

March 4 Primary Election

Early Voting: Feb. 18-28 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Courthouse Annex March 4 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

Pct. 1 Courthouse; Pct. 2. Senior Center; Pct. 3 Civic Center; Pct. 4 Chamber of Commerce

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School Board approves administrator contracts

OZONA, TEXAS

BY MELISSA PERNER THE OZONA STOCKMAN

Crockett County CCSD School Board members extended administrator contracts during the Feb. 19 regular meeting.

After a two and a half hour executive/closed session the board approved contract extensions for OHS Principal Ronny Clayton, OMS Principal Tammy McWilliams, OES Principal Janina Savala, OES Assistant Principal Vicky Munoz, Director of Special and Federal Programs Cheryl Bricken, Athletic Director Edward Perez, Curriculum and District Testing Coordinator Tonya Poindexter and Technology Director Keith Harmsen.

Board member David McWilliams abstained from voting on Tammy McWilliams' contract. Board members Orlando DeHoyos and Roland De-Hoyos voted against Perez's contract.

MAINTENANCE NEEDS

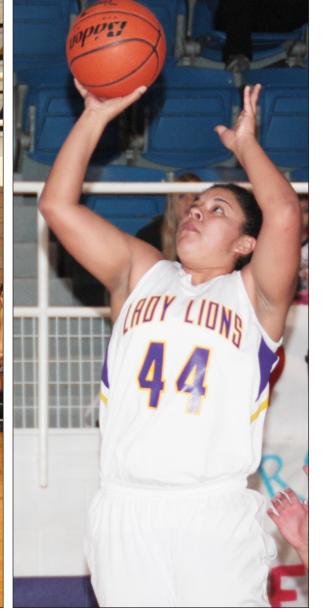
In his Superintendent's report, Raul Chavarria presented the board with a list of needs for the district.

All of the items are within the district's current budget.

> One of the items is PLEASE SEE **BOARD**, PAGE 9

Lady Lions earn **All-District honors**





CHRIS CATNU AND JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN

OHS LADY LIONS LEXI POINDEXTER (left) AND VIVIAN MEDINA were selected to the Second Team All-District Basketball Team for District 8-1A.

Early voting ends Friday, **Election Day Tuesday**

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BY MELISSA PERNER THE OZONA STOCKMAN

Early voting in the March 4 Primary Election ends Friday, Feb. 28. Voters can cast their ballots from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., including the lunch hour.

As of press time Monday ___ ballots had been cast in the Democratic Primary and __ in the Republican Primary.

For the Primary Election voters will have to decide whether to vote in the Democrat or the Republican primary.

County Judge candidates Fred Deaton (incumbent) and Larry Williams, and District and County Clerk candidates Lou Carson and Ninfa Preddy, will be on the Democratic Party ballot.

The biggest local race on the Republican Party ballot is for State Representative of District 53. Candidates vying for a spot on the November General Election ballot are Andrew Murr, of Junction, Rob Henneke, of Kerrville, Karen Harris, of Pipe Creek, Tink Nathan, of Center Point and Wayne Ramsay, of Bandera.

The winner of the November General Election will replace State Rep. Harvey Hilderbran, R-Kerrville, who is running for state comptroller in the Republican Primary against Debra Medina, of Wharton, Glenn Hegar, of Katy, Raul Torres, of Corpus Christi and Mike Collier, of Kingwood.

Also on the Republican



EARLY VOTING

Feb. 18-28

8 a.m.-5 p.m. at the courhouse annex

ELECTION DAY

March 4

7 a.m.-7 p.m. Precinct 1 - Courthouse Precinct 2 - Senior Center Precinct 3 - Civic Center Precinct 4 -

Ozona Chamber of Commerce

Primary ballot are three San Antonio candidates, Francisco "Quico" Canseco, Robert Lowry and Will Hurd, seeking to challenge U.S. Rep. Pete Gallego, D-Alpine, in November. Gallego is not challenged in the Democratic Primary.

In Texas, any registered voter may vote in the primary of any single party, as long as they have not voted in the primary of another party.

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Relay For Life kickoff



CROCKETT COUNTY RELAY FOR LIFE held their annual kickoff event Monday night at the Civic Center. This year's Relay For Life is from 7 p.m.-2 a.m. April 11-12 at Lion Stadium. For more information, visit www.relayforlife.org/crockettcotx.

OZONA TRACK MEETS: OMS THURSDAY; OHS SATURDAY AT LION STADIUM

Former Ozona teacher pleads guilty to improper relationship with a student

A former Ozona teacher has pled guilty to multiple counts of an improper relationship between educator and student.

Autumn Kee Brown, 33, appeared in a Fort Stockton courthouse last week where she was sentenced to seven years deferred adjudication community supervision, 240 hours of community service and ordered to pay \$343 in court costs on three counts of improper relationship between educator and student.

She also pled guilty to a separate count of improper relationship between educator and student where she received five years deferred adjudication community supervision, 240 hours of community service and ordered to pay \$343 court costs. Three counts of attempted improper relationship between educator and student are combined with this cause.

Both probations will run concurrently.

Improper relationship be-



second-degree felony. Brown shall not communicate, make contact or **AUTUMN BROWN** associate

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by any means with the victims, according to court documents. All probationers in the 112th Judicial District have

the option to perform community service or make monthly donations to a local food bank, such as Helping Hands in Ozona. While the court documents do not mention any-

thing about Brown's teaching certification, the State Board of Educator Certification website states she is currently under review by the SBEC Professional Discipline Unit.

This notation on an educator's certificate means that

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Working through the patent and trademark maze

The caller simply asked, "Can you help me with an idea I have for an invention?" My answer was, "Let's meet and I can teach you how to perform a basic web search on the United States Patent and Trademark Office." The appointment was set and I did a mental review of the information I would be sharing at our first one-on-one counseling session.

At the first meeting, I visited with the client about the Small Business Development Center (SBDC) and the wide variety of services we offer. I mentioned that the Center is funded through state and federal tax dollars and that every Center, over 900 across the nation, respects that responsibil ity. All Centers are associated with colleges and universities and Angelo State University is our host institution.

the weekly train-

ing sessions of-

TIPS

I told her about PEGGY ROSSER

BUSINESS



fered at the SBDC for little or no fee, the confidential one-on-one advising which is also offered at no charge, the types of research we have available through SBDCNet, most at no charge, as well as specialty centers which can assist her. I also walked her through what she could expect from the client and advisor relationship. Each time I share this information with a client, it reminds me of the great services the SBDC offers and the resulting economic impact which accompanies it.

Anxious to get started, the client asked about the Patent Office. I reminded her that I am not an accountant, attorney or a lawyer, but I can help her learn about patents so when she does seek that level of assistance, she will have a better understanding of the process.

For the novice, the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) web site is viewed as an unsolvable maze. My goal is to teach my client how to navigate only one small part, the search.

Throughout the search pro-

cess, I printed each screen shot and numbered them in order. I highlighted each link which took us to the next step. About ten screen shot pages later, we have a list of patents which are related to her idea by class and subclass. There might be 50

patents or there might be 300. With the list of patents, the real search begins. We create an Excel sheet to track the patent numbers and make notes. I show her how to check each patent to see how it relates to her idea. The drawings which accompany all patents are a

After we look at a few patents together, we then repeat the entire process once more time using the guide pages. The client leaves the office with a general understanding of the search process. The goal is to let the client discover, that the idea they want to patent, probably already has a patent number.

"BUSINESS TIPS" was written by Peggy Rosser, Rural Business Development Specialist and Certified Business Advisor IV of Angelo State University's Small Business Development Center. Contact her at peggy.rosser@angelo.edu

Keeping our promise to veterans

assing the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013 was critical to taking care of our active-duty military and providing them relief from mindless automatic across-theboard cuts required by the "sequester." Ensuring our sons and daughters in uniform get what they need was a good reason to support the budget deal.

I voted for the budget deal because sequestration has been seriously hurting our national security and our nation's economy.

But in doing activeduty troops immediate good, the budget deal also changed cost-of-living (COLA) adjustments on certain military retirement pensions. The budget vote was a very tough one for me.

Days after passing the budget deal in December, I sponsored legislation to restore these pensions. In January, I wrote the Speaker of the House and key negotiators asking for a vote on the bill I and 95 other Members of Congress sponsored.

My letters called for immediate action. The following week, Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees charged with funding the federal government - offered a fix to COLA adjustments for medically retired personnel and their surviving spouses.

On Tuesday, Feb. 11, the House of Representatives passed the Repealing the Reduction in the Cost of Living Adjustment



GREETINGS FROM WASHINGTON PETE **GALLEGO**

Retired Members of the Armed Services bill. The bill repeals costof-living cuts (COLA) for work-

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tired veterans and passed with robust bipartisan suppo with less than one quarter of the House opposing it. The next day, on Wednesday, Feb. 12, the Senate followed suit and passed

the COLA repeal as well.

I'm glad that Democrats and Republicans, conservatives and progressives in both Chambers of Congress, are continuously working together to advance the interests of our country. Congress has already done more for the American people in the first six weeks of 2014 than it did last year.

My father was a veteran, and I know how much our service members and their families sacrifice for our country. Taking meaningful steps to stop the cuts to our active duty men and women, as well as our veterans and their surviving spouses, was absolutely necessary. We must honor the men and women who served - through real actions and not lip service. After all, actions speak louder than words.

> CONGRESSMAN GALLEGO represents the 23rd District of Texas. Contact him at: http://gallego.house.gov

Shoot The Moon

In other news... did you see where China sent a spaceship to the moon? Although no human has set foot there in 37 years, I think China had a real purpose in going there. Either they were looking for someplace to warehouse all their extra people, or they were looking for someplace with even cheaper labor than their own.

This is the first moon news I've heard since two women Democrats in the House proposed a bill that would make the moon a National Park. I guess the feds haven't already wasted enough money and acquired enough land out west that they can't take care of, so now they are looking for land to disfigure in outer space. The bumbling bureaucrats can't build a web site and now they think they can take care of a land mass 238,857 miles away? The Congresswomen said the purpose of their bill was to allocate money to clean up the mess we made on the moon, which consists of three golf balls, a plaque, and some abandoned vehicles. But that's all that's left of any value in Detroit too and I don't see why we can't waste the money a little closer to home.

Even though we already have a Craters of the Moon National Park in Idaho, the Congresswomen want us to make the moon a National Park to be managed by the Interior Department. I'm sure the good folks in Idaho would rather have the feds turn wolves loose on the moon rather than in their backvard and the Interior



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LEE PITTS

do because the moon's surface already looks like the bleak and desolate land they've desecrated here on earth. And I suppose Forest Service employees could busy themselves driving their moon buggies back and forth from one regional office to another every day, just like they do here.

The more I think about it, perhaps there is merit in the Moon

National Park idea after all. Maybe we should send Congress there on a fact finding mission and then accidentally run out of gas so they can't come home. I think our Congressional pathfinders to the moon will find many similarities between the earth and the moon, for example, you won't be able to keep your own doctor there either. And the barren landscape resembles our national forests after a terrible fire caused by the Interior Department's horrific management. I really do think the Obamas should go on one of their many vacations to the moon because the total cost to us taxpayers can't be as high as their last 17 day vacation to Hawaii was.

There is the slight problem of there being no air to breathe on the moon but Department won't have too much work to I think the D.C. babbling and blathering gasbags and blowhards would create their own wind. Although totally tainted, the moon's bad air would give the idiots at the EPA something else to to do and might keep them out of our hair for awhile.

Hillary could be our ambassador to the moon and she could take along our judges, and all our other criminals to settle the moon, just like convicts did in Australia and Georgia. The moon is a great project for the feds, after all, every animal is endangered there, and talk about climate change! It can get as high as 253 degrees and as cold as minus 243 degrees, which is even colder than most winter days in the Dakotas.

Admittedly, there are some obstacles to our colonization of the moon. We currently don't have regularly scheduled moon trips, but we could hitch a ride with the Chinese, after all, we buy everything else from them. There is also the fact that there's not much water on the moon, but it can't be as dry as it is in California these days. Then there is this: in 1967 we signed an Outer Space Treaty not to colonize the moon. But a treaty is no problem, just ask the Crows, Cheyenne, Navajos, Apaches, Sioux, etc.

The more I think about it the more I think we ought to go ahead and make the moon another National Park, if for no other reason than to show the greenies what happens to a landscape when you don't have any livestock grazing on it for www.LeePittsbooks.com a long time.

Law clarifies where electioneering may occur

STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling | Texas Press Association

AUSTIN — Questions over where you may stand, what you can say and when you can say it arise here and there around Texas at election time. A new law to solve such issues is on the books.

House Bill 259, which took effect when Gov. Rick Perry signed it into law on June 14, 2013, allows political speech outside of the 100-foot zone at public buildings where election polls are located.

The new law trumps local practices that previously may have prevented citizens from engaging in political speech outside of the 100-foot zone. "This change in law protects First Amendment rights by assuring that people are able to express their political views without fear of prosecution or persecution," said state Rep. Ron Simmons, R-Carrollton, primary author of HB 259, in a Feb. 18 statement.

"Language was specifically

included in the bill to authorize reasonable time, place, and manner restrictions on electioneering conducted outside of the 100-foot marker, so long as electioneering is not prohibited altogether," Simmons added. "HB 259 protects some of our nation's most fundamental rights: the freedom of speech and the right to vote."

DPS OFFERS ELECTION ID

On Feb. 18, the first day of early voting in the primary election, the Texas Department of Public Safety publicized a reminder that election identification certificates are available at driver license offices, with select offices open on Saturdays and at mobile stations in select counties.

State law requires voters to present their driver license or suitable photo identification

at the polls prior to voting. There is no fee for the election identification certificate. Information on how to obtain a certificate can be found online at dps.texas.gov or by telephoning (512) 424-2600.

MORE HEALTH FUNDING **COMES**

The state announced the awarding of \$45 million to supplement the amount the 2013 Texas Legislature appropriated for women's health services for use in 2015.

"We're providing women greater access to a broader range of health services in Texas," said Department of State Health Services Commissioner David Lakey on Feb. 14. "These dollars will help women receive the family planning and screening services they need to be healthy."



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CORRECTIONS

Any erroneous reflection upon the character, reputation or standing of any individual, firm or corporation will be corrected when called to the attention of the management by the next issue.

Crockett County Schools celebrating Texas Public Schools week March 3-6

Crockett County CC-SD has a series of activities planned in conjunction with the annual state-wide observance of Texas Public Schools Week.

Great things are happening on our campuses, and we want you to not only be aware of them, but also be a part of them!

MONDAY, MARCH 3

OES - 6 p.m.-Informational meeting on upcoming STAAR Test; 3-5 grade. Parents are strongly urged to attend the session. Facilitator: Tonya Poindexter

TUESDAY, MARCH 4

OES - Muffins for Mom in the cafeteria. Please come have breakfast with your child. 7:30 a.m. first through fifth grade students; 8 a.m.

State Highway 163 (Avenue E)

in Ozona from 1st Street to 8th

street the night of March 2

and continue until 7 p.m. All

work will be completed in

side streets will occur through-

out the day of March 3 in this

closed periodically and traffic

Work will begin at 7 a.m.

Temporary closures of

Various lanes will be

patterns will be altered as the four years.

Street on Monday, March 3.

and all day March 3.

one day.

TxDOT work to impact

traffic in Ozona March 3

of Transportation will be per- are asked to plan for delays

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The Texas Department work is completed. Motorists

Residents in this area spraying a thick application

broom.

been filled.

are asked not to park on the of a rejuvenating agent on

pre-k and kindergarten.

OMS - 6-7 p.m. Parents and community members are invited to an Interactive Open House. Come participate in some live middle school lessons and activities.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5

OES - Donuts for Dads in the cafeteria. Please come and have breakfast with your child. 7:30 a.m. first through fifth grade students; 8 a.m. pre-k and kindergarten.

OMS - 12:40-1:10 p.m. -All Public Servants and Community Helpers Current/Retired, First Responders, and Helpers (CCCCSD employees/court employees, Sheriff's Office, Court House and County Commissioners, and Elected Officials) Reception. Let us treat you and thank you for all you do for us.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 6

OES - Goodies for Grandparents in the cafeteria! Please come and have breakfast with your grandchild. 7:30 a.m. first through fifth grade students; 8 a.m. pre-k and kindergarten.

6-7 p.m. - Read Across America. Come listen to a variety of stories read by community members and staff.

OES is needing people to donate books to us for this event. This is so the students will be able to take a book home with them that evening. For more information, call Misty Jurado, parent liaison, 392-5501 ext. 5743.

7 p.m. - First Grade Read Across America Program.

OHS will not be having any evening activities this week due to their athletic schedule.

Wellness

Center

Social

Fund-Raiser

March 10

Health and Wellness Center

is having a Social Fund-Rais-

er at 6 p.m. March 10 at the

food for sale and a draw-

ing for a 32-inch TV and two

can be purchased at the Vil-

lage Drug or by calling Nila

Kelley at 392-3546 or Shirley

Civic Center.

\$50 gift cards.

The Crockett County

There will be prizes,

Tickets are \$1 each and

Sanchez named top performer of the week

Howard Payne sophomore pitcher Adrienne Sanchez posted a 1.56 ERA



ADRIENNE SANCHEZ

in nine innings pitched for the Lady Jackets versus Mary Hardin-Baylor.

She held her opponents to a .185 batting average from the plate, giving up just two runs.

Adrienne was named as one of the American Southwest Conference Top Performances on the Mound this week.

Adrienne is a 2012 OHS graduate and the daughter of Leticia and Harvey Sanchez, of Ozona.

She is majoring in physical therapy.

Community

es will be held from 5-5:45 p.m. Tuesdays at the Ozona Middle School Library.

Tammy McWilliams. Anyone interested, young or old, are

"I can help beginners that need to learn chords or help someone that knows a little but wants to learn more," McWilliams said.

For more information,

guitar lessons **Tuesdays**

Community Guitar Class-

welcome to attend.

call McWilliams at (325) 226-

They will be taught by



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Wednesday, Feb. 26

- OHS Lions Golf in Reagan County Tournament at Big Lake. • Early voting in the Primary Elections, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at the courthouse annex.
- Exercise class, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- National Honor Society Induction, 11 a.m. at the OHS Auditorium.
- Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center. • Prayer Group, 3 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes, 7:15 p.m. at OHS Davidson Gym.

Thursday, Feb. 27

- OHS Lady Lions Softball at the Junction Tournament.
- OHS Lions Baseball in the Ozona Tournament at the OHS Baseball Field. • Early voting in the Primary Elections, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at the courthouse annex.
- Ouilting, 9:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Tai-Chi exercies, 2 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- OMS Track Meet, 4 p.m. at Lion Stadium.

Friday, Feb. 28

- OHS Lady Lions Softball at the Junction Tournament.
- OHS Lady Lions Powerlifting at the Regional Meet in Mertzon.
- OHS Lions Baseball in the Ozona Tournament at the OHS Baseball Field. • Early voting in the Primary Elections, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at the courthouse annex.
- Exercise Classes, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.

Saturday, March 1

- OHS Lady Lions Softball at the Junction Tournament.
- OHS Track Meet, 9 a.m. at Lion Stadium.

Monday, March 3

- OHS Lady Lions Golf at Sonora Meet.
- Exercise class, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- OHS Lions Baseball vs. Wall, 4:30 p.m. at Wall.
- STAAR Test Parent Meeting for grades 3-5, 6 p.m. at the elementary school.
- Youth Baseball and T-Ball sign ups, 6-7:30 p.m. at the north baseball fields.

Tuesday, March 4

- Primary Election Day, 7 a.m.-7 p.m. Precinct 1 Courthouse; Precinct 2 Senior Center; Precinct 3 Civic Center; Precinct 4 Chamber Visitor Center.
- Muffins for Mom, 7:30 a.m. 1-5 grades; 8 a.m. pre-k and kindergarten at the
- OES Cafeteria.
- OHS Lions Golf at Sonora Meet.
- Tai-Chi exercises, 2 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Community Guitar Lessons, 5-5:45 p.m. at the OMS Library.
- OHS Lady Lions Softball vs. Sonora, 5:30 p.m. at the OHS Softball Field.
- OMS Interactive Open House, 6-7 p.m. at the middle school.
- Youth Baseball and T-Ball sign ups, 6-7:30 p.m. at the north baseball fields.

Wednesday, March 5

• Donuts for Dads, 7:30 a.m. 1-5 grades; 8 a.m. pre-k and kindergarten at the OES Cafeteria.

- Exercise class, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Public Servants and Community Helpers, First Responders and Helpers Reception, 12:45-1:10 p.m. at middle school.
- Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Prayer Group, 3 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes, 7:15 p.m. at OHS Davidson Gym.
- Youth Baseball tryouts, 7:30 p.m. at the north baseball fields.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Feb. 26 - Jose E. Mata, Christian Kaleb Fuentes and

Camille Allen Feb. 27 - Paula Ramirez and Jonathan Tambunga

Feb. 28 - Sydney Knaack, Krislynn Harris, Brenda Venegas, Desiree Marshall and Alfredo Lopez

March 1 - Doug Williams, Jadie Marshall, Belia Castro Garza, Anthony D. Hester-Smith, and Kiwi Davis

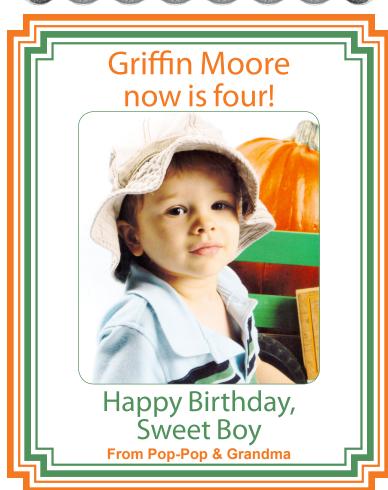
March 2 - Marta De La Garza, Dempster Campbell,

Michael Flores, J.R. Ramirez, Sandra Tambunga and Caitlin Mendoza

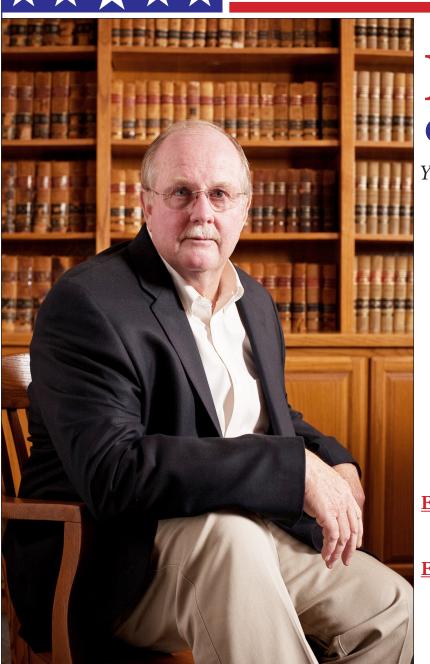
March 3 - Jordan Long, Ruth Hester, Ann Ramos, Diane Anderson, Babe Perez. Alfred Gonzalez, Lloyd Winkley, Harold Thompson, Ricardo Meza and Melanie

Miller March 4 - Travis Knaack, Adriene McClanahan, Vanessa Rodriguez, Mia Mendoza, Leigh Ann Galindo and Mary





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Fred Deaton Crockett County Judge

Your vote and support is greatly appreciated!

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Vote.

Early Vote:

February 18th-28th **Court House Annex**

Election Day:

Precinct #1 Precinct #2 Precinct #3

Precinct #4

Tuesday – March 4th Court House

Senior Citizens Building Civic Center

Visitor's Center

Political advertisement paid for by Fred Deaton for Crockett County Judge Campaign, P.O. Box 1087, Ozona, Texas 76943

HELPING HANDS NEWS

Helping Hands is in need of volunteers to deliver meals to the elderly.

If you have some time, or need some community service for school, come by or call (325) 392-5026.

For applications, call Weldon Nicks at (325) 392-3600.

FEBRUARY 26

·Beef steak fingers, mashed potatoes, cream gravy, yellow squash, wheat bread, fruit cup with oranges. **FEBRUARY 27**

·Barbecue beef, Ranch Style Beans, hot fruit compote, orange slice, coleslaw, hamburger bun and two percent milk.

FEBRUARY 28

·Potato crisp fish, sliced potatoes, green beans, wheat roll, orange zephyr whip and two percent milk.

Brisket plate sale Thursday

Iglesia Bautista Nueva Vida at the corner of Secretariat and Man-O-War is selling barbecue brisket plates at 11 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 27.

Brisket plates will have potato salad, rice, beans, onions, pickles, bread, cupcake and tea for \$8.50.

All proceeds will go toward Missions.

To place an order, call (325) 226-8053 or (325) 392-3095.



A.F. & A.M. Regular meeting on 1st Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

If you want someone to agree with you in prayer, send your prayer requests to: The Prayer Box P.O. Box 733 Ozona, TX 76943.

CARE CENTER CHATTER

BY ODILIA SANCHEZ ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR

VALENTINE/BIRTHDAY **PARTY**

The residents and staff celebrated February birthdays and Valentine's Day on Feb. 14. Birthdays were Aurora Gutierrez and Betty Harrell. Congratulations to the King and Queen, Mutt Carnes and Belia Gonzales. We had a full house and had lots of wonderful goodies to eat.

The chocolate covered strawberries and marshmallows were delicious, thanks to Marta De La Garza. Thanks to all the staff that helped.

SING ALONG WITH AUDREY

Some of the residents and staff gathered around the tables and Audrey Glynn taught us a second version of "Let Me Call You Sweetheart" while others worked on crafts. Everyone enjoyed it.

ACTIVITIES

The ladies at the Care Center worked on making Valentines for decorating one of the bulletin boards and also giving to the residents.

They had a wonderful time visiting with each other and coming up with really cute ideas for the valentines. They had help from the staff and visitors.

Since the men aren't really into making valentines, they have been working on projects that are a little more to their liking, such as sanding boards and hammering.

It looks interesting, we will just have to wait and see what the finished product will be. I'll let you know next month.

VALENTINE HELP

Thanks to Josie and Leslie Mendoza for helping us out with the Valentine holders for the residents' rooms. Because of their help, we were able to finish them a week ahead of schedule.

Thanks to Peggy Wellman for bringing the Valentine treats for the residents. Thanks to Rosario Sanchez for the candy for all the residents and staff.

We really appreciate all the people in the community who come and spend time with the residents.

We have two ladies, Lina and Yolanda, who provide cheese and peanut butter crackers for the residents every time we play Bingo.

We also appreciate Jackie Hopkins for continuing to come and help us with Bingo and visit with the residents.

We also appreciate the churches and pastors who come and share the Word of God, Communion, and prayer with the residents.

Some of the residents love to sing the old they grew up with and this is a great blessing for them. Being able to have all this here is very important to them since they are not physically able to attend church services outside of the Care Center.

"So let us not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will reap the harvest of blessings if we don't give up." Galatians 6:9

MARCH BIRTHDAYS/ ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY

We are making plans for our very next party Monday, March 17.

We hope to have all the decorations up and more than likely, someone will dress up in green for the oc-

SQUIRREL IN THE NURSING HOME

By Marvine Byrnes They went to a room and then both nurses came running out, yelling. What's wrong, another one asked. They replied, there is something in that room.

I saw it run across the floor. Oh, there is nothing in there, you must be seeing

things.

No, no! I saw it running across the floor right in front of me. The second nurse goes in the room ans says, see there is nothing here.

You must be seeing things. A squirrel is in the nursing home! No way, the second nurse said, going back to work.

The second goes to check on another lady whose light was going on. As she came to the door, the lady ran into her yelling, there is something in there.

I saw it go across the floor. Sue, another nurse, came up asking, what is wrong?

They answered her, there is a squirrel in there, pointing to the door. She goes in and looks around.

Seeing nothing, she started out the door and then it ran in front of her. She screamed and ran into the other nurses.

Did you see it? It's a squirrel, I tell you! One got a broom and said, open the door. They opened the door and she saw something run past her.

She began hitting the floor and anything that was in her way. They all go screaming and running down the hall.

Meanwhile, Mommy squirrel ran out the door as it opened, before anyone saw her. At home she tells her kids and Dad squirrel.

I went looking for a place for Mom. It had a nice room and I smelled food, so I knew it had food.

All of a sudden, a lady came in screaming. I knew I had to leave. Mom would not like all that screaming. Then someone had a broom and was trying to hit me.

When the door opened, I ran out. All that screaming would drive anyone crazy. We will just take care of her here. No one could put up with that screaming. I just wanted to find a place for Mom.

OBITUARIES

Ida 'Belle' Burks

Ida "Belle" Burks, 77, passed away on Feb 17, 2014 at Hendricks Medical Center in Abilene, Texas.

She is survived by three sons, Guinn Burks and wife Brenda of Crane, Texas, Travis Burks and wife Bridget of Twenty-Nine Palms, Calif., Scotty Burks and wife Shelia of Round Rock, Texas and daughter Peggy Bullard, of Abilene, Texas; five grandsons, four granddaughters, three great-grandsons and three great-granddaughters.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Ida Mae Downs, one son, Wayne Wood, three sisters and one brother.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 1, at the Ozona Church of Christ. Her remains will be given to the family.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the ASPCA or animal shelter as she loved cats and dogs.

Sue Ellen Black Crawford

Sue Ellen Black Crawford was born Oct. 3, 1963 in Ozona, Texas. She died Feb. 19, 2014 at age 50, at home, surrounded by family.

Ellie Sue, as she was called by many, including her grandchildren, grew up in a ranching family, learning early to appreciate that way of life.

She attended school in Ozona, graduating from OHS, then from Sul Ross University, as an elementary teacher. In 1985 she married Brad Wilson, graduated from college and moved to Arthur Co., in the Sandhills of Nebraska. There her three girls, Weslee, Wendy and Whitney were born.

For several years Sue Ellen taught school as the only teacher in a one room school house on the Wilson Ranch.

She later moved back to Ozona and began teaching second grade, loving her students as if they were her own children. In 1998, she married Terry Crawford.

Sue Ellen loved life and fought a six year battle against ovarian cancer. She defied the prognosis of her doctors many times. With the support and care of her husband, Terry, she survived beyond their expectations. Her family, friends and the community in general, were also a large part of her support group.

A heartfelt thanks to Dr. Sims, Dr. Ike and the nurses



in the Clinic for their encouragement and care during her lengthy illness. Dear friend, Vicki Childress and Anna Fitzgerald were her care takers with Hospice.

Sue Ellen is survived by husband, Terry Crawford, daughters Weslee Beck, husband Tyson of Ainsworth, Neb., Wendy Merritt, husband Zack, children Maddie and Maysen, of Sutherland, Neb., Whitney Wilson of Goodwell, Okla., Lyndsie Crawford Luna, husband John Ray, children Hadley, Hailei and Holly, Gage Crawford, daughter Hannah, Jayben Ails of San Angelo, parents Bill and Susie Black, brother and sister-in-law Will M. and Vickie Black, children Murphey and Allie of Ozona.

Services were Saturday, Feb. 22, 2014 at the Ozona United Methodist Church, in Ozona.

Pallbearers were Louis Bunger, Rusty Bishop, Ed Hale, Les Hale of Ozona, Mickey Davidson of Big Lake, Kelly Wilson of Arthur, Neb.

OZONA SENIOR HAPPENINGS

Identity theft talk March 18

BY BRENDA NEWTON

SENIOR CENTER DIRECTOR

We have a real treat two days this week. I am really sorry some of you missed it. First Eddie Martin came on Tuesday morning and talked to us about 911 and what we need to have available at our homes when it is necessary to call 911. He was so informative and the ones that came they learned a lot from him. I know I did. Then Casey Upham came on Thursday morning and talked to us about insurance. Wow, it was really food for thought.

There are so many kinds of insurance and each one has its own rules. The most important thing about any insurance is to check it out often to make sure you are properly covered. Call your insurance agent and go over your coverage. What was good when you bought it, just might not be enough now with our property values rising every day. You will be sorry if you do not update your policy and something happens.

Renee Pearl is coming on March 18 to talk to us about Identity Theft. This is a subject that could be very serious to us all. I just talked to a lady this morning that had it happen to her. It is scary to even think it could happen to you. Come see what you can do to prevent it from happening.

We have had a few come in to try the new tape here It is for balance and mobility. It moves really slowly like Yoga but you do not have to get on the floor. You stand and sit for the exercise. I really think any of you that would like to exercise but do like to get too serious would love to do these exercises. We will be doing these exercises on Tuesday and Thursday at 2 p.m. Come try it out! The regular exercises is still going on so look below for the dates and times and come see us.

If there is something you would like to have started at the center, please let me know and I will try to make it happen.

The Concho Valley Community Action will be coming the first week in March for your help with electricity and such. They did not tell me exactly which day, so watch the paper and I will tell you exactly when.

I cannot get them all to come make the trip just to talk to me. You have to come and listen to what they have to say or they will not keep coming.

Don't forget the trade table.

Exercise 9 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Bridge Monday afternoons at 1:30 p.m. Balance exercise Tuesday and Thursday at 2 p.m. Mexican Train 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday. Prayer Group Wednesday at 3 p.m. Quilting is Thursday mornings at 9:30

Come on out, the coffee is on.

a.m.

called Tai-Chi by Scott Cole.

A HEALTHY BREAKFAST

Doctors and health nutritionists highly recommend that we do not skip breakfast and that we eat a healthy one. It gives us strength, helps us concentrate and provides energy. It also helps us in weight control or keeps us from pigging out at lunch or the nearby buffet. If we eat no breakfast or an unhealthy breakfast like a soft drink and a large candy bar we may find ourselves in a midmorning slump or blues. Thinking about a good healthy breakfast reminds me of something in the Bible. God created us more than just physical bodies, we also have a soul and spirit, (Genesis 1:26&27, Mark 12:29&30, Hebrews 4:12, 1 Thessalonians 5:23). When we die physically our bodies stay here and soul and spirit departs and goes elsewhere, (Genesis 35:18&19, Matthew 10:28)). Our physical bodies have needs like food, rest, exercise and even work, just as our souls have special needs. Just as food is for the physical body the Word of God, the Bible, is for the soul, (Matthew 4:4). We are told to take care of our bodies but to especially watch out and take care of our souls, (Deuteronomy 4:9). We can neglect or not take care of our souls and they can be sickly or puny, (Psalm 63:1). If we take care of like feeding on the word of God, prayer, worship and forsaking sin we will have a healthy soul, (3 John 2). See you in Church next Sunday.

First Baptist Church

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting - 6 p.m.

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.

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.

Calvary Baptist Church 601 Ave. I Pastor Dan E. Sledge

Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Sunday Worship: 6 p.m. Wednesday Worship: 6 p.m.

New Beginnings Church

701 9th Street **Pastor Carlos Cantu** Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Wednesday: 7 p.m.

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.

Faith Lutheran Church 802 1st St.

Pastor Tom Baden Worship: Sunday - 7 p.m. Bible Class: Sunday - 6 p.m.

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.

Attend the Church of your choice

2121 Santa Rosa St. Pastor Ruth & Gerson Posadas Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11:00 a.m., 6:00 p.m.

Ozona United

Methodist Church

12 - 11th St.

Pastor Jean Reardon

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

Worship: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

Templo Siloe

Assembly of God Church

Wed. Family Service: 6:30 p.m.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help 219 Martinez St. Fr. Nilo Nalugon

Sun. Mass: 9 a.m. in Sheffield; 11 a.m. in Ozona EverySecond Sunday of the Month: Sun. Mass: 9 a.m. in Ozona; 11 a.m. in Sheffield Tues. - Sat. Mass: 6 p.m.

Apostolic Church 307 Santa Rosa St. Rev. Refugio Vega

Sunday School: 3 p.m. Sunday Worship: 4 p.m. Tues & Thur. Service: 7:00 p.m.

Iglesia de Cristo Hwy 163 S. at Quail Run Interim - Ray Valadez

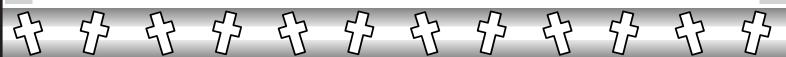
this Sunday. Sunday Bible Study: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m.

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NEWS

Southwest Texas Electric Cooperative named Business of the Month

BY SHANON BIGGERSTAFF OZONA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Southwest Texas Electric Cooperative (SWTEC) was chartered in 1941 and serves all or parts of 13 counties in West Texas. The total service territory exceeds 7,000 square miles and the cooperative serves 9,500 meters with over 5,200 miles of power line.

Southwest Texas Electric Cooperative's headquarters are in Eldorado, Texas but the cooperative maintains warehouses in Ozona and Big Lake, Texas. With over 45 employees, SW-TEC has supplied safe and economical electricity for nearly 70 years. As an electric cooperative, the members they serve, own the cooperative, with each member having a vote to decide who represents them on an elected board of directors.

SWTEC employees in Ozona include Harold Thompson, Robert Flores, Tim Porras, Nate Harris and David



SOUTHWEST TEXAS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE EMPLOYEES: (left to right) Harold Thompson, Gilbert Silva, Tim Porras, Robert Flores and David Tirado.

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In addition to providing electric power to the residences, ranches, and oilfield of West Texas, SWTEC has several certified electricians who can do work for residential and industrial members. Please call the cooperative for details.

Southwest Texas Electric Cooperative would like to thank its members for their patience during the ice event that hit our system days prior to Thanksgiving. The cooperative suffered the loss of over 500 poles from an area extending from Menard to Fort Stockton.

members understandvery about the severe ing damage our system experienced" noted Eddie Albin, manager of consumer services. "Our employees worked very long hours two weeks straight in order to restore our system. Additionally, we had over 100 contractors helping restore the damaged power lines. We are fortunate to have a great group of members that understood our efforts to restore power as safely and quickly as possible."

Southwest Texas Electric Cooperative can be reached at (325) 853-2544 or by our toll free number at 1-800-643-3980. The cooperative's website is at www. swtec.com.

The Chamber of Commerce would like to recognize Southwest Texas Electric Cooperative for their efforts to provide quality service in addition to being an added asset to the local business community.

VOTE FOR District County Clerk HONEST, **RELIABLE & INTEGRITY** 20 years experience in clerk's office I appreciate your consideration. **EARLY VOTING:** Feb. 18, 2014 — Feb. 28, 2014 Election Day - March 4, 2014

Cathy and Bill Carson February 24, 2014

We are writing in support of Deputy Clerk Lou Carson for Crockett County District and County Clerk and Judge Fred Deaton for Crockett County Judge. The ability to lead, organize and assist the citizens of our county is best exemplified by a man of Judge Deaton's character and ethical abilities as well as the fact that he gets the job done. He deserves every ones support both in early voting and the March 4 Primary election.

As Court Administrator for the 112TH District Court not only was I privileged to work for two outstanding judges with Judge Brock Jones and Judge Pete Gomez, but I also worked with 5 District Clerks and their staffs in Crockett, Pecos, Reagan, Sutton and Upton Counties. They are all true professionals. The stand out office will always be our District and County Clerk's office right here in Ozona. All clerks' offices, lawyers, judges, court reporters and anyone filing within the court system in Texas will be required to E-File within the next four years. Court Reporters are required to E-File with the Appeals Courts as of January I, 2014. Lou is very well educated in all of these procedures. She knows what to do in any situation that arises in the clerk's office from finding the right file to organizing dockets and getting the jury lists from the Secretary of State's office to conducting an election. There is much more required of this position, and Lou Carson (No Relation) possesses the knowledge, professionalism and most importantly the high ethical standards to get the job done.

Please join Bill and I in supporting two people who are already honoring their professions in the manner the citizens of Crockett County deserve. Vote for Judge Fred Deaton for Crockett County Judge and Lou Carson for Crockett County District and County Clerk. Thank you.

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AARP free tax preparation March 8 in Eldorado

The Schleicher County Resource Center in Eldorado will sponsor the AARP Free Income Tax Preparation on Saturday, March 8, at the library/extension offices at 201-2012 S.W. Main Street in Eldorado.

Doors will open at 9 a.m. Appointments will be assigned starting with that time. The last appointment will be scheduled for 3 p.m.

This is a one day only event and only in Eldorado for people of any age in the area, including Eldorado, Mertzon, Ozona and Sonora.

To make an appointment, call Patsy at (325) 853-2574. Leave a message with a phone number. Appointments can also be made in person at The Resource Center, 105 West Callendar in Eldorado.

Anyone not able to go to Eldorado that day can visit the Adult Literacy Office at 59 E. 6th St. in San Angelo. This free service is available from 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays.

Calvary Lutheran Church, at 3231 College Hills in San Angelo, will also be providing free tax help by appointment only on Wednesdays.

To make an appointment, e-mail taxaide@suddenlink.

Sonora hosting weather event Sonora Main Street and · 1-3 p.m. (first respond-

the NOAA will be hosting a Weather Program at the Sonora High School Auditorium on March 19.

Schedule of events: · 10 a.m. - noon (students) ers, childcare givers, school officials, and general public) Possible accreditation course for C.E.U.s

Meals available at Sonora High School.

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Health care enrollment information Thursday

Disability Connections Resource Center will be in Ozona Thursday to provide information on the Affordable Health Care Act.

Representatives will be at the Crockett County Public Library from 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

They will be on hand to

help people go through the enrollment process. Open enrollment ends March 31.

People need to bring their social security cards, immigration papers. if not a U.S. Citizen, photo ID and any income records.

For more information, call 1-877-233-4965.



An open letter to Rob Henneke from Andrew Murr...

Dear Mr. Henneke,

Over the course of this Republican primary election for state representative, I have done my dead level best to run my campaign with integrity and to honestly discuss the issues. In the final days of this race, you have chosen a different path, one that is all too common in politics today.

Your gross mischaracterization of my record as Kimble County Judge can only mean one of two things; either you simply don't understand county budgeting because of your lack of executive experience, or you are willfully attempting to mislead the people of this district about me and my record.

You, sir, have not led a county to cut its budget by almost a third. You have not led a county that has maintained one of the lowest tax rates in all of Texas. And you have not led a debt-free county with no future pension obligations.

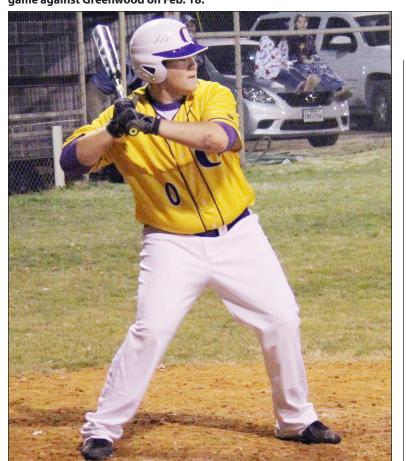
I have done these things. That is my record and I am standing on it before the citizens. If you have no record or resume of your own to tout, so be it. But misrepresenting my record and impugning my character before the good people of this district is transparent and is no substitute for a true achievement. At a time when the public's confidence in the honesty and integrity of our public institutions is at an all-time low, we simply cannot afford to elect someone to office who would willfully mislead the very people whom he or she aspires to represent.

We have a responsibility to God, our families, and our neighbors to leave this small piece of Texas better than we found it. So for the sake of your boys, my son and the next generation of Hill Country families, I am calling on you to stop the win-at-all-cost negative campaign tactics. Rob, I wish to serve as our next State Representative as much as you do, but remember that winning a campaign while losing your integrity in the process is a hollow victory indeed.

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JUAN MENDEZ THROWS THE BALL HOME during the JV Lions first home game against Greenwood on Feb. 18.



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN JONATAN ARREDONDO IS AT BAT for the varsity Lions in their Feb. 18 season opener against Greenwood.

Lions Golf fourth at Robert Lee

The OHS Lions Golf Team placed fourth at the Robert Lee Invitational on Feb. 17.

Team standings -1. Wall, 304; 2. Iraan, 353; 3. Christoval, 366; 4. Ozona, 388; 5. Merkel, 411; 6. Winters, 427; 7. Robert Lee, 434;

8. Highland, 443; 9. Westbrook, 441; 10. Hawley, 451; 11. Rising Star, 488; 12. Blackwell, 508.

Ozona – Alex Hopper, 88; Michael Hill, 94; Zack Taylor, 103; Weston Seahorn, 103; Dalan Wilson, 106.

OMS Students of the Week







Wendy Mata

OES Students of the Week







Ty Davis

Lions compete in La Pryor Tourney

The Ozona Lions Baseball team traveled to La Pryor Texas for a three day tournament this past weekend.

"We played well throughout the tournament going 1-2 in the three games," said Coach Ray Talamantes.

The Lions first game was against Antonian JV out of San Antonio.

"We played a very good defensive game but could not produce any runs losing the game 1-0 in 6 innings," Talamantes said. "Senior Emilio Mendez pitched a great game giving up only two hits the entire game."

The second game was Friday afternoon against La Pryor JV. Ozona won 19-8.

The final game was played Saturday afternoon against Crystal City's varsity team.

"We got good pitching from junior Chase De-Hoyos and a good offensive day from Senior Saul Vargas. Unfortunately we could not pull out the victory losing the game after time had expired in the 4th inning 9-8,"

Talamantes said. "It was an overall good weekend for our team. We saw some different competition and we competed. I think this weekend will help us down the road."

The Lions lost to Midland Greenwood 10-7 on Feb. 18. Pitching - Freshmen Aiden Fierro; Catcher - Tommy

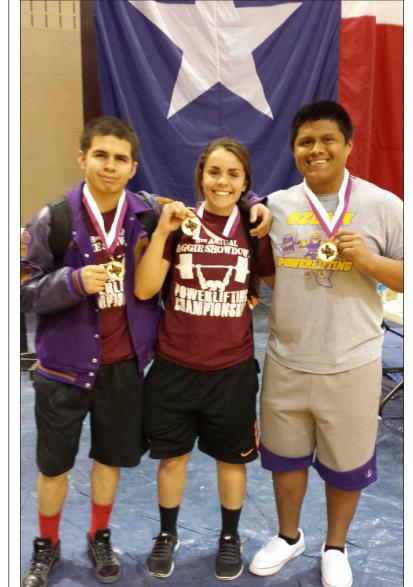
"Our season opener against Midland Greenwood was a good one. Although we did not come up victorious we did play a very good game. I saw a lot of good things from our team," Talamantes said.

Senior Evan Raymond was 2 for 4 with 1 RBI and 1 run scored.

Fierro also did well in his first varsity game, Talamantes said. He went 4 innings and

ended his night with 5 strike-

The Lions will compete in the Ozona Tournament Thursday, Feb. 27, and Friday, Feb. 28, at the OHS Baseball Field.



OHS POWERLIFTING MEDALISTS (left to right) Michael Vargas, Nicole Higgins and Hazael Damian at the Texas A&M Aggies showdown in College Station. All first place qualifying totals high school nationals.



OZONA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TOURED THE CAMPUS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT SAN ANTONIO LAST WEEK.

CHRIS CANTU | SUBMITTED PHOTO

Youth Center Calendar of Events

7TH & 8TH GRADE:

Tuesday: 7-10 p.m.; Wednesday: 2-7 p.m.; Saturday: 7-10 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL:

Monday: 7-10 p.m.; Tuesday: 2-7 p.m.; Wednesday: 7-10 p.m.; Thursday: 2-10 p.m.;

Friday: 2 p.m.-midnight and Saturday: 2-7 p.m.

CLOSED SUNDAYS

OHS MEAL NIGHT: Mondays - 7-10 p.m.

7TH AND 8TH **MEAL NIGHTS:** Every other Tuesday 7-10 p.m.

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The Ozona High School Band is heading to Branson, Missouri

trip, with our very own Ozona Lion Band being the opening act for many headliners!

Entry fees are paid for by the school district from the band budget, but all the students are required to pay their portion of the trip. Likewise, the Band Boosters Organization* is currently raising funds

For an educational, as well as fun filled through fund raisers and donations to $\sqrt{}$ pay for the charter bus which will carry the children.

> If you as a company or as an individual would like to make a donation to sponsor "the Ride," a specific student or to a general fund to help all students it would be greatly appreciated!!

To make a donation, you can contact any of the Bank Booster Officers.

Susan Bilano - 325-226-4472 Mark Galindo - 325-226-5347

Cheryl Galindo - 325-226-5348 Ana Knaack - 325-226-4265

Band Director: Chans.moellendorf@ozonaschools.net

Names of any company or individual who made donations will appear in The Ozona Stockman on June, 4, 2014.



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Lions win Comanche Relays

The OHS Lions Track Team won the 70th annual Comanche Relays Saturday in Fort Stockton.



OMERO RODRIGUEZ won both the 1600 meter and the 3200 meter runs at the Comanche Relays held Feb. 22 in Fort Stockton.

Team Totals for the Boys Division II category: 1. Ozona, 144 points; 2. Andrews JV, 81.5; 3. Midland Christian JV, 75; 4. Sonora JV, 40; 5. (tie) Balmorhea; and Wink, 39; 7. Presidio JV, 34; 8. Buena Vista, 31; 9. Iraan, 27; 10. Marfa, 26; 11. Fort Stockton JV, 24; 12. San AngeloLake View JV, 16; 13. Monahans JV, 13; 14. Comstock, 11; 15. Alpine JV, 8.5; 16. Kermit JV, 6; 17. Crane JV, 4.

High jump: 4. Tyler Galindo, 5-6.

Triple jump: 1. Bryce Gutierrez, 40-3; 5. Ricky Porras, 36-7.

Long jump: 3. Ryan Porras, 18-3.25; 6. Chris Cantu, 17-3.75.

3,200: 1. Omero Rodriguez, 10 minutes, 29.45 seconds; 4. Adrian Rodriguez, 11:20.37; 6. Alex Hopper, Ozona, 11:34.77.

400 relay: 1. Ricky Porras, Ryan Porras, Ben Badillo and Tyler Galindo, 46.68.

800: 1. Bryce Gutierrez,

110 hurdles: 5. Bryce Martin, 18.72.

100: 1. Chris Cantu,

800 relay: 1. Ryan Porras, Tyler Galindo, Juan Rodriguez and Chris Cantu, 1:38.28.

400: 2. Jonathan Focha,

200: 6. Juan Rodriguez,

1,600: 1. Omero Rodriguez, 4:47.78; 4. Adrian Rodriguez, 5:12.52; 6. Alex Hopper, 5:24.46.

1,600 relay: 1. Ryan Porras, Bryce Gutierrez, Ben Badillo and Omero Rodriguez,

The OHS Lady Lions competed in the Sonora Tourna-

ment over the weekend. The tournament started

Friday with 55 minute pool

"The Lady Lions used this type of format to see a lot of

OZONA MIDDLE SCHOOL RELAYS

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, Feb. 27

3:00 p.m. Scratch Meeting in Field House

FIELD EVENTS

4:00 p.m. - Pole Vault - 8G, 8B, 7G, 7B

Long Jump - 7G, 7B, 8G, 8B (Northeast Pit)

Triple Jump - 7B, 7G, 8B, 8G (Northwest Pit)

Shot Put - 8B, 7B, 7G, 8G (South Ring)

Discus - 7G, 8G, 8B, 7B (North Ring)

High Jump - 8B, 7B, 8G, 7G

5:45 p.m. - 2400-meter run

6:30 p.m. - Running begins when field events are over

400-meter relay - 7G, 8G, 7B, 8B

800-meter dash - 7G, 8G, 7B, 8B

100-meter hurdles - 7G, 8G

110-meter hurdles - 7B, 8B

100-meter dash - 7G, 8G, 7B, 8B

800-meter relay - 7G, 8G, 7B, 8B

400-meter dash - 7G, 8G, 7B, 8B

300-meter hurdles - 7G, 8G, 7B, 8B

200-meter dash - 7G, 8G, 7B, 8B

1600-meter run - 7G, 8G, 7B, 8B

1600-meter relay - 7G, 8G, 7B, 8B

OZONA HIGH SCHOOL LION RELAYS

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, March 1

8:00 a.m. Scratch Meeting in Field House

9:00 a.m. - 3200-meter run - Varsity Girls, JV Boys, Varsity Boys

9:30 a.m. Field Events

Shot Put (South Ring)

Triple Jump (Northwest Pit)

Varsity Boys

Varsity Girls

Varsity Boys

Varsity Girls

JV Boys

JV Boys

Sprint Relay will start one hour after field events

(ROLLING SCHEDULE)

400-meter relay - Varsity Girls, JV Boys, Varsity Boys

800-meter dash - Varsity Girls, JV Boys, Varsity Boys

100-meter hurdles - Varsity Girls

110-meter hurdles- JV Boys, Varsity Boys

100-meter dash - Varsity Girls, JV Boys, Varsity Boys

800-meter relay - Varsity Girls, JV Boys, Varsity Boys

400-meter dash - Varisty Girls, JV Boys, Varsity Boys

300-meter hurdles - Varsity Girls, JV Boys, Varsity Boys

200-meter dash - Varsity Girls, JV Boys, Varsity Boys

1600-meter run - Varsity Girls, JV Boys, Varsity Boys

Pole Vault

Varsity Boys

Varsity Girls

JV Boys

Discus (North Ring)

Long Jump (Northeast Pit)

Varsity Girls

Varsity Boys

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High Jump

Varsity Girls

Varsity Boys

JV Boys

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JV Boys

play games.

lows some of our players to play different positions and it allows me (the coach) to see what combination of players play best together - success in team sports depends so much with team chemistry," said Coach Butch Gonzalez. "Right now the girls are still

learning that whether you are

on the field or not there are still roles you have to play

and things you can do to help

the team, but the good thing

players in different positions

and combinations to try and

solidify their starting nine. I

like this type of format ear-

ly in the season because it al-

is they are willing to learn." After pool play the Lady Lions came out 1-2-1.

"By the last game on Friday night I had a good feeling about our set 9 and the girls played a good game against a very reputable Center Point team who was a regional semifinalist last year and beat them 7-1," Gonzalez said.

On Saturday the Lady Lions started and ended the day with two strong wins as they defeated Mason 19-1 and Miles 10-7.

The Lady Lions tied the Lady Bulldogs, 7-7, the day before in pool play.

In the Mason game, Kamryn Lozano was pitcher and Madison Childress catcher.

Runs scored: Childress 2; Lexi Poindexter 3; Kelly Sewell 1; Asia Lara 3; Bobbie Jo Vargas 3; Azaylea Tovar 3; Bethany Martinez 1; Paige Lewis 1; Vivian Medina 1 and Samantha De La Garza 1

De La Garza would have a total of two home runs in the tournament.

In the Miles game, De La Garza and Martinez pitched and catcher was Childress.

Runs scored: Childress 1; Poindexter 2; Lozano 2; Lara 1; Vargas 1; Tovar 1; Martinez 1; Lewis; Sewell 1.

"I like the way our team is competing and playing at this early point of the season. I believe, with the team chemistry, we are developing and the effort the girls are giving we are in for an exciting, strong showing when conference play comes around,"

Lady Lions have strong showing in Sonora Tourney

The Lady Lions will compete in the Junction Tournament this weekend in Junc-



MADISON CHILDRESS did a great job catching for the Lady Lions at the Sonora Tournament last weekend.

Youth Baseball sign ups March 3-4

Youth Baseball and T-BALL sign ups at the baseball concession stand March 3-4 from 6-7:30 p.m. and mandatory tryouts (minors and majors only) for new players and players moving up a divi-

sion on March 5 at 7:30 p.m. Ages: T-BALL 4-6, Minor League 7-9, Majors 10-12. Ages as of May 1, 2014.

Coaches and volunteers, call Greg Hopper at (325) 226-3110.

OAP dinner theatre March

The Ozona High School One Act Play will host a Dinner Theatre featuring the performance of "The Diviners" by Jim Leonard, on March 17 at 6 p.m. at the Civic Center.

Tickets are \$12 and can be purchased from any One Act Play student or by contacting Dottie De Leon at OHS at dottie.deleon@ozonaschools.net



OMS STUDENTS helped Assistant Technology Director Tiffany Esparza and Technology Director Keith Harmsen set up a new computer lab last week at the middle school.

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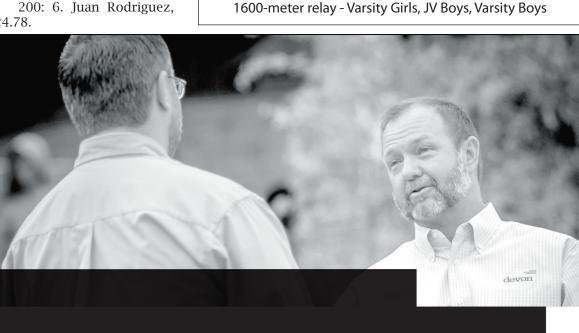
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Welfare Reform

Jani Jo Wood

Kevin Patrick Yeary

Richard Dean Davis

W.C. "Bud" Kirkendall

Sharon McCally

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State Representative, District 53

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Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 3

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PARTY REFERENDUM

of those individuals.

On Immigration Reform The United States Congress must pass immigration reform; including an earned path to citizenship for those individuals contributing to the economy and the dependents

Against

A Living Wage for all Texans

The Texas Legislature should raise the state minimum wage to a livable wage and Congress should pass legislation raising the federal minimum wage to 110% of the federal poverty level for a family of four without exception.

For Against

Medicaid Expansion

The Governor and the Texas Legislature should accept federal funds; as provided in the Patient Protection & Affordable Care Act of 2010; for the expansion of Medicaid to provide coverage to millions of uninsured and underinsured Texans.

Against

On Non-Discrimination Legislation

The Texas Legislature should adopt legislation that expands protections against discriminations in employment; housing; and public accommodations based upon sexual orientation and gender identity.

For Against

Candidates on the Republican Ballot

FEDERAL United States Senator

Chris Mapp **Curt Cleaver** Dwayne Stovall John Cornyn Ken Cope Linda Vega Reid Reason Steve Stockman

United States Representative,

District 23 Francisco "Quico" Canseco Robert Lowry Will Hurd

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That means when voters go to the polls they will have to choose a Democratic Primary ballot or a Republican Primary ballot. Voters cannot vote in both primaries.

The chosen primary candidate (unless a runoff election is necessary) will represent the party in the Nov. 4 General Election.

VOTER ID

Voters will need to bring an ID with them. Voters can also bring their voter registration cards, but they will still need an ID.

The ID must be current or have expired no more than 60 days when presented at the polls, and the only IDs that can be accepted are:

·Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) issued driver's license, personal ID card, concealed carry license, or election identification certificate, or

·US government issued passport, military ID, citizenship or naturalization certif-

Other photo IDs, including out-of-state driver's licenses, employer IDs, and school IDs cannot be accepted at the polls. Photo ID is not required to vote by mail except for new voters who registered without providing a driver's license or social security number.

At the polls, election officials will use the photo ID to be sure the individual asking to vote is the person registered to vote.

·If the names on the photo ID and list of registered voters match exactly, the voter should be accepted to vote a regular ballot. The addresses do not need to match.

·If the names are not exactly the same, election officials will check other infor-

an allegation of misconduct

is currently being investigat-

ed by Texas Education Agen-

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mation--birth date, address, and photo. If there is enough detail to determine this is the person registered to vote, the person should be accepted to vote a regular ballot and initial a box when signing into

·If the photo ID isn't an acceptable ID, isn't current or doesn't match the voter registration, the voter should be offered a provisional ballot and will have six days after the election to present acceptable ID to the voter registrar so the ballot will be counted.

An exact match between the name on the photo ID and the list of registered voters is not required to be accepted to vote a regular ballot. If names don't match, additional information will be considered in accepting the voter.

Voters may want to know how their name will appear on the list of registered voters to see whether it compares to their photo ID. Voters can find out how their name will appear on the voter registration list at the polls by:

· Checking the name as it appears on the right side of their voter registration certificate. Voter registration cards may contain somewhat different names on the left side and on the right side; the name on the right is the way the name will appear at the polls.

PARTY REFERENDUM

Along with the candidates, voters in each party primary will be asked to vote on a series of referendums.

These propositions are non-binding suggestions about how voters feel about certain issues.

For more information, visit the Texas Secretary of State's office at www.votetexas.gov.

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Crockett County Grand Jury on Oct. 7, 2013. She resigned

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Peter S. Peca Jr., of El Paso.

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A Leader, Not a Lawyer.



Both of my principal opponents are lawyers. While the law is an honorable profession, there are currently more than sixty lawyers serving in the Legislature, over one third of the total membership! We don't need more lawyers in the Texas House — we need leaders. For the first time in 25 years, District 53 voters will have the unique opportunity to choose a new voice to represent their values in Austin. As a Conservative Republican, and a woman of faith, I feel called — and am ready — to passionately represent our beloved Hill Country – where Texans can be proud to live, work, and raise their families. I will work tirelessly to protect our conservative values and our way of life as your next State Representative. I consider your vote to be a solemn trust. It is my desire to serve our district with honor and integrity as we work together ensuring a brighter future for your children, my children, and our grandchildren.

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replacing the Blue Bird engines with Cummings diesel engines because the Blue Bird engines are defective engines that are out of warranty and continuously break down.

The maintenance department will replace one engine this year and then evaluate the other for the possible replacement next year. Cost estimate is \$60,000.

"The bus issue is a pressing need. What we've got is an aging fleet that does need addressing. We do need to look into replacing our buses on a rotational basis," Chavarria said.

Other items include:

·OMS computer labs are will be brought up to date with new computers and printers to allow students to expand skills needed in core curriculum, particularly in math and science. Cost estimate is \$40,000 and will be covered by a donation from Chevron.

·OHS restrooms will have wax seals replaced, leaks fixed, steam cleaned floors and washed to remove building in grout of tiles and resealed and waxed floors. School district is still waiting on an estimate for this project

·For OES \$10,000 has been allocated to be used for equipment, supplies and small projects at the elementary school. ·Student desks will be purchased to accommodate larger class sizes coming next year at OMS and to replace worn out broken desks. Cost estimate is \$10,000.

·New fencing on the home side of Lion Stadium is currently being done, replacing the barbed wire on the top and old fencing on the bottom. Originally the district was only going to replace from the girls' field house to the concession stand. Due to a discount, the district will go ahead and complete the project all the way to the tennis courts. Surplus fencing left over from the elementary fence will be used to dress up the ticket booth area. Venegas Fence Co. was hired for the job.

Cost estimate is \$20,000.

·Cracks will be repaired and the tennis courts will be resealed. It has been around five years since the last time this general maintenance and repair was performed. This preventive maintenance will extend the life of the surface, but must be performed every few years. Cost estimate is \$43,000.

•There are many trees throughout the district around the schools and school housing that extend over buildings and walkways that need to be trimmed. During this year's ice storms, some large limbs landed on rooftops and fell over areas that students walk under. Cost estimate is \$15,000.

·The OHS cafeteria kitch-

en will receive much needed air conditioning. An existing unit that is in storage will be used and be professionally installed. Cost estimate is \$10,000.

·A new digital board will be installed on the existing marquee at OHS with a brand new warranted digital LED board. The board comes with a five year warranty, a designated laptop and wireless access. It will be used to disseminate district information and is highly visible. Cost estimate is \$18,000.

·Repair and replace equipment at the fitness center. Cost estimate is \$3,000.

OTHER AGENDA ITEMS:

· Approved the Letter of Engagement for the district's

financial audit for the year ending August 2014 with Eckert, Ingrum, Tinkler, Oliphant, Featherston & Barr LLP

·Approved to nominate The Ozona Stockman and KYXX FM radio through the Texas Association of School Board's Media Honor Roll for their efforts to report school news in a manner that is fair, accurate and balanced.

• Tabled the approval 2014-2015 official district school calendar as recommended by the District-Level Site-Based Decision-Making Committee.

•The next regular school board will be at 6:30 p.m. March 19 at the Administration Building. The meeting is open to the public.

TEXAS PECOS TRAIL NEWS

Hospitality training offered

BY SCOTT JORDAN
TEXAS PECOS TRAIL

The Texas Pecos Trail Region offers hospitality training to partners located within our 22-county area and is open to communities, chambers, hotels, visitor sites, economic development initiatives, and other service-oriented businesses and organizations.

Hospitality and great customer service play a key role in developing and maintain tourism on all levels. Visitors come back when heritage and recreational sites and the various traveler support businesses offer a welcoming experience and excellent customer service.

A one-hour hospitality training workshop is presented by TPTR Executive Director Scott Jordan, a certified hospitality instructor. This instruction is based on the

Texas Friendly Hospitality Program administered by

the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. Participants will learn customer service techniques, be able to provide quality customer service training for their own staff and volunteers, and evaluate

their own performance.

The fee is \$10 per attendee. Members pay \$5 per attendee. Any business or organization who sponsors at least five attendees also receives a 50 percent discount.

To arrange a hospitality training workshop in your community call Scott at (325) 387-3900 or info@texaspecostrail.com.

MEMBERSHIPS AVAILABLE

The Texas Pecos Trail Region Membership Program is open to individuals, businesses, and organizations who support heritage tourism in our West Texas area of 22 counties.

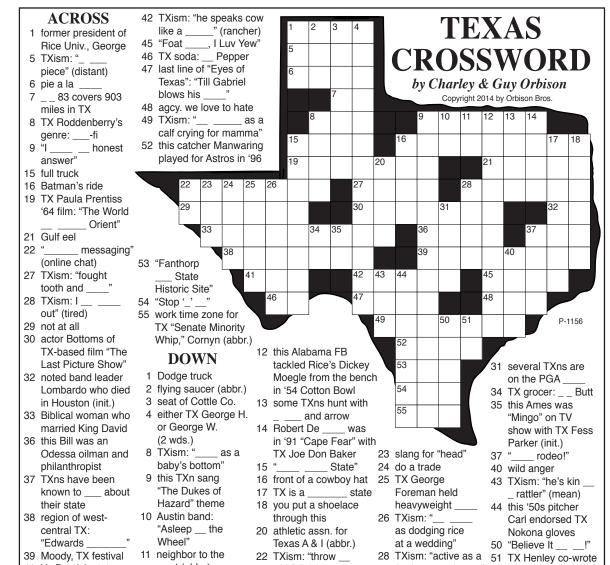
By becoming a member, you can help us support, promote, and enhance tourism to our museums and historic

sites, county court houses and historic downtowns, state parks and other outdoor recreation sites, cultural festivals, and heritage events.

The Membership program is a way for geographically and culturally diverse communities to participate in regional tourism, to broaden the scope of the Pecos Trail, to be better informed of promotional and educational opportunities, and to help build our program at the grass-roots level.

As a member, you will receive a listing and website link on our Pecos Trail Partners web page, a recognition certificate for you to place in your office or outside window, and discounts for travel shows and hospitality training should you wish to participate in those.

We currently have about 20 members for 2014. If you are interested in becoming a TPTR member, call (325) 387-3900 or info@texaspecostrail.com.



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UPDATED PROPERTY TAX INFORMATION NOW AVAILABLE FOR TEXAS TAXPAYERS

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New and updated property tax information has just been compiled by the Crockett County Appraisal District and is available now to assist taxpayers. This property tax information is current and covers a wide range of topics, such as taxpayer remedies, exemptions, appraisals and is of value to select groups, such as disabled veterans and persons who are 65 years of age or older.

"Whether you are a homeowner, business owner, disabled veteran or a taxpayer, it's important you know your rights concerning the property tax laws." said Rhonda Shaw, Chief Appraiser of the Crockett County Appraisal District. "You can contact us about any property tax issue with full confidence that we will provide you the most complete, accurate and up-to-date available information to assist you."

This includes information about the following programs.

Property Tax Exemptions for Disabled Veterans – The law provides partial exemptions for any property owned by veterans who are disabled, spouses and survivors of deceased disabled veterans and spouses and survivors of military personnel who died on active duty. The amount of exemption is determined according to percentage of service-connected disability. The law also provides a 100% exemption for 100% disabled veterans and their surviving spouses, beginning in 2009.

Property Tax Exemptions – Non-profit organizations that meet statutory requirements may seek property tax exemptions and must apply to their county appraisal district by a specific date. Businesses that receive tax abatements granted by taxing units, firms that ship inventory out of Texas, and businesses that acquire pollution control property may also be eligible for statutory exemptions.

Rendering Taxable Property – If a business owns tangible personal property that is used to produce income, the business must file a rendition with its local county appraisal district by a specified date. Personal property includes inventory and equipment used by a business. Owners do not have to render exempt property such as church property or an agriculture producer's equipment used for farming or ranching.

Appraisal Notices – If a taxpayer's property value increased in the last year, the Texas taxpayer will receive a notice of appraised value from the appropriate local county appraisal district. The city, county, school districts and other local taxing units will use the appraisal district's value to set property taxes for the coming year.

Property Taxpayer Remedies – This Comptroller publication explains in detail how to protest a property appraisal, which issues the county appraisal review board (ARB) can consider and what to expect during a protest hearing. The publication also discusses the option of taking a taxpayer's case to district court or entering into binding arbitration if the taxpayer is dissatisfied with the outcome of the ARB hearing.

Homestead Exemptions – A homestead is generally defined as the home and land used as the owner's principal residence of January 1 of the tax year. A homestead exemption reduces the appraised value of the home and, as a result, lowers property taxes. Applications are submitted to the appropriate local county appraisal district.

Productivity Appraisal – Property owners who use land for timberland production, agricultural purposes, and wildlife management can be granted property tax relief on their land. They may apply to their local county appraisal district for an agricultural appraisal which may result in a lower appraisal of the land based on how much the taxpayer produces, versus what the land would sell for in the open market.

Residence Homestead Tax Deferral – Texas homeowners may postpone paying the currently delinquent property taxes due on the appreciating value of their homes by filing a tax deferral affidavit at their local county appraisal district. This tax relief allows homeowners to pay the property taxes on 105 percent of the preceding year's appraised value of their homestead, plus the taxes on any new improvements to the homestead. The remaining taxes are postponed, but not cancelled, with interest accruing at 8 percent per year.

Property Tax Deferral for Persons Age 65 or Older and Disabled Homeowners – Texans who are 65 years of age or older, or who are disabled as defined by law, may postpone paying current and delinquent property taxes on their homes by signing a tax deferral affidavit. Once the affidavit is on file, taxes are deferred, but not cancelled, as long as the owner continues to own and live in the home. Interest continues to accrue on unpaid taxes. You may obtain a deferral affidavit at the appraisal district.

Notice of Availability of Electronic Communication – Chief appraisers of a county appraisal district and appraisal review boards may communicate electronically thorough email or other media with property owners or their designated representatives. Written agreements are required for notices and other documents to be delivered electronically in place of mailing.

Protesting Property Appraisal Values – Property owners who disagree with the appraisal district's appraisal of their property for local taxes, or for any other action that adversely affects them, may protest their property value to the appraisal district's appraisal review board.

For more information about these programs, contact the Crockett County Appraisal District at:

P.O. Drawer H, 909 Avenue D, Ozona, Texas 76943 (325) 392-2674

More information is also available from the state Comptroller's Property Tax Assistance Division website at www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/proptax/ or contact the Texas Comptroller's Property Tax Assistance Division at (800) 252-9121 and press "2" to access the menu, and then press "1".

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LOFT Fellowship cational grant. In addition, U.S. Rep. Pete P. Gallego, there exists the possibility

D-Alpine, has released information about the ExxonMobil LOFT Fellowship.

ExxonMobil and Hispanic Heritage Foundation partnered to offer Hispanic college students fellowship focusing on the STEM field (science, technology, engineering and math).

"ExxonMobil and the Hispanic Heritage Foundation are helping to prepare the next generation of computer engineers, statisticians, and chemists as our young people get ready to enter the 21st century workforce," Gallego said. "This fellowship provides the tools and training Latinos need to succeed through real experiences and mentoring. I thank Exxon-Mobil and Hispanic Heritage Foundation for partnering on these efforts and for offering educational opportunities."

Through HHF's Latinos On Fast Track (LOFT) program, ExxonMobil seeks to nurture motivated college students across the country, with a passion for engineering and science.

Selected students will be exposed to a top quality company by participating in this signature mentoring program. Each student will be paired up with one ExxonMobil engineer/scientist to learn how their knowledge is applied in a corporate setting.

The Fellowship consists of: five 1-hour meetings with mentor (virtual or in person), participation in the Harvardcertified ExxonMobil mentee program (on-line), an exclusive curriculum to introduce Fellows to the organization and company career opportunities, and a \$1,000 eduto interview for ExxonMobil positions (internships/fulltime) upon successful completion of the Fellowship.

Other Requirements: · Must plan to pursue a career in the fields/majors listed above

· Have a GPA of 3.5 or higher

· Be a U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident of the United States with a valid Social Security Number at the time of application. All legal permanent residents must submit a copy of their valid permanent resident card or passport stamped I-551 (not expired).

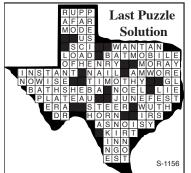
The application will close April 15. All interested candidates can apply here: If you have any questions please email Iulian@hispanicheritage.org. Please use "Exxon-Mobil LOFT Fellowship" in subject line.

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2/17/2014

• 12 a.m. - No treatment, No Transport 911 Response (Emergency)



2/20/2014

• 1:34 p.m. - Transported No Lights/Siren Iraan General Hospital 911 Response (Emergency) 2/22/2014

• 12 a.m. - No treatment, No Transport 911 Response (Emergency)

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• 2 p.m. - Transported No Lights/Siren Shannon West Texas Memorial Hospital 911 Response (Emergency)

CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

Type of Calls

Criminal Complaints/Disturbance/Loud Noise 15

Livestock/wild /domestic animal complaints

Abandoned or Impounded Vehicles

911 medical/fire assistance

Juvenile/School Complaints

Security Alarms

Traffic Contacts

Inmate Housing

Motorist Assist., Lock Vehicle etc

Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Activity

Utility Service (Gas, Water, Electricity)

Incident Reports: Feb. 18-25

toxicated report - as a result of a traffic stop on

Arrest Report: Feb. 18-25

Sheffield Road. One arrest made at scene.

· Sheriff's office filed a driving while in-

Minor/Major Traffic Accidents

Civil Documents service

Civil (non-criminal) Complaints

Courtesy Transports/Welfare checks

Assist DPS, immigration, other agencies

Reckless Driving/Speeding complaints

Crockett County Sheriff's Weekly Activity Report

NOTICE: Chief Deputy Emilio Tambunga, by his own decision, will be officially retiring on March 31, after 25 years of service with the Crockett County Sheriff's Office. Please disregard any other reasons set out by Ozona's rumor control and or any postings made by Facebook feeders.

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• Jose (Pepe) Ramirez Villarreal, of Ozona, arrest by sheriff's office on view for public intoxication. He pled guilty in Justic of the Peace Court and was released after paying fine. • Fernandez Nino Fernandez Jr., of Ozo-

• Michael Lee Griffin, of Tyler Texas, arrest by DPS for driving while disqualified/prohibited CMV. Released after paying fine.

na, arrested by sheriff's office with U.S. Mar-

shal's warrant. U.S. Marshals took custody.

• Donyvan Richard Carrillo, of Odessa, arrest by DPS for unlawful carry of a handgun and possession of marijuana under two ounces. He was released after posting bonds. 2-22-14

· David Richard Dutke, of Tyler, Texas, arrest by sheriff's office on view for driving while intoxicated. He was released after posting bond.

• David Ybarra Gutierrez, of Ozona, arrest by DPS on view for driving while license invalid. He was released after posting bond.

· Armando Fuentes Jr., of Ozona, arrest by sheriff's office on view for driving while intoxicated. He was released after posting bond.

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mated more than 60 percent of the women served will receive family planning services and that to be eligible for the program women must be 18 years of age or older and at or below 200 percent of Federal Poverty Level guidelines. According to the Texas Health and Human Services Commission, 3.3 million Texas women are at or below the Federal Poverty Level.

PANEL EYES HEALTH, SAFETY

Reducing child fatalities and improving access to women's health services were the subjects of a Feb. 20 interim meeting of the state Senate Committee on Health and Human Services. While child deaths due to

abuse and neglect are down overall, there has been a recent spike in foster care fatalities, according to a statement released by Committee Chair Jane Nelson, R-Flower Mound. "It is unacceptable for any child to die from abuse or neglect, certainly when that child has been entrusted to the state."

Regarding women's health care, Nelson noted that the 83rd Texas Legislature pro-

for women's health services, including cancer screenings, wellness exams and other health services to an additional 170,000 women. "As a result, women's health in Texas is now funded at record levels and Texas has the capacity to serve more women than ever before," she said, adding, "Now we need to ensure that the resources we invested are truly meeting the needs of Texas women."

Sen. Kirk Watson, chair of the Texas Senate's Democratic Caucus, posted a reaction saying, "We're encouraged by Chairwoman Nelson's pledge to have 'a thorough discussion of every aspect' of the state's efforts to provide healthcare to Texas women."

COURT TO HEAR **EPA CASES**

An appeal filed by the State of Texas was among six lawsuits against the federal Environmental Protection Agency grouped and scheduled 90 minutes of collective time for arguments be heard by the United States Supreme Court on Feb. 24.

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CROCKETT COUNTY MUSEUM is looking for a creative, energetic and dependable person with a flexible schedule to fill a parttime TOUR GUIDE position which requires a minimum 35 hour biweekly commitment. Starting pay is at \$9.00 an hour with no benefits. Persons applying for the job must have a high school diploma, knowledge of Windows 7 software, Microsoft Word, Excel and Publisher. Must have good communication skills and be able to work well with the public. Applications can be picked up at the Crockett County Museum 408 11th Street Ozona, Texas 76943. Resumes will be accepted but not required. 2c06

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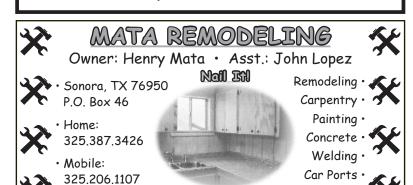
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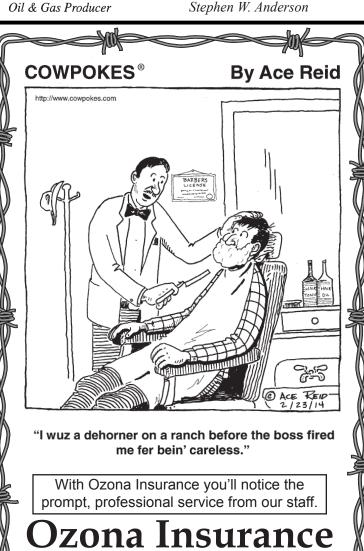
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ADOPTED this the 10th day of February, 2014

- Crockett County Commissioners' Court



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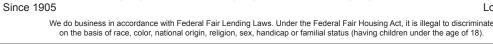
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