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Commissioners, TxDOT talk downtown parking

BY MELISSA PERNER THE OZONA STOCKMAN

Striping the downtown area and an overpass at Midway Lane were all part of a discussion with a local Texas Department of Transportation official during Monday's Crockett County Commssioners' Court regular meeting.

Meeting with Matthew C. Heinze, Ozona TxDOT Maintenance Supervisor, the commissioners went through a bucket list of items they would like to accomplish with TxDOT's help.

The first item dealt with striping the Ozona downtown area for parking.

The commissioners ap-

proved to have angle parking stripes from 9th to 12th streets on the west side of State Highway 163 and from 9th to 11 streets on the east side, along with parallel parking stripes from 11th to 12th streets on the east side of the

The county will have to pay for the striping with TxDOT approval. An outline of the type of striping will have to be sent to Tracy Cain, Tx-DOT engineer for the San Angelo district.

Heinze said TxDOT is planning to sealcoat State Highway 163 through the downtown area in June or July and will be restriping everything in August.

Heinze said if approved they could do the downtown striping then.

Also discussed was the emergency exit in the southwest side of town.

The commissioners approved for the Crockett County Road Department to survey Appaloosa Road to the emergency gate and have

it paved. Heinze said his department would work on the TxDOT side of the gate.

On having an overpass at Midway Lane, the intersection of State Highway 163 and U.S. Highway 190 north of Ozona. Heinze said the best thing the commissioners can do is

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OHS TRACK ADVANCING TO AREA











AREA BOUND: OHS Track Teams competed in the District 8-1A Meet last week in Winters. Lions and Lady Lions who placed fourth or higher will now advance to the Area Meet Thursday in Wink. Winning gold at the district meet were: (left to right) Omero Rodriguez, McKenna Moses, Bryce Gutierrez, Madison Childress and Vivian Medina. More photos and results, page 6.

Good **Friday** closings

The Ozona Stockman will be closed for Good Friday,

Deadline is noon Monday, April 21, for the April 23 edi-

Also closed for Good Friday are Ozona Schools, Crockett County Water Control and Improvement District #1 and Crockett County offices. Some county offices will close at noon Thursday, April 17.

The Family Health Center of Ozona, the U.S. Post Office and local banks will be open on Good Friday.

Have a safe and Happy Easter weekend.

They are fighters



RELAY FOR LIFE 2014: Cancer survivors take their lap at the 2014 Crockett County Relay For Life Friday night at Lion Stadium. The annual event raised \$33,269.50 for the American Cancer Society. More photos page 8.

Easter Egg Hunts Saturday and Sunday

Sonora Main Street will be hosting their annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 19. Ages up to 3rd grade are welcome to hunt.

Pre-K and younger will begin hunting at promptly 10:30 a.m.; older kids will begin after they finish around 10:45 a.m. on the Sutton County Courthouse lawn. No parent participation in the older kids' hunt.

Fourth grade through eighth grade are welcome to participate in the Sonora Amazing Race. The race will be held downtown. Sign up will be in front of Sew Addicted. Prizes will be awarded to firs, second and third place.

The Easter Bunny will be making an appearance and pictures will be available for \$5. All picture proceeds go towards the support of the Rainbow War-

riors team for the Relay For Life. After the hunt, lunch will be sold. There will be a choice of barbecue sandwich or hot dog with chips and a drink at 11 a.m. for \$5.

One ticket for children's door prizes will be given with meal. More tickets will be available through games and activities.

For more information,

call (325) 387-2248. The Ozona Knights of Columbus will hold their annual County-wide Easter Egg Hunt at 2 p.m. Easter Sunday, April 20, at the town square park.

If bad weather occurs, the hunt will be moved under the pavilion by the rodeo arena.

The Easter Egg Hunt is County-wide for children up to 10 years old. There will also be a bake sale.

"Our goal is to have all plastic and individual candy eggs. We will have prized eggs. Anyone wanting to donate towards our Easter Egg hunt may bring the plastic or candy eggs to us on that day by at least 1 p.m.," said Coordinator Frank Tambunga.

For more information, call Tambunga at 392-2827.

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OHS TRACK TEAMS AT AREA MEET THURSDAY IN WINK



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Red Cross seeking Ozona volunteers

Dear Editor,

The American Red Cross Hill Country Chapter celebrated its volunteers and the work they do in the community during National Volunteer Week, April 6 - 12.

Every year, our volunteers provide food, shelter, comfort and hope to hundreds of local families who face home fires and other disaster situations. Through the American Red

Cross, volunteers train people in lifesaving skills and assist military members, veterans and their families.

I want to invite the public to sign up to volunteer and be a part of our lifesaving work. We're looking for diverse volunteers of all ages and skill levels in Ozona and Crockett County, Texas. Go to redcross. org/Kerrville to learn more about volunteering with us and how to submit a volunteer application. To schedule an appointment to donate blood, please visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS.

If you want to volunteer to help when a disaster strikes our community, download the Team Red Cross app. You'll receive notifications when Red Cross volunteers are needed in the Ozona, Crockett County area. The app can be found in the Apple App Store and the Google Play Store by

searching for American Red Cross or by going to redcross. org/mobileapps.

I want to extend my sincerest thanks to the many local Red Cross volunteers who help us fulfill our mission 365 days a year, 24 hours a day in the Texas Hill Country.

James Canup Interim Executive Director American Red Cross, Hill Country Chapter Kerrville, Texas

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It's about time

ome aspect of time steals quietly into our psyche in all conscious moments, and our use or abuse of it is central to much poetry, lyrics, scripts, conversations you name it.

Time, we've long claimed, is—or is not—on our side. Though it deserves unending respect, its import is easily kicked to the side, like a soft drink can on life's highway.

A poet—and much more—challenged us to make best use of time. (It was but a smattering of wisdom embodied in Dr. Benjamin Elijah Mays, mentor to Dr. Martin Luther King. He was president of Morehouse College for 27 years and recipient of some five dozen doctoral degrees.)

It is a short poem of just 54 words.

But, they say much: "I have only just a minute, only 60 seconds in it. Forced upon me, can't re fuse it. Didn't seek it, didn't choose it. But it's up to me to use it. I must suffer if I lose it. Give account if I abuse it. Just a tiny little minute, but eternity is in it."

When one's hourglass of sand becomes bottom heavy, it is human nature to squeeze time.

David Letterman's surprise bombshell on April 3 that he would leave his late-night show sometime in 2015 was a shocker.

There's little middle ground for Letterman viewers either love him or change channels at the mention of his name. Not to be argued, though, are the facts. He will have appeared nightly for 35 years—about 6,000 shows.

That he's vague about the date of his final show shouldn't surprise. He'll "milk it" for weeks on end, just as he did with his quintuple bypass heart surgery 15 years ago.

Athletes sometimes announce retirements before their final seasons, thus making farewell appearances at dozens of venues. Yankee relief pitcher Mariano Rivera did so last year, requesting the chance to address stadium employees—at all lev-



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DON NEWBURY

each stop. I do not criticize other choices for closure-even if they span months or years-or if participants "milk it" to the hilt. (CBS Sports' Jim

Nantz, 54, has circled April 8, 2035, as his retirement date, perhaps on the occasion of his 50th Masters coverage.)

Some people I've known think tardiness should be fairly high up on the "sin list." Others joke about it, saying they're committed to being punctual, no matter how long it takes.

It would be interesting to research timepieces, and how ongoing technology makes possible rather unimaginable accuracy. We've known for decades to point our clocks toward Boulder, CO, where the National Institute of Standards and Technology has announced a spanking new atomic clock that won't gain or lose a second in roughly 300 million years. Called the NIST F-2, it is said to be three times more accurate than the old NIST F-1.

No matter how time is analyzed, or "milking" refined, or time pieces improved, we should make the best use of it, no matter which end of the hourglass fits us.

It is ours always to strive to do better, with one notable exception. We should forgive the cows at Carnation, the brand that introduced evaporated milk in 1899. For decades, the company's advertising always included reference to their "contented cows." It's probably best that none of us knows the dis-

tance to the finish line. When we are at our foggiest, maybe a camel, stumbling along, will ask if we know what day it is. If we guess wrong, maybe the dromedary will give

us another chance.

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High Water Marks

A cowboy friend of mine went into an antique store the other day and the owner tried to buy the hat right off his head because they "fly off the shelf" when offered for sale. But it's mandatory that the hats have to look used. A well known hat maker is also selling "pre-worn" cowboy hats.

Ever since John Stetson started turning beavers into hats people have been wearing cowboy hats to convey the rough, tough image of a cowboy. That's why we have radio DJ's, politicians and designers wearing cowboy hats; hence the saying, "all hat, no cattle!" But a real cowboy is not measured by the plumage or X's in his or her hat, but by the sweat and dirt that have accumulated around the hat band over a life's worth of work. You know what I'm talking about. If you don't see a nearly black band around the base of a work hat you are probably dealing with a banker, lawyer, cosmetologist or country/western singer from New Jersey.

The problem for dudes is you have to work very hard to build up the sweat and dust into just the right mixture that marks you as a real cowboy. Acquiring just the right patina can take years and you can't fake it, color it on with a Magic Marker®, or cover it up with pheasant feathers, a dead rattlesnake, or extra wide hat band.

Our hats are our war bonnets and our crowns, and the degree to which the sweat hand is dark and dirty determine the hierarchy at the auction market cafe.



IT'S THE **PITTS**

LEE PITTS

You see a sweat band that's the color of old saddle leather and it automatically commands our respect. You never throw a good old hat like that away, but retire it instead to your very own Hat Hall of Fame. It's very important to save hats like that for posterity. My grandpa was a hard worker but I have several of his old Stetsons and I am ashamed to admit that judging

by the appearance of just those hats you might think he didn't exert himself all that much. You certainly don't want the same thing said about you, do you?

I wouldn't expect women to understand because it's a manly thing, but believe me, when you ask your husband to wear his new hat instead of his work hat to church, or out to eat at a nice restaurant, it's like you are asking him to leave his masculinity at home. The best comparison I can think of is when women try to wear the highest heels, put the most rings on their fingers or grow their painted toenails the longest.

Now do you understand? Still no? Okay, look at it this way. I'm sure you understand the principle of the alpha dog and how each one tries to make water higher up on a post to show their dominance. Haven't we all seen a Dachshund contort itself trying to "outman" a German Shepherd? Well, it works the same way with hats, only we size each other up by looking at the well-worness of their lid. This also explains why we rarely take our hats off, because we feel naked without them. It's who we are. It's our identity.

Some girly-men take the easy way out by always wearing a straw hat because a good sweat line is much easier to build up in a cheap straw hat than it is a good felt hat with a thick inner hat band. But real cowboys know a phony when they

By the way, the same rules apply when we switch to wearing a ball cap for more formal situations. Look at any freebie cap and you'll see from three to eight stitch lines around the bill. I have seen guys actually count the number of stitch lines they got their sweat line to. I would never do that, and I hate to brag, but in high school when I sheared sheep I got my sweat line all the way out to the rim of the cap! I really must say, it was the high water mark of my workaholic life.

I get misty-eyed when I think what a hat like that might be worth on today's market to some sissy gynecologist who wants to display his manhood when he goes on a week-long trail ride with his urbane buddies who, like him, are too lazy to collect their own dirty sweat

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LBJ School hosts civil rights summit

STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling | Texas Press Association

AUSTIN — President Barack Obama and former Presidents Jimmy Carter, Bill Clinton and George W. Bush spoke at the Lyndon Baines Johnson Presidential Library's Civil Rights Summit, held April 8-10 in Austin.

The summit marked the 50th anniversary of President Johnson's efforts culminating in Congress' passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Johnson's signing the bill into law on July 2, 1964.

"As we commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Civil Rights Act, we honor the men and women who made it possible," President Obama said in his address. "We recall the countless unheralded Americans, black and white, students and scholars, preachers and housekeepers whose names are etched not on monuments, but in the hearts of their loved ones and in the fabric of the country they helped to change. But we also

gather here deep in the heart of the state that shaped (President Johnson), to recall one giant man's remarkable efforts to make real the promise of our founding: " 'We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal.' "

Obama and the past presidents each uttered words to the effect that while Johnson's accomplishments serve as durable bridges to a better America, every generation has civil rights challenges that must be recognized and addressed, and the value of teaching and learning about the work of predecessors is critical to the health of the nation.

Panels composed of historians, scholars, current and former public officials and noted personalities addressed a range of topics, including: LBJ and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., heroes of the civil rights

movement, social justice in the 21st century, immigration policy, education, gay marriage, music and social consciousness and professional sports.

Presidential historian Doris Kearns Goodwin said, and others agreed, LBJ's mastery of the legislative process and effective use of the power of the White House proved keys to the success of the civil rights law, the voting rights law, the fair housing law, Medicaid, Medicare and other laws and federal programs that have been the legacy of the Johnson presidency and central to American life over the last half century.

In their panel discussion, former NAACP President Julian Bond, U.S. Rep. John Lewis, D-Ga., and former Ambassador to the United Nations Andrew Young — as-

sociates of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. — recounted their personal involvement in the movement. Each of the three credited many others and acknowledged the work of the ranks of the unnamed who struggled in the 1950s and 1960s to unravel racial segregation across the South, and pushed for equal PLEASE SEE STATE, PAGE 10

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NEWS

John 'Sandy' Stokes, CPA named Business of the Month

BY SHANON BIGGERSTAFF OZONA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

"When people ask me what I do, I just tell them I talk on the phone and write on green paper all day!"

John "Sandy" Stokes graduated from Ozona High School in 1966, and from Texas Tech in 1970.

"Then I got an invitation from Uncle Sam, and was drafted in the service for two years," said Sandy. "The best thing about that experience was getting to see Germany. I came back to Texas, and worked for a CPA firm in Midland for six years. I went to graduate school at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin and got an MBA in Business Administration."

By 1975 Sandy had completed required education from the American Institute of CPA's and was board certified with the State Board of Public Accountants.

Sandy then came back to

"I'm just a small town boy at heart. Midland was even too big for me. So I came back to Ozona where I wanted to make a difference. Finally an opportunity came up that would allow me to



JOHN 'SANDY' STOKES, CPA and employees Wendy Tambunga and Jill

make a living here. I opened my business, in this same spot, 35 years ago in 1979. This is the old Ozona Bank Building, one of four buildings (jail, courthouse and Heritage-high school) built by the architect, Oscar Ruffini." Sandy served as the Crockett County Auditor

from 1988-2010. "Sandy's wife, Vicki, was a school teacher in Dallas and her grandmother was a teacher in Big Lake. She wanted to be out in this area and applied for a teacher's position in Ozona, and replaced third grade teacher Mrs. Madeline Stokes. My brother and a friend arranged for a blind date to a New Year's dance, but nothing really came out of it. It wasn't until the following fall that we ran into one another again, and six months later we were married."

Sandy and Vicki have two children, John Austin and Wilson, both of San Angelo.

"We have one grandchild that is two years old."

Those that know Sandy are aware of his love of reading, history and music. He plays the mandolin and fiddle, and performs with the Way Off Broadway Players of Eldorado providing background music.

Stokes CPA is located on the town square in the old Ozona Bank Building. It is open for business Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Fridays from 8 a.m. to noon.

Stokes CPA provides payroll tax, sales tax, and income tax services.

In addition, they can assist you in setting up your books, or keep your books

Employees of Stokes CPA are Wendy Tambunga, Office Manager and Jill Crawford, Bookkeeper.

For more information, call Stokes CPA at (325) 392-2711, by fax at (325) 392-3714 or by e-mail at stokesjohn@aol.com.

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

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Wednesday, April 16

- Special Olympics in Sonora.
- Exercise class, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center. • Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- ASU CARR Scholarship signing, 2:30 p.m. at the Administration Building.
- Prayer Group, 3 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Ribbon Cutting, 3:15 p.m. at Parties to Go, 708 8th Street.
- CCCCSD School Board meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Building. • Fellowship of Christian Athletes, 7:15 p.m. at the OHS Davidson Gym.

Thursday, April 17

- OHS Track Teams at the Area Meet in Wink. • Quilting, 9:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Tai-Chi exercises, 2 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Friday, April 18

- Good Friday Stockman office, Ozona Schools, Crockett County offices and Crockett County WCID #1 closed.
- Exercise Classes, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.

Saturday, April 19

- Sonora Main Street Easter Egg Hunt, 10:30 a.m. at the Sutton County Courthouse Lawn. Sunday, April 20
- Easter Sunday • Knights of Columbus Easter Egg Hunt, 2 p.m. at the town square.
 - Monday, April 21
- Exercise class, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center. • Bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Lady Lions Softball vs. Marfa, 5:30 p.m. at Marfa.
- Aggie Muster, 6 p.m. at the Hitchin' Post Restaurant.

Tuesday, April 22

- STAAR Testing, third, fourth, sixth and seventh grade math at middle and elementary schools.
- TAKS Testing, Exit Level English and Math at Ozona High School.
- Tai-Chi exercises, 2 p.m. at the Senior Center.

• Lions Baseball vs. Harper, 5 p.m. at Harper. Wednesday, April 23

- TAKS Testing, Exit Level Science at Ozona High School.
- Exercise class, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Prayer Group, 3 p.m. at the Senior Center.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

April 16 - Helen White, Raul De La Rosa, Ray Garcia, Emannuel Venegas, Misty Bishop, Libby Martinez, Murphey Black and Zak Shaw

April 17 - Buddy Farris, McKenzie Dalton, Mellisa Galvan, Henry Cruz, Chris Beckham, Oscar Valadez, Jackie Moran, Michael A. Jenkins and Richard Gonzales Jr. **April 18** - Melissa Hokit

April 19 - Eric Hendren, Sarah Vargas, Mysti Michelle Mata, Nat Hernandez Jr. and Michelle Gonzales

April 20 - Lupe Martinez, Abe Rodriquez, Viola Perez, Frankie Skinner, Jerold Savala, Clarissa Hernandez, Penny Dalton, Nicole Kelley, Chelsea Gonzales, Ricardo Borrego, Tommy Conner and Albert Madrid

April 21 - John Beckham, Katye Hernandez, Ruben Beseril Jr., Karen Davis, Morgan Glosson, Michael Mitchell and Tashina Lewis

April 22 - Christina Fierro, Irene Vargas, Dawson Owens, Abel Rodriquez, Stella Rodriquez, Leon Tice, Adrienne Tijerina, Bill Black, Stella Fierro, Irene Alba, Maria D. Tambunga and Joe Salas Jr.





Curry new First Baptist Church pastor

On April 1, First Baptist Church welcomed their new pastor, Bro. John Curry, his wife Lynn, daughter Kelsey, and son Sean.

Bro. John was raised in Junction and graduated from High School in 1980. He has a master's degree from Louisiana Baptist Theological Seminary and has pastored churches in West Texas and Southeastern New Mexico for almost 20 years.

Most recently he served as Pastor of Grace Temple Baptist Church in Kermit,

Lynn was born and raised in Lovington, N.M. and they were married on June 16, 1989. Lynn has taught elementary music in Denver City and Crane and for the last three years she has taught fifth grade Social Studies.

Their daughter Kelsey graduated from Crane High School in 2011 and will soon complete her third year at Angelo State University where she is majoring in Elementary Education.

Sean will graduate from Crane High School in June and plans to attend Angelo State in the Fall where he will major in Music Education and hopes to be a Band Director.

The Curry family is looking forward to relocating to Ozona and becoming part of the community.

Community scholarship applications needed

Ozona community organizations need to contact Tisha Harrison, OHS Counselor with their scholarship information and application forms.

Mrs. Harrison can be reached at (325) 392-5501 or e-mail tisha.harrison@ozonaschools.net



JOHN CURRY (left) is the new pastor at the First Baptist Church of Ozona. He is pictured with his family (left to right) his wife Lynn, daughter Kelsey and son Sean.



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)

For applications, call Weldon Nicks at (325) 392-3600. APRIL 16

·Beef tips with gravy, baked potato, peas and carrots, white roll, mandarin fluff fruit and two percent milk.

APRIL 17

·Grill oregano chicken, baby lima beans, stewed tomatoes, roll, emerald pears and two percent milk.

APRIL 18 ·Closed - Good Friday APRIL 21

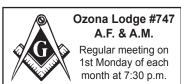
·Smothered steak, scalloped potatoes, green beans, whole wheat bread, fresh fruit and two percent milk. APRIL 22

·Sliced ham, fiesta corn, seasoned broccoli, whole wheat bread, peaches and two percent milk.

MUSEUM MEMORIALS

MEMORIALS:

Katie Jones From: Terry and Peggy Dickerson





WORDS OF INSPIRATION

Love is Blind

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In Luke 15:11-24 we find the story of a loving father that we traditionally call the "Parable of the Prodigal Son". In this story Jesus told, the loving father sees his son coming from a long way off and runs to meet him. Upon reaching his son he begins to kiss him and keeps on kissing him just lavishing love and kisses all over his face. Then the father orders that a robe, sandals and a ring be brought and put on his son. We must not forget where this young man had been, he was fresh out of the pig pen. He was no doubt covered in mud, dirt and filth along with a very distinct odor. The loving father notices none of these things, it's as if they did not exist.



PASTOR DAN SLEDGE

put the ring on his finger they put it over a finger with dirt under the fingernail. When they put the sandals on his feet they were filthy and muddy feet. The father did not even see these things.

The reason Jesus gave us this parable is to teach us something about the heart of our loving Heavenly Father. When God looks at us He

does not see the filth and dirt of this world nor does He see the sins of our past. He sees only the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

When we stand before God we stand before Him "justified." This is a word that means "as if it never happened." We stand before Him as if we never sinned or transgressed in the first place. All this is made possible only because of a miracle transfer. When we are born again our sins transfer to Jesus and His righteousness transfers to us and that is what the Father sees. Yes, love is blind.

> **DAN SLEDGE** is the pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Ozona, Texas.

OZONA SENIOR HAPPENINGS

Bingo Social changed to April 28

BY BRENDA NEWTON SENIOR CENTER DIRECTOR

I was not a work Thursday and Friday because we went to College Station to celebrate our grandson Taylor's Aggie ring day. We are so proud we are about to explode. What a great young man he has become. It was quite a celebration. There were 4,300 other recipients on that day, but none great

Melissa Perner gave a very informative program on Facebook. She also left printouts

everyone for the calls, visits and concerns.

for the instructions she went over. If you would like to have a printout, come by the center and I will have one for you. She said that if you needed help, you could call her and she would help you set up your page. Wow, how does she do it. Busy, busy, busy.

The nutrition program by Whitney Walston has been canceled just for this Thursday. Whitney needed to be out of town this Thursday, but she will continue with the program next Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

The bingo social has been

Tommy & Betty Sessom and Family

and chips, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles and ice cream sandwiches for dessert. 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. Don't forget the trade table, too!

changed to April 28. It was

changed because we were

afraid there would not be

many come due to Easter be-

ing on Sunday, April 20. The

same meal will be served,

chicken salad sandwiches

served on croissant rolls

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

Come on out, the coffee

is on.

FROM THE PULPIT

All Things New Again

There was an old rancher that had to travel over some pretty rough roads to get to town and flat tires were a common occurrence on his old pickup. On one of these occasions the man who fixed his flats told him there were so many patches on the tubes in his tires that he just couldn't fix them anymore. The rancher told him to try again anyway. The flat fixer put another patch over the top of an old one and miraculously it held air, but as could be expected the very next trip it went flat again. The flat fixer told the rancher he had to have new tubes, but the rancher said with the drought and all he just couldn't afford the cost. Being a very kind and generous man, the flat fixer offered to give the new tubes to the old rancher, but the rancher said he just could

not accept charity. This story is a parable of many people's lives. They set out in life and as the "rough roads" take their toll and their hearts are punctured, they seek "patches." These "patches" take on many forms. For some it is relationships and they go from one to another looking for the one that can fix their brokenness.

For others it may be drugs or alcohol and these offer very temporary relief, but they only mask the pain and brokenness and long term they can destroy a person's life. Some become workaholics while others turn to danger and excitement. The one thing these all have in common is that they all fall short of truly mending the brokenness.



PASTOR JOHN CURRY

must come to understand is that the solution lies not in mending the brokenness,

but rather

in being made new. Jesus said in Matthew 11:28 "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." The problem is that for many they are like that old rancher and think they just cannot "afford" what Jesus is offering. Well they are right. None of us can afford the wages of our sin, but the good news is we don't have to because Jesus has already paid the price.

That is why He went to the cross and gave his life. He paid the penalty of death for our sins and He is offering us a new heart and a new life as a free gift and yet many still refuse the offer. They choose instead to walk through life with the scars of the past and continue to attempt to put "patches" on top of "patches."

The Bible tells us in 2 Corinthians 5:17 "...if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old is gone, the new has come." Take it from a "patched up" soul that came to know newness through Jesus; It's time to stop "patching" your life and to swallow your pride and humble yourself before the Lord so that He can make you new again.

JOHN CURRY is the pastor of First Baptist Church in Ozona, Texas.

Easter Sunrise Service Sunday

The Ozona United Methodist Church is hosting a Community Easter Sunrise Service at 7 a.m., Easter Sunday, April 20. Breakfast will be served following the service.

The service will be outside on the east side of the church and breakfast will be served in the Fellowship Hall.

In case of rain, we will shout "Hallelujah and Praise God" and move inside to the Fellowship Hall.

Everyone is welcome to



Card of Thanks

I apologize for this note being late for all persons concerned. We would like to thank all the EMT's

that responded to Tommy's emergency Feb. 28. Those EMT's included Paula Ogles, who was first

on scene and attended to Tommy until the ambulance got to the house, Eddie and Sharon Martin,

Amenda Poindexter, Lou Carson and Melissa Glosson. Thank you Deputy Roman and Bear and

thank you Andel Wagoner for helping. Thank you Ray Martinez for your concern. Thank you to the EMT's for taking care of Tommy on the ambulance to Barnhart to meet AirMed. Also, thanks

I LOVE YOU THIS MUCH

He was about two years or three old the first time he said it. He was in the kitchen helping his mother bake some cookies and she asked him if he loved her. He answered with a cookie in one hand and a small cup of milk in the other, "Mama I love you this much" as he spread his arms out as far and wide as he could. To hear him say that warmed our hearts and sometimes it would even bring tears to our eyes. We loved our little son very much and we knew that he loved us. As I think back it reminds me so much about an event that took place over 2000 years ago when someone spread His arms out as far as He could and proved (Romans 5:8) that He loved us very much. It was this time of year in Jerusalem when the only Son of God (Jesus Christ) gave (John 3:16) His life (on a cross) for us on a hill called Golgotha (the skull, Mark 15:22-37). It was there (by the shed blood of Jesus) that our sins can be forgiven (Ephesians 2:4-8) and we can have a new relationship with God. This Easter season let us take time and think about how much God loves us and make sure we don't miss out on the new and wonderful life we can have in Christ Jesus.

See you in Church next Sunday.

Brother J

First Baptist Church Pastor John Curry

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 JC Cantu** Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Wednesday: 7 p.m.

Ozona Church of Christ 1002 11th St.

Mr. Johnnie Perkins Sun. Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.

Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:00 p.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 vour choice this Sunday.

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** 2121 Santa Rosa St.

Pastor Ruth & Gerson Posadas Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11:00 a.m., 6:00 p.m. 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 Sunday Bible Study: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m.

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Ozona United Methodist Church 2014 Easter Activities Please join us as we celebrate the Miracle of Easter... Thursday, April 17 **Maundy Thursday Service** 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall Friday, April 18 **Good Friday Service** 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel Easter Sunday, April 20 7:00 a.m. - Sunrise Service - Breakfast to Follow 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Our usual 9:00 a.m. Worship Service will not be held on this day) Easter Sunday our children will decorate the cross with fresh flowers. (If you have any in your yard please bring them, ANNUAL CHILDREN'S **Easter Egg Hunt** After the 11:00 a.m. worship service. For those participating please bring your basket with a dozen plastic eggs. (Place your basket in the foyer of the church as you arrive for church that day) Easter Pot-Luck **Dinner to Follow** (Meat provided by the church) **PLEASE JOIN US!**



CCCCSD School Board meeting tonight

The Crockett County CCSD School Board will hold their regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. tonight (April 16) in the Administration Office Board Room at 797 Avenue D.

Items on the agenda:
District spotlight

·Open forum/public com-

·Reports: transportation and maintenance; principals; athletic director; technology director; band; cafeteria/food service; special and federal programs; superintendent - enrollment and attendance.

•Financial and bills: bills; board report; monthly investment report; amendments to the 2013-2014 official budget.

• Consent Agenda: approve minutes from the March 19 regular meeting.

•Executive/closed session: personnel matters - resignations (if any have been received), consider professional contracts and discuss real property.

· Possible action from

executive/closed session

 OHS Student Chris Cantu has requested to address the board concerning a project.

• Adopt resolution recognizing Teacher Appreciation Week.

· Consider and approve Local Policy Update 99: BDD (LOCAL) - Board Internal Organization-Attorney; BP (LOCAL) - Administrative Regulations; CFEA (LOCAL)

- Payroll Procedures-Salary Deductions and Reductions; CK (LOCAL) - Safety Program/Risk Management; DAC (LOCAL) - Employment Objectives-Objective Criteria for Personnel Decisions; EHDC (LOCAL) - Alternative Methods for Earning Credit-Credit by Examination Without Prior Instruction; FFF (LOCAL) - Student Welfare-Student Safety; FFH (LOCAL) - Student Welfare-Freedom from Discrimination, Harrassment and Retaliation.

• Future business: May 2014 regular board meeting (suggested date May 21).

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LEVI ENGLISH completed his first solo flight on March 26 in a Cessna 172 Skyhawk with three full-stop landings. This flight completes his Introductory Flight Screening at AMS Aviation, Peter Prince Field. Now he moves on to Aviation Preflight Indoctrination at NAS Pensacola, Fla. The cap he is wearing belonged to U.S. Navy Captain Leo P. Zeola, who flew FM2 Super Wildcat fighter planes during World War II and was a close family friend. English is a 2011 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis. From there he was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps and graduated Texas A&M with a master's degree in aerospace engineering, and recently completed his Basic Officer's Course at Quantico, and was ranked ninth in his class of 250. He is a graduate of Ozona High School and the son of Cathy and Ben English of Ozona.





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OHS Track competes at district meet

The OHS Lions and Lady Lions competed in the District 8-1A Track Meet last week in Winters.

The top four in each varsity event will advance to the Area Meet Thursday, April 17, in Wink.

VARSITY LADY LIONS

Team Totals - 1. Miles, 145; 2. Ozona, 144; 3. Irion County, 73.5; 4. Eldorado, 71; 5. Winters, 67.5; 6. Christoval, 67; 7. TLC Academy, 50

1600 - 3. Gabby Treto, 6:19.84; 4. Nancy Rodriguez,

200 - 4. Nicole Higgins, 27.63

3200 - 3. Gabby Treto, 13:31.49; 4. Jordyn Lexi Poindexter, 13:48.11; 5. Nancy Rodriguez, 14:13.21

400 - 3. Madison Childress, 1:04.64

100 Hurdles - 3. Madison Galindo, 18.05

800 - 2. Jordyn Lexi Poindexter, 2:39.77; 4. McKenna Moses, 2:41.28

300 Hurdles - 6. McKen-

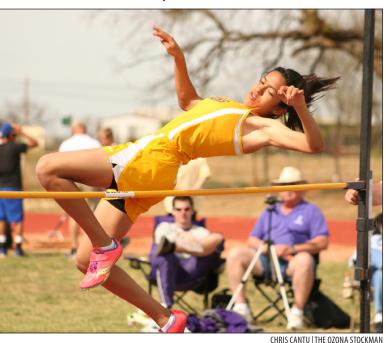
na Moses, 54.62 400 Relay - 3. Madison



ALEX HOPPER AND ADRIAN RODRIGUEZ (I.) placed second and fourth respectively in both the 1600 and 3200 runs at the District 8-1A Track



JV LION TIMOTHY MALDONADO HANDS OFF TO FELIPE IRLAS at the District 8-1A Track Meet held April 10 in Winters.



ESTEFANIA TORRALBA PLACED FOURTH IN THE HIGH JUMP at the District 8-1A Track Meet held April 10 in Winters.

Childress, Nicole Higgins, Alyssa Newlin, Madyson Hubbard, 53.21

1600 Relay - 1. Jordyn Lexi Poindexter, Estefania Torralba, Nicole Higgins, Madison Childress, 4:19.37

800 Relay - 5. Alyssa Newlin, Kamryn Lozano, Madison Galindo, Madyson Hubbard, 2:01.75

Long Jump - 3. Alyssa Newlin, 15-3.5; 6. Madyson Hubbard, 14-10.75

Shot Put - 2. Samantha De La Garza, 31-1; 3. Vivian Medina, 30-6

Discus - 1. Vivian Medina, 107-10

Triple Jump - 4. Estefania Torralba, 32-11.75; 6. Madison Childress, 32-.5

High Jump - 1. McKenna Moses, 5-2; 4. Estefania Torralba, 4-8

Pole Vault - 2. McKenna Moses, 9-6

VARSITY LIONS

Team Totals - 1. Christoval, 163; 2. Ozona, 136; 3. Irion County, 81; 4. Eldorado, 67; 5. TLC Academy, 63; 6. Miles, 48; 7. Winters, 39.

1600 - 1. Omero Rodriguez, 4:43.96; 2. Adrian Rodriguez, 4:51.84; 4. Alex Hopper, 5:04.96

200 - 4. Ryan Porras,

3200 - 1. Omero Rodriguez, 10:26.01; 2. Adrian Ro-



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driguez, 10:53.58; 4. Alex Hopper, 10:56.90 110 Hurdles - 5. Bryce Martin, 17.52

800 - 1. Bryce Gutierrez, 2:08.90

300 Hurdles - 4. Bryce Martin, 44.90

400 Relay - 2. Ben Badillo, Tyler Galindo, Ryan Porras, Ricky Porras, 45.46

1600 Relay - 2. Ben Badillo, Bryce Gutierrez, Ryan Porras, Noe Medina, 3:37.05

800 Relay - 3. Ricky Porras, Tyler Galindo, Juan Rodriguez, Bryce Gutierrez. 1:37.14

Long Jump - 2. Tyler Galindo, 20-4 Shot Put - 4. Michael

Ybarra, 38-11 Discus - 3. Evan Ray-

mond, 114-10 Triple Jump - 3. Bryce

Gutierrez, 42-3 High Jump - 4. Tyler Galindo, 5-4

JV LADY LIONS

Team Totals - 1. Ozona, 157; 2. TLC Academy, 117; 3. Eldorado, 28.

100 - 2. Kelly Sewell, 14.67; 3. Dacie Taylor, 14.70; 5. Alondra Rodriguez, 14.99 800 Relay - 2. Alondra Rodriguez, Asia Lara, Eliz-

abeth Rodriguez and Nydia Valdes, 2:09.26 200 - 1. Kelly Sewell, 30.27; 5. Alondra Rodriguez,

32.40; 6. Nydia Valdes, 32.58 1600 Relay - 1. Dulce Rodriguez, Nydia Valdes, Bob-



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egas, 31-1.75

800 - 1. Garry Held,

400 Relay - 6. Josh Por-

1600 Relay - 4. Johnny

Shot Put - 5. Johnny Ven-

Discus - 4. Johnny Vene-

ras, Timothy Maldonado,

Christian Ozoria, Felipe Irlas,

Venegas, Felipe Irlas, Timo-

thy Maldonado and Jose Oje-

400 - 1. Dulce Rodriguez, 1:11.99; 2. Asia Lara, 1:18.05; 3. Elizabeth Rodriguez, 1:19.87

1600 - 1. Bobbie Jo Vargas, 7:06.99

3200 - 1. Bobbie Jo Vargas, 15:09

400 Relay - 1. Dulce Rodriguez, Kelly Sewell, Asia Lara, Elizabeth Rodriguez,

Long Jump - 2. Kelly Sewell, 13-8; 3. Asia Lara, 13-5; 4. Alondra Rodriguez, 13-1 Pole Vault - 1. Bobbie Jo Vargas, 7-0

JV LIONS

Team Totals - 1. Christoval, 157; 2. Irion County, 134; 3. Winters, 78; 4. Eldorado, 66; 5. TLC Academy, 62; 6. Ozona, 38 and 7. Miles 37.

100 - 5. Josh Porras, 11.94 1600 - 4. Garry Held, 6:10.87

400 - 5. Deep Patel, 1:03.08

300 Hurdles - 4. Jose Oje-





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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

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CHRISTIAN YUREGAS AND MARC FLORES PLACED 3RD in eighth grade doubles in the Sonora MIddle School Tennis Tournament last week.



GAVIN GRANIS AND GREG DEHOYOS PLACED 2ND in 8th Grade Boys Doubles at last week's middles school tennis tournament held in Sonora.



JULIETA HERNANDEZ AND PAIGE VILLARREAL took seventh grade girls consolation at the Sonora MIddle School Tennis Tournament last week. s

Ozona Lions pounce Eldorado, Mason

The OHS Lions Baseball Team won a thrilling ballgame, and avenged a first round loss, beating Eldorado 12-11 on April 11.

With this win, Ozona moved into first place tied with Eldorado. Two games remaining in the season.

"We managed to bang

out 14 hits and capitalized on some key Eldorado errors early in the game," said Coach Ray Talamantes.

Eldorado fought back in the fifth inning scoring 7 runs to take an 11-8 lead.

Going into the sixth inning, and down by 3 runs, the Lions managed to claw back and take the lead for good scoring four runs in the inning.

"I challenged the boys and asked them to dig deep and give everything they had to help fight back into this game," Talamantes said.

With bases loaded, and two outs, Tristan Alvarez and Tommy Fay scored from third base on a wild pitch with Fay coming in right behind him.

In the last inning, with bases loaded, the tying run on third and the winning run on second, freshman Aiden Fierro got Eldorado's final batter to pop up to shortstop and starting pitcher Chase DeHoyos to end the game.

DeHoyos started the game going 4.5 innings, striking out seven and walking seven.

Fierro came in at relief striking out two, walkiing one and picked up the win.

Freshman Preston Mc-Cutcheon scored one run and Fay had two RBIs and scored two runs.

The Lions defeated Mason 12-7 on April 8.

Fierro struck out five Punchers, walked two and gave up four earned runs.

DeHoyos was four for four with a double and triple to go with two singles and a RBI.

Kalen Perez was two for two with two walked and a RBI.

Emilio Mendez hit his first career home run in the fourth inning.

"Defensively, we did commit three errors, but they did not prove costly at the end of the game. Overall, we played a much better ball game and I think our boys gained a whole lot of confidence going into the final regular games, Talamantes said.

OMS competes in math and science

Ozona Middle School com- Childress, 14th. Eighth Grade Posadas, 19th. peted in the State Texas Math and Science Coaches Association competition on April 5 at UTSA in San Antonio. Overall Ozona placed seventh out of 18 1A schools.

Number Sense: Sixth Grade -Manuel Torralba, seventh place; Desiree Gruben, 16th; Humberto Torralba, 17th. They got 14th place team with only three members (team score is usually top 4 scores for a school).

Calculator: Sixth Grade -Manuel Torralba, 10th, Humberto Torralba, 11th, Jacob - Samantha Torralba, eighth, Kassidy Gonzalez, 15th, Denise Rodriguez, 18th.

These students placed sixth as a team in calculator: el Torralba. Samantha Torralba, Kassidy Gonzalez, Denise Rodriguez and Manuel Torralba (that is sixth place out of 18 schools).

Mathematics: Sixth Grade - Manuel Torralba, 10th; Humberto Torralba, 14th; Desiree Gruben, 15th; Seventh Grade - Chantz Elliott, 14th; Josh Knaack, 15th; Eighth Grade - Sara Gunnels, 14th; Danny

These students placed sixth as a team in mathematics: Sara Gunnels, Danny Posadas, Chantz Elliott, and Manu-

Science: Sixth Grade - Tyler Webb, 33rd; Seventh Grade - Josh Knaack, 24th; Coulter McWilliams, 25th; Eighth Grade - Brenna Hale, 23rd; Roman Esparza, 25th.

These students placed ninth as a team in science: Brenna Hale, Roman Esparza, Josh Knaack and Coulter Mc-Williams.



OMS STUDENTS competed at the State Texas Math and Science Coaches Association competition on April 5 at the UTSA campus in San Antonio. Ozona placed seventh out of 18 1A schools.

TYLER GALINDO AND EVAN RAYMOND competed in the first Best Texas Tees Concho Valley Classic Saturday in the Junell Center at Angelo State University. The All Star game featured West Texas athletes from 1A and 2A schools.

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The Ozona High School Band is heading to Branson, Missouri

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

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

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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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come up with a letter requesting it and send it to Cain.

He said the letter should contain key points, such as the amount of accidents that occur there, the fact that intersection is part of the town's main evacuation route to the north and all the heavy oilfield traffic that is currently taking place.

"I want an overpass there just as bad as everyone. It's a dangerous intersection," Heinze said.

Heinze also said Tx-DOT would no longer be responsible for replacing highway signs stating in advance county roads, schools, public libraries, stadiums or post

He said if the signs are in good condition then they will remain. If the signs are no longer in good condition, Tx-DOT is no longer allowed to order those signs.

"It's a budget issue. We will let Jeffrey (Stuart) know if we are about to take down a sign like those that are in bad shape," Heinze said.

He also said all Ranch-to-Market roads and Farm-to-Market roads now have a 75 mph speed limit.

Heinze presented a copy of an interlocal agreement with TxDOT. County Judge Fred Deaton said they would read the agreement and put it on next month's agenda for approval.

HERACLIO AND LARGO STREETS

The commissioners approved to open up Heraclio and Largo streets and build through streets to connect to Buena Vista Street.

Commissioner Frank Tambunga said local emergency services officials requested that the two streets be opened up to make it easier for vehicles. The two streets currently dead end.

Road Department Supervisor Jeffrey Stuart had SKG Services survey the area and said it could be done.

Local resident Mary Galindo, who lives on Heraclio Street, presented a list of signatures from residents who didn't want the streets opened.

"You all didn't know that piece of land was there until now. Now you want to go in. Kids can play on the street, not worry about traffic. We don't want that road to open. As for the emergency vehicles, we really haven't had a problem," Galindo said. "We've had it like this for years. You go ahead and open the street, fine that's your thing. But if you open it up and anything happens, I'm going to sue all of you and the whole county."

She also said she was concerned about her property located in the area of where the street would be ex-

"I'm not doing it to pick on you. People have come to me and talked to me about this. We did the survey found out the area we want to extend the road is county property. I don't want to take your property at all. We don't want to do anything with your property. If anything happens right now, people can still sue us," Tambunga said.

"Mary you are not seeing the point," added Santiago Ybarra Sr.

Chago Ybarra said if emergency personnel need the roads opened, then it needs to be done.

"We're not here for or against. We're not against Mary," Chago Ybarra said. "If Crockett County needs it then let's do it."

Commissioner Eligio Martinez suggested seeing how traffic flows with the streets being one way.

"We've always had a

problem on those streets. We always thought we needed a better way to come in and out. This would be better, benefit everybody else and allow emergency vehicles to come in and out," said Sheriff Robert Rodriguez. "What worked then doesn't work now."

BURN BAN

The commissioners reinstated the burn ban for Crockett County.

The latest U.S. Drought Monitor lists the majority of Crockett County as moderate to severe drought.

Keetch-Byram The Drought Index shows Crockett County ranging 300-400. which is considered moderate fire danger. The drought index is based on a daily water balance, where a drought factor is balanced with precipitation and soil moisture (assumed to have a maximum storage capacity of 8-inches) and is expressed in hundredths of an inch of soil moisture depletion, according to the Texas Weather Connection website.

The Texas Forest Service states currently 85 counties in Texas are under burn bans.

ROAD BARN

The commissioners Stuart talked about building a new county road office and barn. The road department is currently tearing down the burned down office and building that was destroyed by a fire in January.

Stuart said he doesn't want a whole lot more room that what he has. He also said he wanted to incorporate the welding and mechanic shops, as well as building a new office and inventory room.

"I don't want one any bigger, but I would like it reconfigured," Stuart said.

County Auditor Janie Chandler said Stuart needs to sketch out what he wants before the commissioners start talking to an architect or en-

"You're looking at a million dollar project," Deaton

"If we're going to have to pay an architect, let him come up with the big design," Tambunga added.

The commissioners approved Deaton look into architects or engineers for a new county road barn building.

Stuart said he would meet with some of his employees and they would sketch out what they wanted.

PARKS and RECREATION

Heidi Sullivan spoke the commissioners about creating a neighborhood watch program for the local parks, especially the swimming pool parks by the interstate. New bathrooms have recently been built at that park and Sullivan said there are concerns about vandalism.

Sullivan said signs can be put up informing the public of how to report vandalism, and perhaps offering a reward.

Martinez also said he would get prices for security cameras.

The commissioners told Sullivan to discuss the neighborhood watch program with the sheriff's office.

DRIVER'S LICENSE OFFICE

Deaton said the Texas Department of Public Safety would be interviewing applicants the first of May to staff the new driver's license office in Ozona.

The person hired would also staff the office in Sonora.

FOURTH OF JULY

The commissioners approved having Fourth of July activities until midnight this year at the town square.

Tambunga said he is considering having live music during the celebration because it will fall on a Friday night this year. He said the music would be after fireworks, if weather conditions allow fireworks, or just have music until midnight.

He said they will have the traditional events, including a parade and the children's and pet parade.

OTHER AGENDA ITEMS APPROVED:

· Authorize solicitation for the professional services of the TxDOT Transportation Infrastructure Fund.

·Fence the property line from Avenue J to the draw at the animal control facility.

· Seeking an opinion from the Attorney General on nepotism concerning the EMS.

·Resolution to support brain injury treatments for Texas Veterans.

·Fencing of flood control dam on the Baker property. ·Street light on Santa Rosa Street.

COURT: Burn ban reinstated | Care Center maintenance pilot program approved

BY MELISSA PERNER THE OZONA STOCKMAN

EMS Director Eddie Martin can add maintenance supervisor to his title.

A pilot program to oversee maintenance at the Crockett Count Care Center was approved last week during the monthly Care Center, Health and Emergency Services Board of Directors meeting.

The board approved Martin as the center's temporary maintenance supervisor one year. Martin will be paid a stipend of \$15,000.

At Monday's meeting, the Crockett County Commissioners' Court gave verbal approval of Martin's hiring.

"You brought us a problem that needs to be addressed and you brought us a solution. I really like the idea of providing the solution with a problem," said Commissioner Randy Branch.

At the care center board meeting, Board President John L. Henderson said any repairs that are done at the care center need to be logged and documented, and that there are a lot that have not been logged and documented.

Henderson said they need someone in place that has the knowledge to do that and Martin has previous experience as a maintenance supervisor.

"It's called compliance," Henderson said.

Martin offered his expertise whenever the center's generator came into question after a state inspection. From there Martin, Henderson and Care Center Administrator Robert Stecher all talked about a pilot program for one year where Martin would supervise the maintenance, take care of the documentation and supervisor a main-

tenance worker. The center has received applications for a maintenance worker and Martin said he will be looking at those to hire someone. That maintenance person will report to Martin and Martin said he will keep Stecher informed.

Martin will also continue his job as director for Crockett County EMS and will make ambulance runs when needed.

"I think as long as we can hire that person to be in house, I think it will be a great deal. If we don't get that person hired, it may not be a great deal," Martin said. "If EMS starts slacking, I'll be the first one to say this isn't working. If somebody walks in three months down the road and wants to be the supervisor, no harm, no foul with me."

"Robert has his hands full dealing with the state. He is a care center administrator, he's not a maintenance administrator," Henderson said. "As long as the oilfield is as active, I do not think we are going to stand a chance on that perfect person. We run this for a year and look at it at the end of the year. This is not something we say we do forever. I think this is the only way we are going to get the state off of us. Fortunately, we have a guy who can save a life, and fix a toilet

and air conditioner."

Stecher said he is on the same terms with Martin.

"I think Eddie and I can work out schedules and timelines. If we don't do something, and do it very quickly, it's not going to work," Stecher said.

The rest of the board members agreed.

"I think that the quality of documentation is in all businesses now. These governmental entities, that's all they know. I think it's a really good idea," said Jim Skehan, board member.

The board also verbally agreed to compensate county road department employee Rusty Harris for filling in at the care center as a maintenance person.

NEW AMBULANCE

The board also approved the purchase of a new ambulance at the cost estimated less than \$207,000.

The commissioners also approved the purchase of the new ambulance at their meeting Monday.

Around \$100,000 will come from the Concho Valley Regional Advisory Council in San Angelo and county funds rolled over from last year.

Martin said the rest will be budgeted for 2015 by the county. The ambulance is expected to be finished in Jan-



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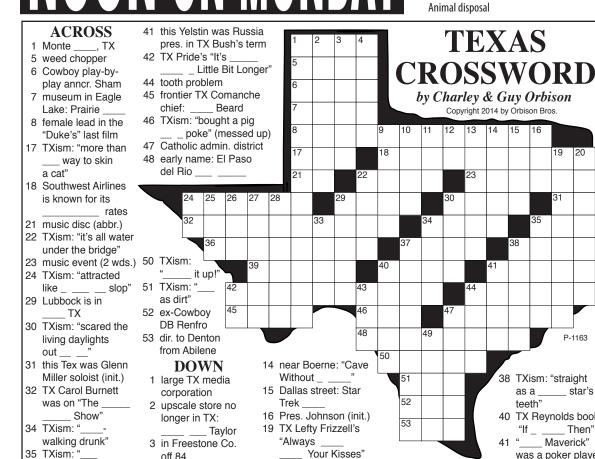
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April 2 commissioners' court meeting minutes

Editor's note: The following is the minutes from the April 2 called meeting of the Crockett County Commissioners' Court. These minutes were approved Monday by the commissioners and are being printed as requested by a reader. Minutes of all commissioners' court meetings are public record and available in the county clerk's office.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT CALLED SESSION APRIL 2, 2014

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 2nd day of April, 2014 A.D., the honorable Commissioners' Court met in called session with members present: Frank Tambunga, Pct. #1; Pleas Childress, Pct. #2; Randy Branch, Pct.# 3; Eligio Martinez, Pct.# 4 and Fred Deaton, County Judge where the following proceedings were had. viz

Discussion on insurance settlement for street sweeper. Pleas Childress moved to approve insurance settlement for street sweeper of \$139,045.82. Eligio Martinez seconded. Motion carried with all voting for the motion.

Discussion and action on contract between Crockett County and Ozona Volunteer Fire Station. Discussion only.

Discussion and action on complaint by county employee against Fire Chief Brian Morrow. Frank Tambunga moved for Brian Morrow, Fire Chief to take an anger management course within the next 6 months and to step down as Fire Chief if the matter occurs again. Pleas Childress seconded. Motion carried with voting for the motion.

Discussion on work repairs or remodeling at the fire station. Discussion only. There being no further

business, the meeting adjourned. Attest: Debbi Puckett,

County Clerk

Aggie Muster Monday

Former students of Texas A&M University will assemble in Ozona on Monday, April 21, for the annual Texas Aggie Muster to honor all Texas Aggies who have passed away within the last year, said Muster Chair Casey Upham.

Various Muster activities, including a buffet dinner, will begin at 6 p.m. at the Hitchin' Post restaurant in Ozona. All former and current students, their families, and friends of Texas A&M University are invited to attend.

The Texas Aggie Muster tradition, which spans more than a century, will be observed in more than 300 locations around the world. These Muster gatherings are held in many unique places ranging from battleships and foxholes during World War II to ballrooms and steak houses today.

Over the years, Aggie Muster has grown to be one of Texas A&M's most revered traditions. Muster honors the memories of A&M men and women whose deaths prevent them from answering Roll Call at this year's Muster. The

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Roll Call is a roster compiled of all former and current students who have died over the past year. As each name is called, a friend or family member will answer "Here!" symbolizing that their memory lives on in the hearts of Aggies everywhere. Muster is more than just a ceremony; it is also an annual way for Aggies to renew the loyalty and unity which constitute the foundation of their friendship for each other as well as their love and devotion for their school.

For more information regarding the Texas Aggie Muster held in Ozona, call contact Casey or Jody Upham at (325) 392-9484, or by e-mail at jodyupham@hotmail.com. RSVP's are requested this year to make sure there is enough food, so call or e-mail by Thursday, April 17.

Additional information about Texas Aggie Muster and other Texas A&M Traditions and Programs can be obtained by contacting The Association of Former Students at (979) 845-7514 or by visiting their website at www. AggieNetwork.com.

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and covers the initial impoundment and the first day. A charge of \$10 will be added for each additional day the animal has not been claimed. The animal will be held for 3 days for the owner to claim before being put up for adoption or other disposition. Crockett County Animal Control follows the guidelines set by the Texas Rabies Act which all counties must follow. - Ozona Animal Control

CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT Crockett County Sheriff's Weekly Activity Report

Type of Calls

911 medical/fire assistance Civil complaints Civil documents served Criminal complaints/disturbances/loud noise 35 Juvenile/School Motorist assist/ locked vehicle Reckless driving/ speeding complaints 8 Minor/major traffic accidents 8 Traffic contacts 13 Upton County inmate housing cost for March was \$14,137.50. Crockett County also has prisoners housed in Sutton and Pecos counties.

Livestock/wild/domestic animal complaints 11

Monthly Status Report - March 2014 Total Placed in Jail 30 **Total Released** 20 Currently Incarcerated - Ozona 2 Currently housed outside county 14 Housing Cost - Mitchell Co. (3 inmates, no invoice yet) \$14,137.50 Housing Cost - Upton Co. Housing Cost - Sutton Co. (4 inmates, no invoice yet) \$0 Housing Cost - Pecos Co. \$0 **Total Housing Cost** \$14,137.50 **Total Dispatch Calls** 542 **Total Civil Papers** Civil Papers Served (state and out of county) 16 Total Unserved/Year **Total Fines Collected** \$1,810 **Total Civil Fines Collected** \$400 Cash Bonds Collected \$0 **Bonding Fees Collected** \$240 **Traffic Citations Issued** 911 Calls 356 911 Landline 27 911 Wireless 295 Unavailable (abandoned or ghost calls) 36 Total 911 Calls 714 Actual 911 Calls 678 Offense reports/arrests:

4-9-14 • DPS investigated a motor vehicle accident arrested David Banks of Odessa, Texas, on charge of intoxicated assault with a vehicle. Banks was arraigned and transferred to Sutton County.

 Sheriff's deputy arrested Michael Ouiroz of Ozona, on an out of county warrant, Quiroz posted bond and was released. 4-11-14

• Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to a disturbance in the 1600 block of Santa Rosa. Deputies arrested Ashley Farris, of Ozona, for disorderly conduct. Farris was also charged with resisting arrest, assaulting a peace officer and retaliation on a peace officer. After further investigation into the disturbance Farris was also charged with injury to a minor. Farris then was later charged with criminal mischief for damaging CCSO property. Farris was arraigned and transferred to Pecos County.

• Sheriff's deputy took two juveniles into custody after a complaint from the middle school principal that they were in possession of a controlled substance. Juveniles were processed and released to their parents. • Sheriff's deputy investigating a reckless

driver complaint arrested Ronald Dye, of Marthaville, La., for driving while intoxicated. Dve posted bond and was released. • DPS arrested Anthony Dominguez, of Ozo-

na, for possession of marijuana less than two ounces. Dominguez posted bond and was released 4-13-14

• Sheriff's deputy conducted a traffic stop and arrested Brett Cox, of Lewisville, Texas, for driving while intoxicated. Cox posted bond and was released. 4-14-14

• Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to a residence on Cenisa Street in Ozona in reference to a disturbance. Molly Munoz was arrested for assault family violence. Munoz is pending arraignment.

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GOVERNOR LOOKS FOR MIAS

Gov. Rick Perry and first lady Anita Perry traveled to the Republic of Palau in the Western Pacific Ocean to participate in the BentProp Project, April 5 to April 17.

BentProp is an ongoing effort to find the remains of U.S. soldiers and sailors listed as "Missing in Action" in World War II battles fought in the South Pacific. Joining the Perrys on the island of Peleliu were former U.S. Navy SEAL Marcus Luttrell and Romus Valton Burgin, a veteran of the September

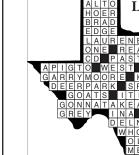
1944 Battle of Peleliu. According to the governor's office, the Perrys "are traveling as guests of the BentStar Project, which assists in funding the BentProp Project and Pursuit Productions, which is filming a documentary on the 2014 expedition."

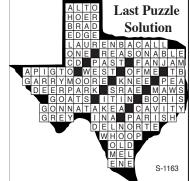
REVENUES GROW IN MARCH

State Comptroller Susan Combs on April 9 announced state sales tax revenue in March was \$2.09 billion, up 5.6 percent compared to March of the previous year.

"The growth in sales tax revenues was led by business spending in the oil and natural gas mining, wholesale trade and construction sectors," Texas chief revenue officer explained. "Collections from restaurants were also strong. This marks 48 consecutive months of growth in state sales tax collections."

Combs said her office would send cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts their April local sales tax allocations totaling \$554.5 million, up 6.2 percent compared to April 2013.





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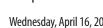
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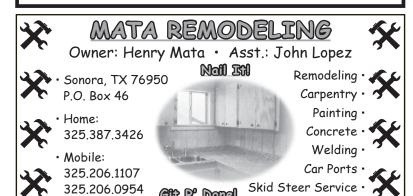
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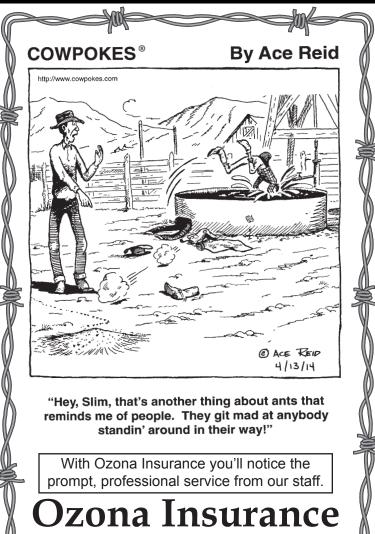
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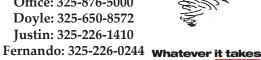
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ORDER RESTRICTING **OUTDOOR BURNING**

The Commissioners' Court finds that circumstances present in all or part of the unincorporated area of the county create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning; and NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Commissioners' Court of Crockett County, Texas, that outdoor burning is restricted in Crockett County for 30 days from the date of adoption of this Order, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by the Texas Forest Service or this Court. This Order is adopted pursuant to Local Government Code 352.081, and other applicable statues. This Order does NOT prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Natural Resources Commission for: (1) firefighter training; (2) public utility, natural gas pipeline or mining operations; (3) planting or harvesting or agricultural crops; or (4) burns that are conducted by an approved Prescribed Burning Association, Natural Resource Conservation Service, the and/or Texas A&M Agricultural Experiment Station, or prescribed burn manager certified under Section 153.048, Natural Resources Code, and meet the standards of Section 153.047, Natural Resources Code.

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