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VOL. 103, NO. 32 \$1 CCCCSD to absorb

health insurance

BY MELISSA PERNER

increase

THE OZONA STOCKMAN

CCCCSD officials have found a way to cover the employees' health insurance in-

At Monday's budget workshop, Superintendent Raul Chavarria presented a plan that will enable the school district to absorb the district's health insurance increase, as well as pay off Qualified School Construction Bond.

Currently, the district provides insurance at only \$26 out of pocket expense for the employees. The insurance increase will be \$59 per employee, an increase of \$106,000 a year.

The district currently has around \$5 million in the fund balance. The state requires an optimum fund balance of \$3.1

Under the plan, the district can make a \$1 million to \$1.5 million payment on the QSCB. That will leave \$4 million to \$3.5 million in fund balance.

The district will owe \$1.5 million and \$1 million on the OSCB, which is a 14-year loan that will be paid off in two years.

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A new school year begins

BY MELISSA PERNER THE OZONA STOCKMAN

OZONA, TEXAS

It was an upbeat and smooth start to the school year Monday for Ozona students, teachers and staff.

Enrollment for the first day was 822 students. This is a decrease of 28 students at this time last year.

Superintendent Raul Chavarria said the district will receive more solid enrollment numbers after Labor Day.

"We got off to a good start," he said.

Ozona Elementary had 440 students, which is 30 students less than this time last year. OMS had 172 students, one more than last year. OHS had 210 students, one more than last year.

Principals Tammy McWilliams and Ronny Clayton both said they had good first days at all three campuses.

At the elementary campus, letters were sent out with information about the upcoming school year.

"We plan to have many exciting and educational adventures during the journey," Mc-Williams said. "Everything we do at OES is to be certain that all of our students can: be safe, be respectful, be responsible, so they can all be successful."

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JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN

A NEW SCHOOL YEAR: Students and parents make their way to classrooms Monday at Ozona Elementary School on the first day of school.

OHS Cross-Country off and running

BY MELISSA PERNER THE OZONA STOCKMAN

The OHS Cross-Country Teams competed in their first meet of the season Saturday at the Caverns of Sonora Meet.

The Lady Lions took second place as a team, coming in behind Bandera and before Iraan, Eldorado and Comstock.

McKenna Moses was the top runner for the Lady Lions, placing third with a time of 13 minutes, 25.69 seconds.

Right behind her was Gabby Treto in fourth place at 13.32.22.

Itzel Esmerado was ninth at 14:23.06. Madison Childress was 11th at 14:49.44. Brenna Hale was 18th at 14:54.75. Alyssa Newlin was 20th at 16:.00.56. Ebony Ramirez was 24th at 16:11.18.

Jackie Guerra was 28th and Makenna Fox was 34th.

The Lions placed third as a team behind Bandera and Comstock and before Sonora, Eldorado and Rocksprings.

Alex Hopper was the top runner for the Lions finishing fifth at 18:30.00.

Roman Esparza was 10th



THE OHS LADY LIONS CROSS-COUNTRY TEAM placed second at the Caverns of Sonora Meet Saturday.

at 19:18.44. Lane Rust was 11th at 19:19.06. Adrian Rodriguez was 16th at 20:30.06. Danny Posadas was 28th at 21:37.25. Noe Medina was

30th at 23:23.69. Chantz Elliott was 58th at 25:57.41.

Ozona also had a team of five in the Fun Run (sixth grade and below) of Adam

Hopper, Ysabella Esparza, Westyn Hubbard, Nikolas Villarreal, Michael Luna and

PLEASE SEE **RUNNING**, PAGE 7

Commissioners discuss TxDOT road grant

BY MELISSA PERNER

THE OZONA STOCKMAN

The Crockett County Commissioners' Court held a workshop Monday over the Texas Department of Transportation's Transportation Infrastructure Fund Grant Workshop.

Nate Buckley, with Grant Works in Austin, discussed the fund with the commissioners to repair County Roads 107 and 209, as well as crushed rock materials.

Crockett County has been approved to receive around \$2.2 million from the County Transportation Infrastructure Fund Grant Program.

The Legislature approved the program in 2013 to address county roads affected by energy development, particularly those counties in South and West Texas seeing the most drilling activity. The funds will be used to pave

and repair county roads.

The commissioners and Buckley went over the summary of the grant requirements.

County Road Supervisor Jeffrey Stuart said his concern was getting the crushed rock first from Black Jack, the company who was awarded the bid, before work begins on the county roads. Stuart said the county plans on using the crushed rock for other county roads.

"Our goal is to be able to work on all three projects at the same time," said County Judge Fred Deaton.

Buckley said he would research on getting the crushed rock first.

They commissioners also set a deadline of May 31, 2016 for the projects.

The next regular commissioners' court meeting will be 9 a.m. Sept. 14 at the courthouse annex. The meeting is open to the public.

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Government intrusion at its worst

My husband and I have been ranching in South Texas for many years, and we have worked hard to care for the land my family lives on today. This same testament holds true for millions of other ranchers and landowners across the country.

Sadly, it seems like every time we turn around the federal government finds another way to try claiming the land and resources that constitutionally belong to us.

One issue that has raged for years is the U.S. Bureau of

Land Management's (BLM) claim that it owns 30,000 acres of land along a 116mile stretch of the Red River on the Texas-Oklahoma border. The Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TS-CRA) has



CATTLEMAN'S COLUMN

LESLIE KINSEL

members along the Red River who are worried about the federal government taking control of their land, and TSCRA shares their concern.

The federal government claims this property has been under its control since the 1803 Louisiana Purchase. Ironically, the federal government has surveyed only about 6,500 acres of the land, and the results are highly questionable. The survey method they used differs greatly from the accepted gradient boundary survey method established by the Supreme Court in

the 1920s

TSCRA and affected citizens believe the BLM's claim to this property is completely bogus. Those who live and own agricultural operations on this stretch of land hold the deeds and continue paying the property taxes. As a landowner myself, the thought of the government taking away property many of these citizens have worked tirelessly and sacrificed to own is unfathomable.

While one of the many Red River land disputes was recently resolved, much work needs to be done to put the entire issue to rest.

Fortunately, U.S. Rep. Mac

Thornberry and Sen. John Cornyn introduced H.R. 2130/S. 1153, the Red River Private Property Protection Act, to protect private landowners along the Red River from federal own-

This legislation includes sev-

eral key provisions to accomplish its intended goal. It commissions a survey of the entire 116-mile stretch of contested area along the river using gra-

dient boundary survey meth-

ership claims.

ods backed by the Supreme Court to find the proper boundary between Texas and Oklahoma. This survey must be paid for by the federal government and conducted by licensed state land surveyors chosen by the Texas General Land Office

Additionally, the legislation provides legal certainty for citizens holding the deed to their property by allowing them to appeal any further public domain claims by BLM through an

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End Texas' voter confusion epidemic

recent study by
Rice University
and the University
of Houston about
the impact of Texas' new voter ID law — and
the confusion surrounding
it — has generated some
alarming headlines.

The study focused on my 2014 campaign in the 23rd Congressional District. I lost that race by about 2,400 votes. But according to the researchers, the results likely would have been different if the voter ID law hadn't been in effect, or if voters had been provided more information about the law.

I'm not one to dwell on the past, and we can't go back and run the race over. But as a parent, I think of this as a teachable moment. We now have more information about how the law was implemented, and we can apply that in future elections.

That's important because Texas' voter participation rate is among the lowest in the country. A healthy democracy requires an engaged citizenry. We cannot and should not accept that thousands of Texans didn't vote simply because they

were confused by new rules. In response to the finding that voter education in 2014 fell short, the Texas secretary of state's office said it spent \$2 million to educate Texans about the new law.

If it was in your account or mine, we'd make \$2 million go a long, long way. But this is a big state, and \$2 million is not nearly enough for a serious statewide campaign in Texas.

The two candidates running for governor in 2014 together spent over \$80 million. My campaign alone spent over \$2 million. And that was just in 29 of Texas' 254 counties and four of the state's 20 media markets.

Money alone won't solve the problem, but there's a reason political campaigns raise and spend so much of it. Reaching voters is expensive, especially in Texas. And we now know that the 2014 voter education campaign failed to reach far too many potential voters, particularly in minority communities.

So what's the answer?
In West Texas, where I'm
from, we don't haggle about
the price of the hose when
something's on fire — we
put out the fire first. I'm not
sounding the alarm to make

noise. We need to fix this.

The voter ID law is currently in limbo because of litigation, and redistricting



TRIB TALK Pete

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still pending. That means voting could be even more confusing in 2016 if we don't proactively address the situation. How do we do it? To start with,

here are five

actionable

ideas:

· Get a full breakdown of how the secretary of state spent that \$2 million in 2014. Most of the confusion among voters was in heavily minority areas. Was that because the campaign did not devote enough resources to those media markets? Were there enough resources devoted to Spanish-language media? Those answers will be important.

· Money alone won't solve this problem. Innovative solutions and help from elected and appointed officials at the grassroots level are also needed. Those officials can hold press conferences in every media market, convene town halls and speak at neighborhood association meetings and community events.

· Collectively, our state officials and agencies have a massive social media presence. Let's put that to work. We've done it before when many of us helped with state health campaigns like "Immunize Your Little Texan by Two."

· Gov. Greg Abbott could help by making this a priority issue for the Legislature. The House Elections Committee and Senate State Affairs Committee could hold field hearings in every media market to assemble local officials, nongovernmental organizations and interested nonprofits to discuss how they could cooperate to end voter confusion.

· Lastly, we've all seen lots of celebrities popping up in ads and rallies during campaign season. Why don't we try to get them engaged now? Let's ask them to use their massive visibility to help address this problem.

The bottom line is that Texans will abide by the rules, but we have to know what the rules are. Texas prides itself on a can-do attitude. We can do this.

PETE GALLEGO, a Democrat from Alpine, served in the U.S. House from 2013 to 2015. Before that, he served in the Texas House for over 20 years.

Clock Work

One of my favorite papers is the Livestock Weekly out of West Texas and in a recent issue there was an ad urging readers to support a bill to end daylight savings time in Texas. Some of the reasons they gave for putting an end to the idiotic tradition included: kids wouldn't have to walk to the bus in darkness, there'd be less insomnia and sleep deprivation, and it would help teachers improve test scores in early morning classes, etc.

I am in full support of any movement to end all this nonsense of springing forward and falling back. I've been on a lifelong crusade to end daylight savings time and explained my reasons in a column 30 years ago. Back then I told of an Indian who, when daylight savings time was explained to him, replied, "Cutting one end off a blanket and sewing it on the other end doesn't make the blanket any shorter or any longer. It just makes it uglier."

Smart Indian.
So I applaud Texans and wish them luck as they try to join Arizona as our most intelligent and less sleep-deprived states. I only wish we could get it killed everywhere. Even the name is idiotic. Who are we kidding? No daylight is being "saved" and it's completely at odds with the natural world. Mother Nature doesn't wear a Seiko, Bulova or Rolex and changing the time on a watch or clock doesn't make the day any longer... it just makes it feel like it.
I feel like a fool resetting all the clocks

IT'S THE PITTS

LEE PITTS

in our house every six months. It's a huge waste of time, especially in my case. The problem is I collect clocks, but not just any clocks. I collect carnival clocks, so called because they were given away sparingly to the winners of the rigged games of chance on carnival midways in the 1930's and 40's. My collection is specialized in that I only collect the clocks that have a horsey or cowboy theme.

I know you've seen the clocks of which I speak. Usually there will be a clock inside a horseshoe and a gold colored horse wearing a parade saddle with at least one tapedero broken off. (I see this so often I think they were manufactured this way). But I also have carnival clocks incorporating a bucking horse, a Roy Rogers look-alike, and a horse and buggy. I even have one with a cowboy twirling a rope that actually twirls and another of a conestoga wagon where the wagon master has a whip that works. Sort of. He whips but the horses don't budge.

You can see what I'm talking about on eBay and even buy one for about \$50, including shipping. Some carnival clocks also have a light on them but I am a purist and don't collect those, besides, they are usu-

ally priced out of my range. (\$75 or more!) I've collected these clocks for decades and year in and year out they have been the best performing asset in my investment portfolio.

As an amateur horologist, I attempt to fix the clock mechanisms which always seem to be broken. This can be as easy as heating the clock with a hair dryer to melt all the collected crud away, rewiring the clock, or switching out the clock for a battery operated one creating a GMC (genetically modified clock).

Some snooty collectors of fine timepieces call these cowboy clocks "Schlock Clocks" but I like to think they are of a "timeless" design. My only complaint is that if I am forced to replace the original clock with a battery operated one it means I have to take off the back of the clock to change the time. Do that about 30 times and you too would come to hate the much dreaded daylight savings time and the mandatory changing of the clocks. I'm always behind on my clockwork and by the time I finish setting them it's time to change them all again.

A wise person once said that a man with two clocks never knows what time it is. What chance do I have of knowing the correct hour of the day with thirty clocks all showing a different time?

Now you know why I support any "movement" that would end daylight savings

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Energy agency chief rails against federal plan

AUSTIN — Texas Railroad Commission Chair David Porter on Aug. 19 spoke against America's Clean Power Plan, a regulatory framework rolled out by the White House on Aug. 3. Texas is one of at least a dozen states lining up in opposition.

Porter called the plan "another blatant attack on the oil and gas industry that will further impede America's energy security, kill jobs and put even more stress on our national and state economies." Porter was elected chair of the three-member commission that oversees the energy industry regulating state agency in June 2014.

President Obama called the final version of the plan to reduce methane emissions from the energy and agriculture industries "the biggest step we've ever taken to combat climate change." Obama said the plan "sets the first-ever carbon pollution standards

for power plants while providing states and utilities with the flexibility they need to meet those standards."

The plan is designed to reduce premature deaths attributed to power plant emissions by nearly 90 percent in 2030 compared to 2005 and decrease pollutants that contribute to soot and smog and can lead to more asthma attacks in kids by more than 70 percent, Obama said. The plan also would spur the creation of tens of thousands of jobs while ensuring grid-reliability, the president added.

On Aug. 3, Gov. Greg Abbott reacted to the president's announcement, saying: "Texas will lead the fight against an overreaching federal government that seems hell-bent on threatening the free-market principles this country was founded on."

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TO BE LAUNCHED

Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, who presides over the state Senate, and Senate Criminal Justice Committee Chair John Whitmire, D-Houston, on Aug. 18 announced an interim study on Texas jail standards.

JAIL STUDY

This comes in the wake of the death of Sandra Bland, a woman who in July was found dead in a Waller County jail cell three days after she was arrested and jailed following a traffic stop. The death was ruled a suicide but questions remain.

"Our criminal justice system assumes a great responsibility for the people in our custody. In many instances, individuals have unresolved issues in their lives, particularly a mental illness, which has resulted in their arrest. It is our responsibility to make

certain we have the necessary tools and resources to meet the health, welfare and safety needs of every individual in our custody," Whitmire said.



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Wilcox-Komechak to wed in November

Mark and Tanya Wilcox, of Breckenridge, Texas, are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter Kelsey Wilcox to Russel Komechak, son of Cindy Reavis Komechak and fiancé David Kuhnell and Gil and Karen Komechak, of Ozona.

Kelsey is a graduate of Breckenridge High School and received her bachelor of science in nursing from Texas Tech University and is currently employed at Hendricks Hospital in Abilene.

Russel is a graduate of Ozona High School and is currently employed at Kinder Morgan in Iraan.

The couple will marry on November 7, 2015 in Breckenridge.

Crockett County 4-H Playday Sunday

Crockett County 4-H will host a Playday Sunday, Aug. 30, at the Fair Park Arena.

Books open from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Playday starts at 1 p.m.

The event is open for boys and girls age groups: Leadline, 8 and under, 12

and under, 13-15 and 16-19. Events: Barrel Racing, Straight Barrels, Pole Bending, Flag Race, Goat Ribbon Pulling, Goat Tying, Goat

Roping, Breakaway Roping, Team Roping, Steer Stopping and Hair Pulling. For more information, call (325) 226-9038.

Howard College offering free GED, ESL classes

Howard College Adult **Education and Literacy (AEL)** would like to know if you are interested in attending GED or ESL classes in the Ozona area.

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ed in Howard College offering English as a Second Language or GED classes, can call (325) 481-8323 or email Ael@howardcollege.edu.

free to the public.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Aug. 26 - Stockton Bean, Amy Conner, Bryan Skehan, Jimmie Jacoby, Shelby Kathryn Wilson and Chris Sanchez

Aug. 27 - Brenda Talamantez, Mark Marshall, Chad Poindexter, Jacob Santiago, Serria Rodriquez, Bryce Anthony Gray, Juan M. Castro and Nancy Rodriguez

Aug. 28 - Mylin Hernandez, Gabe Longoria III, Johnny Porras Jr., Connie Fowler, Annie Luna, Weston Fay and Marcus Badillo

Aug. 29 – Marsha Tebbetts, Daniela Mata, Vincente Mata, Charli West, Victoria Williams and Della Garcia

Aug. 30 – Michael Daniels,

Bridal Selections Jennifer Marquez, bride-elect of Michael Medina, Jr. Christi Smith bride-elect of **Brandon Nichols** Niki Pressler, bride-elect of Wesley Bishop **Ashley Wallace** bride-elect of Cody Hunnicutt Petals & Pearls 701 1st St. 325-392-3978

Freddy Leija, Rosario "Shio" Tambunga, Lyn Morgan, Finley Allen, Meagan and Morgan Espinosa, Dolores Mata, Raevon Johnson, Daniel Landin and Irma Cruz

Aug. 31 - Beth Sims, Brenda Newton, Robert A. Rodriguez, Alex Rodriguez, Melvin Conner, Joe Stewart, Betty Castro and Hilario Guadarrama

Sept. 1 - Tammy Raymond, Albert Ramos Jr. and Tommy De Hoyos

These classes will be

Mr. and Mrs. John Daniel Crowder

John Daniel Crowder and Shanon Lyn Biggerstaff are happy to announce they were married Friday, August 14. A small ceremony performed by Crockett County Justice of the Peace Evelyn Lozano was held at their Ozona home in the presence of family.

John Daniel is a long-time resident and graduate of Ozona High School. He is the son of Bill Crowder, who operated BR Crowder Production Company for many years, with his wife Barbara. John Daniel is the owner and operator of JD Crowder Contract Pumping and Consulting.

Shanon, is the daughter of USAF retiree Carl "Al" Biggerstaff and mother Barbara. Shanon came to Ozona in 1998 and is currently the President of the Ozona Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center.

Karnes graduates from Texas A&M-Corpus Christi

Rose Marie Karnes graduated from Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi during the 2015 Summer Com-

mencement on Aug. 8.

Karnes graduated with

her bachelor of arts degree.

A&M-Corpus Christi, the only university in the United States located on its own island, is a member of the Texas A&M University System.

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ed to be given away all af-

ternoon. Donations can be

dropped off at the church

on Sunday, Sept. 20. Every-

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This years festival will be

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Let's all help this years

OLPH Dies Y Sies De Septiembre Festival Sept. 20

BY ELIGIO MARTINEZ OLPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

OLPH Sept. 16 festival planning is underway and queen contestants are need-

Events include, music by local DJ's TKO and Sonido Juanes, food booths, cake auction and games.

A meal will be sold by Guadalupanas mass.

Parade floats and participants need to line up in front of the church before 2 p.m.

Food booths are available for \$75 each and all earnings will be kept by the booths renters.

Three main raffle prizes valued at \$500 each have been donated by The Knights of Columbus, The Cursillistas and The Guadalupanas organizations.

Tickets will be sold by Parish Council members and parishioners for \$2 each.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Wednesday, August 26

- Exercise Class, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Blood pressure and diabetes checks, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Prayer Group, 3 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Thursday, August 27

- Balance Exercise, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Quilting, 9:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Movies, 2 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- 4-H Meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the 4-H Office.
- OHS JV Lions vs. Mason, 6 p.m. at Lion Stadium.

Friday, August 28

- Balance Exercise, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Blood Drive, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at Crockett National Bank.
- OHS Varsity Lions vs. Mason, 7:30 p.m. at Mason.

Saturday, August 29

OHS Cross-Country at Lubbock.

Sunday, August 30

- Crockett County 4-H Playday, books open 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., playday at 1 p.m. at the Fair Park Arena.
- Bingo, 3 p.m. at the OLPH Parish Hall.

Monday, August 31

- Exercise Class, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Overeaters Anonymous, 3 p.m. at the Ozona United Methodist Church.
- OHS Band Practice, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Lion Stadium.
- CCCCSD School Board meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Building.

Tuesday, September 1

Balance exercises, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.

Wednesday, September 2

- OHS Cross-Country at Christoval.
- Exercise Class, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Blood pressure and diabetes checks, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Prayer Group, 3 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Community Christmas Choir Practice, 6 p.m. at the First Baptist Church.
- AWANA Training, 6:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church.







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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.

AUG. 26

Turkey tetrazzini, peas and carrots, romaine salad, dressing, garlic bread stick, cherry cake and milk.

AUG. 27

· Barbecue chicken, herbed corn, green beans with onions, fresh tossed salad, dressing, wheat roll, pineapple pudding and milk.

AUG. 28

· Baked fish and tarter sauce, black-eyed peas, Mexican squash, coleslaw, wheat roll, brownie and milk. **AUG. 31**

· Country ham, whipped sweet potatoes, seasoned vegetables, wheat roll, margarine, ambrosia cup and milk.

SEPT. 1

· Beef tips with brown gravy, egg noodles, Tuscan blend vegetables, bread stick, strawberries and peaches, lemon iced cookie and milk.





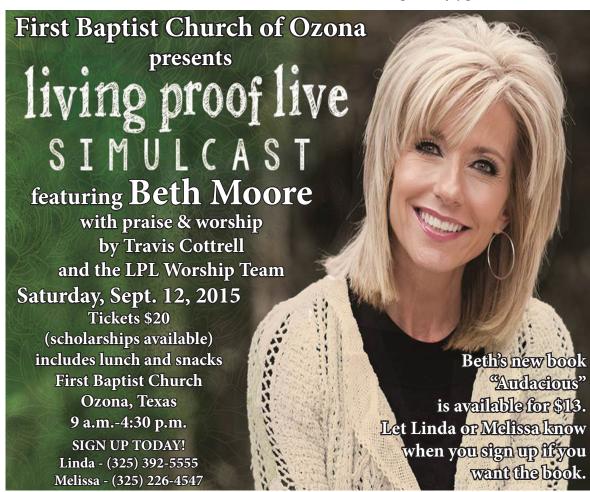
Country Store

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JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN

THE CROCKETT COUNTY CARE CENTER held a carnival last week. Residents got to enjoy games and food.



MY LITTLE SQUARE I think I first got the idea one Sunday evening in a church fellowship hall while listening to a speaker tell of how God was using him. As he was speaking I noticed that the fellowship hall had a tile floor and each tile was about one foot square. Looking at the tiles I imagined that one of those squares represented my life. It was like a clean chalkboard and I was asking God if He could or would use me (Isaiah 55:6, Matthew 7:7&8). I wanted to surrender and commit my life and time to Him (Psalms10: 17&37:4&5). I wanted Him to fill or put

	things (ways of serving Him) in that little square. I had no idea what would be involved but after that prayer I									
	am very careful not to say no when I am asked to do something for the Lord. I think God is more interested in									
工	the attitude of our heart than what we are able to do. I also think we have to be very careful in our materialistic									
	culture today where we can have so many nice things, so many pleasure all around us and wealth maybe at-									
	tainable with two working or eighty hour work week that if we are not careful they will occupy all of our time									
		and there won't be any time left for God. What's in your little area or square?								
	See you in Church next Sunday.	•								
	See you in church next sunday.		_							
1	Apostolic Church 1908 Santa Anna St. Pastor Refugio Vega Sunday School: 3 p.m. Sunday Worship: 4 p.m.	Iglesia de Dios De La Profecia 102 Man O'War St. Pastor Maria C. Salcedo Lunes: 6 p.m. Domingo: 9:45 a.m., 6 p.m.	Our Lady of Perpetual Help 219 Martinez St. Fr. Patrick Akpanobong Sun. Mass: 9 a.m. in Sheffield; 11 a.m. in Ozona Every Second Sunday of the Month:							
	Tuesday & Thursday Service: 7 p.m. Domingo: 9:45 a.m., 6 p.m. Sun. Mass: 9 a.m. in Ozon. Martes: 6 p.m. Jueves: 6 p.m. Tues Sat. Ma									
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XXXXX	Faith Lutheran Church 802 1st St. Pastor Tom Baden Worship: Sunday - 7 p.m. Bible Class: Sunday - 6 p.m.	New Beginnings Ozona "churchbut different" 354 Highway 163 South Pastor JC Cantu Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Wednesday: 7 p.m. (325) 226-3060 www.newbeginningsozona.com	Ozona United Methodist Church 12 - 11th St. Pastor Jean Reardon Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.							
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7	Worship: 11 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m.	Sunday Bible Study: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m. THIS SUNDAY Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday Family Service: 6:30 p.m.								
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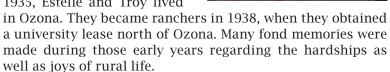
OBITUARIES

Estelle Reid Williams

Estelle Reid Williams died in a San Angelo hospital on Aug. 18, 2015, after a brief illness.

She was born to J.A. and Martha Ella (Jones) Reid on Oct. 8, 1918, in Sweetwater, Texas. She attended school in Tankersley, Texas, where her family owned a cotton gin and general store. There she met her future husband, a young grocer from Ozona named Troy Williams.

After their marriage in 1935, Estelle and Troy lived



Estelle worked alongside Troy through their various endeavors throughout the years. When he went to law school in Austin, Estelle stayed in Ozona to manage the ranching interests, which she did quite successfully. She was always a reliable, supportive helpmate.

Humorously, she was awarded a PHT degree from the University of Texas Law School at the same time that Troy graduated. The PHT stood for Putting Hubby Through. He readily acknowledged that he could not have completed law school without her help.

Estelle was especially fond of Paisano Baptist Encampment and looked forward to camp each summer when many members of her family attended, making the occasion a family reunion. Her devotion to her family was great. Estelle was always interested in their activities and was proud of their accomplishments.

She was a quiet person, but very perceptive and astute in her assessment of people. Any error in judgment on her part was usually to think better of someone than the person deserved.

Estelle and Troy were blessed with four children during their 72 years of marriage, Jacquelyn Williams Shacklette, Bill T. Williams, Larry R. Williams and Kathryn Williams Mayfield. Bill and Kathryn both preceded their mother in death.

Estelle is survived by her daughter, Jacquelyn Shacklette of San Angelo. Estelle's son, Larry R. Williams of Ozona also survives. Daughters-in-law Elaine and Rosalind Williams and son-in-law Richard Mayfield, all of Ozona, survive her. Estelle's sister, Bonnie Reid Gober of San Angelo, survives her also.

She had eight grandchildren. They are Peter Shacklette, Summer Shacklette, John Williams, Candace Williams, Martha Mayfield Sheppard, Slate Williams, Sara Mayfield Grannis and Tom Ben Williams. She has six great-grandchildren also.

Services were officiated by Rev. John Curry on Saturday, Aug. 22, at First Baptist Church in Ozona with interment following in Cedar Hill Cemetery.

The family requests memorials be made to Paisano Baptist Encampment, PO Box 973, Alpine, Texas 79831, First Baptist Church of Ozona or a charity of one's choice.

Online condolences can be made at kerbowfuneralhome.com.

OZONA SENIOR HAPPENINGS

Movies every Thursday

BY BRENDA NEWTON SENIOR CENTER DIRECTOR

School has started! Summer is over! I forgot to take vacation. It was just too hot to go anywhere since I did not take it when it was cool. Oh well, enough about that. I hope all of you had a great summer and got to see your grandkids and spoil them a little. Love all the pictures on Facebook of the students starting back to school. My how the years have passed.

We have received a huge response to the Howard College GED classes. Please give us a call here at the center, 392-9094, or stop by and see the printouts they gave me.

The movie for Aug. 27 will be "Free Willy" starring Jayson James Richter, Lori Petty, Jayne Atkinson, Austin Schellenberg, Jon Tenney, Elizabeth Pena and Michel Madson. This movie is 7,000 pounds of best friend. We did now show this one last week since no one wanted to see it on Thursday. We will try again this week. Don't miss it. Come on out and enjoy yourself with popcorn and drinks Thursday at 2 p.m.

Don't forget the Thunderbird. They are available to help you get around. Just give them a call and leave a message. Be sure to say who you are and where you are. They will call you back. Call us at 392-9094 if you do not have their number.

First, you cut a lemon in half, then dip it in salt. Now, use it to scrub any stains or leftover food off your cutting board. The citric acid in the lemon helps to naturally remove the stain while the salt helps scrub it away. You can also use this tip when trying to remove a stain from dishes or pots and pans. Lemons and salt work so well together. I have even used this method to remove rust stains from my porcelain sink.

Exercise - 9 a.m. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday

Bridge - 1:30 p.m. on Mondays

Balance exercise - Tuesday and Thursday at 9 a.m. Prayer Group - Wednes-

day at 3 p.m. Quilting -Thursday morning at 9:30 a.m.

Movies - Thursday afternoon at 2 p.m. Come on out, the coffee is on.



at the OLPH Parish Hall

Youth will be selling sweets & drinks!

OVFD receives \$3,000 donation from Jacam

The Ozona Volunteer Fire Department was presented with a check last week for \$3,000 from Jacam.

Jacam is a service company and manufacturer of oilfield chemicals. Formerly known as Southwest Treating Products, Jacam has a warehouse and employee presence in Ozona, and recognizes the importance of the volunteer fire department in keeping the community safe.

Fire Chief Brian Morrow said he will use the funds to help purchase all-weather, high-visibility reflective jackets for the volunteer firefighters.

"We're pleased to help equip the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department," said Kelly Baggett, regional manager. "The safety of our employees and our neighbors is the highest priority for Jacam. and we are glad to have the opportunity to support this cause."



THE OZONA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT received a check for \$3,000 from Jacam. Fire Chief Brian Morrow (right) said the department will use

the funds for all-weather, high-visibility reflective jackets.



A GROUP OF WOUNDED WARRIORS stopped to eat lunch last week in Ozona. Lunch was provided by Mi Taco.

Prospects bright for dove and early teal seasons

BY STEVE LIGHTFOOT TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE

AUSTIN - Dove hunters will have more opportunity earlier in the season with dates and bag limits finalized recently by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has approved the 2015-2016 Texas dove season, including a 70-day season and 15-bird daily bag statewide, and a 16-day early teal and Canada goose season.

The traditional Sept. 1 dove season opening day in the North and Central Zones remains. The first segment in those zones will be five days longer than last season, closing on Sunday, Oct. 25. The season will reopen Friday, Dec. 18 and run through Friday, Jan. 1, 2016 in the North and Central Zones.

In the South Zone, the first segment will be longer by two days compared to last year. The South Zone opens Friday, Sept. 18 and runs through Wednesday, Oct. 21. The second segment will run Friday, Dec. 18 through Friday, Jan. 22, 2016.

The daily bag limit for doves statewide is 15 and the possession limit is 45.

The Special White-winged Dove Area will be restricted to afternoon only (noon to sunset) hunting the first two full September weekends on Sept. 5-6 and 12-13. Hunting in this area will reopen Friday, Sept. 18 and continue through Wednesday, Oct. 21, and then reopen Friday, Dec. 18 through Monday, Jan. 18, 2016. During the early two weekends, the daily bag limit is 15 birds, to include not more than two mourning doves and two white-tipped doves. Once the general season opens, the aggregate bag limit will be 15 with no more than two white-tipped doves.

"Age-ratios (juveniles versus adults) from last season indicated very strong production in mourning doves across Texas last year; we expect similar or slightly increased

improved habitat conditions across nearly all of Texas," said Shaun Oldenburger, TP-WD's dove program leader.

Duck hunters can anticipate improved conditions for the September early teal season as abundant rains have filled lakes and marshes for the first time in several years. With record numbers of teal expected to make their way into Texas during the upcoming months, prospects should be good.

A 16-day statewide early teal and Eastern Zone Canada goose season will run Saturday, Sept. 12 through Sunday, Sept. 27. The daily bag on teal remains six, with a possession limit of 18. Bag limit for Canada geese will be three and a possession limit of six in the Eastern Zone only.

Hunters are reminded that licenses can be purchased through the agency's 28 field offices, more than 50 state parks and at over 1,700 retailers across the state. Licenses may also be purchased online through the TPWD website at www.tpwd.state.tx.us/buy or by phone at 1-800-895-4248. Call center hours are Monday through Friday, 8 p.m. to 5 p.m. and there is a required \$5 administrative fee for each phone or online transaction. The online transaction system is available 24/7. For online and phone orders, a physical license will be mailed within three busi-

production this year with the ness days. During that time period, a transaction receipt will be provided via email that will be sufficient proof of hunting license and required endorsements that can be used for dove hunting, though it will not be allowed for the take of fish or wildlife that require a tag.

Hunting and fishing regulations for the new season can be found in the 2015-2016 Outdoor Annual, currently available at license retailers, online at www.txoutdoorannual.com and via the free Outdoor Annual mobile app available for Apple and Android devices.

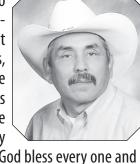
In addition to a hunting license, anyone born after Sept. 1, 1971, must successfully complete a hunter education training course or purchase a one-time deferral good for one license vear in order to hunt legally in Texas. The certification is valid for life. More information on hunter education certification is available online at www.tpwd.state.tx.us/outdoorlearning/hunter-education.

A Migratory Game Bird endorsement and Harvest Information Program (HIP) certification are also required to hunt dove or teal in September. HIP certification involves a brief survey of previous year's migratory bird hunting success and is conducted at the time licenses are purchased. Duck hunters also need to purchase a Federal Duck Stamp.

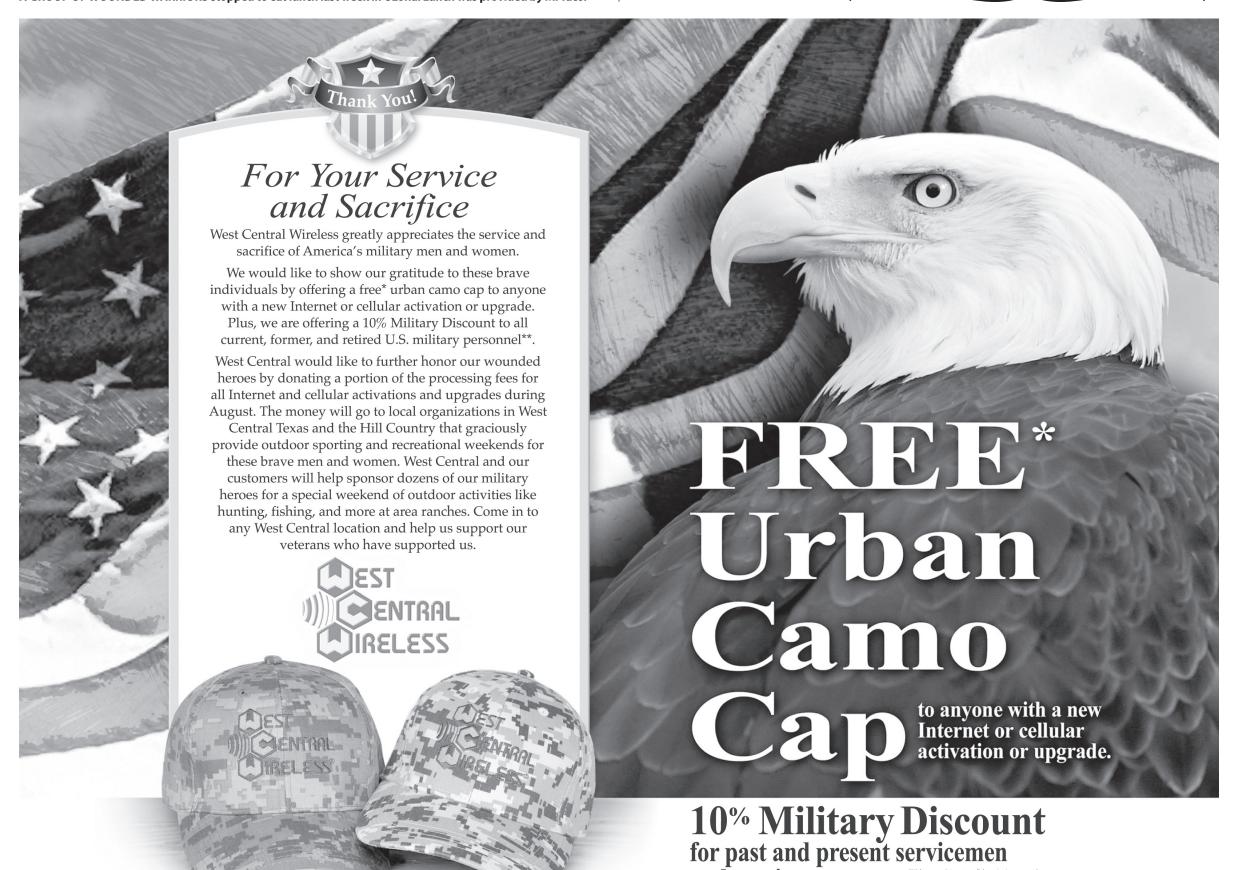


We would like to take this time to thank everyone that made any contribution and took time to show support during this period of grief. All the hugs, words of support and condolences made this time a little easier for us. Friends and family are greatly appreciated. We are grateful for the love the community demonstrated towards my family. May God bless every one and

thank every one again.



Rosie, Loreno, Miguel Jr., Ruben Rivas & Avilez Family



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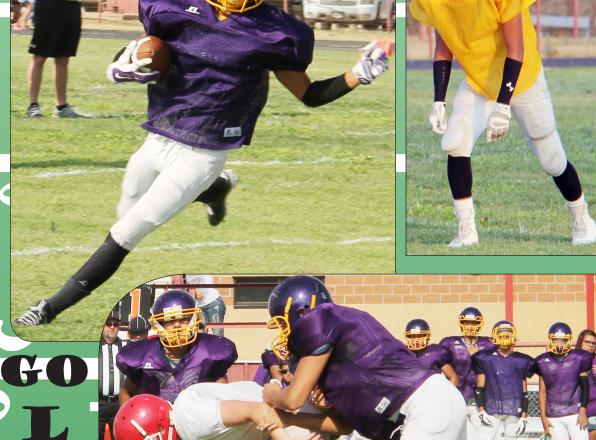
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Thursday, Aug. 27 vs. Mason - 7:30 p.m. - Lion Stadium

CRUSS COUNTRY Saturday, Aug. 29

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KELLY SEWELL (right) and KAMRYN LOZANO played with Nitro-16U softball team from Del Rio, Texas in the Babe Ruth 16U Softball World Series in Jensen Beach, Fla.

OZONA ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB

Football program ads available

The Ozona Athletic Boosters are selling ads for this year's football program. Any business, or individ-

ual, interested in placing an ad can call Annette DeHoyos at (325) 277-0675 or Sylvia Fay at (325) 259-5001.

CROCKETT COUNTY 4-H NEWS

4-H MEETING

The first 4-H meeting of the new year will be 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 27.

Officer elections will be held at this time, so mark your calendars.

2015-2016 **OPEN ENROLLMENT**

Enrollment for the 2015-2016 year will be open on 4-H Connect began Saturday, Aug. 15. Be sure to logon to texas.4honline.com to complete/update your 4-H Family profile.

All member profiles change to inactive on Aug. 15, therefore, all adults and youth are required to re-enroll for the new 4-H year. Profile items change every year so it is important to up-

date all information before submitting.

LAMBS OR GOATS

Crockett County 4-Hers who plan to show lambs or goats, call Aaron Renfroe at (325) 392-2721 or (325) 226-0761 as soon as possible.

It is time to star purchasing projects.

4- H OFFICE

The Crockett County 4-H Office can be reached at (325) 392-2721.

Aaron Renfroe, CEA-AG/NR, can be reached at (325) 226-0761 or arenfroe@ ag.tamu.edu.

Kailey Roberts, CEA-FCS, can be reached at (210) 705-2887 or kailey.roberts@ ag.tamu.edu.



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN PAISLEIGH REYES IS NOT A HAPPY CAMPER on the first day of school.



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN ON THE OTHER HAND, ALEX TRUJILLO is thrilled to be back at school.



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN

ANNA SHAFFER is hard at work on her first day at Ozona Elementary.

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OES LUNCH TIME

Parents are encouraged to send a students' lunch with the child each day.

If a parent needs to deliver a lunch to their child, the lunch must be delivered to the office no later than 9 a.m., in a brown bag with the student's name and grade on it. Please remember that no carbonated cola drinks are allowed at OES.

"We have designated days for parents to eat with their child at OES. Our staff and cafeteria cannot accommodate parents or visitors except on designated days. We will send notice to parents as those opportunities come around during the school year," McWilliams

OES FOOTBALL GAME **FRIDAYS**

Cheerleaders will visit with our students in the mornings on game days. Tattoos, eye black, and ribbons will be issued in class.

Please send money with your child to purchase tattoos, eye black or ribbons, and that will take place in the class room.

DROP OFF INSTRUCTIONS FOR OES

- 1. OES will open doors for our students each day at 7:15am.
- 2. Parents may accompany their child into the building on the first day of school only.
- 3. Our front entrance, facing Highway 163, is reserved for our bus students.
- 4. All students may be dropped off at either the gym/pavilion area or south cafeteria entrance facing the community center.
- 5. Pre-K and Kinder students may be dropped off at the Pre-K/Kinder entrance

DISMISSAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR OES

- 1. Dismissal areas: a. Pre-K (2:45 p.m.),
- Kinder (3 p.m.), first grade (3 p.m.) will dismiss at the south doors facing the Community Center. Parents in the "pick-up line" will stay in the vehicle, and staff will deliver your child to the vehicle to keep the line moving. There will be only one moving line in this area.
- b. Second grade (3 p.m.) and third grade (3:15 p.m.) will dismiss in the east parking lot behind the OES building facing the OLPH Catholic Church. Parents in the "pickup line" will stay in the vehicle, and staff will deliver your child to the vehicle to keep the line moving. There will be only two moving lines in this
- area. c. Fourth and fifth grade (3:15 p.m.) will dismiss on the north end of the building next to the gym. Parents in the "pick-up line" will stay in the vehicle, and staff will deliver your child to the ve-

hicle to keep the line moving. There will be only one moving line in this area.

- 2. Parents are always welcome to park their car in the lot and walk up to pick up their child. However, parents in the moving line will stay in the vehicle and allow staff to bring the child to them.
- 3. Our front entrance, facing State Highway 163, is reserved for our bus students.
- 4. Fourth and fifth grade parents will use the second lane closer to the highway that runs between the staff parked cars to access the line for their pick-up
- 5. All parents are encouraged to visit with staff if picking up multiple children, so that parents only have to go through one line to pick up all children in the family.

SCHOOL TRAFFIC LAWS

The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is reminding Texans to watch for children who are walking to and from school or waiting for buses. Drivers should be especially cautious around school buses - which make frequent stops - and always follow traffic laws related to school buses and school zones.

"DPS urges Texas drivers to use extra caution on the roadways in their communities as the academic year gets underway," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "DPS will not tolerate motorists who disregard school zone speed limits or illegally pass stopped school buses - these reckless drivers not only break the law, but they put our children in danger."

One of the most dangerous times of a student's trip on a school bus is when they are entering or exiting the bus. Drivers are urged to slow down and pay attention in school zones since children may step into a roadway without checking for oncoming traffic.

State law requires that approaching drivers stop when a bus is stopped and operating a visual signal - either red flashing lights or a stop sign. Drivers should not proceed until the school bus resumes motion; the driver is signaled by the bus driver to proceed; or the visual signal is no longer activated. A driver does not have to stop for a school bus if it is on a highway with roadways separated by an intervening space or physical barrier. (If a highway is divided only by a leftturning lane, the roadways are not considered separated, and drivers must stop for school buses.)

Drivers who illegally pass school buses face fines up to \$1,250 for a first offense. For individuals convicted of this offense more than once, the law allows DPS to suspend the driver license for up to six months. (A ticket for illegally passing a school bus cannot be dismissed through defensive driving.)



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN

THE OHS BOY'S CROSS COUNTY TEAM PLACED THIRD in the Caverns of Sonora Trail Run cross country meet held on Saturday, Aug. 22.

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Sawyer Mecke.

"It was a great start to the season. We saw eight stateranked teams at the meet, including number one Comstock and number six 4A Bandera," said Coach John Esparza. "We do have a lot of work to do. It's a long season, but I am very proud of the way we competed and very excited about the year to come."

The OHS Cross-Country Teams will run in Lubbock Saturday, Aug. 29, and in Christoval on Sept. 2.



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN



GABBY TRETO

JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN **ITZEL ESMERALDO**

OHS Band Student of the Week



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Elementary PTO meeting Sept. 8

Ozona Elementary School PTO (Parent Teacher Organization) meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. September 8 at the OES Cafeteria.

All elementary parents are invited to attend.

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.

STARTING AUG. 1:

- 1. Graduated Seniors memberships HAVE EXPIRED.
- 2. Sixth graders entering seventh grade may attend the youth center with **EIGHTH GRADE.**
- 3. Eighth graders entering ninth grade may attend the **YOUTH CENTER WITH** THE HIGH SCHOOL.



Groundwater districts seek help tracking disposal wells

BY JIM MALEWITZ TEXAS TRIBUNE

Four years ago, a 64-yearold Dimmit County well spewed roughly 260 barrels of petroleum fluid that killed grasses and shrubs on surrounding ranchland. The likely cause, experts say: injections into a nearby disposal well, a deep underground resting place for millions of gallons of oil and gas waste. Injected at high pressures, the waste migrated below ground, putting pressure on fluids that leaked from the oil well more than a quartermile away.

"This office considers the existence of the breakout to be a direct result of the injection," the Texas Railroad Commission told the disposal well's operator in May 2011, saying the episode offered "a threat of groundwater contamination.'

Though the agency ultimately cleaned up the mess and shut down the disposal well, groundwater experts say, the incident served as a vivid reminder that waste injections gone wrong could endanger water sources.

Groundwater ers weren't closely tracking disposal wells in their districts in 2011. Now, amid a surge of disposal wells in drilling country - pipes designed to carry the waste far below freshwater aguifers - groundwater officials are trving to keep a close eye on the roughly 7,500 waste sites and counting. But groundwater conservation districts are struggling to track new



A 2011 IMAGE of the Mogford oil well well, which spewed hydrocarbons onto ranchland in Dimmit County, Some experts linked the "breakout" to nearby oilfield waste injections.

permits, and they are looking for help from the industry and its regulators. They want energy companies to notify them directly when they apply to drill new wells.

"It feels like they don't want people to know," said Lisa Campbell, a Texas Tech University professor who heads public health departments across four South Texas counties and helped groundwater managers petition the Texas Railroad Commission to bolster notification requirements. "[Water] is a precious resource, and if we don't protect it, we're going to lose it."

The Railroad Commission and industry groups say current rules are good enough, and they point to an online database of permits that anyone can check.

"The Railroad Commission's existing notification requirements for disposal wells are transparent and fairly extensive," Ramona Nye, the agency's spokesman, said in an email.

Texas law requires some notification. Disposal well applicants must directly notify landowners bordering the proposed waste site and the relevant county clerk. Anyone else interested must scour local newspapers for one-column notices with a few details: the company's name, the well's depth and a vague description of its location (eight miles northeast of Carrizo Springs, for example).

Officials with the Wintergarden Groundwater Conservation District in South Texas, for instance, sometimes spot more than 10 notices a week, meaning that one employee spends hours checking three different newspapers for notices, they say.

"It's just a very problematic set of circumstances," said Hugh Fitzsimons, a bison rancher and member of the district. "It is inordinately taxing on our one person in the office to do that."

The groundwater officials' plea to drillers and regulators is simple: Send a note, even just an email.

"If you want to be a good neighbor, tell your neighbor you're coming to town," said Campbell. "We're not trying to interfere with the commerce of oil and gas. That's impossible. We're in Texas - hello."

But industry groups, which call disposal wells safe, say such a change is unnecessary.

The Texas Oil and Gas Association said its members "routinely engage with other stakeholders like groundwater districts near their operations," Todd Staples, the group's president, said in a statement, adding that districts can find information online.

Last legislative session, state Sen. Carlos Uresti offered Senate Bill 517, which would have required drillers to notify groundwater districts within 10 miles of a proposed well. The bill failed to draw a hearing amid pushback from several petroleum interests, including the Texas Oil and Gas Association, the Texas Independent Producers and Royalty Owners Association, and Marathon Oil.

"They just believed it was an additional burden for them," said Jerry Needham, an aide to the San Antonio Democrat. "These groundwater districts should be aware of what's going in, and have a say."

"TIPRO maintains it is not necessary to enforce additional notification requirements for disposal well applicants because of the regulatory prerequisites already enforced by the state of Texas," Ed Longanecker, president of the royalty owner group, said in a statement to The Texas Tribune.

On April 13, the groundwater managers petitioned the Railroad Commission to adopt new notification requirements. The agency rejected the request two weeks later, writing that "the current rule adequately addresses notification procedures in a variety of circumstances."

Nye, the Railroad Commission spokeswoman, said the agency "will continue to explore ways to enhance existing publicly available data on these permit applications," and suggested that groundwater districts should reference an online database that includes information about disposal well permits.

Critics said that continuously checking the database would prove more cumbersome than simply receiving a notification, and they worry that it would not be updated frequently enough for their purposes. Some groundwater district officials said they did not know about the database.

Groundwater districts or any other "affected party"

can protest a disposal well permit at the Railroad Commission, often gaining some concessions from a company - agreements to drill deeper below a freshwater aquifer or to bolster other safeguards, for instance. Parties generally have 15 days after a notice goes out or an application is filed - whichever date is later - to file a protest.

The Railroad Commission generally updates its database every two or three days, Nye said.

Several South Texas districts challenge most permits they come across, usually reaching agreements before going to a contested-case hearing - drawn-out processes resembling trials, which are held before an administrative law judge. In the past two years, roughly 10 percent of Wintergarden's 230-plus challenges have resulted in hearings, Ed Walker, the district's general manager, said.

But to challenge a permit, the districts must first realize it exists.

The dispute over notification comes as some industry interests have sought to bar groundwater districts from challenging permits altogether, arguing that the extra scrutiny creates regulatory uncertainty. The Railroad Commission left that question unaddressed last year in a high-profile challenge of a Marathon Oil disposal well.

Marathon Oil declined to comment for this story.

Barbara Smith, who tracks disposal well permits for the Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District and was not previously aware of the database, said just knowing the GPS coordinates of a planned disposal well can help immensely, allowing her to quickly check for water wells nearby. And the district is happy to share that information with drillers, who are required to study the quarter-mile radius around the proposed well.

"We could help them out," Smith said.



Second annual Ranch/Stock Horse Short Course Sept. 19 in Alpine

BY STEVE BYRNS

TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION

ALPINE - West Texas horsemen should saddle up and head for the second annual Ranch/Stock Horse Short Course set for Sept. 19 at the San Antonio Livestock Exposition Arena or "SALE" Arena at Sul Ross State University's Turner Range Animal Science Center, East U.S. Highway 90 in Alpine.

The multi-county Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service event starts with registration at 8:30 a.m. followed by the program from 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. The AgriLife Extension offices in Presidio and Brewster/Jeff Davis counties will host the short course.

"As a knowledgeable horseman, Dr. Dennis Sigler, AgriLife Extension state horse specialist, will bring a wealth of knowledge to Far West Texas," said Jesse Lea Schneider, AgriLife Extension agent in Presidio County.

Schneider said all horses coming to the event must have current proof of a nega-

tive Coggins test. Individual adult registration is \$10 as is registration for youth not enrolled in the 4-H program. The program is free for currently enrolled 4-H members. RSVP by Sept. 15 to Schneider at (432) 295-0342.

The short course topics and presenters will include:

· Procedures for Showing and Judging Ranch/Stock Horses, Sigler.

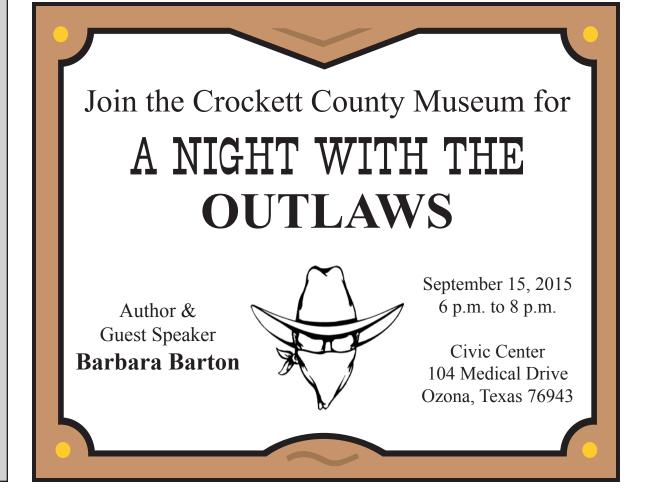
Nutrition and Conditioning for the Working Horse, Sigler. Poisonous Plants and ID, Dr. Bruce Carpenter, AgriLife Extension livestock specialist at Fort Stockton.

Lunch for participants will be sponsored by Johnson's Feed and Western Wear of Alpine.

After lunch participants should have their mounts saddled and in the arena for pattern work and an introduction to cow work. The program will conclude with advanced cow work.

For more information, call Schneider at (432) 295-0342 or Logan Boswell, AgriLife Extension agent for Brewster/Jeff Davis counties, at (432) 837-6207.





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In April 2011, the board unanimously approved a resolution authorizing around \$3.4 million funding from the Qualified School Construction Bond (QSCB) pro-

While the name is misleading, the QSCB is not a traditional school bond, but instead a low-interest loan program through the federal government stimulus program.

The district used the funds for repairs and renovations around the district.

"Regardless of amount we choose to pay out of fund balance we would add \$231,000 into our operating budget this year. We would use that amount to cover the \$106,000 increase of insurance," Chavarria said. "I think we did a great job in coming up with this plan."

Raedene Mendoza, the district's payroll clerk, presented the board with information about the school's health insurance plans.

Mendoza said 90 percent of the school districts are participating on the state's Teacher Retirement System plan using Aetna and Scott & White health plans.

Mendoza said districts that are not on the state plan are self-insured, which can be a risk.

Mendoza also said doctor coverage depends on which plan the employee chooses. She also said the insurance company is not releasing published lists anymore because they are adding or subtracting providers every day. Instead, the companies are wanting people to go their websites.

"They are putting a lot of responsibility on the employees themselves. For a school district like us, we're use to good customer service," Mendoza said.

For each employee, Mendoza provided a breakdown handout of the increase for each plan and websites and phone numbers of all provid-

"My point is when you have an emergency you don't have time to look it up," said Roland DeHoyos, board member. "What gets me we haven't had any kind of representative come down."

Manager Cynthia Hokit said they have tried repeatedly and sent requests to have representatives from Aetna come in person.

Board Vice President Orlando DeHoyos asked about doing a survey asking employees their thoughts on the insurance.

Hokit said that could be arranged.

"Aetna is still new and I think they are overwhelmed,"

Mendoza said.

After the board meeting in closed session for an hour, they approved hiring Sally Oglesby as a teacher at OHS.

AUG. 19 REGULAR MEETING

The board held their regular meeting on Aug. 19.

At that meeting, the board discussed a proposal to honor the late Coach L.T. "Rip" Sewell.

During the July 27 meeting, Orlando DeHoyos made the suggestion of renaming Lion Stadium after Sewell.

Sewell, who died on July 4, coached in Ozona from 1968-1989.

Local citizen Rick Hunnicutt spoke to the board in open forum/public comments, where he gave options of placing a bronze bust, a plaque or perhaps a portrait with all of Sewell's accomplishments at the stadium.

The board tabled any decision on the matter to their September regular meeting.

Also at the regular meeting, the board approved the Student Code of Conduct, Student Handbook for OES, OMS and OHS, Band Handbook, Athletic Handbook and the Cheer Constitution with an amendment that the number of cheerleaders is kept to eight.

The board also approved a start target reconstitution plan. Chavarria said this plan was done before the state accountability ratings, and the district is waiting to see if the state will make the district use the plan.

Lopez Construction was approved for the housing renovation bids.

The professional development appraisal calendar and appraisers were approved adding OMS Assistant Principal Erica Cruz.

Dwight Childress was approved to be the representative for the Texas Association of School Boards.

The board approved the annual agreement for the purchase of attendance credit.

They also approved an amendment to the 2015-2016 CCCCSD Calendar adding May 30 as a teacher comp day.

They also approved athletic, cafeteria, band and fuel bids.

After meeting in executive/closed session, the board approved the hiring of Jodie Baggett for kindergar-

FUTURE MEETINGS

The board will have a budget hearing at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 31.

The next regular meeting will be 6:30 p.m. Sept. 16.

Both meetings will be at the Administration Building, 797 Avenue D, and are open to the public.



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS **BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE**

The	Crockett County Consolidated C	District will hold a public	
meeting at	6:30 p.m., August 31, 2015	in	Board Room, Administration Building, 797 Ave D
	Ozona, Texas	The	e purpose of this meeting is to discuss the
school district's	budget that will determine t	he tax rate t	that will be adopted. Public participation
in the discussio	n is invited.		
The tax rate that i	s ultimately adopted at this meet	ting or at a se	parate meeting at a later date may not exceed

and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice. 1.06 _/\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations) **Maintenance Tax**

the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information

School Debt Service Tax .03 Approved by Local Voters \$ _/\$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations		% increase	or	1.32	% (decrease)
Debt service	100	% increase	or		% (decrease)
Total expenditures	100	% increase	or	1.32	% (decrease)

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Prece	ding Tax Year	Current Tax Year		
Total appraised value* of all property	\$	2,560,199,630	\$	2,145,530,790	
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$	48,684,750	\$	23,755,671	
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$	2,273,146,910	\$	1,846,356,720	
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$	48,684,750	\$	23,755,071	

- "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.
- "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.
- *** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$ 3,000,000

* Outstanding principal.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates										
		ntenance perations					l Revenue Student			
Last Year's Rate	\$	1.06	\$	*	\$	1.06	\$	10547	\$	1990
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue &										
Pay Debt Service	\$	1.07852	\$	*	\$	1.07852	\$	9165	\$	3372
Proposed Rate	\$	1.06	\$.03 *	\$	1.09	\$	9964	\$	3372
* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both.										

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

Last Year This Year Average Market Value of Residences 42,690 40,650 Average Taxable Value of Residences 20,700 19,690 Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value 1.06 1.06 Taxes Due on Average Residence 219.42 208.72 Increase (Decrease) in Taxes -1070

The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an adopt adopt before requiring voter approval at adopt ad				
election is	1.06	This election will be automatically held if the district adopts		
a rate in excess of the	e rollback rate of	1.06		

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

> Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s) 5,030,000

Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s) \$

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Blood Drive Friday

The United Blood Services Bloodmobile will be at Crockett National Bank Friday, Aug. 28, for a blood

Hours will be from 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

People who donate before Aug. 31 are automatically entered into two separtate drawings for a chance to win a 2015 Mitsubishi Mirage and a pair of tickets to the Sept. 3 Dallas Cowboys pre-season

For an appointment, call Laurie Hale at (325) 392-3745 or visit www.bloodhero.com.

DPS enhances patrols for Labor Day

AUSTIN - The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is increasing DWI patrols Aug. 21 - Sept. 7, which includes the Labor Day holiday weekend. During this period, DPS troopers will focus DWI patrols in high-risk locations at times when alcoholrelated crashes are most frequent.

"Impaired drivers who take to the roadways put other travelers in harm's way, and these increased patrols during the Labor Day holiday are designed to save lives by getting these dangerous drivers off the road," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "The department urges all drivers to do their part to keep our road and highways safe by obeying traffic laws and not drinking and driving."

The increased patrols that target impaired driving are funded through a grant from the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT).

DPS offers the following tips for safe travel during the Labor Day holiday:

· Don't drink and drive. Designate a driver or take a cab.

· Eliminate distractions, including the usage of mobile devices.

· Buckle up evervone in the vehicle - it's the law.

· Slow down - especially in bad weather, construction areas and heavy traffic.

· Slow down or move over for police, fire and EMS vehicles as well as tow trucks and TxDOT vehicles stopped on the side of the road with emergency lights activated it's the law.

· Don't drive fatigued.

· Drive defensively, as additional challenges.

· Make sure your vehicle is properly maintained before your trip begins.

holiday travel may present

Water conservation seminar Aug. 29

Saturday, Aug. 29, at the 4-H Building on North State Highway 67. The featured speaker

With the wonderful rainfall this year, it's easy to sit back and think we are out of the woods with our water supply, however, we still need to conserve water and find alternative ways to keep our gardens, lawns and landscape healthy without putting a strain on the municipal water supply.

The Concho Valley Master Gardeners are having their annual Water Conservation Seminar from 9 a.m.-noon



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is Dr. Dotty Woodson, Extension Program Specialist.

Woodson is a water resource specialist for Texas A&M Research and Extension in Dallas, Texas. Her program area is landscape water conservation through design, plant selection, irrigation efficiency and other water conserving practices, rainwater harvesting, rain gardens and drip irrigation. She is one of the creators or Texas Smart-Scape, a stormwater and landscape water conservation program promoted by the North Central Texas Central of Governments.

Woodson will be talking about the benefits of using grey water, rainwater harvesting and drip irrigation.

She will answer questions about ways you can conserve water and still keep your lawn, landscape and garden healthy.

If you are ready to set up a rainwater system at your home or business, you'll find out how and what type system you need for your area.

The event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served and vendors will be available in an exhibit area.

For more information, call the AgriLife Extension Office at (325) 659-6522.

CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT Weekly Activity Report

The Crockett County Sheriff's Office wants to remind everyone that school has started and to be extra careful in the school zones. Crockett County's greatest resource is its children, so everyone work together to keep them safe in this new school year.

Type of Calls

Livestock/wild/domestic animal complaints 3 911 medical/fire assistance Civil complaints Civil documents served

Criminal complaints/disturbances/loud noise 9 Juvenile/School Motorist assist/locked vehicle Reckless driving/ speeding complaints Minor/major traffic accidents

OFFENSE REPORTS/ARRESTS:

· Sheriff's deputies responded to a report of a vandalized vehicle at the Circle Bar RV

• DPS Troopers arrested Eugenio Reyes Ramos, of Ozona, on a Midland County warrant. Subject was arraigned and released on bond.

• DPS Troopers arrested Luis Gallegos, of Santa Clarita, Calif., on a Jim Wells County warrant. Subject was arraigned and is awaiting transfer to Jim Wells County.

Sheriff's deputies responded to a ver-

bal argument at the Crockett Apartments. The issue was resolved. 8-19-15

· Sheriff's deputies responded to a report of loud music on Martinez Street, the mu-

· Sheriff's deputies met with a complainant in reference to an assault between two juveniles.

8-20-15

· Sheriff's deputies responded to a burglary alarm at Village Drug. A burglary report has been filed and an investigation is ongoing.

• Sheriff's deputies took a report of theft from a residence on Blas Street. 8-23-15

· Sheriff's deputies responded to a report of gunshots fired from the area of 3rd Street and Avenue F. One subject, Christopher Jude Robles, of Clovis, N.M., was arrested and charged with public intoxication, disorderly conduct, deadly conduct, resisting arrest and unlawful carry of a weapon. At this time the subject is awaiting arraignment.

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administrative law judge.

TSCRA appreciates Thornberry and Sen. Cornyn for listening to affected citizens' concerns and working closely with them to craft this crucial legislation. Our association strongly supports this bill and urges the House and Senate to act on it swiftly to provide the certainty these landowners deserve.

While the BLM issue may affect Texas citizens along the Red River the most, landowners everywhere should be equally concerned. This is only one example out of a long list of instances where the federal government is infringing on private property rights and our way of life. We have seen issues of gov-

ernment intrusion and the creation of onerous regulations on farmers, ranchers and landowners multiply at an alarming rate. I can assure you TSCRA will continue to closely watch these important matters and strive to keep our members informed, as well as listen to their concerns. TS-CRA will always fight to protect the constitutional private property rights we hold dear as citizens of this great land.

LESLIE KINSEL and her husband Dan operate ranches in central and South Texas and are active members of Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, Leslie has served as the chair of the TSCRA Legislative and Tax Committee since 2013 and previously served as the vice chair for four years.

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nary financial accountability ratings for more than 1,200 school districts and charters across the state. Ratings are based on annual financial reports provided by districts and charters from the 2014 fiscal year.

Figures show that of the 1,024 public school districts in Texas 1,012 received a favorable rating and of the 167 charter schools in the state 155 received a favorable rat-

Any district or charter wishing to appeal its rating must submit a written appeal with supporting evidence by Sept. 8, Education Commissioner Michael Williams said.

JOB GROWTH CONTINUES

Texas Workforce Commission on Aug. 21 announced Texas' seasonally adjusted unemployment rate remained at 4.2 percent in July, the lowest monthly unemployment rate since July 2007.

With the addition of 31,400 seasonally adjusted nonagricultural jobs in July, Texas Workforce Commission Chair Andres Alcantar said the state has added jobs in 57 of the last 58 months.

RETURNED FUNDS SET RECORD

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar on Aug. 20 announced his agency had returned a record \$248 million in unclaimed property to rightful owners this fiscal year.

Hegar said the previous record was \$205 million in unclaimed property returns in fiscal 2014.

Texans may call 1-800-654-FIND to see if the state is holding some of their unclaimed property. Those who have Internet access may visit ClaimItTexas.org.

MORE CYCLOSPORA REPORTED

Texas Department of State Health Services on Aug. 18 announced an uptick in reports of illness caused by the parasite Cyclospora. Some 243 cases have been reported in Texas this year.

Past outbreaks have been associated with the green vegetable cilantro from the Puebla area of Mexico. The major symptom of the illness is watery diarrhea lasting a few days to a few months.

MORE PATROLS ARE WATCHING

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State troopers will focus patrols in high-risk locations at times when alcoholrelated crashes are most frequent, said DPS Director Steven McCraw.

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DIRECTOR OF NURSES POSI-

TION: The Care Center is accepting applications for the Director of Nurses position. Applications can be picked up at the Crockett County Care Center at 103 N. Ave. H, Ozona, Texas. Candidate chosen must undergo Drug Screen, Physical and Work Steps. CCCC is an EOE. 2c31

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION

CLERK OF THE COURT NINFA PREDDY P.O. BOX C OZONA, TEXAS 76943

ATTORNEY OR PERSON FILING CAUSE E. DWAIN PSENCIK ATTORNEY AT LAW P.O. BOX 111 101 MARKET STREET EDEN, TEXAS 76837

TO: ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS:

You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable County Court of Crockett County, Texas, at the Crockett County Courthouse in Ozona, Texas before 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the first Monday next after the expiration of ten days from the date of publication of this citation, the same being the 31st day of August, 2015, by filing a written answer to the APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF WILL AND ISSUANCE OF LETTERS TESTAMENTARY, PETITION FOR DECLARATORY JUDGMENT, AND APPLI-CATION TO DETERMINE HEIRSHIP filed by JACQUELYN SUE (WILLIAMS) SHACKLETTE in said Court on the 27th day of May 2008 in Cause No. 1134, styled:

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF TROY DAVIS WILLIAMS, DECEASED.

Said Application requests, among other things, that: the Court determine who are the Heirs and only Heirs of the Decedent and their respective shares in those assets of the Decedent's Estate that pass by the rules of descent and distribution. GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF SAID COURT at my office in Ozona, Texas, this 20th day of August, 2015.

Ninfa Preddy County Clerk, Crockett County, Texas

PUBLIC NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE:

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It is further declared that such policy is established upon the recognition of the inalienable rights of each individual to obtain housing and further, that denial of such rights is detrimental to the health, safety, and welfare of the inhabitants of the locality and constitutes an unjust denial or deprivation of such inalienable rights which is within the power and the proper responsibility of government to prevent.

Crockett County has a Fair Housing Policy that may be examined and copied by interested groups or individuals during office hours. The month of April has been proclaimed "Fair Housing Month"; copies of the official proclamation are available at the Crockett County Courthouse between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 4:30 P.M., Monday through Friday.

POLICY STATEMENT ESTABLISHING NONDISCRIMINATION BASED **ON HANDICAPPED CONDITIONS**

Crockett County announces that it has adopted a policy of nondiscrimination based on handicapped conditions concerning access, participation, and benefit of programs and activities operated or conducted by the locality. This policy is in compliance with the requirements of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended in 24 CFR, Part 8, "Non-discrimination Based on Handicap in Federally-Assisted Programs and Activities of HUD," dated June 2, 1988. Interested individuals or groups may obtain copies of this policy statement by calling the Office of the County Judge, who has been assigned to coordinate compliance with this policy and may be contacted by telephone at (325) 392-2965.

POLICY STATEMENT ON PROHIBITING THE USE OF EXCESSIVE **FORCE BY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES**

Crockett County announces that it has adopted a policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement personnel within its jurisdiction against an individual engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations. This policy is in compliance with Section 519 of Public Law 101-44, 1990, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act. Copies of this policy statement may be obtained upon request by telephone at (325) 392-2965.

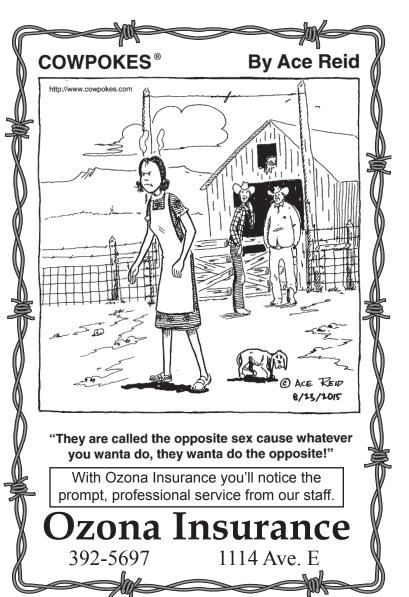
COMPLAINT AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

In order to comply with the requirements of the Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TxCDBG) and of 10 T.A.C. Section 178.1 and Section 178.2, Crockett County has citizen complaint procedures intended to provide a timely written response to all complaints made against its proposed or completed TxCDBG efforts. Responses to complaints will be made within no more than ten (10) working days. A copy of the complaint procedures can be obtained upon request by telephone at (325) 392-2965. The established complaint procedures are an element of the local Citizen Participation Plan, and meet the requirements of USHUD Section 504 (24 CFR) concerning nondiscrimination based on handicapped conditions.

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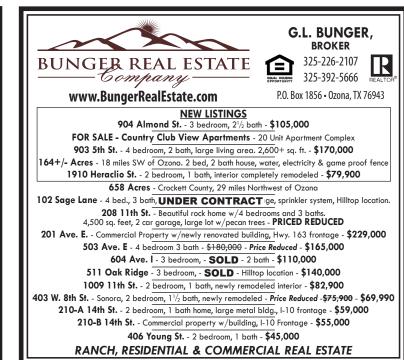
The Commissioners' Court finds that circumstances present in all or part of the unincorporated area of the county create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning; and NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Commissioners' Court of Crockett County, Texas, that outdoor burning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

All burns shall be reported to the Crockett County Sheriff's Office (325) 392-2661 and the Fire Chief (325) 392-2626 prior to commencing, together with the name of the landowner, location involved and expert to be on hand. This Order does NOT prohibit outdoor cooking in a properly contained area which is attended at all times. In accordance with the Local Government Code 352.081 (h), a violation of this Order is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.

ADOPTED this the 10th day of August, 2015

- Crockett County Commissioners' Court

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