

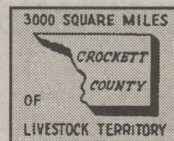
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## Ozonans show their support for our troops



VIOLA PEREZ holds a sign expressing the feelings of the crowd gathered at a rally Sunday to support American troops fighting in Operation Iraqi Freedom. Digicam photo by Scotty Moore

Hearts swelled with pride Sunday afternoon during a rally on the town square to show support for Ozona military personnel serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

A large crowd waved and cheered numerous times in response to comments and music which fueled the patriotic response.

"I'm doing this for one reason and one reason only," said event organizer Frank Tambunga, a retired Marine Gunney Sergeant. "I've noticed that there are not many colors (the United States Flag) around town and in the neighborhoods, and I thought it was time we started getting together and supporting our boys."

The song "Have You Forgotten" written about 9-11 explains why we're in Iraq, Tambunga said as the music began.

Tambunga had a message for the anti-war protestors in the country. "The time to do it was before the war began. I ask you to stop the protesting and the violence..." He went on to suggest that these activities be turned into support of the U. S. troops.

"We need to show the world we mean it when we say 'United We Stand'. God Bless America."

DPS Cpl. Ben English, also a Marine, forcefully stated "We did not start this war." He told the crowd that "fanaticism is the reason we are where we are today."

"There is nothing in our past history to prepare us for where we are today," he said as he summarized the conflicts through the years where U. S. forces have fought for the freedom of others and recounted the atrocities that have been committed against U. S. citizens around the world.

"We have sent the best that we have to offer," he said of America's troops. "We fight for freedom, theirs and ours."

Tambunga urged local organizations to help show that there is no lack of support in Ozona by adopting a troop. "My mission, Operation Troop Support, will not stop until all our men and women are home."

The yellow ribbons circling trees on the square will be left there until the servicemen come home to remove them, he said.

Tambunga has lists of items that may be sent to the troops involved in Operation Iraqi Freedom and welcomes donations to help with the items and shipping costs.

Adding to the rally were the National Anthem, "My Country 'Tis of Thee", and "It's A Grand Old Flag" by Ms. Justina Sanders' second graders, the Pledge of

Allegiance by Cub Scouts, raising of the Flag by Boy Scouts and the Library Sisters with their rendition of "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy of Company B".

Before a prayer, Robert Flores offered the comfort his family received from Psalm 91 while their Marine son, Robert T. Flores, served in Operation Desert Shield.

## 50th Annual Ozona Relays set for April 5

By Gerri Azam  
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

Ozona Relays' 50th Annual track meet is set for this Saturday, April 5. This meet will be a celebration of the OHS track program from 1953-2003, with a special ceremony recognizing several of the past track coaches of OHS.

The field events are set to start at 9:00 a.m. with the long jump, high jump, pole vault, triple jump, shot put, and discus, and the 3200M run at 9:15 a.m.

Following the lunch break, The Tradition Ceremony will be held at 1:40 p.m. At 2:00 p.m. there will be a salute to colors immediately before the start of the running events.

The scheduled running

events include 400M relay, 800M dash, 100M hurdles, 110M high hurdles, 100M dash, 800M relay, 400M dash, 300M low hurdles, 300M intermediate hurdles, 200M dash, 1600M run, and the 1600M relay and will be run in the order listed.

Each event will have three divisions: varsity girls, JV boys and varsity boys. Ten teams are set to compete in the relays with teams representing Wall, Eldorado, Sonora, Reagan County, Grape Creek, Tom Moore Ingram, Angelo Christian, Junction, Forsan and host Ozona.

This 50th Annual Ozona Relays will reflect on the gloried past of the OHS track program including records, district championships, and state qualifiers.

## Area code switch over April 5

Effective April 5, the 915 area code will be split into three specific geographic regions, leaving the 915 area code in the western-most region, assigning 432 to the central of the three regions and assigning 325 to the eastern-most of the three regions. Ozona's new area code will be 325.

To ease the transition and give everyone enough time to make any necessary equipment changes, there will be a "permissive" dialing period from April 5 until Oct. 4. During this period, calls to the new 325 and 432 area codes will complete using either the new area codes or the old 915 area code.

If you use the old 915 area code after Oct. 4, you will receive a recording giving the correct code and asking you to re-dial.

After Dec. 6, you will reach a wrong number if you don't use the new correct area code.

All calls that are local today will continue to be local calls, regardless of the area code change. Calls that are currently long distance will remain long distance calls. Rates for local and long distance service will not be affected by the addition of the new area code.

The new 325 region will include the areas of: Abilene, Albany, Anson, Baird, Ballinger, Bangs, Barnhart, Bend, Big Lake, Big Valley, Blackwell, Blanket, Bradshaw, Brady, Bronte, Brownwood, Buffalo Gap, Burkett, Carlsbad, Cherokee, Christoval, Clyde, Coleman, Colorado City, Comanche, Crews, Doole, Eden, Eldorado, Eola,

Fredonia, Goldthwaite, Gustine, Hamby, Hamlin, Hawley, Hermleigh, Junction, Katemcy, Kingsland, Lake Brownwood, Lake Coleman, Lawn, Llano, Locker, Lohn, London, Loraine, Lucders, Maryneal, Mason, McCaulley, Melvin, Menard, Mercury, Merkel, Mertzon, Miles, Moran, Mozelle, Mullen, Newburg, Nolan, Noodle, Norton, Nubia, Ozona, Paint Rock, Pontotoc, Potosi, Priddy, Putnam, Richland Springs, Robert Lee, Roby, Rochelle, Rockwood, Roscoe, Rotan, Rowena, San Angelo, San Saba, Santa Anna, Snyder, Sonora, Stamford, Star, Sterling City, Streeter, Sweetwater, Sylvester, Tow, Trent, Tuscola, Valera, Voca, Water Valley, Westbrook, Wingate, Winters and Zephyr.

## OHS Hosts District One Act Play Competition

By Gerri Azam  
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

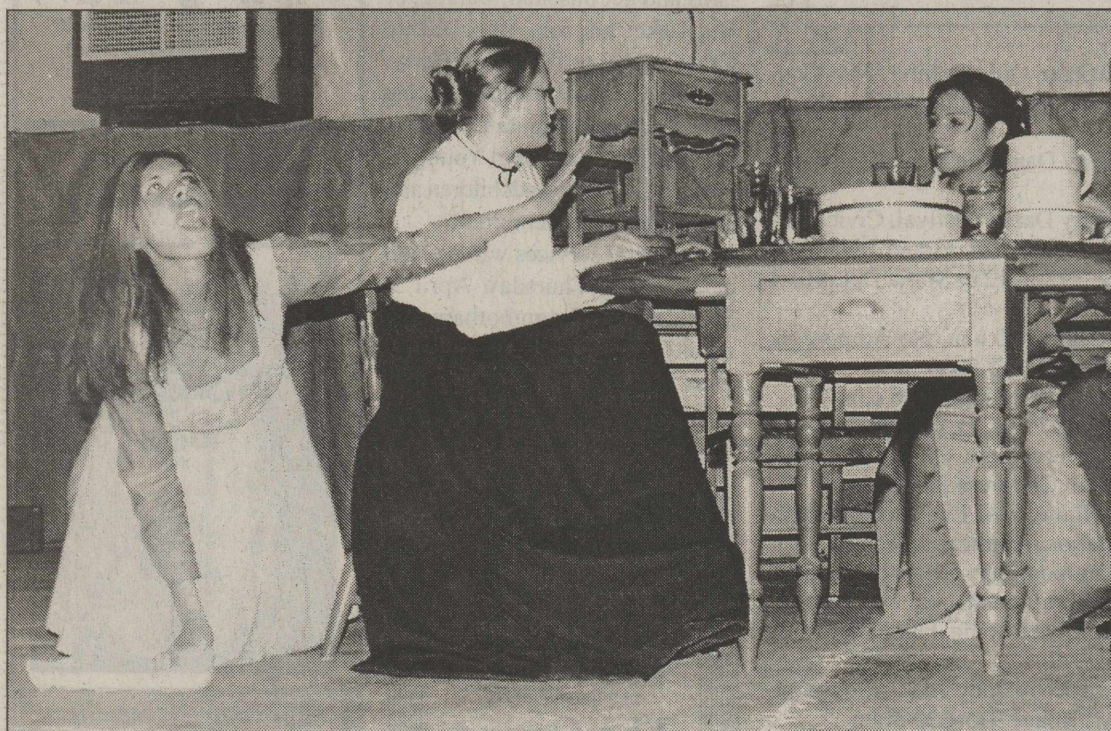
The district one-act play competition was held in Ozona on Saturday, March 29. Plays were presented by casts from Wall,

Sonora, Eldorado, Ozona, Big Lake, and Grape Creek.

Advancing from the district are plays from Sonora and Eldorado, placing first and second respectively. The play from Big

Lake received Honorable Mention.

For Ozona, Jessica Galan and Bekah Cowen were named to the All-Star cast and Paige Tambunga received honorable mention.



THREE OZONA ACTRESSES were given special recognition at the UIL District One Act Play competition here March 29. Named to the All Star cast for their roles in *The Miracle Worker* were Jessica Galan and Bekah Cowen. Honorable mention went to Paige Tambunga. Photo by Stepher Zuberbueller

## Big accident, no injuries .....

One lane of I-10 was blocked at the 351 mile marker Sunday morning, but no one was injured in a wreck that involved four vehicles.

Lydiam Gonzalez of Miami, FL, was driving a U-Haul towing a trailer when mechanical failure filled the cab with smoke, said DPS Trooper Bruce James.

She stopped the vehicle in the outside traffic lane and jumped out, along with her sister and brother. The three began trying to flag traffic and were joined by Seymour Gardner of Tucson, AZ, who parked his 1987 Toyota Camry stationwagon in front of the U-Haul.

A 1993 Peterbilt truck tractor rig driven by owner Leonard Bonenberger III of San Antonio hit the back of the towing trailer, which held a car, knocking the U-Haul into the stationwagon. The truck tractor, which was hauling roll Fiberglas, then veered to the left and hit the guardrail, further damaging the truck and approximately 100 feet of guardrail.

TxDOT rerouted traffic into one lane according to James. He was assisted in the investigation

by Crockett County Deputies Luke Flores and Lyndon English. The accident occurred at 9:50 a.m.



DPS TROOPER BRUCE JAMES investigates an accident involving four vehicles on a bridge at the I-10 351 mile marker Sunday. Digicam photo by Scotty Moore

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# Serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom

A number of military men serving in Kuwait and Iraq as part of Operation Iraqi Freedom are from Ozona or have family ties to the community. On Sunday, March 30, a rally on the town square in support of the troops over there brought families and friends together. Names were called out of those deployed, others who are on standby and young people who are in the military or planning to enter after graduation in May.

PN3 Leroy G. Martinez is one of those serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom. A 1993 graduate of Ozona High School, this Navy man is the son of Augustine and Yolanda Martinez. He and his wife, Delores, have two children, Destiney and Phoenix Xavier. Leroy's brother is David Martinez and his sister is Jerri Fierro.

Mail to Leroy should be addressed to: PN3 Martinez, Leroy G. (SW/PW), NMCB 133, Unit 60254, FPO AA 34099-5041.

Sgt. Jimmy Talamantez is a member of the 3rd Battalion, 4th Marine. He is a graduate of Ozona High School and the son of Pablo and Eva Talamantez. His brother Pablo lives in San Angelo. Another brother, Ruben, and two sisters, Brenda and Olga, live in Ozona.

Lonnie Martinez is the son of Chris and Alicia Martinez. He and his wife, Lisa, have a son, Brandon. His grandparents are Rudy I and Rebeca Martinez and Lola Farlas. Chris Martinez and Kristina Guerra are his brother and sister.

Lonnie was deployed March 16 with the U. S. Air Force.

LCpl Joshua Araujo is with the 4th Recon BN, C Company, 1st Marine Expeditionary Force, Task Force Tarawa. He is the son of Sandy and Mike Glover of Ozona and Caroline and Rick Araujo of Las Vegas, NV. Grandparents are Jan and Fred Van Shoubrouek of Ozona and Janeenen and Danny Araujo of California. He has one brother, Brandon Araujo of San Angelo and Ozona.

Joshua is a graduate of Central High School in San

Angelo and was in the Marine Reserves studying mechanical engineering at Texas Tech University when he was called up.

His address is: LCpl. Araujo, Joshua W., 4th Recon BN, C Co., Det. A, Unit 76003, FPO, AE 09511-6003.

PV2 Michael A. Ramos is the son of Sandy (Gandar) Screws of Midland and George Ramos of Sonora. This OHS graduate has been stationed in Kuwait since Jan. 6 and is now in the front line with the 3rd Infantry Army Imbrams tanks near Baghdad. His sister and brother are Melissa and Mark Gandar.

PFC Lewis M. Gandar is the son of Rebecca (Gandar) Perez of San Antonio. He is the husband of Melissa Gandar and has a stepson, Mark Anthony of Del Rio and a daughter, Branne Gandar of Midkiff. His uncle, Matias Gandar, and family live in Ozona.

Lewis is stationed at Fort Bliss in El Paso and was deployed to Iraq/Turkey on March 31. He is in the 31st BDE as a petroleum supply specialist.

Michael Ramos and Lewis Gandar are the grandsons of Teresa and Armando Zurita and the late Matias Gandar of Sonora. Michael is the grandson of Lucy Ramos of

Sonora and the late Willis Ramos.

Sergeant Jeremie R. Hapgood is currently with the Marine Wing Support Squadron 373 in Kuwait/Iraq. A 1994 graduate of Rock Springs, Wyoming High School, he left for Marine Corp Boot Camp the day after graduation. Since becoming a Marine, he has been on numerous assignments around the world.

His father is Thomas R. Hapgood of San Antonio. Jeremie's mother, Sherry R. Sewell, lives in Ozona. His one living great-grandfather, Lester Windedahl, resides in Lake Havasu City, AZ. Jeremie's grandparents are Max and Nancy Priebe from Wheatland, WY, and Elwood and Jo Ann Rostyne from Madison, SD.

Marine LCpl. Joe F. Luna graduated from Ozona High School in 2000. He is the son of Aureliano B. Luna Jr. and Debbie Luna. Joe is the grandson of the late Juan and Josephine Fierro.

His brother and sister are John Ray and Candace Rae Luna. Other relatives include nephews Caleb and Colby.

The address for Joe is LCpl. Luna, Joe F., USMC Bravo Co. 1st BN, 7th Mar. 1st PLT., UIC 39765, FPO AP 96426-9765.

SPC Daniel Hernandez is deployed with the U. S. Army to serve in Operation Iraqi Freedom. A 2000 graduate of Brackettville High School and former student in Ozona, he is the son of Bobbie Luna and Juan Hernandez.

Daniel is the grandson of Natividad and Maria Hernandez of Ozona, Felipa Avila of Brackettville and the late Atanasio Avila.

His mailing address is SPC Hernandez, Daniel, B/ 2 319 PL ASAR, 82D ABN Div., APO A. E. - 09368.

Family members of men and women serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom are invited to bring their photographs and personal information to The Ozona Stockman for publication. This information is also being collected for those on standby status to be used when families notify the newspaper that they have deployed.



PV2 Michael A. Ramos and PFC Lewis M. Gandar



Sgt. Jimmy Talamantez



Lonnie Martinez



LCpl. Joshua Araujo



Sgt. Jeremie R. Hapgood



LCpl. Joe F. Luna



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## Spring Chicken Affair April 13

Sunday, April 13, that's the date a host of sponsors, vendors and volunteers will be offering food and fun for the entire family at the 21st annual Spring Chicken Affair which benefits West Texas Rehabilitation Center.

Special this year is the observance of the 50th anniversary of the center, which was founded in 1953 in Abilene to care for young victims of cerebral palsy and polio.

The popular affair is sponsored by San Angelo National Bank, H-E-B Food Store and the San Angelo Restaurant Association who provides the expertise and personnel to serve the Sunday-after-church chicken dinner with all the trimmings.

Tickets for the event - to be held from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. - are available in advance at the

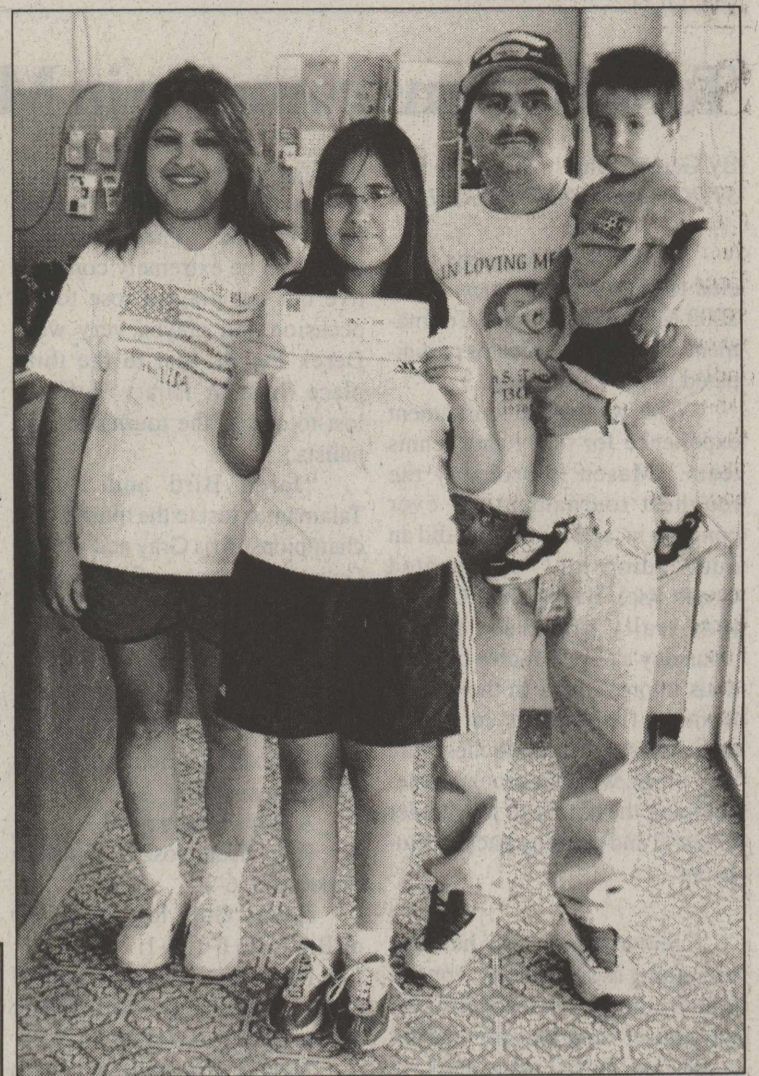
Rehab Center, San Angelo National Bank and H-E-B. They're \$6.00 per person and also will be available at the event, which is held behind SANB at 3453 Knickerbocker Road.

## Learn about pain-free movement

The Concho Valley Chronic Pain Support Group will host a guest speaker Monday, April 21, at 7:00 p.m. in San Angelo.

Pam Bladine of Healing Arts will demonstrate and lead attendees through pain-free movements for adults with chronic pain disorders, show how to increase range of motion and flexibility and how to prevent further trauma.

For reservations or more information, call Shannon Women & Children's Center at 949-6318.



MANDY MUNOZ holds a lottery check for \$3,000.00 won by David Landin. Others pictured are Amanda Tambunga, David Landin and David Jr. *Digicam photo by Linda Moore*

## Lottery winnings for David Landin

A Fire and Ice scratch off lottery ticket added \$3,000.00 to David Landin's pocket March 22. Landin successfully matched 10 numbers, and each number was for \$300.00.

"I got very nervous after I scratched off the first one," Landin said.

He bought the ticket at Town

and Country on Sherwood Way and on a later trip made sure to pump gas at the same pump and buy a lottery ticket at the same store hoping to continue the lucky streak.

He plans to use his winnings to "fix up the house a little bit and work on the fence," Landin says.

## Youth baseball begins April 8

Ozona Youth Baseball League will kick off its 2003 season Tuesday, April 8, with a 5:30 p.m. opening ceremony.

The first game will begin at 6:00 and the second at 7:30.

Tee-ball teams are: 1. Village Drug, 2. Maria's Design, 3. Mike's Car Care and 4. Lilly Construction.

Minor League teams are: 1. Lilly Construction, 2. DeHoyos Law Office, 3. Tootsie's and 4. National Oil.

The Major League teams are: 1. Lilly Construction, 2. Shot's, 3-4; May 15 - 4-1, 2-3; May 20 - 3-1, 2-4.

Queen.

Each league will have games going at its respective field on Tuesday and Thursday nights through May 20 with the exception of April 29.

On April 8, all teams numbered 1 and 2 will play at 6:00 and teams numbered 3 and 4 will play at 7:30. The remaining schedule is: April 10 - 4-1, 2-3; April 15 - 3-1, 2-4; April 17 - 4-3, 2-1; April 22 - 3-2, 1-4; April 24 - 4-2, 3-1; May 1 - 4-3, 2-1; May 6 - 2-3, 1-4; May 8 - 1-3, 4-2; May 13 - 1-2, 3-4; May 15 - 4-1, 2-3; May 20 - 3-1, 2-4.

## Pre-kinder and kindergarten registration April 8

Pre-registration for the 2003-2004 pre-kindergarten and kindergarten classes will be held on Tuesday, April 8, at the primary school library.

Pre-kindergarten students will register from 9:00 to 12:00. To be eligible to attend pre-kindergarten, a student must be unable to speak and comprehend the English language, eligible to participate in the National Free or Reduced-Price Lunch Program, or is homeless. The child must be four years old on or before Sept. 1, 2003. Parents must have their child's birth certificate, shot record and social security card in order to register the child. If the child speaks Spanish, testing will be done to see if he or she qualifies for pre-kindergarten; therefore, you will need to bring the child with you to registration.

Parents enrolling their child for pre-kindergarten must bring a copy of their recent check stub. Income will be verified prior to the first day of school.

Kindergarten registration will be in the library from 1:00 to 4:00 the same day, Tuesday, April 8. Kindergarten students must be five on or before Sept. 1, 2003. Parents will also need to bring their child's birth certificate, shot record, and social security card to registration. A copy of these documents will be made, and the originals will be returned to you. This is required by law 25.002 of the Texas Education Code.

As of Aug. 1, 1999, all children born on or after Sept. 2, 1992, are required to have the following immunizations to begin school: hepatitis A immunization, 4-year-old booster immunization,

and if your child has not had the chicken pox, the Varicella immunization is required.

Martes, 8 de abril 2003, se pre-matriculara para pre-kinder y kinder en la biblioteca de la escuela primaria. Estudiantes de pre-kinder matriculara desde las 9:00 a.m. hasta las 12:00 p.m. Para ser elegible asistir a pre-kinder, se requiere que al estudiante le falte el idioma ingles, ser elegible a participar en el programa nacional de comidas gratis o comidas a precio reducidos or ser sin hogar. El niño tiene que tener 4 años antes del primero de septiembre 2003. Padres necesitan traer el certificado de nacimiento de sus niños, el comprobante de vacunas y el numero de seguro social. Si, su niño habla español, se le tomara una prueba para ver si su niño califica para pre-kinder; por lo tanto necesita traer su niño con Ud. a pre-matricular. También necesita traer una copia reciente de su cheque.

Matricular para kinder sera en la biblioteca desde las 1:00 p.m. hasta las 4:00 p.m. el mismo día, martes, 8 de abril 2003. Estudiantes de kinder tendran tener 5 años en o antes del primero de septiembre 2003. Padres necesitan traer el certificado de nacimiento de sus niños, el comprobante de vacunas y numero de seguro social.

Desde del primero de agosto, 1999, se requiere que los niños nacidos en o despues del 2 de septiembre 1992, tengan las siguientes vacunas para empezar escuela: hepatitis A. la vacuna de 4 años, y si su niño no ha tenido Varicela, la vacuna de varicela es requerido.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### Joint Application of AEP Texas North Company and LCRA Transmission Services Corporation to Transfer Certificate Rights and for Approval of Transfer of Facilities In Crane, Crockett, Pecos, and Upton Counties

PUC DOCKET NO. 27370

Notice is hereby given that on February 7, 2003, AEP Texas North Company (AEP North), formerly known as West Texas Utilities Company, and the LCRA Transmission Services Corporation (the Corporation) filed a joint application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission or PUC). Both AEP North and the Corporation are engaged in the transmission of electricity under certificates of convenience and necessity (CCN). In their application, AEP North and the Corporation request that the Commission approve their proposal in which AEP North will transfer to the Corporation AEP North's existing CCN rights concerning the three transmission lines described below; and find that the transfer of the lines from AEP North to the Corporation is consistent with the public interest. No new facilities are being sought in this filing; nor are the boundaries of AEP North's service area affected by this filing. Persons with questions about PUC Docket No. 27370 should contact Randal E. Roper, representative of AEP North, at (512) 481-4572 or Becky Motal of the Corporation at (512) 473-4033. Persons who wish to intervene in the proceeding or comment upon the action sought, should mail their requests to intervene or their comments (along with 10 copies of your letter) to: Public Utility Commission of Texas, Central Records, Attn: Filing Clerk, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326. The deadline for intervention in this proceeding is May 15, 2003, and a letter requesting intervention should be received by the Commission by that date. To obtain additional information about this case, contact the Public Utility Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the Commission at (512) 936-7136.

The three transmission lines subject to this transfer request are currently 69 kV transmission lines and will be rebuilt for 138 kV operation. AEP North has filed exempt CCNs with the PUC to rebuild these three transmission lines and the transmission lines are either in the process of being rebuilt as of this filing date or will soon be rebuilt. The following provides for each transmission line a description of the rebuild activity, the Project Number used in the PUC Monthly Construction Report that identifies the project, the estimated cost, and a general route description:

(a) PROJECT NO. 24908005: The existing North McCamey Substation - Tippet Substation line consists of approximately 13.4 miles of 69 kV transmission line constructed on wood poles in an H frame configuration. The line is being rebuilt with single pole concrete structures and is being converted for 138 kV operation and will be double circuit capable. The line is under construction with the physical facilities planned for completion in February 2003. Beginning at the existing North McCamey Substation, the transmission line proceeds southeast 1.83 miles to the McCamey Substation, continues in a southeast direction for approximately 0.64 miles before turning in a south-southeasterly direction just southwest of the Mesa Tank Farm extending for approximately 3.35 miles before crossing the Upton/Crockett County lines and continuing in that direction for approximately 3.79 miles until crossing Farm Road 305 and continuing from that point in the same direction for another 2.94 miles to a point 0.23 miles south-southeast of the Pecos River, and then proceeds in a more easterly direction for a distance of 0.76 miles to the existing Tippet Substation. The estimated cost of the rebuild project is \$5,320,835.

(b) PROJECT NO. 40079274: The existing Tippet to W.Yates Tap line consists of approximately 9.98 miles of 69 kV transmission line constructed on wood poles in an H frame configuration. The line is proposed to be rebuilt with single pole concrete structures and is being converted for 138 kV operation and will be double circuit capable. The line is a continuation of the line described above and proceeds from the Tippet Substation in an easterly direction for a distance of approximately 2.35 miles before crossing the Pecos River twice within a short distance of about 0.23 miles and then continues on in an easterly direction 3.75 miles to a point just west of the Pecos River, and then turns in a southeasterly direction 3.3 miles before crossing State Highway (SH) 349 and then continues on in the same direction for 0.35 miles to the West Yates Tap. At the current location of the West Yates Tap a site is also being purchased for a new switching station, W.Yates Switching Station. The site is approximately 0.3 miles southwest of SH 349 and 4.73 miles northwest of Iraan. None of the costs associated with the new W. Yates Switching Station are included in these certificate transfers. The estimated cost of the rebuild project, which is expected to be completed in April 2003, is \$4,121,512.

(c) PROJECT NO. 40066293: The existing N.McCamey - McElroy/Crane Cut-In transmission line consists of approximately 22 miles of 69 kV transmission line constructed on wood poles. The line is proposed to be rebuilt on single pole concrete structures and is being converted to 138 kV operation and will be double circuit capable. Beginning at the existing N.McCamey Substation the transmission line proceeds in a northwesterly direction approximately 2.97 miles before crossing US Highway 385, continuing in a northwesterly direction for approximately another 2.4 miles before turning north for a distance of approximately 1.25 miles before crossing US Highway 385 again. The line then turns slightly north-northeast for approximately 0.57 miles before turning back to the north and continuing in that direction for approximately 8.54 miles paralleling the Upton/Crane County line. The line then turns to the north-northeast again for approximately 1.99 miles before turning north-northwest for approximately 4.3 miles to McElroy/Crane Cut-In location. The estimated cost of the rebuild project, which is expected to be completed in May 2003, is \$9,418,600. Associated with this rebuild is also a 1.5 mile, 138 kV double circuit transmission line to be constructed from the Corporation's Crane Substation to the McElroy/Crane Cut-in point. The CCN for this transmission line has been filed with the PUCT and denoted as Docket No. 26707; Joint Application of LCRA Transmission Services Corporation and West Texas Utilities Company for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for a 138 kV Double-Circuit Transmission Line in Crane and Upton Counties. This line, once completed, will result in a new 138 kV double circuit transmission line extending from the new Corporation's Crane substation to a new Corporation's North McCamey Substation. The Corporation's Crane substation will be located near the AEP North Crane substation and the Corporation's North McCamey Substation will be located near the AEP North North McCamey Substation.

AEP North and the Corporation have entered an agreement in which, subject to PUC approval, the Corporation will own these transmission lines and AEP North will continue with the construction of these transmission lines as project manager. AEP North will also operate and maintain the transmission lines for a multi-year period. Copies of the maps illustrating the location of the facilities are available for viewing at the AEP North Service Center located at East Highway 67, McCamey, Texas. Arrangements to view or obtain copies of the maps may be made by contacting Randal E. Roper at (512) 481-4572.

This application is being filed under sections 14.101 and 37.154 of the Public Utility Regulatory Act.



## Scouts presented in Court of Honor

Court of Honor for Boy Scout Troop 153 was held at the Senior Citizen Center on March 25, conducted by Scoutmaster Melvin Conner. A court of honor is designed as a special ceremony where the boys are awarded their individual ranks. To earn their ranks, the Scouts must do all of the requirements for the rank and then attend a Scoutmaster conference, and a board of review.

The following Scouts were recognized for the ranks they have earned since the last court of honor: Joe Bradford, tenderfoot and second class; Matthew Harris-Cane, first class and star; Ethan English, tenderfoot and second class; Levi English, first class; Chris Lara, tenderfoot and second

class; Jake Parks, first class and star; Matthew Payne, first class; and Travis Zuberbueller, tenderfoot, second class and first class.

Other Scouts who attended this ceremony were Life Scout Glenn Conner, second class - Latham Ducote, Boy Scout - Damon Johnson, second class - Matthew Komechak, Boy Scout - Lalo Longoria, Boy Scout - Michael Morrelli, second class - Josh Smith, Boy Scout - Lane White and second class - Wilson White.

Certificates of appreciation were awarded to assistant leaders Linda Conner, Mary Drago, Ben English and Stephen Zuberbueller. Certificates were given to the following individuals and companies for their support and donations; Shelton Oil, Johnny Jones, NatGas, Ozona Stockman, Laurie English, Crockett County Jail, DeerFest Committee and Ozona National Bank.

Todd Suter, Lou Ann Haire and Fred Deaton were recognized for their help in serving as members on the board of review committee. Jack Baggett, Dee Keilers, Jim White and Freida Zuberbueller were also given awards for their help and support. The Boy Scouts then presented awards to Melvin and Linda Conner for their work and dedication to the Boy Scouts of Troop 153.

"It is easier to build a boy, than to repair a man," said Scoutmaster Melvin Conner.

Scribe: Travis Zuberbueller



**ONE PERSON CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.** The observation by Ozona Garden Club member Grace Williams that the flag on the square needed to be larger led to a special ceremony March 27. Club members ready to hoist the flag they chipped in to buy are: Ella Clegg, Grace Williams, Jean Odom, Esther Williams, Debi Hamilton, Sharon Williams, Linda Brewer, Jan Van Shoubrouek, Marge Smith and Vivian Childress.

Photo by Linda Moore



**BOY SCOUTS** of Troop 153 were recognized in a Court of Honor March 25. Pictured with the Scouts are their leaders and assistant leaders.

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## Ozona High School competes in District UIL

By Gerri Azam  
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

Ozona High School's UIL team competed in the district meet in Wall on Monday, March 24. The top three places in each event advance to the regional meet. The fourth place finishers are the alternates for the event.

In ready writing Christina Carter placed third and Amber Batura finished fourth. In computer science, the OHS team

placed fourth with Philip Baggett winning first, Paarth Raj finishing second, Layne English coming in third, and Amber Batura finishing fourth.

Team members Dianna Perez, Jared Bird, Ramon Trujillo, and Josh Long placed second in number sense with Ramon finishing second and Josh taking fifth.

The calculator team of Zach Webb, Jared Bird, Stephen Lara, and Harvey Ruiz placed second with Zach claiming first place and

Jared Bird coming in fourth.

In mathematics, Zach Webb finished in sixth place. Jenna Henderson finished fifth in spelling. In science, Zach Webb placed third with a first place in biology and Jared Bird placed sixth. For prose, Paige Tambunga placed second and Jenna Henderson placed fourth. Allie Bean finished fifth in poetry. For informative speaking, Paige Tambunga won first place.

## Be safe in the sun

Ozona's School Health Advisory Council, SHAC, is participating in a cancer prevention program that will address the following areas: nutrition, sun safety, physical activity and tobacco use. Through Region 15 Education Service Center along with the Texas Cancer Council, the School Health Advisory Council received grant money to raise the awareness and participation in local community prevention activities.

### Booster Club meeting

The Ozona Athletic Booster Club will meet on Monday, April 7, at 6:00 p.m. in the Ozona Middle School Library to finalize plans for the OHS athletic banquet. Please make plans to attend.

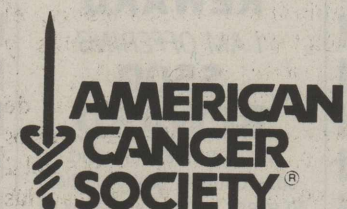
### Let education come to you

The Friends of Historic Fort Stockton currently have three education trunks that can be delivered in any setting. The trunks are brought to your door. There is a charge of 32 cents per mile over 150 miles. Donations are accepted. "It is vital that we get the information out to the public if we want to use the trunks to educate people about the history of Fort Stockton and its area," stated Curator Andi Martin.

The three trunks available are the Native American trunk, the Pioneer Women and the Hispanic Heritage trunk. The trunks were put together through three separate grants. Mandy Pearce, Education Outreach Director at the time, researched and put together the trunks, along with TEKS activities. Each trunk has a story to tell. By the end of the presentation, you have come to know the people, the land and the history.

In the past, the trunks have been presented at schools, banquets and to many women's groups. Friends of Historic Fort Stockton want to make 2003 a record year for the traveling trunks.

If you are interested in a presentation, you can contact Andi Martin at Historic Fort Stockton. The phone number is 915-336-2400 or 3-mail hfs@ci.fortstockton.tx.us.



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to increase knowledge as to the importance of prevention and quality school health programs in addressing cancer/disease prevention.

Now that spring has arrived it is time for track meets, tennis meets, baseball games, weekends at the lake and working on those lawns and gardens. All of these activities are done out in the sun, so the council's first focus will be Sun Safety. SHAC will have a Sun Safety booth set up at the Ozona Relays on Saturday, April 5. The council will have skin cancer prevention information and sunscreen available to people attend-

ing the Ozona Relays.

Skin Cancer Facts:

More than one million cases of skin cancer occur each year. Melanoma is the most deadly form of skin cancer. In 2002, there were 53,600 cases of melanoma reported in the United States, and in Texas, 3,600 cases of melanoma were reported.

Safeguards to protect you in the sun:

- Wear a hat
- Wear protective clothing
- Use sunscreen SPF 15 or higher
- Limit direct sun exposure between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.



**RUBEN CRUZ** gave the Ozona Head Start students an informative talk about rodeo when the children studied the letter "R".

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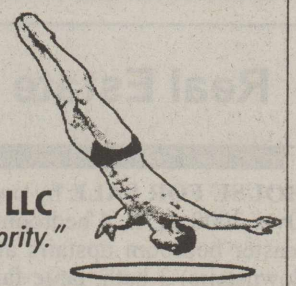
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