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Wednesday High 72 Low 41 **Mostly Sunny**

Thursday High 76 Low 45

Mostly Sunny Friday

High 68 Low 34

Sunny Saturday

High 63 Low 36 Sunny

Sunday High 68 Low 38

Mostly Sunny

Forecast information provided by the **National Weather** Service in San Angelo

Off-highway vehicle park approved

Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission grant funding for development in Crockett County

By MELISSA PERNER Editor and Publisher

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission approved funding on Jan. 26 to develop a managed off-highway vehicle recreation area in Crockett

The proposed park will be developed through a \$1,359,500 grant to the Texas Motorized profit organization.

The grant comes from the National Recreational Trails Fund, which is a portion of the federal gas tax generated by gasoline purchases to utilize offroad recreational vehicles, such as off-road motorcycles and four-wheelers. The purpose of the NRFT is to provide funding for projects that create new and maintain existing motorized and non-motorized recreational trails. These federal funds are administered by the Federal Highway Administration and distributed

By MELISSA PERNER

Su Voto Es Su Voz, "Your

Vote is Your Voice" - that is

the message candidate Pete Go-

mez is spreading throughout the

didate for 112th District Judge,

spread his message to the people

of Ozona and Crockett County

in Ozona," said Gomez, who

grew up down the road in Sono-

ra. "Ozona's people have a spirit

that they will not be defeated. I

know the people of Ozona want

lenger Albert Valadez of Fort

Stockton, is running to replace

incumbent district judge Brock

Jones. Valadez is also running

on the Democratic ticket mean-

ing that this race will be decided

in the March 7 primary as there

person that will be your judge," Gomez said. "I have pride in

Judge Jones and what he has ac-

complished."

"It's important you know the

are no Republican opponents.

Gomez, along with chal-

someone to make you proud."

Gomez, a Democratic can-

"My heart has always been

Editor and Publisher

112th Judicial District.

into account state population and sales of fuel for off-road recreational vehicles.

The 3,400-acre tract of land that will be used is located off of County Road 406, known as Mitchell Blacktop, in the southwest part of the county. The land was once the southeast part of the old P.C. Perner Ranch.

"It's important to under-Trails Coalition (TMTC), a non-stand that the Texas Motorized Trails Coalition won't just buy this property and open the gate in a free-for-all," said Walt Dabney, director of the TPWD State Parks Division, which includes the department's Recreational Grants Branch. "They have strict rules of conduct. You have to stay on designated trails, and if your conduct is unacceptable, you're out of there. They pride themselves on doing a good job of managing a site, and they've demonstrated that with Barnwell

The Texas Motorized Trails

Pete Gomez encourages

Ozona to get out and vote

to states via a formula that takes Coalition has operated the 1,800acre Barnwell Mountain Recreation Area near Gilmer in Upshur County in Northeast Texas since 2000. Facilities include showers, restrooms, an air station, pavilion, office and campsites with R/V hookups and electricity.

"The Texas Motorized Trails Coalition has a safe and successful operation near Gilmer," said John Parker, TPW commissioner from Lufkin. "The local community there loves it, because it brings in a ton of business."

Coalition secretary and research chemist Dick Stuart told commissioners about preliminary results of a university research study contracted by the coalition. He said this shows that visitors to the Barnwell Mountain area in a six month period spent an average of about \$20,000 per weekend in Upshur County and surrounding communities on lodging, food, supplies and other

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Photo by Melissa Perner

Gomez said that it is im-

Gomez said he encourages

"With your help and your

portant that voters from Sutton,

Crockett, Upton and Reagan turn

voters to take advantage of early

voting from Feb. 21-March 3

and for citizens to communicate

prayers we are going to go to

Fort Stockton and win 50 per-

cent," Gomez said. "I want So-

nora and Ozona to push me over

with each other about voting.

PETE (PEDRO) GOMEZ JR. (center) poses with his family as he

encourages the people of Ozona to vote for him for 112th District

Judge during a Jan. 24 reception at the Visitor Center.

Gomez said that if he wins

"I want to continue the leg-

The 112th Judicial District

the race, he plans on keeping the

district judge's office in Ozona,

where it has been under Jones's

acy Judge Jones has brought to

this office," he said. "If my op-

ponent wins, he will take every-

covers Sutton, Crockett, Reagan,

Upton and Pecos counties, with

Pecos County having the largest

number of registered voters.

thing to Fort Stockton."

District/County Clerk Q & A

Editor's note: The Ozona Stockman is running question and answer articles featuring candidates in local contested races for the March 7 primary. This week's articles features candidates in the District/County Clerk race.



DEBRA BROWN

Q: WHAT IS YOUR OCCU-PATION, EDUCATION AND **FAMILY?**

A: DPS/JP Court Clerk Highway Patrol Secretary -1996 to present date; Assistant to Superintendent Comstock ISD - 10 years; Terrell County Tax Assessor/Collector Office & Sheriff's Office - 3 years.

Moved to Ozona in the third grade and graduated Ozona High School Secretarial Certificate -Lubbock Christian College.

Married 34 years - Husband Joe; Daughter - Jodye

Q: WHAT QUALIFIES YOU FOR THE POSITION YOU ARE RUNNING FOR?

A: The duties that I have performed in my position at the Department of Public Safety as the Highway Patrol Sergeant's secretary have prepared me to work in a high-pressure environment. Meeting deadlines each month on reports to the State, filing and checking the Trooper's tickets and dispositions, checking Trooper's case reports District/County Clerk.

THINGS YOU WOULD county and district courts and LIKE TO ACCOMPLISH IF computerizing monthly reports **ELECTED?**

A: 1. Ensure that the District/County Clerk's Office is Q: WHAT IS LIKELY THE run effeciently and effectively. MOST SIGNIFICANT IS-2. All personnel are courteous SUE FACING YOUR OFand helpful to everyone that FICE IN THE NEXT FEW comes in our office. 3. Every job requested is important and will be done quickly and accurately.

Q: WHAT IS LIKELY THE passed during legislation and to MOST SIGNIFICANT ISSUE continue upgrades of computer FACING YOUR OFFICE IN technology as needed. THE NEXT FEW YEARS AND WHY?

A: The most significant issues for the District/County Clerk's Office would be the privilege to serve you for these trust of the citizens of Crockett past years. Your vote and sup-County. They need to know that port for me in the upcoming they can depend on this office



DEBBIE PUCKETT

O: WHAT IS YOUR OCCU-PATION, EDUCATION AND **FAMILY?**

A: I am the District/County Clerk for Crockett County. I graduated from Ozona High School in 1972. I have completed over 200 hours of continuing education in the District/County Clerk's Association.

I have two sons, Derek and Jason, and three grandsons. I came to Ozona in 1960 with my parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hohertz.

Q: WHAT QUALIFIES YOU FOR THE POSITION YOU **ARE RUNNING FOR?**

A: I am the incumbent and have 25 years of service for the people of Crockett County in the District/County Clerk's Office.

Q: WHAT ARE THREE THINGS YOU WOULD LIKE TO ACCOMPLISH IF **ELECTED?**

A: I would like to continue and filing them with the proper implementing new accessible prosecutors are also part of my voting systems as mandated duties. I meet the public both by HAVA (Help America Vote in person and on the telephone Act), continue to improve puband answer questions. By work- lic work stations to be more ing in this environment I have user friendly in researching become proficient in multi-task- land records and minutes of ing. All of this, I feel, more than the commissioner's court and qualifies me for the position of to upgrade the court management software program to help Q: WHAT ARE THREE manage case loans from both to the state.

YEARS AND WHY?

A: Insuring that my office stays current of new laws being

ANY ADDITIONAL **COMMENTS TO VOTERS?**

A: It has been an honor and March primary will be appreci-Please see BROWN, page 5 ated.

The hat is back

Chamber sign restored

By SHANON BIGGERSTAFF Chamber Executive Director

The Ozona Chamber of Commerce moved from its former location on Sheffield Road to the new Visitor Center located at the intersection of Interstate-10 and State Highway 163 south or 505 15th Street.

Doors opened to the general public on Jan. 16. To date the center has seen 170 local visitors, 44 visitors from Texas, 49 visitors representing 16 states and 12 visitors representing 3 foreign countries.

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Photo by Joe Hernandez KAMBRI PREDDY (left) and MACKENZIE HARRIS stand in front of the Ozona Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center sign with its new cowboy hat.



Puckett announces candidacy for **Crockett County clerk position** Once again, it is time to an-

nounce my candidacy for District/County Clerk. During the 25 years of ser-

vice, I have initiated the computerization of the office, microfilmed and scanned images of public records and plats for perservation for generations to My endeavors, knowledge

of the position, years of dependability, along with my experience makes me well qualified to serve the tax payers of Crockett County. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve you for these past 25 years and once again, I am asking for your vote and support in the upcoming March pri-

If I am elected, you can be sure that the people of Crockett County can rely on the contini-



DEBBIE PUCKETT

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What's on My Mind By Melissa Perner I hate being sick

I hate being sick.

No matter what the symptoms are, when I'm sick I become the biggest grouch. Ask my husband, who often has to put up with this mood when I'm

I moan, I complain, I whine and I get mad. I'm mad because there's something going on inside my body that I can't con-

People like to be in control and when sickness hits, then the germs take control.

Deep inside my chest last week, a group of germs decided to get together and make me cough. They then moved to my nose and my sinuses and my head.

These little, microscopic germs cause misery. They caused my body to ache all over. They caused me to cough making my chest pound each time. They even caused my teeth to hurt, which is the weirdest feeling.

The frustration and misery of being sick is knowing you just have to rest and wait it out. Don't get me wrong, medications can be a good thing, especially when they knock you out.

However, as I was lying in my bed last week, the back of my mind kept churning of things that I should be doing.

I knew there were bills that needed to be sent out, stories that thing.

needed to be written, subscriptions that should've been updated and so on.

When we were children, we would often wish for some illness to sweep over us in order to keep us from going to school. As adults, we often risk our health by attempting to go to work with our symptoms in order to keep from having to miss.

When our illness set in, the most important step to recuperating I hear the most is "rest." That's it, take some medicine

Granted, I didn't feel like running any marathon, but I get frustrated just laying there in my bed not being able to do anything but flip the remote control.

However, I did sleep. I slept more in three days than I do in a week it seems like.

Maybe being sick is our body's way of saying "slow down!"

Of course, it could come up with a better way than making us feel miserable.

Now, as I get back to normal and into my routine, I am reminded of my grandmother who use to take care of us when we were all sick.

"Eat your chicken noodle soup and get some sleep," she would say.

That is the cure for every-

Business

BY PAUL HOWARD ASU Small Business Development Center

We have many people coming in to the Angelo State University Small Business Development Center with dreams of owning their own small business, of being their own boss.

It is equally exciting for us to assist those who have these high hopes. However, the road to success can be a little bumpy along the way.

Most potential small business owners have great ideas, but it also takes a certain amount of working capital to get started. It would be nice if we had a supply of cash tucked away somewhere to finance our small business, but that is normally not the case. Therefore, you will probably need to obtain a loan.

If you do need financial assistance, there is one thing you need to do. You need to write a business plan. All of you who are hyperventilating or have fainted dead away from the thought of this kind of undertaking - don't panic. You can do it! If you are serious about becoming a successful small business owner you will find a way. The SBDC can help you develop a concise and professional plan. We have a tremendous amount of resources and can find sample business plans that will fit your type of business. Notice I said the SBDC will help. We will not write it for you. It is to your advantage to develop the plan yourself. By doing so, it will give you valuable insight into how to set up your business.

A business plan can help you position your business in the marketplace. It will also help you learn much about your potential business, and where you want to be in the future. A business plan is not only important in gaining financial assistance, but it can also help a potential small business owner ascertain whether the idea is feasible.

There is something you should familiarize yourself with if you will obtain financial assistance. It is the 5 C's of credit. While each lending situation is unique, many banks utilize some variation of evaluating the 5 C's when making credit decisions. The 5 C's are: Character, Capacity, Capital, Conditions, and Collateral. We will briefly review

these and how they may impact your loan request.

Character - What is the character of the owner(s) in the company? Bankers are more likely to put their money with those who have impeccable credentials and references. This is also about you and your personal leadership. How you conduct both your business and personal life gives the lender a clue about how you are likely to handle business responsibilities.

Capacity - What is the company's borrowing history and track record of repayment? How much debt can the company handle? Will you be able to honor the obligation and repay the debt?

Capital - How much money have you invested in the business? Investors often want to see that you have a financial commitment and that you have put yourself at risk in the company.

Conditions - What are the current economic conditions and how does your company fit in? Is your business sensitive to economic downturns?

Collateral - This represents assets that the company pledges as an alternate repayment source for the loan. Most collateral is in the form of hard assets, such as real estate and office or manufacturing equipment. Accounts receivable and inventory can sometimes be pledged as collateral. Writing a business plan is

not easy. It takes much thought, analysis, research, and revision to fine tune it, but it will be an invaluable tool for the successful small business owner. The counselors at the SBDC will be happy to assist you in the process. To assist with writing your business plan, the SBDC will conduct "The Business Plan" seminar on Thursday, Feb. 16.

Call our office at 942-2098 to register, or send an email message to SBDC@angelo.edu. We look forward to seeing you there!

Business Tips is provided by Mr. Paul Howard, Business Development Specialist with Angelo State University's Small Business Development Center. For more information on this topic, please contact Paul at Paul. Howard@ angelo.edu or call 942-2098.

Community Calendar

· Domino games, 2 p.m. at the Senior

Center. Feb. 3 - OHS Varsity Tennis at the West Texas Championships in San Angelo. JV and Varsity Lions and Lady Lions vs. Wall, starting at 5 p.m. at Wall. Feb. 4 - OHS Varsity Tennis at the West

Texas Championships in San Angelo. Feb. 6 - Ozona schools Staff Development Day #9, student holiday. · Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior

Concho Valley Community Action Council, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Senior Seventh and Eighth Grade and JV Gold

Lady Lions vs. Eldorado, 5 p.m. at Eldo-Seventh and Eighth Grade and JV Gold

Childress Memorial Gymnasium. Feb. 7 - OHS JV Tennis at the Lake View Invitational in San Angelo. JV and Varsity Lions and Lady Lions vs.

Mason, starting at 5 p.m. at the Davidson Gymnasium Feb. 8 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the

Senior Center. Domino games, 2 p.m. at the Senior

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NEWS REEL JAN. 29, 1976

A special tree planting ceremony took place at the Crocket County Care Center on Tuesday sponsored by the Crockett County Bicentennial Steering Committee. The Liberty Tree is a gift from the Texas Forest Service as an official American Revolution Bicentennial project.

Gregory Stuart recevied Lions vs. Eldorado, 5 p.m. at the Becky his degree from Angelo State University in Dec. He is a 1971 graduate of Ozona High School.

> No new license plates, but a tag to attach to the old ones will be issued starting this year. Sales begin Monday at the tax office.

> > **NEWS REEL** JAN. 30, 1947

Ground was broken this week on Ozona's new \$70,000 movie theater being built on a lot adjoining the Hotel Ozona.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Butler announced purchase of the Hi-Way Cafe, which they established and sold several months ago.

Keeping step with modern times, Crockett County is installing a machine for photographic recording of all instruments filed for record in the county clerk's office.



Lately I've had the misfor- because someone at a branding

tune to be around a lot of big city people which served as a good reminder as to why I like country folks so much.

City people dine on cuisine while country folk eat steak and beans. Urbanites have dinner parties where they munch on micro greens and finger food. Rural people have potlucks and eat with silverware, occasionally plastic. They have been known to dip their cornbread in milk. City slickers expound on steak tartar and gazpacho while country dwellers prefer their soup and steak to be cooked. Or at least

Residents of the big city think they are fighting terrorism with color coded warnings and airport shoe removal. Rural residents think of homeland security more in terms of a twelve gauge and a healthy dose of skepticism about strangers. A stranger being anyone whose family hasn't lived nearby for at least three

The most important people in the lives of urbanites are their therapists, interior decorators, personal trainers and investment advisors. In the country family comes first followed by the veterinarian and the banker. City folks go to Bangkok and Europe for vacation and bring back digitized pictures and fears of bird flu. Rural residents go to Disneyworld and the Grand Canyon and bring back memories and cheap souvenirs.

City folks read the New York Times and listen to Howard Stearn. Country people read farm papers and listen to Paul Harvey and Baxter Black. Big city sports fans root for NBA and NFL stars who disrespect them. Those who live out beyond the city limits signs go to high school games and root for kids they probably spanked once or twice. Residents of metropolitan areas have to have a critic tell them if a movie or a book is any good whereas country people can still

make up their own mind. If someone who lives in a large city gets shot it's probably by a member of one of many gangs that haunt their streets. If a rural resident gets shot it was missed with the vaccine gun.

The teaming masses in our cities have to be entertained at all times. They go to the theater or the opera and they listen to rappers on their I-Pods while they sip frappuccinos at Starbucks. Those who live in the country prefer peace and quiet. To them there is nothing prettier than the sound of a cricket or a calf calling to its mother. City folks are classified into neighborhoods by their breeding. If rural residents give a whit at all about breeding it's because the new bull is shooting blanks.

The only contact urbanites have with animals is on Animal Planet. They want to save the grizzly and the wolf. In the country animals are everywhere and residents there are more concerned with saving their kids from the grizzly and the wolf. Urbanites don't believe in private property rights because they don't own much. By giving each year to the Nature Conservancy and Sierra Club they think they are saving the earth and the ozone. Country folks think such people are high on ozone.

City folks wave to people in other cars with their middle finger and talk about stress, hot stocks and themselves. Mostly what they do is consume stuff. Countrified residents offer a friendly wave and talk about rainfall totals, grass conditions and the livestock market. If they brag at all it's about their kids or a good horse they are riding. What they do mostly is produce the stuff the city dwellers make a living selling, trading and consuming. Urbanites work out at gyms; rural workers work out at

Inhabitants of urbane municipalities take great pride in keeping up with all the fads and trends and are always dressed in the latest styles. Ruralites know how to dress too... mostly deer, lambs, rabbits, chickens and such. They are survivalists who know how to hunt, fish and grow a garden whereas most city dwellers wouldn't last longer than the expiration date on their soy milk after their granola bars

Sheffield Boot Camp seeks to expand mentor, tutor programs

By JANE HARBER Community Relations Coordinator

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The close of an old year and the beginning of a new is always the perfect opportunity to reflect on the past as well as look forward to the future. As we look back, many changes have occurred here at Sheffield Boot Camp. We have come a long way in our efforts at rehabilitating and resocializing the cadets incarcerated here, helping these young men to learn how to lead positive and productive lives upon their release back into society.

As we begin this new year, Sheffield Boot Camp is looking forward to the many opportunities that lay before us. One of our highest priorities will be expanding our mentor and tutor programs. We have several young students who would benefit greatly at having the prospect of one-on-one tutoring in reading and basic math. The lives of others would be significantly enhanced by the influence of an older, wiser and more experienced individual who would be willing to be a mentor to him, helping to provide the cadet with concrete, multi-faceted help as he develops his own vision for the future.

"Statistics show that mentored youth are half as likely to re-offend," says Jane Harber, the boot camp's Community Relations Coordinator. "Mentoring cuts their chances of returning to TYC custody or ending up in an adult prison.'

"Before mentoring I was very confused, stressed and afraid, but now having a mentor I feel more confident, calm and happy," said M___ _, using "feeling words" from his resocialization program. M__ was a 19year-old cadet who had a great deal of difficulty working the resocialization program while he was in the care of Sheffield Boot Camp. It seems M___felt that no one cared about him, and that he had no place to go upon his release. At Sheffield Boot

Several named

to Angelo State

Several Ozona graduates

Jared Glynn Bird, bio-

were named to the 2005 Fall

Semester Dean's List at Angelo

chemistry; Adriana M. Flores,

management; Cecilia S. Garza, undeclared; Rose Elizabeth

Garza, business and Dennis

dean's list, students must be

enrolled full-time and maintain

Candace S. Kiser has been

A student must have a GPA between 3.5 and 3.99 and carry

To be eligible for the

Ray Taylor, biochemistry.

a 3.25 grade point average.

Kiser named to

named to the Dean's List for the 2005 Fall Semester at West

Dean's List

Texas A&M University.

Dean's List

State University.

wear. He didn't want to work the program, because the safety and security offered here was difficult to give up for what he saw to be an uncertain future. So he to keep his phase level too low for release. But since being assigned a mentor, M took on a whole new attitude. He realized that his life does have value and worth, and that he does have options for his future. The change in M 's attitude and behavior through mentoring affected his whole dorm for the better, and has since been released from Sheffield Boot Camp.

There are three types of mentoring opportunities available at Sheffield Boot Camp. Basic mentoring is designed for the development of a trusting, supportive relationship between the volunteer and the cadet, in which the mentor exhibits a good example of a healthy and constructive lifestyle. Faithbased mentoring will additionally focus on developing spiritual understanding, whereby personal spiritual growth is treated as a core element in the overall development and moral guidance of the youth. Sponsorship mentoring focuses on assisting the youth to face the reality of his addiction, and on helping him to stay clean and dry from drugs and/or alcohol. All three areas of mentoring are needed at Sheffield Boot Camp.

Harber also stated that Sheffield Boot Camp's tutor program is helping students to realize the potential that lies before them.

"Some of our students have never realized how smart they really are. Self esteem gets lifted as their eyes are opened to their true potential. It opens a door of 'hope' for them.'

did not know how to read at all when he came to Sheffield Boot Camp, said, "That is the provlom to sit down and tech the people tyc.state.tx.us.

Camp, M had a roof over his that do not no how to read. I did git here but these people tach time to tech me." (Words, spelling and punctuation are his own. Nothing has been changed.)

"Even though this cadet still used negative behavior patterns has a long way to go, the fact that he can now write full sentences after only twelve short weeks of tutoring, is nothing short of a miracle," says Harber. His tutor says of him: "R has had vast improvements in spelling and reading. He is realizing mistakes and is self-correcting," says the cadet's tutor. "His confidence and self-esteem have grown tremendously. He is being asked, and more descrip- able to be out last Friday with her tive in his answers. He is even helper. eager to help other cadets."

than to touch a young person's heart and mind, thereby helping to improve the quality of his life. There is no greater satisfaction than to know you have been a small part in helping a young person turn their life around and direct it on a more positive, constructive and healthy path. One boot camp mentor said, "I feel that I'm contributing positively to my own growth as well as another's."

"We have made a wonderful start in both programs," Jane said. "But there is always room for more volunteers. We have opportunities available in all three areas of mentoring, as well as in our tutoring program, and we would like to share these opportunities with you ... our community friends and supporters. If you or any of your friends or associates would like to be a part of this great mission, we would love to have you! You'll be making a huge difference in someone's life ... and you won't be sorry you did!"

For further information One 16-year-old cadet who concerning becoming a volunteer mentor or tutor at Sheffield Boot Camp, contact Jane Harber, Community Relations Cowith all people have. Thay do ordinator, at 432-836-4624, ext. not have the purson to tach time 2215, or e-mail to jane.harber@

Shaw named to Sul Ross Dean's List

Rebekah Aubrey Shaw, of the semester. Ozona, was one of 289 students Alpine named to the fall semester Dean's List for 2005, the honor roll of students who maintained a GPA of 3.3 or above for

Eligible students are unat Sul Ross State University in dergraduates enrolled for 12 or more semester hours (full-time) with a GPA of 3.3 or higher on a 4.0 scale. Graduate hours are not included in the computations.

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Ozona Senior Happenings

By LYNN ENGLISH Senior Center Director

The shower we had Saturday head, food to eat and clothes to not no how to read when I fust night was greatly appreciated but left us wanting and needing more rain. Let's remember to join Rain. His request was sent out bring smiles with them. They ria Sr. and Josh Ramos. to 29 counties and I'm sure that Crockett County was one of

> We had our Crockett County Senior Center Bingo Social last Tuesday. We were very happy Al and Betty Fields were able to be here with us.

> Pleas Childress is home from San Angelo Community Medical Center. We are all happy to have him back in Ozona.

Eileen Childress is recovermore and more aware of what is ing from back surgery. She was

Last week, Merle and Mary There is no greater objective Welty came out to the Crockett County Senior Center to visit. After some information was exchanged and we all had a few laughs, they returned to their home. It was nice to have them

Monday morning we were delighted to have Scotty Moore drop in for a few minutes before Linda and he went to San Angelo. Drop ins are always welcome.

Concho Valley Chapter of Activity Professionals will be having their meeting on Friday at 8:30 a.m. at Baptist Memorials Center in San Angelo. Those who will attend will be Lynn English, Lupy Martinez and Jan St. Clair Tice.

The Crockett County Senior Board will meet at 5:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 6 in the Senior Center. All board members are urged to attend.

Concho Valley Community Action Council will be here from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Feb. 6. This organization helps those who qualify with their utlities.

If anyone needs transportation for the Senior Center, call

Lynn at 392-9094. We have changed our domino games to 2 p.m. Wednesdays

instead of Tuesdays. There are several things going on here at the Crockett County Senior Center. We have a number of games or you are welcome to bring your favorite game with you.

Our exercise class, "Walk Two Miles" is Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8:30 a.m.

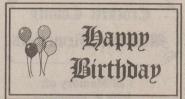
There is a fun bridge game sure cheer up my Mondays.

ladies from Iraan: Verna Sigmon, Casarez Wanda Watts, Mary Love and Helen Remy.

have a good pool table in the back room and we have recently purchased new cue sticks. Call your friends and get a game set marripa and Crystal Vasquez up one afternoon.

We have worked through all the puzzles that we had so if you have any puzzles that you don't know what to do with we could sure use them.

Our activities are for those of you over 50 years of age. (We are flexible). Come out and see us soon and see what you are missing.



Feb. 1 - Ashley DeHoyos and Ernesto Borrego Jr.

Feb. 2 - Gino Tambunga, Bishop Michael Pfeifer in prayer going every Monday. The ladies Matilda Camarillo, Orfelinda Al-Feb. 12 for a Day of Prayer for who come have such fun and aniz, Duncan Knox, Lalo Longo-

> Feb. 3 - Blanca Martinez, This Monday we had four Asia Dawn Lara and David Ray

> Feb. 4 - Dottie Gonzalez, Ryan James Sanchez, Shelly Le-If you are a pool player we chuga and Elizabeth Venegas

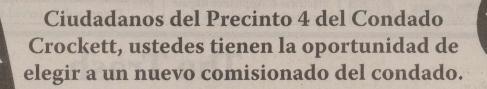
Feb. 5 - Jettie Adcock, Josh Long, Park Preddy, Abey Lara, Joshua Tambunga, Jason A. Sa-

Feb. 6 - Veronica Mendoza Feb. 7 - Alejandro Mendez and Sandy Gandar

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También siento que tenemos una comunidad que esta creciendo y cambiando muy rápidamente y es tiempo para ideas frescas e innovativas para mantenernos al paso con el crecimiento y las necesidades de este lugar. Yo quiero ser parte de esta experiencia y ser un líder para el futuro de nuestra comunidad. Yo tengo el deseo de unir al gobierno de nuestro condado para servir mejor a los ciudadanos del Precinto 4. Una de las preocupaciones mas importantes que tengo es enfocarnos en nuestros asuntos y problemas LOCALES y manejar las preocupaciones de nuestros ciudadados.

> Yo quiero ser su voz y representar a Todos las ciudadanos con igualdad y justicia. Quiero que también nuestra comunidad cresca en una manera segura y organizada la cual nos fortalecerá.

> > Yo invito a los ciudadanos de nuestra comunidad a que se comuniquen conmigo al teléfono 392-2876 o escribirme a atobar04@aol.com para escuchar sus preocupaciones y espero en el futuro muy lejano conocerlos y así escuchar sus comentarios y lo preocupa-

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By JAN ST. CLAIR TICE **Activity Director**

This week has really went by fast. It's hard to believe the month of Feb. is coming up. Our Valentine and resident's birthday party will be 3 p.m. Feb. 14 in the main dining room, sponsored by Crockett National Bank.

Monday afternoon, E.A. Wadsworth R.N. has her reading class. Residents look forward to E.A. coming. Also on Mondays, residents enjoy a game of trivia, which keeps our minds challenged. Resident Gloria Sanchez is known as our trivia queen.

Tuesday afternoon, Brother on Dec. 30 from the Crockett John Collis, Audrey Glynn and County Care Center Dietary De- Carol Adcock presented Baptist Bible Study.

A memorial was done in

Wednesday afternoon, Judy Reagor entertained our residents with her singing. We welcome everyone to come and enjoy Judy's singing with our residents.

Thursday morning, Rachel Ybarra volunteered for ladies beauty shop, along with her sweet treats she brings each week. Thank you Rachel.

Mary Ortiz from Village Drug came by with a large box of jewelry to share with our residents. Our ladies enjoy having a jewelry party. Thank you, Mary.

Thursday testing to be CNA's.

off and took part in our residents the residents enjoyed you all.

We would like to thank our members for their church services every Sunday morning. Jan. 22-27 is National Ac-

tivity Professionals Week, honoring Activity Directors and Assistants. Thanks goes to our young

volunteers Kimberly and Joe P. Borrego and Sabrina De La Garza for doing our residents Feb. room calendars so colorful.

Sunday afternoon, residents enjoyed music and singing by Joy Frost, Walter Hagen, Allen you all, everyone enjoyed the music and singing.



Submitted Photo

C.A.D. JAN ST. CLAIR AND ELSA VASQUEZ, A.D.A. at the care center during National Activity Professional Week Jan. 22-27.

Helping Hands to host Valentine dance

It is time to start planning for the Helping Hands dinner/ dance to be held on Feb. 14 at the Senior Center.

This is an evening of food and fun, with Willena and Jamie Knox, providing the dance Hands Building from Bertha. for those folks 50 and over.

Dinner will be served start-

ing at 6:30 p.m. with the dance following. The cost is \$7 per person or \$12 per couple. Tickets can be purchased from any Helping Hands Board member or picked up at the Helping

For more information, or to reserve a ticket, call 392-5026.

Obituaries

Helen Marie Mayes Wilson

Helen Marie Mayes Wilson passed away on Wednesday, Jan. 18, 2006. She was born June 7, 1924, the daughter of "Bud" and Clara Friend Mayes in Ozona. Helen was preceded in death by her husband Max M. Wilson.

She was graduate of Southwestern University in Georgetown, Ozona High School Health Texas. She began teaching elementary school in Ozona where she Science Class was here on met Max. They were married March 5, 1948.

Helen and Max moved to Roswell in 1955. Helen continued to The girls took a little time live in Roswell until moving Albuquerque in December of 2005.

Helen was loved and respected by all that knew her. She was volleyball game. Thank you girls, a member of many organizations including her PEO chapter, The Junior Book Club and Investment Club.

After her two sons and two daughters were grown she continued to faithful Ozona Church of Christ give and love and support to other children by volunteering at the hospital to rick premature babies. She was also active in the Roswell chapter of CASA where she earned immediate respect from her cow-workers. One judge praised her as being an exceptional advocate for the young and she was awarded Volunteer of the Year soon after joining.

Her family would like to thank her loyal friends who gave Helen love and support during her extended illness.

Helen is survived by her sister Ethel Henderson, of Kerrville; her children, Bobby and Sharon Wilson, of Albuquerque, Charley and Joan Wilson, of Friona, Janis and Rick Crawford, of Amarillo, Carol Wilson, of Dallas and many beloved nieces, nephews and friends.

A memorial service was held Friday, Jan. 27 at United Methodist Church. Internment will take place at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 3 at Cedar Hill Cemetery. Honorary pallbearers will be Zelda Jones, Levi Wil-Stover and Marty Noah. Thank liams, Cody Williams, Chad Sutherland, Troy Sutherland and Clifford McKee.

> In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in memory of Helen Wilson to Roswell CASA, 500 Main St. North, Roswell, NM 88201.

'We preach Jesus Christ'

By REV. ANN G. RIOS Templo Siloe, A/G

Due to time and space I cannot say in this message, all that I want to say about our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Given by the grace of God, it would take the modern preacher of today, approximately 20 to 30 minutes, to preach His message.

There is so much I would like to say about Christ, but I am limiting myself to three special thoughts.

I. We preach Jesus Christ, because He forgives your sins. II. Because He saves the

III. Because He's coming in

Jesus said, "Therefore I tell you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven," Luke 7:47. These words from Jesus, have crossed generations to generations and still come to us with the same

In Mark 2:10, we read "But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to He's coming for His church. But forgive sins." He said to the paralytic, "I say to you, Rise, take up your pallet and go home."

My dear friend...If your sins have not been forgiven, remember that Christ loves you, and wants to forgive you.

For our second thought, We preach Jesus Christ because He saves the soul. "And you shall call His name Jesus, which

means Saviour," Matthew 1:21. There are persons, who believe that the church, or the Bible or prayers will save them, but Christ's own words are these: "The Son of man came to seek and save that which is lost."

The apostle Peter wrote in Acts 4;12, "And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

Finally, we preach Jesus Christ because "He's coming in Glory." There has been so much said about the coming of Christ, that people don't really think it is important. I do believe, that He is coming soon. In the Living Bible, we read "See, I am coming soon, and my reward is with Me, to repay everyone according to the deeds he has done," Rev.22:12. "This Jesus, who was taken up from you, into heaven, will come in the sameway as you saw Him go into heaven," Acts

Why is the Lord coming? not any church.. a church that has been cleansed with the blood of the Lamb.

Dear friend and brother, if you are not prepared for the coming of Christ.. I beg you and plead with you, that you prepare yourself, so that you may have eternal life.

My prayer is: May God



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me of a problem Christians face in life.

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Pastor Jesse Cardona Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Tuesday Worship: 7 p.m. Ozona Church of Christ 1002 11th St.

The Trash

and when it should be taken out. I can't believe how much trash and garbage accumulates around here on a daily basis.

Our little trashcan in the kitchen seems to stay perpetually full. I don't know when I have gone by and found it empty. I

ing ourselves, (1 John 1:8 & 10). I have found that in everyday life they just sort of build up or accumulate. If we don't

deal with them, they will overwhelm us. I have also found that just like the trash that if my sins, (1 John 1:9) are dealt,

given, (Ephesians 1:7 &1 John 1:7). If we don't confess our sins we don't get forgiveness, (1 John 1:9).

(confessed) with frequently, (at least daily) they are not such a problem. The only reason God the Father can forgive our sins is because of what Jesus Christ did on the cross, (Revelation 1:5). It is because of His shed blood that we can be for-

can take it out in the morning and come by later on that day and it is already filling up again. Our kitchen trashcan reminds

Hauling out or getting rid of the daily sins we commit. If we say we don't have any sins the Bible says we are deceiv-

It can be a source of irritation for many marriages. Especially when the subject arises about who will take the trash out

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Thur. Service: 7:30 p.m.

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By Tracy Hildreth CEA-FCS

Water conservation begins at home

It's a blessing when it falls new homes, she added. from the sky to replenish the fields and lakes and streams.

It's wasted when it overflows from sprinkler systems into the street. It's fun to play in and delicious when cold.

It's a necessity for personal health, growing crops, maintaining life in all its forms.

It's water.

And it's available only in finite supply.

"We'll never have more water than we have now," said Janie Harris, Texas Cooperative Extension housing and environment specialist. And even though the water supply isn't getting any larger, both the world's population and the rate of water usage is, added Molly Griffin, Extension assistant.

Because of that, "our water supply is actually decreasing," she said. That's where conservation comes in. "We must reduce the amount of water usage per capita in order to increase the supply," Harris said. "Some communities have come close to running out of water."

In some areas, new housing developments are required to have methods of reducing water demand, such as catching rainwater or using gray water, Harris said.

Federal laws in effect since 1992 require water-conserving plumbing equipment, such as new water-conserving toilets and shower heads, to be used in used per flush, Harris said.

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But what about older houses? What can residents do to conserve water when their homes have older plumbing?

First, the experts said, fix

"That's No. 1," Harris said, adding that even small leaks waste a large amount of water.

Fixing leaks doesn't usually cost all that much, Griffin add-

"Usually it involves replacing a washer."

Everyday tasks can be done with less water.

"When you're washing the dishes, don't leave the faucet running," Harris said. "When you're washing the car, wash it over the grass.'

"That's helps with watering the grass and washes chemicals (debris) off on to the ground instead of out into the street," Griffin added. "The soil will naturally clean (the chemicals) over time."

"Or go to a car wash that recycles water," Harris said.

However, the experts said, water conservation in the home needs to start in the bathroom since most of the home's water

Homes built before 1992 probably don't have low-flush toilets. To cut back on wasted water in the bathroom, try filling rlastic bottles with water and placing them in the toilet's tank to displace the amount of water

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advice of using bricks to displace stolen. water in toilet tanks because the wet bricks tend to disintegrate and produce fine granules that keep the flapper valve from working correctly.

Check water usage habits, Harris and Griffin said. Behavior changes may be in order.

Learn to turn the water off while brushing teeth or shaving.

Be more careful with water when showering. Plumbing systems that take one to three minutes to deliver hot water to the shower are wasting about a gallon a minute, Harris said, even with new water-conserving shower heads.

Because water is such a common fact of life, water conservation might not be very high on many people's priority lists. That attitude needs to be adjusted. Harris said.

"I always ask them how much bottled water costs, and if they'll be willing to pay that much for every bit of water they use."

For more information on conserving water at home, visit Extension's Family and Consumer Sciences Web site at http://fcs.tamu.edu/ and click on the link to Housing and Environment, then on the link to water day at the Senior Center. placement

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CHAMBER: Two local girls expressed their opinions on missing cowboy hat

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missing, it was unbelievable how

many calls we received. The

families of these two girls shared

with the chamber how upset the

girls were. We thought it only

appropriate that they could share

in the celebration of its return,"

said Biggerstaff. "The Visitor

Center was built with the sup-

port of the community, and we

have seen since its opening just

how many local people share the

same pride as Mackenzie and

Kambri. This is the last time the

"When the first hat went

from page 1

"We have seen in two weeks what we saw in one month at our former location", said Shanon Biggerstaff, Executive Director for the Chamber.

Shortly after the center opened, two young children noticed the return of the infamous "hat." The welcome sign outside the building that reads, "Ozona Chamber of Commerce and Visitor Center Park" features the Templeton Construction recently She warned against the old replaced the original hat that was

Six-year-old Mackenzie Harris and Kambri Preddy, 5,

> Levis & Lace News

By TINA JARVIS Levis and Lace Square Dancer

Friday, Jan. 27, club members Leroy and Carol Adcock, Raul De La Rosa, Nell Wester, JoAnn Babbitt, Jim Couch, Lucy Hinde, Renee Padier and our student all danced at the Care Center. Afterwards, we had a lesson at the Senior Center.

Saturday, club members Leroy and Carol Adcock, Renee Padier, Nell Wester, Lucy Hinde, Tina Jarvis and Jim Couch traveled to Midland for their Winter Fest dance.

Caller Art Tangen from Witchita, Kansas kept six squares busy with mainstream and plus

Rounds were cued between tips and a great assortment of food was prepared for us. There were prizes raffled off and Leroy and Carol won a candle set.

Our next lesson will be Fri-

Saturday, some of us will travel to Uvalde for their dance featuring caller Bill Pritchard.

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hat will be replaced, and it is our

hope that anyone who might be

up to mischief understands that

what they are doing, they are do-

the hat, lighting and surveillance

would also like to invite the com-

munity to a dedication and rib-

bon cutting ceremony scheduled

at 1 p.m. Feb. 22. The ceremony

will be held on the plaza area at

the east entrance of the building,

and will be followed by tours of

the chamber at 392-3737.

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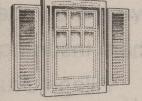
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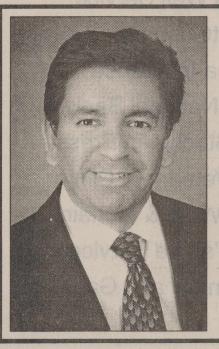
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Eighth Grade Lady Lions pounce Owls

By MELISSA PERNER **Editor and Publisher**

The Eighth Grade Lady Lions pounded the Reagan County Lady



Photo by Joe Hernandez VANESSA RODRIQUEZ, an eighth grade Lady Lion, scored five points in the Jan. 23 40-11 victory over Reagan County.

Owls, 40-11 on Jan. 23.

Scoring for the Lady Lions was: Jayci Miller 15; Vanessa Rodriquez 5; Alex Macias 5; Myra Dominquez 4; Brandi Glosson 4; Kelsey Childress 2; Alex Cruz 3 and Brandyn Tebbetts 2.

Score by quarter: Ozona – 12 8 9 11 - 40; Reagan County - 4 322 - 9.

"These eighth grade girls had the best game of their season. Everyone on the team scored, everyone played with heart and determination and at the same time had fun playing. We had a good crowd that night and the fans really gave us a lot of compliments and said they had fun watching this team and that they are a really good team. These girls only have one game left and we've had a great season. This is really a great group of girls. We had a total of five three-pointers made that night which is good for a junior high team," said Coach Kim Miller.

The Lady Lions are 12-2 overall. They will play their final game of the season against Eldorado at 5 p.m. in Eldorado.



Photo by Joe Hernandez BRANDI GLOSSON PASSES THE BALL TO ALEX CRUZ in the eighth grade Lady Lions Jan. 23 game against Reagan County.

Seventh Grade Lions defeat Reagan Co. Owls by three

By MELISSA PERNER Editor and Publisher

The Seventh Grade Lions defeated the Reagan County Owls, 23-20, on Jan. 23.0

Scoring for the Lions was: Jose Aguilar 7; Josh Gonzales 6; Abey Lara 5; Eric Talamantez 3 and Russel Komechak 2. Also playing was: Stefan Wilson, Kyle Dean, Trey Fierro and Andrew Hamilton.

Score by quarters: Ozona – 4 5 10 4 - 23; Reagan County - 4

We really needed this win," said Coach Levi Box. "We started out 42-10. a little slow in the first half. We missed some open shots and gave nora 16-37 on Jan. 24. Scoring for at 5 p.m. Friday at Wall and then up some easy baskets. After halftime we came out ready to play though. Our intensity picked up and our shots began to fall. I was proud of the way the guys turned it on in the third quarter."

The Lions are 6-5 overall and 4-4 in district play. They will play their final game of the season against Eldorado at 5 p.m. Monday at the Becky Childress

Score by quarters: Ozona – 1

- 5; Reagan County 13 2 - 15.

played hard again they had to

play 8th graders but we held or

own. We have improved every

week and continue to work hard

'This was a big game for us. Memorial Gymnasium. Seventh Grade Lady Lions 'B' Team lose to Lady Owls

and Alma Elizondo.

By MELISSA PERNER **Editor and Publisher**

The Seventh Grade Lady Lions "B" Team lost to the Reagan County Lady Owls 5-15 on

Scoring for the Lady Lions: Kellie Pilcher 1, Jayden Poindexter 2 and Rocio Torres 2. Also playing was: Roxanne Talamantez, Crystal Vsquez, Cristi Smith, Rebecca Pierce, Robyn Slayter, Ashley Lewis, Layla Perez, Mariah Gallardo, Leandra Hernandez day in Eldorado.

7th Grade Lady Lions fall to Reagan Co. By MELISSA PERNER Editor and Publisher

The Seventh Grade Lady Photo by Joe Hernandez Lions lost to Reagan County, 15-ROCIO TORRES manuvers the ball toward the basket for the sev-20, on Jan. 23.

Scoring for the Lady Lions was: Kristen Mendoza 7; Britni Mitchel 2; Rea Lynn Arredondo 2 and Jennifer Allen 4. Also playing was: Melanie Miller, Chelsea Moore, Makayla Badillo, Brenda Venegas, Gaby Rodriguez and Rebecca Ramos.

Lions struggle in district games **By MELISSA PERNER Editor and Publisher**

The Ozona Lions lost to Sonora 46-56 on Jan. 24.

Scoring for the Lions are: Justin Galan 12; Levi Vargas 10; Matt McGuire 7; Caleb Mitchel 5; Josh Santos 4; Drew Clayton 4 and Tate Collis 4. Also playing was: Robert DeHoyos, Daniel Cruz and Jimmy Tebbetts.

Score by quarters: Ozona – 9 8 11 18 – 46; Sonora – 10 15 13 18 - 56.

Score by quarters: Ozona – 1 3 5 6 – 15; Reagan County – 2 4

"We played really well over all, we missed a few opprotunites with free throws. We played great defense and just came up short. We are ready to move on to the next one," Coach John Esparza.

The Lady Lions will play their final game of the season against Eldorado at 5 p.m. Monday in Eldorado.

The Lions lost to Grape Creek, 58-63, on Jan. 27. Scoring for the Lions was: McGuire 19; Galan 18; Vargas 10; Santos 5; Mitchel 4 and DeHoyos 2. Also playing was: Cruz, Tebbetts and Clayton.

21 16 13 - 63.

The Lions are 11-13 overall; Bachman. 2-7 in district play. They will take on Wall at 8 p.m. Friday at Wall and then Mason at 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Davidson Gymnasium.

JV Lions sink Sonora and Eldorado

By MELISSA PERNER **Editor and Publisher**

The JV Lions defeated the Sonora Broncos 43-20 Jan. 24.

Scoring for the Lions was: Matthew Garza 11; Steven Silva 11; Rylee Ramos 10; Rocky Munoz 6 and Matt Turland 5. Also playing was: Abel Villereal and John Tom Tijerina.

Score by quarters: Ozona 18 8 9 8 - 43; Sonora - 2 2 7

The Lions also defeated the Grape Creek Eagles 51-47 on Jan. 27. Scoring for the Lions was: Munoz 22; Ramos 10; Turland 10; Silva 4; Villereal 3 and Daniel Gonzales 2.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 15 9 9 18 - 51; Grape Creek -1191314-47.

The Lions are 11-10 overall. They will take on Wall at 5 p.m. Friday at Wall and then Mason at 5 p.m. Tuesday at the Davidson Gymnasium.

JV Lady Lions defeat Junction, fall to Sonora, Grape Creek

By MELISSA PERNER **Editor and Publisher**

The JV Lady Lions defeated Junction, 37-10, on Jan. 20.

Scoring for the Lady Lions was: Farran Wilson 16; Alexa Cervantez 9; Morgan Glosson 4; Adrienne Bendele 4 and Melissa Miller 4. Also playing was: Cristina Rodriquez, Desiree Galan and Stacy Silva.

- 7 11 10 9 - 37; Junction - 0 4

playing was: Rodriquez, Galan, Bendele and Miller.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 0 0 12 4 - 16; Sonora - 10 7

The Lady Lions lost to Grape Creek 28-42 on Jan. 27. Scoring for the Lady Lions was: Cervantez 11; Glosson 7; Wilson 3; Bendele 2; Rodriquez 2 and Galan 1. Also playing was: Miller.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 7 Score by quarters: Ozona 2 5 14 - 28; Grape Creek - 10 5 11 16 - 42.

The Lady Lions are 5-16 The Lady Lions lost to So- overall. They will take on Wall the Lady Lions was: Cervantez Mason at 5 p.m. Tuesday at the 8; Glosson 6 and Wilson 2. Also Davidson Gymnasium.

Ozona Lady Lions fall to Sonora, Grape Creek

By MELISSA PERNER Editor and Publisher

The Lady Lions lost to Sonora, 28-34, on Jan. 24.

Scoring for the Lady Lions was: Kasey Gray 7; Malorie Moran 6; Sara Dorrough 4; Teri Miller 4; Megan McDaniel 3; Celia Rivera 2 and Frankie Skinner 2. Also playing was: Allie Bean and Alysha Lara. The girls come out and

Score by quarters: Ozona - 6 12 2 8 - 28; Sonora - 11 9

The Lady Lions lost to Grape every day. I couldn't be prouder Creek, 20-50, on Jan. 27. Scoring

of them," said Coach John Es-Eighth Grade The Lady Lions will play Lions 'B' Team their final game of the season against Eldorado at 5 p.m. Mondefeat Reagan County 12-7

By MELISSA PERNER **Editor and Publisher**

The Eighth Grade Lions "B" Team defeated the Reagan County Owls 12-7 on Jan. 23.

Scoring for the Lions was: Lane White 8; Nick Hill 2 and David Perez 2. Also playing was: Richard Borrego, Austin Whitten, Sean Davis, Austin Suddreth and Jayce Logan.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 4 8-12; Reagan County -34-7. "This was a big win for our

guys as they worked very hard and played well as a team against a scrappy Reagan Co. bunch. I felt we did a great job defensively and out hustled our opponents. Score by quarters: Ozona – 9 This group continues to improve 20 15 14 – 58; Grape Creek – 13 each week as they work very hard in practice," said Coach Rick

The Lions will play their final game against Eldorado Monday at 5 p.m. at the Becky Childress Memorial Gymnasium.

for the Lady Lions was: McDaniel 6; Skinner 6; Dorrough 6 and Lara 2. Also playing was: Gray, Bean, Miller, Rivera and Moran. Score by quarters: Ozona – 7

2 2 9 - 20; Grape Creek - 11 12 14 13 - 50.

The Lady Lions are 4-23 overall. They will take on Wall at 6:30 p.m. Friday at Wall and then Mason at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Davidson Gymnasium.



ASHLEY ANDERSON puts the ball up to the basket for the JV Gold Lady Lions

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enth grade "B" Lady Lions in their game against Reagan County.

By MELISSA PERNER

The Eighth Grade Lions lost

Scoring for the Lions was:

to the Reagan County Owls, 12-

Matthew Fay 6; Jaron Vasquez 4

and Kurtlan Reyes 2. Also playing

was: K.C. Carson, Kyle Sewell,

Josh Ramos, Dylan Castillo and

6 2 2 - 12; Reagan County - 8 0

win this game but we got behind

early in the first quarter and re-

ally never got any rhythm going

offensively. The first time we

Score by quarters: Ozona – 2

"I really felt like we would

Editor and Publisher

17, on Jan. 23.

Markaus Galindo.

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Eighth Grade Lions lose to Owls

played Reagan County it was a

close game and I felt it would

be close again, but we were very

cold shooting the ball all night. I

am proud of the way we basically

shut them down after the first

quarter as the boys played some

good defense and hustled after

rebounds. I still feel these boys

will be a very good basketball

team if they ever put everything

The Lions are 4-6 overall

together and hit on all cylinders,'

and 4-4 in district play. They

will play their final game of the

season against Eldorado at 5 p.m.

Monday at the Becky Childress

Memorial Gymnasium.

said Coach Rick Bachman.

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Photo by Joe Hernandez KENDRA PRATT moves the ball down the court in the JV Gold



Photo by Joe Hernandez JV GOLD LADY LION ABIGAIL JADE RODRIGUEZ looks for an open teammate to pass to in their game against Big Lake.

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IN HONOR OF SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH, Ozona Primary School hosted a luncheon on Wednesday, January 25th for the Crockett County School Board members. The food was prepared by the staff at OPS. All school board members were able to attend. TOP: School board members (left to right) Jana Wilson, one year, Tom Anderson, five years, Veronica Fierro, 12 years, Dwight Childress, one year and Laurie Hale, six years, were presented Certificates of Appreciation by OPS Principal Kim Castleberry. LEFT: Kindergarten teacher, Dena Porter, presented Carol Buie with a Certificate of Appreciation from OPS. Buie has served for two years. RIGHT: School Board President, Marcus Sims is shown with Interim Superintendent John King and OPS Principal Kim Castleberry. Sims has served for 11 years.

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Please submit your bids to the address mentioned above by Feb. 1.

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5:30 p.m.

Feb. 6 -

Feb. 7 - Middle School Pizza

Feb. 8 -

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PARK: Project comes as result of two recently enacted state laws

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generate more than \$1 million per year in out-of-county visitor spending.

The commissioners had postponed their decision from their Nov. 3 due to a conflict with the parties involved.

Several Crockett County landowners, whose land is adjacent to the proposed park area, spoke out against the park for various reasons including increased traffic, noise pollution, grass fires and erosion.

These concerns were addressed at public hearings in rectors are aiming to open the September and October in Ozona and during the Nov. 3 commissioners meeting in

TMTC officials stated that they chose the site because of its remoteness, good paved access and low likelihood to impact natural or cultural re-

Access to the site is via state highways, a paved two lane county road and a deeded easement offered by an adjacent landowner who supports the project.

The park would be owned and operated by TMTC, who also run a similar park near cerns, the site contains no the city of Gilmer in northeast running streams or springs. Texas. The land for that park The project calls for silt rewas also acquired through a tention structures to minimize grant from TPWD.

to pay property taxes but they will be less than residential is opened to the public. Few,

the TMTC board of directors, said the group sticks to their helmets, no firearms allowed on the property and banning members for numerous infrac-

tually close on the property ment plan to guide develop-

He said this is estimated to and that should happen fairly quickly. With the support we received from Crockett County, we are looking forward to coming into the community. It will take some time to open the park. We have to have a specific development plan, so it will take a while before we are open to the public," Smith said. "I would like to thank all the support we received from the community. It was phenominal. It assured us that would be

> welcomed there." The TMTC Board of Dipark by July 2007.

> Parks and wildlife officials also stated that concerns can be addressed by controlling site development to make sure there are adequate visual and noise buffer zones along the perimeter, plus good fences to control traffic and prevent trespass between the site and neighboring land.

> The trails coalition has said there are two water wells on the property with 20,000 gallon storage, and the group intends to create a fire substa-

Regarding erosion conoff-site erosion run-off during The TMTC will also have storm events, which would be constructed before the site if any structures on adjacent Carol Smith, a member of properties are visible from the acquisition site.

After the site is acquired, rules of riders having to wear all necessary natural and cultural resource clearances and permits would be obtained prior to construction.

TPWD would oversee de-"The next step is to ac-velopment of a site manage-

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ment and the department would continue to have oversight and control after the OHV park is operating.

Two recently enacted state laws are driving the creation of new off-highway vehicle recreation areas in Texas.

The 78th Texas Legislature enacted Senate Bill 155 several years ago, which closed all navigable stream beds in Texas, except for some parts of the Canadian and Red Rivers, to motorized recreational ve-

That law also directed TPWD to "facilitate development of sites for motor vehicle recreation other than protected freshwater areas."

The more recent 79th Texas Legislature last year enacted Senate Bill 1311, which directed TPWD to establish and maintain a public system of trails and other recreational areas for use by off-highway

The National Recreational Trails Fund (NRTF) is the funding source for the Crockett County grant. This 80-20 matching grant program requires grant recipients to come up with an additional amount equal to 20 percent of the federal grant.

These funds come from the federal tax generated by gasoline purchases for off-road recreational vehicles, such as off-road motorcycles and 'allterrain vehicles.

The purpose is to create and maintain motorized and nonmotorized recreational trails.

A federal requirement is that 30 percent of the funds be spent on motorized recreational trail projects, 30 percent on non-motorized trail projects, with the remaining 40 percent

New off-highway vehicle decal to fund trail grants

AUSTIN — As directed by a new state law, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is start7 ing a new Texas Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Program that requires people who buy a vehicle sold for off road use on public land in Texas to buy an annual decal. Decal sales revenue will fund grants to create or improve motor vehicle parks in Texas.

Decals are not required for OHV use on private lands.

For the first year of the program, the OHV decal will cost \$8 and will be current from Jan. 1-Aug. 31, 2006. After the first from Sep. 1 through the following Aug. 31, matching the TPWD fiscal year.

OHV decals are now available for sale, and game wardens Texas is one example of an OHV will begin enforcing the new rules. A person caught riding on Trails Coalition has operated public land without a decal could be issued a citation and fined.

over the phone with a credit air station, pavilion, office and card by calling (512) 389-8917. Eventually, decals may be sold over the Internet and at some OHV parks and dealerships.

eral years ago, which closed all area navigable stream beds in Texas, torized recreational vehicles. "facilitate development of sites for motor vehicle recreation other than protected freshwater

The department administers Web site. another grant program that can all-terrain vehicles. A federal re- in WMAs. quirement is that 30 percent of the funds be spent on motorized

percent on non-motorized trail projects, with the remaining 40 percent discretionary.

"There is a growing demand for OHV recreation areas in Texas, and most off-road enthusiasts will tell you there are too few places for people to ride," said Steve Thompson with the TPWD Recreational Grants Branch in

"Our agency has been directed by the legislature to provide more OHV opportunities. We want to do that in ways that are safe and environmentally year, OHV decals will be good sustainable and that maintain good relations with neighbors and local communities."

The Barnwell Mountain Recreational Area in Northeast venue. The Texas Motorized the 1,800-acre site in Upshur County since 2000. Facilities Decals can be purchased include showers, restrooms, an campsites with R/V hookups and electricity. News articles have quoted local officials in nearby Gilmer praising the operation The 78th Texas Legislature as safe and positive in bringing enacted Senate Bill 155 sev- economic development to the

Relatively few public parks except for some parts of the Ca- or public lands in Texas curnadian and Red Rivers, to mo- rently allow OHV recreation. The department is compiling a That law also directed TPWD to list of public parks or land where OHV recreation is legal. Shown below, the list currently stands at 16 locations, but it is expected to change as TPWD gets new The more recent 79th Texas information. This list of OHV Legislature in 2005 enacted Sen- legal sites is in draft form. The ate Bill 1311, which created the list is expected to be complete new OHV decal and program later this month will eventually administered by the department. be published on the department

Eisenhower State Park north fund off-highway vehicle proj- of Dallas is the only state park ects. The National Recreational that offers OHV recreation, but Trails Fund (NRTF) is an 80-20 only in a 10-acre Mini Bike Park matching grant that requires re- within the state park. TPWD cipients to provide an amount wildlife management areas are equal to 20 percent of the federal not open to recreational trail ridgrant. Funds come from a portion ing; however, ATV use by peoof the federal gas tax generated ple with disabilities who have an by gasoline purchases to utilize official placard or license plate is off-road recreational vehicles, allowed for them to travel to and such as off-road motorcycles and from hunting or fishing locations

Goals of the new OHV program are to establish and maintain a public system of trails and other recreational areas for offhighway vehicles, improve existing trails and other recreational areas and foster responsible use of off-highway vehicles.

(1) an all-terrain vehicle, as defined by Section 663.001 of the Transportation Code; (2) an offhighway motorcycle; or (3) any other four-wheel drive vehicle not registered to be driven on a highway.

The new decal is required Rails).

recreational trail projects, 30 for any OHV operating in Texas on public land or on land purchased with grant funding from

Parks and Public Lands in Texas Where the Texas OHV Decal Is Required

Austin/Travis County: · Emma Long City Park

(Motorcycles only) • Silverton/Briscoe County: · Lake Mackenzie Recre-

ation Area (ATV's & Motorcycles only) Pampa/Gray County: McClellan National Grass-

Brenham/Washington

land (ATV's & Motorcycles

County: · US Army Corp of Engineers Lake Summerville/Rocky Creek OHV area (ATV's & Mo-

torcycles only) Montgomery/Walker and

Grimes Counties: · Sam Houston National Forest (ATV's & Motorcycles

Brownsville/Cameron

 Boca Chica Beach (ATV's Gilmer/Upshur County:

· Barnwell Mountain Recreational Area (ATV's, Motorcycles & Full Size OHV's)

Pottsboro/Grayson County: • Eisenhower State Park (10 acre Mini Bike Park only)

Fabens/El Paso County: · San Felipe County Park (Dune Buggies, ATV's & Mo-

Trophy Club/Denton County: · Marshall Creek OHV Area (ATV's, Motorcycles & Full Size

Big Spring/Howard County: Moss Creek Lake Recreation Area (ATV's & Motorcycles only)

San Angelo/Tom Green

• Twin Buttes Reservoir Park (ATV's & Motorcycles

Lake Meredith National Recreation Area/Alibates National Monument/Moore & Potter Counties:

· Blue Creek OHV Area (ATV's, Motorcycles, Full Size OHV's, Dune Buggies & Sand Rails).

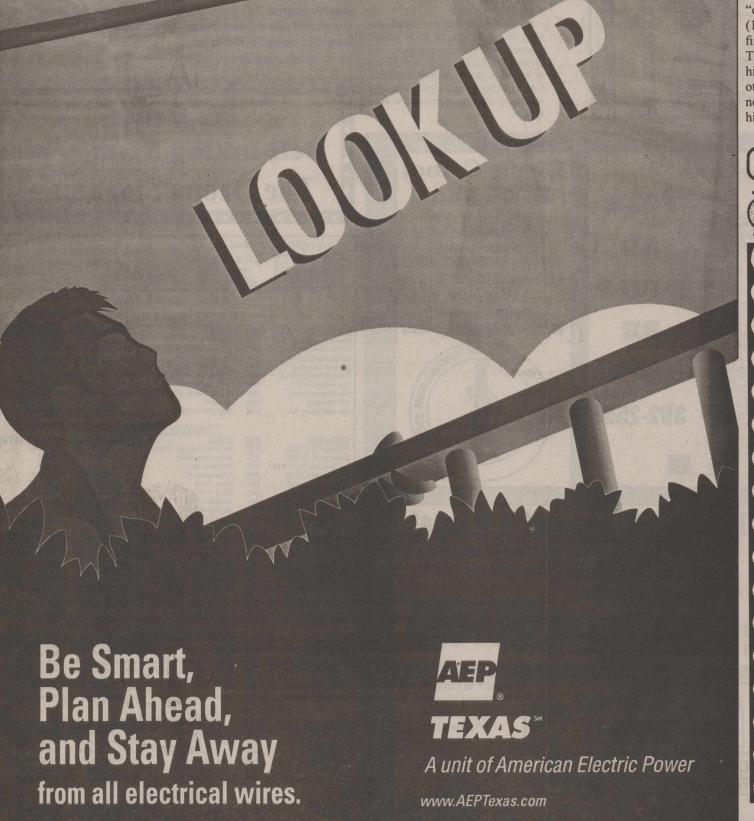
· Rosita OHV Area (ATV's, Motorcycles, Full Size OHV's, Dune Buggies & Sand Rails).

· Navigable Rivers: (ATV's, Motorcycles, Full Size OHV's, Dune Buggies & Sand Rails).

· Canadian River: (Oldham, The legislation defines Potter, Hutchinson, Roberts, & "off-highway vehicle" as either Hemphill Counties) (ATV's, Motorcycles, Full Size OHV's, Dune Buggies & Sand Rails).

· Prairie Dog Town Fork of the Red River: (Randall, Armstrong, and Briscoe Counties) (ATV's, Motorcycles, Full Size OHV's, Dune Buggies & Sand

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Junction Stockyards Market Report **Sheep and Goats** Jan. 30, 2006

We sold 1 679 head of sheep and goats today. Kids and nannies steady.

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#1 spring lambs 50-70 lbs.	1.20-1.25
#1 spring lambs 70-90 lbs.	1.05-1.15
#1 old crop lambs 50-70 lbs.	1.05-1.15
#1 old crop lambs 70-90 lbs.	1.00-1.05
Fat ewes	50-55
Thin ewes	45-55
Bucks	30-50
Solid mouth ewes	80-1.00
Ewe & lamb pairs	55-65/hd
Baby tooth Angora stocker nannies	60-80
Solid mouth Angora stocker nannies	55-65
Stocker Angora muttons	55-65
Angora Kids	1.30-1.40
Angora Kids-shorn	1.10-1.20
Weighing Angoras-shorn (thin)	40-45
Weighing Angoras-shorn (fat) nannies	45-55
Stocker Spanish nannies	70-85
Fat Spanish nannies	60-70
Fat Spanish muttons	90-1.10
Fat Spanish billies	70-85
Fat yearlings	95-1.05
Fat Spanish kids	1.20-1.30
Small kids	1.20-1.30
Thin kids	1.10-1.20
Spanish nanny & kid pairs	40-55/hd

Next goat sale - Feb. 6, 2006

Crockett County Sheriff's Report

CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	NEWS R
TYPE OF CALLS	# OF
Abandoned/impounded vehicles	2
Animal control, complaints, Game Warden's	4
Civil Complaints	1
Civil Service	8
Courtesy Transports	1
Criminal Activity Complaints	2
Disturbances, Domestic, Loud Noise etc.	12
Juvenile Complaints	7
Locked vehicles	17
911 Medical, Fire Calls	16
Motorist Assistance	11
Reckless driving/speeding complaints	3
Security Alarms	1
Sheriff's Office/ Jail Admin.	26
State/County Road calls	4
Suspicious Persons/Vehicles	4
Welfare Concern Citizen/Property	2
Welfare Assistance (Gas, Food, Lodging)	5
Vehicle Accidents	4

WEEKLY NEWS REPORT

OUTSTANDINGWARRANTS: The following persons have outstanding Felony or Misdemeanor Warrants in Crockett County. It is against the law to aid, harbor, or assist in preventing arrest/apprehension of a person with Felony warrants.

Nino Castillo Tambunga, of Ozona, failure to comply with requirements on striking unattended vehicle, Class "A" and driving while intoxicated

Class "B" misdemeanor. · Joe Sanchez, of Ozona, Class "A' misdemeanor assault causing bodily injury (family violence).

• Mario Najera Aguilar, of San Angelo, theft/adjudication of guilt -· John David Lozano, of Sonora,

failure to appear/resisting arrest and failure to appear/evading arrest misdemeanors · Stacy Lynn Mann, of Roundrock,

failure to appear/possession of mari-

ARREST REPORT

Federal hurricane aid falls short



CALLS

· Margaret M. McElwain, 49, was

arrested by DPS Trooper on charges

of public intoxication and unlawful

possession of firearm. Subject re-

· Raymond Thomas McElwain, 54,

was arrested by DPS Trooper on

charges of driving while intoxicated

and unlawful possession of firearm.

Subject remains in jail unable to

· Ismael Reyes Castro, 43, was ar-

rested by DPS Trooper on a violation

of parole warrant. Subject remains in

· Juan Juarez, 43, was arrested by

DPS Trooper on a charge of driv-

ing while license suspended. Subject

· Joe Martinez Santiago, 36, was

transfer by Reagan County Deputy

to Crockett County awaiting court.

Oswaldo Sotelo, 25, was arrested by

DPS Trooper on a Bexar County War-

rant for theft by check. Subject was

An unlawful possession of firearm

by felon, report was filed by sheriff

· A terroristic threat report of was

filed by sheriff deputy. Subject

threaten a public servant investiga-

· An abandon vehicle report was filed

by sheriff deputy: car was removed

· A criminal mischief report was

filed by sheriff deputy: local citizen

advised that person or person dam-

age his property on Swaps Street,

investigation continues.

from Rio Grande and Nassau streets.

deputy. Subjects were arrested.

released from jail after posting bond.

INCIDENT REPORTS

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tion continues.

was released after posting bond.

jail awaiting a hearing from parole.

mains in jail unable to make bond.

Despite requests by the governor and other ranking officials, Texas has not received the level of fed-

eral financial aid expected in the aftermath of hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

And whether the Lone Star State ever will receive adequate help seems to be in question.

In late January, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Secretary Alphonso Jackson said Texas would receive only \$74.5 million.

The statement prompted an outcry from Texas' four top elected officials: "We sought close to \$1 billion. The HUD verbally committed to hundreds of millions of dollars, and instead they gave us little more than the change from their couch cushions," Gov. Perry said, adding that \$74.5 million is less than 10 percent of the hurricane-related costs incurred by Texans.

"Critical repairs to schools, hospitals, universities, electric grids, ports, and water and sewer lines will go unfunded unless HUD revisits this," Perry added.

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, who presides over the Texas Senate, and U.S. Sens. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Dallas, and John Cornyn, R-San Antonio, joined Perry in expressing disappointment in the federal government's hurricane relief response.

Mississippi and Louisiana bore the brunt of Hurricane Katrina Aug. 29.

Rita's eye struck Sabine Pass on the Texas-Louisiana coast and moved to inland counties and parishes on Sept. 24.

AG chases phone record resellers

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott on Jan. 26 launched an investigation into allegations that certain Internet sites are selling Texans' personal cell phone

"This is a serious breach of personal privacy," Abbott said. "The business of using trickery to obtain consumers' cell phone records amounts to nothing more than the illegal trafficking of private information."

Abbott said online data marketers are charging \$50 to \$200 for obtaining records of specific cell phone calls, usually those made over the previous 30 days, and some companies falsely tell their customers that these records are public information.

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State will cover drug benefit

More than 320,000 Texans qualify for help in paying for prescription drugs under federal Medicare entitlement or through Medicaid, the state health coverage program reimbursed by the federal government.

On Jan. 1 entitled individuals were automatically enrolled in a new federal drug program that in many cases stopped paying for life-sustaining medications.

Medicare officials said the agency expects to fix drug benefit errors, eventually. Gov. Perry on Jan. 25 directed the state Health and Human Services Commission to cover the cost of those medications as a stop-gap measure.

Agency awards hog study grants

Settlers introduced domestic pigs to Texas more than 200 years ago. Escapes were not uncommon.

Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs said Texas has the dubious distinction of being the feral hog capital of the United States, with up to 2 million wild porkers running loose.

They run in packs, root and wallow. They can be aggressive toward other animals and humans, spread disease, ruin a picnic, foul a water supply and destroy pasture, fence and crop. Hunters have said feral hogs have humanlike intelligence.

Combs' agency has awarded half a million dollars in grants to Texas A&M University and Texas Tech University to research the problem and suggest solu-

Perry visits troops in war zone

Gov. Perry was one of four governors to take a U.S. Department of Defense junket to visit troops stationed in the Middle East in late January.

Perry first met with active and reserve soldiers and sailors in Kuwait, next visited Texas troops in Tikrit, Iraq, and later met with military officials in Baghdad.

Accompanying Perry were governors Mike Huckabee, R-Arkansas; Dave Freudenthal, D-Wyoming; and Jim Doyle, D-Wisconsin.

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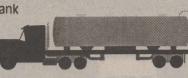


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