



# BLESSINGS AT EASTER



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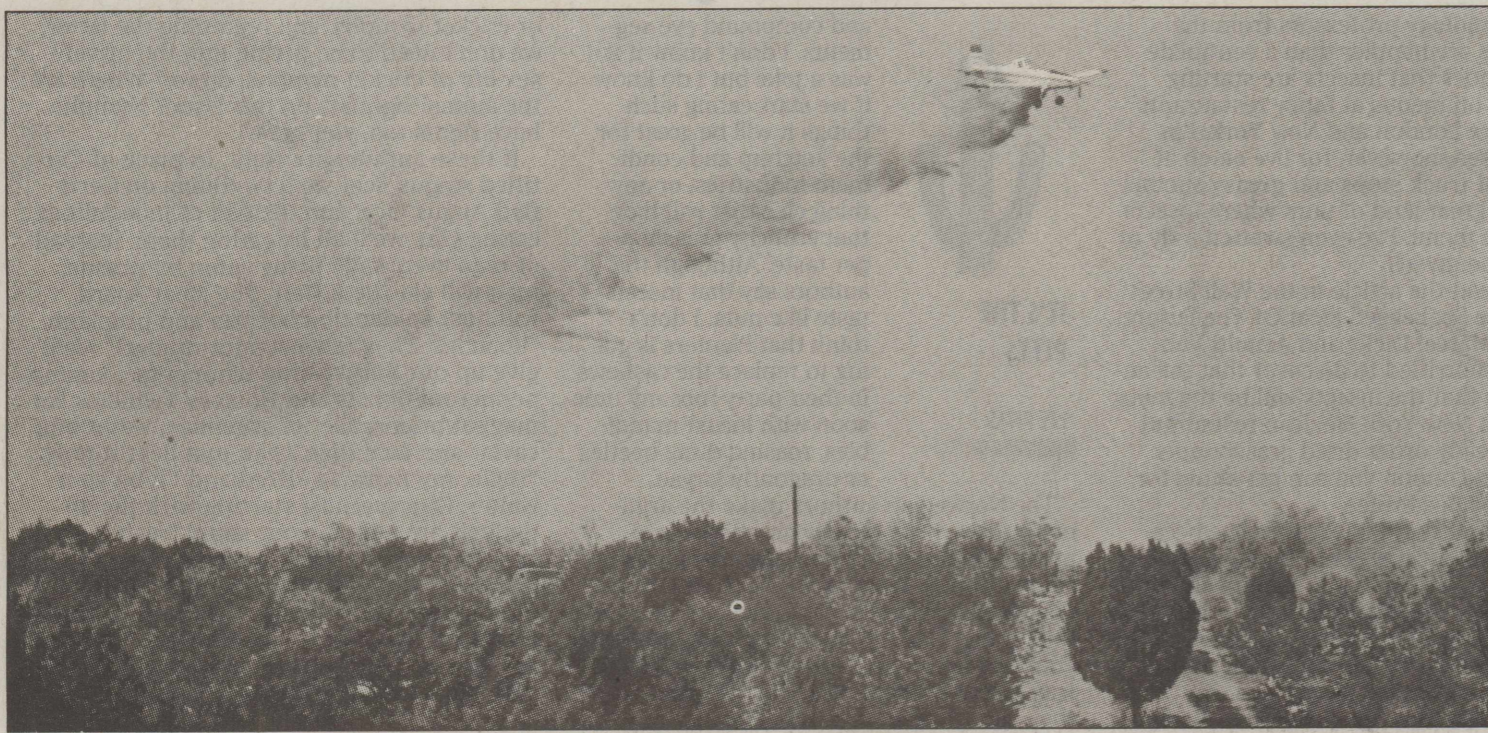
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# Burning land



A FOREST SERVICE PLANE drops fire retardant on a hill above Pandale Road Sunday. Grass fires on the land burned an estimated 40,000 acres.

## Grass fires blaze across acres

BY MELISSA PERNER  
 THE OZONA STOCKMAN

Smoke could still be seen Monday afternoon south of town. The smell of burnt brush and cedar also lingered in the air. The difference in Monday afternoon compared to last Thursday was that at the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department, life was less hectic. For eight days, firefighters battled a massive wildfire blaze south of Ozona. The fire, which started April 10 off of Pandale Road, is now estimated at 40,000 acres. By late Monday afternoon, Fire Marshal Steve Kenley had declared "the worst is over." "Right now, this one is not close to being finished, but things are looking better," Kenley said. More than 100 forest service firefighters worked on back burns and containment Monday

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MELISSA PERNER AND JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN  
**RIGHT: CROCKETT COUNTY CITIZENS** gather Sunday to pray for rain. **BOTTOM: MIDLAND COUNTY FIREFIGHTER** Allen Graham wets down hot spots in a burned area.



## Stockman to close for Good Friday

The Ozona Stockman will be closed Friday, April 22, for the Good Friday holiday.

Deadline is NOON Monday, April 25, for the April 27 edition. Have a Happy Easter!

## Easter Egg Hunt Sunday

County Wide Easter Egg Hunt will be on Sunday, April 24, at 2 p.m. at the town square.

Donations for prizes, real eggs, plastic eggs or individual candy eggs are welcome.

Anyone donated real eggs, the eggs need to be cooked and colored. If not, the Knights of Columbus will

prepare all real eggs on Saturday, April 23.

All eggs and prizes need to be delivered to the gazebo by 1 p.m. Sunday.

Children ages 0 to 10 are welcome to hunt eggs.

The Easter Bunny will also make an appearance.

For more information, call Frank Tambunga at 392-2827.

## OHS student places in art event

OHS student Nicole Higgins made a three at the State Visual Art Scholastic Event (VASE) two weeks ago in League City, Texas. VASE is the only art event of its kind in the nation.

This year was the first year for Ozona High School Art students to participate in VASE.

"I am so proud of her for making it. We are already thinking about next year," said OHS Art Teacher Ariel Kellogg.



## Renfroe advances to regional golf

The Lions and Lady Lions competed in the first round of District play on April 4 at the Bentwood Country Club.

The Lions shot a team score of 414 to sit in fourth place after first round action.

The Lions were led by Lane Hale who managed a 96 and Stefan Wilson who shot a 97. Other team members who competed were Weston Seahorn, Erik Carrizales, A.J. Ramos, Cris Taylor and Ryan Kennedy.

The Lady Lions also competed at in district play.



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## Lady Lions begin playoff run



THE LADY LIONS SOFTBALL TEAM finished second in District 7-AA and will begin their playoff run this week against Comfort. The game will be played in Junction either Friday or Saturday. Exact game day and time was not available at press time. Check www.ozonastockman.com for more details. The Lady Lions played their final home game on April 12 with a 9-2 win. During the game, Senior players were honored.

## State bound students

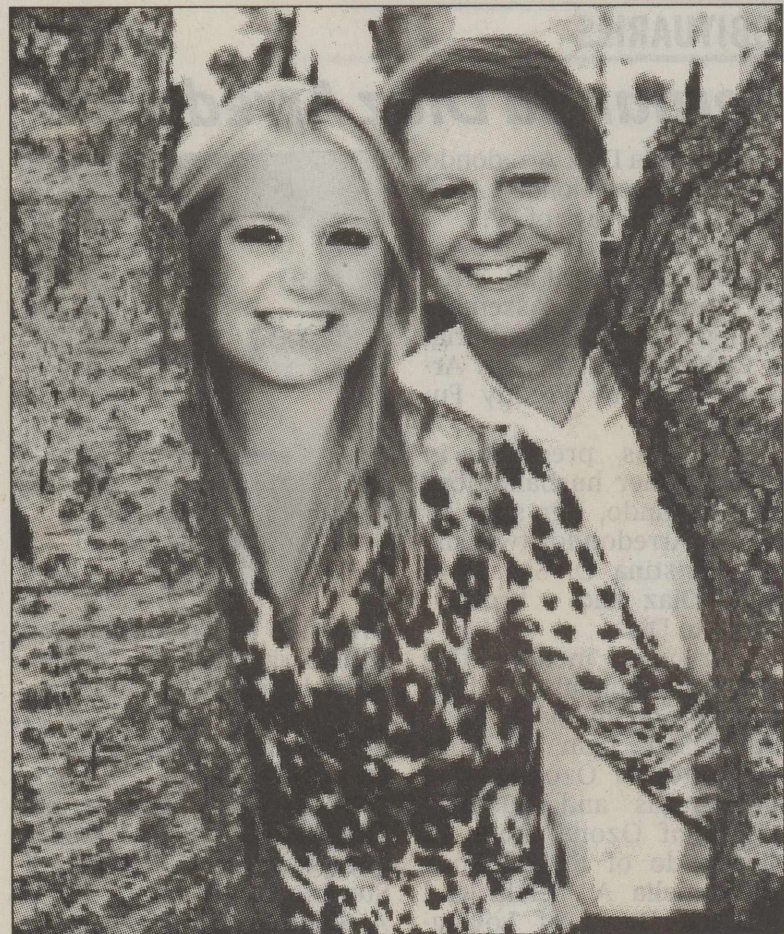


STATE BOUND: Duncan Knox (left) advanced to the State UIL Academic meet with a win in headline writing. RIGHT: OZONA AG MECHANICS and WOODSHOP students advanced to the state Technical Students Association contest after winning blue ribbons at the regional contest Saturday in Big Lake. Those advancing are Layla Perez, Michael Vargas, Lexi Poindexter, Clarissa Burciaga, Stephanie Salinas, Russel Komechak, Melanie Miller, Murphey Black, Lane Hale, Trey Fierro, Daniel Gonzales, Jenny Venegas, Weston Seahorn, Brenda Venegas, Josh Martinez, Dalia Hernandez, Allie Black, Ryan Kennedy and Mark Gallardo

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### Cates-Bradley to wed in July

Larry and Helen Cates, of Whitefish, Mont., are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Lauren Cates, to Clay Bradley, son of Elliott Bradley, of McKinney, and Joanie Bradley, of San Angelo.

Born in Sydney, Australia, Lauren grew up around the world in Canada, England, Missouri and Kansas. She graduated from Pembroke Hill High School in 2004 and Miami University in 2008 in Ohio with a degree in mass communications. Briefly, Lauren lived in New York City where she worked for the David Letterman Show.

Born in Dallas, Clay graduated McKinney High School in 1999 and from the University of Texas in Austin in 2003. While at UT, Clay was a member of the Kappa Alpha fraternity and received the Rhett Miller Award. Clay moved to Whitefish, Mont. where he began his real estate career. Currently, Clay is a broker with Shadow Creek Land Company.

Clay is the grandson of the late Jack and Billie Gene Baggett, of Ozona.

The couple plan to wed on July 22, 2011 in St. Paul's Presbyterian Church at Banff, Alberta, Canada.

### Shotgun shoot seeking entries

A Crockett County Shotgun Shoot, sponsored by Ozona Trap & Skeet, will be held May 14 at the Crockett County Shooting Sports Complex.

The event will feature 50 Five Stand, 50 American Trap and 50 American Skeet. Cost is \$75 per 150 birds and deadline to register is May 1. Late entries are \$85 per 150 birds.

Awards for top five places in all divisions: High Point Over-All Individual Awards 4 Divisions - Junior, Intermediate, Se-

nior 1 and Senior 2 Divisions.

Registration begins at 8 a.m. and matches start at 9 a.m. Cut off for registration is 10 a.m. Concession Stand will be open.

This is a "Whiz Bang" for 5 Stand and Sporting Clay qualifier. Lunch will be available for purchase. Proceeds to benefit Crockett County 4-H Shooting Sports Program.

For more information, call Tom Anderson at (325) 392-3774 or Ken Stokes at (325) 392-3282.



ALLEN WILLIAMS | THE OZONA STOCKMAN

OZONA BOY SCOUTS camped out Saturday night at the Boy Scout camp in Ozona. The scouts set up their own tents and enjoyed "roughing it."

### TEXAS FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS INC. NEWS

BY CHARLOTTE HARRELL  
TEXAS FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS INC.

The Western District of TFWC held its 51st annual spring convention, "Turning Visions into Reality at Home and Abroad," at the First United Methodist Church fellowship hall in McCamey Saturday, April 9, 2011. Mayor Sherry Phillips of the Woman's Study Club of McCamey welcomed all attendees to McCamey. Western District President Maridell Fryar of Midland gave the response and then conducted the business meeting. She presented the officers and special guests to the convention.

Charlotte Harrell of the Twentieth Century Study Club of Midland presented the speaker, Dr. James Phelps of Angelo State University. Dr. Phelps recently came to ASU to participate in the new Center for Security Studies. His special expertise will focus on border security. Two undergraduate and two master's degree programs are currently being offered, and they can be pursued on-line. More information regarding the programs can be obtained at [www.angelo.edu/css](http://www.angelo.edu/css). Dr. Phelps, who is also a historian, outlined for everyone the past, present, and future security threats that the United States will face. Especially in border regions, every citizen will have to take precautions to ensure personal safety. He also emphasized

the need to be prepared for emergencies, which no government agency will address for many days after the fact. Keep at least a week's supply of potable water and canned foods at hand in the event of an electrical outage. Outdoor grilling may be necessary, and good flashlights are always needed.

Mrs. LaVerne Schwarb of the Tau Lambda Study Club of Monahans was named a new Western District Life Member.

Miss Alyssa Michelle Fields of Alpine who is also a member of the GFWC Junior-ette Club of Alpine was the recipient of the TFWC Western District Alma Van Sickle Scholarship. She will receive \$500 towards her expenses at McMurray University in Abilene where she plans to study Computer Science. She hopes to work for Apple someday, creating new apps and technology.

Five other scholarship applicants for TFWC scholarships will compete for them at the state convention to be held in Galveston later this month.

Members of the Woman's Study Club of McCamey served a delicious salad luncheon, and the convention concluded at 2:15 p.m.

The Woman's League of Ozona is a member of TFWC Western District, the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, and the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

#### Wednesday, April 20

- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- OHS Tennis at the Regional Tournament in Odessa.
- Lunch and Learn, noon at the Ozona United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.
- Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.

#### Thursday, April 21

- Lions Baseball vs. Ballinger, 4:30 p.m. at the baseball field.

#### Friday, April 22

- Good Friday - Ozona Schools, Crockett County Offices and Stockman Office closed. U.S. Post Office and local banks open.

#### Sunday, April 24

- Easter Sunday
- Knights of Columbus County-wide Easter Egg Hunt, 2 p.m. at the town square.

#### Monday, April 25

- TAKS Testing, math for third, fourth, sixth, seventh and 10th grades.
- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Ladies Bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Senior Banquet, 6 p.m. at the First Baptist Church.

#### Tuesday, April 26

- TAKS Testing, reading for third, fourth, sixth, seventh and 10th grades; math, exit-level retest.

#### Wednesday, April 27

- TAKS Testing, science for fifth, eighth, 10th and exit grades; math for ninth grade and exit retest.
- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- CCCSD Board of Trustees workshop and meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the Administration Building.

### Happy Birthday

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

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

April 22 - Christina Fierro, Irene Vargas, Dawson Owens, Abel Rodriguez, Stella Ro-

driquez, Leon Tice, Adrienne Tijerina, Bill Black, Stella Fierro, Irene Alba, Maria D. Tambunga and Joe Salas Jr.

April 23 - Raligh Conner, Prissy Luna, Kasey Gray, Eugene Hood and Luranda Morris

April 24 - Joe Alex Lara, Timothy Beseril, Timothy Batura, Caleb Conner and Jordan Webster

April 25 - Abbey Maldonado Hobby

April 26 - Casper Alvarez

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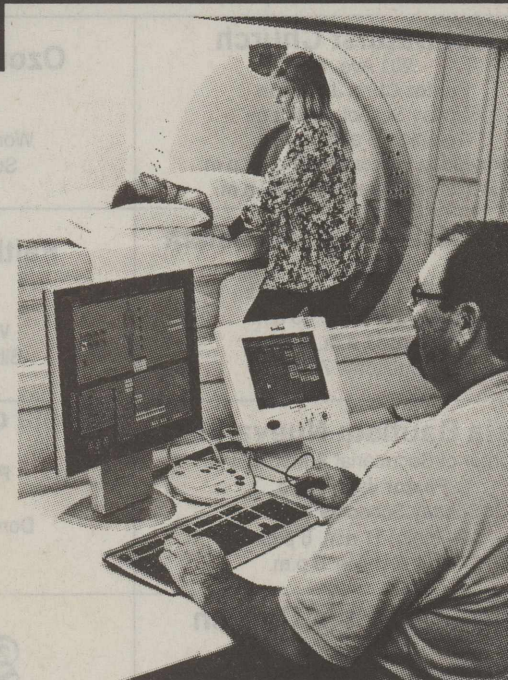
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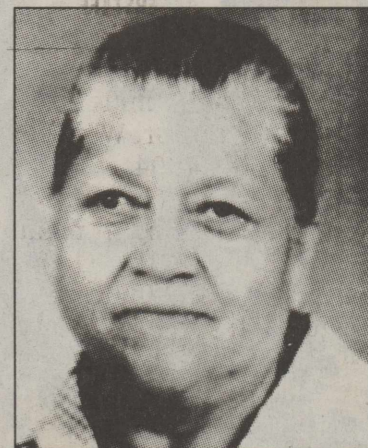


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OBITUARIES

Fernanda Diaz Arredondo



Fernanda Diaz Arredondo passed away on Monday, April 18, 2011 at the age of 87.

Funeral service will be at 1 p.m. today, April 20, 2011 at Templo Siloe Assembly of God Church with burial in Cedar Hill Cemetery. Arrangements by Preddy Funeral Home.

She was preceded in death by her husband Jose M. Arredondo, Her son, Jesus D. Arredondo, two sisters, Cristina D. Sosa and Maria Diaz and a brother, Damacio Diaz.

Survivors include five daughters; Guadalupe A. Rodriguez and husband Richard of San Juan, TX, Rosa A. Montes of Ozona, Anna A. Yruegas and husband Albino of Ozona, Irene D. Arredondo of Round Rock and Amelia A. Serrill and husband David of Lovington, New Mexico; one son,

Armando D. Arredondo and wife Maria of Ozona, daughter-in-law; Irma R. Arredondo of Des Moines, Iowa. 14 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be her grandsons; Richard L. Rodriguez and Jim B. Rodriguez, Steven G. Montes, David Arredondo, Johnny Arredondo and Jonatan Arredondo.

Nutrition/Food Pantry program April 29

The Nutrition/Food Pantry program will be held Friday, April 29 beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the Ozona United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

This class focuses on nutritious foods and spending your food money wisely. Recipes will be given.

The class is open to all interested persons. However, in order to receive a food box, you must pre-register.

For more information, call E.A. Wadsworth, RN, at 392-3060.

Lunch and Learn program today

The Wesley Nurse Program of the Ozona United Methodist Church is beginning a new monthly health education program.

Lunch and Learn will be held during the noon hour and various topics on how to reduce your chance of illness or how to better manage the health problems you

may have will be discussed. A light lunch will be served.

This month's Lunch and Learn will be held beginning at noon today, April 20. The topic will be on good vs bad carbohydrates and reducing sodium in our diet.

For more information and to RSVP, call EA Wadsworth, RN at 392-3060.

Pink Party for women's health May 3

A Pink Party for women's health will take place Tuesday, May 3, at the Crockett Room.

Program and exhibits begin at 6 p.m. Casual dress.

Refreshments and door prizes.

Speaker is Dr. Kristy Edwards, MD with the Sonora Medical Clinic, Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital.

There is no cost for the event and all women are welcome to attend.

OZONA SENIOR HAPPENINGS

BY LYNN ENGLISH SENIOR CENTER DIRECTOR

We are all concerned because of the fires here in Crockett County and in the rest of the state. We do need rain and continue to pray for it. The firemen are working around the clock trying to put out the blazes. We are so indebted to them and thank them for their dedication.

Johnny Griffin has been taken to the hospital in San Angelo. It has been reported that he is stable. We hope you are back home soon.

The Crockett County Senior Center will be closed Friday, April 22, in observance of Good Friday. We will reopen Monday, April 25.

The bridge game will be played at 1:30 p.m. Mondays. Those who attend have the best time playing bridge and they appreciate using our Senior Center.

Tuesdays have been set aside for any of you who would like to play dominos. You can play in late am or early afternoon. If you would like to set up a game call Lynn English at 392-9094.

On Wednesday, a group meets to play Mexican Train. These players get competitive and have fun playing this exciting game.

We have our regular activities: bridge, bingo, home health, pool, canasta, domino games and puzzles. We also have a collection of books, magazines, a Wii game and two computers that are on the Internet for seniors to use.

We also have a projector with stand and a screen and have added a wonderful keyboard.

Activities sponsored by the Crockett County Senior Center Board are for adults only. I wish all of my readers a safe and Happy Easter.

HELPING HANDS HIGHLIGHTS

BY MELINDA KAY MALONE DIRECTOR



HELPING HANDS FOR THE ELDERLY INC. appreciates the volunteer fire departments who serve so unselfishly. Pictured are: (left to right) Laura Lozano, Mona Sanchez, John Rodriguez, Becky Ybarra and Melinda K. Malone.

I had a great week at the Meals On Wheels Texas Convention from April 12 - 15. I gathered information in the sessions that will be very beneficial and met some great people.

Thanks you Becky, Mona, Laura and our great volunteers especially those who have joined our volunteer team this last week.

Please continue to pray for our volunteer firefighters, here and from across the state. Consider donating canned sodas, Gatorade, water or money to these committed women and men.

Pray also for the individuals who have had major losses due to the fires and consider how you can minister to them.

Helping Hands Wish List: 3 mouse pads with wrist cushion or 3 wireless mouse set-ups, 2 wireless adapters, stacking In & Out boxes, sticky notes, colored printing paper, and colorful stickers to decorate paper lunch sacks. Thank you, Ozona for your generosity. Volunteers would be appreciated for office tasks, kitchen tasks and delivering

meals. If you have at least an hour or more to volunteer, please contact us.

For more information on volunteering, or qualifying for the meal programs, you can reach us at (325) 392-5026, by fax (325) 392-8006, email hhozona163@yahoo.com, or come by to see Melinda (325) 226-4460, Becky, Laura, and Mona. Se habla Espanol.

Menu is subject to change

Wednesday, April 20 - BBQ Pork Chops, Green Beans, Pineapple Tidbits, Wheat Roll, Bread Pudding, Milk

Thursday, April 21 - Herb Baked Fish, Wild Rice, Glazed Carrots, Apple

Rings, Oatmeal Drop Cookies, Milk

Friday, April 22 - WE WILL BE CLOSED GOOD FRIDAY! Extra snack meals will be sent with the Thursday meal.

Monday, April 25 - Hungarian Goulash with Wheat Noodles, Italian Vegetables, Sliced Cucumbers & Onions, Garlic Wheat Bread, Tiramisu, Milk

Tuesday, April 26 - Chicken Gumbo w/ Brown Rice, Sliced Tomatoes, Cajun Fruit Salad, Cornbread, Milk

Wednesday, April 27 - Chop Suey, Oriental Salad, Mandarin Oranges, Banana Pudding, Milk

American Cancer Society advertisement with contact information for Shelly Childress.

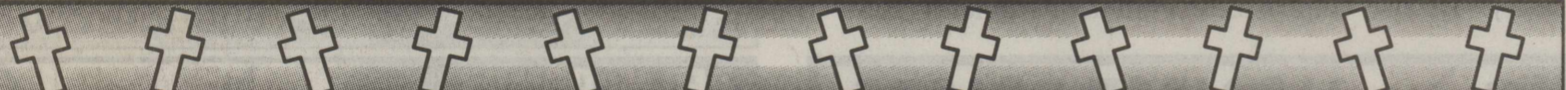
Ozona Lodge #747 A.F. & A.M. advertisement for regular meetings.

Prayer request advertisement for The Prayer Box.

Pecos River Trading Co. Mohair Products advertisement.

Church attendance advertisement for Temple Siloe Assembly of God Church.

Deadline is Noon Monday advertisement.



PEACEFUL SUNDAY AFTERNOON

It was a pretty day and I just wanted to spend some time alone. I drove around for a while and it was so nice because there was such a peace and calm in my inner being or soul. It has not always been that way in my life.

Brother J

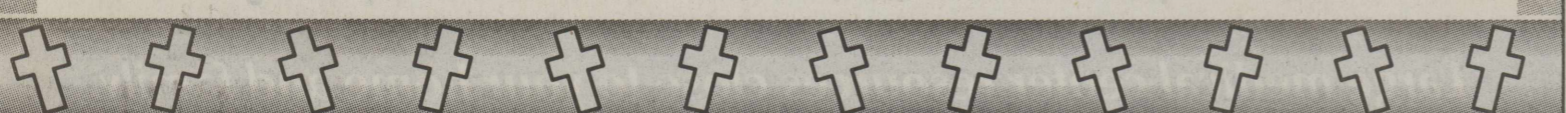
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Farmer's Daughter Landscape & General Store advertisement.

Hop To It! Easter Chicks & Ducks advertisement for Wool Growers.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NEWS

Monty's Maintenance chosen as March Business of the Month

BY SHANON BIGGERSTAFF  
CHAMBER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Monty and Camille Allen relocated from Fort Worth to Ozona in July 2004.

"When we first moved here I was working in maintenance out at the Ozona Country Club taking care of the golf course," said Monty. "What started out as a few requests, two years later led to a full time plumbing business."

Monty's Maintenance is a full service business that services residential, commercial, industrial and rural areas. They service the Ozona, Sonora, Big Lake, Iraan, Barnhart, Sheffield and surrounding rural areas, including hunting camps.

Monty's Maintenance offers video camera inspections and drain cleaners for all sizes. They are available 24 hours a day for emergencies, and can be reached on weekends or holidays. They offer a senior discount for those 60 or older, and a church discount. A 30-day warranty is offered on most jobs for free.

Monty is a Master Plumber. "Once a year the state requires continued education in the field, and I feel this is an added service to the community to know they have a



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local professional who can provide them quality service they can trust. We truly appreciate all of the support we have received over the years, and are honored to have been selected as Business of the Month."

"I like the challenge of fixing a problem, seeing the end result and knowing I could help a customer. The toughest part of this business is finding qualified plumbers. Our customers are important to us, and we want to give them the best service possible," said Monty.

Monty's wife Camille, formerly the director for the

Crockett County Museum, is now working and managing the business with Monty full-time in an effort to provide even better service.

Monty and Camille have a 20-month-old daughter, Whitney.

"We will be set up to take credit cards soon."

For more information, call Monty or Camille at 392-3856 or 226-9505.

The Chamber of Commerce would like to recognize Monty's Maintenance for their effort to provide quality customer service in addition to being an added asset to the local business community.

Hudspeth Memorial receives accreditation for full-field digital mammography

Lillian M. Hudspeth Memorial Hospital has been awarded a three-year term of accreditation in Digital Mammography, as the result of a recent survey by the Texas Department of State Health Services, and the Mammogram Quality Standard Accreditation.

In addition to being accredited LMH received an Excellence in Women's Health Care related to mammography studies.

Tamatha Humphrey, RT (R) (M) a registered mammography technologist, and the rest of the medical imaging staff are excited to provide this high level of service to the community and surrounding counties.

Digital Mammography is considered the gold standard of breast health testing, offering advanced technology and sharper images for routine screenings or diagnostic studies. Hudspeth Memorial also offers Digital Mammography with Soft Touch Mammo Pads—a cushioned pad applied to the compression plate before a mammogram, significantly decreasing patient discomfort while retaining clear image quality. By offering women a softer mammogram, Hudspeth Memorial hopes to increase the number of local women who follow the recommendations for regular screenings.

"Our goal is to continue to provide the most advanced diagnostic services locally," said Keith L. Butler, CEO. "Becoming State Health and MQSA accredited in digital mammography is a great accomplishment, and validates our vision to commit our compassion to significantly improving every dimension of healthcare in the community we serve."

The Texas Department of State Health awards accreditation to facilities for the achievement of high practice standards after a peer-review evaluation of the practice. Evaluations are conducted by board-certified physicians and medical physicists who are experts in the field. They assess the qualifications of the personnel and the adequacy of facility equipment. The surveyors report their findings to the State Health Committee on Accreditation, which provides the practice with a comprehensive

report. In addition to Digital Mammography, Hudspeth Memorial offers Breast Ultrasound, Breast MRI, and Bone Density testing. All health care provider referrals are accepted and there is little to no wait for your procedure.

For more information about Digital Mammography, or any of our services, call (325) 387-2521 or visit www.sonora-hospital.org.

At Hudspeth Memorial you are not a number, you are our neighbor and friend.

Advertisement for Noah's Pinata's featuring beautiful and original pinatas, candies, ropes, sticks, baskets, and centerpieces. Located at Fine Arts by Collectibles, 904 Ave. E., Ozona.

Advertisement for Triple C Hardware & Lumber, Inc. featuring a variety of shrubs, trees, and greenery, bedding plants, and Husqvarna garden equipment. Taking pre-orders for St. Augustine grass.

Crockett Soil and Water Conservation District encourages community stewardship

As a part of Crockett County for over 50 years, the Crockett SWCD wants to remind you that each of us has a responsibility to be a good steward of natural resources during the annual Stewardship Week Celebration.

The National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD) is celebrating the 56th year of Stewardship week during April 24- May 1, 2011.

The 2011 Stewardship Week is themed "Forests for People- More than You Can Imagine." Trees provide us with shade, wood products, fuel as well as help clean the air we breathe.

Paul C. Perner III, acts as the chairman, James Owens as vice-chairman, Pleas Childress III, as secretary and Jack Baggett, Jr. and Ira Childress are directors for the Crockett SWCD.

The district was formed to assist people in Crockett County, with any soil and water conservation needs. During Stewardship Week, Crockett SWCD will be hosting the annual Marty Acton Memorial Sixth Grade Field Day.

This event will be on Friday, April 29, 2011 at the Jack Baggett, Jr. Ranch. It will start at 9 a.m.

We will have several presenters stationed in different areas around the ranch that will talk with a small group of sixth graders on different topics related to Soil and Water Conservation.

"Understanding the importance of forests in our daily lives is the key connection of the 2011 NACD Stewardship theme," says NACD President Gene Schmidt. "Forests play a critical role in providing clean water, healthy wildlife habitat, as well as jobs for our citizens and products that we use every day."

Crockett SWCD is a member of the National Association of Conservation District (www.nacdnet.org) which oversees the Stewardship Week program. Stewardship Week is one of

the largest national annual programs to promote conservation. NACO represents the nation's 3,000 conservation districts, which were established to encourage resource conservation across the country.

For information about Stewardship Week, conservation, summer camps for students and summer teacher workshops, contact Crockett Soil and Water Conservation District at (325) 392-2301 ext. 3.

Additional information about forestry education is available on the NACO web-

site at www.nacdnet.org/education/resources/.

The National Association of Conservation Districts is the non-profit organization that represents the nation's 3,000 conservation districts, their state associations and the 17,000 men and women who serve on their governing boards. For almost 70 years, local conservation districts have worked with cooperating landowners and managers of private working lands to help them plan and apply effective conservation practices.

Advertisement for Allstate insurance, asking "Do you have what it takes to be the Good Hands?" and providing contact information for AllstateAgent.com.

Advertisement for Petals & Pearls wedding services, listing names like Jenna Henderson, Mark Penner, LeighAnn Staggs, and Chris Fierro.

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A homestead exemption lowers the property taxes on your home by lowering its taxable value. If your home is valued at \$50,000 and you receive a \$15,000 homestead exemption, your home will be taxed as if it were worth \$35,000.

Who qualifies for an exemption?

Anyone who owns a home on Jan. 1 and uses it as a primary residence on that date is entitled to a \$15,000 homestead exemption to lower school taxes this year...and it doesn't matter if your home is a house, condominium or mobile home. Counties, cities and special taxing districts may also offer homestead exemptions.

Are other exemptions available?

If you're disabled—or if you're 65 years old or older—you are entitled to an additional \$10,000 school tax exemption on your home. And if you qualify for the 65 or older or disabled exemption, you're also entitled to a permanent, locked-in "ceiling" on the school property taxes on your home. (The county, city or junior college may adopt a tax ceiling to lock in 2011 taxes as the highest amount for 65 and older or disabled homeowners.) The age 65 or older homeowners school tax ceiling transfers to the surviving spouse, if the spouse is 55 years of age or older at the time of death and lives in and owns the home. The age 65 or older homeowners (or their surviving spouses 55 years of age or older) also may transfer the percentage of school tax paid, based on their former home's school tax ceiling, to a new home.

If you're a disabled veteran who receives from the Veterans Affairs (VA)—(1) 100 percent disability compensation due to a service connected disability and (2) a rating of 100 percent disabled or a determination of individual unemployability, you are entitled to an exemption from taxation of the total appraised value of your resident homestead. A surviving spouse does not qualify.

Do I have to apply each year?

No. If you had a homestead exemption on your home in 2010, you won't need to reapply for 2011 unless your chief appraiser requires it. However, if you haven't received an exemption on your present home—or if you've moved to a new home—you'll need to file for an exemption for 2011. If you are 65 this year, you may file for the age 65 or older exemption up to one year after the date you turned 65. And if you became disabled, you need to file for the disabled person's exemption.

When and where should I file?

File applications before May 1 at your appraisal district office. If you need more time, contact us at:

Crockett County Appraisal District  
P.O. Drawer H 909 Avenue D  
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(325) 392-2674

Or contact:  
Texas Comptroller Susan Combs  
Property Tax Assistance Division  
P.O. Box 13528  
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or call: (800) 252-9121, Ext. 2

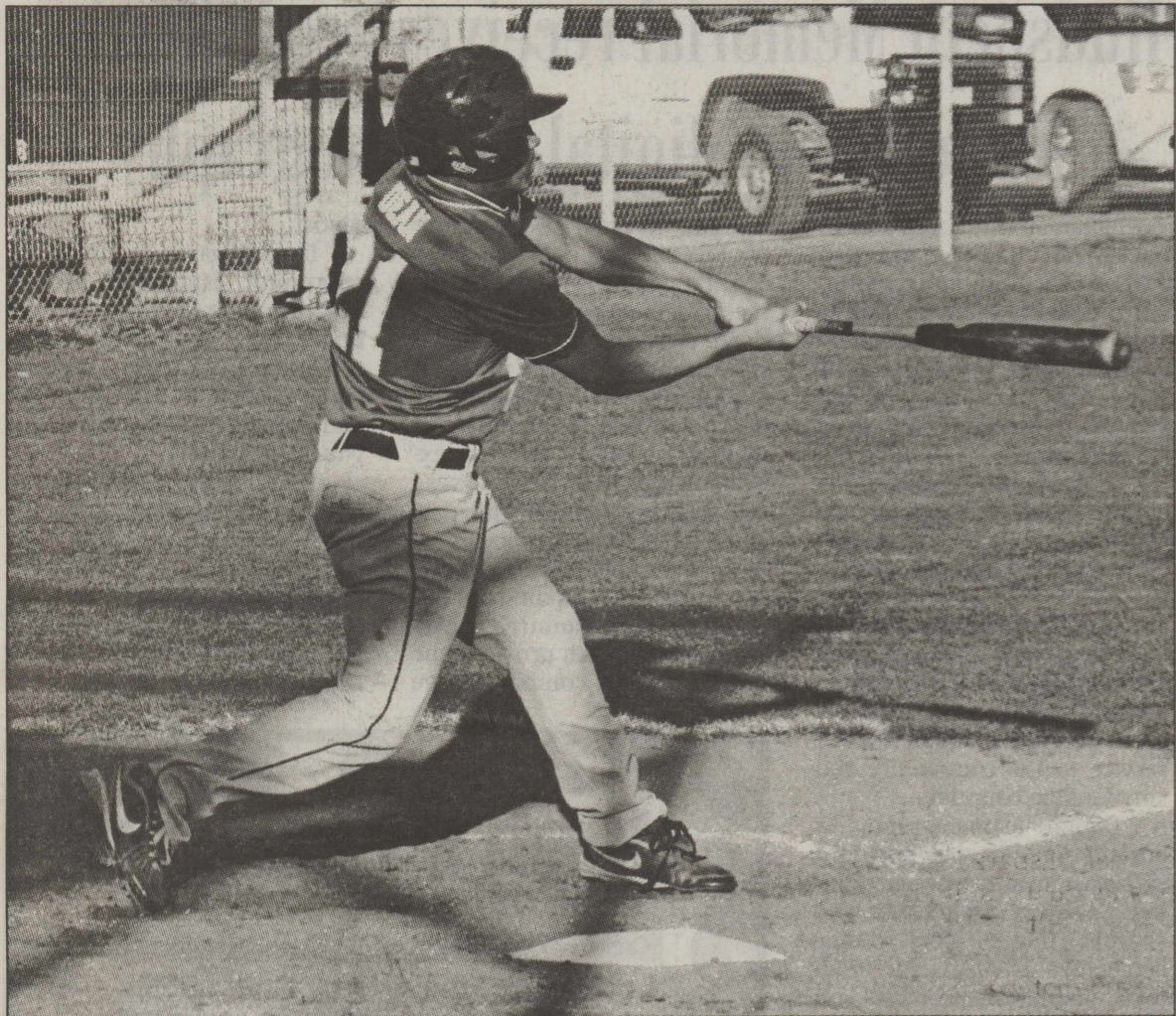


or on the Web at: www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/proptax/

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KYLE DEAN SMASHED A HOME RUN in the Lions April 12 game against the Brady Bulldogs. He also hit a single and a double in the game.

# Lions Baseball enters final week of district play

BY NIKKI LAFITTE  
OHS BASEBALL

The Ozona Lions Baseball team hosted the Brady Bulldogs last Tuesday night.

Senior, Andrew Sanchez pitched for the Lions only giving up three hits during the competition.

Additionally, Sanchez struck out three Bulldog batters. The Lions came on strong offensively, earning two runs in the first inning with the first two batters.

The Lions did not back down throughout the competition.

Lead-off batter Kyle Dean was a triple away from hitting for the cycle with a double hit the first inning, a smashing homerun in the fourth, and a single to left-center during the fifth inning.

More Lion hitting action was evident as Abey Lara hit a single to left field, Nathan DeHoyos hit two singles to left field, Aus-

tin Suddreth hit a single to right, with Andrew Sanchez hitting a single to center. The Lions walked away with the 12-2 victory over the Bulldogs.

The Lions traveled to Wall to compete against the Hawks on Friday night. The Lions competed in unfavorable smoky conditions to begin the game, which were caused from the recent wildfires.

Defensively, Saul Vargas started on the hill for the Lions striking out three during his three and a half innings pitched before turning it over to Austin Suddreth to close out the fourth inning.

Alex Borrego came in to finish the game in the fifth, striking out one during his time on the mound.

Offensively, the Lions came on strong in the first inning with Kyle Dean leading off with a double hit to left field. Abey Lara hit a single during his first at-

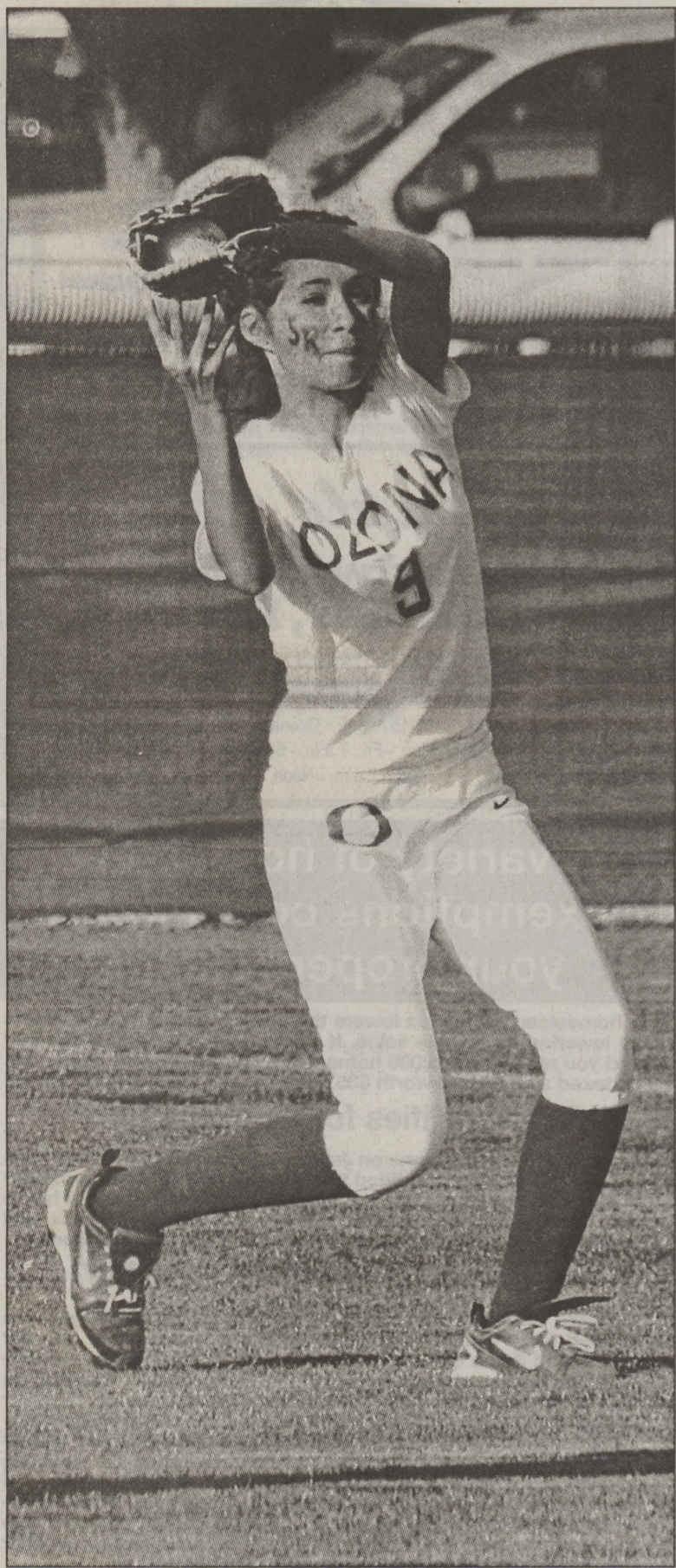
bat in the first inning while Dean scored on a passed ball. Alejandro Mendez got on base on an error by the third baseman, which advanced Lara to second. Austin Suddreth sent a homerun screaming over the left field wall, scoring Lara and Mendez. Addition offensive highlights include another single hit by Dean, a nice double hit to left field by Alex Borrego, and a single hit by Saul Vargas.

Unfortunately for the Lions, they did not secure the win against Wall, concluding the game with a score of 14-4.

Last week's games bring the Lions to 13-10 overall.

The Lions were scheduled to travel to Grape Creek on Tuesday of this week, but the scores were not in at time of press.

Ozona will host Ballinger Thursday night at 7 p.m. This will also be senior night with a ceremony prior to the game.



CYNTHIA GARCIA CATCHES A POP FLY in the Ozona Lady Lions April 12 softball game against Brady.

## Ozona JV Lions Baseball finishes season

The Ozona Lions JV baseball team finished their season last week against Sonora, playing at home for a Saturday match-up.

The club had a great season, finishing 4-8 overall.

"The Lions made great accomplishments throughout their season showing great improvement individually and especially as a team overall," said JV Coach Amaro Villarreal.

Team members include, Jeffery Sanchez, Tristen Alvarez, Josue Damine, Alex Gonzales, Noah Tambunga, Robbie Sanchez, Michael Ybarra, R.J. Martinez, and A.J. Ramos.

### GOLF: from page 1

Kelbie Renfro, after completing play, was leading medalist by 7 strokes, going into the second round of play.

Lazarae Rodriguez and Jessica Borrego also competed at District.

On April 12, both boys and girls golf teams traveled to San Angelo Country Club to compete in the second round of district action.

The Lions managed to shoot a team total of 424 to finish in fourth place. Again, Lane Hale led the way with a 92 while Stefan Wilson came in with a 93. Other team members that com-



OZONA STUDENTS competed in the Special Olympics Friday in Sonora. Members of the Ozona team were: Whitney Brockman, Tammy and David McWilliams, Leticia Bird, Ethan Lunn, Katie Parker, Christina Rodriguez, Karen Huffman, David Porter, Yvette Gutierrez, Allison McGuire, Toni Dempsey, Rosa Maria Arredondo, J'Cee Schroeder, Sarai Meza, Dwayne Smith, Yvette Gonzales and Jose Tovar.

peted were Ryan Kennedy, Cris Taylor, Erik Carrizales, A.J. Ramos and Weston Seahorn.

The Lady Lions also competed at SACC and Kelbie Renfro's score of 102 earned her a trip to the Regional golf tournament April 18-19 in Odessa. She will be competing as an individual representing Ozona High School.

Lazarae Rodriguez and Jessica Borrego also competed at SACC.

"Congratulations to all the golfers for an enjoyable and successful season," said Coach Ubaldo Elguea. "Best of wishes to Kelbie Renfro at the regional tournament."



THE RAGE TEAM took fourth place out of 16 teams in Abilene April 16-18. The girls played great played with a lot of heart and determination. Girls played eight games in two days, scored 62 runs and allowed only 27 runs. We, the coaches, are so proud of these young ladies. (front row, left to right) Riley, Kamryn Lozano (Ozona) and Abbey, Keeley. (back row, left to right) Maddison, Chayo, Mariah, Alex, Rachel Mendoza (Ozona) and Marissa. Coaches Mario Mendoza (Ozona), Eddie Lozano (Ozona) and Mark Meneses (Sweetwater).

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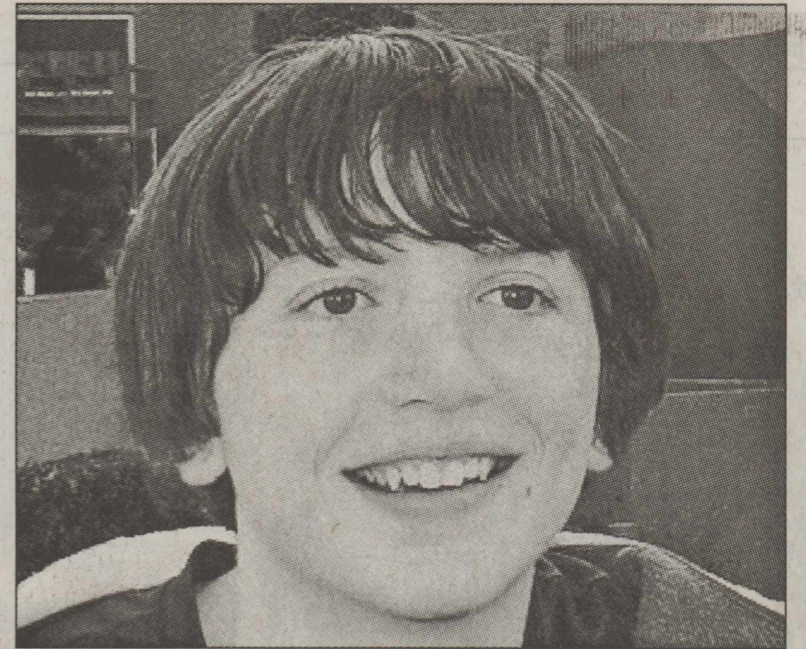
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THE OMS EIGHTH GRADE BAND competed last Friday in Junction. The band received a Division I Superior Rating.

JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN



Paula Koch Submitted Photo

TIM AND PAULA KOCH of Cypress are pleased to announce that their 13-year-old son, Trevor, will be honored for his high SAT scores at Duke University's State Recognition Ceremony to be held at Texas A&M on May 26. A child must score 50 percent or higher than the national percentile rankings for juniors and seniors to be eligible. He was eligible in two out of three categories. Trevor is the grandson of Betty Maness Boatman; a great-nephew of Jack and Pauline Bentley, Weldon and Barbara Maness and Helen Maness, all from Ozona.

## OMS Lions perform at district track meet

The OMS Lions competed in the district track meet on April 14 in Ballinger.

The Eighth Grade Lions finished second at the meet.

"This was a great way to end the eighth-graders middle school careers. They worked hard all year and it paid off at district," said Coach John Esparza. "We had several guys that earned the title of district champion. We ran great and had contributions from everyone. Ozona Track has a great future ahead of them with these young men. It was a pleasure to coach them."

Individual results:  
Triple Jump - 2. Ricky Porras and Bryce Gutierrez

Discus - 3. Chase Dehoyos and 4. Fernando Sifuentes.

Shot Put - 2. Fernando Sifuentes

Long Jump - 3. Jayton Rodriguez and 4. Ricky Porras.

High Jump - 4. Jayton Rodriguez

Pole Vault - 4. Ryan Porras.

2400-meter run - 1. Omero Rodriguez and 3. Angel Aguilar

400-meter relay - 5. Dylan Perez, Nathaniel Valdez, Ricky Porras, Leonel Rodriguez

800-meter run - 1. Ryan Porras, 2. Bryce Gutierrez; 5. Juan Rodriguez

110-meter hurdles - 4. Daniel Lombrana

100-meter dash - 2. Jayton Rodriguez and 4. Dylan Perez

800-meter relay - 4. Jayton Rodriguez, Leonel Rodriguez, Daniel Lombrana, Ricky Porras

400-meter dash - 6. Bryce Gutierrez

300-meter hurdles - 6. Daniel Lombrana

1600-meter run - 1. Ryan Porras, 3. Omero Rodriguez, 4. Angel Aguilar

1600-meter relay - 2. Leonel Rodriguez, Ryan Porras, Josh Porras, Jayton Rodriguez

The Seventh Grade Lions took third in the meet. "The guys competed hard and I could not have asked for a better effort."

We have made long strides since the first day of practice, and we will be better next year. I can't wait until next year," Esparza said.

Individual results:  
Pole Vault - 1. Kalen Perez

2400-meter run - 4. Alan Landa

400-meter relay - 3. Javier Barrera, John Gomez, Jose Ojeda, and Dakota Lee

800-meter run - 2. Noe Medina, 3. Ben Badillo, 4. Kalen Perez

110-meter hurdles - 2. Bryce Martin and 6. Jose Ojeda

100-meter dash - 3. John Gomez

800-meter relay - 2. Javier Barrera, Dakota Lee, Jacob Talamantez, Kalen Perez

400-meter dash - 3. Ben Badillo, 5. Noe Medina

300-meter hurdles - 4. Bryce Martin and 5. Jose Ojeda

200-meter dash - 5. Javier Barrera

1600-meter run - 3. Kalen Perez and 4. Alan Landa

1600-meter relay - 2. Ben Badillo, Jacob Talamantez, Bryce Martin, Noe Medina

## OMS Lady Lions perform at district track meet

The OMS Lady Lions competed in the district track meet on April 14 in Ballinger.

The Eighth Grade Lady Lions finished fifth.

Individual results:

High Jump - 6. Janna Munsell, 4-2.

Discus - 2. Elva Gallardo, 82-2.75.

Shot Put - 4. Elva Gallardo, 25-8.25.

400-meter relay - 4. Ozona, 1:01.33

800-meter dash - 6. Marissa Held, 3:03.50

100-meter hurdles - 5. Kaylenn Elston, 19.15.

100-meter run - 5. Nicole Garcia, 14.43; 6. Kay-

lenn Elston, 14.44.

800-meter relay - 5. Ozona, 2:12.30.

400-meter dash - 4. Jennifer Salazar, 1:13.10.

200-meter dash - 6. Janna Munsell, 31.04

1,600-meter run - 3. Marissa Held, 6:40.40.

1,600-meter relay - 5. Ozona, 5:15.6.

Seventh Grade Lady Lions finished fourth.

Individual results:

Discus - 4. Mejia, 64-6.25.

Shot Put - 1. Mejia, 23-3.

Long Jump - 4. Sanchez, 13-4.25 and 6. Newlin, 13-1.75.

Triple Jump - 3. Childress, 28-10 and 4. Newlin, 28-6.5.

2400-meter run - 4. Childress, 10:08.

400-meter relay - 2. Vargas, 65.78.

800-meter dash - 6. Rodriguez, 3:00.

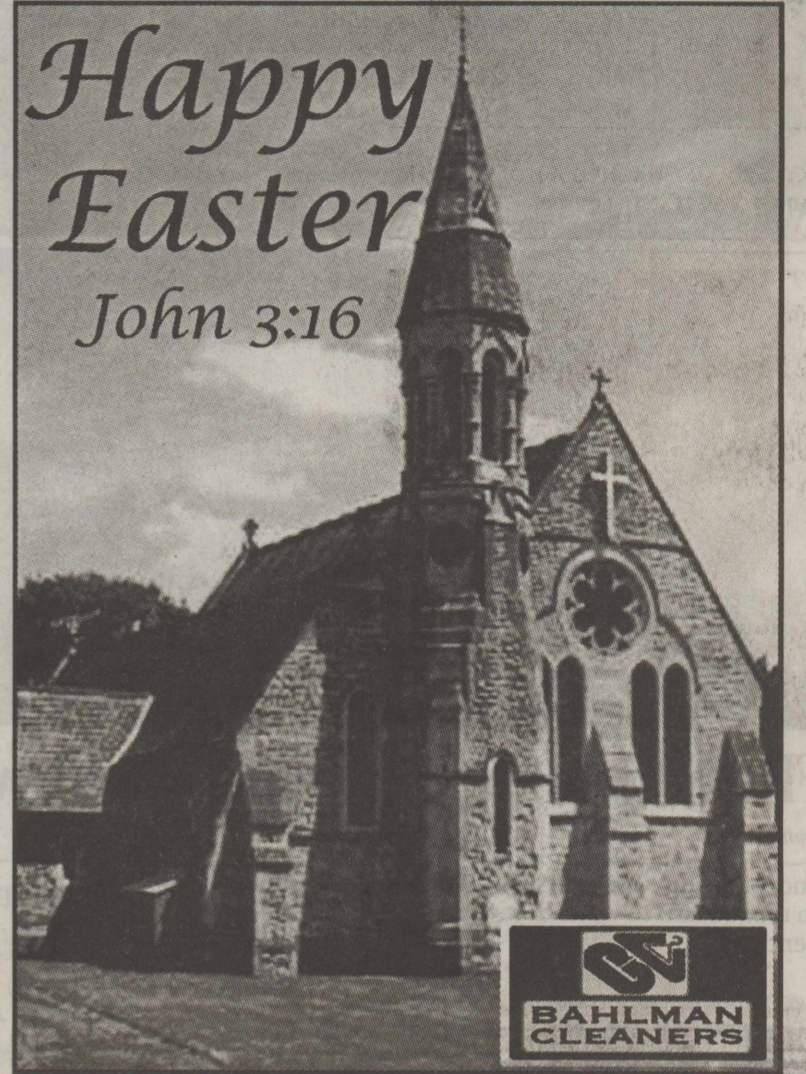
100-meter run - 4. Toralba, 14.52.

800-meter relay - 2. Rodriguez, 2:02.30.

400-meter dash - 3. Vegas, 1:13.4 and 4. Rodriguez, 1:13.6.

200-meter dash - 3. Rodriguez, 30.79.

1,600-meter run - 4. Vega, 6:34.2 and 6. Newlin, 8:45.



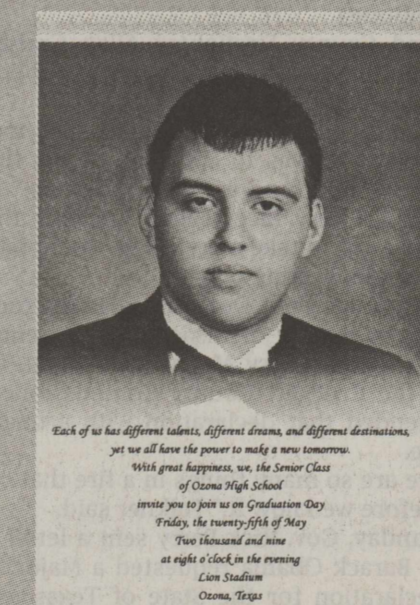
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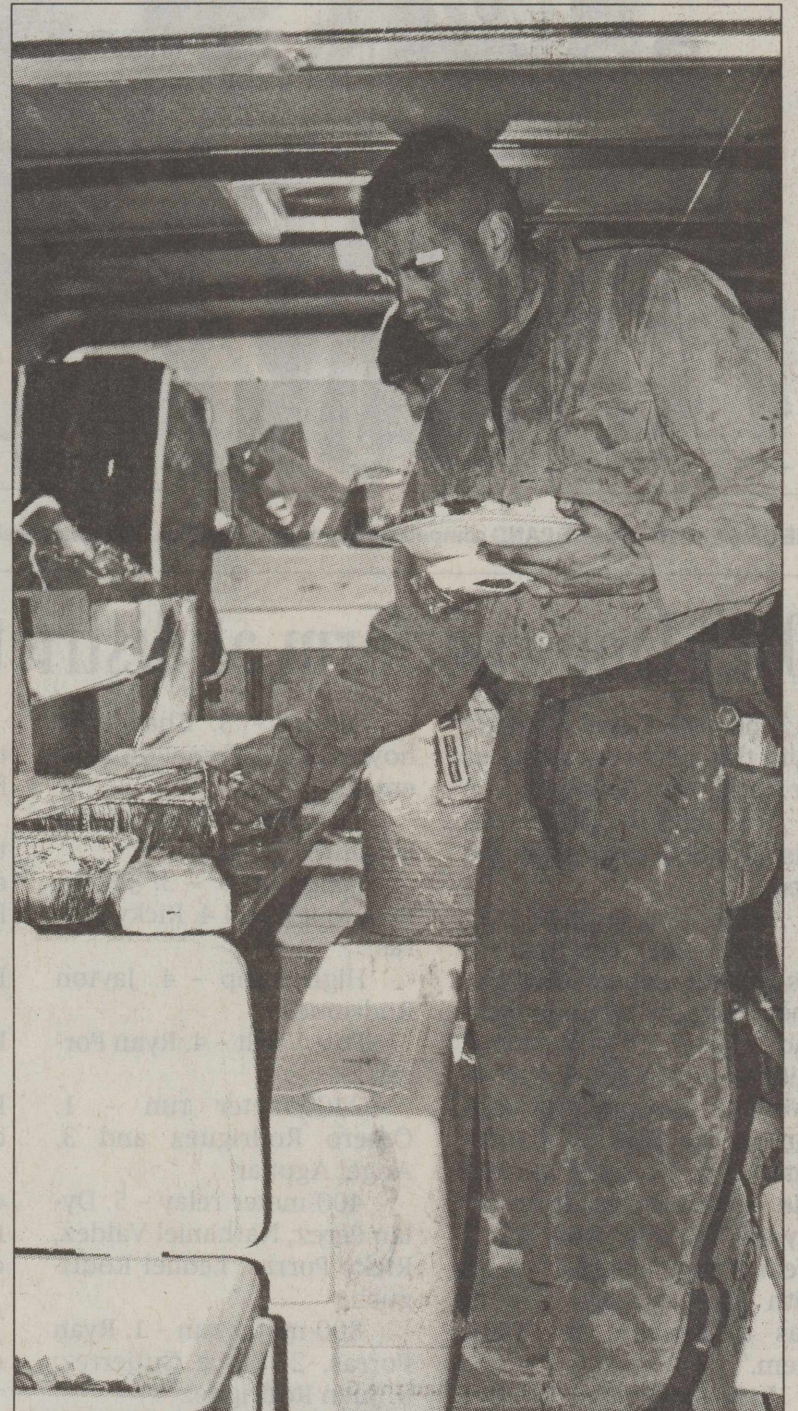
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**TOP: MIDLAND COUNTY FIRE-FIGHTER works on extinguishing hot spots on top of a hill off of Pandale Road Sunday. Firefighters from all over Texas and the U.S. traveled to Crockett County to help fight the fire.**  
**LEFT: A BUSH crackles in flames at one area of the fire. Drought conditions, hot temperatures and low humidity make for "perfect" fire weather. Crockett County remains under a burn ban and Ozona Fire Officials are asking everyone be cautious when working outdoors.**



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**A U.S. FOREST SERVICE FIREFIGHTER from New Mexico grabs a meal through the Crockett County CERT Trailer Saturday night.**



## FIRES: Community reaches out with donations

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and Tuesday, while local firefighters were able to rest, return to work or respond to other emergency calls.

"We've had fires like this before, but we've been able to call on our neighbors," Kenley said. "The problem this time was all our neighbors also had big fires. We had three trucks the first day trying to control a fire with wind going in different directions."

Officially, lightning started the fire on April 10 as a series of showers came through Crockett County. Firefighters thought they had the fire out on April 13, but it sprang back to life on April 14 due to more high winds, hot temperatures and low humidity.

"Smoke inhalation and ash flying everywhere, as well as wind and sunburn. What a deal," said Shelly Childress, whose property was near part of the fires. "Fire was big and black and rolling, eating away at the brush as fast as it could."

The Watson, Pierce and Sutton ranches were all affected by the blaze.

Kenley said the Watson Ranch suffered the most damage with around 25 structures and several vehicles lost. These structures include cabins, camp trailers and some buildings.

One Ozona Firefighter said he watched a new Dodge pickup and Jeeps go up in flames.

"The main problem is lots of these campers and trailers were parked next to cedar trees. Some of these fires, we couldn't defend if we had been sitting there," Kenley said.

The main Watson Ranch headquarters house was saved. Also, the fire never crossed Pandale Road and the towns of Pandale and Ozona were never threatened.

"We just had to sit there and watch the fire roll. Watching cedar, mesquite and grass burn was one thing, but watching Live Oak Trees burn was another," Childress said. "All of the local and area volunteer firefighters did as much as humanly possible to help put out this and all of the other fires."

Firefighters from all over Texas, the Texas Forest Service and the U.S. Forest Service came to Crockett County to help Ozona. Trucks and crews from Campwood, Eldorado, Midland, Frost, Lakey, Val Verde County, Uvalde, Pandale, Sanderson, Fort Stockton, Sonora, Rankin, Comstock, Melvin, Placid, McCullough County and more could be seen fighting the blaze.

Heavy equipment from the Crockett County Road Department, TxDOT, local businesses and individuals made burn breaks to keep the fire from spreading.

Forest service airplanes also made several drops of fire retardant. No injuries have been reported due to the fire.

"It was unbelievable to see all of the volunteers, not just from Ozona," Childress said. "We are not just protecting our homes, but protecting our sources of income as well, such as the land, the animals, the water, the oil and gas lines, whatever it may be. It may not directly affect you, but somewhere down the line, it will."

Along with volunteers fighting the fire, many businesses and individuals in Ozona donated supplies and meals.

Employees with Crockett County CCCSD collected nearly \$300 in monetary donations, as well as donating food and supplies. Hotels in Ozona made rooms available for out of town firefighters.

Local citizens also gathered Sunday at the town square to pray for rain.

"I am at a loss for words to express our

*'We were just overwhelmed. People took time out of their lives to cook for all the firefighters, or to buy food and drinks for us.*

*It was a nice feeling knowing that whenever we got to take a break, we would have food and drinks waiting on us.'*

**Allen Graham**  
 Midland County Volunteer Firefighter

thanks to those who have given and given food drinks, snacks and time. I am also the most blessed in the world for the men and women of the fire service that have left their jobs and homes to fight this devil of a fire," said Fire Chief Bob Falkner.

The Crockett County CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) was also on scene to help with food and water.

"We would like to express our gratitude for everyone's donations in support of our fire department. CERT will continue to provide the support as long as we are needed. Your donations have allowed CERT member to provide the support for our firemen," said Coordinator Frank Tambunga.

Midland County Firefighter Allen Graham said he couldn't believe the amount of support and donations by the people of Ozona.

"We were just overwhelmed. People took time out of their lives to cook for all the firefighters, or to buy food and drinks for us," he said. "It was a very nice feeling knowing that whenever we got to take a break, we would have food and drinks waiting on us."

County Judge Fred Deaton declared Crockett County as a state of disaster implemented the county's Emergency Management Plan. On Tuesday, the Crockett County Commissioners' Court extended that declaration with a unanimous vote.

"There are so many things in a fire that can happen before we know it," Falkner said.

On Sunday, Gov. Rick Perry sent a letter to President Barack Obama requested a Major Disaster Declaration for the State of Texas as a result of widespread wildfires and continuing fire danger across the state. The declaration includes Crockett County.

The governor identified 252 Texas counties presently threatened or impacted by wildfires. Since the wildfire season began, Texas has responded to 7,807 fires across the state that have burned more than 1,528,714 acres and destroyed 244 homes. Rescue efforts have saved 8,514 threatened homes.

Crockett County remains under a burn ban, which restricts outdoor burning. The National Weather Service in San Angelo is predicting a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms tonight (April 20). However, winds are expected to be gusty throughout the week.

"When everyone leaves, the fire will be out cold," Kenley said.

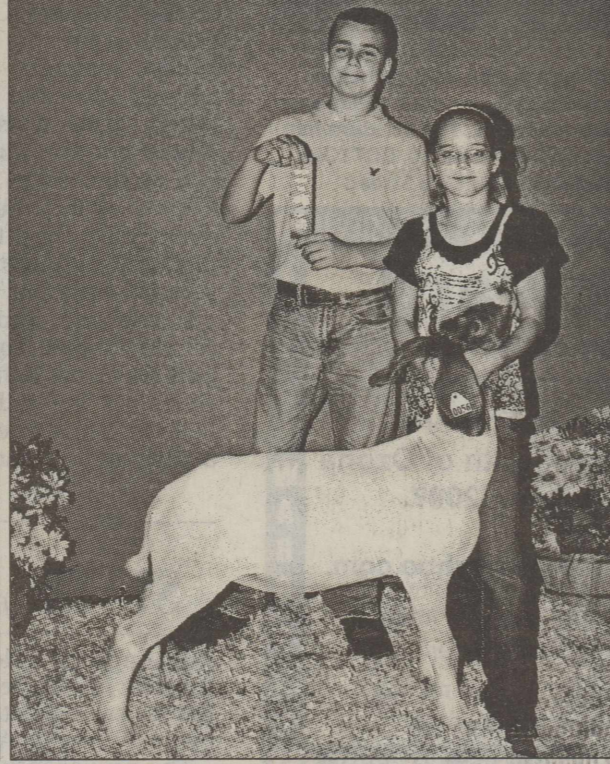
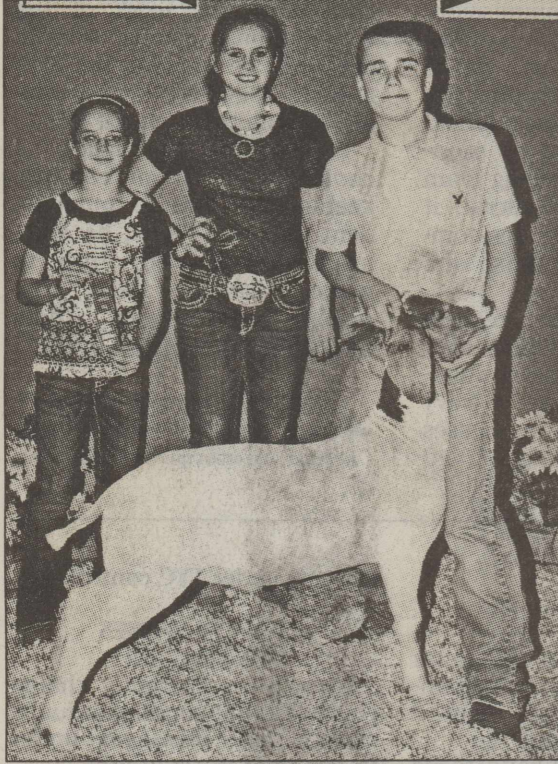
As of Tuesday, Ozona Fire Department did not need anymore food or supply donations. Fire officials are asking people to call the department at 392-2626 before they bring donations. Monetary donations are always welcome and can be dropped off at the fire station or mailed to PO Box 269, Ozona, Texas 76943.



JOE BRADFORD, GEORGIA MORROW AND MELISSA PERNER | THE OZONA STOCKMAN

**FROM TOP TO BOTTOM (left to right): Fire rages during a back burn as firefighters work to control the massive 40,000-acre blaze; Ozona Firefighter Victor De La Garza used his cell phone Saturday night to check the tank on a fire truck as it fills up with water; Firefighters Larry Glosson, Andy Coates and Brian Morrow take a short break; Some of the donations stacked inside the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department. The department received donations of supplies, food, water and drinks and monetary donations throughout the fire.**





Brittany Clifton, of George West, had the Grand Champion Goat and Reserve Champion Lamb at the Live Oak County Fair last month. Pictured also is Cole and Bailey Clifton. Cole's goat was Third Overall Champion and Bailey had a Class Champion. Brittany and Cole's goat were bred by Chandler Show Goats and Bailey's was bred by Vannoy Show Goats. They are the grandkids of Jim McCrohan and the late Ethel McCrohan.

**Answers on Aging April 28**

The Concho Valley Area Agency on Aging "Answer Van" will be at the Crockett County Senior Center on Thursday, April 28, from 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.

"Answers on Aging" is designed to provide information about services and programs available to older individuals.

AAA staff will be available to assist you with any questions you may have.

Programs that are housed in the Area Agency on Aging include Advocacy, Benefits Counseling (Medicare Part D, Low Income Subsidy (LIS) application assistance and Medicare Savings Program information), Care Coordination (Prescription and Utility Assistance and Homemaker Services), Caregiver Support (Respite Care), Foster Grandparent Program (Mentoring Children), Ombudsman Program (Advocates for Long-Term Care Residents), Senior Companion Program (Companions for the Elderly), and 2-1-1 of the Concho Valley (Health & Human Services Information).

A wide variety of printed information covering various topics will also be available.

For more information, call D.D. Norton, with the Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley at (325) 223-5704 or toll free 1-877-944-9666.

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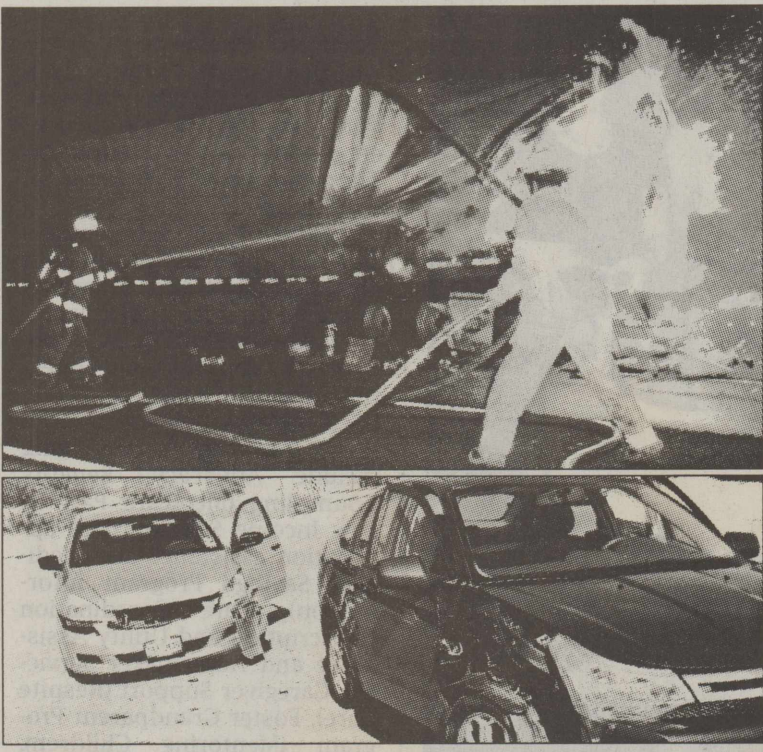
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### URESTI: from page 2

So the dilemma becomes clear. Either way, veterans lose out.

John Miterko, who represents 35 veterans groups across Texas, told the San Antonio Express-News that diverting money from the scratch off game "is going to be a disaster."

Even the executive director of the Veterans Commission, retired Army Col. Thomas Palladino, supports Sen. Davis' bill and advocates keeping the lottery game revenues intact. That's not the kind of sacrifice we're used to seeing from a state agency bureaucrat; it does reflect the attitudes commonly displayed by those who served our nation.

I have the utmost respect for Sen. Ogden and fully support his effort to find new revenues for the budget. A Navy veteran, Sen. Ogden possesses a firm understanding of veterans issues and an abiding sympathy for their needs.

His recommendation to divert veterans' lottery money to the Veterans Commission was made in good faith, but I believe there's a way to resolve this issue without having to make undesirable choices.

Let's leave the scratch-off revenue alone. That money has kept veterans in their homes and out of jails through alternative court programs. And given the vital work of the commission's claims' administrators, we can find the \$2.8 million elsewhere in the budget to keep them on the job.

Texas veterans made a choice to serve our country, keeping us strong, independent and free. Now, as state legislators, it's our turn to make a choice about supporting our veterans. There should be no dilemma in that.

**SENATOR URESTI** represents Senate District 19, which includes Crockett County. It is the largest legislative district in the nation, spanning 23 Texas counties.

### STATE: from page 2

single agency called the Texas Juvenile Justice Department under sunset legislation approved by the Senate on April 13.

The new agency would focus on probation, treatment and counseling for offenders in their home community, rather than institutionalizing them at a remote facility.

If finally passed, officials said the legislation would result in a drop in population at current TYC facilities, so the bill also provides for small counties to obtain ownership of unused state facilities now under TYC control.

**SENATE PASSES 'SEXTING' BILL**  
Prosecutors currently charge youths caught sending sexually explicit text messages under felony child pornography laws.

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BJB

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JANUARY 1, 2011 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2011						
JANUARY 1, 2011			MARCH 31, 2011			
BEGINNING BALANCE	RECEIPTS	TRANSFERS IN	CASH DISBURSEMENTS	TRANSFERS OUT	ENDING BALANCE	
GENERAL FUND: \$ 4,753,413.47	8,677,203.85		(1,763,807.59)	(552,255.20)	11,114,554.53	
ROAD & BRIDGE:	1,990,408.43	1,613,771.44	(343,229.37)		3,260,950.50	
CARE CENTER :	0.00	506,392.36	360,240.27	(938,635.85)	(72,003.22)	
HSC:	0.00	0.00	180,256.22	(19,115.49)	161,140.73	
EMS:	0.00	58,959.62	11,767.22	(100,270.31)	(29,543.47)	
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### ORDER RESTRICTING OUTDOOR BURNING

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

All burns shall be reported to the Crockett County Sheriff's Office (325) 392-2661 and the Fire Chief (325) 392-2626 prior to commencing, together with the name of the landowner, location involved and expert to be on hand.

This Order does NOT prohibit outdoor cooking in a properly contained area which is attended at all times.

In accordance with the Local Government Code 352.081 (h), a violation of this Order is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.

ADOPTED this the 11th day of April, 2011.

- Crockett County Commissioners' Court

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