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66th annual Crockett County Stock Show Saturday

The 66th annual Crockett County Stock Show will take place Saturday, Dec. 21 at the 4-H Barn.

All lambs, goats and swine must be in the 4-H Barn by 4 p.m. Friday.

The weigh-in is 5 p.m. Friday followed by the breaking and posting of classes.

Clippers will be available for shearing goats. Shear goats in the 4-H barn. Remember, no shearing after weigh in Friday night.

Every lamb and goat will be examined at check in. If the animal has live ringworm, it will not be eligible to enter the barn or show. No exceptions.

Swine exhibitors, there is no shaving or bathing Saturday.

The show will begin at 8 a.m. Saturday, starting with the Fine Wool Lamb Show, followed by the Fine Wool Cross Lamb Show, Angora Mutton Show, Meat Goat Show and Swine Show.

The Buyers Barbecue Lunch and show awards will take place around 1 p.m. at the Crockett County Fair Park Convention Center.

A concession stand will be available throughout the show. Everyone is welcome to attend.

For more information, call the Crockett County 4-H Office at 392-2721.

Finding the perfect Christmas gift

Evening on the Town, Holiday Arts & Craft Fair give shoppers local options



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN
LAWSON WILLIAMS has a cookie at The Ozona Stockman during the Dec. 12 Evening on the Town.



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN
SANTA and MRS. CLAUS made an appearance at Parties to Go during An Evening on the Town. Landon Bryce Villarreal is happy to see them.



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN
CHRISTMAS CAROLERS (left to right) Glenda Allen, Jean Reardon and Penny Stewart were soon joined by several others during An Evening on the Town. The carolers strolled from shop to shop singing.



SUSAN CALLOWAY | THE OZONA STOCKMAN
CINDY KOMECHAK, owner of Koolin' Kloetz, visits with a customer at the Dec. 12 Helping Hands Arts and Craft Fair at the Civic Center.



SUSAN CALLOWAY | THE OZONA STOCKMAN
PATSY HESTER had baked goods and Mesquite flour for sale at the Dec. 12 Helping Hands Arts and Craft Fair at the Civic Center.



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN
VELMA FIERRO (left) and JESSICA CATHEY check out some items at Gypsy Chix during Evening on the Town.



CHRIS CANTU | THE OZONA STOCKMAN
TRYSTIAN GALINDO, waits on customers at The General Store.

Alpine man with Ozona ties killed

An Alpine man with ties to Big Lake and Ozona died in a crash Thursday (Dec. 12) night near Big Bend, Reagan County Sheriff Jeff Garner said.

Brewster County is handling the investigation, he said, but Garner's office was called to notify the family, who lives in Big Lake.

The man, 22-year-old Travis Zuberbueler, lived in Alpine, Garner said.

The service for Zuberbueler will be at 3 p.m. today (Dec. 18) at St Margaret of Cortona Church in Big Lake. Private burial will be held later with family.

Sheriff Ronny Dodson said the Brewster County Sheriff's Office Crash Investigation Team is still investigating the one-vehicle crash.

It occurred about 5 p.m., approximately 30 miles south of Alpine on State Highway 118.



SUBMITTED PHOTO | BREWSTER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
A VEHICLE ACCIDENT on Dec. 12 claimed the life of Travis Zuberbueler, 22, of Big Lake. Zuberbueler is a former Ozona resident. Driver Amanda Low was airlifted to Lubbock.

Amanda Low, 20, of Alpine, was also injured in the truck rollover. Dodson said she was flown to a Lubbock hospital, but he did not know her condition Friday evening. Low was the driver of the vehicle.

Zuberbueler is a former Ozona resident.

In 2005, he received his Eagle Scout badge in Ozona.

"My heart has been heavy all day. We loved him like one of our own," said Ozona Scout Leader Linda Conner.

Zuberbueler is survived by his parents, Stephen and Freida, who live in Big Lake and are also former Ozona residents.

The San Angelo Standard-Times contributed to this report.

Holiday deadlines and closings

The Ozona Stockman will have early deadlines for the Dec. 25 and Jan. 1 editions.

Deadline for Dec. 25 is noon Friday, Dec. 20. Deadline for Jan. 1 is noon Friday, Dec. 27.

The Stockman office will be closed Tuesday, Dec. 24, and Wednesday, Dec. 25, for Christmas, as well as Wednesday, Jan. 1 for New Year's.

For more information, call The Ozona Stockman office at 392-2551, e-mail publisher@ozonastockman.com or follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

Ozona Schools will be closed Dec. 23-Jan. 3 for the Christmas holidays. Campuses will be released at noon Friday, Dec. 20.

Crockett County offices will be closed Tuesday, Dec. 24, and Monday, Dec. 25. Offices will close at noon Monday, Dec. 23. County offices will also close at noon Tuesday, Dec. 31, and be closed all day Wednesday, Jan. 1.

Ozona National Bank and Crockett National Bank will close at noon Tuesday, Dec. 24, and be closed all day Wednesday, Dec. 25, and Wednesday, Jan. 1.

The U.S. Post Office will be closed Wednesday, Dec. 25, and Jan. 1.

The Family Health Center of Ozona will be close at noon Tuesday, Dec. 24, and be closed all day Wednesday, Dec. 25, noon Tuesday, Dec. 31, and all day Wednesday, Jan. 1.

The urgent care area will remain open with a provider for medical emergencies.

Low's Grocery Store will close at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 24, and be closed Wednesday, Dec. 25.

The General Store will be open from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 24 and be closed Wednesday, Dec. 25, and Wednesday, Jan. 1.

Dollar General will be open until 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 24 and closed Wednesday, Dec. 25.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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Evolving market strategy essential for today's businesses

If you haven't noticed, our world is changing fast and not just technologically. The Internet has really changed the way people shop and purchase goods and how entrepreneurs and small business owners market their businesses.

To help overcome dire economic news and make your small business more successful we are going to look at some things that should help in the future.

Make a list of what has worked in the past.

You've heard the saying; those who do not study histo-

ry are doomed to repeat it. Take a step back and look at where you've been. For those things that didn't work, ask yourself why. Was it the right timing, the right offer, the right target market? Could you have done more marketing?

Create a marketing plan.
You know



BUSINESS TIPS

PAUL HOWARD

you need one, but who has the time or know how to put one together? Write a two page marketing plan. On the first page list where you are now, (gross and net income, numbers of new and repeat customers, amount you currently work and earn). Then set goals for where you would like to be in a year for each of those. On page two choose three marketing strategies you are going to use to achieve these goals (email marketing, direct mail, business Facebook page). Include a to do list of steps you need to take to im-

plement each one, as well as due dates for each step.

Look to external partners.
Successful businesses aren't built by sitting back and waiting for customers to come to their store. Seek strategic partnerships and Joint Ventures. Develop a support network of at least one other entrepreneur who is in the same situation as you and go to him/her for advice.

Focus on helping, not selling.
If your business is only about making money, you are likely to run into problems trying to grow. Think about your customer's wants and needs and

how you can help them.

Update your website.
This is one of the least expensive and most effective ways to market your business. With all the competition out there, you can't just throw up a basic website and expect it to do much for you. Your site needs planning and built to be an effective salesperson that connects with your ideal customer.

Stop doing everything yourself.
As a small business owner, if you want something done you probably shouldn't be doing it yourself. Focus your time and energy on the things

you are best at that grows your business and makes money. Leave the rest to your team of skilled employees.

Have a life. It is great that you are passionate about your business, but all work and no play makes anyone unhappy and burned out. Do something you love outside of work, get some exercise every day, and make time for family and friends.

"BUSINESS TIPS" was written by Paul Howard, Business Development Specialist and Certified Business Advisor IV of Angelo State University's Small Business Development Center. Contact him at paul.howard@angelo.edu.

A mother's letter to Santa

Dear Santa, I've been a good mom all year.

I've fed, cleaned and cuddled my children on demand, visited the doctor's office more than my doctor, sold 62 cases of candy bars to raise money to plant a shade tree on the school playground.

I was hoping you could spread my list out over several Christmases, since I had to write this letter with my son's red crayon, on the back of a receipt in the laundry room between cycles, and who knows when I'll find anymore free time in the next 18 years.

Here are my Christmas wishes:

I'd like a pair of legs that don't ache (in any color, except purple, which I already have) and arms that don't hurt or flap in the breeze; but are strong enough to pull my screaming child out of the candy aisle in the grocery store.

I'd also like a waist, since I lost mine somewhere in the seventh month of my last pregnancy.

If you're hauling big ticket items this year I'd like fingerprint resistant windows and a radio that only plays adult music; a television that doesn't broadcast any programs containing talking animals; and a refrigerator with a secret compartment behind the crisper where I can hide to talk on the phone.

On the practical side, I could use a talking doll that says, "Yes, Mommy" to boost my parental confidence, along with two kids who don't fight and three pairs of jeans that will zip all the way up without the use of power tools.

I could also use a recording of Tibetan monks chanting "Don't eat in the living room"



WHAT'S ON MY MIND

MELISSA PERNER

and "Take your hands off your sister," because my voice seems to be just out of my children's hearing range and can only be heard by the dog.

If it's too late to find any of these

products, I'd settle for enough time to brush my teeth and comb my hair in the same morning, or the luxury of eating food warmer than room temperature without it being served in a Styrofoam container.

If you don't mind, I could also use a few Christmas miracles to brighten the holiday season. Would it be too much trouble to declare ketchup a vegetable? It will clear my conscience immensely.

It would be helpful if you could coerce my children to help around the house without demanding payment as if they were the bosses of an organized crime family.

Well, Santa, the buzzer on the dryer is ringing and my son saw my feet under the laundry room door.

I think he wants his crayon back.

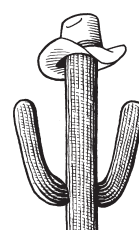
Have a safe trip and remember to leave your wet boots by the door and come in and dry off so you don't catch cold.

Help yourself to cookies on the table but don't eat too many or leave crumbs on the carpet.

Yours Always, MOM...!
P.S. One more thing... you can cancel all my requests if you can keep my children young enough to believe in Santa.

MELISSA PERNER is the editor and publisher of The Ozona Stockman. Check out our annual Santa Letters section next week, in the Dec. 25 edition.

Everett's First Day



IT'S THE PITTS

LEE PITTS

"A baby is God's opinion that the world should go on." Carl Sandburg

Everett Wood spent his first full day on earth today and he got off to a great start. He was a little late getting here but, boy oh boy, was he ever worth the wait.

Everyone who came to the hospital to coo, tickle and hold the beautiful bundle of joy commented on what a handsome young man he is, with no tattoos, tongue studs or earrings. Although I did notice that the hospital placed an ankle bracelet on Everett. (I hope sure that's the only one he ever wears.) Of course, the hospital put the ankle bracelet on Everett to deter someone from stealing him but there was fat chance of that with an army of parents, grandparents and good friends standing guard.

Whoever said that all babies look alike never saw baby Everett. Showing his fine taste he was impeccably dressed in camo, his hair was combed and his skin was touched with angel dust. Although I did note that his tiny red feet were a little wrinkly.

Everett didn't spend one minute of his first day watching television, Facebooking, Tweeting or texting and didn't waste his valuable time worrying about what the gasbags in Washington were up to. He played no video games and spent the day in the company and safety of family and friends who love him unconditionally. He took the day off from work and spent

most of the day taking a nap. In fact, he proved to be an exceptional sleeper, but those of us who know him expected no less. He's so extraordinary that I'm quite sure he'd have been walking on day one... if Grandma Vicki had ever put him down.

An audiologist sprung a pop quiz on Everett and tested his hearing by placing tiny earphones over his cute little ears and then measuring his brain waves. The conclusion her computer came to was that Everett was in the 80th percentile for kid's his age, hardly a surprise to those of us who know him. If they had told him there'd be a test he would have studied long and hard and been in the 100th percentile, I'm quite sure.

It was obvious from day one that Everett is an exceptionally bright child with lots of common sense. Whenever a doctor, a hospital nutritionist, or myself would enter his private room he'd warily open one eye and cast a suspicious glance in our direction, proving how smart he is. There'll be no pulling the wool over his eyes.

Everett didn't get expelled, jailed or inebriated on day one and was very polite. He didn't start a fight with anyone, didn't

cuss, insulted no one, nor complained, and even when he puked on his mother's shoulder he did so in a very respectful manner. He didn't charge one thing on a credit card he couldn't pay, and other than a little baby gas, he didn't pollute the environment or contribute to global warming/cooling. He didn't spend one minute worrying about things that will never happen and the only thing he stole was our hearts.

Everett didn't talk back to his mother, or make faces behind her back when she sang silly songs off key that would have made a coyote howl. And did I mention that Everett was an exceptional listener, never once interrupting anyone while they were bragging about what a great young man he is. He told no lies, ate local, had a good bowel movement, cheated no one and didn't do drugs, other than one shot the nurse gave him. And might I add, he was far more courageous than I've ever been when confronted by a six foot nurse wielding a sharp, pointy needle. He didn't once ask his parents for money, although if he'd have asked I'm sure they'd have given him everything they had in the world. From the get-go Everett was much-loved and he brought out the best in everyone who he came in contact with.

Dear little perfect Everett, may you live 30,000 more days and may every one of them be as perfect as your first.

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Comptroller reports state revenue amount

STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling | Texas Press Association

AUSTIN — Texas will have some \$98.9 billion in general revenue for state budget makers to work with in the 2014-2015 biennium, according to Texas Comptroller Susan Combs' revenue estimate.

Combs delivered the estimate to Gov. Rick Perry, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, House Speaker Joe Straus and every member of the state House and Senate on Dec. 12.

"This available revenue," Combs said, "supports general revenue spending of \$96.31 billion for the 2014-2015 biennium ... producing an expected revenue balance of \$2.58 billion."

Turning to the economy to help explain the surfeit of revenue, she added, "Texas has recovered 100 percent of the jobs lost in the recession and has added 597,000 beyond the previous peak in August 2008."

Gov. Perry welcomed Combs' official estimate,

saying, "Texas government budgets like Texas families, limiting spending and saving hard-earned dollars. As a result, Comptroller Susan Combs estimates our current 2014-2015 budget will end with a positive balance of nearly \$2.6 billion. What's most remarkable is we've done this while passing \$1.4 billion in tax cuts, and we've made historic investments in water and, if voters approve, roads."

SECRETARY OF STATE RESIGNS

Texas Secretary of State John Steen on Dec. 13 announced he would step down next month to return to his private law practice and continue managing his family's investments.

Appointed by Gov. Perry in November 2012, Steen, Texas'

108th secretary of state serves as the state's chief election officer. Duties of the office include the storage and preservation of official and business and commercial records required by law to be filed, publication of government rules and regulations, the commissioning of notaries public, the keeping of the state seal and attestation to the governor's signature on official documents. The secretary of state also serves as senior advisor and liaison to the governor for Texas Border and Mexican Affairs and serves as chief international protocol officer for Texas.

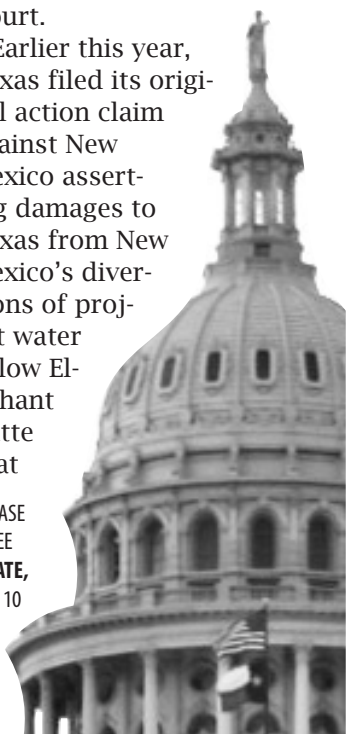
WATER CASE CLEARS HURDLE

The U.S. solicitor general's office on Dec. 10 said the State of Texas has provided enough legal evidence to

move forward with its water compact dispute case against the state of New Mexico before the U.S. Supreme Court.

Earlier this year, Texas filed its original action claim against New Mexico asserting damages to Texas from New Mexico's diversions of project water below Elephant Butte that

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Out-of-town one time rate: \$7 per column inch. Out-of-town regular rate: \$6 per column inch. Local one time rate: \$5.50 per column inch. Local regular rate: \$5 per column inch. Cards of Thanks are \$5 to \$10 depending on length.

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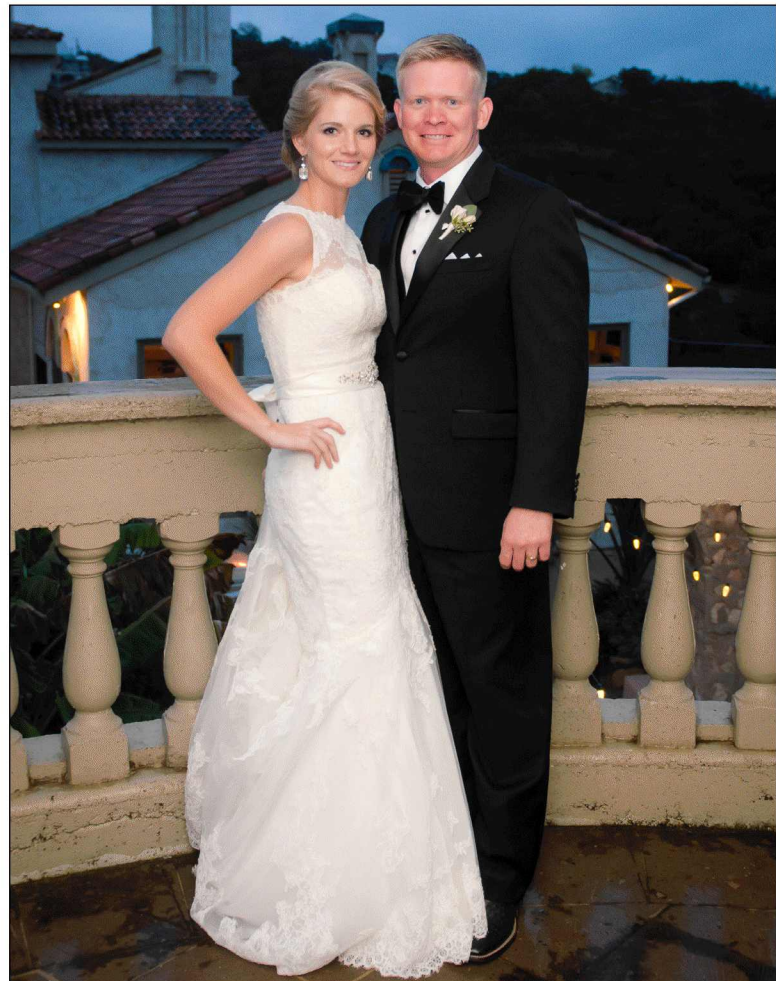


LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

We welcome your letters. Not all will be published. To submit a letter, mail us at The Ozona Stockman, P.O. Box 370, Ozona, Texas 76943 or e-mail us at publisher@ozonastockman.com. Please include name, address, phone number and e-mail if available. ALL LETTERS MUST CONTAIN THIS INFORMATION OR WILL NOT BE PUBLISHED. Letters are subject to editing. Defamatory, libelous and/or profane language will reject any letter out of hand. Letters should not exceed 250 words.

CORRECTIONS

Any erroneous reflection upon the character, reputation or standing of any individual, firm or corporation will be corrected when called to the attention of the management by the next issue.



Mr. and Mrs. Jake Stewart

Lauren Nicole Knight of Belton and Captain Jake Edward Stewart of Ozona were wed on November 24 at 4:30 p.m. at Villa Antonia in Jonestown with the Rev. Pete Sharber officiating. Lauren is the daughter of Gary and Vicki Knight of Belton, and the granddaughter of Bill and Marjorie Knight of Belton. Jake is the son of Eddie and Kay Stewart of Ozona, and the grandson of Lorelei Hankins of Rocksprings.

The bride wore an ivory Fada gown by Blue by Enzoani. The vintage-inspired lace overlay dress featured a scalloped edge illusion sweetheart neckline and keyhole back, with a fit and flare skirt, and sweep train. The bride carried a bouquet of cream and pink roses and peach stock flowers accented with dusty miller.

The maid of honor was Shannon Knight, sister of the bride. The bridesmaids were friends of the bride Jaelyn Poole of San Antonio, Brie Bailey of Belton, Michelle Mayfield of Belton, Amanda O'Toole of La Canada-Flintridge, Calif., and Lana Wagner of Lubbock, sister of the groom.

Best man was Luke McMullan of Big Lake, cousin of the groom. Groomsmen were friends of the groom Jonathan Siskey of Albany, Ga., Tyson Vordick of Ozona, Clay Hale of Ozona, Wilson Stokes of Ozona, Will Wagner of Lubbock, brother-in-law of the groom, and Joshua Knight of Nolanville, brother of the bride.

The flower girl was Olivia Knight, niece of the bride, and the ring bearer was Patton Wagner, nephew of the groom. Music was provided by the Salado Trio.

The rehearsal dinner was held at the Renaissance Hotel in Austin, hosted by the parents of the groom. The reception was held at Villa Antonia, hosted by the parents of the bride. After a honeymoon in Colorado, the couple will be stationed at Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri.

Lauren is a graduate of Belton High School and received a Bachelor of Arts in visual communication from the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor. Jake is a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point and holds a Bachelor's degree in economics.

Pena graduates from law enforcement academy

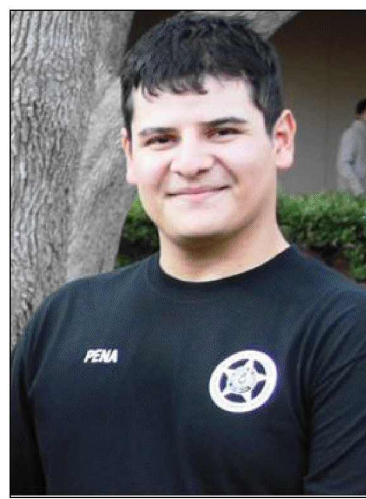
Rupert Pena III graduated from the Middle Rio Grande Law Enforcement Academy at the SWTJC Uvalde Campus on Dec. 6.

During the 700 hours of Peace Officer training, Pena received instruction which included Penal Code, Mechanics of Arrest, Firearms, Driving Course and he completed the State Exam.

Pena is a combat veteran and served in Afghanistan with the Big Red One during Operation Enduring Freedom.

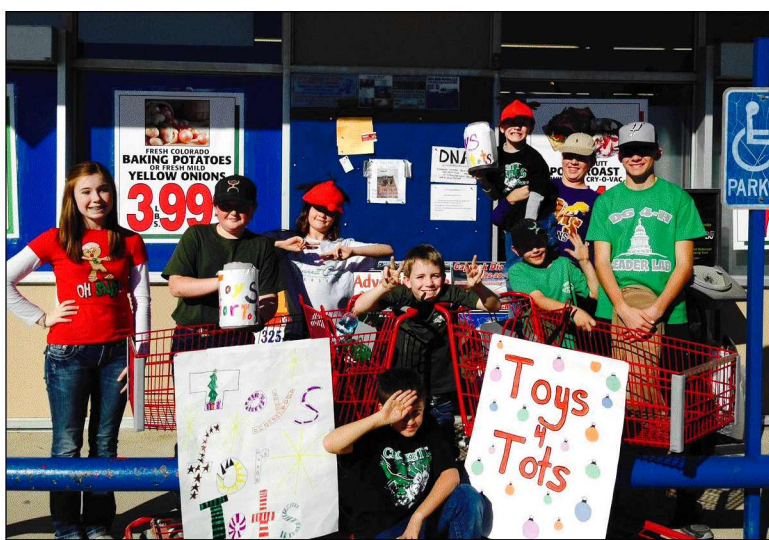
Family and friends attended his graduation.

Pena's father, Rupert Pena Jr. is a deputy for the Crockett County Sheriff's Office since March 2010.



Fort Bliss in El Paso, Texas.

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CROCKETT COUNTY 4-H STUDENTS collected \$893 Saturday at Lowe's Grocery Store for Toys For Tots.

Toys For Tots taking donations

Toys For Tots bins are available at The General Store, Dollar General and Sonic.

Volunteers will be collecting toys and monetary donations from 10 a.m.-noon every Saturday before Christmas at the town square.

Saturday, Dec. 21, is the

last day for donations.

New unwrapped toys can be donated or monetary donations are also accepted. A Toys For Tots account is at Ozona National Bank.

All funds and toys will remain in Ozona.

Delivery will be Monday, Dec. 23.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Dec. 18 – Ellen Jo Allsup, Ross Crawford, Celia West, Serenity Kydance Vasquez and Hope Ellington

Dec. 19 – Sally Oglesby, Jacque Medina, Vonda Flanagan, Aiden Cruz Sanchez, Tommy Gray, Nanette Verner, Jodie Baggett, Mandy Martinez, Sean Austin Fuentes, Terri Crawford and Thomas Talamantez

Dec. 20 – Jane Richardson, Rebecca Lugo, Kenny Wadsworth, Rebecca Flores, Christine Lindsey, Lesly Rodriguez, Blanca Garza, Arleen Castillo, Brylee Gutierrez, Jessica Galan, Stormi Lee Sessom Oglesby and Jacinda Villarreal

Dec. 21 – Mia Davidson, Annette De La Garza, Mia Davidson, Ashley Vargas, Hiram Carrizales, Rhonda Borrego,

Cody Bush, Nene Ramos, Yvonne Fay, Tommie Pena-Alfaro, Sabrina Salas, Whitney Wilson and Robin Campbell

Dec. 22 – Brock Jones, Pam Crenwelge, Sylvia Mejia, Bree Pittman, Shelly Conner, Marvin Clark and Cyndie Worley

Dec. 23 – Janet Smith, Gloria Fierro, Isabella Ranney-Perez, Ross Kelley, Ben Ross, Hilary Huffman and Juan Dominguez

Dec. 24 – Anthony Hodges, Saul Vargas, Paige Lewis, John Lewis, Amber Lang, Sylvia D. Longoria, Mary V. Jenkins, Antonio Santiago, Sara Richie, Julia Holmes, Justine Fielding, Jonathan Flores, Alan Landa, Tesla Caperton, Belinda Wilkins and Ann Light

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Wednesday, Dec. 18

- Exercise Classes, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- ONB Open House, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at Ozona National Bank.
- CNB Open House, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at Crockett National Bank.
- Crockett County Employee Appreciation lunch, noon at the Civic Center.
- Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- CCCSD School Board meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Building.

Thursday, Dec. 19

- Quilting, 9:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Balance Exercise, 2 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Crockett County Commissioners' Court meeting, 6 p.m. at the courthouse annex.
- Ozona Bands Christmas Concert, 7 p.m. at the Fair Park Convention Center.

Friday, Dec. 20

- Ozona Schools early release day at noon. Christmas break Dec. 23-Jan. 3.
- Exercise Classes, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- OHS Lions and Lady Lions vs. Winters, 5 p.m. at the OHS Davidson Gym.

Saturday, Dec. 21

- Crockett County Stock Show, 8 a.m. at the 4-H Barn and Fair Park Convention Center.
- "Light in the Darkness: a Service of Healing and Hope," 5-6 p.m. at the Ozona United Methodist Church.

Monday, Dec. 23

- Exercise Classes, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Advent lunch, noon at the Ozona United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.
- Bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Toys For Tots delivery, 4 p.m. starting at the Ozona Fire Station.

Tuesday, Dec. 24

- Christmas Eve

Wednesday, Dec. 25

- Christmas Day

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CUB SCOUTS received a surprise visit from Santa at their Dec. 9 Christmas Party. Pictured are: Lane and William Hurst, Caleb Conner, Lelland Mendoza and Jaxon and Ethan Yeager.

OZONA GARDEN CLUB NEWS

BY VICKI STOKES
OZONA GARDEN CLUB

The December Garden Club was held at the home of Douglas and Tina Bean.

After a business meeting, members participated in an auction of Christmas decorations and goodies donated by members. The money will help with projects the club does for

the community.

Hostess were Tina Bean and Carmen Sutton. Members present were Tina Bean, Vivian Childress, Charlotte Harrell, Jeannine Henderson, Pamela Maresch, Jean Reardon, Vicki Stokes, Carmen Sutton, Jan Van Shoubrouek, Rosalind Williams, Nancy Forehand, Marolyn Bean, Louise Ledoux, and Celia West.

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DECEMBER 18

•Chicken strips, cream gravy, buttered new potatoes, garden mix vegetables, toss salad, diet dressing, wheat roll, melon and milk.

DECEMBER 19

•Barbecue riblet, scalloped corn, steamed cabbage, wheat bread, apple cobbler and milk.

DECEMBER 20

•Beef macaroni and cheese, turnip greens, hot spiced peaches, cornbread, calico coleslaw and milk.

DECEMBER 23

•Lemon herb chicken, dilled new potatoes, country trio vegetables, roll, fruity pudding and two percent milk.

DECEMBER 24

•Baked ham, cinnamon sweet potatoes, greens, mandarin oranges, oatmeal cookie, cornbread and two percent milk.

DECEMBER 25

•Closed Merry Christmas.

Christmas Posadas



MEMBERS OF THE OLPH 2014 CONFIRMATION CLASS performed the Christmas Posadas last week at the Crockett County Care Center. The Posadas is a pageant of the birth of Jesus and the tribulations suffered by Joseph and Mary as Joseph begged for a lodging place for his wife who was with child. The Posadas are presented in verse form and sung by two groups, those outside, begging for a place to spend the night and those inside, refusing to open the door to one more guest.

OBITUARIES

Howard Huereca Sr.

Howard Huereca, Sr., 76, of Ozona died Sunday Dec. 15, 2013 in a local hospital. Graveside services will be held Thursday, Dec. 19, at 2 p.m. in Lima Cemetery. Arrangements are by Kerbow Funeral Home.

He is survived by his wife Aurora of Ozona, son Howard, Jr. and wife Mary of San Antonio, daughter, Elizabeth Ann Duran and husband Eddie of San Angelo, daughter in law, Martina Huereca of San Angelo, brothers, Albert and wife Susan of Michigan, Johnny Joe and wife Angel of Las Cruces, sisters Evelyn Huereca of Clovis, Peffee Dobbs and husband Eugene of Kentucky, Ginny Dominguez and husband Emilio of California, Carol Borden and husband Roy of Clovis, Lucia Sandoval and husband David of Colorado, and Phillis Huereca of Clovis, 9 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

OZONA SENIOR HAPPENINGS

Christmas puzzles are at the Senior Center

BY BRENDA NEWTON
SENIOR CENTER DIRECTOR

Dec. 12 was a really busy day. We went to the arts and craft show put on by the Helping Hands Meals on Wheels. There were so many pretty things to choose from that it was hard to make a decision. All the visitors were having such a good time looking and visiting.

After that was the second Evening on the Town in Ozona. It was hard to find a parking place on Main Street. I have been so impressed with all the new businesses that have come to town. It is fun to see our Main Street with lights and decorated windows and all.

I think this has been the best Christmas spirit I have seen in our town in a long time. I hope everyone has a good season so these businesses can continue to serve us all year and more years to come.

There has been a lot of action going on here at the center. We have all had a good time at style show, parties and square dancing. All of our sweet people brought their presents back for the Angel Tree. Again, Barbara Walker was so thoughtful to bring us more crocheted neck warmers.

She makes them so pretty and each stitch is done with love and thoughts of giving them to someone that needs their warmth and comfort. Thank you Barbara for letting

us enjoy your talents and share them with the ones that enjoy the Meals on Wheels. It's a good thing. It will not be long until the birthday celebration will be done and we will move on to a new year. Come on out and see the decorations before they come down and new ones go up. I would love to see each and every one of you here.

We have two Christmas puzzles on the table that need to be put together. Come work on one.

Come and entertain us on the Roland keyboard. We have a pool table and dominoes and books and a Wii System with games. We have a 60-inch TV you can watch and comfortable chairs for you to sit in. If you want to be alone, there's a TV in the east room that you can watch in the comfort of a lounge.

I still would like to get a group to challenge each other bowling. There are two computers online and VCR program to teach you how to use them. The copy machine is here for your use so come take advantage of it.

Exercise at 9 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Bridge is played Monday afternoons at 1:30 p.m. Balance exercise is Tuesday and Thursday at 2 p.m.

Mexican Train is on Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. Prayer Group is Wednesday at 3 p.m. Quilting is Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m.

Come on out - the coffee is on.

WORDS OF INSPIRATION

God has plans. "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11. Notice that plans is plural indicating more than one plan. We don't know all about the plans He has for us but God says "I know" and that's all that matters.

The first plan we know about was the plan of creation. In the counsel halls of eternity past God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit planned to create man in their image. Man was a special creation of God, made in His image and likeness.



PASTOR DAN SLEDGE

Another plan we know about is called the plan of salvation. God knew when He created man we would sin and become lost to God. But God loved the world of lost mankind so much that before He ever created us He also had a plan to rescue us from sin. God the Father designed this plan, God the Son implemented the plan and God the Holy Spirit maintains the plan by drawing lost mankind to the

completed redemptive work of Jesus Christ.

Thirdly, God did not create us and redeem us to turn us loose to try and live the best we could. He has a plan for living for each and every one of His children that He has prepared in advance. This we sometimes call the plan for sanctification. "For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us." Ephesians 2:10.

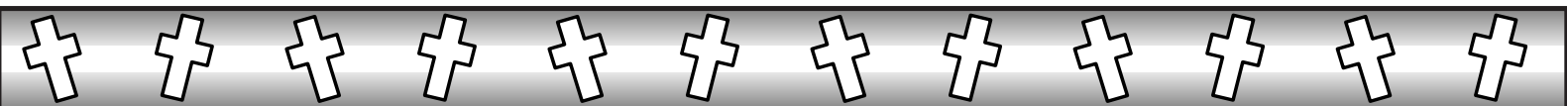
Remember, when we are down to nothing, God is up to something!

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

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TWO MEN AND A LITTLE DOG

Last week I was at the veterinarian clinic when two old men poorly dressed came in with an old cardboard box and inside a young dog that was having puppies. She was a Dachshund or wieniee dog as I call them. The problem was her puppy was breach or backwards and she could not have it. She kept straining and straining trying to give birth but to no avail. The little dog looked so sweet and innocent and had no idea why she brought so much attention from everyone in the clinic. Fortunately the veterinarian was able to save her. That event reminds me of something in the Bible. Over 2000 years ago a young virgin was giving birth to her first child, a son. She had conceived by the Holy Spirit and when they arrived in Bethlehem the town was full and the only place available was a stable where they kept animals, (Luke 2:4-7). The Angel Gabriel had appeared and told her many things about the baby she was going to have. His name was to be Jesus, He would also be called, "Son of the most high" and "Immanuel" which means, "God with us" and He would be great and sit on throne of David and reign forever, (Matthew 1:21, Luke 1:30-33). He would be able to save people from their sins, (Luke 1:77-79). Nothing is impossible with God, (Luke 1:34-38).

See you in Church next Sunday.

Brother J

<p>First Baptist Church 901 Ave. D Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting - 6 p.m.</p>	<p>Ozona Church of Christ 1002 11th St. Mr. Johnnie Perkins Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:00 p.m. Sun. Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.</p>	<p>Ozona United Methodist Church 12 - 11th St. Pastor Jean Reardon Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.</p>
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<p>Iglesia Bautista Nueva Vida Corner of Secretariat & Man O' War Pastor Juan Avila Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. Service: 6 p.m.</p>	<p>Iglesia de Dios De La Profecia 102 Man O' War St. Pastor Maria C. Salcedo Lunes: 6:00 p.m. Domingo: 9:45 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Martes: 6:00 p.m. Jueves: 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Our Lady of Perpetual Help 219 Martinez St. Fr. Nilo Nalugon Sun. Mass: 9 a.m. in Sheffield; 11 a.m. in Ozona Every Second Sunday of the Month: Sun. Mass: 9 a.m. in Ozona; 11 a.m. in Sheffield Tues. - Sat. Mass: 6 p.m.</p>
<p>Calvary Baptist Church 601 Ave. I Pastor Dan E. Sledge Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Sunday Worship: 6 p.m. Wednesday Worship: 6 p.m.</p>	<p>Attend the Church of your choice this Sunday</p>	
<p>New Beginnings Church 701 9th Street Pastor Carlos Cantu Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Wednesday: 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Iglesia de Cristo Hwy 163 S. at Quail Run Interim - Ray Valadez Sunday Bible Study: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m.</p>	

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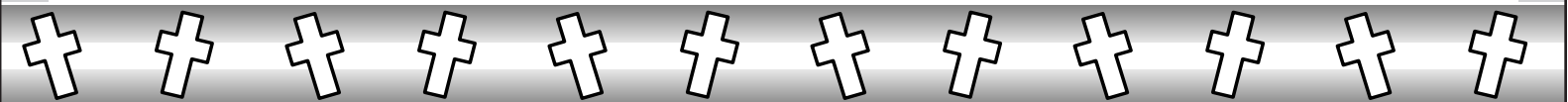
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Michael Sis named as new San Angelo bishop

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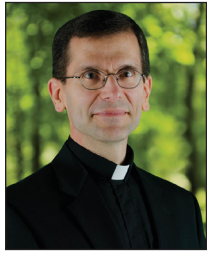
SAN ANGELO — Pope Francis has named the Rev. Michael Sis, currently vicar general of the Diocese of Austin, to succeed Most Rev. Michael D. Pfeifer as Bishop of San Angelo.

Pfeifer introduced Sis on Dec. 12 at the Diocesan Pastoral Center in San Angelo.

His ordination and installation as new bishop for the Diocese of San Angelo is scheduled to take place at 2 p.m., Monday, Jan. 27, in San Angelo.

The event Dec. 12 was just the second time the 53-year-old has been to San Angelo, and he asked residents to pray for him as he takes on the mantle of leading such a large diocese.

"I want to learn your hopes, your dreams, your struggles and fears," Sis said. "The people impress me. Good, solid hard-working citizens. Lovable people. The history of Catholicism is beautiful with the Indians and the Franciscan missions. The whole frontier mission of the church is admirable. But there is so much for me to learn because it is new territo-



MICHAEL SIS

ry for me." Bishop-elect Sis was born Jan. 9, 1960, in Mt. Holly, N.J. He was ordained for the Austin

diocese on July 19, 1986.

He holds a bachelor of arts degree in philosophy from the University of Notre Dame, a bachelor's degree in theology from the Gregorian University, and a licentiate in moral theology from the Academia Alfonsiana, Pontifical Lateran University, Rome.

Assignments after ordination included 1986-1988, associate pastor, Christo Rey Church, Austin; 1989, associate pastor in campus ministry, St. Mary's Student Center, College Station, Texas; 1990-1992, associate pastor, St. Mary's Cathedral, Austin; 1992, associate pastor, St. Mary's Student Center; 1993-2006, pastor, St. Mary's Student Center; 2006-2009, vocation director, Austin Diocese; 2009-2010, pastor, St. Thomas More Church, Austin; and 2010-present, vicar

general and moderator of the curia, Austin diocese.


The San Angelo diocese includes 37,433 square miles across 29 counties in Texas, including Crockett County. It has a population of 859,701 people, with 77,230, or nine percent of them, Catholic.

"The experience and diverse background of Bishop-designate Sis make him a tremendous choice to lead the Diocese of San Angelo. He has served as a pastor in campus ministry at Texas A&M University, parish pastor, vocation director for the Diocese of Austin and currently serves as vicar general and moderator of the curia for that diocese. I ask all in the Archdiocese of San Antonio to pray that God will bless and guide Bishop-designate Sis as he prepares for this important new role as shepherd of the Diocese of San Angelo. I offer him my support and affection, and wish him every success," said the Most Rev. Gustavo Garcia-Siller, archbishop of San Antonio, in a released statement. "In addition, I also express my gratitude and thank Bishop Michael Pfeifer, OMI, whose resignation was

accepted by the pontiff, for his decades of service to the church in West Texas, as well as the universal church. He has done an excellent job in the Diocese of San Angelo, and I have valued his skills as a leader and administrator. May the Lord bless him in his retirement."

Bishop Pfeifer has served as bishop of the Diocese of San Angelo for 27 years and submitted his resignation on his 75th birthday in May 2012.

"As I leave this office as bishop for the Diocese of San Angelo, I indeed welcome with open arms and an open heart and the open heart of all the people of the diocese, Bishop Michael Sis, and I ask you to do the same. I ask you all to give him your constant prayers and support. From my own experience, when we had to make these changes, please also give him your patience. I leave as your bishop with much gratitude in my heart for the many, many prayers and kindnesses you offered me. I am not sure what will happen in the future, there is much work still to be done, but it tends to all work out," Pfeifer said.



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School Board meeting tonight

The Crockett County CCSD School Board will hold their regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. tonight (Dec. 18) at the Administration Building, 797 Avenue D.

Items on the agenda:
- District spotlight
- Open forum/public comments
- Reports: transportation and maintenance; principals; athletic director; technology; band; food service; special and federal programs - performance based monitoring analysis system for staging in the bilingual and ESL program; su-

perintendent - enrollment and attendance.

- Consent agenda: financial - bills, board report, monthly investment report and amendments to the 2013-2014 Official Budget and approve minutes from the Nov. 20 regular meeting.

- Consider approval of Local Policy Update #98: BBE(LOCAL) - Board Members Authority; DBA(LOCAL) - Employment Requirements and Restrictions-Credentials and Records; DFA(LOCAL) - Reduction in Force - Financial

Exigency; DFFB(LOCAL) - Reduction in Force - Program Change; DGBA(LOCAL) - Personnel-Management Relations-Employee Complaints/Grievances; DH(LOCAL) - Employee Standards of Conduct; DNA(LOCAL) - Performance Appraisal - Evaluation of Teachers; EC(LOCAL): School Day; EIA(LOCAL) - Academic Achievement - Grading/Progress Reports to Parents; EIC(LOCAL) - Academic Achievement - Class Ranking; FEA(LOCAL) - Attendance-Compulsory Attendance;

FEC(LOCAL) - Attendance-Attendance for Credit.

- Review and approve the 2012-2013 CCCSD Financial Audit Report.
- Executive/Closed Session - Resignations (if any have been received), Consider Professional Contracts (if any are pending), Deliberation regarding real property.
- Possible action from Executive/Closed Session.
- New Business
- Future Business - January Regular Board Meeting (suggested Jan. 15).

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DATE: Week of Dec. 9-13, 2013

GRADE LEVEL	ENROLLMENT AS OF DATE LISTED	ATTENDANCE RATE FOR WEEK LISTED	ATTENDANCE RATE CUMULATIVE
EE	1	80.00	92.86
PRE-K	45	94.00	95.94
KINDER	66	95.57	95.77
1ST	70	98.57	96.64
2ND	62	97.74	97.00
3RD	72	98.06	96.47
4TH	60	95.00	96.22
5TH	62	97.74	96.91
TOTAL	438	96.89	96.45

GRADE LEVEL	ENROLLMENT AS OF DATE LISTED	ATTENDANCE RATE FOR WEEK LISTED	ATTENDANCE RATE CUMULATIVE
6TH	60	90.51	96.15
7TH	53	94.72	96.17
8TH	48	90.76	94.56
TOTAL	161	92.03	95.37

GRADE LEVEL	ENROLLMENT AS OF DATE LISTED	ATTENDANCE RATE FOR WEEK LISTED	ATTENDANCE RATE CUMULATIVE
9TH	65	96.28	95.64
10TH	54	97.41	95.80
11TH	49	96.33	95.72
12TH	47	96.13	95.90
TOTAL	215	96.54	95.76
DISTRICT TOTAL			

Our goal is 97.50% Attendance Rate throughout CCCSD.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

OZONA ELEMENTARY STUDENTS placed second at the UIL Academic Meet last week in Wink.

OES second in UIL Meet

The OES Academic Team placed second in the UIL Meet on Dec. 11 in Wink.

Creative Writing second grade: 1. Audrey Upham; 2. Kailyn Preddy.

Ready Writing fourth grade: 1. Bryce Gray

Music Memory third grade: First place team of Kattie Rodriguez, Max Duran Ivey Rodriguez, Isabella Ranny and Nino Tambunga; 2. Kattie Rodriguez; 3. Ivey Rodriguez; 5. Max Duran

Music Memory fourth grade: First place team of Bryce Gray, Carlos Cantu, Amber Moran, Aries Hernandez and Madison Bullard; 1. Carlos Cantu and Madison Bullard; 5. Bryce Gray; 6. Aries Hernandez.

Story Telling second grade: 5. Emma Crenwelge; 6. Bernardo a Blanco

Story Telling third grade: 2. Charli Oglesby; 3. Tori Nowell

Spelling fourth grade: Third place team of Amber Moran, Jacque Medina, Ka-

leigh Hernandez and Ethan Gonzalez; 4. Amber Moran

Number Sense fifth grade: Second place team of Jace Savala, Michael Esparza, Jackie Venegas and Arlie Hernandez; 2. Michael Esparza and 6. Jace Savala

Social Studies fifth grade: 2. Alondra Hernandez

Listening fifth grade: 2. Catherine Perez; 5. Jace Savala

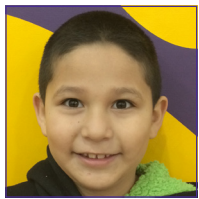
Music Memory fifth grade: First place team of Catherine Perez, Norah Rodriguez, Kemberly Hernandez and Kaitlyn Hernandez; 3. Catherine Perez; 4. Norah Rodriguez

Dictionary fifth grade: Third place team of Kaitlyn Hernandez, Arlie Hernandez, Madison Castro and Jace Savala; 2. Madison Castro; 6. Alondra Hernandez

Art fourth grade: Third place team of Sebastian Talamantes, Carlos Cantu and Noah Escamilla; 3. Carlos Cantu

Oral Reading fifth grade: 1. Madison Castro

OES Students of the Week



Israel Perez



Pilar Sanchez-Garcia

OMS Students of the Week

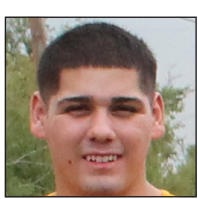


Christian Yruegas



Jazmin Hernandez

OHS Student of the Week



Ely Montanez

JV Lady Lions stomp Rocksprings 49-11

The JV Lady Lions defeated Rocksprings 49-11 on Dec. 13. Ozona - 17 11 12 9 - 49; Rocksprings - 5 0 2 4 - 11. Kamryn Lozano 11; Rachel Mendoza 4; Estefania Torralba 9; Kelly Sewell 3; Carissa Perez 6; Bobbie Jo Vargas 2; Maria Mejia 6; Asia Lara 2; Dacie Taylor 6. Also playing: Julie Marshall and Sydney Perez.

JV Lady Lions lost to Irion County 27-26 on Dec. 10. Ozona - 4 8 6 9 - 26; Irion County - 4 5 2 16 - 26.

Mejia 10; Mendoza 6; Lara 6; Torralba 2; Lozano 2. Also playing: C. Perez, Vargas, Taylor, S. Perez, Kaylee Ramirez, Sewell and Marshall.



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN

KAMRYN LOZANO (l.) WORKS THE BALL DOWN THE COURT ALONGSIDE HER JV LADY LION TEAMMATES Julie Marshall and Maria Mejia (r.). Lozano was the high scorer with eleven points in the the JV Ladies 49-11 victory over Rocksprings on Dec. 13.

JV Lions win over Comstock

The JV Lions defeated Comstock 45-41 on Dec. 6. Ozona - 11 14 7 13 - 45; Comstock - 8 16 6 10 - 41. W. Fay 10; J. Venegas 10; J. Perez 8; O. Rodriguez 5; F. Irlas 3; G. Held 3; T. Fay 2; J. Rodriguez 2 and W. Whitten 2. Also playing: C. Hardy.

Lions second in Ozona Tourney

The OHS Lions placed second in the Ozona Tournament on Dec. 7.

The Lions defeated Comstock 61-35.

Ozona - 14 19 14 14 - 61; Comstock - 7 8 5 15 - 35.

Tyler Galindo 27; Kalen Perez 7; Ricky Porras 6; Daniel (Bono) Lombrana 6; Ryan Porras 5; Bryce Gutierrez 5; Saul Vargas 3; Jose Ojeda 2. Also playing Michael Ybarra.

The Lions lost to Rocksprings 55-52.

Ozona - 11 5 12 24 - 52; Rocksprings - 13 10 20 12 - 55. Galindo 16; Ojeda 13;

Ri. Porras 6; Perez 5; Vargas 4; Ry. Porras 4; Lombrana 4. Also playing: Gutierrez and Ybarra.

Prior to the tournament, the Lions lost to Grape Creek 49-33.

Ozona - 12 5 8 8 - 33; Grape Creek - 18 7 11 13 - 49.

Ojeda 10; Evan Raymond 8; Galindo 7; Ry. Porras 3; Ybarra 3; Perez 1 and Gutierrez 1. Also playing: Ri. Porras; Vargas and Lombrana.

Lions play Winters at 8 p.m. Friday at the OHS Davidson Gym.



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN

LEXI POINDEXTER PUTS ON THE BRAKES in the Varsity Lady Lions 45-33 win over Rocksprings on Dec. 13.

Lady Lions defeat Rocksprings

The OHS Lady Lions defeated 45-33 on Dec. 13.

Ozona - 10 14 12 9 - 45; Rocksprings - 5 11 5 12 - 33.

Lexi Poindexter 11 points, 6 rebounds, 2 assists; Vivian Medina 8 points, 7 rebounds, 2 steals; Madison Childress 5 points, 2 rebounds, 3 steals; Maddie Galindo 5 points, 6 rebounds, 1 assist; Bethany Martinez 4 points, 2 rebounds; Elva Gallardo 4 points, 3 rebounds, 1 steal; Brii Sanchez 3 points, 2 rebounds, 2 steals; Amy Quiroz 2 points, 2 rebounds; Daisy Guerra 2 points, 1 rebound, 2 steals; McKenna Moses 1

point, 2 rebounds; Ashley Tandy 4 rebounds, 2 steals, 2 assists.

The Lady Lions lost to Irion County 25-23 on Dec. 10.

Irion County - 7 6 10 2 - 25; Ozona - 6 5 5 7 - 23.

Galindo 10 points, 18 rebounds, 5 block shots; Medina 6 points, 10 rebounds; Poindexter 4 points, 4 rebounds, 3 steals; Moses 3 points, 2 rebounds; Tandy 4 rebounds, 3 steals; Childress 4 steals, 1 rebound; Sanchez 4 steals, 1 rebound.

Lady Lions will face Winters at 6:30 p.m. Friday at the OHS Davidson Gym.

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SIXTH GRADE UIL WINNERS

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SEVENTH GRADE UIL WINNERS

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OMS second at UIL Meet

OMS Students placed second overall in the UIL Academic Meet on Dec. 11 in Wink.

Sixth Grade results:

Art - Second place team of Georgina Garcia, Laney Galindo, Jade Borrego and Adrian Whitby; 3. Georgina Garcia; 4. Laney Galindo; 6. Adrian Whitby.

Listening Skills - 1. Amber Fuentes; 2. Aiden Fuentes; 3. Wendy Mata; 4. Griselda Mata.

Calculator - First place team of Cameron Harrison, Humberto Torralba, Manuel Torralba and Tyler Webb. 1. Manuel Torralba; 3. Humberto Torralba.

Maps, Graphs and Charts - First place team of Jacob Childress, Lazaro Rodriguez, Desiree Gruben and Alec Lara. 2. Alec Lara; 5. Desiree Gruben and Lazaro Rodriguez.

Number Sense - First place team of Braeden Gutierrez, Desiree Gruben, Manuel Torralba and Humberto Torralba. 1. Manuel Torralba and 2. Humberto Torralba.

Oral Reading - 2. Roslynn Mendez; 3. Jacob Childress and 5. Lexi Montgomery

Social Studies - Second place team of Alec Lara, Lazaro Rodriguez, Jacob Childress and Tyler Webb. 5. Jacob Childress and 6. Lazaro Rodriguez and Tyler Webb.

Spelling - Third place team of Alec Lara, Jaden Fay, Laney Galindo and Georgina Garcia.

Dictionary Skills - First place team of Humberto Torralba, Manuel Torralba, Tyler Webb and Alyiah Ortiz. 1. Humberto Torralba; 2. Manuel Torralba; 5. Tyler Webb.

Mathematics - First place team of Cameron Harrison, Citlalli (Lolly) Cano, Braeden Gutierrez and Desiree Gruben. 2. Cameron Harrison; 3. Desiree Gruben; 6. Citlalli (Lolly) Cano.

Music Memory - First place team of Georgina Garcia, Manuel Torralba, Kaitlyn Tambunga, Wendy Mata and Laney Galindo. 2. Manuel Torralba; 5. Wendy Mata.

Seventh Grade results:

Oral Reading - 1. Coulter McWilliams; 4. Isaura Lopez; 5. Ivana Hernandez.

Modern Oratory - 4. Jordan Martin

Mathematics - 1. Josh Knaack

Listening - 5. Yasmin Ojeda

Impromptu Speaking - 3. Isaura Lopez; 4. Jordan Martin; 5. Shelbie Rust

Calculator Applications - Third place team of Coulter McWilliams, Caleb Webb and Isaura Lopez. 5. Coulter McWilliams.

Maps, Graphs and Charts - Second place team of Chantz Elliott, Caleb Webb, Coulter McWilliams and Shelbie Rust. 1. Chantz Elliott and 4. Caleb Webb.

Ready Writing - 5. Kameron Ortiz

Social Studies - 4. Caleb Webb and 5. Shelbie Rust

Science - 2. Chantz Elliott and 3. Josh Knaack

Editorial Writing - 1. Shelbie Rust and Kameron Ortiz

Art - First place team of Yasmin Ojeda, David Landin and Mariah Galindo. 2. Yasmin Ojeda; 3. David Landin and 4. Mariah Galindo.

Eighth Grade results:

Editorial Writing - 1. Brenna Hale; 4. Autumn Villarreal; 6. Kaelan Savala

Art - Second place team of Hunter Smith, Jacob Schroeder, Andy Hernandez and Murray Logan. 4. Hunter Smith, Jacob Schroeder and Andy Hernandez.

Impromptu Speaking - 3. Marc Flores; 4. Gavin Graninis; 5. Samantha Torralba.

Oral Reading - 1. Brenna Hale

Number Sense - 5. Denise Rodriguez and 6. Sara Gunnels

Maps, Graphs and Charts - 1. Danny Posadas and 2. Brenna Hale.

Calculator - First place team of Samantha Torralba, Cassidy Gonzalez, Denise Rodriguez and Cierra Sanchez. 1. Samantha Torralba; 2. Cassidy Gonzalez; 4. Cierra Sanchez.

Modern Oratory - 6. Kaelan Savala

Listening - Third place team of Makenna Fox, Jacob Schroeder, Toni Parker and Hunter Smith. 2. Makenna Fox and 4. Toni Parker

Social Studies - First place team of Hunter Smith, Christian Yruegas, Andy Hernandez and Caleb Martinez.



EIGHTH GRADE UIL WINNERS

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Youth Center Calendar of Events

HIGH SCHOOL:

Monday: 7-10 p.m.;

Tuesday: 2-7 p.m.;

Wednesday: 7-10 p.m.;

Thursday: 2-10 p.m.;

Friday: 2 p.m.-midnight

and Saturday: 2-7 p.m.

OHS MEAL NIGHT: Mondays - 7-10 p.m.

7TH & 8TH GRADE:

Tuesday: 7-10 p.m.;

Wednesday: 2-7 p.m.;

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7TH AND 8TH

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Pecos River guarded by isolation, bound by reservoirs

BY MORGAN SMITH
TEXAS TRIBUNE

In the final 100 miles of the Pecos River, as it journeys south through far West Texas to empty into the Rio Grande, there is one public access point.

A Val Verde County road crosses the river near Pandale, an abandoned pioneer settlement 55 miles from the closest population center. The next direct link to urban civilization on the river comes only after 50 more miles, at the U.S. Highway 90 bridge. In between, signs of modern human life are limited to the rare ranch house on a distant river bluff.

Its rocky rapids — navigable only by canoe or kayak — and its long stretches of windy lakes keep all but the most dogged paddlers from its waters.

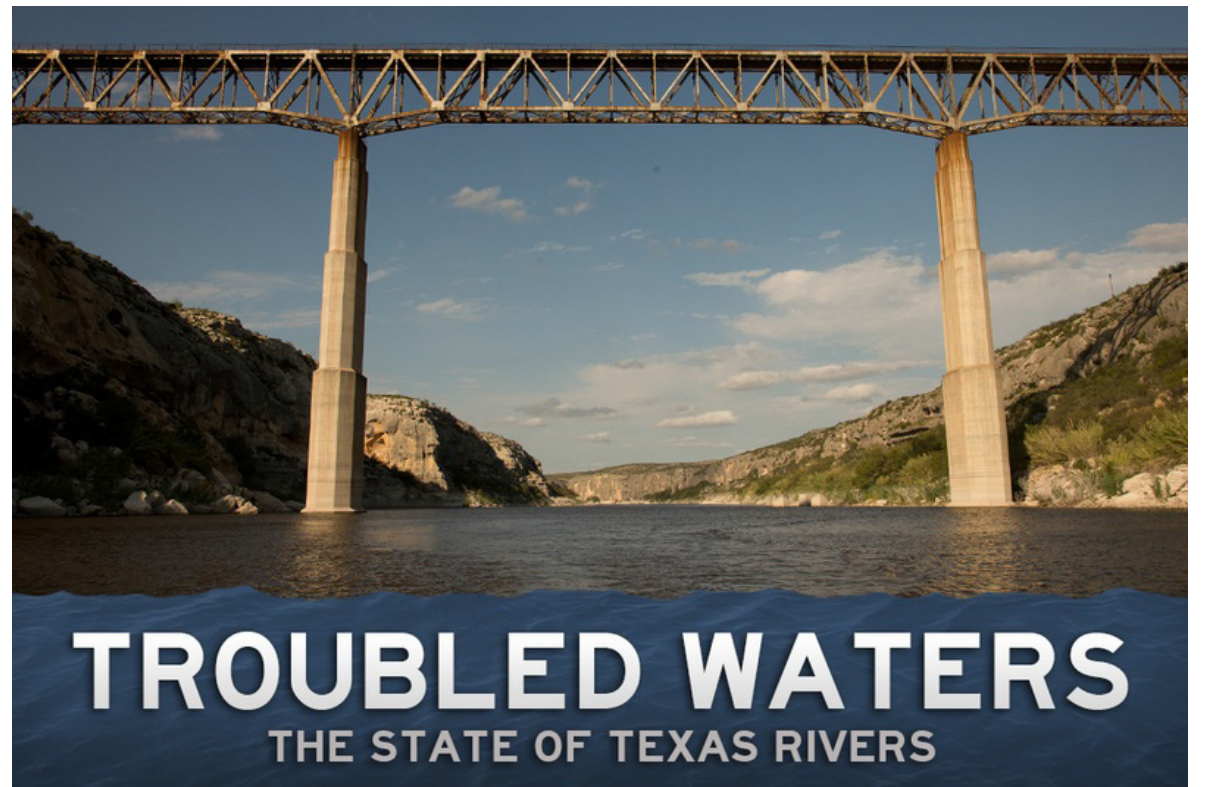
"You are confronted with all this harsh desert beauty. It's a very, very tough trip," said Greg Williams, who has traveled to the Pecos region for 25 years through his work with the San Antonio-based Rock Art Foundation, which supports the preservation of archaeological remains on the river. "It's remarkable, and it will change you. But it's tough. It's a very humbling experience."

Isolation has allowed the Pecos to avoid some of the challenges that increased development has brought to many of the state's other waterways. But it has not been spared from a less direct threat — the gradual ecological changes wrought by the manmade lakes bookending its passage through the state.

Starting in the mountains of northern New Mexico, the river enters and leaves Texas through two reservoirs. Before joining the Rio Grande to fill Lake Amistad, it runs about 350 miles through Texas after hitting the Red Bluff Reservoir on the state's border with New Mexico.

About 100 miles west of Midland, the Red Bluff captures much of the water that flows from the river's source in New Mexico, leaving the upper reaches of the river heavily dependent on rainfall for replenishment.

The stored water that does flow downstream is salty after picking up the minerals left behind in the reservoir, contributing further to the river's naturally occurring high salinity. Salt levels are also magnified by surface water withdrawals for agricultural purposes — the river is the sole source of irrigation



BOB DAEMRICH | TEXAS TRIBUNE

for acres of arid farmland in the region. Drought makes all of it worse.

The high-salt conditions are perfect for a species of coastal algae toxic to freshwater fish, said Tim Birdsong, the ecosystem and habitat chief of Texas Parks and Wildlife's Inland Fisheries division. After first invading the upper Pecos in the mid-1980s, he said, the algae have spread to other rivers in the state, including the Trinity and the Brazos, triggering widespread fish kills. The algae blooms on the Pecos have imperiled its diverse aquatic life, including a kind of minnow known as the Pecos pupfish, whose primary habitat is certain parts of the river and its tributaries.

In the last decade, the state has invested about \$4 million in an attempt to understand how to control the algae outbreaks, Birdsong said. Several universities have also picked up on that research, but it has not resulted in a successful method of curbing the algae's growth in Texas waterways.

"We have done just about all we can to get at this issue and we aren't seeing any real cost-effective strategies at managing algae blooms in streams and rivers," he said.

As the river flows south, it is increasingly fed by groundwater springs, creating a healthier ecosystem, Birdsong said. The land it travels changes to deep limestone canyons, in some areas soaring 150 to 200 feet, making the water difficult to withdraw for agricultural purposes.

"As far as access, it's almost nonexistent," said Missy

Harrington, whose family has ranched in the area since the late 1800s. "We always laughed that my great-grandfather bought the land sight unseen because they told him there were rivers on three sides, but they didn't tell him there were 200-foot bluffs."

The early ranching operation raised cattle, she said, but her family discovered, as many in the area did, that cattle needed costly supplemental feed to stay alive on the sparse countryside that surrounded the river. Now, the only livestock they keep are sheep and goats, which are hardier and require less water.

"I don't think it's changed much in the last hundred years, and I doubt that it'll change much in the next hundred years," Harrington said. "Maybe whenever places sell, and land gets chopped up — it's a beautiful place to build a house, I guarantee it. But it's kind of remote so you're going to have to want to live in the country."

Harrington's land is on what is known as the Lower Pecos, which runs through the canyons that begin along about 60 miles north of Lake Amistad. The freshwater springs that feed the lower portion of the river, which is home to some of the continent's oldest rock art, make it less susceptible to low flow and water quality issues that plague its upper reaches. But the reservoir at its mouth has also left its mark.

"What you see the Pecos now looking like as you cross Highway 90 is not what the Pecos River looked like at all. Really at that point it's the reservoir," said Carolyn

Boyd, a Texas State University archeologist. "Underneath that bridge there's 80 feet of silt underneath the little water that's actually there."

The paintings and rock carvings created by the nomadic hunters and gatherers who occupied the region 12,000 to 4,500 years ago are unusual both for their narrative composition and superior preservation, said Boyd, who directs the Shumla School, an organization dedicated to studying the region's rock art.

"Essentially what we are looking at are the oldest known books in North America that line the river," Boyd said.

The paintings are in dry rock shelters protected from water damage and were produced by combining animal fat with colors produced by chalk-like river rocks, a method Boyd said improved their longevity.

The construction of Amistad in 1969 brought a new element to the climate that had kept the paintings preserved for so long. Surface evaporation from the lake has added more moisture to the arid desert air, Boyd said, which has led to increased mineral accretions and microbial growth on the cave walls that hold the art, accelerating its deterioration.

The effects of the reservoir on the river, said Williams of the Rock Art Foundation, are only just now being seen.

"There are deposits on the walls, there's insect populations that weren't there before," he said. "The humidity has increased, and the full extent of that I don't think we know."

This story is part of the Texas Tribune's "Troubled Waters" series, examining the state of Texas' rivers. Find the rest of the stories and a map of the rivers in the series visit www.texas-tribune.org/series/troubled-waters/.

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ACROSS

- 1 slightly wet
- 5 "Exxon" replaced "Esso" and this
- 6 "___ to riches"
- 7 "___ for help"
- 8 anger
- 9 TV's "___ Supermodel"
- 16 TXism: "she could talk the ___ off an iron stove"
- 18 actress in '72 film "Payday" starring TX Rip Torn
- 21 TX Buddy Holly hit: "___, Boy!"
- 22 slow-witted person
- 23 snaky fish
- 24 "___ up and go, got up and went" (exhausted man)
- 30 TXism: "takes after"
- 34 it entitles you to drive (abbr.)
- 35 throw it again?
- 36 first ___ in TX appeared in 1899
- 37 African antelope
- 39 JFK received these before Nov. 22, 1963 (2 wds.)
- 43 TX Willie Nelson sang "I Love the ___ Live"
- 44 TXism: "___ the nose on your face"
- 45 actress in TX epic "Giant" (init.)
- 46 TX Horton Foote wrote screenplay for '92 film "Of ___ and Men"
- 47 these can be dire
- 49 area where historic Arlington Hall is located in Dallas (2 wds.)
- 52 TX Henry Thomas was Elliott in this '82 film
- 53 TXism: "___ gut" (liquor)
- 54 Brownwood university: "Howard ___"
- 55 Sam Houston was ___ by a Cherokee
- 58 "on a first name ___"

DOWN

- 1 group that opposed a high-speed train in TX in the 90s
- 2 Richard King bought the first King Ranch land for less than 2 cents
- 3 SW of Waco on 84
- 4 small flower bouquet
- 9 first female gov.: "___ Ferguson"
- 10 "Texas Hotel ___ Association"
- 11 TXism: "dead as a door ___"
- 12 this Campbell was "The Tyler Rose"
- 13 this TX John was held hostage in Iran (1979-81)
- 14 this Ames starred with TX Fess in TV's "Daniel Boone" (init.)
- 15 TXism: "fits like ugly on an ___"
- 17 TXism: "could sell sheep ___ a cattleman" (good sales person)
- 19 "You might be a ___ if . . ."
- 20 book on TX feuds: "___ Before I'll Run" (1951)
- 24 stat. for a big swing by Ranger or Astro
- 25 improvised bomb (abbr.)
- 26 "Texas Two-___"
- 27 objectives
- 28 rich TXns leave a big one
- 29 casual clothing top
- 31 Buddy Holly hit: "Peggy ___"
- 32 arrival guess (abbr.)
- 33 TXism: "2 chances: ___ none"
- 38 burning
- 40 state nurse org.
- 41 TX women had "big ___" in the late 70s
- 42 TXism: "___ in high cotton" (rich)
- 48 "___ in the dark"
- 50 TXism: "___ high on the hog" (rich)
- 51 this Kenneth was SMU pres. (1987-94)
- 56 TX actor Andrews, et al.
- 57 Astro pitcher, Al (1990-'93)

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Commissioners meeting Thursday

The Crockett County Commissioners' Court will hold a special called meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, at the courthouse annex.

The meeting is open to the public.

Items on the agenda:

- Discussion and action on contract with West Texas Rehab.
- Discussion and action on line item changes for year end.
- Discussion and action to appoint appraisal board members.

- Discussion and action on resolution in support of FY 2013 Operation Stonegarden Department of Homeland Security-12-GPD-067-000-02.
- Award bids for Animal Control Facility.

Altered recipes, food choices make for healthier holiday meals

BY PAUL SCHATTEBERG
TEXAS AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE

COLLEGE STATION - Turkeys aren't the only things getting stuffed during the holidays. That's why Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service experts have offered tips on altering recipes and making food choices that will make for healthier holiday eating.

"The sugar, fat or sodium content of almost any holiday recipe can be reduced without a noticeable difference in taste," said Dr. Mary Bielamowicz, AgriLife Extension nutrition specialist emerita, College Station. "In addition, there are several traditional holiday foods that have good nutritional value, provided you serve them in ways that don't reduce or negate that nutritional value."

Bielamowicz said sugar and fat content are probably the biggest worries to address when preparing holiday recipes.

"If a recipe calls for a cup of sugar, use two-thirds of a cup," she said. "If it calls for a half-cup of oil, shortening or other fat, use one-third cup."

Processed foods typically have a higher salt or sodium content, she said, so people should be vigilant about checking food labels for sodium content as well as other nutrition data when selecting holiday food items.

"In addition, if it says to use one-half teaspoon of salt, use one-quarter teaspoon or leave it out entirely," Bielamowicz said.

Low-fat also doesn't al-

'Many of us have favorite holiday foods that we eat once or twice a year. If that is the case, enjoy the food, but just watch how much you eat.'

Dr. Jenna Anding
AgriLife Extension Program Leader for Nutrition and Food Sciences

ways mean low-calorie, so be aware of both in holiday food choices, she added.

"Try using reduced or non-fat cheese, milk, cream cheese, cottage cheese, yogurt or mayonnaise instead of their higher-fat counterparts. And try substituting evaporated milk for cream. For mashed potatoes, try using defatted broth instead of butter to reduce both fat and calories."

Bielamowicz said modifying more complicated recipes may not always produce the desired texture, so it's best to try the new recipe out and do a taste-test before serving it to friends and family.

She said for more information on recipe substitutions, the free downloadable publication "Altering Recipes for Good Health" can be found on the AgriLife Extension Family and Consumer Sciences website at http://fcs.tamu.edu/food_and_nutrition/pdf/altering-recipes.pdf.

"Many traditional holiday foods can be healthy and nutritious choices, so long as they are prepared properly and not 'embellished' in ways that take away from that nutritional value," said Dr. Jenna Anding, AgriLife Extension program leader for nutrition and food sciences.

For example, she said, if you're cooking a turkey, leave the skin on to contain the flavor, but then remove it afterward to reduce the fat content. Baste your turkey in its own juice or use a defatted broth.

"For vegetables, the healthiest method of cooking is either steaming or roasting using a small amount of oil or cooking spray. Adding herbs and spices can add unique flavors without added fat and calories."

Anding noted that sweet potatoes are a favorite holiday vegetable containing beneficial phytonutrients and antioxidant properties, as well as essential vitamins and minerals.

"Sweet potatoes are a good source of fiber, are high in vitamins A and C and are a good source of manganese. They are also low in calories — a medium sized baked potato only has about 100 calories, according to the USDA. For people watching their calories this holiday season, a baked sweet potato with a little bit of brown sugar and cinnamon can be a healthier option to one topped with butter and lots of marshmallows."

Anding said cranberries, a common holiday food, are loaded with phytonutrients and are known for their anti-inflammatory properties that

can promote health and may reduce the risk for disease. Adding them in salads and baked items such as muffins, cookies, and pies can be a way to sneak in some added nutrition and flavor.

Even with healthier preparation techniques, when it comes to eating during the holidays, Anding cautions that portion size cannot be forgotten.

"Many of us have favorite holiday foods that we eat once or twice a year. If that is the case, enjoy the food, but just watch how much you eat."

In addition, Anding notes that the holiday season often provides more opportunities to eat due to social gatherings, office parties and other festivities.

"If someone is trying to avoid holiday weight gain, the key is to plan accordingly so they can keep their calorie intake in check," she said. "And don't forget regular physical activity. It can burn off those extra calories and relieve stress that can periodically strike during the holiday season."

For more food and nutrition information and resources available from AgriLife Extension, go to <http://fcs.tamu.edu>.



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Service of Healing and Hope Saturday

"Light in the Darkness: a Service of Healing and Hope," Saturday, Dec. 21, 5-6 p.m. at the Ozona United Methodist Church Chapel.

Dec. 21 is the shortest day of the year, followed by the longest night.

It has become a tradition of Pastor Jean Reardon to offer a candlelight service of healing and hope on that evening.

In the midst of all the holiday excitement and preparation, there are always some do not hear "tidings of comfort and joy."

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DPS increases DWI enforcement during holidays

AUSTIN - The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) will increase DWI patrols for a 21-day period that includes both the Christmas and New Year holidays. From Dec. 13 - Jan. 2, DPS troopers will focus DWI patrols in high-risk locations at times when alcohol-related crashes are most frequent. "Historically, the holiday season brings an increased potential for drinking and driving incidents, and these enhanced DPS patrols will help save lives," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "Impaired driving can easily turn a holiday celebration into a tragic situation. By designating a sober driver or finding alternative transportation if drinking alcohol is expected, Texans can do their part in keeping our roadways safe and making the holidays memorable for the right reasons." The increased patrols that target impaired driving are funded through a grant from the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT). During the Christmas/New Year holiday enforcement effort last year, DPS troopers made more than 1,200 DWI arrests, and approximately 303 were the direct result of the increased patrols. DPS enforcement also resulted in more than 17,600 speeding citations and more than 2,000 seat belt/child safety seat citations. DPS patrols also resulted in 258 fugitive arrests and 211 felony arrests during the same time period. DPS offers the following additional tips for safe travel during the holidays:

- Don't drink and drive. Designate a driver or take a cab.
- Eliminate distractions, including the use of mobile devices.
- Buckle up everyone in the vehicle - it's the law.
- Slow down - especially in bad weather, construction areas and heavy traffic.
- Slow down or move over for police, fire, EMS and Texas Department of Transportation vehicles and tow trucks that are stopped on the side of the road with emergency lights activated - it's the law.
- Don't drive fatigued.
- Drive defensively, as holiday travel may present additional challenges.
- Make sure your vehicle is properly maintained before your trip begins.

CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crockett County Sheriff's Weekly Activity Report

Report any suspicious activity or noises to the sheriff's office as soon as it occurs. Your involvement could assist in preventing a theft or burglary of your neighbor's business or home.

Type of Calls	Count
Abandoned or Impounded Vehicles	0
Livestock/wild /domestic animal complaints	4
911 medical/fire assistance	8
Civil (non-criminal) Complaints	3
Civil Documents service	2
Courtesy Transports/Welfare checks	2
Criminal Complaints/Disturbance/Loud Noise	16
Assist DPS, immigration, other agencies	1
Juvenile/School Complaints	1
Motorist Assist., Lock Vehicle etc	12
Reckless Driving/Speeding complaints	2
Security Alarms	2
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Activity	1
Minor/Major Traffic Accidents	8
Utility Service (Gas, Water, Electricity)	0
Traffic Contacts	6
Inmate Housing for November	\$18,037.50

Incident Reports: Dec. 10-17

• A burglary of a building report was filed by business owner on 11th and Avenue E, unknown person(s) entered building after hours and committed theft.
12-14-13
 • A theft report was filed by citizen at 1500 block of Mulberry Street, suspected person(s) entered residence and committed theft. Investigation continues...
12-15-13
 • Kristina Ann Hooks, of Manchester, Texas, was arrested by sheriff's office for possession of marijuana under two ounces. She posted bond and was released.
12-11-13
 • Robert Paul Watson, of Iraan, Texas, was arrested by sheriff's office with grand jury indictment capias of driving while intoxicated third or more. He remains in custody at Upton County.
12-12-13
 • Delbert Ray Garner, of Houston, Texas, was arrested by sheriff's office for driving while license suspended -enhanced. He posted bond and was released.

FOR THE RECORD: COURT PROCEEDINGS

DISTRICT COURT
 • Joseph D. Thornhill, 29, of Ozona, pled guilty to indecency with a child by exposure, third-degree felony, sentenced to nine years deferred adjudication, community supervision, \$1,000 fine, 160 hours community service and \$343 court costs.
 • Charlie Brown Gravell, aka Bubba Gravell, 24, of Ozona, amended conditions of community supervision and deferred adjudication.
DECEMBER 16
 • 2:55 a.m. - Motor vehicle accident State Highway 163 and 1st street. Fuel truck over turned, fuel leak on roadway. Five units, eight firefighters. Time in service 4 hours 10 minutes.

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have harmed Texas' allocation as set forth in the Rio Grande Project and the 1938 Rio Grande Compact. Texas, New Mexico and Colorado each filed briefs on the case. The U.S. Supreme Court asked the U.S. Solicitor General to weigh in on the case before deciding to take the action. Chairman Bryan W. Shaw of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality commented, saying, "While Texas is loath to sue our New Mexico neighbor, river compacts are law, Texas rightfully depends on water apportioned under the law, and the compacts must be enforced."

SCOTUS HEARS AIR CASE

The U.S. Supreme Court on Dec. 10 heard oral arguments in EPA v. EME Homer City Generation, a case contesting the federal agency's cross-state air pollution rule that would require Texas and 27 other states to reduce power plant emissions that cross state lines.

Texas Railroad Commission Chairman Barry Smitherman said the rule "threatens the viability of the Texas lignite mining industry, jobs and severely hampers economic growth. If the rule is implemented, many Texas coal-fired power plants may be forced to limit or shut down operations." A decision by the high court is expected by June 2014.

TRAVIS DA KEEPS JOB
 Travis County District Attorney Rosemary Lehmborg was not forced to resign, pursuant to a Dec. 11 ruling by visiting Judge David Peoples of San Antonio on a petition to seeking to remove her from office. Lehmborg, who also serves as the chief enforcer of the state's ethics laws on upper-tier officeholders, was arrested and jailed last April for driving while intoxicated. Her behavior following her arrest was recorded and widely publicized. Following the civil court hearing, Lehmborg said, "I deeply regret my actions on April 12th and have taken full responsibility. I am committed to carrying out my responsibilities as district attorney and to continue serving the voters of Travis County."

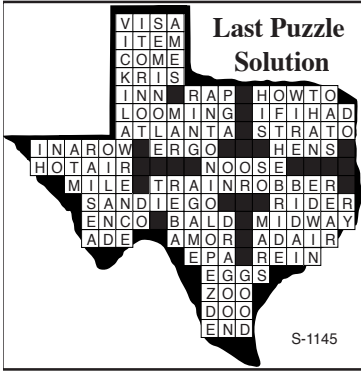
UT FOOTBALL COACH RESIGNS
 Mack Brown, head football coach for The University of Texas, gave his farewell press conference on Dec. 15, after 16 years at the helm. Brown's salary is an estimated \$5.4 million, making him one of the three highest-paid college football coaches in the nation.

FIRE DEPARTMENT RUNS

The 2014 Officers: Chief Brian Morrow; 1st Asst. Marvin Holmes; 2nd Asst. Joe Bradford; Fire Marshal Steve Kenley; Captain Blake Morrow; Lieutenant Jordan De La Rosa; Training Officer Ron Hawthorne; Chaplain JC Cantu; President Cody Gotcher; Vice President Michael Mitchell; Secretary Georgia Morrow; Mascots Kattie Gotcher and Carlos Cantu Jr.
DECEMBER 15
 •12:10 a.m. - North county line State Highway 163. Heater treater fire. Six units, 10 firefighters, Barnhart FD 2 trucks and Big Lake FD 1 truck. Time in service 2 hours 25 minutes
 •5:53 a.m. - Motor vehicle accident at mile-marker 363 on I-10. One vehicle, one extraction. Three units, five firefighters. Time in service 2 hours.

EMS DEPARTMENT RUNS

12/8/2013
 12 a.m. - No treatment, No Transport 911 Response (Emergency)
 6:48 p.m. - Transported No Lights/Siren Shannon West Texas Memorial Hospital 911 Response (Emergency)
12/10/2013
 11:16 p.m. - Transported No Lights/Siren Family Health Clinic 911 Response (Emergency)
12/11/2013
 7:20 a.m. - Transported No Lights/Siren Shannon West Texas Memorial Hospital 911 Response (Emergency)
 11:54 a.m. - Transported No Lights/Siren Shannon West Texas Memorial Hospital 911 Response (Emergency)
 8:23 p.m. - No treatment, No Transport 911 Response (Emergency)
12/12/2013
 3:29 p.m. - Transported No Lights/Siren Shannon West Texas Memorial Hospital 911 Response (Emergency)
12/13/2013
 4:50 a.m. - Transported No Lights/Siren Shannon West Texas Memorial Hospital 911 Response (Emergency)
 7:05 a.m. - Transported Lights/Siren San Angelo Community Med Ctr 911 Response (Emergency)
12/14/2013
 12 a.m. - Transported No Lights/Siren Family Health Clinic 911 Response (Emergency)
12/15/2013
 5:39 a.m. - Transported No Lights/Siren Shannon West Texas Memorial Hospital 911 Response (Emergency)
 10:05 p.m. - Transported Lights/Siren Family Health Clinic 911 Response (Emergency)
12/16/2013
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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO FORM A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
Notice is hereby given that Millsbaugh Ranch Company, a Texas general partnership, whose principal business office is at 2201 Sherwood Way, Suite 301, San Angelo, Texas 76901, intends on January 1, 2014, to form a Texas limited liability company under the same or similar name, Millsbaugh Ranch Company LLC. DATED December 2, 2014 Millsbaugh Ranch Company By: Sara Ann Millsbaugh Ingram, Managing Partner.



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All facilities of the Ozona National Bank will close at noon on Tuesday, Dec. 24, 2013 and remain closed through Wednesday, Dec. 25, 2013 in recognition of the Christmas holiday. Regular banking hours will resume on Thursday, Dec. 26, 2013.

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