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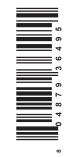
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Lady Lions win state medals

Higgins first, Vargas fifth in powerlifting

Nicole Higgins brought home the gold last week in state powerlifting.

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Higgins, a senior at OHS, placed first in the 148-pound class at the meet in Corpus Christi.

She had 400 in squat, 145 in bench press and 315 in dead lift for a total of 860 pounds.

Sophomore Ashley Vargas placed fifth in the 165-pound class with a 310 in squat, 135 in bench press and 290 in dead lift for a total of 735.

"Both of the girls did an awesome job at state. It has been a pleasure to coach hard working, great competitors in Nicole and Ashley and all that they accomplished this year. They both will do great things in life because of the work ethic they both have," said Coach Todd Harrison.

OHS Lions Hazael Damian and Michael Vargas will compete in the boys state meet this week.

Damian was the regional champion in the 242-pound class and Vargas was second in the 148-pound class.

The state meet will be held Saturday, March 22, in



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OHS LADY LIONS POWERLIFTERS Ashley Vargas (left) and Nicole Higgins competed in the state meet last week at Corpus Christi. Vargas finished fifth and Higgins first. They are pictured with Coach Todd Harrison.

CCCCSD School Board meeting tonight

The Crockett County CCSD School Board will hold their regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. tonight (March 19) in the Administration Office Board Room at 797 Avenue D.

Items on the agenda:

District spotlightOpen forum/public com-

ments
·Reports: transportation
and maintenance; principals;
athletic director; technology director; band; cafeteria/
food service; special and fed-

- enrollment and attendance.
- Financial and bills: bills; board report; monthly investment report; amendments to the 2013-2014 official budget.

eral programs; superintendent

• Consent Agenda: approve minutes from the Feb. 19 regular meeting.

•Executive/closed session: personnel matters - resignations (if any have been received) and consider professional contracts.

 Possible action from excutive/closed session

· Consider the revised 2014-2015 official district school calendar

• Future business: April 2014 regular board meeting (suggested date April 16).

He doesn't like water



MELISSA PERNER | THE OZONA STOCKMAN

BUDDY LAYMAN (center), portrayed by Chris Cantu, receives a bath from his sister Jennie Mae Layman, portrayed by Michelle Delgado, and a visiting former preacher, C.C. Showers, portrayed by Walker Whitten, in the OHS One Act Play "The Diviners" by Jim Leonard Jr. The cast and crew performed their annual dinner theatre Monday night at the Civic Center. They will perform in the Zone Competition Thursday in Wink.

Fewer women farmers in U.S., but more in Texas

BY CORRIE MACLAGGAN AND NEENA SATIJA TEXAS TRIBUNE

The number of women farmers in Texas is increasing, bucking the national trend, according to preliminary data from the U.S. Census of Agri-

culture.

The number of female principal farm operators in Texas increased 10 percent between 2007 and 2012, while the number of female principal operators across the country declined, according to the data released last week.

About 38,500 farms in Texas had female principal operators in 2012, an increase from 35,000 in 2007. Meanwhile, the number of farms in Texas with male principal operators declined, as did the overall number of farms in the state

Jason Johnson, associate professor at Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Stephenville, said that the growing number of female principal

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DAVID BOWSER | TEXAS TRIBUNE

DEDE CUMMINS sits next to an irrigation well at her farm in the Texas Panhandle near Amarillo.

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2 The Ozona Stockman Wednesday, March 19, 2014 Women farmers - a growing trend in Texas

During Women's History the region Month, we recognize the genlooking for erations of women who shaped riches and our society through their tireconquest.

less work and commitment to family and community. Among these women are female farmers who tamed Texas and surcommuvived by living off the land. In South Texas and along the border, Mexican-American women have a rich history of and sold farming. During the 1500s, many Native American women along the Rio

married Spaniards who entered

Under Spanish law, these women had nity property rights. Soon, they bought ranchlands all

Grande Valley.



GREETINGS FROM WASHINGTON PETE GALLEG0

Among these women was Rosa Hinojosa de Ballí. At one time, she owned over a million acres in South Texas and became one of the most influential women of her time. Known as "La Patrona," she was the first cattle queen of Texas and was quite the entrepreneur. In addition to cattle, she also raised sheep, goats and horses on her properties.

Today, roughly 14 percent of U.S. farms are owned and operated by women. While

that number has mostly stayed unchanged nationally over the years, Texas has actually bucked the national trend. According to the U.S. Census of Agriculture, the number of female farm operators in Texas has increased by 10 percent since 2007.

Because Texas relies heavily on agricultural exports, the 2014 Agricultural Act was an important step in allowing both men and women farmers to better plan for future seasons and keep the agriculture industry strong. Initiatives like the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) farm loan programs for minorities and women farmers help support new farmers and ranchers by offering loans to build a business.

Farmers and ranchers play a crucial role in the economy of the 23rd District of Texas. Many communities rely on agriculture as the lion's share of their local economy. Listening to the concerns of men and women in agriculture is an of-

This month, as part of Women's History Month, I urge you to reach out to those women you know who are involved in bringing food from farms, fields and ranches to our stores and ultimately to our tables. Thank them for their commitment to feeding and growing our local communities.

CONGRESSMAN GALLEGO represents the 23rd District of Texas. Contact him at: http://gallego.house.gov

Agencies must update **FOIA regulations**

This Sunshine Week, the National Security Archive is reporting that 50 out of 101 agencies have not updated their FOIA regulations since the OPEN Government Act of 2007. Even fewer have updated since President Obama committed to improving the FOIA in 2009 One, the Federal Trade Commission, hasn't updated its regulations since 1975! Luckily, the House of Representatives and the White House are, belatedly, taking up the case.

Up-to-date FOIA regulations are the most important tool FOIA officers must have - literally at their fingertips - to ensure they are processing requests correctly. As such, it's extremely frustrating that such a basic and rudimentary step has been ignored by many agencies, and described as "not required" by the highest FOIA official in the US government.

The House of Representatives recently unanimously passed the bipartisan Freedom of Information Act implementation Act (H.K. 1211), which includes a provision compelling agencies to update their FOIA regulations. The House bill - which now awaits Senate approval - would require each agency to update its FOIA regulations "not later than 180 days after the enactment of this Act." At the same time, the White House is addressing the problem of outdated regulations, albeit in a different manner. In its latest Open Government Partnership National Action Plan, the White House has committed (on paper, at least) to create one common, government-wide set of FOIA regulations that would make it "easier for the Government to keep regulations up to date."

Both plans have a long way to becoming a reality. And in both cases, the devil will be in the details, and open government watchdogs must be vigilant to ensure that the regulations are progressive,

rather than regressive. Currently, the DOJ's Office of Information Policy is responsible for ensuring that agency regulations are up to-date and reflect recent improvements to the FOIA. However, OIP's role as the federal FOIA defender is highly questionable, considering the DOJ itself has not updated its own regulations since 2003. Worse still, OIP recently proposed new regulations that would



GUEST COLUMN LAUREN HARPER

have been misleading to FOIA requesters about the existence of some documents, exempted online publications from being considered news media, and disqualified most stu-

dents from receiving FOIA fee waivers. These FOIA backtracks were a large reason the Justice Department was the first ever back to back winner of the National Security Archive's Rosemary Award for worst open government perfor-

mance by a federal agency. It will be up to the open government community to ensure that updated regulations - either on an agency-by-agency basis or by one common, governmentwide set - embody the principles of open government and ensure that more doc uments are released to requesters, more quickly. Reforms that must be included in any successful FOIA regulations update are ones that would mandate that FOIA officers embrace direct communications with requesters, and include language on the OGIS, which can help requesters and agencies mediate disputes to avoid animosity and costly litigation. Best practice regulations must also encourage agencies to bring their FOIA processing into the digital age by requiring that agencies receive requests by e-mail and post all responses and documents on FOIAonline. Finally, best practice regulations must end the practice of using fees to discourage FOIA requesters.

The House of Representatives and the White House's genuine, if late, acknowledgment of the importance of updating outdated FOIA regulations is something to celebrate this Sunshine Week. If and when this important FOIA reform occurs, it will be up to journalists, frequent FOIA requesters, and open government advocates to ensure that these ever-important regulations improve the FOIA as much as they have the potential to.

> **LAUREN HARPER** is a Research Assistant for FOIA Advocacy and Open Government National Security Archive

A Friendly Test

The word "friend" just might be the most overused word in the English lan-

The word has been diluted like watered wine, a bar drink, and the American dollar. Take for example a "Facebook

How can someone you have never met, and wouldn't recognize if you were stuck in an elevator together, be a friend?

Obviously there are different levels of friendship. There are fair weather friends, true blue friends and the aforementioned Facebook friends. Put your friendships to the test by selecting the appropriate answers to these questions.

1. You and your team roping partner, and best friend, have made it to the US-TRC finals and all you need to do is rope your last steer in less than nine seconds and you'll each receive \$110,000 plus a gooseneck trailer full of fabulous prizes. After you miss the heels your partner (a) Slaps you on the back and says, "Let's go have a beer. (b) Advertises in the next issue of Super Looper for a new partner. (c) Slashes your ropes and your tires and says, "I never want to see you again."

2. Your wife of 20 years leaves you for someone else. Your "friend" then asks (a) "Is there anything I can do." (b) "When are you having the yard sale?" (c) "What's her phone number. She's a real hottie!

3. After your friend wins \$550 million in the lottery he or she (a) Gives you



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a million or two. (b) Gives you a sermon on how it would destroy your friendship if any money was exchanged. (c) Invites you to a celebratory dinner at an expensive restaurant and makes you pick up the check.

4. You have hit rock bottom and are begging alongside the road with a sign in your hand that says, "Will work for food." A friend drives

by and (a) Pretends not to see you. (b) Throws a quarter your way and speeds away. (c) Hires you at half the minimum wage to scrub the inside of his septic tank.

5. As a male you ask a female friend if you can borrow a dress you happen to like, and beg her not to tell your little secret that you love to bake chocolate chip cookies, have a pedicure, sleep with body pillow, and go shopping. Your so-called friend (a) Still likes you anyway. (b) Only tells her husband and every member of the local Cattlewomen club. (c) Puts a picture of you in the dress on her Facebook page.

6. You are thrown in jail and you use your one phone call to phone a friend. Does he or she (a) Let the answering ma-

chine pick up. (b) Bail you out but then blackmails you by demanding special favors. (c) Send you books of crossword and Sudoko puzzles and one titled 150 Ways To Play Solitaire In Your Spare

7. You call a friend to help you work calves but this year, instead of roping them, the calves will be worked on a calf table. Your friend (a) Shows up, but is wearing a disguise. (b) Tells you they'd love to come but that is the day they have to dust the rutabaga plants (c) Never speaks to you again.

8. You tell your friend that the doctors have just advised you that you only have six months to live. Your friend (a) Gives you a kidney that will save your life. (b) Asks if they can come early to your estate sale to get a jump on the dealers. (c) Shares a good cry and then asks if he can have your season tickets for the next football season since you won't be using

Answers: If the answer was (a) in most cases, Congratulations! You have that rare and precious rare commodity: a true blue friend.

If (b) was the answer most of the time you are fair weather friends.

If the answer was (c) you are what are commonly referred to as Facebook Friends. I'd watch my back, my spouse and my pocketbook if I were you.

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Many registered but few voted in primaries

STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling | Texas Press Association

AUSTIN — Looking back at the March 4 primaries, Texas boasted 13,601,324 voters registered in time to cast a ballot.

An estimated 9 percent of the overall number of registered voters (about 1.3 million) voted in the Republican primary and 4 percent (500,000) voted in the Democratic primary.

Runoffs between the top two vote-getting candidates in a number of contests are scheduled for Tuesday, May 27, the day after the federal holiday, Memorial Day. Votes count big in any election, but as historic participation records reveal, the portion of the electorate that actually votes in runoffs is an even thinner slice of the whole. And voter turnout is especially low in mid-term (non-presidential election year) runoffs, as those set for May 27 will be. Usually about 2 percent of registered voters cast a ballot

in those.

Next, let's look at the final component of the March 4 primary ballot — propositions — reflecting interests of the Texas Democratic and Texas Republican parties. Propositions and percentages of votes in favor or against each, as posted by Office of the Texas Secretary of State's Elections Division, are as follows.

Republican Prop. 1: Ability to freely express religious beliefs and prayer in public.

- In Favor: 1,311,353 (97.24 percent)

- Against: 37,117 (2.75 percent) Republican Prop. 2: Expanding locations where concealed handgun-permit holders may carry.

- In Favor: 1,160,360 (86.92 percent)

- Against: 174,594 (13.07 percent)

Republican Prop. 3: Abolish the state franchise tax to encourage business growth. - In Favor: 1,152,521 (88.47

percent)

- Against: 150,132 (11.52 percent)

Republican Prop. 4: Welfare recipients to be tested for drugs before receiving benefits.

- In Favor: 1,280,839 (94.90 percent)

- Against: 68,729 (5.09 percent)

Republican Prop. 5: Elected officials and staff be subject to same laws as constituents. - In Favor: 1,344,230 (99.36

percent) - Against: 8,583 (0.63 percent)

Republican Prop 6: Repeal The Affordable Care Act. In Favor: 1,253,915 (93.00 percent)

Against: 94,310 (6.99 per-

cent)

Democratic Prop. 1: Immi-

gration reform. - In Favor: 477,578 (86.46 percent) - Against: 74,744

(13.53 percent) Democratic Prop. 2: A living wage for all

Texans. - In Favor: 498,360 (89.09 percent) - Against: 60,977 (10.90)percent) PLEASE SEE STATE,



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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.

Concealed handgun license class on Saturday, May 3

A Concealed Handgun License class will be held at 8 a.m. May 3 at the Crockett County Gun Range.

The class includes four hours classroom plus range

Cost is \$70 per person.

For class state fees and paperwork cost is \$140. Payment of \$70 is required on or before April 20.

For more information, call Marvin Holmes at (817) 894-6292 or Eddie Martin at (325) 226-4808.

Relay For Life seeking teams

Crockett County Relay For Life is five weeks away. Here are a few other re-

minders: · April 8 - T-Shirt pick up and bank night. A representative for the team needs to attend to pick up T-shirts, turn in money (no coins please), and pick up the schedule of events for Relay.

· April 11-12 - Crockett County Relay For Life 7 p.m. -2 a.m. at Lion Stadium.

For more information, call Shelly Childress at (325) 277-5381 or visit www.relayforlife.org/crockettcotx.

Community scholarship applications needed

Ozona community organizations need to contact Tisha Harrison, OHS Counselor with their scholarship information and application

forms.

Mrs. Harrison can be reached at (325) 392-5501 or e-mail tisha.harrison@ozonaschools.net

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

March 19 - Bobbie Renfroe, Mike Preddy, Kristin Bunger, Tiffany Esparza, Braxton Bauerlein, Dennis Newby, Vanessa Santiago and Jadyn Poindexter

March 21 - Heather Price, Leandra Benson and Mela Flores

March 22 - Sebastian De La Cruz, Abel Rodriguez, Stella Rodriguez, Sevastian De La Garza, Joaquin R. Meza, Jeannine Fuller, Juan Villarreal, Alex Sanchez and Cynthia Bartley

March 23 - Melissa Hubbard, Tres Perez, Cynthia Flores, Barbara Guerrero and Tyra Branch

March 24 - Alfred Enriquez, Vicki Stokes, Zachary Wright, Angela Moore and Austin Borrego

March 25 - Cynthia Hokit, Cameron Martinez, Rita Vasquez, Albert Talamantez Sr., Taylor Newton, Alex Hopper, Heidi Sullivan and Emilio Tambunga

Annual Easter Egg Hunt April 20

The Ozona Knights of Columbus will hold their annual County-wide Easter Egg Hunt at 2 p.m. Easter Sunday, April 20, at the town square park.

If bad weather occurs, the hunt will be moved under the pavilion by the rodeo

The Easter Egg Hunt is County-wide for children up to 10 years old.

Our goal is to have all plastic and individual candy eggs. We will have prized eggs. Anyone wanting to donate towards our Easter Egg hunt may bring the plastic or candy eggs to us on that day by at least 1 p.m.," said Coordinator Frank Tambunga.

For more information, call Tambunga at 392-2827.

LIBRARY NEWS

Summer computer classes offered

The Crockett County Public Library is planning to offer small classes at the library this summer.

Topics can include Microsoft Office, e-mail, inter-

net or others of interest. Please let the library know if you want to participate for a small fee.

CCPL has 10 computers, or you can use your personal laptop and their wireless internet.

For more information, call 392-3565.

'Doing Business in the Oilfield' seminar April 8 in San Angelo

The ASU-SBDC (Angelo State University Small Business Development Center) is excited to co-host the event "Doing Business in the Oilfield? Where Does Your Small Business Fit?" Tuesday, April 8, at 1:30 p.m. at the ASU LeGrand Alumni Center in San Angelo.

Topics covered: new developments in the local oilfield production, oil and gas supply chain, reaching supply chain buyers, what services are needed, approaching and qualifying to do business with the oilfield, master service agreement, and provide a resources question and answer panel.

Guest speakers: · Luke Legate, Joint Oil

and Gas Education Associa-

· Randy Gill, Area Man-

ager, FIML Natural Resources, LLC, Ozona

· Jeff Johnson, CEO Dixie Controls

· James Jones, Del Mar College SBDC

· Gil Gonzales, Director, Rural Business Program UTSA

Event Partners: ASU Small Business Development Center, Concho Valley Workforce Development Board, Downtown San Angelo Inc., Howard College, San Angelo Chamber of Commerce, and the San Angelo Development Corporation.

Seating for participants is limited so you must register to reserve your spot. Cost is \$15.

For more information, or to register, call the ASU-SB-DC at (325) 942-2098 or register online at www.sbdc.angelo.edu.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Wednesday, March 19

- Exercise class, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center. • Relay For Life meeting, noon at El Chato's restaurant.
- Weather Spotter Training class, 1-3 p.m. at the Sonora High School Au-
- Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Prayer Group, 3 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- CCCCSD School Board meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Building.
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes, 7:30 p.m. at the OHS Davidson Gym.

Thursday, March 20

- OHS Tennis at the Reagan County Invitational in Big Lake.
- OHS One Act Play at Zone Competition in Wink.
- OHS Track Teams at the Harper Relays.
- Quilting, 9:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Tai-Chi exercies, 2 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Friday, March 21

- OHS Lady Lions Powerlifting at State Meet in Corpus Christi.
- OHS Tennis at the Reagan County Invitational in Big Lake.
- Exercise Classes, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- OMS Track Teams in the Harper Relays, 4 p.m. at Harper.
- OHS Lions Baseball vs. Eldorado, 5 p.m. at the OHS Baseball Field.
- OHS Lady Lions Softball vs. McCamey, 5:30 p.m. at the OHS Softball Field.

Saturday, March 22

- OHS Academic Team at the UIL District Meet in Mertzon

• OHS Lions Powerlifting at the State Meet in Abilene.

- Monday, March 24 • OHS Golf Teams at the District Meet in Monahans
- Exercise class, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Tuesday, March 25

- Tai-Chi exercises, 2 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- OHS Lions Baseball vs. Junction, 5 p.m. at Junction. • OHS Lady Lions Softball vs. Marfa, 5:30 p.m. at Marfa

Wednesday, March 26

- Exercise class, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Prayer Group, 3 p.m. at the Senior Center.



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HELPING HANDS NEWS

Helping Hands is in need of volunteers to deliver meals to the elderly.

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For applications, call Weldon Nicks at (325) 392-3600.

MARCH 19

·Beef tips with gravy, baked potato, peas and carrots, white roll, mandarin fluff fruit and two percent

MARCH 20

· Meatloaf, O'Brien potatoes, seasoned spinach, cornbread, chocolate brownie and two percent milk.

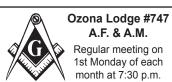
MARCH 21

·Grill oregano chicken, baby lima beans, stewed tomatoes, rolls, emerald pears and two percent milk

MARCH 24

·Chicken patty on a bun, baked beans, lettuce, tomato and onion, mustard, fresh fruit and two percent milk **MARCH 25**

·Stuffed bell pepper, mashed potatoes, green beans, whole wheat roll, rocky road pudding and two percent milk



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Cooking up a Texas cottage food business

BY WHITNEY WALSTON

TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE

Texas Cottage Food Law allows the sale of foods that are prepared in residential homes as long as gross sales do not exceed \$50,000 an-

This type of business is not regulated by a local or state health department, which means that your kitchen will not be inspected by a health inspector (unless there is concern about the public's health).

Recent changes to the Texas Cottage Food Law mean that more foods can be prepared and sold from a residential kitchen.

"The previous law limited the foods that could be sold to mainly baked goods, jams and jellies, and dried herbs," said Whitney Walston, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Agent for Crockett County.

Under the amended law, which took effect Sept. 1, the list of foods that can be sold has been expanded to include pickles, popcorn snacks, candy, unroasted nut butters and vinegar.

Other foods include baked goods that don't require refrigeration, canned jams and jellies, roasted coffee or dry tea, coated and uncoated nuts, dried herbs and herb mixes, dehydrated fruits and vegetables, cereal, fruit butters, mustard and fruit pies.

In addition, these foods can be sold at venues outside the home including farmers markets, roadside stands,

and fairs. All foods sold must be properly labeled and include the name and address of the operation, the name of the product, possible allergens that are in the food, and a statement saying the food was not prepared in a kitchen that is inspected by the Department of State Health Services or a local health depart-

The amended law also requires that anyone who operates a cottage food business have a food handler's card by Jan. 1, 2014. Individuals interested in receiving their food handler card can do so online at foodsafetyonline. tamu.edu.

For more information about the Cottage Food Law, call the Crockett County Extension office at 392-2721.

TEXAS PECOS TRAIL NEWS

Submit a site or event for TPTR website

BY SCOTT JORDAN

TEXAS PECOS TRAIL

The Pecos Trail Region website provides easy online access for potential travelers to seek out places to visit, a resource for learning about our heritage and culture from a regional perspective, and for partners to input information about their sites and events.

To submit a site, go to http://texaspecostrail.com, click on the Partners tab, and complete the site online form. Each site will be added to the list and updated at our discretion.

Please keep the visitor experience in mind when making your submission. You will

need to include site name, brief description, contact person, phone, e-mail, physical address, open hours, entry fee, and other details. It is helpful to include directions, current photos, and your site's web address where online visitors can learn more.

To submit an event, the event online form is also found in the Partners section and similar guidelines apply.

Again, you want to attract visitors, so be sure to include an event description, exact date and time, event address, e-mail, and contact phone.

Event cost is optional, but it's important to let others know of a significant ticket price and especially if the event is free.

There is also a form for submitting a city. Most cities have already been listed, but if yours is not, feel free to submit a city.

Also, if an event, site, or city needs to be updated, e-mail us at info@texaspecostrail.com.

The website gives our partners the opportunity to participate in the Pecos Trail and promote heritage tourism. We encourage our partners to use the online forms and have more control over the promotion of their sites and events.

For more information, call Scott Jordan at (325) 387-3900 or e-mail info@texaspecostrail.com.

OBITUARIES

Jewell Lafayette Fish

Jewell Lafayette Fish, 80. died Friday, March 14, at Shannon Medical Center.

She was born Sept. 8, 1933 in Brownwood. She was a member of Calvary Baptist Church in Ozona, where she played the piano and organ. She also lived in Brownwood for many years. She was dedicated to her religion and ready to go see her late husband and parents.

Jewell was preceded in death by her husband, Cecil H. Fish Sr. and daughter, Mary Inez Ramirez.

She is survived by sons, James M. Fish, of Ozona and Cecil H. Fish Jr., of Ingleside, Texas; daughters Marlynn E. Faller, of Anaheim, Calif.



and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great children.

Services will be held at a later date.

OZONA SENIOR HAPPENINGS

Facebook program coming soon

BY BRENDA NEWTON SENIOR CENTER DIRECTOR

This is the time of year that I really do not want to work because I love to work in my yard. It is so much fun to see the trees budding out

and the grass getting green. Of course, that means we got to mow and weed eat and fight weeds and sweep and dig, and, and... Oh dear, maybe I don't want to work in the yard as much as

Melissa Perner has volunteered to give a talk on the workings of Facebook. Facebook is a fun thing to use on the computer to keep up

I thought.

with your friends and what they are doing. I was not for it in the beginning because I thought it would be too hard to manage. I now have a problem if I miss a day checking on my friends. Melissa and I are working on a date for

eye on the paper and we will post the date later. Ludy Vargas has also said she would give a program on making the cute, little lacy scarfs that you see the la-

dies wearing around town. She also has not set a date so

her presentation. You do not

want to miss this, so keep an

watch for that as well.

We have had a few come in to try the new tape here called Tai-Chi by Scott Cole. It is for balance and mobility. It moves really slowly like Yoga but you do not have to get on the floor. You stand and sit for exercises. I really think any of you that would like to exercise but are unable to get too serious would love to do these exercises. We will be doing these exercises on Tuesday and Thursday at 2 p.m. Come try it out! The regular exercise is still going on so look below for the dates and times and come

If there is something you would like to have started at the center, please let me know and I will try to make it happen.

Don't forget the trade table.

Exercise 9 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Bridge is on Monday afternoons at 1:30 p.m. Balance exercise is at Tuesday and Thursday at 2 p.m. Mexican Train at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday. Prayer Group is on Wednesday at 3 p.m. Quilting is on Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m.

Come on out, the coffee is on.

PURE DRINKING WATER

We can live without a lot if things but good water is not one of them. In many areas in the world and even in our country there are water problems. Bad water or contaminated water can make you sick and even kill you. My younger brother is going and has been going to many parts of the world helping people get pure water. He works with a Christian group that go especially to areas that have been hit with a disaster and set up water purifiers for them or teach them how to purify their water. We have no idea what people face after catastrophic disasters hit them especially in third world countries. I have watched a demonstration where they took dirty contaminated water and transformed in to clean clear pure water. That water reminds me of something in the Bible. Jesus talked about water when He was talking to the Samaritan woman at the water well, (John 4:7-10). We need to good water to survive but Jesus was talking about another kind of water or gift that He could give, it was living water, (John 4:13&14). That gift is eternal life. Just as good cool clean water quenches our thirst and refreshes us, the gift, that only Jesus can give is eternal life. Our soul's thirst and hunger for it and it is so satisfying when we experience it, (Ephesians 2:8&9, Romans 3:24, 6:23). See you in Church next Sunday.

First Baptist Church

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting - 6 p.m.

Templo Bautista Jerusalem

138 Blas St. Rev. Esequiel Cervantez Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m, 6 p.m. Wednesday: 7 p.m.

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.

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.

New Beginnings Church

701 9th Street **Pastor Carlos Cantu** Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Wednesday: 7 p.m.

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.

Faith Lutheran Church

802 1st St. **Pastor Tom Baden** Worship: Sunday - 7 p.m. Bible Class: Sunday - 6 p.m.

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.

Attend the Church of your choice this Sunday.

Ozona United **Methodist Church**

12 - 11th St. Pastor Jean Reardon Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

Templo Siloe **Assembly of God Church** 2121 Santa Rosa St.

Pastor Ruth & Gerson Posadas Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11:00 a.m., 6:00 p.m. Wed. Family Service: 6:30 p.m.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help 219 Martinez St.

Fr. Nilo Nalugon Sun. Mass: 9 a.m. in Sheffield; 11 a.m. in Ozona EverySecond Sunday of the Month: Sun. Mass: 9 a.m. in Ozona; 11 a.m. in Sheffield Tues. - Sat. Mass: 6 p.m.

Apostolic Church 307 Santa Rosa St.

Rev. Refugio Vega Sunday School: 3 p.m. Sunday Worship: 4 p.m. Tues & Thur. Service: 7:00 p.m.

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.

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Texas State Parks Photography Contest expands categories

AUSTIN - The second annual Texas State Parks Photo Contest has new categories added this time around and photographers of all ages have a chance to win.

Whether it's a photo from a weekend get together with friends, or even a "selfie," your playful moments at your favorite state park could be published in the Texas Parks and Wildlife Magazine. Additionally, you could win a new HERO3+ Silver Edition GoPro© video camera from Whole Earth Provision Co., valued at \$300.

Photos must be entered by midnight, April 14.

This year's categories will feature photos by kids (17 and under), photos by adults (18 years or older) and Instagram photos.

Whether you plan to enter the contest or not, Texas' state parks offer a wide array of locations to view and photograph yourself and others in the company of some of the state's most remarkable scenery, flowers, wildlife and landmarks.

Some state parks have scheduled photography events, including a photo tour of Big Bend Ranch State Park on Friday, March 21 and March 28.

For photography events, visit http://www.tpwd.state. tx.us/calendar/photography.

To enter the contest, visit: www.texasstateparks.org/ photography and follow the links to the contest. Sign into Flickr (Yahoo), or for entrants who prefer to sign in with an existing Google account or Facebook account, there's a way to do that, too.

Select "Join This Group" to be added to the "2014 Texas State Parks Photo Contest," then upload your entries.

Don't forget to tag the state park or natural area where the photo was taken. Photos must be tagged with "17U" if you are under 17 years of age.

Instagram entries must be tagged with the hashtag #MyParkPic and include the name of the state park where the photo was taken.

The photo contest is open to all photographers, except TPWD employees and their immediate family. Winners will be contacted on or about May 15 through their

Flickr or Instagram accounts. For complete contest rules, visit www.tpwd.state.tx.us/stateparks/parks/things-to-do/photo-contest-rules.



Water planners to set bar for conservation funding

BY RABEEA TAHIR TEXAS TRIBUNE

When voters approved using \$2 billion from the state's Rainy Day Fund for water financing last November, they were also supporting a measure that reserves 20 percent of that money for "water conservation and reuse projects."

Now, state and local water planning officials have to decide what "water conservation and reuse" actually means. And after months of debate, the Texas Water Development Board, which will ultimately decide how to administer the funds, is still not sure exactly which water projects should fall into that category.

"When funding comes from the state, it is not unusual for there to be disagreements over the definition and what should be included and what shouldn't," said state Sen. Troy Fraser, R-Horseshoe Bay, the chairman of the Senate Natural Resources Committee. "We want 20 percent allocated to conservation and reuse, but we also gave very broad authority to the board to make these decisions."

So far, there seems to be a consensus over what does not qualify for the reserved conservation funding. In recent public meetings held by the water board, water officials and environmental advocates from across the state agreed that expensive projects like aquifer storage and recovery, a kind of underground reservoir storage solution, and desalination should be excluded. That does not mean they can't be eligible for any lowcost loans provided by the \$2 billion — but they will not get the special treatment afforded to conservation projects.

On the other hand, many



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planners agreed that rainwater harvesting projects and brush control practices, which could include removing waterintensive plants like cedar and mesquite, should qualify under the "conservation and reuse" category. There was also broad support for addressing water loss from treatment plants and pipelines.

Beyond defining "conservation and reuse," there are a few other legal issues that could further complicate reserving 20 percent of the funds for that purpose.

Jeff Leuschel, a Dallas lawyer who specializes in public finance law, said the phrasing of the landmark water legislation passed last session leaves some room for interpretation. The statute saying the water board "shall undertake to apply" not less than 20 percent of funds for conservation and reuse leaves a lot of wiggle room for the water board.

"The words in the statute are interesting to a lawyer," Leuschel said at a recent University of Texas panel on water funding. "The 'shall undertake to apply' aspect essentially means to try. What will happen if you fail?" Some environmental groups that fought hard for that portion of the law also have that concern, and fear that there is no real requirement to reserve any funds for conservation in the law — only a suggestion.

The Water Development Board's chairman, Carlos Rubinstein, disagreed. He said he intends for at least 20 percent of the funds to go toward conservation and reuse, if not more.

"Conservation is a critical strategy for protecting the state's water supplies," Rubinstein said. "I read the language ... regarding the 20 percent set aside for conservation and

reuse as a floor, not a ceiling."

Reuse projects, which reclaim and treat wastewater to industrial or drinking standards, are also expensive, raising concerns that they would take up a large portion or even all of the funding reserved for conservation and reuse.

"The whole 20 percent could be used for reuse projects," said Mary Kelly, an Austin-based environmental lawyer and consultant. "But I hope that is not the case, because there's a lot that can be done with efficiency and reduction loss projects that don't qualify as reuse."

Kelly said the greatest risk with administering a \$2 billion fund is that it is appealing for the board to invest in big projects because of mounting political pressure to do something big and flashy. That could tie up a large amount of money in long-term projects that won't be executed until several years, or even decades, from now failing to address current water needs and potentially even discouraging water conservation.

"The underlying goal should be to use the money to efficiently address real, not paper demands," Kelly said.

In some cases, the funds could be used for unconventional purposes. For instance, cities have spent millions of dollars on public education campaigns to encourage residents to conserve water. Robert Mace, deputy executive administrator at the Texas Water Development Board, said such campaigns would also be eligible to qualify for funding as long as they are part of a strategy in the state water plan and there is a political subdivision, like a county or a city, that could apply for and ultimately spend the money.

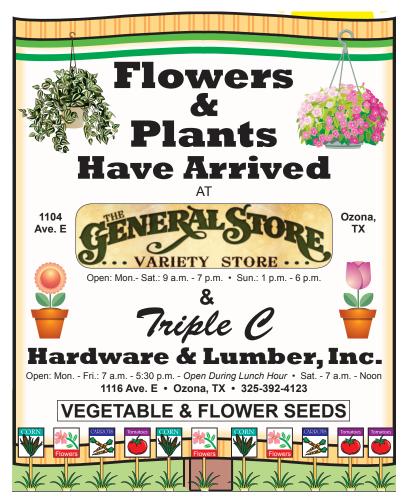
Fraser said that state lawmakers meant for the money to be spent on water resource projects rather than measures like public education campaigns, but "if the board decides to include it, I'll be supportive of it."

Carole Baker, executive director at the Texas Water Foundation, said that on top of those types of solutions, consumer-side efficiency technologies — like low-flow toilet or efficient showerhead distribution programs — should be considered "conservation," and they should be able to receive funding.

"We should encourage people to think outside the box and see how technology could open their minds to new ways of water conservation," Baker said.

Mace said the board would strongly encourage the implementation of such technology. Many Texas cities, like as San Antonio, have long had success in reducing residential water use by giving people rebates for water-efficient appliances.

The Texas Water Development Board will come up with draft rules for spending the Proposition 6 water funds by June 2014. After that, the public will have several months to weigh in.





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Lions run in Sonora Relays

The Ozona Lions competed in the Sonora Relays on March 15.

VARSITY BOYS

Team Totals - 1. Wall 167; 2. Sonora 120; 3. Iraan 76; 4. Crane 52; 5. Ozona 46; 6. Grape Creek 43.

Discus - 6. Evan Raymond, 109-6.5

Triple Jump - 3. Bryce Gutierrez, 39-5.75

3200-meter run - 1. Omero Rodriguez, 10:11.31; 5. Alex Hopper, 10:58.78; 6. Adrian Rodriguez, 11:11.41 800-meter dash - 4. Guti-

errez, 2:11.62 800-meter relay - 5. Ryan Porras, Ricky Porras, Daniel Gonzales, Juan Rodriguez, 1:37.11 200-meter dash - 3. Ryan

Porras, 23.41 1600-meter run - 1. Ro-

driguez, 4:40.79 1600-meter relay - 6. Ryan Porras, Ricky Porras, Gonzales and Rodriguez, 3:50.61

JV BOYS

Discus - 6. Johnny Venegas, 94-3

High Jump - 5. Noe Medina, 5-0

3200-meter run - 1. Medina, 11:42

1600-meter run - 1. Medina, 5:16.81

Also competing: Chris Cantu, Hazael Damian, Garry Held and Bryce Martin.



CHRIS CANTU | THE OZONA STOCKMAN



OMERO RODRIGUEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN
CHRIS CANTU SPRINTS AWAY FROM THE BLOCKS at the Sonora Relays.

OES Students of the Week







Natalie Rodriguez

Lions pounce 'Jackets, Cranes

The Ozona Lions Baseball Team shutout Menard, 11-0, in their first district game last week.

Pitching – Aiden Fierro; Catching – Tommy Fay

The Lions jumped out to an early lead on Menard with five runs in the first inning.

A two-run double by Junior Chase DeHoyos, a groundout by Fay and a tworun single by Senior Emilio Mendez got the Lions rolling.

Senior Saul Vargas racked up two RBIs on two hits for the Lions. He singled in the fourth inning and tripled in the fifth inning.

Fierro dominated the mound with 10 strikeouts. The freshman pitcher tossed five innings of shutout ball

and allowed only two hits.

The Lions defeat

The Lions defeated Crane, 7-2, in a non-district game on March 10.

Pitching – DeHoyos; Catching – Fay

DeHoyos led the way against Crane by giving up only two hits while striking out 12 Golden Cranes.

"He had his best pitching performance this year," said Coach Ray Talamantes.

Offensively, the Lions were able to capitalize on Crane's five first inning errors scoring four runs.

"This was a good win for us going into district play," Talamantes said.

Ozona will face Eldorado at 5 p.m. Friday at the OHS Baseball Field.

Lady Lions compete in Sonora Relays The Ozona Lady Lions Long Jump - 4. Childress,

The Ozona Lady Lions competed in the Sonora Relays on March 15.

VARSITY GIRLS

Team Totals - 1. Wall 102; 2. Grape Creek 84; 3. Iraan 80; 4. Ozona 70; 5. Alpine 68; 6. McCamey 37; 7. Rocksprings 34; 8. Sonora 29; 9. Sanderson 26; 10. Brackett 24; 11. Comfort 21; 12. Christoval 17; 13. Crane 12; 14. Eldorado 10; 15. Comstock 6.

Discus - 2. Vivian Medina, 99-feet, 6 inches

Triple Jump - 3. Alyssa Newlin, 30-8.5; 4. Madison Childress, 30-3 and 5. Madison Galindo, 29-2.75

High Jump - 1. McKenna Moses, 5-0. Long Jump - 4. Childress, 15-3.25; 6. Newlin, 14-9.5 Pole Vault - 1. Moses, 10-0

Shot Put - 5. Samantha De La Garza, 30-0

3200-meter run - 4. Gabby Treto, 13:20.66

800-meter dash - 6. Lexi Poindexter, 2:36.75

100-meter dash - 3. Newlin, 13.84; 4. Cameron Rutherford, 13.84

800-meter relay - 6. Ozona, 1:59.11

400-meter dash - 6. Chil-

dress, 1:08.09 300-meter hurdles - 4.

Moses, 52.08 200-meter dash - 6. Chil-

dress, 28.81



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN

TOMMY FAY IS SAFE AT HOME in the Ozona Lions 7-2 victory over Crane

Warch 10. OHS Student



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN PRESTON McCUTCHEON races to home plate in the Lions March 10 win over Crane.

OHS Student of the Week

Youth Center Calendar of Events

Jeremy Munoz

7TH & 8TH GRADE: Tuesday: 7-10 p.m.;

Wednesday: 7-10 p.m.; Wednesday: 2-7 p.m.; Saturday: 7-10 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL:

Monday: 7-10 p.m.; Tuesday: 2-7 p.m.; Wednesday: 7-10 p.m.; Thursday: 2-10 p.m.; Friday: 2 p.m.-midnight and Saturday: 2-7 p.m.

CLOSED SUNDAYS

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

7TH AND 8TH MEAL NIGHTS: Every other Tuesday 7-10 p.m.



CHRIS CANTU | THE OZONA STOCKMAN

McKENNA MOSES clears 10' to win the pole vault at the Sonora Relays.

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OHS Honor Roll, **Perfect Attendance**

OHS FOURTH SIX WEEKS HONOR ROLL A HONOR ROLL

Freshmen – Asia Lara, Julie Marshall and Carissa Perez

Sophomores – Alex Hopper, Bryce Martin, McKenna Moses, Jeremy Munoz, Estefania Torralba and Kevin Villarreal

Juniors - Katherine Bricken, Bryce Gutierrez, Jadie Marshall, Alan Salazar and Dalan Wilson

Seniors - Lorenzo Hernandez, Desiree Marshall, Vivian Medina, Lexi Poindexter, Sierra Stokes and Ashley Tandy

A-B HONOR ROLL

Freshmen - Mirella Cervantes, Thomas Cruz, Edgar Damian, Zachary Dockal, Michael Fay, Madison Galindo, Garry Held, Maiah Jurado, Jennifer Lewis, Kamryn Lozano, Timothy Maldonado, Rachel Mendoza, Sidney Perez, Everett Raymond, Elizabeth Rodriguez, Kelly Sewell and Dacie Taylor

Sophomores - Kimberly Borrego, Daisy Cantu, Madison Childress, Travis Gunnels, Dakota Lee, Lauren Miles, Jose Ojeda, Alondra Rodriguez, Dulce Rodriguez and Walker Whitten

Juniors – Justice Adkins, Angel Aguilar, Megan Bullard, Michelle Delgado, Kaylenn Elston, Pablo Flores, Chellil Gonzales-Longoria, Bethany Martinez, Evan Parker, Ricky Porras, Ryan Porras, Jon Rodriguez and Nathaniel Valdes

Seniors - Jonatan Arredondo, Chris Cantu, Abelika Estrada, Daisy Guerra, Sydney Mendoza, Nicole Munoz, Abby Newton, Evan Raymond, Lazarae Rodriguez, Michael Vargas and Saul Vargas

OHS FOURTH SIX WEEKS PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Freshmen - Luis De La Rosa, Cora Harrison, Garry Held, Maiah Jurado, Timothy Maldonado, Julie Marshall, Jose Martinez, Amery Robison, Alberto Rodriguez, Pricila Rodriguez and Cameron Ruther-

Sophomores - Kimberly Borrego, Daisy Cantu, Yareli De La Rosa, Dalton Gunnels, Travis Gunnels, Jeremy Munoz, Alyssa Newlin, Alondra Rodriguez and Caleb

Juniors - Bryce Gutierrez, Michael Hill, Jadie Marshall, Gabriella Martinez, Christian Ozoria, Joshua Porras, Jon Rodriguez and Dalan

Seniors - Hazael Damian, Nicole Higgins, Ascencion Juarez, Abby Newton, Deep Patel, Sierra Stokes, Ashley Tandy and Saul

OES Honor Roll

OES FOURTH SIX WEEKS HONOR ROLL A HONOR ROLL

First Grade - Sebastian Camarillo, Alexandrea Cervantes, Micheal Daniels, Serena Diehl, Dennis Dunaway, Natalia Lariza Flores, Corey Galindo, Zury Hernandez, Jakob Little, Kailyn Longoria, Maddac Luna, Delaney McGee, Blayk Mitchell, Angelina Pace, Jezebel Ramirez, Moses Ramirez, Lanev Sullivan, Sienna Tatum, Tristyn Timms and Exander Whitby

Second Grade - Jesus Aranda-Avila, Claire Bean, Bernardo Blanco, Grant Childress, Sara Childress, Seth Childress, Emma Crenwelge, Mia Cruz, Mia Davidson, Salomon Duron, Asa Forehand, Patrick Hensely, William Keesee, McKenna Luckie, Cameran Ochoa, Kailyn Preddy, Faith Quiroz, Alexis Scroggins, Audrey Upham, Alyssa Vargas, Kaitlyn Venegas and Mariah

Third Grade - Victoria Nowell, Charli Oglesby and Logan Thomp-

Fourth Grade - Monserrat Blanco, Roxana Camarillo-Mares, Bryce Gray, Sydney Knaack, Jason Lopez, Sebastian Talamantes, Kolton Thompson and Krysten

Fifth Grade - Carson Childress, Ethan Criswell, Jose Munoz and Catherine Perez

A-B HONOR ROLL

First Grade - Hillary Mashay Alvarez, Maria Aranda, Kurt Bean, Macailee Renae Blanco, Rico Capetillo, Rogelio Capetillo, Adriano Carrillo, Domenic Chila, Kyson Davis, Savannah De La Cruz, Adrienne Delgado, Ysabella Esparza, Kaidence Hernandez, Yulissa Lopez, Yesenia Mendez, Luke Puckett, Perfecto Quiroz, Vania Ramirez, Mireya Rivera, Bayleigh Tinney and Evelyn Yeager

Second Grade - Lauren Albers, Jack De La Garza, Esmeralda Fraga Mata, Ashlyn Gomez, Jacob Guajardo, Brylee Gutierrez, Miguel Angel Hernandez, Daana Juarez, Jonessa Jurado, Callie Martinez, Jayelin Mendoza, Laramie Nowell, Allisandra Perez, Cora Perez, Nicholas Ramon, Michael Smith, Frank Sorrel, Evelin Yuridia Soto, Rigoberto Treto, Alfonso Valdes, Nikolas Villarreal, Ryan Williams and Jaxon Yeager

Third Grade - James Aguirre, Levi Bishop, Ivey Campos Rodriguez, Noah Contreras, Chance Criswell, Rianna DeLaRosa, Maximus Duran, Jonovan Jurado, Skylar Lacy, Alexa Lara, Jadon Martinez, Zachary Pena, Jarryn Puckett, Desteny Quaid, Annissa Ramos Gregory, Kattie Rodriguez, Hailey Salinas, Elyssa Trujillo and Hailey Vargas

Fourth Grade - Carlos Cantu, Esperanza Castillo, Noah Escamilla, Ethan Gonzalez, Daniel Hernandez, Kayleigh Hernandez, Adam Hopper, MaryJane Macias, Makayleigh Martinez, Brianna Maskill, Mysti Mata Zapata, Jacqueline Medina, Amber Moran, Allyson Ortiz-Gaige and Genesis Venegas

Fifth Grade - Lianna Blanco, Madison Castro, Michael Esparza, Shelbie Galindo, Jorge Garcia Molina, Reaghan Gonzalez, Alondra Hernandez, Ian Hernandez, Ida Perez, Ida Rodriguez, Kayleigh Thomas and Jacquline Venegas



DAISY AND CHRIS CANTU won first place with their original song demo in the annual Digital Arts Festival held Friday, March 7, at South Plains College. Chris also won first place in photography.

OMS Honor Roll

FOURTH SIX WEEKS HONOR ROLL A HONOR ROLL

Sixth Grade - Sebastian De La Cruz, Kayla Sarabia, Humberto Torralba and Manuel Torralba

Seventh Grade - Chantz Elliott, Ivana Hernandez, Josh Knaack and **Coulter McWilliams**

Eighth Grade - Kassidy Gonzalez, Brenna Hale and Samantha Torralba

A-B HONOR ROLL

Sixth Grade - Raelee Borrego, Citalli Cano, Esmeralda Castillo, Jacob Childress, Jaden Fay, Aiden Fuentes, Amber Fuentes, Georgina Garcia, Desiree Gruben, Braeden Gutierrez, Cameron Harrison, Osiel Hernandez, Alec Lara, Marco LozaMendez, Alexandra Montgomery, Carlie Ramos, Juan Rivera, Kristy Rodriguez, Lazaro Rodriguez, Joe Salas, Kendra Sarabia, Kaitlyn Tambunga, Tyler Webb, Adrian Whitby and Justin Yeager

Seventh Grade - Jacqueline Guerra, Austin Hokit, David Landin, Isaura Lopez, Marisol Medina, Jesus Mosqueda, Adalyne Nehus, Yasmin Ojeda, Kameron Ortiz, Ebony Ramirez, Esperanza Ramirez, Shellbie Rust, Christian Valdes, Paige Villarreal and Riley Williams

Eighth Grade - Josae Coy, Juan Esparza, Sara Gunnels, Andy Hernandez, Brandon Jara, Murray Logan, Caleb Martinez, Toni Parker, Kaelan Savala, Hunter Smith, Autumn Villarreal and Christian Yruegas

Card of Thanks

The Ozona Elementary School would like to thank the following volunteers who took time to come and read to our children: Kayla Davidson, Betsy Nanny, Susan Williams, Dena and David Porter, Melissa Perner, Margaret Longoria, Sara Tandy, Erica Venegas, Julia Henderson and Barbie Myers. We also would like to Thank our community people and businesses that donated money and books for this event: Susan Williams, Betsy Nanny, Kayla Davidson, Cheryl Bricken, The Ozona Stockman, Crockett County Public Library, Crockett Automotive and Ozona Mercantile.

THE OMS MISC KIDS are conducting a campaign this week promoting Texas Tobacco Free Kids Day. These 67 shoes, placed outside Ozona Middle School Monday, represent the 67 Texans that die each day from their own tobacco use. Each day this week, the number 67 will be represented in some way at OMS. The funding for the week comes from a \$500 grant the students won at the Fort Davis Leadership Summit last month by making a tobacco free video. All OMS students will be asked to sign a tobacco free pledge Friday.



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College board announces major SAT changes

BY REEVE HAMILTON **TEXAS TRIBUNE**

The SAT, a standardized test that for many students is an intimidating hurdle to clear en route to college admissions, is about to undergo a major redesign.

Among the changes being announced by the College Board in Austin earlier this month: The test will revert to a 1,600-point scale, and the essay portion will be optional and scored separately.

According to the Texas Education Agency, more than 182,000 Texas public high school students took the SAT, the ACT (another test used in college admissions developed by ACT Inc.) or both exams in 2011, the most recent year for which data is available. That total represents nearly 69 percent of all public high school graduates in Texas.

David Coleman, the president of the College Board, the nonprofit that develops and publishes the test each year, said in remarks provided to The Texas Tribune ahead of the announcement that such standardized tests can create "unproductive anxiety" for students and lead to expensive private test prep and coaching that "reinforces privilege rather than merit."

"It is time to admit that the SAT and ACT have become disconnected from the work of our high schools," he said.

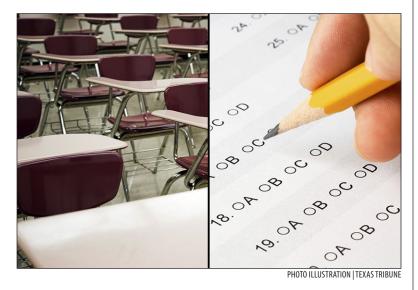
2005, the College Board added an essay section to the SAT, taking it from a 1,600-point scale to a 2,400-point scale. In his prepared remarks, Coleman said that "a single brief timed essay has not historically proved predictive of college success."

Among the many changes that will take effect in 2016, the essay portion will be optional and scored separately, and the SAT will revert to a 1,600-point scale. The decision of whether to require the essay will be left to individual colleges and school districts. Coleman said quality writing would still be emphasized on the test in the reading and writing section, though it would be more evidencebased and require students to support their answers.

new emphasis on testing commonly used vocabulary words whose meanings depend on context.

"Today, when we say that someone has used an SAT word, it often means a word you have not heard before

Antonio Vasquez



and are not likely to soon hear more than 72 percent. Along again," Coleman said in his prepared remarks. "The redesigned SAT will instead focus on words students will use over and over again, that open up worlds to them.'

In the reading section, students can expect an added emphasis on passages from scientific and historical sources, including a guarantee that each exam will include a passage from one of the country's founding documents or from what Coleman called "the great global conversation." He cited addresses given by Abraham Lincoln, Dwight D. Eisenhower and Martin Luther King Jr. as possible sources.

The math portion of the test will now include a portion in which calculators, which are currently permitted for the whole section, are prohibited. It will also focus on narrower topics — described in a College Board press release as "problem solving and data analysis; the heart of algebra; and passport to advanced math" — that Coleman suggested will most contribute to a student's college and career readiness.

"No longer will the SAT only have disconnected problems or tricky situations students won't likely see again," ne saia.

Additional changes include offering the test in a digital form, as well as on paper, and a new scoring system that does not deduct points for incorrect responses. Currently, students lose a quarter of a point for wrong answers, but no points for omitted responses.

Moving forward, they will Other changes include a simply receive credit for correct answers.

> According to TEA data, the participation rate in SAT or ACT testing for economically disadvantaged students in Texas was less than 60 percent in 2011. For non-disadvantaged students, it was

with the upcoming tweaks to the test, the College Board also announced new policies that will seek to address such inequities nationwide.

In an effort to level the playing field heading into the day of the exam, the College Board has partnered with Khan Academy, which provides free online educational videos, to make test preparation materials available for free online.

Another plan, Coleman said, stemmed from the realization that most students in the lowest income quartile who perform well on the SAT still do not apply to selective colleges. The College Board is committing to offering every income-eligible student who takes the SAT — regardless of performance — four waivers for college admission fees.

We do not want to slow students down," he said. "We want to propel them forward."

Coleman also announced that the College Board is launching a prize program for the best student analytical writing, as well as a partnership with The Atlantic to publish the prizewinners' work. Coleman conducted an interview with Lyndon B. Johnson biographer Robert Caro on the topic of analytical writing earlier in the day at the SX-SWedu festival in Austin. Caro was expected to be on hand for the announcement, as was Sal Khan, the founder of Khan Academy.

The complete details on the new exam and sample test items are expected to be released on April 16.





OZONA'S CACY SAVALA (top) shows off her Tejano Music Award during Fan Fair in San Antonio this past weekend. Savala won the award for Best New Female Artist. Savala also signed autographs and sold copies of her first solo album "El Nuevo Comienzo."



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Lesser prairie-chicken landowner agreements reach record

AUSTIN – Eighty-four Texas ranchers in the Panhandle and Rolling Plains have voluntarily enrolled 614,250 acres in conservation agreements for the lesser prairiechicken, marking one of the largest private landowner commitment to conserve a rare species in Texas history.

This comes as the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service mulls whether to list the bird under the Endangered Species Act, a decision expected by March 31.

Back in November 2006, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department signed a Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances (CCAA) with the federal wildlife agency. At the time, the bird was a candidate for listing. Yet for several years after the agreement was developed, few landowners signed on. Then, after the US-FWS proposed listing the bird as threatened in late 2012, enrollment surged.

By undertaking voluntary conservation measures on their property under the agreement, landowners are assured that no further land use restrictions or conditions will be required from them if the lesser prairie-chicken is ultimately listed. In return, landowners undertake conservation actions such as brush control, grazing management, prescribed burning, and allowing periodic monitoring on their property.

Department biologists also said the improvement in rangeland health that results from CCAA management also benefits cattle operations with conservative stocking rates that ensure good plant health, productivity, and a cushion in an unpredictable weather environment.

For more information, email Calvin Richardson, calvin.richardson@tpwd.texas. gov or call (806) 651-3014.

Number of farms

	2007	2012	Percent change
Number of farms (U.S.)	2,204,792	2,109,363	-4.3
Number of farms (Texas)	247,437	248,810	0.6

Market value of products sold

U.S.		
Total market value of agricultural products	\$297.2 billion	\$394.6 billion
Total market value (crops)	\$143.7 billion	\$212.4 billion
Total market value (livestock)	\$153.6 billion	\$182.2 billion
Texas		
Total market value of agricultural products	\$21 billion	\$25.4 billion
Total market value (crops)	\$6.6 billion	\$7.4 billion
Total market value (livestock)	\$14.4 billion	\$18 billion

Number of principal farm operators, by gender

	2007	2012
U.S.		
Total operators	2,204,792	2,109,363
Male operators (percent of total)	1,898,583 (86.1%)	1,821,094 (86.3%)
Female Operators (percent of total)	306,209 (13.9%)	288,269 (13.7%)
Texas		
Total operators	247,437	248,810
Male operators (percent of total)	212,426 (85.6%)	210,359 (84.5%)
Female operators (percent of total)	35,011 (14.1%)	38,451 (15.5%)

Number of principal farm operators of Spanish, Hispanic or Latino origin

	2007	2012	Percent change
Operators (U.S.)	55,570	67,014	20.6
Operators (Texas)	20,351	23,689	16.4

Number of principal farm operators, by race

	2007	2012
U.S.		
American Indian/Alaska native	34,706	37,857
Asian	11,214	13,699
Black/African American	30,599	33,372
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	1,356	1,468
White	2,114,325	2,012,674
More than one race	12,592	10,293
Texas		
American Indian/Alaska native	2,155	2,694
Asian	561	719
Black/African American	6,124	8,551
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	59	27
White	236,568	235,448
More than one race	1,970	1,371
	Source: 2012 Census of Agriculture Preli	ninary Report, issued February 2

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farm operators in Texas isn't surprising because of increased participation among women in agriculture and because more women are being left in charge of farms after their husbands die.

"Such a large percentage of farm women end up managing the operation simply because women live longer,' said Johnson, the Texas coordinator for Annie's Project, a series of classes that teach women about farm management. (The next series begins in April in Georgetown.)

The average age of farmers has been increasing for years. It was higher in Texas in 2012 than in the nation as a whole - 60, compared with 58 for the country.

Across the country and in Texas, women farmers are a minority. Fourteen percent of U.S. farms in 2012 had principal operators who were women, a percentage that has not changed since 2007. The percentage of farms in Texas with female principal operators increased from 14 percent to 15 percent during that same period.

The number of white farmers declined in Texas and in the United States between 2007 and 2012, while the number of Hispanic, Asian and black farmers increased.

The data released so far also shows that in both Tex-

as and the nation, farmers in all demographic groups saw a significant increase in income, on average, despite record drought conditions in Texas. The market value of all crops sold in Texas jumped from \$21.1 billion in 2007 to \$25 billion in 2012; for livestock in particular, the market value increased from \$14.4 billion in 2007 to \$18 billion in 2012, even though the drought caused Texas to lose some 15 percent of its cattle herd between January 2011 and January 2013.

Carmen Fenton, spokeswoman for the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, said cattle prices rose in Texas because many ranchers sold off large portions of their herd and supply diminished. Many Texas food businesses are still dealing with record-high beef prices, although ranchers are beginning to build their herds again as the drought's impact has lessened, from affecting nearly all of Texas to just about half the state.

The preliminary report included demographic information on principal farm operators, but not on other farm operators. That information will be included with the release of the final report, which is expected in May. Data will also be released for each individual county in Texas and other states.

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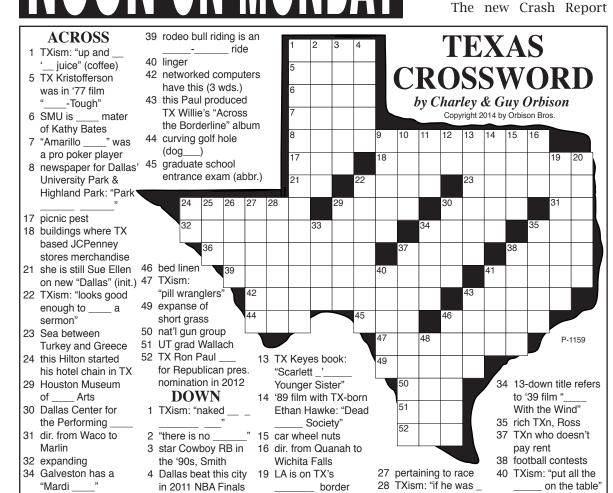
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Sheriff Bob Rodriguez issues appeal to citizens in fight against crime

Responding to the increased number of citizens wanting to assist law enforcement officials and build a stronger partnership in the fight against crime, Sheriff Bob Rodriguez today announced that Crockett Countv Citizens are being invited to become Associate Members of the Sheriffs' Association of Texas.

Membership invitations will go out in the mail over the next several weeks.

Associate Member funding allows the Sheriffs' Association of Texas to provide critical training, technical resources, and legislative support on key criminal justice issues to law enforcement officers across the state.

In addition, dues will be used to support crime prevention and awareness programs, promote public safety, fight drug abuse, provide additional training for sheriffs and their deputies, and provide scholarships for children of law enforcement officers.

Contributions to the Sheriffs' Association of Texas are tax-deductible.

"The Associate Membership Drive helps provide the funding which is vital to our mission of making our communities safer places to live, work and play," said Sheriff Rodriguez.

The Associate Membership Program was created to provide citizens with an opportunity to lend their sup-

AUSTIN — The Texas De-

partment of Transportation

today announced the launch

of a new Web-based Crash Re-

port Online Purchase System

that allows the public to im-

mediately access vehicle crash

reports. Filed with TxDOT by

these reports often are re-

quested by individuals seek-

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new system and its ability to

provide these reports quickly

to the public," said Carol Raw-

son, TxDOT director of traffic

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people often have a real need

to obtain a crash report quick-

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port to more effective law enforcement and to better help local sheriffs protect the lives and property of citizens.

"During these economic times, the need for building stronger public-private law enforcement partnerships continues to escalate, and programs such as this continue to grow in importance," said Sheriff Rodriguez. "I encourage every citizen receiving a membership appeal to consider joining forces with us by becoming an Associate

Member. It is a valuable investment in our future."

Citizens not receiving a membership appeal or desiring more information can contact the Sheriffs' Association of Texas at: 1601 S. IH-35, Austin, Texas 78741 or at www.txsheriffs.org

Founded in 1874, the Sheriffs' Association of Texas is a 501(c)(3) non-profit professional and educational organization dedicated to the preservation of peace and the protection of the lives and property of the citizens of Texas. Mr. Steve M. Westbrook serves as the Executive Director. Headquarters are located in Austin, Texas.

The Sheriffs' Association of Texas does not make solicitations by telephone. If you receive a phone call from someone who uses the Sheriffs' Association of Texas name, please report it to your local sheriff or county/district attorney.

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about the incident. Using the

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person can enter the required

information, search for the

crash report, pay the \$6-\$8 fee

online and then download a

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and mail the request to TxDOT.

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• Citizen at 500 block of Circle Drive filed a "forgery" report unknown person(s). 3-14-14

· Company manager filed an unauthorized use of a motor vehicle report upon discovery of unknown person(s) taking a vehicle from a business location on Taylor Box Road.

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• A citizen filed for emergency detention of family member. Sheriff's office conducted the transfer of the person to M.H.M.R. in San

Arrest Report: March 11-18

• Martin Gonzalez Holguin, of Wink, Texas was transferred from the Texas Correctional Facility in Abilene to Ozona for outstanding district warrants. Subject remains in custody pending transfer back to Abilene.

· Romulo Arturo Lozano Jr., of Ozona, was arrested by sheriff's office with a parole violation warrant. He remains in custody pending transfer to a Texas Correctional Facility. 3-13-14

· Alan Cruz, of Ozona, was arrested by sheriff's office for outstanding warrants from Glasscock County. He posted bonds and was re-

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• Samuel Ray Adame, of Humble, Texas, arrested by DPS for outstanding warrants from Harris and Montgomery counties. He remains in custody at Sutton County.

• Chelsey Rene West, of Ozona, arrested by sheriff's office for possession of drug paraphernailia. She paid fines and was released.

· Westley Wade Smith, of Ozona, arrested by sheriff's office for possession of control substance and possession of prohibited weapon. He remains in custody.

• Moses Rodriguez Coy Jr., of Ozona, arrested by sheriff's offfice for public intoxication. He paid fines and was released.

· Hector Mario Luevanos, of Humble, Texas, arrested by DPS for outstanding warrant from Harris County. He posted bond and was released. 3-16-14

· Kenneth Ray Foster, of Henderson, Texas, arrested by sheriff's office for driving while intoxicated. He posted bonds and was re-

· Salvador Lux Sapalu, of Jacksonville, Texas, arrested by sheriff's office for public intoxication. He paid fines and was released.

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TAX REVENUE INCREASES State sales tax revenue in

February was \$2.2 billion, up 5.8 percent compared to February 2013, State Comptroller Susan Combs said last week. "Sales tax revenue continues its growth streak and has now increased for 47 consecutive months," Combs said. "Growth in tax collections was seen across all major economic sectors including oil and gas, wholesale trade and the services sector."

Combs said the state would send cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts their March local sales tax allocations totaling \$553 million, up 4.1 percent compared to March 2013.

PROTECTION RULING TO COME

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is proposing to protect the lesser prairie-chicken as threatened under the Endangered Species Act and a ruling on the bird's status is expected March 30.

The bird's Texas habitat includes short grass and mixed grass prairies in 24 counties of the Panhandle

region, where energy companies have interests.

A lesser prairie-chicken advisory committee that first met in February 2010 produced a list of recommendations, and one was that industries operating in lesser prairie-chicken habitat develop best management practices to minimize

Many oil and gas companies responded, saying they voluntarily would enroll acreage in a habitat conservation plan for the bird.

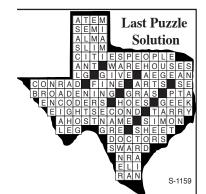
In 2012, a conservation compromise was struck between the State of Texas and the federal government over the listing and proposed protection of the dune sagebrush lizard and its West Texas shinnery oak dunes habitat where oil, gas and wind energy development operations are sited.

DWI ENFORCEMENT STEPS UP

Texas Department of Public Safety on March 6 announced a planned increase of DWI patrols, before, during and after spring break, running from March 7 to March 23.

For the duration of the enforcement period, state troopers' focus has been on "high-risk locations" at times when alcohol-related crashes are most frequent. During last year's spring

break enforcement period, the agency reported, more than 1,000 DWI arrests with enforcement also were made, resulting in more than 11,400 speeding citations, 1,600 seat belt/child safety seat tickets, 552 fugitive arrests and 463 felony arrests during the period.



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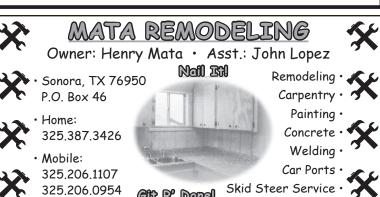
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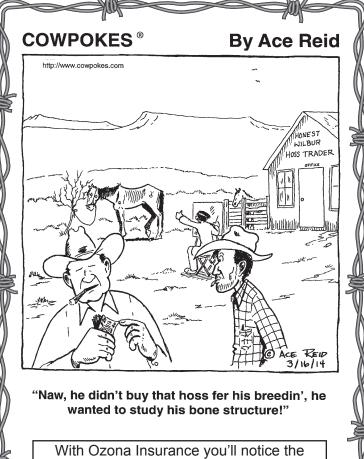
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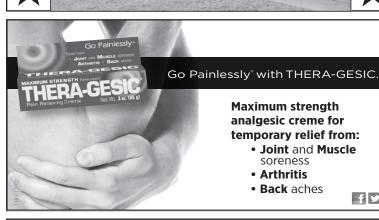
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All burns shall be reported to the Crockett County Sheriff's Office (325) 392-2661 and the Fire Chief (325) 392-2626 prior to commencing, together with the name of the landowner, location involved and expert to be on hand. This Order does NOT prohibit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

ADOPTED this the 10th day of March, 2014

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