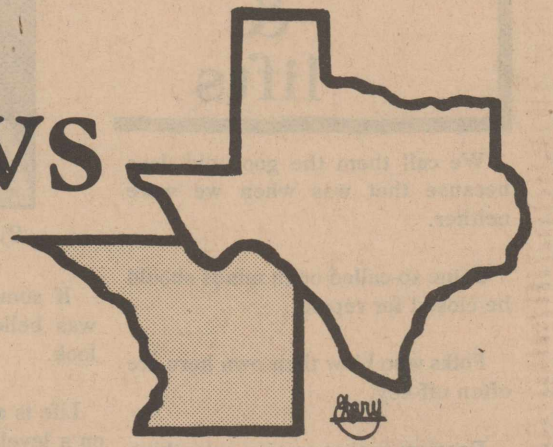


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Reagor lamb takes championship

The results of months of work were on display Friday and Saturday at the 39th Annual Crockett County 4-H Livestock Show and Sale. Some 72 4-H members exhibited 312 lambs, 60 commercial angora doe kids and four steers in the County Show Barn. Good weather brought out a large crowd of exhibitors, parents, guests and buyers for the show, barbecue and sale.

Julie Reagor exhibited the grand champion finewool lamb which was bred by Pancho McMullan. Julie received a silver buckle from Ozona Wool and Mohair Company and \$1000 from Ozona National Bank in the premium sale.

The grand champion finewool cross lamb was exhibited by Sharon McCrohan. The lamb was bred by Bud Cox. Sharon received a silver buckle from Ozona National Bank and \$1000 from Crockett County National Bank in the premium sale.

Exhibitor of the champion steer was Vickie Reagor. The steer was bred by Norman Crenwelge of Llano. She received a silver buckle from Buttery Motor Company and \$750 in the premium sale from Wool Growers and Stockman Credit Corp. She also received the steer showmanship buckle from Tom Cameron.

Whitney Vannoy exhibited the champion angora doe kid and the champion pair of doe kids. These goats were bred by Bob Childress. She received a silver buckle from Bob Childress and a trophy from Nathan's Jewelers. She also received a trophy for third place elementary showman from Nathan's.

Jena Allen exhibited the reserve champion finewool lamb. The lamb was bred by Tony Allen. She received a silver buckle from Mayfield Construction and \$750 in premium sale from Chesley McDonald.

Connie Everett exhibited the reserve champion finewool cross and received reserve senior showmanship. She received buckles from Ted and Jessie White and Federal Land Bank. She received \$500 in premium money from Nathan's Jewelers.

Tamie Reagor exhibited reserve champion steer. The hereford steer was bred by Granite Hills Hereford Ranch. She received a silver buckle from Ozona Boot and Saddlery and \$500 from J. Cleo Thompson in the premium sale.

Terry House exhibited the reserve champion commercial doe kid. She was bred by Sam Perner. He received a silver buckle from Ozona VFW. He also won reserve elementary showman and received a buckle from Pon Seahorn.

Adrienne Dickerson exhibited the reserve champion pair of doe kids. These kids were bred by West Ranch Company. She received a trophy from Nathan's Jewelers.

Ken Cook, district Extension agent from San Angelo, judged

steers and lambs. Hayden Haby from Uvalde judged the goats, and Alan McWilliams, Crane County Extension agent, judged showmanship and first year feeders' award.

Donnie Laughlin was the auctioneer for the premium sale. Buyers for the show were: Ozona National Bank, Crockett County National Bank, Wool Growers and Stockman's Credit Corp., Chelsey McDonald, Nathan's Jewelers, J. Cleo Thompson, South Texas Lumber, Buttery Motor Co., OJB Corp., George Bunker, Iraan Motor Co., Charlie's Place, Robert McKlesky, Mayfield and Williams, Circle Bar Truck Corral, Circle Bar T.V., White and Zesch Insurance, Mid West Feed Yards, Ozona Wool & Mohair, Ozona Butane, Charlie Davidson, Mrs. Bernice Jones, Moore Oil Co., Ozona Vet Clinic, Mitchell Ranch, Griffin Oil and Gas, Deaton Spraying, Shot's, Jerry Hayes, House Fuel, Crystelle Childress, Maxine's Flower Shop, Williams Enterprises, W. A. Childress, Nick's Chevron, Mayfield Construction, Westernman Drug, El Chato's, Tom Cameron, Baggett Insurance, I-10 Exxon, Norma Upham, Double C Enterprises, Circle Bar Restaurant, Perry Motors, Double C Enterprises, Bud Cox, Clayton's Village Drug, Frank Van Pelt, Bill Carson, S. W. Texas Electric Coop, Elizabeth Upham Insurance, Bill Carson, Perry Photography, Meadows, Fischer, and Cleere Insurance, Thornton's Supermarket, White's Auto, Rio Pecos Transport, Cahill, Inc., Gary and Shawn Mitchell, Texas Production Credit Association, El Chato's, Jessie's Tire Shop, Jeffrey and Carmen Sutton, Mason, Myers and Stokes, Brock Jones, Steve and Jodi Sessom, Tite Bishop, Wool Growers, Ozona Spray Service.

Prize donors for the Chinese auction were Watson's Department Store, \$25.00 gift certificate; Ozona National Bank, \$25.00 savings account; and Crockett County National Bank, \$25.00 savings account.

Bidders for the Chinese auction included: Janie Chandler, Federal Land Bank, Andy Smith, Hemphill Wells, West Texas Drilling, Bob Childress, Drake McKinney, Carmen Sutton, Brown Furniture, Jim Bob and Paula Bailey, Cameras Two, Jeffrey Sutton, Jim Bass Ford, Ozona Storage Co., Katherine Mayfield, Ranchmen's Wool & Mohair, Wanda Bunker, West Supply, Michael Mitchell, Century Carpet, Collett's Gun Shop, Alderman Cave, Angelo Pellets, Megan Mitchell, Julie Childress, Chandra McKinney, Stokes Drilling, Tye Mitchell, B&W Trailer, Chandler Brothers, Triple C Ranch, Maxine's Flower Shop, Dwight Childress, J. C. Schroeder, Producers Auction Co., Nancy Arrott, Tammy Arrott, Perry Hubbard, Marandy Keith, Moorman's Feed Co., Marshall Montgomery, Fred

Chandler. Stefny Sutton won the goat showmanship and received a silver buckle from the Childress Estate. The champion senior high showmanship award was won by Cody Sutton who received a silver buckle from Crockett County National Bank. Summer Shacklette won third senior high showmanship and received a trophy from Nathan's.

John Williams received a silver buckle from Jeff Sutton for champion junior high showmanship. Andy Stokes was the reserve champion junior high showmanship and was awarded a buckle from Federal Land Bank. Margaret Jones won third junior high showmanship and received a trophy from Nathan's.

The champion elementary showman was Chad Upham who received a buckle from Gary Buck Mitchell. JoLynn Vannoy won first year feeder award and received a silver buckle from Wool Growers. Martha Mayfield was the winner of first place and Marandy Keith second in the barbecue ticket sales. The show officials did a good job organizing and running off the show and sale. The sale was especially good. The premium on champion lambs averaged \$1,000 and reserve averaged \$625 with well over \$250 on the placing lambs.

The Ozona Lions Club furnished the ribbons, rosettes and banners for the show, and Amy Jones, Lions Club Sweetheart, presented them. Larry Glosson and Gary Buck Mitchell hauled the floor lambs to Producers. Pat Knight bought the floor lambs for \$64.50 per cwt.

Placings in the show follow:
Angora Doe Kid Class: 1, 10 Whitney Vannoy; 2, Terry House; 3, 5, 7 JoLynn Vannoy; 4, Stefny Sutton; 6, 8 Adrienne Dickerson; 9, Cody Sutton

Pair of Angora Goats: 1 Whitney Vannoy; 2 Adrienne Dickerson; 3 JoLynn Vannoy; 4 Terry House; 5 Stefny Sutton; 6 Cody Sutton; 7 Vickie Reagor; 8 Tamel West; 9 Tamie Reagor; 10 Trebie West

Light First Year Feeder Crossbred Class: 1, 2 JoLynn Vannoy; 3, 5 Leigh Chandler; 4 Nancy Arrott; 6 Justin Southern; 7 Chad Guerra; 8 Kellye Robinson; 9, 10 Martha Mayfield

Heavy First Year Feeder Crossbred Class: 1 JoLynn Vannoy; 2, 6 Justin Southern; 3, 5 Leigh Chandler; 4 Kellye Robinson; 7 Nancy Arrott; 8 Adrienne Dickerson; 9, 10 Michael Mitchell

Light Finewool: 1 Nancy Arrott; 2 Tammy Arrott; 3 Summer Shacklette; 4 Tess Worthington; 5 JoLynn Vannoy; 6 Misty Fowler; 7 Chandra McKinney; 8 Whitney Vannoy; 9 Sarah Pullen; 10 Shane Cooper

Middle Light Finewool: 1 Whitney Vannoy; 2, 8 Julie Reagor; 3 JoLynn Vannoy; 4, 9 Tamel West; 5, 10 Trebie West; 6 Tammy Arrott; 7 Vickie Reagor

Middle Heavy Finewool: 1 Julie Reagor; 2 Sharon McCrohan; 3 Trebie West; 4 Sharon McCrohan; 5 Marandy Keith; 6 Connie Everett; 7 Tess Worthington; 8 Brock Jones; 9 Connie Everett; 10 George Wall

Heavy Finewool: 1, 3, 5 Jena Allen; 2 Julie Reagor; 4 Tammy Arrott; 6 Connie Everett; 7 Trebie West; 8 Whitney Vannoy; 9 Margaret Jones; 10 Stefny Sutton

Light Crossbred Lambs: 1 Vickie Reagor; 2, 6 Tamie Reagor; 3 Misty Fowler; 4 Martin Childress; 5 Carri Chandler; 7 Julie Reagor; 8 Summer Shacklette; 9 Stefny Sutton; 10 Jason Montgomery

Middle Light Crossbred Lambs: 1, 2 Tammy Arrott; 3 Misty Fowler; 4 Brock Jones; 5 Carri Chandler; 6 Tamie Reagor; 7 Sharon McCrohan; 8 Whitney Vannoy; 9 Jena Allen; 10 Andy Stokes

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Heavy Crossbred Lambs: 1, 3 Sharon McCrohan; 2 Connie Everett; 4 Whitney Vannoy; 5 Carri Chandler; 6 Cody Sutton; 7 Carri Chandler; 8 Cody Morris; 9, 10 Tammy Arrott

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1986 4-H Stock Show winners are: back row, 1 to r, Margaret Jones, Tamie Reagor, Cody Sutton, Connie Everett, Julie Reagor, Jena Allen, Sharon McCrohan, Vickie Reagor; middle row, Summer Shacklette, Terry House, Whitney Vannoy, JoLynn Vannoy, Stefny Sutton, Adrienne Dickerson; front row, John Williams, Chad Upham, Martha Mayfield, Marandy Keith, Andy Stokes.

Chamber banquet January 30

The annual Ozona Chamber of Commerce Banquet will be held January 30 at 7:00 p.m. in the Civic Center. Tickets for the event are \$10.00 and can be purchased at the Chamber office. All interested persons are welcome to attend.

Outgoing directors and new directors will be presented during the evening. Guest speaker for the event will be Billie Sue Scott.

Billie Sue Scott is married to Major General Willie L. Scott, Retired Adjutant General of Texas. They

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Ybarra asks re-election

By Cynthia Harrell Hodges

George Ybarra has announced that he will seek re-election to a third three year term on the Ozona School Board of Trustees.

Ybarra, a member of the board for six years, has lived in Ozona all his life. Three of his six children, Rosemary Martinez, Becky Ybarra and Irma Ybarra, graduated from the Ozona public school system. Two children, George Ybarra, an 8th grader, and Missy Ybarra, an Ozona High School junior, are presently enrolled in the system. Two grandchildren, Melanie, a first grader, and Natalie, a pre-kindergartener, also

attend Ozona schools. "I will continue to do my best," said the 19-year employee of the Texas Highway Department. "As a member of the school board, I want to ensure that all Crockett County children get a good education and enjoy a better future."

New state laws, especially HB 72, have mandated that school districts operate with tight budgets. "We want to give pay raises but can't now."

Ybarra is married to Rosita Ybarra, a homemaker. He likes all sports and has worked with the Little League program for the last 12 years.

have two children, Aliceson Scott Gaccione who is married to Staff Sergeant Pat J. Gaccione, an Air Force Medic; and Richard White Scott, a student at Baylor University in Waco.

Mrs. Scott was born in Lamesa. At the early age of eight, her father encouraged her to learn poems and readings. He saw a talent that should be developed and during the depression years paid \$5.00 a month to the local "expression" instructor to develop this talent. This interest in speech and drama continued, and upon completing her first year in drama at Hardin-Simmons University, she was chosen to receive the Alpha Psi Omega "Most Outstanding Freshman in Drama" award. She received a BS degree from Hardin-Simmons University in speech and drama.

She met and married Willie L. Scott who enrolled in Hardin-Simmons University after World War II. Her interest in the young man on the battlefield was kindled by her husband who told her of the sacrifices friends and acquaintances had made during five of the major battles in the European Theater.

When Vietnam was disrupting the country, on a news program she witnessed young men burning the American flag and their draft cards in protest of our involvement. Her concern grew because of the lack of patriotism, and she put together a simple speech entitled "America, I Love You!". She promised herself the speech would no longer be given when it lost its effectiveness. Some eleven years later it is still the most popular speech she gives, having been acclaimed outstanding by retired Texas Supreme Court Justices Price Daniel and Zollie Steakley.

For seven years she has worked as a volunteer with the Triple I Club, a Senior Citizen group from Northwest Austin. She is a member of the Settlement Club, a club founded in 1915 to help impoverished children. Today the club houses emotionally disturbed teenagers. This year Billie

was appointed the Fund Drive Chairman, and the club has been challenged to raise \$50,000.00 to contribute to the working budget for



this year. Ninety-eight percent of all funds raised go directly back into operating the home. She is also a member of The Austin Womans Club and PEO.

Living at historical Camp Mabry, the National Guard Headquarters of Texas in Austin, inspired her to write and present to different club groups a presentation of "A Tribute". This is a small scale production giving tribute to early day Texas women who stood by and gave support to their husbands during the time when Texas was struggling for independence. The production has become popular with Austin clubs such as Daughters of the American Revolution, garden clubs, VFW Auxiliary Mid-Winter Roundup and Rotary organizations.

Since General Scott's retirement, Mrs. Scott devotes most of her time to the young people at the Settlement Home, and she hopes to expand her public speaking interest.

Water District election

Saturday, January 18, is the date for election of two directors to the Crockett County WC&ID.

J. W. Johnigan and Dennis Clark are the two candidates seeking election.

Balloting will be from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the courthouse.

Sellers asks to withdraw resignation

Henry Sellers has asked to withdraw his letter of resignation submitted last week to the Crockett County School Board.

Supt. Garland Davis is consulting with the State Attorney's Office to determine the fate of the resignation, says Sellers.

Judge Jones announces for re-election

112th District Court Judge Brock Jones filed, with the Office of the Secretary of State, documents designating his campaign treasurer and announced his intention to seek re-election as Presiding Judge of the 112th District Court, subject to the Democratic Primary to be held in May of 1986.

Jones, a former Assistant Attorney General and veteran trial judge, was appointed as Judge of the 112th District Court in April 1983 and was elected to that position in the General Election of 1984. Judge Jones is a native of Ozona, a graduate of Ozona High School, the University of Texas and the Univer-

sity of Texas School of Law. He was licensed to practice law before the Supreme Court of Texas in 1967.

Judge Jones is married to the former Camille Adams of Ozona. They have two children, Martin Brock Jones III, age 17, and Margaret Camille Adams Jones, age 13.

Snow related accidents few

All area roads remained open and there were relatively minor problems from last week's snow according to Sergeant Kenneth Hailey of the Ozona DPS.

Troopers responded to only one accident with injuries during the January 6 and 7 spell, but there were some related fender-benders.

The accident with injuries happened 21 miles west of Ozona on I-10 at 2:45 p.m. Tuesday. Johnny Miller of Del Rio lost control of the 1965 Ford van he was driving on the snow-packed roadway. The vehicle slid into the median and overturned.

Miller was uninjured, but passengers Joe Molina and William Loesch and Bobby Carter of San Antonio complained of pain and possible injuries.

Little more than an inch of snow fell in Ozona. Amounts ranging from 2.5 inches at the Jack and Janie Riggs Ranch to seven inches at the Bill Carson Ranch were reported in the area.

The NEWS now has a copy machine!

Chase ends in arrests

Two juveniles led Deputy Gene Cooper on a high speed chase south of Ozona Saturday night. Three stolen vehicles and a one vehicle rollover were involved in the escapade.

The youths allegedly arrived in Ozona in a pickup which had been stolen in Odessa. Once here, one of the pair stole a second pickup and the two headed south. The Ozona vehicle developed problems and was

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Snips, quips & lifts

We call them the good old days because that was when we were neither.

Some so-called open minds should be closed for repairs.

Folks who blow their own horn are often off-key.

Egotism is that certain something that enables a man to think he is in the groove when he is only in a rut.

While money can't buy happiness, it certainly enables you to look for it in comfort.

People who know which way the wind is blowing are seldom swept off their feet.

No man can be made a fool of unless he has suitable material.

The heaviest thing a person can carry is a grudge.

A diet is what helps a person gain weight slower.



By Lottie Lee Baker

If some skeptics thought seeing was believing, they wouldn't even look.

Life is always on a hill, and never on a level track. So that is why you can't stand still. You either climb or you slide back.

Those who don't read have no advantage over those who can't.

Enthusiasm is a good engine, but it needs an intelligent driver.

A Lift For The Week

Problems are guidelines, not stop signs.



Theodore Roosevelt was the first U.S. President to fly in a plane.

Pandale Pannings

by Jonny Johnson

The snow of last week was a repeat of last January. We had about four inches here at the house and about twice that much on the south end of the ranch. There was more toward Pandale. The snow transforms the rugged rim rocks into a winter wonderland. It looked like miles of Christmas cards. It was beautiful, to say the least.

During the snow we read "Smooth Mouths and Yearlings" by Arlene Babb. It is fun reading. Very enjoyable reading, most can relate.

Last week we had another fatal auto accident on Pandale Road. A lot

of people don't realize how dangerous that road can be.

Most everyone in our area is resting up from the hunting season, especially people who sell services to the hunters.

Millard Harrison of McKinney and Mark Stevenson of Midland were down to close their hunting lease for the season.

A few fishermen took advantage of the cool but beautiful weekend.

A yearling deer hit our van the other evening and it is now snaggle-toothed.



Over 97 percent of the tea consumed in the U.S. is black tea.

Court hears plea for child case worker

Commissioners listened to a proposal Monday which could result in a full-time child welfare worker for Crockett County. Supt. of Schools Garland Davis and Elementary Principal Walter Spiller were among those requesting consideration of a child abuse program solely for Crockett County.

Currently, Crockett, Schleicher and Sutton Counties share a case worker funded by the Department of Human Resources out of San Angelo. Fifty percent of the funding for a full-time child welfare worker, part-time clerical worker, overhead and travel expenses for Crockett County would be provided by the state, said Davis. The Crockett County School District is prepared to pay one-fourth of the total amount, leaving one-fourth needed from the county. Total budget for the child abuse program would be \$34,536 with \$25,632 earmarked for salaries, \$6,104 for overhead and \$2,800 for travel. School and county portions of the funding would be \$8,634 each.

Davis stressed the need for keeping the majority of children in school so that they learn to read and function in school now, cutting down the need for special training programs later. Supt. Davis told listeners he believed in the philosophy of "Pay now rather than pay more later."

School nurse Lou Ingram told the court that problems with children "arise on weekends, on a holiday. A lot of times I need her (caseworker Cindy Dennis) that day, that week, or right then."

Repeated contacts with families are an important part of building up trust, said Mrs. Ingram. "You have to let them know that you care, and this takes time." Many of the children she works with are suffering from neglect," said Mrs. Ingram.

Pete Garcia, Child Welfare Supervisor of San Angelo, and Bob Mehaffey of Abilene were present to answer questions from the court. If accepted, the plan can be put into effect in 30-45 days. A written agreement for county participation was given to the commissioners for study.

Office space for the case worker would have to be provided locally

with furnishings, control of telephone and supplies to come through DHR channels, Mehaffey said.

Davis stated that "in hiring, they would allow us to have input, suggestions and perhaps sit on a review panel". The school board will support the program and will act on it at the January 14 meeting.

Four members of the school board, Joe Couch, Jeffrey Sutton, Cecil Buckner and Gary Buck Mitchell were present along with the school officials. Couch briefly addressed the court on the child abuse program in his capacity as a proposed member of the Crockett County Child Welfare Board.

Rev. Richard Altenbaugh represented the Crockett County Child Welfare Board and offered the names of Joe Couch, Jesus Castro, Cecil Buckner, Gary Mitchell, Rev. Jim Gray, Esme Barrera and Alice Couch for membership approval by the court. They were not approved because the appointments were not on the agenda.

"I'm personally in favor," said Commissioner B. W. Stuart of the child abuse program plan. The court will reconvene to discuss the proposal with Judge A. O. Fields who was absent Monday to be with his wife who is recovering from surgery.

School and DRH officials have been in previous contact with Judge Fields.

A funding request for Helping Hands was made by Kathy Reavis. The meals for the elderly program is slated to begin February 3 to serve 70 persons daily. Mrs. Reavis asked for \$3,500 a month for the program "until such a time as we might apply for a grant". Cost of preparing and serving the meals is \$2.50 each, said Mrs. Reavis. Forty of the 70 persons served by the program are poverty level.

Bill Boswell, interim administrator at Crockett County Hospital reported that total cash deposits for the hospital last month were \$30,504.65 with total cash disbursements of \$76,970.00. Total patient days were 21 and percentage of occupancy was .03.

Cash deficit for 1985 was \$488,935.13. Total tax dollars used for the hospital during the year were

Library News

Stand Proud: A Texas Saga by Elmer Kelton tells the story of a once-great hero during the Civil War, a trail-blazer into Texas, an "empire builder".

Frank Claymore had been hard tested during his lifetime - in the war, against Indians and the harsh Texas frontier, and now he was facing the hardest test of his life - accused of murder. He was being called "an evil old man, a despot of the range, a cold-blooded killer". The truth was all that could save him, but Claymore was his own worst witness. A proud, unyielding man, he lashes out in anger at his petty accusers he feels have no right to try him at all.

During the trial the life story of this proud Texas man unfolds - his

triumphs and defeats, hates and loves. Before the jury can return a verdict though, an unexpected twist of fate brings this exciting tale to a climax.

Elmer Kelton is a well-known local writer. He was born on a Texas ranch, raised among cowboys and old-timers, and now lives in San Angelo. Kelton has written over 25 novels, winning many awards. Some of his award-winning titles are "The Day the Cowboys Quit", "The Time It Never Rained", "The Good Old Boys", and his latest, "The Wolf and the Buffalo" which has been chosen as one of the four Texas Sesquicentennial novels of 1986.

For more about Elmer Kelton and his work - Come Check Us Out!

Louise Ledoux, Crockett County Librarian

Garden Club holds meeting

The Ozona Garden Club met at 1:00 p.m. January 13 in the Crockett County National Bank Community Room. The hostess was Mrs. Mike Ledoux.

A lovely program entitled "Wildflowers of Crockett County" was presented by Mrs. Lee Graves.

Members present were: Mesdames Bailey Post, O. D. West, J. B. Miller, Bill Mason, Joe Bean, Lee Graves, Joey Pierce, Douglas Bean, J. W. Howell, Jim Gray and Rod Chalmers.

Mrs. Richard Berry, a guest, was also present.

Scoggin places in speech meet

Amy Beth Scoggin earned a sixth place in prose reading January 11 in a San Angelo speech meet. The OHS senior was in competition with students from 22 schools, many of

them 5-A.

Others competing from Ozona were Mark Sanchez, persuasive speaking; and Summer Shacklette, prose reading.

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Chase . . .

abandoned in a pasture about eight miles south.

The two returned to Ozona where a Mayfield Construction truck was stolen and used along with the Odessa vehicle in a game of crashing into each other. Driver of the Mayfield pickup rolled the vehicle, got out and hurriedly climbed in with his companion just as Cooper began chasing the pair.

They were apprehended, arrested and turned over to juvenile authorities in Odessa.

On Sunday night, a 27-year-old New Mexico man was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated, evading arrest and criminal mischief.

The suspect was the object of a chase by law officers in the Country Club area. In his attempt to flee, the man ran over gas tanks behind the club and then crashed his vehicle into a rock wall.

4-H HORSE CLUB

The monthly meeting of the Crockett County 4-H Horse Club will be January 18 at the Shannon Ranch. Participants are to meet at the courthouse square at 8:30 a.m. Saturday and bring a sack lunch, notebook and pen.

All members who have horses are to bring them as the group will be riding and training that day.

Dress in warm clothes.

AUXILIARY TO MEET

The Crockett County Hospital and Care Center Auxiliary will have its first meeting of 1986 Monday, January 20, at 3:00 p.m. in the Care Center Day Room. All members are urged to attend as 1986 dues are due and projects will be discussed.

Joanne Marshall will be introduced as our new activity director and needs our support.

We welcome anyone wishing to join our organization.

\$385,000.00 out of allocated tax funds totaling \$561,000.00.

Paul Shacklette appeared before the court with his completed drawings for enlargement of the cemetery. Only six lots remain available, and work on the section to be opened and access roads is expected to begin right away.

Librarian Louise Ledoux and Sherry Scott, board president, requested county assistance in leveling the yard at the library in preparation for landscaping. A sprinkler system and complete landscaping with new plants is being provided by private donation.

Circulation at the library "has dramatically increased," said Mrs. Ledoux. Total circulation at the library for 1983 was 1,730; 1,290 in 1984 and 2,519 in 1985. 750 of the books loaned in 1985 were taken out during the month of December.

Mrs. Ledoux passed around a copy of the **Library Journal Magazine** containing a photo and statistics on Crockett County Public Library. "Usually only big cities get written up in this magazine," said Mrs. Ledoux.

The name of Katharine Russell was submitted for appointment to complete a one year vacancy on the library board.

Road Department Supervisor Eddie Moore reported road damage by two drilling companies during wet weather. Bills will be sent to the firms for cost of correcting the damage.

The street sweeper and dozer are both back in use after being repaired, and the Case 1450 is currently being checked out in San Antonio, said Moore. A new low-boy trailer recently purchased by the county is now here and in use.

Purchase of a gasoline welder with generator for the Road Department maintenance trailer was approved on a motion by Stuart seconded by Jesus Castro.

Commissioners authorized Moore to purchase pipe needed for cattle-guard construction and ordered advertisements to be placed for three Road Department employees.

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Guerra service Tuesday

Pedro G. Guerra died at 2:20 p.m. Saturday, January 11, 1985 at his home. He was 21. Guerra was born August 5, 1964 in Ozona.

Funeral services were at 4:00 p.m. Tuesday at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church. Interment followed in Cedar Hill Cemetery.

Guerra is survived by two sons, Pete Guerra Reyes and Anthony

Reyes; his parents, Pedro Guerra of San Angelo and Lucy Williams of Ozona; two sisters, Mary Frances Lombra and Martha Jean Williams of Ozona; three brothers, Ray Vargas, Augustine Guerra and Noe Guerra of Ozona; two grandmothers, Mrs. Soledad Galindo and Mrs. Beatrice Vasquez of Ozona.

Services were under direction of Sizemore Funeral Home.

Pearsall rites for mother of Ozonan

Mrs. Julia Silos died at the age of 79 December 21, 1985 in San Antonio's Methodist Hospital. She was buried in the family plot in Pearsall December 23.

Mrs. Silos had been a longtime resident of Ozona and a longtime employee of Crockett County Hospital.

Survivors are a son, Manuel, and his wife, Cecilia Longoria of Ozona,

their children, Manuel III and wife Delia of Midland, Rogelio and wife Vickie of Ozona, Marisella and husband Frank Parades of Midland, Miss Leticia Longoria of Ozona and three great-grandchildren.

She is also survived by three sisters of Pearsall.

Pallbearers were Roger Gonzales, Pablo Gonzales, Manuel Longoria III, Pedro S. Gonzales, Joe S. Sifuentes Jr. and Rudy S. Davila.

Kansas service for sister of Mrs. Wilson

Daloris Carter of Norton, Kansas died January 12, 1985. Burial was Wednesday in Lucerne, Kansas. She was born in Lucerne on September 8, 1935.

She is survived by two sons, Mark and Steven Carter of Norton; one

daughter, La Donna Poage of Hoxie, Kansas; her mother, Doris Mowry of Hoxie; one brother, C. L. Mowry of Hays, Kansas; two sisters, Lorna Buehler of Hoxie, Kansas and Jeannie Wilson of Ozona; and one granddaughter.

Hospital cuts personnel

Personnel cuts at Crockett County Hospital have resulted in layoffs for nine people says Bill Boswell, interim administrator. Five nursing

personnel positions (four L.V.N.'s and director of nurses), two office personnel, one part time housekeeper and one floor staff position have been eliminated effective February 1. The hospital will be in compliance with state licensing requirements concerning nurses at all times said Boswell.

The cuts were decided at the January 9 board meeting.

The hospital will limit inpatient admissions to no more than eight patients with anything over this to be transferred to other facilities.

Attempts will be made to maintain the quality required for Medicare certification in every aspect except staffing. The nine personnel cuts will result in approximate savings of \$146,000 per year to the hospital according to Boswell.

A new Medicare/Medicaid Inpatient Admission Policy approved by the board provides that Medicare/Medicaid patients wishing to be admitted to Crockett County Hospital must be in a life threatening situation. Patients who are not in a life-threatening situation will be admitted if they assume responsibility for their own bills.

The board reviewed duties of hospital and Care Center employees with an effort being made to co-ordinate duties of personnel at both facilities.

An ECA class will be sponsored by the hospital in March. The board also agreed to work on revising the 1985 obligations.

A Border Patrol request for a site for a modular building was not acted upon as no Border Patrol personnel were present at the meeting.

Commissioner Jack Williams presided in the absence of Judge Fields.

by-laws to state that ambulance personnel must be members of the EMS organization.

One teacher and two representatives will be sent to Fire School at Texas A&M in the summer.

A list of bad debts presented to the board indicated that 27 percent of the original list had been collected. The remaining bad debts over \$1,000 will be turned over to the County Attorney and debts under that amount will be turned over to the Justice of the Peace for collection.

Reappointment applications for the entire medical staff were presented to the board for approval of 1986 staff privileges. Approval was given for R. M. Owensby, MD, Don L. Carlisle, MD, Nick Jackson, MD, Steve Galatzan, MD, Steve Sessom, D.D.S., and Joe B. Logan, D.D.S.

Board members discussed the fact that a female is sometimes needed to assist at the jail if there is a female prisoner. A motion was made and seconded to send a female from the hospital, care center or ambulance service to assist at the jail when needed.

Care Center Director Elvira Caldwell reported that a consultant will have to come once a month to train the new activity director at the Care Center. This is for a period of two years. The board voted to approve this.

Total cash deposits for the hospital for December were reported at \$30,504.65 with total cash disbursements at \$76,970.00. Total patient days were 21 with a .03 percentage of occupancy.

Cash deficit for the year was \$488,935.13. Total tax dollars used for the hospital in 1985 were \$385,000 out of allocated tax funds totaling \$561,000.

Total cash deposits for the care center in December were \$32,781.15. Total cash disbursements were \$67,430.12.

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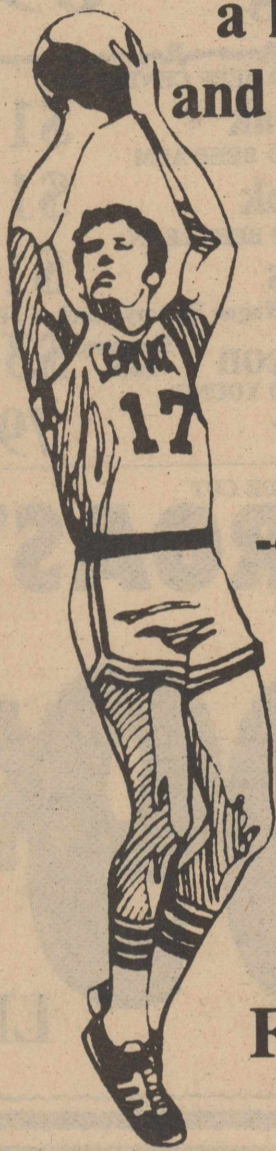
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Lady Lions drop two district games

By T. C. Tucker

After winning their opening district game against Ballinger, the Lady Lions encountered bad luck once more, losing to Sonora last Tuesday, January 7, and again to Coahoma last Friday night.

In their game against Sonora, the Lady Lions turned the ball over a few too many times in the opening quarter, which Sonora took advantage of to swing the momentum in their favor.

Because of the nien turnovers in the first quarter, Sonora sank 14 unanswered points to give them an eight point lead.

Junior High boys slip past Sonora

By T. C. Tucker

The Ozona Junior High boys' teams hosted Sonora Monday night, January 6. Both the 7th and 8th grade teams were cold after having such a long lay off. However, they held out and captured another two victories.

As always, the 7th grade boys grabbed the first quarter lead with the aid of leading scorers Ruben Borrego and Brad Bollier, each having nine and five points respectively.

"We played fair for having such a long break," said Coach Don Payne. "We didn't shoot too well, but we made up for it with good defense."

The boys continued to hold the lead at halftime, leading by eight, 16-8. But in the third quarter, Sonora fought back to within five, holding Ozona to only two points.

Turnovers also played an important factor in the game. The Cubs had many turnovers, but also had almost as many steals with Borrego leading with six.

Both Sonora and Ozona scored eight points apiece and Ozona came out on top 26-21. The Cubs controlled the boards fairly well, Michael Ybarra having seven and Borrego having five.

The 8th grade boys did not have as much trouble with Sonora, leading by more than ten points during most of the game.

The first quarter opened with both teams fairly well matched. The Cubs jumped out ahead though and led by five at the quarter's end.

Lalo Rodriguez, who had 12 points for the night, led the Cubs in their rout in the second quarter to the point where they led 26-10 at intermission.

The 8th grade Cubs had more steals than turnovers in this game. Chris Denman led with the most, having three.

Things went the same way in the third quarter with Ozona leading by 15. However, Sonora strode back to within a few points near the quarter's end, but the Cubs endured the attack and went on to win by five, 40-35.

Other Cub leaders were Denman with six points as well as Pete Ramirez. Leading rebounders were Rodriguez with five and Denman with four. Rodriguez also led in assisting having four while George Ybarra had three.

The 8th grade boys will take part in the Eldorado Tournament January 17 and 18. The 7th and 8th grade Cubs will host Iraan on January 20.

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J.H. teams participate in area tournaments

By T. C. Tucker

An 8th grade team consisting of B squad girls traveled to Iraan January 11 to partake in the Iraan Tourney. Even though the girls had to play A teams, they won the consolation.

Ozona 22, Iraan 26

Mikki Ramirez and Terry Vargas both had six points in the Cubettes game against Iraan, but came up short by four points.

Iraan led the entire game with Ozona trailing by five points at the most.

Brenda Rodriguez and Ramirez aided the Cubettes in controlling the boards with ten and eight rebounds respectively.

Ozona 21, Sanderson 12

Brenda Rodriguez led the Cubettes with 13 points in their domination of Sanderson and to a consolation title.

Rodriguez led in rebounding with ten while Debra Cervantez had six.

Leading the entire game, Ozona never let Sanderson in the game, holding them to only a maximum of four points a quarter.

A combination of 7th and 8th graders made up the boys' team which took part in the Iraan Tourney January 11. The boys gave much effort in their two games.

Ozona 26, Grandfalls 22

Pete Ramirez had an outstanding game with ten points and 13 rebounds as the Cubs came from behind to beat Grandfalls 26-22.

"I was very proud," said Coach Don Payne. "These boys showed lots of hustle and determination."

The Cubs led in the first quarter, but fell behind in the second and remained there until the fourth.

Ozona 16, Iraan 35

In the championship game, the weary Cubs faced a tough Iraan team. Ozona was quickly left behind, but did not fall behind more than ten points until the latter part of the third quarter.

Pete Ramirez had 14 points and ten rebounds. Isaac Leal had all four assists.

"We were tired, having been there all day," said Payne. "We are not used to playing so much, but everyone gave a tremendous effort."

J.V. Lady Lions down Sonora in district game

By T. C. Tucker

The J.V. Lady Lions hosted Sonora and Coahoma last week and came out victorious in the first game, but lost by 17 in the second.

After trailing in the first quarter, the girls jumped out ahead in the second quarter, holding Sonora to only two points.

With the aid of scoring leader Regina Cervantez, Ozona continued to hold their lead in the third and fourth quarters. Cervantez also led in rebounding, having 12. Ozona came out on top with Sonora right behind, 39-35.

Cathy Moran had eight points while Kriss Corley had seven. Corley also had 11 rebounds.

Ozona did not do as well in their game with Coahoma, being left

behind from the beginning. At halftime, Coahoma led 20-6.

Even with scoring leaders Dottie Gonzalez and Regina Cervantez, the J.V. Lady Lions never got into the game and were crushed 39-22.

Plagued by many turnovers and few rebounds, Ozona never could get any sort of drive going.

The J.V. girls will travel with the varsity girls to Colorado City and Crane.

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Every time Ozona scored a few points, Sonora would come right back and add their own. At halftime, Sonora led by 16, 31-15.

Direct opposite of what took place at the Ballinger game happened to Ozona in this game as the third quarter went to Sonora once more. However, the Lady Lions did revive somewhat in the latter part of the period and pull within 11 with the aid of scoring leader Vickie Reagor who had 13 points for the night.

Ozona's shots were still not falling in during the final quarter. The Lady Lions continued to pull closer, but time ran out before they could do any damage.

Julie Reagor followed her sister as scoring leader with eight points. She also had eight rebounds. V. Reagor led in steals with Sharon McCrohan, both having three.

On Friday, the Lady Lions fared much better, in the first half. The second half was another story with Ozona crumbling under the pressure of Coahoma.

Coahoma was leading by three when Ozona called a time out with 51 seconds left. The Lady Lions came out storming and found themselves with the lead at the quarter's end.

In the second quarter, both teams traded the lead with Coahoma coming out on top by two at halftime.

Coahoma's 11 point streak in the early part of the third quarter broke Ozona's momentum. The Lady Lions did hang on and were trailing by only nine at the period's end.

Ozona never got back in the ball game and found themselves with their second district loss.

Julie Reagor led scorers with 15 points. Zeldia Munoz followed with 14. They also had five rebounds each. Vickie Reagor led with four steals; the team had 14 of them.

The Lady Lions will travel to Colorado City January 17 and to Crane January 21, both which are district games.

Jr. High girls crush opponents

The 7th and 8th grade girls hosted Sonora last Monday, January 6, and continued to overpower their opponents with ease.

The 7th grade girls got off to a good start in their game, leading by three at the end of the opening quarter and by nine at halftime. Ofie Rios had eight of her 11 points in the first half alone.

In the third quarter, the Cubettes maintained their domination, but could never get more than nine points ahead of Sonora.

The fourth quarter was very low-scoring and thus Sonora never could produce any sort of come-back. Sandra Fuentes, who had eight points for the night, sank two of them in the final quarter while Rios added three of her own to give them their first victory of the new year.

Fuentes led in rebounding with eight, while Sanders followed with six. Letty Dominguez had eight steals and Tina Tambunga had six. Dominguez also had five rebounds as well as Tammie Reagor.

The 8th grade girls had little difficulty with their prey, pounding Sonora 27-9.

The first quarter started and ended with both teams fairly even, though Ozona had a 6-0 lead until Sonora fought back to within one.

The Cubettes were ahead by four when Kelly Williams sank four of her ten points near the end of the quarter, giving Ozona an eight point lead. Williams scored many of her points off rebounds, having 23 of them.

In the third quarter, Sonora did not score a point as the Cubettes racked up five more. Polly Villarreal sank four of her ten points in this quarter. She also had 16 rebounds, second only to Williams.

Sonora finally scored two more points in the final quarter. Ozona added five more and tallied their sixth victory of the year.

The girls' next game will be at the Eldorado Tournament for the 8th grade and at Iraan for both 7th and 8th grades.

Losing Streak snapped Lions edge Coahoma

By T. C. Tucker

In their first district game of the season, the Ozona Lions broke their string of three losses and beat Coahoma in a very close game, 52-46.

Steve Sanchez proved to be having a cold spell in the early part of the game. But Harvey Fierro picked up the slack and dropped 13 points through the hoop. Mike Morrow quickly followed with 12 of his own.

The Lions led through much of the game, but only by a few points with both teams trading shots. The Lions led at the end of the first quarter by four points. At halftime they led by five.

In the third quarter, the Lions were out by seven at one point. Sanchez put one in the basket to give them a three point lead at the end of the period. Sanchez was the third scoring leader with eight points.

With 5:19 left to go in the game, Ozona called a time out. Coahoma came storming back after the time out and regained their momentum. They tied the game up with a little

over two minutes left in the game, and both teams traded shots once more.

Then Bret Thompson sank two free throws and Morrow sank a shot to give the Lions a four point lead. They capped it off with a six point victory and a 1-0 district record.

Scott Denman had an excellent night rebounding, having nine while Morrow had eight. Free throws played an important part in the final seconds of the game and the Lions came through once more.

The J. V. Lions met good fortune also in their 48-38 win over Coahoma.


Danny Sanchez had 14 points and Will Seahorn had 12, while rebounders Jim Etheridge and Oscar Payne had good nights with six rebounds apiece.

The boys led most of the game, always staying a little too far away from Coahoma.

Both varsity and J.V. boys' teams will travel to Colorado City January 17, and Crane January 21.

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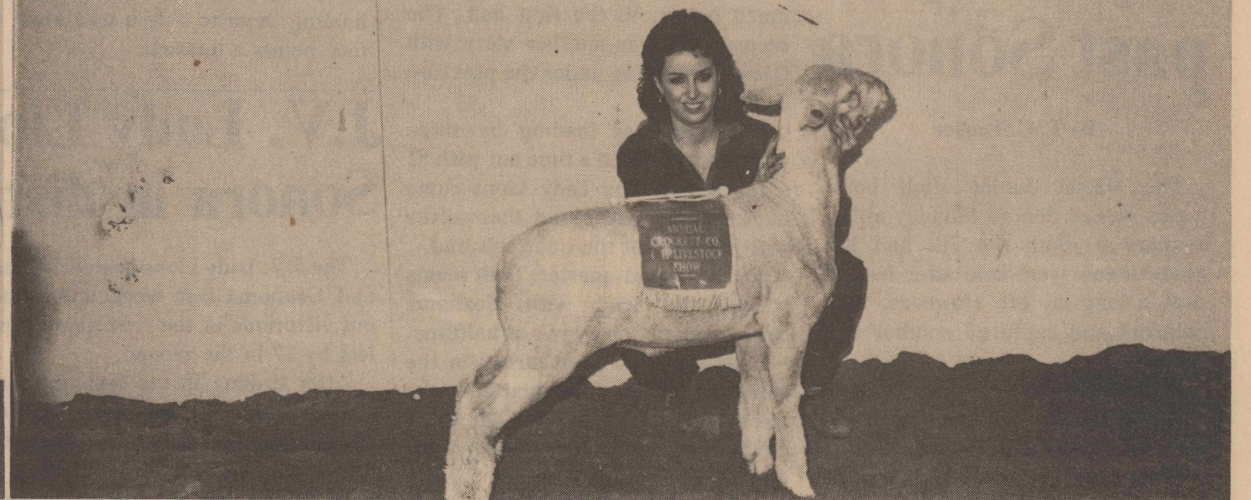
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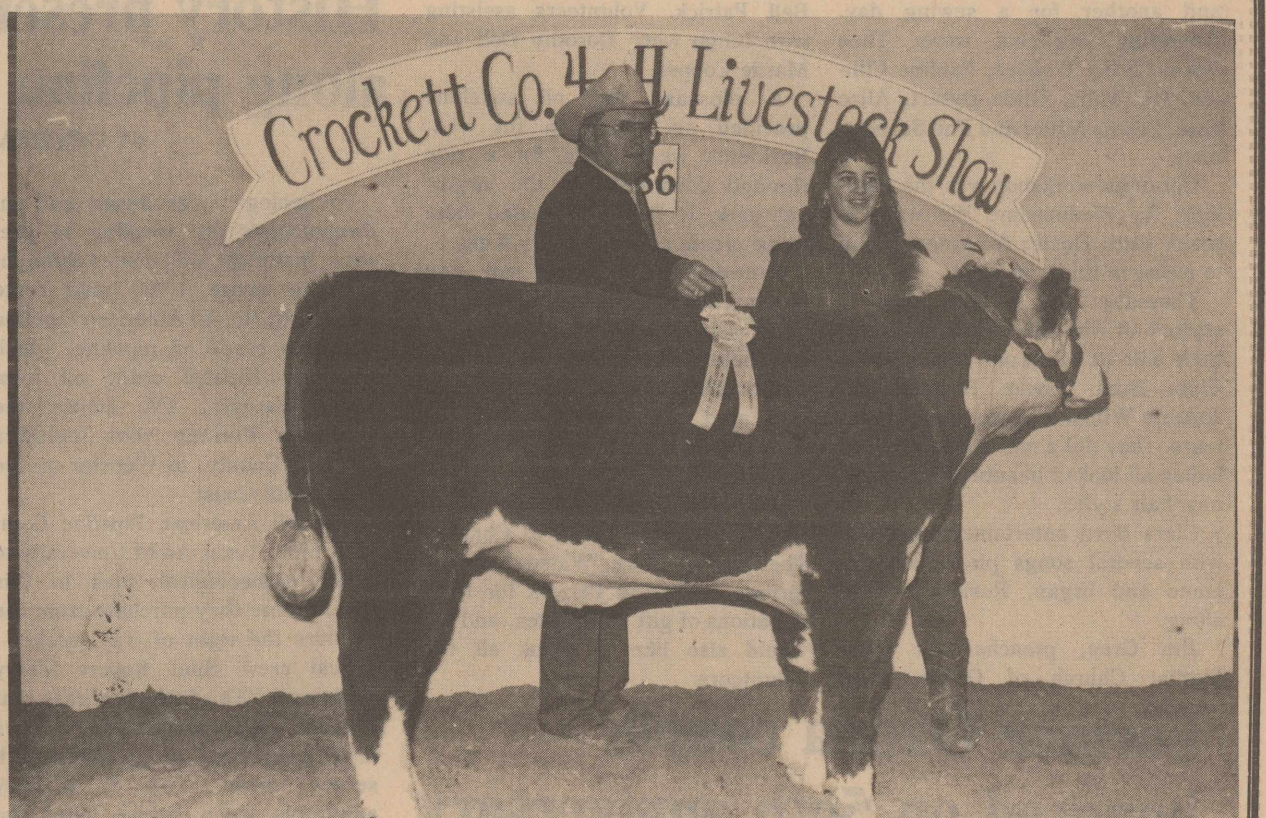
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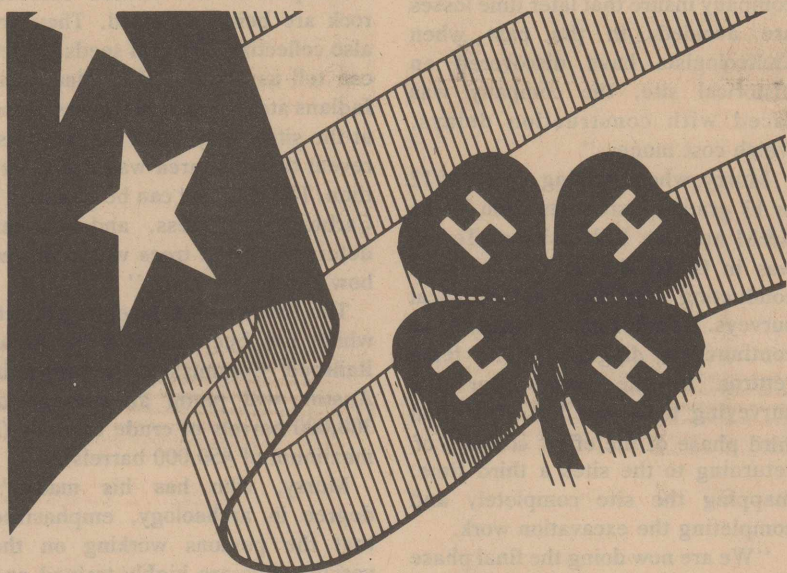
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Care Center News

By JoAnne Marshall
Activities Director



This past week, we welcomed a new resident, Geronimo Garcia. Some of his special interests are dominos and cards.

Monday, residents enjoyed home videos shown by Jo Davidson. The videos included residents' Christmas party, dinner at the Davidson's house and a scenic film on New England.

Tuesday, bingo was played. First place winner of an El Chato's gift certificate was Moriama Perez. Other prize winners included Grace Cotter, Pauline Clinton, Hilda Dysart, Ola Mills, Minnie Karr and Theo Burns.

A residents' meeting was held and plans for February's calendar were discussed. New craft ideas and activities were presented by residents. It was voted that one day a month be set aside for a bake day, and another for a sewing day. Attending residents were: Theo Burns, Edna Wallace, Pauline Clinton, Ola Mills, Hilda Dysart, Clara Ross, Bertha Miller and Phil Schneeman.

Ceramics workshop was the highlight for Wednesday. We want to thank Ruth Hester for volunteering to assist in this workshop.

Thursday was a busy day. It started off with the residents getting their hair styled at our beauty shop. Clara Byrd, Vivian Hughes and JoAnne Williamson were our volunteers. They did a marvelous job. The ladies all looked beautiful with their new hair styles.

Clara Byrd entertained residents with several songs played on the piano and organ. Residents sang along.

Jim Gray, preacher for First Baptist Church of Ozona, read

scriptures and presented a Bible study for the day. Songs were led by Ted Turnley. Piano was played by Glenda Henderson. A large number of residents took part in the singing of hymns.

Spanish Hour of Praise was attended by Tomasa, Moriama, Juanita and Lucia. Joining them were volunteers Maria Vitela, Paulita Leal, Carmen Vargas, Felipa Munoz, Germana Onofre, Victoria DeLaGarza and Mariana Hernandez. They enjoyed scriptures read, a Bible study and singing of hymns in Spanish.

First place winners of Friday's bingo was Maggie Crawford. She won a gift certificate from The Teacher Store. Ola, Grace, Juana, Tomasa, Hilda, Emma, Moriama and Minnie were other prize winners. Every one was treated to popcorn prepared by volunteer Anna Bell Patrick. Volunteers assisting with bingo were Dorothy Doll and Mattie Cooper.

A pleasant day of sunshine provided an outing in the van. Residents were taken for a ride through downtown, to the airport and park. Jo Davidson treated them to ice cream cones at Dairy King.

Saturday was a day of rest, and Sunday, Father Richard Altenbaugh, with assistance from Wally Anderson, held Catholic worship services. Father Richard read scriptures and presented the sermon, and the residents took part in the singing of hymns.

A special thank you goes out to Clayton's Village Drub, El Chato's, The Teacher Store, Watson's, Westerman Drug and Perry's for their donations of gift certificates, and we would also like to thank all the volunteers.

Hall to coordinate local silver haired legislature

Effective January 1, 1986, candidacy petitions and information forms for the first Texas Silver Haired Legislature will be available in Crockett County at the Courthouse Annex according to Rachel Hall, local coordinator.

The Silver Haired Legislature, established by the 69th Texas Legislature, is a model legislative session in which older Texans are elected by their peers to meet at the State Capitol to initiate and debate issues that affect the elderly.

Four representatives will be elected from the Concho Valley Council of Governments Area Agency on Aging region. Two representatives will be elected from Tom Green County and the remaining two will be elected from the rural counties of Coke, Concho, Crockett, Irion, Kimble, Mason, McCulloch, Menard, Reagan, Schleicher, Sterling and Sutton.

Anyone who is a Texas registered voter and is 60 plus years of age may run for the Silver Haired Legislature.

To become a candidate, one must obtain an official candidate form and obtain 25 signatures from 60 plus registered voters who live in the appropriate area. These forms along with a \$5.00 filing fee must be returned to the CVCOG-AA office by February 28, 1986.

The Regional Advisory Committee on Aging of the Concho Valley Council of Governments is the steering committee for the special project. The election will be held Friday, May 30, 1986 at the Crockett County Courthouse from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in Crockett County.

Each elected Silver Haired Legislator will be responsible for all expenses relating to his candidacy, election and travel to Austin for the legislative session, September 28 - October 1, 1986.

This first effort will take a lot of community support. Anyone in Crockett County interested in assisting with this important and exciting event is encouraged to contact Rachel Hall at 392-2721 or 392-2984.

History preserved along pipeline route

BY CYNTHIA HARRELL HODGES

Archeologists, geologists and anthropologists are working to preserve historical Indian sites throughout the entire 1,700 mile route covered by the All American Pipeline Company crude oil pipeline, which will carry heated crude oil from Santa Barbara, CA across the Edwards Plateau that includes Crockett County, to Webster on the Texas Gulf Coast.

The All American Pipeline Company hired Texas A&M University to locate archeological sites in this area, before they purchase from the ranchers the right of way, archeological crew chief Robert Murry explained. "This is the first case that I know where archeological crews have been hired to go along with survey crews. This is a very admirable trend, which helps the company insure that later time losses are avoided. In the past when archeologists have discovered a historical site, the company was faced with construction delays, which cost money."

Murry, who is leading a crew of 12 or 13 graduate students from Texas A&M and the University of Texas, was in Ozona during the summer, conducting the first archeological surveys. He returned on January 3 to continue the diggings. "The team returns to the sites after the surveying team has left. The final third phase of the effort consists of returning to the sites a third time, mapping the site completely and completing the excavation work."

"We are now doing the final phase of the work. Sites which can't be moved are tested by the excavation teams, in two by two or four by four meter size units. The site is

excavated to 10 centimeters, and we record and photograph what we find."

The State Historical Commission is consulted by the archeological teams and "together a decision is made regarding each archeological site."

"I know of one case where the pipeline was moved at a significant cost to the company to avoid an important site," Murry said. "The more expensive route down the edge of a mesa allowed the company to preserve this site."

Indians in this area were hunters, primarily, Murry said. "This is not something most persons get excited about. We have found mostly stone tools, not bone tools. At most sites in this area are these stone tools and lots of burned rock."

Samples of the burned charcoal rock are being collected. They are also collecting charcoal seeds, which can tell us what kind of plants the Indians ate. "Pollen preserves found at the sites, may, after lab analysis, reveal that this area was not so dry then. The charcoal can be dated by a Carbon 14 process, and we can determine when trees were cut and how old the sites are."

The \$800 million pipeline project, which has been delayed by Texas Railroad Commission hearings in Austin, will pump an average of 300,000 barrels of crude oil daily (a maximum of 450,000 barrels).

Murry, who has his master's degree in archeology, emphasized that the persons working on the various sites are highly trained and dedicated individuals. "We are working an average of 12 hours per day to complete our work in this area."

Rachel's reviews

By Rachel O. Hall

UPCOMING EVENTS



January 16 - Ozonans, like people in many small towns, spend a majority of their money out-of-town. The Ozona Chamber of Commerce and Extension Service are co-sponsoring a consumer survey which concentrates on reasons why people shop out-of-town. Dr. James Mallet, Community Development Specialist of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, will conduct group interviews. Goals for the survey are to help retailers identify the strengths and weaknesses of their retail goods and services and permit consumers to explain their perception of conducting business in Ozona.

January 16 - The Crockett County Program Building Committee will be meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the County Extension Office Meeting Room to devise long range plans for 1987-1990.

January 20 - A 4-H Clothing Planning meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. at the Extension Office Meeting Room. All leaders and interested persons are encouraged to attend.

Fit For Life classes will begin the first week of February. One hour classes will be held each Tuesday or Thursday from twelve weeks. Tentatively, classes will be from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. and 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. provided there is enough interest. The noon and evening session will provide the same information.

The Fit For Life series is researched based and concentrates on personalizing an individual's total diet and exercise plan. Participants will not be exercising during class time, rather they will be learning about various topics and applying them during the week.

Various topics include: measurement of initial, midpoint and final percentage body fat, flexibility and cardiovascular fitness; controlling eating cues; snacking and eating binges; proper exercise methods; low calorie meals; nutrition myths; stress management; positive self concept; slimming with appropriate clothes; eating out; and fad diets.

The Fit For Life weight control series is inexpensive, when compared to many commercial pro-

grams. There is a \$25.00 registration fee -- \$15.00 will be returned at the conclusion of the series, provided all sessions are attended. A physician's release is required. Call the County Extension Office at 392-2721 for a registration form or more details.

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Many people believe that exercise increases the desire to eat, but the researchers don't agree. Studies show a decrease in appetite follows strenuous exercise in most people, especially those who are normally inactive.

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When you exercise, food passes through your intestinal tract much faster. This means a smaller percentage of the day's calories are absorbed.

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So, if you're on a diet or thinking of starting one, put on your walking shoes - you'll get to your weight loss goal a lot faster than you will in a car with no engine.

Former Ozona couple honored on 50th anniversary

Former Ozona residents Mr. and Mrs. Ted M. Lewis of Sunrise Beach were honored on their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception December 28. The celebration was held in the home of Col. and Mrs. Larry M. Lewis of Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio. Co-host was their other son, David Lewis of Dallas.

Mae Talle and Ted Lewis were married in McCamey December 31, 1935. They moved to Odessa in 1942.

He was employed in the oil fields before moving to Ozona where they resided for 26 years.

Mr. Lewis owned and operated a convenience store for 15 years. She was co-owner of a ladies apparel shop for 10 years before retiring in 1976. After retirement they moved to Sunrise Beach on Lake L.B.J.

They have five grandchildren, Tracy, Terri and Ted Lewis, Scott and Kelly Rieck.

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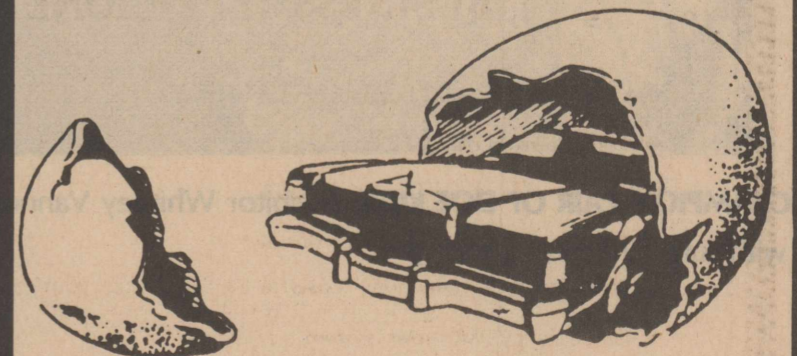
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Comings and Goings

By Cynthia Harrell Hodges

Home for the holidays were Marty and Bobbie Acton, children of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Acton. They are attending Sul Ross in Alpine. Bobbie spent a weekend in San Antonio with classmate Kathy Coker.

Birthday greetings are extended to Ozona High School teachers H. O. Hoover and Ruben Pena-Alfaro.

Visiting the past two weeks at the home of Serafin Maskill was Gloria Goforth of Flint, Michigan.

Mrs. Juan Padilla is recovering from surgery at a San Angelo hospital.

Birthday wishes go out to Ernestina Caldera and to Serafin Maskill. He turned 73 Tuesday.

Belated birthday wishes are extended to Ammy Sherrill of Lovington. She is the niece of Rosa Montez and was recently a visitor in Ozona.

Gail and Ted Spence enjoyed a marvelous fishing weekend at Lake Amistad.

Irene Arredondo was honored with a surprise birthday supper party January 8 at the home of Juan and Bebe Garcia.

Guests enjoyed barbecued chicken, green beans, rice, homemade rolls, tea, cake and cookies.

Those attending included Randy and Jackie Garza, Mando Arredondo, Louisa and Oliver Payne, Betty tambunga, Eva Borden, Jesse and Ninfa Navarette, Raedene Flores, Joe Arredondo, Steven and Rosa Montez and Anna, Charlene and Sylvia Yruegas, Leon Garcia and Megan Tambunga.

175 attend strength clinic

Approximately 175 persons attended a strength and fitness clinic January 11 sponsored by the Ozona High School and led by Dr. Greg Shepard, strength coach for the professional Jazz basketball team.

Aside from serving as Jazz strength coach, Shepard is president of Bigger, Faster, Stronger, Inc. Shepard emphasized there is no magic treatment to become BFS. "It takes hard work, and the harder you work, the better the results. Shepard's program attempts to avoid plateaus or flatten out periods, said Coach Jim Green.

The goals included at the clinic include: instructional motivation, goal setting, nutrition, lifting techniques, power weight training, speedwork, agility drill, flexibility and endurance.

Approximately 75 students, from 7th grade and up and 100 adults attended the clinic. Adults at the clinic were especially interested in the lectures on nutrition.

Due to increasing demand by students and adults, the field house will be open from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday nights throughout basketball season, Coach Green said.

Birthday greetings are extended to Roy A. Harrell Jr. and also to his father, R. A. Harrell.

Mrs. Bruce Dye, the former Miss Peggy Skains, was honored with a bridal shower at the home of Mrs. Tommy Conner Saturday afternoon. Other hostesses were Mrs. T. R. Conner Sr., Mrs. Earl Acton, Mrs. Dempster Jones, Mrs. Fred Deaton and Mrs. Eddie Wall.

Out-of-town guests were the bride's grandmothers, Mrs. James Floyd and Mrs. L. E. Skains; her great-grandmother, Mrs. Joe Wall from Sonora; the bridegroom's mother, Mrs. Kenneth Dye, and grandmother, Mrs. Melvin Beam from San Angelo.

Happy birthday greetings are extended to the Boss of The Crockett County News, Linda Moore.

Lottie Lee Baker is home following a stay in a San Angelo hospital. Here with her for a visit is her daughter, Priscilla Pakkila of Tow.

Ray Henderson has been in Tulsa, OK for meetings concerning his store.

Becky Davidson Madray of Houston has been here visiting her mother, Donna Beth Davidson.

Airman Diego Leal, son of Domingo D. and Rosa Y. Leal of Ozona, has completed Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio.

The airman, who is to remain at Lackland for specialized training in the security police field, studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special instructions in human relations.

Mrs. Al Fields is recovering from surgery at Angelo Community Hospital.

Leonard Boyd was released from St. John's Hospital in San Angelo Tuesday following surgery.

Recent changes in laws help victims obtain child support money

By Cynthia Harrell Hodges

Recent changes in law, starting September 1, 1985, will benefit those trying to obtain child support, and will help those already receiving child support, but are not the total answers to the problems incurred, Judge Brock Jones and attorney Kathryn Williams Mayfield, said recently.

The child is often the innocent victim of misunderstandings which arise between the custodial parent and the non-custodial parent, Mrs. Mayfield explained. Many times, the non-custodial parent can't understand where the monies go. "You can't see electricity, food, clothing or a home. You can see a new dress, toys, a new swing set. Sometimes the custodial parent starts dating, and the ex-spouse does not want his support payments to be used for partying. These misunderstandings sometimes make the non-custodial parent reluctant to send child support payments."

Among the changes that have occurred in family law are: 1. Children are now eligible for child support past the age of 18. They now qualify until they finish high school, as long as they are attending full time. "This especially helps those students who may be handicapped, either emotionally or physically," Jones said. Very few students will benefit numerically from this change, but it is "very important to a small minority who do qualify".

2. Stepparents, if the child has lived with them for six months, can now gain custody of a child. "Sometimes, the stepparent is the only parent that the child can remember," Jones said. Grandparents can obtain custody in some emergency cases.

Involuntary assignment or garnishment of wages for delinquent child support is now automatically possible in Texas. The custodial parent, usually the mother, used to be able to take the non-custodial parent to court on a motion of contempt. "The court's only remedy was to throw the non-custodial parent in jail, cause him (or her) to

lose his job, and when the amount was paid, he would be released," Mrs. Mayfield said.

This garnishment provision is now automatic, unless the judge finds grounds not to. "This change is very helpful," Judge Jones said. "You generally run into this problem. The man or woman has a family he is obligated to support. He (or she) remarries and often has a new family to support. The judge is often faced with the decision of putting him in jail and depriving both families of support or letting him pay less than satisfactory payments. This garnishment has lessened the number of violations. It (garnishment) enables the non-custodial parent to get started on the right foot. He never sees that money, as it is automatically deducted from his paycheck.

The chronic offender, the drifter, the person with no steady job, will not be helped by this provision," Jones said. "Some fathers would rather spend time in jail than pay one dime to an ex-spouse they can no longer stand. At least in jail, they are fed and have a home."

The garnishment provision does not mean that everytime a job is changed a non-custodial parent must return to court. "This order is now addressed to any employer and is paid through any child support offices," Mrs. Mayfield said. The child support offices provide both parents with a written record that can verify payment or non-payment.

"There is just so much the courts can do. There are many sad cases where one parent is a drug addict or alcoholic," she explained. Employers can not discriminate against

someone because of an involuntary assignment of wages. There is also a parent locator service, which attempts to locate missing non-custodial parents.

Those seeking a change in their child support payments can now go to court and file a pauper's affidavit. A judge can then appoint a lawyer to pursue any delinquency, said Jones. "The basic problem, especially during these depressed economic times is that fathers sometimes re-prioritize their lives following a divorce. New responsibilities become more important and the courts are then asked to intervene."

"Ozona needs some sort of parent education programs which would be open to anyone," said attorney Mayfield. These programs would have to be offered to anyone and could be sponsored by a local church or service club. "Those needing information on child care, child

education, child support laws, could listen to films or speakers."



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Evans wins grand prize for photo

Beverly Evans, speech and special education teacher at the Ozona Public Schools, recently learned that she won a grand prize in the Cannon amateur photo contest.

Tom Martin, son of Betty and Ed Martin, was the subject of the prize winning photo. The picture depicted young Martin, an intermediate school student, practice roping a bale of hay. "With him as my subject, you just couldn't miss," Mrs. Evans said.

The amateur photographer first started taking pictures during a 1983 trip abroad. "I wanted something simple, with autofocus, that would enable me to get good pictures."

The grand prize is a summer trip to the Acadia National Park in Maine. Round trip ticket, \$500 in spending money, and a new camera are among the prizes awarded," Mrs. Evans said. She will be accompanied on her trip by her daughter, Jenny, a junior high student.

Mrs. Evans entered only one photo in this, her first photography contest. The judge who notified Mrs. Evans by phone of her winning entry stated that some persons had submitted many photos in the statewide contest.



Arnold Paul, Worthy Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of Texas, U.E.S., and Mrs. Elsie Paladino, Worthy Grand Matron, O.E.S., were in Ozona last week during the Eastern Star school.



Here to conduct an Eastern Star School last week were: Grand Matron; Forrestine Kothmann, District Deputy Boots Draper, Grand Organist; Lemma Voorhies, Grand Grand Matron; Dr. Effie Mae Davis, Grand Examiner, Electa; Bobbe Paul, Grand Esther; Rennie Ofton, Past District 5; Betty Stiles, Humanitarian Committee, District

\$750 raised by students in Read-a-thon

Thirteen Ozona Intermediate and Junior High students have received their prizes for their participation in the Multiple Sclerosis Read-A-Thon program that ended last month.

Approximately \$750 was raised to benefit Multiple-Sclerosis programs. The students were entirely on their own. Mrs. Frances Curry, a junior high teacher, explained, "I simply handed out the material, and the students that participated in the program lined up their own sponsors and sent in their own registration form."

"This is the first year that I have helped with this program. It gives students an incentive and encourages reading. The students have one month to read any number of books. Most participants read an average of 20 books."

The two top winners, in terms of donations, were junior high students Candace Williams, \$253; and Haley Carson, \$240. Junior high participants and their prizes included: Williams, swatch watch; Carson, AM/FM personal stereo; Ami Sewell, ms pencil kit; Elnia Vasquez, ms pencil kit; Veronica Vasquez, ms pencil kit; Jamina Carrizales, ms visor; and Mary Turnley, \$5.00 gift certificate; David Southwell, book.

Intermediate students that participated in the program and their prizes included: Lisa Herring, ms visor; Sarah Southwell, book; Toni Moreno, book; Martha Mayfield, robot watch; and Alex Sanchez, ms visor.

"The program would probably be more successful if done on the intermediate school level. Junior high school students have so many projects and outside interests. Next year, I will propose this," Mrs. Curry said.

Teachers to review TECAT this week

By Cynthia Harrell Hodges

Ozona teachers and school administrators will be able to review and prepare for the Texas Examination for Current Administrators and Teachers (TECAT) to be held March 10 during a workshop conducted here Friday, Ted Cotton, assistant superintendent of schools, said recently.

All 89 teachers and administrators will be required to take the two part exam, which features reading and writing sections. "We contacted the University of Texas in Austin, who are developing the test, about the possibility of having a workshop here. The school board agreed to fund the workshop review course, which will run from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m."

Helping teachers and administrators understand the TECAT study guide and leading the workshop will be San Angelo teacher Patti Roach.

Teachers will not be tested in their field of interest. "This is just a general two part competency test, mandated by HB 72," Cotton explained.

Teachers and administrators must score a minimum of 75 to pass the test. The Texas Education Agency has predicted a failure rate of five percent state wide among the 200,000 teachers taking the TECAT.

"We do not anticipate that any Ozona teachers or administrators will fail the test," Cotton said.

Various individuals, appointed by Gov. Mark White, were appointed to

develop guidelines and objectives, which would be covered by the TECAT. After the objectives had been outlined, the State Board of Education reviewed the objectives.

"All districts in Texas will take the exam on Monday, March 10. Approximately 45 teachers and administrators will be tested, starting at 8:00 a.m. on March 10 at the Civic Center. Another 45 school personnel will be tested that afternoon," Cotton said. A retake for those failing one or both portions of the TECAT has been scheduled for June 28. Persons having teaching certificates, but not presently employed by the Ozona school system, may take the exam on July 12.

"We hope that the workshop review course will reduce each teacher's anxiety regarding the test. This anxiety factor cannot be overlooked. Anytime your job is on the line, you worry," Cotton said.

"We have heard nothing but negativism regarding the TECAT from all over the state. Several persons have filed lawsuits challenging the status of TECAT. Other states, such as Florida, are considering adopting these tests."

The multiple choice portion of the test will be graded by the National Computer System in Iowa City, Iowa. Teachers will be notified of their scores on the TECAT in early May.

Should an essay be graded as marginal, the score from the 30 question, multiple choice writing section, will determine if the educator passes or fails.

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Child abuse becoming problem

By Cynthia Harrell Hodges

Almost everyone who has children has felt guilty at one time or another of physically or emotionally abusing their child. Perhaps the slap over a spilled glass of milk on a new dining room table was too hard. Perhaps the ranting over less than satisfactory grades at school or an unkempt room was too loud. Perhaps the child was ignored when he/she asked a question. Perhaps an over-wrought mother or father, after a hard day at work or home, simply totally neglected a crying child who only wanted some love, food or tender loving care.

There are four forms of child abuse according to Ozona Primary School principal Walter Spiller. They include: physical abuse, emotional maltreatment, neglect and sexual abuse. Though the problem here in Ozona is minor when compared with other areas of this size, Cynthia Dennis, a caseworker from San Angelo, is presently working on 12 child abuse cases in Crockett County. The maximum number of cases Dennis can handle at one time is 15.

"I wish I had an answer. Our job is merely to report suspected cases. Parents need to listen to their

children, to spend time with them and to be a family," said Spiller.

"I have seen children come to school with welts, black eyes. They are programmed by their parents not to talk to educators. I would rather be embarrassed and be wrong about abuse than not report a case.

"I don't want to alarm people here. I just want to inform them that such cases exist here. Children don't understand abuse. How can they understand when they are hit because they didn't do something. We have seen all forms of abuse here in Crockett County. It isn't just a city problem, and doesn't just involve those from poor families."

A pamphlet prepared by the Texas State Teachers Association indicates that children suffering from physical abuse often have one or more of the following, bruises, welts, black eyes, burns, frequent injuries, they don't want to sit down, they often cannot hold a pencil, they do not want to change clothes for physical education classes, they wear long sleeves during hot weather, they complain of pain without outward injuries, they are lacking in self confidence, they are frequently absent or tardy or come to school early and stay late, they are aggressive, or disruptive in class, they are withdrawn and fearful of other children and adults, they exhibit a manipulative or distrustful attitude; they are expressionless; they are too eager to please or they complain of beatings; and they change their attitude toward school markedly.

Neglected children are often easier to spot for a layman. Some characteristics that may signal that a child has been neglected include: frequent absences; obvious malnourishment; obvious and uncorrected medical and dental problems; inappropriate dress for the existing weather conditions; dirty, torn clothing; dirty hair and body; fatigue and a failure to thrive.

According to the pamphlet, children that have been sexually abused often complain of pain or itching in the genital region; they may wear torn or stained underclothing; they have a difficulty in walking and sitting; drawings and writings have bizarre sexual themes; they repeatedly attempt to run away from home; they have poor relationships with other children their age; and they have an overly sophisticated knowledge and interest in sex; and they exhibit an overly mature behavior and/or appearance.

Teacher, principals and concerned adults are required to report suspected cases of child abuse to 1-915-655-0576 or call a child abuse hotline at 1-800-252-5400. Those reporting child abuse can remain anonymous.

Child care workers now must report suspected child abuse within a 48 hour period. Minors can now seek counseling about child abuse without their parents' knowledge.

"I never can get used to seeing child abuse," Spiller said. "It goes from the highest to the lowest grade. I can't do a thing about it but report it, and that is what hurts."

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"Only 'viable' human beings who have the 'capability of meaningful life' may, but need not, be protected by the state". (U. S. Supreme Court, January 22, 1973)

The Supreme Court's ruling on abortion has not only devalued human life, but it has set in motion a mentality of death that reaches far beyond the womb. Francis Schaeffer wondered, "Will a society which has assumed the right to kill infants in the womb - because they are unwanted, imperfect, or merely inconvenient - have difficulty in assuming the right to kill other human beings, especially older adults who are judged unwanted, deemed imperfect physically or mentally, or considered a possible social nuisance?"

Abortion practices are being used to justify euthanasia. In the *Atlantic Monthly* it was argued that if the life of a Down's Syndrome baby can be ended prenatally, why should it not be ended neonatally (just after birth)? The only difference between the fetus and the infant is that the infant breathes with its lungs'. Like it or not, this line of logic is correct. If we can kill babies before they are born, why not after?

Another shocking statement comes from a Nobel Prize winner: "If a child were not declared alive until three days after birth, then all parents could be allowed the choice that only a few are given under the present system. The doctor could allow the child to die if the parents so chose, and save a lot of misery and suffering. I believe this is the only rational and compassionate attitude to have." (National Right To Life News, August 30, 1983).

Malcolm Muggeridge, the distinguished British journalist, critic, and lecturer, reflects on the subtle change of values in Germany that led to the slaughter of millions. "It all began in the decadent years of post World War I Germany. All the most horrible and disgusting aspects of the last decades of the 20th century - the pornography, the sadism, the violence, the moral and spiritual vacuum - were already in evidence there. Can this sort of thing happen in countries like Canada and England and in the United States? In my opinion, yes. In fact, it is already happening. It should never be forgotten that it was the euthanasia program first organized by the medical profession which led to and merged with the genocide program." (The Human Holocaust, by Malcolm Muggeridge) As he views our current euthanasia practices, Muggeridge wonders if some future historian will say of us, 'It took no more than three decades to transform a war crime into an act of compassion'.

We tend to believe that the Nazi genocide of World War II could never happen again. But if we take a careful look, the very same foundations are again being laid, and accepted, that allow such a tragedy. We must learn from the mistakes of others, lest we make the same ones. History can repeat itself. In fact, the wheels have already been set in motion!

What is 'euthanasia'? Euthanasia: To purposely speed up or cause death when it's 'in the best interest' of the patient. It's done with or without the patient's consent, by a lethal injection, suffocation, or by not giving the basic and ordinary treatment that would routinely be offered. It also includes withholding food and water to 'allow' a patient to die. Some harmless and even noble sounding terms commonly used are 'right to die' and 'mercy killing'. Euthanasia should not be confused with the term 'death with dignity', which means allowing a terminally ill patient to die naturally, without using extreme measures to draw out the death process into a long and painful ordeal. Dr. Paul Marx states it "is not euthanasia at all. It usually refers to removing supportive equipment or drug treatment when a patient has irrevocably entered the process of dying." (The Mercy Killers, by Dr. Paul Marx)

We sometimes put our dogs and cats 'to sleep' when the cost of treating them outweighs their value to us, but can we measure human life

on the same scale? Unfortunately, it is being done. Euthanasia is sometimes practiced in nursing homes and mental hospitals, where the sick and aged lie unwanted and unvisited by their families. They have no defense against this deceptive mentality of death.

What is infanticide? Infanticide: The murder of infants. - Already an alarmingly common practice in the United States, infanticide is probably the most common and accepted form of euthanasia. Abortion itself is obviously a form of infanticide - however, late-term abortions (2nd and 3rd trimester) sometimes present what has been called 'the dreaded complication'. During a late-term abortion, sometimes a baby that's supposed to be born dead is born alive. There are no laws protecting these infants. we may not hear much about this, but it's not as rare as we tend to think. It is estimated that 40,000 - 50,000 live abortions occur each year, although only about one percent are reported. A report is not legally required, and what doctor would want to volunteer such information?

By ignoring the problem of abortion live births, the courts and the medical establishment are choosing to overlook a long, well-documented history of cases. Following are only a couple of instances. Bakersfield, CA - 1973: A 4 1/2 pound infant was born alive following a saline abortion. Informed by phone, the doctor ordered two nurses to stop giving oxygen to the baby. His instructions were overridden by another physician. The baby survived and was later adopted. The first doctor was indicted for solicitation to commit murder. The case was dismissed. Westminster, CA - 1977: A seven-month baby girl was born alive after a saline abortion. A nurse testified that when the doctor got to the hospital, he stopped her efforts to help the baby's breathing. A fellow physician testified that he had seen the doctor choke the infant, "I saw him put his hand on this baby's neck and push down. He said, 'I can't find the trachea!' and 'This baby won't stop breathing!' " The charges against the doctor were dismissed. Los Angeles, CA - 1979: What seemed to be a stillborn infant of 23 weeks was delivered from an abortion. Half an hour later the baby made gasping attempts to breathe, but no efforts were made to resuscitate it. The baby was taken to a small utility room that was used as an infant morgue. When told of the continued gasping, the doctor instructed a nurse, "Leave the baby there - it will die". Twelve hours later, according to the testimony of the nurse, she returned to work and found the infant still in the closet, still gasping. The doctor then reluctantly agreed to have the baby boy transferred to an intensive care unit, where he died four days later.

Pittsburgh, PA - 1974: A Prostaglandin abortion was filmed for use as an instructional film. The film showed a three-pound baby, born alive, moving and gasping. Norma, a nurse, was present in 1980 when a live baby girl was delivered after a saline abortion. The baby appeared healthy at birth. "She was beautiful," Norma said. "She was pink. There were no physical deformities. She lay in a basin put there to catch all the stuff. She was waving her arms and legs. You could tell she was making a big effort to live."

So far, we have been talking about babies who were aborted. Not wanted. But what about wanted babies who become unwanted immediately after they're born? 1971: At John Hopkins Hospital, a baby was born with an intestinal blockage that meant he could not be nourished. When his parents learned that he also had Down's Syndrome, they refused to permit the relatively minor operation that would have

corrected the internal condition. So the baby was wheeled into an out-of-the-way corner, where he died of starvation and dehydration 15 days later. 1982: In Bloomington, Indiana, a baby was born with Down's Syndrome. 'Infant Doe', as he came to be called in the courts, needed simple surgery to enable him to eat. However, the parents refused the surgery - and went further by refusing to yield custody of the child to any of the couples who were eager to adopt him. When the matter came before the courts, the parents' decision to let the child starve to death was reinforced.

These babies died a slow and painful death. We treat animals better than these children were treated. How can you rationalize something like this? President Ronald Reagan denounced Baby Doe's death: "The real issue for the courts was not whether Baby Doe was a human being. The real issue was whether to protect the life of a human being who had Down's Syndrome. The judge let Baby Doe starve and die, and the Indiana Supreme Court sanctioned his decision."

If we continue to allow such practices we need to check our own qualifications for staying alive. Just being a living human being isn't enough anymore. Charles Darwin, who is honored in our education system today, is the grandfather of the evolution theory. If man evolved, then he is a mere animal, and his value is determined strictly by what he can offer society. If man is created in the image and likeness of God, his value is determined by his Creator. Either all men are created equal and have value according to the Lord who made them, or no one has any value, regardless of our efforts to throw together some sort of sliding scale. The ones who insist on the practices of abortion, infanticide, and euthanasia are unknowingly signing their own death certificates. If their brothers and sisters in humanity are worthless, then so are they. When God came to us in the Person of His own Eternal Son, Jesus Christ, He said: "Let Me assure you, anything you did (didn't) do for one of My brothers here, you did (didn't) do for Me". (Matthew 25:40, 45)

WHAT SHALL WE DO ABOUT IT? - "Rescue the captive from death, and spare those who are staggering from slaughter. If you say, 'Look, this isn't our business', won't He who weighs hearts consider it? And He who guards your life - won't He know it, and won't He pay back everyone according to what he does?"

We will be observing Life Sunday on January 19, with a special worship service. The public is invited to join with us on this day as we hear God's Word on this issue and offer our prayers and service to Him. Faith Lutheran Church, 802 First, Ozona: 9:00 a.m.; Hope Lutheran Church, 415 E. 2nd, Sonora: 11:00 a.m.

Week of Prayer slated next week

January 18 through 25 marks the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The 1986 theme is "You shall be my witness".

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity was first observed by Father Paul Wattson at Graymoor in Garrison, NY in 1908. This year's theme reminds of individual and corporate responsibility to proclaim the good news throughout the world. Special worship services at some community churches will be augmented by a Prayer for Life meeting on the town square at 7:30 p.m. January 21.

Ted Turnley resigns as youth minister at Baptist Church

Rev. Ted Turnley has resigned as Minister of Religious Education and Youth at First Baptist Church effective February 1, where he has served for more than 3 1/2 years. Many past records at the church have been surpassed and many lives have been touched by his ministry here.

He is a native of Florida, married, and the father of three children: Robbie, 21, a junior at Angelo State University; Ted Jr., 15, a sophomore at Ozona High School; and Mary, 12, a seventh grader at Ozona Junior High School.

In 1942, Rev. Turnley entered the United States Marine Corps and remained for four years. During this time, he saw combat on Enwetak and Iwo Jima and was wounded.

After leaving the U.S.M.C., Rev. Turnley entered the United States Air Force and saw combat in Korea. He retired from the Air Force as Chief Master Sergeant and head of a Command Surveying Branch.

Rev. Turnley holds the Silver Star and Purple Heart awards, along with many other medals.

He graduated from several schools and colleges. Rev. Turnley graduated from the Orlando Secretarial Accounting School and received a B.B.A. from the University of Florida. He completed the Civil Engineering program at the Air University extension and graduated with a M.R.E. degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Rev. Turnley completed his studies for a B. S. in Civil Engineering at Stanton University and finished the surveying and mapping course at International Correspondence School.

He became a Christian at Anchorage, Alaska in 1956. Since then, he has served on the staffs of several churches across the nation. In Alaska, he was the interim manager of a Baptist children's home and was an interim State Educational Secretary. He served as Minister of Religious Education at First Baptist Church in Anchorage, Alaska.

He is an active member of several professional clubs and societies including: Engineering Society of Pennsylvania, National Society of Engineers, Society of American Military Engineers, Ozona Lions Club, Ozona V.F.W., American Legion, D.A.V., Marine Corps League, Marine Corps Association, Kiwanis Club, U.S.A.F. Association, National Association for Ministers of Education, National Association for Retired Persons.

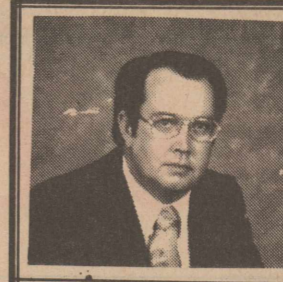
No decisions have been made yet on his future plans.

Prayer for Life scheduled Tuesday

There will be a Prayer for Life candlelight service Tuesday, January 21, at 7:30 p.m. on the town square. The event is sponsored by the Ministerial Association and local churches.

The assembly is to witness love and respect for human life in all stages of its growth from conception to natural death.

Wednesday, January 22, is the 13th anniversary of the Supreme Court decision on legalizing abortion on demand in the United States.



A Preacher's Pondering

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It was just a short time ago, December 7, 1983, to be exact, that a tragedy occurred on the fog shrouded runways at Madrid's Barajas Airport. Two planes, a Boeing 727 and a DC-9, preparing for take-off, crashed "on the ground" killing a total of 104 people. As you can imagine, the crash scene was one of horror. One of the pilots survived, and as he climbed out of the wreckage, he was heard to say, "It was my runway! It was my runway!" Nevertheless, death reigned at that terrible scene - the confusion, the twisted metal, the smoke, and the screams all highlighted its rigid reality. Who or what is to blame? The fog? The pilots? The personnel in the control tower? The lack of sufficient radar equipment to track planes on the ground? A combination of these things? As with all such accidents, an investigation was initiated, and, hopefully, answers will come forth that will help prevent such accidents in the future.

There is a heavy fog of religious division that has settled over our society today. Many people, trying to seek those things above, have attempted to take-off in this blinding condition. A spiritual clash often results, and, if you listen closely, you can hear "It is my right! It is my right!" Yet, sin and confusion reign at the scene. Who or what is the cause of such tragedy? We must seek answers! We must investigate the Word of God to find the way to avoid such catastrophes in the future.

This analogy applies more than you might think, or more than you care to admit. Many souls are

perishing "on the ground" because they are rushing their own way in a condition that doesn't allow them to see others who are also trying to "take off". The screams, smoke, and sadness of spiritual wreckage surround us.

Religious division is indeed a fog that makes vision impossible. A tool of Satan, it hides the truth of the gospel (2 Cor. 4:4), blasphemes the prayer of Christ (John 17), and mocks Christianity in general. Jesus was lifted up to draw all men to Him. The Scriptures, the Word of God, while holding the necessary depth to "let an elephant bathe" also has the capacity to "let a gnat swim". In other words, it gives needed refreshment and cleansing to all. It is not the Divine Truth itself that has muddied its mighty message - it is the theories of men that have obscured its priceless pearl.

So what is the answer? How do we eliminate the fog of religious division and meet at the foot of the cross? I have no desire to dictate, but I suggest these things:

We listen to God! It's not my way or your way that leads to Life. A "Thus saith the Lord" must underlie all our words and actions.

We obey Christ! Jesus said, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but through Me" (John 14:6).

We love all! We can't love God if we can't love each other (please take time to read 1 John chapter 4).

The way to burn off the fog of religious division seems relatively simple - we must open our ears to God, our hearts to Christ, and our arms to one another.

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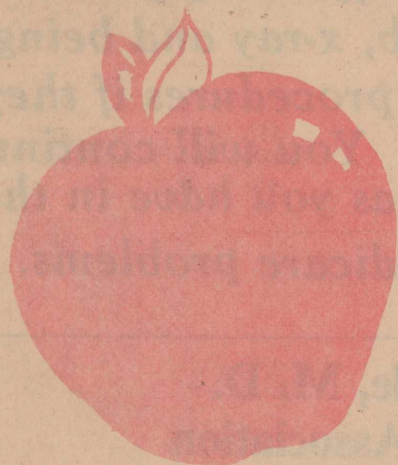
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