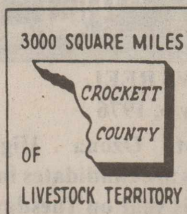


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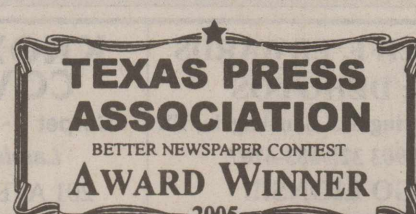
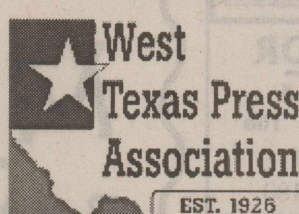
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STATE CHAMPS!



Submitted photo

THE OZONA HIGH SCHOOL COMPUTER SCIENCE PLACED FIRST this past weekend at the State UIL Academic Meet in Austin. Team members are: (left to right) Levi English, Tori Miller, Coach Rod Miller, Puja Bhakta and Matthew Bullard. Levi English placed second as an individual on the written multiple choice part of the test. Placing at the state meet in Class AA Computer Science: 1. Ozona with 821 points; 2. Refugio with 762 points and 3. Blanco with 615 points. Ozona High School has won state in Computer Science four out of the last six years. CONGRATULATIONS!

Commissioners adjust softball park budget

By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher

The Crockett County Commissioners made more adjustments to the softball field project during Monday's monthly meeting.

After discussion, the commissioners approved to cut \$35,000 that was to be used for a sprinkler system, \$7,500 for bleachers and \$10,000 for a concession stand making the grand total for the project coming to about \$129,044. The previous grand total for the softball field was around \$180,000.

The commissioners also decided to move \$65,000 from the collection center maintenance, collection center waste and building and maintenance funds, along with \$3,444 from

park salaries for the finishing of the softball field this year. The adjustments do include spending \$11,000 on restrooms.

Roland De Hoyos, a member of the Adult Softball League that will use the park, said that restrooms are necessary for the park this year.

The money for the ball field is coming out of the county's general fund. At a special meeting on April 20, the commissioners amended the budget to move \$317,000 from tax collector's fees, tobacco settlement and airport-grant matching project to play for the new swimming pool and the ball field.

Around \$59,400 from this money has been budgeted for the ball field and \$46,500 of that has already been spent, leaving around \$13,000 for the ball field.

"We weren't anticipating spending very much money and since then (the softball field) has grown into being a monumental disaster," said County Judge Johnny Jones.

"I sure knew we weren't going to move the ball field for nothing," added Road and Maintenance Supervisor Eddie Moore. "We didn't build this thing overnight. We had three or four months down there. You could have stopped it anytime. You were in the loop on this."

"The rush put us in a bind," said Commissioner Pleas Childress III. Also approved by the commissioners, was that anything purchased costing more than \$7,500 is now required to get approval from the commissioners.

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Celebrating Cinco de Mayo



Photos by Joe Hernandez

CINCO DE MAYO King Matthew Pena and Queen Josae Coy (top), students on parade and the first place float. More on page 8.

Puttin' on the Ritz at the Chamber Banquet



Photos by Melissa Perner

2006 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BANQUET PHOTOS (from top to bottom) Duke Energy employees won the best decorated table, Roberta Schoenhals and Mr. and Mrs. Vitela (who celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary and Shannon Hunnicutt who was the big winner at the silent auction bidding \$2,000 on the Republic of Texas map picture. More pictures on page 8.

OHS OUTSTANDING ATHLETES

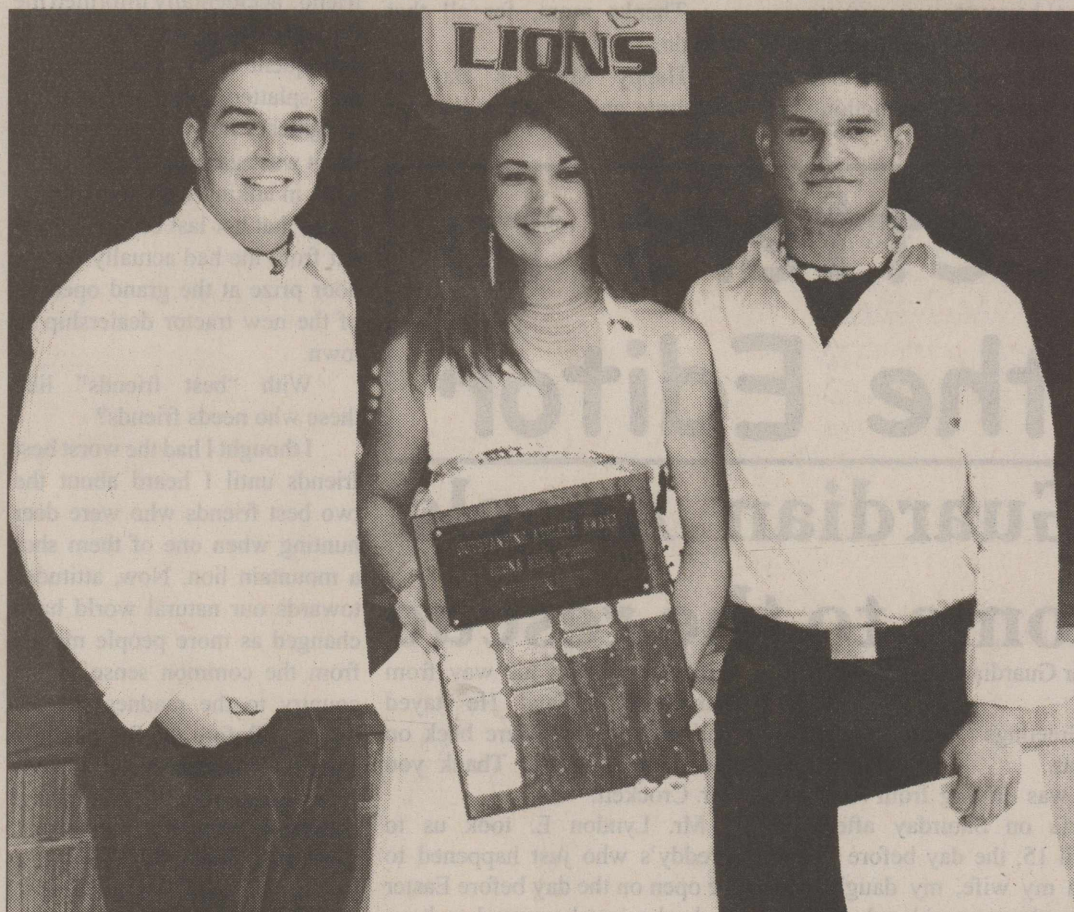


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OZONA HIGH SCHOOL OUTSTANDING ATHLETES are (left to right) Drew Clayton, Jessica Moore and Jared Espino. The students received the awards during the OHS Athletic Banquet on May 1 at the Civic Center. More banquet photos can be found on pages 6 and 7.

Road improvements to begin May 15 in Ozona

By KAREN A. THRELKELD
TxDOT Public Information Officer

Texas Department of Transportation contractor, Reece Albert will begin placing construction signs in the downtown area on May 15 in preparation for work that will improve the two state roads riding surfaces, and improve pedestrian accessibility in the area.

In mid-May thru mid-June, curb ramps will be installed outside of the downtown area, a new sidewalk along SH 163 in front of the square will be built, and the sidewalk will be rebuilt

in a variety of spots along the east side of 5th and 6th Streets. The dip at 4th Street will also be reshaped to allow for better drainage.

Beginning in mid-June and continuing through July, the surface of State Highway 163 from Gurley Draw to 1st Street and 11th Street from the Hitching Post Steak House to the Travel Lodge, will be milled and replaced with a new hot mix asphalt surface.

Lane widths will be temporarily restricted to 12 feet during milling and paving operations.

Work will also consist of

an assortment of other improvements: installing sidewalks along the frontage road on the south side of I-10; designating a bike lane on the shoulders of SH 163 between the new Visitor's Center and the south town limit; and providing new bridge rail on SH 163 over Gurley Draw.

Additionally, more than 200 route, directional, and speed limit signs will be replaced.

The new sign panels, which will be placed on existing posts, will be an upgrade to existing signs.

This project is expected to be complete in August 2006.

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What's on My Mind

By Melissa Perner

Just for Mom

Thanks for all that you do

Mom. Just saying the word makes me want to pick up the phone and give her a call. A habit I do often frequently.

Whenever I have problem, I often reach for the phone and immediately call mom.

I remember everyday after school, even when I got in high school, I would come home, sit at the kitchen table and talk to mom.

Mom always had the perfect answer to everything. I'm sure I didn't think so then, but now when I look back it mom was always right.

That thought does make me kind of said knowing all the minutes and hours I wasted by arguing with her because in the end she was right, just as she is still right.

When you're little, mom is there to give you hugs, to pick you up when you fall down and to cheer you on in all those activities. My mom was there for all that.

Mom even lived through those two years of piano lessons and all those hours of practicing. She lived through the clarinet, baritone and then percussion. Music to her ears, even on the wrong notes she would say. That's mom!

Mom was there for every band concert, stock show and school banquet.

When she wasn't there, the first person I would call after we'd won or done something big was mom.

When I turned 18, and thought I knew everything there was to know about the world, I couldn't wait to get out on my own.

When I had my first "real world" crisis, the first person I called was mom.

I still call her after I return home from traveling.

I call on her when I need a shoulder to cry on or just someone to vent to when I've had those bad days. She's good at all of those things.

Who needs to go to counseling when you've got mom?

She calls when something pops into her mind, gives me things she finds interesting and often gives me a critique on my paper. She even points out my mistakes.

Lots of people have asked me how do I feel now that my mom is living here in town.

How do I feel! It's great! Now, all I have to do is rush down the street when a new crisis pops up.

Since I'm around my mom more, and because I'm older, I can start to see how much my mom and I are alike.

I notice her little quirks more and realize "Oh, that's where I get that from." It's true, you do turn out to be just like your mom.

Thanks mom, for all that you do.

Happy Mother's Day to my mom and all the moms out there.

Community Calendar

May 10 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.

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

• OHS Academic Awards, 6 p.m. at the OHS Auditorium.

May 11 - Ladies bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.

• OHS Band Banquet, 6:30 p.m. at the Civic Center.

May 12 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.

May 13 - Shrimp Fest, 4 p.m. at the town square.

• Texas Junior Bull Riders Association Rodeo, 4-8 p.m. at the rodeo arena.

May 14 - Mother's Day

May 15 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.

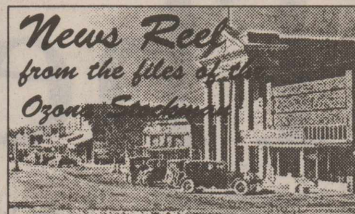
• Ladies bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.

May 16 - Ozona Schools Spring Band Concert, 6:30 p.m. at the OHS Auditorium.

May 17 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.

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

• CCCCSD Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Building on 797 Avenue D.



NEWS REEL

May 6, 1976

Fifty-eight Ozona High School Seniors are candidates for graduation this year on Tuesday, May 18 at the OHS Auditorium.

Paving begins on I-10 project through Ozona. The first black top was put down Monday on 14th Street, which is one of the access roads.

Ozona Firemen picked up two second place trophies and one third place at the Hill Country Firemen's Association Meeting in Mason last month. Those participating were: Steve Kenley, Scottie Houston, Jack Jones, James Montgomery, Bob Harris, Doyle Lovell, Gregory Stuart, Mr. and Mrs. Dee Keilers and Mrs. Myra Jones.

NEWS REEL

MAY 8, 1947

Mrs. Pleas Childress and Mrs. T.J. Bailey will be hostesses at a barbecue supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pleas Childress. The supper is being given by the Ozona Woman's Club in honor of their husbands.

Mrs. Massie West and Mrs. Evart White are in Dallas this week for a visit with their daughters Joyce West and Barbara White, attending Southern Methodist University.

(Best of) It's the Pitts

by Lee Pitts

The Worst Best Friend

As a Cub Scout it was my "best friend" who unintentionally informed the Den Mother that it was I who carved our troop number (205) in her antique mahogany coffee table. The Den Mother, who happened to also be my mom, promptly took away my new Cub Scout knife. In High School my "best friend" accidentally informed the Principal that I was the juvenile delinquent who threw the egg that splattered egg yolk on his daughter's new dress. Later in life it was again my "best buddy" who, in talking with my wife, let it slip that her last birthday present from me had actually been a door prize at the grand opening of the new tractor dealership in town.

With "best friends" like these who needs friends?

I thought I had the worst best friends until I heard about the two best friends who were deer hunting when one of them shot a mountain lion. Now, attitudes towards our natural world have changed as more people moved from the common sense of the country to the madness of the big city. Before the Sierra Club, Nature Conservancy and Greenpeace began to enlighten us and meddle in Mother Nature's business some animals, weeds and fish were perceived differently than they are now. I remember as a kid going every year to a reservoir in the high Sierras with my grandparents to fish for trout. One summer our vacation plans were altered because the Fish and Game Department agreed with fishermen that suckers were trash fish. So they completely drained the reservoir to kill all the suckers and then allowed the reservoir to refill before restocking it with real fish. Now that same agency is trampling on citizen's rights in an effort to "save" those same suckers that they tried to make extinct.

Likewise, a couple decades ago mountain lions were seen as a threat to pets, livestock, kids and joggers. But after an intense public relations campaign lions are now a threatened species that must be protected at all costs. The problem is that not everyone got

the memo... like the best friend who shot and killed the mountain lion. The hunter soon found himself shackled, strip searched and berated by the law enforcement officials who read him his rights. With the dead lion stretched out on the bed of the hunter's pickup the lion killer's "best friend" piped up and said to the officers, "I don't know what the big deal is. It's not like he hasn't done it before."

The problem is that rules change but some folks don't. Like society's attitude towards drinking and driving. Whereas drinking and driving is now a serious and life altering offense, that wasn't always the case. Heck, I know one state where bars used to offer "to-go" cups for an unfinished beer. But drinking and driving is now a very serious offense. As it should be. There is nothing funny about drunk driving.

John changed with the times but not the cow buyer that he used to haul to a weekly cattle auction several hours away from home. Once after a sale they stopped at a local watering hole to get a bite to eat before making the lengthy journey. Whereas John only had one glass of wine his cow buying friend belied up to the bar and painted his tonsils to alleviate any discomforts of the upcoming long drive home.

John was not guilty of driving drunk but he was guilty of driving over the speed limit and was pulled over for the offense. The Highway Patrolman and John had concluded their negotiations as to how fast he'd been driving when the officer seemed to take an interest in John's cow buying buddy who was NOT in the full upright position in the passenger seat. When the officer awakened the cow buyer he asked him what he'd been up to. The cow buyer sleepily pointed to John and with breath that would tarnish metal he said, "I've been drinking with him."

I swear this is the truth... the cop then put the sober John in the back of his cruiser and had the drunk cow buyer drive John's car and follow them to the station.

Letters to the Editor

'Guardian Angels' come to the rescue

Dear Guardian Angels:

Greetings from far West Texas.

I was driving from Austin to Marfa on Saturday afternoon. April 15, the day before Easter, with my wife, my daughter-in-law and my granddaughter in my 1998 Tahoe when the alternator went out some 20 miles east of Ozona on Interstate-10.

I called the Texas State Troopers telephone number on the back of my Texas Drivers License. They asked where we were. I said mile marker 386. They said stand by. Thank you Troopers.

Mr. Davy Crockett (of Midland) stopped and shepherded us until Adios Wrecker came from Ozona to pick us up and took us to Preddy's Tire Service. Mr.

Crockett was on his way from Sonora to Midland. He stayed with us until we were back on the road to Marfa. Thank you Mr. Crockett.

Mr. Lyndon E. took us to Preddy's who just happened to be open on the day before Easter and who just happened to have the parts we needed. Preddy's had us back on the road in short order. Thank you Mr. Lyndon and all the good folks at Preddy's.

I just wanted to say thank you. We spent the night in our own home in Marfa that night because of you. We were very tired but we were home.

Thank you. We said a prayer of thanks for all of you that night.

Sincerely,

Ken Whitley
Marfa, Texas

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Photos by Joe Hernandez

DUKE ENERGY SUPERVISORS became waiters on May 4 at the Café Next Door. All the tips they received were donated for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life.

Duke Energy to sell fried fish plates Thursday at the square

Duke Energy Field Services will be selling fried fish plates at the town square at 11:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 11 until everything is sold out.

The plates will be \$5.00. All proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society Relay for Life.

Raffle tickets will also be sold for a \$1 donation for a chance at one of four turkey fryers or a Cabela's 150 quart cooler.

Texas Junior Bull Riding event Saturday at rodeo arena

The Texas Junior Bull Riders will host a bull riding for ages 4-9 on Saturday, May 13 at the Crockett County Rodeo Arena.

Books open at 4:30 p.m. and close at 6:30 p.m. Performances start at 7 p.m. Anyone can ride.

Events - Mutton Bustin' ages 6 and under; Calf riding ages 8 and under; Jr. Steers 10

er. A donation of \$2 will get you a chance to win a Fisherman Pro 14-foot Kayak.

The response to the Duke management as guest wait staff at the Café Next Door on May 4 was a huge success for the American Cancer Society.

DEFS thanks everyone who donated and invites all to stop by the square and have lunch on Thursday.

under; Sr. Steers 12 and under; Pee Wee Bulls 14 and under; Jr. Bulls 16 and under and Sr. Bulls 19 and under.

Buckles and added money in all age groups.

For entries and fee information, call Christy Vasquez at 392-5890 or Oscar or Annette at (432) 362-1009 or (432) 664-0321.

Ozona Senior Happenings

By LYNN ENGLISH
Senior Center Director

We are now in the process of getting May done. There are award banquets, Senior High School prom and then 2006 High School graduation. The grandkids are keeping us busy this week.

We will have a Pot Luck, Wednesday, May 10. A representative from Humana will be here bringing information about Medicare Part D and can sign up anyone who has not done so.

We know for sure that Al Fields is doing better since Betty joined us exercising on Monday while Al had coffee with his friends at his house. Al, we hope you keep getting better and we are happy to have Betty back with us.

Our friend, Richard Storms who comes to the Senior Center when we have a problem that he can fix is having a birthday this week. Happy Birthday Rick, and we wish you many more.

Returning to bridge last week were Liz Williams and Eileen Childress. Liz had been in the hospital and Eileen lost a battle with a water hose. We are very happy to have you both back with us.

Visiting at the Crockett County Senior Center was Pat Nicks to bring in a check in memory of G.E. Jarvis. We don't see Pat out much since Freddie Nicks died. We were so happy to see Pat and hope she comes to visit us again soon. Pat also donated some plastic utensils to the Senior Center for which we thank her.

Several senior citizens will travel to San Angelo, Thursday, May 11 to the annual "Spring Fling." This event is one we look forward to every year. There is much information available for those who attend and I would en-

courage anyone that can to go.

If you need transportation to the Crockett County Senior Center call Lynn English at 392-9094. I will arrange a ride for you.

We have a number of books to select from in our new book case. We also have magazines and a few recipes. The book case was placed in the hall across from our small kitchen here at the Senior Center.

Our exercise class "Walk Two Miles" is still going very well. The exercises condition you to begin your day. We meet to exercise by walking every Monday, Tuesday, and Fridays at 8:30 a.m.

The group of the "Two Mile Walkers" that are "Walking Across Texas" are still in first place as of last Friday ahead of the "ONB Pacers" group who are in second place. Watch out "ONB Pacers." All of us gran-nies are hard to beat.

A group of 8 to 12 ladies are still coming to the Senior Center to play bridge looking bright and cheerful in their pretty frocks. They are playing bridge every Monday and Thursday afternoons at 1:30 pm here at the Crockett County Senior Center. The ladies who come have such fun and bring smiles with them. Come by and let them cheer up your Mondays and Thursdays.

If you are a pool player we have a good pool table in the back room. Call your friends and get a game set up one afternoon. If you would like to teach pool here at the center please call Lynn English at 392-9094.

Hope to see you at our activities.

Softball meeting May 17

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May 11 - Paul C. Perner IV, Linda Anderson, Rick Storms, Francisco S. Moran, John Kelley and Kyle Webb

May 12 - Cora Harrison Selena Moran and Cathy English

May 13 - Krislyn Borrego, Antonio Carreon and Ebony Ramirez

May 14 - Miguel Camarillo

May 15 - Marge Smith, Al Fields, Juan Mendez Jr., Melony Moran, Jesus Esparza, Alejandra Camarillo, Libby Moore, Blair Chandler, Rylee Ramos and Blair Chandler

May 16 - Lori DeHoyos, Vanessa Guadarrama, Elva Ortiz and Stephanie Galindo

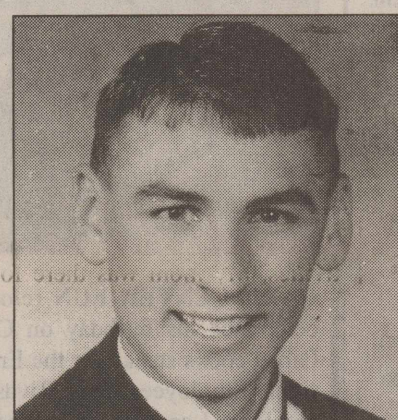
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Red Hat Society News

The Scarlet Bonnets will be meeting on May 16 for a "Going Away Party" for Diane Gleghorn. It will be at the Crockett Room at 6 p.m. Everyone needs to bring a salad. I (Julia Holmes) will provide the plates, napkins, forks, glasses. Hope everyone will get to come. If you need any information please call Julia Holmes 392-3896.

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Care Center Chatter

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

This past week has passed by really fast and it's only the first part of May. Where does the time go?

We welcome new volunteer Jo Ann Babbitt to our facility.

On Monday afternoon E.A. Wadsworth RN had her reading class. Our residents really enjoy these classes. Thank you E.A.

Tuesday afternoon Brother John Collis and Audrey Glynn had our Baptist Bible Study. Thank you.

Wednesday afternoon our residents look forward to our lovely lady Judy Reagan to sing and do a little dancing for our residents. Thank you, Judy.

Thursday 24 of our residents took part in volleyball. This game has really been enjoyed by our residents. You should come by and check us out.

Our volunteer beauty shop volunteers were Nell Webster, Jo Ann Babbitt, and Rachel Ybarra. Thank you. Our ladies always look lovely.

On Friday, CCCC resident, Catarino Cervantez was honored by family friend, Bee, on his

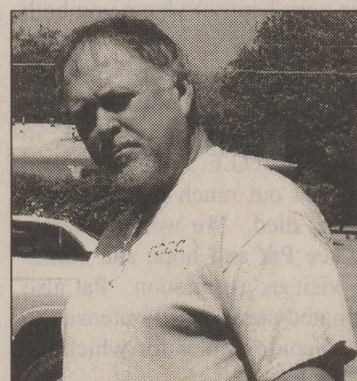
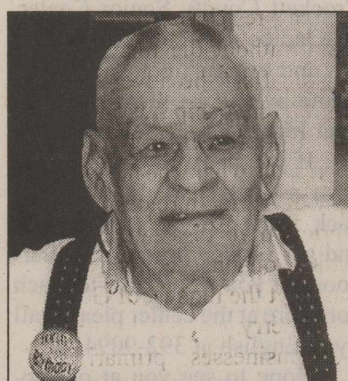
birthday on Cinco De Mayo.

CCCC employees, Flor Longoria, Yeismg Rodriguez, Maria Arredondo, and Rosy Riva, from dietary and house-keeping performed their Mexican dancing. What a show these four ladies did with all their dress attire. Thank you ladies for volunteering your talents for our residents.

Mexican water was made by Eva Ramirez of the dietary and wedding cookies were made by the Administration office. Chips and cheese dip were provided by Maggie Galan and Marta DeLa Garza of housekeeping. Flo Longoria brought hot sauce and volunteer, Rachel Ybarra brought sopapillas.

Serving were resident Francis Flanagan, volunteer JoAnn Babbitt and Nell Webster, and employee Belia Reyes. Words can't express how grateful we are to have these special people. Thank you all. It is very much appreciated by everyone in the facility. Cinco De Mayo will be remembered for sometime.

Thanks go to the Ozona Methodist Church and the Church of Christ for their services on this past Sunday.



Submitted photos
CARE CENTER FUN (clockwise) Resident Catarino Cervantez celebrated his birthday on Cinco de Mayo; Administrator Benny Gibbs cooks steaks for the Employee Appreciation Day and (left to right) Employees Rosy Rivas, Yeismg Rodriguez, Maria Arredondo and Flore Longoria performed Mexican dancing on Cinco de Mayo.

Obituaries

Dana Lynn Morris



Our Father opened the sky in Heaven to welcome Dana Lynn Morris, age 50, after a lengthy battle with lung cancer on May 03, 2006. Dana was born in Kansas on Oct. 11, 1955, to Edward Preston and Alice Pearl Collett. As a young girl her family moved various times throughout Kansas, Florida, Montana and Texas, while her father served as a Border Patrol Officer. Dana graduated High School from Ozona in 1973.

After graduation she attended Columbia Business College in Odessa. Through her travels in this life on Earth she touched many hearts.

Dana leaves behind one of the best parts of her life, Donnie Morris, in which she had an undying love for. They were soul mates in this life and will be again.

Dana loved her children dearly and her grandchildren were the center of her universe.

Dana is very loved and will leave a large empty place in many hearts. Preceding her in death; her mother Alice Pearl Collett, sister Michelle Camp and father Edward Preston Collett. Survived by her husband, Donnie Morris, daughter, Heath-

er and son-in-law Ryan Silfies of California, son, Preston Lee McAllister of Alaska, sister, Brenda and her husband Carl Bagley of Texas, brother, Will Collett of Texas and five joyful grandchildren; Lynze Alice Silfies 8, Hagen Lee McAllister 8, Hunter Scott McAllister 5, Heath Edward McAllister 3, and Hannah Bright 6.

Services were held Sunday, May 7, 2006, at Grimes Funeral Chapel in Bandera with Rev. Becky Powell officiating.

You are invited to send condolences to the family at www.grimesfuneralchapel.com by selecting the "Send condolences" link. Arrangements are entrusted to Grimes Funeral Chapel of Bandera.

Levis & Lace News

By **TINA JARVIS**
Levis and Lace Square Dancer

Tuesday night club members Leroy and Carol Adcock, Nell Wester, JoAnn Babbitt, Jim Couch and Renee Padier had lessons with Danny and Tammi Monzingo, Tesla and Barbara Jean Caperton and our other student.

Carol taught them some more call and put them through their paces on the calls that they had been taught the week before,

everyone is doing great.

Our next dance will be Saturday at 8 p.m. at the Senior Building featuring caller Tom Harrison from Abilene.

Birthdays to be celebrated at this dance are for Renee Padier (5/7) and Dale Bebee (5/28) and Tom and Debbie Harrison will be celebrating their first anniversary at this dance.

Everyone is welcome to come out and join the fun.

Keep it square and happy dancing!

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Mothers are a special gift from God for the family. They have shown us that special love, unconditional and sacrificial, time and time again just as God has shown us a special love, (Romans 5:8, Psalm 36:5&7). We are to show our mothers love and respect, (Exodus 20:12) just as we are to love and respect God, (Deuteronomy 6:5). This week let's call or send a card or flowers or take them to dinner or go visit them. We may even make our own little card that tells them how much we love and appreciate them. It may not be our mother but a stepmother, mother-in-law, grandmother, great-grandmother or just someone that is special in our life. We could offer up a prayer of thanksgiving to God for them. We might go to Church with them or take them to Church with us. Just don't forget them!

See you in Church next Sunday.

Brother J

First Baptist Church 901 Ave. D Rev. John Collis Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting - 6:30 p.m. Awanas: Wednesday - 5:30 p.m.	Ozona Church of Christ 1002 11th St. Mr. Johnnie Perkins Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:00 p.m. Sun. Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.	Ozona United Methodist Church 12 - 11th St. Rev. John Fluth Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.
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By Miles Dabovich, CEA-AG/NR

Information about the West Nile virus

How many kinds of mosquitoes are in the United States?

Why do mosquitoes bite?

What disease-causing microorganisms can mosquitoes transmit?

What is the most effective way to prevent mosquito bites and control mosquitoes at home?

Mosquitoes have always been a nuisance but with the spread of West Nile virus, they have also become an important public health concern. Although the West Nile virus mainly infects birds, it can be transmitted to humans and other animals by certain species of mosquitoes that take blood meals from both birds and humans. The bite from just one infected mosquito is all that is needed to transfer the disease.

In humans, West Nile virus disease symptoms vary from no visible effect to flu-like symptoms, paralysis, or even death. All age groups are susceptible, but the elderly and those with weakened immune systems are more likely to experience severe forms of the disease.

Public mosquito control programs have been started in many cities and towns across the country. Even the best mosquito control program will only reduce the risk from West Nile virus. Wherever you live, personal protection against mosquito bites is your best approach.

Since 1999, in the United States more than 60 mosquito species have been found in West Nile virus positive mosquito pools. These are pools from which West Nile was isolated, West Nile RNA detected, or West Nile antigen was detected using a variety of diagnostic tests. Although a mosquito species found positive for the virus in nature may potentially be a

carrier, further tests are usually needed to determine if the species is efficient in transmitting the virus to humans.

Adult female mosquitoes need blood to produce eggs and perpetuate their species. Although they can survive by feeding on sugary liquids, it is only after a blood meal that they start producing eggs. Only female mosquitoes bite. Male mosquitoes feed on sugars found in fruits and flowers.

Mosquitoes looking for a blood meal are mainly attracted to carbon dioxide in the breath, body heat, and sweat of humans. Lactic acid and numerous other scents emitted by the human skin have also been found attractive to mosquitoes. Individuals who produce more body heat, sweat, carbon dioxide, and lactic acid will be more attractive to mosquitoes.

Birds, horses, cattle, dogs, cats, rabbits, squirrels, and other animals are fed upon by mosquitoes. It is when mosquitoes bite different hosts that disease-causing microorganisms may spread.

Arboviruses such as the West Nile virus, western equine encephalitis virus, and Saint Louis encephalitis virus are perhaps the most important microorganisms that mosquitoes transmit in the United States. In other parts of the world, mosquitoes are carriers of parasites that cause human malaria, filariasis, dengue fever, Japanese encephalitis, yellow fever, and others.

The West Nile virus is a disease that primarily affects birds. It may be transmitted by mosquitoes from infected birds to other hosts such as humans or horses. The West Nile virus has not been shown to be transmitted from human to human, horses to humans, or horses to horses. Thus,

the West Nile virus is carried by various species and spread by mosquitoes.

Insect repellents are recommended as the best way for one to protect them from mosquito bites when involved in outdoor activities. Repellents act by making a person "undesirable" for feeding or in other words the repellents masks the gases and scents known to be attractive to mosquitoes.

DEET and Picaridin are recommended to be applied to the skin and permethrin applied on the clothing. DEET and Picaridin repel mosquitoes while pyrethrum actually kills mosquitoes on contact.

Using DEET or Picaridin alone or pyrethrum alone will not be as effective as using the two in combination. However, using DEET or Picaridin alone may be sufficient for most outdoor activities such as going to the park, mowing the lawn, gardening, or relaxing in the backyard. Individuals who will be outdoors for an extended period of time, like hunters and campers, are encouraged to use the combination of DEET or Picaridin and pyrethrum.

There are alternative repellents such as combinations of soybean oil, geranium oil and coconut oil and lemon eucalyptus that have been shown to repel mosquitoes, but only for short periods of time. Before using any repellent read and follow all label directions.

Mosquitoes lay eggs in standing water. Limit the number of places around your home for mosquitoes to breed by getting rid of items that hold water. Repair broken screens and windows on your home.

Support your community mosquito control programs.

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Disaster assistance available for small businesses

SACRAMENTO, Calif. - Small, non-farm businesses in 204 Texas counties (plus contiguous counties in Louisiana, New Mexico and Oklahoma) may now apply for low interest disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration.

The Texas counties include Crockett County.

These disaster loans offset economic losses because of reduced revenue to farmers and ranchers caused by severe drought conditions, above normal temperatures and wildfires, that occurred in the following 117 Texas primary counties beginning April 1, announced Alfred E. Judd, director of SBA's Disaster Field Operations Center - West.

Small businesses may qualify for Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDLs) of up to \$1.5 million to help meet financial obligations and operating expenses which could have been met had the disaster not occurred.

"Eligibility for these working capital loans is based on the financial impact of the disaster only and not on any actual property damage. These loans have an interest rate of 4 percent a maximum term of 30 years, and are restricted to small business without the financial ability to offset the adverse impact without hardship," Judd said.

By law, SBA makes EIDLs available when the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture designates an agricultural disaster. Secretary Mike Johanns declared this disaster at the request of Governor Rick Perry.

Businesses primarily en-

gaged in farming or ranching are ineligible for SBA disaster assistance. Agricultural enterprises should contact the Farm Service Agency (FSA) about the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) assistance made available by the secretary's declaration. However, in drought disasters nurseries are eligible for SBA disaster assistance.

Information and applica-

tions forms may be obtained by calling toll-free 1-800-659-2955 or by visiting the SBA Web site at www.sba.gov/disaster.

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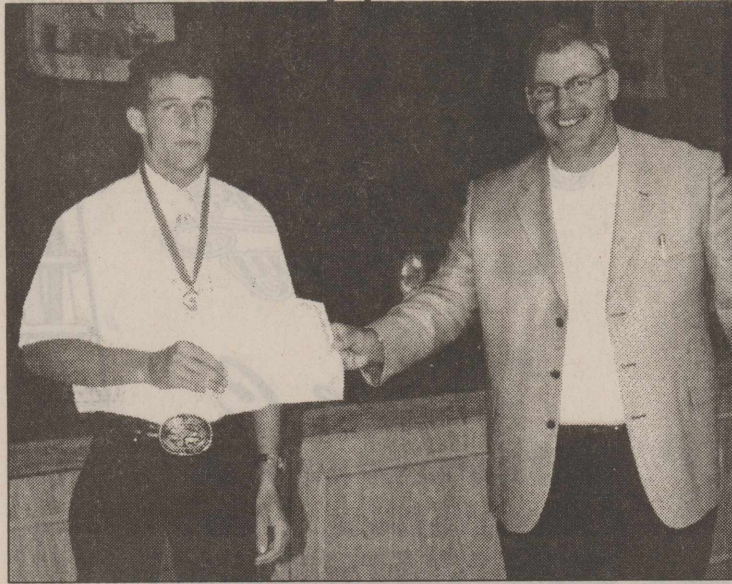
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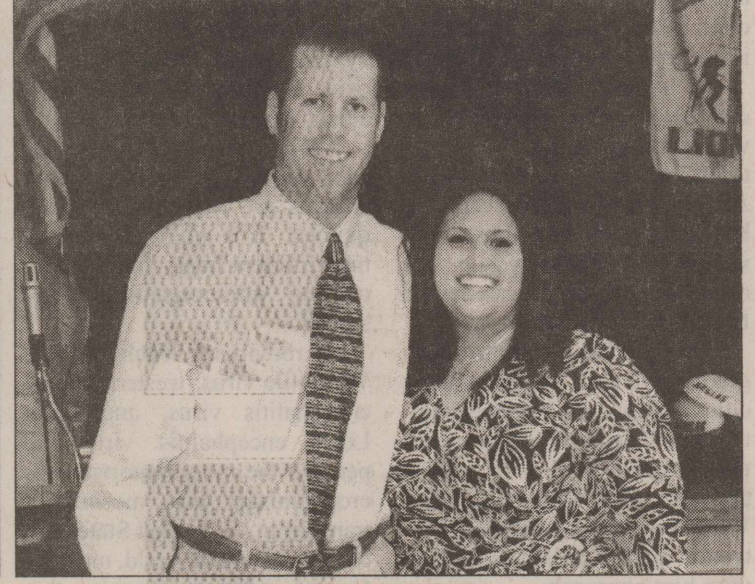
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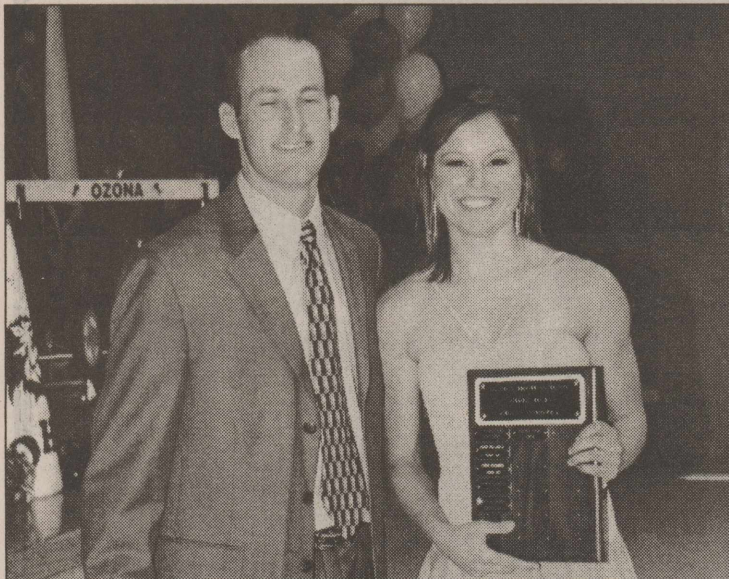
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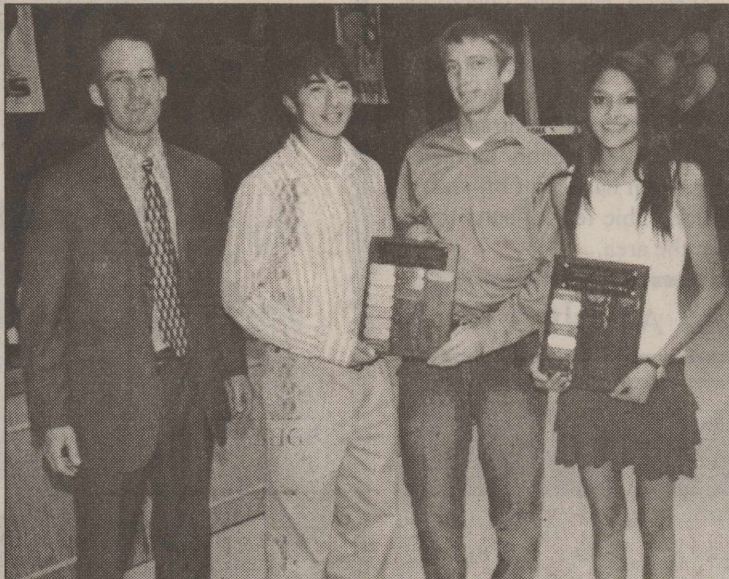
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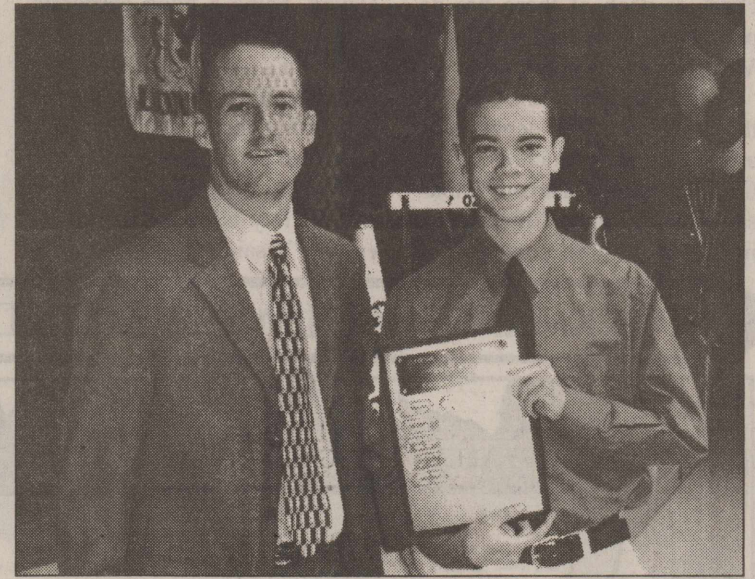
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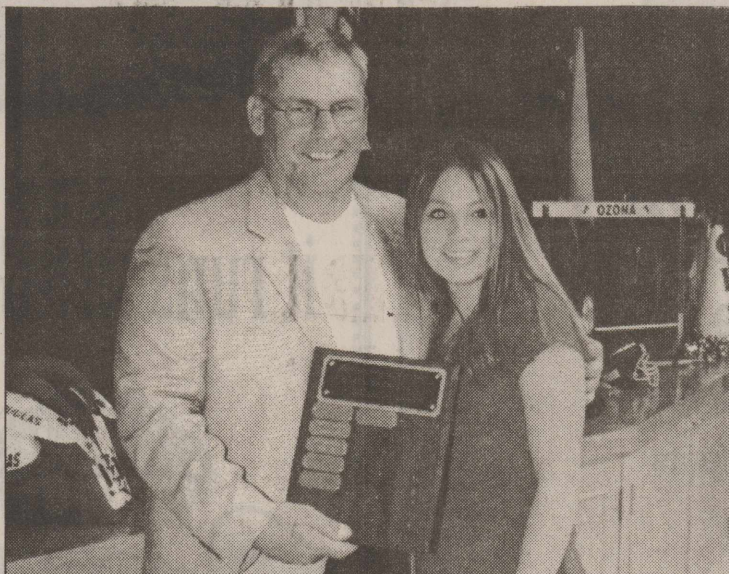
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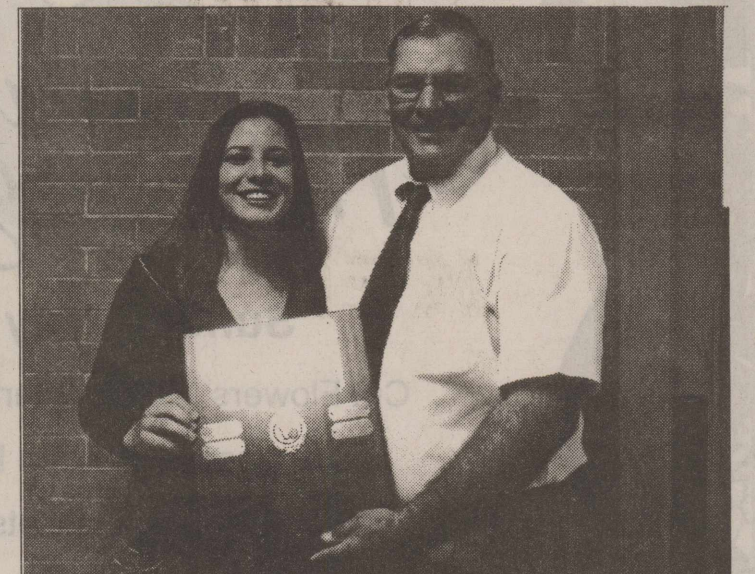
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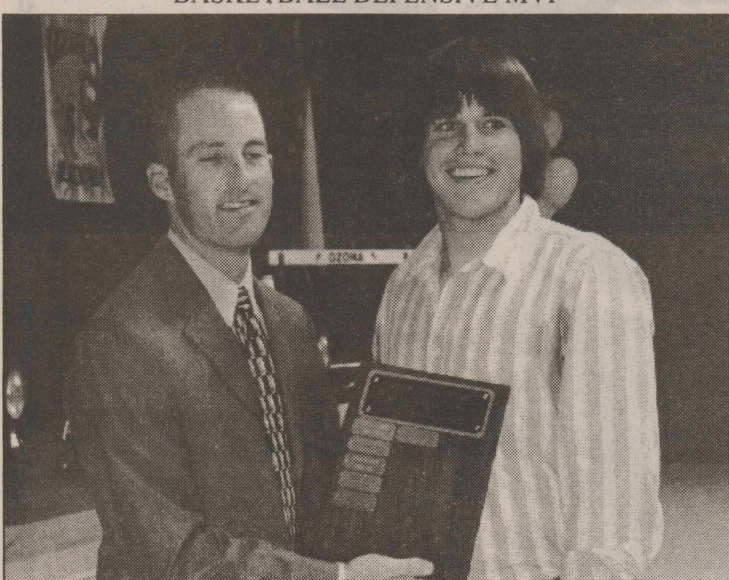
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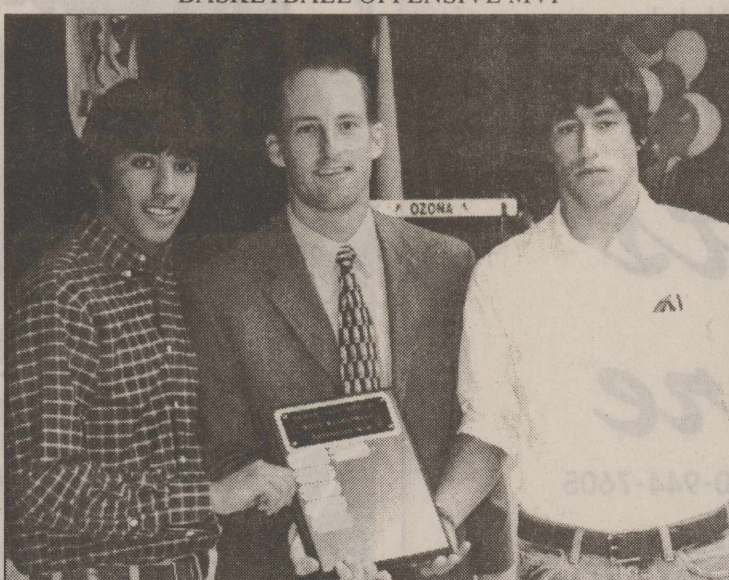
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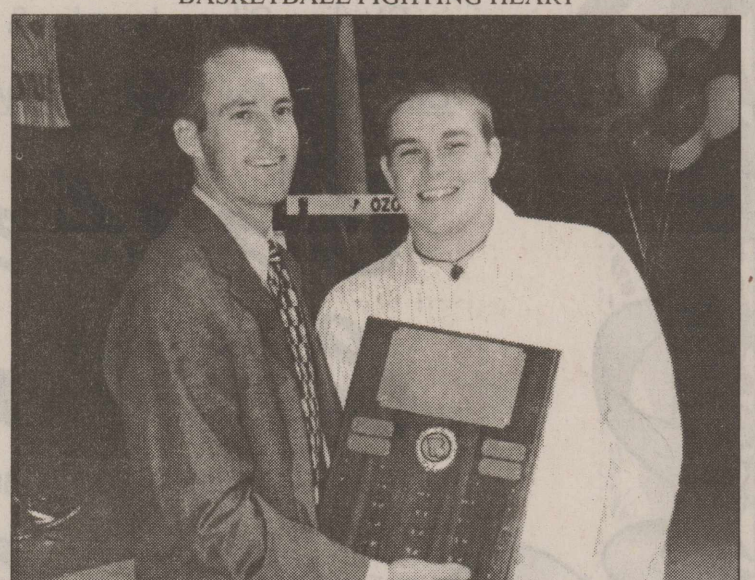
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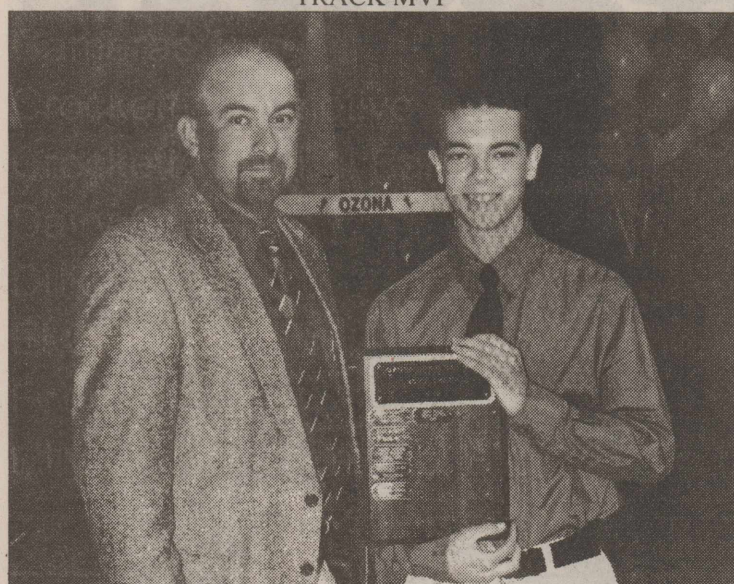
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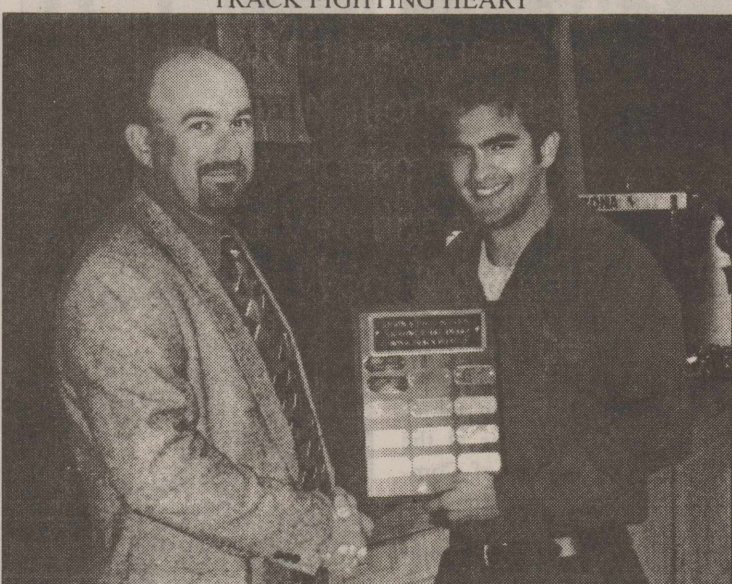
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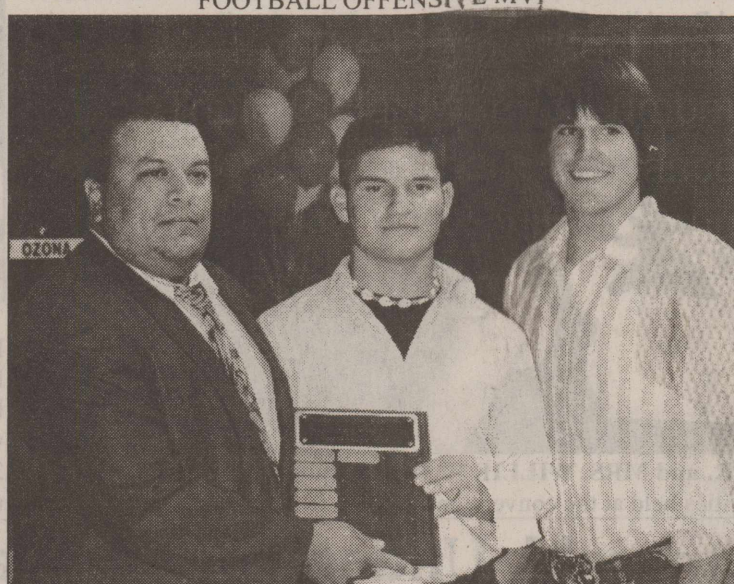
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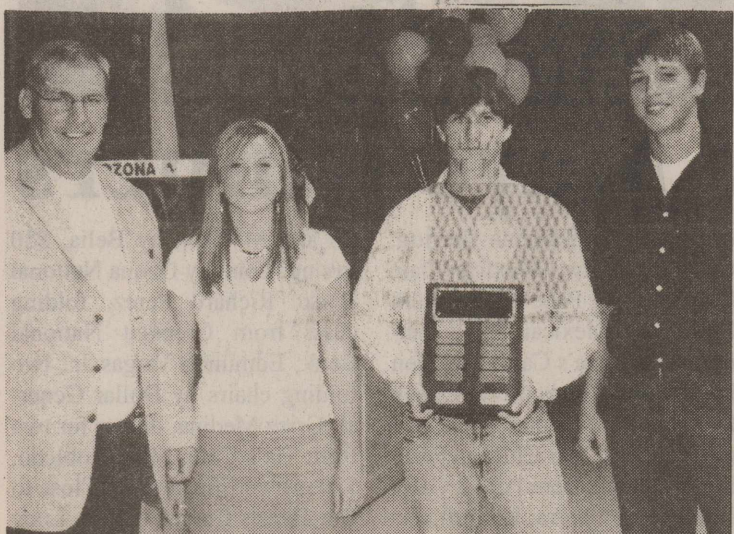
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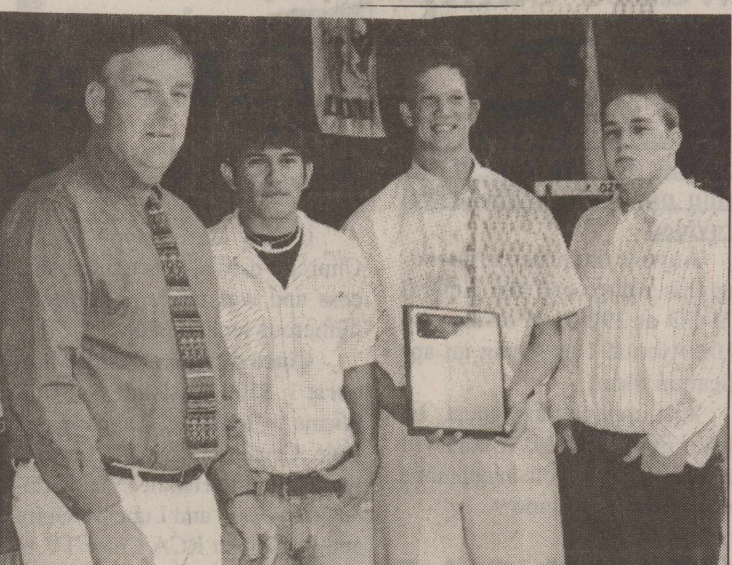
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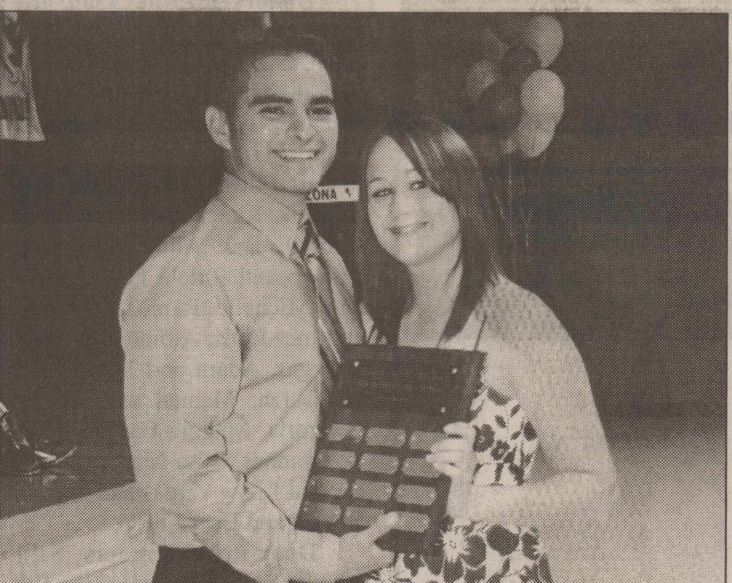
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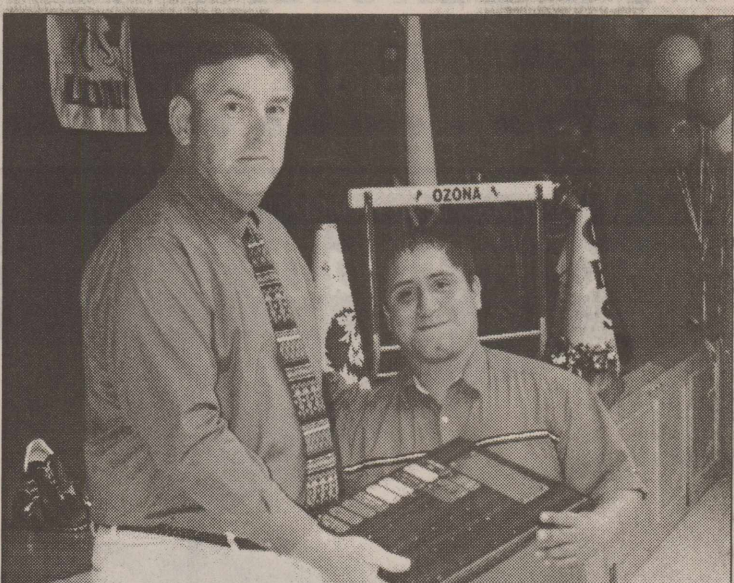
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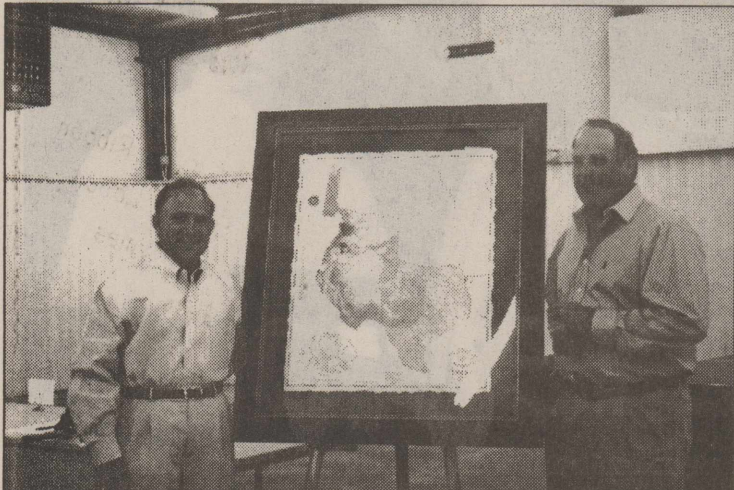
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Chamber banquet fun



MACK RICHIE (left) and **JOHN L. HENDERSON** won the second Republic of Texas map picture during the silent auction at the 2006 Ozona Chamber of Commerce Banquet.



MR. and MRS. WILLIE VARGAS smile during the banquet festivities held at the convention center.



DECORATED TABLES: (top) Duke Energy and West Texas Rehab spiced up their tables with festive decorations at the 2006 Ozona Chamber of Commerce Banquet last Saturday.



Photos by Joe Hernandez



Emerald Underground Water District seeking entries for annual water camp

The annual Texas State Youth Water Camp will take place July 9-13 at the George and Opal Bentley 4-H Center in Monahans.

The Emerald Underground Water Conservation District awards two individual \$1,000 scholarships each year to two high school seniors who reside in Crockett County. One of the eligibility requirements for the scholarship is that the students must have attended Texas State Water Camp.

The Emerald Underground

Water District will sponsor students from Crockett County to attend this year's Water Camp.

The week-long camp focuses on water quality and conservation education and features field trips, tours and hands-on group project work.

The camp invites 15 boys and 15 girls from all the state of Texas. Participants must be of high school age and have an interest in water quality and conservation and be willing to participate as a team member during the week-long camp. The

camp is not restricted to 4-H members.

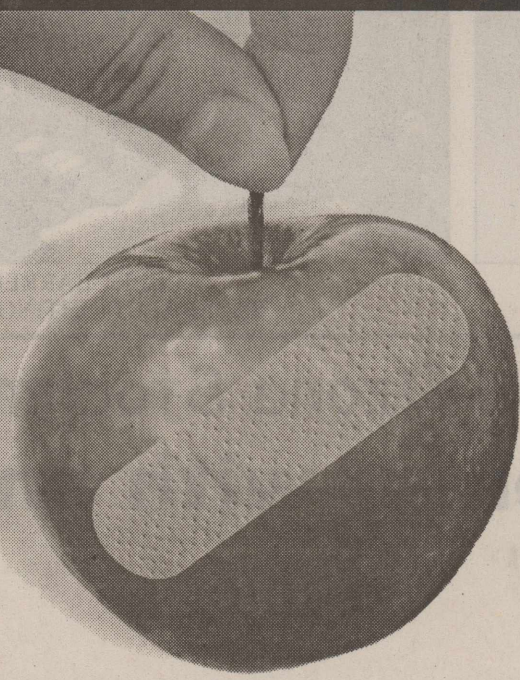
Cost of the camp is \$150. However, the Emerald UWCD will pay for the cost of the camp plus \$100 to the travel provider.

Anyone interested in attending this camp, call the Emerald UWCD at 392-5156 or stop by 1102 Avenue I to obtain an application form.

All applications must be turned in by May 26. Youths will be informed of their acceptance into the camp by June 9.

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Cinco de Mayo winners

Cinco de Mayo OLPH Church Festival was a great success and was made possible by numerous local businesses.

Cinco de Mayo Raffle Winners: 1. \$500 Wal-Mart Gift Certificate to Marka S. Dempsey, of Hale Center; 2. Digital Camera with Printer to Heather Ybarra donated by Jesse and Lupe McGuire and 3. 27-inch RCA Color TV to Gizzmo (Ray) Martinez donated by Chon and Ronnie Fierro.

Donors for the \$500 gift certificate were: Neco and Simply Cervantez, Irene Gonzales, Domingo and Rosa Leal, Benito and Inez Guiterrez, Adrian and Lilia Tijerina, Kiko and Gloria Moran, Edward and Casiana Al-sobrook, Ruben and Irma Cruz, Gabriel and Alma Longoria, Romeo and Rafaela Perez, Jesse and Michelle Ramos, Senovio and Inez Ortiz, Albino and Anna Yruegas, Adam and Martha De La Garza, Manuel and Cecilia Longoria, Maggie Galvan, Millie Grannes, Elisa Martinez, Oscar and Lizzy Vargas and Robert Ybarra and Becca Flores.

Door Prize Winners: Sara Alexis Fuentes, Spa Gift Set from Maria's Design Line; Luis and Lillie Garanzway, Hair Car Gift Set from Maria's Design Line; Maggie Mesa, \$25 gift

certificate from Donna Herring; Oscar Flores, two-Mexican Plate Dinners from Pepe's Café; Tom Diehl, two-Mexican Plate Dinners from Pepe's Café; Ray Don Myers, two-Chicken Fried Steak Dinners from Pepe's Café; Jomie Tebbets, two-Chicken Fried Steak Dinners from Pepe's Café; Jimmy Ray Ybarra, \$20 gift certificate from Cynthia's Beauty Shop; Angelo Vitela, haircut from Monica and Adrienne; Nat Hernandez, haircut from Monica and Adrienne; Sherry Bucknee, \$25 gift certificate from Western Drug; Cassidy Gonzales, four burritos and drinks from Mingo's Burritos; Josea Coy, four burritos and drinks from Mingo's Burritos; Maria Arredondo, two Blizzards from Dairy Queen; Mati Cervantez, three Blizzards from Dairy Queen; Lazarea Rodriguez, KC for two from the Hitchin' Post; Melonie Ybarra, \$15 El Chato's gift certificate from Adrienne and Leticia S.; Flor Longoria, \$15 El Chato's gift certificate from Adrienne and Harvey S.; Austin and Madison by Jaime, two cheeseburger baskets from Mi Taco; Ben (Rosemary Nelms), 8x10 picture frame from Village Drug; Maggie Galvan, Cast Iron Fish Pan from NatGas Inc.; Aus-

tin and Madison by Belia, \$50 savings bond by Ozona National Bank; Richard Perez, folding chair from Crockett National Bank; Edmundo Vargas Jr., two folding chairs by Dollar General; Grizz Medina, dinner for two from Tia's Café; Mike Robledo, \$20 gift certificate from Close to Our Hearts Country Store; Lucy and Thomas, 5-quart oil change from Mike's Auto Care; Tony Fierro by Valerie, make-up bag from Baskets & More; Colby Mendez by NaNa, iron cross by Baskets & More; Lupe Cervantes, \$35 gift certificate from Irma's Nail Salon; Gaby Coy Galindo, \$20 gift certificate from Lillie's Beauty Salon; Alexis Flores, \$20 gift certificate from Lillie's Beauty Salon; Adrienne De Hoyos, driver-bit set from Crockett Automotive; Evie Tebbets, \$50 gift certificate from Triple C Hardware & Lumber; Tony Vasquez, \$50 gift certificate from Orlando De Hoyos Attorney at Law; Maria Arredondo, lunch and drink from the Ozona Chatter Box; Maria Arredondo, lunch and drink from the Ozona Chatter Box; Rebecca Martinez, \$50 gift certificate from Lilly Construction Inc. and Lupe De La Garza, sand cross from Charlie's After Hours.

Card of Thanks

Thanks to all the local business donors, all donors for the Raffle Prizes, our faithful Fire Department and Sheriff's Department staff who assisted with the Parade. Tri City Band for their great entertainment. God Bless each and every one of you.
- Veronica "Romie" Fierro

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COURT: Swimming pool hours set, Taliaferro appointed county attorney

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The departments that this applies to is the law library, elections, airport, fire department, miscellaneous maintenance, library, welfare, child welfare, agriculture, miscellaneous general, building and maintenance, parks and pool, cemetery, collection center, youth center, sanitation, fair park and convention center, public safety, senior center and road and bridge fund.

Exceptions to purchasing spending limitations include salaries, employee benefits, utilities, telephone, cell phone and pagers, travel reimbursements, fuel purchases, paving materials, food purchases-care center, outside consultants-care center, equipment lease payments and pre-existing contractual obligations.

"There needs to be limitations on any kind of expenditures, especially when you get into the large sums," Jones said. "You need to know where the money is going and who it is going to."

The commissioners also approved the hours for the new swimming pool as well as salary for pool employees.

The hours will be 1-9 p.m. seven days a week for the public. The pool will not be shutdown for private parties during these hours. If people want lessons, aerobics or private parties not during the regular hours, it will be up to the manager to decide. Cost to get into the pool is \$.50 for children 8 and under and senior citizens 60 and over and \$1 adults.

Salary for the manager will be \$1,000 a month plus concession stand, gate and private party fees. The lifeguard salaries will

be \$7 an hour. Lifeguard training will also be available in Ozona.

The county will open the south pool to the public Memorial Day weekend as work is being completed on the new pool. When the new pool is ready to open, the south pool will then close.

The commissioners approved a letter of resignation from County Attorney Bill Mason effective May 31.

Commissioner Randy Branch then made a motion to appoint Steve Taliaferro as County Attorney due to his experience in running against Mason in the last election. The motion was approved 3-2 with Jones and Childress voting against it.

The commissioners also unanimously approved a motion that amplified music and loud noise at private parties held at the Rodeo Grounds, Park and Slab will be cutoff at 10 p.m. Community-wide events, such as junior rodeos and David Crockett Days must obtain prior approval from the commissioners to extend the amplified music to midnight.

Other items approved:

- Concho Valley Regional Advisory Council Memorandum of Understanding, Preparedness Program, Memorandum of Agreement and Grant for AED for EMS.

- Appointment of Branch and Childress to the Appraisal Board.

- Advertisement of bids for a new ambulance.

- Easement on new water line for the softball field.

- Reinstatement of the burn ban.

Primary school honor roll

"A" Honor Roll

First Grade - Thomas Cruz, Edgar Damian, Sydney Fierro, Madison Galindo, Abby Gott, Garry Held, Madyson Hubbard, Asia Lara, Jennifer Lewis, Kamryn Lozano, Timothy Maldonado, Julie Marshall, Caleb Martinez, Jose Martinez, Juan Mendez, Rachel Mendoza, Jadon Perez, Pricila Rodriguez, Jasmine Talamantez, Azaylea Tovar and Autumn Villarreal.

Second Grade - Annie Adams, Narda Aguilar, Benito Baddillo, Kimberly Borrego, Madison Childress, Mitchel Cox, Jose Damian, Kerstin Dane, Kristen Fierro, John Gomez, Alex Hopper, Felipe Irlas, Dakota Lee, Lauren Miles, Jeremy Munoz, Alondra Rodriguez, Bettys Rodriguez, Vanessa Sandate, Estefania Torralba, Ashley Vargas, Duston Vargas, Nereyda Vega and Kevin Villarreal.

"A-B" Honor Roll

First Grade - Victor Aviles, Luis Contreras, Karen Davis, Vanessa De La Rosa, Aidan Fierro, Tracey Flanagan, Kristen Fleming, Gabriella Flores, Trystian Galindo, Timothy Hardy, Madalyn Harris, Trace Justiss, Raven Perez, Sidney Perez, Ryan Ramos, Amery Robinson, Alberto Rodriguez, Emmanuel Sarabia, Kelly Sewell, Kabir Shah, Meagan Shook, Luis Sifuentes, Briana Smith, Juan Tambunga and Sarah Vargas.

Second Grade - Adison Aaron, Erbey Blanco, Ricardo Damian, Destany Delgado, Emma Garcia, John Garza, Autumn Gonzales, Cristina Hernandez, Jeremy Hernandez, Alan Landa, Gustavo Lopez, Gina Marquez, Olivia Mata, Noe Medina, April Ramos, Alexis Rodriguez, Jarrod Tambunga, Megan Vasquez, Homero Villarreal and Dalton Weddle.

Ozona Athletic Physicals

Athletic physicals for next year will be offered at the Ozona Family Health Clinic at a cost of \$10.00. The dates and times for the physicals are as follows:

May 6th at 9:00 am for all boys going into the 7th, 9th or 11th grades.

May 20th at 9:00 am for all girls going into the 7th, 9th or 11th grades.

All athletes need be at the clinic at 9:00 am. If you are late, you may not be able to get a physical.

For more information, you can call the Athletic Training Room at 392-5501 ext. 5222.

4-H shooting sports Whiz-Bang Qualifier this Saturday

The Crockett County 4-H Shooting Sports, and the Ozona Trap and Skeet Club will be hosting a Whiz-Bang Qualifier on Saturday, May 13 at the Crockett County Shooting Sports Complex.

4-H shotgun shooters from around the state will participate in Skeet, Trap and Five-Stand.

Registration begins at 8 a.m. and the competition will start at 9 a.m.

A barbecue plate will be sold at lunch for \$6.

Fifty-three youth ranging from 9-18 competed in last year's event.

The public is invited to attend and observe these talented young people.

Awards will be presented at the completion of competition.

Knights of Columbus Fireworks fund

The Knights of Columbus have opened an account at Ozona National Bank for anyone wishing to donate to this year's Fourth of July Fireworks Celebration. The Knights are hoping to make this year's show bigger and brighter!

Youth Center Calendar of Events

May 11 - High School Movie Night, 7-10 p.m.

May 15 - High School Pizza night, 7-10 p.m.

May 16 - Middle School Pizza night, 7-10 p.m.

May 18 - High School Movie Night, 7-10 p.m.

Youth Center Announcements

Middle School Ping Pong Tournament Winners:

First Place - Miguel Vergara

Second Place - Sean Davis

Summer Promotions:

- Sixth-Graders being promoted to Seventh Grade will not be eligible to come to the Youth Center until Aug. 1.
- Eighth-Graders promoted to Ninth Grade will not be eligible to come to High School nights at the Youth Center until Aug. 1.
- Seniors who graduate in May may come to the Youth Center through Aug. 1.

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Mother's Day Dance

7 p.m.-midnight Saturday, May 13 at the Convention Center. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

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Sponsored by: West Texas Tejano Promotions, Summitt Homes, Steve Sanchez, Cingular Wireless and Toby Sanchez.

Cingular Wireless will have a booth set up at the Convention Center with phone specials on all phones from 3 p.m.-midnight.

Door Prizes and Raffles to be given away.

Tickets: \$8 in advance and \$10 at the door. Only 150 pre-sale tickets.

For more information, call Jimmy Ortiz at (325) 392-5146 or 226-2403 or Jeff Sanchez at (325) 392-3113 or 226-0386.

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Crockett County Sheriff's Report

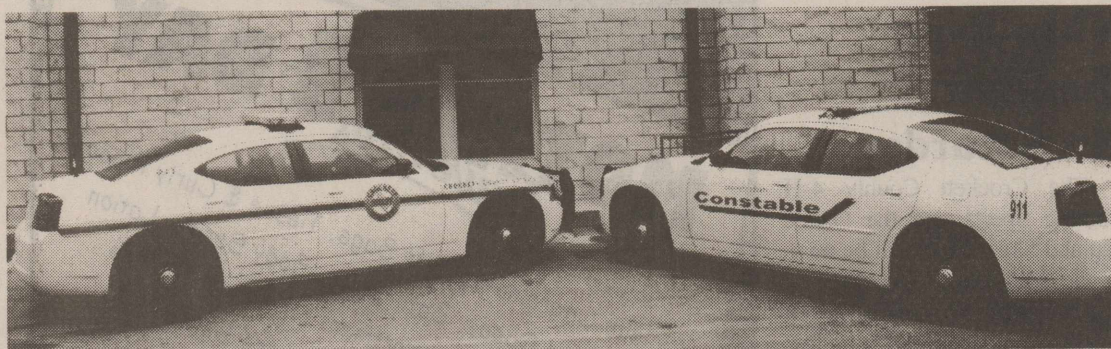


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CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT and the CROCKETT COUNTY CONSTABLE received new Dodge Charger vehicles this past week.

CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS REPORT

TYPE OF CALLS	# OF CALLS
Abandoned/impounded vehicles	2
Animal control, Livestock Complaints	15
Civil Complaints	4
Civil Service	6
Courtesy Transports	1
Criminal Activity Complaints	2
Disturbances, Domestic, Loud Noise etc.	3
Juvenile Complaints	6
Locked vehicles	12
911 Medical, Fire Calls	4
Motorist Assistance	6
Reckless driving/speeding complaints	2
Security Alarms	1
Sheriff's Office/ Jail Admin.	25
State/County Road calls	1
Suspicious Persons/Vehicles	5
Welfare Concern Citizen/Property	2
Welfare Assistance (Gas, Food, Lodging)	3
Vehicle Accidents	1

WEEKLY NEWS REPORT
OUTSTANDING WAR-
RANTS:

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

• **Joe Sanchez**, of Ozona, Class "A" misdemeanor assault causing bodily injury (family violence).

• **Jaime Velasquez Blanco**, of Ozona, forgery and Tom Green County warrant for assault with a deadly weapon.

• **Stacy Lynn Mann**, of Roundrock, failure to appear/possession of marijuana.

ARREST REPORT

5-03-06
• **Corey Edward Galindo**, 20 was arrested by the sheriff's deputy on a Crockett County warrant for harboring a runaway child. Subject remains in jail, unable to post bond.

• **Rechel Pokey Robinson**, 32, was picked up by the Crockett County Constable in Harris County Jail on a Crockett County warrant for possession of marijuana. Subject remains in jail unable to post bond.

5-05-06

• **Moses Ramirez**, 26, was arrested by a sheriff's deputy on charges of driving while intoxicated, possession of controlled substance and driving while license invalid. Subject remains in jail unable to post bond.

OFFENSE REPORT

5-06-06

• An abandoned vehicle was filed by sheriff's deputy - complainant advised person abandoned a vehicle 600 block of Avenue E. The vehicle was removed by the wrecker service.

5-08-06

• A theft report was filed by the sheriff's deputy - complainant advised that person or persons stole some items from a rig site located on Pandale Road two miles south of I-10, investigation continues.

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Sheep and Goats

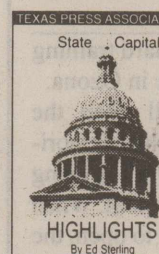
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We sold 1,900 head of sheep and goats today. Kids were steady.

#1 spring lambs 50-70 lbs.	1.05-1.10
#1 spring lambs 70-90 lbs.	95-1.05
#1 old crop lambs 50-70 lbs.	95-1.00
#1 old crop lambs 70-90 lbs.	65-80
Fat ewes	45-50
Thin ewes	35-40
Bucks	30-50
Solid mouth ewes	no test
Ewe & lamb pairs	no test
Baby tooth Angora stocker nannies	no test
Solid mouth Angora stocker nannies	55-65
Stocker Angora muttons	65-75
Angora Kids	1.40-1.50
Angora Kids-shorn	1.20-1.35
Weighing Angoras-shorn (thin)	35-40
Weighing Angoras-shorn (fat) nannies	45-55
Stocker Spanish nannies	85-1.10
Fat Spanish nannies	60-72
Fat Spanish muttons	90-1.10
Fat Spanish billies	70-85
Fat yearlings	1.20-1.35
Fat Spanish kids	1.50-1.63
Small kids	1.35-1.45
Thin kids	1.20-1.35
Spanish nanny & kid pairs	40-45/hd

Next goat sale - May 15, 2006

Disagreement forces Senate to reconsider major part of tax plan

HIGHLIGHTS
By Ed Sterling

AUSTIN

With two-thirds of a 30-day special session gone, the House and Senate continue to knock around a multi-

part solution to fix the state's unconstitutional school district property tax system.

Troubles emerged when the Senate added amendments to "perfect" four of five House bills that, bundled together, run tandem with the governor's tax reform proposal.

Despite the buffeting, lawmakers on both ends of the Capitol building and the man in the governor's mansion seem confident that they will be able to agree on a tax fix.

House Bill 1, known as the "get out of Dodge" bill, is the kingpin. It taps the state's \$8 billion budget surplus to replace \$3 billion worth of ad valorem tax that would be owed by property owners under levies allowed by current law. If passed, the legislation may reduce property taxes by 11 percent this year and increase education funding by \$1.5 billion.

The House rejected the Senate's committee substitute to HB 1 because, among other things, it contained language allowing rich school districts to recapture additional wealth. So, back to the Senate the bill went for reconciliation.

Now the Senate committee substitute is pending, leading to speculation that other related legislation might have to be reworked depending on changes to HB 1. Whatever happens, the Texas Supreme Court order says the property tax system must be fixed "or else."

HB 1 is awaiting a full Senate vote, but Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, says she has the votes to block it from being brought up. She has objected to amending "language" that would allow recapture of wealth by some districts.

Some say that if HB 1 alone passed and the other bills failed, it would still be enough to satisfy the Texas Supreme Court's order to give school districts meaningful discretion in setting tax rates.

But most lawmakers seem committed to skipping the quick fix and instead making changes to the tax code that would last for more than a couple of years.

Other bills and what they do

HB 2 earmarks for property tax relief excess revenue from franchise taxes, motor vehicle sales and use taxes, and taxes on cigarettes and other tobacco products.

The House and Senate passed HB 3, a business activity tax that will be paid by all taxable entities. Firms will choose a mode of taxation based on either payroll or gross receipts. The bill is awaiting the governor's signature.

HB 4, the "liar's affidavit" bill, requires used car buyers to pay sales and use taxes on at least 80 percent of the book value of their purchase, instead of on the sale price, which could be just about anything. The House rejected the Senate version of this bill, so it has been sent to a conference committee in hopes that differences can be worked out.

HB 5 jacks up the cigarette and other tobacco product tax by another dollar. The increase would go into effect Jan. 1, as currently written.

Opponents of HB 5 say that raising the cigarette tax by \$1 won't result in more revenue. Instead, they say, it will drive sales underground to the black market and on to the Internet.

HB 5 awaits approval by the full Senate before returning to the House for final approval.

Welfare workers
hold on to jobs

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission had planned to privatize its eligibility screening duties, but shelved the idea for now.

With the prospect of 1,900 layoffs hovering above them, agency chief Albert Hawkins told employees there will be no layoffs for at least a year, and furthermore, they will each get an \$1,800 bonus.

State expands emergency line

Hurricane season begins June 1. The state's 2-1-1 phone service has been expanded to allow Texans to call for help if they need transportation assistance when their community is ordered to evacuate.

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Oxy Permian/Houston	56000	South Cross Unit #236	Sledge Drilling 1	Drig Ahead
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Dominion Ok Tx E&P	92500	Rimel #2	Patterson Drilling/A 39	Assigned
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	89500	Mayer-20a- #4	Patterson Drilling/A 122	Drig Ahead
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	89500	Mayer-20a- #5	Patterson Drilling/A 122	Assigned
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	89000	Whitehead-1- #2	Patterson Drilling/A 39	Drig Ahead
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	88500	Mayer Ranch -35- #1	Patterson Drilling/A 742	Assigned
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	87500	Mayfield -40- #20	Patterson Drilling/A 120	Drig Ahead
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	87000	Mayfield -40- #20d	Patterson Drilling/A 120	Assigned
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	83000	Edwin S. Mayer Jr-S- #6	Patterson Drilling/A 108	Drig Ahead
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	82500	Jones Ranch -Ee- #29-3	Patterson Drilling/A 108	Assigned
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	78500	Mayer Ranch -156- #1	Patterson Drilling/A 742	Drig Ahead
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	78000	Shurley -165- #10	Patterson Drilling/A 40	Drig Ahead
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Dominion Ok Tx E&P	77250	Mack Cauthorn -130- #12	Patterson Drilling/A 161	Assigned
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Dominion Ok Tx E&P	68500	Kelly -115- #19	Patterson Drilling/A 40	Assigned
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	68500	Ward #58	Patterson Drilling/A 105	Drig Ahead
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	64000	Reed -100- #19	Patterson Drilling/A 107	Drig Ahead
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	63500	Allison -54- #11	Patterson Drilling/A 107	Assigned
New Range Production Co	50000	Davis -31- #1	Patterson Drilling/A 109	Drig Ahead 4360'

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OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
New Approach Operating	90000	Roussellot-A- #1005	Nabors Drilling (O) 353	Assigned
Leclair Operating	90000	Nuezles #1	Heart Land Drilling 3	Drig Ahead 2120'
New Pogo Producing Co	69000	Luendke #6	Heart Land Drilling 2	Drig Ahead 2120'

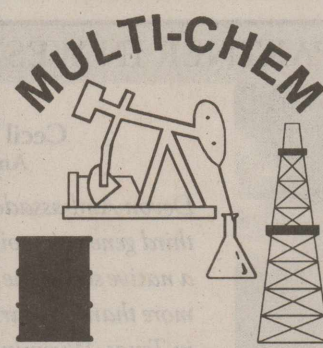
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OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Pogo Producing Co	90000	University 7-17 #1	Capstar Drilling 14	Drig Ahead 8095'
Mariner Energy	90000	Hartgrove-S- #44m	Lariat Services/Ode 12	Drig Ahead 8738'
New Mariner Energy	90000	Weatherby-A- #71m	Lariat Services/Ode 13	Drig Ahead 2021'
Mariner Energy	90000	Ricker-24- #21m	Lariat Services/Ode 19	Drig Ahead 6396'
Mariner Energy	90000	Helwig #21m	Lariat Services/Ode 19	Drig Ahead 6972'
New Pioneer Natural/trv	85000	Sherrill Unit #4004	Adobe Drilling Swair	Drig Ahead 377'
Grip Petroleum	85000	Rocker-B15- #5	Lariat Services/Ode 16	Drig Ahead 5707'
New Mariner Energy	84000	Sau Mariner -43- #4a	Lariat Services/Ode 17	Drig Ahead 4360'
New Pioneer Natural/trv	82500	Merchant Unit #1907k	Matlock Drilling 4	Moving On

*Terrell County

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
New Encore Operating LP	14700	Banner Estate #48	Nabors Drilling (O) 141	Moving On
Big America Prod/WV/VA	12300	Heimerich & Payne #A 214	Nabors Drilling (O) 214	Drig Ahead
Encana O & G/Dallas	12100	Acu -48- #7	Nabors Drilling (O) 57	Drig Ahead
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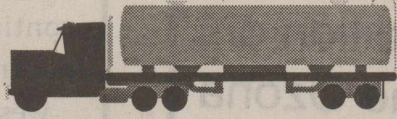
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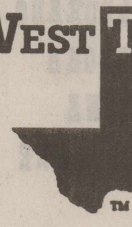
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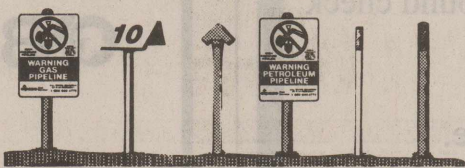
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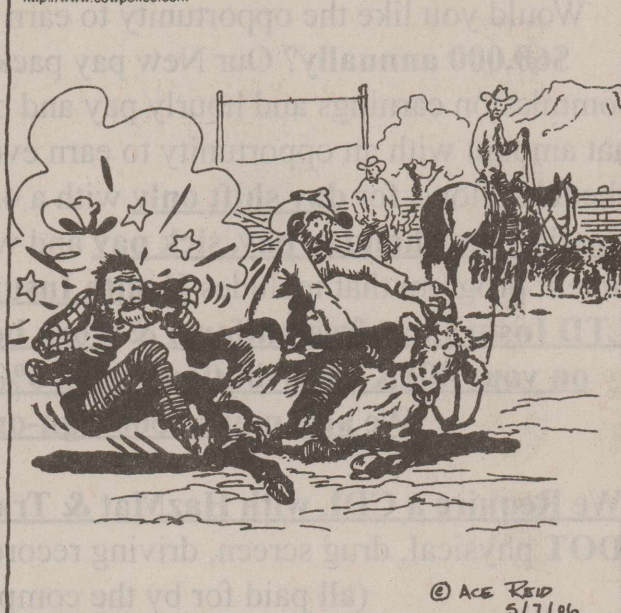
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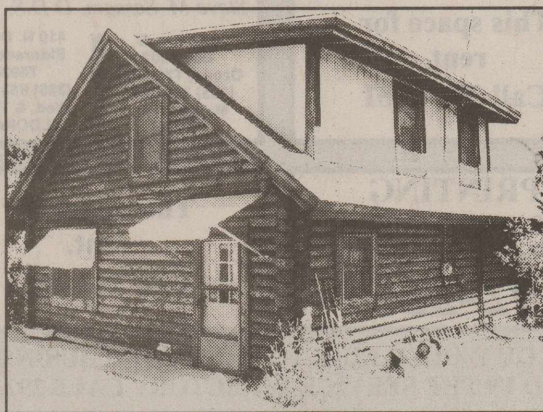
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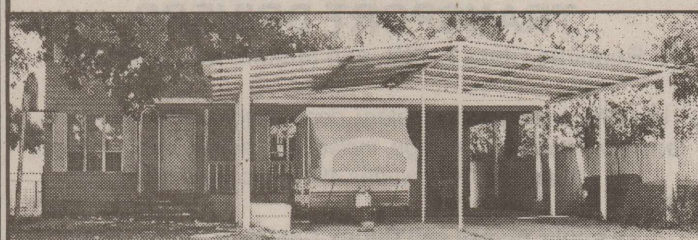
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