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JIM DUDLEY was the recipient of the Ozona Chamber of Commerce's Outstanding Citizen Award at the annual Chamber Awards Banquet held Thursday evening at the civic center.

Jim Dudley chosen Citizen of Year

Jim Dudley was named Outstanding Citizen Feb. 4 at the 29th annual Ozona Chamber of Commerce Awards Banquet. Accepting the award plaque on behalf of her husband was Maridel Dudley.

The native Ozonan was lauded as a person whose judgment and common sense can always be counted on, and the audience showed its appreciation with a standing ovation.

Dudley graduated from Ozona High School in 1940 and entered the University of Texas. World War II interrupted his stay in Austin. He spent two and one-half years in the Army, winding up in the forces which crossed the Rhine in the last big offensive of the war.

After the war, he returned to the University of Texas, graduating in 1947. He was named treasurer of Crockett County in 1951, an office he held for 42 years.

He married Maridel Youngblood, a teacher in the Ozona Schools, in 1957. They have two sons, Bill of Carrollton and Mark of San Angelo.

Along with his duties as county treasurer and his private tax business, Jim Dudley found time to write two books: *A Journal of World War II* published in 1983 and *A Private's View of World War II* published in 1992.

Jim Dudley helped organize and was a charter member of the Ozona Fire Department in 1947. He was also instrumental in organizing the Fire Department Band. The group disbanded after losing their instruments in the 1954 flood.

He served the Ozona Lions Club, especially in the Youth Rodeo, and helped organize and played on an independent basketball team that traveled through the area. He helped in the supervision with Dick Kirby on the Crockett County Museum.

Unsung Hero Bob Falkner almost didn't make the banquet. Friends convinced him to attend when another dispatcher offered to work his shift at the Department of Public Safety office.

A native of Big Spring, Bob moved to Fort Stockton when he was six. He was fire department mascot and at age nine decided to perform a community service by submitting an inquiry to a fire truck manufacturing company about buying a new truck. Fortunately the out-of-state sales representative called from Dallas to let a surprised fire chief know he was on his way to talk about the new truck.

Bob, now fire chief in Ozona, still likes to order fire fighting equipment.

He came to Ozona in 1951 as a dispatcher with the Department of Public Safety. He is an EMT, a member of First Baptist Church and instructs fire schools at Texas A&M University.

Bob and Lynda Falkner are the parents of two daughters.

Selected as Organization of the Year was the DeerFest Association. Formed two years ago, the association is an outgrowth of a project originated by the chamber to show appreciation to hunters who come to Crockett County.

Tom Anderson accepted the plaque on behalf of the association.

Each year teachers from every campus nominate one of their own for Teacher of the Year. Honored as nominees for the 1993 award were Ellen Lipsey, Vickie Stokes, Katrece Hale and Thomas DeHoyos.

Recipient Katrece Hale is a graduate of Brownwood High School. She earned a bachelor of science degree in political science from Sul Ross. She moved here five years ago and is the wife of Les Hale.

Mrs. Hale's love of her students, high level of instruction and strong and effective leadership in the teaming method of instruction were among the compliments paid her as Teacher of the Year.

Nominees for Outstanding Young Person were Julie Childress, Lisa Herring, Chad Upham, Whitney Vannoy and Myra Wilson.

The recipient, Chad Upham, is active in school organizations, 4-H and the youth group at Ozona United Methodist Church. He has received the 4-H Mother Davidson award, the Dan Bean Memorial Scholarship, the Gold Star Award and the Regina Everett Memorial Award.

This busy OHS senior received Who's Who recognition, and is a member of National Honor Society, band, Just Say No Club, football, basketball, and golf teams. He plans to attend Texas A&M University and major in agriscience.

Chad is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Randy Upham.

Hospital board hears heated discussion over 12-hour shifts

A nurse who was fired from Crockett County Hospital last month asked for her job back during a meeting of the hospital/care center board Friday. Nancy Whitehead, R.N., sat quietly until the latter part of the 3-hour meeting when she was asked if there was something she would like to say.

"I'd just like to ask Nadine (Nadine Liefeste, director of nurses) why I was denied days," Mrs. Whitehead replied. After discussing whether or not to meet in executive session Mrs. Whitehead requested that the meeting continue in open session and again asked why she was denied her request to work days when the nursing schedule was changed from 8 to 12-hour shifts.

Mrs. Liefeste answered that the request for days was not made until after Mrs. Whitehead had been fired for sleeping on duty.

Mrs. Whitehead said two former administrators and two board members had given her and other night nurses permission to rest for an hour during their shifts. One administrator

said she "could get in bed and go to sleep" during an hour rest break, Mrs. Whitehead said.

"I never went in and went to bed. I dozed in the cardiac chair and I never missed a bell or call," she said.

The nurse stated that on the night she was fired for sleeping on duty the staff had worked an emergency until 4 a.m. "I sent the other nurses to smoke in the lounge. I said I would be in my chair in the cardiac room and would catch the phone and bells." (The telephone and room bells cannot be heard in the nurses' lounge.)

"I felt morally good about sitting in the cardiac chair with the door open dozing. I never missed a call."

Mrs. Whitehead has worked nights for six years and says that the change from 8 to 12-hour shifts will not give her enough time to sleep during the day and care for her three young children. She said she was flattered that previous administrators asked her to stay on the night shift because of her experience as a nurse. "I worked six years of nights. I think I paid my dues. I fought with every

administrator and every director of nurses about it."

At one point, board member Carmen Sutton asked, "What do you want from us? Do you want your job back?"

"I'd like my job back," Mrs. Whitehead said.

The 12-hour shift system is a common one for small hospitals and does result in a savings on salaries and benefit costs, Mrs. Liefeste said. The hospital will save \$34,043.87 this year compared to last on actual payroll.

"This is using two contract L.V.N.s covering both night shifts. There is no differential pay, overtime or benefits paid for contract nurses other than workman's comp," Mrs. Liefeste said.

Crockett County Hospital has two L.V.N.s on staff. Attempts to recruit L.V.N.s from other towns have been unsuccessful. "When I quote salaries for L.V.N.s here they laugh and say, 'thanks, but no thanks'," Mrs. Liefeste said.

R.N.s and L.V.N.s will work 12-hour shifts of 36 hours one week and 48 the next. Hospital aides will continue on the 8-hour schedule, putting in 37.5 hours per week. The payroll would actually be less with aides working 12 hours and getting overtime rather than having to hire more for 8-hour shifts according to Mrs. Liefeste.

A 12-hour schedule resulting in overtime for aides at the hospital struck a sour note with care center aides. Some 18 care center aides and nurses attended the board meeting to complain that overtime for hospital workers was unfair when their hours had been cut.

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Youth center opens doors to senior citizens

Crockett County senior citizens are to have use of the youth center each Thursday from 9 a.m. until noon. The center will be available for games such as pool, snooker, air hockey, table soccer, ping pong, shuffleboard, dominoes, cards and checkers, said Joyce Young. The center has two televisions for those who don't want to play games, or visitors may just want to get together and visit, Mrs. Young said. Free coffee will be served.

Persons using the facility will be required to follow the youth center rules which prohibit smoking, dipping, use of alcohol or drugs.

For more information, contact Joyce or Garland Young at 392-3382 or 392-3266.

If you need a ride call Rural Transportation at 392-2202.

Court discusses remedies for hospital problems

In a longer than usual meeting Monday, commissioners talked with hospital administrator Gerry Phillips and board president Jack Baggett Jr. about the necessity of remaining within the budgets at Crockett County Hospital and Care Center.

A graph was distributed showing expenditures at the hospital and care center from 1983-1992. Total tax dollars spent at the facilities ranged from \$718,000 in 1983 to \$1,192,000 in 1992. The low point was 1988 when the total reached \$670,000. Hospital operation costs escalated 16% by the end of 1989 and took an even steeper climb of 33% after the hospital recertified for Medicare.

Commissioner Fred Deaton questioned continuing to staff the 20-bed hospital to Medicare standards when the patient load averages 1.5 patients a day. Deaton said both doctors and a previous doctor have told him that Medicare will not work here.

Phillips and Baggett both spoke in favor of giving Medicare certification a longer trial. "After everything we've done here it deserves a shot," Baggett said. "In six or eight months if it's not going to work we can decertify with a clear conscience," Baggett said.

"If you don't put patients in the hospital, it's not going to work with or without Medicare," Baggett said.

Both men hope arrival of a new doctor later this year will increase use of the hospital.

"But can we spend another half-million dollars of taxpayers' money gambling our whole future on a new doctor coming to town?" asked Deaton.

Deaton wants the hospital to operate with a budget which includes \$450,000 to \$500,000 from taxes. Tax dollars budgeted for the hospital this year amount to \$665,545, or 45% of the hospital's \$1,470,213 budget.

The hospital, care center and clinic are scheduled to get badly needed new roofs this year to be paid for with \$200,000 from funds borrowed through certificates of obligation. Architect Jack Meeks was in court to report that he had been able to trim \$14,762 from the low bid of \$219,900 opened last month.

After Meeks spoke, Baggett presented a plan for a poly-roof. Comparisons of information about the flat poly-roof and the sloped metal roof commissioners had requested bids for showed that both were quality roofs

and that a savings of \$10,000 to \$15,000 could result from going to the poly-roof.

The court voted to have Meeks advertise for bids on a poly-roof for the hospital, care center and clinic. These bids are scheduled to be opened at the March meeting.

Rural transportation in the county proved popular during Thunderbird van's first month of operation, Judge Kathryn Mayfield said Monday. A report given in commissioners court showed that the van made 320 one-way trips in county and 77 out-of-county one-way trips for a total of 1468.6 miles.

The van, which is part of the Concho Valley Council of Government's Rural Transportation Program, has been well received and is working like it is supposed to, she said.

Another form of transportation, air, was mentioned briefly during the meeting. The judge said John Greer of Texas Department of Transportation's aviation division is still working on plans for Ozona Municipal Airport and is expected to meet with the court soon.

Use of the youth center by senior (Continued on pg. 5)

Leal named Athlete of the Year

Stephen Leal, Ozona High School sophomore, attended the 25th Anniversary Celebration for Area 18 Special Olympics at the Midland County Exhibit, Saturday, Feb. 6.

Stephen was selected as Athlete of the Year in track and was presented a plaque.

Mr. Jim Cox, teacher and coach, was selected as one of "25 points of light" working with special olympics. Mr. Cox was presented with a paper-

weight

Following the presentations there was a dance with live entertainment provided by Smokin' Guns of Andrews.

Attending the celebration with Stephen were: his father, Isaac Leal, Jr.; Paula Leal, grandmother; Mr. and Mrs. Armando Ybarra and Elena; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lopez and Laura; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Thompson and Gary; Randy Thompson of San Angelo and Mrs. Virginia Cox.



TEACHER-COACH JIM COX AND STUDENT-ATHLETE STEPHEN LEAL pose with awards. Mr. Cox was selected as one of "25 points of light" and Stephen was chosen Athlete of the Year in the Special Olympics 25th Anniversary Celebration for Area 18.



THE OZONA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AWARDED Chad Upham as Outstanding Young Person, the DeerFest Association as Organization of the Year (president Tom Anderson accepting the award), Bob Falkner as the Unsung Hero and Katrece Hale as Teacher of the Year at its annual Awards Banquet held Thursday at the civic center. Ozona Stockman photo

Woman's League holds January meetings

The Ozona Womans League met on Jan. 12 in the home of Helen Bean. Karen Huffman assisted Mrs. Bean as hostess.

Bazaar food order co-chairman Lou Whitley reported on the bazaar food booth profits. In order to prevent last minute orders and improve the consistency of the food products, she suggested that food orders be mass produced for the '93 bazaar. Orders prepared in quantity would count toward members' required bazaar projects. A committee of eight was formed to study these proposals.

President Camille Jones reminded members to bring a package of diapers to the next meeting to be donated to the local women's "Safe House".

Eighteen members were present. Supper Club chairman Jane Richardson announced that a Valentine Dinner/Dance will be held at the Ozona Country Club on February 13. Dress for the occasion will be semi-

casual.

On Jan. 26 the League met at the Crockett Room with Sally Oglesby and Lu Ann Pierce acting as hostesses.

An informative program was presented by Matt Gutierrez, butcher at T&T Village Supermarket. He discussed such topics as meat marketing, cuts and grades of meat, and safe handling of meat.

The eighteen members present brought diapers to be donated to the local women's "Safe House". Lori Williams will host the next meeting Feb. 9 in her home.

Couples Bridge

Glenn and Peggy Hagle hosted Couples Bridge last week at the civic center. The Hagles won high score and Mr. and Mrs. Cap West were second high. Bingo went to the Tim Brewers.

Others attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Rip Sewell, Mr. and Mrs. Lefty Walker, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Kost, Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Jamerson, Mrs. Georgia Kirby and Mrs. Leota Cox.

Love is theme of Woman's Forum meeting

Ozona Woman's Forum met Tuesday, Feb. 2, at the civic center with president Katharine Russell presiding.

The thought for the day, "Love must be divided", was given by Helen White.

Following the business meeting, the annual craft auction was conducted. This auction is the fundraiser for some of the club's community projects.

Hostesses for the meeting were Georgia Kirby and Luetta Kost. Attending were: Jewel Bailey, Marolyn Bean, Louise Bunger, Crystelle Childress, Arlene Clayton, Elizabeth Dudley, Glenda Henderson, Virginia Hubbard, Benny Gail Hunnicutt, Pauline Johnson, Georgia Kirby, Shirley Kirby, Luetta Kost, Marcille Long, Joyce Maness, Ethel Miller,

Snips, Quips, and Lifts

by Lottie Lee Baker

The great purpose of life is to make something that will outlast us. ****

So live that when death comes the mourners will outnumber the cheering section. ****

Living without faith is like driving in a fog. ****

A straight line is the shortest in moral problems as well as in geometry. ****

The straight and narrow path is the only one that has no traffic problems. ****

The surest way to be lonesome is to always tell the truth. ****

To love others makes us happy; to love ourselves makes us lonely. ****

A few of us can still remember when the drugs of youth were sulphur and molasses. ****

Nothing is more responsible for the "good old days" than a poor memory. ****

No one would object to the meek inheriting the earth if we could be sure they would stay meek after they got it. ****

Music has been called medicine, and some of it is sure hard to take. ****

It's easier to profit from mistakes you don't make. ****

A person shouldn't be too modest. A light hidden under a bushel is seldom seen and less often appreciated. ****

It is generally agreed that the first thing a new car runs into is money. ****

Christmas is a race to see which gives out first—your money or your feet. ****

A LIFT FOR THE WEEK

A man is a failure that goes through life earning nothing but money. ****

Country Club Bridge News

High score at luncheon bridge Thursday, Feb. 4, was Jane Black. Louise Bunger scored second high with Jewel Bailey and Mary Clayton taking bingo.

Peggy Hagle hosted the group of sixteen. Those attending were Emma Adams, Jewell Bailey, Jane Black, Louise Bunger, Eileen Childress, Rachel Childress, Mary Clayton, Marilyn Cox, Dorothy Friend, Gwin Jamerson, Jean North, Ellen Sewell, Blanche Walker, Ruth White, and Winnie Williams.

Amparo Happy Birthday

From all of us! Nat, George, Nat III & Diane, Jon, Terry & Dana

Thunderbird Bus usage expands

"If the business keeps growing at this rate, there may be a need for a second bus," said Connie Motley, Thunderbird bus driver for Crockett County while speaking to the Mu Chi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Monday, Feb. 8.

The transportation service partially funded by the county and by the Council of Governments is doing well. In the month of January it transported 320 persons in-county and 77 persons out-of-county. The service has given independence to many elderly as well as transporting children from school. Many parents are utilizing the bus services to pick up their children rather than leave their work to do so.

Mrs. Motley emphasized that the bus goes to San Angelo the first and third Wednesday of the month. This enables persons to keep doctor's appointments or tend to other business in San Angelo. Any appointments should not be made earlier than 9 a.m. "We have found that most offices will work with those who are traveling

Thunderbird. Since we are the 13th county to use the system, it is familiar to many," Mrs. Motley said.

Since there are only 10 seats in the bus, persons are served on a first come, first served basis. Anyone wishing to ride the bus should call Judge Kathryn Mayfield's office at 392-2021.

The money made is put back in the Council of Governments. Mrs. Motley encouraged people to use the bus whenever they feel the need and said that "if we (Crockett County) don't use it, we could lose it." Judging from the January response, many people want to keep this service.

A question and answer session followed the presentation along with a bus ride "around the block".

Members present were: Barbara Burger, Arlene Clayton, Glenda Crowner, Nancy Hale, Betty Koerth, Billie Morris, Brenda Newton, Sandy Stark, Barbara Wallace, Glen Watkins and Jeannie Wellman. Hostess was Nancy Hale.

It's a girl!

Penny and Keith Shoush announce the arrival of a baby daughter Kambrie Brook Shoush.

Kambrie was born Feb. 3, 1993, at 8:57 p.m. in Angelo Community Hospital in San Angelo. She weighed 6 pounds two-and-one-half ounces and was 18 and 1/2 inches in length.

She was welcomed home by 6-year-old brother P.J. and 17-month-old sister Payton.

Grandparents are Jackie and Harvey Hebert and Yvonne and Gerry Shoush. Great-grandparents are Germaine Hebert of Rhode Island and John and Mimi Desdionns of Colorado.

ASU to host "College Days" for high school seniors

Angelo State University will host two "College Days" for high school seniors during the 1993 Spring Semester on Saturday, March 6 and April 3.

Prospective students and their parents are invited to the programs, which includes presentations on academic offerings, student activities and organizations, scholarship offerings and financial aid packages.

The program begins at 10 a.m. and runs through 3 p.m. both Saturdays. Registration begins at 9:15 a.m. in the Houston Harte University Center.

There is no charge for attending a College Day, and lunch will be provided for participants.

Campus tours and visits with academic departmental personnel are also scheduled.

Faculty members, administrators, student organization leaders and representatives of the admissions, housing, financial aid and the Carr Academic Scholarship offices will be available.

The university bookstore, snack bar, and "Super Slab" recreation facility will remain open all day during the program.

For more information, contact the Office of University Affairs at (915) 942-2117.

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THE CROCKETT COUNTY DEERFEST ASSOCIATION was recognized as Organization of the Year by the Ozona Chamber of Commerce at their annual banquet. Accepting the award were the following DeerFest directors: (l. to r.) Randy Branch, Vaden Aldridge, John L. Henderson, Tom Anderson and Mike Preddy.

WTU and CSW system plan major renewable energy project

Abilene, Texas (Feb. 1, 1993) - West Texas Utilities Company announced today that it is participating in a renewable energy project which will include locations in its service territory. The company and the other three electric utility companies of Central and South West Corporation (CSW) are planning the most comprehensive study of renewable energy technologies ever undertaken in the Southwest.

The \$10 million, five-year program calls for installing a large photovoltaic system connected to the electrical network, individual photovoltaic panels on customer rooftops, two solar-dish Stirling engines and several wind-powered turbines. This project will increase the CSW system's research expenditures for 1993 by more than 40 percent.

Glenn Files, president and chief executive officer of the Abilene-based electric utility company, said the renewable energy program is designed to lead to alternative sources of clean power for the CSW system's 1.6 million customers.

The multipurpose program will include testing for the best potential sites for sun and wind exposure in WTU's 53,000 square-mile service territory, and in the 100,000 square-miles served by the other three utilities.

Initial tests indicate the best combination of solar and wind resources is located in the Fort Davis area of West Texas. Some equipment will be located in the region.

Files said that research, technological advances and economics of scale could help make the use of sun and wind for electrical power an affordable alternative for customers early in the 21st century.

Using renewable energy in the Fort Davis area will enhance the reliability of electric service there because the community is 100 miles from the nearest power plant. "A solar unit and wind farm could provide backup energy during power line maintenance," Files said. "It also could help us meet a significant portion of the electricity demand of the area while

reducing the need for new power lines."

The technologies that will be tested are:

*A 200-kilowatt flat plate photovoltaic module. The photovoltaic cells are grouped together and convert sunlight to electrical current. The energy from the photovoltaics will be fed into the electric distribution lines that serve the University of Texas McDonald Observatory and other Fort Davis customers.

*Roof-top photovoltaic units for six commercial buildings or residences in the area. Each unit will provide at least one kilowatt of supplemental electricity to the building.

*Advanced wind turbines. A 2,000 kilowatt small wind farm consisting of at least six turbines will be installed.

*Solar-powered Stirling engines, developed by Cummins Power Generation of Abilene, Texas. The solar-dish Stirling engine uses an array of mirrors to follow the sun and focus its energy on the engine, which powers an alternator to generate electricity. The Stirling engine can convert up to 30 percent of the sunlight into elec-

tricity, compared to the 10 percent to 15 percent efficiency of photovoltaic modules. The Stirling engine also can be fueled with natural gas. Two sizes of Stirling engines will be tested—a 7.5 kilowatt unit and a 25 kilowatt unit.

Files pointed out that research studies indicate wind power in Texas could supply approximately 10 percent of the electrical needs of the United States. He said the CSW project will help determine how much of this resource can be practically used as well as the environmental effects of renewable technology.

Central and South West's electric utility subsidiaries—West Texas Utilities Company, Central Power and Light Company, Public Service of Oklahoma, and Southwestern Electric Power Company—use a variety of fuel sources. For 1992, the system's fuel use by BTU was 40 percent natural gas, 42 percent coal, 10 percent lignite and 8 percent nuclear energy.

Remember our deadline:
Monday at 5 p.m.

Crockett County Care Center News

By JoAnne Marshall

Monday was spent relaxing in front of the television and visiting with fellow residents.

There were two three time winners in Tuesday morning bingo. They were Laura Owens and Juana Hernandez. Jose Arrendondo won two games and Elvira Pena, Alma James, Frances Davis, Monnie Boyd, Moriama Perez, and Mildred Kirby won one game each. Georgia Kirby assisted residents with their cards. Thank you, Georgia.

A Spanish-English study hour was held immediately following bingo.

Residents attended a combination Bible study-song service Tuesday afternoon. The lesson was presented by Bill Fuller of the First Baptist Church. Maxine Brown did an outstanding job playing the piano during the singing. Thank you, Bill and Maxine.

Volunteers for Wednesday morning's ceramic workshop were Ruth and Patsy Hester and Virginia Hubbard. These ladies deserve a special

thank you for all their hard work and time. Before ceramics can be fired a lot of work has to go into a piece. Without the volunteers the ceramic work shop would not be possible. Residents attending the workshop were: Juana Hernandez, Moriama Perez, Hazel McDaniel, Frances Davis, Joe Connolly and Consuelo Sarabia.

On Wednesday evening, residents gathered in the Day Room for another Spanish-English lesson. The class has been going on for five months now and Ben Sanchez, the volunteer instructing the class, is amazed at the residents' progress. He says they are learning four times as much in each lesson than in the beginning.

Much appreciated beauty shop volunteers for Thursday morning were Vivian Hughes, Joann Williamson, and Audrey Smith. Thank you, ladies.

Mass was held Thursday afternoon with Rev. Ray Gallagher conducting the service. Members of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church sharing this hour with us were: Beto and Alicia Perez, Maria Vitela, Isabel Ramirez, Anita Fierro, Paulita Leal, Micaela Cantu, and Germana Onofre. We enjoyed their fellowship and would like to thank them for

coming.

Joe Connolly succeeded in filling his jar in Friday morning's bingo. He was presented with a fifteen dollar grand prize check for his efforts. Games were also won by Florencia Porras, Hazel McDaniel, May Gomez, Juana Hernandez, Jose Arrendondo, Elvira Pena, Moriama Perez, Mildred Kirby and Alma James. Jo Davidson was the friendly and helpful volunteer. Thank you, Jo.

A Blahs Buster Party was held Friday afternoon. Residents had a lot

of fun playing our color wheel game. Jose Arrendondo was the top winner. Almost all the residents won at least one prize. We would like to thank Joann Williamson for her assistance during the games.

Otis Nester brightened up a dull Saturday afternoon with lively accordion music. Thank you, Otis. We enjoy your visits.

Sunday's worship service was presented by Tim Brewer of the United Methodist Church. We would like to thank Tim and the congregation members for their fellowship.

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citizens is growing according to Garland Young. During his monthly report, Young said seven people came the first week the center was open to senior citizens and 10 came last week.

Road and parks superintendent Eddie Moore reported that work on closing the landfill is ahead of schedule. The facility must be covered according to regulation and seeded by April 9. He expects to complete the project before March 1.

Moore told commissioners he plans to have dealers demonstrate road graders here later this month and will invite representatives from other counties to attend. A new road grader is in the budget this year.

Louise Ledoux gave the library's annual report. She will be in San Antonio next month to attend seminars on grant resources and proposal writing. The library board is seeking grant money for an expansion plan.

Court members voted to:
-approve specifications and advertise for two new pickups for the road department
-approve purchase of four new 2-way radios for road department vehicles

-approve repair of highway department steam washer
-renew health insurance through White and Zesch with Lamar Life as reinsurer

-accept bid from Ozona National Bank (sole bidder) for depository con-

tract for county and school funds
-approve procedure presented by Orlando DeHoyos, county attorney, to comply with Litter Abatement Act and set fees to be assessed by county
-authorize advertisement for fuel bids

-endorse Bill Moody to Pecos River Commission

-approve easement to run tin horn (culvert for drainage) through private property on Ramos Street

-approve contract with Prichard and Abbott for on-line data processing for real, business and personal property and tax collection

-table action on setting cut-off for medical insurance for future retirees until cost information is reviewed

-approve qualifying a disabled employee for ongoing insurance coverage.

Grand juror Woody Phillips' name was drawn to serve on the grievance committee, and Judge Mayfield volunteered to serve as alternate to Commissioner Rudy Martinez on the Soil Conservation Service Resource Conservation and Development Committee.

Complaints of speeding and damage to Road #106 by heavy vehicles were brought up by Commissioner Frank Tambunga. Tambunga also mentioned problems with cemetery headstones being moved, possibly by mowers.

Jack Adams begins therapy

Jack Adams who had a heart transplant Monday, Feb. 1, has been moved to a room where he is receiving intermediate care according to his wife, Terry.

Although he has a long way to go,

Jack is now able to sit up and has begun therapy.

Anyone wishing to write Jack and Terry may do so to this address: Methodist Hospital, 6565 Fannin St., Room 419, Houston, TX 77030.

Meals on Wheels Menu

Monday, Feb. 15
Chili Con Carne With Beans, Cole Slaw, Cornbread, Cake Squares, Beverage

Tuesday, Feb. 16
German Sausage, Pinto Beans, Potato Salad, Cornbread, Peach Cobbler, Beverage

Wednesday, Feb. 17
Roast Beef Au Jus, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Banana Pudding, Beverage

Thursday, Feb. 18
Meatloaf, Buttered Corn, Okra Gumbo, Rolls, Jello With Fruit, Beverage

Friday, Feb. 19
Tuna Casserole, Steamed Carrots, Whole Wheat Ross, Blushing Pears, Beverage

Remember our deadline:
Monday at 5 p.m.

Happy Birthday!

Feb. 10 - Mari Tijerina, Clay Childress, Rebekah Shaw, Armandina Maldonado, Randy Moore, Lesley Vestal, JoLissa Payne, Ricky Nichols

Feb. 11 - Anna Smith, Mary Jo Skinner, Bud Mayes

Feb. 12 - Reba Houston, Sara Hignight, Angie Tambunga

Feb. 13 - Karen Huffman, Doug Meador, Jason Coates, Leticia Longoria, Missy Mecke, Marisella Paradez, Michelle Necessary, Christopher M. Sanchez

Feb. 14 - Staci Winkley, Matilda Onofre, Bryon Dunn, Tammy Jones, Amparo Hernandez, Kara Bird, Steve Mobbs, Sara Rhea Schreffler, Maria Senobia Baltazar, Melanie Steward, Marcus Cordova

Feb. 15 - Darolyn Webster, Eva Talamangez, Chuck Cosper, Gabino Carrizales

Feb. 16 - Willa Perry, Madye Jo Humphreys, Mena Comes, Abigail Zamarripa, Nancy Moore, Ruby Tambunga



MARIDEL DUDLEY accepts the Citizen of the Year plaque in behalf of her husband Jim Dudley from Doug Meador at the chamber of commerce banquet held last Thursday in the civic center.

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Office personnel, laundry workers, hospital and care center aides all had their time cut one-half hour per day several months ago.

Care center aides said they are understaffed and don't have time to do everything that should be done. Sixteen of the 42 care center residents are unable to feed themselves.

Aides at the care center are required by the state to be certified, but hospital aides are not, so hospital personnel cannot work both places to fill in during busy times.

Administrator Gerry Phillips maintained that the care center is overstaffed compared to Eldorado and Big Lake. Until the facility gets critical care patients or residents who require a greater level of care, there will be no additional staff hired, he said.

"The ultimate goal is to try to keep this place afloat," Phillips said.

Lab technician Connie Arredondo distributed a 2-page letter regarding cuts in her department's budget to board members and Doctors Owensby and Sims early in the meeting.

Phillips responded that the lab probably got "hit the hardest" in his efforts to cut \$300,000 from the budget.

Cuts reduced one of three lab techs to parttime status.

"It's frustrating to me that we don't have two people in the lab from 8 to 5 on clinic days," Dr. Sims said. When the clinic is busy and the lab gets backlogged, the clinic gets be-

hind schedule, too, resulting in overtime for employees there, he explained.

The doctor commented that soon none of the employees would have anything to complain about because no one would have a job. "Everybody's got to cooperate and figure out how we're going to save money...."

"I understand trying to knock off all the overtime we can because pretty soon we're not going to have any regular time."

Phillips provided the board with a year-end summary for 1992 expenditures and revenues which showed that Crockett County Hospital was budgeted to lose \$665,545 and actually lost \$899,365.73. The care center was budgeted to lose \$326,001.00 and actually lost \$300,815.01.

Following a short meeting in executive session, the board voted to renew contracts for Doctors Owensby and Sims.

'A soft answer turneth away wrath; but grievous words stir up anger.
'The tongue of the wise useth knowledge aright; but the mouth of fools poureth out foolishness.

Proverbs 15: 1-2

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Dorothy and Beecher Montgomery

Card of Thanks
Dear Friends,
There are not words to express our thanks for the prayers, visits, flowers, cards, food and many kindnesses to our family during my hospital stay. Thanks to Dr. Sims and the EMT's for their care.
Carl, Marlys, Kirstie and Dona and Grandkids

<p>Cafeteria Menu</p> <p>Feb. 15... Frito Pie, Pinto Beans, Lettuce & Tomatoes, Crackers, Pudding and Milk Feb. 16... Spanish Steak, Creamed Potatoes, English Peas, Cornbread and Milk Feb. 17... Chili Dog, Tator Tots, Ranch Style Beans, Cookie and Milk Feb. 18... Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Buttered Green Beans, Hot Rolls and Milk Feb. 19... Chick Burger, Salad, French Fries, Cobbler and Milk</p> <p>Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Muffins, Juice and Milk</p>	<p>Fast Food Menu</p> <p>Feb. 15... Cheese Burrito, Pinto Beans, Lettuce & Tomatoes, Crackers, Pudding and Milk Feb. 16... Chick Burger, Salad, Tator Tots and Milk Feb. 17... Cheeseburger, Salad, French Fries, Cookie and Milk Feb. 18... Hamburger, Salad, Tator, Jello and Milk Feb. 19... Cheeseburger, Salad, French Fries, Cobbler and Milk</p>
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Love is in the Air

By Dennis J. Prutow

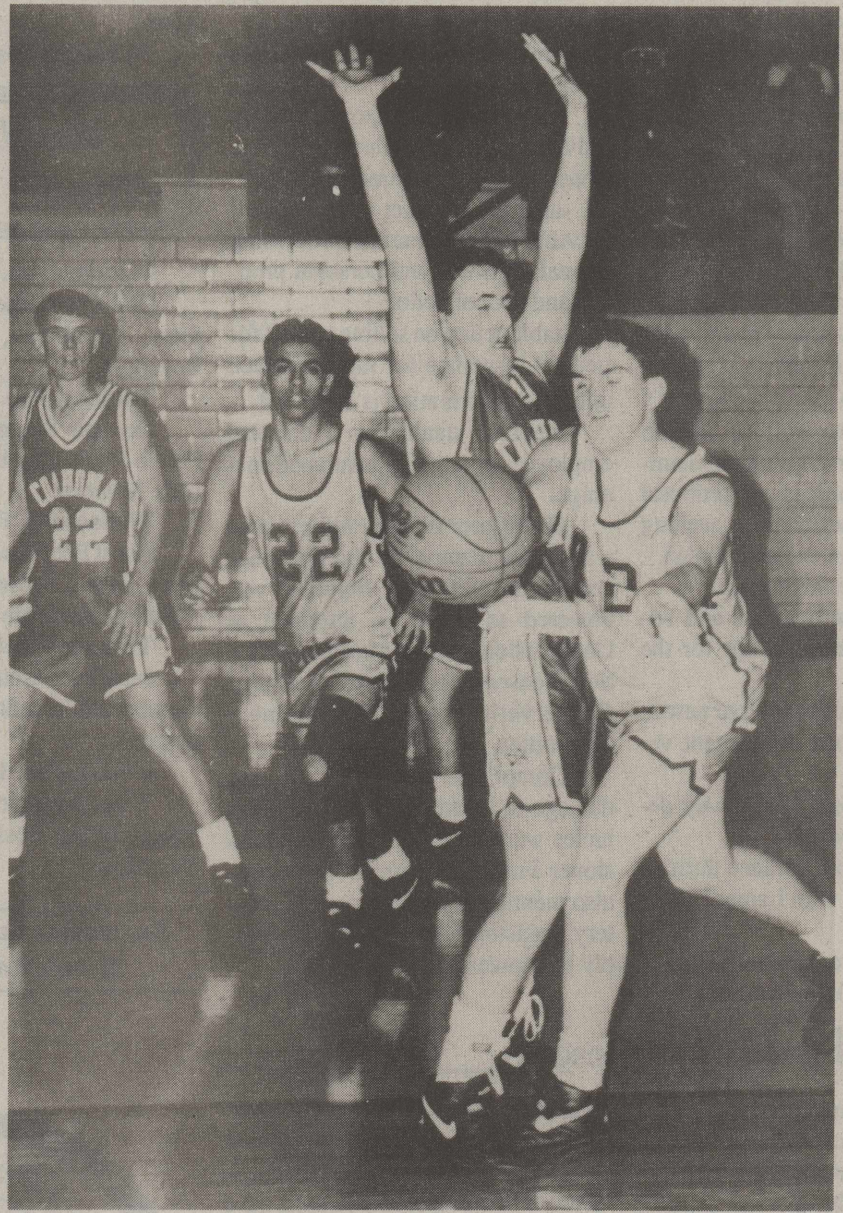
From the strains of "Love Me Tender" as sung by Elvis to the more provocative songs of today with their urgings to "get physical," love is the theme. Or is it actually sex? It's hard to tell! And it's the same in the TV commercials. After watching them, we are tempted to think that "love" can be fulfilled with the right beer, the proper car, and the appropriate after shave! Or again, is it sex we are after?

Is it the emotional high that we crave? But if love is portrayed in this way, will we not attempt to fulfill the fantasies? And will we not be disappointed? Why? Love is not primarily a feeling! Love is not primarily an emotional high! Oh yes, the feelings can run high, and deep, and wide. But those feelings spring from previous commitment! And that commitment has a certain character. Look at how the Bible describes it: "Love is patient, love is kind, and is not jealous; love does not brag and is not arrogant, does not act unbecomingly; it does not seek its own, is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong suffered, does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things" (1 Corinthians 13:4-7). This is no chocolate coated Valentine kiss!

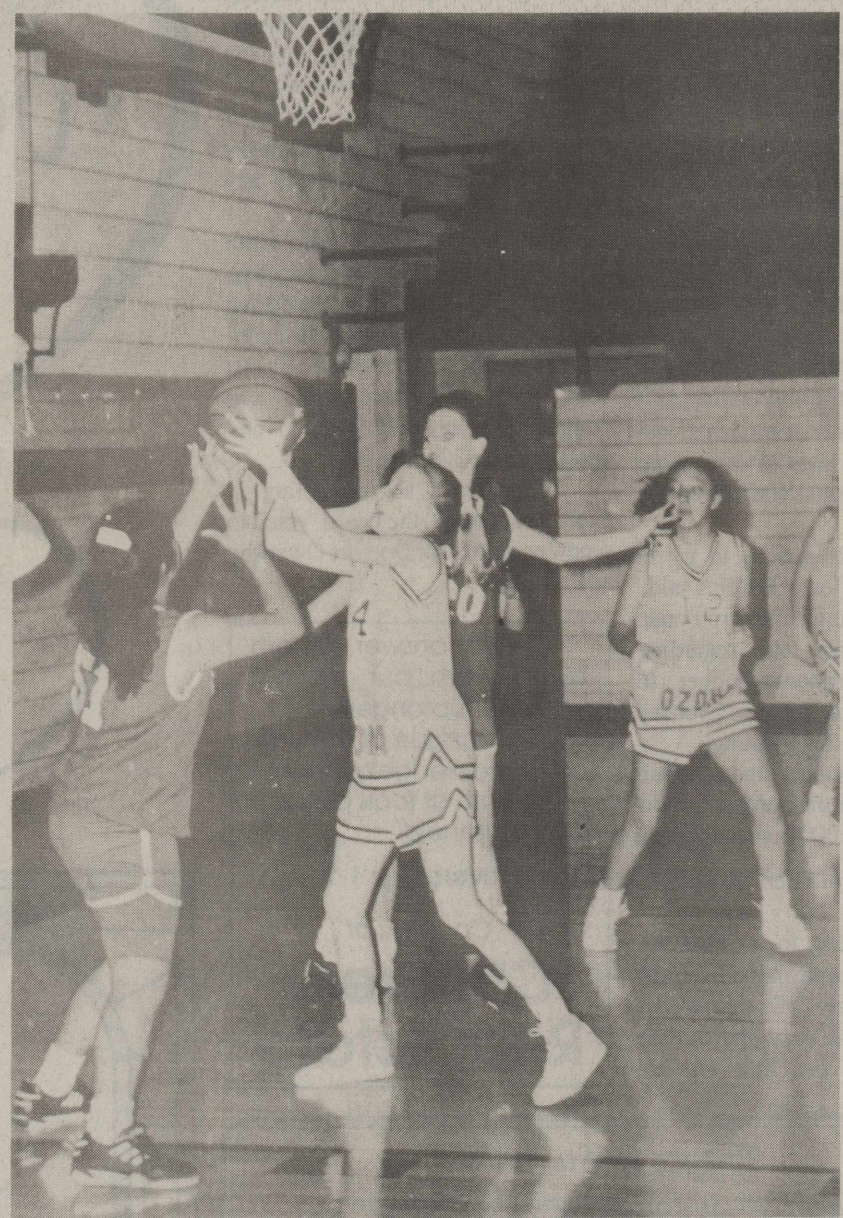
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Lions rally to defeat Buffaloes

by Don Stark

The Ozona Lions rallied in the fourth quarter to defeat the Stanton Buffaloes 70-61 in a district 6-2A boys' basketball game played in Stanton on Friday, Feb. 5.

Down 49-41 at the end of the third quarter, the Lions outscored Stanton 29-12 in the final period to bring their season record to 11-11 and their district record to 3-0 for the second half of district play.

"Poor shooting in the first half killed us," commented Coach John Curry. "In the second half we began to hit our shots and everything fell into

place."

Joe Mendoza with 20 points, Chris Sanchez with 18 points, and Julio Martinez with 13 points led the Lion offense.

Ray Fierro's 15 points led the Lion JV to a 46-40 win over the Stanton JV.

VARSITY SCORING	
Mendoza	20
Sanchez	18
Martinez	13
Valencia	8
Borrego An.	5
Hernandez	4
Meador	2

Ladies down Badgers for 14th win

by Don Stark

The Ozona Lady Lions defeated the McCamey Badgers 48-40 in district girls' basketball action played in McCamey on Tuesday, Feb. 2. Seniors Myra Wilson with 18 points and Myra Sanchez with 14 points led the Ozona offense. Ozona won the JV

game by a 50-29 score. Connie Fielder scored 15 points and Tara Wilkins scored 11 points to lead the Ozona JV offense.

VARSITY SCORING	
Wilson	18
Sanchez	14
Pena-Alfaro	9
Worthington	7

Super seventh wins again

by Don Stark

The Ozona 7th Grade Cubettes remained undefeated as they smashed the Eldorado 7th grade girls 61-18 in

Cubs take two from Eldorado

by Don Stark

The Ozona 7th Grade Cubs defeated the Eldorado 7th grade 31-19 in a junior high basketball game played in Eldorado on Thursday, Feb. 4. Brian Badillo's 15 points and Browne's 11 points led the Ozona attack.

The 8th grade cubs defeated Eldorado 48-22 in their best offensive effort of the season. Jason Stuart with 15 points and Jon Sanchez with 12 points led the Cub offense.

7TH GRADE SCORING	
Badillo	15
Browne	11
Ramos	3
Hamon	2

8TH GRADE SCORING	
Stuart	15
Sanchez	12
Ramos P.	8
Fuentes	4
Mendoza	2
Ramos E.	2
Villerreal	2
Gonzales	2
Villa	1

Pack Rat expands trash pick-up service

Trash pick up service in Ozona will expand next week with the addition of a second fulltime truck.

Pickup dates for commercial customers, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, will remain the same.

Residential pickup south of the interstate and east of Hwy. 163 will change from Tuesday to Monday. Customers from 14th Street north and from Ave. I to Ave. E will have their trash collected on Tuesday instead of Wednesday.

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junior high basketball action played on Thursday, Feb. 4, in the Ozona gym. Coach Rodney Johnson's team has compiled a 11-0 record with one game remaining on the schedule.

A balanced scoring attack, plus a quick aggressive defense carried the Cubettes to victory. Offensive punch provided by Amber Tarr's 23 points, Bobbie Bryson's 17 points, Amber McWilliams' 11 points, plus aggressive passing and rebounding by Stephanie Franco and Autumn McWilliams proved to be a nightmare for the Eldorado team.

The 8th Grade Cubettes lost to Eldorado 15-12. Janelle Payne's seven points led the Ozona offense.

SEVENTH CUBETTES SCORING	
Tarr	23
Bryson	17
McWilliams Am.	11
Castro	4
Tijerina	2
Avila	2
Franco	2

EIGHTH GRADE SCORING	
Payne	7
Sullivan	3
Lozano	2



THESE EXCITED FACES ARE RECEIVING A FIRST HAND VIEW OF Crockett County government procedures. The third grade students of Ozona Intermediate school attended this past Monday's commissioners court. Precinct 3 commissioner Freddy Nicks and Precinct 1 commissioner Frank Tambunga are pictured visiting with the children.



Lady Lions nip Stanton

by Don Stark

Monica Solis converted both ends of a one-and-one shot in the closing seconds of the fourth quarter to preserve an Ozona victory as the Lady Lions downed the Stanton Lady Buffaloes 46-45 in district girls' basketball action played in Stanton on Friday, Feb. 5.

The win upped the Ladies' season record to 15-10 and their second half district record to 4-1.

Myra Wilson led the Ozona attack with 19 points, followed by Gloria Pena-Alfaro with 10 points and Petra Rios with 10 points.

Stanton won the JV game 34-31.

VARSITY SCORING	
Wilson	19
Pena-Alfaro	10
Rios	10
Solis	4
Worthington	3

Lions' second half spurt defeats Badgers

by Don Stark

After being tied 25-25 at the half, the Ozona Lions held the McCamey Badgers to single digits in both the third and fourth quarters to defeat their district rivals 50-43 in boys' basketball action played in McCamey on Tuesday, Feb. 2.

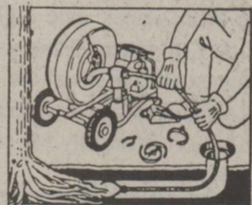
Sophomores Chris Sanchez with 15 points and Julio Martinez with 13

VARSITY SCORING

Sanchez	15
Martinez	13
Valencia	7
Hernandez	7
Mendoza	4
Borrego Al.	4

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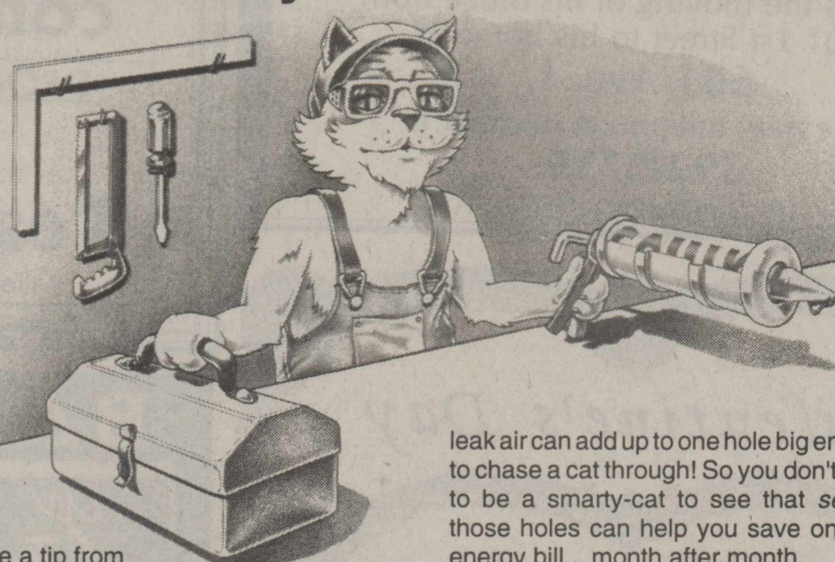
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Apply caulking to windows, cracks, and where plumbing meets the wall.

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Add extra insulation to your attic.

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April Graham finalist in teen scholarship program

Miss April Graham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Graham of Ozona, has been selected to be a finalist in the 1993 West Texas National Teen-Ager Scholarship Program to be held on the campus of Wayland Baptist University in Plainview on April 23-24. This program is the official preliminary to the 22nd Annual Texas National Teen-Ager Scholarship Program to be held at the Scottish Rites Auditorium in San Antonio May 7-8. The Texas representative will receive an expense paid trip to compete for a \$10,000 cash scholarship at Opryland USA, in a television quality production.

There will be a regional winner and four runners-up in two aged divisions: 13, 14, 15 and 16, 17, 18. The winner in each age division will receive a \$1,000 savings bond, an all expense paid trip to San Antonio to compete in the state program at the Scottish Rites Auditorium and two full-tuition modeling scholarships from Barbizon and John Robert Powers, each worth \$1,000. The Senior West Texas Teen-Ager will also receive a full-tuition scholarship to Mary Hardin-Baylor worth \$4,000, and a



April Graham

scholarship to Wayland Baptist University, among other schools. The West Texas Teen-Ager Program will also award more than \$50,000 in tuition scholarships from various universities during the weekend event. Every participant will receive a \$200 scholarship to both Barbizon and John Robert Powers Schools of Modeling. Melissa Fonner of Lubbock and

Katherine Tucker of Tulsa are the current West Texas award winners. The reigning National Teen-Ager is Dana Stephenson of North Carolina. She received more than \$10,000 in cash scholarships and \$20,000 in tuition scholarships. The Junior National Teen-Ager is Beth Troutman, also from North Carolina. She will receive a \$5,000 cash scholarship. Both national winners will also enjoy a year of travel, including Hawaii, Mike Benet gowns, cosmetics, jewelry and many other prizes.

Each contestant accepted has the option to participate in the Volunteer Community Service Program of America's National Teen-Ager. This program teaches teenagers to share and to participate in school and civic activities. Students will be judged on scholastic achievement, leadership, personality and individuality. There is no swimsuit competition. Talent may be presented at the option of the participant or an oral essay on the subject of "What's Right About America".

Miss Graham is sponsored by Crockett County National Bank, Baker Ranch, The Teacher Store, Ozona Veterinary Clinic and her family.

4-H members exhibit at Fort Worth Livestock Show

Local 4-H members exhibited 36 market lambs at the Southwestern Livestock Exposition at Fort Worth last week. Crockett County placed second in the pen of 15 finewool and second in the pen of 15 finewool crosses.

In the individual classes, Codi Richardson placed fifth with her light weight finewool cross and 19th with her middle weight finewool. Adrienne Dickerson placed 10th with her heavy

weight finewool cross. Cade Clark placed 13th with his heavy weight finewool and Mark Childress placed 18th in the same class.

All the lambs exhibited made the premium sale and sold for approximately \$1.40 per pound.

Other youth exhibiting lambs were: Ty Allen, Kimberly, Ryan and Wesley Bean, Trey Hale, Haley Holden, Clay and Kyle Richardson

and John Austin Stokes.

Accompanying the youth were: Mr. and Mrs. Tony Allen, Mr. and Mrs. David Bean, Dennis Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Childress, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Dickerson, Ed and Eddie Hale, Deene Holden, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Richardson, Vickie Stokes, Mike Edinburg, Donnie Laughlin and Billy Reagor, County Extension Agent.

Jason and Amanda Hightnight and Ty Porter exhibited rabbits at the Fort Worth Livestock Show. They placed first twice in Senior Doe Mini Rex, second in Senior Buck Dwarf Hotot, Senior Doe Dwarf Hotot, Senior Doe American Fuzzy Lop, third in Junior Buck Mini Rex, Junior Buck Dwarf Hotot, Senior Doe American Fuzzy Lop and also received five fourth places, two fifth places, one eighth place and one 13th place. There were 1,780 rabbits entered in the show.

Jason, Amanda and Ty were accompanied to Fort Worth by Mr. and Mrs. John Hightnight.

Annual health fair slated for April

Anyone who would like to volunteer to assist with the annual event, which is sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Crockett County Home Economics Committee and Texas Department of Health, can call 392-2721. Volunteers are needed to assist with registration as well as bringing, preparing and serving refreshments, manning booths and other important tasks which make the health fair possible.

The annual Crockett County Health Fair has been slated for Thursday, April 22, at the civic center. All organizations wishing to participate in the health fair should contact the Crockett County Extension Office by Monday, March 1, to be put on the exhibitors' list.

Already scheduled for this year's fair are Shannon Hospital and Community Hospital, as well as United Blood Services. United Blood Services will conduct a blood drive at the health fair. The Texas Department of Health will also conduct screenings during the event.

To volunteer or put your organization on the list of exhibitors, contact Tedra Ulmer, Crockett County Extension Agent, at 392-2721, or come by the Extension Office, located on the second floor of the courthouse annex.

Educational events such as the health fair which are sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages, regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, national origin or handicap.

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Money Management Tips For Tough Times

Are we in a recession? Are we coming out? Are better times ahead, or should we all tighten our belts a few notches? Financial news and economic indicators may be confusing, but some sound financial management steps can help you face the future with a little more confidence.

The biggest mistake most people make is to wait for an emergency - a job layoff, health crisis, or huge rise in taxes - to get into action. By adopting a few smart changes here and there, your finances will be easier to manage if economic factors over which you have no control do worsen.

Here are some tips:

Begin now to organize your financial papers. Select a central location and accumulate family financial information. Record all bank accounts, retirement plans, investments, and other assets. Include the institution where they are held, phone numbers and contact person if you know a name, account numbers and amounts. List mortgage information, including financial institution address and phone number, account numbers, balance, monthly payments and contact person. Also, record all charge cards. Include the financial institution through which they are held, phone numbers for customer service and account numbers. Write down insurance companies, agents and phone numbers for health, home, life and auto insurance. Keep a record of social security numbers for all family members. This will all be useful information in time of crisis.

Analyze your financial situation. Calculate the total amount of cash available to you in case of an emergency. Every household needs an emergency fund, preferably equaling three to six months' worth of income. Most households have nowhere near this amount on hand. List any amounts you owe and total them so that you can get a picture of your overall debt situation. Track how much you spend for one month and compare to your income. Note what items could be trimmed down if necessary.

Lower your debts. Pay off a little at a time, and do not continue to charge. As a general rule, monthly payments

other than mortgage should total less than 20 percent of take-home pay. If you are feeling over your head in regard to debts, consider going to a no-charge credit counseling office for assistance.

Increase your cash on hand. If your family's emergency fund needs beefing up, try to come up with ways you can add to the total. Make a practice of adding any raises, bonuses, overtime pay, or "extra" money directly to the emergency fund.

Consider your job situation. If your company or individual job situation seems at danger during hard economic times, prepare for the worst. Begin to notice what jobs are available for which you would be qualified if you lost your job. Update your resume. Do not change jobs unless you can see major advantages in the change, so that any seniority you have accrued will be safeguarded.

Don't worry, be happy. Find ways to entertain yourself and your family that don't cost much. Concentrate on having fun, not saving money.

In the end, there are a lot of external factors that make a difference in our economic situation. What we can control is our ability to either ride out

a storm or take advantage of a wind-fall.

For more information on money matters, contact the Crockett County Extension Office at 392-2721. Educational information and programs provided by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service are open to persons of all ages, regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, national origin or handicap.

4-H shooting team holds first meeting

The 4-H Club's third grade shooting team held its first meeting at the 4-H Barn Monday at 6 p.m. The team is headed up by Len Hillman. Serving as instructors for the third grade team are Greg Stuart and Nancy Harris.

Primary goal of the shooting club is gun safety.

Attending the first meeting were: Chet Stuart, Hayse Worthington, Robert Fierro, Casey Petty, Jessica Bragg, Christopher Kennedy, Thomas Sertain, Dustin Smith, Shane Albers, Jonathan Kennedy and Kimberly Nowell.

The Crockett County Arts and Crafts Guild

welcomes everyone to their Valentine party Friday, Feb. 12, at 7:00 p.m. at Lupe Longoria's home on Ave. A (across from Comfort Inn) Call T.K. O'Bryant at 392-3557 for details of the party.

The Guild is also planning a Victorian project.

Supply lists and pictures of the project are on display at Western Auto, Village Drug & Perrys. T.K. O'Bryant has the wooden blocks that are needed. Call her at 392-3557 for more information

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★ Sheriff's Report ★

Week ending Feb. 8, 1993

ARRESTS

2-2-93...Danny Keith Mackey, age 30, of Nacodoches was arrested by DPS on a warrant, charging him with Fraud issued by Liberty County. Mackey was released after posting bond.

2-3-93...Gilbert Garza Lombrano Sr., age 56, of Ozona was arrested by DPS on Crockett County Traffic warrants. He was released after paying his fine.

2-3-93...Jose Marie Ojeda, age 27, of Ozona was arrested by the Sheriff's Department on a warrant from Kimble County charging him with Bond Forfeiture on a Burglary charge. Ojeda was released later that day to Kimble County authorities.

2-4-93...Deanna Renee Mills Holeman, age 29, of San Angelo was transported from Tom Green County Jail on a warrant from Crockett County charging her with Revocation of Probation on a Delivery of a Controlled Substance charge. She remains in jail pending action in District Court.

2-5-93...Ernest Lynwood Robertson, age 31, of Texas City was transported from Kerr County Jail on a warrant from Crockett County charging him with Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle. He remains in jail pending action in District Court.

2-6-93...Juan Cristino Lopez, age 18, of Midland was arrested by the sheriff's department and charged with Public Intoxication. He was released on 2-8-93 after taking care of his fine.

2-6-93...Rutilio Valdespino, age 23, of Midland was arrested by the sheriff's department and charged with Driving While Intoxicated, second offense. He remains in jail in lieu of bond.

2-7-93...Albert Rickey, age 29, of Providence, Rhode Island was arrested by DPS while driving a vehicle reported stolen from Florida and also

on a warrant from Bowling Green, Kentucky for Revocation of Probation of a Burglary charge. Rickey remains in jail pending extradition to Kentucky.

2-8-93...Derek Zane Sparks, age 24, of Wenatchee, Washington was arrested by the Sheriff's Department and charged with Obstructing a Highway after deputies received a report that he was on Interstate 10 at the 365 mile marker jumping in front of cars. Sparks remains in jail pending evaluation.

INCIDENTS

2-2-93...A report was taken from Bill Crawford that six vehicles had been damaged while being stored. The windows had been broken out of all of the vehicles and damage was estimated between \$5,000 and \$8,000.

2-5-93...An Indecency with a Child report was taken from a thirteen-year-old female. The case is presently under investigation.

2-5-93...A dog bite report was taken from Karen Taylor, reporting that a dog had bitten a seven-year-old boy on Young Street.

2-7-93...A sixteen-year-old female reported that she was verbally assaulted by an adult female at the corner of Santa Rosa and Monterey.

2-7-93...Felicita Pena Vasquez reported that she had been assaulted by a family member on Willow Street.

2-8-93...A report was taken from the Texas Department of Transportation that a vehicle had been abandoned in the rest area for about three weeks. The vehicle was impounded.

As of 9:00 a.m. 2-9-93, Crockett County Jail is housing 11 inmates. Seven are cases pending in District Court, two for cases pending in County Court, one serving a sentence imposed out of County Court and one awaiting out-of-state extradition.

ASCS News

Epsy to cut Washington bureaucracy before closing USDA field offices

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27—Proclaiming his intention to send a "powerful message to the American taxpayer and the American grower and producer," Secretary of Agriculture Mike Epsy said today that he will propose reorganizing the Washington-based bureaucracy of the U.S. Department of Agriculture before he supports closing any state field offices.

In an interview today with USDA Radio, Epsy said, "The first thing we must do at USDA is to re-visit the issue of restructuring, both at the Washington level and out in the field. As I have already stated, before I review any plans that would close field offices, I would first like to send a message to the American taxpayer and the American grower and producer that we are going to look after our shop in Washington by cutting and consolidating and reducing overhead in Washington first. Then, we can consider looking toward closing or consolidating our divisions out in the field and promoting regulatory simplification.

"The Department has come under criticism recently — and over a number of years — for the bloated nature of its bureaucracy," Epsy continued. "The fact is that the Department is perceived by many in the field to be archaic and outmoded in many ways. I realize that in many ways perception is not reality, for we have many fine employees at USDA working hard to promote farm income and new markets. Yet we need to deal with this perception and try to correct it where we can.

"I think that it is very important that, as the first action of the new USDA, we show our new president, Bill Clinton, that we will not propose

a type of Washington insider game that requires sacrifice from citizens but not from their leaders. We need to show the country that we fully realize that the Washington operation of USDA is too large, and doesn't adequately serve the needs of farmers and consumers. We need to correct that and correct that quickly," said Epsy.

The plan by former Secretary of agriculture Edward Madigan to close USDA field offices was effectively shelved by the decision of the new Office of Management and Budget to review all the last-minute regulations and reorganization plans submitted to the Federal Register by the outgoing Bush administration. Epsy is expected to announce his own reorganization plan in the near future.

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Mohair preparation seminar Feb. 17 at Childress Ranch

Dr. Joe David Ross will conduct a seminar on mohair preparation Feb. 17 at the Childress Ranch 19 miles west of Ozona.

The seminar, which begins at 1 p.m., will cover sorting of goats and mohair according to quality and methods of determining kemp in mohair.

Everyone is invited to attend.

For more information, contact Terry Criner at 392-2623 or Joe Will Ross at 392-2711.

Local 4-H members to exhibit prize livestock at 1993 Houston Livestock Show

Eleven 4-H members from Crockett County will join other 4-H and FFA members from throughout Texas for show ring competition at the upcoming Houston Livestock Show Feb. 20 through March 7 at the Astrohall.

These FFA and 4-H exhibitors compete in one of two divisions of the Houston Livestock Show—the junior show division. The other division, the open show, attracts its exhibitors from the world's agricultural industry, who are primarily professional breeders and ranchers.

Entries in both the open and junior shows combine with horse show entries to make the Houston Livestock Show the world's largest.

Ozona 4-H'ers showing livestock this year in Houston are:

Market lambs—Nancy Arrott, Robin Conner, Tommy Conner, Adrienne Dickerson, Stefny Sutton, Casey Upham, Chad Upham, Lauren Wilkins, Mason Wilkins and Tara Wilkins.

Angora goats—Stefny Sutton
Breeding sheep—Stefny Sutton
Market steers—Casey Upham and Chad Upham

Representing 862 Texas 4-H clubs and FFA chapters, the junior show is expected to exceed 11,000 entries this year. A variety of animals are shown in the junior show division: market steers, market swine, market

sheep, market poultry, beef and dairy heifers, breeding sheep, goats, commercial steers and breeding rabbits.

The four market animal categories (steers, sheep, swine and poultry) represent animals raised by the exhibitor as feed sources. Top animals in each of these categories are eligible for their individual market auctions. Total money paid in 1992 at the four junior show auctions exceeded \$3 million.

"Our junior show is the highlight of our livestock show, placing an emphasis on education, supervised instruction and fair competition," said Steve Woodley, Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo manager.

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Fire Department Report

Members of Crockett County Fire Department put in 79.52 man hours and used 3,720 gallons of water in 7.53 truck hours during January according to department chief Bob Falkner.

Incidents included one each structure fire, grass fire, rescue/EMS, mutual aid to another county and one false alarm. There were two investigations.

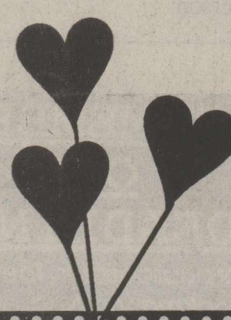
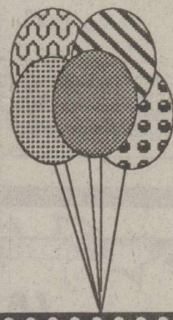
Officers for 1993 are: Ray Don Myers, president; Larry Glosson, vice-president; Della Bishop, secretary; Bob

Falkner, chief; Raymond Borrego, first assistant chief; Frank Galvan, second assistant chief; Paige Tambunga, mascot; Doug Meador, training chief; and Steve Kenley, fire marshal.

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