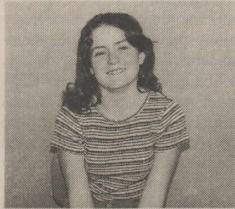


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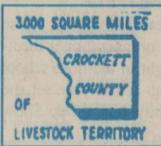
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"Out In The West, Where The Air Is Pure, The Climate Agreeable, And The People Friendly -- The Best Place On Earth To Call Home"

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Childress posthumously recognized as chamber Citizen of the Year

Johnny Childress was posthumously recognized as Ozona Chamber of Commerce's Citizen of the Year for 1997 at the 34th annual awards banquet Feb. 16. Accepting the award were his children, Courtney Duke of Utopia and John Clayton Childress of Ozona.

Childress, who was killed in an automobile accident in January, owned and operated Childress Real Estate here for 16 years. He was the first person many newcomers met in Ozona, said Rob Whitesides in announcing the award, and as such, created as positive impression of the community for many.

A 1962 graduate of Ozona High School, he attended Texas Christian University and earned a degree in

English from Angelo State University. Childress had served as vice-president of Ozona Chamber of Commerce, was chairman of the local Salvation Army effort, and had served on the tax appraisal board. An active member of Ozona United Methodist Church, he served on many committees there and was a trustee.

Whitesides told of Childress' help to many and concluded with the statement, "He was a friend".

Other Citizen of the Year nominees were: Jeffrey Stuart, Dickie Faight, Becky Childress, Lyndon

English, Rev. Bill Fuller and Jewell Bailey.

Recognized as Teacher of the Year was Jill Crawford of Ozona Middle School. Mrs. Crawford has been a member of the OMS staff for 18 years. During that time she has taught sixth grade English and social studies. She is a member of the sixth grade academic team and until recently served as team leader.

Through her leadership, the sixth

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ACCEPTING AWARDS AT THE 34TH ANNUAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BANQUET are Courtney Childress Duke, John Clayton Childress, J.R. Bkakta, Amber Tarr, Marolyn Bean, Jack Baggett Sr., Jill Crawford and John Esparza. DigiCam Photo by Scotty Moore

Hazardous materials require special treatment

By Steve Kenley
Ozona Fire Department

Step out of your house late at night after the town has quieted down, and you will hear the "singing" of the tires as trucks pass through Ozona on Interstate 10. Day and night they come, an endless line carrying goods across the country. It is so routine that we seldom give them much thought. That may be true for the average citizen, but not so for local officers, emergency medical personnel and firefighters.

As far back as 20 years, local firefighters, through the Texas A&M University System, were learning how to respond to calls involving hazardous materials. Just before the Feb. 10 accident in Sutton County, emergency service personnel from Big Lake, Sonora and Ozona met at the local fire station with John O'Gorman with Shell Chemical. The meeting was to set up additional training classes this spring for local officers, EMS personnel and firefighters. Shell Chemical plans to

hold classes and then a full scale exercise which could include a chemical tank truck from Shell.

There have been many improvements during the past 20 years, since local firefighters responded to their first hazardous material incident at the Circle Bar Truck Corral, when a truck driver notices liquid coming from his trailer. He had been instructed, that should he see any thing leaking from his trailer, he should walk away from his truck and call the fire department. He did, but decided to unhook from the leaking trailer. During the process, he came in contact with the liquid. Six months later he was dead.

Local firefighters first identified the chemical, then called the manufacturer for guidance in containing the material until company officials arrived. Wearing protective clothing and breathing apparatus, firemen located and removed the leaking drum, the floor of the trailer was covered with

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Commissioners approve health insurance

Crockett County commissioners met Feb. 12 at 6 p.m. to approve a health insurance plan. Also on the agenda for this meeting were approving an optional dental plan and a cafeteria plan for the county employees.

In a four-part motion by Fred Deaton and seconded by Frank Tambunga, commissioners voted for a contract with West Texas Rural Counties Association requesting a letter of commitment from WTRCA outlining the takeover procedures of the Crockett County group. The motion also requested a letter from Continental Reinsurance Company approving WTRCA takeover and contract with the Crockett County group and a monthly report on activities and a financial statement.

In a separate motion by Deaton and seconded by Tambunga, commissioners voted to use Mark White as the local agent representing Crockett County to WTRCA.

Commissioners voted to accept the optional dental plan offered by Ameritas Plan II on a motion by Tambunga which was seconded by Rudy Martinez.

The court voted to have a cafeteria plan installed at no cost to the county (this allows employees to select from certain insurance options) and appointed Mark White as agent of record for the cafeteria and voluntary dental and AFLAC products. This was on a motion by Tambunga seconded by Martinez.

Health board votes room rate increase

Members of the Crockett County Health Services and Care Center board met in special session Feb. 11 at noon for the purpose of considering raising room rates at the care center.

Rates for private pay residents will be raised \$3 per day in both the

semi-private and private rooms. With the increase, daily rates will be \$61.00, \$71.00 and \$93.00.

Room rates for residents who are not private pay are determined by the government.

Early voting begins Feb. 23 in primary

Early voting by personal appearance in the Democratic and Republican March 10 primaries begins Feb. 23 at Crockett County Courthouse. Voting will be conducted during regular business hours Monday through Friday from Feb. 23 through March 6.

Local candidates are listed on the Democratic Party ballot which will be counted electronically. County and District Clerk Debbi Puckett-Moore cautions voters that it is important that they follow instructions on the ballot concerning darkening the oval beside the candidate's name with pencils provided in the voting booths.

The Republican Party ballot will be handcounted.

Candidates for county judge are Jeffrey Sutton and Fred Deaton. District and County Clerk Debbi Puckett-Moore is unopposed on the ballot as are County Treasurer Burl J. Myers and County Chairman A. O. Fields. Listed as candidates for Justice of the Peace, Pct. 1 are Bob Falkner and James M. (Jim) Heame.

Pleas Childress III is unopposed for commissioner of Pct. 2. In Pct. 4, Jesse De La Garza and incumbent Rudy R. Martinez are on the ballot.

Three letters of intent to file as

independent candidates in the general election were presented to Judge Jeffrey Sutton. Declaring their intent to seek a place on the ballot in the general election are Orlando De Hoyos, candidate for county judge; Catarino Villarreal, candidate for treasurer; and Victor De La Garza, candidate for justice of the peace.

Crockett County's Brock Jones, district judge of the 112th Judicial District, is also on the Democratic ballot. He has no Republican candidate opposition.

Included on the Democratic Party ballot are three propositions. Their wording is as follows.

Proposition No. 1 - Do you support a change in law requiring health maintenance organizations (HMO) to offer Texans an option to choose their own doctors?

Proposition No. 2 - Do you support a constitutional amendment prohibiting sales taxes on food and medicine?

Proposition No. 3 - Do you support a plan to better recruit and retain qualified teachers in Texas classrooms and to make computers accessible for education to all students in Texas public schools?

Amber Tarr named Sports Extra Scholar Athlete of the Week

By David Screws
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

Last Tuesday in Wall Ozona's all-state basketball star and future Texas Tech Lady Raider was presented with the honor of High School Sports Extra scholar athlete of the week. This award is given out each week to deserving young men and women throughout the state of Texas who have performed with the highest degree of skill in the world of sports while maintaining grades that are

nothing short of excellent.

Amber Tarr is currently sitting at the top of this year's graduating class and, in all likelihood will be the valedictorian of the 1998 senior class. Her current grade point average is an 8.0 on an 8.0 scale.

This kind of accomplishment along with her many honors on the basketball court takes many hours of hard work at home bent over the books late into the night after the physical rigors of training in the gym. Congratulations to Amber for this very prestigious honor.

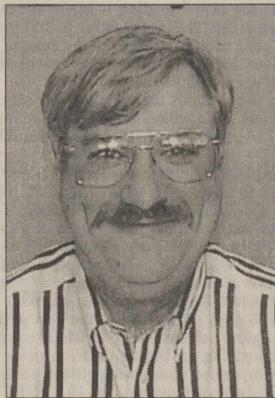
Sims asks for re-election to school board

"I am seeking re-election to the at-large position of the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District," said Dr. Marcus Sims.

"A basic education is a necessity as a foundation for a lifetime of continuing education. In a world of scientific and technologic advances, students must be prepared to continue their education beyond the high school level in either college or trade school. I would like the opportunity to continue to serve on our board to see that our students receive the best education possible," said Sims.

"In addition, I feel that as a trustee it is my duty to be a good conservator of our taxes.

"Thanks for your support." Pol. Adv. Pd. For By Dr. Marcus L. Sims, P. O. Box 580, Ozona, TX 76943.



DISTRICT FREE THROW CONTEST WINNERS will advance to regional competition in Wall on Feb. 22. Local winners of the Knights of Columbus sponsored event competed at district in Sonora on February 14. Advancing to regional are: Derek Wiley, J.D. Borrego, Britney Ramos, Jenna Henderson, Erin Castro, Lalo Garza and Carlos Salazar (not pictured). DigiCam Photo by Scotty Moore

The Weather

Date	H	Lo	Rain
Feb. 9	75	37	-0-
Feb. 10	60	28	-0-
Feb. 11	64	29	.3
Feb. 12	63	37	-0-
Feb. 13	60	37	-0-
Feb. 14	52	45	-0-
Feb. 15	53	39	-0-

(Readings are for a 24 hour period beginning at 8 a.m.)
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Day	Icon	Hi	Lo
Wed	☁	73	36
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Fri	☀	74	36
Sat	☁	66	42

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News Reel

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News Reel
 Marlin Farris, 220 pound 6 ft., 4 in. center for the Ozona Lions for the past four years, signed a letter of intent for Coach Grant Teaff, head football coach at Angelo State College, Monday afternoon.

News Reel
 The Crockett County 4-H Horse Club met in an organizational meeting Tuesday night in the high school library. The club tentatively set the date of the county 4-H Horse Show for April 26.

News Reel
 The first rainfall of any consequence this year fell Friday afternoon and night during a blustery thunderstorm. Official rain gauges recorded 1.8 inches here in town.

News Reel
 Erby Chandler's Appaloosa colt, Wes Hardin, placed first in his class in the horse show in connection with the San Antonio Livestock Exposition last week.

News Reel
 Mr. and Mrs. Richard Spanier of Copeland, Kansas, left Saturday after spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Collett and family.

News Reel
 Douglas Stuart of Washington, D.C. is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Stuart, his grandmother, Mrs. Ray Dunlap, and other relatives.

News Reel
 T. Mark White of Roswell, has been appointed a district manager for the Equitable Life Insurance Society of the U.S., it was announced by Richard F. Marink, agency manager here.

News Reel
 Mrs. Evert White is in Odessa with her daughter, Mrs. Buck Oglivy, who suffered a broken leg in a fall on a ski slope near Ruidoso, NM Friday.

News Reel
 Mrs. W. H. Whitaker is in Shannon Hospital in San Angelo, suffering from complications brought on by a relapse of influenza.

*Hazardous

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sand and the situation was neutralized. Since then, other accidents involving acid trucks and propane transports have been successfully dealt with.

From our local standpoint, one of the most beneficial changes has been the addition of the Texas Department of Public Safety to the emergency scene. All license and weight troopers receive training in hazardous materials, plus the allocation of the excellent communications and computer data base maintained by the Department of Public Safety.

News Reel
 Mrs. Ashby McMullan is in room 11 in Baptist Memorial Hospital at San Angelo where she is undergoing medical treatment.

News Reel
 Hurst Meinecke is in Shannon Hospital in San Angelo where he was taken earlier this week for medical treatment.

News Reel
 Postmaster Floyd Hokit announced this week that the Ozona post office will be closed Saturday, Feb. 22, for Washington's birthday, a legal holiday.

NEWS REEL
FEB. 22, 1940

News Reel
 Jess Sweeten has accepted a position as mechanic at the James Motor Co., local Dodge and Plymouth dealers.

News Reel
 Mrs. J. C. Montgomery escaped injury Saturday when her car was in a collision with a car driven by a San Angelo man on the Mertzson-San Angelo highway.

News Reel
 Mrs. E. R. Kinsler underwent an operation in a San Angelo hospital last week. She is reported recovering satisfactorily.

News Reel
 Buddy Moore and J. P. Pogue were in San Angelo Monday to see the Louis-Godoy prize fight showing on the screen at a theater there.

News Reel
 Joe Friend returned from a hunting trip on a ranch near Alpine the first part of this week, bringing the paw of a huge panther that he and several others killed Sunday.

The incident in Sutton County is a good example of how emergency services respond to hazardous material incidents. Information is the key. When Sonora firefighters and EMS personnel were dispatched, it was known that a truck had overturned, the vehicle was on fire, and that people were injured. Information was then relayed that it was a chemical truck. The first reports were that it was a truck carrying hydrochloric acid. En route, firefighters brought out the "books" to determine the proper response and safety measures necessary to deal with this particular chemical. Arriving at the scene, they took the initial step of donning full bunker gear with air-pacs. Hose lines were set, but before any additional actions were taken, positive identification of the material involved was made. "Information" and especially the correct information, is vital. With some difficulty the placards on the tank were located. The numbers did not match hydrochloric acid, but rather hydrofluoric acid. Back to the "book", and at that time personnel and equipment were withdrawn from the area. This was a level "A" emergency site. A fire truck remained on the scene during the entire period, using hose lines to decontaminate equipment used by the crews cleaning up the site.

At present time, local firefighters are equipped for level "C" only. With the help and training from Shell we hope to move up to level "B", but will never be equipped to deal with level "A" emergencies.

From time to time the question comes up of "who" is in charge. Responding to these incidents is like responding to a fire in a gas plant. Only the people who are familiar with the plant, the product and lay-out know how to deal with the situation. The fire department maintains the equipment, water, foam, air-pacs and protective clothing. How these are used is determined by plant personnel. They're the boss. They tell us what they want and need, and we tell them if we are capable of the response. In relation to a hazardous materials accident, the manufacturing company is the boss.

So far, no major hazardous materials accidents have happened in Crockett County. There are several sections of the county's emergency preparedness plan which would be implemented in case of a major hazardous materials accident. The two most vital sections deal with warning the public and sheltering those evacuated. In case of such an accident, emergency vehicles would drive up and down the streets telling people through loudspeakers to leave their homes and go to specific shelters.

Where the accident is, material involved, factors such as wind direction would all influence the emergency response.

The purpose of the fire department is to extinguish fires. In many incidents involving hazardous materials, the proper procedure is to allow the fire to burn itself out.

School Board Election Announcements

The following trustee candidates at large have authorized the Ozona Stockman their intentions to file as candidate for Ozona School Board positions

Dr. Marcus Sims
 Trustee Candidate At-Large
 Pol. Adv. Pd. For By Dr. Marcus L. Sims,
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Political Announcements

The following candidates have authorized The Ozona Stockman to announce their intentions to file as candidates for posts in the 1998 Democratic Primary

Justice of the Peace:
Bob R. Falkner
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James M. (Jim) Hearne
 Pol. adv. pd. for by James M. Hearne, Box 354, Ozona, Texas 76943

County Judge:
Fred Deaton
 Pol. adv. pd. for by Fred Deaton, Box 1087, Ozona, Texas 76943

Jeffrey Sutton
 Pol. adv. pd. for by Jeffrey Sutton, Box 1534, Ozona, Texas 76943

District Judge:
Brock Jones
 Pol. adv. pd. for by Brock Jones Campaign, M. Brock Jones Jr., Treasurer, H.C. 69, Box 35, Ozona, Texas 76943

Commissioner - Pct. 2
Pleas Childress III
 Pol. adv. pd. for by Pleas Childress III, Box 877, Ozona, Texas 76943

Commissioner - Pct. 4
Jesse F. De La Garza
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Rudy Martinez Jr.
 Pol. adv. pd. for by Rudy Martinez, Box 314, Ozona, Texas 76943

Treasurer
Burl Myers
 Pol. adv. pd. for by Burl Myers, Box 3060, Ozona, Texas 76943

Public Notice

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CONDUCT WEATHER MODIFICATION OPERATIONS IN THE STATE OF TEXAS

Date of the first of three weekly publications of this notice: Feb. 4, 1998 in the Ozona Stockman.

1. Notice is given that the West Texas Weather Modification Association 8696 Hangar Road, San Angelo, TX 76904, has filed an application with the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for a State permit to conduct weather modification operations to change, or attempt to change, the natural development of clouds for the purpose, objective, period, and by the method summarized herein below. The Executive Director will issue this permit unless a written hearing request is filed within 30 days after the first newspaper publication of this notice.

2. The West Texas Weather Modification Association submitted an application for a Texas weather modification license on January 15, 1998.

3. The purpose of the weather modification operation is to increase rainfall. The period of the permit is April 1, 1998 through March 31, 2002.

4. The proposed weather modification operation is to be conducted for and on behalf of the West Texas Weather Modification Association, 8696 Hangar Road, San Angelo, TX 76904.

5. The proposed weather modification operation is to be carried out in both an "operational area" and a "target area" to cause the intended effects to occur only in the target area. The operational area is that area including Coke, Crockett, Glasscock, Irion, Midland, Reagan, Schleicher, Sterling, Sutton, Tom Green, and Upton Counties, which is the target area; and those portions of the following counties within 30 miles of the outer boundary of the target area: Andrews, Concho, Crane, Ector, Edwards, Howard, Kimble, Martin, Menard, Mitchell, Nolan, Pecos, Runnels, Taylor, Terrell, and Val Verde.

6. The area to be affected by the proposed weather modification operation is the target area. The target area is that area described as Coke, Crockett, Glasscock, Irion, Midland, Reagan, Schleicher, Sterling, Sutton, Tom Green, and Upton Counties.

7. The methods and materials to be used in conducting this operation are summarized herein: A licensed meteorologist will select cumulus clouds or other appropriate clouds for cloud seeding using a weather radar display, standard meteorological analyses, forecasting techniques, surface weather observations, and pilot reports to initiate the release of the seeding particles, such as silver iodide crystals, from airplanes equipped with flare racks and/or generators.

8. Persons interested in knowing more about the technical aspects of the proposed operation should contact the applicant or George Bomar, MC 158, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087, (512) 239-0770.

9. Requests for hearing on this application must be submitted in writing during the 30-day notice period to the chief clerk's office, MC 105, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087, (512) 239-3300. The petition must contain (1) the signature, full name, address and phone number of each person requesting the hearing; (2) a statement that each person is at least 18 years of age and resides, or owns, property in the operational area; and (3) a description of each person's interest and how that interest would be adversely affected. Requests for hearing must be received by the commission within 30 days of the date of the first publication of this notice. If at least 25 eligible persons make written request, the commission will hold a public hearing on the application prior to issuance of the permit. For more information concerning citizen participation, contact Blas J. Coy, Jr., Public Interest Counsel, MC 103, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087, (512) 239-6363. 3c52

A REPUBLICAN PARTY COMMITTEE MEETING

will be held at

7 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 18

at

Crockett County National Bank's meeting room.

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Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT MW PETROLEUM CORPORATION, 2000 POST OAK BLVD #100, HOUSTON, TX 77056 has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code Section 3.37) Applicant seeks exception to distance between wells to: amend Well No. 4, J S Todd -A-Lease, 640 Acres Sec. 30, GC&SFRR CO/WP Seahorn Survey, A-5194, Wyatt Field(s), Crockett County, being 25 miles in a Northwest direction of Ozona, Texas. The location of this well is as follows:

1320' from the south line and 1980' from the west line of lease.
 1320' from the south line and 1980' from the westerly west line of survey.

Field rules for the Wyatt field are 467/1200, 40 acres. This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 1300 feet.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF Rule 37 (h)(2)(A), this application may be granted administratively if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest the application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative Debra J Anderson, at (713) 296-6338. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512) 463-6748.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE BY February 18, 1998 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY. 4c51



Amanda Hignight--Cook-of-the Week

Ozona High School Sophomore Amanda Hignight is The Ozona Stockman Cook of the Week. Amanda has been a member of the Crockett County 4-H program since third grade, and some of her cooking expertise comes from food and nutrition programs.

In addition to participating in the foods program, she raises show rabbits. The interest in rabbits has led her to adapt chicken recipes for use with rabbit meat. It can be substituted in any poultry or veal recipe.

An excellent source of protein, rabbit meat has no fat, no cholesterol, is all white meat with very little bone. The meat is easily digested and is recommended by physicians.

At eight weeks, a rabbit is ready to be considered a fryer and weighs about four pounds. Cost to raise to this stage is \$1.75.

Amanda says she is sometime teased by people who ask her about eating Peter Cottontail. Her reply is, "I don't have rabbits named that."

Part of her 4-H experience has included food trips to DeCoty Coffee Company, a tortilla factory and Ichiban's in San Angelo. She has also participated in 4-H clothing projects. Amanda is a member of the Ozona Lion Band, is in UIL spelling and the First Baptist Church youth group. She is the daughter of John and Sarah Hignight.

Amanda's Energy Bars

Amanda created this recipe from other ones she tried.

3/4 c. firmly packed brown sugar
1 -18 oz. jar Jif extra-crunchy peanut butter

6 oz. of your choice of dried fruit, cut into small pieces (orange or apple, depending on taste)

3/4 c. honey
1 - 17 oz. box Low Fat Nature Valley Fruit Granola Cereal

Mix sugar and honey in large saucepan; bring to boiling. Remove from heat. Stir in peanut butter; blend well. Add cereal, stirring carefully until well coated. Stir fruit bits into mixture. Prepare a 13x9x2 inch pan with a no fat no cholesterol - no stick cooking spray. Spread mixture into pan. Cool, cut into bars. Store in airtight container. Makes approximately 24 bars.

For variations, you can add a few chocolate chips for flavor or you may slowly drizzle a little chocolate on the top for a chocolate flavor. This adds calories and may not be good for everyone.

Spicy Rabbit Stew

2 T. Wok Oil (House of Tang product)

6 rabbit thighs, de-boned and cut into bite-size pieces

1 small onion, cut in 1 inch squares

1 large carrot, cut in 1/4 inch thick diagonal slices

1 large potato (about 1 lb.) cut in 1 inch cubes

3/4 c. rabbit broth

1/3 c. Szechuan Spicy Stir Fry Sauce

2 T cornstarch mixed with 1/4 c. water

Chopped parsley for garnish
Place a wok over high heat until hot. Add wok oil, swirling to coat sides. Add rabbit meat and cook for 3 1/2 minutes on each side or until browned. Remove and set aside rabbit and discard excess fat. Add onion to wok and stir-fry for one minute. Add rabbit, carrot, potato, broth and stir-fry sauce and bring to a boil. Reduce

heat, cover and simmer for 30 minutes or until carrot is tender. Add cornstarch solution and cook, stirring until slightly thickened. Sprinkle with chopped parsley. This recipe serves 4 to 6 people. Chicken may be substituted for rabbit.

Rabbit Pasta Salad

1 large whole frying rabbit or chicken

2 c. water

2 tsp. salt

1/4 tsp. pepper

1 bay leaf

1 - 5 oz. box vermicelli

2 T vegetable oil

1 1/2 T flavor enhancer

1 1/2 T lemon juice

2 stalks (ribs) celery

1 small jar diced pimientos

1 small can sliced ripe olives

4 green onions, chopped

1 c. mayonnaise

Place rabbit in large Dutch oven.

Add water, salt, pepper and bay leaf. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat, cover and simmer 45 minutes or until rabbit is tender. Remove rabbit, saving broth.

When rabbit cools, remove meat from bones and cut into small cubes. Add enough water to broth to make four cups liquid, then cook vermicelli in it according to package directions. Mix oil, flavor enhancer and lemon juice, and pour over drained, cooked pasta.

Add celery, pimientos, ripe olives, green onions, mayonnaise and two cups cubed rabbit meat. Mix well and serve warm or chilled. Makes 6 servings.

Rabbit Jambalaya

1 large, whole frying rabbit or chicken

2 c. water

2 tsp. salt

1/4 tsp. pepper

1 bay leaf

2 lg. onions, chopped

1 lg. clove garlic, minced

1 c. chopped celery

1/2 stick butter or margarine

1 1/2 lbs. canned tomatoes, chopped

1 lg. green pepper, chopped

1/2 tsp. thyme

1/4 tsp. cayenne pepper

1 c. uncooked rice

Place rabbit in large Dutch oven.

Add water, salt, pepper and bay leaf. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat, cover and simmer 45 minutes or until rabbit is tender. Remove rabbit, saving broth.

When rabbit cools, remove meat from bones and cut into cubes. Pour broth into measuring cup, remove bay leaf. Add enough water to make two cups.

Saute onions, garlic, and celery in butter or margarine until soft. Add tomatoes, green pepper, thyme, cayenne pepper, broth and cubed rabbit. Heat to boil. Add rice, reduce heat and cover. Simmer until rice is done.

Strawberry Angel Torte

Angel Loaf Cake:

1/2 c. sifted cake flour

3/4 c. (6) egg whites

Alpha Alpha Mu plans Vegas party

The Alpha Alpha Mu chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met twice in January. On Jan. 12, members met in the home of Tonya Poindexter. Tonya, Shawna Hopper and Robin Byrne were hostesses for the evening. On Jan. 26, members met in the home of Adrienne Cook. Adrienne and Prissy Cook were hostesses.

Both evenings' discussion centered around the planning of a "Vegas Party". Members will sell tickets to the community. Each ticket will include a chance for a three day, two night expense paid trip for two to Las Vegas and an invitation to the "Vegas" dinner and dance for two. The

dinner, dance and drawing will be held on April 18 at the Fair Park Convention Center. The dress will be semi-formal, and only those 21 years of age or older can purchase a ticket and attend. All proceeds will benefit the annual Alpha Alpha Mu scholarship fund.

Members of Alpha Alpha Mu are: Tonya Bullard, Robin Byrne, Adrienne Cook, Prissy Cook, Dana Cowen, Kristi Ellis, Laurie Hale, Shawna Hopper, Tonya Poindexter, Rhonda Shaw, Patricia Sutton, Jana Wilson, Shelly Childress, Melissa Morris, Sandi Screws, Suzanne Whitley, Donna Wiley and Debbie Gaskill. Rhonda Shaw reporting



Miss Miller, Mr. Davis marry in Dallas ceremony

Preccia Olivia Miller became the bride of Christopher Maurice Lands Davis Feb. 7, 1998, in Dallas.

The ceremony was held in Wynne Chapel of Highland Park Presbyterian Church with Rev. Dr. B. Clayton Bell Sr. officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Johnson of Sonora and Mike Miller of Ozona. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Miller of Ozona. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Gary Davis of Dallas. He is the grandson of Mrs. Nellie Davis of Beaver, OH.

Brandi Ware of Dallas was matron of honor, and Madeline Barrows of San Angelo was flower girl.

Best man was Ryan Douglas of Beaver, OH, was acolyte, and ushers were Miles Miller and Matthew Miller, brothers of the bride from Austin, and Timothy Cox, brother-in-law of the bridegroom from Dallas.

The wedding reception was held

at the Hotel St. Germaine. Casey Miller of Sonora, sister of the bride, was a member of the houseparty. Following a wedding trip to Utah, the couple will be at home in Plano. The bride is a graduate of Sonora High School and Stephens College in Columbia, MO. She is employed by Ligon Corporation in Dallas. The bridegroom is a graduate of Plano High School in Plano and North Texas State University in Denton. He is employed by Steve Roberts Custom Homes in Dallas.

Woman's Forum program at care center

On Feb. 3, 1998, Pauline Brown and Nancy Childress hosted the Woman's Forum at the civic center. The Valentine's theme was used.

Forum Singers gave the program for the residents at the care center.

Club members returned to the civic center where vice-president Glenda Henderson presided at the business meeting.

County Judge Jeffrey Sutton and his wife, Carmen Sutton, were introduced.

Louise Taliaferro was welcomed as a new member.

Katharine Russell led the group in singing the Federation Creed.

Members attending were: Jewel Bailey, Sandy Bebee, Jane Black, Pauline Brown, Louise Bunger, Crystelle Childress, Nancy Childress, Marilyn Cox, Beverly Evans, Martha Gries, Charlotte Harrell, Glenda Henderson, Benny Gail Hunnicutt, Lu Ingram, Jimmie Jacoby, Georgia Kirby, Dorothy Montgomery, Willa Perry, Katharine Russell, Margaret Tabb, Elaine Phillips, Mary Sellers, Gerry Pesson and Louise Taliaferro.

It's a girl!

Edward and Linda Borrego are the parents of a daughter, Kimberly Ann, born Feb. 14, 1998, in San Angelo at Shannon Women's and Children's Hospital. The little girl arrived weighing six and one-half pounds. She was 18 inches long.

Joining in making her welcome are big brother Joe Patrick, grandparents Margaret and Victor Villarreal and Yolanda and Joe Borrego of Ozona and great-grandfathers Felipe Muñoz and Bernabe Villarreal, also of Ozona.

It's a girl!

Mark and Debbie Farrell are the proud parents of a beautiful baby girl, Maranda Michele. She was born on Jan. 26, 1998, at 11:06 p.m. in De Tar Hospital in Victoria. The baby weighed eight pounds, two ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long at birth.

She is welcomed home by her big sister, Alayna Gayle, now four years old.

Proud grandparents are Jr. and Eloise Whitley of Ozona and Edward and Betty Farrell of Alice.

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ENJOYING THE LOCAL BAND with the Care Center residents are Kimberley, T.J. and Tasha Nowell. Submitted Photo

Care Center Chatter

Tuesday morning Wanda Watts was in for a visit to see her dad, Jeff Owens. Wanda and her family gave a donation for our outings to Burger King. Thank you. All the residents enjoy this activity.

Wednesday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Brown, Tasha Nowell and children Kimberly and T. J. joined residents in listening to the local band.

Thursday Jan and Josie took Lela Nussbaumer, Wilma Friend and Ruby Reeves to San Angelo for a day of shopping. These ladies know how to shop for sure. They said they had a great time.

Friday afternoon was crowning of the Valentine King and Queen. Taking the honors were Alvin Jensen and Hazel McDaniel. Their royal court was Velta Stanton and Emmitt Cain. Congratulations.

Two shirts donated by The Foot-Note were raffled off. Names were drawn by Pat Nicks. Winners were Micky Frazier, LVN, and Angelica Pence, CNA.

Valentine cookies, punch and ice cream were served at the Valentine party along with chocolate Valentine candies.

Audrey Glynn, Pat Nicks and

Ruby Huereca are to be thanked for being our hostesses for the afternoon.

Special thanks go to the 4-H youth for their decorated Valentine sacks of candy, to Commissioner Fred and Pat Nicks for treating residents and staff to heart-shaped cookies and Wilma Carson's family for the chocolate heart candies for each resident.

Friday the 13th wasn't unlucky for Rosa Diaz as she won six games of bingo. This put her in the top winner's place for the week with runners up Etoile Bennett and Monie Brewer.

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VALENTINE KING AND QUEEN Alvin Jensen and Hazel McDaniel reigned over the holiday festivities at Crockett County Care Center. Submitted Photo

Happy 1st Birthday
Katelynn
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Ozona Chamber of Commerce - Member of the Week

Charlie and Lib Applewhite

Lib Applewhite became a part-time worker at Ozona Chamber of Commerce about three years ago. She and husband Charlie volunteer their assistance for various special chamber events. They are also Helping Hands volunteers and deliver Meals on Wheels one or two days a week.

Both are retired. Charlie was a partner in Ozona Butane for 40 years. Lib worked for WTU for a number of years and retired from Crockett County Water Control after 40 years.

The two met while she was working at WTU, then the ice plant, also. Charlie came here with a survey crew and would come to the office to pay for ice. They were married March 14, 1946.

Since his retirement, Charlie has earned the title of Most Prolific Reader. They love to fish at their lease on the Devil's River.

The Applewhites are the parents of four children, Vicki Nichols, Jill Preston, Jack Applewhite and the late Johnny Childress. Lib and Charlie have nine grandchildren. They are members of Ozona United Methodist Church.

For more information on how you or your business can become a members of Ozona Chamber of Commerce, call 392-3737 & talk to executive director Shelly Childress.



Lib and Charlie Applewhite

Look Closely

By Rev. Dan Fleming
Calvary Baptist Church

Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life; and they are they which testify of me. John 5:39

"You can't see the forest for the trees!" "It's as plain as the nose on your face!" Growing up in a small town, I heard these expressions all the

time. In fact, I heard them so often that it became easy to ignore their meaning. I have asked myself why that happens. Why do we ignore or become desensitized to the obvious?

For instance, why do we drive along in our cars noting the "Speed Limit 65" sign while our speedometers silently blare 70 at night? We see flashing red and blue lights in our rearview mirror and ask, surprised, "What's the problem?"

We diligently search for misplaced car keys only to discover them in our pocket or on the table just where we left them. The keys were there all the time, but our perspective prevented our finding them sooner.

Unlike the religious leader in the text, we need to accept and understand God's message as it is, not as we presume it to be. Look closely, for in them we see Jesus, the Way of life and the Word of truth.

<p>First Baptist Church 901 Ave. D Rev. Bill Fuller Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m.</p>	<p>Ozona Church of Christ 1002 11th St. Mr. Johnnie Perkins Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:30 p.m. Sun. Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.</p>	<p>Ozona United Methodist Church 12 - 11th St. Rev. James Carter Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11:00 a.m.</p>
<p>Mt. Zion Baptist Church Cenisa St. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m.</p>	<p>Faith Lutheran Church 802 1st St. Rev. Charles Huffman Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 9 a.m.</p>	<p>Templo Siloe Assembly of God Church 526 Santa Rosa St. - Rev. Sergio Arrellano Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Tues. Prayer Meeting: 7 p.m. Wed. Family Service: 6:30 p.m.</p>
<p>Templo Bautista Jerusalem 138 Blas St. Pastor Miguel Arjon Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m.</p>	<p>Church of God of Prophecy 102 Man O' War St. Pastor Lupe Domoniquez Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 4:30 p.m. Tues. & Thurs.: 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Our Lady of Perpetual Help 219 Martinez St. Rev. Henry Laenen Sun Mass: 11:00 a.m. Sat.: 7:00 p.m. M. W. F. - 8:30 a.m.</p>
<p>Calvary Baptist Church 601 Ave. I Rev. Daniel C. Fleming Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Wed. & Sun. Worship: 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Iglesia Bautista Nueva Vida 601 Ave. I Pastor Francisco Rojas Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. service: 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Apostolic Church 307 Santa Rosa St. Rev. Hector De La Cruz Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 5 p.m. Thur. Service: 7:30 p.m.</p>
<p>Harvest Time Christian Center 604 11th St. Rev. Mike Davis Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship: 6:00 p.m. Wed.: Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Iglesia de Cristo Hwy 163 S. at Quail Run. Sr. Manuel Suchil Sunday Bible Study: 9:45 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. Worship: 10:45 a.m. Wed.: Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Attend The Church Of Your Choice This Sunday</p>

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Radiothon benefits St. Jude's Hospital

Theta Alpha Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha of San Angelo will sponsor its second radiothon for St. Jude's Feb. 26-27. Carried by KIXY at 94.7, the radiothon welcomes donations or messages of support throughout this week. To participate, call the station at 949-9470 and ask for David.

The 1997 event in San Angelo raised more than \$20,000 for St. Jude Children's Hospital. This year's goal is to raise at least one dollar more than last year, says a spokesperson for the sorority.

Since St. Jude's became a project of the international sorority in 1972, the organization worldwide has raised more than 25 million for the hospital.

St. Jude Hospital is the largest childhood cancer research center in the world in terms of numbers of patients and treatment successes. It is the first and only institution established for the sole purpose of conducting basic and clinical research into catastrophic childhood diseases. St. Jude Children's Research Hospital was founded by the late Danny Thomas.

Community Calendar

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Feb. 18 - Social Security Rep. 1-2:30 p.m. Courthouse Annex.

Feb. 18 - School Board Policy Work Session 6 p.m. Followed By A 7 p.m. Special Session. 797 Ave. D Board Room

Feb. 19 - Commissioners Court 6 p.m. District Courtroom.

To add your event to *The Ozona Stockman Community Calendar*, call 392-2551, or contact Ozona Chamber of Commerce at 392-3737.

Record research topic of genealogical meeting

The San Angelo Genealogical and Historical Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3, in the fellowship hall of the Church of Christ at 901 Main Street in San Angelo.

Marie Russell, retired county clerk for Tom Green County, will give a program on researching county records at the court house.

The society meets the first Tuesday of each month, September through May. Visitors are welcomed.

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Psalms 119:75
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I would like to thank everyone for including me in their prayers and thoughts during my short stay in the hospital and during my recovery at home.

Thank you,
Hilda Powers - "Grammer"

Card of Thanks

People have been unbelievably good to us since the death of our son, Johnny. We've tried to thank everyone for their many kind actions, but fear we may have missed someone. If we have failed to acknowledge your thoughtfulness, please accept our regrets and our thanks.

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Ladies of Faith give "Burnt Offerings"

Ladies of Faith of Ozona's Faith Lutheran Church have begun sales of their cookbook, *Burnt Offerings*. The publication is available in several Ozona businesses for \$7.25. Included as an extra is a Capitol Cookies, with cookie recipes from every state capital and Washington, D.C.

In addition to a wealth of recipes, the cookbook includes information on healthy cooking and eating, a table for cooking vegetables, a quick summary of herbs and seeds, a calorie counter and a guide to daily food choices.

Work on the book began in September, said Betty Huffman, president of Faith Lutheran Women's Organization. "It was fun," she says of the cookbook production.

Recipes come from church members, relatives and friends, and former members who no longer live in Ozona.

Marlene Thomas, who is co-chairman of the project along with Thelma Janes, designed the cover and typed the recipes. Louise Taliaferro, Linda Taylor and Lynda Wende were proof-readers for the project. "We're proud of it," said Mrs. Thomas of the finished product.

The Lutheran Ladies selected a cookbook as an added fundraiser to their Mother's Day bake sale. "This way we will have more funds to help in the community with the profit from cookbooks," said Mrs. Huffman. All the profits from the cookbook will be used in Ozona, she said.

Levis and Lace chooses Valentine's Day queen

Levis and Lace Square Dancers had a Valentine's Day dance Saturday, Feb. 14, at Ozona Comfort Inn. The Valentine dance caller was Ed Hart from Bronte. One of the events at this dance was the crowning of the Valentine dance queen. Chosen for 1998 is Mozelle Houston. She has been dancing with Levis and Lace for three years.

In March the club will have its regular two dances. On Saturday,

March 14, at the Ozona Civic Center, Bill Pritchard of Eagle Pass will be calling. This dance is going to be a graduation dance. Randy Hooker will call the dance on Saturday, March 28.

Remember, Levis and Lace's 12th anniversary dance will be held April 24-25 at the Ozona Civic Center. The community is always invited to all dances at no charge for spectators. Dan Fleming reporting

Benefits of laughter explained at Woman's League meeting Feb. 11

Lu Ingram gave a program on the benefits of laughter. Laughter is the Best Medicine, Feb. 11 for Woman's League. The meeting was held in the conference room of the Extension Office with Peggy Dickerson as hostess.

Members attending included: Jane Chandler, Belinda Wilkins, Vicki Stokes, Jodie Childress, Becky Childress, Stacy Childress, Katrece Hale, Vickie Black, Jeannine Henderson and Kathy Vickers.

Happy Birthday

Feb. 18 - Billie Rose Bailey, Amanda Carson, Leslie Flores, Conrado Flores, Phillip Munoz Jr.

Feb. 19 - Inez Ortiz, Hilda Galindo, Lando Peña-Alfaro, Jeffrey Young, Dario Porras Jr., Jeffrey Sanchez, Gavino Omar Flores

Feb. 20 - Ray Don Myers, Jesse Salazar, Amy Newton, H.C. Delgado, Floyd Pruett, Ramon Maldonado, Chenay Lipscomb, Juan Borrego, Wilma Villanueva, Sally De La Rosa, Irma Ybarra, Juan Castellanos, Yolanda Flores

Feb. 21 - Shane Fenton, Ethel Miller, Norma G. Perez, Onecimo Ortiz, Jacob Lara, Corey Galindo, Theresa Charles

Feb. 22 - Bryan Trujillo, T. K. O'Bryant, Andres Mata, Norma Araceli Ortega, Abigail Rodriguez, Eddie Ten Eyck, Lionel Martinez Sr., Tyler Charles, Victor Villa

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By Linda Casey

Wandering in circles in life is no more productive than driving in circles in a car.

Doing a good job at whatever you do can be its own reward. It makes you feel good about yourself.

No matter how smart you are you still need common sense to succeed in life.

Sometimes I think I'm getting old; my teeth are in a glass, my glasses are beside the bed, and my hair color and tan come from a bottle.

Being too good a cook added lots of inches to my body. Since I quit cooking, I've lost plenty of inches.

Trying to grow up too fast usually only slows us down. Those childhood years must be lived through, and it's harder with adult responsibilities.

Most of us get back what we put into life. If we don't put anything in, we won't get anything back.

If you don't tell your parents you love them today, they may be gone tomorrow and never know how you felt.

Leaving things until tomorrow can end with a large pile of undone deeds.

Being unkind to others could lead to others being unkind to you in return.



Happy 3rd
 Birthday
 Sasha

Love, Mama
 & Dada

Notice: To Precinct 4 Residents: Why is it time for a change?

- (1.) Historically, our Precinct has been Neglected when it comes to County Services!
- (2.) Historically, the services needed in our Precinct could have been done within the existing budgets!
- (3.) Historically, County Government has usually seen fit to concentrate our taxpayer money on other unnecessary programs or items!
- (4.) Historically, even though Precinct 4 residents have paid their fair share of taxes, they have not received their fair share of county services!
- (5.) Historically, services that could have helped our youth have been seriously neglected!
- (6.) Historically, the streets, roads and alleys in Precinct 4 have been neglected!
- (7.) Historically, blue collar county employees have been underpaid!

Presently, if elected, I will make every effort to see that Precinct 4 residents obtain all the services necessary to better our precinct and still stay within the existing Budget!

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D.A.R.E. ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS Gage Crawford, Jenna Henderson, Makinsey Morris and Jared Bird joined the Noon Lions Club at their regular meeting last Thursday. They are pictured with D.A.R.E. instructor Dan Griffith and Lions club president Jeffery Stuart. DigiCam Photo by Linda Moore

Ladies golf team opens season

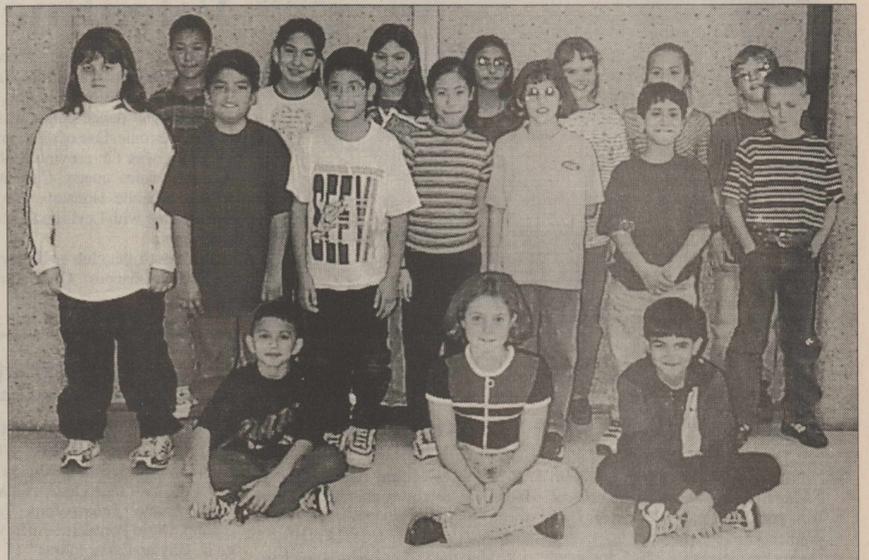
By David Screws
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

Ozona High's defending state champion Lady Lion's golf squad began its 1998 season in the prestigious San Angelo Golf Classic on Feb. 6-7. Coach Rodney Johnson heads up the squad which returns 4 of the 5 ladies from last year's team.

The Lady Lions were in tall company in this tournament since they were the only 2A club among fifteen teams, all others being from the 5A ranks. The ladies shot consistently over the two day event to place 10th among the team standings.

Senior Lauren Wilkins led her team with a 98 on Friday and an 87 on Saturday for a two day total of 185. Kristy Pridemore shot 95 and 94 for a total score of 189. Melissa Childress had a 107 and a 109 while Loretta Stewart shot 123 and 124. The Lady Lions team totals were 423 on Friday and 414 on Saturday.

Odessa Permian took the top honors in the event.



THE STUDENTS OF MRS. MACIAS at Ozona Intermediate School earned a pizza party last Friday with their accomplishments in the Accelerated Reading Program. The students are: (not in order) Kaysi Adams, Alberto Barrera, Francisco Batrez, Eric Fierro, Melory Galindo, Brayla Gesch, Clint Hale, Raymond Maldonado, Lionel Martinez, Kerri Mendez, Jamie Moore, Casey Nicks, Gloria Onate, Kayla Pratt, Ana Rivero, Gilberto Sanchez, Jimmy Tebbetts and Holly Trevino. DigiCam Photo by Susan Calloway

JV Lions top Hawks

By David Screws
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

Last week in Wall the Junior Varsity Lions put together a well-balanced scoring attack to down the Wall Hawks by 51-42. The win pushed their season record to 18-9 while amassing a district slate of 7-2.

Brad Sullivan led the offense with 10 points but 5 more Lions were within five points of him and 2 more also hit the bucket. Matt Castaneda had 9 points and Juan Garcia had 8.

Great defense from the entire team also contributed much to the successful outing.

Score by quarters:

Ozona	10	18	6	17-51
Wall	11	12	6	13-42

Scoring: Brad Sullivan (10), Seth Webster (2), Clay Richardson (6), Ken Sessom (2), Juan Garcia (8), Jomie Tebbetts (7), Matt Castaneda (9), Ryan Bean (7).

Ozona High School tennis season opens

By David Screws
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

If you think this isn't the time of year for tennis, guess again. The Ozona High tennis squads under Coach Rick Backman entered last weekend's abbreviated West Texas High School Tennis Championships in San Angelo. All of the entrants played two or more matches against stiff competition in the huge event. Casey Jamerson was the only one to make it to Saturday's level, but his match was stopped and the tournament was canceled due to foul weather conditions. At the time Jamerson had lost his first set to Hitchcock of San Angelo Central by 6-1 and was down only 6-5 in the second set with the momentum going his way.

Following are the results of the matches played by Ozona's team:

Girl's Singles Group A

Cara Green lost to Strong of Lubbock Estacado, 7-6(7-3), 6-2. Green lost to Simpson of Lakeview, 6-1, 6-1.

Girl's Singles group B

Felicia Ramirez defeated Martinez of Wall, 6-2, 7-5.

Ramirez lost to Edmiston of Eldorado, 6-0, 6-2.

Girl's Doubles Group A

Patricia Garza & Michelle Camarillo lost to Dominguez and Pharnoh of Pecos, 6-1, 6-1.

Garza-Camarillo lost to Williams and King of Brady, 7-6(7-5), 6-1.

Girl's Doubles Group B

Shelly Cornett and Millie Sanchez defeated Perez and Renteria of Lubbock Estacado, 6-1, 6-4.

Cornett-Sanchez lost to Davis-Offil of Lake View, 7-5, 4-6, 7-6(8-6).

Boy's Singles Group A

Byron Beasley lost to Lozano of Reagan County, 1-6, 6-0, 6-0.

Beasley lost to Fulgencio of Lake View, 6-1, 6-1.

Boy's Singles Group C

Casey Jamerson defeated Collett of Wall, 6-0, 6-0.

Jamerson trailed in a suspended match with Hitchcock of San Angelo central, 6-1, 6-5.

Boy's Doubles Group A

Mack Lindsay and Harrell Hodges lost to Mays and Smith of Brady, 6-0, 6-3.

Lindsay-Hodges lost to Guerro-Hodges of Lake View, 6-1, 6-0.

Boy's Doubles Group B

Tim Batura and Ronnie Tippee lost to Hamons and Everett of Central, 6-1, 6-0.

Batura-Tippee lost to Wilbur and Gibson of Monahans, 6-0, 6-0.

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DOE Report Shows Natural Gas Is America's Best Energy Value, A.G.A. Says

Arlington, VA, January 7 - Recent data released by the Department of Energy shows that natural gas will continue to be the consumer's best energy value in 1998, according to the American Gas Association (A.G.A.)

"Each year, DOE publishes an estimate of residential energy cost for the coming year," said David N. Parker, A.G.A. president and CEO. "This year, as in the past 17 years, DOE reports that natural gas is the best buy-with electricity costing four times more on an energy equivalent basis."

The DOE data, published in the December 8, 1997, *Federal Register*, reports that in 1998 natural gas will cost \$6.19 per million Btu, compared with \$24.68 for electricity for \$6.85 for heating oil. The prices are computed in Btu, a standard measure of energy value,

to make comparisons. The costs per Btu are equivalent to 61.9 cents per therm for natural gas, 8.42 cents per kilowatt hour for electricity and 95 cents per gallon for heating oil.

"The difference can be dramatic over time... a natural gas heating system could save a homeowner as much as \$20,000 over an electric-resistance heating system or almost \$5,000 compared with an electric heat pump system."

"While the up-front cost of an appliance, water heater or furnace should be considered, it is not as important as what a consumer will spend to operate that piece of equipment over its lifetime," Parker said. "That's particularly true for heating equipment, which is gener-

ally the biggest energy-user in a home." The DOE cost estimates are used in the Federal Trade Commission's appliance labeling program. Parker said, and are designed to help consumers choose equipment that is the most economical to operate.

"The difference can be dramatic over time," Parker said. "For example, a natural gas heating system over the life of the furnace could save a homeowner as much as \$20,000 over an electric resistance heating system or almost \$5,000 compared with an electric heat pump system. Plus a gas furnace lasts an average of 18 years, while an electric heat pump's expected life is about 12 years."

Parker said that gas service is available in all 50 states and in all major urban areas.

Representative Average Unit Costs of Energy For Five Residential Energy Sources (1998)

Energy:	In common terms:	\$/per millions Btu ¹
Electricity	8.42 cents/kWh ²	\$24.68
Natural gas ³	61.9 cents/therm ⁴ (or \$6.36/thousand cubic feet)	6.19
No. 2 Heating oil	95 cents/gallon	6.85
Propane	95 cents/gallon	10.39
Kerosene	\$1.01/gallon	7.48

¹ Btu stands for British thermal unit, a standard energy value

² kilowatt hour

³ natural gas prices include taxes

⁴ 1 therm is equivalent to 100,000 Btu

Source: U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Efficiency and Renewable Energy

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392-2201

Power lifting team competed at Sterling City last weekend

By David Screws
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

Last weekend a contingency of Ozona High School Lions competed in a power lifting meet at Sterling City. It was actually the second competition of the season for the young men but no results are available for the first one.

Power lifting scores are a summation of total weight lifted in bench press, squats, and dead lift and the participants are sorted in various weight classes.

Marcos Cordova and Luis Hernandez placed 6th and 7th respectively in the 242 pound division.

Cordova benched 290, squat 430 and dead lifted 420 for a total of 1140 pounds. In that same order Hernandez had scores of 255, 430, and 420 for a total of 1070 pounds.

In the 192 pound class Dustin Shaffer placed 7th with a bench of 240, squat of 405, and dead lift of 350 for a sum of 995. Roman Castaneda competed in the same class but did not place in the top 10. He had 170, 300, and 275 for a total of 745.

In the 164 pound division Alex Castaneda took a 4th place finish with a bench press of 245, squat of 345, and dead lift of 400. His total score was 990.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Southwestern Bell) filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) to charge an additional 26 cents per month per line to recover costs for providing Expanded Local Calling service (ELC) to certain Texas Customers.

The 26 cents per month surcharge would not be billed to customers who receive ELC. However, customers who receive ELC and pay less than the maximum \$3.50 a month residential ELC charge or less than the maximum \$7 business ELC charge will have to pay the additional 26 cents per month charge.

Expanded Local Calling was created in 1993 by Texas legislation that requires telephone companies to provide toll-free calling between small towns that share a community of interest such as a school or hospital district. The legislation allows telephone companies to recover costs not paid through customer charges by applying a surcharge to all other customers in the state who do not receive the ELC service or who do not pay the maximum ELC rate. The maximum monthly ELC rate allowed under state law is \$3.50 per line for residential customers and \$7 per line for business customers.

Southwestern Bell estimates that the 26 cents per month per line charge will recover the \$27 million annual cost of providing ELC service that is not recovered from ELC rates.

If approved by the PUC, the monthly statewide surcharge of 26 cents per line per month will begin with the April, 1998 billing cycles, with an agreement to refund all or part of the charge if the PUC does not approve it.

For questions about the reasons for the charge, please call the Southwestern Bell Business Office listed in your directory.

The PUC assigned Docket Number 18513 to this proceeding. The deadline for intervention in this matter is March 31, 1998. Persons who wish to intervene or comment in these proceedings should notify the PUC by March 31, 1998. All requests to intervene should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX, 78711-3326. For information intervening, please call the PUC at 1-888-782-8477 or at 512-936-7120.

AVISO PUBLICO

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Southwestern Bell) presentó una solicitud ante la Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas (PUC) para cobrar 26 centavos más al mes por línea para recuperar los costos por el servicio de Llamadas Locales Ampliadas (ELC) a ciertos clientes en Texas.

El cargo de 26 centavos al mes no se cobrará a los clientes que reciben ELC. Sin embargo, los clientes que reciben ELC y pagan menos del máximo de \$3.50 al mes por el servicio ELC residencial o menos del máximo de \$7 por el servicio ELC comercial, tendrán que pagar 26 centavos adicionales a su pago mensual.

El servicio de Llamadas Locales Ampliadas (ELC) fue establecido en 1993 por la legislación del estado de Texas y requiere que las compañías prestadoras de servicios telefónicos ofrezcan llamadas de larga distancia gratuitas entre pequeñas poblaciones que comparten un interés común tales como distritos escolares y de hospitales. Esta ley permite que las compañías telefónicas recuperen los costos no pagados mediante cargos a clientes, a través de un cargo a todos los demás clientes en el estado que no reciben el servicio ELC o que no pagan la tarifa máxima del servicio ELC. La tarifa máxima mensual permitida por la ley estatal es \$3.50 por línea para clientes con servicio residencial y \$7 por línea para clientes con servicio comercial.

Southwestern Bell calcula que los 26 centavos al mes por línea cubrirán los \$27 millones del costo anual del servicio ELC que no está cubierto por las tarifas de ELC.

Si la PUC autoriza el cargo mensual estado de 26 centavos al mes por línea éste comenzará a partir de los ciclos de facturación de abril 1998, con el acuerdo de reembolsar todo o parte del cargo si la PUC no lo autoriza.

Para preguntas relacionadas con este cargo, por favor llame a la Oficina Local de Southwestern Bell listada en su directorio telefónico.

La PUC asignó el número de registro de 18513 a este procedimiento. El plazo de intervención sobre este asunto terminará el 31 de marzo de 1998. Las personas que deseen intervenir o hacer comentarios sobre este procedimiento deberán notificar a la PUC antes del 31 de marzo de 1998. Todas las solicitudes de intervención deberán enviarse por correo a Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX 78711-3326. Para mayor información sobre la intervención, por favor comuníquese con la PUC al 1-888-782-8477 o al 512-936-7120.

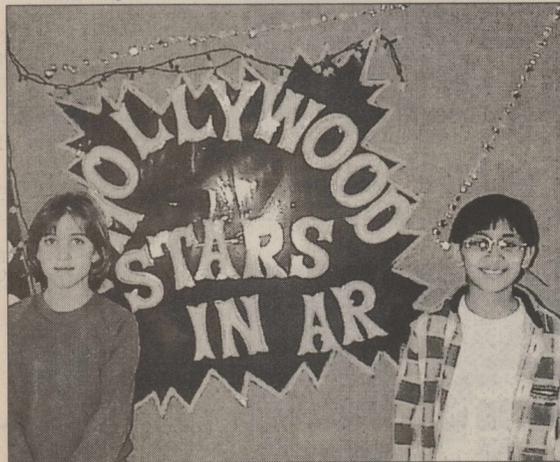
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Ozona Intermediate Star Fish Club members



EIGHT STUDENTS HAVE REACHED THE STAR FISH CLUB at Ozona Intermediate School. A total of 175 points in the Accelerated Reading Programs are needed to go the beach, enjoy a coke and read a book while listening to the Beach Boys. Pictured are: (l. to r.) Victoria Miller, Alexandra Bean, Brian Anderson, Matthew Bullard, Erica Shalek, Levi English, Makinsey Morris and Jared Bird. DigiCam Photo by Susan Calloway

Hollywood Stars Club at OIS



TYLER CUNNINGHAM AND PAARTH RAJ (r.) are the two newest members of the Hollywood Stars Club. It takes 125 points in the Accelerated Reading Program to get their hand and feet prints with their color photograph in the Hall of Fame at the Ozona Star Street theater at Ozona Intermediate School. A total of 18 are now members of this Club. DigiCam Photo by Susan Calloway

Bailey earns reserve champion in San Antonio

Sunny Jon Bailey earned the reserve championship in wool judging in the senior division recently at the San Antonio Livestock Show. She was also fourth high individual in horse judging out of a field of 900 competitors.

The Lakeview High School senior is the daughter of Paula Sweeten of San Angelo and Jim Bob Bailey of Ozona.

Senior dance meeting rescheduled Feb. 19

The Seniors '98 dance meeting has been rescheduled for Thursday, Feb. 19, at 7 p.m. in the Catholic Parish Hall meeting room. All seniors and parents interested in and wanting to participate in a Senior '98 dance are asked to attend the meeting.

Everyone's input is needed say the members of the Seniors '98 Catholic Committee.

Top point earners of the week at Ozona Intermediate

Thirteen youngsters reached the award of top point learners at Ozona Intermediate School for the week of Feb. 2-6.

Achieving high points in the Accelerated Reading Program in third grade was Levi English with 17.2 points in Terri Faught's class. Matthew Bullard racked up 15 points in Jodie Childress' class. Melissa Morris of Vicky Stokes' class earned 8.5 points. Lauren Pool attained 6.7 points in Gwen Jamerson's class.

Fourth grade high point earners

and their are as follows: Kyle Webb racked up 15.5 points in Priscilla Cook's class, Jack Rodriguez attained 8.9 points in Mike Gully's class, Justin Weant earned 7.2 points in Cookie Worthington's class. David Borrego earned 7.1 points in Frankie Gartman's class and Michael Maldonado, a student of Leticia Macias, earned 4.8 points.

Fifth grade high point earners and their teachers are as follows: Makinsey Morris with 12 points, Donna Wiley; April Vargas with 11.2 points, Nikki Sewell; Paarth

Raj with 9.0 points, Heatherly Childress and Bianca Aiguier with 4.5 points, Charlotte Laughlin.

The Reading Renaissance program was developed to improve the student's reading ability by improving their reading practices and motivating students to read more and better books. The Accelerated Reading Program focuses on each child being successful. Improvement of test scores, a desire to continue reading and improvement in these scores are some of the benefits of the program.



THE TOP POINT EARNERS at Ozona Intermediate School for the week of Feb. 2-6 in the Accelerated Reading Program are: (front row, l. to r.) Levi English, Matthew Bullard, Melissa Morris, Lauren Pool, Kyle Webb and Jack Rodriguez. Back row: (l. to r.) Justin Weant, Makinsey Morris, April Vargas, Paarth Raj, Bianca Aiguier and David Borrego. Not pictured is Michael Maldonado. DigiCam Photo by Susan Calloway

Taylor named to Who's Who

Larry J. Taylor, superintendent of Crockett County Consolidated Common School District, has been selected as an honored member in the 1998-99 edition of Kaléo Publications' *Who's Who Among Top Executives*.

Kaléo Publications recognizes Larry J. Taylor as one of the year's top executives throughout the world.

To be chosen for inclusion, candidates must have held a position of responsibility or have attained a significant achievement in their field.

Kaléo Publications' *Who's Who Among Top Executives* 1998-99, is a guide to thousands of today's most influential people and executives throughout the world.

"We congratulate Larry J. Taylor on his achievements," says Lazaros Kalemis, publisher of Kaléo Publications' *Who's Who Among Top Executives*. "Our selection committee uses a strict criteria to choose the most distinguished professionals for inclusion in each edition."

"It is the intention of Kaléo Publications' *Who's Who Among Top Executives* to provide our honorees with an invaluable resource from which they can expand their base of business and make new contacts. To nominate achievers for Kaléo Publications' *Who's Who Among Top Executives*, you may provide nominations via the Internet at <http://www.kaleo.com>, or direct your colleague to fill out the form at that location or call 1-800-945-2536 to request a nomination form."

One For The Money, Two For The Show, Three To Get Ready And Here They All Go.



The countdown starts now because as of March 2, 1998, these four will be no more: Two For The Money, Bowling For Bucks, Happy Valentines and Happy Mother's Day. And while this foursome is on its way out, you can still claim prizes through August 29, 1998. Win up to \$50,000 playing Two For The Money, up to \$8,000 playing Bowling For Bucks and up to \$1,000 playing Happy Valentines or Happy Mother's Day. You can claim prizes of up to \$599 at any Texas Lottery retailer. Prizes of \$600 or more are redeemable at one of the 24 regional Texas Lottery claim centers or by mail. Questions? Just call the Texas Lottery Customer Service Line at 1-800-37-LOTTO (1-800-375-6886).



Overall odds of winning Two For The Money, 1 in 4.61. Overall odds of winning Bowling For Bucks, 1 in 4.92. Overall odds of winning Happy Valentines, 1 in 4.97. Overall odds of winning Happy Mother's Day, 1 in 4.44. Must be 18 years or older to play. ©1998 Texas Lottery

Vote Fred Deaton for Crockett County Judge

Fred Deaton started his career with Ozona Butane where he quickly learned that the poor people are as important as the wealthy people. He genuinely likes people and likes helping people.

A past Eagle Scout, Fred has served on the following boards:

Hospital Board	1985 - 1986	President in 1986
Library Board	1987 - 1988	
Chamber of Commerce	1987	Director
Hospital Board	1989 - 1990	Vice President in 1990
Texas LP Gas Dealer's Association	1990	Director
County Commissioner	1991 - present	
Concho Valley Regional Review Board	1994	Governor's appointment

The boards necessitated new learning, mainly about organizational budgeting and dealing with taxes. He worked at resolving the differences between his business background and government inefficiencies. He learned the process of how things work and how they get done. This interest led to a successful run for County Commissioner, precinct 2. His 7 years service as a county commissioner has been quite a learning experience in working out problems. The main lesson learned is that one person can make a difference.

Governments are set up to fulfill common needs. Previously in Crockett County, the county government was run on a basic no-frills level. Fred has never voted for pursuing deluxe frills based on petrochemical taxes. Basic government should not be punishing to the people. Deluxe frills punish the poor, and that punishment works its way up the chain. Overdoing, hurriedly building, and running a wide open big infrastructure can be all right with the income; but when the income decreases, these expansions do not stop. The sudden need to save money causes cost cutting and large layoffs inside the county government. In 1986, the staff of the road department was cut in half, who knows what will happen next time.

What exists is there and cannot be undone. Existing infrastructure, existing facilities and services must be maintained.

Fred Deaton proposes to be a "maintenance" judge promising thoughtful management for Crockett County.

The future of the county can be assured with the right leadership.

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Deaton for Crockett County Judge Campaign Fund
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THE 1997-98 OZONA LADY LIONS JUNIOR VARSITY "A" BASKETBALL TEAM MEMBERS ARE: (l. to r.) Coach Dickie Faught, Gina Castro, Penny Weddle, Melissa Quintero, Chris Carter, Kayla Shurley, Millie Wadsworth, Melissa Herrin, Kristie Avila, Michele Gann, Codi Richardson and Coach Debra Ramon. Photo by Cameras Two



THE 1997-98 OZONA LADY LIONS JUNIOR VARSITY "B" BASKETBALL TEAM MEMBERS ARE: (top, l. to r.) Tammy Alvarez, Kelly McNeely, Jade Flores and Claressa Tambunga. Second row: (l. to r.) Marie Pierce, Summer Browne, Kristin Bullard, Elizabeth Springer, Kristina Sanchez and Laramie McWilliams. Standing: Coach Dale Mayfield and Coach Dickie Faught. Photo by Cameras Two

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February 18, 1998



DUSTIN FAUGHT brings panic to the eyes of these Bulldogs as he fires off another basket in the Lions 62-61 thrilling victory over Coahoma last Friday in Davidson Gym. Steven Martinez (#44) and Justin Browne (#12) jockey for position to retrieve a rebound.
Photo by David Screws

Lions back in the hunt

By David Screws
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

Freshman Dustin Faught had ice water coursing through his veins in the final minute of the Ozona Lion's heart-stopping 62-61 victory over the Coahoma Bulldogs last Friday in Davidson Gym. With the Lions down 61-57 Faught stepped up to the three-point range, found himself left unattended and launched a nothing-but-net bucket to pull the Lions to within one point. A Lions foul put Coahoma at the line shooting two. They missed both and Bobby Cervantez came down with the rebound and the Lions took it up the floor with 20 ticks remaining in the game. After working the ball around and taking most of the time off the clock Brian Badillo found Faught all alone near the back line and passed it off. Faught took one step in and launched the game-winning shot, another swoosh of the net as the clock apparently ran out. Faught finished the game with 11 points.

However, Coahoma was granted 1.33 seconds to try to score, but they didn't come close. The Lions move to 18-13 for the year and 6-4 in district, only one game away from being tied with Eldorado and Coahoma for first in the district.

Badillo had a game high 15 points for the night, all in the tension-filled second half. He hit a three midway through the third period to tie the score and another three in the closing minutes of the game to bring the Lions to within 3 points of the Bulldogs. "The Beef", Steven Martinez, had ten points of the evening but his biggest contribution was probably under the net where he dominated the rebounding. Justin Browne had a huge three-pointer at the end of the opening stanza, giving the Lions a big 9 point

lead.

Score by quarters:
Ozona 18 4 18 22-62
Coahoma 9 17 14 21-61
Scoring: Steven Martinez (10), Ross Crawford (6), Justin Browne (7), Bobby Cervantez (7), Dustin Faught (11), Armando Flores (6), Brian Badillo (15).
3-point goals: Browne (1), Faught (1), Badillo (3).

Cubs squads close out fine season

By David Screws
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

Monday of last week the Ozona Middle School Cubs basketball teams hosted the Wall Hawks in the final night of the season.

The evening opened with the 7th 'B' squad beating their opponents by 8-3 behind 4 points from Raymond Trujillo. Willie Stokes and Luis Mata had 2 each to round out the score. That squad finished the year with a 7-2 record.

A great year for the 7th grade regulars was capped off with a resounding 59-23 pounding of the Hawks. Jarrett Vickers had 12 and G. L. Bunger added 10 to lead the Cubs to victory. Every single man in uniform scored before the night ended. The 7th 'A' ended the year with a fantastic 16-1 record. Their only loss was the second game of the year to Big Lake, a loss which they avenged in the Ozona tournament. Congratulations to all the 7th Cubs and look for much from them in the future.

The 8th Cubs closed out the year with some problems. Injuries, illnesses and ineligibilities hampered their efforts after getting off to a good start. They lost to Wall, 42-31, last Monday to finish the year at 7-11. Most of the losses came late in the season. Martin Sanchez had a game high of 8 points against Wall.

7th 'B' vs. Wall
Ozona 8
Wall 3
Participants: Brandon Marmolejo, Raymond Trujillo (4), Luis Mata (2), Willie Stokes (2), Andrew Shaffer.

7th Cubs vs. Wall
Ozona 15 17 12 15-59
Wall 5 8 8 2-23
Scoring: Jarrett Vickers (12), G. L. Bunger (10), Derek Faught (8), Chase Clark (9), Mark Gandar (7), Ricky Perez (4), Lalo Garza (2), Quay Oglesby (4), Robert Ogle (2), Koby Fenton (1).

3-point goals: Bunger (1), Faught (1), Clark (2), Gandar (1).

8th Cubs vs. Wall
Ozona 5 7 8 11-31
Wall 11 14 9 8-42
Scoring: Eliberto Onate (6), Martin Sanchez (8), R. J. Fierro (5), Chris Kennedy (2), Kyle Richardson (3), Luis Cruz (2), Abel Rodriguez (5).

Lady Lions polish off Coahoma

By David Screws
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

Having the district title already in the bag last Friday the Ozona Lady Lions had only to show up and play the game, but that's not how the Lady Lions play any game. For the seniors it meant four straight district champi-

onships out of a possible 4. The 61-48 victory also means the seniors never lost a district contest in 44 total district games. The second season now begins.

Amber Tarr, with 22 points, led a powerful offensive night for the Lady Lions as 3 of her teammates also hit in double figures in an extremely

physical basketball game. In the second period with the score remaining fairly tight Tarr hammered home a three-pointer to punch the lead to 25-14. Thirty seconds later she ace another, stretching the lead to 28-16.

Leslie Avila, who finished the night with 13 points, had a big layup early in the game to put Ozona on top by 2, then she went to the line late in the game to connect on 4 crucial free throws, including a pair after an intentional foul in which she was nearly knocked into the Ozona bench. In the final quarter Avila sank a three along with one by Amber McWilliams to help the Lady Lions to a solid finish. Amber McWilliams had 10 points on the evening, including another three-pointer to break an 8 point Lady Bulldog's run in the second period. Diana Ellison hit in double figures with 10 of their own, including back-to-back shots early in the second period.

Coahoma threatened to take the lead in the third stanza, actually knot-

ting the score at 35 apiece but the Lady Lions responded to regain the advantage. Juli Hall got a piece of the action when she nailed a three-pointer at the 3:30 mark of the third to see the Lady Lions on their way to the big win.

The Lady Lions record now stands at 32-1 on the year and they finish district action with a perfect 12-

0 slate.

Score by quarters:
Ozona 14 19 13 15-61
Coahoma 10 16 13 9-48
Scoring: Amber Tarr (22), Leslie Avila (13), Amber McWilliams (10), Angela Branch (3), Diana Ellison (10), Juli Hall (3).
3-point goals: Tarr (2), Avila (1), Amber McWilliams (2), Hall (1).

JV Lions bow to Bulldogs

By David Screws
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

Last Friday in Ozona the Junior Varsity played three strong quarters with the Coahoma Bulldogs but could not maintain enough pressure on the Bulldogs in the final period as Coahoma pulled away for a 59-49 victory. With the loss the Junior Varsity team falls to 18-10 on the year and 7-3 in district play.

goal to give the Lions a 39-38 lead, but the Bulldogs staged a rally early in the final period to pull ahead once again. A Sullivan three-pointer late in the game pulled the Lions to within 4 points, the closest they would get for the rest of the contest.

Juan Garcia had 8 points for the game and Sullivan finished with a total of 7, all of them in the second half.

Score by quarters:

Ozona 13 16 10 10-49
Coahoma 18 18 3 20-59
Scoring: Brad Sullivan (7), Seth Webster (5), Ken Sessom (2), Juan Garcia (8), Cole Wadsworth (2), Jomie Tebbetts (15), Matt Castaneda (2), Robert Madris (4), Ryan Bean (4).
3-point goals: Sullivan (1), Webster (1), Tebbetts (1).

JV Ladies' nudge Wall

By David Screws
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

Last week in Wall the Junior Varsity Lady Lions shot poorly from the field for two quarters, fell behind the Lady Hawks of Wall by 9 points after three periods, then became deadly at the charity stripe to forge ahead for a 35-33 win.

Kristie Avila led the scoring for Ozona with 13 points, including 6 from the line in the 4th period. For the game she was 7 of 10 at the line. Codi Richardson was 4 of 7 from the free shot distance and hit 3 of those in the final period as the team hit 16 total free throws in that quarter.

The Junior Varsity squad evened their season totals at 14-14 while going to 5-5 in district games.

Score by quarters:
Ozona 9 3 3 20-35
Wall 4 6 14 9-33
Scoring: Codi Richardson (8), Melissa Quintero (2), Michelle Gann (5), Kristie Avila (13), Melissa Herrin (3), Chris Carter (4).

Lady Lions clinch fourth consecutive district title

By David Screws
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

With no less than a tie for the district championship already sacked up the Lady Lions took on the Wall Lady Hawks in Wall last week and came away with the win that gives them undisputed claim on the fourth consecutive district title. The Lady Lions now must wait for a three team play-off for second place in District 7-2A to find out who their bi-district opponent will be.

Amber Tarr and Amber McWilliams led the Lady Lions in a

solid game from gun-to-gun. Tarr had 12 points and hauled in 8 rebounds for the game. McWilliams had 10 points, six of those from 3-point range. Diana Ellison had 9 points and she and Juli Hall pulled in 3 rebounds each.

The victory moves the Lady Lions season record to 31-1 and their district record to 11-0.

Score by quarters:
Ozona 12 10 12 5-39
Wall 6 7 5 4-22
Scoring: Amber Tarr (12), Amber McWilliams (10), Diana Ellison (9), Angela Branch (6), Leslie Avila (2).
3-point goals: Amber McWilliams (2).

Basketball Scoreboard

Feb. 9, 1998

Lion Freshmen vs. Winters

Score by quarters:	Record 10-12			
Ozona	16	16	16	9-57
Winters	7	7	7	11-32
Scoring:	ET	FG(2)	(3)	Total
Ray Ramos			1	3
Ray Galindo		2		4
Robert Madris	1	9		19
Dustin Miller	2	4		10
Chad Flanagan	1	4		9
Leon Garcia		2		4
Wae Maness	3	1		5
Roman Castaneda	1	1		3

**Go
Lions**

Information compiled by David Screws,
Stockman Sportswriter



ROBERT MADRIS (center) shoots the ball in the JV Lions 59-49 loss to the Coahoma Bulldogs last Friday in Davidson Gym. Matt Castaneda (#32) and Ryan Bean (right) wait to see if he sinks it.
Photo by David Screws

Erik's House students hold food drive to benefit Helping Hands

Helping hands received a special Valentine, Feb. 13 from students of Erik's House Preschool. The preschoolers collected non-perishable goods to present as a Valentine's gift.

Erik's House Preschool holds a can good drive for Helping Hands annually. The drive is normally held in November in conjunction with a caring and sharing unit. During this time, the children learn the purpose of Helping Hands and how it provides an important service to our community. The children learn they are never too young to help others and the importance and value of community service. This year, November past by without our food drive. The preschoolers became very concerned that they had not fulfilled their civic responsibility. Comments on how helping hands needed their help were relentlessly expressed. The children decided, on their own, that Valentine's Day was a perfect time to demonstrate their care, concern and love. The project required parental cooperation, serving to

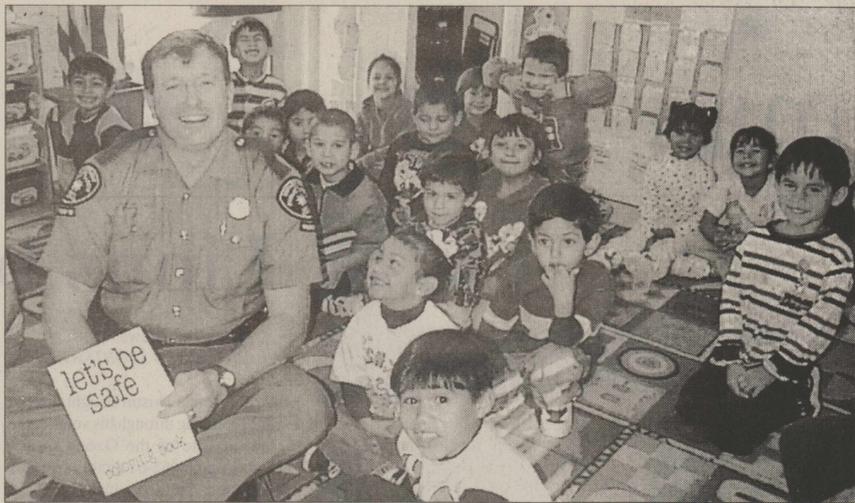
remind and introduce parents to civic responsibility. The children understood Helping Hands needed their help, that they could help, and took the necessary action to initiate that help. The children's actions caused the adults involved to take pause and remember the value of giving and helping others. This was truly a project given from the heart.

The children set a goal of 150 cans. The goal was met and surpassed. Over 250 can goods were donated. The children collected the goods from family, friends and neighbors.

Education lessons were also implemented with the cans. They served as a tangible source for counting, sorting, matching and searching for letters and numbers. Class members participating were Lane Hale, Brandyn McDaniel, Anthony Delgado Ryan Johnson, Adrienne Sanchez, Rebecca Pierce, Nathan Weant, Jadynd Poindexter, Jessica Griffith, Chase Phillips, Rose Karnes, Trey Fierro and after school preschooler Cuatro Jones.



ERIK'S HOUSE PRESCHOOL are pictured happily delivering the canned goods they collected for Helping Hands as a civic project to volunteer Virginia Bishop. Class members that participated were Lane Hale, Brandyn McDaniel, Anthony Delgado, Ryan Johnson, Adrienne Sanchez, Rebecca Pierce, Nathan Weant, Jadynd Poindexter, Jessica Griffith, Chase Phillips, Rose Karnes, Trey Fierro and after school preschooler Cuatro Jones. DigiCam Photo by Susan Calloway



DPS TROOPER RICHARD TREECE gave an informative discussion and showed a video on bike safety to the excited students at Ozona Head Start last Wednesday. DigiCam Photo by Susan Calloway

*Trustees . . . (Continued from front page) . . .

prepared for parents. Principals Donnie Wiley of Ozona High School and Charles Floyd of Ozona Middle School spoke briefly about results of drug use surveys which had been completed by students on their campuses.

Wiley, who is in his first year in Ozona, said he was upset by the results which indicate a high rate of use in the high school. During a weekly mentoring period with students, he said youths agreed that survey results were about right. "That's what goes on in our school."

At the middle school level, Mr. Floyd said he was surprised at the survey information on use of hard drugs on his campus. A roundtable discussion with a cross section of OMS students also revealed that the youths believe the survey results are accurate.

Present during the open forum portion of the meeting to express their concern about mandatory drug testing were Penn and Lara Sue Baggett. Mrs. Baggett read a list questioning the goal of the testing program, cost, testing procedures, other options, what input was sought to determine need for this type of program rather than other means of drug prevention and whether or not random drug testing is the best policy for the students and community.

Mr. Baggett read a statement which addressed the constitutionality of the policy and its effectiveness and the protection of fundamental freedoms.

Since this meeting, a random search by drug dogs revealed drugs in two cars parked on school property. The dogs check only cars and lockers, not individual children as part of a contracted service to the school.

Also speaking during the open forum was Laurie Hale who objected to the sale through the athletic department of a dietary supplement. "Kids don't need to be taking this and the school system doesn't need to be selling it," she said. Sale of the product creatine has been discontinued. She also asked that parent/teacher conferences be documented.

A number of people attended the open forum for the presentation of an athletics related petition to the trustees. Orlando De Hoyos asked that the board consider postponing any action

regarding athletics until their next meeting and suggested a town meeting for a discussion. Also speaking in relation to the petition were Jimmy Ortiz, and Raymond Cedillo who presented a written statement to the board as well. A letter in support of Walter Hargrove, athletic director, and his staff was read by Vicky Stokes.

Following an executive session to approve personnel contracts, trustees voted to accept the recommendation of Supt. Taylor to not extend the

two year contract of Walter Hargrove, athletic director and head football coach, by one year. He has one year left on his present contract.

The board approved one year extensions on the two year contracts of Ted Cotton, Charles Floyd, Manley Holmes, David McWilliams, Dickie Faught and Kelly Glaze.

Two year contracts were approved for Donnie Wiley, Marilyn Luce and Rod Miller.

Free throw winners head to regional

Ozona will send seven contestants to Wall Feb. 22 to compete in the regional Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest. The shooters earned their places in the regional contest Feb. 14 by placing first at district competition in Sonora.

Representing Ozona in the 10-year-old divisions are Derek Wiley who made 16 shots and Jenna Henderson with 15 shots.

Ozona also placed first in both the 11-year-old divisions. J. D. Borrego and Britney Ramos each shot 20 to advance.

Lalo Garza placed first in the 12-year-old division with 21 baskets. Ruth Cervantez was second in the girls' division with 16.

Carlos Salazar and Erin Castro each tied for first and won on a shoot-out in the 13-year-old category. Erin hit 17, and Carlos made 15 baskets.

In the 14-year-old division, Ozona's Chris Kennedy hit 14 for second and Jessica Herring shot 12 for second. They tied for first, but lost in the shoot-out.

Sunday's competition in Wall will be at 3 p.m. says Rudy Martinez, coach for Ozona.

Be kind. Remember, everyone you meet is fighting a hard battle.

Shooting sports sign-up Feb. 23

There will be a sign-up meeting for 4-H shooting sports on Monday, Feb. 23, at 6 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Extension Office Conference Room, located at 1301 Ave. AA. Parents are asked to attend this meeting.

Plans for this year's project will be made and a shooting schedule will be developed. Please bring your calendar of UIL, sports and other event dates with you to the meeting. Attempts will be made to plan the shooting schedule around them so everyone will have an opportunity to shoot.

If you have any questions or you wish to participate but can't attend this meeting, please call the Extension Office at 392-2721. Remember, this is a sign-up meeting only.

If you are not currently a member of 4-H but would like to participate in shooting sports, you may come by the Extension Office and sign up. Everyone between the ages of 9 (or enrolled in the third grade) and 19 is eligible to participate in 4-H. Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.



Drawings made by Egyptians thousands of years ago show people playing a game similar to handball.



TIGER CUB PACK #153 earned a paw patch in communications last Thursday during their bimonthly meeting. One of the activities involved was to see how a newspaper is made. Pictured in The Ozona Stockman pressroom are: (l. to r.) Jimmy Munoz, Caleb Bannert, Bill Ten Eyck, Seth Riddle, Jake Ten Eyck, Nathan Knox, Mason Ellis, Wilson White, Chris Lara and Danny Anderson. Pack members not present are: Devon Diehl, Travis Zuberbueler, Preston Tebbetts, Ben Flores and Matthew Komechak. DigiCam Photo by Scotty Moore

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OZONA MIDDLE SCHOOL SIXTH GRADERS placed fourth in the U.I.L. Invitational Meet held in Ozona on February 7. Winners are: (front row, l. to r.) Bobbi Bangeman, Corin Garcia and Cora Seymore. Middle row: Ryan Wiley, Dennis Taylor and Aaron Garza. Back row: Dusty McLaud, Rose Garza and Jakob Parks.

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Ozona Middle School 7th and 8th graders win U.I.L. practice meet

Ozona Middle School seventh and eighth graders gathered enough overall points to place first place in each class to win the Ozona Middle School U.I.L. Invitational Practice Meet held recently. The sixth grade posted a fourth place.

Schools participating in the meet were Ozona, Comstock, Grape Creek, Junction, Nueces Canyon and Rankin.

The eighth grade captured first place in the event for their grade level with a total of 187 points.

Ozona eighth graders participating and placing in the top six were:

Calculator - Erin Castro-2nd, Shanna Smith-5th and Kyle Richardson-6th

Number Sense - Luis Cruz-6th

Earth Science - Kyle Richardson-1st, Matt Young-2nd and Shane Albers-4th.

Maps, Graphs and Charts - Bekah Shaw-2nd

Spelling - Erin Castro-3rd

Ready Writing - Amanda Carson-2nd and Amy Ivy-6th

Impromptu Speaking - Amanda Carson-1st and Stella Howard-3rd

Oral Reading - Amanda Carson-3rd, Kimberly Bean-4th and Amy Ivy-5th

Modern Oratory - Marsha Maskill-1st, Bekah Shaw-2nd and Kendra Webb-3rd

Ozona Middle School seventh graders also topped the other schools in total points to bring in the gold with 213 overall points for 1st place.

Ozona seventh grade students participating and placing in the top six slots were:

Calculator - Chase Clark-6th

Number Sense - Ramon Trujillo-1st, Myda Fay-4th and Jarrett Vickers-6th

Life Science - Koby Fenton-3rd

Maps, Graphs and Charts - Jarrett Vickers-4th and Lalo Garza-5th

Listening Skills - Koby Fenton-1st, Erik Bachman-3rd and Michelle Necessary-4th

Dictionary Skills - Laken Villarreal-2nd

Spelling - Erika Fierro-1st

Impromptu Speaking - Lana Sanchez-1st, Myda Fay-2nd and

Jarrett Vickers-3rd

Oral Reading - Colbey Crawford-2nd, Laken Villarreal-3rd and Michelle Necessary-4th

Modern Oratory - Jarrett Vickers-1st, Myda Fay-2nd and Dianna Perez-5th

Ozona Middle School sixth graders had a good showing in the meet with two first place medals, two second place wins, two third places, three fourth places, one fifth place and two sixth place medals to capture the fourth place overall slot of the meet.

Ozona sixth grade students participating and placing in the top six in each of the categories were:

Calculator - Ryan Wiley-3rd

Mathematics - Bobbie Bangeman-4th and Corin Garcia-6th

Life Science - Dennis Taylor-1st, Dusty McLaud-2nd and Aaron Garza-6th

Maps, Graphs and Charts - Jakob Parks-4th

Listening Skills - Jakob Parks-3rd

Ready Writing - Corin Garcia-1st

Oral Reading - Ryan Wiley-2nd, Rose Garza-4th and Cora Seymour-5th



OZONA MIDDLE SCHOOL EIGHTH GRADERS won their division in the U.I.L. Invitational Meet held in Ozona on February 7. Winners are: (front row, l. to r.) Matt Young, Kendra Webb, Erin Castro and Astella Howard Middle row: Shanna Smith, Amy Ivey, Kimberly Bean and Marsha Maskill. Back row: Kyle Richardson, Shane Albers, Amanda Carson, Luis Cruz and Rebecca Shaw.

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Lions courting elimination

By David Screws
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

With a playoff spot hanging in the balance the Ozona Lions once again shot themselves in the foot, dropping a close contest to the Wall Hawks last week by 56-52.

Justin Browne had a big night in the losing effort with 25 points. He hit 18 of those in the second half, but it wasn't enough to keep up with the Hawks. Browne was 4 of 6 from the line and knocked down 3 buckets from the three-point range.

The Wall Hawks had a huge fourth quarter to secure the win but 10 of their 22 points came from the free shot line as Ozona saw Steven Martinez and Bobby Cervantez take

the bench early with too many fouls. The Hawks were tagged for 14 fouls while the Lions had to endure 24 calls against them.

The loss drops the Lions to 17-13 for the year but the most critical set of numbers is a 5-4 district slate. With their backs to the wall they must now run the gauntlet of Coahoma and Eldorado and hope for lots of other things to occur to even think of the playoffs.

Score by quarters:
Ozona 14 10 15 13-52
Wall 11 17 6 22-56

Scoring: Justin Browne (25), Ross Crawford (8), Dustin Faught (2), Ben Forehand (1), Bobby Cervantez (6), Steven Martinez (10).

3-point goals: Browne (3).

JV Ladies lose season finale

By David Screws
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

With buckets from Codi Richardson and Chris Carter the Junior Varsity Lady Lions took a quick 4 point lead over the Coahoma Lady Bulldogs last Friday in Ozona. Coahoma caught up, but the Lady Lions moved ahead again by 8-4 and things were looking better for Ozona than in their last meeting with Coahoma.

However, in the second period the game came apart as the Lady Lions shot more than enough times to stay in the contest, but the ball just wouldn't go through the hoop. Coahoma ran off 8 unanswered points

to take a 10 point lead. Kristie Avila led a tremendous fourth quarter effort to come from behind with 11 points in the period and 13 for the night. Teammate Michelle Gann also scored 13 points but the Lady Lions fell short, losing by 45-40.

The game finalized the season for the Junior Varsity squad, finishing with an overall record of 14-15 and a district slate of 5-6.

Score by quarters:
Ozona 8 7 8 17-40
Coahoma 10 15 10 10-45

Scoring: Codi Richardson (2), Melissa Quintero (6), Michelle Gann (13), Kristie Avila (13), Millie Wadsworth (2), Chris Carter (4).

3-point goals: Gann (3), Avila (3).



OZONA MIDDLE SCHOOL SEVENTH GRADERS placed first in the U.I.L. Invitational Meet held in Ozona on February 7. Winners are: (front row, l. to r.) Raymond Trujillo, Everardo Garza, Koby Fenton, Jarrett Vickers and Chase Clark. Top row: Diana Perez, Myda Fay, Colbey Crawford, Lana Sanchez, Erika, Fierro, Laken Villarreal and Michelle Necessary.

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*Childress posthumously recognized . . . (Continued from front page)

grade team has been recognized across the community, the region and the state for their outstanding work. She has served on numerous leadership teams that have traveled across the region to assist other schools in improving their curriculum and school effectiveness. As a part of the sixth grade team, she has been a presenter at the Region XV Middle School Academy for the past three years, and she has been a presenter at the Texas Middle School Convention for the past three years. She currently is the middle school representative for the Social Studies Center for Educational Development. This is a statewide committee promoting curriculum development in social studies.

Mrs. Crawford currently serves as the University Interscholastic League academic director for Ozona Middle School and directs the speaking events for the Ozona High School Invitational UIL Meet.

She is a member of Ozona United Methodist Church where she has previously taught Sunday School.

Jill and Randy Crawford are the parents of two children, Colbey and Ross.

Other Teacher of the Year nominees were: Kelly Glaze, Ozona High School; David Porter, Ozona Intermediate School; and Carolyn Taylor, Ozona Primary School.

Organization of the Year was awarded to Crockett County Heritage Sculpture Committee with Marolyn Bean accepting. This group is responsible for the pioneer heritage sculpture in the center of the town square, a project of Ozona Woman's Forum.

Jack Baggett Sr. was recognized as Unsung Hero of the year. Baggett was honored as a constant supporter and contributor to church, community, business, family and especially the Ozona Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Baggett was a member of the Army Air Force in World War II from Oct. 15, 1942 until Dec. 5, 1945. Upon discharge he entered the ranching business in Reagan County and later moved his livestock to Pecos County.

In Fort Stockton he organized and managed the First Saving and Loan Association. He moved to Austin in 1959 to organize and manage the Lamar Saving Association. He also organized the Big Spring Saving Association in 1961.

Jack and Billie Jean Baggett and their children moved to Ozona in 1960 where he entered the insurance business with his father. He also continued ranching.

Jack Baggett Sr. has served the community as president of Ozona Lions Club, Crockett County Hospital Board and an officer of Ozona Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of Ozona United Methodist Church where he has served in many capacities.

The Baggetts are the parents of four children, Betty, Joanie, Jack Jr. and Rebekah, who is deceased.

Also nominated as Unsung Hero were: Becky Childress, Dr. Gary Vannoy, Rev. Jim Carter, Bobbie Bryson, Audrey Glynn and Belinda

Wilkins.

The Ozona Chamber of Commerce Member of the Year award went to Comfort Inn owned by J. R. and Naina Bhakta.

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J. R. Bhakta has been a member of Ozona Chamber of Commerce since 1981 when he bought the Silver Spur Motel. He has served three terms as chamber director.

The Bhaktas are parents of two children, Parth and Puja.

Outstanding Young Citizen awards were given to two Ozona High School Seniors Amber Tarr and John Esparza.

Amber is currently ranked first in her class. She is president of the National Honor Society and has been a member of the Student Council for two years. She has been a class officer for four years.

Amber has participated in basketball and tennis for four years and recently signed to play basketball for the Texas Tech Lady Red Raiders. As basketball captain for four years and an athlete, she is a role model for many future Lady Lions. She is also a role model for children in the D.A.R.E. program and has worked as a volunteer coach for Little Dribblers.

Amber is the daughter of John and Pam Tarr and a member of Ozona United Methodist Church.

John Esparza is a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church where he has been an altar server and usher during mass. He currently serves as Chief Deputy Squire and plans to become a member of the Knights of Columbus upon reaching 18. He volunteers to help clean up after many church activities and is an active member in the youth C. C. D. classes there. As a care center volunteer, he reads to the residents there.

John is a member of the Student Council, and as such, helps deliver lunches for Meals on Wheels.

He is a 4-year honor student and a member of the National Honor Society. He was selected as a winner of the United States Leadership Merit Award this year.

John has participated in football

four years and in track and powerlifting three years. This year he was elected football captain, Mr. OHS and representative to the Student Council.

John is the son of Johnny and Tressa Esparza.

Other nominees for this honor were: Autumn McWilliams, Terren Marshall, Melissa Oviedo, Evangela Coy, Kristen Shurley, David Martinez and Cody Hunnicutt.

Handing each recipient a plaque was U. S. Congressman Henry Bonilla, guest speaker for the evening who was introduced by Judge Jeffrey Sutton.

Rep. Bonilla, who subscribes to an "off our back, off our land and out of our pockets" philosophy of government, told his audience he can't possibly be an expert on everything he is asked about but that "I can only help you when you need help".

Although a balanced budget, tax cuts and welfare reform have been accomplished there is much more to be done such as raking the IRS over the coals, according to the congressman.

In closing, he spoke about the current "very, very dangerous situation in Iraq" and the U. S. military which he says is greatly changed since 1991. "Chemical warfare is the next nightmare we face," he said.

"We need to try to leave this country in good hands for our kids," Bonilla concluded.

The congressman then presented a certificate of nomination to the Merchant Marine Academy to Justin Browne. The OHS senior was nominated by Rep. Bonilla.

Ozona Chamber of Commerce officers for 1998 are: Rob Whitesides, chairman; J. D. McCollum, vice-chairman; Jana Wilson, past chairman; Belinda Wilkins, treasurer; and Shelly Childress, executive director. Additional directors are: Victor Newton, Kay Stewart, Joe Tobar, Shannon Hunnicutt, Tola Valdez and Gene Morris. Outgoing directors are J. R. Bhakta, Carmen Sutton and Will Seahorn.

Entertainment during the reception was provided by the Ozona High School Concert Band under direction of Kelly Glaze and Norman Carroll.

Table decorations for the banquet were created by Ozona Garden Club with the theme Onward and Upward into the 21st Century.

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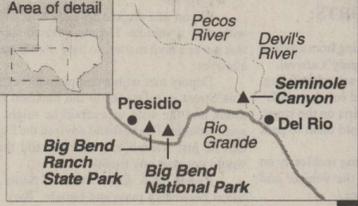
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Essentially there should be **minimal** changes in the Medicare/Medicaid **covered** and medically necessary Home Health Care services for patients on service with a **well established** and **well organized** Home Health Agency. However, Home Health Care Agencies will have to carefully scrutinize the type and amount of services offered to assure that all of the Medicare/Medicaid regulations are complied with, yet provide **medically reasonable and necessary quality** Home Health Care to members of our communities. In order to effect a 20-32% cut in **spending** by Home Health Care Agencies in Texas, Agencies will have to streamline their operations and possibly downsize, both organizationally and economically, just as other industries are doing in our workplaces.

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Generally speaking, Compassionate Care, Inc. will **continue** to **further** "tighten it's belt" just as all American citizens will have to do in the years to come if we expect to preserve the Medicare Program for the future. Compassionate Care, Inc. made significant operational changes needed in November, 1996 to reduce Medicare Home Health expenditures, as suggested by Medicare; in October, 1997 Compassionate Care, Inc. elected to take a 25% **EMPLOYEE** reduction in pay/benefits, in addition to more reorganization, so that our current patients' levels of care would **NOT** be affected.

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Crockett County Sheriff's Report

WEEK ENDING 2-16-98

ARRESTS:

2-11-98

Ortiz, Francisco Rodriguez, age 28, of Iraan was arrested by Crockett County Sheriff's Deputy on a charge of theft of property. Subject posted a personal recognizance bond and was released.

Aguero, Steve, age 31, of Iraan was arrested by Crockett County Sheriff's Deputy on a charge of theft of property. Subject posted a personal recognizance bond and was released.

Ramos, Ryan Lee, age 17, of Ozona was arrested by Crockett County Sheriff on a charge of possession of marijuana in school zone. Subject posted bond and was released.

Simmons, Caryl Anne, age 28, of Ozona was arrested by Crockett County Sheriff on a charge of serving execution of a document by deception. Subject posted bond and was released.

Posey, Lance Myron, age 34, of Ozona was arrested by Crockett County Sheriff on a charge of injury to a child. Subject posted a personal recognizance bond and was released.

Castaneda, Inosencio, age 36, of Brownwood, was arrested by Crockett County Sheriff's Deputy on a charge of driving while intoxicated. Subject posted bond and was released.

Sandoval, Bernabe Garcia, age 26, Marques, Jose Israel Martinez, age 18, Lerma, Jose M. Ramos, age 30, Cruz, Velizario Cruz, age 34, Cruz, Alonzo Cruz, age 21, Lerma, Alejandro Ramos, age 20, all from Mexico, were detained as illegal aliens by Crockett County Sheriff's Deputy. Subjects were picked up by Border Patrol.

Venegas, Jorge Luis, age 30, of Ozona, Hernandez, Andreas Bustillos, age 22, of Ozona, Hernandez, Igancio Bustillos, age 23, of Ozona and Ramos, Eugenio Reyes Jr., age 21, of Ozona were arrested by Crockett County Sheriff's Deputy on a charge of possession of stolen property. Subjects posted personal recognizance bonds and were released.

Castillo, Isreal De La Cruz, age 21, of Big Lake was arrested by Irion County Deputy on a Crockett County warrant on a charge of driving while license suspended failure to appear. Subject was picked up at the Irion County line by Crockett County Sheriff's Deputy and transferred to Crockett County Jail for booking. Subject posted bond and was released.

Flores, Gabriel James, age 26, of Ozona was arrested by Task Force Officer on a charge of possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver. Subject remains in Crockett County Jail at this time.

Flores, Felicitia Ramirez, age 46, of Ozona was arrested by Crockett County Sheriff's Deputy on a charge

of possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver. Subject remains in Crockett County Jail at this time.

Perez, Sandra Dee, age 20, of Ozona was arrested by Task Force Officer on a charge of possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver. Subject remains in Crockett County Jail at this time.

INCIDENT REPORTS:

2-12-98
Report of runaway juveniles, reference two young female subjects left in a vehicle and were reported as runaways. The juveniles were later located in Big Lake and were returned home.

Report of an overdose in reference to a local juvenile female subject who was taken to a San Angelo hospital because of an overdose on pills. Reason for the overdose is unknown at this time.

2-16-98
Report of possession of controlled substance (cocaine) in a Drug Free Zone was taken by Crockett County Deputy in reference to substance found in a vehicle at a local school. Substance will be sent to the lab for testing, and charges may be filed at a later date.

Report of possession of marijuana under two ounces in a Drug Free Zone was taken by Crockett County Sheriff's Deputy in reference to substance found in a vehicle at a local school. Substance was taken and tagged as evidence.

ACTIVITY REPORTS:

2-10-98
Report of loud music coming from a parked vehicle. Music was off on Deputy's arrival.

Report of an alarm at a school building. Deputy reported employee had set alarm off.

Report of kids on golf carts on the street. Deputy located the kids and told them to park the golf carts.

Report of a subject driving recklessly on 11th Street. Deputy located the vehicle and warned the driver to slow down.

2-11-98
Report of a possible stolen vehicle at a local motel. Deputy was unable to locate the vehicle on arrival.

Report of a possible wild dog at a local weed wash. Dog was gone on Deputy's arrival.

Report of a hit and run accident on Ave. K. Deputy located the subject involved.

Report of juveniles with drugs on Swaps Street. Deputy unable to respond due to a fight call in progress.

Report of a fight in progress at a local residence on Santa Ana. Deputy reported that it was a boy and girlfriend problem and that the girl involved had left the area and gone to her grandmother's house.

Deputy met with a complainant in reference to a young female who had threatened her daughter on Santa Ana Street. Call related to fight call received earlier. Deputy spoke with the subject involved.

Report of a disturbance at a local store on Ave. E. It was two young females arguing over a male subject. Deputy warned the females involved to stay away from each other.

Report of an alarm at a school building on Ave. E. Deputy reported a teacher had set the alarm off.

Report of a local subject in white Firebird driving without insurance and registration. Deputy was unable to locate the subject.

Deputy met with a complainant and took an offense report of threat and harassment.

2-12-98
911 response call on Ave. F. False report kids playing on telephone.

Report of a fight between girl and boyfriend at a local apartment building. Deputy reported that complainant did not wish to file charges.

Report of a female being chased by a male subject at a local store. On Deputy's arrival, witnesses advised that it was a friend just playing a joke on the female subject.

Deputy transported a subject from the health center to a local apartment building.

Report of two local juveniles who left town in a vehicle on Wednesday and had not returned at the time of this report. Deputy filed them as runaways.

Schleicher County requested assistance in locating an Alzheimer's patient who left their county headed west on Hwy. 190. Deputy was unable to locate the subject. The subject was later located at his residence.

Report that the two missing juveniles were located in Reagan County. The parents were unable to pick them up. Deputy went to Big Lake and transported juveniles back.

Deputy gave food welfare assistance to subjects from Ohio. Subjects left town headed south.

Report from a female complainant that another female had entered her residence on Santa Ana Street and slapped her. The complainant does not wish to file charges at this time, but wanted Deputy to talk to the other female and advise her to stay away from her.

Deputy took a report of a drug overdose of a local subject already in the hospital.

2-13-98
Report of suspicious persons in a van, walking around downtown area. Deputy located all subjects and identified them, gave them gas to continue east.

Report of a suspicious person at a local business. Deputy located and identified the subject who was trying to stay warm. He was allowed to move on.

Second report of same suspicious subject at another local store. Subject was advised to leave the area. The subject headed west on I-10.

Report of a possible fight at the town square. Deputies reported that it was a bunch of kids just playing around.

2-14-98
Report of a dispute between husband and wife over a vehicle. Deputy advised subjects that it was a civil matter, so they should contact a lawyer.

Deputy met with a complainant on Santa Ana Street in reference to the husband being drunk and the wife was afraid he might start some trouble. The husband advised the Deputy that he just wanted to go to bed and that he would not start any trouble.

Report of a disturbance on Santa Ana Street between a male and female. They were screaming at each other. Deputy advised them to settle down or they would be arrested. The female left the residence with her belongings.

2-15-98
Report of loud music at a residence on Mulberry Street. Deputy advised subjects to turn music off.

Deputies brought six illegal aliens to the Sheriff's Office for booking. Subjects were picked up by Border Patrol.

Crockett County Sheriff's Deputies arrested four local subjects on charges of possession of stolen property.

Deputy met with Irion County Deputy to pick up a subject wanted on a warrant from Crockett County.

2-16-98
Report of a suspicious person at a local laundry. Deputy advised subject was just washing clothes and was same person who slept at the sheriff's office.

Deputy met with a female complainant in reference to her husband being drunk and told her to leave the house. The female subject and her daughter were placed at a local motel and given the number to Child Protective Services.

Report of a suspicious person walking through the yard of a local residence. Deputy was unable to locate anyone on arrival.

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Junction Stockyards Report

Junction Stockyards sold 163 head of cattle Friday, Feb. 13, 1998. Choice calves and yearlings were mostly \$2-\$4 higher. Slaughter cows and bulls were \$2 higher. Stocker cows and pairs were \$15-\$25 higher.

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Heavy lambs: .68-.74#
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Bucks: .40-.45#
Angora kids (choice): .67-.735#; (medium): .61-.67#
Weighing Angoras shorn (thin): .33-.40#; (fat): muttons-.48-.55#, nannies-.42-.49#
Big fat Spanish muttons and billies: .65-.75#
Fat yearlings: muttons-.80-.90#; billies: .63-.70#
Big fat Spanish nannies: .50-.60#
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Public Notice

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The vehicles will be auctioned at Pioneer IV Impound Yard Highway 163 South Ozona, Texas.

#1-1984 Ford Van, Texas License #9LVBR, VIN: 1FMEE11F2EHB22752. Shane Fenton, Sheriff Crockett County 1c2

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The Crockett County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1 (District), 511 11th Street, P.O. Box 117, Ozona, TX 76943-0117, will receive sealed bids (no faxed bids will be accepted) until 6:30 P.M., March 9, 1998, for 1

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Low Profile 4x2
Wheelbase 254" C-A 186"
Engine-Diesel 175 HP @ 2300 RPM
Transmission, Manual 5-speed
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14" Clutch Plate
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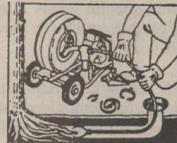
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