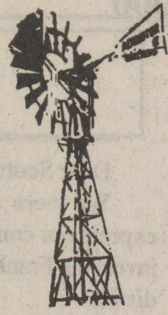
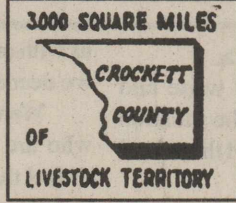


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The Ozona Lady Lions
 1999-2000 District Champions

Fifth district title in six years

Lady Lions capture district trophy

By Michelle Holtz
 STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

The Lady Lions finished their regular season with a 10-0 district record Feb. 8 in Davidson Gym, unleashing a tremendous power to defeat the Junction Lady Eagles 73-27. This is the fifth time for the Lady Lions to win the district title in six years.

Ozona began the game on fire, nailing a total of five 3-pointers in the game. Kelli Anne "Monkey" Goble had a great game with 15 total points, including two 3-pointers, and she made a perfect five of five shots from the free throw line.

Diana "Duck" Ellison led the Lady Lions in scoring with a high 21 points including one 3-pointer and four of five shots from the free point line.

Kelli Osborn and Millie Wadsworth led their team in rebounds, each having four total rebounds.

Michelle Gann led the Lady Lions in steals as she stripped the ball out of the Lady Eagles' possession six times, making the Lady Eagles look up as she made her presence known.

The Lady Lions scored 25 points from the bench and had six points in second efforts.

In the first quarter, the Lady Lions outscored the Lady Eagles by four points 16-12 with "Monkey" leading the team with five points, including making three free throws.

Kelli Osborn also led the Lady Lions with five points, including a 3-pointer followed by Kristi Avila with four points and "Duck" with two.

The Ladies then unloaded big time on the Lady Eagles, scoring an awesome 22 points while holding Junction to no more than five points in the second quarter.

Scoring for Ozona were "Duck" with 11 points, Millie Wadsworth with three, Penny Weddle with three, "Monkey" with two and Avila with one.

The Lady Lions led the Lady Eagles by great proportions at the half, 38-17.

In the third quarter, the Lady Lions totally shut down the Lady Eagles while putting up six points to increase their lead to 44-17 at the end of the quarter. "Duck" landed three points, Wadsworth had one and Gann sank the last two point basket at the buzzer ending the third quarter.

The Ladies turned up the heat again as they racked in 29 points to the Lady Eagles' 10 in the final eight

minutes of the game. Monkey made 10 of those points including two 3-pointers and two free throws. She was followed closely by Gann with seven points, including one 3-pointer and four free throws. Duck had five points, including one three, Kayla Turland struck up four points, and Weddle chimed in two more as the Lady Lions won the game 73-27 and were once again the district champs.

Principal Donnie Wiley presented the Lady Lions with the district title trophy.

"I feel great," said Coach Dickie Fought after the game. "The girls deserve to win district as they have performed well this season and have showed great effort. These girls are very deserving of this, every bit as much as the girls in the past years to win district. I am very proud."

When asked of his expectations

in the playoffs, Fought said, "I think we have a better chance this year than last year of advancing in the playoffs. These girls are more experienced (from last year's playoffs), we have better team speed, making us a tougher team than last year."

"I want to thank all of the Ozona fans, and I know the girls really appreciate the fans, especially the crowd support in the Wall games both here and in Wall. The Lady Lions are used to having a loud, roaring crowd, and we really appreciate your continuous support and cheering."

Score by Quarters

Lady Lions	16	22	6	29	73
Lady Eagles	12	5	0	10	27

Scores: Duck 21, Monkey 15, Gann 9, Osborn 7, Weddle 5, Avila 5, Turland 4, Duncan 2; 3-pointers: Monkey 2, Duck 1, Gann 1, Osborn 1; Season Record 27-2; District Record 10-0.

Middle school facilities dedicated

A large crowd turned out Feb. 10 for the dedication ceremony at Ozona Middle School. The formal dedication of the extensively renovated facility was held in the impressive gymnasium with the help of the 1999-2000 Student Advisory Council.

The youngsters, 20 in all, took their turns before the microphone to tell how "a dream became an plan, and the plan became a reality". They expressed appreciation for the work done by the late Becky Childress, who was a member of the school board, and her dedication to the children of Crockett County.

While also thanking their parents and the community, school trustees, administration, staff, teachers and student body, the youths promised to work to keep the school in its "wonderful state" and to be worthy of the trust placed in them.

Advisory Council members are: Mica Aaron, Philip Baggett, Bobbie Bangeman, Brandi Buchanan, Ruth Cervantez, Aaron Espino, Michelle Gandar, Arron Garza, Manuel Gutierrez, Clay Hale, Josh Long, Chris Martinez, Laura Pierce, Harvey Ruiz, Bryan Skehan, Kayleigh Tambunga, Jarryd Taylor, Emily Vargas, Victoria Velasquez and Ryan Wiley.

The dedication included spirited pre-program music performed by members of the eighth grade band

under the direction of Rose Garza, comments and special recognitions by Principal Charles Floyd and Supt. Larry Taylor and the invocation by teacher Lloyd Winkley, and ended with the ribbon cutting by board president Wade Richardson and the Advisory Council members.

Added to the west side of the school building are a handsome new library, soundproof band hall and office. In addition to touring these areas, various classrooms, two spacious science labs and two computer labs, guests saw the benefit of wide halls and carpeted floors. Great lighting, fresh paint and bright yellow lockers increased the visual appeal of the school.

The middle school also benefitted through replacement of heaters with 26 roof-mounted heating and air conditioning units, new electrical service, updated and modernized student toilet rooms, replacement of concrete slabs in 11 classrooms, installation of new fire and smoke alarms, replacement of all doors, a new metal roof, batt insulation, new liquid marker boards for all classrooms and asbestos abatement.

These renovations were made possible through a bond election held in June of 1998. The \$2,965,000.00 bond, which will be paid off in three years, funded renovations to OMS and Davidson Gym.

County health insurance changes coming

Persons hired by Crockett County, elected or appointed to a county office after Feb. 14, 2000, will be eligible for the same health insurance as those on the payroll prior to that date. Their dependents will be, too. Except that the county will no longer pay the insurance for dependents of these new employees/elected/appointed officials. Employees will have the opportunity to purchase the insurance for their dependents.

Individuals re-elected or re-appointed to office after Feb. 14, 2000, with no lapse in their service to the county will continue to receive county

insurance for their dependents at no cost.

The decision was made Monday as a first step toward cutting health care costs for the county.

If the necessary data arrives, commissioners expect to meet in called session Thursday night to consider and approve options for health care insurance. They are awaiting cost figures from Benefit Planners after a session with the company last week in Bronte in a search of a more affordable plan.

Adding grill guards to sheriff's department cars is another cost con-

trol method being considered. During his report, Sheriff Shane Fenton commented that the guards would be cheaper than the approximately \$3,000.00 it costs in repairs each time one of the eight vehicles hits a deer.

Fenton was asked to look into the expense of outfitting the cars with grill guards.

Commissioners voted to transfer \$1,000.00 from the sheriff's fund

Ladies in playoff game Feb. 18

The Lady Lions will play the winner of the Seagraves/Sundown game for area Feb. 18 in Big Spring. The contest begins at 6:00 p.m. in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

The Ozona Lions will play a practice game there at 4:00 p.m.

Feb. 21 first day to file for trustee

Persons interested in filing for a place on the school board may do so beginning Feb. 21. Positions open this year are those of David Bean in District 3 and Veronica Tijerina in District 4. Deadline for filing for a place on the ballot is March 22.

Early voting by personal appearance in the May 7 election begins April 19 and ends May 2.

Applications to vote by mail will be accepted beginning March 7. None will be accepted after April 28.

School board extends contracts

In their regular monthly meeting that was held on Wednesday, February 9, members of the Ozona School Board approved the calling of an Order of Election on May 6 for the purpose of electing two members (District 3 and District 4) to the local school board. District 3 is represented by Veronica Tijerina, and District 4 is represented by David Bean. The deadline for filing for these positions is Wednesday, March 22.

Prior to the calling of the Order of Election, Board President Wade Richardson canvassed each school board member on their school board training hours as reported by the Texas Association of School Boards. All school board members have completed the required hours of school board member training.

The trustees approved bids received from Marks Heating and Air Conditioning, Vernon Bendele Diversified Company, and Bowman Home Center for the renovation of five-school owned houses, and they approved board member Billy Cunningham as a member of the Crockett County Appraisal District Board of Directors.

Superintendent Larry Taylor presented a report on the Comptroller of Public Accounts-Property Tax Division 1999 Property School District Summary, and the members approved the district's participation in the Cycle 7 Academics 2000: First Things First Reading Improvement Grant with the Region XV Education Service Center

Please see page 5

Lions chosen for All-State Football Team

By Michelle Holtz
 STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

The Academic All-State Football Team was announced Thursday, Feb. 10, on the Internet.

Making the Class 2A first team was Ozona's own Lion - Senior Seth Webster, son of Ricky and Darolyn Webster. Webster was among 40 high school boys chosen on the first team for Class 2A.

Making the Class 2A second team from Ozona were Dustin Shaffer,

son of Ray and Kay Shaffer, and Clay Richardson, son of Wade and Jane Richardson. Shaffer and Richardson were among 30 high school boys chosen on the second team in Class 2A.

"This is a great honor for these young men," said Coach Steve Taylor, athletic director. "To receive this you not only have to be a good football player, you have to be a great student. I've had only one player receive this honor in 22 years, so for Ozona to have three this year is really something."



ACADEMIC ALL-STATE FOOTBALL TEAM honorees from the 1999 Ozona Lions are: Seth Webster, Clay Richardson and Dustin Shaffer.

Photo by Susan Calloway

The Weather

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Feb. 7	74	27	-0-
Feb. 8	73	28	-0-
Feb. 9	74	42	-0-
Feb. 10	84	41	-0-
Feb. 11	85	33	-0-
Feb. 12	70	34	-0-
Feb. 13	76	37	-0-

(Readings are for a 24 hour period beginning at 8 a.m.)

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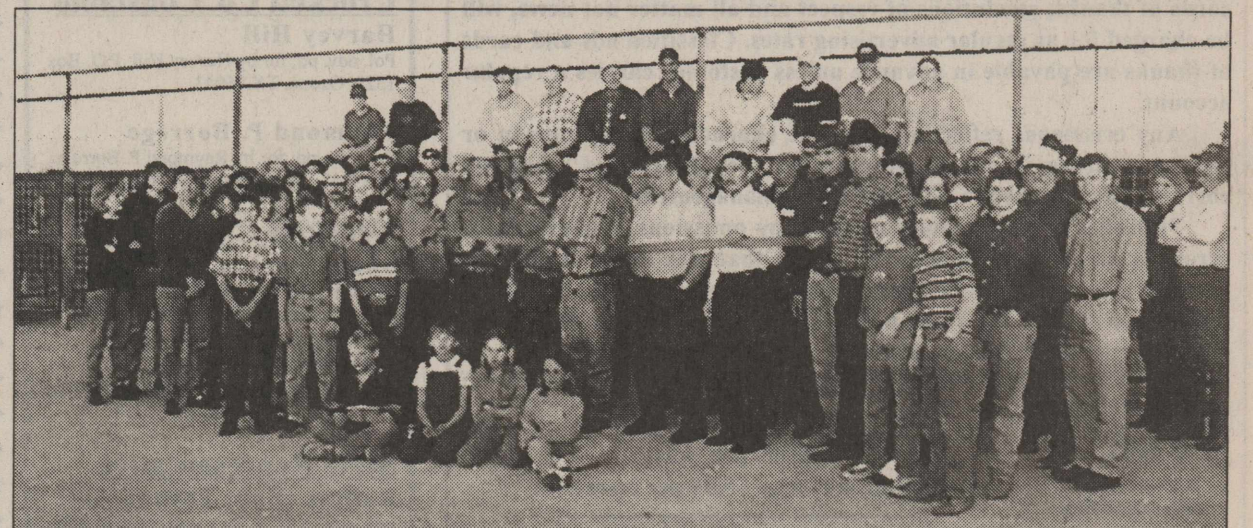
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The Weather Channel



WADE RICHARDSON, school board president, and members of Ozona Middle School's Council cut the ribbon at the school's dedication and open house Feb. 10.

Photo by Linda Moore



A RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY at the new 4-H Barn gave youths using the facility an opportunity to thank many who donated toward the building. Pictured doing the honors is Judge Jeff Sutton.

Photo by Scotty Moore

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Scotty and Linda,
 We were anxious to write and express our concern with the situation involving Frank Reavis and the school district.

Mr. Reavis has never been anything but a caring, concerned, and excellent educator, and citizen of this community. Anyone who has attended Ozona High School has more than likely benefited from his outstanding teaching abilities or at least his friendly smiles and encouragement. There is little chance that this has changed so drastically...

Those of us who had Mr. Reavis in the classroom know that he used many different techniques to keep students interested and bring life to the topics being studied. While the subjects he taught were not our personal favorites or those we particularly excelled in, we enjoyed them because of Mr. Reavis's teaching skills, and his ability to apply the concepts to everyday living. We can truly say that we learned a great deal from his classes. He was even willing to help

Protect Your Purchasing Power in Retirement

Inflation is a persistent, substantial rise in the general price level. It is a long-term consideration that cannot be ignored because, even at today's relatively low rate of 3%, inflation can relentlessly wear down the purchasing power of your money over time. This will have an impact on your future retirement plans unless you take some action.



Stuart Schielack

Before retirement consider how much money you will need and adjust for inflation. Let's say that you will want \$2,000 a month in supplemental retirement income (in today's dollars) and that inflation averages 6% a year. If you will retire in 10 years, you will actually need \$3,582 per month to receive the same purchasing power for your money. Retire in 20 years, and you will need \$6,414; and in 30 years, \$11,487 per month. Of course, this example is a hypothetical and actual results may vary, but, you get the idea.

After retirement, inflation will continue to affect your money's purchasing power. You may need to adjust your strategy for a retirement that could last 30 years. Using the Rule of 72, the purchasing power of a dollar could drop to .50 in 18 years at 4% inflation (72 divided by 4% = 18 years for prices to double). If your investments are earning 4% and inflation is 5%, the real dollar value of your assets is actually declining.

Recommendation: Fight Back!

To maintain your standard of living over time, your investments must outpace inflation, earning a competitive rate of return while meeting your financial objectives. Include growth investments in your portfolio.

Diversification will also allow you to take advantage of upswings among many types of investments, minimizing the effect of down turns in others.

Finally, reinvestment of dividends will allow you to take advantage of compounding and tax-deferral opportunities.

So, don't let inflation nibble away at your retirement fund's purchasing power. Fight inflation with growth investments, diversification, and dividend reinvestment.

This article is provided by Stuart Schielack, Investment Representative Primevest Financial Services.
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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 March 14, 2000 Election.

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 Pol. adv. pd. for by Roy Glenn Sutton, P.O. Box 1517, Ozona, TX 76943

State Representative Robert (Bob) Turner
 Pol. adv. pd. for by Committee to elect Bob Turner, 1907 12th St., Brownwood, TX 76801

No front page political announcements will be published after Feb. 23.

us with our work in other classes when we needed it.

We would hope that those of you who are unfamiliar with Mr. Reavis or feel that situations at the school are not any of your business will realize that Mr. Reavis is simply the most recent victim in an ongoing effort to rid Ozona of some of its best educators. These educators apparently made the fatal mistake of caring about all students regardless of their economic status or race.

Even more damaging however, was their insistence that all the students abide by the same rules and reap the consequences of their actions. Mr. Reavis and these educators taught us that for every choice, there is a consequence. Most of us learned to make positive choices, that is how young people develop the character and values to be good citizens.

Ozona, please don't look the other way again. This is the time to take a stand for truth, honesty, and excellence in your children's education. You can either be herded like a flock (of sheep or stand up for what you know in your heart is right. How many more experienced outstanding educators must Ozona lose before we all speak up? Contact your school board members and school administrators today and let them know your opinion.

Sincerely,
 Katharine (Durham) Longoria
 and Lisa (Herring) De Hoyos
 OHS Class of 1993

Scotty,
 You can add me to your list of supporters for Mr. Reavis. Please keep us posted and let us know what we can do to help!

Thank you.
 Terel (Seahorn)

Mr. Moore,
 I agree whole heartedly with what Andy and Todd said. I cannot understand why certain people in Ozona want to let the best teacher OHS has ever had go.

Mr. Reavis was not only the best teacher I have ever had, but he has remained a good friend years after high school. A good man with a good family whose home is always open to

students and ex-students if you need advice or just want to say hello.

Ozona needs a wake-up call. When a teacher like Mr. Reavis dedicates a lifetime to the community and its kids, without even a ripple on the water for 30 years, then all of a sudden someone doesn't like his teaching? I do not get it.

Let's not forget his sacrifice, his family, his home, his son.

Mr. Reavis, you have my deepest thanks for some very memorable and enjoyable times. Our prayers are with you and yours.

Martin Childress
 OHS Class of '90

Dear Mr. Frank Reavis and the People of Ozona,

I have just recently found out about the forced "administrative leave" of Mr. Frank Reavis. Not knowing the full story, I am shocked that the Ozona school system is... encouraging the resignation of one of the two greatest teachers ever to bless the Crockett County public school system. Mr. Reavis and Mrs. Eleanor South are the only teachers that helped prepare myself, as well as my classmates, for college. Mr. Reavis is a very kindhearted, truthful and encouraging man.

I want to thank you, Mr. Reavis, for opening your home up to students for many years. I don't know any teacher or faculty member that has ever thrown a party for the students one single time, much less twice a year for years on end. I would also like to thank you for the many hours you have put into your job and into us, teaching us not only chemistry and physics, but about life.

I pray that the public school system would not be ignorant enough to fire, or force you to resign, or whatever they choose to call it. I would also hope that the people of Ozona do not stand for the school, which they support, (to) get rid of another great, great teacher, and an even better person.

I am sorry they are treating you this way, Mr. Reavis. I wish you the very best, and I hope you don't think the school administration reflects the people of Ozona and their attitudes towards you. Thank you, Mr. Reavis.

God Bless,
 Jason Hignight Class of '97

Crockett County criminal court dispositions

CAUSE 4101: Kenneth Ray Crabb, driving while license suspended, State's motion to dismiss granted.

CAUSE 4089: Rex McLaughlin, possession of marijuana, 6 months def. adj., \$600 fine, \$265.25 court cost.

CAUSE 4078: Daniel Gonzales Martinez, DWI, waiver of arraignment reduced to reckless conduct, 1 year probation, \$1000 fine, \$255.25 court cost.

CAUSE 4076: Alexander Molina Borrego, Jr., criminal mischief, State's motion to dismiss granted.

CAUSE 4007: Alexander Molina Borrego, Jr., DWI, 6 months probation, \$400 fine, \$209.25 court cost. Motion for new trial filed, hearing granted, State's motion to dismiss granted.

CAUSE 3998: Sarah Elaine Knies, possession of marijuana, State's motion to dismiss granted.

CAUSE 3997: Sarah Elaine Knies, possession of controlled substance in penalty group 3, State's motion to dismiss granted.

miss granted.

CAUSE 3996: Steve Young Kim, possession of marijuana, State's motion to dismiss granted.

CAUSE 3995: Steve Young Kim, DWI, State's motion to dismiss granted.

CAUSE 3818: David Torres, terroristic threat, 2 years probation, \$400 fine, \$209.25 court cost, 6 months incarceration probation revoked, credit for time served.

CAUSE 3817: David Torres, resisting arrest, 2 years probation, \$400 fine, \$209.25 court cost, 6 months incarceration probation revoked, credit for time served.

CAUSE 3810: David Torres, criminal mischief, 2 years probation, \$400 fine, \$209.25 court cost, 6 months incarceration probation revoked, credit for time served.

CAUSE 3809: David Torres, evading arrest, 2 years probation, \$400 fine, \$209.25 court cost, 6 months incarceration probation revoked, credit for time served.

News Reel

News items taken from the files of *The Ozona Stockman* published 29 and 58 years ago

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News Reel

The Outstanding Citizen Award for 1970 went to Mrs. Bernice Jones, only woman county judge in Crockett County history. The choice was revealed at the 7th Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet held Thursday night at the Civic Center.

News Reel

Funeral services for Lloyd Loudamy, 57, were held Sunday afternoon at 3:30 from the Wright's Funeral Home Chapel in Brownwood with burial near Rising Star.

News Reel

Basketball season ended last Friday night for the Ozona Lions and their fans when they took a 57-36 drubbing at the hands of the Crane Golden Cranes in Iraan. Both teams were well represented and there was standing room only in the packed gym.

News Reel

C. O. (Lefty) Walker is the newly elected president of the Ozona Chamber of Commerce. He took over the gavel from outgoing president Lawrence Janes at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet Thursday night.

News Reel

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Preston and son, Trey, were here over the weekend visiting Mrs. Preston's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Applewhite. Mr. Preston is a coach in the Hondo school system.

News Reel

Mrs. Ronald Berry and children of Dickinson were here last week visiting Mrs. Berry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pleas Childress.

News Reel

Mrs. Eldred Roach entertained the Friday Bridge Club in her home last week with luncheon and bridge. Mrs. Early Baggett won club high and Mrs. A. H. Studt, guest high. Low went to Mrs. S. M. Harvick.

News Reel

Funeral services were held in Eldorado Tuesday afternoon for Mrs. Gertrude Lopez, 84, who died early Sunday morning. Mrs. Lopez was the mother of Cayetano Etheridge of Ozona.

Public Notice

NOTICE OF ABANDONED VEHICLE

A white Dodge Ram van mfg. date 11-1984, VIN#: 2B7FK13C3FB182789, with no license plates was abandoned east of Ozona IH 10 at 378 mile post. Ordered impounded by Texas Department of Public Safety 5-14-99. This vehicle is stored at Pioneer IV (915-392-5019). Owner may claim and pay applicable towing and storage fees. 1c2

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

CROCKETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS will be accepting sealed bids for the Sale of Surplus Road and Bridge Equipment until 12:00 noon on March 3, 2000.

List of Equipment with minimum bid requirements will be available at the Crockett County Auditor's office or the County Road Barn. Bids should be given or mailed to the County Auditor, John Stokes, Box 989, Ozona, Texas 76943. "SURPLUS EQUIPMENT BID" should be written on the bid envelope.

Any bid received after stated opening time will not be considered and will be returned unopened.

John Stokes
 County Auditor

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Ozona Garden Club News

By Charlotte Harrell

Nineteen members of Ozona Garden Club and many guests from Ozona and other communities met Monday, Feb. 14, at 11:30 a.m. in the courtroom of the Crockett County Courthouse. Hostesses Ella Clegg, Mary Jo Mason and Cheryl Whitesides provided iced tea and Valentine's Day cookies to accompany participants' brown bag lunches.

John Begnaud of San Angelo presented an informative program on "Landscape Design" and also answered numerous questions about gardening problems and gave advice about the best kinds of plants for our area. He recommended two gardening books: *Native Texas Plants* and the *Sunset National Garden Book*. He made recommendations too numerous to recount in detail, but here are a few of them:

- Add mulch and nitrogen to the soil
- Don't top pecan trees
- Web worms are not too serious, but caterpillars are a threat to the life of a tree
- The darker and waxier the leaf, the better it does in a hot, dry climate
- Fescue grass is shade tolerant
- Strive for attractive, maintenance-free and long-lived landscaping
- Don't buy the much touted bioenzymes; they do your garden no good
- Install drip irrigation systems to save water and to better keep the soil moist around plant roots

• "Roundup" will kill garden grass, and "Manage" will kill nut grass

• Indian Hawthorne, hollies and nandinas do well in the shade

• Fertilize your garden when plant growth begins - nitrogen is needed every 3-6 weeks; most new growth in plants occurs in first 45 days of spring

• To save energy and hide unattractive air conditioning units, place vines on trellises or hedges around unit, leaving about 18" of breathing space between unit and plants

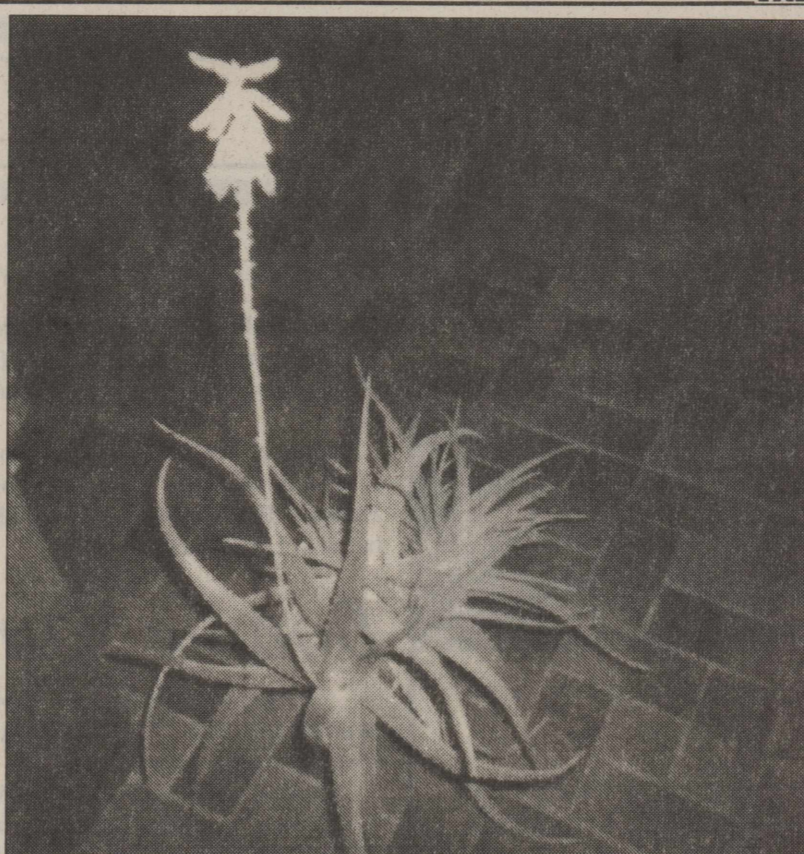
• Deciduous trees are best for the front yard - pecans, burr oaks, Chinese pistache, cedar elm, lacy oak, red buds, mountain laurel, for example

• Place color near the front door to enhance it as the focal point of interest.

For more information, be sure to check with the Crockett County Public Library for books on gardening and with the Crockett County Extension Office.

President Carmen Sutton conducted the business meeting. Jeri Lynn Pierce and Jan Van Shoubrouek reported that the table decorations for the chamber of commerce banquet to be held March 20 will be yellow tablecloths with flowers and greenery to represent a "prairie" theme.

Garden club members were reminded that the Second Time Around Sale will be Saturday, Feb. 19, at 8:00 a.m. The public is cordially invited to attend to find great bargains in clothing, toys, household items and you name it.



BEVERLY MAULDIN shared this photo of her blooming aloe vera plant. The plant produces manila colored blooms every five or six years. Mauldin doesn't fertilize the fast multiplying plant and has had it for thirty years.

Respect is Texas Youth Building Character "pillar" for February

Aretha Franklin sang about it, but do we have enough of it in our society? Better yet, do we have enough of it in our community? Some would say "no". Today's youth have been accused or not respecting their elders or even their peers for that matter.

Respect is this month's Texas Youth Building Character "pillar". On Friday, February 18, Crockett County 1st graders will participate in classroom exercises teaching respect. Respect is treating others with consideration, and it is how we all want to be treated. A perfect example of respect is the Golden Rule. Take a few minutes this week and talk to your child about the Golden Rule. Maybe they have never heard of it. Then, discuss some ways they could show respect at home, in school, and out in the community.

Even adults sometimes need reminded of the importance of respecting another. The following is a thought provoking poem. It mentions respect, and how we will be remembered for our actions.

HOW DO YOU LIVE YOUR DASH?

-Author Unknown

I read of a man who stood to speak at the funeral of a friend
He referred to the dates on her tombstone
From the beginning... to the end.

He noted that first came her date of birth
And spoke the following date with tears,
But he said what mattered most of all
Was the dash between those years.

For that dash represents all the time
That she spent alive on earth...
And now only those who loved her
Know what that little line is worth.

For it matters not, how much we own;
The cars...the house...the cash,
What matters is how we live and love
And how we spend our dash.

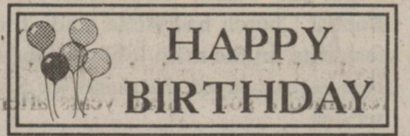
So think about this long and hard...
Are there things you'd like to change?
For you never know how much time is left,
That can still be rearranged.

If we could just slow down enough
To consider what's true and real,
And always try to understand
The way other people feel.

And be less quick to anger,
And show appreciation more
And love the people in our lives
Like we've never loved before.

If we treat each other with respect,
And more often wear a smile...
Remembering that this special dash
Might only last a little while.

So, when your eulogy's being read
With your life's actions to rehash...
Would you be proud of the things they say
About how you spent your dash?



Feb. 16-Willia Perry, Abigail Zamarripa, Ruby Tambunga, John Daniel Crowder, Lana Kay Sanchez, Jacob Lara.

Feb. 17-Ray Martinez, Daniel Hernandez, Dora Alicia Elizondo, John Clayton Childress, Lacey Renae Sanchez, Margaret Villarreal, Graham Childress.

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

Feb. 19-Inez Ortiz, Hilda Galindo, Lando Pena-Alfaro, Jeffrey Young, Dario Porras Jr., Jeffrey Dylan 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 O'Neill De La Rosa, Irma Ybarra, Juan Castellanos, Yolanda Flores

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

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

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KAY SHAFER (center) was selected as the Alpha Alpha Mu Valentine Queen. Princesses were Melissa Morris and Carol Richie. Photo by Susan Calloway

Square dancers enjoy Valentine's feast

Ed Hart (pronounced "heart") few lessons. The next dance for Levis and Lace will be called by Bill Prichard, national caller from Eagle Pass, on March 11.

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A special Valentine's feast of bris-ket, beans, potato salad, banana pudding, heart cookies, "puppy chow", pink salad and punch was served to all the dancers.

Tickets are now being sold by all the Levis and Lace members. Prizes are: first - \$28,000.00 gift certificate for a new vehicle of your choice anywhere in Texas, second - \$3,000.00 gift certificate from Wal-Mart/Sam's, third - \$1,000.00 gift certificate from Lowe's Home Improvement Center. Tickets are \$1.00 each or a book of 10 for \$10.00. The prize will be given away June 10 at the State Square and Round Dance Festival in Lubbock. You do not need to be present to win.

Students Jan St. Clair, Patsy Hester, Melissa Ivey, B. J. and Ky Hardy are making great progress in lessons. Melissa joined the club dancers at the Crane Center to help entertain the residents there. She did a super job, especially to have had just a

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JOHN BEGNAUD of San Angelo presented a "Landscape Design" program sponsored by the Ozona Garden Club and Extension Service in the Crockett County Courthouse courtroom on Feb. 14. Photo by Susan Calloway

Ozona Chamber of Commerce COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- Feb. 16 - Social Security Rep, Courthouse Annex, 10-11:30 a.m.
- Feb. 17 - Food for Thought, Methodist Church, 12:00-1:30 p.m.
- Feb. 22 - Cub Scout Pack #153 Blue & Gold Banquet, Civic Center, 6:30 p.m.
- Feb. 28 - First Day of Early Voting
- March 14 - Primary Election
- March 15 - Social Security Rep, Courthouse Annex, 10-11:30 a.m.
- March 20 - Chamber Banquet, Reception 6:30 p.m., Dinner 7;
- Program: OHS One Act Play "The Voice of the Prairie" by John Olive, Produced by Permission From Samuel French. Directed by Ty Payne; Co-Directed by David Porter
- April 1 - Ft. Lancaster School of Victorian Lady/School of Soldier, 9-4
- April 1 - Vintage Style Show, Museum, 11 a.m.
- April 20 - Garden Club Flower Show, Civic Center
- May 27 - Ft. Lancaster Cemetery Cleanup, 9-4
- June 16-17 - World Championship Goat Roping
- June 17 - Goat Ropers Ball
- Aug. 5 - 8th Annual David Crockett Birthday Festival, Town Square, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
- Sept. 1 - Boer Goat Production Sale
- Sept. 30 - Ft. Lancaster Annual Living History Special Event 9-4
- Oct. 14 - Pioneer Heritage Day, Crockett County Museum
- Nov. 11 - Ft. Lancaster Civil War Living History Day 9-4
- Dec. 1 - Christmas Lighting Ceremony by Ozona Woman's League To add your event to The Ozona Stockman Community Calendar, call 392-2551 or contact Ozona Chamber of Commerce at 392-3737.



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In the last three years I have worked hard to address the problems that citizens feel are most urgent in Crockett County. Many voiced concerns about unsafe school zones, the need for 911, more officers on patrol, the unsolved Phillips murder, and drugs.

- I immediately set up school zone patrols and the enforcement of school zone speed limits continues.
- With the support and encouragement of the Woman's Forum and many other individuals, we installed 911 and mapping of the county is nearing completion, ahead of schedule.
- With the approval of the commissioners. I hired additional officers and along with the realignment of shifts and reassignment of existing officers, we now have more deputies on patrol than ever before, resulting in a drop in crime and better safety for our officers.
- Within months of taking office in 1997, with help from the Texas Rangers, we solved the seven year old Phillips murder case and got life in prison for the man who killed him.
- Of the many accomplishments we have achieved during my term one of the most important has been the arrest of numerous drug dealers. Drug arrests have increased 400% since I took office and this will continue to be a priority as long as I am Sheriff of Crockett County.

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Obituaries

Monday service for Mrs. Maldonado

Armandina G. Maldonado, age 72, of Ozona died Friday, Feb. 11, 2000, in Crockett County Care Center.

Funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m. Monday at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church with burial in Lima Cemetery.

Mrs. Maldonado was born Feb. 10, 1928, and was a member of the Catholic Church.

Survivors include: three daughters: Lupe Sanchez of Ozona, Vangie Richarte of Lovington, NM, and Isabel Vargas of Sweetwater; three sons: Robert Maldonado of San Angelo and

Pete and Ramon Maldonado, both of Ozona; two sisters: Eustolia Villarreal of Ozona and Etelvina Isaaks of Baytown; three brothers: Hector, Heriberto and Matias Gutierrez, all of Ozona. She is also survived by 18 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Bonnie Warth laid to rest Feb. 11

Bonnie Warth, age 87, died Wednesday, Feb. 9, 2000, in the Crockett County Care Center.

Funeral service was at 10:00 a.m. Friday Feb. 11, 2000, in the Ozona United Methodist Church. Graveside service was at 3:00 p.m. in Gouldbusk

Cemetery in Gouldbusk. Arrangements were by Preddy Funeral Home.

Bonnie was born May 20, 1912 in Gouldbusk, Coleman County. She was a Navy Veteran of WWII where she served as a registered nurse. It was during this time Bonnie met and mar-

ried her husband Gary Warth. Together Bonnie and Gary opened and operated fashionable beauty salons in New Jersey, Miami and Dallas. Later Bonnie managed the Neiman Marcus beauty salon in Dallas.

Upon retirement Bonnie and her sister Jean Snively moved to Ozona in 1973 to be near their sister, Mary Lee Jones. Bonnie was active in many clubs and civic functions in Ozona for 27 years and for many years she was the secretary for the United Methodist Church.

Preceding Bonnie in death were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom. Crossland; two sisters, Mrs. Ralph Jones and Mrs. G. W. Snively; and a brother, Jack Crosslan.

Survivors include her son, Pat McCoy, and wife Peggy of Houston; nieces Jan Van Shoubrouek of Ozona and Sue Whitley of Abilene.

Care Center Chatter

Top players for bingo last week were Calvin Johnson and Consuela Sarabia. Volunteers were Socorro Maldonado and Eva Tinney.

Monday afternoon Nancy Mossman held Methodist Bible study for residents in the day room. Monday evening at 6:30, the family support group met in the day room for their monthly meeting. They will meet again March 14.

The family support group is to try to improve communications between family and facility staff. Family support group also provides families with educational programs on topics such as Medicare, Medicaid, the aging process and the latest federal regulations.

The family support group is a forum in which feelings can be expressed, discussed and similar feelings exhibited. Families therefore feel they have input into the functions of the nursing home.

Tuesday evening Brother Bill Fuller and Randy Carter from First Baptist Church had Bible study for residents in the main lobby. Glenda Henderson played the piano for the service.

Wednesday mornings are very important as our residents wait patiently for the reading of *The Ozona Stockman* in the day room. Thanks, Linda and Scotty for our local news.

Wednesday afternoon Len Hillman and Otis Nester entertained our residents with a variety of music.

Last Wednesday evening the First Baptist Church Teens entertained residents with singing. Thank you all.

Thursday morning is our beauty shop day, where our residents receive their new hair look for the week. Volunteers give their time, talents and good conversation, which is enjoyed by all. Doing residents' hair last week were: Kay Baker, Judy Reagor, Barbara Howell, Belinda Koerth, Dianne Lucky and Jeana Jackson. Thank you very special ladies. Kay Baker, we hope you get to feeling better.

Friday afternoon the Lockwood singers entertained our residents with religious songs. The Lockwoods were here for a revival in Ozona.

We are in need of flower donations for our planters and front flower beds. We would like to make our front yard colorful and welcoming.

We are still taking items for our garage sale to be held this spring. Call 392-3096, and we'll pick up your donations.

Our prayers are with the Monnie Boyd, Armandina Maldonado and Bonnie Warth families.

Quote for the Week: Volunteers are the only beings who reflect this nation's compassion, unselfish caring, patience and just plain loving one another.

-Erma Bombeck
Our care center should be number one priority in Crockett County, our staff provides the best in long term care. We are blessed with our qualified staff.

Jan St. Clair
Activity Director

⁽⁸⁾ As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God.

⁽¹⁹⁾ But Peter and John replied to them, whether it is right in the sight of God to listen to you and obey you rather than God, you must decide (judge).

⁽²⁰⁾ But we [ourselves] cannot help what we have seen and heard.

Psalm 48:8 Acts. 4:19,20
(Amplified Version)

Easter ham sale to benefit exchange program by 4-H

The 4-H Exchange Trip Program is selling 20 pound bone-in smoked hams for Easter. The hams cost \$25.00 (to be paid at the time the order is placed), and the hams will be available for pick up on April 17 and 18.

To order, contact one of the following 4-H'ers: Amanda Carson, Hilary Huffman, Katie Parker, Clay Hale, Erica and Andy Birkenfeld, Jared and Andrew Shaffer, Sara Richie or Aaron Renfro, or call the Extension Office at 392-2721.

The sale ends on Friday, March 31, so order today.

Ozona Investment Club to have speaker Feb. 21

The Ozona Investment Club is having a guest speaker on Monday, February 21, 2000 to present a program on annuities and other insurance products as they relate to investing. The speaker will be Doug Ternan who is with Wood Logan/Venture/Manulife Insurance. The seminar will be held at the Crockett National Bank meeting room, beginning at 6:30 p.m. and is open to the public. Please call Jim Skehan at 392-3745 if you plan on attending so that they can be sure to have enough program packets for everyone. The Ozona Investment Club will have a short business meeting after the program.

No Condemnation

by Dr. Dennis Prutow

All her accusers walked away. Jesus asked, "Did no one condemn you?" The answer of the adulteress was simple. "No one, Lord." Jesus then said two astounding things. "I do not condemn you, either. Go. From now on sin no more" (John 8:10-11). Jesus Christ did not come to bring condemnation.

Adultery already violates God's standards. "You shall not commit adultery" (Exodus 20:14). The penalty for adultery was death. "If there is a man who commits adultery with another man's wife, one who commits adultery with his friend's wife, the adulterer and the adulteress shall surely be put to death" (Leviticus 20:10). The New Testament adds these solemn words, "The wages of sin is death" (Romans 6:23). The Old Testament penalty reflects the awesome spiritual reality.

At the same time, "God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved" (John 3:17). Jesus did not condemn. He did not condone the woman's sin either. "Sin no more." Salvation means new life. God removes guilt and the propensity to sin. God also provides a new bent of heart. "There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death" (Romans 8:1).

First Baptist Church
901 Ave. D
Rev. Bill Fuller
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m.

Ozona Church of Christ
1002 11th St.
Mr. Johnnie Perkins
Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:00 p.m.
Sun. Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.

Ozona United Methodist Church
12 - 11th St.
Rev. Nancy Mossman
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.

Mt. Zion Baptist Church
Cenisa St.
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.

Faith Lutheran Church
802 1st St.
Rev. Charles Huffman
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Worship: 9 a.m.

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.

Templo Bautista Jerusalem
138 Blas St.
Rev. Esequiel Cervantez
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m.

Church of God of Prophecy
102 Man O' War St.
Pastor Lupe Domoniquiez
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 4:30 p.m.
Tues. & Thurs: 6 p.m.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help
219 Martinez St.
Rev. Henry Laenen
Sun. Mass: 11 a.m.
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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.

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 p.m.

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.

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 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7 p.m.

Iglesia de Cristo
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Worship: 10:45 a.m.
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We would like to thank everyone for their thoughtfulness following the death of our beloved mother, grandmother and sister. Your gifts of food and flowers, the prayers and time spent with the family are precious to us.

The family of Armandina Maldonado

Card of Thanks

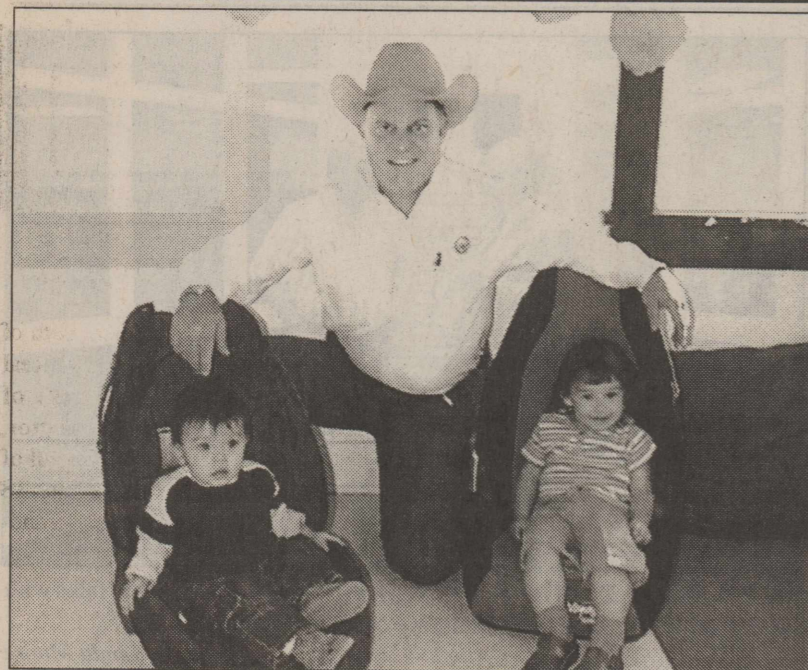
Once again words can never reveal the gratitude felt to all who helped with the baby shower. Admiration goes to those who assisted in decorating and cleaning. We are grateful to those who traveled in making this a memorable event. There were so many remarkable family, friends and relatives whose beauty was shown by your presence and acts of kindness. The magnitude of love shown through the wonderful gifts was appreciated.

God bless you all,
Julia Ramirez

Card of Thanks

On behalf of the family of Antonio Fierro Sr. we would like to take this opportunity to thank the people who visited us, sent flowers, cards, brought food and most of all for everyone's prayers, during the loss of our beloved Father. We also want to express our thanks to the EMT crew for their service, also thanks to Dr. Sims, and his staff.

Thank you from the families of
Mr. and Mrs. Tony Fierro
Mr. and Mrs. Baltzar Fierro
Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Fierro
Mr. and Mrs. Federico Fierro
Mr. and Mrs. Willie Fierro
Mr. and Mrs. Angel Fierro



ANTHONY PEREZ AND NOEL FIERRO (r.) happily sit in their new car seats courtesy of donations from the Ozona Church of Christ congregation. Ozona Community Center contacted Sheriff Shane Fenton (center) and the Sheriff's Department in regard to the availability of funds to provide the children with the safety seats. Fenton directed the request to his church congregation and the money was collected on the spot. *Photo by Susan Calloway*

• Health

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to the senior citizens fund.

The new senior citizens' building was also a topic during the report by Eddie Moore, road and parks superintendent. The floors are being waxed and his work crew is about to move out, Moore said. Although the inside is not totally complete, he anticipates that the kitchen there will be in use for the Meals on Wheels program by the end of this week.

Moore and commissioners talked about the possibility of rising water getting into the building. "We set our level above the state road; now the state has raised the road level," Moore said of the TxDOT work underway in front of the senior center.

Among the many projects under Moore's guidance other than road work and the senior center are replacement of windows in the 3-floor museum and renovation of an office in the courthouse for Michael Brown, the new assistant district attorney. Brown will have his office in Ozona and also serve Reagan and Sutton Counties. Commissioners voted to advertise for roll-off solid waste containers to be purchased with grant money already approved, okayed the necessary interlocal agreement with the Concho Valley Council of Governments for the grant project, and voted to sell by sealed bids items on a list of road department equipment presented by Moore.

The sole eligible bid for paving rock was submitted by CSA and accepted by the county. The rock will have to be hauled from northwest of San Angelo. If the county does all the hauling with its two trucks useable for the work, it will involve 90 trips each, 45 days straight, Moore said. He suggested using county equipment and also hiring another two trucks to help with the job.

Commissioners approved the chamber of commerce budget during a report by executive director Shelly Childress. Partial funding for the chamber comes from motel/hotel occupancy tax dollars, which are administered by the county.

These funds are down considerably from 1997, Mrs. Childress said. That year, the chamber received \$83,149.09, an amount which has declined to a projected \$50,000.00 for this year.

A portion of the occupancy tax money also goes to the museum each year.

Dates have been set for an economic development project to be held here according to Mrs. Childress. The

project will be a joint effort of the chamber, Crockett County Extension Service, the Texas Rural Development Council and Concho Valley Rural Development Council.

The resource team visit will include a community-based assessment, recommendations that address the community's specific issues and follow-up support. A town meeting will be part of the April 4-6 event.

Commissioners voted to approve co-sponsoring the project.

Mrs. Childress also mentioned that World Class Wrestling of San Angelo has inquired about using the convention center once a month and also giving workshops in Ozona.

Care center administrator Jim Bob Roddie reported that the care van broke down twice in a month's time with residents on board. The care center is required by Medicaid to have transportation available for the residents, and the van is used for transportation to San Angelo and Odessa for medical appointments as well as outings locally.

The care center received a grant in the amount of \$16,500.00 to go toward a new van, and Roddie was asked by the court to look at options and bring them back to the court.

There are currently 38 residents at the center.

Roddie discussed the search for a new director of nurses and other staff for the center. He suggested looking at restructuring the pay scale as a means of attracting the needed employees and gave examples of the pay scales of other such facilities in the area.

Librarian Louise Ledoux reported on upcoming events for the library, a safety survey conducted in the building and an increase in technology help soon to be available through the Big Country Library System out of Abilene.

Commissioners received written reports from the fire department and Helping Hands. In January, firemen responded to five grass fires, five motor vehicle accidents, two vehicle fires and two structure fires. They also conducted one investigation and one wash down. Meals on Wheels served 1075 meals in January.

Action was tabled on purchase of a generator for the communications tower used by the county. There was no action taken on an increase of the minimum rent for low income Section 8 HUD housing.

The court appointed Freddie Nicks and Judge Jeffrey Sutton as their representatives on the tax appraisal board. The school is represented by Marcus Sims, Wade Richardson and Billy Cunningham.

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in San Angelo. The grant is available through Governor Bush's reading initiative and provides reading staff development for primary and intermediate school teachers.

Ray Don Myers, school maintenance director, gave a report on school maintenance items, and Larry Harvey, district architect, gave a report on the renovation work being done at Ozona Middle School. Harvey said that only a few minor items remain before the renovation work has been completely finished. Duane McQueen, president of SunWest Construction Company, was at the meeting but did not make an appeal of liquidated damages proposed by the board of trustees at their January regular meeting and reported in the January 19 edition of The Stockman.

The trustees discussed the recent University Interscholastic League (UIL) realignment decision for the 2000-01 and 2001-02 school years that assigned Ozona to District 1-AA with Anthony, Tornillo, Van Horn, McCamey, and Big Lake; however, the consensus of the members was to not appeal the UIL's realignment decision.

The board approved one-year contract extensions for nine district personnel. Receiving these extensions were: Larry Taylor (superintendent of schools); Ted Cotton (assistant superintendent); Donny Wiley (high school

Davidson receives degree from A&M

Diplomas were awarded to approximately 3,500 Texas A&M University graduates during fall commencement ceremonies.

Among those receiving degrees was Travis Davidson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cuatro Davidson of Ozona. Travis earned a bachelor of science in agricultural economics.

Giles and Becky Madray spent a recent weekend with Mary and Corbett Smith and their family in Farmington, MO. Mr. Smith and Becky played a lot of music together, and he said that if Becky would stay and have a lesson every day, he might eventually teach her to be a good jazz flute player.

principal); Charles Floyd (middle school principal); Manley Holmes (intermediate school principal); David McWilliams (district counselor); Rod Miller (district technology coordinator and teacher); Kelly Glaze (band director and teacher); and, Dickie Faught (assistant athletic director, teacher, and head girls basketball coach).

Two-year contract extensions were approved for two district personnel, Bob Lacy (primary school principal) and Steve Taylor (athletic director, teacher, and head football coach).

With the board action, contracts for all of the above personnel, with the exception of Larry Taylor, now extend through the 2001-02 school year. Superintendent Taylor's contract extends through the 2002-03 school year.

The board also approved the employment of Mrs. Amy Moffatt as biology teacher in Ozona High School. Mrs. Moffatt is a December, 1998 graduate of Angelo State University and is currently employed at Angelo State University as a graduate assistant. J. B. Holtz, who is presently teaching biology, will return to his physical education teaching position. Mr. Holtz volunteered to teach biology this year due to the resignation in late July of Ron Mayberry. Mayberry resigned to become head girls basketball coach at Howard College in Big Spring.

The meeting was adjourned following an affirmative vote to set the date and time for the board's March regular meeting on March 21 at 7:00 p.m.

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Youngsters win in free throw contest

Girls and boys from Ozona advanced in the Knights of Columbus free throw district contest last Sunday in Sonora.

Placing first and earning trips to compete in Wall this weekend in the girls' divisions are: Megan McDaniel, age 11, 17 of 25 shots; Kerri Mendez, age 12, 17 of 25 shots; Hilary Huffman, age 13, 17 of 25 shots.

In the division for 10-year-olds, Frankie Skinner represented Ozona well, making 14 of 25 shots for second place. Brandi Williams tied for second in the age 14 group with 16 of 25 shots and received third place after the shootout.

Advancing for the boys were: Derek Wiley, age 12, with 20 of 25 shots; Ryan Wiley, age 13, 20 of 25 tie and 5 of 5 for the win; Vince Castro, age 14, 18 of 25 shots.

Levi Vargas took second place with 18 of 25 shots in the age 11 group. Ozona had no contestants in the

boys' age 10 division.

Rudy Martinez, Ozona's coach for the Sonora contest, expressed thanks to the local school district for their use of Davidson Gym for the council level contest and also thanked parents and friends of participants for their attendance at the two contests.

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STEFAN WILSON (second from right) is having a great time during the "Jump Rope for Heart" held in the primary school gym last Friday. Jumping with Stefan are OHS cheerleaders Kayla Turland (r) and Myda Fay. Turning the rope is cheerleader sponsor Gracie Delgado. Photo by Susan Calloway

Students raise \$ for research and education

Ozona Primary School had 112 students Pre-K to second grade participate in the Jump Rope for Heart on Friday, Feb. 11, to benefit the American Heart Association. The students raised more than \$4,000.00.

There are still a few students that haven't turned in money. This money is desperately needed for further cardiovascular research and educational programs.

These high school students came and turned a rope or jumped with the children: Ross Crawford, Matt Graner, Cade Clark, Dustin Shaffer, Kayla Turland, Juan Hernandez, Kenny

Vargas, Erin Castro, Codi Richardson, Miguel Rios, Ryan Bean, Michelle Gann, Myda Fay, Diane Ellison, Vanessa Hartman, Bobby Cervantez, Mason Wilkins, Kristi Avila, Colbey Crawford, Jessica Galan, and Travis Vordick.

Gracie Delgado contacted many parents to help and bring snacks. Jennifer Knapp's music class and Carolyn Taylor's P.E. class were combined so students were able to get in a lot of jumping. The highlight was the Double-Dutch, in which many second graders and the principal, Mr. Bob Lacy, showed their talent.



OZONA MIDDLE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL CHARLES FLOYD talks with board member Dr. Marcus Sims during open house February 10. Photo by Linda Moore

8th grade Cubettes end season with win

By Michelle Holtz
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

The eighth grade Cubettes hosted the eighth grade Wall Hawkettes Monday, Feb. 7, at the Becky Childress Memorial Gymnasium in their final game of the season. The Cubettes jumped into the lead early in the game, holding the Hawkettes to only four points while scoring eight.

The Hawkettes came back in the second quarter, outscoring the Cubettes by one, 3 to 2. However, the Cubettes maintained their lead 18 to 11 at the end of the first half.

The Hawkettes were held scoreless

in the third quarter with Ozona adding four points.

The Hawkettes outscored the Cubettes by one point, 5-4, in the final quarter, but the Hawkettes couldn't catch the Cubettes who clawed their way to win their final game of the season 18-13.

Ruth Cervantez led the Cubettes in scoring with 10 points followed by Rose Garza, Brandi Buchanan, Laura Pierce and Michelle Gandar who each contributed two points that led to the Cubettes victory.

Also playing were Brandi Williams, Bobbie Sue Bangeman and Jackie Rodriguez.

Their season record is 9-8.

JV Lions Whip JV Eagles

By Michelle Holtz
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

Ozona's junior varsity Lions took on the junior varsity Junction Eagles here Feb. 8 for a handy 63-30 win.

In the first quarter, the Lions held the Eagles to under five points while amassing 19 for themselves. Ozona continued to dominate the floor by outscoring the Eagles 15-9 in the second quarter for a 21 point first half lead, 34-13.

The Eagles tried to make their comeback in the second half, outscoring the Lions by two points in the third quarter 12-10.

But the Lions fired back in the final quarter, restraining the Eagles to only five points against Ozona's 19.

The Lions ran the floor well with 38 offensive rebounds and 33 defensive rebounds. Robert Ogle led in total re-

bounds with 13. G. L. Bunger had 10, Luis Cruz nine and Josh Tambunga eight rebounds.

The Lions had 24 steals and 27 assists.

Lalo Garza, Ricky "Scooby" Perez, Kyle Richardson and Abel Rodriguez each had three steals, and Garza and Quay Oglesby had five assists each. Bunger led the Lions in scoring with 12 points followed closely by Garza and Perez with 10 points each.

"This was a great game for the JV," said Coach Lynn Searcy. "Twelve players won this game. Twelve players scored, rebounded, had assists and steals. Our press hurt Junction. We executed our offense very well, as was evident from the scoring inside and outside."

Scorers: Bunger 12, Garza 10, Perez 10, Derek Faught 6, Tambunga 5, Kyle Richardson 5, Cruz 4, Hayse Worthington 4, Ogle 4, Oglesby 2, Rodriguez 1.

Eighth grade Cubs win final game

By Michelle Holtz
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

The eighth grade Cubs let loose in their final game of the season in Wall Feb. 7, knocking in 3-pointers.

Arron Garza had two of the 3-pointers and Ryan Wiley one in the first half in the first quarter. Bryan Skehan led the Cubs in scoring with 14 points in the game.

During the first quarter, the Cubs overpowered the Hawks by two points, 10-8. Garza led the Cubs with a 3-pointer, Jarryd Taylor had three points, Skehan and Ryan Wiley each scored two points.

The Cubs continued with a three point lead in the second quarter, 14-11. Skehan led the Cubs in scoring with four points, Garza and Wiley each knocked down a 3-pointer followed by Taylor and Brad Mayfield who shot two points each.

Skehan would be the only one to score any more points in the game as he made six points in the third quarter and two more in the final quarter of the game!

Scorers: Skehan 14, Garza 6, Taylor 5, Wiley 5, Mayfield 2; 3-pointers: Garza 2, Wiley 1; Season record 13-5

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In the first quarter, the Hawkettes jumped ahead of the Cubettes by three to outscore them 11-8. The Cubettes struggled to have good composure as the

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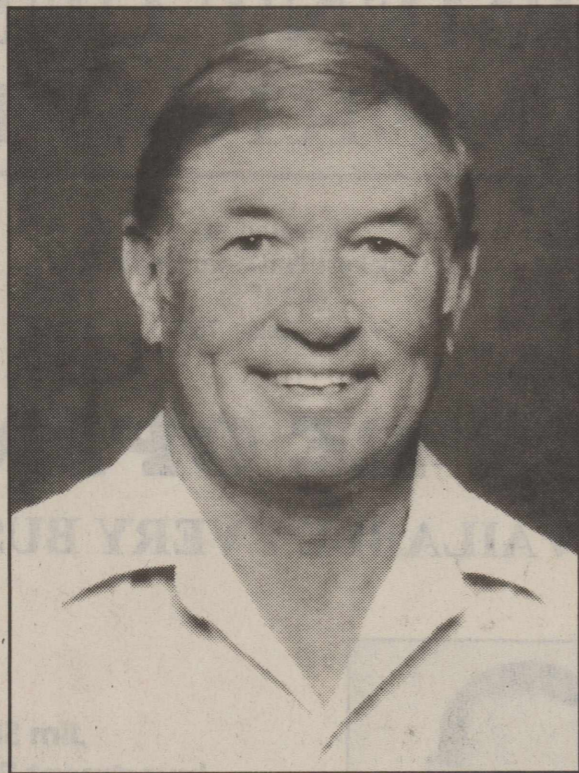
Hawkettes shut them down in the second quarter while raking in 11 more points to lead the Cubettes 22-8 and the end of the first half.

After the half, the Cubettes tried to make their way back but were unable to as the Hawkettes outscored them in the third quarter 6-3 and then shut down the Cubettes again in the final quarter to win 36-11.

Lead scorer for the Cubettes was Casey Ybarra with six points followed by Cecilia Garza with four, Kristen Bunger had two and Hilary Huffman had one.

Also playing for the Cubettes were Jenna Henderson, Kayla Johnson, Makinsey Morris, Britney Ramos and Taylor Oglesby. The Cubettes end their season with a 12-5 record.

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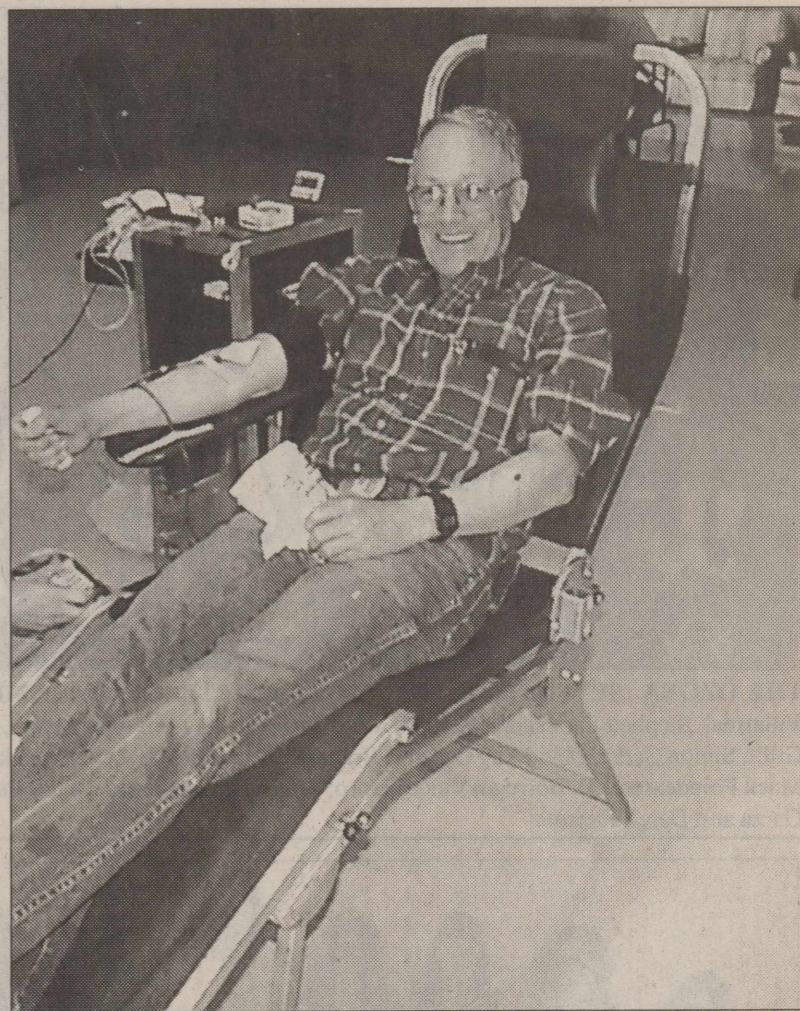
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MARGARET COATES is pictured at the United Blood Services blood drive last Thursday completing eight gallons of blood donated during her lifetime. Margaret remembers living in Oklahoma City the first time she gave and walking a considerable distance from her employment to the donation center. The first pint went so well, they let her donate a second pint. She then walked back and worked the rest of the day. Thank you Margaret, for your years of dedicated contributions. *Photo by Scotty Moore*



DANA MORAN AND JULIA HENDERSON (r.) present a valentine pillow to care center resident Jo Richardson. The pillows were constructed by 4-H sewing class members grades 3-5. *Photo by Susan Calloway*



ERBY CHANDLER is all smiles as he makes his contribution to the United Blood Services blood drive held last Thursday at the civic center. All volunteers were given the option of earmarking their donations for Eddie Jones, Vance Worthington's brother-in-law, who is awaiting a bone marrow transplant.

Jose, Emily favorite names for booming number of babies in 1998

Texas residents had more babies in 1998 than in any other year since births were first recorded in the state in 1903, according to the Bureau of Vital Statistics at the Texas Department of Health (TDH). And those 342,199 infants were more likely to be called Jose if a boy and Emily if a girl than by any other names.

These two names lead the list of the 10 most popular names for all Texas children born in 1998, the last year for which complete statistics are available. And those names will likely be around for a while. Overall life expectancy for a baby born in Texas in 1998 was 76.5 years. A male infant born that year could expect to live 73.5 years while a female infant's life expectancy was 79.5 years. Also, females had a higher life expectancy than male infants in all racial and ethnic groups.

Jose also heads the list of most popular boy names for Hispanic infants, with Jennifer the favorite for Hispanic girls. Both names were favored in 1997 as well. For African-American babies, the names Jordan and Jasmine were most often selected; for Anglo children, Jacob and Hannah, again the same as in 1997. The list is tabulated using the exact spelling of infant names listed on birth certificates.

The previous year, Jose also headed the favorite male list, while Ashley was at the top for all girls, followed by Emily at number two.

The top 10 most popular names for all male babies born to Texas residents in 1998 were: Jose, Jacob, Michael, Christopher, Joshua, Matthew, David, Brandon, Jonathan and Daniel.

The most popular names for Hispanic boys included: Jose, Juan, Luis, Jonathan, Jesus, Daniel, David, Christopher, Michael and Carlos.

Leading the list of popular names for African-American babies is Jordan followed by Joshua, Christopher, Michael, Cameron, Anthony and Brandon in sixth place, Christian, Darius, Isaiah and James.

Top 10 names for Anglo boys were: Jacob, Matthew, Michael, Joshua, William, Christopher, Austin, Tyler, James and Zachary.

Making up the top 10 name choices for all girl babies born to

Texas residents in 1998 in their order of popularity are: Emily, Ashley, Alexis, Samantha, Sarah, Victoria, Hannah, Jessica, Jennifer and Madison.

Leading the list for Hispanic baby girls is Jennifer followed by Samantha, Ashley, Victoria, Maria, Alexis, Stephanie, Jessica, Alyssa and Vanessa.

Favorite names for African-American baby girls led with Jasmine followed by Alexis, Taylor, Destiny, Brianna, Ashley, Kayla, Brittany, Jada and Diamond.

The most popular names for Anglo baby girls were: Hannah, Emily, Madison, Sarah, Taylor, Lauren, Ashley, Alexis, Elizabeth and Samantha.

The Anglo categories includes other and unknown race/ethnicity.



MR. AND MRS. GLEN SUTTON were chosen as Valentine King and Queen at the care center valentine party Feb. 14. *Photo by Susan Calloway*

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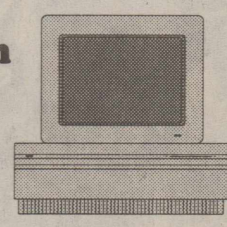
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THE OZONA SEVENTH GRADE CUBETTES BASKETBALL TEAM MEMBERS are: (front row, l. to r.) Makinsey Morris, Britney Ramos, Kristin Bunger, April Vargas and Casey Cervantez. Middle row: Heather Price, Jasmine Rodriguez, Amber Batura, Jenna Henderson, Kayla Johnson, Heather Ybarra, Becky Tambunga and Cyn Gann. Back row: Taylor Oglesby, Hilary Huffman, Cecilia Garza, Casey Ybarra, Coach Rodney Johnson, Tara Ellis, Bianca Aiguier, Penny Stewart and Kristina Vasquez.

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THE OZONA EIGHTH GRADE CUBS BASKETBALL TEAM MEMBERS are: (back row, l. to r.) Ryan Wiley, Ryan Pearl, Jarryd Taylor, Abel Martinez, Bryan Skehan, Brad Mayfield, Chris Martinez, Arron Garza and Clay Hale. Front row: Stephen Humphrey, Kris Gray, Tyson Vordick, Jake Stewart, Jimmy Ybarra, Jonathan Hernandez, Thomas Morrow and Aaron Espino.

Photo by Cameras Two

'B' Seventh Grade Cubs end basketball season

The seventh grade "B" Cubs ended their basketball season Feb. 7 in Wall with a 12 to 15 loss and a 4-6 season record. The "B" team plays two 7-minute quarters.

In the first quarter, both teams made six points. Scoring for the Cubs with two points each were: Jeffery Gillit, Aaron Renfro and Paarth Raj.

The Hawks took a 3-point lead in the second quarter to win 15-12. Taking turns contributing two points each for the Lions were: Paarth Raj, Brandon Payne and R. J. Villarreal.

Also playing for Ozona were: Justin Gibson, Stephen Lara, Michael Jenkins, David Casarez, Simon Garza and Mac Fred.

'B' Eighth Grade Cubs win final game 11-8

By Michelle Holtz
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

The eighth grade Cubs "B" team traveled to Wall Monday, Feb. 7, to take on the eighth grade Wall Hawks' "B" Team in their final game of the season.

Aaron Espino led the Cubs in scoring in the first quarter with three points, and Jake Stewart followed with two points as the Cubs jumped out in the

lead over the Hawks 5-2. The Hawks came back to tie the score in the second and final quarter of the game 6-6 as the Cubs raced past the Hawks to win the game 11-8.

Scoring in the second quarter were Tyson Vordick with three, Thomas Morrow with two and Stephen Humphrey with one point. The Cubs are 4 and 2 for the season.

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March 28	*Wall	There	5:00 p.m.
March 31	*Sonora	Here	5:00 p.m.
April 4	*Eldorado	Here	5:00 p.m.
April 7	OPEN		
April 11	*Junction	Here	5:00 p.m.
April 14	OPEN/District Track Meet		
April 15	Big Lake	There (DH)	1:00 p.m.
April 18	*Wall	Here	5:00 p.m.
April 21	*Sonora	There	5:00 p.m.
April 25	*Eldorado	There	5:00 p.m.

Seventh Grade Cubs win final game

By Michelle Holtz
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

The Seventh Grade Cubs ended their near perfect season with a victory in Wall last week Ozona took the win 42 to 20, upping their season record to 15-2.

The Cubs were on fire, throwing up shot after shot to outscore the Hawks and hold them from scoring more than five points in the first quarter. Leading the Cubs to a 16-4 first quarter finish were J. D. Borrego with eight points followed by Ruben Talamantez with seven, including a sweet 3-pointer, and Vince Castro who added one more point from the free throw line.

In the next seven minutes, the Hawks would get up some speed and pass by the Cubs for eight points while holding Ozona to a total of four points scored evenly by Doug Duncan and Toby Pagan. At the end of the first quarter, the Cubs were still in the lead by

eight points, 20 to 12. Wall saw their comeback after halftime, shutting the Hawks down and allowing them to only score four points while raking in a nice 15 points. Borrego again led the Cubs in scoring with eight points followed by Michael Garza with four, Pagan with two and Duncan who added one point from the free throw line. The Cubs continued to upset and frustrate the Hawks as they finished with seven points to the Hawks' four in the last quarter of the game.

Talamantez sank a 3-pointers while Duncan and Jared Bird each had two points.

Others playing for the Cubs were Mack Poindexter, Glen Conner, Derek Fierro and Eliseo Treto.

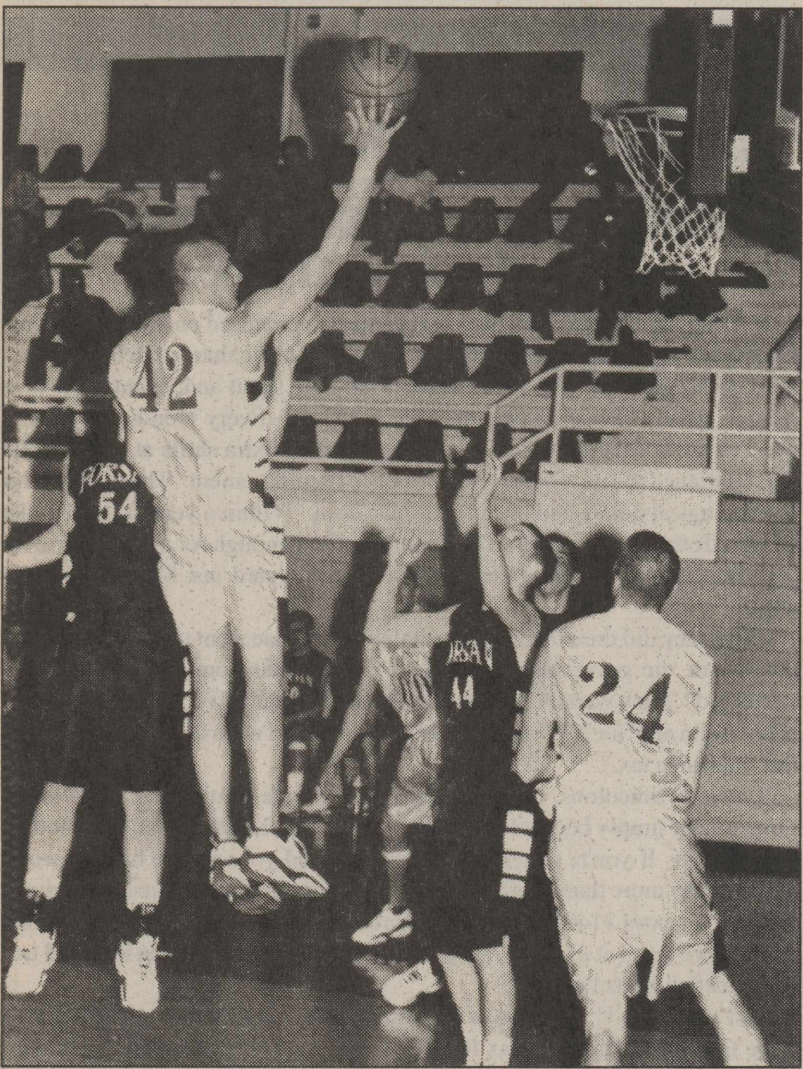
Score by Quarters:
Cubs 16 4 15 7 42
Hawks 4 8 4 4 20

Scorers: Borrego 16, Talamantez 10, Duncan 5, Garza 4, Pagan 4, Bird 2, Castro 3-pointers: Talamantez 2; Season Record: 15-2

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BOBBY CERVANTEZ GOES UP FOR TWO of the 15 points he scored in the Ozona Lions 62-44 victory over Junction last Friday.

Photo by Stephen Zuberbueller

Lions take Forsan Buffaloes by storm

By Michelle Holtz
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

The Ozona Lions took the Forsan Buffaloes by storm Feb. 11 nailing four 3-pointers and raining 22 2-pointers to win the game 62-44. As a team, the Lions had a total of 45 rebounds to the Buffaloes; 23 total rebounds.

Dustin Faught was working all over the floor as he led the Lions in scoring with 17 points, 15 total rebounds, six steals, two assists, two blocks and 10 second chance points. An awesome performance by Faught Friday night.

Bobby Cervantez also had a great night scoring 15 points, four total rebounds, one of one free throws, making two steals, two assists and two blocks.

Cole Wadsworth and Randall Borrego also had a great game. Stepping up a notch was Wadsworth scoring nine points and having five total rebounds, one steal and one block. Borrego had seven points, four total rebounds, four steals, six assists and two second chance points.

In the first quarter, both teams scored 11 points. Making the baskets for the Lions were Faught with four points, Wadsworth with three and Borrego and Ryan Bean each added two points.

The Lions dealt the Buffaloes misery in the next eight minutes, outscoring them by four points 17-13 for a 28-24 lead at the end of the first half.

Faught scored seven points including a 3-pointer in the second quarter followed by Cervantez with four points and Garcia, Seth Webster and Borrego each putting in two points.

After the half, the Lions continued to storm past the Buffaloes, scoring 20 points while holding Forsan to under seven points. The Lions flooded the Buffaloes with three 3-pointers and a half dozen other points in the third quarter.

Cervantez led the Lions in scoring nine points, including two 3-pointers, Faught had four points, Borrego sank a three, and Garcia and Webster each con-

tributed two more.

The Lions led the Buffaloes by 18 points going into the final eight minutes of the game. Forsan tried to come back and tied the Lions in fourth quarter scoring with 14 points.

Ozona rained the Buffaloes out and sealed their 14th season game win and their seventh district win. Scoring in the final quarter for the Lions were Wadsworth with six points, Ross Crawford with four, Faught and Cervantez each with two points.

Coach Steve Osborn celebrated this win at the truck stop with coaches, friends and the team after the game. This was Coach Osborn's 200th career win.

Cole Wadsworth spoke on behalf of his fellow teammates when he said, "We are glad and proud to have the chance to be a part of his 200th career win."

A cake was served at the celebration for Coach Osborn and the Mighty Lions.

"I am really proud of the way that the guys came out after the half," Coach Osborn said. "They were focused and played together well. This team can be very good when we play our tempo and attack aggressively on both ends of the court."

"A win at Sonora (Feb. 15) will secure a second place spot for the Lions in district. If we lose, we will be tied with Sonora and will probably flip for seedings."

The boys will play a practice game Friday, Feb. 18, at 4:00 p.m. at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum in Big Spring prior to the girls' game.

"Our bi-district game will be Monday or Tuesday the 21st or 22nd against Anthony or Tornillo, said Coach Osborn."

Score by Quarters:
Lions 11 17 20 14 62
Buffaloes 11 13 6 14 44

Scorers: Faught 17, Cervantez 15, Wadsworth 9, Borrego 7, Garcia 4, Crawford 4, Webster 4, Ryan Bean 2; 3-pointers Cervantez 2, Borrego 1, Faught 1; Season Record 14-10; District Record 7-2

Ozona tennis team does well at tourney

By Michelle Holtz
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

The Ozona High School tennis team competed in the West Texas High School Tennis Championships in San Angelo.

In the boys' "B" singles, Lion Shayne Albers advanced to the semi-finals held at Central High. Albers won his first game against Brian Royal of Lake View 6-0, 6-0. Albers then beat Buddy Greer of Eldorado 6-0, 3-6, 6-0. Brad Brazell of Abilene Wylie defeated Albers in the semi-final match 6-3, 6-0.

Tim Batura lost in the first round match in boys' "B" singles, also held at Central, as Sean Breed of Abilene Wylie beat him 6-4, 6-3. Batura won his first round in the consolation bracket, beating Stevie Fuentes of Sanderson 6-3, 6-2. Batura then took on Austin Sheen of Central High who beat him 6-0, 6-1 in the second round of the consolation bracket.

In boys' "B" doubles, Lions Jason Davis and Robert Quiroz won their first match against Martinez/Lightfoot of Wall 6-0, 6-1. Davis/Quiroz then went on to win their second round match, beating Noel/Sullivan of Sanderson 6-1, 6-1. In the third round match against Hawkins/Chopra of Monahans, Davis/Quiroz fell 6-0, 6-1. The matches were played at Lake View High School.

In the girls' "B" singles division, Lady Lion Sophie Bangeman won her first match against Samantha Palacio of Mason 6-1, 6-1. Bangeman was beaten by Jennifer Wilkings in the next round 6-3, 6-0.

Lady Lions Lupita Quiroz com-

peted in the tournament, also losing her first match to Jessica Bruns of Central 6-1, 6-4. Quiroz won her first consolation game against Laah of Brownwood 8-6 and defeated Hoffman of Wall 8-2. However Quiroz was beaten in the next round 6-0, 6-1 by Osborne of Glenn 6-2, 6-3.

Lady Lion Cara Green took on Erin Welch of Glenn, winning the match 6-2, 6-2. Green went on to beat Erika Galindo of Crane 2-6, 6-4, 6-1. Green was beaten by Ashley Hughes of Grape Creek 6-2, 6-0. Quiroz and Green competed at Bentwood Community College.

In the girls' "B" doubles games which were held at ASU Hill Courts, Lady Lions Melonie Bullard and Michelle Cunningham lost their first match against McBride/Ramirez of Glenn 6-0, 6-1 and were then beaten again in their first consolation bracket against Sefeik/Johnson of Wall 8-2.

Lady Lions Staci Sutton and Leslie Flores won their first match 6-3, 6-3 against Morgan and Jackson of Big Lake. They were beaten in the following round by Morgan/Jackson of Big Lake.

"This was a great tournament in which to kick off our tennis season," said Coach Rick Bachman. "It always provides excellent opportunities for our players to get tough tournament experience early in the season."

"I am proud of the overall performance of our team as this is probably the largest and toughest tournament we will go to this year."

The Lions and Lady Lions will compete next week in the Lake View Invitational.

Senior Ladies end district with roses

By Michelle Holtz
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

The Lady Lions presented roses to their senior teammates before their last game played in Davidson Gym Feb. 8.

The senior Lady Lions and their parents recognized were: Kelli Anne "Monkey" Goble, daughter of Kelly and Susan Goble; Kelli Osborn, daughter of Steve and Joy Osborn; Diana "Duck" Ellison, daughter of Betty Valencia; Michelle Gann, daughter of Daniel and Mary Jo Gann;

Penny Weddle, daughter of Jackie Pauley; Ammie Perez, daughter of Juan and Francis Avila; and Kayla Turland, daughter of B. T. and Karla Turland.

The team ended the evening in possession of the district championship trophy before a jubilant crowd of fans after defeating the girls from Junction 73-27.

"The girls deserve to win district," said Coach Dickie Faught as he praised his team for their efforts all year. This is the fifth district championship in six years for the Lady Lions.

Lions beat Junction Eagles

By Michelle Holtz
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

The Ozona Lions took on and defeated the Junction Eagles Tuesday night, Feb. 8, at Davidson Gymnasium.

Ozona beat the Eagles earlier this year by eight points, 50-42, on Jan. 17 in Junction. The Eagles had home court advantage, but still could not make it happen as the Lions tore past them.

The Eagles wanted to beat the Lions Tuesday night, but while Eagle tempers flared, the Lions stayed calm, cool and collected, thoroughly frustrating the Junction players who got two technical fouls in the game.

The Lions hit five 3-pointers with two by Juan Garcia and one each by Ross Crawford, Dustin Faught and Bobby Cervantez.

Faught did a great job covering the floor with eight total rebounds, four assists, three blocked shots and one steal. Faught also scored 16 points for the Lions.

Bobby Cervantez led the Lions in scoring with 17 points. He also had five rebounds, three assists and three steals.

The Lions were right where they needed to be to rebound the ball. As a team they had 36 total rebounds.

Cole Wadsworth did a great job rebounding three offensively and four defensively followed by Ryan Bean, Lance Unger and Randall Borrego each with four total rebounds.

In the first quarter, the Eagles outscored the Lions by four points, 16-12. Scoring for the Lions were Garcia with a 3-pointer, Cervantez with three points and Crawford, Borrego and Faught each adding two points.

The Lions continued to fight their way back before the end of the half, hit-

ting a series of four 3-pointers with nothing but net.

Scoring for Ozona in the second quarter were Cervantez with seven points including a 3-pointer, Garcia with five points including a three, Faught with four points including a three, Crawford sinking a three and Cole Wadsworth with one free throw.

The Eagles led the Lions by six at the half, 38-32. The Lions came storming back onto the floor in the third quarter to finish "TCB", Taking Care of Business, and beat the Eagles. Ozona outscored Junction by two points in the third quarter 12 to 10. Faught had five points, including three free throw points, Garcia, Crawford and Cervantez each added two points, and Seth Webster hit a free throw point to move the Lions on their way to another victory over the Junction Eagles.

In the final quarter, the Eagles received two technicals. Randall Borrego shot two free throws on one Eagle technical, making one, and Seth Webster shot two, making one for the Lions.

Ozona ultimately won the game, overpowering the Eagles with good composure and some awesome Lion basketball. Ozona outscored Junction 18-11 in the final quarter to beat the Eagles by three points, 62-59.

Scoring in the final quarter were Cervantez with five, Faught with five, Wadsworth with four, Borrego had three and Webster added one point to win the game.

Score by Quarters:
Lions 12 20 12 18 62
Eagles 16 22 10 11 59
Scorers: Cervantez 17, Faught 16, Garcia 10, Crawford 7, Borrego 5, Wadsworth 5, Webster 2; 3-pointers: Garcia 2, Faught 1, Cervantez 1, Crawford 1; Season Record 13-10; District Record 6-2

JV Ladies take out JV Lady Eagles

By Michelle Holtz
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

The junior varsity Lady Lions hosted the junior varsity Junction Lady Eagles at Davidson Gymnasium on Tuesday, Feb. 8, in their final game of the season.

The Lady Lions whipped it into shape as they controlled the court and restrained the Lady Eagles to only two points while putting up 10. Scoring in the first quarter for the Lady Lions were Jessica Herring and Claressa Tambunga with four points each followed by Joyce Caldera with two points.

The next seven minutes before the end of the first half, the Lady Eagles tried to get back in the game, but the Lady Lions continued to dominate the floor, outscoring Junction 10-7. Scoring in the second quarter for the Lady Lions were Bekah Cowen with a 3-pointer, Herring, Lana Stewart and Tammy Alvarez each landed two points, and Caldera made one free throw.

After the half it was apparent that the Lady Eagles were frustrated that the

Lady Lions were pounding them all the way out of the game. Ozona picked up 17 more points in the third while they stuffed the Lady Eagles, allowing no points to be scored.

Colbey Crawford stepped up and put away five points, including one 3-pointer. Tambunga and Jordan Webster each scored four points, and Herring and Cowen added two more points for the Lady Lions in the third quarter.

In the final eight minutes of the game, Lady Lions Lana Stewart was right on target as she nailed seven points, including one 3-pointer. Kimber Bean also drilled a 3-pointer, and Alvarez followed up with two points as the Lady Lions sealed their final victory of the year, beating the Lady Eagles 49 to 14.

Other Lady Lions playing were Myda Fay and Amenda Poindexter.

Score by Quarters:
Lady Lions 10 10 17 12 49
Lady Eagles 2 7 0 5 14
Scorers: Stewart 9, Herring 8, Tambunga 8, Crawford 5, Cowen 5, Alvarez 4, Webster 4, Bean 3, Caldera 2; 3-pointers: Stewart 1, Crawford 1, Bean 1; Season Record 17-7; District Record 5-4

JV Forsan Buffaloes slip by JV Lions

By Michelle Holtz
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

The JV Lions hosted the JV Forsan Buffaloes at Davidson Gym Feb. 11 in a game the Lions would lose by one point, 54 to 53.

In their first quarter, the Lions overpowered the Buffaloes, outscoring them by nine, 17-8. The Buffaloes would keep up within five points of the Lions for the rest of the game.

Ozona had edged three points more than the Buffaloes 13-10 at the end of the first half for a score of 30-18, Lions.

The Buffaloes began to close in on the Lions in the third quarter, outscoring Ozona for the first time in the game 13-8.

High school tennis teams ready to play

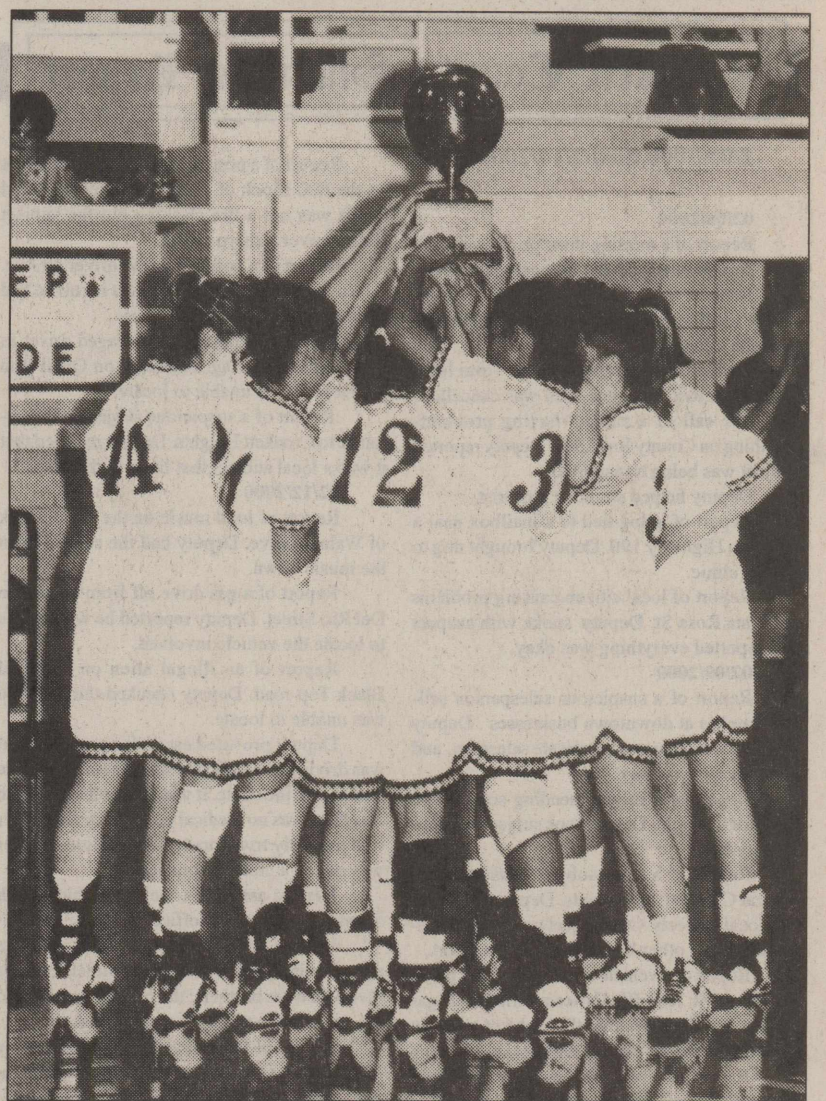
By Michelle Holtz
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The Ozona Lions and Lady Lions OHS tennis teams consist of the following student athletes.

Ladies: Sophie Bangman, Erica Birkenfeld, Melanie Bullard, Michelle Camarillo, Chelsea Collett, Kelly Cunningham, Teri Duncan, Leslie Flores, Jessica Galan, Kelli Ann Goble, Cara Green, Valencia Hartman, Kelli McNeely, Michelle Necessary, Lupita Quiroz, Regan Shaw, Kayla Shurley,

Lana Stewart, Staci Sutton, Kristen Tambunga, Scarlett Taylor, Angela Tucker, Katie Parker, Lori Rivas and Teresa Perez.

Playing for the Lions are: Shane Albers, Tim Batura, Randal Borrego, Bobby Cervantez, Jason Davis, Tripp Farris, Derek Faught, Dustin Faught, Chad Flanagan, Juan Garcia, Casey Jamerson, Robert Ogle, Robert Quiroz, Ty Porter, Zeke Rivera, Abel Rodriguez, Josh Tambunga, I. J. Villarreal, Jorge Aranda, James Swearingen and Ramon Trujillo.



THE OZONA LADY LIONS lift their trophy high in the air in jubilant celebration of their district championship. The Lady Lions have a season record of 28-2 going into the playoffs. They will take on the winner between Seagraves and Sundown in area competition in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum in Big Spring on Friday, Feb. 18 at 6:00 p.m.

Photo by Stephen Zuberbueller

Ladies win practice game

By Michelle Holtz
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The Lady Lions were in Rankin Saturday to take on the Midland Greenwood Lady Rangerettes in a practice game before Ozona takes to the playoff trail and hopefully the state championship.

Midland Greenwood is a Class 3A school. They had some really big and tall girls, but nothing could compare to the awesome Lady Lion who hit an incredible five threes. Kelli Anne "Monkey" Goble wasn't monkeying around as she put up her best personal 3-pointer record of five threes, all in the first half of the game.

Also sinking a three pointer in the basket during the first half of the game was Kelli Osborn.

Covering the floor well in total rebounds were Millie Wadsworth with four followed closely by Codi Richardson with three. "Monkey" led the Lady Lions in steals with four followed by Michelle Gann with two.

In the first quarter, the Lady Lions overpowered and outscored the Lady Rangerettes by 10 points, 20-10. "Monkey" led the Lady Lions in scoring with 11 points, including three 3-pointers, "Duck" had four, Osborn had a 3-pointer, and Codi Richardson had two points.

The Lady Lions then restrained the Lady Rangerettes to only eight points while racking up 16.

"Monkey" again led the Lady Lions with eight points, including two threes, and Michelle Gann, "Duck", Wadsworth, Terri Duncan and Ammie Perez each added two points.

The Lady Lions led the Lady Rangerettes at the half 36-18.

Each team scored nine points in the third quarter. "Duck" had four, "Monkey" three and Wadsworth added two points.

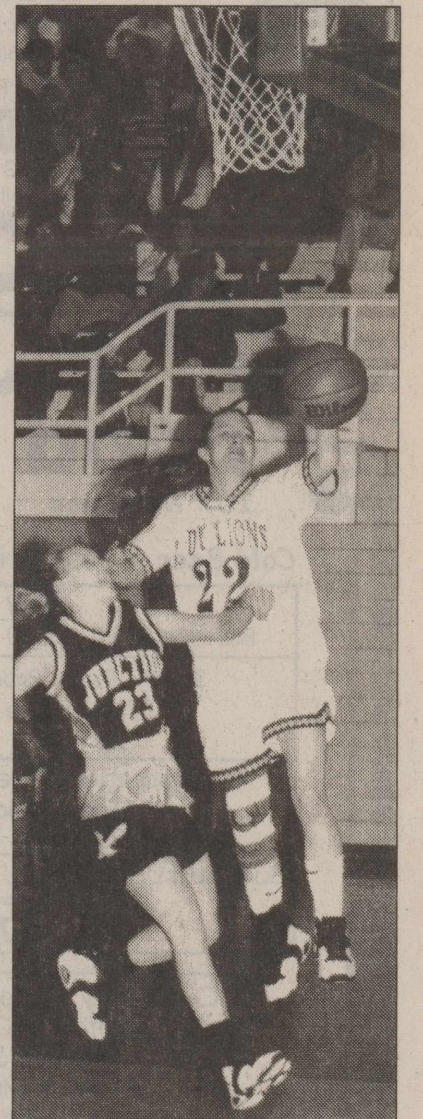
The Lady Rangerettes made a gallant effort to come back and they outscored the Lady Lions by eight points, 14-6.

Osborn, Gann and Weddle each scored two points in the final quarter.

Ozona won the game 51-41. The Lady Lions will compete in

area Friday, Feb. 18, at 6:00 p.m. in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum in Big Spring. They will play the winner of the Seagraves and Sundown game.

Score by Quarters:
Lady Lions 20 16 9 6 51
Lady Rangerettes 10 8 9 14 41
Scorers: Monkey 22, Duck 10, Osborn 5, Gann 4, Wadsworth 4, Duncan 2, Weddle 2, Richardson 2; 3-pointers - Monkey 5, Osborn 1; Season Record 28-2



PENNY WEDDLE draws a foul as she attempts a shot against Junction last Friday. Weddle made the free throw and contributed five points to the 73-27 annihilation of the Lady Eagles. Photo by Stephen Zuberbueller

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

All lunches served with your choice of white or chocolate milk

REGULAR

Feb. 21 - Lasagna, Salad, Peach Slices, Slice of Bread
Feb. 22 - Ham & Cheese Sandwich, Burger Salad, Tator Tots, Fruit
Feb. 23 - Barbecue on Bun, Pork 'N' Beans, French Fries, Cookie
Feb. 24 - Frito Pie, Ranch Style Beans, Salad, Slice of Bread
Feb. 25 - Salisbury Steak, Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Fruit Cocktail, Rolls

FAST FOOD

Feb. 21 - Pizza, Salad, Peach Slices
Feb. 22 - Sloppy Joe on Bun, Veg. Salad, Tator Tots, Fruit
Feb. 23 - Hamburger, Burger Salad, French Fries, Cookie
Feb. 24 - Barbecue on Bun, Ranch Style Beans, Tator Tots
Feb. 25 - Cheeseburger, Burger Salad, Tator Tots, Rolls

BREAKFAST

All breakfasts are served with milk, juice, muffin, toast and jelly. You may have your choice of one of the following items each day. You may buy extra items for 25¢ each.

Feb. 21 - Beef & Bean Burrito or Cold Cereal
Feb. 22 - Sausage & Biscuit or Cream of Wheat
Feb. 23 - Sausage & Egg Burrito or Cold Cereal
Feb. 24 - French Toast or Cold Cereal
Feb. 25 - Chorizo & Egg Burrito or Cold Cereal

Crockett County Sheriff's Report

2/08/2000 thru 2/14/2000

02/08/2000
Report of a missing juvenile. Deputy and DPS Trooper were unable to locate juvenile.
Request for assistance with vehicle problem at local apartments. Deputy assisted citizen with vehicle.
Report of a courtesy transfer from local care center to a residence. Call was cancelled.
911 call of a subject having problems breathing on County Road 301. Deputy reported subject was being transported.
Deputy helped stranded motorist.
Report of a dog tied to a mailbox near a ranch on Highway 190. Deputy brought dog to animal clinic.
Report of local citizen causing problems on Santa Rosa St. Deputy spoke with suspect and reported everything was okay.

02/09/2000
Report of a suspicious salesperson selling watches at downtown businesses. Deputy reported subject was a wholesale salesman, and everything was okay.
Report of a subject needing somewhere to go for the night. Deputy took subject to Pecos County line.
Report of a male subject causing problems at Crockett Apartments. Deputies arrested two local subjects. One subject was causing disturbance, the other had outstanding warrant.
Report of a vehicle running over gas meter on Walnut St. Sheriff's Office notified local gas station and they reported that subject who ran over meter would pay for damage done.
Report of a stranded motorist on Highway 163. Deputy was unable to locate stranded motorist.
02/10/2000
Deputy assisted with traffic control at a vehicle rollover on Highway 190.
Report of a small lamb that fell off a trailer at the truck stop. Subject at the truck stop gave the lamb to another person in a red pickup.
Report of loud music at the 300 block of Piedra Street. Deputy had the subject turn the music down.
02/11/2000
Report of a 911 call from a residence on County Road 208. Deputy and EMS unit searched the residence where call originated from and reported there was no one in area.

Report of a possible tire slashing incident on the 600 Block of Ave. D. Deputy reported that it was not a tire slashing but the subject had run over a sharp object.
Report of a possible drunk driver on Ave. J. Deputy reported that the subject involved had already made it to his residence.
Report of a possible underaged driver in white pickup driving recklessly on Quail Run Dr. Deputy was unable to locate.
Report of a suspicious subject at the entrance to Crockett Heights. Deputy reported that it was a local subject that lived in the area.

02/12/2000
Report of loud music on the 1700 Block of Walnut Drive. Deputy had the subject turn the music down.
Report of a gas drive off from a store on Del Rio Street. Deputy reported he was unable to locate the vehicle involved.
Report of an illegal alien on Mitchell Black Top road. Deputy checked the area and was unable to locate.
Deputy provided escort for a vehicle that was driving at a high rate speed needing to take a subject to the clinic. It was determined at clinic that there was no medical emergency and driver was probably trying to avoid a citation. Driver was issued a citation for speeding.
Deputy assisted a welfare subject with assistance at the DPS office.
Deputy responded to a fight in progress at a wedding party on Martinez Street. Persons involved were brothers; the bridegroom injured his ankle while trying to stop the fight.
Report of two suspicious subjects at the high school. Deputy reported seeing two juveniles who ran from area, and were not found.
Report of a vehicle that hit a gas pump at a local gas station. on 14th Street. DPS Trooper worked the accident.
02/13/2000
Report of a suspicious vehicle at a store on Ave. E. Deputy checked out the vehicle. All okay.
Deputy assisted an EMS unit on a call to the 300 Block of 11th Street in reference to a female subject that had fallen and needed assistance.
Deputy met with a complainant on the 100 Block of Llano Street in reference to damage done to a pickup.
Report of a gas drive off from a store on

14th Street. Deputy and DPS trooper located the subject involved. The subject returned and paid for the gas.
Report of an illegal alien in a vehicle on Hwy 163 South. The subject was taken to the Sheriff's Office and picked up by the Border Patrol.
02/14/2000
Deputy met with a complainant in reference to property being taken from a vehicle at a wrecker service yard on Highway 163 South.
Deputy met with a complainant on the 100 Block of Ave. K in reference to a dog being shot.
Deputy met with a complainant at a store on 14th Street in reference to a harassment complaint.
Report of a possible family assault on the 1200 Block of Pecan Street. Deputy reported that everything was okay. The subjects had worked things out themselves.

ARREST REPORT 2/08/2000 thru 2/14/2000

02/08/2000 Leffler, Louis Thomas, age 40, of Iraan was transported by Sheriff's Deputy from Pecos County to Crockett County on a charge of motion for adjudication of guilt / burglary of a habitation. Leffler was released after posting bond.
02/09/2000 Flores, Mario Alfonso, age 24, of Ozona was arrested by Sheriff's Deputy on a warrant out of Tom Green County on a charge of driving while license suspended. Flores was picked up by Tom Green County Officers and transferred to San Angelo.
02/09/2000 Flores, Albert Reyes, age 21, of Ozona was arrested by Sheriff's Deputy on a charge of public intoxication. Flores was released after serving his time in jail.

02/09/2000 Heinz, Carey Alfred, age 49, of Louisiana was arrested by Sheriff's Deputy on a charge of driving while intoxicated. Heinz was released after posting a bond.
02/12/2000 Abendroth, Richard Lance, age 29, of Monahans was arrested by a DPS Trooper on a charge of public intoxication. Abendroth was released after paying a fine.
02/12/2000 Yates, Richard Lee, age 36, of Sonora was arrested by a DPS Trooper on a Crockett County Warrant charging no liability insurance and no license plate and violate promise to appear. Yates was released after serving his time in jail.
02/12/2000 Lopez, Gaspar Dominguez, age 40, of California was arrested by a DPS Trooper on a charge of unlawful possession of firearm by felon. He was released after posting bond.
01/12/2000 Lozano, Romulo Arturo, age 21, of Ozona was arrested by Sheriff's Deputy on a charge of public intoxication. Lozano was released after serving his time in county jail.
01/13/2000 Roberts, Gary L, age 49, of Cost was arrested by a DPS Trooper on a warrant out of Guadalupe County on a charge of theft by check. Roberts was released after posting a bond.

OFFENSE REPORT 2/08/2000 thru 2/14/2000

There were no offense reports for this reporting period.

Groff takes reins of Mohair Council

Jack Groff of Kerrville was elected president of the Mohair Council of America at its annual membership meeting in San Angelo Jan. 20. Other officers elected at that time include: Jesse Lockhart of Barksdale, vice president; and Pierce Miller of San Angelo, secretary/treasurer.
Joe David Ross of Sonora was presented with the Mohair Council Award for Uniformity and Lanny Leinweber of Mountain Home was honored as the outgoing president of the council.
More than 75 mohair producers and industry leaders attended the meeting. Updates were given on all on-going projects of the council, including the Dove Creek Collection, and line of outerwear designed to utilize adult mohair in fashion, and the Atelier Carpet project, a joint venture between the Mohair Council and Atelier Carpets of Atlanta, GA, to create and market mohair carpeting. Updates were also given on research projects dealing with mohair and angora goats.
The membership meeting included district caucuses to elect new council directors. Those elected as directors of the Mohair Council for the

year 2000 include: District 1 - Pierce Miller, San Angelo; Scott Mitchell, Sanderson; District 2 - Tuffy Whitehead and Gary Leonard, Del Rio; Bill Zuberbuehler, Comstock; District 3 - Gwynne Lundgren, Menard; Charles Ray Pfluger, Christoval; Bill Tullos, San Angelo; District 4 - Jimmy Cahill, Ben Epps, Jimmy Holman, Edward Earwood, Ben Ingham, Sonora; District 5 - Gene Graham, Fred L. Speck, Tooter Shanklin, Allen Stieler, Rocksprings; Jesse Lockhart, Barksdale; District 6 - Connie Dittmar, Fredericksburg; Fritz Kuebel, Blanco; Bill Whitworth, Sisterdale; Tommy Reeh, Doss; Robin Giles, Comfort; Jack Groff, Kerrville; District 7 - Lewis Bratton, Rochelle; Janet Willmann, Mason; Willie Ray Willmann, Mason; District 8 - Troy Duncan, Lometa; Jule Richmond, Blanket; Joe Riley, Brownwood; John Clifton, Goldthwaite; District 9 - Bill Diert, Mountain Home; Mac Gilliat, Leakey; Hayden Haby, Brackettville; Lanny Leinweber, Mountain Home; Jimmy Bader, Brackettville; Ervin Willard, Uvalde; District 10 - Dee Hadorn, Harrah, OK; Bennett Mitchell, Ashland, MO.

WEEKLY REPORT

Congressman
Henry Bonilla

23rd District, Texas

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An immoral tax

John and Sue Rogers (not their real names) got married on Valentine's Day. They were young and, like most Americans, had their share of debt. But they were determined to work hard, watch what they spent and, eventually, save enough money to buy a home and start a family. Every month, they found ways to put a little money aside. John picked up extra shifts at work, while Sue continued to run a beauty parlor out of their basement. They spent a lot of evenings at home, and ate a lot of macaroni. Within a year, it looked like all the effort was paying off. The couple had just enough for a down payment on a blue house in a quiet neighborhood, with a yard just big enough for a dog.
Then, they did their taxes. Immediately, the house went up in smoke. As it turned out, the government wanted an extra \$1300 from them. Why, they wondered? They weren't making more than the year before. The only difference? John and Sue had become man and wife, and were now getting hit with the "marriage tax."
It sounds ridiculous, the very idea that a couple should owe more to the government simply because they vow to love, honor, and cherish one another. But it's true. If you're married, and both you and your spouse have to work, you will pay more than another couple that's not married. The average couple will pay an extra \$1400 a year just because they're married, because married couples are taxed at a higher rate than unmarried couples. It's an immoral tax. It's a tax that hurts families.

Last week, the U.S. House of Representatives passed a bill to end the marriage tax. The "Marriage Tax Penalty Relief Act of 2000" doesn't give married couples special treatment. It gives them fair treatment, taxing them at the same rate as unmarried couples. Right now, a married couple living together gets a \$7350 standard deduction on their taxes. An unmarried couple living together gets \$8800. This bill allows married couples to take the \$8800 deduction as well.

The White House has already promised to veto this bill. There are a lot of men and women in Washington right now working to see that the marriage tax is banished from IRS books forever. But there are a lot of people who want to keep it. Now's the time to speak up. Write the president. Tell him the marriage tax is unfair. Urge him to sign this bill in to law when Congress sends it to him. If enough Americans write, he'll have no choice but to listen.

Texas Oil & Gas News

The Railroad Commission of Texas issued a total of 730 original drilling permits in January compared to 536 in January 1999. The January total included 541 permits to drill new oil and gas wells, 32 to re-enter existing well bores, and 157 for re-completions.
Permits issued in January included 248 oil, 172 gas, 293 oil and gas, 15 injection and two other permits.
In January, operators reported 229 oil, 349 gas, 19 injection and two other completions, compared to 132 oil, 315 gas, 13 injection and two other completions during the same month of last year.
Total well completions for 2000 year to date is 599 up from 462 recorded during the same period in 1999.
Operators reported 391 holes plugged and 102 dry holes in January compared to 700 plugged and 79 dry holes during the same period last year.
Texas preliminary November 1999 crude oil production averaged 1,091,543 barrels daily, down from the 1,174,587 barrels daily average of November 1998.
The preliminary Texas crude oil production figure for November 1999 is 32,746,280 barrels, a decrease from 35,237,624 barrels reported during November 1998.
Texas oil and gas wells produced 432,536,045 Mcf (thousand cubic feet) of gas based upon preliminary production figures November 1999, down from the November 1998 preliminary gas production total of 444,010,898 Mcf.
Crockett County was ranked eighth in the state for the period with production of 10,665,180 Mcf.
Texas production in November came from 143,800 oil and 52,626 gas wells.

Producers Livestock Auction Co Report

San Angelo, TX
Cattle and Calf Auction:

Close and Weekly:
Estimated Receipts: 2500; Last Week: 1895; Last Year: 3144;

Compared with last week feeder steers and heifers steady, instances 2.00 higher. Slaughter cows and slaughter bulls 1.00-2.00 lower. Stock cows and pairs firm. Trading active, demand good. Quality average to mostly plain. Supply included 70 percent calves, 15 percent slaughter cows and heifers, 10 percent stock cows and pairs, 5 percent yearlings; of the feeders: 50 percent were steers and 50 percent heifers.

Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1 200-300 lb 122.00-132.00; 300-400 lb 109.00-120.00, few 123.00-128.00; 400-500 lb 100.00-113.00, few 114.00-117.00; 500-600 lb 92.00-100.00, few 102.00-103.00; 600-700 lb 82.50-93.00; 700-800 lb 79.00-81.00, few 83.00-84.00.

Medium and Large 1-2: 200-300 lb 111.00-122.00; 300-400 lb 101.00-109.00; 400-500 lb 87.00-101.00; 500-600 lb 80.00-87.00; 600-700 lb few 76.00-80.00; 700-900 lb few 69.00-77.00.

Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1 300-400 lb 95.00-108.00; 400-500 lb 90.00-99.00, few 100.00-103.00; 500-600 lb 82.00-90.00, few 91.00-94.00; 600-700 lb 83.00-87.00, few 88.00-89.00; 700-800 lb few 76.00-79.00.

Medium and Large 1-2: 300-400 lb few 89.00-92.00; 400-500 lb 80.00-90.00; 500-600 lb few 79.50-81.00; 600-700 lb few 71.00-79.00.

Slaughter Cows:

Percent Lean	Weight	Price
Breakers	75-80% 1000-1530 lb	36.00-40.50
Bones	80-85% 1000-1340 lb	38.00-41.50
Lean	85-90% 700-1300 lb	32.00-37.00

Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1 1400-2200 lb 46.00-50.00, hi-dressing 51.50-55.00, low-dressing 1000-1700 lb 40.00-46.00.

Pregnancy Tested Stock Cows and Heifers: All sold by the head.
Medium and Large 1-2 590.00-680.00.
Medium 1-2 380.00-580.00.

Cow/Calf Pairs: All sold Per Pair:
Medium and Large 1-2 cows with 100-300 lb calves 690.00-750.00.
Medium 1-2 cows with 100-300 lb calves 540.00-680.00.

Stockers and Feeder Cows:
Medium and Large 1-2 (young) 800-1000 lb 58.00-68.00 cwt; (young and middle age) 800-1000 lb 45.00-54.00 cwt; (middle age) 750-1050 lb 34.50-43.00 cwt.

Sheep Auction:

Close and Weekly:
Wed Feb 09, 2000
Estimated receipts for today: 4000;
Estimated receipts for the week: 12700; Last week: 8387;
Last year: 9400;

Compared with last week, slaughter lambs weak. Slaughter ewes 2.00-4.00 higher. Feeder lambs steady. Trading active, demand good. Quality average. Supply included 45 percent slaughter ewes, 15 percent slaughter lambs, 5 percent feeder lambs, balance goats.

Slaughter Lambs:
Choice 2-3 shorn and woolled 110-125 lb 67.00-76.00, few 77.00-81.00; 125-175 lb 62.00-70.00.

Slaughter Ewes:
Good and Choice 2-4 44.00-52.00, few 50.00-55.00; Utility and Good 1-3 44.00-54.00, few 55.00-59.00; Utility 1-2 44.00-50.00; Cull and Utility 1-2 33.00-44.00.

Slaughter Bucks:
42.00-55.00, few 58.00-65.00.

Feeder Lamb:
Medium and Large 1-2 60-90 lb 87.50-89.00.
New Crop 60-95 lb 92.00-109.00, few 112.00.

Replacement Ewes: Medium and Large 1-2.
Baby tooth ewes 68.00-79.00 per head, solid mouth ewes 54.00 per head.

Goats:
Slaughter - Meat Goats:
Billsies: 90-135 lb 74.00-140.00 per head
Nannies: 70-120 lb 55.00-65.00 cwt; thin 50-90 lb 49.00-55.00 cwt
Kids and Yearlings: Choice and Prime 40-80 lb 96.00-108.00 cwt; 90-105 lb 79.00-81.00 cwt, few 86.00 cwt.
Choice 40-80 lb 80.00-96.00 cwt; Good 40-80 lb 70.00-80.00 cwt.
Angora: Choice 50-100 lb 52.50-61.00 cwt.

Source: USDA-Texas Dept of Ag Market News, San Angelo, TX

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Permian Basin Weekly Rig & Drilling Summary

(Districts 7C, 8, 8A & New Mexico)

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4 BEDROOM HOMES

122 Country Club - Beautiful tile living areas, atrium, 3 baths, lg. garage, a must to see. **\$124,000.**

Quail Run - Living, dining, den, beautifully landscaped, fenced yard. New paint and carpet. **\$110,000.**

37 Crockett Heights - 2 living areas, dining, remodeled kitchen, sequestered master, gazebo and fenced yard. Creative Financing. **\$55,000.**

2 & 3 BEDROOM HOMES

1108 Ave. D - New carpet, hardwood floors, living, dining, den/gameroom, basement, must to see!! **\$84,500.**

511 Oakridge - 3 bdrms, new roof, hilltop location. **UNDER CONTRACT \$75,000.**

111 Ave. E - Master has FP and glass doors to landscaped backyard. Lots of storage and office. **PRICE REDUCED \$69,900.**

201 Ave. K - Cedar and brick exterior, living, den w/FP, fenced corner lot, carport, shop. **\$72,000.**

110 Fairview - Seller will pay 3% of buyers closing cost. **\$70,000.**

604 Ave. F - 2 story, living w/FP, lots of storage, fenced yard. **\$65,000.**

100 Live Oak - Large corner lot, hardwood floors, storage, 2 car carport, RV parking. **\$65,000.**

#41 Crockett Heights - Good plan, extra lot, storage, fence. **\$45,000.**

1306 Couch - Gameroom/office, shop, RV parking, appliances stay including washer and dryer. **\$45,000.**

502 Circle Drive - 3 bdrms., 2 ba., new roof, hilltop location. **\$45,000.**

204 Ave. K - Good starter home, fenced yard, nice area. **\$36,000.**

201 Cedar - Metal roof, 2 living, dining, C/H air, fenced yard. **UNDER CONTRACT \$34,000.**

112 Mesquite - Hardwood floors, fenced yard, central heat. **\$32,000.**

1003 11th St. - 2 bdrms., 1 ba., lg. living, kitchen and utility. **\$30,000.**

104 Ave. L - 3 bdr., 2 ba., lg. living, kitchen and utility. **UNDER CONTRACT \$30,000.**

#22 Crockett Heights - Large living, 1 car garage, fenced yard. **\$29,500.**

#42 Crockett Heights - 2 living, dining, C/H air, fenced yard. **\$29,500.**

#33 Crockett Heights - Central heat, fenced yard, garage. **\$22,000.**

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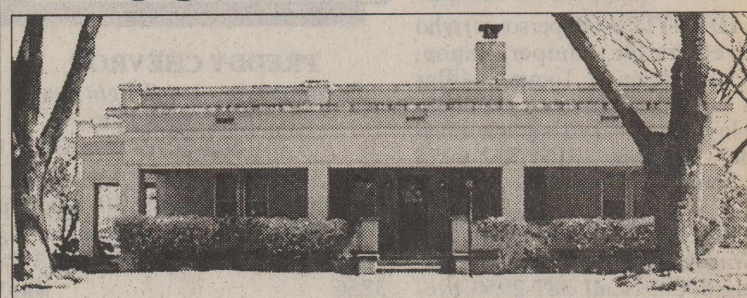
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Plans and specifications, including minimum wage rates as provided by Law, are available for inspection at the office of Roy Dill, Area Engineer, Ft. Stockton, Texas, and at the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, Texas. Bidding proposals are to be requested from the Construction Division, 200 East Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas 78704-1205. Plans are available through commercial printers in Austin, Texas, at the expense of the bidder.

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