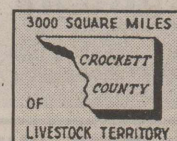




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## 68 graduates receive diplomas at OHS graduation Friday

By Gerri Azam  
STOCKMAN REPORTER

Friday evening May 23, 2003 Ozona High School held their commencement ceremony at Lion Stadium. The stands were filled with family and community members as the 68 graduates received their diplomas, marking the successful completion of four years of high school study.

The graduating seniors of 2003 were: Zachary Webb, Koby Fenton, Laken Villareal, Dianna Perez, Michelle Necessary, Myda Fay, Derek Faught, George Bunger, Catherine Tambunga, Ramon Trujillo, Ariana Lira, Rogelio Estrada, Logan English, Regan Shaw, Chase Clark, James Stokes, Katy Churchill, Colbey Crawford, Olga Talamantez, Erik Bachman, Sandra Barrera, Melanie Bullard, Chelsea Collett, Rebekah Cowen, Tyrell Crotwell, Kelly Cunningham, Ashley DeHoyos, Mayra Fernandez, Erika Fierro, Minerva Flores, Saul Flores, Jessica Galan, Ida Gallardo, Lyzette Garcia, Lalo Garza, Ashley Gonzales, Diane Hays, Victor Hernandez, Joe Thomas Lara, John Ray Luna, Matt Maness, Maira Martinez, Patricia Martinez, Stephen Maskill, Luis Mata, Zachary Medley, Russell

Miller, Jonathon Munoz, Robert Ogle, Quay Oglesby, Eloisa Ortiz, Katie Parker, Dominique Perez, Romeo Perez, Amenda Poindexter, Maria Quiroz, Laura Reyes, Jaclyn Rodriguez, Carlos Salazar, Rogelio Sanchez, Michael Savala, Andrew Shaffer, Kim Swearingen, Jacob Tambunga, Johnny Tambunga, Kenny Tobar, Rigo Treto, and Lindsey Wilson.

The graduates and the crowd were addressed by Scott Hickman, a 1953 graduate of Ozona High School.

Since his graduation 50 years ago, Mr. Hickman has gone on to become successful in many areas. Just a few of his accomplishments include receiving a bachelor's degree from Texas Tech University in petroleum engineering, and later receiving a master's degree. He has written more than 12 books and has been a member of more than 30 prominent committees with professional affiliations. He currently resides in Midland.

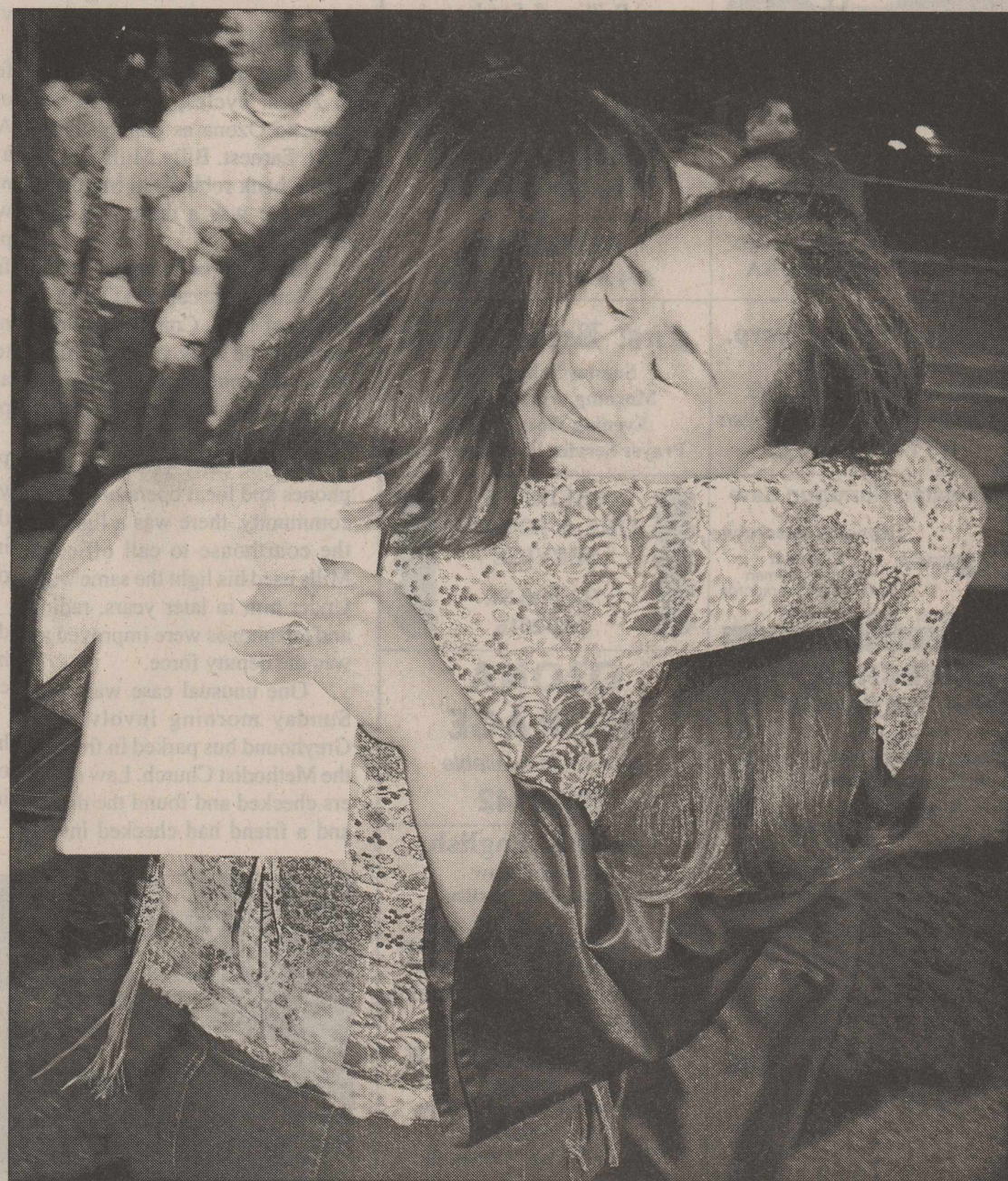
Mr. Hickman offered some sound advice to the graduates. Asking them to look at life in a way that will benefit them, he encouraged them to "Learn who you are!" And he ended his speech by reciting the Serenity Prayer, "God

grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and wisdom to know the difference."

After the address by Mr. Hickman, the magna cum laude and cum laude students were recognized. The cum laude graduates are those that completed their studies with a grade point average of 6.00 to 6.99.

The magna cum laude graduates earned a 7.00 grade point or above. Students graduating cum laude were: Olga Talamantez with a 6.0, Colbey Crawford with a 6.038, Katy Churchill with a 6.06, James Stokes with a 6.078, Chase Clark with a 6.268, Regan Shaw with a 6.273, Logan English with a 6.36, Rogelio Estrada with a 6.396, Ariana Lira with a 6.40, Raymon Trujillo with a 6.429, Paige Tambunga with a 6.46, G.L. Bunger with a 6.472, Derek Faught with a 6.481, Myda Fay with a 6.833, Michelle Necessary with a 6.917, Dianna Perez with a 6.925. Graduates receiving magna cum laude honors included: Laken Villareal with a 7.0, Koby Fenton with a 7.167, and Zach Webb with a 7.833.

The valedictorian for the Class of 2003 was Zachary Webb. Koby Fenton was the 2003 salutatorian.



A JOYFUL HUG FOR THE GRADUATE, MINERVA FLORES, at commencement exercises Friday, May 23.

DigiCam Photo by Scotty Moore

## Ruben Pena-Alfaro retires after 30

Thirty years, an entire teaching career in one school system, is not something many can claim. Ruben Pena-Alfaro, history and world geography teacher at Ozona High School, retires with just that - 30 years of teaching, all in Ozona, instructing on all four campuses.

"Every year I was going to leave, but I never did. Thirty years later I'm still leaving, but this time it's for real," said Mr. P.A. as he is known. "I've always thought the fact that I worked at all levels has helped me start all over again. I'm pretty fortunate at that."

He came to Ozona in 1970 after his discharge from the Army and continued his education at Angelo State University to become a teacher while working as an aide at Ozona Primary School. He also taught at the elementary school and began teaching social studies in junior high before joining the high school faculty where he has taught the longest.

Mr. Pena-Alfaro believes that students must be excited about their subject and works to get them as involved and interested as he is. "No matter where I go, I run into someone I had in my classes. E-mails from former students say, 'I don't remember any of my other teachers, but I remember you.'"

Having parents tell him they don't know what he has done to their child, but "all they want to talk about at home is history" is one of the positive rewards of teaching, he says.

"It seems like it (beginning teaching) was just yesterday. I guess it's just a matter of enjoyment." Much of his enjoyment of teaching and the ability to pass this on to his students comes from certain of his college professors. They kept classes enjoyable and made them something to look forward to. He put some of their techniques into his teaching, and the enjoyment his students received from their studies was an inspiration, Mr.

Pena-Alfaro said.

"Ozona has a real good school system as far as I am concerned. I've worked with a lot of good people. Mr. Wiley has made a tremendous difference. I give him credit for making the high school what it is today. His handling of discipline problems makes it easier for the teachers. The school needs someone who will take on discipline problems that develop. Every day is a new challenge.

"People here are really good people, friendly. I have enjoyed it," he said of his time in Ozona. "I had students that I'm now teaching their children. When they (current students) ask if I taught their parents, I always say no, but they know I did."

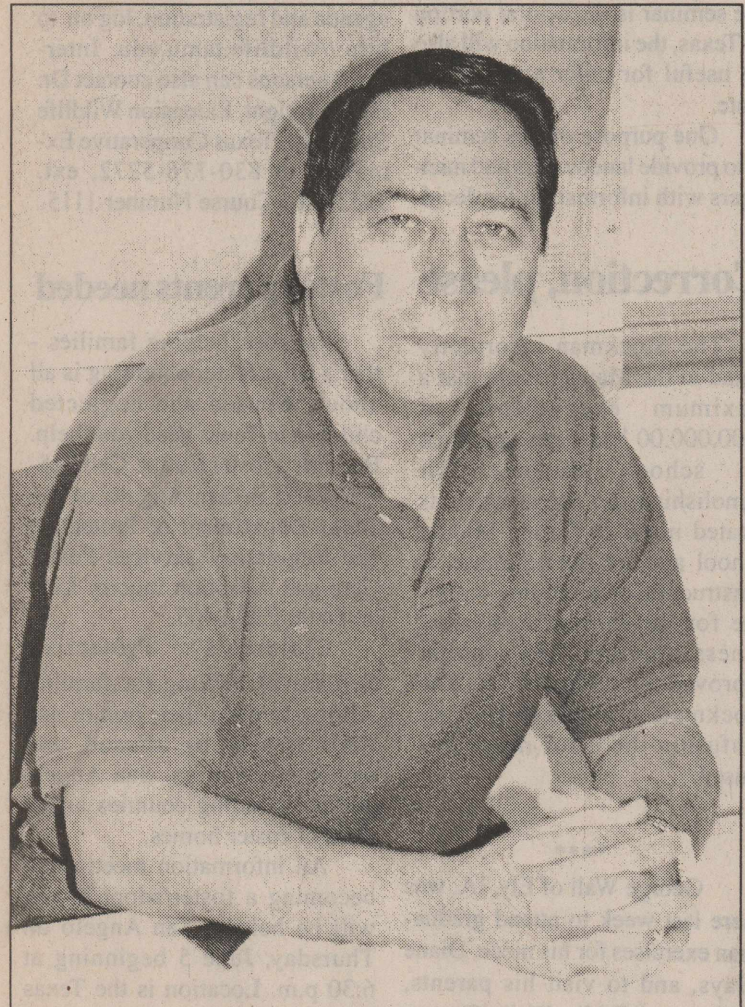
Mr. Pena-Alfaro finds himself in a "very confused situation," he says. "I don't know how to retire. I've never done it before." At some point, he knows he will go back to work, but for now he plans to return to his hometown of Marfa and work on his mother's house. "During that time, I'll think about what I want to do."

When he returned to Marfa from Viet Nam, everything was still there - his mother, brothers and sisters. "I'm going back to Marfa from a different point of view. I was in Viet Nam just a year, but it felt like forever."

Time in the Army made his education, which includes a bachelor of science and two master's degrees, one in education/history and the other in administration, possible. "I couldn't have gotten my education without the G.I. Bill," Mr. Pena-Alfaro said. He sees military service as a way for students to get an education.

His three children would like to have him near them in the San Antonio-Austin area. The elder daughter, Sylvia, recently earned her doctorate of jurisprudence at St. Mary's University. She has an undergraduate degree in English from the University of Texas. Gloria also earned a degree in English at UT, and Lando will receive his degree in engineering at UT in December.

"I'm very proud of my kids," said Mr. Pena-Alfaro.



RUBEN PENNA-ALFARO

As in the past, many local scholarships were awarded. The First Baptist Scholarships of \$750 were given to Derek Faught, Logan English, Michelle Necessary, Paige Tambunga, and Regan Shaw. The Alpha Alpha Mu \$500 scholarship was awarded to Michelle Necessary. The Ozona Knights of Columbus gave three \$500 scholarships to Patricia Martinez, Paige Tambunga, and Ashley DeHoyos. The \$1000 Beta Sigma Phi Scholarship was given to Michelle Necessary. Laken Villareal and Regan Shaw each received \$250 scholarships in memory of former Crockett County Youth Center members. Michelle Necessary was awarded the scholarship from the Masonic Lodge. Ozona National Bank gave the Wayne West/Lowell Littleton Memorial Scholarship to Koby Fenton. Three \$1000 scholarships were awarded in memory of Mildred North and J. A. Pelt and were given to Koby Fenton, Paige Tambunga, and Michelle Necessary. The Ozona's Women's Forum awarded Chase Clark with a \$500 scholarship. The Women's Forum Best Citizenship Award was presented to Bekah Cowen. The Lion's Club gave Chase Clark a \$1000 scholarship. Jessica Galan and Paige Tambunga were awarded \$500 scholarships from the Guadalupanas. The Ozona United Methodist Church honored

Wilson Stokes with a \$1000 scholarship. The Knights of Columbus presented \$500 scholarships to Patricia Martinez, Paige Tambunga and Ashley DeHoyos. Two scholarships in memory of Becky Childress were awarded to Colbey Crawford and Dianna Perez. The Jose Borrego Memorial Scholarship was given to Paige Tambunga. Emerald Underground Water Conservation District gave Chase Clark and Katy Churchill \$1000 scholarships. Zach Medley received the Charlotte Phillips Award.

Katy Churchill received the Crockett County 4H Fair Board's scholarship of \$4000. The Justin Brown Memorial Scholarship was given to Chase Clark and Colbey Crawford. A \$500 scholarship was awarded to Paige Tambunga from Ozona Country Club. Andrew Shaffer was presented with a Certificate of Enlistment from the U.S. Army and a check reserving \$32,400 for Andrew to attend the college of his choice. The AdTEX Company Scholarship was awarded to Paige Tambunga. Howard College's Drama department presented Rebekah Cowen with a scholarship for drama.

Prior to the presentation of diplomas, it was mentioned by OHS Principal Donnie Wiley that graduate Sandra Barrera had not missed a day of school since kindergarten.

## Faught to play in Centex All-Star Games

Derek Faught has been selected to participate in the Eighth Annual Centex All-Star Games to be held July 20 at Mary-Hardin Baylor University in Belton.

The games were created to reward and recognize graduated high school seniors for their efforts in the classroom and their devotion to basketball. Players were primarily selected via recommendations from their coaches with a heavy emphasis placed on positive attitudes and great work ethics. Derek will be playing against other outstanding all-stars from all over Texas.

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## Sumer school begins June 2

Summer school in Ozona Public Schools will be held June 2 through June 27 for grades one through 12. Classes are from 4:00 a.m. until noon at the intermediate school.

If you would like to have your child attend and he or she has not been registered for summer school, you may do so on the first day of classes.



A HEAVY THUNDERSTORM Sunday night brought down this large pecan tree between the Avenue E homes of Esequiel Cervantes and Chad Poindexter. Additional rain Monday night contributed to a good soaking across the county. Some areas to the west received 4 to 5 inches.

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# Crockett County History

"This is the way it was"  
 By Oscar Kost

Crockett County Sheriffs

Billy Mills served longer than any other sheriff, 31 years, or if in 2-year cycles, 30 years. He came to Ozona as deputy under V. O. Earnest. Billy Mills was in on the bank robbery in March of 1954. He was a deputy at that time.

Mills was born June 6, 1927, in Coleman. He came to Ozona in March of 1951. Communications radios in the early years of Mills' terms were not much. He ordered a large red light placed on top of the court house.

In the early years of crank phones and local operators in the community, there was a light on the courthouse to call officers. Mills used his light the same way. Under him in later years, radios and telephones were improved as was the deputy force.

One unusual case was on a Sunday morning involving a Greyhound bus parked in front of the Methodist Church. Law officers checked and found the driver and a friend had checked into a motel. They stole the bus in Nashville, TN.

In another case, a bus driver found a body beside the road west of Ozona. The man had been shot. After checking around, they found a girl in a motel who had been kidnapped. She and her boyfriend were hitchhiking, and the two men picked them up. They shot her friend and threw the body out.

The suspects were stopped near Balmorhea and brought back to Ozona where they confessed and were sentenced to 99 years in prison.

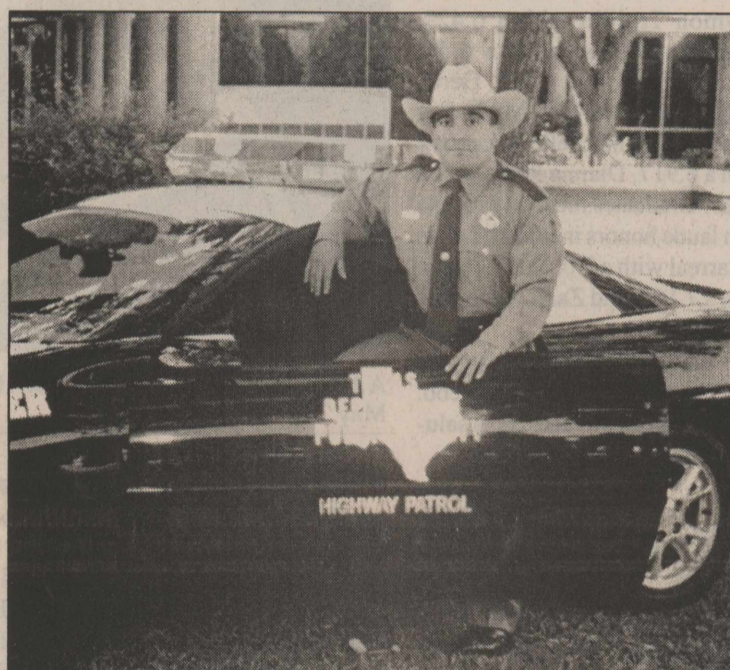
One time Deputy Levon Parker stopped a Cadillac with young people inside. It was found that they had kidnapped a woman in San Antonio and killed her. The officers were always on the alert.

Mills improved the sheriff's department, and the county now has deputies around the clock with cars, radios and all equipment.

Shane Fenton is serving on his second term. He has, as the others, improved law enforcement in Crockett County.

See you, Oscar

LOUISE S. RIOS graduated from the Texas Department of Public Safety's training academy.



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## DPS trooper graduates

Louise S. Rios of Del Rio graduated April 25 from the Texas Department of Public Safety's training academy. The 27-week school is the longest continuous training academy offered by any law enforcement agency in Texas.

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# News Reel

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JUNE 14, 1973 their summer home in Creede, CO.

**News Reel**  
 Dedication of an official Texas Historical Marker designating Emerald as the first townsite in Crockett County, 1889, will be held Tuesday afternoon, June 26 at 3:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the civic center.

**News Reel**  
 Tragedy was averted Friday night when an alert pilot spotted motorcyclists on the landing strip at the Crockett County airport and pulled his plane up, barely missing two youngsters on motor bikes.

**News Reel**  
 Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Lott attended funeral services in Selmer, TN, June 9 for Mrs. Lott's brother, Lowell Jones.

**News Reel**  
 Marine Pfc. Jesse G. Ortiz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Salomon Hernandez of Ozona, was meritoriously promoted to his present rank upon graduation from basic training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot.

## NEWS REEL

JUNE 22, 1944

**News Reel**  
 Five persons were injured in a freak truck-auto accident on Lancaster Hill west of Ozona at mid-morning Saturday.

**News Reel**  
 Judge A. O. Fields, Justice of the Peace, recently completed an advanced twenty-hour in-service Justice of the Peace training course.

**News Reel**  
 Shelley Jones is spending this month as junior counselor at Prude Ranch at Fort Davis. She is also teaching horsemanship.

**News Reel**  
 Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Miller have returned from a vacation spent at

## Wildlife big business in Central Texas

With a decline in agricultural profits and a changing landowner base, many landowners in Central Texas are seeking alternatives to traditional agricultural enterprises. Enterprises based on hunting are considered with increasing interest from many landowners. At an upcoming seminar, landowners will have an opportunity to explore some of the trends and opportunities for developing wildlife-related businesses.

On June 4, 2003, a seminar, entitled "Wildlife Business Development Strategies" will be held at the Coke Stevenson Center in Junction. This seminar, sponsored by the Texas Leadership Institute, Texas Cooperative Extension, Texas Parks & Wildlife, the Lower Colorado River Authority and Texas Tech University, will include an expert group of wildlife entrepreneurs from throughout the state. While the focus of the seminar is the central portion of Texas, the information will also be useful for other areas of the state.

One purpose of this seminar is to provide landowners and managers with information for deciding if a wildlife-related enterprise is something that would fit their land resources and ownership goals. An additional objective of this seminar is to provide information useful for enhancing existing wildlife enterprises. An added bonus from this event is the opportunity to interact with a variety of professional wildlife biologists and experienced managers. A selection of commercial vendors will also have displays of the newest products and technologies for managing wildlife-related enterprises.

Registration for the seminar is \$50.00 in advance and \$65.00 at the door. Early registration for trade show booths is \$85.00, which includes one registration. Late registration for trade show booths is \$100.00 after May 26. All registrations include materials, refreshments and a catered lunch.

For more information on the agenda and registration, log on to <http://wildlife.tamu.edu>. Interested persons can also contact Dr. Byron Wright, Extension Wildlife Specialist, Texas Cooperative Extension at 830-776-5272, ext. 3252. TLI Course Number 1115.

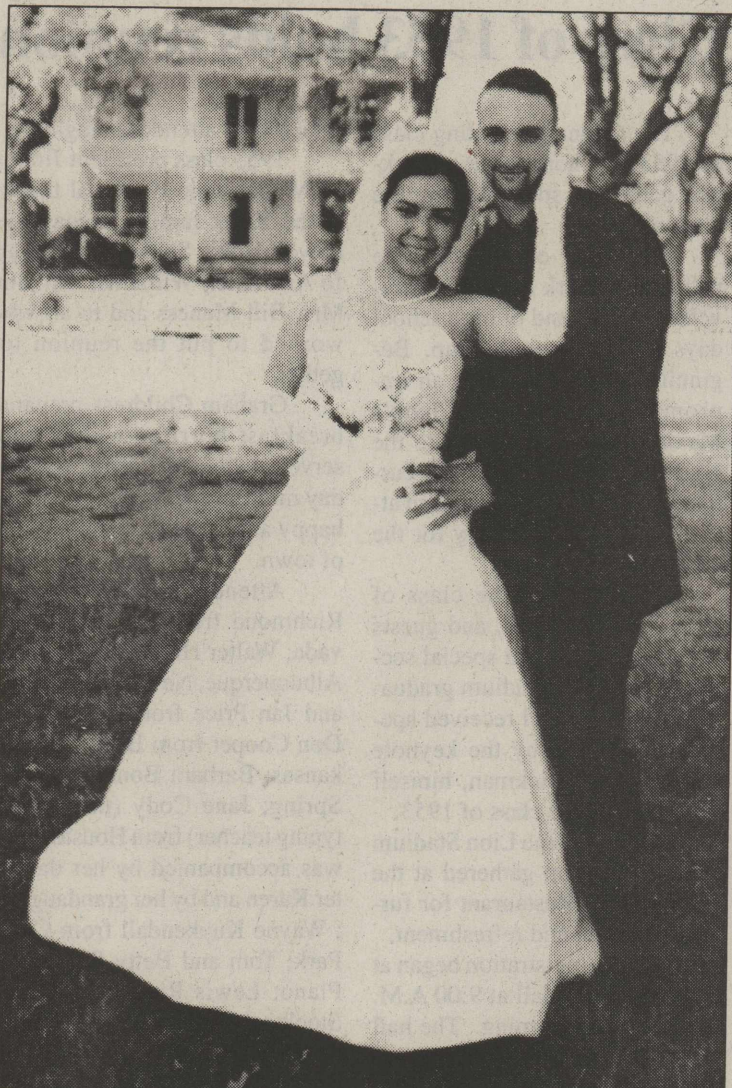
## Correction, please Foster parents needed

The Stockman incorrectly stated in the May 21 issue that a maximum expenditure of \$600,000.00 had been approved by school trustees for demolishing the old apartments located north of Ozona Middle School and for the purchase or construction of a building on this site for the district's physical fitness program. The amount approved was \$60,000.00. The Stockman apologizes for any confusion the error may have caused.

**Correction, please**  
 Families helping families - that's what foster parenting is all about. Abused and neglected children in Texas need your help. Become a foster parent. Call 325-657-7400 in San Angelo or the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services Foster Care and Adoption Inquiry Line at 1-800-233-3405.

Children's Protective Services is looking for families willing to open their homes and their hearts to abused and neglected children. San Angelo and surrounding counties are in need of foster homes.

An information meeting on becoming a foster/adopt parent will be held in San Angelo on Thursday, June 5 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Location is the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services at 622 South Oakes.



### Maldonado-Hobby vows spoken

Abbey Maria Maldonado became the bride of Aaron Patrick Hobby Saturday, April 26, 2003, in a ceremony held at Templo Siloe Assembly of God Church in Ozona.

The bride is the daughter of Diana and Scott Mitchell of San Angelo and Robert G. Maldonado of Kerrville. Parents of the bridegroom are Delbert and Denise Hobby of Eustis, FL.

Pastor Israel Flores of Templo Bethel Assembly of God Church of San Angelo officiated the ceremony. The bride was given in marriage by her grandfather, Jesus F. Castro of Ozona. The church was decorated in a garden theme with spring flowers.

Attending the bride as matron of honor was her aunt, Cathy Rutherford of Ozona. Maid of honor was Betsy Mitchell of Irving, her step-sister,

and cousins Megan and Morgan Espinosa of Ozona were the flower girls.

Best man was the bridegroom's brother, Delbert Hobby Jr. of Eustis, FL.

A rehearsal dinner was held at the home of the bride's grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. Jesus F. Castro.

She is a graduate of Ozona High School, and the bridegroom a graduate of Mount Dora High School.

Following a wedding trip to Las Vegas, NV, the couple's home will be in Colorado Springs, CO, where he is a staff sergeant and satellite operator with the United States Air Force. The bride, a senior airman and emergency medical technician with the United States Air Force will be stationed in Osan, South Korea, for a one year remote tour.

### Chamber members talk visitor center

Ozona Chamber of Commerce members came out in support of the luncheon held Thursday, May 15, at the Hitchin' Post Steakhouse. There were close to 40 members in attendance.

Kay Shaffer, chamber chairman, opened the meeting with a welcome to the members. Robert Flores, past chairman, led the Pledge of Allegiance and gave the invocation.

While enjoying their lunch, members received a report of chamber activities given by executive director Shanon Biggerstaff.

John DeWitt of TxDOT reported on the status of the visitor center, as well as the streetscape project. Ozona was also awarded \$154,000.00 for a streetscape plan to beautify the main intersections at IH-10 and SH 163. This project should also address the access road leading to the post office and Burger King.

"In the beginning, the streetscape project had been put on hold due to funding freezes. Once the community was awarded funding for the visitor center, it was then decided, in an effort to maximize the use of the dollars, to combine the two projects," said DeWitt.

During the visitor center committee meeting held prior to the chamber luncheon, architect

Henry Schmidt and DeWitt estimated the ground breaking for the visitor center to now be Spring 2004.

Plans for the center must be reviewed by two engineers and then sent to TxDOT in Austin for approval. "They have just been tied up with other projects," explained Schmidt. He told the committee he intends to submit the final plans to TxDOT by July.

According to DeWitt, the typical time frame for TxDOT to review and approve the plans is five to six months. Once approved, the project can go to contract within 30 to 60 days, which he estimates to be in December or January. Actual ground breaking would soon follow. The committee inquired about the possibility of involving local businesses in the project. Information on how to bid on the project will be published in September.

During the luncheon, DeWitt suggested that the chamber form a transportation committee. He talked about the importance, particularly in rural communities, to form a committee made up of surrounding communities that would work together with legislators to ensure they are not overlooked when it comes to highway and intersate development.

### ASU Dean's List announced

The Dean's List for the 2003 Spring Semester has been announced at Angelo State University in San Angelo.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must be enrolled full-time and maintain a 3.25 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

The honorees, along with their majors, include the following from the Ozona area: Kristi C. Ayila, undeclared major; Jason David Davis, mathematics/secondary

certification; Kimberly Dawn Flores, chemistry; Kelli Anne Goble, kinseiology/secondary certification; Pamela Jean Green, English; Justin Waid Jackson, animal science; Kristin A. Kasberg, interdisciplinary studies; Rita Longoria Rios, Spanish/secondary certification; Jackson Cole Wadsworth, animal science; Cydnie Jane Worley, interdisciplinary child development and learning; and Connie Kathleen Yocham, interdisciplinary child development and learning.

## Crockett County Library News

by Louise Ledoux

Your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to solve a mystery, break a code, catch a spy, and enjoy adventures with the 2003 Texas Reading Club at the Crockett County Public Library.

Come check out books and participate in our program for children and young adults this summer. "Mission Possible: Spy A Book!" the 2003 Texas Reading Club begins on Monday, June 2, and continues every Monday and Thursday morning in June. Ages 6-12 years come from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m., and ages 3-5 come from 11:00 to 12:00 noon.

The purpose of the Texas Reading Club is to promote reading, stimulate curiosity and attract children to the library. The

emphasis is on letting children read for fun and helping them retain valuable reading skills during their summer vacations.

Check out books, travel from the Amazon to Zaire, or learn about coyotes and rattlesnakes! Many activities are planned at the library this summer for children of all ages to highlight this year's theme with speakers presenting special programs every week, volunteers reading stories, and lots of new and exciting books to read for every child.

Come to the public library and join in the fun. For more information, please call the library at 392-3563.

Louise P. Ledoux  
Crockett County Public Librarian

### Woman's Forum ends year

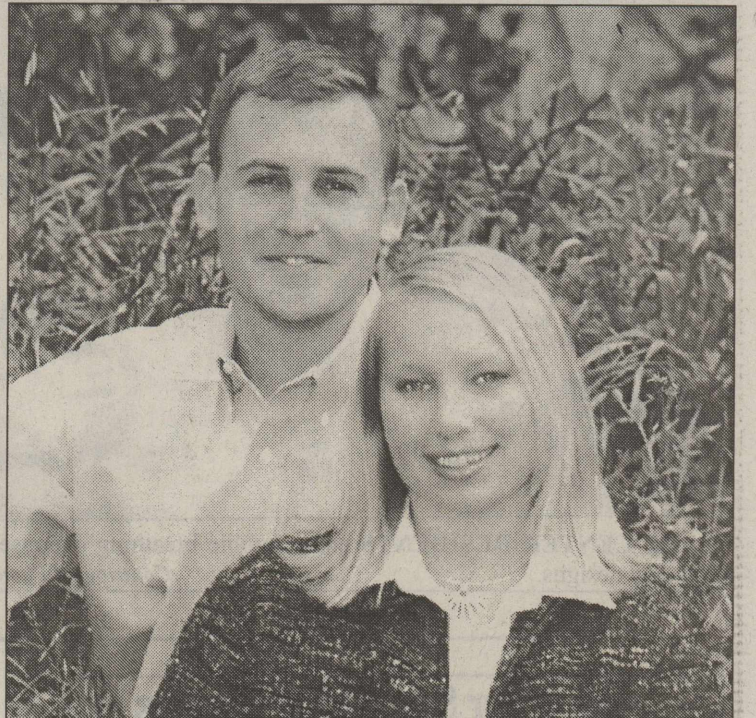
Member of the Ozona Woman's Forum met on May 20 at the home of Marolyn Bean. Hostesses were Charlotte Harrell, Dorothy Montgomery, Arlene Clayton, Willa Perry and Marolyn Bean.

Jimmie Jacoby gave the invocation, and a lovely brunch was served to 23 members.

After the meal, Ann Light conducted the business meeting.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved; the treasurer gave her report. Other items on the agenda included types of memberships, new budget, program for the coming year and guest day.

Ann Light adjourned the meeting by thanking the hostesses and wishing everyone a pleasant summer.



### Miss Braswell, Mr Murr to marry

Billy Braswell of Telegraph and Ted and Debbie Norton of Greenwood are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Lacey Jai Braswell, to Andrew Stevenson Murr, son of Fred and Jane Chandler of Ozona and the late Hardy Murr of Junction.

Miss Braswell is a graduate of Junction High School and attends Texas Tech University

where she is pursuing a degree in elementary education.

Her fiance, a graduate of Junction High School and Texas A&M University, recently received a doctorate of jurisprudence from Texas Tech University School of Law.

The couple will be married on August 16, 2003, in the First United Methodist Church in Junction.

### Sign up for intermediate word class

The next computer class offered by the Ozona Chamber of Commerce and the ASU Small Business Development Center is Intermediate Word. The class is scheduled Tuesday, June 3, from 4:00 to 6:30 p.m.

Intermediate Word will build on the skill learned during the beginning Word course. This workshop introduces the more advanced timesaving features of Microsoft Word. Learn how to do envelopes, tables, a mail merge and much more.

There is no charge to attend the class; however, participants must RSVP in advance. Each class is limited to 17 people and open to chamber members and non-members who represent a small business. The class will be held at the Crockett County High School Library Lab. The computer lab will allow participants to have hands-on access to a computer, and see the program work.

The Angelo State University Small Business Development Center and the Ozona Chamber of Commerce, having similar missions to support and assist small businesses within the local community, join together once again to provide these business courses.

If you are interested in signing up for one of these

courses, contact the chamber office at 392-3737 as soon as possible. Deadline to sign up for the class is May 30.



**PAPPY AND ME** is the title of this painting by Frances Childress Ross of Sonora. It currently hangs in the reception room at Crockett County Public Library along with another of her paintings, *Grandmother*.

Digicam photo by Linda Moore



**MY NEW BRACELET** by Mary Ross Buchholz is one of several of her works of art on exhibit at Crockett County Public Library through August. Mrs. Buchholz is the daughter of Frances and Joe David Ross of Sonora and granddaughter of Bill Childress of Ozona.

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**Obituaries**

**Odessa service for John Williamson**

John Gatha Williamson, 68, of Odessa passed away May 24, 2003, at his residence. He was born on April 12, 1935, in Spur to Richard and Thelma Williamson. John was Baptist and an Army veteran.

Services were held Tuesday at Sunset Memorial Funeral Home Chapel with Tom Reed officiating. Military graveside services followed at Sunset Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

His mother and father preceded John in death.

He is survived by his wife,

Hazel Williamson of Odessa; son, John Williamson and wife Ruth Ann of Denver City; Mark Williamson and wife Amy of Odessa; daughter Leona Colling and husband Tony of Eugene, OR; brother Clifton of Ozona; Dale of Huntington; sister Peggy Wington of Odessa; grandchildren Jennifer and Joey Williamson of Denver City, Justin and Jami Williamson of Odessa and Shon and Tyler Colling of Eugene, OR.

The family requests that memorial donations be made to the Veterans or the Cancer Society.

**Program helps disabled children**

West Texas Parent Education Network, a new program serving West Texas children with disabilities and their parents, has opened its doors in Lubbock. Information, technical assistance and training for parents of infants, children and youth with disabilities are available at no charge. The new project covers the western third of Texas, the Panhandle south to Del Rio and west to El Paso.

West Texas PEN is a non-profit Parent Training and Information program funded by the U.S. Department of Education. The majority of staff, volunteers, and board of directors are parents or family members of children with disabilities. Thus the driving force is the perspective of those who have "been there", who know first hand the challenges of parenting and living with a child with a disability. They hope to give parents information on resources, knowledge and skills they need in their roles as parents, decision makers, and advocates for their children.

A goal of the project is to reach rural and minority parents who have not had access to such services in the past.

Satellite offices are in San Angelo and El Paso. The coordinating office in Lubbock is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and by appointment. For information call (806)762-

1434, or toll free for parents in Texas 1-877-762-1435. Write to: West Texas PEN, 1001 Main St., #804, Lubbock TX 79401



May 28 - Rodney Beasley, Roxanne Castro, Manuel Borrego, Marcus Delgado, Chad Upham, Puja Bhakta, Lexandra Mason, Victor Hernandez Jr., Aestella Howard

May 29 - Mozelle Houston, Courtney Duke, Kendra Esmerado, Martha Weant, John Hignight, Patti Jones

May 30 - Lupe L. Gonzales Sr., Kathleen Edinburgh, Angel Fierro, Isiac Blanco, Cheryl Clayton, Don Long, John Childress

May 31 - Peyton Fenton, Madeline Stokes, Matthew Harris-Cane, Michael Bailey, Marion Childress

June 1 - Christy Delgado, Mary Jo Hearme, Eddie De Luna, Royce Newton, Kelly Cunningham, Gloria Castillo, Christy Vasquez

June 2 - Adam Alba, Ray Martinez Jr., Michael Fay, Brandi Buchanan, Noe Guerra Jr., Christina Quiroz, Erika Conner

June 3 - Silvia Coy, Ray Fierro Jr., Juan Castillo, Jonathan Arredondo

**Class of 1953 holds reunion**

The Ozona graduating class of 1953 was honored at a weekend gathering sponsored by the class of 1954.

A variety of events were planned to mark this 50th anniversary of the end of high school days for the honored group. Beginning on May 23 with an impromptu gathering at Chato's Mexican Restaurant prior to the graduation exercises for the current Ozona graduates, those in attendance were kept busy for the duration.

Members of the class of 1953, Class of 1954, and guests of the group sat in a special section at the Lion Stadium graduation ceremony and received special recognition by the keynote speaker Scott Hickman, himself a member of the class of 1953.

Following the Lion Stadium event, the group gathered at the Hitchin' Post Restaurant for further visitation and refreshment.

Formal registration began at Granny Miller Hall at 9:00 A.M. the following morning. The hall was decorated with pictures taken fifty plus years ago along with memorabilia of the era. Coffee, juice, sweetrolls, much conversation and the renewal of friendships, was all spiced up with stories of "remember when we....."

Lunch was served at the new Ozona Lions Field House and consisted of delicious barbeque, potato salad, slaw, condiments, and peach cobbler all prepared by 1954 graduate Graham Childress and served by Tracy Knox Preddy, Peggy Knox Logan, and Bobby Knox. Ozona High School superintendent Jim Ramage and his wife joined the gathering and supplied a delicious barbeque sauce and cherry cobbler.

The group was then taken for a tour of school facilities conducted by Ozona High School principal Steve Taylor and Ray Don Myers in air conditioned comfort on one of the newer school buses. Several were heard to make comparisons to the "old yellow dogs" that were used back in their day.

Dinner was at the Hitchin' Post Restaurant where master of ceremonies Graham Childress with help from Tracy Knox Preddy and Peggy Knox Logan awarded doorprizes to attendees in several categories. The usual "traveled the most miles to attend", "have the most children, grandchildren, great grandchildren" were supplemented with "man with the most hair", "held the most different jobs", "the longest marriage", "the newest marriage", and so forth interspersed with funny stories

which kept attendees laughing.

1953 class president Jimmy McMullen voiced special thanks to the Knox family, Alena Faye Powers Hokit, Shirley Kost Kirby, Jo Ann Allen Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Maness and to all who worked to put the reunion together.

Graham Childress prepared breakfast burritos which were served at the senior center on Sunday morning, May 25, to tired but happy attendees on their way out of town.

Attending were Marybeth Richmond from Las Vegas, Nevada; Walter Hollis Weaver from Albuquerque, New Mexico; Dave and Jan Price from Price, Utah; Don Cooper from Batesville, Arkansas; Barbara Bonn Day from Spring; Jane Cody (the group's typing teacher) from Houston who was accompanied by her daughter Karen and by her granddaughter; Wayne Kuykendall from Cedar Park; Tom and Betty Piner from Plano; Lewis Robison from Ft. Stockton; Billie Chandler Malone from Sheffield; JoAnn Deaton McCord from Ballinger; Scott and Gladys Hickman from Midland; Murray and Yvonne Knox McCain and Betty Knox Meyer from Rochelle; Earl and Elaine Berry from San Angelo; Bill and Ann Schneeman from Big Lake; Fred and Jan Jones Van Shoubrouek; Gary and Jane Adams Garlitz; Carolyn Stuart Wilson; Marilyn Payatte; Oscar Kost; and the first grade teacher for the class of 1953, Georgia Kirby.

Also attending from Ozona were Jamie and Mary Lou Knox, Dick and Shirley Kost Kirby, Alena Faye Powers Hokit, Jo Ann Allen Williams, Bobbie Fields Griffin, Roy A. Harrell, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Bill Maness.

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The Ozona Stockman group photos of the class of 1953 taken Saturday at the field house were not good.

If someone took photos during this shoot, and would like to share them with the Stockman-for publication next week, please send a copy to The Ozona Stockman, Box 370, Ozona, TX 76943. Please give your return address so that the photo can be returned.

If you used a digital camera you can e-mail the photo in JPG format to [ozonastockman@wcc.net](mailto:ozonastockman@wcc.net). Please do not reduce the size of the file so that we can change its size and characteristics for publication.

Sorry about that, but break downs seem to happen at the worst possible time.

Thanks, Scotty and Linda Moore

**Care Center Chatter**

We are in the process of redoing our laundry room. We will be able to do our own laundry and not have to send it out, which will save the facility money.

This past week our residents did art work with painting with pudding, exercise breathing with

blowing bubbles and designing with clay. Many of our residents have very creative talents.

We will be accepting items for our yearly garage sale until June 10. If you have items you would like to donate, call us at 392-3096, and we will pick up your items.

Volunteers for the week were E. A. Wadsworth, Commissioner Freddie Nicks, Pat Nicks, Merle and Mary Welly, Otis Nester, Nell Wester, Lewis and Lace square dancers. Thank you all from our hearts for the joy you bring our facility residents.

Will have more next week. Hope you all had a fun and safe Memorial Day weekend.

Jan St. Clair Activity Director

**Robert M. Ogle, Jr.**

He is a 2003 graduate of O.H.S. He is leaving on Sept. 8 for Marine Boot Camp. Proud parents are Glora and James Williams and Robert and Bonnie Ogle. May God bless you in all you do.

Love Always, Mom, James and Rios Family

**God's Family Life**

By Dr. Dennis J. Prutow

As Father's Day nears once again, our thoughts turn toward home and the family. But sadly, one of the greatest problems in our society today is the breakdown of the family. There are many contributing factors. One of them is the view that the Bible is an archaic book which is irrelevant for today's complex problems. For example, we are told that the Bible's view of the family is hopelessly outdated. We are told that those who wrote about the family in the Bible were so influenced by their culture that what they have to say means nothing for today. Suppose I show you that what the Bible says about the family is not cultural at all. Rather, it is a corrective to the devastating problem of sin. Would that make a difference? It should! You see, when Adam and Eve sinned against God, they suffered certain consequences. God put the results of sin this way, He said to Eve, "Your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you" (Genesis 3:16). Here God was telling Adam and Eve about the devastating consequences of sin in their relationship. Eve would want to dominate Adam. Adam would respond by exercising tyrannical rule over Eve. It's a picture which is repeated time after time in marriages. Interestingly enough, the very same words are used about sins desire to dominate us. Listen, "Sin is crouching at the door; and its desire is for you, but you must master it" (Genesis 4:7). Now, when Paul comes along and says, "Wives be subject to your own husbands" (Ephesians 5:22), he is trying to correct a problem that results from sin. And when he says, "Husbands, love your wives" (Ephesians 5:25), he is speaking to a problem that results from sin.

<p><b>First Baptist Church</b> 901 Ave. D Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Ozona Church of Christ</b> 1002 11th St. <b>Mr. Johnnie Perkins</b> Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:00 p.m. Sun. Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.</p>	<p><b>Ozona United Methodist Church</b> 12 - 11th St. <b>Rev. John Fluth</b> Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 9 a.m. &amp; 11 a.m.</p>
<p><b>Ozona Cowboy Church</b> Cenisa St. - Non-Denominational <b>Pastor Rick Thomas</b> Thursday: 7 p.m. Broadcasting on the radio at 8 a.m. on Sunday mornings.</p>	<p><b>Faith Lutheran Church</b> 802 1st St. <b>Rev. Charles Huffman</b> Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 9 a.m.</p>	<p><b>Templo Siloe Assembly of God Church</b> 2121 Santa Rosa St. - Rev. Dan &amp; Ann Rios Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Tues. Prayer Meeting: 7 p.m. Wed. Family Service: 6:30 p.m.</p>
<p><b>Templo Bautista Jerusalem</b> 138 Blas St. <b>Rev. Esequiel Cervantez</b> Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday: 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Church of God of Prophecy</b> 102 Man O' War St. <b>Pastor Lupe Domoniquez</b> Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 4:30 p.m. Tues. &amp; Thurs: 6 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Our Lady of Perpetual Help</b> 219 Martinez St. <b>Rev. Henry Laenen</b> Sun. Mass: 11 a.m. Sat.: 7 p.m. M. W. F. - 8:30 a.m. Thurs.: 7 p.m.</p>
<p><b>Calvary Baptist Church</b> 601 Ave. I <b>Rev. Daniel C. Fleming</b> Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Wed. &amp; Sun. Worship: 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Iglesia Bautista Nueva Vida</b> Corner of Secretariat &amp; Man 'O War Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. Service: 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Apostolic Church</b> 307 Santa Rosa St. <b>Rev. Hector De La Cruz</b> Sunday School: 3 p.m. Worship: 5 p.m. Thur. Service: 7:30 p.m.</p>
<p><b>Templo El Paraiso Inc.</b> 604 11th St. <b>Pastor Jesse Cardona</b> Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Tuesday Worship: 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Iglesia de Cristo</b> Hwy 163 S. at Quail Run <b>Minister: Amelio Hinojos</b> Sunday Bible Study: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 6 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Attend the Church of Your Choice This Sunday</b></p>

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### Mild winter adds up to higher tick population

By Edith A. Chenault

A mild winter has helped tick populations survive, and a Texas Agricultural Experiment Station researcher is advising Texans to be watchful during their outdoor activities this spring and summer.

The rainfall and mild weather only increases the number of ticks that survived the winter, said Dr. Pete Teel, entomologist with Texas A&M University in College Station.

"This year, we're starting out in really good shape (for the ticks).

The ticks are ahead of us, and because of that, the risk of becoming infected with a tick borne disease is going to increase," he said.

Most people tend to think about ticks only in the spring and summer when they find them on themselves or their companion animals. Mild winters make it easier for more of these ticks to get through to the next spring and summer, Teel said.

Exposure to ticks usually comes in wooded habitats and through recreational outings such as camping, fishing and hunting.

But, Teel said, "You can even get ticks in managed parks and recreational areas, just as you might get them in a managed wild landscapes," he said.

Proper clothing to protect against ticks and bites is essential when going into places the insects are likely to be.

"It's good to wear light colored clothing, such as tan or khaki pants, to tuck the pant legs inside your boots or properly tape up the pant leg so the ticks can't walk up and get direct skin exposure," Teel said.

"Because of the time of year, people would like to and it's certainly much more comfortable, to wear shorts," he said. "But doing so exposes our skin to direct contact with ticks. It makes it a lot easier for them to get on us."

Pants and proper shoes provide a physical barrier against the ticks actually attaching themselves.

To seal pants' legs, use 2 inch wide masking tape and fold it over along the length. That not only keeps clothing sealed against the ticks coming up inside, but also provides a sticky trap for ticks that might get on shoes and walk up onto the pant leg, Teel said.

He also suggested using one of two types of repellents. The first contains DEET and is suitable for putting on the skin and clothing.

The second, a repellent containing .05 percent permethrin, is designed for application to clothing only. Used by the military, this repellent is strong and withstands several washings.

As with all pesticides, read the label carefully and apply appropriately, Teel explained.

Following exposure to an infested area, do a tick check, he said. This is probably best done while taking a shower. Go over the entire body, not neglecting the hair, the scalp and the base of the hairline.

Even though it may take an attached tick two or three days to transmit a disease, Teel said all ticks should be removed quickly.

To remove them correctly, "Grasp the tick as close to the skin as possible, with a firm pull

do not jerk or use a twisting motion - and pull it away from the surface of the skin until it detaches," he said.

"Improper removal can result in the head of the tick remaining in the skin and an increase of secondary infection." The site can then be treated with rubbing alcohol, Teel said.

He cautioned against using hot pins, solvents such as petroleum jelly to encourage the tick to detach.

"You may stimulate the attached tick to increase salivation, and salivation increases the risk of infection," he said.

If flu like symptoms consistent with tick borne diseases are experienced within 10 to 30 days after exposure - with or without a rash - tell a physician. The patient can then be tested for exposure to tick borne diseases.

Save ticks in a small container with a bit of moist paper toweling - which keeps the relative humidity up and the tick alive - and store in a cool place such as indoors or in a refrigerator. The tick can be submitted to the Texas Department of Health

(www.tdh.texas.gov or www.ticktexas.org) for testing for the presence of several tick borne diseases.

Teel acknowledged that most people don't like the whole business of removing a tick, and "the idea of hanging on to it is even more disgusting, but hanging onto it can have value to a physician who is trying to help you with a clinical illness.

"Even if the tick dies, the identification of that tick may sometimes be important in knowing which disease agents are likely to have put this patient at risk," he said.

The same tips are applicable to companion animals, such as dogs, cats and horses, he said. Companion animals are susceptible to some tick species and disease agents that humans are not.

Pets should also be tick checked, and removal is the same as it is for humans.

"Tick information from a dog or cat may be as valuable to a veterinarian as that information on a human is to a physician," he said.

Many over the counter and prescription tick control products for pets are available as well.

### Progressive Farmer Safety Day Camp

Writer: Steve Byrns, Communications Specialist, (915) 653-4576, s-byrns@tamu.edu

Parents with active youngsters should sign them up today for the biennial Progressive Farmer Farm Safety Day Camp set for June 4 from 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. at Angelo State University's Management, Instruction, and Research (MIR) Center.

The event is sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension in partnership with Progressive Farmer magazine. Because of the hands-on nature of the camp, space is limited to 125 youth, so pre-registration no later than May 28 is mandatory. Campers should be third graders and up. Those entering third grade in the fall are eligible.

The MIR Center is located on Grape Creek Road.

Brandon Asbill, Tom Green County's Extension 4-H and youth development agent and the safety camp's chairman, said too often safety is dismissed until an injury occurs. He said that many times these "accidents" can be prevented with a bit of forethought and safety training.

"Our whole aim here is to arm children with the basic safety information they need to recognize and react positively in a dangerous situation," said Asbill.

"Though this event has the word 'farm' in its title, the information provided is actually applicable to any youth, urban or rural, who is active outdoors. We'll address everything from lawnmower precautions to firearm safety. There are no other youth safety programs available in our part of the state that offers the assortment of safety topics we do. The day will be fast-moving, fun, and packed with plenty of action."

After the morning registration, campers will be divided into small groups which will rotate through eight safety sessions. There will be breaks for snacks, lunch, prizes, and lots of valuable information on how to remain safe on the farm and at home.

Besides firearm safety and lawn equipment safety, chemical safety and wildlife information

will be addressed along with small equipment tips, tractor power takeoff (PTO) safety, fire safety, and weather information.

The pre-registration fee is \$10 per child or \$20 flat fee for families with two or more children attending. Parents are encouraged to attend the opening and closing general sessions.

For further information and to pre-register, contact the Tom Green County Extension Office at (325) 659-6525 or the Runnels County Extension Office at (325) 365-5042.

### Pool Well Services honored recently

HOUSTON - The Association of Energy Service Companies (AESC) recently honored Pool Well Services Co. with a safety award for outstanding accident prevention in oil and gas well servicing operations for the year 2002. Pool was presented the Group V, Gold Award at the association's 2003 National Winter Meeting in Lafayette, LA. Energy service companies representing over 2,900 well servicing rigs participated in the association's safety awards program by following strict reporting guidelines. Pool Well Services Co. has won the coveted Gold Award each of the past six years.

The AESC is an international trade organization, which represents oil and gas well servicing contractors who service the energy sector. In addition to contractors, the AESC's membership includes companies that manufacture and supply equipment, products and services to the oil and gas exploration and production industry.

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GRACE WILLIAMS (seated second from right) was honored with by members of Ozona Garden Club at their final meeting of the year May 21 at the Hitchin' Post. Standing are: Marolyn Bean, Cecilia West, Esther Williams, Virginia Hubbard, Dorothy Montgomery, Carmen Sutton, Charlotte Harrell, Debi Hamilton, Jan Van Shoubrouek, Laurie Porter, Vivian Childress; seated Vi Allen, Ella Clegg, Grace Williams and Jean Odum.

### Applications being accepted for brush control funding

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is currently taking applications for the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). This program is designed to provide producers with cost share and technical assistance to complete conservation practices. Eligible producers may apply for assistance on conservation practices that will address the resource concerns identified by the Local Work Group.

The objective of the Crockett County EQIP Local Work Group is to promote the wise use of conservation practices for improving the natural resources in the county. A meeting of the Local Work Group identified invasive brush species as the primary resource concern for the county. In order to address this concern, the Local Work Group selected brush management practices as the highest priority in the county. Eligible practices given the highest priority for funding will be chemical and mechanical control of brush.

Interested individuals may apply in person at the USDA Service Center in Ozona. Applicants may also request assistance by telephone, fax, e-mail or letter. A signed application must be received no later than close of business on June 13, 2003. The Natural Resource Conservation Service is located at 201 11th Street in Ozona. The telephone number is 325-392-2301, ext. 3, and the fax number is 325-392-4146.

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Last year, five scholarships were awarded to deserving participants who competed in the games.

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Chevron U.S.A. Inc. has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for renewal of Air Quality Permit No. 76 which would authorize continued operation of the Ozona Gas Plant located two miles south of Ozona on Highway 163 in Crockett County, Texas. The plant is on the east side of the highway. Additional information concerning this application is contained in the public notice section of this newspaper.

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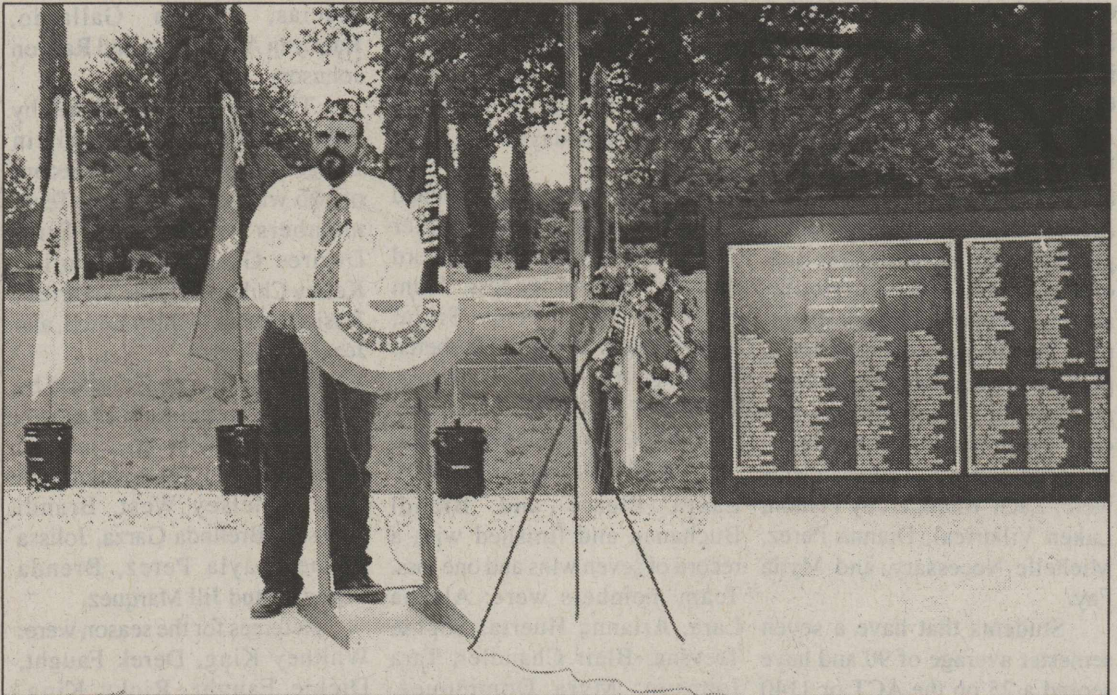
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DAVE CROWDER OF BIG LAKE, a member of the American Legion and a Vietnam vet was the guest speaker at the Memorial Day services held Monday.

## Public Notices

## TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



## NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT RENEWAL

PERMIT NO. 76

**APPLICATION** Chevron U.S.A. Inc., has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for renewal of Air Quality Permit No. 76 which would authorize continued operation of the Ozona Gas Plant located two miles south of Ozona on Highway 163 in Crockett County, Texas. The plant is on the east side of the highway. The existing facility is authorized to emit the following air contaminants: nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, organic compounds, sulfur dioxide, hydrogen sulfide and particulate matter (including particulate matter less than 10 microns in diameter).

The TCEQ received this application on February 10, 2003. The application is available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, TCEQ San Angelo regional office, and the Crockett County Public Library, 1201 Avenue G, Ozona, Crockett County, Texas. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the San Angelo regional office of the TCEQ.

The TCEQ executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. Information in the application indicates that this permit renewal would not result in an increase in allowable emissions and would not result in the emission of an air contaminant not previously emitted. **The TCEQ may act on this application without seeking further public comment or providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT** You may submit public comments, or a request for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. **The deadline to submit public comments is 15 days after newspaper notice is published.** After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the TCEQ's jurisdiction to address in the permit process.

After the technical review is complete the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If only comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who is on the mailing list for this application, unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING** You may request a contested case hearing. The applicant or the executive director may also request that the application be directly referred to a contested case hearing after technical review of the application. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 15 days from this notice, the executive director may act on the application. **If no hearing request is received within this 15-day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided.** According to the Texas Clean Air Act § 382.056(o) a contested case hearing may only be granted if the applicant's compliance history is in the lowest classification under applicable compliance history requirements and if the hearing request is based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission may only grant a hearing on those issues raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

**A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing.** If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing;" (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility. If the request is made by a group or association, the one or more members who have standing to request a hearing and the interests the group or association seeks to protect must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns. **Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 15 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.**

If any requests for a contested case hearing are timely filed, the executive director will forward the application and any requests for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. Unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing, the executive director will mail the response to comments along with notification of Commission meeting to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this application. **If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact relating to relevant and material air quality concerns raised during the comment period.** Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding.

**MAILING LIST** In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list for this application by sending a request to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. Those on the mailing list will receive copies of future public notices (if any) mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk for this application.

**INFORMATION** Written public comments and requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at [www.tceq.state.tx.us](http://www.tceq.state.tx.us).

Further information may also be obtained from Chevron U.S.A. Inc., 15 Smith Road, Midland, Texas, 79705 or by calling Mr. Peter J. Botes, Environmental Specialist - Air at (915) 687-7297.

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## Ozona High School honors top students

By Gerri Azam STOCKMAN REPORTER

The faculty and students of OHS along with parents and community members gathered on Monday, May 19, at the annual awards assembly at the high school auditorium. After Mr. Wiley greeted the crowd, the faculty proceeded to hand out honors and awards to the students.

The UIL literary participants were recognized for their hard work through out the year. These students included: Jessica Knaack, Jared Bird, Stephen Lara, Harvey Ruiz, Jimmy Ybarra, Diana Perez, Ramon Trujillo, Josh Long, Jakob Parks, Derek Fierro, Kristen James, Chris Carter, Eric Fierro, Jenna Henderson, Paige Tambunga, Kyle Webb, Allie Bean, Makinsey Morris, Jasmine Tambunga, Derek Wiley, Whitney King, Ryan Wiley, Bobbie Sue Bangeman, Jake Stewart, Dub Walston, Jessica Galan, Bekah Cowen, Ashley James, Kayla Parks, Erika Conner, Baylor Myers, Andy Birkenfeld, Zach Webb, Amber Batura, Layne English, Paarth Raj, Phillip Baggett, Logan English, and Michelle Necessary.

Twelve students were recognized for making the 2003 A Honor Roll. These students were: Ashley James, Allison Skehan, Jared Bird, Kristen Bunker, Doug Duncan, Cecilia Garza, Jenna Henderson, Paarth Raj, Philip Baggett, Whitney King, Josh Long, and Ryan Wiley.

The DEKALB Award is given each year to the outstanding four-year vocational ag student. The 2002-03 DEKALB award recipient was Katy Churchill.

The Star Greenhand Award for 2002-03 was given to Dean Wadsworth and Clint Hale. This award is given to the outstanding first year vocational ag students each year.

The Minnie Wylie Henderson award, given to a student taking a sequence of Family and Career courses who makes outstanding contributions and leads in the classes, went to Kelli Cunningham.

The Daughters of the American Revolution gave awards in two areas this year. The first was the Excellence in History Award which is given to the student with the highest average in all four years of social studies. The second award was the Good Citizen Award, given to the student that recognizes our treasured history and is involved in community projects and is a good role model to his/her school. The Excellence in History Award was given to Zach Webb and the Good Citizen Award was given to Michelle Necessary.

Recognition for perfect attendance this year went to: Albert Barrera, Sandra Barrera, Jared Bird, Simon Garza, Twyla Hensley, Ariana Lira, Lionel Martinez, Raven Perez, Harvey Ruiz, Andrew Shaffer, Jarryd Taylor, Jimmy Tebbetts, and Zachary Webb.

The Academic Excellence awards honor the top performing students for each teacher in each subject area. The students honored were: Jenna Henderson and Paarth Raj in U.S. History by Steve Taylor; Tina Martinez and Kristin Bunker in Biology by Lenny Morrow; Zach Webb and Melanie Bullard in Anatomy and Physiology by Lenny Morrow; Bekah Cowen and Myda Fay in AP English by Tammy McWilliams; Amber Batura and Makinsey Morris in Pre-AP English by Tammy McWilliams; Jasmine Tambunga and Malory Moran in Algebra I by Jeff Streun; Chelsea Collett and Victor Hernandez in Math Models by Jeff Streun; Trace Larson and Stephen Humphrey in Networking I by Donna Wiley; Jessica Galan, Heather Price, and Patricia Gomez in Multi-Media by Donna Wiley; Seth Pearson and Eric Tambunga in BCIS by Donna Wiley; Alex Avila and Doug Duncan in Art II by Patrice Searcy; Bobbie Sue Bangeman and Derek Fierro in Art I by Patrice Searcy; Dean Wadsworth and Jasmine Tambunga in English I by Wendy Justiss; Ashley James and Brian Anderson in Pre-AP English by Wendy Justiss; Jasmine Tambunga and Cheyenne Taylor in BCIS by Kim Miller; Heather

Ybarra and Makinsey Morris in Webmaster by Kim Miller; Jimmy Ybarra in Personal and Family Development by Rose Williams; Becky Tambunga in Individual and Family Development by Rose Williams; Andrew Birkenfeld in Consumer Economics by Rose Williams; Ana Huerta in Preparation for Parenting by Rose Williams; Adrienne DeHoyos and Cecilia Garza in English II by Thomas DeHoyos; Jimmy Ybarra and Aldo Torres in English III by Thomas DeHoyos; Makinsey Morris and Jarryd Taylor in World History by Tom Duncan; Philip Baggett and Layne English in Independent Study in Computer Study by Rod Miller; Paarth Raj and Amber Batura in Computer Science II by Rod Miller; Jared Bird and Jakob Parks in Introduction to Computer Maintenance I by Rod Miller; Ryan McNeely and Trace Larson in Introduction to Computer Maintenance II by Rod Miller; Erica Fierro and JT Lara in Government by Lynn Searcy; Quay Oglesby and Koby Fenton in Economics by Lynn Searcy; Josh Long and Twyla Hensley in US History by Lynn Searcy; Naomi Martinez and David Lee Borrego in English by Mindy Briley; Simon Garza and Naomi Barriga in Math by Mindy Briley; Allison Skehan and Grant Hodges in BCIS by Mary Jo Unger; Laura Pierce and Olga Talamantez in Accounting by Mary Jo Unger; Logan English and Bobbi Bangeman in Introduction to Business by Mary Jo Unger; Elizabeth Hernandez and Jorge Siller in ESL by Tommie Pena-Alfaro; Jared Bird and Roland Galindo in Spanish I by Tommie Pena-Alfaro; Allison Skehan and Cecilia Garza in World Geography by Ruben Pena-Alfaro; Aldo Torres and Michelle Necessary in US History by Ruben Pena-Alfaro; T.J. Nowell and Abel Martinez in Ag by Jim White; Zach Webb and Brian Skehan in MT by Jim White; Twyla Hensley and Andy Birkenfeld in MS by Jim White; Harvey Ruiz and Jimmy Ybarra in TS by Jim White; Grant Hodges and Rocky Vega in Physical Education by Jim White; Abel Martinez, Hilary Huffman and Naomi Barriga in Spanish II by Emma Franco; Bobbi Sue Bangeman, Ida Gallardo, and Laken Villarreal in Spanish III by Emma Franco; Jasmine Tambunga and Ashley James in Speech by Ty Payne; Jessica Newby in Theatre by Ty Payne; Ileana Rodriguez in Physical Education by Ty Payne; Jacki Llanas and Leslie Villarreal in HSTE I by Linda Coates; Melanie Bullard and Michelle Necessary in HSTE II by Linda Coates; Christina Martinez and Analiliana Coronado in Geometry by Rodney Johnson; Jared Bird and Josh Long in Chemistry by Dan Webb; Ashley James in Pre-AP Biology by Dan Webb; Philip Baggett in Physics by Dan Webb; Jared Bird and Paarth Raj in Algebra II by Cindy Webb; Josh Long and Philip Baggett in Pre-Calculus by Cindy Webb; Koby Fenton and Zach Webb in AP Calculus by Cindy Webb; Whitney Kind and David Lee Borrego in World Geography by Dickie Faught; John Ray Luna and Dominique Perez in Ag Manufacturing Technology by Terry Crawford; Romeo Perez and J.T. Lara in Ag Power by Terry Crawford; Ross Kelley and Joseph Tambunga in Application of Ag Science/Technology by Terry Crawford; Eliseo Treto and Simon Garza in Animal/Plant Production by Terry Crawford; David Noah in Management System by Terry Crawford; Dub Walston and Ashley James in Health by Benji Unger; and Jasmine Tambunga and Seth Pearson in IPC by Sam Justiss. The UIL Scholar Award is presented to students whose academic and extracurricular achievements have been exemplary and whose self-discipline in preparation and integrity in competition are a role model to others. This year five students received this award. Those students were: Zach Webb, Koby Fenton, Laken Villarreal, Dianna Perez, Michelle Necessary, and Myda Fay.

Students that have a seven semester average of 90 and have scored a 25 on the ACT or 1140 on the SAT are eligible for the President Education Award. The students meeting this criteria were Koby Fenton, Dianna Perez, Paige Tambunga, Zach Webb, Laken Villarreal, and Katie Churchill.

Scholarships presented at the assembly included: The Hill Country Jr. Livestock Show Scholarship awarded to Katie Parker and Katie Churchill; The Career Colleges of School Scholarship awarded to Stephen Maskill; The Dr. Robert and Jean Ann Legrand Scholarship awarded to Lalo Garza and Katy Churchill; and the CARR Scholarship award to Laken Villarreal, Michelle Necessary, and Dianna Perez.

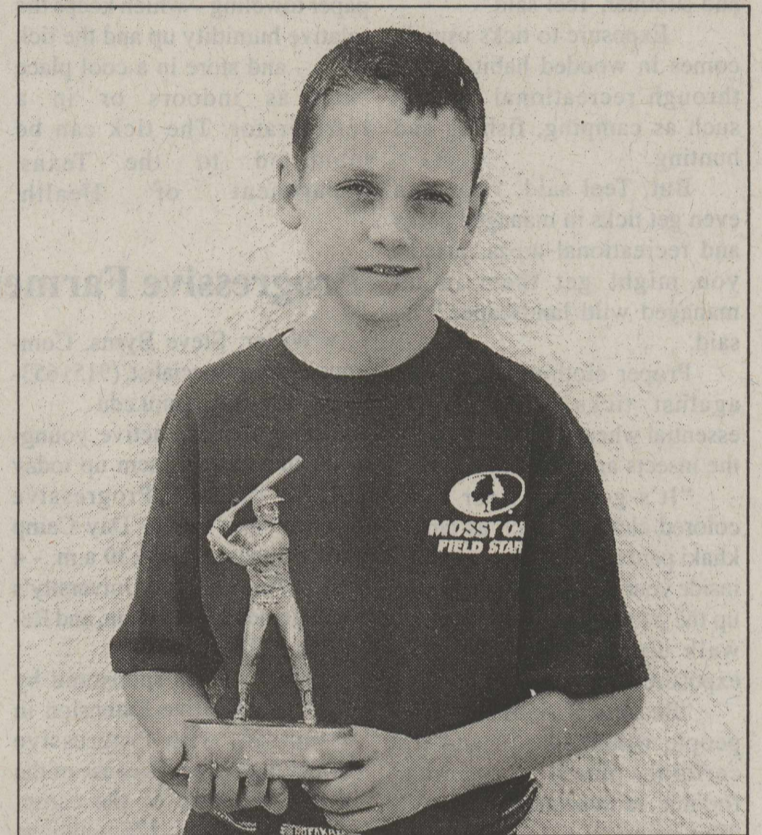
The U.S. Army Reserve Scholar Athlete Award was presented by SSGT. Andres Montez. Ramon Trujillo and Laken Villarreal received this award.

National Honor Society were also inducted at the assembly. The new members of the Ozona Chapter of the National Honor Society are: Amber Batura, Jared Bird, Kristin Bunker; Chris Carter,

Adrienne DeHoyos, Doug Duncan, Derek Fierro, Roland Galindo, Cecilia Garza, Jenna Henderson, Hilary Huffman, Kayla Johnson, Stephen Lara, Christina Martinez, Erika Morales, Taylor Oglesby, Toby Pagan, Heather Price, Paarth Raj, Britney Ramos, Sara Richie, Becky Tambunga, Heather Ybarra, Myda Fay, Maira Martinez, and Olga Talamantez.

The nominees for Mr. and Miss OHS were introduced and the winner was announced. Candidates were nominated by the OHS faculty and voted on by the students. Nominees for Mr. OHS were Lalo Garza, G.L. Bunker, Zach Webb, and Chase Clark. Miss OHS nominees were Bekah Cowen, Colbey Crawford, Michelle Necessary, and Paige Tambunga. The runners-up were Lalo Garza and Colbey Crawford.

The 2002-03 Mr. and Miss OHS were Zach Webb and Bekah Cowen.



**SOL WALKER STOKES** is the Ozona Youth Baseball Minor League Most Valuable Player for the 2003 season. Photo by Linda Moore.

## Mr. and Miss OHS announced

By Gerri Azam STOCKMAN REPORTER

Mr. and Miss OHS were named at the annual awards assembly at Ozona High School on May 19. Zachary David Webb, Mr. OHS, is the son of Dan and Cindy Webb. Zach is the Valedictorian of the 2003 graduating class and was voted Most Likely to Succeed. He has been a member of NHS since his sophomore year. Zach participated in UIL Calculator Applications and went to regionals his freshman and senior years. His senior year, he won at the regional level and went on to place eleventh at State. Zach also went to regionals in UIL mathematics his freshman and junior year, and UIL science his freshman, junior and senior years. Zach participated in football his freshman through junior years, tennis his freshman year and baseball his sophomore year. Zach enjoys kayaking, fishing and

woodworking. He plans to attend the University of Texas at Austin and major in mechanical engineering.

Rebekah Rae Cowen was named Miss OHS. She is the daughter of Dana Cowen. She was named Miss Congeniality this year and is also known as "Lucky the Lion". Bekah was involved in One Act Play since her sophomore year. She was Honorable Mention All District her junior year, All-Star Cast her senior year, and a state qualifier her sophomore year. Bekah participated in basketball, track and was the mascot her junior and senior years. She was named Honorable-Mention All-District in basketball her junior year and received the Fighting Heart Award her senior year. Bekah enjoys hanging out with her friends, dancing and having fun. She plans to attend Howard College in Big Spring and participate in their drama department.

## Youth basketball wraps up season

By Gerri Azam STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

The Ozona Youth Basketball League recently wrapped up their 2003 season. The season began in March with registration and practice, then several weeks of games. The League is for girls in grades four through six, with games on Mondays, Tuesdays, and some Thursdays.

The Jazz team was coached by Casey Ybarra and Heather Ybarra and had a season record of seven wins and one loss. Team members were: Stacy Silva, Shelby Ortiz, Brandyn Tebbetts, Karina Quiroz, Angelic Gutierrez, Christina Quiroz, Leandra Hernandez, and Kristen Mendoza.

The Queens were coached by Laura Pierce and Brandi Buchanan and finished with a record of seven wins and one loss. Team members were: Alysha Lara, Arianna Huerta, Sophie Trevina, Blair Chandler, Tara Johnson, Myra Dominquez, Makayla Badillo, Rebecca Ramos, and Rebecca Pierce.

The Liberty team was coached by Tori Miller and Allie Bean and finished the season with four wins and four losses. Team members were: Karly Marie Perez Jazveth Gonzales, Jayci Miller, Alejandra Cruz, Alexandra Macias, Mariah Gallardo, RaeLynn Arredondo, and Raevon Johnson.

The Sparks were coached by Hilary Huffman and Kristin Bunker and had a season record of two wins and six losses. Team members were: Kara Bird, Desiree Galan, Kayla Fuller, Kelsey Childress, Katie Villarreal, Jessica Franco, Ashley Lewis, and JessLynn Fierro.

The Comets were coached by Kayla Johnson and Kelli DeHoyos and finished with no wins and eight losses. Team members were: Chelsey West, Brandi Glosson, Breilinda Garza, Jolissa Payne, Layla Perez, Brenda Venegas, and Jill Marquez.

Referees for the season were: Whitney King, Derek Faught, Dickie Faught, Ricky King, Makinsey Morris, Allison Skehan, and Taylor Oglesby.

# Athletes recognized at May 13 banquet

By Gerri Azam  
STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

The 2003 O.H.S. Athletic Banquet was held on Tuesday, May 13. Athletes participating in various sports were recognized and many awards were given.

The OHS Boy Athlete of the Year was Lalo Garza. The OHS Girl Athlete of the Year went to Katy Churchill.

Many other awards were given in the specific team sports, and regional or state qualifiers were recognized. In Rodeo, the year's state qualifiers were Clay Hale in team roping, Bryan Skehan in Calf Roping, Kristin Bunker in Pole Bending, Victoria Miller in Barrels, Barrels, Goat Tying and Pole Bending, and Dean Wadsworth in Saddle Bronc Riding. Other members of the rodeo team included: G.L. Bunker, Katy Churchill, Kathryn Walston, Zane Coates, Clint Hale, Arron Renfro, Allison Skehan and Weslee Wilson. Miss Region II High School Rodeo was Kathryn Walston.

In the Special Olympics Summer Games, Karla Aguilar claimed two gold medals in the Softball Throw and the 50M Walk; and Derek Dewolfe received a gold medal in the Softball Throw and a silver medal for the 50M Walk. The Special Olympics were held in Odessa, TX on April 12.

The Student Trainers for the year were recognized. The group included Logan English, Sandra Barrera, Becky Barrera, Kristen James, Kasi Yeager, Baylor Myers, Jessica Newby, and Audrey Tijerina. The Student Trainer of the Year Award went to Logan English and Sandra Barrera.

For tennis, the Most Valuable Players awards were presented to Jenna Henderson, Jessica Moore, Jared Bird, and Ruben Talamantez. The Fighting Heart Awards were given to Michelle Necessary and Derek Faught.

Post Season Honors for the golf team included All District for Arron Garza, Ryan Pearl, and Whitney King. All Region honors were given to Arron Garza. The MVP's for the season were Arron Garza and Whitney King. The Fighting Heart Awards went to Robert Ogle and Paige Tambunga.

In Cross Country, both the girls' and boys' teams were recog-

nized for being Regional Qualifiers. Laken Villarreal and Eliseo Treto were given the MVP awards and Paige Tambunga and Simon Garza were honored with the Fighting Heart Awards.

For Girls' Track, Heather Ybarra was named MVP and Colbey Crawford was given the Fighting Heart Award. Regional Qualifiers for the season were: Katy Churchill, Colbey Crawford, Brandi Buchanan, Ruth Cervantez, Britney Ramos, Casey Ybarra, Heather Ybarra, Tyler Cunningham, and Malorie Moran.

Regional Qualifiers in boys' track were Eliseo Treto, Jarryd Taylor, Brad Mayfield, Ryan McNeely, and Ramon Trujillo. Jarryd Taylor also was a State Qualifier in the shot put this year. Tyson Vordick and Ramon Trujillo received the Fighting Heart Awards. Jarryd Taylor was named MVP.

In Baseball, the MVP award went to Lalo Garza and Quay Oglesby. Logan English was awarded the Fighting Heart Award for the season.

Post-season honors in Lady Lion Basketball included: Katy Churchill - First Team All-District; Whitney King - District 2-AA Newcomer of the Year and First Team All-District and Academic All-District; Ruth Cervantez - Second Team All-District; Casey Ybarra - Honorable Mention All-District; Hilary Huffman - Honorable Mention All-District; and Colbey Crawford - Academic All-District. The Fighting Heart Award was given to Bekah Cowen. Offensive MVP was Katy

Churchill and Defensive MVP was Whitney King.

Post-season honors in Lion Basketball included: Derek Faught - District Offensive MVP; Academic All-District, All-West Texas 2A Team, First Team All-Region, Second Team All-State; Arron Garza - Academic All-District; Lalo Garza - District Defensive MVP, Academic All-District; Brad Mayfield - Second Team All-District, Academic All-District; Robert Ogle - Academic All-District; Bryan Skehan - First Team All-District, Academic All-District; Jarryd Taylor - Second Team All-District, Academic All-District; Dennis Taylor - Academic All-District; Ryan Wiley - Academic All-District. Offensive MVP was Derek Faught. Defensive MVP was Lalo Garza. The Fighting Heart Award was given to Jarryd Taylor.

In Lion Football, the team was recognized for their 10-0 regular season record. This was the first time in 26 years that the Lions have accomplished this record. The Defensive MVPs for the season were Chase Clark and Quay Oglesby. Offensive MVP was Jarryd Taylor. Jacob Tambunga and G.L. Bunker were given the Fighting Heart Award. Post-season awards included: First Team All-District - Clay Hale, quarterback; G.L. Bunker, running back; Lalo Garza, wide receiver; Wilson Stokes, tight end; Johnny Tambunga, center; Andrew Shaffer, Guard; Jacob Tambunga, tackle; Aaron Espino, defensive end; Lalo Garza, sec-

ondary; Robert Ogle, punter; Bryan Skehan, place kicker; Romeo Perez, special teams. Second Team All-District - Koby Fenton, running back; Chase Clark, guard; Roy Estrada, tackle; G.L. Bunker, secondary. Honorable Mention All District - Robert Ogle, tight end; Victor Hernandez, tackle; Ramon Trujillo, defensive end; Andrew Shaffer, linebacker; Tyson Vordick, secondary; Kris Gray, secondary.

Academic All District - G.L. Bunker, Brad Mayfield, Koby Fenton, Ryan Wiley, Tyson Vordick, J.T. Lara, Jarryd Taylor, Ryan Pearl, Josh Long, Robert Ogle, Roy Estrada, Ramon Trujillo, Wilson Stokes, and Bryan Skehan. All State Aca-



SIX OHS ATHLETES were presented with the Distinguished Athlete Award from the U.S. Marine Corps for displaying courage, poise, self confidence and leadership as high school athletes. The are: (l. to r.) Robert Ogle, Roy Estrada, Johnny Tambunga, Jacob Tambunga, John Ray Luna, Victor Hernandez. DigiCam Photo by Susan Calloway

demical Team - Koby Fenton, second team; G.L. Bunker, Honorable mentions; Chase Clark, honorable mention, and Ramon Trujillo, honorable mention.

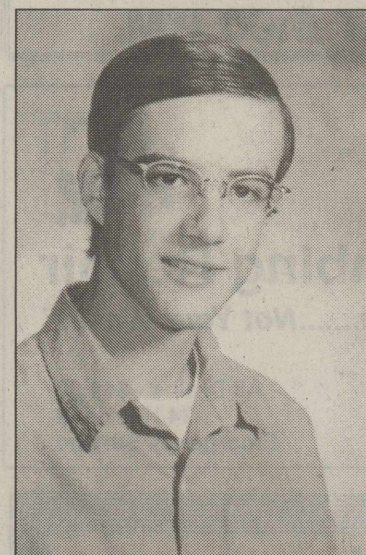
All West Texas team - Jarryd Taylor, running back; Jacob Tambunga, offensive line, Chase Clark, defensive line; Robert Ogle, defensive line; Lalo Garza, utility player. All West Texas Su-

per Team - Jarryd Taylor, Utility Player.

All State Team - Jarryd Taylor, second team linebacker; Lalo Garza, Honorable mention defensive back; Robert Ogle, honorable mention defensive line; Jacob Tambunga, honorable mention offensive line.

TSWA All State Team - Jarryd Taylor, second team linebacker.

## Babbitt earns valedictorian honors



BRANDON BABBITT

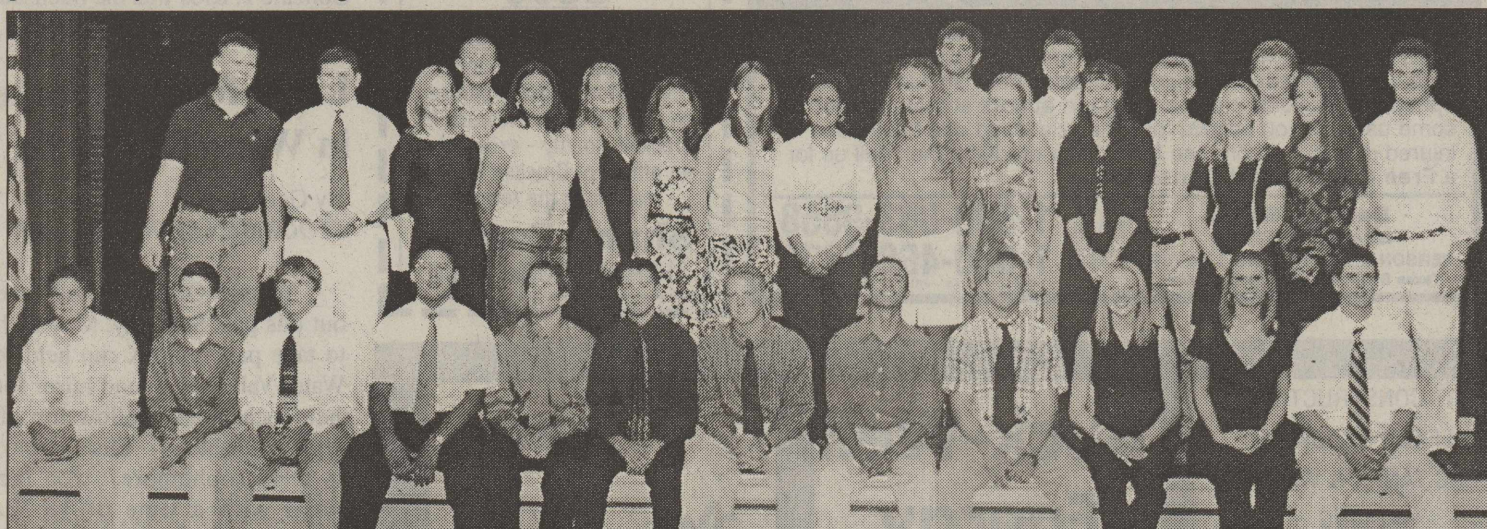
Brandon Babbitt, son of Cliff and Diane Babbitt, graduated from Idalou High School May 22 at the Lubbock Municipal Auditorium in Lubbock. Brandon is valedictorian of his class of 54 with a grade point average of 97.66. He will attend Texas A&M this fall to study aeronautical engineering.

Grandparents are Bill and Bernice Cota and Jo Ann Babbitt of Ozona and the late R. B. Babbitt.

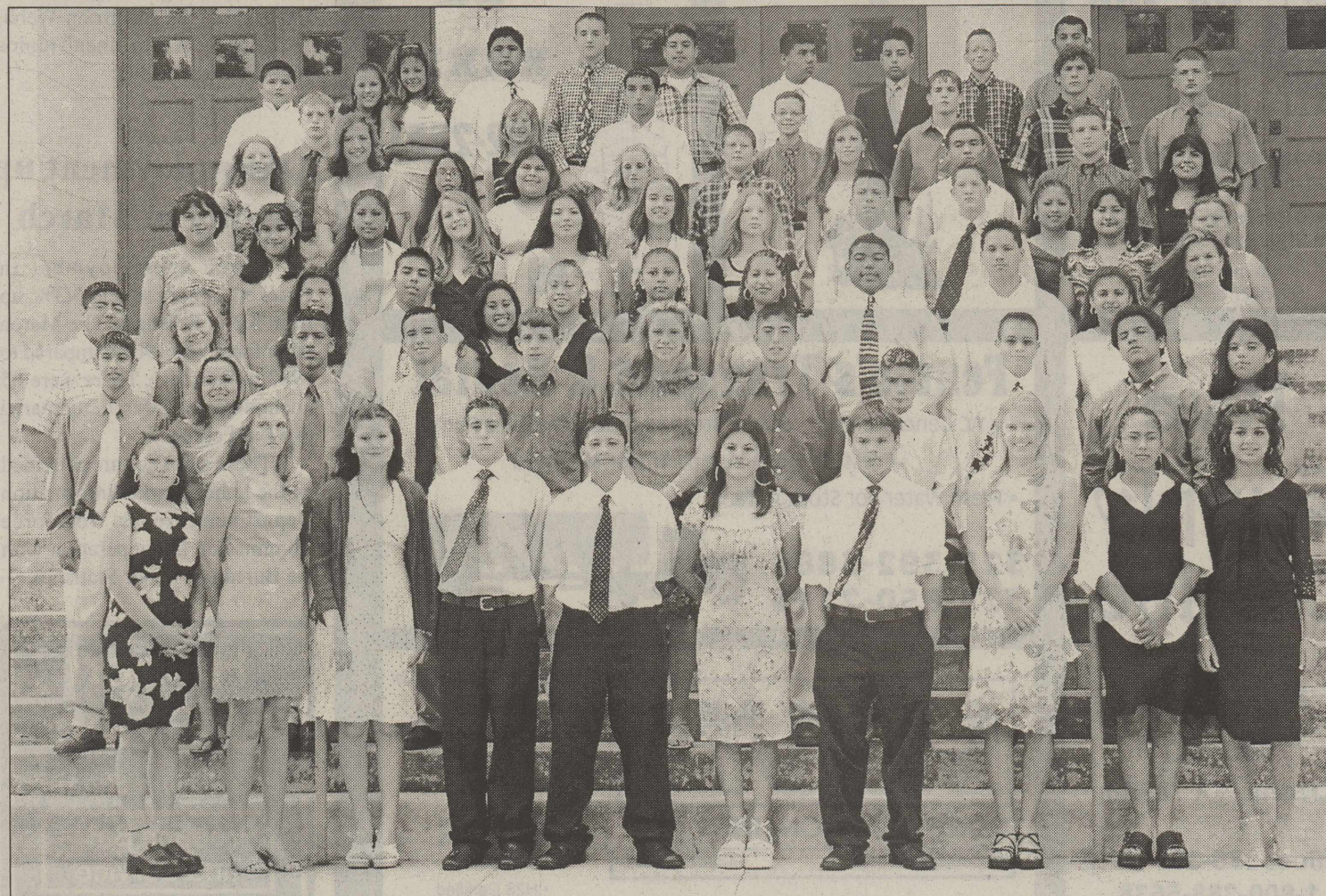
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THE NEW MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY ARE: (back, l. to r.) Jenna Henderson, Heather Price, Ceceila Garza, Adrienne DeHoyos, Tina Martinez, Sara Richie, Olga Talamantez, Maira Martinez, Heather Ybarra, Becky Tambunga, Amber Batura, Britney Ramos, Myda Fay, Hilary Huffman, Chris Carter and Kristen Bunker. Bottom: Erika Morales, Kayla Johnson, Toby Pagan, Doug Duncan, Stephen Lara, Derek Fierro, Parth Raj, Jared Bird, Makinsey Morris and Taylor Oglesby. Photo by Stephen Zuberbueller



THE PRESENT MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY ARE: (back, l. to r.) Jacob Parks, Philip Baggett, Bobbie Sue Bangemen, Ryan Wiley, Ariana Lira, Kathryn Walston, Dianna Perez, Laura Pierce, Paige Tambunga, Katy Churchill, Bryan Skehan, Regan Shaw, Wilson Stokes, Michelle Necessary, Jake Stewart, Kristen James, Dennis Taylor, Laken Villarreal and Chase Clark. Bottom: Josh Long, Layne English, Jarryd Taylor, Ramon Trujillo, Zach Webb, Logan English, Derek Faught, Lalo Garza, Koby Fenton, Whitney King, Colbey Crawford and G.L. Bunker. Photo by Stephen Zuberbueller



THE OZONA MIDDLE SCHOOL HELD EIGHTH GRADE PROMOTION CEREMONIES last Friday at the high school auditorium. DigiCam Photo by Susan Calloway

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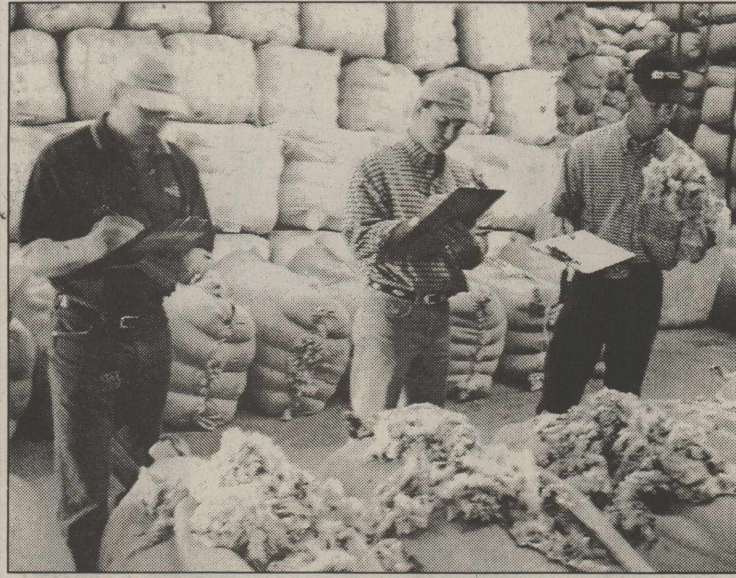
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**JASON BANNOWSKY, LAD HUGHES AND GORDON GLASS** of Bowman Co. out of Tennessee look over some short paint-free wool at Wool Growers on May 22. *DigiCam Photo by Scotty Moore*

### Wool sales bring good prices

Sales limited to short, paint-free ewe wools at Wool Growers and Ozona Wool and Mohair last week brought the best prices since 1995. Donnie Laughlin of Wool Growers said the 50,000 pounds offered at his warehouse brought .75 to .99 a pound. Charles Seidensticker, manager at Ozona Wool reported one lot coring "with a yield of 54%,

which is awfully high." The 60,000 pounds offered there brought .91 to \$1.03 per pound. Another sale may be held in two weeks. Falling wool prices have resulted from China and others withdrawing from the market in the wake of the SARS epidemic according to Laughlin.

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## Crockett County Sheriff's Report

### CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WEEKLY NEWS REPORT 05-20-03 through 05-26-03

05-20-03 Deputy met with concerned parent in the 1900 Block of Mulberry St. Their daughter left with a male subject, and had not returned home. Deputy located both subjects, and daughter was returned home.

Report of someone burning trash in a barrel on Largo St. Deputy arrived to find everything okay.

An unknown caller reported subjects throwing bottles from a vehicle. Deputy located the vehicle, and no further incidents reported.

A caller requested to speak with a Deputy in reference to loaning his vehicle to a friend and was unable to get it back. A report was taken.

Report of a reckless driver on the 800 Block of 12th St. Deputies were unable to locate the vehicle.

Report of a disturbance at the Crockett Apartments. Deputies arrived and a report was taken.

Report of a reckless driver on Man 'O War St. Deputy located juveniles gathering wood. They were advised by Deputy to leave the area, and no further incident occurred.

05-21-03 During a traffic stop, a 30-year-old male subject was discovered to be listed in the system as missing endangered. The male subject was transported to the Sheriff's Office. The agency that had listed the male subject as missing was notified. The male subject was determined to be in good condition, and no longer a danger and was released.

Deputy unlocked a vehicle on the 1300 Block of Ave. C.

Deputy spoke with a subject on the phone who was trying to contact his son. The caller believed that his son was in the Ozona area working for a company called "Dielfer". Deputy was unable to find a company by that name.

Deputy assisted Ozona DPS on a minor accident on Willow St.

A Deputy was dispatched to the 200 Block of Ceniza St. on a civil standby for a parent/child visitation matter.

A male subject was taken to Ozona clinic by personal vehicle after receiving minor head injuries from being hit in the head by a horse.

05-22-03 Deputy unlocked vehicle at a local motel.

Report of a suspicious person walking on Ave E. Deputy located subject and transported him to the county line.

Caller requested assistance for a stranded motorist. Deputy arranged for a motel room.

Deputy responded to a welfare concern on Mulberry St. A Deputy took subject to the clinic.

Deputy met with complainant at the Sheriff's Office in reference to anonymous letters that were sent to their business. Case is still under investigation.

Report of a reckless driver. Vehicle was located, and subject was advised by Deputy to take the vehicle home.

Report of a reckless driver on Appaloosa Run. Deputy was unable to locate the vehicle.

Deputy met with complainant on the 1600 Block of Santa Rosa St. in reference to someone taking property from her. Deputy then met with the other subject involved, and the property was returned.

05-23-03 Report of subjects yelling at Crockett Apartments. Deputy arrived, and everything was okay.

Report of a minor accident at the high school. Deputy assisted Ozona DPS. No injuries reported.

Deputy unlocked a vehicle on Willow St.

Deputy unlocked a vehicle on 14th St.

Deputy met with complainant at the care center in reference to some property taken from residence. Case is still under investigation.

Deputy assisted EMS on a child choking medical call on the 200 Block of Ave. M. Deputy arrived, and child was okay.

Deputy met with a complainant on the 1200 Block of Peach St. in reference to juveniles. Deputy spoke with all parties involved, and no further incident reported.

Deputy unlocked a vehicle on the 200 Block of Ave. J.

Deputies responded to a "medic alert" call on the 600 Block of Coats St. and found everything was okay.

Deputy unlocked a vehicle on the 100 Block of Liveoak St.

Deputies responded to a second "medic alert" call on the 600 Block of Coats St. Everything still okay.

Road hazard reported on I-10. Deputy arrived and found signs down. TxDOT was notified.

Deputies responded to a third "medic alert" call on the 600 Block of Coats St. Everything was okay, and Deputy contacted family member to stay with subject.

Deputy assisted EMS on a snakebite medical call near Taylor Box Rd. Subject was transported to San Angelo for medical treatment.

Deputy was called to meet with a complainant on the 1800 Block of Ave. E.

05-24-03 Report of juveniles drinking. Deputy transported juveniles to meet with Reagan Co. unit.

Report of loud party on Ramos St. Deputy shut down party.

Report of loud party on Walnut St. Deputy had music turned down.

911 medical call. Deputy assisted EMS.

Deputy met with complainant at convenience store on Ave. E.

Deputy delivered a message to a subject at the field house.

Report of subject tearing off gas nozzle from line at convenience store on 15th St. Deputy located subject, and had him return to store.

Deputy met with subjects in reference to a disturbance. Deputy took a report.

05-25-03 Gas drive off from convenience store on Loop 466. Deputy unable to locate the vehicle.

Deputy provided gas welfare at local convenience store.

Deputy assisted DPS Trooper with a motor vehicle accident on I-10.

Report of juveniles driving in a reckless manner.

Deputy met with subject at Super 8 Motel. Deputy took a statement.

Deputy met with subject about issuing a trespass notice.

Report of possible criminal mischief on Appaloosa Run.

Dispatch relayed 911 call to Pecos Co.

Wire on roadway. Deputy moved fence wire.

Subject's cutoff by floodwaters on Pandale Rd. Tx DOT notified of flooding.

911 call of possible tornado seen in Sutton Co. Sutton Co notified.

Tank battery fire on Vaughn Field Rd. Fire Department notified.

05-26-03 Report of possible disturbance on Walnut St. Subjects were gone upon Deputy's arrival.

Report of shots fired in the area of Houston St. Deputy was unable to locate anything.

Deputy unlocked a vehicle.

Deputy unlocked a vehicle on Ave. E.

Deputy met complainant at the Sheriff's Office. Deputy advised the subject to file complaint in the county that the incident took place in.

Report of a power line down. Deputy advised it was a cable TV line.

Report of loud music in the area of Santa Rosa St. Deputy advised subject to turn down music.

**ARREST REPORT**  
05-20-03 through 05-26-03

05-20-03 Rodriguez, Carolina Lopez, age 22, of Michigan was arrested by DPS Trooper on Nueces County warrant charging burglary of habitation, and fail to appear. Subject was later released after proper identity was determined by DPS Trooper.

Davis, Phillip Kent, age 27, of Arizona was transferred by Sutton County Sheriff to Crockett County on a charge of escape from custody from Sutton County. Subject remains in jail.

Porras, Emilio Flores, age 24, of Ozona was arrested by Sheriff's Deputy on a capias-motion to adjudicate probation. Subject was released after posting a bond.

Cadena, Fidencio Jr., age 21, of Ozona was arrested by Sheriff's Deputy on a charge of assault family violence on family member. Subject was released after posting a bond.

Tjerina, Desidero Garza Jr., age 40, of Ozona was arrested by Sheriff's Deputy on a Crockett County warrant charging Class A assault causes bodily injury. Subject was released after posting bond.

Ortiz, Osiel, age 22, of Ozona currently incarcerated at Crockett County Jail was charged with assault causes bodily injury. Subject remains in jail.

Vargas, Oscar Borrego, age 31, of Ozona was arrested on a charge of assault causes bodily injury. Subject was released on a bond.

05-22-03 Ornelas, Jesus Javieres, age 21, of Kerrville was arrested by Sheriff's Deputies, Texas Ranger Long and Constable Borrego on Edwards County warrant charging aggravated robbery and burglary of habitation. Subject was released to Edwards County Sheriff's Office.

05-23-03 Longoria, Aimee, age 24, of Ozona was arrested by Sheriff's Deputy

on a charge of burglary of a building. Subject was released after posting bond.

05-25-03 Lozano, Romulo Arturo, age 24, of Ozona was arrested by DPS Trooper on a charge of driving while intoxicated. Subject was released after posting bond.

Ramirez, Michael David, age 25, of Ozona was arrested by DPS Trooper on a charge of public intoxication. Subject was released after time served.

Rodriguez, Coy Moses Jr., age 32, of Ozona was arrested by DPS Trooper on a charge of public intoxication. Subject was released after time served.

Trinidad, Carlos Jr., age 48, of Uvalde was arrested by Sheriff's Deputy on a Uvalde County warrant for traffic offense. Subject remains in jail waiting on transfer to Uvalde County.

05-26-03 Ortiz, Samuel Porras, age 54, of Ozona was arrested by Sheriff's Deputy on a charge of interference with duties of a public servant. Subject was released after posting bond.

### OFFENSE REPORTS 05-20-03 through 05-26-03

05-20-03 Sheriff's Deputies responded to a disturbance call at the Crockett Apartments. Sheriff's Deputy filed an assault family member - one time incident report.

05-23-03 Sheriff's Deputies responded to a disturbance call at the Crockett Apartments. Sheriff's Deputy filed an assault causes bodily injury incident report.

05-24-03 Sheriff's Deputies responded to the convention center for a disturbance. Sheriff's Deputy filed an assault by physical contact incident report.

05-26-03 Sheriff's Deputy filed an interference with duties of public servant incident report while assisting Crockett County Probation Department.

### Galindo found guilty of murder

Evelio Fuentes Galindo was found guilty of the murder of Salome Rodriguez Lerma by a Crockett County jury May 15. The jury retired at 10:40 a.m. that date and returned with the guilty verdict at 2:55 p.m. The following day, the jury began consideration of the punishment phase at 10:05 and returned with their recommendation of 20 years in the Texas Department of Corrections at 12:14 p.m. Galindo was indicted Nov. 7, 2001, for having "knowingly and intentionally causing the death of Salome Rodriguez Lerma by shooting him with a rifle." The shooting occurred on the Joe Bean Ranch on Pandale Road. Del Rio is listed as the home of both men. Martin Underwood of Comstock represented Galindo. Gonzalo P. Rios was the licensed court interpreter during the trial.

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**Local folks compete in Water Valley 5K**  
By Gerri Azam  
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Several Ozonans took time out this past Saturday, May 17th to take part in a 5K run held in Water Valley as a fund raiser for their local FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes). Eliseo Treto, an OHS sophomore, won the event with a time of 18.22. Britney Ramos, also an OHS sophomore, ran as well, winning her division and placing second overall in the female divisions. Also running in the race were Dan Webb, local high school chemistry teacher, his son Brian Webb, and Bobby Azam, local junior high English teacher.

**Unemployment up slightly in March**  
March unemployment in Crockett County rose to 3.3%, up from 3.2 in February. The March labor force was 1961 compared to 1943 in February. There were 65 unemployed in March compared to 63 in February.

These statistics are provided by the Labor Market Information Department, Texas Workforce Commission in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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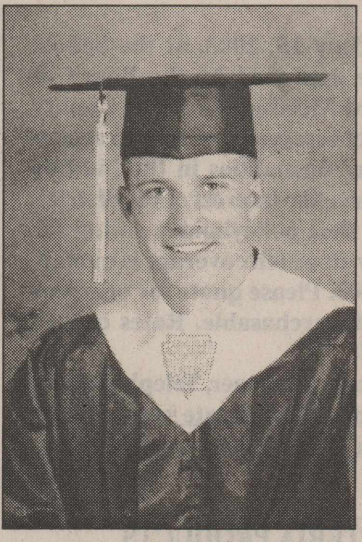
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