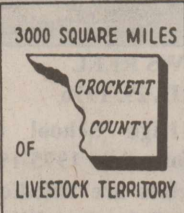


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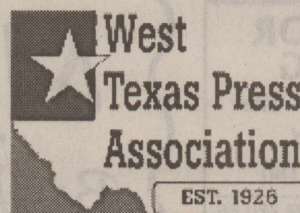
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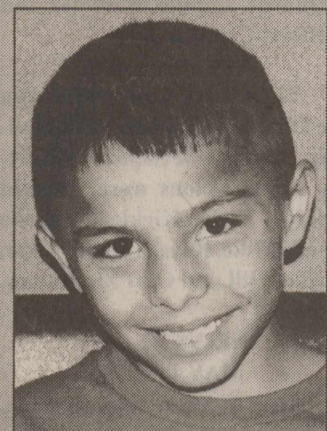
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Wool Growers Central Storage files bankruptcy

By **MELISSA PERNER**
 Editor and Publisher

Wool Growers Central Storage Company Inc. has filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy due to recent incidents.

Chapter 11 under the Federal Bankruptcy Code means that a company is able to work out a plan in hopes of trying to pay people back, as well as working out a plan to keep operating, said attorney Greg Gossett, of Gossett, Harrison, Reese, Millican and Stipanovic in San Angelo.

However, Gossett said he was not sure if this means Wool

Growers will stay open or not. This affects both Wool Growers in Ozona and Sanderson.

"I don't know what they are going to do," Gossett said. "We are currently trying to determine what the facts are and who has wool there."

In a letter sent out people who had wool or mohair stored at the company, it states that "the directors have been informed by the ex-manager that mohair was sold without authority and the proceeds not paid to the producers on some occasions."

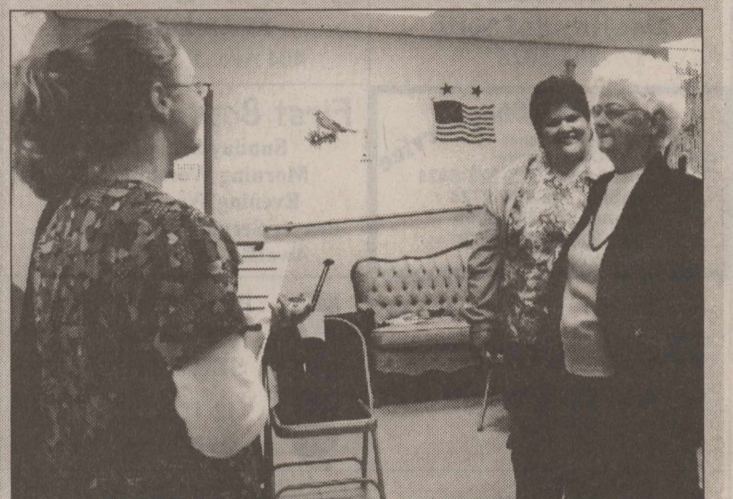
The letter then goes on to state that Wool Growers' intent,

if feasible, is to work towards repayment, either in whole or in part, of the producers who may have had wool and/or mohair in one of the warehouses and who did not get paid for the product when it was sold.

"However, in trying to determine the extent that would be needed to facilitate this repayment, the amount of wool and/or mohair in issue needs to be ascertained," the letter states.

The letter also states that schedules of the wool and mohair claimed by the person and a copy of the receipt to be sent to the San Angelo law firm.

Scenes from the Spring Health Fair



Photos by Melissa Perner
THE SPRING HEALTH FAIR on April 26 at the Crockett County Senior Center saw many visitors. (from top to bottom): Jean Odom gets her balance checked by employees of West Texas Rehab Center; Roberta Schoenhals stands by a "good looking" cowboy on the Hospice of San Angelo poster as employee Veronica Fierro looks on and Estelle Williams gets her blood sugar checked by a nurse from MedWay Home Healthcare.

UNSTOPPABLE

Jessica Moore continues winning streak, heading to state meet

By **MELISSA PERNER**
 Editor and Publisher

Jessica Moore continued her remarkable run in tennis this past week in Abilene as she successfully defended her Region 1-AA tennis crown.

"Once again seeded first in the tournament, Jessica breezed through her girls' singles bracket without ever really being tested. She totally dominated her opponents with a very punishing ground attack, kept them frustrated with her relentless desire to win, and never allowed any of them much if any momentum at all," said Coach Rick Bachman.

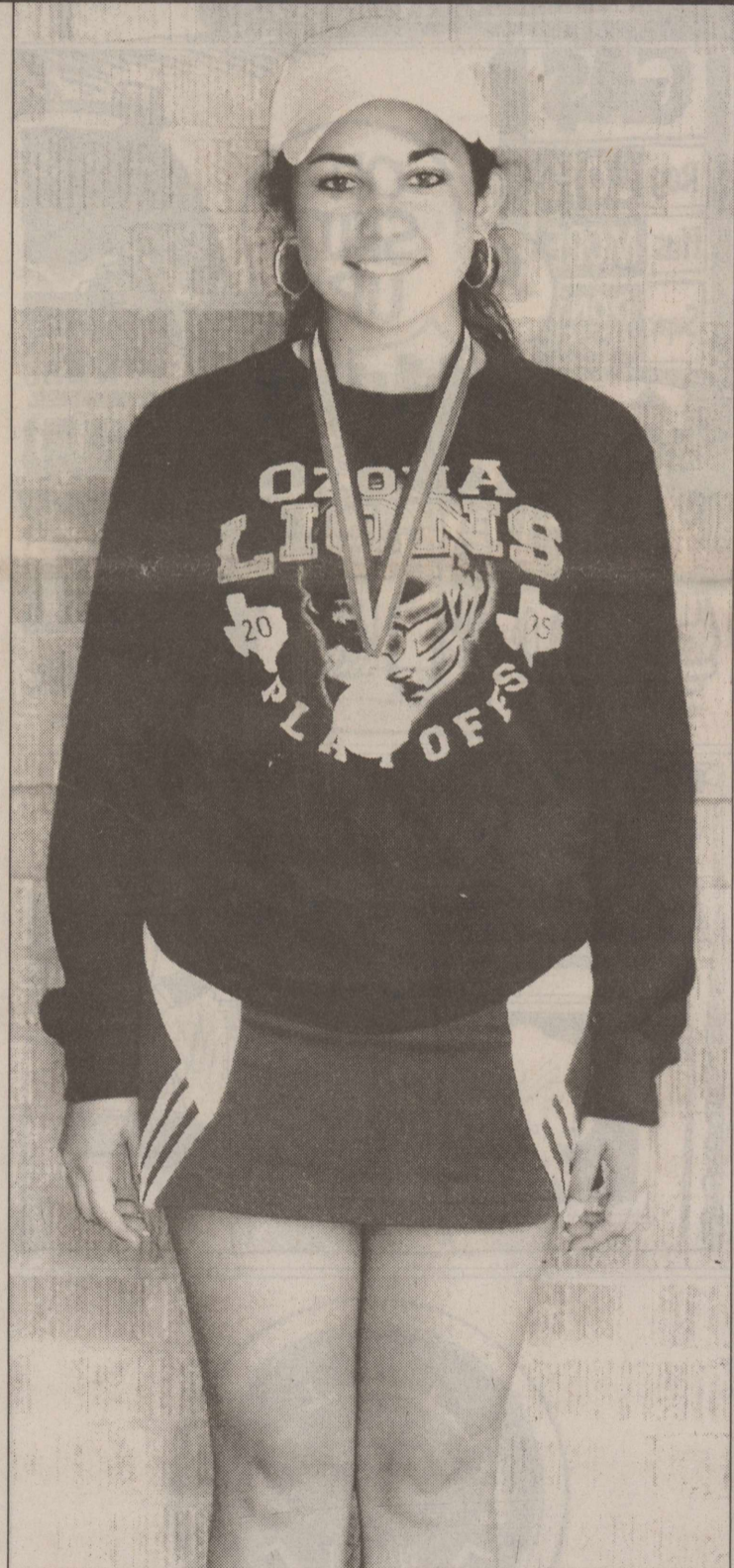
Jessica will travel to Austin this Sunday to begin her attempt at her ultimate goal, a state championship in tennis. The Ozona High School Senior is undefeated this year in girls' singles tournament play.

She will play her first round match at 10:15 a.m. Monday, May 8 at the Pennick Allison Tennis Center on the campus of the University of Texas.

In winning the Region 1-AA tournament, Jessica has elevated her season singles record to an outstanding 37-1, or a 97 percent winning percentage.

"Jessica is such an amazing athlete that I'm running out

Please see **TENNIS** page 6



Submitted photo

JESSICA MOORE stands with her Regional Gold Medal that she won this past week in Abilene. Jessica advances to the State Tennis Meet May 8-9 in Austin.

BOY SCOUTS RAISE FUNDS FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL FLAG

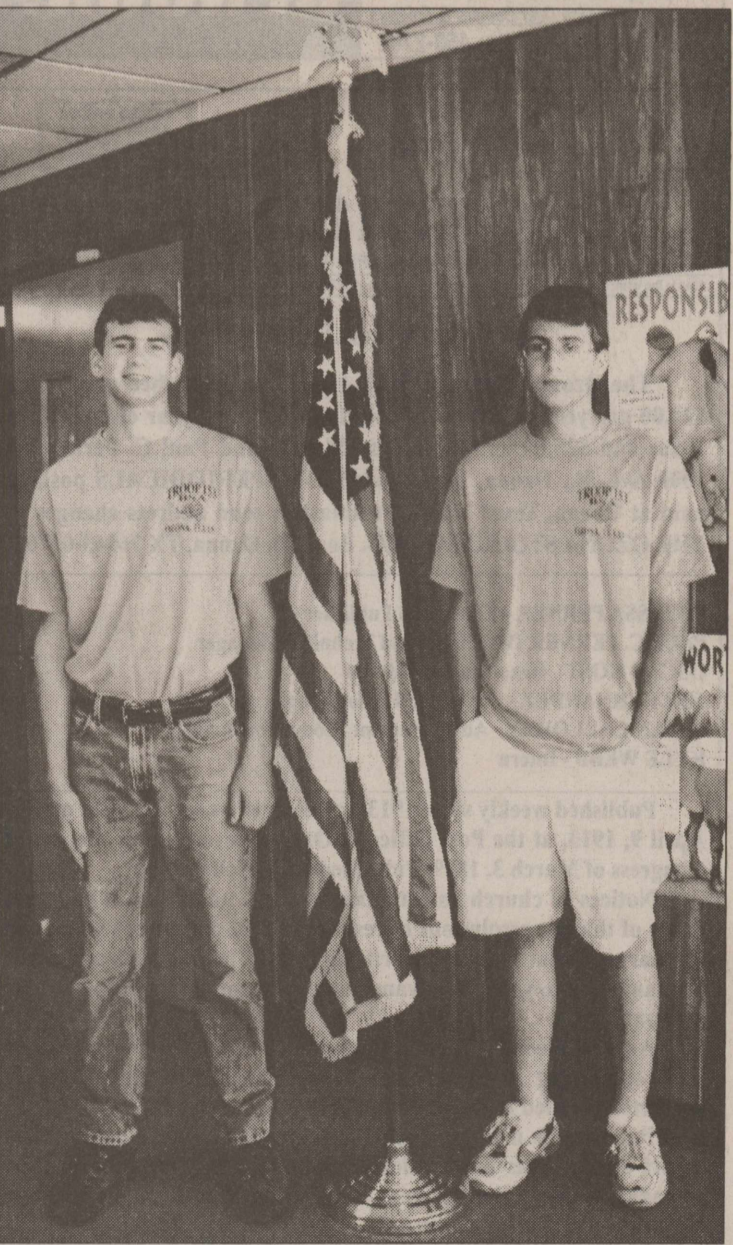


Photo by Susan Calloway

BOY SCOUTS WILSON and LANE WHITE completed a family project for their Family Life Merit Badge. There was a need to have an American flag for the Ozona Primary School for assemblies and patriotic programs. Wilson and Lane collected aluminum cans for two years in exchange for money to purchase a flag. They collected cans from alleys, service roads, neighborhoods, the primary school recycle bin and from many family members and friends who helped to add to their collection. A big thank you goes to all of those who helped towards their project.

Cinco de Mayo Spring festival schedule of events

Saturday, May 6 -

- Dance, 8 p.m.-midnight at the Parish Hall with music by Tri City Band. Tickets are \$8 in advance and \$10 at the door.
- Food booths during the dance behind the hall: menudo, tripitas, brisket burritos, hamburgers, sweets, snowcones, nachos and drinks.

Sunday, May 7 -

- Parade, 2 p.m. starting at OLPH Catholic Church and ending at the town square.
- Social fund-raiser, 3 p.m. at the town square - jumping castles, nachos, hamburgers, lemonade, taquitos, corn on the cob, funnel cakes, fruit cups, door prizes and big raffle.
- Live music by Tri City Band and Marriachi Deseo.

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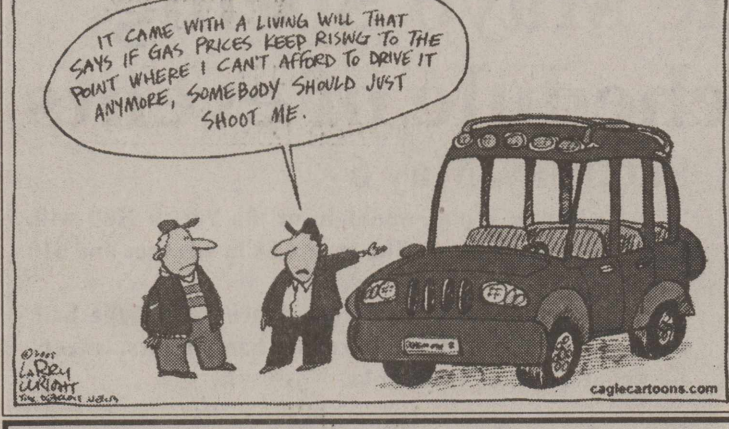
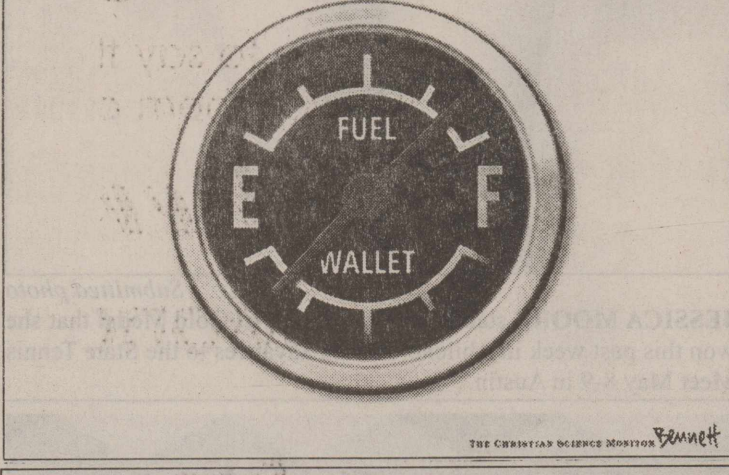
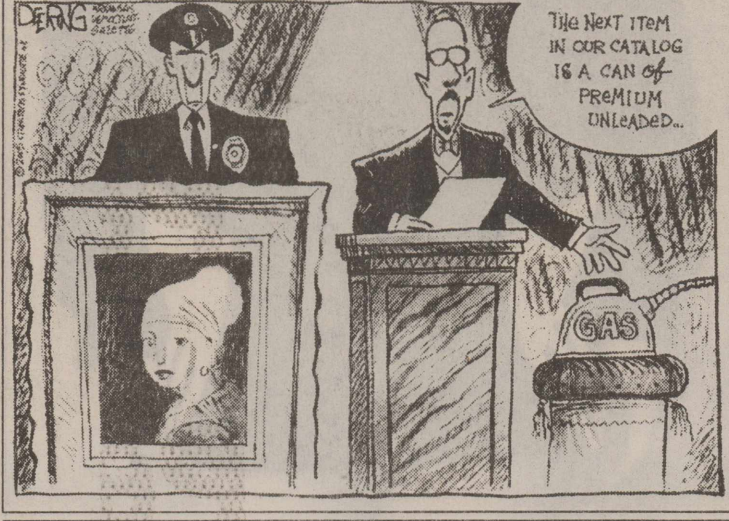
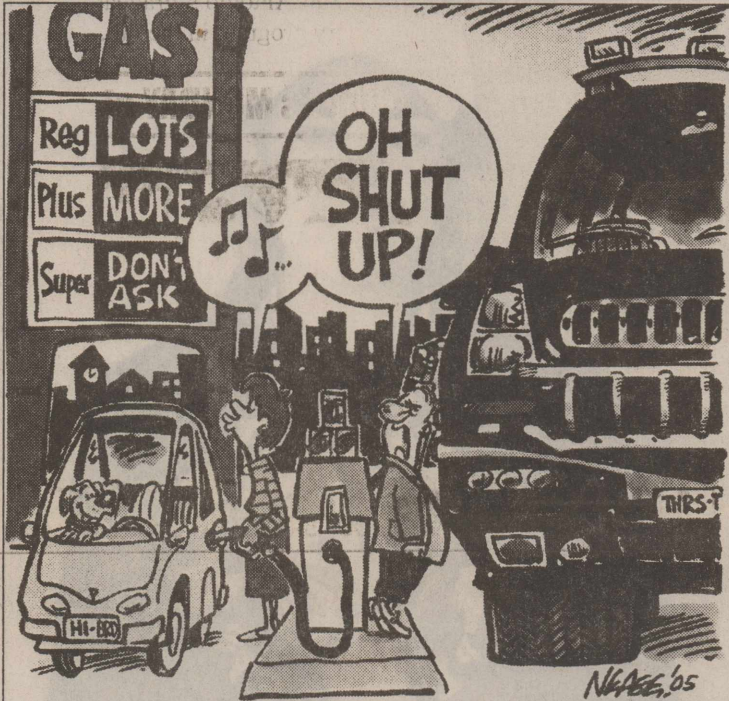
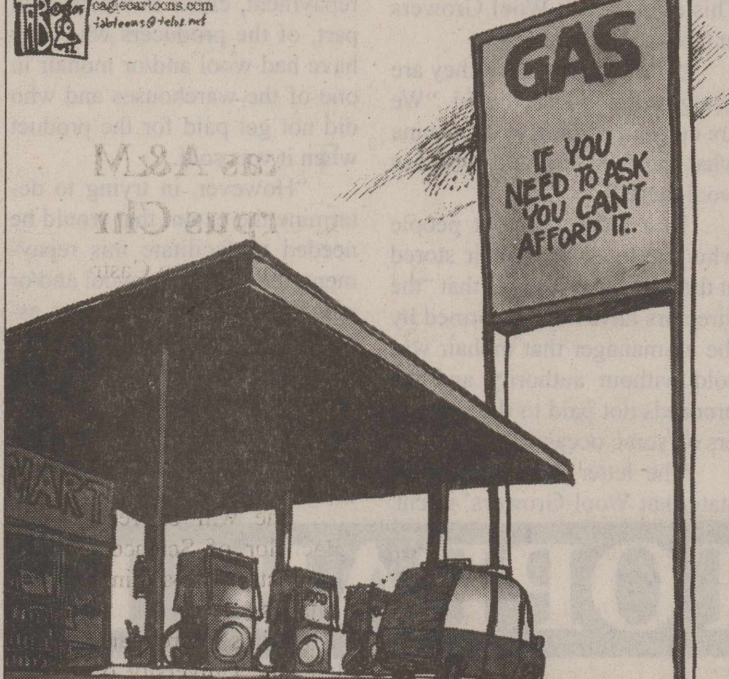
What's on My Mind

By Melissa Perner

Gas price humor

As the price of gas continues to fluctuate, unfortunately most of us, I thought we could all use some gas price humor.

To report any incidents of price gouging, call the U.S. Department of Energy at 1-800-244-3301 or visit <http://gaswatch.energy.gov/>.



Community Calendar

- May 3** - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
• Domino games, 2 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- May 4** - Ladies bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
• OHS Computer Science Team at the State UIL Academic Meet in Austin.
- May 5** - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
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- May 6** - Ozona Chamber of Commerce Banquet, 6 p.m. at the Fairpark Convention Center.
• Cinco de Mayo dance, 8 p.m. - midnight at the Parish Hall.
- May 7** - Cinco de Mayo celebration, 2 p.m. Parade, 3 p.m. social fund-raiser, town square.
- May 8** - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
• Ladies bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
• Crockett County Commissioners Court meeting, 9 a.m. at the Courthouse Annex.
• OHS Tennis at the State Meet in Round Rock.
• OMS Academic Awards Banquet at 6 p.m. at the Civic Center.
- May 9** - OHS Tennis at the State Meet in Round Rock.
- May 10** - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
• Domino games, 2 p.m. at the Senior Center.
• OHS Academic Awards, 6 p.m. at the OHS Auditorium.



NEWS REEL APRIL 29, 1976

Ozona High School top graduates for the 1975-1976 graduating class are Valedictorian Monica Delgado with an average of 95.0. She is the only magna cum laude graduate. Salutatorian is Alex Guerra, with an average of 93.29.

Four Ozona Lion tracksters will be competing in the Regional Meet in Odessa. Those qualifying are Ronald Shaw, Rodney Ruthardt, Lonnie Martinez and Clifford Crawford.

The Ozona Lion golfer won the District 6-AA golf championship this past weekend. Competing for the Lions were: Ronald Koerth, Kirby Kirklen, Eugene Hood, Mike Hays, Tony Conner, Wilson Hill and Cliff McMullan.

NEWS REEL MAY 1, 1947

Mrs. L.M. (Chappo) Morrison Jr., a recent bride, was introduced to friends of the area Tuesday morning when Mrs. L.M. Morrison Sr., entertained in her honor with a coffee in the garden at the Morrison home.

Mrs. Frank James, Mrs. George Montgomery, Mrs. Richard Miller and Mrs. Vera Baker were in Odessa Sunday for a visit with Mrs. Ben Lemmons, a former Ozonan.

(Best of) It's the Pitts by Lee Pitts

Auction Bloopers

America loves a good wreck. After hanging around auctions for 35 years I must admit that I've seen my share. Like these head-on collisions, for instance.

Plowing New Ground I'll never forget (and neither will he) the time an auctioneer was going to revolutionize the horse auction business by chanting while sitting astride a horse. The first time a ring man let out a shrill yell right in front of the auctioneer's mount the colonel went on an unscheduled flight that landed him in the hospital. In addition to seeing a great exhibition of bronc riding the crowd heard six seconds of colorful language never uttered before or since by any pedigree reader.

OOPS! When a famous local auctioneer could not attend an important charity auction he called his friend and asked him to stand in for him. The replacement is a great auctioneer but because he was not from the area he was unfamiliar with all the bigwig dignitaries in attendance. When he introduced the local state assemblyman prior to the sale and asked him to stand instead of polite applause you could have heard a pin drop. You see, the local politician was a paraplegic confined to a wheelchair. Needless to say, he could not stand up. As you'd expect the auction then got off to a rather cold start.

The Price of Progress A sale manager I know has always been one of the first to try new ideas and adapt new technology. He was the first one I'm aware of to implement buyer numbers instead of names at bull sales. But the first time he tried it an elderly gentleman held up his buyer number on the first bull and thereafter the ring man just called out the old man's number instead of his name whenever he bought a bull. Unfortunately the man was not always aware that he had bought the bull. When he went to settle up he expected to pay for three bulls. He had actually bought 17!

Computer Crash Speaking of early adopters another friend of mine was one of the last to computerize his auction market.

In its inaugural run the computer was malfunctioning and slowing things down so bad that the auctioneer/owner got so fed up with it that he grabbed the computer off the auction block, raised it over his head and slammed it into the auction ring with great fanfare. It was lost for good I'm afraid... along with all the names and prices of all the cattle sold that day!

Spitting Fire I'll never forget the day we tried to sell Angus bulls with a faulty sound system, outside, during a thunder and lightning storm in the Arizona desert. It's the first and only time I have actually seen five inch sparks of electricity between the microphone and the auctioneer's tongue!

Spoking of Spitting The very first llama sale I ever worked I was warned that llamas will occasionally sputter spittle on you. I was also told that they warn you in advance by rolling their lips around in a circle. As I was working ring I turned around to turn in a bid and not a foot from my face was a llama showing all the signs of a premature eruption. I dodged out of the way just in time so that the llama's massive missive landed right on the expensive leather outfit of the heretofore volume buyer.

A Slip Off The Old Block Other auctioneers are always trying to improve on the methods used by farm and cattle auctioneers but it can't be done. I know one charity auctioneer who demanded a raised round stage in the middle of his audience about three feet off the ground. Instead of ring men yelling in their bids he had his ring men armed with flashlights with green tissue paper over the end. The idea was that when the room was darkened the green rays could be seen. Unfortunately the lights had to be turned down so low the ring men could not see the bids. And because the auctioneer had to turn 360 degrees in all directions he got to spinning around so fast he got dizzy, fell off the raised stage and broke his foot in five places. Fortunately the charity auction was for the Red Cross so disaster relief was close at hand.

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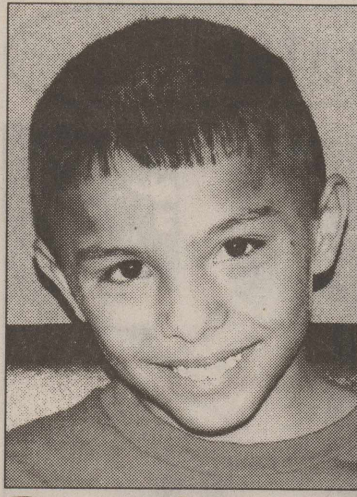
BY TINA JARVIS

Tuesday night lessons started again at the Senior Building at 7:00. Danny and Tammi Monzingo from Big Lake, Tesla and Barbara Jean Caperton and another student attended this lesson. Club Members Leroy and Carol Adcock, Jim Couch, Renee Padier, Nell Wester, JoAnn Babbitt, Lucy Hinde and Tina Jarvis were there to help with the lessons.

Friday night club members Leroy and Carol Adcock, Raul De La Rosa, Nell Wester, JoAnn Babbitt, Renee Padier, Jim Couch, Lucy Hinde, Sandy and Dale Bebee danced at the Care

Center at 7:00. After they finished dancing and were leaving for the Senior building a couple from Hot Springs Village, Arkansas, Dick and Marcia Warrnick came up and asked if they could dance with them. Dick and Marcia danced with the Desoto Square Dancers and danced mainstream, plus and "A". Dick and Marcia joined our club members at the Senior building and danced plus with us. We were so glad that square dancers traveling through got the information about our dancing and joined us.

Our Next lesson is Tuesday night at 7:00 at the Senior Building. Keep it square and happy dancing!



Ryan Porras excels in reading

Nine-year-old third-grader Ryan Porras completed reading more than 200 books this year.

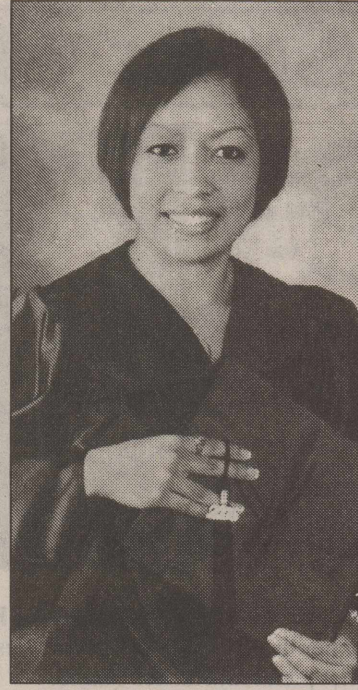
"This is a great accomplishment," said Elizabeth Clark who teaches Ryan in her dyslexia class.

Odessa men's softball tourney seeking entries

There will be a men's "ARENA" Softball Tournament on May 20 in Odessa at the UTPB Softball Complex.

Tournament is ASA entry cost of \$150 (unsanctioned teams \$160), and is a double-elimination.

Deadline to enter is May 17. For more informatoin, call Michelle at (432) 552-7426 or the Odessa Softball Association at (432) 550-7811.



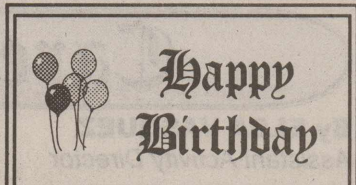
Castro to graduate from Texas A&M-Corpus Christi

Erin Yvonne Castro, a 2002 Ozona High School graduate, will be graduating from Texas A&M University in Corpus Christi on May 13, 2006.

Ceremonies will be held at the American Bank Center at 1:30 p.m.

She will be receiving her Bachelor of Science degree in chemistry with a minor in mathematics.

Erin's future plans are to attend the University of Texas at San Antonio's graduate chemistry program in the fall.



May 3 - Rita Rios, Peggy Dickerson, Cristy Dominguez, Bianca Aiguier, Kristen Mendoza and Josh Smith

May 4 - Billie Lovell, Michael Ramos, James Galindo, Camille Hernandez, Preston McCutcheon, Austin Perez and Jalen Lopez

May 5 - Elma Buckner and Amber Batura

May 7 - Renee Padier, Kimberly Nowell, John Craig, Monica Ortiz, Reagan Lee Barrera, Allyson Gaige, Luke Burk and Allisha Alba

May 8 - Ollie May Chadwick and Samantha Lara

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Ozona Senior Happenings

By LYNN ENGLISH
Senior Center Director

For those who may have forgotten, it is the first of May and we are still in need of rain in most of Crockett County. I heard they received more than two inches in Pandale Friday night.

The Spring Health Fair we had here at the Senior Center on April 26 was successful with 22 people with the vending booths and 75 people signed in to participate. I want to thank all of our vendors and E.A. Wadsworth R.N. who organized the event plus cooked the beans. Also, we thank Nancy Hale for arranging for the food, Tracy Hildebreth for the wonderful fruit trays and Jovita Perez who translated the filters from English to Spanish and distributed them to the public. We want to thank the Hitchin' Post, Village Drug, Pepe's Cafe, Westerman Drug and Primary Care of San Angelo for providing us with door prizes. Thank you all for a job well done.

Last week, I went by to check on Al and Betty Fields. It was good seeing them and Al appeared to be healing real well. Isn't he remarkable? We are happy to have you both back in Ozona.

Several of us went out Saturday morning to Mark and Patsy White's ranch for a Trail Ride sponsored by the Crockett County Museum. We all had a wonderful time and the food was very good. We were all delighted when Norma Carson found an old kitchen knife that was probably left there in the 19th century. Good for you Norma.

Friday, I went to the San Angelo Area Agency on Aging meeting. I learned about two new programs that we may be interested in doing. The people and the information truly makes the trip to San Angelo worth while.

Bud and Marilyn Cox have

returned from their Las Vegas trip. They said they had a great time. We are happy to have you back with us in Ozona.

The next Pot Luck will be May 10. We are planning for you to come out and join us.

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

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

Our exercise class, "Walk Two Miles" is still going very well. The exercise conditions you to begin your day. We meet at 8:30 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

The group of "Two Mile Walkers" that are "Walking Across Texas" are in first place as of last Friday, ahead of the "ONB" group who are in second place. Watch out "ONB" all of us grannies are hard to beat.

A group of 8-12 ladies are still coming to the Senior Center to play bridge. They are looking bright and cheerful in their pretty frocks. They are playing bridge at 1:30 p.m. Monday and Thursday. The ladies who come have such fun and bring smiles with them. Come by and let them cheer up your Mondays and Thursdays. Liz Williams called last week to let us know that she is anxious to get back to playing bridge. Liz we are all missing you.

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

Hope to see you at our activities. They are for those of you 50 years of age or over (we are flexible). Come out and see what you are missing.

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The cost of an Inflatable Sports Tunnel is approximately \$6,500.00. We have received \$1,725.00 in donations, we are asking all Ozona Lion Fans and supporters to help us raise the rest of the funds, so we can purchase the Sports Tunnel before the beginning of Football Season next year, as we compete against Cities in a new District.
The following business's have already made a donation: Sonic- \$500.00, Napa - \$250.00, Triple C - \$125.00, Mi Taco - \$200.00, JET Supply - \$100.00, Patterson - \$300.00, Knights of Columbus - \$200.00, Hitchin Post Steakhouse - \$50.00. We challenge all our businesses and local sports fans to support our Lion Athletes and join these Business's and organization by making a donation.
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Care Center Chatter

By **ELSA VASQUEZ**
Assistant Activity Director



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CARE CENTER VOLUNTEERS ATTENDING a party in their honor are: Judy Reagor, Nell Wester, Carol Adcock, Lucy Hinds & (not pictured) Rachel Ybarra.

We had a very good week this past week due to our excitement over our celebration for our volunteers.

You know, things around here would not be the same as now if we did not have all these wonderful people that come in. They have smile and brighten up everyone. I know that when they leave, they feel much better because our residents love them so much.

Everyone is deeply appreciated and greatly of all, God appreciates the good work his children do.

Monday is reading and trivia with E.A. Wadsworth R.N.

Tuesdays has the residents favorite game of Volley ball and services with members of the First Baptist Church of Ozona.

On Wednesday, Judy Reagor came. We had such a good time with our party and beautiful singing. We all sang "Happy Birthday" to Judy. She was so surprised.

It's a boy

Grant Ashley Childress was born at 4:38 p.m. Thursday, April 27, 2006 at San Angelo Community Medical Center.

He weighed 7 pounds, 1 ounce and was 19-inches long.

Welcoming him home were big brother Carson and parents Clay and Shelly Childress.

Paternal grandparents are Bob and Vivian Childress of Ozona and Judy and Tony Hall of Junction. Great-grandmother is Crystelle Childress of Ozona. Aunt and uncle are Karin and Ira Childress of Ozona.

Maternal grandparents are Gayla and Danny Young of San Angelo and Ronnie Ashley of San Angelo. Great-grandmother Eddie Mae Ashley of San Angelo. Great-grandparents Billy Dan and Sue Sorrell of Lake Coleman. Uncle is Travis Ashley of Batesville, Ark.

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Thursday's beauty shop was with Nell Wester, who makes our resident ladies look and feel great by talking and laughing. Rachel Ybarra feeds us. She always brings the best from her kitchen. Jan and I are working, but we just have the best time.

On Friday afternoon, we had a new volunteer, Joann Babbit. She helped us with trivia and

made it fun. Joann will be coming on Thursdays.

The Levis and Lace Square Dancers also came Friday night. Lucy Hinde and Ann Shaw are our "Angels of Gifts" for bingo.

One more time, we thank all the volunteers: the before, the now and the new to come. God Bless!

Card of Thanks

The family of Pleas L. Childress, Jr. greatly appreciates all those who helped him in the past year. We want to thank Dr. Marcus Sims and his staff for their support and excellent care.

We also want to thank the nurses of Med-Way Home Health. They are: Beth Childress, RN, Vicki Childress, RN, Valerie Fierro, RN, Margie Cordova, LVN, and Mickey Leija, LVN. They were always available when we needed them. They were extremely professional, and, at the same time, deeply concerned and compassionate. And although our family member, Vicki Childress, joins us in thanking the others, the rest of us want to mention her as she so selflessly gave of her time to come and care for her grandfather-in-law, both before and after her job at the Care Center. It was a loving and invaluable gift to him and to us as well.

Also, Brett "Hoss" Scott, physical therapist, greatly contributed to Pleas' quality of life for many months.

We also thank the wonderful caregivers who provided such excellent care. The primary ones were: Romelia Fierro, Veronica Hernandez, Sandra Tambunga, Linda Kay Vasquez, and Veronica Vasquez. Others who came less frequently but were equally invaluable were: Rafaela Perez, Linda Rodriguez, Elisa Sentena and Cindy Quigley. Theirs was a job filled with many complexities, but they handled everything with care, calm and a great deal of expertise. Their compassion and understanding will always be appreciated and remembered.

We also want to thank the two pharmacists in Ozona, Rick Bird and Laura Parker who worked with us in providing supplies and advice as well as medicines.

And finally we want to thank the men and women who brought in food and other items to help us during the past year.

We feel Ozona is blessed to have all of these people to help care for its elderly, and we are especially grateful for their help to our family.

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Obituaries

Katharina Maney

Katharina (Katy) Maney, 83, of Ozona and Langenpreising, Germany died Monday, April 24, 2006 in Fort Worth after a short illness.

Katy was born on July 30, 1922 in Langenpreising, Germany the daughter of Georg and Maria Haneder. In 1948, she married Orvol H. Maney in Freising, Germany and the following year they moved to Muskogee, Okla. In the next few years, they added a son, Derold, and a daughter, Maryan, to their family as they were transferred to Washington, Austin, Libya and lastly to Ozona in 1960 where they eventually retired.

Upon settling in Ozona, Katy began a long career at the Village Drug where she made many life long friendships. It was one of the highlights of her life.

Preceding her in death were her parents and her husband, Orval Maney.

She is survived by her daughter, Maryan and her husband, Billy Thompson, her son Derold and his wife Doris, her friend and companion of 15 years, Hermann Messerschmidt, her grandchildren Shauna Ballard and her husband James, Jimmy McCary and his wife Brenda and one grandchild Kaelynn Ballard.

Graveside services were held Friday, April 28, 2006 at Cedar Hill Cemetery in Ozona.

I Am Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took His hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day
To laugh, to love, to work, or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way.
I found that place at the end of the day.

If my parting has left a void
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss.
Ah yes, these things, I too, will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow.
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much,
Good friends, good times, loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me
God wanted me now, He set me free.

-Author unknown

The Rev. Louis James Droll

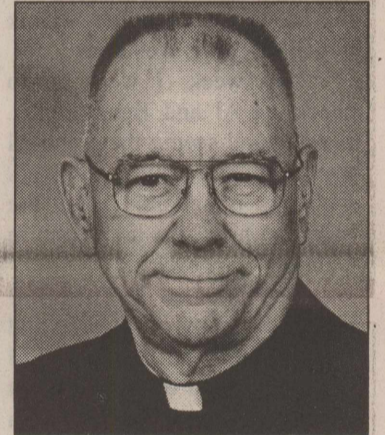
The Rev. Louis James Droll, 73, passed away Sunday, April 23, at Padua Place in San Antonio. Droll served the Diocese of San Angelo from March 9, 1968, until his retirement on May 16, 1995. A Rosary was held at Johnson's Funeral Home in San Angelo on April 26 with Msgr. Fred Nawarskas presiding at the Rosary and Msgr. Benedict Zientek delivering the eulogy.

Fr. Droll's funeral Mass was April 27 at St. Joseph Church in Rowena. The Most Rev. Michael D. Pfeifer, OMI, Bishop of San Angelo, will be the celebrant; Msgr. Elmer Holtman of Austin will give the homily; and Msgr. Larry Droll will say the closing prayer for the funeral Mass and preside over the burial service. Fr. Droll will be interred in Rowena.

Fr. Droll was born April 3, 1933, in Rowena, to Louis A. and Odelia Droll, both of whom preceded him in death. He is also preceded in death by a brother Victor Droll and a sister-in-law Frances Droll.

Fr. Droll is survived by a sister, Alma Mixon, and her husband, E.C., of Georgetown and children Gerald, JoAnn, Suzanne, Dennis, Timothy, and Exley III; a brother, Daniel Droll and his wife, Kathy, of McAllen, and their children Mary Ellen, David and Dina; and Victor and Frances' children, Maureen and Charles.

While with the Diocese of San Angelo, Fr. Droll was assigned to Sacred Heart Cathedral, San Angelo, as pastor; Sacred Heart, Abilene and St. Joachim, Clyde, assistant pastor; Central Catholic High School and Grade School, Abilene, principal; Holy



Angels, San Angelo, associate pastor; St. Joseph's, San Angelo, administrator; St. John's Hospital, San Angelo, chaplain; Catholic Charities, San Angelo, and Social Action, director; St. Therese, Carlsbad, and St. Paschal Mission, Sterling City; Angelo State University, San Angelo, chaplain; St. Margaret, San Angelo, pastor. Fr. Droll also worked served chaplaincies at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Washington D.C.; the Federal Correctional Institute in Texarkana, and at the U.S. Medical Center for Federal Prisoners in Springfield, Mo.

Prior to entering the priesthood, Fr. Droll worked for the American Cancer Society in San Angelo. He was educated at St. Joseph's Elementary School, Rowena; Stephen F. Austin High School, Austin; the University of Texas at Austin; St. Mary's Seminary in Houston; Immaculate Conception Seminary, Conception, Mo.; and the University of Texas Graduate School, Austin (Master's in Education).

Pallbearers were Gerald Mixon; David, Robert, Montey, Herbert, and Craig Biedermann; and Exley Mixon III.

DAD'S PARKA

Some people call them arctic coats while others call them parkas anyway they are heavy coats and they protect you from the cold. They are made from special material and have a hood that zips up to only leave a very small opening to keep out the snow. When our family was living in northern Japan my dad had one for his work. Sometimes he would let me wear his if he wasn't working. It snowed a lot there and we never saw the ground till spring. When I wore the coat sometimes soldiers would salute me thinking it was my dad. I got a big kick out of it because they had mistaken me for him. As I look back that event reminds me of something that happens to all Christians. When we become aware of Who God is and our state of sinfulness, (Romans 3:23) and what Christ has done on the cross and we ask forgiveness and call upon Christ to save us, (to be our Lord and Savior, Romans 3:21&22), God looks at us in a different way, (Romans 3:25&26). Just like my identity was hidden under my dad's heavy coat, our identity is hidden in Christ. When God looks at us He sees the person or righteousness of Christ. It has been given to every Christian as a gift, (Romans 3:24-26, Romans 6:23). Let us give thanks, (James 1:17).

See you in Church next Sunday.

Brother J

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802 1st St.
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Tracy's Tidbits

By Tracy Hildreth CEA-FCS



Managing diabetes by reading nutrition labels

One of the best tools to use for establishing healthy eating habits is reading nutrition labels.

People with diabetes especially should read the fat, fiber, sodium and carbohydrate content of their packaged foods. In particular, they should look for "hidden sugars," which are added to foods but not labeled as "sugar."

Some of these ingredients are sucrose, fructose (and many other words that end with "ose"), corn syrup, high fructose corn syrup, dextrin, sugar alcohols, molasses, sorghum, honey, brown sugar and invert sugar.

But that's not the only information to be found by reading labels. The fat, fiber and sodium content of foods are also listed.

People with diabetes can eat healthier if they limit total fat intake to 30 percent or less of their daily calories; 10 percent or less should be saturated fats.

If a food is labeled "fat-free," that means it has less than 0.5 grams of fat.

Other definitions are:
- Low-fat: contains three grams of fat or less;

- Reduced fat: has at least 25 percent less fat than similar foods that have are not reduced fat;

- Cholesterol-free: contains less than two milligrams cholesterol and two grams or less saturated fat;

- Low cholesterol: has 20 milligrams or less cholesterol and two grams saturated fat;

- Reduced cholesterol: has

at least 25 percent less cholesterol and two grams or less saturated fat.

While decreasing fat intake, people with diabetes – and anyone else who wants to eat healthier – should increase fiber intake to help lower levels of glucose and fat in the blood. In a healthful meal plan, about 25 to 30 grams of fiber should be consumed each day.

A good source of fiber provides three to five grams – or 10 percent to 19 percent – of the daily value of fiber. High fiber sources provide five grams, or 20 percent or more. Whole-grain products are a good source of dietary fiber.

People with diabetes often need to watch their salt intake too, and label information can help there. When checking for salt content, watch for the words "salt," "sodium" or "soda."

Helpful definitions regarding sodium content of foods include:

- Sodium-free: contains less than 5 milligrams of sodium;

- Very low sodium: contains 35 milligrams of sodium or less;

- Low sodium: contains 140 milligrams or less;

- Reduced sodium: contains 25 percent less sodium.

Calorie count is also an important aspect of label-reading. Watch for these terms:

- Calorie-free: contains less than 5 calories per serving;

- Low-calorie: contains 40 calories or less per serving;

- Sugar-free: contains less

than 1/2 gram of sugar per serving;

- Reduced sugar: contains at least 25 percent less sugar;

- Artificially sweetened: contains artificial sweetener;

- Juice-packed: packed in natural fruit juice;

- Water-packed: packed in water.

If a label claims a food is "Lite" or "Light," use caution. No federal regulations define these terms so read the label carefully.

When it comes to reading labels, remember the first ingredient listed is the one the product contains the most of, by weight. Ingredients are listed in descending order by weight, greatest to least, on labels, so if sugar is listed at the top of the list, the food probably contains too much sugar.

Because more and more people – those with diabetes and many without – are interested in eating healthier, many food manufacturers are producing more and more healthful foods.

Knowing how to interpret food labels can help with meal planning – and food enjoyment.

For more information on living with diabetes, plan to attend the Do Well, Be Well with Diabetes program. Classes will be held at the Extension Office, 1301 Avenue AA (next to the Convention Center). We will meet Thursday evenings beginning at 6 p.m., with the final class being June 1.

For more information call 392-2721.

USDA Rural Development announces \$20 million available for distance learning and telemedicine

TEMPLE - Agriculture Under Secretary for Rural Development, Thomas C. Dorr, announced April 14 the availability of \$20 million in grants to rural communities to strengthen distance learning and telemedicine programs in rural America.

"The specialized health care and enhanced educational opportunities brought by modern technologies saves lives and promotes opportunities essential to the advancement of rural areas," said Dorr. "USDA Rural Development's funding for distance learning and telemedicine will help to bring technology into rural America to build strong and vibrant communities."

"Distance learning and telemedicine systems are powerful tools for rural Texas," said Bryan Daniel, USDA Rural Development Texas State Director. "Through technology, students and families can participate in classes not previously available to them, and people who live in rural areas can access expanded health care options."

In Fiscal Year 2005, Texas was awarded nearly \$2.5 million to be distributed through the Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant Program. The education projects helped schools provide students with advanced educational tools.

Distance learning projects provide funding for computers and internet connections in schools and libraries. The vast array of study options available to rural students through distance learning technologies literally brings the world to their

doorstep. Telemedicine projects are providing new and improved healthcare services beginning with patient diagnosis, through surgical procedures, and post-operative treatment.

Applications for the \$20 million in grants must be received by June 12, 2006 and will compete nationally for funding. The application guide and materials can be obtained online at <http://www.usda.gov/rus/telecom/dlt/dlt.htm> or by contacting the Distance Learning and Telemedicine Program at (202) 720-0413.

USDA Rural Development

strives to see that rural citizens can participate fully in the global economy by providing technical assistance, funding, and other programs that help rural Americans build strong economies to improve their quality of life.

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Lions, Lady Lions perform well at Regional Track Meet

The Ozona Lions and Lady Lions performed well this past weekend at the Regional Track meet in Abilene.

Levi English finished fourth in the 1,600-meters and fifth in the 3,200-meters for the Lions.

Allison Skehan ran the 800-meter dash and finished 11th out of 24 girls at the meet with a time of 2:34:86.

"She ran great and worked so hard all season. We will miss her senior leadership and competitiveness that she brought to the team," said Coach Justin Holloway.

Sara Dorrrough ran a good race in the 400-meter dash with a time of 64.23.

"She ran well all season and we look forward to things to come from her," Holloway said.

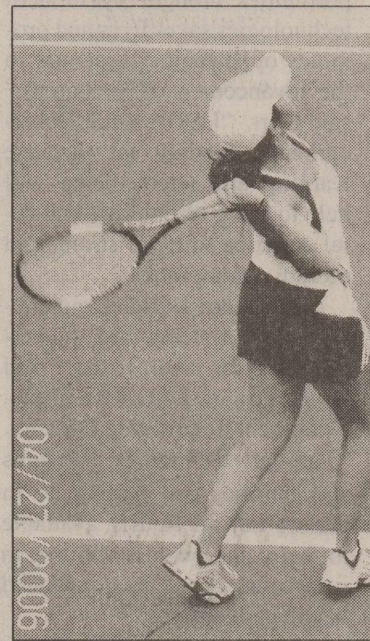


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LEVI ENGLISH RAN placed fourth in the 1,600 meters and fifth in the 3,200 at the Regional track meet in Abilene.

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of adjectives to describe what she has done, and is continuing to do this season. Several of the top players at this year's contest were really gunning for her and had been polishing their game just to try and beat her, and they still couldn't get the job done. She plays such a smart game mentally that she is able to remain one or two moves ahead of her competi-



Submitted Photo
JESSICA MOORE at the regional tennis tournament.

tors," Bachman said. "I feel so truly blessed to be going to state again. I am so excited! I believe that because this is my last year, it has pushed me to treat each match as if it were my last, and so I have pushed myself even harder. Because I am a senior, I feel that I have matured mentally and in tennis, it is really important to be able to keep it together to pull out a win. Above all, it is really important to love what you are doing, and this year I am really loving it, and having fun," Moore added.

In her first round and quarter-final matches on Wednesday, Jessica defeated Laura Garcia of Crane 6-0, 6-0 and Adrienne Borgman of Henrietta 6-0, 6-2 respectively.

In her run for the championship on Thursday, Jessica defeated Kiley Allred of San Saba 6-2, 6-4 in the semis, and Gretchen Ashley of Canadian 6-0, 6-2 in the finals.

"Allred and Ashley are both great, veteran tennis players and Jessica just took control of each match, stayed calm, and drew both

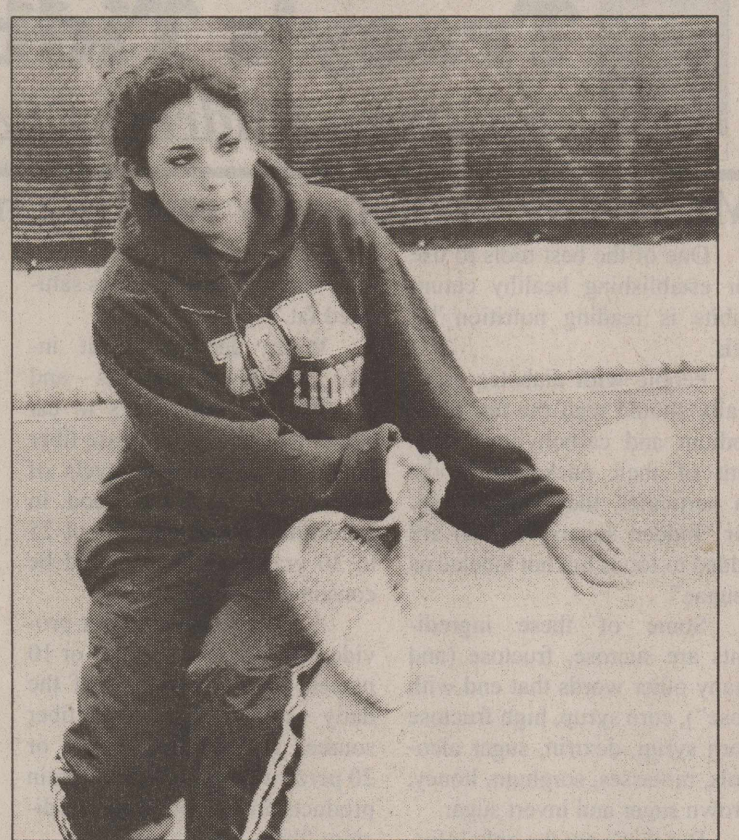


Photo by Joe Hernandez

JESSICA MOORE in a photo from the Ozona Tennis Tournament. Moore has not lost a match all season as she heads to State as the Region 1-2A champion.

of them into a game in which they just couldn't compete. Her final with Ashley was a rematch of last year's final which went three sets, so we were prepared

for a battle, but Jessica reeled off nine games in a row to start the match and secure her second consecutive regional gold medal," Bachman said.

Middle school tennis team takes third at Mason tourney

By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher

The Ozona Middle School tennis team traveled to Mason this past Friday and Saturday to participate for the very first time in the Mason Invitational Team Tennis Tournament.

Of the 12 teams playing in the tournament, the OMS team was able to finish third overall after defeating San Saba in a very close contest for the third place spot.

The team defeated Mason's "B" team in the first round 11-0, and then went on to beat Fredericksburg 12-5 in their quarter-final match.

The OMS team then lost a very close semi-final match to Kerrville 10-8, but rebounded to beat San Saba for third place 10-9.

"This was truly a fantastic opportunity for all of the kids who were able to go and experience team tennis and will help

them tremendously when they get to high school and play team tennis at that level. I went into this not really knowing how we would do, and I'm elated with the way everyone fought and battled in each match to finish in the top three. Each and every player on this team played their hearts out and gave a total team effort in this huge event, and I can't think of a better way for them to finish their season," said Coach Rick Bachman.

TEAM STATS:

First Round -
Ozona 11 - Mason "B" 0

Girls Doubles:

1. Britni Mitchel & Angelic Gutierrez defeated Gonzales & Hamilton 8-1 2. Sophie Trevino & Diana Rodriguez defeated Ake & Draper 8-6 3. Alex Macias & Brandi Glosson defeated Hudson & Flores 8-1

Girls Singles:

1. Britni Mitchel defeated

Blair by default 2. Angelic Gutierrez defeated Myrick by default

Boys Singles:

1. Russel Komechak defeated Wauzryniak 8-4 2. Austin Whitten defeated Bjork 8-3 3. Kyle Dean defeated Hudson 8-4 4. Corey Kelley defeated Wood 8-4 5. Kyle Sewell defeated Chew 8-2 6. Stefan Wilson defeated Hemphill 8-2

Quarter-Finals -
Ozona 12 - Fredericksburg 5

Girls Doubles:

1. Britni Mitchel & Angelic Gutierrez lost to Brady & Setterbo 9-8 2. Sophie Trevino & Diana Rodriguez defeated Welsh & Welsh 8-6 3. Alex Macias & Brandi Glosson lost to Drury & Tatsch 8-6

Boys Doubles:

1. Kyle Dean & Austin Whitten lost to Pounds & Beckman 8-2 2. Corey Kelley & Russel Komechak defeated Springer & Blackmon 8-5 3. Kyle Sewell & Lalo Longoria defeated Gremmer & Kunz 8-6

Mixed Doubles:

1. Rae Lynn Arredondo & Anthony Gonzales defeated Crenwelge & Kyle 9-7

Girls Singles:

1. Britni Mitchel vs. Brady 4-4 (DNF) 2. Angelic Gutierrez vs. Setterbo 4-4 (DNF) 3. Diana Rodriguez defeated Welsh 8-4 4. Rae Lynn Arredondo defeated Ransleben 8-6 5. Brandi Glosson defeated Drury 9-7 6. Melanie Miller defeated Tatsch 8-5

Boys Singles:

1. Russel Komechak lost to Pounds 8-5 2. Austin Whitten lost to Beckman 8-6 3. Kyle Dean defeated Springer 8-2 4. Corey Kelley defeated Blackmon 8-3 5. Kyle Sewell defeated Kunz 8-4 6. Stefan Wilson defeated Gremmer 8-4

Semi-Finals -
Kerrville 10 - Ozona 8

Girls Doubles:

1. Britni Mitchel & Angelic Gutierrez defeated Etter & Osbourne 8-5 2. Sophie Trevino & Diana Rodriguez lost to Keifer & Henderson 8-1 3. Alex Macias & Brandi Glosson lost to Brock & Li 8-1

Boys Doubles:

1. Kyle Dean & Austin Whitten defeated Bigott & Waldon 8-3 2. Corey Kelley & Rus-

sel Komechak defeated Keifer & Ackmann 8-2 3. Kyle Sewell & Lalo Longoria defeated Jordan & Lemmon 8-4

Mixed Doubles:

1. Rae Lynn Arredondo & Stefan Wilson lost to Lee and Hanore-Amour 8-3

Girls Singles:

1. Britni Mitchel lost to Henderson 8-2 2. Angelic Gutierrez lost to Keifer 8-1 3. Diana Rodriguez lost to Etter 8-3 4. Brandi Glosson lost to Li 8-6 5. Alex Macias lost to Osbourne 8-1 6. Melanie Miller lost to Brock 8-0

Boys Singles:

1. Russel Komechak lost to Hanore-Armour 8-4 2. Austin Whitten defeated Bigott 8-4 3. Kyle Dean defeated Ackmann 9-8 4. Corey Kelley defeated Walden 8-3 5. Kyle Sewell defeated Jordan 8-2 6. Taylor Newton lost to Lemm 9-8

Third-Place -
Ozona 10 - San Saba 9

Girls Doubles:

1. Britni Mitchel & Angelic Gutierrez lost to Hibler & Sears 8-1 2. Sophie Trevino & Diana Rodriguez lost to Vasquez & Crosby 8-4 3. Alex Macias & Brandi Glosson defeated Cox & Hartanft 8-0

Boys Doubles:

1. Kyle Dean & Austin Whitten defeated Key & Parks 9-7 2. Corey Kelley & Russel Komechak defeated Cisneros & Verrette 8-2 3. Kyle Sewell & Lalo Longoria defeated Wells & Oliver 8-1

Mixed Doubles:

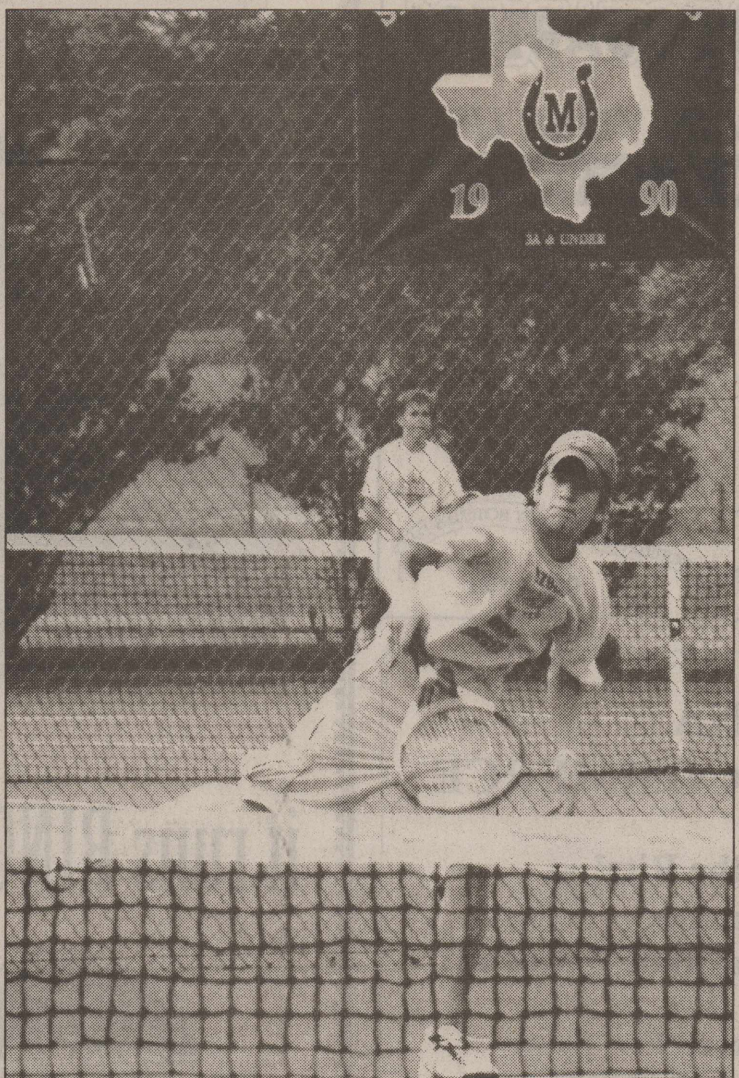
1. Rae Lynn Arredondo & Anthony Gonzales lost to Oliver & Oliver 9-7

Girls Singles:

1. Britni Mitchel lost to Hibler 8-2 2. Angelic Gutierrez lost to Sears 8-0 3. Diana Rodriguez lost to Oliver 9-8 4. Alex Macias lost to Vasquez 8-5 5. Rae Lynn Arredondo defeated Crosby 9-8 6. Melanie Miller defeated Ellis 8-2

Boys Singles:

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Submitted Photo

RUSSEL KOMECHAK competed with the Ozona Middle School tennis team at the Mason Invitational Team Tennis Tournament.

Youth Center Calendar of Events

May 3 - Youth Center Board Meetings,
5:30 p.m. Teen Board;
6:30 p.m. Adult Board

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

May 8 - High School Subway night,
7-10 p.m.

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

Youth Center Announcements

Scholarship Fund:
Donations for the Youth Center Scholarship Fund are currently being accepted. They can be mailed to P.O. Box 391, Ozona, Texas 76943

Summer Promotions:

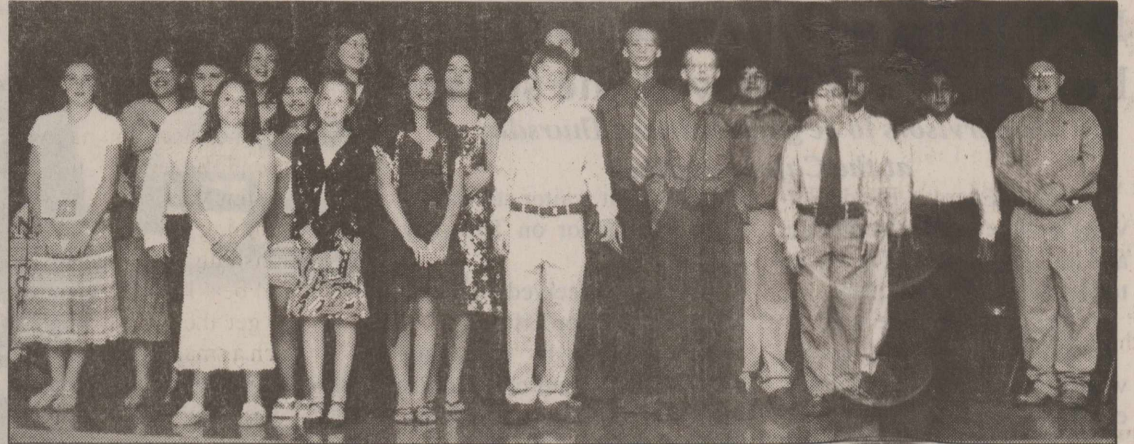
- Sixth-Graders being promoted to Seventh Grade will not be eligible to come to the Youth Center until Aug. 1.
- Eighth-Graders promoted to Ninth Grade will not be eligible to come to High School nights at the Youth Center until Aug. 1.
- Seniors who graduate in May may come to the Youth Center through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

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SYLVIA LONGORIA reads to pre-school students during "El día de los niños/El día del los libros" Monday at the Crockett County Public Library. The event emphasizes the importance of advocating literacy for every child regardless of linguistic and cultural background. Funding for the event comes from the W. K. Kellogg Foundation which awarded a grant to the Association of Library Service for Children.



Photos by Melissa Perner
TOP: Sixth and seventh grade candidates that were inducted into the National Junior Honor Society on April 24 at the Civic Center.



RIGHT: The 2006-2007 NJHS Officers (left to right): President Melanie Miller; Vice President Brenda Venegas; Secretary Rebecca Pierce and Treasurer Trey Fierro.

Students inducted into the National Junior Honor Society

Sixth and seventh grade candidates were inducted into the National Junior Honor Society during a ceremony on April 24 at the Civic Center.

Sixth Grade NJHS Candidates are: Aron Aguilar, Erik Carrizales, Craig Fluth, Kent Fluth, Collyn Gaspie, Gaby Gutierrez, Lane Hale, Kramer Hall, Emalee Hamilton, Natalie Hernandez, Michael Medina, Austin Perez, Johnna Pullig, Kelsie Ramirez, Kelbie Renfro and Isabel Ybarra.

Seventh Grade NJHS Candidates are: Jennifer Allen, Chelsea Moore and Jady Poindexter.

During the induction ceremony, Lane White led everyone in the Pledge of Alligence. The introduction was given by Alex Macias.

In the lighting of the candles,

Alex Macias spoke on scholarship while Melanie Miller lit the candle. Austin Whitten spoke on service as Brenda Venegas lit that candle.

Brandi Glosston talked about leadership as Rebecca Pierce lit the candle, and Jayci Miller spoke on citizenship and character as Trey Fierro lit those candles.

Julie Gutierrez and Brandi Glosston introduced the candidates. Austin Whitten led the candidates in the NJHS Promise.

Alex Macias led the 2006-2007 officer installation. The new officers are: President Melanie Miller; Vice President Brenda Venegas; Secretary Rebecca Pierce and Treasurer Trey Fierro.

Melanie Miller then gave closing remarks.

The Eighth Grade NJHS

Current Members are: Jesse Badillo, Dylan Castillo, Kelsey Childress, Andrew Galindo, Brandi Glosston, Julie Gutierrez, Corey Kelley, Lalo Longoria, Alex Macias, Wes McGuire, Jayci Miller, Lauren Najar, Taylor Newton, Kurtlan Reyes, Kyle Sewell, Brandyn Tebbetts, Adriana Tijerina, Jaron Vasquez, Anthony Villarreal, Lane White and Austin Whitten.

Seventh Grade NJHS Current Members are: Jose Aguilar, Murphey Black, Joe Borrego, Sean Davis, Kyle Dean, Alma Elizondo, Trey Fierro, Leandra Hernandez, Duncan Knox, Russel Komechak, Abey Lara, Jayce Logan, Kristen Mendoza, Emily Merrill, Melanie Miller, Layla Perez, Rebecca Pierce, Wilton Russell, Austin Suddreth, Brenda Venegas and Stefan Wilson.

FROM THE COUNTY AGENT

By Miles Dabovich, CEA-AG/NR

Crockett County 4-Hers perform well in judging contests

On April 22 Crockett County 4-Hers participated in the Kerrville Judging Contest.

In Kerrville Contest the Junior team of Jadie Marshall, Abby Newton, and Lana Stapper placed first in Range Judging, Lana Stapper was third High Individual and Jadie was second High Individual.

The intermediate team placed second in Range. They were Linda Stapper, Erik Carrizales, Lane White, Taylor Newton. Linda Stapper placed second High Individual.

The Senior Team of Laura Stapper, Kraig Chandler, Travis Zuberbueler and Wilson White placed second in Range. Kraig Chandler was second High Individual and Laura Stapper was third High Individual.

In the Wool & Mohair Competition at Kerrville, the intermediate, Mohair Contest Lane White, Lane Hale, and Kelbie Renfro placed third and the team of Erik Carrizales, Taylor Newton, and Linda Stapper, placed fourth. Lane White placed third High Individual.

In the intermediate Wool contest Lane White, Lane Hale, and Kelbie Renfro won first place. The team of Erik Carrizales, Taylor Newton and Linda Stapper placed fourth. Lane Hale was first High Individual, Kelbie Renfro was fourth High and Lane White was fifth High.

In the overall competition Lane White, Lane Hale and Kelbie Renfro were second and Erik Carrizales, Linda Stapper, Taylor Newton were third and Lane White was first High Overall High Individual for the second time in a row.

In the Senior Division in Kerrville: Laura Stapper, Kraig Chandler, and Wilson White placed fifth in Mohair Judging and second in Wool Judging. Kraig Chandler was first High Individual in Wool and Laura Stapper was fifth in Wool.

In the Overall Division the Crockett County Senior Team placed second and Kraig Chandler was first High Individual Overall.

Thanks to all the leaders and

parents, who traveled with the youth to Kerrville.

Crockett county 4-Her's participated in the Eldorado Range, Wool & Mohair Judging Contest on April 29.

In the Junior Range Judging Contest the team of Linda Stapper, Laura Stapper and Jadie Marshall placed first and the team of Lane White, Erik Carrizales, and Abby Newton placed second. Linda Stapper won first High Individual and Lane White won third High Individual.

In the Senior Range Judging the team of Kraig Chandler, Laura Stapper, and Wilson White placed first and Kraig Chandler won second High Individual.

In the Wool & Mohair Division the team of Laura Stapper, Emalee Hamilton and Abby Newton placed second in Mohair

and third in wool and Emalee Hamilton was first High Individual in Mohair.

In the Intermediate Division Linda Stapper, Lane Hale, Lane White and Erik Carrizales placed first in Mohair and second in Wool. Lane Hale won third High Individual in Mohair Lane White second and Linda Stapper first. Linda was third High in Wool and Lane White was second High Individual.

In the Senior division Laura Stapper, Kraig Chandler, and Wilson White placed third in Mohair, Laura Stapper placed second High Individual and Kraig Chandler was third high Individual.

The group was assisted by several 4-H Leaders and parents. The judging teams will compete next at the District contest May 13 in Del Rio.

2006 Seniors
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Albert Barrera	Kerri Mendez
Allie Bean	Victoria Miller
David Lee Borrego	Jamie Moore
Drew Clayton	Jessica Moore
Erika Conner	Malorie Moran
Daniel Cruz	Jessica Newby
Robert DeHoyos	Kayla Parks
Derek DeWolf	Tristan Ramsey
Jared Espino	Alison Skehan
Mandy Fierro	Cheyenne Taylor
Justin Galan	Jasmine Tambunga
Clint Hale	Audrey Tijerina
Whitney Hernandez	Chelsey Tobar
Ross Kelley	Emiliano Valdez
Lori Lozano	Dean Wadsworth
Michael Maldonado	Kyle Webb

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Honor your favorite graduate with an ad in the OHS Senior Salute Keepsake Section to be printed in the May 24 edition of The Ozona Stockman. Prices from \$8.50 & up. **Deadline is Friday, May 12.**

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Duke Energy to host hamburger, hot dog lunch today at the square

Supervisors to be guest waiters Thursday at the Cafe Next Door

Duke Energy Field Services will be selling hamburger and hot dog plates at 11:30 a.m. today, May 3 at the square. The cost per plate is \$5.

All proceeds will go towards American Cancer Society Relay for Life on May 19.

Also, as an additional fund-raiser, DEFS supervisors

will be guest waiter staff at the Cafe Next Door on Thursday, May 4.

All tips received will benefit the Relay for Life.

Please stop by the square on Wednesday and/or patronize the Cafe Next Door on Thursday to support the American Cancer Society.

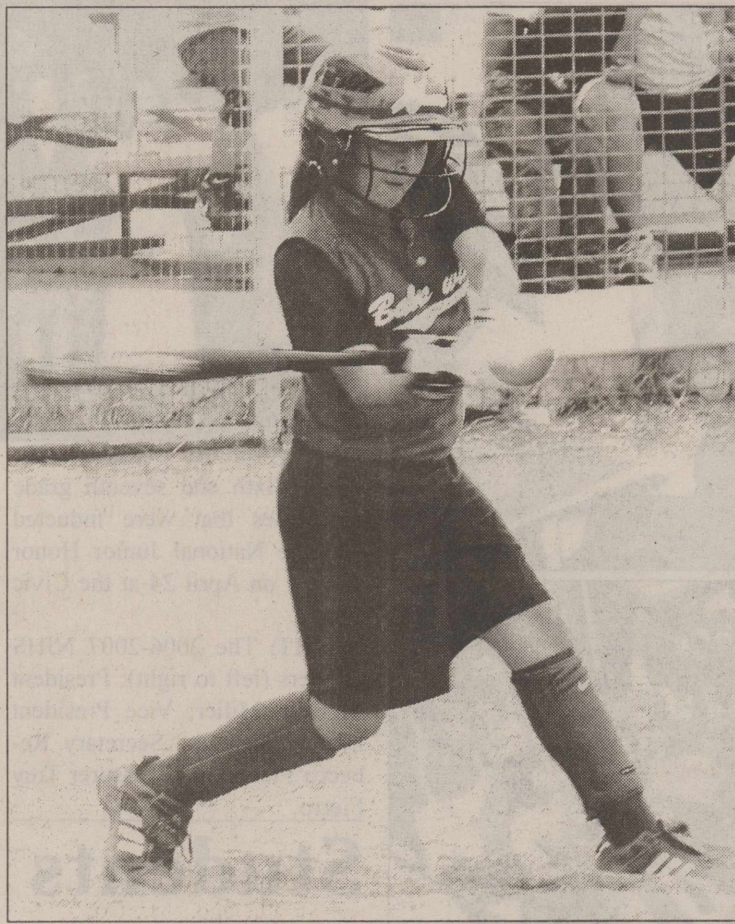


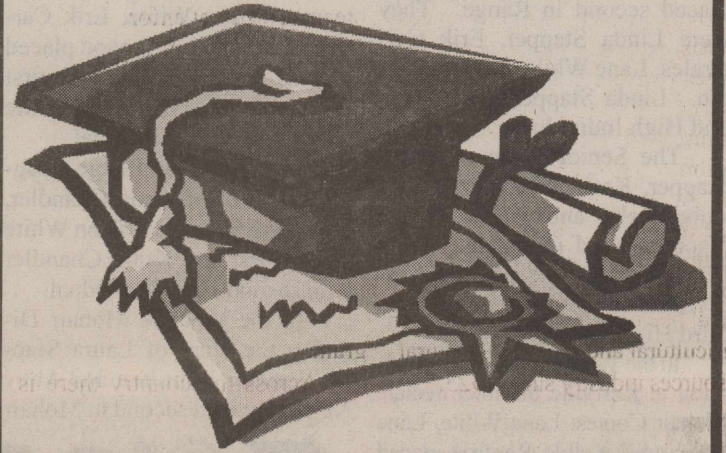
Photo by Joe Hernandez

ADRIENNE SANCHEZ MADE A TRIPLE on this hit for Ozona's new 14 and under girls' softball team. The team has been named "Babes with Attitude."

The Ozona Community Center is looking for donations of empty printer cartridges and old cell phones. They are working on new playground equipment for the Community Center. Items can be dropped off at the Community Center.

Ozona Schools Awards Banquet schedule:

- Monday, May 8 -**
Ozona Middle School Academic Awards, 6 p.m. at the Civic Center.
- Wednesday, May 10 -**
Ozona High School Academic Awards ceremony, 6 p.m. at the OHS Auditorium.
- Thursday, May 11 -**
Ozona Band Banquet, 6:30 p.m. at the Civic Center.
- Tuesday, May 16 -**
Ozona Bands Spring Concert, 6:30 p.m. at the OHS Auditorium.
- Sunday, May 21 -**
OHS Baccalaureate, 8 p.m. at the OHS Auditorium.
- Friday, May 26 -**
Eighth Grade Graduation, 10 a.m. at the OHS Auditorium.
OHS Graduation, 8 p.m. at Lion Stadium.



Ozona Athletic Physicals

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

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

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

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

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

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23rd District, Texas

Congressman Henry Bonilla



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Texas Agriculture: A History of Success

Agriculture is the backbone of the Texas economy and a vital commodity in our national trade system. Texas is the second-largest agricultural state in the United States and we lead the nation in the value of farm real estate, as well as the number and acreage of farms and ranches.

Of those who work in Texas, one in seven is employed in the agriculture industry. The once pastoral farmlands in Texas are now a booming commercial enterprise making Texas one of the nation's major exporters of agricultural products.

Agriculture is so important to the people of Texas that there are several museums that educate families and friends about its rich history. I am proud to represent the Agricultural Heritage Center & Museum located in my district in the town of Boerne. Established in 1986, this wonderful site preserves numerous historic pieces relating to the Texas Hill Country's agricultural history. Families can explore the history of the Lone Star State and even watch blacksmith's forge red hot metal into useful tools.

Because of its critical role in our economy, it is logical that agriculture is also mainstay in other areas of our daily life in Texas. You may have heard of the Aggies cheering for Texas A&M in College Station.

As we well know, the A stands for agriculture. Texas A&M University's College of Agriculture and Life Sciences consistently maintains one of the largest enrollments and ranks as one of the top colleges of agriculture and life sciences in the nation.

And let's not forget the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources at Texas Tech University where Red Raiders have been studying the modern agricultural and renewable natural resources industry since 1925.

This week I was the keynote speaker at the 2006 Texas Ag Forum hosted by the Agricultural and Food Policy Center and the Center for North American Studies, both at Texas A&M University. Founded over twenty years ago, the Texas Ag Forum provides an opportunity to educate the public on key issues affecting Texas agriculture and provide an opportunity for discussion between representatives from commodity and farm groups, as well as interested individuals. This year the leadership from every major agricultural organization in Texas was present at the forum. The topics of discussion most important to those attending the Texas Ag Forum included the U.S. Department of Agriculture National Animal Identification System (NAIS) and one of the most pressing concerns to Texas producers, relief from recent drought and wildfires that plagued the state.

In 2004, the USDA initiated the implementation of the National Animal Identification System, a voluntary State-Federal-industry partnership to safeguard the health of our nation's livestock. As Chairman of the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee, I have some serious concerns about the implementation of the NAIS in Texas.

The USDA has repeatedly stated this is a voluntary program with the goal of eventual 100% compliance. I am hopeful the state will not enforce mandatory compliance or set unrealistic deadlines which would leave little time for a transition from the current system. I am also hopeful the Texas Animal Health Commission will not impose the cost of any program on producers. The USDA has provided over \$2 million to the state for the implementation of this program.

Across the country there is

a large need for disaster assistance, but few states have been hit as hard as Texas. Producers have suffered from the flooding and wind damage of hurricanes and the drought and wildfires which have spread across our great state. I will continue to work tirelessly to ensure that any disaster package Congress might consider include assistance to address the growing needs of producers in Texas.

I have represented the 23rd Congressional District of Texas since his first election in 1992. I was appointed chairman of the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee in January of 2001. The subcommittee oversees a wide range of agriculture issues including the nation's food supply and inspection, Food and Drug Administration oversight, emergency disaster relief, agriculture research, rural development, and farm and ranch programs. In addition to funding a wide range of important, traditional programs, the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee is also responsible for the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), nationwide nutrition programs, the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), the Animal Damage Control Program, the School Lunch Program and the Federal Food Stamp Program.

Our nation is facing many challenges and we have many new issues and concerns on the agenda. I look forward to a sixth successful year overseeing the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee.

Working together with the USDA, our nation's agriculture industry will continue to be strong and prosperous. Rest assured that I will continue my efforts in Congress to meet our commitments to those who work each day to provide the food on our family's dinner table. We will continue to get the job done.

Sheffield Boot Camp youth join millions of volunteers for 18th annual National & Global Youth Service Day

By JANE HARBER
Community Relations Coordinator

Sheffield Boot Camp, one of the area's main resources for supporting and strengthening community service, mobilized more than 29 of its young people to participate in the 18th annual National & Global Youth Service Day, on April 21.

For weeks before, the youth had been working on projects they wanted to donate to various businesses and organizations in the Iraan/Sheffield area. Projects included art work created by Sheffield Boot Camp cadets, based on information they learned during a previous historical tour of the area. Other projects included making bars of soap and reading books on tape.

Planning for this event began months ago. Mr. Don Pitts, Justice of the Peace for Sheffield, Texas; Ms. Norma Sanchez, Case Worker for Sheffield Boot Camp; Mrs. Teresa Rodriguez, a representative of the School Board and Human Resources Administrator

at the boot camp; Captain Greg Serrata and Community Relations Coordinator Jane Harber all were involved in the planning of the weekend's events. Six boot camp cadets (whose names are being withheld because of their ages) also participated on the planning committee.

The projects were brought to the community on April 21, and donated to various businesses and organizations in the area. Mr. Jim Cade, President of the TransPecos Bank in Iraan, accepted two art pieces for permanent display in the bank. Mrs. Paula Miller accepted one drawing and a book read on tape, on behalf of the Iraan Library. Mrs. Teresa Callahan, Iraan General Hospital's Administrator, accepted a drawing and a donation of bars of soap for hospital patients. And Jerry Fortune, Pastor of the Mother Holmes Baptist Church in Sheffield, accepted several pieces of artwork and an amount of soap bars on behalf of the Hospitality House in Sheffield. All recipients were glad to receive their gifts.

The cadets at Sheffield Boot Camp were glad to be able to participate in this project. One cadet said, "I know that even after I leave here, a piece of me will stay; my voice on those tapes. It's even better that it was for the good of the community." Another said, "It means a whole lot to be a part of something that is done all over the world. The most important thing that I did not like was that I had to be incarcerated to experience this wonderful project. I will make it for sure that next time I take part in this, that I will not be incarcerated." Another Spanish-speaking youth said, "I learn empathy for other and concern for people that needed. I would like to participate again."

"This was a very good event to be able to participate in," said Jane Harber, Sheffield Boot Camp's Community Relations Coordinator. "It was a tremendous learning experience, as well as an outstanding service for the community. I look forward to working on this and similar projects in the upcoming years."

USDA Rural Development announces availability of \$10.5 million in housing preservation grant funds

TEMPLE - Bryan Daniel, USDA Rural Development State Director has announced the availability of \$10.5 million in Housing Preservation Grant funds.

The program provides financial assistance to sponsoring organizations to assist in the repair or rehabilitation of single-family and rental residences located in rural communities.

"USDA Rural Development is very pleased to be able to provide housing rehabilitation funding for rural Texans," said Daniel. "It is our goal to ensure rural residents are afforded an opportunity to live in decent

housing that meets health and safety standards and provides the benefits of energy efficient features."

Eligible sponsors who would administer the grant funds can include state agencies, units of local government, Native American tribes, and nonprofit organizations.

The Agency's Housing Preservation Grant Program can also provide assistance to rental property owners to repair and rehabilitate their units providing the owners agree to make the units available to very low- and low-income families.

The USDA Rural Development

Housing Preservation Grant Program provides assistance to residential projects located in communities with a maximum population of 20,000.

Applications must be submitted no later than 5 p.m. on May 19, 2006 to USDA Rural Development, Federal Building, Suite 102, 101 South Main, Temple, Texas 76501.

For more information on the Housing Preservation Grant Program, please contact Gayle Ledyard, Housing Programs Director, (254)742-9765 or visit the website at http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/mfh/brief_mfh_hpg.htm.

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Junction Stockyards Market Report

Sheep and Goats
May 1, 2006

We sold 1,532 head of sheep and goats today. Kids were \$5-10 higher.

#1 spring lambs 50-70 lbs.	1.05-1.15
#1 spring lambs 70-90 lbs.	95-1.05
#1 old crop lambs 50-70 lbs.	85-1.00
#1 old crop lambs 70-90 lbs.	75-85
Fat ewes	45-52
Thin ewes	30-40
Bucks	30-50
Solid mouth ewes	80-1.00
Ewe & lamb pairs	55-65/hd
Baby tooth Angora stocker nannies	80-1.00
Solid mouth Angora stocker nannies	55-65
Stocker Angora muttons	80-95
Angora Kids	1.40-1.50
Angora Kids-shorn	1.20-1.35
Weighing Angoras-shorn (thin)	35-45
Weighing Angoras-shorn (fat) nannies	45-55
Stocker Spanish nannies	85-1.10
Fat Spanish nannies	55-65
Fat Spanish muttons	90-1.10
Fat Spanish billies	70-85
Fat yearlings	1.15-1.35
Fat Spanish kids	1.30-1.35
Small kids	1.35-1.45
Thin kids	1.20-1.35
Spanish nanny & kid pairs	40-45/hd

Next goat sale - May 8, 2006

Crockett County Sheriff's Report

WEEKLY NEWS REPORT
OUTSTANDING WARRANTS:

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

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

• **Mario Najera Aguilar**, of San Angelo, theft/adjudication of guilt - felony

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

ARREST REPORT

4-26-06
• **Jimmy Dale Petty**, 42, was picked up at the Tom Green County Jail on a Crockett County bench warrant. Subject remains in jail awaiting court.

• **Socorro Garcia Vargas**, 41, was arrested by DPS Trooper on a California warrant for injury to

a child. Subject remains in jail awaiting transfer.

4-29-06
• **Derek John Tambunga**, 23, was arrested by sheriff's deputy on a charge of purchasing, furnishing alcohol to minor. Subject was released from jail after posting bond.

4-30-06
• **Ray Mata**, 32, was arrested by sheriff deputy on a charge of family violence assault. Subject remains in jail unable to post bond, subject is also awaiting transfer from Border Patrol.

• **Christopher Michael Larson**, 22, was arrested by DPS Trooper on a Crockett County warrant for possession of controlled substance. Subject remains in jail awaiting court.

OFFENSE REPORT

4-26-06
• A forgery report was filed by a sheriff's deputy - the complainant advised that known person stole some checks and forged his signature, investigation continues.

CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS REPORT

TYPE OF CALLS	# OF CALLS
Animal control, Livestock Complaints	13
Civil Complaints	3
Civil Service	4
Criminal Activity Complaints	2
Disturbances, Domestic, Loud Noise etc.	4
Juvenile Complaints	6
Locked vehicles	15
911 Medical, Fire Calls	3
Motorist Assistance	7
Reckless driving/speeding complaints	2
Security Alarms	3
Sheriff's Office/ Jail Admin.	17
State/County Road calls	2
Suspicious Persons/Vehicles	3
Welfare Assistance (Gas, Food, Lodging)	2
Vehicle Accidents	3

Senate panel approves tax reform bills passed by House



AUSTIN - After nearly two decades of attempts by lawmakers and judges to improve how Texas finances public education, big and widespread changes to the tax code seem increasingly likely at midpoint in the 30-day special session.

Five separate tax-reforming bills sped through the full House on April 24 and 27 and crossed over to the Senate.

Straightway on April 28, the 15-member Senate Finance committee passed three of those five pieces of legislation.

Votes were party-line, with Democrats Judith Zaffirini of Laredo, John Whitmore of Houston, Royce West of Dallas and Juan "Chuy" Hinojosa of McAllen registering "nays" because, they said, the legislation is too much about cutting taxes and not enough about educating children.

The five pieces of legislation
• House Bill 1, by Warren Chisum, R-Pampa, taps the state's budget surplus to buy down the school district maintenance and operation property tax rate to what some feel is an acceptable \$1.33 per \$100 valuation. HB 1 has been labeled the "get out of Dodge" bill because it is a short-term fix that does not address long-term problems in the current system of taxation.

• HB 2, by Jim Pitts, R-Waxahachie, dedicates all new revenue from House bills 3, 4 and 5 to a fund that would only be used to reduce school district maintenance and operation tax rates.

A substitute for HB 2, by Tommy Williams, R-The Woodlands, was adopted by Senate Finance, making it eligible for consideration by the full Senate. The substitute provides that new revenue from the three bills will reduce maintenance and operation tax rates until the average rate gets down to \$1.

• HB 3, by Rep. Jim Keffer, R-Eastland, kills the franchise tax and replaces it with a business activity or "margin" tax. It is the most revolutionary bill of the batch. Finance passed this bill, and it is eligible for consideration by the full Senate.

• HB 4, by David Swinford, R-Amarillo, is the so-called liar's affidavit bill that would force a buyer of a used car to pay sales tax on the book value of the car. Senate Finance passed this bill, and it is eligible for consideration by the full Senate.

• HB 5 by Peggy Hamric, R-Houston, increases the state sales tax on cigarettes by \$1. If passed, the tax on a pack of cigarettes will be \$1.41.

Background on special session
The main purpose of this [3rd] special session of the 79th Texas Legislature is to cure the stamp of "unconstitutional" placed on the state's method of school district property taxation by the Texas Supreme Court last fall.

The high court found that hundreds of the state's 1,049 school districts, left with no choice but to set the maximum allowable rate of \$1.50 per \$100 valuation, had lost "meaningful discretion" in setting rates.

The high court then ordered the governor and Legislature to fix the tax system by June 1.

Gov. Rick Perry called on former state comptroller John Sharp to head a new 24-member tax reform commission. The commission soaked up input from citizens and businesses across the state in a two-month series of public hearings. In March, the Perry-Sharp tax reform proposal was completed.

Pro-immigrant march scheduled
Up to 40,000 people were expected to participate in a downtown Austin rally and march to the Capitol on May 1, in support of immigrants living and working in Texas, and in reaction to a federal crackdown on businesses employing undocumented workers.

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OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
New Henry Petroleum	10800	Univ13 -Butc- #9	Big Dog Drilling 12	Drig Ahead 3990'
Exl Petroleum Lp	10300	University Sarah #2601	Lariat Services/Ode 22	Rigging Up
New J. Cleo Thompson/Dal	9500	University 31-15w #3	Patterson Drilling/A 42	Drig Ahead
New Approach Operating	9000	J W Childers #1717	Nabors Drilling (O) 347	Moving On
Approach Operating	9000	J W Childers -B- #3501	Nabors Drilling (O) 353	Drig Ahead
New Approach Operating	9000	Bailey #323	Patterson Drilling/A 710	Drig Ahead
New Anadarko E & P	8900	Davidson -5- #10	Patterson Drilling/A 38	Drig Ahead
Bluegrass Energy	7000	Simpson Canyon -103- Unit #2	Adobe Drilling Mustan	Drig Ahead 3706'
Oxy Permian/Houston	5000	South Cross Unit #236	Sledge Drilling 1	Drig Ahead
New Final Natural Res	5000	Buggett -B- #144	Patterson Drilling/A 721	Drig Ahead
Mic Operating	5000	Onyx #1	Adobe Drilling Branco	Drig Ahead 4353'

***Sutton County**

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	9548	Duke Wilson -173- #15	Patterson Drilling/A 704	Drig Ahead
New Dominion Ok Tx E&P	9400	Duke Wilson #1867	Patterson Drilling/A 704	Assigned
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	9250	Rimel #2	Patterson Drilling/A 39	Assigned
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	8950	Mayer -20a- #4	Patterson Drilling/A 122	Drig Ahead
New Dominion Ok Tx E&P	8950	Mayer -20a- #5	Patterson Drilling/A 122	Assigned
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	8900	Whitehead -1- #2	Patterson Drilling/A 39	Drig Ahead
New Dominion Ok Tx E&P	8850	Mayer Ranch -35- #1	Patterson Drilling/A 39	Assigned
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	8750	Mayfield -40- #20	Patterson Drilling/A 120	Drig Ahead
New Dominion Ok Tx E&P	8700	Mayfield -40- #20a	Patterson Drilling/A 120	Assigned
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	8300	Edwin S Mayer Jr -5- #6	Patterson Drilling/A 108	Drig Ahead
New Dominion Ok Tx E&P	8250	Mayer Ranch -E- #29-3	Patterson Drilling/A 108	Assigned
New Dominion Ok Tx E&P	7850	Jones Ranch -156- #1	Patterson Drilling/A 742	Drig Ahead
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	7800	Shurley -165- #10	Patterson Drilling/A 40	Drig Ahead
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	7800	Mack Cauthorn -130- #14	Patterson Drilling/A 161	Drig Ahead
New Dominion Ok Tx E&P	7725	Mack Cauthorn -130- #12	Patterson Drilling/A 161	Assigned
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	7150	Deberry Heirs #12	Patterson Drilling/A 115	Drig Ahead
New Dominion Ok Tx E&P	6850	Kelly -115- #19	Patterson Drilling/A 40	Assigned
New Dominion Ok Tx E&P	6850	Ward #58	Patterson Drilling/A 105	Drig Ahead
New Dominion Ok Tx E&P	6400	Reed -106- #19	Patterson Drilling/A 107	Drig Ahead
New Mariner Energy	6350	Allison -54- #11	Patterson Drilling/A 107	Assigned
New Range Production Co	5000	Davis -31- #1	Patterson Drilling/A 109	Drig Ahead

Schleicher County

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
New Approach Operating	9000	Rouzelet -A- #1005	Nabors Drilling (O) 353	Assigned
Leclair Operating	8000	Menzies #1	Heart Land Drilling 3	T.L.H. 5304'
New Pogo Producing Co	6900	Luedeke #6	Heart Land Drilling 2	Drig Ahead 2120'

Reagan County

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Pogo Producing Co	9000	University 7-17 #1	Capstar Drilling 14	Drig Ahead 8695'
Mariner Energy	9000	Hartgrove -S- #40m	Lariat Services/Ode 12	Drig Ahead 8738'
New Mariner Energy	9000	Weatherly -A- #70m	Lariat Services/Ode 18	Drig Ahead 3021'
Mariner Energy	9000	Ricker -24- #21m	Lariat Services/Ode 19	Drig Ahead 4396'
Mariner Energy	9000	Helwig #21m	Lariat Services/Ode 20	Drig Ahead 6972'
New Pioneer Natural/trv	8500	Sherrod Unit #4004	Adobe Drilling Sxshtr	Drig Ahead 377'
Gray Petroleum	8500	Rocker -B15- #5	Lariat Services/Ode 16	Drig Ahead 5707'
New Mariner Energy	8400	Saw Mariner -43- #4a	Lariat Services/Ode 17	Drig Ahead 4360'
New Pioneer Natural/trv	8290	Merchant Unit #1907k	Mattlock Drilling 4	Moving On

Terrell County

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
New Encore Operating Lp	14700	Banner Estate #48	Nabors Drilling (O) 141	Moving On
Bp America Prod/Mid	12200	Banner Estate #34 H	Helmerich & Payne(A) 214	Drig Ahead
Eneana O & G/Dallas	12100	Acu -48- #7	Nabors Drilling (O) 57	Drig Ahead
Riata Energy Inc	8000	Kothman #9301	Lariat Services/Ode 1	Drig Ahead 3826'

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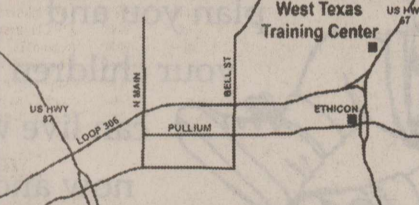
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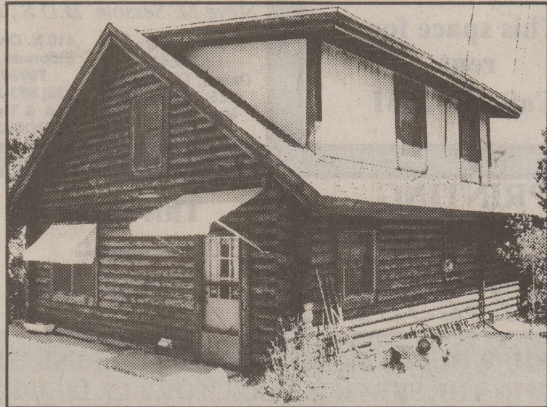
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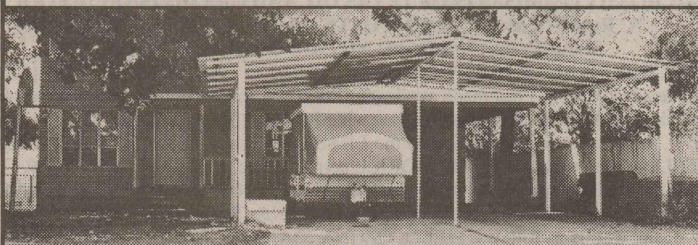
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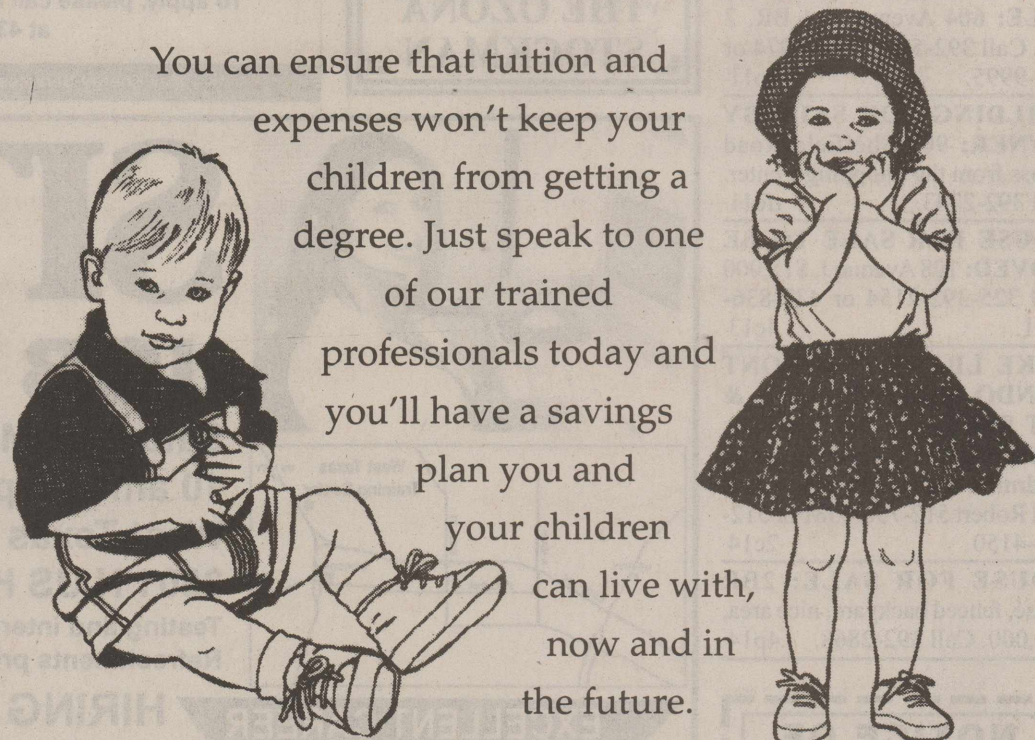
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