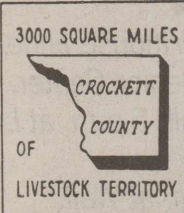


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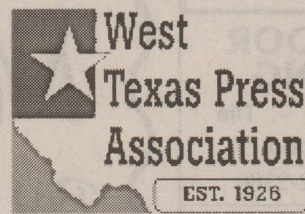
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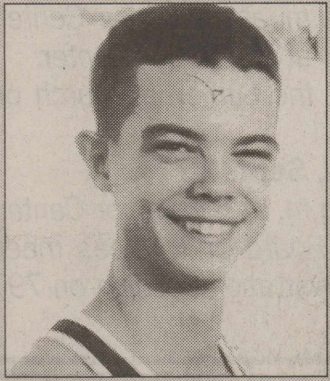
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Thursday

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Partly Cloudy

Friday

High 88 Low 69
Partly Cloudy

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Isolated T-Storms

Sunday

High 86 Low 68
Scattered T-Storms

Forecast information provided by the National Weather Service in San Angelo

New buses? New computers? New school? It's up to the voters

School board discusses the possibilities of a bond election

By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher

New buses, new computers or a new school could be some of the future plans for Ozona with input from the people of Crockett County.

During the Sept. 13 special called meeting of the Crockett County CCSD Board of Trustees, discussion rose from a new roof for the primary school to the possibility of building a new school with the passing of a bond by county voters.

Superintendent Abe Gott presented the board with information he had received about getting a bond.

Gott said that a bond could be set for anything that has more than a year of useful life expectancy, such as computers, buses, renovations on buildings and the construction of a new school.

If a bond is passed, the increase to school taxes will be minimal next year, due to the state legislature's new school finance plan passed in May, Gott said.

Next year, the highest the school district can set the tax rate will be \$1.04. A bond will add \$.10 to that bringing it to \$1.14.

This year's rate was set at \$1.37, which is also lower than \$1.50 rate that has been adopted for the last few years.

"In the long run people will save tax money since this happens to fall in a year when the tax rate is fixing to drop," said Board President Dr. Marcus Sims.

The money set aside for the bond will not be recaptured by the state, Gott said.

Gott also said that there are very few Chapter 41, or "rich," school districts that haven't done a bond.

"We've talked about consolidating the primary and intermediate schools before. Now is the time to really think about this. The roof (for the primary school) is so expensive that we might as well go in and build one school for all," Sims said.

Brandon Brasher, territory manager of the Garland Company Inc. who is overseeing the roofing being done on the high

school cafeteria, said that an estimate cost for a new metal roof on the two flat sections of the primary school would be around \$600,000. In order to do the entire school with a metal roof, the cost would be around \$1 million.

Brasher also presented the board with a metal type roof that is laid out in flat sheets that can cover the roof as well. This material is cheaper, energy efficient and comes with a 30-year warranty.

The cost for using this material on the two flat sections of the primary school would be around \$332,000.

The district has budgeted \$300,000 for a new roof.

"The building is so old and it has been redone a number of times," said Board Member Tom Anderson.

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What's a bond?

A school bond is a contract to repay borrowed money on a given date with interest paid semiannually. School districts issue bonds to fund capital improvement projects, borrowing money from investors who purchase the bonds.

Similar to a home mortgage, bonds are sold to lenders to raise funds to pay the costs of construction and equipping facilities. The bonds are repaid over a period of years. The state does not recapture bond money.

Voter approval is an authorization for the district to issue bonds.

What are bonds used for?

Bond funds can be used to pay for new buildings, additions and renovations to existing facilities, purchasing land and equipment for new or existing facilities. Bond funds cannot be used for personnel or operating costs.

- Texas Education Agency

LIONS BITE THE BRAVES

Ozona gets first win of the season

By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher

The momentum was back as the Ozona Lions took on the Iraan Braves during their first home game of the season.

"We had a much better game this week. We corrected a lot of problems but still have several areas we must improve in," said Coach Benny Granger. "One area is our substitutions on offense. This is partly my fault and we will have it corrected this week. I was really proud of the team for taking care of business."

Ozona would run circles around the Braves, while the defense tightened for 28-11 win.

Iraan got things started first by driving down the field for 14 plays. The defensive duo of A.J. Montanez and Stevie Vargas would keep the Braves from gaining any ground, and Josh Santos would break up a pass on the next play causing Iraan to settle for a 21-yard field goal by Len Slaughter.

It would then be the Lions turn to drive down the field. Levi Vargas would run the ball back on the kick-off for 61 yards to the Lions in Iraan territory.

Ely Silva, Jordan Long and Santos would run the ball down the field, with Silva rushing eight yards for Ozona's first touchdown early in the second quarter. Santos had 101 yards rushing for the Lions in the game.

On the Braves next possession, Ozona would recover an Iraan fumble to give the Lions a chance to score again.

Long would find Levi Vargas for a six-yard pass, and then Silva rushed nine yards for Ozona to the Iraan 23-yard line.

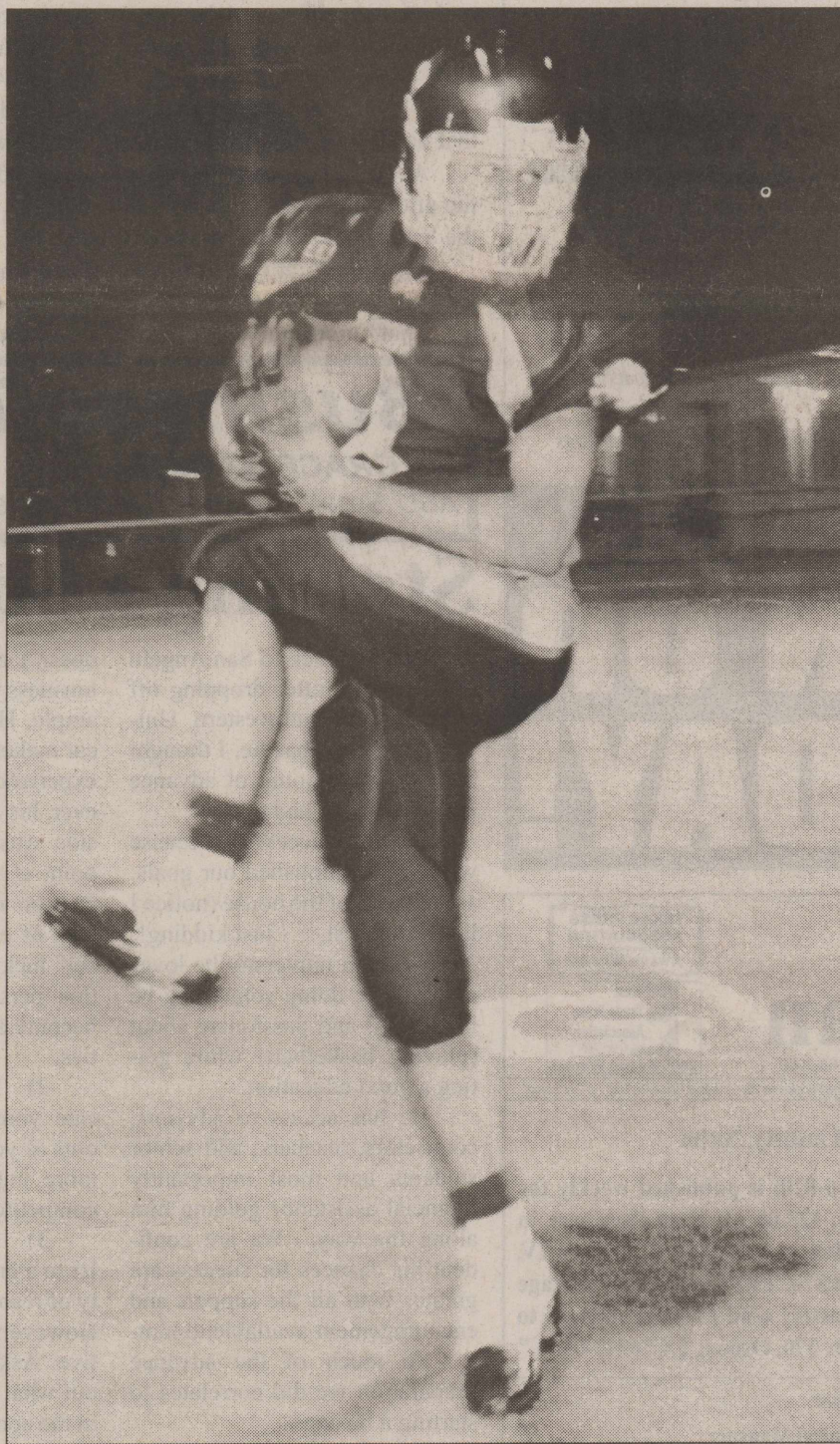
On fourth and one, Silva would find the hole and run the ball in for the 14-yard touchdown. Long would get the two-point conversion to put Ozona up 14-3.

More defensive efforts came in the first half as John Tom Tijerina broke up an Iraan pass and Stevie Vargas and Freddy Fierro made key tackles.

The second half started out well for the Lions as Levi Vargas ran the ball down field again for Ozona.

The Lions would drive to the one-yard line where Arty Gonzales would get the ball in the end zone.

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LEVI VARGAS does a dance into the end zone after catching a pass from quarterback Jordan Long during the Lions 28-11 win over Iraan Friday night.

Photo by Joe Hernandez

Commissioners adopt budget, lower tax rate

By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher

Next year's county budget will include money for to match a possible grant for courthouse renovations, as well as money for possible new roofs.

The \$13.5 million budget was unanimously adopted during Monday's regular meeting.

The budget includes \$500,000 for courthouse renovations and \$225,000 for building renovations.

The Texas Historical Com-

mission has a program that uses grants to help counties restore historical courthouses.

However, the money for the Texas Historical Commission's Courthouse Restoration Program has been turned over to the Texas Department of Transportation.

The money the commissioners approved for the 2007 is to match the commission's grant in case Crockett County receives it to restore the courthouse.

The \$225,000 is to be used for building renovations, such as the possibility of a new jail roof.

The commissioners looked at a report from Brandon Brasher, territory manager of the Garland Company Inc. who is overseeing the roofing being done on the high school cafeteria, about a new roof on the county jail.

The cost ranges from \$10,000 to \$50,000 to fix the problems on the flat part of the jail roof, said County Judge Johnny Jones.

More discussion will take place at the October meeting about the roof.

The 2007 budget also includes

a raise for employees, including elected officials.

The commissioners also adopted a tax rate 24 cents lower than the 2006 rate. The county's tax rate was adopted at \$.43080, which is 11 cents lower than last year, and the school's rate of \$1.37005 is 13 cents lower.

Superintendent Abe Gott said that the Crockett County CCSD Board of Trustees is looking into proposing a bond to help pay for some major school repairs.

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Deiz y Seiz Fall Festival this weekend

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church will host its annual Deiz y Seiz de Septiembre Fall Festival this weekend.

There will be a dance from 8 p.m. - midnight Saturday, Sept. 16 at the Catholic Parish Hall with Grupo Tokante from Eagle Pass. The crowning of the queen will take place during the dance.

At noon Sunday, Sept. 17, there will be a Mexican plate sold by the Guadalupanas at \$5 a plate.

The parade begins at 2 p.m. in front of the Catholic Church.

The Tardeada will be behind the Catholic Hall after the parade with food booths, live music and relay games.

Bring your lawn chairs and join in the fun. There will be a big raffle drawing and door prizes to be given away.

Care Center achieves

perfect score in annual survey

Submitted by Benny Gibbs
Care Center Administrator

Benny Gibbs, administrator at the Crockett County Care Center has announced that the facility achieved a perfect score of "zero" during their annual survey conducted by the regional inspectors from San Angelo.

The three-day survey is a routine event not only for Crockett County Care Center, but for every long-term care facility in the nation.

Gibbs went on to announce that all departments inclusive of nursing, dietary, housekeeping, laundry, activities, and administration were all responsible for achieving this "perfect score."

Gibbs stated that by conferring with one surveyor, he was told the average number of citations in this region that are being written is 12.

Gibbs also stated that because of such a low score on the survey would mean a lower premium that the Care Center would have to pay on an annual basis. Medical liability insurance is a necessary procurement of insurance that protects the Care Center and county from any litigation brought against the facility.

Gibbs slated that the present annual premium of \$30,200 has

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What's on My Mind

By Melissa Perner

Remembering Sept. 11

Do you remember Sept. 11?

That's the question my children will be asking me one day. It's like when I asked my grandparents about Pearl Harbor and my parents about the day President Kennedy was shot.

Was it about those significant days in that we can remember every little detail.

When I asked my mom about that day in 1963, her first words were "I was sitting in school and the principal came to the door."

She remembers crying on her way home and watching it on TV with my grandmother. Detail after detail is remembered.

Most of all remember the day five years ago when we watched on TV two towers fall to the ground before our eyes.

Unlike previous disasters, this was one that we watched and have watched over and over thanks to the mass media.

This is also one that has led to the terms "homeland security" and made going to the airport and two to three hour ordeal.

It is also the one that caught our country off guard because we thought we were the invincible ones.

I remember where I was that day. I was asleep in bed.

At the time, I was working the afternoon to evening shift at the San Angelo Standard-Times. I usually didn't get up each day until about 10:30 a.m.

That morning, my mom

called and woke me up to tell me they were going somewhere.

She told me what was going on TV but I didn't fully comprehend.

Then another friend of mine called and told me. I still didn't get it, but I turned on the TV.

The image I saw was the second tower falling and debris being scattered everywhere.

Being a newspaper woman, my first reaction was "I've got to get to work!"

When I did, I found myself making phone calls, talking to people getting reactions and doing so much that the impact of what had just happened to our country didn't hit me until I got home at 11 p.m. that night and watched the replays of all that had gone on that day.

Our country had changed in that one instant. We had gone from being calm and confident to paranoid and scared.

Five years later, some are still confident that another terrorist attack could happen.

Even with all our new security efforts, I'm not saying it can't happen. If people have enough hatred for our country they will stop at nothing to harm us.

Fortunately, we have enough people who want to fight to keep our freedom.

As we headed off to work on Monday, I hope some of us stopped to think about those who are no longer with us and those who are currently fighting to keep the freedom we sometimes take for granted.

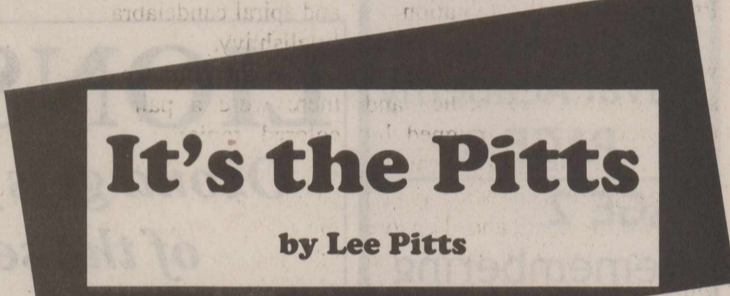
Community Calendar

- Wednesday, Sept. 13**
- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Thursday, Sept. 14**
- AA meeting, 5:30 a.m. at the courthouse annex.
 - Ladies bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
 - Ozona Middle School Lions vs. Wall, 5 p.m. at Lion Stadium.
 - Ozona JV Lions vs. Wall, 6:30 p.m. at Wall.
- Friday, Sept. 15**
- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
 - Fiesta, 3:30 p.m. at the Care Center.
 - Ozona Varsity Lions vs. Wall, 8 p.m. at Lion Stadium.
- Saturday, Sept. 16**
- Ozona Cross Country Teams at the Angelo State Stampede at San Angelo.
- Monday, Sept. 17**
- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
 - Ladies bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
 - AA meetings, 8 p.m. at the Lutheran Church on 802 First St.
- Wednesday, Sept. 20**
- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
 - Crockett County CCSD Board of Trustees meeting, 6:30 p.m. in the Administration Building on 797 Avenue D.

Letters to the Editor

We welcome your letters. Not all will be published, those that are chosen will be found on page 2. To submit a letter, mail us at The Ozona Stockman, P.O. Box 370, Ozona, Texas 76943 or e-mail us at publisher@ozona.com.

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For Better or For Worse

Well, a day arrived I thought I'd never live to see: the day I married my sister. No, no! Before you start thinking even less of me than you already do, I must hasten to add that I married my sister in a wedding ceremony. I can see I'm only digging myself in deeper so let me explain before you write me off as an incest-prone pervert.

My sister called two weeks before her marriage and was upset because her preacher had been deported! She wanted to know if I could perform the ceremony. Now, I have presided over numerous religious events in my life such as gopher funerals and a bingo game but I have never married anyone, other than my wife, and I assure you that she is not my sister. I told my sis that if she could get me ordained that I would marry her.

In a ceremony, that is. (Normally I insist on several counseling sessions with couples before I marry them but in my sister's case I waived the rule.)

Shortly thereafter I found myself online with the Rose Ministries of Las Vegas, Nevada. (Where else?) I had the choice between ordination packages ranging from \$89 to a basic package costing \$29. Those who know me will not be surprised to learn that I purchased the more expensive version. (Actually I made my sister pay for it!) The problem with the cheaper package was that it didn't come with any instructions as to how to actually perform a wedding ceremony. If I had it to do over again I would have made my sister buy the deluxe package which I'm almost sure included advice on how to start your own church and how to qualify for tax free status. The deluxe packet also came with a clip-on "Clergy" badge that I really wanted.

One week after filling out a simple questionnaire I received an envelope in the mail addressed to Reverend Lee Pitts. (I actually had a choice as to what title I preferred.) Inside the envelope was a certificate suitable for framing and a plastic card to carry in my wallet that certified Reverend Lee Pitts as "being

ordained as a non-denominational clergy with the authority to perform all religious services and rites including baptism and marriage." It was signed by my fellow Reverend, Bill Hall.

There were some disappointments. I wanted to wear one of those dresses you saw the holy men wear when they buried the Pope and one of those two foot tall hats but my sister nixed that idea. She also said I could not wear my cowboy hat. Because the ceremony took place outdoors on a day that was hotter than 9 acres of onions I got a severe scald on my bald head that still hurts. And I almost forgot the ring ceremony which, from a woman's standpoint is the most important part of the ceremony because she gets some diamonds. For some women, and I am not saying in this case, the jewelry will be the only thing the woman gets out of the marriage.

Although I'm not schooled in the ways of the clergy I did feel qualified to speak on the matter of marriage because I've been studying the subject for 32 years under the same strict teacher. Even though I was not ordained by a church to preach, that's never stopped me before so I gave a rip-roaring sermon that left everyone weeping in their hankies. At least that's what I think everyone was bawling about.

In the end my sister and her husband promised to love, honor and obey and my mother made me promise I'd never marry anyone again. (Although I did have a couple ask me to marry their Bassett Hounds.) Despite not being handed an envelope full of cash or being allowed to pass a collection plate, I pronounced them husband and wife with the power vested in me by the state of Nevada and www.roseministries.com.

I think the marriage is legal, even though I misspelled the word Reverend when signing official looking documents afterwards. Which reminds me, please be advised that in the future everyone should refer to me as the Most Reverend Lee Pitts.

Next week, if I'm not too busy, I think I'll go online and get my Ph.D.

'Business Tips' BY GRACE GARCIA ASU Small Business Development Center

Starting a business

Driving back to San Angelo this weekend after dropping off our son at Southwestern University in Waxahachie, I thought back on the amount of advance preparation we had to do.

We felt successful because we had accomplished our goals: 1) He is out of the house (notice I listed this first... just kidding!) 2) He is in a university he loves and will be doing something he is talented and passionate about (playing basketball) while getting a good education.

He has access to advisors, counselors, teachers, and senior students and most importantly financial assistance guiding him along the way. We are confident his chances for success are greater with all the support and encouragement available to him. So much of the advance preparation we did correlates to starting a business.

For example, when starting a business the first question that comes to mind is "What business should I start?"

As we prepared to send our son to college he had no clue as to which college he wanted to attend. However, as we researched numerous universities and analyzed his talents, needs, and finances it was as clear as day which university he would attend.

A business start-up works in much the same way. Some entrepreneurs because of their experience in a particular field know exactly what type of business to start. Still others have no clue what business to start and where to begin.

When first contemplating starting a business, here are a few tips I learned from my experience:

- 1) Create a personal profile - This should include your strengths, weaknesses, talents, strong interests, experience etc. Just because you have years of experience in a particular field

doesn't always mean that's the business you should start. For example, Henry Ford, the greatest car maker in history had years of experience in agriculture; however, his stronger talent and passion was building engines. My point is -you need to find your passion and if it's within your area of expertise consider yourself lucky. Hopefully, through this personal profile, you will become aware of your possibilities.

- 2) Do your research - Educate yourself with the ins and outs of your chosen industry and more importantly identify your competitors and customers.

- 3) Find Resources - Similar to a university, there are plenty of resources to assistance you. However, you need to be proactive. Ask and seek help. Find out what resources are available in the community. You will need financial, advising, and advice from successful business owners.

As we said good-bye to our son, we noticed he was more confident and secure than when we first started. We knew all the hard work had paid off. As you begin your journey to self-employment, keep in mind the foundation you lay early on when starting your own business directly impacts your chances for success in the future. The Angelo State University - Small Business Development Center can assist you with your research.

Call (325) 942-2098 to make an appointment or visit our website at www.angelo.edu/services/sbdc for more information.

"Business Tips" was written by Ms. Grace Garcia, Training Coordinator of Angelo State University's Small Business Development Center. For more information on the topic of this article or the services of the ASU • SBDC, contact her at Grace.Garcia@angelo.edu.

Kimberly Aliene Bean and John Clayton Childress united in marriage

Kimberly Aliene Bean and John Clayton Childress, were married July 29, 2006 at the Ozona United Methodist Church with the Reverend Bill Fuller officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Helen Bean of Ozona, and the late David Bean. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bean and Mr. George Bunker, Jr. of Ozona, and the late Wanda Bunker. The bridegroom is the son of Ms. Susie Childress of Kerrville, and the late Johnny Childress. He is the grandson of Mrs. Katharine Russell of Ozona, and the late George Russell, Jr., and the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles Applewhite.

Maids of honor were Miss Colbey Crawford and Miss Kristin Bunker, both of Ozona. Bridesmaids were Miss Allie Bean of Ozona, Mrs. Stormi Neal of Germany, and Miss Lana Stewart of Lubbock. Flower girl was Miss Makayla Knapp of La Vernia.

Best man was Tommy Conner of Ozona. Groomsmen were Ryan Bean, Wesley Bean and Hunter Preston, all of Ozona, and Josh Cross of Sabinal.

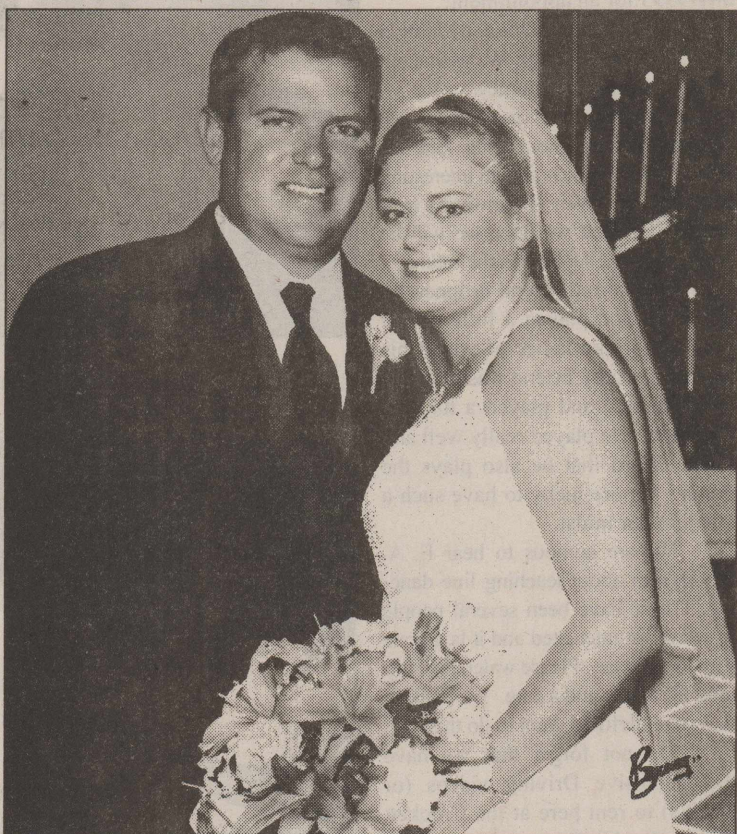
Ushers were G. L. Bunker of Ozona, Will Slaughter of College Station, and Stephen Tarr of Lubbock. Ring bearer was son of the groom Charles Childress of Winters. Bell ringer was William Oliver of Fort Worth.

Candle lighters were Mr. James Uhl and Miss Elizabeth Uhl of San Antonio. Greeting guests at the church were Miss Katelyn Edward and Miss Laura Pfaff, both of College Station.

The bride wore an A-line white satin gown with white and silver embroidered bodice and an applique train, designed by Reem Acra. Her veil was white tulle adorned with white pearls and silver beading, and she wore a silver tiara with pearls and rhinestones. Her diamond and pearl necklace was borrowed from her mother, who also wore it on her wedding day. It was given to Helen by Nana, Mrs. June Henderson. Kimberly carried a bouquet of cascading chartreuse green and tangerine roses, with hot pink lilies. There were three special roses, white with pink tips, in memory of David Bean, father of the bride, Johnny Childress, father of the groom, and Wanda Bunker, grandmother of the bride.

The maids of honor and bridesmaids wore fitted V-neck dresses with a low V in back, of Italian cotton cady with a subtle sheen and in a Wild Rose color. Each had a silk charmeuse sash at the waist, also in Wild Rose.

They carried clutch bouquets of tangerine, chartreuse green and hot pink roses on a bed of dark green leaves. The flower girl wore a white A-line dress with pearls at



the waist and a satin cord bow in back. In her hair, she wore a halo of greenery and chartreuse roses. She carried a white basket of hot pink rose petals.

The bridegroom and his attendants wore Black tuxedos with matching vests and ties. The groom wore a boutonniere of white sweetheart roses, and his attendants wore boutonnieres of hot pink, chartreuse and tangerine sweetheart roses.

The church was beautifully decorated with arrangements of gladiolus, lilies, roses, gerbera daisies and other lovely varieties, along with votive candles, and spiral candelabras draped in English ivy.

At the entrance to the isle, there were a pair of brightly colored topiaries to welcome guests. Pew markers of star-gazers, greens and ribbon lined the isle. A special arrangement adorned the altar, in memory of the bride's father and grandmother.

The mother of the bride was escorted by G.L. Bunker, while the mother of the groom was escorted by Stephen Tarr.

A string quartet from San Angelo played "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring," Bach, as the parents and grandparents were seated. A solo by Ms. Linda Baumheckel followed, "Here We Are Now." After the attendants entered the church, the congregation stood as the musicians played the bridal march from "Lohengrin," Wagner. The bride was escorted down the aisle by her uncle, Louis Bunker. The couple stood in the presence of God, their family and friends, and declared their vows.

A reception followed at the Ozona Country Club. The mood was set with pink lighting in the trees; flowers on the outside registration table, and ferns in plant-

er boxes, to complete the garden theme. Tables and chairs were draped in white cotton damask, with pink bows at the back of each chair. White baskets of brightly colored kalanchoes and trailing ivy were on the patio tables. Maestro vases of stunning lilies were complimented by mirrors and candles on the tables inside.

Over fifteen dozen hot pink, chartreuse, and tangerine roses peaked from between each of five layers of intricately decorated white bride's cake, and also adorned the buffet tables, along with an exquisite centerpiece. Punch was served from a silver punchbowl, next to the bride's bouquet. The groom's cake was three square layers of chocolate cake decorated with milk chocolate swirls, topped with dark chocolate shavings, on a silver cake stand. After the traditional cutting of the cake, the bride and groom drank champagne from the Bunker family wedding goblet.

Guests enjoyed a lavish buffet and danced to music provided by Phil Greek, Charli Neal, Warren Oliver, Skylar Lacy, Trace Justiss, Jarett Justiss, Peyton Lockhart, Stevi Lockhart, Charles Childress, John Cole Childress, and Jacob Childress passed out small bags of bird seed, carried in metal buckets decorated with colorful curly ribbon. The festivities concluded with the traditional tossing of bird seed as the happy couple departed.

The bride is a graduate of Ozona High School and is earning a degree in Early Childhood Education at Angelo State University. The bridegroom is a graduate of Ozona High School and is self-employed in Ozona.

After a wedding trip to Lake Tahoe, Nevada, the couple is residing in Ozona.

Crockett County Library News

The Friends of the Library annual meeting will have an extra special agenda this year featuring a dinner and program with two interesting authors.

Monday, Oct. 2, the Friends will host a catered dinner at the Civic Center from 6:30 to 9 p.m.

Dinner tickets will be reservation only, so R.S.V.P. early. The program will feature a local author and a well-known Texas western author.

Our own Dr. Jose Alberto Galindo will review his Mexican history projects and make a formal presentation of his books to the Public Library.

Jane Pattie is a freelance writer and photographer specializing in Western topics who has

written or contributed to many books, including the award-winning "Cowboy Spurs and Their Makers;" "Visions of the West;" "Cowboy Spur Maker: the Story of Ed Blanchard" with Tom Kelly; "Kiowa Voices;" "Cowboys Who Rode Proudly;" a tribute biography of John Wayne... "There Rode a Legend" with Maureen O'Hara and "Cattle Brands: Ironclad Signatures" with a Foreword by Elmer Kelton.

Mrs. Pattie's books will be available for purchase and signing.

Mark your calendars and make your reservations now for the Friends of the Library annual meeting on Monday, Oct. 2.



Submitted photo

JANE PATTIE (center) will be featured at the Crockett County Library's annual meeting in October. Pattie, a western author, is seen here with W.C. Jameson (left) and Stan Paregien at the 2004 Wrangler Awards in at the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum in Oklahoma City.

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Happy Birthday

Sept. 13 - Toby Ortiz, Jamie Knox, Lalo Longoria Jr., Andrea Borrego, Parrish Aiguier, Amado Carrizales and Juanita Duran

Sept. 14 - Pleas Childress III, Zac Myers, Bryan Branch, Ashley Lewis, Alysha Lara, Barrett Richie, JayLynn Vargas and Adrienne Sanchez

Sept. 15 - Thomas Cruz

Sept. 16 - Rosa Leal, Bret Hood, Desi Tijerina Jr., Thomas Dennis and Tina Martinez

Sept. 17 - Betty Mainerd, Judy Jones, Gabby Longoria, Laura Parker, Nina Martinez, Roy Bullard

Sept. 18 - Pablo Talamantez Sr., Rex Fenton, Elsa Vasquez, Raven Perez, Kelise Ramirez and Monica Schwartz

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Driston weighed 7 pounds and was 20-inches long.

Big sister is Brooklyn is so proud to welcome him home, along with grandparents Mike and Gwinn Atkins, of Junction, and James and Pat Willmon, of Westport, Okla.

Proud great-grandmothers are Eloise Whitley, Mary Bankston and Ruby Salmon, all of Junction.

Museum needs updates for new Ozona Address Book

The Crockett County Museum is working on printing a new version of the Ozona Address Book.

The last version printed was in 2000. The book will contain names and mailing addresses of local individuals and businesses.

To change or verify mailing addresses, call the museum at 392-2837.

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Hospice of San Angelo to present 'Building Bridges' beginning Oct. 3

Hospice of San Angelo will feature its "Building Bridges" program starting Oct. 3 in San Angelo.

The six-week program helps children ages kindergarten through 12th grade deal with family deaths.

The program will be from 7-8 p.m. on Tuesday nights. There is no charge to attend the program.

For more information, call Hospice of San Angelo at 658-6524.

Meals on Wheels needs volunteers

Meals on Wheels is seeking people to deliver meals.

Please call, 392-5026 to receive services, donate or volunteer.

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Ozona Senior Happenings

By LYNN ENGLISH
Senior Center Director

This week is already hurrying by even faster than the others. It is the case of the more I hurry the more behind I get. I wish this week would be longer because of the wonderful cool mornings we have been having. I keep reminding myself that we still have Indian summer ahead of us.

Nell Wester, Jo Ann Babbitt and I went to the RSVP award luncheon in San Angelo Sept. 8. There were 400 that attended and we were there to represent Crockett County. It was an event that we will not soon forget.

It has been reported to me that Jess Marley is back at home in Ozona. Jess we are very happy to have you back and wish you a speedy recovery.

The Concho Valley Community Action was here at the Senior Center, Sept. 12. This organization helps those who qualify with their utilities.

We had our Senior Bingo Social Sept. 12 at the Crockett County Senior Center. After our meal of lasagna, salad and dessert, we played bingo. We were fortunate to have several folks from the Care Center in attendance.

Next week we will again having our Movie Matinee here at the Senior Center at 2:00 pm on Wednesday, September 20, 2006. The movie will be "O Pioneers" starring Jessica Lange. We will serve popcorn and sodas to those who attend.

New Sound will be here Thursday, Sept. 21 at 9 a.m. New Sound will be checking your ears and see if you have a wax build up which can

cause you not to hear well. Call 325-949-9993 for an appointment.

I am hearing that Joe and Marolyn Bean are away on a trip. We wish them a safe and enjoyable journey.

Elma Buckner dropped by last Thursday at the Senior Center. She donated two sombreros and an interesting puzzle to the center. It is always a treat to see Elma and we hope we will be seeing more of her here in the future.

Joe Warren Friend dropped by last week and played a little bridge with the bridge ladies of which his mother Dorothy Friend was one. He later returned and played a tune on the piano. He played really well and I later heard that he also plays the guitar. We are lucky to have such a talent in our midst.

We are anxious to hear E. A. Wadsworth about teaching line dancing. There have been several people say they are interested and it is a great way to exercise. Please watch this column for a time and a date. We think E. A. is wonderful to want to do this.

Do not forget that we have the Defensive Driving videos (or DVD's) to rent here at the Crockett County Senior Center. The cost to rent them is \$40 and you are allowed to keep them 72 hours.

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

Come "Walk Two Miles" with us every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 8:30 am. This exercise program conditions you to begin your day and everyone who participates testifies that it makes them feel better. Our group has now narrowed down to four regulars Marolyn Bean, Brenda Newton, Betty Fields, and Barbara Bird.

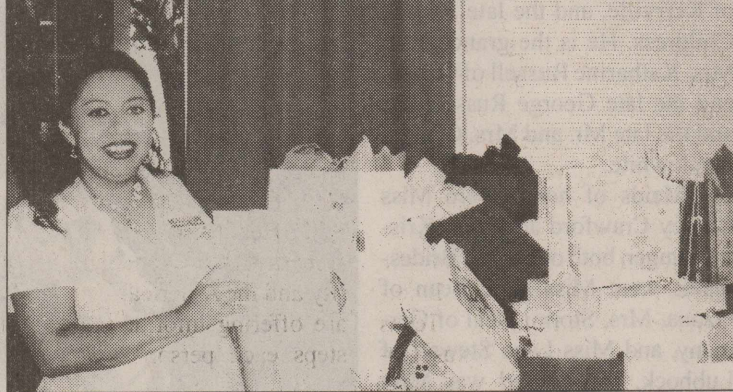
The bridge players come to the Senior Center to play every Monday and Thursday afternoon at 1:30 p.m. These ladies have such fun and bring smiles with them. Come by and let them cheer up your Mondays and Thursdays. Those who played bridge last week Sadies Davidson, Dorothy Friend, Jo Ann Babbitt, Marolyn Bean, Marilyn Cox, Eileen Childress, Jean Odom, Liz Williams, Katherine Russell, Nell Webster, Shirley Kirby, and Celia West.

Our activities are for those of you over 50 years of age. (We are flexible). Come out and see us soon and see what you are missing.

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Submitted photo
LUCILLE LITTLETON (left) celebrated her 101 birthday with her sister Geniece Childress on Sept. 5 at the Care Center.



Submitted photo
LYN ROSE MARY NELMS was honored with a baby shower by the staff of the Crockett County Care Center on Sept. 5.

Care Center Chatter

By JAN ST. CLAIR TICE
Activity Director

We had visitors from the state this week for our yearly inspection. We are a deficiency free facility. It takes teamwork from all departments to make this happen. We are all proud of our accomplishments.

This past week our residents and staff enjoyed watermelon and bundt cake from Leesa Marshall's 4-H food and nutrition group. Thank you all, the food was very good and well presented.

Our residents also had cupcakes from the Buena Vista Baptist Church. They were brought by Josephine Dominguez and husband and son. Thank you so much, our residents have enjoyed all the great treats this past week.

Our lovely lady of music, Judy Reager, entertained our residents with her singing for residents, staff and guests during our September birthday party.

Celebrating September birthdays are residents Lucille Littleton, Sue Kelly and June Reeves. Our birthday parties are sponsored by Crockett National Bank.

Volunteers for the week are the First Baptist Church of Ozona, the Ozona Church of Christ, the Ozona United Methodist Church, Nell Wester and Rachel Ybarra.

Thanks to everyone that donates their special time to our residents.

We will have a Diez y Seis party at 3 p.m. Sept. 15 in the main dining room.

Come join the celebration.

Levis & Lace Square Dance News

By TINA JARVIS
Levis and Lace Square Dancer

Tuesday club members Leroy and Carol Adcock, Nell Wester, Renee Padier, Jim Couch, Raul De La Rosa, Lucy Hinde and Danny and Tammi Monzingo, danced at the Care Center.

Saturday, caller John Geen from San Angelo held a callers workshop.

John spent a lot of time coaching me in my patter calling. John would tell me what to do and I would try to do the patter to his directions.

Rita Rios worked on her patter and did two singing calls for the dancers to dance to and gave them a break from the patter. Rita has been through John's calling school a few years ago

and it didn't take much for her to pick up and go on with her calling.

Jim Couch, has been wanting to try to call and hasn't been through the school yet, but he called a patter sequence and did very well.

I would like to thank club members Nell Wester, JoAnn Babbitt, Renee Padier, Raul and Maria De La Rosa, Danny and Tammi Monzingo, Lucy Hinde, Jim Couch, Rita Rios Charles Freeman and Al Gordon from San Angelo and Nora and John Geen for participating in this workshop for us.

Mildred Couch our honorary member was feeling better and was able to attend as our guest.

Keep it square and happy dancing!

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His mother had a very difficult start in life because she was severely injured very young and wasn't expected to live. With many months of tender loving care and much attention, she survived. She was smaller than the others but she would try to run and play but she just didn't have the strength. As time went by she grew but she needed special care and then one day my wife came in and said, "Get ready for a shock, I think she is going to have a baby". We gave her special feed and finally my wife said, "She has had her baby but she is hiding it from us". Then came the time she would take it with her when she came out to eat but she was very protective. If any other animals came near she immediately ran them off. We could watch her from a distance when she let the little baby deer nurse and was she ever so proud of it. She would lick on it and take it wherever she went. That mother deer and the way she loves and cares for her baby reminds me of how much God loves us, "John 15:9, Romans 5:8, Ephesians 2:4&5". We call her baby Scooter because after he has had his milk he runs and zips all around his mother. Rest assured, God loves us very much, "John 3:16 & 1John 4:10."

See you in Church next Sunday.

Brother J

<p>First Baptist Church 901 Ave. D Rev. John Collis Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting - 6:30 p.m. Awanas: Wednesday - 5:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Ozona Church of Christ 1002 11th St. Mr. Johnnie Perkins Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:00 p.m. Sun. Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.</p>	<p>Ozona United Methodist Church 12 - 11th St. Rev. John Fluth Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.</p>
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<p>New Beginnings Church 701 9th Street Pastor Jesse Cardona Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Tuesday Worship: 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Iglesia de Cristo Hwy 163 S. at Quail Run Interim - Ray Valadez Sunday Bible Study: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. - Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 6 p.m.</p>	

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By Miles Dabovich, CEA-AG/NR

Disaster preparedness is important for everyone

Since Sept. 11, 2001, and Hurricane Katrina much has changed our world, nation, state and community.

We have become much more aware of the devastation that may be caused by unexpected disasters - whether they are caused by nature or by accident or by terrorist attacks.

We often worry about the what ifs and wonder what we can do to protect ourselves and our families.

To help reduce the threats, Crockett County has an extensive Emergency Management plan in place.

Other agencies such as the Governor's Division of Emergencies Management, Texas Homeland Security, Texas Co-

operative Extension Texas Department of State Health Services and many local and National agencies are working to prepare the state for disaster.

But each individual, family and community needs to take steps to prepare for a possible disaster.

September is National Preparedness Month, which is part of an annual effort to help communities in every state become better prepared for disasters. To help citizens become disaster-ready, Texas Cooperative Extension, the Texas Department of State Health Services, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and the American Red Cross are offering information on the steps each person should take

before a disaster occurs.

Being disaster-prepared is more than just knowing what to do in case of a tornado or a fire.

It also involves:

- Developing and practicing an emergency plan for your family
- Preparing 72-hour disaster supply kits for your home, office and car
- Understanding your community's warning systems and evacuation routes
- Knowing whom to contact in your community for more information
- Getting involved in local preparedness efforts

Disasters most often are unpredictable, and they can be devastating.

But the more you prepare,

the better you will know exactly what to do and where to go and the more likely that you and your family will be safe.

For more information on disaster education, contact your local extension office at 392-2721 or visit the office at 1301 Avenue AA.

Other tips are available through a nationwide network known as the Extension Disaster Education Network (EDEN). Texas EDEN information is on the web at <http://texashelp.tamu.edu>.

Free publications call "Preparing For the Unexpected" are available free of charge at the county Extension office and locations throughout town.

Disaster preparedness programs are also being conducted at some of the local schools.



Photo by Melissa Perner

CHARLES MCCLEARY, manager of the Ozona Municipal Airport, holds the plaque the airport received from the 2006 Air Race Classic for Ozona's being the Top Stop during the race that took place June 20-23.

CENTER: Cookout being planned within next two weeks

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already been paid for 2006-2007, however a significant decrease in premium value should be seen upon the next renewal date due to the extraordinary survey.

Gibbs stated that the maintenance department received two tags in their "life safety" survey. The life safety survey is comprised of the mechanics of the facility. The equipment and machinery, such as emergency generator, fire alarm system, pest control, fire drills, disaster drills, etc., etc., is inclusive in the life safety survey.

Gibbs noted that the two tags cited were unfortunate but were somewhat "non-controllable" tags by the maintenance dept. These tags were applied because of the new 2000 Life Safety Code that requires different heights of fire alarm pull stations to be at. These types of tags will have to be resolved by our fire alarm contractor Simplex-Grinnell. The Care Center has been given a year to remedy this situation.

Gibbs noted that he was extremely happy about the survey and that a deficiency free survey just doesn't come along that often.

"It was a lot of work that began right after the survey in 2005 until they (inspectors) returned this past Tuesday (Sept. 5)," he said.

Gibbs concluded that he was planning probably a "steak cookout" for his staff within the next two weeks.

Gibbs stated, "Don't worry, the steak will not come from the county taxpayers."

Gibbs concluded his conversation with, "and thank you again Dr. Sims, Ike and the entire community of Ozona for all your support, beliefs in the Care Center, and prayers, for without your support we couldn't succeed as well as we did."

The county was also presented a \$13,000 credit for reducing insurance costs from the Texas Association of Counties

COUNTY: Burn ban lifted

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The four main problems the school is having are:

1. Primary school roof - Severe leaks and could cost from half a million to a million dollars to fix. In fact, the board has discussed building a new school, Gott said.

2. Buses - Two of the charter-style buses are costing \$28,000 each in repairs, with one that has transmission problems.

Gott said that he recommends buying buses that are newer, such as two to three years old and researching where the buses have been.

Gott also said that he has heard bad reports about the program that allows schools to buy Bluebird buses new for \$150,000 each. There are no restrooms on the bus and the air conditioning has been questionable, Gott said.

Chartering buses from Kerrville Bus Company may be a possibility for the late October Van Horn football game trips, Gott said.

3. Technology - The school district has not had a replacement schedule for computers and the district needs one to keep technology and learning up to date, Gott said.

4. Heritage Building - The wooden windows are rotted. Gott said he talked to the Texas Historical Commission and pointed out that wood was inefficient and expensive, but that the school could send pictures of the modern, energy efficient windows for approval from the commission.

"We need to get on a schedule of facilities being upgraded," Gott said.

A community committee will be formed that will make recommendations on to

What the bond money will be spent on, Gott said.

"Whatever that committee recommends, we will seriously consider it," he said. "I know some people see there is \$29 million dollars, but we have to give \$20 million of that away to the state."

The county was also presented a \$13,000 credit for reducing insurance costs from the Texas Association of Counties

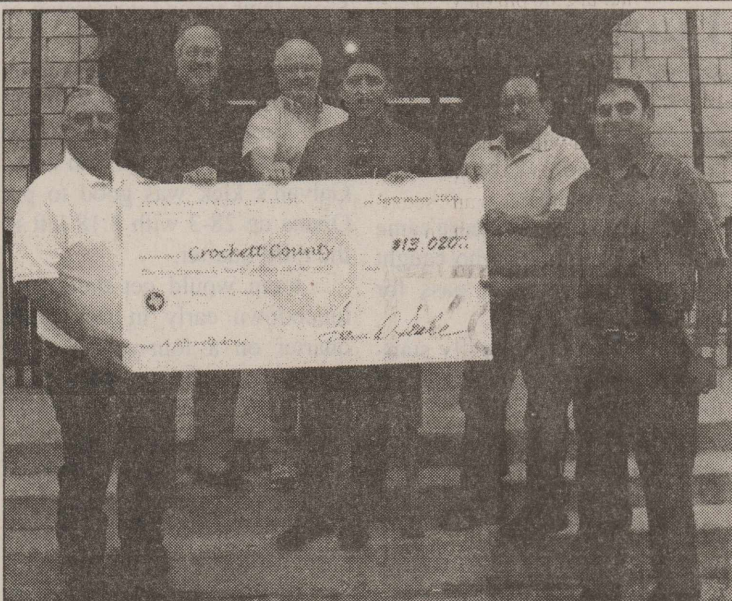


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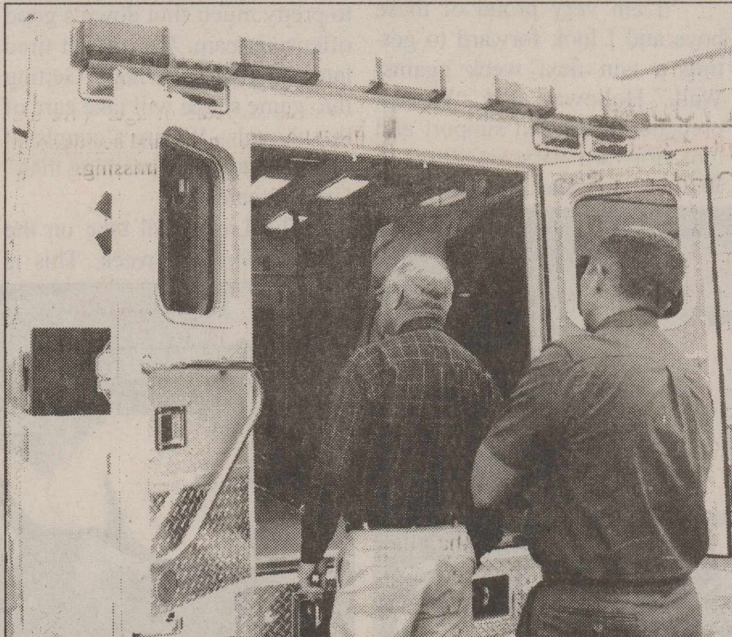


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COMMISSIONERS Pleas Childress III (left) and Frank Tambunga take a look inside Crockett County's newest ambulance. Standing in the ambulance is Lou Carson.

risk management pool.

The pool is part of several self-insurance programs owned and operated by counties that save tax dollars by allowing Texas counties to band together to obtain better rates for insurance coverage.

With the recent rains, the commissioners voted not to renew the burn ban for another month, but said Crockett County citizens should remain extremely cautious when igniting controlled burns.

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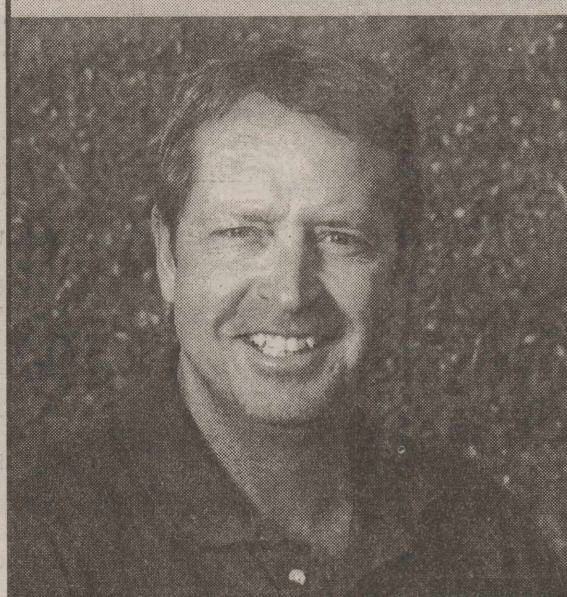
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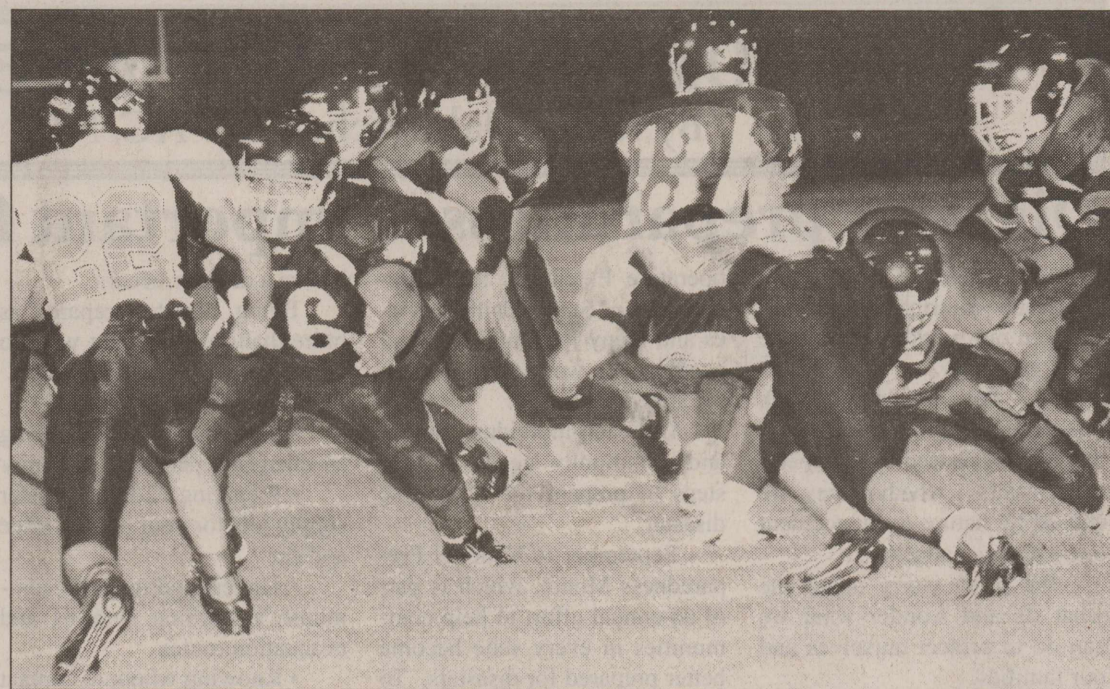
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SENIOR QUARTERBACK JORDAN LONG keeps a tight grip on the ball the half second before Junior fullback Ely Silva clobbers the Iraan defensive player. The Lions picked up a two point conversion on the play



#66 MATTHEW PAYNE blocks Iraan defender #22 as Jordan Long pitches the ball to Arty Gonzales for a touchdown run for the Lions. Also making big blocks to contribute to the touchdown are AJ Montanez, Ely Silva and Freddy Fierro (r.).

Photo by Joe Hernandez

Photo by Joe Hernandez

Despite loss, JV Lions improve

By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher

The JV Lions traveled to Iraan Thursday where they took on the Braves.

The Lions lost 33-14 but showed some improvement throughout the game.

"The guys greatly improved upon last week on offense and showed some resilience throughout the game. We lost our tailback on the first play to a broken arm on a sweep play around the right side," said Coach Justin Holloway. "We are plagued by some injuries right now and I'm proud of the guys for stepping up and playing hard. One thing we have to get better at is defense. They are playing hard, we are just having to look at some guys in places they have never played due to key injuries so the learning curve will have to be fast."

Steven Silva scored his first touchdown of the season for the Lions on a 45-yard run up the

middle in the second quarter. Silva also played well from his inside linebacker position, where he made 12 tackles and recovered a fumble.

The other Ozona score came from Johnny Flores who caught a 65-yard touchdown pass for the Lions.

"He (Flores) is really starting to mature as a football player for us," Holloway said.

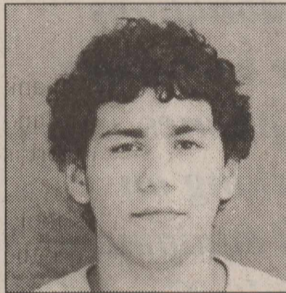
Austin Whitten also made a strong showing as outside linebacker with three solo tackles and two assists.

"He (Whitten) stepped into a new position and played very well for us," Holloway said.

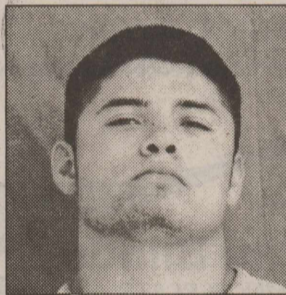
The JV Lions will take on the mighty Wall Hawks at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in Wall.

"I am very proud of these boys and I look forward to getting a win next week against Wall," Holloway said. "We appreciate all the fan support and look forward to seeing you in Wall on Thursday."

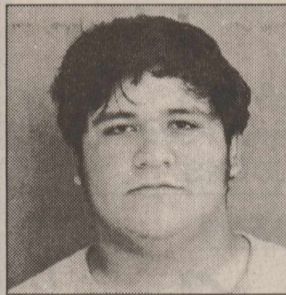
OFFENSIVE MVP'S OF THE WEEK



Josh Santos
Josh had 101 yards on 13 carries.

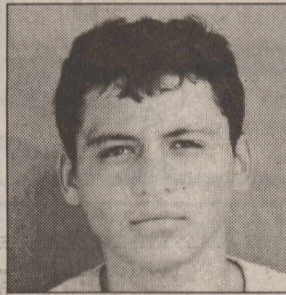


Ely Silva
Ely had 83 yards on 14 carries and two touchdowns.



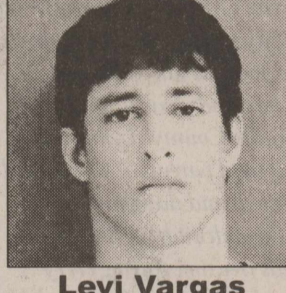
Freddy Fierro
Freddy had a great game blocking.

DEFENSIVE MVP OF THE WEEK



Stevie Vargas
Stevie had 7.5 tackles

SPECIALTIES MVP OF THE WEEK



Levi Vargas
Levi had two returns for 79 yards.



THE VARSITY LIONS emerge from the Lion for the second half as the Lion Band played and smoke swirled.

Photo by Joe Hernandez



RUSSEL KOMECHAK takes down an eighth grade Iraan Brave before #72 Andrew Sanchez can arrive to assist.

Contributed Photo

Varsity Lions (continued from page one)

Jose Galvan's kick was good to put Ozona up 21-3 with six minutes left in the third quarter.

On the punt return, Iraan fumbled the ball and Justin Maldonado recovered to give the Lions their second possession of the half.

At the Iraan 12-yard line, on fourth and four, Long found Levi Vargas who fought off two Braves to get into the end zone. Galvan's kick was good to put Ozona up 28-3 with 3:18 left in the third quarter.

Iraan would get their only touchdown early in the fourth quarter on a four-yard run by Zach Calvert. Preston Villanueva rushed for the two-point conversion to put the score at 28-11.

The Braves tried to score again toward the end of the game, but the Lions defense prevailed with key stops by Montanez, Stevie Vargas, Silva, Gonzales, Galvan, Colby Mayfield, Santos, Fierro and an interception by Levi Vargas.

"Defensively we were able to pretty much shut down a good offensive team. We did get tired late and got a little lazy. Getting into game shape will take care of that though. We are a couple of weeks away from attaining that," Granger said.

The Lions will take on the Wall Hawks this week. This is

the first time in two years that the two teams have played in what will be a non-district match.

Wall is coming off a 14-13 loss to Goldthwaite, its first regular season loss since 2004. Both Ozona and Wall are now 1-1 for the season.

Game time is 8 p.m. Friday at Lion Stadium.

SCORES FROM DISTRICT 7-AA AND THE AREA

Goldthwaite	14
Wall	13
Lamesa	19
Kermit	(OT) 13
Alpine	21
McCamey	6
Greenwood	41
Crane	0
Reagan County	14
Stanton	12
Anthony	27
Van Horn	13
Sonora	27
Brackettville	7

Ozona 28, Iraan 11

SCORE BY QUARTERS:
Ozona 0 14 14 0 - 28
Iraan 3 0 0 8 - 11

SCORING SUMMARY

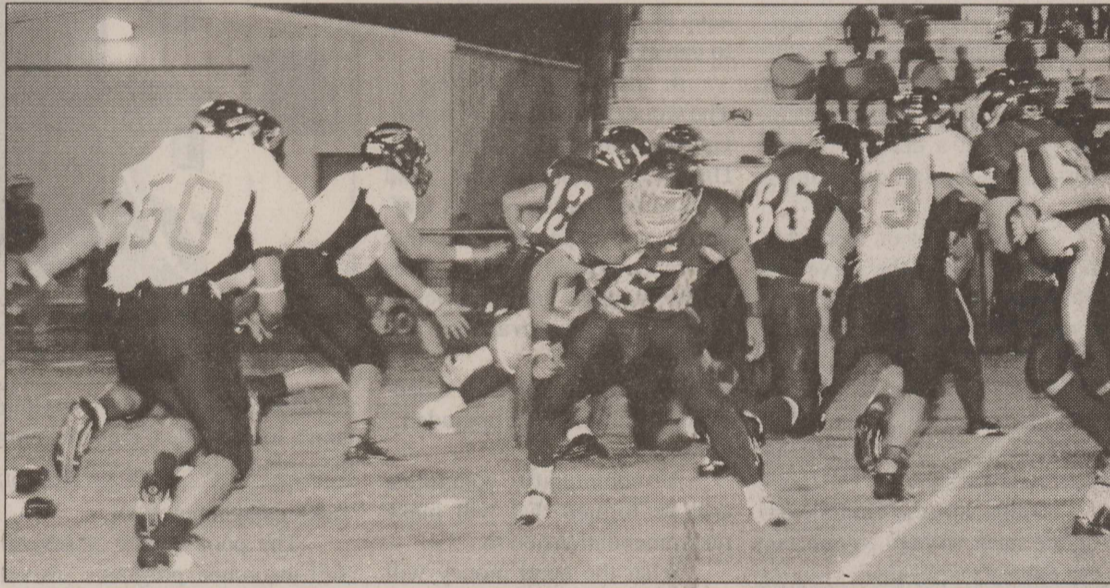
First Quarter:
Iraan - 4:43 remaining, Len Slaughter 21 field goal.
Second Quarter:
Ozona - 11:54, Ely Silva 8 run (kick failed).
Ozona - 6:49, Silva 14 run (Jordan Long run)
Third Quarter:
Ozona - 6:01, Arty Gonzales 1 run (Jose Galvan kick).
Ozona - 3:18, Levi Vargas 12 pass from Long (Galvan kick).
Fourth Quarter:
Iraan - 10:58, Zach Calvert 4 run (Preston Villanueva run).

TEAM STATISTICS

	Ozona	Iraan
First Downs	12	12
Total Yards	295	186
Rushing Yards	261	129
Passing Yards	34	57
Passing	3-4-0	4-10-1
Fumbles-lost	1-0	2-2
Punts-Avg	1-45	1-34
Penalties-Yards	5-35	5-15

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing:
Josh Santos, 101 yards.
Passing:
Jordan Long, 34 yards
Receiving:
Levi Vargas, 3 receptions for 34 yards.



STEVIE VARGAS (r.) and #65 Freddy Vargas sandwich the Iraan ball carrier as #54 Tell Churchill eyes an approaching Brave.

Photo by Joe Hernandez

Eighth-grade Lions lose close battle to Iraan Braves

By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher

The Eighth Grade Ozona Lions lost a close battle to the Iraan Braves, 8-6, Thursday in Iraan.

Scoring for the Lions was Abey Lara on a 43-yard pass from quarterback Chris Rendon.

"The Ozona offense was powered by a great job of the linemen and the backs running hard," said Coach John Esparza.

"The Loins defense was great all night giving up only four first downs the whole game. We played hard and made some great plays on both sides of the ball, we just came up a bite short. We are looking forward to a very successful season this year."

Others playing for the Lions: Russell Komecheck, Eric Talamantez, Josh Gonzales, Anthony Gonzales Sean Davis, Kyle Dean, Austin Suddreth, Miguel

Vergera, Jose Aguilar, Anthony Tambunga, Trey Fierro, Alonso Quiroz, Ben Hernandez, Tyler Vitela, Andrew Sanchez, Joe Borrego, Stefan Wilson, Richard Borrego, Hector Hernandez, David Perez and Andrew Hamilton.

Both the Seventh Grade and Eighth Grade Lions will have their season home opener against the Wall Hawks starting at 5 p.m. Thursday at Lion Stadium.

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Cross country teams compete at Water Valley

Varsity Lions, middle school Lady Lions take second

By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher

The Ozona Cross Country teams competed in the 2006 Water Valley Concho Valley Classic this past weekend.

The Varsity Lions finished second in the meet with 83 points behind Wall who had 25.

Other teams placing were: 3. Grape Creek 106; 4. Brady 111; 5. Stanton 125; 6. Midland Classical 150; 7. Abilene Wylie 152; 8. Midland High JV 208; 9. Permian JV 235 and 10. Midland Lee JV 251.

Individually, Roman Tambunga finished third with a time of 18 minutes, 11.3 seconds and Levi English finished seventh at 18:23.0.

"The team ran well, but has got room for improvement over the coming weeks. This is crunch time now where our training has to step up in intensity and we have to improve as a unit," said Coach Justin Holloway. "The guys are really working hard and showing great dedication. Some of our young guys who don't have very much varsity experience are getting stronger and show so much promise. We are finally getting some guys back to running after some football injuries have kept them out for the first two meets, so that is something to look forward to."

The Varsity Lady Lions finished 11th with 292 points.

Other teams placing were: 1. Wall 36; 2. Stanton 78; 3. Abilene Wylie 96; 4. Reagan County 139; 5. Coahoma 143; 6. Greenwood 155; 7. Coleman 163; 8. Central



Photo by Shona Moore

OZONA MIDDLE SCHOOL LADY LIONS (left to right) Makayla Badillo, Chelsea Moore and Rebecca Ramos get warmed up before the big race at the 2006 Water Valley Concho Valley Classic near San Angelo this past weekend.

JV 172; 9. Brady 202; 10. Midland High JV 258; 12. Permian JV 327; 13. Midland Lee JV 364 and 14. Lakeview 368.

Individual results are: 34. Vanessa Rodriguez; 62. Farran Wilson; 77. Sarah Dorough and 102. Vanessa De La Garza.

The Middle School Lions finished 10th in the event with 249 points.

Other teams placing were: 1. Winters 86; 2. Wall 125; 3. Lee 126; 4. Grady 163; 5. Ballinger 165; 6. Garden City 172; 7. Christoval 204; 8. Veribest 212; 9. Lincoln 244; 11. Cornerstone 281; 12. Lee 306; 13. Glen 309; 14. Sterling City 313; 15. Glen 350; 16. Eden 372 and 17. Irion County 375.

Individually results are: 3. Josh Gonzales, 8:48.8 and 14. Stefan Wilson, 9:13.0.

"The whole team is showing so much more improvement each and every week. I'm excited about the programs future and what these boys can accomplish

come district meet in October," Holloway said.

The Middle School Lady Lions finished second with 92 points behind the Wall girls with 88.

Other teams placing were: 3. Grape Creek 118; 4. Irion County 119; 5. Coleman 133; 6. Ballinger 154; 7. Stanton 209; 8. Wylie 238; 9. Glen 238; 10. Lee 253; 11. Veribest 290; 12. Rankin 300; 13. Christoval 313; 14. Eden 337; 15. Lincoln 374; 16. Iraan 379.

Individual results are: 5. Rebekah Ramos, 9:56.2; 6. Chelsea Moore, 9:59.5; 23. Makayla Badillo; 35. Melanie Miller; 45. Alex Rodriguez; 55. Maria Villarreal; 93. Natalie Hernandez and 98. Gabby Gutierrez.

"It was a good job overall for the varsity and middle school Lady Lions. We are getting better each week and it shows," said Coach John Jackson.

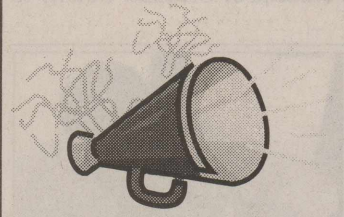
The teams will compete in the Angelo State Stampede Saturday in San Angelo.

Blackout Pep Rally Friday

This week's pep rally is the OHS favorite Blackout Pep Rally. Wear your glow in the dark jewelry and clothes and join in the fun and excitement as the cheerleaders and band raise the roof at Davidson Gym Friday at 3:20 p.m.

Let's all cheer the Lions to another victory this week against Wall.

Remember to fly your Ozona Lions flags on Friday.



Join the Homecoming Parade

It's time to start making plans for the Homecoming parade on Friday, Oct. 6.

The OHS Cheerleaders want to encourage all businesses and community organizations to decorate a float and join in the parade.

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Project Graduation pre-game supper Friday


Welcome back to another great football season! Friday, Sept. 15, the awesome Lions will be facing the Wall Hawks, and Project Graduation would like to invite everyone to come out and support our Lions.

We will be hosting the dinner that evening at the Civic Center. Once again we will be serving our infamous BBQ chicken and sausage, beans, potatoes, salad, tea, bread and the mouth watering homemade banana pudding all for the low price of \$5 per plate.

Serving will start at 5 p.m. and take out orders are available. Tickets will be available at Crockett National Bank, any PG board member or at the door that evening. All proceeds are to assist Project Graduation night when we invite all of our high school youth to come for a night of fun and games.

So we ask everyone to come out Friday and let us feed you a great meal before you go watch our own Lions maul those Hawks.

As always we ask the Lord to always keep all of our kids free from harm and injury.



We appreciate your support.
Project Graduation Board Members
Ramon Maldonado
Ismael Villarreal
Esmi Barrera
Mack Richie
Peri Lee Fenton
Shona Moore
Chad Poindexter
Debbie Long

Booster Club needs businesses for concession stands

The Ozona Athletic Booster Club would like to thank the Knights of Columbus for operating the concession stand for the varsity football game against Iraan. Your support is greatly appreciated.

The Ozona High School Athletic Booster Club is looking for a community businesses that would like to work the concession stand during the Lion Homecoming game against Marfa on Oct. 6.

If that date doesn't work then how about the last home game on Nov. 10 against Kermit?

Join the Knights of Columbus, ONB and CNB in supporting the Lions. Call 392-3200 if you would like to help.

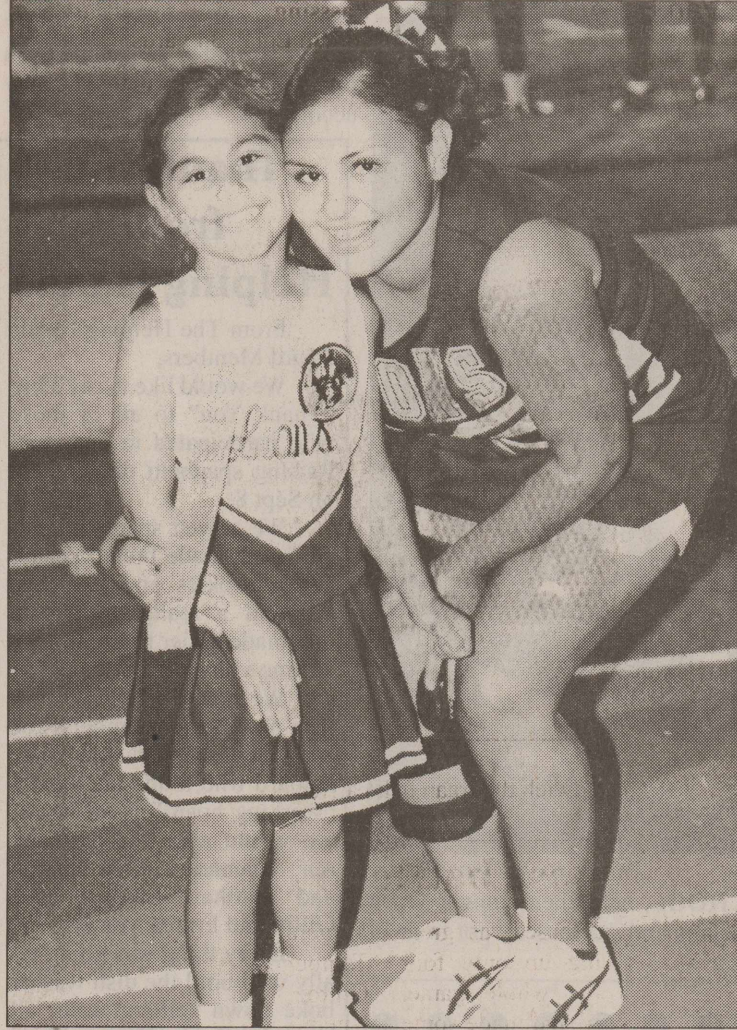
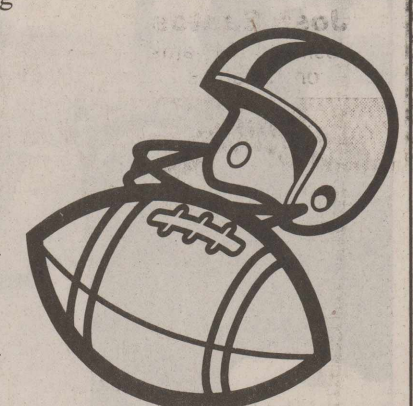


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VARSITY CHEERLEADER CASSANDRA SALAZAR and **Arianna Vargas** strike a pose at the game on Friday at Lion Stadium.

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publisher@ozonastockman.com

Happy Friendship Day!
Thanks for always being there!



Sincerely,
Tonya

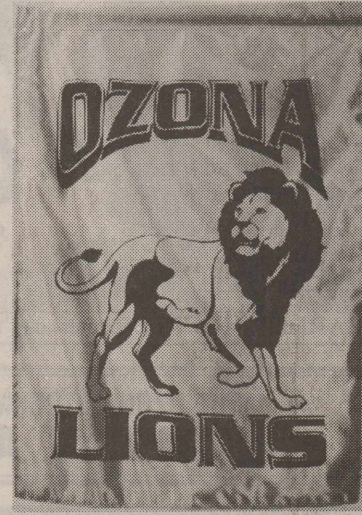
Individuals who are no longer enrolled in school and who have not previously met minimum expectations on all sections of the TAAS or TAKS test, but who have met all other graduation requirements, may register to retake the necessary section(s).

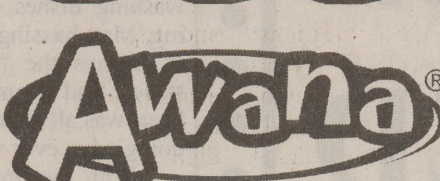
Out-of-School retesters can register for the TAAS or TAKS retest by accessing <http://k12testing.tx.ncspearson.com> or by completing and submitting a paper registration form. Registration packets are available in the counselor's office at Ozona High School.

The appropriate registration form must be submitted online or returned in the preaddressed envelope and received in Austin, Texas, no later than 5:00 p.m. September 15, 2006.

Fly the Ozona Lions flag on Fridays

The Ozona Booster Club encourages all community businesses to show their Lion pride by placing their Lion flags outside on Fridays. If you don't have one, call 392-3200 and the Booster Club will get one to you. **GO LIONS!**





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Sept. 15 - YOUTH CENTER WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE FOOTBALL GAME!

Sept. 18 - High School Food Night, 7-10 p.m.

Sept. 19 - Middle School Food Night, 7-10 p.m.

Sept. 21 - YOUTH CENTER WILL BE CLOSED DURING THE FOOTBALL GAME; IT WILL OPEN AFTER THE GAME!

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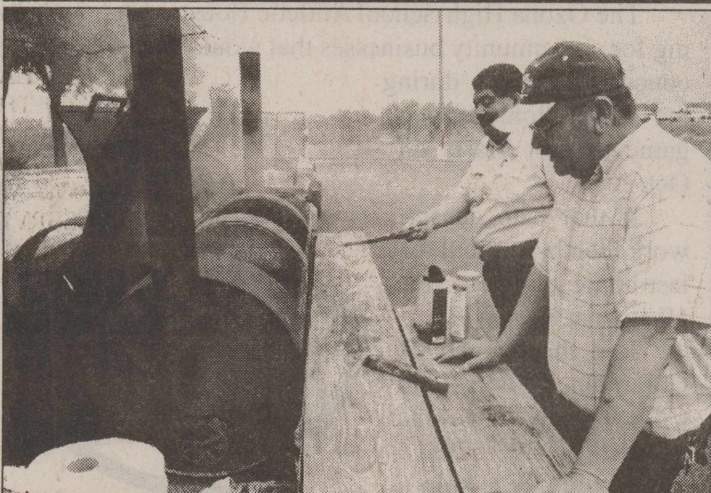
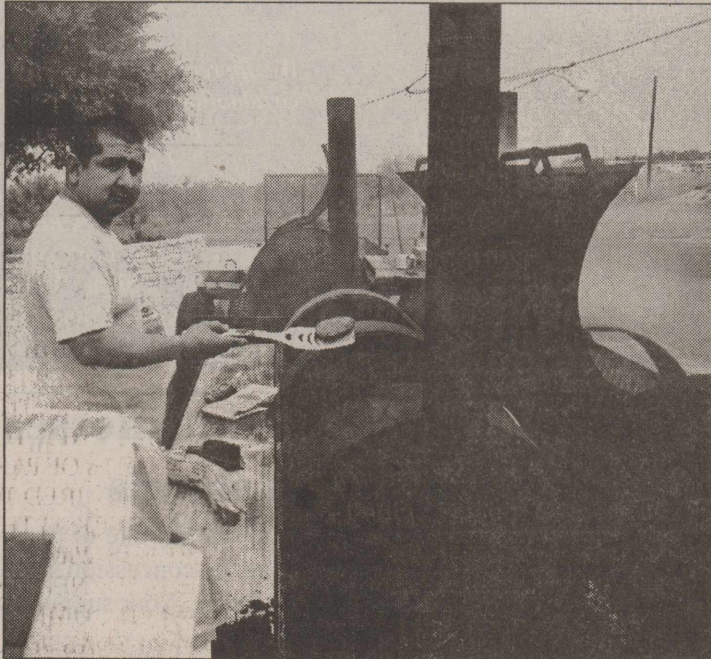
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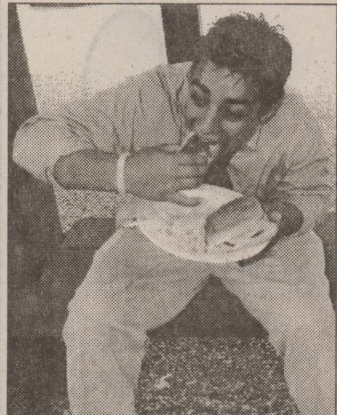
CROCKETT NATIONAL BANK treated the Ozona Lions and the citizens of Crockett County to hamburgers, hot dogs and ice cream on Friday.



THE CHEFS: Bear Borrego (top), Andrew Sanchez (bottom left) and Fred Fierro.

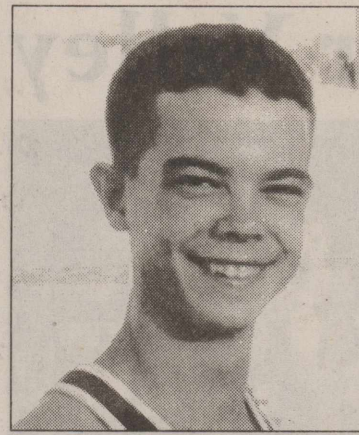


BARRETT RICHIE (center) can't wait to dive into some ice cream.



THE EATING: Chris Fierro (top) takes bite out of his chili dog; Jordan Long (center) gets a double scoop of vanilla ice cream and Freddy Fierro chows down on his burger.

Local student spends summer vacation at U.S. Naval Academy



LEVI ENGLISH spent his summer vacation at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md.

By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher

Levi English had so much fun on his summer vacation, that he almost didn't want to come home for his senior year of high school.

This Ozona student was one of 1,800 top senior high school students from across the country taking part in the U.S. Naval Academy's week-long summer seminar program in Annapolis, Md.

The program introduces Levi English of Ozona.

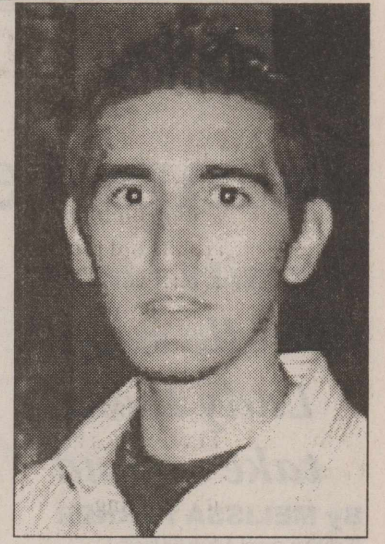
rising seniors to academy life through a regimen of academics, physical training, intramural sports, sailing and seamanship, as well as leadership training and social activities.

"I learned early that staying motivated will allow you to accomplish things that are virtually impossible under normal circumstances. Throughout the week we received challenges from every angle and were forced to overcome them with very little sleep and a high level of physical exertion," English said. "I was able to stay motivated all week, helping my roommates, and squad mates to succeed."

English received his squad leader's nomination for the Blue and Gold ceremony of the week, as well as being commended for his physical achievement and high levels of motivation that helped his squad survive the Candidate Fitness Assessment and the Physical Readiness Test.

English is working on his goal to be accepted to the Naval Academy next summer after he graduates.

He is the son of Ben and Cathy English of Ozona.



Longoria to participate in the 2007 Men's Pro Soccer Combine

Roger Longoria has been accepted to participate at the 2007 Men's Pro-Soccer Combine try-outs in San Ford, Fla. in January 2007.

He is attending The University of Texas of The Permian Basin in Odessa.

He has played soccer with the Falcons for the past four years and was second on the team in scoring and points.

The Falcons made it to the playoffs the last two years and were the 2005 Red River Athletic Conference Champions with each player being awarded a conference championship ring.

He is currently playing with the Odessa Men's League and has been selected as captain of the team under the coaching of Jesus Bernal.

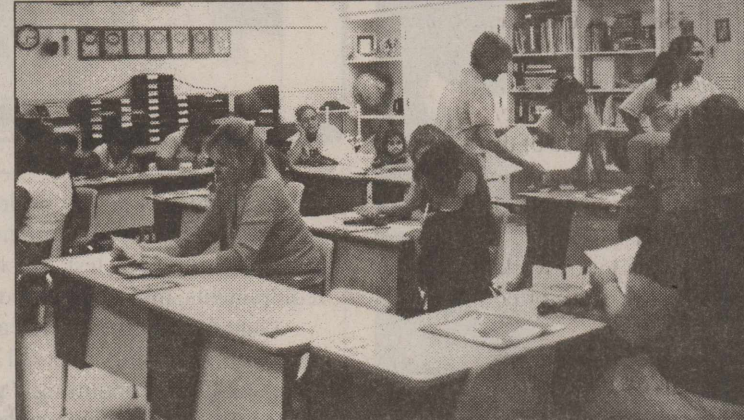
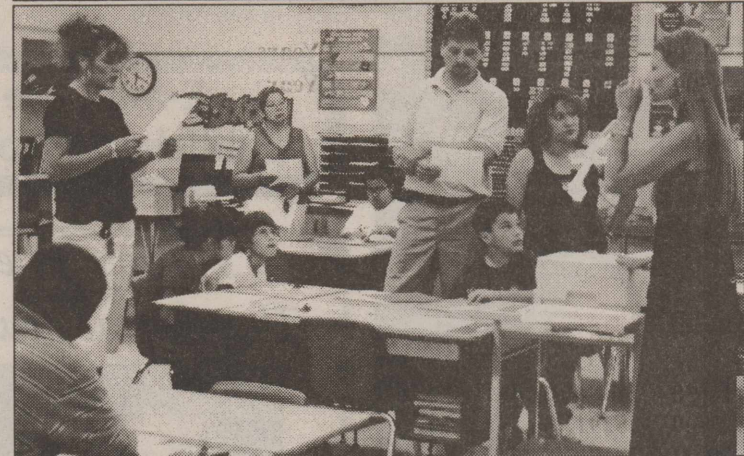
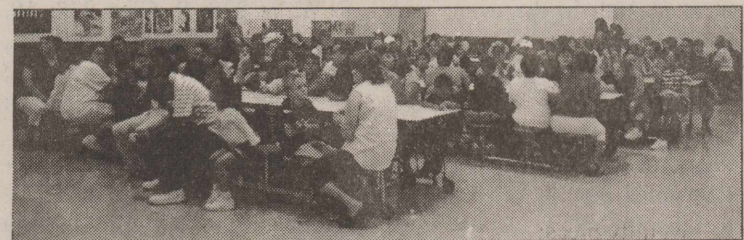
His goal is to one day play for Major League Soccer.

Roger is the son of Rojelio and Vicky Longoria and has a brother, Tommy Longoria, who is currently attending Ozona High School.

His grandparents are Elena Tambunga, Manuel and Cecilia Longoria, great-grandfather, Manuel Longoria Sr.

His parents, brother, aunts, uncles and the rest of the family are very proud of Roger and wish him lots of luck in all that he may accomplish.

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE



OZONA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL held their annual Open House Monday night. Parents, teachers and students all got to meet and eat cookies and punch.

Thank you from Helping Hands

From The Helping Hands Board Members,

We would like to say a big "Thank You" to all of those who participated in our Fund Raising spaghetti dinner held on Sept 8.

We served spaghetti, salad, home made bread, peanut butter cookies and iced tea. We had a really good turn out, made easier by some very willing volunteer help.

We would like to recognize new board members, Joe and Sarah Stewart and Betty Bullard who found out what a "working board" is all about. We would also like to thank our volunteers Asa, Sharon and Matthew Bullard, Jack Gillitt and Emma Munoz.

Every thing was going really well until the dish washer broke down spilling water all over the floor. Do you have any idea how many dirty dishes is created by serving 200 people? No plastic plates or styrofoam cups. Asa wound up washing dishes, Sharon drying, Matt bussing tables, Jack, as always the "Jack" of all trades, and Emma, Bless her heart was all over every where doing what ever she could.

With the board members and the volunteers working like one well oiled unit, a really big task was accomplished and made enjoyable by every one doing what they could to help.

We would also like to congratulate the Iraan Band Directors and Football Coaches on how well behaved and courteous their students are. It was a pleasure serving them, and would be a pleasure for us to have them back.

Thank You,
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Board Members.

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BOARD: Community committee to be formed for bond issue

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Gott said that the old campus could be torn down and then a new school built in the same location as the old primary school, but this one would house grades pre-k through fifth grade.

The intermediate school could then be sold and the money could be used to pay off part of the bond, if this comes about, Gott said.

Along with building a new school, Board Vice President Laurie Hale said that a new main district cafeteria could be built.

The main cafeteria is currently located at the high school, with the food being bused from there to the other campuses.

With a new cafeteria, the

"If we're going to do a bond then we need to do it right. We need people involved, public people who can see the whole process. Every one of us needs to know exactly what's going on."

- Board Vice President Laurie Hale

roles would be reversed with food bused to middle and high schools.

"The one now is running out of room," said Ray Don Myers, maintenance and transportation supervisor.

Gott also said that a bond

could be used for other things, such as:

- New computers
- New buses
- Improvements at Lion Stadium, like a new concession stand and one on the visitor's side.

- New windows at the Heritage Building at the high school.
- New playground equipment at the intermediate school.
- Improvements to the air conditioning in the cafeterias.

"This is stuff we need to think

about and consider," Gott said. "This is a real issue that the eight of us will have to convince the community that we need to do."

The board decided that a committee made up of people of the community, and the school board, to go through the process of getting a bond together and deciding on what to spend it on.

The board also said that public meetings will be held at night for discussion.

"If we're going to do a bond then we need to do it right. We need people involved, public people who can see the whole process. Every one of us needs to know exactly what's going on," Hale said.

Gott also said that the board needs to be prepared in case the committee recommends something that the board doesn't agree with or want.

"You need to be prepared to follow the committee's recommendations," Gott said.

The board will meet again at 6 p.m. tonight, Sept. 13, to take a tour of all four campuses and look at work that needs to be done on each campus.

The regular monthly board meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 20, where the board will discuss more about appointing a committee to look into a bond. The meeting will be in the Administration Building at 797 Avenue D.

Report from the Crockett County Attorney's Office

By **STEVE TALIAFERRO**
Crockett County Attorney

The County Attorney's Office has been busy this month.

We are still reviewing old files to determine what action needs to be taken on files dating from 1995 to the present. In reviewing the old files, we have discovered another 12 money orders that were stuck in files and never cashed. These 12 money orders totaled \$1,570.00. Of the 12 money orders found, 10 were over 6 years old and totaled \$1,070. These are being sent for collection to see if the County can still recover some of its money.

We have filed 13 new cases this month. The following is a summary of the cases filed:

OFFENSE	# OF CASES FILED
Possession of Marijuana under 2 oz.	2
Driving While Intoxicated	1
Possession of Dangerous Drugs	1
Assault	2
Possession of Volatile Chemicals	1
Leaving the Scene of an Accident	1
Making a False Statement to a Peace Officer	1
Criminal Mischief	1
Traffic Appeals from JP Court	2
Probation Violation	1

The following cases were disposed of by guilty pleas:

OFFENSE	PUNISHMENT	PROBATION
Driving While License Invalid	\$500 Fine; \$274 Court Costs	1 Year
Driving While License Invalid	\$500 \$255.25	1 Year
Driving While License Invalid	\$500 \$304	1 Year
Driving While License Invalid	\$500 \$304	1 Year
Driving While License Invalid	\$500 \$255.25	1 Year
Furnish Alcohol to a Minor	\$500 \$255.25	1 Year
Driving While Intoxicated	\$750 \$349	1 Year
Assault Causing Bodily Injury	\$500 \$255.25	1 Year
Probation Revocation ('heft by Check)	6 Months in jail	
Assault Causing Bodily Injury (Family Violence)	\$1,000 \$255.25	2 Years
Driving While License Invalid	\$500 \$304	1 Year
Possession of Marijuana \$500	\$255.25	1 Year
Driving While License Invalid	\$500 \$304	
Assault Causing Bodily Injury	37 Days jail	
Possession of Marijuana	\$750 \$255.25	1 Year
Driving While License Invalid	\$500 \$304	1 Year
Driving While License Invalid	\$500 \$304	1 Year
Make False Report Peace Officer	\$500 \$304	1 Year
Driving While License Invalid	\$350 \$255.25	
Terroristic Threat	38 Days jail	
Theft over \$50 less than \$500	\$250 \$304 Restitution \$393	
Make False Report Peace Officer	\$500 \$291	18 Months
Terroristic Threat	\$500 \$255.25	1 Year
14 Traffic Appeals	\$4,558.00 in Fines and Court Costs	

We also started working on the Hot Check files this past month. We wrote over 100 collection letters and as a result of those letters, we have collected \$6,111.54 in restitution and fees. All those who failed to respond to our letters or failed to make restitution as promised, will have theft by check charges filed against them. We are in the process of filing 58 cases of theft by check to collect \$10,47.52 in restitution. There are 21 files, many of them with more than one hot check, that we are unable to file upon because the statute of limitations has run. The total on these checks is \$8,159.73 that can't be collected because they were not prosecuted in a timely manner.

We are making progress, but still have a lot of work to do to get the criminal docket under control and running smoothly. If anyone has any questions or comments, please feel free to drop by the office any time. Thanks for all your support.

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Crockett County Sheriff's Report

CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS REPORT

TYPE OF CALLS	# OF CALLS
Abandoned/impounded vehicles	3
Animal control, Livestock Complaints	5
Civil Service	3
Courtesy Transports	2
Criminal Activity Complaints	9
Disturbances, Domestic, Loud Noise etc.	12
Gas Thefts	2
Juvenile Complaints	2
Locked Vehicles	19
911 Medical, Fire Calls	2
Motorist Assistance	1
Reckless driving/speeding complaints	5
Security Alarms	1
Sheriff's Office/Jail Admin	8
Suspicious Persons/Vehicles	1
Welfare Concern for Citizen/Property	1
Welfare/gas/food	2
Vehicle Accidents	2
Traffic Citations Issued	7

WEEKLY NEWS REPORT

OUTSTANDING WARRANTS: It is against the law to aid, harbor, or assist in preventing/arrest/apprehension of a person with Felony warrants.

TRAFFIC NOTES: Our small town has a large amount of unsafe drivers operating vehicles among us.

- Racing the Yellow light, to avoid stopping for a red light,
- Unsafe passing of vehicles

on the right side at 1 lane intersections,

- Not stopping for school buses w/red flashing lights,
 - Parking in the middle of streets to unload/pickup school kids,
 - Parking along fire hydrants, in handicap spaces, & blocking driveways
- Please be watchful for these unsafe drivers, we cannot catch them all at once but eventually their bad driving habits will lead them to traffic citations.

ARREST REPORT

9-7-06
 • Robert Lee Heevner, 31, of Ozona was arrested by sheriff's deputy on a Missouri warrant. Subject remains in custody pending extradition hearings.

9-8-06
 • Fernando Nino Fernandez, 26, of Ozona was arrested by sheriff's deputy for driving while license invalid. Subject posted bail and was released.

• Louis Alan Lombranas, 19, of San Angelo was arrested by sheriff's deputy for Public Intoxication. Subject paid fine and was released.

9-10-06
 • Tiffany Rose Tinney, 24, of Ozona was arrested by sheriff's deputy for a felony indictment warrant of failure to appear. Subject posted bail and was released.

9-11-06
 • Ramon Esmerado Trujillo, 21, of Ozona was arrested by sheriff's deputy for public intoxication. Subject paid a fine and was released.

• Enriquez Rodriguez, 25, of Cuba was arrested by DPS Trooper for displaying fictitious license plate. Subject paid fine and was released.

• John Mansell Clark, 38, of Ozona was arrested by sheriff's deputy on a warrant for theft of gasoline. Subject posted bail and was released.

OFFENSE REPORT

9-7-06
 • Sheriff's office filed a theft of property (gasoline) report after a known person failed to pay for gasoline at convenience store on Sheffield Road. Suspect was arrested on a warrant.

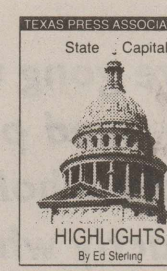
9-8-06
 • Sheriff's office filed an abandoned vehicle report for a vehicle left on Interstate-10.
 • Sheriff's office filed an abandoned vehicle report for a vehicle left on State Highway 163.

• Sheriff's office filed a theft of property (gasoline) report after a known suspect failed to pay for gasoline at local convenience store on Avenue E.

• Sheriff's office filed an assault (family violence) report. Victim reported known person (boyfriend) assaulted her.

9-11-06
 • Sheriff's office filed an Assault (Family Violence) Report. Victim was assaulted at residence on Sheffield road.

Former Texas First Lady 'Nellie' Connally dies at 87



AUSTIN - Texas had a median hourly wage of \$12.50, far below the national average of \$14.28. But, Texas came in a few cents better than its neighbors, Oklahoma and Arkansas.

The complete report can be found online at www.cppp.org.
Candidates say what they'll do

Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn and Gov. Perry rolled out their gubernatorial campaign commercials on television.

Strayhorn portrays herself as the candidate who will shake up the good old boys network in Austin and Perry promotes himself as the candidate who will keep Texas borders safe.

Kinky Friedman, though not through paid TV commercials, said he would do more than Perry when it comes to border security. He said Texas has its own army, the Texas National Guard, and he would order 10,000 troops to the border right away.

Friedman also said he would slap companies that hire undocumented workers with heavy fines and require documented workers to carry a special identification card.

Former Texas first lady Idanell "Nellie" Brill Connally, 87, died Sept. 1 at her residence in Austin.

Gov. Rick Perry ordered that flags be flown at half-staff Sept. 6, from sunrise to sunset, in honor of Mrs. Connally. She was the wife of the late Gov. John B. Connally. Burial was in the State Cemetery Sept. 6.

News of Mrs. Connally's death made headlines and newscasts the world over. As first lady of Texas, she rode in the limousine with her husband and President and Mrs. John F. Kennedy when assassin's bullets rang out on Nov. 22, 1963, in Dallas.

She was preceded in death by Gov. Connally in 1993.

Report details state economy

The Austin think-tank, Center for Public Policy Priorities, issued its annual report, "The State of Working Texas 2006."

The eight-page report, released Sept. 6, shows how Texans are faring economically, based on wages they earn and other measures.

On the bright side, Texas' unemployment rate continues to decline and the Lone Star State is adding jobs at a faster rate than the U.S. as a whole, the report said.

But nearly five years since the 2001-02 recession, the economy has not rebounded with advances in household income or real wages. Texas has shown a 6.2 percent decline in real median (inflation-adjusted) household income since 2002.

Nearly all demographic groups have experienced this decline, but younger workers and African-Americans were hardest hit, the report said.

Education and health services is the fastest-growing sector of the workforce, having increased 15.3 percent since 2000.

McAllen-Edinburg-Mission was the area of the state with the highest unemployment rate at 7.8 percent, but McAllen-Edinburg-Mission also had the highest job growth over the last year, with a 6.5 percent increase.

A chart in the report showed the importance of education. The more educated a Texas resident is, the less likely he or she is to be unemployed.

In yet another measure,

• create a centralized statewide voter registration list;

• improve vote casting and counting systems;

• make more polls accessible for disabled and visually impaired voters;

• provide assistance to "non-English language dominant voters;"

• train election officials, workers and volunteers;

• implement voter education programs.

Statewide voter program debuts

Texas Secretary of State Roger Williams and University of Texas baseball coach Augie Garrido kicked off a state voter education project dubbed "VOTEXAS" Sept. 5 in Austin.

The program encourages voters to find out when they will vote, where they will vote and how to use the new equipment in their precincts.

A mobile exhibit will make its way around the state, demonstrating the five different types of electronic voting machines used in Texas.

People who visit the exhibit will have a chance to cast a practice ballot.

The program complies with the federal Help America Vote Act, which requires states to do the following:

• train election officials, workers and volunteers;

• implement voter education programs.



A VEHICLE ACCIDENT Tuesday morning on 11th Street, and near the intersection of Avenue F, had Crockett County EMS, Sheriff's Department and DPS Trooper busy. The accident involved a Mercury Mountaineer owned by Tonya Bullard and a Cadillac CST owned by Alfredo Tobar. The Mountaineer was crossing 11th Street when it struck the Cadillac that was traveling east. The EMS transported one person and two people went by private vehicle to the Family Health Center of Ozona.

Photo by Melissa Perner

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Thursdays - 5:30 a.m.
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PREVIEW	PG-13	HOLLYWOOD LAND	R
ON SAT. 9/16		12:40 3:50 6:55 9:50	
THE GUARDIAN	(PG-13)	BROKEN BRIDGES	(PG-13)
7:30		1:45 4:10 7:05 9:40	
GRIDIRON GANG	(PG-13)	THE WICKER MAN	(PG-13)
12:45 4:00 7:00 10:00		2:30 4:55 7:35 10:10	
GRIDIRON GANG	(PG-13)	CRANK	(R)
1:10 4:40 7:40 10:35		7:10 9:20	
EVERYONE'S HERO	(G)	INVINCIBLE	(PG)
12:30 2:40 5:00 7:15 9:30		1:50 4:50 7:30 10:05	
THE BLACK DAHLIA	(R)	ACCEPTED	(PG-13)
2:00 4:45 7:50 10:20		2:30 5:10 8:00 10:25	
THE COVENANT	(PG-13)	STEP UP	(PG-13)
2:00 4:45 7:50 10:20		12:15 5:15 7:55 10:30	
THE PROTECTOR	(R)	TALLEDEGA NIGHTS	(PG-13)
2:30 4:35 7:25 9:45		12:35 3:45 6:50 9:25	

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 For Crockett, Sutton, Schleicher, Terrell, Reagan and Val Verde counties

As of Sept. 8, 2006

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
New Wilco Oil & Gas Exp	15000	Ardedge #508	Grey Wolf Drilling/A 43	Assigned
New Wtg Exploration	11000	Smith-200-#1	Patterson Drilling/A 169	Drig Ahead
Est Petroleum Lp	12000	University #114#1 #2501	Lariat Services/Ode-22	Drig Ahead 3717'
New Henry Petroleum	18500	Unit 8-Tany-222-#3	Patterson Drilling/A 108	Drig Ahead 590'
New Approach Operating	9000	J R Bailey -A- 8309	Nabors Drilling (O) 347	Drig Ahead
Anadarko E & P Co Lp	8500	Laura Hoover Estate -52d-#8	Patterson Drilling/A 38	Drig Ahead
New Mlc Operating	7500	Simpson Canyon -1036- Unit #1	Adobe Drilling Bronco	Drig Ahead 2227'
New Tera Oil & Gas Co/M	6100	Hallie Black -3e-#9	Patterson Drilling/A 721	Drig Ahead
New Telesis Operating	3999	Shannon Ranch -3-#6	Sand Dollar Drilling 23	Drig Ahead
Momentum Energy	1850	Chambers County #405	Hope Drilling 1	Moving On

***Sutton County**

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	9650	Brown Ranch -A139-#2	Patterson Drilling/A 39	Assigned
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	9650	Joe Friend Estate -A- #925	Patterson Drilling/A 120	Assigned
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	9500	Morris Brothers Ranch -C77-#2	Patterson Drilling/A 120	Assigned
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	9500	Johannsen -A80- #3	Patterson Drilling/A 784	Drig Ahead
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	8600	Tom Mitchell -2- #99	Patterson Drilling/A 108	Drig Ahead
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	8600	Mayer -36- #13	Patterson Drilling/A 122	Drig Ahead
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	8550	E S Hill-Mayer Jr -Cc-#5	Patterson Drilling/A 742	Assigned
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	8500	Mayer -15- #18	Patterson Drilling/A 108	Assigned
Mariner Energy	8300	Mayer #12a	Patterson Drilling/A 102	Drig Ahead
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	7250	Canyon Ranch #9213s	Patterson Drilling/A 105	Drig Ahead
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	7250	Ward #75	Patterson Drilling/A 115	Drig Ahead
Dominion Ok Tx E&P	6975	Canyon Ranch #2084s	Patterson Drilling/A 161	Drig Ahead
New Dominion Ok Tx E&P	6775	Rip Hill-Ward -B- #5	Patterson Drilling/A 107	Drig Ahead
New Dominion Ok Tx E&P	6400	Reed -100- #22	Patterson Drilling/A 40	Drig Ahead
New Range Production Co	5000	Davis -70- #1	Patterson Drilling/A 42	Drig Ahead

Schleicher County

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
New Approach Operating	9000	Russelot #1317	Patterson Drilling/A 710	Drig Ahead
New Dominion Ok Tx E&P	8750	Ryan -19- #2s	Patterson Drilling/A 742	Rigging Up
New Pago Producing Co	6900	Enochs #3	Heart Land Drilling 2	Moving On
Ruvco Oil & Gas Corp	5000	Powell #5	Heart Land Drilling 3	Drig Ahead 4105'
New Telesis Operating	4999	McGregor -2- #2	Sand Dollar Drilling 21	Drig Ahead

Reagan County

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
New Prime Operating/Mid	9000	South Siles Spraberry Unit	Adobe Drilling Mulesk	Drig Ahead 3802'
New Mariner Energy	9000	Hartgrove -C- #31m	Lariat Services/Ode 16	Assigned
New Mariner Energy	9000	Hartgrove -C- #41m	Lariat Services/Ode 16	Assigned
Mariner Energy	9000	Malone -45- #51m	Lariat Services/Ode 20	Drig Ahead 7480'
New Mariner Energy	8550	Sau Mariner 20-4 #4a	Lariat Services/Ode 17	Drig Ahead 5956'
Mariner Energy	8500	Evan #4	Lariat Services/Ode 19	Run Casing 8100'
Pioneer Natural Lrv	8260	Merchant Unit #3232s	Martlock Drilling 2	Drig Ahead 7262'
New 8 Wtg Exploration	3500	N W Hickman #49	Lariat Services/Ode 6	Drig Ahead 1156'

Terrell County

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Newfield	15000	Ponter #3403	Patterson Drilling/A 118	Drig Ahead
Encana O & G/Dallas	12500	Cuthbertson -18- #5	Nabors Drilling (O) 57	Drig Ahead
ConocoPhillips/Odes	12300	Independence -13- #2	Patterson U/L 481	Drig Ahead 10900'
Encore Operating Lp	12200	Banner Estate #43 H	Nabors Drilling (O) 641	Drig Ahead
Bp America Prod/Mid	11500	Banner Estate #43 H	Helmerich & Payne(A) 214	Drig Ahead
New Fasken Oil & Ranch	7500	Brown Sw -220- #54	Lariat Services/Ode 114	Logging 7064'
Encore Operating Lp	6500	Banner Estate #54	Nabors Drilling (O) 709	Drig Ahead

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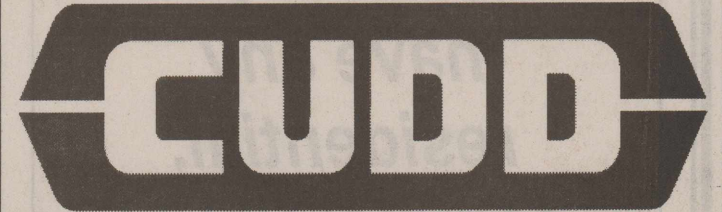
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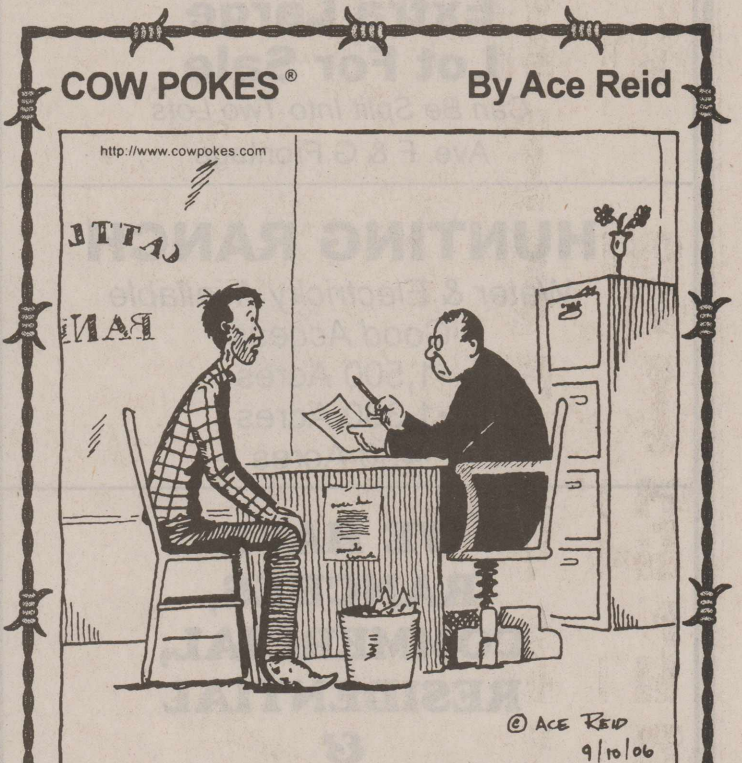
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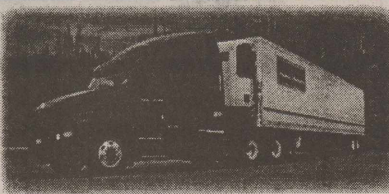
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