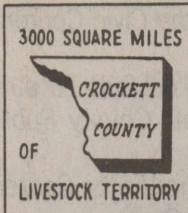


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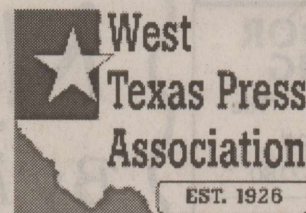
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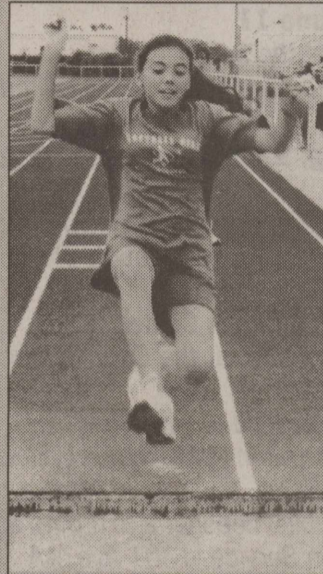
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Mostly Sunny	
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Partly Cloudy	
Saturday	
High 93	Low 72
Partly Cloudy	
Sunday	
High 94	Low 74
Partly Cloudy	

Forecast information provided by the National Weather Service in San Angelo

Former Wool Growers manager pleads guilty

By MELISSA PERNER
 Editor and Publisher

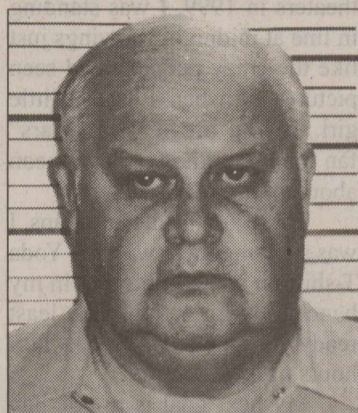
The former manager of Wool Growers Central Storage Co. entered a guilty plea last week to taking \$2 million in a fraud scheme.

Donnie Laughlin, 60, plead guilty to engaging in monetary transactions in property derived from specified unlawful activity on May 31 in a Lubbock federal court. Laughlin is currently out on bond awaiting sentencing.

Sentencing is not expected to take place for about six to eight weeks, said U.S. Attorney Roger L. McRoberts.

Laughlin is facing a maximum imprisonment of up to 10 years, a fine not to exceed \$250,000 or a fine not more than twice the amount of criminally derived property involved, possible restitution and a mandatory term of supervised release of no more than three years, according to the plea agreement that was filed in federal court.

Laughlin was formerly charged by the U.S. Attorney's office on May 17 for carrying



DONNIE LAUGHLIN

on a scheme to defraud and obtained \$2,072,326.56 from the producers/owners of mohair and wool stored at the Ozona and Sanderson warehouses, according to court documents.

Beginning in March 2000, Laughlin carried out the scheme by selling producers' wool and mohair, and not paying the producers the money they were owed, the documents state. Laughlin also sold the products without the producers' knowledge or permission.

Instead of deducting fees for storage and commissions from these sales, and paying over the

balance to the producer, Laughlin would either keep the money for himself or transfer the money from the mohair/wool sales bank account to the bank account of the Wool Growers retail business, the documents state.

Once the money from the fraudulent sales had been transferred and deposited into the Wool Growers retail business bank account, Laughlin would then order the money to be used for regular business expenses of the Wool Growers retail business or would be used by Laughlin in the form of unauthorized additional salary checks and cash, the documents stated.

The documents also state that Laughlin allegedly committed mail fraud by authorizing approximately 34 envelopes from five buyers of wool and mohair that were addressed to "Wool Growers Central Storage" in Ozona. The envelopes contained approximately 34 checks payable to "Wool Growers Central Storage" or "Sanderson Wool Commission" totaling approximately \$758,552.63.

Please see WOOL page 6

Decision time School Facilities Committee to choose an option Thursday

By MELISSA PERNER
 Editor and Publisher

A decision on one final option is what the School Facilities Committee is going to try to achieve this week.

The committee will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday at the high school library.

At a May 31 meeting, members of the committee discussed the options that were presented to them at last meeting.

The options were building a new primary school to house grades pre-K through fifth or move grades pre-k through fifth to the intermediate school. During a previous meeting, the committee had decided that the school district needs to shrink down to three campuses.

One suggestion some committee members made was to present the two options, as well as options of just getting a new primary school roof, a maintenance bond or no bond at all on the ballot for voters to decide.

The problems that soon came up about this option were the confusion voters will face.

Each option may have to have a for or against option, meaning a voter could vote yes on all options or no on all options which would make that ballot invalid, said Superintendent Abe Gott.

Also, since the majority of votes would decide which option would pass, an option could pass with only 26 percent of the population voting on it, said School Board President Dr. Marcus Sims.

Several of the committee members commented on how the architects from Pfluger and Associates presented numbers up to \$16 million to build a new primary school, as well as take care of other maintenance issues the district has.

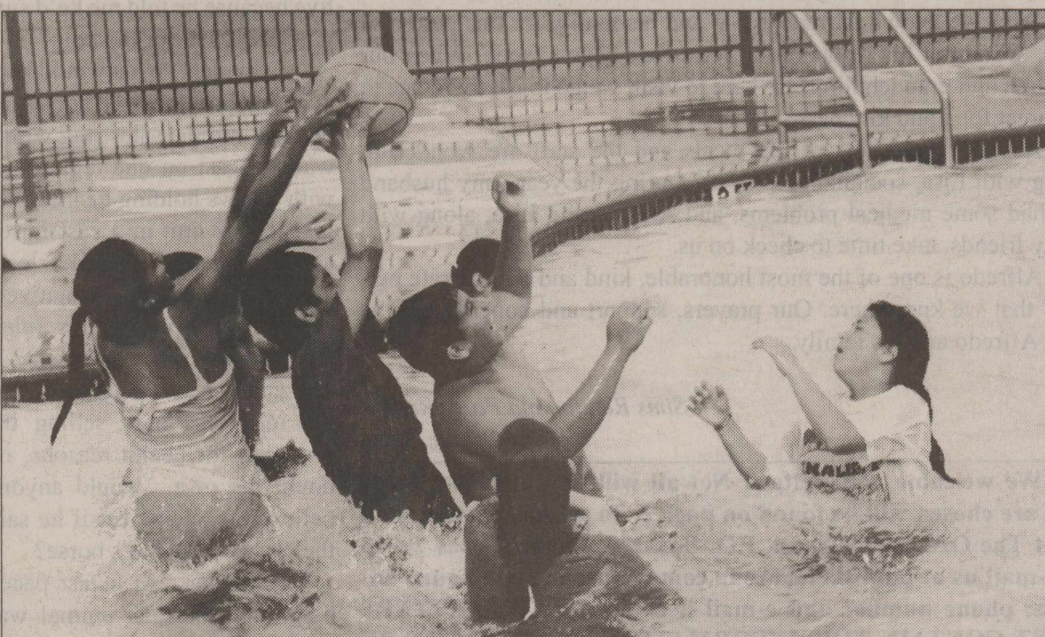
The figure that was presented to add on to the intermediate school was around \$6.8 million.

Since the last meeting, John L. Henderson said he figured that it would cost \$5 million to move pre-K through fifth to the intermediate school, as well as the maintenance and bus issues the district has.

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SWIMMERS at the Crockett County Swimming Pool enjoy the variety of activities.
 Photos by Joe Hernandez

Local lawmakers push bills on a variety of rural issues

By MELISSA PERNER
 Editor and Publisher

An Amber Alert for senior citizens, more funding for state parks and a change to a local water entity were some of the issues Crockett County lawmakers dealt with during the 80th Legislative Session.

State Rep. Harvey Hilderbran, R-Kerrville, was heavily involved in passing many bills, including those that increased funding for state and local parks.

House Bill 12, along with the state budget, will provide about \$182 million in additional funding in the 2008-2009 year for state and local parks.

Hilderbran, the chairman of the House Committee on Culture, Recreation and Tourism, said he has worked to address deficiencies in the state park system since 2003.

"This is a tremendous victory for state and local parks," he said. "We can now begin working to return our parks to the bea-

con system in the nation."

In Crockett County, Hilderbran authored House Bill 4009 to rename the Emerald Underground Water District to the Crockett County Groundwater Conservation District.

To eliminate confusion related to the Emerald Underground Water District in Crockett County, Rep. Hilderbran passed H.B. 4009, which renames the district to the Crockett County Groundwater Conservation District.

In 1989, when the Emerald Underground Water Conservation District was formed, the legislature discouraged using county names.

This caused confusion on the location of the district, Hilderbran said.

When the district was formed the metes and bounds of the Crockett County Water Control and Improvement District were exempted from the Emerald Underground Water Conservation District.

Please see BILLS page 6

History of orphan train brought to life by duo

By LOUISE LEDOUX
 Crockett County Librarian

The Crockett County Public Library will host "Riders on the Orphan Train," a multi-media presentation on Monday.

Times are 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. at the Civic Center. Admission is free and open to the public.

This program is made possible in part by a grant from HumanitiesTexas, the state partner of the National Endowment for the Humanities and is brought to you by the Friends of the Library.

THE PROGRAM
 Novelist Alison Moore and musician Phil Lancaster will offer a public program combining literature, music and audio-visual components on the subject of the Orphan Trains, a largely-unknown chapter in American History.

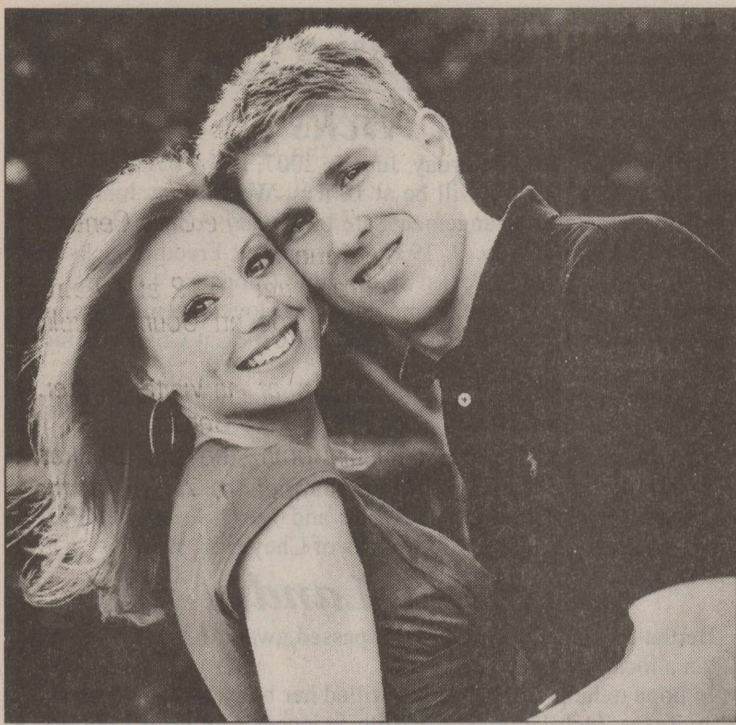
The one-hour program is designed for general audiences of all ages. The program continues with a question and answer session and dialog between presenters and the audience.

'RIDERS ON THE ORPHAN TRAIN'

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 Monday, June 11
TIME:
 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.
LOCATION:
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 at 100 Ave. H
CONTACT: Crockett County Public Library
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HISTORICAL BACKGROUND
 Between 1854 and 1929, over 250,000 orphans and unwanted children of the urban poor from New York City were "placed out" on trains heading west by the Children's Aid Society of New York.

Please see TRAIN page 6



Wilkins-Matthews to wed June 16

Steve and Belinda Wilkins are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Lauren Elizabeth Wilkins to Joshua Earl Matthews, son of Mark and Cindy Matthews of Denver, Colo. The couple will wed June 16 at the Ozona United Methodist Church.

Lauren is a 1998 graduate of Ozona High School and a graduate of the University of Denver with a bachelor of arts degree in psychology and is currently a third-year law student at SMU.

Joshua is a 1998 graduate of Terry Creek High School in Denver. He received his bachelor of science degree in finance from Colorado State University at Fort Collins. He currently works for an investment banking firm in Dallas.

Ozona Woman's Forum News

By LINDA MOORE
Ozona Woman's Forum

Ozona Woman's Forum members ended the 2007 club year with a business meeting and lunch at Flying W Ranch. The ladies gathered in the hunting lodge at the ranch for the meal and then enjoyed the outdoor seating area around a beautiful rock pool.

President Jean Odom reminded everyone that an auction will be held next year to fund the two scholarships given to graduating seniors. Memorial donations also add to this

fund. Diane Hernandez and Brady Granger were the Ozona High School Class of 2007 Forum scholarship recipients. Each received \$1,000, payable to the school of their choice.

Hostesses for the May meeting were Sandy Bebee, Brenda Newton, Nell Wester and Rosalind Williams. Attending were: Sandy Bebee, Arlene Clayton, Margie Coates, Janie Everett, Charlotte Harrell, Virginia Hubbard, Dorothy Montgomery, Linda Moore, Jean Odom, Katharine Russell, Nell Wester and Rosalind Williams.

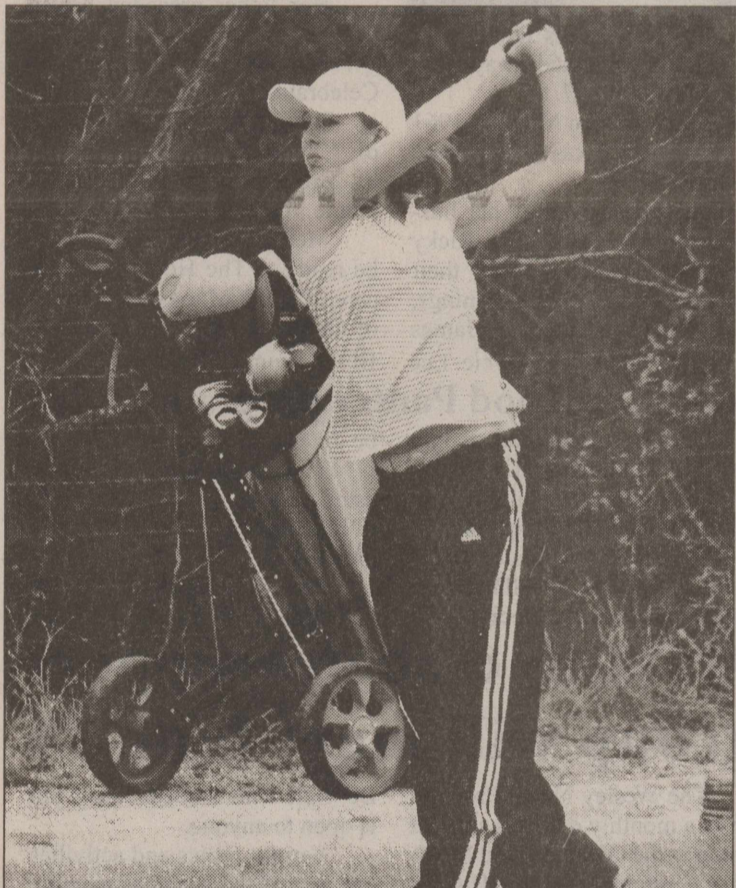


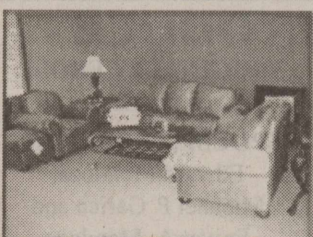
Photo by Joe Hernandez

BRITNI BUCHANAN, recent Ozona High School graduate and member of the OHS Girls Golf Team, received the annual Pleas L. Childress Jr. Golf Award for 2007. She was chosen by the school and the associated monetary award will go toward her college education. This award was established by the Childress family and has received many generous contributions from other friends.

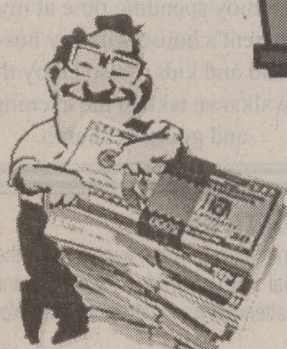
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June 8 - Jason Parker, Michael Hill and Lisa Colin

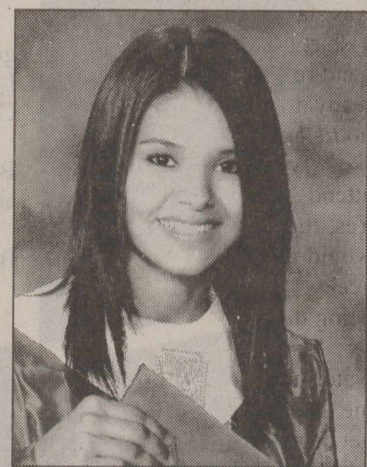
June 9 - Ninfa Preddy, Karen Pennington and Elvira Martinez

June 10 - Linda Rios, Harvey Sanchez, Melissa Lozano and Matthew Cornejo Jr.

June 11 - Leslie D. Mata, Tamie Gray, Matthew Beseril, Leticia Borrego, Esmeralda Castillo, Rebecca Pierce and Liliana Camarillo

June 12 - Ysabella Makae Flores, Ruby Rodriguez, Victoria Zapata, Erika Fierro, Rogelio Lopez and Wes Morgan

To place a birthday on the birthday list, call 392-2551



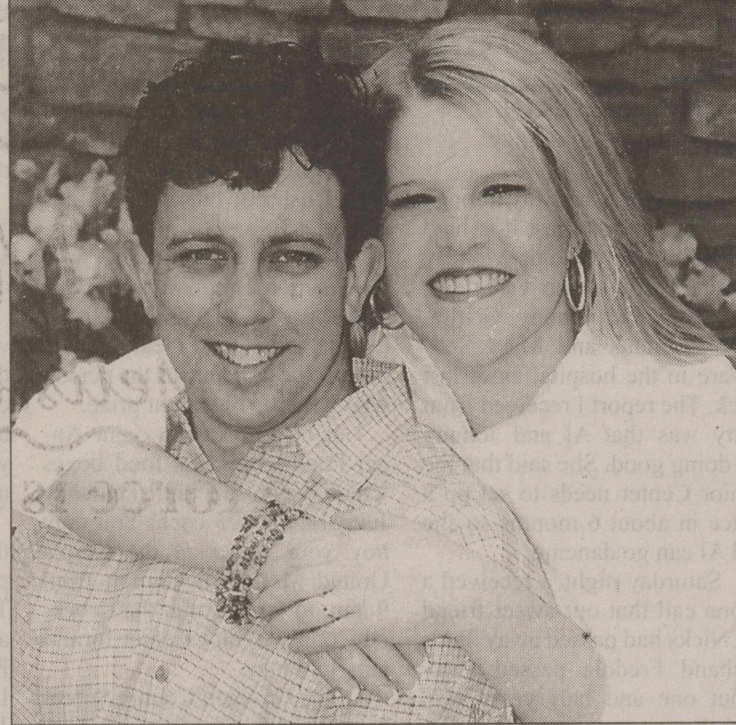
Pena graduates from Rocksprings

Rachel Longoria Pena, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Pena, and granddaughter of Rosalio and Carmen Longoria of Ozona, graduated from Rocksprings High School on May 24.

Rachel participated in cheerleading, basketball, National Honor Society, the National Hispanic Institute and UIL Academics. She was also the class Salutatorian.

Rachel plans to attend the University of Texas at Austin.

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Mecke, Hendry to wed in July

Pat and Debi Hamilton of Ozona are pleased to announce the engagement of their son, Matthew Troy Mecke to Stacy Lynn Hendry, daughter of Dan and Cathy Brown of Christoval and Tommy Hendry of Silver. The couple will be married July 28, 2007 at the ASU LeGrand Alumni Center in San Angelo.

Stacy is 1998 Robert Lee High School graduate and earned a degree in Interdisciplinary Studies from Angelo State University. She is currently employed by Grape Creek ISD.

Matt is a 1992 graduate of Ozona High School. He is co-owner of the Hitchin' Post Steakhouse in Ozona.

After a wedding trip to the Mayan Riviera, the couple will reside in Ozona.

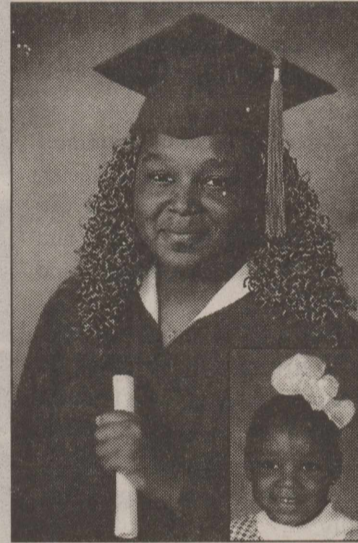
Wind energy course cancelled

Texas Tech University officials have cancelled a short educational course titled "Introduction to Wind Power Systems: Technology and Economics."

The Wind Science and Engineering Research Center and the Division of Outreach and Distance Education at Texas Tech University originally were going to sponsor the course June 20-22 at Texas Tech University at Abilene.

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Payne to graduate from Central HS

Afeton Payne will be among the Class of 2007 graduates at Central High School on Friday, June 1 at San Angelo Stadium.

Afeton attended Ozona schools during first through fifth grades. She is the daughter of Deneil Payne Jones and the granddaughter of Willie and Agnes Payne of Ozona.

Hodges receives master's degree

Harrell Hodges received a master's degree in music during May 12 commencement exercises at Sam Houston State University in Nacogdoches.

Hodges, a 1999 Ozona High School graduate, first studied under former band directors Skip Carroll and Kelly Glaze. He received his undergraduate degree from Schreiner University in Kerrville.

Hodges, a musical performance specialist, plans to continue his studies next fall at Rutgers University. He is the son of former residents, Cynthia and Robert Hodges.

Wedding Gift Selections
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Colbey Crawford bride-elect of **G.L. Bunger**
Stacy Hendry bride-elect of **Matt Mecke**
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Ozona Senior Happenings

By LYNN ENGLISH
Senior Center Director

We are now halfway through 007. Time goes so fast it is hard to believe. You wake up Monday morning and in a flash it is Friday.

Al Fields, Johnny Griffin, Troy Williams and Mary Sellers are in the hospital as of last week. The report I received from Betty was that Al and Johnny are doing good. She said that the Senior Center needs to set up a dance in about 6 months so she and Al can go dancing.

Saturday night, I received a phone call that our sweet friend Pat Nicks had passed away. Pat's husband Freddie passed away about one and half years ago. Both were supporters of the Senior Center and we haven't gotten over losing Fred and now Pat is gone. Our condolences go out to her son Weldon and her sister Charlotte Bailes.

I spoke with Mike Miller at

the post office last week and he said Buster Miller was having his good and bad days. We all miss Buster at lunch and at our activities.

Last Thursday night, was our Senior Bingo Social. Our crowd was a little less than usual but we had a good meal and lots of fun. Joe Moran was the person who won the black out prize.

It is time to buy your Angel Food Ministries food boxes which are on sale until Thursday June 14 for \$25 each. You may buy your boxes at the Ozona United Methodist Church from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. or at the Crockett County Senior Center from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Crockett County Senior Board meeting was held at 5:30 p.m. Monday. They discussed a new computer and new seating furniture for the center.

Come in and look over the book selection in our bookcase to see if there is one or two that

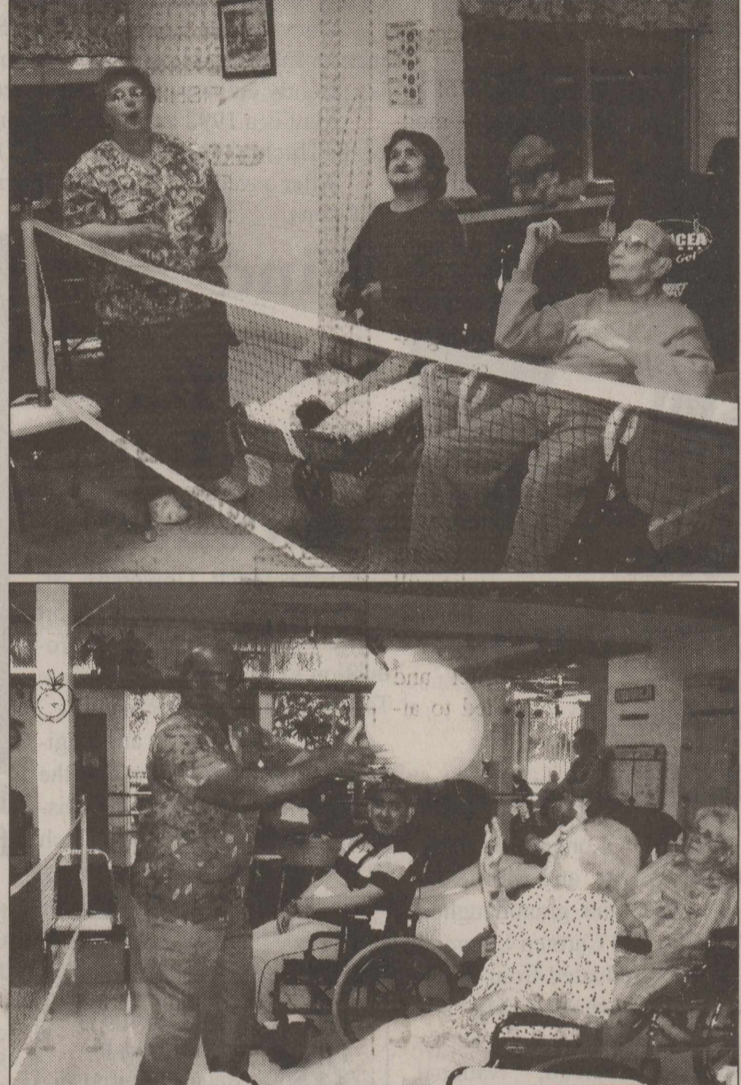
you would like to read. We also have available magazines and recipe books.

We have received some more books on Monday from Gloria Wilson. Thank you Gloria for the books and your visit.

Come "Walk Two Miles" with us at 8:30 a.m. every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. This exercise program conditions you to begin your day and everyone who participates testifies that it makes them feel better.

The bridge players come to the Senior Center to play at 1:30 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays. These ladies bring smiles, snacks and enjoy each other's company. Playing bridge last week were Liz Williams, Katherine Russell, Jean Odom, Sandy Bebee, Eileen Childress, Marilyn Cox and Celia West.

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



CARE CENTER RESIDENTS have a good time playing volleyball with Dr. Fuller and Frances Davis.

Obituaries

Pat Nicks

Pat Nicks, 72, died Saturday, June 2, 2007, in the Crockett Care Center. Graveside service will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 6, in Cedar Hill Cemetery. Arrangements are by Preddy Funeral Home.

Pat was born on Nov. 9, 1934. She married Freddie Nicks on Sept. 10, 1953 in Snyder, Texas. She lived in Ozona for 43 years.

Pat was a devoted wife, homemaker and loved giving her time at the Crockett County Care Center and the Crockett County Senior Center.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Freddie and her parents Onita Jensen and Alvin Jensen.

Survivors include son Weldon Nicks of Ozona; sister Charlotte Bailes of Palestine, Texas; grandsons Michael Nicks of Cheyenne, Wyo., Casey Nicks, Mathew DeWolfe and Derek DeWolfe, all of Ozona and great-grandson Aiden Nicks of Cheyenne, Wyo.

Bertha I. Landin

Bertha I. Landin, 79, of Ozona, passed away Monday, May 21, 2007 in a local hospital.

In hope to help others, Bertha willed her body, as an anatomical gift, to Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in Lubbock, Texas. Arrangements made by Robert Massie Funeral Home.

Bertha was born Feb. 18, 1928 in Eagle Pass to Juan and Isabel Ibarra. She was an avid Christian and member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church in Ozona.

She selflessly helped as a cook and delivery for Meals for the Elderly and at Day Care in Ozona. Most of all Bertha gave her limitless time to her family and their individual needs. Her love and strength will be sorely missed by all that knew our Bertha.

She was preceded in death by her parents and four sisters.

Bertha is survived by her brothers Juan Ibarra of Abingdon, Virginia; Enrique Ibarra of Eagle Pass; sisters Maria Isabel Del Rio of Lewisville, Texas; Estella Cook and Sylvia Aguilar both of Corpus Christi and Esperanza Alejandro of Austin.

The family extends a gracious thank you to the staff and Lisa Busbee RN of San Angelo Community Medical Center for the love and care given to Bertha.

Memorial contributions may be made to Helping Hands, P.O. Box 944, Ozona, Texas 76943.

Connie Frances Jennings



Connie Frances Jennings of Irving, Texas passed away Sunday, May 27, 2007.

She was born May 27, 1961 in Robstown, Texas to James and Frances Hanna.

She is survived by her husband of 24 years, Dr. Ricky Dewayne Jennings, and their children Brandy Dawn Jennings, Ricky McCain Jennings, James Kyle Jennings, and Jaycie Lee Jennings.

Nutrition/Food Pantry program Friday

The Nutrition/Food Pantry program will be held at 9:30 a.m. Friday at the Ozona United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

This class focuses on nutritious foods and spending your food money wisely. Recipes will be given.

The class is open to all interested persons. However, in order to receive a food box, you must pre-register.

For more information, call E.A. Wadsworth R.N. at 392-3060.

Monthly diabetes support group will meet June 14

The Wesley Nurse Program hosts a monthly diabetes support group at the Ozona United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

The next meeting is at 5:30 p.m. June 14.

This support group is a good continuation for all who have attended any part of the Do Well,

Be Well with diabetes class but is open to anyone.

Various topics and activities are part of the monthly meeting including cooking, diabetes care, medications, research and general discussion.

For more information, call E.A. Wadsworth R.N. at 392-3060.

Free Parenting and Youth workshops starting June 11

Families for a Future is offering free Parenting and Youth workshops.

Please join us in strengthening violence-free families and communities. Workshop topics will emphasize parenting and themes for youth.

Meals and childcare will be provided free of charge. Parenting and youth workshops begin June 11 through August. Location of classes to be determined.

For a registration appointment or for more information, please call Raquel Torres or Michelle Jenigen at (830) 768-2755 or toll free 877-441-4188.

Advertisement for Petals & Pearls featuring Bekah Shaw, Eric Dominguez, Colbey Crawford, and Susan Hester.

Advertisement for Westerman Drug featuring Yankee Candle Plug In Electric Home Fragrances.

Care Center Chatter

By ELSA VASQUEZ Assistant Activity Director

Amazing week! Sometimes it gets hard and tough. It seems like we can't make it, but our strength comes from above and we are all right. We make it and then some.

Our staff is a joy to work and be around with, but some are extra special. They love to work and see that the job gets done, along with helping each other.

After all, we are a great big family.

We thank all of our volunteers and church groups that come so faithfully each week.

We dearly miss our volunteers that don't get to come anymore because of illness or out of town. We hope to see you again soon.

Everyone is welcome to our annual fund-raiser this Friday. It will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be lots of goodies, prizes and music.

HELPING SOMEONE IN NEED

Last week I was leading a youth group on a mission trip to Old Mexico. We were in a poor crowded area of a large city. Many children were playing in the streets because the houses were so small with virtually no yard. We stopped at a home and talked to a lady there. She was very distraught because her husband hadn't come home that weekend and she had no money to buy food for her children, ages 12, 6 and 3. We needed a place to teach Bible stories to the neighborhood children so she agreed to let us use what little area she had. We prayed for her and her family but we also talked to her about knowing Christ as her personal lord and savior. She did not attend Church so we gave her a Bible and a little money to buy food, (Luke 6:35&36). Two days later her husband showed up and gave her a little money for rent and food. He had been in jail. There are countless numbers in great need around the world and here at home and many times there is spiritual more than material, (Matthew 6:33). We must be willing to get out of our comfort zone to help others, (Matthew 22:37-39). Christ left His comfort zone to help us and He even gave up His life for us, (Ephesians 5:2, 1 John 2:6).

See you in Church next Sunday.

Brother J

Table listing various churches and their services, including First Baptist Church, Ozona Church of Christ, Ozona United Methodist Church, etc.

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Advertisement for Julia R. Mendoza, originally from Ozona, spouse of Edward Mendoza, with hobbies and interests listed.

Card of Thanks from Cristy Dominguez thanking the community for gifts during her graduation party.

Farm Service Agency schedules public meeting for Crockett County

Doris Gore, Acting County Executive Director for the Crockett County Farm Service Agency (FSA) has announced that John T. Fuston, State Executive Director for Texas FSA and members of his management team have scheduled a public meeting in Crockett County at 2 p.m. June 12 at the Texas Cooperative Extension Office located at 1301 Avenue AA in Ozona.

According to Gore, declining staff numbers as well as federal budget constraints have required FSA to re-evaluate the way the Agency conducts business in the 21st century; thereby necessitating closure or consolidation of FSA county offices throughout the U.S. and in Texas.

"Government agencies

are becoming increasingly obligated to reconsider how we conduct business and to take a hard look at how the private sector has improved delivery of goods and services through consolidations and mergers," said GORE. "Improving how the Agency implements program delivery requires that we streamline and centralize delivery of services. It is our goal to insure all of our offices are better-staffed, better-equipped and operational five days a week," he said.

This meeting will provide the only forum for public comment on the Texas FSA proposed office restructuring plan in which the Crockett County office is being considered for closure. All public comments will be taken into full consid-

eration prior to development or implementation of a final restructuring plan.

"If you have a vested interest in federal farm program delivery in Crockett County then June 12 is your chance to have your voice heard by the Texas FSA State Office Management Team," Gorge said.

If office closure does occur, an important option for producers in Crockett County to consider is the right to choose another FSA county office where they wish to conduct business. If another county is more convenient for any individual producers, they will be allowed to choose that office to meet their business needs.

For more information, contact Gore at (325) 884-3753 ext. 2.

4-H to host basic sewing class June 19

Crockett County 4-H will host a basic sewing class from 9 a.m. to noon on June 19 at the Crockett County Civic Center.

It is for ages 9 yrs and up. The cost is free.

Participants need to pre-register at the Crockett County Extension Office by Friday, June 15.

The class will feature: sewing on buttons, hooks and eyes, hand sewing, how to work the

sewing machine, patterns, rip out and repair.

Participants will also make something to take home with you. This class is for anyone wanting to learn the basics of sewing.

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Ozona to host meeting about rural housing

By SHANON BIGGERSTAFF
Chamber Executive Director

The Regional Consortium for Economic Development and Business Support will host a meeting to discuss the need for housing in rural communities will take place Thursday, June 7, at the Ozona Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center.

The meeting begins at 11:45 a.m. and will end at 1:30 p.m.

The Regional Consortium for Economic Development and Business Support began with a vision of the Concho Valley Workforce Development Board, of San Angelo, who formed a committee where economic development entities and chambers of commerce would benefit by coming together to share best practices, advocate for the Concho Valley region and address legislation as one voice for the region.

The consortium has been meeting since November 2005.

A discussion has ensued concerning the need for housing in several of the rural communities.

A sub-committee for housing was formed including Shanon Biggerstaff, Ozona Chamber of Commerce, Johnny Griffin, Regional Consortium President, Mary Kay Kuss, Concho Valley Workforce Development Board-Planning & Resource Development, Sid Mabry, Concho Valley Community Action Agency, Deona Thompson, Big Lake Economic Development, Genora Young, Eden Economic Development and Albert Rodriguez, Concho Valley Council of Governments.

The sub-committee met in March 2007 to address the various housing issues within the region. It was determined that a survey would first need to be distributed to counties interested in developing housing to determine their various needs, i.e., affordable housing, apartment complex, low income housing, filler housing.

A Housing Model was de-

veloped for the purpose of focusing on construction of moderate or middle-income homes utilizing USDA, FHA and First Time Homebuyer programs.

The ultimate task of the committee is to form a resource team that could assist and consult with communities on the following issues; builders/contractors, infrastructure/availability of land, business partners, incentives, banks, pre-qualifying and pre-selling homes, housing assessments.

Topics at the meeting will include a welcome by the Ozona Chamber of Commerce who will talk to the group about the visitor center project.

The Housing Model and survey will be distributed to attendees and the Concho Valley Workforce will discuss with participants objectives identified at the April 2007 Planning Session.

For more information, or if you are interested in attending the meeting, please call 393-3737.

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Detailed information is available from USDA Rural Development, Ozona, Texas at (325) 392-2301 ext 4.

SCHOOL: Committee want price per square-foot

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"I went and did my homework. I advise everyone do the same thing," he said. "I will never vote for a \$16 million bond, unless you can meet in the middle and prove to me the money is worth spending. Some of us have a real hard time from walking away from a good building," he said.

"We have cost differences. We have emotional differences. We need to get our cost issues resolved, work on the emotional issues, pick one option, go to the voters and be done," added Fred Van Shoubrouek.

Sims said the board is plan-

ning to go with the committee's recommendation on what to put up for a bond.

Gott said the school district would educate the public on what the bond money would be used for and how it would affect taxes by hosting community meetings, as well as through fliers and publication.

A hard figure of what a new school building would cost is something Gott said he would also try to nail down from the architects. Examples of what other school districts paid on recently built buildings were also requested.

Henderson said the amount of square-footage needs to be determined and how much a building would cost per square-foot.

"That educates this group on how much money we need to spend," he said.

Also keeping the bond limited to 3-5 years is something both the board and the committee would like to do.

Gott said at the June 7 meeting the committee could go through the two options and narrow down the pros and cons, as well as have the school's attorney present a sample ballot with all the options.

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BILLS: Local water district name change would allow elections to be held in Ozona

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The Crockett County Water Control and Improvement District encompasses the town of Ozona.

The district's enabling legislation stated that the district's elections be held within the district, thereby limiting the available locations.

The bill allows the district to hold elections in the town of Ozona and by changing the election date to November, allows the district to hold its election in conjunction with the general election in November.

The bill is awaiting action by the governor.

One bill authored by Hilderbran will become a new law starting Sept. 1.

House Bill 1308 will require a deer breeder to obtain a permit from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) and tag each deer with an identification tax issued by TPWD.

Under this bill, a person who holds a permit or a person who receives a breeder deer are not required to have the release site inspected or approved before the release of a breeder deer from a breeding facility.

TPWD may make a habitat inspection but may not implement inspection rules or procedures that could unreasonably impede the broader deer breeding industry.

The bill decreases the number of acres allowed for a single enclosure for breeder deer from 320 acres to 100 acres.

Additionally, it states that a person must obtain a transfer permit before purchasing, obtaining, selling, transferring or accepting live breeder deer in the state. A person cannot sell, transfer, ship or transport a breeder deer during open hunting season for deer or during the

10-day period immediately preceding an open hunting season unless the person has followed certain procedures.

Preliminary data shows the deer breeding industry may have a \$400 million annual economic impact in Texas. While initial statutory efforts were made to encompass the needs and demands of this industry, additional clarification is needed to provide deer breeders with tools and parameters they require to continue to succeed and grow.

"Deer breeding is the fastest-growing agricultural land-based enterprise in the state of Texas with most of the positive impact occurring in rural Texas," Hilderbran said.

Other bills sponsored or authored by Hilderbran and awaiting action by the governor include:

- Senate Bill 662 - requires certain groundwater data collected by a developer to also be provided to the Texas Water Development Board and any relevant groundwater conservation districts that are within the subdivision.

- House Bill 3849 - combines the Texas Department of Transportation and the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department decal registration issued for all-terrain vehicles into one.

- House Bill 556 - includes a provision to reimburse counties for the May constitutional amendment election.

In the senate, Freshman Senator Carlos Uresti, D-San Antonio, co-authored a bill that will create a Silver Alert for missing seniors affected by dementia. The new law will take affect Sept. 1.

Senate Bill 1315 will require the Texas Department of Public Safety to issue a Silver

Alert by contacting designated media outlets, such as television and radio stations, when a senior citizen goes missing. This system is similar to the Amber Alert that is currently in place for missing children.

Only the disappearance of an adult age 65 or older with a documented history of dementia or dementia-related conditions, such as Alzheimer's, would trigger a Silver Alert.

"This protects the privacy and rights of senior citizens, which strengthening protections for those disabled by dementia," Uresti said. "The Silver Alert system, like the extremely successful Amber Alert system, will help reunite missing seniors with their loved ones and strengthen the safety net for some of our most vulnerable citizens."

Uresti sponsored Senate Bill 156, which expands the child abuse prevention program Nurse-Family Partnership.

"Following its successful start in Dallas, children in many other Texas cities will benefit from this important program as it is established throughout our state," Uresti said.

The Nurse-Family Partnership pairs at-risk, first-time mothers with registered nurses. Through a regular schedule of home visits during pregnancy and the first two years of life, mother and infant are prepared for a healthy future and a strong start in life.

The bill is awaiting action by the governor.

Uresti also authored or sponsored bills to strengthen protection for foster children and repeal much of the privatization lawmakers ordered two years ago in the foster care system.

WOOL: Mail fraud scheme took place over four years

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Each of the envelopes, and its contents, were to be sent and delivered by the United States Postal Service, the documents state.

The mail fraud scheme took place between Feb. 1, 2002 and May 25, 2006, the documents state. Laughlin was hired in 1991 as manager of Wool Growers.

The federal court hearing took place a little over a year when Laughlin was arrested by the Crockett County Sheriff's Department on state charges of allegedly misapplication of fiduciary property over \$200,000.

"I think the Texas Ranger (Brooks Long) involved in the investigation did an outstanding job," McRoberts said.

Laughlin's case, along with the one on former bookkeeper Tonya Stalcup, was turned over to the federal court system

around the fall of 2006.

Stalcup pled guilty during a May 3 hearing to frauds and swindling and aiding and abetting, court documents stated.

Stalcup is also out on bond awaiting sentencing, but is facing a possible prison term of 20 years and a fine to not exceed \$250,000, or a fine not more than twice the amount of the criminally derived property involved in the transaction.

McRoberts said Stalcup's sentencing will probably take place two weeks before Laughlin's based on the time when she pled.

There's also the possibility of an initial term of supervised release of three years, which follows a term of imprisonment, and restitution to the victims or community.

In the plea agreement, Stalcup agreed that the total

loss amount is approximately \$200,000 and that she owes restitution.

Wool Growers filed for bankruptcy in April 2006. A hearing on the bankruptcy reorganization plan was held May 3 in the U.S. Federal Courthouse in San Angelo.

The majority of creditors have filed to approve the plan, but a group called the Wardlaw Creditors filed an objection and voted against the plan.

The Wardlaw Creditors consist of Jack David Wardlaw, Jesse Lem Wardlaw and Warlaw Brothers, which is composed of Jack David Wardlaw III, Mack Miars Wardlaw and William Chase Wardlaw, all of Sonora.

As of press time Monday, U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Robert L. Jones had not issued an opinion, ruling on the plan.

TRAIN: A 1993 PBS documentary revealed the children's untold stories

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This nearly eight-year experiment in child relocation and rehabilitation is filled with both horror stories and happy endings. The trains stopped in pre-selected towns where people interested in taking a child would assemble.

The children were lined up on the platform or a meeting hall stage, encouraged to perform or sing to endear them to prospective takers and were inspected, often prodded or poked to determine whether or not they would be good workers on farms or local businesses.

The last orphan train went to Sulphur Springs, Texas in 1929. Until the release of a 1993 documentary on PBS's The American Experience, these children's stories were largely untold.



Submitted photo

PHIL LANCASTER and ALISON MOORE will present "Riders on the Orphan Train" Monday at Civic Center. The event is a multimedia presentation sponsored by the Crockett County Public Library.

Endowment for the Arts literary fellowship, an Arizona Commission on the Arts fellowship for her story on the Orphan Trains in 1998 and an Arkansas Arts Council fellowship in Poetry in 2002.

She has directed a non-profit organization called ArtsReach that teaches creative writing to Native American children in reservation schools in southern Arizona and is currently an Arkansas Arts Council Artist On Tour and an Arkansas Humanities Scholar.

Phil Lancaster was born in Texarkana, Ark. and from an early age developed a passion for art and music that was later to flourish in France. When he moved to Angers at age 22

he studied art at L'Ecole De Breaux Arts, became a member of a bluegrass band that traveled and played throughout France and produced an album entitled "Bluegrass Oldies Ltd./Travelin' Show."

He also worked as a stage theatre technician for La Course Theatre Nationale in La Rochelle, France. After returning to the U.S. he met three Arkansas musicians and the acoustic quartet "Still On the Hill" was formed in Fayetteville. They released their first CD in 1997 and their second in 2000. The band toured and performed at both national and international folk festivals and acoustic music venues as a member of the Arkansas Arts On Tour roster.

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THE PRESENTERS

Alison Moore, novelist and former Assistant Professor of Creative Writing at the University of Arizona has developed this program based on research at the Orphan Train Heritage Society of America, Inc. She is author of two books, a collection of short stories entitled *Small Spaces between Emergencies* (Mercury House, 1992) and a novel, *Synonym for Love* (Mercury House, 1995). *Small Spaces between Emergencies* was selected as one of the Notable Books of 1993 by the American Library Association.

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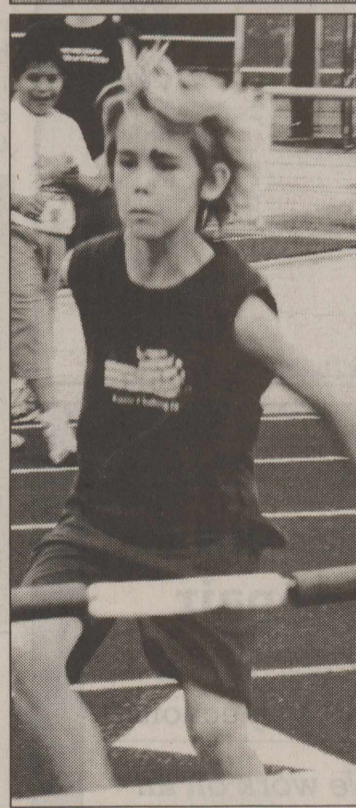
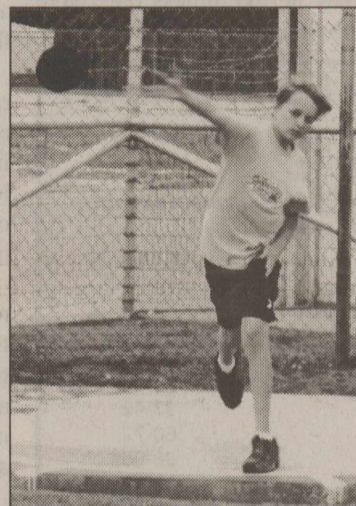
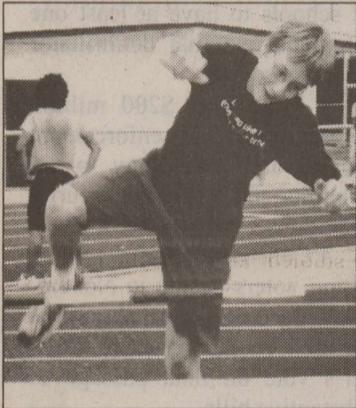
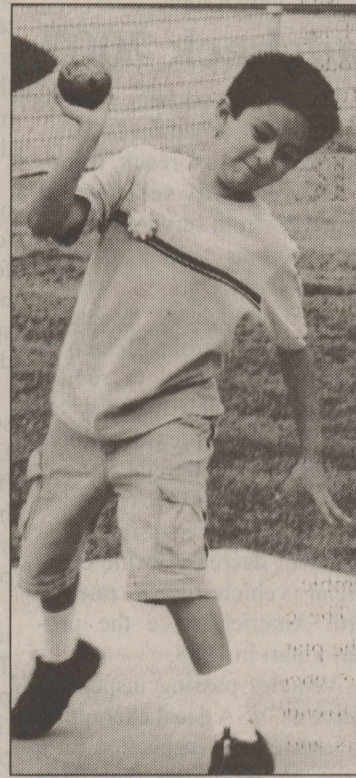
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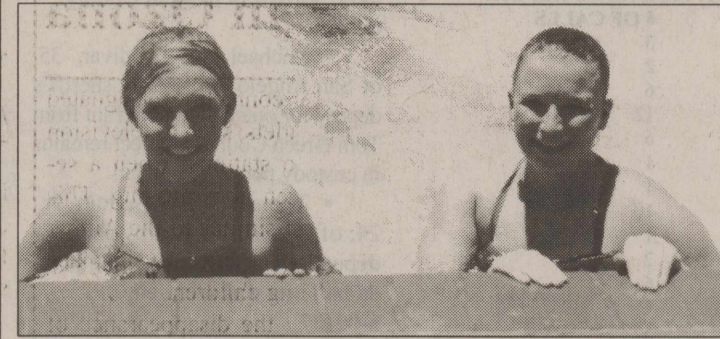


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OZONA LIONS and LADY LIONS TRACK CAMPERS learned how to run, jump and throw last week at Lion Stadium. The camp was held by the Ozona Track Coaches.



LIFEGUARDS ON DUTY



Photos by Melissa Perner

FARRAN WILSON and MORGAN GLOSSON (right) are all smiles as they work as lifeguards at the Crockett County Swimming Pool. All 11 lifeguards and Pool Manager Shana Granger recently passed their certification tests and are on duty.



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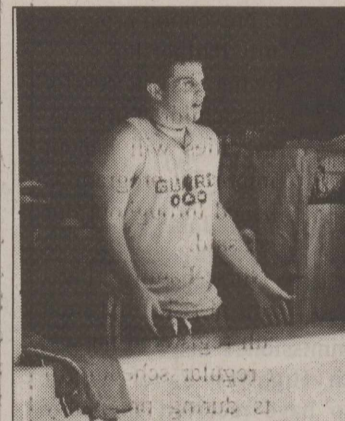
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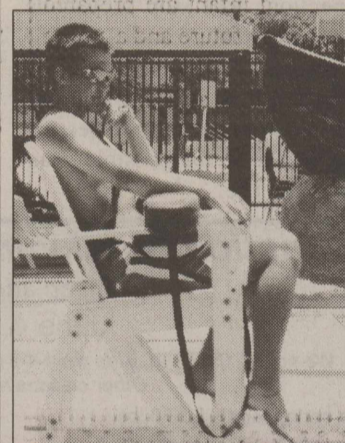
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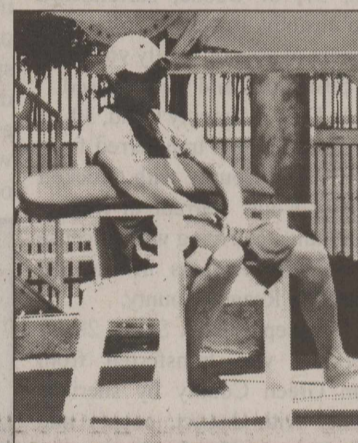
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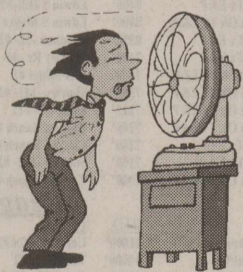
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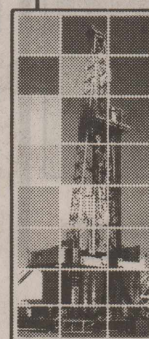
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