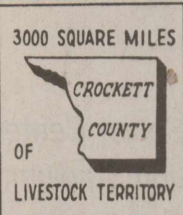


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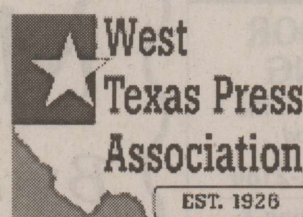
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Forecast information provided by the National Weather Service in San Angelo

Former Wool Growers manager receives 5-year prison sentence

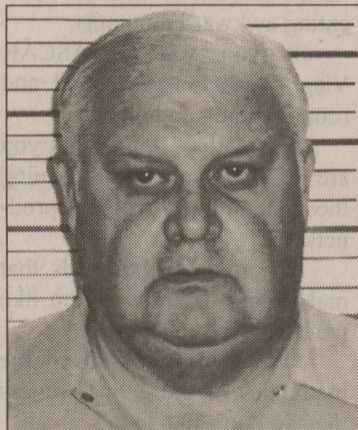
By **MELISSA PERNER**
 Editor and Publisher

The former manager of Wool Growers Central Storage Co. was sentenced to prison for taking \$2 million in a fraud scheme.

Donnie Laughlin, 60, was sentenced to 63 months in federal prison for engaging in monetary transactions derived from specified unlawful activity and aiding and abetting. Laughlin was sentenced during a 15-minute hearing on Oct. 12 in the Lubbock Federal Courthouse.

Laughlin has been ordered to report to the Federal Correctional Institution in Big Spring on Nov. 16. The prison houses low security male inmates and has a satellite camp housing minimum security male inmates.

Along with his prison time, Laughlin was also ordered to



DONNIE LAUGHLIN

pay \$2,072,326.56 in restitution. The restitution is set to start after Laughlin is released from prison, in which he will undergo a three-year term of supervised release.

If Laughlin is unable to pay the full restitution amount during the three years, he will make payments of \$200 per month until the restitution is paid in full,

court documents state. Interest on the unpaid balance has been waived.

The restitution is to be paid to the U.S. District Clerk's office in San Angelo. The money will then be distributed to 77 creditors claiming to have lost money at Wool Growers.

Laughlin must also refrain from incurring new credit charges or opening additional lines of credit without permission from the U.S. Probation Officer and must provide the probation officer with any requested financial information, court documents state.

Laughlin shall not transfer, sell, give away or otherwise convey any asset with a value of \$500 or more without the approval of the U.S. Probation Officer.

As directed by the probation officer, Laughlin shall apply monies received from income tax refunds, lottery or gambling

winnings, inheritances, judgments, settlements and any anticipated or unexpected financial gains to paying the restitution.

Laughlin pled guilty on May 31 in Lubbock.

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.

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Compromise filed in bankruptcy case

By **MELISSA PERNER**
 Editor and Publisher

A compromise settlement agreement has been filed between Wool Growers Central Storage Co. and the Wardlaw Creditors.

The agreement, filed Oct. 9, states that the Wool Growers Board of Directors have agreed to pay the Wardlaws \$170,000 in exchange for the Wardlaws assigning to them both of their bankruptcy claims that total \$252,215.44. This amounts to approximately 67.4 cents on the dollar, according to court documents.

The board of directors has also agreed to pay the Wardlaws additional sums of \$35,000 damages and \$35,000 attorney fees to settle any and all claims made against them in the state court suit.

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LEARNING ABOUT OIL AND GAS



Photo by Melissa Perner

OMS SIXTH-GRADERS take notes and talk to the men at the Control Equipment Inc. booth during the 2007 South West Oil and Gas Trade Show last week at the Fair Park Convention Center. The show featured 52 exhibitors inside and outside the convention center.

Lions run out of time against Owls

By **MELISSA PERNER**
 Editor and Publisher

Time seemed to run out for the Ozona Lions Friday night as they tried to make a comeback against the Reagan County Owls.

Unfortunately, the game would end with Owls on top 23-15 as the Lions lost their District 7-AA opener.

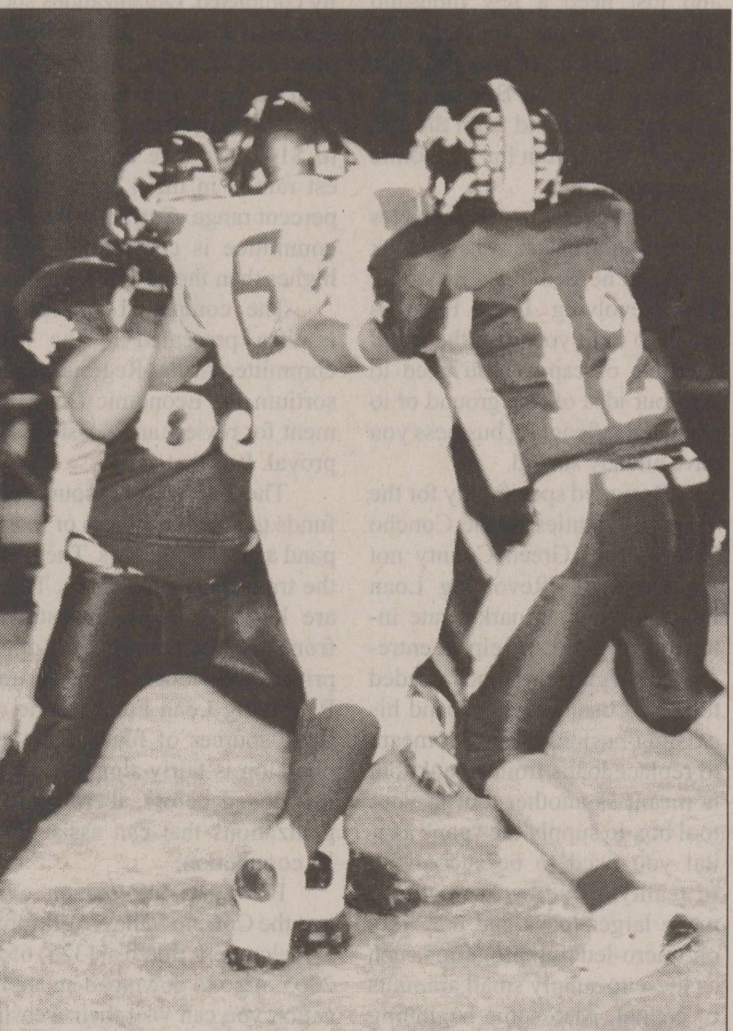
"It's hard to spot a good team 23 points and try to work your way back," said Coach Matt Gutierrez. "We played hard the second half, but we just couldn't get it done."

It would be midway through the third quarter before the Lions were able to get on the scoreboard.

The Lions would get into scoring position on a pass from quarterback Justin Maldonado to Matias Gandar. A face mask penalty on Reagan County would move the ball up to the 19-yard line.

Running back Josh Santos would then sprint his way into the end zone for the Lions first touchdown of the night. Santos would rush 15 times for 83 yards.

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Photos by Joe Hernandez

OZONA LIONS (left to right) Alan Lozano and Matthew Garza wrap up a Reagan County Owl Friday night. The Lions lost to the Owls 23-15 in the District 7-AA opener.

Two children die in accident

By **MELISSA PERNER**
 Editor and Publisher

A one-vehicle accident killed two children, injured one child and his mother Saturday on Interstate-10.

Five-year-old Ashley John-

son and two-year-old Logan Johnson were both pronounced dead at the scene by Justice of the Peace Jim Hearne.

Nine-year-old Tyler Johnson is in critical condition in a drug-induced coma with severe head

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BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH



Photo by Melissa Perner

CELEBRATING BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH the official pink wreath was hung at the Crockett County Courthouse last week. Attending were: Elizabeth Upham, E.A. Wadsworth and Kelly Davis, of the American Cancer Society; County Judge Fred Deaton; Ozona Woman's League Members Jessica Luckie, Abbie Hubbard, Autumn Brown, Brandi Crawford, Susie Bishop, Jody Upham, Kimber Childress, Colbey Bunger, Melissa Hokit, Kayla Davidson and Cathy Carson and breast cancer survivor Veva Vargas.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society is a leader in the fight against cancer, and has called for the citizens of Ozona, Crockett County, Texas, to join with them in the celebration of those ten million Americans who are surviving a cancer diagnosis; and

WHEREAS, the month of October, designated as Breast Cancer Awareness Month, will bring together cancer patients, survivors, friends and families in a visible demonstration of hope in cancer control and the spread of awareness of the importance of early detection in the saving of lives in the fight against breast cancer.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Fred Deaton, by virtue of the authority vested in me as County Judge of Crockett County, do hereby proclaim October as "Breast Cancer Awareness Month" throughout Ozona and Crockett County and urge all citizens to join with their neighbors and friends in this fight to survive.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 10th day of October, 2007.

Fred Deaton

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What's on My Mind

By Melissa Perner

Television would be better without certian ads

Television commercials can be extremely annoying. Like most viewers, I get tired of seeing those dumb ads with people on an English fox hunt trying to get that priceless "Evil Knievel" lunchbox for eBay.

There are also the GEICO Cavemen ads (what was ABC thinking giving them a comedy series? I hear it's going bad, imagine that), the Charmin toilet paper ad with the prancing bears (let's face it, I've never pranced to the toilet) and the annoying fast-food commercials.

Other ads that seem to continuously pop up are ones for college student loans, refinancing your mortgage or those who want to "give you CASH." They seem to just pop up every other minute.

While these commercials can put a crank into our TV viewing, the ones that really get me are those that advertise products for problems we don't want to see on TV.

You know the ones I'm talking about. Those products seem to pop up at the most awkward moments.

For example, a friend of mine was watching a Sunday afternoon NFL football game when the ads for Viagra, Cialis and Enzyte came up.

In case you don't know what those are; they are termed male enhancement drugs.

Now picture this, a father and his young son are watching these corny ads. The father is hoping the ad quickly goes away

Community Calendar

- Wednesday, Oct. 17**
- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
 - CCCCS Board of Trustees meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Building.
- Thursday, Oct. 18**
- Ladies' Bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
 - OMS Lions vs. Crane, 5 p.m. at Lion Stadium.
 - JV Lions vs. Crane, 6:30 p.m. in Crane.
- Friday, Oct. 19**
- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
 - Knights of Columbus Pre-Game Dinner, starting at 5 p.m. at the Civic Center.
 - Ozona Lions vs. Crane, 7:30 p.m. at Lion Stadium.
- Monday, Oct. 22**
- OHS and OMS Cross Country Teams at the district meet in Alpine.
 - Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
 - Ladies' Bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Wednesday, Oct. 24**
- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
 - CCCCS Board of Trustees meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Building.

Letters to the Editor

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It's the Pitts

by Lee Pitts

Pickup People

As I sit in a ditch after having been run off the road by an oncoming car I am struck by the differences between car and pickup truck drivers.

People who drive cars wear neckties and high heeled shoes, work in cubicles and are salaried stakeholders. Truck drivers wear ball caps, work outside and by the hour. Car drivers are CEO's, secretaries and Sierra Club members. Truck drivers produce the food, wood, oil and minerals that the car owners seem to despise, yet consume.

Pickup drivers are friendlier and wave more. If someone in a car waves at you it's with their middle finger. Car drivers are less emotionally stable and live in big cities. In the country trucks outnumber cars. If you're looking for a good place to relocate don't worry about the crime rate, just find a place where there are more trucks than cars. (Hint: one in every seven trucks in America is registered in Texas.)

Truckers are better drivers than auto pilots. They don't get offended and speed up if you try to pass them and they are more apt to use their turn signals than offensive hand signals. Car owners have spinner rims and honk their horn more. The only time a truck driver uses a horn is to call the cows. Teenagers and men in mid-life crises drive fast cars, peel out and speed. Pickup drivers drive slower so stuff won't fly out the back and so their dog won't fall off the tool box. Car drivers have little prissy Shitzus and Chihuahuas. Pickup owners have real dogs like Border Collies and Labs.

Car owners see their vehicle as a status symbol. The more expensive and more horsepower the better. Pickup trucks have more horsepower in their trailers than their trucks. Car drivers are more often seen broke down by the side of the road with a trucker changing their flat. Car drivers think you buy starter fluid at Starbucks and couldn't locate their air filter with a flashlight and Google. Truck drivers can rebuild a carburetor with a twist tie and a pocket knife. Bondo is their favorite color. Most car drivers don't even know how to

open their hood or which side their gas tank is on. Truck drivers have tanks on both sides so they don't have to guess. Car owners have expensive security systems that honk incessantly. Pickup owners leave their doors unlocked and their security system rides in the back and eats dog food.

Pickuppers are more optimistic, have fewer tattoos, longer sideburns (even the women) and a loftier view of the world than people who sit in traffic all day listening to shock jocks tell them the world is coming to an end. Pickup people are more adventurous and occasionally leave the main road in life. They are also more independent. Cars drivers have automatic transmissions whereas truckers shift for themselves. Truckers don't carpool or worry about their carbon footprint. Car drivers don't carpool either but they leave a smaller imprint, especially after their flimsy hybrid gets flattened by a SUV, Minivan or Humvee. Which are cars, by the way, not trucks.

Car drivers are more likely to be talking on their cell phone, texting or applying makeup than truck owners. When stopped at a light they play rap music so loud it rocks their rig and yours too. Truck drivers listen to country music. You seldom see a gun rack in the back of a car and the drivers are more apt to be members of the PTA than the NRA. Truck drivers hunt and volunteer for the fire department. The bumper stickers are different too. Car bumpers promote the Nature Conservancy and liberal causes while truck bumpers proclaim their allegiance to the Marines and Smith and Wesson. Car owners brag that their child is a straight A student while truck owners boast that their dumb kid can beat the bejeesus out of your smart one.

When car owners trade-in for a newer model they owe more on their vehicles than they're actually worth. Truck drivers are more apt to name their vehicle, own it far past the warranty and in some cases, fall in love with it. If they do eventually sell their rig it's usually by the pound.

Correction...

David Vargas Perez was arrested by investigators from the Texas Attorney General's office, not the U.S. Marshal's Office as was reported last week in the Stockman. The Attorney General's Office and the 112th District Attorney's Office are jointly investigating the case. Also, possession of child pornography is a third-degree felony that carries a sentence of 2-10 years in prison.

'Business Tips' BY DAVE ERICKSON

Rural Business

Revolving Loan Fund

Do you have a business idea and just need a few thousand dollars to get your business idea off the ground? If you do, then consider the Rural Business Revolving Loan Fund from the Regional Consortium for Economic Development.

One of the common obstacles to starting a business is the lack of capital needed to get it started. The Revolving Loan Fund is ready to help you with the small amounts of capital you need to get your idea off the ground or to expand the fledgling business you have already started.

Designed specifically for the 12 rural counties of the Concho Valley (Tom Green County not included), the Revolving Loan Fund is a below market rate interest loan that can help an entrepreneur secure the funds needed to start a business or expand his existing business. It is not meant to replace loans from a bank, but is meant as another tool in your tool box to supply the "gap" capital you need to be successful. In reality, some banks prefer to make larger loans and they rely on micro-lending programs such as these to supply small amounts of capital. Also some beginning entrepreneurs, because of various reasons, may not be able to secure a bank loan until later in their existence.

The Revolving Loan Fund was started a year or so ago by the Concho Valley Workforce Development Board with a federal grant from the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture. In combination with others, it developed a simple application package that can be easily completed. Organizations such as the ASU Small Business Development Center can assist anyone with the application at no cost.

The loan size is in the \$2,000 to \$10,000 range and the interest rate is in the 4 percent to 7 percent range. Currently the loan committee is considering loans higher than the \$10,000 limit.

The completed application is then presented to the loan committee of the Regional Consortium for Economic Development for review and possible approval. It is that easy!

There are various sources of funds to start a business or to expand a young business. There are loans or equity investment from friends, family, or other private individuals. Consider the Revolving Loan Fund as one of these sources of funds. The application is fairly simple, and as mentioned before, there are organizations that can assist with its completion.

For more information contact the Concho Valley Workforce Development Board at (325) 655-2005. Also to download an application you can visit their website at www.cvworkforce.org.

"Business Tips" was written by Mr. Dave Erickson, Director and Certified Business Advisor IV, 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 him at David.Erickson@angelo.edu.

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Photo submitted by Vicky White

"THE MAINE EVENT" started with one of Vicky White's sister's dream of touring Maine for her 60th birthday, the only state she had not been to. Her dream became a reality when White's mother and all of her sisters gathered in Maine from different parts of the world for a week-long reunion. Pictured are: (back row, left to right) Judy Pedersen, Scottsdale, Ariz.; Pat La Grange, Mobile, Ala.; Cathy Staley, originally from Portland, Ore. but presently from Malaysia; Becky Harris, Ellijay, Ga. Front row (left to right) Shirley Alish, Mobile, Ala. and Vicky White, Ozona. Also, Peder Pedersen and Ron La Grange accompanied on the trip, along with one niece Anna Pedersen, Rhode Island, not pictured.

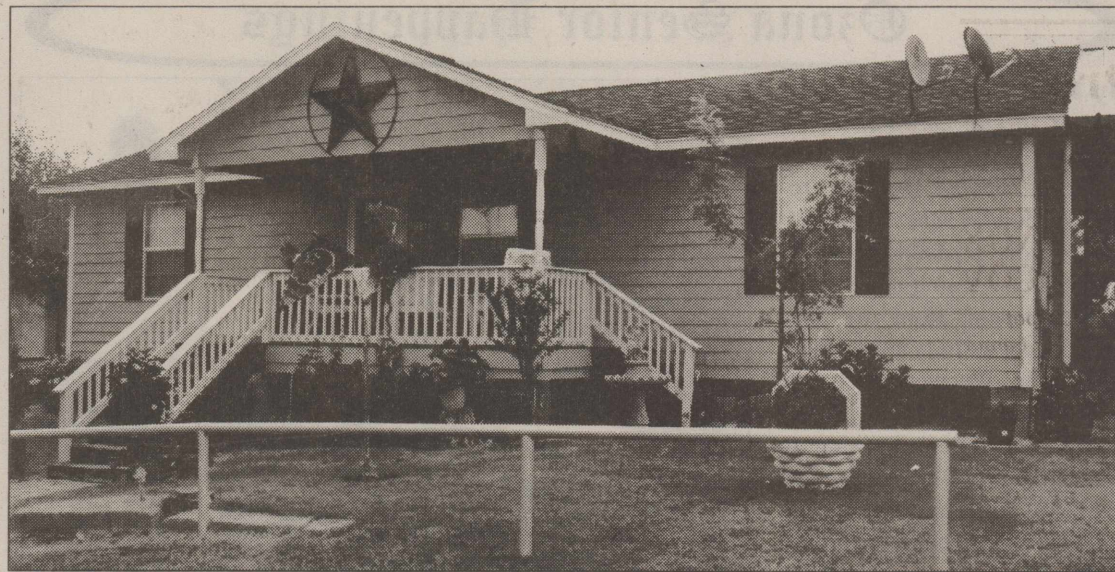


Photo by Melissa Perner

THE HOME OF VICKIE AND VICTOR VILLARREAL on Santa Rosa St. was chosen as the Garden of the Month by the Ozona Garden Club for its beautiful flowers and lawn.

Ozona Garden Club News

By CHARLOTTE HARRELL
Garden Club Secretary

The club met Oct. 8 at Baskets & More. President Jerri Lynn Pierce welcomed three guests, Cathy Carson, Kay Little and Sharlyn Maresch.

Charlotte Harrell reported briefly on Texas Garden Clubs District VIII fall convention held in San Angelo, Oct. 5-6. An article regarding the convention will appear separately.

President Jerri Lynn Pierce presented more information regarding our Triangle Park butterfly garden project. Judy Black Hall has agreed to be our design consultant.

After learning of Texas Garden Club Seeds for Life project, Alice Brewer contacted Dollar General, which made a generous contribution to it. These seeds will be sent to Guatemala, Peru, Panama, El Salvador and Mexico. The recipients of the seeds are guided in how to plant, cultivate and harvest the seeds. They are also taught how to improve the soil by using good environmental and conser-

vation principles, thus avoiding pesticides and insecticides.

A plant auction was held raising \$73 for the club. All members present heartily thanked hostesses Jerri Lynn Pierce, Camille Jones and Jan Van Shoubrouek for the delicious lunch enjoyed by all at Baskets & More. The Ozona Garden Club thanks Blanca Martinez for welcoming us to her new flower shop.

Our program pertained to the planting and care of bulbs. Louise Ledoux brought a selection of books on the subject for all to peruse. Alice Brewer read a "San Angelo Standard-Times" article by John Begnaud, Tom Green County Extension Agent, about bulbs and wintering plants.

Members attending were: Marolyn Bean, Alice Brewer, Lana Chandler, Vivian Childress, Arlene Clayton, Debi Hamilton, Charlotte Harrell, Jeannine Henderson, Virginia Hubbard, Camille Jones, Louise Ledoux, Pamela Maresch, Dorothy Montgomery, Jerri Lynn Pierce, Carmen Sutton, Jan Van Shoubrouek, Celia West and Esther Williams.

Happy Birthday

Oct. 17 - Mark Gandar, Marilyn Cox, Cheyenne Stroope, Victoria Castro and Erick Martinez

Oct. 18 - Irene Gonzales, Maria Hernandez and Benny Sanchez

Oct. 19 - Austin Martinez and Lisa Castillo

Oct. 20 - Jaron Vasquez, Jomie B. Tebbetts Jr., Brenna Adcock and Patsy Gutierrez

Oct. 21 - Wesley Bean, Destina Ramos, Devin Lott, Alexis Flores and Lionel Martinez

Oct. 22 - Peggy Cook

Oct. 23 - Jack Gillit, Felix Venegas Jr., Pamela Maresch, Barbara Nicks and Maria Perez

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Also small chip bags, packaged cookies and crackers, energy drinks or powdered lemonade.

A full list of items is available at The Ozona Stockman.

Keep in mind that items sent should be items that military personnel can carry in their pockets, backpacks or attach to

their daily gear.

Also, Ozona Lions, Ozona or Texas T-shirts or caps will be accepted as well.

The goody boxes will be sent out by the end of October so the troops can receive them for the holidays.

Items can be dropped off at the courthouse annex, the Crockett County Care Center, Duckwalls, Dollar General and Ozona Middle School.

The drive is being sponsored by the Ozona Military Support Group.

For more informatin, call Sylvia Lara at 392-2965 or Mel Ybarra at 392-2671.

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Levis & Lace Square Dance News

By TINA JARVIS
Levis and Lace Square Dancer

Friday night Club members Leroy and Carol Adcock, Frank Fred, Lucy Hinde, Rita Rios, Dale and Sandy Bebee, Tina Jarvis, Renee Padier and Raul De La Rosa gave a birthday party for Debbie Harrison, wife of caller Tom Harrison from Abilene at Renee Padier's house.

Renee had tables set up with flowers and soft lights. We had hamburgers, chips and homemade ice cream and a cake was made for Debbie. Debbie wore a crown for the whole evening and even square danced with it on.

Our guests tonight were Mrs. Rios, Ofie Harris and her two girls, and Gloria Williams. Two couples from Abilene came with Tom, they were Bill Gregg, Pat Redman and Joe and Nadine

De La Cruz.

Saturday night club members Leroy and Carol Adcock, Jim Couch, JoAnn Babbitt, Lucy Hinde, Frank Fred, Renee Padier, Dale Bebee, Raul De La Rosa, Pate Caddell and Tina Jarvis danced to caller Tom Harrison from Abilene. Guests were Debbie Harrison, Joe and Nadine De La Cruz, Bill Gregg and Pat Redman from Abilene.

We celebrated Pate's birthday tonight because his birthday is next weekend and we don't have a dance then. Welcome back Pate.

We will dance at the Care Center on Monday and then come to my house for the lesson.

Our next dance will be on Oct. 27 featuring caller Ed Hart from Bronte.

Keep it square and happy dancing!

HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

Sponsored by Ozona Community Center
Wednesday, October 31
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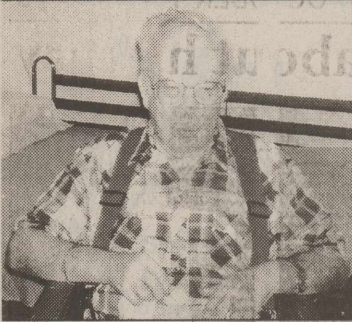
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By LYNN ENGLISH
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The shower that we received Monday was wonderful. It was badly needed to settle the dust left us wanting more rain.

I returned from my 50th high school reunion last evening in Uvalde. We were so happy to see each other and to get re-acquainted. After returning to Ozona Sunday, I am very much behind at home and at work.

Our condolences go out to the family of Frances Flanagan who passed away and was buried while I was on my Uvalde trip. Frances will be sorely missed in our community.

We will be having our Senior Bingo Social at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 23 here at the Crockett County Senior Center. We will be serving Frito pie, Halloween cookies and tea, coffee or water. Plan on coming out and join in the fun.

Our new computer is up and running and on the Internet. We also have set up two more computers, both of them on the Internet. The Crockett County Library donated these extra computers, along with two step by step videos showing how to operate the computer. If you would like to use these computers and instructions, please come by and check it out.

Remember, the Helping Hands Board will be having a raffle soon. One of the items they will raffle will be a large rocking chair that you will need to see to fully appreciate and a number of other items. The tickets for the drawing will go on

By ELSA VASQUEZ
Assistant Activity Director

We have a joyfull time Monday through Friday with residents playing the games that they like the most.

We enjoy watching them as

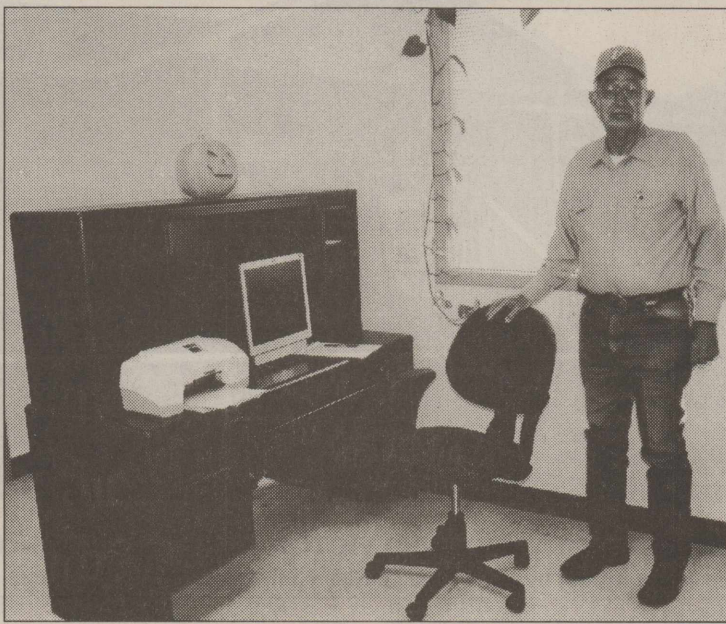


Photo by Joe Hernandez

JOE MORAN stands next to one of the three new computers at the Crockett County Senior Center. Moran helped install the new units that were donated by the Crockett County Library, along with two videos showing how to operate the computers. All three computers also have Internet access.

sale in the near future.

Charlotte Harrell just came by the office and brought us the most beautiful puzzle of a large moose in a fall setting. We are all looking forward to putting it together. Thank you Charlotte for your contribution to our puzzle selection.

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 been getting more books as time goes by so our selection is growing.

The Angel Food Boxes have been cancelled for October. Money will be returned to those who have paid.

Come "Walk Two Miles"

with us every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8:30 a.m. This exercise program conditions you to begin your day and everyone who participates testifies that it makes them feel energized for the day.

Every Monday and Thursday, the bridge players come to the Senior Center to play. These ladies come in all smiles bringing snacks and enjoy each other's company. Playing bridge last week were Liz Williams, Celia West, Eileen Childress, Charlotte Harrell, Dorothy Friend, Jean Odom and Marolyn Bean.

Our activities are for those 50 and over (we are flexible).

Come out and join in the activities you are missing.

Care Center Chatter

By ELSA VASQUEZ
Assistant Activity Director

the days go by, with a smile on their face as they do activities. It makes our day.

With reading, bingo, Mexican bingo, the dancing chicken, dancing pumpkin, dominoes and crafts.

We had Brother John, Na-

nette Verner and Judy Reagor and the beauty shop girls, Lucille and Collien this week.

Mrs. Vickie and her Sunday School class came Sunday afternoon to bring a gift of socks for all our residents.

Thanks folks for coming out.

Grace Unlimited Adult Bible Class:

7 p.m. Wednesday at the Civic Center *Everyone is welcome to attend!*

Obituaries

Candalario 'Candy' Landin

"Candy," as everyone knew him, had a smile for everyone that crossed his path. He suddenly left this world to be with the Lord, on Oct. 13, 2007.

He was a life-long resident of Ozona. Member of Templo Bautista Jerusalem. Retired from the Texas Department of Transportation after 15 years, and was recently working with Sorrelly's Hot Shot. He enjoyed spending time with family and friends, and was also an avid Dallas Cowboys football fan.

Candy M. Landin, 67, was born in Ozona to Julia to Candalario H. Landin on Sept. 2, 1940, who preceded him in death. Also preceding him death were his brothers Roman and Lionel Landin and sister Angelina Landin and his first wife Ida Wansey Landin.

Survivors include his wife, Martha Landin of 26 years of Ozona; nine sons, Mike Daugomah of Oklahoma City, Okla., John Daugomah of Maricopa, Ariz., Paul Daugomah of Oklahoma City, Okla., Felix Flores of Grand Prairie, David (Havis) Landin of Ozona, Arthur Landin of Denver, Colo., Candelario Landin III of Mesa, Ariz., Roberto Landin of Clewiston, Fla. and Daniel Landin of Ozona; one daughter Leticia Payne of Ozona. Also surviving are 24 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren; sister Elia Swearingen of Ozona and brothers Roberto Landin of Carlsbad, Texas and Armando Landin of Grand Prairie.

Ola Frances Dickerson Flanagan

Ola Frances Dickerson Flanagan "Nanny," 73, of Ozona, went to be the Lord on Oct. 11, 2007 after a brief illness. She was born on Oct. 7, 1934 to Olin and Juanita Cavett Dickerson in Lynn County, Texas. Frances married Granville "Shorty" Flanagan on Dec. 24, 1954 in Clovis, N.M. They made their long term home in Ozona where he worked and she stayed home and raised their six children. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Ozona. She was the President of the Resident Council for many years at Crockett County Care Center where she resided.

She is survived by her daughter Thelma Lou Carson and husband A.G. of Ozona, her sons Stanley D. Flanagan and wife Vonda of Ozona, Roland D. Flanagan of Ozona, Billy H. Flanagan and wife Wendy of Christoval and Jim Bob Flanagan of San Angelo, grandchildren Scottie Killam and wife Brandi, Chrissy Carson, K.C. Carson, Scot Carson and wife Donna, Lindsay Bean and husband Wesley, Chad Flanagan and wife Sherrie, William Flanagan, Brandon Flanagan, Kimberly Flanagan, Sheila Rice and husband Mark, Jolene Yates, Ronnie D. Yates, Shawn Newcomer, Tracey Flanagan, Brett Flanagan, Ashlyn Flanagan, Jacob King, and T.J. King, great-grandchildren Victoria Zapata, Taylor Absher, Skylar Lacy, Kurt Bean, Johnny Kolster, Tiffany Kolster, Alexandra Kolster, Maggie Kolster, Shyanne Yates, Aracelis Rivarola, Monica Rivarola, and Alaina Drummonds. She is also survived by one sister Jimmie Ann Mathis and husband Harold of San Angelo, many nieces and nephews and her extended family Candice and Michael King, Jan St. Clair Tice, and the employees and residents at Crockett County Care Center in Ozona.

Frances was preceded in death by her parents Olin and Juanita Dickerson, her husband Granville Flanagan, her daughter Janet Yates, and brothers Johnny and Jerry Dickerson.

Graveside services will be at Saturday, Oct. 13, 2007 at Cedar Hill Cemetery in Ozona. Pallbearers will be her grandsons.

The family would like to extend a special thanks to Dr. Marcus Sims, Ike Whitten, P.A., the wonderful staff at Crockett County Care Center, and to the staff at Hospice of San Angelo for the wonderful loving care that you have given her.

The family requests that memorials be made to Crockett County Care Center Activity Department or Hospice of San Angelo.

Zella Cullins

Zella Lee Cullins went home on Oct. 6, 2007. She died at the Archstone Care Center in Chandler, Ariz. Zella, known as Little Bit to most who knew her, was born in Ozona on Feb. 27, 1926 to James and Maude Thurman. She attended Ozona schools and graduated from Ozona High School in 1943. She lived most of her life in Ozona, with brief stays in California, Colorado, New Mexico and San Angelo. It was in Ozona that Zella met and married her late husband Dan, to whom she was married for 56 years.

Little Bit worked most of her adult life as a waitress. It was amazing to many of her customers how she could balance large plates of food on her arms and never drop a one, given her diminutive size. Her greatest joys were her two granddaughters and her five great-grandchildren. Her granddaughters thought they had achieved something amazing when their five-year-old feet fit into her size 4 shoes. She loved to have them stay with her. Though she did not get to see her four great-grandsons and one great-granddaughter often, they were always in her thoughts. The one joy for her in moving to Arizona was that she saw them often and got to enjoy holidays and birthdays with them.

Reading always gave Little Bit great pleasure. She was overjoyed when Mildred North opened a reading room of the new high school library. She often told her daughter, Becky, that she did not know how she would survive if she couldn't read, which she was able to do until shortly before her death.

Zella is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Becky and Pete Montgomery of Queen Creek, Ariz. She leaves behind two granddaughters and their husbands, Susan and Jeff Halberg, of Gilbert, Ariz. and Michelle and Russ Good of Chandler, Ariz., along with five great-grandchildren: Kyle, Tegan and Reed Halberg and Cody and Austin Good. She has one surviving brother, Carl Thurman of Montana and four sisters-in-law, including Melba Whitely of Brownwood, Evelyn Cullis of Anaheim, Calif., Edith Deland of Ozona and Jean Salmon of Bronte. She also leaves behind numerous nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her husband, her parents, a brother, Earl Salmon, and a sister, Dorothy Graves.

Services for Zella were held Saturday, Oct. 13 at Cedar Hill Cemetery. Arrangements by Preddy Funeral Home. Her five great-grandchildren served as pallbearers.

The family asks that donations by made to the Crockett County Public Library.

Card of Thanks

We want to thank all the wonderful people who were there for us for the Benefit Softball Tournament held on the Sept. 29. To our family members, those of you who donated, the people who came down from Odessa, San Angelo and the ones from Ozona, we appreciate those of you who cooperated in any way possible. Shayne, thank you for doing your best to put this tournament together, you did your best, son, and we love you for all your efforts! Satero and family and Sandra and family - we love you all also and appreciate all you do for us also! May God Bless you all today, tomorrow and always.

With love and gratitude,
Emilio & Patsy Gutierrez

SOMETHING WORTH REPEATING

A few months ago I had the privilege of spending a few days with a youth group on a mission trip and one of their sponsors was a recently retired lawyer. I really enjoyed talking with him. He has been very active in his Church and in the last few years, he has been working with the youth. I was curious about what lawyers do to prepare for a case. He informed me that he probably spent ninety percent of his time reading, researching and preparing alone, in the quiet and only a small amount in his court presentation. As I thought about what he said, it brought to mind what is needed to live the victorious or successful Christian life. Preparation for Christian living is not done in the public eye; it is done in quiet and away from the public. It is there by reading our Bibles, (Psalms 1:2) and in prayer, (Matthew 26:41) and fellowship with God that we get the inner strength to go out and face the world (Psalm 91). There are no shortcuts, quick fixes or just pop it in the microwave. Jesus our beloved Savior took time to be alone with God the Father, (Matthew 26:36-39) so He could do the work the Father wanted Him to do. Which plan are you on?

See you in Church next Sunday.

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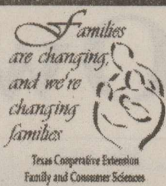
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Tips from Susie

By Susie Bishop CEA-FCS



What Does All the Pink Really Mean?

October has been recognized as Breast Cancer Awareness month. Many people notice the pink ribbons and bracelets that are worn to promote breast cancer awareness, but they may not fully understand the facts behind these items. Cancer is a disease that occurs when cells become abnormal and divide without control or order. Not only is breast cancer the most common cancer in women, it is also the second leading cause of cancer death in women aside from skin cancer.

Breast cancer is a malignant tumor that grows in one or both of the breasts. It forms in tissues of the breast, usually the ducts (tubes that carry milk to the nipple) and lobules (glands that make milk). Breast cancer is not limited only to women; men are also at risk, although male cases are rare. The most common signs of breast cancer are a lump in the breast, abnormal thickening of the breast, or a change in the shape or color of the breast. These symptoms can be detected through self-exams, but one of the earliest signs of breast cancer can be an abnormality that shows up on a mammogram before it can be felt. Mammography screening remains the best available method for early detection of breast cancer.

Breast cancers that are found because they can be felt tend to be larger and more likely to have already spread beyond the breast. According to the American Cancer Society (ACS), most doctors feel that early detection tests for breast cancer could save many more lives if more women and their health care providers took advantage of these tests. When should testing begin? According to ACS, women age 40 and older should have a screening mammogram every year and should continue to do so each year. Women in their 20s and 30s should have a clinical breast exam as part of a periodic health exam by a health professional,

preferably every 3 years. It is suggested that women in their 20s do a breast self-exam, but there are limitations to self exams, and they should never be substituted for a mammogram. Women at high risk should talk to their doctors about getting an MRI and mammogram every year.

What factors increase your risk of having breast cancer? Breast cancer risk is higher among women whose close blood relatives have this disease. Race has also shown to be an indicating factor. White women are slightly more likely to develop breast cancer than are African-American women, although African-American women are more likely to die of this cancer.

It has also been found that women who have had no children or who had their first child after age 30 have a slightly higher breast cancer risk. Having multiple pregnancies and becoming pregnant at an early age reduces breast cancer risk. Obesity has been found to be a risk factor to many diseases; breast cancer is no exception. Being overweight or obese has been found to increase breast cancer risk, especially for women after menopause. Likewise, evidence is growing that physical activity in the form of exercise reduces breast cancer risk. Use of alcohol is clearly linked to an increased risk of developing breast cancer. The risk increases with the amount of alcohol consumed.

False risk factors have been circulated through many means, including the Internet. Rumors have suggested that chemicals in underarm antiperspirants are absorbed through the skin, interfere with lymph circulation, cause toxins to build up in the breast, and eventually lead to breast cancer. Rumor also suggested that bras cause breast cancer by obstructing lymph flow. There is very little laboratory or population-based evidence to support either rumor.

Additionally, silicone implants have been a suggested risk factor. Implants do make it harder to see breast tissue on standard mammograms, but additional x-ray pictures (called implant displacement views) can be used to more completely examine the breast tissue.

According to ACS, the chance of developing invasive breast cancer at some time in a woman's life is about 1 in 8. The chance that breast cancer will be responsible for a woman's death is about 1 in 35. These statistics have been on the decline, and the reason for that decline is believed to be the result of earlier detection through screening and increased awareness, as well as improved treatment.

What can you do to reduce your risks of breast cancer? Suggested practice for good breast health for women includes:

- Obtain regular mammography screenings starting at the age of 40.
- Obtain annual clinical breast exams.
- Perform monthly breast self exams, if you wish.
- Obtain a risk assessment from a physician.

So, the next time you see someone wearing a pink ribbon or bracelet, remember the things that can be done to protect yourself or your loved one from becoming a victim of breast cancer.

Source: Courtney J. Schoessow, MPH, Extension Program Specialist C Texas Cooperative Extension. September 2007. Texas Cooperative Extension Family and Consumer Sciences website: <http://fcs.tamu.edu/>. Educational programs of Texas Cooperative Extension are open to all people without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age, or national origin.

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'Gun That Wasn't There' tells about history

By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher

With the help of a former West Texas sheriff, Russell Smith set out to write a tale about a piece of history that terrorized the Texas Hill Country and West Texas in the 1960s.

During Crockett County Museum sponsored presentation Monday night at the Senior Center, Smith showed pictures, documents and gave the audience an insight to his first book "The Gun That Wasn't There."

The book tells about the "Caveman Bandit," a burglar and armed robber who shot postmaster Pelham Bradford at Pumpville kidnapped Bradford's wife and took her to the Post Office where he made her open a safe and then he stole their car.

Four months later he shot Terrell County Sheriff Bill Cooksey. Both Bradford and Cooksey survived - and the Sheriff and Texas Ranger Alfred Allee Jr. capture the guy during a gunfight at Dryden in 1966.

Allee was stationed in Ozona at the time.

The book includes Crockett County and many of the surrounding area.

"He was a different kind of bandit," Smith said. "Things would be missing in people's houses like eggs or tortillas."

The bandit would often sneak in to people's houses on Sunday after everyone had gone to church.

He also road the railroad in between his crimes.

"The bandit had some kind of upbringing because he treated women with respect," Smith said.

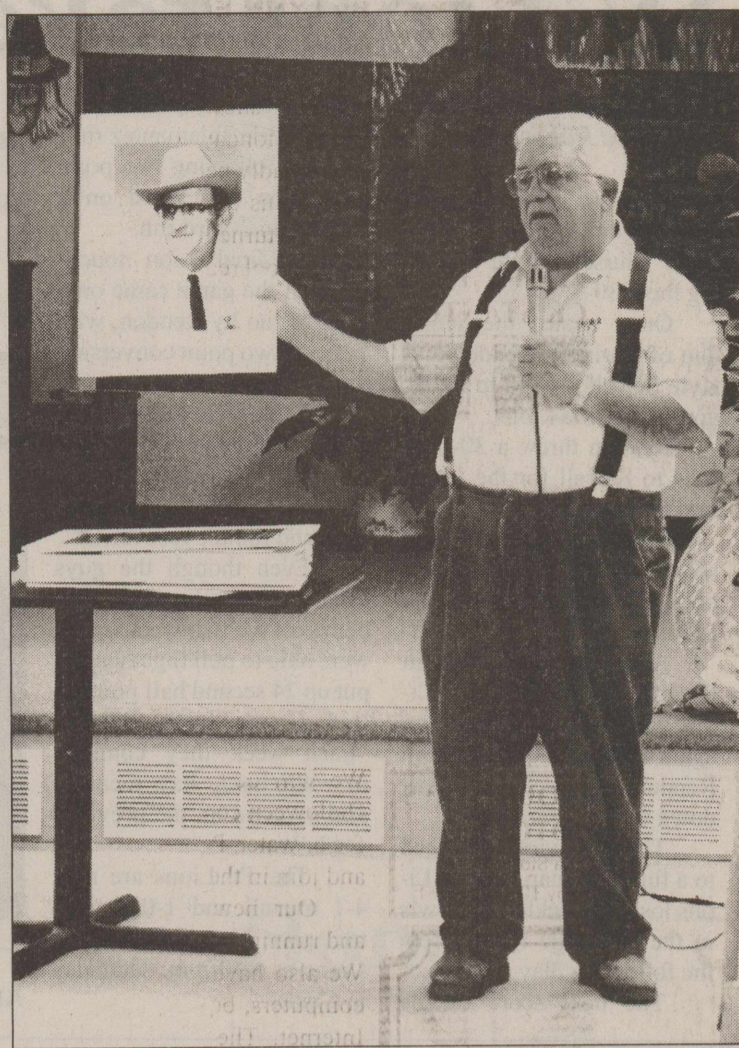


Photo by Melissa Perner

WEST TEXAS AUTHOR RUSSELL SMITH shows a picture of former Terrell County Sheriff Bill Cooksey during a program Monday night at the Senior Center sponsored by the Crockett County Museum. Cooksey was influential in Smith's writing of the book "The Gun That Wasn't There."

Doing the research for his book, Smith interviewed Cooksey in 1990, as well as Allee, before they passed away.

When Allee read an unpublished copy of the book, Smith said "he had tears in his eyes"

Smith revealed many elements from his book, but not everything.

Smith also said that history is being lost.

"The movies, the westerns are not selling. The movie people don't live down here," Smith said.

Smith's book is available at bookstores throughout West Texas, including San Angelo and Alpine, as well as through Amazon.com.

Monthly diabetes support group to meet next week

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

The next meeting at 5:30 p.m. is Thursday, Oct. 25.

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.

Nutrition/Food Pantry class to meet Oct. 26

The Nutrition/Food Pantry program will be held at 9:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 26 at the 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.

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Congressional representative to visit Oct. 28

The Office of U.S. Representative Ciro D. Rodriguez, D-San Antonio, will be hosting Congressional Mobile Office Hours in West Texas, the Middle Rio Grande, San Antonio and surrounding areas this October.

Crockett County's stop will be from 9 a.m.-noon, Oct. 28 at the Crockett County Annex, 909 Avenue D.

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JV Lions take down Owls

By **MELISSA PERNER**
Editor and Publisher

The JV Lions pounced all over the Reagan County Owls Thursday night defeating them 30-8.

Once again, the lethal duo of Christian Rendon and Kyle Sewell proved to be favorable for the Lions.

Rendon threw a 30-yard pass to Sewell for the Lions first touchdown.

Rendon and Sewell scored the second touchdown on a 25-yard pass to put the Lions up 12-0.

After holding Reagan County to a punt, the Lions were in scoring position again after a long pass from Rendon to Russel Komechak down to the 1-yard line.

The following play led to a fumbled snap that the Lions lost, but tackled the Owls in the end zone for a safety.

The next score of the

game for the Lions came on a 15-yard Eric Talamantez run.

The following two point conversion was good on a Kyle Dean 2-yard run.

The final Lion touchdown of the game came on a 20-yard run by Rendon, with a 2-yard two point conversion run by Dean.

The defense also had another great game.

Both Anthony Villarreal and Jose Aguilar had interceptions and fumble recoveries.

"Even though the guys came out a little rusty after being off for two weeks, they were able to pull together and put up 24 second half points," said Coach Justin Morris. "Each week they continue to work hard, stay focused, and improve on the previous week."

The JV Lions are now 4-1 overall and 1-0 in district play. They will take on Crane at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in Crane.

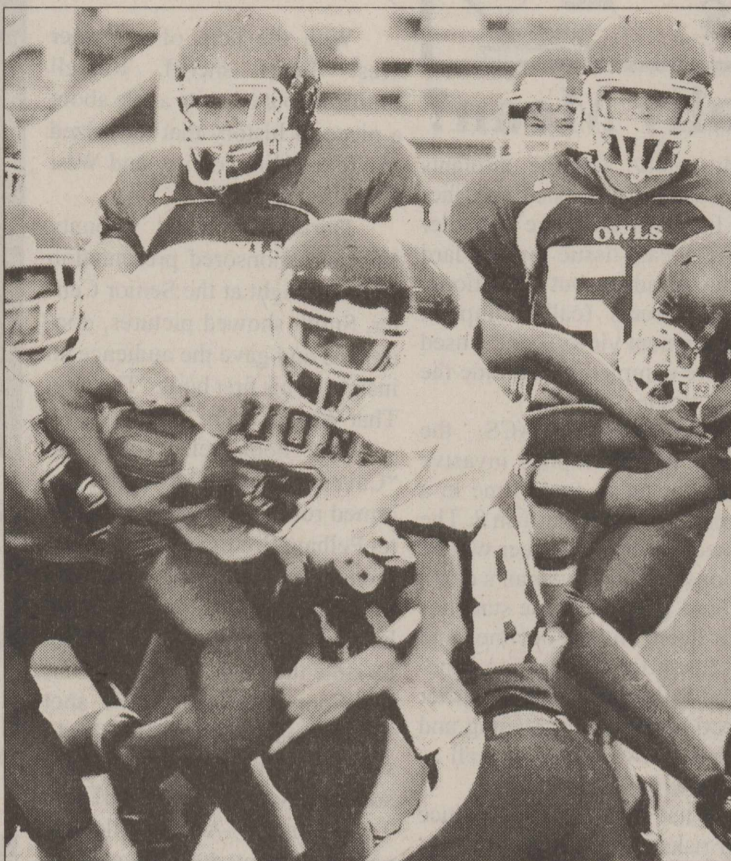


Photo Courtesy of Big Lake Wildcat
ABEY LARA powers through a mass of JV Reagan County Owls.

Lions, from page 1

The Lions would once again drive down the field in the fourth quarter as Maldonado and Santos would move the ball. Maldonado would then connect again with Gandar for the 32-yard touchdown pass.

Ozona would then try an on-side kick but the Owls would recover and take the win.

The Lions first points of the game came toward the end of the first half with a 45-yard field goal from kicker Mark Tambunga.

Reagan County would dominate the first half with quarterback Brandon Davenport leading the Owls to four touchdowns by

Troy Goodloe, Jeremy Creech and Ethan Furr, along with an Armando Ybarra field goal.

Heading into this week's game against Crane, Gutierrez said the Lions will have to change up their defensive strategy.

"Crane is a different offense with more of a power running game," Gutierrez said.

The Lions are now 2-4 overall and 0-1 in district play.

Ozona will take on Crane at 7:30 p.m. at Lion Stadium.

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RC	-	Troy Goodloe 38 pass from Brandon Davenport (Armando Ybarra kick), 4:40 remaining.
Second Quarter		
RC	-	Ybarra 28 field goal, 11:10.
RC	-	Jeremy Creech 4 run (Ybarra kick), 7:27.
RC	-	Ethan Furr 1 run (kick failed).
O	-	Mark Tambunga 45 field goal, :01.
Third Quarter		
O	-	Josh Santos 19 run (kick failed).
Fourth Quarter		
O	-	Matias Gandar 32 pass from Justin Maldonado, 2:26.
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First Downs	13	18
Total yards	261	352
Rushes-yards	36-149	35-167
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Gym.

Lions place second at Wall

By **MELISSA PERNER**
Editor and Publisher

The Ozona Lions Cross Country team placed second this past weekend at the Wall meet.

Ethan English was the top runner for the Lions placing 13th with a time of 16 minutes and 57 seconds.

Stefan Wilson was not far behind at 15th with 19:41 and Jesse Badillo finished 18th at 20:25.

Also running was: 24. Lalo Longoria, 21:09 and 30. Bailey Badillo, 22:14.

The Lady Lions placed sixth in the meet.

Chelsea Moore was the top

runner for Ozona finishing 12th at 14:02. Rebecca Ramos was 17th at 14:15.

Also running was: 37. Melanie Miller, 16:02; 43. Vanessa De La Garza, 16:17 and 49. Makayla Badillo, 19:03.

Eighth Grade Lady Lion Alex Rodriguez placed second in the meet at 13:15.

The Seventh Grade Lady Lions placed fifth in the meeting.

Running was: 20. Trinity Collis, 15:43; 21. Kodi Glosson, 15:46; 30. Cynthia Garcia, 16:30; 41. Sabrina De La Garza, 17:26 and 51. Jacinda Villarreal 18:42.

The Seventh Grade Lions placed sixth.

Running was: 5. Christian Perez, 13:38; 22. Jason Badillo, 15:40; 31. Noah Tambunga, 17:41 and 32. Matthew Galindo, 18:39.

The cross country teams will travel to Alpine Monday to run in the District 7-AA meet.

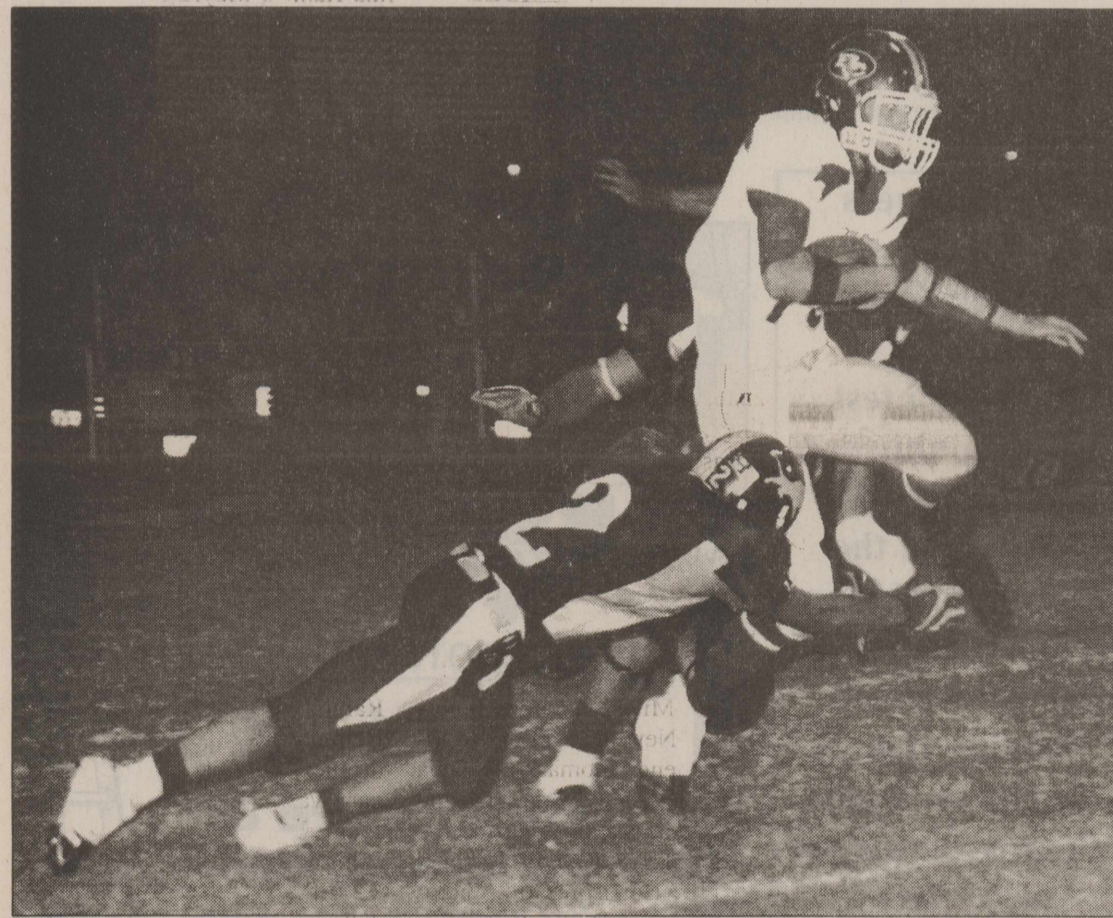


Photo by Joe Hernandez
JOSH SANTOS STRETCHES OUT TO TAKE DOWN A REAGAN COUNTY OWL in the Lions Oct. 12, game.



Photo by Joe Hernandez
MEDALISTS AT THE WALL CROSS COUNTRY MEET are: (l. to r.) Stefan Wilson, Christian Perez, Chelsea Moore, Ethan English and Alex Rodriguez (not pictured).

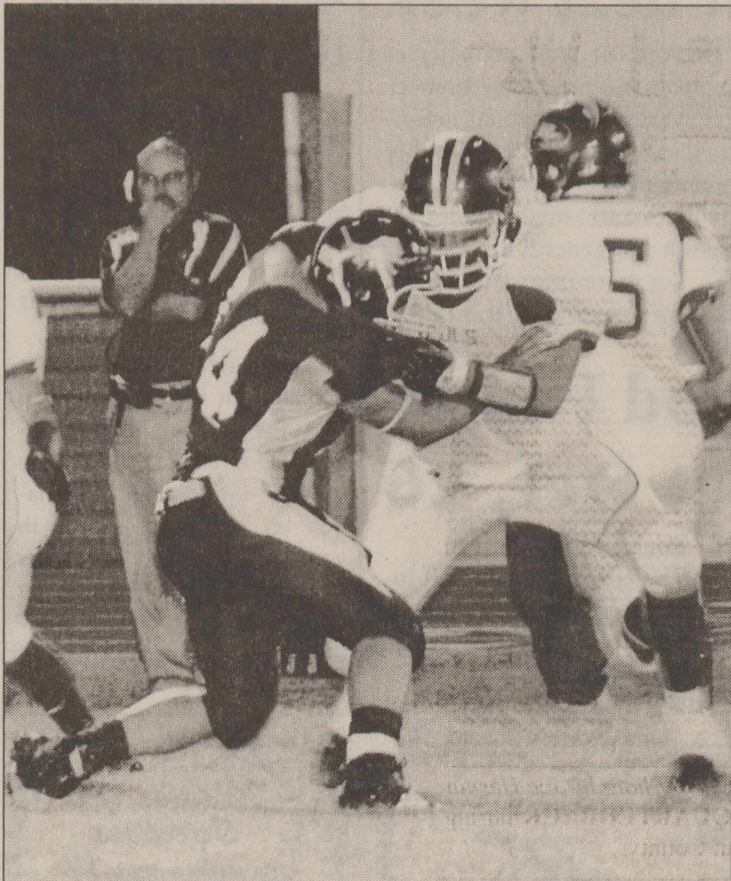
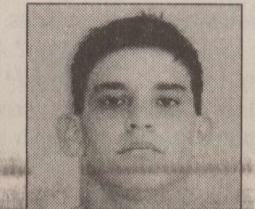


Photo by Joe Hernandez
PARRISH AIGUIER wraps up a Reagan County Owl in the varsity Lions game against Big Lake in Lion Stadium on Oct. 12.

OFFENSIVE MVP OF THE WEEK



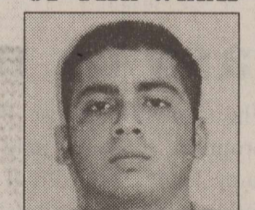
Matias Gandar
Matias had two receptions for 80 yards and one TD.

DEFENSIVE MVP OF THE WEEK



Aaron Pearl
Aaron had 3 tackles, 3 assists, 1 tackle for loss and 1 sack.

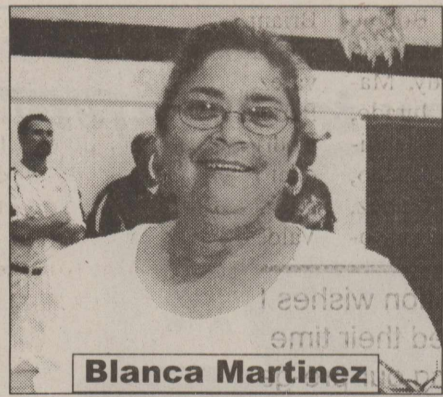
SPECIALTIES MVP OF THE WEEK



Abel Villarrel
Abel had 4 tackles, all came on special teams, had great hustle down the field on coverage teams.

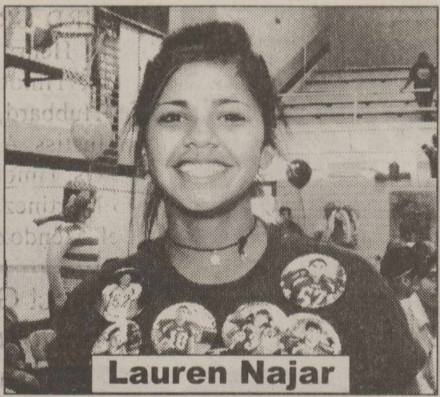
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Eighth Grade Lions stomp Owls

By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher

The Eighth Grade Lions continue their winning streak defeating the Reagan County Owls 36-6 Thursday night.

The Lions were in full stride against the Owls racking up more than 400 yards of offense.

Leading the way for the Lions was Andy Trevino, who rushed for 100 yards and a touchdown as well as caught three passes for 104 yards and a touchdown.

Others leading the offensive attack were Alejandro Mendez with 142 yards rushing yards and two touchdowns and 104 yards passing and a touchdown.

Lane Hale carried the ball as well rushing for 124 yards and two two-point conversions.

Jose Lozano rushed for 35

yards and a touchdown. "The offensive line did a fantastic job of opening holes all night, and it gave the backs and receivers time to make some big plays," said Coach John Esparza.

The line is made up of Jorge Sarabia, Marty Moran, Michael Medina, Austin Perez, Erik Carrizales, Adriel Zamarripa and Anthony Avila.

"We also had some great blocks by our receivers. Steven Rubio who made a few key blocks that lead to both of Mendez's touchdowns and Kramer Hall made key blocks on Trevino's touchdowns," Esparza said. "It was great to see the guys come out so fired up and play so controlled, the Lions had control of the ball for 13 of the first 16 minutes of the ball game. We really played sound football because of the line and the receivers

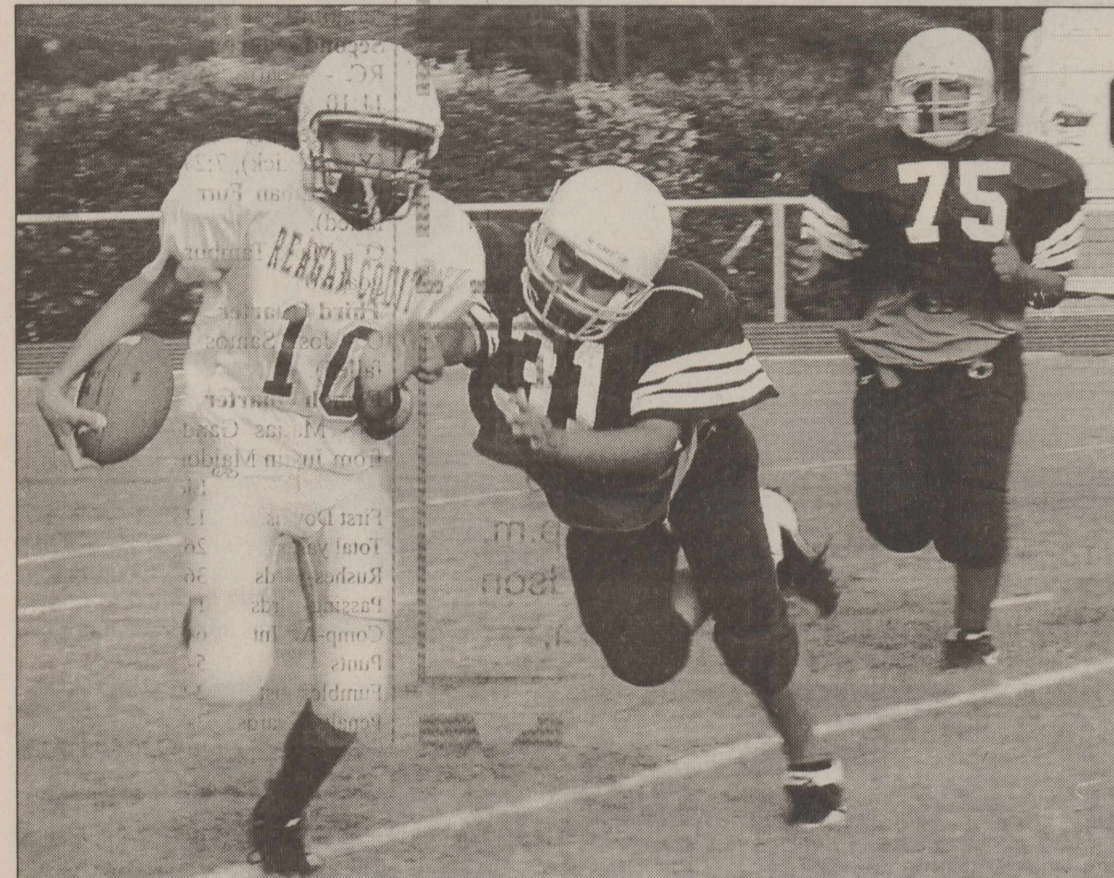
doing the little things they did we were able to be successful."

On the defensive side of the ball the Lions defensive line made big play after big play allowing only 73 yards all night.

Javier Otamendi, Mario Sifuentes, along with Lozano, Moran and Sarabia all had great takes.

"Because of the great defensive line play the Owls passing offense was ineffective, the linebackers held the running game in check all night," Esparza said. "We had guys just step up their game. I could not have been prouder of how well all of the linemen played. This was a great way for us to start district and hopefully carry the momentum into the Crane game."

The Lions will take on Crane at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at Lion Stadium.



SEVENTH GRADE LION BRANDON DEHOYOS TACKLES AN OWL FOR A LOSS. Also pictured is #75 Brandon Dominguez. Photo by Joe Hernandez

Seventh Grade Lions fall short to RC Owls

By MELISSA PERNER
Editor and Publisher

The Seventh Grade Ozona Lions lost to the Reagan County Owls 18-14 Thursday night.

Alex Borrego scored the two touchdowns for the Lions.

Brandon De Hoyos ran the ball in for a two point conversion.

Kodi Glosson had several receptions. Josh Tomlinson had an interception.

Blake Morrow recovered the onside kick with a minute left in the game to set the Lions up for their final drive.

Morrow had an excellent game both offensively and defensively, said Coach Jacob Hall.

The Lions will face Crane this week. Game time is 5 p.m. Thursday at Lion Stadium.

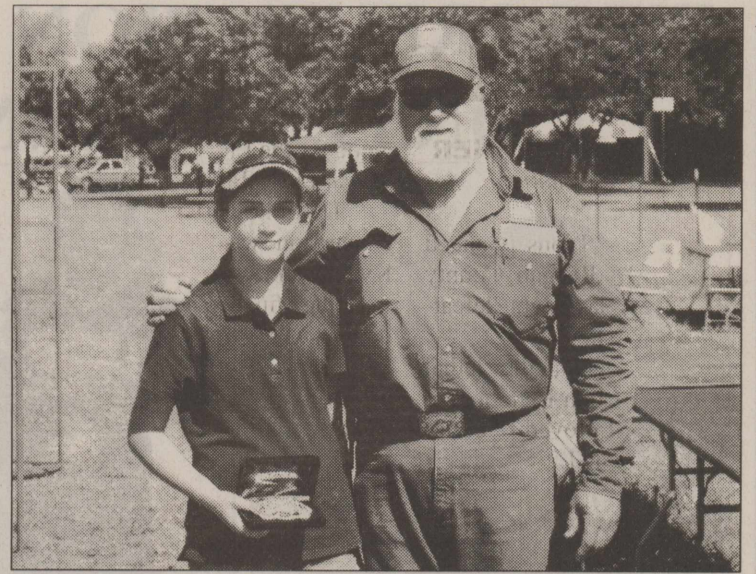
Boy Scout popcorn time

Ozona Boy Scout Troop 153 is taking orders for popcorn.

The money earned from the popcorn sales will go toward paying for merit badges and camping trips for the troop.

The troop is taking orders through Oct. 29. Delivery will be Nov. 9-21.

Anyone interested in placing an order can call Linda Conner at 392-8125.



SIERRA STOKES is pictured with Charlie Wilson TPWD Hunter Education representative and "Whiz-Bang" host. Stokes participated in the 16th annual Texas Parks and Wildlife Department "Whiz-Bang" Championship. She was the first female to qualify for this event since it began in 1992. This five-stand sporting clays championship is held annually at the TPWD headquarters in Austin during the Wildlife Expo. Whiz-Bang qualifying shoots are held throughout the year in conjunction with 4-H shooting competitions. The top five shooters from each age division from all over the state, are invited to compete in this event during the Expo. Stokes was presented with a sportsmanship award for the year with a belt buckle as her prize.

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OIS Honor Roll

"A" HONOR ROLL

THIRD GRADE - Abby Gott, Garry Held, Kamryn Lozano, Julie Marshall, Jose Martinez, Jadon Perez and Jonathan Posas

FOURTH GRADE - Annie Adames, Narda Aguilar, Kimberly Borrego, Rikki Chavez, Madison Childress, Mitchel Cox, Jose Damian, Travis Gunnels, Alex Hopper, Dakota Lee, William Martin, Maria Mejia, Lauren Miles, Jeremy Munoz, Alyssa Newlin, Caitlin Rodriguez, Reno Thomas, Estefania Torralba, Ashley Vargas, Duston Vargas and Kevin Villarreal

FIFTH GRADE - Angel

Aguilar, Harrison Gott, Victoria Grannis, Bryce Gutierrez, Jadie Marshall, Bethany Martinez, Nirvana Ortiz, Yeni Rodriguez, Alan Salazar, Dalan Wilson and Dylan Wynns

"A-B" HONOR ROLL

THIRD GRADE - Bobbie Benson, Henry Fay, Madison Galindo, Timothy Hardy, Madyson Hubbard, Maiah Jurado, Trace Justiss, Asia Lara, Jennifer Lewis, Timothy Maldonado, Caleb Martinez, Juan Mendez, Rachel Mendoza, Alberto Ro-

driguez, Kelly Sewell, Kabir Shah, Jasmine Talamantez and Azaylea Tovar.

FOURTH GRADE - Benito Badillo, Javier Barrera, Phillip Benson, Erbey Blanco, Ricardo Damian, Kerstin Dane, Destany Delgado, Michael Fay, Kristen Fierro, Erica Garza, John Gomez, Maria Guerrero, Jeremy Hernandez, Felipe Irlas, Alan Landa, Gina Marquez, Noe Medina, Kalen Perez, April Ramoz, Alondra Rodriguez, Belinda Rodriguez, Dulce Rodriguez, Diane Sifuentes, Megan Vasquez, Nereyda Vega, Juan Venegas and William Whitten

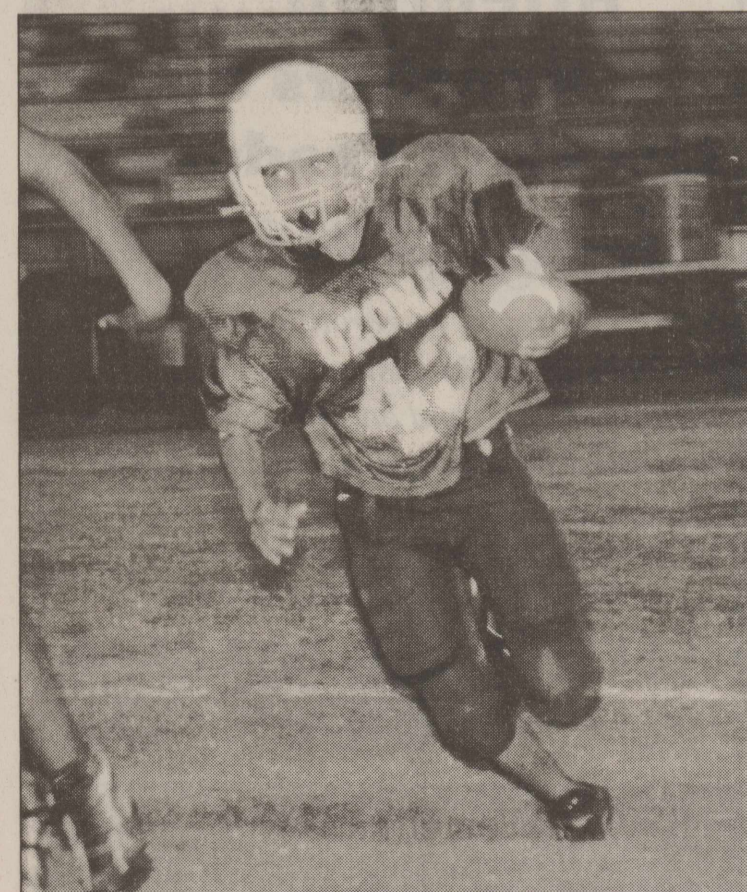
FIFTH GRADE - Justice Adkins, Alexis Aguilera, Wade Allen, Justin Badillo, Karla Blanco, Chase De Hoyos, Meagan Espinosa, Aliyah Guerra, Krislynn Harris, Marissa Held, Michael Hill, Daniel Lombrana, Brianna Lozano, Melissa Lozano, Janna Munsell, Lazaro Olivarez, Emmanuel Ortiz, Ricardo Porras, Tanya Reed, Jon-Luke Rodriguez, Juan Rodriguez, Lefer Rodriguez, Maira Rodriguez, Nathaniel Valdes, Nydia Valdes and Tammy Weddle



BLAKE MORROW SACKS THE QUARTERBACK during the seventh grade Lions game with Reagan County. Photo by Joe Hernandez



CUATRO JONES HURRIES THE QUARTERBACK in the eighth grade Lions Oct. 11 win over Big Lake. Photo by Joe Hernandez



ANDY TREVINO RUNS THE BALL for the eighth grade Lions in their 36-6 thrashing of the Reagan County Owls. Photo by Joe Hernandez

Intermediate school to host Book Fair

The Ozona Intermediate School is hosting a Book Fair on Oct. 22-24.

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Youth Center Calendar of Events

Oct. 18 - Closed for football game, Will reopen after game.

Oct. 19 - Closed for football game, Will reopen after game.

Oct. 22 - OHS Food Night, 7-10 p.m.

Oct. 23 - OMS Food Night, 7-10 p.m.

Oct. 25 - Closed for football game, Will reopen after game.

Oct. 26 - Closed for football game.

Go LIONS!

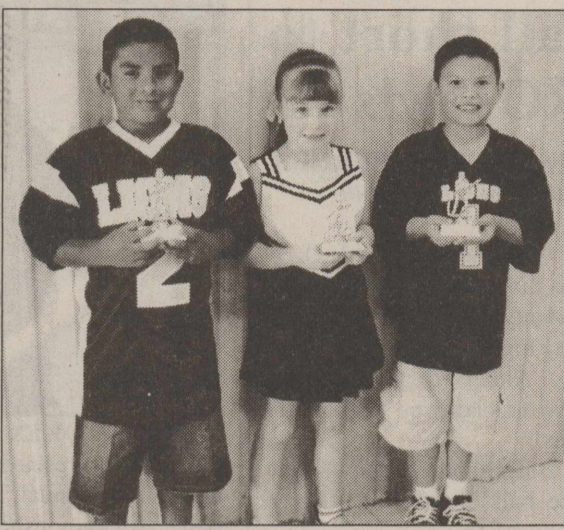
The OHS Athletic Booster Club would like to thank Las Guadalupanas from the Catholic Church for operating the concession stand during last Friday's varsity game. 100% of the proceeds goes back to the athletes. We appreciate your support!

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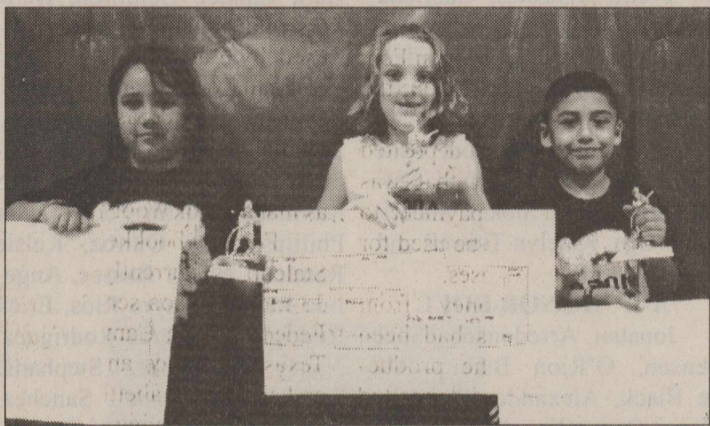
FIRST GRADE: (left to right) Christian Valdez, first place; Jordan Martin, second and Hilarin Valdez (not pictured) third.



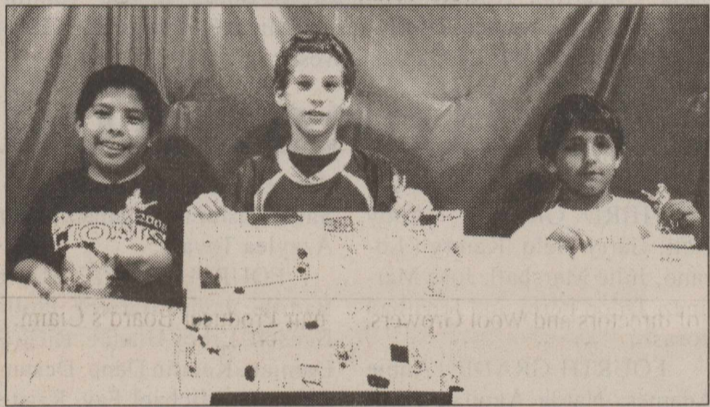
SECOND GRADE: (left to right) Mark Ybarra, third; Brenna Hale, first and Brandan Jara, second.



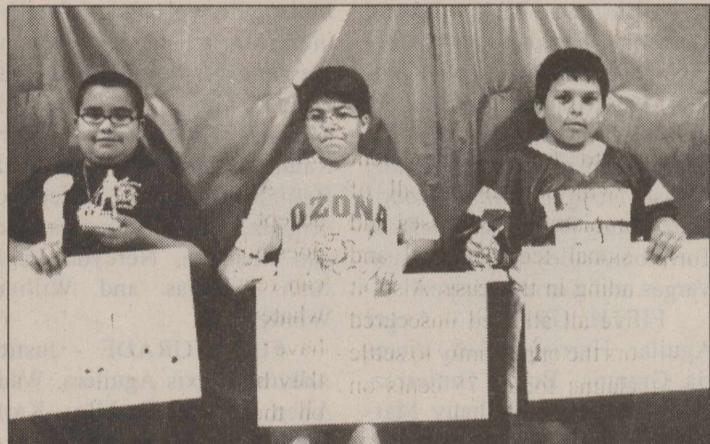
MRS WILLIAMS CLASS: (left to right) Omero Rodriguez, first; Erby Blanco, second and Noe Medina, third.



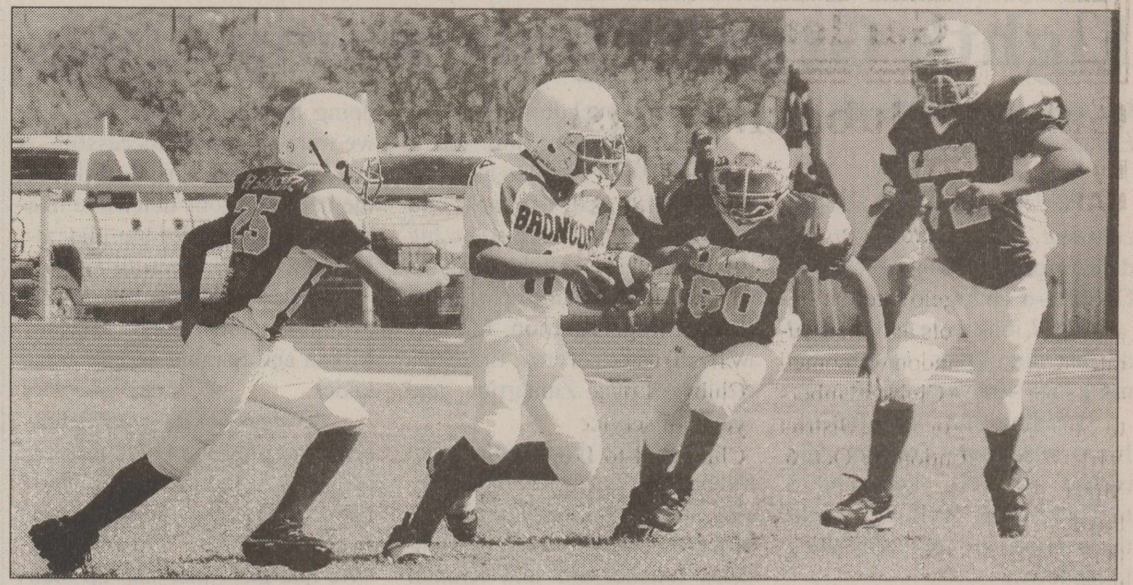
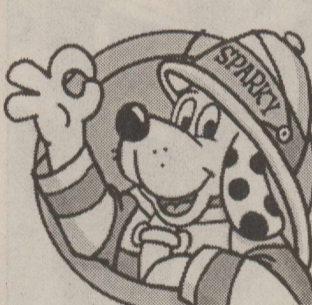
THIRD GRADE: (left to right) Briana Smith, first; Julie Marshall, second and Ryan Ramos, third.



FOURTH GRADE: (left to right) Jeremy Munoz, first; Reno Thomas, second and Thomas Fay, third.



FIFTH GRADE: (left to right) Caleb Villa, first; Angel Aguilar, second and Emanuel Ortiz, third.



#25 ROBBI SANCHEZ, #60 OZZY MEDRANO AND #72 MICHAEL YBARRA triple team a Sonora Heavy Weight Pee Wee football player.



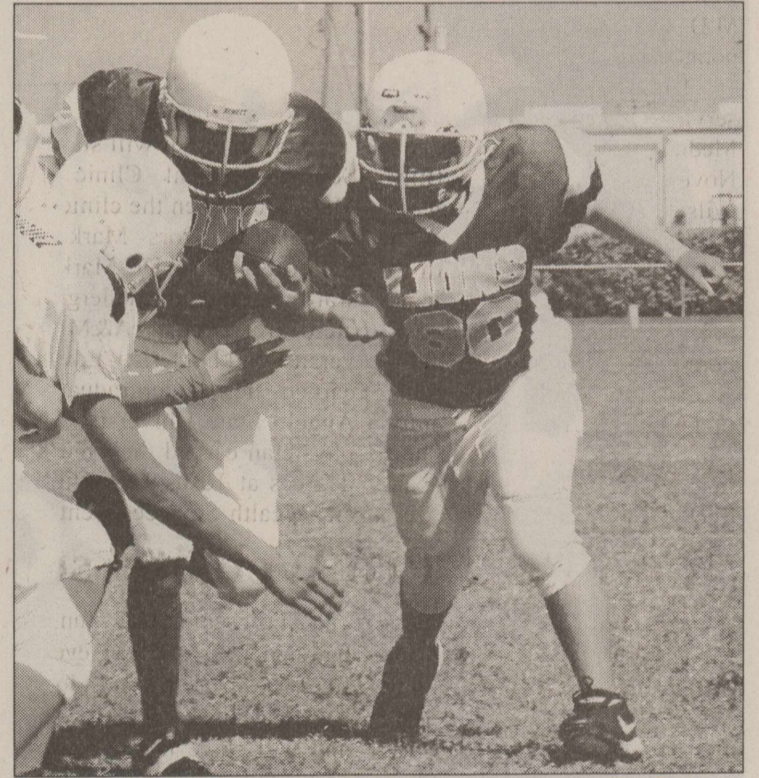
JAYTON RODRIGUEZ sprints with the ball while #53 Fernando Sifuentes moves up to block for him. Also pictured is #55 Michael Graham.



KALEN PEREZ, BRYCE MARTIN, THOMAS FAY, RICARDO DAMIEN and Dustin Vargas play for the Ozona PEEWEE 3rd and 4th grade football teams.



THOMAS FAY



EAZY RIVAS runs the ball for the Heavy Weights as Chase Dehoyos moves up to assist.

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Texas Garden Clubs, Inc. District VIII news

Garden clubs showcase San Angelo treasures

By CHARLOTTE HARRELL
Texas Garden Clubs Inc.

The San Angelo International Water Lily Pools and their curator Kenneth Landon welcomed 45 Texas Garden Clubs members to San Angelo for their District VIII Fall Convention on Oct. 6. Mr. Landon cordially escorted this group of garden club members around the pools, informing them about the myriad varieties of water lilies as he went. Though the sun was exceedingly warm for some, the visit to the pools was worth the effort. San Angelo can be proud to own this internationally-recognized treasure trove of aquatic plants.

Friday night garden club members enjoyed the ambiance of the new Chamber of Commerce Visitors' Center by the Concho River. Elaine Bridwell presented a program on the growing and decoration of gourds. Delicious boxed dinners were served before the program. At the conclusion of the evening, many members were loath to leave the Concho River and pleasant breezes behind and lingered for much conversation.

Saturday morning began at the Massie Myers Garden Center with San Angelo Mayor J.W. Lohn giving the welcoming remarks. Arlette Brininstool, convention co-chairman, gave the invocation. Barbara Shreve of the San Angelo Garden Club and the Senisa Verdure Garden Club led the flag presentation and the pledge. Agene Eblen of the Senisa Verdure Garden Club welcomed everyone to the convention. Jerri Lynn Pierce of Ozona Garden Club gave the response. Irene Meitzen, convention co-chairman, presented the meeting to Charlotte Harrell, District Director who, in turn, introduced members of the executive board.

Dot Polasek, third assistant director, gave the nominations committee report. Carol Looney of Breckenridge was elected to fill the two remaining years of Loyce Rogers' term as District VIII Trustee of Texas Garden Clubs. Loyce Rogers' many years of service to Texas Garden Clubs and to District VIII were lauded. However, Loyce is ill and unable to continue as trustee. Jo Ann Denson of Stamford was again elected to serve a term as our district's state officer. The state nominating committee will determine her office at a future date. Jo Ann is currently serving as state treasurer.

June Kohlman of the Mignonette Garden Club of Del Rio presented two Texas State Life memberships to Jo Ann Denson of the Stamford Garden Club and Mary Ann Meroney of the Reagan Garden Club of Big Lake.

Janice Randall, president of the Regan Garden Club of Big Lake, volunteered to chair the District VIII Scholarship Committee. Louise Matthews of the Reagan Garden Club of Big Lake volunteered to chair the Seeds for Life project. The Ozona Garden Club, thanks to Alice Brewer, has already collected 276 packets of seeds from Dollar General to further this project. These seeds will be sent to Guatemala, Peru, Panama, El Salvador and Mexico. The recipients of the seeds are guided in how to plant, cultivate and harvest the seeds. They are also taught how to improve the soil by using good environmental and conservation principles, thus avoiding pesticides and insecticides.

District Treasurer Jo Ann Denson reported that \$1,150 of \$1,575 needed for District VIII's sign for the entrance to the Pocket Gardens at headquarters in Fort Worth is in hand. Eight clubs and two individuals have

contributed thus far, and the rest of our clubs are encouraged to send their contributions as soon as possible.

Abilene Garden Club member Elaine Bryant died recently, leaving a huge hole in our hearts and in District VIII's trove of knowledge. Elaine served in numerous capacities over many years. Lately, she was our district's treasurer and awards chairman. Flowers were sent to her funeral, and members voted to place a memorial ad in the "Lone Star Gardener," the quarterly publication of Texas Garden Clubs Inc.

The fall Texas Garden Clubs state convention will be held in San Angelo in October 2008. Preliminary plans were discussed. Further, the upcoming National Garden Clubs annual convention will be held in Houston 2009. All clubs and districts in Texas are asked to help raise funds to defray the cost of this convention. District VIII will hold a raffle for this purpose at the spring convention in Del Rio in March 2008.

Arlle Brininstool of the San Angelo Garden Club and the Senisa Verdure Garden Club gave the Credentials Report, stating that there were 49 people registered, with 45 in attendance. Jo Ann Denson of Stamford Garden Club read the Courtesy Resolution.

After all business was finished, garden club members representing clubs in Abilene, Big Lake, Breckenridge, Del Rio, Merkel, Ozona, San Angelo and Stamford met at the River Terrace Restaurant for a delightful buffet lunch. Special thanks are due Arlette Brininstool and Irene Meitzen, co-chairmen of the convention, as well as all the members of the San Angelo Garden Club and the Senisa Verdure Garden Club of San Angelo.

Sonora Medical Clinic announces new physicians

The Sonora Medical Clinic welcomes Bradly Bundrant, M.D. to our facility and to Sonora.

Dr. Bundrant will begin serving patients at the Sonora Medical Clinic, Suite B, on November 1, 2007. Dr. Billy Wilson, who currently serves patients at Sonora Medical Clinic, has elected to return to a full-time emergency medicine practice. He will leave his Sonora practice October 31, 2007.

Dr. Bundrant earned his undergraduate degree at Trinity University in San Antonio and his medical degree at Texas Tech University Health Sci-

ences Center in Lubbock. He served his Family Practice Residency at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in El Paso. Dr. Bundrant is married and has three grown children.

Dr. Bundrant will staff the Sonora Medical Clinic into May, 2008 when the clinic will welcome Doctors Mark and Kristy Edwards. Dr. Mark Edwards earned his undergraduate degree at Texas A&M University, and Dr. Kristy Edwards earned her undergraduate at Angelo State University. Both physician earned their medical degrees at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in

Lubbock, and both completed their Family Practice Residency at the Valley Baptist Medical Center Family Practice Residency Program in Harlingen, Texas.

In addition to family medicine, Dr. Mark Edwards will offer colonoscopies and Dr. Kristy Edwards will provide wound care and a variety of women's services.

The Sonora Medical Clinic is open Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For appointment, please telephone (325) 387-7911. Walk-ins are welcome. Nosotros hablamos Espanol.

'Building a Pro Website' seminar Thursday

The ASU Small Business Development Center is conducting a seminar entitled, "Building a Pro Website for Under \$100" from 4-6:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 18 at the ASU MCS Building Room 111B. Cost is \$25 per person.

This seminar is fun and building your site can even be free. The speaker, Cindy Jordan, has designed several websites and will share her free to low cost strategies and resources. This is a hands-on seminar so bring your storing device (CD)

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You will learn the process on how to:

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- Personalize and create your website for under \$100.

Advance registration is required, call (325) 942-2098 to RSVP or on-line at www.sbdc.angelo.edu

ACCIDENT: Family was heading to San Antonio

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trauma at Parkland Hospital in Dallas. Their mother, MonaLisa Johnson, is in fair condition also at Parkland Hospital in Dallas.

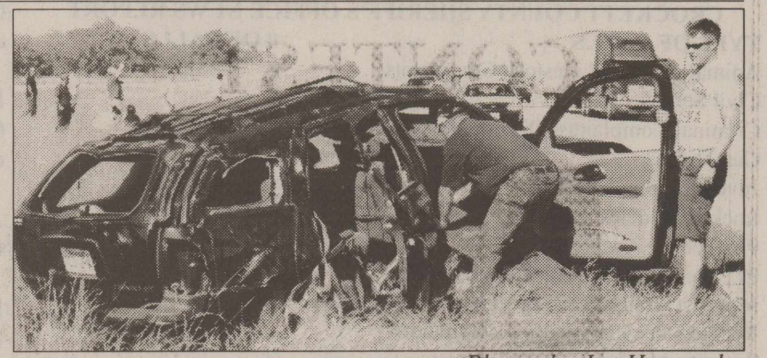
The accident occurred around 10:35 a.m., 12.1 miles east of Ozona heading east on I-10.

Driving a 2004 blue Chevrolet Trailblazer, the mother dozed off behind the wheel causing the vehicle to ease into the inside lane, according to a report from the Texas Department of Public Safety.

MonaLisa Johnson then awoke, cut the steering wheel sharply to the right causing the vehicle to go sideways and skid across both lanes of traffic, the report stated. The vehicle then went into the shoulder, slid into a slight embankment and rolled four times ejecting two unsecured passengers, the report stated.

Ashley Johnson and Tyler Johnson were not wearing seat belts. Logan Johnson was buckled up in car seat.

The family was traveling to San Antonio to pick up their father who had just been airlifted



Photos by Joe Hernandez

A 2004 CHEVROLET TRAILBLAZER rolled four times Saturday morning on Interstate-10 killing two children, injuring one child and the mother who was driving.

from Iraq to the Brooke Army Medical Center. The U.S. Army flew the father to Dallas to be with his wife and son.

DPS Trooper Ben English, who investigated the accident, said that the DPS and Crockett County Sheriff's Office communications team, Crockett County EMS, Ozona Volunteer Fire Department, Texas Department of Transportation, Crockett County Sheriff's Office and the many bystanders who stopped to help should all be commended for

their effort that day.

"I have always been proud to call Ozona home, but I have been never been as proud of the people of Ozona as I was that day," English said.

English said tragic accidents like this one are one reason he was against the 80 mph speed limit that was placed on I-10.

"I wish people would take a look around and see what is happening on our highways in this country right now," he said. "Please, buckle up your kids."

SENTENCING: Laughlin used Wool Growers money to write unauthorized salary checks

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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.

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

COMPROMISE: Wardlaws are being paid additional \$70,000 to settle state court suit

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The Wardlaws have agreed that the state court suit will be dismissed.

The only difference in the settlement reached with the Wardlaw Creditors from the settlement set forth in the motion to dismiss is that, in addition to the Wardlaw Creditors receiving their approximate 67 cents on the dollar of their bankruptcy claim, they are being paid an additional \$70,000 to settle their state court action.

Otherwise, the settlement reached with the Wardlaws does not effect in any way the settlement proposed in the motion to dismiss.

Along with objecting to the federal bankruptcy case, the Wardlaw Creditors also filed a state lawsuit in February 2007 at the Tom Green County Courthouse against the board of directors, George Bunger, Bill Black and John Allison, former manager Donnie Laughlin, former bookkeeper Tonya Stalcup and current manager Mike Edinburg.

Also in the settlement agreement, the Wardlaws release any claims or causes of action that they may have against the board

of directors and Wool Growers. The Wardlaws objection to the original motion to dismiss is to be withdrawn, documents state.

The settlement agreement motion states that the board of directors will contribute \$2.6 million to fund a settlement which will pay almost all of the administrative expenses and professional fees incurred and outstanding in this case. Also, it will give all allowed unsecured creditors the opportunity to settle their claims for 67.75 cents on the dollar.

The \$2.6 million had already been deposited with Walter O'Cheskey who has agreed to serve as Escrow Agent and Disbursing Agent. On dismissal of the case, O'Cheskey will send to each allowed unsecured creditor a form of release which, if each creditor so chooses, can be signed and returned to O'Cheskey who will then immediately disburse to that creditor 67.75 cents on the dollar of that creditors' claims, except those claims held by the producer claimants from whose dividend will be subtracted their share of that portion of the Mo-

ers retail business or would be used by Laughlin in the form of unauthorized additional salary checks and cash, the documents state.

Laughlin was hired in 1991 as manager of Wool Growers.

Former bookkeeper Tonya Stalcup is currently serving a 33-month prison sentence in the Federal Prison Camp at Bryan, Texas for frauds and swindling and aiding and abetting.

After serving her prison time, Stalcup will also be placed on three years of supervised release and ordered to pay \$200,000 in restitution.

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CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS REPORT

TYPE OF CALLS	# OF CALLS
Animal control, Livestock Complaints	8
Civil Service	8
Criminal Complaints, Disturbances, Etc.	31
Gas Thefts	3
Juvenile Complaints	4
Locked Vehicles	2
911 Vehicle Accidents	1
911 Medical calls/ Transfers	5
Motorist Assistance/Gas Welfare	2
Reckless driving/speeding complaints	3
Security Alarms	3
Assist other Law or county Agencies	1
Sheriff's Office Admin Calls	32
Jail/dispatch Admin Calls	9
Suspicious Persons/Vehicle	2
Welfare Concern for Citizen/Property	1
Traffic Citations Issued	20
Prisoners Currently in custody/Ozona	10
Prisoners Housed in other counties Sept 1-30	12

WEEKLY NEWS REPORT

The following persons have outstanding Crockett County Warrants. It is recommended that these persons surrender into custody at the Crockett County Sheriff's Office as soon as possible.

- RHONDA CERDA...of Dallas, Crockett County Court-theft by check
- LACY FLEMING...of Odessa/Ozona- Crockett County Court-theft by check
- BLAS RAMOS JR...of Midland/Odessa Crockett Court-

ty J.P. warrant - no driver license and restrained child

- GILBERTO MONTE-LONGO MATA ...of Ozona, Crockett County J.P.- minor in consumption of alcohol
- CHRISTINE REYES ARANA... of Austin- Crockett County Court-failure to identify
- NORMA JEAN LOHMANN (BONZO)...of San Angelo-Crockett County Court - failure to appear
- JOHN MANSELL CLARK...of Ozona - Crockett County Court - unlawful restrained of a minor after indictment.

Notice: It is a violation of Texas Laws to assist or help hide a person known to have an outstanding warrant for arrest.

ARREST REPORT

- 10-10-07**
 - Jonathan Lee Munoz, 22, of Ozona, arrested by sheriff's deputy with a warrant for theft by check. He paid fine and was released
 - Thomas Raleigh Conner III, 29, of San Angelo, arrested by DPS Trooper for evading arrest with a vehicle. He posted bail and was released.
- 10-11-07**
 - Javier Chavez Elizondo, 20, of Ozona, surrendered into custody for a warrant of failure to appear/possession of alcohol by minor. He pled guilty in J.P. Court, served out fine in jail, and was released.
 - Laurie Ann Zapata, 38, of Big Lake, was arrested by sheriff's deputy with a warrant of theft by check, also a Reagan County warrant for theft by check. She posted bonds and was released.
- 10-12-07**
 - Donny Lynn Hill, 28, of Big Lake, arrested by sheriff's deputy for disorderly conduct. He paid fine and was released.

Edward Mendoza Jr., of Ozona, arrested by DPS trooper for driving while intoxicated second. He remains in custody pending bail/court.

10-13-07
Gerardo Rey Elizonado, of Ozona, arrested by sheriff's deputy with two Crockett County warrants of failure to appear. He posted bonds and was released.

10-14-07
Pascual Ponce, 55, of Ozona, arrested by sheriff's deputy for public intoxication. He pled guilty in J.P. Court, paid fine and was released.

Gabriel James Flores, 35, of Ozona, arrested by DPS Trooper for driving while intoxicated. He posted bail and was released.

Harry E. Glavin, 48, of California, arrested by sheriff's deputy for public intoxication. He pled guilty in J.P. court, paid fine and was released.

Victoria Castillo Fierro, 18, of Ozona, was arrested by sheriff's deputy for driving while license invalid. She paid fine and was released.

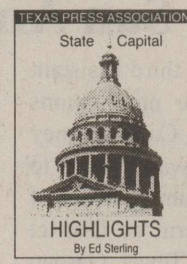
INCIDENT REPORTS

10-6-07
A disorderly conduct report was filed, by citizen at 100 block of Avenue I - known suspect used offensive language towards complainant. Investigation continues.

10-14-07
A runaway juvenile report was filed, by parent at 1700 block of Walnut St. Juvenile member of the family left residence and her location was unknown. This case was unfounded after further investigation.

A criminal mischief report was filed, by vehicle owner. While at vehicle was parked at football game, unknown person damaged vehicle. Investigation continues.

Strong economy will allow state to give tax credit in 2008



AUSTIN - About 370,000 employers in Texas will receive an estimated \$170 million in surplus state tax credits next year, Gov.

Act permits by extraordinary amounts. On average, facilities exceeding their permits did so by 143 percent, nearly 2.5 times the legal limit.

Polluters in Texas reported 64 instances in which they exceeded their Clean Water Act permit by at least 500 percent over the legal limit.

Rick Perry said.

A strong Texas economy pushed the state Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund to a \$376.7 million surplus, Perry announced Oct. 9.

For the second year in a row the trust fund's ceiling has been exceeded, enabling the state to return excess taxes back to employers, Perry said.

Eligible Texas employers filing quarterly unemployment tax reports will receive a tax credit beginning with their first quarter 2008 tax return.

To receive the credit, employers must meet eligibility requirements, including having payroll during 2007 and having paid all taxes due.

REPORT DETAILS

WATER POLLUTION
Goals of the federal Clean Water Act of 1972 are to eliminate discharge of pollutants into waterways and make those waterways safe for swimming and fishing.

But in 2005, more than 53 percent of industrial and municipal facilities across the state discharged more pollution into waterways than their Clean Water Act permits allow.

That statistic comes from "Troubled Waters: An Analysis of Clean Water Compliance," a new report released Oct. 11 by Environment Texas, an Austin-based non-profit.

"As the Clean Water Act turns 35, polluters continue to foul our rivers, lakes and streams," said Brad Hicks of Environment Texas. "With so many facilities dumping so much pollution, no one should be surprised that more than half of Texas waterways are unsafe for swimming and fishing. But we should be outraged."

Environment Texas used the federal Freedom of Information Act to obtain data on facilities' compliance with the Clean Water Act between Jan. 1 and Dec. 31, 2005. Environment Texas researchers found that:

- Texas had 318 facilities, more than any other state, report exceedances of their Clean Water Act permits. These facilities reported a total of 1,340 exceedances.

- Facilities in Texas often exceeded their Clean Water

Act permits by extraordinary amounts. On average, facilities exceeding their permits did so by 143 percent, nearly 2.5 times the legal limit.

INVESTOR GROUP PURCHASES TXU

Dallas-based TXU Corp. on Oct. 11 announced its merger agreement with Texas Energy Future Holdings Limited Partnership, a group of private investors who reportedly paid \$32 billion.

The power company is now doing business as Energy Future Holdings Corp. Shares of TXU common stock ceased trading at the close of the market Oct. 10 and will be delisted.

Plans are in place for retail residential customers to receive rate reductions.

Donald L. Evans of Midland, who served as U.S. secretary of commerce for four years under President George W. Bush, has been named non-executive chairman of EFHC.

COMPLAINT FILED AGAINST JUDGE

Twenty attorneys from different areas of Texas filed an official complaint with the State Commission on Judicial Conduct, requesting that it investigate Sharon Keller, the presiding judge of the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals.

At issue is the judge's decision not to keep courthouse doors open past 5 p.m. so that attorneys could file an emergency request to stay the Sept. 25 execution of Texas death row inmate Michael Richard.

COFFER TOTALS MORE THAN EXPECTED

On Aug. 31, the last day of fiscal year 2007, Texas had more money in its treasury than expected.

Comptroller Susan Combs reported the state had \$8.5 billion, \$1.5 billion more revenue than she had projected.

She attributed this to an increase of almost 11 percent for the year in state sales and use tax collections.

The \$1.5 billion may sound like a lot, but it represents only 1 percent of the state's \$152 billion budget for fiscal years 2008 and 2009.

Fire department runs

OCTOBER 13
10:43 a.m. - Fatal motor vehicle accident at mile-marker 378 eastbound on Interstate-10. Two fatalities and two injured. Four units, six fire fighters, Sonora Fire Department and TxDOT responded.

Local EMS runs

- OCTOBER 11**
 - Local Run, no transport.
 - Local Run, transported to Family Health Clinic.
- OCTOBER 12**
 - Transfer to Hudspeth Health Clinic then to meet Air Memorial Sonora.
 - Standby Football Game.
- OCTOBER 13**
 - Local Run, transported to Family Health Clinic.
 - Local Run, two dead at the scene, one transported to Family Health Clinic then to meet Air Memorial Sonora.
 - Local Run, one transported to Shannon Hospital San Angelo.

School Bus Safety Week reminds drivers to stop

For Texas students, the most dangerous part of their journey to and from school is crossing the street to board a school bus or after exiting one. During the 2006-2007 school year, no students were killed during this critical part of their journey to and from school, but passing motorists pose the greatest danger to these students.

Texas state law requires drivers to stop for school buses that are stopped and have activated their alternating red flashing lights. Drivers should not proceed until the school bus resumes motion; the driver is signaled by the bus driver to proceed, or the visual signal is no longer activated.

"Motorists who do not stop are endangering our most precious resource—our children," said DPS Director Col. Thomas A. Davis Jr. "These reckless drivers will face fines of up to

\$1,000, plus court costs if they are convicted."

School Bus Safety Week runs from October 21-27 across the nation. This year's safety week theme—"Stop on Red, Kids Ahead"—reminds drivers to obey the law regarding stopping for a school bus.

If a road is divided only by a left-turning lane, drivers on both sides of the roadway must stop for school buses with alternating red flashing lights activated. However, if the lanes are separated by an intervening space or physical barrier, only motorists going in the same direction as the bus are required to stop.

School buses remain one of the safest modes of transportation in Texas—38,000 school buses transport 1.5 million Tex-ic children every school day. School buses account for less than one-half of one percent of all Texas roadway crashes.

Junction Stockyards Market Report

Sheep and Goats Oct. 15, 2007

Total receipts 1,800 head. Lambs & fat ewes steady. Thin ewes 1-3 lower. Choice kids steady, plainer kids 1-3 lower. Fat nannies 1-2 higher, thin nannies 1-3 lower. Billies & muttons steady.

#1 spring lambs 50-70 lbs.	1.00-1.08
#1 spring lambs 70-90 lbs.	87-1.02
Fat ewes	34-40
Thin ewes	12-24
Bucks	28-35
Baby Tooth Ewes	60-72
Solid Mouth Ewes	37-48
Baby Tooth Angora stocker nannies	60-78
Solid mouth Angora stocker nannies	32-44
Stocker Angora muttons	50-70
Angora Kids	1.10-1.25
Angora Kids-shorn	92-1.10
Weighing Angoras-shorn (thin)	17-27
Weighing Angoras-shorn (fat) nannies	28-34
Stocker Spanish nannies	60-80
Fat Spanish nannies	38-47
Fat Spanish muttons	90-1.10
Fat Spanish billies	72-88
Fat yearlings	95-1.07
Fat Spanish kids	1.05-1.12
Small kids	98-1.08
Thin kids	85-92
Spanish nanny & kid pairs	36-41/hd

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◆GONE BABY GONE (R)	◆MR. WOODOCK (PG-13)
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◆RENDITION (R)	◆THE GAME PLAN (PG)
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Crockett County

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Approach Operating	9600	J R Bailey -A- #805	Nabors Drilling (D)	Drig Ahead
New Approach Operating	9600	Bailey #326	Patterson Drilling/A 710	Drig Ahead
New Andarko E & P Co Lp	8500	Meybin -A- #8	Patterson Drilling/A 38	Drig Ahead
New Andarko E & P Co Lp	8400	Davidson -15- #14	Heart Land Drilling 8	Drig Ahead
New Log Resources/Mid	5800	Shannon Hospital -A- #13	Capstar Drilling II	Drig Ahead 738"
New Film Natural Res	5500	Baggott Oz #11574	Patterson Drilling/A 721	Drig Ahead

Sutton County

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Domination Ok Tx E&P	9450	Morris Brothers Ranch	Patterson Drilling/A 39	Drig Ahead
Domination Ok Tx E&P	9400	Duke Wilson -174- #9	Patterson Drilling/A 120	Drig Ahead
Domination Ok Tx E&P	9250	L R Valliant #29	Helmerich & Payne#303	Assigned
Domination Ok Tx E&P	9100	L R Valliant #30	Patterson Drilling/A 122	Drig Ahead
Kes Resources/Pb	9600	Sawyer -129- #16	Patterson Drilling/A 42	Drig Ahead
Domination Ok Tx E&P	9000	Duke Wilson -188- #19	Patterson Drilling/A 120	Assigned
Domination Ok Tx E&P	8975	Mayer -28- #9	Helmerich & Payne#303	Drig Ahead
Domination Ok Tx E&P	8675	Mayer Ranch -35- #6	Patterson Drilling/A 742	Drig Ahead
Domination Ok Tx E&P	8525	Shurley Rr -1c- #5	Patterson Drilling/A 40	Drig Ahead
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Domination Ok Tx E&P	8300	Edwin S Mayer Jr #11-4	Helmerich & Payne#302	Drig Ahead
Domination Ok Tx E&P	7200	R H Mitchell #5	Patterson Drilling/A 185	Drig Ahead
Domination Ok Tx E&P	7050	Canyon Ranch -115- #23	Helmerich & Payne#305	Assigned
Domination Ok Tx E&P	7000	Canyon Ranch -105- #15	Helmerich & Payne#304	Drig Ahead
Domination Ok Tx E&P	7000	H C Epps -39- #11	Patterson Drilling/A 115	Drig Ahead
New Domination Ok Tx E&P	6950	Canyon Ranch -115- #23	Helmerich & Payne#305	Assigned
Domination Ok Tx E&P	6750	H C Epps -39- #13	Patterson Drilling/A 115	Assigned
Domination Ok Tx E&P	6350	Espy -56- #16	Helmerich & Payne#304	Assigned

Schleicher County

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
New Swartz Oil Company	5500	O'Harrow -55- #1	Heart Land Drilling 2	Moving On
New Paint Rock Operating	5200	McLaughlin #82	Greenwood Drilling 1	Drig Ahead

Reagan County

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Pioneer Natural/Trv	10500	Hughes -195- #1	Mattcock Drilling 2	Drig Ahead 8100"
Pioneer Natural/Trv	9975	Ringo -5- #1	Larlar Services/Ole-44	Drig Ahead 8628"
Mariner Energy	9900	Kite-1213- #2	Big Dog Drilling 1	Drig Ahead 6036"
New Mariner Energy	8650	University -17- #11	JB Hunt Gas & Oil 2	Drig Ahead 6500"
New Mariner Energy	8550	Sau Mariner 36-2 #2	Big Dog Drilling 5	Drig Ahead 3993"
Palo Petroleum, Inc.	2800	Palo-University 14-12 Bevo #51	Hope Drilling 1	Drig Ahead

Terrell County

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
ConocoPhillips/Odes	12500	Alex Mitchell -1- #10	Patterson Unit-1 #81	Drig Ahead 10600"
Encores Operating Lp	12100	Banner Estate #35 H	Nabors Drilling (D) #41	Drig Ahead
Encores Operating Lp	6700	Goode Estate Unit #15	Nabors Drilling (D) 789	Drig Ahead

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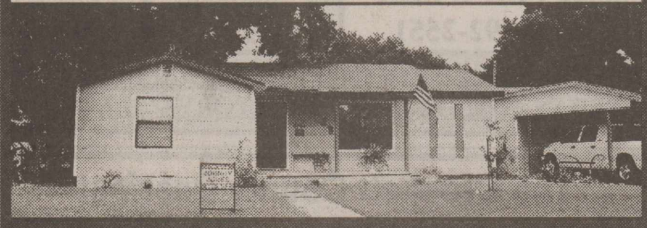
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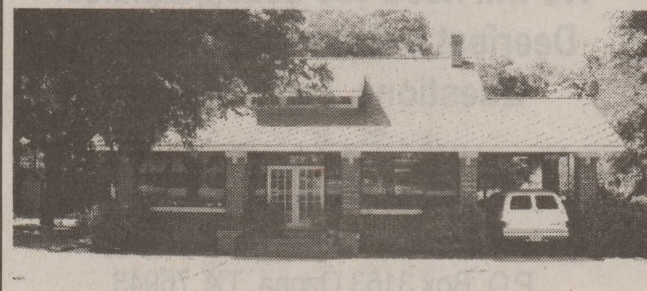
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