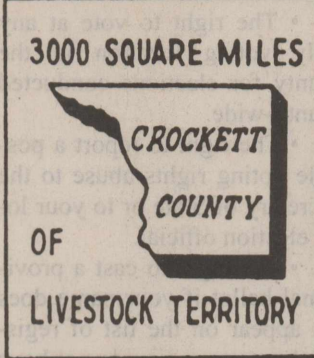


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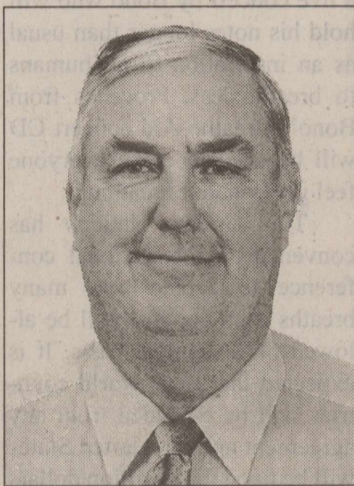
## MEET THE CANDIDATES

### Q&A: Candidates running for Commissioner Precinct 3

**WHAT IS YOUR OCCUPATION, EDUCATION, AND FAMILY?**

I am employed by J. Cleo Thompson Oil Producers as a gas plant operator. I currently serve as the Crockett County Commissioner for Precinct 3. I also have a part time business, Southwest Diesel and Automotive. I am a graduate of Midland Lee High School (1971) and have college hours with Midland College and with Texas A&M through training required by the State of Texas as continued Education Units. I have also attended many specialty classes, which relate to my mechanical vocation, the most recent being Equipment Analyst training.

I have three children. Bryan David, who is special to us and lives in our home. Bryan is a part time volunteer for Helping Hands of Ozona. Angela Kay Branch-Martinez who is employed by the Texas Department of Public Safety in San Angelo as a Police Communications Operator II, her husband Daniel and daughter Tyra. Charles Nicolaus Branch, who is a partner of Alliance Drilling Fluids, LLP, his wife Heather and Son Barrett of Artesia, N.M. Charlie and Heather are also expecting their second son this coming April.



**RANDY BRANCH**  
(Incumbent)

**WHAT QUALIFIES YOU FOR THE POSITION YOU ARE RUNNING FOR?**

I meet all of the qualifications as set forth by the State of Texas for the office of County Commissioner. I have also served on the Ozona Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, Civic Center Board of Directors, Appraisal District Board of Directors, Crockett County Care Center, Health and Emergency Board of Directors, President of the Ozona Lions Club, past member of the founding Board of Directors of Crockett County

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**WHAT IS YOUR OCCUPATION, EDUCATION AND FAMILY?**

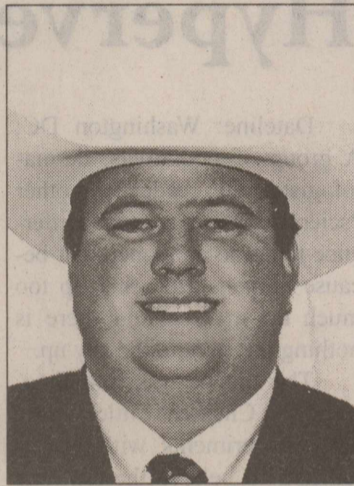
I am self-employed, owning and operating Ozona Weed Wash, L.L.C., OZTX Oil & Gas, L.L.C., W.L. Energy Services, L.L.C. and W.B. Ranch Company. Being involved in these industries since childhood, first through my family and now my own businesses, I know the significant importance of them to Crockett County.

Living in Crockett County for a lifetime, I graduated from Ozona High School in 1998. I am a 2001 graduate of Howard College where I obtained my Applied Science Degree in Criminal Justice. During the time of my secondary education, I also completed two semesters of the business curriculum.

I am married to my wife Lindsay and we have two wonderful children Skylar 3 years and Kurt 11 Months.

**WHAT QUALIFIES YOU FOR THE POSITION YOU ARE RUNNING FOR?**

I have family ties to Crockett County in the ranching and oil and gas industries on both sides of my family and I understand the importance of both these industries to Crockett County. I care



**WESLEY BEAN**

about this county and the people who live here. I am a successful business owner and understand what it takes to make business decisions. I believe county decisions should be made to benefit all citizens not just a few.

**WHAT ARE THREE THINGS YOU WOULD LIKE TO ACCOMPLISH IF ELECTED?**

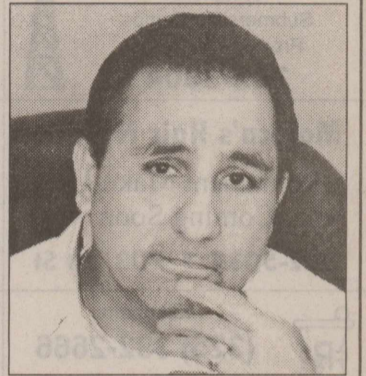
I would like to work to get current issues resolved; such as the issues with the jail, flooding and road conditions. I feel these issues are important and need to be resolved as economically but as efficiently as possible.

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## Tobar indicted, again

County Commissioner charged with retaliation

By **MELISSA PERNER**  
 Editor and Publisher



**ALFREDO TOBAR**

A Crockett County Grand Jury has handed up a fifth indictment on a local county commissioner.

Alfredo M. Tobar was indicted on the charge of retaliation on Jan. 31. He was arrested and formerly charged on Feb. 5 at the Crockett County Jail.

Tobar has been released on bond. His bond for this charge was set at \$25,000 by District Judge Dick Alcalá of El Paso.

The charge is a third-degree felony, which carries a punishment of 2-10 years in prison and up to a \$10,000 fine, according to the Texas Penal Code.

Tobar, 50, allegedly tried to harm or threaten Texas Ranger Brooks Long by making a false report with the Texas Structural Pest Control Board stating that Long was operating his spraying business, Amigo Chemical Control Inc., without a proper license, according to court documents.

The false report stems from an incident in which Tobar allegedly presented himself as an official of authority to employees of Amigo Chemical Control Inc., and required employee Jose Antonio Rivera to surrender his social security number, court documents state. Tobar then allegedly photographed Rivera's social security card.

Tobar also allegedly impersonated an inspector of the Texas Department of Agriculture and obtained a sample of chemicals from Rivera, court documents state.

Tobar was arrested on those charges in May and indicted in September for fraudulent use or possession of identifying information and on two counts of impersonating a public servant.

In February 2007, Tobar was indicted on two counts of obstruction and two counts of unlawful restraint.

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Those indictments stem from an automobile accident in which Tobar's son, Timothy Joe Tobar, 27, was allegedly intoxicated and caused injury to two other teenagers involved.

Alfredo Tobar allegedly restrained Nick Perez and Lyndsie Crawford from receiving medical attention and tried to prevent the two teenagers from serving as prospective witnesses.

Tobar currently serves as commissioner of precinct 4.

Tobar's attendance at Monday's commissioners' court meeting was the first one he has attended since November. Commissioners' court meetings are held the second Monday of each month.

According to the Texas Association of Counties, the state does not have a set number of meetings a county commissioner has to attend. Instead, meeting attendance is usually set on the local level.

Tobar can remain in office, if he chooses, until he is convicted, if he is convicted.

According to the Texas Local Government Code, the conviction of a county officer by a jury for any felony or for a misdemeanor involving official misconduct operates as an immediate removal from office of that officer.

**Early Voting: Feb. 19-Feb. 29 Primary Election Date: March 4**

## Harlem Ambassadors vs. 'Hometown Heroes' Monday

By **MELISSA PERNER**  
 Editor and Publisher

Ozona fire fighters and emergency service personnel will have a chance to show off their basketball skills against a group of "show-stopping" players when the Harlem Ambassadors comes to town next week.

The event, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, will be held at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 18, at the Ozona High School Davidson Gym.

The show is designed to be fun for all ages.

Money raised through the event will be donated to the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department, the Crockett County EMS and the Ozona Community Center.

### Harlem Ambassadors Basketball Game

**TEAMS:** Harlem Ambassadors vs. the Knights of Columbus and "Hometown Heroes" from the Crockett County EMS and Ozona Volunteer Fire Department.

**WHEN:** 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 18

**SITE:** Ozona High School Davidson Gym

**TICKETS:** In advance - Students \$5; Adults \$7

At the door - Students \$6; Adults \$8.

Kids 4 and under admitted free.

Tickets available at the Ozona Fire Station, Circle Bar Cable Office, Bran-Dan's Roadside Grocery Store and Lori's Burger Shop

## Commissioners approve emergency amendment for new brush fire truck

By **MELISSA PERNER**  
 Editor and Publisher

A new brush truck is needed at the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department.

The Crockett County Commissioners approved an emergency budget amendment for a new brush truck during Monday's regular meeting.

Fire Chief Bob Falkner presented to the commissioners the problems the fire department has been having with their three brush trucks.

Falkner said the tanks on the trucks have been cracking, clutches have gone out on the trucks, wiring is going bad and at times all three trucks have been out of service at the same time.

Also, trucks have stopped

running in the middle of an active fire line, causing the department to have to drag the truck before it burns up, Falkner said.

In January, repairs for the current brush trucks cost the fire department around \$5,500.

"The trucks have come to us pretty undependable. The trucks have just been lemons," Falkner said.

"We're taking a Coca-Cola highway truck and taking it out to a pasture," added Brian Morrow, assistant fire chief.

Falkner said the fire department plans to appoint members to a truck committee to look at companies that specifically build trucks to fight brush and grass fires.

That committee will then present the specifications and truck to the whole fire depart-

ment to be approved, and then to the commissioners for final approval.

Cost for a new brush truck can range from \$120,000-\$144,000, based on the two companies the fire department is working with.

"These are better built trucks that what we've been doing ourselves," Falkner said. "We've built some good trucks, but nothing like these trucks that are built by these companies."

### BURN BAN IN EFFECT

The commissioners also reinstated a 30-day county-wide burn ban due to dry, windy conditions that have caused the spread of grass and wildfires in the county.

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# What's on My Mind by Melissa Perner

## The Right to Vote

It's time again to speak out by coloring in those little circles.

The 2008 Primary Election Day is less than month away, which means it's time for Crockett County citizens to get out and vote.

In this week's and last week's issues, the Ozona Stockman profiled the two local contested races that Crockett County voters will decide on March 4. Early voting is Feb. 19-29 at the courthouse annex.

This is a critical time for voters. Locally, while voters will be deciding which Democratic candidate should run for president, along with the rest of the state, a sheriff's race and commissioner's race will be decided next month.

Local races are where a person's vote is really counted.

Information is the key in determining one's vote. Not only has our paper publishing information about the local candidates, I have seen these four

men visiting with voters.

Many voters often have questions about their right to vote.

If a voter does not have their voter registration card, they can still vote by using their:

- drivers' license or personal identification card issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety;

- a form of identification containing the voters' photograph;

- a birth certificate; U.S. citizenship papers;

- U.S. passport;

- official mail addressed to the voter, by name, from a governmental entity;

- copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document that shows the voters' name and address or any other form of identification prescribed by the secretary of state.

As a voter, people have the right to cast their vote in secret

and free from intimidation.

Once the ballots are turned in, no one looks at them until they are ready to be counted, and most ballots are run through a computer to be counted.

Also, the voter's name is not on the ballot, which helps keep the vote secret.

Voters also have:

- The right to a ballot with written instructions on how to cast the ballot.

- The right to receive up to two more ballots if a mistake is made while marking the ballot.

- The right to ask the polling place official for instructions on how to cast the ballot, but not for suggestions on who to vote for.

- The right to bring an interpreter to assist you as you qualify to vote if you do not understand the English language.

- The right to assistance while casting your ballot if you cannot write, see the ballot or understand the language in which it is written.

- The right to bring written materials into the voting booth to assist you as you cast the ballot.

- The right to vote at any early voting location in the county for elections conducted county-wide.

- The right to report a possible voting rights abuse to the Secretary of State or to your local election official.

- The right to cast a provisional ballot if your name does not appear on the list of registered voters, or you do not have proper identification.

- The right to file an administrative complaint with the Secretary of State concerning violations of federal and state voting procedures.

For more information on voting, call the Secretary of State's office at 1-800-252-VOTE (8683), e-mail at elections@sos.state.tx.us and by regular mail at: Elections Division, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, TX 78711.

Go out and vote.

## IT'S THE PITTS BY LEE PITTS

### Hyperventilatin'

Dateline: Washington DC; A group of podiatrists, dermatologists, palm readers and other "scientists" held a press conference today to announce that because humans are using up too much air in breathing there is nothing left to hold the sky up.

The theory was first theorized by Chicken Little whose early experiments with acorns led him to believe the sky was falling.

The U.S. government and several green groups sponsored Chicken Little's work which has been confirmed by such notable grant-sponsored professors as Dr. Henny Penny, Dr. Turkey Lurkey and Dr. Goosey Loosy.

Now another panel of scientists, with funding from the Rockefeller, Doris Duke and other unfirm foundations, have formed the "Sky Is Falling Coalition" in order to educate mankind that because of our self-indulgent behavior and our insistence on breathing the falling sky could kill all polar bears on earth by 2050.

All human life will also

vanish but the coalition of scientists said this would actually be a good thing.

As proof of our imminent demise the distinguished panel of scientists pointed to plummeting NBA scores and the theory that birds on the island of Wango Bango are flying lower than they did 20 years ago.

"This is obviously because the sky is bearing down on them," said Dr. Wing Nut. "Only a massive effort by the global community will avert disaster," said Dr. Nut. "It will require trillions of dollars and much human sacrifice to stop the sky from falling. And we do mean human sacrifice. Only by decreasing the amount of breathing going on in the world can we avoid this disaster."

Hollywood movie stars such as Leonardo de Whacko, George Looney, Alec Baldwin and Ed Begley Jr. have joined the "breathing movement" and are staging a pro-sky event called Breathe-Aid to raise awareness about global breathing. The Breathe-Aid event will feature

a live concert by Bono who will hold his notes longer than usual as an inspiration to all humans to breathe less. Proceeds from Bono's Breathe-Aid concert CD will be used to make everyone feel guilty about breathing.

The United Nations has convened an international conference to decide how many breaths each country will be allowed on an annual basis. It is expected that third world countries will be excluded from any agreement and the United States will be fined three trillion dollars and forced to reduce its breathing 50 percent by 2010.

This is because U.N. officials concluded that there was more "heavy breathing" occurring in the U.S. than anywhere else on earth. They speculated that our selfish squandering of the earth's atmosphere by heavy breathing was due to porn films, Playboy magazine and X-rated movies.

Henceforth puberty will be illegal in the United States. The U.N.'s Party Secretary, Bill Clinton, said that "Americans must reduce their lavish lifestyle and selfish behavior if we are to stop the sky from falling."

You might breathe a little

easier to know that Al Gore has been approached to make an Academy Award winning slide show about the breathing movement called "An Inconvenient Breath."

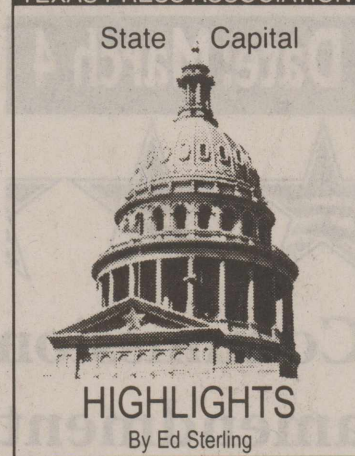
Although he insists that global warming still has more profit potential to destroy the earth than global breathing, he has formed a multinational corporation to sell global breathing offsets.

Asthmatics, people with emphysema, horny teenagers and other heavy breathers can buy breathing credits from other people who will kill themselves, or use other measures to somehow reduce their breathing footprint.

A critic of the breathing movement said, "The global breathing crises is being caused by excessive hyperventilatin' about a problem that was created out of thin air by folks you wouldn't trust to clean your toilet."

He said, "It's a bunch of pessimists who used to hold signs proclaiming the end of the world was near. Now they use the Internet. The sheer stupidity of the scientists is enough to take your breath away."

### TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION



AUSTIN - Higher-ups at the Texas Department of Transportation sat in front of two state Senate committees for about three hours and tried to answer questions about how the agency got to where it is, in a financial sinkhole.

At a Feb. 4 meeting, lawmakers in a joint meeting of the Senate Finance and Transportation Committees questioned TxDOT Executive Director Amadeo Saenz Jr., interim chair of the Texas Transportation Commission Esperanza "Hope" Andrade and others.

The officials said TxDOT committed a \$1.1 billion book-keeping error and scheduled more road projects than the agency could afford to fund. This resulted in road project freezes and cutbacks.

Lawmakers expressed disdain over how that could happen. They asked if this was a political stunt to push the state closer to public-private roadbuilding projects or just a case of incompetent management.

## Senate committees question TxDOT over finances

Sen. Tommy Williams, R-The Woodlands, called for an independent audit of TxDOT's financial records.

Sen. Kirk Watson, D-Austin, serves as vice chair of the Senate Committee on Transportation and Homeland Security.

"Fortunately, legislators from both parties, every region and all backgrounds, are equally fed up with TxDOT," Watson said. "Not only will there be some major reforms on tap for the next legislative session, but the Sunset Commission is reviewing the agency from top to bottom."

### TEXAS EMERGES AS KEY IN PRIMARIES

Super Tuesday primary elections or caucuses in 24 states on Feb. 5 made U.S. Sen. John McCain of Arizona the prohibitive favorite as the Republican Party candidate for president.

Former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney ended his quest for the nomination after spending more than \$35 million of his own money on the campaign.

Former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee stayed in, having won five states himself on a shoe-string budget.

With less than a month to go until its March 4 primaries, Texas is primed for a duel between McCain, the defense-minded war veteran, and Huckabee, the ordained Baptist minister with

populist appeal.

At this point, neither McCain nor Huckabee has the financial means to saturate Texas media markets with advertising.

Another candidate still in the GOP race is U.S. Rep. Ron Paul of Lake Jackson, Texas, a wild card with his Libertarian leanings and pro-life stance. His following, especially among college students and younger Texans, could draw double digits and tighten the race between McCain and Huckabee.

The Democratic presidential candidates, U.S. Sens. Barack Obama, D-Ill., and Hillary Clinton, D-N.Y., had nearly matching delegate counts after Super Tuesday and other state primaries held Feb. 6-10.

As of Feb. 11, Obama had captured 19 states and Clinton, 12. Both candidates are expected to spend time and advertising dollars in the delegate-rich Lone Star State as March 4 approaches.

### GROUP STUDIES GAPS IN EDUCATION

Texas schools serving mostly poor and minority students often have less of everything that matters in education - especially strong teachers.

That finding was published in January by The Education Trust, a Washington, D.C.-based non-profit that promotes "high academic achievement for

all students, pre-kindergarten through college."

The Education Trust found that "Instead of providing these students with the kind of teachers they need to catch up to other students, low-income, Hispanic and African-American students in Texas are:

- Less likely to be assigned to fully certified teachers;

- Less likely to be in classrooms with experienced teachers; and

- Less likely to attend a school with a stable teaching force."

### CONSERVATOR RUNNING FOR TOP POST

Richard Nedelkoff, current state-appointed conservator of the troubled Texas Youth Commission, is a candidate for appointment as the agency's executive director.

Acting Director Dimitria Pope said at an interim meeting of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal Justice that she is not being considered for the job.

Nedelkoff, TYC's third conservator since allegations arose last year regarding abuse of youth in the facility, has resigned as chief operations office with Florida-based Eckerd Youth Alternatives Inc., a post that he had held until recently while serving as TYC conservator.

## The Ozona Stockman Deadline is NOON ON MONDAY

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# Free income tax preparation Feb. 23 in Eldorado

Free income tax preparation will be available from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Feb. 23 at the 1st Community Credit Union at South Divide (State Highway 277) in Eldorado. The preparation is sponsored by AARP. The service is free for people in Eldorado, Ozona and Sonora. All returns will be filed electronically that day. An appointment is necessary. To make an appointment, or for more information, call Patsy at 853-2574.

**Ozona Lodge #747 A.F. & A.M.**  
Regular meeting on 1st Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

## Ozona Senior Happenings

By **LYNN ENGLISH**  
Senior Center Director

We will be having our regular activities this week plus on Thursday, Feb. 14, we will be having our Senior Bingo Social. At 6:30 p.m. we will begin serving lasagna, garlic bread, salad, cookies and coffee, tea or water. Come on out and join in the fun and please bring a bingo prize.

On Friday, Feb. 15, Judey Pumroy from the Texas Veterans Land Bank will be here at the Crockett County Senior Center to give a presentation to our veterans at noon. Please call Helping Hands at 392-5026 for a lunch plate at the cost of \$2.50.

Lyndon English, well now you have done it! The puzzle you brought us from New York has proven to be the most challenging so we had to take a break from it. It has been put on a back table to be worked on when we feel that we need to be punished.

I recently ran into Burl Myers and he gave us a full box of puzzles to work. Thank you so much Burl as we were getting low on puzzles.

If you happen to have extra 2008 calendars, we are needing some to take to people who are shut in and don't have one because they are unable to get out. If you will bring them to the Senior Center we will deliver them with their meals.

It will be March 4 before the Concho Valley Community Action Council will be here. They are the organization that helps those who qualify with their utilities.

We have a good selection of books on our bookshelves. Drop by and check to see if there are some you would like to read them.

Come and "Walk Two Miles" with us every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8:30 a.m. This exercise program con-

ditions you to begin your day and everyone who participates testifies that it makes them feel energized for the day. Marolyn Bean, Brenda Newton, Norma Carson, Janet Moore and Betty Fields are faithful about coming. Our morning exercise group is doing well and growing. Some of you procrastinators need to get up and join these ladies to "sculpture your body."

Monday and Thursdays, at 1:30 p.m., is when the bridge players come to the Senior Center to play their favorite past time and game. These ladies come in all smiles, bringing snacks and enjoy each others company. Playing last week were: Sandy Bebee, Dorothy Friend, Celia West, Charlotte Harrell, Liz Williams, Katherine Russell, Jean Odom, Marilyn Cox and Eileen Childress.

Our activities are for those 50 years or older (we are flexible). Come out and join us.

# 'Answers on Aging' program Feb. 28 at the Senior Center

The Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley strives to provide information, assistance, and services to the older citizens of Crockett County.

AAA staff will be available to assist individuals from 10-11 a.m. Feb. 28 at the Crockett County Senior Center.

Needing to learn more about services offered?

"Answers on Aging" is designed to provide information about services and programs available to older individuals.

Needing to apply for services?

Intake Specialists will be available to assist you with any questions you may have.

Programs that are housed in the Area Agency on Aging include Advocacy (Texas Silver Haired Legislature), Benefits Counseling (Medicare Part D), Care Coordination (Prescription & Utility Assistance, Home

Modifications), Caregiver Support (Respite Care), Foster Grandparent Program (Mentoring Children), Ombudsman Program (Advocates For Long-Term Care Residents), Senior Companion Program (Companions For The Elderly) and 2-1-1 of the Concho Valley (Health & Human Services Information).

A wide variety of printed information covering various topics will also be available.

Please feel free to stop by and visit with the Area Agency on Aging staff when we visit your community. We look forward to speaking with you.

For more information, call Lindsey M. Elliott, Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley at (325) 223-5704 or toll-free at 1-877-944-9666.

The Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services funds services of the Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley.

## Care Center Chatter

By **ELSA VASQUEZ**  
Assistant Activity Director

Started off the week with our crew of volunteers and Sunday Services with the Ozona Church of Christ and the Ozona United Methodist Church. Then, we went on with bingo and a great book to read from E.A. Wadsworth R.N.

We had a tough competi-

tion game of residents playing tennis. Francis Davis, resident aide helped out making Valentine boxes.

James Pagan sang for us on Wednesday. Lucille Longoria did a great job on Thursday with the Ladies Beauty Shop.

Christina Hernandez helped out with coloring March calendars.

We had a surprise birthday

party for Benny Gibbs with a lunch and a birthday card. We all had the best time ever remembering always to love one another.

Employee of the Month for January is Lanell Garcia, C.N.A., and Resident of the Month for January is Oscar Kost.

Join us for our Valentine's Day party at 3:15 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 14. Thanks to all.

Please send your American Cancer Society Memorials to:  
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**Card of Thanks**  
To everyone in Ozona, thank you for the prayers, food, cards, calls, visits, flowers and most of all, your support during our mother's illness.  
From the Joe Ybarra Family  
Oscar & Bernice Payne Family  
Joe Ybarra Jr.  
Jeff Ybarra  
Bridget & Salomon Duron Family

**Card of Thanks**  
A big thank you for all the help and support each one of you gave to the successful Sweetheart Ball at the Civic-Youth Center Saturday night: Blanca Martinez, Baskets & More; Board members Shona and Hollis Moore, Raymond and Rachel Maldonado, Amy and Victor Newton, Annalu and Turk Gonzales, Peggy and Benny Logan, Valerie and Jeff Sanchez, Mikki Moran, Irma Tambunga, Michelle Badillo, Margaret Longoria, Debbie Gaskill; Joe Hernandez, Felice Gutierrez; Security Petra Hernandez and Sammy Longoria; Teen Board Ben Flores, Taylor Newton, Chelsea Moore, Lalo Longoria, Austin Suddreth, Matias Gandar; Andrew Hamilton, Ferrel Armstrong, Sara Dorough and Kayla Fuller. Thanks to everyone!  
Allen Williams

**Card of Thanks**  
We would like to take this opportunity to thank those that have been here for us. The many telephone calls, cards, letters, visits, flowers and memorials have been a source of comfort to us. To all of those who have offered shoulders to cry on and arms to lean on, your support has been our strength our time of sorrow. We are truly blessed by many caring friends and neighbors. Again, thank you from the bottom of our hearts. May God Bless You.  
The Family of Bill Maness

**Devotion to St. Jude**  
May the sacred heart of Jesus be praised, adored, glorified, loved and preserved and glorified throughout the world now and forever. The sacred heart of Jesus, pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, helper of the hopeless, pray for us. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ for the help of your servant St. Jude in listening to my prayers. Say this prayer nine times for nine days. By the end of the eighth, your prayer will be answered. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised. Thank you St. Jude for prayers answered.  
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## LOOKING FOR THE LOST LAMBS

It was a very busy day and it is usually is during sheep and goat shearing time. We had a pen full of sheep and some of them were starting to have lambs. It was late in the afternoon so we opened the gate to let them out but they stampeded. Several of the newborns could not keep up with the flock and they got left behind. I was hoping that their mothers would come back for them but they did not. I picked up the little lambs and started walking toward the main flock. Most of the mothers came back and claimed their babies but I had a problem with one little lamb. Every time I took him near the flock, he would run the other way. It finally got so dark that I had to go home. I did not sleep well that night and I prayed that the little lamb would be alright. That incident reminded me of just how much God loves us, (Psalm 42:8, John 3:16). God can see into the future and He knew and loved us before we were ever born, (Psalm 139:13, Jeremiah 1:5). He loves us and seeks us, (Luke 19:10, 2 Thessalonians 2:16) even if we chose not to love Him, (Ezekiel 34:11&12, Romans 5:8). I went back early the next morning and the little lamb was with his mother.

See you in Church next Sunday.

Brother J

<p><b>First Baptist Church</b> 901 Ave. D Rev. John Collis Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting - 6:30 p.m. Awanas: Wednesday - 5:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Ozona Church of Christ</b> 1002 11th St. Mr. Johnnie Perkins Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:00 p.m. Sun. Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.</p>	<p><b>Ozona United Methodist Church</b> 12 - 11th St. Rev. John Fluth Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 9 a.m. &amp; 11 a.m.</p>
<p><b>Templo Bautista Jerusalem</b> 138 Blas St. Rev. Esequiel Cervantez Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m, 6 p.m. Wednesday: 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Faith Lutheran Church</b> 802 1st St. Pastor Tom Baden Worship: Sunday - 7 p.m. Bible Class: Sunday - 6 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Templo Siloe Assembly of God Church</b> 2121 Santa Rosa St. Rev. Dan &amp; Ann Rios Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. Family Service: 6:30 p.m.</p>
<p><b>Iglesia Bautista Nueva Vida</b> Corner of Secretariat &amp; Man O' War Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. Service: 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Church of God of Prophecy</b> 102 Man O' War St. Pastor Mario De La Mora Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 4:30 p.m. Tues. &amp; Fri: 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Our Lady of Perpetual Help</b> 219 Martinez St. Fr. Rodney White Sun. Mass: 11 a.m. Sat.: 7 p.m. M. W. F. - 8:30 a.m. Thurs.: 7 p.m.</p>
<p><b>Calvary Baptist Church</b> 601 Ave. I Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Wed. &amp; Sun. Worship: 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Attend the Church of your choice this Sunday</b></p>	<p><b>Apostolic Church</b> 307 Santa Rosa St. Rev. Hector De La Cruz Sunday School: 3 p.m. Worship: 5 p.m. Thur. Service: 7:30 p.m.</p>
<p><b>New Beginnings Church</b> 701 9th Street Pastor Jesse Cardona Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Tuesday Worship: 7 p.m.</p>		<p><b>Iglesia de Cristo</b> Hwy 163 S. at Quail Run Interim - Ray Valadez Sunday Bible Study: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 6 p.m.</p>

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**COURT: Local boy Scout to fix handicap signs**  
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**LEAVES AND LIMBS**

Road Department Superintendent Eddie Moore said he is still working on the specifications for a tub grinder.

The tub grinder will be used to make compost from leaves and limbs collected at the recycling center. The compost will then be available for the public use.

Moore said the unit does create a lot of dust, which means the location at the recycling center does not look like an ideal site.

Unless the county has a Class IV Landfill or a composting site, then the county will have to haul the compost to the recycling center, Moore said. County Judge Fred Deaton said there is a small location south of town by the softball field.

"There are some things I'm learning about (a tub grinder) and we just have to look and see," Moore said. "At the most we would operate this once a week."

This is an alternative to having to obtain a Class IV Landfill Permit through the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

"I think that we can find a place for this in the county with everything being grind," Deaton said.

**COURTHOUSE RENOVATIONS**

A new speaker and com-



Photo by Melissa Perner

**OZONA BOY SCOUT JOSH SMITH** (left) presented his Eagle Scout project to the commissioners' court Monday during their meeting. Smith plans to paint and improve the handicap parking signs around Ozona.

munications system and more secure doors for the Crockett County Courthouse was approved with funds coming from the courthouse security fund.

The Texas Historical Commission has approved a new speaker system and doors for the courthouse.

Deaton said architect Henry Schmidt has started taking measurements and photographs of the building for renovations that need to be done.

**HOUSES DESIGNATED UNDER PUBLIC NUISANCE ABATEMENT**

During the meeting, the commissioners took action on houses designated under public nuisance abatement:

- The commissioners approved the property owned by

Francisco Cervantez at 204 14th St., east half of the west half of block 12 of Ozona to be turned over to the Crockett County Attorney's Office for prosecution under the Texas Health and Safety Code.

• The commissioners also asked for Rhonda Shaw, county tax-assessor collector, to pursue the sale of property previously owned by John Edwin July, lot 23 of Perez Addition.

A motion made by Commissioner Alfredo Tobar and seconded by Commissioner Frank Tambunga to clean up the July lot. However, since the commissioners asked Shaw to pursue to sell the property, the sale of the property may not cover the cleanup of the lot the motion failed 3-2.

Tobar and Tambunga voted for the motion and Commission-

ers Randy Branch, Pleas Childress and Deaton voted against the motion.

**EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT APPROVED**

The commissioners also approved an Eagle Scout project presented by Josh Smith.

Smith, a junior at Ozona High School, plans to paint and work on improving the handicapped parking signs around town.

Smith is seeking donations from community members and any materials the county can donate

**OTHER ITEMS APPROVED:**

- Reappointment of Steve Kenely as fire marshal.
- Corrections to personnel policy.

**Hannah Montana concert tickets to benefit Children's Miracle Network**

Two tickets for the Sunday, March 9, Hannah Montana performance at the Houston Stock Show and Rodeo will be auctioned off benefiting the Children's Miracle Network at Shannon Medical Center.

The online auction for tickets to the RodeoHouston performance of Miley Cyrus as Hannah Montana is underway and the winning bid will be announced March 1 during the KIXY Cares for Kids radiothon on 94.7FM.

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## Lions stomp Bucks for district win

By **MELISSA PERNER**  
Editor and Publisher

The Ozona Lions earned their fifth district win on Feb. 8 with a 54-38 victory over Alpine.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 7 7 17 23 - 54; Alpine - 7 11 11 10 - 38.

Scoring: Josh Santos 12, Steven Silva 14, Rylee Ramos 2,

Justin Maldonado 9, Mark Tambunga 2 and Matt Turland 15. Also playing: Josh Smith, Gilbert Gomez and Tommy Longoria.

"The boys played an outstanding game, even when we were down they remained cool and composed. When opportunity opened the door, we rain through it and never looked back," said Coach Hollis Moore.

The Lions lost to Reagan County 33-60 on Feb. 5.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 1 12 9 11 - 33; Reagan Co. - 14 13 9 26 - 60.

Scoring: Santos 7, Silva 6, Ramos 1, Maldonado 6, Tambunga 4 and Turland 9. Also playing: Smith, Gomez and Tommy Longoria.

The Lions are 18-8 overall and 5-4 in district play.

## JV Lions pounce Bucks, fall to Owls

By **MELISSA PERNER**  
Editor and Publisher

The JV Lions defeated Alpine, 51-48, on Feb. 8.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 13 12 13 13 - 51; Alpine - 17 12 14 5 - 48.

Scoring: Abey Lara 12; Kyle Sewell 10; Bailey Badillo 3; Russel Komechak 9; Jose Aguilar 17. Also playing: Richer Borrego and Eric Talamantez.

The Lions lost 54-78 to Reagan County on Feb. 5.

Score by quarters: Ozona

- 10 10 13 11 - 54; Reagan Co. - 24 17 14 24 - 78.

Scoring: Lara 14; Sewell 10; Badillo 2; Komechak 9; Borrego 3; Aguilar 10 and Talamantez 6. Also playing: Ruben Rivas.

## Lady Lions end season against Reagan County

By **MELISSA PERNER**  
Editor and Publisher

The Ozona Lady Lions finished the season with a 50-28 loss to Reagan County on Feb. 5.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 2 9 9 8 - 28; Reagan Co. - 11 15 9 13 - 50.

Scoring: Vanessa Rodriguez 10; Alysha Lara 4; Alexa Cervantez 4; Morgan Glosson 2; Melanie Miller 3; Cristi Rodriguez 2 and Celia Rivera 2. Also playing: Melissa Miller and Brandi Glosson.

"We played really well even in the loss. The kids never gave up and showed that we could

play with Reagan County if we will just get the turnovers under control," said Coach John Jackson. "Now it's time to get in the weight room and get stronger and more determined about coming out next year and showing everybody how well we can play. Thanks for everyone's support this year."



Photo by Joe Hernandez

THE EIGHTH GRADE LIONS ARE THE DISTRICT CHAMPIONS FOR 2007-2008. They pulled out a sizzling 27-23 victory over Reagan County on Feb. 7 to finish the season with a 11-2 record.

## Eighth Grade Lions finish as district champs

By **MELISSA PERNER**  
Editor and Publisher

The Eighth Grade Lions ended the season as district champions with a 27-23 victory over Reagan County on Feb. 7.

Scoring: Ozona - 6 6 4 11 - 27; Reagan Co. - 4 8 1 10 - 23.

Scoring: Mark Gallardo 6; Ruben Galindo 11; Andy Trevino 4; Alejandro Mendez 4 and Austin Perez 2. Also playing:

Kramer Hall, Steven Rubio, Luis Soto, Adreil Zamarripa, Kent Fluth and Marty Moran.

"This was an outstanding game that came down to the wire. We really had to pull out our bag of tricks at the end to hold on to the win. The guys played hard all night and were able to cause some turnovers when we need them and we were able to take care of the ball in the finale minutes," said

Coach John Esparza. "The was an awesome season for these young men. They put in countless hours of work and it paid off. They have a lot of heart and I could not be prouder of the way they played all season long. We would also like to thank the fans and families of the Eighth Grade Lions for all of their support."

The Lions finish 11-2 overall and 8-1 in district play.



Photo by Joe Hernandez  
ALEJANDRO MENDEZ takes a shot to score two points for the eighth grade Lions.



Photo by Joe Hernandez  
MARTY MORAN goes up for a layup in the seventh grade boys game.



Photo by Joe Hernandez  
RUBEN GALINDO stole the ball and scored two points for the eighth grade Lions

## Eighth Grade Lions 'B' Team stomp Owls

By **MELISSA PERNER**  
Editor and Publisher

The Eighth Grade Lions "B" team finished the season with an 18-3 victory on Feb. 7.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 10 8 - 18; Reagan Co. - 0 3 - 3.

Scoring: Mario Sifuentes 6; Javier Otamendi 2; Craig Fluth 6 and Erik Carrizales 4. Also playing: Brendan Perez, Hector Gonzales, Brandon Dominguez and Christian Perez.

"These young men played hard and have really come together as a team. They were able

to play some outstanding defense which led to fast break opportunities. All of their hard work is greatly appreciated, and we look forward to more good things out of them in the years to come," said Coach John Esparza.

The Lions finish at 4-2 overall and 4-0 in district play.

## Eighth Grade Lady Lions fall to Reagan Co.

By **MELISSA PERNER**  
Editor and Publisher

The Eighth Grade Lady Lions lost their final game, 20-25, to Reagan County on Feb. 7.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 4 4 10 2 - 20; Reagan Co. - 10 6 4 5 - 25.

Scoring: Alex Rodriguez 4; Natalie Hernandez 2; Adrienne Sanchez 8; Stacie Quiroz 4 and

Maria Villarreal 2. Also playing: Gaby Gutierrez, Nancy Rodriguez, Dalia Hernandez and Emalee Hamilton.

The Lady Lions finish the season 12-3.

## Seventh Grade Lady Lions lose to Lady Owls

By **MELISSA PERNER**  
Editor and Publisher

The Seventh Grade Lady Lions ended the season with a 14-19 loss to Reagan County.

Score by quarters: Ozona - 6 2 0 6 - 14; Reagan Co. - 8 0 4 7 - 19.

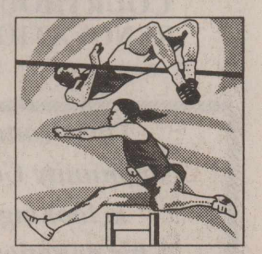
Scoring: Cynthia Garcia 4; Elisa Tambunga 4; Mayra Diaz 2 and Arleen Castillo 4. Also

playing: Myra Rios, Stephanie Cervantes, Tesla Caperton and Sierra Trevino.

The Lady Lions finished at 4-8 overall.

## Ozona High School Track & Field Schedule

Date	Site	Division
March 1	Ozona Relays	Girls, Varsity & JV Boys
March 8	Golden Crane Relays	Girls, Varsity & JV Boys
March 14	Cactus Relays - Iraan	Girls, Varsity & JV Boys
March 27	Owl Relays - Big Lake	Girls & JV Boys
March 28-29	San Angelo Relays	Varsity Boys
April 5	2-AA District @ Crane	Girls, Varsity & JV Boys



## Ozona High School Lion's Baseball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Feb. 16	Grape Creek-scrim.	Grape Creek	10:30 a.m.
Feb. 19	Eldorado	Ozona	6:00 p.m.
Feb. 21-22	Sonora Tourney	Sonora	TBA
Feb. 26	Rocksprings	Ozona	6:00 p.m.
Feb. 28-Mar. 1	Crane Tourney	Crane	TBA
March 4	Reagan County	Ozona	7:00 p.m.
March 6-7	Ozona Tourney	Ozona	TBA
March 11	Crane**	Ozona	7:00 p.m.
March 17	Alpine**	Ozona	7:00 p.m.
March 20	Van Horn**	Van Horn	7:00 p.m.
March 25	Kermit**	Kermit	7:00 p.m.
April 1	Reagan County**	Big Lake	7:00 p.m.
April 4	Crane**	Crane	7:00 p.m.
April 8	Alpine**	Alpine	7:00 p.m.
April 15	Van Horn**	Ozona	7:00 p.m.
April 18	Kermit**	Ozona	7:00 p.m.

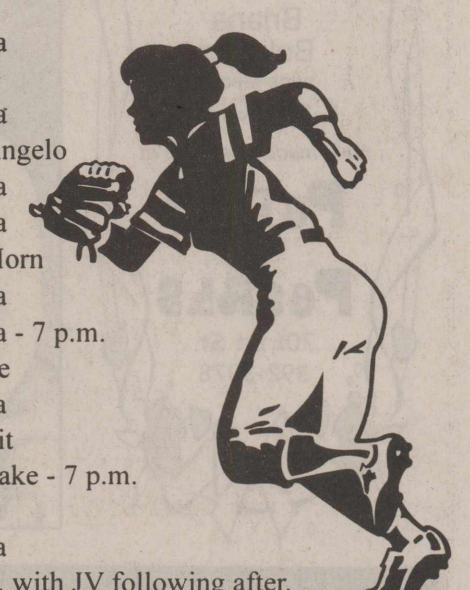
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## Ozona High School Girl's Softball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place
Feb. 19	Eldorado	Ozona
Feb. 21-23	Crane Tourney (Var. only)	Crane
Feb. 26	Cornerstone	Ozona
Feb. 28-Mar. 1	Angelo Tourney (Var. only)	San Angelo
March 11	Cornerstone	Ozona
March 14	Kermit**	Ozona
March 18	Van Horn**	Van Horn
March 25	Crane**	Ozona
March 29	Reagan Co.** (Var. only)	Ozona - 7 p.m.
April 1	Alpine**	Alpine
April 4	Van Horn**	Ozona
April 8	Kermit**	Kermit
April 12	Reagan Co.** (Var. only)	Big Lake - 7 p.m.
April 15	Crane**	Crane
April 19	Alpine**	Ozona

\*\*District Game - All games will start at 5:00 p.m. with JV following after.



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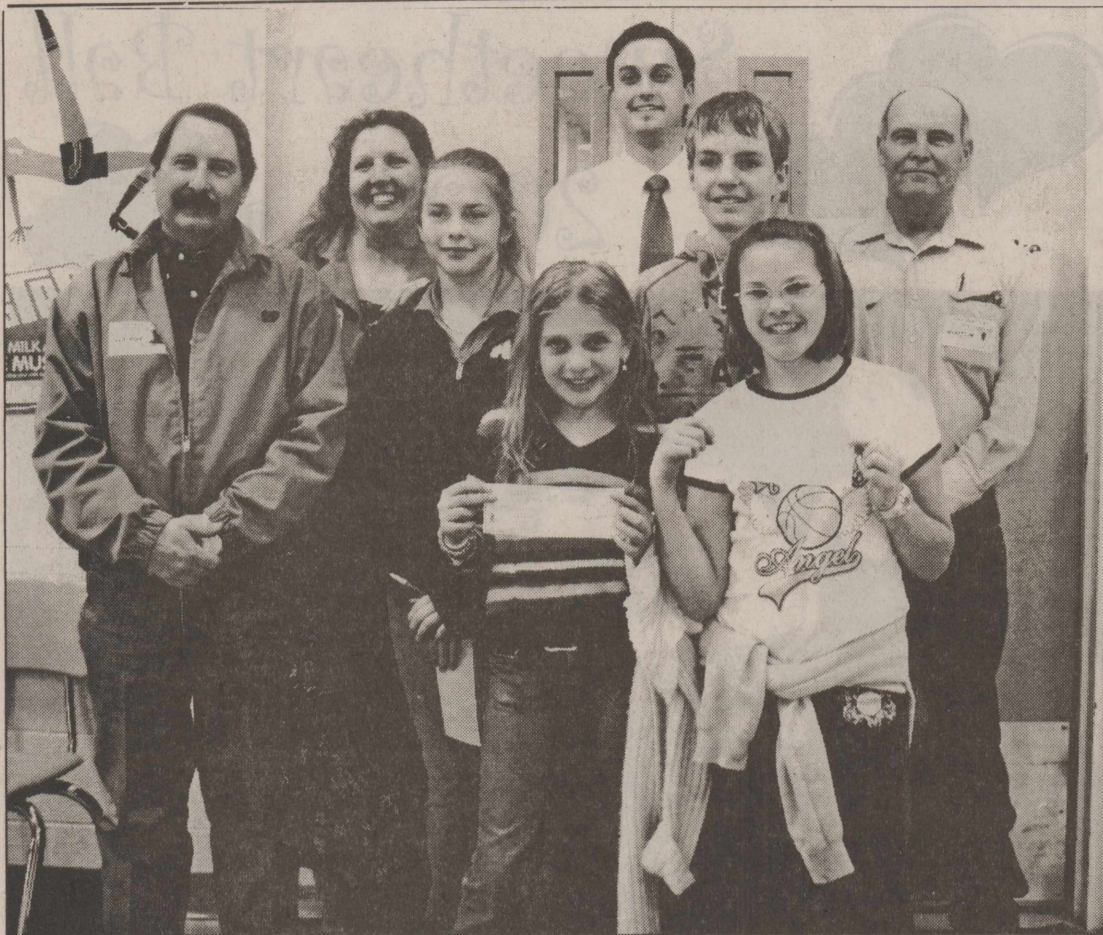


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**TEXAS CONSERVATION SOIL and WATER DISTRICT AWARDS** were presented last week at Ozona Middle School. Pictured are: (adults, left to right) Jack Baggett, soil and water district board member, Sharon Martin, soil and water district secretary, Clay Engdahl, Ozona National Bank, and Paul C. Perner III, soil and water district board member. Winners (back row, left to right) Tesla Caperton, first place essay, Cuatro Jones, second place essay, and Sierra Trevino (not pictured), third place essay; (front row, left to right) Abby Newton, first place poster, Michael Molina (not pictured), second place poster, and Jordyn Poindexter, third place poster.

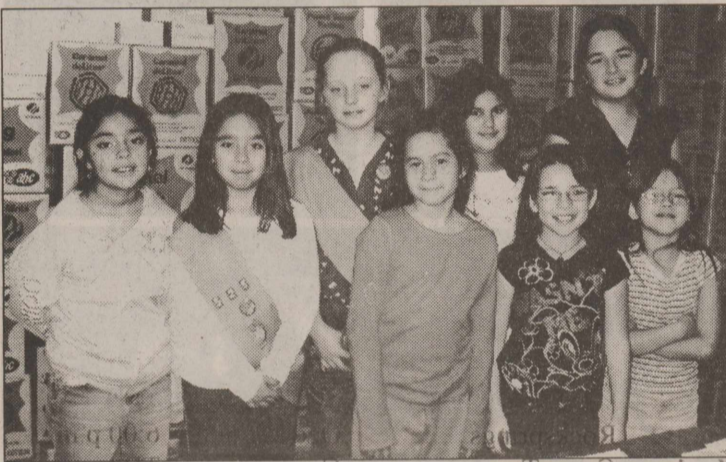
### Seventh Grade Lady Lions 'B' Team finish season

By **MELISSA PERNER**  
Editor and Publisher

Score by quarters: Ozona - 26 - 8; Reagan Co. - 08 - 8. The Lady Lions finish at 2-6-1.

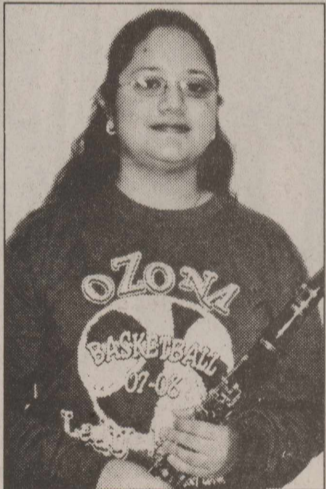
The Seventh Grade Lady Lions "B" Team lost in their final game, 6-8, to Reagan County on Feb. 7.

Scoring: Alex Lozano 4 and Trinity Collis 2. Also playing: Italy Villarreal, Jessica Borrego, Jaylynn Vargas, Jacinda Villar-



Submitted photo

**OZONA GIRL SCOUTS** will be selling cookies from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 16, at the town square and from noon-2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 17, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church.



**CONGRATULATIONS JULIE GUTIERREZ** on a first division "superior" rating at the UIL Region 6 Solo and Ensemble Contest in San Angelo on Feb. 9. She played her clarinet solo from memory and qualified for the state competition in San Marcos in May. We want to congratulate her on this achievement and thank her for her hard work.  
- Ozona Band Boosters

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3. Brandon Dominguez

#### Youth Center Calendar of Events

Feb. 18 - Youth Center Closed for Harlem Ambassadors Basketball Game  
Feb. 19 - OMS Food Night, 7-10 p.m.

Donations are currently being accepted for the Youth Center Scholarship Fund account at ONB

## Crockett County wool judgers bring home \$20,000 in scholarships



The 4-H wool judgers started their year off with a bang this year by attending the San Antonio Stock Show.

From a field of 29 teams consisting of 98 kids total, Laura Stapper and Kraig Chandler, placed 2nd and 3rd respectively as individuals, and each received

a \$10,000 scholarship. Along with fellow team members Lane White and Linda Stapper, they took 2nd in the team category.

Crockett county's 2nd team also performed well by placing 10th. Team members were Wilson White, Matthew Komechak, Erik Carrizales and Emalee

Hamilton.

Coaches Carlon and Ann Stapper would like to thank Israel and Claudia Carrizales for helping chaperone.

Anyone interested in joining the judging teams should come to practice on Wednesdays at 5:30 in the 4-H barn.



The subject of building a new jail has been an ongoing discussion involving the County Judge, County Commissioners and the Sheriff for some time now. Most of the questions recently posed have been discussed along with viable solutions.

#### Is It Cost Effective?

In less than a year, April 2007-January 2008, we have spent \$102,017.82 housing prisoners out of Crockett County. Our arrest rates rise every year. More prisoners equals more cost and the rates Upton and Reagan County charge us is sure to increase in the future as well.

#### Where would a jail be built and would land have to be purchased?

The land behind the current jail has been assessed by an architect to be suitable for the project being discussed. It is land the county already owns and it's proximity to the courthouse and annex is important

#### What size facility is being considered?

At my request, a needs assessment was conducted by the Texas Commission on Jail Standards. It was determined that a 48 bed jail would meet our needs for the next 20 years. The jail would be designed to allow for future expansion as well.

#### How much will it cost and how long will it take to pay for it?

Contractors must be approved by the Jail Commission and cost is based on the number of beds to be in the jail, in our case, 48. At present construction costs, it is projected to cost about \$4 million to build a new jail. Using funds within the county budget and holding a bond election have been discussed. Length of time to pay for a new jail would depend on which of these is chosen. These are decisions to be made by Commissioners Court.

#### How soon would construction begin?

No time table has been set. Whether to build a jail, who will build it, and how to manage the cost are currently in the planning stage only. No one is trying to rush into a project of this magnitude.

#### What are our options?

The only option we have is to house inmates out-of-county which is what we are currently doing. As set by the Jail Commission, we are only allowed to house 13 inmates locally. On average we run about 17-20 inmates over this amount. As a result, we must transport these inmates to Upton and Reagan County.

*Crockett County needs a Sheriff who has current knowledge of State Jail Commission Standards and requirements. We need a Sheriff who has working knowledge of a jail. I've been a Jailer, Deputy, and as Sheriff, a Jail Administrator. I have worked with the Jail Commission to ensure we can continue to operate our current jail, I have reported to the County Commissioners accurate facts and figures concerning the status and condition of the jail, and I will continue to work with them in whatever decision they make concerning the future of our jail.*

- Master Jailers Certification
- 12 years as a Jail Administrator
- 21 years working with the Crockett County Jail
- Established, working relationship with the Texas Jail Commission

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Early Voting Feb. 18-29  
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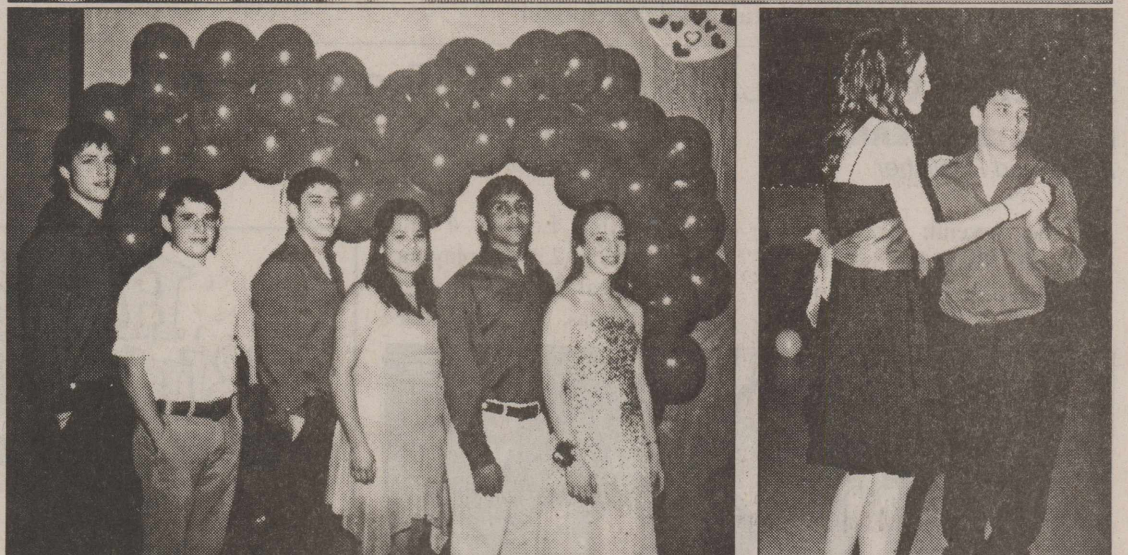
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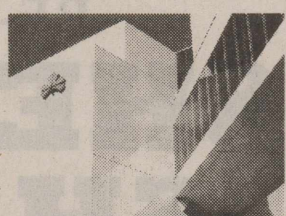
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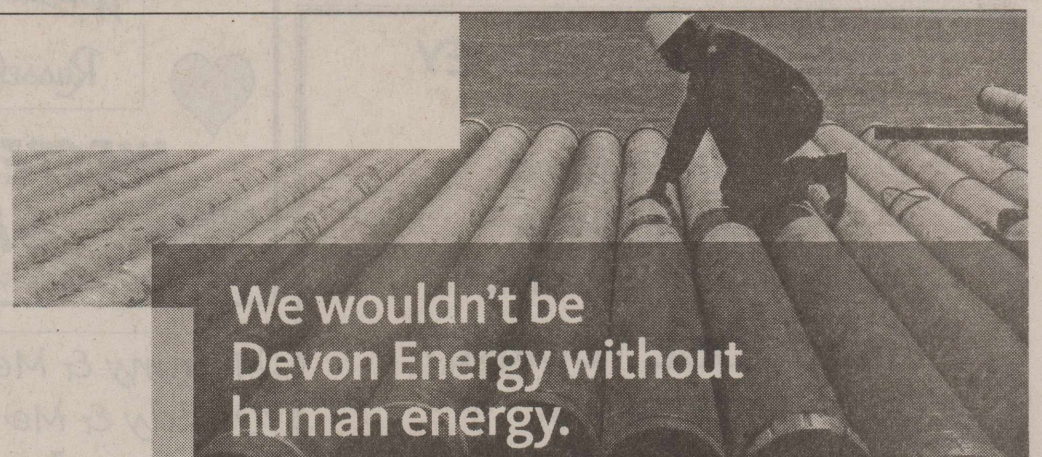
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# MEET THE CANDIDATES Q & A: Candidates running for Commissioner Precinct 3

## BRANCH: *from page 1*

Deer Fest, served on the Crockett County EMS and on the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department. My experience and training along with my service to these organizations qualify me to be re-elected as Crockett County Commissioner.

### WHAT ARE THREE THINGS YOU WOULD LIKE TO ACCOMPLISH IF ELECTED?

1) I would like to see our county courthouse renovation project through to the end and continue to negotiate with the Texas Historical Commission on this issue. Let's keep the ownership of our courthouse in Crockett County! I would like to recognize and thank Dwight Childress for all of his help on this matter.

2) We currently have two working grants on our airport, which will greatly improve visibility to our community. I would like to continue overseeing the airport renovations and the installation of an "Automated Weather Observation System," which will help make Ozona

more attractive to new commerce.

3) I would like to see the county maintain a six-month operations fund balance while providing the best road system and emergency and health services system possible. A six-month reserve fund would allow the county the time to make adjustments if and when our oil and gas industry revenue takes a downward turn. Oil and gas generates approximately 94 percent of our current tax base.

### WHAT IS LIKELY THE MOST SIGNIFICANT ISSUE FACING YOUR OFFICE IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS AND WHY?

A few of the duties of the commissioners' court are to ensure that we are provided the best emergency medical and health services, and fire department services. I believe that while working closely with the qualified leaders of these segments of our county, we have developed services that we can truly be proud of and that we can count on.

Our jail is another challenge that we are facing. Our present facility is old and outdated causing the Texas Jail Commission to look at Crockett County closely. I believe that in the next few years we will be forced to deal with this issue, either by adding on to the existing jail and renovations, building a totally new facility or housing out our inmates. I look forward to the upcoming challenges we will certainly face with this issue.

### ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO VOTERS:

I would like to urge all of the voters to go to the polls and vote. Our service men and women have made this possible through their efforts to keep us a free nation, so please take advantage of this right. I urge you to look at the candidates and issues closely. My experience and service to our community speaks for itself. I would appreciate your vote on March 4 and the opportunity to continue serving our community as Crockett County Commissioner Precinct 3.

## BEAN: *from page 1*

Another issue I would like to address is the possibilities of different ways to make high traffic areas in the precinct less of a hazard for the children of Crockett County as well as the adults.

I would also like to address the possibility of improving the maintenance of streets that citizens have to drive down to gain access to their property that are currently being maintained poorly; along with improving the appearance of our precinct as

a whole.

### WHAT IS LIKELY THE MOST SIGNIFICANT ISSUE FACING YOUR OFFICE IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS AND WHY?

I'm concerned about the industries that support our community; such as oil and gas and the ranching industries. With the pending presidential election, I feel that these industries might suffer, which would affect our

tax revenue. We have to be prepared for whatever change may come and plan accordingly.

### ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO VOTERS:

I appreciate all the voters that I have talked to. I have listened to their concerns and will, if elected, do my best to address those concerns and work toward the best decisions I can make for their benefit. Your consideration and support is greatly appreciated.

**Early Voting: Feb. 19-Feb. 29**

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**Primary Election Date: March 4**

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# Crockett County Sheriff's Report

## CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS REPORT

TYPE OF CALLS	# OF CALLS
Animal control, Livestock Complaints	11
Civil Complaints	1
Civil Service	06
Courtesy Transports	3
Criminal Complaints, Disturbances, Etc.	19
Gas Thefts	1
Juvenile Complaints	3
Locked Vehicles	9
911 Fire Calls, Admin. Calls	7
911 Vehicle Accidents	1
911 Medical calls/ Transfers	3
Motorist Assistance/Gas Welfare	6
Security Alarms	2
Assist other Law or county Agencies	1
Sheriff's Office Admin Calls	25
Jail/dispatch Admin Calls	8
Suspicious Persons/Vehicle/Activity	3
Utility Services/complaints	3
Minor Vehicle Accidents with no injuries	2
Traffic Citations Issued	16
Prisoners Currently in custody/Ozona	8
Prisoners Housed in other counties	14

## 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.

- Blas Ramos Jr., Crockett County J.P. warrant - no drivers' license and restrained child.
- Gilberto Montelongo Mata, Crockett County J.P. warrant - minor in consumption of alcohol.
- John Mansell Clark, of Ozona - Crockett County Court unlawful restrained of a minor after indictment.
- Kindal De Hoyos Porras, of Ozona/San Angelo - Crockett County Justice of the Peace - capias pro-fine on four unresolved traffic offenses.
- Manuel Ruben Beseril Jr., of Odessa - Crockett County Justice of the Peace warrants for three criminal and traffic offenses.

**ARREST REPORT**  
**2-5-08**  
 • Roland Dee Flanagan, 48, of Ozona, arrested by sheriff's deputy with a grand jury indictment and warrant for aggravated sexual assault of a child. He remains in custody.  
 • Molly Ann Munoz, 34, of Ozona, arrested by sheriff's deputy with warrant of motion to revoke/driving while intoxicated. She remains in custody.  
 • Alfredo M. Tobar, 50, of Ozona, arrested by sheriff's deputy with grand jury indictment and capias of retaliation. He

posted bond and was released.

**2-6-08**  
 • Eric Augustine Williams, 20, of Ozona, arrested by sheriff's deputy with warrant of evading arrest. He posted bail and was released.

**2-7-08**  
 • Deborah Galvan Tambunga, 47, of Ozona, arrested by sheriff's deputy with warrant of theft by check. She posted bail and was released.

• Terry Dean Cox, 52, of Andrews, Texas, arrested by DPS Trooper for driving while license invalid. He posted bail and was released.

• Penny Lee Ramirez, 32, of Ozona, arrested by sheriff's deputy with a Midland County warrant of theft by check. She posted bail and was released.

**2-11-08**  
 • Erin Gardner Walker, 24, of Odessa, Texas, transferred from Ector County by sheriff's deputy with warrant of motion to revoke/possession of dangerous drugs. She remains in custody pending bail/trial.

## INCIDENT REPORTS

**2-5-08**  
 • Local citizen filed a criminal mischief report - unknown person(s) vandalized a vehicle during basketball game. Investigation continues

**2-10-08**  
 • Local citizen on Fairway Drive filed an assault report - known person assaulted victim while at a public place on Taylor Box Road. Investigation continues.

## Friends For Hope Feb. 20 in Ozona

Friends For Hope Inc. will be stopping in Ozona Feb. 20 to offer their services and seek volunteers.

They will be available from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Ozona United Methodist Church.

Friends For Hope Inc. is a non-profit organization that assists in helping domestic violence and sexual assault victims.

They provide many services to help clients in becoming survivors. Some of these services are a 24-hour hotline, accompaniment for victims to appointments,

emergency shelter, counseling services, support groups for children and adults, public awareness and education, teen and children programs, programs for school and civic organizations, legal advocacy and an exchange center and supervised visitation.

The organization is currently looking for volunteers in Ozona who would be willing to be an advocate for Friends For Hope Inc.

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# Local EMS runs

**FEBRUARY 4**

• Local Run Transported patient to Family Health Clinic.

**FEBRUARY 6**

• Transfer Transported patient to Shannon Medical Center.

**FEBRUARY 9**

• Transfer Transported patient to Shannon Medical Center.

• Local Run Transported

patient to Family Health Clinic.

• No Transport three patients no transport.

**FEBRUARY 10**

• Local Run Transported patient to Family Health Clinic.

• Local Run Transported patient to Family Health Clinic.

• No Transport one patient no transport.

# Fire department runs

**FEBRUARY 5**

• 9:26 a.m. - Grass fire on County Road 204 caused by a down power line. Two units and five fire fighters.

• 1:20 p.m. - Grass fire at the center median of mile-marker 335 on I-10. One unit with three fire fighters.

**FEBRUARY 6**  
 • 4:53 p.m. - Grass fire center median at mile-marker 356 on I-10. Two units and three fire fighters.

**FEBRUARY 7**  
 • 3:24 p.m. - Small grass fire on Avenue G, out on arriv-

al. A unit with six fire fighters.

• 8:54 p.m. - Grass fire on I-10 at mile-marker 369 started by a down power line. Five units with 10 fire fighters.

**FEBRUARY 9**  
 • 4:58 a.m. - Two vehicles and a grass fire on Owens Street. Four units and 10 fire fighters.

• 4:24 p.m. - Car fire I-10 at mile-marker 358 westbound. Four units and 11 fire fighters.

**FEBRUARY 10**  
 • 5 p.m. - Motor Vehicle Accident I-10 at mile-marker 331, cancel will in route. A unit with five fire fighters.

# Grand Jury hands up indictments

The following is a list of indictments handed up by a Crockett County Grand Jury on Jan. 31:

• Juan B. Villarreal, 40, Ozona, two counts of third-degree felony driving while intoxicated.

• Javier Castellanos Perez, 32, Ozona, third-degree felony of assault against a public servant.

• Julian Palacio Cruz, 22, second-degree felony of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

• Raymond B. Villarreal, 38, Ozona, two counts of second-degree felony assault on a family member.

• Thomas Raleigh Conner, 29, Ozona, state jail felony evading arrest or detention with a vehicle.

• Robert Dean Charlton, 32, Helotes, Texas, state jail felony possession of a controlled substance.

• Noe Valencia Perez, 29, Ozona, third-degree felony of assault on a family member.

• Jason Dimas Rodriguez, 24, Sheffield, second-degree felony for failure to report as a registered sex offender.

• Wesley Greer Dayton, 36, Bridge City, Texas, state jail felony for possession of a controlled substance.

• Rogelio Sanchez, 23, Ozona, first-degree felony of burglary of a habitation with in-

tent to commit sexual assault.

• Roland Lee Flanagan, 48, Ozona, first-degree felony of aggravated sexual assault of a child.

Following is a glossary of legal terms in the records.

**Indictment:** To bring an indictment the Grand Jury will not find guilt, but only the probability that a crime was committed, that the accused person did it and that he/she should be tried.

- Source: Black's Law Dictionary

**Punishments:** State Jail Felony - shall be punished by confinement in a state jail for any term of not more than two years or less than 180 days and a fine not to exceed \$10,000.

Third-degree Felony - shall be punished by imprisonment in the institutional division for any term of not more than 10 years or less than 2 years and a fine not to exceed \$10,000.

Second-degree Felony - shall be punished by imprisonment in the institutional division for any term of not more than 20 years or less than 2 years and a fine not to exceed \$10,000.

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- Source: Texas Penal Code

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#1 spring lambs 70-90 lbs.	95-1.25
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Thin ewes	12-28
Bucks	28-40
Baby Tooth Ewes	60-72
Solid Mouth Ewes	37-48
Ewe & Lamb Pairs	\$33.50 few offered
Baby Tooth Angora Stocker nannies	45-52
Stocker Angora Muttons	50-70
Angora Kids	80-1.29
Angora Kids-shorn	1.05-1.14
Weighing Angoras-shorn (thin)	10-30
Weighing Angoras-shorn (fat) nannies	40-56
Stocker Spanish nannies	55-74
Fat Spanish nannies	37-60
Fat Spanish muttons	90-1.26
Fat Spanish billies	78-1.25
Fat yearlings	1.05-1.15
Fat Spanish kids	1.10-1.47
Small kids	1.15-1.58
Thin kids	92-1.05

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Harrison Interest	18500	John W Henderson III J.-#70	Heart Land Drilling 8	W.O.O. 8950'
Encore Operating Lp	9400	J L Henderson Jr. A.-#9-20	Nabors Drilling (O) 709	Assigned
New Andarko E & P Co Lp	9400	McVullan-B-#13	Patterson Drilling A 38	Drig Ahead
Approach Operating	9000	University 42-15-#1	Nabors Drilling (O) 353	Drig Ahead
New Approach Operating	9000	J R Bailey Estate-B-#434	Patterson Drilling A 710	Drig Ahead
New Highmount E&P Tx	8950	University 56-18-#5	Patterson Drilling A 742	Drig Ahead
New Ego Resources/Mid	6000	Shannon Hospital-#4-#1	O'Ryan Drilling LLC A	Drig Ahead 580'
New Film Natural Res	5500	Baggett-A-#1-165a	Patterson Drilling A 721	Drig Ahead 6693'
Sigma Energy&Exp Co	2000	Sigma Meadows #10	Hope Drilling 1	At T.D.

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
New Highmount E&P Tx	10750	Thorp-10-#2	Patterson Drilling A 39	Drig Ahead
Highmount E&P Tx	9250	Ward-114-#24	Patterson Drilling A 105	Drig Ahead
Highmount E&P Tx	9250	Duke Wilson #189-19	Patterson Drilling A 120	Drig Ahead
Highmount E&P Tx	8600	Richardson-6-#9	Helmerich & Payne S 302	Drig Ahead
New Highmount E&P Tx	8250	Diebitsch-70-#14	Helmerich & Payne S 301	Drig Ahead
New Highmount E&P Tx	7250	Kelly-125-#28	Helmerich & Payne S 303	Drig Ahead
New Highmount E&P Tx	7250	Canon Ranch-207-#21s	Helmerich & Payne S 305	Drig Ahead
New Highmount E&P Tx	7250	Kelly-125-#29	Patterson Drilling A 40	Drig Ahead
New Highmount E&P Tx	6850	H C Epps-49-#6	Helmerich & Payne S 304	Drig Ahead

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Wig Exploration	11000	Rocker-822-#1	Robinson Drilling 10	Drig Ahead 9665'
New Mariner Energy	10000	Sau Mariner 32-1a #1c	Big Dog Drilling 5	Drig Ahead 6968'
Mariner Energy	10000	Scan-178-#1	Big Dog Drilling 9	Drig Ahead 8992'
New Mariner Energy	9800	North Siles Spraberry Unit	J B Hunt Gas & Oil 3	Drig Ahead 6701'
New Pioneer Natural Tr	9650	University 58-28-#5	Patterson U/L Midland 76	Drig Ahead
New Prime Operating/Mid	9000	Charles Hughes-21-#3	Adobe Drilling Marik	Drig Ahead 1975'
New Broad Oak Energy, Inc	9000	Sugg-A-#185g	Union Drilling Texas 210	Drig Ahead 6693'

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Consochilips/Odessa	12700	Alex Mitchell-1-#11	Helmerich & Payne S 214	Drig Ahead
Encore Operating Lp	12600	Banner Estate 449 H	Nabors Drilling (O) 641	Drig Ahead
Encore Operating Lp	6000	Banner Estate 481	Nabors Drilling (O) 709	Drig Ahead

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## Public Notices

**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS**  
Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read. CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S) Dist/Div: Odessa Contract 6169-56-001 for PICNIC AREA MAINTENANCE in PECOS County will be opened on March 10, 2008 at 2:00 pm at the District Office for an estimate of \$54,408.40. Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at [www.dot.state.tx.us](http://www.dot.state.tx.us) and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor. NPO: 26053 State Office Constr./Maint. Division 200 E. Riverside Dr. Austin, Texas 78704 Phone: 512-416-2540 Dist/Div Office(s) Odessa District District Engineer 3901 E. U.S. Hwy 80 Odessa, Texas 79761 Phone: 432-332-0501 Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

**NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION PRIMARIA)**  
To the registered voters of the County of Crockett, Texas (A los votantes registrados del Condado de Crockett, Texas): Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., March 4, 2008 for voting in the Democratic Primary Election. (El aviso se da por este medio que los lugares de la interrogación enumerados abajo estarán abiertos de 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m., 4 de Marzo de 2008 para votar en la elección primaria democrática.)  
LOCATIONS OF POLLING PLACES  
PRECINCT ONE - CROCKETT COUNTY COURTHOUSE (PRECINCTO UNO - CASA DEL CORTE DEL CONDADO DE CROCKETT)  
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Debbie Puckett, PO Drawer C Ozona, Texas 76943  
Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on February 26, 2008. (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran adelantada por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el 26 de Febrero, 2008)  
Issued this the 11th day of February, 2008 (Emitida este día 11th de Febrero, 2008).  
Fred Deaton, County Judge Crockett County.

**NOTICE OF REWARD I AM OFFERING \$500 REWARD** for apprehension and conviction of guilty parties to every theft of livestock in Crockett County - except that no officer of Crockett County may claim the reward.  
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## ORDER RESTRICTING OUTDOOR BURNING

The Commissioners' Court finds that circumstances present in all or part of the unincorporated area of the county create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** by the Commissioners' Court of Crockett County, Texas, that outdoor burning is restricted in Crockett County for 30 days from the date of adoption of this Order, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by the Texas Forest Service or this Court. This Order is adopted pursuant to Local Government Code 352.081, and other applicable statutes. This Order does NOT prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Natural Resources Commission for: (1) firefighter training; (2) public utility, natural gas pipeline or mining operations; (3) planting or harvesting of agricultural crops; or (4) burns that are conducted by an approved Prescribed Burning Association, National Resource Conservation Service, the and/or Texas A&M Agricultural Experiment Station, or prescribed burn manager certified under Section 153.048, Natural Resources Code, and meet the standards of Section 153.047, Natural Resources Code.

All burns shall be reported to the Crockett County Sheriff's Office (325) 392-2661 and the Fire Chief (325) 392-2626 prior to commencing, together with the name of the landowner, location involved and expert to be on hand.

This Order does NOT prohibit outdoor cooking in a properly contained area which is attended at all times.

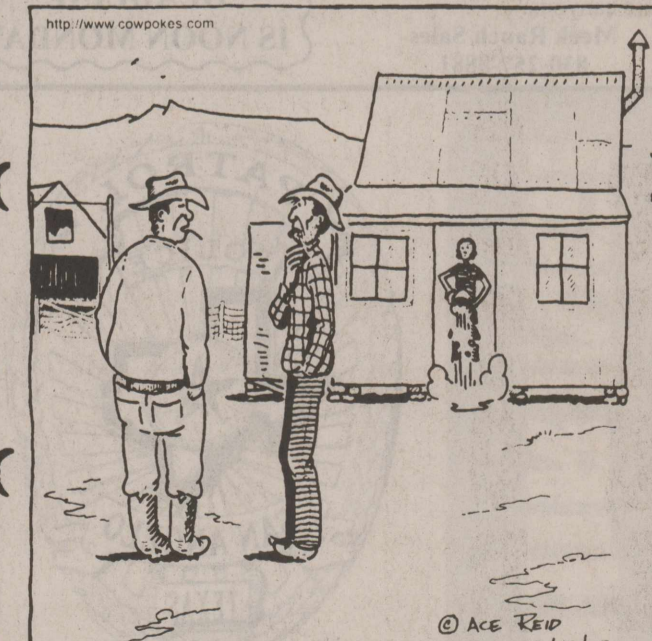
In accordance with the Local Government Code 352.081(h), a violation of this Order is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.

ADOPTED this the 11th day of February, 2008.

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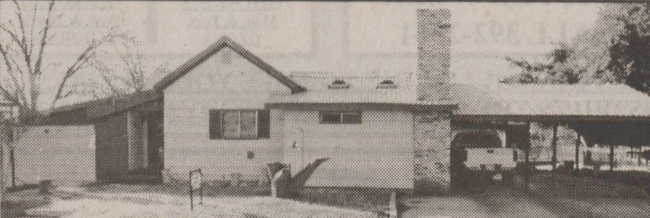
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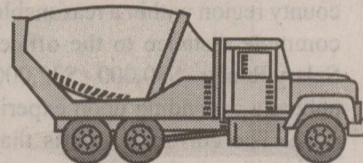
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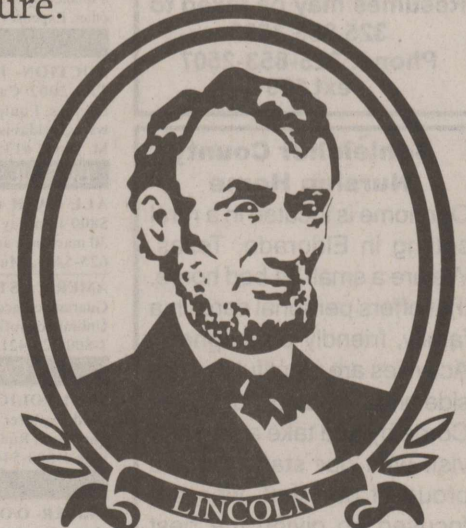
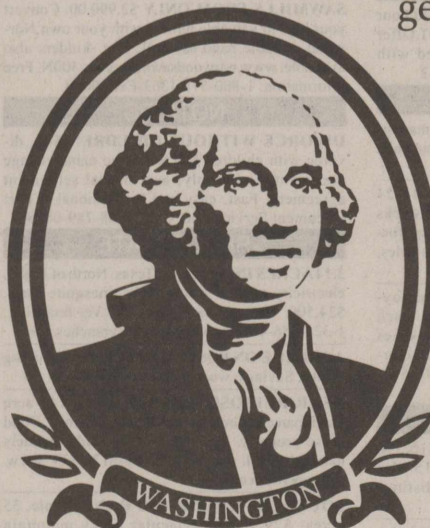
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