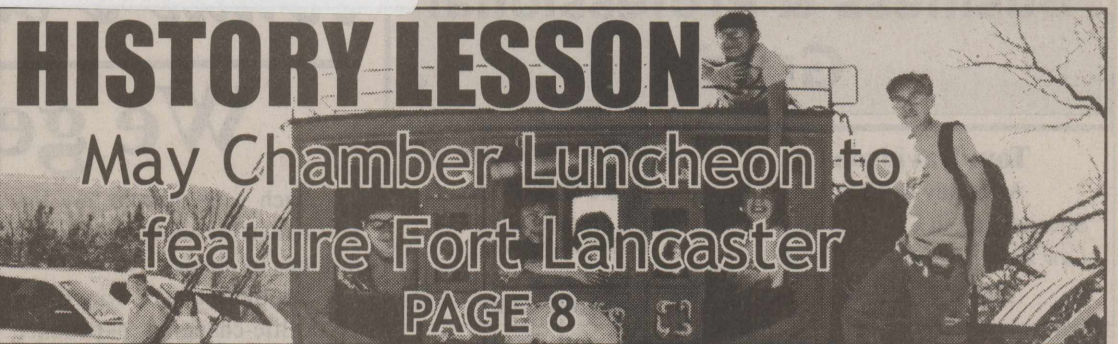


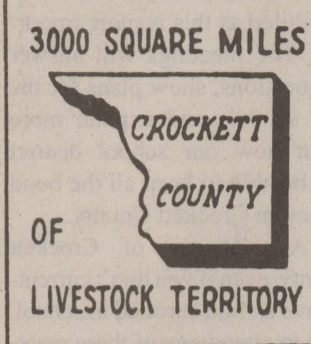
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## School district would keep all funds if \$10 million bond passes

By MELISSA PERNER  
 Editor and Publisher

In order for Crockett County CCSD to have enough money to build a new elementary school, a bond must be passed.

If passed, then that \$10 million will stay in Crockett County and not be sent out to other schools like the district's current budget.

During the first school bond public meeting Monday night at the Ozona Primary School, Superintendent Abe Gott showed how in 2006-2007 CCCCSD received \$29 million in taxpayer money.

Out of that \$29 million, the school district was only able to keep \$9 million. The other \$20 million was sent to the state to be used by other school districts that are not classified as "property-rich" school districts like CCCCSD.

However, if the \$10 million bond passes on May 10, all of that money will stay in Crockett County and not be sent out to other districts.

"If we tried to build without a bond, this would not be feasible,"

Gott said. "We only get to keep 30 cents of every taxpayer dollar."

If the bond passes, the school district's tax rate would only increase by 16 cents, Gott said.

Currently the tax rate is \$1.04, the lowest it has been since the 2005-2006 school year.

With a bond, the rate would increase to \$1.20. For a person owning a \$50,000 house the amount of annual tax rate impact would \$40 more a year for five years.

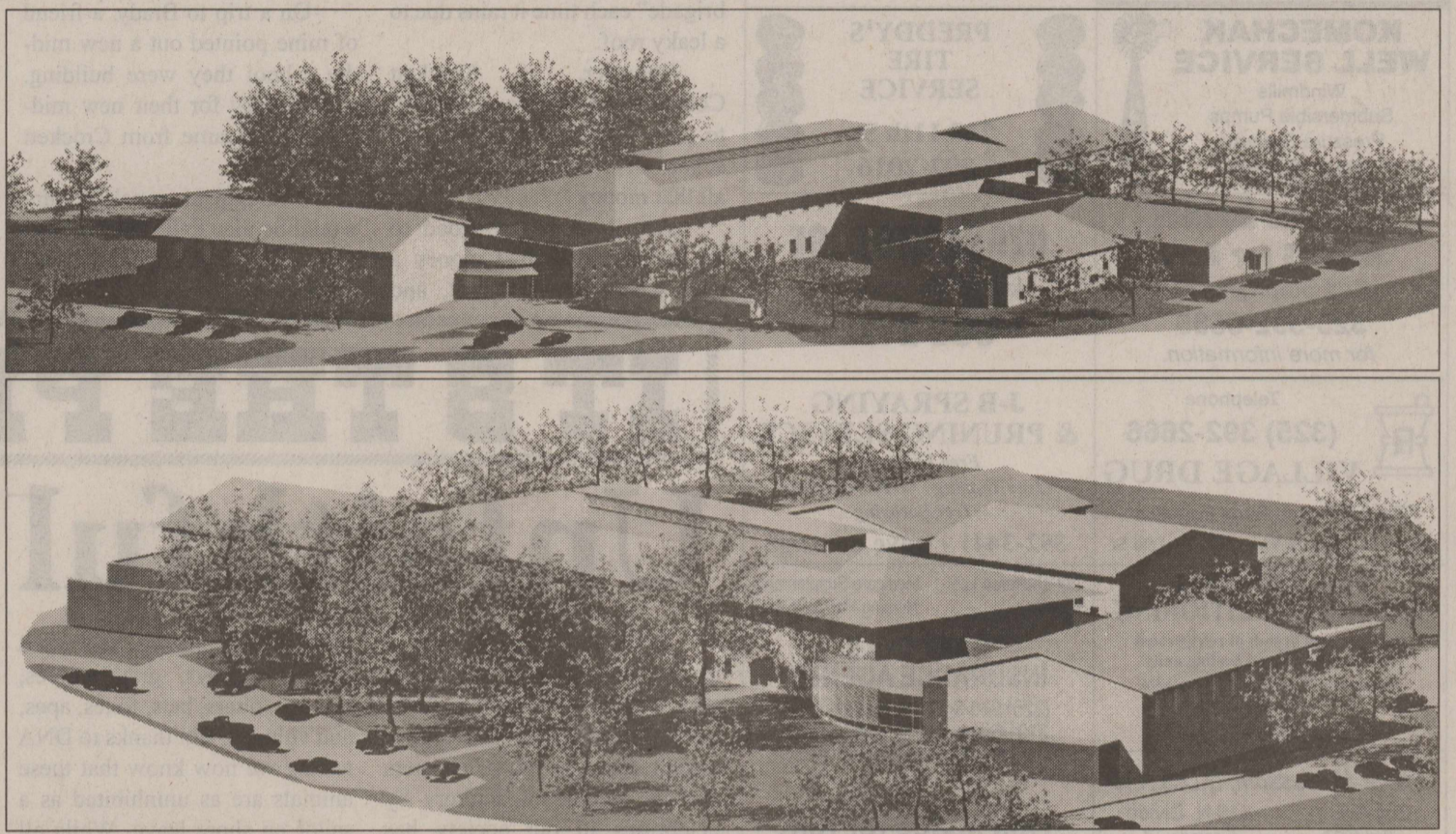
Gott said the district is positive they can pay off the bond in five years.

If the bond doesn't pass, Gott said the district is planning on continuing to move from a four campus to a three campus district, but that a new plan will have to be formed with school board and him.

The intermediate school would remain open until a new plan is formed, Gott said.

"Right now, we're focusing on trying to get this bond passed," said Laurie Hale, vice president of the school board.

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A NEW PRE-K THROUGH FIFTH GRADE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL: the top drawing shows what the new school would look like from the northwest, or front, view. The entrance is the glassed, round area in the corner. The bottom drawing shows the northeast, or back part of the school. The glassed in area is the library. The building is two-story with third through fifth grades on the second level, and Pre-K through second grades on the bottom level. The current gymnasium would become a Cafetorium with a stage, and the main cafeteria would be housed in the new school. A new gymnasium would be built with the school. If the \$10 million bond passes on May 10, the projected goal for the new school is to be complete by fall 2009.

Architect drawings by douglasKarchitecture

## 'HE WAS THE BEST'

### Crockett County says goodbye to Fred Fierro

"Tio Fred"

When I remember you I picture your smile. It made a bad day go good for miles.

You brought the family together, that's something we will cherish forever.

You made us laugh until we cried, it's so hard to believe you died.

All we can do is sigh and ask why. You were the only one, who would walk a thousand miles to see us. You would do it just because.

You will forever be in our hearts, you always were from the start.

You always came for Thanksgiving and Christmas, those are memories I will miss. You were a hunting buddy, tio, brother, and friend.

You always will be until the end. In my head I still hear your joyful voice yell 'Oh Sheebie!'

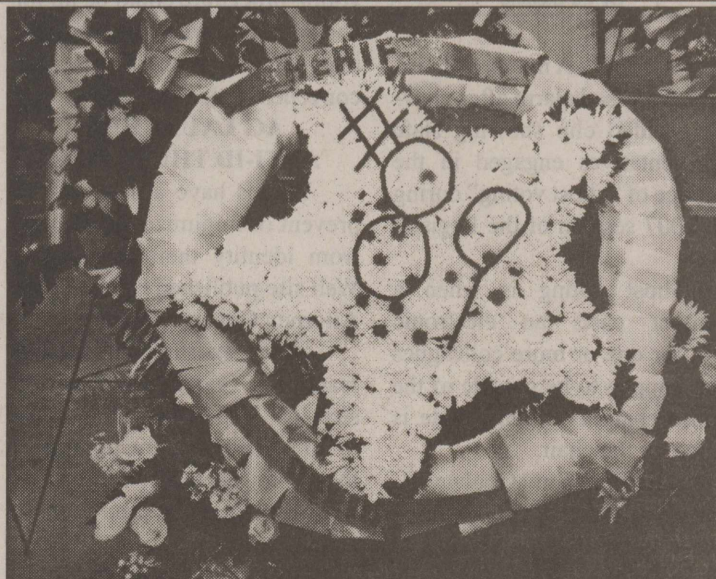
I would do anything to have you with me. Now that we have to say goodbye, it feels all we do is mourn and cry. I know if you were here you wouldn't want to see us like this, but it's hard because all we can do is miss. The family will always remember you. Not just family, Ozona will too. You touched our hearts in many ways. We will remember this for days.

In loving memory of Fred Fierro.  
 Love, Gaby Coy-Galindo



Photos by Joe Hernandez

TOP: A MEMBER OF THE SAN ANGELO POLICE DEPARTMENT HONORGUARD leads the pallbearers carrying the casket of Chief Deputy Fred Fierro out of the Fair Park Convention Center as members of the Crockett County Sheriff's Office and other local and area law enforcement salute. Fierro was laid to rest on April 2 in Lima Cemetery after a funeral mass. RIGHT: FLOWERS containing Fierro's call number were part of the many arrangements that surrounded the stage at the Convention Center.



laugh, Fierro touched the lives of nearly everyone in Crockett County and throughout Texas. During a funeral mass on April 2, the people of Crockett

County and area communities packed the Fair Park Convention Center to say goodbye to Fierro and thank him for all that he did when he was here on

Earth. Fierro died on March 28. "Fred was one of the finest people I've had the distinct pleasure of getting to know and

Please see FIERRO page 8

## TRACK, TENNIS REGIONAL QUALIFIERS



Photos by Joe Hernandez

MEMBERS OF THE OHS TRACK AND TENNIS TEAMS advanced to the regional meet this past weekend. TOP: Advancing in track are (top row, left to right) Felix Venegas, Mark Tambunga, Matias Gandar and Steven Silva. Second row: (left to right) Markus Galindo, Rebecca Ramos, Brandon Tebbets, Vanessa Rodriguez, Ethan English and Matthew Komechak. Front row: (left to right) Ruben Rivas, Alexa Cervantez, Chelsea Moore and Melanie Miller. RIGHT: Julia Henderson qualified in girls' singles in tennis. For results see pages 6-7.



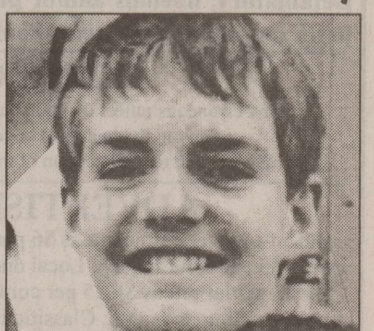
## Local student to be honored for outstanding conservation essay

Martin (Cuatro) B. Jones will be honored for outstanding contributions to the Texas Soil and Water Conservation program at a Conservation Awards Banquet for Area II on May 6.

The banquet will be at 7 p.m. at St. Ambrose Catholic Church in Wall.

Jones is being honored for his first place win in the Soil and Water Conservation Essay Contest.

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## What's on My Mind by Melissa Perner

### We get to keep all the money

Each week people buy lottery tickets in hopes of winning millions of dollars.

For those that do win, it can be a life-changing experience but before a person can collect those winnings the IRS has to take its share first.

Each year the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District receives money from our local tax dollars.

Each year the district is also forced to send 70 percent of that tax money to other school districts.

In those other school districts, new schools, new stadiums, new facilities are being built with Crockett County's money, while our primary school students are forced into "bucket brigade" each time it rains due to a leaky roof.

However, if Crockett County Voters decide on May 10 to pass a \$10 million bond, the school district will get to keep all that money.

Yes, it seems too good to be true but with that money a new school can be built, and

all the money stays in Crockett County.

In 2006-2007, the school district collected \$29 million in county taxes.

The district was only allowed to keep \$9 million of that money. That's right, \$20 million went out of our county and into the hands of someone else.

Coming from a poor school district growing up, I saw the other side of this.

Yes, it was nice to get new tennis courts and a new field house at our high school in Seagraves, at the same time when we would travel down the road to Denver City we would wonder why their schools were not "up-to-date." It was because we had their money.

On a trip to Brady, a friend of mine pointed out a new middle school they were building. That money for their new middle school came from Crockett County.

I thought to myself, it sure would be nice to be able to keep that money and fix up our own schools.

I understand not all school districts are property-rich districts like ours, but until there is a better plan voted on in the state legislature this is what we are stuck with.

We are stuck with the inability to be able to update our own facilities.

If our school district were to try and pay for a new school without a bond, it would cost three times as much.

As taxpayers, we only keep 30 cents of every dollar in our school district. With a budget of \$9 million, our district has to pay salaries, maintain four campuses, 35 school houses and educate 767 children.

That money gets stretched. The school district's current tax rate is \$1.04. If the bond passes it would raise to \$1.20.

For a person who owns a home valued at \$50,000 their taxes would increase \$40 per year, but that would only be for five years as the school district plans on paying off the bond in five years.

I encourage all citizens in Crockett County to attend one of the five bond public meetings.

No matter what you previously had scheduled for that night or afternoon, it can be rescheduled as this is more important. The meetings will answer all questions, show plans for the new schools and explain more about how our school district will be able to keep all the bond money in Crockett County.

All citizens of Crockett County, even if you don't currently have a child enrolled in school, need to attend one of these meetings before voting on May 10.

I also encourage all school board members to educate their fellow citizens on the importance of being able to keep the bond money.

Even lottery winners don't get to keep all their money.

With a bond, Crockett County Schools will be able to upgrade their facilities and all the money will stay here.

Educate yourself, attend the meetings before you cast your vote.

## IT'S THE PITTS BY LEE PITTS

# Unfaithful

Every day there's news of another celebrity or politician who was caught being unfaithful to his or her mate. We have turned into a nation of cheaters and the degree of adultery by celebrities in our society has reached such lofty levels that the wedding vows have now been changed-to. "Do you take this woman to be your first wife?"

Monogamy seems to be as out of date these days as a ten year old computer. As a student of current events AND animal science I began wondering if homo sapiens cheated on their spouses more, or less, than other members of the animal kingdom.

It turns out that only 3% of the roughly 4,000 mammal species are monogamous. It goes without saying that men are NOT included in this 3%. For years I was under the mistaken impression that some animals and birds mated for life. These paragons of virtue included termites, coyotes, barn owls, beavers, bald eagles, condors, swans, san-

dhill cranes, pigeons, red tailed hawks, ospreys, gray wolves, beavers, otters, bats, foxes, apes, and vultures. But thanks to DNA testing we now know that these animals are as uninhibited as a sailor on shore leave. While all of them shack up with a mate, the wolves, coyotes and apes all cheat on that mate. It turns out

that sexual fidelity is as rare in nature as it is in Congress or Hollywood.

These animals that have been held up as sterling examples of virtue have as many morals as a can of Spaghettios. They are no better than most people and may be far worse. Studies have shown that 6% of children born to a traditional married couple in this country were not sired by the father! Although that number is for the birds it could be worse. For decades scientists said that 90% of the 9,700 species of birds are monogamous! Naturalists said this was primarily because more was expected of the male bird than with mam-

malian species. Unlike many human couples, the male birds actually hang around to help raise the young. This is known as "biologically mandated follow through". The only problem is that DNA testing proved there was as much hanky-panky occurring in bird nests as there is in secret Manhattan motel rooms.

In a study with blackbirds, formally thought to be monogamous, the males of several pairs were given vasectomies and yet the eggs from the mother still hatched little blackbirds! In another study baby blackbirds were DNA tested and it was found that up to 40% of them had been fertilized by a bird who was not the social father! I bet there was some chirping going on in nests everywhere when this news broke.

The only living thing I could find that was definitely 100% monogamous is something called the anglerfish. The male of this species follows the scent of a female, finds her, bites her and then hangs on. Over time their skin fuses together and the male eventually lives off the female. (This may remind some of you of your present relationship.)

Black vultures are the next closest to being totally monogamous because members of that species attack other black vultures who are caught cheating on their mate. There are also 30 different species including some spiders, sagebrush crickets, praying mantises, sea slugs and paddle crabs where the female makes sure her mate doesn't cheat on her. She does this by eating her lover after they have sex. I think I speak for all men when I say that merely smoking a cigarette or taking a nap afterwards seems like a far more civilized way to conclude the proceedings.

I always believed that cowboys and cowgirls, as a species, were monogamous but even that theory has recently been disproved. I was shocked when a cowboy friend of mine told me that he and his lovely wife of 30 years were getting divorced. When I inquired as to the reason for this estrangement he gave me some insight as to why some wolves, apes, coyotes, vultures and men sometimes fall out of love.

"Because I don't really like her boyfriend all that much," he reasonably replied.

## State rep suggests ways to improve House vote procedure

stalling loudspeakers in the foyers and restrooms outside of the House chamber and lengthening the amount of time allotted for each vote would help, too.

There is a legislative interim charge for the matter to be studied.

A House rule amending the voting procedure could be up for consideration when the next regular session of the Legislature convenes on Jan. 13, 2009.

### AG LAUNCHES ANTI-ID THEFT SITE

Texans have a new way to prevent or minimize the damage from identity theft by using a Web site published by the Texas Attorney General's Office.

www.texasfightstheft.gov features a "victim's kit" with a step-by-step checklist of what to do when you know or suspect that your personal information has been stolen or used without authorization.

Attorney General Greg Abbott spoke about the site at an April 3 news conference.

"Victims whose credit is ruined or whose bank accounts are emptied because their personal information has been compromised must take immediate steps to repair the damage," Abbott said. "Our new Web site contains helpful tools to help identify theft victims and Texans hoping to prevent identity theft."

### PRISONS CHIEF TESTIFIES AT HEARING

The Senate Criminal Justice committee met April 2.

Ron Livingston, director of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, testified that prison reforms mandated by the Legislature are on schedule.

He said prison health care costs have been cut by using federal programs that provide money for prescriptions and by shifting to an electronic record keeping system.

Also, bedridden, comatose or terminal inmates that pose no threat to society are considered for early parole, he said.

On April 3, the committee discussed the troubled Texas Youth Commission.

Committee chair Sen. John Whitmire, D-Houston, pointed out the shortage of guards and suggested streamlining the agency.

### SENATOR DENIES SHE IS RUNNING

It looked like the 2010 race for governor started in the closing days of March, when the Corpus Christi Caller-Times published a story that a U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison aide said the senator was running for governor.

But Hutchison, whose Senate term expires in 2012, denied that she had decided to run.

**UT NAMES INTERIM CHANCELLOR**

### The University of Texas

System Board of Regents appointed Kenneth Shine as interim chancellor for the UT System. He will step in May 1.

Shine, 73, has been serving as executive vice chancellor for health affairs for the UT System.

He follows Chancellor Mark Yudof, who recently was named chancellor of the University of California System.

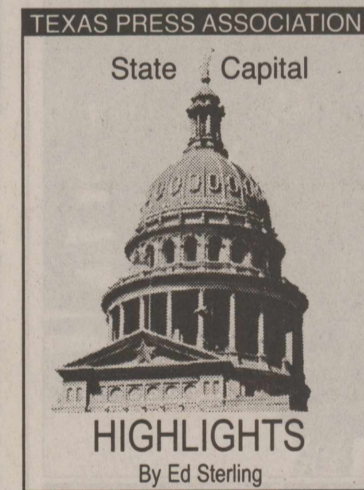
### PANEL TO STUDY EFFECTS OF NEW TAX

In May, many Texas businesses will for the first time pay the revised state franchise tax. This is the tax intended to help offset the cost of residential property tax relief.

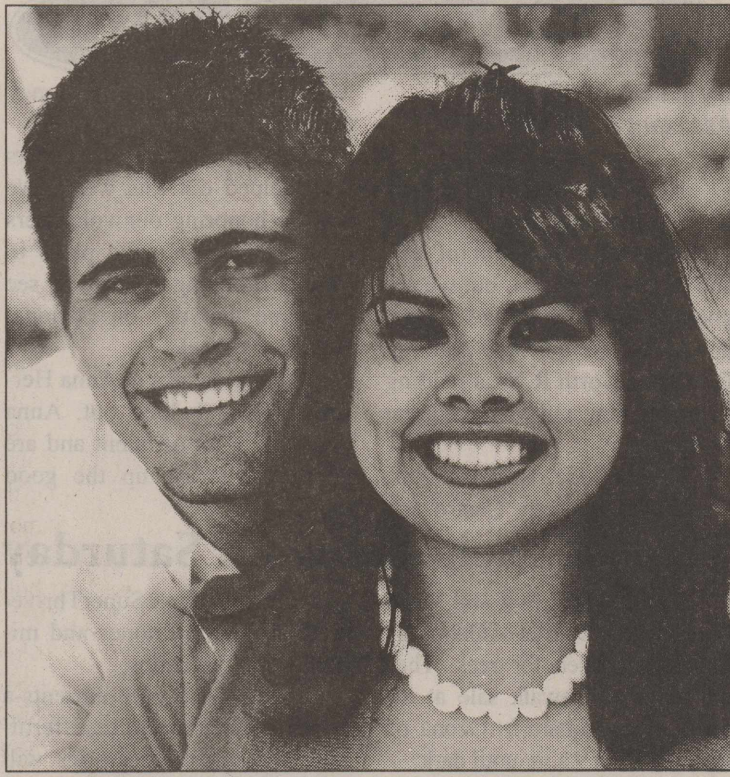
A committee of tax experts, business people and lawmakers will analyze effects of this new tax on businesses and the Texas economy.

The committee will report its findings to the Texas Legislature, which convenes in January. Comptroller Susan Combs, chair of the committee, has nominated two tax experts and 14 taxpayer members.

Lawmakers appointed to serve on the committee are state Sens. Steve Ogden, R-College Station, and Kirk Watson, D-Austin, and state Reps. Warren Chisum, R-Pampa, and Myra Crownover, R-Fort Worth.



**HIGHLIGHTS**  
By Ed Sterling



### Odom-Venegas to wed in May

Felix and Maria Venegas of Ozona are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth Venegas to Quiton Odom, son of Mark and Kristy Odom of Post, Texas.

Elizabeth is a 2005 graduate of Ozona High School. She is employed at Crockett National Bank.

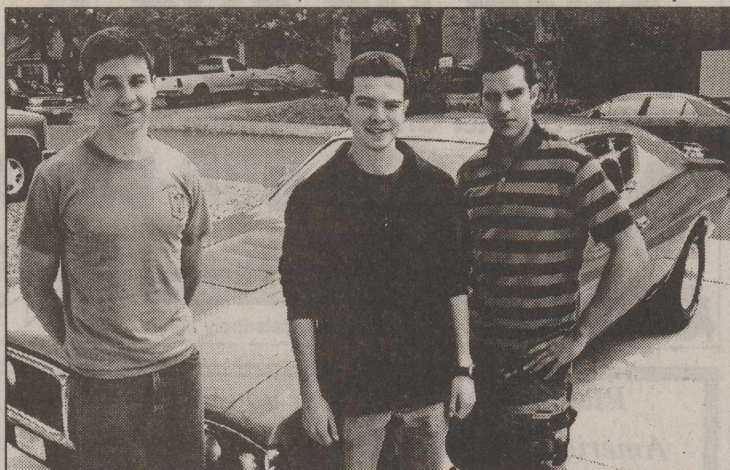
Quiton is a 2005 graduate of Post High School. He is employed with the Crockett County Consolidated Common School District.

The ceremony will be held on May 10, 2008, at the Venegas Ranch.



Photo by Joe Hernandez

**LILLY CONSTRUCTION INC.** received an award for Most Improved Contractor during Chevron's annual Contractor Health Environmental and Safety Management Forum held March 25 in Houston. Dave Wilson, vice president of Lilly Construction Inc., received the award from Vice President of Mid-Continent Alaska Scott Davis. Also attending from Lilly Construction Inc. was, Oscar Flores, superintendent, and Donny Borah, safety coordinator. Mid-Continent Alaska Business Unit covers an area from south Texas to Anchorage, Alaska, excluding California.



Submitted photo

**LEVI ENGLISH** (middle) of Ozona brought home two of his friends Matthew Arnsberger from Columbia, Md. (left) and David Flannery from San Antonio (right). All three boys are plebes (freshmen) at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, in the Class of 2011. They were in West Texas March 8-13, visiting with Levi's parents Ben and Cathy English of Ozona, his grandparents Ethan and Beverly Dennis of Eldorado and uncle and aunt Barry and Beckie English of Barnhart. They had loads of fun shooting, camping out and just relaxing.



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**April 11** - Hailey Vargas, Aiden Aiguier, Emily Marie Rodriguez, Weldon Nicks, Rachel Ybarra, June Knox Abbott and Michael Gonzalez

**April 12** - Blanca Castro, Glenna Burns, Zella Ruthardt, Ethan Dennis and Edward Gutierrez

**April 13** - Melissa Miller, Cecilia Longoria, John Tom Tijerina, Lupe Galvan and Ann Stapper

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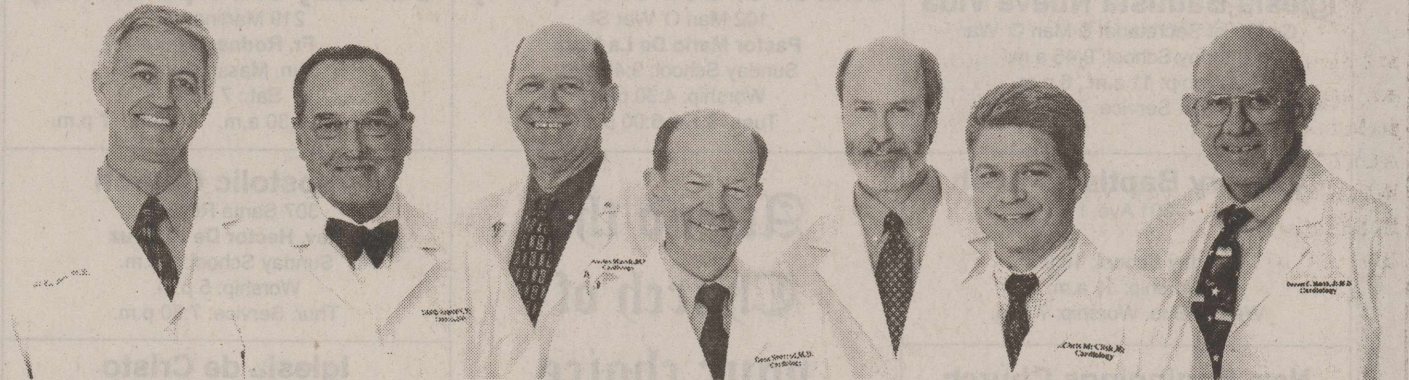
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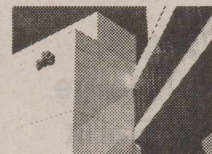
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**Ozona Senior Happenings**

By **LYNN ENGLISH**  
Senior Center Director

April is here and we are still waiting for the showers. How can we have May flowers without April showers?

Betty and Bob Hartley came by again late last week. Bob was so much better and it was good seeing them both out here working on the puzzle.

We had two local couples celebrating Golden Wedding Anniversaries March 29. Fifty years is a long time. Congratulations go out to Bob and Lynda Falkner, also to Gene and Doris Hood. We are proud of all of you and your long marriages.

There were a couple of birthdays April 4. Bernice Cota and Eloisa Noah turned plenty nine and we wish them many more fun filled birthdays.

Katherine Russell is home in Ozona after being in the hos-

pital in San Angelo. Welcome home Katherine.

Several ladies gathered on Tuesday to learn and teach a card game. One lady came from Sonora. I am pleased to have had them.

The Crockett County Senior Board that was scheduled for Monday, April 7, was canceled because the president and vice president had to be out of town.

We learned that Randy Branch's stepmother passed away last week. Our condolences go out to her family.

Keep in mind that we will be having our yearly Health Fair here at the Senior Center on Tuesday, April 15, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Sponsors for this occasion will be the Ozona First Methodist Church. Lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. and there will be no carry outs.

Remember that there are several things to do here at the

Senior Center. We are always working a puzzle, we have a pool table, books and magazines to read, square dancing, bridge, TV, VCR and DVD player. The coffee pot is on and there is always someone to visit with. We also have printers and computers for the public to use.

Come and "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.

Mondays and Thursday at 1:30 p.m. is when the bridge players come to the Senior Center to play their favorite past time game. These ladies come in all smiles, bringing snacks and enjoy each others company.

Our activities are for those of you 50 or over (we are flexible). Come out and join the fun.

**Care Center Chatter**

By **ELSA VASQUEZ**  
Assistant Activity Director

Hello to everyone. I'm hard back at work, ha, ha.

We had a little bit of this and a little bit of that, but we are good to go with bingo, jingo, dominoes, exercise and reading. E.A. Wadsworth R.N. is reading something new and we have great exercises.

Lucy Hinde, Benny Gibbs, Helen Stokes, Betty Castro and

Margie Dorris donated money and bingo prizes.

Thanks to all our volunteers who helped out this week. We will be honoring our volunteers on April 22, so make plans to join us. Looking forward to see everyone that day on National Volunteers Week.

Special thanks to Anna Hernandez who helped out. Anna you have a lot of talent and are good in keeping up the good work.

**Tree Sale scheduled for Saturday**

The Crockett Soil and Water Conservation District of Ozona are now taking orders for trees. They will hold a sidewalk sale at the south of the square in Ozona on April 12 from 9 a.m. until dark.

Available trees include: Big-tooth Maple, Live Oak, Texas Red Oak, Pinyon Pine, Chinese Pistache, Common Hackberry, Desert Willow and more. Most of the trees come in the patented Rootmaker grow bags ranging in size from 5" to 8".

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To insure you get the trees you want, order in advance. For more information, details and prices on trees available, call Sharon Martin at the Crockett Soil & Water Conservation District at 392-2301, ext. 3, or come by our office located at 201-D 11th Street in Ozona. We also have pictures available of most plants and trees.

**Library News** by Louise P. Ledoux

**National Library Week, tax forms available**

**NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK**

This year marks the 50th Anniversary of National Library Week, a time to celebrate the contributions of libraries, librarians and library workers in schools, campuses and communities nationwide. Libraries of all types—school, public, academic and special—participate.

CCPL is celebrating this year's theme Join The Circle Of Knowledge @ Your Library! with displays of new books and audios for children and adults.

First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association (ALA) and libraries across the country each April. It is a time to celebrate the contributions of our nation's libraries and librarians and to promote library use and support.

The initiative had its beginnings in the mid-1950s, when research showed that Americans were spending less on books and

more on radios, televisions and musical instruments.

Concerned that Americans were reading less, the ALA and the American Book Publishers formed a nonprofit citizens organization called the National Book Committee in 1954.

The committee's goals were ambitious. They ranged from "encouraging people to read in their increasing leisure time" to "improving incomes and health" and "developing strong and happy family life."

National Library Week has been celebrated in libraries since that time and libraries are now stronger and more widely used by Americans than ever before. Come Join The Circle Of Knowledge @ Your Library!

**TAX FORMS**

It's that time again! The April 15 deadline is fast approaching. Find all the tax forms you need at the Library.

CCPL has all the information and schedules you will need

to make quick work of the dreaded chore of filing your taxes.

Whether you need the long Form 1040 plus all the schedules for deductions and reporting various income, or whether you can use the short and fast Form 1040-EZ, CCPL has them.

We have the Earned Income Credit form and the new Credit for Federal Telephone Excise Tax, and of course, the Application for Automatic Extension of Time to File for all you procrastinators!

We also have a supply of the new applications for the Economic Stimulus Payment. This application is only for those not already filing a return, such as, people on Social Security, Veterans or other Retirement Beneficiaries.

We have the information you need on What, When, and Where To File your IRS Tax Forms.

Remember, Librarians are not trained tax professionals, but we can help you find the information and forms you need to file your taxes properly. Come check it out!

**Heath Fair set for Tuesday**

The Crockett County Senior Center and the Ozona Wesley Nurse Program are hosting a Spring Health Fair on Tuesday, April 15, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Crockett County Senior Center.

Vendors and services offered include Area Agency on aging-information; La Esperanza Clinic-information; Med-Way Home Health-Diabetes screening; Ozona High School Health Occupations-blood pressure; Prevent Blindness Texas-glaucoma and vision screening;

911-information; Commission for the Blind-information; American Cancer Society-information; West Texas Rehabilitation screening; Angelo Department for Rehab-job training information; Primary Health-low income health insurance applications; Crockett County EMS-ambulance tour and information.

A free lunch of brisket burritos, beans and fruit will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Military addresses needed**

Ozona Military Support Group is needing updated addresses for local military troops.

Monetary donations are also being accepted in order to cover shipping charges for care packages being sent to our local

military personnel. Please contact Allison McGuire at 392-3200 or Ozona Primary School; Melissa Ybarra at 392-3096 or Crockett County Care Center or Sylvia Lara at 392-2965 or at the courthouse annex.

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**LITTLE GIRL BEHIND BARS**

Last week I received some pictures from a country on the other side of the world. One of the pictures that really touched my heart was of a little girl standing behind a fence made of heavy iron bars. She was dirty faced; un kept and had such a sad look. That picture reminded me of the circumstances and situations that many people live in around the world. Many are brought up and held prisoners by a Religion and the laws of their country. In many countries there is only one religion allowed and you are forced to join it. Other Religions are not tolerated and if you proclaim them you are beaten, imprisoned, lose all you earthly possessions and killed. God wants us to have the freedom to choose but he also wants us to hear the truth, (Luke 4:18, John 8:32). Some of the last words Jesus spoke His followers were to take the good news into all the world, (Matthew 28:19&20). That good news is that Christ died for our sins and that by putting our trust in Him we can have forgiveness and be set free from sin and it's penalty, (John 8:36 & 10:10). What can we do? We can pray for them, (Colossians 1:9, 1 Thessalonians 5:17). I have cousin that is really burdened for people in other parts of the world and she prays for them all the time.

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 align="center"><b>Attend the Church of your choice this Sunday</b></p>	
<p><b>New Beginnings Church</b> 701 9th Street Pastor Jesse Cardona Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Tuesday Worship: 7 p.m.</p>		

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**Card of Thanks**

Thanks to all my friends who cared for me while I was recovering at home. Thank you for your prayers, I could feel them, and for the phone calls, visits, get well cards and food baskets. May God Bless you richly.  
Elsa Vasquez and Arturo Vasquez

**Card of Thanks**

We would like to thank everyone for their thoughtful prayers, kind words, phone calls, visits, cards, food and flowers that we have received since the loss of our friend and husband Fred V. Fierro. Words can not express our appreciation. Thank you and may God bless you all.  
Petra Hernandez and Mr. and Mrs. Natividad Sr. and Family

**Card of Thanks**

Dear Ozona, There is few words to express the warmth and love we felt during the loss of our beloved brother Fred Vela Fierro. We all are so thankful for all the prayers, visits, food, flowers, funeral ceremony and any act of kindness. May God continue to bless our community and remember our brother Fred's smile, gentleness, kindness, peace and love for Ozona.  
Many blessings,  
The Fred Vela Fierro Family

**Card of Thanks**

The Juan Dominguez family would like to extend its deepest gratitude to each and every one who took time out of their day to accompany us at our time of sorrow. We thank all who assisted with medical care, kept us in your prayers, sent food and the flowers, have called and visited us. We would especially like to thank Father Rodney, the choir, lectors, communion ministers and the Guadalupanas. We truly appreciate all of your kindness.  
Thank you and God bless!



Photo by Joe Hernandez

LILLY CONSTRUCTION INC. held their annual Adopt-A-Highway trash pick up day on April 3. Fifty-three employees and their families gathered 62 bags of trash in the two-mile stretch on north State Highway 163.

## Drought management to be focus of Natural Resources Field Day on April 24 in San Angelo

SAN ANGELO – The Texas AgriLife Research and Extension Center at San Angelo and the National Drought Mitigation Center will sponsor the Natural Resources Field Day from 8:30 a.m. until 4:45 p.m. on April 24.

The field day will be held at the center located north of San Angelo on U.S. Highway 87.

Marvin Ensor, Texas AgriLife Extension Service regional program director at San Angelo, said the field day is meant to showcase existing management tools and reintroduce some old standby practices available to producers facing drought.

“The National Drought Mitigation Center also wants to give producers and agency personnel an opportunity to provide real world input on new tools they

are currently working on,” Ensor said.

“A year ago we decided to curtail our annual natural resource field days and hold them only when conditions or issues warranted them,” Ensor said. “With record-setting wildfires flaring up across the state and prolonged dry weather predicted, that time is now. Our goal is to arm producers with the most up-to-date knowledge available to see them successfully through these natural disasters which occur all too frequently in the West Texas ranching business.”

Morning field day topics will include:

- Drought Update: Climate Services and Monitoring Tools Available from National Weather Service, San Angelo.

• Drought Impact Reporter: Putting a Face on Drought.

• Developing a Vegetation Drought Response Index: Monitoring Vegetation Stress from a Local to National Scale.

• Grazing Management after Fire and Drought.

Afternoon topics following a catered lunch include:

• GreenLeaf: Taking a Google Approach to Agricultural Decision Support.

• Managing Risk on the Ranch: A Guide to Help Better Prepare for and Respond to Drought.

• Building a New Drought Monitor/Decision Support System: Putting it All Together.

• Rangeland/Pasture Drought Insurance Program update.

• U.S. Department of Agriculture Programs Available for Ranching Losses.

The field day will conclude with an open discussion and comment period.

Individual registration which includes lunch is \$10 by April 18 and \$25 thereafter.

To register or for more information, call (325) 653-4576.

## First confirmed anthrax case detected near Del Rio

The anthrax season near Del Rio started a little early this year, with a case confirmed March 31 in a five-year-old male goat.

The Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) is advising owners in the area to vaccinate livestock to prevent additional death losses.

“Usually we see cases of anthrax occurring in summer when the temperatures rise, but this spring has been quite warm,” said Dr. Hillman, Texas’ state veterinarian and head of the Texas Animal Health Commission, the state’s regulatory agency for livestock and poultry health.

Anthrax occurs worldwide, but in Texas, cases are typically found in a triangle bounded by Uvalde, Ozona and Eagle Pass, which takes in portions of Crockett, Val Verde, Sutton, Edwards, Kinney, Uvalde and Maverick counties.

Hillman said anthrax bacteria lies dormant in the ground, and germination is triggered by appropriate moisture and warmth. As the bacteria migrate

to the surface, it contaminates grass and soil, where it is picked up by grazing animals. Because anthrax bacteria generally does not migrate in the ground, contamination in a large pasture may be limited to only a small area.

“Ranchers in the vicinity of anthrax cases routinely vaccinate each spring, or initiate vaccination for their cattle, sheep, goats, horses or other grazing animals as soon as a season’s first case is reported,” he said. “The injected vaccine is very effective, but there is no approved method for administering vaccine to free-ranging deer that can’t be rounded up and restrained in a chute.”

TAHC regulations require that animals on infected premises be quarantined for at least 10 days after all the livestock have been vaccinated against the disease.

Prior to release of a TAHC quarantine, carcasses of infected animals, animal bedding and nearby manure must be burned thoroughly to prevent anthrax bacteria from leaching into the

soil, where it can remain dormant for decades.

“When burning potentially infected carcasses, or vaccinating livestock against anthrax, ranchers should wear long sleeves and gloves to avoid contaminating sores on arms or hands,” Hillman said.

Wash hands and clothes after burning carcasses or vaccinating animals. Consider disinfecting equipment used to move bedding, potentially infected manure or fuel. Keep pets away from carcasses, and avoid picking up bones, horns or antlers from dead animals. Healthy animals should be moved from anthrax-contaminated areas during an outbreak.

All anthrax cases—suspected or laboratory confirmed—must be reported to the TAHC. The regulatory agency operates a 24-hour hotline at 1-800-550-8242, with state or federal regulatory veterinarians available at all times to take calls and work with private veterinary practitioners and producers.

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# Hernandez, Mendez win OMS tennis meet

The Ozona Middle School Tennis Team held its Ozona meet this past weekend. Natalie Hernandez and Alejandro Mendez won first in eighth grade mixed doubles. Mark Gallardo and Ruben Galindo placed third in eighth grade boys' doubles. Stacie Quiroz was fourth in eighth grade girls' singles. Marty Moran was fourth in eighth grade boys' singles. Kramer Hall and Austin Perez were the consolation runners-up in eighth grade boys' doubles.



**JULIA HENDERSON (r.) WAS DISTRICT CHAMP IN GIRLS SINGLES** at the district tennis tournament. Devon Diehl (l.) won 3rd place in boys singles.



Photo by Joe Hernandez  
**JASON BADILLO**

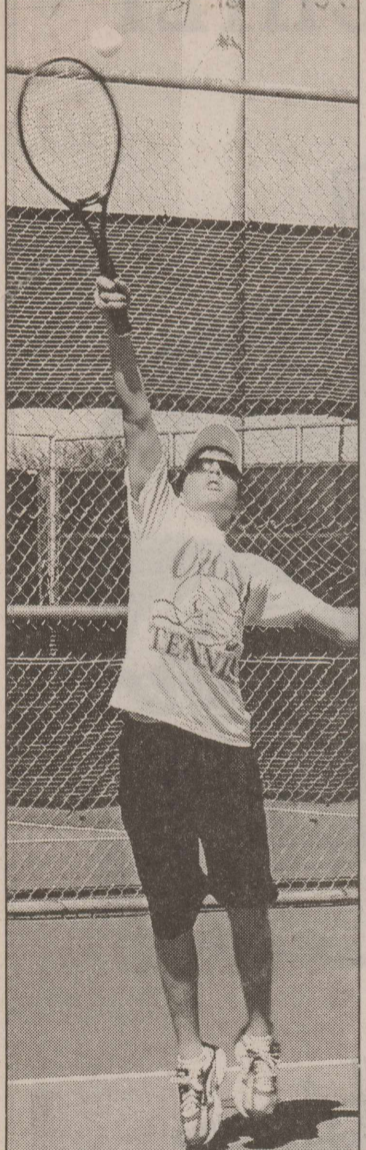


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**QUATRO JONES**

## Henderson advances to regional tennis

Julia Henderson won the district championship in girls' singles during the District 7-AA meet last week in Big Lake. Henderson will compete in the regional tournament April 23-24 in Abilene.

Devon Diehl came in third in the boys' singles. He defeated teammate Stefan Wilson for third place. In boys' doubles, Ben Flores

and Kyle Dean placed third. Alma Elizondo and Duncan Knox won consolation in mixed doubles. Sean Davis won consolation in JV boys' singles.

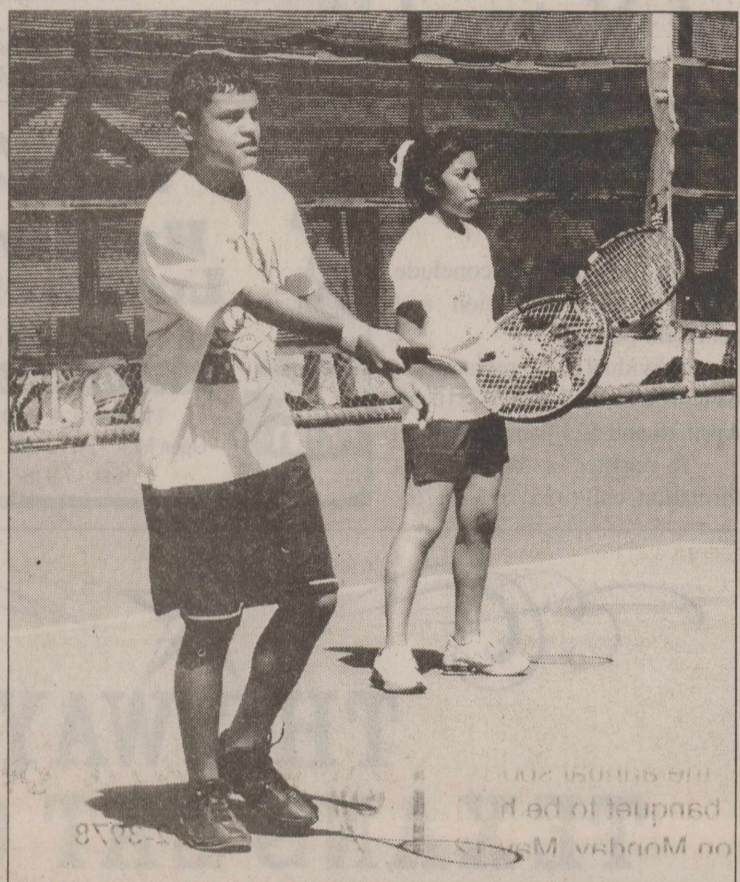


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**ALEJANDRO MENDEZ AND NATALIE HERNANDEZ (r.)** won first place in eighth grade mixed doubles at the Ozona Middle School Tennis Tournament.

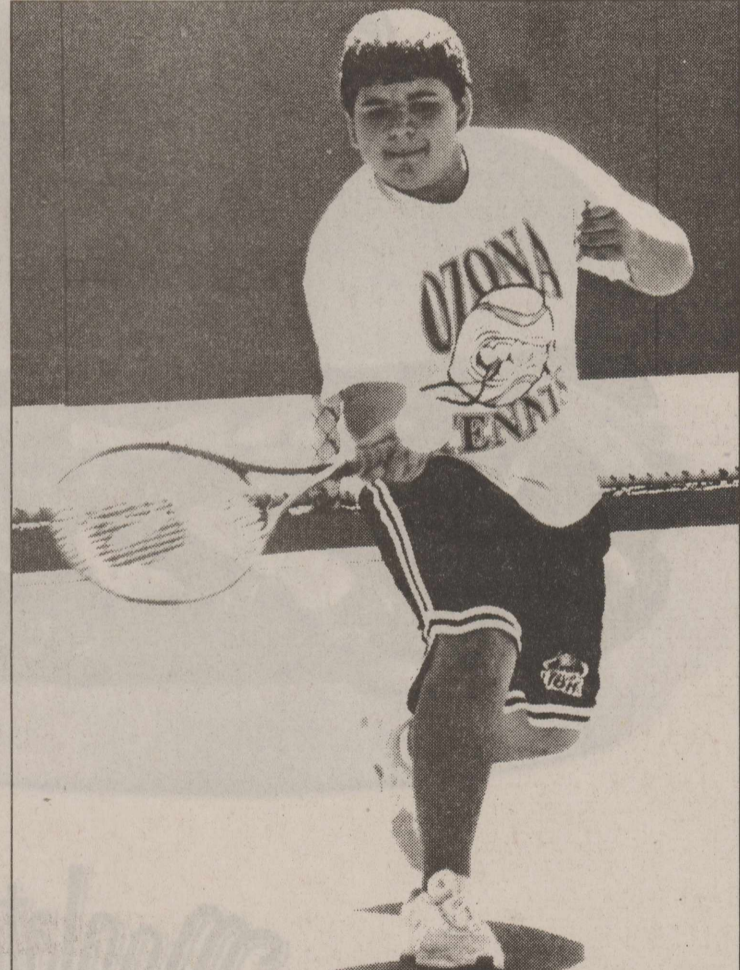
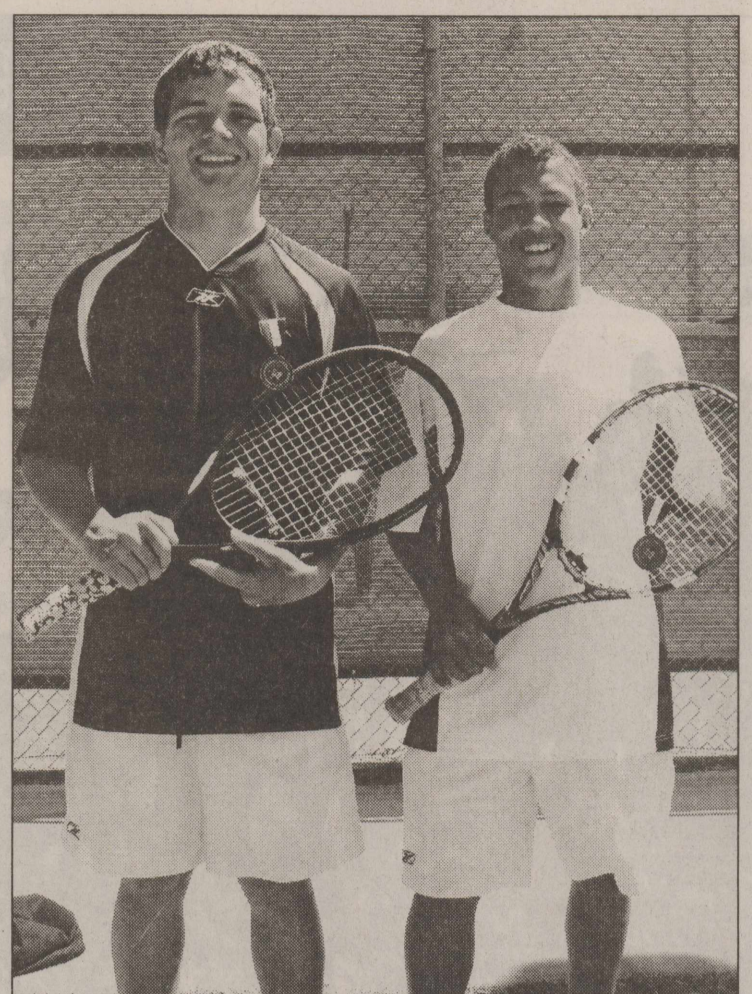


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**MIKE MEDINA, JR.**



Submitted Photo  
**BEN FLORES AND KYLE DEAN (r.)** won 3rd place in boys doubles at the district tournament held in Big Lake

## Lions are district runner-up in track

The Ozona Lions were the district runner-ups at the District 7-AA Track Meet Saturday in Crane.

Qualifying for boys' regional competition are: discus - Steven Silva and Ruben Rivas; high jump - Felix Venegas; shot put - Markus Galindo; 110-meter hurdles - Matthew Komechak; 800-meter run - Ethan English; 100 meter dash - Matt Turland; 200-meter dash - Ely Silva, 400-meter relay members - Mark Tambunga, Ely Silva, Matias Gardar, Felix Venegas and 1,600-meter relay team members - Ely Silva, Matt Turland, Ethan English and Felix Venegas.

Girls qualifying to compete at regional are: triple jump, 400-meter run and 800-meter run - Vanessa Rodriguez; 1,600-meter run and 800-meter run - Rebecca Ramos; discus - Alexa Cervantez; 110-meter hurdles - Melanie Miller; 1,600-meter relay members - Vanessa Rodriguez, Chelsea Moore, Rebecca Ramos and Brandyn Tebbetts.

Varsity Boys Results are: Team Scores - 1. Crane, 205.5; 2. Ozona, 134; 3. Reagan County, 82.5; 4. Kermit, 69; 5. Van Horn, 62; 6. Alpine, 51. Long jump - 6. Johnny Flores, 17-feet, 10-inches. Discus - 1. Steven Silva, 127-3; 2. Ruben Rivas, 123-4; 6. Felix Venegas, 110-7.5. High jump - 2. Felix Venegas, 6-0. Shot put - 1. Markus Gal-

indo, 42-6.75. Pole vault - 4. Russel Komechak, 11-0; 5. Matthew Komechak, 10-6. 400-meter relay - 4. Mark Tambunga, Ely Silva, Matias Gardar, Felix Venegas, 45.98. 110-meter hurdles - 2. Matthew Komechak, 16.33; 4. Russel Komechak, 16.82; 5. Gilbert Gomez, 17.56. 800-meter run - 2. Ethan English, 2:08.7. 800-meter relay - 2. Tambunga, Silva, Gardar, Turland, 1:34.5. 100-meter dash - 1. Matt Turland, 10.64; 6. Mark Tambunga, 11.63. 400-meter run - 4. Felix Venegas, 53.88; 6. Matias Gardar, 57.28. 300-meter hurdles - 4. Russel Komechak, 45.06. 200-meter dash - 2. Ely Silva, 22.76; 1,600-meter relay: 2. Silva, Turland, English, Venegas, 3:32.6. The Lady Lions came in fourth in the district meet. Varsity Girls Results: Team Scores - 1. Crane, 204; 2. Kermit, 114; 3. Reagan County, 100; 4. Ozona, 99; 5. Alpine, 70; 6. Van Horn, 25. Long jump - 4. Vanessa Rodriguez, 15-8.5. Triple jump - 3. Vanessa Rodriguez, 32-6.75; 4. Chelsea Moore, 31-9. Discus - 2. Alexa Cervantez, 92-0.5; 5. Rae Lynn Arredondo, 75-6.5. Shot put - 5. Alexa Cer-

vantez, 30-3.25. Pole vault - 6. Julia Henderson, 6-6. 400-meter relay - 5. Ozona, 57.29. 800-meter run - 1. Vanessa Rodriguez, 2:34.6; 2. Rebecca Ramos, 2:35.5. 1,600-meter run - 1. Rebecca Ramos, 5:56.5. 110-meter hurdles - 2. Melanie Miller, 17.29. 800-meter relay - 4. Ozona, 2:05.3. 400-meter run - 2. Vanessa Rodriguez, 1:03.9; 4. Chelsea Moore, 1:07.7. 1,600-meter relay - 3. Ozona, 4:25.7. Rodriguez, Moore, Ramos and Brandyn Tebbetts.

The JV Lions came in fourth at the meet. JV Boys Results: Team Scores - 1. Alpine, 180; 2. Van Horn, 168; 3. Reagan County, 85; 4. Ozona, 73; 5. Crane, 28 and 6. Kermit, 8. Long jump - 1. Bailey Badillo, 17-8.5; 3. Lalo Longoria, 16-3.5. Triple jump - 2. Badillo, 37-3.25. Shot put - 4. Ben Flores, 33-6. 3,200-meter run - 1. Stefan Wilson, 11:52.3. 800-meter dash - 2. Longoria, 2:26.6; 3. Badillo, 2:27.5. 400-meter dash - 3. Abey Lara, 59.12. 1,600-meter run - 1. Wilson, 5:24.3. The regional qualifiers will compete April 25-26 in Abilene.

## Lady Lions fall to Alpine and McCamey

The Lady Lions traveled to Alpine to face the Lady Bucks, and come up short 0-20. "This was a tough game. We started out fine. We got runners on and we were able to move them into scoring position, but were unable to capitalize," said John Esparza. "On the defensive side we just could not finish innings. We were able to get the first out, but we just could not get the second and the third. We had a few dropped balls and it extended innings from them." Playing for the Lady Lions

were Alysha Lara, Christina Rodriguez, Britni Mitchel, Morgan Glosson, Rae Lynn Arredondo, Kellie Pilcher, Rebecca Ramos, Lauren Najar and Amber Lewis. On Friday the Lady Lions faced McCamey in a non-district ball game falling 12-15. "We were able to put are bats on the ball and score runs. We were real aggressive on the bases, but we had 14 errors and that killed us," Esparza said. "I was proud of the way the girls came back in the game the were

down by 10 and came back and made it a close game. I am also proud of the way Morgan and Britni pitched, neither girl had pitched in a game in almost a year and a half. They stepped up and did a great job putting the ball in play. The defense just was unable to make plays." Playing for the Lady Lions were Alysha Lara, Christina Rodriguez, Britni Mitchel, Morgan Glosson, Rae Lynn Arredondo, Kellie Pilcher, Rebecca Ramos, Lauren Najar and Amber Lewis.

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## Cub Scouts hold Blue and Gold Banquet at Civic Center on March 31



Photo by Chris Lara

**THE OZONA CUB SCOUTS AT THE ANNUAL BLUE AND GOLD BANQUET.** Pictured are: (back row, l. to r.) Greg DeHoyos, Jaxon Rodriguez, Cade Hardy, Caleb Hardy, Caleb Martinez, Kabir Shaw and Trystian Galindo. Middle row: Bladen Hernandez, Jesse Ramos, Mark Akeman, Ben Nelms, Michael Hill, Taylor Absher, Hunter Smith, Gavin Grannis and Caleb Bullard. Front row: Christian Yruegas, Marc Flores and Murray Logan.

The Cub Scouts held their annual Blue and Gold Banquet on March 31 at the Crockett County Civic Center.

**Leadership Recognition** - Jim Bob Rodriguez, Tigers; Lydia Munoz, Bears; Benny Logan, Peggy Logan, Willard Akeman and Juan Hernandez, Wolves; Sherri Hill and Vicky Munoz, Webelos.

**Bobcat Badge** - Ben Nelms, Cade Hardy, Greg De Hoyos, Jaxon Rodriguez, Marcus Perez and Kyle Lewis.

**Tiger Scout** - Jaxon Rodriguez, patches for tiger scout, pinewood derby, blue and gold, flag ceremony and hiking; Marcus Perez, tiger scout, pinewood derby, blue and gold, flag ceremony and hiking; Kyle Lewis, tiger scout, blue and gold, flag ceremony and hiking.

**Wolves Den 1** - Roman Esparza, basketball belt loop,

baseball belt loop, collecting and marbles; Hunter Smith, wolf badge, collecting belt loop, basketball belt loop, baseball belt loop, marbles, gold arrow point, four silver arrow points and perfect attendance; Gavin Grannis, wolf badge, collecting belt loop, basketball belt loop, baseball belt loop, marbles and gold arrow point; Murray Logan, wolf badge, collecting belt loop, baseball belt loop, basketball belt loop, bicycling, fishing, ice skating, marbles, gold and silver arrow point, perfect attendance and a second year bar for two years perfect attendance; Calib Bullard, wolf badge, collecting belt loop, marbles, bicycling, basketball belt loop and perfect attendance; Marc Flores, wolf badge, collecting belt loops, basketball belt loops, marbles and gold and silver arrow points.

Marc Flores was also hon-

ored on Feb. 16 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in San Angelo during a special ceremony for all scouts meeting the requirements to earn their religious emblem that are members of the Catholic Diocese. Marc earned the Light of Christ emblem. This requires a great of extra effort and studying on Marc's part and commitment from him and his parents.

**Wolves Den 2** - Mark Akeman, wolf badge, basketball belt loop, gold arrow point and perfect attendance; Bladen Hernandez, wolf badge, basketball belt loop, baseball belt loop, gold arrow point and perfect attendance; Christian Yruegas, wolf badge, basketball belt loop, baseball belt loop, gold arrow point and perfect attendance; Zachary Perez, wolf badge, basketball belt loop, baseball belt loop, gold arrow point and perfect attendance; Jes-

sie Ramos, wolf badge, basketball belt loop, baseball belt loop, gold arrow point and perfect attendance; Greg De Hoyos, basketball belt loop.

**Bears** - Trystian Galindo, bear badge and whittling chip; Cade Hardy, bear badge; Caleb Martinez, bear badge, whittling chip and perfect attendance; Kabir Shah, bear badge and whittling chip; Ryan Ramos, bear badge.

**Webelos** - Jeremy Munoz, Webelo badge, citizen, craftsman and scientist; Taylor Absher, Webelo badge, citizen, craftsman and scientist; Ben Nelms, Webelo badge, citizen and craftsman; Michael Hill, second year Webelo working toward his Arrow of Light, the highest achievement in Cub Scouting, also citizen, craftsman and scientist.

In October, the scouts sold popcorn and this is our big fund-

raiser for our pack. The top two popcorn sellers were Jeremy Munoz with \$800 in popcorn sales and Marc Flores with \$1,100. Jeremy won a sleeping bag and Marc won a tent and a rocket launcher kit.

Ozora Pack 153 was also awarded the 2007 Quality Award through the Boy Scouts of America.

A special thank you and a certificate of appreciation was given to Dr. John Fluth during the banquet by Cubmaster Benny Logan. Dr. Fluth is the District Commissioner in the Permian Basin for the Boy Scouts of America. He is also the pastor for the Ozona United Methodist Church in Ozona. The Methodist Church is the Charter Sponsor for Pack 153 in Ozona and the pack would like to thank the church for their support as well.

The Cub Scouts would like to wish the Fluth Family good luck in the future. We appreciate all the support they have given to the Ozona Boy Scout Program.

Pack 153 would also like to

thank and welcome aboard the new positions at the district level for the Permian Basin District Unit Commissioner Frank Tambunga and District Chairman John Collis, both of Ozona.

### Congratulations

### Eric Fierro

for receiving your G.E.D.

Good Luck with your future plans.

We love you and we are very proud of you.

Love you, Anna, Nana, Mae, Elda and the rest of your family

## One Act Play Cast wins awards, public performance Monday night



Submitted photos

**TOP: MEMBERS OF THE OZONA HIGH SCHOOL ONE ACT PLAY** competed district competition in Kermit on March 27. The cast is pictured: (left to right) Rebecca Rueffler, lights; Brooke Tambunga, Aunt March; Kara Bird, Meg March; Chelsea Barrick, Beth March; Heather Thompson, Amy March; Park Preddy, Jo March; Morgan Capps, Marmee; Johnny Kolster, Mr. March; Duncan Knox, Theodora "Laurie" Lawrence and Jayce Logan, Stage Manager, Sound.

**BOTTOM: AWARD WINNERS** - Rebecca Rueffler was named Outstanding Technical Crew Member; Park Preddy to the All Star Cast and Heather Thompson as Honorable Mention All Star Cast. The students will hold their public performance at 7:30 p.m. Monday, April 14 at the OHS Auditorium. There will be a \$2 donation at the door.

The Ozona High School Athletic Booster Club is accepting bids for the annual sports banquet to be held on Monday, May 12, 2008. Bids must be submitted by Friday, April 11. A menu of steak or chicken fingers, green beans, mashed potatoes, bread, dessert and tea will be accepted and other menus may be considered. To submit bids or for more information contact Frank Tambunga at 392-2827.

**Youth Center Calendar of Events**  
 April 14 - OHS Food Night - 7-10 p.m.  
 April 15 - OMS Food Night - 7-10 p.m.  
 May 8 - OHS Guitar Class Concert - 6 p.m.  
 Donations are currently being accepted for the Youth Center Scholarship Fund account at ONB

**2008 Seniors** have made selections

Parrish Aiguier	Park Preddy
Chelsea Barrick	Rylee Ramos
Morgan Capps	Toby Ramsey
Alexa Cervantez	Troy Ramsey
Vanessa De La Garza	Celia Rivera
Keshia Dean	Justin Rodriguez
Gabriela, Diaz	Cassandra Salazar
Sara Dorrough	Jared Spence
Morgan Glosson	Victoria Treto
Kasey Gray	Brandy Trevino
Julia Henderson	Matt Turland
Brooke Kelly	Melanie Wallace
Alan Lozano	Wendy Wilson
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## FIERRO: 'We as a community remain united in prayer'

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work with on a daily basis. He was the best," said Texas Ranger Brooks Long. "Fred knew what the meaning of the word friend meant. Most of us know him as a friend."

Fierro and his wife Petra Hernandez were two of the first people Long said he met when he moved to Ozona 10 years ago. From their first meeting, Long said he and Fierro formed "a bond."

"I did not know this community, I did not know the people. I had to have someone I could depend on. Fred was that person. No matter crime or the situation, Fred knew the witnesses, how credible the witnesses were, how the water flowed. You can't place any amount of money on the value of that," Long said.

Twenty-five years ago Fierro took an oath to uphold the law so that the citizens of Crockett County could go about their regular lives day to day, Long said. Every day, Fierro got up, put on his badge and his gun and he tried to make a difference in the community.

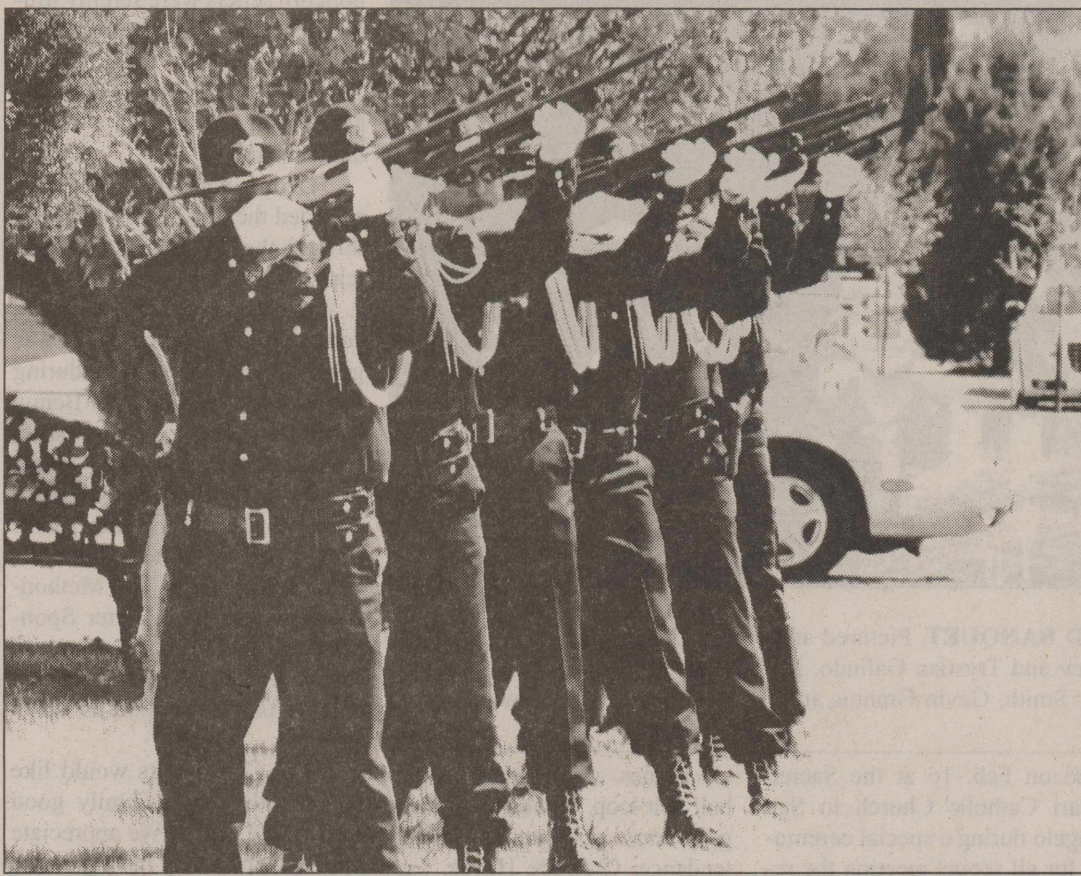
"He did make a difference. He was my friend," Long said.

Long said one of Fierro's favorite things was to talk about his family, especially his nieces and nephews.

"I can still see him smile that big smile and beat his chest and laugh," Long said. "I'm sorry we have lost him, but we haven't. He is in a much better place than we are."

Father Rodney White, priest of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, spoke of how the community needs to be closer to their faith during this time.

"Who are we to put any kind of lightness on God's way.



MEMBERS OF THE SAN ANGELO POLICE DEPARTMENT HONOR GUARD perform a 21-gun salute during the April 2 funeral mass for Chief Deputy Fred Fierro at Lima Cemetery.

Photo by Joe Hernandez

If (God) has forgiven your sin, if (God) has forgiven my sin, then no doubt (God) has forgiven all sins," White said. "All of us can explain the love we had for Freddy and the basic goodness that was in his soul. Through our trust in God's love and mercy then we may be able to accept it."

White also said that there has been a lot of talk this week regarding where the church stands in relation to Fierro's death, along with thoughts and feelings.

"It's appropriate that we have mass here. Look around you, we would have never fit in the church," White said.

Instead of gossip and ques-

tioning, White said the community should use their strength and turn to prayer.

"We pray for our community who lost such a servant. As a community we are stronger. We are united in faith, united in hope and united in love. Perhaps this could be the start of something," White said. "We temper our sadness with hope and joy. We temper our pain with love for one another. We as a community remain united in prayer."

Members of the San Angelo Honor Guard, as well as many area and local law enforcement officials saluted as Fierro's nephews carried his casket out of the convention center. Pallbearers

were: Joe Luna, R.J. Fierro, John Ray Luna, A.J. Montanez, Juan J. Coy Jr., Mark Martinez, Juan Hernandez Jr. and Victor Hernandez Jr.

Altar Servers were nieces and nephew: Rebecca, Anna and Robert Hernandez, Vivian Medina and Samantha De La Garza.

At Lima Cemetery, the honor guard gave a 21-gun salute and played "Taps." All of the honor guard members knew Fierro.

The final ceremony was a silent call out to "S.O. 89," Fierro's number, over the scanner.

"Our community has lost someone that cannot be replaced. They don't make them like him anymore," Long said.

## Fort Lancaster to be featured at May Chamber Luncheon

The Ozona Chamber of Commerce will kick off Tourism Week with a program on "What's New at Fort Lancaster and in Crockett County?"

The event will take place May 7 at the Ozona Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center Park and Conference Room.

There will be a stage coach with fort soldiers and a canon firing at 9-11 a.m., followed by a meet and greet from 11:30 a.m. to noon and then lunch and a program from noon to 1 p.m.

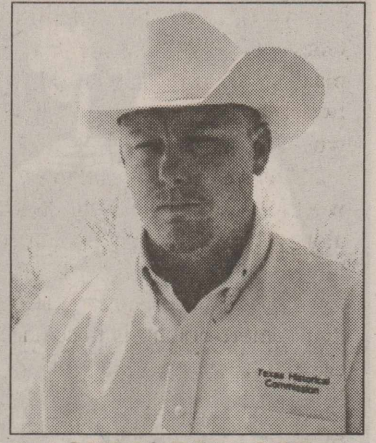
Lunch will be catered by Tia's Cafe. Cost is \$7.75 per person.

Featured speaker will be Chris Elliott, site director at Fort Lancaster State Historical Site.

Elliott has been the director since 2004. He is a 1996 graduate of Mason High School.

He has a bachelor of arts degree in biology from Schreiner University and a bachelor of science degree in liberal arts from Excelsior University.

He also has a master in arts degree in education from the University of Texas at Austin and a master of arts in military history from the American Military University.



CHRIS ELLIOTT

Elliott also served as captain in the U.S. Air Force.

Elliott and his wife have been married for eight years and have a two-year-old son.

The program will feature information about why the state celebrates Tourism Week, how tourism impacts Crockett County and what the new ownership of Fort Lancaster under the Texas Historical Commission will mean for this local historic site.

Reservations are required, so RSVP by May 5.

For more information, call the chamber at 392-3737.

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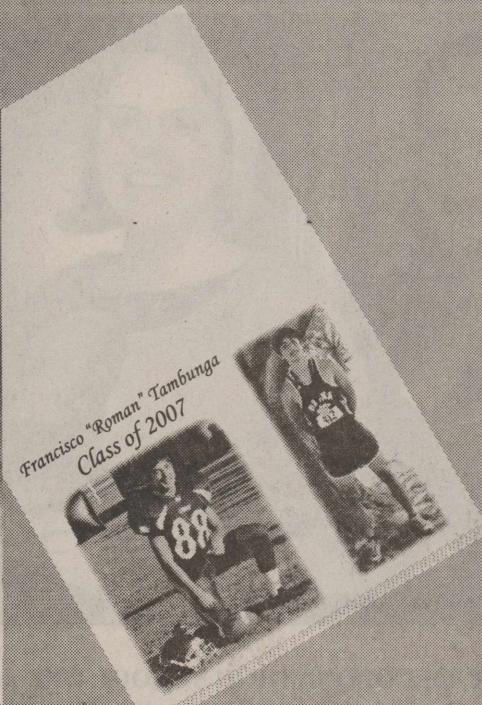
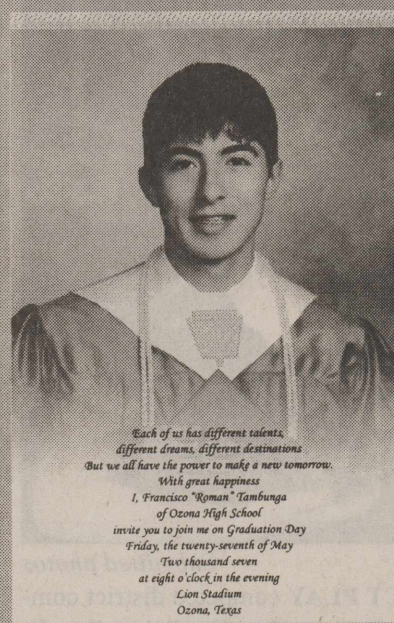
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## BOND: School would be secure

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Along with the numbers, Gott also presented the inside plans of what the layout of the two-story elementary school would be.

Third-fifth grade classrooms would be on the second floor, along with science and computer labs.

Gott said the science labs are due to more emphasis in science coming from state requirements.

Downstairs, the Pre-K-first grades would be housed in a separate area called "the village" where they would have their own playground and facilities. Second grade, the library and specialty classrooms would also be housed downstairs.

The current gymnasium would become a Cafetorium with a stage, and the main cafeteria would be housed in the new school. A new gymnasium would be built with the school.

There would also be separate drop-off and pick-up points for older schools. Principal Dan Webb said the traffic control would make a loop around the school.

A private road would be constructed to connect to State Highway 163. This road would be the drop-off point for the older students, while the smaller students would be dropped-off near the back of the building by their classrooms, Gott said.

Through scheduling and the design of the building, most of the time the older children will not come into contact with the younger children, Gott said.

"Most school districts have larger elementary schools than what we have," Webb said. "Not many communities have primary campuses. Most have Pre-K-fifth grade schools, even 4A and 5A districts."

Security will also be a big feature at the new school. After the school day begins, all doors in the building will be locked except the main entrance.

Visitors would enter the school's main entrance and speak

to the people in the office before being allowed to enter the rest of the building.

Hale also said there would be security cameras throughout the building.

"One of the main issues is security and keeping our students and teacher's safe. That's a big load off of people's minds," she said.

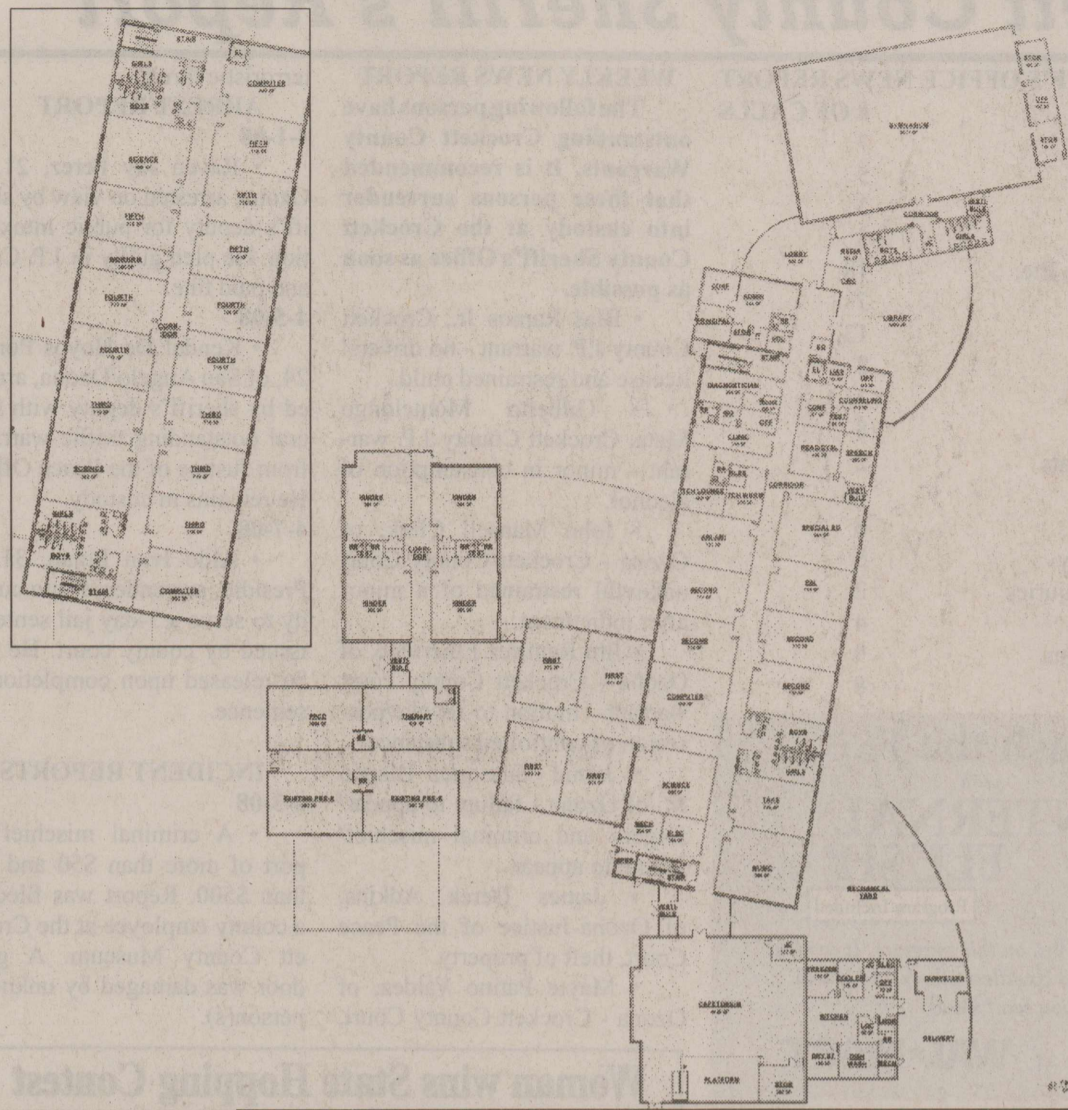
If the bond doesn't pass, the school district will have to look at least placing a new roof on the current primary school, as well as other upgrades needed for the building.

"This is a community vote. If the community doesn't want this, then we will look at something else," Gott said. "I encourage everyone to go out and vote their choice."

The next public bond meeting will be at 6 p.m. Monday, April 14, at the intermediate school.

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FLOOR PLANS for the new elementary school. The inset is the second floor and the main drawing is the first floor.



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## SCHOOL BOND PUBLIC MEETINGS

April 14 - 6 p.m. Intermediate Cafeteria

April 21 - 6 p.m. OMS Library

April 28 - 6 p.m. OHS Auditorium

April 30 - 11:30 a.m. Chamber of Commerce luncheon at the Crockett Room.  
Catered by Ozona Chatter Box, \$8 per person RSVP 392-3737 by April 28

May 4 - 2-4 p.m. Open House at Primary School (tour included)

## VOTING DATES

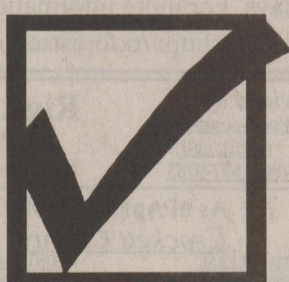
Early Voting April 28-May 6 at the courthouse annex

Election Day May 10 at precinct voting places

### To the Citizens of Crockett County C.C.S.D.

The Crockett County C.C.S.D. has called a Bond Election for \$10,000,000. The intent of this brochure is to provide basic information concerning the election. The purpose of the brochure is to assist the voter in making an informed decision concerning the bond election.

# SATURDAY



## May 10, 2008

### Important Notice Regarding Tax Freeze

Taxpayers that are 65 and over **will not** have their taxes go above the frozen levy amount/ceiling that was established whenever the Over 65 exemption was granted. For more information, please contact the Crockett County Appraisal District.

### How The Bond Money Will Be Spent

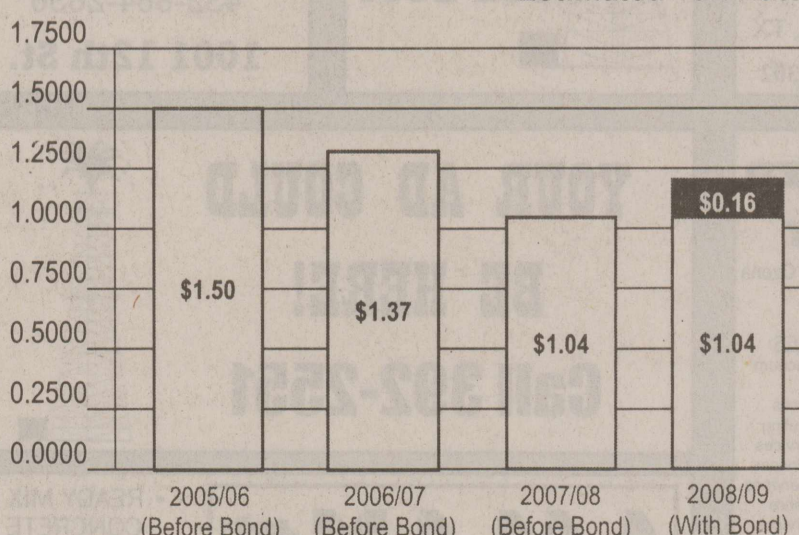
- Construction of a New PreK-5th Grade Elementary School on the Current Primary School Grounds
- Heritage Building Improvements at Ozona High School

### How Much Will The Bonds Cost The Taxpayer?

The bond election, if approved by the voters, will require a projected Interest & Sinking Fund (I&S) Tax Rate of no more than \$0.16 cents. This I&S tax rate increase of \$0.16 cents along with the projected \$1.04 Maintenance & Operations tax rate would result in a total tax rate of \$1.20. This rate is \$0.30 cents below where the total tax rate was just two years ago.

Home Value Before Exemptions	Value Taxed After 20% Local Option Exemption and State Mandated \$15,000 Homestead Exemption	Taxes Paid 2007/08 Prior to Bond Election at \$1.04 Tax Rate	Taxes to be Paid 2008/09 with Bond Election at \$1.20 Tax Rate	Amount of Annual Tax Rate Impact with Successful May 08 Bond Election
\$25,000	\$5,000	\$52.00	\$60.00	\$8.00
\$50,000	\$25,000	\$260.00	\$300.00	\$40.00
\$75,000	\$45,000	\$468.00	\$540.00	\$72.00
\$100,000	\$65,000	\$676.00	\$780.00	\$104.00
\$150,000	\$105,000	\$1,092.00	\$1,260.00	\$168.00

### Estimated Tax Rate



■ I&S Tax Rate  
□ M&O Tax Rate\*

2007/08 Actual Total Tax Rate: \$1.04

2008/09 Projected Total Tax Rate: \$1.20

\*Projected 2008-09 M&O Tax Rate based upon legislation adopted by the Texas Legislature in the Spring of 2006.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Taxes levied for bond payments are not subject to RECAPTURE. In other words, more Crockett County C.C.S.D. taxes will stay in Crockett County C.C.S.D. rather than going to the State.

# Crockett County Sheriff's Report

## CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS REPORT

TYPE OF CALLS	# OF CALLS
Livestock/Wild Animal Complaints	7
Domestic Animal Calls	5
Civil Complaints	3
Civil Service	5
Criminal Complaints, Disturbances, Etc.	18
Juvenile Complaints	7
Locked Vehicles	13
911 Fire Calls, Admin. Calls	2
911 Medical calls/ Transfers	3
Motorist Assistance/Gas Welfare	8
Reckless driving/speeding complaints	2
Sheriff's Office Admin Calls	16
Jail/dispatch Admin Calls	6
Suspicious Persons/Vehicle/Activity	3
Minor Vehicle Accidents with no injuries	2
Traffic Citations Issued	4
Prisoners Currently in custody/Ozona	9
Prisoners Housed in other counties	8

## 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.
- Jim Ramirez Etheridge, of Ozona - Crockett County court warrant - motion to revoke/possession of controlled substance.
- Jamie Valasquez Blanco Jr., of Ozona - failure to appear/forgery and criminal mischief/failure to appear.
- James Derek Adkins, of Ozona-Justice of the Peace Court, theft of property.
- Mayte Patino Valdez, of Ozona - Crockett County Court,

## terroristic threat.

## ARREST REPORT

**4-1-08**  
 • Raven Jay Perez, 21, of Ozona, arrested on view by sheriff's deputy for public intoxication. He pled guilty in J.P. Court and paid fine.

**4-5-08**  
 • Kendal De Hoyos Porras, 24, of San Angelo/Ozona, arrested by sheriff's deputy with several outstanding traffic warrants from Justice of the Peace Office. He remains in custody.

**4-7-08**  
 • Aldo Ivan Lujan, 31, of Presidio, surrendered into custody to serve a 3-day jail sentence issued by county court. He will be released upon completion of sentence.

## INCIDENT REPORTS

**4-3-08**  
 • A criminal mischief report of more than \$50 and less than \$500. Report was filed by a county employee at the Crockett County Museum. A glass door was damaged by unknown person(s).

# Friends of Fred Fierro asking for support for a memorial

Ozona has lost a person who, without a doubt, was the ultimate friend, counselor and community police officer.

His friendliness, laugh and smile touched everyone. The number of people who attended Fred's funeral and graveside service is a clear demonstration of the love and respect people have for him. The loss of Fred Fierro will be felt for generations.

It seems appropriate that a memorial for Fred be part of the community. We are respectfully requesting your support.

On April 14, at 9 a.m., we will attend the Crockett County Commissioners' Court meeting at the annex building and request that we be allowed to raise funds and place a granite memorial bench on the town square as a tribute to Deputy Fred Fierro.

## Letters to the Editor

We must have the Commissioner's approval for the placement of the bench before we start our efforts at fund-raising.

We would appreciate your support. Your attendance at the Commissioners Court meeting could make the difference in obtaining their approval. Please join us at the Crockett County Annex building on April 14 and show your support.

Thank you in advance for helping us obtain a memorial for Deputy Fierro.

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**Woman wins State Hopping Contest after using Thera-Gesic®**

BEXAR COUNTY— Mary Ann W. applied Thera-Gesic® to her aching hip and one day later went on to win the State Hopping Contest. When asked what she likes most about entering hopping contests, she painlessly replied, "None of your dang business!"

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**Junction Stockyards Market Report**  
 Sheep and Goats  
 April 7, 2008

Total receipts 782 head. Old crop lambs 3-5 lower. Springers 2 lower. Choie 50-65# kids steady to stronger. Small kids & feeder kids 2-4 lower. Other classes steady.

#1 spring lambs 50-70 lbs.	1.05-1.15
#1 spring lambs 70-90 lbs.	98-1.14
Fat ewes	35-42
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	40-78
Solid Mouth Angora Stocker nannies	38-44
Stocker Angora Muttons	50-93
Angora Kids	80-1.29
Angora Kids-shorn	90-1.12
Weighing Angoras-shorn (thin)	10-25
Weighing Angoras-shorn (fat) nannies	30-40
Stocker Spanish nannies	65-1.05
Fat Spanish nannies	45-55
Fat Spanish muttons	90-1.12
Fat Spanish billies	78-1.10
Fat yearlings	1.05-1.15
Fat Spanish kids	1.25-1.43
Small kids	1.10-1.25
Thin kids	98-1.05
Spanish Nanny & Kid Pairs	\$30-40/hd

Next Sale April 14

**Ozona Joyous and Free Narcotics Anonymous Group**  
 Mondays 7-8 p.m. Thursdays 7-8 p.m.  
 Knights of Columbus Hall  
 at the corner of Besente & Martinez  
 F.M.I. call Lissa at (325) 226-5299

**Fire department runs**

APRIL 2  
 • 1:25 a.m. - Grass Fire off of County Road 209, about 30 acres. Three units, five fire fighters, two units from Barnhart, two from Big Lake and one from Mertzon.

APRIL 4  
 • 8:59 a.m. - Tank battery fire 28 Miles south State Highway 163, vent and hatch fire. Three units and five fire fighters.

**Local EMS runs**

MARCH 31  
 • Transfer Patient transported to San Angelo Community Hospital.

APRIL 1  
 • Local Run Patient transported to Family Health Clinic.  
 • Transfer Patient transported to Shannon Medical Center.

APRIL 3  
 • Transfer Patient transported to Shannon Medical Center.

APRIL 4  
 • Local Run Patient transported to Family Health Clinic.  
 • Local Run Patient transported to Family Health Clinic  
 • Transfer Patient transported to Shannon Medical Center.

**EXTREME WILDFIRE DANGER ALERT**

Due to dry, drought-like conditions, Crockett County is under an "Extreme Wildfire Danger Alert" and has been included in the state disaster proclamation issued by Governor Rick Perry in response to the threat posed by wildfires rapidly spreading in areas across the state. Crockett County Commissioners' Court advises all residents and visitors to proceed with caution when working outdoors, especially on dry, windy days. For more information, visit the Texas Forest Service at <http://txforestservice.tamu.edu>.

This report provided by **RINDATA** For a complete report, call (800) 627-9785

**Rig Locations**  
 For Crockett, Sutton, Terrell and Reagan counties

As of April 4, 2008

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Finl Natural Res	13900	Kenley #2-3-83	Patterson Drilling/A 169	Drig Ahead
New Approach Operating	9000	University 42-14 #3	Nabors Drilling (O) 353	Rigging Up
Approach Operating	9000	Cinco Terry - F- #2001	Nabors Drilling (O) 709	Drig Ahead
Walter O & G Corp	9000	M Elliott #2	Patterson Drilling/A 118	Drig Ahead
New Approach Operating	9000	J R Bailey - A- #621	Patterson Drilling/A 710	Drig Ahead
Stangelec Prod Co	8500	University 12- #2	Nabors Drilling (O) 442	Drig Ahead
Eg Resources/Mid	7500	Weatherly-Fryar -B4- #1	O'Ryan Drilling Lk	Drig Ahead 10429'
New Finl Natural Res	6000	Kincaid -B- #1-36a	Patterson Drilling/A 721	Drig Ahead
Oxy Permian/Houston	5800	South Cross Unit #248	Patterson Ltu/Midlan 607	Drig Ahead 3944'

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
New Highmount E&P Tx	9875	Jerry Johnson #3091	Patterson Drilling/A 79	Drig Ahead
New Highmount E&P Tx	8995	Genil- 39- #22	Helmerich & Payne/S 383	Drig Ahead
New Highmount E&P Tx	8975	Shurley Rr- 116- #9	Helmerich & Payne/S 304	Drig Ahead
New Highmount E&P Tx	8975	Edwin S Mayer Jr- B38- #4	Patterson Drilling/A 742	Drig Ahead
New Highmount E&P Tx	8950	Joe M Vanderstucken #15	Patterson Drilling/A 39	Drig Ahead
New Highmount E&P Tx	8650	Duke Wilson- 171- #25	Patterson Drilling/A 120	Drig Ahead
New Highmount E&P Tx	8350	Edwin S Hill-Mayer Jr- J- #8	Helmerich & Payne/S 302	Drig Ahead
New Highmount E&P Tx	8300	Edwin S Hill-Mayer Jr- B- #7	Helmerich & Payne/S 301	Drig Ahead
New Highmount E&P Tx	7300	Kelly- 35- #3a	Patterson Drilling/A 40	Drig Ahead
New Highmount E&P Tx	7000	Canyon Ranch- 114- #18	Helmerich & Payne/S 305	Drig Ahead
New Highmount E&P Tx	6100	Steen #99	Patterson Drilling/A 105	Drig Ahead
New Kcs Resources/Pb	6000	H T Esby -B- #4	Patterson Drilling/A 161	Drig Ahead

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
New Wig Exploration	11000	Rucker- B14- #1	Bank Energy Svc/Mid 32	Drig Ahead
New Mariner Energy	10000	Malone- 9- #3m	Viking Drilling Lk	Drig Ahead 470'
Pioneer Natural/Irv	9500	University 2-5 #6	Patterson Ltu/Midlan 472	Drig Ahead 5248'
New Prime Operating/Mid	9000	Hunt #15-1	Adobe Drilling Mavr	Drig Ahead 7845'
New Mariner Energy	9000	Sau Mariner 32-3a #3a	Big Dog Drilling S	Moving On
New Mariner Energy	9000	North Siles Spraberry Unit	J B Hunt Gas & Oil 3	Drig Ahead 6164'
Pioneer Natural/Irv	9000	University 2-3a #4	Lariat Services/Ode 43	Drig Ahead 8323'
Pioneer Natural/Irv	9000	University 10-7 #5	Patterson Ltu/Midlan 76	Drig Ahead 8561'
Telesis Operating	9000	Rucker- B- #4b- #3	Sand Dollar Drilling 22	Drig Ahead 3200'
Broad Oak Energy Inc	9000	Sugg- A- #1421	Union Drilling Texas 210	Drig Ahead 7960'
New Pioneer Natural/Irv	8475	Merchant Unit #6804	Martinez Drilling 2	Drig Ahead

OPERATOR	PTD	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
Encore Operating Lp	12600	Banner Estate #49	Nabors Drilling (O) 641	Drig Ahead
Conocophillips/Odess	12500	Culbertson- 16- #6	Helmerich & Payne/S 214	Drig Ahead
Encore Operating Lp	12200	Bassett Goode #7	Patterson Drilling/H 19	Drig Ahead 11600'
Fasken Oil & Ranch	7800	Browne Ne- 184- #76	Patterson Drilling/A 42	Drig Ahead

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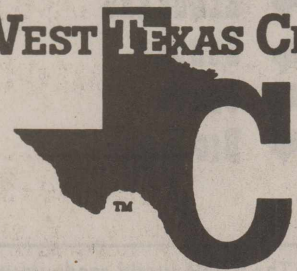
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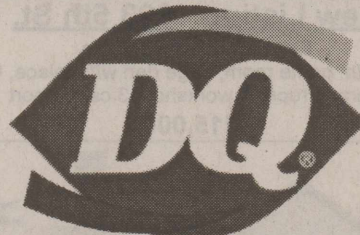
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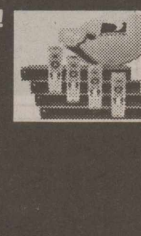


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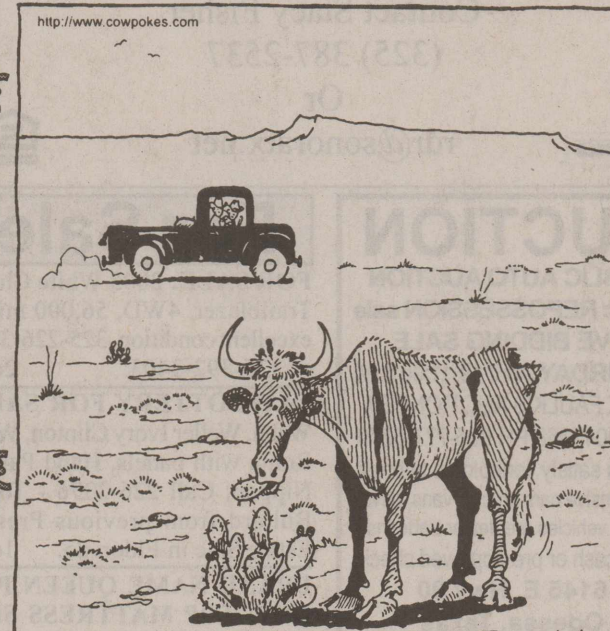


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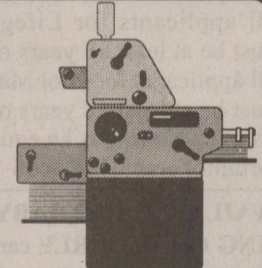
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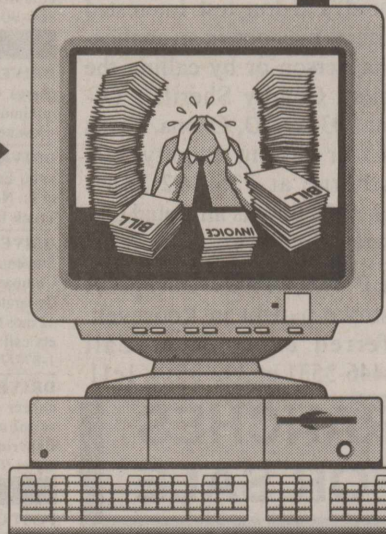
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