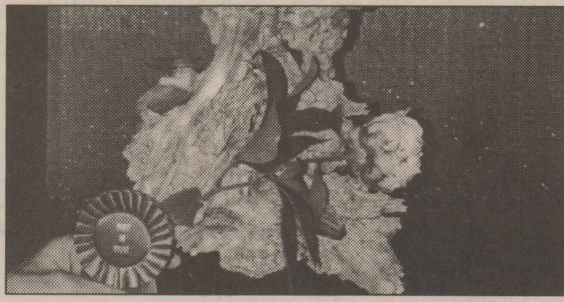
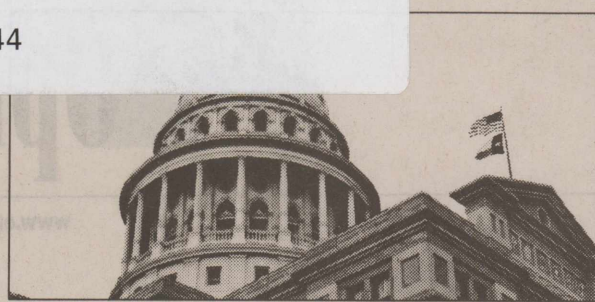


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Extra practice days

Swine flu postpones regional track meet, state academic meet for Ozona students

BY MELISSA PERNER
THE OZONA STOCKMAN

A case of H1N1, or swine flu, near Austin caused regional and state meets to be postponed until after May 11 last week.

University of Interscholastic League officials made the decision on April 29 on the recommendation of Dr. David Lakes, commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Service, and in consultation with Texas Education Agency Commissioner Robert Scott.

"The health and safety of our student activity participants is of the utmost importance," said

UIL Executive Director Dr. Charles Breithaupt. "Taking every possible precaution to prevent the further spreading of this disease is an important contribution to the welfare of our great state, and altering the schedule of our events is a way to keep our participants safe."

With these changes, six Ozona students who were originally set to compete at the state academic meet this weekend; will be competing May 25 and 26, the week of



TOP: OHS ACADEMIC STUDENTS (back row, left to right) Clarissa Burciaga, Lane White, Ethan English and Heather Thompson and Ethan English and (front row, left to right) Barbara Caperton and Daniel Anderson are headed to Austin for the state meet to be held May 25-26. RIGHT: REGIONAL TRACK QUALIFIERS (top row, left to right) Steven Silva, Ruben Rivas and Felix Venegas, (middle row, left to right) Ethan English, Fabian Onate, Russel Komechak and Jesse Badillo and (bottom row, left to right) Melanie Miller, Rebecca Ramos, Vanessa Rodriguez and Jessica Elston will compete May 19-20 in Odessa.



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H1N1 (swine flu) information

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security:

- People cannot get swine influenza from eating pork or pork products. Most influenza viruses, including the swine flu virus, are not spread by food.
- Eating properly handled and cooked pork products is safe.
- No food safety issues have been identified, related to the flu.
- Preliminary investigations have determined that none of the people infected with the flu had contact with hogs.
- The virus is spreading by human-to-human transmission.
- There is currently no vaccine available for humans to protect against swine flu.

The CDC recommends the following measures to prevent the transmission of flu:

- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze.
- Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it.
- Wash your hands frequently or use alcohol-based sanitizers.
- Try not touch surfaces that may be contaminated with the flu virus.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Try to stay in good general health.
- Get plenty of sleep, be physically active, manage your stress, drink plenty of fluids, and eat nutritious food.

What should I do if I feel ill?

- Stay home and avoid contact with others when you are feeling ill to avoid spreading illness to others.
- People with fever > 100 F AND cough and/or sore throat, runny nose, body aches, and influenza-like illness should contact their physician for possible influenza testing, especially if they have a history of recent travel to Mexico (within 7 days) or contact with a person who has been diagnosed with Influenza A.

- Information provided by the Family Health Center of Ozona.

Cinco de Mayo fun



THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS held their annual Cinco de Mayo celebration Sunday. The event featured a variety of activities. The Knights of Columbus would like to say "thank you" for everyone that helped and attended the Cinco De Mayo Celebration. It was well attended and everyone seem to enjoy themselves.

To our readers: Stockman to increase newspaper, subscription rates

BY MELISSA PERNER
THE OZONA STOCKMAN

With postal rates set to increase on Monday, May 11, The Ozona Stockman is raising the single-copy price of our weekly newspaper to 75 cents effective with the May 13 issue.

The last time the single-copy price of The Ozona Stockman changed was in 1996. Since then, the cost of newsprint and ink has increased dramatically as well as all other costs to produce and deliver a weekly newspaper.

Along with the single-copy price increasing, our yearly subscription rates will increase to \$28 for Crockett County residents; \$30 for Texas residents and \$33 for out of state residents.

We believe these increases are necessary to continue to provide the best newspaper in Ozona and Crockett County. We appreciate all the

support from our readers and our subscribers.

The U.S. Postal Service will raise the price of first-class stamps from 42 cents to 44 cents on Monday, May 11.

Customers can use their Forever Stamps — regardless of when purchased — to mail 1-ounce letters after the price change, without the need for additional postage.

Forever Stamps are widely available through post offices, commercial retail outlets such as grocery stores and at www.usps.com.

Prices for mailing services will continue to adjust each May, according to a press release from the U.S. Postal Service.

Prices for most shipping services, including Express Mail and Priority Mail, were adjusted in January and will not change in May.

For more information on the postage increase, visit www.usps.com.

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Opinion

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

'Law enforcement are not serving and protecting'

Dear Editor,

Here is a response to Mona Sanchez's letter. Of course, sitting in a prison cell is very different than being out in the free world. If I was in your shoes, I would be saying the same thing. But 90 percent of the people that go to prison for drugs come out doing the same thing they were doing before.

We understand everybody makes mistakes, but try to be more protective of the kids. We are suppose to show our kids

not to do drugs, not to protect and serve. The law enforcement are not serving and protecting when they are running license plates and parking beside your house to see what is going on. Then, when you walk out and they take off with their light off, you call that being safe?

Our condolences go out to you Mona about your brother. You realize now that it could have been you he could've gotten the drugs from, but it wasn't you. Hello, there is nothing in town that could keep these teen-

agers out of drugs, until they graduate and move and, as a parent, hoping they will better themselves.

And, you are right, it is nice to know that somebody notices that we are living in the 21st century and prejudice is still around.

We are all talking about harassment, and I'm sure you will think different being out of a cell.

JoAnn V. Galindo
Ozona, Texas

Teachers as Heroes

GUEST COLUMN

schools, a fact that doesn't make the news.

There is no precedent for the level of violence, drugs, broken homes, child abuse, and crime in today's America. Education didn't create these problems but deals with them every day.

You want heroes? Consider Dave Sanders, the schoolteacher shot to death while trying to shield his students from two youths on a shooting rampage at Columbine

High School in Littleton, Colo. Sanders gave his life, along with 12 students, and other less heralded heroes survived the Colorado blood bath.

You want heroes?

Jane Smith, a Fayetteville, N.C. teacher, was moved by the plight of one of her students, a boy dying for want of a kidney transplant. So this woman told the family of a 14-year-old boy that she would give him one of her kidneys. And she did. When they

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Thanks, Mom

Mom. Just saying the word makes me want to pick up the phone and give her a call. A habit I often do frequently.

Whenever I have problem, I often reach for the phone and immediately call mom.

I remember everyday after school, even when I got in high school, I would come home, sit at the kitchen table and talk to mom.

Mom always had the perfect answer to everything. I'm sure I didn't think so then, but now when I look back it mom was always right.

That thought does make me kind of said knowing all the minutes and hours I wasted by arguing with her because in the end she was right, just as she is still right.

When you're little, mom is there to give you hugs, to pick you up when you fall down and to cheer you on in all those activities. My mom was there for all that.

Mom even lived through those two years of piano lessons and all those hours of practicing. She lived through the clarinet, baritone and then percussion. Music to her ears, even on the wrong notes she would say.

That's mom! Mom was there for every band concert, stock show and school banquet. When she wasn't there, the first person I would call after we'd won or done something big was mom.

When I turned 18, and thought I knew everything there was to know about the world, I couldn't wait to get out on my own.

When I had my first "real world" crisis, the first person I called was mom.

I still call here after I return home from traveling. I call here when I need a shoulder to cry on or just someone to vent to when I've had those bad days. She's good at all of those things.

She calls when something pops into her mind, mails me things she finds interesting and often gives me a critique on my paper. She even points out my mistakes.

Who needs to go to counseling when you've got mom?

Moms come in all shapes and sizes these days.

Sometimes mom is really grandma, or aunt. Sometimes it's dad who gets to play both roles.

Columist Erma Bomeback said it best:

When the Good Lord was creating mothers He was into His 6th day of "overtime" when the angel appeared and said, "You're doing a lot of fiddling around on this one."

And the Lord said, "Have you read the specification on this order?"

"She has to be completely wash-



WHAT'S ON MY MIND

MELISSA PERNER

able but not plastic"

"Have 180 movable parts . . . all replaceable"

"Run on black coffee and leftovers"

"Have a lap that disappears when she stands up"

"A kiss that can cure anything from a broken leg to a disappointed love affair"

"And 6 pairs of hands"

The angel shook her head slowly and said, "6 pairs of hands.... no way."

"It's not the hands that are causing me the problems," said the Lord, "It's the three pairs of eyes that Mothers have to have."

"That's in the standard model?" asked the angel.

The Lord nodded. "One pair that sees through closed doors when she asks 'What are you kids doing in there?' when she already knows. Another here in the back of her head that sees what she shouldn't but what she has to know, and of course the ones here in front so that she can look at a child when he goofs and say, 'I understand and I love you' without so much as uttering a word."

"Lord," said the angel touching his sleeve gently, "come to bed. Tomorrow . . ."

"I can't," said the Lord, "I'm so close to creating something so close to myself. Already I have one that heals herself when she is sick . . . can feed a family of six on one pound of hamburger . . . and can get a nine year-old to stand under a shower."

The angel circled the model of a Mother very slowly. "It's too soft," she sighed.

"But tough!" said the Lord excitedly. "You cannot imagine what this Mother can do or endure."

"Can it think?"

"Not only think, but it can reason and compromise," said the Creator.

Finally, the angel bent over and ran a finger across the cheek. "There's a leak," she pronounced. "I told You You were trying to put too much into this model."

"It's not a leak," said the Lord. "It's a tear."

"What's it for?"

"It's for joy, sadness, disappointment, pain, loneliness and pride."

"You are a genius," said the angel.

The Lord looked somber. "I didn't put it there"

Thanks mom, for all that you do.

Happy Mother's Day to my mom and all the moms out there.

Out The In Gate



IT'S THE PITTS

LEE PITTS

I would've thought that as animals became domesticated their brains would have become larger, figuring that some of the intelligence of the supposedly smarter people would have worn off on the animals. But scientists say it's the exact opposite: as animals became domesticated their brains actually shrank. A lot! Horses brains used to be 16 percent bigger than they are now, back when they were wild and had no human contact. The brains of domesticated dogs have shrunk 10-30 percent and hog's brains have shriveled 34 percent. Just think how smart hogs would be if people hadn't dumbed them down!

I had the opportunity to prove this theory at an all-breeds bull sale many years ago. It was back in the day when many of the bulls sold at all breed events were haltered, fitted, clipped and I guess you could say... domesticated. At this particular auction yard sale both classifications of bulls were offered, show bulls and range ready. On Friday afternoon all the bulls were graded by a group of 20 cattlemen who sat in the seats and graded the bulls as they ran through the sale ring. The score they gave the bulls would be used to determine the sale order for the following day. For some reason, and I don't recall why, the bulls on grading day came in through the out gate and left via the in gate, exactly opposite of what they would do on sale day. Even the show bulls that could have been led into the ring were run in and out of the ring.

On Saturday when the first bull (the Ideal Range Bull) ran into the ring to be sold I knew right away we were in for a long day. Because the bull, which was a show bull, remembered leaving via the in gate on the preceding day, that's the way he tried to leave on sale day. I swear, it must have taken five minutes to get that bull out of the ring. The guys inside the ring were as good as you'd find anywhere but all day long they risked their lives playing bull fighter trying to get the bulls to follow them to the exit. By the end of the day the guys were as beat up as a used pinata.

Now here's the interesting part: when the range ready bulls, which were still wild enough that you might call them undomesticated, entered the ring they saw daylight at the end of the wide, sweeping ring and promptly headed out the out gate just like they were supposed to. The range bulls we could still sell at the usual clip of one every 30 seconds but nearly every time a fitted bull, what you call domesticated, came into the ring he immediately turned around and tried to exit through the in gate which was now closed. This went on all day and usual snappy sale dragged on for hours as we all

tried to shoo the bulls outside. A friend of mine who had just recently been married to a cute gal was working ring with me and every time one of these show bulls delayed the sale he'd come over to me during the break in the sale and say, "Those stupid bulls. I'm never gonna get home." This went on all day with my buddy's blood boiling every time there was a lengthy delay. "Those fitted bulls have to be dumber than a 15 year old fifth grader," he remarked, as he was itching to leave and growing more frustrated with each hold up.

Finally, about two hours later than we had expected, my buddy and I were leaving the sale. My friend was still cussing the bulls as we walked down a long hall to the side door of the auction facility. My friend was in such a hurry to get home to his new wife that he hit that door like a Chicago linebacker. This result sounded like a watermelon being hit by a speeding train. The door did not budge. My buddy sprained his wrist from hitting the stationary handle, the front of his hat crumpled against the glass and my friend got a big bump on his forehead he'd later have to explain to his new wife.

Realizing that my buddy had only recently been domesticated, I resisted the urge to point to the big sign on the door that read, "PULL." I also refrained from pointing out that, just like those dumb domesticated bulls, he'd tried to go out the in gate.

Legislators move toward reshaping focus of education

AUSTIN - The Texas House and Senate on April 30 passed legislation to revise the accountability system for public schools.

The legislation, SB 3 by Senate Education Committee chair Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, and HB 3 by House Public Education Committee chair Rob Eissler, R-The Woodlands, have long lists of amendments that must be agreed upon or discarded as the process moves forward.

Under both bills, the education system would be changed to focus on students' readiness for post-secondary education that could be college or other forms of training.

Shapiro said Texas' current accountability system has created an illusion of progress. "The passing standards on the assessments lack any link to success after graduation. The world today requires sound preparation. All students must be prepared for post-secondary education."

SB 3 and HB 3 update curriculum requirements for high school students. They'll take four years of math, science, social studies and English, two years in the same foreign language, and

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eight electives that could include fine arts, or career-in-technology education that gives students who don't plan on going to college workforce training.

In addition, school districts would have new accountability standards. Accreditation and performance ratings would be based not only on passing standards, but also on how students score on college readiness standards. Schools could receive recognition in more areas, for success in 21st century workforce development, fine arts, secondary languages, PE, and academic excellence.

SPEAKER NAMES BUDGET CONFEREES

The primary task of the Texas Legislature is to produce a budget for fiscal years 2010-2011.

The House and Senate versions of the \$180 billion (give or take) budget don't match, so the two bodies are going to have to compromise.

House Speaker Joe Straus on April 27 announced the following appointees to the Conference Committee on SB 1, the state's

biennial budget for 2010-2011: House Appropriations Committee chair Jim Pitts, R-Waxahachie, and vice chair Richard Raymond, D-Laredo; Ruth Jones McClendon, D-San Antonio; John Otto, R-Dayton, and John Zervas, R-Katy.

The five House members will work with five Senate members named earlier by Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst. They are: Senate Finance Committee chair Steve Ogden, R-Bryan, and vice chair Juan "Chuy" Hinojosa, D-McAllen, Shapiro, Senate Intergovernmental Relations chair Royce West, D-Dallas, and Senate Administration Committee chair Tommy Williams, R-The Woodlands.

June 1 is the last day of the 81st regular session of the Texas Legislature, so the pressure is on to wrap up the budget and get it to the governor.

BILL MAY CHANGE AGENCY'S NAME

SB 341 by Sen. Jeff Wentworth, R-San Antonio, proposes to rename the Texas Railroad Commission as the Texas Energy Commission.

The bill was passed by the Senate and now moves to the House for consideration. If the bill becomes law, the name change will be phased in before Jan. 1, 2010.

The Texas Railroad Commission regulates the oil and natural gas industry, pipeline transporters, natural gas and hazardous liquid pipeline industry, natural gas utilities, the LP-gas industry, and coal and uranium surface mining operations.

The Texas Department of Transportation regulates railroads.



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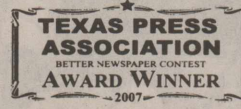
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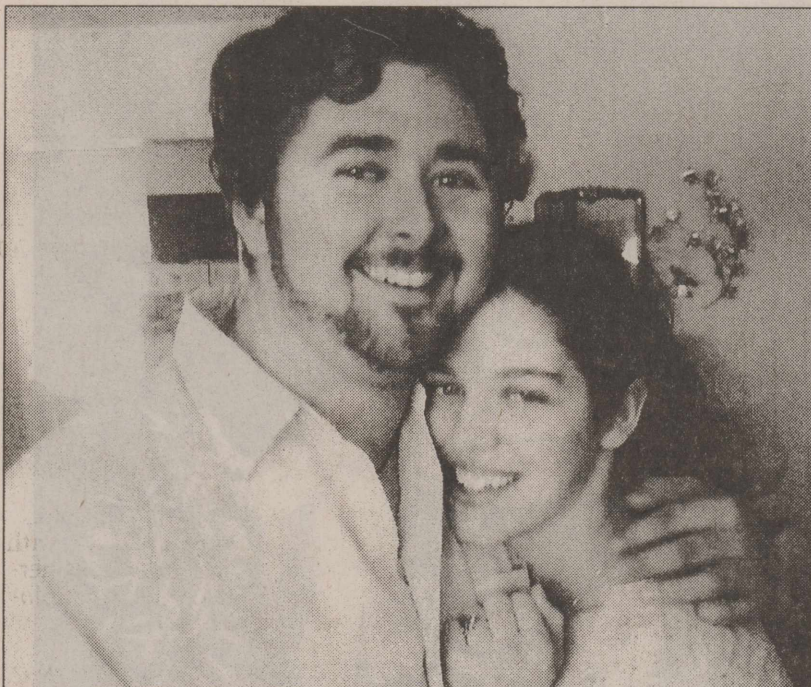


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Goff-Goheen to wed May 23

LaDawn Adcock of Ozona and William Sr. and Debra Goff of Pecos are pleased to announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their son William Dallas Goff Jr. to Courtney Goheen, daughter of Sue Goheen and granddaughter of Irene Goheen and the late Leslie Goheen of Odessa. Dallas is the grandson of Raymond and Jettie Adcock of Ozona and Sopa Goff of Phoenix and the late Gene Goff and the late Gaylia Goff.

The bride-elect is a 2005 graduate of Odessa High School and will graduate from UTPB in Odessa on May 9 with a bachelor of arts degree in mass communications.

The bridegroom-elect is a 2003 graduate of Pecos High School and a 2007 graduate of Howard Payne University in Brownwood with a bachelor of arts degree in Christian studies.

The couple will wed on May 23, 2009 in an outdoor ceremony at the UTPB CEED building with Donald McCaig officiating.



Phelps-Knaack to wed May 23

Mr. and Mrs. Castulo Bilano Jr. are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Jessica Annette Knaack to Mr. John Clayton Phelps II.

Jessica is a 2006 graduate of Ozona High School, and is currently a senior at University of Texas Permian Basin, pursuing a degree in elementary education.

John is a graduate of the Permian High school in Odessa. He attended Wayland Baptist in Lubbock, and has a bachelor's degree in occupational education, specializing in emergency medicine. He is currently employed as an instructor at Odessa Junior College. John is the son of the late Janet Phelps of Odessa.

The wedding will take place May 23, 2009 at the Ozona United Methodist Church. The ceremony will be officiated by the Rev. Reggie Baker of Odessa. A reception will immediately follow at the Fair Park Convention Center.

Community Calendar

Wednesday, May 6

- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Third grade students at the West Ranch.
- Ozona Community Center Graduation, 6:30 p.m. at the Ozona United Methodist Church.
- OMS Parent Meeting, 8 p.m. at the OMS Library.

Thursday, May 7

- OHS Athletic Banquet, 6:30 p.m. at the Civic Center.

Friday, May 8

- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- "Mariachi Ladies," 2-4 p.m. at the Care Center.

Sunday, May 10

- Mother's Day

Monday, May 11

- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Commissioners meeting, 9 a.m. at the courthouse annex.
- Ladies bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- TMTC tour of the EDRA, 4 p.m. meet at the town square.
- OHS Guitar Concert, 6 p.m. at the Civic Center.
- Ozona Schools Band Concert, 7:30 p.m. at the Fair Park Convention Center.

Tuesday, May 12

- Leadership class at the Visitor Center.
- Med Way Home Health blood pressure checks at the Senior Center.
- OHS Band Banquet, 7:30 p.m. at the Fair Park Convention Center.

Wednesday, May 13

- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.

Happy Birthday

- May 7 - Renee Padier, Jasmine Moran, Rick Storms, Kimberly Nowell, John David Craig, Monica Ortiz, Reagan Lee Barrera, Allyson Gaige, Luke Burk and Allisha Alba.
- May 8 - Lauren Najar, Samantha Lara and Ollie May Chadwick
- May 9 - Huey Ingram, Kevin Calloway and Irene Rios
- May 10 - Cora Williams, Mary-Linda De La Garza, Sandra Hernandez, Khalid Omar Valencia and Maria Rios
- May 11 - Kyle Webb, Paul C. Perner IV, Linda Anderson, Francisco S. Moran and John Kelley
- May 12 - Nancy Forehand, Cathy English and Cora Harrison

OZONA SENIOR HAPPENINGS

BY LYNN ENGLISH
SENIOR CENTER DIRECTOR

It is May and it is hard to believe that April went so fast.

May is going to be busy with graduations, prom, showers and the coming June weddings. Just dig in and know that it will be over soon. Next month will come the lazy days of summer.

We had our health fair but it was not attended as we had hoped. The vendors showed up with big smiles on their faces and they enjoyed being here at the Senior Center but many of the local people did not show up. Those who came stressed how much they liked the health fair and brisket lunch.

Med Way Home Health is scheduled to be here at the Senior Center on Tuesday, May 12, to check blood pressures and this service is offered to the public free of charge.

One of our board members Katie Friend is in Dallas with her mother who is terminally ill. Katie our thoughts and prayers are with you.

The "Walk Two Miles" ladies are still faithful about doing this exercise every Monday, Wednesday and Friday here at the Crockett County Senior Center at 8:30 am. You are welcome to join this group and get the exercise that you

need to keep healthy.

Monday and Thursdays at 1:30 p.m. is when the bridge players come to the Senior Center to play their favorite past time game. These ladies are faithful about coming and always have a fun afternoon.

We continue to have our regular activities: square dance lessons and dances, exercise class, bridge, bingo, home health, pool, canasta and puzzles. We also have a collection of books, magazines and three computers that are on the internet for seniors to use.

We have recently added to our activities a new projector with stand and a screen. Also for your enjoyment, we have a Wii game and three different simulating games. We are anxious for these games to be used.

Our activities are for those 50 years young and older. We will remain flexible as to age.

Jessica Knaack
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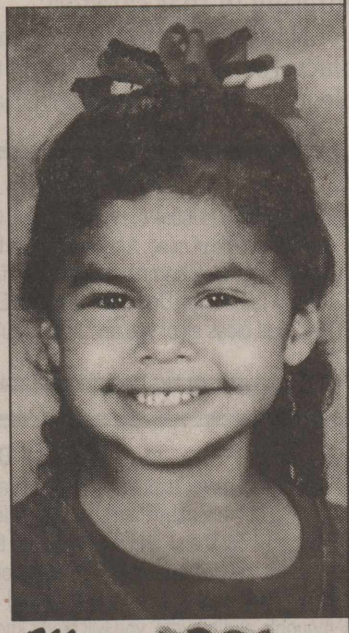
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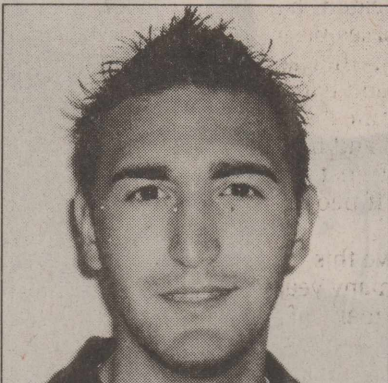
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Happy 17th Birthday Lauren



Lots of Love, Mom

Longoria to graduate from UTPB



The graduating class of The University of Texas of the Permian Basin has announced that Roger Longoria will be a candidate for the degree of bachelor of science in kinesiology on May 9 in Odessa.

Roger is the son of Rojelo

and Vicky Longoria and the grandson of Elena Tambunga and Manuel and Cecilia Longoria of Ozona. He has a brother, Tommy Longoria, who also resides in Ozona.

Annual Senior Spring Fling Thursday

The Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley, the City of San Angelo Recreation/Senior Services and the Concho Valley RSVP will be presenting the 22nd annual Senior Spring Fling - "Living Today for a Better Tomorrow" on Thursday.

This year, the event will be held at the McNease Convention Center located at 500 Rio Concho Drive. Cost of admission is \$3. Doors will open at 9 a.m.

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JERRI LYNN PIERCE won the Award of Excellence in Design in the Ozona Garden Club Flower Show with her entry in the "Friday Night Lights" category. First place winners in other categories are: "Giant" - Louise Ledoux, "High Noon" - Nancy Forehand and "Rookie" - Rosalind Williams.

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Flower Show



JEANNINE HENDERSON won the Horticulture Sweepstakes in the Ozona Garden Club Flower Show held April 29.



WINNING AWARDS AT THE GARDEN CLUB FLOWER SHOW are: (l. to r.) Pamela Maresch - Collectors Showcare and an Award of Merit for her succulents, Camille Jones - Award of Merit for her container entry, Nancy Forehand - Award of Merit - Peonies, Debi Hamilton - Aborial Award, Kathleen Shott - Award of Merit - Iris and Diane Phillips Award of Merit - Rose.

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CARMEN SUTTON won the Award of Excellence in Horticulture with her Slash Pine in the Ozona Garden Club Flower Show held April 29.

OZONA GARDEN CLUB NEWS

Flower show receives compliments

BY CHARLOTTE HARRELL
OZONA GARDEN CLUB

lotte Harrell, Louise Ledoux and Jan Van Shoubrouek also entering the category.

Jeannine Henderson won the sweepstakes ribbon in horticulture for a total of 68 points.

Ozona Garden Club thanks the following people for lovely Special Exhibits: Ozona Garden Club member Mary Jo Mason for displaying a collection of floral paintings; Ozona Garden Club member Vivian Childress for displaying a collection of flower photos from her travels; Ty Williams for an exhibit displaying conservation programs used in Crockett County to help conserve our land; and an exhibit displaying photographs of middle school children planting bluebonnet seeds to be used for soil conservation and to add public beauty to Johnson Draw. This display included photographs by Crockett County teacher Mary Anne Deaton and several Ozona Garden Club members.

Members of the Ozona Garden Club thank all the guests who braved high winds to enjoy the flower show.

Card of Thanks

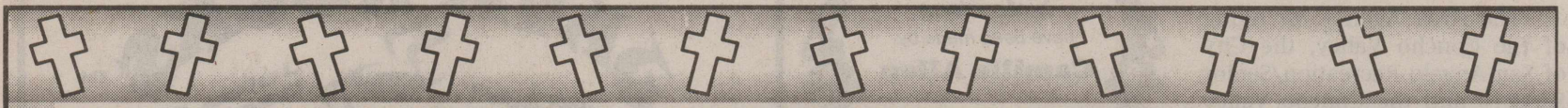
We would like to thank the community of Ozona for their donations, contributions and prayers during our time of need. A special thanks to Wayne Patterson & Terry Crawford of Ozona Deer Processing, Lisa Karnes at Circle Bar Truck Corral, Circle Bar employees, Sherry Sewell, Wendy Tambunga, Dora Mendoza and Diane Alsop for their help, donations and hard work. May God bless all of you and thank you for keeping us in your prayers.

Arretta, Anita & Angel Gandy

Card of Thanks

Words can never express our gratitude for the way everyone "rallied around" Linda and the rest of the family when she was rattlesnake-bitten. To the Crockett County EMS bunch (Sharon, Lou, Diana, and Bailey), you're the greatest!!! To the doctors and nurses at Shannon Hospital, you're awesome!!! To everybody who called, visited, sent cards/flowers/balloons/candy/text messages/e-mails/etc., and ESPECIALLY to all who have kept Linda in their thoughts and prayers, you will never know how much we appreciate it! We could not have made it through without your support.

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SHE WAS A SPECIAL GIFT

When God created the world and then made the first man Adam, (Genesis 2:7) He realized that Adam was not complete or that he lacked something so God created a helper or a helpmate, it could be translated a counterpart. It was the first woman, (Genesis 2:18-25) they are fully equal before God but each with unique and different roles. One of those special roles that women have before God is the blessing of bearing children. God also gave them the special ability to nurture. Since the beginning of creation everyone has had a mother except one and that is Adam. God tell us in His Holy Word, the Bible, to treat women and especially our mothers with respect and honor, (Exodus 20:12, Matthew 19:19, Ephesians 5:25, 1 Peter 3:7). This coming Sunday let us remember it is when we celebrate Mother's Day. Give them a call, or take them out to eat, visit them, send flowers or a card and you might be surprised what a little hug or a simple thanks might mean to them. It seems like we live in such a self-centered culture, may we not lose sight of respecting others and especially our mothers. Not just this Sunday but let us love, honor and respect them everyday of the year and hold them in high regard, (1 Timothy 5:2). See you in Church next Sunday.

Brother J

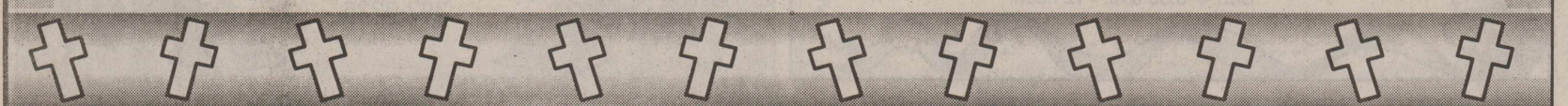
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FLU: Faculty vs. athletes track meet to support regional qualifiers Friday at Lion Stadium

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many end-of-school events including graduation.

In their original release, the UIL had canceled all the regional track meets and were going to determine state qualifiers by their performance at the district meets.

After collaborating with University of Texas officials and the 20 UIL regional track meet hosts, the UIL has tentatively rescheduled the regional track meets, according to an April 30 release.

Eleven Ozona athletes will compete May 19 and 20 in Odessa.

Due to this postponement, the district is hosting a student vs. faculty track meet at 4 p.m. Friday at Lion Stadium.

Former athletes are invited to help the regional qualifiers in 100-meter hurdles, 110-meter hurdles, 300-meter hurdles, 400-meter run, 800-meter run, 1,600-meter run, 1,600-meter relay, shot put and discus.

"This is all in good fun and the main goal is to show our support for the athletes getting ready for the real deal," said Coach Kristie Williams.

Workers, markers, timers and spectators are needed, Williams said.

"The more participation we have the more fun this could be," she said.

Anyone interested should contact Williams at Ozona High School.

OHS woodshop students' competition in Waco has also been rescheduled for May 18-19.

"We have postponed all field trips to urban areas for this week. We have had no reports of illness within the district," said Superintendent Abe Gott.

The UIL's decision came one day after health officials ordered a shutdown of every school campus in New Braunfels and Comal school districts until May 11 due to two cases of swine flu being confirmed in Comal County.

On Monday, the Austin American-Statesman reported that a case has been confirmed in Travis County.

The case was one of two previously classified as "probable" and involved a 5-year-old student at Lucy Read Pre-kindergarten, which has been closed by school district officials until May 11, the Statesman article stated. Tests are still pending on the second case.

As of Tuesday morning, the Center for Disease Control was reporting 279 cases in the U.S. with 41 in Texas.

The United States is reporting one swine flu death: a 22-month old boy from Mexico who was visiting relatives in Brownsville. He died April 27 night after being taken to a hospital in Houston, the health department reported.

Gov. Rick Perry issued a disaster declaration for all of Texas last week.

The disaster declaration enables the state to enact emergency measures and to seek federal money for protective measures.

Officials at the Family Health Center of Ozona said they are prepared with medica-

Trip changes due to swine flu

The following school activities will continue as scheduled:

- Wednesday, May 6, - third grade at the West Ranch.
- Thursday, May 7 - OHS Athletic Banquet, 6:30 p.m. at the Civic Center.
- Friday, May 8, - Faculty vs. Athletes Track Meet, 4 p.m. Lion Stadium

The following school activities have been changed due to swine flu:

- May 18-20 - High School Woodshop at Waco.
- May 19-20 - Regional Track Meet at Odessa.
- May 25-26 - State UIL Academic Meet at Austin.
- June 5-6 - State Track Meet at Austin.

tions and treatments if a case of swine flu is confirmed in Crockett County.

David Lakey, Texas Health commissioner, on April 29 delivered a public statement stating the Department of State Health Services is taking measures to prevent the spread of this disease.

"In communities where we have identified swine flu, we're asking the communities to do specific steps. We're asking them, at certain times when they have the disease in their schools, to close their schools. We're asking them to implement their Pandemic Influenza Plan so we are ready, and the community is ready, for whatever comes their way. We're working with health care providers throughout the state so they know what they need to do in order to protect your health."

A leading official at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta said Sunday that swine flu is in virtually every state, causing her to expect more severe cases and deaths nationwide in the weeks ahead.

"We do think this virus is widespread across the United States," said Dr. Anne Schuchat, interim deputy director for the CDC's Science and Public Health Program. "More people are getting flu. More people are being tested for it, and most of those people are recovering. ... I don't think we're out of the woods yet."

What's the big deal with swine flu? It's a novel virus that hasn't been seen before, and no one has immunity to it. However, it can be treated with Tamiflu and Relenza, and Perry said at the news conference the CDC has approved 850,000 courses of antiviral medication from the Strategic National Stockpile. Another 840,000 courses of medication are on hand that Perry and the Legislature authorized in 2007.

The Texas Education Commissioner Robert Scott said school districts that decide to close because of the swine flu will not be penalized academically or financially. The state will offer waiver days for the missed school so districts won't have to hold makeup days during the summer.

Commissioners approve resolution in support of oil and gas appraisal bill

BY MELISSA PERNER
THE OZONA STOCKMAN

During a special called meeting Monday, the Crockett County Commissioners approved a resolution in support of a state bill that would change how oil and gas mineral values are appraised.

If passed, senate bill 2557, filed by State Senator Carlos Uresti, D-San Antonio, would repeal Sec. 23.175 of the Texas Tax Code, which calculates oil or gas interest for appraisal property values.

If the statewide natural gas price for 2008 of \$8.03 per mcf is reduced by the Texas Comptroller's market condition factor of .604, then Crockett County's mineral appraiser will be required to reduce the value of the county's oil and gas properties, based on the current code, according to a letter from County Auditor John Stokes and Crockett County Chief Appraiser Rhonda Shaw.

With this current tax code, Crockett County would then lose approximately \$2.1 million in tax receipts for the 2009 tax roll if the 2008 tax

rate is used, the letter stated.

That tax reduction would represent about a 16 per cent decrease in revenues that would require significant reductions in county services, including road construction and maintenance, health care, public safety and many other services, the letter stated.

In the resolution, the commissioners requested that the Texas Legislature work with the office of the Texas Comptroller to address the comptroller's interpretation of the tax code and its effect on the mineral values in Texas counties and make all efforts to change the code to bring all Texas taxpayers into an equitable position.

The bill has currently been referred to the state finance committee. If passed, it will take effect Jan. 1, 2010.

Comptroller Susan Combs is scheduled to visit Crockett County at 12:30 p.m. May 22 at the Ozona Chamber of Commerce and Visitor Center.

The commissioners will meet in their regular meeting at 9 a.m. Monday, May 11, at the courthouse annex.

Stand for a better world Sunday

All citizens are asked to stand for five minutes of silence at 1 p.m. Sunday, May 10, in the town square park for the world's children and grandchildren, and for the seven generations beyond them.

People are being asked to bring bells to ring at 1 p.m. to signify the beginning of the five minutes of silence and to ring again to signify the end of the silent period.

During the silence, citizens are asked to think about what they can individually and collectively can do to attain this world.

Sitting is permitted. Afterwards, hopefully everyone can talk together about how we can bring about this world.

For more information, visit www.standingwomen.org or see Beth Hallmark at Java Rocks.

Off-road vehicle park tour Monday

The Texas Motorized Trails Coalition (TMT) is inviting the residents of Ozona to get a sneak peak at the Escondido Draw Recreational Area to open this summer.

Crockett County will be home to a 3,400 acre off-road vehicle recreation park located near Fort Lancaster.

It will be open to all terrain vehicles, off-road motorcycles and full-sized four wheel drive vehicles.

Plans include primitive and RV campsites, education centers and cabins. The park will include extensive trails for off-roading, as well as hiking, mountain biking and birding trails.

Want to see what all the fuss is about? Join them for a tour Monday, May 11, at 4 p.m. at the town square.

There, people can either board a bus or follow in their vehicle.

Anyone interested in hearing about the park development is welcome to attend. TMT will be giving a presentation at the park as well as sharing with the local boy scouts an area open for their development.

The bus will return to Ozona between 7-8 p.m.

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Computer students compete at TCEA contests

BY CATHY ENGLISH
OHS COMPUTER TEACHER

Several Ozona High School students had the opportunity to compete in the programming contests sponsored by the Texas Computer Educators Association (TCEA) this spring. These contests are a separate series from the

ones sponsored by the Texas University Interscholastic League (UIL).

In the TCEA competitions, the students are given 18 problems to solve. The problems range in difficulty. There are six easy problems worth two points each, six medium level problems worth five points each and six very difficult

problems worth nine points each. They solve as many of these problems as possible in the two hour contest.

The TCEA season began on Feb. 28 in Odessa. Ozona High School sent two teams to compete at this area contest. The team of Lane White, Clarissa Burciaga, and Duncan Knox won, scoring 35 points and beating teams from Andrews and Garden City. Our second team of Jayce Logan and Michael Medina also placed high enough to qualify for the TCEA State Competition.

The state contest was held on April 18 in Tyler, Texas. This contest is the largest pre-collegiate programming contest in the United States. In all, over 80 teams competed. The teams were split into three divisions. Ozona was placed in the division with other Class 1A and 2A schools. These included private schools from the larger cities as well as the schools that we normally compete with during the Computer Science season.

Due to some conflicts in the students' busy schedules, our OHS rosters had to be rearranged.

In this contest, Ozona's team one consisted of Ethan English and Michael Medina.

Team two was Heather Thompson and Clarissa Burciaga. Both teams scored points by completing several programs.

At the end of the day, the top Ozona team didn't place high enough to bring home a trophy, but we still were able to leave knowing that we had competed well, earning 26 points, only one point less than the third place team.

It was a long way to travel, but well worth the experience. The computer science teams really appreciate all the support of our community and schools and we look forward to the rest of an exciting season!



CATHY ENGLISH | SUBMITTED PHOTO

THE COMPUTER TEAM OF (left to right): Heather Thompson, Clarissa Burciaga, Ethan English and Michael Medina Jr. competed in the TCEA state meet in April at Tyler, Texas.



CATHY ENGLISH | SUBMITTED PHOTO

THE COMPUTER TEAM OF (left to right): Michael Medina Jr., Jayce Logan, Lane White, Duncan Knox and Clarissa Burciaga competed in the TCEA meet in February in Odessa. Michael and Jayce qualified for the state competition.



MELISSA PERNER | THE OZONA STOCKMAN

THE 2009-2010 OHS DRUM MAJOR AND COLOR GUARD ARE: Liliana Camarillo, drum major, (center), the color guard is (left to right) Gaby Gutierrez, Alex Macias (captain), Jadyn Poindexter and Roxanne Talamantez.

Please plan to attend the annual Ozona High School Sports Banquet

Come out and honor the athletes and their hard work.



Thursday, May 7
6:30 p.m.
Civic Center



Athletes and two family members are free.

Additional plates are \$8.00

Ozona Schools Spring Band Concert Monday, banquet Tuesday

The Ozona Schools Spring Band Concert will be held at 7:30 p.m. Monday, May 11, at the Fair Park Convention Center.

It will feature the sixth grade band, seventh grade band, Jazz Ensemble and the combined eighth grade and high school bands.

There will be music from classic television shows as well as from some of our favorite superheroes, said

Meeting notice to parents of OMS students

There will be a parent meeting on Wednesday, May 6 at 8:00pm in the OMS library to discuss curriculum we will be covering starting next week in science class. The program

Band Director Gretchen Bloebaum.

The OHS Band Banquet will be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 12, at the Fair Park Convention Center.

Photos are needed for the annual slide show at the Tuesday, May 12, OHS Band Banquet at the Fair Park Convention Center.

Photos can be emailed to Diane Lott at ddlott2@yahoo.com.

is called Worth the Wait and was developed by Scott & White. The curriculum is designed to make students more aware of the consequences of teen sexual activity.

End of School Events Calendar

- May 6 - Ozona Community Center Graduation, 6:30 p.m. at the Methodist Church.
- May 7 - OHS Athletic Banquet, 6:30 p.m. at the Civic Center.
- May 11 - OHS Guitar Class Concert, 6 p.m. at the Civic Center; Ozona Schools Spring Band Concert, 7:30 p.m. at the Fair Park Convention Center.
- May 12 - OHS Band Banquet, 7:30 p.m. at the Fair Park Convention Center.
- May 15 - Del's Little Schoolhouse Graduation, 6 p.m. at the Civic Center.
- May 19-20 - Regional Track Meet in Odessa.
- May 18 - OHS Academic Awards, 6 p.m. at the OHS Auditorium.
- May 22 - OHS Senior Class Trip.
- May 23 - OHS Prom at the Civic Center.
- May 24 - OHS Baccalaureate, 8 p.m. at the OHS Auditorium.
- May 27 - PPCD, Pre-K, Kindergarten, First and Second Grade Awards, 9-10:30 a.m. at the intermediate school gym; Ozona Head Start Graduation at the Civic Center.
- May 28 - Third, Fourth and Fifth Grade Awards, 9-10:30 p.m. at the intermediate school gym.
- May 29 - OHS Graduation, 8 p.m. at Lion Stadium.
- June 5-6 - State Track Meet in Austin.

- if you would like add an event to the calendar, call 392-2551.

Applications being taken for Water Camp

Applications are being taken for the Texas State Youth Water Camp to be held July 12-16 at the George and Opal Bentley 4-H Center in Monahans.

The Crockett Co. Groundwater Conservation District awards two individual \$1,000 scholarships each year to two high school seniors who reside in Crockett County.

One of the eligibility requirements for the scholarship is that the students must have attended Texas State Water Camp.

The Crockett Co. Groundwater Conservation District will sponsor students from Crockett County to attend this year's water camp.

The five-day camp focuses on water quality and conservation education and features field trips, tours and hands-on

group project work.

The camp invites 15 boys and 15 girls from all across the state of Texas. Participants must be of high school age and have an interest in water quality and conservation and be willing to participate as a team member during the five-day camp. This camp is not restricted to 4-H members.

The Crockett Co. Groundwater Conservation District will pay for the cost of the camp plus \$150 to the travel provider.

Anyone interested in attending the camp can call the Crockett County Groundwater District at 392-5156 or stop by 1102 Ave. I to obtain an application form.

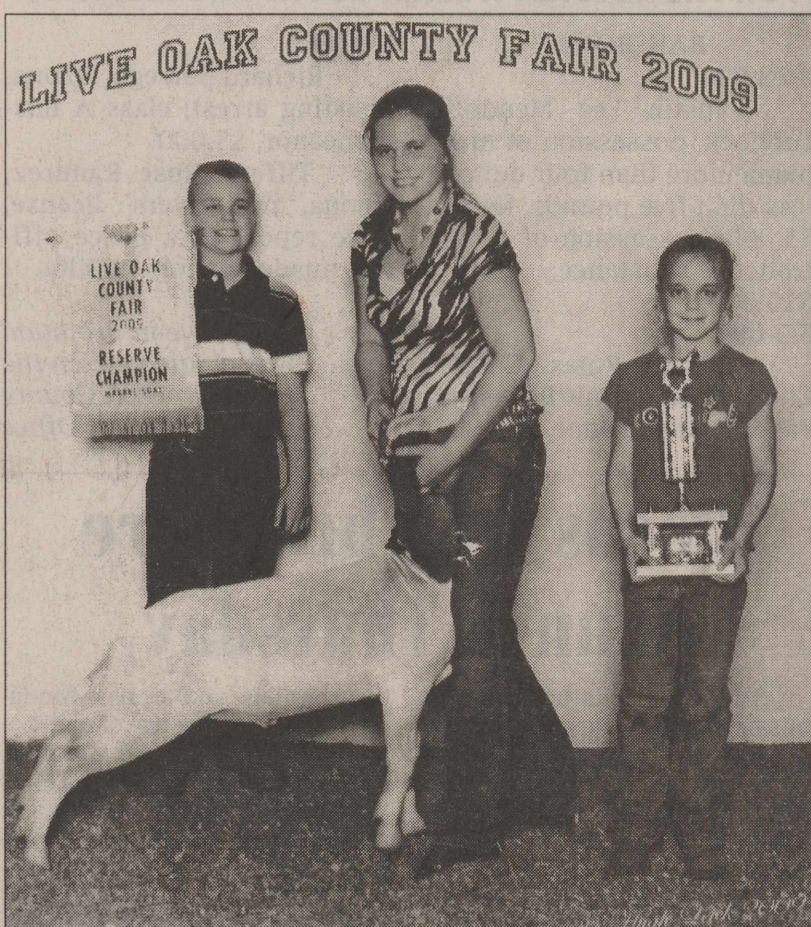
All applications must be turned in by May 15. Youths will be informed of their acceptance into the camp by June 12.

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BRITTANY CLIFTON, (center) daughter of John and Sharon Clifton and the granddaughter of Jim and the late Ethel McCrohan exhibited the Reserve Champion goat at the Live Oak County Fair in George West, Texas. Also pictured are Cole and Bailey Clifton. The goat was bred by Erby Chandler.

Cheyenne Coy receives Cielo Wind Power scholarship

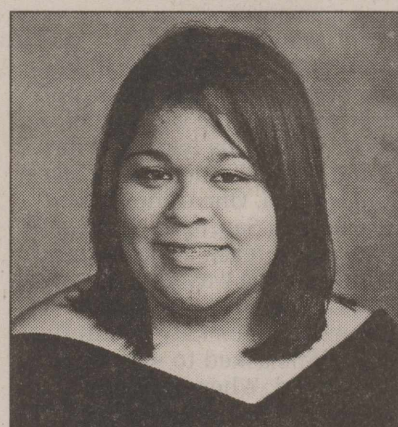
Cheyenne Christian Coy of Ozona High School has received the Earth Stewardship Scholarship Award from Cielo Wind Power.

Coy is a senior and member of this year's graduating class.

Award recipients were honored at Cielo's annual Earth Day Wind Ball held outside Amarillo on April 18 as part of Earth Day and National Environmental Education week.

Students were asked to write an essay describing their responsibility as earth stewards and how they will continue to pursue that responsibility in their education and career plans.

"The stewardship scholarship is a great way for Cielo to give back to local communities and recognize outstanding students who demonstrate a commitment to land stewardship," said Walt



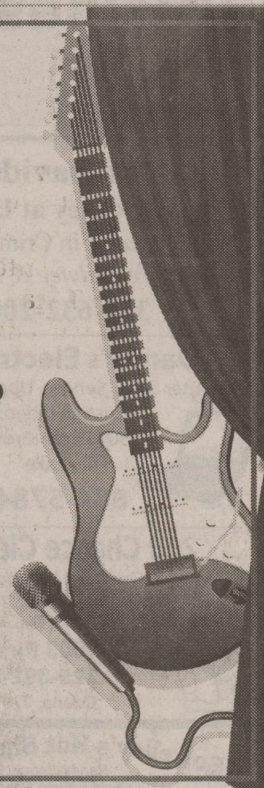
Hornaday, President of Cielo Wind Power.

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OHS GUITAR CLASS CONCERT

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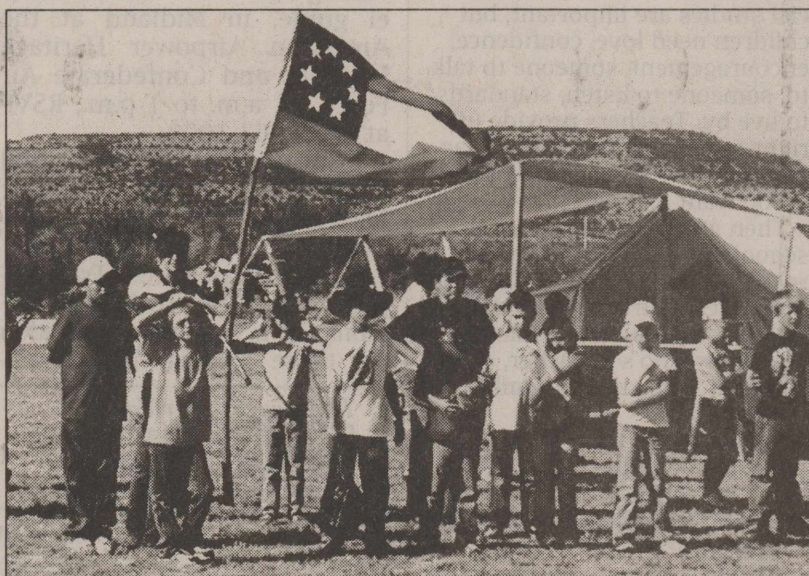
Fort Lancaster hosts Western Frontier Days

Fort Lancaster State Historic Site was host to almost 600 people last month during the first annual Western Frontier Days.

Students from Crane, Forson, Grandfalls, Iraan and Midland Christian participated in learning activities about life in West Texas during the mid 1800s. As the students stepped back in time they saw and learned about military camels from the Texas Camel Corps. They visited with 42 other volunteers that shared their knowledge about cavalry, infantry, artillery and life on the frontier.

Re-enactors from Fort Concho, Fort Mason, Fort McKavett and Fort Lancaster set up real life campsites with all sorts of displays to share with the students. They saw cannons being fired, a flag ceremony and visited with the Lipan Apache Indians about the history of that tribe. The U.S. Army from Goodfellow Air Force Base was on site to give the students an opportunity to try out some fire fighting equipment and climb into their big green fire truck.

The visitor center also had some special decorations to view from the students in Iraan and Ozona that participated in the coloring contest. Those pictures will be on display through May 10. It was all almost more knowledge and fun than they could take in on a single day. The students were not ready to leave when it was time to load the buses to return to school.



STUDENTS from Crane, Forson, Grandfalls, Iraan and Midland Christian participated in Fort Lancaster's Western Frontier Days last month.

Friday night, the Boy Scout troops arrived at the fort for the weekend. They enjoyed the living history on Saturday along with the students from the Seaborn Challenge Academy in Sheffield.

The boy scouts and other visitors were given a treat by the Seaborn students as they presented a drill ceremony on the parade grounds of the Fort. The Seaborn Students were also given time to visit with all the re-enactors. The boy scouts also participated in a

GPS course and were taken on a special hike Sunday morning after attending a short church service provided by Br. Andy from Sheffield.

Fort Lancaster State Historic Site is open daily 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

A Camel Expedition reenactment will take place Oct. 10-17 as a camel and wagon caravan will travel from Fort Lancaster to Fort Stockton.

For more information, call (432) 836-4413 or visit friendsoffortlancaester.org.

Photos needed for Band Banquet

Photos are needed for the annual slide show at the May 12 OHS Band Banquet at the Fair Park Convention Center.

Email photos to Diane Lott at dldott2@yahoo.com.

Youth Center Calendar of Events

May 11 - OHS Guitar Concert, 6 p.m.

Youth Center Scholarship Donations Being Accepted

The Youth Center Scholarship Fund is currently accepting donations. Donations can be made in memory of or in honor of friends or loved ones. Donations made to the account at Ozona National Bank. For more information, call Allen Williams at 392-3266 or Annalu Gonzales at 392-1300.

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TEACHERS: 'Go down to your local schools and see our real live heroes'

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appeared together hugging on the Today Show, Katie Couric was near tears.
You want heroes?
Doris Dillon dreamed all her life of being a teacher. She not only made it, she was one of those wondrous teachers who could bring the best out of every single child. One of her fellow teachers in San Jose, Calif., said, "She could teach a rock to read." Suddenly she was stricken with Lou Gehrig's Disease which is always fatal, usually within five years. She asked to stay on job ... And did. When her voice was affected, she communicated by computer.

Did she go home? Absolutely not! She is running two elementary school libraries! When the disease was diagnosed, she wrote the staff and all the families that she had one last lesson to teach ... That dying is part of living. Her colleagues named her Teacher of the Year.
You want heroes?
Bob House, a teacher in Georgia, tried out for "Who Wants to be a Millionaire?" After he won the million dollars, a network film crew wanted to follow up to see how it had impacted his life. New cars? Big new house? Instead, they found both Bob House and his wife still teaching. They explained that it was what they had always wanted to do with their lives and that would not change. The community was both stunned and grateful.

You want heroes?
Last year the average school teacher spent \$468 of their own money for student necessities... workbooks, pencils...supplies kids had to have but could not afford. That's a lot of money from the pockets of the most poorly paid teachers in the industrial world.
Schools don't teach values? The critics are dead wrong. Public education provides more Sunday School teachers than any other profession.
The average teacher works more hours in nine months than the average 40-hour employee does in a year.

You want heroes?
For millions of kids, the hug they get from a teacher is the only hug they will get that day because the nation is living through the worst parenting in history.

An Argyle, Texas kindergarten teacher hugs her little 5 and 6 year-olds so much that both the boys and the girls run up and hug her when they see her in the hall, at the football games, or in the malls years later.
A Michigan principal moved me to tears with the story of her attempt to rescue a badly abused little boy who doted on a stuffed animal on her desk...one that said "I love you!" He said he'd never been told that at home. This is a constant in today's society. Two million unwanted, unloved, abused children in the public schools, the only institution that takes them all in.

You want heroes?
Visit any special education class and watch the miracle of personal interaction, a job so difficult that fellow teachers are awed by the dedication they witness. There is a sentence from an unnamed source which says: "We have been so eager to give our children what we didn't have that we have neglected to give them what we did have."
What is it that our kids really need? What do they really want? Math, science, history, and social studies are important, but children need love, confidence, encouragement, someone to talk to, someone to listen, standards to live by. Teachers provide upright examples, the faith and assurance of responsible people.

You want heroes?
Then go down to your local school and see our real live heroes - the ones changing lives for the better each and every day!
Now, pass this on to someone you know who's a teacher, or to someone who should thank a teacher today.
I'd like to see this sent to all those who cut down the importance of teachers. They have no idea who a public school teacher is or what they do.

Fire department runs

MAY 2
6:45 p.m. - Possible structure fire, smoke in building 700 block 14th Street. Used smoke removal fans. Three units, six fire fighters. Time in service 48 minutes.

Local EMS runs

APRIL 28
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MAY 2
• Local run - patient transported to Family Health Clinic
• Transfer - patient transported to Shannon Medical Center
MAY 3
• Local run - patient transported to Family Health Clinic
• Local run - four patients transported

FOR THE RECORD: WEEKLY COURT PROCEEDINGS

BAIL BONDS 5-4-09
4-28-09
• Justin Lee Mendoza, Lubbock, possession of marijuana more than four ounces, less than five pounds, felony, \$5,000; possession of a controlled substance, felony, \$15,000.
5-3-09
• Denise Rojas, Covina, Calif., driving while license invalid, misdemeanor, \$2,000.
• Richard Borrego, Ozona, resisting arrest, class A misdemeanor, \$5,000.
• Tiffany Rose Ramirez, Ozona, no drivers' license, false report to a peace officer, misdemeanor, \$2,000.

The above information was obtained from the Crockett County Clerk's Office

Pecos trail brochure launch Thursday

The Texas Historical Commission (THC) is excited to announce the completion of and unveiling of the Texas Pecos Trail brochure, the ninth in a series of regional heritage travel guides.
The brochure explores the history and culture of West Texas, showcasing the legendary Wild West, ecological transition zone and Native American rock art, while exploring the dynamic museums, nature tourism and the cowboy and Native American mystique.
Join the THC Thursday, May 7, for the launch and unveiling of their latest travel guide, in Midland at the American Airpower Heritage Museum and Confederate Air Force, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., RSVP at (432)-563-1000.
Speakers at the event will feature Mayor Wes Perry of Midland and THC Chief Deputy Executive Director, Mark Wolfe.
The Texas Pecos Trail Region, one of the 10 heritage regions, is a tourism destination for those seeking history, culture, heritage and art as a fundamental part of the travel plans.
The THCs award-winning, nationally recognized Texas Heritage Trails Program is a regional tourism initiative that encourages economic development through the promotion and preservation of Texas' historical and cultural resources.
The Texas Pecos Trail Region travel guide tours 22 counties including Andrews, Crane, Crockett, Ector, Edwards, Glascock, Kimble, Kinney, Loving, Martin, Maverick, Midland, Pecos, Reagan, Reeves, Sterling, Sutton, Terrell, Upton, Val Verde, Ward and Winkler.
The THC will print 550,000 brochures. A PDF copy of the brochure goes live on the THC web site the day of the launch. Hard copies of the brochures will be shipped to all the sites highlighted in the brochure, Convention & Visitor Bureau and Chambers of Commerce statewide, Travel Information Centers and to a national travel writers' database.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS:

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Armond B. Hoover Jr., Deceased, were issued on March 26, 2009, in Cause No. 1149, pending in the County Court of Crockett County, Texas, to: Bradley Van Hoover. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. c/o: Bradley Van Hoover 6995 Limerick Beaumont, Texas 77706 dated the 25th day of April, 2009. Stephen Taliaferro Attorney for Bradley Van Hoover State Bar No: 19621475 Attorney at Law P.O. Box 859 Kermit, TX 79745 Telephone: (432) 586-2020 Facsimile: (432) 586-2032. 1c15

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