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DeerFest, Wool and Mohair Style Show Saturday

BY MELISSA PERNER
THE OZONA STOCKMAN

Ozona will host two of its biggest annual events this Saturday, Dec. 3.

At 2 p.m., the Crockett County Museum will host their annual Wool and Mohair Style Show featuring Dolores' Unique Designs. This year's show will be held at the Crockett County Senior Center.

A stylish wool and mohair jacket will be given away at the event. Tickets are \$1 each or \$10 for 12. They are available at the museum or from any museum board member.

Lots of other prizes will be given away during the show.

In 1990, Dolores Vernor founded Dolores' Unique Designs in Camp Wood, Texas after discovering mohair.

She has designed jackets for former First Lady and current U.S. Secretary of State Hilary Clinton, U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchinson, R-Texas, and former Texas Governor Ann Richards.

"I cannot believe that this exists," was her reaction to the fiber she proclaims to be a hidden treasure.

She creates coats, dresses, scarves and socks, and feels a strong responsibility to educate people about the fabric created from the hair of an Angora goat.

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Schedule of Events for Dec. 3:



WOOL & MOHAIR STYLE SHOW

- 2 p.m. at the Crockett County Senior Center. Tickets are \$1 each or \$10 for 12 tickets to win the stylish wool and mohair jacket by Dolores of Dolores' Unique Designs. Tickets available the Crockett County Museum, The Ozona Stockman or from any Museum Board Member. Lots of other prizes to be given. All proceeds benefit the museum.

24TH ANNUAL DEERFEST



- 5:30 p.m. at the Fair Park Convention Center. Prize tickets are \$1 each. General Admission \$10 (includes meal), 10 percent of admission proceeds will benefit the West Texas Rehab. More than 75 guns, Gun Safe, a 2012 Polaris Ranger Crew 4x4, \$5,000 American Express Cards donated by Anderson Energy, \$10,000 in Gift Cards, numerous other prizes including blinds, hunting gear, feeders and the Yeti Cooler

Sale starting at 2 p.m. at the Fair Park Convention Center. For more information, visit www.deerfest.org or follow them on Facebook.

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Branch announces re-election for county commissioner

Randall Craig Branch is announcing his intent to run for re-election as Crockett County Commissioner, Precinct 3.

Branch was born in Midland County, Texas on Oct. 8, 1952. He graduated from Midland Lee High School in 1971.

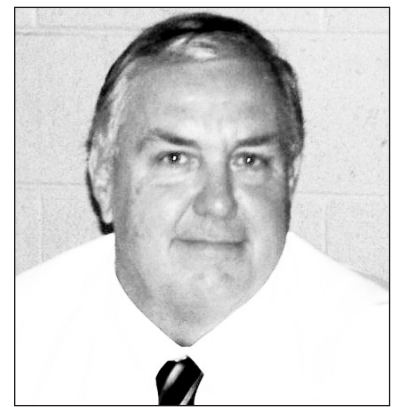
Branch married Aug. 10, 1973 to Melisa Leigh Bennett. The couple has three children Bryan, Charles and Angela and five grandchildren Tyra, Barrett and Bennett Branch, Kyler and Keegan Pitre.

Branch's college credits are from Midland College and Texas A&M University.

Branch has served on the following Boards for Crockett County:

1. EMS and Health Services Center Board of Directors
2. Civic Center Board of Directors
3. Deerfest Association Board of Directors
4. Ozona Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors
5. First Baptist Church Properties Committee
6. Crockett County Appraisal District Board of Directors
7. Past President of Ozona Lions Club

"I have enjoyed serving as your County Commissioner for the past seven years and would and I am anticipating a productive 2012. During my tenure as County Commissioner, our Court



has taken great strides in improving the community while keeping Property Taxes at a reasonable rate and also securing emergency operating revenues for approx. six months of operations. A few examples of improvements are:

1. State of the Art Pool and Water Park
2. Continually updating the local airport to help attract visitors and new businesses
3. Worked with our local Common School District to provide play ground equipment for the I-10 Park
4. New fencing around the I-10 Park for the Safety of our Youth
5. Developed a new Skate Board Park
6. Opened up a new addition to our Cemetery with new fencing
7. Updating our Historic Courthouse while maintaining ownership of the building (Ask me about this when you see me around town.)

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Little Indians all in a row



PRE-K STUDENTS dressed in their Indian headdress with turkey feathers sang at the Crockett County Care Center last week for Thanksgiving.

Rodriguez announces candidacy for sheriff

In announcing to the citizens of Crockett County my candidacy for Sheriff of Crockett County, I would initially inform citizens that I was born and raised in Ozona. My parents are the late Joe V. Rodriguez and the late Hilda Flores Porras. I am the grandson of the late Adolfo and Maria Rodriguez and the late Leandro and Josefa Flores, all of who lived and raised their families in Ozona. I have been married to my wife, Linda, for 36 years and we have five children: Mario, Melissa, Carlos, Robbie Lynn and Jim Bob, who have blessed us with 12 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. All of our children attended Ozona High School and have raised their families here in Ozona.

If elected Sheriff, I will bring a common sense approach using my 26 years' experience in local law en-



forcement to implement such approach for the department. In 1985, I was hired by Sheriff Billy Mills as a jailer. It was an honor working and learning the ways of law enforcement from a man like Sheriff Mills from whom I learned to apply a common sense approach to law enforcement.

In 1991, I received my certification as a peace officer and I was sworn in as a Crockett County deputy in

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Overseas prospects abound for small businesses

The idea of competing overseas can be intimidating, although the successful experiences of small businesses abroad prove the opposite. According to data from the U.S. Small Business Administration, companies that engage in international trade are 20 percent more productive, produce 20 percent greater job growth than non-exporters, and they are 9 percent more likely to stay financially solvent. No business is too small that it cannot become a successful exporter. Indeed, the U.S.

Small Business Administration estimates small businesses are responsible for 25 percent of U.S. export volume (in dollars). Furthermore, 97 percent of all exporters account for small businesses.



BUSINESS TIPS

DAVID E. RODRIGUEZ

One way to enhance business competitiveness is through expanding the customer base abroad. This provides an excellent opportunity to compete with foreign companies and encourage the creation of business efficiencies and product development. Another milestone of international trade is the development of economies of scale. Small business can take advantage of products that already have an acceptance worldwide. For example, a small company that produces pecans can

benefit from the acceptance of this product globally. Therefore, there is no need to spend resources in adapting it to each national or local market around the world. A major benefit of engaging in international trade is market diversification. Expanding to other markets offers a way to diversify the economic risk. When one's local market is in a downturn, the income from the foreign market can compensate the losses caused by the home market. Advancements in technology have significantly improved

and widened the ways to export. Large logistics companies such as FedEx, UPS and DHL have developed a large distribution network that facilitates and simplifies the export process for small enterprises. It is surprising how fast and easy an international shipment process can be. In the past few decades, the U.S. government has been working toward opening and granting access to more markets abroad for American companies through new free trade agreements and other international trade instruments.

Going global not only represents a big challenge for small businesses but a great opportunity of unlimited growth. Engaging in international trade provides many advantages, but to be successful overseas, the small companies should prepare carefully before deciding to go for their international adventure.

"Business Tips" was written by David E. Rodriguez, Certified Global Business Professional and Graduate Assistant of Angelo State University's Small Business Development Center - International Trade Office. Contact him at it@angelo.edu.

Holiday traditions

As we celebrate another holiday season, I thought it would be fun to see where some of our Christmas traditions come from.

Dec. 25 - The Christian Church designated Dec. 25 as the official date of Christmas to coincide with Roman winter festivals, notably those of the pagan gods Mithra and Saturn. The choice of Dec. 25 was made by Pope Julius I in the 4th century A.D.

Kissing under the mistletoe - The ancient Norse associated mistletoe with their goddess of love.

Holly - To Christians, the berries are symbolic of Christ's blood, and the thorny leaves suggest the thorns in His crown.

Poinsettias - Dr. Joel Poinsett, the first U.S. ambassador to Mexico, brought the plant back in 1828. Mexicans had long revered poinsettia because it resembled the Star of Bethlehem. The flower portion of the plant is the small yellow blossoms. The large red or white 'flowers' are actually leaves.

Christmas Trees - Germans, in the 7th century A.D. The practice of bringing evergreen trees indoors and decorating them for winter festivals predates Christianity in Northern Europe. Although German-American Christmases featured trees from Colonial times, it was Queen Victoria's marriage to her German cousin, Prince Albert, in 1840 that brought them to the forefront. Albert carried the practice with him to England, and Christmas trees quickly caught on in the United Kingdom and United States alike. In the 16th century, Martin Luther supposedly awed at the brilliance of stars shining through evergreen branches. Luther attempted to replicate the vision for his family by placing candles on his Christmas tree. NOTE: Don't try this at home! In addition to literally making the season brighter, Ralph E. Morris' electric lights in 1895 made it safer, as they were an alternative to candles and open flames.

Christmas Cards - Britain Sir Henry Cole commissioned the first cards in 1843, and fellow countryman John Calcott Horsley



WHAT'S ON MY MIND

MELISSA PERNER

designed them. In so doing, Cole and Horsley also coined the phrase "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year".

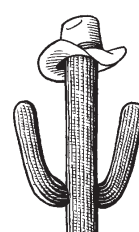
Candy Canes - Candy canes are generally considered to be modeled after shepherds' crooks, and the first record of them dates back to 18th century France, where they were given to children to keep them quiet during church services. Christians believe the significance of the red and white striping is symbolic of Jesus' blood (red) and purity (white). **Fruitcake** - The exchange of fruitcakes during the holiday season has become a perennial joke. But the custom originated out of the need to make sweets from foods available in winter - and in pre-industrial times, that meant using fruit preserves. In America, fruitcakes have been a popular Yuletide delicacy since Colonial times.

Santa Claus - Saint Nicholas was a fourth century bishop in Asia Minor. Known for his generosity toward children and the poor, he suffered persecution until the Roman emperor Constantine embraced Christianity in 312 AD. After that, Nicholas became a high Church official. Early Dutch settlers in America called St. Nicholas "Sinterklass". Later, English settlers adopted the name but changed the pronunciation slightly to Santa Claus. A 19th century European folk legend told of "Christkindlein," or the Christ child, who brought gifts to good children on Christmas Eve with the aid of an elf (sometimes called Pelznickel or Belsnickle). Eventually, this legend was combined with that of St. Nicholas, and in America, the pronunciation became "Kris Kringle."

Source: "The Great American Christmas Quiz"

MELISSA PERNER is the editor and publisher of The Ozona Stockman. Time to trim the tree!

Off, And Running



IT'S THE PITTS

LEE PITTS

Cow racing started off innocently enough.

We were just a bit overstocked on the ranch so it was only natural that every time the cattle saw the hay truck they would run to greet it. And since man by nature is a gaming animal, it was only natural that my wife and I would bet on the outcome of these mad dashes by half starved bovine sprinters. It took some of the drudgery out of feeding.

"I'll bet five dollars on Sore Foot to win, place or show up," I told my wife. Sore Foot was thin and emaciated like all good running Greyhounds.

My wife, the bookie, took the bet. She suggested another wager. "I'll bet you that our old Hereford cow will reach the truck first. If I win, I get to drive the truck and you have to feed."

"That's a bet," I eagerly agreed. After all, my wife's pick, the oldest cow in the herd, was racing with blinkers... two pink-eye patches.

My five dollar bet returned four dollars for Sore Foot's third place showing. It turned out that cow racing was just like the cow business. Spend five, win four. The old Hereford cow came in first going away and my wife really rubbed it in by driving too fast and then rapidly applying the break to see if I could stay on top of the hay.

At this point my wife became a cow

racing addict. All she wanted to do was feed cows. In the second race she again bet on the old Hereford cow who she now called Timeto Thinkrich. I bet my gloves she wouldn't win. I had inside information this time. The old cow had given birth to a calf the day before and I knew she wouldn't leave the new calf for a flake of hay.

The cow went off at 20:1 and my wife called the truck horn and they are off. Timeto Thinkrich is in the lead followed by Woman O'War in second. Go Girl Go is next followed closely by Secretary." (Needless to say, my wife names almost all our cows.) "Foolish Pleasure rounds out the field," she continued. Foolish Pleasure was Sore Foot's new name and for some strange reason, I bet on her again. In a photo finish my wife won the daily double. The old Hereford cow finished first and her newborn calf came in second. My wife stood proudly in the winner's circle.

It was at this point that I became a professional racing cow trainer. I had a good

two year old running heifer in my stable that I called Buck Passer. I called her that because she was good at transferring property. I fed her extra feed to get her in better running shape but the racing steward, who was also my bookie and my wife, tried to disqualify her for having traces of LA 200 in her blood.

I trained Buck Passer with heel flies. Race day was cold and dreary and it would be a muddy track. I bet all my money and my good woolen shirt on Buck Passer to win. She went off at even money.

My wife again called the race. As the old Hereford cow crossed the finish line my wife looked through her opera glasses and informed me that Buck Passer was engaged in sexual activity with the neighbor's bull. She was not running. Buck Passer had taken me for a ride.

Love and racing simply do not mix. When my wife won she got all the money, but when she lost she still somehow ended up with all the money but in addition she got mad and wouldn't speak to me. So I'd say the overall results were both good and bad.

The only thing I'd learned from my cow racing experience was that when I bet on the races I lost everything I brought with me. If my wife keeps taking my money maybe I'll take her with me to the hog races next summer at the county fair.

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Courts figure heavily in Texas redistricting battle

STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling | Texas Press Association

AUSTIN — Texas' redistricting maps that employ data from the 2010 U.S. Census are now under the scrutiny of a three-judge federal district court panel in San Antonio.

Passed by the Texas Legislature in May, the maps failed to receive preclearance by the U.S. Department of Justice. The U.S. Supreme Court then gave the U.S. District Court, Western District of Texas, the job of redrawing the state Senate, state House and congressional district boundaries in accordance with the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

Critics of the proposed maps claim lines drawn by the Republican-dominated state Legislature dilute the voting power of communities of interest in several areas of the state. House Speaker Joe Straus, R-San Antonio, issued a statement on Nov. 22, asking the federal judges who drew a preliminary set of lines earlier this month, "to take into account the will of the people of Texas as expressed by their elected representatives."

Straus went on to say, "If the

final order of the court is not substantially closer to the plan we passed, I will urge (Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott) to seek an immediate stay from the U.S. Supreme Court so that several issues under the Voting Rights Act can be clarified before the federal judges impose their new map on Texas voters for the 2012 elections."

On Nov. 27, Abbott filed emergency stays with the U.S. Supreme Court, challenging the House and Senate redistricting maps drawn by the three-judge panel.

Texas Legislative Council on Nov. 23 posted the panel's proposed sets of lines at <http://www.tlc.state.tx.us/redist/redist.html>.

INPUT RECEIVED ON DNA ISSUES

A Nov. 22 interim hearing of the House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence focused on DNA testing, a subject drawn to the fore after the recent exoneration of an Austin-area man after he served 25 years in

prison on a murder sentence. Under the direction of Chairman Pete Gallego, D-Alpine, the committee heard invited testimony. Topics of discussion included testing technology, the integrity of evidence testing, testing centers and crime labs, the practicality of not destroying but retaining and storing evidence, and the cost of testing.

Also discussed were wrongful convictions, exonerations, the death penalty and criminal laws, all of which may be affected by changing technology in DNA testing and the handling of DNA evidence.

LAWMAKER PLEADS IN FELONY

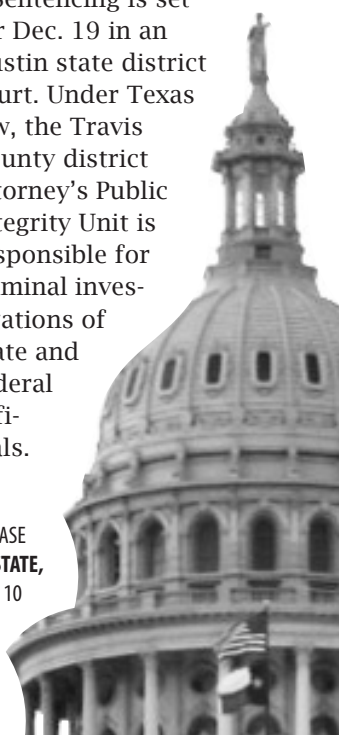
State Rep. Joe Driver, R-Garland, has pleaded guilty to abuse of official capacity, a third-degree felony. First elected to the Texas House in 1992, Driver earlier said he would not run for reelection next November.

Driver's pleading was made public Nov. 22 by Travis Coun-

ty District Attorney Rosemary Lehmburg, who said Driver is accused of converting more than \$20,000 of state travel reimbursement funds intended for his campaign office holder account by depositing those funds into his personal account.

Sentencing is set for Dec. 19 in an Austin state district court. Under Texas law, the Travis County district attorney's Public Integrity Unit is responsible for criminal investigations of state and federal officials.

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Christmas Tour of Homes set for Dec. 11

The Friends of the Library annual Christmas Tour of Homes is set for Dec. 11.

This year, there are three homes and two businesses on the schedule.

Homes featured this year are: Amy Conner at 301 11th St., Marie Barrett at 1007 Henderson Drive and Darolyn Webster at 107 Country Club Drive.

"I love Christmas, so my house has Christmas in nearly every room. I have been collecting Christmas decorations since Ricky and I married in 1977, so I have tons. I started collecting Santa's early in our marriage with one I picked up in Ruidoso. When Seth was in Mrs. Porter's class in kindergarten, they made these precious snowmen out of baby food jars and socks, and that started my snowman collection," said Darolyn Webster.

Along with the Santa's, Ann Shaw gave the Websters a beautiful Nativity scene that started their Nativity collection.

Then, on a whim, Webster started a miniature Christmas tree collection.

"See what I mean! I'm obsessed. I had to finally tell myself to stop over the weekend because I thought I was going a little over the top. I did feel the Lord leading me to place a Nativity scene in every room, because I felt Him telling me: 'Keep me as the reason for this season,'" she said.

This is the third time the Websters have been asked to do the home tour.

"I have put it off, because, to be honest, I felt like it was showing off. Maybe I've been looking at it the wrong way. The Lord and I had a talk when Ricky and I were deciding to buy this home, and I told Him I wanted to use this home to honor and glorify Him whenever I could, so hopefully, this is an opportunity to do that—to open our home and share Christ's



THE HOMES OF Marie Barrett, 1007 Henderson Dr., (top) Darolyn Webster, 107 Country Club Drive (middle) and Amy Conner, 301 11th St. will be featured during the Friends of the Library Christmas Tour of Homes on Dec. 11. The tour will be from 2-5 p.m. Tickets are \$5 each.

love," she said.

Conner said her Christmas decorations are very traditional and family oriented.

Ornaments on their tree reflect Conner's son Chantz with photos and ornaments from Chantz's grandparents.

There's a Christmas Village started by Conner's mother-in-law Shelly.

"It's stuff we love. It's very much a family event," Conner said. "It's just home."

Conner's house is also filled with history being

moved from the town of Emerald.

"That's the most nostalgic thing about this house," she said.

The three businesses that will be on the tour are Blanca's House of Flowers, Kerrie's Creations and Kathy's Collectibles.

The tour end will end at the Crockett County Public Library's Open House for refreshments and door prizes.

The tour will be from 2-5 p.m. Tickets are \$5 each.

For more information, call the library at 392-3565.

Santa Letters due Dec. 9

Send your "Letter to Santa" to The Ozona Stockman this year.

Just mail your letter to "Santa Letters," c/o The Ozona Stockman, P.O. Box 370, Ozona, Texas 76943, or drop it off at the office at 1000 Avenue E by 5 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 9.

Letters may also be emailed to Santa at publisher@ozonastockman.com.

Santa letters will be published in the Dec. 21 edition of the Stockman.

Ozona Chamber hosting ribbon cutting for new business

The Ozona Chamber of Commerce will host a ribbon cutting for the new Snowflake Donuts & Kolache Shop today, Nov. 30.

Ribbon cutting and announcements will take place at 11:45 a.m. at the shop located at 903 15th St. The public is invited to attend.

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

Holiday Hands Christmas Arts & Crafts Fair Dec. 8

The Holiday Hands Christmas Arts and Crafts Fair will be held from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 8 at the Crockett County Civic Center.

Vendors will be coming from Ozona, San Angelo, Christoval, Eldorado, Crane, Odessa and Fort Stockton.

Come and shop early for unique one-of-a-kind Christmas gifts. There will be a raffle and door prizes.

Lunch will start to be served at 11 a.m. Cost is \$7 for chili, cornbread, dessert and ice tea or \$1.50 for a hotdog and tea.

Proceeds go toward Helping Hands for the Elderly Inc. Meals on Wheels.

For more information, call 226-4777.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Wednesday, Nov. 30

- Exercise Classes, 8 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Chamber of Commerce Ribbon Cutting, 11:45 a.m. at the Snowflake Donuts & Kolache Shop, 903 15th St.
- Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Thursday, Dec. 1

- Varsity Lions and Lady Lions at the Irion County Tournament.
- JV Lions and Lady Lions at the Eldorado JV Tournament.

Friday, Dec. 2

- Exercise Classes, 8 a.m. at the Senior Center.
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Saturday, Dec. 3

- Varsity Lions and Lady Lions at the Irion County Tournament.
- JV Lions and Lady Lions at the Eldorado JV Tournament.
- Toys for Tots at the town square, in the morning.
- Wool and Mohair Style Show, 2 p.m. at the Crockett County Museum.
- Crockett County DeerFest, 5:30 p.m. at the Fair Park Convention Center.

Monday, Dec. 5

- Exercise Classes, 8 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Ladies Bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- OMS Lady Lions vs. Wall at Wall.
- OMS Lions vs. Wall, 4 p.m. at the OMS Gym.
- Crockett County Senior Center Board meeting, 6 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Tuesday, Dec. 6

- JV and Varsity Lady Lions vs. Junction, 5 p.m. in Ozona.
- Freshmen, JV and Varsity Lions vs. Ingram, 4 p.m. in Ozona.
- Levis and Lace Square Dance lessons, 7 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Wednesday, Dec. 7

- UIL District Academic Meet at Ozona Elementary and Middle Schools.
- Exercise Classes, 8 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Happy Birthday

Nov. 30 - Robert Flores, Sheri Webster Hill, Larry Williams, Joey Pierce, Helen Wall, Matthew Bullard, Narce Delia Unate, Kristen Shurley and Ingrid Silva

Dec. 1 - Scott Kelly, Brianna Lozano, Ashlee Allen, Roberto Hernandez, Amanda Ortiz, Blake Morrow, Domingo Perez and Nell Wester.

Dec. 2 - Danny De Hoyos, Bobby Kelly Williams, Juan Mendez, Jerzie Stella Sanchez, Nancy Childress, Maria C. Gutierrez, Traci Duncan, Rick Anderson, Salvador Mata, Matias Gandar III, Ellie Tijerina, Traci Garcia, Arron Martinez and Sue Owensby

Dec. 3 - Randy Kennedy, Ianaa Hernandez, Chelsey Najar, Angelo Vitela, Kelli DeHoyos and Petra Hernandez

Dec. 4 - Jackie Rose Sanchez, Joe Sanchez, Samuel Maskill, Kayla Scott, Levi Bishop, Natalie Hernandez, Casey Mendoza and Rocky Munoz

Dec. 5 - Susan Williams, Roman Tambunga, Melissa Glosson and Megan McDaniel

Dec. 6 - Eddie Moore, Kyle Dean, Matt McGuire, Candace Gandar, Miguel Hernandez, Connie Arredondo, Vince Castro Jackie Sanchez, Joe Sanchez and Andrea Borrego

Veterans Red Shirt Program

Any veteran that wants a red shirt with "Crockett County Veterans" insignia on it and a branch of service patch on the sleeve, can call Selena Newby by text or phone at

(325) 226-2049 or 392-2537. Selena is also on Facebook and on Twitter at newsel.

Cost will be determined by the number participating.

Christmas Goodies for our Troops Drive

The Ozona Military Support Group is conducting the annual "Christmas Goodies for our Troops" Drive.

Boxes will be placed at Dollar General and Crockett County Courthouse Annex for donations. Any and all donations are appreciated.

An account has been set up at Crockett National bank for monetary donations to cover shipping charges.

Items can include: beef jerky, flower seeds, gum, candy, packaged cookies, crackers, Chex mix, nuts, books, magazines (sports, games, puzzles, etc.), individual powder drink mixes, individual size ready to eat puddings, Jello, fruit cups, packaged dry fruit, pretzels, letter stationary, envelopes, stamps, socks, disposable razors, hometown items (t-shirts, beanies, caps, etc)

Updated addresses for local troops are also needed.

For more information, call Sylvia Lara at (325) 226-2944.

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OZONA SENIOR HAPPENINGS

Senior Center board meeting Monday

BY LYNN ENGLISH
SENIOR CENTER DIRECTOR

Thanksgiving has come and gone. I trust everyone had a wonderful day. We will soon be having Christmas and New Year.

Last Tuesday, Helping Hands had their annual Thanksgiving lunch. We had a really nice meal with about 73 attending.

Rosalind Williams is said to be getting better and will be going back to St. John's for physical therapy. We are very happy that she is progressing and are anxious for her to return home to Ozona.

This past week our friend Diane Phillips dropped by. It is a pleasure to see Diane, and we look forward to her coming to Ozona.

Saturday, Dec. 3, the Crockett County Museum will be having their Wool &

Mohair Style Show by Delores Unique Designs here at the Senior Center at 2 pm. This is always a lot of fun and some local models are used for this showing.

Next Monday, Dec. 5, Crockett County Senior Center Board will have their board meeting. All members are urged to attend at 6 p.m.

The bridge game will be played on Mondays at 1:30 p.m. Those who attend have the best time playing bridge, and they appreciate using our Senior Center.

Levis and Lace square dance lessons will be on Tuesdays but will occasionally be on a Monday night. Check with a square dance member to make sure of the day they are giving lessons.

Also, Levis and Lace have changed their regular square dances to every second and forth Saturday of

the month at 2-4 p.m.

Tuesdays have been set aside for any of you who would play dominoes. You can play at late AM or early afternoon. If you would like to set up a game, call Lynn English at 392-9094.

On Wednesday, a group meets to play Mexican Train. These players get competitive and have fun playing this exciting game!

We have our regular activities: bridge, bingo, pool, canasta, domino games, and puzzles.

We also have a collection of books, magazines, a Wii game, and two computers that can use the internet for seniors to use.

We also have a projector with a stand and screen as well as a wonderful keyboard.

Activities sponsored by the Crockett County Senior Center Board are for adults 50 years old and older.

OBITUARIES

James Leroy Green

JAMES LEROY (Jim) GREEN - On November 20, 2011 (11-20-2011), our beloved father, grandfather, and friend gave up his earthly home to be welcomed into the loving arms of his heavenly Father.

Jim Green was born October 7, 1936 in Edinburg, Texas to Charles G. and Ruth Paul Green. He grew up in the Valley, excelling in sports and then went to Texas Lutheran College where he prepared for his chosen career of coaching and teaching.

After sharing Elementary and High School, Jim married Peggy Freeze Green and they had four children together: Kellye, Lonni, Rikki, and James Bradley (J.B.).

Jim spent his early years after college coaching in the Texas school systems and afterwards held various positions in sales and construction. Jim returned to coaching and teaching in Iraan, Texas in the early 1980's and then moved to Ozona where he held various positions as a teacher and football and golf coach.

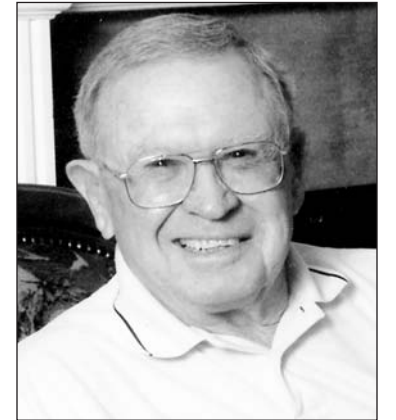
In June 1981, Jim married the former Zoe Miller and they spent 22 happy years together until her death.

They loved to spend time outdoors - either on the golf course or at the deer lease.

Jim always loved people. Every one of you who have shared a barbecue, a ball game, or a hunting trip with him knew his wonderful stories and tall tales - and knew to dodge his hands when he was talking!

Jim is survived by his daughters Kellye Green

Prosise of Bastrop; Lonni Green Lee and husband Laine of San Antonio; Rikki Green Degelia and husband Jim of Bastrop; and grand-



children Laura and Katie Degelia; Brian Lee; and Sydney, Debra, and Daniel Prosise. All of you who knew Jim have heard the word "Proud" when hearing about his kids and grand-

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CARE CENTER CHATTER

BY ODILIA SANCHEZ
ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR

The Care Center Halloween/Birthday party was held on Oct. 31.

All the food that was prepared was yummy, even though it did not look very appealing.

Everything was decorated with a Halloween theme and looked kind of spooky.

The staff dressed up in their costumes and the residents wore their Halloween masks. Everyone had a good time.

It's time to put away the spring/summer/fall clothes and bring out the nice, woolly pants and tops.

It hasn't been too cold yet, but it is better to be prepared.

The residents will be enjoying hot cocoa and indoor games, since they will not be able to go outdoors because of the cool weather.

The residents, along with many of their loved ones, enjoyed a Thanksgiving meal on Thursday.

They always look forward to this time of the year. From what I hear, the meal was delicious and everyone had a good time visiting with their family and friends.

I had the day off, so I missed out on a great meal and fellowship.

Our next big celebration will be, of course, Christmas.

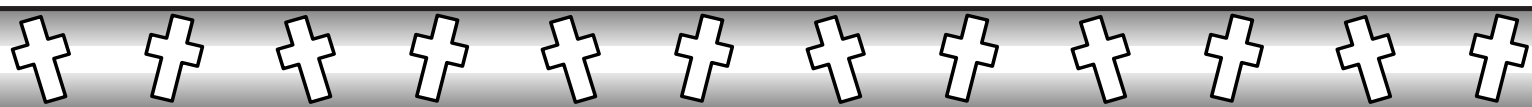
We have always enjoyed the wonderful Christmas season. Everyone loves Christmas.

This year we are planning a big party for the residents and their families.

Pretty soon we will start decorating the facility in preparation for that night.

You will be receiving some information in the mail regarding the date and time. We hope to see you here so we can all celebrate together.

Please stay safe as we start this season. God Bless you and your loved ones.



FRIENDS, FAMILY, FELLOWSHIP AND FOOD

Last week we really had a great time because we got to spend time with some friends and family. Our children, grandchildren and even the newest grandson that was born just before thanksgiving got to be with us. We spent time together doing different things. Some worked on puzzles, others were outdoors exploring in the woods and one afternoon my wife and son took the grandchildren to a dirt tank to fish. The point is we had a great time being together. Family is very important to me and I have tried to instill that in my family. I love them and want them to know that. Now I may not always approve of what they do or the way they do it but I still love them. Love in our family reminds me of something in the Bible. God loves us very much no matter what, and His very nature is love, (1John 4:8-10&16, John 3:16). He loves everyone and does not want anyone to perish, but that everyone would be saved, (Luke 9:55). God even proved His love for us by sending or giving His most precious thing to us, Jesus Christ His only begotten Son, (Romans 5:8, Ephesians 1:4). The sad part is that many will reject Christ and not trust in Him for salvation and part of the punishment is they will spend forever separated from God, (John 3:17-19).
See you in Church next Sunday. Brother J

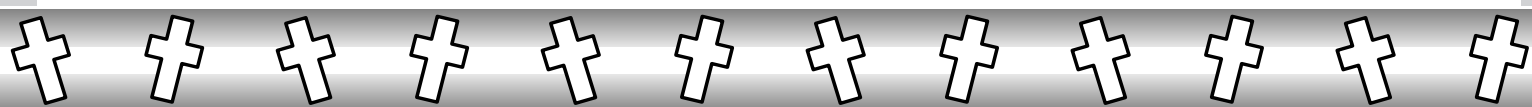
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Boxes or containers are located at Dollar General for anyone wanting to donate a new, unwrapped toy.

An account is available at the Ozona National Bank for those wanting to make

a money donation. Veterans and their assistants will be at the town square and at various places each Saturday until Dec. 17 collecting toys and money donations.

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Abbott: Elections should use legislature's maps

BY ROSS RAMSEY
TEXAS TRIBUNE

Even if the U.S. Supreme Court decides not to intervene in the Texas redistricting controversy, the maps drawn by federal judges in San Antonio could be knocked down by another federal panel, Attorney General Greg Abbott told the Tribune Monday.

Within the last few days, a panel of three federal judges in San Antonio ordered the state to hold congressional and legislative elections under interim maps drawn by the court.

The maps drawn by the Legislature haven't been pre-cleared under the federal Voting Rights Act and can't be used, and the maps used in past elections are out of date in view of new population numbers produced by the 2010 census.

The San Antonio judges remedied that by drawing maps of their own.

All three judges signed off on the court's Senate map; the congressional and House maps were approved by a 2-1 vote.

In an interview with the Tribune, Abbott said the court goofed, incorrectly replacing a legislative map that hasn't been ruled illegal. His office asked the Supreme Court to stay the San Antonio court's orders, even if it means holding some primary elections in May instead of March.

That could mean a March primary on the presidential and other statewide races and on local races but legislative and congressional races delayed until May, after the courts have settled the disputes over maps.

The San Antonio maps could be replaced even if the Supreme Court denies the state's request, Abbott said.

The state sought pre-clearance from a panel of three federal judges in Washington, which decided to hold a trial on that issue as early as next month. Abbott says a green light on the state maps could "largely nullify" the maps ordered by the San Antonio court, throwing yet another variable into the already volatile election calendar.

"When there has not been a rejection of the state plan, but there have been efforts by the state to get it pre-cleared, there has to be deference given to the state map created by the state Legislature," Abbott said.



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TEXAS ATTORNEY GENERAL GREG ABBOTT is seeking a Supreme Court decision on redistricting maps.

"The court refused to apply that standard here and instead created a map out of their own whole cloth, out of their own standard."

"The map that we have right now — the one the Legislature drew — has not been held by anyone, anywhere, anyhow, anytime [to be] illegal in any way," he said.

Democrats defended the court's maps, saying the Legislature ignored the law, and the courts had to intervene.

"Today, Attorney General Greg Abbott applied for an emergency stay of the maps from the United States Supreme Court, once again, putting the 2012 election cycle in jeopardy," said Rep. Trey Martinez Fischer, D-San Antonio, who heads the Mexican-American Legislative Caucus. "The leadership in the Legislature chose to ignore overwhelming Latino growth in our state and refused to adhere to the Voting Rights Act, now the courts have had to step in and apply the law. The leadership of Texas defaulted on their opportunity to enact fair and legal legislative maps. Instead, they sought to expand their political power on the backs of African American, Latino, and Asian American Texans. To date, six federal judges have rejected Attorney General Abbott's fiction that Texas' redistricting maps comply with the law and should be implemented for Texas elections."

Abbott, accused by Democrats of slowing down the proceedings by asking the courts for pre-clearance instead of seeking it from the Obama administration's Department of Justice, said "foot dragging" by those lawyers has pushed the case into conflict with the candidate filings.

"Texas has been and

continues to move aggressively for pre-clearance from the court. However, it has been and remains to be the DOJ that continues to drag its feet and slow things down," Abbott said.

He said the state has asked for a trial on Dec. 12 and the Justice Department lawyers asked the court to abate that hearing.

The delays would have been as bad or worse had the state gone to DOJ for pre-clearance, he said: "In hindsight, the strategy that we did take was the best strategy that we could have taken."

Abbott hired Paul Clement, a noted Supreme Court advocate, to help his office with the case (at a rate of \$520 an hour, which he called "a steep discount"). Clement worked with Abbott on a lawsuit over the display of the Ten Commandments on the grounds of the state Capitol.

Late Monday afternoon, U.S. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia asked the lawyers in the case to file responses to Abbott's request by Thursday afternoon.

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37 Gen. Robert _____

38 TXism: "slick as a watermelon _____"

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44 corn growers assoc.

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Filing for March Primary Elections runs through Dec. 15

Filing began Monday for the March 2012 Primary Elections.

The deadline to file an application to run is Dec. 15.

In Crockett County, those who have filed so far are: Roy Glenn Sutton, incumbent, and Robert F. "Bob" Rodriguez for sheriff; Jody Upham, incumbent, for county attorney and Randy Branch, incumbent, for commissioner of precinct 3.

Ron Hawthorne has announced he intends to file for the sheriff's race.

Also, Laurie English said she intends to file this week for re-election as 112th District Attorney.

All candidates have filed to run in the Democratic Primary. Crockett County currently does not have an active Republican Party.

Other local offices up for election 2012: tax assessor-collector, county commissioner precinct 1 and constable.

National races up in 2012 include U.S. President, all 36 Texas seats in the U.S. House of Representatives and U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison is not running for re-election, so her Senate seat is open.

State races up in 2012 include: All 150 representatives in the Texas House and 31 members of the Texas Senate, two seats on the Texas Railroad Commission, three on the Texas Supreme Court and three on the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals.

Elections will be held

for the state board of education and various other judicial seats.

Other important March primary dates:

•Dec. 10 is the last day a vacancy for an unexpired term may occur and appear on primary ballots;

•No later than Dec. 12, 2011, commissioners courts must make any changes to election precinct boundaries necessary to give effect to legislative redistricting. The Crockett County commissioners approved their plan at last

month's meeting.

•No later than Jan. 13, 2012, voter registrars must mail voter registration certificates to all registered voters.

The winners of the Republican and Democratic primary races on March 6, 2012 will face off in the general election Nov. 6, 2012.

For more information, visit call the Crockett County Tax Office at 392-2674 or visit the Texas Secretary of State's website at <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/index.html>.

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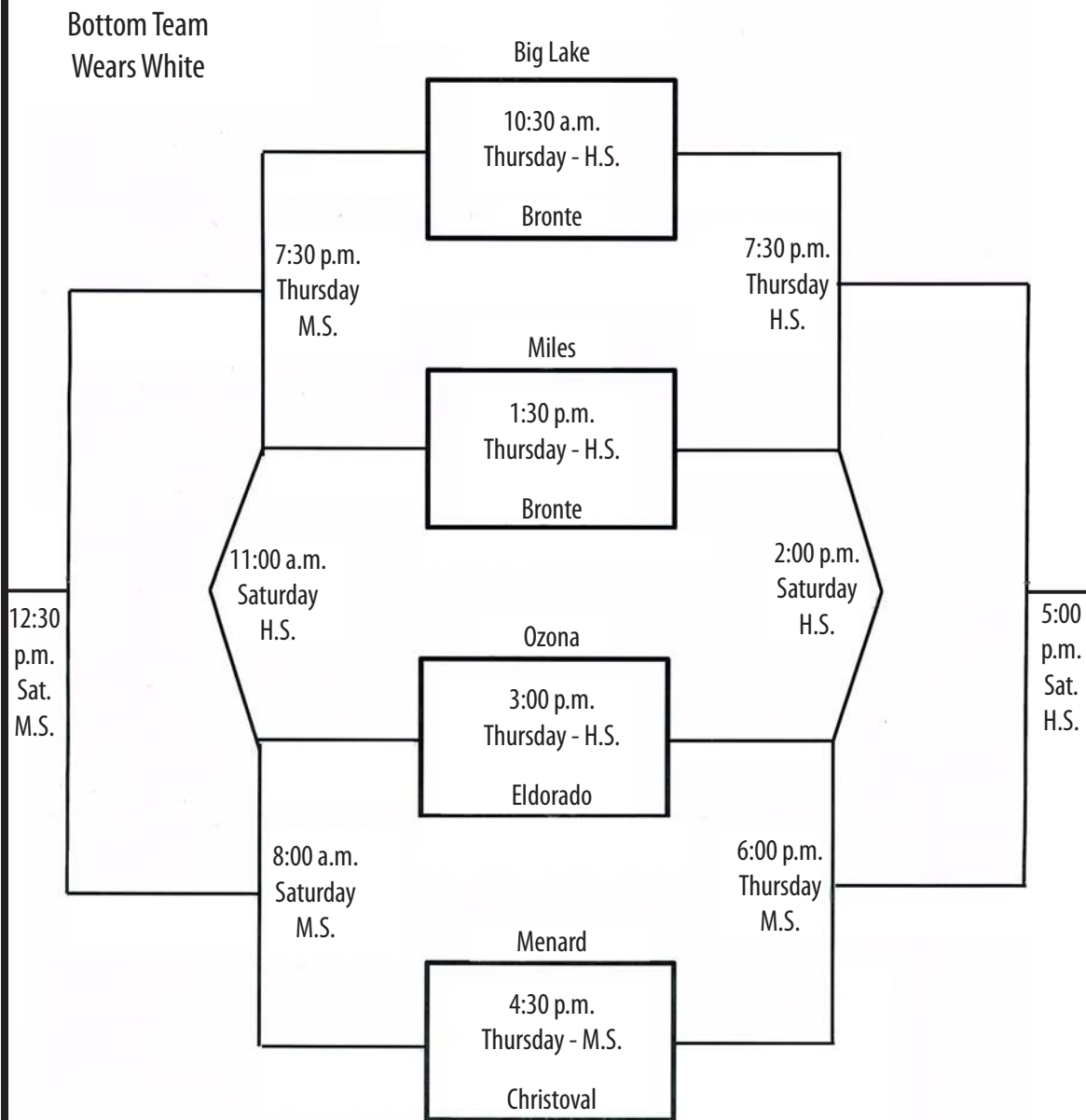
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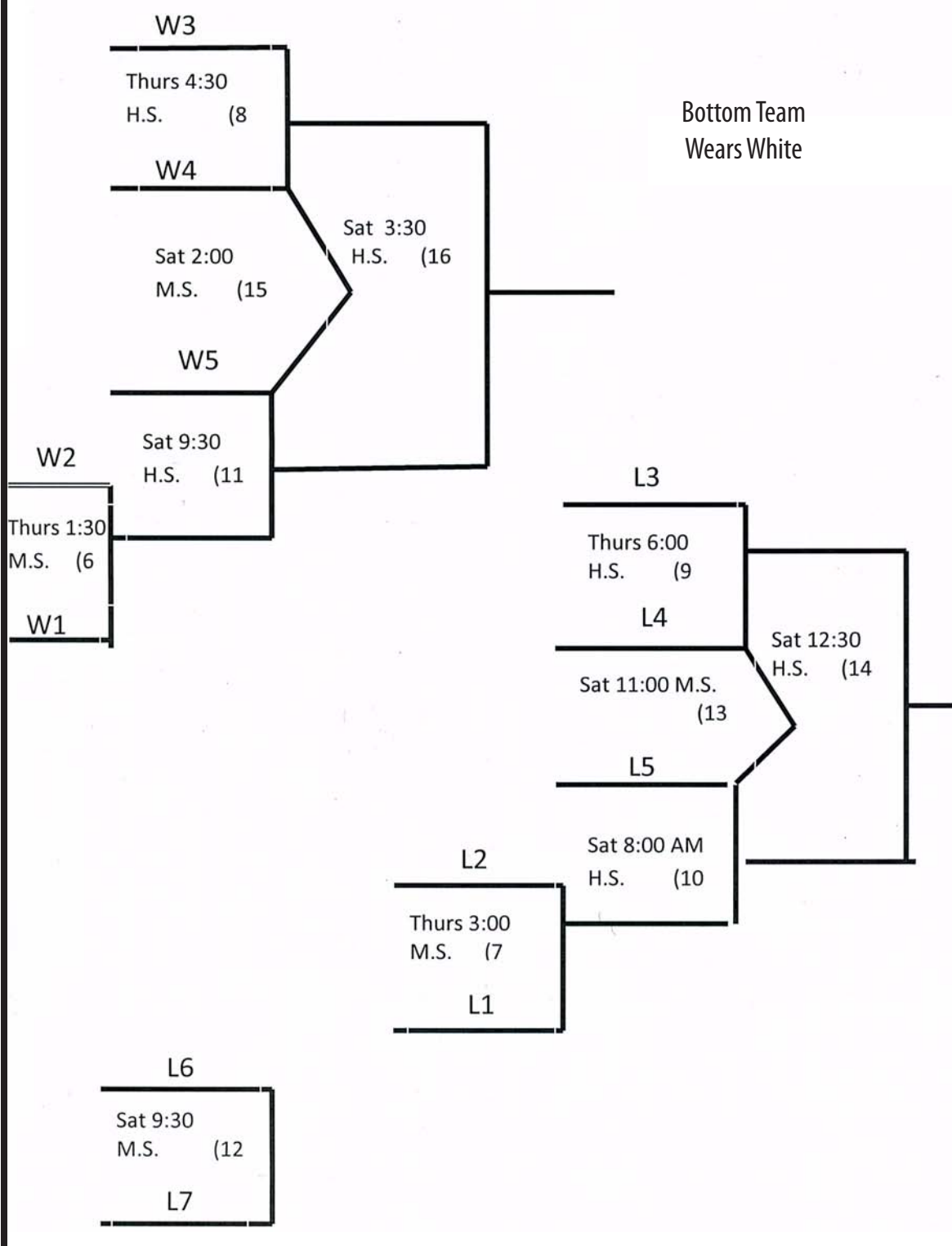
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Girls Bracket

Game 1 9:00 H.S. Big Lake vs Bronte (thurs)
 Game 2 9:00 M.S. Christoval vs Menard (thurs)
 Game 3 10:30 M.S. Miles vs Junction (thurs)
 Game 4 12:00 HS Ozona vs Eldorado (thurs)
 Game 5 12:00 MS Sonora vs Mason (thurs)



Lady Lions take down Alpine Lady Bucks

The Ozona Lady Lions defeated Alpine 53-27 on Nov. 21.

Stacie Quiroz was the leading scorer with 24 points, including four three-pointers. She also led the team with five knockouts.

Kodi Glosson and Quiroz had four steals. Glosson also had six deflections.

Amy Quiroz had nine rebounds.

"We had to shake a little 'bus lag' off getting started but picked up our intensity as we went. We know we

have a lot to work on, but it was good to pick up a win. Overall, our shooting was better and that was good to see," said Coach Cristy Isenhower. "The girls are working hard and working together. They are also doing a great job at being coachable."

The Lady Lions lost to Harper, 41-38, on Nov. 18. Natalie Hernandez lead the team with 12 points. Adrienne Sanchez led the team with seven steals. A. Quiroz was once

again tops in rebounding with five.

S. Quiroz was the team leader in deflections and knockouts with three of each.

"We got off to a slow start but turned it on in the second half. We were down by 12 at the half and outscored them 28-19 to finish the game. The girls played hard and we saw improvements. Our focus right now is to get better every time we step on the court," Isenhower said.

Lions defeat Comstock, fall to Alpine

The Ozona Lions won their first game of the season, 69-58, over Comstock on Nov. 19.

Score by quarters: Ozona 12 21 20 16 - 69; Comstock - 15 13 14 16 - 58.

Scoring: Jerrod duBois

26; Luis Soto 16; Glen Tinney 10; Ryan Mayfield 9; Saul Vargas 4; Brandon DeHoyos 4.

The Lions lost to Alpine 61-35 on Nov. 21.

Score by quarters: Ozo-

na 4 15 4 12 - 35; Alpine 13 19 13 16 - 61.

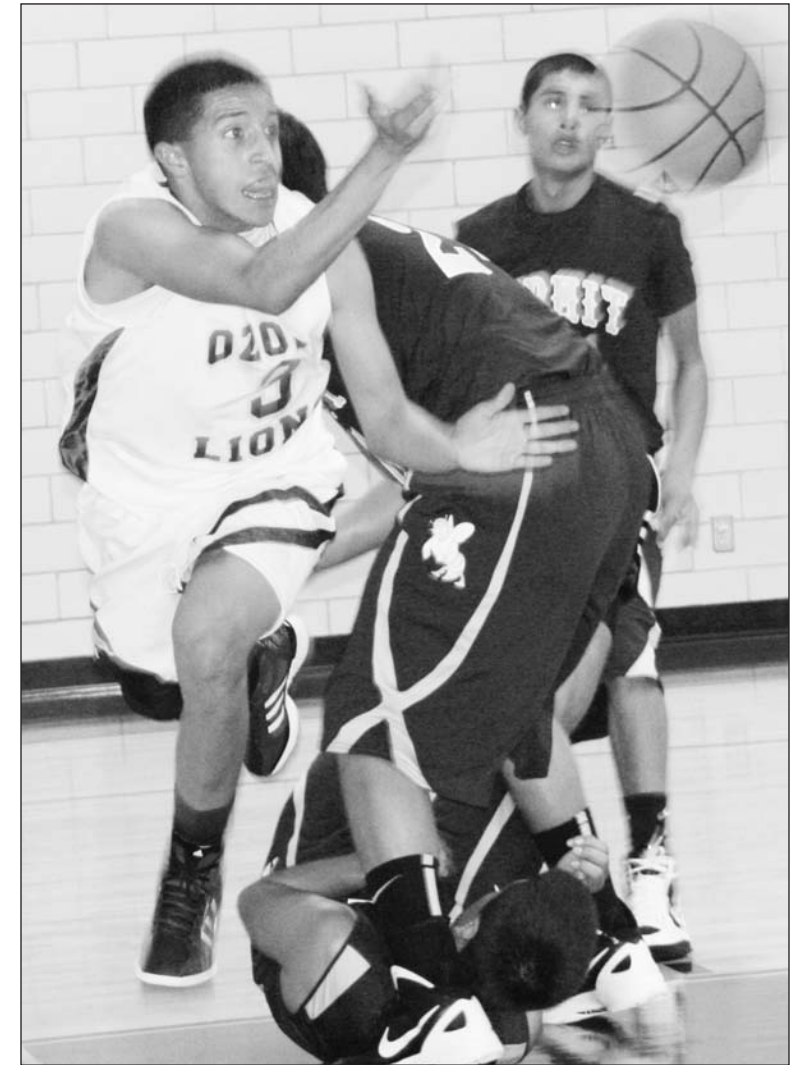
Scoring: Mayfield 3; Jayton Rodriguez 3; Alejandro Mendez 2; Alex Borrego 2; duBois 8; Soto 5; Vargas 6; DeHoyos 4 and Tres Perez 2.



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Seventh Grade A Lady Lions stomp Sonora

The Seventh Grade A Lady Lions defeated Sonora 35-16 on Nov. 21.

Scoring: Madison Galindo 11; Kamryn Lozano 4; Rachel Mendoza 4; Asia Lara 6; Jasmine Talamantez 2 and Kelly Sewell 8. Also playing: Azaylea Tovar, Julie Marshall, Dacie Taylor and Dustine Perez.

"Our defense and class got us through this game. The girls hustled and worked together as a team to take part in the Sonora Sweep. I think Sonora gave us more competition than what we had played against just because of the rivalry," said Coach Taylor

Golding. "Galindo did awesome posting up and getting looks inside. Lozano, Lara and Taylor did a great job on defense. Tovar was a speedy little demon all over the ball. Talamantez did a great job hustling up and down the court and making plays. Mendoza and Sewell did a great job on offense and working to get open for some shots. Marshall and Perez did good on defense and were all over the ball. We still have little things to work on but I was very proud of my girls Monday night."

The Seventh Grade A Lady Lions are 3-0.

Seventh Grade Lions fall to Colts

The Seventh Grade Boys Basketball teams traveled to Sonora on Nov. 21 to take on the Colts.

The Seventh Grade A Team took to the court first and lost 50-17.

The Lions trailed 14-0 at the end of the 1st Quarter and 22-4 at the half. The Lions did manage to score 8 points in the third quarter of play but still trailed 39-12.

In the fourth quarter, Sonora would score 11 points to the Lions' 5 points to make the final score: 50-17 in favor of Sonora.

Weston Fay led all scorers with 8 points. Aidan Fierro put in 5 points while Preston McCutcheon and Thomas Fay each tallied 2 points.

The Lions B team lost to Sonora 40-7. The Lions trailed 20-3 at the end of the first half and 26-7 by the end of the third quarter. The Broncos would score 14 points in the final stanza while the Lions scoreless, thus making the final score 40-7.

Gary Held had 3 points while Kabir Shah and Raven Perez scored 2 points each.

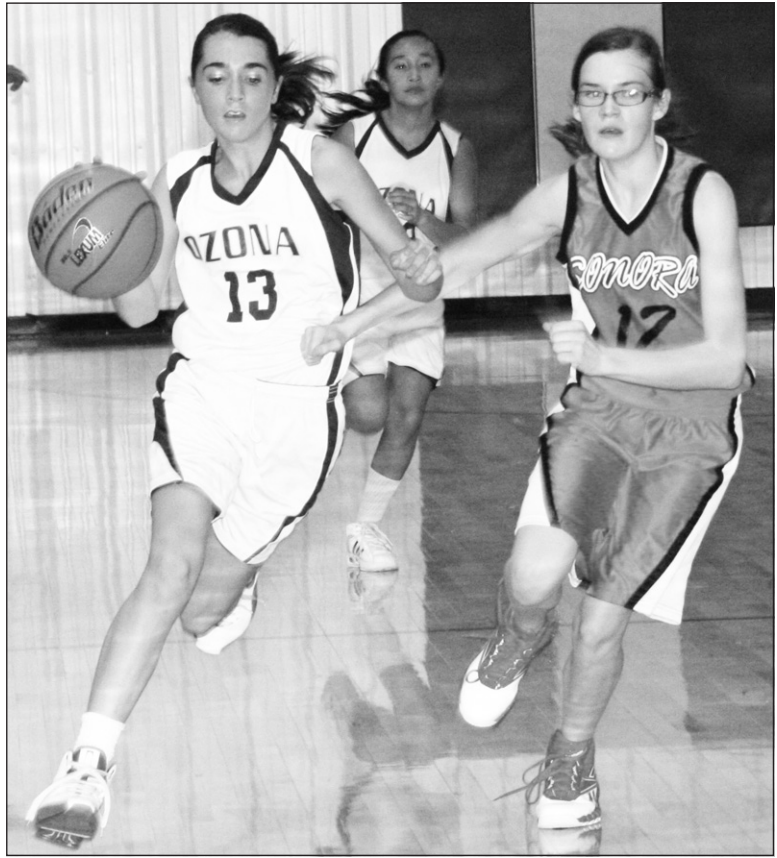
Seventh Grade B Lady Lions defeat Sonora

The Ozona Seventh Grade B Lady Lions defeated Sonora 27-11 on Nov. 21.

Scoring: Olivia Mata 14; Madye Hubbard 1; Paige Lewis 8 and Gabby

Flores 4. Also playing: Erika Vasquez, Maiah Jurado, Gabby Treto and Pricila Rodriguez.

The Seventh Grade B Team is now 2-1.



MADYE HUBBARD sprints down the court with seventh grade B teammate Gabby Flores coming up behind in their 27-11 win over Sonora.

Eighth Grade B Lady Lions defeat Sonora

The Eighth Grade B Lady Lions defeated Sonora 20-14 on Nov. 21.

Scoring: Madalyn Harris 3; April Ramoz 8; Ashley Vargas 9. Also playing:

Daisy Cantu, Dulce Rodriguez, Taylor Luna, Diana Sifuentes and Gina Marquez.

The Eighth Grade B Team is now 1-2.



GINA MARQUEZ dribbles the ball toward the basket for the eighth grade B Lady Lions in their 20-14 win over Sonora on Nov. 21.



ASIA LARA ADDED SIX POINTS TO THE SEVENTH GRADE LADY LIONS A team's total in their 35-16 victory over Sonora on Nov. 21.

Eighth Grade Lions make comeback to defeat Sonora

The Eighth Grade Lions defeated Sonora 35-25 on Nov. 21.

The Lions would fall behind in the first quarter trailing 10-2, but the defense stepped up and made it a different game.

The Lions would take a two point lead into halftime making it 14-12.

"We did a great job in the second quarter of play-

ing hard-nosed defense and making good decisions with the ball our guards. Ben Baddillo, Javier Barrera, Kalen Perez and Dakota Lee, did a great job of attacking the basket and getting the ball to the post players, Michael Graham, Jose Ojeda, Walker Whitten, Bryce Martin and Alan Landa. Our posts did a fantastic job of rebounding and not allowing second chance opportunities," said Coach John Esparza.

In the third quarter it would be back-and-forth with neither team taking more than a four point lead. The score would be 25-21 and the end of the third with the Lions in the lead.

The fourth quarter would come down to free-throws and the Lions were on mark making 6-9 in the final quarter and the defense would allow only one basket in the final quarter.

"It was a great team victory and we were able to hit free-throws down the stretch, I am very proud of the way they played," Esparza said.

Eighth Grade A Lady Lions pounce Sonora

The Eighth Grade A Lady Lions defeated Sonora 25-20 on Nov. 21.

Scoring: Madison Childress 12; Alondra Rodriguez 1; Estefania Torralba 3; Lauren Miles 4; Kim Borrego 5. Also playing: Brianna Sanchez, Alyssa Newlin, Nereyda Vega and Maria Mejia.

"This game was a turn-

ing point for our eighth grade girls. They played with intensity, teamwork and discipline to turn the game around and come out with a win. We are so proud of this team and hope to build on this win," said Coach Autumn Brown.

The Eighth Grade A Lady Lions are 1-2.



MADISON CHILDRESS LED THE EIGHTH A LADY LIONS IN SCORING with 12 points in the Ladies 25-20 win on Nov. 21 against Sonora.



KIM BORREGO CONTRIBUTED FIVE POINTS to the eighth grade Lady Lions A team's final score in their 25-20 Nov. 21 victory over Sonora.

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Second 6 Weeks All A Honor Roll

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Second Grade - Monserrat Blanco, Roxana Camarillo-Mares, Mattison Camp, Carlos Cantu, Esperanza Castillo, Abriele Cervantes, Kayleigh Dominguez, Ivan Escamilla, Noah Escamilla, Ethan Gonzalez, Bryce Gray, Jessel Gutierrez, Harley Hernandez, Kayleigh Hernandez, Adam Hopper, Sydney Knaack, Jason Lopez, Mary-Jane Macias, Makayleigh Martinez, Alejandra Mata, Mysti Mata Zapata, Jacqueline Medina, Amber Moran, Haleigh Moran, Lea Quigley, Mary Rodriguez, Jeremiah Sanchez, Sebastian Talamantes, Kolton Thompson, Genesis Venegas, Krysten Webb

Third Grade - Lianna Blanco, Madison Castro, Carson Childress, Ethan Criswell, Jose Dominguez, Michael Esparza, Sydney Flores, Reagan Gonzalez, Jenna Marshall, Jose Munoz, Ida Rodriguez, Norah Rodriguez, Kaleigh Thomas

Fourth Grade - Raelee Borrego, Jacob Childress, Sebastian De La Cruz, Aiden Fuentes, Jennifer Gutierrez, Valysa Hartman, Nathaniel Jackson, Alec Lara, Roslynn Mendez, Austin Moran, Alexander Oveisi, Lazaro

Rodriguez, Kayla Sarabia, Thomas Talamantez, Kaitlyn Tambunga, Humberto Torralba, Manuel Torralba, Tyler Webb, Justin Yeager

Fifth Grade - Chantz Elliott, Jacqueline Guerra, Ivana Hernandez, Josh Knaack, Coulter McWilliams, Caleb Webb

A & B Honor Roll

First Grade - Jonah Aguilar, Raelynn Barrera, Joshua Camarillo, Ivey Campos Rodriguez, Andrea Cardona, Amelia Chila, John Childress, Lionel Correa, Chance Criswell, Miranda Flores, Shania Fluckers, Mark Galindo, Carolina Guerra, Mario Guerrero, Mia Gutierrez, Javan Hernandez, Jonovan Jurado, Skylar Lacy, Ivan Lopez, Michael Luna, Jadon Martinez, Christa Montgomery, Charli Neal, Zachary Pena, Xavier Perez, Annissa Ramos Gregory, Jose Rios, Jacinto Rodriguez, Kattie Rodriguez, Robert Saldana, Hailey Salinas, Jaylynn Tijerina, Hailey Vargas, Destiny Vargas and Hermin Villegas-Hernandez

Second Grade - Adriana Aranda, Madison Bullard, Matthew DeLaGarza, Ysabella Flores, David Gonzales, Aries Hernandez, Westyn Hubbard, Faith Jones, Krislyn Longoria, Michael Mata, Haley Nowell, Declan Perez, Rosa Ramos, Siria Rodriguez, Leena Sanchez-Garcia, Deziree Tambunga, Jaron Villarreal, Makenah Villarreal, Cedric Weidler

Third Grade - Izac Adkins, Jazmynn Barrera, Austin Castro, Christopher Contreras, Veronica Correa,

Shelbie Galindo, Jorge Garcia Molina, Andrea Garza, Daniella Gonzales, Christopher Gutierrez, Alondra Hernandez, Cobran Hernandez, Ian Hernandez, Kaitlyn Hernandez, Diego Irlas, Jonathan Jurado, Jarett Justiss, Skylar Luna, Melvyn Mejia, Perla Ojeda, Matthew Pena, Ida Perez, Joe Perez, Keano Perez, Alexandra Quiroz, John Ramirez, Raul Ramirez, Marco Rodriguez, Isaiah Samario, Dorisel Sanchez, Elisabeth Sanchez, Jacqueline Sanchez, Pilar Sanchez Garcia, Jace Savala, Michael Solis, Jesus Vega, Emmanuel Venegas, Jacquiline Venegas, Elizabeth Villarreal, Matthew Wellman

Fourth Grade - Rosamaria Arredondo, Esmeralda Castillo, Christian Connell, Austin Damian, Alana Escamilla, Jaden Fay, Amber Fuentes, Laney Galindo, Matthew Galindo, Georgina Garcia, Braeden Gutierrez, Osiel Hernandez, Kenadi Iglehart, Marco Lozano DeHoyos, Cristina Mata, Gerardo Mata, Endy Mata, Alexandra Montgomery, Ashley Moran, Holly Munsell, Carlie Ramos, Kristy Rodriguez, Joe Salas, Kendra Sarabia, Kenzee Talamantez, Alycia Tambunga, Jonathan Vega, Joseph Vitela, Adrian Whitby

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OMS Honor Roll

Second 6 Weeks A Honor Roll

Sixth Grade - Alejandra Camarillo, Roman Esparza, Kassidy Gonzalez, Breanna Hale, Hannah Oveisi, Jennifer Rodriguez, Kaelyn Savala, Hunter Smith and Samantha Torralba

Seventh Grade - Austin Elguea, Asia Lara, Julie Marshall, Kabir Shah, Jasmine Talamantez and Azaylea Tovar.

Eighth Grade - Estefania Torralba and Kevin Villarreal

son Posadas, Jessie Ramos, Savanah Ramos, Denise Rodriguez, Kobe Rodriguez, Cierra Sanchez, Jacob Schroeder and Autumn Villarreal.

Seventh Grade - Jasmine Carty, Thomas Cruz, Edgar Damian, Michael Fay, Gabriella Flores, Trystian Galindo, Madalyn Harris, Garry Held, Maiah Jurado, Jennifer Lewis, Kamryn Lozano, Timothy Maldonado, Rachel Mendoza, Anthony Perez, Jadon Perez, Raven

Perez, Elizabeth Rodriguez, Pricila Rodriguez, Robert Rodriguez, Kelly Sewell, Dacie Taylor and Megan Vasquez

Eighth Grade - Kimberly Borrego, Madison Childress, Kristen Fierro, John Gomez, Alex Hopper, Dakota Lee, Taylor Luna, Bryce Martin, Maria Mejia, Lauren Miles, Jeremy Munoz, Alyssa Newlin, Alondra Rodriguez, Ashley Vargas, Nereyda Vega and Juan Venegas

A - B Honor Roll

Sixth Grade - Josae Coy, Zephen Cuevas, Zethany Cuevas, Gregorio DeHoyos, Sydney Fierro, Angel Gamez, Audrey Gandar, Michael Garcia, Rodrigo Gonzales, Gavin Grannis, Michel Guerrero, Larissa Hernandez, Brandon Jara, Cierra Lee, Murray Logan, Caleb Martinez, Toni Parker, Ger-

OHS Honor Roll

Second 6 Weeks A HONOR ROLL

Freshmen - Bryce Gutierrez, Jadie Marshall, Ricardo Porras, Jon-Luke Rodriguez and Dalan Wilson

Sophomore - Lisa Dorough, Lorenzo Hernandez and Vivian Medina

Juniors - Allie Black and Jade Carty

Seniors - Lane Hale, Kelsie Ramirez and Isabel Ybarra

A - B HONOR ROLL

Freshmen - Justice Adkins, Yadira Diaz, Chellil Gonzales-Longoria, Marissa Held, Elizabeth Kennedy, Daniel Lombrana, Melissa Lozano, Ryan Porras, Kaylee Ramirez, Jayton Rodriguez, Alan Salazar, Zachary Taylor and Nathaniel Valdes.

Sophomores - Jonatan Arredondo, Chris Cantu,

Daisy Guerra, Deyanira Hernandez, Victoria Hernandez, Josiah Jurado, Desiree Marshall, Sydney Mendoza, Eliseo Montanez, Abby Newton, Lexi Poindexter, Amy Quiroz, Lazarae Rodriguez, Nancy Rodriguez, Sierra

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EVENTS: DeerFest to feature lots of prizes

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As part of her educational effort, Vernor travels extensively for trunk shows. "I never say 'no'," she said of invitations to display her garments at the show.

She said she feels that these shows are her opportunity to tell people about mohair.

After people discovered mohair, which 90 percent of them have never heard of, they realize what a unique fabric it is, Vernor said.

Her clothing has also be featured on the late Mary Kay Ash, as well as several beauty pageant winners.

A jacket she designed for Barbie was featured at the State Fair of Texas.

For more information on the show, call the museum at 392-2837.

For more information on Dolores' Unique Designs, call (830) 597-4152.

At 5:30 p.m., the doors will open at the Fair Park Convention Center for the 24th annual Crockett County DeerFest.

Prize tickets are \$1 each and can be found at several locations throughout Ozona, including Ozona Chamber of Commerce

at 505 15th St., Super S - Lowes grocery store, Crockett Automotive, The Ozona Stockman, Wool Growers, Ozona Wool & Mohair, Triple C Hardware & Lumber, Village Drug, Circle Bar Pit-stop Convenience Store, Circle Bar Restaurant,

Circle Bar Hotel, Best Western/Ozona Inn, Best Value Inn, Hillcrest Motel and Crockett County Abstract.

Tickets will also be sold the day of the event at the Fair Park Convention Center.

General Admission is \$10, which includes the meal of chicken fried deer, turkey, axis deer and pork sausage, deer chili, deer tamales and brisket. Ten percent of the admission proceeds will go to the West Texas Rehab.

This year's DeerFest will give away more than 75 guns, \$10,000 in gift cards, a 2012 Polaris Ranger Crew 4x4, a \$5,000 American

Express Cards donated by Anderson Energy, gun safe and several other blinds, feeders and numerous other prizes including selling of Yeti coolers. The cooler sale, sponsored by Wool Growers, will start at 2 p.m. at the Fair Park Convention Center. The coolers will be packed with more than \$1,000 in prizes.

The Crockett County DeerFest was created 24 years ago as a community wide appreciation banquet for hunters.

Typically 1,000 to 1,500 people attend the event and approximately \$40,000 in prizes are raffled. Over the years, the DeerFest Association has raised enough money to build the Fair Park Convention Center in which the event is now housed. After construction, the building was donated to the county.

Again this year 10 percent of the general admission will be donated to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center of Ozona. After the 2010 event we donated \$1,500 to the WT Rehab of Ozona.

The DeerFest Association has purchased A/V equipment and put a roof on the community day care center. The association helped finance the construction of the Crockett County EMS building.

In 2010, the DeerFest contributed to the Crockett County 4-H, Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Youth Ministry, Ozona Chamber of Commerce, the Ministerial Alliance, Ozona Volunteer Fire Department, the Cub Scouts, Crockett County Youth Center, Ozona Community Center, Perceptor Mu Chi and the Crockett County EMS, American Cancer Society, Toys for Tots, Helping Hands, FFA and Ozona Little League.

Recently, the DeerFest made donations to the Ozona Community Center for a new sign and the Crockett County Care Center for a new rehabilitation machine.

The recipients of the 2010 Crockett County DeerFest Scholarship in

the amount of \$4,000 were Crystal Vasquez and in the amount of \$1,000 was Duncan Knox. All monies are raised from the sale of door prize tickets, admission fees and our donors' generous contributions.

"Without your help, none of this would be possible. We humbly ask that you keep us on your list of charitable donations so that we may continue to pay it forward," said Hugh Childress, DeerFest President. "Crockett County DeerFest would not be what it is today without the foresight of the founding members or the continued community support. We will need your support again this year. It is the people of Ozona, with the help of Crockett County hunters who have made DeerFest what it is."

For more information, visit www.deerfest.org or follow them on Facebook.

OMS math and science teams compete in Coahoma

OMS students were back in competition again on Nov. 19 in Coahoma.

Thirty students from OMS competed in the second Math and Science Meet of the season.

CALCULATOR

Sixth Grade: 1. Andy Hernandez tied with Rodrigo Gonzales; 2. Eloy Soto tied with Luis Rodriguez; 3. Roman Esparza; 4. Denise Rodriguez.

Seventh Grade: 3. Karmyn Lozano, 4. Asia Lara, 8.

Elizabeth Rodriguez and 9. Julie Marshall.

Eighth Grade: 1. Dulce Rodriguez; 3. Kevin Villarreal tied with Jeremy Munoz; 4. Alex Hopper; 6. Bryce Martin tied with Taylor Luna; 8. Alyssa Newlin; 9. April Ramos
Ozona was Second Place Calculator Team

SCIENCE

Seventh Grade: 4. Austin Elguea; 6. Julie Marshall; 7. Jose Martinez

Eighth Grade: 4. Alex Hopper

NUMBER SENSE

Sixth Grade: 9. Denise Rodriguez; 10. Jennifer Rodriguez

Seventh Grade: 5. Kabir Shah; 10. Jasmine Carty
Eighth Grade: 7. Maria Mejia and 9. Jose Ojeda

MATHEMATICS

Sixth Grade: 6. Kassidy Gonzalez
Eighth Grade: 9. Maria Mejia

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RODRIGUEZ:

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late 1991. I currently hold an Intermediate Peace Officer's Certificate.

If elected sheriff, I will reach out to the various local agencies and departments in order to better the working relationships in order to provide a better service to the citizens of this county. Specifically, I will work towards having better working relationships with the Crockett County Commissioner's Court, the local Texas Rangers office, the Department of Public Safety, the Crockett County Constable, the EMS, the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department, the Justice of the Peace office, and last, but not least, the District Attorney's office and the Crockett County Attorney's office.

Also, I will have an open-door policy to listen to the

concerns of the citizens of this county and to the suggestions of other professionals in order to provide citizens of this county a quality service.

In terms of my law enforcement educational experience, I have completed numerous courses, nearly 900 hours, during my law enforcement career. While a jailer, I received Basic, Intermediate and Advanced Certificates. Some of the areas of certified training which I successfully completed, include juvenile law, cultural diversity, street crimes, intermediate arrest and search and seizure, intermediate use of force, and basic crisis intervention. Just recently, I completed a 40 hour course in Basic Instructor School in order that I can be able to teach others in the areas of law enforcement.

Therefore, I come to you as a dedicated husband, peace officer and lifelong

resident of Crockett County with an extraordinary concern for our community, and most of all, for our young people. I see a serious need for positive change and if elected, I will be a full-time sheriff whose goals include: (1) Every call for assistance to be answered and handled with courtesy and respect (2) placing a greater emphasis on getting to know the people and (3) doing my utmost best to enforce the laws fairly and equally.

Again, I do believe in a common sense approach to local law enforcement and I hope to meet with as many people to discuss my views and to listen to all of your concerns. My family and I deeply appreciate all your support.

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DPS having success sidelining dangerous trucks

At today's Public Safety Commission meeting, DPS Director Steven C. McCraw highlighted the Texas Highway Patrol's efforts to get dangerous commercial vehicles off the roads.

Since the first of the year, Commercial Vehicle Enforcement personnel and specially-trained Highway Patrol troopers have inspected 331,505 commercial vehicles. As a result of these inspections, DPS removed 66,189 unsafe commercial vehicles and 12,301 unsafe commercial vehicle drivers from Texas roads for a variety of safety violations.

"Commercial vehicles are responsible for approximately 15 percent of the fatalities in Texas crashes," said McCraw. "Most commercial vehicle operators obey the law; however, those who choose to drive unsafe commercial vehicles or drive a commercial vehicle unsafely pose a serious threat to the motoring public."

McCraw cited Operation Texas Thunder initiatives, which are DPS surge enforcement operations in a targeted area, as one example of how DPS deals with unsafe truck and bus operators.

After complaints about truck traffic in McMullen County, a recent Operation Texas Thunder effort put 64 percent of the vehicles inspected during that operation out of service.

Another recent Texas Thunder operation in the Corpus Christi area resulted in almost 400 citations and 206 vehicles placed out of service.

"The outstanding work by our troopers and inspectors has undoubtedly prevented accidents and saved lives," said Public Safety Chairman Allan Polunsky. "Our enforcement efforts send a message to unsafe drivers and companies inclined to violate the law and place innocent people in danger."

Farmers, ranchers benefit from Section 179 tax deduction

Farmers and ranchers have until Dec. 31, 2011, to utilize a \$500,000 depreciation allowance under the Section 179 tax deduction.

For 2011, farmers and ranchers can expense new and used farm equipment purchases up to \$500,000 if the equipment is purchased and utilized this year. In 2012, the Section 179 tax deduction depreciation limit will decrease to \$125,000.

The Section 179 tax deduction also allows further depreciation on new farm equipment. As explained by Beef Magazine, "Say you've

purchased or financed \$650,000 in equipment, either new or used but new to you, this year. Under the Section 179 provision, you can deduct \$500,000 in 2011. If any of that equipment was new, you can deduct the additional \$150,000 under the bonus depreciation provision. Assuming a 35 percent tax rate, that gives you a \$227,500 write-off on your 2011 taxes, and a \$422,500 net cost in the equipment."

For more information about the new and used farm equipment tax savings, visit www.section179.org.

Agribusiness management seminar set for Dec. 12

The Texas AgriLife Extension Service is set to host a farm and ranch management seminar on Dec. 12 in Alpine.

The seminar will feature

presentations on managing farms and ranches as businesses. Speakers will discuss business plans and why they are needed, along with their strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats. They will also discuss the importance of resource inventories.

Individual registration is \$10 due upon arrival to the seminar.

For more information, call Jesse Lea Schneider, AgriLife Extension agent in Presidio County, at (432) 729-4746, jlschneider@ag.tamu.edu or Logan Boswell, AgriLife Extension agent in Brewster/Jeff Davis Counties, at (432) 837-6207.

FOR THE RECORD: WEEKLY COURT PROCEEDINGS

BAIL BONDS
•Michael Allen Warren, Burleson, Texas, possession of substance in penalty group one, felony, \$20,000; prohibited substances and items in correction facility, felony, \$20,000.
•Robert Hanez, possession of miscellaneous substance, misdemeanor, \$2,000.
•Keith Edward Hoffman, San Angelo, criminal

trespass, \$1,100.
•Archibald D. Gray, Farmington, N.M., abandoning endangering child imminent danger, felony, \$30,000.
•Jimmy Paul Longoria, Ozona, manufacturing/delivery of a controlled substance, felony, \$20,000.
•Robert Emil Alexander, Ozona, assault causing bodily injury of family violence, felony, \$20,000.

FIRE DEPARTMENT RUNS

NOV. 21
•3:54 p.m. - Investigation, smoke alarm, no fire, smoke in kitchen. Units cancelled by a firefighter that first responded. No times recorded.
•9:58 p.m. - One vehicle accident State Hwy 163. Just south of the Irion

County line. Three units, six firefighters. Time in service 2 hours 32 minutes.

NOV. 24
•5:15 p.m. - One vehicle accident 20 miles north on State Hwy 137. Assist EMS and worked traffic. Two units, six firefighters. Time in service 2 hours 35 minutes.

EMS DEPARTMENT RUNS

11/21/11
•911 call - Call canceled
11/22/11
•911 call - Transport and treatment Family Health Clinic
11/23/11
•911 call - Transport and treatment San Angelo Community Med Ctr
•911 call - Treatment, no transport
11/24/11

•911 call - Transport and treatment Shannon Medical Center
•911 call - Transport and treatment Shannon Medical Center
11/25/11
•911 call - Transport and treatment Shannon Medical Center
11/26/11
•911 call - Transport and treatment Shannon Medical Center

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Lehmerberg recommended a sentence of five years deferred adjudication probation, a \$5,000 fine and that Driver perform any treatment and counseling as recommended by the probation department.

informal comments to staff prior to the formal rulemaking process may attend a rule stakeholder meeting on Dec. 6 at the TCEQ headquarters in Austin.

More information is available at www.tceq.state.tx.us.

DPS GIVES HOLIDAY DRIVING TIPS

In its Nov. 22 pre-Thanksgiving caution to motorists, the Texas Department of Public Safety urged drivers to:

- Minimize distractions. Don't text and drive and keep cell phone chatter to a minimum. Just drive.
- Don't travel fatigued. Switch drivers or find a safe location and take a break.
- Adjust speed for weather, traffic conditions and emergency vehicles.
- Don't drink and drive; designate a driver.
- Make sure everyone in the car is buckled up.
- Drive courteously.

The Ozona Stockman Deadline is

NOON ON MONDAY

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

RIG LOCATIONS

Crockett, Irion, Sutton, Schleicher, Terrell & Reagan Counties

As of November 25, 2011

PTD	OPERATOR	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
1423F	Highmount E&P	Tx University Unit #903 H	Nabors Drilling #428	Drig Ahead
9000	Approach Operating	Coco Terry - G #1001	Ringo Drilling Lp #17	Drig Ahead
9000	Approach Operating	University-45F-#2301 H	Nabors Drilling #714	Drig Ahead
9000	Molpgo Energy Texas	Parker G#- 05 - #1	Ringo Drilling Lp #16	Drig Ahead
9300	ConocoPhillips	University Gp-7- #1901	Nabors Drilling #M14	Drig Ahead
8500	Forest Oil	Shannon Estate 01-21 #1	Lantern Drilling #8	Drig Ahead
8500	Molpgo Energy Texas	Baggett Op-32- #1 H	Precision Drilling #454	Drig Ahead
17000	Strand Energy	Lc Hamilton- A- #12	Hayhurst Brothers #2	Moving On
8000	Exco Res	Sugg- Sa- #12	Heart Land Drilling #5	W.D.O.
4800	Apache Corp	Ketchum Mountain East Unit #132	Captar Drilling #127	Drig Ahead
7900	Top, Inc.	Sugg Ferrar - G #1	Heart Land Drilling #4	Drig Ahead
6600	Esg Resources	Rockler- B- Bc- Unit #1 H	Cactus Drilling #103	Drig Ahead
6200	Esg Resources	Faundree #4 H	Cactus Drilling #102	Drig Ahead
7000	Three Rivers Op	Sugg- 3067- #6	Ringo Drilling Lp #9	Circulate
9500	Firm Natural Res	Antelope Draw - E- #601	Patterson Uti #721	Drig Ahead
9500	Firm Natural Res	Concho #3007o	Feldhoff Bros #19	Drig Ahead
12900	El Paso E&P Company	University-43-23 #1 H	Patterson Uti #192	Drig Ahead
8300	Devcon Energy	Pizama #2 H	Patterson Uti #49	Drig Ahead
12000	Endeavor Energy Res	Mdean- 1207- #4	Big Dog Drilling #5	Assigned
10800	Laredo Petro-Dallas	Sugg- A- #183	Precision Drilling #005	Moving On
12900	El Paso E&P Company	University G-12 #1 H	Precision Drilling #93	Moving On
9500	Firm Natural Res	Back Hollow #120F	Feldhoff Bros #2	Moving On
12000	Jim Cas Resources	EJ Johnson- 45- #9	Patterson Uti #487	Moving On
10500	James Inc	University Lands 11-9 #3F	Trinidad Drig #204	Drig Ahead
10800	Pioneer Natural	Wade- 1205- #3	Patterson Uti #73	Drig Ahead
9000	Pioneer Natural	Von Gosten #4	Patterson Uti #87	Drig Ahead
10500	Apache Corp	Jaffe- 3a- #1	Oryan Drilling Lc #5	Drig Ahead
9000	Firm Natural Res	Cisco Company #4a	Patterson Uti #162	Drig Ahead
10650	Firm Natural Res	Mesquite- A- #119	Patterson Uti #495	Drig Ahead
10000	Kindee Oil & Gas	Tx Sh- 8a- #8	Union Drilling Texas #205	Drig Ahead
10500	Broad Oak Energy Inc	Srh- B- #236	Union Drilling Texas #206	Drig Ahead
10500	Laredo Petro-Dallas	Sugg- C- #165a	Union Drilling Texas #226	At.D.
10800	Pioneer Natural	University 3-7 #4	Patterson Uti #508	Drig Ahead
12000	Prime Operating	Stanley #11	Patterson Uti #169	Drig Ahead
10800	Laredo Petro-Dallas	Sugg- A- #144k	Precision Drilling #10	Drig Ahead
12000	Endeavor Energy Res	Hiby- D- #5	Big Dog Drilling #4	Drig Ahead
10100	Pioneer Natural	Hulet- 13a- #2	Lariat Services #28	As Direct
3300	Oryan Oil & Gas	University #106	Oryan Drilling Lc #9	W.D.O.
10800	Pioneer Natural	University 3-22 #6	Patterson Uti #151	Drig Ahead
8200	Highmount E&P Tx	Reynolds- 25- #2	Patterson Uti #161	Drig Ahead
8000	Approach Operating	University 5-2 #2	Nabors Drilling #709	Drig Ahead
8100	Xog Operating Lc	University Schleicher- 21- #1	Wiking Drilling Lc #20	Drig Ahead
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The OZONA STOCKMAN DEADLINE IS NOON Monday

PUBLIC NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE:

This Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off game will close on December 9, 2011. You have until June 6, 2012, to redeem any tickets for this game: **#1315 Cash Extravaganza** (\$5) overall odds are 1 in 3.98. This Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off game will close on December 10, 2011. You have until June 7, 2012, to redeem any tickets for this game: **#1238 Solid Gold** (\$10) overall odds are 1 in 4.22. This Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off game will close on December 30, 2011. You have until June 27, 2012, to redeem any tickets for this game: **#1339 Green and Gold** (\$5) overall odds are 1 in 3.87. These Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off games will close on February 1, 2012. You have until July 30, 2012, to redeem any tickets for these games: **#1332 Money Tripler** (\$3) overall odds are 1 in 4.68, **#1328 Fat Cat Tripler** (\$2) overall odds are 1 in 4.45, **#1338 Super 8's** (\$1) overall odds are 1 in 4.60, **#1325 5 Times Lucky** (\$5) overall odds are 1 in 3.98. The odds listed here are the overall odds of winning any prize in a game, including break-even prizes. Lottery retailers are authorized to redeem prizes of up to and including \$599. Prizes of \$600 or more must be claimed in person at a Lottery Claim Center or by mail with a completed Texas Lottery claim form; however, annuity prizes or prizes over \$1,000,000 must be claimed in person at the Commission Headquarters in Austin. Call Customer Service at 1-800-37LOTTO or visit the Lottery Web site at www.txlottory.org for more information and location of nearest Claim Center. The Texas Lottery is not responsible for lost or stolen tickets, or for tickets lost in the mail. Tickets, transactions, players, and winners are subject to, and players and winners agree to abide by, all applicable laws, Commission rules, regulations, policies, directives, instructions, conditions, procedures, and final decisions of the Executive Director. A Scratch-Off game may continue to be sold even when all the top prizes have been claimed. Must be 18 years of age or older to purchase a Texas Lottery ticket. PLAY RESPONSIBLY. The Texas Lottery Supports Texas Education.

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- On or about the 1st day of November 2011, Crockett County Sheriff Roy Glenn Sutton located and identified two unclaimed horses as estrays.
- These two estray horses were found 20 to 25 miles south on Fm2083 (Pandale Road) in Crockett County.
- The estray horses were impounded at the Bill Black pens, on 1602 Sheffield Rd. (Highway 290) west of Ozona, in Crockett County. The estrays shall remain at this current location until disposition.
- The estrays are described as:
 - One - brown & black hair stud horse approximately 3 to 5 years old, with 3 legs with black markings, and 1 rear leg with black and white marking. This horse has a long white marking on it's face with a black mane & tail, no identifiable brand
 - One - white hair mare horse approximately 5 to 10 years old, no identifiable brand
- The owner of these estrays may recover possession at any time before the estrays are sold under this chapter. The owner shall pay the expenses incurred by the Sheriffs office during the impoundment, care, and or selling of estrays, Contact the Sheriffs Office at 325-392-2661
- The estray notice has been posted at the Crockett County clerk's office and shall be sold at an auction, after the 15th day of this publication.

Respectfully, Roy Glenn Sutton
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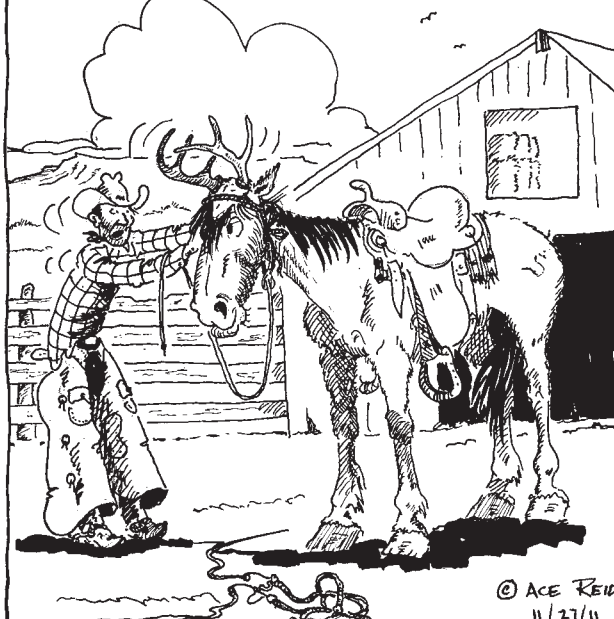
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CROCKETT COUNTY PUBLIC NOTICE

ORDER RESTRICTING OUTDOOR BURNING

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

All burns shall be reported to the Crockett County Sheriff's Office (325) 392-2661 and the Fire Chief (325) 392-2626 prior to commencing, together with the name of the landowner, location involved and expert to be on hand. This Order does NOT prohibit outdoor cooking in a properly contained area which is attended at all times. In accordance with the Local Government Code 352.081 (h), a violation of this Order is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.

ADOPTED this the 21st day of November, 2011.
- Crockett County Commissioners' Court

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