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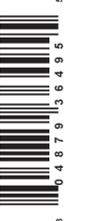
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Supreme Court hears Texas redistricting case

BY ROSS RAMSEY
TEXAS TRIBUNE

The U.S. Supreme Court heard arguments Monday about Texas redistricting and now must decide whether the state's primaries must be delayed to buy time for the courts to approve new maps.

It appears that the justices have to choose between waiting for the current round of lower court proceedings to play out, pushing back the primaries or choosing an interim map to use now, keeping the primaries on schedule.

The high court took the case in December, after a panel of three federal judges in San Antonio adopted an interim map of its own making for the 2012 primary elections.

The Texas Legislature approved maps last year, but those haven't received pre-clearance — required by the federal Voting Rights Act — from another panel of three federal judges in Washington, D.C.

Election deadlines were approaching with no legal political districts in place, and the San Antonio court decided to draw a new map to be used until a permanent map could be approved.

"The justices on the court seemed to agree, at a minimum, that the three-judge court [in San Antonio] was wrong in the procedure that they followed and the conclusion that they reached," Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott said after the hearing.

That's been his argument all along. The state went to the Supreme Court



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to block the interim court map, saying the Legislature's map — though not pre-cleared — ought to be used for the 2012 elections.

The Supreme Court granted the state's stay, barring election officials from using the San Antonio map.

Monday's hearing was the first step in deciding how things should proceed.

Abbott, whose office is defending the Legislature's maps, started off with praise for the "sterling job" done by Paul Clement, the attorney he hired to argue before the justices. Abbott, who was a judge before becoming attorney general, said the justices spent some time working out the complexities of the cases and the timetable, asking,

for instance, about the consequences of issuing their own ruling before a lower court decides whether or not to pre-clear the maps drawn by Texas legislators.

After watching the arguments, he wouldn't venture a guess about the likelihood of an April 3 primary. "It's very hard to read it," Abbott said.

He wasn't alone in that analysis.

"It's hard to know what the final verdict will be," said state Rep. Marc Veasey, D-Fort Worth, one of the plaintiffs in one of the lawsuits over Texas redistricting. He declared for Congress after the San Antonio court's map put a new district in Tarrant County.

"They seem to really want to make sure that

when the election is held, that it's not hastily done," Veasey said of the justices. "They asked several times how far they could push the election back."

Veasey, like others, said it was impossible to read what the court will do. "We're going to have an election, sooner or later," he said.

The state hasn't challenged the Voting Rights Act directly. But if the Supreme Court decides the Legislature's map should be used even though it doesn't have the required pre-clearance, it would weaken the federal government's control over political maps and procedures used in Texas and other states covered by the Voting Rights Act.

The primaries have already been delayed, from March 6 to April 3. Holding them any later would put the state's political parties in peril because their biennial conventions, set for June, would have to be held before the runoff elections. That could tangle up the selection of delegates for national conventions later in the summer.

But it was near the top of the questions from the justices on the court. "Texas has a very early primary," said Justice Samuel Alito. "Some states have them for congressional races in the fall, and the latest presidential primary I think is at the end of June. So why can't this

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Commissioners lift burn ban

The Crockett County Commissioners' Court approved lifting of the county wide burn ban during Monday's regular meeting.

Ozona Fire Chief Bob Falkner told the commissioners that now was probably a good time for a break due to more moisture forecasted for the next few days.

The ban will be lifted for one month and then the commissioners will evaluate the situation during their February meeting.

The commissioners did issue a statement for all citizens to use common sense when conducting any outdoor burning.

Crockett County has been under a burn ban since November 2010.

The National Weather Service in San Angelo released a report last week from the National Climatic Data Center that 2011 was the driest calendar year on record for the state, with 14.88 inches of rain recorded for the entire state.

Previous driest was 14.99 inches in 1917.

NCDC also reported that 2011 was the second hottest calendar year on record at an average of 67.2 degrees. The warmest year on record was average 67.5 degrees in 1921.

OTHER ITEMS APPROVED:

- New library board members Susie Childress and Bobbie Griffin.
- Advertising for bids on the court records vault in the courthouse annex.
- West Texas Rehab rental lease agreement.
- Commissioners court meetings every second Monday at the courthouse annex.

Renfro wins Reserve Grand at Sandhills Stock Show



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KELBIE RENFROE won Reserve Grand Champion Lamb at the Sandhills Stock Show this past weekend in Odessa. Also placing from Crockett County: Lane Hale, second place overall; Timothy Maldonado, fifth place overall; Alex Hopper eighth in class. Also participating were: Weston Seahorn, Trace Justiss, Jarrett Justiss, Brenna Hale, Ethan Criswell and Sydney Flores.

Why a Facilities Program?

Editor's Note: This is the first in a series of planned informational articles aimed at informing the Ozona community in detail about aspects of current facilities planning and evaluation in CCCSD. Readers are encouraged to contact school leaders and the CCCSD Board of Trustees with questions and concerns. In addition to information published here, the district will be hosting a number of discussion sessions and site tours soon so that Crockett County citizens can have full, transparent information about school facility and possible bond planning. Details of these meeting times and locations will be published soon.

BY CHRIS DUBOIS
CCCCSD SUPERINTENDENT

District Site-Based decision making discussions in recent years have consistently identified a need and desire to continue to modernize and improve instructional and support

facilities, with aged Ozona High School the primary concern. Now that Ozona Elementary School is complete, and we have recent successful experience completing a facilities project, we have confidence that the environment is good to move forward and continue improvements. We have heard repeatedly through these discussions that constituents see no reason why Crockett County students should not benefit from the best facilities and programming we can provide. We have seen first-hand with OES the impact and enthusiasm for learning that bright, modern, safe facilities provide students and staff. Additionally, the economic climate is very good right now in terms of projected material and labor cost drivers, and market conditions for municipal investment. CCCSD enjoys good finan-

cial health that should also facilitate advantage in negotiating borrowing costs. Timing has probably never been better for school facility concerns.

Primary Goals Identified through Site-Based and Board Discussions since 2009 include:

- Modernize OHS to provide comprehensive 21st Century educational environment that reflects the pride of the community.
- Consolidate instructional space to promote efficiencies and safety.
- Preserve and highlight prominent historical structures and architectural features of OHS - especially the Heritage Building, Auditorium and Davidson Gym. These spaces have great historical and sentimental value to our community. We would like to increase the

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FRIDAY AT THE OHS DAVIDSON GYM

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Congressman addresses frustrating 2011, hopes for 2012

As we welcome the new year and wind down the holiday season, many people are returning to their normal routines. For Washington, I hope that's not the case. Like many Americans, I have been extremely frustrated with the gridlock and inaction by Washington in 2011. I know that if I'm frustrated as a Member of Congress, the American people have got to be just as frustrated - if not more - than I am.

Despite the recession being "officially" over, too many

Americans were without a job and our economy is still growing at an anemic pace. Washington needed to act to address the uncertainty caused by policies, like President Obama's health care law, that has left too many job creators hesitant to hire because they are wonder-



GREETINGS FROM WASHINGTON
FRANCISCO "QUICO" CANSECO

ing, "what is Washington going to do to me next?" Listening to job creators and the American people, the House of Representatives acted and passed over 25 jobs bills - many on a bipartisan basis. Unfortunately, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid and other Senate liberals seem to be more concerned about the electoral outlook instead of the jobs outlook for the American people and have blocked these bills from being considered in the United

States Senate. They have insisted that its either the Senate's way or the highway, instead of sitting down with the House of Representatives and working out our differences.

This was clear for all to see in recent efforts to extend the one year payroll tax holiday for another year through 2012. The House of Representatives passed a bill to extend it for one year, giving tax certainty to American families for 2012. I believed this to be the most responsible approach, given that most fam-

ily budgets are planned over a longer period of time than two months. However, the Senate - anxious to leave town for the holidays - did not want to make the tough decisions required to extend the holiday for a full year at this time, and took the easy way out and passed a two month extension and left town for the year. The House of Representatives initially rejected this band-aid solution; preferring doing what was right for American families, and not convenient for Members

of Congress' schedules. The House was willing to take as long as needed - even working through the holidays - for the House and Senate to work out our differences. Experts told us that the Senate's two month solution would be unworkable for businesses to implement. However, the Senate refused to come back and would only agree to work on negotiating a year-long extension if the House would pass the Senate-passed two

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Where are the flying cars and robot maids?

Where are the flying cars? Where is my robot maid? It's 2012 and I have to say I'm kind of disappointed in what is supposed to be "the future."

Growing up, my friends and I would watch "The Jetsons" on TV and dream of one day have our own car to fly around.

We have electric cars, hybrid cars, smart cars but flying cars haven't really caught on yet.

I read an article on the internet that Google is working on a car that drives itself, which is nice but we're all still stuck here on the ground fighting traffic.

Now, "The Jetsons" was set in 2062, exactly 50 years from today. This means 2012 is the half-way point, so we've still got some time before we are all driving around in flying cars.

"Back to the Future Part II" was set in 2015 and it had flying cars, so it would be nice to see some movement in this direction.

However, where is my "Rosie," the Jetsons' robot maid?

In 2008, a robot called ReadyBot was featured in an article that could pick up items.

That's nice but Rosie cleaned, cooked, picked up and basically ran the household. So did Robin Williams in "Bicentennial Man," which starts out in 2005.

Hello! We are running behind robot people!

Now, we do have the Roomba vacuum cleaner that you are suppose to push a button, leave alone and it cleans the



WHAT'S ON MY MIND

MELISSA PERNER

carpet, but it doesn't do dishes or cleans the bathroom.

Technology-wise I am amazed by some of the things we do have.

We have the Internet which

gives us e-mail, instant message, Facebook and Twitter and the ability to order pajamas in our pajamas.

We have smart phones that can give us instant news, take pictures, video chat, text, play games and make phone calls, when we have service.

There are coffee makers that can make you your own individual coffee, soda machines to make your soda and grills that take all the fat out of your food.

We have instant music, instant movies, TVs we can pause, record shows and then watch them over and over again.

We have all these great conveniences and yet we still have people sitting in gridlock every day.

We still have to break down and clean the toilet.

We still do not have the future that we all were promised as a child.

So, I'll hop in my Jeep, plug in my iPhone, turn on my music in my iPod, stick my Bluetooth in my ear and head to the ranch.

When the flying car does actually happen, we'll probably be teleporting already.

MELISSA PERNER is the editor and publisher of The Ozona Stockman. She needs a robot maid.

A Longer Short-Cut



IT'S THE PITTS

LEE PITTS

Every Christmas I look forward to getting a traditional card from a ranch family in which every member is mounted on a good looking Quarter Horse with a silver bit in its mouth. So you can imagine my dismay when their 2011 Christmas card arrived and they were all mounted on a lazy man's horse... an ATV. What is the world coming to?

I just don't get it. The opportunity to ride a horse for a living is why many of us got into the cattle business to begin with. If I wanted to ride a glorified motorcycle for a living I'd have become a freeway cop or an X Games superstar. I'd have thought that no self-respecting cowboy would be caught dead on a Honda, but lately I'm seeing more ATV's unloaded out of Goosenecks, instead of a good horse. Just one more sign of the moral decay in this country.

There's not a four-wheeler made that can cut a cow like a good horse, and an ATV can't go everywhere a steer can. I'm also curious, what do you do if you see a sick calf that need's doctoring? Where do you take your dally, on the handlebars?

Don't misunderstand me, I'm just as lazy as the next guy and I'm a greenie too, I'm all for conserving energy, but you're never going to catch me on the back of some Japanese cowhorse. Not that I haven't taken some shortcuts as a cowman. In fact, I think I'm the guy who first came up with the concept of "trailerling."

Every once in a while I have an occasion-

al streak of brilliance and one day as I was saddling up my wonder-horse Gentleman the idea occurred to me that I could load him in my antique two-horse trailer, drive down the freeway that borders the ranch, and save myself a lot of time in the saddle. It would also "save" my horse and be safer because I wouldn't have to risk my life riding through The Devil's Garden with boulders the size of Volkswagens, or up the steep mountain known around these parts as Achilles Hill. So named because it was the easiest place on the ranch to get killed.

One dewy morning Gentleman and I went skiing down the triple-black-diamond Achilles Hill on his slick horseshoes and ever since then Gentleman has shown a particular disdain for winter sports. Other than trailerling down the freeway, that was the only time he'd ever gone faster than five miles per hour in his life. And did I mention that the hardest thing about riding in such country is the ground. You had to be real careful at all times to avoid coming in contact with it. Which I didn't.

It's a short, sticky path we follow between "trailerling" your horse and becoming

anything more than a "windshield cowboy", which is cheating, plain and simple. Riding a pickup instead of a horse is not what real cowboys are supposed to do, and I was always a little embarrassed that I would do something so un-cowboy like. So I was really careful not to let anyone see me trailerling down the highway. Especially the cops, because my trailer was missing a few things... like lights, fenders, safety chain, current registration and an effective manure containment system.

Trailerling didn't always make life easier. Some days I trailerled and some days I didn't, depending on the task at hand. I'll never forget the long day Gentleman and I spent fixing fence along a really steep section. Modesty prohibits me from admitting that I'm a good pliers-man, but due to my thriftiness I can fix even the biggest breaks with a minimum of new wire. After eight hours of fencing Gentleman and I still had to traverse Devil's Garden and Achilles Hill before arriving back at headquarters.

There my wife greeted me with a puzzled look on her face. "I thought you took the trailer this morning," she stated in condescending fashion.

I paused briefly to consider the possibility and got back on my horse.

"Where are you going?" she asked.

With just a hint of dejection in my voice I replied, "I forgot something."

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Redistricting issues could force primary even later

AUSTIN — Merits arguments from parties in the lawsuits over the contested Texas redistricting maps were scheduled to be heard by the U.S. Supreme Court on Jan. 9.

A Dec. 16, 2011, federal court order optimistically set April 3 as the Texas Primary Election date. Whatever the fate of maps drawn by the Legislature and maps drawn by a three-judge panel of the San Antonio-based U.S. District Court, Western District of Texas, potential court maneuvers by plaintiffs and defendants could chew through the calendar and render April 3 useless as a date for the primary.

On the subject of primaries, last year and in other years past there have been calls from the electorate, and legislative attempts, to move the Texas Primary Election date earlier on the calendar to increase the Lone Star State's relevance in the nationwide process.

One often-stated argument for moving the primary election date earlier — meaning earlier than a normal Super Tuesday, first Tuesday in March, primary

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— is that doing so could make Texas more influential in the outcome of presidential races.

With its increase from 32 congressional seats to 36 thanks to population growth and the 2010 U.S. Census, Texas arguably deserves a higher-profile position in the process, but moving the primary to an earlier date shortens the window of time candidates have to raise campaign funds. Some candidates would suffer and some would benefit from that, but voters would have less time to observe, question, scrutinize, and decide.

In any case, the presidential race goes on. Both Texas candidates, while not at the head of the pack, show signs of completing the January portion of the Republican primary hopscotch, which at this writing includes New Hampshire, Jan. 10; South Carolina, Jan. 21; and Florida, Jan. 31. The Iowa caucus was Jan. 3.

Gov. Rick Perry, who jumped into the race in August, soared for a few weeks, hit turbu-

lence in televised debates and dropped into a descent path, still has more campaign money in his tank than his rivals. U.S. Rep. Ron Paul, R-Texas, on the other hand, enjoys a following that seems to grow as the weeks pass.

AIR POLLUTION RULE PUT ON HOLD

Texas' request for a stay to the Environmental Protection Agency's Cross State Air Pollution Rule was granted by the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals on Dec. 30.

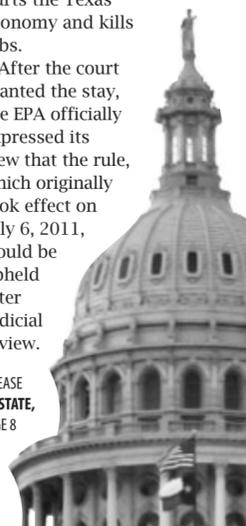
The intent of the rule known by the acronym CSAPR is to improve air quality by reducing power plant emissions that contribute to ozone and/or fine particle pollution that blows into other states. Environmentalists and public health advocates praised the rule because of its potential to reduce diseases traced to chemicals contained in smogstack releases.

Last year, however, the governor, lieutenant governor,

speaker, attorney general, comptroller, railroad commissioner, land commissioner and other state officials protested the rule before and after it was finalized last summer. Most objections were based on the idea that curbing releases from smogstack industries hurts the Texas economy and kills jobs.

After the court granted the stay, the EPA officially expressed its view that the rule, which originally took effect on July 6, 2011, would be upheld after judicial review.

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Public invited to Jan. 19 Texas Pecos Trail meeting

BY SCOTT JORDAN
TEXAS PECOS TRAIL

The Texas Pecos Trail Region bi-monthly Board Meeting, Annual Meeting, Networking Lunch, and Educational Experience will be held on Jan. 19, 10 a.m., in Sonora at the Sutton County Steak House, Interstate-10 and U.S. Highway 277 (north service road). The public is welcome to attend.

Lunch will be served at noon. Cost is \$10 per person and will be collected at the door.

Educational speaker will be Delyse Jaeger, director of Eaton Hill Wildlife Sanctuary. The Texas Pecos Trail Region encompasses 22

West Texas counties in the Trans-Pecos area: Andrews, Crane, Crockett, Ector, Edwards, Glasscock, Kimble, Kinney, Loving, Martin, Maverick, Midland, Pecos, Reagan, Reeves, Sterling, Sutton, Terrell, Upton, Val Verde, Ward, and Winkler.

The Texas Heritage Trails Program is the Texas Historical Commission's award-winning tourism initiative designed to help Texas communities promote tourism, revitalize local economies and foster community leadership through historic preservation.

RSVP by Saturday, Jan. 14, to Scott Jordan, Executive Director, at info@texaspecostrail.com or call (325) 387-3900.

Crockett County Relay For Life committee, team meetings Jan. 30

BY SHELLY CHILDRESS
RELAY FOR LIFE EVENT CHAIR

The American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Crockett County is holding a committee meeting on Monday, Jan. 30 at 5:30 p.m. for Committee Members and 6 p.m. for all Team Members at the Crockett County Public Library.

Anyone interested in having a team at the event is invited to attend.

Relay For Life is the signature event of the American Cancer Society.

It is a fun-filled, overnight event that mobilizes communities throughout the country to celebrate survivors (anyone who has ever been diagnosed with cancer), remember loved ones, commit to fighting back through healthy lifestyle changes, and raise money for the fight against cancer.

Teams of eight to 15 members gather with tents and sleeping bags to participate in the largest grassroots fund-raising event in

the nation. Relay For Life brings together friends, families, businesses, hospitals, schools, and communities. Teams fund-raise prior to the Relay, all with the goal of eliminating cancer.

To learn more about Relay For Life, visit www.RelayForLife.org/crockettcotx.

For information on the Jan. 30 meeting or if you would like to volunteer on the Relay for Life committee, please contact Shelly Childress at (325) 277-5381.

The American Cancer Society is dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by saving lives, diminishing suffering, and preventing cancer through research, education, advocacy, and service.

Founded in 1913 and with its national headquarters in Atlanta, the Society has 13 regional Divisions and local offices in 3, 400 communities, involving millions of volunteers across the United States.

For more information, call 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit www.cancer.org.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Wednesday, Jan. 11

- Exercise Classes, 8 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- West Texas Rehab Open House, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at 908 1st Street.
- Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Youth Basketball Registration, 5-7 p.m. at OMS Gym.

Thursday, Jan. 12

- Yoga, 3-4:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- OMS Lady Lions vs. Ballinger, 4 p.m. at the OMS Gym.
- OMS Lions vs. Ballinger, 5:30 p.m. at Ballinger.
- Youth Basketball Registration, 5-7 p.m. at OMS Gym.

Friday, Jan. 13

- OMS Parent/Teacher Conference, all day at Ozona Middle School.
- JV and Varsity Lady Lions and Lions vs. Sonora, 5 p.m. at the OHS Davidson Gym.

Saturday, Jan. 14

- Levis and Lace Square Dance, 2-4 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Sunday, Jan. 15

- Bingo, 3 p.m. at the OLPH Parish Hall.

Monday, Jan. 16

- Exercise Classes, 8 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Ladies' Bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- OMS Lions vs. Sonora, 4 p.m. at the OMS Gym.
- OMS Lady Lions vs. Sonora at Sonora.

Tuesday, Jan. 17

- Ozona Woman's Forum, 3 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- JV and Varsity Lady Lions and Lions vs. Brady, 5 p.m. at the OHS Davidson Gym.
- Levis and Lace Square Dance Lessons, 7 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Wednesday, Jan. 18

- Exercise Classes, 8 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- CCCSD Board of Trustees meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Building.

Owens earns master's from Texas A&M

Dawson C. Owens graduated from Texas A&M University last month with his master of agriculture in rangeland ecology and management.

Diplomas were awarded to approximately 3,600 Texas A&M University gradu-

ates during fall commencement ceremonies.

Owens is an Ozona High School graduate and the son of Cindy and James Owens of Ozona.

He is starting his career this month as a county extension agent in Sanderson.

Agriculture leadership program seeking applicants

COLLEGE STATION — Texas Agricultural Lifetime Leadership Program is seeking applicants for its new class which will begin in July.

TALL is a two-year leadership development program managed by the Texas AgriLife Extension Service. Applications for the newest class, Class XIII, are due March 15. Application forms are online at <http://tall.tamu.edu>.

The program invests 455 hours of intensive training per person in seminars, speakers and domestic and internation-

al study trips over two years, Mazurkiewicz added. Class XIII will travel to Brazil.

The program is equivalent to the time spent obtaining a master's degree in agriculture. The typical class size is about 25, and tuition is \$2,500.

Participants include traditional crop producers, ranchers, bankers and attorneys, as well as those who work in lumber, food processing, agricultural corporations and horticultural industries

Angelo State announces fall semester Dean's List

Angelo State University has released its dean's list for the 2011 fall semester.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must be enrolled full time at ASU and must maintain a 3.25 or better grade-point average on a 4.0 scale.

Students from Ozona named: Kara L. Bird, Briana L. Bollinger Clark, Kelsey

A. Childress, Jonathan C. Flores, Shawntee D. Goff, Sarah E. Gonzalez, Duncan M. Knox, Nathan K. Knox and Matthew T. Komechak.

Happy Birthday

Jan. 11 - Shane Albers, Sean Davis, Melissa Oviedo Samarripa, Michael Esparza, Penny Stewart, Lydia Fierro and Alicia Lopez

Jan. 12 - Kevin Webb, Mario F. Mendoza, Maria Antonia Quiroz, Heidi Williams and Alan Bloebaum

Jan. 13 - Mark Valadez

Jan. 14 - Michael Molina Jr., Brenda Ortiz, Laurie English, Carmen Sutton, Sharon Williams, Raymond Adcock and Martha Rocha

Jan. 15 - Esther Williams, Jessica Phelps, Justin Ray Yeager, Samuel Perez and Diana Rodriguez

Jan. 16 - Jane Chandler, Miranda Villarreal, Richard Jackson and Vivian Medina

Jan. 17 - O'Rion Bilano, Maria Camarillo, Amenda Poindexter, Irma Fernandez, Leticia Payne, Irmalena Ortiz, Isabel Aguilar, Michelle Camarillo, Mark Hernandez, Kay Shaffer, Donna Sanders and Gary Vannoy

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OZONA SENIOR HAPPENINGS

Yoga classes begin Thursday

BY LYNN ENGLISH
SENIOR CENTER DIRECTOR

We are moving ahead with the holidays behind us. They were great but now it is time to settle down and get busy.

The weather is getting colder and the children in all of us are hoping for snow.

Jack Adams had a fall and broke his hip. He is in the hospital after having surgery.

His wife Terry is staying with him and we are wishing for a speedy recovery.

Al and Betty Fields are in the care center in Bronte. The last I heard Al was improving. We are keeping you both in our prayers.

Many people have been asking about when Concho Valley Community Action would be here to assist with utility bills. The last we heard here at the Senior Center was they were out of funding and did not know when or if they would return. Keep watching this column for upcoming details, and I will let you know as soon as something comes up.

Mridula (Mary Marie) Karma has agreed to give yoga lessons at the Senior Center. She explained to me the key word associated with yoga is Pranayam, or control/regulation of the life force.

The yoga lessons will begin on Thursday, Jan. 12, at 3 p.m. here at the Senior Center. The first class will help us learn about breath. Interested parties are urged to attend.

It is the time of the year to remind those of you who have extra calendars to bring them in so that we can give them to the people that Helping Hands deliver meals to.

We greatly appreciate those of you who have already brought calendars in to us.

The bridge game will be played on Monday 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 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 fourth Saturday at 2 until 4 p.m.

Tuesdays have been set aside for any of you who would like to play dominoes. You can play in 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 are on 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 and older.

Managing diabetes classes start Jan. 23 at the Ozona United Methodist Church

The New Year has begun and to kick it off right, Do Well Be Well with Diabetes (DWBW) classes will be offered beginning Monday, Jan. 23 in the Ozona United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

DWBW is a five-class curriculum with two lessons offered at each class.

This curriculum was compiled by Texas AgriLife

Extension using current material from American Diabetes Association and other evidence based sources. It is highly recommended that you attend all five classes however, it is not a requirement.

The schedule is: Monday, Jan. 24; Tuesday, Jan. 24; Thursday, Jan. 26; Monday, Jan. 30 and Tuesday, Jan. 31. All classes will be

gin at 5:30 p.m.

Diabetes is a life-long disease. These classes will help you manage your diabetes instead of diabetes controlling you. There is no charge. Different recipes will be prepared and sampled at each class.

For more information, call EA Wadsworth, RN with any questions and to RSVP at 392-3060.

DEATH NOTICES

Judy Robertson

Judy Robertson died Jan. 8, 2012. Services are pending. She is survived by husband, Gus Robertson, three children, Curtis Sheppard, Tommy Sheppard and Vicky Byler and previous husband, Floyd Sheppard.

OZONA GARDEN CLUB NEWS

The Ozona Garden Club held its December meeting at the home of Charlotte Harrell. Hostesses were Charlotte Harrell and Jerri Lynn Pierce.

President Debi Hamilton welcomed guests Julia Henderson and Jean Reardon. Tina Bean read the minutes and they were approved. Carmen read the treasure's report. Jan made a motion to approve the treasure's report and Charlotte seconded the motion. Pamela reported on the Smokey the Bear posters. Members

discussed the garden club scholarship. A minimum of \$500 was voted on and passed.

The next meeting will be Monday, Jan. 16, at the home of Carmen Sutton.

Members in attendance were: Tina Bean, Vivian Childress, Arlene Clayton, Debi Hamilton, Charlotte Harrell, Jeannine Henderson, Camille Jones, Pamela Maresch, Jerri Lynn Pierce, Carmen Childress Sutton, Jan Van Shoubrouek, Esther Williams and Nancy Forehand.

HELPING HANDS NEWS

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 11
·Steak fingers with gravy, corn, coleslaw, roll and Jello.

THURSDAY, JAN. 12
·Chicken fajita salad, lettuce, tomatoes, rice, carrot and raisin salad and bread pudding.

FRIDAY, JAN. 13
·Sub sandwich with

trimmings, steak potatoes, pineapple and dessert.

MONDAY, JAN. 16
·Meatloaf, mash potatoes, green beans, roll and cake.

TUESDAY, JAN. 17
·Roast beef with gravy, oven roasted potatoes, vegetable blend, roll and pudding.

OZONA WOMAN'S LEAGUE NEWS

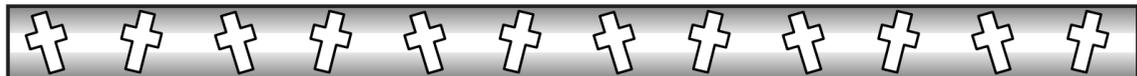
BY MELISSA PERNER
OZONA WOMAN'S LEAGUE

Members of Ozona Woman's League gathered Jan. 3 at the home of Breanne Hale.

New officers were elected for 2012-2014. They are: Publicity Chairman - Melissa Perner; Parliamentarian - Heather Claburn; Treasur-

er - Amy Conner; Vice President - Breanne Hale and President - Andie Richardson. They will be installed at the April meeting.

Kayla Davidson reminded everyone about the West Texas Rehab Telethon on Jan. 21. League members will be working the phones from 5-7 p.m. at Crockett National Bank.



SHE WANTS TO BE A COW

Her job was to protect the sheep but for whatever reason she stays with the cattle and will not leave them. When we call the calves to feed them the dog came a running. If they are laying down so is the dog. They even lick on her like grooming her hair and she just stands there and lets them do it. She has dog food but she even eats the pellets we give the calves. I think that dog really wants to be a cow. That reminds me of something in the Bible. We are born into the human race and we are human flesh not fish, beast or bird, (1 Corinthians 15:39). Now the Bible says that flesh and blood can not enter heaven or the Kingdom of God. So how do we get to heaven? Jesus said we must be born again or from above, (John 3:3). It is not a physical birth but a spiritual birth and that happens when we realize that Christ died on the cross for us and we call upon Him to forgive us of our sins, (Psalm 51:5, Ephesians 2:1-7) and put our faith in Him, (Galatians 3:24&25). We cannot do it ourselves it is an act of God, (John 3:36). For that dog to become a cow it would take a miracle and for us to see heaven a new (spiritual) birth. See you in Church next Sunday.

Brother J

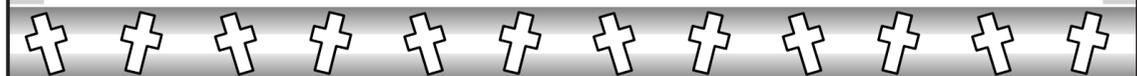
<p>First Baptist Church 901 Ave. D Pastor Chris Johnson Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting - 6 p.m.</p>	<p>Ozona Church of Christ 1002 11th St. Mr. Johnnie Perkins Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:00 p.m. Sun. Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.</p>	<p>Ozona United Methodist Church 12 - 11th St. Pastor Jean Reardon Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.</p>
<p>Templo Bautista Jerusalem 138 Blas St. Rev. Esequiel Cervantez Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday: 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Faith Lutheran Church 802 1st St. Pastor Tom Baden Worship: Sunday - 7 p.m. Bible Class: Sunday - 6 p.m.</p>	<p>Templo Siloe Assembly of God Church 2121 Santa Rosa St. Pastor Ruth & Gerson Posadas Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. Family Service: 6:30 p.m.</p>
<p>Iglesia Bautista Nueva Vida Corner of Secretariat & Man O' War Pastor Juan Avila Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. 6 p.m. Wed. Service: 6 p.m.</p>	<p>Iglesia de Dios De La Profecia 102 Man O' War St. Pastor Maria C. Salcedo Lunes: 6:00 p.m. Domingo: 9:45 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Martes: 6:00 p.m. Jueves: 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Our Lady of Perpetual Help 219 Martinez St. Fr. Nilo Nalugon Sun. Mass: 11 a.m. Tues. - Sat.: 6 p.m.</p>
<p>Calvary Baptist Church 601 Ave. I Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Sunday Worship: 6 p.m. Wednesday Worship: 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Attend the Church of your choice this Sunday</p>	
<p>New Beginnings Church 701 9th Street Pastor Carlos Cantu Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Wednesday: 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Iglesia de Cristo Hwy 163 S. at Quail Run Interim - Ray Valadez Sunday Bible Study: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m.</p>	

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utility and profile of the Heritage Building in particular as a regularly utilized, high-traffic community space. (Recent replacement and modernization of the entire climate control systems in Heritage demonstrate this commitment to preserving and honoring this fine facility).

There is community support and a desire for maintaining access to a rich curriculum for students at OHS that includes vocational, arts and technical experiences. Adequate attention to these programs is also a priority, as is support for more community connection through possible parent resource space and adult education programming development.

Constituents at past discussion sessions have expressed that they want to provide for a safe and efficient instructional environment at OHS that minimizes transitions for students by organizing the bulk of class spaces under one roof, on one side of the street. We want to streamline and organize movement on campus and develop the site in a very attractive way that makes effective use of spaces and is a source of community pride. The result should be a modern facility with a very tradition feel, complimenting, featuring and highlighting the most historical aspects of the current site.

The board has secured the services of a trusted district friend in Chapman Harvey Architects of Lubbock, to assist us in evalu-

ating options that fit our goals and to propose a facility plan that is realistic, offers great value and a world class experience for students that our community can be proud of for many decades. CHA is a down-to-earth firm with extensive small school experience, and a good track record here in CCCCS. Larry Harvey designed and oversaw 1999 modifications to OMS, Davidson Gym and the OHS Band Hall. They know our community and are not interested in one-and-done projects. They foster long-term relationships with schools and communities.

Likewise, we have secured the planning assistance of Waldrop Construction of Brownwood - the builders of OES - to advise our facilities team and architect, at no cost, through the evaluation and planning processes necessary to arrive at a well-designed and cost-effective solution.

I can personally attest that without Waldrop's expertise, professionalism, flexibility and attitude of service to the client no-matter-what, the OES project would have never been as complete, nor finished anywhere close to on time. We are very pleased to have their agreement to participate in our planning - but they are not guaranteed anything. They will have the same opportunity to bid on any project that may be authorized by voters - but they have to compete like everyone else if and when we have a project. Until then, they are working for free.

High school facilities are expensive for sure, and

complex. Additionally, any major facility project that includes renovation and not just new construction presents special challenges.

We appreciate this reality, and fully expect that a thoughtful, well planned and well-constructed high school facility will take 5-6 years to complete at minimum, but stand for the next 100 years.

We will assemble a facilities planning team this spring that will consist of appropriate school district personnel, key community and parent representatives, and select board members. Together, this group will arrive at a proposed solution that meets the expressed needs and desires of our students and community.

Detailed facility design would not begin until after voters have had the chance to act. We are planning several public meetings and opportunities for citizens to ask questions and evaluate for themselves the need for improvements. Regular information will be posted on the school web site and shared via the Stockman and other media.

Please contact school office with your questions or input. Our goal is to provide the absolute finest educational facilities we can for your students. Ozona and Crockett County have much to be proud of.

Our school facilities should reflect community pride and heritage. We can accomplish this if the community can share this vision and supports this planning effort. We need your full awareness and input to proceed in authorized good stewardship.

Sign-up for CSP Program by Jan. 13

TEMPLE, TEXAS - USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) State Conservationist Salvador Salinas reminds agriculture producers that the ranking period cutoff date for the Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) is January 13, 2012. Producers interested in CSP should submit applications to their local NRCS office by the deadline so their applications can be considered during the first ranking period of 2012.

"CSP gives conservation minded producers the ability to apply and build on their current stewardship efforts," says Salinas. "Farmers and ranchers actively engaged in natural resource conservation practice have the opportunity to earn financial rewards through CSP."

CSP is a voluntary five-year program offered to landowners statewide through continuous signup. Producers interested in CSP should submit applications to their local NRCS office by the deadline so their applications can be considered during this first ranking period in 2012.

Eligible lands include cropland, pastureland, rangeland and nonindustrial forestland and agricultural land under the jurisdiction of Indian tribes. Individual landowners, legal entities and Indian tribes may be eligible to apply for CSP assistance. Participants will have the opportunity to receive pay-

ments for practices that maintain and improve water and soil quality, as well as enhance wildlife habitat.

Interested producers can obtain the information from the programs section of the Texas NRCS website <http://www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov>, or contact their USDA-NRCS field office.

ELECTIONS:

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all be pushed back, and wouldn't that eliminate a lot of the problems that we are grappling with in this case?"

The pre-clearance proceedings on the Legislature's plans are still under way; the three federal judges hearing that case will open hearings Jan. 17 on the Legislature's maps and plan to hear closing arguments Feb. 3.

If the Supreme Court decides the Texas elections should wait for a ruling from the Washington panel, the April 3 primaries will probably be delayed.

When the primaries were moved to April 3, election officials from around the state told the courts they'd have to have maps and candidate lists by Feb. 1; if they don't, those election officials, already

pressed, will argue they don't have time to put the elections together.

The state wants to use the Legislature's maps even if means using those without pre-clearance.

The U.S. solicitor general argued that that would undermine the Voting Rights Act, because those maps aren't legal until they've been pre-cleared. And the groups suing the state — a mix of Democrats, minority groups and civil rights organizations — argued that the only legal maps are the ones drawn by the federal judges in San Antonio, because the state's maps haven't been pre-cleared.

"I really think the court is struggling with letting the enacted [legislative] map go forward, given the Section 5 pre-clearance," said state Rep. Trey Martinez Fischer, D-San Antonio. He heads the Mexican American Legislative Caucus, whose lawyer, Jose Garza, argued for

the plaintiffs. "There didn't seem to be any support for letting that map go forward."

The Supreme Court could move things along by picking a map for use in the primaries while letting the court fight on permanent maps proceed. Or it could let the Washington court finish its work and let the elections use whatever comes out of the current litigation. Or it could tell the San Antonio judges to go back to the drawing board, drawing a new map starting from the Legislature's work.

The primary dates could be in trouble, even if the Supreme Court is fast. County election officials across the state have complained about the tight timelines, and Martinez Fischer said that might not hinge on the high court. "An April 3 primary is going to be challenging even without the Supreme Court weighing in," he said.

NOTICE OF SUBMISSION OF CROCKETT COUNTY COMMON CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT REDISTRICTING PLAN PRECLEARANCE REQUEST

The Crockett County Common Consolidated School District has submitted its Trustee District Redistricting Plan, approved by the Board of Trustees on November 16, 2011, to the United States Department of Justice for its review under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act, 42 USC §1973c. A complete duplicate copy of the submission is available for public review in the administrative offices of the Crockett County Common Consolidated School District, 797 Avenue D, Ozona, Texas. Any comments regarding the submission may be sent to:

AVISO DE PRESENTACIÓN DE LA SOLICITUD DE PREAUTORIZACIÓN DEL PLAN DE REDISTRIBUCIÓN DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR COMÚN CONSOLIDADO DE CROCKETT COUNTY

El Distrito Escolar del Condado de Crockett ha presentado su Plan de redistribución de distritos regentes aprobado por la Junta de Regentes el 16 de noviembre de 2011 al Departamento de Justicia de los Estados Unidos para su examen bajo la Sección 5 de la Ley del derecho al voto, 42 USC §1973c. Una copia duplicada completa de la presentación está a disposición del público en las oficinas administrativas del Distrito Escolar Común Consolidada de Crockett County, 797 Avenue D, Ozona, TX. Se pueden enviar comentarios sobre la presentación a:

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- 6 this Alan starred with TX Burnett in "Four Seasons" (81)
- 7 TX Dabney Coleman old TV series: "The _____ Maxwell Story"
- 8 Houston or Dallas commute: _____ pool
- 9 this Scala starred with TX Audie in '58 "Ride a Crooked Trail"
- 12 cow poke
- 16 TX-sized continent
- 18 TXism: "_____ Katy bar the door"
- 19 Lorrie Morgan tune: "What Part _____"
- 20 music recording format
- 21 "How do you _____ apples?"
- 24 bracelet ornaments
- 30 TXism: "a day late and _____"
- 33 distribute the cards again
- 34 TXism: "_____ to" (intend)
- 35 _____gallon hat
- 36 TX backyard treat: home _____
- 40 prophetic signs
- 43 TXism: "a shy _____ get no biscuits"
- 44 TX Bush liberated _____ wait in '91
- 45 once a store in TX: Jewel _____

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- 9 TX Bob Bullock went to TX Tech on the _____ Bill
- 10 TXism: "_____ your hair stand on end" (scary)
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- 13 TXism: "finished out _____" (lost)
- 14 "it was _____ mistake"
- 15 TXism: "a stepper"
- 17 TX Janis had drug _____ problem
- 22 TX singer Kenny (init.)
- 23 Guadalupe Peak or Pine Top (abbr.)
- 24 TX Lynda Bird married this Robb (init.)
- 25 skirt edge
- 26 Father's Day honoree (2 wds.)
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- 31 paddle
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- 38 TX Rangers sportscaster Nadel (init.)
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- 57 TX judge Catherine who became a TV personality

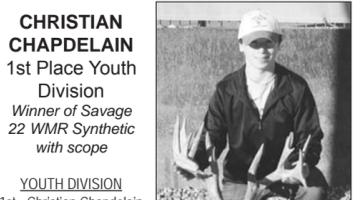
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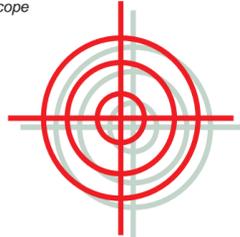
JENNIFER ADAMS
1st Place Women's Division
Winner of Howa Ranchland 223
Rem. Synthetic w/ scope



CHRISTIAN CHAPDELAIN
1st Place Youth Division
Winner of Savage 22 WMR Synthetic with scope

- WOMEN'S DIVISION**
- 1st - Jennifer Adams
Score: 160 - 5/8
 - 2nd - Alicia Davis
Score: 132 1/8
 - 3rd - Naomi Smith
Score: 126 - 1/8
 - 4th - Linda Stapper
Score: 121 3/8
 - 5th - Lynn Fowler
Score: 115 - 4/8
 - 6th - Dianne Colbert
Score: 115
 - 7th - Mary Grider
Score 109 - 7/8

- MEN'S DIVISION**
- 1st - Bo Howell
Score: 158 - 2/8
 - 2nd - Billie Peters
Score: 147
 - 3rd - Bubba Jackson
Score: 139 - 5/8
 - 4th - Tyler Henrichs
Score: 133
 - 5th - John Kravitz
Score: 129 - 4/8
 - 6th - Drake Martin
Score: 113 - 2/8
 - 7th - Robert Hearne
Score: 112 - 6/8



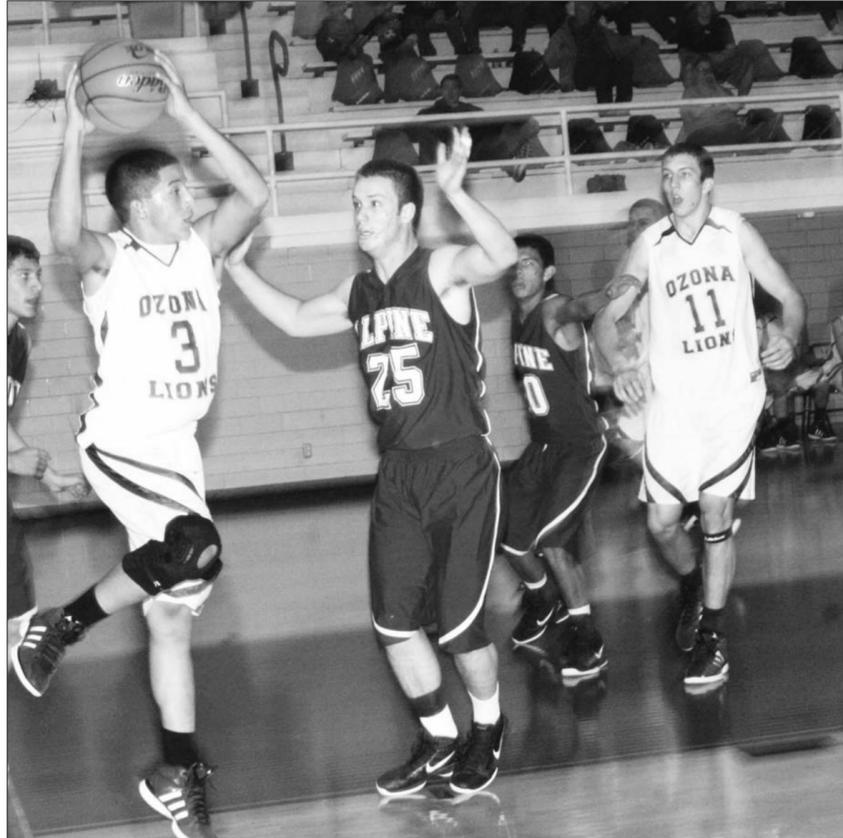
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JV LIONS defeated Alpine 37-15 on Jan. 6. Top: Robbie Sanchez makes a move and Logan Glaspie (bottom) takes it to the hoop.



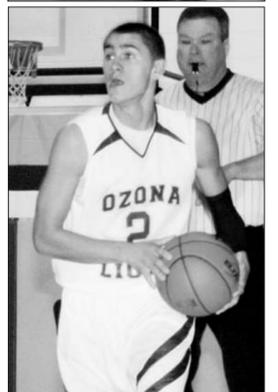
JAYTON RODRIGUEZ (left) looks for a fellow Lion to pass the ball to as teammate **Jerrold duBois** makes a move to help. Rodriguez scored eight points, duBois scored 15 as Ozona defeated Alpine 57-40 on Jan. 6.

Lions defeat Bucks, fall to Owls

The Ozona Lions defeated Alpine 57-40 on Jan. 6. Score by quarters: Ozona 14 13 13 17 - 57; Alpine 3 11 10 14 - 38. Scoring: Alex Borrego 7; Alejandro Mendez 2; Jayton Rodriguez 8; Saul Vargas 4; Jerrold duBois 15; Glen Tin-

ney 5; Noah Tambunga 1; Ryan Mayfield 13 and Tres Perez 2. The Lions lost to Reagan County 64-37 on Jan. 3. Score by quarters: Ozona 11 9 11 6 - 37; Reagan County 14 17 17 16 - 64. Scoring: Rodriguez 8;

Vargas 2; duBois 14; Tinney 9; Kramer Hall 1 and Mayfield 3. The Lions are now 7-11 overall. They will start district play against Sonora Friday and then play Brady Tuesday. Both games start at 8 p.m. at the OHS Davidson Gym.



TRES PEREZ (top) scored two points and **Ryan Mayfield** (bottom) scored 13 for the Lions Jan. 6 against Alpine.



VIVIAN MEDINA looks for a teammate to pass the ball to during the Jan. 6 game against Grape Creek. Ozona lost 57-27.

Lady Lions fall to Grape Creek

The Ozona Lady Lions lost to Grape Creek 57-27 on Jan. 6. Score by quarters: Grape Creek 6 15 26 10 - 57; Ozona 11 5 4 7 - 27. Scoring: Adrienne Sanchez 12, Stacie Quiroz 7, Cynthia Garcia 4, Kodi Glosson 2 and Brianna Cervantez 2. Lady Lions will take on Sonora Friday and Brady Tuesday. Both games will be at 6:30 p.m. at the OHS Davidson Gym.



LADY LION ADRIENNE SANCHEZ (top) moves the ball down the court. Sanchez had 12 points in the Jan. 6 game against Grape Creek. Bottom: Cynthia Garcia fights for the ball. Garcia had four points for Ozona.



KODI GLOSSON (top) scored two points for the Lady Lions. Stacie Quiroz made seven points during the Jan. 6 Grape Creek game.



JV LADY LIONS lost to Grape Creek 44-22 on Jan. 6. Top: Meagan Espinosa tries to stop a Grape Creek player. Bottom: Lazarae Rodriguez fights for the ball with a Grape Creek Lady Eagle.

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Media Book Club featuring OHS Teacher Dottie De Leon

CCPL has a new program for 2012.

The Media Book Club is a community outreach project for the PEARL Grant Program from the University of North Texas in Denton.

The PEARL Project is funded by the Robert and Ruby Priddy Charitable Trust.

The Priddy Charitable Trust has focused on liberal arts education, pre K-12 public education, community health care, and rural public libraries.

Upon completion of the project, CCPL will receive a \$1,000 grant.

Our Media Book Club will be a series of interviews and book reviews by influential people in our community in the newspaper, on the radio, for the Friends of the Library newsletter and on the CCPL Facebook page and website.

It will be very interesting to find out what our neighbors are reading and enjoy.

Listen to the radio and watch the paper for more info. What are you reading? You might be interviewed next.

This week's reader is Ozona High School Teacher Dottie De Leon.

De Leon teaches English, theatre and is coach and advisor for the JV Cheerleaders, National Honor Society, TAFE, One Act Play, UIL Prose and Literary Criticism and is the Sophomore Class Head Sponsor.

De Leon likes reading science fiction, fantasy and classical books.

"Books choose me," De Leon said.

When it comes to reading, she prefers holding the book in her hands, instead of on a device like a Kindle or iPad.

"I need the feel of a book and the turning of a page to really get lost in the magic of literature, but I will occasionally read online," she said.

Currently, De Leon is reading "Mr.Pipp" by Lloyd Jones with her OHS Sophomores, "Frankenstein" by Mary Shelly with the OHS Advanced Placement Literature Class and "Game of Thrones" by George R. Martin on her own.

"We cover a wide variety of books that cover all genres and time periods," she said.

For De Leon, books are more than just enjoyment, they are also a way to stress the importance of reading to her students.

"Research shows that 15 minutes of reading a day can increase a person's vocabulary by one million words each year. I tell my student that if they can read and understand there is nothing they can't accomplish," she said. "I am so thankful that my mom shared her love of reading with me. I, in turn, can share that with my son and my students."

The Crockett County Public Library is located at 1201 Avenue G. Library hours are: 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays; 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays; Closed Saturdays and Sundays.

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

OMS Parent/Teacher conferences Friday

Ozona Middle School is having parent/teacher conferences on Friday, Jan. 13, all day.

Parents must set up a conference in order to get their child's report card.

To set up a conference time, call Maria Perez at

329-5501 ext. 5804 or go to www.ozonaschools.net.

On ozonaschools.net, go to the tab labeled district, scroll down to campuses, click on Ozona Middle School and on the bottom of the page click on parent/teacher conferences.

Youth basketball registration today, Thursday at OMS Gym

Ozona Youth Basketball registration for boys and girls will be held today, Jan. 11, and Thursday, Jan. 12, at the Ozona Middle School Gym from 5-7 p.m.

Boys and girls in first through sixth grades are

eligible to play.

Registration fee is \$30, which includes team uniform and insurance.

For more information, call Eddie Lozano at (325) 226-9262 or (325) 392-5620.

San Angelo Area Foundation scholarship application available

The San Angelo Area Foundation's 2012 scholarship application is now available through March 1, 2012, for students attending college in the fall of 2012.

Interested students can apply at www.saafound.org, by clicking on the "Scholarships" tab. The San Angelo Area Foundation manages over 80 scholarship funds,

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Freshmen - Chellil Gonzales-Longoria

Bryce Gutierrez, Jadie Marshall, Jon-Luke Rodriguez, Alan Salazar, Nathaniel Valdes and Dalan Wilson.

A-B HONOR ROLL

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Juniors - Avni Bhakta, Jessica Borrego, Jade Carthy, Jerrod duBois, Cynthia Garcia, Mayra Rios, Christopher Taylor and Sierra Trevino.

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Freshmen - Justice Adkins, Marissa Held, Kristen Hernandez, Daniel Lombrana, Melissa Lozano, Ricardo Porras, Ryan Porras, Jayton Rodriguez, Loren Talamantez and Zackary Taylor.

Youth Center Calendar

OHS Food Night
Mondays 7-10 p.m.

7th and 8th Grades Food Night
Every other Tuesday 7-10 p.m.

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High School Hours:

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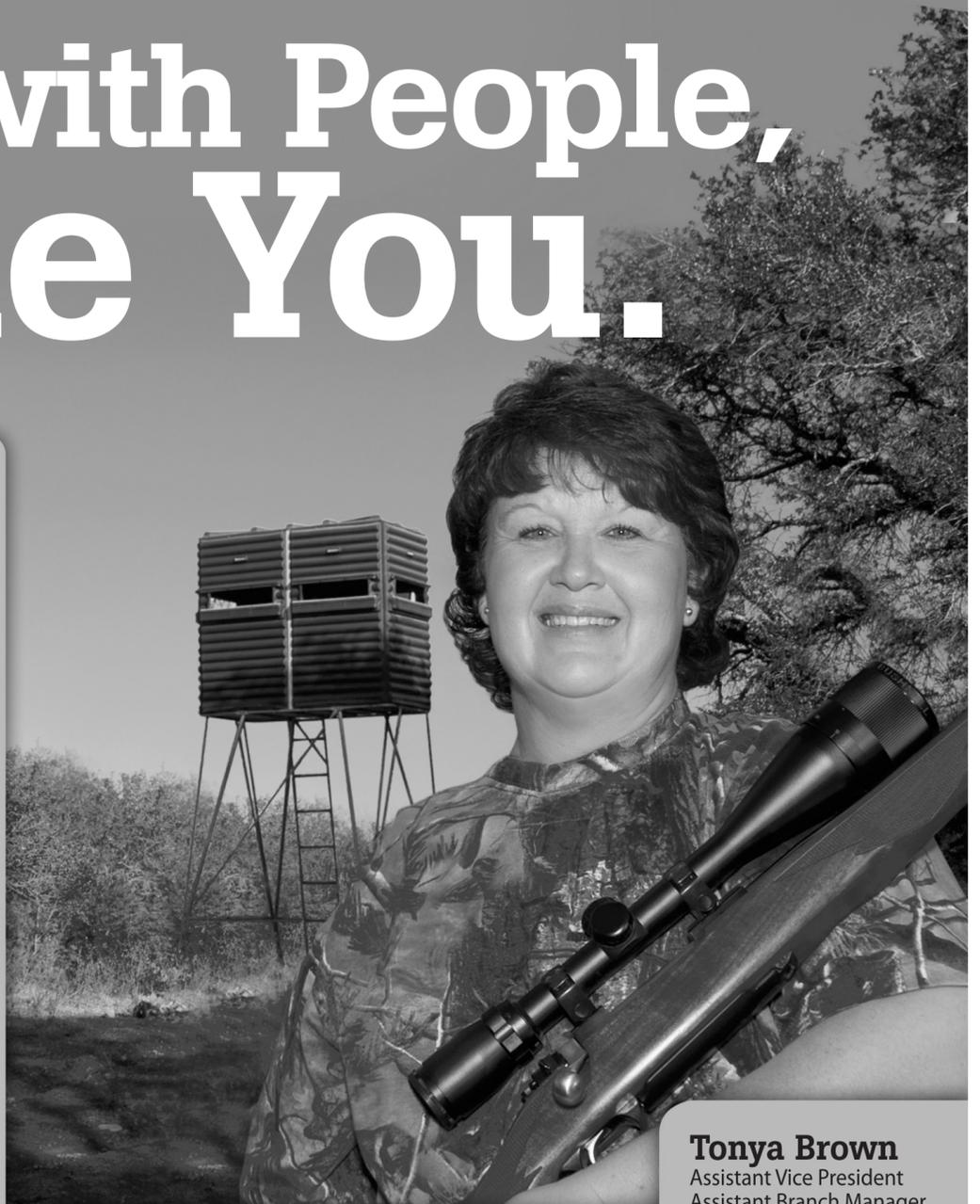
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As of January 6, 2011

PTD	OPERATOR	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
8500'	Petrohawk Oper	University 45-6 #1 H	Patterson Ut1 #239	Assigned
5500'	Fiml Natural Res	Maggie Moore #8K	Ringo Drilling 1 Lp #16	Drig Ahead
8100'	Highmount E&P Tx	University 56-8 #2	Trinidad Drig #73	Run Casing
7200'	Approach Operating	University 45c- #804 H	Nabors Drilling #714	Drig Ahead
7500'	Page Oil & Gas Llc	Bouscaren-25- #1	Basic Energy Svc #40	Drig Ahead
9000'	Approach Operating	University 42-14 #14	Ringo Drilling 1 Lp #17	Drig Ahead
7900'	Enervest Oper Llc	CT Harris #1 H	Nabors Drilling #M19	Drig Ahead
Irion County				
14000'	Apache Corp	Scott-Sugg-5051- #1 H	Union Drilling Texas #223	Rigging Up
6800'	Eog Resources	University 43a- #006 H	Cactus Drilling #103	Drig Ahead
9500'	Fiml Natural Res	Mallard-A- #3031J	Felderhoff Bros #19	Drig Ahead
6600'	Eog Resources	University 40- #1310 H	Cactus Drilling #102	Drig Ahead
6800'	Strand Energy, Lc	Hamilton #10	Heart Land Drilling #4	Drig Ahead
7000'	Three Rivers Op	Sugg-5e- #10	Ringo Drilling 1 Lp #9	Drig Ahead
9500'	Fiml Natural Res	Antelope Draw-A- #107a	Patterson Ut1 #721	Drig Ahead
9500'	Fiml Natural Res	Rocker-Ba- #187d	Felderhoff Bros #2	At T.D.
8000'	Exco Res	Sugg Farmer-9- #11	Heart Land Drilling #5	Drig Ahead
8500'	Three Rivers Op	Pflugger-M- #301	Ringo Drilling 1 Lp #2	Circulate
Reagan County				
10500'	OPERATOR	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
10500'	Laredo Petro-Dallas	Sugg-A- #1571 H	Patterson Ut1 #118	Drig Ahead
10100'	Laredo Petro-Dallas	E Jost Oil Unit-A- #15d	Union Drilling Texas #206	Drig Ahead
10100'	Devon Energy	University 10-21 #1	Patterson Ut1 #49	Drig Ahead
11000'	Laredo Petro-Dallas	Sth-B- #7f	Union Drilling Texas #215	Drig Ahead
10900'	Pioneer Natural	Watkins-1204- #3	Patterson Ut1 #73	Drig Ahead
12900'	El Paso E&P	Company University 9-1 #2 H	Precision Drilling #93	Drig Ahead
12000'	Prime Operating	Watkins #7	Patterson Ut1 #169	Drig Ahead
10000'	Kindee Oil & Gas Tx	Sth-D- #9e	Union Drilling Texas #226	Drig Ahead
12000'	Endeavor Energy Res	Haby-C- #5	Big Dog Drilling #4	Drig Ahead
10700'	Pioneer Natural	University 2-22 #5	Sendero Drilling Co #16	Drig Ahead
12000'	Endeavor Energy Res	Ricker-B- Enron #3	Big Dog Drilling #5	Drig Ahead
12000'	Parsley Energy	Jameson-50- #8	Mattlock Drilling #4	Drig Ahead
10100'	Pioneer Natural	Hulet-164- #4	Lariat Services #28	As Direct
10900'	Pioneer Natural	University 2-28 #6	Patterson Ut1 #151	Drig Ahead
12900'	El Paso E&P Company	University 43-16 #1 H	Patterson Ut1 #19	Drig Ahead
10700'	Mariner Energy	Sth-13- #1322	Oryan Drilling Llc #5	Logging
15500'	Pioneer Natural	University 10-20 #4 H	Nabors Drilling #M55	Drig Ahead
7600'	Conocophillips	University Cp-7- #1902 H	Nabors Drilling #M14	Drig Ahead
Schleicher County				
PTD	OPERATOR	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
10700'	Highmount E&P Tx	Marigliano Unit #1401 H	Patterson Ut1 #161	Drig Ahead
9000'	Approach Operating	University 56-6 #1	Nabors Drilling #709	Drig Ahead
Sutton County				
PTD	OPERATOR	LEASE	CONTRACTOR/RIG	ACTIVITY-DEPTH
12330'	Highmount E&P Tx	H E Glasscock Et Al #285 H	Nabors Drilling #M28	Drig Ahead

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month solution in the interim. Left with the option of either the payroll tax holiday expiring or passing the Senate bill, the House passed the Senate bill on a voice vote after Members of Congress had left Washington. While I'm pleased the payroll tax holiday did not lapse, I'm frustrated that instead of doing the job the American people sent us here to do, Washington simply kicked the can down the road for two months to pick it up again later.

While it has been a frustrating year, it has not been totally unproductive. Despite merely controlling one half of one-third of Washington, my colleagues and I in the House of Representatives tackled issues that were of extreme importance to the American people.

When it comes to spending, we succeeded in turning the conversation from one about how much we are going to spend to one about how much we are going to cut spending.

I will continue to stand up to those in Congress who seek to impose massive, jobs-crushing tax increases on the American people.

We cannot afford to downsize of the American dream for future generations - our children and grandchildren are depending on us. To assure that the American dream endures, I will fight to make sure families get to keep their hard earned dollars. It's families, sitting around the kitchen table, that know best how to spend their money and not some un-elected bureaucrat here in Washington.

CONGRESSMAN CANSECO represents the 23rd District of Texas. Contact him at: <http://canseco.house.gov>

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NEW WATER PLAN IS RELEASED

The Texas Water Development Board on Jan. 5 released the 2012 State Water Plan. Among its recommendations, the document asks state lawmakers to change laws in order to lift restrictions on the transfer of surface water from one basin to another. The plan also calls for the creation of new reservoirs, increased water loss audits and sustainable financing for water projects.

AERIAL VACCINE DROP IN PROGRESS

On Jan. 2, the Texas Department of State Health Services announced it had begun its annual airdrop of rabies vaccine baits over portions of south and west

Texas. Planes are scheduled to drop some 1.8 million doses of rabies vaccine over the next month.

Since the vaccine program was started in 1995, and the number of animal cases has dropped dramatically, the agency reported.

STATE HELPS FUND ROBOTICS CONTESTS

More than 3,400 high school students throughout Texas will have the opportunity to participate in high school robotics competitions this school year thanks to funding from the Texas Workforce Commission, the agency said last month.

"Texas employers continue to express the need for workers with these skills as critical to their success and job creation now and in the future," according to an agency news release.

Sonora escapee caught in Del Rio

Two days after he escaped from the Sutton County Jail, Jose Luis Trevino was recaptured 90 miles away in Del Rio.

Local, state and federal law enforcement officers swarmed a mobile home around 3 p.m. Jan. 4, where they found 20-year-old Trevino hiding out with friends, according to a report from the San Angelo Standard-Times.

"He was found hiding under a pile of clothes in a closet," Sutton County Sheriff Joe Fincher said.

Fincher and Texas Ranger Sgt. Kenneth Wadsworth, of Ozona, as well as Del Rio police, Val Verde sheriff deputies and federal officers sent 20 people to two houses to search for Trevino, Fincher said.

Trevino was arrested Dec. 23 on a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, a state jail felony punishable by 180 days to two years in state jail.

Trevino was being transferred from his cell to a work-out area about 9:30 a.m. Jan. 2 when he ran out of the jail. Fincher said the door that led to the sheriff's office, and subsequently the front door, was slightly ajar. A multiple-agency search continued through the night, but was unsuccessful.

Fincher said Trevino also faces a third-degree felony escape charge for leaving the jail. An escape, when made from a secure correctional facility, is punishable by two to 10 years in prison.

FIRE DEPARTMENT RUNS

JAN. 2
•10:43 p.m. - Vehicle fire I-10 mile-marker 330 east-bound. On arrival found no fire, cooled hot hubs. Two units, 11 firefighters. Time in service 2 hours 16 minutes.

JAN. 3
•6:15 p.m. - Vehicle fire I-10 335 mile-marker west-bound. Vehicle fully involved.

Three units, seven firefighters. Time in service 2 hours and 36 minutes.

JAN. 6
•2:50 p.m. - Motor vehicle accident, one vehicle rollover at I-10 mile-marker 372 west-bound. Worked traffic until released. Three units, 11 firefighters. Time in service 1 hour 24 minutes.

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