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# School board considering testing resolution

BY MELISSA PERNER THE OZONA STOCKMAN

A resolution against high-stakes tests, like STAAR, will be up for approval at tonight's (April 18) CCCCSD School Board meeting.

This regular meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Building. Last month, officials at the Texas Association of School Administrators sent out a nonbinding resolution against standardized tests for districts

to pass in their school board meetings. This resolution came after TEA Commissioner Robert Scott said that he in the classroom in February.

The resolution claims that students learn at a superficial level when schools over-emphasize the importance of standardized tests. It calls for the Legislature to develop a better, more accurate system for evaluating school accountability.

According to TASA, school boards in 271 districts have passed the resolution. Area schools that have already passed the resolution include Comstock, Fort Stockton, Iraan, Mason, McCamey, Reagan County, San Saba, Sonora and Wall.

"We anticipate that list to grow," TASA spokeswoman Jenny LaCoste-Ca-

had concerns about the role of testing puto told the Texas Tribune last month. Last month, the CCCCSD School Board approved a resolution that for one year will suspend factoring STA-

AR scores into students' grades for the 2011-12 school year.

According to the TASA website, as of last week roughly three-quarters of the state's 1,200 school districts have notified TEA that they will take advantage of the offer to defer implementation of a rule that says the new endof-course exams must account for 15 percent of high school students' grades for one year.

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# National Parks are focus of planned haze rule

BY KATE GALBRAITH TEXAS TRIBUNE

Last year, as wildfires raged in Texas, New Mexico and Arizona, visitors to Guadalupe Mountains National Park had to settle for a more limited view when hiking up Guadalupe Peak, Texas' highest point.

"All summer, there

was a haze here," said Jonena Hearst, the park's geologist. Even before the fires, she said, visibility had been decreasing slightly over time.

Environmental The Protection Agency wants cleaner air at wilderness areas and national parks across the country, includ-

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# State Artists



OHS ART STUDENTS JENNY VENEGAS (left) and CHRIS CANTU competed in the State Texas Art Education Association Visual Art Scholastic Event this past weekend in Bryan, Texas. Jenny was in Division 2. She entered a self-portrait titled "Jenny In Black And White" made with Tempera Paint which made a 3 Excellent Rating. Chris Cantu was in Division 1 and he took a digital photograph titled "The End of Time: 2012" and made a 3 **Excellent Rating as well.** 









MELISSA PERNER | THE OZONA STOCKMAN CANCER SURVIVORS AND CAREGIVERS started off Ozona's Relay for Life Friday night at Lion Stadium. The event raised \$44,780 for the American Cancer Society. More photos, see page 8 or visit The Ozona Stockman Facebook page.

# OHS Track, Academic Teams competing in regional meets



to right) Jerrod duBois. Not pictured: Saul Vargas and Michael Vargas.

MEMBERS OF THE OHS TRACK TEAMS will be competing at the Region I Track and Field Meet April 27-28 in Odessa. Pictured are: (front row, left to right) Lexi Poindexter, Daisy Guerra and Alex Rodriguez; (middle row, left to right) Cynthia Garcia, Jenny Venegas and Vivian Medina; (back row, left Six Lady Lions and three Lions will be competing in the Region I Track Meet, April 27-28, in Odessa.

Last week, OHS Track Teams participated in the District 7-AA meet in Sonora.

The Lady Lions placed fourth out of six teams. Team Totals - 1. Wall, 206; 2. Sonora, 135; 3. Grape Creek, 91; 4. Ozona, 73; 5. Ballinger, 59 and 6. Brady, 50.

Vivian Medina placed third in the discus with a throw of 85-feet, 8.5 inches to qualify her for the regional meet.

Daisy Guerra finished third in the 3200-meter run at 12 minutes, 51 seconds making her a regional qualifier. She also qualified in the

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JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN

THE OHS COMPUTER SCIENCE TEAM will be competing at the Region I UIL Academic Meet this weekend in Odessa. Pictured are: (front row, left to right) Bryce Gutierrez and Cris Taylor; (back row, left to right) Jerrod duBois and Lisa Dorrough.

The OHS Computer Science Team is heading to the Region I meet this weekend in Odessa.

The team of Cris Taylor, Jerrod duBois, Lisa Dorrough and Bryce Gutierrez placed second at the District 7-AA meet last month. Cris placed fourth and Jerrod placed fifth as an individuals.

The team had to wait until April 11 to see if they would be eligible to advance as a Wild Card team. A Wild Card team for an academic contest is the highest scoring second place team in the region.

Chris Cantu placed third in literary criticism. However, an error found in the results showed that Chris's

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# Newspapers are evolving

ewspapers are dying. I'm tired of hearing that phrase.

Every morning I read several newspapers, both on my computer and in print. Each week, my staff and I roll out a new edition of The Ozona Stockman, in print and online.

So the phrase "newspapers are dying" should really be changed to "newspapers are evolving.

Technology has not taken away the printed word, but transferred it onto a screen in a tablet we hold in our hands.

Last week, I sat in an informal discussion with several West Texas community newspapermen. A few of us were working on embracing these technological changes. Others still had their doubts.

Change is not easy but if the newspaper industry is to survive, we have to change with the world.

When I graduated from Angelo State University in 2000, I received a degree in journalism. That degree field has now evolved into mass media, which covers all areas of electronic and visual media, as well as print.

The Internet has brought us websites, e-editions, Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Pinterest and more.

As reporters we must use our iPhones to take videos, as well as keeping notes

with the notepad and pen. With social media, weekly newspapers, like the Stockman, have become dailies with breaking news and events.

With the Internet, newspapers are combating the war with government officials on requirements for printing legal notices.

The Texas Press Association has created their own website where newspapers, including the Stockman, upload their notices each week in a statewide database accessible to anyone.

You may have seen the ads run in the Stockman stating questions about natural gas drilling, building a jail or putting waste into local water. These ads are to get you, the readers, thinking about where you would get this information if not for legal no-

tices in newspapers. A West Texas weekly has come up with creative ideas for localizing public notice ads. Tiffany Waddell, the co-owner and one-woman staff of The Western Observer in Anson, started her own public notice campaign early this year, drawing from recent events affecting local residents. Her first ad — "They Just Sold Your



WHAT'S ON **MY MIND** 

MELISSA PERNER

frustration in finding out the county had sold loose livestock without publishing notices in

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the newspaper that estrays had been found. The Jones County sheriff's office had posted the information on its website instead.

Losing public notices from the county would not be a big financial loss for the the Observer, she said, but added that they would take a big hit if the state were to stop publishing legal notices in newspapers.

In the last two months, some of the legal notices printed in the Stockman include bids being taken on an addition to the field house at Lion Stadium, paving material notice for Crockett County, notices from the Crockett County Water Control District on the maintenance of storage tanks, an application from Nabors Well Service for a commercial fluid injection well permit, a notice from the county road department on temporary closing the Claybird Shooting Range and a public action at a lo-

cal vehicle towing business. These notices are found on the printed page and online.

According to the National Newspaper Association's 2011 annual Community Readership Survey, 80 percent of those surveyed think governments should be required to publish public notices in newspapers, with 23 percent reading public notices very often in their newspaper.

The local community newspaper is the primary source of information about the local community for 51.8 percent of respondents compared to seeking information from friends and relatives (16 percent) and

TV (13.2 percent.) If newspapers are going to continue to grab their readers, then we are going to have to keep changing, fighting and evolving in our industry. We cannot afford to stand still and let the world pass us by without keeping our readers informed in print, online and beyond.

MELISSA PERNER is the editor and publisher of The Ozona Stockman. Keep reading the Stockman online (www.ozonastockman.com) or in print.

# Breeding Down

I got interested in breeding at a young age. No, not that kind of breeding, I'm talking about the use of science to breed offspring that are superior to either parent. It's the magic that happens when you breed a California pruney to an Oklahoma Okie, a backsliding bull rider to a devout barrel racer, or a Border Collie to anything.

Trying to upgrade a herd with genetics is one of the many challenges that I enjoy about cattle raising. The goal is to make each generation better than the last in the traits that matter most, but sometimes you can spend a fortune on a bull that looks good on paper but just doesn't nick. Or you can be like some folks I know who are so tightly wound genetically that they are related to themselves. When that happens you can end up with all sorts of strange beasts, from dead calves born without essential body parts, lambs that can't stand on their own five feet, and U.S. Congress-

I continue to be impressed with the strides that purebred breeders are making using such tools as EPD's, artificial insemination and embryo transfer. Can you imagine how proud a Holstein recipient cow must feel when she gives birth and looks back to see a beautiful purebred embryo calf belonging to a beef breed?

My interest in genetics was first sparked when I was six years old when a scandal of immense proportions rocked our small town. A respected married man in our com-



IT'S THE **PITTS** 

**LEE PITTS** 

munity, who was partowner of the only hardware store in town, had an affair with an equally respected married woman who worked in the housewares section of the very same hardware store. The problem was his partner was his brother who just so happened to be married to the aforementioned woman in housewares. As the two suddenlysingle jilted spouses commiserated with each other they too fell in

love and saw no reason why they shouldn't get married too. In other words, the two brothers swapped wives. As you can guess, this made going to the hardware store for Tupperware a little touchy and somewhat more complicated. It also became very hard for all of us school kids to keep track of the children of the two families, especially when the two new realigned couples had even more kids of their own.

All our parents tried to shield their children from the scandal and my mom wouldn't even let me go into the hardware store when I needed a new bike chain! As if my morals were going to be compromised if I bought a bicycle accouterment from the scandal ridden hardware brothers

Making matters still worse, because their fathers were brothers all the kids shared the same last name, which was Young. I was so confused by the scandal that I asked my Grandpa how I was supposed to keep all the kids straight. I remember him sagely saying, "Just remember that the older Young brother's kids are all big, strong, and stupid, while their their cousins, the younger Young brother's twins, are extremely smart and well mannered, but are weak, small and sissified. Milquetoasts we used to call them.'

One would have thought that when the four adults swapped partners that a genetic explosion would have occurred and that the new batch of kids would all be tall, athletic, smart and good looking. Nope. Didn't happen. The second version of the Young children in the words of my Grandpa, "Were more worthless than a bucket of

Proving how prophetic my Grandpa's words were, the hardware store went out of business when the youngest Young kids took it over. (To be fair, I don't know if the problem was genetic, or the fact that a Home Depot opened up near by.)

What prompted this column was that not long ago I ran into one of my classmates, one of the older Youngs, and without prying too much I asked him how his family was. He replied, "Well, family reunions are sure interesting.

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# States' federal lawsuit targets e-book dealers

**STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS** By Ed Sterling | Texas Press Association

AUSTIN — Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott and 15 state attorneys general on April 11 filed an antitrust lawsuit against a trio of book publishing firms and a computer giant, alleging the companies colluded to fix the sales prices of electronic books.

Named as defendants are Penguin Group (USA) Inc., Simon & Schuster Inc., Macmillan Holdings LLC and Apple Inc.

Filed in federal court in Austin, the case claims the defendants violated the states' antitrust laws and the federal Sherman Antitrust Act.

Abbott issued this statement: "Colluding to fix prices violates antitrust laws and raises costs for customers. In this case, three of the nation's largest publishing companies worked together to gain control of retail prices and raise the price of e-books. The defendants colluded to use the agency distribution model to effectively eliminate free market competition and allow publishers rather than the marketplace to set the price of e-books.'

Joining Texas as plaintiffs are

Alaska, Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut, Illinois, Iowa, Maryland, Missouri, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, South Dakota, Tennessee, Vermont and West

Virginia.

Abbott's statement says a two-year investigation led by his office and coordinated with the offices of the Connecticut attorney general and the U.S. Department of Justice reveals that Penguin, Simon & Schuster and Macmillan conspired with other publishers and Apple to raise prices artificially by imposing a distribution model in which the publishers set the prices for bestsellers, resulting in some \$100 million in over-

charges to customers. The states, Abbott said, seek injunctive relief "to reverse the effects of the defendants' anticompetitive conduct as well as damages for customers who paid artificially inflated prices for e-books."

Also, according to a news release from the Texas Attorney General's office, the states "have reached an agree-

ment in principle with e-book publishers Harper Collins and Hachette to provide significant consumer restitution as well as injunctive relief."

#### **DEFERRAL OF POLICY ALLOWED**

State Education Commissioner Robert Scott has decided to allow public school districts and charter schools to defer implementation of a provision in current law that makes a student's performance on an end-of-course assessment to count as 15 percent of their final course grade.

The opportunity to defer applies only to the current school year, but ultimately, the decision whether to include state-required end-of-course examination scores as part of course grades will be determined locally by school districts and charter schools, the Texas Education Agency announced April 12.

The law still requires students who are first entering the ninth grade in the 2011-2012 school year to achieve a cumulative

score on the end-of-course assessments to complete their graduation requirements. Districts and charter schools are expected to notify the Texas Education Agency of their decisions to defer or not to defer.

#### STATE SEN. TRUAN **DIES**

Retired state Sen. Carlos F. Truan, 76, died April 10 at his home in Corpus Christi. Truan was the dean of the Senate when he chose not to seek reelection in 2002. **PLEASE** SEE



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RANDY KENNEDY (left) and JoAnn Babbitt take a turn during the 26th annual Levis and Lace Square Dance Festival held Saturday at the Civic Center. Square dancers from all over West Texas participated.

# Alpine writers' retreat featuring trio of award-winning authors

ing Round-Up of the Texas Mountain Trail Writers is planned for April 27, 28, 29 in Alpine and Fort Davis with a trio of published award-winning authors.

These include New York Times best-seller and Violet tive non-fiction and memoir, Chantelle Aimée Osman, successful flash fiction and mystery writer and Anthony Award nominee, and western singer and song writer already known in West Texas, Mike Blakely, Western Writers of America winner and prolific author of 16 historical novels.

These three professional writers and instructors will teach and entertain in the mountains of West Texas for three days.

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The 21st annual Writ- and meals will be the Moun- ers. The weekend is casutain Trails Lodge (formerly Davis Mt. Outdoor Learning Center) just south of Fort Davis. The Friday evening welcoming reception will be in the reading room of Front Street Books in Alpine.

Participants will learn Crown Award finalist, Suzy writing techniques, enjoy Spencer, master of narra- small classes and the personal touch while basking in pleasant warm spring days and the cool mountain nights of April in the Davis Mountains.

Activity choices, other than learning writing skills and eating home-cooked meals, include hiking, birding, exploring two near-by cemeteries, photographing, or sitting and planning your next book.

The event is the 21st annual Writing Round-Up hosted by members of the Texas Mountain Trail Writ-

Happy Birthday

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**April 18** - Melissa Hokit

April 19 - Eric Hendren,

April 20 - Lupe Marti-

al with a friendly western

theme.

Cost is extremely reasonable and if attendees do not care to stay in cabins available at the Lodge, rooms may be had in the many motels in Alpine and Fort Davis.

For additional information and a registration form, e-mail or call Reba Cross Seals, retreat coordinator, rcrossseals@wildblue.net, (432) 837-2919 or Jackie Siglin, president, bakedalaska1@bigbend.net, (432) 364-2399.

Writers may learn more about the weekend's events by going to the Texas Mountain Trail Writers website: www.texasmountaintrailwriters.org.

# Knox named to Angelo State Who's Who

Nathan Knox has been named to the 2012 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges at Angelo State University.

Knox is majoring in geosciences and will be one of 76 ASU students who are being recognized as outstanding campus lead-

A ceremony and reception honoring the students will be held at 2 p.m. May 11 in the Carr Education Fine Arts Building's Eldon Black Recital Hall, 2602 Dena Drive, in San Angelo.

ASU accepts Who's Who nominations from faculty, staff and student organizations, and a university committee makes the final selections. Students are selected for their excellence in the classroom, campus and community service, and leadership in extracurricular activities. Honorees for the 78-year-old annual list come from 2,842 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. ASU has participated in the Who's Who program since the early 1970s.

Knox is a graduate of Ozona High School. He is the son of Bobby Knox, of Ozona.

## **Diaper Pantry today**

The Wesley Nurse Program of the Ozona United Methodist Church is beginning a monthly Diaper Pantry. Families will be educated on various topics related to children's health and will be given one package of diapers for each child in the home under the age of 3.

The first class will be offered April 18 beginning at 10 a.m. in the church fellowship hall. Anyone may attend the educational class but must RSVP in order to receive diapers.

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

# **COMMUNITY CALENDAR** • OHS Students at Texas State Technical College in Sweetwater.

## • Exercise Classes, 8 a.m. at the Senior Center.

- OHS Tennis Team at the UIL Region I Meet in Odessa.
- Diaper Pantry, 10 a.m. at the Ozona United Methodist Church.

Wednesday, April 18

- Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Book Fair Parent Night, 6 p.m. at Ozona Elementary School.
- CCCCSD School Board meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Building.

### **Thursday, April 19**

- OHS Students at the UIL Region I Academic Meet in Odessa.
- OHS Tennis Team at the UIL Region I Meet in Odessa.
- Canasta at the Senior Center.
- Ozona Lions Giving Back "Get Ozona Beautiful," 4-7 p.m.

### Friday, April 20

- OHS Students at the UIL Region I Academic Meet in Odessa.
- Fourth Grade Texas Music Program, 2:15 p.m. at the Ozona Elementary School Gym.
- Lions Baseball vs. Grape Creek, 4:30 p.m. at Lion Field.

### Saturday, April 21

- OHS Students at the UIL Region I Academic Meet in Odessa.
- Ozona Lions Giving Back "Get Ozona Beautiful," 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

### **Monday, April 23**

- Exercise Classes, 8 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- School Finance Workshops, 6:30 p.m. at the Ozona Elementary School Cafetorium.
- Senior Bingo Social, 6:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Ozona Ministerial Alliance meeting, 7 p.m. at the Ozona United Methodist Church.

### **Tuesday, April 24**

- •STAAR TESTING: Grades 3-4; 6-7 Mathematics.
- •TAKS TESTING: Grade 10 Mathematics; Exit Level English retest.
- Free blood pressure and blood sugar screenings, 9-11 a.m. at the Ozona United Methodist Church.
- Lion Baseball vs. Ballinger, 4:30 p.m. at Ballinger.

### **Wednesday, April 25**

- STAAR TESTING: Grades 3-4; 6-7 Reading. TAKS TESTING: Exit Level Mathematics.
- Exercise Classes, 8 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.

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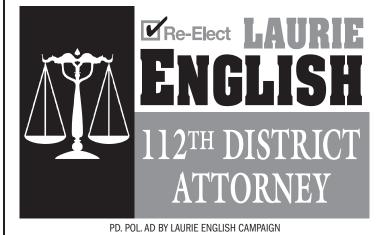
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April 23 - Raliegh Conner, Prissy Luna, Kasey Gray, Eugene Hood and Luranda Morris

April 24 - Ryan Dalton, Joe Alex Lara, Timothy Beseril, Timothy Batura, Caleb Conner and Jordan Webster

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# **Ministerial Alliance** meeting Monday

Ozona Ministerial Alliance will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, April 23, at the Ozona United Methodist Church.

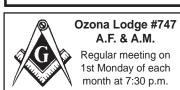
All Ozona pastors or representatives are encouraged to attend.

For more information. call Carlos Cantu at (325) 262-7040.



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# **Crockett County Historic Day May 5**

day for Ozona. The counties in the Pecos River Mountain Region (counties west of Ozona) will meet in Ozona from 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Each Historical Association from each county will report on what is being preserved in each county.

Crockett County Historical Commission President Bob Childress will introduce seven very interesting speakers to relive Crockett County's most historical events.

Topics include: ·The first settler in **Crockett County** 

 $\cdot$ The camel expedition that came through our county around 1855

· Gruby, Texas, the wild-

May 5, 2012 is a historic est Crockett County town rian Randall Ross and Chiand the only man killed by a bear in this county

> ·The 900 Indian attacks on Fort Lancaster

·First wagon and buggy service to Ozona

· A child captured by Indians and the fight that ensued on the Pecos

·Howard's Well massacre and battles

Childress says these speakers will be very interesting. The speakers include: historian Ginger Perner, the Honorable Judge Brock Jones, Crockett County Historical Commission President Bob Childress, historian Harold Tanner, the Honorable Judge Fred Deaton, Texas Ranger histohuahua Trail expert Claude Hudspeth.

A chuck wagon lunch will be provided for guests. Cost is \$6 per person, pay on arrival, RSVP is required. The deadline to RSVP for lunch is April 30.

At 3:30 p.m., guests may see the oldest and most historical structure in Crockett County, Howard's Well. This can be done in about 1.5 hours.

The event is open to the public. Anyone interested, plan to attend.

For more information, or to RSVP, call Bob Childress at (325) 392-2382 or e-mail crockettcountyhistoricalcom@yahoo.com.

# Texas Pecos Trail Region has new office

BY SCOTT JORDAN TEXAS PECOS TRAIL

The Texas Pecos Trail Region has moved its home office to the second floor of the Mercantile Building in downtown Sonora.

Located on Main Street and on the site of an early hotel, the historic Mercantile was built of limestone in 1902 and features a commercial Italian-ate design, a Musker cast-iron façade, balcony, and several ornate architectural details. First occupied by a mercantile store on the ground floor, the structure also housed offices on the second floor, the occupants of which included some of Sonora's early doctors and lawyers.

The Mercantile, a recorded state historic landmark, today includes a lunch restaurant called The Mercantile on Main normally open on weekdays and second-story offices in use.

"It is certainly nice for us to be situated amidst the historic heart of a community. We hope that our location on Main Street and directly across from the Sutton County Courthouse Square will provide us with added benefits," said Scott Jordan, executive director.

The physical address is 232 E. Main #204 in Sonora.

For more information, call (325) 387-3900 or e-mail info@texaspecostrail.com.

# Museum seeking items for upcoming bridal exhibit

The Crockett County cessories and more. Museum is putting together a month-long bridal exhibit for June.

The museum is seeking any and all types of wedding items to display, including dresses, photos, wedding ac-

BY BETH HOOVER

OZONA WOMAN'S FORUM

March 20 at the Crockett Coun-

ty Senior Center. The members

conducted their annual auction

held to raise money for the

scholarship fund. Jean Odom

and Sandy Bebee served as auc-

tioneers and they did a wonder-

ful job in keeping the members

entertained and constantly

bidding against one another to

bring the item to its highest

price. Members brought baked

goods, candy and needlework

items to be auctioned off to the

The Woman's Forum met

**OZONA WOMAN'S FORUM NEWS** 

Items will be on display from June 1-30. Items donated will be able to be picked up after June 30.

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

The money raised goes to

the Woman's Forum Ozona

High School Scholarship fund

which is given to two deserving

students each year. Last year's

scholarships went to Crystal

ed as well as Marolyn Bean,

Sandy Bebee. Norma Carson.

Arlene Clayton, Marilyn Cox,

Lynn English, Janie Everett,

Bobbie Griffin. Charlotte Har-

rell, Beth Hoover, Betty Huff-

man, Virginia Hubbard, Shirley

Kirby, Linda Moore, Brenda

Newton, Jean Odom, Janet Pul-

len, Celia West, Rosalind Wil-

liams and Louise Toliaferro.

Guest Billie Morris attend-

Vasquez and Duncan Knox.

# **HELPING HANDS NEWS APRIL 18**

·Beef pasta bake, vegetable medley, garden salad, diet dressing, garlic bread and melon.

#### **APRIL 19**

·Barbecue beef on a bun, pinto beans, lettuce, tomato and pickle, potato salad and hot cinnamon apple.

### **APRIL 20**

·Crisp fish, okra and tomatoes, corn, fruit cup with orange.

#### **APRIL 23**

·Beef pepper steak, rice pilaf, green peas, stewed apples and graham crackers.

### **APRIL 24**

·Herb baked chicken, baked steak fries, seasoned spinach, raspberry peaches and rolls.

### **APRIL 25**

·Pork roast, brown gravy, mashed potatoes, California vegetables, pineapple pudding with top and wheat roll.

### **OZONA SENIOR HAPPENINGS**

### BY LYNN ENGLISH

SENIOR CENTER DIRECTOR

Are you enjoying spring as much as I am? These cool mornings are wonderful and I especially love seeing the flowers in bloom.

The Concho Valley Community Action Council was here last Tuesday at the Senior Center and assisted several families with their utilities. This is the first time they had been here since December 2011. They will be here again May 8.

If you have observed me limping around, I got a diagnoses today that have a torn meniscus and a cyst in my left knee. I'll know what will be done after I see a bone specialist in San Angelo. It's always something.

Monday, April 23, will be our Senior Bingo Social at 6:30 p.m. at the Senior Center. We will be serving ham with cheese sandwiches, chips, onions, lettuce, tomato, dessert and tea, water or coffee. Please plan to attend and bring a bingo prized valued between \$5 and \$10.

The bridge game will be played on Monday at 1:30 p.m. Those who attend have the best time playing, 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 having lessons.

Also, Levis and Lace have changed their regular square dances to every second and fourth Saturdays at 2-4 p.m.

Tuesday have been set aside for any of you who would play dominos. You can play late morn-

ings or early afternoons. 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 ac-

tivities: 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 key-

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

Answers on Aging April 26

The Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley strives to provide information, assistance, and services to the older citizens of Crockett County. AAA Jim Bright will be available to assist individuals on Thursday, April 26, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Needing to learn more about services offered?

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

Needing to apply for services?

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

Programs that housed in the Area Agency on Aging include: Advocacy (Texas Silver Haired Legislature), Benefits Counseling, Care Coordination (Prescription & Utility assistance), Caregiver Support (Respite Care), Foster Grandparent Program (Mentoring Children), Ombudsman Program (Advocates for Long-Term Care Residents), Senior Companion Program (Companions for the Elderly), and 2-1-1 of the Concho Valley (Information and Referral for health and human services). A wide variety of printed information regarding each program and related information will also be available.

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

For more information, call Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley at (325) 223-5704 or toll-free at 1-877-944-9666 or just dial 2-1-1

Card of Thanks

I would like to express a heartfelt Thank you to everyone whom has shown their support for me by helping me reach my goal in order to be able attend the Rotary International Exchange. I am happy to announce that in doing so, I will be an exchange student in Taipei, Taiwan my sophomore year for the semester's 2012-2013. I could not have done it without all the generous and wonderful people from my community. Thank You Ozona!

> Aliyah Rae Guerra R.Y.E. District 5840

### Card of Thanks

Marissa Ann Held, would like to thank everybody who helped cerebrate my 15 Años. Thank you to my parents and grandparents and to everybody who helped in any way. A very special thanks to Nat and Amparo Hernandez, Mari Longoria, Anne Yruegas, Vanessa Rodriguez, Charlene and Vicky Yruegas, Robert Rodriguez and Gabriel Porras for decorating and also a special thank you to the lady who made this possible "Lisa." This would not have been done without all of your help. Thanks to everyone for the gifts, cards, and wishes. May God bless you all.

Marissa

# IN HIS FOOTSTEPS

members and guest.

Sometime back a good friend wanted me to come by and see his grandsons. I was in for a real surprise when I arrived at their home. He came out to meet me in his regular attire, which was cowboy boots with spurs, levi's, blue denim shirt, red bandanna around his neck, and a cowboy hat. What surprised me was that he was followed by two small boys dressed the same way spurs and all. Not only was he teaching them how to dress, he also was also trying to teach them good manners and good behavior. When they walked out to our pickup to greet us he shook my hand. He also had the two small boys shake my hand. When we went in the house (him leading and the two small boys following close behind) he took off his hat and he had the boys take off their hats. As I watched them that day I was reminded of a couple of things the Bible teaches. First Jesus taught if we have seen Him (the son) we have seen Father (John 14:7-11). Second it teaches that if we have accepted Christ as our personal Lord and Savior, He wants us to become like Him (living in a Christ like way and that includes obeying His word, 1 John 2:3-6). Let's make sure we have accepted Christ into our hearts and if we have accepted Christ, let's live to honor Him. See you in Church next Sunday.

### **First Baptist Church Pastor Chris Johnson** Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting - 6 p.m. 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.

### 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.

## 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.

### **New Beginnings Church**

701 9th Street **Pastor Carlos Cantu** Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Wednesday: 7 p.m.

#### **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.

# Faith Lutheran Church

802 1st St. **Pastor Tom Baden** Worship: Sunday - 7 p.m.

Bible Class: Sunday - 6 p.m.

#### 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

# Attend the Church of your choice this Sunday

# Our Lady of Perpetual Help 219 Martinez St.

**Ozona United** 

**Methodist Church** 

12 - 11th St.

Pastor Jean Reardon

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

Worship: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

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.

Fr. Nilo Nalugon Sun. Mass: 11 a.m. Tues. - Sat.: 6 p.m.

#### **Apostolic Church** 307 Santa Rosa St.

Rev. Refugi Vega Sunday School: 4 p.m. Sunday Worship: 5 p.m. Tues & Thur. Service: 7:00 p.m.

#### 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.

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# Pecos River Watershed Protection Plan April 23-24 field days

**BY STEVE BYRNS**TEXAS AGRILIFE EXTENSION

FORT STOCKTON – The Texas AgriLife Extension Service will conduct two free field days to highlight ongoing Pecos River Watershed Protection Planimplementation activities at 10 a.m.-3 p.m. on April 23 and 24 near Sheffield and Coyanosa, respectively.

Gary Bryant, AgriLife Extension Pecos River watershed coordinator at Fort Stockton, said the April 23 field day will begin at the Fort Lancaster State Historical Site and later move to the Live Oak Ranch east of Sheffield in the lower portion of the watershed.

The April 24 event will be on the Santa Rosa Ranch six miles east of the Coyanosa Gin in the watershed's upper portion.

Bryant said both days will have similar content, but discussions may vary due to the differences between the upper and lower parts of the watershed.

"During the field days, landowners will have an opportunity to see what some of their neighbors have been implementing on their properties, using the programs that support the watershed protection plan," Bryant said.

Topics will include discussions on development of a model to predict dissolved oxygen in the river, updates on biological and chemical saltcedar controls, prescribed burning efforts and an overview of the plan's goals and objectives.

Texas Forest Service personnel will also speak on drought and tree mortality at both sites.

Lunch is being provided by the AgriLife Extension office in Crockett County and the Sandhills Soil and Water Conservation District.

During lunch, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service personnel will talk about the health of the river from an aquatic habitat and fish community perspective at the first field day and National Weather Service personnel will cover what a "red flag" warning for fire danger means at the next day's lunch break.

Two Texas Department of Agriculture continuing

education units – one integrated pest management and one general – will be available at each site.

RSVP is required for the lunch count. To RSVP and for more information contact Bryant at (432) 336-8585, glbryant@ag.tamu. edu by today, April 18.

A map to the field day locations and information on the project can be found on the project website at http://pecosbasin.tamu.edu/.

Funding and support for the development and implementation of the Pecos River Watershed Protection Plan is provided through a Clean Water Act Nonpoint Source grant from the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

The projects are managed by the Texas Water Resources Institute, a unit of Texas AgriLife Research, the AgriLife Extension and the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Texas A&M University, the Upper Pecos Soil and Water Conservation District and Crockett Soil and Water Conservation District.

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# New public access project for Devils River

Texas Parks & Wildlife Department recently acquired the approximately 18,000-acre Devils River Ranch in Val Verde County to add to the existing Devils River State Natural Area. The plan will allow visitors more opportunity for primitive back country camping, hiking, and paddling and enjoying the pristine turquoise waters of this remote and rugged river, while preserving the area's natural and cultural resources and protecting the rights of landowners.

TPWD will hold public meetings to present and take comments on the proposed Devils River State Natural Area Public Use Plan. This is an opportunity to participate in the project, and public comment is welcome regarding the recreational and public use of the site complex. Del Rio is hosting one of the public meet-ings on April 16, 7-9 p.m., at the Civic Center (Kennedy Room), 1915 Veterans Blvd.; others will be held in Austin, San Antonio, Houston, and Arlington throughout April.

For more information, call Chris Beckcom, (512) 389-4661, chris.beckcom@tpwd.state.tx.us or Joe Ranzau, (830) 395-2133, joe. ranzau@tpwd.state.tx.us.

# San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo Ambassador tryouts

The San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo Ambassadors would like to invite you to the First Community Federal Credit Union Spur Arena in San Angelo April 22 for tryouts.

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The San Angelo Stock bassadors are in the proow & Rodeo Ambassa- cess of adding new faces to s would like to invite our program.

> You can visit sanangelorodeo.com, click the Rodeo tab, then Ambassadors and read the guidelines for nonriding and drill team.

Print an application, bring it with you for the interview or drill team tryouts.

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# Lady Lions are playoff bound

The Lady Lions are heading to the playoffs for the second year in a row, after defeating Brady 14-4 on April

The win puts Ozona into the number two spot in district play.

"This is a great accomplishment for our program and shows how far our team has come," said Coach Butch Gonzalez. "The ladies are looking forward to the postseason play and understand all teams enter the postseason with 0 wins and 0 losses."

Pitching - Adrienne Sanchez; Catcher - Kodi Glosson. Sanchez made two runs and had four strikeouts. Cynthia Garcia had four runs and Glosson had three runs. Brianna Cervantez had two runs and Samantha De La Garza, Vivian Medina and Lexi Poindexter had one run each.

Glosson set the tempo for the game against Brady by blasting a two-run homerun on her first at bat in the first inning. After that, the hitting never slowed down.

"When the Lady Lions are hitting the ball the way they did and are capable of, we are pretty tough to beat," Gonzalez said.

The Lady Lions lost a tough one to Sonora, 6-3, on

Pitching Sanchez; Catcher - Glosson.

Glosson scored two runs, Stacie Quiroz one run and Sanchez had five strikeouts.

"In Ozona versus Sonora, anything can happen. We really feel that Sonora didn't win the game as much as we lost the game, but we have to understand as a team that one bad inning doesn't equal one bad game," Gonzalez said.

The Lady Lions will start their playoff run this weekend possibly against Com-





# Lions fall short to Brady Bulldogs

The Ozona Lions made attempted a comeback last week, but fell short to Brady 14-13 on April 13.

Pitching - Glen Tinney; Catchers - Alejandro Mendez, Jayton Rodriquez and Chae DeHoyos.

Mendez was 3 for 4, 1

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paper had been incorrectly scored. School officials contacted the District Academic Coordinator and chose to withdraw Chris from the regional meet. An alternate student will be competing.

Other students placing in the district meet were:

· The Mathematics Team of Cynthia Garcia, Kramer Hall, Michael Medina and Isabel Ybarra were second.

·Cris Taylor - sixth place Literary Criticism

·Lane Hale - fourth place Editorial Writing and sixth place Headline Writ-

· Avni Bhakta - fifth place Calculator

·Lisa Dorrough - fifth place Computer Applica-

· Jadie Marshall - sixth place Ready Writing

BB and 3 runs: DeHovos was 2 for 4, 1 BB, 3 RBIs, 2 runs and 1 double; Rodriquez was 2 for 3, 1 BB, 2 RBIs, 3 runs, 1 triple; Jerrod duBois was 3 for 4, 3 RBIs, 1 run, 2 doubles and Alex Borrego was 1 for 3, 2 RBIs.

"Although we made a valiant comeback late in the game it was not enough as Brady scored two runs in the bottom of the seventh inning to win the ball game. We started the game pretty flat and gave Brady 9 runs in the first two innings. We chipped away at the lead throughout the game eventually took the lead in the top of the seventh inning to go up 13-12. Unfortunately that was not enough. I was proud of the boys on how they fought back and never gave up. Although this was a little set back, we are still alive in the playoff hunt," said Coach Ray Talamantes.

The Lions lost to Sonora, 13-2, on April 10.

Pitching – DeHoyos; Catchers – Mendez and Adam Gonzales.

Mendez was 1 for 2; Gonzales was 1 for 2, 1 run and Glen Tinney was 1 for

The Lions will face Grape Creek Friday at Lion Field.



MELISSA PERNER | THE OZONASTOCKMAN

THE PLAYOFF BOUND OZONA LADY LIONS were honored Friday night at Ozona's Relay For Life after their 14-4 win over Brady.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

OZONA ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS COMPETED IN THE SPECIAL OLYMPICS held on Friday, April 13 in Sonora.

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1600-meter run after moving up from fourth place to third at the end of the last lap.

Cynthia Garcia was the District Champion in the 200-meter dash at 26.91. Garcia won the Lady Lions only gold medal at the meet.

Alex Rodriguez placed third in the 800-meter-run at 2:35 and added her name to the regional list.

Two relay teams qualified for the regional meet. The 800-meter relay finished third in a tremendous finish by anchor leg Cynthia Garcia, after experiencing three very difficult handoffs, said Coach Erik Thormahlen.

The girls ran a 1:54.06, .19 seconds behind Sonora's team. The team consisted of Lexi Poindexter, Jenny Venegas, Rodriguez and Garcia.

In the 1600-meter relay, the girls finished third as

well, finishing about a second behind Wall with a time of 4:21. The team consisted of Poindexter, Rodriguez, Guerra and Garcia.

Other meet results:  $\cdot$ 3200-meter run – 6. Marissa Held, 13:47.

·Long Jump - 5. Jenny Venegas, 14-11. ·Triple Jump - 5. Lexi

Poindexter, 30-0. ·Shot Put - 5. Vivian

Medina, 28-10.75.  $\cdot$ 400-meter dash - 5. Lexi Poindexter, 1:06.  $\cdot$  300-meter hurdles - 4.

Jenny Venegas, .53  $\cdot$  400-meter relay - 6. Ozona, 57.52.

"I was extremely proud of the girls. I have told them all year that we have three goals each time we go to a meet: work hard, get better and have fun. This is a very competitive district in every sport I've been involved with. To improve upon what

we did last year is a true testament to how hard these girls have worked. They have battled the loss of teammates to graduation, injury and grades this season, yet they were still able to qualify in seven events and display a very respectable showing at the district meet. I'm proud and fortunate to coach such an outstanding group of young ladies," Thormaehlen said.

On the Lions side, Jerrod duBois was District Champion in the shot put with a throw of 44-1.25.

"This was Jerrod's first time this year to compete in the shot put and he was sitting in third before the final throw," said Coach Todd Iglehart.

Michael Vargas qualified for the regional meet with a third place finish in pole vault at 10-9.

"Michael has been telling me for the past month that

he was ready to compete at the varsity level and he stepped up," Iglehart said. Saul Vargas rounded out

the regional qualifiers placing third in the 3200-meter run. Other meet results:  $\cdot$ 3200-meter run – 4.

Omero Rodriguez and 5. Josiah Jurado. ·High Jump - 5. Jayton

Rodriquez.  $\cdot$ 400-meter relay - 6.

Ozona  $\cdot$ 800-meter relay - 6.

Ozona  $\cdot$ 1600-meter relay - 5.

·1600-meter run - 5. Jo-

siah Jurado and 6. Saul Vargas.

JV results:

·Triple Jump - 3. Bryce Gutierrez, 35-4.25 and 5. Jon David DeHoyos, 34-7.5. ·Long Jump - 6. Ryan

·Pole Vault - 3. Ryan Porras.

· Shot Put- 4. Rigo Rodriguez, 34-9.25.

 $\cdot$ 800-meter dash - 1. Ryan Porras, 2:16 and 2. Bryce Gutierrez, 2:18.

·1600-meter run - 1. Ryan Porras, 5:17 and 5. Bryce Gutierrez.  $\cdot$ 400-meter relay – 5.

Ozona.  $\cdot$ 800-meter relay - 4.

·300-meter hurdles - 3. Daniel Gonzales, 48.68.

"As a group, we were very proud of our improvements and determination from all of our athletes. We have a young track squad and look for many breakouts next year. Throughout the season we have been talking about improving everything e we step on the track and we feel that we did that on Wednesday,' Iglehart said. "Thanks to all who were able to make the trip to Sonora and cheer on

these athletes." The athletes will compete in a regional qualifier meet Thursday, April 19, at Irion County and then on April 27-28 in Ratliff Stadium at Odessa for the Region 1-2A meet.

# **Lions Giving Back** hosting 'Get Ozona Beautiful'

A Community Service Opportunity for OHS Students is coming up.

Ozona Lions Giving Back will be hosting a "Get Ozona Beautiful" campaign, Thursday, April 19, from 4-7 p.m., and Saturday, April 21 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Sign-up at the office on the Community Service window at Ozona High School.

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**OMS EIGHTH GRADE STUDENTS visited the Holocaust Museum two** weeks ago in San Antonio. The students met George Fodor, a Hungarian Jew that survived two concentration camps and later immigrated to the United States. The students were able to ask questions and take pictures with Fodor. Forty-four students were able to take the trip. The students also looked at photos, artifacts and maps that showed the history and liberation of concentration camps in World War II.

# OHS Art Scholarship available

The Ozona High School Art Club is offering a \$250 scholarship to help further the art education of a graduating senior at Ozona High School.

The graduate to be awarded the scholarship will be determined by a competition, judged by a scholarship committee chosen by the Art Club.

Interested students will submit their application along with a self created artwork for the Annual Art Show to the OHS Art Depart-

Pick up a application in the OHS Go Center. Deadline date is May 11.

# **OMS** competes at TMSCA State Meet



doza, medalist and Kamryn Lozano, medalist; (back row, left to right)

OMS STUDENTS competed in the State Math and Science Meet on April 14 in San Antonio. Pictured are: (front row, left to right) Denise Rodriguez, medalist, Kassidy Gonzales, Samantha Torralba, medalist, and Cierra Sanchez; (middle row, left to right) Jasmine Carty, Rachel Men-

Estefania Torralba, Noel Fierro, Alex Hopper and Jeremy Munoz. Ozona Middle School students attended the State Math and Science meet on April 14 at the University of Texas at San Antonio. OMS was represented with 11

meet. In Calculator Application, Ozona placed ninth out of 15 schools.

competitors at Saturday's

In sixth grade, Denise Rodriguez and Samantha Torralba both placed 12th and earned medals. Kassidy Gonzalez placed 24th and Cierra Sanchez 31st.

In seventh grade, Kamryn Lozano and Rachel Mendoza each placed 17th and earned medals.

In eighth grade, Alex

# Ozona Elementary hosting book fair

Ozona Elementary School will host a book fair the week of April 16-20.

A Parent Night will be held from 6:30-7:30 p.m. April 18 at the Ozona Elementary Library.

All parents are welcome to attend. For more information, call 392-5501 ext. 5807. Hopper was 33rd, Jeremy Munoz 34th and Estefania Torralba 36th.

In number sense, seventh-grader Jasmine Carty was 28th.

In mathematics, Ozona was 10th out of 15 schools. Eighth-graders Alex Hopper and Noel Fierro placed 38th and 47th respectively.

In science, Ozona was 12th out of 15 schools. Eighth-graders Alex Hopper and Jeremy Munoz placed 27th and 39th respectively.

# **OMS** Tennis has dual match with Junction

The Ozona Lions and Lady Lions competed in a dual tennis match Junction. After almost three full hours of playing, the tennis team had many victories.

Participants are Rachel Mendoza, Bobbie Jo Vargas, Kabir Shah, Tristan Galindo, Walker Whitten, Kevin Villareal, Philip Vargas, Kim Borrego, Lauren Miles, Daisy Cantu, Madie Childress, and Estefania Torralba.

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**OHS Food Night Mondays** 7-10 p.m.

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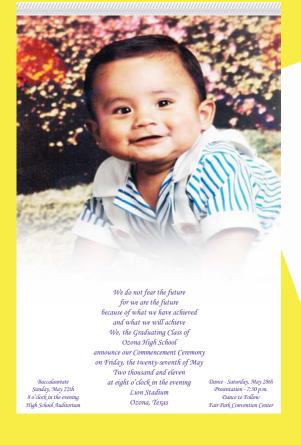
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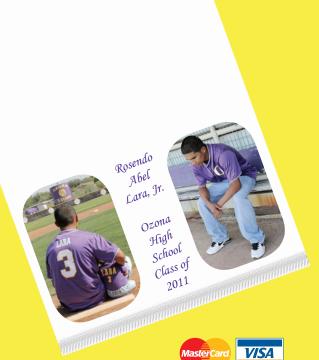
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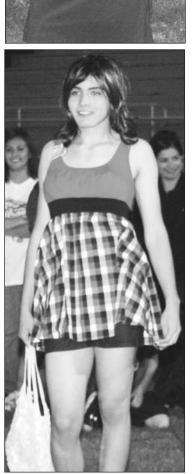


Glenda's Gladiators Team for the Crockett County Relay For Life would like to thank everyone who supported us in our fund-raising efforts for this year's relay. We want to send a special thanks to Dollar General, Triple C Hardware & Lumber and Lowe's Supermarket for allowing us to have bake sales at the stores. All who helped bake the treats and those who bought them deserve a big thanks also. To all of our friends at Ozona Elementary, we have a special thanks to you for supporting our school fund-raisers of sweet treats and lunch, but especially for supporting the Kiss the Pig contest. We thank CCCCSD Administration for allowing us to have the contest and appreciate the willingness of all the participants. Thank you Mr. Glosson for sharing the pig. Thank you for Shelly Childress, the relay committee and Crockett County citizens for making the 2012 Crockett County Relay For Life a big success. Cindy Owens

Team Captain

		AUDITO	R'S QUARTERL	Y REPORT		
	JANUARY 1, 2012 BEGINNING BALANCE	JANUARY 1, 2012 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2012				
		RECEIPTS	TRANSFERS	CASH DISBURSEMENTS	TRANSFERS OUT	MARCH 31, 2012 ENDING BALANCE
GENERAL FUND:	\$ 6,888,647.72	8,525,511.76		(1,663,732.21)	(631,477.34)	13,118,949.93
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### **BOARD:** from page 1

Other items on the agenda:

·Open forum/public comments

· District Spotlight - Volunteers

·Reports (15 minutes)
- Transportation and Maintenance; Principals; Athletic Director; Technology; Financial and Bills; Board Report; Special and Federal Programs and Superintendent.

·Consent Agenda (5 minutes) – Approve minutes from the March 21 regular meeting and the finance workshops held March 26 and April 9 and amendments to the 2011-2012 official budget.

·Consider approval of the "Blessings in a Backpack" nutrition program adoption at Ozona Elementary School presented by Catherine Paige Tambunga J.D. (10 minutes).

·Consider re-bid proposals for Field House Modifications (30 minutes).

·Executive/Closed Session – Texas Government Code Chapter 551 (15 minutes) to discuss consider professional contracts for 2012-2013, vacancies and staffing for 2012-2013 and resignations.

·Possible action from executive/closed session (5 minutes).

·Consider legislative changes to board policy update 93 on termination of employment-reduction in force, reduction in force-financial exigency and reduction in force-program change.

·Future business – School Finance Workshop Series April 23 and 30, May 2012 Regular Board Meeting, suggested date May 16 and joint board and sitebase district committee planning retreat.

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# Texas State Youth Water Camp registration available

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

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

The Crockett County

Groundwater Conservation District will sponsor students from Crockett County to attend this year's Water Camp.

The camp will be held July 8-12 at the George and Opal Bentley 4-H Center in Monahans. The 5-day camp focuses on water quality and conservation education and features field trips, tours and hands-on

group project work.

The camp invites 15 boys and 15 girls from all across the state of Texas. Participants must be of high school age and have an interest in water quality and conservation and be willing to participate as a team member during the 5-day camp.

This camp is not restricted to 4-H members. Cost of the

camp is \$150, however; the Crockett County G.C.D. will pay for the cost of the camp plus \$150 to the travel provider.

Anyone interested in attending this camp, please call the Crockett County G.C.D at 392-5156 or stop by the office at 1102 Ave I to obtain an application form. All applications must be turned in by May 18.

# PARKS: from page 1

ing Guadalupe Mountains and Big Bend in Texas. By November, it is supposed to complete a plan that could regulate emissions from dozens of Texas' industrial plants, with the goal of reducing haze at parks. Texas officials who would execute the plan are not seeking any new controls, and the electric power industry, unusually, is taking the prospect of a new EPA rule in stride.

"Big Bend is our largest national park, but there is very little industry around that area, so these new rules don't really have much effect on generators," said Walt Baum, executive vice president of the Association of Electric Companies of Texas. Asked about the impact on three old coal plants – Big Brown, Monticello and Martin Lake — operated by the power-generation company Luminant, Ashley Barrie, a spokeswoman for Luminant, said that "all of the national parks and wilderness areas that the regional haze rule is designed to protect are located far away from these plants. Therefore, this has not been a significant problem in Texas."

Stephanie Kodish, the clean air counsel for the National Parks Conservation Association, said the visibility protection for parks has been decades in the making. The haze controls will apply to a variety of air pollutants, including particulate matter, nitrogen oxides and sulfur dioxide

By May 15, the EPA will decide whether to accept a state haze plan approved in 2009 by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. The TCEQ says no additional controls on Texas industrial plants are nec-



essary, and that dust storms originating "with little or no human activity" from the nearby desert have a big impact on some days. A Big Bend study from the 1990s estimated contributions from Mexico, Texas and the eastern United States to be about one-third each, the agency says, though it cannot tell what percent is manmade.

Data provided by the National Park Service shows that on poor-visibility days, at least one-third of the haze contribution at Big Bend usually comes from sulfates, which are typically linked to manmade pollution and come from Texas, other states and Mexico.

The EPA concurs: "Most of the haze causing pollution at Big Bend comes from human activity, specifically sulfate from the burning of fossil fuel," said David Bary, a regional spokesman for the agency.

Michael Hiatt, an associate lawyer with the environmental group Earthjustice in Colorado, said he knew of no other state declining to add controls under the haze rules. He hopes the EPA will reject TCEQ's plan, as it has already done for Oklahoma's plan. (Oklahoma's attorney general is suing the agency)

Controls on Texas plants could help clean the air at national parks in other states, Earthjustice says. TCEQ says, however, that nearby states like Arkansas and Missouri have not requested more controls. The agency notes it is already implementing pollution-control strategies for ozone.

Complicating matters is the legal wrangling over the cross-state air pollution rule, a separate EPA regulation that a court stayed in December. That rule regulates some of the same pollutants as the haze rule, though it applies only to power plants. Oral arguments on that rule, which has drawn political opposition in Texas, take place today at a federal

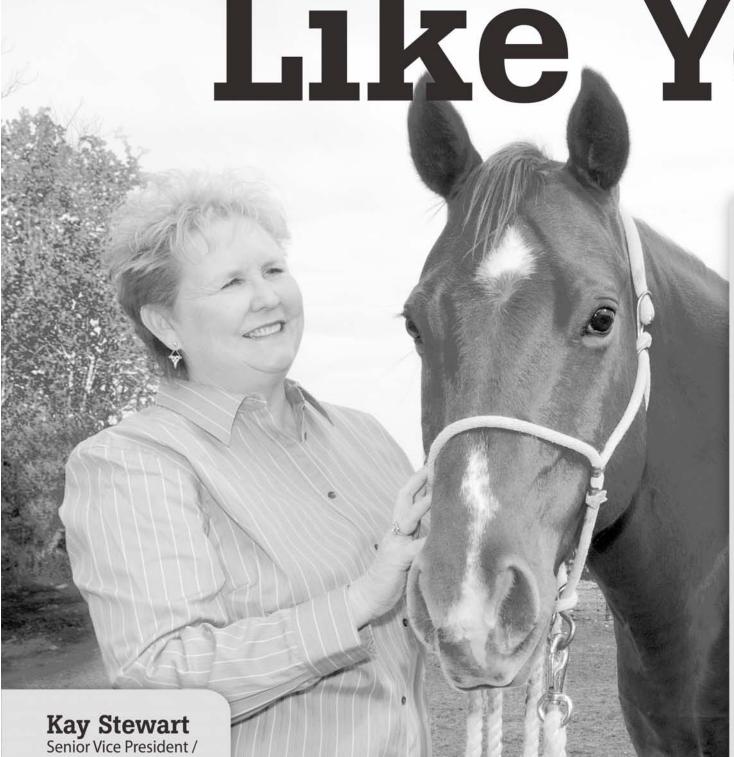
The EPA recently proposed allowing the cross-state regulations to substitute for some haze rules in Texas and other states. Environmental groups say the cross-state rule is too weak to address haze issues; for example, it would allow power plants to trade pollution-reduction obligations with other plants.

Bary said that the haze proposals with regard to the cross-state rule are "based on an all-areas averaging approach, which is consistent with the goals of the Clean Air Act to restore natural conditions of visibility everywhere but not necessarily immediately and at the same pace in each

What happens to the haze proposals if the cross-state rule is further delayed or thrown out?

"We cannot speculate on the impact of a final ruling," said Bary of the EPA.





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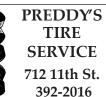
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School finance workshops continue Monday

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CCCCSD Superintendent tions for teachers and staff. Sessions will be held at

the OES Cafetorium and will start at 6:30 p.m.

April 23 - School Finance - Compliance indicators, Maintenance of effort and Schools FIRST

April 30 - School Finance - Budget Challenges for CCCCSD, 2012-2013 and Beyond

For more information, call 392-5501.

# AARP Texas: homestead tax cap is not at risk

AUSTIN - There's some misinformation circulating about what will be on the ballot in the upcoming May election. A spam e-mail has been making its way across the state, warning voters that the homestead tax cap for people 65 and older is up for a vote.

This simply isn't true. In 2006, The Texas Legislature passed a law reducing property taxes for all homeowners. However, the legislation left out senior and disabled citizens whose property taxes were already "frozen." As a result, seniors and people with disabilities didn't receive the same reduction.

AARP Texas tackled this issue during the 2007 Session, and the Texas Legislature passed a bill calling for seniors and disabled citizens to receive the same benefits from the tax reduction as other Texans. In May of that year, Texas voters passed the amendment extending property tax relief to seniors and disabled Texans.

This problem was solved over four years ago. There is no constitutional amendment election scheduled in Texas in May 2012. Seniors and disabled Texans can rest easy, knowing their homestead tax cap is not at risk.

For more information, visit www.aarp.org.

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# **FIRE DEPARTMENT RUNS**

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From Ozona Fire Chief Bob R Falkner - The Crockett County burn band was lifted Ian. 9. Special note, please notify Ozona Volunteer Fire Department at (325) 392-2626 if you are going to burn brush. We get tons of calls and it takes time to confirm that it is a control burn.

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·4:43 p.m. - Assist EMS possible landing zone north on County Road 205. Three units, six firefighters. Time in service 2 hours 39 minutes.

·8:25 p.m. - 600 block of Avenue G. Tree in back yard burning. Four units, seven firefighters. Time in service 1 hour 21 minutes.

**APRIL 13**  $\cdot$ 8:08 p.m. - Two mile north on State Hwy 163, compost on fire. Two units, four firefighters. Time in service 19 minutes.

# **National Observance Week** highlights work zone awareness

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AUSTIN - Most folks realize that barreling through a work zone can have consequences. But, for those who don't, Texas has a message—"Drive Smart and Arrive Alive."

The 2012 National Work Zone Awareness Week (NW-ZAW) is April 23-27. As in past years, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will join the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), national transportation associations and other state DOTs to remember victims and raise awareness about safety precautions for workers and motorists in work zones.

Work zones can be hazardous for motorists and crews working to improve Texas' highways. However, TxDOT has seen a decrease in work zone fatalities in 2010 from the previous year because of increased safety measures and public outreach efforts.

In 2010, 100 people were killed in highway construction and maintenance zones in Texas, down from 108 the previous year. While work zone fatalities and crashes have declined, there is still work to do.

"Each year, Texas sees fewer work zone fatalities than the year before largely because of coordinated efforts to educate motorists on the dangers of speed and distracted driving in work zones," said John Barton, TxDOT's deputy executive director. "Each of us has the power to protect lives as we drive. We just need to put our cell phones down, stop adjusting the radio and focus on driving safely.'

TxDOT maintains approximately 80,000 miles of highway and oversees more than 1,000 construction or maintenance projects at any given time. With so much construction, motorists frequently encounter work zones.

·In 2010, there were 3,073 distracted driver crashes in work zones, involving 7,468 vehicles. These distracted driver crashes resulted in 14 fatalities.

·In 2010, 61 percent of work zone fatalities were male.

·Forty-five percent of all work zone fatalities for 2010 were 35 years old or younger.

·Nine out of every ten work zone fatalities are motorists traveling through the work zone.

 $\cdot$ One in three work zone crashes is a rear-end collision.

·Of the 100 work zone fatalities in 2010, 54 were drug and alcohol-related.

Barton said everyone should take responsibility for work zone safety, from engineers and planners to drivers and pedestrians. For more information about work zone safety or to download our Public Service Announcements, go to www. txdot.gov, search work zone.

# Al-Anon meetings Thursdays

Weekly meetings of Al-Anon are Thursdays.

The Al-Anon program is based on the 12 steps of Al-

coholics Anonymous. The purpose of Al-Anon Family Groups is to help family and friends affected by someone else's drinking/

There are no fees or dues. Anonymity is a central principle - participants must keep confidential the identities and everything said during meetings.

For information or questions, call (325) 277-9669.

# **STATE:** from page 2

He served for eight years as a state representative and 20

years as a state senator. An April 17 private burial in the Texas State Cemetery in Austin was scheduled.

### GARCIA NAMED TO RRC

Elizabeth Ames Jones's resignation as a member of the Texas Railroad Commission in February created an opening on the agency's three-member board. Gov. Rick Perry appointed H.S. "Buddy" Garcia to the post by last week.

Garcia, a resident of Austin and a native of Brownsville, was a member of the Texas

Commission on Environmental Quality from 2007 to 2009 and earlier served as a deputy secretary of state and border commerce coordinator. Garcia also previously served as a senior advisor to Gov. Perry and state Sen. Eddie Lucio Jr., D-Brownsville.

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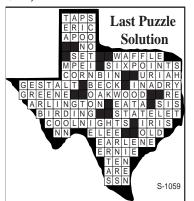
Texas' chief elections officer, Secretary of State Hope Andrade. on April 11 said false information was circulating via a bogus email message suggesting there would be a statewide constitutional amendment election that includes a homestead property tax exemption measure.

Andrade reminded voters the May 12 Uniform Election is for local elections only and there is no statewide proposition on the ballot. "If you receive an email claiming such a proposition is on the ballot, please disregard it and do not forward it to help stop the spread of this false information," she said.

# FOR THE RECORD:

### **WEEKLY COURT PROCEEDINGS BAIL BONDS**

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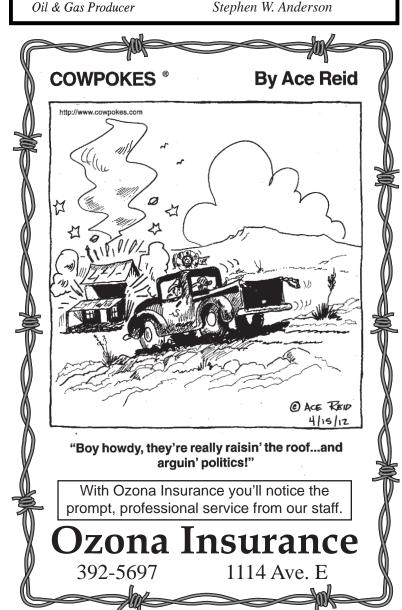




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