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67th annual Stock Show Saturday

The 67th annual Crockett County Stock Show will take place Friday, Dec. 19, and Saturday, Dec. 20, at the 4-H Barn and Crockett County Fair Park Convention Center.

Everyone is invited to attend and watch the Crockett County 4-Hers show their animals.

Goats and hogs must be clipped on or before today, Dec. 17. Aaron Renfro is available to help.

Animals must be in the barn by 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19. A mandatory exhibitor meeting will also be at 5 p.m., followed by weighing at 5:30 p.m.

The show will start at 8 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 20, at the 4-H Barn. Order of show: Finewool Lambs, Finewool Cross Lambs, Meat Goats, Angora Goats and Swine.

A \$5 steak dinner and awards will be at 5:30 p.m. with a dance to follow from 7-10 p.m. at the convention center.

Holiday works of art



ANN FOWLER showcases some of her artwork during the Helping Hands annual Arts and Crafts Show on Dec. 11 at the Civic Center.

Lombrana named All-State

Ozona Lion Daniel "Bono" Lombrana has been named to the 2014 Texas Associated Press Sports Editors Class 2A All-State High School Football Team.



DANIEL 'BONO' LOMBRANA

Lombrana was named Honorable Mention Linebacker.

Voting is based on regular-season performance.

Lombrana had 105 tackles, 5 forced fumbles, 1 fumble recovery and 1 blocked punt for the 2014 season.

"I am very proud of Daniel (Bono) and this honor. He definitely was an impact player for us this year and served as our defensive captain. Daniel has been a joy to coach and watch play for the last two seasons. Many times his instinct and nose for the ball made huge differences in many of our ball games, and lit the fire we needed to overcome some rough patches," said Coach Edward Perez.

The OHS Senior was also named All-District MVP.

Crockett County Commissioners meeting Thursday

The Crockett County Commissioners' Court will hold a special called meeting at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 18, at the courthouse annex.

The meeting is open to the public.

Items on the agenda:

- Discussion and action on approval of TRANSA Contract.
- Discussion and action on 2014 Budget Line Item Changes.
- Discussion and action to open and reward bids for the Civic Center Roof.

The next regular commissioners' meeting is 9 a.m. Jan. 12 at the courthouse annex. The meeting is open to the public.

Thank you for 35 years of service



DEBBIE PUCKETT (center) was honored at a retirement reception on Dec. 9 at the Crockett County Courtroom for 35 years of service to Crockett County, including 32 years as District and County Clerk. She is pictured with 112th District Judge Pete Gomez (left) and Crockett County Judge Fred Deaton.

CCCCSD School Board meeting tonight

The CCCCSD School Board will hold their regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. tonight (Dec. 17) in the Administration Office Board Room at 797 Avenue D.

The meeting is open to the public.

Items on the agenda:

- District spotlight - 17 Lions named to All-District Football.
- Open forum/public comments
- Vince Viaille proposal for sale of bonds
- Consider a reimbursement resolution as prepared by Powell & Leon
- Reports: Transportation and Maintenance; Principals; Athletic Director; Technology Director; Band; Cafeteria and Food Service; Nurse; Special and Federal Programs and Superintendent - enrollment and attendance.

· Financial and Bills: Bills; Board Report; Monthly Investment Report; Amendments to the 2014-2015 Official Budget and Approval of Public Notice.

· Review and discuss tutoring at the high school campus.

· Consent Agenda: Approve minutes from the Nov. 12, 2014 Regular Meeting.

· Executive/closed session: Personnel Matters.

· Possible action from executive/closed session.

· Select two members to serve two-year terms on the Crockett County Appraisal District Board.

· Announcing board's continuing education credit.

· New Business

· Future Business - January 2015 Regular Board Meeting (suggested date 6:30 p.m. Jan. 21).

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TSCRA prepares for 84th Texas Legislative Session

On Jan. 13, 2015, the 84th session of the Texas Legislature is kicking off in Austin. The Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA) is looking forward to being on the ground working at the state Capitol to make sure cattle raisers and landowners are properly represented.

In past legislative sessions, TSCRA has secured notable accomplishments. We have worked to pass legislation to secure landowners' private property rights, track animal health issues and strengthen cattle theft laws. We have also worked hand-in-hand

with other agricultural and landowner groups to prevent legislation from passing that would not be good for you as ranchers and landowners.

TSCRA has been actively monitoring issues that could come up in this session, as well as meeting



CATTLEMAN'S COLUMN

ROBERT MCKNIGHT

new members and their staff and staying in contact with ones we have worked with in the past.

Some say water may not be an issue this session; however, TSCRA believes this important resource will be a major topic not only this session, but for ones to come. As Texas continues to struggle with drought conditions and the need for water grows in our state, some groundwater ownership issues could come up. TSCRA staunchly believes groundwater is groundwater. If a water resource lies beneath your property, you own it. TSCRA will be active in

water rights and ownership issues during this session.

TSCRA will also be engaged should any eminent domain related legislation be filed. We will do whatever it takes to make sure landowners are treated fairly when an entity uses the power of eminent domain to claim land for public use.

Finally, TSCRA will be watching as many other issues important to cattle raisers and landowners come up, and the association will not hesitate to work with legislators to have legislation filed if needed. In the past TSCRA members

have been instrumental in making us aware of critical issues and providing a strong voice over at the Capitol. In fact, last session it was TSCRA members who made hundreds of phone calls opposing legislation that would have made it easier for oil and gas pipeline companies to condemn land while limiting the rights of landowners.

We will need this same amount of attentiveness during the 84th session.

If you are a TSCRA member, but you haven't provided your e-mail address to us, visit the member center at www.ts-

cra.org and update your profile with a valid e-mail address. We will be sure to stay in contact with you as issues arise and send you e-mail action alerts when needed this session.

TSCRA appreciates everything our members have done to help us accomplish legislative victories in the past, and we know many more achievements will be made in 2015 and years to come.

ROBERT MCKNIGHT raises registered and commercial Herefords and crossbred cattle on ranch land in Jeff Davis, Brewster, Presidio, Reeves and Crane counties. He became a TSCRA director in 1989, and he currently serves as the TSCRA Second Vice President.

A mother's letter to Santa

Dear Santa, I've been a good mom all year. I've fed, cleaned and cuddled my children on demand, visited the doctor's office more than my doctor, sold 62 cases of candy bars to raise money to plant a shade tree on the school playground.



WHAT'S ON MY MIND

MELISSA PERNER

I was hoping you could spread my list out over several Christmases, since I had to write this letter with my son's red crayon, on the back of a receipt in the laundry room between cycles, and who knows when I'll find anymore free time in the next 18 years.

Here are my Christmas wishes:

I'd like a pair of legs that don't ache (in any color, except purple, which I already have) and arms that don't hurt or flap in the breeze; but are strong enough to pull my screaming child out of the candy aisle in the grocery store.

I'd also like a waist, since I lost mine somewhere in the seventh month of my last pregnancy.

If you're hauling big ticket items this year I'd like fingerprint resistant windows and a radio that only plays adult music; a television that doesn't broadcast any programs containing talking animals; and a refrigerator with a secret compartment behind the crisper where I can hide to talk on the phone.

On the practical side, I could use a talking doll that says, "Yes, Mommy" to boost my parental confidence, along with two kids who don't fight and three pairs of jeans that will zip all the way up without the use of power tools.

I could also use a recording of Tibetan monks chanting "Don't eat in the living room"

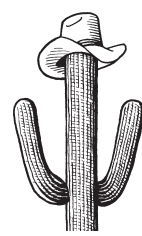
and "Take your hands off your sister," because my voice seems to be just out of my children's hearing range and can only be heard by the dog. If it's too late to find any of these products, I'd settle for enough time to brush my teeth and comb my hair in the same morning, or the luxury of eating food warmer than room temperature without it being served in a Styrofoam container.

If you don't mind, I could also use a few Christmas miracles to brighten the holiday season. Would it be too much trouble to declare ketchup a vegetable? It will clear my conscience immensely. It would be helpful if you could coerce my children to help around the house without demanding payment as if they were the bosses of an organized crime family.

Well, Santa, the buzzer on the dryer is ringing and my son saw my feet under the laundry room door. I think he wants his crayon back. Have a safe trip and remember to leave your wet boots by the door and come in and dry off so you don't catch cold. Help yourself to cookies on the table but don't eat too many or leave crumbs on the carpet. Yours Always, MOM...! P.S. One more thing... you can cancel all my requests if you can keep my children young enough to believe in Santa.

MELISSA PERNER is the editor and publisher of The Ozona Stockman. Check out our annual Santa Letters section next week, in the Dec. 24 edition.

Get The Picture?



IT'S THE PITTS

LEE PITTS

Boy, we sure have come a long way since George Eastman came out with his boxed camera. Initially, to get your pictures developed you had to send the camera to the company, who they would then return it and your photos. Now cameras are everywhere and hardly a day passes without some bigshot, athlete, or cop getting brought down by a photo or recording made by someone's smartphone. And now with the launch of drones, farmers and ranchers have to be especially good citizens every waking moment because there is seemingly no place to hide.

Generally, I'd say that there's not too much that farmers and ranchers do that we can get in trouble for. Just remember to not venture outside without being fully clothed, don't yell at the dog, put a lid on your can of cuss words, don't make your kids work over half an hour without a break, and don't get bucked off your horse or PETA will demand you be incarcerated for animal cruelty. Also, if you "u pay for a BLM or Forest Service allotment don't do anything foolish and actually turn your cattle out on it. Don't shoot anything that is trying to eat you or your livestock either and above all, don't shoot down the drones that are spying on you because I've been told they can cost upwards of \$40,000 to replace.

I am very concerned about one thing practically all of us do at one time or another, male or female. It's a very delicate

matter that I'm hesitant to discuss because you may think I'm just going for some cheap laughs. But this is no laughing matter. It's not dirty or anything like that, well maybe just a little bit, and we all do it at one time or another. Truck drivers do it, campers do it and anyone who works outside far from civilization does it. I bet President Obama has even done it a time or two while golfing in attempting to head off a potentially explosive situation. I think by now you get my drift. Don't let the drones catch you taking a bio-break.

I'm quite confident that somewhere in Washington DC at this very moment someone is writing a rule demanding that you station a porta-potty every hundred yards on your farm or ranch. In the meantime, if you insist on daring the drones by "watering the flowers" or "settling the dust", you could end up paying a huge fine or even losing the homeplace because you violated the Clean Waters Act. The way I read the new proposed EPA proposals the EPA could declare you a wetland or the source of a river as a result of your "effluent". Worse yet, don't let the EPA catch you in the act within three miles of

a stream or you could be looking at life in prison without parole. I'm really worried that the bureaucrats will find some way to connect this natural act with global warming and then our goose really will be cooked, so to speak.

The way I see it, there are only a few options at your disposal to avoid embarrassment in this "smile and say cheese" society. To hide from the drones you could wear a mask at all times but then SWAT teams might mistake you for a terrorist. You could start wearing diapers a few decades before you thought you would but this has its whole other set of problems, like diaper rash and leaky Depends®. I'm looking into those relief tube pilots use when they can't find a rest room at 30,000 feet. Maybe I'll invent a device you could attach to your saddle that would inconspicuously drain on to the ground making it look like your horse did it. Which is perfectly okay... so far.

Probably the best option for most of us is to just hold it and withstand the pressure until we get back to the house where you can use the facilities which probably drains into a septic tank before dispensing your discharge into the ground. Mind you, it ends up in the same place, but at least you won't see yourself in a compromised position on YouTube, Facebook or Entertainment Tonight.

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Panel sets \$7 billion minimum for Rainy Day Fund

AUSTIN — On Dec. 11, a Senate-House joint committee empaneled to adopt a sufficient balance for the state's "rainy day fund" approved \$7 billion as the floor for it.

Properly titled the Economic Stabilization Fund, the oil and gas tax-fueled pool of money was created by constitutional amendment in 1988 when oil was selling as low as \$10 a barrel, causing state coffers to run thin. Calculated at \$6.7 billion last August, the fund previously had no required minimum. The maximum the fund may hold is capped at 10 percent of the state's general revenue during the previous two-year budget cycle.

Proposition 1, passed by Texas voters on Nov. 4, was "The constitutional amendment providing for the use and dedication of certain money transferred to the state highway fund to assist in the completion of transportation construction,

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maintenance, and rehabilitation projects, not to include toll roads."

The measure requires the state to split the oil and gas revenue between the rainy day fund and state highway fund. Because of the booming oil and gas industry, some \$1.74 billion is to be transferred into the highway fund in 2015.

"This transfer will provide a much-needed boost to transportation, which affects everything from commerce and economic development to public safety and our quality of life," said Sen. Jane Nelson, R-Grapevine, co-chair of the joint committee. "The floor also ensures that Texas has sufficient reserves for any unexpected difficulties in the future. It also allows us to address our vital infrastructure needs in a fiscally responsible way."

TXDOT SENSES OPTIMISM

Texas Department of Transportation last week announced the agency "is riding a wave of optimism as citizens, national transportation groups and stakeholders have noted great improvements in Texas just in time for state lawmakers to convene for the 84th Legislative session."

According to a Dec. 9 TxDOT news release, "Many have stated that transportation is a key issue for legislators in 2015, and by passing Proposition 1 with an 80 percent approval, voters have entrusted TxDOT with the job of addressing congestion and keeping our roads safe."

SALES TAX REVENUE IS UP

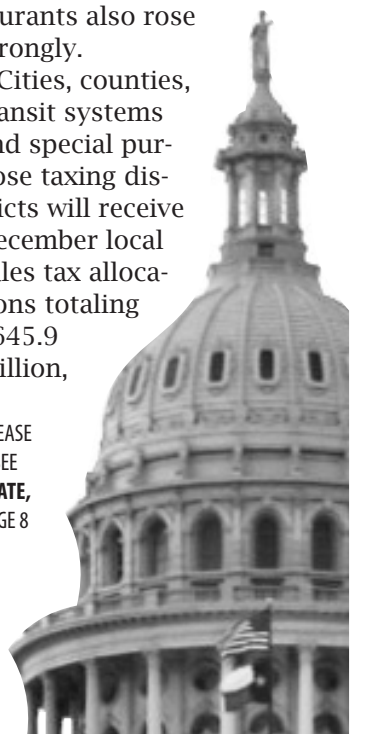
State Comptroller Susan Combs on Dec. 10 reported state sales tax revenue in November of \$2.66 billion, up 10.7 percent compared to

November 2013.

Combs said gains were led by oil and natural gas-related sectors and collections from retail trade and restaurants also rose strongly.

Cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts will receive December local sales tax allocations totaling \$645.9 million,

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JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN

CROCKETT COUNTY honored employees at their annual appreciation banquet on Dec. 9. Pictured are some of the retirees (left to right) Fidencio Martinez, road department, 13 years; Margaret Villarreal, care center, 11 years and Debbie Puckett, district and county clerk, 35 years.

County honors employees

Crockett County honored employees at their annual appreciation banquet on Dec. 9 at the Civic Center.

2014 Service Awards:

5 years - Lindsey Bean, EMS; Paula Lozano, Care Center; Sylvia Mejia, Care Center; Megan C. Nowell, Care Center; Mary Ybarra, Care Center; Laurie English, District Attorney; Jimmy Flores, Sheriff's Office; Eloisa Ortiz, Civic Center; Teresa Yeager, Road Department and Albert Talamantez, Road Department.

10 years - Maria Arrendondo, Care Center; Marta De La Garza, Care Center; Rosantina Rivas, Care Center; Alfredo Leija, EMS; Francisco Lira, Care Center; T.J. Nowell, Fire Department; Slate Williams, Fire Department; Joe Bradford, Fire Department and Kimberly Lozano, District Attorney's Office.

15 years - Patricia Hernandez, Care Center; Pleas Childress III, Commissioner; Miguel Damian, Road Department;

Harold Shaw, Road Department; Jennifer Villarreal, Road Department; Charles McCleary, Airport.

20 years - Petra Hernandez, Clerk's Office; Sammy Longoria, Sheriff's Department; Tommy Sessom, Road Department; Bailey Bishop, EMS and Melissa Glosson, EMS.

25 years - Adam De La Garza, Road Department and Mary Galindo, Library.

30 years - Doug Meador, EMS.

Retirees:

Ray Elkins, Road Department, 22 years.

Fidencio Martinez, Road Department, 13 years.

Bailey Bishop, Fire Department, 21 years.

Tom and Lou Morrow, Fire Department, 16 years.

Ofelia Galan, Care Center, nine years.

Margaret Villarreal, Care Center, 11 years.

Debbie Puckett, District and County Clerk, 35 years.

OZONA SENIOR HAPPENINGS

Bridge Monday afternoons, movies every Thursday

BY BRENDA NEWTON
SENIOR CENTER DIRECTOR

It is always hard to lose a good friend, but at Christmas it is really hard. Eddie Hale was a good friend and will be missed by many people. He is meeting up with his cowboy friends and his golfing buddies and is riding and playing the back nine as a winner.

I think the Helping Hands Arts and Crafts Fair was a big success. There were some really pretty gift items there, and I think they had a good turnout. Ozona is especially good at taking care of their own. Isn't it nice to live in a small town where you know people that you pass on the street? I was in a city this past week and could not get out of there fast enough. I love the small town people.

Each Thursday afternoon at 2 p.m. we show a movie here at the center. Since I will be in College Station congratulating our precious grandson Taylor as he graduates.

I have told Olivia Tijerina to see about the movie for me. Get in touch with her and let her know if you will attend. Come on out and join us. There will be popcorn and cokes.

The Senior Center will be closed Dec. 25 and Dec. 26 so we can celebrate the birth of Jesus. I hope all of you have a very Merry Christmas.

Come play bridge on

Mondays at 1:30 p.m. They always need one or two more to make more tables.

If you know how to play, you will enjoy the challenge. If you do not know how to play, come on and learn.

We learned a new game called Manipulation. Grab you about three people and come on out and I will show you how it is done.

It is a fun, easy to learn game that will give you something to think about.

Ludy Vargas said she would come again if I had more that wanted to learn how to make those beautiful, fluffy scarfs. Let me know and I will tell her when.

It is not hard and would make beautiful Christmas gifts. You only need one skein of sachet Yard and #6 wooden or plastic needles.

Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. there is a hot game of Mexican Train going. The Prayer Group meets in the prayer room at 3 p.m.

Exercise - 9 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Bridge - 1:30 p.m. Monday.

Balance Exercise - 9 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday.

Mexican Train - 1:30 p.m. Wednesday

Prayer Group - 3 p.m. Wednesday

Quilting - 9:30 a.m. Thursday

Movies - 2 p.m. Thursday
Come on out, the coffee is on.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Wednesday, Dec. 17

- Exercise Class, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Ozona National Bank Christmas Open House, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at Ozona National Bank. OES Caroling Times, Third Grade 9:45 a.m., Fourth Grade 10:30 a.m. and Fifth Grade 11:15 a.m.
- Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Prayer Group, 3 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Prayer Group Arise study in Spanish, 5 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- CCCCS School Board meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Building.

Thursday, Dec. 18

- Balance Exercise, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Crockett National Bank Christmas Open House, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at Crockett National Bank. OES Caroling Times, Pre-K 9 a.m.; Kindergarten 9:45 a.m.; First Grade 10:30 a.m. and Second Grade 11:15 a.m.
- OES Caroling at the Crockett County Care Center. Times, Pre-K 9:15 a.m.; Kindergarten 10 a.m.; First Grade 10:45 a.m. and Second Grade 11:30 a.m.
- Quilting, 9:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Movies, 2 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Ozona Bands Christmas Concert, 6 p.m. at the Crockett County Fair Park Convention Center.
- Crockett County Commissioners' Court meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the courthouse annex.

Friday, Dec. 19

- Exercise Class, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Early Release Day, noon for all Ozona Schools.
- OHS JV and Varsity Lady Lions vs. Iraan, 5 p.m. at Iraan.

Saturday, Dec. 20

- Crockett County Stock Show, 8 a.m. at the 4-H Barn. Awards and dinner, 5:30 p.m. with dance from 7-10 p.m. at the Crockett County Fair Park Convention Center.

Sunday, Dec. 21

- Toys for Tots delivery, 4 p.m. starting at the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department.
- Children's Christmas Pageant, 5:30 p.m. at the Ozona United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

Monday, Dec. 22, to Friday, Jan. 2

- Ozona Schools closed for holiday break.

Monday, Dec. 22

- Exercise Class, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Tuesday, Dec. 23

- Balance exercises, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Advent Luncheon, noon at the Ozona United Methodist Church.
- Crafts, 2 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Wednesday, Dec. 24

- Christmas Eve

OES Caroling today and Thursday

OES students will be caroling today (Dec. 17) at Ozona National Bank and Thursday, Dec. 18, at Crockett National Bank and the Crockett County Care Center.

Times for today:

Third Grade - 9:45 a.m.
Fourth Grade - 10:30 a.m.
Fifth Grade - 11:15 a.m.

Times for Thursday:

Pre-K - 9 a.m. CNB; 9:15

a.m. Care Center
Kindergarten - 9:45 a.m. CNB; 10 a.m. Care Center
First Grade - 10:30 a.m. CNB; 10:45 a.m. Care Center
Second Grade - 11:15 a.m. CNB; 11:30 a.m. Care Center.

Both banks will be having their Christmas Open House as well.

For more information, call OES at 392-5501 ext. 5800.

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Dec. 18 - Dio Gutierrez, Ellen Jo Allsup, Ross Crawford, Celia West, Serenity Kydance Vasquez and Hope Ellington

Dec. 19 - Sally Oglesby, Jacque Medina, Vonda Flanagan, Aiden Cruz Sanchez, Tommy Gray, Nanette Verner, Jodie Baggett, Mandy Martinez, Sean Austin Fuentes, Terri Crawford and Thomas Talamantez

Dec. 20 - Jane Richardson, Jordana Perez, Rebecca Lugo, Kenny Wadsworth, Rebecca Flores, Christine Lindsey, Lesly Rodriguez, Blanca Garza, Arleen Castillo, Brylee Gutierrez, Jessica Galan, Stormi Lee Sessom Oglesby and Jacinda Villarreal

Dec. 21 - Bree Pittman, Mia Davidson, Annette De La Garza, Mia Davidson, Ashley Vargas, Hiram Carrizales, Rhonda Borrego, Cody Bush, Nene Ramos, Yvonne Fay, Tommie Pena-Alfaro, Sabrina Salas, Whitney Wilson and Robin Campbell

Dec. 22 - Brock Jones, Pam Crenwelge, Sylvia Mejia, Bree Pittman, Shelly Conner, Marvin Clark and Cyndie Worley

Dec. 23 - Janet Smith, Gloria Fierro, Isabella Ran-

ney-Perez, Ross Kelley, Ben Ross, Hilary Huffman and Juan Dominguez

Dec. 24 - Anthony Hodges, Saul Vargas, Paige Lewis, John Lewis, Amber Lang, Sylvia D. Longoria, Mary V. Jenkins, Antonio Santiago, Sara Richie, Julia Holmes, Justine Fielding, Jonathan Flores, Alan Landa, Tesla Caperton, Belinda Wilkins and Ann Light



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Thursday, Dec. 18

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Ozona Elementary Choir Classes

under the direction of Justina Saunders

Thursday, Dec. 18

Kindergarten - 9:45 p.m.
First Grade - 10:30 p.m.
Second Grade - 11:15 p.m.

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DECEMBER 17

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DECEMBER 19

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DECEMBER 22

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DECEMBER 23

· Goulash, mixed vegetables, wheat roll, mandarian oranges and milk.

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DECEMBER 25

CLOSED - Merry Christmas

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OBITUARIES

Bernard (Bill) William Cota

Bernard (Bill) William Cota went home to be with our Lord, Jesus Christ on December 10, 2014. He was born April 26, 1925 in Fargo, North Dakota.

He was preceded in death by his parents: Charles Theodore Cota and Veronica Hogan Cota; wife Bernice Augustine Harding Cota, and several brothers and sisters.

He is survived by daughters Diane Clarise Babbitt and husband Clifford, Sharon Annette Bullard and husband Asa; son William Charles Cota and wife Lisa; grandchildren Brandon, Trevor, Holly, Melanie, Matthew, Isabelle, Ezra, and Elonyah; great-grandchildren Logan and Sawyer.

Bernard was a devout follower of our Lord and taught his children the same. He was a loving, caring, and hard working husband and father.

He was very young when his family moved to Texas. He attended St. Ann's and St. Mary's grammar schools and St. Thomas high school in Houston. He attended both



Coe College and Texas A&I College.

In 1943, he enlisted in the Army Air Corps. He was assigned to a B-29 group. After his discharge, he worked for Standard Oil Refinery Co. and retired in 1983. He and his wife, Bernice moved to Ozona for their retirement years to enjoy being close to their children and grandchildren.

Donations may be made to the Crockett County Public Library at P.O. Box 3030 in Ozona, Texas

WORDS OF INSPIRATION

God's perfect plans

God has plans. "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11. Notice that plans is plural indicating more than one plan. We don't know all about the plans He has for us but God says "I know" and that's all that matters.

The first plan we know about was the plan of creation. In the counsel halls of eternity past God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit planned to create man in their image. Man was a special creation of God, made in His image and likeness.

Another plan we know about is called the plan of salvation. God knew when He created man we would sin and become lost to God. But God loved



the world of lost mankind so much that before He ever created us He also had a plan to rescue us from sin. God the Father designed this plan, God the Son implemented the plan and God the Holy Spirit maintains the plan by drawing lost mankind to the completed redemptive work of Jesus Christ.

Thirdly, God did not create us and redeem us to turn us loose to try and live the best we could. He has a plan for living

for each and every one of His children that He has prepared in advance. This we sometimes call the plan for sanctification. "For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us." Ephesians 2:10.

Remember, when we are down to nothing, God is up to something!

DAN SLEDGE is the pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Ozona, Texas.

DEATH NOTICES

Anita J. Rivera

Anita J. Rivera, 85, died Monday, Dec. 8, 2014, in San Angelo. Service was Dec. 10 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church with burial in Lima Cemetery. Arrangements are by Kerbow Funeral Home. Survivors include her sons, Joe Martinez, Martin Martinez and Mario Martinez; daughters Amalia Hernandez, Delia Leal, Anna Martinez and Mercedes Hernandez; brother Francisco Jimenez; and sisters Aurora Galindo and Estella Munoz.

OBITUARIES

Eddie Hale

OZONA - Eddie Hale, 80, departed this life on December 10, 2014. Graveside service was held at 2 p.m. Saturday, December 13, at Cedar Hill Cemetery in Ozona. The Rev. John Curry and the Rev. J.B. Bitner officiated the service. Arrangements are by Kerbow Funeral Home in Ozona.

Eddie was born to Ervin and Eva Francis Woolley Hale in Ballinger, Texas, on February 5, 1934. He was raised in the San Angelo and Eden areas. Following service in the US Air Force in 1956, Eddie returned from Alaska to Texas to work on the Rocker B Ranch north of Barnhart. Soon he met Nancy Cox, of Barnhart, and knew he had met the girl he would marry. After fulfilling his promise to her mother that Nancy would attend college, they were married on June 4, 1960, and so began their 54 year partnership together.

Eddie worked on various ranches in and around Crockett County and later enjoyed several partnerships in the ranching business. Friends will remember times shared with him at roping events and sheep dog trials. After his retirement, Eddie became a part-time barber and an avid golfer, enjoying many hours with his golfing buddies. "Papa" especially treasured spending time with his grandchildren, especially the great-grandchildren. They made his life complete.

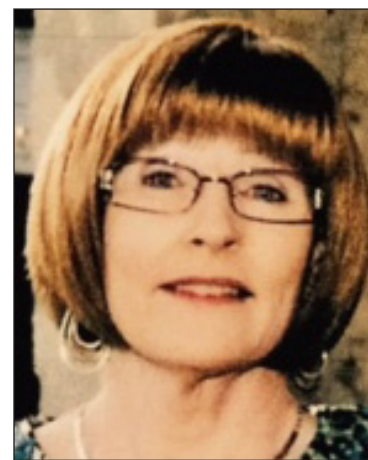
He is survived by his wife, Nancy; sons, Ed, Jr. and wife Laurie; Les and wife Katrece of Ozona; sister Billie Gayle Fortenberry of Arlington; grandchildren Trey Hale and wife Breanne of Ozona; Clay Hale and wife Kari of Christoval; Clint Hale and wife Heather of Ozona; Natalie Baker and husband Reggie of Lancaster; Lane Hale and Brenna Hale of Ozona; and six great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were his grandsons, Bill Black, Royce Newton, and Mike Womack.

Debbie Deaton

February 14, 1955-December 8, 2014

Debra Sue Deaton was born on Valentine's Day, February 14, 1955. Debbie passed away on December 8, 2014 in Austin, Texas. She grew up in a ranching family in Ozona, Texas. Debbie put her heart into all of the activities an agricultural community had to offer. She excelled in 4H, sheep showing, and anything in which her mother, the late Mary Deaton, could encourage her to join. These activities contributed to Debbie's strong independent spirit, her enjoyment of working with youth, and her love for the ranch.



Debbie graduated from Ozona High School in 1973. She continued her education and received a Bachelor's of Science degree from Tarleton State University. Debbie landed her first teaching and coaching job in Junction, Texas. Debbie returned to Ozona to teach and coach. Debbie enjoyed those years in Ozona with her father, the late Taylor Deaton. Debbie relocated and she worked for a brief time with developmentally disabled youth at the Denton State School. Then she moved to Austin.

Debbie accepted a position in the Round Rock ISD in the fall of 1985. From 1985 - 2006, Debbie continued to teach 8th grade science in Round Rock middle schools (Canyon Vista, Cedar Valley, and Ridgeview) until her retirement in December 2006. Debbie retired with 29 years of service to the students of Texas. In her retirement, Debbie continued to use her science and technology teaching expertise to guide schools as an Instructional Coach and she continued to stay updated on current Texas educational issues.

Debbie loved to snow ski and she visited most major ski resorts west of the Rocky Mountains, including Whistler/Blackcomb in British Columbia. She was an avid runner and enjoyed running the trails around Town Lake. During recent years, she continued to spend time with friends and family.

She enjoyed an Alaskan cruise, took day trips to Gruene, Wimberley, and Fredericksburg, and was a huge San Antonio Spurs fan. She went to many games and always knew the stats of the opposing teams.

Debbie was preceded in death by her mother, Mary Louise Drake Deaton, and her father Marshall Taylor Deaton. Debbie is survived by her sister Diana Deaton, her brother Fred and his wife Mary Anne Deaton, special nieces and nephews; Taylor Ninness, Jessica and William Truitt, Jana and Jarad Smith, Kristen and Spencer Han, Kayla and Travis Davidson and 8 grand-nieces and nephews; Trinity and Calvary Truitt, Gus and EV Smith, Addison and Emerson Han, and Mia and Avery Davidson. Debbie enjoyed a rich life with many dear friends. She will be missed.

Graveside services will be held at the Cedar Hill Cemetery in Ozona, Texas at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 20, 2014.

Debbie had a life-long love for animals and appreciated the visits from therapy pets during her hospitalizations and while she was in hospice care.

Some of Debbie's favorite charities include: Therapy Pet Pals of Texas, Inc., 3930 Bee Cave Road, Suite C, Austin, TX 78746 <http://www.therappetpals.org>; The Crockett County Public Library, P.O. Box 3030, Ozona, Texas 76943 or The American Cancer Society, www.cancer.org.

THOSE LITTLE HANDS

I recently received a picture of a little newborn baby. In the center of the picture was a tiny little hand holding on to its mother's finger. That picture reminded me of the night that Jesus was born in a manger in Bethlehem many years ago. Mary would look at and hold, as most young mothers do, those tiny little fingers and hands. Little did she know that it was God with us, (Matthew 1:23) and in that little child was the fullness of God, (John 14:10&11, Colossians 1:15). Years later those young hands would work in a carpenter shop and later take a few small loaves of bread and miraculously feed over five thousand. They would also take dirt and spittle and give sight to the blind. They also made the lame to walk. Those hands when outstretched could calm the most violent storm and yet tenderly hold a young child that wanted to be near. Yes, those hands were brutally beaten and then spikes driven through them and they stayed nailed to a cross on a hill in Jerusalem over two thousand years ago until there was no life left in them. It was then and there, that a way was made for our sins to be forgiven, (John 3:16, Colossians 1:14). It will also be those hands that will be waiting to greet us and take us into heaven and eternity, (John 14:3&6).

See you in Church next Sunday.

Brother J

<p>First Baptist Church 901 Ave. D Pastor John Curry Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday Morning Bible Study - 10 a.m. Awana - 5:30 p.m. - Wednesdays Wednesday Choir Rehearsal - 7:30 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>
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<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: 9 a.m. in Sheffield; 11 a.m. in Ozona Every Second Sunday of the Month: Sun. Mass: 9 a.m. in Ozona; 11 a.m. in Sheffield Tues. - Sat. Mass: 6 p.m.</p>
<p>Calvary Baptist Church 601 Ave. I Pastor Dan E. Sledge Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Sunday Worship: 6 p.m. Wednesday Worship: 6 p.m.</p>	<p>Attend the Church of your choice this Sunday.</p>	
<p>New Beginnings Ozona "church...but different" 701 9th Street Pastor JC Cantu Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Wednesday: 7 p.m. www.newbeginningsozona.com</p>	<p>Apostolic Church 307 Santa Rosa St. Rev. Refugio Vega Sunday School: 3 p.m. Sunday Worship: 4 p.m. Tues & Thur. Service: 7:00 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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Lubbock state senator files bill to adjust football playoff system

LUBBOCK - Today, Senator Charles Perry filed SB 237 to limit the number of teams advancing to the playoffs from each University Interscholastic League (UIL) district to two teams.

"Current UIL rules allow 50 percent - 74 percent of football teams to make the playoffs," said Senator Charles Perry. "We have truly watered down competition to the point that 0-10 and 1-9 teams are able to make the playoffs in some districts."

Earlier this year, a school in Houston made Texas history by becoming the first winless team to advance to the



CHARLES PERRY

playoffs. "This is not only devalues the hard work of the first and second place teams in a district, but it costs our school districts thousands of dollars that could be spent in the classroom," continued Perry. "The cost is especially high in rural areas. Some schools in my district are spending an upwards of \$8,000 per playoff game." Costs often go beyond the

football team to include the band, cheerleaders and other support organizations. Depending on the distance traveled costs can include travel, food and lodging.

Fifty-six percent of the 1,209 Texas high school football teams made it to the playoffs this last year.

Under Perry's bill, 384 teams would have still been playoff eligible or roughly 32 percent.

"I have fond memories of playing high school football. My coaches served as role models, teaching me valuable life lessons and instilling in me a desire to succeed," Perry

added. "It is my hope that this bill will help us celebrate triumph, give school districts more flexibility with their budgets and reduce the burden on families during the holiday season."

Due to how playoff systems are structured, Perry's bill would only affect traditional team sports such as football, baseball, volleyball and basketball.

If you have any questions or comments about this bill or any of Senator Perry's legislative agenda, call Travis McCormick at (512) 463-0128 or Travis.McCormick@senate.state.tx.us.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

SETH CHILDRESS killed this buck on his family's ranch in Crockett County. He is the son of Vicki and Martin Childress, of Ozona.

Rehab Telethon Jan. 17

BY JUSTIN M. DELOACH
WEST TEXAS REHAB

Crockett County and surrounding community residents have an opportunity between now and midnight on Jan. 17 to help West Texas Rehabilitation Center by making a gift to Rehab 2015, the Center's 45th annual Telethon.

Volunteers from the Ozona Women's League are spearheading local solicitation efforts in Ozona and are conducting an advanced mail campaign as well as working the phones asking businesses and individuals to make donations to the Rehab Center.

"We hope our families and friends will ring the phones during the Telethon," said Colbey Bunger,

"because Rehab makes a difference in the lives of many area residents and this is a way we can all do our part."

Contributions may be given by returning gifts to your local Phone Coordinator, dropping them by the Rehab Center or by calling the Rehab Center at (325) 223-6414.

The telethon will be carried by 10 state-wide television stations, including KLST in San Angelo and KTAB in Abilene.

The show also will be streaming live at www.WestTexasRehab.org.

Popular country star Neal McCoy will be joined on stage at the Abilene Civic Center by host Charlie Chase of the Nashville network as well as Texas legend Red Steagall and the Boys in the

Bunkhouse, Bill and Susan Hayes, Brad Maule and Twyla Foreman.

Suddenlink Communications is the official sponsor of the five-hour telecast and Edward Jones/Gary and Connie Decker is on board as the new toteboard sponsor. NTS Communications provides support for the auction of merchandise and services and Hilton Garden Inn is the host hotel.

In addition to entertainment, the live production showcases the services of the Rehab Center which annually provides care daily to more than 500 children and adults with disabilities and communication disorders at facilities in Abilene, San Angelo and Ozona.

Also, Rehab 2015's auction will include approxi-

mately 350 items donated by businesses and individuals ranging from agricultural products and home improvement items to collectibles and sports/travel packages.

Interested persons may bid online at www.WestTexasRehab.org beginning right after Christmas or by phone on Jan. 17.

"The telethon is a critical fund-raiser for the Rehab Center because we count on it to launch the New Year in a good position to meet the needs of those we'll serve in the next 12 months," said WTRC President Woody Gililand. "That's why we're so grateful to local volunteers staffing phone banks ... why every advance gift and every pledge called in during the show are so deeply appreciated."

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TxDOT hosting public workshop to meet needs of seniors, people with disabilities

BY PAULA D. SUMMERLIN
TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

SAN ANGELO — In an effort to better serve the state's seniors and disabled citizens, the Texas Department of Transportation is hosting a workshop to inform the public and gather input on the growing transportation needs of local communities. TxDOT's federally-funded Enhanced Services for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program (5310) serves communities with 200,000 people or less.

The program's workshops are intended to inform citizens of the availability of cost-effective, efficient passenger transportation services, as well as gather comments from these citizens on what services are needed.

The public and media are encouraged to attend the following workshop at 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 19, at the Concho Valley Transit District Terminal Conference Room at 510 N. Chadbourne in San Angelo.

TEXAS PECOS TRAIL NEWS

Region grants available

BY SCOTT JORDAN
TEXAS PECOS TRAIL

The Pecos Trail Region has continued its small grants program for FY2015. Available for eligible heritage tourism projects, programs, and events, these grants are designed to promote public awareness of the history of our region, encourage community involvement, and enhance the visitor experience.

Grants are up to \$1,000 with a 1-to-1 match. Types of eligible projects include print materials and publications, exhibit development, website development, interpretive or way-finding signage, educational programs for the general public, and workshops to develop heritage tourism.

Projects not considered

are "bricks and mortar" projects or capital improvements, operating expenses, advertising, political or religious advocacy, or for groups without official status.

An eligible applicant must be a 501(c)(3), 501(c)(6), or government entity.

The project must take place within the Pecos Trail Region (with few exceptions) and be open to the general public.

We ask that you submit the application at least three months prior to the event or project start date to allow time for us to review, approve, and award the grant.

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THE JV LADY LIONS BROUGHT HOME THE SECOND PLACE PLAQUE FROM THE SONORA BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT HELD LAST WEEKEND.

JV Lady Lions second at Sonora

The JV Lady Lions placed second in the Sonora Tournament over the weekend. In their first game, Ozona lost to Lake View JV 28-

24. High points: Zephen Cuevas 14 and Julie Marshall 4. In the second game, Ozona defeated Iraan JV 43-19. High points: Zephen Cuevas

19 and Dacie Taylor 8. In the third game, Ozona defeated Sonora JV 41-27. High points: Zephen Cuevas 19 and Dacie Taylor 8.

In the final game, Ozona lost to Llano JV 28-17. High points: Zephen Cuevas 6 and Aurora Collett 5.



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN

ZEPHAN CUEVAS DRIVES THE BALL DOWN THE COURT for the JV Lady Lions in the Sonora Basketball Tournament last weekend.



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN

DACIE TAYLOR SURVEYS HER OPTIONS during the JV Lady Lions game against Iraan in last weekend's Sonora Basketball Tournament.



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN

THE VARSITY LADY LIONS competed at the Sonora Basketball Tournament held in Sonora last weekend.

Lady Lions compete in Sonora Tourney

The Ozona Lady Lions competed in the Sonora Tournament over the weekend. Ozona defeated Iraan 28-25. High points: Madison Childress 10, McKenna Moses 6, Asia Lara 5, Kristen Mendoza 5. Lady Lions lost to Nueces Canyon 40-15.

High points: Lara 5 and Childress 3. Ozona defeated Reagan County 37-19. High points: Lara 17, Galindo 11, Childress 5. Lady Lions lost to Brackett 34-26. High points: Childress 5, Galindo 4, Moses 4 and Estefania Torralba 4. "The girls really played

great as a team to close the tournament versus Iraan. The Lady Lions' defense was outstanding. They struggled at times on offense, but made clutch free throws and plays to win game. The girls have come a long way as a team," said Coach Lee Abbey. Ozona is 9-3 overall.



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN

TOMMY FAY SCORED ELEVEN POINTS in the varsity Lions game against Rocksprings during the Sonora Basketball Tournament held last weekend.

Lions compete in Sonora Tournament

The Ozona Lions competed in the Sonora Tournament over the weekend. Lions lost to Nueces Canyon 33-31. High Points: Jose Ojeda 10; Kalen Perez 9; Bryce Gutierrez 8. Ozona lost to Christoval 47-17. High Points: Ojeda 11.

Ozona lost to Rocksprings 56-48. High points: Ryan Porras 15; Tommy Fay 11; Ojeda 8; Johnny Venegas 8. The Lions also lost to Rocksprings, 44-36, on Dec. 9. High points: Ryan Porras 13, Venegas 6, Kalen Perez 5. Ozona is 1-9 overall.

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Band Christmas Concert Dec. 18

The OMS and OHS Bands will hold their annual Christmas Concert at 6 p.m. Dec. 18 at the Crockett County Fair Park Convention Center.

Everyone is invited to attend. OHS Band Director Chans Moellendorf said he is working on a surprise guest making an appearance.

Methodist Church Children's Pageant

The Ozona United Methodist Church will host their Children's Christmas Pageant at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 21, in the fellowship hall.

Everyone is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Toys for Tots campaign

Toys for Tots donation boxes are available at Ozona Mercantile, Dollar General, The General Store, Ozona Volunteer Fire Department and Ozona National Bank. A money donation container is at Sonic, and an account has been set up at Ozona National Bank.

Volunteers will also be collecting toys and donations this Saturday from 10 a.m.-noon at the town square.

Toys will be delivered starting at 4 p.m. Dec. 21.

"This allows us time to make sure we have all children covered before the toys are delivered by Santa and the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department," said Frank Tambunga, coordinator. "I hope everyone that is able to help me out together we can put a smile on a child's face for Christmas," Tambunga said.



OZONA MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS COMPETED FOR ALL-REGION BAND HONORS on Dec. 12 in Kermit. They are: (front, left to right) Jacob Childress, Addie Nehus, Shellbie Rust and Ivana Hernandez. Back row: Humberto Torralba, Josh Knaack Manuel Torralba and Coulter McWilliams.

OMS All-Region Band

OMS Band Students competed at the All-Region Band on Dec. 12 at Kermit

Shellbie Rust, bass clarinet, first chair Class 3A Honor Band.

Humberto Torralba, trombone, 10th chair Honor Band.

Addie Nehus, trombone, 16th chair.

Ivana Hernandez, clarinet, first alternate.

Josh Knaack, clarinet,

26th chair.

Coulter McWilliams, percussion, 14th chair.

Jacob Childress, percussion, 17th chair.

Manuel Torralba, alto saxophone, 12th chair.

The students who earned a seat in the Region 6 3A Honor Band will have a clinic and concert next month at Stanton High School.

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Community Center Christmas Wish List

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Items they need include arts and crafts supplies, colored paper and white paper.

Also, any art project

items are welcomed.

Any of these items may be taken directly to the Ozona Community Center or to the Ozona United Methodist Church.

Early dismissal Friday for school holiday break

Ozona Schools will dismiss at noon Friday, Dec. 19, for the holiday break.

Ozona Schools will be closed Dec. 20 - Jan. 2 for Christmas and New Year's holidays.

Youth Center Calendar of Events

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DPS offers tips to avoid vehicle theft

AUSTIN - The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is reminding Texans that the holiday season can be a prime time for vehicle thefts and is encouraging individuals to take necessary precautions to protect their vehicles from possible theft. Burglaries of vehicles are also a concern during the entire holiday season.

"DPS is urging Texans to make sure their vehicles and belongings are secure in order to ward off possible thefts and burglaries during the holidays," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "December is one of the busiest months for auto thefts, and during this holiday shopping season, it is important that any valuables in a vehicle are out of sight."

In December 2013, 5,395 automobiles, pickups and motorcycles were recorded stolen, making it the third-highest month for vehicle thefts that year behind July and August. In addition, more than 13,100 vehicle burglaries were reported and \$12.2 million in property stolen last December.

DPS offers the following tips that Texans can follow to help guard against vehicle theft:

- Never leave your car running unattended, even for

a quick visit to a business or store.

- Never leave keys in the car or ignition, inside a locked garage, or in hide-a-key boxes.

- Always roll up your windows and lock the car, even if it is parked at your home.

- When possible, always park in high-traffic, well-lighted areas.

- Install an anti-theft device that locks the steering wheel, column or brakes, especially if your vehicle is considered to be at increased risk for theft.

- Never leave personal documents, vehicle ownership title or credit cards in your vehicle.

- Always keep valuables or property hidden out of sight or locked in the trunk.

If your vehicle is stolen, report it to the police immediately. DPS also encourages individuals to keep a copy of their license plate and vehicle identification number on hand in case of theft, since police will need this information to take a report.

For more information about auto thefts and burglary, see <http://www.txdmv.gov/motorists/consumer-protection/auto-theft-prevention>.

New canine teams join DPS

AUSTIN - The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) has graduated four troopers and canines from an eight-week training program. These canine teams will join 44 other DPS teams stationed throughout Texas, including six explosive-detection teams stationed in Austin.

"The DPS canine program is a powerful law enforcement tool responsible for detecting and keeping ton quantities of drugs off Texas streets," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "These specially trained troopers and dogs possess

precise skills and knowledge critical to protecting the state and keeping drugs out of our communities.

The four dogs were obtained from the U.S. Department of Defense and K-9 Officers, a non-profit organization.

This canine graduation class includes three German Shepherds and one Belgian Malinois. (Three additional dogs, which will replace retiring canines, also completed the program.) All the newly-trained dogs will be used for drug detection.

In 2013, DPS canine teams assisted in the seizure of approximately 14,470 pounds of marijuana, 455 pounds of cocaine, 16 pounds of heroin, 338 pounds of methamphetamine, 10 pounds of other drugs and \$6.2 million in cash.

CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crockett County Sheriff's Weekly Activity Report

Along with wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays, the Crockett County Sheriff's Department wants everyone to be aware this is the time of year for phone scams. Don't give out any personal information over the phone. Don't send money to anyone unless you are sure of the identity.

Monthly Status Report - November 2014	911 Wireless	272
Total Placed in Jail	11	Unavailable (abandoned or ghost calls) 53
Total Released	10	Total 911 Calls 348
Currently Incarcerated - Ozona	0	Actual 911 Calls 335
Currently housed outside county	16	Type of Calls
Housing Cost - Mitchell Co.	\$0	Livestock/wild/domestic animal complaints 3
Housing Cost - Upton Co.	\$19,350	911 medical/fire assistance 8
Housing Cost - Sutton Co.	\$6,228.17	Civil complaints 4
Housing Cost - Schleicher Co.	\$0	Civil documents served 2
Housing Cost - Pecos Co.	\$0	Criminal complaints/disturbances/loud noise 9
Total Housing Cost	\$25,578.17	Juvenile/School 1
Total Civil Papers	2	Motorist assist/locked vehicle 18
Civil Papers Served (state and out of county)	1	Reckless driving/speeding complaints 2
Total Unserved/Year	1	Minor/major traffic accidents 4
Total Fines Collected	\$269	Alarms 2
Total Civil Fines Collected	\$0	
Cash Bonds Collected	\$0	OFFENSE REPORTS/ARRESTS:
Bonding Fees Collected	\$45	12-11-14
Traffic Citations Issued	52	• Sheriff's deputy filed a report of vandalism of a local residence on Avenue C.
Illegal Aliens Held Overnight for Ins (BP)	0	• Sheriff's deputy took a report of theft from one of the vendor booths from the craft fair held at the Civic Center.
Inmates Transported	3	
911 Calls	335	
911 Landline	23	

ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT

NOVEMBER 2014		
Animal related contacts	67	Animal disposal 12
Impounded dogs	10	Animal traps set 16
Animal Bite investigations	1 (dog)	Wildlife caught 1 (bat)
Owner surrenders	2	Dangerous animal reports 2
Number of animals surrendered	3	Written warning citations 7
Impounded cats	19	Written citations 8
Destroyed animals	25	Welfare checks 7
Livestock calls	2 (goats)	Call Ozona Animal Control at 392-3676

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up 11.4 percent compared to December 2013, Combs added.

SCHOOL RATINGS RELEASED

Texas Education Agency on Dec. 3 announced its release of the final 2014 state accountability system ratings for more than 1,200 school districts and charters and more than 8,500 campuses.

Final ratings are issued following an appeals process provided to districts and charters that contested the district or campus ratings originally announced in August, TEA explained.

Final 2014 ratings show 90.2 percent of the state's 949 school districts and 158 charters achieved the rating of "Met Standard."

ALERT: LOCK YOUR VEHICLE

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holiday shopping season, it is important that any valuables in a vehicle are out of sight."

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PERMIT PROCESS SPEEDS UP

Texas Railroad Commission on Dec. 11 announced its Information Technology Modernization Program is making the process for granting oil and gas drilling permits faster.

"Expedited permit processing was reduced from a peak of 30 days experienced with a surge in industry activity in the spring of this year to a one-day processing rate in November," according to the petroleum-regulating agency.

Commissioner David Porter said that in addition to the improved technology, the agency has hired additional temporary staff "to help meet the demands of the rising drilling permit applications and to assist our hardworking permanent staff."

Last Puzzle Solution

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ACROSS

- TXism: "take a ___ off" (sit)
- this vampire writer Rice lived in TX
- seat of Oldham Co.
- TXism: "camps out in the ___ corner" (religious)
- this Farley founded Boys Ranch near 6-across
- where Rangers play the Blue Jays in Canada (2 wds.)
- birds at Bentsen Valley State Park
- TXism: "we're ___ to eye" (agree)
- TX Nolan has the record for ___-hitters
- "___ Want for Christmas is You" bumper sticker: "Foat Wuth, I ___ Yew"
- ex-Cowboy QB, Troy
- TXism: "he'd be unarmed in ___ wits" (obtuse)
- Chris ___Doux's first rodeo was in TX
- "Taco ___" has HQ in San Antonio
- what Cowboys can finally do with DeMarco Murray
- UT has 9 laureates of this Prize
- odd h.s. mascot in Knox Co. (2 wds.)
- this Field starred in TX-based "Places in the Heart"
- TX Johnny Horton's "Sink the ___" (1960)
- boot width
- this Warren was a great QB for Houston Oilers
- TXism: "take a ___" (investigate)
- speedy Eric who played for Astros (1989-92)
- former gov., Richards
- TX Nesmith sang background on "___ a Believer"
- "___ Pa Kettle"
- Aikman's '93 shout: "___ to Disney World!"
- ___ Rock, TX
- Live ___ County
- TXism: "___ in the hole"
- Lake ___ Hubbard
- Port ___ TX
- ___ band
- Lufkin is the seat of this county
- TX singer and sausage maker, Jimmy
- TX-born guitarist & singer, Stills (init.)
- this TX George won the Medal of Honor in WWII
- TXism: "beller"
- Caddo Lake reptile: croco ___
- liver and ___
- British car co.
- Gulf snake/like fish
- TXism: "I'm ___ couldn't change my mind"
- Christmas festival: "Boar's Head and ___"
- TX Keyes who was Suellen O'Hara
- TX summer necessity (abbr.)
- TX Lyle Lovett sang "Here ___"
- Brownwood FM
- TXism: "___ at the mouth" (angry)
- TX Farrah's hair color
- Tibetan ox
- TX "___ Baird's"
- "monkey ___"
- ___ do"
- Muslim ruler
- TXism: "best I ever ___ eyes on"
- TX CBS newsmen, Rather
- J. Wright ___ killed a white buffalo near Snyder (1876)
- ___ mole dip

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