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CHILDREN hurriedly collect those eggs during Sunday's Community Easter Egg Hunt at the Swimming Pool Park. On behalf of the Knights of Columbus, they would like to say thank you to all that donated and assisted with the Community Easter Egg Hunt, especially the Crockett County Road Department for their assistance in preparing the park for the event.

Relay For Life Friday

Crockett County Relay For Life will be Friday, April 10, and Saturday, April 11, from 7 p.m.-2 a.m. at Lion Stadium.

The event is open to the public and will feature activities, entertainment and

Teams can start setting

up after 2 p.m. Friday. Schedule of events:

- · 6:15 p.m. team captain/committee meeting at the concession stand.
- · 6:30 p.m. Survivor Reception in front of the concession stand.
- · 7-7:30 p.m. Opening Ceremony with the survivor and caregiver lap. Invocation by John Curry, National Anthem by Romaldo Cervantes, Flag Raising Ceremony by Ozona Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts and Texas International Junior Miss Lone Star Junior Princess Khloe Noelke.
 - · 7:30-7:45 p.m. Introduction of Teams
- · 7:45 p.m. Relay Heroes Lap. Introduce the winning class in the Relay Penny War Fund-raiser from Ozona Elementary and Ozona Middle School. The Ozona Volunteer Fire Department will be recognized for their involvement and support of Relay For Life. · 8 p.m. - Mr. and Mrs. Relay Contest 70s theme.
 - \cdot 8:15 p.m. Princess and Super Hero Contest for
- ages 6 and under; Macarena theme lap.
 - · 8:30 p.m. Zumba with Isabel Geary
- · 8:45 p.m. Crazy Hat lap; Silent Auction Opens, bring sweet and sour homemade items.
- 9 p.m. Luminaria Ceremony. Luminarias can be purchased for a \$5 donation in honor or memory of someone at the Crockett County Public Library, The Ozona Stockman, several other local businesses or by calling Megan Nowell, Luminaria Chair, at (325) 277-
- · 10 p.m. G.I. Joe lap for all active military and
- · 10:15 p.m. Field Games Begin, Relay Sack Race and Ping Pong Ball Relay. Live music by Aaron Pearl.
- · 10:30 p.m. Zumba, backwards lap and homemade hot sauce judging contest.
- · 10:45 p.m. Field Games, three-legged race and ladder golf. Chicken Dance lap.
 - · 11:15 p.m. Zumba and Leap Frog Lap.
 - · 11:30 p.m. Road to Recovery Race. Each team

PLEASE SEE **GUNS**, PAGE 8

DeerFest named Business of the Year

BY SHANON BIGGERSTAFF CHAMBER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Ozona Chamber of Commerce held its 52nd Annual Chamber of Commerce banquet on April 2 at the Crockett County Civic Center.

Guests enjoyed a buffet meal catered by Chamber member Kenny Blanek's Café Village & Catering.

Invocation was given by Commissioner Frank Tam-

The program began with Chairman of the Board, Paige Tambunga, giving a welcome and introducing the Chamber of Commerce Executive Committee, Board of Directors and staff.

"We thank you all for returning the surveys sent to you, and were very pleased to see that based on your responses, that our Chamber membership is happy with



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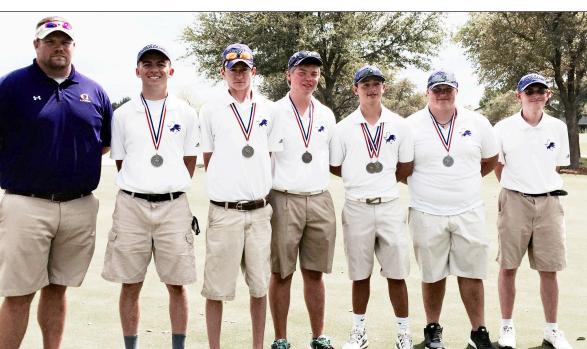
THE CROCKETT COUNTY DEERFEST ASSOCIATION was honored as the Business of the Year during the Ozona Chamber of Commerce's annual Banquet on April 2 at the Civic Center. Pictured are: (left to right) Martin Childress, Michael Mitchell, Kody and Kelsey Kubala, Helena Scherr and Jimmy Nowell.

of you for your input, ideas bers to take advantage of the and suggestions," Paige said. Paige reviewed a number

the services and benefits be- of Chamber member beneing offered. We thank each fits and encouraged mem-

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Lions second in district



THE OHS LIONS GOLF TEAM placed second at the District 8-AA Golf Tournament Monday in San Angelo. Hunter Smith is the district champion. Pictured are: (left to right) Coach Mitch Kay, Alex Hopper, Michael Hill, Dalan Wilson, Hunter Smith, Zack Taylor and Everett Raymond.

Smith district champion, regional meet next week

The OHS Lions Golf Team compete in the Region I Meet placed second in the District March 15-16 in Odessa. 8-AA Golf Tournament Monday in San Angelo.

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Individually, Hunter Smith is the district champion shoot-The team placed second ing an 82 in the first round

Alex Hopper shot an 88 and a 90; Michael Hill 94 and 98; Zack Taylor 122 and 114 and Dalan Wilson 109 and 104. Also competing for the Lions was Everett Raymond.

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Two tax cuts, but only one with a sales pitch

round of the Legislature's biennial budget dance almost complete, the Senate has made its ideas for state finance — particularly when it comes to tax cuts much clearer than whatever the House is thinking.

In a series of press conferences and committee hearings, Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick and various senators have laid out their plans to increase homestead exemptions, giving the average homeowner something like \$206 in relief each year.

They want to increase the size of companies that are exempted from the state's franchise tax, roughly cutting in half the number of companies that pay that unpopular levy.

The House has been a lot quieter. There are some ideas in the works, but the marketing — selling this to the public — all seems to be on the Senate's end of the Capitol.

The House has finished its budget, which is on its way to the Senate. That chamber will approve its own version in the next few days, and then the reconciliation grind will be underway. Tax cuts might be one of the biggest differences.

It's easy to reduce budget debates to the hot spots like the House's salacious and titillating dialogue over funding for programs that promote abstinence and prevent HIV. or the agreements to pull back from what had shaped up as a big vote on public funding for private schools, or about whether the state should allow the children of undocumented immigrants to pay the lower tuition rates for in-state students at Texas colleges and

universities. All of that is important. But so are some things that were barely noticed at all, like the \$2 billion that got put on a high shelf out of everybody's reach as this week's 17-hour House debate on the budget churned along.

That money, House Appropriations Chairman John Otto told his colleagues, is for tax cuts. But it's not enough money to make the same tax cuts contemplated by the Senate, which wants to set aside \$2.5 billion or so to pay for those higher homestead exemptions from property taxes.

The Senate's tax cut plan costs money — its proposed reductions in property taxes count against the



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ANALYSIS ROSS RAMSEY from growing faster than the state economy. That's because the state gov-

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ernment does not levy property taxes — local

governments do. Cutting a local tax — school property taxes, for instance — often means the state is asking another government to lower its tax and assuring that local government that the state will make up the lost revenue. In the case of property taxes for schools, the state is actually spending money because it has to write that make-up check.

Cutting state taxes doesn't count as spending. When it cuts its own taxes, the state isn't sending money out, but reducing the amount coming in. The state no longer gets that money, and can't spend it. Here's the part that's important to the budgetwriters: Cuts in state taxes don't count toward the

spending cap. The Senate proposed getting around this by changing the calculation of the spending cap. Their out? To ask voters to exclude money spent on tax cuts and debt reduction from the spending calculation.

The House wants to look at cutting state taxes and then using some of the money that Otto hid on the shelf for other things, like public education. That's one way to stay under the spending cap, cut taxes and increase spending on education. It might even lower property taxes; school districts have had to raise their taxes, in part, in response to state budget cuts. If the state spends more, there will be less pressure.

The Senate's plan — lower taxes for business, higher homestead exemptions and a constitutional amendment that throws a golden bone to

the Realtors — is pretty clear. That's the plan getting attention, because the Senate is talking publicly about its ideas. The House? Not yet.

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Complexification

Currently there are eight saddles in my house and a couple more in my shop. Sadly, these aren't saddles I won team roping but very old saddles from the late 19th century. Apart from two sidesaddles I own there is very little difference between the 135 year old saddles and one you might ride today.

Clearly, in a world full of change the American saddle has not kept pace. That's one reason why when modern cowboys go to check the cows and say they're going to get their "Mule", it's not one of the longearred variety.

One of the reasons people are opting for ATV's instead of horses is all the accessories they have that horses don't have.

About the only modern feature on today's saddles is the cupholder right behind the saddle horn for your cup of Starbucks. That is what it's for, right? Clearly saddles could use a major makeover and today it's all about accessorizing, options and addons. More folks might choose the horse over the ATV if their saddles offered a jack to recharge their cell phone and if saddles and horses became Wi-Fi hot spots.

It's all about social media and staying connected and I'm quite sure a saddle that could take verbal instructions, Facebook, text and Tweet would sell well. And who wouldn't want a GPS on your saddle so you'd never get lost? Just think, if you had a high definition TV on your saddle connected to a drone you could see where all your cows were hiding.

To compete with the ATV's, every saddle maker should offer options like shock



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comfortable saddle that is more like a Lazy Boy recliner with stirrups. There should be heat warmers in your taps and in your seat to warm

absorbers, springs, or air seats like truckers sit

on. I'm talking an ultra-

you up on a cold winter's day. Other options might include rear view mirrors, parking brakes, a relief tube, gun rack for multiple guns and a 5,000 pound winch behind the cantle for pulling cows out of bog

holes. A dashboard would be handy too for throwing all your junk on.

Your saddle should also measure your heart rate, temperature and blood pressure and automatically enter you in the next team roping. To compete with ATV's every saddle should have compartments for carrying your fishing pole and a refrigerator for vaccines and beer. Would a microwave run on the methane produced by your horse be too much to ask? With all these options you'd hardly ever need to get off

To protect you and your loved-ones how about an ejection seat in your saddle? Instead of being bucked violently on to a pile of rocks you'd be shot so high there'd be plenty of time for your parachute to envisioning stirrups that automatically dial

911, the morgue or request a helicopter life flight when you fall and get hung up with your foot in a stirrup. And we might as well put seat belts and shoulder harnesses on saddles now before Obama's regulators make them mandatory.

There should be a real horn on saddles so you can call the cows to fool them into thinking they're going to get fed. Kids would like to ride more if the learning curve wasn't so steep so why not joysticks or steering wheels connected to your bit? This would mean horse-loving women wouldn't have to attend clinics to learn how to ride better and they could stay home and do their chores.

I'm also envisioning lots of LED lights on saddles. What good does it do to win a USTRC roping in Oklahoma City if your leg covers up the documentation on the fender. If your championship was written in blinking LED lights instead of being just carved in leather everyone would know of your accomplishment.

Simplicity is out and complexification is in, so we need to take a page from the computer industry and sell planned obsolescence, software updates and expensive protection plans.

Just think, with everyone wanting the latest version, new life will be breathed into saddle shops and leather workers like myself will become billionaires as saddles become newer, bigger, uglier and far more difficult to operate.

These days, that's a sure fire formula for

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Texas House passes state budget after 17-hour debate

STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling | Texas Press Association

AUSTIN — After 17 hours of floor debate and hundreds of amendments considered, the Texas House of Representatives on April 1 passed House Bill 1, a state budget for fiscal years 2016 and 2017 that appropriates \$209.8 billion.

The vote was 141 in favor to 5 against, with nay votes cast by Reps. David Simpson, R-Longview; Matt Schaefer, R-Tyler; freshman Matt Rinaldi, R-Irving; freshman Tony Tinderholt, R-Arlington; and freshman Molly White, R-Belton.

The House version of the state budget, a 3.8 percent increase over the current 2014-2015 state budget, draws no funds from the Economic Stabilization ("rainy day") Fund. Senate concurrence with the HB 1 is necessary for the state budget to be finally adopted. SB 2, the Senate version of 2016-2017 state budget, has been pending in the Senate Finance Committee since March 25.

On April 1, on a vote of 148-0, the House also passed HB 2, supplemental appropriations and funding adjustments for various state agencies. Notably, the legislation, in addition to amounts previously appropriated for 2014-2015, appropriates some \$768 million out of the general revenue fund to the Teacher Retirement System to prevent the impending insolvency of the state agency's TRS-Care health care fund.

House Appropriations Committee Chair John Otto, R-Dayton, the primary author of HB 1 and HB 2, stood true to his Feb. 25 House floor announcement, in which he said the House would fully fund health care for retired public school employees and their dependents.

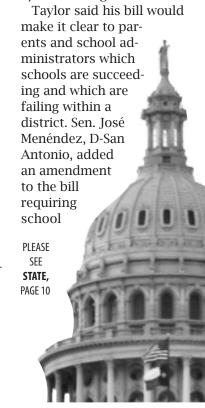
> **BILLS GAIN SENATE APPROVAL**

SB 20 by Senate Finance Chair Jane Nelson, R-Flower Mound, would amend the rules state agencies must obey in making contracts with private sector vendors.

Nelson's bill would: require the creation of a centralized clearinghouse at the Office of Comptroller to keep a record of all contracts signed by state agencies; require state agencies to post active contracts and proposed contracts on their state website; require state agencies to keep documentation relating to a contract for four years after it ends; and require state agency heads to personally sign off on all contracts worth more than one million dollars.

SB 6 by Sen. Larry Taylor, R-Galveston, would remold the current system used to rate schools in terms ranging from "exemplary" to "unac-

ceptable" and replace it with an "A" through "F" rating system to begin in 2017.



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THE TEXAS TECH TRAP AND SKEET placed 11th overall at the 47th annual ACUI Collegiate Clay Target Championships on March 24-29. The team features Sierra Stokes (front center) from Ozona.

Tech Trap and Skeet places at ACUI Championships

Texas Tech University students competed at the 47th Annual ACUI Collegiate Clay Target Championships on March 24-29, 2015 hosted by the National Shooting Complex in San Antonio.

Thirteen Texas Tech students competed in the event along with 62 other schools from across the nation.

This recently formed club, Tech Trap and Skeet, came in 11th place overall, sixth in American Skeet, ninth in International Skeet and sixth in Modified Trap.

Sierra Stokes competed for Texas Tech University, shooting seven different events for a total of 625 targets. Sierra qualified to participate in the Invitational International Shoot out which kicked off this shoot.

She was invited to participate in this event because she placed first at the Mid-West International Conference Shoot in October. Only 12 shooters from the Nation were invited. Sierra Stokes and Bradley Laxson, both of TTU, shot in the International (Olympic) Bunker Trap portion, with Bradley placing fourth. Courtney Freeman (TTU) shot in the International (Olympic) Skeet portion and won 2nd place. The other six events counted towards the high overall awards. Sierra shot a 30 of 50 in 5-Stand, 76 of 100 in Sporting Clays, 62 of 100 International Skeet, 89 of 100 in Modified Trap for 3rd place, 95 of 100 in American Skeet, and a 97 of 100 in American Trap. Sierra's final score was 449 and earned her the seventh place spot in the Nation at her first Collegiate National Shoot. Of the top 10 shooters, six of the girls were from Texas, shooting for Texas A&M, Schreiner University, Tarleton State University, and Texas

Tech University. Tech Trap and Skeet plans to grow their program and continue to strive for success in the team competition as well as the individual competition of the ACUI Shooting Sports events. Sierra will be taking over as president of Tech Trap and Skeet after the current spring semester.

The 2015 All Class Reunion will be held July 4, 2015.

Schedule of events: Friday - Left open for individual class gatherings Saturday

· 8 a.m. Annual GI Joe Run

· 9 a.m. Reunion Registration at the Convention Center \$15 per person

· 10 a.m. - Tour of Ozona Schools (Meet at Ozona Elementary School)

· Noon - 7 p.m. - Park Activities in the Town Food Booths, Square, Games, Entertainment, etc.

· 8 p.m. - Fourth of July Parade

· 9 p.m. (dark) - Fourth of July Fireworks Display

Reunion Dance at the Convention Center, 8 p.m. - midnight. Cost is \$20 per person or \$35 per couple; tables of eight may be reserved in advance. Performing will be Chris Story and the Southern Edge Band.

Anyone that wants to be a contact person for their class, or is part of the classes of 80-84 and wants to help with the reunion, call Bobby Jack Maness at (325) 277-7231.

Wednesday, April 8

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

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

• Prayer Group, 3 p.m. at the Senior Center. • Fellowship of Christian Athletes, 7 p.m. at the high school.

Thursday, April 9

- OHS Tennis at the District Meet in San Angelo.
- Balance Exercise, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Quilting, 9:30 a.m. at the Senior Center. • Movies, 2 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- OMS Track at the District Meet, 4 p.m. in Iraan.

Friday, April 10

- End of the 5th Six Weeks at Ozona Schools.
- OHS Tennis at the District Meet in San Angelo.
- Exercise Class, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center • OHS Baseball vs. Johnson City, 4:30 p.m. at Johnson City.
- OHS Softball vs. Miles, 5 p.m. at Miles.
- Relay For Life, 7 p.m. at Lion Stadium.

Saturday, April 11

Monday, April 13 • Exercise Class, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.

• OMS Math and Science Team at the TMSCA State Meet in San Antonio.

- Crockett County Commissioners Court meeting, 9 a.m. at the courthouse annex.
- Bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Tuesday, April 14

- Balance exercises, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- OHS Baseball vs. Menard, 6 p.m. at OHS Baseball Field. • OHS Softball vs. Menard, 5 p.m. at the OHS Softball Field.

Wednesday, April 15

- OHS Golf Team at the Region I Meet in Odessa.
- Exercise Class, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Prayer Group, 3 p.m. at the Senior Center. CCCCSD School Board meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Building.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

April 8 - Marijah Tambunga-Ayala, Patty Villarreal, Marijah T. Ayala, Matthew Payne, Ben Badillo, Adam J. Martinez, Joe Patrick Borrego and Dawn Wilha

April 9 - Toby Perez, Christie Pena, Maleigha McDowell, Layne English, Amber Nicole Moran, David Landin Sr., Karen Bishop and Lisa Talamantez.

April 10 - Barbara Meador, Craig Deaton, Randy Upham, E.A. Wadsworth, Chiquita De-Hoyos, Miky Savala, Lazarae Lorena Rodriguez, Alma Perez and Nila Kellev

April 11 - Autumn Villarreal, Hailey Vargas, Haley Forehand, Aiden Aiguier, Emily Marie Rodriquez, Weldon Nicks, Rachel Ybarra, June Knox Abbott and Michael Gonzalez

April 12 - Eddie Stewart, Blanca Castro, Glenna Burns, Zella Ruthardt, Ethan Dennis and Edward Gutierrez

April 13 - Cynthia Garcia, Melissa Miller Garza, Cecilia Longoria, Mickey Leija, John Tom Tijerina, Lupe Galvan and Ann Stapper

April 14 - G.L. Bunger, Cindy Harrison, Fred Deaton, David Lott, Randy Crawford, Mariano Urbina and Alfonso Ramirez III

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month

During the month of April, The Children's Advocacy Center (CAC) and other programs across the nation will be raising awareness for Child Abuse Prevention. Child abuse and neglect is a problem of epidemic proportion but it is preventable.

In 2014, there were 583 confirmed cases of child abuse and neglect in Tom Green County. In Texas:

- · 182 children will be victims of abuse today
- · 7 children are maltreat-

ed every hour · Only 1 in 10 children tell someone about their abuse

· 90 percent of the time, children are abused by someone they know

Child abuse prevention is a community responsibility and the CAC has activities planned for the month of April to engage the community to stand up to child abuse. Join the movement against child abuse and help the CAC end the cycle of abuse.

· Pinwheel Ceremony -Tuesday, April 14, at on on the Tom Green County Courthouse steps. Be present, wear blue and stand up for the 583 children that suffered abuse and neglect in 2014.

Those in attendance will experience the powerful emotion of standing up for children. After a group photograph on the Courthouse steps, Judge Stephen Floyd will address the crowd and share inspiring words about child abuse prevention.

"Go Blue Friday" - Every Friday during April, show your support by wearing blue! Blue is the national color for child abuse awareness. Email pictures of your office "going blue" to leann@cactomgreen.org. Pictures will be posted on Facebook and

· Picnic in the Park - Sunday, April 19, from 2-4 p.m. at Kirby Park in San Angelo. This is a free event sponsored by CAC to promote healthy and nurturing families with games, music, food

and fun. Awareness and education are paramount to preventing child abuse. If you suspect abuse, call the Child Abuse Hotline 1-800-252-5400 or call 911 if you believe the child is in immediate danger.

The Children's Advocacy Center of Tom Green County, Inc. strives to prevent child abuse and neglect and secure for each child a safe and nurturing home through four programs: Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), Hope House, Family Enrichment Services and Child Fatality Review Team.

For more information, please contact Leann Hubert at (325) 653-4673 or http:// www.cactomgreen.org

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will build a "race car" to compete. Four members are required. "Car" will travel from one end to tag second set of drivers, who will return car to starting point, then back to other end. Original "drivers" will drive car back to starting point. First car to arrive with first set of drivers wins! Teams need to make their cars out of cardboard. Remember to make the car big enough to hold two people at a time. Awards presented for best decorated car and fastest

· 11:45 p.m. - Teams collect money to turn into accounting crew. Everyone on

the track lap. Midnight - All minors must leave the stadium unless accompanied at all times by a parent. Recognize teams, volunteers, donors and sponsors. Breakfast by the Knights of Columbus.

- 12:15 a.m. Hokey Pokey lap and Silent Auction
- · 12:30 a.m. Daredevil lap (guide your blindfolded partner around the track).
- · 1 a.m. Zumba · 1:30 a.m. - Everyone on

· 2 a.m. - Closing Cere-

Teams can still register to be part of Crockett County Relay For Life.

more information, call Shelly Childress at (325) 277-5381, Facebook at www.facebook.com/CrockettCountyRelayForLife or online at http://www.relavforlife.org/crockettcotx.

Bridal Selections have been made by: Paige Tambunga, bride-elect of Bryan Skehan Mrs. Jacob Mobley, née Lauren Van Shoubrouek



Join us on the track Friday! 2015 Crockett County Relay For Life **RELAY**



Society

7 p.m.-2 a.m. Friday, April 10, & Saturday, April 11, at Lion Stadium www.relayforlife.org/crockettcotx

"If your heart's where it needs to be, it shouldn't matter where you Relay."





HELPING HANDS NEWS

Helping Hands is in need of volunteers to deliver meals to the elderly. If you have some time, or need some community service for school, come by or call (325) 392-5026.

APRIL 8

·Smothered pork chop, rice pilaf, romaine salad with dressing, dinner roll and cinnamon apricots.

APRIL 9

·Cabbage patch stew, carrot coins, cornbread dressing, cherry dump cake and milk.

APRIL 10

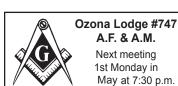
·Crunchy baked fish, spicy pinto beans, red and green coleslaw, hush puppies, tarter relish sauce and fruit cups.

APRIL 13

·Chili with beans, tangy coleslaw, whole wheat bread, ambrosia cup and milk.

APRIL 14

·Pork roast, cornbread dressing, brown gravy, Italian green beans, dinner roll, mandarin oranges and milk.





Former Ozona resident receives Spurs ring

Former Ozona resident, Dottie Gonzalez Fonseca recently a 2014 NBA Championship ring from the San Antonio Spurs.

Dottie has been employed, in a part-time capacity, with San Antonio Spurs Sports and Entertainment through their affiliate and part-owner, Aramark Sports and Entertainment, since 2002. Dottie is employed in the premium services department. In addition to Spurs games, other events held at the AT&T Center include WN-BA San Antonio Stars, American League Hockey San Antonio Rampage, concerts, rodeo, WWE, and many other sports and entertainment events.

Because Dottie worked in this arena, since 2002, she has actually witnessed four NBA championships; however, this is the first time, ever, that the Spurs have also included parttime staff in the awarding of championship rings.

An Employee Ring Ceremony was held in the AT&T Center, on Saturday, Dec. 13, 2014. The face of the ring features the Spurs logo and a championship trophy. The left side of the ring showcases the word "family" (as in Spurs Family) along with the NBA logo and the winning year 2014. The right side of



DOTTIE GONZALEZ FONSECA with her 2014 NBA Championship ring from the San Antonio Spurs.

the ring showcases the Spurs "Pounding the Rock" symbol.

"Growing up, watching the Atlanta Braves play on TV, I always knew that I wanted to work in professional sports. Always. And, now, I amazed that in addition to working in professional sports, I also have a championship ring. I am a blessed, blessed girl."

Dottie is a 1989 graduate of Ozona High School and a 1993 graduate of SuI Ross State University. Dottie earned her master's degree in 2005 from Texas A&M - Kingsville and her doctoral degree, also from Texas A&M

judge in the San Antonio area.

Dottie is the daughter of

- Kingsville, in 2009. In addition to her parttime work, Dottie is currently the 12th grade counselor at Southside High School in San Antonio, Texas. Dottie also serves as a cheerleading

Mari Longoria and Manuel Torres. Dottie is the sister of Butch Gonzalez.



OLPH YOUTH would like to thank sponsors NatGas for the grill, James Talamantez for the iPad and Triple C Hardware & Lumber for the Pelican Cooler. They would also like to thank the community for supporting their raffle. OLPH Youth is raising money to go to Stevenvill West in Tucsan, Ariz. in July. All continued support is greatly appreciated. Thank you and God Bless. Winners were first prize Luis Fierro (grill), second prize Petra Hernandez (mini iPad) and third Rita Vasquez (cooler).

WITHDR AWA L

I decided enough is enough. I went on a diet or should say I am trying to modify the way I eat. I tried to eat lightly the first day and no problem. But that night the hunger pains hit and it was as if my body was saying feed me, feed me. I resisted but not without a battle. The next day was even worse. I started dreaming about food and oh how I wanted to give in and pig out. Yes, I had a slight headache but I knew that if I gave in I would never be victorious. My struggle with my eating habits reminded me of a problem that Christians face. We are told to bring our appetites and desires under control (Ephesians 4:17-19). We are told to live in a way that pleases God (2 Corinthians 5:15,). It will or may be contrary to what feels or seems fun and natural to us (Ephesians 2:1-3, 1 Peter 4:3-5). It may be hard but it is not

See you in Church next Sunday.	ught to be able to help us (Luke 4:35-39).	Brother J
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Red Cross disaster training canceled

The American Red Cross has canceled their free disaster training on April 18, at the Ozona United Methodist Church.

They are planning on rescheduling the event in May.

For more information, call the American Red Cross at (830) 257-4677.

TEXAS GARDEN CLUBS INC. NEWS

District VIII Spring Convention

BY CHARLOTTE HARRELL TEXAS GARDEN CLUBS INC.

The Breckenridge and Stamford Garden Clubs hosted the Texas Garden Clubs District VIII Spring Convention March 26 and 27, 2015 at the beautiful Breckenridge Fine Arts Center.

Thirty-six garden club members were welcomed to Breckenridge by Tom Cyprian, Breckenridge City Commissioner.

Thursday evening members enjoyed dinner at Shawna's Bake Barn and inspirational speaker Judy Hart who spoke on a sunflowers theme. On Friday a box lunch was enjoyed by all.

District VIII Director Winnie Barclay of Breckenridge conducted the business meet-

New officers for 2015-2017 were installed by Marilyn Kieke: Mary Perkins, District Director; First Assistant Director, June Rogers; Second Assistant Director, Charlotte Harrell; Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Teeny Pearce; and Treasurer, Glenda Mueller. Winnie Barclay will assume the position of Parliamentarian.

Winnie Barclay nounced the TGC District VIII scholarship recipient, Leona June Barfield, who is attending Texas State Technical College in Breckenridge, studying Environmental Science Technology to work as a safety manager utilizing OSHA standards.

Charlotte Harrell proposed a plan to enhance the scholarship program by placing the fund with the San Angelo Area Foundation when sufficient funds are in hand.

The plan was well received, and it is hoped that the fund will be formally established by early fall.

Bob Swindle, a Breckenridge Garden Club member, presented an interesting program on Raised Beds/Container Gardening.

A fabulous raffle was held, and nearly everyone went home with one or more prizes, which were donated by the district's clubs.

Charlotte Harrell and Pamela Maresch represented the Ozona Garden Club at the convention.

OZONA SENIOR HAPPENINGS

Movies every Thursday

BY BRENDA NEWTON SENIOR CENTER DIRECTOR

I hope all of you had a wonderful Easter holiday. We spent the weekend at the lake in Del Rio and had a great time. If you missed an egg or two hidden behind the couch or under the bed, you will find it by the smell pretty soon.

That has happened at our house a few times in the past. The Easter Bunny hides the eggs the first time and the kids hide them again and again all day. It is fun for all. I hope you all let the little ones know what the reason for this holiday was.

This week's movie will be "Dead Poets Society" starring Robin Williams. "One of the most magnificent motion

pictures I've seen" said Gene Shalit on The Today Show. Come on out and enjoy yourself with popcorn puffs and drinks at 2 p.m. Thursday.

Remember that this building is for all citizens of Ozona that are 50 and over. Also remember that you can come to the center at night if you let me know when you

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

Monday - 1:30 p.m. Bridge Tuesday and Thursday -9 a.m. Balance Exercise

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Gallego seeking rematch with U.S. Rep. Hurd

BY ABBY LIVINGSTON TEXAS TRIBUNE

WASHINGTON - As expected, former U.S. Rep. Pete Gallego will seek to win back the congressional seat he lost to current U.S. Rep. Will Hurd.

Hurd, R-San Antonio, ousted Gallego, D-Alpine, by a 2-point margin in 2014. The race for the 23rd Congressional District is likely to be Texas' most exciting federal race in the fall of 2016, thanks to a lack of competitive House

"I'm confident in my strengths," Gallego said in a Thursday morning interview with The Tribune. "I'm prepared to jump any hurdle."

National Democrats began recruiting Gallego for the rematch immediately after he lost to Hurd in November. Gallego represented CD-23 for one term after serving for 22 years in the Texas House.

"I don't view that election in any way a reflection on me, and my performance as a member of Congress," Gallego said of the 2014 elec-

Instead, Gallego pointed to poor Democratic turnout in the midterm election, and noted that Hurd did not break the 50 percent threshold.

Josh Robinson, a consultant to Hurd, said Thursday that Hurd's focus is on his district. "Will is going to continue to do what he's been doing," Robinson said. "He's enjoying being in Congress, traveling the district and talking to the district's con-

stituents." Texas' CD-23 is one of the largest geographic House districts in the country, encompassing much of the southwestern part of the state. Over the last 10 years,



That half-million pay-

load reflects a significant

improvement in fundraising

for Hurd, and signals how

much easier it is for a sitting

officeholder to raise money.

By comparison, Hurd raised

\$116,000 in his first quarter

as a candidate in the 2014

ly serious about the seat.

Their U.S. House campaign

arm considers Texas's 23rd

District a top pick-up op-

portunity in the fall of 2016.

Democrats call Gallego a top

recruit and have been raring

for this fight since the begin-

voting record did not reflect

the competitive nature of the

district, and criticized the Re-

publican freshman for having

"abandoned his post on the

strengths," Gallego said in

a Thursday interview after

his announcement. "I'm pre-

was a better fit for the dis-

trict because of what he de-

scribed as his bipartisan ap-

proach, and noted that Hurd

was unable to break the 50

sultant, brushed off the an-

Robinson, the Hurd con-

percent threshold in 2014.

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He also argued that he

Small Business Committee."

Gallego argued Hurd's

ning of the year.

But Democrats are equal-

cycle.

it switched hands four times in that time span, with Democrats having had success in presidential elections and Republicans having the upper hand in most midterm votes.

Hurd, for his part, started his congressional career with a realistic outlook on the competitive nature of the district.

"Re-election has already started," Hurd told The Texas Tribune on his first day in the U.S. House in January. "I said this from the beginning, I came up here to do my job. And in two years, the residents get to judge me and grade my paper. "

National Republicans will be expected to fight hard to hold onto the seat. Hurd is one of only a handful of African-American Republicans in Congress, and the national GOP has made a concerted effort in recent years to reach out to minorities.

Hurd has raised over \$500,000 in his first quarter in Congress, according to an aide.

"Will Hurd has raised more in one quarter than career politician Pete Gallego was able to raise in the first two quarters when he was in Congress, which is a sign the district is behind Will Hurd." Robinson said.

nouncement: "Will is going to continue to do what he's been doing. ... He's enjoying being in Congress, traveling the district and talking to the district's constituents."

"But in last three months," Robinson added, "he's been able to do more than the congressmen who've represented it in the last decade, passing a balanced budget, providing seniors better access to health care and working to pass the Keystone pipeline, which will promote energy development in Texas's 23rd."

Gallego also said he is not worried about whether a Democratic primary challenger might emerge.

"You never know," he said. "I'm ready for whatever candidate that comes along, whether it's a Republican candidate or a Democrat."

Any successful candidate must be able to travel extensively and raise enough money to advertise in the San Antonio and El Paso television markets.

"It's not an easy decision," Gallego said. "It was made much easier by the fact that my wife and son are going to make this a team effort."

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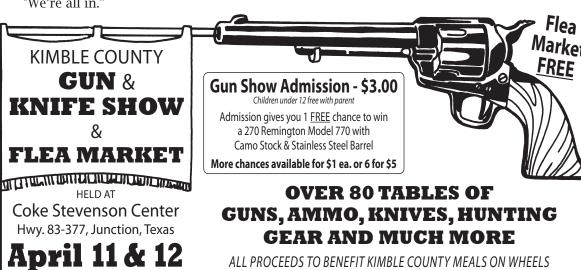
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PHOTO BY RAY AND NANCY GLASSCOCK | SPECIAL TO THE OZONA STOCKMAN **VARSITY LION OMERO RODRIGUEZ WON GOLD** in the 3200 and 1600 at the Sonora Relays.

Rodriguez wins 3200, 1600 races

The OHS Lions competed in the Sonora Relays on April 2.

Omero Rodriguez won the 3200 meter run with a time of 10 minutes, 42 seconds. He also won the 1600 at 4:53.

Adrian Rodriguez was second in both races at 11:11 in the 3200 and 4:56 in the 1600.

Alex Hopper was sixth in the 1600

Noe Medina won the 800 at 2:05 and placed sixth in the high jump at

5-feet, 2-inches. Ricky Porras was fifth in the 100

Ben Badillo placed third in the long jump at 20-3.

Roman Esparza was second in the pole vault at 11-0.

The 400 relay of Porras, Porras, Rodriguez and Badillo was third at

The 800 relay of Porras, Porras, Rodriguez and Badillo was third at

The 1600 relay of Porras, Gutier-

rez, Rodriguez and Medina was third at 3:38.

JV LIONS

Anthony Perez was second in the long jump at 15-3.75, sixth in the 100 at 12.22 and third in the 200 at 25.46.

Luis Contreras was third in the long jump at 15-2.5, won the triple jump at 30-9.5 and was third in the 400 at 1:06.

Francisco Rivera was sixth in the long jump at 13-5 and second in the 400 at 1:04.2.

Danny Posadas won the 3200 at 12:13 and was second in the 1600 at

Lane Rust was second in the 800 at 2:17 and won the 1600 at 5:12. Garry Held placed third in the 800

at 2:23 and third in the 300 hurdles at The 1600 relay of Perez, Rivera,

Rust, Held won with a time of 4:02. The JV Lions placed second in the

in the 1600 and was second in the 800 at the Sonora Relays on April 2.



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JV LION DANNY POSADAS took JV LION LANE RUST WON GOLD the gold in 3200 and was second in the 1600 at the Sonora Relays.

Moses, Newlin tops in Lady Lions track and field

The OHS Lady Lions competed at the Sonora Relays on April 2.

McKenna Moses hit a personal best of 12 feet to win the pole vault.

She also won the 3200 with a time of 13 minutes, 8.9 seconds. Alyssa Newlin took second in the

long jump at 15-6.5. She also took fifth in the 200 at

Gabby Treto placed third in the 3200 at 13:24.10, and second in the

1600 at 6:12.5. Itzel Esmerado was third in the 1600 at 6:16.5.

Estefania Torralba placed fourth in the 800 at 2:51.6.

Madison Galindo was sixth in the

00 hurdles at 18.09. The 400 relay placed third at 55.18. The 800 relay placed second at

The Lady Lions placed third in the

JV LADY LIONS

Samantha Torralba won the long jump at 12-10.5. She also placed third in the 100 at 15.06, and sixth in the 200

Kaelan Savala placed second in the 100 hurdles at 24.78.

Cameron Rutherford was second in the 100 at 14.96. She also won the 400 at 1:15.7.

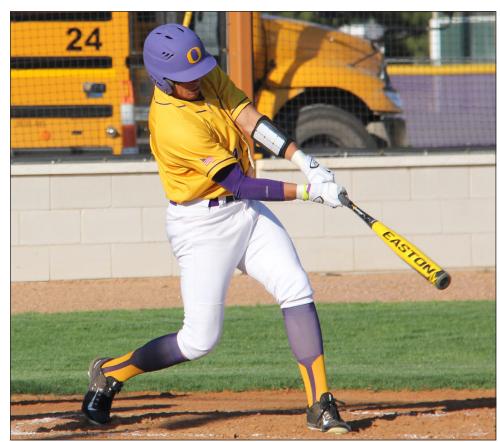
MaKenna Fox was sixth in the 100 at 15.15.

The 800 relay placed fourth at 2:03. The JV Lady Lions placed fourth at the meet.

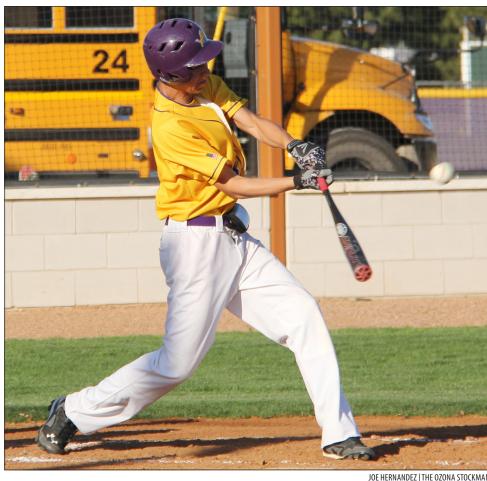
Community scholarship applications needed

Ozona community organizations need to contact Tisha Harrison, OHS Counselor with their scholarship information and application forms.

You can reach Mrs. Harrison at 325-392-5501 or e-mail tisha.harrison@ozonaschools.net.



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN PRESTON McCUTCHEON UP AT BAT in the Ozona Lions April 2 game against Center Point.



JACKSON ABBEY WAS ONE FOR THREE WITH TWO BASE HITS in the Ozona Lions game against Center Point on April 2.

Lions fall to Harper, Center Point

The OHS Baseball Teams

Pitching - Aidan Fierro; Catcher - Fay.

Catcher - Tommy Fay.

DeHoyos was 3 for 4, 2B and Jayton Rodriguez was 2 for 4. Fierro pitched 6.1 innings

and had five strikeouts.

The Lions lost to No. 2 lost to Harper, 3-2, on March Center Point, 8-2, on April 2. DeHoyos; Pitching

Rodriquez was 1 for 2; Fay was 2 for 4, 3B; Chase Fay 1 for 3 and Jackson Abbey 1 for 3, 2B.

The Lions will play Johnson City at 4:30 p.m. Friday in Johnson City.



KOBE RODRIQUEZ KEEPS A SHARP EYE in the Ozona Lions April 2 game against Center Point. Rodriquez was one for two at bat.

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JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN **ZETHANY CUEVAS SMACKS A HOME RUN for the Ozona** Lady Lions in their 19-2 annihilation of Eden on April 3.



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN **KELLY SEWELL IS AT BAT FOR THE OZONA LADY LIONS** in their April 3 victory over Eden.



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VARSITY LADY LION ZEPHAN CUEVAS FIRES OFF A PITCH on April 3 in the Ladies overwhelming 19-2 victory over Eden.



JOE HERNANDEZ | THE OZONA STOCKMAN ASIA LARA KEEPS A SHARP EYE ON THE BALL WHILE AT BAT in the Ozona Lady

Pre-K and Kindergarten Pre-Registration April 29

OES Pre-K and Kindergarten Pre-Registration for the 2015-2016 will be held on April 29, 2015 from 9 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m. at Ozona Elementary School.

Pre-Kindergarten children must be 4 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2015 to be eligible for Pre-k and 5 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2015 for Kindergar-

Parents must have proof of income (only for Pre-kindergarten) child's birth certificate, (not the one from the hospital, but the one from the courthouse) shot record, proof of residency, parent photo ID and social security card in order to register the

A copy of these documents will be made, and the originals will be returned to you.

This is required by law in Chap. 25.002 of the Texas Education Code.

Please bring your child with you.

As of Aug. 1, 1999, all children born on or after Sept. 2, 1992 are required to have the following immunizations to begin school:

1. Hepatitis A -2 dos-

2. Varicella (chicken pox)-2 doses

3. Pneumoccocal

(PCV7) or (PCV13)- 4 doses 4. Hib-4 doses

5. Hepatitis B-3 doses 6. DTaP- 5 doses---1 dose after 4th birthday

7. Polio-4 doses---1

dose after 4th birthday 8. MMR-2 doses

Pre-Registro para el 2015-2016 se llevara a cabo en abril 29, 2015 de 9:00-12:00 y 1:00-4:00 p.m. en la Escuela Primaria.

Pre-Kindergarten nino debe tener 4 anos de edad en 0 antes del 1 de septiembre 2015 para ser elegible para Pre-K y 5 anos de edad antes del 1 de septiembre de 2015 para Kindergarten. Los padres deben tener un comprobante de ingresos (solo para Pre-Kindergarten), certificado de nacimiento del nino (no el del hospital, pero el de la corte), registro de vacunas, prueba de residencia, el padre de identidad con fotografia y una tarjeta de la seguridad social con el fin a registrar al nino. Se hara una copia de estos documentos, y los originales seran devueltos a usted. Esto

es requerido por la ley en el Cap. 25.002 del Codigo de Educacion de Texas. Por favor traiga a su hijo con ust-

Desde el 1 de Agosto de 1999, todos los ninos nacidos a partir del 2 de septiembre 1992 estan obligados a tener las siguientes vacunas para empezar la escuela:

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4. Hib - 4 dosis

5. Hepatitis B-3 dosis 6. DTaP - 5 dosis ---1 dosis despues de cumplir 4

7. Polio - 4 dosis ---1 dosis despues descumplir 4 anos

8. MMR - 2 dosis

OMS Lady Lions compete at Sonora Relays

The OMS Lady Lions 23.64 competed in the Sonora Relays on April 2.

SEVENTH GRADE

Long Jump - 5. Miranda Villarreal, 11-4.

Triple Jump - 3. Castillo, 24-8.75

Shot Put - 5. Kayla Sarabia,

Discus - 4. Kayla Sarabia, 52-1; 5. Kendra Sarabia, 51-3. High Jump - 5. Wendy Mata, 3-8.

3200 - 1. Roslyn Mendez, 10:49.80; 2. Alyiah Ortiz, 11:10.8 and 3. Amber Fuentes, 11:56.1.

400 Relay - 3. Ozona, 1:04.20

800 - 2. Fuentes, 3:11; 6. Rodriguez, 4:29.

100 Hurdles - 1. Mata,

100 - 3. Villarreal, 14.46 800 Relay - 2. Ozona,

400 - 4. Gaby Longoria, 1:24.81; 6. Kristy Rodriguez,

1:56.74. 200 - 5. Villarreal, 33.72 1600 - 1. Mendez, 6:48.20;

EIGHTH GRADE

2. Ortiz, 7:03.90

Long Jump - 6. Kassidy McCutcheon, 13-.5

.05; 6. McCutcheon, 25-.5 Discus - 4. Hernandez,

Lions 19-2 win over Eden on April 3.

3200 - 1. Ebony Ramirez, 11:58.3

400 Relay - 5. Ozona, 1:02.60 100 Hurdles - 2. Rust,

100 - 5. McCutcheon, 14.22 800 Relay - 5. Ozona,

400 - 5. Marmelejo, 1:16.77 300 Hurdles - 2. Rust,

200 - 6. Medina, 34.56

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OHS MEAL NIGHT:

Mondays - 7-10 p.m.

CLOSED SUNDAYS



Elementary School will have their picture

day on April 17. The day will include

group and individual pho-

picture is patriotic. Cost is On individual pictures,

forms are available at the OES office. For more information, The design for the class call 392-5501.



House passes conservative budget

BY REGAN ELLMER
CHIEF OF STAFF

Earlier this week after almost continuous 18 hours of debate, the Texas House of Representatives passed House Bill 1 and took an important step toward finalizing a budget that will be balanced and fiscally responsible for the next two years.

The Texas House budget dramatically reforms state government through increased transparency, and addresses the needs of our growing state while staying below two different constitutional spending caps.

HB 1 invests significant resources in public schools, boosts formula funding for higher education, invests additional general revenue in transportation, and promotes border security and public safety.

Additionally, HB1 accomplishes this by limiting overall spending growth to less than what is necessary to account for population and inflation increases.

State Rep. Andrew Murr, R-Junction, said, "Approving a state budget is one of the important constitutional obligations of our state legislature every two years. Passing HB 1 with a vote of 141-5 demonstrates that this budget was thoroughly vetted with input from all state representatives. I look forward to working with members of the Senate to finalize this conservative budget."

Following this week's vote, HB 1 now heads to the Texas Senate. When the Senate passes their proposed budget, which is expected to contain changes from the House version, HB 1 will head to a conference committee composed of several members from each chamber to hammer out specific differences. Following the conference committee's work, the final budget will be submitted



STATE REP. ANDREW MURR, R-JUNCTION, on the floor of the Texas

to both the House and Senate

House during last week's budget debate.

to both the House and Senate for final approval for before being sent to the Governor.

Just prior to the final deadline for new legislation to be filed in the 84th Legislative Session, Representative Murr filed two more bills which, if passed, will enhance private property rights in District 53 and across the state.

House Bill 2892 will give property owners a seat at the table along with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, the General Land Office and other state agencies when it comes to determining if a watercourse is considered "navigable." The distinction is critical since a navigable waterway belongs to the people of Texas, while a non-navigable waterway is considered private property.

Under current law, many creeks, springs and draws, dry or not, that run through private property are not classified, so if a dispute occurs between a land owner and member of the public who wishes to cross through the property, or even camp overnight on the creek bed, a local law enforcement official is left to determine if the waterway is navigable or not. Many landowners have an expectation of privacy,

either through owning their property for generations or purchasing it recently.

The second bill, House Bill 3057, is aimed at protecting private property from a different kind of threat -- predatory animals. Under this legislation, \$500,000 per year that is already collected by the existing sporting goods sales tax would be dedicated to hunting and trapping animals which pose a threat to people and property, such as coyotes, mountain lions and feral hogs, or those which do irreparable harm to the land, such as prairie dogs, rats and other rodents.

The funds would be distributed through a grant program administered by the Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Service in conjunction with Texas Parks & Wildlife. Eligible grant applicants would include local governments and qualified non-profit entities.

Murr has authored 16 total pieces of legislation during his first term in the legislature and has joint or co-authored 15 bills to date. For a list of all of Representative Murr's bills, or to read the specific text of legislation, please visit http://www.capitol.state.tx.us/.

Foreign persons must report U.S. Agricultural Land Holdings

BY JED HRUSKA

USDA - FSA

The Executive Director for the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) in Reagan-Upton-Irion-Crockett County, Jed Hruska, reminds foreign persons with an interest in agricultural lands in the United States that they are required to report their holdings and any transactions to the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture.

"Any foreign person who acquires, transfers or holds any interest, other than a security interest, including leaseholds of 10 years or more, in agricultural land in the United States is required by law to report the transaction no later than 90 days after the date of the transac-

tion," said Hruska.

Foreign investors must file Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act (AFIDA) reports with the FSA county office that maintains reports for the county where the land is located.

"Failure to file a report, filing a late report or filing an inaccurate report can result in a penalty with fines up to 25 percent of the fair market value of the agricultural land," said Hruska.

For AFIDA purposes, agricultural land is defined as any land used for farming, ranching or timber production, if the tracts total 10 acres or more.

Disclosure reports are also required when there are changes in land use. For example, reports are required when land use changes from nonagricultural to agricultural or from agricultural to nonagricultural. Foreign investors must also file a report when there is a change in the status of ownership such as the owner changes from foreign to non-foreign, from non-foreign to foreign or from foreign to foreign.

Data gained from these disclosures is used to prepare an annual report to the President and Congress concerning the effect of such holdings upon family farms and rural communities in the United States.

For more information regarding AFIDA and FSA programs, call the Reagan-Upton-Irion-Crockett County FSA office at (325) 884-3753 or visit the USDA website at http://www.usda.gov.

ASU launching war stories project

BY LAUREL SCOTT
ANGELO STATE UNIVERSITY

The Department of History at Angelo State University, supported by a three-year grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, invites West Texas residents to participate in a new historical preservation project, "War Stories: West Texans from World War I to the Present."

The project's goal is to collect and preserve the stories and experiences of armed forces personnel and their families with a West Texas connection, past or present.

The result will be a digital archive to serve as a research

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resource for future generations and a memorial to those Americans who helped shape the course of the 20th and early 21st centuries.

The digital archive, which will be at ASU's Dr. Ralph R. Chase West Texas Collection, will include photographs, let-

ters and other memorabilia, as well as oral and video interviews from military members, veterans and their families.

Dr. Christine Lamberson and Dr. Kanisorn Wongsrichanalai, directors of the project and faculty in the History Department, are beginning to collect materials from community members.

Those interested in contributing to the project should complete an online form at www.angelo.edu/war-stories-submission-form.

For more information on the War Stories project, call the Department of History at (325) 942-2324 or e -mail warstories@angelo.edu.

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CHAMBER: from page 1

services available to them.

Chamber Executive Director, Shanon Biggerstaff, recognized and thanked seven businesses who sponsored the evening events. Chamber Ambassadors were introduced and acknowledged for their volunteer service to the Chamber, and members bowed their head in silence in memory of Ambassador Dale Beebee.

Sally Oglesby, Chamber Committee Chair, updated guests on the status of Crockett County Interpretive Trail located across the parking lot of the Visitor Center.

"The purpose of the project is to educate residents, travelers and all visitors to the site, about the importance of water conservation and the daily use of native plants in our lives. The trail includes signage, a wildlife viewing area, and over 231 plants to date," Sally said.

Sally thanked those Chamber members and the community for their purchase of a rock sign or memorial bench, all of which have been set in the trail.

"We invite our membership and the community to come out and visit Ozona's newest attraction. It may not look like much from a far, but time and time again, those that actually walked the trail have told us, once you get inside the trail, it's like the outside world disappears," Sally said.

Guests were informed that there is still an opportunity to purchase a rock sign if you want to participate in the project.

"You can purchase a rock in memory of, in honor of, or just in support of the trail," Sally said.

"As you all know, each month the Chamber recognizes a Business of the Month," said Executive Director, Shanon Biggerstaff. "At the end of the year, you, the membership, select of those twelve recipients, the Business of the Year."

Shanon introduced all 12 recipients.

"Each and every recipient provides a valuable service to our community; there is not one candidate that is not deserving. In fact, this was such a tough choice for you, the membership, that as we were receiving the ballots, at one point we had twotwo way ties between four of these candidates. That speaks volumes about each of you.

However, as the ballots continued to roll in, one business in the end captured the majority vote of the membership. It is my privilege to announce that the membership of the Chamber of Commerce has selected the Crockett County Deerfest Association as the 2014 Business of the Year," Shanon said.

"This concludes the business portion of our program, and again we would like to thank all of you for coming out this evening, and for your support," said Paige Tambunga.

Paige thanked again the businesses that sponsored the event, the caterer, Allen Willams and staff at the Civic Center for hosting the event, and the One Act Play for providing the entertainment and

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Crockett Soil & Water Conservation District recognizes April as National 9-1-1 Education Month

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Know what happens when you call 9-1-1. After you dial, the

person who picks up on the other end will be someone who

works at a 9-1-1 center and whose job it is to help you. They may

ask you to do things to help or ask you questions. It is important

that you follow their directions as best you can. They will send

someone to wherever you are and stay on the phone with you

Never hang up. Even if you called 9-1-1 by accident, or if you think

the problem has gone away, it is important that you stay on the

phone until the call taker tells you it is alright to hang up. It is

the call taker's job to make sure that you are OK and that help

has gotten to whoever needs it. In situations where you aren't

able to talk or have to leave, keep the phone off the hook so that

the 9-1-1 operator can hear what is going on in the room. Most

times, they will be able to use the computers at the 9-1-1 cente

something is hurt or in danger and you need a police officer, a

On April 1, Crockett Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) began a month-long campaign to help Americans of all ages recognize the importance of 9-1-1 and the role they play in ensuring effective and efficient emergency response in times of crisis.

Groups including the United States Congress and the National Emergency Number Association (NENA), a leading public safety association, have also recognized April as National 9-1-1 Education Month, and are encouraging the media, the 9-1-1 community, the wireless industry, and public information providers to engage in 9-1-1 awareness and education activities this month.

"For 40 years, 9-1-1 has served as the vital link between the American public and emergency services," said NENA CEO, Brian Fontes. "Public education and awareness initiatives throughout the years have contributed in large measure to the incredible and ongoing success of the emergency communications system as a whole. It is our hope that all groups interested in promoting and enhancing the safety and welfare of the public will help deliver critical 9-1-1messages this month."

As consumers utilize new communications technologies and devices, 9-1-1 education takes on an increased importance for everyone, but especially for children, teens, and parents. It is important to know if you do call 9-1-1, do not hang up. If you happen to call by accident, stay on the line until you can tell the call taker that you called by accident & **Know what 9-1-1 is.** 9-1-1 is the phone number you can call from Memorize important stuff about you and your family. Being any phone when you need help or you see someone who needs

In an emergency, the best thing that you can do is tell your parents, a teacher, or another

adult you trust right away. But if no one is around you may have to call someone else for

help. Here is what you need to know about where to find help and how you can make

Know where you are. If you aren't at home and don't know the address where you are look around and try to find a street sign or a building with a name on it so that the 9-1-1 operator knows

Try not to be scared. When you call 9-1-1, you become the eyes and ears for the call taker. Help will get to you much faster if you stay calm and can tell the call taker everything that is happening

able to tell the 9-1-1 operator things like your address, your parents' names, and your phone number will get help to you

and can answer all the call taker's questions







there is no emergency.

This saves the call taker from having to call you back & confirm there is no emergency or possibly sending police with lights & sirens to check your address for an emergency.

Is a person hurt or in danger? Are you reporting a or ambulance? These are all things that could happen so teach your children how to call 9-1-1.

It is very important to post your address clearly and prominently at your entrance & on your home.

Use a reflective sign that can be seen clearly during fire? Do you need the police the day & at night. Be sure you post your 9-1-1 address. This can be obtained through your local 9-1-1 coordinator.

Crockett SWCD has reflective signs available for a minimal cost. We are located at 201-D 11th St in the USDA Service Building. You can call 392-2301, Ext: 3 for

City of BIG LAKE RFQ: Project Planning, Design and **Construction Management Phase ARCHITECTURAL Services**

1.1 General Information

325-226-2837 or 325-392-4247

The CITY OF BIG LAKE, TEXAS (City) requests the submission of Statements of Qualifications (SOQ) with respect to provide for planning, design, and construction management phase services associated with the design and construction of CITY HALL BUILDING RENOVATIONS AND EXPANSION. This Request for Qualifications (RFQ) solicits information that will enable the City to determine the highest qualified ARCHITECTURAL Firm that may provide professional ARCHITECTURAL services for the planning, design and construction management of the project

1.2 Intent The intent of the City is to hire an ARCHITECTURAL Firm to provide planning, design, and construction management phase ARCHITECTURAL services via a invitation only procurement process. The City will evaluate all Respondent's Statement of Qualifications and may conduct interviews. At the conclusion of this process, the City will rank candidates by order of highest qualifications and first attempt to negotiate a fair and reasonable fixed price contract with the highest qualified ARCHITECTURAL Firm. If unable to negotiate a mutually acceptable contract, the City will terminate negotiations with the highest qualified ARCHITECTURAL Firm and begin negotiating with the next highest qualified candidate. If necessary, the City will repeat these steps until an acceptable contract is obtained. Complete procedures for procuring the ARCHITECTURAL Services are presented in Section 2.0 of this RFQ.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all qualification statements received in response to this invitation. The City reserves the right to short list respondents and base final selection rankings on personal interviews. The City reserves the right to conduct new project planning, design, and construction management phase ARCHITECTURAL services selection procedures for this or future projects.

1.5 Project Description

EXPANSION.

The proposed various future projects for the period of service may include, at the City's determination and schedule, the following:

1.5.1 Provide for planning, design, and construction management phase services associated with the design and construction of CITY HALL BUILDING RENOVATIONS AND

2.3 Submitting the SOQ Package

The ARCHITECTURAL Firm shall submit three (3) copies of the Statement of Qualifications Package. Packages may be delivered by courier or mail. No faxes will be accepted. The Qualifications Statement Package should be in sealed envelopes which are clearly labeled and addressed as follows:

The RFQ is available from the City of BIG LAKE upon request or by picking up a copy at the address below during regular business hours. Three (3) copies of the SOQ Package should be submitted by 4:00 P.M. (Local Time), April 23, 2015 in a sealed envelope to the following address and clearly labeled accordingly:

CONFIDENTIAL: STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS ENCLOSED ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES ATTENTION: EVELYN AMMONS, CITY SECRETARY **CITY OF BIG LAKE** 203 PLAZA **BIG LAKE, TEXAS 76932**

Brahman Breeders elect new leadership

Leading the American Brahman Breeders Association (ABBA) for the next two vears will be newly elected

president J.D. Sartwelle, Jr. His placement was announced during the ABBA's annual membership meetHouston. The rest of the newly elected officers and executive committee is:

· Vice President: George Kempfer, St. Cloud, Fla. · Secretary/Treasurer:

Loren Pratt, Maricopa, Ariz. · Executive Committee:

Dr. Richard Hughes, Donaldson, Ark.; Larry Barthle, San Antonio, Fla.; Dr. Craig Fontenot, Ville Platte, La.; John Coleman Locke, Hungerford, Texas; Jim Bob Trant, Anderson, Texas; Steve Wilkins, Ozona, Texas, and Gerald Young, Katy, Texas.



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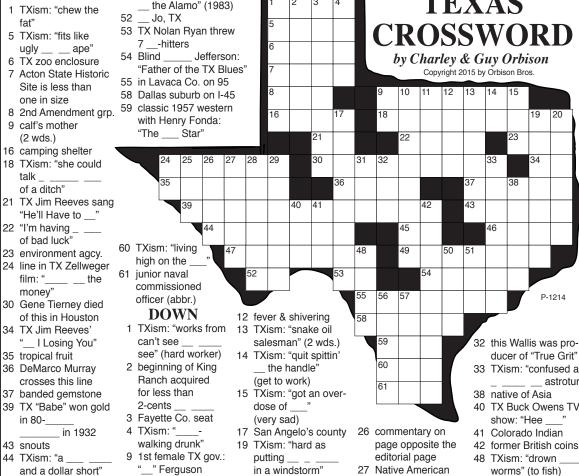
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San Antonio man dies in accident west of Ozona

A San Antonio man, traveling with his family, was killed last week in a vehicle accident west of Ozona on

Luis Bayona, 46, was pronounced dead at the scene by Crockett County Justice of the Peace Evelyn Lozano, according to a report from the Texas Department of Public

Tammy Bayona, 40, Luis Octavio Bayona, 19, Samantha Marie Bayona, 22, and Nathan Bayona, 15, were all transported to Shannon Medical Center with non-incapacitating injuries, the report stated.

Luis Bayona was driving a 2007 Chevrolet Tahoe when the back right tire of the vehicle blew out causing Bayona to lose control of the vehicle. the report stated.

The vehicle overturned in the center median.

The accident occurred around 9 p.m. on March 30 at the 354 mile-marker.

It was investigated by DPS Trooper Thomas Siarski and assisted by Dustin Henderson and Sgt. Bryan Bennie.

Crockett County EMS, the Ozona Volunteer Fire Department and the Crockett County Sheriff's Office also responded.

Senseless deaths on the rise due to distracted driving

AUSTIN — With more people dying senselessly on Texas roads due to distracted driving, the Texas Department of Transportation kicks off its annual "Talk, Text, Crash" campaign to urge drivers to give their full attention to the road. TxDOT's campaign coincides with National Distracted Driving Awareness Month in April.

"Nearly 1 in 5 traffic crashes in Texas is caused by a distracted driver," said TxDOT Deputy Executive Director John Barton. "Last year, 468 people were killed because someone took their attention off the road. How important is a fleeting distraction when it could end in the death of someone, perhaps even one of your loved ones?"

Distracted driving-related crashes in Texas are highest among 16- to 24-yearolds. In 2014, there were 100,825 crashes in Texas involving distracted driving up 6 percent from the previ-

According to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, drivers using a mobile phone are four times more



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likely to cause serious injury in a crash. Text messaging is particularly dangerous. New research conducted last year by the Texas A&M Transportation Institute showed it takes a driver double the amount of time to react when they are distracted by text messaging. Additionally, sending or receiving a text takes a driver's eyes away from the road for an average of 4.6 seconds. At 55 mph, that's the equivalent of driving the length of a football field while blindfolded.

While mobile phone use is the most recognizable driving distraction, any type of behavior that draws a motorist's attention away from driving is dangerous. TxDOT urges drivers to refrain from:

- Texting
- Checking email Eating and drinking
- Grooming
- Reading Programming a navi-

gation system · Adjusting music or

other audio device If a distraction absolutely requires immediate attention, TxDOT reminds drivers to pull over to a safe location and come to a complete stop before diverting their atten-

For more information, contact TxDOT Media Relations at MediaRelations@txdot.gov or (512) 463-8700.

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OFFENSE REPORTS/ARRESTS:

3-27-15

Alarms

· Sheriff's deputy went to the Crockett County Care Center to investigate an incident of possible elderly abuse.

• Sheriff's deputy went to a call of loud

music on Nashua. The music was turned down.

• Sheriff's deputies went to a verbal dispute at the Senior Apartments. The isssue was resolved.

• Sheriff's deputies went to a report of loud music on Monterey Street. The music was turned down. 4-1-15

· Sheriff's deputies arrested Brandi Williams, of Ozona, for criminal trespass of a habitation and possession of marijuana less than two ounces. Subject was arraigned and transported to Upton County. 4-2-15

Crockett County K9 unit assisted DPS

Trooper in Sutton County on a vehicle search. The search yielded 1.3 pounds of methamphetamine. Subject was arrested and transported to

Sutton County Jail. · Sheriff's deputy went to a call of a dam $aged\ property\ on\ Rugged\ Road.\ The\ responsible$

party paid for the damages. · Sheriff's deputy took a report of vandalism from a residence on Oakview Terrace.

· Sheriff's deputies served a CTN on a unwanted subject from a residence on 3rd Street.

• Sheriff's deputies responded to a call of a fight in progress on Avenue H. Upon arrival, the parties involved had left the scene. 4-4-15

• DPS Trooper arrested Zachary Nolshee, of LaPlace, La. on a charge of possession of marijuana less than two ounces. Subject was arraigned and posted bond.

4-5-15 • Sheriff's deputy escorted an unwanted subject away from a residence on Laredo.

• Sheriff's deputy made a civil standby at a residence on Mulberry Street.

• Sheriff's deputy arrested Jimmy Roland Sanchez, of Ozona, on a charge of driving while license invalid. Subject was arraigned and transported to Upton County.

• Sheriff's deputies went to a call of loud music on Angus Street. 4-6-15

· Sheriff's deputy went to the Ozona clinic to take a complaint of an assault.

EMS DEPARTMENT RUNS

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• 10:22 p.m. - No treatment, No Transport 911 Response (Emergency) 4/3/2015

• 12 a.m. - Transported No Lights/Siren Shannon West Texas Memorial Hospital 911 Response (Emergency)

• 4:39 p.m. - Transported No Lights/Siren Shannon West Texas Memorial Hospital 911 Response (Emergency)

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districts to publish the reasons a campus received its grade along with the rating.

SB 538 by Senate Health and Human Services Committee Chair Charles Schwertner, R-Georgetown, was crafted in light of the state's Ebola response last year. Among its attributes, the bill clarifies the chain of command during a disease emergency and requires protective equipment for healthcare workers or first responders to be stockpiled and ready. This response regimen would apply when or if the governor declares a state of infectious disease emergency.

DPS SEIZES MARIJUANA LOAD

Texas Department of Public Safety on April 1 announced more than two tons of marijuana with an estimated value of more than \$24 million were seized on March 30

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after a state trooper pulled over a tractor trailer in Starr County for a commercial vehicle inspection on U.S. 83 west of Roma.

During the inspection, the trooper discovered 174 bundles totaling 4,040 pounds of marijuana concealed inside the pressure washer skid being towed on the flatbed trailer. The driver was arrested and placed in federal custody.

DISTRACTED DRIVING **TAKES TOLL**

April is National Distracted Driving Awareness Month, and Texas Department of Transportation has kicked off its annual "Talk, Text, Crash" campaign to urge drivers to give their full attention to the road.

"Nearly 1 in 5 traffic crashes in Texas is caused by a distracted driver. Last year, 468 people were killed because someone took their attention off the road. How important is a fleeting distraction when it could end in the death of someone, perhaps even one of your loved ones?" TxDOT Deputy Executive Director John Barton asks in a campaign news release.



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PLEASE CONTACT THE FOLLOWING COMPANY NUMBERS IF ADDI-TIONAL INFORMATION IS REQUIRED: Anadarko E&P US Onshore LLC Texas office (325) 392-1500; 24 HR. Emergency pipeline number (325) 226-8375. WHEN YOU PLAN TO DIG OR BLAST NEAR OUR PIPELINES, CALL DIG TESS AT 1-800-344-8377 AT LEAST 48 HOURS PRIOR TO EXCA-VATION WORK. Please be safe and help us maintain a good pipeline safety record by: 1. Contacting DIG-TESS if you plan to excavate near our pipelines and 2. Contacting the company if you observe any activity such as drilling, excavating, blasting, deep plowing, ditching, movement of heavy equipment, etc. in the vicinity of our pipeline. PLEASE CALL US IN CASE OF EMERGENCY AT: (325) 226-8375 Anadarko E&P US Onshore LLC. 1p12

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CCCCSD invites proposals for renovation of school housing units. Specifications may be obtained at the School Administration Office, 797 Avenue D., Ozona, Texas 76943. The sites may be viewed from 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Monday through Friday. Quotes will be by individual unit. Sealed bid proposals will be opened at 2:00 p.m. Wed., April 15, 2015, at the School Administration Office. Please mark your bid envelope as follows: SEALED BID-HOUSING RENOVATION. Bids received after that date will be returned unopened. Bids received without a signature will not be accepted. The School reserves the right to accept/reject all bids. The bid announcement will be made at the regular board meeting in April, by the School Board of Trustees. Work can begin the day after the meeting and must be competed as agreed upon by the district and the contractor. For more information, contact Chuy Martinez, Ozona Public Schools, P.O. Box 400, Ozona, Texas 76943, Phone (325) 392-5501



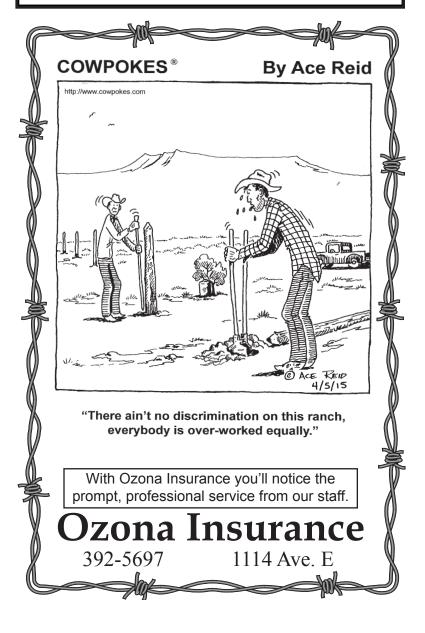
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