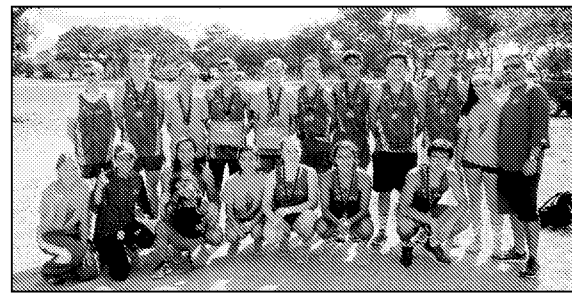




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OHS Homecoming Week

OHS Homecoming events: Dress up days for Ozona High School are: Today - Topsey Turvey Day; Thursday - Decades Day; Friday - Spirit Day.

Ozona Middle School Dress Up Days are: Today - Super Hero; Thursday - Neon and Glitter; Friday - Lion Pride

Ozona Elementary School Dress Up Days are: Today - Super Hero/Favorite Character; Thursday - Neon Glitter; Friday - Lion Pride.

A rivalry blood drive will be held from 1-5:30 p.m. today, Sept. 23, at the high school. The event is sponsored by the OHS National Honor Society.

Ozona High School has challenged Reagan County High School to a "What Color Do You Bleed" blood drive challenge.

The rules are simple: the school with the highest number of successful blood donation procedures wins. A presentation will be made after the homecoming festivities at half time of the football game Friday night.

Students ages 16 and 17 may donate blood with a parent signature permission form that can be picked up from Dottie De Leon in Heritage Room 209.

Appointments are highly recommended, as walk-in donors will be taken on a first come first served basis. All donors will receive a custom T-shirt from their favorite

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2015 OHS HOMECOMING QUEEN NOMINEES (left to right) Estefania Torralba, Madison Childress, Dulce Rodriguez, Alyssa Newlin and McKenna Moses.

Queen crowning ceremony Friday before game

The 2015 Ozona High School Homecoming Queen Nominees are Seniors Madison Childress, McKenna Moses, Alyssa Newlin, Dulce Rodriguez and Estefania Torralba.

Crowning ceremony will be

7 p.m. Friday at Lion Stadium.

Madison is the daughter of Martin and Vicki Childress. She will be escorted by Johnny Venegas.

Madison participates in cross-country, basketball,

softball, track, one act play, Crockett County 4-H, UIL Academics, cheerleading, band and is a member of the National Honor Society.

McKenna is the daughter of Ismael and Debbie Villar-

al. She will be escorted by Felipe Irlas.

McKenna participates in cheerleading, cross-country, basketball, track, student council,

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San Angelo man found guilty of damaging caverns

BY MELISSA PERNER
THE OZONA STOCKMAN

A San Angelo man was found guilty last week of damaging the Caverns of Sonora after a criminal bench trial held before 112th District Judge Pedro Gomez Jr.

Adam William Garcia-Gallegos pled guilty to knowingly removing items from the caverns and not guilty to knowingly destroying, defacing, marring, or harming items of a cave.

After hearing all the evidence, including testimony from eyewitnesses, Gomez found Garcia-Gallegos guilty on both counts, according to a press release from the 112th District Attorney's Office.

Gomez sentenced Garcia-Gallegos to five years community supervision and to \$9,480 in restitution for repairs to be paid within 36 months to Gerry Mayfield Ingham, one of the owners of the Caverns of Sonora, the release stated. If Garcia-Gallegos fails to complete his sentence, he could be sent

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CCCCSD School Board split on renaming Lion Stadium

BY MELISSA PERNER
THE OZONA STOCKMAN

By a narrow vote, the CCCCSD School Board decided to not rename Lion Stadium in honor of the late Coach L.T. "Rip" Sewell.

At the Sept. 15 regular meeting, board members Orlando DeHoyos, Roland DeHoyos and Grizz Medina all voted in favor of renaming the stadium. Board members David McWilliams, Amy Newton, Dwight Childress and Ryan Bean voted against the motion.

Orlando DeHoyos brought the item before the board at their July meeting for discussion. The item was then tabled to the August meeting and then again to the Sept. 15 meeting.

Sewell, who died on July 4, coached in Ozona from

1968-1989. While coaching at Ozona High School, his football teams won several district championships going several rounds into the playoffs. He also coached track and golf, taking teams to the state meets.

Sewell was selected by his peers to the Texas High School Coaches' Association's Hall of Honor in 1986.

"This is a critical moment. We should honor an individual for renaming the stadium. He was a coach, teacher, mentor and father figure," said Orlando DeHoyos.

Orlando DeHoyos also presented several letters written by people in support of renaming the stadium, including Sewell's children Kathy Sewell Turner and David Sewell, as well as Ozona Alumni Jay Huf-

stedler and Shannon Hunnicutt.

David Sewell's letter, along with Hufstedler's and a letter by Orlando DeHoyos were all printed in Sept. 2 and 9 editions of The Ozona Stockman.

Orlando DeHoyos also addressed concerns about renaming the stadium.

He mentioned if a coach will a better record comes along.

"If one meets this impact 35 years down the road, we can recognize that coach and let that board make a decision," he said.

Orlando DeHoyos also mentioned about the district becoming "name happy" on all buildings.

Reagan County, Eldorado, Irion County and

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Hanging on for eight seconds



TORO LOCO CELEBRITY BULL RIDER RYAN MASON is hanging on at this year's event held Saturday night.

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Factoring in competing businesses

We first begin learning about competition in our youth. For some, it was about who was the best batter, or fastest runner, or mud pie maker. Later, this carried over to classmates as we entered and progressed in school.

When we are striving to be competitive we are working hard at improving ourselves and getting better at a given task. So, competition is a good thing.

Competition in business is good for the same reasons. Healthy competition will "keep

you on your toes," if you are trying to compete. You have to be aware of your competitors. You need to know what they are doing well and if they are doing it better than you. You need to know what



BUSINESS TIPS

JAMES LEAVELLE

you are doing well and if you are doing it better than them. This may mean that you actually have to enter their business and shop. In some instances, this is the only way you have of gathering business intelligence on your competition.

There are many ways to compete with others in your industry. Offering different products or services that may be hard for them to get is one way. Another is to provide better customer service, which is a broad arena. Customer service goes be-

yond the interaction at the sales counter. It can include store cleanliness, ease of shopping, perceptions of safety and security, and an overall welcoming ambiance. Customers will often pay more for a product or service where they feel appreciated and welcome by a business.

The hardest place to compete in most industries is on price, especially in a saturated industry. What we fail to realize is that when we drop our price we are increasing our break even point. That means if we drop

our price to gain more customers, then we must sell more just to break even. The reality is that we may better off raising our price. This will lower our break even point and reduce how much we must sell. It may cost a few customers, but if we are the best at customer service, the damage will be minimal.

Sometimes businesses will try to send competitors messages that the competitor's pricing is "too competitive or aggressive" by dropping their own prices.

Soon you have a price war. In the end, this usually hurts those involved by hurting their reputation when prices must return to "normal." Additionally, if you are not one of the ones involved, you have to be careful not to get sucked into the price war. If you didn't start it and if it isn't aimed you be very careful about reacting to it.

"BUSINESS TIPS" was written by James Leavelle, certified business advisor, of Angelo State University's Small Business Development Center. Contact him at james.leavelle@angelo.edu.

Blue Monday all week long?

When they handed out colors to represent lines of work, kinds of moods, degrees of dangers, and emphases on weather maps, it now seems certain "blue" has been over-worked.

Maybe it's something of a "cop-out," but trotting out 50 shades of blue seems to cheapen a color that should be one greatly honored. Instead, far too often, it is trampled.

As to "cop-outs," consider our culture—in a serious slide southward in ways considered outlandishly unlikely but a few winks ago. Let's hone in specifically on law enforcement personnel—men and women in blue. Formerly, they were generally treated with both deep respect and appreciation.

Today, sadly, there's much deliberation about the feasibility of their continuing to dress in uniforms for their daily shifts. They are thus clearly identified as to who they are. Also under question is whether it is safe for them to drive clearly identified vehicles. It is as though they are enemies, clutching as firmly as they can the values we formerly held to be sacred.

Our national mood calls for "singing the blues"—if we are to sing at all—when duty shifts begin. Men and women in blue have to wonder whether they're leaving their homes to promote peace or wage war in a land where domestic tranquility once seemed achievable. While we're at it, let's include other emergency responders—including, of course, fire department personnel. Really, now, would anyone be surprised if they, too, need to wear flak jackets? Or hold hoses in one hand and weapons in the other? Should we be shocked to soon see ads for tail gunners on fire trucks?

Few of us in daily routines expect to participate in law enforcement procedures. I was in such a scene recently, albeit unwittingly. Having concluded popping corn for delivery to friends, I noticed the gas gauge skittering toward "E."

Outfitted in pull-over shirt, old jean cut-offs and sandals, I wished for a baseball cap to hide run-away gray hair mats devoid of shampoo for 24 hours or so. Some 40-50 yards away, a smiling lady waved vigorously.

Thinking she recognized



IDLE AMERICAN

DON NEWBURY

me and probably wanted a popcorn fix—for herself and for two accompanying children—I felt it seemly to reward them. I wandered slowly over to hand them a bag, as if I knew

them. Turns out, I didn't. As the bag left my hand, I heard a voice of the law, neither amplified nor ill-spoken. "Please move away from the car."

Behind the woman's vehicle, perhaps 40 feet away, was a police car. Inside, the officer was completing details of what I suppose was a speeding violation.

Horrors! I was thrust into possible interference with the law. So, I offered the officer a bag of popcorn, too. But, he couldn't accept it. I felt stupid, retreated quickly to my car and drove away.

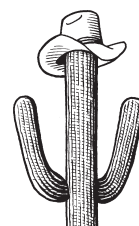
Proceeding with deliveries, I couldn't turn off memories of how I'd almost "interfered" with what I'm sure was a routine traffic stop near noontide of the day. I hope the woman and her children enjoyed the popcorn, and I'm sorry—at this time in history, anyway—it isn't prudent for law enforcement personnel to accept foodstuff from a guy who looked like he should be raking leaves.

I mentally "applauded" to the many demonstrations across our land supporting men and women in blue. Let us applaud their many shades of blue, including postal workers, and yes, even umpires. It is the American way, even if the latter group sometimes must wait for instant replay for exoneration. For many caught up in the jagged edges of life's realities, there's no instant replay, no mulligans and quite often, not even casual thanks.

It is worth repeating: The American way is under siege. If we are to be privileged to keep it one nation under God, we must reclaim old resolve to defend what is right and true—for each other, and for the men and women in blue. May God bless them every day.

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Dead Men's Prices



IT'S THE PITTS

LEE PITTS

I love art and the walls of my home are covered with it. I'm talking real art, not that abstract/impressionism garbage like the stuff that was shown at a modern art show in New York years ago where the judges accidentally gave "Best In Show" to an air conditioning vent that wasn't even entered in the competition. Or the "art" created by "artists" like Darryl Sapient and Michael Hinton in 1971 when they wrestled bare naked in a 10 foot diameter circle of steer manure at the San Francisco "Art" Institute. Critics called it a "masterpiece". Nor did I care for Christo's 1976 piece called "Running Fence" which was actually an 18 foot tall fence that ran on for 24 miles through California. I use the past tense because it was taken down after two weeks, much to the relief of residents of the area. I believe Christo's fence was the only piece of "art" ever created that required post hole diggers and an Environmental Impact Report. Not only was it not art, in my opinion, it wasn't even a good fence as it was made out of nylon cloth that any three-legged lamb could've busted through.

I also happen to really love cartoons like those by Jerry Palen, Mad Jack, Earl and another of my favorite cartoonists, Al Capp. He did a strip years ago called Andy Capp and I grew up reading it. Al Capp said that abstract art was "A product of the untalented, sold by the unprincipled to the utterly bewildered." I couldn't agree more.

Although I like all kinds of real art what I

really love is western art painted by true westerners. I'd rather look at a propane tank made to look like a corn on the cob painted by a prunier than I would a masterpiece created by another New Yorker who just came west to pillage and plunder and then hurried back home. Western art, my foot!

That's why I much prefer Russell to Remington. Russell was born

and raised in the gateway to the west and had the good sense to take up permanent residence here. He chose to live amongst us, whereas Remington was a New Yorker who just came west because he liked what the western light did for his paintings. It's true he owned a sheep ranch in Kansas for a brief period but he didn't last long before going back home, never to return. In 1884 the St. Lawrence Plaindealer said of Remington, "He is an enthusiastic admirer of Kansas, not as a home, but as a place to make money." For Remington, the cowboy was cash.

I'm a painter myself, you know? Not just of houses either. I even sold a painting once to a patron of the arts, but I had to promise to never pick up a paintbrush again. But I did. I can draw rocks okay, a

passable house, and a faintly recognizable tree, but my cows and horses look very much alike. Sometimes even I can't tell the difference.

What I am really atrocious at is people, probably because I haven't studied them like I have animals. People simply hold no interest for me. I'll be the first to admit that right now there is not a huge demand for my work but remember, Van Gogh only sold two paintings while he was alive and I'm already half way there. Now Van Gogh's are selling for "dead men's prices" and I'm confident that after I'm dead and gone my paintings too will be fetching dead men's money.

Just the other day an artist friend of mine came to our house and admired a few of my paintings which hang on our refrigerator door, as if they were done by some kindergartner. (Only the kindergartner's are probably better.) The artist took one look at my ranch scenes and said, "I'm not really into abstract or impressionism." Then he gave me the greatest encouragement I've had in my painting career yet by looking at one ranch scene and saying, "Those are cattle aren't they?"

"YES!" I exclaimed. "You could tell they are cows and not horses!" "Don't get too excited," he said, deflating me. "It's just that you don't see too many Hereford colored horses with what appear to be horns."

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American Community Survey updates poverty statistics

AUSTIN — Texas' poverty rate improved to 17.2 percent in 2014, according to U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey released Sept. 17.

Embedded in that statistic is this: more than 4.5 million Texans — 1.7 million of whom are children — still live in poverty. In 2014, the poverty line for a family of three was about \$19,000 per year.

Austin-based Center for Public Policy Priorities, a non-partisan research and advocacy organization, said the poverty rate for Texas children of 24.6 percent remained unchanged from the previous year.

"Although the state is growing, too many Texans struggle every day to make ends meet," Jennifer Lee of the Center for Public Policy Priorities said. "High levels of child poverty continue to undermine our state econ-

STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling | Texas Press Association

omy and affect the future prosperity of our state," she added.

Other points made by the Center, based on the Census Bureau data:

- Rapid economic growth in Texas cities and reflected in population growth, new construction, and increasing home values, has outpaced growth in Texans' paychecks.

- Median household income rose only slightly to \$53,035. Income inequality is persistent in Texas. If Texas were made up of five people collectively earning \$100, the highest-earning person would earn more than \$51 while the lowest-earner would make \$3.14 and the Texan in the middle earns \$14.

- Education levels and poverty are closely connected, underscoring the importance

of educating the next generation of Texans for the state's future prosperity. Some 28.5 percent of Texans without a high school diploma lived in poverty, compared to 10 percent of those with some college education and only 4.5 percent for those with a bachelor's degree.

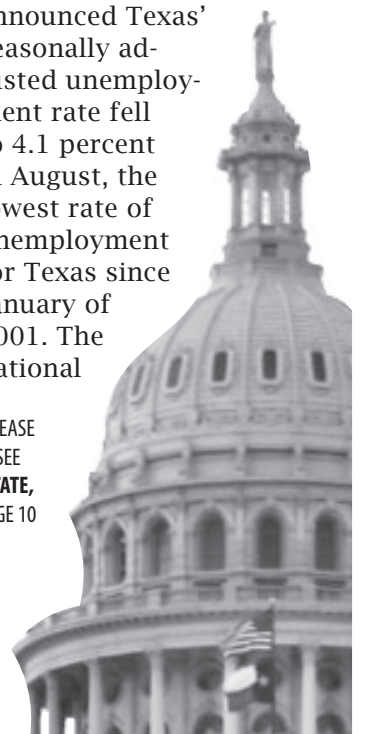
NO ONE NEED GO HUNGRY Texas Department of Agriculture is encouraging Texans in need to apply for assistance through the U.S. Department of Agriculture-funded Child and Adult Care Food Program.

About 13,000 adult and child care centers and home-based day cares in Texas are serving free or reduced-price meals through the program. Helpful information can be found at www.squaremeals.org.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE DROPS

Texas Workforce Commission on Sept. 18 announced Texas' seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell to 4.1 percent in August, the lowest rate of unemployment for Texas since January of 2001. The national

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OBITUARIES

Alice Eloise Carson Clegg

Alice Eloise Carson Clegg, "Ella" of Ozona passed away peacefully in the morning Friday September 18, 2015. She is to be remembered as a gracious woman of full of faith and love for her family.

Ella was born December 8, 1922 to ranching pioneers, Ira and Wilma West Carson in the W.E. West home in Ozona. The family lived at the Carson Ranch in Val Verde Co 45 miles south of Ozona. When Ella entered kindergarten the family built a home in town and would travel to town each fall for the children to attend school. Ella was educated in the Ozona schools. Upon graduation she attended Baylor University where she studied nursing. Due to the war her family wanted her closer to home. She completed her degree in business at San Angelo College. Many summers she traveled to Boulder, Colorado to study art. She developed a love for oil painting and landscapes while in Colorado.

During World War II, Ozona had an Air Field. It was custom that the women of Ozona would bake cookies for the Air Force performing maneuvers four miles west of town. It was there, delivering cookies, that she met the young Bill Clegg. He was a handsome bombardier navigator instructor from Pawtucket, Rhode Island. They were married October 14, 1944. The couple lived at Air Force bases in San Angelo and Ft Myers Florida. When the war ended, they returned to Texas to live at the ranch in southern Crockett County on Pandale Road to raise sheep and have a family. After the loss of two infant sons, they were blessed with a daughter, Chris. The couple moved to town and built a home when Chris was old enough to attend school. They continued ranching raising sheep, angora goats and cattle.

Ella's faith in God was evident in everything she did. She enjoyed playing the piano praising God with lyrics from the Baptist Hymnal and reading in her Bible. She taught Sunday school at the First Baptist Church for several years and she lived a Christian lifestyle.

Ella was involved in the other community organizations like her sister and Mother. She was very involved in the school PTA. She was a member of the Ozona Woman's Forum and various other organizations.

Ella continued the love of art throughout her life and was an accomplished artist. She and her mother traveled to participate in art workshops throughout the world but mostly New Mexico. She would take her easel into the forested mountains and paint the landscapes. Over her lifetime she studied art with famous Southwest art-



ists including Sterling and Peter Hurd. Many of her art pieces are of the landscapes and still life of the Southwest and of her beloved ranch.

Ella liked to travel. She traveled abroad to many countries. Often, she was accompanied by sister Chrystelle Childress and sister in law Norma Carson. She said her favorite place was China right after the fall of the Great Wall of China before the tourism industry began there. Ella and Bill traveled the Panama Canal on their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Ella and Bill enjoyed the game of golf together. They had a home on a golf course in New Mexico and were part of the Texas New Mexico South West Seniors Golf Association. Ella played in and won many golf tournaments. She even scored a hole in one during a tournament at Alto Lakes Country Club. Her name is still on a plaque in the Alto Club House.

An important part of Ella's life was her family. In recent years, she enjoyed visits from her small family and the entertainment of her twin great-grandsons. Ella moved into the Crockett County Care Center in 2014. The caregivers there became part of her family, too.

Ella was preceded in death by her parents, brother William James Carson, sister, Chrystelle Carson Childress, her husband of 56 years, William (Bill) Robert Clegg, and two infant children, Thomas Ira Clegg and William Robert Clegg, II.

She is survived by her daughter Chris Clegg, granddaughter, Heather Claburn and husband Allen Claburn, two great-grandsons Braxten Claburn and Braden Claburn, sister in law Norma Carson, nephew Billy Carson and wife Cathy, niece Bonnie Carson Baldrige and husband Buddy, niece Carmen Childress Sutton, nephew, Bob Childress wife Vivian, many great nieces and nephews and many cousins.

Services were at the First Baptist Church of Ozona Sunday, September 19, 2015.

The family request that in lieu of flowers, donations and memorials be made to the First Baptist Church of Ozona, PO Box 1608 Ozona Texas 76943.

Mary Geniece Hardberger Childress

Mary Geniece Hardberger Childress was born in Knox City, Texas June 19, 1916.

She died September 15, 2015 in the comfort of her own home. Services were Saturday, Sept. 19, at the First Baptist Church of Ozona with burial following at Cedar Hill Cemetery.

Her parents were Rufus Edwin Hardberger and Jenny Lee Reeves Hardberger. She had one sister, Lucille Hardberger Littleton of Ozona, and four brothers, Homer, R.E. Jr., George and Billy. Her father owned and operated cotton gins on the high plains of Texas.

The family moved to Lubbock when Geniece was eight and she lived there until she married. She was a graduate of Lubbock High School and Texas Tech University, and upon graduating, she taught school for a year. She remembered watching the streets being paved with bricks, playing sports with her brothers in open fields and walking to school when buildings and houses were sparse.

In 1937, she married Pleas Leasel Childress, Jr. of Ozona. They traveled to Mexico City on their honeymoon and afterwards moved to Turkey Roost Ranch, 16 miles north-east of Ozona. She loved the ranch and quickly learned to help with the work and enjoy that way of life. She told her children she was grateful to neighboring ranch wives who showed her how to cook for large groups during shearing season and how to better manage without electricity. After eight years and the birth of two children, Genelle and Pleas Leasel III, the family moved to town. Two additional children were born, Elizabeth Lucille and Charles Grady.

She was active in her children's activities, in the community and in her church. She wrote book reviews and was the commentator for many years for the Women's Forum style show as well as worked to get the museum moved from a classroom in the high school to its present building. She came to love and appreciate Crockett County, its history and its way of life. Geniece wanted to share this with others and worked tirelessly to publish The History of Crockett County. She wanted a record of the early settlers and all of those who helped build the county. She went on to write and produce a pageant of the pioneer days in Crockett County. She attended many museum workshops across the state to learn conservation techniques, and worked to preserve and present the artifacts of the museum. She gave talks and tours to school children and museum visitors. She retired from museum work in her eighties. The Fort Concho Museum Board of San Angelo recently voted to make her an honorary life member in recognition of her many years in support of heritage preservation and the Fort Concho site. It was her hope to share her love of history especially about Crockett County with others.

Geniece was very involved in the First Baptist Church of Ozona and taught Sunday school for many years.



Many people in Ozona have told her son how much they appreciated her lessons. She also worked with the teens in Training Union. Near the end of her life she enjoyed visiting with her family and singing and playing her beloved hymns, which remarkably, she could still remember despite her failing memory.

She loved any outdoor sport or large family gathering or party, whether at the river, the ranch or in town. She is fondly remembered by her fun loving enthusiasm, especially at those times.

She was preceded in death by all her immediate family, her niece Katrina Hardberger Pullen and her son-in-law Ronald L. Berry, Sr.

She is survived by her children Genelle Childress Berry; Pleas Leasel Childress III and his wife Sandra; Elizabeth Lucille Childress Huff and her husband Joel and Charles Grady Childress and his wife Alice.

Her grandchildren are: Cynthia Childress Berry Ollig and her husband Alex, Catherine Geniece Berry and her husband David Hamburger, Ronald Lewis Berry, Jr., Elizabeth Anne Berry-Hughey and her husband Patrick, Martin Leasel Childress and his wife Vicki, Julie Ann Childress Harrison and her husband Matt, Melissa Natalie Huff, Elizabeth Abigail Leasel Huff, Phillip Joel Huff, Charles Grady Childress, Jr. and Colton Glen Childress.

Her great grandchildren are Maximilian Ollig, Madison Childress, Jacob Childress, Seth Childress, Lana Harrison, Haley Harrison, Milo Hamburger and Annabelle Hamburger.

She is also survived by many beloved cousins, nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews and great great nieces and nephews.

The family wishes to express thanks to the nurses who helped care for her and to Dr. Marcus Sims and Ike Whitten, PA. In addition, they are deeply grateful to her granddaughter Vicki Childress, RN whose help was invaluable, and to her caregivers: Irma Cruz, Sandra Tambunga, Linda Kay Vasquez, Rafaela Perez, Rudi Huereca and Yolanda Martinez who so diligently helped with her care.

Those wishing to make memorials in her memory are requested to make them to the Crockett County Museum, P.O. Box 1444 Ozona, Texas 76943 or the First Baptist Church scholarship fund P.O. Box 1608 Ozona, Texas 76943 or any charity of their choice. Arrangements are by Kerbow funeral home of Ozona. Website: kerbowfuneralhome.com Phone (325) 392-5201.

Cathy Ann Williams

Cathy Ann Williams passed away on September 16, 2015. She was born August 25, 1951, in San Angelo, Texas, to Byron and Liz Williams. She grew up in Ozona, surrounded by a large extended family, including one sister, nine cousins, ten uncles and aunts, and three grandparents.

Cathy graduated from Ozona High School in 1970. She attended Texas Tech University in Lubbock, where she graduated in 1974 with a Bachelor degree in Spanish and English. During one summer semester, Cathy traveled with a school group to San Luis Potosi, Mexico, where she lived with a family and was immersed in the language and culture. She also attended one summer semester in McAllen, Texas, studying Spanish.

After college graduation, Cathy taught English and Spanish in Rankin, Texas, for two years. In 1976, she moved to Midland, where she worked in the oil industry for many years, both as a draftsman and as a scheduler.

After thirty years, she sold her home in Midland and lived in Alamogordo and then Farmington, both in New Mexico. Being a native Texan at heart, she moved back to Alpine, where she has lived for the last year and a half.

Cathy loved the land and spent many happy summers on the Devil's River with the family. She enjoyed horseback riding, skiing, and many other outdoor activities. She was a voracious reader and a student of Texas history. Cathy loved music and played the guitar, often with her mother and grandmother.

Cathy is survived by one sister, Connie Burrus of Corpus Christi, nine cousins, and several second cousins. A graveside service will be September 18, 2015 at 11am at Cedar Hill Cemetery in Ozona.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at: www.heritagefuneralhomeofthebigbend.com

DEATH NOTICES

Carolynn Frazier

Carolynn Frazier, 74, died Friday, Sept. 18, in a local care center. Graveside service was Monday in Rest Haven Cemetery in Barnhart. Arrangements by Kerbow Funeral Home. Survivors include her daughter, Mickey Leija of Ozona; son Monte Frazier of Barnhart; brother Thomas Etheridge of San Angelo; and sister Glenda Young of San Angelo.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Wednesday, September 23

- Autumn Begins
- See You at the Pole
- Exercise Class, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center
- Iglesia Bautista Nueva Vida chicken plate lunch, 11 a.m. at the corner of Secretariat and Man-O-War
- OHS Blood Drive, 1-5:30 p.m. at the high school.
- Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Blood pressure and diabetes checks, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Prayer Group, 3 p.m. at the Senior Center
- OHS and OMS Cross-Country Teams, 3:30 p.m. at Mertzton
- AWANA, 5:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church

Thursday, September 24

- 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 Lions vs. Reagan County, 5 p.m. at Lion Stadium
- OHS JV Lions vs. Reagan County, 6 p.m. at Big Lake
- OHS Bonfire, 8 p.m. behind the Crockett County Senior Center

Friday, September 25

- Balance Exercise, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Customer Appreciation Lunch, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Crockett National Bank.
- Ozona Schools dismiss at noon; OES release times - Pre-K noon, kindergarten and first grade 12:15 p.m. and second through fifth 12:30 p.m
- Homecoming Parade, 3 p.m. starting at the OHS Davidson Gym and ending at Lion Stadium for the Pep Rally. Parade lineup is 2 p.m. in front of the OHS Davidson Gym
- Ozona Woman's League Barbecue Dinner, 5 p.m. at the Civic Center
- OHS Varsity Lions vs. Reagan County, 7:30 p.m. at Lion Stadium
- Fifth Quarter for all high school students after the football game at the Civic Center. Sponsored by the OLPH Youth Group

Saturday, September 26

- OHS Cross-Country Teams at San Angelo
- Ozona Pee Wee Football vs. Eldorado, 9 a.m. at Christoval
- Crockett County Washer Pitching Tournament, 11 a.m. at the rodeo grounds slab
- Ozona Heavy Weight Football vs. Eldorado, 1:30 p.m. at Christoval

Monday, September 28

- Balance exercises, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center
- Bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center
- 4-H Food and Nutrition Practice, 5 p.m. Juniors, 6:30 p.m. Intermediate and Seniors at the 4-H Office
- OHS Band Practice, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Lion Stadium

Tuesday, September 29

- Balance exercises, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center
- Ozona Youth Flag Football, 6:30 p.m. Texans vs. Cowboys and 7:30 p.m. Panthers vs. Lions, at Lion Stadium

Wednesday, September 30

- 5th Bi-Annual South West Texas Oil and Gas Trade Show, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. registration and exhibitor set up at the Crockett County Fair Park Convention Center; 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. "Pump Jack Golf Open" at the Ozona Country Club; 5:30 -7 p.m. Welcome Reception and dinner at Ozona Country Club.
- Exercise Class, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center
- Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center
- Blood pressure and diabetes checks, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center
- Prayer Group, 3 p.m. at the Senior Center
- AWANA, 5:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church

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Christi Smith bride-elect
of Brandon Nichols
Emily Newton, bride-elect
of Aaron Pearl

Chicken plate lunch today

Iglesia Bautista Nueva Vida is raising money for missions again.

The church is selling chicken and dressing plates on Wednesday, Sept. 23, at 11 a.m.

The plates will have

chicken, dressing, mashed potatoes, green beans, cranberry sauce, bread, tea and sweet potato for \$10 a plate.

To place an order, call (325) 226-8053 or (325) 392-3095 or come by the corner of Secretariat and Man-O-War.

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.

SEPT. 23

• Turkey rice casserole, green pea salad, calico corn, banana pudding with wafers, dinner roll, margarine and milk.

SEPT. 24

• Beef enchiladas, Spanish rice, pinto beans, lettuce and tomato salad, fresh fruit, pineapple cream cake and milk.

SEPT. 25

• Grill chicken burger, old fashion potato salad, lettuce, tomato, pickle, onion, mustard, mayo, fruit and milk.

SEPT. 28

• Chicken enchilada bake, Spanish rice, tossed lettuce salad, ranch dressing, saltine crackers, hot cinnamon pears and milk.

SEPT. 29

• Beef pepper steak, garlic mashed potatoes, Capri vegetables, wheat roll, lemon pudding and milk.

OLPH Dies Y Sies De Septiembre



QUEEN VANESSA DE LA ROSA



OLPH CATHOLIC CHURCH held their Dies Y Sies De Septiembre Festival Sunday at the church.

Washer pitching tournament Saturday at rodeo grounds

The first ever Crockett County Washer Pitching Tournament will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, at the rodeo grounds slab.

The event is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Cost is \$80 per team.

There will also be DJ music, food booths and game booths.

One type of food booth will be allowed on a first come, first serve basis. Booths are \$35 each. All proceeds benefit the Knights of Columbus.

For more information, on the tournament, call John Flores at (325) 206-0805.

For more information on the food booths, call Frank Tambunga at (325) 226-2827.

Davy Crockett Fall Festival Oct. 31

Davy Crockett Fall Festival will be held Saturday, Oct. 31, from 10 a.m.- 2 p.m. at the town square.

Vendors and booths wanted. Cost is \$20 booth fee.

All proceeds benefit the Ozona Community Center.

For more information, or to request a booth, call Ozona Community Center at (325) 392-2710 or Ashlee Allen at (325) 226-0212.

OZONA SENIOR HAPPENINGS

Movies every Thursday afternoon

BY BRENDA NEWTON
SENIOR CENTER DIRECTOR

Thank you dear Lord for the rain. It smelled so good Sunday night I just wanted to sit outside and vegetate. We need a lot more but we really shouldn't complain. Every little bit helps. Hope yours is a great week. Don't miss the Homecoming celebrations.

I have not heard anything from the GED classes that Howard College is furnishing for those that are interested. They contacted me and said they would let me know when they found a teacher and with more information. I will post this information when I get it.

The next Bingo Social will be 6:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 19. We will be serving spaghetti and meat sauce with salad, garlic bread and peach cobbler. Hope to see all of you here for this.

Don't forget your prize must be worth \$5-\$10 and one prize for each person playing.

The movie will be Thursday, Sept. 24, will be "Dirty Dancing" starring Patrick

Swayze and Jennifer Gray. Another oldie but goody. Don't miss it. Come on out and enjoy yourself with popcorn and drinks at 2 p.m. Thursdays.

Don't forget the Thunderbird. They are available to help you get around. Just give them a call and leave a message.

Be sure to say who you are and where you are. They will call you back. Call us at 392-9094 if you do not have their number.

Natural cleaning tip - unclog drains with baking soda and vinegar.

Exercise - 9 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Bridge - 1:30 p.m. Mondays

Balance Exercise - 9 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays

Mexican Train - 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays

Prayer Group - 3 p.m. Wednesdays

Quilting - 9:30 a.m. Thursdays

Movies - 2 p.m. Thursdays

Come on out, the coffee is on.

Ozona Lodge #747 A.F. & A.M.
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A TIME TO REFLECT

As I sat in the lawn chair Sunday morning and seeing the nearby trees and I began to think about my life and all the past years. I realized I am very blessed. I had a good start in life, parents and grandparents that loved me and cared for me and I knew I was loved. I really had it good but many times I did not take advantage of the things at hand. And then later on life even though a good job, happily married and now children something was missing. One evening a pastor from the nearby local church came by to visit. As we talked he shared with me about the importance knowing and accepting Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. I had never done that even though believing in God, the Bible and being baptized in my teenage years. I knew something was missing in my life I just did not know what. That night I got on my knees in my front yard and asked God to forgive me of my sins, (Romans 3:23, 6:23) and asked Jesus Christ to be my Lord and Savior, (Romans 5:8, Ephesians 2:8, 9, John 1:12). A joy and peace came into my heart that night and I felt like a giant burden was lifted from my heart. My life has never been the same since that moment. I started a new life that night.

See you in Church next Sunday.

Brother J

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| <p>Apostolic Church 1908 Santa Anna St. Pastor Refugio Vega Sunday School: 3 p.m. Sunday Worship: 4 p.m. Tuesday & Thursday Service: 7 p.m.</p> | <p>Iglesia de Dios De La Profecia 102 Man O'War St. Pastor Maria C. Salcedo Lunes: 6 p.m. Domingo: 9:45 a.m., 6 p.m. Martes: 6 p.m. Jueves: 6 p.m.</p> | <p>Our Lady of Perpetual Help 219 Martinez St. Fr. Patrick Akpanobong 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 Interim Pastor Paul Ray Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Sunday Worship: 6 p.m. Wednesday Worship: 6 p.m.</p> | <p>Iglesia Bautista Nueva Vida Corner of Secretariat & Man O'War Pastor Juan Avila Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. 6 p.m. Wed. Service: 6 p.m.</p> | <p>Ozona Church of Christ 1002 11th St. Mr. Johnnie Perkins Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m. Sun. Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.</p> |
| <p>Faith Lutheran Church 802 1st St. Pastor Tom Baden Worship: Sunday - 7 p.m. Bible Class: Sunday - 6 p.m.</p> | <p>New Beginnings Ozona "church...but different" 354 Highway 163 South Pastor JC Cantu Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Wednesday: 7 p.m. (325) 226-3060 www.newbeginningsozona.com</p> | <p>Ozona United Methodist Church 12 - 11th St. Pastor Jean Reardon Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.</p> |
| <p>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>ATTEND THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE THIS SUNDAY</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> | <p>Templo Bautista Jerusalem 138 Blas St. Rev. Esequiel Cervantez Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday: 7 p.m.</p> | <p>Templo Siloe Assembly of God Church 2121 Santa Rosa St. Pastor Ruth & Gerson Posadas Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday Family Service: 6:30 p.m.</p> |

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All pastors of Ozona churches are invited to submit columns.

Prophecy of God Church revival this week

Prophecy of God Church invites you to an outdoor event Thursday, Sept. 24, and Friday, Sept. 25, at 7 p.m. at the South Softball Field on State Highway 163.

Evangelist Ulises Vmanzor will be the speaker. Everyone is welcome.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Sept. 23 - Luke Seahorn, Edward Segura, Michael Medina Jr., Maria Oritz, Kaitlyn Tambunga, Mariah Gallardo, Jennifer Venegas and Eva P. Bordan

Sept. 24 - Jennifer Perez, Bobby Bryson, Bryce Martin, Joe Bean, Tina Bean, Pep Talamantez, Olga Talamantez, David De La Rosa, Francisco Vasquez, Ariana Huerta, Romaldo Cervantez, Mia Hernandez and Alejandra Cruz

Sept. 25 - Zoe Perkins, Jan Patterson, Chans Moellendorf, Tiffany Talamantes, Riley Williams and Jacqueline Venegas

Sept. 26 - Sadie Childress,

Bill Carson Jr., Adam Onofre, Afton Payne, Jana Harrison, Jay Haire, Chelsea Spence and Derek DeWolfe

Sept. 27 - Ann Harmsen, Lara Sue Baggett, Zachary Polk, Betty Tambunga, Bobbie Griffin, Consuelo Garcia, Eva Vasquez, Tyler Vitela, Reese Howard and Lori A. Martinez

Sept. 28 - Sadie Davidson, Makayla Renee Flores, Mary Welty, Kimberly Balderrama, Elva Ramirez, Mari Longoria, Randy Jones, Edward Chipman Jr. and Bailey Badillo

Sept. 29 - Griselda Tambunga, Allee DeHoyos, Kodi Glosson, Kailyn Preddy and Paige Villarreal

An evening with outlaws

BY MELISSA PERNER
THE OZONA STOCKMAN

A gang of outlaws in West Texas was the subject of the Crockett County Museum's membership dinner last week.

Author and historian, Barbara Barton, spoke to a big crowd gathered at the Civic Center about her book "Den of Outlaws."

Barton has been writing books for 20 years. Along with "Den of Outlaws," she has also written "Pistol Packin' Preachers" and "Secrets of the Sherwood Courthouse."

"I enjoy history and I started with local history," she said. "I write about the good guys and the bad."

Barton grew up on a small farm along Spring Creek near Mertzon.

She enjoyed many years of teaching before starting to writing books.

"Den of Outlaws" is the tale of six outlaws that lived in West Texas, around Christoval and Knickerbocker in the 1890s.

Brothers Tom and Sam Ketchum, Will Carver, Dave Atkins, Ben Kilpatrick and Laura Bullion were the gang known for robbing trains and banks in New Mexico, Montana, Wyoming and Texas.

"Yes, there was a girl in the gang. She had a restless nature that caused her to follow the cowboys. She also chose undesirable places to work, like brothels," Barton said.

The gang took many turns. Barton said one of the gangs most famous tales was when they robbed so much gold they had to put it in a wagon because it was too heavy to fit in their saddle bags.

The gang took it to Christoval where Kilpatrick's sister lived.

Barton said the people



MELISSA PERNER | THE OZONA STOCKMAN
AUTHOR AND HISTORIAN BARBARA BARTON (left) visits with Betty King (middle) and Janet Thompson at the Crockett County Museum's membership dinner on Sept. 15 at the Civic Center.

in Christoval got wind of the gang and the gold that they followed their rainy tracks out of town.

When Atkins was captured and put on house arrest, he met up with an English horse trader named Billy Anson. Atkins worked with Anson and ended up taking horses to South Africa to fight in the Boer War from 1900-1901.

Barton said in a letter she found from Atkins, he wrote about finding prickly pear in South Africa.

The gang also spent time on the Pecos River 10 miles from Pandale down river.

Barton had a photo that a reader gave her where Tom Ketchum scratched on a rock "Tom Ketchum and between 2 rocks 10 ft. S. of here by T.K."

Sam Ketchum was killed in New Mexico by law enforcement.

Tom Ketchum left the gang after that and was eventually convicted of killing 20 men and hung in Clayton, N.M.

Kilpatrick and Carver joined the Wild Bunch in 1901 with Harry Longbaugh, also known as the Sundance Kid, Robert Parker, also known as Butch Cassidy, and Harry Logan.

Bullion also followed Carver and Kilpatrick.

Carver was killed at a store in Sonora when a local recognized him and warned the sheriff. Kilpatrick was injured.

Barton said the Sonora Sheriff auctioned off Carver's saddle, bridle and gun.

"I believe he got some pretty good prices for it," she said.

Kilpatrick and Bullion were eventually caught by police in St. Louis, Mo.

Both spent time in prison. After he was released, Kilpatrick was tried in Paint Rock, Texas for killing a person over hogs.

He was acquitted and moved to Sanderson where he met Ole Beck.

In 1912, they both were killed trying to rob a train.

Only Bullion lived to an old age of 85. She returned to Tennessee where she was in prison, worked as a seamstress and became a recluse.

"Now does crime pay? I guess that's the question," Barton said.

The Crockett County Museum carries several of Barton's books for sale.

CROCKETT COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Commission continues massive gravesite project

BY JANIE EVERETT
CROCKETT COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Crockett County Historical Commission's project of mapping and photographing gravesites in Cedar Hill and Lima Cemeteries continues under the guidance of organization secretary Janie Everett. Assisting are officers Bob Childress, president, Carmen Sutton, treasurer, and board members J.R. Kenley, Ginger Perner, Becky Montgomery and Linda and Scotty Moore.

Part of the project includes identification and marking of the corners of each cemetery block with posts supporting tiles lettered with the block and cemetery designation. Purchased by the commission, the posts and tiles are being placed in position by employees of the Crockett County Road Department under the direction of Road Superintendent Jeffrey Stuart. Once this phase is completed, maps of each cemetery area, including gravesites, will be placed in enclosures inside the entrances.

The commission's roots are in the Crockett County Historical and Scientific Commission, which was organized April 21, 1939. The purposes of this organization included collecting

and preservation in a museum "all procurable specimens and relics of historical character pertaining to this county and West Texas." The name was later shortened to Crockett County Historical Society.

Later, in 1963, a call by then Governor John Connally was made for every county judge to appoint a Historical Survey Committee. Duties of this committee were to mark and preserve local history in every county in the state. As the objectives of this group seemed to be those of the Crockett County Historical Society, Judge Brock Jones appointed officers of that group as the first Crockett County Historical Survey Committee at a meeting Jan. 19, 1963.

The committee placed historical medallions at the courthouse and Ozona National Bank, then in 1965 began concentration on preservation at Fort Lancaster. The committee's efforts, along with help from many sources, resulted in the April 16, 1968, transfer of the title to the land to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department to become a Texas State Park and Historic Site.

As a result of the work of the Historical Survey Committee, which became the Crockett

County Historical Commission in 1975, five Civil War veterans' graves and more than 19 sites and buildings have been marked in the county.

The museum was reorganized under the Crockett County Museum Board and operates as a separate organization from the commission.

The commission's book, "A History of Crockett County," was published in 1976 as a bi-centennial project and is still available for purchase as a DVD. Cost of the DVD is \$50 plus tax, shipping and handling. Orders should be sent to Crockett County Historical Commission, P.O. Box 1317, Ozona, Texas 76943-1317 with your payment.

Memorials and honorariums also may be mailed to the Crockett County Historical Commission at P.O. Box 1317, Ozona, Texas 76943-1317. Your donation will be acknowledged.

More information about the Crockett County Historical Commission can be found on its website, www.crockettcountyhistory.com, along with cemetery records and gravesite photographs compiled by Ms. Everett, other board officers and members.

OZONA GARDEN CLUB NEWS

BY CHARLOTTE HARRELL
OZONA GARDEN CLUB

Nineteen members of Ozona Garden Club and two guests met for lunch at the Hitchin' Post Restaurant for their first meeting of the 2015-2016 year. Charlotte Harrell and Pamela Maresch were hostesses. The new yearbook was reviewed with elaborations on the proposed programs made by Program Committee members Tina Bean, Belinda Wilkins, Vicki Stokes and Pamela Maresch. Mary Anne Deaton was welcomed as a new member. Our two guests were mothers of children who won the Smokey Bear-Woodsey Owl

poster contest in the past. Everyone was pleased with the delicious luncheon prepared for our group by member Debi Hamilton and her staff.

The club will not give a scholarship this year, as our previous recipient graduated and a new candidate for the scholarship was not located. Therefore, a donation to Loaves and Fishes will be in lieu of a scholarship. Loaves and Fishes will provide meals for many Ozona school children during the coming year.

Charlotte Harrell will represent Ozona Garden Club at the TGC District VIII fall meeting in Coleman Oct. 29-30.

Carmen Sutton and Be-

linda Wilkins presided over the plant auction. Fall bulbs should be available for sale at the October meeting.

Our next meeting will be Oct. 12 at Tina Bean's house. The program will feature "Best Tex" by Monty Sims, regarding fertilizers, etc.

Members attending: Marolyn Bean, Tina Bean, Arlene Clayton, Mary Anne Deaton, Debi Hamilton, Charlotte Harrell, Jeannine Henderson, Louise Ledoux, Pamela Maresch, Jean Odom, Willa Perry, Jerri Lynn Pierce, Jean Reardon, Vicki Stokes, Carmen Sutton, Belinda Wilkins, Esther Williams, Heidi Williams (and her new baby girl) and Rosalind Williams.

Meet Penny.

Penny is Meg's mom. Penny watches every penny in her family's budget. Penny gets to share her daughter's data. Pay Their Age is a great way to save a pretty penny!



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Lions, Lady Lions sweep Rocksprings Meet



JACOB CHILDRESS AND JORGE GARCIA (back) are having a great time at the OMS Hawaiian theme pep rally on Sept. 17.



THE OHS BOY'S AND GIRL'S CROSS COUNTRY TEAMS TOOK HOME THE GOLD in the Rocksprings Cross Country Meet held Saturday, Sept. 19.

The OHS Cross-Country teams travelled to Rocksprings Saturday and came home with all the team championships.

The Lady Lions were able to secure the win with some very strong performances.

McKenna Moses was the individual champion, with

Gabby Treto finishing third, Itzel Esmerado 10th, Brenna Hale 12th, Estefania Torralba 13th, Ebony Ramirez 14th, and Alyssa Newlin 20th, Madyson Hubbard 25th, Jackie Guerra 30th, and Karina Marmalejo 50th.

"It was a great race with some tough competition," said Coach John Esparza.

The Lions won their second meet in a row, with state ranked Brackett and Comstock in the field.

The Lions would place four guys in the top eight for the race and seven in the top 30.

Adrian Rodriguez would win the race followed closely by Lane Rust who would place second, Alex Hopper would place fourth and Roman Esparza eighth, Danny Posadas 25th, Noe Medina 26th and Alan Landa 30th.

Also running for the Lions were Juan Lozano and Chantz Elliott.

"We all continue to show improvement each week, and that is what this part of the season is all about, getting better each week as we make our way towards district and beyond. I was so proud of how all of our kids represented our community. It was very impressive that we had a total of 63 Ozona Cross-Country runners, grades 7-12. Again we were so proud of each and every one," Esparza said.

Congratulations from to our players of the week!



Rooting for the Ozona Lions has just gotten you a better deal on your next meal at Sonic!

That's right Lion fans your meal gets cheaper after every Varsity Home game played at Lion Stadium. For every point the Lions score, your discount is matched by your hometown Sonic.

So if the Lions score 15 points you earn a 15% discount off regular priced menu items that night after the game.

Open Late after Home Games



Damion Edgar
Offensive Player of the Week



Cade Hardy
Defensive Player of the Week



OHS Band Student of the Week



Kamryn Lozano



WEST TEXAS SCORES

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| Christoval | 39 |
| Junction | 35 |
| TLC Academy | 16 |
| Eldorado | 13 |
| Sonora | 48 |
| Harper | 14 |
| Coahoma | 63 |
| Miles | 33 |
| Mason | 44 |
| Goldthwaite | 7 |
| Reagan County | 22 |
| Forsan | 12 |
| Irion County | 35 |
| Ranger | 6 |
| Center Point | 28 |
| Rocksprings | 21 OT |
| Van Horn | 41 |
| Anthony | 21 |
| Iraan | 43 |
| McCamey | 3 |



TOMMY FAY MOVES THE BALL DOWN THE FIELD in the Varsity Lions Sept. 18 game against Grape Creek.



JV QUARTERBACK MARCUS PEREZ RUNS WITH THE BALL as #5 Bryan Salinas and #9 Donovan Hunt (r.) move forward to give him running room in the JV Lions Sept. 17 game vs. Grape Creek.

HOMEcomings GAME

Friday, Sept. 25

vs. Reagan County - 7:30 p.m. - at Lion Stadium

JUNIOR VARSITY

Thursday, Sept. 24

vs. Reagan County - 6:00 p.m. - at Big Lake

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Thursday, Sept. 24

vs. Reagan County - 5:00 p.m. - at Lion Stadium

CROSS COUNTRY

Saturday, Sept. 26

OHS Teams in San Angelo



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CROCKETT COUNTY 4-H NEWS

One Day 4-H set for Oct. 10

Crockett County will celebrate One Day 4-H on Oct. 10 from 8:30 a.m.-noon. 4-Hers will be beautifying the Interpretive Trail at the Ozona Chamber of Commerce Visitors Center. Bring gardening gloves and a hand shovel if you have them. One Day 4-H T-shirts are available. Deadline for ordering is Sept. 18. Order online at www.barefootathletics.com/cof and enter code: COF106138.

Tickets are \$10 each and the drawing will be Dec. 19. First Prize: Guided Axis Deer Hunt. Second Prize: 20 Gauge Shotgun. Third Prize: Remington 22-250 Rifle. Fourth Prize: Holland Grill. Fifth Prize: Yeti Cooler 45 quart. Remember, all participants are required to sell at least 10 tickets and there is a prize for the top seller.

FOOD & NUTRITION
The District 6 Food Show will be held Nov. 14 in Fort Stockton. County Food Show will be Oct. 24. Food and nutrition meetings are held on Mondays. Juniors at 5 p.m. and Intermediate and Seniors at 6:30 p.m. at the 4-H Office. Look out for Food Challenge Practice to begin Oct. 5.

4-H OFFICE
The Crockett County 4-H Office can be reached at (325) 392-2721 or crockettcounty@ag.tamu.edu. Aaron Renfro, CEA-AG/NR, can be reached at (325) 226-0761 or arenfro@ag.tamu.edu. Kailey Roberts, CEA-FCS, can be reached at (210) 705-2887 or kailey.roberts@ag.tamu.edu. Lydia Munoz, secretary, lydia.munoz@ag.tamu.edu. Crockett County 4-H also has a Facebook page at www.facebook.com/crockettextension.

YOUTH SHOW RAFFLE
Crockett County 4-H Youth Show Association Raffle Tickets are here.

OMS Cross-Country wins at Rocksprings

The OMS Cross-Country Teams brought home championships from Saturday's Rocksprings Meet. The OMS Lady Lions were first in their division.

Running for the Lady Lions were: 4. Kenzee Talamantez; 5. Roslynn Mendez; 6. Larissa Carrizales; 9. Norah Rodriguez; 12. Taylor Babb; 16. Shelbie Galindo; 17. Lexi Montgomery; 18. Citlalli Cano; 21. Krista Dominguez; 22. Catherine Perez; 23. Jasmine Fraire; 24. Dorisel Sanchez; 25. Wendy Mata; 27. Paige Sanchez; 28. Maddie Castro; 29. Idaly Ledezma; 30. Mayeli Gutierrez; 31. Reaghan Gonzalez; 32. Kristy Rodriguez and 33. Kemberly Hernandez.

The OMS Lions were first in their division. Running for the Lions were: 3. Dalton Cloud; 6. Manuel Torralba; 7. Zachary Talamantez; 8. Justin Yeager; 9. Humberto Torralba; 11. Aiden Fuentes; 12. Abraham Rodriguez; 13. Jesse Vega; 16.

Jose Dominguez; 20. Marco Rodriguez; 24. Raul Ramirez; 31. Joe Perez; 33. Michael Es-

parza; 35. Reece Mosqueda; 36. Jose Munoz and 37. Arlie Hernandez.

The OMS Lions and Lady Lions will run at 3:30 p.m. today (Sept. 23) at Mertzon.



THE OMS BOY'S CROSS COUNTRY TEAM WON THE GOLD in the Rocksprings Cross Country Meet held Saturday, Sept. 19.



THE OMS GIRL'S CROSS COUNTRY TEAM BROUGHT HOME THE CHAMPIONSHIP in the Rocksprings Cross Country Meet held Saturday, Sept. 19.

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Youth Center Calendar of Events

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HIGH SCHOOL: Monday: 7-10 p.m.; Tuesday: 2-7 p.m.; Wednesday: 7-10 p.m.; Thursday: 2-10 p.m.; Friday: 2 p.m.-midnight and Saturday: 2-7 p.m.
CLOSED SUNDAYS

7TH & 8TH MEAL NIGHT: Every other Tuesday 7-10 p.m.
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5TH QUARTER for all high school students Friday after the football game Sponsored by OLPH Youth Group

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EVENTS: *from page 1*

school, with the inscription "I bleed purple and gold" for Ozona, and "I bleed blue and white" for Reagan County.

Appointments can be made by visiting www.BloodHero.com or by e-mailing Dottie DeLeon at dottie.deleon@ozonastockman.net.

The annual bonfire will be held at 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 24, behind the Crockett County Senior Center.

Crockett National Bank will host their Custom-

er Appreciation Lunch honoring the Ozona Lion Football Team and Cheerleaders from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25.

All three campuses will be dismissed at noon Friday, Sept. 25. OES release times are noon for Pre-K; 12:15 p.m. for kindergarten and first grade and 12:30 p.m. for second-fifth grades.

Parade lineup will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25, at the OHS Davidson Gym. The parade will start at 3 p.m. at the OHS Davidson Gym and end at Lion Stadium for the Pep Rally.

Ozona Woman's League will hold their annual Homecoming Barbecue starting immediately after the parade at the Civic Center.

Cost is \$7 per plate for a chopped barbecue sandwich, chips, banana pudding and tea.

The Ozona Lions will face the Reagan County Owls at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25, at Lion Stadium.

A Fifth Quarter will be held after the game for all high school students at the Crockett County Youth Center sponsored by the OLPH Youth Group.

QUEEN: *from page 1*

UIL Academics, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, softball, band and color guard and is a member of the National Honor Society.

Alyssa is the daughter of Vernoica Newlin. She will be escorted by Kalen Ryan Perez.

Alyssa participates in cross-country, track, cheer-

leading, UIL Academics, band, art club, basketball and is a member of the National Honor Society.

Estefania is the daughter of Hugo and Griselda Torralba. She will be escorted by Jose Ojeda.

Estefania participates in cross-country, basketball, student council, UIL Academics, track, softball, is the class president, volunteer teacher at OLPH Catholic Church, is a

member of the band and captain of the color guard and is a member of the National Honor Society.

Dulce is the daughter of Gricelda and Jacinto Abel Rodriguez. She will be escorted by Jonathan Alexander Focha.

Dulce participates in powerlifting, FFA, student trainer, track, band, Unity Council and Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

BOARD: *from page 1*

Brownwood all have stadiums named after former coaches, and those communities have not become "name happy," he said.

"Coach Sewell deserves this honor," Orlando DeHoyos said.

McWilliams said there are others, like Sewell, which have made an impact to

the school district that also should be honored.

"The school should make something to honor all coaches and teachers," McWilliams said.

He suggested have a hall of honor, or naming the first game of the season in honor of Sewell.

McWilliams also said criteria could be set for honoring individuals.

"There's nothing unprec-

edented about Coach Sewell. We can adopt a hall of honor after this stadium is named for him," said Orlando DeHoyos. "I want to vote today. Those who vote against can live with their vote."

FIRST REPORT RATING

The board approved the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas report that had the 2014-2015 ratings based on the 2013-2014 school year.

CCCCSD received an excellent rating.

NEW BUSES

Superintendent Raul Chavarria said the new charter bus is in, and that the two new Blue Bird buses are expected to be in any day.

TASB TRAINING

Kathy London from the Texas Association of School Board conducted a policy training with the board members.

EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION

The board met in executive/closed session for about 45 minutes on personnel matters. No action was taken when the board resumed in open session.

The next regular board meeting will be 6:30 p.m. Oct. 21 at the Administration Building, 797 Avenue D. The meeting is open to the public.

OZONA MIDDLE SCHOOL TECHNOLOGY

Robotics competition theme is 'Power Up'

BY JASON DAVIS
OZONA MIDDLE SCHOOL

We are close to the end of the sixth week of the first six weeks.

In Technology Class students will review next week for the first six weeks test. The review will be very similar to the test, and students will be allowed to take it home and study. Please keep a lookout for this and encourage your student to prepare well.

A part of our technology curriculum at the middle school is typing (also known as keyboarding). Students come with a limited background of computing into middle school, and our goal is that we develop students into mature and adept computer users.

In the next month we are changing our keyboarding program to Mavis Beacon. This program helps the students learn to keep their hands on the home rows (letters "asdf" and "jkl;") and tell which finger presses the correct key outside of the home row.

It is important for students to learn to type with the proper technique and without staring at the keys. Students who cannot type proficiently end up typing very slow and have issues with accuracy. This is very difficult for students to learn at the beginning because it slows them down, and they end up having to backspace and retype letters frequently. In the grand scheme of things it is for the best. We want the students to look at the paper they are typing and trust that their fingers go to the correct keys. Please encourage your student to type correctly.

We have had some time over the last week to look at and discuss the Robotics Arena Game Manual. The manual (or directions to play) is 21 pages in length, so it takes a lot of discussion and reading to understand how to play along with the limitations forced on the competitors.

The theme of this year's game is called "Power Up," and the game board represents a battery manufac-

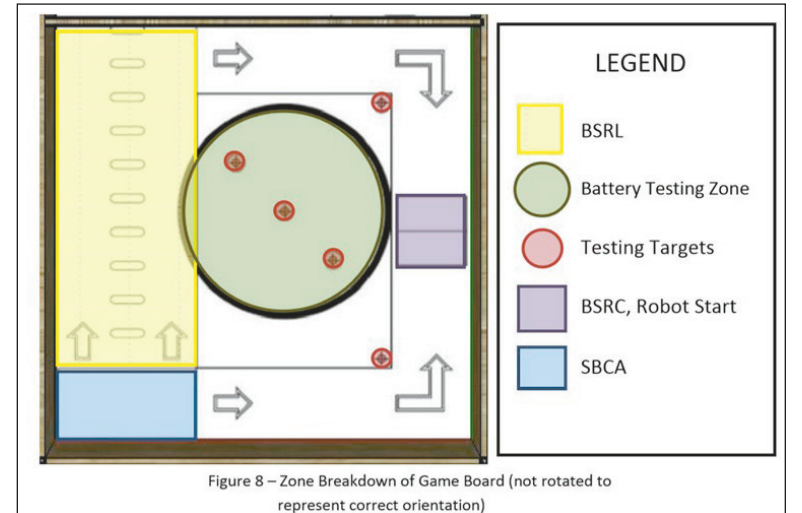
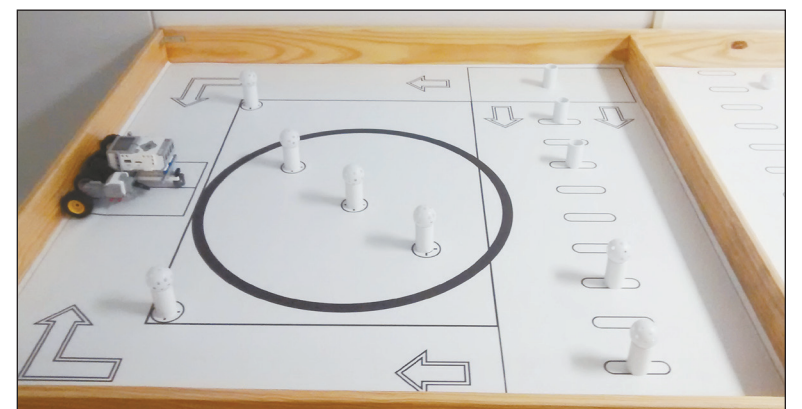


Figure 8 - Zone Breakdown of Game Board (not rotated to represent correct orientation)

JASON DAVIS | OZONA MIDDLE SCHOOL

ROBOTICS ARENA SET UP: The above photo and map show the breakdown of the game board for the robotics competition.

turing and recycling plant. Students build a robot that must fit in a 12-inch by 12-inch cube using motors and sensors and Lego pieces.

The robot is required to move battery shells (PVC couplers) into a specific area of the plant (Battery Shell Recycling Center), and super batteries (the PVC couplers with wiffle balls on top) to the Super Battery Collection Area. Points are scored for how many batteries are properly placed in each zone.

Additionally, extra points will be awarded for robots who have the Battery Testing Zone and Battery Shell Refurbishing Line completely cleared of all game pieces by the end of the match.

Finally, a lightning rod game piece must be placed on the mat to supply extra power and increase the match time limit from one minute to two minutes. Next week I will discuss the Robotics Invention Competition.

The students feel like this is doable. They do not feel what is asked of them in these rules is beyond their

reach. I think our greatest enemy to winning will be getting enough time in to build and program a robot that is able to do all of these tasks. The students are working diligently, and they seem to grasp the trial and error or fail and retry concept. Again please encourage your students, and let them know how happy you are with their efforts.

Thanks for bearing with all the schedule changes for UIL/TMSCA and Robotics.

Here is an update: Number Sense on Mondays from 3:40 to 4:30 p.m.; Science on Mondays from 7 to 8 p.m. (Science starts on Sept. 28); Calculator during lunch on Mondays and Tuesdays (when students go to lunch they are to go to the front of the line and take their lunch trays to Mr. Graves' room for practice); Mathematics from 3:40 to 4:20 p.m. on Tuesdays (Mathematics starts on Sept. 29) and Robotics on Wednesdays from 3:40 to 5 p.m. Students who are only in Robotics are welcome to come work on their robots quietly on Mondays and Tuesdays while the other practices are occurring.

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Trade Show: From 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., at the Crockett County Fair Park Convention Center. No admission.

Networking Lunch: Featuring State Representative Andrew Murr

Representative Andrew Murr was first elected in 2014 to represent District 53 in the Texas House of Representatives. The district includes Bandera, Crockett, Edwards, Kerr, Kimble, Llano, Mason, Medina, Menard, Real, Schleicher and Sutton Counties. An eighth generation Texan, he was raised on a ranch in Kimble County, and attended school in Junction.

In 2008, Representative Murr was elected Kimble County Attorney. However, he was appointed to the position of County Judge, due to a vacancy, before he was sworn in.

Representative Murr was appointed to the Texas Judicial Council August 2015. The Texas Judicial Council, created in 1929, is the policy-making body for the state judiciary, studies and reports on the organization and practices of the Judicial Branch of Texas to state government.

Representative Murr will provide a legislative update. He is on the Transportation, Cultural, Recreation and Tourism Committees, and now the Texas Judicial Council.

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SCOTTY MOORE | SPECIAL TO THE OZONA STOCKMAN

A TEXAS FOREST SERVICE PLANES works to extinguish a grass fire off of Shepherd's Trail (County Road 101) over the weekend. The fire burned 170 acres and threatened three structures. Ozona Volunteer Fire Department and the Texas Forest Service responded. OVFD said the month of August was a busiest so far 52 Calls with 43 being grass fires and 15 grass fires so far this month.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

CIERRA LEE, daughter of Becky and Donnie Lee, is doing a deer survey and count on the Wilborn Ranch. The pilot Mackey McEntire of Concho Aviation.

Wellness center town hall meeting Oct. 13

BY MELISSA PERNER
THE OZONA STOCKMAN

A town hall meeting to discuss the proposed new wellness center will be held next month.

The public meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 13 at the Crockett County Civic Center.

A bond election will be held Nov. 3 for a new jail and wellness center.

The Crockett County Jail bond will be \$6 million. The Crockett County Wellness Center Bond will be \$4 million. The two bonds will be

separate items on the ballot.

The proposed wellness center site is located across from the current Family Health Center of Ozona and the Crockett County Care Center. The land was donated by the J. Cleo Thompson Family.

The proposed center will have a 2,486 square-foot indoor pool, locker rooms, three multipurpose rooms, an open gym area and walking trail.

Early voting in the bond election will be 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Oct. 19-30 at the courthouse

annex.

Election Day voting will be 7 a.m.-7 p.m. Polling locations are Precinct 1 - Crockett County Courthouse; Precinct 2 - Crockett County Senior Center; Precinct 3 - Crockett County Civic Center; Precinct 4 - Ozona Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center.

The last day to register to vote in the Nov. 3 election is Oct. 5. Crockett County residents can register at the county tax office.

For more information about voting in Texas, visit votetexas.gov.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

TEAM ROPING Average Winners of the last roping of the Ozona Summer Series: Champion Header Hector De La Garza (left), Tell Hohman (middle) of the Consuelo Ranch furnished the livestock and Champion Heeler Will M. Black.

Texas Parks & Wildlife launch party Oct. 15

BY SHANON BIGGERSTAFF
OZONA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

On Thursday, Oct. 15, Ozona will host a launch party for Texas Parks & Wildlife, who plans to unveil the recently published Heart of Texas West Map.

One of nine in the Great Texas Wildlife Trails Program, these wildlife and birding maps will guide you to the best nature viewing spots in the state.

The Heart of Texas West Map stretches north from San Angelo down south to Laredo, west from Ozona to as far east as Austin.

Included in the map are 12 separate loops, or trails, each of which encompasses an array of wildlife, nature and birding sites.

The map furnishes information about trail locations, detailed instructions on how to reach each site and GPS coordinates where available.

Festivities, open to the general public and at no charge, will begin at 1 p.m. at the Ozona Chamber of Commerce and Visitor Center.

Texas Parks & Wildlife will make their formal announcements at 1:30 p.m., followed by an opportunity for guests to get a preview of the different attractions available to visit in West Texas.

Ever wondered what the role of the camel was in West Texas? Stop by and visit with the Texas Camel Corps and get a "selfie" with one of two camels Richard or Xi'an.

Look for a tent and a representative of Fort Lancaster who will talk with you about the history of the west and the fort.

Walk through the Crockett County Interpretive Trail. This exhibit is an interpretation of plant material in its native habitat within a 100 mile radius of Ozona.

The trail includes a Rain Harvest Exhibit explaining the process of collecting wa-



SUBMITTED PHOTO

THE TEXAS CAMEL CORP will be bringing two camels, Richard and Xi'an! with whom you can visit, or take a "selfie."

ter for landscaping, livestock watering or home use. There is also a wildlife viewing area and watering hole for birds and butterflies.

If you're more adventurous, look for the jeeps and motorcycles on site to learn about the Escondido Draw Recreation Area, an off-road vehicle park located just 20 miles west of Ozona.

If east is your direction of choice, you may want to visit with a representative of the Caverns of Sonora.

Looking for a place where you can sleep under the stars or just enjoy the great outdoors?

There will be three Nature Tourism Resorts represented to talk about the many available activities at their locations.

Are you the batty type? If so you will enjoy a chat with the staff of the Devil's Sinkhole.

These and many more attractions will have a display or exhibit set-up waiting to share the details of their sites.

For more information, call the Ozona Chamber of Commerce and Visitor Center at (325) 392-3737 or visit www.ozona.com.

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Commissioners approve tax rates

BY MELISSA PERNER
THE OZONA STOCKMAN

The Crockett County Commissioners' Court approved the 2015 tax rates for the county and the CCCSD during a special meeting Monday night.

The 2015 total tax rate is \$1.70670 per \$100 valuation. This is \$.14735 higher than last year's total tax rate.

Crockett County tax rates include the county general tax rate, \$.50509, county road and bridge, \$.09302, CCCSD local maintenance rate, \$1.06, CCCSD interest and sinking rate, \$.036 and the water rate, \$.01259.

The CCCSD interest and sinking tax rate comes from the \$3 million school bond that was passed by local voters in September 2014.

The county's tax rates will raise more taxes for maintenance and operations than last year's tax rate.

The property tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year is \$142,596.

The tax rate will effectively be raised by .18 percent and will raise taxes for maintenance and operations on a \$100,000 home by about \$108.46.

The county budget and tax rates are available to the public. Copies can be obtained from the county auditor's office at the courthouse annex.

The commissioners will hold a special meeting at noon Thursday, Sept. 24, at the courthouse annex.

Items on the agenda are discussion and action on approving specifications and putting out for bids on the new roof for the Crockett County Courthouse Annex and discussion and action on a Ramp Grant for Airport.

The meeting is open to the public.

CAVERNS: from page 1

to 730 days in a state jail. Seven hundred thirty days is the maximum sentence for a state jail felony and five years is the maximum for a probated sentence on a state jail felony.

Evidence presented during the bench trial included a 17-year-old eyewitness who observed Garcia-Gallegos break a stalagmite during their tour, the release stated. The incident occurred on May 24, 2014.

Louise Ingham testified that she asked Garcia-Gallegos to empty his pockets and he pulled five items from his pocket.

Testimony from Ingham and Bill Sawyer confirmed that four of the items were debris that could be found alongside the tour trail, but

the fifth item was freshly broken from within the cave, the release stated.

Sawyer and the eyewitness were able to find the location from which the stalagmite had been broken.

Testimony was also presented by Sawyer concerning the process and costs which will be necessary for repairs to restore the stalagmite.

During her testimony, Ingham said her family opened the caverns for public and educational purposes, and to preserve natural resources.

The Sonora Caverns has been owned by the Mayfield Family for five generations.

A Sutton County Grand Jury indicted Garcia-Gallegos on Sept. 9, 2014 on two counts for damaging the caverns, the release stated.

"The Sonora Caverns represent a precious natural resource that must be protected and preserved for future generations. The removal of even the smallest items from the caverns damages the integrity and beauty of this natural wonder," said Laurie English, 112th District Attorney.

The law concerning damage to caves within Texas was modified in 2007 and the penalty was increased from a misdemeanor to a felony after the Sonora Caverns sustained damage to the "Butterfly" which was the premier feature of the caverns.

The Mayfield Family and Sutton County Attorney David Wallace were instrumental in getting the penalty raised to a state jail felony. This is the first recorded prosecution in the State of Texas under this statute.

The Caverns of Sonora was opened to the public July 16, 1960. It is located off of Interstate-10, 15 miles southwest of Sonora.

The Caverns of Sonora marks the halfway point between San Antonio and Big Bend National Park.

For more information, visit www.cavernsofsonora.com or call (325) 387-3105.

CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT Weekly Activity Report

| Type of Calls | Count |
|---|-------|
| Livestock/wild/domestic animal complaints | 1 |
| 911 medical/fire assistance | 3 |
| Civil complaints | 4 |
| Civil documents served | 3 |
| Criminal complaints/disturbances/loud noise | 12 |
| Juvenile/School | 1 |
| Motorist assist/locked vehicle | 11 |
| Reckless driving/speeding complaints | 3 |
| Minor/major traffic accidents | 4 |
| Alarms | 4 |

OFFENSE REPORTS/ARRESTS:

- 9-14-15**
- DPS Troopers arrested Israel Galvan, of Austin, on an out of county warrant. Subject was arraigned and released on bond.
 - Sheriff's deputies responded to a verbal argument on Avenue F. No charges were filed.
- 9-16-15**
- DPS Troopers arrested Rodolfo Villareal, of Los Indios, Texas, on a charge of driving while intoxicated-third or more. Subject was arraigned and released on bond.
 - Sheriff's deputies responded to the

Stripes Store on Sheffield Road on reference to a theft of cigarettes.

DPS Troopers arrested Teddy Chapa, of San Antonio, on a charge of possession of marijuana less than two ounces. Subject was arraigned and released on bond.

9-17-15

- Sheriff's deputies took a report of a theft of a weight set from a residence on Avenue E.

9-18-15

- Sheriff's deputies responded to a father and son argument on Mulberry Street. The issue was resolved.
- Crockett County Sheriff's Department served an arrest warrant for assault family violence on Benito Ybarra Gutierrez, of Ozona, while in custody in Upton County. Subject remains in custody.

9-19-15

- Sheriff's deputies responded to a domestic disturbance on Santa Rosa. An investigation is ongoing.
- Sheriff's deputies responded to the Dollar General for a report of criminal mischief.

Murr announces re-election

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ANDREW MURR

State Rep. Andrew Murr, R-Junction, announced last week that he will seek a second term in the Texas House.

Murr said he is proud to serve the people of District 53 in the Texas Legislature and that he is pleased he was able to follow through with many of his campaign goals from the 2014 election.

"It was a very challenging legislative session, but I'm happy to report that we passed a fiscally conservative, balanced budget while still adding funding for education, border security, transportation and child protection," Murr said. "We protected the rainy day fund, cut taxes, and had one of the most conservative legislative sessions in memory. We also increased transparency in the state's budget by eliminating accounting gimmicks and requiring dedicated funds to be used for their intended purposes."

As a member of the important House Transportation

Committee, Murr was instrumental in guiding two transportation bills through the committee process and a near unanimous vote on the house floor. SRJ 5, which originated in the Senate, will (if approved by voters in November as a constitutional amendment) increase funding for road construction and transportation projects without increasing taxes, and HB 20 will streamline the process of approving transportation projects to eliminate waste and inefficiency.

In addition to being an effective legislator in the committee room, Murr also authored or co-authored several new laws which will increase transparency in state budgeting, better safeguard our private property rights, protect life in all of its forms, and further enhance Second Amendment protections. With vital issues such as water, roads and local control continuing to dominate this rural region of Texas, Murr spends substantial time interacting with local officials and property owners in the Hill Country, South Texas and West Texas.

House District 53 includes Bandera, Crockett, Edwards, Kimble, Kerr, Llano, Mason, Medina, Menard, Real, Schleicher and Sutton Counties and covers about 15,000 square miles.

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unemployment rate was at 5.1 percent in August, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Leisure and Hospitality led all major industries in Texas with an expansion of 5,900 jobs in August. The Professional and Business Services industry added 4,000 positions over the month, and Construction gained 3,200 jobs in August. Other Services, which includes religious and civic organizations, personal services and repair businesses, added 600 jobs in August.

Texas Workforce Commission Chair Andres Alcantar said the state's low unemployment rate "demonstrates the resilience and strength of the Texas economy."

TEXAS EARNS TOP RATING
A 2015 Global Location Trends Facts & Figures report by IBM ranks Texas the No. 1 state in the U.S. for foreign and domestic investment, based on number of jobs.

Released last week, the report examines what drives companies to relocate or locate new operations and facilities around the world.

Gov. Greg Abbott on Sept. 15 commented on the report, saying: "Texas is a state best characterized by its competitive advantage in diversity of talent, market and economic resources and it's no surprise we've again been named a top state for investment."

CHILD SEATS EMPHASIZED
Texas Department of

Transportation last week reported that in 2014, crashes on Texas roads killed 81 children younger than 8 years of age. In 2013 the death toll for children in the same age bracket was 67.

Texas law requires all children under 8 years old, unless they are taller than 4 feet 9 inches, to be in a child safety seat whenever they ride in a passenger vehicle. Failure to properly restrain a child can result in a ticket up to \$250.

TxDOT conducted free child safety seat checks at the agency's 25 statewide district offices as part of national Child Passenger Safety Week, Sept. 13-19.

HOUSTON IS ADDED TO LIST

U.S. Department of Homeland Security on Sept. 15 announced the adding of Houston and Chicago to the federal agency's Domestic Nuclear Detection Office's Securing the Cities program. The program reportedly is designed to help detect radiological and nuclear threats and protect major metropolitan areas against terrorist attacks.

According to Census Bureau 2014 estimates, Houston, at 2.24 million people, is the nation's fourth-largest city. Chicago, rated third largest, had a population of 2.72 million in 2014.

On Sept. 15 Texas Department of Public Safety Director Steven McCraw said the program "offers state and local agencies vital resources to help prepare in protecting against radiological or nuclear terrorist attacks."

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- TX "Babe" Mildred _____ Didrikson
- residents of TX's Wortham World of Primates
- TXism: "whipper snappers"
- TX Audie Murphy's "To Hell _____ Back"
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- Dallas' _____ Thornton Freeway
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- strike breakers
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PUBLIC NOTICE

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTIFICATION BY PUBLICATION

FIRST NOTIFICATION

Vehicle Stored at Sheffield Towing Storage Facility: 2014 Hyundai Sonata; Plate#: 799LIJ; VIN: 5NPE-B4AC7EH846572 Total Charges: \$890 includes towing charges, \$50 notification fee \$20 impound fee, \$20 per day storage and tax. Vehicle is stored at Sheffield Towing Service, 900 Garrett St. Sheffield, Texas 79781, 432-836-4623 phone; 888-655-9064 fax; TDLR Storage Facility License# 0641691VSF.

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SECOND NOTIFICATION

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