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CCCCSD \$5 million school bond, state constitutional amendments pass

BY MELISSA PERNER THE OZONA STOCKMAN

CCCCSD's \$5 million school bond passed, along with seven State Constitutional Amendments during Tuesday's election.

The school bond passed with 341 votes for and 171 votes against.

Early voting totals had 179 votes for and 79 against.

Election Day voting had Precinct 1 - 30 for, 16 against; Precinct 2 - 37 for, 31 against; Precinct 3 - 54 for, 30 against; Precinct 4 - 41 for, 15 against. There were a total of 518

votes cast in the election. The bond will be used to make up the district's \$2 mil-

Aid for Tax Reduction funding that was cut by the state.

Superintendent Raul Chavarria said the district plans to purchase a truck for the agriculture department, maintain computer labs, purchase new computers and support for all campuses, purchasing teaching equipment and supplies

lion loss of Additional State for student use for all campuses, update the career and technology classes as nursing, food science and agriculture, address maintenance repairs throughout the district and continue with the updating of existing teaching housing.

"On behalf of the CCCCSD Board of Trustees, staff and especially the kids of Crockett County Schools, I want to Board and our entire learning thank our voters for approving a very important bond for our district. As promised, we are committed to running a conservative district putting our kids needs first and foremost. The spending of all funds, and your hard earned tax dollars will be frugal. Tonight's result shows that the CCCCSD

community values the education of our students." Chavarria said.

Crockett County voters followed statewide voters in passing all seven constitutional amendments. For statewide results, visit the Texas Secretary of State's website at www. sos.state.tx.us.

Lions finish fifth at state

Esparza places eighth as an individual at Round Rock



THE OHS LIONS CROSS-COUNTRY TEAM ran to a fifth place finish at the UIL Class 2A State Meet Saturday at Old Settlers Park in Round Rock. Senior Roman Esparza led the Lions with an eighth place finish. More photos and results, page 6.

Lions secure second place playoff spot with win over Christoval

BY MELISSA PERNER THE OZONA STOCKMAN

CHRISTOVAL - The Ozona Lions secured a second place playoff spot with a 42-26 win Friday night against the Cougars.

"We are guaranteed the No. 2 seed in the playoffs with this win. With a win against Anthony, and a Christoval win against McCamey, we will have a share of the district championship along with the No. 1 seed in the playoffs," said Athletic Director and Coach Kyle Freeman.

The Lions (5-4 overall, 2-1 in district play) scored 21 points in the first quarter.

Sophomores Sebastian De La Cruz and Alec Lara each

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DARIO RODRIGUEZ (#8) grabs a Christoval player during Friday's district game at Christoval. Also pictured are Austin Damian and Joe Salas. The Lions defeated the Cougars 42-26.

Veterans Day events, closings

With Veterans Day being Saturday, Nov. 11, many events will be taking place Friday, Nov. 10.

Crockett County CCSD has planned a morning full of events:

· 8:30-9:15 a.m. Breakfast at Ozona Middle School Library provided by OMS.

· 10:30 a.m. Program presented by OHS at Ozona High School Auditorium.

· 11:30 a.m. Lunch provided by OES at the Ozona Elementary School Library.

The annual Veterans Day Appreciation Meal will be held at 5:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 10, at the Civic Center. The meal is free for veterans and their spouse. All others guests \$5 donation.

The Crockett County Museum also has its annual Veterans Exhibit on display during November. Everyone is invited to tour the museum and see the display.

The museum is updating information on local military members.

Information can be sent to ccmuseum@wcc. net, (325) 450-8717 or (325) 392-2837.

"We encourage everyone wherever you are at to take the time to pause



on Nov. 11 at 11 a.m. from whatever you are doing and remember all those veterans that are among us that served our country, our fallen heroes and always remember those that are still currently in arms way," said Frank Tambunga, Crockett County Veteran. "Their involvement in the communities is central to our nation's success."

Businesses that will be closed Friday, Nov. 10, in observance of Veterans Day are Crockett County Offices, the Crockett County Public Library, U.S. Postal Service and local banks.

Many county offices and the library will close at noon Thursday, Nov. 9.

Commissioners approve cemetery lots

BY MELISSA PERNER THE OZONA STOCKMAN

The commissioners approved to open up additional lots at Cedar Hill Ceme-

At a special meeting Monday, the commissioners approved for the lots to be opened up in the east part of the cemetery.

Anyone interested in the lots can talk to District and County Clerk Ninfa Preddy.

Lots are available on a first-come first-serve basis,

Preddy said. For more information, call the clerk's office at (325) 392-2022.

The commissioners approved to purchase Precor Fitness Equipment from Marathon Fitness through BuyBoard for a purchase price of \$148,608.31 for the new J. Cleo Thompson Wellness Center.

The purchase comes at the recommendation of the wellness center board.

Payment for the fitness equipment will come from the bond funds. Around \$175,000 has been budgeted out of the bond funds

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OHS LIONS VS ANTHON 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AT LION STAI



Cattle raisers can find points of interest in tax reform framework

President Donald Trump has been working to boost the U.S. economy and bring jobs back to this country since his election in November 2016. Since taking office in January 2017, he has attempted to fund federal tax reform with dollars freed up from the repeal of Obamacare and with taxes on imported business inputs.

Neither of these efforts have been successful, which means the White House and Republican leaders have a tremendous challenge to overcome if they want to reform the taxes we pay as individuals and business owners. The dollars my family are able to keep in our business are dollars we will invest in ranching and in the businesses that support our ranch.

My family ranches south of San Angelo. My son is working there now, learning



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how to run things and be a part

of continuing our family business. Meanwhile, I spend days in my law office in San Antonio and in San Angelo working on behalf of my family and on behalf of ranching clients who, just like us, are trying to keep a family business going.

I've been fortunate to serve as chair of the Property Rights and Tax Committee of Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA), and to continue to serve as a director. Watching what Washington does with our personal and business taxes is of great personal interest and I know any

changes made by federal leaders are of great interest to my fellow cattle raisers.

So, even though President Trump has hit some snags with funding federal tax reform, he has not given up.

On Sept. 27, the White House and Republican leaders of Congress and the leaders of the House Ways and Means and Senate Finance Committees released a short, readable document called "Unified Framework for Fixing our Broken Tax Code." I highly recommend that you download and read the document. Type the title into

any internet search engine to find it. The House also recently released additional details of their plan, although those details are sure to change as negotiations progress.

The builders of the framework want to simplify individual tax rates. Right now, we have seven tax brackets that range from 10 percent to 39.6 percent. The authors recommend four tax brackets - 12, 25, 35 and 39.6 percent. They also substantially increased the standard deduction for married couples filing jointly to \$24,000, up from

\$12,000. They recommend the same treatment for individual filers, increasing the standard deduction to \$12,000, up from

Most itemized deductions are eliminated under the new proposal. From what I have read and learned, their thinking is that most of deductions we have today will be unnecessary because the tax rates will be going down and we simply won't need them. However, the authors retain the deductions for home mortgage interest, state

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Community Resources for our Veterans

s we approach another Veteran's Day it is time for me once again to take over the Hurd on the Hill column. As a reintroduction, I am a ten-year army veteran, Purple Heart Recipient, the Director of Constituent Services for Congressman Hurd, and I manage all military and VA issues, as well as jokingly serve as Will's "stuntman". In my first Hurd on the Hill column back in 2015, I thanked my fellow veterans and their families across the 23rd District of Texas for their willingness to answer our country's call. Last year, I told my personal story about my passion in serving veterans and highlighted some of our amazing veteran residents continuing to serve our community in various ways. This year, I want to highlight some of our great veterans organizations and the service es they provide to veterans and their families every day.

I have spent each day with veterans in every town from San Antonio to El Paso, and what stands out to me the most is the number of vet erans I meet who still have a deep passion to serve within local non-profits, their churches and as volunteers in their communities.

As many of you know, the 23rd District spans 29 counties, two time zones and takes eight and a half hours to drive across at 80 mph (the speed limit in most areas). Covering a territory that vast is a challenge, and there is no way our office could assist our veterans without the assistance of Veteran Service Organizations and various non-profits. If you are unaware, the Texas Veterans Commission is the state agency tasked with assisting veterans, and each county is served by a County Service Officer. Your County Service Officer can help with filing claims, explaining VA benefits, and assisting surviving family members after a veteran is put to rest. They also keep our office informed of trends and concerns that they are seeing across their counties. The County Service Officers in TX-23 do a great job of voicing their concerns and regularly communicating with our office to advo-

cate for veterans issues. Next, there are our Veteran Service Organizations like the VFWs, American Legions, Military Order of the Purple Heart, American GI Forum, the USO, Disabled American



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Veterans. American Veterans, Military Peer Network and Vietnam Veterans of America. They have been instrumental in bringing projects to our office and rais-

ing our awareness to special individuals and veteran happenings in their areas. For example, our VSOs made our office aware of WWI Veteran Marcelino Serna who we had the pleasure of memorializing by renaming the Tornillo Port of Entry in his honor. VSOs have also coordinated memorial services for Vietnam Veterans whose remains were recently returned and awarding the Bronze Star with Valor devices to the family of a Uvalde veteran.

Lastly, there are veteran non-profits that operate throughout our district, each with their own mission and niche. Organizations such as The Mission Continues and Team Red White and Blue help veterans from our most recent wars get involved in community service and share their stories with the civilian populations in their communities. Women's veteran groups such as Grace After Fire and Women's Veterans of San Antonio provide a platform for our growing number of women's veterans to address their unique experiences. Equally important are local veterans who meet weekly or monthly to share a meal, coffee and fellowship, and keep each other informed.

If you or someone you know is a veteran in TX-23, know that you are not alone. There are formal and informal groups that you can reach out to for assistance, information, service opportunities or just a pleasant conversation. Our office is happy to share resources and put you in contact with an organization near you. To all the County Service Officers, VSOs and veteran non-profits, thank you for your service and more importantly, thank you for your continued, long, proud tradition of service.

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Visiting Dignitaries

Like chuck-line riding cowboys of yesteryear, they go from ranch to ranch, carrying the news and performing a job no one else wants, let alone can do. Other than a few cowboy poets and purebred bull auctioneers, they are the only celebrities we have in the cow business. These VIP's rank above truck drivers, hay balers, farm advisors, and bankers in status and these coveralled celebrities play a leading role at every ranch, feedlot or auction market in the country. Of course, I'm referring to large animal veterinarians who keep our animals healthy and us informed.

When these friends come to the ranch to preg check, bangs heifers, or treat a horse for colic they receive visiting dignitary status. Life on a big ranch can get lonely, with little contact with the outside world so when a vet honors you with a visit the cow boss might even shave and the lady of the manor might bake up a batch of her delicious chocolate chip cookies.

I've never met a bad vet but there are degrees of greatness and there are ways to tell if you are lucky enough to have a rock star vet. The best way to tell is if they're late. The great ones always are. If your vet is always prompt I'd be saving up to buy a backhoe to bury all his or her mistakes. And remember, good vets drive dirty trucks; the dirtier the truck, the better the vet.

I've found that good vets, like good welders, can be a bit on the grumpy side. I don't know if it's the pain from a broken



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knee cap a cow gave them, or if it's genetic. Maybe they're just mad at themselves for becoming a large animal vet instead of specializing in small animals where they could work in air conditioned comfort and the biggest danger is an ankle-biting dachshund.

Great vets are rarely closely shaven and if yours looks like he's been up since two am, he probably has. Large ani-

mal vets vets don't wear neckties to work and if your lady vet comes wearing freshly starched coveralls and clean rubber boots I'd start that backhoe up if I were you. Most great vets are humble folk but you'd be surprised how many have vanity license plates with self-deprecating messages like Golden Arm, Cow Doc or Horse Kilr. Good cow doctors aren't much for small talk. Mostly they speak in grunts. They don't take vacations, have few hobbies and they don't team rope. Not that they can't, it's just that if they rope something they AL-WAYS want to get paid for it, not just when they win a jackpot somewhere.

Good vets don't bring their dog with them and don't be surprised to see one holding their phone with one hand giving advice to another rancher while their other arm is up the rear end of one of your cows. They are great multi-taskers. One reason vets are late is because they had to fix a squeeze chute on the fly with rusty baling wire at the visit before yours. My vet was never too busy to float a horses' teeth, rebuild part of my corrals, booster my dog or dress out a dead lamb that wasn't all his fault.

You'll find that not all of their methods are taught in school. When they put a prolapse back where it belongs they might also put a Mason jar filled with water inside to weigh it down so the big pink blob won't fall out again.

Frequently the good Doctor's team includes his wife who is holding down the fort back at the clinic. She makes all the appointments and is the real brains of the outfit.

Great vets enjoy their work, although they'd never admit it. In offering a prognosis, unlike an M.D., they are brutally honest and they don't use a big word when a smaller one will do just fine. If you pay close attention you'll learn more practical knowledge from your vet than you did in four years of college.

After several years in the business your vet may appear jaded and hardened, tempered like steel, and I'll admit that not all vets have the best bedside manor. But on the other hand, they might purposely forget to send you a bill for putting your old dog to sleep.

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Proclamation honors World Series winning Houston Astros

AUSTIN — Gov. Greg Abbott proclaimed Nov. 3 as Houston Astros Day, honoring the American League champions for winning the 2017 Major League Baseball World Series.

The Astros won their fourth game in the best-ofseven Series against the National League champion Los Angeles Dodgers on Nov. 1. It's the first World Series championship for the Houston Astros in the 55-year history of the franchise and the first for a Texas team. Players wore "Houston Strong" patches on their uniforms in honor of those affected by Hurricane Harvey's widespread devastation. More than one million fans lined the streets of downtown Houston Nov. 3 to see the players hoist the championship trophy during a victory parade.

"This victory is a great honor for the Astros and the Houston community, which has been severely impacted by, and continues to recover in the aftermath of, Hurricane Harvey. Like the Astros, Texans are known for their spirit and resolve, and in the wake of Harvey's devastation, we were able to see the persevering nature of Texans on full display. This championship will serve as inspiration to a city and state that is passionate about its sports," Abbott wrote.

Abbott on Oct. 24 continued the long tradition of governors by making a friendly wager with California Gov. Jerry Brown on the outcome of the Series. Abbott offered a six-pack of Houston-brewed beer and Texas barbecue. Brown offered a selection of wine from his state's Sonoma, Napa and Mendocino counties that were impacted severely by recent wildfires.

FLAGS TO BE AT HALF-STAFF Gov. Abbott on Nov. 5 or-

STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling | Texas Press Association dered that flags across Tex-

as be lowered to half-staff

memory of those who lost

through sunset on Nov. 9 in

tonio. Some 26 people were reported killed and dozens injured when a lone gunman opened fire with an assault rifle in a church while members attended Sunday morning services on Nov. 5. The gunman, identified as Devin Patrick Kelley of New Braunfels, was found with a gunshot wound, dead in his truck sev-

REVENUE TOTAL COMES IN

State Comptroller Glenn Hegar on Nov. 2 reported that state sales tax revenue totaled \$2.46 billion in October, an amount 6.9 percent more than he reported in October 2016.

Receipts from the mining and manufacturing sectors led sales tax revenue growth, and most other economic sectheir lives in a mass shooting tors also grew modin Sutherland Springs, a town erately compared 20 miles southeast of San Anto the same month last year. Hurricane Harvey does not appear to have had a significant net effect on state sales tax revenue, he added. PLEASE SEE STATE, PAGE 8

eral miles from the scene.

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NEWS

Business of the Month: Kerbow Funeral Home

BY SHANON BIGGERSTAFF OZONA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Kerbow Funeral Home is owned and operated by Bruce and Evelyn Kerbow.

Bruce has been a licensed Funeral Director and Embalmer for over 30 years.

Kerbow Funeral Home has several employees including Raymond P. "Bear" Borrego, Alda, Adrienne and Amber Dehoyos, Sylvia Longoria and Jovita Perez.

The funeral home is located in the Old Ozona Hotel at 502 E. 9th Street. Built in 1893, this hotel was established to board teachers, visiting athletic teams and business visitors to the town. The building is in the registry of Historical Sites through the Texas Historical Commission.

Kerbow Funeral Home offers at need burials and cremations and also can help with pre-planning and prepaying funerals and crema-

Monuments are also available along with monument cleaning.

"Kerbow Funeral Home is proud to be a member of the Ozona Chamber of Commerce and is also proud to support the local events,



KERBOW FUNERAL HOME has been named the Business of the Month by the Ozona Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. Pictured are: (front row, left to right) Bruce and Evelyn Kerbow, Jovita Perez and Raymond P. "Bear" Borrego; (back row, left to right) Adrienne DeHoyos, Alda DeHoyos, Sylvia DeHoyos-Longoria and Amber DeHoyos.

public schools, Lions and Lady Lions and to purchase the flags for the deceased veterans buried in Lima and Cedar Hill cemeteries. We feel it is important to be apart of the community. Evelyn and I, and our staff, are

humbled by this recognition," said owner Bruce Ker-

The Ozona Chamber of Commerce would like to recognize and thank Kerbow Funeral Home for the service they provide to the community.

For more information, available 24/7, call (325) 206-0597 or email: kerbow-FH1@verizon.net.

You may also visit their web site at www.kerbowfuneralhome.com.

OZONA SENIOR HAPPENINGS

Next Bingo Social Nov. 20

BY BRENDA NEWTON SENIOR CENTER DIRECTOR

Here we are again praying for people in trouble. I'm getting to where I do not want to listen to the news. What is the matter with people? In a church, no less, bless all the people that lost love ones and prayers for the ones in-

I still have copies of the Senior Sourcebook for 2017 that lists all the services available for us older folks.

Niki should be here next week. If you have forgotten the time, it is 10:30 a.m. Tuesday. We are looking forward to having her back on a regular basis. Her exercises are so helpful for people our age and she will be keeping your vital signs on record for you. Come on, give it a try.

I have had a few puzzles brought to the center. Thanks for that. Please do not throw your puzzles away. Let us have them. Thanks.

We still have Bingo on Thursday afternoons at 2 p.m. Bring your nickels and play as many cards as you can handle at a nickel a card per game. We serve Cokes and popcorn and laugh and hope we get a bingo. We have a sweet person that gives us prizes for the blackout bingo. She has made our bingo a lot more fun. Thanks.

The next Bingo Social will be 6:30 p.m. Nov. 20. We will be serving Hobo Stew with cornbread made by JoAnn Babbitt, Linda Rodriquez and Belinda Wilkins. For dessert we will have peach cob-

If you missed my secret last week, here it is again: Buy a can of mosquito spray (the personal spray) and save a couple of dryer sheets from your laundry. Spray your headlights with the spray and wipe with the drver sheet. Bright and shiny just like new. I know because I tried it myself.

The center will open at 8:30 a.m. and close at 4:30

Monday - 9:30 a.m. Balance Exercise

Tuesday - 10:30 a.m. Exercise with Niki Bishop (skip next week)

Wednesday - 1:30 p.m. Mexican Train; 3 p.m. Prayer

Thursday - 9 a.m. Balance Exercise; 9:30 a.m. Quilting; 2 p.m. Bingo

Friday - Open Come on out, the coffee is on.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Wednesday, Nov. 8

- OES Pride Lunch for Kindergarten, Second and Fourth Grades
- Mexican Train, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center
- Prayer Group, 3 p.m. at the Senior Center

Thursday, Nov. 9

- Ozona Lions QB Club, 6:15 a.m. at Mi Familia Restaurant
- Balance Exercise Class, 9 a.m. at the Senior Center
- Quilting, 9:30 a.m. at the Senior Center
- County offices and the public library closing at noon in observance of Veterans Day
- OES Teacher Appreciation Luncheon hosted by OES PTO
- Bingo, 2 p.m. at the Senior Center
- OHS Senior Slide Show, 6 p.m. at the OHS Auditorium

Friday, Nov. 10

- End of the Second Six Weeks at Ozona Schools
- Crockett County Offices, the Crockett County Public Library, U.S. Post Office and local banks closed in observance for Veterans Day
- CCCCSD Veterans Day events 8:30 a.m. Breakfast at OMS, 10:30 a.m. Program at OHS, 11:30 a.m. Lunch at OES
- Exercise Class, 9:30 a.m. at the Senior Center
- OES Perfect Attendance Party, 1:45 p.m. at OES
- Pep Rally, 3 p.m. at OHS Davidson Gym
- Veterans Day Appreciation Meal, 5:30 p.m. at the Civic Center
- Senior Night, 6 p.m. cake at field house
- OHS Lions vs Anthony, 7:30 p.m. at Lion Stadium • Fifth Quarter, after the football game at the Civic Center. Sponsored by New Begin-

Saturday, Nov. 11

Veterans Day

nings Ozona

Sunday, Nov. 12

• 4-H Food Challenge Practice, 1:30 p.m. Intermediates and Seniors, 2:15 p.m. Juniors at the OMS Cafeteria

Monday, Nov. 13

- Crockett County Commissioners' Court, 9 a.m. at the courthouse annex
- Balance Exercise Class, 9:30 a.m. at the Senior Center
- Financial Peace University, 5:30 p.m. at the Crockett County Extension Office

Tuesday, Nov. 14

- Exercise with Niki Bishop, 10:30 a.m. at the Senior Center
- OHS JV and Varsity Lady Lions vs Iraan, 5 p.m. at the OHS Davidson Gym
- County 4-H Food Show, 6 p.m. at the Civic Center
- OMS One-Act Play public performance of "Cinderella," 6 p.m. at the OHS Auditorium

Wednesday, Nov. 15

- OES Pride Lunch for Pre-K, First, Third and Fifth Grades
- 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

Nov. 8 - Dan Harrison, Addison Borrego, Anthony David Delgado, Dan Pullen, Stephanie Cervantes and Kristin Wilha

Nov. 9 - Landry Myers, Johnathan Rivas, Thelma Vitela, Cat Sessom, Hilda Camarillo and Pat Nicks

Nov. 10 - Raynee Ybarra, Landon Martinez, Lisa Harmsen, Frank Paradez, Jason Moran, Ashley Anderson, Arron Garza, Maurice Briones and Michael Medina Jr.

Nov. 11 - Lynn English,

Tina Moran, Katie Perner, Oliver O'Bryan, Amanda Guerra, Martha Landin, Colton Mc-Dowell, Ronald Higginbottom Jr. and John Ross Brooks

Nov. 12 - Travis Davidson, Ernie Hernandez, Jimmy Hokit, Dana Duncan, Roland Galindo Jr. and Gabriela Rodriguez

Nov. 13 - Minnie Ramirez and Arty Gonzales

Nov. 14 - Ricky Martinez, Margaret Jones, Santa Castro, Britni Mitchel and Makalia McDowel







Friends of the Library Drawing!

First Prize - iPad Mini Second Prize - \$100 Amazon Gift Card Third Prize - Amazon Echo Dot \$5 per ticket

Tickets are available at the library

Drawing will be held 8:50 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 7, 2017 at the Crockett County Public Library Need not be present to win

Crockett County Public Library 1201 Avenue G • Ozona, Texas (325) 392-3565 http://crockett.ploud.net Facebook page: **Crockett County Public Library. HOURS** Monday: 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday: 9 a.m.-8 p.m.



Ask about our new children's program Wednesday & Thursday: 9 a.m.-6 p.m. ABCmouse.com for kids ages 2-8! Friday: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.



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.

NOV. 8

Salisbury steak, baked potato, Capri vegetables, bread, banana pudding with wafers and milk.

NOV. 9

Pork cutlet paprikash, butter beans, glazed carrots, wheat bread, fruited gelatin and milk.

NOV. 10

Cilantro lime chicken, garden blend rice, sauted yellow squash, wheat bread, oatmeal cookie and milk.

NOV. 13

Barbecue chicken breast, hot potato salad, baked beans, tangy coleslaw, frosted cake and milk.

NOV. 14

Braised steak and tomatoes, macaroni and cheese, cauliflower, wheat bread, pineapple tidbits and milk.

NOV. 15

Pasta with meat sauce, Parmesan roasted broccoli, tossed salad with dressing, garlic bread, diet ambrosia cup and milk.

NOV. 16

Arroz con pollo, pinto beans, Mexican squash, angel food cake with strawberries and milk.



Baby Selections

have been made by:

Megan Bullard

Bridal Selections

Elizabeth Rodriguez

bride-elect of
Mark Ybarra

Taylor Baker bride-elect of Bobby Cervantez

Petals & Pearls
701 1st St. 325-392-3978

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.

Kerbow Funeral Home

Ozona National Bank

Lowe's Market

Holiday Hands arts and crafts fair seeking vendors

The 12th Annual Holiday Hands Christmas Arts & Crafts Fair with be held on Thursday, Dec. 7 at the Crockett County Civic Center.

If you have holiday hands for creating art, crafts, or food items, you are invited to reserve a booth at the Christmas fair. Indoor 10 x 10 space rental is \$30. Outdoor space is also available.

All rental and ticket proceeds go to support Ozona "Meals on Wheels" program.

For more information or to register, call Corba at (325) 392-3302 or (325) 206-2331.

Knights of Columbus Thanksgiving Meal Nov. 19

The annual Knights of Columbus Community Thanksgiving Meal will be from 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 19, at the Civic Center.

The meal is open to everyone, but people ages 60 and over are free. Anyone else the cost is a donation.

Proceeds benefit the Ozona Knights of Columbus.

OBITUARIES

Brenda Fish

Brenda Fish, 64, left her earthly body on Tuesday, October 31, 2017. Brenda was born on October 4, 1953 in Sonora, Texas to Bob Granger and Ora Faye Crites. She was a dedicated wife to James M. (Jim) Fish of Ozona, Texas.

Her and Jim's relationship grew strong over their 38-plus years, surviving the many setbacks and pitfalls of life by always seeking out solutions and ever moving forward. Jim's love for Brenda sustains him still and reminds him... "it is better to have loved and lost than to have never loved at all."

She was a devoted and adored mama to her three children, Cody, Cami and Kyle. She was also considered a "second mom" to several nieces, nephews, and friends and played an integral part in their early memories and upbringing. She took great pleasure in watching her boys play football and could be found many Friday nights in the bleachers jumping up and down while cheering them on. She also enjoyed crafting and would spend countless hours sewing outfits and often stayed up all night creating spirited costumes for her daughter. She was a remarkable Nanny to all of her grand babies. They often looked forward to spending time at "Nanny's house." She was an immaculate housekeeper and made the best fried chicken, apricot pound cake, banana nut bread, chicken-fried venison and sweet tea in Texas.

She was a true embodiment of kindness in her many displays of care and concern for others in all facets of her life. Empathy was her strength.

She never turned away anyone in need, "We may be a little crowded, but we will make it work," and she always did. She made everyone feel welcome in her home.

Brenda was a waitress at Sutton County Steakhouse in Sonora for over 20 years.



Later, she cared for residents for over 13 years as a CNA at Crockett County Care Center in Ozona where she retired in 2013.

She was a Christian and attended First Baptist Church of Sonora and enjoyed visiting various other churches throughout her life.

Brenda is survived by her husband, Jim; son: Cody Bush and wife Mistie of Grandview, Texas; son: James Kyle Fish and wife Jackie of Fort Hood; and daughter: Cami Williams of Lewisville, Texas.

Brenda's nine grandchildren: Rhett and wife Jaron, Quealy, Grady, Trista, Jayce, Jaelie, Tatum, Taylor and Denton. Her three greatgrandchildren: Addison, Jett, and Rylynn.

Jett, and Rylynn.

She is also survived by her father: Bob Granger of San Angelo, Texas. Her loving siblings (known as the "5 Bs" during their school years), twin brother: Bobby Granger of Andrews; sister: Barbara Boyd and husband Steve of Center, Texas; brother: Benny Granger and wife Shana of Andrews, Texas; and sister: Bernice Holder of Montgomery, Texas.

She also leaves behind numerous beloved nieces, nephews, extended family and many friends.

She is preceded in death by her "Mom", Ora Faye (Crites) Stephens and beloved niece Brittney Granger.

Please join us in honoring her memory on Friday, November 17, 2017 at First Baptist Church of Sonora, Texas at 4 p.m.

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.

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DEATH NOTICES

Willie Gallardo II

Willie Gallardo II, 48, died Monday Sept. 25, 2017. Funeral service was Monday, Nov. 6, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church with burial following in Cedar Hill Cemetery. Arrangements are by Kerbow Funeral Home.

He is survived by his mother, Elva Ortiz; sons Chris Martinez and Mark Gallardo; daughters Mariah and Elva Gallardo; sister Liza Gonzalez; and brothers Onecimo and John Ortiz

OBITUARIES

Evangelina Perez Borden

Evangelina Perez Borden, 86, died November 4, 2017 in Spofford, Texas. A graveside was held on Monday at Cedar Hill Cemetery in Ozona, Texas.

She was born on September 23, 1931 to Enrique and Santos Perez.

She is survied by two sons Gary Medley (Joanie), Bill Medley (Michelle), one daughter, Barbara Hearne (Robert), six grandchildren Amber Wright, Jessica Medley, Candice Martinez, Zachary Medley, Shelbie Juarez, Madison Rojas and seven great-grandchildren, Toby,



Julie and Austin Jenks, Bryce Medley, Amaya Martinez, Paola Juarez and Riley Rojas.

Johnnie Mae Easterwood

Johnnie Mae Easterwood passed from this Earth on November 2, 2017, at the age of 88. She now walks with her Lord and Savior.

Johnnie Mae was born on November 15, 1928, to John and Ida Mae West in Cheapside, Texas. In 1938, her family moved to Eldorado, Texas, where she graduated high school. She later married Doyle Ward Easterwood. Together, with their three children, they lived in Ozona, Texas, for some time prior to retiring to Aransas Pass, Texas. Johnnie Mae was a full-time homemaker and doting and loving mother and grandmother. She was very creative. Her grandchildren loved her bedtime stories that she would handwrite and illustrate.

She volunteered at both the Calvary Baptist churches of Ozona and Aransas Pass, where she enjoyed teaching Sunday school. Putting her talents to God's use, she helped paint the backdrop to the baptismal chamber at the Calvary Baptist Church in Ozona with her friend



Vonnie Womack. She loved to play the organ. She wrote Christian music with lyrics, as well as a Christian novel.

Johnnie Mae was preceded in death by Doyle Ward, her son, Doyle West, and granddaughter Sabrina. She is survived by her daughters, Lesa Easterwood and Sue Carr, eight grandchildren, many great-grandchildren, and numerous nephews and nieces.

her talents to God's use, she helped paint the backdrop to the baptismal chamber at the Calvary Baptist Church in Ozona with her friend

The family will celebrate her life with a private gathering. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Alzheimer's Research Foundation.

Eglantina 'Titina' Valdez Gonzalez

Eglantina left to be with our Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ. Her friends called her "Titina." She passed away Friday, Oct. 27, 2017.

She was small in stature, but tall with pride. Her work ethic was unmeasurable. She was a tireless soul, but she taught us that we have to work for our salvation just as hard as we work on our business.

If you really love what you do, then you are blessed not to call it work. She served the Ozona Community and its visitors with honor for four decades.

Preceding her in death were her sisters Eustolia "Tola" Valdez Gonzalez and Ludivina Valdez.

She is survived by four brothers, Roque, Israel, Jesus and Arnoldo Valdez, and two sisters, Elodia Valdez Perez and Marisela Valdez Martinez.

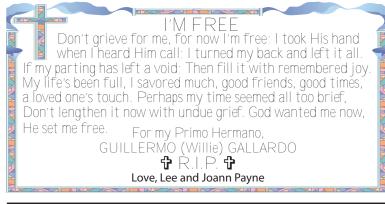
She is also survived by her son, Bryan Anthony Valdez,



and grandchildren, Savannah Grau Valdez, Bryan Anthony Valdez II and Isabella Maria Juanita Valdez.

Services were held Sunday, Oct. 29, 2017 at Templo Siloe Assembly of God Church with burial following in Cedar Hill Cemetery. Arrangements by Kerbow Funeral Home.

"The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want..." - Psalm 23









CHOICE

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This series of ads is being published and sponsored by these Ozona business firms in the interest of a stronger community.

All pastors of Ozona churches are invited to submit columns.

DON'T TAKE THINGS FOR GRANTED

Recently passed Texas law allows for armed volunteer security at churches

BY MATTHEW CHOI TEXAS TRIBUNE

Only hours after First Baptist Church in Sutherland Springs was ravaged by one of the deadliest mass shootings in U.S. history on Sunday, Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton said on Fox News that "arming some of the parishioners or the congregation" could help stop similar attacks from occurring in the future.

A state law put into effect in September made it legal for churches to have armed volunteer guards — but the law's author says many churches in Texas don't know it's an option.

State Rep. Matt Rinaldi, R-Irving, said he was inspired to submit a bill to the Legislature after discovering that though existing law had allowed congregants with licenses to carry to bring firearms into houses of worship, they weren't allowed to conduct security functions.

"My wife and I were doing church security at the St. Anne's carnival over by us, where unarmed security were looking for lost children and making sure everything was being run smoothly," he said. "And afterwards, I was looking at the occupational licensing laws looking to see which ones didn't make sense, and I found out what we were doing and what the church was doing was illegal under current Texas law."

Rinaldi said churches would have either had to contract private security firms or obtain a \$400 "letter of authority" from the



ROBIN JERSTAD | TEXAS TRIBUNE

U.S. MARSHALS speak with a DPS officer in Sutherland Springs after a mass shooting at the First Baptist

state to create volunteer security teams.

Church there, on Sunday, Nov. 5.

"We've seen churches being targeted time and time again, and it doesn't make sense that they can't protect themselves without hiring private security, which a lot of small churches don't have the funds to do," he said.

Rinaldi said that after the measure passed he notified every church in his district that they had the option for volunteer security.

"They were talking on Fox News as if [the bill] didn't [pass], so I think it's important we get the word out that the law did change," he said. While opponents of the law feared the law would lead to the creation of untrained militias to guard churches, Rinaldi said congregants still need licenses to carry in order to have guns in church.

"Before the law was passed, individuals in church could still carry, Rinaldi said. "What this allows the church to do, which I think is safer, is identify who those people are and coordinate so that everybody knows who's providing security."

Gun regulation advocates, however, have argued that arming more people in churches will not deter future shooters. Gyl Switzer, executive director of Texas Gun Sense, said the data does not support the notion that an armed person could stop a mass shooting.

She added law enforcement officers often tell her organization that it can be difficult to determine who is the assailant during an attack when everyone has a gun.

"People should be safe and comfortable in their places of worship," Switzer said. "We do know that there are effective ways of reducing gun violence. ... Definitely not arming more folks."





Agricultural losses from Hurricane Harvey estimated at more than \$200 million

BY BLAIR FANNIN
TEXAS AGRILIFE EXTENSION AGENCY

COLLEGE STATION - Hurricane Harvey, which decimated parts of South Central Texas and the upper Gulf Coast, caused more than \$200 million in crop and livestock losses, according to Texas A&M AgriLife Exten-

sion Service economists.

"Many South Texas or coastal area cotton farmers were on the verge of harvesting one of the best crops ever in Texas, while some ranchers were unable to save some cattle from insurmountable flood waters," said Dr. Doug Steele, agency director in College Station.

Hay and feed donations were valued at more than \$1.3 million, according to AgriLife Extension economists.

Hurricane losses by agri-

- cultural commodity include:
 Livestock: \$93 million
- · Cotton: \$100 million · Rice and sovbeans: \$8
- Rice and soybeans: \$8 million

Livestock losses include not only cattle and calves that died during the hurricane but also industry infrastructure, said Dr. David Anderson, AgriLife Extension livestock economist in College Station. Beyond animals lost directly due to the storm, extensive supplies of hay for winter feeding were destroyed.

"We are right on the verge of entering winter feeding season and ranchers will have to find replacement hay that averages \$63 per round bale. A rancher may typically feed two or more round bales per cow during winter, so even if there isn't hay available they will still have to purchase some type of supplemental feed. All of this comes with a hefty price," Anderson said.

The value of fences, barns and animal-handling facilities lost adds up quick-

ly, Anderson said.

"Rebuilding fences can cost \$2.50 or more per foot," he said. "Overall, these livestock loss numbers could have been far, far worse had it not been for the quick action of ranchers ahead of and during the storm. Also important were the proactive actions of cattle industry associations in Texas, countless volunteers, and AgriLife Extension working together in coordination to either get cattle to dry points and make ample supplies of hay available, as well as the U.S. military airdropping round bales.'

Meanwhile, 200,000 bales of cotton lint on the stalk valued at \$62.4 millionwas lost and another 200,000 harvested bales valued at \$9.6 million had degraded quality, said Dr. John Robinson, AgriLife Extension cotton marketing economist in College Station. In addition, there were widespread losses of cottonseed.

"The Southeast Texas cotton crop was set to be one of the best of all time. You've got reports from ginners who have ginning quality concerns related to seed coat problems, poor leaf grade and trash," Robinson said

Rice and soybean crop losses accounted for approximately \$8 million in losses. In its October crop production estimates, the U.S. Department of Agriculture lowered Texas rice production 614,000 hundredweight compared to pre-storm estimates. The value of that production at current market prices is about \$7.5 million, said Dr. Mark Welch, AgriLife Extension grains marketing

economist in College Station.
The USDA-Farm Service
Agency reports 1,729 acres
of soybeans have been reported as failed along the

Coastal Bend. While specific production numbers are not yet available for counties along the coast, using a statewide average of 37 bushels per acre puts the value of lost soybean acres at just over \$500,000, Welch

He said most of the corn and sorghum crops along the coast were harvested before the storm. Average corn yields of 124 bushels per acre and sorghum yields of 103 bushels per acre or 5,768 pounds are being reported for District 9, the Upper Coast, both all-time record highs, he said.

Dr. Andrew Ropicki, AgriLife Extension economist at Corpus Christi, said multiple industries tied to both commercial and recreational fisheries suffered losses.

Ropicki said losses to the commercial oyster industry are expected to be severe due to decreased production caused by excessive freshwater in the bays.

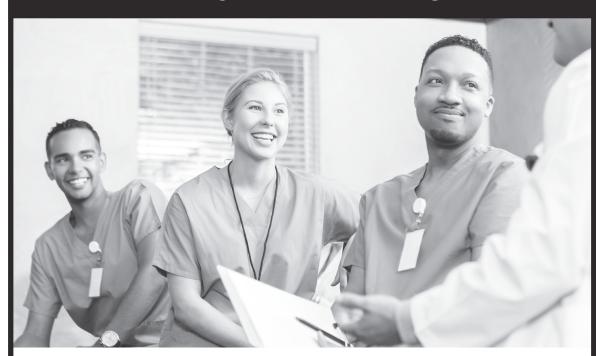
"In the recreational sector, decreased fishing pressure as well as storm-related damage to vessels, equipment and buildings have negatively impacted charter fishing businesses, bait shops and local economies that rely on recreational fishing."

Since oyster season begins Nov. 1 and runs through April, a complete summary of industry losses won't be available until late spring, Ropicki said.

AgriLife Extension and USDA-Farm Service Agency's Texas state office have teamed to produce a series of videos to share disaster assistance program details for farmers and ranchers recovering from Hurricane Harvey. The information is available at https://agecoext.tamu.edu/resources/podcasts-videos/.

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Lions finish strong at Round Rock

The OHS Lions Cross-Country Team finished fifth at the UIL Class 2A State Meet Saturday at Old Settlers Park in Round Rock.

"The Lions are once again the top 2 percent of the Class 2A running world. This was an awesome season, though we ultimately came up short of the team medal stand. We are really proud of how we competed at state," said Coach John Esparza.

Sundown won the meet, followed by SA Great Hearts Monte Vista, Valley View, Broaddus and Port Aransas was sixth.

Senior Roman Esparza was the top runner for the Lions finishing eighth with a time of 16 minutes, 53.47 seconds.

Senior Danny Posadas was 70th at 18:27.59.

Sophomore Manuel Torralba was 71st at 18:28.19.

Humber-Sophomore to Torralba was 74th at 18:29.31.

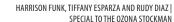
Freshman Josh Mahannah was 105th at 19:01.71.

Sophomore Aaron Rodriguez was 106th at 19:02.12.

Freshman Marco Rodri-

guez was 116th at 19:17.78. "Both our seniors put in personal bests at the time it counted most. Danny Posadas ran almost 30 seconds faster than any other time on this course and Roman Esparza ran a person best giving him a top 10 finish and an individual medal. Roman has put in a lot of time and miles to get on the stand and the team was so proud of him for his accomplishment," Esparza said. "As a team we are really young and have an opportunity to be back at state for the foreseeable future as long as we stick together. The crosscountry family would like to say a big thank you to all the fans, family and friends for all their support all season. We hope we made you guys





TOP (left to right) COACH JOHN ESPARZA gets a hug from son Roman Esparza at the UIL Class 2A State Cross-Country Meet; Seniors Roman Esparza and Danny Posadas. RIGHT: The OHS Lions pictured with Lady Lions Cross-**Country Team Members and** managers at the state meet.







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Alec Lara **Offense**



Mark Ybarra Defense

Friday, Nov. 10 vs. Anthony 7:30 p.m. at Lion Stadium **Senior Night** 6 p.m. Cake at Field House **Pep Rally** 3 p.m. at OHS Davidson Gym **Thursday, Nov. 9 Senior Slide Show** 6 p.m. at OHS Auditorium

Student of the Week

OHS Band

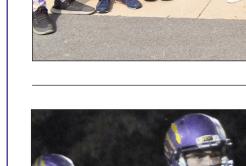


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SEBASTIAN DE LA CRUZ carried the ball 19 times for 181 yards and two touchdowns during the Lions' 42-26 win over Christoval Friday.

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scored two touchdowns for the Lions.

"It was my time to shine," De La Cruz said. The sophomore carried the ball 19 times for 181 yards.

Lara ran 16 times for 126 yards, as well as completing 5 of 7 passes for 94 yards and a

"We are pleased with our game Friday night. It was a solid win against a good district opponent," Freeman said.

Ozona took advantage of a fumble on Christoval's first possession to take a 14-0 lead, with a touchdown by Lazaro Rodriguez, and never trailed in claiming the win over the Cougars, who fell to 4-5, 2-1.

Christoval can still figure in the mix for the No. 1 seed if it beats McCamey by a large enough margin to break any potential tie with Ozona and McCamey. Anthony could spoil things for Ozona, when the Wildcats travel to Ozona next week.

"If we win, all three of us are in a tie for first place," Christoval coach Casey Otho said. "It will come down to a tiebreaker to determine seeding."

Christoval's big-play ability kept the Cougars in the game until the Lions put the game away in the fourth quarter.

Cougar freshman quarterback Brayden Wilcox showed he was capable of breaking a long play at any time when he scored from Christoval's 20-yard line to pull the Cougars within 14-8 with 2:53 to play in the first quarter.

On the second-half kickoff return, Lance Young took a handoff from fellow returner David Fava near the start of the return and outran the Lions special teams unit for the 78yard TD to pull the Cougars within 28-20.

But both Christoval quick strikes were answered almost as quickly by the Lions, who took leads of 21-8 in the first quarter on a 56yard TD pass from Lara to Dario Rodriguez and 35-20 in the third quarter when Lara efficiently directed Ozona down the field.

Christoval could have pulled within a field goal trailing 35-26 in the third quarter when Ozona mishandled a high snap on a punt deep in their own territory.

Cougar offensive lineman Tashy Steen picked it up and ran into the end zone but not before Ozona knocked the ball out of his hands and out of the back of the end zone for a touchback.

The play resulted in Ozona retaining possession.

"We improved over all last night. Several young players stepped up and had a good game," Freeman said.

The Lions leading rusher, Senior Kobe Rodriquez, has been out with a sprained knee during district play.

"We're hoping to get Kobe back this week or at least for the playoffs," Freeman said. "Losing him was a big blow. That changed our whole mentality. He's more of a sledgehammer tailback and the backs we have now are very fast."

Anthony is 4-5 overall and 1-2 in district play. The Wildcats only district win so far has been against Eldorado.

Kickoff is 7:30 p.m. Friday at Lion Stadium. It will also be Senior Night and the final game of the regular season.

- Amy McDaniel, with the San Angelo Standard-Times,

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OMS Lions end season against Christoval



CARLOS CANTU makes a run for the Eighth Grade Lions in their 30-14 win over Christoval on Nov. 2 at Lion Stadium.



MAX EVERETT runs the ball for the Seventh Grade Lions who played hard despite the 38-32 loss to Christoval on Nov. 2 at Lion Stadium.



OHS STUDENTS BRAEDEN GUTIERREZ and MARIAH GALINDO were the winners of the OHS Red Ribbon Week Drawing. The General Store donated the prizes and Dairy Queen donated ice cream tokens to every student and staff member.

OMS OAP performance of 'Cinderella' Tuesday

The OMS One-Act Play will give their public performance of "Cinderella" by Thomas Hischak at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 14, at the OHS Auditorium.

Dessert tickets are \$5 at the door. Everyone is invited to attend.

CROCKETT COUNTY 4-H NEWS

Childress wins 2017 Whiz-Bang finals

The 2017 Whiz-Bang finals were held in San Antonio at the National Shooting Complex on Oct. 28.

Carson Childress won the Intermediate Class and came away with a new shotgun, a buckle and a lifetime Texas hunting license. Texas Parks and Wildlife sponsors this event.

Whiz-bang is a course that is similar to sporting clays, in that you shoot a shotgun at a pair of birds that come from random directions.

The target setter can make it very challenging to break both birds if he does his job correctly. The kids have to be able to evaluate and adjust to the situation; they can go in with a plan and have the wind change everything.

The kids work all summer to put up good scores.

To qualify for the finals, a 4-H shooter must participate in Whiz-Bang competitions somewhere in the state of Texas, with their top four scores being compared.

Only the top five shooters in each age group go to the finals. It is an honor just to be invited.

LAMB AND GOAT **SHOWMANSHIP CLINIC**

Lamb and Goat Showmanship Clinics will be held at 6 p.m. on the following dates: Nov. 16, Dec. 7 and Dec. 14.

A Species and Showmanship Clinic will be held Saturday, Nov. 11, from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in Big Lake.

For more information, call (325) 884-2335.

SWINE VALIDATION

Swine Validation will be 5 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 23, at the 4-H Office.

CLUB MEETING

The 4-H Club Meeting will be 5 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 21, at the 4-H Office.

FOOD and NUTRITION



CARSON CHILDRESS won the Intermediate Class at the 2017 Whiz-Bang finals on Oct. 28 in San Antonio.

The Crockett County 4-H Food Show is scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 14, at the Civ-

Food Challenge Practices are 1:30-2:30 p.m. Intermidates and Seniors, 2:15-3:15 p.m. Juniors at the OMS Cafeteria on the following dates: Nov. 12, Nov. 19 and Nov. 26.

D6 FALL ROUNDUP

The District 6 4-H Fall Roundup will be held Dec. 1-2 in Big Spring at Howard College Campus.

Friday will be Quiz Bowl

competition. Saturday will be Consumer Decision Making, Educational Presentations, Entomology ID, Food Challenge, Food Show, Public Speaking and Share-the-Fun.

Registration deadline is Friday, Nov. 17. For more information, call the extension office at 392-2721.

4- H OFFICE

The Crockett County 4-H Office can be reached at (325) 392-2721 or crock-

ettcounty@ag.tamu.edu. KaileyRoberts, CEA-FCH, can be reached at (210) 7052887 or kailey.roberts@ ag.tamu.edu.

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Youth Center Calendar of Events

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Mondays - 7-10 p.m. **HIGH SCHOOL:**

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and Saturday: 2-7 p.m. **CLOSED SUNDAYS**

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Every other Tuesday 7-10 p.m. 7TH & 8TH GRADE:

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ext. 5547 **BREAKFAST**

Wednesday, Nov. 8 Breakfast pizza or cereal and toast

Thursday, Nov. 9

Sausage, egg and cheese on a croissant or cereal bar and yogurt Friday, Nov. 10

Biscuit and gravy with scrambled eggs or cereal and toast

Monday, Nov. 13 Sausage and biscuit or cereal and toast Tuesday, Nov. 14 Breakfast burrito, hash brown or cereal bar

and yogurt Wednesday, Nov. 15 Chicken and waffle or cereal and toast

Thursday, Nov. 16 Pancakes and sausage or cereal bar and yogurt

Friday, Nov. 17

Dutch waffle and bacon or cereal and chocolate grahams

EVERYDAY - Fruit, fruit juice & milk

LUNCH

Wednesday, Nov. 8 Cheeseburger, hamburger garnish, broccoli, sweet potato fries, mixed fruit, crispy cereal treat and milk.

Thursday, Nov. 9 Pizza choice, garden salad, carrots, apple

slices and milk. Friday, Nov. 10

Barbecue on a bun, green beans, coleslaw,

orange smiles and milk. Hamburger or cheeseburger, hamburger

garnish, oven fries, fresh veggie cup,

mixed fruit and milk. Tuesday, Nov. 14

Tex-Mex stack, charro beans, lettuce and

tomato garnish, salsa, tiny tomato cup, hot cinnamon apples and milk. Wednesday, Nov. 15

Calzone, marinara sauce, Tuscan vegetables, garden salad, peaches, cookie

Thursday, Nov. 16 Grilled cheese, multi-grain chips, broccoli

bites, fresh veggie cup, diced apricots and milk.

Friday, Nov. 17

Thanksgiving meal - turkey and dressing, cranberry sauce, gravy, potatoes, green beans, roll, snowball salad and milk.

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for fitness equipment and swimming pool needs.

Crockett County Voters approved a \$4 million bond for a new wellness center in November 2015.

Construction on the center is expected to be completed by March 2018.

The commissioners also approved the annual County

Employee Appreciation Dinner at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 5, at the Civic Center.

They will be advertising for bids for the meal for chicken stripes and steak fingers, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll, dessert and drink.

The next regular commissioners' court meeting will be 9 a.m. Monday, Nov. 13, at the courthouse annex. The meeting is open to the public.

In the process of produc-

ing a tax reform bill we have

to be certain that some of

the most important parts

of the tax code we rely on

don't get washed away. TS-

CRA members have given

clear direction to the associ-

ation leaders and staff who

are working on the tax re-

form issue. At the Summer

Meeting in June and at the

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ber, TSCRA members passed

resolutions that support re-

taining the 1031 like kind

exchange and business ex-

pense deductions. Both are

retained in the first version

of the House bill. TSCRA

members also recommitted

to the association's policy

to revise estate and gift tax-

es to reduce the burden on

family ranches. These pol-

icies provide us with the

tools TSCRA can use to ad-

vocate for tax reform on be-

This is a great time to get

involved. Contact your con-

gressmen and let them know

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and local property taxes and charitable giving.

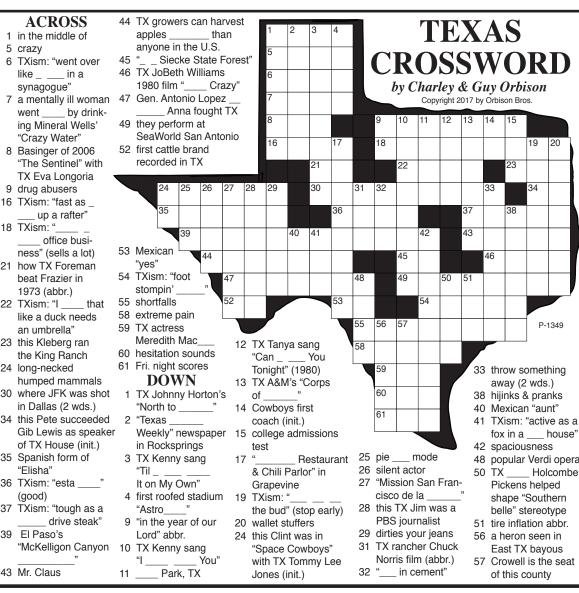
TSCRA has worked for decades to get the onerous death tax repealed. Under this framework, after five years, the death tax will be fully and permanently repealed. In the meantime, tax exemption rates are immediately doubled for individuals and couples, and are indexed for inflation. The step-up in basis is also preserved.

important reform for small business entities like partnerships, sole proprietorships, LLCs and subchapter S corporations is that income taxes from those business entities, on an individual return, are capped at 25 percent. There is also a provision, that for at least a fiveyear period, any capital investments made after Sept. 27, 2017, can be immediately expensed. This is a good reform for business.

While most of the components of this tax reform framework are positive and accomplish many of TSCRA's long-standing highest priorities, changes are likely, and two of the main funding mechanisms for it have been terminated-at least for the foreseeable future.

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CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

Weekly Activity Report

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Type of Calls

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

OFFENSE REPORTS/ARRESTS:

• Sheriff's deputies arrested Hugo Esquirel Trevino, of San Antonio, on an out of county warrant. Subject was arraigned and released

· Sheriff's deputies took a report of criminal mischief on Avenue F.

· While on patrol, sheriff's deputy detained two illegal aliens. They were released to the U.S. Border Patrol. 11-2-17

• Sheriff's deputies responded to a loud music call on Avenue F.

• Sheriff's deputies arrested Jorge Luis

Espinoza, of San Antonio, for driving while license invalid. Subject was arraigned and released after payment of fines.

11-3-17 · Sheriff's deputies arrested Jeremy Weldon Jones, of Kerrville, for driving while license invalid and possession of a dangerous

drug. Subject was arraigned and sent to Upton • Sheriff's deputies arrested Chad Maness Flanagan, of Ozona, for possession of marijua-

na less than two ounces. Subject was arraigned and released on bond. • Sheriff's deputies responded to a loud music call on Nashua Street.

11-4-17 • Sheriff's deputies responded to a verbal argument on State Highway 163 south.

• Sheriff's deputies arrested Anna Marie Fierro, of Ozona, for possession of marijuana less than two ounces and possession of controlled substance penalty group 1. Subject was

arraigned and sent to Upton County. • Sheriff's deputies arrested Juan Ignacio Mendez, of Ozona, for possession of marijuana less than two ounces and possession of drug paraphernalia.

FOR THE RECORD: COURT PROCEEDINGS

COUNTY COURT

Closed Cases - October 2017 • Joel Ramirez-Cedeno, failure to appear,

conviction - fine \$322, court costs \$178. • David Romero, failure to appear, con-

viction - fine \$322, court costs \$178. • Ravinder Pal Singh, failure to appear, conviction - fine \$322, court costs \$178.

· Albert John Clark, failure to appear, conviction - fine \$322, court costs \$178.

• Mark C. Rybak, failure to appear, conviction - fine \$322, court costs \$178.

· Jose Leonel Solitaire, driving while license invalid-enhanced, dismissed - duplicate

 Andre Lemon Applewhite, possession of marijuana less than two ounces, 90 days deferred adjudication - fine \$200, court costs

• Torey T. Conley, failure to appear, conviction - fine \$322, court costs \$178.

• Jessenia Navarith Reynolds, display fictitious motor vehicle registration, conviction - 21 days in jail; possession of marijuana less than two ounces, conviction - 21 days in jail.

 Alfred Steven Vasquez, possession of marijuana less than two ounces, conviction -19 days in jail.

• Manuel Vargas Villarreal IV, criminal trespass, conviction - 21 days in jail.

· Cora Shyanne Williams, assault bodily injury family violence, dismiss - completed obligations to county attorney.

· Jamie Sue Estorga, driving while license invalid - appeal, dismissed - completed obligations to the county attorney.

• Roel Hinojosa, failure to appear, conviction - fine \$322, court costs \$178.

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Also, Hegar said, total sales tax revenue for the three months ending in October 2017 was up 5.2 percent compared to the same period a year ago. Details on monthly sales tax collections can be found at the Comptroller's Monthly State Revenue Watch, which is accessible through the website comptroller.texas.gov.

AG GOES AFTER GOUGERS

Attorney General Ken Paxton's Consumer Protection Division on Oct. 30 sent notices of violations to 127 Texas businesses accused of price gouging during the state of disaster declared for Hurricane Harvey.

All of the cases involve consumer complaints against gas stations that allegedly charged \$3.99 or higher for

a gallon of unleaded gasoline or diesel. The Texas Deceptive Trade Practices Act prohibits anyone from taking advantage of a disaster declared by the governor and selling or leasing necessities for excessive prices.

The Consumer Protection Division received an estimat ed 5,500 complaints alleging price gouging by businesses. Many Texans emailed photos and receipts as evidence, Paxton said.

JOB COUNT DECREASED

The Lone Star State lost some 7,300 jobs in September, due largely to effects from Hurricane Harvey, the Texas Workforce Commission reported.

Texas' seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell to 4.0 percent, down from 4.2 percent in August, and remained below the national rate of 4.2 percent. Annual employment growth for Texas was calculated at 2.1 per-"Texas' economic growth

is boosted by the resilience of our employers, who have added 230,300 private-sector jobs over the past year," said Ruth R. Hughs, the TWC commissioner who represents employers. "TWC is committed to ensuring our state resources and services are provided to help get Texans get back to work after the devastating impacts of Hurricane Harvey."

DEPOSITORY SITE CHOSEN Comptroller Hegar on

Nov. 3 announced the city of Leander as the future home of the Texas Bullion Depository, with construction to begin in early 2018. In its 2015 regular ses-

sion, the Texas Legislature created the depository as an agency within the Office of the Comptroller.

The depository, according to the official statement of legislative intent, would be established "so the state, state agencies and private individuals would be able to store precious metals in a secure, Texas-based depository to reduce reliance on out-ofstate facilities and to insulate their assets from unstable market forces.'



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The bids will be opened and read at 2:00 p.m. Each bid envelope must be sealed and marked Banquet. Bid will be made by the plate. The Banquet will be on Tuesday, December 5, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Crockett County Civic Center. Menu for 350 employees includes: chicken strips and steak fingers, mashed potatoes, green beans, gravy, roll, dessert and drink.

Crockett County reserves the right to reject any or all bids that are received on the opening date and also reserves the right to accept either all or part of a bid. Crockett County reserves the right to not necessarily accept the lowest bid or to waive any technicalities in determining what best suits our needs.

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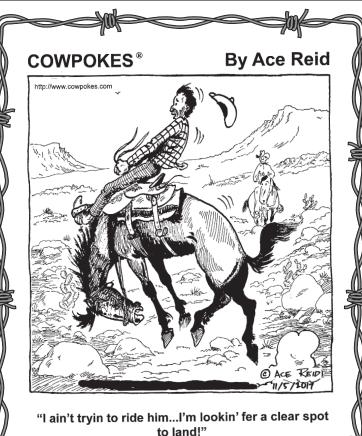
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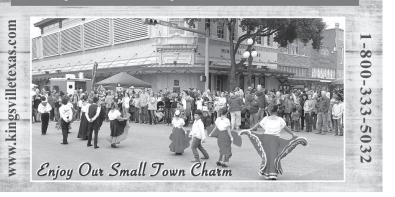


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