

# "Chamber recognizes the following local businesses"

## J. Cleo Thompson July Business of the Month



The Ozona Chamber of Commerce would like to recognize the business of J. Cleo Thompson as our July Business of the Month. Headquartered in Dallas, J. Cleo Thompson is primarily an oil and gas producing company, (highest concentration being oil) operating in Texas and New Mexico. The company organized and started in 1952. They contract out their drilling, own their own pulling units for completion work overs, and own 95 percent of their own work, and operate over 1,000 wells.

J. Cleo Thompson has field offices located in Ozona and Andrews, and a district office located in Odessa. They have been operating in Ozona since 1968.

"J. Cleo and Dorothy Thompson ranch in Crockett County. The field office in Ozona

opened in 1968," said James Dalby, District Superintendent. "The founders of the company were J. Cleo Thompson Sr. (who passed away in 1975), and J. Cleo Thompson, Jr., who passed away in 2010. "I can't say enough about what great people and businessmen they were. I have been with the company for 44 years, and it is the best organized and best run company for its size I have ever worked for. We have 14 employees here in Ozona, with a low turn over. There are approximately 100 employees company wide," said James.

The offices of J. Cleo Thompson are located at 101 Medical Drive and are open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. There is a 24 hour answering service. For more information you can call (325) 392-3721.

## Burl Myers, CPA September Business of the Month



Burl and Diane Myers moved to Ozona in October of 1977.

Burl worked as the Comptroller for the Circle Bar Truck Corral for several years before he opened a Certified Public Accountant business in 1985.

They have one daughter, Robin Kimble who now lives in the San Angelo area.

"Ozona is a great place to raise your family, and a good place to live. Everyone has been very supportive of us in every aspect," said Diane.

Myers C.P.A. offers a number of services including accounting payroll and taxes, annual income tax returns, quarterly payroll reports, billing, and accounts payable and receivable, in the Ozona and surrounding area.

As a Certified Public Accountant, Burl is re-

quired to take 40 hours of Continued Education each year to keep up to date with current IRS accounting and tax code items.

Burl was elected and has served as County Treasurer for Crockett County since 1993.

"I am appreciative of the opportunity to serve Ozona," said Burl.

"We have enjoyed Ozona and would just like to thank the community for supporting our business," said Burl.

Myers C.P.A. office is located at 910 Avenue E in the historic Ozona Bank Building.

Office hours are Monday through Thursday, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., closed noon-1 p.m., open Friday, 8 a.m. to noon.

For more information, or for assistance with your accounting or tax needs, call (325) 392-3712.

## DCP Midstream October Business of the Month



Hampshire, New Mexico, New York, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Texas, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, and Wyoming.

The Ozona plant was built in 1969 and was converted from a lean oil plant to a cryogenic plant in 1995. DCP Midstream employs 64 people in the Ozona and Sonora area. The plant is located at 594 State Hwy. 163 South. According to Minnie Sustata, Asset Manager, "the main mission of the Ozona plant is to gather and process natural gas to market natural gas liquids and residue gas." "The Ozona Asset has the ability to process 280 million cubic feet of gas per day. The local asset operates 28 compressor stations and 3 gas processing plants located in Ozona, West Ozona and Sonora. There are roughly 2,050 miles of pipeline ranging from 2" to 16," said Minnie. The company owns or operates 60 plants, 11 fracturing facilities, and

more than 61,000 miles of gathering and transmission pipeline with connections to more than 37,000 active receipt points. The company gathers and/or transports more than 6.8 trillion British thermal units per day of natural gas, produces more than 367,000 barrels per day of natural gas liquids, and markets and trades more than 453,000 barrels per day of natural gas liquids. The company has 2,900 employees across the United States.

Who are DCP's customers? DCP was a part of your life today if you took a hot shower, heated your home, used anything made from rubber, plastics or synthetics in your home, work or car, cooked with your propane grill, insulated your home to save on heating and cooling costs, or have wires and cable running throughout your home or office. Other customers include natural gas producers, natural gas marketers, and end users of natural

gas and natural gas liquids. DCP Midstream is committed to safety, environmental stewardship and reliable operations. They meet the growing need for energy and energy-related products with natural gas in a responsible way.

DCP is growing in rapidly developing regions and, as a result, offers a number of challenging and exciting career opportunities. DCP offers performance driven compensation, competitive salaries, annual bonus, 401(k) plan with company match, supplemental retirement plan, and a tuition reimbursement program.

DCP has the most openings in these field positions: mechanics, measurement technicians, instrument technicians, electrical technicians, utilities, plant operators, field operators and supervisors. DCP has a national Career and Technical Scholarship Program to develop a strong future workforce and encourage innovation in the industry. Winners pursue an associate degree or career technical certification related to the natural gas industry such as, but not limited to: machine tool technology, diesel power and heavy equipment technology, plant operations, gas technology, and welding. The annual deadline is in March.

For more information you can visit [www.dcpmidstream.com/sustainability/Pages/ScholarshipProgram.aspx](http://www.dcpmidstream.com/sustainability/Pages/ScholarshipProgram.aspx). For more information about a career with DCP Midstream, visit [www.dcpmidstream.com/careers](http://www.dcpmidstream.com/careers).

## Crockett County Public Library August Business of the Month



The Crockett County Public Library opened in 1985. Originally a local home owned by the Paul Perner Family, the building was donated to the county. The library was expanded in 1999. "Prior to the remodel the library was not handicapped accessible. All of our non-fiction books were located upstairs, which was difficult for all our patrons to get to. It would have cost almost as much to put in an elevator as to expand, so we elected to expand," said Librarian Louise Ledoux.

In 2010 there were over 9,000 computer users and almost 25,000 visitors at the Crockett County Public Library. "The majority are locals, but we also have travelers off the interstate who take advantage of our services as well," said Louise. "Almost everything we have to do in our daily lives has to be done on-line anymore. Many people don't have a computer so they come by the library."

There are 3 employees at the Crockett County Public Library. Librarian Louise Ledoux, who has been with the library for 25 years, Margaret Longoria and Sylvia Longoria, both Assistant Librarians. "Margaret has been with us 20 years, and Sylvia for 11 years," said Louise.

The Crockett County Public Library offers a number of services. There are over 30,000 books ranging from fiction to non-fiction, medical, legal, history, any topic or category you might have an interest in. There are 10 computers available for public use with internet access and WiFi, copy and FAX service. Patrons have

access to the Texas State Library on-line Tex-Share Data Base Program which provides the most up-to-date book, magazine and newspaper material available. "Aside from using our computers, the most used service is our audio and CD check-outs. Fiction, children's books, and Best Sellers are very popular," reported Louise. "A new service that will be available in 2012 is the E-Book program through our on-line catalog. Patrons will be able to download books onto their I-pads, Kindles, Nooks and other devices for free. All it takes is a library card."

During the month of June the library offers a Summer Children's Program for the 3-5 and 6-12 year olds. Volunteers assist the library by reading stories and books to the children along with crafts, games and special programs. All planned around a different theme each year. During the school year, the librarians bring Story Time to Head Start and Elementary students.

The library offers year round exhibits and programs that the public can

enjoy. Through a partnership with the San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts, there are rotating art exhibits. Everything from sculpture to paintings, and ceramics. Just added are three digital photo frames that can be loaded with local artists photography. Currently, Shelly Childress is the featured artist. Everyone is welcome to contact Louise and display their photos. The library also offers a number of educational, cultural, and inspiring programs throughout the year for the public. They host author visits, book reviews and readings, and book sales. The ongoing Used Book Sale at the library offers good books for 25 cents.

The library offers a Conference Room that will hold 10-12 people that they make available to the public free of charge.

The library receives its funds through a County operating budget and from grants from the Texas State Library. The library is fortunate to have a very active Friends of the Library volunteer group. The Library Board and Friends Board work throughout the year, not

only on projects that can help raise monies for the library and an endowment fund, but with the Texas Library Association so that Crockett County has a facility that offers the most current technology and programs available to the public.

"This was not a good legislative year for libraries on the State or Federal level. If there is no State funding, there is no matching Federal funding. Without State funding, our library and its services will take a step back 20 years. We will no longer have access to the Tex-Share Data Bases and Grants. What that means is our patrons will only have access to the books and materials we have on-site. The most immediate impact will be felt by those who access our computers. With State funding, we have been able to participate in the Federal TANG (Technical Assistance Negotiated Grant) Program. This gives the library 24-7 on call, remote computer tech service. Without State funding, the library does not have the budget for computer repair service. This means computer access is going to be limited," said Louise.

You can learn more about the Crockett County Public Library on their Facebook page or visit their web site at [www.bcls.tsl.state.tx.us/crockett](http://www.bcls.tsl.state.tx.us/crockett). Library hours are Monday and Thursday, 9am-9pm, Tuesday and Wednesday, 9am-6pm, Friday, 9am-5pm.

For more information on how you can join the Friends of the Library or assist the Crockett County Public Library, call 325/392-3565.

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