

**OZONA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
& VISITOR CENTER PARK**

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# CHAMBER DIALOGUE

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## **The Ozona Chamber of Commerce recognizes Natgas, Inc as our Business of the Month**

Natgas, Inc. was established after the gas company was purchased from Energas in January 1985 by Norman and Janet Smith. A vital asset to the community, Natgas, Inc. is the sole provider of natural gas to the residents of Ozona and the surrounding area. It is currently located at 901 Ave H, and open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Employees of Natgas, Inc. are Ed Hale-General Manager, Linda Ruiz-Office Manager, Javier Barrera-Service

Technician, & Byrl Allen-Senior Technician. Natgas provides a full range of professional services to its valued customers. We prioritize public safety by conducting leak investigations and maintaining all gas lines in a high state of repair. In the interest of a safe community environment, a 24 hour on-call technician is available for emergency situations. In addition, Natgas, Inc. provides yearly awareness information on regulations that govern general public conduct concerning gas detection, pipeline and excavation safety.

Natgas, Inc. is an authorized General Electric dealer that offers a variety of modern water heaters, household and recreational appliances in its showroom with special orders on request. This allows customers the opportunity to purchase locally without traveling long distances at very affordable prices. Qualified customers may choose from several payment options including financing of up to 36 months. Free delivery is available, however, there may be a parts and labor charge on certain deliveries. Warranty work and general repairs are available as needed. Customer satisfaction is a priority.



*Left to Right: Ed Hale-General Manager, Byrl Allen-Senior Technician, Linda Ruiz-Office Manager, and Javier Barrera-Service Technician*

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## Business of the Month - Continued from page 1

Natgas, Inc. values community improvement and growth by donating to many organizations throughout the year.

“We appreciate our customers, and want to sincerely thank you for the privilege of serving you in the past, and continuing to serve you in the future,” said Ed Hale. “Natgas, Inc. also appreciates and thanks the Chamber for choosing us as the December Business of the Month.”

The Chamber of Commerce would like to recognize Natgas, Inc. for their efforts to provide quality service in addition to being an added asset to the local business community.

For more information you may contact Natgas, Inc., at 325/392-2201, by fax 325/392-2936, or by e-mail at [natgas.inc@yahoo.com](mailto:natgas.inc@yahoo.com).



### Chamber members recognized

The Ozona Chamber of Commerce would like to wish the following members a **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**, and **THANK** them for their support of the Chamber organization, its programs and services, and their community.

We would like to recognize and express our **SINCERE** appreciation to the following members who joined during the month of December.

**Perry Family Trust - 1983**  
**Barnhart Shaw's General Repair - 2005**  
**Discovery Natural Resources LLC - 2007**  
**Advanced Technology Solutions - 2008**  
**Bug Express Pest Control - 2012**  
**Interim Hospice of San Angelo - 2013**  
**Epic Permian Operating LLC - 2016**  
**Aries Residence Suites - 2018**  
**JL Ready Mix Concrete - 2020**  
**ASU - Small Business Development Center - 2020**

## What services are sought at [www.Ozona.com](http://www.Ozona.com)

For the month of November at [www.Ozona.com](http://www.Ozona.com), there were business directory searches, and actual *member page hits*!

These are people searching for YOUR services.

Following are the members that received 10 or more page hits this month:

Encino RV Park - 151  
Epic Permian Operating LLC - 101  
Wool Growers Central Storage - 44  
Triple C RV - 40  
Emerald R.V. Campground - 35  
Crockett County Abstract Company - 30

Family Health Center of Ozona - 28  
The Ozona Stockman - 27  
Lowe's Market - 26  
Stuart Operating, LLC - 26  
D's Liquor Store - 25  
SKG Engineering, LLC - 24

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## February 18 & 19, 2022

Contact the Chamber Office at 325-392-3737  
for more information!

Learn about the benefits of prescribed fire, and other topics including: working with your local biologists, pollinators, cost-share programs, donkey adoptions, Devils River preservation, protecting night skies, & more! For registration, visit [Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com) and enter Ozona land stewardship.

### Schedule:

Friday, Feb. 18th: Prescribed Fire Seminars and Fundraiser Dinner for Crockett County Volunteer Fire Department

Saturday, Feb. 19th: Land Stewardship Seminars and Prescribed Fire Field Training

Saturday meals included in Registration fees.



**OZONA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & WILD SPIRIT WILD PLACES**

**LAND STEWARDSHIP BLOWOUT**

**FEBRUARY 18-19, 2022**

*"Conservation is a State of Harmony Between Man & Land." - Aldo Leopold*

**What services are sought at [www.Ozona.com](http://www.Ozona.com)—Continued from page 3**

Sunoco Energy Services, LLC - 23	Crockett County Public Library - 14
Venegas Construction, LLC - 23	Escondido Draw Recreational Area - 14
Eldorado Animal Clinic - 22	Johnson Draw RV Park - 14
Mi Familia Restaurant - 22	Ozona Country Club - 14
Rusty Gold on the Square - 22	Ozona Insurance - 14
Triple C Hardware Lumber & Rental, Inc. - 22	Sutton County Steakhouse - 14
Zarvona Energy LLC - 22	Village Drug - 14
Ambit Energy - 21	West Central Wireless - 14
Hampton Inn - 21	Advanced Technology Solutions - 13
Le A&N LLC Happy Nails - 21	Alpine Ala Carte, LLC - 13
Mediajaw - 21	JL Ready Mix Concrete - 13
The General Store - 21	New Beginnings Ozona - 13
Alejandro Tree Service - 20	Pepe's Cafe - 13
Crockett Taxidermy & Processing - 20	Pon Seahorn Real Estate - 13
D & P R.V. Lots - 20	RV Repair Crew - 13
Barnhart Shaw's General Repair - 19	Republic Hotel of Ozona - 13
HW Car Wash - 19	Specialty Diesel Services, LLC - 13
Interim Hospice of San Angelo - 19	Baggett "Bandera" Ranch - 12
King Construction & Remodel LLC - 19	Bahlman Cleaners - 12
Madyson Grayce Photography - 19	Stokes, John C.P.A. - 12
Natgas, Inc - 19	West Texas Rehabilitation Center - 12
Western Poster Service, Inc. - 19	Bug Express Pest Control - 11
All About Rekers Tow / Recovery - 18	CTWP Digital Solutions - 11
El Chato's - 18	Clayton-Hill Ranches - 11
J. Cleo Thompson Wellness Center - 18	Devils River Conservancy - 11
Ozona Truck Trailer & Emergency Repair - 18	Lone Star Contracting, LLC - 11
Americas Best Value Inn - 17	Millspaugh Ranch Company LLC - 11
Esperanza Ranch - 17	Stokes Drilling Company - 11
Kerbow Funeral Home - 17	Total Office Solution of West Texas - 11
MAC - Mike's Auto Care - 17	Treto's Tire & Towing - 11
Ozona Cable & Broadband - 17	Twistflower Ranch Nature Retreat - 11
Quality Inn - 17	ASU - Small Business Development Center - 10
Village Barber and Beauty Shop - 17	Bill Black Ranch - 10
Bunger Real Estate Company, LLC - 16	Country Club View Apartments - 10
Close to Our Hearts Country Store - 16	Crockett Automotive, Inc. - 10
Debbie Forehand Wilson, Realtor - 16	DCP Midstream Partners, LP - 10
Dublin Hunters Group - 16	Discovery Natural Resources LLC - 10
Crockett County Collision Repair - 15	Fort Lancaster State Historic Site - 10
Crockett County Water Control & Improvement District #1 - 15	Hillcrest Inn & Suites - 10
G's RV Park - 15	Howard's Well Ranching Company - 10
L & B Automotive - 15	Jody K. Upham, Attorney at Law - 10
Will M. Black, Realtor - Main Street Realtor, Hudson Properties - 15	Ozona Environmental, LLC - 10
X-Bar Ranch Nature Retreat & RV - 15	Red Stag Operating, LLC - 10
7 Oaks Ranch / Philip Walker - 14	Soto Inc. - 10
	White, Mr. & Mrs. Mark - 10





## Get Ready for Some Excitement at the 2022 Annual Ozona Chamber of Commerce Banquet!

The Chamber is excited to announce the Keynote Speaker for the 2022 Chamber Banquet! We hope you will join us to learn from this former U.S. Olympian Bobsled team member and professional football player. His thought-provoking and action-packed message is bound to encourage you as you seek to grow your business and reach for new goals in 2022!

**Stay tuned for more details!**

## OZONA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BANQUET

KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

# U.S. OLYMPIAN JOHNNY QUINN

Thursday, March 31, 2022  
Start Time: 6:00 PM



**RSVP:**

Call (325) 392-3737

or email [ozona\\_recip@verizon.net](mailto:ozona_recip@verizon.net)

## November Chamber Visitors:

### Visitor Center

-Walk-in traffic into the Visitor Center in November 2021 totaled 637 visitors, with 30 being local residents, 380 travelers from Texas, 219 from out of state, and 8 from foreign countries.

### Online Visitors

-Ozona.com had 4,080 sessions from 42 countries with 6,430 page views.

-The Top 20 website pages visited were:

1. Homepage	1,834	11. History	97
2. Hunting Leases	1,316	12. Visitors Guide	88
3. Area Attractions	374	13. Location	81
4. Deerfest	201	14. Job Postings	78
5. Restaurants/Dining	145	15. Interesting Facts	78
6. Lodging/RV	134	16. Airport	72
7. Events Calendar	122	17. Chamber of Commerce	65
8. Photo Gallery	122	18. Public Services	57
9. County Officials	112	19. Business of the Month	56
10. Travel Itineraries	110	20. Pandale Crossing	55



-The Ozona Facebook pages continued to grow, ending November with 10,291 fans on the Chamber's Tourist page (OzonaChamber) and 792 fans on our local page (OzonaChamberBiz). We hope you will share our pages with your friends and family as we promote Ozona and our member businesses.

-Our two Facebook pages received 88,735 and 13,030 total impressions of our posts respectively, reaching people from all over the world with information about Ozona. Our Twitter page ended November with 107 followers and had 7,721 impressions throughout the month.

## ***NIGHT SKY FRIENDLY BUSINESS RECOGNITION PROGRAM***

**INTRODUCING** the newest recipient of the "BE A STAR" Award:

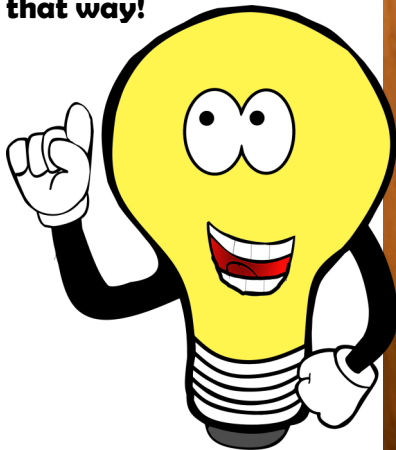
### **OZONA BANK**

Ozona Bank is the latest Ozona business to be awarded this coveted distinction as designated by the Texas Chapter of the International Dark Skies Association (IDATexas.org).

**For more information on the Award visit:** <https://texas.darksky.ngo/earn-the-be-a-star-award/>

*Preservation of our night skies* will help Ozona maintain its rural heritage, lower energy costs, promote tourism as well as benefit wildlife and people!

**Did you know that 80% of US citizens will never see the Milky Way??? Luckily we don't have that problem where we live.....so let's keep it that way!**



#### **Ways to Preserve the Night Skies and Minimize Glare at Your Home or Business:**

1. Direct lights downward
2. Shield lights when possible
3. Use warmer light colors
4. Lights should be no brighter than necessary and turned off when not in use
5. Avoid unnecessary glare as it can do more harm than good when lighting an area

For more info please visit [IDATexas.org](https://texas.darksky.ngo/earn-the-be-a-star-award/)

***Congratulations*** to Ozona Bank! Frank Tambunga is shown receiving the "Be a Star" award from IDA Texas director, Cindy Cassidy.





## *Evening on the Town* was a **HUGE SUCCESS!**

The Ozona Chamber of Commerce and local member businesses teamed up to host our ninth annual Evening on the Town event on Thursday, December 9th, from 6:00-8:30 p.m.

Fifteen local Chamber member businesses participated. Many had activities, refreshments, sales, or specials to enjoy during this festive season. Several other businesses donated door prizes. Customers were able to pick up a free ticket at each of the participating businesses to earn a chance to win one of over 40 door prizes. The more businesses you visited, the better your chances were to win! Whether you needed trinkets, gifts, or were just hungry along the way, there was something for everyone in the family to enjoy.

We would like to thank not only the participating businesses, but those who donated a prize making the evening fun for all. We would like to thank DJ Johnny Tambunga for providing the Sounds of Christmas on the town square, the First Baptist Church for the Live Nativity Scene and Ozona Bank for the Snow and Glow Foam Machine.

The weather was perfect, and it was a great opportunity to promote Christmas shopping in our local businesses.







## Great Turnout for the Grand Re-Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Village Barber and Beauty Shop

Chamber Board Members, Ambassadors, and President, as well as other friends and family, met for a Grand Re-Opening and Ribbon Cutting event hosted by the Ozona Chamber on Thursday, December 9th for Village Barber and Beauty Shop at their new location on the Square. Owner, Sandy Montgomery, was on hand to discuss the recent changes with her business.

“We remain committed to using environmentally friendly products throughout the shop,” said Sandy. “We are excited to settle into our new location and look forward to serving our customers here. We offer family hair styling with specialty colors, facial waxing, ear piercing, and more. We also have a special kid's area. We carry hair products and Paparazzi jewelry and accessories, too, which make excellent gifts.”

Village Barber and Beauty Shop is located on the Square is located at 512 9th Street. You can call for appointments at (325) 392-3803. Their hours are Tuesday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Look at our new **Rest Area Sign** in the **Crockett County Interpretive Trail**. It has really increased our Visitor Center traffic.



Local rancher and businessman Jack Baggett, Philip Walker, Taylor Daily & Thomas Janke (with *Quail Forever*) enjoyed meeting in preparation for February's "Land Stewardship Blowout".