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CHAMBER DIALOGUE

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The Ozona Chamber
of Commerce recognizes
JL Ready Mix
as our
Business of the Month

JL Ready Mix Concrete would like to thank the Ozona Chamber of Commerce for the opportunity of being recognized as the "Business of the Month".

Their business consists of providing the best services possible and they are always looking for ways to keep their customers happy. Fortunately, they have a great team that gives the opportunity to make this possible!

JL Ready Mix is the leading provider of Ready Mix in the Crockett County region. With their Volumetric trucks, they have all of the materials segregated, and the trucks are constantly calibrated. Their concrete has been tested, and they mix onsite. They only charge for the actual concrete delivered, and they pride themselves on providing superior service and the highest level of quality control.

They provide services locally and to surrounding areas, including Ozona, Sonora, Sanderson, Iraan, Big Lake, Barnhart, Crane, Rankin and McCamey. Their business hours are Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., but they pour 24/7 to achieve the best results!

"We are extremely thankful and excited to say that our business is expanding!" said owner, Oscar Lopez.

The Ozona Chamber of Commerce would like to recognize JL Ready Mix for the quality service and products they provide to the community.

For more information you may call (325) 392-2404 or (325) 226-4751, or visit www.jlreadymixconcrete.com.



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"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words but to live by them."

- John F. Kennedy

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Are You Taking
 Advantage of Your
 Member Services?



We encourage you to take a moment to browse around OZONA.COM. Under the Community Tab, you will find Job Postings, where fellow Chamber members post available jobs at their place of business.

If you visit the Hot Deals, under the same

tab, you will see a variety of posts our Chamber members have shared with our online viewers about their business and activities. Chamber members who are hosting events can also post on our website Events Calendar.

Moved your offices? Having a sale? Offering a holiday discount? Have old inventory you would like to move? Do you have a new product to introduce? Hiring? Just need visibility? As an added Chamber member benefit, the Chamber Dialogue is an ideal vehicle to gain additional exposure with businesses and individuals.

Simply drop off or email your flyer to the Chamber office by the first of each month. We will mail your flyer along with the newsletter to all Chamber members at no additional cost to you. Need help creating a flyer...call us at 325-392-3737.

Help us to help you keep the community informed about your business activities. Fellow Chamber members are your customers!

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What services are sought at www.Ozona.com

For the month of September at www.Ozona.com, there were 12,825 business directory searches, and 2,415 actual *member page hits*!

These are people searching for **YOUR** services.

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

Epic Permian Operating LLC - 52	Family Health Center of Ozona - 21
Encino RV Park - 48	Holiday Inn Express Ozona - 21
T Nails & Spa - 42	Quality Inn - 21
G's RV Park - 41	West Central Wireless - 21
Crockett Automotive, Inc. - 40	Crockett County Consolidated Common School District - 20
Ambit Energy - 39	Jody K. Upham, Attorney at Law - 20
Devils River Conservancy - 39	La Esperanza Clinic, Inc. - 20
Sunoco Energy Services, LLC - 39	Ozona Bank - 20
Main Street Realty, Hudson Properties- Will M. Black, Realtor - 38	Triple C Hardware Lumber & Rental, Inc. - 20
Ozona Cable & Broadband - 38	DJH Oil & Gas, LLC - 19
Bahlman Cleaners - 37	Economy Inn & RV Park - 19
D's Liquor Store - 37	Lowe's Market - 19
ASU - Small Business Development Center - 36	Ozona Country Club - 19
Ozona Community Center - 36	Red Stag Operating, LLC - 19
Lone Star Contracting, LLC - 34	Sonora Bank - 19
Total Office Solution of West Texas - 33	West Texas Rehabilitation Center - 19
Crockett County Abstract Company - 32	Hitchin' Post Steakhouse - 18
Plumbing by Rick, LLC - 31	RV Repair Crew - 18
Shannon AirMed1 - 31	DCP Midstream Partners, LP - 17
Zarvona Energy LLC - 31	Freeman-Kincaid Ranch - 17
Alejandro Tree Service - 29	J. Cleo Thompson Wellness Center - 17
Pepe's Cafe - 29	Preddey Funeral Home - 17
Triple C RV - 29	Prosperity Bank - Rusty Garvin - 17
UniFirst - 28	Soto Inc. - 17
Village Barber and Beauty Shop - 28	The Ozona Stockman - 17
CTWP Digital Solutions - 27	Treto's Tire & Towing - 17
Crockett Taxidermy & Processing - 27	Advanced Technology Solutions - 16
Eldorado Animal Clinic - 25	Aries Residence Suites - 16
7 Oaks Ranch / Philip Walker - 24	Bobby Knox Maintenance & Repair - 16
The General Store - 24	Debbie Forehand Wilson, Realtor - 16
Cameron & Oliver Ranch Co LLC - 23	Stokes, John C.P.A. - 16
Hampton Inn - 23	Better Business Bureau of the Permian Basin - 15
Wool Growers Central Storage - 23	Interim Hospice of San Angelo - 15
Natgas, Inc - 22	Johnson Draw RV Park - 15
Double "T" Ranch - 21	Baggett Family Limited Partnership - 14

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Happy Anniversary!

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 November.*

Crockett County DeerFest Association - 1999
Stokes Drilling LLC - 1999
DJH Oil & Gas, LLC - 1999
VIP Ranch Co - 2001
Sutton County Steakhouse - 2006
Western Poster Services, Inc. - 2008
West Central Wireless - 2008
Fort Lancaster State Historic Site - 2012
The General Store - 2013

Redeem Construction, LLC - 2014
SKG Engineering, LLC - 2016
HW Car Wash - 2016
Norman and Helen Manning - 2018
Crockett Taxidermy & Processing - 2018
Allen & Heather Claburn - 2019
Stuart Operating, LLC - 2020
Madyson Grayce Photography - 2021



Welcome New Member!

Travis & Kayla Davidson

Ozona, TX

We thank the Davidsons for their Individual Support of the Ozona Chamber of Commerce!



Services Sought—Continued from page 3

Mi Familia Restaurant - 14
Sutton County Steakhouse - 14
Jarrett Juno Ranch Partnership - 13
Lilly Construction, Inc. - 13
Mediajaw - 13
Ozona Insurance - 13
Stokes Drilling LLC - 13
Allen Ranch - 12
HW Car Wash - 12
Small Town Glow Boutique - 12
Discovery Natural Resources LLC - 11
Dublin Hunters Group - 11

L & B Automotive - 11
Rusty Gold on the Square - 11
AEP Texas - 10
Area Wide Phone Book - 10
Baggett "Bandera" Ranch - 10
Childress Tree Trimming, LLC - 10
Close to Our Hearts Country Store - 10
JL Ready Mix Concrete - 10
Ozona Truck Trailer & Emergency Repair - 10
Pon Seahorn Real Estate - 10
Village Drug - 10



November-December - Veterans Day Exhibit at the Crockett County Museum (Free to Veterans and their families.)

November 24-26 - Visitor Center Closed for Thanksgiving

December 3 - 34th Annual DeerFest Hunter Appreciation Dinner



December 8 - Evening on the Town sponsored by the Ozona Chamber of Commerce

December 13 & January 14 - La Esperanza Clinic at the Chamber (Call 325-947-5601 for appointment.)

December 17 - Crockett County 4-H Junior Livestock Show

December 18 - Community Christmas Service at the Civic Center

December 23-26 - Visitor Center Closed for Christmas.

December 31-January 1 - Visitor Center Closed for New Year's.

Find even more exciting events at
www.Ozona.com/Events-Calendar

September Chamber Visitors:

Visitor Center

-Walk-in traffic into the Visitor Center in September 2022 totaled 1,333 visitors. There were 28 local residents, 840 travelers from Texas, 415 from out of state, and 50 from foreign countries.

Online Visitors

-Ozona.com had 2,549 sessions from 60 countries with 4,783 page views.

-The Top 20 website pages visited were:

1. Homepage	985	11. Restaurants/Dining	85
2. Hunting Leases	475	12. Location	79
3. Membership Directory	340	13. Local Attractions	73
4. Events Calendar	297	14. Pandale Crossing	72
5. Area Attractions	242	15. Lodging/RV	64
6. Photo Gallery	167	16. Airport	64
7. Hot Deals	125	17. Interesting Facts	64
8. Job Postings	102	18. Public Services	60
9. County Officials	95	19. Chamber of Commerce	58
10. History	90	20. Contact Us	57



-The Ozona Facebook pages continued to grow and promote Ozona, ending September with 10,369 fans on the Chamber's Tourist page (OzonaChamber) and 879 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 52,292 and 10,246 total impressions of our posts respectively, reaching people from all over the world with information about Ozona. Our Twitter page ended September with 111 followers and had 371 impressions throughout the month.

Banner Advertising Space is Available on www.Ozona.com

A very limited amount of advertising space is now available on Ozona.com. Our website has received over 40,000 page views in the past year. For inquiries call the Chamber office at (325) 392-3737!

Night Sky Friendly Business Recognition Program

We LOVE our starry nights! Help preserve our rural heritage!

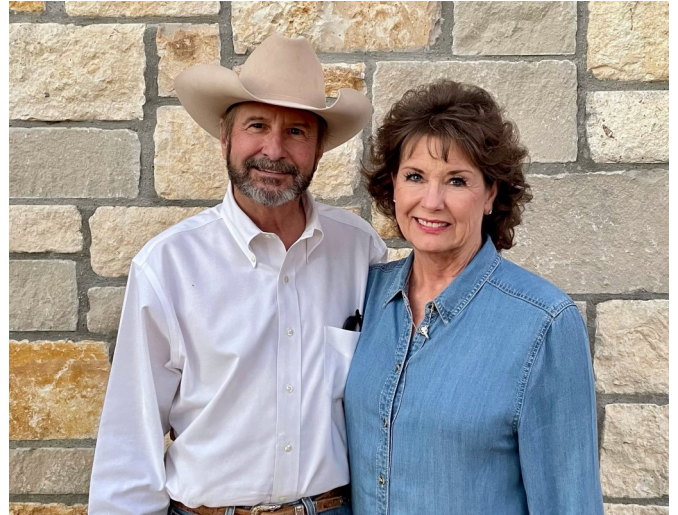
INTRODUCING the newest recipient of the "BE A STAR" Award:

Jack & Jodie Baggett & the "Bandera" Ranch

The Ozona Chamber congratulates Jack & Jodie Baggett and their "Bandera" Ranch for their efforts to preserve the Crockett County dark skies. The Be A Star award is presented by the [Texas Chapter of the International Dark Sky Association](https://www.texas.darksky.org/) ([texas.darksky.org](https://www.texas.darksky.org/))

The steps taken by the Baggetts help maintain our historical heritage of the wonders of a starry sky, meteor showers, the moon in its changing phases, and more. This helps create a region where dark sky tourism can flourish and future generations can enjoy seeing the Milky Way and other stars for many years to come.

We invite you to visit our new Dark Sky Preservation page at www.Ozona.com/Dark-Sky-Preservation to see all the local recipients of this award.



Jack & Jodie Baggett are excited to be the latest recipients of the Be A Star Award!

Good Bye and Good Luck, Vicki!

After many years of faithful service, our Visitor Center Receptionist Vicki Davis has decided to leave the Chamber. Prior to coming to the Chamber, Vicki was a school teacher at the Ozona Elementary School for many years, specializing in mathematics. Because of her love of all things number-related, tallying the statistics was one of her favorite tasks. Vicki also loved to visit with the travelers when they stopped in the Visitor Center, bringing several compliments to the Chamber for her friendly attitude and knowledge of the area. She is very active in the Ozona First Baptist Church. She plans to enjoy her retirement and spend more time with her son, Sean, and his wife, Katelyn.

We wish you the very best, Vicki!
We will miss you!



Above: Vicki is all smiles with her son, Sean, and his wife, Katelyn, at the Land Stewardship Blowout last February.

Right: Vicki always enjoys the entertainment at the Chamber Banquets and being able to visit with the members!





Daisy Galindo is happy to model the Chamber's new souvenir t-shirt!

GREAT STOCKING STUFFERS!

"Biggest Little Town in the World" Gear!

T-Shirt - \$25.00

Koozie - \$3.00

Bumper Sticker - \$2.00

Coonskin Cap - \$12.00

All merchandise is available in the lobby at the Ozona Visitor Center, 505 15th St. For more information, call the office at 325-392-3737.

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Did You Know?

Did you know the date and location of the first Thanksgiving celebrated on what is now the United States territory is debatable? Many believe it was first observed by the Berkeley Hundred charter in Virginia in 1619.

But the most famous first Thanksgiving was held at the Plymouth Colony in 1621 for three days shortly after the first harvest. These settlers, known as Pilgrims, were the survivors of a harsh winter in which half of the original group died due to disease and starvation. The settlers had been helped by the last remaining member of the Patuxet tribe, Tisquantum (also known as Squanto). Squanto had originally learned English as a slave in Europe. He taught the Pilgrims how to catch eel, grow corn and served as an interpreter to the other area tribes. Without his help, it is possible that none of the Pilgrims would have survived. The actual date of the first Thanksgiving isn't known, but many believe it was sometime between the end of September and early November. In attendance were the remaining 53 Pilgrims and 90 Wampanoag Native American people. The feast was cooked by four women: Eleanor Billington, Elizabeth Hopkins, Mary Brewster, and Susanna White, along with young daughters and both male and female servants.

The Pilgrims held another official Thanksgiving in the summer of 1623. This ceremony was likely the first civil recognition of Thanksgiving in New England, because the order for it had been given by the colony's Governor Bradford instead of the church.





U.S. Representative Tony Gonzales stopped in Ozona on his tour of his West Texas District, visiting several local organizations and giving residents an opportunity to discuss topics affecting the area.



Madison DeLeon, Eva Garza, and Rebecca Llanas from Texas Tech Rural Health Services visited Ozona in preparation for upcoming community health care evaluation meetings and future grants. Stay tuned for details.



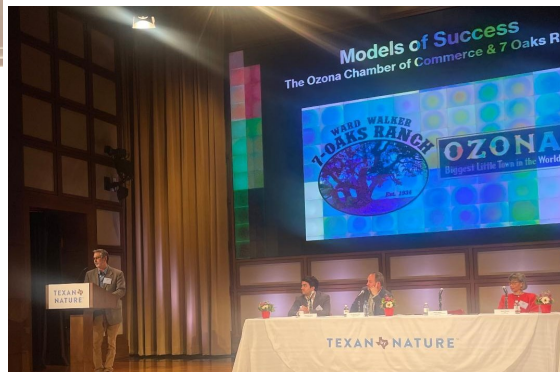
Crockett County Interpretive Trail designer, Terry Tate, is installing a waterfall. The new feature will promote cleaner drinking water for the many creatures that visit the Trail.



Chamber President, Philip Walker, presented a report about the Land Stewardship Blowout hosted by the Chamber last February at the annual Texas Prescribed Fire Council Conference in Denton. The meeting was held in conjunction with the Society of Range Management-Texas section.



Philip made a presentation titled "Models of Success" at the 2022 Texan by Nature Conservation Summit in the Bush Presidential Library in Dallas earlier this month. He discussed eco-tourism to market Ozona, as well as conservation efforts at the Chamber and Chamber member, 7 Oaks Ranch. Above: Stephen Hummel (McDonald Observatory), Brent Looby (Desert Door Sotol), Cindy Lingo (Texas Dark Skies Chapter), Janice & Bill Wren (McDonald Observatory-retired), and Philip.



Here's Philip making his presentation at the Bush Presidential Library in Dallas. Watch the Summit by going to [YouTube.com](https://www.youtube.com) and searching for "[Texan by Nature Summit 2022](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)". Philip's presentation begins at 5 hours 45 minutes and 50 seconds.



Thousands of Monarchs stopped by on their annual trek southward to their winter hibernation spot. Learn more about these beautiful butterflies and their annual migrations at www.MonarchWatch.org.



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