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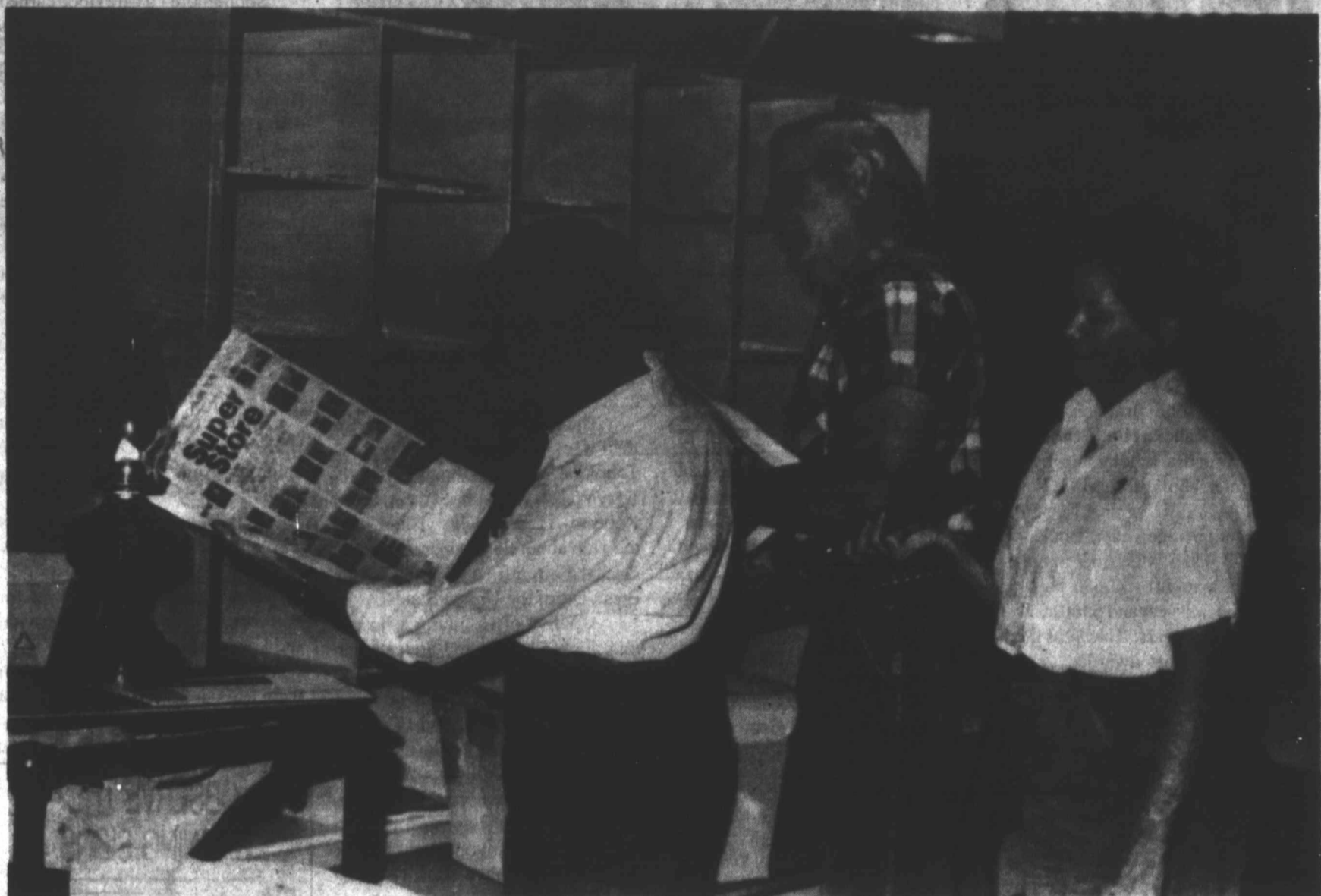
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"NEITHER RAIN, NOR SLEET, NOR LACK OF ELECTRICITY?" - U.S. Postal workers at the Tahoka Post Office had to improvise last Wednesday morning when the city was without electricity for several hours, due to lightning taking out a main transformer at the substation north of town. Flashlights and oil lamps provide some light here as Lenda Wood, Postmaster Leonard Dunn and Donna Robberson sort the mail in the dark (the light from the photographer's flash makes it seem lighter than it actually was). The power went off about 5:15 a.m., and Southwestern Public Service rerouted electrical power from Slaton, with some areas of the city getting power about 8 a.m., but the post office was without power until approximately 10:15 a.m. Most of the city was again without power for another six hours that afternoon and evening, until a temporary transformer was installed. Power was again cut off Sunday afternoon for about 2-1/2 hours. (LCN PHOTO)

Charges Filed In Beating Death Of Wilson Man

The body of Wilson resident Jimmy Ramos Jr., 20 was discovered near Wilson school about 2:30 a.m. Monday and on Monday night a sheriff's deputy arrested a 29-year-old former Wilson resident, Domingo Rios Jr.

Rios was charged with murder and remained in jail Wednesday in lieu of \$100,000 bond set by Justice of the Peace H.W. Edwards.

Officers said Ramos appeared to have been severely beaten and suffered a major head wound. Deputy Charlie Smith said Ramos and Rios apparently were acquainted.

A tire iron was found near the scene, but Smith said he was not sure that it was the murder weapon.

Two wrecks were investigated in the county during the week. On Monday, a 1996 Pontiac Grand Am driven by Michael Scott Walker, 24, rolled over on County Rd. Q near its intersection with N. 8th St. Walker was not treated for injuries.

On Tuesday 2.6 miles east of New Home, a 1989 Pontiac Grand Am driven by Karen Thompson, 42, of near New Home, and a 1994 Caterpillar road grader driven by Kevin Evans, 35, of Mayhill, NM collided. Mrs. Thompson was taken by Lynn County EMS ambulance to Lubbock Methodist Hospital, where she was in intensive care late Tuesday, suffering facial lacerations, a broken wrist, broken nose and other injuries.

David Gomez, 28, of Jayton, previously charged with unauthorized use of a motor vehicle after a 1994 Chevrolet Suburban owned by Jayton-Girard school district was found burned in Lynn County, has also been charged with criminal mischief, said Sheriff Jake Diggs. Diggs earlier had indicated that Gomez might be charged with arson.

A hearing on a motion for change of venue in the attempted murder trials of Seth Peace and Paxton Kubica, both of Lubbock, was being held in 106th District Court Wednesday morning. Peace and Kubica are accused of trying to kill Texas Tech student Stephen Corey Sloan of Hobbs on Jan. 7. Sloan reportedly was shot with a .38 caliber bullet between the eyes in Lynn County, but pulled out the bullet which was still sticking out of his head and walked two miles for help. All the principals in the case were age 19 at the time.

Attorneys for the accused asked for a venue change because of publicity in the case. The hearing was still underway at press time.

Rodney and David Bednarz of Slaton reported that sometime last weekend someone damaged a 1975 John Deere tractor by driving it from their farm in Lynn County about a half mile with sandfighter attached before running it into a telephone pole.

A 17-year-old Wilson man told deputies that another 17-year-old Wilson resident had pointed a pistol at him. Investigation was continuing.

Tahoka Police Dept. checked out several fights and family disputes. Police also reported that they have recovered two bicycles which may have been stolen recently, and asked that anyone who has lost bikes contact the police department and describe their bicycles and claim them.

In jail during the week were two persons for public intoxication, and one each on charges on murder, theft over \$1,500 and under \$20,000, judgement and sentencing on charges of no auto liability insurance, and application to revoke probation on charges of driving while intoxicated.

Tahoka Middle School, High School Registration Scheduled Next Week

Tahoka Independent School District students attending middle school and high school will register next week, according to the following schedule:

- Seniors - Monday, Aug. 5, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Juniors - Tuesday, Aug. 6, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Sophomores - Wednesday, Aug. 7, 9 a.m.-12 noon
- Freshmen - Wednesday, Aug. 7, 12:30-3:30 p.m.
- Eighth Grade - Thursday, Aug. 8, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Seventh Grade - Friday, Aug. 9, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

All registrations will be held in the office of Mrs. Sherri McCord, District Counselor, in the high school building.

Any new students may register any afternoon next week in Mrs. McCord's office, and should bring current immunization records and the address and phone number of the last school attended.

All students must have current immunizations to attend Tahoka I.S.D. An immunization clinic will be held Monday, Aug. 5, from 9-11:30 a.m. and 12:30-3 p.m. at the Tahoka Elementary School Cafeteria, at a cost of \$5 per person. The clinic will be conducted by the Texas Health Department.

For questions about registration, contact Mrs. McCord or Paige Rivas at 998-5146, or call the high school office at 998-4538.

GTE Announces New Phone Services In Wilson

Effective July 31, GTE is bringing the most advanced technology and services to the Wilson area - making GTE telephone service more efficient, faster and quieter. There will be a slightly different dial tone, and all seven digits must be dialed for all local calls.

Beginning July 31, unless customers have GTE's optional Touch Call Service, pushbutton phones will place calls only if the phone's switch is on "pulse". Touch Call Service allows customers to place calls and use other optional services faster and easier.

GTE's new Calling Number ID (CNID) service is being offered in Wilson along with a wide variety of other new services. CNID shows the incoming caller's number on a CNID unit - a phone or phone attachment with display window - if the call originated in the local calling area. Certain phone attachments store time, date and phone numbers of calls.

CNID units are available at GTE Phone Marts and other stores specializing in communications equipment. An adjunct device which stores up to

60 calls can be rented from GTE.

Other new services that will be available include Automatic Busy Redial, Automatic Call Return, Call Block, Special Call Acceptance, Special Call Forwarding, VIP Alert, and Call Tracing Service.

The new services are in addition to SmartCall Services which include Call Waiting, Cancel Call Waiting, Call Forwarding, Speed Calling and Three-Way Calling. These are optional services available in most area to most customers and will work on most calls to prefixes within the local calling area.

Another service named Anonymous Call Rejection, allows the customer to reject calls from any caller who refuses to reveal their number and can be added to residence or business CNID for \$3.50 per month.

Per-call and per-line blocking options also are available.

Residential customers with questions about these services should call toll-free to 1-800-483-4400 and business customers may contact GTE at 1-800-483-5400.

Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
July 24	87	67	.34"
July 25	88	65	
July 26	95	65	
July 27	83	65	.24"
July 28	90	65	
July 29	96	67	
July 30	92	70	.05"
Total Precip. for July: 3.45"			
Total Precip. 1996 to date: 9.03"			

Harvest Festival Meeting Slated

The Lynn County Harvest Festival Committee has scheduled a planning meeting for the 21st annual Harvest Festival, scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 14. The planning meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 12 at the SPS Reddy Room in Tahoka, according to Committee Chairman Jay Dee House.

Anyone interested in submitting ideas to the committee or in helping to plan the event is invited to attend this planning session.

Immunization Clinic Set Here Monday, Aug. 5

An immunization clinic will be held for any public school student needing immunizations, on Monday, Aug. 5 at the Tahoka Elementary School Cafeteria, from 9-11:30 a.m. and 12:30-3 p.m., through the Texas Health Department.

Cost of immunizations is a \$5 administrative fee. Those who have Medicaid must bring a current Medicaid card. Students must be accompanied by a parent or guardian over age 18 who has knowledge of the student's medical history.

If possible, parents should bring their child's immunization card for updating.

Tahoka Independent School District officials note that any student attending TISD must be current on their immunizations before they will be allowed to attend school, which begins Aug. 14.



WRECK INJURES DRIVER - On Tuesday 2.6 miles east of New Home, this 1989 Pontiac Grand Am driven by Karen Thompson, 42, of near New Home, collided with a 1994 Caterpillar road grader driven by Kevin Evans, 35, of Mayhill, NM. Mrs. Thompson was taken by Lynn County EMS ambulance to Lubbock Methodist Hospital, where she was in intensive care late Tuesday, suffering facial lacerations, a broken wrist, broken nose and other injuries. (LCN PHOTO)

TMS 7th Grade Orientation Set

Seventh grade students for the 1996-97 school year and their parents are invited to attend an orientation night on Tuesday, Aug. 6 at 7:30 p.m. in the Tahoka High School Auditorium. A general assembly will be held to give students an overview of middle school activities. Students will be given their student handbooks and agendas at this time.

"We want students to visit the classrooms, offices, labs, and workrooms so they can see where they're going to spend two of the most exciting years of their lives," said Glo Hays, Tahoka Middle School Principal. "Teachers will be on hand to meet students and coaches will show students and parents equipment that will be used in middle school athletic programs," she added.

On Thursday, Aug. 8, 8th grade students will register in the counselor's office from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. On Friday, Aug. 9, 7th grade students will register in the counselor's office from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Seventh grade students who are unable to attend the orientation session on Aug. 6 will be given their student handbooks and agendas at registration.

"Just a reminder - students may register but may not attend classes until all immunization requirements are current," said Mrs. Hays. An immunization clinic will be held Monday, Aug. 5 in the Tahoka Elementary Cafeteria, from 9-11:30 a.m. and 12:30-3 p.m. by the Texas Health Department. There will be a \$5 administrative fee.

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Lynn County Youth Earn Awards For Record Books At District Contest

Five Lynn County 4-H'ers were among 269 members from across the South Plains 4-H District who submitted Record Books for judging recently. All five from Lynn County took first or second place awards in the district contest, and two qualified for the State Record Book contest.

Cody Donald of Wilson and Krystina Kellin of Tahoka were awarded first place blue ribbons for

their record books in the senior division, and qualified for competition at the State Record Book contest in August. If they place first at the state contest, they will be awarded an educational trip to Washington, D.C. as part of the EXCELL experience which is designed as an incentive program for 4-H members from Districts one and two.

Donald's record book was in the forestry category, and Ms. Kellin's entry was in the veterinary science category.

In the Junior 2 division, first place blue ribbons were awarded to Sarah Griffing of Tahoka for her record book on conservation natural resources, and to Klyssa Kellin of Tahoka in the veterinary science category. Casey Donald of Wilson earned a second place blue ribbon in the agriculture category with his record book in the Junior 2 division.

"Putting together a record book teaches these youngsters valuable experiences in record keeping, organizing their thoughts, and effectively conveying their thoughts in written form," said Doris Collins, Lynn County Extension Agent.

"It takes a lot of time but it pays off when the 4-H'ers see their ribbon and even more when it comes time to fill out scholarship applications, and more yet when these youngsters are out on their own; they have a leg up on keeping effective records. Next time you see any of these youngsters congratulate them for a job well done!" she added.

Letter To The Editor

A love fund has been established for 5-year-old Richard Escobedo at First National Bank, O'Donnell.

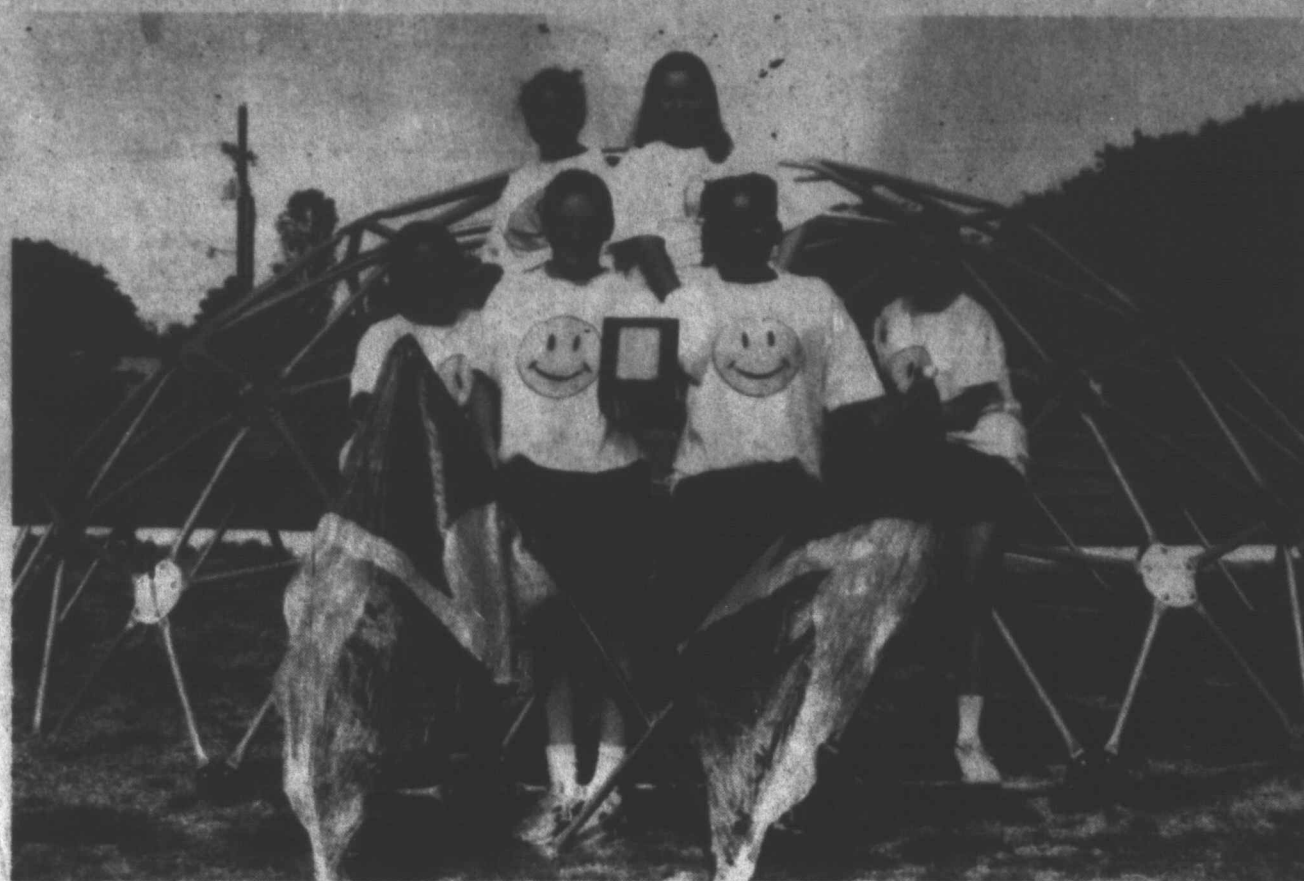
On May 5, 1996, Richard was in an auto/pedestrian accident. He was taken to the Lynn County Hospital, where he received excellent attention. They prepared him for more extensive care and was airlifted to University Medical in Lubbock. He was in Critical Intensive Care for 6 weeks. After several painful surgeries he is thankfully recovering.

He has now been at St. Mary Hospital for 4 weeks and is in a rehabilitation center. He will have to learn to walk and talk again. He is in Room 515 and still has a long way to go before final recovery. Please donate for medical and transportation expenses.

The family of Richard Escobedo would like to thank all of the personnel of the Ambulance that took care of him before they airlifted him to University Medical Center. Thanks to all the wonderful people that have been praying for his recovery. We know he has a bright future ahead of him.

Gabino & Juanita Escobedo

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THS FLAG CORPS EARNS AWARDS - The Tahoka High School Flag Corps earned a team spirit plaque and individual awards for each team member at Flag Corps Camp held recently. They are, on top from left, Debbie Garcia and Diedre Charo, and in front from left, Virginia Escobedo, Michelle Quisenberry, LaTara Hood and Christie Garcia.

Jeremy Brandon Awarded Scholarship

Jeremy John Brandon, a 1996 graduate of Tahoka High School, has been awarded a scholarship by the Texas Interscholastic League Foundation.

Brandon received a Louise P. and Joe B. Cook Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$2,680, payable \$1,000 the first year and \$560 each of the next three years. This year there were eight grants awarded to students who have participated in the University Interscholastic League Academic State Meet Contests and who compiled an outstanding record of academic and extracurricular achievement.

This year the TILF awarded 283 new awards and will renew approximately 212 awards for a total of 495 scholarships for 1996-97 with an approximate value of \$700,000. Recipients may attend any approved college or university in Texas.

Brandon qualified for the 1994 and 1995 UIL Academic State Meets in informative speaking and in one-act play in 1995. He also participated in UIL calculator applications, number sense, mathematics and football. Brandon graduated valedictorian of his class and was a member of the National Honor Society, Business Professionals of America, FHA, FCA, Student Council, Speech Club, Science Club and Journalism staff.

He plans to attend Baylor University and major in Political Science and Pre-Med.

Call Lynn County Crime Line, Inc. 998-5145 to anonymously report information on any crime.

Lynn County Official Records

- June**
- Marriage Licenses**
Troy Fillingim and Darcy Pierce
Bruce Burleson and Stacy Butler
Julian Gutierrez and Miranda Villanueva
Cory Barnes and Jodi Glisson
Sam Ashcraft and Elaine Boone
Juan Gutierrez and Rosita Leal
- Divorces Granted**
Rachel Fuentes and Jesus Fuentes
Warranty Deeds
Robert L. Harvick Estate et al to Gary Russell Moore et ux.
Glen D. Akin et ux to J.R. Brady.
Scott Bennett to Joe Calvillo.
Paul Fashender and Muriel Joy Fashender to M. Bryan Sherrod, et ux.
Lynn County Appraisal District to Cutherto Flores Lopez and Virginia Lopez.
G.W. Jones et ux to Thomas E. Woolam and Dennis L. Woolam.
Plains Bell Federal Credit Union to Ernest E. Isbell.
Willie G. Campbell Estate et al to David R. Wied et ux.
Joe M. Munoz to Tiodora Salinas.
Milton Smith Vaughn Estate to Danny Ford et ux.
Joe Villarreal et ux to Addie L. Hawkins.
Benito Garcia et ux to Rodolfo C. Rios et ux.
Luciano Sosa et ux to Alex Saldana and wife Lila Sosa.
Sam Ashcraft and Lajuana Rimmer Lindsey to Ray Don Box et ux.
Mike Engle et ux to Frank Aleman.
Ray Don Box et ux to Guy Thomas Ward et ux.
James Tom Wells, et ux Bankrupt (by Bankruptcy Trustee) to Jack Scott.

THS Graduate Promoted, Earns Decoration

Billy E. Birdwell, son of Edd and Estelle Birdwell of Tahoka, was recently promoted to lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Air Force. Birdwell, a 1970 graduate of Tahoka High School, also earned the Meritorious Service Medal (third oak leaf cluster) for his work at Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif.

Birdwell currently serves as the chief of Public Affairs at Yokota Air Base near Tokyo, Japan. Yokota is the home of the 374th Airlift Wing. "I never expected that a farm boy from West Texas would ever make it so far," he said. "I must thank God, my wife and my daughter for seeing me through."

During his nearly 20 years in the Air Force, Birdwell has served in California, Hawaii, Colorado, New Mexico, Alabama, Washington, D.C., and Naples, Italy. He holds degrees in journalism from Southwest Texas State University and the University of Texas.

He is married to the former Nancy Branch of Knoxville, Tenn., and they have a daughter, Erika.

Rotary News

The Tahoka Rotary Club met for their weekly meeting Thursday at the Tahoka United Methodist Church. Jerry Webster introduced the speaker, Roberto Ayerdis, who visited with the club about his days on Air Force One, the aircraft solely used by the President of the United States.

A native of Honduras who immigrated to the United States when he was 11-years-old, Ayerdis talked with great pride about being chosen to be maintenance supervisor for the presidential fleet of airplanes, which are stationed at Andrews Air Force Base. He had to ensure the airplanes were in excellent shape and ready to go at all times. Anyone approaching the plane must have security clearance from the White House.

Air Force One has a special seating system. The president and first lady are in the front of the plane, invited guests are immediately behind them, Secret Service agents follow and media are seated in the back of the plane. Only the president and first lady may move to the rear and forward in the plane to guarantee the privacy of the chief executive.

The Air Force One plane, which is a modified Boeing 747, is equipped with over 70 telephones, 20 televisions and an electronic system that can survive a nuclear blast. The aircraft costs an estimated 300 million dollars.

Ayerdis is now the fleet services manager for the City of Lubbock.

Visiting with the club were Abbie Gill of Tahoka, Mindy Woodruff of Lubbock and Tommy Hicks of the Brownfield Rotary Club.

Tahoka Care Center News

by LISA LEHMAN
Thanks to Jo Swinford and Katrina Arsenault for donating Bingo prizes.

We are having a bake sale at Thriftway starting at 9 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 5. Anyone interested in bringing bake goods can bring them to Thriftway or call Lisa at 998-5018.

We wish Laura Montemayor a happy birthday on Tuesday, Aug. 6. We are having family night on Thursday, Aug. 29 at 6:30 p.m. We are having the choir from Pleasani Grove Baptist Church coming for entertainment. Hope to see you here! We would like to thank all the family members who brought a freezer of ice cream for family night this past Thursday.

Anyone interested in volunteering a few hours a week is asked to call Lisa at 998-5018. Bingo prizes are needed and appreciated.

THS Flag Corps Earns Awards

Every member of the Tahoka High School Flag Corps earned individual awards as well as a team spirit plaque and an award for their choreographer at Flag Corps Camp held at Angelo State University, July 14-20.

Michelle Quisenberry, a THS senior and team captain, earned a Superior ribbon and was awarded Honor Guard, an award chosen by camp instructors each day for the most outstanding flag. Junior Diedre Charo also earned a Superior ribbon, and junior Virginia Escobedo earned two Superior ribbons.

Sophomore LaTara Hood earned two Superior ribbons and was awarded Honor Guard, and sophomore Debbie Garcia also was awarded Honor Guard as well as three Superior ribbons. Freshman Christie Garcia earned three Superior ribbons. Misti Norwood, THS Flag Corps Choreographer, was named to the Honorary Honor Guard the first day of camp.

Flag sponsor is Mrs. Margaret Wiseman.

Benefit Golf Tourney Set For Aug. 24

A benefit golf tournament for Harry Howell of O'Donnell, will be Saturday, Aug. 24 at T-Bar Country Club.

Entry fee is \$40. Tee time is 9 a.m. and there will be a meal after the first nine holes.

There will be door prizes for everyone and prizes for closest to pin and longest drive.

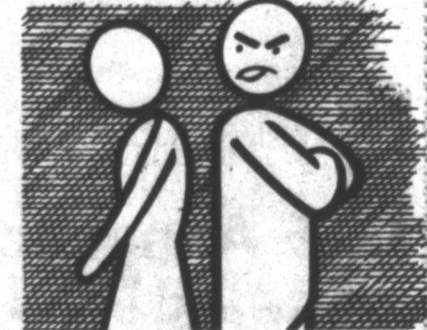
For more information contact Billy Russ at 327-5207 or 439-6354 or Cherry at 998-5305.

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Mandy Lee Miller and Jeffrey James Hill along with their parents, Mr. & Mrs. Milt Miller and Jamie Rivera and Jim Hill, would like to invite their family and friends to attend their wedding on Saturday, August 3rd nineteen hundred and ninety-six at 7:00 p.m. First Baptist Church of Tahoka

Reception following in the Fellowship Hall

WEDDING INVITATIONS

A wedding can be elegant or old-fashioned, unique or traditional. Let your invitation reflect your own special style -- come look at our samples of invitations, napkins, matchbooks, and more.

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OBITUARIES

Julia Dworaczyk

Rosary for Julia Marie Dworaczyk, 73, of Wilson was at 8 p.m. Sunday, July 28 at Englund's Funeral Service Chapel with the Rev. Jim McCartney, pastor of St. Joseph Catholic Church, officiating.

Mass was at 10 a.m. Monday at St. Joseph Catholic Church with the same officiant.

Burial was in Englewood Cemetery.

She died Thursday, July 25, 1996, at St. Mary Hospital.

She was born June 3, 1923, in Panna Maria. She married Dennis Dworaczyk on Oct. 12, 1942, in Yorktown. He died March 24, 1955. They moved to Wilson in 1947. She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church.

She farmed and worked at the Wilson State Bank. A son, Robert, died Nov. 13, 1991.

Survivors include a daughter, Shirley Martin of Wilson; two sons, Walter and Larry, both of Wilson; two sisters, Irene Scott and Gertrude Dryzmal, both of San Antonio; eight grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Dominga Garcia

Rosary for Dominga F. Garcia, 54, of Tahoka were at 7 p.m. Friday, July 26, at St. Jude Catholic Church.

Mass was celebrated at 3 p.m. Saturday at the same church with the Rev. Todd Arntberg, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in Nevels Cemetery under direction of Calvillo Funeral Home of Lubbock.

She died Wednesday, July 24, 1996, at Tri-City Community Hospital in Pleasanton.

She was born in Taft. She married Fidel Garcia Sr. on Dec. 21, 1956, in Tahoka. He died Sept. 2, 1993. She was a homemaker and a member of the Guadalupanas of St. Jude Catholic Church.

Survivors include four sons, Paul, Joe, Manuel and Fidel, all of Tahoka; two daughters, Angelita Herrera of Poteet and Elvira Ortiz of Pleasanton; a sister, Maria Valdez of Tahoka; and 10 grandchildren.

Jimmy Ramos Jr.

Time of services for Santiago (Jimmy) Ramos Jr. of Wilson was pending Wednesday at White Funeral Home in Tahoka.

Ramos, a roofer, died July 29, 1996, on his 20th birthday.

He was a graduate of Wilson High School and a member of the Catholic Church. Services will be at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church in Wilson with Father Jim McCartney officiating. Burial will be in Englewood Cemetery in Slaton.

Pallbearers are to be Duwayne Rodriguez, Albert Vasquez, David Sanchez, Juan Ramos, Lucas Garcia and Raymond Ybarra.

Survivors include his parents, Santiago and San Juana Ramos of Wilson; two brothers, Anthony and Jacob of Wilson; and a sister, Maribel Ramos.

Senior Citizens MENU

Aug. 1-9

Thursday: Brisket, New Potatoes, Okra & Tomatoes, Biscuit, Frosted Cake, Apricots.

Friday: Parmesan Baked Chicken, Kidney Beans, Cabbage, Cornbread, Rice Pudding or Cake with Raisin Sauce.

Monday: Chicken Fried Steak, Baked Potato, Broccoli, Wheat Roll, Bananas & Oranges.

Tuesday: Roast Beef, Brown Gravy, Potatoes, Zucchini, Tossed Salad, Frosted Cake.

Wednesday: Baked Chicken, Pinto Beans, Mixed Vegetables, Tossed Salad, Cornbread, Pear Crisp.

Thursday: Pork Chop, Au Gratin Potatoes, Carrots & Zucchini, Tossed Salad, Wheat Roll, Angelfood Cake.

Friday: Baked Ham, Corn, Okra, Tossed Salad, Biscuit, Peach Cobbler.

Need for Blood Soars in Summer

(NU) - Nearly every two seconds, someone in the United States needs blood.

It takes approximately one hour to donate blood and the actual donation time is less than 10 minutes. Blood bags and needles are disposable and are used only once.

The summer months are a period when blood shortages traditionally occur across our nation. The American Red Cross strongly encourages healthy individuals to help alleviate expected shortages by giving a unit of blood this summer.

A unit of your blood may save three or four lives. Call 1-800-GIVE LIFE (1-800-448-3543) to schedule an appointment.



Before trying to remove a splinter from a child's finger, first numb it with ice.

Allsup's Promotion Raises Money For Special Olympics

Allsup's Convenience Stores, Inc. has made an annual commitment to Texas Special Olympics by donating five cents per ever Honcho plastic cup (44 oz. fountain drink) sold. Additionally, the company has kicked off the program with a promotion, "Chillin' with Chillee," where customers receive a free game piece with each Honcho drink purchase to win up to \$1,000 cash and free merchandise. The game promotion started July 23 and will conclude on Aug. 17.

Allsup's says the annual program will raise approximately \$15,000 for Special Olympics. "We strongly believe in the mission of Special Olympics and are glad to offer our support," said Stephanie Kempton, Public Relations Director for Allsup's.

Allsup's is teaming up with Texas Special Olympics to offer in-store promotions by Special Olympics athletes starting in September. Texas Special Olympics pro-

vides year-round sports training and competition to children and adults with mental challenges. Lubbock is part of Area 17 which serves Lubbock County and the surrounding 19 counties. Area 17 serves approximately 800 athletes in the South Plains area in eight different sports.

For more information about becoming a Special Olympic athlete or volunteer call 799-7000.

Summer Olympics— Men's Badminton Doubles



Huang Zhanzhong & Jiang Xin— Men's Badminton Doubles/China

Huang Zhanzhong and Jiang Xin have been paired together for two years and now rank third in the world for men's badminton doubles. Huang is 28 years old and from Zhejiang province in China, Jiang is 27 years old and from Liaoning province. They met in Beijing after they were both selected to play on the Chinese National Team.

As a pair, they compensate for and complement each other's weaknesses. Huang plays primarily in the front court and is very strong at the net. Jiang plays a fast game and excels in the back court.

In 1995, the pair won the China Open, the Thailand Open, and the Asian Cup. For both, going to the Olympics is a dream come true. While they face tough competition from the Indonesian, Malaysian and Danish teams, the pair is a good bet for a medal in Atlanta.

Rep. Counts Opposes Same Sex Marriages

State Representative David Counts (D-Knox City) and other Texas legislators are at work to protect traditional marriage in Texas. "We are currently watching the court case in Hawaii that could legalize same sex marriage, and are examining our laws to see what the effects of the case will be. Our attorneys are looking at our law in relation to other states' laws and determining what needs to be done to protect our families and marriages," stated Counts.

Many Texas legislators are determined to leave no stone unturned as they work to prevent same-sex marriage. They are ready to add language to Texas state law that specifies "marriage" is a union of one man and one woman, as well as, watching the issue at the national level.

"The Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) now in Congress may be the real answer to this national issue," said Representative Counts. The DOMA says, in part, that no state will be required to recognize the marriages that are licensed by any other state that are between persons of the same sex. A state is also allowed not to recognize the "rights or claims" that come from such a relationship. Counts also noted that passage of the DOMA would require states to examine their current families laws regarding adoption, inheritance, and other related issues, to determine how these changes will address current state law.

"I believe that this is one of the most important moral issues facing our families today. I have had numerous individuals throughout the district contact me to express that they feel same sex marriages will be the destruction of the family foundation," said Counts. "Everyone needs to stay informed on this issue, and should write their representatives regarding their views."

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Pages From The Past...

by Vondell Elliott

The following excerpts were taken from past issues of The Lynn County News.

Free Turkeys Will Be Given Visitors To Tahoka During Christmas Week

Be on hand neighbor, yes just be around the triangle on the Court House Square any and all the four days before Christmas.

At 2:30 p.m., Tuesday, December 21, the local Junior Chamber of Commerce will drop a nice size turkey from the top of the Court House; the person who catches the turkey is the winner.

The second day entertainment (same time, same place) Connor Parsons, flying a light plane, furnished by Dick Mitchell, will drop loose leaflets with the word "TURKEY" written on ONLY ONE leaflet. The person finding the "TURKEY" ticket will be given a turkey. Pilot Parsons has selected the triangle on the Court House Square as his bombing target.

Thursday, December 23, the local Girl Scouts will have charge of a feather guessing contest. The person guessing the nearest number of feathers on a turkey will be presented a turkey. The guessing game starts Tuesday morning and closes Thursday at 2:00 p.m.

And now for the big and final day, Santa Claus, in person, will drop a turkey from the top of the Court House. Catch the turkey and it is yours.

The Lion's Club, Rotary Club, Chamber of Commerce, and the Junior Chamber of Commerce each gave a turkey for the event. The Junior Chamber of Commerce has charge of the turkey distribution.

Dec. 17, 1948

Turkeys Given Christmas Visitors

In the Christmas turkey contests held here last week sponsored by the Jaycees and other Tahoka civic organizations, the following were winners:

Tuesday, Calvin Dorman caught a 14 pound turkey released from top of the courthouse.

Wednesday, Jack Pennington got a 14 pound bird, having found the lucky circular dropped from an airplane.

Thursday, Howard Wood guessed a turkey had 7680 feathers and won a 16 pound turkey. The number was 7701.

Friday, Herbert Watson caught a 20 pound turkey thrown from the courthouse by Santa Claus.

Dec. 31, 1948

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"Good Day Gang" Offers Educational TV Viewing For Children

"The Good Day Gang," a nationally-syndicated program produced in Lubbock which includes three Lynn County children in the cast, is televised in 22 states, Monday through Friday, at 3 p.m. eastern. Lynn County youth in the cast are Annie Thomas, daughter of Dr. Griffith and Cindy Thomas of Tahoka; Bear Chesley, son of Fred and Linda Chesley of New Home; and Ashley Gill, daughter of Stacy and Pat Gill.

"The Good Day Gang" is set in Grady Good Day's clubhouse, in the middle of an apple orchard, just outside the fictional town of Apple Town. The cast of ten children and four adults help children, ages 3 to 9 years old, learn more about the world around them from a positive, moral perspective. The goals of the show's producers are to help children discover the joy of life, build friendships that will last a lifetime, and realize the value of self-respect, patriotism and respect for authorities.

The question, "Is TV really bad for your child?" was posed by the American Academy of Pediatrics in a recent issue of "Healthy Kids" magazine. The article concludes that for children, "TV is a fact of life. It's our reality today, so let's make it a positive reality for kids. It isn't just a question of limiting the negative im-

fact of TV, but it's also about tapping the positive potential."

"The Good Day Gang features original music, outstanding set design, interesting guests and fast-paced scripts, which meld together into exceptionally-crafted programs that children will love and parents can trust," said Rosa Latimer, Supervising Producer of the show.

Recurring segments in the show are: Storytime (promotes literacy), It's Your Choice (deals with making decision in everyday circumstances), Joke of the Day (the joy of life), When I Grow Up (goals and choices concerning careers/emphasizes education), The Big Map (geography and social studies), Crafts/Kitchen (independent activities, life skills, social interaction), and Guest Interviews (promote respect for others and the value of family and friends).

"Television doesn't have to be bad for your child! Programming such as The Good Day Gang makes it easier for parents to limit the negative impacts of television and provides a positive experience for its viewers," said Ms. Latimer.

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"X" MARKS THE SPOT - No, there's no buried treasure underneath city streets in Tahoka, but someone has painted numerous X's on the streets here. According to a spokesperson for The Texas Department of Transportation, the X's are reference points for an aerial survey to be conducted in the future. News personnel tried standing on them and saying "Beam me up, Scotty!" but, after nothing happened, hastened back to the News Office to work on this week's issue.



Queen Catherine de Medici (1519-1589) decreed a waist measurement of 13 3/4 inches for ladies of the French court.

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Summer Olympics: United States hosts Shooters



Wang Yifu & Zhang Quping—Shooters/China

Husband and wife Wang Yifu and Zhang Quping, both top shooters for China, will be participating in the Atlanta Olympic games. Wang Yifu 36 years old is China's number 1 pistol shooter and entering his fourth Olympics. His wife, 33 years old, is one of China's top women rifle shooters and is about to enter her third Olympics.

They have been married for 10 years and have a 5 year old daughter. For the last year, the family has lived in a three bedroom apartment at the Olympic training camp in the suburbs of Beijing. Their daughter attends the local kindergarten. While her parents are away in Atlanta, she will do what a lot of young children do—stay with grandma.

Wang Yifu has won a world title every year since 1991. In 1984 he made his Olympic debut in Los Angeles and won a bronze medal. At the summer games in Barcelona, in 1992, he won both a gold medal and a silver medal. He now considers himself at the height of his shooting career and is viewed as a prime candidate to win a gold medal in Atlanta.

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NOTICE OF CALCULATION OF EFFECTIVE TAX RATE, ESTIMATED UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCES,

This notice concerns 1996 property tax rates for the nine taxing entities listed below. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before it must hold a rollback election. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes and state funds by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rate calculation. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at

LYNN COUNTY APPRAISAL
1636 AVE. J - TAHOKA, TX

Name of person preparing this: **DOVIE MILLER; CHIEF APPRAISER**
Date prepared: **JULY 25, 1996**

	TAHOKA ISD	O'DONNELL ISD	WILSON ISD	NEW HOME ISD
LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE:				
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 957,676.82	\$ 589,639.63	\$ 444,343.94	\$ 438,137.17
Last year's debt taxes	\$ 0	\$ 133,503.31	\$ 35,163.91	\$ 0
Last year's total taxes	\$ 957,676.82	\$ 723,142.94	\$ 479,507.85	\$ 438,137.17
Last year's tax base	\$ 80,140,320.00	\$ 55,626,380.00	\$ 31,967,190.00	\$ 31,749,070.00
Last year's total tax rate (per \$100 value)	\$ 1.19500	\$ 1.30000	\$ 1.50000	\$ 1.38000
THIS YEAR'S EFFECTIVE TAX RATE:				
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 954,373.96	\$ 721,926.92	\$ 478,636.05	\$ 437,585.17
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 80,296,300.00	\$ 54,937,990.00	\$ 32,425,280.00	\$ 32,359,500.00
= This year's effective tax rate (per \$100 value)	\$ 1.18856	\$ 1.31407	\$ 1.47612	\$ 1.35226
x 1.03 = maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing (per \$100 value)	\$ 1.22421	\$ 1.35349	\$ 1.52040	\$ 1.39282
THIS YEAR'S ROLLBACK TAX RATE:				
Last year's adjusted operating taxes	\$ 954,373.96	\$ 588,648.10	\$ 443,536.07	\$ 437,585.17
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 80,296,300.00	\$ 54,937,990.00	\$ 32,425,280.00	\$ 32,359,500.00
= This year's local maintenance and operating rate (per \$100 value)	\$ 1.18856	\$ 1.07147	\$ 1.36787	\$ 1.35226
x Student enrollment adjustment	\$ 1.00381	\$ 1.00674	\$ 1.00000	\$ 1.02631
= This year's adjusted maintenance and operating rate (per \$100 value)	\$ 1.19308	\$ 1.07869	\$ 1.36787	\$ 1.38783
+ \$.08 = this year's maximum operating rate (per \$100 value)	\$ 1.27308	\$ 1.15869	\$ 1.44787	\$ 1.46783
+ This year's debt rate (per \$100 value)	\$ 0.22230	\$ 0.22230	\$ 0.14250	\$ 0.14250
+ Rate to recoup loss certified by commissioner of education	\$ 0.00000	\$ 0.00000	\$ 0.00000	\$ 0.00000
= This year's rollback tax rate (per \$100 value)	\$ 1.27308	\$ 1.38099	\$ 1.59037	\$ 1.46783
SCHEDULE A: Unencumbered Fund Balances				
The following balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.				
Type of Property Tax Fund: General Fund	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 480,000.00	\$ 128,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
Interest & Sinking Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 202,000.00	\$ 46,587.00	\$ 0.00
SCHEDULE B: 1996 Debt Service				
The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).				
Description of Debt:	NONE	GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND	GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND	NONE
Principal or Contract Payment to be paid from property taxes	\$ 0	\$ 110,000.00	\$ 31,490.00	\$ 0
Interest to be paid from property taxes	\$ 0	\$ 12,827.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 0
Other amounts to be paid	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Total payment	\$ 0	\$ 122,827.00	\$ 46,490.00	\$ 0
Total required for 1996 debt service	\$ 0	\$ 122,827.00	\$ 46,490.00	\$ 0
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
- Excess collections last year	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 1996	\$ 0	\$ 122,827.00	\$ 46,490.00	\$ 0
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect 100% of its taxes in 1996	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
= Total Debt Levy	\$ 0	\$ 122,827.00	\$ 46,490.00	\$ 0

	TAHOKA CITY	WILSON CITY
LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE:		
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 266,691.87	\$ 67,340.70
Last year's debt taxes	\$ 0	\$ 0
Last year's total taxes	\$ 266,691.87	\$ 67,340.70
Last year's tax base	\$ 42,818,680.00	\$ 6,871,500.00
Last year's total tax rate (per \$100 value)	\$ 0.62284	\$ 0.98000
THIS YEAR'S EFFECTIVE TAX RATE:		
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 266,470.95	\$ 67,340.70
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 43,067,860.00	\$ 6,754,680.00
= This year's effective tax rate (per \$100 value)	\$ 0.61872	\$ 0.99694
x 1.03 = maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing (per \$100 value)	\$ 0.63728	\$ 1.02684
THIS YEAR'S ROLLBACK TAX RATE:		
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function)	\$ 266,470.95	\$ 67,340.70
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 43,067,860.00	\$ 6,754,680.00
= This year's effective operating rate (per \$100 value)	\$ 0.61872	\$ 0.99694
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate (per \$100 value)	\$ 0.66821	\$ 1.07669
+ This year's debt rate (per \$100 value)	\$ 0.00000	\$ 0.00000
= This year's rollback rate (per \$100 value)	\$ 0.66821	\$ 1.07669
SCHEDULE A: Unencumbered Fund Balances		
The following balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.		
Type of Property Tax Fund:		
General Fund	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 89,290.00
SCHEDULE B: 1996 Debt Service		
The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).		
Description of Debt:	NONE	NONE
Principal or Contract Payment to be paid from property taxes	\$ 0	\$ 0
Interest to be paid from property taxes	\$ 0	\$ 0
Other amounts to be paid	\$ 0	\$ 0
Total payment	\$ 0	\$ 0
Total required for 1996 debt service	\$ 0	\$ 0
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A	\$ 0	\$ 0
- Excess collections last year	\$ 0	\$ 0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 1996	\$ 0	\$ 0
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect % of its taxes in 1996	\$ 0	\$ 0
= Total Debt Levy	\$ 0	\$ 0

The WILSON News by Buster Abbe 628-6368

The officers of the Wilson PTO will have an officers meeting on Monday, Aug. 5. The meeting will be in the school cafeteria beginning at 6 p.m. All club officers for the 1996-97 school year need to attend this important meeting.

School begins Aug. 13. School hours are 8:05 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Breakfast is served from 7:45-8 a.m.

New students may register on Aug. 12 from 6-8 p.m. or the morning of Aug. 13 7:30-8:05 a.m. Bring social security cards, shot records, birth certificates, and proof of residency (utility bill).

Join us for the back to school orientation and early registration on Aug. 12 from 6-8:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Important information will be shared concerning our children's education Pre-K through 12. Many questions will be answered.

Wilson Elementary has a pre-kindergarten program for children who will be 4 years old by Sept. 1, 1996. You may register your child on the evening of Aug. 12 or the morning of Aug. 13. Child's social security card, shot records, birth certificates, and proof of residency (utility bill w/name and address) if new to the district, are needed.

Special Services Available For Area Children

MetroCountry Special Services is a special education shared service arrangement serving Frenship, New Home, Shallowater, and Wilson school districts. Services are provided to children between the ages of 3 and 21 years who meet TEA eligibility criteria and who have a speech, physical, and/or other problem which interferes with their learning.

Services can also be arranged for children from birth through 2 years who are considered to be at risk.

Anyone who knows of a child who may need special education assistance or has questions, should call 866-4276 in Wolforth.

Records are confidential and are kept in the MetroCountry office while the child receives special education services. Once these services have not been provided for seven years, the records will be destroyed. Records for children who last received special education services in the 1988-1989 school year will be destroyed in October 1996.

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Sports Fans Get Their Kicks With U.S. Mint Olympic Coins

(NU) - This month's Centennial Olympic Games will mark a major milestone when women's soccer debuts as a medal event.

To celebrate, the U.S. Mint has included a women's soccer coin among its 16 U.S. Olympic commemorative coins.

"It's exciting to have our sport represented on the coins, along with the events most Americans usually follow, such as basketball, swimming, gymnastics, and track and field," says Mia Hamm, U.S. Soccer's 1995 Female Athlete of the Year. "The coin is a way for us to reach the thousands of young girls who look to us for inspiration to know that they too can be Olympic athletes some day."

Hamm, 25, is generally considered to be the best all-around women's soccer player in the world. She led the U.S. team to the inaugural Women's World Cup championship in 1991 and to a third-place finish in 1994. "Much of the team has been playing together for years, training six days a week, and sacrificing personal time and other activities to become the best athletes that we can be," she says.

Introduced in 1984, U.S. Olympic Coins have raised more than \$130 million for the U.S. Olympic movement. Funds generated from the Olympic Coins are used to build training centers, provide coaching, assist with education costs and oversee participation in the Olympic Games. This is important because, unlike most countries, the U.S. gov-



Olympic coins celebrate 16 sports, including women's soccer.

ernment does not directly support our nation's athletes.

The U.S. Olympic Coins are the official commemorative coins of the Atlanta Centennial Olympic Games. "They represent the U.S. Mint's commitment to the Olympic ideal and our pride in presenting them is all the greater because the 1996 Games will be held in the United States," says Philip Diehl, director of the U.S. Mint. "They are a fitting tribute to the excellence that Olympic competition represents and lifetime reminders of a once-in-a-lifetime event."

For additional information on the U.S. Olympic Coins of the Atlanta Centennial Olympic Games, call 1-800-418-8304.

HEALTH TIPS Giving Yourself a Lift Without Hurting Your Back

(NU) - Doctors often tell patients with back problems that lifting is just about the worst thing they can do. But somebody has to pick up that heavy bag of groceries or that box left on the doorstep by UPS.

- If that somebody's you, these tips from the physical therapists at the Florida Spine Institute, the nation's largest spine care center, should help you pick things up without hurting your back.
- If you suffer from chronic back problems, decide whether it's really necessary to lift that heavy object and recognize your limitations. In the early stages of recovery from a back injury, it may be best to leave things where they are until someone else can pick them up and move them.
- Plan your lift and remove obstacles from your path.
- Test the weight of the load before attempting to pick it up.
- Keep your back in a balanced

- position, and use your legs for lifting as much as possible.
- Remember, your back muscles are not meant for lifting. Their purpose is to work in combination with the stomach muscles to help you maintain a balanced posture while you pick things up. Use the larger muscles of your legs and buttocks, instead.
- When lifting, keep the object as close to your body as possible.
- Tighten your stomach muscles when lifting. Don't hold your breath.
- If you need to turn, pivot your feet instead of twisting your back.
- Use smooth movements, rather than quick, jerking ones.
- Minimize reaching and bending.

The Florida Spine Institute (1-800-477-7746) provides free information on managing back pain, as well as other services for people with back problems.

NOTICE OF ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

Tahoka ISD is looking to fill several bus driving positions. The applicant needs to have the following qualifications:

- (1) be at least 21 years of age; (2) must have a CDL license with P endorsement or obtain one prior to 8-14-96; (3) must pass a physical examination; (4) Driver License check - must have a good driving record; and (5) be responsible and have good character.

There will also be a 20-hour mandatory bus driving training course to attend - the school district will pay the expense of the class.

Applications can be picked up at Tahoka High School in the main office.

NOTICE OF ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

Tahoka ISD is taking applications for the position of Alternative Education Placement (AEP) Supervisor. Please call 998-4105 for an application on a job description. Deadline for accepting applications is Friday, August 9, 1996 at 4:00 p.m.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Lynn County Pioneers, Inc., P.O. Box 223, Tahoka, Texas 79373, is soliciting bids for one (1) 15-passenger van. A formal bid opening is scheduled for 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 16, 1996. Interested persons should contact Kathy Long, Director, for bidding procedures and further information at (806) 998-5264.

NOTIFICATION OF TOTAL COLIFORM VIOLATION

The City of New Home water system collected 5 water samples during the month of July, 1996, that contained Coliform bacteria. The City of New Home water system is required to submit a minimum of 1 water sample each month for bacteriological analysis.

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) sets drinking water standards in Texas and had determined that the presence of total coliform is a possible health concern. Total coliform are common in the environment and are generally not harmful themselves. However, the presence of these bacteria in drinking water, generally is a result of a problem with water treatment or the pipes which distribute the water, and indicates that the water may be contaminated with organisms that can cause disease. Disease symptoms may include diarrhea, cramps, nausea, and possibly jaundice, and associated headaches and fatigue. These symptoms, however, are not just associated with disease-causing organisms in drinking water, but may also be caused by a number of factors other than your drinking water. The TNRCC has set an enforceable drinking water standard for total coliform to reduce the risk of these adverse health effects. Under this standard, no more than 5.0% of the samples collected during a month can contain these bacteria, except that systems collecting fewer than 40 samples/month that have one total coliform-positive sample per month are not violating the standard. Drinking water which meets this standard is usually not associated with a health risk from disease-causing bacteria and should be considered safe.

If you have questions regarding this matter, you may contact Jerry McNeely at 806-924-7514.

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Tahoka ISD will accept bids on the sale of 10 Apple II and Apple II GS computers and several printers. Items for sale may be viewed at Tahoka Middle School. Bids will be accepted on individual computers. Those wishing to submit bids must present bids on Tahoka ISD bid sheets. Bids will be accepted until Aug. 8, at 1 p.m. at which time bids will be opened in the Superintendent's office. Successful bidders will be notified within seven days. Tahoka ISD reserves the right to reject any and all bids. For more information, call Ms. Glo Hays, Middle School Principal at 998-4538.

AND BALANCES, AND DEBT SCHEDULE

Tahoka City		Wilson City		New Home City		Lynn County		Lynn Co. Hospital	
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GOOD HEALTH

Staying Fit After 40

(NU) - Many aches and pains of aging are a result of the "use it or lose it" process, also called "disuse syndrome."

Increased body fat, weak and stiff muscles, brittle or porous bones, low energy and increased risk of numerous diseases from diabetes to heart disease are all related to a sedentary lifestyle.

What's the answer? One, get active. Two, optimal nutrition.

"Exercise is a critical component of staying young and healthy during the second half of life," says dietitian and author Elizabeth Somer, a spokeswoman for Nature Made Vitamins.

The following recommendations are a baseline for designing an exercise program during the middle years:

- Carve out of the daily routine at least 60 minutes of physical activity; that is, climbing stairs, walking or moving. This movement can be continuous or divided into numerous "sessions" throughout the day, such as 12 minutes five times a day.
- At least three times a week engage in a continuous exercise that lasts 30 to 40 minutes and maintains an increased heart rate, such as brisk walking, aerobic dancing, jogging or biking.
- Ideally, at least once or twice a week do some form of strength training, such as lifting light weights or working out on resistance equipment at the local gym.

Optimal nutrition also is key to maintaining good health as you grow

older. Nutritional needs change with age however, and are different for men and women.

The nutritional goals for men's middle years are to maintain peak performance, both mentally and physically. During this phase of life, men are establishing the blueprint for maintaining optimal health in their later years. Nutritional neglect at this stage of life could progress unnoticed until problems begin to crop up in the senior years.

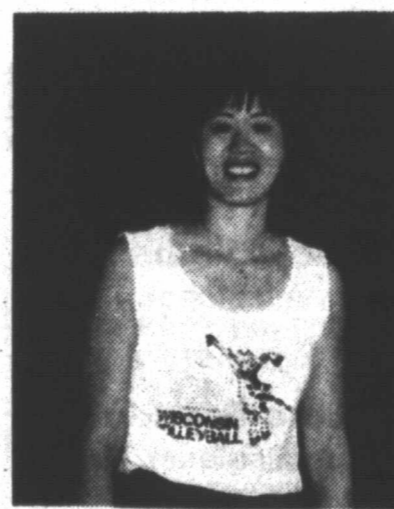
For men over 40, supplementing a healthy diet with additional antioxidants and chromium is a good idea.

For women over 40, a primary nutritional concern is calcium. The gradual bone loss that started in a woman's 30s will progress to osteoporosis after menopause unless women take action. A course of nutritional prevention is vital to assure good health in later years. At this stage of life, supplementing a healthy diet with magnesium, calcium, Vitamin D and antioxidants can fill in possible nutrition gaps.

"Eating right can be difficult due to the hectic pace of our lives," Somer says. "Vitamin and mineral supplements can play a part in helping to maintain a healthy body and mind throughout life."

To learn more about the role vitamins and minerals play in keeping fit after 40, call the Nature Made Healthline (1-800-276-2878), sponsored by America's No. 1 maker of broad-line vitamin supplements.

Summer Olympics - Lang Ping Women's Volleyball



Lang Ping - Women's Volleyball/China

Volleyball has always been a favorite sport in China. In the 1980's, the volleyball players were national heroes winning 5 world championships in a row. One of those heroes—a former star player in China—is now back as coach. Lang Ping is the first woman to coach the Chinese women's volleyball team.

Lang Ping spent two years in the United States studying English and coaching volleyball at the University of New Mexico. At the request of the Chinese Volleyball Federation, she returned to China a year ago to lead the Chinese team back to glory and international fame.

The Chinese are pinning their hopes both on Lang Ping and the new team which will be competing in Atlanta. In November at the World Cup in Japan, China came in third. Lang Ping was proud of that because it is a new team. Since November, the team has been training rigorously. While they face tough competition from Cuba and Brazil, the team is hopeful of winning a medal at the Olympics in Atlanta.

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Successful breeding programs hold the key to the future of cotton production. On the Texas High Plains the Plains Cotton Improvement Program provides cotton producers a significant advantage through its primary focus on developing cotton varieties specially suited to the High Plains.

The Plains Cotton Improvement Program began in 1983. Initiated by growers and funded through a voluntary ten cent per bale check-off at the compress. One of the unique aspects of the program is that it is directed by a nine-member committee of cotton producers from across the High Plains.

"The PCIP's success comes primarily from the strong, focused direction it receives from the Plains Cotton Improvement Committee," explains PCIC Chairman Myrl D. Mitchell of Lenora, Texas. "As a Martin County cotton producer my wish list doesn't always match up with the lists of other committee members. That's good because the diversity of the committee helps us maintain a broad range of germplasm development."

Mitchell notes that the PCIP's ultimate goal is to initiate the development of commercial cotton varieties that every cotton producer can use successfully.

The PCIP accomplishes this ambitious task through Dr. John Gannaway. Gannaway, a cotton breeder with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station north of Lubbock, carries out the day-to-day tasks associated with developing the new breeding lines.

"My job is to see that the agronomic properties producers want and need are available," says Gannaway. "Since the PCIP started we have developed several hundred new germplasm lines and have released about 160 to seed companies."

Seed companies utilize the breeding material and develop the finished products for producer use. Several PCIP enhanced varieties are already available from regional companies like All-Tex Seed of Levelland and Brownfield Seed in Brownfield.

The 1996 installment of the PCIP brings with it an increased emphasis on dryland production and the need for more drought tolerant cotton. Combined with the recent identification of breeding lines exhibiting resistance to disease organisms such as Thielaviopsis, Rhizoctonia and Pythium future germplasm releases should continue to build on the success of germplasm already released.

Commercial breeders have been busy incorporating PCIP developed lines with improved strength, length and yield characteristics into their own breeding programs.

"The future of cotton production on the High Plains is very bright," says Mitchell. "I am glad the opportunity exists to plant these vastly improved varieties, but I am really looking forward to the next five or ten years when even better varieties will be readily available."

Mitchell notes that starting from scratch a new variety can take up to ten years to develop. With the PCIP this development time can be shortened to five or six years because the PCIP is continually identifying and enhancing desirable traits.

"Staying competitive with other cotton producing regions means making the best use of our resources," concludes Mitchell. "The PCIP is probably the one resource we have that really puts us way ahead of other areas. We've already leapfrogged our way to the top of the quality chart and the PCIP will help us stay there."

Bollworm Eggs Hatching In County

Lynn County is experiencing an "enormous egg hatch" of cotton bollworms despite hotter temperatures recently, according to a report from Tommy Doederlein, Dawson County Extension Agent - Pest Management.

Doederlein says the cotton bollworms are still here, although in Dawson County small worms are still being detected but the number of eggs has declined dramatically. As clouds and cooler temperatures linger around the area the chance for bollworm eggs to hatch and develop increase, according to the agent.

"There are reports of fields having been treated that left some worms behind," said Doederlein. "If there is any concern that these might be tobacco budworms, bring a sample of them to the office and I will identify them for you," he said.

Worm numbers ranged from 0 to 35,000 small worms per acre with the higher counts in the Wilson area, he said. Bollworm trap catches in the week from July 10-17 had 1503 bollworms in Wilson, but the number dropped to 946 from July 17-24. In the New Home trap catches, 203 bollworms were counted July 10-17, but that figure rose to 304 the next week, July 17-24.

The Grassland bollworm trap catches showed 1890 bollworms during the week of July 10-17, dropping to 944 July 17-24.

For more information, contact Doederlein at 806-872-5978 (office) or 806-759-7030 (mobile).

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Perry To Delay Cost-Recovery Ag Fee Increases During Drought

Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry says he is delaying previously scheduled Sept. 1 increases in three categories of agricultural-regulatory fees to avoid placing further economic hardships on the state's farmers and ranches.

"The 74th Texas Legislature directed the Texas Department of Agriculture to achieve 100 percent cost recovery by Sept. 1 in most of our regulatory programs, when feasible," Perry said. "Due to the severe drought conditions we are experiencing and the projected \$2.4 billion loss in agricultural income, I have determined that it is not feasible to implement these fee increases at this time," he explained.

Perry this week notified Gov. George W. Bush, Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock and Speaker of the House Pete Laney about his decision to delay the fee increases.

The scheduled increases will be delayed for grain warehouse inspec-

tion and license fees; produce dealer license fees; and seed certification label and inspection fees. A fee increase will be implemented by Sept. 1 as scheduled for pesticide product registration fees, which are paid by companies that manufacture and distribute pesticides in Texas.

Perry said he will continue to monitor and review when the fee increases can be implemented without causing significant harm to Texas' second largest industry, agriculture.

"In times of crisis such as this, state and federal government officials must use common sense and be flexible," Perry said. "Clearly, now is not the time to raise regulatory costs on our producers."

Perry also has asked the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture to rescind its June 6 fee increase that is as high as 400 percent on several veterinary health export fees that certify cattle and other livestock as healthy for export.

SIMPLY HEALTHY

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(NAPS)—Looking for ways to lighten up your cooking? Cutting fat is easy if you know how.

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This microwave recipe for lemon marinated chicken uses lemon juice, soy sauce and lemon zest to create a memorable meal in minutes.

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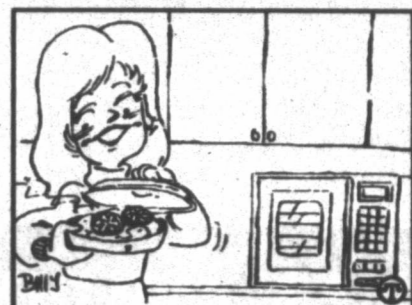
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LEMON MARINATED CHICKEN

- 1/4 cup lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon soy sauce
- 1/2 cup water
- 1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
- Dash pepper
- 1 teaspoon lemon zest*
- 2 boneless chicken breasts, skinned and halved (about 1 1/2 lbs.)
- 4 lemon slices
- Finely chopped fresh parsley for garnish

Combine lemon juice, soy sauce, water, garlic powder, pepper and lemon zest in 2 cup



Use your Samsung microwave to cook delicious dishes without any additional fat. Lemon Marinated Chicken derives its zesty flavor from lemon, soy sauce and garlic.

measure; place in oven. Touch One Minute Plus key 1 time. Place chicken breast halves in zip type freezer bag, add hot marinade and refrigerate overnight or for at least 2 hours. Place chicken in 10" pie dish or 2 quart oval dish with thickest sections to the outside of dish.

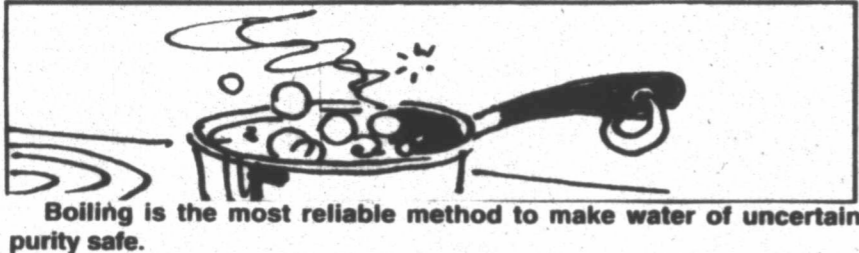
Pour marinade back into 2 cup measure, place in oven and touch One Minute Plus key 1 time. If marinade is not boiling after 55 seconds, touch One Minute Plus key again, letting mixture come to a strong boil.

Top each chicken breast half with a slice of lemon and pour the hot marinade over the chicken. Cover with wax paper and microwave on High power for 10 minutes, turning the chicken over half way through the cooking time. Garnish with chopped parsley.

*Zest is the colored part of the skin; the white part underneath is very bitter so make sure you use only the colored part.

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Elementary Registration Set Aug. 5

Tahoka Elementary School will register students for the 1996-97 school year on Monday, Aug. 5. In order to minimize the time required for parents and students to spend in the process, the following scheduled should be followed if possible. "If not, come when you can," said Elementary Principal Ronald Roberts.

- 1st Grade: 8-9 a.m.
- 2nd Grade: 9-10 a.m.
- 3rd Grade: 10-11 a.m.
- 4th Grade: 11 a.m.-12 noon
- Closed for Lunch: noon-1 p.m.
- 5th Grade: 1-2 p.m.
- 6th Grade: 2-3 p.m.

All children living within the boundaries of Tahoka Independent School District are to be registered if they are at least six years of age at the beginning of the school year, or have been enrolled in first grade, or completed kindergarten in another state prior to moving into the district.

A minor student enrolling in the district whose parent or guardian does not live in the district must present a power of attorney assigning responsibility for the student to an adult living in the district.

Parents should bring a copy of the child's immunization record. Parents of students registering for the first time in this district should also bring a copy of the child's birth certificate.

FREE THINGS TO SEND FOR

(NAPS)—Three ways to fight high cholesterol are diet, exercise, and when appropriate, medication. For more information on surviving high cholesterol, call 1-800-568-LIFE.

One credit card company, AT&T Universal Card Services (UCS), lets its customers use the Internet to get timely, secure information about their accounts. The UCS home page is located at <http://www.att.com/ucs>.

Controlling fleas is easier if you use a flea product that kills adult fleas, such as Advantage™ Flea Adulticide. For more information on flea control, visit Advantage's home

page (<http://www.nofleas.com>) or call 1-800-NO-FLEAS-663-5327.

For great recipes featuring rums from Puerto Rico, send a stamped, self-addressed business-size envelope to Puerto Rico Rum: From Drinks to Desserts, 686 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10103-159.



The average human being can live up to two months on liquids alone.

The Lynn County Harvest Festival will be held Saturday, Sept. 14, 1996

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COOL SUMMER FUN—These Tahoka children know the best way to cool off—just jump in the pool! They are Casey, Carissa, Haley, Maegan and Tanner Hall, children of Randy and Angie Hall of Tahoka. The Lynn County News will print Summer Fun photos as space allows, at no cost.

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BBB Report

A few years ago the Council of BBBs reported that more than 15,000 Americans had lost more than \$450 million in five years to a growing number of investment swindlers playing on religious beliefs. Last summer the Council warned that "while some things may be taken on faith, investments are not among them." Here are some precautions: Be wary of investments that are tied to a religious belief. Be cautious if the promoter tries to capitalize on connections or a leadership positions with a faith group. Be on guard for a new member of your church who springs up out of nowhere with a "surefire" investment scheme. Exercise the same caution and skepticism over investments promoted by members of your church that you would for any other investment. Ignore claims that religiously-based investments are unregulated. They are! Make sure the promoter and investment are properly registered in the state. If you suspect a con artist, contact the BBB or report it to the State Securities agency.

Rising consumer debt is creating concern among lenders and lawmakers. A job loss, medical problems, divorce, or poor management caused by overspending can push some people over the edge and onto a collection agency list. Your BBB advises that it is best to work with your creditor. But if your debt is handed to a collection agency, you should know that there is a federal law—the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act—to make sure you are treated fairly by debt collectors. The law only applies to collection agencies and attorneys who collect debts on a regular basis not to creditors who contact you themselves. A collection agency should not contact you before 8 a.m. or after 9 p.m. They can contact family, friends, or acquaintances, but are not allowed to discuss details with them. A debt collector may not use harassing or abusive tactics. If you have questions or concerns about a bill collector's tactics, you can contact the BBB at 763-0459 or (800) 687-7890 or the Federal Trade Commission.

It seems that auto repair is always near the top of the list of complaints with the BBB. There are honest, dependable repair facilities available in all sizes and styles. The trick is to find one with which you are comfortable doing business. Before you have trouble, start looking now for a shop to take your car to when you have a problem. Here are some tips: Does the shop give a complete itemized repair order with every repair and are verbal or written estimates available on request? Are the technicians and management required to attend continuing professional education to keep up with today's technology? Are the technicians certified by the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence or ASE? Is the shop reasonably clean? Are only namebrand parts with a manufacturer's warranty used to fix your car? These are a few things to ask yourself. For a reliability report on the shops you choose, call the BBB at 763-0459 or (800) 687-7890.

Companies claiming to help unload unwanted condominium timeshares or other resort properties have been generating complaints and inquiries to BBBs across the country. Consumers report that telemarketers

claim the market is "hot" and buyers are waiting for their properties. All the owner has to do is pay a fee in advance to the resale company. What's the catch? The companies promising to resell timeshare or resort properties are not real estate agents or brokers at all. They are advertising firms that simply advertise properties for sale. If someone sees one of the ads and is interested in the property, a sale may occur. Property owners approached by resale companies are advised to read and understand the company's contract, paying special attention to refund provisions and how the price of your property would be determined. Also, call the BBB at 763-0459 or (800) 687-7890 to check the company out.

Could your long distance service be switched without your knowledge or consent? It's happening to many unsuspecting consumers and businesses who become entrapped in a scam called "phone slamming". The scam begins with a company that buys access to telecommunications lines from large, well-known companies and resells the long-distance service to consumers and businesses at a profit. Some of the resellers use deceptive measures to switch customers' long distance services.

For instance, the company that targeted membership groups, especially churches, claiming to offer the members discounts on their phone bills if they signed up for that company's services. Through misrepresentation, the company obtained members' signatures. It then used the

signatures as consent to switch the consumers' long distance phone service without their knowledge.

Phone slamming is illegal. You may protect yourself by regularly checking your phone bills and if you suspect that your service has been changed, call the BBB at 763-0459 or (800) 687-7890.

Call Lynn County Crime Line, Inc. 998-5145 to anonymously report information on any crime.

THS Homecoming is Friday, Sept. 13, 1996

SWEET SIXTEEN?



Happy Birthday, Sis! Love, Klyssa

Your HEALTH TIP

Motion Sickness

Any type of transportation can cause motion sickness. It can progress from a feeling of restlessness into a cold sweat, dizziness and then vomiting and diarrhea. There are medications available. Ask your doctor or pharmacist which would be best for you. Over-the-counter products such as Bonine or Dramamine, can be taken an hour before you start a trip. Check the label for possible side effects such as drowsiness or blurred vision and take precautions, such as not driving a car.

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