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County Jail Passes Surprise Inspection Here

The Lynn County Jail passed a surprise inspection last week, with no deficiencies noted by the representative of the Texas Commission on Jail Standards, according to a report filed at county offices.

State statute requires periodic inspections of jail facilities, but staff at the local jail were not aware that an inspection would be performed last Friday. At the time of the inspection, Chief Deputy Doyle Lee was the officer in charge of the Sheriff's Department, due to the resignation of Sheriff Charlie Smith.

Jake Diggs was appointed interim sheriff late Friday afternoon, and he officially began his duties as sheriff Monday morning.

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TROUBLE-O'Donnell running back Albert Gloria appears to be in trouble here as Sudan's Zach Chester (11) pounces from behind. (LYNN COUNTY NEWS PHOTO)

Judge Breaks Deadlock Vote To Name Jake Diggs Sheriff

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by JUANELL JONES

After a two-year hiatus, former sheriff Jake Diggs is back as head of the Lynn County Sheriff's Department, as he was appointed interim sheriff for Lynn County during yet another county commissioners meeting here Friday afternoon. The appointment was made about 3:20 p.m. when County Judge J.F. Brandon pitched his vote with commissioners Mike Braddock and Sandra Cox-Kizer to break a 2-2 deadlock against commissioners J.T. Miller and Don Morton.

The vote was two for Jerry D. Franklin and two for Jake Diggs, leaving frustrated Judge Brandon to make the decision on who to appoint as interim sheriff for Lynn County for the next two years. Friday's 3-2 majority vote was enough to officially appoint Diggs as interim sheriff. effective immediately since Diggs said he still maintains his peace officer commission, even though he has not worked in the sheriff's department here for the past two years.

Sheriff Charlie Smith resigned his position here Monday, Oct. 26, during the middle of his four-year term. Smith defeated Diggs in the 1996 Democratic Primary election for the office of sheriff, and won

Diggs served a two-year term as Lynn County Sheriff from 1994-1996 after eral election.

The four commissioners and Judge Brandon had met in several meetings concerning the appointment of an interim sheriff, mostly in executive session, and Friday afternoon invited the four candidates vying for the job to meet individually with the court. Diggs, Franklin, and Bob Wilson (a county resident and former ATF agent), each met with the court. Jimmy Bingham, who had previously expressed an interest in the position, did not attend the meeting.

After just over an hour interviewing the candidates individually in closed session, commissioners returned to open session about 3:20 p.m. Wilson did not stay for the open session, leaving Diggs and Franklin to hear the decision.

When the judge, who presided over the meeting, opened the floor for motions, Commissioner Miller made the first motion in favor of ing adjourned at 3:30 p.m. Others appointing Franklin as interim sheriff. Commissioner Morton seconded the motion, but when the vote was

unopposed in the general election. called for, only Miller and Morton voted in favor of the motion.

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Commissioner Braddock then winning the 1994 Democratic Pri- made the motion to appoint Diggs as mary for a two-year unexpired term interim sheriff, seconded by Comand running unopposed in the gen- missioner Cox-Kizer. The vote count, again, was only two as Braddock and Cox-Kizer raised hands in favor of the motion. That left a deadlock, with Judge Brandon put in the hot seat to break the tie.

"I said I didn't want to be put in this position, but I guess I'll have to," Brandon told the court as Diggs and Franklin looked on. "Jake, I'm voting for you because of your experience — congratulations," he said.

Miller then told Diggs, "I will work with you as best I can, and have no ill feelings against you. I just hope we can work in this together."

Commissioner Cox-Kizer told Franklin, "This was not an easy decision for any of us, Jerry. You have been an asset to the department, and we hope you [and Diggs] can work together."

Judge Brandon administered the oath of office to Diggs, and the meetattending the meeting were County Clerk Susan Tipton and Lynn County News representative Juanell Jones.



BEING PRESIDENT of the United States or fooling around with electricity must be a pretty serious business, because I have noticed by looking at some of the new currency lately, and then checking some older bills, that none of the presidents or Benjamin Franklin are smiling.

George Washington, on the dollar bill, appears pretty expressionless, like a strong silent type of guy. He was, in fact, probably the strongest person in American history, because I once read that he pitched his camp across the Delaware River.

On the \$10 bill is Alexander Hamilton, who looks sort of prim and pretty-boyish.

The \$5 bill has Abraham Lincoln, in the only picture he ever had made, I guess, since it is the same one we always see everywhere. Like all the others, he looks pretty solemn. The photo may have been made when he was facing some major decision, like whether to allow his name to be put on a luxury car, or whether to skip a scheduled appearance at Ford's Theater.

Andrew Jackson, on the \$20 bill, looks a bit pensive, but still not particularly jovial.

Ulysses S. Grant, on the \$50 bill, looks like Wolfman Jack. Maybe he looks grim because his parents saddled him with the name Ulysses which, so far as I know, no other human ever had. Certainly I never met anyone named Ulysses.

Ben Franklin is on the \$100 bill. How he got there, I have no idea, since all the other bills feature pictures of presidents. If he was ever president, nobody ever told me about it. But even he looks unhappy.

The reason all these presidents look so grim may be because their pictures were not made behind closed doors in the oval office, and besides, there were no White House interns in those days. When they put Bill Clinton's picture on a \$3 bill, I'll bet he'll be smiling.

Years ago, there were \$500 bills and even \$1000 bills, but I couldn't find out whose picture was on them. The Treasury now is considering printing a million-dollar bill. On it will be a picture of Bill Gates.

A MAN went into a bar, ordered a drink and started sipping it when he suddenly heard a small voice somewhere near him saying "that sure is a pretty tie you're wearing."

Startled, he looked around, but saw no one nearby. So he shrugged and took another sip, only to hear the voice again: "That's a really nice shirt you have on, too." He looked around again, leaned over the bar and looked behind it, and still saw nobody.

About that time, the bartender noticed his actions and came over. "Sir, is there something wrong?"

"No," the man said. Then, after a pause: "Well, yes, there is. I keep hearing this little voice telling me I have a nice tie and nice shirt, but I can't figure where the voice is coming from."

"No problem," said the bartender, motioning to a small bowl on top of the bar. "It's the peanuts. They're complimentary."



\$500 Reward

Crime Line is offering a \$500 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of persons responsible for setting fire to a semi-trailer parked at a location on a county road two miles east of New Home on FM 211 and about three-fourths of a mile northwest of that point. Wood gathered for a homecoming bonfire at New Home High School was set afire between 5 a.m. and 7:30 a.m. Sept. 24, and the semi-trailer parked nearby suffered damage estimated at \$5400 in the fire, which preceded the New Home-Wilson football game. The trailer had been used to transport the wood to the scene. The wood had been guarded all night by students who left at 5 a.m. to go home and get ready for school.

Crime Line callers may remain anonymous –

Lady Bulldogs Win Bi-District Title; **Advance To Area Volleyball Match**

The varsity women's volleyball team from Tahoka High School advanced to the area playoffs on Monday by defeating Anthony 15-11, 15-4 in bi-district competition in Pecos. The Lady Dogs will take on Holliday at Abilene High School at 7 p.m. Thursday (today) for the area title.

"The team played very aggressive ball," said Coach Shari John. Chelsea White led the way with

eight kills and three blocks. Rebecca

Moralez and Judi Webster led in serves with 11 each. Leading in serve receive were Marissa McCord and Moralez.

Hudgens had 19 sets, and Tiffany

Coach John praised seniors Kalie Krey and Hudgens for their leadership on offense.

"Sophomore Tiffany Morales was moved up to varsity and she stepped up and played an awesome

Counts, Bush, Sharp Win Vote In Lynn

Lynn County voters mostly voted for the winners of state and national races Tuesday, with one possible exception being Democrat John Sharp for lieutenant governor. Sharp had 800 Lynn County votes to 678 for Rick Perry, who was the apparent statewide winner, although no winner had been declared in the close race by early Wednesday.

Counts, whose 70th district includes Lynn County, was re-elected over GOP challenger Scott McLaughlin, and Counts also carried Lynn, by a margin of 769-705.

Mac Thornberry, US congressman for this district (13), also was reelected, and carried Lynn County by 1065 to 370 votes for Democratic candidate Mark Harmon.

Another race where Lynn County

went against the trend was for Texas Atty. General, where John Cornyn apparently is the state winner, but trailed Democrat Jim Mattox in Lynn County, 769 to 672.

In the governor's race, Lynn County gave winner George W. Bush a margin of 1201 to 372 for Democrat Gary Mauro.

Nine incumbent Democratic can-Incumbent state Rep. David didates unopposed in county races were re-elected. They are Dist. Judge George Hansard, County Judge J.F. Brandon, Dist. Clerk Sandra Laws, County Clerk Susan Tipton, County Treasurer Janet Porterfield, Pct. 2 Commissioner Mike Braddock, Pct. 4 Commissioner J.T. Miller, Pct. 1 Justice of the Peace Teresa Mason Walker and Pct, 4 Justice of the Peace Wayne Noland.

The total county vote was 1558.

Bonfire/Truck Burning **Brings Reward Offer**

ing bonfire at New Home High School

was set afire in the early morning hours Sept. 24, and a semi-trailer parked nearby suffered damage estimated at \$5400 in the fire, which preceded the New Home-Wilson football game.

Lynn County Crime Line, 998-4505, has offered a \$500 reward for Chevrolet S-10 pickup. information on who set the fire between the hours of 5 a.m. and 7:30 a.m. at a location on a county road two miles east of New Home on FM 211 and about three-fourths of a mile northwest of that point. Ron Rogers of Lubbock is owner of the trailer.

The trailer had been used to transport the wood to the scene. The wood had been guarded all night by students who left at 5 a.m. to go home and get ready for school.

According to a deputy who investigated the incident, New Home and Wilson students have a history of burning each other's bonfires in past years.

School officials at both Wilson and New Home said their victory bells were missing and at Wilson someone had damaged the football field by driving on it with a vehicle, plus graffiti had been sprayed on the Wilson gym and bleachers.

A barn owned by Curtis Wilke, Rt. 1, Slaton, located about five miles northwest of Wilson on a county road, was burglarized Oct. 24, and an air

Wood gathered for a homecom- compressor and hoses valued at \$328 were stolen.

> Two Tahoka students were driving vehicles involved in a collision in the 1900-block of Main St. last Friday. There were no injuries. Melissa Shae Engle, 18, was driving a 1992 Chevrolet pickup and Lorenzo Escobedo, 16, was driving a 1988

> A check for \$85 with a false name and drivers license printed on it was given at a Tahoka business by a woman who said she was from New Home Oct. 14. Investigation is continuing

Natasha Sharee Mensch of Tahoka told police someone egged her 1989 Chevrolet while it was parked on the east side of the football stadium Friday night.

Dispatchers processed 227 phone calls in October, including 104 for the sheriff's office, 87 for the City of Tahoka police, 14 for O'Donnell, 16 for EMS ambulances and six for fires.

In jail during the week were five persons for driving while intoxicated, first offense, three for public intoxication and six other persons on these charges: application to revoke probation on DWI conviction, application to revoke probation on forgery conviction, bench warrant, public intoxication plus possession of narcotics paraphernalia and driving while license suspended.

Check Attic Vents For Home Furnaces Says City Fire Marshal Here

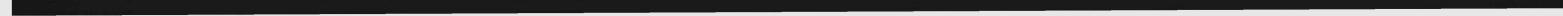
Tahoka City Fire Marshal Jerry Ford reminds area homeowners to carefully check vent connections in attics before using furnaces for heat this winter, especially if the home was re-roofed recently. Attic vents can easily become disconnected from roof vents, causing carbon monoxide poisoning and possibly asphyxiation if unchecked.

Homeowners should get a family member or plumber to check the vent connections in the attic before using furnaces.

Carbon monoxide detectors are relatively inexpensive (\$30-\$40) and provide additional security against carbon monoxide poisoning. If a homeowner already has carbon monoxide detectors inside the home, check the batteries to ensure the device is still working properly. Batteries should be replaced periodically.

"We've already had one incident this year when a family was in danger of asphyxiation from carbon monoxide poisoning, from an attic vent that became dislodged during roofing," Ford told The News this week. "Please carefully check your vents - if you can't physically climb into your attic to check, then call a family a member or plumber or other qualified person to check it for you," he emphasized.

match," said Coach John.

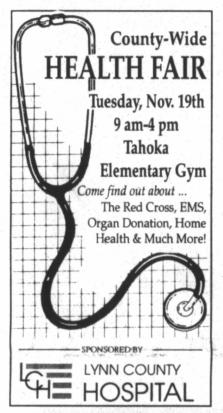


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PUMPKIN DECORATIONS - Winners in the recent pumpkin decorating contest benefitting Christmas for Kids included Dustin Brookshire (right), Champion Pumpkin Carver, and 1st place winner; and Crystal Ortiz (left) Reserve Champion. Other winners (not pictured) were: Kindace Druesedow, 1st and 3rd; Monty Jolly, 1st and 3rd; Farron Kelly, Kenneth Strapps and John Strapps, 2nd; and Micah Druesedow, 3rd. (LCN PHOTO)

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Lynn Hospital **Board Meets**

The board of directors of Lynn County Hospital District met in regular session at the hospital last Wednesday, formally signed a contract for a new doctor at the hospital, and approved routine changes in the medical staff bylaws.

The contract for Dr. Bruce Fried already had been signed by Administrator Louise Landers and by Dr. Fried, but members of the board added their names to the document to indicate their full support of the agreement.

A reception for Dr. Fried is planned in late November, before the doctor opens practice Dec. 1 in an office between the offices of Dr. Griffith Thomas and Dr. Donald Freitag.

Present Wednesday evening were Mrs. Landers, board president Billy Tomlinson and members Jerry Ford, Dalton Wood, Virginia Griffing and Joe Hays. Absent were Mike Rivas and Peggy Morton.

Letters To The Editor

Dear Juanell:

It is rather late to be writing a thank you note to you and the City of Tahoka for all the love and support that was shown to my father, Dr. K.R. Durham, in August when he moved from Tahoka to Longview after having lived in Tahoka for 70 years.

The article that you wrote about my father in the Thursday, August 6, **1998 LYNN COUNTY NEWS was** so well written and had so much of his life story that my family and I will cherish it forever. Thank you for getting so much history from him about his life!

First Baptist Church had "Dr. K.R. Durham Day" on Sunday, August 9. Many spoke at the service about his contributions to the Church, to dentistry, and to the City of Tahoka. We all deeply appreciated this. In addition to the Church recognition, the Masonic Lodge and Rotary Club recognized his membership and contributions. During his last days in Tahoka, many friends came by and said their good-byes and he has received several phone calls from Tahoka friends since moving.

He misses Tahoka and all of his friends there but he is very satisfied with his new surroundings and has made new friends. He regularly attends church in Longview with my brother, Ken. Tahoka and the people in Tahoka will always have a very special place in our hearts. Ken and I cherish our memories of our childhood and high school days in Tahoka, as did our sister, Margaret.

It is interesting to note that my dad saved the first Lynn County News after his arrival in Tahoka, dated August 9, 1928 which mentioned his arrival in Tahoka as a new dentist. Then, your wonderful article dated August 6, 1998 shows so vividly that dad lived in Tahoka almost exactly 70 years!

Thank you again for taking time to interview my dad, take his picture and publish the article.

Sincerely, /s/ Dot Durham Park



LOCAL SWCD GETS TOP AWARD - The Lynn County Soil and Water Conservation District received the top award at the 58th Annual Meeting of the Soil and Water Conservation District Directors held in Corpus Christi recently. They were named the Grand Award Winner for the State of Texas in a nationwide competition, competing with 206 SWCD districts in Texas. Individual plaques were awarded to each director as well as a district plaque (shown by Helen Saldana, district secretary). From left are directors W.R. Steen (chairman), Michael White, H.G. Franklin (vice chairman), Ray Mason (secretary-treasurer), Glen Brewer, Mrs. Saldana, and District Conservationist Mario Avila. (LCN PHOTO)

State Champ Stanton Due Here Friday

Defending state Class AA football champion Stanton, 8-1 this season, will come to Tahoka Friday night as the last opponent for the Tahoka Bulldogs this season.

Tahoka went down 21-0 at Coahoma last week to drop its season record to 2-7. Meanwhile, Stanton, which was upset by Seagraves 33-21 a few weeks ago, in a game which moved Stanton from the No. 1 spot in the state rankings, rolled over Post 49-7, the first district loss for the Antelopes.

Blake Nichols led Coahoma with one touchdown and 145 yards rushing against the Bulldogs. All the scoring was in the first half, as the Tahoka defense stiffened in the last half.

Auggie Cantu gained 22 yards rushing and Marlon Womack gained 24, each on 11 carries. Brady Raindl

Local Conservation District Receives National Conservation Award

The Lynn County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD), was named Grand Award Winner at the 58th Annual Meeting of the Soil and Water Conservation District Directors held in Corpus Christi, Oct. 12-14.

The award was presented to the SWCD as a result of a nationwide competition sponsored by the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company in cooperation with the National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD).

In addition to receiving a special

Chelsey Miller Wins Football Contest

It was an unusually tough week for area football teams, with lots of upsets, as evidenced by the high number of misses in the Lynn County News' weekly football contest. Chelsey Miller, who missed three games, was the winner for the week and claims the \$10 prize money. She did not name one of the secret sponsors to double her money.

plaque recognizing its soil and water conservation achievements, a board member from the Lynn County SWCD will participate in a grand awards tour in December. The board member and their spouse will receive an all-expense paid work-study trip to the Camelback Inn Resort in Scottsdale, Arizona along with other district directors from other winning

SWCDs throughout the United States. The Lynn County board mem-. bers include W.R. Steen, Charles Ray Mason, Jr., Glen Brewer, H.G. Franklin and Michael Gene White.

Holiday Rally Day **Offered Nov. 9**

The Lynn County FCE (Family Community Education) Clubs are hosting a 1998 "Home For The Holidays" rally day on Monday, Nov. 9 at

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Sweet Street Baptist To Speak Out On **Moral Decline**

Due to the moral decay of our society, we feel compelled of the Lord to speak out. Several issues have contributed to a fallen moral condition of our land. These are subjects that many believe should just be left alone. Some may strongly disagree, but we must speak out.

These messages will be presented in the regular Sunday morning worship of the Sweet Street Baptist Church for the rest of 1998.

What is God's will concerning such hot topics as

- God's Will for the Family (Divorce, remarriage and shacking up)
- God's Will for the Unborn (Teen pregnancy and abortion)
- God's Will for the Homosexual (Can they change? Should they change?)
- God's Will for the Alcoholic (Is there hope?)
- God's Will for Sexuality (Adultery, fornication and porn)
- God's Will for the Gambler . (Eight liners and the lottery)
- God's Will for the Racist (Interracial relationships)

The Sweet Street Baptist Church invites you to attend these services and hear what God's word teaches about morality in our times.

1300 Avenue J in Tahoka • 998-5310

I would like to take this opportunity to address the person or persons responsible for sending the Tahoka School Board Members unsigned letters of disapproval.

Dear Editor,

Should anyone feel strongly about any subject matter that warrants the attention of the School Board, I believe they should also feel strongly enough to sign the letter before sending it.

It is completely unforgivable to try and get attention for a subject matter that, first of all, is only part of a small town rumor mill and, secondly, it is unethical to attempt creating a smear campaign that will benefit no one.

Maybe the person that wishes this rumor to continue should take a moment to sit back and put yourself in the place of the accused. Imagine how you might feel if the tables were turned.

I personally do not appreciate receiving unsigned mail of such a serious nature.

I've got

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the future!

Thank You, /s/ Leighton Knox, Jr.

completed 8 of 22 passes and Jeremy Vega completed 3 of 6 passes.

On defense, linebacker Gene DeLeon had 6 solo tackles and 5 assists and Blandon Hancock had 8 solo tackles and 1 assist. Gary Chapa was in on 7 tackles and Cantu was involved in 6. D.J. Sims had 5 tackles, including two quarterback sacks. GAME AT A GLANCE

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Secret sponsors included White Funeral Home, Tahoka Thriftway, Dr. Richard White, DDS, and Huffaker, Green & Huffaker.

This week's contest is the last chance for participants to enter. All entries from throughout the 10-week contest will be entered in the grand prize drawing next week for a new 19-inch color television given away by Higginbotham-Bartlett Lumber Co. Entries are due by 4 p.m. Friday.

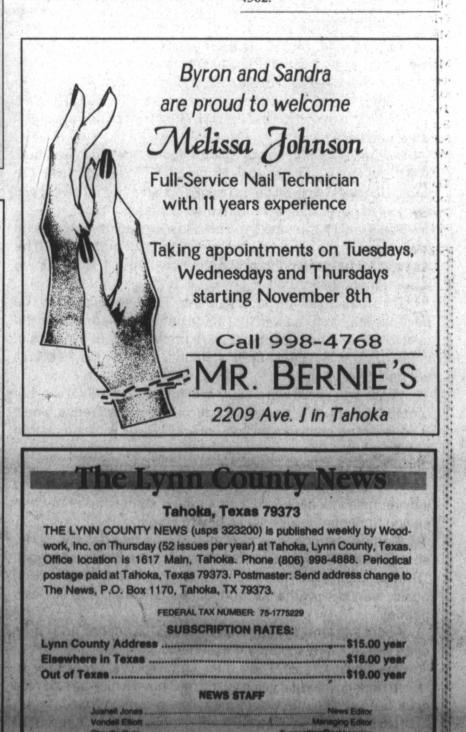
The Center, 1400 Ave. K, in Tahoka. The first session will be a cooking demonstration by area agents from 4-6 p.m.

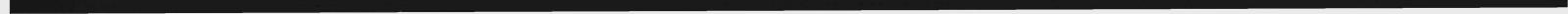
The second session will be a hands-on craft demonstration from 6:30-8:30 p.m. and participants will construct a snowman from a clay flower pot.

A skit about bugs, mold, mildew and rot will be presented by Kathy. Grant and Katie Slone.

Refreshments will be served. Registration is \$10 for both sessions plus two canned goods to be donated to needy families during the holidays.

Call the Lynn County Extension office for more information, 806/998-4562.







END-OFF TO BI-DISTRICT - An impromptu pep rally was the send-off for the Tahoka High School varsity girls volleyball team as they headed for Bi-District playoffs in Pecos Monday afternoon. The Lady Bulldogs claimed the Bi-District Title after beating Anthony, and are now in the Area playoffs against Holliday. That game is set for tonight (Thursday) at Abilene High. (LCN PHOTO)

Cricket Baldridge Dale

Funeral services for Cricket Baldridge Dale, 93, of Houston, were held in Houston last week. Mrs. Dale died Oct. 27, 1998.

She was born in Feb. 1905 in Tahoka, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H.E. Baldridge, who was an organizer of Lynn County, a member of the first county commissioners court, and co-founder of O'Donnell. Mrs. Dale was the last surviving child of the Lynn County pioneer.

She is survived by two grandchildren.

Joseph Rojas

Services for Joseph Antonio Rojas, infant son of Anthony Rojas and Josie Uriegas of Lubbock, were held at 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 30 in Calvillo Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Etimio Gonzalez of Templo Nazarette officiating.

Burial was in Peaceful Garden Cemetery.

Joseph was stillborn Wednesday, Oct. 28, 1998, in University Medical Center in Lubbock.

Survivors include his parents; a brother, Joshua David of Lubbock; his paternal grandparents, Linda and

Lubbock and Elpidio and Lupe

Tahoka

November 9-13

Breakfast

Monday: Sausage, Biscuit, Apple Juice,

Tuesday: Cinnamon Roll, Mixed Fruit,

Wednesday: Donuts, Pineapple Bits,

Thursday: Cheese Toast, Fruit Juice,

chool Menu

Solorzano of Tahoka; and his maternal great-grandmother, Laura Ortega of Lubbock.

Stella Hurst

Services for Stella Hurst, 92, of Georgetown were held Friday, Oct. 30, in Davis Funeral Home with burial in the IOOF Cemetery in Georgetown.

She died Tuesday, Oct. 27, 1998, in Georgetown.

She was born April 21, 1906, in Comanche County. She moved to O'Donnell in 1913. She graduated from O'Donnell schools. She married Warren Ray Hurst in 1931. They moved to Monument, N.M., in 1934. Herhusband, a son, Jack, and a daughter, Virginia, preceded her in death. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Monument, N.M.

Survivors include three daughters, Mildred Schill of Brady, Betty West of Taylor and Claudine Lamer of North Carolina; three sons, E.H. of Houston, Gerald of Las Vegas, Nev., and Weldon of Boerne; a bother, Arnol Hester of Dallas; two sisters, Adina Bush of Lubbock and Carol Spann of Dalhart; 22 grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren.

Phebe K. Warner **To Host Story Time**

Beginning Nov. 11, the Phebe K. Warner Study Club will sponsor a "story time" each Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the City County Library. Preschool children are invited to come to the library with an adult and have a club member read them a story.

"Story Time" is a project of the Youth Literacy Campaign.

The library is located inside the Life Enrichment Center at 1717 Main Street in Tahoka. For more information about this project, call Shirley Draper at 998-4050.



David and Lisa Cook of Tahoka announce the birth of a son, Braden James Cook, born at 10:37 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, 1998 in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital. He weighed 6 lbs. 15 oz. and was 19 1/4 inches long.

Grandparents are Pat and Suette Green of Sinton, Bobby and Sherry Martin and Bobby Cook, all of Tahoka and the late Barbara Cook.

Great-grandparents are Wayland and Eloyse Wood of Midland and

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O'Donnell Suffers First Loss, 42-13 **To Sudan Hornets**

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A defensive lapse by the O'Donnell Eagles just before the end of the first half proved disastrous as Sudan scored twice in the last 3 minutes of the half and then went on to hand O'Donnell its first loss of the season 42-13.

O'Donnell, now 8-1 for the year, appeared to be in good shape until just before halftime. The Eagles took a 7-0 lead two minutes into the game O' when QB Manny Gutierrez hit Ramiro Montez with a 5-yard scoring pass. This came after Rene Sanchez recovered a Sudan fumble on the opening kickoff at the Hornets 30.

ond period on a 6-yard scoring run which followed an Eagle fumble. Shortly after that Eagles running back Tatum Bessire went down the left sideline 65 yards for a TD, and it was 13-7. But Sudan scored twice more, once after recovering an onside kick, and led 21-13 at halftime.

In the second half, O'Donnell was unable to score, and Sudan scored three more times.

Bessire had 91 yards rushing on 14 carries.

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November 9-13

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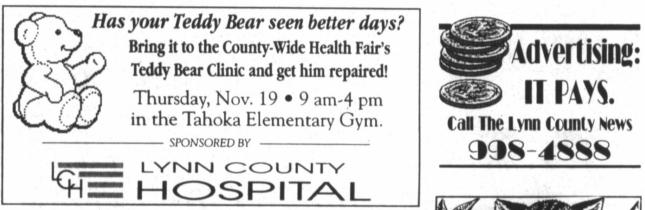
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EAGLES MOVE IN-A flock of O'Donnell Eagles led by Manny Gutierrez (12) is moving in on runner Donyale Weaver of Sudan. Other Eagles here include Jesus Villa (68). The Sudan victory was the first defeat for O'Donnell this season. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)



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Thursday: Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Roll, Milk. Friday: Hamburger, Lettuce, Onion, Pickles, Fries, Purple Plum Cobbler, Milk.



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Albert Solorzano of Lubbock; his Volunteers Needed To maternal grandparents, Connie and Frank Uriegas of Lubbock; his pater-**Read With Students** nal great-grandparents, Ben Rojas of

> Tahoka Middle School students and staff are working to improve the reading abilities of students before they become high school students. At this time there are several students who need an adult to read with them. Reading periods are from 1:48 to 2:37 and from 2:41 to 3:30 daily.

> Any adult who is willing to read with a student one day a week for 45 minutes to 1/12 hours is encouraged to contact Middle School Principal Glo Hays at 998-4538.

> "You will be giving the gift of a lifetime when you help someone learn to read," said Mrs. Hays.

NEW AT THE LIBRARY Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya

Sisterhood

by Rebecca Wells When Vivi and Siddalee Walker, an

unforgettable mother-daughter team, get into a savage fight over a New York Times article that refers to Vivi as a "tap-dancing child abuser," the fallout is felt from Louisiana to New York to Seattle. Siddalee, a successful theater director with a huge hit on her hands, panics and postpones her upcoming wedding to her lover and friend, Connor McGill.

Vivi's intrepid gang of lifelong girlfriends, the Ya-Yas, sashay in and conspire to bring everyone back together by convincing Vivi to send Sidda a scrapbook of girlhood mementos entitled "Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood."

With scrapbook in hand, Sidda retreats to a cabin in Washington state intent on discovering the key to the tangle of anger and tenderness she feels toward her mother. But Vivi's album reveals more questions than answers and leads Sidda to encounter the legacy of imperfect love and the unknowable mystery of

Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood calls to mind The Joy Luck Club in its exploration of the relationships between mothers and daughters; in its unearthing of family secrets, it evokes The Prince of Tides. Ruth Wells has created a big, original, incandescent novel whose Louisiana landscape and indelible characters radiate with grace, wit, and love.

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Loretta Jones of Tahoka. ***

Rusty and Karen Jennings of Little Rock, Ark. announce the birth of a daughter, Katherine Elyse, born at 12:00 p.m.Wednesday, Oct. 28, 1998 in Little Rock. She weighed 7 lbs. 8 oz. and was 20 inches long. Grandparents are Phil and Peggy Jennings of Tahoka and Charles and Ruth Ganze of Houston.

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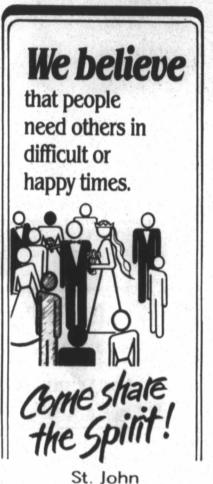




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DEMOLITION PROJECT - City of Tahoka workers demolish the old Community Center on South 1st Street this week, tearing down the condemned building. This photo was taken early Monday afternoon, as workers (LCN PHOTO) bulldozed the north side of the building.



Mustangs Lose To Dawson 34-30

Despite five touchdown passes by Casey Donald and the quarterback's 109 yards rushing, Wilson was nosed out 34-30 by the visiting Dawson Dragons Saturday, in a six-man football game postponed from Friday night by stormy weather.

Joel Garza and Jay Paul Kirk each caught two of Donald's touchdown passes, and one was hauled in by Billy Cavender. Garza's TD catches were 29 and 26 yards, Kirk's were for 10 and 1, and Cavender's covered 20 yards. Donald passed for 182 yards.

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Fruit, Milk. Friday: Pizza, Tossed Salad, Fruit, Milk.

Law requires employers to report all new employees

information on newly hired employees A new law went into effect Oct. 1 to the State Directory of New Hires. that requires all employers to report

The Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 was designed as an effort to improve the collection of child support and reduce fraud in unemployment insurance, workers' compensation and Medicaid and food stamp programs. Under the act, employers have 20 days from an employee's start date to sub-



WILSON 40TH CLASS REUNION - John and Mary Henderson's home, near Wilson, was opened to the Wilson Class of 1958 on Saturday, Oct. 24 for a 40th class reunion. Classmates came from as far away as Las Vegas, Nev., Harlingen, Kerrville, Austin, Roundrock, Goliad, Claude, etc. Among the 21 attending were John and Mary Henderson, Arlis Ehlers, Ed Eakin, Mark Pair, Martha Willard, Kenneth Hanes, Kenneth Ethridge. Billy Fox, Joe Baker, William Phillips, Bonnie Barrington, Shirley Young, Joyce Harkey, Marcia "Daisy" Breedlove, Nita Prohl and Norma Wood.

Wilson VIP Lunch Set For Nov. 11

Wilson schools are hosting the Wilson V.I.P. Lunch on Wednesday,

Lunch starts with the Pre-K class School at 1 p.m. Please R.S.V.P. to the elementary office by Friday, Nov. 6. The menu that day will be Turkey and Dressing with all the trimmings. Cost is \$3.25 for adults and \$2

for children. No carry-out trays will be available.

For Infant On First Birthday Tahoka Hospital has had a little of everything - broken arms, pneumonia, measles, blacked eyes and whooping cough - but it had one of its "firsts" Saturday - a birthday party.

Little Juanita Arellano, the 1964 New Year baby, born prematurely Jan. 9, came in with her parents and together with the hospital staff celebrated her first birthday Saturday afternoon.

She was delivered by Dr. Skiles Thomas last year at the tiny size of two pounds, seven ounces. From that day until 47 days later, on Feb. 25, when she was released, Juanita became a pretty important little girl around the hospital.

Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Lupe Arellano of Route 1, Wilson. They have six older children, one other daughter and five sons. The family has lived on the Louis Brosch farm, one mile west of Wayside, for 17 years, former place of the late C.A. Gould.

On Juanita's second day of life, feeding began at the hospital measured by cc's. She began losing weight, as all babies do after birth, and dropped to two pounds at 10 days of age. Then she began to slowly regain her weight, ounce by precious ounce, until 20 days after birth, weighed two pounds, eight ounces. From then on, sailing was fairly smooth.

by Vondell Elliott

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

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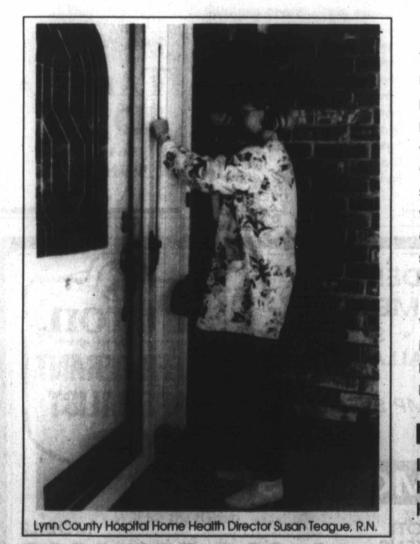
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Employers with locations in more than one state can opt to designate a single state to report all new hires, or choose to report in each individual state where they have employees. Companies choosing to designate a single state must comply with all unique state reporting requirements and notify:

Department of Health and Human Services

Multistate Employer Registration Office of Child Support Enforcement P.O. Box 509 Randallstown, MD 21133 Fax 410-277-9325 Texas Association of Business & Chambers of Commerce, 1-800-856-

6721.

The entire staff fell in love with the little curly headed girl and when she was dismissed on Feb. 25 at the husky size of three pounds, four ounces, happiness was mingled with tears.

Saturday she came back for a social call, complete with a birthday cake to share with her nurses and doctors, although Dr. Thomas was out of town on business. On that day, Juanita "weighed in" at 16 pounds, four ounces.

To prove they think Juanita is all "sterling"; the staff presented her with a silver youth set, knife, fork and spoon. - Jan. 15, 1965

License Plate Design Changed

Passenger car license plates will have a new numbering system this year which the Texas Highway Department thinks will be better.

Instead of a prefix of two letters of the alphabet and four numerals; the new tags will have three letters and three numerals. Among the letters, there will be no vowels.

License tag numbers assigned to Lynn county for 1965 are: CCC 5000 to 999, CGD 10 to 999, CGF 10 to 999, CGH 10 to 999, and CGJ 10 to 449, states George McCracken, county tax assessor and collector.

There will be no change in farm and commercial license plates.

The new license plates are being manufactured by inmates of Texas Prison System, and will be delivered here in time to go on sale by Monday, February 1. - Jan. 15, 1965

Barking Dog Saves New Home Family From Possible Death

Fire badly damaged the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sallee and two daughters in New Home last week, destroyed furniture and clothing in a bedroom, damaged other furniture, and all of the house received smoke and water damage.

The children's dog awakened Mrs. Sallee about 2:00 a.m. Fire had broken out in the closet of the girls' room and they were successful in removing only a few clothes.

The Tahoka Fire Department extinguished the fire at the house which is the property of New Home Gin Co.

Mr. Sallee was away from home, having gone to Ladonia that morning to take Mrs. Sallee's little sister home. She had been with the family since the death of her mother last summer. - Feb. 5, 1965

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The NEW HOME New: by Karon Durham 924-7448

Class favorites were recently elected at New Home schools for the 1998-99 school year. They are: Seniors - Jami Burrow and Joey Garcia; Juniors -Danielle Flores and Vicente Fuentes; Sophomores - Rachel Alonzo and Jim Vineyard; Freshmen - Kaci Wied and Keaton Askew; 8th Grade - Stephanie Kieth and Brenon Gass; 7th Grade -Lauren Wied and Tanner Johnston; 6th Grade - Jacki Rodgers and Aaron Villerreal; 5th Grade - Laura Maeker and Ryan Wied; 4th Grade - Miranda Easterwood and Adam Fiscal; 3rd Grade -Kelsi Keith and Jorden Clem; 2nd Grade Mary Maeker and Jett Rodgers; 1st Grade - Shelly McCann and Kenneth Graves; and Kindergarten - Kari Maeker and Roel Cruz. ***

The junior class will be selling New Home t-shirts until Nov. 10. Prices range from \$13-\$15. Anyone wishing to purof chase a t-shirt should contact a member of the junior class. *** Or.

The junior class will, will hosting this year's Fall Festival which will be held Saturday, Nov. 14 from 6-8 p.m. in the school's activity gym. Admission is 50¢ person. The yearbook staff will host a raffle for a free yearbook and the junior class will raffle off New Home satin jackets. Other booths will be: Kindergarten - cake walk; 1st grade - fingernail painting; 3rd grade - coin drop booth; 7th grade - football tire; 10th grade - fortune telling and raffle; 12th grade - spooky haunted house; PTA - face painting booth and balloon selling clown; Red Ribbon -

color wheel and ball drop. ***

Red ribbon week is Nov. 9-13. There are a lot of prizes to be given out during the week and supplies for the contests may be picked up in Karon Durhams office. A new activity for the week will be the Red Ribbon Round Table. High school students are invited to meet from 7:30-8:00 a.m. in the elementary teacher's lounge each morning. A breakfast snack will be served and an activity will be held. Contests and activities will be held each

day during the week. For more information, contact Karon Durham at the elementary school.

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November 9-13 Breakfast Monday: Pancake Pups, Milk



BACK IN TIME - The New Home varsity cheerleaders held a special fifties pep rally on Friday, Oct 16 which featured special events and oldies music. Cheerleaders are (top) Lisa Vineyard, Tiffany Nettles, Heather Kieth; (middle) J'Lynn Clem, Cassidi Lisemby and Angela Holler; and (front) Brooke Fillingim.

Producers Reminded **To Sign-Up For CRP**

On Thursday of last week, Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman reprogram and the EBI has been slightly minded landowners to consider putmodified to better protect natural resources," Glickman said. "Applicants ting their land in the Conservation should consult with USDA experts Reserve Program (CRP) during the locally on how to maximize EBI 18th sign-up period. For the next points, and increase the likelihood seven weeks, landowners may apply to enroll environmentally sensitive that their acreage will be accepted." land in the program. The sign-up period closes Friday, Dec. 11.

"I encourage all producers and landowners to consider enrolling their eligible environmentally-sensitive land in this program," said Glickman. "They should get all the facts about how the CRP can be applied across their entire landscape."

The CRP is a voluntary program.

Short Game Takes Long Time, But **Leopards Win 18-0**

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It took New Home and Loop two days last weekend to play half a football game, but when the game was ruled completed with just over a minute left in the first half. New Home was the winner, 18-0.

For the Leopards, Vicente Fuentes had 94 yards rushing in just 5 carries, and scored one touchdown.

The game started as scheduled Friday night, but was suspended by lightning, and continued Saturday. On Saturday, the weather again was a problem and because of the danger, the game was declared over just before halftime.



JV Football by Casey Jones

"The Bulldog Bowl," turned out to be a close ballgame, but the score ended tied 14-14 against the Coahoma Bulldogs last week.

The tie assures the junior varsity of a winning season with a 5-3-1 record with only one more game left to play. The season finale for the JV will be at Stanton tonight at 6 p.m

Running back Jeff Elmore chipped in with both Bulldog touchdowns for the game. Teammate Randy White converted on one 2-point conversion.

The defense stepped it up at the end with two defensive goal-line stands in the last two minutes. Michael DeLeon blocked a possibly game winning field goal for Coahoma as time ran out.

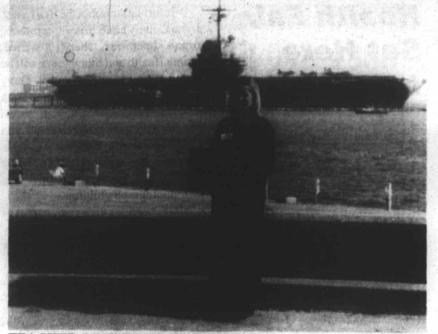
8th Grade Football by Fernando Castro

The eighth grade Bulldogs lost Thursday to the Coahoma Bulldogs 8-30 making their record 3-5 and 1-3 in district. The Bulldogs will play their last game here against the Stanton Buffaloes. Tim Hutton, Ben Stroope and B.J.

Andrews all rushed for the Bulldogs but gained no touchdowns. Hutton led the pack with 99 yards.

Andrews on the other hand, completed 7 out of 14 passes and met Adrian Moore n the end zone for the only touchdown of the game. Brandon McCord

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TEACHER OF THE YEAR - Jana Nafzger, shown with her plaque in front of the USS Lexington at Corpus Christi, was named 1998 State Conservation Teacher of the Year at the 58th annual meeting of the Texas Soil and Water Conservation District Directors meeting, held at Corpus Christi. She was nominated by the Lynn County SWCD, winning the county and area competition to advance to the state level. She is a fourth grade teacher at Tahoka Elementary School.

Jana Nafzger Is State SWCD **1998 Teacher Of The Year**

During the 58th annual meeting of the Texas Soil and Water Conservation District Directors in Corpus Christi, Jana Nafzger of Tahoka was honored as the 1998 State Conservation Teacher Award Winner.

"I'd like to thank the soil and water conservation district for presenting me with this award," said Mrs. Nafzger. "Conservation education in our public schools is critical."

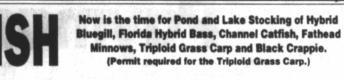
Mrs. Nafzger, who teaches fourth grade at Tahoka Elementary School, was honored for being an exemplary model of a conservation teacher through her outstanding commitment to education, the environment and her students.

County SWCD secretary, Helen Saldana, Mrs. Nafzger strives to familiarize her students with conservation issues in their West Texas area. Throughout the year, she takes students on field trips, and studies conservation techniques and practices such as windstrips, windbreaks, terraces, and mulching.

"I plan to continue my efforts and activities in helping educate students on conservation techniques and practices," added Mrs. Nafzger.

Mrs. Nafzger also has been instrumental in Tahoka Elementary's involvement in the district's annual poster and essay contest, an Earth Day T-shirt contest and an Arbor

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TO THE CUSTOMERS OF THE TAHOKA PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM: MANDATORY HEALTH EFFECTS LANGUAGE FOR NITRATE

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) sets drinking water standards and has determined that nitrate poses an acute health concern at certain levels of exposure. Nitrate is used in fertilizer and is found in sewage and wastes from human and/or farm animals and generally gets into drinking water from those activities. Excessive levels of nitrate in drinking water have caused serious illness and sometimes death in infants under six months of age. The serious illness in infants is caused because nitrate is converted to nitrite in the body. Nitrite interferes with the oxygen carrying capacity of the child's blood. This is an acute disease in that symptoms can develop rapidly in infants. In most cases, health deteriorates over a period of days. Symptoms include shortness of breath and blueness of the skin. Clearly, expert medical advice should be sought immediately if these symptoms occur. The purpose of this notice is to encourage parents and other responsible parties to provide infants with an alternate source of drinking water.

Local and State health authorities are the best source for information concerning alternate sources of drinking water for infants. TNRCC has set the drinking water standard at 10 parts per million (ppm) for nitrate to protect against the risk of these adverse effects. TNRCC has also set a drinking

; water standard for nitrite at 1 ppm. To allow for the fact that the toxicity of nitrate and nitrite are additive, TNRCC has also established a standard for the sum of nitrate and nitrite at 10 ppm.

Drinking water that meets the TNRCC standard is associated with little to none of this risk and is considered safe with respect to nitrate. 45-1tc

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The CRP is administered by the

water conservation districts. Contact local FSA and NRCS offices for more information. They are listed in telephone books under "United States Government, U.S. Department of Agriculture", or try the CRP web page at http:// www.fsa.usda.gov/dafp/cepd/ crpinfo.htm

New At The Library Don't Tell Dad - A Memoir by Peter Fonda

Everyone knows Peter Fonda as the star of Easy Rider, the quintessential '60s film he co-wrote and starred in. Now the public is treated to the real Peter Fonda - the man behind the legend who has never before been revealed. He spares no details about his cold and distant father (who was consumed by his career and many marriages), his mother's suicide (which his family tried to hide), and their effects on him and his sisters. He provides many anecdotes about growing up with Jane, their coming of age exploits, and the many ups and downs of their life with their father

Fonda also includes vivid tales of his own escapades - riding motorcycles with Marlon Brando in Rome, stories about his step-grandfather Oscar Hammerstein, hanging out with Salvador Dali, taking acid with the Beatles, and his first introduction to pot. He describes the darker times as well: his doomed first marriage, the suicide of two friends, and

Peter Fonda's memoir is as much a poignant personal story as it is the story of one of the greatest Hollywood families - one in caught a pass for the two-point conversion

Coach Rusty Frazier said McCord, Moore, and Bryan Valdez were defensive standouts

"We played better than the score shows. We had four opportunities to score in the 'red zone' and just couldn't capitalize," said Coach Frazier.

7th Grade Football by Brad Pebsworth

The Dawgs struggled against the Coahoma Bulldogs, 14-24. The Bulldogs record ended 2-6.

The Dogs were led by tailback Zach Collins who had 180 yards on 20 carries. Landon Bartley caught a pass from Michael Nance for eight yards. Defensive standouts were Collins,

Nieves Cantu and J.C. Garza.

"The seventh graders are getting better every game. We still need to improve our turnover ratio and our tackling. Things could be promising next year,' said Coach Rusty Frazier.

Varsity Volleyball by Courtney Stennett

The varsity volleyball team participated in a practice game to get them ready for bi-district. They played Denver City Oct. 31 and lost 4-15, 7-15. (See related story this issue.)

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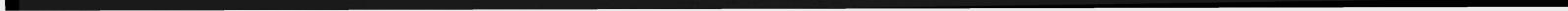
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Health Fair Set Here Nov. 19

A county-wide Health Fair, sponsored by Lynn County Hospital, will be held Thursday, Nov. 19, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. in the Tahoka Elementary gym. The free event is open to all area children and adults, with health officials providing blood pressure checks, glaucoma checks, and a free glucose test.

Information about the Red Cross, Lynn County EMS, fire departments, organ donations, sheriff's office, Home Health and much more will be provided in the all-day event. Davy Cricket, mascot for the Lubbock Crickets baseball team, will be on hand to visit with children, and Lynn County Sheriff's Office representatives will fingerprint children, while Wilson State Bank representatives will photograph children.

Children are also encouraged to bring their teddy bears to the Teddy Bear Clinic for a face-lift or other minor repairs.

For more information, contact Carol Botkin at Lynn County Hospital, 998-4533.

Bake Sale Here Slated For Nov. 11

A bake sale will be held at Thriftway next Wednesday, Nov. 11 beginning at 8 a.m. All proceeds from the sale will benefit Tahoka Care Center.

Anyone wishing to donate baked goods may call 998-5018 to have an item picked up.



AG SHOP - Denny Belew (second from left) has taught Ag classes at Tahoka High School for 15 years, and is shown here with his Plant and Animal Sciences class. Ag classes have changed over the years, offering studies (LCN PHOTO) in everything from horticulture, food, technology, animal science, and more.





WELDING PROJECT - One of the hands-on techniques Tahoka I.S.D. ag students learn from teacher Denny Belew is how to properly use welding tools. Students here are working on a "pig barber table" which students are building and video-taping to show the step-by-step process. Ag instructors from as far away as Illinois, Colorado and Missouri are interested in the video to instruct their students in how to build the unique trimming table, says Belew. (LCN PHOTO)

Tahoka High School Ag Program Not 'Just For Farmers' Anymore

by Greg Pierson

Texas Tech Journalism Student Agriculture and FFA has changed, making giant steps toward the modern world for Tahoka High School students. In the past several years, ag programs have diversified into many areas.

Tahoka High School has had an agriculture program since it first opened its doors many years ago. For years it was mostly farm children who wanted to show animals and possibly learn a little more about general agriculture who signed up for the program. In the past,

general agriculture classes --- such as Ag I, II, III and IV - were offered at the school. Today, this gen-

eral class format has expanded to very spethe offices all the way up to the national level," the teacher added.

He says there are many girls in Tahoka High School's ag programs. He teaches five different classes during seven periods a day at the school, and in one class the girls outnumber the boys. The program is growing, with a total of 88 students involved this year, compared to 79 last year.

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program here. Belew says a serious change in the program from the past is the difference in student backgrounds.

"Most of the kids in the program" are from the city now, and urban in orientation, even if their family farms for a living," Belew said.

In the past, most students in agriculture and FFA had farm backgrounds, taking classes that would help them return home and help their families make a living.

"Now kids can learn things about agriculture in high school that they did not teach us until

college," he says. Things are changing rapidly with the times and Belew says FFA is trying to keep up so the students will have an advantage

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cialized studies and a diverse schedule of classes. Classes now offer everything from

horticulture, to food, to technology, as well as the plant and animal sciences, according to Denny Belew, ag teacher at Taboka High School. His office, ag classroom, and class workshop are housed in the new ag building which opened last year on the high school campus.

"If there is someone that can teach floral design they would offer it in high schools with agriculture programs," he says, noting that with the addition of computers and the world of information available on the Internet, the possibilities are limitless

Belew has been teaching agriculture and helping at stock shows and every other aspect of the program for 28 years, the last 15 of which have been at Tahoka I.S.D. He came to Tahoka from Anton, where he taught ag for 8 years, and he began his teaching career at Frenship, where he taught 5 years in the ag program. A big part of the agriculture pro-

gram has always been the Future Farmers of America (FFA) organization. A major change was made in 1967 when the national FFA organization decided to allow girls into the organization.

"At first, girls had a hard time fitting in with the boys who were already leading the organization," Belew said, but he noted that it didn't take long before the girls had the officer positions locked up. "The girls normally take a good percentage of

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"We've found it to be a great help, and you wouldn't believe the people who have requested blueprints to build one just like it," Belew said. "Well, we drew the blueprints on the floor and built it, and now that's gone, and we've tried several times to come up with another set of blueprints but it never turns out like the first one," he said with a grin. "So now, we're doing a video that shows a step-by-step process of building one, and we hope to have it finished by Christmas."

He says he already has interest from ag teachers in other states, including Illinois, Colorado and Missouri, to send the video so that their students can do a similar project. And, he says, there's no telling how many others have borrowed the pig table to look at, built one just like it, and then returned the original to

But show pigs, and pig barber tables, are just one aspect of the ag

who spend most of their time in a classroom type situation. Juniors and seniors typically have more handson work, Belew said. Right now, the upper classmen are beginning to work on a video project detailing the building of what Belew laughingly calls a "pig barber table" — a trimming table for show pigs which he says he designed for people like himself who are "getting older and find it harder to get on our knees."

Tahoka.

He has two classes of freshmen,

high school. Still, though, almost everyone in the ag

program enjoys competing in judging exhibitions and stock shows. These are the things that the students really get involved in, the teacher says

"FFA has improved my social skills and brightened my high school experience," says Brooke Tekell, a THS student.

D.J. Sims, another student of Belew's, says, "FFA has helped me be successful in my high school career."

Because of state laws that require students to maintain passing , grades in all classes before participating in stock shows and judging contests, students say they are more apt to keep their grades up.

FFA may also be financially helpful to ag students who do well in school. FFA has thousands of scholarships that are awarded to deserving 12 students each year. With the rising costs of college, these scholarships offer students the opportunity to continue with higher education.

FFA, and other ag programs, aren't just for farmers anymore. They are programs which offer diverse studies in a wide variety of topics. And at Tahoka I.S.D., 28-year teaching veteran Denny Belew says he is still learning new ways to teach, and to work with students.

"I'm not ready to hang it up yet." I like the kids, and enjoy what I do," he said.

Volunteers Needed **To Referee Here**

Volunteers are being sought to help with refereeing middle school, freshmen, and junior varsity basketball games in Tahoka this basketball season. Anyone interested in helping should contact Tahoka I.S.D. Athletic Director Troy Hinds immediately at the high school, phone 998-4538.

"We are in desperate need of some help with refereeing these games," Hinds says. He also said that the elementary gym would also be used for some games in order to save time and forego some of the late nights caused by playing all the games in the high school gym.

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