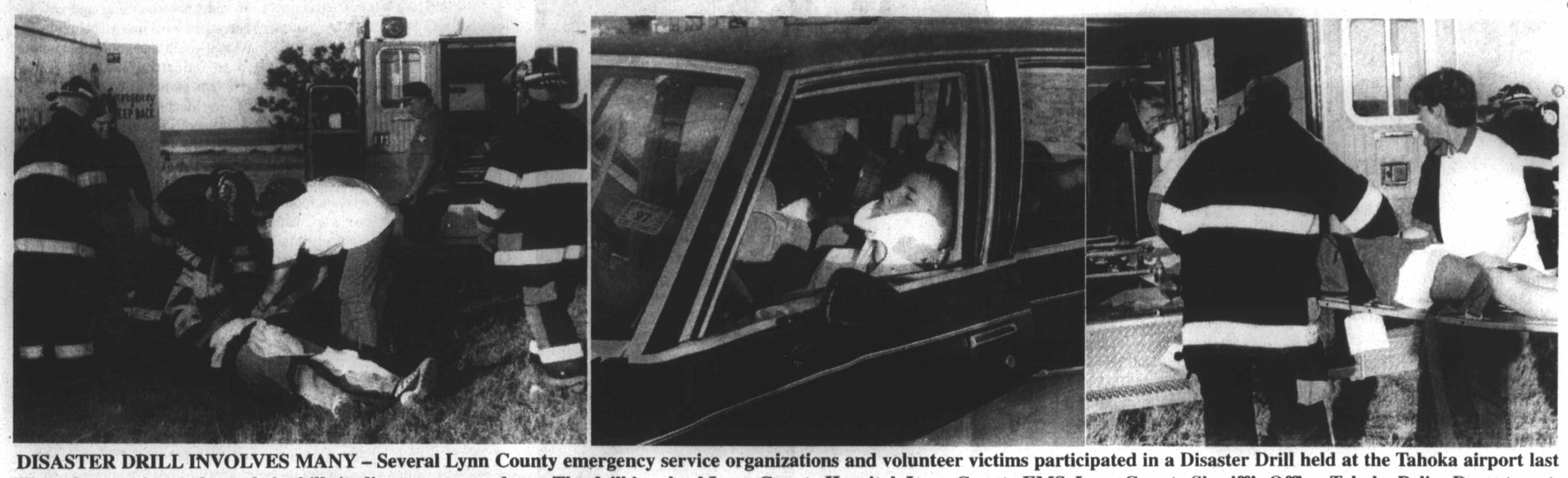

DISASTER DRILL INVOLVES MANY – Several Lynn County emergency service organizations and volunteer victims participated in a Disaster Drill held at the Tahoka airport last Thursday evening, to hone their skills in disaster preparedness. The drill involved Lynn County Hospital, Lynn County EMS, Lynn County Sheriff's Office, Tahoka Police Department, and the Tahoka Volunteer Fire Department. The drill was a simulated mass casualty vehicle accident scene. (LCN PHOTOS)

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County Youth Participate In State 4-H Round Up

More than 2,000 4-H members and 1,500 volunteers participated in the 53rd annual State 4-H Round Up held at Texas A&M University in College Station June 7-11, including several members from the Lynn County 4-H chapter.

Shiloh Braddock and Sarah Griffing received third place trophies for their presentation on fire ants.

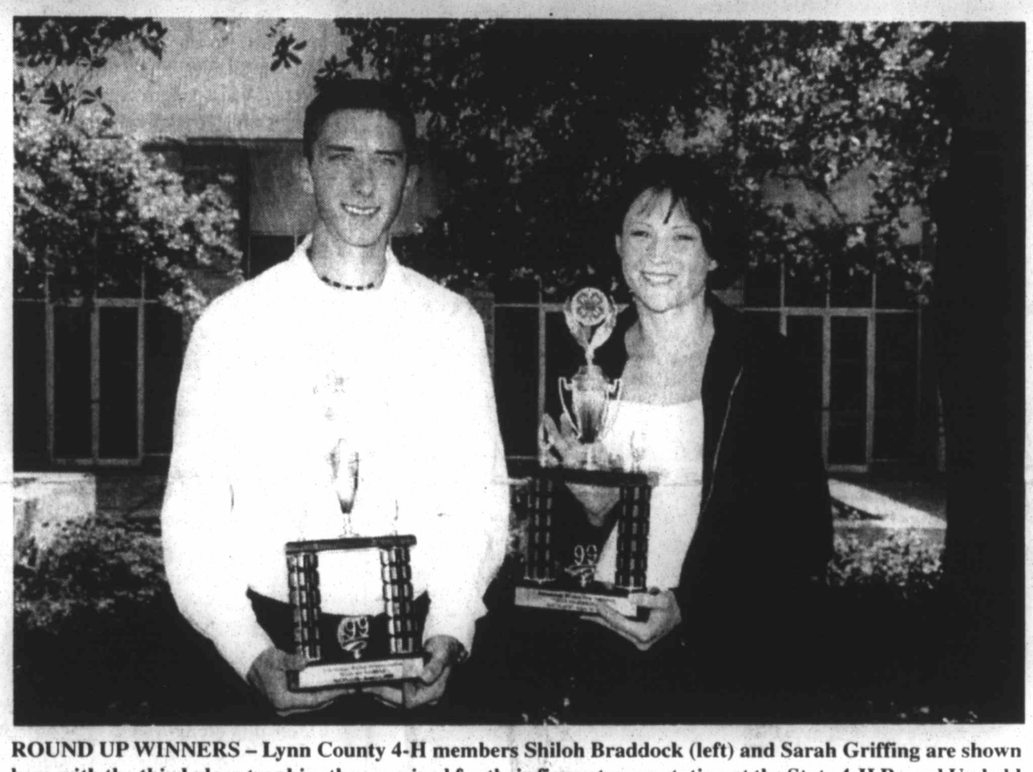
Other participants included Kimberly Compton, Amber Fields and D'Andra Wilke, Wool Judging; Klyssa Kelln and Kassidi Andrews, Consumer Life Skills; Casey Donald and Kendall Barnett, Landscape and Production Horticulture; and Riley Barnett and Jeff Compton, Farm and Ranch Economics.

Also attending the Round Up were adult leaders Billy and Ann Davis and Sheri Gicklhorn; and county agents Doris Collins and Bryan Reynolds.

Also recognized at the competition were 148 4-H members awarded approximately $985,000 worth of college scholarships.

Members who participated in the Round Up also collected and donated linen items to support the Texas 4-H Center in Brownwood and tooth brushes and dental floss for the Mayan Indians in Mexico.

There are currently over 811,000 4-H members in Texas. The program began in 1908 with the found of the Boys Corn Club. In 1912 the Girls Tomato Club was formed. The two groups were later combined into the 4-H organization.



ROUND UP WINNERS – Lynn County 4-H members Shiloh Braddock (left) and Sarah Griffing are shown here with the third place trophies they received for their fire ant presentation at the State 4-H Round Up held June 7-11 at Texas A&M University.

WOODWORK by Dalton

SOME TIME BACK I posed the question of where the highway department could possibly store all its yellow/orange barrels if they suddenly finished up a bunch of road projects at one time and had no place to move them. I think I even suggested a building the size of the Pentagon would hardly be large enough to handle just the Texas Hwy. Dept.'s barrels.

Actually, storing barrels in the Pentagon probably would be a better use for the building than what we are using it for, but some might disagree.

Anyway, Texas is not alone in its many road projects. Wherever you go, road construction awaits. And to the driver of the car trying to get from one place to another, what the highway construction people are doing often seems illogical, if not downright dumb.

A highway project which has been going on Ruidoso, NM for at least a year or more is a good example. There's road work all over town, but Hwy. 48 going north out of town, towards Alto, is solid orange barrels for about six miles. It's very narrow two-lane and very dangerous, plus it probably has just about put some retail firms along the route out of business.

Why in the world road construction planners don't just fix a road about a mile at a time and then move on to the next mile is beyond me. Instead, they louse up traffic with their barrels and barricades for 5 or 10 miles and work on each section about an hour a week. Recently we were up in Ruidoso for four days and on most parts of the Orange Barrel Highway we never saw anyone working.

The orange barrels are strung out along most of Sudderth St., down as far as Ruidoso Downs. And a cutting horse would be better for dodging through the barricades than a two-ton van.

Ruidoso is a fun place to visit. It could be "funner," though.

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KNOTHOLES in the Woodwork: Our electric bills for this month included a charge (mine was $4.65) for "service availability." Maybe it was there for previous months, but I just now noticed it. We need electricity, but charging $4.65 a month just for being there is a bit much. . .Lynn County Sheriff's officers were attending a school in Tahoka Wednesday on arrest, search and seizure. The class was taught by Johnny Cochran. Just kidding, but whoever taught it should tell the officers, "Don't arrest and search any visiting coaches who haven't been positively identified as criminals. If you do, your boss may be the one having the seizure."

Thornberry To Hold Retirement Security Town Meeting In Tahoka This Saturday

U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry (TX-13) will host a town hall meeting on retirement security this Saturday at 9:30 a.m. at the Center for Housing and Community Development in Tahoka. The Center is located at 1400 Ave K.

The forum, which is one of several being held in cities and towns throughout the 13th Congressional District, are intended to give area residents a say in the national debate over Social Security and how we go about strengthening the system.

"There are a lot of plans being talked about in Washington as to how we go about strengthening Social Security and ensuring the retirement security of each and every American," Thornberry stated. "I think it's important to hear what people in our area have to say as well, which is one of the reasons I'll be hosting these town hall meetings in the coming months."

As he has done in each of his first two terms in office, Thornberry plans to hold town meetings in each of the 38 counties he represents. During his first two terms, Thornberry held a total of 95 town meetings.

"I think most people want to have a say in the national policy debate," Thornberry stated. "But I also think they want to know their voice is being heard. Listening is a very important part of my job, and the more I know about what people are thinking about retirement security and the other issues we face as a country, the better I'll be able to represent their views in Congress."

Thornberry added that area residents who would like more information about Saturday's retirement security town hall meeting are encouraged to call his office at (806) 371-8844.

Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
June 16	82	59	
June 17	76	55	
June 18	84	55	
June 19	85	62	
June 20	83	63	
June 21	79	64	0.01"
June 22	83	63	1.45"

Total Precip. for June: 5.2"
Total Precip. year to date: 12.88"
Total Precip. this time last year: 5.09"

Two Traffic Accidents Investigated

Tahoka Police Dept. investigated two traffic accidents during the last week.

On Thursday in the 1600- block of Conway St. a 1994 Buick LeSabre driven by Ruth Nelson Williams, 62, of Tahoka was involved in a collision with a 1989 Ford Aerostar driven by Bennie Moore Nance, 59, also of Tahoka. There were no injuries.

In the 2100-block of N. 8th St. Saturday a 1987 Nissan Stanza driven by Doneta A. Newton, 31, of Tahoka collided with a parked 1984 Chevrolet Camaro owned by Sylvia Rodriguez of Tahoka. No injuries were reported.

Seven juveniles were issued citations for violations of city curfew during the week.

A girl's bicycle, a 24-inch Huffy, was reported stolen from the residence of David Graves on S. 5th St. Friday or Saturday. It was valued at $107.

Police were summoned three different times to a location on the southeast side of town where a band was practicing at a volume not pleasing to neighbors. The officer's report noted on one occasion that the band could be heard on Lockwood, five blocks away.

Eight persons were added to the Lynn County jail's prisoner list during the last week, with three of these arrested for public intoxication.

Others were arrested on charges of driving while license suspended, driving while intoxicated first offense, felony DWI and two warrants on traffic violations.

McNeely, Griffing Qualify For State Horse Show

Four Lynn County 4-H members recently competed at the South Plains District 4-H Horse Show in Lubbock with two riders qualifying for state competition to be held in Abilene later this summer. Members from the 20-county area surrounding Lubbock competed for a chance to qualify for the state show.

Courtney McNeely placed first in Western Riding and Sarah Griffing took home second place in both Pole Bending and the Stakes Race. The girls will now compete in these events at the state level.

Others competing at the district show were Wacie Barnett, who took home ninth place in Pole Bending and tenth place in Stakes Race; and Riley Barnett, who was tenth in Pole Bending.

Moss, McKay Earn Excellent Ratings In State Competition

Tahoka High School band members James Moss and Callie McKay walked away from the Texas State Solo and Ensemble Contest in San Marcos last month with an "Excellent" rating. To qualify for the state contest, both musicians earned a first division at the region contest held in February.

According to band director Carroll Rhodes, "Callie and James both played very well at state and have represented Tahoka High School very well this year in their competitions." He added, "The coming school year and contests should be a banner year for the bands and these students."

Two Teachers Hired At TISD

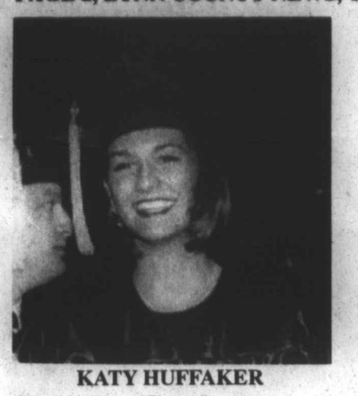
Two elementary teachers were hired for the 1999-2000 school year at the Tahoka Independent School District Board of Trustees meeting on June 10. Miranda Stice of Tahoka will teach third grade at Tahoka Elementary, and Leslie Tatum of Post will teach fifth grade. She is the wife of Tim Tatum, who is currently a sixth grade teacher at Tahoka Elementary.

Both were offered one-year professional probationary contracts, approved unanimously by the board.

New Home Firemen To Host BBQ July 3

The New Home Volunteer Fire Department will host a BBQ dinner at 6:30 p.m., Saturday, July 3 at the Old New Home Co-Op Gin. Admission is $5 for adults and $3 for children.

The event will feature an auction, and a rifle raffle. Participants are encouraged to bring their own fireworks.



KATY HUFFAKER

Huffaker Graduates From WTAMU

Degrees were officially conferred on 487 West Texas A&M University graduates at commencement ceremonies in Canyon on May 15.

Katy J. Huffaker of Tahoka received a Bachelor of Business Administration in Marketing.

She was also one of 815 students named to the Dean's List for the 1999 spring semester. To be named to the Dean's List, students must achieve a grade point average of between 3.25 and 3.85 with a minimum of 12 undergraduate hours.

Ms. Huffaker is the daughter of Mike and Beth Huffaker of Tahoka.

Open Scramble Set At T-Bar

A three person open scramble will be held at T-Bar Country Club in Tahoka on Saturday and Sunday, June 26-27. Tee times are 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Entry fee will be $50 per person. Carts are available for rent at $12.50 per person.

To enter, contact T-Bar Country Club at 998-5305.

Area Students Named To Tech Honor's List

More than 3,700 Texas Tech University students qualified for academic honors lists at the end of the spring semester, including seven students from Lynn County.

Named to the President's List was Cindi Lou Burrow, a General Business major from New Home. Students on the President's List must earn a 4.0 grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours of class work.

To be named to the Dean's List, a student must earn a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.9 while enrolled in at least 12 semester hours of classwork.

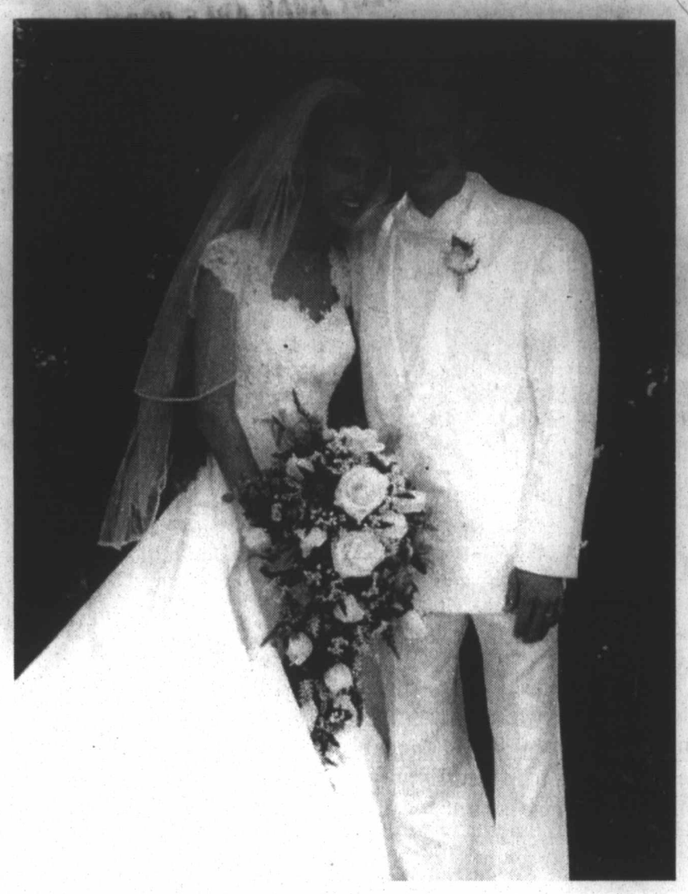
Named to the Dean's List for the spring semester were: Kary Durham Laws of New Home and Tahoka students Sheila Eudy, Brent Raindl, Lynna Rash, Brandon Michael Sarchet, and Debra Ann Timmons.

Stennett, Stice Graduate From Texas Tech University

Two students from Tahoka were among the 1,400 students at Texas Tech University that received degrees during the 1999 commencement exercises.

Stephanie Carol Stennett received a Bachelor of Science degree in Multidisciplinary Science. She is the daughter of Gary and Betty Stennett of Tahoka.

Miranda Renee Martin Stice received a Bachelor of Science degree in Early Childhood. She is married to J.P. Stice of Tahoka.



MR. AND MRS. DOUGLAS WAYNE AUSBERN

Couple Exchanges Vows in Indiana

Audria Michelle Nation of Spencer, Indiana and Douglas Wayne Ausbern of Tahoka exchanged vows at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 5, 1999 in the Church of the Firstborn in Morgantown, Indiana. Gary Evans of Newcastle, Oklahoma officiated the double ring ceremony.

Parents of the bride are Richard and Linda Nation of Spencer, Indiana. The groom's parents are Tim and Tresia DeVine of Tahoka.

The church was decorated with spring flowers on an archway and a unity candle stood in front of the archway.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a white, A-line gown with cap sleeves. She wore a double layered, waist-length veil with pearl edging and carried a cascading bouquet of white silk roses and orchid sprigs, accented with orchid ribbon.

Stacy Davis of Bloomington, Indiana was Matron of Honor. Bridesmaid was Megan Nation of Riverside New Jersey, cousin of the bride. They wore floor-length orchid dresses, with a sleeveless satin bodice and a crepe bottom.

Ricky Hall of Tahoka, brother-in-law of the groom, served as Best Man. Groomsman was Casey Hall of Tahoka.

Nathanael Nation of Spencer,Indiana, brother of the bride, was usher.

Bailey Hall, the groom's niece, registered guests.

Flower girl was Kaiya Parker of Ellettsville, Indiana. She wore a floor-length sleeveless dress of orchid crepe with white lace overlay trimmed in orchid satin.

Nephew of the groom, Ridge Hall of Tahoka, served as ring bearer.

Musical selections included "Butterfly Kisses" and "From This Moment" sung by Charmin Griffin and Nathanael Nation.

Following the reception, a reception was held at the church.

The bride's cake was shaped like a gazebo filled with flowers. Serving at the bride's table were Amber Parker and Rachel Hovions.

Kathy Parker and Teresa Hovions served at the buffet table.

Eric Nation, brother of the bride, and Lacey DeVine, sister of the groom, handed out birdseed.

After a wedding trip to St. Louis, Missouri, the couple will live in Tahoka.

The groom, a graduate of Tahoka High School and South Plains College is employed by L&R Construction of Tahoka.

The bride attended Owen Valley High School, in Spencer, Indiana.

Jewell McMillan Celebrates Birthday

More than 100 friends and relatives gathered Saturday, June 19 at the O'Donnell Community Center to celebrate Jewell McMillan's 90th birthday. The party was hosted by her granddaughters, Vicki Wheeler of Ulysses, Kansas; Suzanne Over Holt and Debra Cortez of Grand Junction, Colo.; and Terry Stahl of Snyder.

Mrs. McMillan was born June 21, 1909 in Aspermont. She owned and operated Jewell's Cafe for many years before opening a beauty shop with her daughter-in-law Doris McMillan. She retired in 1978 and moved to Tahoka in 1980.

Special guests included Mrs. McMillan's daughter, Doris Cross of Grand Junction, Colo., four grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, and six great-great-grandchildren.

"Bedouins" are so called from the Arabic word *badw*, meaning "a desert".

Sunshine Au Naturel Opens Retail Outlet In O'Donnell

Sunshine Au Naturel, a business located in O'Donnell, is opening a retail outlet where it manufactures organic cotton products.

The retail outlet grand opening will be Friday, June 25 from 4-6 p.m. Area residents are invited to participate in this reception and community potluck by bringing a dish and taking an opportunity to look over the organic cotton products, including organic cotton bath towels and bath robes. Sunshine Au Naturel Retail Outlet is located at 811 Doak Street.

Co-founder Bryant Rayngay says, "It's a wonderful opportunity for us to show our work locally and for the community to be part of our business growing process."

Sunshine Au Naturel was incorporated in February of this year after a two-month feasibility study to establish the foundation of a vertical operation, which entails spinning, weaving, washing, sewing, and distribution of organic cotton products.

The first step for Sunshine Au Naturel was to set up washing and sewing operations immediately. Because the town of O'Donnell did not have any existing building to house an industrial washing and sewing operation, Sunshine Au Naturel used what it could that could come close to an industrial set up. Tommy Woolam, owner of Woolam Gin and Quality Machinery of O'Donnell and an investor in Sunshine Au Naturel, offered the use of his laundromat for the washing operation and the backroom of the laundromat to set up the sewing operation.

The demand for organic cotton products has been increasing yearly in markets hungry for environmentally-conscious products, according to *In Business* magazine. Rayngay says, "The organic bath market does not exist because there are no manufacturers in the world offering organic bath products. Sunshine Au Naturel has the opportunity to develop the organic bath market at a time when consumers are demanding such products. This presents a golden business opportunity for us and the community of O'Donnell."

The retail outlet concept came about after numerous O'Donnell residents were curious about the newly formed company and wanted to purchase its products.

Senior Citizens MENU

June 28-July.2

Monday: Lasagne, Baby Limas, Yellow Squash, Coleslaw, Wheat Roll, Lemon Pudding.

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

Wednesday: BBQ Sausage, Baked/ Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli, Cheese Sauce, Wheat Roll, Pears.

Thursday: Roast Pork, New Potatoes w/Sauce, Broccoli, Celery Sticks, Wheat Roll, Cake.

Friday: Chicken Ala King, Broccoli, Wheat Roll, Strawberry Shortcake.

Volleyball Clinic Set Next Week

The Lubbock J.O. Volleyball Club will be sponsoring a private volleyball clinic for Tahoka High School players in grades 9-12 at the Nautilus in Lubbock, June 27-30. Hours are 4-6 p.m. Sunday, and 2-4 p.m. Monday through Wednesday.

Cost will be $15 per athlete. An optional setter's clinic will be an additional $5.

The clinic will cover passing, setting, serving, ball control, hitting and scrimmages.

Athletes wishing to participate in the clinic must pre-register with Amy White at 998-4036 or Karen Huffaker at 998-4302. Deadline for sign-ups is this Friday, June 26.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Landreth
and
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tipton
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their children
Kimberly Dawn
and
Michael Charles
on Saturday, the twenty-sixth of June
at four o'clock in the afternoon
Sandia Baptist Church
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with a reception

Sunday, June 27, 1999

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Housing Authority Center

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No gifts please, Your presence will be honor enough.

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MRS. CHRIS CARTER (nee BETTY MANN)

Betty Mann, Chris Carter United In Marriage June 12

Betty Mann of Lubbock and Chris Carter of Tahoka were united in marriage at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 12, 1999 in the First United Methodist Church of Tahoka. Rev. Marvin Gregory, pastor of the church, officiated the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Darryl Mann of Lubbock. The groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Carter of Tahoka.

White tulle draped the pews and was attached with white bows with peach accents. The altar was decorated with two floral arrangements made with peach roses and white dogwoods, and a brass bell-shaped candelabra.

The bride, escorted by her father, wore a white drop-waisted dress with box pleats and a form-fitted bodice with a scooped neck and cap sleeves. The bodice was hand beaded by the mother of the bride.

The bride wore a ring-shaped beaded headdress with a detachable veil. Her bouquet was made of peach roses and accented with English ivy strands and white flowers.

Ellie Mann of Lubbock served as her sister's Maid of Honor. Bridesmaids were Tiffany Myers of Austin, Laura Larson of Bartlett, Ill. and Shelly Bertrand, Elizabeth Wade, Hattie Heiner, and Jennifer White, all of Lubbock. They wore long, "thistle" colored, A-line dresses with short sleeves and scooped necks.

Ryan Burns of Plano served as Best Man. Groomsmen were Trey Nance of San Antonio, and Scott Kinghorn, Roger Aleman, Dale Benton, Jason Mann (brother of the bride), and Billy Wootan, all of Lubbock.

Ushers were Jeff Jennings of Medford, New Jersey, brother-in-law of the groom; Scott Carter of Lubbock, cousin of the groom; and Brad Emert of Lubbock.

Cousin of the bride, Kara Mathieu of Woodstock, Ill. was flower girl. She wore a white satin dress with chiffon overlay and ribbon trim.

Clay Jennings of Medford, New Jersey, served his uncle as ring bearer.

Byron Norwood of Tahoka sang "I Swear" and "The Lord's Prayer". The Ellsworth Quartet of Lubbock also performed.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at Caprock Winery in Lubbock.

After a honeymoon in Jamaica, the couple will live in Friendswood.

Draper Named To Wayland Dean's List

Susan Draper, a senior from Tahoka, was named to the Dean's List at Wayland Baptist University for the 1999 spring semester.

To qualify for the Dean's List, a student must maintain at least a 3.5 grade point average while taking a full load of course work at the university level.

Ms. Draper is the daughter of Milt and Dorothy Draper of Tahoka.

About 200,000 women a year in the nation are trying to adopt children.

OBITUARIES

W.E. Martin

Services for W.E. Martin, 90, of Brownfield were held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, June 23, at Brownfield Funeral Home Memorial Chapal with the Rev. Jerry Payne, pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial was in Terry County Memorial Cemetery.

He died Sunday, June 20, 1999, in Brownfield.

He was born Dec. 4, 1908, in Rains County. He moved with his parents to Snyder in 1919, and then to Brownfield in 1937. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II. He owned and operated Martin Laundromat from 1938 to 1965. He was employed with the City of Brownfield in the electrical department for a number of years.

He married Maymie Bevers on Dec. 18, 1927 in Slaton. She died May 5, 1970. He married Ruby Sanders on March 11, 1972, in Brownfield. He was a member of Immanuel Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife; three daughters, Virginia Goggans Hargrove of Lubbock, Christine Askew of Tahoka and Maureen Martin of Brownfield; three sisters, Edna Ballard of Clovis, N.M., Dorothy Martin of San Antonio, and Ella Faye Morgan of California; six grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

The family suggests memorials to a favorite charity.

Fleda Velma Howell

Graveside services for Fleda Velma Howell, 97, of Tahoka, will be held at 9 a.m. Thursday, June 24 (today) at Terrace Cemetery in Post. Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. the same day at First Baptist Church in Tahoka.

Arrangements are under the direction of White Funeral Home.

She died Tuesday, June 22, at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

She was born Sept. 14, 1901 in Forest Chapel. She moved to Lynn County in 1934 from Post. She attended Forest Chapel grade school and graduated from Dekalb High School. She received her teaching certificate from North Texas State College and her BS from Texas Tech. She married Lonnie D. Howell Dec. 22, 1927 near Slaton. He died Dec. 20, 1987.

She was a retired teacher having taught for 31 years in Lamar, Garza and Lynn Counties. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Tahoka and was the beginner superintendent, a junior teacher and a choir member. She was a member of the China Painting Guild.

Survivors include a son, James Duane Howell of Lubbock; a daughter, Velma Ruth Shambeck of Lubbock; a sister, Claudine Jeffries of Paris; five grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Goldie McNeely

Services for Goldie Fay McNeely, 87, of Tahoka, will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, June 24 (today) at First United Methodist Church in Tahoka with Rev. Marvin Gregory, pastor, officiating.

Burial will be in Tahoka Cemetery under direction of White Funeral Home.

She died Tuesday, June 22, 1999 at Lutheran Home of West Texas in Lubbock.

She was born Aug. 10, 1911 in Iowa Park. She attended Dixie School in Lynn County. She married Arlie McNeely on Aug. 25, 1928. He preceded her in death.

She was a member of the Tahoka Senior Citizens and the First United Methodist Church. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include three sons, Doug McNeely of Lake Worth, Gainerd McNeely of Brownfield, and Dwayne McNeely of Tahoka; a daughter, Carla Pickens of Mansfield; nine grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be W.H. McNeely, Jerry Wayne McNeely, Todd McNeely, Don Smith, Jerry Brown and Leland White.

The family suggests memorials be made to the American Cancer Society, c/o First National Bank of Tahoka, P.O. Box 1030, Tahoka 79373.

Weldon Hancock

Services for Weldon Hancock, 75, of O'Donnell were held at 2:30 p.m. Friday, June 18, in First United Methodist Church in O'Donnell with the Rev. Ken Peterson, pastor, officiating. Rev. Wes Brown, a minister from Lubbock, assisted.

Burial was in Gail Cemetery under direction of White Funeral Home.

He died Thursday, June 17, 1999, at his residence.

He was born May 24, 1924, in Borden County. He attended O'Donnell High School and Texas Technological College, where he was a member of the Wranglers.

He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He married Juanda Taylor on March 8, 1947. They moved to Borden County from Lubbock in 1947.

He farmed in Borden County for 52 years before retiring.

He was a member of the Borden County Livestock Association and a founder of the Borden County Booster Club. He served on the board of directors of the O'Donnell Co-Op Gin. He was a member of the Square and Round Travel Club of Lubbock, the Terry Twirlers and Merry Mixers of Lubbock.

He coached Little League, Babe Ruth and Pony League baseball for many years. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in O'Donnell.

Survivors include his wife; his parents, Homer and Hazel Hancock of Tahoka; two sons, Tommy of Westbrook and Joe Dan of Manhattan, Kan.; two daughters, Sandra Cunningham of Ranger and Sue Brown of Belton; a brother, Raymond Hancock of O'Donnell; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Nolan Jones, Shorty Farmer, Dan Turner, Herman Ledbetter, Johnny Stokes and Pad Hedrick.

The family suggest memorials to Hospice of Lubbock, 1102 Slide Road, Suite 3, 79416.

Mary Alice Teaff

Services for Mary Alice "Tot" Teaff, 77, of Post were held at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 19, in First Baptist Church in Post with the Rev. Syl Moore, a retired Baptist minister from Abernathy, officiating.

Burial was in Terrace Cemetery in Post.

She died Thursday, June 17, 1999, at her residence.

She was born Dec. 14, 1921, in Lynn County. She attended school at Grassland and graduated from Post High School. She married William Howard "Tuffy" Teaff on Aug. 8, 1942 at Close City. He died Feb. 25, 1980.

She worked for McCord Motor Company for 49 years before retiring in 1995. She was a member of Grassland Church of the Nazarene and John Miller VFW Post 6796 Ladies Auxiliary.

Survivors include her son, Howard L. Teaff of Lubbock; a brother, Glenn Norman of Post; a sister, Erlene Saage of Dallas; and numerous nieces and nephews.

William Parker Sr.

Services for William Parker Sr., 76, of O'Donnell were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 22, in the O'Donnell Church of Christ with Ken Wilde officiating.

Burial was in O'Donnell Cemetery under the direction of White Funeral Home.

He died Saturday, June 19, 1999, at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

He was born Jan. 8, 1923, in Borden County. He graduated from O'Donnell High School and served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

He married Cleo Cathey on Dec. 26, 1943. He was a lifelong resident of O'Donnell. He was an electrician and a member of the Big Spring VFW and the O'Donnell Church of Christ.

A son, Alan Parker, preceded him in death in 1981.

Survivors include three sons, Will of Lubbock, Terry of Lamesa and Wayne of Tahoka; three daughters, Linda Gleghorn of Lubbock, Brenda Isbell of Tahoka and Cindy Bearden of Welch; two brothers, L.D. Parker Jr. of O'Donnell and Price Parker of Midland; two sisters, Rita Turk of Midland and Martha Cannon of Hayden, Colo.; 23 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Big Spring VFW.

W.S. Snodgrass

Graveside services for W.S. Snodgrass, 75, of Lubbock were held at 11 a.m. Monday, June 21, in Green Memorial Park in Wilson with the Rev. Tim Winn officiating.

He died Friday, June 18, 1999, at Carousel Care Center.

He was born Feb. 10, 1924, in Roby. He graduated from Wilson High School and moved to Lubbock in 1947. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a mill worker and a Methodist.

Survivors include three sisters, Lillian Cummings of Harrison, Ark., Lois Nichols of Lubbock and Deloris Jean Watts of Coleman; five brothers, Hollis Snodgrass of Monahans, Frank Snodgrass and Gene Snodgrass, both of Lubbock, Homer Snodgrass of Las Cruces, N.M., and Irland McCormick of San Angelo.

Maria Esparaza

Mass for Maria Esparaza, 67, of O'Donnell was said Friday, June 19, at 2 p.m. at St. Pius X Catholic Church in O'Donnell with the Rev. Bert Mead officiating.

Burial was in O'Donnell Cemetery.

She died Tuesday, June 15, 1999 at her residence.

She was born July 24, 1931, in Waxahachie. She married Jesus Esparaza. He died in 1980. She lived in O'Donnell for 40 years after coming from San Antonio. She was a homemaker and a Catholic.

Survivors include three daughters, Guadalupe Esparaza, Rosa Linda Esparaza, and Eloisa Esparaza, all of O'Donnell; four sisters, Siria Vargas, Caroline Banavidez, and Linda Montes, all of O'Donnell and Senida Montes of Greenbay.

Velma Jewel Earley

Services for Velma Jewel Earley, 85, of Amarillo, were held at 11 a.m., Monday, June 21, in Resthaven's Abbey Chapel in Lubbock, with the Rev. Charles Jones, of Second Baptist Church in Amarillo, officiating.

Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Park.

She died Saturday, June 19, 1999 in St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo.

She was born Nov. 6, 1913 in Hill County. She married Calvin B. Earley on Nov. 9, 1929 in Tahoka. He died in 1996. She was also preceded in death by a son, Donald Wayne Early in 1963.

She had been a resident of Amarillo since 1996, moving from Lubbock. She resided in Levelland from 1977-1993. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Levelland and had been a Sunday school teacher.

Survivors include a son, Kenneth Earley of Amarillo; a daughter, Joyce Smith of Amarillo; three sisters, Stella Lightner of Pueblo, Colo., Leta Herron of Levelland, and Genevra Smith of Brownfield; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to a favorite charity.

Shop In Tahoka!

SUMMER FUN Photos Wanted

During the summer months, the Lynn County News is seeking photographs from our area readers depicting summer activities -- whether it's the kids running through the sprinkler, or your dog plopped down in the wading pool, or the whole family at some vacation fun spot -- we want your picture! Candid snapshots of summer fun are what we are looking for -- show us how your family is enjoying the summer months. (Please, only one photo per family.)

Just bring it by the News Office or mail it to P.O. Box 1170, Tahoka, TX 79373, and we'll run it (at no charge!) as space is available, under our "Summer Fun" heading. If you'll send a self-addressed stamped envelope we'll mail your photo back to you, or you may pick it up at the News Office after it appears in the paper.

Theft and vandalism of highway signs bring deadly consequences

BY PENNY MASON

This column is not for everyone. It's aimed at those people – adults or kids – who persist in stealing, destroying or defacing highway signs.

The people creating the problem don't seem to realize the serious consequences of sign destruction. Most people think it's just money.

Yes, indeed, vandalism costs money. Each year, road sign vandalism costs taxpayers millions of dollars. More specifically, it cost the Lubbock District (17 counties) more than $250,000.

But, for those who aren't motivated by money, there's a more serious cost involved. Lives – maybe your life or your parents or someone you love.

Or maybe you don't realize that you put people in danger when you move or destroy road signs?

In Florida, it cost the lives of three young people who didn't stop at an intersection because a stop sign had been removed.

And, what about the kids who took the stop sign? What price did they pay, besides living with the knowledge that these people were killed because of an act of negligence?

Just in case you didn't hear about it, the three offenders were convicted on three counts of manslaughter and one count of grand theft for their criminal act in February, 1996.

Still think it's cool to steal signs? Let me give you another example. In one Texas county, a group of boys – a gang to be exact – removed a stop sign from an intersection early one Sunday morning. The collision that morning killed five people.

Picture yourself on a remote rural road where there are no lights. The intersection is dark and some irresponsible person has removed the stop sign. It's a farm-to-market road so you can drive 70 mph. You whiz through the intersection, not realizing that you are supposed to yield to cross traffic.

The last thing you see is the headlights of an approaching car. It's over so quickly you didn't even have time to react. And, you didn't even know you did anything wrong.

Government agencies place road signs for a reason. The stop signs and yield signs bring order to what would otherwise be a chaotic transportation system. Consider how bad it would be without traffic signals and signs, especially in the larger cities.

Vandalism of traffic control devices is an intentional act, one that is performed with the intent to destroy, mutilate, or steal a particular device.

In fact, according to a recent Texas Transportation Institute study, 65 percent of TxDOT employees polled said that sign vandalism is a significant problem in their district.

Thirty-two percent of all vandalized signs are stop signs which people steal either for decoration or to recycle the aluminum material for profit. Forty-eight percent of sign vandalism occurs in remote locations.

If we are lucky, we catch the perpetrator. And, sometimes we are lucky.

One individual was required to pay $30,000 in restitution for sign vandalism.

There are three basic types of sign vandalism – destruction, defacement and theft. Firearms are the most common tool used to destroy a sign. Rocks or other heavy objects are used to bend or twist the signs so the information is obstructed. This type of damage also ruins the reflectivity of the sign, rendering it ineffective at night.

Signs are defaced through spray painting or modifying the sign message to read something different than intended.

Altering the message can confuse drivers and result in accidents.

Theft is the third type of vandalism, and the most critical. A missing sign – especially in a remote area – might not be noticed for several days. That increases the potential for serious or fatal accidents.

So, for those of you who think it's cool to steal road signs, just put yourself on that highway in the middle of the night. And, remember, the next fatality could be you!

Penny Mason is public information officer for the Texas Department of Transportation's Lubbock District.

Although Leonardo da Vinci (1452-1519) proposed the idea of a helicopter-type craft, and the Chinese built helicopter-like toys as early as the 4th century B.C., the first practical helicopter was not flown until 1936.

The hottest of all spices is believed to be habanero, belonging to the genus capsicum. A single dried gram will produce detectable "heat" in 440 lbs of bland sauce.

'Summer Fun'

Photos submitted by area readers depicting summer activities will be printed as space is available.

HURRICANE HARBOR ADVENTURE – Bailey and Ridge Hall of Tahoka are shown here taking a break at Hurricane Harbor in St. Louis. Summer Fun Photos will be printed as space allows (one picture per family please) throughout the summer months.

Clover Kids Camp Set For July 19-21

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service will be hosting a Clover Kids Summer Day Camp, Monday through Wednesday, July 10-21 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Life Enrichment Center in Tahoka.

The camp is open to children having completed kindergarten through second grade. Campers will enjoy cooking, sewing, and health and fitness fun.

Kids registered by June 30 will pay a $10 registration fee. The registration fee for children registering from July 1-12 will be $15. The fee covers supplies, lunch and a snack. Sibling discounts are available.

Call the Lynn County Extension Service at 998-4307 for a registration form or for more information.

CYO To Host Dance Fundraiser

The Catholic Youth Organization of Tahoka will host a fundraising dance this Saturday, June 26, from 8 p.m. to midnight at St. Jude's Hall, located at South 4th and Ave. M in Tahoka.

Admission to the dance is $3 per person. Refreshments will be sold.

Music will be by "Take Me Back Music", featuring deejay Edward Gomez. Musical selections will include Tejano, country, disco, rap and oldies.

No alcoholic beverages or smoking will be allowed on the premises.

The NEW HOME News

by Karon Durham
924-7448

Honor Rolls for the sixth Six Weeks are: **"A" Honor Roll** - Hanah Lamb-Vines, Shelly McCann, Chelsea Byerly, Stephanie Castro, Mary Maeker, April Torres, Jori Rodgers, Sarah Clem, Meghan O'Rourke, Matthew Hymes, Katie O'Rourke, Tyler McAllister, Rayanne Melot, Joe Melot, Lauren Wied, Jessica Holder, Stephanie Kieth, Keaton Askew, Kaci Wied, Shaun Wied, Mindy Dion, Cecilia Garza, Jim Vineyard, Jessica Brown, Danielle Flores, Tabitha Swartz, Joe Thaggard, Lexi Wied, Joshua Brown, Jami Burrow, Brooke Fillingim, Joey Garcia, and Lisa Vineyard. **"AB" Honor Roll** - Travis Bergin, Joshua Correa, Sterling Ford, Kenneth Graves, Joshua Hernandez, Rolando Mendoza, Kris Silva, Ethan Willis, Hector Fiscal, Tanner Foster, Nicholas Moore, Jett Rodgers, R.H. Whitten, Jorden Clem, Kelsi Kieth, Keely Nettles, Nicholas Ramirez, Damien Rodriguez, Sarah Ussery, Trevor White, Natalie Bruton, Adam Fiscal, Tyler Nieman, Blake Brown, Laura Maeker, Matt Miller, Maricela Rodriguez, Stefanie White, Ryan Wied, Eddie Alvarado, Evan Clem, Cody Keith, Karen Muniz, Krystal Muniz, Mandy Portales, Brandon Risley, Jacki Rodgers, Harvey Silva, Travis Thornhill, Terry Brand, Frederick Chesley, James Feaster, Thomas Foster, Desiree Garza, Brooke Kieth, Angelica Rodriguez, Mariella Ruiz, Joshua Schoppa, Kayla Durham, Lori Emerson, Joanna Garza, Justin Garza, Zachary Morris, Miranda Rodriguez, Heather Kieth, Michael Wied, Cliffton Bearden, Larry Brand, Courtney McNeely, Lindsey Thornhill, Joshua Garza, J'Lynn Clem, Stephen Fillingim, Joshua Gandy, Angela Holler, Maria Lopez, Steve Ramirez, Misty Swartz, and Jeffrey Tumlinson.

Booster Club Golf Tournament Set For July 17

The Tahoka Bulldog Booster Club will host a four person open scramble on Saturday, July 17 at the T-Bar Country Club in Tahoka.

Entry fee is $50 per person, mulligans are $5 per person and cart rental will be $10 per person.

For more information, contact T-Bar Country Club at 998-5305.

Krey Named To Baylor Dean's List

For the 1999 spring session at Baylor University in Waco, 1,696 students were named to the Dean's Academic Honor List, including Conner Krey of Tahoka.

To be named to the Dean's List, a student must be an undergraduate with a minimum grade point average of 3.7 while enrolled in a minimum of 12 semester hours.

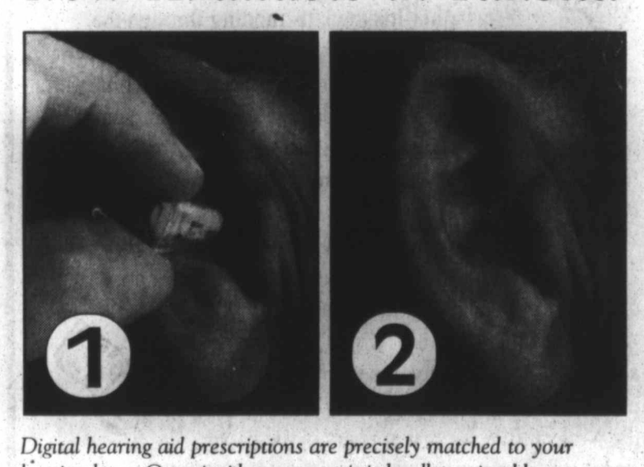
Krey is the son of John and Cheryl Krey of Tahoka.

McLaren Receives Masters Degree From Wayland

Andra Draper McLaren of Lubbock graduated from Wayland Baptist University on Saturday, June 5. She received her Masters of Education along with a certification in School Administration. She finished with a grade point average of 3.96 and was named to Wayland's Who's Who by the university faculty.

Mrs. McLaren just completed an administrative internship at Roscoe Wilson Elementary in Lubbock. She currently works as a Parenting Specialist with LISD and as a Student Teacher Supervisor with Texas Tech University.

She is the daughter of Robert and Shirley Draper of Tahoka.



WHIP-IT DEMONSTRATION – The Wilson Whip-Its jump rope performance team (lower photo) demonstrated their talents Monday at the Life Enrichment Center for all those who attended the Summer Reading Program (top photo). Some spectators also had the opportunity for hands-on attempts to do some of the jump rope routines. The reading program is held each Monday in June at the City-County Library, with the final program scheduled June 28. (LCN PHOTO)

Comptroller Delivers Sales Tax Rebate

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander last week delivered a total of $184 million in monthly sales tax payments to 1,097 Texas cities and 118 counties. June sales tax rebates are down slightly compared to June 1998. However, total payments to cities and counties for January-June 1999 are running 7.1 percent ahead of the same period last year.

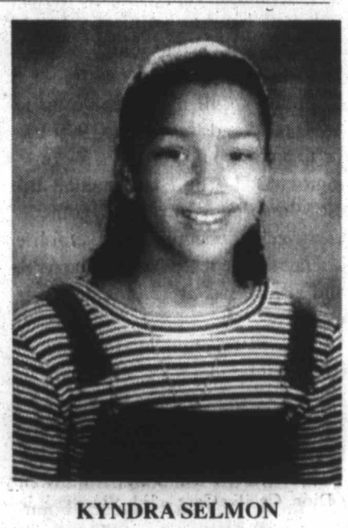
"The Texas economy continues to grow at a steady pace," Comptroller Rylander said. "Sales tax collections show that consumer confidence is strong."

June sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected in April and reported to the Comptroller's office in May.

Rebates for Lynn County were down 16.68 percent versus last year, receiving $5,308.97 this year and $6,372.02 last year.

Wilson showed the largest loss receiving $258.64 this year as opposed to $485.08 last year for a drop of 46.68 percent. O'Donnell showed a loss of 29.21 percent, receiving $584.59 this year versus $825.82 for the same period last year. Tahoka's loss was 11.76 percent, receiving $5,061.12 last year and only $4,465.74 this year.

The Comptroller's next sales tax allocation is scheduled for Friday, July 9.



KYNDRA SELMON

Selmon Named Award Winner

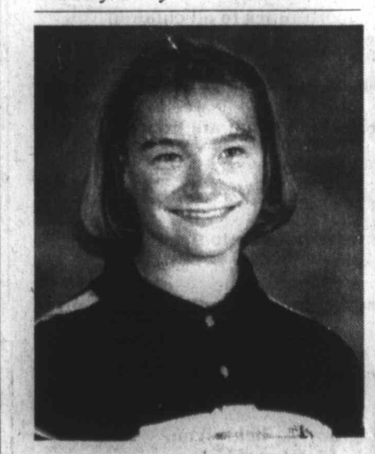
The United States Achievement Academy has announced that Kyndra Selmon of Tahoka has been named a United States National Award Winner in science.

This award is a prestigious honor very few students can ever hope to attain. In fact, the Academy recognizes fewer than 10% of all American High School students.

Kyndra, who attends Tahoka Middle School, was nominated for this national award by Mary Belew, science teacher at the school.

Her name will appear in the USAA Official Yearbook which is published nationally.

Kyndra is the daughter of Wendi Curry of Tahoka. Grandparents are Wanda Curry of Tahoka and Wiley and Kay Curry of Willis Point.



TONYA ELROD

Elrod Named USAA All-American Scholar

The United States Achievement Academy announced recently that Tonya Elrod of Tahoka has been named an All-American Scholar.

The USAA established the All-American Scholar Award Program to offer deserved recognition to superior students who excel in the academic disciplines. All-American Scholars must earn a 3.3, or higher, grade point average. These are awards few students can ever hope to attain.

Tonya is the daughter of Allen and Pam Elrod of Tahoka. Her grandparents are Jim Mary Elrod of Tahoka, and Charlie Ramsey, Louise Taylor, and Zetta Redwine, all of Eastland.

TASP Registration Deadline Set At SPC

June 25 is the registration deadline for the July 24 Texas Academic Skills Program (TASP) test at South Plains College's Levelland and Lubbock campuses.

The exam will be given at 8 a.m. in the SPC Student Assistance Center, on the third floor of the Library on the Levelland campus, 1401 College Ave. in Levelland, and at 8 a.m. at the Byron Martin Advanced Technology Center, 3401 Ave. Q in Lubbock.

Testing fee is $29.

Beginning with the 1998 fall semester, new students entering Texas public colleges and universities are required to take the TASP test prior to enrollment in college-level courses. Certain exemptions apply.

The test is mandated statewide to ensure that college students have the basic skills necessary for entry into college level work and success in their college studies.

Those who are exempt from taking the TASP test are persons who have at least three semester hours of college level work prior to the fall of 1989, have obtained certain high scores on the exit level high school examination (TAAS), ACT or SAT tests or who plan to enroll in certain certificate programs. Veterans who have completed basic training prior to the fall of 1989 are waived from the TASP test based on college credit hours received for basic training.

For more information, contact SPC Counseling Center on the Levelland campus at 806-894-9611, ext. 2366; or the Student Services Office on the Lubbock campus at 747-0576, ext 4631.

BRADLEY RANGEL

Rangel Named All-South Plains

Bradley Rangel, a recent graduate of Tahoka High School, was named last week to the Lubbock Avalanche Journal's All South Plains 2A-1A Baseball Team.

Rangel, an outfielder, batted .492 and had 23 runs, 7 doubles and 17 RBIs. His only home run on the year was a grand slam, and he threw out four baserunners at home plate from leftfield.

Bradley's parents are Bictor and Mary Lu Rangel of Tahoka.

SPCAA Offering Energy Assistance

The South Plains Community Action Association, Inc. (SPCAA) has once again received funding from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs to operate the Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program which makes funds available to low income families to help with the cost of utility bills.

The program will also assist in developing goals for energy self-sufficiency through case management and a co-payment utility plan; provide one time assistance in an energy related crisis; and to address inefficient home heating and cooling appliances through a retrofit, repair and replacement program.

Priority will be given to eligible households containing one or more persons age 60 or above, a disabled individual and families with young children under the age of six.

For more information on the program, contact SPCAA at 998-4521.

Well wrapped, rice can be frozen for up to six months.

Rain, Hail, Cool Temps Force Decisions For Cotton Farmers

Additional rain, damaging hail, and cool temperatures continue to require daily changing management skills for Lynn County farmers, and Jimmy Woodard, CED of Lynn County Farm Service Agency (FSA), this week discussed options for those whose cotton crop has failed.

Fields can be left to fallow, planted to one of several crops, or planted to a cover crop only, he said.

Market price and delivery point are other factors to be considered when going to alternative crops. The USDA program offers CCC loan and loan deficiency payments (LPD) for grain sorghum, soybeans, sunflowers, and other oil-seed crops. CCC loan can be requested if the crop is grown on a farm that is participating in the AMTA program. A farm does not have to have a base of the crop to obtain a loan or LDP. Most farms in Lynn County are participating in this program and receive a payment under the seven year AMTA program, making crops grown eligible for CCC loan and LDP.

Loan rates for commodities stored in Lynn County have the following rates: grain Sorghum - $3.46 cwt; Soybeans - $4.85 cwt; and Sunflowers - $8.70 cwt. These rates are used for calculation of the LDP rate when the Average World Price (AWP) is less than the loan rate.

Application for CCC loan requires the presentation of a warehouse receipt from an approved warehouse showing that the storage has been paid for the life of the loan note. The length of the loan note can not exceed nine months plus the rest of the month in which the loan is approved. The loan can be redeemed at any time by repaying one loan plus interest unless the AWP is less than the loan rate. The repayment rate is the lesser of loan value or AWP. The loan can be forfeited at the end of the life of the note without recourse to the producer.

Vegetables, including black-eyed peas, planted on contracted acreage will require a penalty that can be as little as an acre for acre reduction to a loss or refund of the total AMTA payment for as little as one acre planted on contract acreage. Two exceptions are allowed by making request at certification of the vegetable. One exception is the planting of vegetables as a green manure crop. The second exception is under double cropping conditions. A small grain for harvest must be planted in the rotation on the same acreage to qualify for this exception.

"A change in the double cropping requirements has been made after the information I stated in the last article in this paper. The change is that planting the vegetable in the year 2000 is not required," said Woodard. "The example has changed as follows: peas planted following failed cotton in 1999 and wheat planted this fall for harvest. The peas would not have to be planted next year for the exception to apply."

Under the exceptions listed, a penalty or loss of payment would not be required. Questions should be directed to the local FSA office, he said.

Certification of crops, including failed and second crops continues at the local FSA office. Producers are asked to call for an appointment if crops have failed and a certification is needed for the appraisal process. Appointments are being set for producers that do not call. The final date to request an appointment to certify crops in Lynn County is July 15. Producers are requested to call for an appointment to certify the second crop.

Producers with questions about certification should call the local FSA office at 998-4501.

NATASHA SHAREE MENSCH

OLIVIA ANN CANTU

Mensch, Cantu Receive Hoskins Scholarships

Recent Tahoka High School graduates Natasha Mensch and Olivia Cantu have received the Billie Brandon Hoskins Memorial Scholarship for the valedictorian and salutatorian of the class of 1999.

Natasha, who was valedictorian of her class and will attend Texas A&M University this fall to pursue a degree in Chemical Engineering, received a $3,100 scholarship.

Olivia, salutatorian of her class, is currently working toward an Accounting degree at Texas Tech University. She will receive a $2,900 scholarship.

The scholarship fund was established by Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hoskins of Fort Worth in memory of his mother Billie Hoskins, who was a student at New Moore, O'Donnell and Tahoka schools. According to Mr. Hoskins, his mother's biggest regret in life was not going to college. As she was a strong supporter of education and the importance of a college degree, he established the scholarship fund in hopes that others would be able to pursue their dream of a college education.

Local Teacher Awarded $5,000 Fellowship

Cathy Box, a science teacher at Tahoka High School, has been named as one of 17 Summer Research Teacher Fellows by the American Physiological Society (APS). She will work for seven to nine weeks in the laboratory of Jean C. Strahlendorf, Ph.D. at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in Lubbock.

Mrs. Box will receive a fellowship of up to $5,000 for her work in the research laboratory and attendance at a one-week summer retreat. The teacher's responsibilities in the research laboratory will include taking part in research experiments, the recording and analysis of data from these experiments, participating in laboratory meetings and seminars, and presenting her findings to the department. At the expense-paid Summer Retreat in Warrenton, Virginia, Mrs. Box will learn how to translate her research into classroom activities for her students.

According to APS Education Officer Dr. Marsha Lakes Matyas, "For many teachers this summer experience marks the first time they have ever participated in scientific research. It gives them a new perspective on their teaching, and the importance of hands-on, inquiry-based learning, which they carry back to their students."

Fellows will also receive up to $850 to attend the spring 1999 Experimental Biology meeting in Washington, D.C. The Experimental Biology meeting is an annual biomedical scientific meeting of several life sciences societies, including the APS, and attracts up to 15,000 scientists annually.

The 17 teachers were selected from middle and high school teachers across the country for the APS Frontiers in Physiology program. The Frontiers program is supported by grants from the National Institutes of Health, the National Science Foundation and funding from the American Physiological Society.

The APS is a professional scientific membership organization of more than 8,500 members that is devoted to fostering scientific research , education, and the dissemination of scientific research.

Texas Reading Club Fact Sheet

Top Ten Reasons
Why Summer **Reading** Programs Are Important

1. Studies have repeatedly demonstrated that summer **reading** helps children retain **reading** skills.
2. **Reading** is the single summer activity that is consistently related to summer learning.
3. Success in **reading** encourages more **reading**, and more **reading** encourages more success.
4. Library **reading** programs provide opportunities to all children, including children with physical or learning disabilities.
5. Libraries provide a cool place to spend hot summer days.
6. The librarian can help children select books that are exciting, interesting, and fun to **read**.
7. **Reading** together is a great family activity, and it's free!
8. Programs and activities that encourage children to use their imagination are readily available.
9. Children can keep in touch with school friends, and make new ones at the library.
10. Children who **read** can achieve their dreams.

A summer reading program is held from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. each Monday in June at the City-County Library in Tahoka.

BID NOTICE

Sealed bids for bread products and milk products FOB our facility will be considered at the Tahoka I.S.D. Board of Trustees meeting on Thursday, July 8, 1999 at 8:00 p.m. at the Harvick Educational Building at 2129 N. Main in Tahoka, Texas. For further information, contact the Tahoka I.S.D. Business Office at P.O. Box 2130, Tahoka, TX 79373 or phone 806/998-4600 or fax 806/998-4160. Bids will be accepted at the above address until 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 8, 1999. Envelopes should be marked: BREAD PRODUCTS BID or MILK BID. Any bids received after the deadline will be returned unopened. The board reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids. 25-2tc

BID NOTICE

Sealed bids for commercial property and fleet insurance will be considered at the Tahoka I.S.D. Board of Trustees meeting on Thursday, July 8, 1999 at 8:00 p.m. at the Harvick Educational Building at 2129 N. Main in Tahoka, Texas. For further information, contact the Tahoka I.S.D. Business Office at P.O. Box 2130, Tahoka, TX 79373 or phone 806/998-4600 or fax 806/998-4160. Bids will be accepted at the above address until 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 7, 1999 and will be opened at that time for review in preparation for board approval the following evening. Envelopes should be marked: PROPERTY/FLEET INSURANCE PROPOSAL. Any bids received after the deadline will be returned unopened. The board reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids. 25-2tc

BID NOTICE

The Commissioner's Court of Lynn County, Texas will accept sealed bids until Friday, July 9, 1999 at 1:00 p.m. for the purchase of one (1) District Court Records Optical Disk Document Management System. Detailed hardware and software specifications are as follows:

Standalone Version (Single User)

Integrated Imaging Specifications: Must integrate with existing popular software applications, as well as the above District Court Records Indexing application software, without the need for additional programming. Must be able to scan, file, retrieve, display, and print documents from within the current application, without exiting from the application. When not used in conjunction with an underlying application, must offer complete standalone document image processing and file management system. Should have ability to display document images on standard VGA monitors (without the need of additional video controllers or image decompression boards), as well as large-screen, high-resolution, dual-page displays. Should have ability to scan batches of documents for later indexing, as well as allow interactive scanning and indexing. Must support password security via user accounts which are setup by a system administrator. For example, a given user may have viewing and printing privileges, but may not be assigned the privileges of scanning or deleting documents.

System administrator should be able to choose whether documents are to be stored on optical platters (archived), or on magnetic disk (un-archived), and should allow for the movement of documents back and forth between magnetic and optical storage.

Expandability to multiuser system: Must be expandable to a multiuser system, incorporating document image print server, and optical jukebox, without re-recording any information.

Software support: All system software should be supported for initial and extended warranty periods by the vendor, or vendor's agents. Software support should include the ability to update system software via remote modem support, timely response to bug reports, the availability of additional training after initial training, and the availability of user group meetings.

Scanning/Viewing/Printing Station

Minimum Specifications Hardware: 433 MHz Intel processor or better, 32MB RAM system memory (expandable to 128MB), 128K external cache, 1.44MB (3.5") drive, 1 serial ports, 1 parallel port, 19" high resolution color monitor, SCSI Scanner controller card, 6GB hard disk drive or better, enhanced 101-key keyboard, MS Windows 98, un-interruptible power supply, LaserJet 4000T or better, Fujitsu M3096GX document scanner or better, 2HP Optical Disk Drives or better, all cables necessary, PC Anywhere, 2 5.2 GB Wonu platters and 56K modem.

Bids will be opened on Monday, July 12, 1999 at 10:00 a.m.

Lynn County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and the right to waive formalities.

By order of the Commissioner's Court of Lynn County.

/s/ J.F. Brandon, County Judge
24-2tc

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Wilson Volunteer Fire Department Tip of the Week: More tips for childcare providers: (1) When you are the childcare provider, you are in charge. During an emergency, you must act on your own and right away. (2) In case of a burn, cool the burn: one of the best first aid treatments for a burn is to run cool water over the burned area for 10 minutes. If a burn starts to blister, get medical help immediately. (3) Learn the stop, drop, and roll method of fighting a clothing fire. Then teach children the same thing, realizing that you as the childcare provider will be responsible to get the child to stop, drop, and roll in case of a clothing fire. (4) Always remember to call 911 in an emergency and to stay on the line so that you may give all the pertinent information to the operator. Above all, remain calm, since the children are looking to you for guidance and support.

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The Wilson First Baptist Church has called a new pastor and he has accepted the call. The new pastor is Brother Tom Griffin and his first Sunday in the pulpit will be July 4. Pastor Griffin is married with two children. Mrs. Griffin's first name is Kristie and the two children are Caleb Lee, who is nine years old, and Bethany Noelle, who is six years old. Bro. Griffin has just completed his Master of Divinity work at Southwest Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth.

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St. John Lutheran Church will host their annual Vacation Bible School the week of June 27-July 1. The event will be in the evenings from 6:30-9:15 with activities planned for students from age four through those who have just completed the fifth grade. For more information, contact Geneva Ehlers at 828-6805 or Pastor Linda at 628-6573.

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The Wilson Lions Club has announced that they will be hosting a blood drive on Thursday, July 1 from 4-7 p.m. The mobile unit will be parked on the school parking lot for the drive. Officials with the blood bank in Lubbock have indicated that there is a nationwide shortage of all types of blood and that the Lubbock center is unable to obtain blood from other areas. This means that donors in the Lubbock and surrounding areas are the only source of blood for this area. Officials also indicate that with the onset of summer, the blood requirements at least double and also that the Fourth of July holiday is one of their critical use times. At the present time, the center has a major need for both types of type O and type A blood. There has always been a great base of support and donors for the Lubbock blood bank but with the passage of time, many of the "old reliable" donors have been lost to the center, due to illness or other medical reasons. These donors must be replaced by new donors who realize the importance of giving blood, not just once, but as an ongoing project. The Wilson Lions Club drive is about two weeks away, but if you are going to be in Lubbock before then, you have time to go by the center and drop off a pint. There is some paperwork that will need to be completed but the purpose of the paperwork is to insure that the donor's blood can be accepted. Lubbock's United Blood Services Center is located at 2523 48th Street, which is just behind the Plains National Bank drive-in window location, and their phone number is (806) 797-6804. Please take the time and either go by the center or come by the mobile unit when it is here in Wilson and give the "Gift of Life" for someone.

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The Wilson Lions Club met last Thursday and after the meal, high school principal Mr. Jolley, presented a program on the computer situation and the future plans for computer use in the Wilson school system. Mr. Jolley's program was most informative and entertaining, and his explanation of computer use for both the student population and the community answered many questions for the audience. Thank you Mr. Jolley for an excellent program.

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Area residents are reminded to walk around their property and empty all containers of the rainwater that has accumulated over the past few days. This will help somewhat in reducing the exploding mosquito population.

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The Lynn County Pioneer Club's meals program is still going on for the summer. Most of the time, meals are brought to Wilson on Mondays and Wednesdays and are either served at the Mercantile or in some instances, delivered to the home. Those wanting to participate in the program need to contact Mrs. Follis at the City Hall at 628-6221 and request a meal so that the Tahoka Center knows how many meals to send over. Mrs. Follis also has a monthly menu available for both Wilson and Tahoka and copies are available for the asking. Meals are served daily in Tahoka and those wishing to have a meal on those days other than Monday and Wednesday are urged to go to Tahoka, to the Lynn County Pioneer Club, and eat with the Tahoka bunch.

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Remember, the Wilson School Library is open for summer use on Tuesdays and Thursdays form 1-3 in the afternoon. Community members are urged to make use of this service. Also, the "Cooking With Wilson" cookbooks are still available at the school library. Those wishing copies will probably find it easier to get copies by going by the library during summer hours. This is a "neat" little book with one special section of recipes and drawings by some of the younger primary students of Wilson Elementary School.

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Recent storms and the related power outages have raised questions concerning the damage that can be done to some home appliances during the time of power outage and fluctuation. Many repairmen, who work on appliances such as refrigerated air conditioning and refrigerators and some home freezers advise turning off or unplugging these type units until the power comes back on and until the power has time to stabilize.

MAKING IT LOOK BETTER–Texas Hwy. Dept. workers are in the process of planting trees, installing water lines and other enhancements to make approaches to US 87 and the loop more attractive. Here are trees and rock/concrete formations added near the south end of Ave. J where it joins US 87 south, by the south overpass.

Power "spikes" and "valleys" can damage the compressor unit in these appliances even to the point that the compressor or the entire appliance must be replaced. The cost of repair or replacement may or may not be covered by homeowners insurance so a few minutes spent shutting down these appliances, and unplugging the telephone lines from the back of computers, could save quite a bit of money. Other electronic appliances can also be damaged by power fluctuations, even if a "surge protector" is in use. Discuss these situations with your insurance agent and with appliance repairmen, and avoid problems before they occur.

Red Raider Day Set For July 14

The annual Red Raider Day has been scheduled for Wednesday, July 14 at T-Bar Country Club in Tahoka.

Registration will begin at noon, tee time is 1 p.m. Entry fee will be $50 per person. A meal will be served after play in the clubhouse.

For more information or to preregister, contact T-Bar Country Club at 998-5305.

LAURA ALDOUS LAWRENCE

Lawrence To Receive Teaching Certificate

Laura Aldous Lawrence of Amarillo will complete the first year toward her teaching certificate at Amarillo Montesson Academy at the end of this month. In August, she will start her internship, and in the next school year, she will be given her own classroom.

Mrs. Lawrence, a 1987 graduate of Tahoka High School, is married to Terry Gene Lawrence, and they have two children, Tyla Aldous and Joshua Lane Lawrence. The Lawrence family is formerly of Tahoka.

Mrs. Lawrence is the daughter of Ralph and Ann Aldous of Amarillo and the daughter-in-law of Lendon and Jean Lawrence of Tahoka.

Texas DHS Expands Finger Imaging System Statewide

The Texas Department of Human Services (DHS) is installing its fraud prevention system, known as the Lone Star Image System, in all DHS offices in the state. The Lone Star Image System uses finger image technology to prevent individuals from receiving duplicate benefits.

Under this program, all adults and minor heads of households applying for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or Food Stamps will supply finger images. As part of a phased statewide implementation, the Lone Star Image System was installed in the San Antonio region in July 1998 and in the Houston region in August 1998. These two regions represent approximately one third of the total TANF and Food Stamp caseload in the state. The system is scheduled to be installed in all DHS offices by August 1999.

"Finger imaging is an effective tool in deterring fraud in assistance programs," DHS Commissioner Eric M. Bost said. "Our goal is to reduce fraud while preserving the integrity of these important programs."

DHS officials say the full extent of welfare fraud involving duplicate benefits is difficult to assess, but DHS is confident that finger imaging will prevent a substantial portion of formerly undetected fraud. The deterrent effect of the Lone Star Image System is accessed by determining how many individuals apply for TANF and/or Food Stamps, but refuse to provide finger images and do not give any explanation for the refusal. Evaluation of the pilot data found a significant number of applicants withdrawing their requests for benefits when asked to provide finger images.

"The Lone Star Image System emphasizes fraud deterrence, not detection," Bost said. "With the Lone Star Image System in place, individuals are discouraged from even attempting to commit fraud in the first place."

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Services include information and referral, case management, advocacy, peer support group counseling, computer classes and independent living skills training.

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