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GRAND WINNERS - Pictured here are the Grand Champion winners at the Lynn County Stock Show held Jan. 25-27. Pictured from left are Chad Lowdermilk of Lynn-Garza Farm Bureau who donated the buckles; Matt Cramblet, Grand Champion Lamb winner; Kalah Bartley, Grand Champion Steer winner; and Toby Mires, Grand Champion Barrow winner. (LCN PHOTO)



RESERVE CHAMPS - The three young men on the right exhibited the Reserve Grand Champion animals at the annual Lynn County Stock Show, held Jan. 25-27 in Tahoka. Presenting buckles to the winners were Junior Follis of Farmers Coop. Assoc. in O'Donnell, Billy Miller of Creative Awards and Trophies, and Jerry Montgomery of Montgomery Seed and Delinting. Buckle winners were Josh Barron, Reserve Champion Steer; Ross Fillingim, Reserve Champion Barrow; and Landon Mires, Reserve Champion Lamb. (LCN PHOTO)

Contract Renewed For Wilson Supt. Mike Jones

The Wilson Independent School District Board of Trustees met in regular session Jan. 18, voting to extend Superintendent Mike Jones' contract for two years after meeting in closed session for an evaluation time.

In other business, the board accepted the resignation of Wilson High School Principal William Jolley, and approved the 1999-2000 financial audit as presented. Trustees also approved a resolution providing for the sale of any and all property acquired by the County of Lynn at

delinquent tax sales.

The board went into closed session to discuss a student disciplinary issue, but took no action on the issue upon returning to open session.

Superintendent Jones read a proclamation from Governor/President George W. Bush declaring the month of January as School Board Appreciation Month. School board members were also given framed certificates of appreciation for their commitment to improving the school for students, parents, staff and community of Wilson. Wilson ISD Board

members are Vann Stewart, President, Clyde Wilke, Vice President, John Henderson, Secretary, and members Dan Cook, Lonnie Paul Donald, Roy Isham, and Michael Taylor.

The January Employee of the Month, Mrs. Olivia Villareal, was presented at the meeting. Chris Chapman, daughter of Aubrey and Cindy Chapman, was selected as the Elementary Student of the Month, and Miguel Ortega, son of Oscar and Anita Ortega, was selected as the Secondary Student of the Month.

Ice Causes Traffic Accidents In County Over Weekend

Eleven traffic accidents related to icy highways occurred in Lynn County during the last week, mostly on Saturday and Sunday. No serious injuries were reported in any of the accidents, most of which involved only one vehicle.

Dept. of Public Safety patrolmen investigated five accidents Friday, beginning at 9:33 a.m. when a 1999 Lincoln Navigator driven by Lynda Proffit, 48, of Big Spring rolled over on U.S. 87 just north of O'Donnell city limits.

A bit further north, 2.6 miles north of O'Donnell on U.S. 87, a 1996 Buick Park Avenue driven by Percy Tate, 80, of Midland overturned just before 11 a.m.

At 3:45 p.m. on U.S. 87 two miles north of Tahoka, a 1995 GMC Suburban driven by Icidro Landeros, 21, of Dumas, skidded off the road and struck a sign pole.

At 4:56 p.m. DPS officers returned to the site of Friday's first accident .2 of a mile north of O'Donnell, where a Wisconsin man, Mark Feinberg, 54, suffered minor injury as his 1991 Volkswagen overturned.

On U.S. 380, 11 miles east of Tahoka at 10:45 p.m. Friday, a 1981 Chevrolet Blazer driven by Victor Herrera, 22, of Tahoka rolled over.

DPS investigated two wrecks Saturday. About mid-morning 11 miles north of Tahoka on U.S. 87, a 1999 Chevrolet van driven by Fernando Mendez, 44, of San Antonio overturned. And about 2:30 p.m. a 1995 Chevrolet van driven by Brian Epperson, 28, of Rockwall overturned, causing minor injuries to the driver.

Lynn County Sheriff's Dept. investigated one traffic accident and Tahoka Police Dept. also processed two accidents. O'Donnell Police Dept. reportedly investigated one traffic accident over the weekend.

Tahoka Police Saturday went to the scene of a collision at Ave. J and S. 5th St., where a 1989 Plymouth driven by Stefanie Renee Dotson, 17, of Tahoka and a 1993 Oldsmobile driven by Donnie Ray Fairweather, 54, of Lamesa were involved. And on Lockwood St. Monday, a 2000 Ford Ranger pickup driven by Justin Lamar Cogburn, 19, of Tahoka, overturned after skidding on the ice into a curb.

Sheriff's officers investigated a

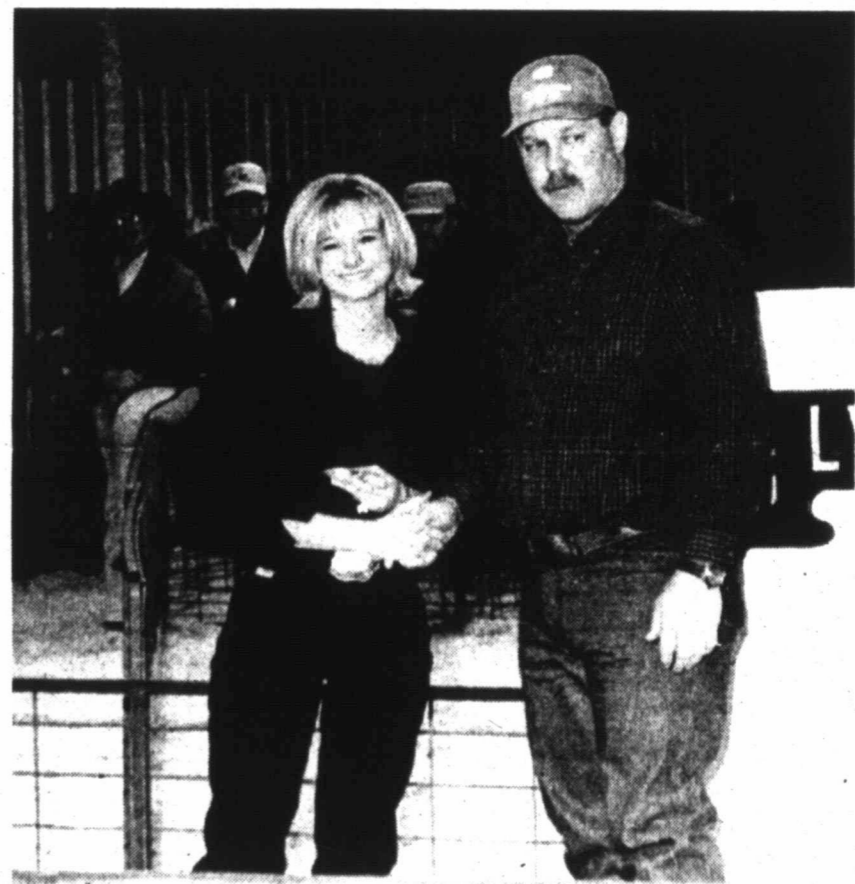
rollover of a 1998 Mercury Mountaineer on U.S. 84 near FM 212 about 3 p.m. Saturday. Driver was Sandra Elizabeth Rodene, 51, of Abilene, who suffered possible minor injury.

Two burglaries/thefts involving juveniles were cleared, one by Lynn County Sheriff's Dept. and one by Tahoka Police Dept. Sheriff's officers arrested a teenage juvenile suspect in theft of video games from the Wilson residence of Pete Arellano, who reported the theft Jan. 23. The games were recovered.

Debbie Saldana told Tahoka Police that some money, jewelry, compact disks and a Sanyo mini-shelf stereo system were stolen from her residence on N. 7th St. last Friday. Police talked with three juvenile suspects and recovered all of the stolen items except the stereo system, which was valued at \$75.

Two necklaces valued at a total of \$2,150 were reported stolen from the residence of Bettye Green on N. 6th St. in December.

Fifteen persons were added to the jail population during the last week. Five were jailed on charges of driving while intoxicated, varying from first to third offense. Other charges included DPS warrant for no liability insurance, grand jury indictment for DWI, assault causing bodily harm, unlawfully carrying a weapon plus no valid drivers license plus aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, speeding plus no seat belt and failure to appear, application to revoke probation on assault charges plus no drivers license and DWI third offense, issuing bad check, possession of a controlled substance, public intoxication and possession of marijuana.



OVERALL SHOWMAN - Ty Askew (right), representing Wayland Taylor Tractor, Inc., presents the Overall Showmanship buckle from last weekend's Lynn County Stock Show to Klyssa Kelln of Lynn County 4-H. (LCN PHOTO)

Susie Sosa Named Manager For Assisted Living Facility

Mrs. Robert (Susie) Sosa, office manager and nurse practitioner's assistant at the Wellness Clinic in Tahoka for the last nine years, has been chosen as manager for the Lynnwood Assisted Living Center now under construction next to Lynn County Hospital.

Her appointment to be the first manager/director of the facility, which will be operated by the hospital, was affirmed at last Thursday's meeting of the Lynn County Hospital Board, when Administrator Dan Powers said he believes Mrs. Sosa has all the personal and job experience qualifications needed to handle the job.

Experience in operating a medical facility is one of the criteria set by the state for a manager for assisted living housing for older persons needing help ranging from almost none to a few hours per day. Lynnwood, expected to open by next September, will include 20 units and could house as many as 30 residents.

"I'm really excited about the opportunity to work with the community's senior citizens through the assisted living center," Mrs. Sosa said. "I've always been a people person."

She and her husband and two children are members of St. Jude Catholic Church. Robert works in Lubbock and their children are Clay, 15, and Valerie, 10.

The hospital board Thursday



SUSIE SOSA

might also voted unanimously to increase Powers' salary as administrator by \$2,500 per year, to a new level of \$60,000, noting that in the few months since he was hired he already has effected savings of several thousand dollars in various areas of hospital procedures.

The board went into executive session to discuss the matter, sending Powers out of the room, then returned to regular session for the vote on a motion by member Dalton Wood.

Medical staff privileges were approved for pathologist Dr. Charles Osborn and radiologist Dr. Stanton Kremsky.

Billy Tomlinson presided over the meeting, also attended by members Jerry Ford, Joe Hays, Virginia Griffing, Peggy Morton and Wood. Member Mike Rivas was absent.



OKAY, so I was wrong. "Lockjaw" really is in the dictionary, or at least in the encyclopaedia. I never did check the dictionary after a friend sent me information on lockjaw from her encyclopaedia.

This all started a week or so ago during a table game, when someone mentioned that somebody or other might get lockjaw. It was the first time I had heard the word in years. When we were kids, people used to warn us against getting lockjaw, which I learned was some kind of blood poisoning, and which I assumed made your jaws lock together, causing you to miss a lot of meals.

I wondered aloud if the word were in the dictionary, since I had in my mind linked the word with some others we used to hear, like spizerinctum, catty-cornered, anagodling and such.

Anyway, lockjaw is another name for tetanus, says somebody's world book. I knew that. I remember when someone would cut themselves on rusty barb wire or step on a nail which went all the way through your foot (as I did once), one of the first things you did was get a tetanus shot. Actually the first thing I did was nearly faint, sat down and pulled the nail out, and commented, "I really wish I hadn't done that."

I never heard anybody call it a lockjaw shot, but maybe some folks did.

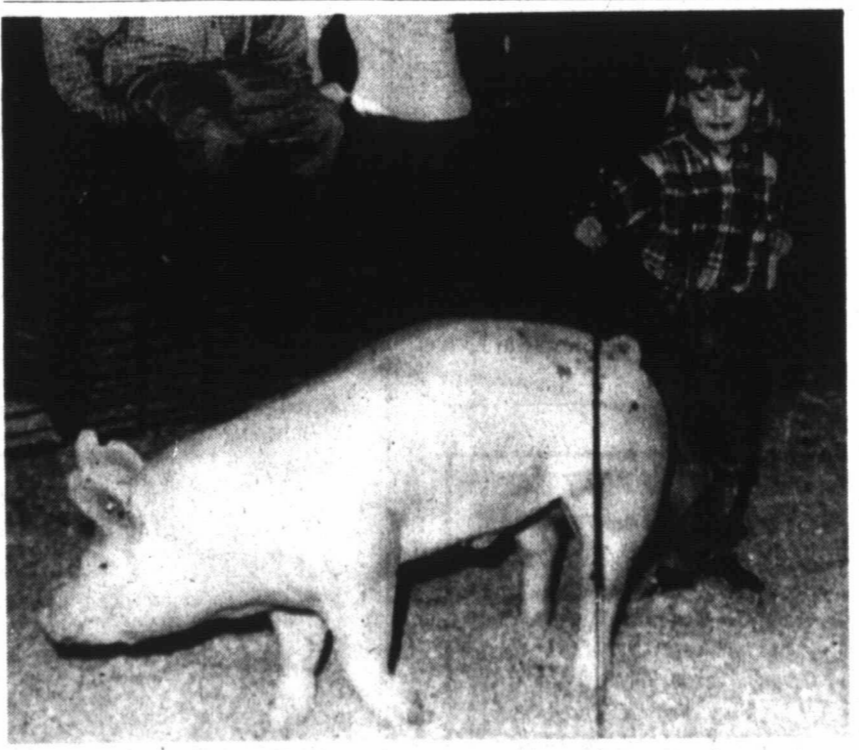
The information sent to me said tetanus is a disease which affects muscles and also is called lockjaw because severe spasms of the jaw muscles make it hard for the victim to open his/her mouth. It can eventually interfere with breathing and if not treated, a person may die of exhaustion.

I never knew anybody who had lockjaw. I do know people who talk 90 miles an hour with gusts up to 100. A slight touch of lockjaw might not be too bad for some folks.

Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Jan. 24	53	37	
Jan. 25	49	31	.02"
Jan. 26	62	32	
Jan. 27	31	30	.16"
Jan. 28	34	27	.49"
Jan. 29	49	27	
Jan. 30	51	31	
Total Precip. for January: 1.0"			
Precip. this time last year: 1.02"			

Complete Results of the Lynn County Stock Show were not available at press time. Results will be published in a future edition of the Lynn County News.



GET ALONG LITTLE PIG - Seven-year-old Harley Reynolds tries to get her pig in line during the annual Pee Wee Barrow Show at the Lynn County Stock Show held Jan. 25-27 in Tahoka. Harley's parents are Bryan and Paula Reynolds of Tahoka. (LCN PHOTO)

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WES GRISTY and ABBIE GILL

Couple Announce Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Gill of Lubbock announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Abbie Mae Gill, to Wes Gristy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tim Gristy of Lubbock.

The couple plan to marry August 18, 2001 at First Baptist Church in Lubbock.

Miss Gill is a graduate of Tahoka High School and will graduate from Texas Tech University College of Business in August 2001. The future bridegroom is a graduate of Lubbock High School and Wayland Baptist University and is currently a graduate student at Dallas Theological Seminary in Dallas.



KLYSSA KELLN

Klyssa Kelln To Attend NYL Conference

Klyssa Kelln, a senior at Tahoka High School, has been selected to attend The National Young Leaders Conference (NYLC) from March 13-18 in Washington, D.C. The NYLC is a unique leadership development program for high school students who have demonstrated leadership potential and scholastic merit. Kelln will be among 350 outstanding National Scholars from around the country to attend the conference. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Kelln of Tahoka.

The theme of the NYLC is "The Leaders of Tomorrow Meeting the Leaders of Today." Throughout the six-day conference, Kelln will interact with key leaders and newsmakers from the three branches of government, the media and the diplomatic corps.

Highlights of the program include welcoming remarks from the floor of the U.S. House of Representatives and a panel discussion with prominent journalists at the National Press Club. Kelln will also meet with senators and representatives or an appointed member of their staff to discuss important issues facing the nation.

The National Young Leaders Conference provides an opportunity for students like Klyssa Kelln to distinguish themselves as tomorrow's leaders," said Michael Lasday, executive director of the Congressional Youth Leadership Council (CYLC), the organization that sponsors the NYLC. "Scholars not only gain knowledge and experience in the nation's capital, they leave with a sense of accomplishment and an increased ability to face the challenges of the future."

To complement the schedule of special meetings and briefings, Kelln will also participate in a number of leadership skill-building activities. In one role-playing activity known as "If I Were President" students act as the president and Cabinet members responding to an international crisis. Students also participate in a judicial simulation called "Testing the Constitution," in which they examine an actual Supreme Court case. The NYLC culminates with the "Model Congress," in which scholars assume the roles of U.S. representatives, and debate, amend and vote on proposed legislation.



BEST AT BAKING - These six young people were named champions in the annual Baked Goods Contest held in conjunction with the Lynn County Livestock Show. Winners were (from left to right) Kami Owens, Champion Pie; Chantry Thornhill, Reserve Grand Champion Baked Good; Brady Evans, Champion Cake; Kindace Druesedow, Champion Machine Creation; Portia Grant, Grand Champion Baked Good; Trevor Gicklhorn, and Champion Cookies. Not pictured is Ashley McNeely, Champion Quick Bread. (LCN PHOTO)



DEDICATED TO SHOW - The annual Lynn County Livestock Show and Premium Sale was dedicated this year to Bobby and Janice Lee of Wilson for their dedication to the show and its participants over the years. They have resided in Lynn County for over 40 years and Mr. Lee was the ag teacher at Wilson ISD for several years. Pictured from left are the Lee's son-in-law and daughter, Dirk and Kerrie Wright, Mrs. Lee, grandchildren Hagan and Bailee Wright, Mr. Lee and David Wied, who presented the plaque. (LCN PHOTO)



STORK REPORT

Gary and Tracy Autry of Tahoka announce the birth of a son, Grayson Clint Autry, born Thursday, Jan. 18,

2001 at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. He weighed 5 lbs. 13 oz. and was 18 1/2 inches long.

He has an older sister, Hayden, 20 months.

Grandparents are John and Dorothy Draper of Tahoka, Helen and Jack Stephenson of Wilson and Thomas and Linda Autry of San Angelo.



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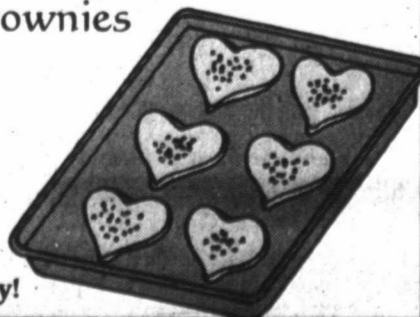
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Fees Due For Boy Scout Flag Program

Tahoka Boy Scout Troop #721 and Cub Pack 782 announce that fees are now due for the Boy Scouts Annual Holiday Flag Program. The Boy Scouts offer the program to residents for a \$25 yearly fee, placing U.S. Flags at residential or business locations six times a year.

"Your support has enabled us to keep our charter active for 60+ years, and allows us to attend many beneficial events," said a Scout representative.

To subscribe to the program and support the local Scouts, send the \$25 fee to Boy Scouts, P.O. Box 1044, Tahoka, TX 79373. For more information, contact Barry Pittman at 759-0977.

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News from the Tahoka Care Center

by Beverly Zuniga

Let me call you Sweetheart, fall in love with me! Adopt a resident for Valentine's. Each resident will have a decorated box in their room for valentines. If you would like to send a valentine card or a gift, please send it to Tahoka Care Center, Box 449, Tahoka 79373. If you would like to come by and adopt a resident for Valentine's Day, drop by 1829 S. 7th.

The Family Night program on Thursday the 25th was very enjoyable and uplifting as Rev. Gloria Moore, Henrietta Bursleson and Janie Melton played and sang gospel music to the residents. Thank you ladies for such a good night of music.

Thank you to the families of Ina Phillips, Maria Lopez, L.C. Bursleson, and Loretta Jones for providing the refreshments.

If anyone would like to volunteer to come on a Saturday to call Bingo, play cards, dominoes, or talk about current events, please call 998-5018. The residents will look forward to seeing you.

Thank you to the Dixie Dog for donating cokes to the six residents who went on the van ride to O'Donnell. We appreciate you for quenching our thirst.

Grants Available To Help Pay Energy Bills

Consumer Guidance has established a grant fund to help people who are having financial problems because of high energy costs. This grant program is funded by private donations from corporations and private citizens who receive a tax exemption because of the organizations 501 (c) 3 non-profit status granted by the Internal Revenue Service.

"Many people who are struggling with energy bills do not know that financial assistance is available from non-profit organizations and from the government," says Allen Nichols, Executive Director of Consumer Guidance. "We have established the Energy Help Grant Program and also publish a number of booklets to help consumers who are struggling with rising energy costs."

Consumers can receive a free grant application and more informa-

tion about other financial help by calling 202-595-1035 or by visiting Consumer Guidance's Internet web site at www.ConsumerGuidance.org.

Corporations or individuals who wish to contribute to Consumer Guidance's Energy Help Grant Program can send tax deductible contributions to: Consumer Guidance, P.O. Box 96051, Washington, DC 20090-6051.

At this point, the stands at 1-3 with one play this season.

Eighth Grade Boys by Sarah Hawthorn

The 8th grade boys lost 37-31, Jan. 29.

Top scorers were Nick Rodriguez with 11 points and Ramon V. Their next game is Feb. 5.

Seventh Grade Boys by Heather Stark

On Jan. 29, the suffered a loss again. High scorers in the

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JUDGING WINNERS - David Wied, representing All-American Chevrolet in Slaton presented buckles to the winners of the Judging Contest at the annual Lynn County Stock Show and Premium Sale, held Jan. 25-27. Winners were (left to right) Kevin Mitchell, adult division, 192 points; Cody Tomlinson, senior division, 193 points; and Matthew Saldana, junior division, 190 points. (LCN PHOTO)

Tahoka School News

by Tahoka High School Growl Staff

Varsity Boys Basketball by Cory Gardner

On Friday, Jan. 26, the Dogs defeated the Ralls Jackrabbits 58-49. Scorers for the Dogs were Adrian Moore 14, Coy Gardner and B.J. Andrews 12, Ren Ellis 7, J. J. Scott 5, Michael DeLeon 4, Kevin Rodriguez and Warren Baker 2.

On Tuesday, Jan. 23 the Dogs defeated the New Deal lions 59-57. Scorers for the Dogs were Moore 15, Gardner and Ellis 13, Andrews 10, Rodriguez 4, Brandon McCord and Scott, 2.

JV Boys Basketball by Carrie Gregory

The JV Dogs were stomped by New Deal 50-24 on Tuesday, Jan. 23. The JV Bulldogs will face Post here on Tuesday, Jan. 30 at 5:15 p.m.

Freshmen Boys Basketball by Casey Jones

The freshmen Bulldogs came up just a hair short in a 32-27 loss to the Idalou Wildcats at home on Monday night.

Three players took care of all the scoring duties. Casey Hall was the top scorer for the game with 11 points. Chris Ashbrook followed with 10 points and Michael DeLeon capped off the scoring with 6 more points.

At this point, the Bulldogs' record stands at 1-3 with one more game left to play this season.

Eighth Grade Boys Basketball by Sarah Hawthorne

The 8th grade boys played Idalou and lost 37-31, Jan. 29.

Top scorers were Gary Gonzales and Nick Rodriguez with 8 points, Monty Jolly with 5 points, Daniel Garza with 2 points and Ramon Vega with 1 point.

Their next game will be at Sundown, Feb. 5.

Seventh Grade Boys Basketball by Heather Stark

On Jan. 29, the seventh grade boys suffered a loss against Idalou, 25-18. High scorers in the game were Larry

Murphy 10, Colby Gardner, 4, and Corey Jolly, 2.

The boys next game will be Feb. 5 at Sundown, which is their final game.

Varsity Girls Basketball by Kammie Williams

The Lady Dogs were defeated by Ralls 45-31 Friday, Jan. 26. Top scorers were Keely Boone with 10 points, Lezli Gandy with 8, and Kammie Williams with 5.

The Lady Dogs were to challenge the Post Antelopes here Tuesday, Jan. 30.

The Lady Dogs were defeated 45-27 by New Deal on Tuesday, Jan. 23. Top scorers were Boone with 9, Gandy with 5 and Chelsey Miller with 5 points.

JV Girls Basketball by Brandi Tekell

The Tahoka JV girls basketball team stomped Ralls Friday, Jan. 26, winning 35-19.

The top three scorers in the game were Ashanti Hood with 13 points, Emily Botkin with 7 points, and Lynsi Williams with 5 points.

The JV girls defeated New Deal 34-27 on Tuesday, Jan. 23. Top three scorers in the game were Kirsten Tillman with 14 points, Ashanti Hood with 10 points, and D'Lea Autry with 5 points.

Because of this win, the JV girls are now tied for second place in district against New Deal.

Eighth Grade Girls Basketball by Kyndel Byrd

The 8th grade Lady Dogs defeated Idalou 36-19 Jan. 29.

Top scorers for the Lady Dogs were Ashdon Hancock with 14 points, Angela Curtis with 11 points, and Julee Meador with 10 points.

The Lady Dogs will challenge Sundown Feb. 5.

Varsity Powerlifting by Heather Stark

On Jan. 27, the THS Powerlifting team placed third in the Sundown Powerlifting meet. Ten male THS lifters participated and two female lifters participated.

Steven Solorzano placed first in the 148 lb. class. He was also awarded outstanding lifter in lighter weight classes.

Michael Garcia placed first in the 275 lb. class. Ben Stroope placed second in the 165 lb. class. Matthew Benavides placed fourth in the 148 lb. class. Lance Lankford placed fifth in the super heavy-weight class.

Colton McNeely, Pablo Herevia, Miguel Garza, Frank Rodriguez, J.C. Garza, Mandi Benavides, and Susana Garza also lifted in the meet.

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Obituaries

Chloe Burleson

Celebration services for Chloe Burleson, 3, of Trophy Club were held Friday, Jan. 26 at First Baptist Church of Plainview with the Rev. Travis Hart and her uncle, Rev. Dennis Noblett officiating.

She died Friday, Jan. 19, 2001 at Children's Hospital in Denver.

She was born Aug. 8, 1997 in Fort Worth.

Survivors include her parents, Jay and Diane Burleson of Trophy Club; a brother, Collin of Trophy Club; her grandparents, Bob and Terry Noblett of Plainview and Lyndall and Donna Burleson of Clovis, N.M.; and her great-grandmother, Omega Uzzle of Tahoka.

The family suggests memorials to the Purple Ladybug Foundation, 301 Commerce, Suite 2500, Fort Worth 76102 in care of Jay Burleson; the Cook Children's Cardiology Department; or to the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Veronica Pena

Services for Veronica Pena, 41, of Amarillo were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 30 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Plainview with Rev. Gerard Kenney officiating.

Burial was in Parklawn Memorial Gardens.

She died Saturday, Jan. 27, 2001.

She was born Dec. 2, 1959 in Tulia. She married Tony Pena on March 20, 1978 in Plainview. He died Sept. 11, 1995.

Survivors include a daughter, Davida of Amarillo; a son, Eldon Flores of Plainview; five brothers, Vincent Montez of Colorado City, Eugene and Eric Montez, both of Tahoka, and Derek Montez and Jerry Florez, both of Midland; a sister, Beverly Munoz of Tahoka; and two grandchildren.

Florence Gary

Graveside services for Florence Gary, 90, of Sabatha, Kan. were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 30 at the Tahoka Cemetery with Rev. Marvin Gregory, pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Tahoka, officiating.

Arrangements were under the direction of White Funeral Home of Tahoka.

She died Jan. 26, 2001 at V.A. Medical Center in Topeka, Kan.

She was born Jan. 6, 1911 in Henderson. After graduating from high school, she joined the U.S. Army and was a nurse during the Korean Conflict. She was a resident of Kansas for 40 years.

Survivors include a nephew, Joe Gary of Lubbock.

Sylvina Kemp

Services for Sylvina Kemp, 92, of Hamlin were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, at Foster Adams Funeral Home Chapel in Hamlin.

She died Sunday, Jan. 28, 2001. She was born Aug. 13, 1909 in Fisher County.

She married W.J. Kemp in Dec. of 1934. He preceded her in death. She was a housewife and a member of the Hamlin United Methodist Church.

Survivors include two brothers, Earl Kiser and Paul Kiser, both of Tahoka; and one sister, Gloralee Ferguson of McCauly.



PRETTY PRINCESSES - These six young ladies represented their respective organizations as Princesses for the annual Lynn County Livestock Show and Premium Sale held last weekend at the show barn in Tahoka. They are (left to right) Kaci Wied, New Home FFA; Chelsey Miller, Tahoka FFA; Kindace Druesedow, Lynn Co. 4-H Lucky Leaf; Emily Botkin, Lynn Co. 4-H; Jenae Willis, O'Donnell FFA; and Tonya Forbes, O'Donnell FFA. Not pictured is Tiffany Hair, Wilson FFA Princess. (LCN PHOTO)

Dallas Holm Concert Slated In Lubbock

Family Life Radio, KAMY - 90.1 FM, will present Dove Award winner Dallas Holm in concert on Friday, Feb. 16, at Southcrest Baptist Church in Lubbock. The church is located at 3801 South Loop 289 and the concert will begin at 7:00 PM. Admission is free, but a "love offering" will be received for the ministry of Dallas Holm. Family Life Radio, KAMY is also asking everyone to bring a canned food item to benefit the South Plains Food Bank. Barrels will be set up at the concert entrance.

Dallas Holm has ministered through his successful music career for the past 34 years. To his credit are Dove Awards for: Song of the Year, "Rise Again"; Male Vocalist of the Year, 1980; Pop/Contemporary Album of the Year, "All That Matters" and many more.

For more information call KAMY at 794-1766.

In her left arm, the Statue of Liberty cradles a tablet bearing the date of the Declaration of Independence in Roman numerals: MDCCLXXVI.

'Food Checkout Day' Celebrated Here Feb. 7

National Food Checkout Day will be celebrated on Feb. 7, and Lynn-Garza County residents may contribute non-perishable food items at the Tahoka Thriftway grocery store or at the Lynn-Garza County Farm Bureau office. Food Checkout Day represents the day by which the average American has earned enough income to buy his or her food for the entire year. In 2001, that is Feb. 7, only 38 days after New Year's Day, according to information released this week by Farm Bureau.

"Our abundant food is one of the great success stories in America," said Milton Edwards, president of the Lynn-Garza County Farm Bureau. "Food Checkout Day shows the great affordability of food and it also gives

us a chance to share some of that blessing with folks who are in need," he added.

The local Farm Bureau will purchase food and invites residents of Lynn-Garza County to donate non-perishable food items for use at the local Lynn County Pioneers Senior Citizens Center.

"The people who grow America's food are very proud of our role, but many others, from research and distribution, are also involved," Edwards said. "It takes only 38 days to earn enough money to buy a year's supply of food, but it takes more than 120 days to earn enough to pay your taxes for that same year," he added.

For more information, contact the Lynn-Garza Farm Bureau office.

No great artist sees things as they really are. If he did he would cease to be an artist.

—Oscar Wilde

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STOCKSHOW WINNERS - These young people were winners at the New Home Stock Show held Jan. 20. They are from left, Zac Morris, Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Goat and Goat Showmanship; Trey Smith, Swine Showmanship; Haley Wilkinson, Reserve Grand Champion Steer; Matthew Cramblet, Grand Champion Lamb; Kaci Wied, Reserve Grand Champion Lamb; T.J. Johnston, Grand Champion Barrow; Kelsi Kieth, Reserve Grand Champion Barrow; Ryan Wied, Lamb Showmanship; Justin Steer Showmanship; Ross Fillingim; Grand Champion Steer; and show judge Aaron Preator.



FREE CHANCE - Zac Morris of the New Home Leopards tries a free throw in a 48-36 win over Ropes on Jan. 23. (Photo courtesy of Purple Circle Magazine)



UP, UP & AWAY - Lady Leopard Stephanie Kieth (#25) lets loose a free throw in an overtime win on Jan. 23. New Home defeated Ropes 68-65. (Photo courtesy of Purple Circle Magazine)

USDA Crop Disaster Program Sign-up Begins

The Farm Service Agency is now setting appointments to make application for the new Crop Disaster Program (CDP), announced Jimmy Woodard, County Executive Director of the Lynn County Farm Service Agency.

"Producers are asked to bring their bale listing and recap sheets to this office. Following this calculation we will then set an appointment for application," explained Woodard. The Crop Disaster Program provides financial assistance to farmers who are eligible for compensation for crop losses directly attributed to adverse weather and related conditions.

"Natural disasters are a constant threat to our farmers," said Woodard. "This program will help those who suffered losses last year. The sign-up period began Jan. 29 and the end of the sign-up period will be announced at a later date, once the program regulations are published in the Federal Register," he said. Producers should be aware that issuance of program payments is pending Federal Register publication as well.

According to Woodard, 2000 CDP payments will be calculated at 65 percent of the county rate for insured and non-insurable crops. For crops that are uninsurable in the county, but for which the producer did not purchase insurance, the payment will be calculated at 60 percent of the county rate.

"Funding is not limited for the 2000 CDP, unlike last year," said Woodard. "Because it was fully funded, farmers will receive 100 percent of the final calculated payments as soon as program regulations are published - providing their County Office Committee has approved their CCC-557 (application), and the producer has provided all the necessary program documentation," he explained.

Owner's applications will be completed at the time of the operator's appointment. Operators with power-of-attorney can complete the application at that time. Otherwise the operator will contact the owners to complete the application, Woodard explained.

New Home Basketball News

The New Home Lady Leopards slipped by Ropes in overtime on Tuesday, Jan. 23, winning 68-65, making their record 14-9, and 3-0 in district play.

Leading the Lady Leopards were Heather Kieth with 23 points and Stephanie Kieth with 15. Also scoring were Randi Thornhill with 10, Mindy Dion with 9, Tiffany Nettles with 6, and Danna Swartz with 5.

The JV Ladies defeated Ropes 33-26.

The Lady Leopards whipped Wilson 67-32 on Jan. 19. Mindy led the way with 16 points while Carri Floyd and Danna put in 11 each. Heather added 8, Tiffany had 7, Stephanie and Randi put in 6 each and Angelica Gonzales added a deuce.

The men's team stomped on Ropes 67-41 on Jan. 23, ending the game with a record of 21-3 and 3-0 in district.

Shaun Wied led all scorers with 20 points followed by Matthew Cramblet with 18. Jason Reyes put in 14, Michael Wied added 6, Nathan Black had 5 and Jonathan Rodriguez and Justin Garza added 2 each.

The Leopards will play Ropes on Feb. 2 and Wilson on Feb. 6.

On Jan. 23 the JV men defeated Ropes 48-36.

The junior high Leopards were in action against Southland on Monday, Jan. 29, defeating Southland 48-28.

The NEW HOME News by Karon Durham 924-7448

The New Home Student Council still has 2001 Community Birthday Calendars available for sale at only \$4 each. The calendars may be purchased from any Student Council member or Mrs. Marsha Scott.

Yearbooks are currently on sale. Contact the school for more information.

Pennies for Pasta will begin on Feb. 9.

Tahoka School Menu

Feb. 5-9

Breakfast

Monday: Donuts or Cereal & Toast, Apple Juice, Milk.

Tuesday: Sausage & Biscuit, or Cereal & Biscuit, Fruit Punch Juice, Milk.

Wednesday: Cinnamon Rolls or Cereal & Toast, Grapejuice, Milk.

Thursday: Breakfast Pizza, or Cereal & Toast, Pineapple Tidbits, Milk.

Friday: Pancake & Sausage Sticks or Cereal & Toast, Orange Juice, Milk.

Lunch

Monday: Tacos, Spanish Rice, Lettuce, Tomato, Peach Cups, Milk.

Tuesday: Baked Ham, Cream Potatoes, Green Beans, Pears, Hot Rolls, Milk.

Wednesday: Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza, Mixed Salad, Apple, Cherry Shape-Up, Milk.

Thursday: Corn Dogs, Salad, Tator Tots, Orange Slices, Milk.

Friday: Hamburger or Cheeseburger, Lettuce, Onion, Pickle, French Fries, Peach Cobbler, Milk.

Senior Citizens MENU

Feb. 5-9

Monday: Chicken Fried Steak, Baked Potato, Green Beans, White Gravy, Wheat Roll, Apricots. **GAME NIGHT-6 p.m.**

Tuesday: Green Chili Chicken, Red Beans, Lettuce & Tomato Salad or Onions, Tomatoes & Peppers, Cornbread or Tortillas, Fruit Salad.

Wednesday: Cube Steak, Cabbage, Corn, Pickles, Cornbread, Pumpkin Crunch.

Thursday: Spaghetti w/Meatsauce, Tossed Salad/Ranch Dressing, Cornbread or Roll, Purple Plums, Cookies.

Friday: Beef Stroganoff, Noodles, Broccoli, Celery Sticks, Wheat Roll, Strawberry or Peach Shortcake.



WHO'S WHO - These young men and women were selected by the faculty as Who's Who at New Home High School. They are from left, Carrie Floyd (senior), Wade Brand (senior, Mr. NHHS), Shaun Wied (junior), Mindy Dion (senior), Keaton Askew (junior), Angelica Gonzales (senior), Michael Wied (junior) and Cecilia Garza (senior, Miss NHHS).

City-County Library Board Has Meeting

The City-County Library Board met Jan. 22 with six members attending. The board welcomed three new members, including Rachel Lehman, Diann Reynolds, and Sharon Gandy.

Librarian Shirley Draper reported on funding received, donations for the year, grants, and expenses for the year 2000. The library had a total of 8,029 books checked out during the year, including 4,729 adults and 3,301 juniors, and reported 565 computer users.

All grants which the library received in 2000 have been completed except for the Texas Book Festival Grant and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Grant.

"All of these grants have greatly enhanced the usefulness of our library and we hope that everyone will

come by and take advantage of the services of the library," said Mrs. Draper.

December Weather Colder Than Normal

The weather across the Texas South Plains during the month of December was colder than normal with precipitation near normal according to the National Weather Service at Lubbock.

Temperatures averaged 4.9 degrees below normal with precipitation averaging 0.02 inches below.

High temperature for the month was 72 degrees at Big Spring on Dec. 10. The lowest recorded temperature was 5 degrees at Tulia on Dec. 31. Hereford recorded the most snowfall with 13 inches.

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The report to the Commission has been assigned Docket No. 23423. Persons with questions about this project should contact Bryant Higginbotham at SPEC, 4727 South Loop 289, Suite 200, Lubbock, Texas, (806) 775-7732, or James Driver at GCEC, P.O. Box 69, Childress, Texas 79201, (940) 937-2565. Persons who wish to intervene in the proceeding or comment on the action should contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas at P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, or call the Public Utility Commission's Office of Customer Protection at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the Commission at (512) 936-7136. The deadline for intervention and comments is March 15, 2001 and a letter requesting intervention should be received by that date. 5-2tc

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MORRIS IS THE MAN - Zac Morris, a New Home FFA member, is shown here with his father John (left) and the lamb that won Grand Champion Lamb at the Lynn County Stock Show held Jan. 25-27 in Tahoka. Zac also exhibited the Reserve Grand Champion Lamb. (LCN PHOTO)

The Wilson News

by Buster Abbe • 628-6368

Wilson Volunteer Fire Dept. Tip of the Week: If you have had tree limbs or branches that have broken or fallen off trees or shrubs during the recent icy spells and you have finally decided to trim them off and cut them up to dispose of them, please be sure they are not in contact with an electric line. Since the branches or limbs are damp, they can carry an electrical current and be quite dangerous. Take a little time to check and be sure that any wires are not in contact with the branches. If you are not sure, contact your utility company and let them help you make sure.

A big special thanks to all the crews from the utility companies who have spent so much time trying to keep the electrical power up and running.

The First Baptist Church of Wilson announces that Pastor Jon Tuceau and his wife, Maria, from Beltz, Moldova will be at First Baptist this Sunday, Feb. 4 during the morning service. He is the pastor of the largest church in Moldova. Attendance exceeds 2000 every Sunday with standing room only in multiple services. This church sent out 70 missionaries to serve full-time on the field with 40 of them serving on foreign fields. His interpreter is Dr. Stela Gorbani, Professor and Head of the Dept. of Languages

at the University of Beltz, Moldova. She also serves as Secretary for Church Starts International (CSI) in Beltz. This special service is open to all area residents and all are issued a special invitation to attend.

The Souper Bowl dinner scheduled for last Sunday at the First Baptist Church has been rescheduled for this Sunday, Feb. 4, after the morning service. The dinner will still be in the fellowship hall and the menu will still be soups, stews, and chili with a desert and drink. Cost of the meal will be a freewill donation. Funds generated by this event will be used for youth activities and events.

The women of the First Baptist Church of Wilson began their Bible study last Monday night with an opening program. The study work will begin next Monday and they welcome any additional ladies who would like to attend. The only cost will be \$12.95 which covers the cost of the workbook. For more information please call the church at 628-6333.

It is not time to sign up yet, but city officials are announcing that three spots on the Wilson City Council will be up for election for a normal term of office and one space will be up to fill an unexpired term. The three-year terms of Victor Steinhauser, Janie Zavala and Lupe Guzman will expire and the unexpired term of Mark Holman will be filled in a second election.

Three-week Progress Reports were mailed to parents of Wilson ISD students on Tuesday, Jan. 30. If you have any questions about your child's academic success, please call the school to visit with your child's teacher or arrange a conference.

The State of Texas School Report Card for Wilson Schools was sent home with the students on Jan. 30. Wilson Schools were rated as "Recognized" by the Texas Education Agency based on the high passing percentage rate of students on the TAAS test. It truly takes a group effort to achieve this rating. Students, parents, teachers, staff, administrators, board members, and community members worked together to accomplish this goal.

The Wilson Junior High Basketball squads will compete in the JH District Tournament at Ropes beginning this Thursday. The boys play Ropes JH Thursday night at 5:15 p.m. in the new gym at Ropes. The girls play Southland at 6:30 p.m., also in the new gym. Both squads will play two games on Saturday, with times and opponents yet to be determined.



GOOD SPORT - Tanner Thomas (left), a member of Tahoka FFA, was honored with the Sportsmanship award at the Lynn County Livestock Show held Jan. 25-27 in Tahoka. Presenting the plaque is Sandy Cox-Kizer who offers the annual award in memory of her late husband, Bobby Cox. (LCN PHOTO)



GOAT SHOW AWARDS - Zac Morris (middle) earned buckles for Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Goat and senior showmanship in the goat class at the Lynn County Livestock Show held Jan. 25-27 in Tahoka. Brady Evans (right) was named junior showmanship winner. Presenting the buckles was Steve Mears representing donors Lamesa Tire and Battery, Mesa Irrigation, The Fertilizer Place, Hogg Flying Service, Steve and Charisse Mears, Furlow Farms and Sam Stevens. (LCN PHOTO)

Mesa Irrigation Honored For Overall Excellence

Lindsay Manufacturing Company, makers of Zimmatic® irrigation equipment, recently honored Mesa Irrigation Wilson/NH B of Wilson, with the company's Circle of Excellence award at Lindsay's annual convention held in San Antonio. This award recognizes Mesa Irrigation Wilson/NH B for exceeding

dealership performance standards in 2000 and taking extraordinary steps to ensure its continued success.

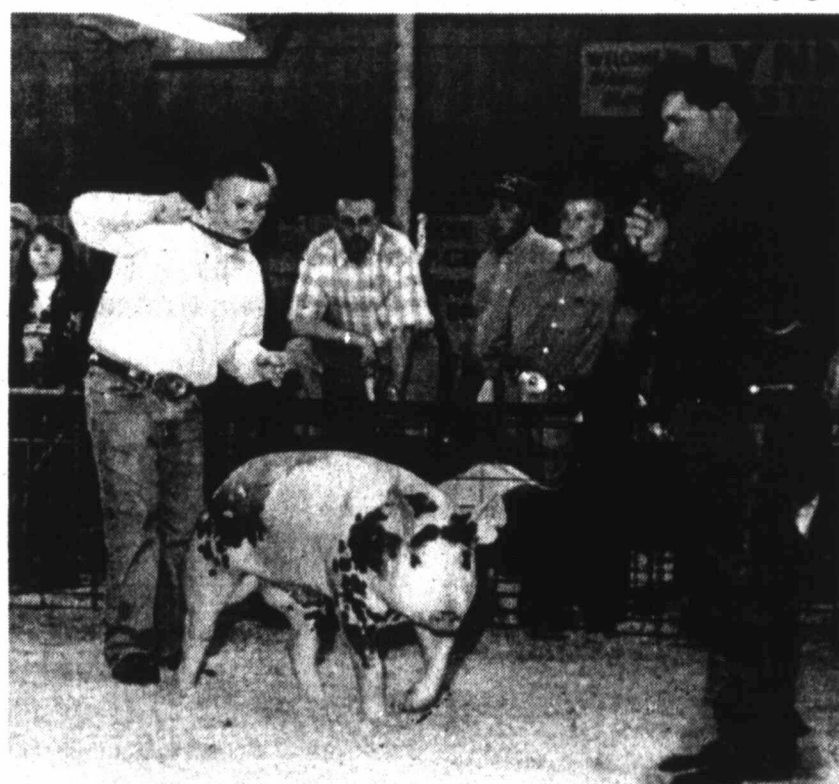
"Circle of Excellence dealers made major financial and personal investments in their dealership this past year to help guarantee that their customers continue receiving top-quality service," said Bob Snoozy, Vice President of Sales, explaining that Zimmatic dealers are a critical link in the chain between customers and Lindsay Manufacturing.

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HERE LITTLE PIGGIE - Josh Dorman of O'Donnell shows his cross at the Lynn County Stock Show on Friday, Jan. 26, while the barrow show judge, Steve Bradshaw (far right) looks on. (LCN PHOTO)

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Wilson School Menu

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Breakfast

Monday: Cinnamon Toast, Juice, Milk.
Tuesday: Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Toast, Juice, Milk.

Wednesday: Pancakes, Juice, Milk.
Thursday: Breakfast Pizza, Juice, Milk.
Friday: Blueberry Muffins Juice, Milk.

Lunch

Monday: Cheeseburgers, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Pickles, Fruit, Milk.

Tuesday: Turkey on Toast, Corn, Fruit, (HS-Potato Bar), Milk.

Wednesday: Spaghetti w/Meatballs & Sauce, Tossed Salad, Garlic Bread, Fruit, Milk.

Thursday: Steakfingers, Fries, Gravy, Green Beans, Texas Toast, Milk.

Friday: Beef & Bean Chalupas, Lettuce, Tomato, Peppers, Spanish Rice, Fruit, Milk.

Moczygamba Places At Speaking Event

Candice Moczygamba, a sophomore at Medina High School, placed second in the Senior Creed Contest at the State FFA Leadership Development Contest. The competition was held at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville on Saturday, Dec. 2. There were 552 contestants from 1A through 5A schools competing.

Moczygamba recited a five paragraph FFA creed in front of three judges and then answered three questions for the competition. This is her second year to reach the state level. Last year, she placed tenth.

In addition to serving as reporter for FFA, Moczygamba participates in volleyball and golf, UIL speaking events, and is on the Destination Imagination Team, a part of the gifted and talented program in Medina.

She is the daughter of Randy and Stephanie Moczygamba of Medina and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Cook of Wilson.

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