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## Fun/Food Festival Set Here Saturday

A wide variety of auction items will be offered to the highest bidders at the 21st Annual Lynn County Hospital Auxiliary Fun/Food Festival this Saturday, April 7 at the Lynn County Showbarn.

Scheduled for 5:00 until 8:30 p.m., the fundraiser benefits Lynn County Hospital District, one of the few remaining smaller hospitals which is still independently owned and operated in the South Plains area. Lynn County Hospital Directors and staff invite area residents to come join the fun Saturday night while helping to provide needed equipment for the hospital as well as Lynn County EMS. This year, it is expected that the major portion of funds raised will go towards helping to purchase a new ambulance for Lynn County EMS.

An all-you-can-eat fish fry will be served beginning at approximately 5:30 p.m. Cost of the fish fry is \$4.50 per plate, with members of the Lynn County Hospital Directors and staff and EMS members serving up freshly-fried fish, french fries, hush puppies and cole slaw prepared by

members of the Tahoka Volunteer Fire Department. And for those who don't care for fish, red beans and hush puppies will be offered, festival sponsors say.

It is truly a community effort, with auction items donated by many businesses, organizations and individuals both in Lynn County and surrounding areas, and with various organizations helping with the event that night. Phebe K. Warner Club members will be selling homemade ice cream, and Lynn County 4-H members are providing tea, coffee and cokes for the concession stand, and Tahoka Boy Scouts will help man the concession stand. Baptist Young Women will sell brownies and rice krispie treats.

As always, the main event of the evening is the live auction of the donated items, as well as a silent auction table where bidders may write their bid on a list beside each item. The silent auction begins when doors open at 5 p.m., and the live auction will begin at approximately 6:15 p.m. with Billy Miller as auctioneer. Cal Huffaker and Greg Henley will assist, as will several other volunteers.

Raffle tickets will be sold for \$1 a chance to stay at a Bed and Breakfast in Fredericksburg. The package includes a night's stay at the historic West Main Haus B&B, built in 1869, lunch for two at the Peach Tree Gift Gallery and Tea Room, and shopping discounts at some area stores in Fredericksburg. Drawing for the raffle will be held at the end of the evening.

Door prizes will be given away throughout the evening.



**PARK BENCH AND CHENAULT PRINT** - Lynn County Hospital Auxiliary President Betsy Pridmore is seated on a park bench donated by hospital nurses for this Saturday's Fun/Food Festival, and she holds a framed print donated by artist Bob Chenault. The basket of flowers on the bench was donated by Lack's. The festival will be held at the county showbarn, beginning at 5 p.m. (LCN PHOTO)

## Burglary Of Vehicle, Harassment Reported

Sheriff's officers this week were pursuing leads in a March 24 car burglary at T-Bar Country Club, where someone broke out a window on a 1994 Chevrolet pickup and took a CD player/AM-FM radio combination, valued at \$150. The broken window damage was estimated at \$125. The pickup is owned by Virginia Solorzano of Tahoka.

Tahoka Police arrested two persons for public intoxication, including one Lubbock woman who was driving her car in an area closed for construction on U.S. 87.

A Tahoka woman complained that someone had put two dead ducks on her porch and another on her clothesline. She also said that about a week earlier someone had put a dead rabbit on top of her car.

In jail during the week were nine persons, on these charges: assault causing bodily injury to a family member, driving while intoxicated first offense, DWI second offense, DWI third offense, public intoxication, no auto liability insurance, possession of marijuana, possession and use of unauthorized food stamps under \$200, warrant on possession of marijuana/bond surrender.

During March, dispatchers at the sheriff's office answered 201 calls, including 79 for the City of Tahoka, 94 for the county, two fire calls, 14 ambulance calls and 12 for the City of O'Donnell.

## Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Mar. 28	50	33	.02"
Mar. 29	62	38	
Mar. 30	67	44	
Mar. 31	66	45	
Apr. 1	83	44	
Apr. 2	87	47	
Apr. 3	88	56	
Total Precip. for March: 1.43"			
Total Precip. to date this year: 2.99"			
Precip. this time last year: 5.82"			

## Economic Boost:

# Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation To Open District Office In Tahoka

In what is expected to be a significant economic boost for Tahoka with nine full-time employees and up to 54 seasonal positions, city officials this week approved a contract with the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation to open a district office here.

The Southern High Plains/Caprock Zone Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation signed a three-year lease with the City of Tahoka, to open an office at the former Lynn County Fuel Co-Op property on Hwy. 380 East which the city has purchased. The Tahoka district office is projected to employ nine full-time employees and, eventually, 54 seasonal positions. However, with the first year diapause phase, only 20-25 seasonal employees are needed, foundation officials project.

Patrick Birdsun, representing the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation, met with City of Tahoka council members, Mayor Mike Mensch and City Administrator Jerry Webster at Monday night's council meeting to officially set procedures in motion with a three-year lease contract, and said that the program may continue beyond that time period, depending on weevil conditions in the Caprock Zone.

The eradication program will have 25-35 vehicles operating out of the Tahoka office during the first year of operation, Birdsun told city officials, with more vehicles projected later.

"This number (of vehicles) will increase in the following years to 60-70, as additional personnel are needed for the full season program," Birdsun said. "Area merchants will benefit from associated fuel and maintenance expenses," he added, telling council members that the foundation fully expects to utilize local merchants.

Other direct economic benefits from the eradication program includes the purchase of utilities, telephone, office supplies, and other inputs, Birdsun said. Local merchants may also benefit when training programs are carried out and producer meetings are held at the district office.

The city purchased the former Lynn County Fuel building and surrounding property for \$10,000, completing the purchase at Monday

night's meeting when the Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation officially approved leasing city property for a Tahoka office. The Foundation will be responsible for utilities and routine maintenance of the property, according to City Administrator Jerry Webster, who noted that the city is cleaning and fencing the property but not considering any renovation to the building.

"This is a win-win situation for the city, providing a much-needed economic boost and job opportunities for our local people," Webster told *The News*. "Foundation representatives say they will bring in one person to head the Tahoka office, but all other employees are expected to be filled with local applicants," he said.

The budgeted four-year payroll for the Southern High Plains/Caprock Zone is approximately \$15 million, with about one-eighth being employed in the proposed Tahoka district office, Birdsun said.

"The National Cotton Council estimates that every \$1 in eradication costs returns \$12 to the economy," Birdsun said in an economic impact statement released to the council. "The budget developed for the Southern High Plains/Caprock Boll Weevil Eradication Program projects more than \$105 million in eradication costs for the four-year program. Assuming a benefit to cost ratio of 12:1, the direct economic benefit of the proposed Southern High Plains/Caprock Boll Weevil Eradication Program is \$1.2 billion."

In other business at the city council meeting, the city transferred the city airport agreement from Sam Pridmore (who has retired from Pridmore Flying Service) to Glenn Hogg of Lamesa as the T-Bar Airport fixed base operator. Hogg owns Hogg Flying Service in Lamesa, and agreed to the city's terms.

Council members voted unanimously to cancel the May 5 election as the two council members and mayoral positions are unopposed with incumbents seeking reelection. Mayor Mike Mensch and council members John Chapa Jr. and Amy Preston will be declared reelected to serve another two-year term each, saving the city the cost of conducting an election.

Russell Schrieber of Oller Engineering Inc. presented an update to the council on the wastewater treatment plant project, saying that plans for the proposed facility are being considered for approval by the Texas Water Development Board. Upon approval from the state board, Schrieber said the actual construction phase of the project could begin.

Monthly bills were approved, and Officer Larry Dodd presented a monthly report for the Tahoka Police Department.

All council members and other city officials were present for the meeting.

The day was first divided into 24 equal parts that remain constant-regardless of season or position on the globe-in 1330. This system was created by monks who needed to know what time to start their morning prayers.

## Filing Closes With Three Candidates For Hospital District

The filing period closed Tuesday for the Lynn County Hospital District election, with one challenger and two incumbents vying for the two seats on the board. Incumbents Joe Hays and Dalton Wood are joined by Joan Knox for the three-year terms.

Early voting will be conducted April 18 through May 1, with election day set for Saturday, May 5.

The cumulative voting method is used for the hospital election, which means that with two seats open on the board, two squares will be placed beside each of the three candidates' names on the ballot. Voters may cast two votes, by casting two votes for one candidate of their choice, or one vote for each of two candidates of their choice. The two top vote-getters will be elected.

BLURBS FROM MY e-mail and my real mail:  
From a publication called **The Mayo Clinic Health Letter** (not until I read the title did I realize there is an entire clinic somewhere devoted to sandwich spread):

How to help your teeth last a lifetime (shoot, that's an easy one. Just die before your teeth have time to rot out).

Advances in technology make this hearing aid virtually unnoticeable. (It probably makes it very hard to find once you take it out of your ear).

### From my sister:

If you woke up this morning with more health than illness... you are more blessed than the million who will not survive this week.

If you can attend a church meeting without fear of harassment, arrest, torture or death, you are more blessed than three billion people in the world.

If you have money in the bank, in your wallet and spare change in a dish someplace, you are among the top 8% of the world's wealthy.

Work like you don't need the money; love like you've never been hurt. Dance like nobody's watching, and sing like nobody's listening. Live like it's Heaven on Earth.

I guess she figured I needed all that advice, and she's right.

### From a publication called **Bottom Line**:

Hundreds of crossword puzzles are available online, to print out or solve, grouped by difficulty. [www.crosswordsite.com/uscontent.htm](http://www.crosswordsite.com/uscontent.htm). (I'd have to get the really easy ones; regular crossword puzzles make me feel really dumb).

The number of home fires from candles has doubled over the past decade, say fire-prevention experts. (This probably will get even worse, considering the high cost of utilities these days).

### From the **Texas Historical Commission**:

A program of activities for the 2001 annual historic preservation conference at the Marriott Hotel in Austin. They are meeting April 19-20-21 and I guess anyone who sends in \$20 by April 6 can join in the meetings. Sounds pretty interesting, but historically I don't go to things like this.

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THE GENIUS at Grassland says intelligent people have more zinc and copper in their hair. Al Capone must have been pretty smart; he had lots of coppers in his hair.



**FNB DONATES SHOTGUN FOR AUCTION** - Tahoka First National Bank President John Krey is shown with this Browning 12-gauge shotgun which the bank is donating as an auction item for this Saturday's Fun/Food Festival. The auction, which benefits Lynn County Hospital District and Lynn County EMS, gets underway around 6 p.m. at the Lynn County Showbarn. Krey says the highest bidder for the shotgun may choose to have this 12-gauge or a 20-gauge shotgun. (LCN PHOTO)

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Wilson Volunteer Fire Dept. would like to extend a sincere "Thank You" to all who supported our volunteer's fund raising efforts Sunday, April 1st at the dinner and auction held in Wilson. The fundraiser was a huge success thanks to the support of the entire community and many from all over the county. These funds will be utilized for continued training and much needed equipment. Your overwhelming support makes our volunteer efforts worthwhile and benefits the entire area.

Thanks again for your support!  
Wilson Volunteer Fire Dept.  
"We Volunteer Because We Care!"  
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Dear Editor:

Even the leprechauns are green with envy over Tahoka's response to the Muscular Dystrophy Association's Shamrocks Against Dystrophy campaign. Many thanks to the thousands of people who donated to MDA and signed paper shamrocks in businesses in February and March. Their generous participation in Shamrocks will help MDS continue to provide families affected by neuromuscular diseases in our community with valuable services.

As one of many who has a loved one affected by a neuromuscular disease, I'm genuinely grateful for the caring support of customers and employees at convenience stores, supermarkets, restaurants and other retailers in Tahoka.

The 18th annual Shamrocks Against Dystrophy campaign raised more than \$10 million nationally. Locally, these donations will help fund MDA-sponsored research at the University of Texas.

## Senior Citizens MENU

April 9-13

**Monday:** Chicken Pot Pie, Tossed Salad/Ranch Dressing, Cornbread or Roll, Purple Plums, Cookies.

**Tuesday:** Salisbury Steak, Green Peas, Cauliflower w/Cheese Sauce, Wheat Roll, Pears, Gingerbread.

**Wednesday:** Baked Ham, Navy Beans, Carrots & Zucchini, Tossed Salad/French Dressing, Cornbread, Cobbler.

**Thursday:** Hamburgers, Tater Tots, Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Pickle, Condiments, Apricots.

**Friday:** Chicken Fried Steak, White Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Wheat Roll, Gelatin Cheese-cake.

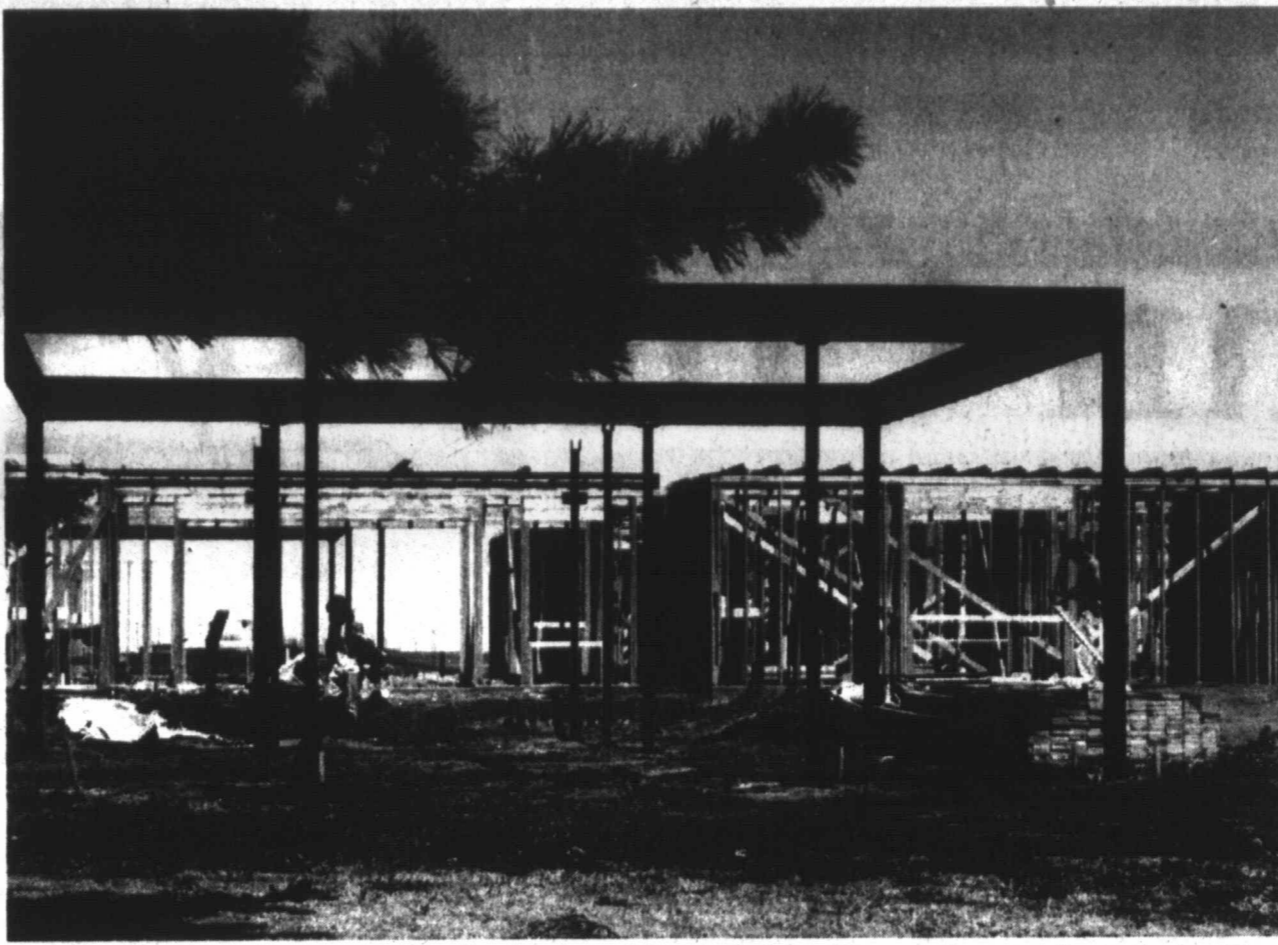
Rite Hospital for Children, Baylor College of Medicine and the University of Houston.

On behalf of the millions of Americans affected in some way by the more than 40 diseases covered by MDA — thank you — and may St. Patrick bless you all year long!

Sincerely,  
Maureen McGovern  
National Chairperson  
MDA Shamrocks Against Dystrophy

Memorials may be made to the AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

at First National Bank of Tahoka, Wilson State Bank or at The First National Bank of O'Donnell



**PROGRESS** — Work continues on the new Lynnwood Assisted Living Center adjacent to Lynn County Hospital in Tahoka, scheduled to open sometime next fall. Susie Sosa will be manager of the facility, and she and Lynn County Hospital Director Dan Powers are working on policies, rules and prices for the center which will have 20 living units for senior citizens. A list of prospective residents is already being taken by the hospital, and anyone interested in being placed on the list to reserve an apartment at the center may call the hospital at 998-4533. (LCN PHOTO)

## Tahoka School Menu

April 9-13 Breakfast

**Monday:** Donuts or Cereal & Toast, Applesauce, Milk.

**Tuesday:** Waffle Sticks or Cereal & Toast, Apple Juice, Milk.

**Wednesday:** Sausage & Pancake Sticks or Cereal & Toast, Fruit Punch Juice, Milk.

**Thursday:** Breakfast Pizza or Cereal & Toast, Grape Juice, Milk.

**Friday:** No School.

Lunch

**Monday:** Steak Fingers w/Gravy, Cream Potatoes, Green Beans, Strawberries, Hot Rolls, Milk.

**Tuesday:** BBQ Burger, Coleslaw, Pinto Beans, Peach Cups, Milk.

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

**Thursday:** Beef & Chili Burrito, Carrot & Celery Sticks, Corn, Mixed Fruit, Milk.

**Friday:** No School.

## Pleasant Grove Baptist To Host 'Crusade 2001'

"Gird yourselves with the armor of God and make yourselves ready for war: 'Prepare for War!' (Joel 3:9) stated Rev. Gloria Moore, pastor of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church of Tahoka.

Pleasant Grove Baptist Church is inviting friends and neighbors to join them in "Crusade 2001: Taking the city for Jesus" to be held at the church on N. 7th and Ave. D in Tahoka beginning Monday, April 9 at 7:00 p.m. through Sunday, April 15th.

"Come and meet our special friend and guest speaker, Evangelist John Wakabi from Uganda, Africa. Come and experience revival, restoration, healing, salvation, and delivering power of God," added Rev. Moore.

For more information, contact Myra Moore at 806-797-8923 or Pastor Gloria Moore at 806-998-9918.

## Obituaries

### Everett Cook

Services for Everett Cook, 80, of Lubbock were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 3 at Broadway Church of Christ Chapel with the Rev. Rodney Plunkett officiating.

Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of White Funeral Home of Lubbock.

He died Saturday, March 31, 2001.

He was born April 1, 1920 in Whitney. He graduated from Draw High School and moved to Lubbock from Lynn County in 1947. He married Dorothy Miles on June 25, 1944 in San Fernando, Calif.

He was the owner and operator of Cook Catering. He retired from Lubbock Glass and Mirror in 1986. He served in the Army during World War II and was a member of the China Burma India for World War II veterans. He was a member of Broadway Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Karen Watkins and Donna Wickard, both of Lubbock; a sister, Lucy Bryan of Wolforth; six grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.



## News from the Tahoka Care Center

by Beverly Zuniga

Resident for the month of April is Homer Hancock. Homer is a retired farmer and has been at the Care Center since 1996. He is enjoyed and loved by everyone. Janie Tijerina is the Employee of the Month. She has been employed in dietary since October 1999. Thanks Janie, good job!

Residents celebrating birthdays in April include Jan Churchill on the 2nd and Hazel Ford on the 8th. Employee birthdays for April include Veronica "Berna" Deleon on the 8th, Lupe Rodriguez on the 14th and Rosa Deleon on the 27th.

Thank you to Brother Lynn Long for his singing talents and love he shared with the residents last Friday.

CNA classes will begin April 5. Thank you to Brother Long and Sweet Street Baptist Church for providing the classroom.

Thank you to Dee Dee Harper for providing bingo prizes and thanks to Villa Craig for her donation to our activities.

"Get Well" to Tahoka Care Center employee Shae Rodriguez. She had minor surgery and we wish her a speedy recovery.

Volunteer Week is April 22-28. If you would like to volunteer for us, please call 998-5018.

## Selmon Named USAA Winner

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

Kyndra, who attends Tahoka High School, was nominated for this national award by Dana Curry, Spanish teacher at the school. Her name will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.

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

## One Withdraws From O'Donnell School Election

One candidate withdrew his name from the slate of candidates for the O'Donnell Independent School District election, leaving five vying for three seats on the board of trustees. Incumbent Travis Mires officially withdrew his name from the race last Friday, school officials said this week. Friday was the last day for candidates to withdraw from the May 5 election.

Early voting will be held April 18-May 1. Candidates whose names will be placed on the OISD ballot include Kenneth Dan Vestal (incumbent), Kirby Williams, Willie Villarreal, Dan Mott and Keri Goad. School trustee terms are for three years.

The O'Donnell city election will most likely be canceled, with the three incumbents unopposed for their seats on the council. Rex Little, Larry Pyron and Max Mendieta will be declared elected for another two-year term, saving taxpayers the cost of holding an election.

## The NEW HOME News by Karon Durham 924-7448

New Home Little Dribblers team had a very busy schedule during the month of March. They have a game on April 9 at New Home. The Minor Tournament will be April 19-21 at Wellman. The Major Tournament will be April 27-28 at Ropes.

New Home schools will be out for Easter on Friday, April 13 and Monday, April 16.

The high school track team competed in district on April 6 at Wolforth. The area track meet will be on Thursday, April 12, the regional track meet will be at Levelland on April 17 and April 28.

Friday, April 6 is the end of the fifth six weeks.

The Mobile Mammogram unit will be in New Home Monday, April 9. A few afternoon appointments are still left. Call Karon Durham at 924-7524.

The monthly school board meeting will be held Monday, April 9 at 8 p.m. in the board room.

There will be a blood drive on Thursday, April 26 from 1-5 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Please set aside a time to come and donate blood. For every pint that is donated, three people are helped.

Elementary Easter parties will be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday, April 12. Each student needs to bring two bags of candy.

Kindergarten pre-registration will be held Friday, April 27 from 3-4 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Each student needs to bring a birth certificate, Social Security card, and an immunization record.



## Give an auction item for the April 7th Lynn County Hospital Fun & Food Festival

Call Carol or Betsy at Lynn County Hospital (806) 998-4533

All proceeds benefit your local hospital & EMS!

## New Home School Menu

April 9-13 Breakfast

**Monday:** French Toast, Milk.

**Tuesday:** Cereal, Graham Crackers, Milk.

**Wednesday:** Donut, Yogurt, Milk.

**Thursday:** Rice Krispie Bars, Milk.

**Friday:** No School.

Lunch

**Monday:** Chicken Fajitas, Cheese Cups, Lettuce, Tomato, Pinto Beans, Celery, Carrot, Pineapple Tidbits, Milk.

**Tuesday:** Stuffed Potato, Broccoli w/ Cheese, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Chocolate Pudding, Milk.

**Wednesday:** Sandwich Bar (Ham & Cheese, Tuna, PBJ), Pickle Spears, Celery, Carrot, Orange Wedges, Apple, Frozen Yogurt, Milk.

**Thursday:** Fish Shapes, Lettuce, Tomato, Fried Okra, Fruit Cup, Macaroni & Cheese, Tarter Sauce, Milk.

**Friday:** No School.

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PICTURE PERFECT — Kourtney and Joshua at the Lynn County Hospital. Kourtney (back) and Joshua (front) are pictured. Not pictured is Phyllis.

## Lynn County Send Phyllis

For the first year, Lynn County Hospital held a county-wide photo contest and held a county-wide photo contest and held a county-wide photo contest. Erik Aagaard served as judge for all of this year's 1st place winners. State 4-H Photography Club do not compete.

"We had an excellent member of the club. These children have a lot of talent. They have learned the basics of picture taking and shown improvement in their pictures," said adult leader for the club.

"Mr. Phil Timmons, physics teacher at Wilson State, has worked with the club. He has not only been teaching them the basics of taking pictures, but also had the opportunity to process film and develop photos at Wilson State."

They really enjoyed the lab and hope to learn more about processing and developing film in the future. The parents are proud of the way the children did. The Lynn County Photo Contest results are:

1st place - Lucky Leaf O'Connell  
2nd place - Color: 1st place - Trevon Gickhorn; 2nd place - Kourtney Henley; 3rd place - Graham Henley; 4th place - Portia Druessedow; 5th place - Freitag, Black and Trevon Gickhorn.

Class 2: Anim place - Brady Evans; 2nd place - Gickhorn; 3rd place - Henley. Also, Kindace Druessedow, Grant, Black and Brady Evans; 2nd place - Gickhorn.

Class 3: Landscape - Color: 1st place - Trevon Gickhorn; 2nd place - Kourtney Henley; 3rd place - Graham Henley.

We want your child to value gifts of creation and faith.



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628-6286  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Jason Gadd

**HUDMAN'S GREENHOUSE IN TAHOKA**  
2124 S. 2nd, Tahoka (BARBARA STICE)  
Will Open This Friday Evening!  
Open Weekdays after 3:00 and all day on Saturdays, through the end of May  
(Open ALL DAY Monday-Saturday beginning in June)

Come Out And Support Our Lynn County Hospital at the 21st Annual Fun & Food Festival  
This Saturday, April 7th from 5:00-8:30 p.m. at the Lynn County Showbarn!

The First National Bank of Tahoka believes in our community and is thankful for the Lynn County Hospital, doctors and staff.

We urge all citizens to come out and show their support.

First National Bank offers many services, including:  
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**PICTURE PERFECT** - These young 4-H members took first place honors at the Lynn County Photography Contest, March 22. Winners were (back) Kourtney Sodd, Brady Evans, Gretchen Henley, Graham Henley and (front) Joshua Freitag, Trevor Gickhorn, and Kindace Gickhorn. Not pictured is Portia Grant. (LCN PHOTO)

## Lynn County 4-H Members Send Photos To State Contest

For the first year, Lynn County 4-H offered photography as a project and held a county contest on March 22, at the Wilson High School Library. Erik Aagaard of Lubbock served as judge for the contest, with all of this year's Lucky Leaf Club first place winners advancing to the State 4-H Photography Contest this summer. Winners in the Clover Leaf Club do not compete at state.

"We had an excellent response from the Lucky Leaf Club and had one member of the Clover Leaf Club. These children have taken many rolls of film in search of that perfect picture. They have learned some of the basics of picture taking and all have shown improvement in the quality of their pictures," said Roxanne Evans, adult leader for the project.

"Mr. Phil Timons, the photography teacher at Wilson High School, has worked with them on many occasions," added Mrs. Evans. "They have not only been taught better picture taking techniques, but they have also had the opportunity to get in the photo lab at Wilson High School with Mr. Timons where they learned how to process film and develop pictures. They really enjoyed the time in the lab and hope to learn how to do their own processing and developing in the future. The parents learned a little along the way as well."

The Lynn County 4-H Photography Contest results are as follows: Lucky Leaf Club: **Class 1: People:** Color: 1st place-Trevor Gickhorn; 2nd place-Brady Evans; 3rd place-Kourtney Sodd. Also competing, Graham Henley, Kindace Druessedow, Portia Grant, and Joshua Freitag. Black and White: 1st place-Trevor Gickhorn.

**Class 2: Animals:** Color: 1st place-Brady Evans; 2nd place-Trevor Gickhorn; 3rd place-Graham Henley. Also competing were Kindace Druessedow and Portia Grant. Black and White: 1st place-Brady Evans; 2nd place-Trevor Gickhorn.

**Class 3: Landscape and Scenic:** Color: 1st place-Trevor Gickhorn; 2nd place-Kourtney Sodd; 3rd place-Graham Henley. Also competing

were Joshua Freitag, Kindace Druessedow, Portia Grant, and Brady Evans. Black and white: 1st place-Graham Henley; 2nd place-Trevor Gickhorn.

**Class 4: Flora and Plants:** Color: 1st place-Trevor Gickhorn; 2nd place-Brady Evans; 3rd place-Joshua Freitag. Kourtney Sodd also competed in this division. Black and White: 1st place-Trevor Gickhorn.

**Class 5: Humor:** Color: 1st place-Graham Henley; 2nd place-Kourtney Sodd; 3rd place-Trevor Gickhorn. Also competing were Joshua Freitag and Brady Evans. Black and White: 1st place-Trevor Gickhorn.

**Class 6: Promote 4-H:** Color: 1st place-Joshua Freitag; 2nd place-Kourtney Sodd; 3rd place-Portia Grant. Also competing were Brady Evans and Trevor Gickhorn. Black and White: No entry.

**Class 7: Career Photos:** Color: 1st place-Kourtney Sodd. Black and White: No entry.

**Class 8: Digital Photography:** Color: 1st place-Kindace Druessedow. Black and White: No entry.

Clover Leaf Club: Gretchen Henley took first place in Landscape and Scenic (color and black and white), Flora and Plants (color) and Animals (color).

There will be a display of the 4-H member's photos set up at Wilson State Bank in Wilson and Tahoka, at Wilson Coop Gin and at First National Bank of Tahoka.

"We hope that you will take the time to see what a wonderful job these children have done this year," said Mrs. Evans.

"We have plans to continue our photography project next year and to expand on picture taking techniques and developing techniques. We hope that Mr. Timons and Mr. Aagaard will once again be able to work with these young kids as they grow and develop," she added.

### Teachers' Guide Now Available

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) has developed a new publication titled "Teachers' Guide to Environmental Education Resources." The guide lists numerous free brochures, posters, publications, programs, and resources for educators.

This resource was developed to share the wealth of materials with teachers, school administrators, parents, and others interested in environmental education. It includes information on school recycling, composting, air and water quality, solid waste, and many other environmental issues.

Many of the publications listed in the guide were designed for the classroom and are adaptable to numerous subject areas and age levels.

"The guide is a great resource for teachers who want to incorporate environmental education into their lesson plans," said Mary Kelley, Education Coordinator with the TNRCC.

The guide is available on the TNRCC web site at [www.tnrcc.state.tx.us](http://www.tnrcc.state.tx.us) (click on "publications") or by calling (512) 239-0012.

**A fanatic is one who can't change his mind and won't change the subject.**  
—Attributed to Winston Churchill

## Tahoka School News

by Tahoka High School Growl Staff

### Varsity Girls Track

by Sarah Hawthorne

The varsity girls traveled to New Deal Friday, May 9.

The 800 m relay, Marissa Chapa, Kyndra Selmon, Kirsten Tillman, and Kammie Williams placed second.

The mile relay, Sarah Hawthorne, Selmon, Crystal Mosley, and Williams placed third.

Tillman placed third in triple jump.

They also traveled to Seminole Saturday, March 24.

The girls that participated were: Tillman, Chapa, Kalah Bartley, Victoria Charo, Christina Marquez, Britni Engle, Chelsey Miller, Williams, Selmon, Mosley, Keely Boone, Tonya Elrod, Hawthorne, Ashley McNeely, Lana Jones, and Meredith Pittman.

The varsity girls ran at Sunday Saturday, March 31.

The sprint relay placed third. Runners were Kammie Williams, Marissa Chapa, Kyndra Selmon, and Kirstin Tillman.

The girls run next at Plains on Saturday, April 7.

### 7th Girls Track

by Kalah Bartley

The 7th girls tore up the Sundown track meet on March 24th.

Receiving 1st places were Cathryn Reno - 100m dash, Brandi Raindl - 300m hurdles, Carissa Hall, Porscha Mitchell, Christyn Chapa, and Nacona Martinez - 400m Relay, and Samantha Andrews, Mitchell, Chapa and Martinez - 800m Relay.

Meghan Saldana received 2nd place in the high jump.

Third place finishers were Carissa Hall - long jump, and Raindl - 100m hurdles.

Fourth place finishers were Raindl - triple jump and high jump, Kim Solorzano - 800m dash, and Reno - 200m dash.

Bianca Gutierrez placed 5th in the 2400m run.

Sixth place finishers were Ashley Pendleton - 2400m run, Martinez - triple jump, Stacie Green - 800m run, and Chapa - 200m dash.

The girls will travel to New Deal on April 5th to compete in the District meet.

### 8th Girls Track

by Jessica Stephens

The eighth-grade girls competed in the Sundown track meet on March 29.

Julee Meador placed 1st in the high jump. Angie Curtis placed 1st in triple jump, long jump, and 200 meter dash.

Julee placed 2nd in the triple jump. The 400m dash relay team of Skylar Owens, Julee, Krista Norwood, and Angie placed 2nd. This relay team also placed 2nd in the 800m dash.

Skylar placed 3rd in the high jump and long jump.

Julee took home fourth place in the 400 meter dash. Krista ranked the same in the 200-meter dash and in the long jump. Skylar placed fourth in the 100-meter hurdles.

Ashdon Hancock threw for fifth place in discus.

Jessica Antu placed sixth in the 2400 meter run.

### JV Boys Track

by Kyndel Byrd

The JV boys competed in the track meet at Sundown, March 31.

The JV 400-meter relay placed fourth. The relay consisted of JJ Scott, Hunter Blessingame, Michael DeLeon, and Tyler Hawthorne.

B.J. Andrews placed fourth in the 400-meter dash.

JJ Scott placed fifth in the 100-meter dash.

### U.I.L.

by Carrie Gregory

Casey Jones and Kristi Campbell will be participating in the Regional U.I.L. meet on April 20-21. Jones will compete in Number Sense after placing 1st in District. Campbell will compete in Science after placing 3rd in District.

Several people placed at District, but are not advancing to Regionals. These people include Kalah Bartley, 4th in News Writing; Nina Follis, 5th in Poetry Interpretation; Amy McAfee, 6th in Persuasive Speaking; Leigh McAfee, 6th in Literary Criticism; D'Lynn Stone, 7th in

Computer Applications; and Brandi Tekell, 6th in Poetry Interpretation. The teams that placed are Literary Criticism and Spelling and Vocabulary. The Literary Criticism team includes Solana Agüero, Leigh McAfee, Aubrey Kieth, Sarah Hawthorne, and alternate D'Lea Autry. The Spelling and Vocabulary team includes Cristal Amador, Kyndra Selmon, Nicole Green, Randy Chapa, and Solana Agüero. Both teams placed 2nd at District.

The other participants that engaged in U.I.L. events include D'Lea Autry, Prose Interpretation; Keely Boone, Headline Writing; Kyle Bueermann, Current Issues & Events and Informative Speaking; Kyndel Byrd, Headline Writing, Ready Writing, and alternate for News Writing; Kristi Campbell, Ready Writing; Victoria Charo, Poetry Interpretation; Tonya Elrod, Number Sense and Science; Cory Gardner, Headline Writing; Corey Green, alternate for Prose Interpretation and Number Sense; Carrie Gregory, Feature Writing; Kalesse Hammonds, Prose Interpretation; Ashanti Hood, Calculator Applications; Casey Jones, News Writing and Feature Writing; Lana Jones, alternate for Ready Writing; Lance Lankford, Current Issues and Events; Jon Luna, Persuasive Speaking; Dianna Marquez, Computer Applications and alternate for Number Sense; Ashley McNeely, alternate for Informative Speaking, Persuasive Speaking and Poetry Interpretation; Chelsey Miller, Prose Interpretation and Editorial Writing; Keiva Norwood, Calculator Applications and Computer Applications; Bradley Paschal, Number Sense; Shea Pridmore, alternate for Calculator Applications; Mandy Sanders, Ready Writing and Science; Jessica Stephens, Editorial Writing; Mindi Tejada, Informative Speaking and Current Issues and Events; and Kammie Williams, Editorial Writing.

### Middle School U.I.L.

by Casey Jones

Several students represented their school well and competed in the Middle School U.I.L. Academic Meet held in Post on March 6.

Overall, 13 students ended up finishing in the top six places in their respective events during the competition.

Top honors went to both Cade Miller, first place in eighth grade Oral Reading; and to Samantha Andrews, first place in seventh grade Oral Reading.

Other eighth grade top finishers include: Cassidy Gandy, 2nd Ready Writing; Miller, 2nd Modern Oratory and 3rd Maps, Graphs, and Charts; Sarah Box, 2nd Oral Reading and 5th Ready Writing; Robert Baker, 4th Modern Oratory; Monte Jolly, 5th Math; Sarah Botkin, 6th Calculator; and Delci Willis, 6th Oral Reading.

Seventh grade award winners include the following: Meghan Saldana, 2nd Spelling; Jessica Wilson, 2nd Oral Reading; Callie Botkin, 3rd Modern Oratory, 4th Ready Writing and 5th Impromptu Speaking; Andrews, 3rd Modern Oratory; Brandi Raindl, 3rd Oral Reading and 4th Modern Oratory; and Shelley Gandy, 6th Science.

### Baseball

by Casey Jones

The Tahoka Bulldogs boys baseball team attained their first district victory of the season with a dominating 11-6 win over the New Deal Lions on Friday, March 23.

The overall record now stands at 8-6 with a 1-0 mark in district play.

On Friday, March 30, Tahoka notched their second district win with a one-hit pitching gem from Martin Garza to give the Dogs a 5-1 victory over the Idalou Wildcats. Matthew Benavides batted 2-3 for the game with two RBI's.

On March 20, the Bulldogs made another move up in the standings with a hard fought 8-6 victory over Lamesa.

The Bulldogs also took part in the Plainview Tournament from March 15-17. The Bulldogs however dropped all four of the games they played during the tournament action.

The Bulldogs will step back onto the field and out of the dugout this week with road game at Ralls on Tuesday, April 3, and a home contest against Post on Friday. Both games will start at 5:00.



**GUY STUFF** - Lynn County Hospital employee Jim Morris, left, is donating a stereo speaker system for this Saturday's Fun/Food Fest, and Physical Therapist Kyle Sodd holds a Skil Saw donated by the Home Depot for the auction. A concrete bird bath, shown in center, has been donated by the hospital's lab and x-ray department personnel. (LCN PHOTO)

### This Tennis

by Brandi Tekell

The Tahoka tennis team competed Friday, March 30 and Saturday, March 31 at Brownfield. Clayton Chancy and Cory Gardner took 4th place in boys' doubles. Lezli Gandy and Lesley Chapa placed 3rd in girls' doubles.

Other competitors were Casey Jones, Kyle Bueermann, Stephen Brookshire, and Randy Chapa. Their next tournament will be Tuesday, April 3 and Wednesday, April 4 at Sundown for district.

### High School OAP

by Robyn Lewis

Tahoka High competed in district one act play contest on March 24. The play "Up the Down Staircase" was named alternate.

Nina Follis and Kalesse Hammonds were named to the All-Star Cast. Leigh McAfee and Kalah Bartley received Honorable Mention All-Star Cast.

Cast includes Randy Chapa, Mindi Tejada, Malena Carrasco, Lezli Gandy, Britni Engle, Victoria Charo, Cristal Amador, Kirsten Tillman, Chris Engle, Warren Baker, and D'Lea Autry.

The crew was Analisa Balderas, Kelsce Cloe, Eusevio Resendez and J.C. Garza. Alternates were Corey Green, Ashley McNeely, Amy McAfee, and Dianna Marquez.

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## Tahoka's Klyssa Kelln Attends Washington, D.C. Conference

Klyssa Kelln of Tahoka, attended the National Young Leaders Conference (NYLC) March 13-18 in Washington, D.C. This unique leadership development program invites high school students — based on scholastic merit, community involvement, and leadership contributions — to interact with today's national leaders. NYLC scholars work through many issues facing the nation today through a series of simulations and meet face-to-face with members of the U.S. Congress or their staff as well as other influential personalities.

"The National Young Leaders Conference inspires exceptional high school students like Klyssa to take leadership initiative, to face challenges head-on and to gain confidence in making positive changes in their communities and throughout the world," said Michael Lasday, executive director of the Congressional Youth Leadership Council (CYLC), the organization that sponsors the NYLC.

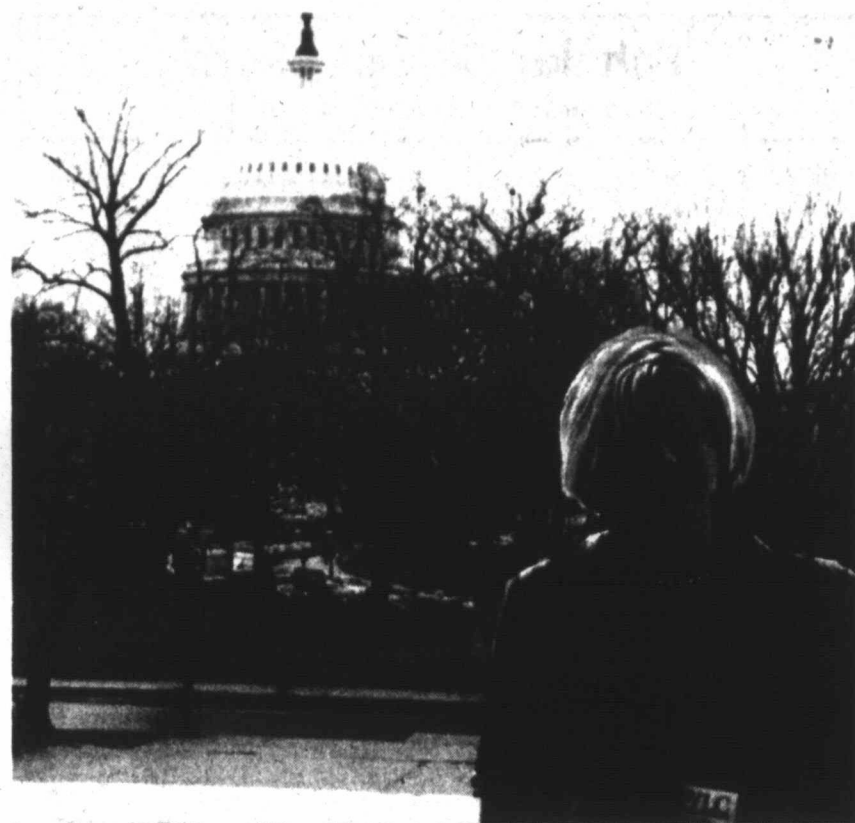
Christie Whitman, Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency and former Governor of New Jersey, addressed the NYLC, speaking both on leadership and her concerns for the environment. She told the students, "You are all attending the National Young Leaders Conference because you are talented and determined. One thing I hope you learn is that we all must be committed to serve our communities and our country. As elected officials and responsible citizens, we must be stewards of the land. We have an obligation to leave Mother Earth better off than when we came into the world. Every one of you has the potential to make a difference," she concluded. "You can do so simply by coaching an athletic team, volunteering on a community project, supporting a local political candidate or running for public office. Let no one dissuade you from this pursuit."

Also, U.S. Representative Tammy Baldwin of Wisconsin welcomed the students to the floor of the

U.S. House of Representatives, an honor usually reserved for members of Congress and their special guests. The students filled the chamber where the State of the Union Address takes place. Congresswoman Baldwin told the students, "A little over two years ago, I had my first opportunity to set foot in this great room. It was called 'Freshman Orientation' and I felt electric at the realization that all the hard work that went into my campaign had resulted in my being here." She drew upon her experiences as a volunteer and intern that energized her to run for public office, and urged the students to pursue their interests and curiosities in government. "I encourage you to address your concerns on the local level within your communities because it is an extraordinary experience that will equip you with knowledge and assurance that you can all affect positive change."

Because leadership goes beyond what happens on Capitol Hill, Kelln had the opportunity to interact with a panel of renowned journalists at the National Press Club, including Ruby Bailey (*Detroit Free Press*), Barbara Bradley (*National Public Radio*) and Clarence Page (*Chicago Tribune*). Students were given the chance to ask questions regarding national and international current events, as well as for advice and perspective on how to start a career in journalism.

When asked for her thoughts concerning the week, Klyssa replied, "It was one of the greatest experiences of my life. The knowledge I gained from the conference went far beyond government policies and actions, it also boosted my initiative, confidence and independence. People from all over the country, with different backgrounds, beliefs, and cultures came together for one week and we were all the same. We exhibited a show of equal rights that would amaze even the most gifted scholars, teachers, or politicians. I truly believe that many people I spent the week with will be the leaders of tomorrow."



**CAPITOL VISIT** — Klyssa Kelln, a senior at Tahoka High School, spent her recent spring break at the National Young Leaders Conference in Washington, D.C. meeting with members of the U.S. Congress or their staff as well as other influential personalities.

## Rural Communities Will Be Hard Hit By Proposed Legislation Intended To Prevent State Water Crisis

(Editor's Note: The following article was printed in "The Messenger" newspaper in Stanton, provided to the Lynn County News by local resident Jay Dee House, who warns local farmers to be aware of a proposed water bill legislation which could hit area farmers and communities hard.)

Farmers and ranchers across Texas will pay a users fee to the state that will be used to help urban areas find and distribute water supplies.

Rural counties will have no control over larger counties and cities mining their water and piping it back to urban areas — if those bigger entities owned the land before March 1, 2001.

The right or rule of capture will no longer be the law of the land — instead, the rule will be interpreted on a case by case basis, possibly by water district boards.

An annual fee of \$1 would be imposed on every man, woman and child in Texas as part of a legislative proposal to raise nearly \$17 billion over 50 years for reservoirs, pipelines and other water projects.

Of the \$17 billion, 80 percent would go to urban interests, 10 percent would be used for administrative costs and the remaining 10 percent would be used for rural water needs.

Senate Bill 2, filed by Sen. Buster Brown (R-Lake Jackson) would levy state sales taxes on household sewage and water bills, which are exempt now from such taxes.

And it would impose annual fees on farmers, ranchers, industrial plants and other holders of surface water rights. The money would be used to meet the state's water needs during the next half-century, during which time population is expected to double.

Local producers are simply devastated by the news, saying it couldn't be worse for people in agriculture and it's the small rural communities in Texas that will be hit the hardest.

"A water crisis is when demand exceeds supply," said Brown, who chairs the Natural Resources Committee. "This Senate Bill 2 is to avoid a crisis. If a person drinks water or eats food, they ought to care."

The proposal could face a tough political ride. The Legislature is about to undertake redistricting, an exercise that puts many lawmakers in a defensive posture.

Voting for new fees and taxes could be seen as providing ammunition for re-election opponents.

Supporters nonetheless predict the bill will pass, noting that the money could help finance such projects as an \$800 million to \$1 billion proposal to pipe Colorado River

water to San Antonio.

"We'll pass a bill, and I think it'll be a good bill. I don't know that it'll have everything in it that we want," said Rep. Ron Lewis (D-Mauriceville) who filed an identical measure in the House.

Brown and Lewis worked together four years ago to win passage of SB1, which launched regional planning for long-term water needs.

That legislative victory benefited greatly from the backing of then Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, who conceived the idea for a broad-ranging water bill.

Although Bullock has since died, the sequel to SB 1 enjoys significant political support.

The proposal was endorsed, at least in principle, by Agriculture Secretary Susan Combs, several legislators and leaders of the state's environmental, water and wildlife agencies.

The measure goes well beyond financial matters. It would establish a seven-member Texas Water Policy Council to decide which water projects deserve top priority.

It would give greater legal protection to the benefits streams and rivers provide for fish, wildlife and coastal ecology. It would reduce regulatory obstacles to the transfer of surface water and ground water to places most in need.

And it would give ground water districts broader powers to override the rule of capture, a century-old legal principle that lets landowners pump their wells with little regard for the effect on other landowners' wells, springs and streams.

The most contentious provisions of the bill are certain to be those dealing with money. The measure is intended to raise \$16.95 billion.

That is what the Texas Water Development Board, after reviewing 16 regional plans, concluded would be needed for dams, pipelines, brush control, desalination, cloud seeding and other projects during the next 50 years.

Money would flow primarily from three sources into a proposed water infrastructure fund, from which it would be doled out in the form of loans and grants.

Counties would pay \$1 per resident annually. It would be up to the counties to collect the fees. This provision would raise about \$21 million in the first year and more as population increases. Revenue from extending the state sales tax, which is 6.25 percent, to water and wastewater services would be earmarked for the fund. It would raise nearly \$100 million in the first year, Brown said.

Water-rights holders would pay 50 cents per acre-foot annually for industrial use, 10 cents for agricultural use and 50 cents for other uses. Municipal uses would be exempt.

An acre-foot is the amount of water covering an acre to a depth of one foot, or about 326,000 gallons. Brown had no estimate for how much money this would raise.

Other highlights of the proposed water bill would:

- Give greater protection to fish, wildlife, bays and estuaries that are dependent on freshwater flows.
- Reduce regulatory obstacles to the transfer of ground water and surface water from one area to another.
- Allow ground water districts to regulate spacing and production of wells.

## Ag Meeting Set April 9 In Lubbock

America's system of independent, family-operated farms and ranches is facing dangers today more serious than any time since the farm crisis of the early 1980's. The agricultural crisis is driven by world economic problems leading to extraordinary low farm prices across the board. The results have been dramatic, forcing many farmers to leave the business this year, and raising farm debt and lowering net worth for most other farmers nationwide. Yet, while farm prices have plummeted, consumer food prices have not. At the same time, the agricultural supply and food processing, wholesaling and retailing industries are undergoing consolidation at a rapid pace. The trends portend a threat to competitive markets and competitive prices to the detriment of farmers and consumers alike.

On Monday, April 9, a public meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. at the Koko Palace, 5101 Ave. Q in Lubbock. Lawful obligations, requiring the federal government to protect agriculture, but which have not been enforced in many years, will be discussed. Understanding the legal obligations of government embodied in statutes enacted by Congress, such as 7 U.S.C. 601, 602, 1301, 5671 and others are said to be critical to the future survival of agriculture. These obligations of government toward agriculture, imposed by these statutes, but which the President has failed to enforce, will be brought into focus.

"These statutes, when enforced, will place farmers, ranchers, and consumers on an equitable economic

footing with the other segments of our economy i.e.; higher prices in the market place that takes into account ever increasing costs of production. These same statutes, which are current code and 'law of the land,' and which government uses every day to regulate and control agriculture and bargain its use away in agreements couched under foreign affairs, also mandates government to perform specific obligations for the protection of agriculture. At his meeting you will learn what these obligations are, how government agencies are being called to task to answer for their failure to act under their statutory and constitutional duties to protect the production property rights of agriculture and its citizens and what you can do to help," sponsors say.

Speakers at the meeting will include the Plaintiffs in the "Four Farmers Case," Eugene Schroder, Russell Grider, Ed Petrosky and Wesley Meyers. Also speaking will be Dr. Walker Todd, who is lead counsel for the Plaintiffs. Dr. Todd is a former Legal Counsel and Monetary Affairs Lawyer for the Federal Reserve Bank of New York and the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland. He also served as a negotiator for the U.S. during the Iran Hostage Crisis. Dr. Todd currently teaches law at Cleveland State University as well as maintaining a private practice.

Knowledge of these constitutionally mandated requirements are the result of extensive legal research by these farmers and their legal counsel, and is the basis of a federal lawsuit currently pending decision before the U.S. 10th Circuit Court of Appeals in Denver. Farmers are encouraged to bring their legal counsel, bankers and county commissioners to this meeting.

**John Le Carre is the pen name of David John Moore Cornwell.**

### REQUESTS FOR QUALIFICATIONS NUMBER 0100

The Lynn County Commissioners Court is seeking proposals from qualified architects for the design of a 48 bed jail facility to be constructed within an existing metal building located in Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas. This is a Construction Management Project. The Construction Manager is Dinosaur Valley Construction, Inc., Glen Rose, Texas.

All interested architects shall submit five (5) copies of the firm's qualifications, a list of completed detention projects and a list of all projects that are currently in progress. Also to be included is a list of all references for the projects, and details of the architect's experience in working on Construction Management projects.

You must also show an on-going working relationship with the Texas Commission on Jail Standards on similar projects.

Qualifications will be received by the County Judge's office until 10:00 A.M., April 23, 2001. At that time, they will be verified as to arrival and the Commissioner's Court will review the qualifications with the Construction Manager at a later time. After being reviewed, the qualifications will be made public.

All submittals should be sent to the Honorable J.F. Brandon, P.O. Box 1256, Courthouse Square, Tahoka, Texas 79373.

Lynn County reserves the right to reject any and/or all submittals. All submittals will become the property of Lynn County and will not be returned. 12-2c

### NOTICE OF TAHOKA ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION REGENTES)

To the Registered Voters of Tahoka I. S. D. Precinct 1, 2 & 5, Texas: (A los votantes registrados del Tahoka I.S.D. Precincto 1, 2, 5 Texas.)

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Lynn County Court House (Lynn County Palacio de Justicia), Courthouse Square, Tahoka, Texas between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. beginning on April 18, 2001 (entre las 8 de la mañana y las 5 de la tarde empezando el 18 de Abril 2001) and ending on May 1, 2001. (y terminando el 1 Mayo 2001.)

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(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el 27 de Abril 2001.)

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**GARAGE SALE:** Saturday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. 1801 Ave. L. Lots of miscellaneous. 14-1tc

**GIANT GARAGE SALE:** 1629 North 6th. Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Teen girl's clothes, futon, twin bed comforter set, large mens and ladies clothes, shoes, iron, bean bag chair, and tons of miscellaneous. Karen Kellin. 14-1tp

**GARAGE SALE:** April 7, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. 1003 Doak Street, O'Donnell. Girl's clothing, toys, baby stuff, etc. 14-1tc

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Some believe that an emerald will calm storms at sea.

## Card of Thanks

Dear Friends,  
Thank you for your cards, visits and flowers while I was in the hospital and my recovery at home. Most of all "Thanks" for your love, concern and prayers. God bless all of you.  
Maurice Huffaker  
14-1tp

I want to thank everyone for your calls, gifts, visits and most of all, thank you so much for your prayers while I have been sick. I am blessed to have such a wonderful family and caring friends. I love you all. Please continue to pray for me.  
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**NOTICE OF FLUORIDE LEVEL IN WATER**  
The City of Wilson has been notified by the Texas Department of Health that the water being supplied by our system exceeds the maximum constituent level for fluoride established by the department's "Safe Drinking Water Act."  
The samples of water from the Wilson system contain 4.1 milligrams of fluoride per liter, and the department requires the city to notify all customers. There is no immediate health hazard for drinking water containing fluoride at this level except that it could cause mottling (brown stain) on the teeth of children under 14 years of age.  
All the dentists in this area are aware of the fluoride level.  
The City will continue to search for alternate sources of supply and will investigate any available treatment techniques to lower the level of our fluoride if they are affordable at all.  
Bottled water is available for families with children under the age of 14 years at the City Office at no cost.  
Roy Isham, Superintendent  
City of Wilson Water System  
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**NEW HOME SCHOOLS GIFTED AND TALENTED PROGRAM**  
New Home Schools are now planning for our Gifted and Talented Program for the 2001-2002 school year. This program is designed for students with exceptional intellectual and creative thinking abilities. We are now in the process of identifying students who might qualify for this program.  
All students enrolled in New Home Schools are eligible for nomination. A child may be nominated for this program in a variety of ways. He/she may be nominated by a parent, teacher, community member, peer, or by self-nomination. A selection committee made up of New Home professional educators will review a collection of information on each student nominated and will determine which students will qualify for the Gifted and Talented Program.  
You will need to fill out a nomination form (available at New Home High School) for your child or any other student. Forms must be completed by Tuesday, April 17.  
If you have questions, please call 924-7543.  
**Programa para los Talentosos de la Escuela de New Home**  
La escuela de New Home esta planeando para nuestra Programa para los Talentosos para el ano 2001-2002. Esta programa esta designada para los estudiantes con intelectual excepcional y habilidad de pensamiento creativo. Estamos en el proceso de identificando a los estudiantes que podran ser parte de esta programa.  
Todos los estudiantes de new Home son elegibles para nominacion. Un niño puede ser nominado para esta programa en varias manedras. El/Ella puede ser nominado por un pariente, maestro, miembro del comunidad, persona de la misma edad, or por el solamente. Un comision de educadores profesionales de new Home revisaran una coleccion de informacion de cada estudiante nominado y determinadan cuales estudiantes seran calificados para la Programa para los Talentosos.  
Necesitan llenar un formulario (aprovechable en la Escuela de New Home) para su hijo o otro estudiantes. Formularios necesitan ser completados antes de Martes, el 17 de abril.  
Si tienen preguntas, por favor de llamar 924-7543.  
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**MUSTANG TRACK TEAM** - These young men are representing Wilson Junior High during this year's track season. They are (from left) Landon Wilke, Jared West, Nick Simmons, Joshua Schwartz, R.J. Lindsey and Kyler Livingston.

**The Wilson News**  
by Buster Abbe • 628-6368

**Wilson Volunteer Tip of the Week:** Members of the Wilson Volunteer Fire Department would like to express their thanks to all the folks that came out to enjoy the annual ham and sausage dinner and auction this past Sunday. A great crowd turned out to enjoy all the food and fun. A special thanks to all the donors who provided goods and services for the meal and the auction, and a special thanks to Melvin Edwards for his auctioneering skills.

Don't forget the baked potato lunch, sponsored by the youth of the Wilson First Baptist Church, scheduled for this Sunday, April 8. The meal will consist of baked potatoes, several types of toppings, dessert and a drink. The cost of the meal will be a free will offering, with all the proceeds going to fund various youth activities.

It's book fair time again, and the display of books and posters available for sale is set up in the Wilson School Library. Students may have set times to review the selections and there are designated free times for students to go by and make their selections. Parents and others who will pay for the items are reminded to add sales tax to the cost of the item.

Wilson schools will be closed April 13-16 for the Easter weekend. School will dismiss at the regular time on Thursday and re-open on Tuesday, April 17 at the regular time.

The Wilson School Board will meet in regular session at 7 p.m. on April 12 in the school cafeteria.

The Wilson Mustang Band will be participating at Sundown in a District UIL contest on Wednesday, April 11.

Mr. Acosta and the Wilson Spanish students will have their Spanish field trip on Thursday, April 12.

Wilson junior high track team members participated in a track meet at Wellman. Joshua Schwartz took home 1st in the shot put, 2nd in the discus and 5th in the 100 meter run. Others competing on the boys team were Landon Wilke, Jared West, Nick Simmons, R.J. Lindsey and Kyler Livingston. Competing for the Lady Mustangs were Leticia Hernandez, Ana Sanders, Sarah Bednarz and Joline Martinez.

There will be a Booster Club meeting at 7 p.m. on Monday, April 9 in the school cafeteria. The group will be working on plans for the UIL Banquet and will be discussing plans for next year. "The Booster Club supports all of our high school and junior high students and we need all parents of these students to help us in our efforts," said one member. "With everyone's help we could make a big difference in our school. Please join us Monday night."

Three Wilson students are to advance to the Regional UIL meet late this month. Kameron Livingston placed 2nd in Editorial Writing, Jamie Cavender placed 2nd in Current Events, and Miguel Ortega placed in the Physics portion of the Science competition.

Two students placed in the district meet but will not advance to regional competition. Chris Vasek was 5th in Computer Science and Carla Pabon was 4th in Editorial Writing.

Cheerleading tryouts will be held at 8 a.m. on April 12. The paperwork for those students wishing to tryout is due on April 6 at 3:45 p.m. Family and friends of the students trying out are welcome to attend the tryout session.

Yearbooks for the 2000-2001 school year are currently being pre-sold. Anyone wanting a yearbook should contact a journalism student or Mrs. Dakroub. The price of the yearbook is \$20; a \$10 deposit is required to reserve a book. The balance due will be collected when yearbooks are delivered (or the amount may be paid in full upon reservation). Also, previous yearbooks are available at a lower cost. The 1999-2000 yearbook is \$15 and all preceding years are \$5 each.

Wilson Elementary will host an Easter Egg Hunt at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 12. Students from Pre-K through fifth grade will participate. Toddlers that are not yet school age are invited to hunt eggs, by registering in front of the elementary building at 2 p.m. All children participating in the hunt must bring one dozen candy or plastic filled eggs (no chocolate eggs please). Students should give their eggs to their homeroom teacher. For more information, contact Mrs. Bowen at 628-6201.

The Wilson Elementary Student Council will host a Carne Quisada Dinner on Sunday, April 22 in the school cafeteria. The meal will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and the menu consist of carne quisada, beans, rice, salad, chips and salsa, iced tea, and dessert. Cost is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under. Proceeds will be used for school-sponsored field trips and school beautification projects.

**Wilson School Menu**

- April 9-13 Breakfast**  
**Monday:** Donuts, Juice, Milk.  
**Tuesday:** Pancakes, Juice, Milk.  
**Wednesday:** Sausage & Eggs, Toast, Juice, Milk.  
**Thursday:** French Toast Sticks, Juice, Milk.  
**Friday:** No School.  
**Lunch**  
**Monday:** Mustang Dudes, Lettuce, Tomato, Fries, Fruit, Milk.  
**Tuesday:** Tacos, Pinto Beans, Fruit, (HS-Salad Bar), Milk.  
**Wednesday:** Ravioli, Salad, Corn, Rice Krispie Treats, (HS-Sausage Wraps), Milk.  
**Thursday:** Pizza, Salad, Crackers, Fruit, Milk.  
**Friday:** No School.



**LADY MUSTANGS** - These young ladies are representing Wilson Junior High during this year's track season. They are (from left) Leticia Hernandez, Ana Sanders, Sarah Bednarz, and Joline Martinez.



**STUDENTS OF THE MONTH** - Erin Mendez (left) and Kameron Livingston (right) have been named Students of the Month for Wilson Elementary and Wilson High School respectively. Erin is in Pre-K and Kameron is a senior.

There are currently four sources of money for the Rainy Day Fund: the oil production tax, the natural gas severance tax, the unencumbered General Revenue Fund balance and legislative appropriations. To date, there have been seven natural gas severance tax transfers, one oil production tax transfer, one unencumbered balance transfer and the Legislature has never appropriated money to the Rainy Day Fund.

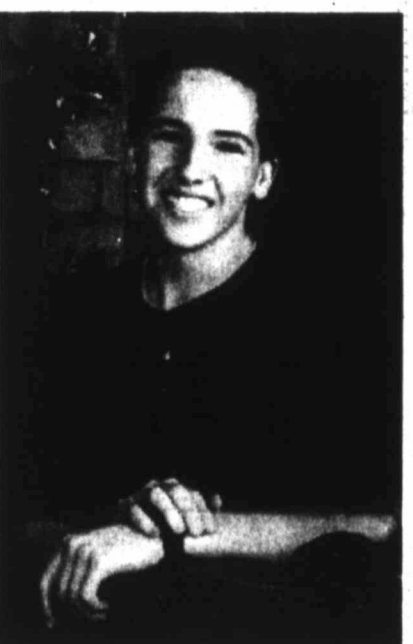
"These limited funding sources, combined with the Legislature twice appropriating money from the fund, have made the Texas Rainy Day Fund balance as a percentage of general appropriations dead last among the 42 states that have balances in their Rainy Day Funds," Rylander said. Since its inception, \$382.5 million has been transferred to the Rainy Day Fund, earning more than \$33 million in interest. The Legislature has twice appropriated money from the Rainy Day Fund. The 72nd Legislature appropriated \$28.9 million in 1991 for the Foundation School Fund to aid public schools. The 73rd Legislature appropriated \$119 million in 1993 to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice for prison construction and an additional \$78 million to fund a state jail system. Each appropriation was by a two-thirds vote of the Legislature.

**IRS TAX TIP: FOREIGN INCOME**

With more and more U.S. citizens earning money from foreign sources, the IRS reminds people that they must report all such income on their tax return, unless it is exempt under federal law.

This applies whether a person lives inside or outside the United States. The foreign income rule also applies regardless of whether you receive a Form W-2 or a Form 1099. Foreign source income includes earned income, such as wages and tips, as well as unearned income, such as interest, dividends, capital gains, pensions, rents and royalties. An important point to remember is that taxpayers living outside the United States may be able to exclude all or part of your foreign source income.

For more information, check out IRS Publication 54, "Tax Guide for U.S. Citizens and Resident Aliens Abroad." It's available at the IRS web site at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) under the "Forms and Pubs" section. It can be accessed directly at [ftp.fedworld.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p54.pdf](http://ftp.fedworld.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p54.pdf)



**CASEY BOLYARD Bolyard Earns National Award**

The United States Achievement Academy announced recently that Casey Bolyard of Wilson has been named a United States National Award Winner in mathematics.

Casey, who attends Wilson High School, was nominated for this national award by Cindy Chapman, a teacher at the school. His name will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.

Casey is the son of Doug and Tami Bolyard of Wilson. His grandparents are Doris and Oren Miller of Amarillo and Janice Wilkinson of Goodland, Kan.

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