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Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Jan. 9	76	37	
Jan. 10	55	37	
Jan. 11	57	32	
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Jan. 13	68	32	
Jan. 14	57	29	
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Theft, Vandalism, Accidents Reported

Another traffic accident involving a truck/tractor and the intersection of U.S. 380 and the east access road to U.S. 87, where work on the bridge makes it impossible for 18-wheelers to turn west, occurred last Thursday. This time the truck driver, Manuel Vasquez del Real Jr., 59, of Colorado City, went a block east to turn around so he could make the turn, but was involved in a collision with a vehicle which attempted to pass him on the right.

The second vehicle was a 2001 Ford pickup driven by Jeremy Ford McCormick, 26, of Weatherford. No injuries were reported. The 2000 White/Peterbilt truck was owned by Laredo Paving of Big Spring.

Richard Don Cloe, 22, of Tahoka told police an unknown vehicle had struck his 2000 Chevrolet pickup while it was parked in front of Higginbotham-Bartlett Lumber Co. Saturday, breaking a tail light.

Police arrested two male juveniles, age 16 and 13 after three motorists reported windows on their vehicles had been shot with a pellet gun as they drove down Lockwood St. in Tahoka last Thursday evening. The case was turned over to juvenile authorities. Damage of \$400 was reported to a Chevrolet pickup owned by John Lester Wilson, 49, of Tahoka. A 1998 Oldsmobile owned and driven by Jessie Benavidez, 55, of Tahoka, also had \$400 damage. It was a 1991 Pontiac owned and driven by Rose Dotson, 75, of Tahoka.

Odessa Payne, owner of Mama's Kitchen in Tahoka, reported approximately \$160 missing from her purse which was near the cash register of her business last Friday.

Damage of about \$600 was reported after someone broke out a plate glass window at Wilson City Hall on the morning of Jan. 7. Mayor Jackie Bishop found a green pool ball, No. 6, inside the building.

(See In Jail, page 2)



FOR A FEE ranging from \$50 to \$100, a "pet consultant" will advise you about what kind of dog you should have, fitting the breed to your lifestyle, according to an article in *Modern Maturity*. (Like, if you're old enough to be getting *Modern Maturity*, you need an old dog, so you can keep up with him/her when you go walking.)

I have no idea where I could find a pet consultant, nor do I want to find one. Most of us have better uses for our money than paying someone to tell us what kind of dog we need. We would rather make our own mistakes, such as the time we got a Dalmatian, a cute but very hyper pooch which dedicated itself to tearing up everything in the neighborhood. (Here's some advice for anyone considering a Dalmatian: don't do it. Now, send me \$50; you'll be glad you did.)

The article gave several examples of the type of dog good for certain lifestyles. It said that if you like to spend lots of time at sea, on yachts or cabin cruisers or whatever, "leaving dry land doesn't have to mean leaving Rover at home: Your Portuguese water dog will be as obsessed with your boat as you are."

Well, nobody in Lynn County spends a lot of time on a yacht. And I never heard of a Portuguese water dog. I have seen a few ugly creatures we call water dogs in this country, but I sure wouldn't want to take one on a cruise with me.

The article says golden retrievers are good with kids, and pugs are good for folks who travel with dogs. (Which I strongly believe nobody should ever do). It also says Dobermans and boxers are good bodyguards, and that English cocker spaniels are good companions for joggers. I have no quarrel with those choices.

It also says that for a good clean dog inside the house, get a Bichon Frisé. For a stroller, get a Pembroke or Cardigan Welsh Corgi, a Papillon for a lap dog. Again, I never heard of any of those breeds.

If our dog ever dies, we may get a couple of really ugly dogs with lots of whiskers, from the Far East, and name them Saddam and Osama. We'll watch them very closely and fly a little U.S. flag over their doghouse. These dogs, which have pea-sized brains and no morals, can be found in the country of Mutistan.

New County Law Enforcement Center Nears Completion; Open House Slated

The new Lynn County Law Enforcement Center is nearly finished, with dedication and open house ceremonies planned for Saturday, Feb. 9, and Sheriff Jake Diggs says interest has already been expressed from other law enforcement agencies to house prisoners here from overcrowded jails elsewhere.

The new facility, located about a half mile east of the traffic light in Tahoka on Hwy. 380, is housed in the former S&K Implement building. The interior of the building was reconstructed to include a 48-bed jail complete with the required separate men's and women's cells, exercise area, kitchen, and other facilities, as well as housing offices for the Sheriff's Department, Lynn County Victim's Assistance, and local Department of Public Safety officers. Centrally located in the facility is the control room which allows monitoring of almost 30 video cameras throughout the jail area and an electronically-controlled locking system.

"I believe the people of Lynn County are going to be very proud of this facility," Danny Butler of Dinosaur Valley Construction, Construction Manager for the project, told Lynn County Commissioners at Monday morning's meeting. "We are getting real close to finishing, and are in a position to be inspected anytime. The jail commission inspectors should be here sometime during the next two weeks to check safety systems, etc. Finishing the painting is the only thing holding us up, and that is getting close," he added.

Butler, who has worked with other law enforcement agencies in building jails, also bragged on the work being done by one of the county's inmates who is doing the painting at the new facility. "This guy is doing excellent work - he is one of the finest jail inmate painters I've ever seen," he said.

He told commissioners that work should be completed sometime next

week, and that open house ceremonies could be slated in February. Butler also presented a check from Dinosaur Valley Construction for \$1,000 to Sheriff Jake Diggs to provide funding for the open house. After some discussion, commissioners decided to schedule dedication and open house ceremonies on Saturday, Feb. 9, from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Opening ceremonies will take place at 10 a.m., with area dignitaries invited to attend.

In other business at the Monday meeting, commissioners approved county holidays and named the 2002 Grievance Committee from among names drawn from a grand jury list. Named to the committee were Kimberly Paris, Williams Clopton, Sandra Warren, Katherine Barton, Donald Williams, Leah Swinford, Sue Green, and Betty Long.

An exemption for travel trailers in Lynn County was approved, which will allow travel trailers to be exempt from county property taxes. Concrete slabs for the county landfill were approved at a cost of \$2475, to be placed for the receptacle bins to sit on. Mitch Rainold was approved to do the job for the county.

Monthly bills were approved, including a collection expense allocation from Lynn County Appraisal District for 2002 in the amount of \$2,849 and the quarterly payment of \$7,080 for the Lynn County Appraisal bid allocation. Also paid were the dues for the County and Judges in the amount of \$600 and the dues for the West Texas Commissioners and Judges in the amount of \$50. A contract was signed with the O'Donnell Volunteer Fire Department and \$1,875 was allocated for that department.

Present at the meeting which was unusually long - 2 1/2 hours - were commissioners J.T. Miller, Don Morton, Mike Braddock and Don Blair, as well as County Judge J.F. Brandon and other county officials.



GRAND CHAMPION - Cory Gardner of Tahoka (left) showed the Grand Champion barrow at the Tahoka Stock Show on Jan. 12. Pictured with him is his brother, Colby.

Property Tax Deadline Looms

Lynn County property owners who haven't yet paid their 2001 property taxes have only two weeks left if they plan on getting by with no additional fees, interest or penalties tacked on their original bills.

Thursday, Jan. 31 is the deadline to pay property taxes. After that, the late payment fees, penalties and interest amounts begin to add up quickly.

Those who wait until February will

pay an additional seven percent in penalties and interest.

Every month following that, the penalties and interest go up by two percent through June when the penalty fee remains at 15 percent.

Property owners have until 5 p.m. Jan. 31 to pay their taxes without interest. If paid by mail, taxes must be post-marked by Jan. 31.

Three Mustangs Make All South Plains

Three members of the Wilson Mustang varsity football team have been named Honorable Mention on the Six Man All South Plains Team.

Brian Arellano was honored for his work at running back, while Robert Arellano was named as kicker and Brian Martin was recognized at receiver.



BEST BOVINE - Brandi Tekell, a senior at Tahoka High School, showed the Grand Champion Steer at the 2002 Tahoka Stock Show Saturday, Jan. 12. Brandi also showed the Reserve Grand Champion Steer.

Wilson Superintendent Gets Contract Renewed, Pay Raise

Wilson Independent School District Board of Trustees last week voted to extend Superintendent Mike Jones' contract another year (through the 2005-2006 school year) and approved a salary increase of \$5,000. The superintendent, who did not get a salary increase the previous year, will have an annual salary of \$59,000. Trustees approved the joint motion with a 5-2 vote.

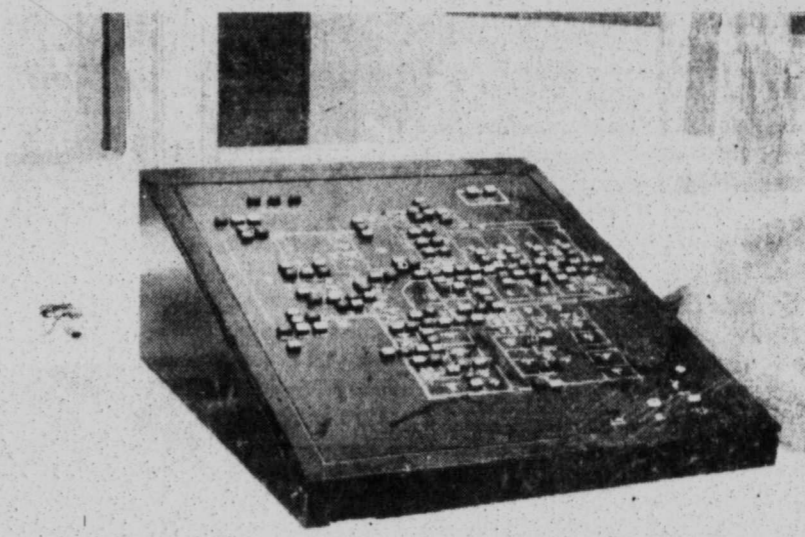
In other business during last Thursday night's meeting, Supt. Jones read a proclamation by Wilson Mayor Jackie Bishop designating January as School Board Recognition Month. Trustees were thanked for their contributions to the children and the employees of Wilson ISD and were presented certificates of appreciation by the superintendent. Board members include Clyde Wilke as Board

President, Dennis Bednarz as Vice President, Lonnie Donald as Secretary, and Doug Bolyard, Dan Cook, John Henderson and Mike Taylor.

Trustees discussed guidelines for developing the 2002-2003 school calendar and adopted policy updates.

Jesús Garza, son of David and Rachel Garza, was recognized as the Elementary Student of the Month; Rayley Parmer, daughter of Billy and Rhonda Parmer, was recognized as Junior High Student of the Month; and Brady Cross, son of Ricky and Lana Cross, was honored as High School Student of the Month. Aaron Rathbun, Band Director, was recognized as the WISD Employee of the Month.

The next regular meeting was scheduled for 7 p.m. Feb. 14.



NOT A GAME BOARD - The control board at the new Lynn County Law Enforcement Center somewhat resembles an electronic game board, with its many lights and buttons, but its purpose is much more complex. From this console, all the electronic locking systems and video camera systems can be monitored in the new 48-bed jail facility which is nearing completion. Dedication and open house ceremonies are scheduled for Feb. 9. (LCN PHOTO)



PHYSICAL THERAPY DEPARTMENT - Greeting visitors during Open House Tuesday afternoon at Lynn County Hospital District's new location for their Physical Therapy Department were, from left, Sharee Howard, Stephanie Lindsey Garcia, and Kyle Sodd. The office was moved from the hospital facilities to larger accommodations at the former SPS building, located between the Tahoka Post Office and First National Bank on South 1st. (LCN PHOTO)

Contract Renewal, Raise Approved For TISD Supt. Jimmy Parker

A \$2,000 salary increase and one-year contract extension was unanimously approved for Tahoka Independent School District Superintendent Jimmy Parker at the Board of Trustees meeting last Thursday. The pay hike puts the superintendent's salary at \$74,500.

Six of the district's seven trustees were present for the meeting, who went into closed session for a little more than three hours before coming back to open session with the contract proposal.

In other business, trustees took no action regarding proposed campus renovations, but did approve policy updates and monthly bills as presented. Business Manager Nathan Ehler reported on the district's finances.

Board members were presented certificates and pen/pencil sets in appreciation of their service on the board, and

Four Eagles Named All South Plains

Three members of the O'Donnell Eagles football team were recently named to the Lubbock Avalanche Journal All South Plains Team for Class 1A.

Jayce Clayton, a junior, was named for his efforts on the offensive line. With his leadership, the team averaged more than 239 yards rushing per game.

Earning Honorable Mention nods were Troy Rayburn, offensive line; Adam Ybarra, running back; and Casey Gandy, defensive back.

Senior Citizens Hire Manager

Lynn County Pioneer Club, the senior citizens organization, has hired Renee Brooks of Tahoka as new manager and director of the center.

Mrs. Brooks took over the job Tuesday. The position has been vacant for several months.

The senior citizens center in Tahoka serves meals daily at noon and also delivers meals on selected days to Wilson and O'Donnell.

campus principals are responsible for these campus activities.

Supt. Parker reported on the presentation of Tahoka ISD by Commissioner Scott Miller on Administrative Services for two weeks Compensation claims.

Present for the meeting were trustees Henley, Brad Hammond, Bill Calaway, Carmen Chapa, Math Wesley, and Tommy Botkin, with trustee Leigha Knox Jr. absent.



GREAT MUSICIANS - Ashley McNeely (right) and Kyndra Selmon (left) participated on Jan. 5 at Sunday in ATSSB Area tryouts for the ATSSB All-State Band. In competition against mostly 3A students from the Lubbock, Amarillo, Midland-Odessa, and El Paso regions, both young ladies did very well. Ashley barely missed making the cut for state, but only two bass clarinets advance. Kyndra was first in all clarinets at Area and will advance to the ATSSB All-State Band, which rehearses and gives a concert at the TMEA Convention in San Antonio, Feb. 20-23. (LCN PHOTO)

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SHANNON HUFFAKER and THOMAS URBANIA
Huffaker, Urbania Married In Philadelphia

Shannon D'Ann Huffaker and Thomas Hall Urbania, both of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, were married Saturday, Dec. 22, 2001 at the Philopartian Literary Institute in Philadelphia. The Rev. James Preston officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Charlotte and John Huffaker of Amarillo. Parents of the groom are Susan and Carl Urbania of Weston, Conn.

Lacey Huffaker, sister of the bride, served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Monica Lesmerises, Ruth Hinson-Pitzer, and Lindsay Strick.

Best man was Mike Urbania, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Christ Fedoski, David Sossone, John McCullough, Dave Walker, and Adam Williams.

Molly Walen played "Trumpet Voluntary" for the recessional.

The bride wore a formal princess-style gown of ivory satin organza which was designed with a demure high-shoulder neckline. The hand-headed motif of the neckline was repeated at the hemline and on the chapel train.

She carried long-stemmed, wine-colored call lilies and hypericum berries. The bride's bouquet included a covered winter eschereens with pine cones and hypericum berries.

The bride and groom provided a special gift to the bride and groom after their grandparents, Leta Warren, Robert Warren, the late Susan and John Huffaker, Jan. Wilcott, Rose Urbania and the late Karl Urbania. The couple plan to have a honeymoon in the Bahamas, Bahamas, Bahamas, Mr. and Mrs. Urbania will be in the wedding on Dec. 22, 2001.

The wedding reception was held at the Philopartian Literary Institute in Philadelphia. The bride is a graduate of Amarillo High School. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1998 from York University in New Haven, Conn. She is pursuing her Master's degree in nursing from the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia.

The groom is a graduate of arts degree in 1995 from York. He is a second-year medical student in the University of Pennsylvania.

The couple reside in Philadelphia.

Saldana Named Probation Employee Of The Year

Lupe Saldana, secretary for the Lynn County Probation Department, has been named "Employee of the Year" for the 106th Judicial District Probation Department. She has been employed with the Lynn County Probation Department since June 2000, but has been with the district, serving in Gaines County, since September 1995.

"Lupe is a loyal and dedicated employee who has been willing to exceed her duties and responsibilities as the secretary in the probation office," said Lloyd Glass, director of probation services for the district, who presented Saldana with a plaque at the district's Christmas party. "She has exceptional management and communication skills and is a team player," he added.

District Judge Carter T. Schildknecht echoed those comments and added, "Lupe is very deserving of such and honor, and Lynn County and the district are very fortunate to have her."



EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR - Lupe Saldana (right), secretary for the Lynn County Probation Department, has been named "Employee of the Year" for the 106th Judicial District Probation Department. Presenting the award to Lupe was Lloyd Glass, director of probation services for the district.



MR. and MRS. RALPH ALDRIDGE
Loop Couple To Celebrate Golden Anniversary

Ralph and Betty Aldridge of Loop will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception at 2 p.m. this Saturday, Jan. 20, in the Loop Community Center.

The couple was married Jan. 20, 1952. Their children are Dennis and Gerry Aldridge of New Mexico, Eddie and Peggy Aldridge of Brownfield and Timmy and Jackie Smith of Loop. They have six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

The couple operated the general store in Draw for many years before moving to Loop.

Tahoka Family Flowers Closes

Another business in Tahoka is closing its doors, citing economic hardships. Gail Stark, owner of Tahoka Family Flowers for the past five years, has announced she is closing the flower shop located at 1614 Main Street.

The store has been a flower shop for at least 13 years, with Mrs. Stark's mother, Jean Jackson, operating the shop for eight years before Mrs. Stark.

The good news, however, is that the Main Street store will not be vacant. Mrs. Stark says she is planning on opening a daycare center at the same location in the near future.

"I am very excited about opening a daycare center for area children, and have lots of plans for helping children learn in an educational setting," she told *The News* this week. "I believe this is something which is needed in Tahoka, and want to offer another option for those families needing childcare services," she added.



MR. and MRS. MONTY HALE
Pantusch, Hale Exchange Vows

Melody Pantusch of Wall and Monty Hale of Tahoka were married Nov. 24, 2001 in Paint Rock.

Melody is the daughter of Jimmy and Mary Hollon and Monty is the son of David and Kathy Hale.

Monty attends Angelo State University and Melody is employed by the San Angelo Standard Times.

The couple reside in San Angelo.



STORK REPORT

Terry and Diane Botkin of Grand Junction, Colorado announced the birth of a son, Benjamin Michael Botkin, born at 11:29 a.m., Friday, Jan. 11, 2002 at St. Mary's Hospital in Grand Junction. He weighed 8 lbs. 14 oz. and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Benjamin has two older brothers, Zachary, 4, and Joshua, 2.

Grandparents are Gary and Eller Grabau of Boulder, Colorado and Finis and Martha Botkin of Tahoka.

Mistic and Kent Kahl of Tahoka announce the birth of son, Walter Kash Kahl, born at 1:32 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 7, 2002 at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. He weighed 8 lbs. 6 oz. and was 21 inches long.

He has a brother, Trevor and a sister, Corlee.

Grandparents are W.J. and Melissa Kahl, and Lynn and Pat Cook, all of Tahoka, and Loyd and Reba Pierce of Proctor.

Great-grandparents are Al and Ruth Pelton of Tahoka and J.W. and M. Jean Corley of Odessa.

The Girl Scouts were founded under the name the Girl Guides in 1912. The name was changed the following year. Daisy Gordon was the first Girl Guide in the United States.

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In Jail ...

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In jail during the last week were two persons for grand jury indictment on felony drunk driving, and 12 others on these charges: warrant for bond surrender on charges of indecency with a child, warrant on tampering with government records, warrant on possession of drug paraphernalia, motion to adjudicate on possession of marijuana under two persons, failure to appear on motion to enforce child support, warrant on motion for revocation of probation, unlawfully carrying a weapon plus minor in possession of alcohol, application to revoke probation on conviction of DWI first offense, driving while license suspended plus DWI second offense, possession of marijuana, DWI first offense, and driving while license suspended.

The Home Front
by Elizabeth Jones

Family Extension, Adult Family & Consumer Services

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

(Editors Note: The letter she mentions was sent to Mary Beth Doss, Alicia Hollis and Deputy Tom Tejada, thanking them for their help in returning her purse.)

Dear Juanel,

I am enclosing a copy of a letter I sent to three persons who were instrumental in the return of my purse, which fell from the car as we were watching Sandhill Cranes.

Mary Beth Doss, who is a mail carrier, came behind us and found my purse along the road. She took it to Tahoka and turned it in at the Sheriff's office. We are from Sioux Falls, SD and were out watching the Cranes with our daughter and son-in-law, David and Becky King who live in Lubbock.

We are so grateful that within a time period of two hours I had the purse back in my possession. What great representatives these three people are of the kind of people who live in West Texas.

Best Regards,
Delores M. Cook

GOOD LUCK ...

To All The Participants in the **LYNN COUNTY STOCK SHOW**

We invite everyone to come out and support our youth in the county stock show January 24-26 at the Lynn County Showbarn.

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Jan. 21
Monday: Hamburg Gravy, Broccoli & Wheat Roll, Apple
Tuesday: Lasagne, Brisket Sprouts, Cornbread, Peach
Wednesday: Brisket, Stewed Okra, V. cot Cobbler.
Thursday: Sloppy Tator Tots, Carrots, Gelatin, Gingerbread
Friday: Chicken Sauce, Butter Beans, Tossed Salad, Wheat Roll, Pir
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RESERVE CHAMP - Cody Tomlinson showed this Hampshire to take home Reserve Grand Champion honors in the barrow show at the Tahoka Stock Show on Saturday, Jan. 12.



GREAT GOATS - Three members of Lynn County 4-H Club showed goats at the Tahoka Stock Show on Saturday, Jan. 12. Harley Reynolds (left), 8-year-old daughter of Paula and Bryan Reynolds, showed the Grand and Reserve Champion goats and won the showmanship award. Also showing were Jay Martin (middle), 8-year-old son of Sherri and Bobby Jack Martin; and Kenzie Angeley (right), 9-year-old daughter of Tammi and Michael Angeley.

Some Pennsylvania farmers once believed they had to walk around a garden fence three times before 9:00 AM on St. Patrick's Day to keep moles out.

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Tahoka School Menu
Jan. 21-25
Breakfast

Monday: No School.
Tuesday: Sausage & Biscuit or Cereal & Biscuit, Apple Juice, Milk.
Wednesday: Waffles or Cereal & Toast, Grape Juice, Milk.
Thursday: Breakfast Pizza or Cereal & Toast, Orange Juice, Milk.
Friday: No School.

Lunch
Monday: No School.
Tuesday: Chicken Burgers, Lettuce, Onion, Pickles, Mixed Fruit, Rainbow Pops, Milk.
Wednesday: Chili Beef Burritos, Tossed Salad, Corn, Orange Slices, Milk.
Thursday: Hamburger or Cheeseburger, French Fries, Lettuce, Onion, Pickles, Peach Cobbler, Milk.
Friday: No School.

Results Of Tahoka Stock Show Released

The 42nd annual Tahoka Livestock Show was held Jan. 12, and 92 of the exhibitor's animals were evaluated. Judging the show was Todd Gregory, agriculture science teacher from Klondike.

Market goats kicked off the day's events with Harley Reynolds showing the Grand and Reserve Grand Champion goats. Harley also won showmanship in the goat division.

An extremely competitive steer show as culminated with Brandi Tekell having Grand and Reserve Grand Champion steers with her two heavy weight Exotic steers. Riley Barnett won the showmanship in the steer division.

As expected, the always popular market hog show had the most entries with 75. Cory Gardner exhibited the Grand Champion with his 216 pound Duroc. Cody Tomlinson's 180 pound Hampshire was named Reserve Grand Champion, and Cody also won the hog showmanship honors.

Billy and Arnetta Miller donated all the awards for the show this year.

Complete results are as follows:
Goats: Class 1-Jay D. Martin, 1st; Harley Reynolds, 2nd; Kenzie Angeley, 3rd; Class 2-Harley Reynolds, 1st and second.
Steers: British Steers-Wacie Barnett, 1st; American Steers Class 1-Riley Barnett, 1st, Reserve Champion; Wacie Barnett, 2nd; Riley Barnett, 3rd; American Steers Class 2-Riley Barnett, 1st, Breed Champion; Cody Tomlinson, 2nd, Cross Steers Class 1-Cassidy Gandy, 1st; Cody Tomlinson, 2nd; Cross Steers Class 2-Brandi Tekell, 1st and 2nd, Breed and Reserve Champion.
Hogs: Chester White-Brandi Tekell, 1st, Breed Champ; Cody Tomlinson, 2nd, Reserve Champ; Jessica Stephens, 3rd; Duroc (Lightweight)-Cory Gardner, 1st, Breed Champ; Garrett Barham, 2nd; Cassidy Gandy, 3rd; Michael Paris, 4th; Ren Ellis, 5th; Duroc (Heavyweight)-Michael Nance, 1st, Reserve; Jynna Askew, 2nd; Kyle Preston, 3rd; Tyler Hawthorn, 4th; Tiffany Hudson, 5th; Hampshire (Lightweight)-Cody Tomlinson, 1st, Breed Champ; Jynna Askew, 2nd; Michael Nance, 3rd; Brandon Tomlinson, 4th; Tannon Hudson, 5th; Mathew Askew, 6th; Hampshire (Mediumweight)-Cade Miller, 1st; Kyle Preston, 2nd; Tyler Hawthorne, 3rd; Brandi Tekell, 4th; Cory Gardner, 5th; Colby Gardner, 6th; Matthew Saldana, 7th; Hampshire (Heavyweight)-Lindsay Preston, 1st, Reserve; Garrett Barham, 2nd; Michael Nance, 3rd; Cade Miller, 4th; Chris Ashbrook, 5th; Reed Williams, 6th; Landrace-Cassidy Gandy, 1st, Breed Champ; Brandon Tomlinson, 2nd, Reserve; Sports-Brandi Tekell, 1st, Breed Champ; Josh Hawthorne, 2nd Reserve; Yorkshire (Lightweight)-Jessica Stephens, 1st; Wacie Barnett, 2nd; Brandi Tekell, 3rd; Trey Thomas, 4th; Morgan Lockaby, 5th; Maddie Barham, 6th; Yorkshire (Heavyweight)-Brandon Tomlinson, 1st, Breed Champ; Brady Askew, 2nd, Reserve; Cody Tomlinson, 3rd; Brady Askew, 4th; Cross (Lightweight)-Riley Barnett, 1st; Ren Ellis, 2nd; Brandon Tomlinson, 3rd; Colby Gardner, 4th; Chris Ashbrook, 5th; Cross (Mediumweight)-Garrett Barham, 1st; Reed Williams, 2nd; Kylan Pepsworth, 3rd; Tiffany Hudson, 4th; Riley Barnett, 5th; Tannon Hudson, 6th; Cross (Heavyweight)-Morgan Lockaby, 1st, Breed Champ; Josh Hawthorne, 2nd, Reserve; Cassidy Gandy, 3rd; Brady Askew, 4th; Lindsay Preston, 5th; Trey Thomas, 6th; Tannon Hudson, 7th; Michael Paris, 8th.



RANDI THORNHILL AND DAD, RON THORNHILL

Thornhill Wins First At Mascot Competition

Randi Thornhill, a senior at New Home High School, won first place at the NCA National Mascot Competition in Dallas, Dec. 29. She won a trophy, NCA jacket and a \$1000 scholarship, as well as a job offer for the summer to teach at NCA Mascot camps in Texas, Oklahoma, and Louisiana.

The daughter of Ron and Stacy Thornhill, Randi has been representing New Home schools as Lila The Leopard for the past three years. She was named All American Mascot at summer camp the past three years, and was the OP Mascot of the enter camp in 2001 at Wayland Baptist University NCA Camp. She placed sixth last year at NCA Mascot competition.

At this year's NCA National competition, Randi won first place with a score of 9.25, competing with 20 mascots from different states.

"After graduating, Randi plans to attend college and major in physical education."

Locals Earn Academic Honors

Three students from Tahoka earned academic honors for the fall semester at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview.

Kalie Krey and Jodi Barnes were included on the President's List, compiling a perfect 4.0 for the term.

Krey is the daughter of John and Cheryl Krey. Barnes is the daughter of Roger and Pat Williams of Tahoka.

Kyle Bueermann was included on the Dean's List for compiling between a 3.5 and a 3.99 grade point average for the fall.

Bueermann is the son of Bill and Wayla Bueermann.

Basketball News

Varsity Boys
by Cory Gardner

Friday, Jan. 11, the Dogs defeated the Post Antelopes 49-45 for their first district win.

Adrian Moore was high point with 34 points.

Other scorers were Ren Ellis 6, Cory Gardner 4, Josh Thompson 3, B. J. Andrews and Michael Nance 1 point each.

Varsity Girls
by Kammie Williams

The lady dogs were edged by the Post Antelopes here on Friday, Jan. 11.

The top scorers were Ashanti Hood with 11 points, Angela Curtis with 11 points, and Marissa Chapa with 6 points.

The lady dogs beat the Ralls Jackrabbits 34-33 on Tuesday, Jan. 8.

The top scorers were Curtis with 9 points, Hood with 8 points, and Kirsten Tillman with 5 points.

JV Girls
by Britni Engle

On Jan. 11 the JV Lady Bulldogs played Post. The Ladies didn't get the out come they wanted, losing 19-36.

Top scorer was Krista Norwood with 11 points.

JV Boys
by Jessica Stephens

The J.V. boys basketball team won against Post Jan. 11, 30-26.

Leading points were Casey Hall scoring 12 points and Kellen Flowers scoring 9 points. Other scorers in the game were Josh Pridmore 5, Cade Miller and Michael Deleon both with 2 points.

8th Grade Girls
by Kalah Bartley

The 8th grade girls defeated Ralls 38-16 on Jan. 14.

High scorer was Meghan Saldana with 16 points.

Other top scorers were Samantha Andrews with 7 and Porscha Mitchell with 6.

7th Grade Girls
by Sarah Hawthorne

The girls lost to Ralls 20-24 Monday, Jan. 14.

Jaquez Justice scored 11 points and Jeni Hammonds scored 4 points. Christa Munoz put up 3 points and Haley Hall made 2 points.

7th Grade Boys
by Kyned Byrd

The seventh grade boys defeated Ralls, 37-21.

Top scorers were Byron Moore with 10 points and Damon Moore with 9 points. Other scorers were Kole Flowers, 6 points; Josh Hawthorne, 5 points; and Daniel Baker and Jay Tillman had 4 points each.

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MIDDLE SCHOOL BANDSMEN COMPETE - These Tahoka middle schoolers participated against over 500 students from 1A and 2A schools in auditions at New Deal on Tuesday, Jan. 15 for the Region 16 ATSSB Middle School Region Band which will be held at the Lubbock Civic Center, Feb. 1-2. They are (front) Kole Flowers, Johnathan Hernandez, Amanda Truelove, and Codie Payne; and (back) Mitchell Elrod, Corry Norwood, Jessica Wilson, Delci Willis, and Porscha Mitchell. Not shown is Randy Carter. (LCN PHOTO)

Emergency Farm Loans Now Being Accepted At FSA

Applications for emergency farm loans for losses caused by drought that occurred from Jan. 1, 2001 and continuing are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency (FSA) office located in Tahoka, FSA Ag Credit Manager Curtis Barlow said today.

Lynn County is one of 50 counties recently named by Secretary of Agriculture Ann M. Vineman as eligible for loans to cover part of actual production losses resulting from the drought. Barlow said farmers may be eligible for loans of up to 80 percent of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to continue in business, whichever is less. For farmers unable to obtain credit from private commercial lenders, the interest is 3.75 percent.

"As a general rule, a farmer must have suffered at least a 30 percent loss of production to be eligible for an FSA emergency loan," Barlow said. Farmers participating in the Federal Crop Insurance program will have to figure in proceeds from this program in determining their loss.

"Applications for loans under this emergency designation will be accepted until July 26, 2002, but farmers should apply as soon as possible. Delays in applying could create backlogs in processing and possibly over into the new farming season," Barlow said.

FSA is a credit agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. It is authorized to provide disaster emergency loans to recognized farmers who work at and rely on farming for a substantial part of their living. Eligibility is extended to individual farmers who are U.S. citizens and to farming partnerships, corporations or cooperatives in which U.S. citizens hold a majority interest.

The FSA office in Tahoka is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri.



ROTARIANS HONORED - Clint Walker (left) and Harold Green (right) were both honored with 50-year pins at the Rotary Club meeting on Dec. 27. Walker joined the club in 1939 and Green joined in 1951. Special guests at the meeting were their spouses, Lottie Jo Walker and Bettye Green. The Rotary motto is "Service Before Self."

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The Arriaga family would like to express our gratitude to the community for their kindness to our Dad and Granddaddy, Fermin Arriaga. You gave Fermin and our family support in sickness and in death. Our special thanks to Dr. Freitag, Brother Aleman, Brother White, Brother Garcia, and Calvillo Funeral Home.
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Your kind expression of sympathy was deeply appreciated and is gratefully acknowledged by the family of Maria Lopez. On her behalf and the entire Lopez family, we would like to thank those of you who sent flowers and those who sent food. We appreciate the support of our family and friends who were with us during our time of sorrow. Special thanks goes out to the following: Tahoka Care Center, Lynn County Hospital, Dr. Freitag and staff, Calvillo Funeral Home, the Guadalupe and St. Jude's Catholic Church. Your prayers will remain with us always.
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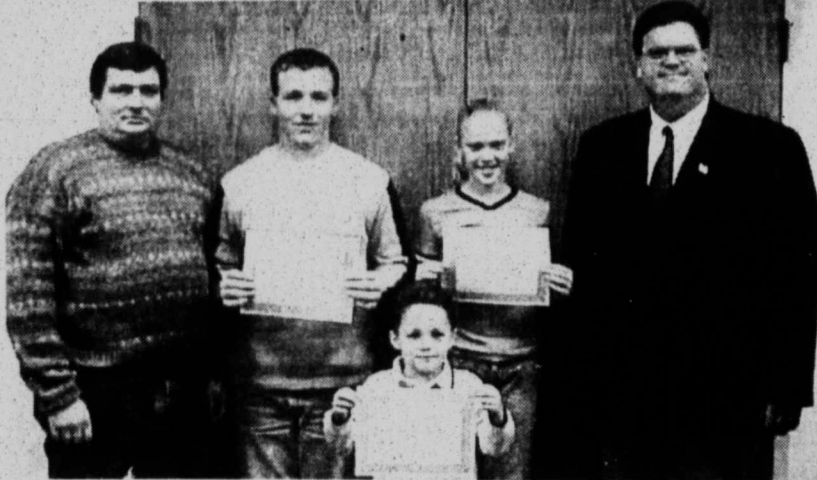
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MUSTANG MADNESS - Wilson Mustang David Yowell gets pushed around by a Wellman-Union Wildcat in a game last Friday, while his teammate Blake Talkmitt (#30) looks on. Wilson won the game 57-54 with Yowell scoring 37 points. (Photo by Carol Yowell)



WILD STUDENTS OF THE MONTH - Three students were named Student of the Month for January at Wilson ISD. They are Brady Cross (2nd from left), Jesus Garza (front) and Rayley Farmer (2nd from right). Also pictured are school board president Clyde Wilke and Superintendent Mike Jones.



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH - Wilson ISD presented three students with Student of the Month honors for December. They were (left to right) Zach Schoor, high school; Chris Chapman, junior high; and Cody Cross, elementary. Pictured with them is WISD Superintendent Mike Jones.

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Wilson ISD has announced their honor rolls for students in grades six through eight. It is as follows:
AB Honor Roll: 6th Grade- Angelica Hernandez, Lana Geisler, Kyle Hare, Britany Holder, Dain Jones, Caleb Griffin, Rayley Farmer, Trela Rex, Robin Taylor;
7th Grade- Yessica Gonzalez, Chris Chapman, Gilbert Vasquez, Halye Cunningham; 8th Grade- Amber Autry, Sarah Bednarz, Leticia Hernandez, Megan Noles, Ana Sanders, Kourtney Schoor.
 There were no students in grades six through eight named to the A Honor Roll.

The members of the Wilson Livestock Association wish to express their appreciation for all of the support that the community of Wilson and the surrounding areas demonstrated in the very successful bar-b-que and auction on Sunday, Jan. 13. Your support contributes to the success of our stock shows.

The Wilson Mustangs kicked the Wellman-Union Wildcats 57-54 last Friday night. David Yowell scored a career high 37 points, scoring 29 in the first half and 18 in the second.
 Gerardo Valdez put in 11 points and Blake Talkmitt added 9.

In action on Jan. 8, the Mustangs defeated Ropes. Yowell tossed in 22, with Valdez close behind with 21. Jamie Cavender added 6, Aaron Bednarz had 4 and Talkmitt put in 3.
 The junior high boys defeated Ropes 26-24 on Jan. 7.

On the Wilson ISD calendar for this week: the varsity girls and boys basketball team travel to New Home for games beginning at 6:30 Friday. The Wilson Stock Show will take place on Saturday.
 The junior high boys and girls will host New Home in games beginning at 5 p.m. Monday, Jan. 21, while the varsity boys and girls will host Southland on Tuesday, Jan. 22 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Students will have a school holiday on Friday, Jan. 25 due to the Lynn County Stock Show.

On this week's calendar: Jan. 21 - Jr. High travels to Wilson, School Board meeting at 8 p.m.; Jan. 22 - Basketball games at Ropes, games start at 4:00; Jan. 24 - Lynn County Stock Show begins; Jan. 25 - School Holiday.

Wilson School Menu

Jan. 21-25 Breakfast
Monday: Cinnamon Rolls, Juice, Milk.
Tuesday: Pizza, Juice, Milk.
Wednesday: Pancakes, Juice, Milk.
Thursday: Scrambled Eggs, Hashbrowns, Toast, Juice, Milk.
Friday: French Toast Sticks, Juice, Milk.
Lunch
Monday: Cheeseburgers, Lettuce, Tomato, Fries, Fruit, Milk.
Tuesday: Burritos, Tator Tots, Cheese Sticks, Fruit, Milk.
Wednesday: Sausage Wraps, Tator Tots, Ranch Style Beans, Fruit, (HS Alt-Nacho Bar), Milk.
Thursday: Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Milk.
Friday: Pizza, Salad, Crackers, Fruit, Milk.

New Home School Menu

Jan. 21-25 Breakfast
Monday: Waffles w/Syrup, Milk.
Tuesday: Biscuit, Sausage, Milk.
Wednesday: Granola Bars, Milk.
Thursday: Cereal, Graham Crackers, Milk.
Friday: No School.
Lunch
Monday: Mini Corn Dogs, Lettuce, Tomato, Celery, Carrot, Breaded Okra, Fruit Cup, Milk.
Tuesday: Frito Pie, Lettuce, Tomato, Pinto Beans, Pineapple Tidbits, Cornbread, Milk.
Wednesday: Sandwich Bar, Pickle Spears, Baby Carrots, Orange Wedges, Apples, Lime Sherbet, Milk.
Thursday: Pizza, Lettuce, Tomato, Corn, Banana Pudding, Milk.
Friday: No School.

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 -Rainer Maria Rilke

The NEW HOME News
 by Karon Durham
 924-7448

The Mobile Mammogram unit will still take appointments for an April date until Jan. 31. If there are not five more appointments booked then the unit will not be able to come to New Home. Anyone interested in an appointment should contact Karon Durham as soon as possible at 924-7524.

New Home Elementary students were recognized at an awards assembly on Jan. 11 for their good works in UIL, perfect attendance, and honor rolls for the third six weeks.

The A.R. program is still collecting box tops for education. They will be giving out candy for each five box tops turned in during the next six weeks. Betty Holder or Karon Durham can collect the box tops. The money helps purchase prizes for the Accelerated Reading prize cabinet.

New Home Stock Show will be held at 10:00 on Jan. 19 at the old Co-op Gin building. Mothers are asked to bring baked goods for the concession stand. The Lynn County Show will start on the 24th and conclude with the Premium Sale on the 26th at the Lynn County Showbarn.

Basketball season has reached the district level and will conclude on Feb. 5 for high school when they play at Wilson.

New Home School 2001-2002 yearbooks are on sale now through Tuesday, Jan. 29. The cost is only \$21, but increases to \$26 on Jan. 30. A plastic cover may be purchased for \$1.50 and a name can be printed on the yearbook's cover (up to 21 characters) for \$3. The Yearbook Staff will be selling Valentines from Jan. 21-Feb. 11. Items available include red or white rose for \$1.50, USA Heart Pop or Lips Pop for 75-cents. Place your yearbook and Valentine orders through any of these yearbook staff members: Caitie Dalton, Danielle Garza, Jessica Holder, Nick Holloway, Josh Schoppa, Katie Schoppa, or sponsor, Mrs. Scott.

Bess Denton was a resident of New Home during the 1970's, and will be celebrating her 90th birthday soon. If you would like to send cards to her, the address is: 1950 Sycamore, Paris, TX 75460-7721.

Randi Thornhill, a New Home High School senior, met with Coach Hogue at Wayland Baptist University on Jan. 15. Randi was offered a letter of intent from Coach Hogue to come and play soccer at Wayland in the fall.

The New Home Leopards played a smashing performance against the Ropes Eagles on Monday, Jan. 14, with the score ending up 51-5. High scorers for the Leopards were Blaine Paul with 10 points and Chantry Thornhill with 10.

KALIE KREY



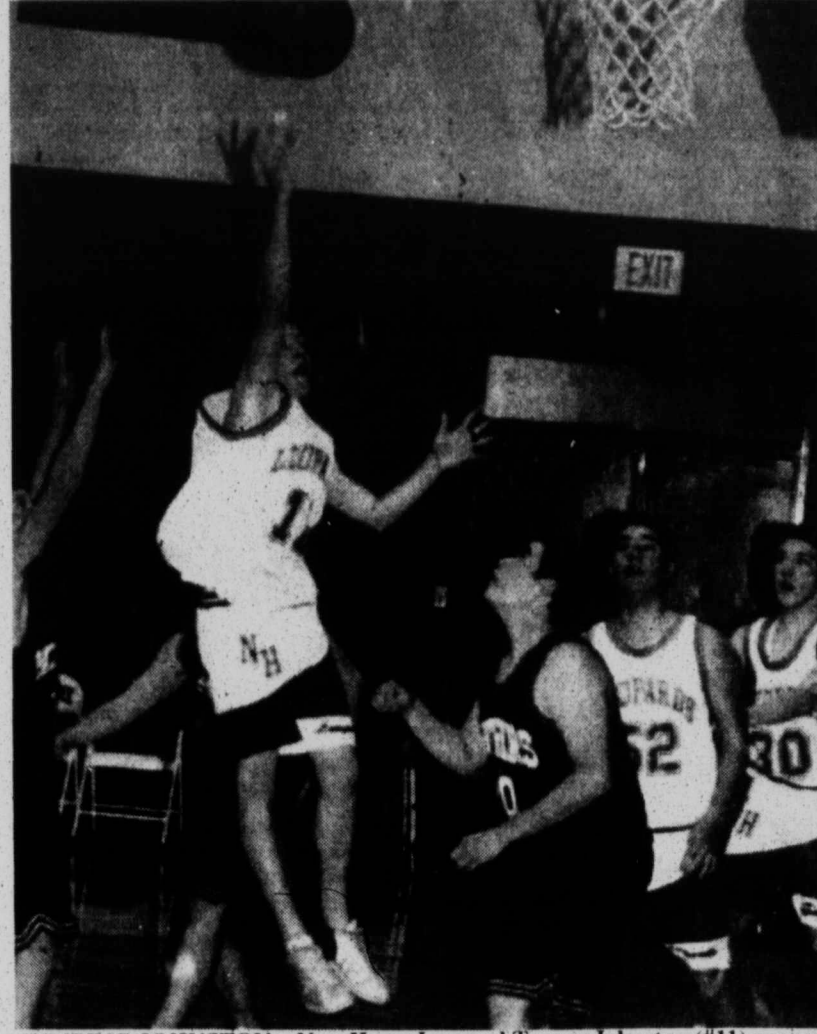
Krey Inducted Into Alpha Chi At Wayland
 Kalie Krey, daughter of John and Cheryl Krey of Tahoka, was recently inducted into the Alpha Chi Honor Society at Wayland Baptist University.
 Alpha Chi is a collegiate national honor society founded in 1922. Its purpose is to honor college students who have displayed character as well as academic excellence. Invitations for membership are extended to junior and senior honor students ranking in the top ten percent of their respective classes.

Area Students Named To ASU Dean's List

The Dean's List for the 2001 fall semester has been announced at Angelo State University in San Angelo.
 Two area students, Casey Shelton Barnes, a Kinesiology major; and Bonnie Gale Stennett, a Communications major; were named to the list.
 To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must be enrolled full-time and maintain a 3.25 grade point average.

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JUMPING JOHNSTON - New Home Leopard Tanner Johnston (#11) goes up for a basket against Whittarahal in a junior varsity game recently. Looking on are teammates Ryan Gill (#52), and Monte Jolly (#30). (Photo by Caitie Dalton)

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 by NHHS Journalism Students

New Home School News
Lady Leopards Place 3rd In Loop Tourney
 by Caitie Dalton

The New Home Lady Leopards recently participated in the Loop Tournament. They came up against included Midland Classical, O'Donnell, and Buena Vista. The girls won their first game against Midland 59-55, but lost to O'Donnell the next day 45-32. In the final game of the tourney, New Home outshot Buena Vista with a whopping 58-39 score, with Stephanie Kieth scoring 15 and Dana Swartz 10.

Leopards Rip By Klondike
 by Caitie Dalton

The New Home Leopards played a smashing game against the Klondike Cougars on Monday, Jan. 8. Try as they might, the Cougars just couldn't claw their way past the Leopards and the game ended with a painful score of 70-23 in favor of New Home. Top scoring players were Jason Reyes with 19, Shaun Wied with 13, and Michael Wied with 12.

Lady Leopards Fall Short
 by Nick Holloway

Although a good game, the Lady Leopards came up short on Monday, Jan. 14 in the game against Ropes. 34-19. High scorers for the Leopards were Natalie Bruton with 6 points and Stephanie White close behind with 5.

Leopards Win Over Ropes
 by Nick Holloway

The New Home Leopards showed a smashing performance against the Ropes Eagles on Monday, Jan. 14, with the score ending up 51-5. High scorers for the Leopards were Blaine Paul with 10 points and Chantry Thornhill with 10.

JV Basketball
 by Josh Schoppa

Thursday, Jan. 3 the JV boys took part in the Loop Longhorn Tournament. The JV boys showed they were able to compete against varsity teams. In the first round, the Leopards took on Midland Classical and lost 56-35. Helping pace the Leopards were high scorer Dylan Feaster with 14 points and Tanner Johnston with 8.

In the second round of the tourney, the JV squad took on the Wellman-Union Wildcats. Leading at halftime 19-18, the young Leopards were unable to hold off the Wildcats in the second half and lost 89-58. High scorers for this game were Feaster with 21 and Johnston with 9.

On Tuesday, Jan. 8 the JV Lady Leopards took on the Klonjike Lady Cougars in their first game after the Christmas break. Slow starts by both teams left the score at 3-6 in favor of the Cougars after the first quarter. A strong second quarter by the Lady Leopards, in particular Miranda Rodriguez who scored 11 points in the second quarter alone, had the visiting Lady Leopards leading 16-9.

Jr. High Basketball
 by Katie Schoppa

On Jan. 7, New Home Jr. High girls won 25-22 over Southland, with Natalie Bruton high scorer with 9 points. The Jr. High boys won 41-16. Chantry Thornhill led scoring with 12 points, and David Nevarez had 10.

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