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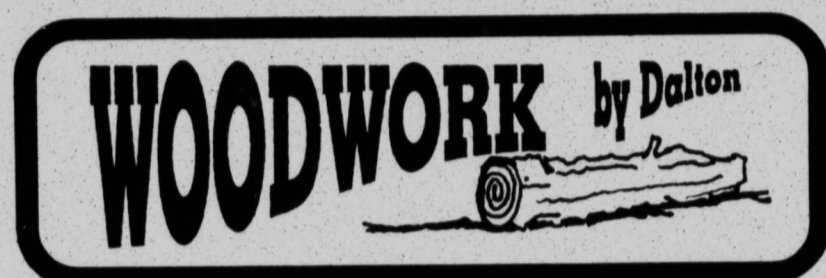
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2002

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THS Band, Choir To Present Annual Christmas Concert

The Tahoka High School 3-D Band and High School Choir will present their annual free Christmas concert this Monday night, Dec. 16, in the high school auditorium from 7 to 8 p.m. The choir will be singing Little Drummer Boy, Donna Pacem, and Silent Night. The band, under the direction of Carroll Rhodes and assistant Lora Smith, will perform The Grinch Who Stole Christmas, Patapan, Chanukah, Yuletide Festival, and Lord of the Rings.

"We invite all to come and get in the Christmas mood and support these outstanding band and choir students," said Rhodes.



I WONDER how many people in Lynn County are suffering from paraskevidekatriaphobics. I wonder how many local residents can pronounce it, or spell it. Or know what this disease is? Certainly not me; I had to copy it off an internet printout.

What it means, according to a researcher named David Emery, on a site called About.com, is a person who is afflicted with a morbid, irrational fear of Friday the 13th, which is tomorrow, if you're reading this on Dec. 12. According to one source, 21 million persons in the USA fear what could happen on Friday the 13th. There are lots of superstitions about Friday the 13th, and about Fridays and the number 13, some of which I may get to before I finish this literary offense.

First, though, I found it interesting that he cites a British scientific study that indicates Friday the 13th is not a good day for driving.

With the aim of examining "the relation between health, behaviour and superstition surrounding Friday 13th in the United Kingdom," the authors compared the ratios of traffic volume to traffic accidents on two different days, Friday the 6th and Friday the 13th, over a period of years. They found that although fewer people chose to drive on Friday the 13th, the number of hospital admissions due to accidents was significantly higher than on normal Fridays.

They concluded that "Friday the 13th is unlucky for some. The risk of hospital admission as a result of a vehicular accident may be increased by as much as 52 per cent. Staying at home is recommended." (Maybe it would help if they didn't all drive on the wrong side of the road).

Some people, said Mr. Emery, won't go to work on Friday the 13th (a new excuse, to me). Some won't eat in restaurants, and many would not schedule a wedding on the date.

Even by itself the number 13 is considered unlucky by many. It is said that if 13 people sit down to dinner together, all will die within the year (some places I have eaten, it could happen before the day is over). . . Many cities do not have a 13th St. and many building don't have a 13th floor (none in Lynn County do). . . If you have 13 letters in your name, you will have "the devil's luck." Examples cited were Jack the Ripper, Charles Manson, Jeffrey Dahmer, Theodore Bundy and Albert De Salvo. Osama bin Laden was not mentioned.

It is said . . . Never change your bed on Friday; it will bring bad dreams. Don't start a trip on Friday or you will have misfortune. If you cut your nails on Friday, you cut them for sorrow. Ships that set sail on a Friday will have bad luck - as in the tale of H.M.S. Friday . . . One hundred years ago, the British government sought to debunk the widespread superstition among seamen that sailing on Friday was unlucky. A special ship was commissioned, to be named "H.M.S. Friday." They laid her keel on a Friday, launched her on a Friday, selected the crew on a Friday and put her in command of Captain Jim Friday. Finally, H.M.S. Friday embarked on her maiden voyage - on a Friday - and was never seen or heard from again.

Some say Friday's bad reputation in western culture goes all the way back to the Garden of Eden. It was on a Friday, supposedly, that Eve tempted Adam with the forbidden fruit. Adam bit, and they were both ejected from Paradise. Tradition also holds that the Great Flood began on a Friday; God tongued the builders of the Tower of Babel on a Friday; the Temple of Solomon was destroyed on a Friday; and Friday was the day of the week on which Christ was crucified. Traditionally, it is a day of penance for Christians.

But some sources say the pall over the sixth day of the week predates Christianity. In Rome, Friday was execution day (later Hangman's Day in Britain). In other pagan cultures Friday was the Sabbath, a day of worship. Those who indulged in secular or self-interested activities on that day could not expect to receive blessings from the gods - which may explain the lingering taboo on embarking on journeys or starting important projects on Fridays.

Still other sources pinpoint the origin of superstition about Friday the 13th as a specific event: the rounding up of the Knights Templar for torture and execution by King Philip IV of France on Friday, Oct. 13, 1307.

Fortunately the Elks Club and the Rotarians were not meeting that day.



READY FOR THE CHRISTMAS TOUR - Six members of Tahoka High School Student Council visit the home of Roger and Pat Williams to help prepare for the Christmas Tour of Homes this Sunday. StuCo sponsors the annual tour of local homes for the public, donating proceeds to purchase gifts for needy children. StuCo members shown here include, from left, Sarah Box, Leigh McAfee, Kyndel Byrd, Kyndra Selmon, Ashdon Hancock and Cassidy Gandy. This year's Home Tour is set for 7-9 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15, with seven homes on the tour. Tickets, at a cost of \$5, may be purchased at Tahoka High School, The Lynn County News, or at any of the homes that evening. For a complete list of homes, see the advertisement inside this edition of *The News*. (LCN PHOTO)

A.D. Wes Cope Resigns; Tejada Named TISD Officer

by JUANELL JONES

Athletic Director Wes Cope has resigned the AD/Head Football Coach position at Tahoka Independent School District, and school officials are now accepting applications for the position. Superintendent Jimmy Parker told trustees at last week's school board meeting.

Cope has offered no comment to *The News* on his resignation, and Supt. Parker also declined to comment on the situation, noting merely that he has accepted Cope's resignation which is effective at the end of his contract, on June 30. In the meantime, Cope has been reassigned from AD duties to teaching two PE classes and hall monitoring duties, and High School Principal Cliff Gardner has been named interim Athletic Director

until the position can be filled. Cope's salary at TISD is \$51,500.

Supt. Parker said he hopes to have a recommendation for a new AD at the January board meeting, with the intent to have someone in the position by March.

The superintendent also informed trustees of the hiring of Tommy Tejada of Tahoka as the new School Officer. Tejada, a former police officer, began his duties at TISD last week.

One other resignation was noted, that of first grade teacher Kathy Druessedow, who is moving away from the area. Trustees approved an employment agreement to Angela Larpen to fill the teaching position for next semester, which was unanimously approved.

A new administrative position within the district was approved by the board, for a Curriculum Director/Director of Special Programs. Trustees also approved a job description for the new position, and Supt. Parker told *The News* that the job would include overseeing many of the district's special programs such as Title I, Migrant, ESL/Bilingual, and At-Risk programs, as well as handling grant-writing duties, overseeing curriculum alignment throughout the district, breakdown of test data to pinpoint strengths and weaknesses, and assisting principals with campus/district plans and site-base team strategies. The new person would mostly likely have an office at the Harvick Educational Building, where the Superintendent and Business Manager have offices.

"We are opening up the position for applications, with the new person hopefully to start on July 1st," Supt. Parker told *The News*.

In other business, Greg Gilbert of Bolinger, Segars, Gilbert and Moss presented their auditor's report for the 2001-2002 school year to the board. According to official board minutes, Gilbert noted the audit report was "very favorable." Trustees approved the audit as presented.

John Baker presented information regarding the completion of the high school gym heating/air conditioning renovation project. Trustees unanimously approved entering into a Performance Contract with Johnson Controls for the proposed renovation project on the high school/middle school, which includes electrical and heating/air projects. Johnson Controls will oversee contractor bidding on the proposed project.

Supt. Parker was authorized to solicit bids for a new school Suburban, and Elementary Principal James Baker told trustees that the elementary will receive a \$27,473 grant from Head Start for a new piece of playground equipment.

Trustees met in closed session for about an hour and a half to discuss personnel and to conduct their annual evaluation of the Superintendent.



ADRIAN MOORE



BEN STROOPE

Stroope, Moore Named First Team All-District

Ben Stroope, a fierce tackler at linebacker for the Tahoka Bulldogs last season, and Adrian Moore, who led all South Plains pass receivers, were named to the first team All-District 4-AA squads.

Stroope was the leading tackler in just about every game he played in before being injured toward the end of the season. The 185-pound senior also was selected on the second team offense as a tackle.

Moore, a 170-pound senior, was the only Tahoka player named on the first team offense. Stroope and three other Bulldogs, all seniors, were named to the second team offense.

They were Josh Pridmore at wide receiver, Matt Wells at running back, and Brandon McCord, the leading passer in Class AA on the South Plains.

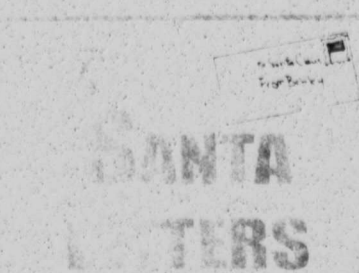
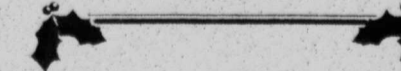
Warren Baker, also a senior, was named to the second team as a defensive back.

Moore and Wells also were given honorable mention on defense. Wells at linebacker and Moore in the secondary. Zach Lindsey was honorable mention on both offense (lineman) and defense (end). And Josh Schwartz, just a sophomore, was honorable mention as an offensive lineman.

December Calendar

- 12th: Open House • 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Ag Texas Farm Credit Services
1928 Lockwood, Tahoka
- 15th: Christmas Concert • 10:55 a.m.
First Baptist Church
1701 Ave. J in Tahoka
- 15th: "Pastor & Friends" Concert • 6:00 p.m.
First United Methodist Church
1801 Ave. J in Tahoka
- 15th: Christmas Program • 6:00 pm
First Baptist Church, Wilson
Fellowship following
- 15th: "The First Christmas" • 7:00 pm
Play presented by Tahoka Trinity Church
1925 Lockwood
- 15th: Tour of Homes • 7:00 to 9:00 pm
Sponsored by Tahoka Student Council
- 16th: Wilson State Bank Open House • 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Wilson - Tahoka
- 16th: Christmas Concert THS Band & Choir • 7:00 pm
Tahoka High School Auditorium
- 18th: Children's Christmas Musical • 6:00 pm
First Methodist Church, Tahoka
- 19th: Open House • 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
First National Bank of Tahoka
1601 S. First St.
- 22nd: "Isaiah Drama" • 6:00 pm
Featuring Glenn Riddle
First Baptist Church, 1701 A. K. Tahoka
- 24th: Christmas Eve Celebration • 6:00 pm
First Baptist Church, Tahoka
- 24th: Christmas Eve Service • 6:00-6:45 pm
First Methodist Church, Tahoka

Call *The Lynn County News*, 561-4888 to be placed on the December events calendar. Any event in the county open to the public may be placed on the calendar.



will be printed in the Dec. 23 Christmas Issue from area school children.

Any pre-school child may also mail a letter to Santa by bringing it to *The Lynn County News*, which will also be included in our Christmas issue.

Deadline: Noon Friday, Dec. 20

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Accident Near O'Donnell Injures Lamesa Woman

A Lamesa woman was injured Saturday evening when the 2001 Ford pickup she was driving was involved in a collision with another pickup towing a utility trailer 1.4 miles north of O'Donnell on U.S. 87.

Shirley Napper, 62, was airlifted by helicopter to Covenant Hospital in Lubbock, where she remained as a patient early this week. Her injuries are believed to be serious, according to an investigating Dept. of Public Safety officer.

Her pickup was headed south, as was the other pickup, a 1996 Chevrolet driven by Gerald Alvin,

65, of Milan, Ill. Neither Alvin nor his wife, Jo Ann, was injured.

Tahoka Police arrested one person for driving while intoxicated, and one on an outstanding warrant during the last week.

In jail during the week were three persons for DWI, and four others on charges of public intoxication, possession of narcotics paraphernalia, possession of marijuana under two ounces, and driving while license suspended.

Total jail population Wednesday was 31, including 10 from Lubbock and five from Dawson County.

Lions Club Family Night Set For Monday

The Lions Club family night Christmas party is scheduled for Monday night, Dec. 16, at 7 p.m. at P.J.'s. Persons attending should bring a casserole and also canned goods for the food pantry. Prospective members are also welcome.

The club is still collecting eye glasses.

Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Dec. 4	39	32	
Dec. 5	40	28	
Dec. 6	45	29	
Dec. 7	57	33	
Dec. 8	48	33	.16"
Dec. 9	44	37	
Dec. 10	55	33	

Total Precip: to date: 17.32"

Senior Citizens MENU

Dec. 16 — 20

Monday — Brisket, scalloped potatoes, fried okra, pickles, wheat roll and apricot cobbler.

Tuesday — Chicken and dumplings, baby limas, carrots, cornbread, oranges and bananas.

Wednesday — Vegetable beef stew, macaroni salad, cornbread and peach cobbler.

Thursday — Lasagna, Italian vegetable or zucchini, tossed salad, Italian garlic bread, and banana pudding.

Friday — Meatloaf, corn spinach, tossed salad, French hot roll, and frosted spice cake.

Choice of tea or milk served with each meal.



PRESENTATION — A framed artwork commemorating a live oak tree planting ceremony held on Nov. 12 at the courthouse was presented to Lynn County officials Monday morning by Bettye Green, President of Phebe K. Warner Club. Club members sponsored the Stephen F. Austin Heritage Oak tree planting on courthouse grounds. A photo of Stephen F. Austin, surrounded by signatures of many who attended the Nov. 12 ceremony, was framed and presented for display at the Lynn County Courthouse. Shown here are, from left, Bettye Green, Commissioners J.T. Miller, Don Blair, Mike Braddock and Don Morton, and County Judge J.F. Brandon.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letter to Editor—
To Whom it May Concern:

I just wanted to take this opportunity to thank you for stealing my chainsaw bear out of my front yard. It is getting pretty bad when you live in a town the size of Tahoka and can't decorate your yard without worrying about someone stealing it.

If you see it, it's about 24" tall, large ears, with a bee on his nose.

Pam Womack

How does she know my name?
She had received her copy of the LCN and mine was stuck inside (just as Pete Laney's was stuck in ours). Guess she was so happy to discover another Austinite who is from Wilson (but I'm not) that she decided to find my name in the phone book and call. I think I really disappointed her. I think she thought I wasn't qualified to be receiving the LCN. But it was fun to get the call. I kept thinking I was going to win something, for sure.

Suggestion: Keep tucking newspapers inside others, and we will all get to know each other!

energy, organizational skills, baked goods, etc. to make this event a tremendous learning experience for Idalou, Post, Roosevelt, Shallowater, and Tahoka students.

Thanks to all the people who gave so graciously of their time and energy to provide this opportunity for our young people. It's ONE MORE TIME that the Tahoka community displays an exceedingly cooperative spirit. No place like it!

Many thanks, Glo Hays
Principal, Tahoka Middle School

Booster Club News

Tahoka Bulldog Booster Club will not meet during the remainder of December. The club will begin meeting after the first of the new year, with more information to be printed in The Lynn County News.

Go, Bulldogs and Lady Dogs Basketball Teams!

Lynn County Merchants Appreciate Your Business!

Dear Editor:
On Nov. 26, 2002, Tahoka Middle School hosted the District 4AA UIL Academic Meet. About 50 adults and 375 students were guests at TMS during this event. Many wonderful people contributed their time.

Obituaries

Tom Jenkins

Graveside services for Tom Jenkins, 81, of Lubbock, were at 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6, in Tahoka Cemetery with Cecil Ray Owen officiating.

He died Wednesday, Dec. 4, 2002.

He was born April 22, 1921, in Prague, Ok., and moved to Tahoka with his family. He served in the Army and was discharged in February 1946. He was employed at Reese Air Force Base for 14 years as a mechanic in the motor pool. He had been a resident of Lubbock for 52 years and was affiliated with the Church of the First Born.

Survivors include a daughter, Janis Jenkins Gonzales of Lubbock; two sisters, LeNora Hill of Hawley and Irene Kinnemer of Arizona; four brothers, Robert of Mineral Wells, Chestley of Granite Shoals, and Jessy Ray and Dan Riley, both of Colorado; and two grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to Lubbock Meals on Wheels, 2304 34th St., Lubbock, Tx. 79411.

We believe that everything and every-one is forgivable.

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We would like to invite all our friends and customers to our

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Thursday, December 19th

from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. in our Community Room.

The Belles of the Bank will serve refreshments and there will be live musical entertainment starting at 12:30 p.m. (to at least 3 p.m.) by Dalton Wood, Lane Curry, Margarita Durand-Kollis, Billie Miles, Alton Kenney, and Marv Gregory.

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Phebe K. Warner Club Presents Picture To County

A framed picture commemorating the Nov. 12 planting of a Stephen F. Austin Heritage Oak tree on Lynn County Courthouse grounds was presented to Lynn County officials Monday morning, during the commissioners court meeting. Bettye Green, President of Phebe K. Warner Club of Tahoka, made the presentation, thanking the county officials for allowing the live oak tree to be planted at the courthouse with a commemorative marker noting the date.

The framed photo of Stephen F. Austin, surrounded by the signatures of many who attended the oak tree planting ceremony, will be hung inside the Lynn County Courthouse. Signatures include county officials, Phebe K. Warner club members, and many children from Tahoka ISD who attended the ceremony in November.

Commissioners considered routine agenda items at the meeting, including monthly bills and in-line budget changes. Some discussion was held on the need for a new copy machine at the courthouse.

Commissioners will have one more meeting before the new year, on Monday, Dec. 16, to pay bills and set holidays for the 2003 year. The courthouse will be closed for Christmas holidays on Dec. 24-26.

Lynn County Judge J.F. Brandon will be retiring at the end of December, with a retirement reception slated for Monday, Dec. 30, from 3-5 p.m. in the District Courtroom. All county offices will be closed during that two-hour time period for the reception.

H.G. Franklin will be officially sworn in as Lynn County Judge during ceremonies set for 1 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31.

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Tahoka

7th Grade Girls Basketball

by Meghan Saldana
The 7th grade girls basketball team, coached by the Shallowater, scored 48 points against the Tawnyee Murillo, Barrientes, Marissa Vistica McLelland, 2 each.

The 7th grade Lady basketball team, coached by the Post Antelopes, scored 28 points against the Murillo, 9; and Pina, 3.

8th Grade Girls Basketball

by Lana Jones
On Monday, Dec. 9, the 8th grade girls traveled to Post Antelopes. The high scorers were Hammonds with 7 points, Hall and Amber Alvarez with 4 points.

On Monday, Dec. 9, the Shallowater Mustangs scored 46-8. The high scorer was Justice with 4 points.

They will be playing in a tournament this coming weekend, Dec. 12-14.

Varsity Boys Basketball

by Warren Baker
The Dogs pounded the Warriors 85-56 on November 26. The Dogs scorer for the Dogs was Nance with 16 points. Nance was close behind Andrews and Warrick with 12 points.

Varsity Girls Basketball

by Kyndel Byrd
The Lady Bulldogs scored 48-34 on



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Ms. Lankford has 5 years. She has two sons "Tahoka Elementary" to teach P.E. I enjoy watching them grow and learn from my parents and student are. Together we are building community, state and nation.

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Matthew 5:1-16, 1

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Tahoka Basketball News

7th Grade Girls Basketball by Meghan Saldana

The 7th grade girls were demolished by the Shallowater Fillies, 15-48. Scorers were Christina Pina, 5; Tawnyee Murillo, 4; Lindsey Barrientz, Marissa Villegas and Jessica McLelland, 2 each.

The 7th grade Lady Dogs chewed up the Post Antelopes, 32-23 on Dec. 2. High scorers were Villegas and Murillo, 9; and Pina, 8.

8th Grade Girls Basketball by Lana Jones

On Monday, Dec. 2, the 8th grade girls traveled to Post and lost 20-37. The high scorers were Jaci Hammonds with 7 points and Haley Hall and Amber Alvarado both with 4 points.

On Monday, Dec. 9, they hosted the Shallowater Mustangs. They lost 46-8. The high scorer was Jaquez Justice with 4 points.

They will be playing in a Post tournament this coming weekend, Dec. 12-14.

Varsity Boys Basketball by Warren Baker

The Dogs pounded the Lubbock Warriors 85-56 on Nov. 26. Leading scorer for the Dogs was Michael Nance with 16 points. Casey Hall was close behind with 13. B.J. Andrews and Warren Baker each added 12 points.

Varsity Girls Basketball by Kyndel Byrd

The Lady Bulldogs defeated Abernathy 48-34 on Dec. 3.

High scorers were Brandi Raindl and Damesha Harris with 10 points, and Meghan Saldana with 7 points.

The Lady Bulldogs finished third in the Levelland tournament Dec. 5-7.

They defeated Ruidoso first winning 73-26. High scorers were Damesha Harris with 24 points, Brandi Raindl with 14 points, and Marissa Chapa and Meghan Saldana with 10 points.

The Lady Dogs were then defeated by Monterey 44-57. High scorers were Saldana with 13 points, Harris with 9 points, and Chapa with 6 points.

The Lady Dogs then defeated Idalou 35-28 for third place. High scorers were Harris with 11 points, Ashdon Hancock with 6 points, and Chapa and Raindl with 5 points.

JV Girls Basketball by Kelly Fancher

The Lady Bulldogs barely defeated the Abernathy Lady Antelopes Tuesday, Dec. 3, at home 43-38. The high scorer was Samantha Andrews with 14 points. Their record is now 5-0.

JV Boys Basketball by Jeanine Wilson

The JV boys played a tournament in Borden County. They lost to Wellman-Union 32-64, Roscoe 54-60, and Ralls 33-64.

Varsity Basketball by Warren Baker

The Dawgs finished up action in



NOAH'S ARK MURAL - Bonita Nance of Plainview, daughter of James and Bonnie Trammell of Tahoka, painted this Noah's Ark mural in the church nursery at Tahoka Trinity Church recently. An artist, she free-handled the detailed artwork in pastel colors along one wall of the nursery. Her sister, Betty Long of Tahoka, also helped with much of the painting of the church.

the Plainview tournament with a tough 70-71 loss to the Muleshoe Mules. Adrian Moore led scoring with 18 points. Close behind were Warren Baker with 16, and B.J. Andrews with 12.

The Dogs began tournament action with a 60-77 loss to the Plainview Bulldogs. B.J. Andrews led scoring with 16 points. Adrian Moore and Ty Gardner each had 11.

Carrie Gregory Accepted In Psi Chi

Carrie Gregory, a sophomore student at McMurry University in Abilene, has been accepted for membership in Psi Chi, the National Honor Society in Psychology. A psychology major, she is among the top 35 percent of psychology students at McMurry.

The daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Marvin Gregory of Tahoka, Carrie is a graduate of Tahoka High School. Induction ceremonies for Psi Chi will be held in late January or February.

Tuesday Is Deadline For Phebe K. Warner Scholarship Donations

Those desiring to contribute funds to the Phebe K. Warner Club scholarship are reminded that the deadline is next Tuesday.

"This is a reminder for people in our community to greet one another at Christmas and to contribute to the Phebe K. Warner Club Scholarships. The funds have helped many young people in the Tahoka area to further their education. We invite everyone to take part in this," said a sponsor.

Contributions may be left with any teller at the First National Bank in Tahoka by Dec. 17, or call Bennie Carter at 561-5070, or any member of Phebe K. Warner Club to take your

The Lynn County News encourages you to attend church this Sunday!

contribution to the bank. Contributors' names will appear on the Community Christmas Greeting in the Christmas issue of The Lynn County News.

"We shall greatly appreciate your help in this project," said a club member.

Lucky Leaf Club News

by Kourtney Sodd

Lynn County 4-H club met Nov. 14 at The Center. Six adults, 14 Clover kids and 14 Lucky Leaf members attended.

The program was given by Elizabeth Jones. The Bingham's offered refreshments.

Details to come on consumer decision in the next report.

Livestock Association Fundraiser Set Dec. 15

The Wilson Livestock Association will host its annual BBQ Dinner and Auction on Sunday, Dec. 15 in the Wilson school cafeteria. This event helps raise money for local FFA and 4-H members to pay for premiums at the local and county stock shows.

The meal will begin at 11 a.m. and run until 1 p.m. or until they run out of food. The auction will start at 12:30 p.m.

"Don't miss your chance to pick up some last minute Christmas presents or stocking stuffers and to help our local kids in representing our community with their animals," said one association member.

Anyone wishing to donate an item for the auction may contact Brent McDonald at 628-6201 or Roxanne Evans at 628-6539 for pickup.


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Who's Who at **Lynn County Schools**



Lynn Lankford
Tahoka Elementary
P.E. Teacher

Ms. Lankford has been with TISD for 15 years. She has two sons, Lance and Brad. "Tahoka Elementary is a wonderful place to teach P.E. I enjoy watching my students grow and learn from age 5 to 12. The staff, parents and student are great to work with. Together we are building the future of our community, state and nation," she added.



Kevin Shepard
Texas History/Coach, Tahoka

This is Mr. Shepard's first year with TISD. He and his wife, Nicole, have three children - Britney, Ashley and Keva. "The best thing I have experienced are the people. The whole community is extraordinarily supportive from the parents, colleagues, all the way to the Tahoka alumni. This community has embraced my family and we hope to be here a long time," he added.

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Tahoka School Menu

Dec. 12-16
Breakfast

Monday: Cereal Graham Crackers, Orange Juice, Milk
Tuesday: Cinnamon Rolls, Apple Juice, Milk
Wednesday: Pancake & Sausage Sticks, Fruit Punch Juice, Milk
Thursday: Mini Loaf Blueberry, Pineapple Juice, Milk
Friday: Cereal and Graham Crackers, Orange Juice, Milk


Lunch

Monday: Corn Dogs, French Fries, Peaches, Milk
Tuesday: Baked Ham, Cream Potatoes, Carrots & Sweet Peas, Hot Rolls, Cookie, Milk
Wednesday: Pepperoni/Cheese Pizza, Mixed Salad, Cherry Shape-ups, Apple, Milk
Thursday: Choice of Steak Fingers or Chicken Nuggets with Gravy, or Chicken Patty and Green Beans, Orange Halves, Roll, Milk
Friday: Hamburger/Cheeseburger, Tater Tots, Onions, Lettuce, Pickles, PK-3 Purple Plums, 4-12 Purple Plum Cobbler

You are invited to ...

"The First Christmas"

a play presented in the church sanctuary of



TAHOKA TRINITY CHURCH
7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15
1925 Lockwood • Tahoka, Texas

Questions and Answers of the Day
Matthew 5:1-16, Matthew 11:9-14, Matthew 18: 11-14, Matthew 19:21, John 3

Question: Does God care how you dress when you come to church?

Answer: Well, I guess if you run out and buy clothes and wearing apparel that is not Christ-like, or you purposely dress to shock people in an ungodly way, then, yes, it matters to Him. Some of us have only the clothes and shoes we have. Don't let your wearing apparel or lack of funds keep you from God and His house. If there are those who have a problem with what you are wearing, then they are free to do the Christian thing and provide you with clothing you need. **Matthew 25:35-46.** Do you remember John the Baptist? He was the only man chosen to baptize the saviour Jesus Christ. He was Jesus' blood cousin. He was chosen to pave the way for Jesus. God held John the Baptist in high esteem. John ran around in the same suit of clothes and pair of shoes day in and day out. If how John dressed mattered to God, God would not have used him. John's suit wasn't Armani and his shoes were not Dockers. I don't think he had a trimming kit for all the facial hair he was developing. There probably wasn't many hygiene products packed away in that camel hair suit. John went as he was. To some, John might have been a sight to make the eyes sore. To others he was a sight for sore eyes. Come today -- God loves you the way He found you.
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(as of Monday, December 9, 2002)

New Home Coop Gin - Lakeview	32,925
Farmers Coop Gin - O'Donnell	29,125
Wilson Coop Gin - Wilson	19,813
Woolam Gin - O'Donnell	16,008
Farmers Coop Assn. #1 - Tahoka	16,867
Wells Coop Gin	13,000
Hackberry Coop Gin - Post	11,789
Dempsey Gin - Draw	3,652
Grassland Coop Gin	3,300
Circle S Gin - Petty	2,876
TOTAL	149,355

Masonic Lodge 1041 Meets

On Nov. 25, seven members and one guest met for study night. Everyone enjoyed the fellowship, pie and coffee.

In the Dec. 3 meeting, 11 members and six guests enjoyed turkey and dressing prepared by Troy and Lee Moore, rolls and cobbler by Robert and Kittie Woodfin, potato salad and cake by Doug and Jan Taylor, pie and cake by Steve and Rose Huskey, cookies by Pete and Mary Dean Stricklin, and ice by Leighton and Joan Knox, and tea by Frank and Pat Eaker.

When the business meeting was over, Steve Huskey presented all lodge members present a knife or a handman. An oven rack pulled made by Robert Woodfin was presented by Kittie Woodfin to all the ladies present.

There will not be a study night in December. The next lodge meeting will be Jan. 7, 2003, and the next study night is set for Jan. 27.

Poinsettia Is Not Poisonous

by Bryan Reynolds, Lynn County Extension Service

The widespread belief that poinsettias are poisonous is a misconception. The scientific evidence demonstrating the poinsettia's safety is ample and well documented.

Studies conducted by The Ohio State University in cooperation with the Society of American Florists concluded that no toxicity was evident at experimental ingestion levels far exceeding those likely to occur in a home environment. In fact, the POISINDEX Information Service, the primary information resource used by most poison control centers, states that a 50-pound child would have to ingest over 500 poinsettia bracts to surpass experimental doses. Yet even at this high level, no toxicity was demonstrated.

As with all ornamental plants, poinsettias are not intended for human or animal consumption, and certain individuals may experience an allergic reaction to poinsettias. However, the poinsettia has been demonstrated to be a safe plant. In fact, in 1992, the poinsettia was included on the list of houseplants most helpful in removing pollutants from indoor air. So, not only is the poinsettia a safe and beautiful addition to your holiday decor, it can even help keep your indoor air clean.

(Source: The Paul Ecke Poinsettia Ranch.)

Water Management Conference Slated Here Dec. 17

The 4th Annual Lynn/Garza Counties Water Management Conference is scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 17 at the Center for Housing and Community Development in Tahoka (located at 1400 Ave. K). Registration will begin at 8 a.m. and the conference will conclude with a noon meal.

Natural Resource Conservation Service, irrigation industry, Texas Cooperative Extension Service, and High Plains Underground Water Conservation District personnel will be on hand to discuss water management strategies and issues. Topics to be discussed include: Renozzling Center pivots, Soil Moisture Monitoring, Drip System Maintenance, Safety, Understanding Test Results, Cost Share Opportunities, and a producer panel to discuss water management strategies.

Pesticide license holders will receive three CEU's. For more information, contact Bryan Reynolds at 806-561-4562, Greg Jones at 806-495-4400 or Mario Avila at 806-998-4501.

The WILSON News

by Amanda Donald • 628-0048
camp_amanda@hotmail.com

School Board To Meet

The Wilson Independent School District Board of Trustees will meet in regular session Thursday, Dec. 12 at 7 p.m. Agenda items include employee/student recognitions, a public hearing on the AEIS report, attendance credit purchase agreement with Dawson ISD, and consideration of an interlocal agreement to participate in the West Texas Food Service Cooperative. The board will also make their annual evaluation of Superintendent Mike Jones.

Christmas Program

First Baptist Church of Wilson is presenting "A Song Was Born At Christmas" this Sunday, Dec. 15 at 6 p.m. The Christmas program involves children, youth and adults, and the public is invited to attend. A fellowship will be held following the program, with the church providing refreshments.

Wilson School Menu

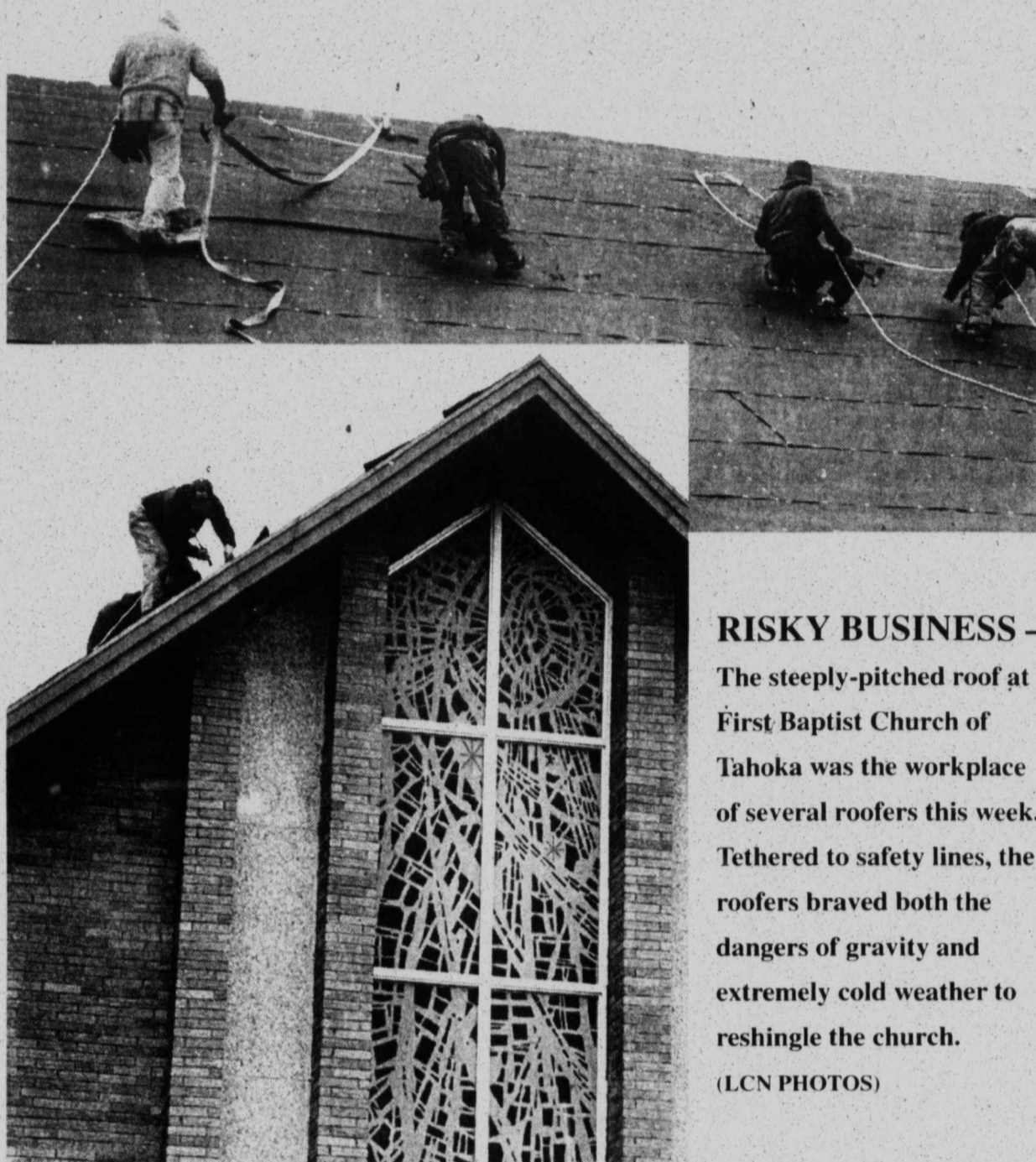
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Breakfast

Monday - Biscuit, gravy, juice.
Tuesday - Scrambled eggs, hash browns, toast, juice.
Wednesday - Donut and juice.
Thursday - Egg sausage, cheese bake, toast, juice.
Friday - Sausage pancake on stick, juice.

Lunch

Monday - Chicken nuggets, gravy, fries, Texas toast, fruit.
Tuesday - Cheeseburger, lettuce, tomato, onion, pickles, fries, and fruit.
Wednesday - Stuffed potato, salad, crackers, fruit.
Thursday - Pizza, salad, carrot sticks, fruit.
Friday - Hoagies, chips, carrot sticks and fruit.
Milk is served with each meal.



RISKY BUSINESS -

The steeply-pitched roof at First Baptist Church of Tahoka was the workplace of several roofers this week. Tethered to safety lines, the roofers braved both the dangers of gravity and extremely cold weather to reshingle the church.

(LCN PHOTOS)

Christmas Festival Set Dec. 14-15 In Civic Center

The 12th annual South Plains Christmas Arts and Crafts Festival will be held Dec. 14 and 15 in the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. Artists and crafters from throughout the Southwest will fill the main exhibit hall with original art, limited edition prints and handcrafted items. Hours for the festival are Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. There is no admission charge.

Mel Prather, organizer for the upcoming festival, said the show

would feature a number of first-time exhibitors to the Lubbock area. "Some of these newcomers will offer items such as handmade purses, framed prints, decorated baskets, fabric crafts, Acoma pottery, handbuilt pottery, barnwood crosses and shelves, deer antler lamps, paintings on leather and glass, goat's milk soap and lotions, handmade dolls, handcarved pen and pencil sets, handmade knives, and barbecue stands," Prather said.

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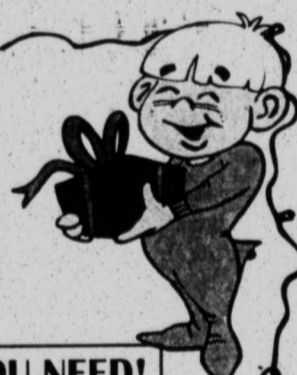
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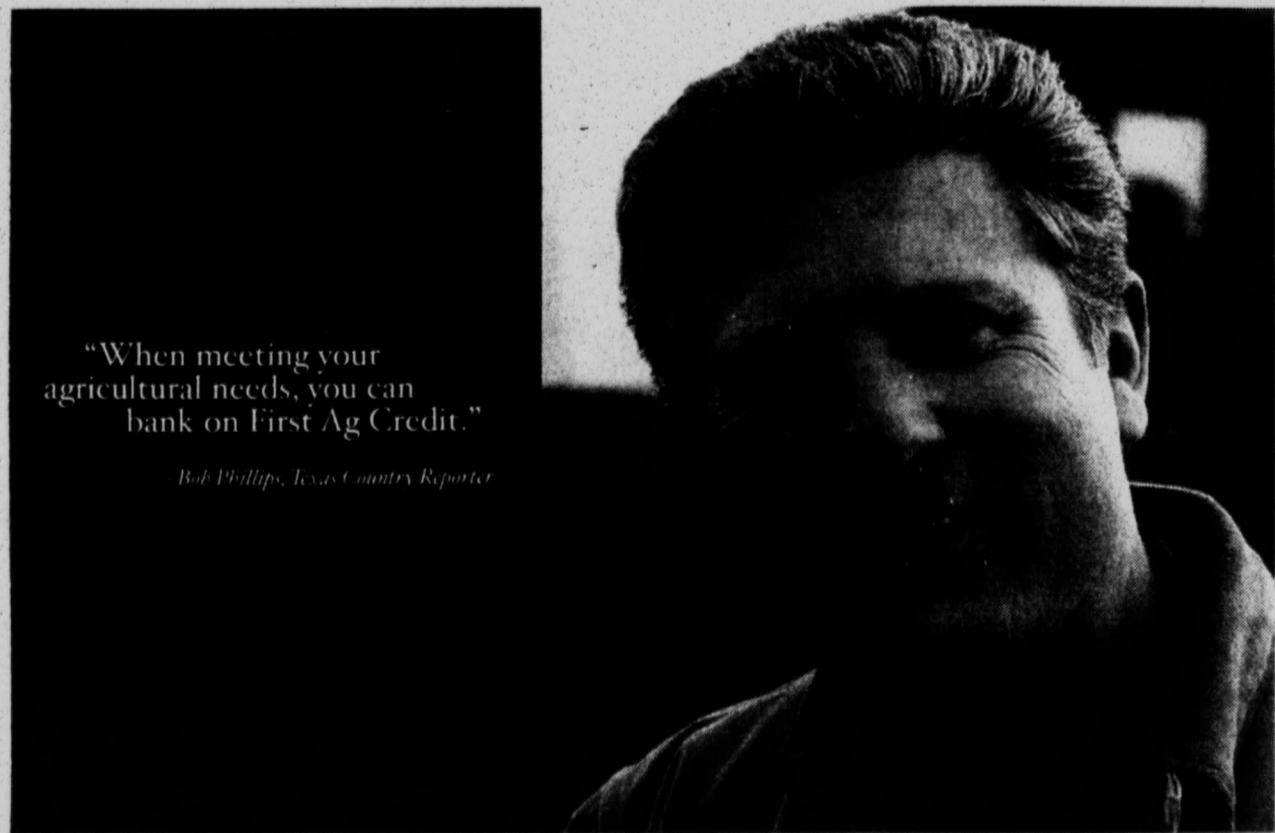
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- (3) 1992 Dodge Caravan Minivan
- (4) 1994 GMC Sierra Pickup
- (5) 1994 Ford F-150 Pickup
- (6) 1994 Ford Aerostar Minivan

The vehicles may be inspected at the Tahoka City Warehouse, located at 1400 N. 5th Street, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. The sealed bids may be mailed to City of Tahoka, P.O. Box 300, Tahoka, Texas 79373, or delivered to Tahoka City Hall, located at 1612 Lockwood. Bids will be accepted from December 16, 2002 until January 15, 2003. The vehicles will be sold AS IS and the terms of the sale will be cash, cashier's check, or money order to be paid the day of the sale.

The City of Tahoka reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.
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BID NOTICE

Lynn County Hospital District (LCHD) is currently accepting bids for the upgrade of its billing and financial computer hardware and software applications. Interested parties should provide a detailed bid and proposal, which includes design plans, specifications for hardware and software, and operating specifics by December 19, 2002. Contact Jim Morris at 806-998-4533 Ext. 314 for further information. 49-2tc

REQUEST FOR SEALED BIDS

Tahoka ISD is requesting sealed bids for one (1), 2003 Chevrolet or GMC Suburban or equivalent. Sealed bids will be accepted until 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 8th at which time bids will be opened and examined. The bids will be considered by the Board of Trustees on Thursday, January 9th at 7:30 p.m. Bids delivered after deadline will be returned unopened. All bids should be sealed and clearly marked "Vehicle Bid". Facsimile bids will not be accepted. Bid specifications may be obtained by calling the superintendent's office at 806-561-4105 or Fax 806-561-4160. Bids should be mailed or delivered to:

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED INCREASE IN SERVICE CHARGES

On December 6, 2002 Atmos Energy filed a Statement of Intent to change its service charges with the Railroad Commission of Texas and each incorporated city listed below. The proposed changes will take effect no sooner than 35 days after filing.

The proposed increase will not effect the Company's other gas rate schedules. The change will apply to Residential, Commercial, Small Industrial, and Public Authority customers. The Company proposes the following increased service charges:

	During Business Hours	After Hours
Turn on new service with meter set	\$32.00	\$48.00
Turn on service (shut-in test required)	\$23.50	\$35.25
Turn on service (meter read only required)	\$15.00	\$22.50
Reconnect delinquent service or service temporarily off at customer's request	\$37.50	\$56.25
Miscellaneous service calls	\$11.25	\$16.88

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Copies of the filing are available at the Atmos Energy Office at 5110 80th, Lubbock, TX 79408-1121, or a local Atmos Energy Office nearest to you. Affected persons whose gas rates are subject to the original jurisdiction of the Railroad Commission may file in writing comments or a protest concerning the proposed changes with the Docket Services Section of the Legal Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711-2967, at any time within 30 days following the date on which the change would or has become effective.

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FFA Auction Cookout Set For January 4

The New Home FFA Auction hamburger cookout is set for Saturday, January 4 at 6:30 in the School Cafeteria.

A spokesman for the group said they would like to invite everyone to their annual FFA auction and join in on the fun. "If you are interested in donating, contact James Tabor at 806-924-7584 or mail donations to New Home FFA, Box 248, New Home, Tx, 79383."

Proceeds go to the New Home FFA Chapter to help buy the FFA members' animals at the Lynn County Stock Show. The spokesman also said, "We need your support and help, it's just a few short weeks away!"

The New Home Stock Show is scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 11.



CRASH LANDING - Santa and his reindeer must have had a crash landing here, with packages tossed every which way from the sleigh and Santa ending up hanging by an elbow in the tree at the home of Starr Bray at the corner of N. 2nd and Ave. L in Tahoka. (LCN PHOTO)

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Area Students Named To Who's Who

Over 80 students from this area are included in the 36th Annual Edition of *Who's Who Among American High School Students*, 2001-2002.

Students are nominated to *Who's Who* by high school principals and guidance counselors, national youth groups, churches and educational organizations based upon students' academic achievement and involvement in extracurricular activities.

The 36th Annual Edition of *Who's Who Among American High School Students*, 2001-2002, features over 850,000 students or just six percent of the nation's 15 million high school students. *Who's Who* students compete for \$200,000 in scholarship awards.

Lynn County students named to *Who's Who* include:

Allison L. Barrett, Susan G. Bartsch, Mary M. Bond, Mark J. Cano, Jayce E. Clayton, Mark A. Eaker, Erica Gutierrez, Tiffany V. Hernandez, Amber N. Mott, Luke Price, Sebastian R. Rodriguez, Kaci D. Vestal, Kristin J. Willis, Jasmine L. Barron, Jenna L. Bessire, Oscar Calzada Jr., Anthony Castillo, Josh D. Dorman, Aaron M. Escobedo, Micah D. Hensley, Jonathan M. Rayburn, Senaida Rodriguez, Karen R. Wells, Sabra Willis, Solana Augero, Blake Ashcraft, Kalah Bartley, Keely Boone, Logan Cannon, Victoria Charo, Miranda J. Gomez, Nicole Green, Mauria R. Gutierrez, Kalesse Hammonds, Jessica Holder, Lana Jones, Lance Lankford, Jon Luna, and Clayton McAllister.

Also, Chelsey Miller, Diana Pena, Lindsay Preston, Jerid Bridmore, Mandy Sanders, Kyndra Selmon, Chris Ashbrook, D'Lea Autry, Lindsey Bishop, Kyndel Byrd, Marissa Chapa, Angela Curtis, Corey Green, Crystal M. Gutierrez, Zachery J. Gutierrez, Heather R. Henry, Nicholas C. Holloway, Aubrey Kieth, Cory J. Lopez, Leigh McAfee, Ashley McNeely, Crystal Moseley, Dorothy Perez, Josh Pridmore, Haleigh Ross, Katie Schoppa, Jeanine Wilson, Casey Bolyard, Brady Cross, Lorena Gonzalez, David Perez, Misti Shipley, Justin L. Smith, Krista Wilke, Jamie Cavender, Heather D. Evans, David Perez, Richard Valdez, Michael J. Garcia, and Effren Silva.

Social Security Rep Available In Brownfield

Social Security representatives are in Brownfield every fourth Tuesday from 8:30 until 10:30 a.m. at the XYZ Club, 101 South Ave. D. The phone number at that location is 637-6703.

Anyone wanting to visit with a Social Security representative may do so during that time. The next visit is Jan. 28, followed by Feb. 25, Mar. 25, Apr. 22, May 27 and June 24.

New Home School Menu

Dec. 16 - 20

Breakfast

Monday — Cinnamon pastry.
Tuesday — Fruit pie.
Wednesday — Pop Tart.
Thursday — French toast sticks.
Friday — Biscuit/Sausage.

Lunch

Monday — Pizza dippers, lettuce, tomato, carrot, cucumber, peaches with grapes.
Tuesday — Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes, green beans, blueberry blooming cake, hot rolls.
Wednesday — Bean and cheese burrito, lettuce, tomato, carrot cucumber, spanish rice, apricot cup.
Thursday — Steak finger basket, french fries, juice bar, gravy.
Friday — Sack lunch, ham and cheese sandwich, pickle pears, baby carrots, chips, cookie.
Milk is served with each meal.

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NEWS FROM NEW HOME ISD

by NHHS Journalism Students

Lady Leopards Swallow Lady Longhorns

By Amanda Villarreal
On Tuesday, Nov. 3, the Lady Leopards' faced off with the Lady Longhorns. The Lady Leopards had no trouble with taking the win from the Lady Longhorns. The Final score was 40-19.

Top scorers: Lauren Wied, 13, and Stephanie Kieth, 10.

Lady Antelopes Crush Lady Leopards

On Friday, Dec. 6, the Lady Leopards played the Whiteface Lady Antelopes. The Lady Leopards played hard but fell short to the Lady Antelopes. The final score was 21-53.

Top scorer was Stephanie Kieth with 10.

Lady Leopards Scratch Cowgirls

On Saturday, Dec. 7, the Lady Leopards faced off with the Plains Cowgirls in the final game of the Whiteface tournament. The Cowgirls were no match for the Lady Leopards. The final score was 34-19.

Top scorers: Lauren Wied, 14, Brittany Kieth, 13, and Stephanie Kieth, 8.

Eagles Claw Lady Leopards

By Sierra Estrada
Thursday, Dec. 5, the New Home junior varsity played the Southland Lady Eagles with a score of 29-27 Southland in the Wilson tournament. Top scorer for New Home was Stefanie White with 14.

Lady Leopards Tame Lady Bulldogs

On Friday, Dec. 6, the Lady Leopards played the Loraine Lady Bulldogs and came out victorious 50-17. Top scorers for New Home were Stefanie White, 22, Laura Maeker, 11, and Romica Cordova with 10 points.

JV Cages Cardinals

Saturday, Dec. 7, New Home's JV played the Hermleigh Lady Cardinals and came out with a 27-19 victory. Top scorer for New Home was Stefanie White with 15 points.

Hornets Sting Costs Leopards A Victory

By Desiree Garza
Dec. 5-7 the Leopards participated in the Whiteface tournament. Their first challenge was to play the Sudan Hornets on Dec. 5. The final score was 67-37 in favor of the Hornets.

High scorers were Cody Kieth with 15, and Justin Garza with 10.

Leopards Earn First Victory In Whiteface Tourney

On Friday, Dec. 6, the Leopards played yet another game in the Whiteface tournament. Their opponents for this game were the Lazbuddie Longhorns. The final score was 53-43 in favor of the Leopards, earning the Leopards their first victory in the tournament.

High scorer was Cody Kieth with 18 points.

Eagles Soar Over Leopards

On Saturday, Dec. 7, the guys played their final game against the Seagraves Eagles. The final score was 50-41 in favor of the Eagles.

High scorer for their game was Tanner Johnston with 13 points.

Lady Leopards Win

By Cristina Vitolas
On Monday, Dec. 9, the J.H. Lady Leopards played against the Southland Lady Eagles. The final score of the game was 32-10 in favor of the Lady Leopards.

High scorer of the game was Natalie Bruton with 7 points.

The J.H. Lady Leopards next game will be on Monday, Dec. 16, against Wilson.

New Home School Calendar

Dec. 16 — 20
Monday — Jr. High will host Wilson.
Tuesday — New Home hosts Roosevelt.
Wednesday — K-6 Christmas party at 2 p.m.; 7th - 12th finals.
Thursday — 7th - 12th finals; early release at 1:20.
Friday — K - 6th assembly at 8:30 in the cafeteria. Early release at 1:20; 7th - 12th finals; New Home hosts Ropes at 1:30.

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