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Newlywed Couple Killed In Head-On Crash Here

A young Lubbock couple married just six days died Friday when their compact car headed south on U.S. 87 smashed head-on into a 1995 Ford pickup driven by an O'Donnell man whose vehicle was traveling north in the southbound lane, according to investigating officers.

Marisa Hernandez, 21, reportedly was killed instantly in the collision two miles north of Tahoka in a construction area where traffic had been funneled down into what normally would have been two northbound lanes. Her husband, Adam Hernandez, 23, who was driving their 1990 Chevrolet Cavalier, died about nine hours later in Covenant Medical Center, where he was taken by helicopter.

The driver of the pickup, Lonnie

Doyle, 65, was treated at Lynn County Hospital for bruises and abrasions, and then released.

A 1994 Mercury Cougar, traveling behind the Cavalier, apparently was sideswiped and ended up in the center median. The driver of that car was later identified as Ramon Rivera, no age listed, of Odessa. He apparently was not injured.

Added to the jail population this week were two persons, one for possession marijuana under two ounces. The other was an 18-year-old Brownfield girl arrested by Tahoka Police for public intoxication.

Total jail population as of Wednesday morning was 34, including 11 held for Lubbock County and six held for Dawson County.



TWO KILLED—Two persons were killed Friday morning just north of Tahoka when the car shown above collided with the pickup shown below. The young couple in the car had been married just six days; she died on impact and her husband died early Friday night. The driver of the pickup suffered apparent minor injuries. (LCN PHOTOS by Juanell Jones)



The Lynn County News will close at noon Christmas Eve and will be closed the rest of that week for Christmas. We will re-open at 9:00 a.m. Monday, Dec. 30 with an early deadline that day of 5:00 p.m. for the Jan. 1 New Year's Day issue, and will be closed New Year's Day.



Holiday List For 2003 Approved

Lynn County Commissioners met Monday morning, approving a list of holidays for the 2003 year and approving monthly bills.

Line item transfers were approved as presented, and commissioners approved a resolution giving support to the Volunteers and the Northwest Texas Museum Association, Inc. for their efforts in pursuing the application process with the Texas Historical Commission to make the Texas Plains Trail a reality in West Texas and Plains Trails Region of Texas.

Commissioners went into closed executive session for about 20 minutes regarding issues pertaining to the county jail and personnel, but took no official action upon returning to open session. They voted to recess until 9 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 18.

Commissioner J.T. Miller presided at the meeting, due to the absence of County Judge J.F. Brandon, and the other three commissioners were present, including Don Morton, Don Blair and Mike Braddock.

Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Dec. 11	59	34	
Dec. 12	56	33	
Dec. 13	57	30	
Dec. 14	64	30	
Dec. 15	73	34	
Dec. 16	71	35	
Dec. 17	74	45	
Total Precip. to date: 17.32"			

or other exceptions. Seven volunteers are certified as EMT-Basic, four are certified as EMT-Intermediates, and one is an EMT-Paramedic, and there (See EMS, page 2)

O'Donnell To Lose Local EMS Service

by JUANELL JONES

O'Donnell residents are losing their local Emergency Medical Service (EMS) ambulance service this week, when the O'Donnell Volunteer EMS officially ends its service at midnight Friday, Dec. 20, ending 26 years of volunteer service to the O'Donnell community. The area will be covered under the Lynn County Hospital District EMS service, which operates out of Tahoka, so the response time will most likely take longer than what O'Donnell residents are accustomed.

The decision to close the O'Donnell EMS was reached after much soul-searching, according to Jeanie Stone, Director of the Lynn County Hospital District EMS service in Tahoka, said that their 15-member volunteer EMS service will provide emergency service to the O'Donnell area, as it does for the rest of the county (and has provided service to O'Donnell in the past when needed).

However, LCHD EMS, as do most ambulance services, charges a fee for services provided, billed through the hospital's business office. O'Donnell EMS did not charge any fees to the patient for ambulance service, so that will be a change for O'Donnell residents who were accustomed to free ambulance service. LCHD EMS bases its fees on Medicare guidelines, with fees varying according to the level of care provided, mileage, and other factors. The fee for a basic ambulance run is \$295, plus mileage, Mrs. Stone said.

LCHD EMS is operated under the auspices of Lynn County Hospital District, with Mrs. Stone employed as EMS Director. Currently, the EMS service is staffed with 15 volunteers (including Mrs. Stone), who are on-call 24 hours-a-day, seven-days-a-week, with no time off for holidays

just tough to find anybody who can be on the service and be on-call," she explained. The O'Donnell EMS service began in 1976, and has operated with a local telephone number for residents to call for emergency response. After Friday, Dec. 20, that local telephone number will no longer be in service, and O'Donnell residents should call the emergency 9-1-1 phone number for all emergencies requiring ambulance service. The 9-1-1 emergency line is answered at the Lynn County Law Enforcement Center, which then dispatches ambulance service when needed.

"I'm 62 years old - I should have retired from the EMS years ago, but I just hated to quit when we have so few people on the service," said Mrs. Bairrington. She has been a volunteer EMT in O'Donnell for 19-12 years, starting in 1983.

"All of us 'old' ones (who have been in the service for years) got old, and some died, and some just got tired and quit. Years ago, there were more people who didn't work, but now that is no longer the case. It's



MOST PEOPLE I know have a fear of something, either secretly or openly. I thought about this a few years ago as I read a story in the Lubbock newspaper, written by Marty Reeves, about phobias. His story talked about a guy who starts choking and shaking every time he sits down for a meal. The man who had this choking phobia started having these panic attacks, which lasted about three months, after the first attack when he actually choked on a piece of food. He had to quit dining outside his home because he feared a choking attack in a public restaurant.

It didn't say where he first choked on his food, but I think I have eaten at that place.

Anyway, the gist of the story is that lots of people have phobias. "More common fears than choking that cause panic attacks among people," said the story, "include phobias toward germs, airplanes, animals and witnessing bloody injuries."

It quotes a psychologist as saying that when people experience panic attacks, symptoms can include an accelerated heartbeat, hot flashes, shallow breathing and sweaty palms. I never feel that way at restaurants until the waiter brings the check.

My encyclopedia says that "some common phobias are fear of public places, high places, closed spaces, social situations, death, the dark, animals, foreigners or other groups of people, meteorological events and electricity. Phobia sufferers may experience a variety of symptoms, including dizziness, palpitations, nausea and immobilization.

"Cause of phobia is unknown, but there are theories that they are the result of a single frightening experience with the thing feared, that phobias mask anxieties dating from childhood; that phobias are "learned" gradually over a long period of time; and that phobias result from distorted thoughts about the thing feared."

Three forms of phobias mentioned in the A-J article are:

A *specific phobia*, or a fear of a particular object or situation. (Like a quarterback looking up to see Warren Sapp and Bruce Smith glowering at him... or an eligible young woman imagining that the only man left in the world is Jesse Jackson).

Social phobia, a fear of being painfully embarrassed in a social setting. (I sometimes dream I am naked in church or in the middle of some big crowd. However, some psychologists say this means you are afraid of being found out as the lousy person you really are).

Agoraphobia, which often accompanies panic disorder, is a fear of being in any situation that might provoke a panic attack, or from which escape might be difficult if one occurred.

I couldn't find a list of the names of the phobias, but I do know that acrophobia is a fear of heights. Canadi-hydrophobia is a fear of having to drink Canadian River water, which might rot your insides like it does the inside of our water pipes.

As Christmas approaches, a lot of parents will get Claustrophobia, a fear of Santa Claus.

Early Deadlines:

The Lynn County News will have early deadlines the next two weeks due to Christmas and New Year's holidays:

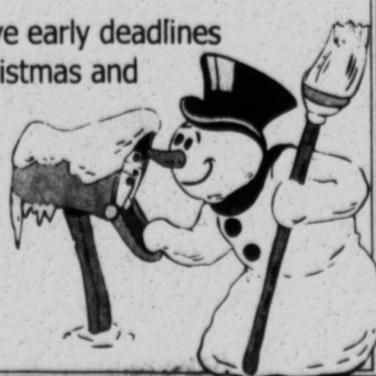
DEADLINES:

Friday, Dec. 20 for the

Dec. 24 Christmas edition

Monday, Dec. 30 for the

Jan. 1 New Year's edition



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MR. and MRS. MARGARITO CHAPA

Tahoka Couple Celebrates Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Margarito Chapa of Tahoka celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary Dec. 16. Chapa and the former Carolina Deleon were married Dec. 16, 1944 in Tahoka.

The couple has five children, Adolph Chapa, Chris Rangel, and Andrew Chapa, all of Tahoka; Manuela Torres of Lubbock; and Frances Saldana of Waco.

They have 13 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Beware of the half-truth. You may have gotten hold of the wrong half.

—Seymour Essrog

EMS ...

(continued from page 1)

are three who serve as ambulance drivers. At least two certified EMTs must respond to every emergency call, and usually three volunteers man the ambulance on each run. The service has two ambulances, one of which is older and used as the backup ambulance and for transfers when needed.

The hospital district pays \$20 per run to each volunteer who makes a run, paid monthly to the LCHD EMS volunteers. According to Mrs. Bairrington, Lynn County Hospital also paid \$20 per run for each volunteer in the O'Donnell EMS, even though their EMS service is not operated through the hospital. LCHD offered the \$20/run payment to the O'Donnell EMS service to be provided in the O'Donnell area because it allowed LCHD EMS less coverage area.

"That money, instead of being paid to our volunteers, went directly into a fund to pay for our EMS ambulance service and maintenance," Mrs. Bairrington explained. "Our volunteers were not paid anything — we just felt like the money needed to go to maintain the service."

The O'Donnell EMS has one ambulance, which made 88 runs last year, according to Mrs. Bairrington. "We are going to keep our ambulance and equipment, and maybe someday start up again if we can get the personnel," she said, noting that the decision to end the EMS service was a hard decision to make.

"We very deeply regret the necessity of this decision, but we no longer have response personnel to man the ambulance. We sincerely appreciate

the love and support O'Donnell has given us for 26 years, and will always be grateful to have had the opportunity to serve the community," said Mrs. Bairrington.

LCHD EMS responds to approximately 350 calls a year. With the addition of the O'Donnell area, LCHD EMS will have a coverage area of 892 square miles. LCHD EMS will be working with Borden County EMS and Dawson County EMS to ensure the quickest response time possible to areas south and southeast of O'Donnell, the director said.

LCHD EMS has been operating since 1973. Before that time, the only ambulance service in the county was provided by a local funeral home. In 1973 LCHD took over ambulance operations, but the volunteers at that time were not trained in prehospital care. The early members have said that they worked with the "scoop and run" policy, mostly serving as emergency transportation to get patients to the local hospital. These first volunteers were notified by telephone and often were on call for two weeks at a time due to lack of personnel.

In 1983, LCHD EMS, as it operates today, was organized. Volunteers serve on a rotating basis as their schedules allow, wearing pagers when on-call, and even when not on-call in case backup assistance is needed.

As is the case with most volunteer services, all of the LCHD EMS members (except for the Director) have other full time jobs. Kathy Long, Billy Flores, Traci Reed and Director Jeanie Stone are all employed by LCHD. Dee Dee Pridmore is employed by Puka Lambro, Bobby Jolly, Jr., Todd Henry and Andrew Chapa are employed by Lyntegar Electric Cooperative. Kent Stone farms east of Tahoka and Ramiro Resendez works for the Texas Highway Department. Vondell Elliott is co-owner of The Lynn County News, and Daniel Garvin is currently enrolled in the Lubbock Fire School. Ginger Henry works for Stringer Insurance and Janie Isbell is church secretary for the First United Methodist Church of Tahoka. Donnie Henry works as an EMT-Paramedic for Lubbock EMS.

Wilson ISD earned additional distinction in the new Gold Performance Acknowledgements as follows: Advanced Academic Courses taken 2000-2001, TAAS/TASP

One Resigns, Two Hired At Wilson School District

One resignation was reported and two new employees were hired at the Wilson ISD Board of Trustees regular monthly meeting held last Thursday.

Superintendent Mike Jones reported that Brent McDonald, high school Agriculture Science instructor, resigned to take a position with Wells Fargo Bank, and trustees approved hiring Shane Fuller, a December graduate of Lubbock Christian University, to teach high school science/coach and Ben Cozart, a December graduate of Tarleton State University, to teach Agriculture Science, both on employee agreements.

Trustees approved a proclamation recognizing elementary and junior high UIL medal winners and coaches for their accomplishments in the District Literary Meet.

A public hearing was held to discuss the Academic Excellence Indicator System (AEIS) District results for 2001-2002. The superintendent noted that copies of the report will be kept in the elementary and high school offices for parents or the public to review. Wilson ISD holds an accountability rating of Recognized by the Texas Education Agency for the success students have achieved on the state test and other measurable areas.

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Equivalency (Class of 2001), and the number of students that graduated under the more rigorous standards of the Recommended High School Program (Class of 2001). Trustees noted the need to continue to improve writing percentages and accelerated instruction with students in need of assistance in math.

In other business the board approved an attendance agreement with Dawson ISD to sell one attendance credit for the 2002-2003 school year, and approved an Interlocal agreement to participate in the West Texas Food Service Cooperative. Supt. Jones reported on the CHOICES alternative school.

The board went into closed session for a brief personnel discussion and took no action upon returning to open session.

Trustees conducted a work session to revise the superintendent evaluation format.

Recognized at the beginning of the meeting were students and employee of the month, including: Jordan Guzman, son of Robert and Vivian Guzman, as the Elementary Student of the Month; Brady Evans, daughter of Dan and Roxanne Evans, as the Junior High Student of the Month; and Blake Talkmitt, son of Randy and Marcia Talkmitt, as the High School Student of the Month. Brent McDonald was the WISD Employee of the Month.

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OBITUARIES



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Services for Mollie Eudy, 96, of Tahoka were held at 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 13, at First United Methodist Church in Tahoka with Rev. Marvin Gregory officiating.

Burial was in Tahoka Cemetery under the direction of White Funeral Home of Tahoka.

She died Tuesday, Dec. 10, 2002 in Tahoka.

She was born Aug. 4, 1906 in Winnsboro. She graduated from Winnsboro High School in 1921 and East Texas State University in 1925. She married William H. Eudy on Dec. 4, 1929 in Abbot. He died April 8, 2001. She moved to Tahoka from Abbot in 1950.

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

Survivors include a daughter, Joann Akin of Lubbock; three grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the First United Methodist Church of Tahoka, P.O. Box 500, Tahoka 79373; or to Lynn County Hospital District, P.O. Box 1310, Tahoka 79373.

Lenora Hill

Services for Lenora Jenkins Hill, 75, of Anson were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14, at Lawrence-Adams Funeral Home Chapel in Anson with Cecil Ray Owen and Larry Owen officiating.

Burial was in Bethel Cemetery. She died Wednesday, Dec. 11, 2002.

She was born Feb. 2, 1927 and was raised in Lynn County. She married Clifford Hill in 1970 and moved to Hawley from Lubbock in 1980. She was a Baptist and a homemaker. She was preceded in death by a son.

Survivors include two sons, Johnny and Joe, both of Lubbock; two daughters, Donna Johnston and Sandy Cullipher, both of Lueders; four brothers, Robert Jenkins, Chelsey Jenkins, Jessie Jenkins and Dan Jenkins; a sister, Irene Kenner; seven grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Four THS Band Members Make The Honor Band

This past Saturday, December 14, at Floydada High School in competition against high school band students from 3A to 1A schools, four Tahoka High School band members earned places in the ATSSB Honor Band that will give a concert at the Lubbock Civic Center on January 24. The four are Solana Agüero, Cristal Amador, Ashley McNeely, and Kyndra Selmon. This is Ashley's second year to make the Honor Band and Solana's and Kyndra's third year to make it. Also competing at the Honor Band auditions was Amanda Strickland.

In addition, Amador, McNeely, and Selmon qualified for Area where

they will compete January 11 in Sundown against students from four regions to qualify for the ATSSB All-State Band, which will take place at the Texas Music Educators Convention in San Antonio, February 12-15. This is the second year for both McNeely and Selmon to qualify for Area. Kyndra last year was the first sophomore from Tahoka to ever make the ATSSB All-State Band.

"Needless to say, I am very proud of all these young ladies and all who tried out; for all the hard work they have put in to advance to this level of accomplishment, and I am expecting big things from them at Area," stated director Carroll Rhodes.



HONOR BAND— These four Tahoka High School band members earned places in the ATSSB Honor Band which will perform in concert at the Lubbock Civic Center on Jan. 24. They are, in back from left, Cristal Amador and Ashley McNeely, and in front, Kyndra Selmon and Solana Agüero. Amador, McNeely and Selmon also qualified for Area competition. Amador plays the flute, Selmon and Agüero play clarinets, and McNeely plays a bass clarinet. (LCN PHOTO)

Esther Valdez

Graveside services for Esther Valdez, 51, of Tahoka were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14, in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park in Woodrow with the Rev. Greg White officiating.

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

She died Thursday, Dec. 12, 2002.

She was born Feb. 4, 1951, in San Benito, where she graduated from high school. She married Isidoro Valdez Jr. on Sept. 2, 1967, in Lamesa. She moved to Tahoka from O'Donnell in 1984. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband; two sons, Isidoro III and Joe Angel, both of Tahoka; two daughters, Maria Esther Valdez of Tahoka and Veronica Atchison of Lubbock; her mother, Maria Hinostrosa of San Benito; three brothers, Rene Rivas of San Benito, Raul Rivas of Harlingen and Luis Hinostrosa of Del Rio; two sisters, Gracie LaPadron of Houston and Elena Hinostrosa of San Benito; and three grandchildren.

Thomas Baughman

Services for Thomas Baughman, 87, formerly of Tahoka, will be held Sunday, Dec. 22 in Dallas.

He died Sunday, Dec. 15 in Waco.

Survivors include his wife, Roberta of Valley Mills; a son, Dr. John Baughman of Valley Mills; three grandchildren, including Kim Mercer of Tahoka; and one great-grandchild.

Dora Servantez

Rosary services for Dora Servantez, 71, of Lubbock will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, at Resthaven's Abbey Chapel.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20, in the same chapel.

Burial will be in Resthaven Memorial Park.

She died Tuesday, Dec. 17, 2002.

She was born April 30, 1931, in Skidmore. She attended school in the Roosevelt community. She married Lupe Servantez on May 3, 1951, in Lubbock. She was a homemaker. She was a member and a Guadalupana at St. Teresa's Catholic Church.

She was preceded in death by a son, Rodney Servantez in 1975 and a daughter, Sylvia Servantez in 1982.

Survivors include her husband; three daughters, Rosa Servantez, Mary Hernandez and Cris Servantez all of Lubbock; six sons, Johnny of Wolfforth, and Joel, Abel, Lester, Rudy, and Jeremy, all of Lubbock; two brothers, Antonio Garza of Wilson and Israel Garza of San Antonio; two sisters, Virginia Acuna of Lubbock and Eusebia Serna of San Antonio; 21 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the American Diabetes Association, 8008 Slide Road, Lubbock 79424; or to the American Kidney Fund, 7315 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda, MD.

Zack Gill

Services for Zack Dalton Gill, 63, of Sweetwater were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 18, at Fourth and Elm Church of Christ in Sweetwater with Joe Bagby, Bob Marcho and Tom Ritchey officiating.

Burial was in Garden of Memories Cemetery.

He died Monday, Dec. 16, 2002.

He was born July 2, 1939, in Vealmoor. He married Donna Gayle Merrick on Jan. 3, 1979, in Sundown. He established and owned Double D Distributors in Sweetwater in 1981. He was a member of Fourth and Elm Church of Christ. He spent 22 years in public education as a teacher, coach, principal and superintendent. He worked in Old Glory, Aspermont, Fluvanna, and Estelline.

He was a member of the Sweetwater Chamber of Commerce and served on the Sweetwater school board. He was voted Sweetwater's Outstanding Citizen in 1997.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Dalton Mitchell Gill of Big Spring; a stepson, Larry Dale Robertson of Jonestown; two stepdaughters, Mitzi Johnson of Farwell and Jeannine Carroll of Channelview; four sisters, Juanita Matthew of Odessa, Mary Dean Cuthbertson of Amarillo, Ethel Lynn Zant of Wilson, and June Zant of Paris; and four grandchildren.

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He has two older siblings, Alexis, 5, and Christopher, 3. Grandparents are Dora Montemayor of Tahoka, Debbie Talley of Slaton, and Jack and Brenda Wheat of Temple. Great-grandparents are Floyd and Lillian Herring of Temple and Ruth Wheat of Belton. ***

Amy and Arvak Marshall of Clarksville, Maryland announce the birth of a son, Caden Scott Marshall, born Friday, Dec. 13, at 12:03 p.m. He weighed 4 lbs. 8 oz. and was 18 1/2 inches long. His grandparents are Milt and Dorothy Draper of Tahoka. ***

Eric Jimenez and Adriana Segovia of Tahoka announce the birth of a son, Eric Lee Jimenez Jr., born at 9:29 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 10, 2002 at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. He weighed 6 lbs. 5 oz. and was 20 inches long.

Grandparents are Waldo and Melissa Segovia of Tahoka, Irma Jimenez and Terry Dunlap of Odessa and Daniel Saldana of Lubbock.

Great-grandparents are Chon and Fidelia Rodriguez of Dilley, Nieves and Geneva Segovia of Dilley, Elisa Puente and Francisco Jimenez of Lubbock, and Leonora Saldana of Tahoka.



GIFTS FROM ROTARY - Bill Schoemann, president of Tahoka Rotary Club, presents donations to two local programs benefitting area children. Rotary gave \$500 to Lynn County Christmas For Kids, represented here by Janet Porterfield (left), and \$250 to Lynn County Child Welfare, represented by Lena Cloe (right). (LCN PHOTO)

Lynn County/Area Bale Count
(as of Monday, December 16, 2002)

New Home Coop Gin - Lakeview	36,950
Farmers Coop Gin - O'Donnell	29,770
Wilson Coop Gin - Wilson	21,740
Woolam Gin - O'Donnell	19,069
Farmers Coop Assn. #1 - Tahoka	18,620
Wells Coop Gin	14,600
Hackberry Coop Gin - Post	12,668
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Grassland Coop Gin	3,371
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Cynthia Marie Solorzano of Tahoka was among the 18 students who participated in the South Plains College Associates Degree in Nursing ceremony held in Levelland on Thursday, Dec. 12.

Cynthia, a 1999 graduate of Tahoka High School, plans to take the State Board of Nurse Examiners in January to receive her Registered Nursing certification. She will con-

Tahoka ISD To Dismiss Early

Students at Tahoka ISD will be dismissed from classes at 12:30 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 20 for the Christmas holidays. Buses will run at 12:35 p.m. Classes will resume on the regular schedule on Tuesday, Jan. 7.

She is the daughter of Roy and Diana Solorzano and the granddaughter of Eva Calvillo and the late Juan Calvillo and Elpidio and Lupe Solorzano, all of Tahoka.

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Card of Thanks

I would like to take this time to thank everyone who participated in the Dec. 14 Christmas Bake Sale at Thriftway. Also, a big thank you for all the cash donations that we received.

We are so grateful to live in a community that cares for their senior neighbors. Ideas and suggestions for the senior citizen center are always welcome. We're here for you!

Thanks Again,
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Jimmy Parker, Superintendent
Tahoka ISD, P.O. Box 1230
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Tahoka, Texas 79373-1230 50-2fc

NOTICE OF SALE

In accordance with the Uniform Traffic Code of the State of Texas related to Abandoned Motor Vehicles, the City of Tahoka will offer for sale by sealed bids the following vehicles:

- (1) 1993 Mercury Tracer
 - (2) 1994 Chevrolet Suburban
 - (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.

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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

The proposed service charge changes are expected to increase the Company's annual revenues by approximately 4% and therefore do not constitute a "major change." The proposed changes could affect approximately 215,000 gas customers in the following communities and surrounding rural areas:

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| Amherst | Levelland | Ralls |
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| Earth | New Deal | Stanton |
| Edmonson | New Home | Sudan |
| Floydada | Odessa | Tahoka |
| Forsan | O'Donnell | Timbercreek Canyon |
| Friena | Olton | Tulia |
| Hale Center | Opdyke West | Turkey |
| Happy | Pallasades | Vega |
| Hart | Pampa | Wellman |
| Hereford | Panhandle | Wilson |
| Idalou | Petersburg | Wolfthorh |
| Kress | Plainview | |
| Lake Tanglewood | Post | |
- *unincorporated — Southland, Welch, Whitharrall

Copies of the filing are available at the Atmos Energy Office at 5110 30th, 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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TOURNAMENT WINNERS - The Wilson Mustangs took home first place honors in the Lynn County Cotton Classic on Dec. 7. Team members are (from left) Robert Arellano, Blake Talkmitt, Brady Cross, David Yowell, Richard Valdez, Nick Simmons, and Casey Bolyard.

Christmas Party Tonight At Senior Citizen Center

All senior citizens in Lynn County are invited to a Christmas party to be held at 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19 (tonight) at the senior citizens center, located at 1600 S. 3rd Street in Tahoka.

Participants are asked bring a white elephant gift — ladies for ladies, men for men. Also, officials ask that if convenient, participants bring a favorite finger food or Christmas goodie.

Special entertainment will be provided by the local group, the Son Seekers.



WILSON STUDENTS OF THE MONTH - Wilson Independent School District Superintendent Mike Jones is shown with the WISD Students of the Month. They are, from left, Blake Talkmitt (high school), Brady Evans (junior high), and Jordan Guzman (elementary).

Senior Citizens MENU

Dec. 23-27

Monday: Pepper Steak, Rice, Green Beans, Sliced Tomatoes, Wheat Roll, Chocolate Cake.

Tuesday: Closed for Christmas.

Wednesday: Closed for Christmas.

Thursday: Roast Pork, Corn, Turnip Greens, Coleslaw, Cornbread, Pine-apple Gelatin.

Friday: Beef Enchiladas, Pinto Beans, Stewed Tomatoes & Okra, Crackers, Fruit Salad, Pudding.

The NEW HOME News
by Karon Durham
924-7448

Students at New Home ISD will be dismissed from classes at 1:20 p.m. today and Friday, with students in grades 7-12 taking finals on those days. Students will be out of school for the Christmas holidays from Friday, Dec. 20 to Thursday, Jan. 2.

The Leopards and Lady Leopards will host Ropes in basketball action on Friday, Dec. 20 beginning at 1:30 p.m. The varsity boys and girls teams will host Grady on Tuesday, Dec. 31 beginning at 1 p.m.

The New Home junior class is selling cookbooks for \$10 each. Each book contains approximately 150 recipes ranging from snacks to desserts.

The junior class would like to thank the New Home community and surrounding areas for providing the recipes for the books.

To order a cookbook, contact any of the following: Terry Brand, Bear Chesley, Kyle Comey, Sierra Estrada, Desiree Garza, Ashley Gill, Nick Holloway, Tanner Johnston, Brittany Kieth, Brooke Kieth, Terrel McReynolds, Angelica Rodriguez, Josh Schoppa, Fred Vitolas, Lauren Wied, or Shea Wilkinson.

The cookbooks will be on sale through Jan. 3.

Delaware's state insect is the ladybug.

Who's Who

at Lynn County Schools



John Jones
New Home High School Principal

Mr. Jones has been with NHISD for four years. He and his wife, Terri, have a son and three daughters.

"New Home ISD is blessed to have the best teachers in the state, the student body that can exhibit great character, and a community that totally supports the school and all of its activities," he stated.



LaVonne Sharp
New Home Special Ed. - Resource Teacher

Mrs. Sharp has been with NHISD for more than 35 years. She and her husband, Don, have three children.

"Students are friendly, work hard and are all-around good kids. Small class size helps as teachers are able to reach all kids personally. Administrators are very supportive. I think we have the best school in the state... that's why our school has an exemplary status!" she added.

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MARIO CHAPA
Chapa Licensed As Preacher Here

Gethsemane Baptist Church of Tahoka has voted unanimously to license charter member Mario S. Chapa for the preaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

"Church members are asking the Christian community to join them in praying for Mario as the Lord leads and directs him in this call to the ministry," said pastor Mingo Chapa.

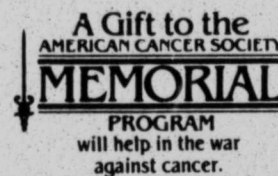
LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To the Community:

Thanks so much to all who gave unselfishly of their time in preparing, delivering and serving at the Community Holiday Dinner on Dec. 8. We served approximately 225 and delivered 100 meals to shut-ins in the community.

We are awed by your commitment to Jesus and to Tahoka and praise God for you!

Rev. Marvin Gregory
Tahoka Minister's Fellowship

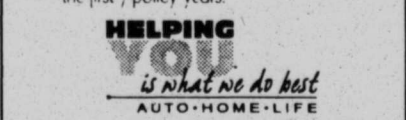


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