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## Bill Chancy Honored For 600<sup>th</sup> Game On Chain Gang

Not many people can say what they have done every Friday night during football season for the past 57 years, but generations of Tahoka football fans can name one exception — Bill Chancy. Chancy has been on the sidelines of Tahoka football games for nearly six decades, volunteering his services on the chain gang.

On each and every Friday night during the Tahoka Independent School District fall football season, Chancy shuts down his service station in Tahoka and goes wherever the Bulldogs are playing that night, staking out his spot on the sideline. He has anchored the chain gang on the sidelines for hundreds of games, but Friday night was a special night for him, as school officials honored

Chancy for his 600<sup>th</sup> time on the chain gang crew.

Superintendent Jimmy Parker and trustee Leighton Knox Jr. presented Chancy with an appreciation plaque and school letter jacket during pre-game ceremonies at Kelley Field, prior to the last game of the season as the Bulldogs hosted Shallowater. Fans applauded as the presentation was made, showing their appreciation for the longtime Bulldog supporter.

Since 1946, Chancy has reported for the chain gang to work every Friday in the fall, with the exception of one game that he missed due to a business obligation.

"I do it for the boys and that is the only reason I do it," Chancy says.

So, come rain or shine, hot or cold weather, he has always stuck it out for the players — even through six inches of snow! Winning season, or losing season, Chancy is there for the team. He and his wife, Frances, will have a spot on the sideline indefinitely.

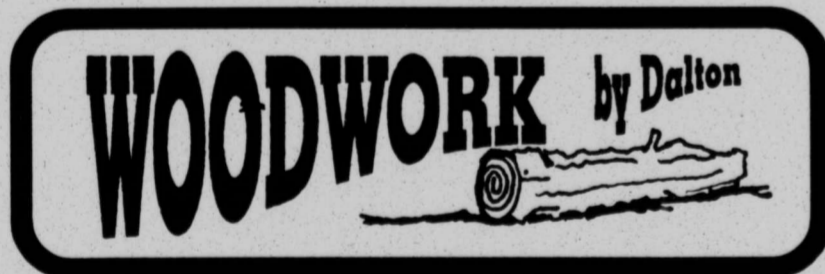
Now 74, Chancy has watched three sons and four grandsons play for the Bulldogs. He currently has one grandson, a freshman, playing for the JV Bulldogs, and he hopes that he is able to carry the chains for the "Mighty Bulldogs" when his grandson is on the varsity lineup.

He says he has saved every football program for the Bulldogs since 1946 — quite a collection. He is going to have hip-replacement surgery in January, and during his recovery he plans to write a book of all his memories of the past 57 years of chain gang work for Tahoka High School. He is waiting to have his surgery until after his other big fall hobby (Ho! Ho! Ho!).

Chancy has another unique hobby, collecting antique cars, including a 1928 Model A Ford, a 1966 Plymouth Barracuda, and a 1964 Dodge pickup. He plans to make a trip to South Dakota in his 1928 Chrysler that he and his grandson, Heath Ross, rebuilt.



**600<sup>TH</sup> TIME ON THE CHAIN GANG** — Bill Chancy has been on the sidelines of Tahoka football games for 57 years, and was honored by school officials Friday night for his 600<sup>th</sup> time on the chain gang. Superintendent Jimmy Parker and trustee Leighton Knox Jr. presented Chancy with an appreciation plaque and a school letter jacket.



'TIS NOT YET the season to be jolly, but it is already the season to be sneezy. And Grumpy, and maybe some of those other seven dwarfs. Anyway, according to newspaper reports, and also as evidenced by some unfortunate people around town, the season for influenza, pneumonia, colds and all respiratory diseases has arrived.

Because I am writing this with clear lungs and sinuses and no headaches may mean that I am tempting the gods (devils, actually) of cold misery and may get a cold any time. I sure hope not, because the last cold I had lasted six weeks, starting about the middle of December and tormenting me until about Feb. 1. The first three weeks of that time I did all the things that make people love to be around me. I sneezed, wheezed, coughed, spit, strangled and moaned and groaned and wore out my nose, and made no new friends.

Since last February I have been using daily a nasal spray that someone told me might keep me from ever getting another cold. So far I haven't had another cold, but the real test is coming up this month through January. If I don't catch a cold during that time I will continue to use the spray forever, or until I do have another cold.

Can I name the Seven Dwarfs? I think they are Sneezy, Grumpy, Chokey, Achy, Stuffy, Coughy and Lousy.

By the way, when I have a cold, I hate it when someone asks, "Do you have a bad cold?" Whoever heard of a **GOOD** cold?

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A COUPLE of definitions (daffynitions) from *Washington Post* readers:

Caterpillar: the color you turn after finding half a worm in the fruit you are eating.

Intoxication: euphoria at getting a tax refund, which lasts until you realize it was your money to start with.



**IN HONOR OF VETERANS** — 220 U.S. Flags were placed on veterans graves at Tahoka Cemetery for Veterans Day by members of Phebe K. Warner Club in Tahoka. Club members placed the flags on Saturday and will leave them in place for one week. "If we missed any, we apologize," said Bettye Green, President. "We placed flags on all the graves for those whose families called us, plus all who were noted as such on grave markers that we saw," she said. (LCN PHOTO)

### Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Nov. 5	57	40	.01"
Nov. 6	47	39	.32"
Nov. 7	47	38	.01"
Nov. 8	50	38	.02"
Nov. 9	53	43	.06"
Nov. 10	69	46	.01"
Nov. 11	75	53	
Total Precip. in Nov.: 0.43"			
Total Precip. to date: 12.77"			

## Woman Hurt As Van Rolls Over On US 87

A young mother who was driving a 2001 Pontiac Montana minivan with her husband and year-old daughter as passengers was injured last Friday, Nov. 7 when the van overturned on U.S. 87 3.5 miles north of Tahoka.

Daisy Salinas of Tahoka was taken by EMS ambulance to Lynn County Hospital where she was treated and then transferred to a Lubbock hospital for treatment of undetermined injuries. Her husband, Francisco Salinas Jr., and their baby were treated and released at Lynn County Hospital.

Investigating DPS Trooper Wanda Roney said the van, northbound, veered to the east shoulder of the highway and overturned.

Sheriff's officers reported this week that they had recovered most of several sets of golf clubs stolen at T-Bar Country Club on Sept. 13, when a cart house was burglarized.

### Lynnwood Open House Is Sunday

Lynnwood Assisted Living Center will observe its second year of operations with an open house from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, when everyone is invited to come by and look over the facility and talk with the staff and residents.

There will be a drawing for a quilt for which raffle tickets are being sold. The quilt was made by Mrs. Virginia Pybus, one of Lynnwood's 17 residents. Lynnwood Manager Susie Sosa said three more residents are expected to move in soon.

### Home For The Holidays Program Set Here For November 20

Area residents are invited to the annual "Home For The Holidays" program on Thursday, November 20<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The program will be held at The Center For Housing & Community Development (1400 Avenue K, Tahoka).

Members of the Lynn County Extension Education Association will host this annual event. Admission is \$5.00 per person. This includes a cookbook, tea & tasting, "Heritage" program, craft and gift demonstrations, and door prizes.

"This program brings together county residents to share ideas for the Holiday Season and put everyone on a festive spirit," a TEEA member said.

Please RSVP by November 18 to (806) 561-4562.

## Lynn County Area Cotton Balé Count

Bale Count as reported by the following area gins on Tuesday this week:

New Home Coop-Lakeview .....	14,425
Wilson Coop Gin-Wilson .....	7,307
Farmers Coop Assn. #1-Tahoka .....	5,581
Wells Coop Gin .....	3,873
Farmers Coop Gin-O'Donnell .....	3,896
Woolam Gin-O'Donnell .....	2,900
Grassland Coop Gin .....	190
Dempsey Gin .....	110
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>38,282</b>

(Bale counts will be reported weekly until harvest is completed)

## Get Flu Shots, Free Screenings At Health Expo Friday

Free health screenings, medical information, and various samples, including hypoallergenic and diabetes-related items, will be available to all area residents, free, at the County Health Fair this Friday, Nov. 14, sponsored by Lynn County Hospital District. This year's event is being called a Health/Fitness/Beauty Expo, and will offer even more information than years past, including health, fitness, and beauty issues. It will be held at the Tahoka Activity Center (Bingo Hall), at the corner of South 5<sup>th</sup> and Ave L in Tahoka, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

According to Community Services Health Education Coordinator Carol Botkin, the Health Expo offers free testing by qualified healthcare personnel, vital health care information and free items to everyone who attends. Flu shots will also be available for a minimal charge.

Free testing is available for vision and glaucoma, hearing, glucose,

cholesterol and bone density. Participants can also check their blood pressure, and oxygen saturation level, and have healthcare professionals perform evaluations for other health needs. Information about organ donation, hospice care and home health will also be available, along with diabetes education and more.

Men, women and children of all ages are welcome to the health fair to take advantage of the free medical testing and health care information offered. Many area businesses and organizations will have booths at the community event, and children are encouraged to come.

Children and adults can learn about good oral health, alcohol and drug awareness, cancer awareness, poison control, electrical and fire safety, and 9-1-1. Additional information is available through the hospital district's web site at [www.healthcare.org](http://www.healthcare.org).

Joshua Brent Thompson, 19, of Tahoka was charged in the case, and two other young Tahoka males implicated may also face charges, according to Chief Deputy Jerry Franklin.

The stolen clubs, valued at a total of \$3,548 by owners Shi Dotson and Ronny Jolly, were located at a pawn shop in Lubbock. A few of the clubs still have not been recovered. Brand names of the clubs stolen included Callaway, Tommy Armour, and Nike.

A collision of two vehicles occurred Monday in the 1900-block of N. 6<sup>th</sup> St. Involved were a 1994 Cadillac driven by Misty Laine James, 24, of Tahoka and a 1998 Chevrolet pickup driven by Randy Kay Erickson, 54, also of Tahoka. No injuries were listed.

A 16-foot double axle utility trailer was reported stolen last Thursday from the carport of the owner, Rudy Tejada Jr., on Main St. The trailer was valued at \$1500.

A 21-year-old man whose residence was listed as Rt. 6, Lubbock, was arrested Saturday on an outstanding warrant after being questioned about a check cashed at a Tahoka business.

Tahoka Police Chief Doyle Lee accepted the resignation of Officer Larry Dodd last Thursday. The department will consider applications to fill Dodd's position.

Two persons were jailed during the week after being brought in by the Border Patrol. Others were jailed on charges of judgment and sentencing on fictitious auto inspection certificate and application to revoke probation on conviction of assault.

Total number of jail inmates as of Wednesday was 37, with 18 held for Lubbock County.

### Tahoka ISD Invites Public To Thanksgiving Meal

Thursday, November 20, Tahoka ISD extends a special invitation to parents, business leaders and community members to join us for a special Thanksgiving lunch.

Lunch will be served from 11:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. at the school cafeteria. The meal will include turkey and dressing and all of the trimmings. Rosalinda Padilla, cafeteria manager has a very high-quality meal planned.

The cost for visitors on this one special occasion will be \$4.00. TISD encourages parents and members of the community to come and enjoy Thanksgiving lunch.

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# County Gets Clean Audit Report; Three Motor Graders Approved

Lynn County Commissioners met in a lengthy session Monday morning, hearing the county's financial audit report and opening bids for road equipment for three of the four precincts in the county.

Melvin Eaker, representing the firm of Gary, Bowers and Miller, CPA, presented the audit to commissioners, noting that the audit took longer to conduct this year than in the previous year since this was the first year for his firm to conduct an audit on Lynn County.

"Essentially, this report is a clean opinion for this year," Eaker said, as he went through the pages of the report with the four commissioners. County Treasurer Janet Porterfield,

County Judge H.G. Franklin and County Clerk Susan Tipton.

"There are some prior period adjustments in the financial notes at the end of this report, where we found what we considered errors in the general fund from the previous year's audit. We determined a net of \$141,007 of funds not recognized in the previous year," he added.

"This is a transitional year for you and for us—the next few years should not take nearly as long to conduct an audit," Eaker told commissioners, explaining that he would be meeting individually with county officials to explain suggested financial reporting practices which the firm is recommending.

"Some of the changes we are recommending are in internal controls and financial accounting practices," Eaker said. "We found no major compliance issues. Everything seemed to be as it should be, for instance, in the District Clerk's office, where we found only one error—and that was for only \$10—in all the tests we ran on tracing cash on cases," he added.

Commissioners unanimously approved the audit as presented, and Eaker said he would be available if any county officials had questions about the audit.

Bids for road equipment for three precincts were opened, with each precinct receiving only one bid for each of three motor graders. Commissioners approved bids for each, includ-

ing a bid of \$32,430 for a motor grader for Precinct 1, a bid of \$9,597 for Precinct 2 equipment, and a bid of \$13,597 for Precinct 4. All bids were from Warren Cat Co., and all included a trade-in of older motor graders owned by the county.

Lynn County Ag Agent Bryan Reynolds presented a report on his office, briefing commissioners on activities through the county extension office.

"We had eight 4-H youth at the county food show, and seven out of eight were in the top three places—we did extremely well, as well as any county," said Reynolds. "Our 4-H leaders have taken care of that since we have been without a Family and Consumer Sciences agent. They have really stepped up and taken care of the program," he said.

He noted that the "Home for the Holidays" tasting tea and cookbook event would be held Nov. 20 at the Housing Authority center, again with much help from leaders. He also mentioned several upcoming ag events.

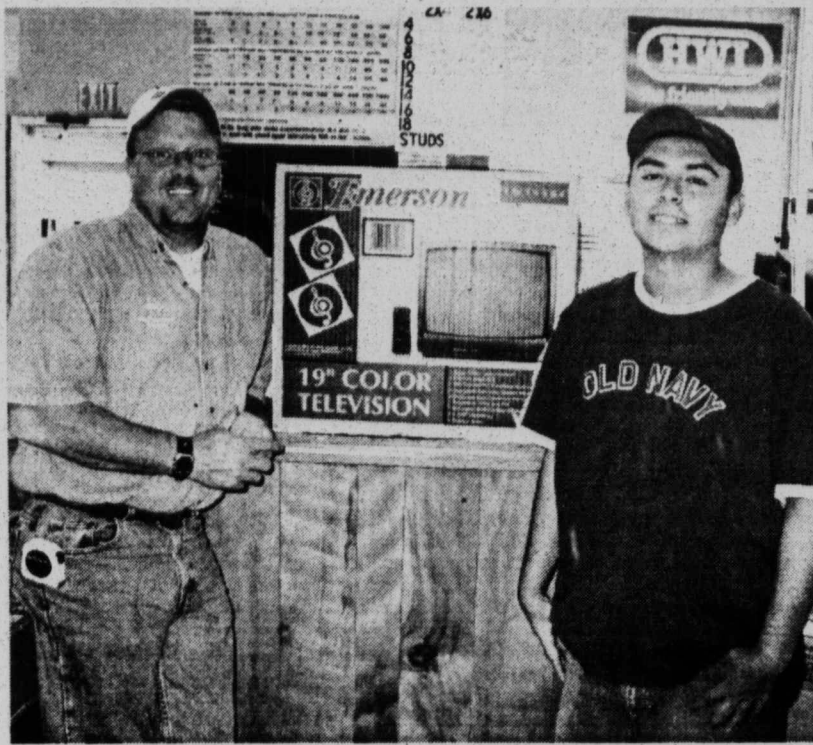
Commissioners commended Reynolds on the good work of the extension office, especially since Reynolds has been the lone agent here for quite some time. Reynolds said it would be at least a year before Lynn County could receive another FCS agent.

Commissioners approved new computers for the extension office through a cost-share program offered by the State. Total cost of the computers would be \$1,600 and the county would pay for half.

Sheriff Bob Wilson gave a report on the Sheriff's Department, introducing Jack and Barbara Jaquess who are working on a grant for Lynn County regarding emergency management.

Monthly bills were approved as presented, and commissioners adjourned at 12:15 p.m. All four commissioners were present for the three-hour meeting.

Commissioners meet on the second and fourth Mondays of each month, usually at 9 a.m. in the County Judge's Office, and the public is welcome to attend. The next meeting will be Nov. 24. Agendas for each meeting are posted in the foyer of the courthouse prior to every meeting.



**TV WINNER**—Tahoka High School sophomore Isaac Tello was the grand prize winner of a 19-inch color TV from Higginbotham Lumber Co. in the Lynn County News Football Contest. Higginbotham manager Kent Porter (left) presented the TV to Isaac. Ironically, Isaac received the news on his 16th birthday that he had won the TV, when a News representative called Monday afternoon to tell Isaac he had won.

(LCN PHOTO)

## Christmas Craft Show Set Here November 22nd

Area crafters have scheduled a Christmas Craft show for Saturday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at the Life Enrichment Center in Tahoka. The event will feature the talents of crafters from Tahoka, New Home, Lubbock, Brownfield, and Petersburg.

"There will be over 15 booths filled with all kinds of goodies", according to Amy Preston, Craft Show Coordinator. "We'll have great gift items that are very reasonably priced", added Preston.

Admission to the Craft Show is free and visitors can expect to find a little bit of everything, including hand made soap, crosses, candles, Christmas ornaments and much more. Folks are also invited to stop in for lunch. The Freshman Class will be selling fresh Pedro's tamales and soft drinks.

The Life Enrichment Center is located at 1717 Main Street in Tahoka. For additional information, please contact Amy Preston at 806-561-5365 after 5:30 p.m.

## Lady Bulldogs End Season At Area Playoffs

By Meghan Saldana  
THS Journalism

The Tahoka High School Lady Bulldogs Volleyball team played their area round playoff game November 8, against Alpine. They were defeated 11-25, 17-25, 11-25, ending post-season play.

Their bi-district game was against West Texas Stennet on November 4. They won the close contest 25-23, 15-25, 25-27, 25-23, 15-11.

## TAHOKA SPORTS NEWS

by THS Journalism Students

### Varsity Football

Cade Miller

The Dogs ended their season, dropping the final game to Shallowater 63-0. The Mustangs controlled the majority of the game, except for a deep drive into Mustang territory by the Dogs.

The dogs were hurt by the tough Mustang offense, including Eric Morris who scored on a 63 yard punt return.

This year proved to be a tough one for the Dogs. However, only losing 4 seniors the Dogs should be stacked with experience for next year's season.

### JV Football

Tahoka JV fell to Shallowater 40-0 on Thursday, Nov. 6. Quarterback Damon Moore completed 3 passes. JaVaen Tillman, Jon Norris, and Matt McClelland each caught a pass and Byron Moore, Randy Carter and Fidel Garcia each recovered one fumble.

### 7th Grade Football

by Jessica Wilson

The 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys played their last game against Shallowater on November 6. They lost 46-0.

"We made great strides throughout this season. The score board did not always reflect their effort but they played

hard every ball game," said Coach Drew Stone. "We faced some adversity and played 3 games with only 10 players. I am very proud of these young men."

### 8th Grade Football

by Jessica Antu

The 8<sup>th</sup> grade Bulldogs played the Shallowater Mustangs Thursday, November 6, for the last game of the season. The dogs were defeated 44-0.

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## The New Home News

by Karon Durham • 924-7448

On November 14, there will be an ice cream party at 1:48 for the students who brought socks during Red Ribbon week. November 15, is the District FFA Leadership at Lamesa. On November 17 the Jr. High will play basketball in Whitharral. November 18, the Leopards will travel to Sands for basketball.

Round Table Members are asked to bring an item for a giant stocking to raffle off, and to sell tickets for the raffle. The item for the stocking is needed by Monday, November 24. For more information call Karon Durham.

Next Thursday, Nov. 20 is the Great American Smokeout Day, and the Student Council encourages students to join in the effort to encourage people to quit smoking for one day, and hopefully for life. All kindergarten through senior class students are invited to create a poster persuading smokers to quit smoking and/or nonsmokers to never start smoking. Size may range from 8-1/2x11 to a regular poster board, and should include the

student's name and grade. Turn posters in to Mrs. Scott by Wednesday, Nov. 19. Winners will receive prizes.

## New Home School Menu

- November 17-21 Breakfast**  
Monday- Cinnamon roll  
Tuesday-Pancakes  
Wednesday-Biscuit/Sausage  
Thursday-Cinnamon Toast  
Friday-Granola Bars
- Lunch**  
Monday-Fiesta Salad, Lettuce/tomato, refried beans, pineapple tidbits  
Tuesday- Chicken Fried Steak, whipped potatoes, green beans, peach cup, hot rolls  
Wednesday-Pizza, lettuce/tomato, corn, banana pudding  
Thursday-Frito pie, lettuce/tomato, pinto beans, orange half, cornbread  
Friday-Hamburger or cheeseburger, French fries, pickles, lettuce/tomato

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