



THE Lynn County News



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LIONS CLUB GIVES \$500 DONATION - Lions Club Queen Ashley McNeely and Secretary/Treasurer Claudia Guin presented a \$500 check Tuesday to Janet Porterfield and Brenda Dotson, for the Lynn County Christmas For Kids program. Porterfield and Dotson are both board members for the program, which provides Christmas gifts for needy children in the county. Donations are still needed, as already there are 170 children to provide for, with more expected at the last signup period this Saturday. Last year, the program provided for 230 children in the county. (LCN PHOTO)

Council Has Routine Meeting

Tahoka City Council met in routine session Monday night, hearing a report from Kent Satterwhite, General Manager of the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority, about the Lake Meredith water level situation, from which Tahoka gets its water. Satterwhite told the group that there is nothing unusual in the water level dropping during certain times of the year and that it was not time to panic.

More information about Lake Meredith and the water supply will be given to *The News* at a later date. City Administrator Jerry Webster said. Larry Hagood, the city's representative on the Water Authority Board, also attended the meeting.

In other business, council members tabled discussion on the city's land leases near the sewer plant, currently held by Joe Calvillo and David Cook. Bids that had been received were not opened, as the issue was tabled for the next meeting, due to a question about the legal notice concerning the lease.

Monthly bills were approved as presented.

All five council members, Mayor Mike Mensch, Webster and others were present for the meeting that lasted approximately 1-1/2 hours.

Leopards Named In All-District Football Honors

New Home High School football athletes named to the All-District 2nd team offense are Cody Kieth, tight end. Named to the All-District 2nd team defense are Bear Chesley, Senior, Lineman; Cody Kieth, Junior, Linebacker; and Tyler McAllister, Junior, Safety.

Honorable Mention offense includes Terrell McReynolds, Senior, tight end; Tyler McAllister, Junior, running back; Juan Calsoncit, Junior, running back; Ryan Wied, Sophomore, quarterback; Eddie Alvarado, Junior, center. Honorable Mention defense includes Juan Calsoncit, Junior, Lineman; and Terrell McReynolds, Senior, cornerback.

Weather

| Date | High | Low | Precip. |
|-------------------------------|------|-----|---------|
| Nov. 25 | 62 | 22 | |
| Nov. 26 | 70 | 39 | |
| Nov. 27 | 52 | 35 | |
| Nov. 28 | 56 | 26 | |
| Nov. 29 | 64 | 27 | |
| Nov. 30 | 76 | 33 | |
| Dec. 1 | 60 | 35 | |
| Dec. 2 | 63 | 39 | |
| Total Precip. in Nov.: 0.62" | | | |
| Total Precip. to date: 12.96" | | | |



TAKING THE HIGHEST BID - Attorney Tim Carr, of McCreary, Veselka, Bragg & Allen, representing Lynn County Appraisal District, conducts the auction of property for delinquent taxes Tuesday morning, on the steps of the Lynn County Courthouse. Several lots were up for bidding, with a handful of interested buyers present for the auction: The whole process was over within the hour. Property auctions are held several times throughout the year for delinquent taxes owed to the Appraisal District. (LCN PHOTO)

Suspects In Robbery To Face Grand Jury

A young couple from Lamesa who are suspects in the armed robbery of Allsup's store in O'Donnell on Nov. 16 have been returned to Lynn County jail from El Paso, where they were arrested several days after the robbery. Charged with aggravated robbery were Brandon Matthew Smith, 18, and Misty Dawn Nunn, 18. Their case will be considered by a 106th District grand jury scheduled to meet Friday.

During the week, Tahoka Police arrested one man on an outstanding warrant and investigated an incident in which a Tahoka man allegedly took \$40 cash from Allsup's, but returned the money after being caught

by a clerk Saturday night.

Forty-three persons were in jail as of Wednesday, with 16 of these held for Lubbock County. Eleven persons were jailed during the last week on these charges: bond surrender/possession of cocaine, speeding, aggravated robbery, Dept. of Public Safety warrants, criminal mischief, evading arrest, driving while intoxicated, possession of marijuana, possession of controlled substances

During November, dispatchers at the sheriff's office processed 234 calls, including 81 for Tahoka Police, 111 for the county, 22 ambulance calls, four fire alarms and 16 for O'Donnell Police Dept.

Centennial Time Capsule To Be Buried Dec. 17

The Lynn County Centennial Time Capsule, containing items representing the county's 100th year, will be buried during ceremonies on Wednesday, Dec. 17 in conjunction with Open House at the Lynn County Courthouse.

The Time Capsule Ceremony will be held at 1:45 p.m. at the Memorial Triangle just west of the courthouse.

Guests are invited immediately following the ceremony to the courthouse for refreshments during the Open House from 2-4 p.m.

WOODWORK by Dalton

A FEW YEARS AGO someone gave me a chart which some guy figured out back in 1952, which showed what day of the week any date was from 1753 to 2059. I have since lost the chart, but I remember using it to determine that I was born on a Tuesday (Dec. 4, 1928).

And yes, that is quite awhile back, and yes, I am getting up there. Still, I hope to reach maturity some day.

I wish I hadn't lost the chart, which was designed by a guy named Merrill, an engineer for General Electric. Pretty good trick, too, for those days before computers were everywhere.

So my birthday will be today, if this happens to be published in the correct week. In 1995, I wrote that being born on a Tuesday recalled the poem which starts out, "Monday's child is full of woe," I think. I can't remember what Tuesday's child is full of, but I'm sure some of you wise guys out there have some suggestions.

I don't recall being born on Tuesday, but I do remember that day well. It was very cold in Roanoke TX, and I didn't have any clothes on when I was born.

My birthday is on Thursday this year, which means Christmas and New Year's Day also will be on Thursday.

Last year, my birthday fell on Wednesday, injuring several bystanders.

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A YOUNG redneck rancher came running into the store and said to his buddy, "Bubba, somebody just stole your pickup truck from the parking lot!"

Bubba replied, "Did you see who it was?" and his friend answered, "I couldn't tell, but I got the license number."

Gospel Singing Set Dec. 7 At Church of Christ

The public is invited to join in "celebrating our Lord in song" at a Gospel Singing to be held from 5-6:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7 at Tahoka Church of Christ. The song leader will be Jackie Qualls, Youth Minister at Sunset Church of Christ.

A sandwich supper will follow the special service.

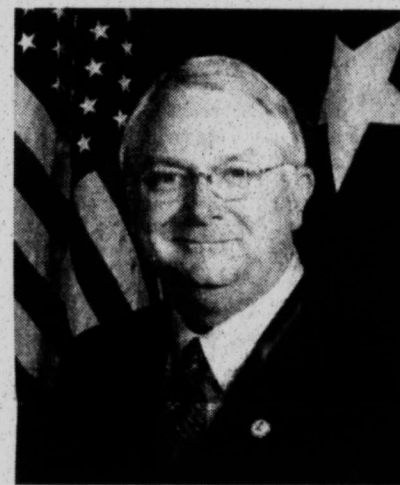
Wednesday Is Deadline For Phebe K. Warner Scholarship Donations

Those desiring to contribute funds to the Phebe K. Warner Club Scholarships are reminded that the deadline is next Wednesday, December 10.

"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 of Tahoka by December 10, or call Bennie Carter at 561-5070, or any member of Phebe K. Warner Club to take your 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.



CONGRESSMAN RANDY NEUGEBAUER

Neugebauer Town Hall Meeting Is Today

Congressman Randy Neugebauer will hold a town hall meeting in Tahoka today (Thursday), beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the Life Enrichment Center, located at 1717 Main Street. All Lynn County residents are invited to attend the meeting.

"This is the continuation of listening sessions I began in August," said Neugebauer. "It is important for me to stay in touch with the views of the people of the 19th District. I'm coming to Lynn County to encourage people to let me know about the issues that are affecting them," he added.

Residents of the 19th Congressional district may contact Neugebauer's district offices toll free at 1-888-763-1611 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m., or at his Washington, D.C. office at (202) 225-4005. The new office website is also available at www.house.gov/neugebauer.



WALKING OFF THE THANKSGIVING TURKEY - Tahoka Elementary students in grades K-6 invited parents and grandparents to walk off their Thanksgiving meal by walking with them in the Turkey Trot held at the school track. Shown here in the foreground are, from left, first graders Kalie Bingham and Jessica Fowler, and Freda Jeffcoat next to her granddaughter Amanda Hill, and at far right, Larry Saldana. A good number of parents/grandparents showed up for the fun walk held Monday following the Thanksgiving holidays.

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DEC

4th: Open House
10:00 am-4:00 pm
Lynn County Appraisal District
1636 Ave. J, Tahoka

7th: Gospel Singing
5:00-6:30 pm
Church of Christ
2320 Lockwood, Tahoka

7th: Christmas Concert
6:00 pm
First Baptist Church Adult Choir
1701 Avenue K, Tahoka

7th: "The Night Before Christmas" Play, 7:00 pm
Tahoka Trinity Church
1925 Lockwood, Tahoka

14th: Christmas Program
6:00 pm
Wilson First Baptist Church

14th: Children's Musical "Meet Me At the Manger"
6:00 pm
First Baptist Church
1701 Avenue K, Tahoka

15th: Christmas Concert
6:30-7:30 pm
Tahoka High School Band and Choir
THS Auditorium

17th: Lynn Co. Centennial Time Capsule Ceremony
1:45 pm
Memorial Triangle, west of Courthouse

17th: Open House
2:00-4:00 pm
Lynn County Courthouse

19th: Open House
9:00 am-3:00 pm
First National Bank of Tahoka
1601 S. 1st, Tahoka

19th: Open House
9:00 am-3:00 pm
Wilson State Bank - Wilson and Tahoka
Mr. & Mrs. Claus at Wilson location 9-1

24th: Christmas Eve Services, 6:00 pm
First United Methodist Church
1801 Ave. J, Tahoka

24th: Christmas Eve Celebration, 6:00 pm
First Baptist Church
1701 Avenue K, Tahoka

Contact THE LYNN COUNTY NEWS, 561-4888, Fax 561-6308, to be placed on the December events calendar. Any event in the county open to the public may be placed on the calendar.

Missionary To Speak At NH Baptist

David Abbott, missionary to Africa, will be guest speaker at New Home Baptist Church on Sunday morning, Dec. 7. Abbott will speak during the 11:00 a.m. service.

The Abbotts live and work at the Baptist Mission Hospital in the Ivory Coast in West Africa. David's ministry there is manifold, as he handles the business administration and finances of the hospital and is also responsible for the maintenance of the hospital and its equipment. He also preaches the good news of Christ to patients and travels to outlying churches.

In Africa, Ann Abbott home schools their two boys, Davy, age 15, and Stephen, age 9. She also encourages other missionary moms and African mothers. Ann leads a Bible Study in a courtyard near the hospital compound, where many gather to hear her tell stories from the scriptures.

In September of last year, a civil war broke out in their area. After many dramatic events, the Abbotts were evacuated by the French Foreign Legion and the U.S. Special Forces and taken to safety. They eventually returned home to Lubbock to wait out the turmoil.

While in Lubbock, the Abbotts have been able to tend to Davy's need for heart surgery. Davy has Down Syndrome and was born without a pulmonary valve. Last June, doctors in Houston were able to repair Davy's



MISSIONARY FAMILY - David Abbott, shown here with his wife Ann, and sons Davy and Stephen, will be guest speaker Sunday morning, Dec. 7 at New Home Baptist Church. The Abbotts live and work at the Baptist Mission Hospital in the Ivory Coast of West Africa. All are invited to hear David speak about the mission work there.

News from the Tahoka Care Center

Residents at Tahoka Care Center enjoyed a Thanksgiving dinner Tuesday, Nov. 25. Residents eating with families were Lonelle Blackwell with daughter Sharon, son-in-law Eddie and granddaughter; June Nevills with

heart. He is now doing well, but the family continues to wait for the war in the Ivory Coast to end so that they can return to their ministry there.

Joe Don Nevill; Flossie Hammonds with Cecil Hammonds; Zilpha Holdren with son Don Holdren and grandson; Doimiso Sosa with brother Leticiano and Romana Sosa. Thanks to all the families for coming out to eat with your loved ones and thanks to Sharon Black for baking us the pumpkin and pecan pies.

We would like to with Lonelle Blackwell, Gladys Kay and John McLelland a speedy recovery.

Families and friends are invited to come join us Monday, Dec. 8 for the Christmas Bells show starting at 3 p.m.

Residents Christmas Party will be held at Tahoka Care Center on Saturday, Dec. 13 at 3 p.m. Entertainment will be provided by Pleasant Grove Baptist Church.

In last week's edition there was a misprint which we truly apologize for. The correct statement is as follows: Our deepest sympathy to the family of Stella Pierce, she will be missed.

If you or anyone you know would like to volunteer your time or make a donation please contact Josie at 998-5018.

OBITUARIES

Joe Sawyer

Services for Joe Sawyer, 60, of Lamesa will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 4, 2003 at the Lamesa Church of Christ with Mark Hackett and Joe Woodrum officiating. Burial will be in the Lamesa Memorial Park.

He died Tuesday, Dec. 2, 2003, at UMC in Lubbock.

Sawyer was born April 4, 1943 in Georgetown, TX to Earl Washington and Anna Estelle Fields Sawyer. He married Tena Zachary on June 26, 1970 in Lamesa. He worked for Britt Trucking for several years and was also self-employed. He was a Baptist.

He was preceded in death by three sisters, Annell Ainsworth, Freddie Goolsby and Noma Sawyer; and two brothers, Jimmy and George Sawyer.

Survivors include his wife, Tena Sawyer of Lamesa; a son, Chris Sawyer of Slaton; a daughter, Nocona Denman of Carlton; two sisters, LaRue Vandiver of O'Donnell and Martha Ellyson of Dickinson; and an expected grandchild.

Earl La Voy McCuiston, Sr.

Graveside services for Earl La Voy McCuiston, Sr., 83, of Slaton will be at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 4, 2003, in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park in Woodrow with Fred Sain officiating.

McCuiston died Monday, Dec. 1, 2003.

He was born April 9, 1920 in Garza County. He attended Pleasant Valley School, but graduated from Post High School in 1938. He attended North Texas State University. He married Willie Lee Young on April 20, 1940 in Dallas. She preceded him in death on Sept. 25, 1999. He worked in magnesium mining for the war effort during WWII. He became a prominent home contractor in Lubbock; Lynn County and Terry County. He also farmed in Ralls, Tahoka, New Home, Tokio and Smyer.

He is survived by five children, Levy of Victoria, Rebecca Meeks of Slaton, Lynn McCuiston of Smyer, Lesly of Decatur and Roxanne Hamilton of Abilene; nine grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Slaton Care Center Activity Fund, 630 S. 19th St., Slaton, TX 79364.

Phebe K. Warner CLUB NEWS

On October 28, the Phebe K. Warner Club met in the home of Bennie Carter. Fredia Burns, a former missionary to Africa, who now lives in Matador presented an informative program on the life of a Kenyan woman in Africa. The presentation was based on an actual Kenyan woman Fredia had known while living in Africa in 1988. Visitors attending were Lana Copp, President of the El Progresso Club in Matador, and Sharon Allen, member of the El Progresso Club.

Phebe K. Warner Club met in the home of Virginia House on November 11. As an aid to orientation for new members, a video about federation and its programs was presented. Bettye Green further explained the levels, explained Phebe K. Warner's connection to the club, and congratulated Gerald Deane Wood as a nominee for State Secretary.



Joann Akin

Services for Joann Akin, 71, of Tahoka, were held at the First United Methodist Church of Tahoka at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 3, with Rev. Marvin Gregory officiating. Burial was in Nevels Cemetery in Tahoka, under the direction of White Funeral Home.

She died Sunday, November 30, 2003. She was born September 24, 1932 in Hillsboro, TX to William Hubert and Mollie Margaret Eudy. The family moved to Abbott, TX where she graduated high school and then they moved to Tahoka, where she started her career in bank bookkeeping. She married Edgar Eldon Akin on April 22, 1951.

She and her husband lived in Lubbock from 1967 until February 2003 when they moved back to Tahoka. She was a homemaker before she returned to bank bookkeeping and a successful career at American State Bank in Lubbock.

Survivors include her husband of 52 years; two sons, Gary Van Akin of Albuquerque, N.M. and Ricky Dan Akin of Lubbock; a daughter, Lisa Ann Young of San Antonio; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Memorials are suggested to the First United Methodist Church of Tahoka and Hospice of Lubbock.

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Macky Turner

Memorial services for Mary Beth "Macky" Turner, 76, of Tahoka, were held at 11:00 a.m., Monday, December 1, 2003 at the First Methodist Church with Reverend Marvin Gregory officiating and Reverend Kerry Hurst assisting. Interment preceded at Nevels Memorial Cemetery, under the direction of White Funeral Home of Tahoka.

She died Saturday, November 29, 2003 in Lubbock, Texas.

Mrs. Turner was born in Tahoka on August 31, 1927, to the late Mr. and Mrs. Rockwell Webber and George Mae Hill Fenton Jr. She graduated from Tahoka High School in 1944 and the University of Texas at Austin in 1948. She married Kenneth Hy Turner on August 21, 1949 in Tahoka, he preceded her in death on August 16, 1991. Mrs. Turner was a member of the American Cancer Society, the Joy Ringers Hand Bell Choir and the First United Methodist Church in Tahoka. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include three sons, Keith Turner of Mineral Wells, Kenneth Turner of Lubbock, and Kane Turner of El Dorado, AR.; one daughter, Kim Hurst of Lubbock; one niece, Karen Nichols of Post, and one nephew, Kent Elliott of Tahoka; seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by one sister, Peggy Elliott.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or the First Methodist Church of Tahoka.

Senior Citizens MENU

December 8-12
Monday-Beef stroganoff, egg noodles, broccoli, wheat roll, strawberry of peach shortcake
Tuesday- Baked ham, blackeyed peas, brussel sprouts, carrot raisin salad, hot roll cherry cobbler
Wednesday-Chicken Fried Steak, white gravy, baked potato, green beans, wheat roll, apricots
Thursday-Burritos, pinto beans, tossed salad/1000 island, cranberry delight
Friday-Polish sausage, cabbage, green peas, pickle, cornbread, pumpkin crunch or bars

Lynn County Merchants Appreciate Your Business!

Cub Scouts Sponsor Food Drive For Pioneer Center

Tahoka Cub Scout Pack #782 is sponsoring a food drive benefiting the Lynn County Pioneers Senior Citizens Center. Scouts are asking the community to help them with their Christmas service project by contributing non-perishable food items.

Drop-off dates are this Friday, Dec. 5, Friday, Dec. 12 and Friday, Dec. 19. Those who have children in elementary school can send the food to school with their children on those dates. There will also be boxes for food items at Main Street Express and at Thriftway Grocery on these dates.

"We appreciate any help you can give," said a Scout sponsor.

Santa Claus is coming to PJ's!
BRING THE KIDS FRIDAY, DEC. 5TH
from 4:30-6:30 pm
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561-6507
Hours: 10-5 Mon-Thurs, 10-8 Fridays

Baby-Sitting This Friday!

5th and 6th Grade G.A.'s will sponsor Baby-Sitting for ages 2 to 7 (or 8) at First Baptist Church in Tahoka 6:00-10:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5th.

Donations accepted -- to be used for Mission Projects!

Contact Pat Adams at First Baptist Church, 561-4558.

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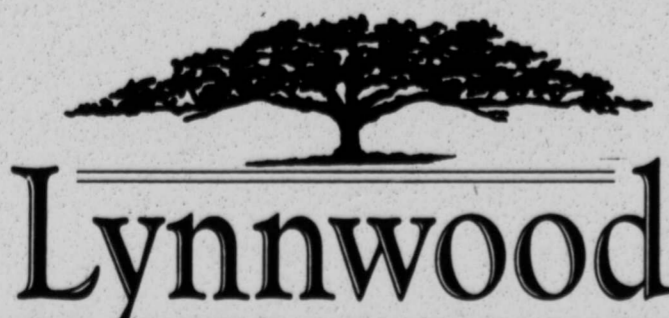


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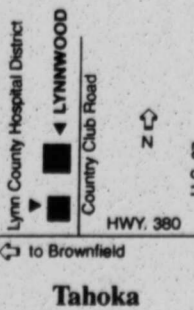
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Praise the Lord!

GOSPEL SINGING



Sunday, December 7th
5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Tahoka Church of Christ
SANDWICH SUPPER FOLLOWING



We want you to join us in celebrating our Lord in song. This event is for all ages.
Songleader: Jackie Qualls, Youth Minister at Sunset Church of Christ

Best Available

Couple

Doyal and Bet wedding anniversary Baptist Church of Their son Rick Jason, of Lubbock Atlanta, GA, hoste July of this year to grandsons.

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John L. and F anniversary. Their herd and their fam The Shepherd:

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Dine In or Plates served v

OPEN HOUSE



MR. AND MRS. DOYAL SPINKS

Couple Celebrates 50th Anniversary

Doyal and Betty Henry Spinks of Wolforth are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. The couple was married on Dec. 6, 1953 at Bethel Baptist Church of Tahoka.

Their son Rick Spinks, wife Charlotte and their children Shannon and Jason, of Lubbock, and daughter Brenda Somers and husband Tommy, of Atlanta, GA, hosted a family reception at the Barcelona Court in Lubbock in July of this year to celebrate the occasion. The couple also have three great-grandsons.



MR. AND MRS. JOHN L. SHEPHERD

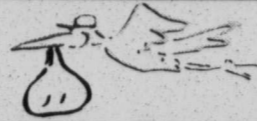
Couple Celebrates Golden Anniversary

John L. and Frances Shepherd recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Their children, Angela Shepherd, Casey Nelms and Jim Shepherd and their families hosted a luncheon in their honor.

The Shepherds currently reside in Galveston.

Christmas Play Set At Trinity

Area residents are invited to attend a Christmas play, "The Night Before Christmas," at Tahoka Trinity Church this Sunday, Dec. 7, at 7 p.m. in the church sanctuary. There is no admission, and the public is invited. The church is located at 1925 Lockwood in Tahoka.



STORK REPORT

Jason Patric Quintanilla was born to John and Sally Quintanilla of Brownfield on Thursday, November 6, 2003. He weighed 7 lbs. 9 oz. and was 20 inches long.

Grandparents are Joe and Andrea Lara, and Rita Quintanilla, all of Tahoka, and Johnny Quintanilla of Lubbock. He has two older brothers, Jonathan and Jacob.

Reed and Adree Williams are proud to announce the arrival of their baby sister, Addee Karoline Williams. Addee arrived on November 6, 2003 at 9:32 a.m. She weighed 7 lbs. 11 ozs. and was 20-1/2 inches long. Proud parents are Keith and Jancee Williams.

Proud grandparents are Shorty and Nancy Williams of Tahoka, James and Jacke Haisler of Seymour, Virgil and Janie Kincaid of Trinidad, West Indies. Great grandparents are Armentha Martin of Albany, Jossie Brown and Edward Haisler of Seymour.

Furlow, Bray Featured In Law Magazine Story

Tahoka attorney Philip Mack Furlow and local businessman Walt Bray appeared in a recent story about client/attorney relationships in the magazine of the State Bar of Texas, the Texas Bar Journal.

Both were part of a series of articles entitled, "Texas Lawyers' Clients Tell Their Stories - I Love My Lawyer, Part One."

Bray, who sells tractors and other farm machinery, is a successful businessman who rides motorcycles, flies his own plane, and travels from Texas to Alaska in his motor home. Furlow, a partner in the Huffaker-Furlow law firm in Tahoka, has represented Bray in several cases.

"I don't let people run over me," Bray said in the article. "That's what I like about Philip Mack. He isn't scared, and he is a straight-shooter. He lays it out where I can understand whether I have a case or not. Then I can make a decision whether to pursue it, or forget it and go on."

The article went on to touch on several cases in which Furlow represented Bray.

Valor To Offer Local Number Portability in May

Local Number Portability, which will enable home phone numbers to be switched to cellular phones, will be implemented in Valor Telecom's West Texas service area on May 24, 2004.

Implementation will only occur next Monday, November 24, in the nation's 100-largest metropolitan statistical areas—none of which are in Valor's West Texas service area.

"As mandated by the Federal Communications Commission, Local Number Portability only goes into effect on November 24 in the country's 100 most populous areas," said Bill Ojile, senior vice president and general counsel of Valor. "Due to a number of inquiries Valor has received at its call centers, we want to do everything we can to help our customers avoid any needless confusion about this issue."

Valor's West Texas service area includes the communities of Tahoka and Wilson.

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THE GREAT PUMPKIN RACE - Tahoka Elementary students had fun rolling pumpkins in the elementary gym before Thanksgiving, giving the students something new to try their hands at. In front here is Payton Howard, a fourth grader, as students race against each other, using sticks to roll their pumpkins.

Hospital Board Meets

Lynn County Hospital directors met Tuesday, Nov. 25, in a brief routine session.

Virginia Griffing presided in the absence of Board President Billy Tomlinson and Vice President Jerry Ford. Present were board members Griffing, Joan Knox, Mike Rivas and John Hawthorne. Also absent was board member Dalton Wood.

SPCAA Announces Food Program

South Plains Community Action Association (SPCAA), announced its policy for free and reduced priced meals served under the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). Each facility and SPCAA have a copy of the policy, which any one may review. Day care facilities include Small Wonders Head Start at 1304 Avenue J, P.O. Box 666, Tahoka, TX 79373.

The information that each household provides is confidential and will

be used only to determine eligibility and verify data.

Area Residents Are invited to Open House
 At the
Lynn County Courthouse
 2-4 p.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 17

Letters from Santa!

Let us send your child a personalized letter from Santa!

\$5.00/letter

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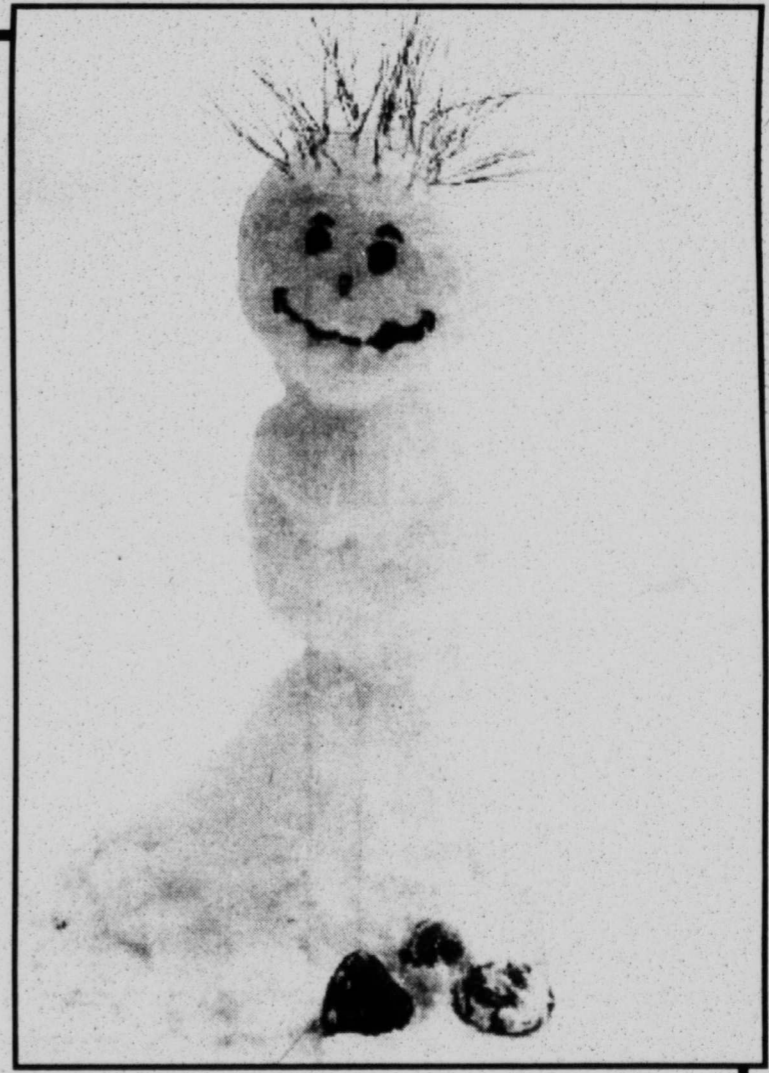
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HAVE YOUR Holiday Tamales READY MADE!

The Blessed Sacrament Guadalupanas are sponsoring a TAMALE SALE -- by the dozen or by the plate.

Sunday, December 14th • 11 am-3 pm

Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall
 15th St. & Culpepper in Wilson

Dine In or Carry Out - Plates \$6; Dozen Tamales \$6

Plates served with tamales, rice, beans, salad, dessert and coffee or tea.

OPEN HOUSE

The Staff of
 Lynn County Appraisal District
 invites everyone to their
Christmas Open House

Thursday, Dec. 4th
 from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.
 1035 Ave. I in Tahoka
 (Open throughout the lunch hour too)

First National Bank has a full range of services:

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U.S. Army 1st Lt. Daniel Santos arrived in Tahoka Thursday just in time to celebrate Thanksgiving Day with his family. He returned from an eight-month tour of duty where he served with the fourth Infantry Division based at Camp Anaconda near Balad, Iraq.

Just after 12:00 noon on Thursday, Daniel arrived in Tahoka where he was greeted by family members from Tahoka, O'Donnell, Lubbock and Arlington. The Santos family gathered at the Tahoka Senior Citizens Center to celebrate Thanksgiving Day and Daniel's homecoming.

1st Lt. Daniel Santos has been in the Army or Army Reserves for 14 years. He is a high school graduate of O'Donnell High School, Texas Tech and received his Master's at Tarleton State University in Stephenville, Texas.

He is stationed at Ft. Sill, Oklahoma. He has a wife, Johnnie and three children: Madison, Macy and Mason. He is the son of the late Richard and Sofia Santos of O'Donnell.

Marine Corps Lance Cpl. Jesus A. Rivera, son of Delia Rivera and Jesus Oliva of Tahoka, is currently on deployment while assigned to the 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU), home based in Camp Pendleton, Calif.

Members of Rivera's unit recently completed operations in Iraq. The MEU conducted more than 300 patrols in Southern Iraq including 50 by the MEU's boat company. Rivera's unit also trained local police in the setup of security checkpoints, confiscated weapons and destroyed more than 2,000 rounds of ordnance, much of which was found near villages and playgrounds.

Rivera's unit is an expeditionary intervention force with the ability to rapidly organize for combat operations in virtually any environment. MEUs are composed of more than 2,000 personnel and are divided into an infantry battalion, aircraft squadron, support group and command element.

Rivera is a 2000 graduate of Tahoka High School and joined the Marine Corps in June 2000.



HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS - U.S. Army 1st Lt. Daniel Santos returned recently from an eight-month tour of duty in Iraq, spending the Thanksgiving holidays with family members from Tahoka and O'Donnell. He is a graduate of O'Donnell High School, and is stationed at Ft. Sill, OK. He is shown here with his wife, Johnnie, and three children, Mason, Madison and Macy.

NOW AT THE LIBRARY No Second Chance by Harlan Coben

Marc Seidman awakens to find himself in an ICU, hooked up to an IV, his head swathed in bandages. Twelve days earlier, he'd led an enviable life as a successful surgeon, living in a peaceful neighborhood with a beautiful wife and baby he adored. Now he lies in a hospital bed, shot by an unseen assailant; his wife has been killed and his six-month-old daughter has vanished. But just when his world seems forever shattered, something arrives to give Marc new hope: a ransom note.

Both a white-knuckle thriller and a story about the loyalty of old friends and the bond between parent and child, *No Second Chance* is another masterpiece from an author who writes "suspense at its finest" (Jeffery Deaver).

The City-County Library is located inside the Life Enrichment Center, 1717 Main Street in Tahoka. The hours are Mondays and Wednesdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (closed 12-30-1:30 for lunch); Tuesdays and Thursdays, 2-7 p.m.; and Saturdays, 10 am to 1 pm.

Lynn County Area Cotton Bale Count

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

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| New Home Coop-Lakeview | 28,075 |
| Wilson Coop Gin-Wilson | 14,510 |
| Farmers Coop Assn. #1-Tahoka | 13,328 |
| Farmers Coop Gin-O'Donnell | 10,450 |
| Wells Coop Gin | 8,900 |
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Funds Still Needed For "Christmas For Kids"

Very little funding has come in for this year's Lynn County "Christmas For Kids" program, according to County Treasurer Janet Porterfield, who heads up the program that provides Christmas gifts for needy children in the county.

She did say that more people have signed up this year for "adopting" children for Christmas gifts, but that anyone planning to adopt should do so by Dec. 6.

Dec. 6 is also the last sign up date for "Christmas For Kids," at 10 a.m. in the courthouse basement courtroom (use west entrance).

To sign up the parent or guardian will need to show a WIC, Medicaid or Food Stamp card.

Lyntegar Co-op To Purchase Electricity From Golden Spread

Lyntegar Electric Cooperative, headquartered in Tahoka, is one of five electric cooperatives that have joined Amarillo-based Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, bringing member cooperatives to 16, with loads exceeding 1,000 megawatts and annual revenues exceeding \$300 million.

According to information released this week by Golden Spread, the new members will assign their existing wholesale power contracts to Golden Spread. As soon as all required contractual and regulatory approvals can be obtained, Golden Spread will become responsible for supplying electricity to these new members.

Lyntegar officials say the move will not change day-to-day operations at the local cooperative.

New members of the alliance other than Lyntegar are Coleman County Electric Co-op, headquartered in Coleman; Concho Valley Electric Co-op, headquartered in San Angelo; Southwest Texas Electric Co-op, headquartered in Eldorado; and Taylor Electric Co-op, headquartered in Merkel.

Golden Spread is a consumer-owned generation and transmission cooperative organized in 1984 to provide low cost, reliable electric service for 11 rural distribution cooperatives. The original members cooperatives are located in the Texas Panhandle, the Oklahoma Panhandle and the Texas South Plains. The new member co-ops serve counties in West Texas and the Edwards Plateau region.

Golden Spread and its 16-member system will now serve approximately 184,000 meters in 80 counties, and have a combined 68,400 miles of energized line. Golden Spread generates a portion of its members' electricity needs and purchases the balance from other wholesalers. Golden Spread also sells energy to other utilities when its power supply resources are not needed to serve member system loads.

Golden Spread owns 50 percent of Mustang Station, a state-of-the-art generating facility located near Denver City. Mustang Station burns natural gas in two large turbine-generators to produce 300 megawatts of power. Exhaust heat from the gas turbines is converted to steam to power a third generator with no additional fuel cost. The combined output of Mustang Station is 480 megawatts.

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Emergency Farm Loan Applications Now Accepted

Applications for emergency farm loan for losses caused by excessive rain, hail, and high winds, that occurred from June 1, 2003, through June 30, 2003, are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency (FSA) office located in Tahoka. FSA Farm Loan Manager Curtis Barlow said.

Lynn County is one of 12 counties recently named by Secretary of Agriculture Ann M. Veneman as eligible for loans to cover part of actual production losses resulting from the rain, hail and high winds.

Barlow said farmers may be eligible for loans of up to 80 percent of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to continue in business, whichever is less. For farmers unable to obtain credit from private commercial lenders, the interest is 3.75 percent.

"As a general rule, a farmer must have suffered at least a 30 percent loss of production to be eligible for an FSA emergency loan," Barlow

said. Farmers participating in the Federal Crop Insurance program will have to figure in proceeds from this program in determining their loss. "Applications for loans under this emergency designation will be accepted until July 6, 2004, but farmers should apply as soon as possible. Delays in applying could create backlogs in processing and possibly over into the new farming season," Barlow said.

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

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Thank you Bro. Charlie and Ken for the beautiful service. A heart felt thanks to everyone at the Trinity Church who prepared and served the meal and all the acts of kindness. Jimmy Howard we appreciate you more than you know. A very very special thank you to Dr. S. P.A.'s, and staff at LCHD, Lynnwood, and Tahoka Care Center. God Bless each of you.

The Family of Louise Durham
Marvin Pierce and family
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49-11p

Our dear sweet Mama has passed from this earth. But she will continue to live in our hearts. We would like to Thank every one for the flowers, memorials, cards, phone calls, visits, food, prayers and the whispers of comfort.

A special thank you to Dr. Freitag, Hospital staff, Ambulance crew, Pastor Charlie Stice, Ben Edwards, and White Funeral Home.

She was a precious Mother, Grandmother and friend. We will miss her so much.

Thank you again, from the children of Louise Durham:

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Thanks be to God for the unity of the body of Christ and the power of believers coming together to call upon the name of the Lord. God is so good and we are so grateful for all the visits, phone calls, cards and prayers for Lonnie and our family. Where two or three are gathered together, He is there also. We felt His presence always as many different churches were lifting us up in prayer. God pours His blessings upon us and you are all considered His blessings to us. Thank you!

The Lonnie Isbell Family
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Wednesday-Chicken fried steak, pizza sticks w/sauce, PBJ sandwich, ceasar Turkey sandwich, macaroni & cheese, pickles spear, orange half, ice cream
Thursday-BBQ chicken, BBQ on a bun, PBJ sandwich, shaker salad, mash potatoes, corn, choice of fruit
Friday-Cowboy burger, ham & cheese, PBJ sandwich, ceasar ham salad, tossed salad, fries, apple sauce

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Tahoka Sports News

by Tahoka High School Journalism Students

Varsity Girls Basketball

By Meghan Saldana

The Lady Bulldogs beat Littlefield November 21, 42-28. Top scorers were Meghan Saldana, 16; and Damesha Harris, 13.

They won their season opener November 18, against the Hale Center Owlettes, 63-27. High scorers were Saldana, 21; Shanti Hood, 12; and Brandi Raindl, 11.

The Lady Dogs were defeated by Muleshoe 80-37 on Nov. 25. Top scorers were Meghan Saldana, 12, and Damesha Harris, 10.

They played Smyer Nov. 24, winning 56-41. High scorers were Harris 22 and Brandi Raindl 13.

Varsity Boys Basketball

By Ashdon Hancock

On Tuesday, Nov. 25, the Bulldogs gave the Muleshoe Mules a run for their money. Late in the fourth quarter the boys ran out of gas, losing the game 53-40. Top scorers were Zach Tillman with 10, Casey Hall with 9, and Colby Gardner had 8. The Bulldogs will travel to Abernathy on Dec. 2 to put up a fight against the Lopes.

On Monday, November 24, the Bulldogs faced the Stanton Buffaloes in a tight ball game, but pulled it away with a 46-38 win. Top scorers for the Bulldogs were Casey Hall with 13 points, Zach Tillman put in seven points.

Last Friday, the Bulldogs had a rough road game against the 3A Littlefield Wildcats with their 63-26 loss. Top scorers were Hall with nine points; Tillman with five points and Colby Gardner with four points.

The Bulldogs put the Hale Center Owls back on their perch November 18, with a 64-59 win. Casey Hall was the top scorer with 20 points, Michael Nance put in 17, and Zach Tillman helped out with 10 points.

JV Girls Basketball

By Brandi Raindl

On Nov. 25, the Lady Bulldogs traveled to Muleshoe and were defeated 49-34. Porscha Mitchell had a big game against the Mules scoring 20 points. Also scoring was Ashley Lam with 7, Stacie Green with 5, and Callie Botkin with 2. On Monday, November 24, the Lady Bulldogs defeated the Abernathy Antelopes, 53-24.

Porscha Mitchell led the Bulldogs with 14, Jaci Hammonds came in next with 11, and Jessica Chancy and Ashley Lam were next with 7 each.

On Friday, November 21, the Lady Dawgs, tamed the Littlefield Wildcats, 49-30.

High point for the Lady Dawgs was Porscha Mitchell with 11, next was Callie Botkin with 9, and Jessica Chancy and Jaci Hammonds added 6 each to the win.

JV Boys Basketball

By Colby Gardner

On Nov. 24, the Stanton Buffaloes traveled to the Doghouse to play the JV Dogs. It was a close game, but the Buffaloes came through at the end to win 33-30.

On Nov. 25, the Tahoka JV Dogs traveled to Muleshoe. The Dogs came out strong, and kept it a close game until the end when they ran out of gas. The final score of the game was 65-48 for Muleshoe.

8th Grade Girls Basketball

By Mandi Benavidez

On Monday, November 24th, the eighth grade Lady Bulldogs duked it out with the New Deal Lady Lions. The Lady Bulldogs lost, 36-10.

The top scorers were Christina Pina and Corlee Greene, both with 4 points each.

The Lady Bulldogs played the Idalou Wildcats, November 17. It was a close game, but the Lady Bulldogs lost, 36-24.

The top scorers were Jessica McLelland with 6 points and Tawnee Murillo with 4 points.

"It was a good game, I thought the team really pulled together after halftime. I look forward to future victories," Jessica McLelland said.

On Monday, Dec. 1, the Lady Bulldogs played the Roosevelt Lady Eagles. It was a nail biter from start to finish, but the Lady Bulldogs lost, 32-19. Top scorers were Lindsay Barrientz with 8 points

and Jessica McLelland with 4 points. Their next game will be at Post on Dec. 8.

8th Grade Boys Basketball

by Meredith Pittman

The boys scooted by the New Deal Lions with a 33-32 victory November 24. Top scorer was Josh Freitag, he had 13 points. Other scorers were Ernest Gomez with 7; Ty Cloe with 5, and Britt Wuensche with 1.

"The kids played the hardest game I have seen so far," said Coach Wiseman. "At the end of the game we were tied 32-32 with no time left. Britt Wuensche got fouled and got to shoot only one free throw and he made it, giving us the win."

The weekend of November 20-22 the Bulldogs participated in the Idalou tournament. The first round the boys were defeated 61-28 by Floydada. Top scorers were Levi McKay and Cloe, both with 7 points. The second game of the tournament resulted in a 30-17 loss to the New Deal Lions. Top scorer, Freitag, racked in 6 points while Gomez had 5, McKay 4, and Wuensche 2.

The boys started off the season November 17 losing 50-19 to the Idalou Wildcats. McKay scored 7 points, Freitag, 6; Tyler Pebsworth, 3; Vincent Cowan, 2; and Cloe, 1.

The Bulldogs lost Dec. 1 against Roosevelt, 46-22. Top scorer of the game was Levi McKay with 10 points and Ernest Gomez with 4.

Their next game will be Dec. 8 in Post.

7th Grade Girls Basketball

by Cristal Amador

On Monday, November 24, the 7th grade Tahoka Lady Bulldogs played against New Deal. The ending score was 57-37, providing another victory for Tahoka basketball. High scorers were Cori Vega with 33 points and Virginia Pina with six points.

On November 17, the team played a dominating game against Idalou, 35-7. Vega was the high scorer with 26 points.

"The team showed progress from practice, which paid off," said Coach Andress.

On Monday, Dec. 1, the Lady Bulldogs defeated the Roosevelt Eagles. With both teams at 33 points, the game went into overtime and Tahoka triumphed 38-34. Cori Vega was again the high scorer with 29 points, Nicole Taylor had 5 points, and Samantha Pridmore scored 4 for the Bulldogs.

The team's next game will take place in Post on Dec. 8.

Texas Farm Bureau Resolutions Committee Meets In Waco

The annual session of the Texas Farm Bureau Resolutions Committee provides a unique perspective on the thinking of the farm and ranch community. The Resolutions Committee is charged with sifting through the hundreds of policy resolutions submitted by County Farm Bureaus, and prepare them for action by the voting delegates at the Texas Farm Bureau convention. The committee completed its work Wednesday at the TFB state headquarters in Waco.

Lloyd Arthur of Ralls, TFB Vice President, chaired the committee, which consisted of three farmers or ranchers from each of TFB's 13 Districts, plus the chairman of the TFB Young Farmer and Rancher Committee.

Arthur said that recent improvements in cattle and cotton prices have some segments of agriculture in an "improvement mode," but he said the industry remains vulnerable.

Among the resolutions the committee approved for consideration by convention delegates:

- + Support of a ban on packer ownership of livestock 14 days prior to slaughter
- + A proposal to establish country of origin labeling (COOL) as voluntary and not mandatory
- + Opposition of the transferring of water through rivers, lakes and streams for the purposes of water marketing
- + A recommendation to the American Farm Bureau Federation Board to study the Fair Tax consumption tax plan that has been proposed to replace federal income taxes
- + Proposal for schools to be financed by means other than property taxes

The Texas Farm Bureau state convention will be held in Waco on December 7-8. State resolutions approved there will become policy of the Texas Farm Bureau. National resolutions that are approved at the meeting will be forwarded to the American Farm Bureau Federation, which meets in Hawaii in January.



4TH GRADE UIL WINNERS - Ribbon winners at the Tahoka Elementary UIL Academic Meet from fourth grade included, back row from left, Christopher Reyes, Carson Lehman, Nancy Munoz, April Lam; and in front, Ariana Monsevais, Braiden Fisher, Paul Bernal, Zach Garcia, Andy Hinds, and not pictured, Logan Tekell and Francisco Rivera.



YOUNG UIL WINNERS - Tahoka 2nd-3rd grade students who won ribbons at the Tahoka Elementary UIL Academic Meet included, in back row from left, 3rd graders Maddie Barham, Sarah Freitag, Luke Hawthorne, Brandon Lucas, Taya Bishop, and 2nd grade Erynn Harris; and in front, 3rd graders Chad Darwactor, Smith McLelland, Jori Chapa, Efrain Ramirez, and Damien Montez.

The WILSON News

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The First Baptist Church in Wilson had a successful Thanksgiving Dinner last week with Walter and Alene Hunt presenting a program on missions and the Walkers providing entertainment. Thanks to all who helped make this a success.

The Wilson First Baptist Church will have a Christmas program on Sunday, December 14th at 6:00 pm. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy these activities with us.

As the holidays approach please remember to contact Carol Yowell with any local news or activities so that all may be involved and informed.

Have a safe week and be careful as you do your Christmas shopping.

Wilson School Menu

December 8-12

Breakfast

Monday-French toast
Tuesday-Egg sausage burrito
Wednesday-Cinnamon roll
Thursday-Eggs, toast, hash browns
Friday-Cheese toast

Lunch

Monday- BBQ sandwich, pickles, onion, fries, fruit
Tuesday-Frito pie, beans, fruit
Wednesday-6-12, salad bar or corn dog, tator tots, carrot sticks, fruit; PK-5 Hot Pocket, salad, carrot sticks, fruit
Thursday-Chicken nuggets, mash potatoes, green beans, gravy, rolls, fruit
Friday-Pizza, salad, carrot sticks, fruit

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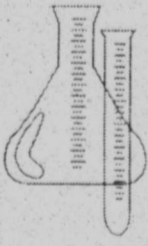
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The NEW HOME News

by Karon Durham
924-7448

December 4-6 the fifth graders will host a bake sale.

The Varsity teams will play at Borden County Tournament.

Red Ribbon Raffle starts on December 4, bring \$1.00 to buy a chance at a prize filled stocking.

December 8 the Jr. High will meet Wellman.

On December 9 New Home travels to Loop.

December 10 K-12 will have a ballon bash by the yearbook staff.

New Home School Menu

December 8-12

Breakfast

Monday- Pancake Pups
Tuesday-Granola Bars
Wednesday-Funnel Cake
Thursday-Biscuit/Sausage
Friday-Blueberry muffins

Lunch

Monday-Chicken Quesadilla, lettuce/tomato, carrot/cucumber, Spanish rice, pineapple slices
Tuesday-Sandwich bar, pickle spears, baby carrots, orange wedges, sherbet
Wednesday-Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes, green beans, fruit cup, hot rolls
Thursday-Pizza, lettuce/tomato, corn, chocolate pudding
Friday-Cheeseburger, lettuce/tomato, pickles, French fries

Notice

Notice of Drinking Water NITRATE Violation

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has notified the City of Wilson water system that the drinking water being supplied to customers had exceeded the maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for NITRATE. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has established the MCL for NITRATE at 10 mg/L, and has determined that it is a health concern at levels above the MCL. Analysis of drinking water in your community for NITRATE indicates a level of 11.01 mg/L.

Infants below the age of six months who drink water containing nitrate in excess of the MCL could become seriously ill and, if untreated, may die. Symptoms include shortness of breath and blue baby syndrome. If your child is under the age of six months, the child must be given an alternative water supply for any consumption. Boiling the affected water is not an effective treatment for nitrate removal.

Most consumers do not need to use an alternative water supply. However, if you have health concerns, you may want to talk to your doctor to get more information about how this may affect you. At this time, the health effects to fetuses of pregnant women is unclear. If you are pregnant, you may also choose to use an alternative source of water for drinking and cooking purposes.

We are working to correct the problem.

We are receiving Technical assistance from TCEQ. We have a RO unit attached to a designated tap located at the city office for use by anyone desiring RO water.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

For further information contact: Roy Isham at 628-6221 or 628-6283.
Public Water System ID#1530003

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NOTICE

The undersigned hereby gives notice of application to the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, Austin, Texas for renewal of a Private Club Registration permit located at 1103 South 6th Street, Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas, under the name of The tin Ranch. Margarito Serna DeLeon - Director & President
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