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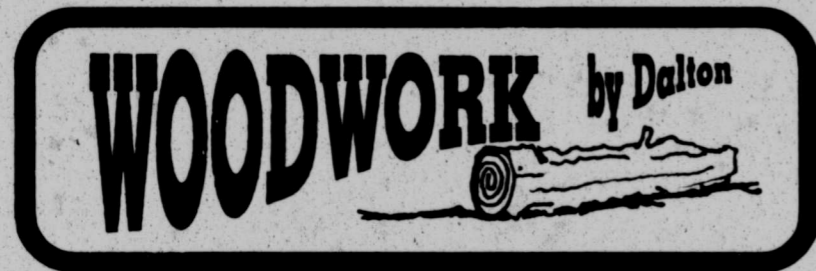
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AT A RESTAURANT last week I exchanged hellos and how-yalls with some friends named Stone and later I asked them if they had ever considered how many people's name are related to building materials. Of course, they had more important things to think about, but I told them some of my own family history anyway.

My name, of course, is Wood, and about the time I graduated from high school, my mother remarried a man named House.

My great-grandfather's name was Wall (Jeff, who lived at Newport TX), and his wife's maiden name was Board.

When we lived at Newburgh, Ind. In the 1950s, Alcoa Aluminum built a large plant near that small town on the Ohio River. One day a man came into the newspaper office and introduced himself as Joe Steele, liaison man for the new plant. So I told Mr. Steele, with the aluminum company, that my name was Wood, with the local paper.

I knew a man in Lubbock named Allen Hammer, and I also have known others named Stone, Wood, Steel, Glass and Sands. I also knew a man named Brickman and a couple of guys whose first name was Brick and one who called himself Rock.

I have not yet met anyone whose last names were Nails, Sawhorse, Drill, Gravel or Glue.

One of the Three Little Pigs built his house of straw, and the Big Bad Wolf huffed and puffed and blew his house down. Had this been in West Texas, the wolf could have saved his breath.

A first grade teacher had read the story of the Three Little Pigs and then asked her class: "Remember, the third little pig looked around and saw a man pushing a wheelbarrow full of bricks, so he asked the man if he could have some of those bricks, and what do you think the man said?"

"Well," said one little boy, "He probably said 'Holy smoke! A talking pig!'"

I just threw that in there to make this column longer.

There also is an old joke about the guy who said, "My wife and I are in the Iron & Steel business: she irons and I steal."

Anyway, it seems that I have always been around people named for building materials or related activities. Even when I was a kid I played with construction paper and erector sets, and just a few years back, my wife and I both had the shingles.

WHEN THE Wise Guy at Wilson read that "There are no words in the dictionary that rhyme with orange, purple or silver," he commented that "This is not information I would killer."

### Early Voting Locations For Elections In Lynn County April 28-May 11

(Vote during regular weekday business hours)

City of Tahoka:	Lynn County Clerk's Office
Tahoka ISD:	Lynn County Clerk's Office
Wilson ISD:	WISD Central Office
City of New Home:	New Home City Hall
New Home ISD:	NHISD Superintendent's Office
City of O'Donnell:	O'Donnell City Hall
O'Donnell ISD:	OISD Tax Office

ELECTION DAY: SATURDAY, MAY 15, 2004



REGIONAL ATHLETES - New Home High School regional qualifiers from the Lady Leopards track team include, from left, Shea Wilkinson, 300m hurdles; Lauren Wied, high jump and 800m run; Brooke Kieth, 100m dash; and Tory Estrada, 3200m run. The girls are competing at the Class A Regional Track Meet April 30-May 1 in Levelland.

## THS Band Earns First-Ever Consecutive Sweepstakes

The Tahoka High School Band has established a tradition of excellence, earning their fourth Large Sweepstakes Award in Tahoka's history last week. It was the second consecutive year for the THS Band to claim the coveted prize, and a first for the band in earning back-to-back Sweepstakes - something no other Tahoka Band has accomplished.

On Tuesday, April 20, at Sundown High School the Tahoka 3-D

Band earned a Superior in Concert and Sightreading which combined with the Superior rating they received last fall in Marching to qualify for the elusive Large Sweepstakes. They have now established themselves a tradition of Sweepstakes by earning them in 2001, 2003, and 2004. The first was in 1952.

The 59-member band performed a march written specifically for the 3-D Band, entitled Tahoka Galop. They then played two new numbers on the UIL list, Dolce & Dance and Quintology. According to directors Carroll Rhodes and Lora Smith, all three numbers were quite challenging and Quintology, although listed as a 2A should have been a 3A since it was in a difficult 5/4 time and had six solos in it. Of the eight 2A schools that competed Tuesday, only three bands came away with 1's in concert.

"The band played beautifully and with musical depth and feeling, enough to bring tears to my eyes," stated Rhodes. "They were gorgeous. Awesome!"

The public can hear the band perform on Thursday, May 20, at 7:00 p.m. in the air conditioned auditorium, as the 3-D Band along with the high school choir will present their annual spring concert, which will include the three pieces performed for UIL as well as several other entertaining and fun numbers.

## Wreck Near Wilson Injures Slaton Man

A pickup rolled over three times into a field about a mile north of Wilson Sunday night, injuring the driver, a Slaton man.

Joe Earl Johnson, 26, was taken by Lynn County EMS ambulance to Lynn County Hospital for treatment after overturning his 2000 Ford Ranger pickup, which came to rest on its side in the field at the corner of FM 400 and County Rd. 9, according to the investigating DPS trooper. Extent of his injuries was not disclosed.

During the last week, Tahoka Police arrested a Tahoka man on a domestic violence charge, a Tucson AZ man on a drunk driving charge, and an O'Donnell woman on charges of possession of marijuana under two ounces.

Latest released figures on the number of persons in Lynn County jail showed a total of 44, with 10 of these held for Garza County and 17 for Lubbock County.

## Early Voting Opens For City, School Elections

Early voting for all city and school elections in Lynn County began Wednesday, April 28 and continues through May 11 at various voting locations. Election day is Saturday, May 15, with polling locations open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. During early voting, the polls will be open during the regular business hours of the various entities.

Following is a list of all candidates filing for elections in Lynn County, with incumbents listed with an (I). Lynn County Hospital District and City of Wilson entities both cancelled their elections due to uncontested races.

**City of Tahoka:** 3 single-member district-council seats, 2-year terms. Early voting at Lynn County Clerk's Office at County Courthouse. District 2 - Clara Calvillo (I), Jeanie Stone; District 4 - Jay Dee House (I); District 5 At-Large - Ray Box (I).

**Tahoka ISD:** 3 single-member district seats, 3-year terms. Early voting at Lynn County Clerk's Office at County Courthouse. Precinct 1 - Leighton Knox Jr. (I), Kent Kahl; Precinct 2 - Joe Calvillo (I), Kelly Draper, Danny Paris, Mike Rivas; Precinct 5 - Carmen Chapa (I), Carlos Morales.

Precinct maps for both Tahoka ISD and City of Tahoka are posted on the front door of *The Lynn County News*.

**Wilson ISD:** Special election for a 2-year unexpired term. Two Candidates: Janie Zepeda, Mike Buckner.

Early voting at Wilson ISD Central Office. (The 3 full-term positions are unopposed, therefore no ballots will be offered for those positions to be filled by Lonnie Paul Donald, J.B. Kirk, and Janie Rios.)

**City of New Home:** 7 candidates for 3 council seats, 2-year terms. Candidates: Dale Clem (I), Jesus Ramirez, LaVonne Sharp, Billy Ray Smith, Mario Rodriguez, Louis Rodriguez (I), Roger Martin. Early voting at New Home City Hall.

**New Home ISD:** Bond Election; and Trustee Election, 8 candidates for 3 seats, 3-year terms. Candidates: Michael White (I), Angie Kieth, Leo Torres, Jr., Kevin Mitchell (I), Paula Ford, Danny Nettles, Debi Maloney, Tommy Harmonson. Early voting at New Home ISD Superintendent Office.

**City of O'Donnell:** Mayor and 2 council seats, 2-year terms. 3 Candidates for Mayor: James Williams (I), Maurice Jackson, Jamie Casillas;

4 Candidates for Council: Harry Howell (I), Max Mendieta, Anita Guajardo (I), Willie Luera. Early voting at O'Donnell City Hall.

**O'Donnell ISD:** 4 Candidates for 3 seats, 3-year terms. Candidates: Kirby Williams (I), Ben Franklin, Willie Villarreal (I), Dan Mott (I). Early voting at O'Donnell ISD Tax Office.

## National Day Of Prayer Is May 6

As Americans troops continue fighting for liberty in various countries, United States citizens are preparing to celebrate their freedom to gather, worship and pray. Millions will answer the call to prayer on May 6, the 53<sup>rd</sup> annual National Day of Prayer, by coming together to intercede for the nation.

"Our leaders confront difficult challenges every day and our society faces a future of uncertainty," said National Day of Prayer Task Force Chairman Shirley Dobson. "We live in the land of the free where 'we the people' can openly call upon God for wisdom, protection and blessing."

As in previous years, President George W. Bush, all 50 governors and the governors from the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico are expected to sign proclamations setting aside the first Thursday in May as a day of prayer.

The theme for this year's event is "Let Freedom Ring" and is based on Leviticus 25:10, "...proclaim liberty throughout the land to all its inhabitants."

First Baptist Church of Tahoka will be hosting a National Day of Prayer Breakfast on Thursday, May 6<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 7:30 AM in the church's fellowship hall. The church sanctuary will also be open during the noon hour for those who wish to come and pray. A prayer guide will be provided. Pastor Richard Harbison encourages the community to join together in prayer for our nation, our leaders, and our community.

## Booster Club News

The Tahoka Bulldog Athletic Booster Club has scheduled its next meeting for Wednesday, May 5th at 8:00pm in the LRC at Tahoka High School.

*Lynn County merchants appreciate your business!*



**\$500 DONATION** - SPJST Lodge 215 presented the City/County Library with a \$500 donation recently for large-print books for the library. Presenting the check to Librarian Shirley Draper are, from left, District Advisor Stanley Broz, Vice President Kelly Draper and President Michael Angeley.



**FIRST PLACE** - Kenneth Graves, 12 years old, earned first place in the Cruiser Class last Friday at the Lubbock Motor Speedway. He is the son of Micky and Mary Graves of New Home, and grandson of Willie and Betty Nicman of Slaton and Freda Holler of New Home. Races are held at 8 p.m. Fridays, and on April 30 anyone from Lynn County may get in free if they show a driver's license, according to the Graves.

## Public Performance Set Monday: "Beggar's Opera" Ends Run At Regional OAP Contest

Tahoka High School's One Act Play, "The Beggar's Opera," concluded a great run of performances Friday at the Region 1-AA One Act Play Contest held at Abilene Christian University, with three cast members named for individual honors. The play, while receiving highly complimentary comments from the judge, did not advance to the State contest.

The public is invited to see one last performance of "The Beggar's Opera" when cast and crew present it for the public on Monday night, May 3rd at 7:30 p.m. in the Tahoka High School auditorium. Coffee and desserts will be served afterward in the library, and cash donations will be accepted to help pay for the group's trip to Six Flags at Arlington.

Cade Miller and Cory Carrasco were named to the All Star Cast and Kyndra Selmon was selected to the Honorable Mention All Star Cast after their performance at ACU's Cullen Auditorium at the regional contest.

Plays from Nocona and Spearman were selected to advance to the State One Act Play contest in Austin.

"I was very proud of the performance and hard work the kids exhibited at contest Friday. They gave their best performance to date, but unfortunately it was not our day," said Ronny Powell, THS Theatre Director.

"The judge was highly complimentary of the show and the actors. He said everyone gave a 110% and the energy was exceptional, however our style was just not to his liking," Powell explained. "This is the nature of One Act Play, when you have only

one judge and one opinion, luck has a lot to do with it. It can drive you crazy trying to second guess why one judge loves your show and another doesn't. We've had an awesome ride of success the past two years. Our kids have in a short time come to expect to advance to State every time. I'm very proud that I've been able to help build that confidence and I hope to continue to build our One Act Play program into one of the best in the State," the director added.

The Cast, Crew and Alternates for "The Beggar's Opera" are: Cade Miller as Peachum, Robert Baker as MacHeath, Landon Bartley on Crew, Sarah Box as Mrs. Peachum, Cory Carrasco as Mr. Lockit, Crystal Carrasco as alternate, Christyn Chapa as Beggar, Mitchell Elrod as Beggar, Shelley Gandy on Crew, JC Garza on Crew, Corey Green as Beggar, Shatara Hughes as Beggar, Brandon Jackson as Beggar, Ashley McNeely as Beggar, Larry Murphy as Beggar, Kyndra Selmon as Lucy, Jessica Wilson as Polly, Zach Tillman as Beggar, Amanda Truelove as Alternate and K'Lyssa Selmon as Assistant Director.

"Many thanks go out to the following businesses and individuals for their help in making the One Act Play this year a huge success: K'Lyssa Selmon, Sheri Stone, Carroll Rhodes, Tom Tejada, Allen-Lee, Glo Hays, Cliff Gardner, Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Box, Mr. and Mrs. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. McNeely and all the many wonderful parents who supported us with food and words of encouragement. Also to Main Street Express, Higginbotham Lumber, West Texas A&M Theatre Department, Tulia High School Drama and Faculty and Staff at THS," said Powell.



## COL. SUSAN KNOX Susan Knox Promoted To USAF Colonel

Susan Knox, daughter-in-law of Leighton and Helen Knox of Tahoka, was promoted to the rank of colonel in the US Air Force Reserves with an effective date of April 1, 2004.

Susan has been associated with the Air Force nearly her entire life. As a child she traveled around the world with her parents, AF Major (ret) Stephen and Ruth Lanning of Hampton, Virginia. Following graduation from the Medical College of Virginia with a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing she entered the Air Force as a lieutenant in 1978. She had several tours of duty in the Air Force including Willford-Hall Medical Center in San Antonio, Lajes Air Base in the Azores, and Wiesbaden, Germany before retiring from active duty to devote time and energy to her family. Shortly thereafter she joined the Air Force Reserves.

Col Knox's first AF Reserve unit was the 68<sup>th</sup> Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron stationed at Norton AFB, California. While with the 68<sup>th</sup> she regularly flew medical evacuation missions in the C-9, C-130, and C-141 aircraft. She then transferred to the Reserve's Individual Mobilization Augmentee (IMA) program. During this period in her career she was called to active duty for six months in support of Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm. Col Knox was again activated post-9/11 to support Operation Enduring Freedom and was assigned to the 759<sup>th</sup> Medical Operations Squadron at Willford-Hall Medical Center in San Antonio for 12 months. While assigned to the 759<sup>th</sup> she forward deployed to the Sultanate of Oman as Medical Operations Squadron Commander to the 320<sup>th</sup>

## Phebe K. Warner Club Wins Community Improvement Grant

Betty Green, President of the Phebe K. Warner Club announced today that the club is the recipient of a Community Improvement Program grant in the amount of \$100 from General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) for its project of placing American flags on the graves of veterans during certain holidays. The Shell Oil Company is making funding for this special GFWC grant program possible.

Phebe K. Warner Club plans to use the money to purchase more flags. For Veteran's Day members placed approximately 200 American Flags on the graves of the veterans in our local cemetery. These were picked up after one week and will be placed on the graves again for Memorial Day and for July 4.

"Because of the interest in the project by our citizens, more names have been submitted and we now have located more than 300 graves of veterans of all wars. The members will continue this project indefinitely because we feel so strongly that the veterans who have given their lives - and their families - should be honored," said Mrs. Green.

"GFWC received hundreds of applications for the grant money and our club is just thrilled to be one of the winners in the competition," she said.

According to GFWC International President Judy Lutz, federated clubs have a long history of outstanding work in community service, and this money will give more than 200 clubs an opportunity to expand their projects.

Last month the club was the recipient of a grant from Wal-Mart for the same project.

"The members are most appreciative of these grants," said Mrs. Green.

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She continues to support Willford-Hall Medical Center during her reserve training as Deputy Squadron Commander of the 759<sup>th</sup> MDOS.

Colonel Susan Knox is married to Colonel (ret) Buddy Knox, a 1970 graduate of Tahoka High School. They have two daughters, Jennifer 18 and Jessica, 15. The family currently lives in Lubbock where Susan works for the endoscopy department of Covenant Hospital.

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- May 9** Joshua 2:1-21, 6:22-25  
"Mother's Day: Rahab: Going Against the Flow"
- May 16** Joshua 7:1-8:35  
"How Do I Handle Failure?"
- May 23** Joshua 9:1-10:27  
"Promise-Keeping In the Grey Areas"
- May 30** Joshua 14:6-15; 15:13-19  
"The Dynamic Difference!"
- June 6** Joshua 13:1-6  
"So Much Left to Conquer..."
- June 13** Joshua 24:1-33  
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## STORK REPORT

Garret Clayton Carter was born to Chris and Betty Carter of McKinney, Texas on April 22, 2004 at 4:48 p.m. He weighed 8lbs. 7 1/4oz. and was 20 inches long.

He has a sister named Kaitlyn that is 2 1/2 years old. Grandparents are Ike and Margaret Carter of Tahoka and Darryl and Beth Mann of Lubbock.

## Obituaries

### Flarra Waggoner Moody

Services for Flarra Waggoner Moody, 94, of Lamesa were held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, April 24, 2004, at the 12<sup>th</sup> Street Church of Christ in Seagraves. Interment was in the Gaines County Cemetery in Seagraves.

Mrs. Moody died Thursday, April 22, 2004, at the Sage Nursing Center in Lamesa.

Mrs. Moody was born to Frank and Frankie Waggoner April 10, 1910 in Oplin, Texas. She married Dwight Lyman Moody in Plainview on Dec. 31, 1933. They moved to Seagraves in 1944, where he worked at the carbon black plant. He preceded her in death in 1997 and Flarra moved to Lamesa the following year.

Mrs. Moody was preceded in death by a grandson and a brother.

Survivors include three daughters, Barbara Rhoades of Seagraves, Betty Sue Nichols of Cypress and Linda Furlow of O'Donnell; eight grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

# Let Freedom Ring

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On Thursday, May 6, in communities across America, millions will unite on their knees for the 53rd Annual National Day of Prayer, to pray for our troops, our leaders and our nation.

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**BAND FESTIVAL HONORS** — Both Tahoka Middle School Bands, the Symphonic Band (photo above) and the Concert Band (shown below), earned F's in Concert and Sightreading, a small Sweepstakes, at the Floydada Band Festival last week.



**Tahoka MS Bands Earn Top Marks At Festival**

Last Saturday, April 24, both Tahoka Middle School Bands, the Symphonic and the Concert, participated in the Floydada Band Festival, where they both earned F's in Concert and Sightreading, a small sweepstakes. In addition, several individuals performed solos and duets to earn medals.

"This type of festival is an excellent opportunity for Middle School band students to be exposed to a competition level," especially the sightreading experience," stated directors Carroll Rhodes and Lora Smith. This is the first festival that the spring schedule has allowed the middle school bands to compete since 1997.

"This is the second competition for the Symphonic Band, which went

on April 6 for the first time in recent history or possibly ever to a UIL Concert and Sightreading contest. They represented Tahoka well at a very hard judged contest and received several compliments from the judges, especially in sightreading. Both the Festival and especially the UIL help prepare the band students for the high competition level found in high school," said Rhodes.

"We are proud of these young people and how far they have come in their playing experience this year," said the directors.

The community will have an opportunity to hear both of the middle school bands as well as the sixth grade band perform on Tuesday, May 18, at 7 p.m. in the high school air-conditioned auditorium.

**Tahoka TISD To Dismiss Early**

Tahoka ISD will dismiss at 12:17 p.m. and buses will run at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, May 3. Classes will resume at the regular time on Tuesday, May 4.

**Sermons To Focus On Life Of Joshua**

The Rev. Marvin Gregory of First United Methodist Church, Tahoka will speak on "Famous Last Words... from the life of Joshua" during the month of May and the first two weeks of June. The morning worship service begins each Sunday at 11:00 am, and the following topics will be featured: May 2- Joshua 2:1-11, 23-24; 6:1-27 "Success: Knowing Whose Voice Matters"; May 9- (Mother's Day)- Joshua 2:1-21; 6:22-25 "Rahab: Going against the Flow"; May 16- Joshua 7:1-8:35 "How Do I Handle Failure?"; May 23- Joshua 9:1-10:27 "Promise-Keeping In the Grey Areas"; May 30- Joshua 14:6-15; 15:13-19 "The Dynamic Difference!"; June 6- Joshua 13:1-6 "So Much Left to Conquer..."; June 13- Joshua 24:1-33, "It's In Your Hands..."

First United Methodist is located at 1801 Ave. J in Tahoka.



**LITTLE DRIBBLER DONATION** — Wal-Mart 702 West Loop 289 in Lubbock donated \$1,000 to Tahoka Little Dribblers to help purchase new drop down basketball goals and other needed equipment. Vicki Sharp, grant coordinator with Wal-Mart is shown presenting the check to Brandi Resendez, president of Tahoka Girl's Little Dribblers and Ray Don Box, Tahoka Girl's Little Dribblers board member. Also included in the picture are all the girls that participated in Little Dribbler Basketball this season.

**FBC Calls For Prayers For Troops**

First Baptist Church of Tahoka encourages area citizens to increase their prayer efforts for troops serving our country. Reports show that 114 U.S. soldiers have been killed in combat this month. To put that in perspective, during the two-month invasion that toppled Saddam Hussein a year ago, 115 Americans were killed.

"With this increase of casualties in the past month, we need to renew our prayer efforts for the safety of those serving and for the wisdom of those leading," said Pastor Richard Harbison.

"In order to do this, First Baptist Church of Tahoka is compiling a

prayer list of men and women serving overseas. If you have a loved one you would like to have added to the prayerlist, please contact First Baptist Church at 561-4557," he said.



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## Lynn Commissioners Join Other Counties In Opposing Governor Perry's Tax Plan

The proposed new tax plan from Governor Rick Perry has come under close scrutiny by governing bodies, and Lynn County Commissioners Monday joined other county governing boards in expressing opposition to the proposal that may be considered in a special legislative session.

Lynn Commissioners unanimously approved signing a resolution presented by Texas Association of Counties (TAC), joining many other counties in Texas in "firm and absolute opposition" to the Governor's proposed tax plan.

Gov. Perry's plan does not include real, enforceable protection from unfunded state mandates to counties, such as expensive required programs like legal representation for indigent criminal defendants and health care for indigents, according to information provided by the TAC.

The day of Perry's announcement, the Board of Directors of the TAC expressed concern that the problem of unfunded state mandates and the financial burden they place on local taxpayers would not be solved under the proposal. More than 220 counties have passed resolutions asking the Legislature to pass a bill allowing voters to cast ballots in 2005 on a constitutional amendment prohibiting unfunded mandates.

The proposed tax plan sets a cap on local government revenues for all local government entities, allowing for increases limited by inflation and population growth. Any increase beyond inflation and population growth would require local voter approval, and any revenue collected above the

cap must be refunded to the taxpayers or held in escrow to reduce the following year's taxes.

TAC members are concerned that the proposal does not take into account county-specific circumstances or local priorities as established by the voters in electing their county officials, and say the cost of an election could be more than the proposed budget increase. The cost of refunds to taxpayers would also add to the county budget.

Perry's plan also places a 3 percent cap on annual appraised value increases for residential homesteads. Currently the cap is 10 percent; anti-tax proponents in the 2003 legislative session proposed a 5 percent cap. The appraisal cap would be lifted when property is sold and the value of the property would return to full market value for the new owner. TAC analysts say that during economic downturns, property whose value decreases by more than 3 percent

could take several years for its appraised value to return to 100 percent market value, if ever. Also, the net effect would be to shift a greater share of the tax burden on business properties, which could harm economic development efforts.

In other business at Monday's commissioner meeting, a new inmate telephone system for the county jail was approved, as was a request by Justice of Peace Terri Walker for an additional \$100 per year for a service contract for JP court software. Mileage pay for travel was raised to 32 cents, and monthly bills were approved. Advertising was approved for bids for property/auto/liability insurance.

Sheriff Bob Wilson reported on the Sheriff's Department and Jail. Pete Vallejo is a new deputy that has been hired in the department, moving to Lynn County from Floydada. Deputy Jimmy Bingham resigned his position at the department, effective April 23, leaving another vacancy to be filled.

County Judge H.G. Franklin has appointed Lynn County Probation Officer Bill Schoemann as Emergency Management Coordinator for the county, a position that had been held by former deputy Jerry Dee Franklin.



Pete Vallejo III



**PLANTS AVAILABLE HERE** - Helen Saldana at the Lynn County Soil & Water Conservation District office in Tahoka shows some of the plants available to the public, including evergreen trees, conifers, shrubs, ornamental grasses and flowering plants. Approximately 15 different kinds of one-gallon perennials are also available. For information, contact Helen at the 998-4507 Ext. 3 or come by the office at 1602 S. 2nd.

### O'Donnell Students Do Well At Region UIL Meet

South Plains College, Levelland, announced the results of the Region 1-A University Interscholastic League academic contest held Friday, April 23, including several students from O'Donnell. Top three individuals and top first place team will advance to state; fourth place in individuals and second place teams will serve as alternates to state competition.

Calculator Applications: second, Jacob Guenther, O'Donnell.

Calculator Applications Teams: second, O'Donnell High School.

Current Issues and Events: second, Aaron Escobedo, O'Donnell High School.

Spelling and Vocabulary: third, Jeremy Villarreal, O'Donnell High School.

Spelling and Vocabulary Teams: alternate, O'Donnell High School.

Prose Interpretation: fifth, Andy Miers, O'Donnell High School.

Lincoln Douglas Debate: fifth, Rebecca Brewer, O'Donnell.

Journalism: News Writing: second, Jayci Schneider, O'Donnell.

### The WILSON News

by Carol Yowell • 628-6392  
e-mail: cayowell@yahoo.com

The UIL banquet is set for May 18th in Wilson. Please check at the office if you need more information concerning this.

The 4th Grade B Honor Roll for the 5th six weeks is as follows: Luke Buckner, Amber Valadez, and Ashley Hernandez.

Perfect Attendance for the 4th Grade for the 5th six weeks is as follows: Laura Villereal, Amber Valadez, Ashley Hernandez, and Macayla Gilliland.

It's Pre-K Round-Up Time! If your child lives in the Wilson school district and will be four by September 1, 2004 come and join us at Wilson Elementary on Friday, May 14th. The Round-Up will begin at 10:00 and end at 11:30. Lunch will be at 10:50 in the cafeteria. Student lunches are \$1.50 and adult lunches are \$3.50. Please RSVP by Monday, May 10 to 628-6261. Hope to see you there.

### Wilson School Menu

May 3-7 Breakfast  
Monday- Unused Bad Weather Day- No School  
Tuesday- Breakfast Pizza  
Wednesday-Ham & Cheese breakfast patty

Thursday-Cinnamon Roll  
Friday-French toast

Lunch  
Monday-Unused Bad Weather Day  
Tuesday- BBQ sandwich, fries, fruit  
Wednesday-(Grade PK-5<sup>th</sup>) Corn dog, tator tots, carrot sticks, fruit, (Grade 6-12) same as above or salad bar, fruit  
Thursday-Chicken quesadillas, beans, rice, fruit  
Friday-Pizza, salad, carrot sticks, fruit

### Senior Citizens MENU

May 3-7  
Monday- Pork Chop, candied sweet potatoes, wax or green beans, beet onion salad, wheat roll, lemon cake  
Tuesday- Lasagne, new potatoes w/ sauce, broccoli, tossed salad/ranch. Hot roll, brownies  
Wednesday-Tuna croquette, blackeye peas, okra, cornbread, choc. pudding  
Thursday-Meatloaf, corn green beans, tossed salad/ranch, wheat roll, dry jello salad  
Friday-Roasted chicken, scallop potatoes, spinach, tossed salad/French, wheat roll, chocolate cake

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### Wilson Sends Two To Area Track Meet

Wilson High School track teams competed at the District 5-A High School Track Meet at Frenship High School on April 8th, with two qualifying to advance to the Area Meet. R.J. Lindsey placed 6th in District in the 400 meter run with a time of 55.48, which qualified him for the Area Meet held April 16, where he placed 7th in Area. Wilson's Veronica Gill also placed 7th in Area in the Shot Put after placing 2nd in District with a throw of 28' 9-1/2".

Other District Track results are as follows.

**Varsity Boys:** R.J. Lindsey - also placed 8th in the 100 meter run with a time of 12.18; Nick Simmons participated in the shot put and discus.

**Varsity Girls:** Veronica Gill - also participated in discus at the district meet; Ana Sanders - 5th in Triple Jump with a jump of 29' 3 1/4". Other participants at district were Lett Hernandez, Lori Garces, Amy Martinez, orena Gonzalez, and Yessica Gonzalez.

**Junior Varsity Girls:** Wilson had two participants in JV Girls and won the district meet with 86 points:

Heather Evans - 1st in discus, 1st in shot put, 2nd in the 100 meter dash, 2nd in the 200 meter dash;

Clara Valdez - 1st in each of the following: 100 meter dash, 200 meter dash, 400 meter dash, and the long jump.

### The NEW HOME News by Karon Durham 924-7448

April 27-29 New Home School will be taking TAKS tests. There will be no school on April 30, however New Home will host Whiteface in baseball and the Regional track meet will continue through May 1<sup>st</sup> at Levelland.

There will be a community wide meeting at New Home schools cafeteria, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 7 p.m. Plans on the bond election will be discussed in an open forum. Plan on attending.

There will be a Red Ribbon Round table spring meeting on Wednesday, May 12 at 7:20 am for grades 9-12. The topic will be "Are You Ready To Sink Or Swim?" Please be present.

Stock Show Results are as follows: San Antonio: Kris Hiracheta, 3<sup>rd</sup> place - Chester: Ryan Wied, 5<sup>th</sup> place- Medium Wool: Jordan Clem, 7<sup>th</sup> place-Southdown. Houston: Brooke Kieth, 3<sup>rd</sup> place-Cross: Kris Hiracheta, 5<sup>th</sup> place- Spot: Blaine Paul, 8<sup>th</sup> place- Hamp: Josh Paul, 12<sup>th</sup> - Hamp: Brittany Kieth, 13<sup>th</sup> place- Hamp: Evan Clem, 14<sup>th</sup> place: Stephanie White, 20<sup>th</sup>-Hamp: Ryan Wied, 6<sup>th</sup> place- Med. Wool: Jordan Clem, 7<sup>th</sup> Medium Wool: Trevor White, 4<sup>th</sup>. Steer: Allison Burenheide, 10<sup>th</sup> place-Steer. Ft. Worth: Jordan Clem, Reserve Grand Champion-Sheep and 1<sup>st</sup> place Medium Wool.

Summer Fun Basket Raffle Tickets on sell! Buy a ticket for \$1.00 for a chance to win a basket packed with summer fun prizes. Tickets can be purchased from Mrs. Durham May 1-20! Proceeds go to cheerleaders Pep Rally fund.

### New Home School Menu

May 3-7  
Monday- Cinnamon Roll  
Tuesday-Biscuit/Sausage  
Wednesday- French Toast Sticks  
Thursday-Granola Bars  
Friday- No School

Lunch  
Monday-Corndogs, Breaded okra, carrot/cucumber, pear cup  
Tuesday- Popcorn chicken, whipped potatoes, corn mixed fruit cup, hot rolls  
Wednesday-Fried burrito, lettuce/tomato, carrot/cucumber, orange half, hot sauce  
Thursday-Chili cheese dog, tator tots, chili beans, apricot cobbler  
Friday-No School

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### Tahoka School Menu

May 3-7 Breakfast  
Monday-Sausage breakfast  
Tuesday- Cinnamon toast, fresh fruit  
Wednesday-Breakfast pocket  
Thursday-(Elem.) Yogurt w/ banana, (Mid & H.S.) Breakfast burrito  
Friday- Pancake on a stick

Lunch  
Monday-American sub, sloppy joe, corn chips, lettuce, pickle, fruit  
Tuesday- Spaghetti w/ sauce, bean & beef burrito, tossed salad, green beans, pear half  
Wednesday-Cheese enchiladas, beef burrito, campfire beans, lettuce & tomato, Cinco de Mayo Holiday cup  
Thursday-Mac, Ham cheese, chicken fillet sandwich, tossed salad, blueberry crisp  
Friday-Hamburger or cheeseburger, lettuce & tomato, pickle, fruited jell-o

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## Card of Thanks

We would like to say thank you to each of you who ministered to us in so many ways during our loss of our mother, Flo Cribbs, and in the celebration of her life. Thank you for the beautiful cards, the calls, the visits, the delicious food, the many beautiful floral arrangements, the generous memorials, the simple kind words, and especially your prayers. It is humbling to live in Tahoka where people are so compassionate. We are so deeply appreciative and feel truly blessed to have friends like you.  
Linda & Gerald Huffaker  
and the Flo Cribbs family  
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Words cannot express my appreciation for all the cards, calls, visits, and especially the prayers during and after my recent surgery. God has been very good to me and my family. We are blessed to live in such a loving and caring community.  
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Underwriting data can be reviewed from existing files in the County Treasurer's office between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Sealed proposals must be received in the County Judge's office by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 13, 2004.  
Lynn County will pay annual premiums. No bid bond is required.  
Commissioners court reserves the right to accept or reject proposals and/or negotiate items in proposals to best serve Lynn County's risk exposure needs.  
H.G. Franklin,  
Lynn County Judge  
17-2tc

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**  
Sealed proposals addressed to Mr. Mike Jones, Superintendent, Wilson ISD, 1411 Green Avenue or P.O. Box 9, Wilson, TX, 79381, for roofing certain facilities located in Wilson, TX, will be received at the above address no later than 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 13, 2004. All proposals should be marked "Roofing Proposals Enclosed, Wilson ISD, 2 o'clock p.m. Thursday, May 13, 2004." All proposals should be submitted in sealed envelopes.  
Bids will be opened at 9 o'clock a.m. on Friday, May 14, 2004 at the above address.  
A mandatory walk-through conference will be held at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 5, 2004, at the Wilson ISD, Central Office school work room located at the above address. The proposal forms and specifications may be obtained at the mandatory walk-through conference.  
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**Stage Crew:** Landon Bartley, Shelley Gandy, JC Garza

**Alternates:** Crystal Carrasco, Amanda Truelove **Assistant Director:** Klyssa Selmon

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The Cleaners  
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Gloria's Beauty Shop  
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