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21st: "The Christmas Visitors" play · 7:00 pm aith Chapel Evangelical Methodist Church

22nd: Open House luffaker Law Office, Lynn Co. Abstract & Title, Walker & Solomon Agency

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2005

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Area Bale Count

(as of Tuesday) Texas Star Gin-Wilson/Union 61,120 New Home Coop-Lakeview . 39,113 37,909 Farmers Coop-O'Donnell Woolam Gin-O'Donnell 25,814 Farmers Coop Assn. 1-Tahoka .. . 22,537 Wells Coop Gin 16,350 Grassland Coop Gin 8,253 Close City Gin-Post 6,381

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First National Bank of Tahoka

15th: THS Band & Choir Concert 7:00 pm

18th: "The Gift Goes On" First Baptist Church, Tahoka

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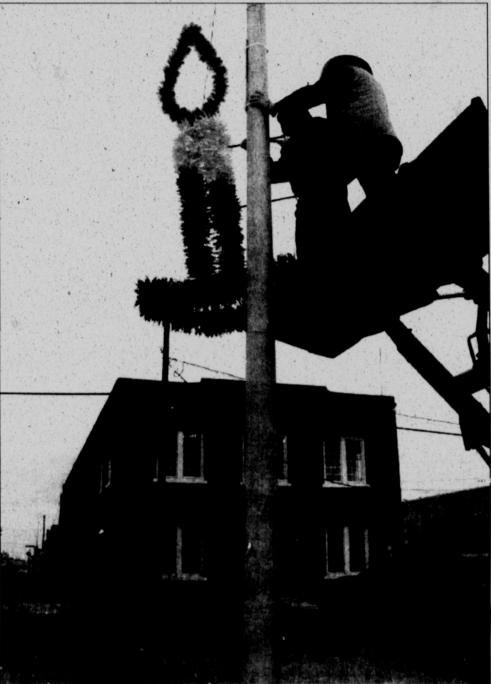
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That's a really BIG candle ... Twenty-five 8-ft. tall tinsel candles were placed on light poles in Tahoka this week by city workers, replacing old worn-out decorations that have seen many years of holiday seasons in Tahoka. Working with the new decorations here are David Graves (standing at left) and at upper right, Jessie Moya and Robert Estrada. The new candle decorations are strung with lights, but many of the poles are not currently accessible to electricity, and city officials say it will probably not be possible to get them lit for this year, but will definitely have that added option for next Christmas. "The candle theme was picked because it reminds us that our mission as a close-knit community is to continue to be a light in the darkness not only at Christmas but everyday. The city hopes to continue upgrading our Christmas décor and carrying out the candle holiday theme," said Administrative Assistant/City Secretary Retha Pittman.

Wreck, Theft, Arrest For Drugs Reported In County This Week

A 54-year-old Tahoka man arrested Tuesday night for driving while intoxicated, second offense and possession of cocaine possibly will be deported as an illegal alien living in the U.S. without a visa, according

to the arresting officer. Dept. of Public Safety Trooper Joel Callaway said he stopped the man for speeding about 10 miles north of Tahoka on U.S. 87 and discovered that he had been driving under the influence, had no valid Texas drivers license and had a quantity of cocaine. Callaway also said the Immigration and Naturalization Service had indicated the man would be deported to Greece once the charges of drug possession and DWI second

offense have been resolved. Tahoka Police Dept. Tuesday investiN. 1st St., where a 2002 Oldsmobile driven by Danielle Hernandez, 17, of Tahoka and a 1994 Cadillac driven by Misty L. James, 26, also of Tahoka, were involved in a collision.

Police also were advised by Arnold Acosta Gonzales Friday that some vehicle parts valued at \$122 had been stolen from a travel trailer.

On Tuesday police arrested a Tahoka teenager who appeared to be suicidal and seized a 12-gauge shotgun. The young man was placed in a Lubbock medical facility.

No injuries were reported.

Early this week there were 45 inmates in Lynn County jail, including nine for Lubbock County, six for Gaines County and one for Garza. The latest four persons jailed all were arrested for driving while license

gated a traffic accident in the 2000-block of **Four More File In Local Elections**

Four more people have filed as of Wednesday morning for Lynn County elected offices, during the second week of the filing period, which opened Dec. 5 and continues through Jan. 2, 2006. One incumbent who filed the first week has withdrawn from the election, making a total of seven candidates who are seeking election.

J.T. Miller, Commissioner of Precinct 4 who had filed during the first week, has officially withdrawn his name from the election, according to information from the County Clerk's office, where filing is con-

ducted. Two of those filing during the last week are newcomers for local offices, including Pam Miller, who filed for County Treasurer, and Brad Hammonds, who filed for Commissioner of Precinct 4. Incumbents who filed for reelection during the week were County Judge H.G. Franklin and County

Clerk Susan Tipton. Those who filed the previous week include Ginger Henry, who filed for the office of Justice of Peace, Precinct 1; Sandra Laws filed for re-election as District Clerk, and Pct. 2 Commissioner Mike Braddock also

filed for re-election. All candidates to date have filed on the Democratic ticket.

There are eight county offices up for election this year, all four-year terms, including County Judge, County Treasurer, District Clerk, County Clerk, Commissioner Precincts 2 and 4, and both Justice of Peace Precincts, 1 and 4.

MS Principal Glo Hays To Retire Dec. 31st

Glo Hays, Middle School Principal at Tahoka Independent School District for the past 11 years, has announced her retirement effective Dec. 31, 2005, ending a 16-year career with the school district. Prior to her administrative position, Mrs. Hays was a Marketing Education teacher for five years.

Superintendent Jimmy Parker informed trustees of Mrs. Hays' letter of resignation during the monthly board meeting held

Monday, Dec. 8. "For now, Robert Webb will be high/ middle school principal and Troy Hinds will be high/middle school assistant principal and still be athletic director. We will continue to evaluate the situation and make a permanent decision later this spring regarding administrative staffing for the district. I feel very confident in Mr. Webb and Mr. Hinds being able to handle those duties in an exceptional manner," Supt. Parker told The News this week.

"Of course, there will be a period of adjustment that naturally occurs when you lose a campus principal that has been here as long as Mrs. Hays has been here. We wish her the best in her retirement. We hope the middle school parents will get to know Mr. Webb and Mr. Hinds if they do not already know them. They both have experience working with middle school students so there should be a smooth transition," added Parker.

When contacted by The News this week, Mrs. Hays wanted to express her appreciation for her years of service in the school district. "Thank you very much, Tahoka, for allowing me the opportunity to work with your children for the past 16 years. I have been so blessed to have been allowed to interact with intelligent, personable, physically-gifted, spiritual adolescents as they grew into adulthood. Working with high school seniors as they rode the roller coaster associated with a senior year, working with seventh grade students as they 'crossed the street' to middle school, and working with the best staff imaginable are the wonderful memories I take with me as I leave this position," said Mrs. Hays.

"Some of my fondest memories at TISD include Jammin' January, successful DECA state officers and projects, building middle school 'miniature golf courses,' and finding John in Palo Duro Canyon. Some of my sad memories include being surrounded by students and staff when my dad died, when I broke my ankle, and when I experienced knee replacement surgery. But nothing can compare to the support my family and I received when my grandson, Ira, was born in April 2005. This whole community wrapped their loving arms around me and my family in prayer and followed faithfully Ira's struggle for life. Ira's birth and illness taught me that a peace that passes understanding is God's gift to me while in the midst of turmoil here on this earth. So I'm smiling through the tears as I approach this peaceful retirement," added Mrs. Hays.

Trustees met in closed session for just over two hours to conduct their annual performance evaluation of the superintendent, from 9 p.m. until 11:22 p.m.

Public hearings were held for the First Day of Instruction Waiver for the 2006-07 school year, and for the district's Academic Excellent Indicator System (AEIS) report, which no citizens attended. An annual WADA agreement with Klondike schools was approved, and a district Textbook Committee was appointed.

The next board meeting was scheduled for Jan. 12 at 7 p.m. in the Harvick Center. All seven trustees were present for the meeting, including Math Bartley, Joe Calvillo, Carmen Chapa, Jimmy Dorman, Valton Stephens, Frank McLelland and Kent Kahl.

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LAST WEEK I copied a recipe for Swiss steak from a cookbook in San Saba, because I had a vague memory that Swiss steak tastes pretty good, plus I was intrigued by some of the instructions. I doubt that I will ever try to cook Swiss steak, though, for a couple of reasons, one of which is that I have always

been better at eating than cooking. I don't remember ever having Swiss steak at our house, although a lot of really good things have been on the tables there. But once in a great while (about every five years?) I am at some function where Swiss steak is served,

and I like it. We have been to Switzerland three times, but I don't recall ever having

Swiss steak, so I really don't know if it originated there. The people of Switzerland are called Swiss, singular or plural, I think. Switzlanders would be too big a mouthful. Maybe they could be called Swizzers. (No, that's what a person with a speech problem uses to cut out dress

Anyway, here's the recipe, not guaranteed by me, but which sounds like it

Ingredients: one pkg round steak, one lg onion, sliced in rings, one lg bell pepper, sliced in rings, tomato juice. Season steaks. Spray baking dish with Pam. Place steaks in baking dish, salt and

pepper. Place rings of onions and peppers over steak. Pour tomato juice over steaks

until they are nearly covered. Bake at 325 degrees covered 2 hours 15 minutes. Bake uncovered another 15 minutes. Be sure to use tomato juice, not tomato sauce. Well, gee, that sounds pretty easy, except for that first part, "Spray baking dish with Pam." I know five different women named Pam right here in Tahoka, and while they are all nice folks, I'm not sure any of them would be ready to drop what they are doing and rush over to our house to help me spray a pan. I've got

would add much good taste to the steak. Sounds like I would need help, though, so maybe I will just call Mrs. Elrod, Miller, Womack, Parker and Lehman. With that much help, we could spray every dish in our kitchen in minutes.

some spray we could use, like Lysol and bug spray, but I doubt either of them

THE AVERAGE pencil can draw a line 35 miles long, according to something I read recently. But it didn't say who figured this out, or why anyone

would need a pencil line that long. Which reminds me of the guy who went to the lumber yard and announced that he wanted to buy a 2x4. "Yes sir," said the attendant. "How long do you want

"Quite a while." the man replied. "I'm building a garage."



Curry Sworn In ... Rebekah Curry was officially sworn in Friday, Dec. 9, 2005 as a lawyer in the State of Texas by 237th District Judge Sam Medina at the Lubbock County Courthouse. She has accepted a position as an attorney with Bramblett and Associates in El Paso, Texas. She is a 1999 graduate of Tahoka High School. Rebekah is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Zane D. Curry of Tahoka.

Salvation Army Donations Assist Needy In Tahoka

The Salvation Army in Tahoka will be observing Christmas again by raising more money this year in order to meet the pressing needs of hurting people in your town and they are asking for the community's help.

The Salvation Army is so closely associated with the Christmas season. Many people don't know that in reality the work of the Salvation Army continues year round. In more Unit than 115 countries, in all 50 US states, in every county in Texas. The Salvation Army continues its mission of service to those in need.

Even in the smaller towns, such as Tahoka, The Salvation Army often has a presence. In Tahoka, there is a Salvation Army Unit through the First United Methodist Church assisting with services such as care of transits, and local needy, including food and shelter. There is also lim- www.salvationarmyusa.org

ited assistance with rent, prescriptions and utilities. The service unit also has access to the larger programs in the metro areas, such as the 'drug and alcohol rehabilitation centers, to which they can refer people.

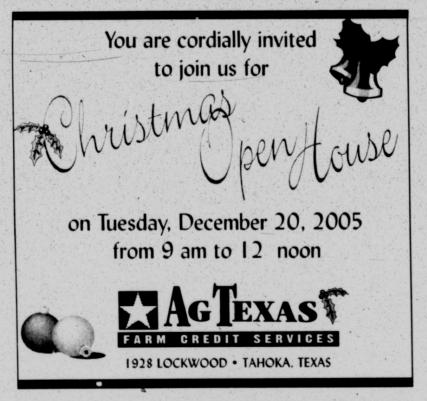
In this week's Lynn County News there is an envelope in which a donation can be sent to support'the Tahoka Salvation Army Service

The Tahoka service unit chairman is Jeff Bayley and the treasurer is Marcy Whitley. If you do not have one of the pre-addressed envelopes, your donation supporting The Salvation Army can be mailed to The Salvation Army of Tahoka, Jeff Bayley, Chairman, and Marcy Whittey. Treasurer, P.O. Box 500, Tahoka, TX 79373-0500, or donations can be made online by visiting

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Gertrude Alvarado

Services for Gertrude (Tules) F. Alvarado, 61, of Pasadena, Tx. were held Monday, December 5, 2005 in the Cristo Rey Chapel in Houston. Interment followed in Paradise South Cemetery in Pearland, Tx. She died December 1, 2005 in Pasadena.

She was born August 15, 1944 in Runge, Tx. to Jesus and Petra Flores. She was a resident of Tahoka for 31 years before to Pasadena, Tx. in 1991. She served in the medical field for 35 years.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, Hilario and Santos (Sam) Flores.

Survivors include six sons; Jesse and Jerry Alvarado of Tahoka, Eddie Alvarado of New Home, David, Paul and Danny Alvarado, all of Pasadena, two daughters, Josie Alvarado of Pasadena, and Sylvia Longoria of Dayton, Tx., two brothers, Salomon Ruiz of Plains, and George Flores of Denver City, and one sister, Felicita Huerta of Plains, and 20 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.



"AUGIE" GARCIA

"Augie" Garcia

Rosary service for Augstine "Augie" Garcia, 37, of Wilson was held at 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11, in Englunds Chapel in Slaton. Resurrection Mass was held at 9:30 a.m., Monday, Dec. 12, in Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church in Wilson. Interment was in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park in Woodrow.

He died December 7, 2005. He was born August 5, 1968 in Slaton, the youngest of 20 children. He attended Wilson schools and high school then transferred to Frenship and graduated from Frenship High School in 1986. He worked as a roofer in the construction industry.

Survivors include his brothers, Albert Jr. of Lubbock, Trancito of Victoria, Dan of Lubbock, Leo of Colorado City, Leonardo of Florida, Alex of Lubbock, Julian, Henry, Andy and Lucas, all of Wilson, Margarito of Ludignton, Michigan, Steven of Odessa; and sisters Teresa Perish of Las Vegas, Lydia Romo of Lubbock, Helen Sandoval of California, Sara Garcia of Ralls, Gloria Garcia of San Antonio, Cecelia Rosas of Lubbock, and Linda Garcia of Del Rio.

City-County Library

561-4050 • 1717 Main • Tahoka (In the Life Enrichment Center) HOURS: (Closed for Lunch 12:30-1:30 pm)

Tuesday & Thursday 2 pm-7 pm Saturday 10 am-1 pm

Tahoka Pioneer Museum 561-5339 • 1600 Lockwood • Tahoka OPEN: Friday & Saturday 10 am-2 pm

Funeral services for James Lee Holliday, 47, of Wolfforth, were held at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11, in St. John Lutheran Church in Wilson. Interment followed in Green Memorial Cemetery in Wilson.

James Lee Holliday

He died December 7, 2005. He was born March 1, 1958 in Odessa, TX and graduated from Andrews High School in 1977. He had received an associate bachelor degree from South Plains College; and had served in the US Navy from 1978 to

He married Karen Kay Stegemoeller on June 9, 1984 in Wilson. They had been residents of Andrews after their marriage before moving to Wolfforth 1988. He was employed with Sentinel Transporta-

Survivors include his wife, Karen, son, Brad, and daughter, Brandy all of the home; his father H.B. and stepmother, Donna Holliday of Midland; three brothers, Allan and Shawn both of San Antonio, and Richard of Odessa.

The family suggests memorials to the Karen S. Holliday and James Holliday Memorial Fund at any American Bank of Commerce, PO Drawer 1094, Wolfforth, Tx 79382 or St. John Lutheran Church, PO Box 7, Wilson, Tx 79381.



Rebecca Jaso

Prayer services for Rebecca Jaso, 66, of Petersburg were held Thursday, Dec. 8, at 7:00 p.m. at Calvillo Funeral Home Chapel of Lubbock. Funeral services were held Saturday, Dec. 10 at 10:00 a.m. at Iglesia Bautista de Petersburg with Rev. Maria DeLeon officiating and Rev. Pedro Orutia assisting. Burial followed at Petersburg Cemetery under the direction of Calvillo Funeral Home of Lubbock.

She died on Dec. 7, 2005 in Lubbock. She was born on Dec. 17, 1938 in Robestown. She married Jesus Jaso on Sept. 25, 1958 in Plainview; he preceded her in death on Jan. 10, 2001. She moved to Petersburg coming from Tahoka. She was a Pentecostal and a homemaker.

Survivors include her parents, Juan and Josepha Anzualda of Abernathy; five sons, Jesus Jr. of Colorado, Jose of El Paso, Jimmy of Plainview, Juan Manuel of Corpus Christi and Julian of Post; three daughters, Josefina Hernandez of El Paso, JoAnn Jaso of Corpus Christi and Angelita Martinez of Abernathy.



Dec. 19-22 Monday: Chicken Quesadilla, Spanish Rice, Pico de gallo, Applesauce

Tuesday: Turkey & Dressing, Sweet Potatoes, Corn, Broccoli Salad, Peach Cobbler

& Cookies

Wednesday: Frito Pie with all the sides, Salad, Cake Thursday: Homemade Hamburgers

w/ trimmings, Tots, Surprise Dessert Friday: Merry Christmas!

Wise men ne'er sit and wail their loss, but cheerily seek how to redress their harms. -William Shakespeare

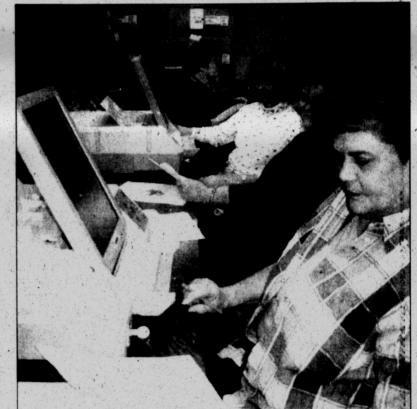
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Voting Machine Training ... Training for election workers was held Tuesday and Wednesday on the new electronic voting machines, which were set up in the county courtroom. Shown here are Wanda Anderson, Lessia Clem, Pat Williams, and at the very back. Sherry Pearce. The two-day training was to help familiarize workers with the new machines, which will be used for the first time in the March Primary elections.

County Orders Ban On Fireworks Sales and Use

Lynn County Commissioners ordered a ban on the sale and/or use of fireworks in Lynn County during the upcoming holidays and until further notice, approved unanimously in Monday morning's regular meeting at the County Courthouse. An increase in grass fires and cotton module fires precipitated the discussion, as well as the extremely dry conditions on certain uncultivated acreage in the county creating a high fire danger that commissioners deemed hazardous enough to restrict the use of fireworks in all areas of Lynn County.

County Judge H. G. Franklin signed an order prohibiting the sale or use of restricted fireworks, which also notes that "a person commits an offense if the person knowingly or intentionally violates a prohibition established by this order." An offense of the order is a Class C Misde-

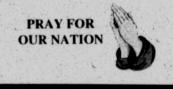
In other business, commissioners approved a list of holidays for county employees for 2006, including Monday, Jan. 2 for New Year's; Feb. 20 for President's Day; April 14 for Good Friday; May 29 fcr Memorial Day; July 4 for Independence Day; Sept. 4 for Labor Day; Oct. 9 for Columbus Day; Nov. 23-24 for Thanksgiving; and Dec. 25-26 for

Vince Vialle representing First Southwest Company was present to

discuss with commissioners the possibility of refinancing bonds that were bought to build the county law enforcement center. Vialle will return to the Dec. 27 commissioners' meeting with the paperwork for the transaction.

A retirement waiver requiring all part-time workers to be a part of the county's retirement system starting in January 2007 was approved. Joe Patterson was appointed as the county's representative for the Lynn County Appraisal District board, and monthly bills were approved as pre-

Present at the meeting led by Judge Franklin were all four commissioners, including J.T. Miller, Don Morton, Mike Braddock and



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Zach-ly Right ... Zach Tillman goes high for two of his 23 points against Colorado City here Monday night, leading all scorers as the Bulldogs beat the Wolves, two of whom appear to be doing a little dance routine at left. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)



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New Minister Joins Local Churches

The United Lutheran Ministries comprised of three area Lutheran churches in Wilson, Slaton and Posey welcome a new pastor to serve all three congregations.

Pastor Yvonne Kiebler officially began her ministry here on October 9; 2005. Pastor Kiebler has moved to Slaton from Arlington to serve St. John Lutheran in Wilson, Grace Lutheran in Slaton, and Immanuel Lutheran Church in Posey. All three churches are part of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). Pastor Kiebler holds a Master of Divinity degree from the Brite Divinity School at Texas Christian University and MBA and MA degrees from the University of Texas, Arlington. She has also taken postgraduate studies at the Lutheran

School of Theology of Chicago. Although she comes to the Wilson area from the Metroplex, Pastor Kiebler has a prior history of living in West Texas. She worked 24 years for the Department of Veterans Affairs, with her final five years at the Amarillo VA Medical Center as Director of Human Resources.

She and her husband Bill are residing in the parsonage in Slaton. The couple has five grown children, 13 grandchildren, and one great great

KLLL 25th Annual Christmas Blood Drive To Be In Tanoka

KLLL and United Blood Services invite Tahoka to be part of the 25th Annual Country Christmas Blood Drive. This year's drive begins on Monday, Dec. 12, and ends Friday, Dec. 23, and will be in a different outlying city every day. Besides being able to donate blood everyday through the drive, you may also donate in the blood draw center at 48th and University in Lubbock.

The blood drive will be in Tahoka, Wednesday, Dec. 21 from 1:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the Life Enrichment Center. Each donor will receive a 25th Annual KLLL Country Christmas T-Shirt, a pint of Blue Bell ice cream, and coupons good for items and services from one of this. year's supporters. They will also be registered to win some great prizes. This year, one donor every day will receive a DVD player, courtesy of Best Buy. At the end of the drive, one lucky donor will get a 52-inch RCA high definition big screen television.

NEW AT THE CITY/CO. LIBRARY

A Grave Mistake by Stella Cameron

Hardened New Orleans homicide detective Guy Gautereaux must save Jilly Gable, who, longing for the love of a family, falls victim to the evil machinations of the wife of a New Orleans antiques dealer and loan shark who claims to be her mother.

Questions and Answers of the Day

Matthew 7:21, Matthew 6:24, Matthew 15:7-9

Question: Are we free in Christ or are we in fear and bondage?

Are we paralyzed with fear, and horrified of being different? You know, Jesus was so different from everyone else. He stated his principles and beliefs and didn't waver from His Father's will. He had mean, fearsome enemies. His enemies literally hated Him because He didn't measure up to their standards and beliefs. They literally wanted Him dead. They made fun of Him, harassed Him, tortured Him, and eventually killed Him. All this because he was a threat to their beliefs. Sometimes things are taught from the Bible, but they get changed and molded to fit the desires or ideas of the individuals. Sometimes these teachings last for centuries. When we find out some of these things exist, we sweep them under our little rug and pretend we never knew it. This produces distance between ourselves and God. This then develops into worry, doubts and fears. It quite literally takes away a person's rest that God so freely offers and we so badly need. This, then becomes bondage. It is my prayer that God's people may have His sight, truth and hearing, and have His strength and courage to teach it, walk it, talk it and may we know true freedom as we do. GOD BLESS YOU.

LINDA LOCKE . P.O. BOX 1722 . TAHOKA, TEXAS 79373

Chuck and Shea Sharp announce the birth of their son, Hagan Bryce, born Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2005 at 8:02 p.m., weighing 8 lbs. 9 oz. and measuring 21 inches long.

Grandparents are Reva Sharp and the late Charles Sharp, and from Tahoka, Danny and Kim Paris and Sammy and Dee Dee Pridmore.

Dustin and Courtney McNeely of Artesia, NM announce the birth of 'a son, Lucas "Luke" Ray McNeely, born Dec. 13, 2005 at 5:06 a.m. in Roswell, NM. He weighed 6 lbs., 14 oz. and was 20 inches long. He has a 2-year-old brother, Logan.

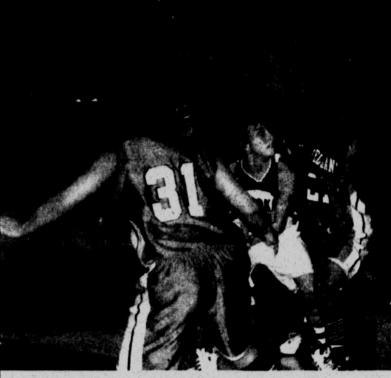
Grandparents are Todd & Rhonda McNeely of Tahoka and Darrell and Teresa Edwards of Artesia, NM. Greatgrandparents are E. W. Pickett of Lubbock, Juanell (Sam) Deutsch, and Jack L. Edwards, both of Odessa; Morris Bingham of Buchanan Dam, Texas and Genita Huddleston of New

Great-great-grandparents are Estelle Pickett of Lubbock, Minnie Alva Morrow of Spur, Flora Delle Nowlin of Lubbock, and Lois Roberts of Tahoka.

Faith Chapel In Wilson To Present Christmas Play

The Faith Chapel Evangelical Methodist Church of Wilson invites you to join them as they present the play by Joyce Taylor, "The Christmas Visitors". Set in the 1800's, the play is about two families who come together for Christmas due to a snow storm, and find that God always pro-

The performance will be held on Wednesday, December 21, at 7:00 p.m. Faith Chapel is located at 1105 Green Street in Wilson.



Big Win Over Levelland ... Tahoka's Lady Bulldogs defeated Levelland 50-43 on Friday, Dec. 9, with the help of Carissa Hall, shown sandwiched in the middle here, who scored 11 points for the win. Brandi Raindl was the leading scorer with 18 points. The girls began district play on Dec. 6 defeating Roosevelt 51-47. Meghan Saldana was high point with 12, and Porscha Mitchell chipped in 11 points.

(TISD Photo by Rachel Lehman)

Local City-County Library Collecting "Food For Fines"

The City-County Library in Tahoka has launched a program called "Food for Fines" to benefit the hungry this holiday season. All proceeds from the program will be donated to the community food

According to Library Director Claudia Guin, the program is a way for library patrons to erase the fines they have built up for overdue materials. "We have approximately 150 patrons that have fines on the books right now, and we thought this would be a charitable way to erase those fines and give to the needy at the

For each ounce of food donated,

10¢ will be subtracted from the total fine amount owed by a patron. "At current prices, you could buy a 24 oz. bag of rice for 79¢ and get \$2.40 taken off your fine amount," said Guin. "That's a bargain for the patron and it's beneficial to those in our community that are disadvantaged."

Guin points out that donors don't have to have fines, or even be a patron of the library to participate in the program. "We will be happy to take donations from anyone who wants to give, regardless of how much their fines are or whether or not a person even has fines."

Interested parties can drop of non-perishable items at the library during regular business hours, Mon/ Wed 9:30 am-5:30 pm (closed 12:30 pm-1:30 pm for lunch); Tue/Thur 2 pm-7 pm; and Fri/Sat 10 am-1 pm. until December 22.

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Open Monday - Thursday

9:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

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PASTOR: SCOTT HENSLEY

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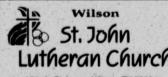
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Message From: First Baptist Church Rev. Richard Harbison, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Tahoka

Galatians 6:7-8

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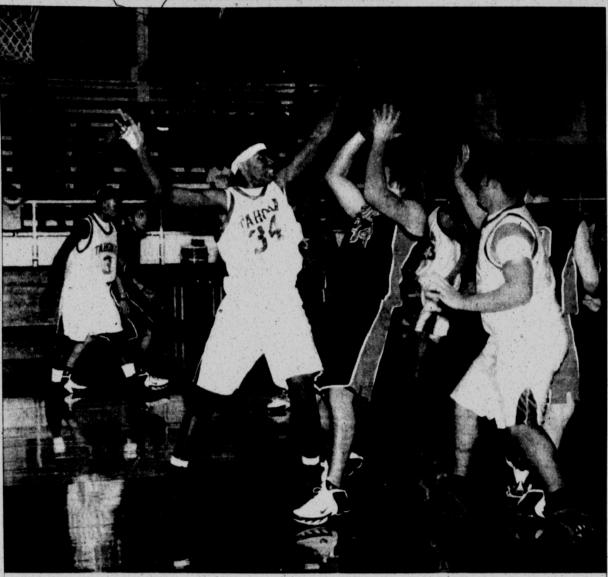
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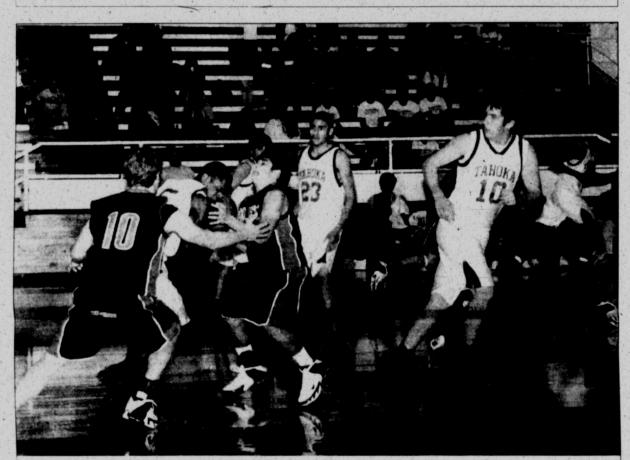
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PASTOR: REV. TONI BAYLEY Sunday Morning Worship - 9:15 a.m.

Sunday School following



Tall Dog ... Zach Tillman, 6-5 Tahoka player, gets his hands up to harass a Colorado City shooter in a game here Monday. Tillman led Tahoka with 23 points as the Bulldogs topped the Wolves 69-51 to raise their season record to 11-2. Tahoka's No. 3 at left is Troy Price, who scored 11 points, and at right is Nathan Garcia. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

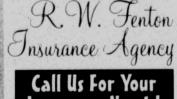


Gimme That ... Tahoka's Lance Murphy (5) wrestles a Colorado City player for the ball. Other Bulldogs here include Damon Moore (23), who scored 19 points, and Matt McLelland (10). (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

NEW AT THE CITY/CO. LIBRARY

Ordinary Heroes by Scott Turow

Stewart Dubinsky plunges into the mystery of his family's secret history when he discovers his deceased father's wartime letters to his former francée. revealing his court-martial and imprisonment during World War II.





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Sandra Day O'Connor

by Joan Biskupic

From O'Connor's isolated upbringing on the Lazy B ranch in Arizona through her time as a state legislator to her rise as a justice — along the way confronting her own personal challenges and crises, including breast cancer -Biskupic presents a vivid, astute depiction of the justice — and of the woman beneath the black robe. In so doing, Sandra Day O'Connor also provides an unprecedented look inside the exclusive. famously secretive High Court.

John Paul the Great by Peggy Noonan

A commemorative portrait of Pope John Paul II recounts his struggles

against such factors as Nazism, communism, and scandal, describing his work for freedom, his written works, his political endeavors, his survival of an assassination attempt, and his lasting influence on both world history and the Catholic Church.

Iron Orchid by Stuart Woods

Discovering that ex-CIA tech wizard and political assassin Teddy Fay is still alive, agent Holly Barker joins an elite task force assigned to track him and becomes suspicious in the wake of a series of insider tricks, a case that escalates into a highspeed chase throughout New York

The Lincoln Lawyer by Michael Connelly

Representing the system's most unsavory characters in his work as a criminal defense lawyer, jaded attorney Mickey Haller takes on his first high-paying and possibly innocent client in years, but finds the case complicated by sinister events that suggest the workings of a particularly evil perpetrator.



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City Council Has Routine Meeting

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Tahoka City Council met in a short routine session Monday night, approving an agreement with Oller Engineering Inc. for the city landfill project, and reappointing Joe Patterson as the city's representative to the Lynn County Appraisal District Board.

City Administrative Assistant Retha Pittman was appointed the title of City Secretary by unanimous decision of the council. The city's investment policy was approved, and monthly bills were paid.

Present at the meeting were council members Ray Box, Rudy Fuentes, Clara Calvillo and Mayor 'Mike Mensch, as well as City Administrator Jerry Webster and others. Council members Amy Preston and Jay Dee House were absent

New Home Students Earn UIL Honors

New Home ISD Students competed in UIL events held in Wellman, November 7 and 8, with the following results:

First Grade- Katherine Barrington-5th Oral reading.

Fourth Grade- Meritt Mitchell- 5th Oral Reading and Ready Writing, Alexis Torres-3rd-Ready Writing

Fifth Grade- Josh Paul-5th Oral Reading, Maranda Hymes- 2nd Spelling, 5th Listening Skills, 1st Number sense, 1st Dictionary Skills, 4th Maps, Graphs, and Charts. Charles Kieth-4th Maps, Graphs, and Charts. Teams: Maranda Hymes, Madison Gass and Haley Lehman-2nd Listening Skills, Maranda Hymes, Zach Paul and Charles Kieth- 3rd Spelling, Maranda Hymes, Charles Keith and Jonathan Nieman-2nd Maps, Graphs, and

Sixth Grade- Allison Burenheide-1" Ready writing, 5th Spelling, Naomi Nevarez-2nd Ready writing, Justin Laseman-5th Dictionary Skills, 4th Math. Linzee Gibbins- 6th Math, Caitlin Kieth-5th Listening Skills, Quincy Decker-6th Oral Reading. Teams: Allison Burenheide, Justin Laseman and Naomi Nevarez- 3rd Spelling. Caitlin Kieth, Linzee Gibbins and Allison Burenheide-2nd Listening Skills. Justin Laseman, Linzee Gibbins and Allison Burenheide-2nd Math

Seventh Grade: Garrett Kennedy-1st Impromptu Speaking, 3rd Modern Oratory, 3rd Math and 4th Number sense. Steelie Feaster-3rd Oral Reading, Jacobi Ford-2nd Editorial Writing and 6th Science. Kari Maeker- 4th Editorial Writing, 5th Impromptu Speaking. Teams: Garrett Kennedy, Jessica Gomez and Jacobi Ford- 3rd Number sense and Garrett Kennedy, Kari Maeker and Jacobi Ford-

Eighth Grade: Josh Correa- 6th Editorial Writing, Heath Link- 3rd Math, 4th Calculators and Kris Silva-6th Dictionary Skills. Team: Heath Link, Kris Silva and Jacob Laseman-3rd Math.

New Home FFA **Teams Compete** In District Contest

The New Home FFA Leadership teams competed in District Leadership Contests on Saturday Nov. 12 in Lamesa.

Rachel Reagan earned 3rd for Creed Speaking. Teams advanced to the Area Contest Saturday, Nov. 19, in Big Spring with the following results: Laura Maeker and Katie. O'Rourke won 4th and 5th respectively in Job Interview. Laura, Katie, Ryan Wied and Stephanie White came in 8th in the Public Relations Contest. Senior Chapter Conducting members Sarah Clem, Trevor White, Tanner Comey, Keely Nettles, Kebbi Hulto, Meghan O'Rourke, Natalie Bruton and Jordan Clem received 3rd

Weather

Dec. 12 Dec. 13

Total Precipitation in Oct.: Total Precipitation in Sept: **Total Precipitation in Aug:** 4.92" **Total Precipitation in Jul:** 2.27" **Total Precipitation in Jun:** 0.77" **Total Precipitation in May:** 5.88" **Total Precipitation in Apr:** 0.19" Total Precipitation in Mar: 0.97" Total Precipitation in Feb: 1,86" Total Precipitation in Jan: 1.07" Total Precipitation to date:

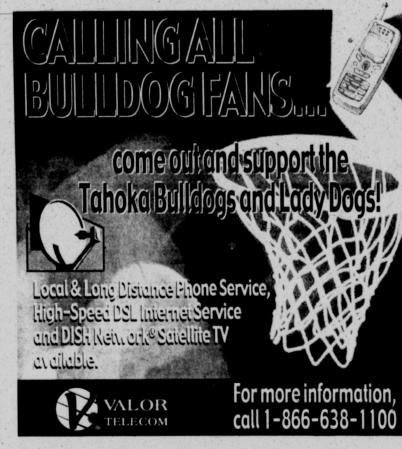


Rotary Donates for Children ... Tahoka Rotary Club President Susan Tipton (right) presents a \$500 check to Judy Holden (left) and Janet Porterfield for the Lynn County Christmas For Kids program. The money will be used to help purchase Christmas gifts for approximately 200 children whose families have signed up for assistance this year in the county program.

(LCN PHOTO)



Porscha on the move ... Lady Bulldog Porscha Mitchell is on the move towards the basket in Tahoka's win over Levelland 50-43 last Friday. (TISD Photo by Rachel Lehman)





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2nd Grade UIL Winners ... These Tahoka second grade students placed in Elementary Academic UIL events at Post on Dec. 7. In back, from left, are Maci Dimak and Trace Cook, and in front are Alison Quisenberry and Mishelle Earnest.



3rd Grade UIL Winners ... Tahoka Elementary third graders who placed in Academic UIL events include, in back from left, Brighton McMinn, Kara Larpenter, Amanda Hill, Jeremiah DeLeon, and in front, Lauren Raindl, Jackson Harbison, Shelby Fant, and not pictured, Colton Taylor and Tori Ford.



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4th Grade UIL Winners ... Juan Charon, Erynn Harris, Virginia Lopez, and Kaitlyn Lehman placed in Academic UIL events in Post, Dec. 7. They are fourth graders at Tahoka Elementary.



5th Grade UIL Winners ... Tahoka Elementary fifth graders who placed in Academic UIL events include, in back from left, Efrain Ramirez, Swade Hammonds, Taya Bishop, John Ryan Barrientez, and in front from left, Jessi Heryford, Jori Chapa, and Sarah Freitag.

Elementary UIL Winners

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SPC Announces ASE **Certification Test Dates**

South Plains College Advanced Technology Center is offering computer-based Automotive Service Excellence certification exams from January 17 to February 19. The tests are being offered at the Reese Technology Center located at 105 Davis Drive in Lubbock.

A total of 20 ASE exams will be available in computer-based format including Auto (A1-A8); Collision (B2-B6); Service Cons. (C1); Advanced (L1 & L2); Parts (P2) and M/H Truck (T1-T8).

ASE certification is a professional credential recognized in many

automobile maintenance and repair positions. To register for the exams, call ASE's toll-free number – (800) 525-6929 between Jan. 9 and Feb. 14, 2006. For more information, call the ASE Help Desk at (319) 337-1433 or visit the ASE web site at www.ase.com/cbt.

SouthPlains College ACT Center offers computer-based certification and licensure, skill testing and training services to individuals looking to boost their employability. For more information about the ACT Center, call (806) 885-3048, ext.

www.southplainscollege.edu/

Tahoka Elementary Students Compete In UIL Events

Tahoka Elementary students participated in the Elementary Academic UIL meet held at Post on Dec. 7. Several students brought home honors, as follows:

Second Grade: In the Creative Writing event, Alison Quisenberry (front left) placed 2nd and Maci Dimak (back left) was 6th; in Storytelling, Mishelle Earnest (front right), placed 1st and Trace Cook (back right) was 5th. Other second graders who participated in UIL events were Andrea Garcez, Curry Lehman, and Sarina Ybarra.

Third Grade: Creative Writing -Kara Larpenter 1st; Storytelling - Colton Taylor 3rd, Brighton McMinn 5th; Oral Reading - Tori Ford 1st, Jackson Harbison 2nd, Amanda Hill 6th; Music Memory - Shelby Fant 1st, Jeremiah DeLeon 5th. Lauren Raindl 6th; Spelling - Jeremiah DeLeon 6th. Other participants - Skyler Hager, Kohl Angeley, Sonva Gonzales, Yancy Draper, Coy Mercer, Shelbee Forsythe, Mia Saldana.

Fourth Grade: Number Sense -Kaitlyn Lehman 5th; Spelling - Erynn Harris 1st; Music Memory - Juan Charon 1st, Virginia Lopez 4th, Erynn Harris 6th. Other participants - A J Rohlfs, Ryan Garza, Star Hagar, McKenzie Dimak, Madison Lockaby, Haylee Brewer, Kristal Devine, Abigail Santos, Nicole

Fifth Grade: Oral Reading - Taya Bishop 3rd; Dictionary Skills - Efrain Ramirez 4th, John Rvan Barrientez 5th; Number Sense - Sarah Freitag 4th, Taya Bishop 6th; Maps, Graphs and Charts -Sarah Freitag 3rd; Art - Swade Hammon'ds 5th; Music Memory - Jori Chapa 3rd, Jessica Heryford 5th, Swade Hammonds 6th. Other participants -Samantha Antuna, Maddie Barham, Alex Hinds, Smith McLelland, Damien Montez, Chad Darwactor, Kayla Hall, Keaton Stice, Levi Hawthorne, Marcus Gonzales, Luke Hawthorne, Cynthia

REGISTER and Vote!

You must be registered to vote 30 days prior to any election.

Register at the Lynn County Courthouse Tax Office.



It's Mine ... Damon Moore (23) goes high with the ball Monday night. Moore was the game's second-leading scorer with 19 points (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones) for Tahoka against Colorado City.

12,238 Pivots Operating In **High Plains Water District**

Approximately 12,238 center 497; Randall, 131; Armstrong, 51; pivot systems are currently in operation within the 15-county High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 service area, according to a 2005 inventory just completed by the district. This represents an additional 1,349 center pivots in operation since the previous 1998 inventory.

Center pivot totals by county are as follows: Parmer, 1,788; Lamb, 1,737; Hale, 1,631; Castro, 1,378; Hockley, 931; Deaf Smith, 845; Bailey, 768; Lubbock, 743; Cochran, 615; Crosby, 551; Floyd, 541; Lynn,

Gary Koelder, County Commis-

Bill Crooker, County Commission

Lenny Gilroy, County Commis

Jo Ann Staulcup, City Council-

Jim Plummer, District & County

Many constituents of the district

have supported Jim including

Johnny Peck, longtime Plainview

businessman and former adminis-

"I have been in support of Jim

since the first time he told me he

was going to run for public office.

I know and believe Jim has the

high morals and convictions that

will be needed for this office," said

Peck. "I believe he is a candidate

that will represent the district in

the best way and he will be open

to ideas and comments from his

Bill Crooker, Howard County

Commissioner, and his wife Joyce

Crooker, Big Spring Moore De-

velopment Board member have

agreed to chair the growing team

of grassroots supporters in Big

pring. They agreed to jump on

board because they admire Jim's

strong family values and fiscal

conservative policy. The fact that

Jin started campaigning a year

ago because of his strong desire

to represent House District 85 also

played a factor in their involve-

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and Potter, 31.

High Plains Water District and USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (USDA-NRCS) personnel used infrared satellite imagery and computer analysis to count the pivots. The number of acres within the boundary of each center pivot was then calculated utilizing the results from the inventory analysis.

Data sources consisted of LandSat imagery from 1998, orthographic imagery from 1995, and infrared orthographic imagery from

LANDTROOP OFFICIALLY FILES FOR STATE REPRESENTATI



Jim Landtroop officially filing for State Representative

On Tuesday, December 6, businessman Jim Landtroop officially filed on the Republican ticket for Texas House of Representatives, District 85. The district covers 16 counties in West Texas including Reagan, Irion, Sterling, Glasscock, Howard, Borden, Terry, Lynn, Garza, Crosby, Kent, Stonewall, Fisher, Jones, Hale and Floyd counties.

The current representative for District 85 is Democrat Pete Laney. Laney announced on Friday, December 2, that he would not be seeking re-election.

"I am grateful to Mr. Laney for his years of public service, and I appreciate the sacrifice he and his family made for the State of Texas and House District 85," Landtroop

Landtroop began his grassroots campaign in early spring and has traveled more than 17,000 miles meeting the constituents of District 85. He announced his intentions to run in late October and has acquired more than 350 supporters.

"I am honored and humbled at the support I have received for my campaign throughout the district," said Landtroop. "I look forward to being an effective voice for the future of our communities, and I am ready to provide bi-partisan leadership and represent the needs and issues of each and every person of my district."

A fifth generation Texan, Landtroop owns a small insurance agency in Plainview. He graduated from Texas A&M University with

Landtroop also serves on the Board of Directors for the United

Jim is a member of Hale County

a degree in Business Management. Landtroop is married to his wife of 12 years, Cathy and they have three children: Braden (10), Ken-

neth (9) and Lauren Grace (5).

Way and the American Cancer Society, is a member of the Lion's Club, Chamber of Commerce, and founding member of Plainview Bible Church where he serves on the Leadership Team. Jim was presented the 2004 & 2005 Ronald Reagan Gold Medal by the National Republican Congressional Committee. Jim and his wife, Cathy, served as county chairman for Congressman Neugebauer's successful congressional campaign, and Neugebauer recently selected Jim to serve on his Financial Advisory Committee.

come to know Jim over the last several years as he and Cathy worked diligently to elect conservative Republicans like Congressman Randy Neugebauer and President George W. Bush," said Mr. Carrillo. "Now it's our time to help elect Jim - a principled conservative who will

"Jim is a great conservative and a strong candidate. He will work hard for the constituents of the district and represent the interests of West Texas."

Floyd County Tax Assessor-Collector Penny Golightly

Farm Bureau, Texas Association of Realtors and the National Rifle As-

Landtroop has garnered the support of many conservative groups around the state including Texans for Lawsuit Reform PAC. TLR officially endorsed Landtroop for the Texas House of Representatives on

Tuesday, December 7. 'Jim Landtroop is an easy endorsement for Texans for Lawsuit Reform. His common sense values include a strong commitment to a fair and balanced civil justice system," said TLR PAC Director Matt Welch. "Landtroop is an obvious choice for the Texas House of Representatives because he will work to ensure that our judiciary, and justice system are consistently reasonable and fair to all parties," Welch said.

Other conservatives supporting Landtroop include Cathie Adams with Texas Eagle Forum, Joe Grimes with Texas Right to Life, Kenda Bartlett with Conservative Women for America and Tim Lambert with Texas Home School

Coalition. "Jim is an outstanding candidate with a great background in business and terrific people skills," said Joe Grimes with Texas Right to Life. "Jim's desire to represent the constituents of the district will make him an outstanding legislator for the people of District 85."

Several elected officials have also endorsed Landtroop including Victor Carrillo, Texas Railroad Commissioner.

I am proud to wholeheartedly endorse Jim, a fellow West Texan, in his bid for House District 85. I've

bring common-sense, West Texas

values to the Texas Legislature.

An active civic leader, Jim is also a

successful small businessman and

a man of integrity who values faith

and family. I urge you to join me

in helping to elect Jim Landtroop

to the Texas Legislature."

Other elected officials supporting Jim's candidacy include: Denise McNamara, National Committeewoman-Republican Party

Joe Driver, State Representative, District 113 Jane Cansino, SREC District 28

Suzanna Gratia Hupp, State Representative, District 54 David Barton, Vice Chairman-Republican Party of Texas John Anders, Mayor-Stamford, Kelvin Tipton, City Councilman -

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endorsement of various elected officials in the district.

"Jim impressed me by his willingness to fight for the seat a year before filing," said Isaac Castro, Jones County Republican Chair & Hamlin City Attorney. "This shows his commitment to the constituents of the district that no other candidate

"Now it's our time to help elect Jim -- a principled conservative who will bring common-sense, West Texas values to the Texas Legislature.

-Victor Carrillo, Texas Railroad Commissioner

Leldon Clifton, City Councilman from Stamford also supports Jim's candidacy. "Having had the pleasure of knowing Jim and Cathy and spending time with their family, I had the opportunity to discuss political views and I'm happy to state that I'm in agreement with Jim's political concerns and values for the citizens of West Texas," Clifton said. "My wife is a teacher and he shares our concerns for education, water, economic development and other unique West Texas issues. I know he will be the conservative voice for West Texas."

Floyd County Tax Assessor-Collector Penny Golightly agrees. "Jim is a great conservative and a strong candidate. He will work hard for the constituents of the district and represent the interests of West

"Change is the word, leadership is the way, conservative West Texas values are the goal and Jim Landtroop is the man that will best represent us," added Irene Howell, Garza County Republican Chair.

> "We support Jim Landtroop for State Representative. He will serve the best interest, values and beliefs of Howard County and the district," said Crooker.

> > Respected Plainview businessman J. B. Roberts said "because of Jim's long time support of tort reform, I feel he would do an excellent job in the legislature."

Scott McLaughlin, respected Big Spring businessman, noted that he was supporting Jim Landtroop

because "he is a strong leader and a man of integrity and vision. Jim and Cathy make a great team and will represent us well."

Landtroop has also garnered the support of longtime Plainview residents Frank and Pat Gabriel. "We are proud to support Jim Landtroop because we think he will be a positive force for our district. He has a good work ethic, high morals, excellent credentials and a burning desire to do a good job for our district and our state."

Farmer Bryan Bishop of Plainview also endorsed Landtroop. "This area has a tradition of outstanding representation. We should continue that tradition. A good leader understands and embraces the responsibilities of leadership. Jim Landtroop is that kind of leader. I am confident that the 85th District will be in good hands with Jim in office. I gladly give my support to Jim Landtroop.

Mike Niklasch, Big Spring Moore Development Board member said of Landtroop, "Jim is a man of integrity who will represent the entire district well. Jeanne and I are supporting Jim because of his strong West Texas values and his good common business sense. Jim has taken the time to get to know Big Spring, listen to our issues and concerns, and we are confident that he is the man who will fight for us down in Austin."

Other supporters include longtime Brownfield residents Mike and Janice Timmons. "I was impressed with Jim's sincerity and honesty from the first time I met him," Mike said. "His grassroots focus on meeting people at the local level and listening to their needs is the reason I support his candidacy."

Kerry Pratt, farmer and Floyd County Republican Chair added "Jim Landtroop is a solid conservative and he will represent this district in the conservative manner it is accustom to. There is no question Jim will be able to work with the majority in the Texas Legisla-

More supporters are joining the Landtroop team every day. If you would like to support Jim's campaign or for more information, please sign up at www.jimlandtroop.com.

Tahoka Volunteer Fire Department Awarded \$72,917 Grant For Equipment

U.S. Congressman Randy Neugebauer announced Wednesday, Dec. 7 that the Tahoka Volunteer Fire Department has been awarded a \$72,917 Assistance to Firefighters

The grant program, which is administered by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), awards one-year grants directly to local fire departments, enhancing their abilities to respond to fire and fire-related hazards in their communities.

Retha Pittman, Assistant to the City Administrator of Tahoka, wrote the grant in April with input from Jack Jaquess and Chad Ford. "We are very pleased that our local fire department was awarded this grant."

SPC Announces Spring Registration

South Plains College will hold spring registration on January 11 at the Levelland campus and January 12 at the Reese campus. Spring classes begin January 17.

Any students planning to register on these dates must contact Admission and Records to obtain a registration time permit. Students should bring the following items to registration: time permit, a pen or pencil, photo identification, vehicle registration information and a form of payment for tuition and fees (check, cash or credit card).

Online registration will continue until January 9 for current students with pin numbers. Students can register using Campus Connect at www.southplainscollege.edu.

Late registration will be held January 17-19. For more information or to obtain a time permit, contact the Levelland Admissions Office at 806-894-9611, extension 2572 or the Reese Admissions Office at 806-885-3048, extension 4660.

LYNN COUNTY

city matched it with a five percent contribution.

The Tahoka VFD will use the grant funds to purchase equipment and personal safety gear, including a couple of pieces of equipment which no fire department in the county has ever had before - an. airbag system for rescuing victims the grant for the Tahoka Fire Dept. trapped underneath debris, and a enable firefighters to more exactly a building.

· The airbag system expedites rescue of a victim who may be trapped underneath fallen debris, such as a collapsed building, or other rescue necessitating lifting of heavy equipment where the airbag can be inflated. This also helps maintain safety for the firefighters involved in rescuing trapped victims.

The thermal imaging camera would be used in building/warehouse fires where smoke may prohibit, visual sighting of the exact location of the fire. "With so much cotton being warehoused in Lynn County, this could be used in a warehouse full of smoke to enable firefighters to best know where to concentrate firefighting efforts, and may help with unnecessary property damage," said Mrs. Pittman. Shealso said that since the Tahoka VFD will be the only system in the county with the equipment, that it would be available for emergency use elsewhere in the county if needed.

A new Jaws Of Life system will also be purchased to replace the current system, which is more than 25 years old. The Tahoka VFD serves 1800 combined miles of rural roads and U.S. highways in Lynn County, and the Jaws tool is necessary in working some vehicle accidents. Stabilizing struts for vehicles will also be purchased.

Additionally, the grant funds will

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said Mrs. Pittman, adding that the purchase 20 complete new sets of personal protective equipment for the Tahoka VFD, including jackets, pants, boots, gloves, helmets and

Mrs. Pittman expressed appreciation to Congressman Neugebauer and U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison for assistance in securing

"Firefighters are an essential part thermal imaging camera that will of keeping our hometowns safe and the homeland secure," Neugebauer locate the "hot spots" of a fire within said. "This grant program is vital because it provides fire departments with the tools and resources necessary to protect the health and safety of the public and the firefighters themselves. Firefighters act with an unwavering commitment to the safety and protection of their fellow citizens and are willing to sacrifice their own lives to provide safe and reliable emergency services to their communities," he added.

Jimmy Woodard, Chief of the Tahoka VFD, said, "We hope each citizen will be as excited and proud of this updating of equipment as we are. This will help the volunteer firefighters do a better job assisting our friends and neighbors in an emer-

"This is a 90% grant, meaning that for every \$1 of department money that is spent we get \$10 in return. I hope everyone realizes that our \$1 part comes from the \$3 per meter donations that are received when citizens pay their city water bills," explained Woodard. "This will be the third major project to be funded in the last year from the \$3 donations. The first was the new fire truck to be delivered in the next few weeks, the improvements to the civil defense alarms, and now this grant. I encourage citizens to continue or start making this donation. They are getting \$30 by donating only \$3. We appreciate everyone that donates."



First Place Senior Team ... These three Lynn County 4-H members earned First Place Overall Team, First in Team Placings, and First in Team Reasons in the Senior Division at the South Plains District 4-H Consumer Decision Making Contest. They are, from left, Kaleb Collins, Jacob Bingham, and Trevor Gicklhorn.

Lynn County Winners in the South Plains District 4-H Consumer Decision Making Contest

Junior Team Wins Again ... For the fifth consecutive year, Lynn County 4-H members won the Junior Division at the South Plains 4-H Consumer Decision Making Contest. Junior Team members are, from left, Lindsey Burenheide, Jesse Terry, Colton Taylor, and not pictured, Kohl Angeley.



First Place Overall Team ... In the Intermediate Division at the South Plains District 4-H Consumer Decision Making Contest, these Lynn County 4-H members won First Place Overall Team and other honors. They are, from left, Gretchen Henley, Harley Reynolds, Allison Burenheide, and not pictured, Kenzie Angeley.



Pesticide License Holders Can Earn CEUs Here Tuesday

Pesticide License holders have an opportunity to receive 3 CEU's on Tuesday, Dec. 20 from 8:30-11:30 a.m. at The Center For Housing and Community Development, located at 1400 Avenue K, Tahoka.

One hour in the general category, one hour in IPM, and one hour in laws and regs will be given. Private license holders must obtain 15 CEU's every 5 years with at least 2 hours in IPM and Laws.

"There are a large number of licensees whose license will expire on February 28, 2006, so his is a good opportunity for them to receive 3 hours credit," tated Bryan Reynolds, County Extension Agent for Lynn County.

Contact the Lynn County Extension Office for more information, at 561-4562.

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Lynn 4-H Members Win Honors at **Consumer Decision Making Event**

bers competed recently in the 2005-06 South Plains District 4-H Consumer Decision Making Contest in Tahoka, with local youth in the junior, intermediate and senior divisions earning honors, and three local 4-H'ers advancing to the State 4-H Roundup. 4-H'ers from the 20 county area around Lubbock competed in the Consumer Decision Making Contest.

"The consumer decision making project is one the 4-H members can use as they start making decisions and purchasing these products or services," stated Bryan Reynolds, County Extension Agent. "It is extremely useful and something they can use from now on."

In consumer decision making projects, 4-H members study guidelines for products or services such as DVD players, sunscreen, insect repellents, cell phone plans, automobiles or computers. Members then must place the products based on guidelines and a specific situation and be able to defend their placing with oral reasoning to a judge.

Lynn County won the Junior division for the fifth consecutive year. Also, Lynn County had all four team members in the top 5 individuals. Junior members were Lindsey Burenheide, who was First High Individual Overall, Colton Taylor - 3rd Individual, Jesse Terry - 4th Individual, and Kohl Angeley was 5th Individual.

In the Intermediate division, Lynn County won First Place Over-

Eleven Lynn County 4-H mem- all Team, First in team placings, and First in team reasons. Harley Reynolds was 2nd High Individual Overall, Allison Burenheide was 5th Individual Overall, and Kenzie Angeley and Gretchen Henley were also members of the Intermediate Grea \$29,5

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In the Senior division, Lynn County won First Place Overall Team, First in team placings, and fourth in team reasons. Kaleb Collins was High Individual Overall and Jacob Bingham was Second Individual Overall. Also, Trevor Gicklhorn competed on the Senior Team. "Those three 4-H'ers will compete at State 4-H Roundup in June at College Station," said Reynolds:





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The Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 requires the Tahoka Housing Authority to prepare an Annual Plan covering operations of the Public Housing Program. On Thursday, January 19, 2006, at 5:00 p.m. the Board of Commissioners for the Tahoka Housing Authority will hold a public meeting to receive comments on the Housing Authority's Annual Plan. The meeting will take place at The Center For Housing and Community Development located at 1400 Ave. K in

Tahoka, Texas. The draft plans and all supporting documentation are available to the public for viewing at the Administration office of the Housing Authority, located at 1400 Avenue K, during the hours of 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. on Monday-Thursday and 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. on Friday.

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TMS Band Members Audition ... These Tahoka Middle School band students competed against 450 2A bandsmen at the ATSSB M.S. Region Band auditions at Shallowater on Saturday, December 3. They are Benjamin Freitag, Ryan Rios, Matt Taylor, Amanda Hernandez, Sarah Tello, A'Leesha Truelove, Sabrina Moralez, and Kenzie Angeley. Not pictured is Nikki Box. "They all competed well and we are proud of each and everyone who went. They are better musicians as the result," stated directors Carroll Rhodes and Lora Smith. Those making the 2A M.S. All Region Band, which will perform on Saturday, January 28, at the Lubbock Civic Center, are Kenzie Angeley, Benjamin Freitag. Amanda Hernandez, Ryan Rios, and A'Leesha Truelove.

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THS Musicians Compete For Honor Band ... These Tahoka 3-D Bandsmen competed last Saturday, December 10, at Floydada against 300+ students from area A-AA-AAA schools for the ATSSB Honor Band, which will perform on Saturday, January 28, at the Lubbock Civic Center. THS musicians competing were Amanda Truelove, Lindsey Barrientez, Ernest Gomez, Alex DeLeon, Brandon Moss, Sarah Draper, and Raymond Hernandez, and not pictured, Josh Freitag. Those making the ATSSB Honor Band are Amanda Truelove (3rd year) and Alex DeLeon who will advance to Area, January 7, at Lubbock Cooper, and will attempt to advance to the ATSSB All-State Band. Earning 1st alternate spots were Sarah Draper and Ernest Gomez. "We are proud of all these for they did well and are to be congratulated for competing against mostly 3A students. (85% of the band is composed of 3A) We nearly had four in the Area Band which would have been the most ever from Tahoka. It is nice to again have a student advance to Area and we hope Alex goes all the way to State in San Antonio, February 15 - 18," stated directors Carroll Rhodes and Lora Smith.

DLT Grant To Serve Region 17

Bryan Daniel, State Director of Texas USDA Rural Development, announces the selection of Region 17 Education Service Center as a recipient of a \$291,918 Distance Learning and Telemedicine (DLT) Grant Program. Region17 Service Center serves Tahoka, O'Donnell, Wilson and New Home school districts.

The DLT funds will be used to provide real-time interactive distance learning studio equipment, connectivity to educational resources outside the project area, and provide training opportunities for teachers and technicians. The project will serve 5,252 students in 19 rural sites in Northwestern Texas.

"Distance learning and telemedicine systems are powerful tools fro rural Texas," said Daniel. "Through technology, students and families can participate in classes not previously available to them, and people who live in rural areas can access expanded health care op-

In Fiscal Year 2004, Texas was awarded \$1.4 million to be distributed through the Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant Program. The education projects helped schools provide students with advanced educational tools. Distance learning projects provide funding for computers and internet connections in schools and libraries.

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Funds

17,270

38,883

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266,769

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Tahoka School News

by Tahoka High School Journalism Students

Varsity Boys Basketball by Brandi Raindl

The Bulldogs hosted Colorado City and defeated the Wolves 69-51 on Dec. 12. Zach Tillman put in 23 points." Damon Moore added 19, and Troy Price 8. Leading the team in scores were

The Bulldogs played in the Stanton Tournament Dec. 8-11. They were de- Alvarado with 2 points. feated by Midland Greenwood in the first round, 42-47. Z. Tillman led the 7th Girls Basketball boys with 20 points. The Bulldogs then beat the Colorado City Wolves 65-48. Z. Tillman was high point with 24 points and Moore pitched in 10. Next, they defeated Sterling City 71-41. Moore led the Dogs with 23, Z. Tillman had 16, and Ja-Vaen Tillman had 12. The Bulldogs won the consolation championship by beating the Coahoma Bulldogs 70-40. Moore was high point with 29, and Z. Tillman had 13.

Varsity Girls Basketball by Meghan Saldana

The Lady Bulldogs played Monday: Steakfingers, Wienner Wrap. Levelland on Fri., Dec, 9. They beat French Fries, Salad, Pear Half w/ Cherry, them 50-43. Brandi Raindl was the leading scorer with 18 points, and Carissa Hall added 11.

The girls began district play on Dec. 6 defeating Roosevelt 51-47. Meghan Saldana was high point with 12, and Porscha Mitchell chipped in 11 points.

JV Boys Blue Basketball by Chelsea Terry

The JV Blue hosted a Dec. 1-3. In the opening round. Tahoka beat New Deal, 39-32. They lost against Lorenzo 33-47. The last game was against Roosevelt, and the dogs won 34-16.

Lead scoring Josh Freitag with 32 points. Following him was Kasen Stanley with 23 points, and Britt Wuensche with 17 points.

JV Girls Basketball by Callie Botkin

The girls JV team played Levelland on Friday. Dec 9 and lost 21-26. Leading scorers were Jessica McLelland with

8 and Corlee Greene with 7. The JV Lady Bulldogs lost their first district game to Roosevelt, 23-20, on Tuesday, Dec 6. Greene and McLelland were high scorers, each with 5.

9th Grade Basketball by Juan Hernandez

The boys began tournament play against the Idalou Wildcats, and suffered a defeat of 41-55. Adrian Webster came up on top, scoring a total of 11 points. Antonio Baker was right behind him with a total of 10 points.

Next, they faced off against the All Saints suffering another loss, 32-43. Baker again was the best with 8 points; Donavon Tillman was on track with 7 points.

Finally, the Dogs had a hard fought game, again, against Idalou, 23-33. Adrian Webster came out on top with 9 points; Baker scored 6.

8th Grade Girls Basketball By D'Maris Murillo

The 8th grade Lady Bulldogs basketball team beat Idalou 57-36 on Dec. 12. Leading the team in scores were Kyra Helm with 24 points, Brooke Inklebarger with 18 points, and Meghann Rivas with 13 points.

7th Grade Boys Basketball By David Hernandez

The 7th grade B team lost 5-28 to Idalou. The leading scorer was Jamie Bingham.

The 7th grade A team played the Idalou Wild Cats, and lost 16-34. The leading scorers were Kyron Lawson with 6 points and Tanner Hall with 4 points.

Middle School B-Team By D'Maris Murillo

The Middle School Lady Bteam Bulldogs played against Idalou Wildcats on December 12, and won 9-Danielle Wilborn with 4 points, Raquel Pesina with 2 points, and Anissa

by Samantha Andrews

The 7th grade Lady Dogs defeated the Idalou Wildcats 49-11 on Dec. 12. Taylor Ford and Sabrina Moralez were high point with 16 points for the team.

Tahoka SCHOOL MENU

Dec. 19-20

Monday: Breakfast Pizza, Pop Tart Tuesday: Sausage Biscuit Lunch

Fresh Fruit

Tuesday: American Sub. Turkey & Cheese Sandwich, Carrots w/ ranch dressing. Orange Half, fresh fruit

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