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Blood Drive To Benefit Don Morton

United Blood Services personnel will be in Wilson this Sunday, April 30, from 12:00 noon until 5:00 p.m. for a Blood Drive benefiting Don Morton. The Blood Drive will be held inside the Green Building in Wilson.

Morton, a Lynn County Commissioner, is a resident of Wilson. He is undergoing medical treatment.

All blood donated will be credited to Morton, according to UBS representatives.

"We call it a 'credit' to patient Don Morton, and will pull blood platelets needed for him from the blood donated at this blood drive," said a UBS sponsor.

All donors will receive their choice of a free t-shirt, hat, or mug, and drinks and snacks will be provided.

Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
April 19	75	51	
April 20	60	51	0.37"
April 21	77	49	
April 22	85	49	
April 23	91	59	0.33"
April 24	90	66	
April 25	69	46	
Total Precipitation April:			0.85"
Total Precipitation Mar.:			1.36"
Total Precipitation Feb.:			0.02"
Total Precipitation Jan.:			Trace
Total Precip. Year to Date:			2.23"

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Wrecks, Crimes Keep Police Busy

Vandalism, assaults, a car burglary, theft and four traffic accidents kept Tahoka Police Dept. busy during the last week. Two accidents occurred Friday and two more on Sunday, with only minor injuries reported in any of the accidents.

The two traffic accidents Friday happened within five minutes of each other, both on Lockwood St. about a block apart. At 3:40 p.m. a 1996 Pontiac Grand Am driven by Enedina Villa Arellano, 46, was in a collision with 1994 Chevrolet pickup driven by Juan Diego Perez, 17. The collision as both vehicles were traveling east on Lockwood was observed by a police officer.

About five minutes later as a 2002 Chevrolet pickup driven by Glenn Anderson 68, slowed near the scene of the first accident, it was involved in a collision with a 1995 Ford Explorer driven by Amber C. Ramirez, 27. All drivers involved in the Friday accidents listed Tahoka or rural route addresses.

Just after 1 p.m. Sunday two vehicles were involved in a collision on a parking lot at 2001 Lockwood in the city. A 1995 Chevrolet pickup driven by Armando Barrera, 38, hit a parked 2006 Chevrolet Cavalier owned by Marie Garcia of Lubbock.

At Lockwood and Ave. N 45 minutes later, a 2003 GMC Yukon driven by Kristi Dawn Lockaby, 36, was in collision with a 2003 Ford pickup driven by Omar Olveda Gonzales, 20, of Brownfield. One of the four passengers in the pickup, Clarissa Olveda, 9, was taken by private vehicle to Lynn County Hospital for treatment.

On Tuesday night near O'Donnell a wreck involving a pickup and an 18-wheeler resulted in no injuries. Investigation was by a state trooper who was not available Wednesday morning.

After Lashanda Hood of Tahoka advised police last Wednesday that her

son's bicycle had been stolen from outside their apartment on N. 7th St., police located the bicycle being ridden by a 19-year-old Tahoka man. The case (See CRIME, page 5)

Early Voting Set May 1-9

Early voting begins Monday, May 1 for city and school elections in Lynn County. All four cities in the county will conduct elections, but only two school districts have contested races requiring elections. New Home and O'Donnell school districts have cancelled their elections, due to uncontested races, as has Lynn County Hospital District.

Early voting will be held May 1-9 for those entities having elections, and a new requirement this year is that two of those early voting days have polls open for 12-hour periods.

In Tahoka, early voting for both the city and school elections will be conducted weekdays from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. May 1-9 at the Lynn County Courthouse, County Clerk's Office, except on May 2 and May 4, when polls will be open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m.

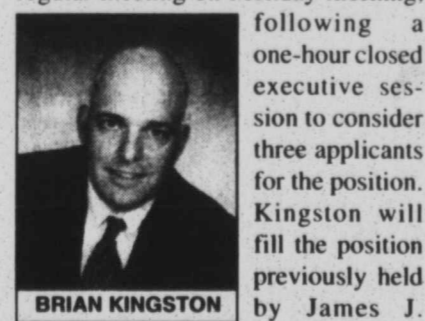
Wilson city and school entities have also combined early voting to be at Wilson ISD Central Office from 8-4 Monday through Friday, and from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. on May 3 and May 4.

Early voting for the City of New Home election will be held at New Home City Hall from 8 a.m. until 11 a.m. weekdays May 1-9, and from 6 a.m. until 6 p.m. on May 2 and May 3.

And in O'Donnell, early voting for the City of O'Donnell election will be held at O'Donnell City Hall during weekday hours May 1-9, and from 7:30 a.m. until 7:30 p.m. May 4 and May 5.

Commissioners Appoint Kingston As New Lynn County Attorney

Lynn County Commissioners appointed attorney Brian Kingston as Lynn County Attorney during their regular meeting on Monday morning.



following a one-hour closed executive session to consider three applicants for the position. Kingston will fill the position previously held by James J. Napper, who resigned as County Attorney when he filed to run as a candidate for District Judge. Candidates may not run for an elected position while holding a different elected office. Napper has been serving as "holdover" CA until commissioners made the appointment this week.

In making the motion for the appointment, commissioner Mike Braddock noted that Kingston had more experience than the other applicants. The three commissioners present for the meeting approved the motion unanimously.

Kingston is a resident of O'Donnell. He will begin serving in his appointed position sometime in May, and continue through December 2008, when Napper's term would have expired.

During the regular business portion of the meeting, commissioners approved advertising for bids for a new communications tower. The project

will be paid for with grant funds and will replace the communication equipment on the current communication tower located on FM 400.

Property insurance was renewed with Texas Association of Counties, and monthly bills were approved. Commissioners discussed the fire ban, deciding to leave the ban in effect for the county. Each commissioner also stated they would respond to any fire in the county with their equipment when needed, and requested that the sheriff's office contact commissioners to let them know if the equipment was needed.

"We will be glad to bring any county equipment to help with suppressing any fires in the county, but we have to be aware of the need," said Commissioner Mike Braddock. "If the sheriff's office will call to let us know, we can bring our equipment to assist our fire departments."

Sheriff Jerry D. Franklin reported on his department's activities.

Three of four commissioners were present for the meeting that adjourned at 12:10 p.m., including Don Blair, Mike Braddock and J.T. Miller, with County Judge H.G. Franklin presiding. Commissioner Don Morton was absent.



JAY NAPPER

Candidates Listed in Area Elections

Below is a list of candidates for the May 13 city and school elections in Lynn County. Early Voting is May 1-9 at various locations. Incumbents have an (I) listed after their names.

City of Tahoka - 3 Council Members: 2 single-member districts and 1 at-large district, all 2-year terms (A map showing the districts is displayed at City Hall and at the Polling location)
District 2: Tony Salinas and Clara Calvillo (I)
District 4: Jeff Martin and Jay Dee House (I)
District 5 (At-Large): Chad Ford and Ray Don Box (I)

Tahoka ISD - 2 At-Large Trustees, 3-year terms
Three candidates: Jimmy Dorman (I), Valton Stephens (I), Jana Lowdermilk

City of Wilson - Mayor and 2 council seats, 2-year terms
Mayoral Candidates: Cody Paul Donald, Victor Steinhauer
Council Candidates (uncontested race): Oscar Follis (I), Francine Williams

Wilson ISD - 2 trustees, 3-year terms
Five candidates: Casey Donald, Oscar Ortega Ortega, Lana Garner Daniell, Ricky Cross (I), Danny Mendez

City of New Home - 3 council members, 2-year terms
Five candidates: Jesse Ramirez, Alan Nettles, LaVonne Scooter Sharp, Gene Link, Shane Fiedler

City of O'Donnell - Mayor and 2 council seats, 2-year terms
Mayoral candidates: James Williams, Maurice Jackson (I)
Three council candidates: Harry Howell (I), Anita Guajardo (I), and Scott Martinez

The following entities cancelled their elections, due to uncontested races. These candidates will be declared elected to serve the following terms:

New Home ISD - 2 trustees, 3-year terms
Travis Smith and Andy Maeker

O'Donnell ISD - 2 trustees, 3-year terms
Renn Dorman and Monty Hancock

Lynn County Hospital District - 3 directors, 3-year terms
Billy Tomlinson, Jerry Ford and Jannis Childress-Horwood

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LAST WEEK I wrote about milk; this week the topic is eggs. That still leaves butter for another day, although I really didn't plan to launch a three-part dairy series. I do like dairy products, for launch, or dinner. And I don't know anything about butter (but ignorance never stopped me on the milk and egg stories).

Anyway, I read a couple of stories about eggs in last Sunday's newspaper, one of which made me feel better about all the eggs I eat. The good news story was in USA Weekend, a magazine supplement, and it said that eggs are okay for your heart, and "if you've been avoiding eggs because you think they will raise your cholesterol, stop it." According to the article, the anti-egg crusade was a mistake, and just because eggs themselves are high in cholesterol doesn't mean they raise your blood cholesterol.

According to research they quoted, people who eat an egg a day are no more likely to have heart disease than those who eat eggs less than once a week. This information was eggciting.

It takes a minute or two to realize there are words inside the magazine, because the cover photo on that issue showed actress Eva Longoria in what Ann Landers used to call an atomic blouse (60 per cent fallout).

If you're still afraid to eat plain old eggs, you might want to try the special low-fat, low-cholesterol eggs produced by Egglund's Best, a company in New Jersey, which was the subject of the other story I read.

These eggs sell for as much as a dollar more per dozen than regular eggs, and last year about \$200 million worth were sold, according to the story. Compared to regular eggs, Egglund's have 25 per cent less saturated fat, 15 per cent less cholesterol and several times more vitamin E and omega-3 fatty acid, both of which are believed to reduce the risk of heart disease, and also contain lutein, which is supposed to help prevent cancer and macular degeneration.

You many not be able to buy them around here, though. If they are that good for you, maybe a trip to New Jersey once in awhile might be in order. I'll bet that since the Associated Press story came out April 9, people are scrambling to get those eggs.

THE SLOB on Sixth St. says he briefly considered a living will. "At halftime on a basketball game I was watching last week, my wife and I were discussing life and death," he said. "I told her, 'just so you will know, I never want to live in a vegetative state, dependent on some machine and fluids from a bottle. If that ever happens, just pull the plug.'"

"She promptly got up, unplugged the TV and threw out all my beer. "Sometimes I hate being married to a smart aleck."

Obituaries

Dennis Murphy

Services for Dennis A. Murphy, 63, of Wilson were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 26, 2006 at the Thompson-Larson Funeral Home Chapel in Minot, North Dakota. Burial was in the Rosehill Cemetery.

He was born May 15, 1942 in Minot, North Dakota to Eugene L. and Velma Sloan Murphy. He was a graduate of Bishop Ryan High School in Minot. He retired in 1999 after working 33 years for Boeing Aircraft in the Seattle Washington area. He died Tuesday, April 18, 2006 in Wilson.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, John and Thomas Murphy; two sisters, Patricia Murphy Francis and Eleanor Murphy; and one brother-in-law, Bob Francis.

He is survived by four brothers, Eugene Jr., and Michael Murphy of Minot, Timothy Murphy of Bismarck, and Jim Murphy and wife Sandy of Minot; three sisters, Mary Kettle and husband Tom of Las Vegas, Nevada, Rose Bjelland and husband Stan of Minot, and Janet Murphy of Minot; and his good friend, Duane Bowen of Wilson.



LOIS SHIPMAN

Lois Shipman

Services for Lois Audrey Shipman, 96, of Abernathy, were held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 25, at First Baptist Church of Abernathy with Pastor John Lowrie officiating. Interment followed in Abernathy Cemetery, under the direction of White Funeral Home of Lubbock.

She died Saturday, April 22, 2006 in Lubbock. She was born on April 1, 1910 in Blueridge, Texas to Thomas Jefferson and Jessie Butler Pate. She married Furman Shipman in December, 1928. He died in March, 1992. She was a homemaker and was a member of First Baptist Church of Abernathy. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; a brother, Lloyd Pate; and a sister, Charisic Boliver.

Survivors include a son, Keith Shipman and wife Barbara of Abernathy; two daughters, Brenda Apperson and husband Fred of Abernathy, and Linda Ballard and husband Bob of New Home; eight grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

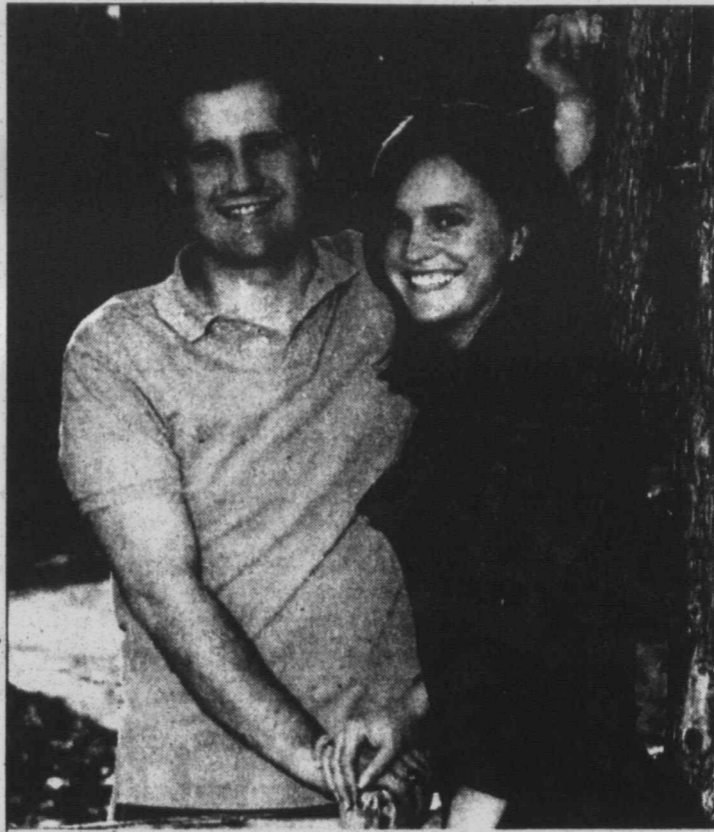
Neugebauer Reminds Students of Congressional Art Competition

U.S. Congressman Randy Neugebauer is reminding all high school students interested in having their artwork hanging in the halls of Congress that the deadline for entering the Congressional Art Competition is just around the corner.

Neugebauer announced the competition, which is open to all high school students, in a March letter sent to all high schools in the 19th District. Students must submit their entries to their schools' art department or the appropriate teacher. The teacher or department will then send one digital photograph of the work, along with a release form, to Neugebauer's office no later than Monday, May 1. All submitted works will then be evaluated by a panel of impartial judges from the 19th District based on creativity and conformity to House regulations.

The piece that wins the competition will be sent to Washington, D.C. to be displayed in the United States Capitol. The winning artist will receive an offer from the Savannah (Ga.) College of Art and Design for a \$3,000 per year Artistic Honors Scholarship. Additionally, the second, third and fourth place winners' works will be placed on display in Neugebauer's Lubbock, Abilene, and Big Spring offices.

Any additional questions regarding the competition should be directed to Chad Greenfield in Neugebauer's Lubbock office via email at chad.greenfield@mail.house.gov or by calling 806-763-1611 (toll free at 888-763-1611).



JIM VINEYARD and JENNIFER BOX

Box-Vineyard Engagement Announced

Ron and Nita Box of Gunter announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer, to Jim Vineyard. She is the granddaughter of Pete and LaQuita Schaffner of Lubbock and Ward and Janette Box of Crystal City.

Vineyard is the son of Buddy and Wanda Vineyard of Kress, formerly of New Home. He is the grandson of Urban and Roberta Klemman of Tulia and John and Bobbi Renfro of Kress.

The bride-elect is a 2001 graduate of Gunter High School. She received a Bachelor of Science Degree from Texas Tech University in 2005. She is a consumer science teacher with Northwest ISD in Trophy Club.

The prospective groom graduated from Kress High School in 2001. He received a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree in Finance from Texas Tech University in 2005. He is a commercial underwriter with Plains Capital Bank in Fort Worth.

The couple plan to wed June 24 at Clark Gardens in Mineral Wells.

Letters To The Editor

Pray For Community

John 14:27 --

"I am leaving you with a gift-peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give isn't like the peace the world gives, so don't be troubled or afraid."

At times things have been difficult for some in Lynn County.

Please pray for our Spiritual Leaders in Lynn County. In turn pray for those in our city council, city mayor, and city officials. For our farmers who perhaps are having a difficult time because of the lack of rain and for our youth, each and everyone in Lynn County. As we learn to love each other, learn to stand strong in the test of times and may the Lord be with us as we learn to trust in Him.

May God Bless us all and Bless our community.

Thank You and God Be With Us!

Johnny Gutierrez

No Jobs For African Americans

To Whom It May Concern:

Why is it that African Americans cannot get a job in Tahoka? Oh, we get them, but it's cleaning houses or something of that sort. To my knowledge, there are only four African Americans that are employed in Tahoka. Do you know how many live here? More than four and the others that are employed are forced to commute, but you want us to do our business here.

When a job is available, we do not know about it or when we do find out, it has already been filled. Jobs are not even listed in the paper, because you know whom you are going to hire, so why post it. What is wrong with this picture? You tell me. Are we not good enough, not qualified, or just not the right color? I would have to guess not the right color, because I know that my qualification would meet or surpass some of those that you choose to employ.

I went into a business and the person behind the counter could not even spell taxes. Why did she get the job? I will tell you why, it is her color and her name. Is it fair that we have to be victims of racism? No, but this is something that we have had to live with for a long time. All we are asking for, is you give us a chance.

Am I mad, no, disappointed, yes?

Nancy Rodriguez

Senior Citizens MENU

May 1-5

Monday: Chicken patties, French fries, baked apples

Tuesday: Chicken Fried steak, green beans, corn, mashed potatoes, brownies

Wednesday: Beef enchiladas, Spanish rice, beans, salad, crackers, strawberry jello w/ peaches

Thursday: Fish, coleslaw, potato salad, hush puppies, lemon bars

Friday: Chicken spaghetti, Italian veggies, salad, garlic bread, cherry cobbler

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PET TALK

When Fido and Fluffy get the ho-hums and appear bored, playing solitaire or working on a puzzle are probably not options to solve the problem.

If your pet is acting strangely, such as a dog chasing its tail excessively or your cat over grooming itself, don't rule out the possibility of obsessive-compulsive disorder (OCD), says Dr. Bonnie Beaver, a veterinarian and behavioral expert at the College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences at Texas A&M University.

She believes obsessive compulsive disorders can lead to problems for your pet.

"Obsessive compulsive behaviors tend to be repetitive behaviors that are seen in inappropriate situations, often but not always to excess," says Beaver. "They are hard to diagnose because we cannot evaluate the animal's thoughts."

She says the common causes of OCD in pets are stress, anxiety and boredom.

"Animals with too much energy and those without things to occupy their minds will find ways to do something," says Beaver. "Over time, these actions become something an animal needs to perform and are then seen as repetitive behaviors."

Stress can also trigger these behavioral problems. "Changes in routine and lack of exercise are the two most common causes of stress in animals," Beaversays.

Dogs and cats with high energy are more likely to develop obsessive-compulsive disorders.

"There also seems to be a subcategory of animals that have an imbalance of chemicals in the brain, which makes them susceptible to these disorders," she adds.

"If your pet exhibits some of these behaviors, there could be serious results. The drive to perform a behavior can be so strong the animal fails to eat or sleep. In some cases, the behavior causes self-directed aggression like chewing of the tail or leg."

But how can owners tell if their pets' behaviors can lead to serious problems?

"Any time the owner has a question about his or her pet's behavior, he or she should give their veterinarian a call," says Beaver. "If it could become a serious behavior problem, the veterinarian will let the owner know an appointment is

necessary."

Sometimes animals only exhibit these types of behaviors for a short period of time. Beaver advises owners to be aware of this and if the problem progresses, owners should consult their veterinarian. "Anything that lasts for more than a few days should spark a concern," she adds.

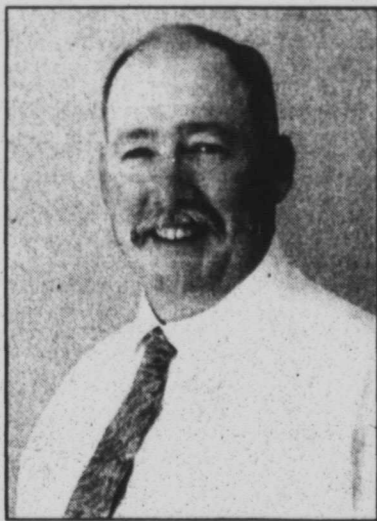
But don't start biting your nails just yet - she says there are things you can do to help your pet with this disorder.

"Sometimes the behaviors can be prevented by being sure the animal gets plenty of exercise," Beaver says. "Also make sure it has a lot of enriching things for the pet to do in its home environment."

Obsessive-compulsive disorders can be a serious problem for you and your pet. Beaver suggests owners consult their veterinarian if they notice any odd behavior.

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Tahoka Elementary Lists Honor Rolls

Tahoka Elementary students on the Perfect Attendance list are: Headstart- Nadalie Carrasco, Riley Cook, Alexander Herrevia, and Andrew Saldana. Pre-K- Naziah Cauley, Corbin Escobedo, Miguel Granados, Shelby Meeks, Chloe Moore, Madison Moya, and Mason Walker. Kindergarten: Garret Ehler, Bentley Harbison, Patrick Herrera, Kyle Jones, Lisa Moroles, Ruben Quinonez, Tanner Roberts, Eric Saldana, Bryan Williams, Dalton Chapman, Gavin Doyle, Sebastian Pedroza and Katelynn Quinn. First Grade: Andrew Forsythe, Ethan Foshee, Brit Lockaby, Haley Stephens, Yulissa Villegas, Braden Cook, Megan Colorado, Michael Farrell, Olivia Hammonds, Paxton Jenkins, Kylynn McCleskey, Chelsey Hunter, Chevy Morin, Colbe Perez, Emit Quintero, Averi Starkey and Grant Tekell.

Top readers for Kindergarten are: Bentley Harbison, Bryan Williams, Gavin Doyle and Katelynn Quinn.

Superstar Honor Roll students were: Second Grade: Xenia Charon, Miranda DeLeon, Nick Garcia, Carlos Moralez, Hadley Reynolds, Kaci Rodriguez, Andrea Garcez, Alison Quisenberry, Caitlin Webb, Sarina Ybarra, Maci Dimak, M'Lin Hill, Grant Garvin, and Clarissa Lopez. Third Grade: Coy Mercer, Lauren Raindl, Sonya Gonzales, Skyler Hagar, Kara Larpenfer, Dane Rivas, Megan Alvarado, Jeremiah DeLeon, Brighton McMinn and Alyssa Pesina. Fourth Grade: Kristal DeVine, Starr Hagar, Kaitlyn Lehman, Erynn Harris, Abigail Santos and Nicole Taylor. Fifth Grade: Swade Hammonds, Sarah Freitag, Smith McLelland, Jori Chapa and Taya Bishop. Sixth Grade: Elyssa Foshee, Gretchen Henley, Nancy Munoz, Logan Tekell, Zach Garcia and Jake Heryford.

Bulldog Honor Roll students are: Second Grade: Jordan Alvarado, Slade Brown, Leslie Resendez, Adriana Salinas, Karen Strickland, Jasmine Gonzales, Nathaniel Locke, Shelbi McMillan, Johnny Rosas, Bruce Burleson, Michelle Earnest, Tony Garcia, Ramon Montemayor, Katharina Nickel, Courtney Perez, Marcos Saldana, Curry Lehman and Ka'lynn Green. Third Grade: Elvia Aguilar, Blake McCleskey, Mia Saldana, Colton Taylor, Kohl Angeley, Amanda Hill, Vanessa Mendez, Tyler Webb, Justin Creech, Shelbee Forsythe, Jackson Harbison and Devin McCleskey. Fourth Grade: Elizabeth Locke, Cort Fisher, Kirstin Stice, McKenzie Dimak and Gabriella Pando. Fifth Grade: Keaton Stice, Marcus Gonzales, Kayla Hill, Levi Hawthorne, Alex Hinds and Eirain Ramirez. Sixth Grade: Braiden Fisher, Andy Hinds, Carson Lehmann, Stormee Martin and Kyndle Nance.

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NHS Makes a Difference ... Tahoka High School National Honor Society students chose the home of Mary Flores, at 1917 North 1st in Tahoka, for their annual Make a Difference Day project. Students made several improvements to the house, including replacing stucco on the outside, replacing boards around windows and screens on the front door, painting the house and trim, and fixing the ceiling inside the home. Additionally, students volunteered to do yard work, including mowing, cleaning up sidewalks, removing some small trees, planting flowers, and trimming trees and bushes. "We worked at the house last Tuesday morning (April 18th), last Wednesday afternoon (April 19th), and finished up Monday (April 24th). We had the help of our school carpenter, Phillip Harrelson, who helped us put up stucco board and replace some of the boards around the windows. The Dixie Dog provided drinks for all of our members for two days while we were working. City Hall also helped us dig up one tree with their backhoe. Most of our supplies were purchased from Main Street Express & Higginbotham Bartlett companies in Tahoka," said NHS sponsor Shelly Stone.

Risky Drinking Can Increase Risk of an ER Visit

As part of Alcohol Awareness Month in April, the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) and the Emergency Nurses Association (ENA) have launched a campaign to educate occasional drinkers about how much is too much alcohol consumption and why it may put them at a higher risk of a trip to the emergency department.

Research shows that habitual drinking of more than four alcoholic drinks per occasion or more than two drinks per day (on average) for a man, and more than three drinks per occasion or more than one drink a day (on average) for a woman and anyone over age 65, can put you at higher risk of injury, illnesses and even a trip to the emergency department. Alcohol contributes to the deaths of about 100,000 people annually from falls, impaired driving crashes and illnesses, such as cirrhosis of the liver, according to the National Council on Alcohol and Drug Dependency. It also contributes to suicide, homicide, domestic

violence, as well as heart disease, cancer and stroke.

"There is a rising trend in alcohol-related emergency department visits, which means people are being harmed and a heavy burden is placed on our health care system," said Dr. Frederick Blum, president of ACEP. "You don't have to be an alcoholic to have an alcohol problem. With heightened awareness that just a few drinks put persons at higher risk of injury or illness, we believe more people will think twice before consuming too much alcohol."

A 2004 study published in the *Archives of Internal Medicine* found 8 percent of emergency department visits to be alcohol-related, which on average represents about 7.6 million alcohol-related visits per year. Researchers said patients aged 30 to 49 had twice the rate of emergency department visits with diagnoses completely attributable to alcohol, compared with patients aged 15 through 29, or 50 and older. The visit rate for males was three times higher than for females, and the visit rate for blacks was approximately two times higher than for whites.

"Every day, emergency nurses across the country see the tragic effects that alcohol abuse has on the lives of individuals and families," said Nancy Bonalumi, RN, MS, CEN, 2006 president of the Emergency Nurses Association. "By making educated life choices when drinking, people can prevent needless health problems or injuries, including harm to innocent victims."

About three in 10 U.S. adults drink at levels that elevate their risk for physical, mental health, and social problems, according to the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism. 2001-2002 National Epidemiologic Survey on Alcohol and Related Conditions. Older adults who drink too much alcohol are at increased risk of hypertension that can result in a stroke, impaired motor skills even at low level use, injuries such as falls, sleep disorders, suicide, and

increased dementia symptoms. Of these heavy drinkers, about one in four has alcohol abuse or dependence. All heavy drinkers have a greater risk of hypertension, gastrointestinal bleeding, sleep disorders, major depression, hemorrhagic stroke, cirrhosis of the liver and several cancers.

The limits are lower for women, because they have proportionally less body water than men do and thus achieve higher blood alcohol concentrations after drinking the same amounts of alcohol. Older adults also have less lean body mass and greater sensitivity to alcohol's effects.

Funded by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), the Risky Drinking Campaign hopes to keep people from driving after drinking and increase awareness about how much is too much alcohol. ACEP emergency physicians are available in 21 communities across the country to comment on the campaign and to talk about the consequences of risky drinking. Additional information about the campaign also is available at www.acep.org/riskydrinking.

Letters To The Editor -- POLICY --

Our readers are encouraged to express their opinions in Letters to the Editor.

Letters to the Editor are accepted by the Lynn County News in person (1617 Main Street); by mail (P.O. Box 1170, Tahoka 79373); or by fax (806-561-6308).

All letters must be signed with a handwritten signature, and all are subject to editing for length. The editor reserves the right to refuse any letter because of vulgarity or libel issues.

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- * Hanging Baskets
- * Tomato Plants

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Wilson ISD Pre-K Roundup Set for May 4

Wilson Schools will be holding their annual Pre-Kindergarten Roundup for children that will be four years of age on or before September 1, 2006. The Roundup will be held on Thursday, May 4th beginning at 9:30 a.m. until 10:45 a.m. in the elementary school building.

"We are asking parents to bring a copy of the child's birth certificate, current immunization records, and social security card, which we will copy for our records. Parents will receive information on the curriculum and learning expectations for our youngest learners, while the kids get to interact with each other and have fun," said Superintendent Mike Jones.

BULLDOG
Booster Club News

The Bulldog Booster Club will meet Wednesday, May 3 at 8 p.m. in the Tahoka High School LRC. This is a very important meeting to elect new officers, and to discuss the banquet and golf tournament. All supporters of junior high and high school athletes are encouraged to attend.

TAHOKA SCHOOL NEWS
by THS Journalism Students

Varsity Baseball by Samantha Andrews

On April 22, the Bulldogs lost 6-3 to the Roosevelt Eagles. Patrick Dotson scored one run and had 1 RBI. Kyle Preston and Josh Hawthorne each had one hit. Nathan Garcia also had one hit and an RBI.

The Bulldogs were defeated 17-0 by the Slaton Tigers on April 17. Josh Freitag and Patrick Dotson both had one hit. Daniel Baker and Ernest Gomez each had two hits.

On April 14, the Dogs lost to the Idalou Wildcats 11-0. Josh Freitag, Patrick Dotson, Nathan Garcia, Matt McLelland and Josh Hawthorne all had one hit. Daniel Baker was two for two from the plate.

To the citizens of Lynn County:

THANK YOU for allowing me to serve as your County Attorney for more than seven years. It was an honor and a pleasure to serve Lynn County and I hope to be able to continue to serve you as your District Judge.

While it was legally required that I resign my post as your County Attorney in order to seek election as your District Judge, it was not easy for me to do so.

Again, thank you for entrusting me with the office of County Attorney and I ask that you vote for me on November 7, 2006, as I seek the office of District Judge.

Sincerely,
James J. Napper

Pol. adv. paid for by James J. Napper, O'Donnell, Texas

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Parents, Grandparents, Aunts & Uncles ...

Get your congratulations ad in by 5:30 p.m. Thursday, May 18 for the graduation issue!

If you would like to congratulate your high school senior in The Lynn County News' graduation issue on May 25, send \$6, the name of the student, high school, and parents name to Lynn County News, P.O. Box 1170, Tahoka, Texas 79373 or come by the News Office at 1617 Main St.

HURRY! DEADLINE IS THURSDAY, MAY 18 AT 5:30 P.M. AND IT ONLY COSTS \$6

Congratulations
Name of Student!
We're proud of you.
Mom, Dad, or Whoever

New Home High School

The graduation issue includes **New Home, Wilson, O'Donnell and Tahoka seniors!**



Local Center Rated Among Best ... Board members for the Tahoka Housing Authority are shown outside The Center for Housing and Community Development, which has been recognized by federal authorities as one of the best housing authorities in the state of Texas. Board members include, from left, Bennie Nance, Greg Henley, Cal Huffaker, Doug Wood, and John Krey (Chairman), shown with the center's Executive Director, Bill Miller.

Tahoka Housing Authority Rated Among Best in State

by **JUANELL JONES**

Organizations in small communities are often overlooked when it comes to recognition by federal officials, but the Tahoka Housing Authority has been rated one of the best housing authorities in the state of Texas — and that's compared to 286 housing authority organizations overseen by the Texas Housing and Urban Development (HUD) officials in Fort Worth.

"We are truly honored by this designation, and feel that the federal authorities recognize that the Tahoka Housing Authority is a viable part of this community," said Bill Miller, Executive Director of the Tahoka Housing Authority. "I was told that we are one of the highest rated housing authorities in the state, earning an overall average of 96.8 (of a possible 100 points) in the rating scale. It's just almost unheard of to get anything above a 95, so we are very pleased," added Miller.

HUD bases the rating on an annual inspection of housing authorities, with four overall components considered in the rating, including Management, Financial, Resident Survey, and Physical Inspection of all property.

Tahoka Housing Authority received a perfect component score in the Management section, and dropped only one point in the Financial section, with the other few points deducted in the Resident Survey and Physical Inspection of all properties.

"We really received an excellent rating in the physical inspection of our properties," said Miller, adding that the Tahoka Housing Authority is committed to maintaining the condition of

all housing properties under its jurisdiction to the highest standards.

"We have a total of 74 units, after we purchased the housing on North 7th Street from the Tahoka Industrial Housing Authority (a city-operated organization that is no longer functional). We have since renovated all of those units, and we strive to maintain the best possible housing for our residents," Miller explained.

"We've already considered a high performer by HUD because of our consistently high ratings these past few years (usually around 92 points), but this year's high rating by HUD is extremely rare and we are excited about that," said Miller, noting that Tahoka Housing Authority has more housing units compared to other communities with similar populations.

HUD provides federal funding for the operation of the local facility, and a five-member board of commissioners oversees the Tahoka Housing Authority. John Krey serves as chairman of the board, Cal Huffaker is vice chairman, and three other members complete the board, including Bennie Nance, Greg Henley and Doug Wood. Miller heads a staff of three that oversees the day-to-day operations.

"Our staff members, Virginia Quintero, Raymond Quintero, and Roger Locke, Jr., do a wonderful job and we credit them with helping the Tahoka Housing Authority earn this exemplary rating from HUD," said Miller.

Offices for the housing authority are located inside The Center for Housing and Community Development, which was built with a \$1.2 million

federal grant several years ago obtained by the Tahoka Housing Authority. The Center, located at 1400 Ave. K, also provides a large community room/kitchen complex that is available for community needs, and is a well-used facility for many community events, including computer classes, GED classes, and youth organization activities.

"We're proud of what we have accomplished these past few years, and are pleased that the Tahoka Housing Authority is not only providing affordable housing for many members of our community but also fills a need with our community center that is used for many school and community events," said Miller.

Randy's Roundup

A Weekly Newsletter from Congressman Randy Neugebauer April 24, 2006

Congress Back in Session

Congress returns from the Easter District Work Period this week with a host of issues on its plate. Over the next several weeks, we will consider a number of important issues - the budget, illegal immigration and border security, energy, and agriculture policy, just to name a few.

Big Spring VA Hospital

West Texas veterans got a boost last Thursday as the Veterans Administration (VA) announced that the VA hospital in Big Spring will remain open and possibly expand its mission over the next few years. The announcement came as the VA completes a study on reorganizing its hospital system. This means that area veterans will continue to have access to one of the premier VA health facilities in the Southwest.

The VA's decision to keep the Big Spring hospital in its system capped a two-year long process. While it was ultimately based on objective factors like location, services provided and high medical standards, I think it's fair to say that the support shown by the people of Big Spring played no small role in the VA's decision. From the mayor to the average citizen, Big Spring demonstrated its commitment to keeping the hospital open and available to West Texas veterans. That commitment of support was never more evident than when thousands of residents turned out when I brought the VA secretary to Big Spring a couple years ago.

The VA's decision was a good one for West Texas, and - most importantly - for West Texas veterans.

Ports-to-Plains

On Wednesday, I will host a lunch meeting between Ports-to-Plains President Michael Reeves and members of the Congressional Ports-to-Plains Caucus, which I chair. We will discuss the status of that important interstate trade corridor, as well as congressional efforts to provide resources to expand the corridor.

Medicare Reminder

Finally, I want to remind folks once again that the deadline to sign up for the Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit is May 15. Seniors can sign up online, over the phone, by fax, or directly with health plans. Seniors or family members with questions about the Medicare prescription drug benefit can call 1-800-MEDICARE or visit <http://www.medicare.gov>.

MISSING ...
from 1305 Ave. J in Tahoka:
Small female Yorkshire Terrier named **PEBBLES**.

She has asthma and is wearing a pink collar with a tag (#5165). She is brown & black and loves to play ball and give kisses! She is like our child and we miss her dearly... missing as of 5 p.m. on April 25th.

If found, PLEASE call Wilma or Rick, 561-5134



Lynn County Merchants Appreciate Your Business!

Weather Summary Given For March

For the 39 National Weather Service Cooperative Stations across the South Plains, Southern Texas Panhandle, and Rolling Plains during the month of March, the following data was recorded.

For Tahoka, the average high temp was 69.0, low -43.7 with a monthly average of 56.4 and the normal temperature being 50.8. The total precipitation for the month was 1.36 bringing the total to 1.38 for the year.

The greatest precipitation for the month was at Childress at 2.67 inches, and the least being White River Lake at 0.87 inches. Total rainfall recorded for O'Donnell was 1.20" in March, and 1.40" for the year.

Volunteer and help others -- it will do your heart good!

Check out the City of Tahoka's Website!



Find out more about the City of Tahoka by visiting their computer website at www.tahokatx.com. The site has information about city government, officials, churches, city services, health services and more!

ATTEND CHURCH IN LYNN COUNTY

Wilson St. Paul Lutheran Church
16th & Houston St. • Box 136 • Wilson, TX 79381
(806) 628-6471 • www.stpaulwilson.com
PASTOR: DAVID W. RHODE
Sunday School - 9:15 a.m.
Divine Service - 10:15 a.m.
"Where Christ Serves People"

New Home United Methodist Church
350 N. Main
New Home, TX 79383
(806) 924-7549
PASTOR: RICK WOLFE
Sunday School - 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship - 10:45 a.m.
Youth Activities

Sweet Street Baptist Church
1300 Avenue J • Box 751 • Tahoka, TX 79373
(806) 561-5310
PASTOR: LYNN LONG
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
(A Bible Study Class for all ages)
Morning Worship - 10:55 a.m.
(Uplifting Music - Message from God's Word)
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
(Praise & Worship - Gospel Message)
Wednesday Night - 7 p.m.
(Prayer & Bible Study, Children & Youth Ministries)
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

New Home Church of Christ
St. address • Box 188 • New Home, TX 79383
(806) 924-7579
MINISTER: VICTOR ELLISON
Bible Class - 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship Service - 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service - 6 p.m.
Mid-Week Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

Wilson First Baptist Church
1403 13th St. • Box 67 • Wilson, TX 79381
(806) 628-6333
PASTOR: BILLY PARMER
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship - 11:00 a.m.
Discipleship Training - 5 p.m. Sunday
Sunday Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Mtg-6 p.m., Youth 7 p.m.

Tahoka Trinity Church
1925 Lockwood • Box 1168 • Tahoka, TX 79373
Phone (806) 561-5317
PASTOR: PERRY SHUFFIELD
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Youth - Sundays at 7 p.m.
For a ride to Sunday School or Church, call 561-5317

TAHOKA St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church
South 4th & Ave. M • Tahoka, TX 79373
(806) 561-4436
PASTOR: REV. EDUARDO TEO
DEACON: FRANCISCO AGUILAR
Mass - 11 a.m. Sunday, 7 p.m. Wed. & Thur.
Rosary - 7 p.m. Tues.
CCE Class/Confirmation Instruct. - 7 p.m. Wed.

O'Donnell First Baptist Church
701 Standefer • O'Donnell, TX 79351
(806) 428-3236
PASTOR: SCOTT HENSLEY
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting - 7 p.m.

TAHOKA Church of Christ
2320 Lockwood • Box 1177 • Tahoka, TX 79373
(806) 561-4060 • email: tcoc@poka.com
MINISTER: RON FANT
Sunday School - 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship - 11 a.m., 6 p.m.
Bible Classes - Wednesday 7 p.m.

"Lighting The Way"
Read Psalm 116:1-9
Searching for any trace of the path, I strained my eyes toward the ground. All that I could see, however, was darkness. I was 14, at camp, and lost in the woods at night. My situation was getting bleaker by the minute.
What eventually led me back to safety was surprising: fireflies. Once my eyes adjusted to the complete darkness of the woods, the fireflies' tiny lights seemed to explode, helping me to find the path I had been looking for.
In a similar way, we may feel that some of the small acts of love we do for the Lord are insignificant. Yet what may seem insignificant to us could be a "firefly" that leads someone back home, back to a path they have been searching for. We never know how God will use our lives. Every way we serve, honor, imitate, and share Christ can lighten someone's darkness.
Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." -- John 8:12
Prayer: Father, thank you for the light of your love. Use us to share that light with those lost in darkness. Amen.
Thought for the Day: An act of love is never too small.
--from The Upper Room

Wilson St. John Lutheran Church
13th & Dickson • Wilson, TX 79381
(806) 628-6573
Sharing Christ's message of forgiveness and salvation with our community and beyond
LEADERS: REV. YVONNE KIEBLER
TONDA FREITAG, PLM
Sunday School (for all ages) - 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship - 11:15 a.m.

First Baptist Church
1701 Ave. K • Box 1547 • Tahoka, TX 79373
(806) 561-4557 • www.fbctahoka.org
PASTOR: REV. RICHARD HARBISON
First Service - 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Second Service - 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Activities For All Ages - Call For Complete Schedule
There's A Place For Me at FBC!

Grassland Nazarene Church
2885 CR 25 • Tahoka, TX 79373
(806) 327-5656, 327-5655
PASTOR: DAVID PARKER
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Youth and Adults: Wednesdays - 7 p.m.

Gethsemane Baptist Church
1421 South 5th • Box 1017 • Tahoka, TX 79373
(806) 561-4577
PASTOR: REV. MINGO CHAPA
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship - 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.
Pot Luck Lunch Every Sunday - All Welcome!
MATTHEW 11:28

Draw First United Methodist Church
(established 1907)
P.O. Box 496 • O'Donnell, TX 79351
Phone (806) 428-3357 or Fern Barnes (806) 327-5583
PASTOR: REV. TONI BAYLEY
Sunday Morning Worship - 9:15 a.m.
Sunday School following

Ambassadors for Christ
701 N. 1st • Tahoka, TX 79373
Phone 561-5520 or 998-6092
PASTOR: CHARLIE STICE
ASSOCIATE PASTOR: MICHAEL SCOTT
SUNDAY SERVICES:
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:45 a.m.
Youth - 5:15 p.m.
Evening Praise & Worship - 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.

First United Methodist Church
1801 Ave. J • Box 500 • Tahoka, TX 79373
(806) 561-4503 • fumctahoka@juno.com
PASTOR: REV. JEFF BAYLEY
Sundays: Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship - 10:45 a.m.
Youth - 6 p.m. - Adult Bible Study 7 p.m.
Family Fellowship - 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays
"For I know the plans I have for you... plans to give you hope and a future!"
--JEREMIAH 29:11

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Wilson ISD
Prekindergarten Notification

Wilson ISD will offer a prekindergarten class if fifteen or more eligible children are identified who are at least four years of age on or before September 1, 2006. Students may be eligible for this program if they meet one of three criteria: (1) unable to speak and understand the English language; (2) qualify for free or reduced meal benefits; or (3) qualify as being "homeless". If you have a four-year old child who may qualify and are interested in him/her attending a prekindergarten class, please notify Mr. Mike Jones at (806) 628-6261.

El Wilson ISD ofrecerán una clase de prekindergarten si quince o niños más elegibles son identificado quien es por lo menos cuatro años de la edad en o antes de el 1 de septiembre de 2006. Los estudiantes tienen derecho a para este programa si ellos reúnen uno de tres criterios: (1) incapaz hablar y entiende el idioma inglés; (2) califica para libreta o los beneficios reducidos de comida; o (3) califica es como sin hogar. Si usted tiene a un niño viejo de cuatro años que puede calificar y son interesado en él/ella es asistir una clase de prekindergarten, notifica por favor Sr. Mike Jones en (806) 628-6261.

CERTIFICATION OF UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES

CERTIFICACION DE CANDIDATOS UNICOS
To: Presiding Officer of Governing Body
Al: Presidente de la entidad gobernante

As the authority responsible for having the official ballot prepared, I hereby certify that the following candidates are unopposed for election to office for the election scheduled to be held on May 13, 2006.

Como autoridad a cargo de la preparación de la boleta de votación oficial, por la presente certifico que los siguientes candidatos son candidatos únicos para elección para un cargo en la elección que se llevará a cabo el 13 Mayo, 2006.

List offices and names of candidates: Lista de cargos y nombres de los candidatos:

Board of Trustee, New Home ISD - Andy Maeker
Board of Trustee, New Home ISD - Travis Smith
/s/ Leland Zant
Superintendent
3/20/06



Who put this tree in our way? ... Tahoka NHS students Sonya Moralez and Shelley Gandy paint the lower portion of the wall at a home at 1917 N. 1st in Tahoka. NHS students volunteered to paint, do repairs, and clean up the lawn at the home for the group's annual Make A Difference Day project.

Crime ... (continued from page 1)

was to be sent to the county attorney for prosecution.

A wallet containing \$50 in cash was stolen out of a pickup in an alley on N. 6th St. Sunday. The owner of the wallet, Maria Rosa Benavides, and another person witness a suspect take the wallet out of the pickup and then running away. Police located the 19-year-old suspect, who denied the theft. The case is scheduled to be presented for prosecution.

A 19-year-old Tahoka man was charged with assault after an altercation with an 18-year-old in the yard of a home in Tahoka last Thursday.

Rosa Longoria estimated damage to her Dodge pickup at \$1,000 in a report of a hit-and-run accident made Tuesday.

The driver's side mirror on a 2002 Hyundai Santa Fe was broken in an act of vandalism Sunday to the vehicle owned by Kelsey J. Cloe of Tahoka. And mirrors on two vehicles owned by Tahoka School District also were broken out the same night.

These were on a 1999 Chevrolet Suburban and a 2003 Ford pickup.

Margriet Crispin told police that on Friday someone had keyed her 2004 Kia while it was parked. Damage was estimated at \$200.

28-year-old man was arrested and charged with assault after he reportedly struck a 33-year-old female family member last Wednesday.

Only five persons were added to the jail population during the last week, making a total of 44 held in Lynn County jail as of early this week. Twelve of these were held for Lubbock County and one each was held for Dawson and Garza counties.

Charges resulting in arrests during the week included possession of marijuana, possession of a controlled substance (warrant from Frio County), displaying fictitious inspection sticker (hold for Dawson County), public intoxication and tampering with physical evidence.

Notice

THE STATE OF TEXAS
IN THE INTEREST OF LORENA DAVILA A CHILD
TO ADOLFO DAVILA Defendant, Greeting

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of 42 days after the date you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you.

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the Monday next after the expiration of 42 days after the date of issuance of this citation on this Monday, June 12, 2006, before the Honorable District Court of Lynn County, at the Courthouse in said County in Tahoka, Texas. Said Original Petition was filed in the said court on the 19th day of October, 2005 in the above-entitled cause.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows: MT FOR ENFORCEMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT AND ORD TO APPEAR AND MOTION TO MODIFY PARENT-CHID RELATIONSHIP

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at Tahoka, Texas this the 25th day of April, 2006.

Attorney for Plaintiff
W. Calloway Huffaker
P.O. Box 968
Tahoka, TX 79373

Sandra Laws
Clerk of the Court
Sandra Laws/District Clerk
P.O. Box 939
Tahoka, TX 79373

By Loretta Hudgens Deputy

Delivered This 26th day of April 2006
Jerry D. Franklin
Sheriff of Lynn County
/s/ Abraham Vega, Deputy

ESL Summer School Offered
(English as a Second Language)
June 5-July 27 • 9 am - 12 noon
Tahoka Elementary
Transportation will NOT be provided.

Tahoka ISD is offering an 8-week summer school program for **ESL students** who are entering Kindergarten or First Grade in the 2006-07 school year.

Contact the Elementary School,
561-4350 for more information.

Wilson Minor Boys Capture Area Little Dribbler Championship

The Wilson Minor Boys, made up of 3rd and 4th graders, recently won the Little Dribblers Area Championship held in Wellman. The Wilson team went through the tournament undefeated. Wilson had completed the regular season with a 32-14 victory over New Home. Nine players saw significant playing time during that last regular season game including Roman Parmer, Dillon Gonzalez, Alfredo Rodriguez, Jesse Garza, Adrian Ramirez, Cedric Aguirre, Ray Parmer, Jeffrey Goodman, and Isaha Rivera. Ray Parmer led the offensive charge with 26 points. Roman Parmer had 4, and Jesse Garza 2 to round out the scoring.

Wilson began their run through the tournament by defeating Ropesville 27-3 in the Quarterfinals. Ray Parmer led the scoring with 18 followed by Roman Parmer with 4; Jesse Garza had 2, Adrian Ramirez 2, and Cedric Aguirre 1.

In the Semifinals, Wilson jumped out to a 10-0 1st quarter lead against a very good Meadow area team. Meadow fought back to narrow the gap by halftime, but the steady play consisting of a patient offense and a relentless defense brought the final score to a 26-13 victory for Wilson. Ray Parmer led all scores with 20 points followed by Jesse Garza with 4 points and Adrian Ramirez with 2. Cedric Aguirre had 5 steals and Roman Parmer had 7 assists to lead Wilson.

In the Championship game, Wilson defeated the top ranked Meadow Purple team by a score of 28-20. Things did not get off to a good start for Wilson as

Meadow jumped out to a 9-2 1st quarter advantage. Wilson's defense and timely scoring turned the tide in the second quarter as they chipped away to a 14-11 halftime lead. Wilson slowly pulled away to a 20-14 lead at the end of the 3rd quarter. After some nifty ball handling by Jesse Garza as Meadow was attempting to close in during the 4th quarter. Roman Parmer nailed a key shot from downtown to seal the victory. Wilson went on to claim the outright championship with a final tally of 28-20. Ray Parmer scored 18 points in the victory. Roman Parmer and Jesse Garza each had 4 and Cedric Aguirre added 2 points.

"I am very proud of these young men," said Coach Billy Parmer. "These guys improved so much from the beginning of the year. They showed up at practice and they eventually became very coachable. The way they showed patience under pressure, played defense, and worked together as a team was awesome."

He added, "A parent told me the boys in Wilson have not claimed a championship in 12 years, so this is very special to these kids and their families. Roman, Dillon, Alfredo, Jesse, Adrian, Cedric, Ray, Jeffrey and Isaha all worked together to play some great defense that stopped some very good teams. These kids worked hard and they deserve this. I thank the Lord for this opportunity because we all learned some valuable life lessons and that is what this is supposed to be about. I want to thank the parents and grandparents for sharing their kids with this team."

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USDA Extends Authorization To Graze CRP Acres

In continuing response to this year's widespread drought, USDA's Farm Service Agency has announced the extension of emergency grazing of Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) acreage in Texas to July 1, 2006.

"Certain areas of Texas continue to experience severe drought conditions and a severe shortage of forage for grazing," said CED Jimmy Woodard, County Executive Director for the Name County FSA. "Pasture recovery and new grass seedlings are delayed due to a lack of moisture and cool weather. This extension of emergency grazing to July 1, 2006 in Texas will provide forage for livestock and help producers in areas most severely impacted by these drought conditions."

This includes all counties in Texas previously approved for emergency grazing eligible for the extension. Grazing of CRP acres is authorized until July 1, 2006, or until disaster conditions no longer exist, whichever comes first. CRP participants who do not own or lease livestock may rent or lease the grazing privilege to an eligible livestock producer.

This action by USDA is in response to a request received from the Texas FSA State Committee. Producers should note that an extension for emergency haying of CRP acres past the original May 1 cutoff was NOT authorized in order to protect and preserve wildlife

habitat and the environmental benefit of the permanent cover.

CRP annual rental payments will be reduced by 25 percent for the acres grazed. Other restrictions and limitations apply therefore producers must visit the local USDA Service Center to request grazing privileges and modify existing CRP conservation plans to incorporate grazing provisions prior to relocating livestock.

CRP offers annual rental payments and cost-share assistance to establish long-term, resource-conserving cover on eligible land. USDA will monitor producers to ensure the land is grazed in a manner that does not damage existing conservation covers.

"Although many areas of the state have received the benefit of recent rains, there are areas where the precipitation was simply too little, too late," said CED Woodard. "Extending CRP grazing privileges provides immediate, short-term relief to producers in need of forage."

USDA also offers other programs to assist drought stricken producers, including emergency farm loans, the emergency conservation program and the noninsured crop disaster assistance program. For more information and eligibility requirements on USDA disaster assistance, producers should contact their local FSA office at Phone or visit FSA's website at: <http://www.fsa.usda.gov>.



New Home Little Dribblers are Champions ... The 3rd & 4th grade New Home Girls won first place in the Little Dribblers Minor Tournament held this past weekend in Wellman. The team finished the season with a 7-1 record. Team members holding their first place trophies are: (Bottom row L-R) Merritt Mitchell and Lindsey Burenheide. (Second row L-R) Daniela Cruz, Alexis Torres, Brianna Laseman, Joarit Morales, Kaylan Lehman, Ashton Link and Paige Ford. (Back row L-R) Coach Tara Lehman and Assistant Tammy Mitchell.

New Home SCHOOL MENU

May 1-5
Breakfast

- Monday: Donut
 - Tuesday: Tortilla Omelet
 - Wednesday: Biscuit-sausage
 - Thursday: Cinnamon French toast sticks
 - Friday: Breakfast Pizza
- Lunch**
- Monday: Pizza, carrot, cucumber, pudding
 - Tuesday: Beefy Nachos, pinto beans, orange half
 - Wednesday: Chopped steak, whipped potatoes, green beans, peach cup
 - Thursday: Popcorn chicken, mac & cheese, California blend veggies, grapes
 - Friday: Enchilada Casserole, refried beans, Spanish rice, pineapple tidbits

Disaster Assistance Available For Small Businesses

Small, non-farm businesses in 204 Texas Counties, including Lynn County, (plus contiguous counties in Louisiana, New Mexico and Oklahoma) may now apply for low interest disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). These disaster loans offset economic losses because of reduced revenue to farmers and ranchers caused by the severe drought conditions, above normal temperatures and wildfires, that occurred beginning April 1, announced Alfred E. Judd, Director of SBA's Disaster Field Operations Center-West.

Small businesses may qualify for Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL's) of up to \$1.5 million to help meet financial obligations and operating expenses, which could have been met, had the disaster not occurred. "Eligibility for these working capital loans is based on the

financial impact of the disaster only and not on any actual property damage. These loans have an interest rate of 4 percent, a maximum term of 30 years, and are restricted to small businesses without the financial ability to offset the adverse impact without hardship," Judd said.

By law, SBA makes EIDL's available when the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture designates an agricultural disaster. Secretary Mike Johanns declared this disaster at the request of Gov. Rick Perry.

Businesses primarily engaged in farming or ranching are ineligible for SBA Disaster assistance. Agricultural enterprises should contact the Farm Services Agency (FSA) about the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) assistance made available by the Secretary's declaration. However, in drought disasters nurseries are eligible for SBA disaster assistance.

Information and applications forms may be obtained by calling toll-free (800) 659-2955, or visiting the SBA website at www.sba.gov/disaster. Hearing impaired individuals may call (800) 877-8339. Mail completed applications to the U.S. Small Business Administration at 14925 Kingsport Road, Ft. Worth, TX 76155.

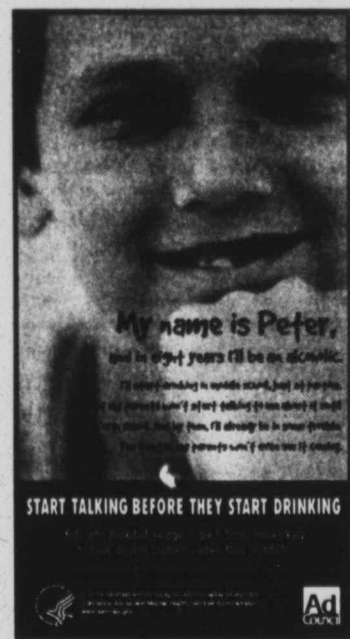
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SPC Hosts Annual Big Band Dance

The 16th annual Big Band Dance will be held Saturday, April 29 from 7:00 to 10:00 pm in the South Plains College Sundown Room in the Student Activities Building on the Levelland campus. Admission is \$6 per person and light refreshments will be served.

The music will be provided by the South Plains Dance Orchestra under the direction of Jon Johnson, SPC chairperson of the fine arts department. The orchestra will also be accompanied by the SPC Jazz Band. The 18-piece orchestra will perform music from the 1940's and 50's.

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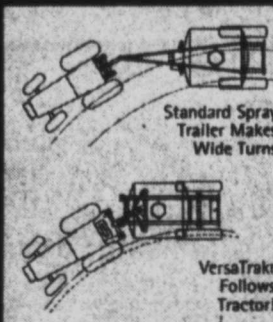
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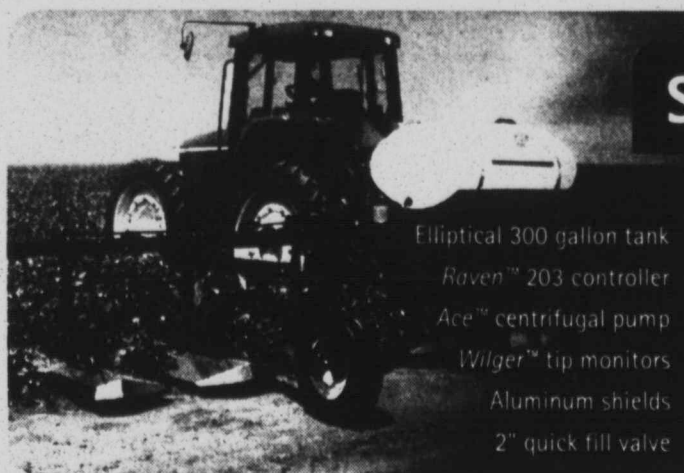


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Durham To Graduate

A graduation reception and Senior Art Display for Kayla Michelle Durham, daughter of Larry and Karon Durham, will be held May 4, 2006, in the parlor of the Southcrest Baptist Church from 6:00-8:00 P.M., and your presence would be appreciated.

We would like to thank everyone for their continued love and support of Kayla during her three years at Lubbock Christian University.

Kindergarten Pre-Registration

Kindergarten pre-registration will be on Thursday, April 27, at 2:30 in the New Home School Cafeteria. You may bring your future kindergartener along for milk and cookies, and a tour of the classroom. Bring your child's Social Security Card, original birth certificate and updated shot-records. Mrs. Laws is the Kindergarten teacher.

School Calendar

- May 2- Baseball Game at Smyer-5p.m.
- May 4- FFA Banquet at 6:30 p.m.
- May 5- Baseball game at Seagraves at 5:00

State Sales Tax Collections Increase

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn announced that the state received \$1.36 billion in sales tax revenue in March, a 13.2 percent increase compared to March 2005.

Local sales tax revenues also continue to grow. Strayhorn sent \$368.2 million in April sales tax allocations to cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts, an 18.2 percent increase compared to April 2005. So far this calendar year, sales tax allocations to local governments are up 17 percent.

Comptroller Strayhorn sent April sales tax allocations of \$249.3 million to Texas cities, up 17.8 percent compared to April 2005. Calendar year-to-date, city sales tax allocations are running 15.5 percent higher than last year. Texas counties received sales tax payments of \$22.3 million, up 19.2 percent compared to one year ago. Calendar year-to-date, county sales tax allocations are 18.1 percent higher than last year.

Another \$10.7 million went to 108 special purpose taxing districts around the state, up 22.5 percent compared to last April. Ten local transit systems received \$85.7 million in sales tax rebates.

For details of April sales tax payments to individual cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose districts, locate the *Monthly Sales and Use Tax Allocation Comparison Summary Reports* on the Comptroller's Web site at www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/alloscum/compsum.html.

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TO ANY SHERIFF OR CONSTABLE OF ANY COUNTY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, GREETINGS:

On the 12th day of December, 2005, in the Honorable 106th District Court of Lynn County, Texas in Cause No. 05-09-06305 and as styled above, LEROY NETTLES recovered a judgment against OLIVIA BARRON by virtue of a Deed of Trust recorded in Volume 347, Page 860 in the official public records of Lynn County.

Said judgment is for the sum of \$6,000.00 principal and interest, \$520.00 interest on the principal amount to the date of judgment, \$2,150.50 attorney's fees, \$2,745.98 unpaid taxes, costs of court and interest at the rate of 10 percent per annum on the total judgment from the date of judgment until paid and also the cost of executing this order of sale. Said judgment accordingly directs the foreclosure of the liens against the property by reason of the default of the Promissory Note securing the Deed of Trust. Said lien now exists against the property hereinafter described, the same lying and being situated in the County of Lynn and the State of Texas, to wit:

A 5.21 acre tract of land out of the SW 1/4 of Sec. 166, Blk. 12, E.L. & R.R.R.R. Co. Survey, Abstract 817, Lynn County, Texas, more fully described by metes and bounds as follows:

BEGINNING at the Southwest (SW) corner of this tract, in the South line of Section 166, N. 89° 56' 25" E., a distance of 1016.45 feet from the SW corner of Section 166, and S. 0°07'00" E, a distance of 5265.63 feet from a 1/2" IR found for the NW corner of Section 166;

THENCE N. 12°09'35" feet pass a 1/2" IR set for reference in the North line of County Road 6, in all a total distance of 1374.36 feet to a 1/2" IR set for the NW corner of this tract;

THENCE S. 0°03'35" E., at 1283.22 feet pass a 1/2" IR set for reference in the North line of County Road 6, in all a total distance of 1343.22 feet to the SE corner of this tract;

THENCE S. 89° 56' 25" W. along the South line of Section 166, a distance of 314.58 feet to the PLACE OF BEGINNING.

THEREFORE, you are hereby commanded to seize, levy upon, and advertise the sale as under execution, said tract of land, and sell the same to the highest bidder for cash as under execution. None of said property shall be sold to the owner of said property, directly or indirectly, or to anyone having an interest therein, or to any other party, for less than the aggregate amount of the judgment against the property, including all costs of suit and sale.

The officer executing the Order of Sale shall make proper conveyance to the purchaser of said land by virtue of said sale, upon compliance with the terms of said sale within the time and in the manner provided for by law.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, UNDER PENALTY OF THE LAW, AND DUE RETURN MAKE OF THIS WRIT, WITHIN ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY (180) DAYS FROM THE DATE HEREOF, WITH YOUR ENDORSEMENT THEREON, SHOWING HOW YOU HAVE EXECUTED THE SAME.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Tahoka in County of Lynn, State of Texas.

This 4th day of April, 2006.
ATTEST: Sandra Laws, Clerk
District Court of Lynn County, Texas.
Jerry D. Franklin, Sheriff
By A. Vega, Deputy

15-3tc



Ready to mow ... Tahoka NHS students Juan Hernandez and Samantha Andrews may take turns with the lawn mower, as the students volunteered to help clean up at a home at 1917 N. 1st in Tahoka for the group's annual Make A Difference Day project.

April Is Child Abuse Prevention Month

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month, a time to focus on the protection and care of our most vulnerable and trusting resources — our children. Governor Perry has proclaimed April Child Abuse Prevention Month in Texas.

Child Abuse Prevention Month has been observed each April since its first presidential proclamation in 1983. Since that time, individuals and organizations have joined during April to raise the public's awareness of child abuse and its prevention.

Nearly 200,000 Texas children are reported as abused or neglected every year, according to Child Protective Services, a division of the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services. April is child abuse prevention month in Texas and in the nation.

"It's a time to focus on ways not only to protect children but also to prevent abuse from ever occurring," said Wendell Teltow, Executive Director for Prevent Child Abuse Texas. "This is our opportunity to make a difference in young lives."

Neglect is the most frequent form of child abuse, according to the state agency charged with protecting children.

"Yes, children die simply because they're put in situations where they are not supervised," said Teltow. "But parents are not alone. We need to raise the

public's awareness of these distressing statistics," says Teltow, "and to encourage people to become involved in the prevention of child abuse. One small, but public way of showing your support, is wearing a blue ribbon during April. Remember, children are helpless, you are not."

According to Prevent Child Abuse America forty-three percent of American parents report spanking or hitting their child, 37 percent report insulting or swearing at their child, and two percent report having kicked, bit or punched their child. More than 3 million children were reported to child protective service agencies as alleged victims of child abuse or neglect each year, and approximately 1 million of these reports are confirmed.

Prevent Child Abuse Texas is a statewide nonprofit organization dedicated to the prevention of child abuse and neglect in all its forms. Its network works in a collaborative manner with community, state, and national groups to turn information into action by developing sound child and family oriented community-based prevention programs, public awareness activities, educational initiatives, and training programs. For more information, please call 1-800-CHILDREN or visit www.preventchildabusetexas.org

PUBLIC NOTICE

TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

City of Wilson shall conduct a public hearing at 5:00 p.m. on May 2, 2006 at the Wilson City Hall, 1601 10th Street, Wilson, Texas to review the performance and obtain comments on its Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) 2004 Program Year Contract 725829. The City encourages citizens to participate in the review of its TCDP project and to make their views known at this public hearing. Persons with disabilities wishing to attend this meeting should contact the Mayor's office at (806) 628-6221 to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact the Mayor's Office at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

17-1tc

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Pursuant to Chapter 59 of the Texas Property Code, HIGGINBOTHAM BARTLETT CO., located at 1712 AVE. H, TAHOKA, TEXAS, will hold a public sale of property that is being sold to satisfy a contractual landlord's lien. Property will be sold to the highest bidder by oral bids for cash above a minimum. Seller reserves the right to refuse any bid and to withdraw any property from the sale. All sales are "as is where is" and all sales are final. Property is to be immediately removed.

SALE AT 1:00 P.M., SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2006 AT HIGGINBOTHAM BARTLETT STORAGE UNIT #14, LOCATED ON THE NORTHWEST CORNER ACROSS FROM TOWN & COUNTRY.

Property being sold includes contents of the following spaces of the following tenants:

SPACE #14, CHRISTOPHER TERRY, CONTAINING HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND BOXES.

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16-2tc

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION
(AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)

To the Registered Voters of the City of Tahoka, Texas:
(A los votantes registrados del City of Tahoka, Texas.)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 13, 2006, for voting in a general election to elect three (3) Councilmembers.

(Notifique, por las presente, que las casillas electorales citados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 13 de Mayo de 2006 para votar en la Eleccion General para elegir tres (3) councilmembers.)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES:
(DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

Life Enrichment Center, 1717 Main Street, Tahoka, Texas

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at (La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en) Susan Tipton, Lynn County Clerk, Lynn County Courthouse, Tahoka, Texas, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on May 1, 2006 (entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 5:30 de la tarde empezando el 1 de Mayo, 2006) and ending on May 9, 2006. (y terminando en 9 de Mayo, 2006.)

Additional early voting will be held at the same location as follows: (La votación en adelantada además se llevará a cabo en el mismo sitio de tal manera:) May 2, 2006 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.; and May 4, 2006 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a:)

Susan Tipton, P.O. Box 937, Tahoka, Texas 79373.

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on May 13, 2006. (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el 13 de Mayo, 2006.)

Issued this the 24th day of April, 2006.
(Emitada este día 24 de Abril, 2006.)

/s/ Mike Mensch, Presiding Officer (Oficial que Preside)
17-1tc

BID NOTICE

Lynn County Commissioners Court is requesting bids on the following communications equipment and upgrades:

1. VHF Project 25 Repeater System
2. Site Survey
3. Enhanced Grounding
4. FCC License Application
5. Programming of Compatible First Responder Radio Units
6. VHF Control Station
7. 4 car radios and 1 portable radio

All bids to be submitted by noon on Friday, April 28, 2006 to County Judge H.G. Franklin who will award on same day. Additional information on specifications are available in the Lynn County Judge's Office. 17-1tc

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION
(AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)

To the Registered Voters of Tahoka I.S.D., Texas:
(A los votantes registrados del Tahoka I.S.D., Texas.)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 13, 2006, for voting in a general election to elect two (2) At-Large School Trustees.

(Notifique, por las presente, que las casillas electorales citados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 13 de Mayo de 2006 para votar en la Eleccion General para elegir Administrador En-Grande Del Tablero De la Escuela Dos.)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES:
(DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

Life Enrichment Center, 1717 Main Street, Tahoka, Texas
Centro Del Enriquecimiento De la Vida, Calle de 1717 Camerias, Tahoka, Texas.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at (La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en) Susan Tipton, Lynn County Clerk, Lynn County Courthouse, Courthouse Square, Tahoka, Texas, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on May 1, 2006 (entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 5:30 de la tarde empezando el 1 de Mayo, 2006) and ending on May 9, 2006. (y terminando en 9 de Mayo, 2006.)

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Issued this the 9th day of February, 2006.
(Emitada este día 9 de Febrero, 2006.)

/s/ Math Bartley, Presiding Officer (Oficial que Preside)
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Lyntegar Electric Cooperative, Inc. will be conducting a sealed bid auction on seven (7) vehicles.

Vehicle	Mileage
Unit #18 - 1992 Chevy 3/4 ton 4x4 P.U.	192,025
Unit #45 - 1993 Chevy 1/2 ton 4x4 P.U.	305,960
Unit #54 - 1992 Chevy 3/4 ton 4x4 P.U.	200,710
Unit #56 - 1982 Chevy Impala 4-door	66,360
Unit #61 - 1991 Buick LeSabre 4-door	109,125
Unit #83 - 1986 Pontiac Parisienne 4-door	106,355
Unit #85 - 1990 Chevy Lumina 4-door	111,435

Bids will be accepted until 5:00 p.m., May 4, 2006. Bids will be opened May 5, 2006 and highest bidders will be notified.

Each vehicle bid must be in a separate envelope with the unit number on the outside. One vehicle bid per envelope.

Payments must be cash, check, cashier's check or money order.

The vehicles may be viewed between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday at the Lyntegar warehouse, So. 1st Street and Avenue E, Tahoka, Texas.

All vehicles will be sold "as is" with no warranties or guarantees.

Lyntegar Electric Cooperative, Inc. reserves the right to refuse any and/or all bids.

Bids can be turned in at the Cooperative warehouse or mailed to:
Lyntegar E.C.
Attn: Glenn Anderson
P.O. Box 970
Tahoka, TX 79373

16-2tc