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No Fireworks In Tahoka

Tahoka City Fire Marshal Jerry Ford reminds Tahoka residents that fireworks of any kind are banned inside the city limits of Tahoka, and that fines will be imposed on those who violate the city code.

"With the extremely dry conditions here, we are enforcing a zero tolerance of fireworks inside the city limits," said Ford. "Law enforcement officers will be enforcing this code, and violators can expect to pay fines for setting off fireworks - that includes firecrackers, sparklers, any type of fireworks at all. It is just too dry to take any chances of igniting a fire that can quickly spread out of control," he added.

Dry conditions are also prevalent throughout the rural areas of the county and fire danger should be considered at a high level.

Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
June 14	99	70	
June 15	101	73	
June 16	100	74	
June 17	96	67	
June 18	98	67	
June 19	99	69	
June 20	98	69	
Total Precipitation June:			0.02"
Total Precipitation May:			2.27"
Total Precipitation April:			1.01"
Total Precipitation Mar.:			1.36"
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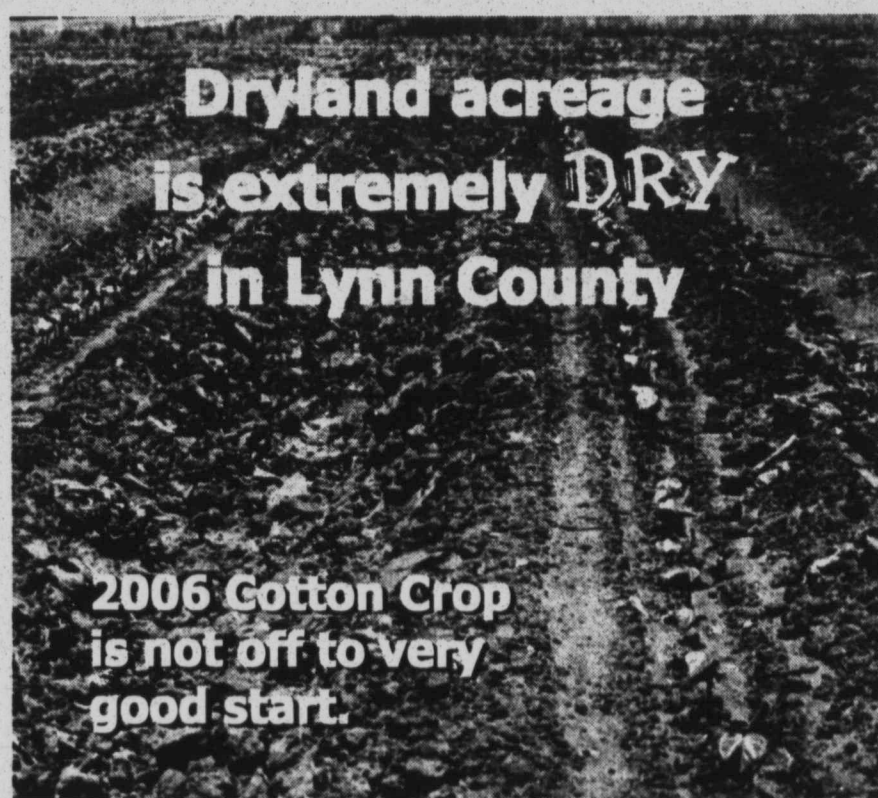
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Dryland acreage is extremely DRY in Lynn County

2006 Cotton Crop is not off to very good start.

Lynn is #1 Dryland Cotton Producing County In the United States - Again!

... But Don't Ask For a Third Time Around This Year

by BRYAN REYNOLDS
 CEA Lynn County, Agriculture

After coming off of two consecutive years of record-breaking cotton production, Lynn County growers knew that asking for three in a row was probably a little too much to ask for. Sure enough the 2006 crop is off to a terrible start and the chances of it getting better do not look good.

"Right now, there are about 300,000 acres of cotton planted in Lynn County. About 230,000 of that is dryland and it doesn't look good for growers," says Bryan Reynolds, Lynn County Extension Agent. "Less than 50% of the dryland crop is up and those remaining acres that are up are suffering severely from the continued hot, dry conditions. Many fields have marginal stands where some cotton came up in the low spots or on the ends of rows when we saw the isolated rain events in May," he added.

The irrigated crop is a mixed bag with some fields squaring and doing fairly well while others are struggling

pound yield per acre.

Lynn County's total cotton production in 2005 was 429,000 bales on 292,900 acres. In the previous year, the county's 2004 total cotton production was 354,500 bales on 285,400 acres. The 2004-05 cotton crops may have set a benchmark for Lynn County cotton production, and expectations for the 2006 crop are looking as if it will fall far short of that mark.

"We knew 2004 was good and no one could imagine 2005 being better until last fall when we saw that crop finish out at a phenomenal pace," said Reynolds. "2006 looks like it may go down in the record books as well... just not on the side that we had hoped for."

On a larger scale, the 41-county Texas High Plains cotton production area produced 5.626 million bales of cotton in 2005, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service (see chart on page 4 inside for individual county totals). High Plains cotton accounts for 66 percent of the state's 2005 Upland Cotton production

For the second consecutive year, Lynn County was the number one dryland producing county of upland cotton in 2005 in the United States. 291,000 bales of cotton were produced on 218,900 acres of dryland growing conditions, which yielded 638 pounds per acre.

to stay alive as the systems simply cannot apply water fast enough to keep up with water demand. The northern parts of the county received the most moisture during May and probably had the best start but hail storms at the end of May destroyed a large number of acres. Producers were forced to go back and replant those fields and they continue to lag behind in development for irrigated cotton.

While heat units are accumulating at a rapid pace, with 702 heat units being received from May 10 through June 9, which is over a 100 more than last year, the hot dry conditions have put the biggest part of this year's dryland crop out of reach for many growers. June 10 was the planting deadline for crop insurance coverage and adjusters will begin adjusting those fields next week, and the county agent predicts many will be zeroed out.

On a brighter note, for the second consecutive year, Lynn County was the number one dryland producing county of upland cotton in 2005 in the United States. 291,000 bales of cotton were produced on 218,900 acres of dryland growing conditions, which yielded 638 pounds per acre. 2004 saw 208,700 acres produce 227,500 bales for a dryland yield of 523 pounds per acre. Total irrigated production in 2005 was 138,000 bales on 74,000 acres for 895

total and 24 percent of a U.S. crop that totaled 23.259 million bales.

The 2005-crop's Top Ten cotton producing counties (dryland/irrigated acres) in the High Plains region (reported in 480-lb bales) were:

- Hale - 513,000
- Lubbock - 467,000
- Gaines - 461,000
- Lynn - 429,000
- Terry - 409,000
- Dawson - 400,000
- Hockley - 381,300
- Lamb - 312,000
- Crosby - 296,000
- Floyd - 230,000

Acreage-wise, the High Plains planted 3.72 million acres of cotton in 2005 and harvested 3.43 million acres, a difference of 284,200 acres. This calculates to a low 7.6 percent abandonment total for the year.

Acreage abandonment totals could look significantly different for the 2006 crop unless the situation facing producers in the field changes dramatically in upcoming days. Hot, dry temperatures, and a general absence of rainfall, have put a large portion of the High Plains area's cotton acreage on the brink of disaster.

When the dust settles, area cotton producers' expectations may well be plummeting from the two-year record producing highs of 2004 and 2005.

Three Elementary Teachers Hired At Tahoka ISD

Tahoka Independent School District Board of Trustees met in regular session last Tuesday night, June 13, approving contracts for three new elementary teachers and adjusting teacher salaries to reflect state raises, as well as other routine business.

Elementary teachers hired included Miranda Stice, who will teach pre-kindergarten classes, and two fifth grade teachers, Mixie Conner and Jerria Peacock.

Superintendent Jimmy Parker announced the resignations of two staff members, fifth grade teacher Laura Flores, and Liz Bray, a teaching assistant at the elementary campus.

Trustees approved raising teachers' salaries by \$2,000 to reflect the state raise of salaries throughout Texas. Additionally, trustees approved a \$2,000 increase in salary for three administrative positions in the district, including the Athletic Director, High School Principal, and the Elementary Assistant Principal. The district's At-Will salary schedule was also adjusted, with a \$2,000 increase to the Director

of Transportation, and \$1500 increases to the Cafeteria Manager, the Technology Director, and the Payroll Clerk.

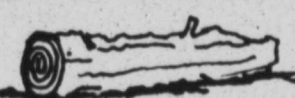
Consideration of a middle school principal and school diagnostician were listed on the agenda, but no selections were made. Supt. Parker told *The News* that applications for the two positions were still under consideration and may be addressed at a later meeting.

A change was approved to Local Policy EIC (Academic Achievement: Class Ranking) to include ranking points for students who take dual credit classes (for high school and college credit).

Business Manager Daniel Harper was authorized to oversee the district's investments in the Lone Star Investment Pool, and monthly bills were approved.

Present at the meeting were six of seven trustees, including Board President Math Bartley, Joe Calvillo, Carmen Chapa, Jimmy Dorman, Valton Stephens, and Frank McLelland. Trustee Kent Kahl was absent.

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I'M HAVING some difficulty coming up with amusing things this week because I am being assailed from all sides with gloom and doom predictions, including volcanoes and bird flu.

A TV special hosted by Matt Lauer last week warned that sooner or later there will be gigantic massive volcanic eruptions which eventually will kill millions of people, burying everything within a radius of 1,000 miles in 100 feet of ash, causing buildings to collapse and eventually causing such widespread disruptions that life on the entire planet will be threatened.

Scientists, the special said, know of several such potential super-eruption sites, including Yellowstone National Park in the U.S. They don't know any way to prevent the eruptions, but are trying to figure out how to deal with it.

The same thing is true of the bird flu pandemic. It is coming, maybe within six months, to the U.S., and there can be no vaccine developed until after people start dying. Some Lynn County EMS ambulance personnel have been advised by Lubbock medical authorities that when the bird flu starts affecting humans in this area, possibly within six months from now, an estimated 20,000 people will die in Lubbock and the surrounding area. Schools will be closed as soon as one case is found, all sorts of businesses will close because so many people will be sick or dying at once, funeral homes will not be able to handle the tremendous number of bodies, and other dire predictions, which hopefully will be wrong.

The U.S. government has two websites to give information on what could happen. They are PandemicFlu.gov and AvianFlu.gov.

The point is, apparently there is nothing that Charlie and Agnes Citizen living in Lynn County can do about any of this, except maybe stock up on food and water and avoid contact with other people whenever the bird flu hits. Not a lot of preparations can be made, so we'll just have to wing it, so to speak.

Bird flu apparently comes from chickens more than any other kind of fowl. Not from eating chicken, but being around the diseased ones.

Maybe the volcanoes will erupt and kill all the diseased birds. In the meantime, I guess the best thing for all of us to do is to try to live right and treat each other well, which we ought to be doing anyway.

MAD DOGS, Englishmen and golfers with their brains already fried go out in the noonday sun. I participated in a golf tournament last week during two days of 100-plus temperatures. My score was about the same as the temperature. It was too hot for golf (or anything else outdoors).

At one point I thought about the saying "Mad dogs and Englishmen go out in the midday sun" and wondered about its origin. Google attributes the quote to Noel Coward, British playwright, actor and composer, and gives the quote as follows:

In Bengal to move at all is seldom, if ever, done.

But mad dogs and Englishmen go out in the midday sun.

I guess you could substitute "in Lynn County in the summer" for Bengal, but it would mess up the rhythm of the quotation.



Football camp ... Tahoka High School Assistant Football Coach Don Hilger demonstrates football techniques to youth at the Bulldog Athletic Camp held this week. Youth shown are, from left, Braden Fisher, Jamie Bingham, Andy Hinds and Kyle Reno.

(LCN PHOTOS by Pam Elrod)

Obituaries

Jack Martin Morris

Jack Martin Morris, infant son of Nathan and Gayle Morris of New Home, passed from this life on Saturday, June 17, 2006 in Lubbock, Texas. Private graveside service will be held at Green Memorial Park in Wilson, Texas.

Memorials may be sent to the Children's Miracle Network %UMC, 602 Indiana Ave., Lubbock, Texas 79415.

Arrangements are under the personal care of White Funeral Home. To register or send condolences online, please visit www.whitefuneralhome.com.

Oleta (Wyche) Barnes

Oleta Wyche Barnes, formerly of Borden County, died in Colorado Springs, CO on May 29, 2006.

She was born and grew up in Borden County. She married Floyd Barnes in 1942. As Floyd made the military his career, being in the Air Force, they lived in many different places, including Germany and Alaska. They retired in Pueblo, CO. After Floyd died, she remained in Pueblo until her health forced her to move near her son in Colorado Springs, CO.

Survivors include four daughters, one son, a number of grandchildren, and great grandchildren. She was a sister-in-law to Fern Barnes of Draw.

Jewell Marie Hill

Services for Jewell Marie Hill, 94, of Brady, formerly of Lohn and Tahoka, were held Friday, June 16, 2006 at 10 a.m. in the Heritage Funeral Home Chapel. Interment followed in Marion Cemetery. She died June 14, 2006 in Brady.

She was born October 8, 1911 in Poultry, TX to Homer and Allie Jane (Wise) Hornsby. She married Hollis Hill on April 23, 1929 in Ladonia. He preceded her in death on April 8, 1986.

She was an upholstery seamstress and a member of the Lohn Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, five brothers, one sister and one grandson.

Survivors include one son, Paul Gene Hill of Lake Brownwood, one daughter, Polly Frost of Lohn, five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to Lohn Baptist Church.



MRS. REED FILLEY (nee REBEKAH GAY CURRY)

Curry-Filley Vows Exchanged In June 10 Ceremony Here

Rebekah Gay Curry and Reed Anthony Filley were united in marriage in a double-ring ceremony Saturday, June 10, 2006 at 2:00 p.m., at the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Richard Harbison of Tahoka, officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Dr. Zane D. and Mrs. Danna J. Curry, and granddaughter of Dan and Ouida Turner, and Jackie Turner, all of O'Donnell.

The groom is the son of Archie and Connie Filley of Custer, South Dakota and the late Diane Kay Filley, and the grandson of Lily Filley of Moorhead, Minnesota, and Verne Chandler of Mesa, Arizona.

Escorted by her father, the bride wore an exclusive collection design gown by Oleg Cassini, an A-lined white satin fashioned with a strapless neckline, fitted waist and an apron back with organza inset embellished with metallic gold embroidery, pearls, and sequins. The train was of chapel length and the bodice was trimmed with metallic gold embroidery, pearls and sequins that flowed from top to waist. The bride wore a tiara of silver, with a collection of rhinestones and pearls with a two-tier veil scattered with rhinestones.

Serving as Matron of Honor was Rachel Lehman, sister of the bride, of Tahoka. Bridesmaids were Lisa Vasbinder of Houston, Erica Curry, sister-in-law of the bride of Lubbock, and Kaitlyn Lehman, niece of the bride, of Tahoka.

Chad Filley, of Cambridge, MN, brother of the groom, served as Best Man. Groomsman were Shane Webber of Fargo N.D.,

Ryan Curry, brother of the bride, of Lubbock, and Jerod Tufte of Dawson, N.D. Ushers were Bruce Lehman, brother-in-law of the bride, of Tahoka, and Bryan Bandli, cousin of the groom, of Duluth, Georgia.

Candle lighters were Curry Lehman, nephew of the bride, of Tahoka, and Trenton Filley, nephew of the groom of Cambridge, MN. Violinist was Corey Green of Tahoka, and Donna Stone was organist.

A reception followed the ceremony in the fellowship hall at First Baptist Church.

The couple will reside in El Paso after honeymooning in Cancun, Mexico. The bride is an associate attorney with Bramblett and Associates of El Paso. She is a 1999 graduate of Tahoka High School, and a graduate of Texas Tech University and Texas Tech University School of Law. The groom is a solo-practicing attorney in El Paso. He graduated from West Fargo High School, North Dakota State University and Texas Tech School of Law.

Courtesies

A bridal shower was given in the home of Karen Huffaker on April 1. A lingerie shower was given by Rachel Lehman, sister of the bride in her home on June 9.

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STORK REPORT

Angelina Segovia and Ray Curtis, both of Tahoka announce the birth of a son, Tristen Jabron Curtis, born June 7, 2006 at 8:58 a.m. at Lubbock UMC, weighing 6 lbs. and 9 ozs. and measuring 20-1/2 inches long.

Grandparents are Waldo and Melissa Segovia and Ray and Marcara Curtis, all of Tahoka. Great-grandparents are Chon and Fidela Rodriguez and Geneva Segovia, all of Dilley, Felipe Sastre of Tahoka, and R.C. Curtis of Post.

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You've heard of Medicare Advantage Plans, but to whose advantage is it really?

There have been some Medicare Advantage Plans that have come into our community selling their wares to many senior citizens and yet have been less than forthcoming about what the plans actually entail.

As a result, Medicare beneficiaries have been surprised to discover that their coverage is limited and they may have substantial out-of-pocket expenses.

As a service to our community, LCHD is informing you that the ONLY Medicare Advantage Plan that it has contracted with is FirstCare. LCHD DOES NOT accept Pacificare/SecureHorizons.

Please review your Medicare, Medicare Advantage Plan and your supplemental insurance policies to ensure that your coverage is best suited for you and your local health provider.

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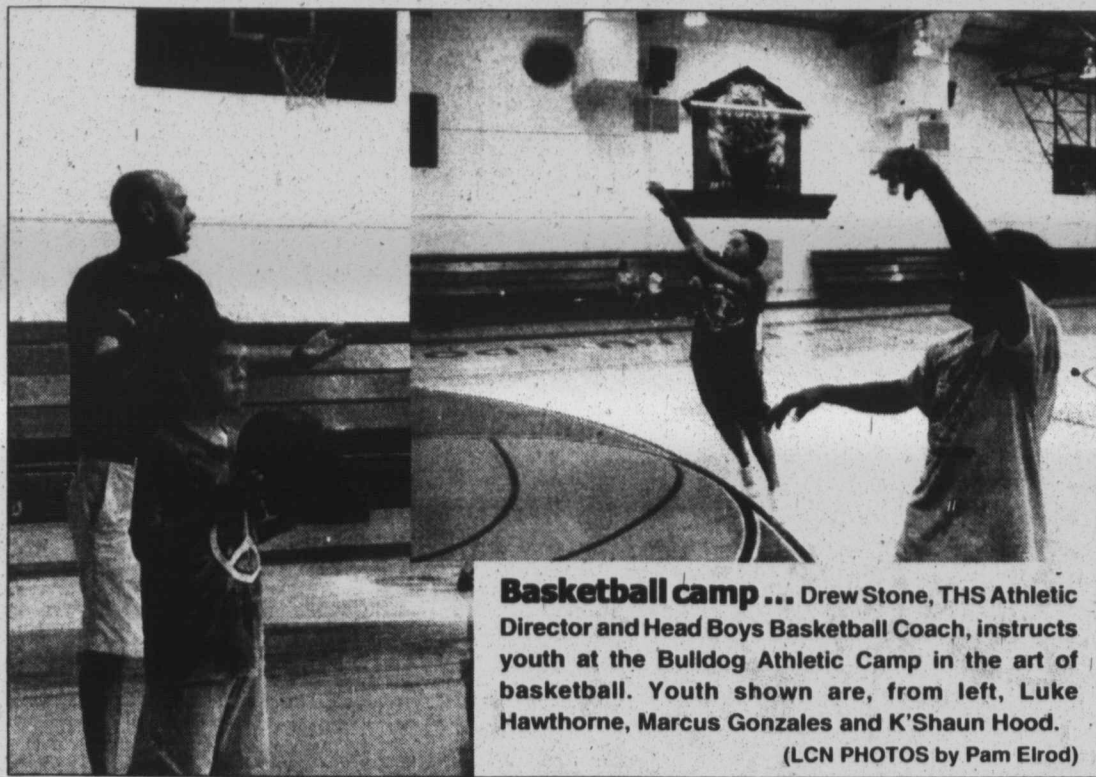
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Basketball camp ... Drew Stone, THS Athletic Director and Head Boys Basketball Coach, instructs youth at the Bulldog Athletic Camp in the art of basketball. Youth shown are, from left, Luke Hawthorne, Marcus Gonzales and K'Shaun Hood. (LCN PHOTOS by Pam Elrod)

Area Children Invited:

Summer Reading Program Set For July At City-County Library

Personnel at the City-County Library in Tahoka are gearing up for the library's annual Summer Reading Program to be held from 10:00 a.m. to noon each Monday in July. The theme for this year's program is "Reading...Sport of Champions."

"The program has expanded this year from one hour to two so that we can get in more activities," said Claudia Guin, Library Director. "We will have reading, crafts and prizes as usual, and we will be adding games, speakers and demonstrations, and refreshments."

Children from toddler to sixth grade are invited to attend; however, anyone under five years old must be accompanied by an adult. After the children have been registered and greeted by the program coordinators, they will be broken into groups according to age and rotated through the various activities.

Each child will be given a bag on their first visit and should

bring the bag with them each subsequent visit. Goodies will be added to the bag each week and the children may use it to carry home the books they've checked out.

Any child who wishes to participate in the program may do so, but only children with valid library cards will be allowed to check out books. If a child needs a library card, a parent or guardian must fill out an application for each child and they will immediately become a library patron. Any child that already has a library card but owes in excess of \$10 in fines or has materials that have been overdue for more than a month will not be allowed to check out books.

The tentative agenda for the program is as follows:
Monday, July 3: Reading Makes Winners — Featuring books that have won awards such as the Caldecott Medal, the Newberry Medal, the Theodor

Seuss Geisel Award and the Coretta Scott King Award;

Monday, July 10: International Fun — Books about sports that are part of the Olympic Games;

Monday, July 17: Spring & Summer Sports — showcasing sports like baseball, track, softball, swimming, golf, fishing, tennis, and many more;

Monday, July 24: Fall & Winter Sports Favorites like football, basketball, soccer, hockey, skiing, ice skating will be featured;

Monday, July 31: Extreme Sports — Emphasis will be on exciting sports such as motocross, car racing, skateboarding, surfing, rodeo and karate.

For more information or to volunteer as a helper for the program, please call the library at 806-561-4050. The library is open Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m. (closed 12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m. for lunch); Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.; and Fridays and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

O'Donnell ISD Board To Meet

The O'Donnell Independent School District Board of Trustees will meet at 7 p.m. tonight (Thursday) in the OISD Board Room. Included on the agenda is consideration of hiring a secondary principal, salary schedules for administrative personnel and auxiliary personnel, transfer requests, school dress code, adoption of district policy DEE (local), and any personnel considerations.

Trustees will also consider a resolution recognizing teacher Sarah Edwards, and are expected to name a district representative to the Education Service Center Regional Advisory Committee.

Superintendent Rodney Schneider will discuss the district's financial report, enrollment figures, extra-curricular activities, budget considerations, and board training opportunities. Reports on construction and maintenance projects will be given.

Prior to the regular business of the meeting, trustees will hear a presentation by secondary science students, and will present a Celebration of Excellence award to Billy Edwards and the Maintenance Department.

School board meetings are open to the public.

Applications For Family Farm And Ranch Program Due Sept. 15

Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs reminded families who are applying for the Family Land Heritage Program that applications are due to the Texas Department of Agriculture by Friday, Sept. 15.

The Family Land Heritage Program recognizes farms and ranches that have been kept in continuous agricultural production by the same family for 100, 150 and 200 years or more. Since the program started in 1974, more than 4,120 farms and ranches in 229 counties have been honored.

"This unique program honors the agricultural contributions of countless generations of Texans," said Combs. "These men and women who have held onto their ancestors' land over the decades, enduring some challenging times."

Applications are now being accepted for farms or ranches established in 1906 and earlier that are still owned and operated by the decedents of the founder, either through blood, marriage or adoption. The land must also fit the old U.S. Census definition of a farm: 10 acres or more with agricultural sales of \$50 or more a year; or if less than 10 acres, sales of at least \$250 a year.

The owners must reside in Texas and be actively managing the everyday operation of the farm or ranch. If all the land has ever rented or leased to someone outside of the family, it will not qualify. If only a portion was leased, and as much as 10 acres were retained in the family for agricultural production with sales of at least \$50 annually, the property will still qualify. There is no cost to apply for the recognition.

For an application or more information, contact Melissa Blair, (512) 463-2631, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, TX 78711, or the application is on TDA's web site at www.agr.state.tx.us under the "Producer Information" section and they can be obtained from the county judge's office.



Longtime Red Raider Supporter ... Gerald Huffaker (seated) of Tahoka is a longtime supporter of the Texas Tech Red Raiders, and Tech officials expressed their appreciation to him this week. Pictured standing left to right, Joe Hornaday, TTU Assistant Athletic Director, Bubba Jennings, Video Coordinator of men's basketball, and Corky Oglesby, Regional Development Director, present Huffaker autographed Texas Tech Basketballs, signed by men's coach Bob Knight, and new Lady Raider Coach Kristy Curry. Huffaker, who graduated from Texas Tech in 1963, has been a member of the Texas Tech Red Raider Club since 1968. (LCN PHOTO by Pam Elrod)

Criminal Mischief, Accidents Reported

Tahoka Police investigated two traffic accidents, neither with injuries and an incident of criminal mischief during the last week, and sheriff's officers recovered a vehicle stolen in Lubbock.

Both traffic accidents occurred Monday morning. About 9:30 a.m. on Ave. H near Harper St. a 1997 Saturn driven by Amy Renee Gutierrez, 18 of Tahoka and a 2003 Chevrolet Monte Carlo driven by James Ambrosio DeLeon, 18, of Tahoka collided. Just after 11 a.m. a 1996 Pontiac Grand Am driven by 12-year-old Wendy Arrellano of Tahoka struck a parked 1996 Ford van owned by Rodrigo Chavarria of Tahoka on a parking lot on Lockwood St.

Police also were investigating a report of damage totaling \$600 to a 2000 Pontiac Firebird owned by George Liendo Jr. of Tahoka early Sunday. Witnesses identified a suspect who they said returned to a location on S. 3rd St. after a fight earlier, and allegedly used a baseball bat to break out the back glass and drivers side tail lens on the car. Investigation was continuing.

Sheriff's officers discovered the 1999 Ford Explorer on a county road near FM 211 about five miles west of New Home. The vehicle, stolen in Lubbock June 12, had been burned and abandoned. It was turned over to

the Auto Theft Task Force of Lubbock, which already had a suspect in the case.

Eleven persons were added to the list of jail inmates during the last week. Two were arrested for Lubbock County, one for possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver and the other for possession of a prohibited substance in a correctional facility. Two others were jailed for public intoxication, and the rest were held on these charges: application to revoke probation on conviction for burglary of a habitation, assault with bodily injury/family violence, failure to report an accident plus disregarding stop sign, driving while license invalid, criminal nonsupport, reckless driving and minor driving under the influence of alcohol.

Total jail population as of early this week was 48, with six held for Lubbock, five for Gaines, two for Dawson and one for Garza County.

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rebate \$3500

discount \$1712

Sale Price \$18,495

Trade Assistance Savings* \$1500

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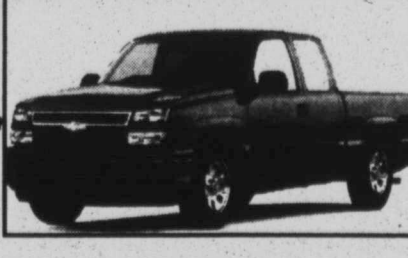
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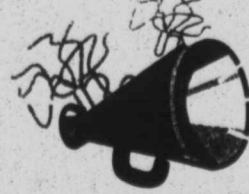
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Cheer Clinic

When: June 27-30 (Tuesday - Friday)
Time: 1:30- 3:00
Where: THS Gym
Age: 4-12 yrs. Old
Cost \$25.00



"Includes 4 days of cheer clinic, a t-shirt, and a picture" At 8:00 on Friday morning, we will be taking pictures. Then the girls need to come back at 5:00 that day to review for the pep rally at 5:30, that all parents are encouraged to attend!

Please fill out and turn in the form at the bottom and your money on the first day of clinic or to one of the cheerleaders.

Child's Name: _____ Age: _____
Parents Name: _____
Home Phone: _____ Emergency Phone: _____
Mailing Address: _____
Street Address: _____
T-shirt size: (please circle one)

Youth: Small Medium Large
Adult: Small Medium Large

Thank you and we hope to see you there!
Jeni Hammonds, Haley Hall, Jaci Hammonds, Amanda Trudove, David Hernandez, Bailey Hall, Samantha Pridmore, Cori Vega, and Nick House



The Cooks Are In ... Romero Resendez, Shiloh Braddock (new co-owner of PJ's), Mike Braddock and Kohl Angeley, prepare for the Fish Fry for the Grand Opening of PJ's. A crowd of 300 came and enjoyed a meal as well as entertainment Friday night. New owners of PJ's are Tammy Angeley and Shiloh Braddock, both of Tahoka. (LCN PHOTO by Pam Elrod)

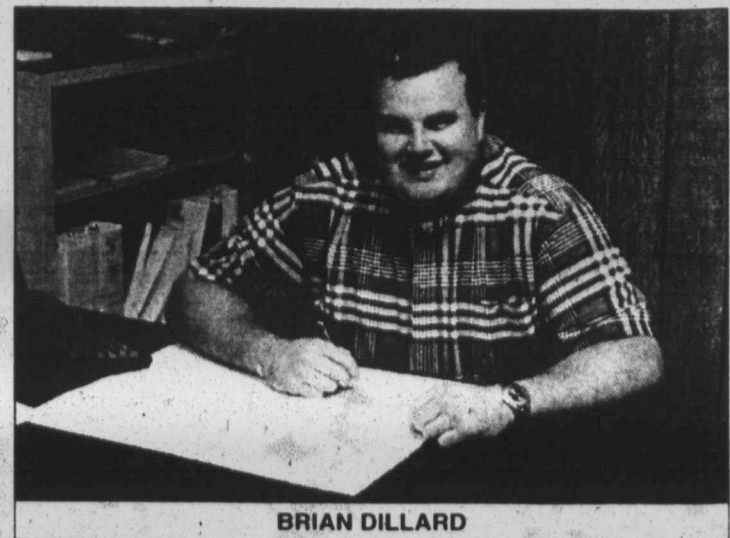
Booster Club Golf Tourney Is Saturday

The Tahoka Athletic Booster Club will host a four person scramble on Saturday, June 24, at T-Bar Country Club, with a 10 a.m. shotgun start. Entry fee for the golf tournament will be \$120 per team, and Mulligans are two for \$10.

First Place will receive \$500, Second Place, \$400, and \$300 for third place with a minimum of 12 teams playing. For a \$5 entry fee each event, and a pay back of fifty percent of the pot to the winner, the following contests will also be offered—closest long putt on number eight, longest drive on number four, and closest to pin on number three. Door prizes will be given as well.

Hamburgers and drinks will be provided and all proceeds from the tournament will go the Tahoka Athletic Booster Club.

To enter or for more information contact Cherry at T-Bar Country Club at 998-5305 or Cathy Ross at 561-5363.



BRIAN DILLARD

Brian Dillard Is New Employee At Local USDA-NRCS Office

Mario Avila, Resource Team Leader for the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service for Garza and Lynn Counties, has announced the new employment of Brian Dillard as GS-7 Agricultural Engineer who will be assigned to the Tahoka Field Office.

As an Agricultural Engineer, Dillard will provide assistance to field office personnel in developing engineering techniques and procedures and adapting them to the local conditions. Dillard will also assist landowners and operators with design, installation, checkout, and certification of engineering practices such as irrigation pipelines, center pivot and drip irrigation systems, irrigation

water management, drainage systems, and water erosion control structures (terraces and waterways).

Dillard was raised in southeastern Oklahoma where he graduated from Caney High School. He recently graduated from Oklahoma State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biosystems and Agricultural Engineering, along with a minor in Soil Science.

While attending school Brian interned three summers with the USDA-NRCS at Gainesville, Sulphur Springs, and Lubbock.

Dillard can be reached at 806-998-4507, ext. 110. The Tahoka Field Office is open 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Senior Citizens MENU

June 26-30

Monday: Baked chicken, mac and cheese, broccoli, biscuits, apple burrito

Tuesday: Pot roast, oven fried potatoes, carrots, rolls, cinnamon rolls

Wednesday: Turkey and dressing, sweet potatoes, green beans, cranberry sauce, rolls, apricot cobbler

Thursday: Beef burritos w/ trimmings, refried beans, flour tortillas, rice, sopapillas w/ honey

Friday: Sausage and cabbage, corn, cornbread, lemon bars

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Lynn County Farm Bureau

Texas High Plains 2005-crop Upland Cotton Production (All)

Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service

County	Planted Acres	Harvested Acres	Yield/Ha	Production (480# Bales)
Andrews	20,500	19,600	926	37,800
Armstrong	4,400	2,700	800	4,500
Bailey	86,100	76,400	704	112,000
Borden	28,600	28,200	611	35,900
Briscoe	35,800	26,800	736	41,100
Carson	41,900	40,000	817	68,100
Castro	74,700	68,000	1,091	154,600
Cochran	128,000	115,500	810	195,000
Crosby	219,000	201,100	707	296,000
Dallam	**	**	**	**
Dawson	293,000	291,700	658	400,000
Deaf Smith	40,500	27,300	1,007	57,300
Dickens	25,000	22,100	469	21,600
Floyd	193,500	136,900	806	230,000
Gaines	264,000	257,800	858	461,000
Garza	42,600	33,500	602	42,000
Hale	273,000	262,100	939	513,000
Hansford	4,400	4,300	1,049	9,400
Hartley	7,900	7,700	979	15,700
Hemphill	**	**	**	**
Hockley	257,000	229,100	798	381,000
Howard	113,500	111,500	533	123,700
Hutchinson	2,400	2,400	880	4,400
Lamb	200,300	163,500	916	312,000
Lipscomb	**	**	**	**
Lubbock	265,000	257,800	870	467,000
Lynn	303,000	292,900	703	429,000
Martin	148,500	147,600	582	179,000
Midland	27,900	27,500	497	28,500
Moore	26,800	26,400	1,038	57,100
Motley	24,800	24,200	464	23,400
Ochiltree	7,800	7,800	849	13,800
Oldham	**	**	**	**
Parmer	80,200	65,200	1,163	158,000
Potter	**	**	**	**
Randall	4,000	2,200	764	3,500
Roberts	1,300	1,300	849	2,300
Sherman	12,600	12,700	999	25,400
Swisher	86,000	71,000	818	121,000
Terry	250,000	246,000	798	193,000
Yoskum	127,000	126,900	730	193,000
1-N Combined Co.	1,100	700	960	1,400
41 County Total	3,722,100	3,437,900	786	5,626,100

** Zero production or Not Reported and included in 1-N Combined Counties

LADY BULLDOG BASKETBALL CAMP

June 26th through June 29th
For incoming 3rd-9th grade GIRLS only!
(This will NOT interfere with the Cheerleading Camp)

WHERE: THS Bulldog Gym
COST: \$40
TIME: 9 am-12 noon
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Pre-Register by sending in this form ...
to Coach Fancher or Carol Fancher at school or at 1828 N. 6th.
YOU MAY ALSO REGISTER ON THE FIRST DAY OF CAMP.

2006 LADY BULLDOG BASKETBALL CAMP FORM

Camper's Name: _____ Grade (in Fall of 2006) _____

Parent's Name(s): _____

Emergency Phone (during camp hours): _____ Home Phone: _____

Street Address: _____

City / State / Zip: _____

T-Shirt Size:
Youth: __YS__YM__YL or Adult: __AS__AM__AL__AXL

I hereby grant permission for my daughter to attend the Tahoka Lady Bulldog Basketball Camp. I acknowledge the camp rules and therefore expect my child to abide by these terms. Furthermore, I release the Tahoka Lady Bulldog Camp, Tahoka ISD, Camp Coaches, and all persons involved from any and all liability for personal injury arising out of my child's participation in the Tahoka Lady Bulldog Camp.

(Parent/Guardian Signature) _____

Make checks payable to Lady Bulldog Basketball Camp.
Return camp forms to Coach Fancher or Carol Fancher (Elementary or HS LRC).
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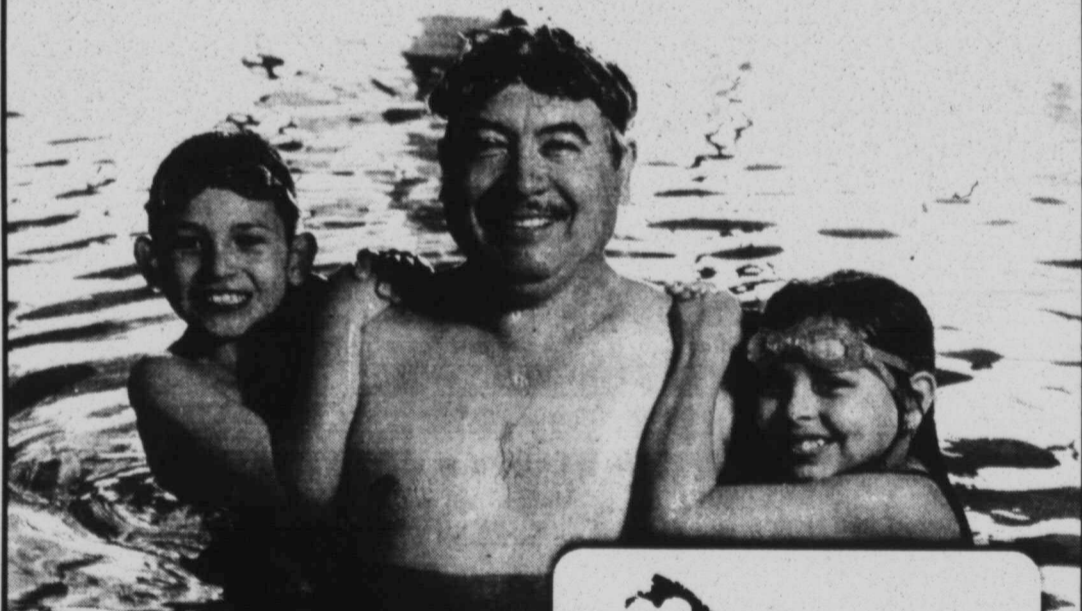
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Having fun at VBS ... Children have fun at the morning session of Vacation Bible School at First Baptist Church in Tahoka, which was held last week. The children met in a large group session before splitting up into small groups for various activities at the "The Arctic Edge: Where Courage Meets Adventure" held June 12-15 at FBC. (LCN PHOTOS by Pam Elrod)



Welcome to "Moose Lodge" at FBC ... Pastor Richard Harbison stands in front of "Moose Lodge" during Vacation Bible School, that was held June 12-15 at the First Baptist Church in Tahoka, telling children to "Be Strong, Be Courageous and Follow Jesus." 120 children gathered each day for fun games, crafts and Bible Stories. (LCN PHOTO by Pam Elrod)



Swing to the right ... Tahoka High School cheerleader Jaci Hammonds shows a cheer routine to a group of girls eager to mimic the motions, at the Tahoka Day Camp held last week at Tahoka Elementary School. (LCN PHOTO by Pam Elrod)



CIPA Members Address Crop Insurance Concerns At Annual Meeting

The Crop Insurance Professional Association (CIPA) members recently held their annual meeting in Kansas City, Missouri at the Airport Hilton. CIPA is comprised of crop insurance professionals from across the country. CIPA members meet with members of Congress, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the Risk Management Agency (RMA) annually to advocate a crop insurance system that is fair and equitable for all.

After brief opening remarks by Bill Hanson, Chairman of CIPA, from Manhattan, KS, Larry Combest, (former Congressman from Texas and former Chairman of the House Ag Committee) addressed the group and introduced the featured speaker, Eldon Gould. Administrator Gould spoke about existing programs and what the administration sees as areas that may need to be addressed in the future. He touched on topics such as PRP (Premium Reduction Plans), Conflict of Interest, and other programs that the administration is in charge of overseeing. He stated that his office is willing to listen to outside sources to find ways to maintain the integrity of the program but that it was a legal necessity to implement PRP when it was proposed. He also spoke of the challenges of working with

outdated computer equipment, and that money for crop insurance programs is also used for areas outside of farm programs, such as Medicaid and WIC.

Gould listened to comments from members of the group as to how the program, in its current form, has affected them. CIPA Members from Texas and Kansas spoke on how PRP has affected farmers that they service and the agents they represent. They gave first-hand commentary on how PRP has, in some instances, misled farmers to believe that they will receive either a discount, or a "rebate" when there is no guarantee of either.


Ruth Gerdes, from Auburn, Nebraska spoke to the Administrator about alternatives to PRP, such as a proposed good experience discount. She proposed that the Administration implement a Task Force to address alternatives to PRP that would be fair and transparent to all of those involved and include commodity groups in the discussion.

Scott Crumbaugh, Vice Chairman of CIPA, from Ithaca, Michigan, spoke on CIPA's concerns with GRP and GRIP, and the potential for waste and abuse by those using the products. Another concern raised by Sherrill Tubbs of Scott City, Kansas, was about the new language regarding Conflict of Interest and how it has made

working claims for farmers much more difficult and time consuming. Max Claybaker, one of the founding partners of CIPA wrapped up the comment segment asking the Administrator to consider all points that had been made and asked for the formation of a Task Force to provide constructive input to support a program that is fair, equitable and easier to maintain.

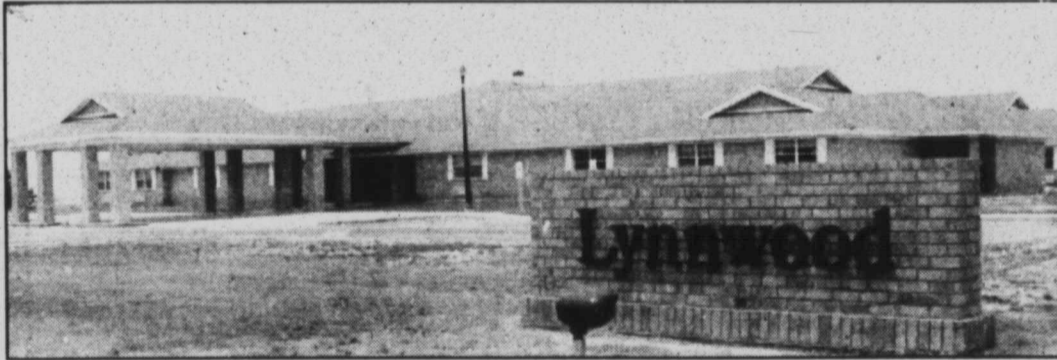
Tim Hoffman, RMA, Kansas City, spoke of recent rulings and updates to the crop insurance program and answered questions from the group.

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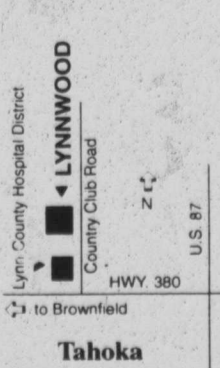
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