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DECEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

8th: Open House at Wilson State Bank
9:00 am-2:00 pm

at Tahoka/Wilson locations
Kids: See Santa 9-1 at Wilson Branch!
(Bring your gifts for Christmas For Kids at the WSB drop-off box at Wilson branch)

9th: Christmas Movies
7:00 pm

at Tahoka City/County Library inside Life Enrichment Center.
Free Admission - Bring the Family!

11th: Tour of Homes
6:00-8:00 pm

Sponsored by THS Student Council
- Tour four homes in Tahoka -
\$5 Donation benefits
Lynn County Christmas For Kids
(See advertisement for listings)

14th: Christmas Concert
6:00 pm

Tahoka 6th-7th-8th grade Bands in the High School Auditorium

18th: THS Band & Choir Concert
7:00 pm

Tahoka High School Auditorium

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to be placed on the
December events calendar.

Any event in the county open to the public may be placed on the calendar.

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Stolen Pipe, Trailer Is Recovered

Lynn County Sheriff's officers this week recovered 200 joints of oilfield pipe and a trailer that had been reported stolen from Crosby County. The oilfield pipe was recovered on Monday, and officers recovered the trailer, valued at approximately \$3500, on Tuesday. Crosby County Sheriff's Dept. arrested an individual in connection with the case.

Tahoka Police Officers investigated two burglaries this week, one involving the theft of two metal wagon wheels from a yard in the 1200 block of North 6th Street. The two wheels were valued at \$100.

In the other case, a homeowner in the 1900 block of North 3rd reported that someone had entered his home while the owners were out of town for a few days, breaking a window and going through closets and drawers in the home, stealing clothing and other items and leaving drawers and cupboards open, although the owners did not discover anything missing, according to the police report.

Jail population totaled 45 early this week after seven more persons were jailed during the last week, four for driving while license was invalid. One was jailed on two warrants for aggravated sexual assault, one person for assault/family violence and another was jailed on a warrant from Dallas County.

Of the 45 in jail, 14 were held for Garza County, four for Dawson, two for Gaines and five for Lubbock County.



State-Bound in FFA ... These New Home FFA leadership teams are state-bound after winning at Area events. Rachel Reagan won the Job Interview contest to advance to state level. The Senior Creed Speaking team, consisting of Kebbi Hutto, Keely Nettles, Amber Holler, Megan O'Rourke, Sarah Ussery, Sarah Clem and Trevor White, placed 2nd and advanced to the state level. The state contest will be held Dec. 1st in Huntsville, Texas.

BALE COUNT

Area gin counts as of Tuesday, Nov. 28

Texas Star-Wilson/Union	36,112
New Home Coop Gin	27,332
Woolam Gin, O'Donnell	11,156
Farmers Coop #1, Tahoka	11,885
Wells Coop Gin	6,812
Farmers Coop, O'Donnell	2,668
Grassland Coop Gin	1,856
Close City Gin, Post	1,041
TOTAL	98,862

County Holidays Approved For '07

Lynn County Commissioners met in regular session Monday morning, approving a list of holidays for county employees for 2007 and other routine business.

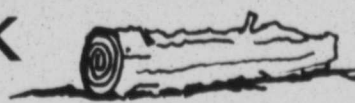
The holidays include Jan. 1, New Year's Day; Feb. 19, Presidents Day; Apr. 6, Good Friday; May 28, Memorial Day; July 4, Independence Day; Sept. 3, Labor Day; Oct. 8, Columbus

Day; Nov. 22-23, Thanksgiving; and Dec. 24-25, Christmas.

Sheriff Jerry D. Franklin reported on county jail, and monthly bills were approved.

All four commissioners were present, including J.T. Miller, Don Blair, Mike Braddock and Don Morton, with County Judge H.G. Franklin presiding.

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IF I CAN BELIEVE even part of the information I received the other day about all the great things bananas can do for a person, I definitely need to eat more bananas.

I like bananas. It's just that we don't think to buy them except occasionally. But that may change, because according to the information I received, eating bananas can help someone be a lot healthier. Here are some of the claims:

Bananas have three natural sugars (sucrose, fructose and glucose) combined with fiber, and a banana gives an instant, sustained and substantial boost of energy.

Boy, do I need that. Some days just breathing wears me out.

According to what I read, bananas also help overcome or prevent a bunch of illnesses and bad conditions, including:

Depression: A recent survey of people with depression showed that many felt a lot better after eating a banana, because a banana contains a protein which helps you relax, improves your mood and makes you feel happier. It also contains vitamin B6, which helps regulate blood sugar and can affect your mood.

Anemia: High in iron, bananas can stimulate hemoglobin in the blood.

Blood pressure: Bananas are high in potassium, but low in salt, "making it perfect to beat blood pressure". And perhaps help prevent stroke.

Brain power: Research indicates that the potassium in a banana can assist learning by making students more alert (one test had 200 students in one school helped through exams by having them eat bananas at breakfast, break and lunch to boost their brain power).

Bananas also reportedly help cure hangovers and constipation, and in general, just make you healthier, happier and easier to live with.

I received this information in an e-mail from a gorilla at the San Diego Zoo.

DURING A REVIVAL, an evangelist asked the people in line what they needed him to pray for. One man's request was for his hearing.

The evangelist spit on his finger, put it in the man's ear, prayed for him and then asked, "How's your hearing?"

The man replied, "I don't know. It's not until next Tuesday."



Looks like Christmas ... Raymond Vega, an employee with the City of Tahoka, hangs Christmas decorations on the lightposts in Tahoka Tuesday afternoon, preparing the city for the Christmas season.



Santa's Helpers ... Santa has some help at Wilson State Bank, where gifts can be dropped off for the Lynn County "Christmas For Kids" program. Shown here with some of the toys from Santa's bag are Stephen Quisenberry (left), Sharon Isham (right), and Dianna Sanders. New, unwrapped toys can be brought to the bank's Wilson branch for the county-wide program. (LCN PHOTO)

Christmas Movies Set For Saturday at Library

The City-County Library in Tahoka will be hosting a triple feature of Christmas movies at 7 p.m. this Saturday, Dec. 9 in the Life Enrichment Center. Area families are invited to come out and enjoy the movies and celebrate the spirit of Christmas.

According to Library Director Claudia Guin, admission to the event is free; however, children under 10 must be accompanied by a guardian who is at least 13 years of age, and families are encouraged to attend together. Total run time for all three films will be about two hours, and a

short intermission will be offered between films.

"We will be serving soft drinks and popcorn; and children are invited to bring pillows so that they may lie on the floor if they would like, and of course there will be chairs available for parents," said Guin. Door prizes will be given out, and a donation box for non-perishable foods will be available so that participants may contribute to the community food pantry.

"Because of legal restrictions, we can't print the film titles in the newspaper," said Guin, "but let's just say that one movie involves a popular character from a book that happens to be a turtle; one centers around a beautiful woman and her not-so-attractive companion; and one is a Christmas classic about a green fuzzy fellow whose heart is two sizes too small."

For more information, contact the library at 561-4050.

Senior Citizens MENU

December 4-8

All meals are served with drinks and condiments

Monday: Roasted Chicken, beets and onion salad, scalloped potatoes, spinach, rolls, apricots
Tuesday: BBQ Pork chops, baked beans, baked potato, cake
Wednesday: Chili, beans, cornbread, jalapeno cornbread, crackers, cookies
Thursday: Pot roast, mashed potatoes, carrots, salad, strawberries and bananas
Friday: Salmon patty, mac & cheese, coleslaw, chocolate pudding

Obituary Notices -- POLICY --

There is no charge for obituary notices, subject to editing. The Lynn County News will publish obituaries with any connection to Lynn County. Information may be sent to The Lynn County News, P.O. Box 1170, Tahoka, TX 79373, faxed to 806/561-6308, or e-mail: lcn1tahoka@poka.com or at LynnCoNews@poka.com.

OBITUARIES



MARY E. HOLLOWAY



LEONOR SALDANA

Mary E. Holloway

Funeral services for Mary E. Holloway, age 79, of Olney, Texas were held Sunday, Nov. 26, at the Southside Baptist Church in Olney, Texas with the Rev. Andy Graham, pastor, officiating. Burial followed in Restland Cemetery in Olney.

She died Tuesday, Nov. 21, 2006, in Olney. She was born January 26, 1927, in Lynn County, Texas, to Wesley T. and Charlie "Eugie" (Morrow) Luttrell, who both preceded her in death. She married Joel Holloway on May 23, 1943, in Draw, Texas. She had worked for Coachman Industries, Sam Furr and was a nurses' aide at Hamilton Hospital and a local nursing home for several years. She was a member of the Southside Baptist Church. She moved to Olney in 1963 from Tahoka.

Survivors include her husband, Joel Holloway of Olney; one son, Keith Holloway and wife Yvonne of Sherman, Texas; two daughters, Leah Hawley of Wichita Falls, and Becky Westerlage and husband Bill of Arlington; five grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Southside Baptist Church, P.O. Box 155, Olney, Texas 76374 or to a favorite charity.

Leonor Saldana

Funeral services for Leonor Saldana, 75, of Lubbock (formerly of Tahoka) were held at 2:00 p.m., Friday, November 24, 2006 at Iglesia Bautista Templo in Lubbock with Rev. Frank Garcia officiating. Interment followed in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park in Woodrow under the direction of White Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Mrs. Saldana died Wednesday, November 22, 2006.

She was born in Arlington, Texas on December 31, 1930 to Yandalecio and Anastacia Maldonado Quintero, both of whom preceded her in death. She married Antonio Saldana in Levelland Jan. 31, 1950. He preceded her in death on November 22, 1993. She was a homemaker and a member of Mision Bautista Getsemani in Tahoka. While in Lubbock she attended El Buen Pastor Church.

She is survived by 14 children: Antonio Saldana, Jr., Carmen Carter, Linda Saldana Williams, Daniel Saldana, Frances Saldana, Lupe Meza, Sylvia Molina, Connie Maldonado, Enrique (Rick) Saldana and Roderick Saldana, all of Lubbock; Mary Ann Sanchez, Domingo Saldana and Belen Gomez, all of Tahoka, and David Saldana of Dallas; five brothers, David Quintero of Sweetwater, Elias Quintero of Vernon, Benjamin Quintero of Colorado, and Adam and Ray Quintero, both of Lamesa; four sisters, Frances Martinez, Elizabeth Vera and Mary Alvarado, all of Lamesa, and Felicitia Serda of Nebraska; 28 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Joseph Williams, Gabriel Martinez, Andrew Saldana, Carlos Saldana, Rico Sanchez and Ernest Gomez.

Correction

Seventh grader April Lam was inadvertently left off the Tahoka Middle School honor roll for the second six weeks.



Student Month for Laura Vi grade.



PREP PANDEM

Well, we left off last week you up to date ahead of time enza or any other lower the impact breakdown or community. I structure here by a shortage which leads to available utility. The best is to take a Stop the culprit do we stop the culprit is the ; demic influenza causes the correct the same informed/educiously practice control habits. 1. BECC Reliable information a. www. Government 1 b. The Center and Prevent 1-800-232-46 c. Tune in news reports sion, or news; d. Talk to providers 2. STAY the spread of a. Take the

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Drawing Information and Rules:

- NO Purchase Necessary
- Entry started on September 13, 2006
- Last Chance to enter is December 1, 2006
- Drawing will be held on December 4, 2006
- Winner does not have to be present to win
- One entry per household
- Must be US citizen to enter
- See entry form for complete list of rules

Christmas For Kids

Prop box located at Wilson Branch. Please help WSB collect toys for the Lynn County Christmas For Kids program.

WSB also offers -

- ⇒ American Express Travelers Cheques
- ⇒ Cheques For Two
- ⇒ Gift Cheques

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The site has information about county and district offices, county commissioners meetings, public notices and more!

Christmas Craft Show!

Saturday, December 2nd
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
at the
Life Enrichment Center

FREE ADMISSION

Tons of great booths!

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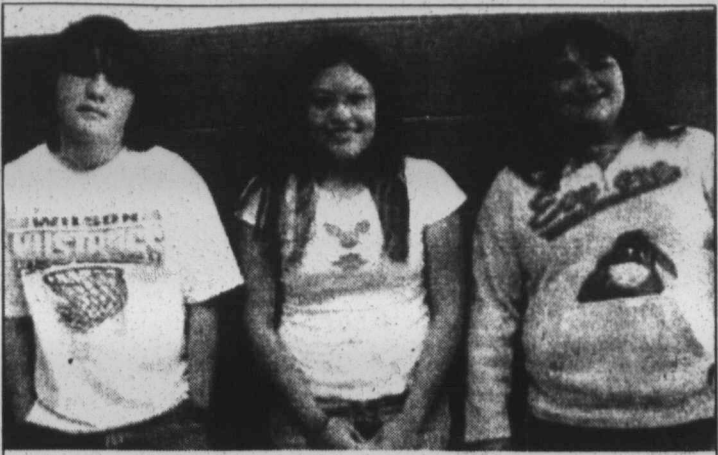
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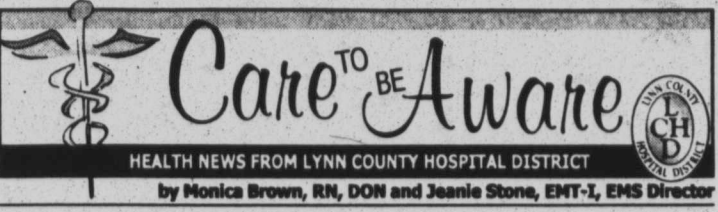
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Students of Month ... Wilson ISD Students of the Month for November are, from left, Ray Parmer (5th grade), Laura Villarreal (8th grade), and Lindsey Aldous (9th grade).



PREPARING FOR PANDEMIC INFLUENZA
(continued)

Well, we'll pick up where we left off last week. We were bringing you up to date on how preparing ahead of time for a pandemic influenza or any other disaster could help lower the impact of an infrastructure breakdown on our families and our community. If you recall, an infrastructure breakdown is often caused by a shortage of available workers, which leads to a shortage or lack of available utilities and goods.

The best way for us to prepare, is to take a defensive approach. Stop the culprit (the disease). How do we stop the culprit? Whether the culprit is the germ that causes pandemic influenza or the germ that causes the common cold we should react the same way by becoming informed/educated, and then tenaciously practicing good infection control habits.

1. BECOME INFORMED. Reliable information is available via:

- a. www.pandemicflu.gov - Government website
- b. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) - hotline 1-800-232-4636
- c. Tune in to local and national news reports via the radio, television, or newspaper.
- d. Talk to your local health care providers

2. STAY HEALTHY. Prevent the spread of respiratory illnesses.

- a. Take the flu vaccine yearly to

prevent infection with common flu strains, unless it is contraindicated for you.

b. Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue, your hand, or your shirt when you cough or sneeze. Then immediately dispose of the tissue and wash your hands.

c. **Wash your hands. Wash your hands. Wash your hands of ten** with soap and water or use an alcohol based hand sanitizer especially when in public gathering places, before and after eating and using the restroom. Once you've lathered up, rub/scrub for the length of time it takes you to sing the alphabet; otherwise, your washing is probably ineffective.

d. Stay away from sick people.

e. Do Not infect others. If you are sick, don't go to work, school, or public/social gatherings.

f. Do not touch your eyes, nose or mouth. (Germs often enter your body through these areas)

g. Frequently sanitize commonly touched surfaces like door knobs, telephones, and table tops. There are many products that can be used effectively, like Lysol's Sanitizing Spray, or Clorox's disinfectant wipes.

While these simple infection control habits seem to be common sense, they are very effective, if everyone will do them. Next week we'll wind up pandemic influenza by discussing how to stock up on essentials to prepare for an extended stay at home.

Two Resignations Accepted At O'Donnell School District

Two staff resignations were reported at the O'Donnell Independent School District Board of Trustees meeting last week, including head football coach Rick Price, effective at the end of his current contract period, and Jason McLaughlin, effective immediately. McLaughlin was new to the district this school year, and taught high school science and math. Superintendent Rodney Schneider informed trustees that he had accepted both resignations.

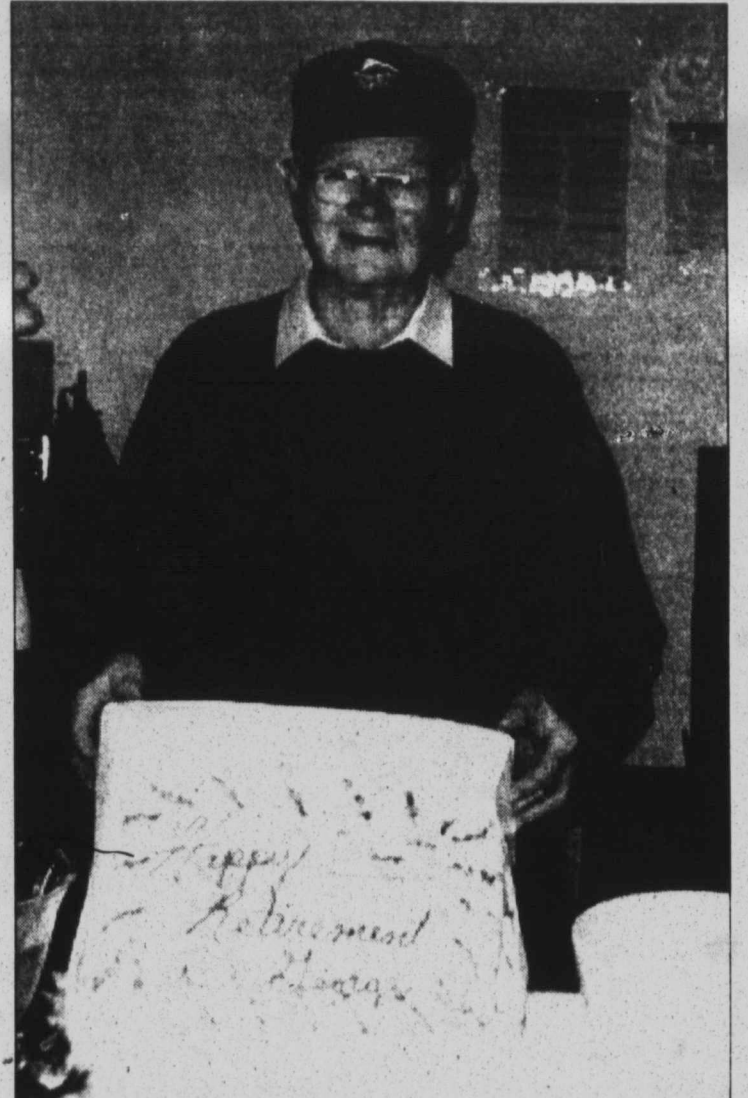
In other business, trustees approved an interlocal agreement with West Texas Educational Purchasing Cooperative, and reviewed the district investment policy. O'Donnell ISD invests in the Lone Star Investment Pool, which is an investment consortium consisting of state

agencies and school districts. Supt. Schneider and the business manager were named district investment officers.

Local policy was approved regarding the district's health and wellness services, and for a District Hazard Analysis Critical Point Plan that regulates issues regarding the handling, distribution, preparation and storage of food and food products/services.

Supt. Schneider updated trustees on the completed renovations to the administration buildings, including new windows and carpet, and informed trustees about upcoming board training opportunities, and the status of grant applications.

The next meeting was tentatively set for Tuesday, Dec. 19 at 7 p.m.



Retiring ... George Glenn, who retired from the U.S. Post Office in Tahoka after 31 years of service, was honored with a retirement reception Tuesday afternoon.

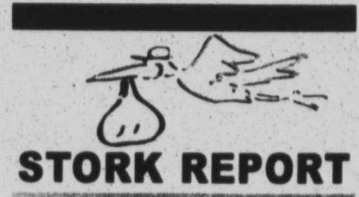
Miracle on 34th Street At Post's Garza Theatre

The Garza Theatre in Post completes its 20th season with "Miracle on 34th Street" adapted by Will Severin, Patricia Di Benedetto Snyder and John Vreeke from the novel by Valentine Davies and directed by Laura Bryan. Performances are December 1 & 2, 8 & 9, 15 & 16 at 8 pm and December 3 at 2:30 pm.

This funny, tender and charming holiday favorite for the entire family is a Christmas classic about a man who claims to be Santa Claus and is institutionalized as insane. A small girl's belief in Santa and the magic of the holiday is at stake in a climactic courtroom decision.

Reserved seats are \$9 for adults and \$6 for children between the ages of 6 and 12.

The historic Garza Theatre is located at 226 E. Main in Post. Call 806-495-4005 for reservations and more details.



STORK REPORT

Matt and Kelly Kallail of Frisco, TX announce the birth of a son, Noah Matthew Kallail, born Nov. 20, 2006 at 5:56 p.m., weighing 8 lbs and 9 ozs. and measuring 20-1/2 inches long. He has an older brother Jake, who is 2-1/2 years old.

Grandparents are Jim and Chloe Jan Wells of Tahoka, Krista Brooks of Plano, and Richard Kallail of El Paso.

Great grandparents are Grace and Maurice Huffaker of Tahoka, and the late George Claude and Ruth Wells, and Mel and Shirley Girardin of Plano.

Daniel and Jennifer Clark of Wilson announce the birth of a son, Casen Riley, born Nov. 25, 2006 at 7:59 a.m. at Lynn County Hospital. He weighed 7 lbs. and 13-1/2 oz. and was 21 inches long. He has two older brothers, Tanner of Wilson and Trent of Lubbock.

Grandparents are Rick and Betty Clark of Wilson and Jimmy and Barbara Dunn of Lubbock.

Great grandparents are Lois Clark of Tucson, AZ, Louise Burke of Madera, CA, Wanda Dunn of Lubbock and Jeff and Allyne Talkmitt of Slaton.

Final Signup Set For Christmas Gift Program Here

One final signup date remains for the Lynn County "Christmas For Kids" program, on Saturday, Dec. 2, 9 a.m.-12 noon in the basement courtroom at the courthouse.

Lynn County parents who need help providing Christmas gifts for their children may sign up for the program.

For more information, or to donate funding or gifts to the program, or to sign up to "adopt" a child or family of children to provide gifts for in the "Christmas For Kids" program, contact Janet Porterfield at 561-4036, or the Lynn County Treasurer's office at 561-4055.

Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Nov. 21	73	36	
Nov. 22	80	41	
Nov. 23	79	41	
Nov. 24	71	43	
Nov. 25	70	44	
Nov. 26	65	45	
Nov. 27	71	46	0.05"
Nov. 28	70	44	
Total Precipitation Nov.:			0.05"
Total Precipitation Oct.:			3.77"
Total Precipitation Sept.:			2.96"
Total Precipitation Aug.:			4.49"
Total Precipitation July:			3.36"
Total Precipitation June:			0.95"
Total Precipitation May:			2.27"
Total Precipitation April:			1.01"
Total Precipitation Mar.:			1.36"
Total Precipitation Feb.:			0.02"
Total Precipitation Jan.:			Trace
Total Precip. Year to Date:			20.24"

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That time has come for me. The losses we've suffered... our son, what we thought was our home, our things, Kelsee and Korlee leaving, along with the false accusations made against Roger and I by a very few (they'll know who they are) have overwhelmed me, I guess.

For these reasons, I have had to take a break. My dear loyal clients - I am sorry for any inconvenience but I will be gone for a while. If you have to find a new stylist, nail tech, etc. I will completely understand as I'm very unsure about the future at the moment. However, I just want you all to know how special you are to me and how much I hate this. But something had to give and I guess I buckled under the pressure. Guess I wasn't quite the "tough guy" I thought I was!

Thank you all for your concerns and prayers - please continue to pray for our little family as we walk this road. We will over come this with God's help ... as my Dad has always said "this shall pass."

I will miss you terribly but I'll be in touch as soon as I am sure of my plans.

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Sending Books to Africa ... Tahoka Church of Christ members, with the help of jail trustees and others, loaded up a shipping container just before Thanksgiving with Bible class materials/books to send to missionary George Funk in South Africa. The books and materials are collected by the local Church of Christ, who in turn organizes the shipping to South Africa, where not only the books are used but also the shipping container itself is left and becomes a room for reading and/or giving out materials. In the photo at right, minister Ron Fant hands books to church member Caleb Renfro, as trustees stack the material in the container. (LCN PHOTOS)

Tahoka City-County Library Collecting "Food For Fines"

The City-County Library in Tahoka is offering "Food for Fines" again this year to benefit the hungry this holiday season. All proceeds from the program will be donated to the community food pantry.

According to Library Director Claudia Guin, the program, which will run from Dec. 2-21, is a way for library patrons to erase the fines they have built up for overdue materials. "We have many patrons with fines on the books right now, and we thought this would be a great way to delete those fines and give to the needy at the same time."

For each ounce of food donated, 10¢ will be subtracted from the total fine amount owed by a patron. "At current prices, you could buy a 24 oz. bag of rice for less than a \$1 and get \$2.40 taken off your fine amount," said

Guin. "That's a bargain for the patron and it's beneficial to those in our community that are disadvantaged."

Guin points out that donors don't have to have fines, or even be a patron of the library to participate in the program. "We will be happy to take donations from anyone who wants to give."

Interested parties can drop off non-perishable items at the library during regular business hours. Monday-Thursday: 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. (closed 1-2 p.m. for lunch); and Saturday: 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. There will also be a donation box available at the library's Christmas movie triple feature scheduled for 7 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 9.

For more information on the "Food for Fines" program or the Christmas movie event, contact the library at 561-4050.

The NEW HOME News

Girls Night Out
The High School Girls are invited to a Girls Night Out on December 11th to go to Lubbock and see the movie Holiday!

Van for Brian Kieth
If you are interested in helping get a van for Brian Kieth, call Karon Durham at 924-7524 ext. 26!

Dessert Reception
There was a dessert reception held for Candace Clenny on the 29th. Ms. Clenny has been doing her student teaching at New Home ISD and will be graduating from LCU in December.

New Home Leopards Basketball News

The New Home Lady Leopards lost to Whiteface 51-48 on Nov. 17. Sarah Ussery was high scorer with 14 points. The JV Lady Leopards also lost a close one, 30-27, with Becky Bartley tossing in 15 points and Nichole Taylor adding 7.

On Nov. 21, both JV and varsity Lady Leopards claimed a victory over Hale Center. Varsity won 52-47, with Jenny Macker leading the Lady Leopards with 18 points, and JV won handily, 47-26, with two players scoring in double figures for the JV Ladies, including Nichole Taylor with 17 and Rayley Parmer with 16.

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ACT Seeks Top Teachers for Summer Program

ACT is looking for outstanding secondary school teachers to participate in a summer program designed to help develop and evaluate ACT's test materials and classroom support materials.

ACT's Visiting Teacher Program seeks four teachers from middle school, junior high or high school with experience teaching minority students. Started in 1995, the Visiting Teacher Program brings teachers from across the United States to ACT's national headquarters in Iowa City, Iowa.

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To review and develop instructional support materials that will be used to orient teachers to the many uses of ACT's tests.

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The six-week program begins June 18 and runs through July 27, 2007. Teachers will receive a stipend of \$5,500 and round-trip transportation between their home and Iowa City. ACT will secure and partially subsidize housing for the visiting teachers.

To apply, teachers need to submit a completed application, available online at ACT's website at www.act.org/path/secondary/visit.html. Teachers will also need to send a current resume and two letters of recommendation from persons familiar with their professional background. Application materials can be sent to: Visiting Teacher Program (32), Elementary and Secondary School Programs, ACT National Office, P.O. Box 168, Iowa City, IA 52243-0168.

Applications can also be faxed to (319) 341-2335. The deadline for applications is December 29, 2006.

For further information, email visiting.teachers@act.org or call (319) 337-1645.

Official U.S. website for information on the Bird Flu Pandemic:
www.PandemicFlu.gov
or
www.AvianFlu.gov

Dixie Dog Drive-In will close early Saturday, Dec. 2, at 5:00 p.m.

Letters to the Editor

Thanks Expressed For Participants In Relay For Life

To the Editor:
On behalf of the Tahoka Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America, I would like to express my thanks to the Tahoka community for all the support and participation in the American Cancer Society Relay for Life. All participants helped to make the first high school student sponsored relay a huge success due to the unity and community spirit here in Tahoka. The individuals that volunteered to raise approximately \$15,000 and/or walk during the relay are greatly appreciated for their time and efforts.

We are also thankful for all the businesses that donated money for sponsorships for this event (Lynn County News, Lynn County Hospital District, Lynn County Hospital, Puro West Party, Tahoka Drug, Twisted Flavors, AB Construction, Two Toads Holding's, SSC, Inc., B.W.S., LLC, Lyntegar Electric Cooperative, Wilson State Bank, Plains Capital Bank, Jerry M. Kolander, Jr., W. Calloway Huffaker, Ronny Harris/Herff Jones, Pratas, Smith & Moore, Joe F. Hays, CPA, Take Me Back Music, Shamrock Chevrolet, Town & Country, and Jim's Jumpers), each and every person that showed their support by attending and donating to the fundraisers, or those individuals who dropped their spare change in the change jars around town. All these individuals helped in the battle against cancer.

It was apparent at the Relay that many families and individuals have been emotionally touched by cancer which is the reason for the Relay, itself. My prayers go out to all the victims, survivors, and their families.

Thank you,
Amy Ashley Barrera
Chairman,
Lynn County Relay For Life

Donations Sought For ALS Victim

Dear Friends and Family and Friends of Friends and Family,

When Brian was diagnosed with ALS in May of 2005, we had hopes that progression would be slow and that we would have plenty of time to get together all the things we could possibly need to keep up with the demands of his disease. Unfortunately, the disease has kept one step ahead of us at every turn. Now, our need is greater than ever. Whereas insurance, Medicare and the MDA have been wonderful in other areas; they aren't able to help us in this case. What we need now is a van. Through private insurance and

Medicare, Brian has received the power chair he needed, thankfully, at no cost to us. His new chair will address almost all of his mobility needs. But, he has no way to get out in his "dream chair". We cannot take him to his quarterly ALS/MDA clinic visit in his chair. He cannot attend the kids' sporting events, go grocery shopping, or even "hang out" at the mall in his new chair. For these things, Brian is still restricted to using his manual wheelchair. Use of the manual chair requires constant transfers to and from the car. It causes excessive weakness and pain to Brian. Also, the chair takes up most of the space in the trunk making shopping and travel difficult.

Brian's parents through his sister-in-law Angie, have set up an account to accept donations for the van needed to get Brian back in the community once again. Cost for a van converted for handicapped accessibility is very, very high. Our hope is that we can get as many generous people to help us cover the cost of purchasing one as we can.

We are asking for what seems to be a huge amount, \$50 from anyone who can afford to donate that much. Every donation, in any amount, will be greatly appreciated. The more people we can reach, the better our chances of achieving our goal. That goal was to get a new conversion van before Brian's next MDA/ALS clinic visit, in February, so that he can attend in comfort.

We have done some research into vans with accessibility and have some websites that we invite you to view if you would like to know more about the challenge laid before us. www.Wheelchair-van.com, www.adaptivedriving.com, www.amsvans.com and www.rollxvans.com.

Donations can be addressed to "Brian's Van Account" and mailed to First Bank and Trust, attn: Angie Kieth, 7806 Indiana Avenue, Lubbock, TX 79423. Also a PayPal account is open and ready to receive funds. Please use the email address spottedman@hotmail.com if you prefer that option.

We thank you for taking the time to read this plea. We hope that you will be able to help us in any way possible. And may God bless you all.

Sincerely, Brian, Catherine, Caitlin and Charles Kieth

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Varsity Bulldogs ... The Tahoka High School Varsity Bulldogs basketball team is shown, standing from left, Josh Sastre (video), (24) Josh Freitag, (32) Josh Hawthorne, (10) Matt McLelland, (23) Damon Moore, (4) Britt Wuensche; and seated in front, (14) Jared Thomas, (3) Kasen Stanley, (34) Garret Autry, (5) Lance Murphy, (12) Daniel Baker, (21) Jay Tillman, and Josh Deleon (statistician). Head Coach is Drew Stone, assisted by Wes Solomon.



Junior Varsity Bulldogs ... The Tahoka High School Junior Varsity Bulldogs basketball team is shown, standing from left, (14) Graham Henley, (32) Kyle Larpenter, (5) Tyson Porter, (3) J.T. Thomas, (23) Antonio Baker, (34) Seth Hawthorne, (30) Donovan Tillman; and seated, (24) Mitchell Chapa, (21) Jacob Lynch, (4) Adrian Webster, (10) Matt Taylor, and (12) Martin Rosas. Not shown is Levi McKay (42).

Tahoka Sports News

by Tahoka High School Journalism Students

8th Grade Girls Basketball

by: D'Maris Murillo

The Lady Bulldogs beat the Denver City Filly 47-19, Nov. 27.

Kalee Wuensche led scoring with 12 points. Following her was Taylor Ford with 8 points, and Sabrina Morales with 7 points.

Also putting points on the board for the team were Brittany Garcia and Kadi Larpenter putting up 6 points each. Morgan Lockaby scored 4 points, and Kenzie Angeley scored 2 points.

The Tahoka 8th grade Lady Bulldogs defeated the Idalou Wildcats 37-17, Nov. 13. The top three scorers were Ford with 18 points, Morales with 8 points, and Lockaby with 6 points.

Other scorers that helped defeat the Wildcats include Kalee Wuensche with four points and Skyler McClesky with two points.

8th Grade Girls "B" Team

by: D'Maris Murillo

The 8th grade girls "B" team beat Denver City 31-26, Monday, Nov. 27.

Danielle Wilborn led scoring with 17 points, Brittani Ford added nine points, Amber Zeigler added four points, and Isabelle Resendez scored one point.

Lady Bulldog Varsity Basketball

By: Sarah Calvillo

The Lady Dogs faced the Plainview Lady Bulldogs on Nov. 21. The Lady Dogs were defeated 64-21. Top scorers were Kyra Helm with eight points, and Haley Hall with four points.

The Varsity Lady Bulldogs had their first win over the Stanton varsity girls Nov. 20. The lady dogs won 46-37. Top scorers were Haley Hall and Helm with 14 points each.

Jessica McLelland, bailey Hall and Brooke Inklebarger had six points each.

The Varsity Lady Bulldogs lost to the Littlefield Wildcats 28-44. Top scorer was H.Hall with eight points. Following close behind was McLelland and Inklebarger with six points each. Helm had five points and B. Hall had three.

The Varsity Lady Bulldogs faced the New Deal Lions on Nov. 14, losing 44-69. Top scorer was Helm with 24 points. Inklebarger scored seven points.

J.V. Girls BB

By: Amanda Resendez

Tahoka J.V. Girls faced the New Deal Lions, on Nov. 14. They lost 37-45. Top scorer was Meghann Rivas with ten points, following close behind was Brittney Hair with nine points, and Sylvana Hernandez with seven points. Jaquez Justice scored five points, Corlee Greene scored four points, and Stephanie Deleon scored two points.

J.V. Lady Bulldogs participated in the Roosevelt tournament. They first battled the Shallowater Mustangs. They were defeated 62-42. The top three scorers were Justice with 15 points, Greene with 10 points and Rivas with six points. The second game the Lady Bulldogs faced the Brownfield Cubs. They won 66-26. This was their first vic-

tory in the season. The top scorers were Greene with 26 points and Rivas and Hair with 12 points each. The third game was against the Muleshoe Mules. The ladies fell short 39-41. The top three scorers were Greene with 13 points, Rivas with 11 points, and Justice with nine points.

The Lady Bulldogs defeated Stanton Nov. 20, 40-32. The top three scorers were Hair with 10 points, and Rivas and Greene had eight points each.

8th Grade Boys Basketball

by: Valerie Sosa

Tahoka 8th Grade boys faced the Denver City Mustangs on Nov. 27. They were defeated 17-40. The top scorers were Neiko Garcia with seven points, and Tanner Hall with four points.

7th Grade Basketball

by: Josh Freitag

On Monday before Thanksgiving the 7th Grade Bulldogs played in Post against the Antelopes. Even though the Dogs made a remarkable comeback in the 4th quarter, they couldn't come out on top. The Bulldogs lost 13-18. Andy Hinds led the Bulldog scoring with seven points. Zac Garcia, Christian Ramirez, and Isaac Vega added two points each.

Last Monday, the 7th Grade Blue and White teams battle the Denver City Mustangs in Tahoka. The White team played first and was defeated 6-18. Leading the scoring was Ian Zamarron with 3 points followed by Jay Martin with one point. Denver City scored in the wrong basket to give the Bulldogs their other 2 points.

During the Blue team's game, Tahoka separated from the Mustangs in the 2nd quarter and never looked back. The Bulldogs won 26-18. High scorer for the Blue Team was Tino Deleon with 8 points. Isaac Vega was the second highest scorer with seven points.

J.V. Basketball

By: Amber Alvarado

Tahoka JV boys went head to head with Stanton JV boys. The Tahoka boys came out on top 37-21. The to score was J.T. Thomas with 13 points. Adrian Webster and Jacob Lynch had 6 points. Antonio Baker and Seth Hawthorne scored 4 points.

DPS: Hire Only Licensed Locksmiths

Since January 2004, the Private Security Act has required that individuals and companies performing locksmith services in the state of Texas be licensed by the Department of Public Safety. As part of the licensing process, fingerprint criminal history checks are performed on applicants to ensure they do not have criminal convictions that would prohibit them from receiving a license.

However, many individuals and companies are still performing services without the required license—and the required criminal history check. Giving an unlicensed locksmith access to your home or business places you at risk of criminal acts against you or your property.

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ensure he or she is licensed. Licensed locksmiths will be able to provide you a Department-issued license number.

You should also check the DPS website using the search feature at <http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/psb/> to verify an individual or company's licensed status.

The Department has 27 troopers located throughout the state who investigate violations of the Private Security Act. Among the violations they investigate are allegations of individuals or companies performing locksmith services without a license, which is a class A misdemeanor, punishable by a jail term up to 1 year and/or a fine of up to \$4,000.

If you encounter an unlicensed individual or company offering to perform locksmith services, please contact the

Department's Private Security Bureau by mail (PO Box 4087, Austin, TX 78773-0241), by fax (512-424-7729) or by e-mail (psb@txdps.state.tx.us).

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Questions and Answers of the Day

Mark 12:29-31; Psalms 73; Joel 2:12-14; Matthew 5:1-12; Matthew 22:37-39

GOD, PLEASE BE MERCIFUL AND BRING PEACE TO THE HURT

Question: Are we failing or is God mad at us if we have trials and problems in our lives?

As you read this, understand that God loves you and me. This week is dedicated to those in tears, those who have inner sadness unspeakable. It is dedicated to all who live.

Have you ever gone through periods of sadness, hardships and buckets of tears? Are there things you think you can't bear? I have seen those times, many times. Please listen.

God has not forgotten you. He's not picking on us when He allows these things to go on. He knows when our heart aches. He knows when we feel desperate. He knows when we need relief. In our brokenness we are often nearest to Him. Return to Him during your heartaches and fears. Don't pull away and blame Him. Understand He wants to be first in our lives. When He is, then inner peace comes. I know it's not easy to surrender all you are, all you have, all you know and all that applies to your life. Most of the time when people hurt us we compare them to God. Listen—there is no comparison. That's why He sent Jesus; that's why He forgives even His enemies; that's why He allows people who don't even like Him to come to Him through the blood of Christ. Jesus loves like God; He promises unbreakable promises and He never leaves us. Speak to Him through Jesus. Speak to Him. Let Him heal your life.

In Jesus name, Amen.

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New at the City-County Library

One Mississippi
by Mark Childress

Struggling with his outsider status after moving to a small Mississippi town at the beginning of his junior year, 1970s teen Daniel Musgrove befriends fellow misfit Tim, with whom he becomes embroiled in a devastating chain of events following a car accident from which the community's first African-American prom queen awakens believing she is white.

Captive of my Desire
by Johanna Lindsey

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Students: Don't Believe These College Financial Aid Myths

College application season is in full swing. As students live in fear of a rejection letter, parents worry more about how they'll afford the tuition when their child is accepted. College is expensive, but tuition fears shouldn't overshadow an otherwise exciting time in a teen's life. The key is to not believe the financial myths surrounding the price of a higher education.

Myth #1: You can't afford college.

Many parents and students see the tuition price, cost of living in the forms and the textbook fees, and say there is no way they can afford college. The truth is most college students require some form of financial aid. In fact, nearly 75 percent of 2006 high school graduates who took the ACT reported that they need help to pay for college. Don't ignore college because of its "sticker price." Student can receive a combination of grants, loans, scholarships or Work Study jobs to help reduce the cost.

Myth #2: You have to be very poor, very smart or very talented to qualify for financial aid.

Financial aid comes in many forms - grants and scholarships that you don't have to repay, and loans, which you do have to repay. There is need-based aid, for students of lower income families, and merit-based aid for students who excel in athletics, music, community service and many other areas. Financial aid sources are as varied, too - the federal government, the college or university itself, a parent's employer, and others. When students take the time to explore all the possibilities, they will be surprised at what offers they may receive.

Myth #3: You can get more scholarships by paying someone to search for you.

Scholarship scams are

everywhere. Beware of any group or individual that guarantees a scholarship if you pay a fee. There are many good and FREE scholarship sources on the Internet. Check out www.fastweb.com or www.finaid.org for more information.

Myth #4: My child will pay for college, so my salary doesn't matter.

Most need-based financial aid is based on parents' income and assets. Most schools require students to fill out the FAFSA, the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, in order to qualify for need-based aid. The form, available online at www.fafsa.ed.gov, asks for information similar to what you need for your income taxes. After submitting the FAFSA, students receive a report that shows how much the government expects you to pay for toward your child's education. If you aren't ready to file yet, visit www.act.org/fafsa to get an estimate of your expected family contribution.

Myth #5: You can wait until you get accepted to a college before worrying about financial aid.

Most financial aid is doled out on a first-come, first-served basis. No one should wait to get started. Looking for financial aid probably isn't a teen's idea of a good time, but it is better than graduating from college in debt.

The WILSON News

Blessed Sacrament Church adds Mass

The Blessed Sacrament Church in Wilson will have a second Mass starting on Friday, December 1 performed by Father Teo at 7:00 p.m. Rosary services are starting on December 3rd at 7:30 p.m.



OHS Cheerleaders in Final Four Cheer Mania ... The O'Donnell Eagle Cheerleaders have advanced to the Final Four in the kcbd.com Cheer Championship. They will be competing against Floydada, Turkey Valley, and Ropes from November 20-30. To vote for the cheerleaders, go to the kcbd.com website. Eagle cheerleaders are, back row from left, Portia Grant, Crystal Sanchez, Kalynn Jacobson, Krista Hernandez, and Chelsea Stephens; and in front, Bianca Calzada, Nallely Ochoa, Macy Mires, Bailey Brewer, and Bonnie Brewer.

Wilson SCHOOL MENU

December 4-8 Breakfast

Choice of cereal and toast or hot entrée daily.

Monday: Donut

Tuesday: Sausage, egg

Wednesday: French toast sticks

Thursday: Egg and hash brown

Friday: Mustang McMuffin

Lunch

Monday: Corn dog, oven fries, fresh broccoli and ranch, apple, crispy treats

Tuesday: Stuffed baked potato, carrot stick, fresh fruit cup, Texas toast

Wednesday: Chicken fajitas, refried beans, corn, chocolate pudding cup, orange smiles

Thursday: Pizza, salad, bananas, chocolate cake

Friday: Enchiladas, refried beans, salad, cinnamon apples

VOICES Group Meeting Held

The Lynn County V.O.I.C.E.S. committee met Nov. 9 with several members present, including Abraham Vega, Doyle Lee, HG Franklin, Jeanie Stone, Jerry Franklin, Jim Bingham, Kim White, Retha Fortenberry, Pete Vallejo, Tom Tejada, and Rebecca Williams.

The purchase of 16 "Alcohol Prohibited" signs by MCC was approved, which will be placed in city parks/baseball fields. A summer activity report given that included reports of MIP, DWI/DUI, and some minor drug possession arrests being made, but officers said the summer months were not real busy. Since the school year has started, it was reported that one arrest was made for marijuana possession on campus and one senior student brought alcohol to a football game. TISD Officer Tom Tejada reported that a drug policy was in place for extracurricular activities.

In new business, Retha Fortenberry reported that Amarillo schools use a "new" alcohol detector that doesn't require a breathalyzer - coalition members were interested in finding out more information.

It was reported that the TxDOT Rollover Simulator was used at the Student Health Fair in Tahoka on 11/17/06. The group discussed having the MADD trailer back at the school in March or May, need to clear date with school officials.

The group discussed a Street Smart program - would like for them to come back, but they won't be available until next school year.

Kim White will look into doing another drug prevention campaign through the schools, possibly to have winners artwork displayed on a billboard (need group to sponsor).

Tom Tejada reported that the officers will be attending a Drug Awareness course (8 hrs.) at the SPAG building.

The group discussed planning a FREE community Drug

SPC To Host Rural Economic Development Workshop

South Plains College will be hosting a rural economic development workshop on December 13 from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm in the Sundown Room of the Student Center. The workshop is titled "Developing Rural Entrepreneurship Support Networks (RESN) for Economic Development."

The workshop will discuss basics of community resource and economic development, benefits of entrepreneurship to economic development, supporting entrepreneurs, resources and certification available and the curriculum of a Rural Entrepreneur Support Network.

The workshop is for all citizens that are dedicated to finding ways to make significant improvement in their local economies and communities including economic developers, city and county officials, chambers of commerce, educators, business owners, nonprofit organizations, entrepreneurs and any citizen hoping to improve their community.

The workshop presenter is Greg Clary, Ph.D., is an economist with the Texas Cooperative Extension and Chairman of the Texas Center for Rural Entrepreneurship, a collaborative effort to stimulate and support private and public entrepreneurship development in communities throughout rural Texas.

For online registration and information, visit <http://www.tcre.org> and click on "Projects." Registration is free and the workshop is sponsored by South Plains College and the Levelland Area Chamber of Commerce.

For more information, contact 806-894-9611, extension 2217.

Awareness event in the spring. The next meeting was set for 3:30 p.m. Dec. 7. All interested persons are invited to attend.

Grant Funds Now Available For Community Projects

Wes-Tex Resource Conservation and Development Area, Inc. will accept applications for the 2007 Matching Grant Program until Dec. 15, 2006. Organizations, individuals, schools and units of government can apply to receive \$500 for use toward special or on-going projects. These funds can be matched dollar for dollar or by donated time, equipment, etc.

Past grants in Lynn County have been awarded to Lynn County Pioneers, Neighborhood Missions, and Open Door Ministries.

Wes-Tex RC&D awards 16 grants per year, focusing on land management, land conservation, water conservation or community development. Visit our website at www.westexred.org.

For additional information contact Barry Pittman, director at (806) 561-4588, Cindy Poole, Coordinator at (806) 266-5067, or Helen Saldana at (806) 998-4507 extension 3 or come by the USDA NRCS office at 1603 South 2nd Street in Tahoka.

Wes-Tex RC&D is funded by the USDA-NRCS.

Country Band To Perform At Trade Days

The classic country band, "Eight Second Ride" will perform on the Rainmaker Stage at Old Mill Trade Days in Post Saturday, December 2 at noon. The Band plays classic country and have just completed a CD entitled "Classic Country Memories."

The band is well known in the region, having performed for concerts and dances throughout West Texas.

Trade Days: December 1-3, is a marketplace in the historic Postex Mills. Event hours are 11 am to 5 pm Friday and Sunday; 9 am to 5 pm Saturday. Admission on Friday is \$1 and Senior Adults are free. Admission on Saturday and Sunday is \$2.

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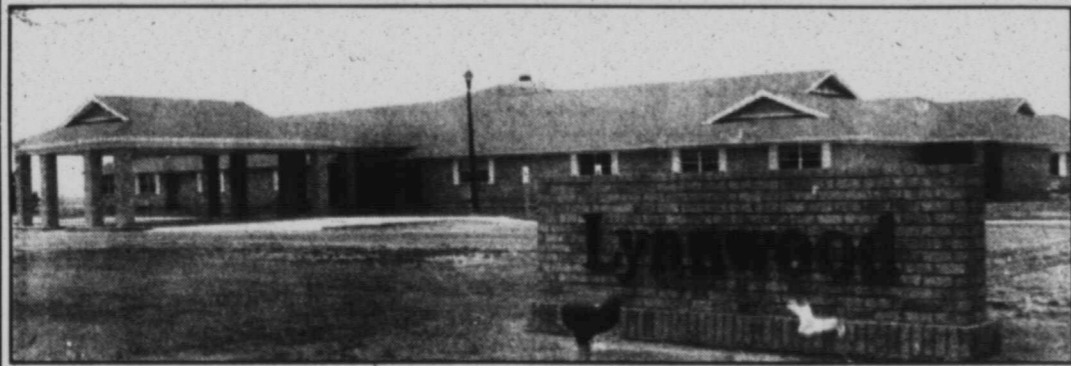
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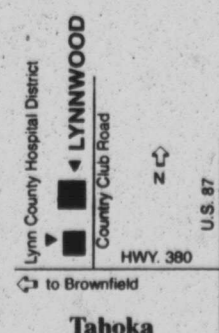
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We wish to express our appreciation for the flowers, food, visits, phone calls, and most of all, your prayers, during the loss of our loved one, Leonor Saldaña. Thanks again to our friends and relatives who were there for us.

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The Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 requires the Tahoka Housing Authority to prepare an Annual Plan covering operations of the Public Housing Program. On Friday, January 5, 2007, at 12:00 p.m. the Board of Commissioners for the Tahoka Housing Authority will hold a public meeting to receive comments on the Housing Authority's Annual Plan. The meeting will take place at The Center For Housing and Community Development located at 1400 Ave. K in Tahoka, Texas.

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

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Cancer Survivorship Program Seeking Volunteer Mentors

The Texas Cancer Council has recently awarded the YWCA of Lubbock a grant for the development of a program designed for the medically underserved cancer patients in Lubbock and surrounding counties.

Cancer is a disease handled by the patient with greater efficiency when he/she is informed and knows how to communicate their needs and feelings effectively. The Cancer Survivorship Program is designed improving the quality of life through better nutrition, physical activity, and positive mentoring support from another individual who can partner with a cancer survivor to share their own personal cancer experience. This grant provides to the cancer survivor several programs at little or no cost provided an individual is within income level guidelines.

Currently, the YWCA of Lubbock Cancer Survivorship Program is recruiting volunteers looking to help others face the journey through cancer and beyond life after cancer. The new program coordinator, Jan McCune, has coordinated classes in yoga, water aerobics at the YWCA Livemore Fitness Center, and massage therapy through Oceans Massage in Lubbock. These programs are being offered due to current studies through medical research and supported by the American Cancer Society as beneficial to the cancer survivor. A long-term study is now being conducted at M.D. Anderson on yoga-intervention and the improvement in patient stress levels and the positive impact on immune systems and hormone levels. Overall improved exercise and nutrition is known to benefit all individuals from cancer

prevention and improve the life quality of the survivor.

McCune is seeking individuals with a need to serve others as volunteer mentors. Ideally, these individuals are cancer survivors; people who have been diagnosed with cancer and include caregivers, family members, and friends.

"Survivors are facing many physical, social, spiritual and financial issues at diagnosis, during treatment and on-going life quality beyond cancer treatments. A system of individual mentoring is needed especially for our underserved patients. If you or someone you know could serve your neighbor in a mentoring capacity, I urge you to contact me to find out more about this rewarding project," said Mrs. McCune.

The training program now being developed will equip the volunteer with skills to support the survivor at all phases of the cancer treatment process.

"Our program objective is to have a means by which newly diagnosed persons and co-survivors will be matched with survivor mentors in order to share how they found ways of coping with their cancer experiences. By these means the patient is not alone in the journey, and the mentor is able to provide emotional support to the family as well," she added.

For more information contact YWCA of Lubbock, Jan McCune, 806-792-2723, ext. 242. Mentor Training classes will begin in January 2007. Classes for yoga, water aerobics, and massage therapy appointments are available now, please call for time, day, appointments and cost.



Rollover demonstration at Health Fair ... Tahoka elementary children pay close attention to the vehicle rollover demonstration at the Children's Health Fair recently, sponsored by Lynn County Hospital District and emergency response professionals. The rollover demonstration showed what can happen to a person (or in the demonstration, a "dummy") who is not wearing a seatbelt when a vehicle rolls, as shown by the dummy that has been thrown from the cab of the vehicle.

(LCN PHOTOS by Vondell Elliott)

PET TALK

What would you do if your child asked for a pet goat?

You could look into 4-H, where kids can learn about raising everything from rabbits to steers. For many children, 4-H (the four are head, heart, hands and health) animal projects can be some of the most educational and rewarding experiences in life, but there are important factors you and your children should thoughtfully consider before taking the leap.

"Raising animals in 4-H almost always requires a commitment from the entire family, but it is a great way for parents and children to spend time together," said Dr. Bruce Lawhorn, a professor and extension swine veterinarian in the College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences at Texas A&M University.

"The three main consider-

ations should be time, money and space."

Whether they choose small or large, caring for an animal of any kind requires time.

"Children should understand that every animal must be fed, watered and cleaned up after usually twice a day. Keep in mind that some animals, like rabbits and chickens, can be kept in the back yard while larger animals are usually housed some distance away, which can substantially lengthen the daily time commitment," said Lawhorn.

Before purchasing an animal, discuss the project's financial obligations with a veterinarian, your County Extension agent or anyone who has raised animals, particularly the type of animal you are considering. Costs will include the purchase price, veterinary care, feeding, housing and transportation of the

animal.

"Purchasing an animal may be your child's first lesson in financial responsibility," adds Lawhorn. "Children who are required by parents to earn the money to purchase their animals quickly learn how to research costs, budget and make wise purchases."

The type of animal you choose should depend on how much space is available to you. Children in rural areas will either have family property to keep the animals on, or have access to group housing located at fair grounds or other locations obtained through the County Extension agent.

Children in urban areas may find that rabbits, chickens and other small animals are the best and most economical choice for their space limitations.

Parents and children must research city ordinances, zoning laws and deed restrictions in advance to be sure their 4-H projects are in compliance. No one would want a child's project fouled through neighborhood

complaints of odor or health problems.

Children who participate in 4-H animal projects learn to set goals and achieve them. They develop a sense of self-confidence and responsibility, and often later pursue their interests, which began as 4-H projects. Some children follow their 4-H interests into careers in veterinary medicine, agricultural economics, academia or other animal related fields.

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BULLDOG Booster Club News

Don't miss out on all of the terrific Bulldog basketball action. The following is a lineup of the games scheduled between November 30 and December 6:

- Tournament play beginning on Thursday, November 30 through Saturday, December 2 for our JV and Varsity Bulldogs and Lady Bulldogs.

- Our Varsity Bulldogs will be playing in the Idalou Tourney. Times to be announced.

- Our Varsity Lady Bulldogs will be playing in the Levelland Tourney. Times to be announced.

- Our JV Bulldogs and Lady Bulldogs will be playing here at home in the Takoka JV Boys Classic and Tahoka 9th/JV Girls Tournament, respectively. Teams from Post [girls], Sundown, Idalou [girls], New Deal [girls], Coahoma, Cooper [boys] and Lorenzo [girls] will be in action here this weekend.

- Tournament play kicks off at 11:00am on Thursday, November 30 in our high school gym and continues through Saturday, Dec. 2 with our JV Lady Bulldogs playing against Lorenzo at approximately 5:00pm on Thursday, Nov. 30.

- Classic play kicks off at 3:30pm on Thursday, November 30 and also continues through Saturday, Dec. 2 with our JV Bulldogs playing against Cooper at approximately 6:30pm on Thursday, Nov. 30. The JV Bulldogs will also be playing on Friday, Dec 1 at 6:00pm against Coahoma and on Saturday, Dec. 2 at 5:00pm against Sundown.

Please come out and support our JV Bulldogs and Lady Bulldogs at home this weekend.

- Middle School Bulldog basketball play is scheduled for Monday, December 4 with Roosevelt. MS Bulldogs travel to Roosevelt; 7th grade begins at 5pm; 8th grade follows. MS Lady Bulldogs play at home; 7th grade begins at 5pm; 8th grade follows.

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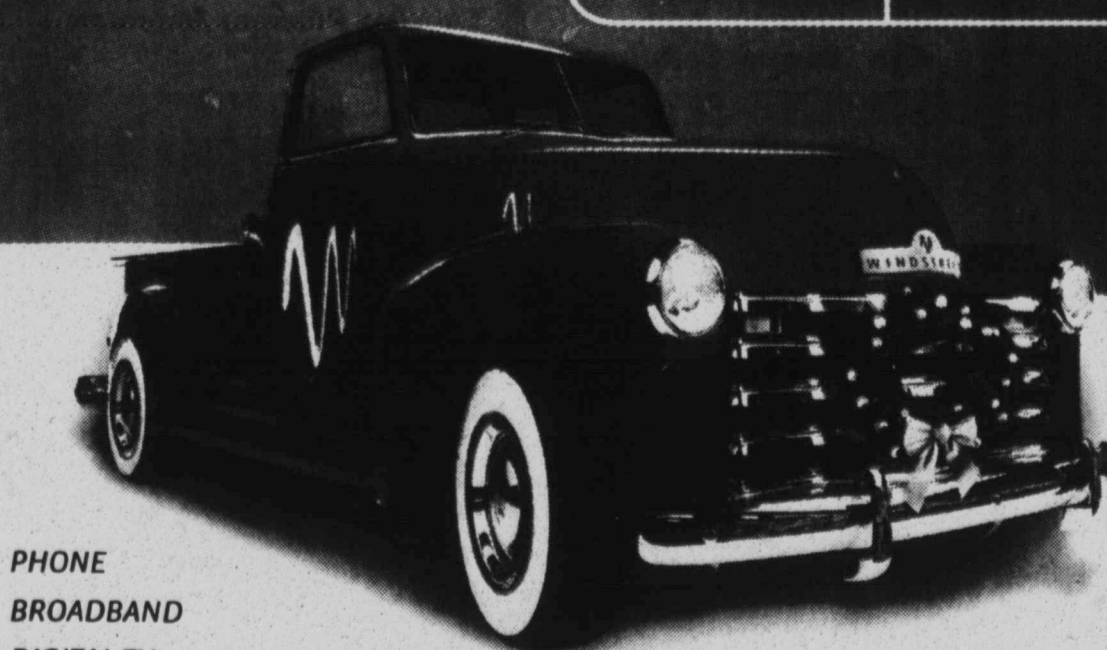
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