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Tahoka Wins Area Softball

The Tahoka Lady Bulldogs beat West Texas Stinnett 2-0 in the Class 2A area-round playoff game Tuesday night to advance to the regional quarterfinals round.

D'Maris Murillo carried a nohitter into the seventh inning for the Lady Bulldog's first playoff victory in the program's three seasons.

The Tahoka Ladies will face Sanford-Fritch in the regional quarterfinals.

In the area win, Murillo walked in the second inning and scored on an error. In the fourth, Tawynee Murillo singled home Sara Zuniga, who had reached on an error.

Murillo allowed only two walks and one ball out of the infield through six innings. In the seventh, back-to-back hits allowed two runners on base, but Murillo struck out the next two batters and coaxed a fly to center for the final out.

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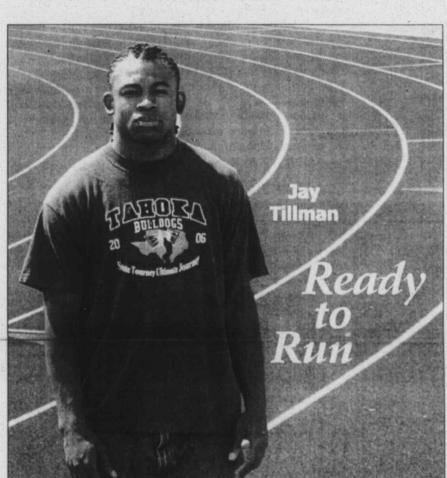
Tillman Eyes State 100m Dash Event

Tahoka High School senior Jay Tillman will compete in the State UIL Track Meet in Austin, in the Class AA 100m run event. Tillman ran the 100 meter dash in 10.96 seconds at the Regional track meet at Abilene, placing second to qualify for the state run. The state boys 2A 100m run will be held at approximately 1:15 p.m. on Saturday, May 12, at The University of Texas campus.

Tillman, son of Clifford and Linda

Oages of Tahoka, also competed in the Long Jump at regionals, where he placed 4th, and 7th in the Triple Jump competition. He was also a member of the Sprint Relay team, along with Kyle Preston, Britt Wuensche and Lance Murphy, which placed 9th at regionals.

Also competing in the regional track meet was Mitchell Chapa, 12th in the 400m run; Heath Ross, 15th in pole vault; and Ty Cloe, 23rd in the discus



Traffic Accident, Thefts Reported During Week

One traffic accident in Tahoka, and thefts of air compressors were among incidents investigated by peace officers in the county during the last week.

About 4:30 a.m. Monday a 2000 Ford Focus driven by Clifford Henry Ross, 21, of Lubbock, failed to negotiate a curve at the south end of the west access road to U.S. 87, and struck rocks in decorative landscaping 48 feet from the roadway. The car overturned, then came to rest upright. Ross was taken to Covenant Hospital in Lubbock by private vehicle for treatment of injuries not believed serious.

A 3-gallon Bosch air tank was stolen from a storage building at the Tahoka baseball park over the weekend, and a Honda air compressor with twin tanks valued at \$650 was reported stolen Monday from a 1997 GMC pickup owned by Freddie Kieth, while it was parked at his residence in New Home.

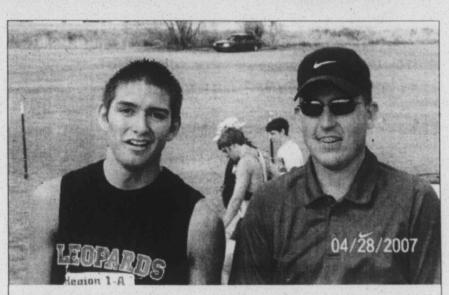
Police also investigated a report that on Monday someone had shot and killed a small Pekingese dog owned by Brandy Keith Isham of Tahoka.

Lynn County jail was still crowded with prisoners early this week as the number of persons incarcerated was at 54, including 32 held for Lynn County, 13 for Garza, and others for Lubbock, Dawson and Gaines counties.

Persons were jailed during the last week on these charges: warrants from Ector County, possession of marijuana, warrant on terroristic threat and assault, driving while intoxicated, driving while license invalid, bond surrender on possession of a controlled substance, warrant on evading arrest, public intoxication, and tampering with government records with intent to defraud plus resisting arrest.



Focus...ed on the rocks ... The 2000 Ford Focus above crashed into some decorative rocks as the driver missed a turn in south Tahoka early Monday. The 21-year-old Lubbock driver was taken to a Lubbock hospital for treatment of injuries not believed serious. (LCN PHOTO)



Let's go to Austin... Tyler Nieman (left) and Coach Shane Moore, New Home ISD, will be heading to Austin for the Class 1A State UIL Track Meet. Nieman qualified to compete in the 400m run event, after placing 2nd at regionals.

New Home Runner In State 400m Contest

Tyler Nieman will represent New Home High School in the Class A State UIL Track Meet, May 11-12, at Austin. Nieman will compete in the 400 meter dash. He placed 2nd in that event at the Regional Track Meet held Saturday in Levelland, clocking in at 50.7 seconds.

Nieman is the son of Robbi and Stella Nieman.

"Tyler's personal best this year is 50.4 seconds in the 400m run, but 50.7 was enough to qualify for state this year," said Coach Shane Moore.



Fun Fest Funds ... Steve Sherrill, President of Tahoka Rotary Club, (center) presents a check to Jim Morris, Administrator of Lynn County Hospital District (left) for proceeds raised at the Fun & Food Festival on April 14. Julia Allen (right) coordinated the event for LCHD and Rotary Club, who sponsored this year's fund-raiser. Total funds raised amounted to \$22,957 this year, which Morris says the hospital plans to use for replacing oxygen/suction outlets in patient rooms, surgery, ER and the nursery, as well as for updating patient rooms. (LCN PHOTO)

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AFTER ALL THESE years of scientific achievement and discovery, the eggheads with their super-duper telescopes (and whatever else they use) have discovered a new planet, which they say has earth-like conditions and could support human life.

Of course, it's outside the solar system, an estimated 120 trillion miles away, and you might have to add 1,500 miles to that, if you're planning to go, because you probably would have to go from Lynn County to Cape Kennedy first. The distance from here to the newly-discovered planet (which has been given the really dumb name of 581-C) is hard for the mind to grasp. Unless you're like a farmer I know who tries to put that many miles on his pickup before he trades it in.

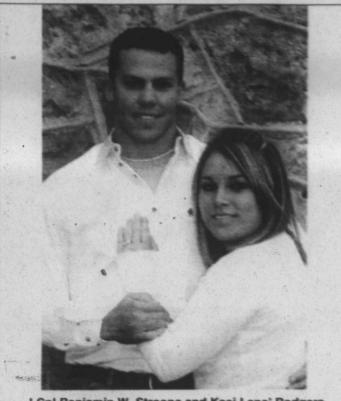
The planet is supposed to be suitable for human habitation although there are a few differences between its environment and that of earth. For one thing, its sun doesn't warm the planet as well as ours, and the length of a day is something like 38 hours instead of 24.

Another difference is that the air is almost twice as heavy as that on earth, which likely would restrict physical activity of humans, at least until they get acclimated. The high jump record on 581-C probably would be about three feet, and it would take a good athlete maybe 10 minutes to run a mile. (It would take me about two days).

Tiger Woods probably couldn't hit a drive more than 130 yards. That might be good for him; he'd know how the rest of us feel now.

I think we should colonize the planet as soon as possible. Let's make up a list of people to send immediately, starting with Jesse Jackson, Nancy Pelosi, Jane Fonda, Osama bin Laden and all the Philadelphia Eagles' football fans.

THE SLACKER on Sixth St. says "hard work pays off in the future. Laziness pays off now."



LCpl Benjamin W. Stroope and Kaci Lane' Rodgers Couple Announce Engagement

Kaci Lane' Rodgers of Lamesa and LCpl Benjamin W. Stroope of Tahoka announce their engagement and upcoming marriage.

Rodgers is the daughter of Lana Rodgers and Wayne Rodgers, both of Lamesa. She is the granddaughter of Terry and Clara Grimes of Brownwood, Mary Ann Rodgers and Harold Rodgers, both of Lamesa, and the late Wayne House.

Stroope is the son of Judge Ginger and Todd Henry of Tahoka, and Dwight Stroope of Lamesa. He is the grandson of Harry and Deloris Short of Tahoka, and the late Bennie and Mary Arend and Winfred and Mary Stroope.

The future bride will graduate from Klondike High School in May and plans to attend college in Jacksonville, N.C.

Stroope is a 2003 graduate of Tahoka High School, He is currently a Lance Corporal in the United States Marine Corps. stationed at Camp LeJeune, N.C.

The couple plan to wed on June 23, 2007 at the Barron Building in Lamesa.

Bulldog Band Boosters Meeting Set May 3

The Tahoka Bulldog Band planning the Band Banquet and Boosters will have a meeting on the election of new officers for Monday, May 3 at 5:45 p.m. in the Tahoka High School LRC. for May 7, but due to conflicts with a Banquet, meeting is set for

Boosters will be discussing the final details of the band trip,

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Lynn County Little League Sponsors Benefit Hit-A-Thon, Cookout May 4

Little League Teams will have their only fundraising event this year, by having a Hit-A-Thon and Cookout to be held Friday. May 4, with registration beginning at 5:30 pim., at the Tahoka Little League/Softball Complex. The Hit-A-Thon will begin at 6:00 p.m. with Tee Ball. Minors and Majors.

There will be a cookout held at the complex with hamburgersasausage wraps and homemade ice cream for sale.

"Every player will get one pitch from the pitching machine. or one swing at the tee for every 52 in donations received (i.e.\$20) = 10 swings/pitches)," said a board member.

Book Sale

Continues at

City-Co. Library

Tahoka this week is continuing

their "giant" book sale through

May 5. According to Library

Director Claudia Guin, there are

many books to choose from, as

well as a good number of VHS

tapes. The sale started Monday.

Prices range from 25e to \$1 per

in the small classroom at the Life

Enrichment Center, 1717 Main

Street, during regular library

hours which are Monday-Thurs-

day: 11 a.m-1 p.m. and 2 p.m.-7

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new materials for the library.

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urday 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

The book sale is being held

The City-County Library in

purchase equipment and help maintain the field while generating enthusiasm for Little League

Tee Ball players will hit a pre-determined number of baseballs off a batting tee as far as possible for prizes. All Minors and Majors will be pitched to by the pitching machine to compete for prizes. The players will compete within their division for longest hitter: Measurement will be taken at the point at which the ball stops moving. Foul balls will not be measured.

The more sponsored money raised, the more balls to hit. All prizes will be awarded after the Hit-A-Thon.

Phebe K. Warner **CLUB NEWS**

April 24 at the Life Enrichment Center with 11 members and 1 guest present. Hostesses were Shirley Draper and Trish Shemill.

Barbara White, President, called the meeting to order, report was made of the club making \$366.00 from the home-made ice cream booth at the fun Food Festival. All proceeds going to the Lynn County Hospital.

Jo Ann Dickson and Bettye Green gave reports of the State Convention held in Abilene. which they attended.

Claudia Guin, Director of the City-County Library presented the program, telling of the many services the library provides for the community. In addition to books, the library offers videos in VHS and DVD formats, audio books on tapes and discs, periodicals. IRS forms and informational brochures. The public access computers are wildly popular as well as the copiers.

Ms. Guin is also a Notary Public for the State of Texas and will be offering those services. The Summer Reading Program has attracted a large group of children. for toddlers to sixth graders, held in July each summer. The Third Thursday Theater is a new service offered by the library, a wonderful family outing, showing a movie based on a great book. There were 11,188 library materials checked out in 2006 and 1,992 computer

The City-County Library had its beginning in 1931 under the auspices of the Phebe K. Warner Club, from those humble beginnings the library catalog has grown to include over 15,000 titles. The Club members are so pleased to have Claudia Guin as the Director of the City-County Library and see her providing the best services she can for the com-

Ms. Guin said, "This is a very challenging job, I'm amazed at all that's involved, from writing grant applications to writing reports for those grants, deciding what materials to order, processing and getting the materials on the shelves. reports to State Library and West Texas Library System, attending workshops to get my-10 continuing education hours per year to keep my certificate, as well as special activities such as book sales, summer reading program, movie night, and the Harvest Festival to plan, promote and implement. It can get a little hectic -but I love

The next meeting will be May 8 at the First Methodist Church with Carol Headrick reviewing a book of her choice.



Masonic Lodge Awards... Tahoka Masonic Lodge 1041 met on Saturday, April 28, for an open meeting. Two members received Service Awards, from left, Brother Kenneth Carter, 60 year award, with District Deputy Grand Master Dan Swanson presenting the award, and Brother Eldon Carroll, 65 year. There were 40 registered members and guests present.

Tahoka I.S.D. Events Phehe K. Warner Club met Listed For May

This time of year becomes Church, 1:00 p.m. very busy for students and School wants to keep purents informed of upcoming end of year activities. The following events have been posted on the District Calendar. Parents are Church, 6:00 p.m. (Srs. Arrive emcouraged to keep this schedule for future reference.

Monday, May 1, N.H.S. induction Ceremony at High School Auditorium, 6:30 p.m. Saturday, May 5, Jr./Sr.

Prom. 7:00 p.m. Monday, May 7, Academic Banquet at the Center, 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 8, High School Awards Assembly at HS Audinorium, 2:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 8, FFA Banquet at the Center, 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 15: Middle

School Awards Assembly at HS Auditorium, 2:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 15, Band Banquet at the Center, 7:00 p.m. Thursday, May 17, 3D Band Concert at HS Auditorium, 7 p.m.

Friday, May 18, Baccalaute Practice at First Run

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. faved to 806/561-6308, or e-mail: lcnltahoka@poka.com or at LynnCoNews@poka.com.

Friday, May 18, Athletic parents. Tahoka High/Middle Banquet at the Center, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 19, Senior Party (Parent Sponsored)

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Sunday, May 20, Baccalaureate Services at First Baptist

Monday, May 21, Elem/MS Spring Band Concert at HS Auditorium, 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, May 24, Last day-, of classes, Early Dismissal

Friday, May 25, Senior Breakfast at First Baptist Church

Friday, May 25, Graduation Practice at HS Gym, 10:00 a.m. Friday, May 25 Senior Lunch at First United Methodist Church, 12:00 noon

Friday, May 25, Graduation at HS Gym, 7:00 p.m. (Seniors arrive dressed and on stage in HS auditorium by 6:00 p.m. for group picture)



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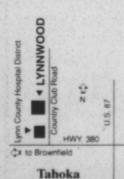
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Early Voting Continues For May Elections

Early voting for the May 12 elections continues through May 8 at various locations in Lynn County. A special Constitutional Amendment Election is being held statewide, with only one amendment on the ballot, regarding reduction of property taxes on homesteads of elderly/ disabled whose taxes were frozen at a higher rate than the 2006-07 tax years. Early voting for the Constitutional Amendment election will be held at the Lynn County Clerk's office, located on the first floor of the county courthouse.

Early voting for the Tahoka ISD election will also be conducted at the Lynn County Clerk's Office during regular business hours (8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday).

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Early voting for Wilson ISD election will be conducted at the Wilson ISD Business Office, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. on regular business days.

In O'Donnell, early voting for the city election will be held at O'Donnell City Hall, from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Monday-Friday, and the city office will remain open until 8 p.m. on a couple of days, May 3 and May 8, for early voting.

O'Donnell ISD will conduct early voting at the OISD Administration Office, from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. weekdays.

Joins Hands Day Set At Lynnwood

The youth of SPJST and the youth and adults of St. John Lutheran through Thrivent Financial for Lutherans Chapter 30126 will join together to do a community service project. They will go to Lynnwood Independent & Assisted Living Center in Tahoka on May 5 at 9:00 a.m. and plant flowers for the residents to enjoy and to beautify

The SPJST and Thrivent Financial for Lutherans is a fraternal insurance. They will provide the funding for this project.

Wilson SCHOOL MENU

May 7-11 Breakfast

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Wednesday: Breakfast Pizza Thursday: Pancakes

Friday: Breakfast Burrito Lunch Monday: Hot dog, oven fried potatoes, apple & orange smiles, sher-

bert cup Tuesday: Enchiladas, beans, salad, cinnamon apples

Wednesday: Chicken patty sandwich, trimmings, baked chips, fruit Thursday: Nachos Grande, Salad,

Friday: Sub Sandwich, chips, salad, brownie

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Birthday Celebration ... On Sunday, April 29, 2007, Roy Burdett and Pat Treadwell were honored with a joint birthday celebration. Roy turned 89 on that day and Pat was "a little over 29." Hosting the event was Roy's daughter and son-in-law, Peggy and Bobby Jolly of Tahoka, who prepared lunch for about 45 registered guests that included family, employees from Golden Plains Nursing Home, numerous people who have worked with Roy through the years in law enforcement, and friends. "Captain Roy" as he was known at Lynn County Sheriff's Office, had a 45-year law enforcement career in Borden, Dawson and Lynn Counties before retiring in 2003 at age 85. He moved to the convalescent home in Post in 2005, and says he plans to be around for a long time.

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May 12 Constitutional Amendment Election To Address Reduction of Frozen Taxes

by JUANELL JONES

An upcoming May 12 statewide special election for one constitutional amendment. which will be held in conjunction with local city and school elections, will allow voters in Texas to decide if elderly/disabled persons whose school property taxes are frozen, should be allowed a reduction in their taxes because of the lower rates. school districts imposed in 2006 and 2007. The amendment was proposed under Senate Joint Resolution No. 13 (S.J.R. No.

The special election ballot will have only one constitutional amendment for voters to consider, which will read: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for a reduction of the limitation on the total amount of ad valorem taxes that may be imposed for public school purposes on the residence homesteads of the elderly or disabled to reflect any reduction in the rate of those taxes for the 2006 and 2007 tax years.

In plain English, the amendment, if passed, would allow legislators to pass a law to reduce the amount of taxes paid by those whose taxes were frozen at a higher rate than the 2006 and 2007 rates for ad valorem taxes in school districts in Texas. School districts across Texas significantly reduced tax rates in 2006 and are expected to again lower tax rates in 2007.



praisal district.

at the Lynn County Appraisal District. "We don't know if the 2006 and 2007 tax rates would be figured on current homestead values, or at the value placed on the elderly and disabled prothe homestead at the time their taxes were frozen (at age 65, or harm school districts because the for disabled homeowners), or it Texas Constitution requires the is possible that a simple percent- legislature to provide for formuage reduction calculation may be las to protect school districts used," she added.

In Lynn County, the amendment would affect 577 taxpayers, including 539 whose school taxes are frozen by claiming the erly and disabled.

Whether the new calcula- over-65 homestead exemption, tions would be based on current and 38 whose school taxes are homestead values or values cal-sfrozen by claiming the disability culated at the time the taxes were exemption, according to figures frozen, is not known at this time, released by the Lynn County according to officials at the ap- Appraisal District. That's almost 15% of the 3,873 "owners" (in-"The amendment only des- cluding land, homes, commerignates that the taxes would be cial, mineral rights, etc.) on file reduced, but does not propose as taxpayers at the Lynn County how the rates would be figured. Appraisal District. In Tahoka If the amendment passes, state Independent School District, legislators would decide how to there are 1,760 owners, of whom calculate the reductions," said 282 have taxes frozen by claim-Marquita Scott, Chief Appraiser ing the over-65 homestead exemption, and 22 with the disability exemption.

> Proponents of the amendment say the added tax relief for posed by S.J.R. No. 13 will not against all or part of the revenue loss incurred by the implementation of the limitation on school district ad valorem taxes on the residence homesteads of the eld-



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mother and her nine-year-old daughter were also waiting. The daughter had

beautiful, long hair that reached almost to her waist. After the young girl went with

the stylist, I asked her mother, "Is she getting a perm or highlights?" "No," the

mother replied, "she's getting it all cut off." With tears in her eyes, the mother went

on to tell me that her child had seen a news report about how women with cancer

lose their hair from the treatments. Her daughter wanted to donate her hair to a

group that makes wigs for cancer patients. We watched as the stylist carefully

braided the hair. After confirming the girl's wishes, the stylist finally cut the hair

This young girl's gift awed me. I thought about my own giving. Jesus had been

willing to give his life for me, yet I sometimes see giving as nothing more than a

simple financial commitment. I had lost the ability to see the many ways I can give.

Prayer: Lord, help us to realize the multitude of ways we can

share your love with others. Amen.

God opened my eyes and my mind through a child's generosity.

Thought for the Day: We all have gifts to give.

Since I arrived early for my hair appointment, I went to the waiting area. A

strikes a blow against cancer

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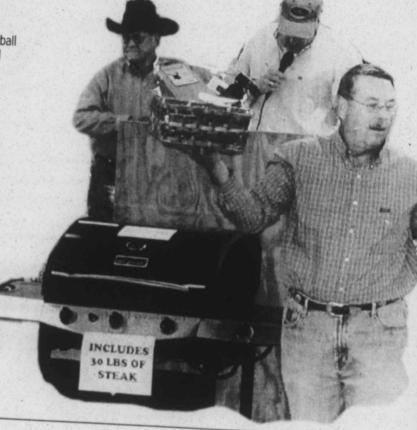
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On behalf of the Tahoka Rotary Club we wish to express our sincere appreciation for the tremendous support you gave our auction to benefit the Lynn County Hospital District. Our elub assumed the duties of the Ladies Hospital Auxiliary after 26 years of doing a wonderful job and raising thousands of dollars for the hospital. We appreciated the road they have paved for us to follow. A program can only be as successful as the people

associated with it. We had great participation from many facets of our community and with that participation we raised \$22,957! This auction surpassed our expectations. We wish to thank our generous communities for supporting this worthwhile cause and look forward to a long and prosperous relationship with the Lynn County Hospital District. Steve Sherrill

President, Tahoka Rotary Club

In the event a person's name has been omitted, you are asked to contact Julia Allen or Donna Raindl. We do not intend to overlook anyone who helped or contributed in any way, but it is not always feasible to write down names at the moment -- later they escape us!





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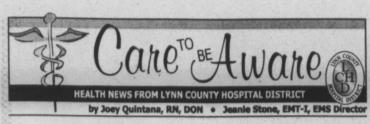
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A SAFE PROM

Spring is in the air and with it comes the proms and graduations that announce the approaching end of another school year. Though this is such a fun and exciting time for our kids, it can also be a worrisome time for parents, because, unfortunately, there are prom and graduation parties where alcoholic beverages are made available to thousands of teenagers

The Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission offers many helpful a party tips to parents such as "Parents: Don't Be a Party to Underage Drinking" which explains that it's against the law to make alcohol available to a person younger than 21 even in your own residence, even with their parent's permission. If you should break this law, you may face a maximum penalty of one year in jail, a \$4,000.00 fine and an automatic suspension of your driver's license for 180 days upon conviction. You can also be held civilly liable for damages caused by the intoxication of a minor younger than 18 if you knowingly provided alcohol or allowed the minor to be served alcohol on property owned or leased by you, and they, in turn, hurt someone, hurt themselves or damaged property

Also helpful are "Prom, Night Tips for Parents" which include: Make sure your teen has a plan

- for the evening and that you know what those plans are If you have alcohol in your
- home, take stock of it Know all of the "hot spot" des-
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- limo, check their policy on allowing alcohol in the vehicle Make sure that alcohol is not
- brought into your home or onto your property by your teen's friends Give your teen a curfew
- Communicate with other parents
- and school officials about prom plans Encourage seatbelt use – the best accessory!

Wilson ISD

Set For May 10

- · Do not rent hotel rooms for prom-goers
- Refuse to supply alcohol to
- Discuss the school's prom rules with your teen and the consequences for violating them
- Stay up for prom-goer's return

Other suggestions of "things parents can do" made by the TABC Be at home when your teen has

· Talk to other parents about not providing alcohol at events your teen will be attending (make sure

they know how you feel) Create alcohol-free activities

Even with these tips available to us as parents, we still know that young people sometimes make poor choices. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) Underage Alcohol-Related and Drunk Driving Statistics show that traffic deaths among teens during typical prom season weekends (March 1-May31) are higher than any other time of the

Another NHTSA statistic shows that in 2005, 290 young people ages 15-20 were killed in alcohol-related crashes. Of those 290 deaths, 198 involved a 15-20 year old alcoholimpaired driver, during prom

Encourage your teen to be aware of their surroundings and not get in a vehicle with someone else who may have been drinking or is otherwise impaired, or if they find themselves impaired. Remind your teens that they have choices, just because they may have made one bad choice doesn't mean they have to make another one by getting into a vehicle with an impaired driver or behind the wheel themselves. Let them know they can call you or another adult if they should need a ride.

After all, at the end of the night, we all have the same goal: to have everyone come home safe!

PreK Roundup

Wilson ISD will be hosting a Prekindergarten Roundup for parents and their children who may be eligible to attend Prekindergarten next year in Wilson. The Roundup, will be held on Thursday, May 10, at 9:00 a.m. at the elementary school. Parents of children that will be four years old prior to September 1, 2007 are invited to attend this meeting. Kids will have fun and many questions will be answered for parents.

Parents need to bring the following items to the meeting: The child's original birth certificate, social security card, and current immunization records. We will make copies and return the originals to you. State law requires that all students must be current on all immunizations before they will be allowed to attend school. Parents and four year olds are invited to stay and eat in the cafeteria following the Roundup meeting. The cost is \$1.60 for children and \$2.50 for adults.

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"We look forward to seeing you and your child," stated Mike Jones, WISD superintendent. Parents with questions may call Mr. Jones at 628-6261 ext. 104.

Cinco De Mayo Fiesta

If you would be interested in helping with this event in bringing some of the snacks please contact Mrs. Olivia Villarreal at 628-6261 ext 120, on or before April 25th. Mrs. Villarreal may also be contacted at home 628-

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Wilson School would like remind parents that our CINCO coordinator for passenger safety. DE MAYO fiesta is coming up on Thursday, May 3, from 2:00-3:15 in the library. Students in Pre-K grade will have special snacks to celebrate CINCO DE MAYO. We would like to invite you to come and enjoy with your children. We would also like to encourage the children to dress nicely for this special occasion. For example, boys can wear jeans or slacks with a white shirt or any other color will be fine. Girls may wear skirts that have green, red or any bright colors. As always, please do not feel that you need to go out and buy something for your children to wear just dress them nicely! We will encourage children to use correct table manners while they enjoy their snacks.





TMS Band Sweepstakes ... Late last Thursday evening at the Floydada Middle School Band Festival, the Tahoka Middle School Symphonic Band performed and earned I's in Concert and Sightreading, thus entitling them to a sweepstakes trophy. They played Coronation Fanfare and Furioso, which is on the 1A UIL contest list. In addition, Nan'C Munoz earned a 1st division on her flute solo. "The judges were very complimentary and we are proud of these young people's performance. Not only did they represent the school well, but when they went out to eat in Lubbock, they were very courteous and polite," stated directors Carroll Rhodes and Jimmy Cannon. On Monday, May 21, the 6th grade band, the TMS Concert Band, & the TMS Symphonic Band will perform their annual spring concert at 7:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium. All are invited to attend this free concert.

Click It or Ticket: Buckle Up

submitted by Amy Baugh, Texas Cooperative Extension, Lynn County

"Never mind mosquitoes, bees or ants: With the coming of warmer weather, Texans are likely to be bitten by the travel bug, said Bev Kellner, Texas Cooperative Extension program

But some of those travelers may not reach their destinations, she said. The numbers are especially grim for those in rural areas and those traveling in pickup

Studies show that 56 percent of pickup crash fatalities in Texas happened in rural areas, compared to 44 percent in urban areas," Kellner said.

That's why every spring the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration sponsors a campaign to increase safety

Click It or Ticket is a twoweek-long program designed to emphasize the ease and cost effectiveness of using a seat belt. Marked each year to include the Memorial Day weekend, this year Click It or Ticket is scheduled for May 21-June 3.

'Safety belt use is the singlemost effective way to protect against injury and death in traffic crashes," Kellner said. "Using safety belts does not cost a dime ≠- not using them will cost you a citation during the May "Click It or Ticket" mobilization.'

Law enforcement officers across the state will be extra vigilant in enforcing safety belt usage laws, she said. So not only does "clicking it" save lives, it can also save the cost of a ticket.

In addition, the Buckle Up In Your Truck campaign, which will be conducted during the same two weeks, is "aimed at 18to 34-year-old men who do not consistently wear their safety belts in their pickup trucks," Kellner said.

This campaign, which focuses on pickup truck drivers and passengers in Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Arkansas and the Indian Naions, continues throughout May, she added.

According to information from the traffic safety administration, from 2001 to 2005, 1,444 people died in pickup truck rollover crashes in Texas.

Pickup trucks generally are larger than cars, and owners tend to feel safer in them, she said.

But pickup trucks roll over twice as often as passenger cars," Kellner said. "And 65 percent of the rollover fatalities in pickup trucks were unrestrained, compared to 60 percent in all passenger vehicles.

Wearing a safety belt reduces the risk of dying in a rollover pickup truck crash by up to 80 percent, according to figures from the highway traffic safety administration.

Safety belt use is higher in passenger vehicles, Kellner said. Last year in Texas, that rate of usage was 90.4 percent in passenger vehicles and 86.4 percent in pickup trucks.

Those may be a lot of numbers to keep in mind when planning a spring or summer vacation getaway, Kellner said, so keep it simple: Just remember "Click It or Ticket."

"Take those few seconds to buckle up on ever trip," she said. "It may very well save your life."

For more information visit Web at http:// www.buckleupinyourtruck.com/ or http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/.





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Betty Jean Linder

Graveside services for Betty Jean Linder, 76, of O'Donnell were held Tuesday, May 1, at 3:00 p.m. at the O'Donnell Cemetery, with Rev. Darris Linder officiating, under the direction of White Funeral Home in Tahoka.

She died Sunday, April 29, 2007 at her residence in O'Donnell. She was born August 3, 1930 to Alvie Owen and Ruby I. Duncan Owen. She married Audie Linder on Feb. 12, 1947 in Austin, Tx. In 1972 they moved to the O'Donnell area where they worked for the R.E. Janes Gravel Company. She was employed with the company for 50 years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in O'Donnell. She was a lecturer for Weight Watchers in the Lamesa area for 15 years.

Survivors include two sons, Wayne and wife, Linda of Lubbock, and Darris and wife Jeanette of Slaton; one sister, Mrs. Virginia Camp and husband Wayne of Kemp, Texas.

Mrs. Linder was preceded in death by her husband, parents. two brothers, George Ray Owen and Jerry Eugene Owen, two sisters, Josephene Cravey and Barbara Ann Moore.

Memorials may be made to the Mercy Retreat Center at P.O. Box 744 Slaton, Texas 79364.

Senior Citizens MENU

May 7-11

Monday: Baked chicken w/ mushrooms, au Gratin potatoes, greens, rolls, cinnamon apples

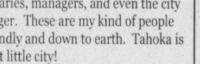
Tuesday: Beef spaghetti, Italian veg., salad, garlic bread, peaches w/ topping

Wednesday: Pork chops, new potatoes, steamed broccoli w/ cauliflower, rolls, junk cake

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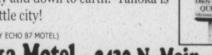
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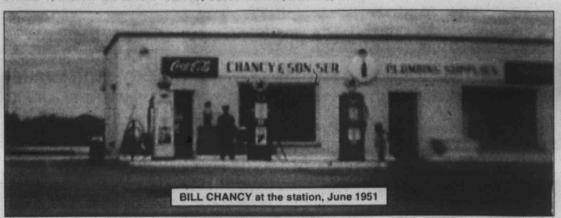
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Chancy Closes Fuzzy's Place After 60-Year Era in Tahoka

by JUANELL JONES

It was January of 1948. Gasoline was 12-cents a gallon, and young Bill Chancy was at mid-term of his final year at Tahoka High School, having just discovered that his coursework would need to be extended an extra year in order to qualify for a diploma. Another year of school was an option that was not in his plans, and Bill asked his father, Ted "T.T." Chancy, what other options he might con-

"Son," he told Bill, "if this is what you want to do, I will help you buy the grocery and gas station." And so began a new chapter in young Bill's life - a career choice that would provide for his family for the next 60 years, and bring the world to his door - one vehicle at a time.

"My dad borrowed \$348 to buy Lemon Grocery, which was a grocery store and gas station and it took us five years to pay it back ... one of the hardest things we ever did," Chancy remembers. "Gas was 12-cents a gallon, milk was 10-cents a quart, and bread was 10-cents a loaf - and okay, the prices were better then but I wouldn't trade those days for now, because nowadays I've got the money to pay for bread and milk and gasoline, Back then I didn't," he says with a smile.

Bill discovered he liked the grocery and gas station business, but he really wanted his own place. So he and his dad rolled up their sleeves, picked up their hammers, and started building from the ground up. By September of 1948, he and his dad moved into their brand new business home - albeit a home without any doors, because they hadn't gotten to that part of the building plan yet.

"We moved in on Sept. 1, with no front door or back door. When we'd close for the day, we auto parts business in 1958, buy-

just pushed a sheet of plywood up against the doorframes and propped it up with cases of oil. Nobody bothered anything. We were there 18 months before we ran a \$100 worth of a business in one day ... but I still remember one of the best days back then, on July 5, 1948 - that was the day I fixed 40 flats in one day. I remember we were the only place open for business in Tahoka that day, everybody else was closed because of the July 4 holiday, but not us. So I fixed 40 flats ... that was \$15 of profit for us!" he says with a laugh.

The name on the front of the building was "Chancy & Son" and to this day people think that was because he and his father went into the service station business together. Not true, says

"My dad never had anything to do with the service station. He had a plumbing supply business, and we had both businesses at the same location. The name actually came from Oscar Whitaker, who worked at the telephone station. We wanted one phone for both businesses, the grocery/gas station and the plumbing service, and Oscar said that was too long a name to put in the phone book. So he named it Chancy & Son, and that's what it has been all these years," explained Bill.

It has also been known as "Fuzzy's Place," a nickname for Bill that apparently comes from his longtime tradition of sporting a long - and fuzzy - beard. For years now, that long white fuzzy beard has contributed to a timehonored role of a red-suited jolly fellow that Bill is well known for playing in this area.

The Chancy & Son station offered groceries along with gasoline for about the first ten years, and then Bill added the ing out Ed Hamilton Auto Parts here. Bill and his dad also added on to their building, and in 1965 Bill bought out the Western Auto Store in Slaton, adding one more section to his building to house the merchandise.

Business was good in the 1950s and early 1960s, with Chancy providing auto service for not only the Tahoka and surrounding area, but also for people passing through the area on Highway 87. He says he met lots of good folks, as well as some folks who were famous. and one person in particular who was not yet famous, but just a few years later became a very well known entertainer.

"I had a kid working for me, name of Fred Pergason, and he was waiting on a guy at the pump. I noticed they got to talking, and in a little bit this guy pulled his car around to the side of the building and he and Fred were sitting on the fenders of an old blue Chrysler I had sitting there. I finally asked Fred if he was going to get back to work anytime soon, and he said, 'Well, this feller here is from Tennessee and I'm from Arkansas, and we're just talking about that and catching up on some things.' So I let him talk, and in a little bit Fred took this guy to dinner, and then they came back to the station, and both of them had their guitars out and were playing music, back to sitting on the fenders of my Chrysler. Finally, the guy left, and the only comment I made to Fred was, 'That guy needs a haircut.' He told me the guy's name was Elvis Presley - course that didn't mean a thing to me back then." Bill says. That was in 1956, and it wasn't too much later that Presley became famous.

Roy Rogers came through in a big motor home, on his way to Guthrie to make a movie, and Bill says he was very friendly. George Mahon stopped once and started talking to Bill, and within 30 minutes Bill says he had a roomful of men who stopped in to visit with the politician. O'Donnell's famous son, Dan Blocker, who portrayed Hoss Cartwright on the television show, "Bonanza" stopped in several times after he became famous, and a guy named Frog Millhouse also visited the station. Millhouse was a wellknown sidekick in the cowboy film industry.

Closing up shop ... Bill Chancy is closing Chancy &

Son, or Fuzzy's Place, after nearly 60 years of operation in

Tahoka. He started the business

in 1948, and he and his father

built the shop with their own hands. In the photo at right,

taken in June 1951, Bill holds

daughter, Susan (now Tipton).

In 1967, the Texas Highway Department had a huge impact on Chancy's business. That was the year that Highway 87, which had passed right in front of the station, was moved to bypass Main Street in Tahoka. The move put Chancy's station out of the mainstream of traffic, and business was never the same.

"When the highway went around us in 1967, that killed us," Chancy recalls. "But, we still ran the gas pumps, and we had added the auto inspection business about 1960. Actually, my wife, Frances, was the seventh woman in Texas to have an inspection license. I'm pretty sure the cost of an inspection at that time was about \$5," he

In 1989 the Environmental Protection Agency pulled Chancy's gasoline pumps, after Chancy determined he had a gas

"It was the newest tank I had, and we suspected we had a gas leak. We shut everything down and discovered that it was leakng somewhere. I let the EPA know. They called me on a Friday and said they were coming, and then they pulled my pumps on the following Monday - it was Feb. 13, 1989. I had lost a total of 1500 gallons, and the cost of meeting the new EPA requirements was just too high, so we quit selling gas," said

Chancy kept the station open, however, offering auto servicing, oil changes, inspections and auto parts. And in 1991, Bill and his wife Frances

added lottery ticket sales. "We did really well with the lottery tickets for about five years. Then the state closed the frontage road in 1996, and that stopped all the traffic coming from the south. We lost lots of business from that, and we finally quit selling the lottery tickets in 2001," he said.

In recent months, Chancy decided to sell the building that has been in his family for nearly the last 60 years, to Wildcat Manufacturing. He says, though, that he will have access to the pit in the garage, and he plans to continue offering oil changes for customers who call him.

"The main reason I closed is because we were quitting the inspection business - all of that has gone to computerized systems now. But if somebody wants an oil change, they can still call

Texas FSA Seeks Proposals for New Conservation Initiative

Texas Farm Service Agency (FSA) is asking federal, state and local agencies as well as private or non-profit organizations to submit proposals for a new 500,000-acre Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) program to improve habitat for high-priority wildlife species nationwide. Nearly 40,000 acres has been allocated to Texas

"The State Areas for Wildlife Enhancement (SAFE) initiative provides an opportunity to develop grassroots conservation projects to address high priority wildlife needs through habitat restoration," said Rodney Schoppa Name, Executive Director for the Lynn County FSA. "This initiative further extends the positive environmental impacts of the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)." With more than 36 million acres enrolled, CRP is the nation's largest, voluntary private-lands conservation program. CRP practices improve water quality, air quality and wildlife habitat.

SAFE will enable the public, producers, state and federal agencies, non-profit conservation organizations and others to propose areas where new CRP acreage may be established to address the habitat needs of endangered, threatened or high-

He and his family have moved stacks and stacks of auto parts, accumulated from the past 60 years, to storage at his home in

"This business has been really good to me. We were able to raise seven kids, and they all worked there, and all my grandkids worked there. I've got no complaints. And over the years I've had many a kiddo working here, and of course there was always an 'old man' or two around. My uncle, Jim Pegram, worked here for years, and Pop Fallen, who ran a station in O'Donnell for years, later worked for me. I paid him by the gallon, whatever he sold at the pumps. Then there was Ted Kowalski, Shorty Hester, my dad when he retired, Joe Bob Billman, Red Brown ... and others," said Chancy.

After nearly 60 years, the closing of "Chancy & Son" signifies the end of an era that propop small businesses that rural Americans recall with such fondness. For Bill Chancy, the decision he made 60 years ago to proved to be the right one.

priority fish and other wildlife species. In addition, conservation practices currently offered under CRP can be fine-tuned

under SAFE to improve, connect

or create higher-quality habitat

to promote healthier ecosystems

in areas identified as essential to

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effective species management. Interested entities can submit a SAFE proposal for consideration to the local FSA Office or directly to the Texas FSA State Office attention: Sammy Orange, Conservation Chief: PO Box 2900, College Station. Texas 77841. Although no deadline for submitting proposals has

been set, Schoppa encourages

organizations to "act quickly." The national FSA office in Washington, D.C. has set a November I deadline for receipt of all state proposals," said Schoppa. "Because these proposals must go through a twotier review process at the state level prior to review in Washington, we would like to begin receiving proposals as soon as pos-

Eligible landowners in approved SAFE areas may enter USDA's Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC). Approved program participants will receive an annual CRP rental rate equivalent to soil rental rates for the county plus an annual maintenance payment.

Also, the producer is eligible for cost-share assistance of up to 50 percent of eligible practice installation costs. In addition, producers will be eligible for a one-time payment of \$100 per acre signing Incentive Payment. Producers may also receive a practice incentive payment equal to 40 percent of the eligible establishment costs of the practice.

For SAFE proposal details and protocol, contact the Lynn County FSA at 806-998-4501 or visit the national web site at: http://www.fsa.usda.gov; click on "Conservation Programs."



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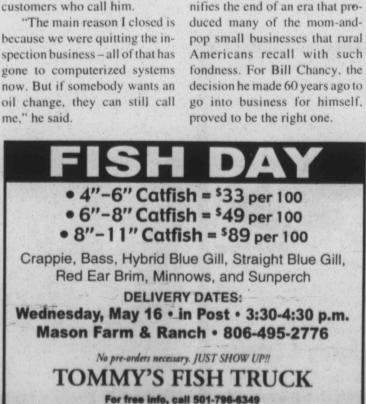
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Tyler runs ... Tyler Nieman from New Home (second from left) runs in the 400m run at the Class 1A Regional Track Meet at Levelland last Saturday. He placed 2nd in the event, qualifying for the State UIL Track Meet in Austin, May 11-12.

Mission Trip

Rebekah Bartley has volunteered to go on a Mission Trip this summer to Niger, Africa. She will be working with children and the youth while there.

She would like to take the following supplies to the children: Texas Flags, children's books, stickers, color books or anything related to Texas. If you would like to donate any of these items, please contact Rebekah or Mrs. Durham.

SmaCD News

On Thursday, May 10, the members of smaCD will be holding a day long Summit for grades 7-12 starting at 8:00 a.m. and all parents and community members are invited to attend. Come and see what a group of High School Students have put together for their peers.

School Calendar

May 7- Girl's and Guy's Night Out at 6 p.m., Jr. High Athletic Banquet May 8- Senior Supper at the Baptist Church, Kindergarten Graduation May 9-smaCD Round Table at 7 a.m., 3rd Grade Swim Party, 8th Grade Field Trip May 10-1st Grade Field Trip, Fac-

ulty Party

May 11-12- FFA Area Convention

First-Time Home Buyer Bond Programs Offered

The Lubbock Housing Finance Corporation and the South Plains Housing Finance Corporation are working together to make special mortgage financing available for low to moderate income first time buyers. The financing is made possible through the issuance of tax-exempt mortgage revenue bonds by both organizations, and is available to all counties served by SPAG, including Lynn

The proceeds of both bond issues total \$37.5 million. All funds are available to low and moderate income "first-time" buyers (defined as those who have not owned their own home in the last three years)

Buyers may purchase homes within the City and County of Lubbock, as well as homes located anywhere within the following counties served by South Plains Association of Governments: Bailey, Cochran, Crosby, Dickens, Floyd, Garza, Hale, Hockley, Lamb, Lynn, Motley, Terry and Yoakum.

77th Annual Meeting of

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Both programs allow qualified buyers to purchase homes ranging from very low sales prices (there is no minimum price) to homes priced as high as \$237,031 depending on the buyer's debt structure and other factors. The average price of homes purchased under these programs is anticipated to be approximately \$100,000.

Persons interested in the program should apply as soon as

For more information about the First-Time Buyer Bond Programs, contact the Lubbock Housing Finance Corporation at 806-745-9559.

Annual Tahoka All-Sports Reunion Set For July 14

Former Tahoka Bulldogs are invited to share fellowship and fun with their former classmates and teammates at the semi-annual Athletics Reunion that will be held at T-Bar Country Club on Saturday, July 14, 2007.

The Golf Tournament will begin at 10:00 until completed. The Green Fee is \$15 and Cart Fce is \$15, and dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. and cost is \$10 per plate. Music and dancing will follow evening meal, at 8:00

An RSVP is required for the tournament and dinner by May 30. Contact Alan Curry at 806-698-0400 or email him at alcurry@sbcglobal.net or 5109 82d # 7237, Lubbock, TX 79424.

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New Home Coop Gin Annual Meeting Set

The 77th Annual Meeting of the New Home Coop Gin will be held Monday, May 7 at the Plains Cotton Cooperative Association meeting room located at 3301 East 50th Street in Lub-

Registration and dinner will be at 6:30 p.m.

Tumblers Compete In Shallowater

The Tahoka Tumblers competed in the Shallowater Tumbling meet in Saturday, April 28. The following entries awarded were: First Place: Karlie Swinford, Jody Nevill, Nadalie Carrasco, Marcos Pedroza, Gabby Garcia, Aly Dotson, MyKeah DeLeon, Shelby Meeks, Layney Vega, Haley Stephens, Yulissa Villegas, Tari Anna Pena, Breanna Littrell and Kristal Devine.

Second Place: Alex Tew. Ragan Whitley, Gabrielle Littrell; Alyssa Rodriquez and Katelynn Quinn.

Third Place: Haley Kizer, Bryanna Pedroza, MaKennah Engle, Callie Nevill and Madison Moya.

DPS Institutes New Internship Program For Trooper Recruits

The first interns have been selected for a new program that will help the Texas Department of Public Safety retain trooper applicants until the next recruit school begins.

"In the past, we would often lose qualified recruits to other law enforcement agencies because of the wait until a recruit school begins. Now, we have the ability to employ them immediately and begin their training before the recruit school," said Col. Thomas A. Davis Jr.

The new program will provide the intern with a broad overview of the Department. The first part of the internship program is a weeklong orientation at terns then go to a field office for the remainder of the internship, learning more about the Texas Highway Patrol, the Driver License Division, the Criminal Law Enforcement Division and the Texas Ranger Division.

"This paid internship program will allow our recruits to learn more about DPS and its they go through the 27-week recruit school in Austin," Col. Davis said. "We are pleased that we will be able to keep these qualified recruits on board until we can place them in a class."

Two recruits - one from Laredo and one from McAllen have already begun internships and will be part of the recruit school scheduled to begin on Sept. 30, 2007.

Anyone interested in applying to the DPS Training Academy should contact DPS recruiters at 1-866-TXTROOP (898-7667). Additional information is accessible on the DPS Web site, www.txdps.state.tx.us, and application packets can be picked up at any DPS office.

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(Eleccion SOBRE ENMIENDAS A LA CONSTITUCION) To the Registered Voters of the County of Lynn, Texas: (A los votantes registrados del Condado de Lynn, Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. May 12, 2007, for voting in a Constitutional amendment election.

(Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 12 de mayo de 2007 para votar en la elccion sobre enmiendas a la constitucion.)

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

1, 5, 6, 7, 9, 12, & 14 - Life Enrichment Center in Tahoka 2 & 8 - Green Museum in Wilson

3 & 10 - O'Donnell High School

4, 11 & 13 - New Home City Hall Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at

(La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en) Lynn County Clerk's Office, Lynn County Courthouse between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 30, 2007 (entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el 30 de abril de 2007) and ending on May 8, 2007 (y terminando el 8 de mayo de 2007).

Issued this the 24th day of April 2007. (Emitada este dia 24 de abril de 2007) /s/ H.G. Franklin, Lynn County Judge



Yellow-Headed Blackbirds ... Carissa Nevill of Tahoka took this photo of some yellow-headed blackbirds in her back yard. Several Tahokans have commented on seeing the brightly-colored birds, and Charlie Boles believes they traveled here from Wyoming, according to a book on ornithology. Mrs. Nevill says the male birds have a bright yellow head with a black body and a patch of white on their wings which barely shows up until they take flight.

LCHD To Get \$30,023 In Tobacco Settlement Funds

Comptroller Susan Combs has distributed \$82.7 million to Texas communities from the Tobacco Settlement Permanent Trust Account, including \$30,023.87 to Lynn County Hospital District. Combs says the money will help three cities, 160 counties and 133 hospital districts recover their costs for indigent health care provided during 2006.

"Since 2001, Texas" settlement with tobacco companies has helped folks who cannot afford health care,' Combs said. "Tobacco settlement money helps local communities provide access to health care, regardless of patients' ability to pay.

The Tobacco Settlement Permanent Trust Account, established after the state settled a lawsuit against tobacco companies, has grown to a \$2.3 billion trust fund. The Comptroller manages and oversees the fund, with the guidance of the 11-member Tobacco Settlement Permanent Trust Account Investment Advisory Committee.

Cities, counties and hospital DPS headquarters in Austin. In- districts receive annual distributions of tobacco settlement money, based upon the amount of unreimbursed indigent health care they report to the Texas Department of State Health Services. The 2006 figure for unreimbursed health care expenditures for Lynn County Hospital District was \$688,541.

Jim Morris, LCHD Adminisvarious responsibilities before trator, explains how the hospital arrives at those figures.

"According to the state form that we fill out each year; the definition of 'Total Unreimbursed Health Care Expenditures' for a hospital district is defined as 'the total amount of taxes collected by the hospital district, together with the un-reimbursed amounts expended by a county coterminous with such hospital district for jail health care.' We obtain the numbers the county has expended for un-reimbursed jail health care directly from the county," he said.

"The state has a standardized formula that determines each year's tobacco fund expenditure to a hospital district based on these combined amounts and how much. money is currently in the state fund. We then receive a letter from the state as to the amount we should be receiving. When we receive the funds, we then cut a check to the county based on the percentage of the county's expenditures for jail health care relative to the overall combined total described above. This is not required, but we do it as a courtesy to the county. At the moment, I don't believe we have yet received the funds," Morris added.

Morris said the tobacco settlement funds are supposed to help offset some of the hospital district's unreimbursed health care expenditures, but in reality "are almost meaningless in comparison to the amounts that the hospital district writes off each year for services provided to the un-insured, under-insured, denied claims and uncollectible debts."

THS Freshmen Orientation Set Here May 14

Tahoka High School will hold Freshmen Orientation on Monday, May 14 at 6:30 p.m. in the High School auditorium. All current eighth graders and their parents are encouraged to attend this meeting. Mrs. Binder will present information regarding Texas graduation plans and student planning for success. High school extra curricular organizations will also present information and answer questions.

Registration packets for the 2007-08 school year will also be distributed.

Anyone with questions may contact Mrs. Binder at 561-

New Home SCHOOL MENU

Breakfast

Monday: Cinnamon French Toast Tuesday: Cherry Turnover Wednesday: Biscuit Sausage Thursday: Breakfast Taco Friday: NO SCHOOL Lunch

Monday: Chicken Fried Steak sandwich. French fries, pear cup Tuesday: Corn dog, breaded okra, carrot cucumbers, Cal. Blend veggies, grapes-

Wednesday: Pizza, lettuce/tomato, corn, pudding cup

Thursday: Chopped steak, whipped potatoes, green beans, rolls, mixed fruit cup Friday: NO SCHOOL

Notice of Public Auction

Saturday, June 2, 2007 • 10 a.m.

Northeast Corner of US Hwy. 380 and US Hwy. 87 Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas

ITEMS TO BE SOLD:

Sliced jalapeños - 803 cases, each containing 12 cans

■ Bottled Hot Sauce - 288 cases, each containing 12 bottles Coffee - 350 cases, each containing 6 cans

 ➤ Powdered Chocolate Milk - 100 cases, each containing 12 cans

Refried Beans - 117 cases, each containing 12 cans

Serranso Peppers - 162 cases, each containing 12 cans

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