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Happy Easter!

Sunday  
March 23



## Bale Count

3/18/2008

Texas Star Gin, Wilson/Union ...	*145,156
New Home Coop, Lakeview .....	*108,905
Woolam Gin, O'Donnell .....	*73,689
Farmers Coop Assn. #1 Tahoka ...	71,672
Farmers Coop, O'Donnell .....	*67,539
Wells Coop Gin .....	56,578
Grassland Coop Gin .....	*26,285
Close City Gin, Post .....	*17,876

**TOTAL 567,700**

\*Final Bale Count

## Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Mar. 12	79	37	
Mar. 13	71	41	
Mar. 14	85	42	
Mar. 15	69	39	
Mar. 16	74	38	
Mar. 17	71	41	0.02"
Mar. 18	56	42	
Total Precipitation Mar:			0.07"
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Total Precipitation Jan:			0"
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## Easter Egg Hunt at Lynnwood

Let's compare eggs! ... These youngsters got an early practice at hunting Easter eggs this week, with Lynnwood Independent & Assisted Living Center hosting an Easter Egg hunt at their facilities for Angie Hall's daycare group. The children are, clockwise from front left, Taylor Stephens, Cooper Pierce, Jaxon Hall, Hadlee Childress, Preslea Preito, Miller Norwood, Cayson Resendez, Axie Allen and Cagney Long. (LCN PHOTO by Pam Elrod)

## Man Hurt In Traffic Accident

A Midland man suffered minor injuries Tuesday afternoon in a one-vehicle accident on U.S. 87 three miles north of O'Donnell, one of two traffic accidents investigated by Dept. of Public Safety troopers in Lynn County during the last week.

Stephen Black was driving a red 4-door car in the Tuesday accident, and was taken to Lynn County Hospital by EMS ambulance. He was treated and released. Black was 38 when the accident occurred. Wednesday was his 39th birthday.

On U.S. 84 near Southland early Wednesday, a 2000 Dodge driven by Albert Infante, 43, of Lubbock, was involved in a collision with an 18-wheeler. Infante did not require treatment for injury.

Tahoka Police this week investigated incidents of theft, criminal mischief and assault/family violence, the latter case resulting in the arrest of a 53-year-old Tahoka man.

Christina Coronado reported Sunday that the door on her 2006 Ford had been damaged by someone prying it open. Adam Morin reported Tuesday that his 2000 Chevrolet pickup had been egged, apparently by juveniles.

A Tahoka woman told police that her 12-year-old son had stolen about \$32 from a fund collection, and a woman reported last Thursday that a bicycle had been stolen out of her garage on N. 4th St. However, the bicycle later was recovered and it was learned that a family member had borrowed it.

Four persons were jailed in the county during the last week, bringing the total number in jail here to 41, with 17 of those held for Lubbock County.

Those arrested last week were charged with assault/family violence, application to revoke probation on conviction for assault, public intoxication and driving while intoxicated, third offense or more.



Wreck near O'Donnell... This red sedan was wrecked Tuesday afternoon north of O'Donnell on U.S. 87. It was driven by a Midland man who was treated and released at Lynn County Hospital.

## Wilson City Election Changes

The City of Wilson election candidates were listed in last week's Lynn County News, but one candidate's name was inadvertently omitted from the list, and since then one candidate has withdrawn from the race and another candidate has added her name as a write-in.

Incumbent Oscar Follis, a long-time council member, had filed for re-election to the council but his name was omitted from last week's list. With the addition of Follis, the city then had a contested race for two council seats, as Kim Steen and Cody Paul Donald had

also filed for a place on the ballot. However, Ms. Steen has since withdrawn her name as a council candidate, and the other council incumbent Doris K. Behrend, who had not filed for re-election, has added her name as a write-in candidate.

Donald Klaus is the lone candidate for the mayor's term. Wilson's current mayor, Victor Steinhauer, did not file for re-election.

The election will be held May 10. Early voting will be conducted April 28-May 6.

## To Be or Not To Be?

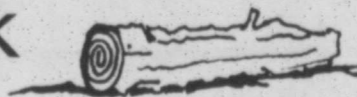
### Do we Combine or Separate County Offices?

Lynn County residents will have an opportunity to vote May 10 on whether to maintain separate offices for County Clerk and District Clerk, and for Tax Assessor/Collector and Sheriff. During the next four weeks, *The Lynn County News* will print information provided by each elected official regarding the duties of their office, so that voters will have an idea of what each office provides for Lynn County. Information will be printed on one office each week.

This week: **District Clerk's Office** (See story inside this edition)

## woodwork

by dalton



IF YOU THINK Easter, which will be this Sunday, is really early, you're right. In fact, the next time Easter will be this early (March 23) will be the year 2228, 220 years from now, when we all will be long gone and forgotten.

And the last time Easter was this early was 1913, so unless you are more than 95, you weren't around for that one, and even if you were, you probably can't remember that Easter. I can't remember any Easters which happened before I was about 10 years old (actually I didn't remember what happened last Easter).

So, I wonder, why is it called Easter, and not Wester, Norther or Souther? One source reveals that it is not related to directions, but to the word Estre, a Teutonic goddess of the rising light of day and spring (which my calendar says today, Thursday, March 20, is the first day of).

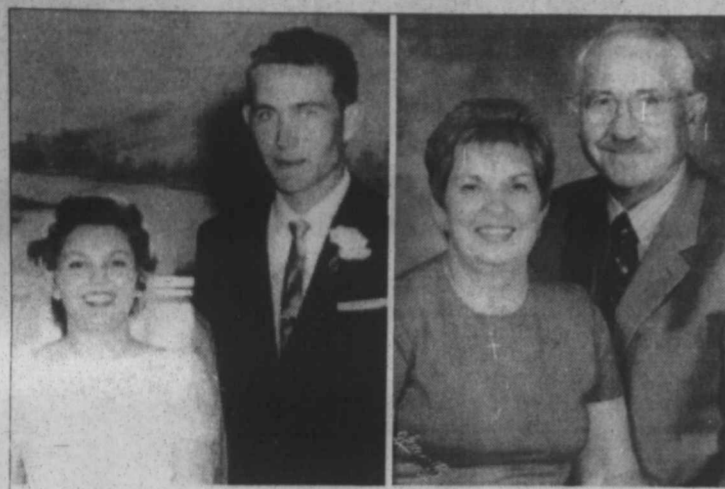
Another source says that today, March 20, is the Spring Equinox. I thought Equinox sounded like some kind of prescription medication, and also is a kind of Chevrolet which someone at the office recently purchased. I looked it up, and discovered that Equinox is defined in astronomy as that moment in time when the sun is directly above the earth's equator, and for some reason is also the first day of spring.

And, believe it or not, that has something to do with when Easter is designated on our calendar. Easter is always the first Sunday after the first full moon after the Spring Equinox (March 20 this year). This dating of Easter is based on the lunar calendar that Hebrews used to identify Passover.

And if you don't understand that, ask your preacher or read the Bible.

Anyway, it will be early this year. The next time it will be a day earlier will be in the year 2285, 277 years from now. If you want to see that one, take really good care of yourself, and be sure and take your Equinox pills as prescribed.

GOT TO WONDERING recently if the old saying "Feed a cold, starve a fever" was exactly that, or the other way around. According to Google on the internet, it really was "feed a cold," originating back in the 16th century, although the source quickly said that medical sources claim it won't help either way. It does give a person a good excuse to pig out, however.



DAVID and TREVA FRANKLIN

**Franklins To Celebrate 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

Mr. and Mrs. David Franklin of O'Donnell will celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, March 23, 2008. David and the former Treva Gibson were married at First Baptist Church in Welch, Texas, in 1958. The couple have lived and farmed in O'Donnell since they married.

David was born and raised in the Harmony area and graduated from O'Donnell High School in 1953. In 1958 he graduated from Texas Tech. Treva was born and raised in Welch where she graduated from high school in 1958.

They have five children, Anita Morton and husband, Glen, of Lubbock; Terri Small, Doris Gasd and husband, Todd, of O'Donnell, Ben Franklin and wife, Debbie, of O'Donnell; and Paula Moore and husband, Greg, of Richardson. The Franklins have nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

The couple will celebrate with family on Saturday evening, March 22, 2008.

**STORK REPORT**

Debbie Saldana of Tahoka and Ray Perez of Post announce the birth of a son, Zaiden Saige Perez. He was born March 8, 2008 at UMC at 2:56 p.m. and weighed 8 pounds, 1 oz. and was 20 1/4 inches long.

He has three brothers, Marcos, Eric and Andrew, and one sister, Alexia

Grandparents are Oscar and Betty Garcia of Tahoka. Great-Grandparents are Felice Riojas of Tahoka and Freddy and San Juana Arroyo of Lubbock.

**Senior Citizens MENU**

March 24-28

Monday: Chicken Patty on a Bun, Cheese, Lettuce, Tomato & Onion, Macaroni Salad, Fruit of the Day

Tuesday: Tuna & Pasta Casserole, Pea Salad, Tomato Slices, Homemade Biscuits, Chocolate Pie

Wednesday: Frito Pie Salad, Ranch Style Beans, Cracker Assortment, Fresh Fruit Tray, Empanadas

Thursday: Chicken Strips, White Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Apple Cobbler

Friday: Breakfast for lunch! Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Hash Browns, Toast, Cinnamon Rolls, Orange Juice & Coffee

**RECIPE REMINDER**

Please bring us your recipes for our cookbook - all will be appreciated.



**Ready for Auction ...** First National Bank of Tahoka is donating these Kenneth Wyatt artworks for auction at the April 12 Fun/Food Festival benefitting the Lynn County Hospital District. The festival is sponsored by Tahoka Rotary Club. Shown here with the artwork is Tommy Botkin, President of Rotary and a vice president at FNB. The smaller framed art depicts three silver crosses and a scripture, and the large piece is entitled "Working Man." (LCN PHOTO)

**City Landfill Now Accepting Type IV Waste From Residents**

The City of Tahoka landfill will begin accepting Type IV Waste on Monday, March 24, 2008. Type IV waste is all kinds of construction debris, including shingles. It also includes metal, furniture, appliances, and etc. It DOES NOT include household garbage. This is the same type of waste that is now being taken to the county's collection station. ALL Type IV waste that is accepted at the city's landfill MUST be weighed and recorded.

The City Council has set the following policy for accepting Type IV waste:

1. If you are a resident and you live inside the city limits of Tahoka, you MUST SHOW a current city utility bill and a photo I.D. This will allow you to dispose of 1,000 pounds of Type IV waste for free each month. If you exceed the 1,000 pounds in a month you will pay \$18.00 per ton for the overage.

2. If you are commercial and you dispose of this type of waste as part of your business, you will pay \$18.00 per ton for all Type IV waste disposed of.

3. If you live outside of the city limits of Tahoka, you WILL

pay \$18.00 per ton for ALL Type IV waste disposed of.

4. If you live in Lynn County you may pay at the landfill by cash or check. All others MUST pay cash.

The City of Tahoka Landfill CANNOT accept the following items: Household garbage, tires, batteries, refrigerators that have not had the freon professionally removed, hazardous chemicals, dead animals, branches, limbs, or trees. Branches will still be accepted at the City Barn and chipped up. If any of these listed items are found in your load, the entire load may be rejected. The Landfill Supervisor has the authority to reject any load for unacceptable items.

NO SCAVENGING will be allowed at the landfill. You MUST dispose of your waste and leave the landfill.

The current OPERATING HOURS of the City's landfill are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Those with questions may contact Tahoka City Hall at 561-4211.

**Lynn County Relay For Life Planned For April 18 Here**

The 2007-2008 Lynn County Relay For Life will be held April 18, 2008 at the Tahoka High School football stadium from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. For the second consecutive year, this 12-hour event will be sponsored by Tahoka High School students to raise money for the American Cancer Society, and to raise cancer awareness.

"We encourage everyone to take part in this extraordinary event. There are many ways that any and everyone can be a part of

the Relay such as, forming a team to walk, sponsoring/donating, register as a survivor, purchase a luminaria, or just come out and enjoy the food, entertainment, and activities planned for the night," says Amy Barrera, Event Chair.

There will be numerous events and activities throughout the night. One of the most important events is the Luminaria Ceremony. People will be given the opportunity to purchase a bag and dedicate a special message to a loved one that has been a victim of cancer. The bags can be "In Honor of..." or "In Memory of...". The luminarias will be placed around the track the night of the Relay to honor these brave people. We will be accepting donations for each bag from anyone interested in purchasing. For more information, please contact Sarah Calvillo, Luminaria Chair, at (806) 777-1160, or Amy Barrera, Event Chair, at (806) 928-0353.

For more information on the Tahoka Relay For Life, please contact Amy Barrera, Event Chair, at 544-7571 or amy\_ashley\_08@yahoo.com or Mrs. Patti Rambo at 561-4538.

**Obituaries**



LAVERNE McCLESKEY

**LaVerne McCleskey**

Celebration of Life Services for LaVerne McCleskey, 87, lifelong resident of Grassland, will be held at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, March 20 in Grassland at Grassland Church of the Nazarene with Rev. James Miller officiating. Interment will follow at Grassland Cemetery in Grassland, under the direction of White Funeral Home of Tahoka.

Family will greet friends from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 19 at White Funeral Home of Tahoka.

Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, March 20 at Grassland Church of the Nazarene in Grassland.

Mrs. McCleskey departed this life on Saturday, March 15, 2008. She was born on July 19, 1920 to John Clifton and Mary Ola Allen in Gouldsbusk, Texas. LaVerne graduated from Tahoka High School in 1938. She married Curtis Osborne (Hoolie) McCleskey on June 29, 1939. He preceded her in death on December 29, 1996. She was a homemaker and a member Grassland Hobby Club, and the Grassland Community Center Board. Ms. McCleskey was a longtime member of the Grassland Church of the Nazarene and served on various committees for the church.

She was preceded in death by one son Carlos Leon McCleskey on May 22, 2007.

Survivors include one son, Delbert Wayne McCleskey of Grassland; one brother, James Harold Allen of Kansas City, Missouri; six grandchildren, Kurt McCleskey, Carla Sires, Kevin McCleskey, Kent McCleskey, Corey McCleskey, and Aaron McCleskey; 19 great-grandchildren; and 12 great-great-grandchildren. (PAID)

**Happy 9<sup>th</sup> Birthday, Michael Christian Farrell!**

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**Green Memorial Park Cemetery**

Green Memorial Park Cemetery will have its annual DONATION DRIVE during the month of March.

Funds may be deposited directly to First Bank & Trust or mailed to Green Memorial Park Cemetery, P.O. Box 102, Wilson, Texas 79381.

The board of directors, Servando Benavidez, Oscar Follis, Curtis Gickhorn, Dennis Moore, and Curtis Wilke, would like to thank each of you for your past contributions as they continue to make the cemetery neat and attractive.

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**February Artists ...** Wilson Elementary February Artists of the Month are pictured here, from left, Micheala Borrayo, Lance Lopez, Meghan Ramirez, Rebekah Parmer, Raygin Taylor, and Garrett Racca. (Not pictured is Lily Russell).



**Wilson Students of Month ...** March Students of the Month at Wilson ISD are, from left, Laura Villarreal, Samantha Valdez, and Alaura Mendez.

**Wilson Lions Cancel March 20 Meeting**

The Wilson Lions Club will not meet on March 20th due to Spring Break and other scheduling conflicts.



**Inducted ...** The Kappa Mu Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa South Plains College recently inducted 118 students into its organization, including Joel Gonzalez of Wilson. A ceremony honoring the students was held in the Sun-down Room on the Levelland campus. (SPC Photo/Wes Underwood)

**SAVE \$\$ ... SHOP AT HOME!**  
DON'T PAY ALL THAT EXTRA MONEY IN GASOLINE CONSUMPTION.

**Wilson SCHOOL MENU**

**March 24-28 Breakfast**  
Monday: Donuts  
Tuesday: Mustang McMuffins  
Wednesday: Sausage on a Stick  
Thursday: Breakfast Pizza  
Friday: Sausage & Toast  
**Lunch**  
Monday: BBQ on a bun, tots, pickles, corn cobette, fruit  
Tuesday: Nachos grande, pinto beans, cornbread, fruit  
Wednesday: Chicken and noodles, green beans, fruited gelatin, French breadstick, frozen yogurt  
Thursday: Corn dog, broccoli w/ ranch, apple  
Friday: Sub sandwiches, baked chips, baby carrots w/ ranch

**Selmon Named To LCU Dean's List**

Kayla Selmon of Tahoka was named to the Dean's List at Lubbock Christian University for the fall 2007 semester. The Dean's list requires a student to be taking a minimum of 12 hours and achieve a 3.5 grade point average or better for the semester. Selmon is a junior majoring in early childhood education and is the daughter of Wendi Curry, of Tahoka.

**Tahoka SCHOOL MENU**

**March 24-28**  
Monday: Banana Mini Loaf  
Tuesday: Sausage Biscuit  
Wednesday: Cinnamon Rolls  
Thursday: Cereal w/ Graham Cracker  
Friday: Breakfast Muffin  
**Lunch**  
Monday: Hamburger, trimmings, tater tots, baby carrots, chocolate pudding cup  
Tuesday: BBQ on a bun, baked chips, pickle spear, corn cobette, pineapple tidbits  
Wednesday: Carne guisada, refried beans, seasoned corn, orange smiles, flour tortillas  
Thursday: Chicken and noodles, green beans, fruited gelatin, Texas Toast, frozen yogurt  
Friday: Golden fish strips, mac and cheese, tossed salad, fresh fruit

**Girls Little Dribbler Signups Set Here**

Tahoka Girls Little Dribbler signups will be held Thursday, March 13 from 4:30-7:30 p.m. at the Middle School Track Meet (held at the THS track), and again on Tuesday, March 25 and Thursday, March 27, from 4:30-7:30 p.m. at the Life Enrichment Center.

The program is for girls in grades 2-6. Cost is \$35 per person, and parents must bring a copy of the child's birth certificate for proof of age.

For more information, contact Lance Forsythe at 777-0331.

**Wilson VFD Dinner Auction To Be Held March 30**

Wilson Volunteer Fire Department will host a ham dinner and auction on Sunday, March 30, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Wilson School Cafeteria. Cost will be \$6 for adults and \$3 for children. All proceeds will benefit the Wilson Fire Department.

**O'Donnell Masons To Present Award**

The O'Donnell Masonic Lodge #1187 would like to invite everyone to attend a Golden Trowel Award presentation on Saturday, March 22, at 6:00 p.m. This award is the highest award that a Mason can receive. The recipient of this award will be presented to Arnold E. (Gene) Ingle. The Lodge Hall is located at 8th and Baldrige in O'Donnell. Refreshments will be served.

**Easter Sunrise Service Set At T-Bar Ranch**

First United Methodist Church of Tahoka is hosting an Easter Sunrise Service this Sunday, March 23 at T-Bar Ranch at 7:30 a.m.

"Everyone is invited to come join us in this praise service. Just go 7 miles West of Tahoka on Hwy. 380 and watch for the signs," stated pastor Vernon Baker.

Everyone is also invited to come to the church for their regular Easter Sunday Service at 10:45 a.m. that day. The church is located at 1801 Ave. J in Tahoka.

**Legacy Concert To Be Held April 11**

"Legacy," a Christian recording group, will be performing at the THS Auditorium on Friday, April 11 at 7:00 p.m. Tickets purchased in advance will be \$5 and \$7 at the door with all proceeds benefiting the American Cancer Society and the Lynn County Relay for Life.

For more information call 561-5021.

**Military Support Group To Begin In Tahoka**

Anyone with family members in the military, active or reserve, that would like to be a part of a support group is welcome to attend a meeting on Sunday, March 30 at 3:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church fellowship hall located at 1701 Ave. K in Tahoka.

Please bring a current photograph and mailing address of your soldier for a community project. For more information, contact Suzanne Baker at 806-561-4733.

**SPC to Offer Jewelry Casting Class in April**

The Division of Continuing and Distance Education at South Plains College will offer a Metalsmithing and Jewelry Design Casting Class from noon to 5 p.m. starting April 5 in Room 127 of the Fine Arts Building. The class will meet each Saturday through April 19.

The cost of the class is \$60 and includes tuition, files and wax. Casting materials and metals are not included in the cost of the course. Students will need to bring 2 sheets each of #320, #400 and #600 silicon carbide sandpaper, emery boards and an X-acto knife.

Participants will learn the basics of lost wax casting and make jewelry. Students will experience the full process from model-making, spruing, investing, burnout and casting to finishing. Some basic metalsmithing techniques of sawing and soldering also will be demonstrated.

For more information, call the SPC Division of Continuing and Distance Education at 806-894-9611, ext. 2341.



**Beat the Heat winner ...** Kenneth Graves won the Beat the Heat 2008 Saturday race in Lubbock. Kenneth is from New Home and the son of Micky and Mary Graves and the grandson of Willie and Betty Nieman of Slaton and Freda Holler of New Home. He competed against 32 other drivers to take the victory flag. Right now Kenneth is ranked #2 in the nation of IMCA Southern Sportmods. Kenneth will be celebrating his 16th birthday March 24th and is the youngest driver in this class.

**City Approves Resolution For SPS Tariff Relief**

Tahoka City Council met in regular session March 10, and approved a resolution approving Southwestern Public Service Company's proposed amendment to certain tariffs, which would basically offer some electricity rate relief (a rate decrease)

to certain customers considered as "low load" or "seasonal" as determined by SPS criteria.

Examples of customers who could receive the rate decrease, according to information provided to *The Lynn County News* by City Administrator Jerry Webster, are (1) churches that operate only a few hours a month but that use a large amount of electricity when in use; (2) ball park lights that use a high amount of wattage when on, but are on for only a few hours per week, and (3) seasonal customers such as irrigation customers and cotton-gin operations. With the changes proposed in SPS' application filed on Feb. 27, 2008, these customers should see relief in the amount of their bills for electricity.

**Phebe K. Warner CLUB NEWS**

Phebe K. Warner Club members met at the Lynn County Courthouse March 11 with 12 members and 4 guests attending. Hostesses for the meeting were Barbara White and Janel Franklin. County Judge H.G. Franklin spoke to the group about the duties of a county judge and gave a report on the Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Grant application. Judge Franklin stated one of the most important ways to improve the next grant application's points is to prove county support for the grant and project. Phebe K. Warner Club intends to support this county project by selling Lynn County Courthouse Christmas ornaments with funds received being used for the future gazebo on the courthouse square.

Harold Hohn, President of the Historical Committee, and Donna Gentry, a courthouse employee, gave the club a very interesting tour of the courthouse. The club members appreciated all of these people providing an informative meeting on our local courthouse.

Phebe K. Warner Club will be hostess for the District meeting in Tahoka at the Life Enrichment Center starting at 9:00 Saturday, March 22.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 25 at the First Baptist Church with the Youth & Member Writing contest winners as guests.

"For the City of Tahoka, that rate relief would apply to the city-owned ballpark and swimming pool," Webster said. Council members approved the resolution which, according to the SPS information he received, would go into effect by operation of law on April 2, 2008. The resolution expressly named the company as Southwestern Public Service Company, although the company is currently known as Xcel Energy, which is somewhat confusing.

In other business, the council renewed a franchise agreement with Atmos Energy, and approved monthly bills. Raymond Vega presented a report to the council on the city's public utility department, and Police Chief Doyle Lee reported on the Tahoka Police Dept. activities.

Mayor Mike Mensch led the meeting, with all council members present including Ray Box, Jeff Martin, Amy Preston, Clara Calvillo and Rudy Fuentes, as well as City Attorney Cal Huffaker, and Webster.

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Anniversary Service: 10:30 a.m.-12:00 noon  
Meal & Presentation at New Home School Cafeteria: 12:00 noon

**Care TO BE Aware**  
HEALTH NEWS FROM LYNN COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT  
by Julia Allen

(continued from last week)  
**What About Trans Fat in Girl Scout Cookies?**  
As of 2007, all varieties of Girl Scout cookies contain "zero trans fat per serving," Michelle Thompkins, External communications Consultant for Girl Scouts USA says. But you might notice in the list of ingredients that some of the cookies contain partially hydrogenated oils, which are how trans fats are made. So how can they claim to have zero trans fats? These cookies meet or exceed the FDA guidelines for the "zero trans fat" designation because they contain less than 0.5 grams trans fat per serving. So if you eat two servings of cookies (or more), particularly those that list partially hydrogenated oils among

their first four ingredients, you might get close to taking in a gram of trans fat. This is less likely to happen if you stick to the cookies that don't have "partially hydrogenated oil" listed among the ingredients.

**So how do we not eat the whole stack in one sitting?**

It's fine to talk about moderation, but what if you're one of those people for whom the "suggested serving size" is never enough when it comes to Girl Scout cookies? I'm always telling my children to take their time when eating sweets, roll them around on your tongue and savor the flavors of the bite. Try this with the recommended serving size on your favorite cookie and it will make a difference.

**Easter Egg Hunt**  
We invite you to join us ...  
**March 23, 2008**  
on Easter Sunday for a  
**COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT**  
Tahoka Church of Christ  
2320 Lockwood  
Bible Class - 10:00 a.m. • Worship - 11:00 a.m.  
Following Morning Worship Service  
The community is invited!  
\* Please bring your basket \*



**Big Bunny at Poka Lambro ...** A big white Easter Bunny greeted Tahoka Elementary students at Poka Lambro's Annual Tahoka Pre-K Field Trip/Easter Party. The children are invited each year to Poka Lambro Telephone Cooperative's headquarters office 11 miles north of Tahoka for a huge Easter Egg Hunt, then play games and have lunch in their community room.

**Teacher Contracts Renewed; Two Resignations Given at TISD**

Teacher contracts were renewed at the March 11 Tahoka Independent School District Board of Trustees meeting, with the exception of two staff positions who submitted resignations effective at the end of the school year. Trustees unanimously approved all teaching contracts and Superintendent

Jimmy Parker said he had resignations from math teacher Philena Farmer and chemistry/physics teacher Regina Oliver.

Trustees approved the purchase of new pickup for the district, which will be purchased through a government purchasing program, and approved the 2008-09 school calendar with one small change, with Aug. 22 as a comp day. The board approved district participation in a Physical Education Grant with Texas Tech University that may provide exercise equipment for the school. Textbook selections were approved as presented, regarding elementary math.

Tahoka High School senior Amy Barrera made a presentation to the board, providing information about her duties as a state officer with FCCLA, and giving an update on the school-sponsored Lynn County Relay For Life scheduled for April 18. Also meeting with the board was Karen Meaney with Texas Tech University, with information about the physical education grant program.

All seven trustees were present, including Board President Math Bartley, Joe Calvillo, John Hawthorne, Jimmy Dorman, Frank McLelland, Kent Kahl and Tony Garcia.

**Mark your calendar for Lynn County Hospital's Fun/Food Fest**  
Saturday, April 12, 2008 at Lynn County Show Barn! sponsored by Tahoka Rotary Club

**Poka Lambro Annual Meeting Set March 27**

Poka Lambro Telephone Cooperative, Inc. will host their 57th Annual Membership Meeting on Thursday, March 27, at Poka Lambro's main business office located 11.5 miles north of Tahoka on U.S. Hwy. 87.

Member registration will begin at 11:00 a.m. followed by lunch at 12:00 noon. The business meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m. One important item of business on the agenda will be the election of two directors for the Cooperative.

Other Annual Meeting highlights will include the reports of officers and directors, the presentation of Poka Lambro Scholarships, and any other business that may come before the membership. All Poka Lambro members are encouraged to attend the meeting. Door prize cards may be picked up when registering. Members must be present to win door prizes.

For additional information please contact Amy Preston at 800-422-2387.

**Rabies Clinic Set Here March 29**

A Rabies/Vaccination Clinic for dogs and cats will be offered Saturday, March 29 from 1-3 p.m. at the Tahoka Mini Park (behind City Hall). Penny C. Kelso, D.V.M., with Animal House Calls, will provide the services.

Rabies shots will be \$8 each, for cats or dogs, and other vaccines as well as other services will be available. Distemper vaccine, Parvo vaccine, and worming shots will be \$8 each.

For more information, call Animal House Calls at 749-7387.

**THS Class of 1968 Reunion Planned; Classmates Sought**

The Tahoka High School graduating class of 1968 will be celebrating their 40th high school reunion on July 5, 2008 at the T-Bar Country Club. Friends, family and former teachers are invited to come by the Country Club and remember old times with us.

"We have been able to locate most of our classmates. However, there are some classmates we have not been able to locate: Debbie Wright, Donald Richey, Anita Salinas, Willie Ewing, Norma Jo McKinnin, and Ethel Moore. If you have a current phone number or address, please call Arlene Spearman at 998-4052 or Susan Tipton at 998-5072."

**Golf Tourney To Benefit Relay For Life**

A golf tournament benefiting the upcoming Lynn County Relay For Life will be held on Sunday, March 30 at T-Bar Country Club in Tahoka. All proceeds will go to the Relay For Life, which is a fundraiser for the American Cancer Society.

The nine-hole two-person scramble will start at 1 p.m. Entry fee is \$25 per person. There will be a putting, chipping and a long drive contest. Each event will cost \$5 to enter and one mulligan for the nine holes will cost \$5.

Call T-Bar Country Club to register, at 998-5305.

**Pre-K, Kindergarten Pre-Registration Set At New Home**

Pre-registration for Pre-K and Kindergarten at New Home ISD will be held on Friday, March 28, in the New Home Cafeteria from 2:30-3:00 p.m.

Children entering Pre-K must be 3 years old by May 1st. Children entering Kindergarten must be 5 years old by September 1st.

Parents must provide a copy of the child's birth certificate, current immunization records, and child's Social Security card when registering.

**New Home SCHOOL MENU**

- March 24-28 Breakfast
- Monday: Waffles
- Tuesday: Granola Bars
- Wednesday: Breakfast Pizza
- Thursday: Biscuit Sausage
- Friday: Funnel Cake
- Lunch
- Monday: Pizza, lettuce/tomato, corn, pudding
- Tuesday: Popcorn chicken, mac and cheese, green beans, baby carrots, applesauce cup
- Wednesday: Frito pie, lettuce/tomato, pinto beans, cornbread, peach cup
- Thursday: Chicken fajitas, cheese cup, lettuce/tomato, carrot/cucumber, pear cup
- Friday: Hamburger/cheese burger, trimmings, French fries, cookie

**Shop In Tahoka!**



**District Court Files ...** District Clerk Sandra Laws stands in the District Courtroom at the Lynn County Courthouse, holding just a few of the files she works with regarding court cases in the 106th Judicial District. She has been District Clerk here for 16 years. (LCN PHOTO)

**What Happens In The District Clerk's Office?**

*Editor's Note:* Lynn County residents will have an opportunity to vote May 10 on whether to maintain separate offices for County Clerk and District Clerk, and for Tax Assessor/Collector and Sheriff. During the next four weeks, *The Lynn County News* will print information provided by each elected official regarding the duties of their office, so that voters will have an idea of what each office provides for Lynn County. Information will be printed on one office each week.

Anyone with questions regarding the duties of each office is encouraged to contact the respective elected official.

**District Clerk Sandra Laws**

**Number of Years in this office:** 16 years as District Clerk, 106th Judicial District, Lynn County  
**Current Annual Salary:** \$25,222  
**Describe the Duties of this office:**

As the District Clerk for Lynn County since 1992, I handle Felony Criminal cases, civil which include home equity foreclosures, suits on accounts and contracts, injury with or without motor vehicles; tax cases; juvenile cases; adoptions. We currently have approximately 155 cases pending in the District Court. Also handle minor accounts, which are accounts for minors usually rising out of accidents. I have to monitor them until they reach 18 or as the order dictates. There is a liability to me if it is not handled properly. We also execute passports which are up considerably within the past two years. I probably averaged 10 to 15 a year prior to then, but we did 61 in 2007, and to date in 2008 we have executed 20. This involves a great deal of studying as we must keep up to date with each update from the Federal Government. We receive updates at least every other month, but at the present we have been getting them as frequently as once a week. I currently have one full-time and one part-time deputy. We each have some specific duties, but we have to try to cross-train as much as possible.

The most time consuming can be criminal because once the case has gone to trial or a plea bargain reached and the defendant sent to the penitentiary, they then become pen pals. They write and want copies of things in their file and I have to respond to them that I can or cannot comply with their request and what remedies they may have. If they are sentenced to the pen by a jury, then the appellate process begins and it is my responsibility to stay on top of timelines for the court of appeals, myself and the attorneys. I have just completed two and am waiting on the attorney to respond in the third one since the first of the year. There are certain requirements such as a volume cannot be more than two inches thick, etc. We also have to keep exhibits from the cases that went to trial and prepare a pen packet for each defendant that goes to the pen, or a SAFF program. On each defendant, whether they are placed on probation, or if

they go to pen, we must set up a financial sheet. If they are placed on probation, they pay out the fees through the probation office and we get that report each month. If they are sentenced to the pen, they are supposed to pay their fees once they are out on parole. There is also the possibility that we may be able to collect from them while they are inmates that I am going to be exploring in the near future. Then there are the minutes to record, the information to be entered on the computer, and the records to be scanned. We are currently scanning all current records, and then scanning older records as time allows.

I no longer handle much in reference to child support payments, but have to answer questions for CP's and NCP's and look up or call in reference to checks not being forwarded, etc. Family cases continue to be the most frequent type case we handle, in that they are frequently reopened. If child is newborn when parents get divorced, and the NCP has to pay child support until the child is 18, think about how many times this case can be reopened. Once a divorce case with children is closed, or an order establishing paternity is filed, it must be entered on the computer into the state disbursement system for them to disburse the child support checks. We are responsible for four courts: District, Juvenile, CPS and AG.

We have several reports to do each month, including the finan-

cial report for the county, the auditor, judicial reports to the state and the report for the Supreme Court, along with a report to the Attorney General each month so that the County can be reimbursed for a portion of the work that we do on the AG cases each month.

In addition, I have the responsibility to know the duties and the laws as they pertain to my office. I am on the Legislative Committee for the CDCAT and try to pay particular attention to laws as they affect small counties, plus also belong to the TDCA. We have to complete 20 hours of education per year, plus have had to complete one hour of open meetings and one hour of open records. I attend school at A&M, UT Law School, summer conference and the Texas District Court Alliance conference held in September of each year, plus region meetings to keep up with all of the various duties as they pertain to my office.

People often ask what do you do when you are not having court? In truth, we are actually busier on non-court days.

**In your opinion, would combining this office with another office save taxpayers money?**

There seems to be a misconception out there about the closing of offices. It seems like they may be thinking that the office will just go away when in fact the duties have to be absorbed by another office or another office title. I also do not think that this will save any money to the taxpayers as it appears there may have to be at least one other person hired full-time. There is not space in the courthouse to combine these offices within one room or even one floor. This would necessitate the clerk going back and forth between floors which would leave one office short-handed.

**Baseball Signups Slated In March**

Sign ups for T-Ball, Little League, Major League and Junior League baseball in Tahoka for children ages 5 to 14 by May 1st, will be held soon.

First sign up will be Thursday, March 13 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Life Enrichment Center, 2nd sign up session on Thursday, March 27, 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Life Enrichment Center. Parents should bring copies of children's birth certificates for age verification. Cost is \$35 per child with cap and t-shirt included this year. All interested coaches welcome!

Tryouts will be held on Monday, March 31, 6:00 pm Minors and 8:00 pm Majors.

Questions will be answered at sign up or call Lane Tekell at 998-1126, or Johnny Rosas 998-5087.

**WILSON Volunteer Fire Dept.**  
**Ham Dinner and Auction!**  
**Sunday, Mar. 30**  
11:00 am to 1:00 pm at Wilson School Cafeteria  
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If you hold any bachelor's degree and would like to find out how to become a certified teacher in Texas, attend a FREE information meeting at a convenient location near you.  
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Region 17 Service Center - Roger's Room  
1111 West Loop 289  
Lubbock, TX 79416  
www.esct17.net or call 806-281-5862  
Amarillo  
Saturday, March 29th at 9am  
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## Letter To The Editor

### Oppose Consolidation Of County Offices

Given the information presented in your March 6 article regarding the possible consolidation of certain county offices, I would oppose such action for the following reasons:

(1) So far, there is no mention of any long term savings by consolidating offices. I would hope that those proposing consolidation can point to other Texas counties where such consolidation has already occurred and resulted in significant property tax savings for the residents. I suspect that any money saved would quickly be spent on increased expenses of the remaining county offices. In the event that the population of Lynn County then increases above 8,000 or even 10,000 residents in the future, will the county residents then be required to re-establish the tax assessor and county clerk as elective offices in order to comply with state law?

(2) Offices such as the tax assessor and county clerk require specialized knowledge of federal and state mandates. Failure to comply with these mandates regarding voting rights or property tax appeal procedures could subject the county to law suits and fines which could quickly exceed any savings the county achieved by office consolidation.

(3) Consolidation of offices violates a fundamental premise of a self-governing free society; that is, that power be limited by a series of checks and balances among different governmental agencies controlled by citizen voters. It may surprise some county residents to learn that the county sheriff was envisioned by our founding fathers to be the most powerful police authority due to their belief that such power should be placed in an office closest to the people and subject to their vote in order to retain his authority. Giving the Sheriff's office even more control over county residents lives by incorporating the tax assessor's office within it seems ill-advised regardless of how well liked our current sheriff may be. I particularly appreciate his candor in stating his reluctance to assume the assessor's duties; however, a future occupant of that office might relish the opportunity to exercise such broad authority over county residents.

In summary, I think the current county office structure has done a good job of representing the citizens of Lynn County. No evidence has been presented thus far that consolidated offices will do that job better. I hope that voters in the May 10th election will appreciate the old adage "if it ain't broke, don't try to fix it" and vote to continue county offices as is.

A.L. Wuensche

### Heroes Of Days Gone By

I would like to write a few lines about some heroes of days gone by. As a young boy growing up in north Tahoka I was but a few yards away from the school. In the afternoons the Tahoka Bulldogs would practice football at the football field and I would go over and watch; and get in their way. Not once was I ever scolded or bad mouthed by those guys or the coaches. In fact, they seemed to like me being around. I would go get the football(s), and bring it to them. And after practice they would throw me some passes.

In the early fifties I had a sweatshirt that had a football player on the front of it and he had



**Lakers Undefeated ...** This group of 5th and 6th grade boys recently finished playing the regular season of Tahoka Little Dribblers basketball in the majors division. The Lakers, coached by Clifford Oages, with help from Shaunda Hood, went undefeated this season. They are (left to right) Jackson Harbison, Gino Arriazola, A.J. Rohlfis, Ke'Shawn Hood, Trystan Hilger and Kohl Angeley; (not pictured is Devon McCleskey).



**Raiders Undefeated ...** The Raiders, a Tahoka Little Dribblers minor team, had a perfect season with an 8-0 record. They are, in front from left, Colbe Perez, Carlos Moralez, Marcos Saldana, Michael Farrell, Brennon Castillon and Eric Saldana. In back are coaches Joshua Schwartz, Linda Oages and Carlos Moralez.

the number 37 on his jersey. I was asked if it was Doak Walker (a player for the SMU Mustangs) and I told them no it was Don Brice, an end for the Bulldogs. Once I got my mother to cut out and put the number 21 on the back of my t-shirt. That number was Lynn Carl Halamicick's and he was our quarterback.

My greatest thrill was when I would see these guys downtown and they would come over and talk to me. But, they talked to all the kids back then, not just me. The coaches did the same. None of us knew of pro teams and very few knew any of the college players. Except that one quarterback from Post that went on to play for Texas Tech! Anyway, our Bulldogs were our heroes. And they are today.

At the funeral of Coach Jacobs, Gordon Smith came up to me and said I was to sit with the other "Bulldogs" as honorary pallbearers. I am 65 years young and to sit with those guys at Coach's funeral was almost too much for me to handle. Also, I got to eat lunch with a bunch of them that day. Lynn Carl bought my lunch. At that meal was Lynn Carl, Joe Brooks, John Curry, Carlton Bell, Jerry Williams, Jerry Slover, and others I can't recall. But, I was six years old again and just soaking up all I could by being with them.

I could call all the names of those guys from about 1949 through 1956 and more than likely

none ever played pro ball, never signed an autograph, or anything like that. But, to one little six year old, they were my heroes...and still are today.

Charlie M. Holland

### Windbreak, Hardwood Trees Still Available At Local SWCD

Seedling Afghanistan Pines, Colorado Blue Spruce, and Eastern Red Cedars are still available for purchase at the Tahoka Soil and Water Conservation District office. Also available are 5 gallon Afghanistan Pines. These trees are approximately 6' to 8' tall. Seedling hardwood trees available include Bur Oaks, Catalpa, Pecan, Persimmon, Red Oaks, and Live Oaks. One gallon trees available include Pecan, Bald Cypress, Fruiting Mulberry, and Afghanistan Pines.

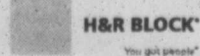
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### Cong. Neugebauer Named Top Texas Conservative

WASHINGTON, DC - According to the 2007 Vote Ratings by the National Journal, a leading nonpartisan publisher of political, policy and government information, Congressman Randy Neugebauer (TX-19) has received the high distinction of being the most conservative Texan in the U.S. House of Representatives. Neugebauer received a rating of 93.3%, the highest conservative rating of any member of the House of Representatives.

"I vote my district and my conscience and let the ratings fall where they may. I was sent to Washington to represent conservative values, both socially and fiscally, and I have not wavered from that commitment. I am a conservative, representing a conservative district, so I would hope to rank highly on this scale. It is nice to see that people are verifying that I am upholding the standards of those I represent in my votes," Neugebauer stated.

This impressive rating also gives Congressman Neugebauer the elite distinction of being in the top tier of Most Conservative Representatives in the Nation. Only seven other Members of the House scored the same rating of 93.3% and none scored higher.

The 2007 Vote Ratings are based on and divided into three categories: economic issues, social issues and foreign policy. These ratings rank lawmakers according to how they vote relative to each other on a conservative to liberal scale.

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## Landowners: Controlled Burns Now Prohibited In Lynn County

Controlled burns of land in Lynn County will no longer be allowed, due to extreme dry conditions and threat of fire in the county. Lynn County Judge H.G. Franklin this week informed *The News* that producers will not be given permission to conduct controlled burns on their property in the county until the burn ban is lifted or drought conditions improve.

The county has been under a burn ban for several months, but did allow controlled burns under the supervision of a certified professional. Last week, a controlled burn, which county officials say that even though it was conducted properly, came back

to life five days after the burn, starting a grassfire that endangered property and engaged fire fighters for several hours.

"With the extreme dry conditions, we just cannot allow any more controlled burns to be conducted in the county," Judge Franklin said. "Until these conditions change, any burning of land will be prohibited."

The burn ban includes cities within the county, and city residents are reminded that burning lawns is also prohibited. The City of Tahoka actually has an ordinance that prohibits burning of lawns or trash at all times, even if a county burn ban is not in effect.

## President Declares Emergency Disaster For Wildfires In 185 Texas Counties

The head of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) announced that the President has declared an emergency exist in the state of Texas and ordered federal aid to supplement state and local response efforts in the area struck by wildfires beginning on March 14, 2008, and continuing.

FEMA Administrator David Paulison said that the President's action makes authorized FEMA to coordinate all disaster relief efforts which have the purpose of alleviating the hardship and suffering caused by the emergency on the local population, and to provide appropriate assistance for required emergency measures, authorized under Title V of the Stafford Act, to save lives and to protect property and public health and safety, and to lessen or avert the threat of a catastrophe in the counties affected.

Lynn County was included in the list of 185 Texas Counties included in the wildfire disaster

list. Specifically, FEMA is authorized to identify, mobilize, and provide at its discretion, equipment and resources necessary to alleviate the impacts of the emergency. Emergency protective measures, limited to direct federal assistance, will be provided at 75 percent Federal funding.

Application procedures for local governments will be explained at a series of federal/state applicant briefings with locations to be announced in the affected area by recovery officials. Approved public repair projects are paid through the state from funding provided by FEMA and other participating federal agencies.

Paulison named Kenneth G. Clark as the federal coordinating officer for federal recovery operations in the affected area.

FEMA coordinates the federal governments role in preparing for, preventing, mitigating the effects of, responding to, and recovering from all domestic disasters, whether natural or man-made, including acts of terror.

## Don't get hit with a penalty! "Render" your taxable property by April 15th.

A "rendition" is a report to the appraisal district that lists all the taxable property you owned or controlled on January 1st of this year.

### Who must file a rendition?

You must file a rendition if you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income—such as the inventory and equipment used by a business. If you render late, don't render or file an incomplete or false rendition, a 10% to 50% penalty may be imposed.

### Are there any advantages to you?

The advantages of filing a rendition are:

- You give your opinion of your property's value. The appraisal district must notify you in writing of any value change and explain how you can protest that value to the appraisal review board.
- You record your correct mailing address so your tax bills will go to the right address. If your bill is mailed to the wrong address, the law still holds you responsible for paying your taxes on time or paying extra charges for late payments.
- You can also file a "report of decreased value" to notify the appraisal district of significant depreciation of the value of your property in 2007. The district will look at your property before assigning a value in 2008.

### What's the deadline?

The last day for filing 2008 renditions is April 15. You can get an automatic extension to May 15 if you ask for it in writing on or before the April 16 deadline. The chief appraiser may grant an additional 15 days after May 15 for an owner who shows good cause in writing.

### Where do you file?

File renditions with your local appraisal district at:

**LYNN COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT**  
1615 Main Street • Tahoka, TX 79373  
806-561-5477

For more information, stop by your appraisal district and pick up "Texas Property Taxes: Taxpayers' Rights, Remedies and Responsibilities"



Or contact:  
Texas Comptroller Susan Combs  
Property Tax Division  
P.O. Box 13528  
Austin, TX 78711-3528  
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### POLITICAL CALENDAR

General Election is Nov. 4, 2008  
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The 2008 Lynn County Harvest Festival will be on Saturday, Sept. 20

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### Lost and Found

FOUND: Small female long-haired black mixed breed dog. Call 998-1588 to claim. 12-1tf

TWO LOST DOGS: Lost from 2401 Lockwood on Friday. One is an older Red Heeler female who is nearly blind and the other is a male part black Lab. Please call 561-5080, 759-0936 or 201-3730 if found. 12-1tf

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