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Tax Entities Discuss Common Interests

The potential for wind power and other industry development in Lynn County and West Texas was discussed at a meeting Tuesday of representatives of six Lynn County taxing entities at the Housing and Community Development Center.

Slides were part of a presentation by a representative of High Ground of Texas, an economic development organization which promotes new industry in about 100 West Texas counties. The group particularly promotes development of wind power and other alternative energy sources.

About 25 persons attended the meeting, representing Lynn County, the city governments of O'Donnell, Tahoka and Wilson, Tahoka school district, and the Lynn County Hospital district.

Among items of common interest discussed were landfill and garbage disposal and the problems of stray dogs.

Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Apr. 16	90	48	
Apr. 17	65	50	
Apr. 18	75	34	
Apr. 19	89	35	
Apr. 20	88	48	
Apr. 21	90	51	
Apr. 22	86	47	
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Total Precipitation Mar:			0.07"
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Early Voting Begins Monday For City/County/School Elections

Early voting begins Monday, April 28 for several May 10 elections, including city, school, and the Lynn County separation of offices issue. Early voting will be held April 28-May 6 at the locations indicated by each entity, as follows:

Lynn County Separation of Offices: Two separate propositions to consider: (1) authorizing the offices of the Lynn County Clerk and Lynn County District Clerk to remain separate; and (2) authorizing the office of the Lynn County Tax Assessor/Collector to remain separate from the Lynn County Sheriff. Early voting will be held at the Lynn County Clerk's Office at the courthouse during regular business hours, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Mon-Fri.

City of Tahoka: Two council seats, for one at-large district and one single-member district: Dist. 2 - Clara Calvillo (incumbent) and Bianca Baker; Dist. 5 At-Large - Ray Box (i) and Daniel Harper. All city residents (who are registered voters) may vote in the At-Large Dist. 5 race, but only those residing within District 2 may vote in the Dist. 2 race. (See map of districts at Tahoka City Hall.) Early voting at Lynn Co. Clerk's Office.

Tahoka ISD: Two trustee seats, both single-member districts: Place 3 - Jimmie Bingham and Mike Rivas; Place 4 - Frank McLelland (i) and Starrlyn Knox Bray. Voters must reside within Place 3 or Place 4 to vote in these elections (see precinct map at TISD Harvick Building Business Office). Early voting at Lynn Co. Clerk's Office.

Note for Additional Early Voting hours at County Clerk's Office: This office will remain open for two 12-hour early voting periods in addition to the regular courthouse hours: 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. on Friday, May 2 and on Monday, May 5. The Tahoka city

and school ballots, as well as the Lynn County propositions ballot, will be available.

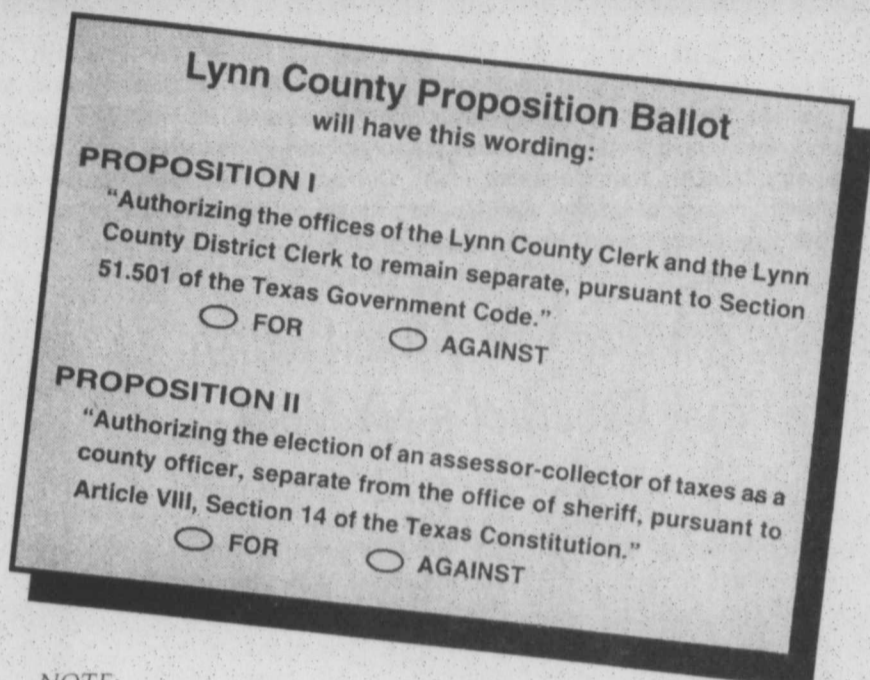
City of Wilson: Two council seats: Cody Paul Donald, Oscar Follis (i) and a blank line for a write-in candidate (Doris Behrend has filed as a write-in candidate but her name will not be printed on the ballot). The mayoral election was cancelled due to Donald Klaus being unopposed for the seat. Early voting at Wilson City Hall during regular hours, 8 a.m.-12 noon and 1-3 p.m. Mon-Fri. Additional early voting hours will be offered on two days, 7 a.m.-7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 29 and Wednesday, April 30.

Wilson ISD: Two trustee seats: Clyde Wilke (i), Danny Mendez (i), Josh Isham, Christi Clark, and Kim Steen. Early voting at Wilson ISD Central Office, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Mon-Fri.

City of O'Donnell: Mayor and two council seats: James Williams (i) unopposed for Mayor; for council: Harry Howell (i), Scotty Martinez (i), Max Mendieta, and Rex Little. Early voting at O'Donnell City Hall during regular business hours. Additional early voting hours will be offered Thursday and Friday, May 1-2, from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m.

O'Donnell ISD: Special Election for a 1-year unexpired term: Sharmye Jonas, Brian James; and Trustee Election for two full-term seats on the board: Stella Arguello (i), Cade Furlow, Maria Casillas, Craig Dempsey and Chad Sumners. Early voting at OISD Administration Office, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Mon-Fri.

Two Elections Cancelled: Lynn County Hospital District cancelled their election for two directors due to unopposed candidates, as did the City of New Home, with three council candidates unopposed. New Home ISD schedules their election in November.



NOTE:

(It is my understanding that the following actions would most likely occur as the result of voter approval/disapproval of these Propositions. However, county officials still have no word from a request to the Attorney General's office regarding this issue, and this information is merely what is predicted to occur. All actions are considered to be contingent upon the AG Opinion, which may not be received for six months. -- Editor)

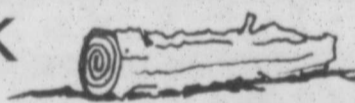
If both propositions pass (FOR),

the county offices will remain in operation as they have been, with no changes, and the currently-elected officials would continue to perform their duties.

If the propositions do not pass (AGAINST),

then the county would probably elect only one clerk to oversee both county and district clerk duties, and the sheriff would assume the duties of the tax assessor-collector. The current offices of County Clerk, District Clerk, and Tax Assessor would most likely be declared null and void, and those currently-elected officeholders would no longer have those titles. It is uncertain whether those former officials would continue to serve the county in the newly-organized offices in another capacity.

woodwork by dalton



A RECENT study conducted at Harvard University, supposedly a hotbed of brainy people, concludes that when babies sleep less, they may gain too much weight. The study shows that babies who sleep less than 12 hours a day are more likely to be overweight, even at preschool age.

I could have told them that, assuming that what works for adults works for babies, too, because they also threw in some statistics that said how much TV 2-year-olds watch also contributes to their obesity.

I know that the more TV I watch, the fatter I get, and vice versa. All television programs are better with M&Ms. But I was a bit surprised by the comment that children who slept the least and watched the most television were most likely to be fat, especially by the claim that many 2-year-olds watch television as much as two hours a day.

I wouldn't have thought most 2-year-olds watched TV at all. Besides, most TV programming is so idiotic that anyone as old as 2 would reject it.

The Harvard study said sleep's impact on appetite hormones may be one reason a kid who stays awake gets fat. And the study also concluded that TV viewing increases the risk of obesity both because it takes time away from calorie-burning play and because of food ads for snacks and fast food.

The families in the latest study lived in Massachusetts and "had relatively high incomes and education levels," according to a Harvard professor.

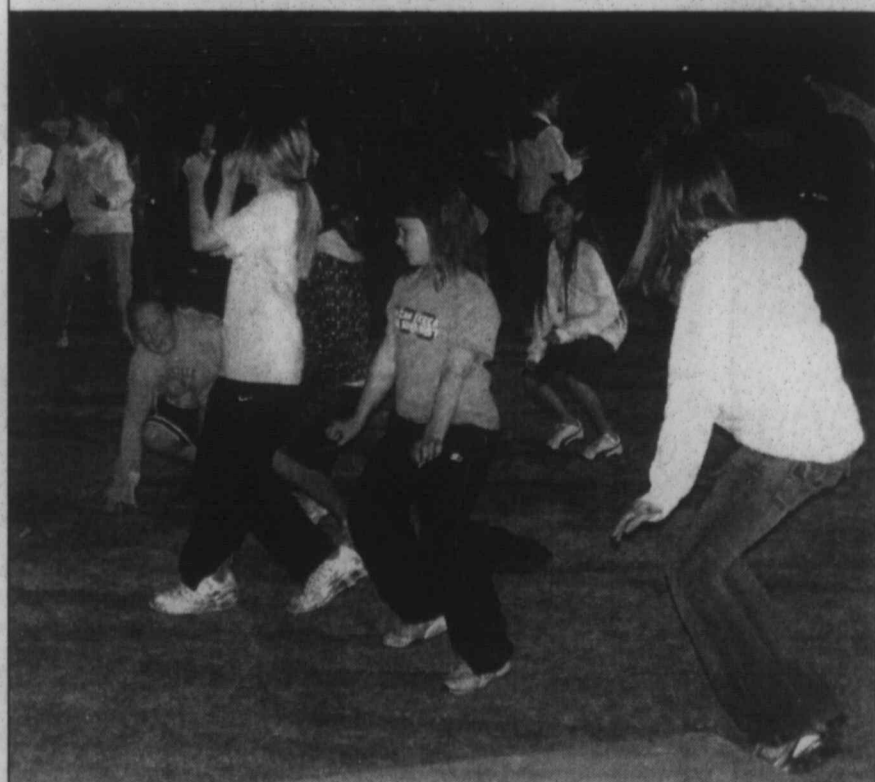
They can't be too smart up there, though, or they wouldn't keep on voting for Ted Kennedy.

LAUGHTER, we are told, is good for your health. A laugh or even a smile can go a long way in helping us feel better, according to a paper I read recently. Laughter "activates the chemistry of the will to live and increases our capacity to fight disease, relaxes the body and reduces problems associated with high blood pressure, strokes, arthritis and ulcers. It also may reduce the risk of heart disease."

So, if laughter prolongs someone's life, I hope that what I say here will produce a laugh, or at least a chuckle. I would like for all my readers to die laughing, but not right away.



Having fun for a good cause ... "HOPE" was not only spelled out by luminarias at The Lynn County Relay For Life, it was the theme of the American Cancer Society's 12-hour event held at the Tahoka High School football field Friday night. A special Luminaria lighting ceremony at 9 p.m. honored the victims of cancer, with some giving heartfelt testimonials and remembrances of loved ones lost to the disease. But after the football field lights came back on, the youth at the event entertained the crowd with some impromptu dance moves, and the fun continued throughout the night. Walkers from Relay teams walked the track throughout the event, and the Relay officially closed at 7 a.m. Saturday. More than \$13,000 was raised for the ACS, according to sponsors. (LCN PHOTOS)





"Don't Let Your Life Go To Pot"... These New Home ISD smaCd students presented a program at the Region 17 Teen SUMMIT in January and February. smaCd students have been in charge of the exhibitors at the Teen SUMMIT for the past two years and were recently elected to serve again for 2008-09. Pictured here from left, back row, are Jenny Maeker, Kali Gonzales, Josh Correa, Rebekah Bartley, Kassidi Gonzales and Sterling Ford; center row, Kari Maeker, Amanda Whitten, and Steelle Feaster; and bottom row, Kris Silva, Garrett Kennedy and Mikaela Wallace.

Local's Niece Conducted Music For Pope Benedict's NY Visit

Hallmark and Connie Pierce of Tahoka had good reason to watch televised coverage of Pope Benedict's recent visit to New York City during his April 15-20 USA visit. Connie's niece is the Director of Music of St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York, and she conducted the music for the Pope's visit there as well as at the Mass for more than 50,000 people at Yankee Stadium.

The Hallmarks are justifiably proud of Dr. Jennifer Pascual, 37, an accomplished organist/pianist/vocalist and conductor who has performed for audiences worldwide. This is not her first time to perform for the Pope however - in 1995, when Pope John Paul II conducted a Mass in Central Park, Dr. Pascual sang soprano in one of the assembled choirs.

She is the first woman to serve as the director of music at St. Patrick's Cathedral, which is considered one of the most prestigious sacred music positions in the United States. She is the youngest, the first woman, and the first Asian-American to hold the position. She also teaches and serves as Director of Music at the St. Joseph's Seminary and College in Yonkers, NY.

Her parents are both Filipino immigrants to America, who introduced their daughter to music at the age of 5 with piano lessons. She took her Bachelor of Music Education and Bachelor of Music in Organ and Piano Performance (magna cum laude) in Jacksonville University in Florida. She then moved to New York where she took up her Master of Music in Piano Performance at Mannes College of



Dr. Jennifer Pascual

Music and her Doctor of Musical Arts in Organ Performance with a minor in Church Music at the Eastman School of Music. She also trained at the Goteborg International Organ Academy in Sweden.

Dr. Pascual is a musical conductor and a liturgical and concert organist. She also hosts a popular radio program, "Sounds From the Spires," on the Catholic Channel 159 in New York. From 1994-2004, she served as rehearsal accompanist for the Boys Choir of Harlem.

Local Hospital Allotted \$31,584 In Tobacco Settlement Funds

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs has distributed \$92.3 million to Texas communities from the Tobacco Settlement Permanent Trust Account.

The money, released on Wednesday, will help 2 cities, 159 counties, and 135 hospital districts recover their costs for indigent health care provided during 2007. Lynn County Hospital District was allotted \$31,584.73, according to the Texas Department of State Health Services website.

"This year the state is sending 12 percent more money to communities responsible for providing indigent care," Combs said. "This money comes from Texas' settlement with tobacco companies and will help communities offset the costs of providing medical care for those who cannot pay."

The Tobacco Settlement Permanent Trust Account, established after the state settled a lawsuit against tobacco companies, as of Dec. 31, 2007, had a balance of \$2.4 billion. The Comptroller manages and over-

sees the fund, with the guidance of the 11-member Tobacco Settlement Permanent Trust Account Investment Advisory Committee.

This year's distribution to local entities increased by about \$9.6 million over last year's distribution. Since the first distribution of funds in April 2001, local entities have received nearly \$430 million from the trust fund.

Cities, counties and hospital 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. Lynn County Hospital District reported \$709,152 in unreimbursed indigent health care expenditures in 2007, according to the website.

A complete list of cities, counties and hospital districts receiving tobacco settlement funds this year is available on the Texas Department of State Health Services Web site at www.dshs.state.tx.us/tobaccosettlement.

Obituaries

Sceanie Payne

Funeral services were pending with White Funeral Home of Tahoka Wednesday morning for Sceanie Payne, 89, of Tahoka, formerly of O'Donnell.



AUBREY SMITH

Aubrey L. Smith

Celebration of Life Services for Aubrey Lanceford Smith, 92, lifelong resident of New Home, were held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, April 19, at New Home Baptist Church in New Home, with Rev. Paul McClung officiating and Rev. Calvin Gray assisting. Interment was at Resthaven Memorial Park, under the direction of White Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Smith departed this life on April 15, 2008. He was born on November 28, 1915 to Sam and Lucy (Hilton) Smith, who were pioneer settlers of Lynn County and founders of the New Home Community. Aubrey attended New Home High School. He married Pauline Shadden on May 25, 1936 in Tahoka. She preceded him in death on April 24, 1998. He was a farmer until his retirement in 1995. Mr. Smith served on the New Home ISD School Board and was a former deacon at New Home Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife; both parents; four brothers, Truett, Chester, Clyde, and Carson Smith; and two sisters, and Ollie Izard and Beulah Pridmore.

Those left to cherish his memory are one daughter, Kay Brown and husband, Larry of Amarillo; one son, Ken Smith and wife, Sharon of Haskell; five grandchildren, Shon Brown of Keller, Missy Slavin of Dallas, Kristal Mooneyham of Amarillo, Kimberly Scott of Minneapolis, MN, and Kendal Smith of Arlington; 11 great-grandchildren, Slade Brown, Ryan Brown, Taylor Chapman, Aubrey Slavin, Conner Slavin, Parker Mooneyham, Brock Mooneyham, Ian Scott, Hannah Pauline Scott, Julia Scott, and Jacob Smith.

The family requests memorials be sent to New Home Baptist Church, P.O. Box 246, New Home, Texas 79383. (PAID)

Kyra Helm Named All-South Plains

Kyra Helm, a sophomore at Tahoka High School and basketball standout for the Lady Bulldogs, was named to the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal's All-South Plains Basketball Team. She was the only Tahoka player named to the team.

Helm averaged 13.2 points per game and 7 rebounds per game. The Lady Bulldogs finished second in District 4-2A behind Slaton.



STORK REPORT

Robert and Darla Heinrich of Lubbock announce the arrival of their son, Michael Carl Heinrich, born on April 17, 2008 at 6:08 a.m. He weighed 6 lbs and 3 oz. and was 19-1/2 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Doyle and Donna Willis of Tahoka. Paternal grandparents are Charlie and Martha McQuay of Idalou. Paternal great-grandparents are JC and Bobbie Heinrich of Idalou.

Adam and Lori Vaca of Lubbock announce the birth of their daughter Amanda Ann, born on April 7, 2008. She weighed 7 lbs. and 8 oz. and was 21 inches long. She has an older brother Aaron.

Grandparents are Chuck and Susan Tipton of Tahoka, Caleb and Anna Vaca of Lubbock, Ruby Goforth of Clovis, N.M. and Bill and Frances Chancy of Tahoka.

Slaton Arts Festival Set For Saturday

The city of Slaton will offer the first Slaton Arts on the Square spring festival on April 26, from 10 am to 5 pm. The festival will take place in the downtown square of Slaton and is free to the public.

Live music from local and regional musicians will be offered and the waterSpace south, waterSpace north and Mercy Retreat Center galleries will be open for free for public viewing.

The Slaton Arts on the Square spring festival will include art demonstrations taught by Texas Tech University students and faculty. Demonstrations will include photography, printmaking and ceramics. The Lubbock Master Gardeners will also be available for a presentation on rainwater harvesting and water conservation. Other events for children are also planned.

For more information contact The City of Slaton at 806-828-6238 or visit online at www.slatonchamberofcommerce.org or www.myslaton.com.



DONATIONS to the Lynn County Hospital District EMS are greatly appreciated. LCRD EMS, Box 1310, Tahoka, TX

Senior Citizens MENU

- April 28-May 2**
Monday: Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, white gravy, corn bread, chocolate pudding
Tuesday: Crispy Beef tacos, Spanish rice, pinto beans, lettuce/tomato, sugar cookies
Wednesday: Chicken and dumplings, sweet peas, cracker assortment, gingerbread
Thursday: Pork chops, scalloped potatoes, cauliflower and broccoli w/ cheese, homemade rolls, ice cream sundaes
Friday: Grilled ham and cheese sandwiches, lettuce & tomato salad, chips, fresh fruit tray

Library Looking For "Friends"

Patrons of the City-County Library in Tahoka will be meeting to discuss forming a "Friends of the Library" group on Monday, April 28 at 6 p.m. at the Life Enrichment Center.

According to organizers, many public libraries, including several in West Texas, have Friends groups to help with fund raising, event organization, volunteering, and advocacy; and there is even a national organization, Friends of Libraries USA.

Anyone interested in becoming a "Friend" is invited to attend the meeting. For more information, contact the library at 561-4050.

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Wilson ISD To Begin Student Drug-Testing

Wilson Independent School District Board of Trustees voted at their April 15 meeting to begin a drug-testing program for students involved in any extra-curricular activities at the school, and revised local policy to address the drug-testing issue. Trustees voted to contract with Allied Compliance for the student drug-testing service for the 2008-09 school year.

"Wilson ISD has not had a drug-testing program in the past, but this is something we have been considering for some time," said Mike Jones, Superintendent. "Even though it will cost the district more in the budget, the board felt that ensuring the safety and welfare of our youth is important, and in fact, parent input has told us they are 100% behind it as well," Jones told *The News*. "This may give our students an additional reason to say no to drugs, and that's what we want."

Other schools throughout the area provide similar drug-testing for students. Jones said the drug-testing policy at Wilson will include all students who participate in any extra-curricular activities, not just athletics, and will not target a particular group. The procedure will test urine samples for certain drugs.

"We will have a mandatory drug testing of all extra-curricular students in the fall semester and again in the spring semester, and will also have random testing throughout the school year,"

Jones said. "These random testings will be selected by the testing company - school officials won't have anything to do with those selections," he added.

"From what I understand, the drug testing results are pretty immediate, within just a few minutes. A student who fails an initial drug test will have that same sample sent off for more definitive testing, and the student will be presumed innocent until those additional testing results are compiled," Jones said.

The Wilson ISD policy outlines a series of consequences for failure to pass a drug test, including exclusion from all extra-curricular activities for a 15-day period for a first offense, and 30-day exclusion for a second offense, followed by more stringent consequences for subsequent offenses.

In other business, the board discussed compensation for principal applicants when one is selected. Wilson ISD has been without a principal since December 2006, and Supt. Jones has been fulfilling those duties during the interim.

"Our selection team has interviewed four candidates thus far, and we expect to interview a couple more this week," Jones told *The News*. "We will probably bring back three candidates as finalists to take to the board for consideration, and it is anticipated that the board will make their final selection in May, with

the new principal to begin duties on June 1," he added.

Trustees approved revisions to the District Improvement Plan, and approved a proposal from Texas Kids First for student accident insurance plan coverage. Jim Kingery, CPA, was hired to conduct the 2007-08 school financial audit.

A special meeting was set for Thursday, May 15 to canvass the election results from the May 10 school board/city joint election.

Supt. Jones reported a resignation from Mrs. Teri Covington as the elementary custodian. The board met in closed session for a personnel discussion but took no action upon returning to open session. The superintendent gave a staff configuration report for 2008-09 with the main difference being a move back to self-contained classrooms in grades 3-4-5 next year due to staffing.

Mrs. Autumn Racca was recognized as the Wilson School Employee of the Month for April. Elementary student of the month was Bailey Steen, junior high student of the month was Austin Castillo, and the high school student of the month was Victoria Zepeda.

The next regular board meeting was set for May 8. After adjourning from the meeting, trustees received Level 2 training on team building. Trustees Ricky Cross and Casey Donald were not present for the meeting.



Texas Tobacco Free Day... On April 2, New Home ISD smaCd students came dressed as Karate experts as part of the theme for Texas Tobacco Free Day. smaCd students had stations set up for other students to participate in games to earn special prizes for their efforts. smaCd students are, in back from left, Kali Gonzales, Kassidi Gonzales, Josh Correa, Kari Maeker, Jenny Maeker, Garrett Kennedy, and Amanda Whitten, and in front, Rebekah Bartley and Mikaela Wallace. Not pictured are Steele Feaster, Kris Silva and Sterling Ford.

Neugebauer Honored With 'Taxpayers' Friend Award'

WASHINGTON, DC - Congressman Randy Neugebauer (TX-19) has been recognized for his pro-taxpayer voting record in 2007 by the National Taxpayers Union (NTU). The nonpartisan citizen group made up of 362,000-members announced today that Neugebauer was one of only a few dozen lawmakers in the House and Senate to win the 2007 "Taxpayers' Friend Award."

"While many Members of Congress talked about reducing the size of government last year, Congressman Randy Neugebauer, the Representative of the 19th Congressional District of Texas, backed up his words by his votes," NTU President Duane Parde said. "This award proves that Congressman Neugebauer is a staunch ally we can count on in our battle to restore fiscal responsibility to Washington."

The award is presented to those Members who achieve an "A" grade in NTU's annual Rating of Congress. The Rating, which is based on every roll call vote affecting fiscal policy, assigns a "Taxpayer Score" to each Member of Congress that indicates his or her support for reducing or controlling federal spending, taxes, debt, and regulation. For 2007, a total of 427 House votes were analyzed.

When notified of his selection, Neugebauer commented, "It is a true honor to be recognized by such a prestigious group that never strays from their devotion to smaller govern-

ment and reducing the high tax burden placed upon American citizens. I have promised my constituents I will be fiscally responsible and fight to ensure they keep more of their hard earned money because I know they are far more capable than government bureaucrats of spending it wisely. I am honored to accept this award and promise to continue my fight in Congress for fiscal responsibility. I will work to reduce taxes, including eliminating the death tax once and for all and keeping the 2001 and 2003 tax cuts permanent, and continue to work with my colleagues to cut wasteful federal spending, being better stewards of the taxpayers' money."

"Congressman Neugebauer's pro-taxpayer score of 85 percent was one of the best in the entire House," Parde said. "By consistently voting to reduce federal spending, taxes, and debt, he has led by example in the fight to ease the burden on taxpayers everywhere. This is an achievement for which he should be proud."

"If every Member of Congress had voted as responsibly as Congressman Randy Neugebauer did in 2007, Americans could have enjoyed much lower taxes and less waste in government," Parde concluded. "Overburdened taxpayers in Texas and across the nation owe Congressman Neugebauer a debt of gratitude for his hard work on their behalf. He has truly earned the distinction of the 'Taxpayers' Friend.'"

New Home SCHOOL MENU

April 28-30 Breakfast
Monday: French Toast Sticks
Tuesday: Griddlewich
Wednesday: Breakfast pizza
Thursday-Friday: not available
Lunch
Monday: Fried burrito, carrot/cucumber, Spanish rice, orange half
Tuesday: Pizza, lettuce/tomato, baby carrots, corn, jello
Wednesday: Popcorn chicken, mac and cheese, green beans, baby carrots, peach cup
Thursday-Friday: not available

Road Of Life Leadership Camp Set in New Home

The Leadership camp will be held on May 15, for students in grades Pre-K through the eighth grade. The camp will be presented by the members of New Home smaCd.

Sessions that will be given during the camp are: Strangers Can Mean Danger, Spit Tobacco Abuse, Proper Nutrition for a Growing Body, The Consequences of Marijuana Use, The Lifelong Problems of Smoking, and How To Stand Up to Bullying.

Each student participating in the Leadership Camp is asked to bring a new summer toy for the children of the Children's Home of Lubbock.

The Lynn County News encourages you to attend church this Sunday!

OISD Hires New Elementary Teacher

O'Donnell ISD Board of Trustees met in regular session Tuesday night, unanimously approving a one-year probationary contract for Debbie Franklin as an elementary teacher. Mrs. Franklin will be teaching kindergarten.

Trustees approved the 2008-09 school calendar that was chosen by campus/district site base committees and staff, and approved a resolution supporting the development of wind energy in Dawson County. The board also approved the elementary Texas Educators Excellence Grant (TEEG), which is a \$40,000 grant for the elementary. Over the last few years, OISD has been awarded TEEG grants for multiple campuses, including \$40,000 grants each for the elementary, junior high and high school campuses. This year's grant is a Cycle 3 grant for the elementary campus only.

Trustees directed Superintendent Rodney Schneider to develop policy options for their consideration that allows individuals an opportunity to be absent from duty to serve in a humanitarian disaster relief capac-

ity without losing a significant number of personal leave days. The board also discussed the possibility of purchasing a maintenance trailer for the school, but took no action at this time. The board approved applying for a District Award for Teacher Excellence (DATE) grant application, and the grant subcommittee voted unanimously to target all of the available grant funds toward the junior high and high school campuses.

Supt. Schneider expressed congratulations to all of the students who participated at the State Science Fair, and to the sponsors who worked with them, and to student Korie Wilson for qualifying for the state golf tournament.

The Celebration of Excellence recognition went to Donna Forbis and Vicky Smallwood, who took over the one-act play program in the middle of the year to prepare the students for contest.

A special meeting was scheduled for April 28 to consider action on the DATE grant application, and the next regular meeting was set for May 20.

O'Donnell Homecoming Set Sept. 26

O'Donnell ISD Homecoming will be held Sept. 26, 2008. The Homecoming Exes Banquet will be Saturday evening, Sept. 27, at 6 p.m.

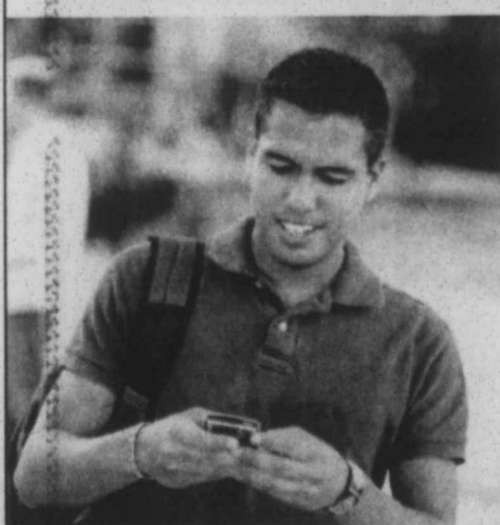
The OHS Classes of 1958 and 1983 are looking for class members' addresses. Please contact Gustine Barrington at 428-3800 for the Class of 1958, or Debbie Garza at 428-3247 or Kathy Grant at 645-8445 for the Class of 1983.

Clopton Honored

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I would appreciate your vote on **May 10, 2008** at the Life Enrichment Center. Early voting begins April 28 and continues through May 6, 2008 at the Lynn County Clerk's Office in the Lynn County Courthouse.

PLEASE VOTE -- IT MATTERS TO TAHOKA!

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All the right moves ... These high school youth knew all the right moves to one of the songs played over the loudspeakers at the Lynn County Relay For Life, held Friday night at the Tahoka football field. The guys were having a good time while supporting a good cause. (LCN PHOTO)

Wilson ISD Lists Honor Rolls

Wilson Elementary students listed on the all A Honor Roll for the fifth six weeks are: First Grade- Amber Guzman, Rebekah Parmer, Ragin Taylor and Brooke Tyson. Second Grade- Ebby Spencer and Kylie Steen. Third Grade- Nicole Ramirez. Fourth Grade- Katie Jones and Bryan Pena and Fifth Grade- Megan Lehmann, Roman Parmer and Dillon Trevino.

Students listed on the AB Honor Roll: First Grade- Destiny Alba and Filiberto Perez. Second Grade- Brittany Daniel, Lance Lopez, Meghan Ramirez, Xavier Ramirez and Samantha Valdez. Third Grade- Warren Flud, Dominique Frausto, Kalie Hernandez, Rebekah Hite and Bailey Steen. Fourth Grade- Angel Lopez and Brayden Permenter. Fifth Grade- Dillon Gonzales and Alfredo Rodriguez.

6th Grade All A- Ray Parmer. The following students are listed on the A-B Honor Roll- 7th Grade- Jeremy Atchison, Enrique Frausto, Kaitlin Garcia, Mayra Gonzalez, Peggy Jackson, David Ramirez and Matthew Richardson. 8th Grade- Rebecca Benavides, Laura Joiner and Juana Lopez. 9th Grade- Brittany Taylor and Amber Valadez. 10th Grade- Lindsey Aldous, Jenna Autry and Janet Valdez. 12th Grade- Victoria Zepeda and Danielle Chance.

Wilson UIL Banquet Set

The Wilson UIL banquet will be held on Tuesday, May 13, at 6:30 p.m. at the Wilson School. Tickets are \$10 each. Contact the school, Melissa Mendez, Angelie Frausto or Sophie Ramirez for tickets.

Wilson SCHOOL MENU

April 28-30

Monday: Canada Bacon, Toast, Yogurt and bananas
Tuesday: Donuts
Wednesday: Burritos
Thursday-Friday: not available
Lunch
Monday: Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, salad, French bread stick, fruit
Tuesday: Tater Tot casserole, Tossed salad, fresh fruit, sugar cookies
Wednesday: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, roll
Thursday-Friday: not available

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Crutcher Wins Third In International Trap Event

Kaleb Crutcher, a freshman trap shooter from Western Texas College, placed third in the International Trap competition at the Association of College Unions International's (ACUI) 40th Annual Intercollegiate Clay Target Championships held at the National Shooting Complex in San Antonio.

Kaleb is the son of Darryl and Regina Crutcher, and grandson of John and Pearl Crutcher and Fern Barnes. He is a 2007 graduate of O'Donnell High School.

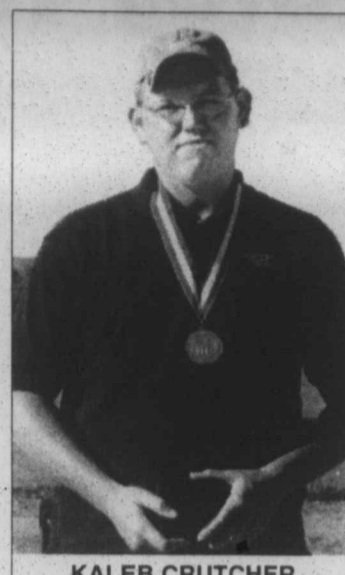
The O'Donnell native broke 96 out of a possible 100 clay targets to qualify for the International Trap final, where he hit 20 out of 25 targets to tie Derrick Mein of Kansas State University for third place. Crutcher broke six targets to Mein's five in a miss-and-out shoot-off to claim sole possession of third place.

Approximately 200 shotgun shooters from colleges and universities nationwide competed in the event. Crutcher ended up as runner-up high over-all trap shooter with 195 out of 200 targets.

Crutcher, 19, began shooting at the age of 11 and served as the junior captain of the Texas State Trapshooting Association in 2006-2007. This year marked his first time competing at the collegiate national championships.

"I was hoping I could come and do pretty well," Crutcher said. "I was just really excited to place in my first year."

Not only is Crutcher Western Texas College's lone representative at the national championships, he shoots and practices on his own, unlike many of his peers who compete on a school-affiliated team. His father, Darryl, serves as his coach.



KALEB CRUTCHER

"I was really excited for him," Darryl said. "Kaleb's always seemed to be a good shooter, so I thought he'd well down here. He's always done pretty well in everything he's shot."

The Intercollegiate Clay Target Championships are the only national tournament in which collegiate shooters may compete in five different clay target events in the same program. The events include International Skeet, International Trap, American Skeet, American Trap, and Five-Stand Sporting Clays. The aggregate scores of the four trap and skeet contests are used to determine men's, women's, and team national champions. Tournament sponsors include the National Rifle Association, Winchester, USA Shooting, NSSA/NSCA, and the National Shooting Sports Foundation.

Three hundred collegiate shotgun shooters representing 38 colleges and universities competed in the championships.

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Terry County Quilt Show Is Apr. 24-26

The 2nd Annual Terry County Quilt Show will be held in downtown Brownfield April 24 – 26. Contemporary and antique quilts will be displayed at 517 W. Main Street in the former J-M Western Wear building.

During the Quilt Show hand quilting demonstrations will be given by the Cotton Trail Quilters of Terry County. The quilters will be available to answer questions and provide limited one-on-one instruction.

This quilt event is a show; not a competition. Mary Collier, Terry County Extension Agent said, "This show is strictly for the enjoyment. I want people to come and enjoy the art. Quilts are art."

A postage stamp quilt made in Terry County in 1938 will be displayed. Pieced and quilted by hand by the late Mattie McCutcheon Adams, this quilt is made of 4559 1" squares of fabric. The 4560th square is three pieces of fabric stitched together to make a 1" square. The quilt is featured in *Texas Quilt & Quilters: A Lone Star Legacy* by Marcia Kaylakie with Janice Whittington.

The quilt show will be held from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. each day. There is no entrance fee for the event and there is no entry fee for quilts. To submit a quilt for the show, contact Mary Collier at 806-637-4060.

Additional antique quilts can be viewed at the Terry County Heritage Museum, 600 E. Cardwell in Brownfield, and the Meadow Museum, 205 W. Mitchell in Meadow.

Terry County is the home of the first quilt trail in Texas. Ten 7' x 7' quilt blocks painted on wooden panels are placed throughout the county. The quilt blocks are on display year-round, and more blocks are planned.

As the fifth largest cotton producing county in the nation, Terry County farmers grow short staple cotton, the type used to manufacture fabric.

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Letter To The Editor

Relay For Life Committee Thanks Local Community for Great Event

A big "Thanks" to everyone that helped, contributed, and participated in the 2008 Lynn County Relay For Life. With the help of the committee and our wonderful community we raised over \$13,000 (and we are still counting). We had very generous sponsors! Without the businesses that took time to help us donate to the American Cancer Society, our Relay would not have been as successful. We are all very thankful for them.

Thanks also to all the teams that took time out of their own personal schedules to complete all the fundraisers and donations for the Relay. We had great results from our teams! The football field was full of awesome people ready to give their time and donations for the Relay. It was truly touching! The teams worked very hard to do their part, and I am extremely thankful for all of you.

There were also many people that simply attended and participated in the festivities. All the donations we received for the Luminaries this year bumped us up \$400 more than last year's Luminaries donations. Over \$1,600 was raised from Luminaries alone! Thank you all for your donations!

I want all the Survivors and Caregivers to know that your attendance and participation gave us all the motivation to keep the Relay going, and we were all determined to raise as much money as possible. We do this for you! You all are my inspiration to do more. You are all courageous in this battle, and I have so much respect for you all! I am glad you all were a part of our Relay that we do for you.

I cannot end without thanking the help of the committee! So many people were eagerly willing to help with anything. I was extremely thankful! This Relay could not have gone so smoothly without the committee. We made a great team and worked well together! Thank you from the bottom of my heart and please know that all your hard work and determination will never go unnoticed! I hope everyone will take a part in next year's Lynn County Relay For Life. It is a heartfelt event that opens eyes to the realization of how many people are touched by cancer, and the Relay gives you all a chance to give back to our community. Thank you all again and I cannot wait to see the success next year's Relay will bring!

The following contributed as sponsors for the Relay:
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Byron Norwood
Keith Pascal
Gail Quisenberry and the Tahoka I.S.D. Custodial staff
All teachers and adults that helped chaperone
DJ — Jamar Jordan

The following are Relay Committee members and many helpers:

Amy Barrera
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A special thanks to Kathy Oaks, our contact person in the district American Cancer Society office. Kathy has been with us for two years helping, making suggestions, and supporting our efforts. And finally, thanks to the community members who donated time and money, worked anonymously, and participated in the Relay Friday night. And, if I have failed to mention any individual's contribution, please forgive. We had so many individuals help this year, it was hard keeping up, but we tried our best. Know that you all are appreciated. Thank you!
Amy Barrera

Tahoka SCHOOL MENU

April 28-30 Breakfast
Monday: Yogurt stick
Tuesday: Pop Tart
Wednesday: Morning Sausage
Thursday-Friday Not available
Lunch
Monday: Sub sandwich, tater tots, baby carrots, brownie
Tuesday: Pizza, salad, banana, peach cup
Wednesday: Stuffed baked potato, baby carrots w/ ranch, fresh fruit cup, Texas toast
Thursday-Friday Not available

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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 McKinnen, 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."

Tahoka I.S.D. Lists Honor Rolls

Students listed on the Tahoka High School Honor Roll for the fifth six weeks are: seniors Amy Barrera, Kristin Box, Josh Freitag, Earnest Gomez, Marissa Gomez, Bailey Hall, Maegan Hall, Steven Lara, Jessica McLelland, Demetria Salinas, Jacob Stephens and Marissa Villegas. Juniors- Morgan Fisher, Jannifer Marquez, Samantha Pridmore, Vicente Salinas, Valerie Sosa and Cori Vega. Sophomores- Jenna Askew and A'Leesha Truelove. Freshman- Kenzie Angeley, Emily Box, Lacey DeVine, Kadi Carpenter, Sabrina Morales, Kaitlyn Reno, Monica Strickland and Patrick Wells.

Middle School Honor Roll students are: Kristal DeVine, Cort Fisher, Erynn Harris, Elizabeth Locke, Jori Chapa, Sarah Freitag, Logan Tekell and Hannah Thomas.

Tahoka Elementary students listed on the Perfect Attendance honor roll include: Pre-K: Alexia Saldana, Derrick Scott, Mikalah Stroope, Katie Crank, Blaze Garces, Dante Graves, Eric Jimenez, Jr., Grace Serrato, Marcus Garza and Deastiny Rodriguez. Kindergarten: Faith Arce, Noe Olveda, Andrew Saldana, Braden Stone, Brodi Webster, Noah Williams, Elvis Garces, Joey Herrera, Lala Morin, John Stone, Sophie Thomas, Joel Calsocit, Charlie Conner, Angel Ramirez and Tristen Stice. First Grade: Alyssa Dotson, Miguel Granados, Adrian Montez, Angela Quintero, Bryson Resendez, Chloe Moore, Adriana Gonzales, Halli Harris, Alexa Ramero, Mason Walker, Javier Zuniga, Zoey Vargas, Sarah Crank, Danalyn Garcia, Mackenzie Henry, Gabrielle, Littrell, Carol Locke, and Tamyia Stroope.

Students on the Superstar Honor Roll were: Second Grade: Serena Ayala, Bentley Harbison, Carrie Rose McDaniel, Peter Nickel, Dylan Ortega, Ruben Quinonez, Natalie Stice, Brandon Farrell, Patrick Herrera, Kyle Jones, Lisa Moroles, Eric Saldana, Glynn Shelton and Pedro Hernandez. Third Grade: Braden Cook, Emit Quintero, Klynn McCleskey, Averi Starkey, Olivia Hammonds, Michaila Lopez and Grant Tekell. Fourth Grade: Miranda DeLeon, Andrea Garcez, Katharina Nickel, Maci Dimak, Carlos Moralez and M'Lin Hill. Fifth Grade: Jeremiah DeLeon, Coy Mercer, Dane Rivas, Amanda Hill and Jackson Harbison.

Students on the Bulldog Honor Roll were: Second Grade: Timothy Garcia, Daniel Arriaga, Brayden Castillon, Mia Coronado, Katharine McCullough, and Katelynn Quinn. Third Grade: Andrew Forsythe, Brit Lockaby, Haley Stephens, Perry Brickley, Shelbi McMillan, Ashton Steffey and Alicia Broun. Fourth Grade: Grant Garvin, Ramon Montemayor, Adriana Salinas, Sarina Ybarra, Clarissa Lopez, Xenia Charon and Nick Garcia. Fifth Grade: Elvia Aguilar, Alyssa Pesina, Sonya Gonzales, Kara Carpenter and Skyler Hager.



Relay walkers ... People of all ages walked the track at the Lynn County Relay For Life, held Friday night at the Tahoka football field, with a representative from every Relay team on the track at all times. All proceeds raised at the event benefit the American Cancer Society. Paper sack luminarias lined the track, honoring cancer victims with memorials and honorariums. (LCN PHOTO)

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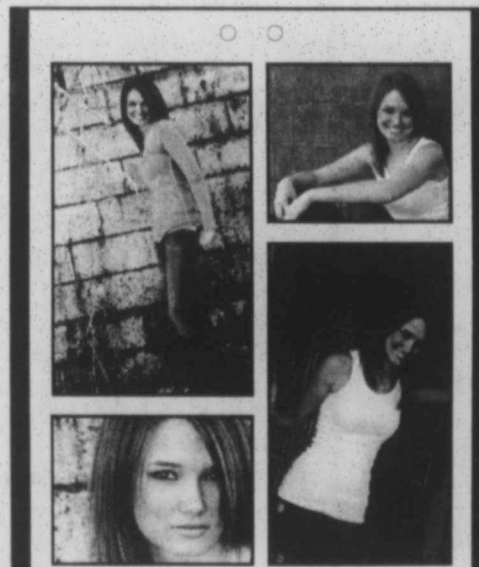
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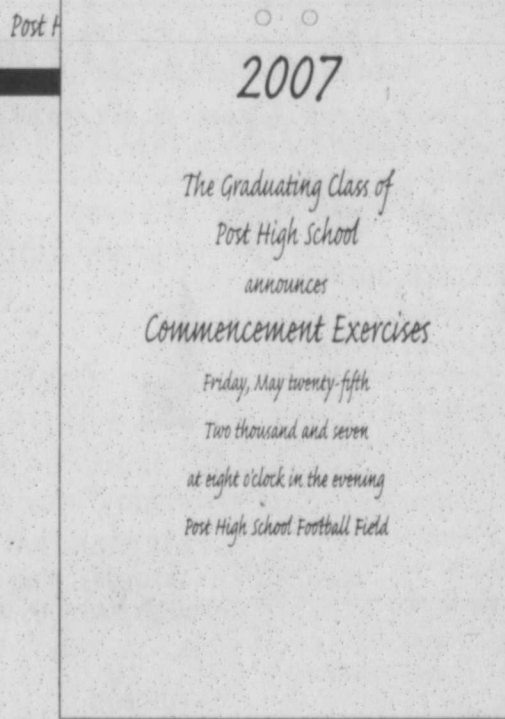
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Area Ground Water Levels Show Decrease; Lynn Increases

Observation wells indicate average annual change of -0.20 of a foot in groundwater levels during 2007 within High Plains Water District. However, portions of some counties showed increases, including Lynn County.

Annual depth to water level measurements made in early 2008 by the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 in Lubbock show an average decrease of -0.20 of a foot in the groundwater levels of the Ogallala aquifer during 2007 within the district's 6.8 million acre service area. In comparison, the 2007 depth-to-water level measurements previously indicated an average decrease of -0.91 of a foot during 2006.

The district 10-year average annual change increased from -0.76 of a foot for the 2006 report to -0.82 of a foot for the current report. The district five-year average annual change decreased from -0.61 of a foot for the 2006 report to -0.46 of a foot for the current report.

An average annual increase in groundwater levels was recorded in the portions of Armstrong, Crosby, and Floyd Counties within the district, as well as Hockley, Lubbock, and Lynn Counties. The water level increases ranged from 0.33 of a foot in the portion of Crosby County within the district to 1.62 feet in Lynn County.

Depth-to-water level measurements indicated an average annual decline of more than 1.9 feet in Castro and Parmer Counties. The remaining seven counties within the High Plains Water District had average annual

changes in groundwater levels of less than one foot. These ranged from -0.04 of a foot in the portion of Potter County within the district to -0.97 of a foot in Lamb County.

Several factors, including timely rainfall, awareness of the benefits of water conservation practices, and increased pumping costs, may have contributed to the lessened average annual change in groundwater levels from 2007 to 2008 within the district.

High Plains Water District officials caution that the average annual change in groundwater levels may significantly increase

from 2008 to 2009 if the region receives below-average rainfall during the year. Also, increased commodity prices may result in increased crop production, which in turn, may cause additional groundwater pumpage to supplement crop water demands.

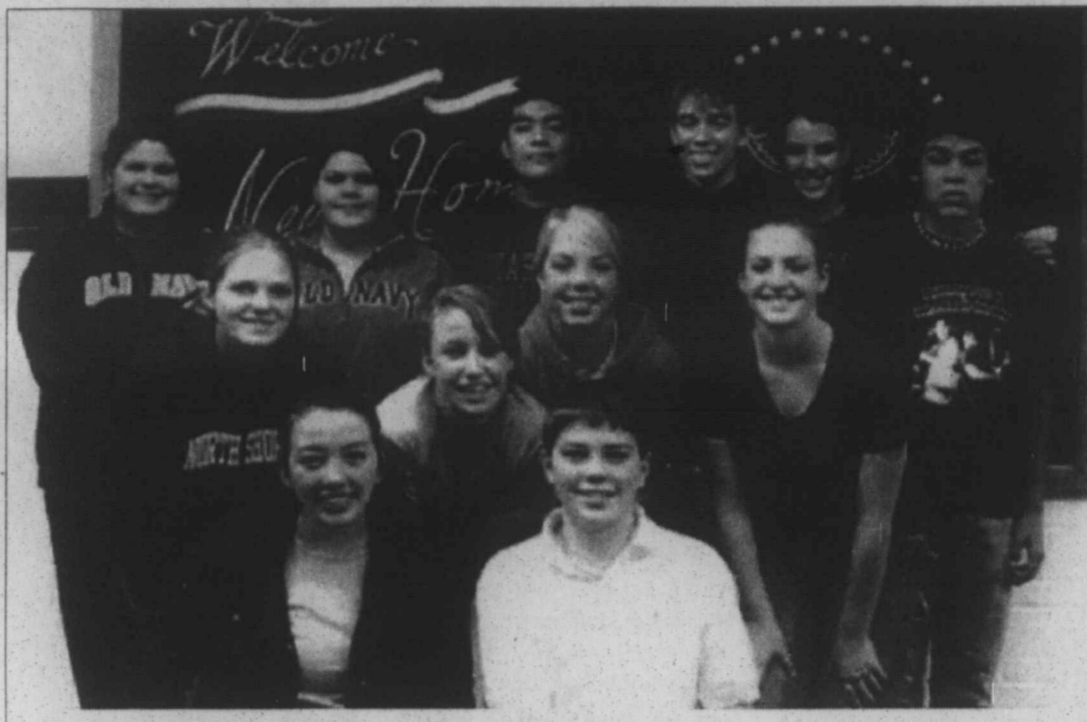
Depth-to-water level measurements are normally made from January to March each year to allow stabilization of water levels in the aquifer following pumpage during the previous year of groundwater production. The measurements are made in a network of more than 1,200 privately-owned water wells within the district area. The wells are at a density of one well per nine square miles and are part of the State Observation Well network administered by the Texas Water Development Board in Austin.

The current issue of the High Plains Water District's newsletter, The Cross Section, features the results of the annual 2008 depth-to-water level measurements. It contains individual county maps, which provide the approximate location of each well in the district's observation well network.

Each map is accompanied by available 1998, 2003, 2007, and 2008 depth-to-water level measurements for individual wells in that county. Also listed are available total changes in water levels in feet for each observation well for the periods 1998 to 2008, 2003 to 2008, and 2007 to 2008.

Historical depth-to-water level measurements have presented a district average decline of -2.15 feet in 1998; an average decline of -0.68 of a foot in 1999; an average decline of -1.14 feet in 2000; an average decline of -0.78 of a foot in 2001; an average decline of -1.06 feet in 2002; an average decline of -1.34 feet in 2003; an average increase of +0.74 of a foot in 2004; an average decline of -0.54 of a foot in 2005; and an average decline of -0.91 of a foot in 2006.

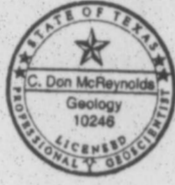
Additional information about the annual depth-to-water level measurement program is available by contacting the High Plains Underground Water Con-



Red Ribbon Helpers... During Red Ribbon Week, these New Home ISD smaCd members help Mrs. Durham with drug-free hand outs and presentations, and hosted a Leadership Camp for students in grades 2 through 8. Pictured here back row, from left to right, are Kali Gonzales, Kassidi Gonzales, Josh Correa, Sterling Ford, Jenny Maeker and Kris Silva; center row from left, Rebekah Bartley, Mikaela Wallace, Steelie Feaster and Amanda Whitten; and bottom row, Kari Maeker and Garrett Kennedy.

Average Changes in Depth-to-Water, in Feet, for Observation Wells

	Number of Observation Wells Maintained	Average Annual Change 1998 - 2008	Average Annual Change 2003 - 2008	Average Annual Change 2007 - 2008
Armstrong	10	+ 0.48	+ 0.72	+ 0.72
Bailey	110	- 0.59	- 0.28	- 0.32
Castro	91	- 1.92	- 1.47	- 1.92
Cochran	74	- 0.74	- 0.58	- 0.13
Crosby	74	- 0.47	+ 0.14	+ 0.33
Deaf Smith	87	- 0.37	- 0.30	- 0.48
Floyd	100	- 0.69	- 0.30	+ 0.54
Hale	110	- 1.59	- 0.90	- 0.65
Hockley	88	- 0.45	- 0.28	+ 0.61
Lamb	97	- 1.37	- 1.07	- 0.97
Lubbock	134	- 0.48	- 0.11	+ 0.82
Lynn	80	- 0.33	+ 0.58	+ 1.62
Parmer	92	- 1.65	- 1.33	- 1.93
Potter	7	0.00	- 0.28	- 0.04
Randall	50	+ 0.01	- 0.08	- 0.12
District	1,204	- 0.82	- 0.46	- 0.20



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servation District No. 1 at (806) 762-0181 or by visiting the water district's web site at www.hpwd.com.

Worker Protection Standard Training Set Here April 24

A Worker Protection Standard (WPS) training will be held on Thursday, April 24 beginning at 10:00 a.m. with an English version at The Center For Housing & Community Development (1400 Ave. K) in Tahoka. A Spanish training will be conducted at 11:00 a.m.

The Worker Protection Standard went into effect in 1995 and all persons must comply with WPS if they employ any person to produce a plant or plant product for sale and use any type of pesticides (herbicides, insecticides, fungicides, etc.)

Employers must comply with WPS by providing training to employees, post information at a central location, provide decontamination sites, provide emergency assistance, notify employees of re-entry intervals, provide protective equipment along with other requirements.

Hardwood Trees, Shrubs Still Available At Local SWCD

Seedling hardwood trees available at the Soil and Water Conservation District office in Tahoka include Bur Oaks, Catalpa, Pecan, Pefsimmon, Red Oaks, and Live Oaks. One gallon trees available include Bald Cypress.

Also still available are the following one gallon flowering shrubs and vines - Spanish Broom, Texas Sage, Red Tip Photinia, Mountain Fire, Scarlet O'Hara, Flame Salvia, and Pink Jasmine Vines.

Come by the SWCD Office at 1602 South 2nd St. to purchase these trees and shrubs or call Helen Saldaña at 998-4507 Ext. 3 for more information.

THS Class of 1978 Seeks Classmates

Members of the Tahoka High School class of 1978 are asked to contact one of the following classmates to begin a contact list for Homecoming festivities. If anyone has contact information for anyone who graduated in this class, please send it to any of the following:

Jodie Brecheen McClintock, 5016 Seminole Dr., Granbury, TX 75049, 817-776-1464, jodiemc@charter.net; Denise Curry Deuval, 212 Russell Lane, Hewitt, TX 76643, 254-723-0837, dddeuval@aol.com; or Richard Cranford, 11525 S. 67th E. Ave., Bixby, OK 74008, 918-640-5972, or email to rcranford@numedtech.com.

Check out the City of Tahoka's Website!



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

Ag Safety Day Set May 14

A Progressive Agriculture Safety Day for fourth and fifth grade students in Lynn County will be offered Wednesday, May 14, at Tahoka City Park and Life Enrichment Center. The event is hosted by the Texas AgriLife Extension Service in Lynn County in conjunction with the Progressive Agriculture Foundation.

The field trip is being coordinated through New Home, O'Donnell, Wilson and Tahoka schools. Students will participate in 10 presentations on a variety of safety topics including ATV safety, fire safety, seatbelt safety, animal safety, electrical safety, lawn equipment safety, firearm safety, drug safety, healthy lifestyles and more.

"Fourth and fifth grade students who are home schooled and reside in Lynn County are welcome to participate in the educational event; please call the Lynn County AgriLife Extension office at 561-4562 by April 18 to let us know that you will be attending," said Amy Baugh, agent.

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



Help Wanted

HELP WANTED: Full time position open at the Lynn County Hospital District Family Wellness Clinic for a medical assistant. Experience preferred. Applications available at Family Wellness Clinic, 1705 Lockwood, Tahoka, TX. 14-1tc

AGE 56+ HELP WANTED: Dependable kitchen help wanted, part-time on weekdays. Must be 56 or older to qualify. Apply at Lynn County Pioneers (Senior Citizens) Center, 561-5264. 16-1tc

AGE 56+ MALE HELP WANTED: maintenance/landscaper and assistant in delivering meals. Must be 56 or older to qualify. Contact Lynn County Pioneers (Senior Citizens) Center, 10-2 M-F, 561-5264. 16-1tc

HELP WANTED
Lynnwood is looking for a mature, dependable, hardworking & honest individual to work evening and night shifts (some weekends included). Experience preferred, but certification not necessary. Must be able to work independently and get along well with others. Must be able to pass a drug screen and criminal background check. Apply in person at Lynnwood Assisted Living Center in Tahoka. 16-2tc

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March of Dimes Walk for Babies Set April 26

The March of Dimes March for Babies will take place on Saturday, April 26, at 9 a.m. at Maxey Park on 30th & Oxford in Lubbock. Interested people can visit the website to join the team or make donations at www.marchforbabies.org/Averi or they can contact Mandi Lea-Tejeda Duncan for more information. Also, donations can be made at Jolly Time or Tejada Cafe in Tahoka by purchasing a March of Dimes stuffed animal for \$5.

Card of Thanks

There is no way that we can express our appreciation to the entire community. There have been so many kind things done for our family. The Lynn County EMS went above and beyond their duties. Kent, Jeanie, Vondell and Kent II not only did the job they had to do but did it with so much compassion.

Thank you to everyone who had a part in the funeral services, provided food, sent flowers, memorials, cards, e-mails, visits, words of sympathy and tales of memories they had of Daddy, and especially for the prayers that lifted us up during this difficult time. Bro Lynn and Bro Richard did such a great job of reminding us of wonderful memories and giving us comfort at the same time.

Daddy loved life, family, friends and loved farming. We are so grateful that he was able to do what he loved for so long and had such a wonderful life. God was so good to him and so good to us for allowing us to have him for so long. He will be greatly missed!!!!

We thank you again for everything, Joanne, Geanne, Gilda and the family of Gilbert Gandy 17-1tc

A big Thank You to Kent Stone and the FUMC Youth Group, and a special thank you to the leadership of Vernon Baker, pastor of FUMC Tahoka. Everyone worked very hard in moving Galen and Sandy Powell to their new home.

Thank You, Galen and Sandy Powell 17-1tc

We would like to express our sincere thanks and gratitude for all the ways you have been here for us — helping, giving, and caring with your prayers, calls, cards, visits, food, flowers and other comforting actions. Words cannot possibly express our appreciation ... your kindness will never be forgotten

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ONLINE PROGRAM COORDINATOR:
Tracy Clenton-Smith
LISD-TV (34th & Ave. Q)
806-766-1132
tclanton@lubbockisd.org

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Earth Day Activities ... Lynn County Soil & Water Conservation District Secretary Helen Saldana (standing far left) assisted the 4th grade class of Mrs. Lisa Hawthorne (standing at right) at Tahoka Elementary with planting bedding plants in one of the school's flowerbeds. Mrs. Hawthorne is the SWCD's Conservation Teacher of the Year for 2008. Prior to the planting Carlos Morales read an article on the History of Earth Day to all the 4th graders and their teachers. Mrs. Saldana then spoke to the class about the importance of water conservation, wind and water erosion, and discussed different reasons why Earth Day is celebrated. At right, one of the students is enjoying planting a flower. All plants were provided by the local SWCD.



Producers: Avoid Water Waste During Pre-plant Irrigation

As producers begin pre-plant irrigation for the 2008 crop year, the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 in Lubbock is receiving numerous reports of irrigation water escaping from fields within its 15-county service area. District officials remind agricultural producers that such groundwater waste is a violation of state law and High Plains Water District rules.

"Allowing irrigation water ('tailwater') to escape from a field is costly to producers. It wastes energy required to pump groundwater to the land surface, it wastes groundwater stored in the Ogallala and other aquifers in the High Plains region, and there is no benefit to crop yields," says High Plains Water District Manager Jim Conkwright.

Tailwater waste is defined by law as "groundwater pumped for irrigation that escapes off the property and into any river, creek, natural watercourse, depression, lake, reservoir, drain, sewer, highway, road, or ditch, or onto land other than the owner of the well." Therefore, if groundwater stays on the property where it was originally pumped, the landowner or operator is not in violation of the law or district rules.

Conkwright emphasizes that irrigation water sprayed onto county roads from the end gun of a center pivot system or side roll irrigation system is also considered to be groundwater waste. As a result, landowners and operators may be liable for any auto accidents resulting from irrigation water entering a county road or road ditch.

Improved irrigation application technologies and conservation methods, such as use of center pivots, furrow dikes, and subsurface drip irrigation systems, have helped reduce irrigation water waste. Although irrigation water waste is not as commonplace as it was more than 50 years ago, there are times when it still occurs.

District Field Technician Dan Seale says most of the recent

tailwater incidents he has investigated involve use of center pivots.

"For the most part, center pivots are a good tool to help improve irrigation application efficiencies. However, they must be managed properly. We encourage producers to keep close watch on their pivots to avoid any potential problem areas that would allow irrigation water to escape from their fields. Checking these on a regular basis can prevent water waste," says Seale.

For example, he has investigated instances where water from the end nozzles of Low Energy Spray Application (LESA) pivots has sprayed on the field and flowed off into the adjacent road ditch. Other instances have included irrigating corners of a field as well as groundwater flowing into the pivot wheel tracks and then off the field.

Most irrigation water waste is reported through telephone calls to the water district headquarters in Lubbock or via the district's web site at www.hpwd.com. In other instances, district field personnel sometimes discover water waste while performing daily work.

If water waste is reported, field personnel investigate the complaint, take photographs, and document the violation. The landowner or operator is then notified by letter and asked to correct the problem.

"The High Plains Water District has a 'neighbor helping neighbor' philosophy. We prefer to work with the landowner and/or operator to help them solve irrigation water waste problems. However, in cases of habitual violation, the district will seek legal action to stop groundwater waste," says Conkwright.

Information about the tailwater abatement program is available by contacting the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1, 2930 Avenue Q, Lubbock, TX 79411-2499, or by calling (806) 762-0181.

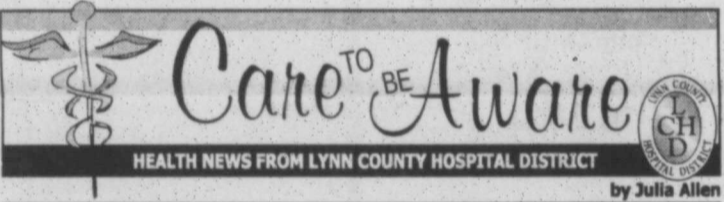
Domestic Problems Keep Police Busy

Tahoka Police were called in to referee a couple of domestic disturbances during the last week, with assault charges indicated in one of the incidents, where a family reported their teenage son had been threatened by an adult.

With 11 more persons jailed during the last week, total population at the Lynn County jail was 48 early this week, with 20 of these held for Lubbock County.

Three of those arrested were jailed for possession of a controlled substance, with one also charged with possession of marijuana, one charged with failure

to identify to a peace officer, and the third also charged with driving while intoxicated first offense. Also jailed were four persons for driving while license was suspended, with two of those also charged with failure to appear on the charges. Other inmates were charged with possession of marijuana, hold for immigration authorities plus no drivers license, grand jury indictment for DWI third offense or more, and application to revoke probation on conviction of tampering with government records and also on four counts of forgery.



National Laboratory Professionals Week

This week, April 20-26 is National Laboratory Professionals Week. I thought this would be a good time to update the communities on what has been happening in our Laboratory. Recently we have upgraded two of our diagnostic machines. The upgraded Dimension machine does our chemistry, thyroid and diabetic testing giving the results much faster. The upgraded Hematology machine also allows us to obtain results faster and therefore our patients receive their diagnosis faster, resulting in better care.

We also added personnel when hiring a new Lab manager in November 2007. Both our Technologists have Bachelors' of Science degrees and a combined 30 years of experience.

The mission of the Laboratory at Lynn County Hospital District is to provide clinical laboratory services to the residents of Lynn County and surrounding areas.

They seek to build and maintain the reputation of the highest quality and reliability for the services that are offered and to advance this specialty area of medicine through education, research, and publications.

The Laboratory Department at LCHD is available for testing 24 hrs a day, 7 days a week. The standard analysis of blood, urine, and other body fluids is available 24 hrs a day. The lab performs blood typing and cross matching, coagulation studies and arterial blood gas studies. One Technologist is available at all times for testing. In this way they seek to meet the clinical laboratory needs of the residents of Lynn County and surrounding areas.

As you can see, the Lab here at LCHD can meet many of your medical testing needs. Our Lab is fully accredited and best of all, close to home. Why drive to Lubbock and spend all the gas and frustration of the traffic? If you have an order from your doctor, whether from Lubbock or elsewhere, all you have to do is call and set up a time to come in - 806-998-4533, extension 408.

SPC Reese Center To Offer Certified Nurse Aide Training

South Plains College Reese Center seeks participants for its Certified Nurse Aide training. SPC will offer two sessions -

Session I - 4:30-8:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, April 28-May 21.

Session II - 4:30-8:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, May 27-June 19.

Financial Aide is available to those who qualify through a grant awarded to the college from WorkForce Solutions. Students may receive financial assistance for tuition, books, supplies, transportation costs and other resources.

For more information, call Rafael Aguilera, associate dean, SPC Workforce Development, at (806) 716-4906.

Legal Notice

BID NOTICE

New Home ISD will accept bids for the following:

Demolition and Removal of Gym

Specifications may be obtained from: New Home ISD Business Office, Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Bids will be accepted until 3:00 p.m. on May 9, 2008.

New Home ISD retains the right to refuse any or all bids.

Leland Zant
Superintendent
New Home ISD
New Home, Texas
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NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)

To the Registered Voters of the City of Wilson, Texas:

(A los votantes registrados del Ciudad de Wilson, Texas:)
Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 10, 2008, for voting in a general election to elect two council members.

(Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales citados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 10 de Mayo de 2008 para votar en la Eleccion General para elegir dos concilio miembros.)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES:
(DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES:)
Wilson City Hall, 1601 10th St., Wilson, Texas 79381.

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) Wilson City Hall between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. beginning on April 28, 2008 (entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 3:00 de las tarde empezando el 28 de Abril 2008) and ending on May 6, 2008. (y terminando el 6 de Mayo, 2008.)

Additional early voting will be at the same location as follows:

(La votacion en adelantada ademas se llevara a cabo en el mismo sitio de tal manera).
April 29, 2008 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
April 30, 2008 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a:)
Susann Follis, City Secretary, P.O. Box 22, Wilson, Texas 79381

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on May 2, 2008.

(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el 2 de Mayo, 2008.)

Issued this the 17th day of April 2008.

(Emitteda este día 17 de Abril, 2008.)
/s/ Victor Steinhauser, Mayor (Alcalde)
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CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS

IN THE INTEREST

OF

MASON COLBY WALKER, CHILD

CAUSE NO. 07-10-06500

IN THE 106th DISTRICT COURT

OF

LYNN COUNTY, TEXAS

TO UNKNOWN FATHER OF MASON COLBY WALKER, CHILD, RESPONDENT, Greeting

NOTICE TO RESPONDENT: "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of 20 days after the date you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you."

The petition of STEPHANIE GARCEZ and TOMMY GARCEZ, Petitioner was filed in the 106th District Court of Lynn County, Texas on the 4th day of march, 2008 against ANGELA RENEE ROSE and UNKNOWN FATHER, Respondents in the above entitled cause.

The suit request FIRST AMENDED PETITION IN SUIT AFFECTING THE PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP AND ORIGINAL PETITION TO TERMINATE PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP as is more fully shown by Amended Petition on file in this suit.

The date and place of birth of the child is the subject of the suit: MASON COLBY WALKER date of birth July 12, 2001, Lynn County.

The court has authority in this suit to render an order in the child's interest that will be binding on you, including the term of the Parent-child Relationship, the term of paternity, and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Tahoka, Texas, this the 14th day of April 2008.

Attorney for Plaintiff

Angie Trout

P.O. Box 65473

Lubbock, Tx 79464

Clerk of the Court:

Sandra Laws/District Clerk

P.O. Box 939

Tahoka, Tx 79373

By: Lonneta Hudgens, Deputy

Delivered This 21st day of April, 2008

Jerry D. Franklin, Sheriff of Lynn County

By Cheryl Estrada, Deputy

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NOTICE OF ESTRAY

Case No. 08-03-27-0036

Date: 04/09/08

1. Person reporting estray: Name: Frank McLelland
Address: RR5 Box 256, Tahoka, Tx 79373

2. Date estray reported to sheriff: 03/27/08

3. Location of estray when found: 1400 BLK of FM 1328

4. Location of estray while impounded: 1300 BLK of US 380

5. Description of estray: Kind of Animal: Bovine
Breed: Charolais
Color: White
Sex: Male
Age: 2 years old
Size: 1200 lbs.

Brand, Earmark, Identifying Characteristics:
Lazy S brand on left hip / Horns 3"

/s/ Jerry D. Franklin

Sheriff of Lynn County, Texas

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT) CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)

Dist/Div: Lubbock

Contract 0905-00-046 for MISCELLANEOUS CONSTRUCTION in LUBBOCK County, etc will be opened on May 08, 2008 at 1:00 pm at the State Office.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.
NPO: 26533

State Office

Constr./Maint. Division

200 E. Riverside Dr.

Austin, Texas 78704

Phone: 512-416-2540

Dist/Div Office(s)

Lubbock District

District Engineer

135 Slaton

Lubbock, Texas 79408-0771

Phone: 806-745-4411

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TXDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin. 16- 2tc



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