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O'Donnell Eagles Advance In Baseball Playoffs

The O'Donnell High School baseball team won their Class 1A Bi-District playoff game over Ira to advance to the second round of playoff action. They beat Ira 8-2 at Snyder's Moffett Field, under the direction of head coach James Dillard. They will play again at Snyder's Moffett Field in the next round, facing Forsan at 4:30 p.m. Friday.

Burglary Of Home Near Wilson Cleared

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A burglary at the home of Dennis Heintze north of Wilson on County Rd. I last Wednesday night or Thursday was cleared up over the weekend when officers in Lubbock County caught suspects in the act of burglarizing another home on FM 41. The suspects admitted the Lynn County burglary and turned over to officers a quantity of tools stolen from the Heintze home. The tools

were valued at \$2531. Sheriff's officers also are investigating a report from Billy Parmer, who lives northwest of Wilson, that his 2007 Chrysler 4-door car was damaged to the extent of \$2,281 when a male suspect jumped on top of the car at a party in New Home. In the report filed last Wednesday, Parmer said the damage to the roof and the interior of the car was

estimated by a repair-facility.

Storms Drop Moisture in Northern Lynn

Thunderstorms Monday and Tuesday dropped some much-needed moisture in the South Plains area, with the northern portions of Lynn County getting more than the southern half. Peato dime size hail was reported in the New Home area about 5:30 Tuesday evening, and unofficial estimates of anywhere from 2-3 inches of moisture accumulated from several rounds of thunderstorms both nights. The Wilson area also received heavy rains both nights, reportedly a couple of inches during the night Monday and more than an inch of rain falling Tuesday evening and again in the early morning hours Wednesday. Lightning was probably the culprit in starting a grass fire in northeastern Lynn County, with Tahoka Fire Dept. called out to respond to that fire Tuesday evening. A camper was reported overturned also in that area, with no injuries reported, due to high winds and heavy rains. Tahoka received 2 inches of rain during the night Monday, and another half inch the following night.

Only two persons were jailed in Lynn County in the last week, leaving the total number in jail as of Monday at 40, with 14 of those held for Lubbock County

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One person was arrested on a grand jury indictment for forgery and another was jailed for parole violation.

During the month of April. dispatchers processed 293 calls, including 141 for the county, 93 for Tahoka Police, 13 fire calls, 28 ambulance calls, and 18 for O'Donnell Police.



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Polls To Open Saturday For City/County/School Elections

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Polling locations will be open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. on Saturday. May 10 for several local elections, including city and school elections, and the Lynn County separation of offices issue. In Lynn County there will be one polling location in each city, with the Tahoka location at the Life Enrichment Center at 1717 Main Street, Wilson City Hall in Wilson, New Home City Hall in New Home, and at the O'Donnell High School Commons Area in O'Donnell.

The ballot for the two county propositions will be available at all four polling locations in the county. Otherwise, the city/school elections will be held at the above-listed polling locations in the towns they affect.

Following is an explanation of elections and list of candidates.

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. 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 polling location.).

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 polling location).

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.

Wilson ISD: Two trustee seats: Clyde Wilke (i), Danny Mendez (i), Josh Isham, Christi Clark, and Kim Steen.

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



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An Eagle six-run second inning rattled the Ira Bulldogs, starting with Tanner Hancock's twoout double. He was followed by big hits from Junior Castillo, Chris Nava, Justin Ramirez, Justin Forbes and Michael Miller.

Ira got two runs in the top of the third inning, which were answered by two runs by Michael Miller and Junior Castillo. Chris Nava had an RBI single.

"Junior Castillo pretty much pitched seven scoreless innings of playoff baseball for us tonight," said Coach Dillard of the Eagles pitcher.

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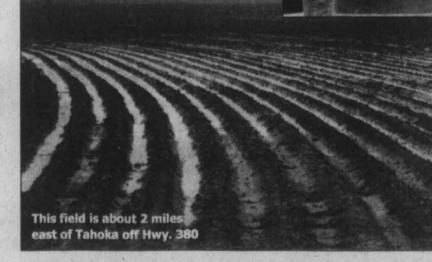
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The southern part of the county received some intermittent showers, with less than an inch of moisture estimated in the O'Donnell area for both nights.

Rain at last ...

Farmers and everbody else were happy to get some much-needed moisture Monday night, as a thunderstorm dumped nearly 2 inches of water in the Tahoka area. This rain gauge shows nearly 2 inches from a home in Tahoka, with an official 1.98" recorded by Haney Wells for the National Weather Service. Up until this point, only 0.71" of moisture had been recorded in Tahoka during the first four months of 2008. Another half inch was recorded Tuesday night, making a total of 3.26" to date.



Garza Named New TISD Head Football Coach

Jesse Garza has been named as new head football coach at Tahoka High School, Supt. Jimmy Parker said this week. He will succeed Jay Hellums, who has served as head football coach for the Bulldogs for the past two years. Supt. Parker said that Hellums informed school officials he would not be here next year, but he has not yet submitted an official resignation.

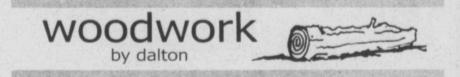
Garza has been an assistant coach at Tahoka ISD for one year, and also teaches high school math. His reassignment as head coach comes just as spring football training begins here, and the announcement was made to student athletes this week.

The Superintendent said that board action was not required in making the position reassignment on the coaching staff.

Tahoka ISD: Two trustee seats.

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

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. The only ballot at the New Home City Hall polling location will be the county propositions ballot.



I'VE HEARD OF people being in their "second childhood," and I'm not sure if that was meant as a compliment or criticism, but I believe I am getting there.

Here are some of the reasons I think so: I no longer am aware of everything going on around me. None of my clothing fits after the first time I wear it. I often feel like crying (and I would, if I thought it would help). I sleep like a baby (about two hours at a time, and wide awake in the middle of the night). Frequently when I eat I get food all over the front of my shirt. Some of my clothing appears to be more like a child's (even my breath comes in short pants). And sometimes I stumble around like a toddler trying to get his balance.

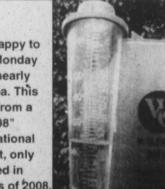
After writing the first paragraph above, I decided to stop and look up "second childhood" in a thesaurus, and I found out it was no compliment, since the definition is "mental infirmity as a consequence of old age, sometimes shown by foolish infatuations."

I kind of resent the implication that infatuations of older persons are any more foolish than those of young people. After all, we older persons should know more about the things that really count in our relationships with those of the opposite sex. Like how much money do they have, and can they see well enough to drive us to the doctor's office.

ATAMEETING in Tahoka last week a guy who was making a pitch for an organization which promotes new industry in West Texas was emphasizing how much more can be accomplished by teamwork than by individual efforts, and he put upon his slide screen the definition of the word "synergy." He defined it as "conditions such that the total effect is greater than the sum of the individual effects."

I had heard the word before, but I thought "synergy" meant having enough energy left to sin.





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SHEA DAWN WILKINSON and BRADY PRESTON ASKEW **Couple To Marry in August**

Mr. and Mrs. Kevin and Tammy Mitchell of New Home. Texas and Mr. and Mrs. Doug Wilkinson of Bridgeport, Texas are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter. Shea Dawn, to Brady Preston Askew. Brady is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ty and Sharla Askew.

The future bride is currently attending Amarillo College and is a graduate of New Home High School. Askew is currently attending West Texas A&M University and is a graduate of Tahoka High School.

The couple plans to marry on the eighth of August, 2008 at 8:00 in the evening at New Home Baptist Church.

Pleasant Grove Kitchen Closed This Weekend

Pleasant Grove Church in Tahoka will not be serving food this weekend, May 9-10, in order to allow the ladies there time off for Mother's Day weekend.

The kitchen normally serves carryout food every Saturday and Sunday.

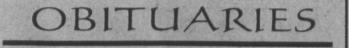
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STORK REPORT

Kyle Daniel Woodard Jody and Kathryn Woodard

of Brownfield announce the birth of their son, Kyle Daniel Woodard, born on Wednesday April 30, 2008. He weighed 8 lbs. and 10 oz. and was 21 inches long.

Grandparents are Jimmy and Judy Woodard of Tahoka, and Henry and Barbara McCulloch of Maxwell. Great-grandparents are Ida Yowell and Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Woodard, all of Brownfield.



JOSE M. GARCIA JR.

Funeral services for Lose

Maria Garcia Jr., 55, of Lubbock,

were held at 10 a.m. Monday, May

5, at Our Lady of Grace Catholic

Ernesto Lopez officiating. Rosary

was on-Saturday, May 3, and Sun-

day, May 4. Burial was at Peaceful

2008. He was born on Aug. 3,

San Juana Garcia, and step-father,

Ismael Arroyos, of Lubbock; two

brothers, Raul Garcia of Lubbock.

and Oscar Garcia of Tahoka; and

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Wanda Louise Dearman

She was born in Tahoka on.

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Johnson, 76, died on Sunday April.

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He died on Thursday, May 1,

Survivors include his mother.

Gardens Cemetery in Lubbock:

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Garcia Jr.

Cynthia L. Crawford

Graveside service for Cynthia L. Crawford, 93, of Muleshoe, is scheduled for 11 a.m. Saturday, May 10, at Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery, with Dr. Stacy Conner officiating.

Mrs. Crawford died Monday, April 28, 2008, at Muleshoe Area Medical Center in Muleshoe. She was born Oct. 19, 1914, in Johnson County, to Willie and Beulah (Liles) Waldrip. She married James Leonard Crawford in Tahoka Jan. 20, 1946, She was a 1932 graduate of T-Bar High School. She was a member of Bethel Baptist Church in Tahoka. She served in the Women's Army Corps (WAC) during World War II.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers, two sisters, and her husband.

Survivors include a son, Jim and wife Jan Crawford of Muleshoe; a sister, Mina Odom of Edeouch: four grandchildren: and six great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Park View Nursing Home, 1100 W. Ave J., Muleshoe, TX 79347.



L. C. Burleson

Services for L. C. Burleson, 77, of Tahoka, were held Monday, May 5, at 2 p.m. at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in Tahoka, Burial followed at Nevels Cemetery in Tahoka.

He died Thursday, May 1, 2008. He was born Aug. 8, 1930 in Calvert, Texas, to Mr. and Mrs. Jive Burleson. He grew up in Marlin, Texas, and moved to Tahoka at the age of sixteen. He worked various jobs until he formed a business partnership and operated a gas station and mechanic shop. His entrepreneurial ventures also included * a small grocery store, cafe, and car dealership. He united with Pleasant Grove Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. L. E. Brown, Years later, he was bap-



MR. AND MRS. CHRISTOPHER JOHN RANGEL (nee HALEY JO WHITEHEAD)

Couple Exchange Vows In Florida Haley Jo Whitehead and Christopher John Rangel were

married March 1, 2008 at The Duncan House Lakefront Bed and Breakfast in Tavares, Fl.

The bride is the daughter of Mitzie Whitehead of Eustis, FL The groom is the son of R.C. (Rito) Rangel of Leesburg, Fl, and Dolores (Chapa) Hall of Howey-in-the-Hills, Fl. Christopher is the grandson of John and Sara Chapa of Tahoka, and the late Sotero Rangel Sr, and Rosa Rangel.

Special guests in attendance from West Texas were Sara Chapa and granddaughter, Alicia Guzman, Sotero Jr. (Shorty), Christine and Steve Rangel.

The couple honeymooned in historic Savannah, Ga. and will reside in Eustis, Fl.

tized by Rev. H. L. Brawley on April 9, 1989. Survivors include his wife, Henriettà: two children, Gloria Council.

HEALTH NEWS FROM LYNN COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRIC by Julia Allen

5 steps to Better Bone Health: Series Continued

We are looking at the 5 steps to better bone health. Calcium, exercise, no smoking, no excess drinking, bone density tests are all necessary, according to Kathryn Diemer.

the spine gives more support to the spine. The other thing about yoga. Pilates, and tai chi - they improve balance, which prevents falls.

The LCHD Fitness Center has a wonderful weight system and the staff there will help you develop an MD, professor of medicine and os- individual strength program. They

Moore and Michael Burleson: 11 grandchildren; 37 great-grandchildren; and one brother, A. J.

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it has been 8 years since you left our side to be with the Lord. Though unable to have you here with us, in our hearts you shall forever reside.

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If my love could have saved you, you never would have died.

The things I feel most deeply. are the hardest things to say.

My dearest Mother, T've loved you in a very special way. If I could have one lifetime wish,

One dream that could come -true;

I'd pray to God with all my heart for yesterday and you.

May 14th is a very special day it's Mom's 8th Birthday in heaven. We love you "Mom" Thanks to all of Mrs. Cuca Perez' family, friends and neighbors who have been there for us.

> - Mrs. Refugia Perez family Anna Perez Angie & Pete Gutierrez Rosalinda & Alex Garcia and all your Grandkids and Great-Grandkids

coporosis specialist at Washington University School of Medicine in-St. Louis.

Step one was watching your calcium and vitamin D.

Bone Health Step 2: Weight-**Bearing Exercise**

"The body needs 'encouragement' to rebuild bone," Diemer adds. "The skeleton needs to be under stress so it will get stronger. That's why exercise is important for better bone health.

Here are some types of exercises your doctor may suggest.

· Make walking a daily ritual. Walking, jogging, and light aerobies make your bones and muscles work against gravity --- which puts stress on the skeleton, which strengthens bones. Bicycling is also good for bones; it offers some resistance, which improves muscle mass and strengthens bones.

· Do 30 minutes of weightbearing exercise five days a week if you can, but at least three times a week at the minimum.

· Core strengthening is critical, too. Abdominal exercisés. lower back exercises, yoga, Pilates, and tai chi help strengthen the spine. Most common fractures are in the spine, and strengthening muscles to

also have a room and TV with DVD & VCR for you to work on your Pilates, yoga or any other program you may have. Just call Gina at 561-1340 for more information.

If you have osteoporosis tell your instructor. You need close supervision to make sure you don't harm yourself. Be sure to talk with your doctor before you begin any exercise regimen.

Bone Health Step 3: Don't Smoke & Moderate Alcohol

Nicotine is toxic to bone states Dr. Diemer. "The first thing I tell patients who smoke is, if you don't stop smoking there's very little we can do for your bones. You counteract all medications." So, get help in stopping smoking.

Alcohol in moderation is fine but just one or two drinks a week if you must. Alcohol in excess causes about 2% bone loss in a year's time Nicotine also causes 2% bone loss. If you're having alcohol and nicotine both in excess, the combined bone loss.

We will finish up this series next week. Until then have a glass of milk on me.

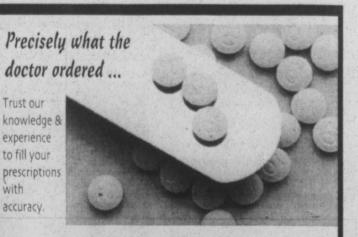
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We know fashion! ... These Lynn County 4-H members, from left, Nicole Taylor, Caley Bingham, Tori Ford, Haylee Brewer, Coy Mercer, and Lea Gustafson, participated in the District 4-H Fashion Show at Texas Tech in April placing in several events. (See story)

Lynn County 4-H Members Win **At District 4-H Fashion Show**

from 20 counties participated in cycled category. the 2008 South Plains District 4-H Fashion Show held at the College of Human Sciences at Texas Tech University in Lubbock on Thursday, April 10.

Representing Lynn County were Tori Ford, daughter of Chad and Rochelle Ford of Tahoka, who placed 2nd in the Junior Division - Buying Casual category; Coy Mercer, daughter of Joe and Kim Mercer of Tahoka, who placed 1st in the Junior Division - Buying Dressy category; Lea Gustafson, daughter of Randy and Tori Gustafson of New Home, who participated in the Junior Division - Embellished/Recycled category; Haylee Brewer, daughter of Heath and Casey Brewer of Tahoka, who placed 3rd in the Intermediate Division - Construction Casual category; Nicole Taylor, daughter of Toby and Dana Taylor of Tahoka, who participated in the Intermediate Division - Buying Dressy cat-

egory; and Caley Bingham, daughter of Jim and Christy Bingham of Tahoka, who par-

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This year's theme at the show was "Celebrating 100 Years of 4-H" to commemorate the 100 year anniversary of 4-H in Texas. Youth participants who enter the 4-H Fashion Show competition and modeling events have completed a 4-H clothing project, which is the equivalent of a 3-hour study of clothing and textiles, personal care and consumer buying.

The purpose of the District 4-H Fashion Show is to showcase skills and knowledge learned from the 4-H clothing project. During the interview and judging event, a panel of judges presents questions to each 4-H member about his or her garment that he or she constructed or purchased. After the individual interviews, the contestants participate in a fashion show and awards ceremony.

"If you are interested in your child participating in 4-H and/or the 4-H clothing project, please contact the Texas AgriLife Extension Service in Lynn County for more information, at 561ticipated in the Intermediate 4562," said a local sponsor.

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May 12-16

Senior Citizens

MENU

Monday: Polish Sausage, egg noodles, peas and carrots, homemade biscuits, fruit of the day Tuesday: Smothered steak, brown gravy, steamed rice, asparagus, bread, jello

Wednesday: Green chili chicken, pinto beans, salad, crackers, orange quarters

Thursday: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, three bean salad, rolls, chocolate cake

Friday: Baked ham, steamed cabbage, pea salad, cornbread, pears

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New Home Minor League Champs... The New Home Minor League Little Dribblers are the 1st Place Champions after defeating Meadow Purple 38-31. They competed in the Minor League Tournament held at Wellman on April 24-26. Seeded first, they received a first round bye and then defeated Ropes White team 30-3 Friday evening. On Saturday they defeated Meadow Purple 36-12 and played them once again for the Championship. The team finished 9-2 for the season. Pictured from left bottom; Maegan Jameson, Kayla Gonzalez, Emilee Curtis, Camryn Nieman and Hannah Taylor. Back row from left; Coach Michael Rodriguez, Sarah Gonzales, Isabel Silva, Jasmine Placencia, Chelsi Rodriguez, Lea Gustafson, Ashton Link and Coach Rita Placencia.



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Lynn County Little League **Hit-A-Thon Set Here May 17**

The Lynn County Little League Hit-A-Thon will be held players that earn the most money Saturday, May 17 at the Tahoka overall will receive prizes. Little League Field. This is the Prizes will include a Rawlings second annual opportunity to CoolFlo Batting Helmet. Under provide funding for equipment Armour Cage 2 Bat Bag and and field maintenance for the Nokona Glove Model AMG Little League of Lynn County 1200. and it is Tahoka and O'Donnell's only fund-raising event.

p.m. and then the Hit-A-Thon maximum number of pitches/ will begin at 6:00 p.m. with Tee Ball, Minors and Majors.

Every player will get one pitch from the pitching machine or one swing at the tee (Tee Ball) for every \$2 in donations received (example \$20 = 10swings/pitches). This money must be turned in at the Hit-A-Thon registration beginning at* 5:00 pm on Saturday, May 17.

Order Food From "Provider's Pantry"

'The Provider's Pantry" food ministry, under the direction of Tahoka Trinity Church. will be accepting monthly food orders at Tahoka Trinity Church on Friday, May 16 from 3:00-6:00 p.m. Orders using Lone Star cards will also be taken at this time. This will be the last date to pay and place orders for the month and no orders will be taken after 6:00 p.m.

Distribution of food boxes will be Saturday, May 31, from 10:00-11:00 a.m. at the Tahoka Trinity Church, 1925 Lockwood. For more information, contact Polly Smullen at 561-4912 or Charlene Williams at 561-4565.

Tahoka

CHOOL MENU

May 12-16

Breakfast

Tuesday: Yogurt Stick, graham

Wednesday: Pancake on a stick

Thursday: Sausage Biscuit

Monday: French Toast Sticks

cracker

Friday: Donuts

The top three little league

Checks are to be made payable to Tahoka Little League. Registration will start at 5:00 Due to time constraints, the swings will be 10. If time allows, adults may participate at the cost of \$2 per pitch from the pitching machine.

> Tee ball players will hit baseballs off a batting tee as far as possible for prizes. Minors and Majors will be pitched to by the pitching machine to compete for prizes within their divisions for the longest hitter. Measurements for Minors will be taken at the point at which the ball stops moving. Measurements for Majors will be taken at the point at which the ball hits the ground.

Hit-A-Thon Prizes: Majors: 32-Inch Combat bat -100% Composite:

Minors: 29-Inch Louisville Slugger - TPX;

Tee Ball: 28-Inch Louisville Slugger - TPX.

Registration will start \$5:00 pm. All players need to be registered and have money turned in no later than 6:00 pm. Tee Ball players will hit first, then Minors and Majors.

Bring the family to this event, as Lynn County Little League will be offering hamburgers, chips and a drink for \$5.00. All proceeds will benefit Lynn County Little League.



Win these bats! ... The Tahoka Tigers T-Ball team holds the bat prizes that will be awarded at the Lynn County Little League Hit-A-Thon on Saturday, May 17. The bats will be awarded in each division for the longest hit, with the T-Ball bat and Minor bat valued at \$100 each, and the Major bat valued at \$200. The Hit-A-Thon registration starts at 5 p.m., with the competition starting at 6 p.m. Families are invited to attend, and there will be hamburgers served at the concession stand. All proceeds benefit Lynn County Little League.



Champions!! ... The New Home Major Girls Little Dribblers team won the tournament championship held this past weekend in New Home. The team finished the season in first place with a perfect 11-0 record. Team members include (bottom row from left): Merritt Mitchell, Joarit Mireles, Kaylan Lehman, McKenzie English, Brianna Laseman; Back row: Jesse Terry, Alexsis Torres, Lindsey Burenheide, Daniela Cruz, Coach Tammy Mitchell, Abri Escobedo and Paige Ford.

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New Program To Remove, Control **Feral Hogs**

The Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) recently awarded Texas AgriLife Extension Service \$1 million for the agency's new Texas Feral Hog Control Program: Moving Towards A Long-Term Abatement Strategy.

Texas is home to more than 2 million feral hogs, the largest feral hog population in the U.S., and their numbers continue to increase due to high reproductive potential and the lack of predators.

Feral hogs wreak havoc on property, livestock, crops and pastures across the state and frustrate landowners because of their destructive nature. In fact the Extension Service estimates the statewide annual economic damage caused by feral hogs is close to \$52 million.

A \$500,000 pilot program was administered by Texas AgriLife Extension Service and Texas Tech University through a TDA grant in 2006-2007 and did provide technical assistance to landowners at three sites, and promote educational events for other landowners statewide. The pilot project succeeded in removing more than 3,000 feral hogs, saving landowners/agricultural producers an estimated nearly \$3 million in losses.

200 Cast Ballots In Early Voting

Nearly 200 county residents cast ballots at the Lynn County Clerk's Office during the early voting period, April 28-May 6. Lynn County Clerk Susan Tipton reported Tuesday afternoon.

At 3 o'clock, 196 ballots had been cast, with two hours remaining until early voting closed.

Polls will be open at four locations in the county from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. on Saturday, May 10 for voting in city and school elections, and the county propositions ballot. See story on page one for more specific informa-

Advertising Pays! ... remember to get your ad in by noon on Tuesdays at The Lynn County

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May Is Motorcycle Safety Month providing at least \$10,000 in motorcycle training, call 512-424-medical benefits for motorcycle- 2021 or toll-free at 1-800-292-May is Motorcycle Safety and (Call 1-800-292-5787 for infor-Awareness Month in Texas, and mation.) · Wear protective equipment. DPS urges all motorcyclists and including a helmet, whenever the traveling public to practice safe riding

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driving habits.

The 852,781 licensed motorcyclists in the state can improve their own safety by following this advice from DPS:

· Attend a professionally taught motorcycle safety course.

Parents, Grandparents, Aunts & Uncles ...

Get your congratulations ad in by 5:30 p.m. Thursday, May 15 for the graduation issue!

If you would like to congratulate your high school senior in The Lynn County News' graduation issue on May 28, send \$6.50 (for a small size ad) or \$13 (for an ad with a photo), the name of the student, high school, and congratulators names to Lynn County News, Box 1170, Tahoka, Tx 79373 or come by the News Office at 1617 Main St.



· Ride defensively.

· Avoid risk-taking behavior. such as speeding, weaving in between traffic and riding while intoxicated.

Nationally, almost half of all motorcycle fatalities involve alcohol.

Drivers in vehicles other than motorcycles should realize that motorcycles are sometimes difficult to see, so keep an eye out for them. Don't cut them off, and give them extra space.

Record numbers of Texans are taking advantage of the basic and advanced motorcycle operator training offered by the DPS Motorcycle Safety Unit. Last year, 33,697 Texans took either the basic or advanced course, setting an all-time record number for the thirteenth straight year.

The basic course may be used to waive the licensing road test. and both of the courses may

qualify for ticket dismissal and insurance discounts. Motorcycle riders can locate the course nearest to them by visiting the DPS Web site www.txdps.state.tx.us/msb/ and can take advantage of 81 permanent locations and nine mobile sites across the state.

"We continue to notice an increase in crashes involving returning riders, meaning those who have ridden before, took some time off from riding and are getting back into it." said John G. Young, coordinator of the DPS Motorcycle Safety Unit. "We want to encourage them to enroll in one of our courses to brush up on their skills."

In 2006 (latest statistics available), 346 people in Texas died as a result of motorcycle crashes-63 percent of those were not wearing a helmet. Texas law states that in order to be exempt from wearing a helmet, a person must be at least 21 years of age. In addition, they must successfully complete a motorcycle safety course or be covered by a health insurance plan

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KYNDRA SELMON

Selmon To Graduate TTU This Saturday

Kyndra Michelle Selmon will receive a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology/Criminology with a minor in English, Magna Cum Laude, at Texas Tech University Commencement Ceremonies to be held on May 10, 2008 in the United Spirit Arena. She is the daughter of Wendi Curry of Tahoka and the granddaughter of Wanda Curry of Buchanan

Dam. Selmon's activities at Texas Tech included. The Goin' Band

from Raiderland for one year, where she had the opportunity to travel and perform with the band at the Pacific Life Holiday Bowl in California: the Mentor Tech Student Organization for four years, where she served as a PAC leader for two years, and historian for one year; Phi Alpha Delta Pre-Law Fraternity for two years; Alpha Lambda Delta and Phi Eta Sigma National Honors Societies, Phi Kappa Phi Honors Society for juniors and seniors in the top 10 percent of their class, and she was also one of 101 students named to the 2007 Who's

Tech University: She is a 2004 graduate of Tahoka High School and is cur-

rently employed at Chappell, Lanchart and Stangl, P.C., a criminal law firm in Lubbock. Following graduation, Selmon plans to attend Law school to pursue a juris doctorate degree in law

Band Booster **Golf Tourney** Set Saturday

The Tahoka High School Band Booster 2008 Golf Tournament will be held this Saturday, May 10, at the T-Bar Country Club.

The four person scramble will have a 9:00 a.m. shotgun start. Cost will be \$160 per team. Mulligans will be 2 for \$10, First Place team will receive \$400, and other contests include a driver for the Closest to the Pin. a putter for the Longest Drive, and a Putting Contest-\$5 to win \$50, plus door prizes.

Free sausage wraps and hamburgers will be provided to teams in the tournament. All volunteers who will be helping throughout the tournament need to arrive at the country club between 8-8:30 and those that signed up for desserts need to bring them on Saturday morning if possible.

All proceeds will benefit the award-winning Tahoka 3-D Band for band camps and for scholarships.

If anyone is interested in donating door prizes for this tournament, contact Jerry Webster at 561-4211

For more information or to register a team, contact Cherry at 998-5305

Trevor White Receives Scholarship

Ford and FFA recently announced that more than 600 FFA students from around the country will receive "Built Ford Tough" scholarships - 239 of those students are in Texas. Trevor White of New Home FFA will receive a \$1,250 schol-Who Among Students at Texas arship sponsored by the Delta and Pine Land Company.

> He is a senior at New Home High School and the son of Michael and Carol White of New Home.

Craddick Appoints Heflin To Committee On **Property Tax Relief and Appraisal Reform**

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New traffic lights... New traffic lights were installed in Tahoka recently at the intersection of Lockwood (U.S. Hwy. 380) and Main. City officials and local TxDOT representatives could not offer any information on the lights, except to say that the state had contracted to replace the lights. The new lights are erected on poles over the street, replacing the lights that hung from lines crossing over the intersection (although the old lights are still working until the new ones are operational). (LCN PHOTO)

THS Class Of 58 Reunion Planned

The Tahoka High School Class of 1958 is planning a 50th class reunion to be held September

An attempt is being made to reach each class member. If you were in the Class of 58, and have NOT been contacted please contact Ed Redwine, 9 Yellowrose Lane, Augusta, KS 67010. Pho: 316-775-5700, or email him at: k5erj@yahoo.com.

A class book is being planned and we want to make sure everyone in the Class of 58 is included.

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Speaker Tom Craddick (R- mendations for legislation. Rep. Heflin stated, "I am Midland), recently appointed Rep.

Randy's Roundup by U.S. Congressman Randy Neugebauer

May 5, 2008 Farm Bill Update

I am pleased to report to you most important issues to finalize is final product.

few remaining issues outstanding. producers when making risk management decisions. It would also Supporting the Ensuring Contin-

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Book Sale Was Great Success Dear Editor

Once again, the generosity of the folks in our community astounds me. We just finished up our Spring Book Sale and I'm proud to say we earned over \$500! That's the most we've raised in a book sale during my tenure

That feat wouldn't have been possible without the help of our supporters! Thanks so much to the people who came and bought books and to the people who donated books to the sale so that we could raise much needed funds. I assure you, the money will be put to good use.

> Thanks Again, Claudia Guin Library Director City-County Library

THS Annual Sports Awards Night Set

The annual Tahoka High School Sports Awards Night will be held on Friday. May 16 at 7 p.m. at the Tahoka Housing Authority Center. Tickets are being sold for \$8. Contact Drew Stone, Cathy Ross, Bianca Baker or PJ's to purchase a ticket. Tickets will also be sold on the night of the event

The banquet is being catered by PJ's, serving a variety of enchiladas and all the traditional

ing Continued Access to Student Loans Act of 2008, by a bipartisan vote of 388 to 21. I voted in favor of this legislation. It is a bipartisan bill designed to protect students and families by ensuring that the disruptions in the financial markets do not prevent students from pursuing their. higher education goals: This bill has passed both the House and Senate and has been sent to the President's desk and is awaiting his signature.

The Ensuring Continued Ac cess to Student Loans Act of 2008 contains reforms developed on a bipartisan basis to respond to student oan market instability. forms include efforts to inject liquidity and restore investor confidence in the marketplace. It creates new flexibility for parents, provided through an optional grace period. which permits them to defer PLUS loan payments until after their children graduate. It also ensures that parents struggling with the difficulties in the mortgage market are not automatically denied the chance to help pay for their children's education through PLUS loans. The purpose of this bill is to. prevent a student loan crisis before it occurs. H.R. 5715 is a pro-taxpayer solution that protects students and families without increasing federal spending. H.R. 5715 is a first step. but it is certainly not the only

step.

that there has been significant the commodity programs. Optimisprogress in the 2008 Farm Bill, The tically, if the few outstanding issues trimmings. Conference Committee met until are agreed to, we could see the 2008. 1:30 am this past Thursday night Farm Bill go to the House and Senand closed out many outstanding are for a vote within the next two provisions, getting us closer to a weeks Completion of the Farm Bill is All elements of the new Farm not only important to the 19th Con-Bill were approved, leaving only a gressional District, but to the entire

nation. We cannot afford to move During this last meeting, 1 offered forward without a sound farm policy my supplemental crop insurance for our producers. Without it, we program as an amendment that face the risk of becoming dependent. would have replaced the permanent on other nations for food and fiber as disaster provision. This amendment we already are for energy. Now is would have saved money that could the time to roll up our sleeves and have been reinvested into crop in- finally take this long overdue legissurance, creating more options for lation across the finish line.

Joe Heflin (D-Crosbyton) to the grateful for the opportunity to have eliminated proposed reduc- ned Access to Student Loans Act of





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Road of Life Leadership Camp

The Road of Life Leadership Camp will be held for students in grades Pre-K through 8th grade, at the New Home Schools on Thursday, May 15, from 8:00 to 3:10 and all parents and visitors are welcome to attend. The camp will be presented by the members of smaCd.

Students will attend an open. issue, assembly and then participate in six different break-out sessions throughout the day. Sessions that will be presented are: Strangers Can Mean Danger, Spit Tobacco Abuse, Proper Nutrition for a Growing Body, The Consequences of Marijuana Use, The Life Long Problems of Smoking, and How To Stand Up to Bullying. Each student in Pre-K through 8th Grade is asked to bring a new "summer" toy for the Children's Home of Lubbock. All toys will be colfected at the beginning of camp. The class that brings the most new toys to the Leadership Camp, will be served snow cones at the school playday.

A small grant was received from the Department of State Health Services to help with the expenses of the Leadership Camp.

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SCHOOL MENU

Select Committee on Property Tax Relief and Appraisal Reform. The committee will oversee all matters related to tax relief and reforming

the property appraisal system."

"Rep. Heflin's appointment ensures that West Texas taxpayers have strong representation on this committee," Speaker Craddick said. "He is a well-respected lawmaker who will work hard with the other committee members as they come up with a solution to this

The committee will review the sections of the Texas Constitution and the tax code that limit or authorize limiting the appraised value or increases in the appraised value of property for tax purposes. It may request assistance from any executive branch agency, and it will issue a report to the House of Representatives before the 81st Legislative Session, which may include draft legislation or recom-

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work on this select committee. It is essential that the citizens of our rural area have a voice in this process. Any reforms to our current system must be both responsible and realistic.

Rep. Heflin is the state representative for House District 85. He is a member of the House Agriculture & Livestock Committee and the House County Affairs Committee. His district includes: Borden, Crosby, Fisher, Floyd, Garza, Glasscock, Hale, Howard, Irion, Jones, Kent, Lynn, Reagan, Sterling, Stonewall, and Terry Counties.

He can be reached at the Capitol at P. O. Box 2910, Austin, TX 78768-2910 (Tel. 512-463-0604). at his District 85 office, P. O. Box 585, Crosbyton, TX (Tel. 806-675-1583), or by telephone in Big Spring at 432-213-2897.

tions in direct payments to producers. Unfortunately, this amendment did not pass.

2008, H.R. 5715 Last week, the House successfully passed H.R. 5715, the Ensur-

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May 12-16 Breakfast Monday: Cinnamon Roll Tuesday: Rice Krispie Bars Wednesday: French Toast Sticks Thursday: Biscuit/ sausage Friday: NO SCHOOL Lunch Monday: Chicken Fried Steak

sandwich, French fries, pickle slices, mixed fruit cup Tuesday: Popcorn chicken, mac & cheese, green beans, baby carrots, peach cup

Wednesday: Pizza, corn, pudding Thursday: Hot dog, pickle spears, baby carrots, apple, orange wedges, frozen peach pop Friday: NO SCHOOL



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