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## Mayoral candidate forum set tonight

Tahoka citizens are invited to attend a mayoral candidate forum tonight (Thursday) at 7 p.m. at the Life Enrichment Center, located at 1717 Main Street in Tahoka. All four candidates who are seeking election as mayor of Tahoka have been invited to participate in the forum, including incumbent Mike Mensch, John Baker, Rusty Cook and Carlos Moralez.

Each candidate will have an opportunity to respond to a prepared set of questions.

The event is open to the public.

## Tornado sirens to be tested Friday

The City of Tahoka will sound the tornado sirens at 10:00 a.m. Friday to test the system, if the skies are clear that day. The tornado siren is a continuous wavering up-and-down tone. If there is bad weather at 10:00 a.m. Friday, the test will not be conducted, so as not to alarm residents.

## Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Apr. 15	80	48	
Apr. 16	76	55	0.55"
Apr. 17	68	43	
Apr. 18	73	41	
Apr. 19	69	42	
Apr. 20	81	45	
Apr. 21	86	47	

Total Precipitation Jan:	0.03"
Total Precipitation Feb:	0.64"
Total Precipitation Mar:	0.35"
Total Precipitation Apr:	0.86"
Total Precipitation To Date:	1.88"

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## Early voting starts Monday for school, city, hospital elections

Early voting begins Monday, April 27 and continues through May 5 for several school, city and hospital elections in Lynn County. City and school boards at Tahoka and O'Donnell, Wilson ISD, and Lynn County Hospital District all have contested races for voters to consider in elections on May 9. Both New Home and Wilson city municipalities are cancelling their elections due to uncontested races.

Early voting for the City of Tahoka, Tahoka ISD, and Lynn County Hospital District will be conducted at the Lynn County Courthouse basement courtroom during regular weekday hours (8 a.m.-5 p.m.) except that there will be two 12-hour days (required for city elections) when they will be open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. for early voting, on April 28 and May 5.

The mayoral race has drawn four candidates for the City of Tahoka, and two council seats have contested races as well. Incumbent Mayor Mike Mensch is joined by challengers John Baker, Rusty Cook and Carlos

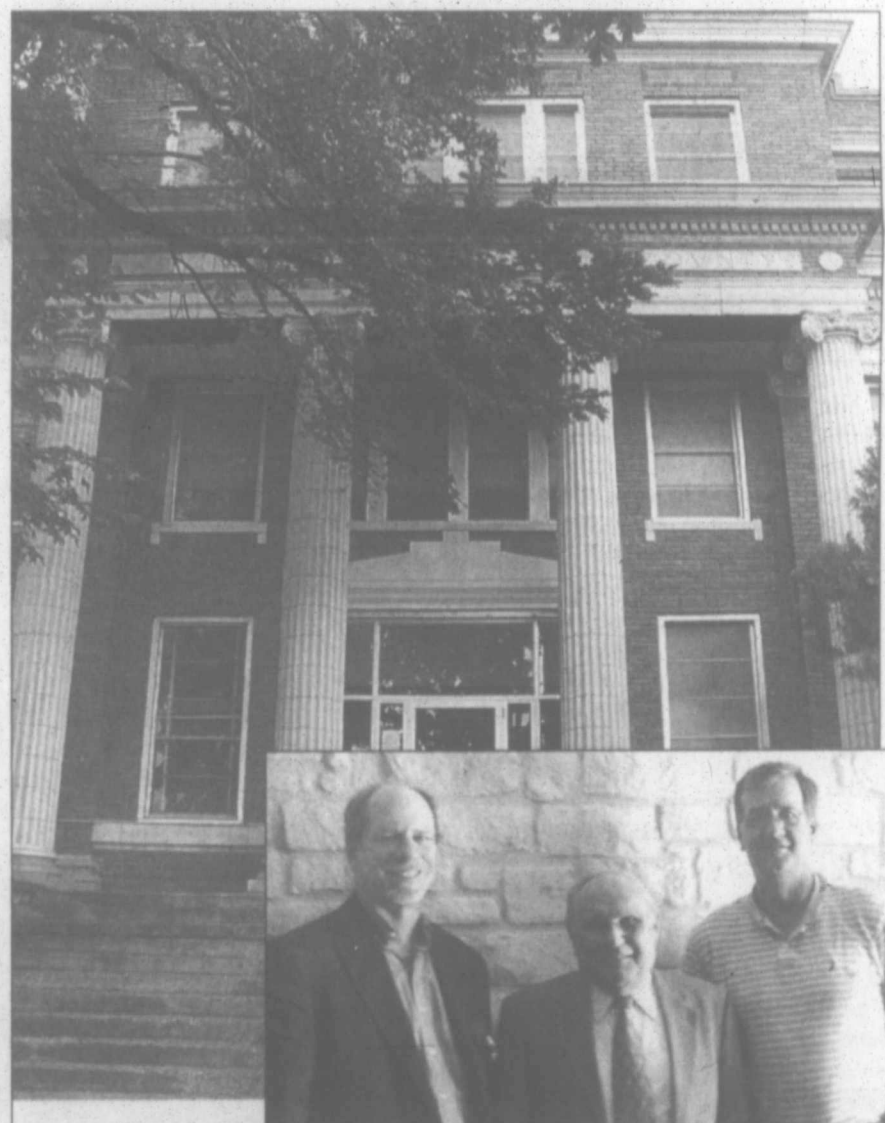
Moralez for the at-large position that leads the city council. There are three candidates for the District 1 council seat, including incumbent Rudy Fuentes and candidates Johnny Rosas and Roger Locke Jr. The District 3 seat has incumbent Amy Preston and challenger Gail Quisenberry on the ballot.

Three candidates have filed for two at-large seats on the Tahoka Independent School District Board of Trustees. Incumbent John Hawthorne and candidates Leighton Knox Jr. and Cathy Box are vying for the two positions.

Four candidates, including two incumbents, are seeking three positions on the Lynn County Hospital District Board of Directors. Incumbents Jerry Ford and Jannis Horwood have filed, as well as candidates Victoria Baker and Nancy Guilliams. Directors terms are for three years.

In O'Donnell, there are four candidates for two positions with

(See Early Voting, pg. 8)



**Courthouse project still viable ...** The Lynn County Courthouse is now at the top of the list for grant funding, according to information from John Baker (right) and County Judge H.G. Franklin (center) who attended a meeting of the Texas Historical Commission Courthouse Preservation Program in Austin. They are pictured here with Lyman Labry of the Texas Historical Commission.

## Courthouse restoration project:

## Lynn County at "top of list" for grant funding, says THC

by JUANELL JONES

Lynn County is not only one step closer, but is at the "top of the list" for grant funding for the Lynn County Courthouse restoration/renovation project, county officials learned last week. Lynn County Judge H.G. Franklin and John Baker, grant writer for the \$4.9 million courthouse project, attended the quarterly meeting of the Texas Historical Commission Courthouse Preservation Program in Austin last Tuesday, and were pleased with the encouraging news.

"We were told that we are on the top of the list," said Baker. "In round five (of THC courthouse preservation program funding), Lynn and San Saba counties missed out on planning grant funding. The only counties ahead of us are those who have already

gotten planning grants and now have construction documents ready for bid. During round five, THC held some funds in reserve for contingencies. We are at the end of round five and those funds have not been spent. In fact the state has recovered additional unused funds, and it is possible that these funds will be awarded," he told *The News*.

Both Baker and Judge Franklin addressed members of the courthouse restoration subcommittee during their quarterly meeting, reiterating the need for the project and telling the committee that Lynn County is ready to move ahead on the project.

"I told them that Lynn County citizens needed something positive, and the chairman of the committee told us, 'Tell them you are at the top of the list'"

(See Courthouse, pg. 8)



**State qualifier ...** New Home High School senior Nichole Taylor will compete in the State Golf Tournament May 11-12 in Austin, after placing 4th in the regional tournament this week. Nicole was District Champion, and she shot an 88-89 at regionals to qualify for state. She is the daughter of Randy and Bridget Taylor of Tahoka.

## Local Relay for Life starts Friday night

See Relay For Life Schedule on page 5

The Lynn County Relay for Life gets underway at 7 o'clock this Friday, April 24, at the Tahoka High School football field. The 12-hour American Cancer Society event will continue throughout the night and close at 7 a.m. Saturday.

Sponsored once again by Tahoka High School, this year's Relay has an 80's theme to help celebrate 25 years of hope. Dressing up in an 80's theme is greatly encouraged, and there will be entertainment for all ages at the Relay. Anyone under the age of 18 and on a team must have a team chaperone with them. Teams may begin setting up on the football field at 5 p.m.

All area residents who are cancer survivors or caregivers for

those fighting cancer are invited to participate in the Survivor Walk at 7 p.m. Registration for the survivor walk begins at 6 p.m. The first relay lap for all participants is at 7:15 p.m. A more complete schedule is printed on page 5 in this edition.

At the Relay the following teams will be having fund raisers: High School Teachers - Baked Goods Silent Auction; Freshman Team - Concession Stand; Rockin' Record Setters - Gatorade, Energy Drinks, Pickles and Popcorn; N3rdz - Video Games; Student Council - Glow sticks; Veronica Lopez - Space Walk; Massage table; and Face Painting.

For more information contact Sarah Calvillo at (806) 777-1160.

woodwork  
by dalton



RECENTLY I read in a supplement to a daily newspaper that there is something in red wine that can keep you from growing old (NOW they tell me). Anyway, this component of red wine is supposed to enable you to live way over 100.

The catch, though, is that in order to get enough of the element to keep you young, you'd have to drink something like 68 bottles of red wine a day. After two or three days, you wouldn't even care whether you got any older or not.

What the article said (it was really an advertisement) was that if you'd just order their concentrated product, you'd get enough in one dose a day to keep you young. I'm not so sure about that. Probably if you could get that much in one pill (or spoonful, or whatever) to keep you from aging, it also would be enough to knock you flat on your...uh, back.

"I'll bet if you die right away, anyhow, they will refund your money, provided you sign a paper to that effect."

MONDAY, says the grouch on Ave. G, is an awful way to spend one-seventh of your week.

THE ABOVE comment, of course, means that someone thinks Monday is a mostly a waste of time. Speaking of which, I was wondering if anyone has ever calculated how much time the average driver spends just sitting in his or her car waiting for the light to change? If you have driven for 20 years or more, you may not really want to know.

It would be nice if someone would invent something which would automatically change the traffic signals as I approach them, to allow me to keep on going, stopping everyone else. That way, I could proceed to my important destination while all those other people who should have just stayed at home in the first place sit there and fume.

Does this mean I would like special privileges at the expense of all others? Of course. Wouldn't everyone?

## Obituaries

### Jack B. Jaquess

Graveside services for Jack Brice Jaquess, 84, of Tahoka, were held at 2 p.m. Monday, April 20 at the Restland Cemetery in Gatesville. He died Thursday, April 16, 2009 in Tahoka.

He was born Sept. 3, 1924 at White Hall in Coryell County. He graduated from Turnersville and served America in the U.S. Army's 4th Armored Division in Europe during WWII. He was a Purple Heart recipient. In 1955, he moved his family to Tahoka where he operated the John Deere Implement Dealership for many years. He served in leadership roles as city councilman, Chamber of Commerce Board member and the Masonic Lodge as a 32nd Degree Mason.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Christine Gilmore Jaquess, his parents, and his brothers Joe, Willie B (Bill) and wife Ruth, Charlie and wife Helon.

Survivors include his sister, Thelma Waterman of Colorado; son, Jack B. Jaquess Jr. and wife Barbara of Tahoka; daughter, Jean Johnston and husband Billy of Water Valley; five grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

### Imogene

#### Vaughan Garrity

Imogene Vaughan Garrity, 89, of Las Cruces, NM died March 31, 2009. She was a former longtime resident of Tahoka. Her ashes were buried in the family plot in the Tahoka Cemetery.

She is survived by a daughter, Beth Steele-Nash of Idaho.



C.B. (CHANG) TERRY

### C.B. (Chang) Terry

Services for Clarence Burl (Chang) Terry, 92, formerly of Tahoka, were held at 2 p.m. Friday, April 17, 2009 at White Memorial Chapel in Tahoka with Gerald Parsons officiating. Interment followed at Tahoka Cemetery with a Masonic graveside service. Arrangements were under the personal care of White Funeral Home in Tahoka. He died April 15, 2009.

He was born December 5, 1916 in Sulphur Springs, to Ernest Bruce and Lou Ellen (Philpot) Terry. He graduated from Tahoka High School in 1934. He married Naomi Norman, in Tahoka. He retired from farming and he owned Terry Tire in Post and Tahoka. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge in Tahoka for 62 years and Shriners in Lubbock.



MR. AND MRS. BILL GARDENHIRE

### Couple celebrates 60th anniversary

Bill and Bertha Gardenhire of O'Donnell celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on April 19, 2009 at the First Baptist Church Fellowship hall, hosted by their son, Ronnie and his wife Karen.

Gardenhire and the former Bertha Mae Todd were married April 15, 1949 in Lamesa.

The couple has one grandchild, two step-grandchildren, and one step great grandchild.

### Phebe K. Warner CLUB NEWS

Phebe K. Warner Club met April 14th in the home of Bettye Green. Reports were given of the Caprock District 49th Annual Convention held in Lubbock March 21st with club members Loretta Tekell, Gerald-Deane Wood, Bettye Green, JoAnn Dickson and Deloris Short attending. The club received first place awards for: Outstanding Americanism, Leadership, Advocates for Children, Citizenship in Action and Creative Arts projects, and second place awards for M.D. Anderson project, Beautification and Arts in the Community.

Members are reminded to bring bake sale snacks for Relay for Life to President Suzanne Baker's home before the night of April 24th. All members need to bring a freezer of ice cream to the Fun/Food Festival benefiting the Lynn County Hospital starting at 5:30 on May 2.

The next meeting will be at the First Baptist Church fellowship room Tuesday, May 5th at 4:00 where members and the community are invited to hear a book review by Carol Headrick, daughter of former long-time club member the late Lucille Smith. On this occasion the club supports the local City-County Library with donations.

He was a member of First Baptist Church in Tahoka.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother Doyle Terry and one sister Alice Irene Frazier.

Survivors include his wife Naomi; one daughter, Norma Ruth Wood of Lubbock; two sons, Charles Earl Terry of Lubbock, and Gordon Lane Terry and wife Lu Anne of Post; step-daughters, Beverly Weeman and Cheri Norman; nine grandchildren; eleven great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.

### Three to resign at Tahoka ISD

Two coaches and the district counselor have submitted resignations at Tahoka Independent School District, effective at the end of the school year. Head football coach Jesse Garza and his wife, TISD counselor Shelby Garza, have submitted letters of resignation, according to Superintendent Jimmy Parker this week. Coach Garza also taught high school math.

Katie Craft, head girls track coach and assistant basketball coach, also submitted her resignation for the end of the year. She teaches biology at THS.

With these and previous resignations, the athletic department at TISD is looking for a new athletic director/head football coach and a new head boys basketball coach for next year, as well as a new head girls track coach.

### Follow recycling guidelines for City of Tahoka

The City of Tahoka has two recycling bins for residential use, in the parking lot next to City Hall at 1612 Lockwood. Two separate bins are available, one for recycling paper, and one for recycling plastics. Please observe the following guidelines for recycling:

#### PAPER

**PAPER:** Acceptable paper is computer paper, white and pastel paper. NO fluorescent or cardstock paper. **NEWSPAPER:** Dry and unsoiled newspaper. NO slick inserts. NO magazines.

**CARDBOARD & PASTEBOARD BOXES:** Dry and unsoiled. Corrugated cardboard boxes and cereal or dinner pasteboard boxes. All boxes should be broken down and flattened. NO dirty boxes such as pizza boxes.

#### PLASTIC

**PLASTIC BOTTLES & JUGS:** All plastic containers; remove caps, lids, and easily removable labels. Rinse and flatten container if possible.

**A.** Clear and tinted plastic bottles and jugs such as soft drink, water, and beverage containers with PET #1 imprinted on bottom.

**B.** Opaque natural plastic bottles and jugs such as milk, water, and other beverage bottles and jugs.

**C.** Colored plastic bottles and jugs such as detergent jugs and bleach jugs.

#### Items NOT accepted:

NO motor oil containers. NO margarine or other tub type containers.

NO Styrofoam. NO lids, caps, plastic wide-mouth tubs, plastic trays, plastic toys, poison or pesticide bottles.

Unloading of material will be the responsibility of the citizen. Place recyclables in the proper bin. DO NOT place unacceptable items in with similar recyclables as this will contaminate the entire bin.

Using recycling bins for household or business garbage constitutes Theft of Service and Illegal Dumping. Violators will be identified and prosecuted under Texas Penal Code 31.04 and Texas Health and Safety Code 365.012.

For more information, contact Tahoka City Hall at 561-4211.



MRS. LEXINGTON GILLEAN II (nee CHELSEY D'LYNN MILLER)

### Miller-Gillean vows exchanged

Chelsey D'Lynn Miller of Tahoka, and Lexington Kelly Gillean II of Levelland, were united in marriage at 6:00 p.m. Saturday, April 4, 2009 at the First Baptist Church in Tahoka, with Jerry Howe of Dumas officiating the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Steve and Carol Miller of Tahoka, and the granddaughter of Clifton and Joan Gardner and J.T. Miller, all of Tahoka. The groom is the son of Lex and Frances Gillean of Levelland.

Escorted by her father, the bride wore a gown of ivory Taffeta by the collection of Maggie Sottero. The strapless gown wrapped across the sweetheart neckline creating an asymmetrical waist, featuring embellished lace on the bodice and a gathered taffeta overlay created a fluted side drape revealing an embellished tulle insert. The a-line skirt fell into a semi-cathedral train. To complete her ensemble, the bride selected a tiara of crystals and pearls finished with a two veil of illusion edged with pearls and bugle beads.

Lauren Clem of New Home served as Maid of Honor. Bridesmaids were Tara Wood, cousin of the bride of Big Spring, Keely Boone, Katie Noble and Kalah Bartley, all of Lubbock, and Britni Hardage, cousin of the bride of Grapevine.

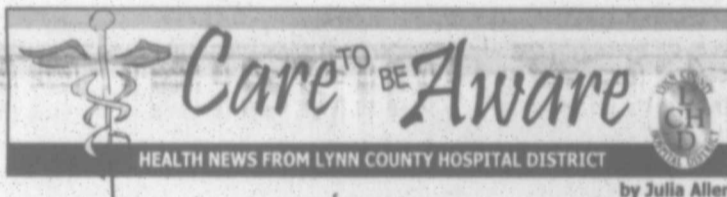
Daniel Harvey of Dallas served as Best Man. Groomsmen were Coby Colley of Lubbock, Matt Griser, and Tom Wiri both of Austin, Lance Keller and Jason Sisson both Levelland, Suthee Wiri of San Francisco, CA and Cade Miller, brother of the bride of Austin.

Serving as ushers were Ren Ellis of Lubbock, and cousins of the bride, Cory Gardner of Tahoka, Colby Gardner of Colorado City, Ty Gardner of Fort Worth, and Conner Monk of Odessa.

Soloists for the wedding were cousins of the bride, Byron Norwood of Tahoka, and Daron Norwood of Lubbock.

A reception was held at the Lubbock Country Club following the ceremony.

The couple will reside in Lubbock after honeymooning in St. Lucia. The groom is a graduate of Levelland High School and has a Bachelor's Degree in Biology from the University of Texas. He is also a 2004 graduate of the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas with a Masters Degree in Physical Therapy. He is currently employed by Physical Therapy Associates. The bride is a graduate of Tahoka High School and a 2006 graduate from Texas Tech University with a Bachelor's Degree in Restaurant, Hotel, and Institutional Management.



### SUPPORT LOCAL RELAY FOR LIFE:

This Friday night Tahoka High is sponsoring the Relay For Life, Lynn County Hospital District would like to encourage all Lynn County residents to come out and enjoy the festivities. The event starts at 7:00 pm at the Tahoka High football field. Even if you are not on an official team come on out. There will be many other activities to participate in and show your support for this event. Look here in the Lynn County News for all the events and entertainment schedule.

Relay For Life of Lynn County began in 2006, and since that time it has raised over \$30,000 to fund the American Cancer Society's mission. Relay For Life will celebrate its 25th anniversary in 2009. In 1985, a physician named Gordy Klatt of Tacoma, Washington, walked, ran, and jogged around a track to raise money for his local American Cancer Society. Today, Relay For Life has a community presence in 5,000 communities nationwide and in more than 20 countries around the

world. From one man to a global movement, Relay has raised over \$3 billion and involved more than 3.5 million people.

Money raised through Relay For Life is used to fund the American Cancer Society's mission to eliminate cancer through research, education, advocacy, and services. Since its inception in 1913, the American Cancer Society has raised over \$3 billion for cancer research and has funded 42 scientists who went on to win the Nobel Prize in their field of study.

From 1995-2004, nearly 300 Lynn County residents were diagnosed with cancer, and each year more than 80,000 Texans are diagnosed. The Society provides a variety of services to cancer patients and their families, including support groups, medical equipment, wigs, information, and resource referral, and all services are provided free of charge. More information is available by calling the local office in Lubbock at (806) 792-7128 or toll free 1-(800)-ACS-2345 or by visiting [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org).



Eagle now a Raider ... Caleb Schneider (#62), a former O'Donnell Eagle, is now a Texas Tech Red Raider. He played Saturday in the Red/Black game at Texas Tech. (PHOTO by Abraham Vega)

Come support your local hospital by attending the **29th Annual Lynn County Hospital District Fun & Food FESTIVAL**

sponsored by the Tahoka Rotary Club

Raffles and Door Prizes

Bid on Trip packages!

Homemade Ice Cream

Food & Drinks

Live Auction! begins at 5:30

All-You-Can-Eat FISH FRY! prepared by the Tahoka Volunteer Fire Dept.

**Saturday, May 2nd 5:00-8:00 p.m.**

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*Alison "Ali" Joy Thompson*

Born April 1, 2009 at 9:45 p.m. at Denton Regional Hospital 8 lbs., 8.7 oz • 21" long

PARENTS: Jason & Kalie Thompson of Lake Dallas BROTHER: Jacob, 3 yrs. old

GRANDPARENTS: John & Cheryl Krey of Tahoka

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AMBER NICOLE BLACKWOOD and ERIK JUSTIN GARRARD

### Couple to wed May 9

William Blackwood of Holyoke, Mass and Sheila Blackwood of Grenada, MS announce the engagement of their daughter, Amber Nicole Blackwood to Erik Justin Garrard, son of Randolph and Deborah Griffin Garrard of Holcomb, MS.

The future bride is the granddaughter of Trueitt and Katie Slone of Tahoka, the late Jimmie "Pete" Warren, and the late Robert and Teresa Blackwood. She is a 2002 graduate of Grenada High School and graduate of Holmes Community College in Grenada. She is employed by Greenwood Leflore Hospital as a Certified Surgical Technologist, in Greenwood, MS.

Garrard is the grandson of Helen Garrard and the late Jack Garrard of Grenada, MS, and Curtis and Monette Griffin of Spanish Fort, AL. He is a 2003 graduate of Garrard Christian Academy and a graduate of Mississippi Delta Community College in Moorhead, MS. He is a self-employed painter and is also currently active in the Mississippi Army National Guard.

The couple plans to marry Saturday, May 9, at 3:00 p.m. at the Greenwood Garden Club in Greenwood, MS. A reception will follow.

## Tractor transmission damaged by vandals

Tahoka Police were advised this week that an MX 220 tractor owned by Gary Stennett had been damaged by criminal mischief which occurred between April 1-6 as the machine was parked in the city near a barn in the 1900-block of Ave. D. Stennett said he was not aware of the damage until he tried to operate the tractor, and that mechanics discovered sand, water and string in the transmission. No estimate of the cost of repair was immediately available.

Police arrested a 25-year-old Tahoka man April 15 on a forgery warrant, and on April 14 arrested another 25-year-old for criminal mischief after he broke a window in the home of a relative.

Also on April 14, police took a statement from a 47-year-old Tahoka woman who said she was touched inappropriately in a local business by a man she identified. The case is to be sent to municipal court for prosecution, police said.

Facundo Hiracheta of New Home reported to the sheriff's office that a 16-foot red utility trailer had been stolen from near his residence on April 3 or 4. Stolen with the trailer were ramps, a tool box,

four chain booms, four chains and a car jack. Total value of the missing trailer and contents was set at \$3725.

Eighteen persons were added to the jail population in Lynn County during the last week, bringing the total in jail here to 40, with 12 of those held for Lubbock County.

Charges on which the latest suspects were jailed included assault/family violence, ALR suspension, warrant on no insurance plus expired vehicle registration, possession of marijuana plus driving while intoxicated, application to revoke probation on conviction of driving while license invalid, application to revoke probation on conviction of endangering a child plus DWI third offense or more, public intoxication, failure to appear on child support case, DWI with previous intoxicated manslaughter charge, possession of marijuana, warrants on no drivers license, assault and misdemeanors, criminal mischief, driving while license suspended and driving while license invalid with prior conviction plus failure to maintain financial responsibility, enhanced.



ADAM PETSCH and PRISCILLA LEIGH ADAMS

### Couple to marry in Austin

Kevin and Betsy Taylor of Lubbock are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Priscilla Leigh Adams, of Austin, to Adam Petsch of Lincoln Nebraska. Adam is the son of Tom and Cathie Petsch, also of Lincoln Nebraska.

Miss Adams is also the daughter of the late Jim R. Adams of Lubbock and the granddaughter of Duane and Nan Howell of Lubbock and the late Ray Adams of Tahoka.

The bride-elect is a 2001 graduate of Coronado High School in Lubbock. She received her B.A. from the University of Texas at Austin, in 2004 and will graduate and receive her M.Ed. in Educational Psychology from UT-Austin in May 2009.

The future bridegroom is a graduate of Lincoln South East High School in Lincoln Nebraska and received his B. F. A. in 2004 from Nebraska Wesleyan University in Lincoln Nebraska. He is employed as Vice President of Cather & Sons Construction in Lincoln.

The couple plan to be married June 20, 2009, at Barr Mansion in Austin.



**Need a lawnmower? ... Felix Perez, an employee with Lynn County Hospital District, shows a new lawnmower that will be up for auction at the Fun/Food Festival on May 2. First National Bank of Tahoka is donating the lawnmower. All proceeds benefit the local hospital.**

## STORK REPORT

**Averie Brooke McNeely**  
Colton and Jonna McNeely announce the birth of their daughter, Averie Brooke, born April 3, 2009 at 7:49 a.m. at Covenant Lakeside Hospital in Lubbock. She weighed 5 lbs, 5 ozs and was 19-1/2 inches long. She has one sister, Kylie.

Grandparents are Todd and Rhonda McNeely of Tahoka, and John and Michele Raben of Post. Great grandparents are Morris Bingham of Buchanan Dam, Gloria Braddock of Early, and Bernice Raben of South Dakota. Great-great grandmother is Lois Roberts of Tahoka.

## Pleasant Grove MENU

**Open Friday from 11:00-5:30 and Saturday from 11:00 a.m. till 5:00 p.m. BBQ, potato salad, Fried Chicken, Fried Catfish, Hamburgers and Cheese Burgers, Pork Chops, Chicken Fried Steak**  
**Sunday, April 24:** Roast beef, baked chicken, chicken fried steak, fried chicken, macaroni & tomatoes, corn, green beans, steamed broccoli & cauliflower, mashed potatoes, dessert surprise.  
Call In Orders Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 561-1019.

## Lena Cloe Fund opened at FB&T

A "Lena Cloe Medical/Travel Expense" fund has been opened at First Bank & Trust in Tahoka/Wilson for donations to assist the Lena Cloe family of Tahoka with medical and travel expenses as she is receiving treatment. Mrs. Cloe suffers from neuropathic facial pain known as TN (Trigeminal Neuralgia), a nerve disorder of unknown origin that causes sudden shock-like facial pains, typically near the nose, lips, eyes or ears. It is said, to be "the most excruciatingly painful human condition in the world," according to information on the TN website (www.fpa-support.org).

Mrs. Cloe is the Coordinator of the Lynn County Victim Assistance program. She has received ongoing medical treatment in Lubbock for the condition, but her physicians there are reportedly seeking other options for treatment for her elsewhere, and the family is expecting extensive travel expenses not covered by her medical insurance.

### New Home Coop to hold Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of New Home Coop Gin will be held Tuesday, April 28 at 6:00 p.m. at the New Home Community Center.

### Wilson SCHOOL MENU

April 27-May 1 BREAKFAST  
Monday: Donuts  
Tuesday: Baked eggs, toast  
Wednesday: Cinnamon Rolls  
Thursday: Sausage on a stick  
Friday: Breakfast Pizza  
LUNCH  
Monday: Enchiladas, refried beans, tossed salad, cinnamon apples  
Tuesday: BBQ on a bun, tots, corn coblette, pineapple tidbits  
Wednesday: Chicken & noodles, green beans, Texas toast, fruited gelatin, frozen yogurt  
Thursday: Pizza, corn, salad, sliced peaches  
Friday: Corn dog, oven fries, western beans, fruit

# ATTEND CHURCH IN LYNN COUNTY

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<p><b>Wilson First Baptist Church</b> 1403 13th St. • Box 67 • Wilson, TX 79381 (806) 628-6333 PASTOR: BILLY FARMER Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship - 11:00 a.m. Discipleship Training - 5 p.m. Sunday Sunday Evening Worship - 6 p.m. 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays: Fellowship Meal &amp; Classes for all ages Bible Study &amp; Prayer Mtg • Youth</p>	<p><b>In the Turbulence</b> Read Psalm 57 [God] has made everything beautiful in its time. - Ecclesiastes 3:11 (NIV) What I hate most about airline flights is turbulence. When we encounter turbulence, usually the crew tells passengers to fasten their seatbelts because the plane may start to shake for a few moments. This shaking can be terrifying -- especially for people afraid to fly. But after the plane has passed through the dense clouds, the passengers are amazed by the magnificent scenery below and the vivid blue sky above those clouds, and we forget all those frightening times that came before. In his psalms, David wrote about similar situations of being frightened and then being delivered when God set him free from his enemies. Sometimes problems terrify and worry us, just as conditions cause turbulence for the flight. In those times we may ask, "Why is this happening to me?" But as we call upon God and trust God with our problems, we begin to understand what Ecclesiastes 3:11 says, that God "has made everything beautiful in its time." Beyond our clouds, God has something beautiful for us -- something as beautiful as that vivid blue sky beyond the clouds. Thought for the Day: In the turbulence, we can trust God's unfailing love. Nathania Setiawan... from The Upper Room</p>		<p><b>Ambassadors for Christ</b> 701 N. 1st • Tahoka, TX 79373 Phone 806-797-5132 PASTOR: LONNY LANGEHENNIG SUNDAY SERVICES: Morning Worship - 10:45 a.m. Evening Praise &amp; Worship - 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.</p>
<p><b>Grassland Nazarene Church</b> 2885 CR 25 • Tahoka, TX 79373 (806) 327-5656, 327-5655 PASTOR: Rev. James Miller Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Youth and Adults: Wednesdays - 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>New Home United Methodist Church</b> 350 N. Main New Home, TX 79383 (806) 924-7549 PASTOR: RICK WOLFE Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship - 10:45 a.m. Youth Activities</p>	<p><b>Tahoka Trinity Church</b> 1925 Lockwood • Box 1168 • Tahoka, TX 79373 Phone (806) 561-5317 PASTOR: PERRY SHUFFIELD Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Youth - Sundays at 7 p.m. For a ride to Sunday School or Church, call 561-5317</p>	<p><b>Sweet Street Baptist Church</b> 1300 Avenue J • Box 751 • Tahoka, TX 79373 (806) 561-5310 PASTOR: LYNN LONG Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. (A Bible Study Class for all ages) Morning Worship - 10:55 a.m. (Uplifting Music - Message from God's Word) Evening Worship - 6 p.m. (Praise &amp; Worship - Gospel Message) Wednesday Night - 7 p.m. (Prayer &amp; Bible Study, Children &amp; Youth Ministries) EVERYONE IS WELCOME!</p>
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**Regional Golf qualifiers ....**  
BOYS were District 3-1A Champs; Matt Taylor - 4th Place individual; Chance Cook - 2nd place individual; Adrian Webster - 3rd place individual; Jay Martin; Jamie Bingham. GIRLS: Stormee Martin - 4th place individual. The Regional tournament was held Apr. 20/21 - boys at Reese Golf Center / girls at Elm Grove Golf Course.



**Area and Regional Track Qualifiers ...**  
(\* Denotes Regional Qualifier)  
GIRLS: Taryn Bishop - Pole Vault; \*Samantha Pridmore - High Jump; 4x100m Relay - Kayla Long, M'Kayla Tillman, Skyler McCleskey, Hannah Thomas.  
BOYS: \*4x100m Relay - Ian Zamarron, Xavier Zamarron, Neiko Garcia, Mitchell Chapa, Taylor Abell; 4x200m Relay - Ian Zamarron, Taylor Abell, Neiko Garcia, Ricardo Delgado; 4x400m Relay - Ricardo Delgado, Xavier Zamarron, Seth Hawthorne, Mitchell Chapa; \*400m Dash - Mitchell Chapa (District & Area Champion); \*200m Dash - Xavier Zamarron; \*800m run - Joell Lowdermilk; 800m run - Adrian Webster. The Regional Track Meet will be held May 1-2 at South Plains College.



**Advancing to Regionals ...**  
THS students advancing to the Regional Academic UIL Meet in Levelland on April 24, back from left: Sarah Calvillo, competing in Feature Writing; Kaleb Collins in Ready Writing; Ben Freitag in Calculators, Editorial Writing, and Mathematics; and Kalee Wuensche in News Writing; and in front, Griselda Lopez in Headline Writing; Taryn Bishop in Computer Applications; Brittany Garcia in Headline Writing; and Patrick Wells will compete in Accounting.



**GOING TO STATE! ...** These students made the UIL Texas State Solo & Ensemble Contest, which will be held at San Marcus on June 1. They qualified by earning a Superior on a class I solo or ensemble: PIANO SOLO - Patrick Wells; SAX QUARTET - 2 #1's - Ben Freitag, Jannifer Marquez, Lucy Perez, Kyle Larpenfer; TROMBONE TRIO - Brandon Moss (not pictured), David Spruiell, A'Leesha Truelove; BRASS TRIO - Vicente Salinas, Trey Daves, Kaleb Collins; BRASS QUARTET - Sarah Tello, Amanda Hernandez, Beth Shuey, Bryan Callahan; BRASS SEXTET - Vicente Salinas, Sarah Tello, Bryan Pena, Kaleb Collins, Mitchell Chapa, Billy Saldana.

## BAND

*Awesome!*

### The Tradition continues ... 7th Consecutive Sweepstakes

The THS Band earned a superior "1" in all three UIL Contests (Marching, Concert & Sight-reading) for the 7th consecutive year.



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Allegra Ramirez  
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Jacob Wright  
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Felicia Sandobal  
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Erika Marquez
- CLARINETS  
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Kyle Larpenfer
- TUBAS  
Billy Saldana  
Paul Bernal
- TRUMPETS  
Vicente Salinas  
Sarah Tello  
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Sabrina Morales  
Taryn Bishop  
Nikki Box  
A. J. Flores  
Kadi Larpenfer
- KAITLYN RENO  
Caleb Renfro  
Michael Paris  
Isabell Resendez  
Alex Webster
- XAVIER ZAMARRON  
Xavier Zamarron
- PERCUSSION  
Matt Taylor  
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**Seventh consecutive trilogy!**

**Tahoka 3-D Band earns Sweepstakes**

The Tahoka High School Band, having made a name for themselves in Class 2A competitions, is now making their mark in 1A division contests. Last Thursday, April 16, at Sundown, the Tahoka High School 3-D Band competed in the UIL Concert and Sightreading Contest. Playing one of the hardest programs they have played, they earned straight ones from every judge and high praise. In addition, this was the 3-D Band's seventh consecutive Sweepstakes, which is 1's in marching, concert, and sight-reading. They received straight 1's in every contest this year. Currently the band has earned 11 consecutive years of 1's in concert, a decade of 1's in sightreading, and seven consecutive years of 1's in marching.

out the state wrote: "Very musical approach to the performance—way to go! It was enjoyable listening to you play!! Congratulations on a job extremely well done! Excellent program—high-quality, very demanding music selections."

Rhodes stated, "As we prepared for contest, I told these phenomenal kids that people would either say that we over-programmed or 'Wow!' They came through with the 'Wow!'"

The public will have an opportunity to hear this award winning band at the annual Spring Concert on Thursday, May 21. "All three of these pieces will be performed as well as a wide assortment of other musical entrees," said Rhodes.

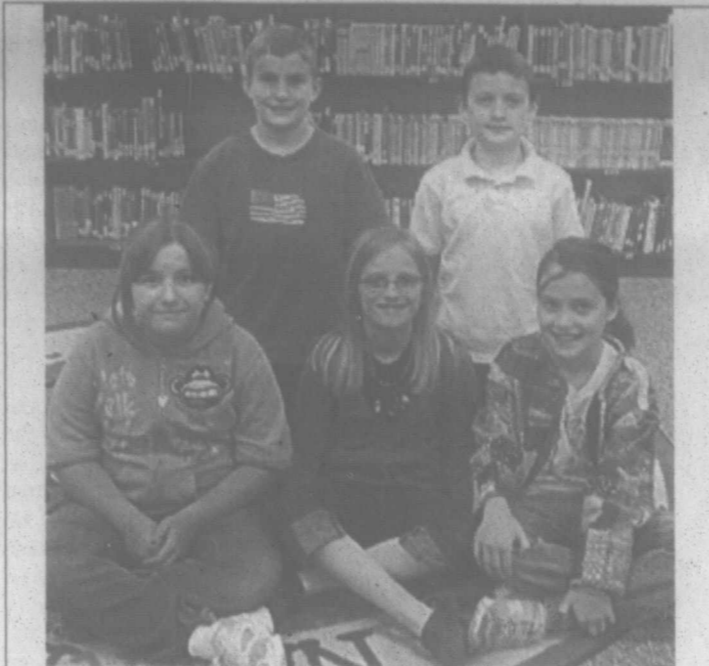
**Raffle to benefit Relay for Life**

The Tahoka High School Staff Relay for Life Team is selling raffle tickets for a chance to win a 22-inch push lawn mower and a \$50 gift certificate to Thriftway. Ticket prices are \$5 for the lawn mower and \$1 for the gift certificate. Tickets may be purchased from any high school staff member or the high school office. The team will also be selling baked goods by the slice at their campsite on Friday night, as well as a dessert silent auction.

**Tahoka SCHOOL MENU**

**April 27-30**  
**Monday:** Mini Burrito  
**Tuesday:** Breakfast muffin  
**Wednesday:** Pancake on a stick  
**Thursday:** Donuts  
**Friday:** N/A

**Lunch**  
**Monday:** Hamburgers w/ trimmings, baked beans, baby carrots, crispy cereal treat  
**Tuesday:** Chicken fajitas, refried beans, corn, chocolate pudding cup  
**Wednesday:** Sub sandwich, tots, baby carrots, brownie  
**Thursday:** Corn dog, oven fried potatoes, broccoli w/ ranch, strawberry cup  
**Friday:** N/A



**We love books ...** These Tahoka 4th graders were winners in the Bluebonnet Award reading program, volunteering to read 5 of 20 books written by Texas authors and voting on their favorite book. These 4th graders are (in back) Grant Tekell, Abraham Nickel, and in front, Alicia Brown, KyLynn McCleskey and Averi Starkey.

**Senior Citizens MENU**

**April 27-May 1**  
**Monday:** Hamburgers, trimmings, three bean salad, chips, bananas & strawberries  
**Tuesday: Happy April Birthdays!** Chicken fried steak, white gravy, mashed potatoes, cauliflower w/ cheese, homemade rolls, birthday cake  
**Wednesday:** Chicken & rice casserole, sweet peas, tossed salad, biscuits, peach crisps  
**Thursday:** Chicken spaghetti or baked pasta, Italian veggies, salad, garlic bread, brownies  
**Friday:** Coney dogs, oven baked French fries, chips, cinnamon applesauce  
**\*April 28 Happy Birthday Meal and Birthday cake!** April Birthdays are: Dottie Ashbrook, Sotero 'Jack' Benevides Sr., Pat Bingham, Joann Corbet, Loleta Davis, Chubbs Ehlers, Oscar Follis of Wilson, Bobby Guillems, Betty Harston, Freda Jeffcoat, Gladys Jones, Sabas Longoria, Pauline Martinez, JT Miller, Janet Porterfield, and Lenda Wood. Birthday people eat for free! Don't forget to say Happy Birthday if you see any of these celebrants out and about in town.  
 • Weekly domino night on Mondays at 6:00 p.m. • Do not forget to buy your copy of our cookbook: **Timeless Treasures**. • Tuesday, May 12- 10:30-1:30 at the Center: Medication Management Health Fair for seniors 60+

**TAHOKA SCHOOL NEWS**  
by THS Journalism Students

**Bulldog Baseball**  
**By: Taryn Bishop**  
 The Tahoka Bulldogs played Ralls on April 14. They lost 12-1. Ridge Hall pitched for four innings with four strikeouts. Martin Rosas also pitched one inning with two strikeouts. Taylor Abell, Logan Tekell, and Hall each hit a single.

**Lynn County Relay For Life Schedule**  
at the THS Football Field

**Friday, April 24:**  
**5:00 pm.** Teams begin setting up  
**6:00 pm.** Survivor Registration begins  
**7:00 pm.** Welcome and Survivor/ Caregiver Lap, Special music by Tahoka 3-D band performing "With Quiet Courage" dedicated to cancer victims  
**7:15 pm.** First lap for all participants  
**8:00 pm.** HS Staff Baked Goods Silent Auction Begins, Cutest Baby Contest winners announced, MAGICIAN- Russell Scoggin  
**9:00 pm** Luminaria Ceremony and Special Remembrances  
**10:00 pm** Guest Singers- 1 Kings 8:30  
**10:30- 11:00 pm** Mixed Music by Edward Gomez  
**11:00-11:30 pm** Guest Singer- Byron Norwood  
**11:30- 12:00 am** Guest Singer- Karon Moss and Carroll Rhodes and Mixed Music by Edward Gomez  
**12:00-1:00 am** Midnight Karaoke (tent) begins and Sponsor Recognition  
**1:00-2:00 am** Miss Relay Contest, Mixed Music by Edward Gomez  
**2:00-3:30 am** Guest Singers- Trey Daves, and Morgan, Madison, and Brit Lockaby  
**3:30 - 5:00 am** Most creative campsite and best banner winners announced, Mixed Music by Edward Gomez  
**5:00 am** Breakfast by Tahoka Men's Reunion Group  
**6:30 am** Last Walk and Closing Ceremony



**5th graders love to read ...** These Tahoka 5th graders were winners in the Bluebonnet Award reading program, volunteering to read 5 of 20 books written by Texas authors and voting on their favorite book. In back from left are Joseph Lara, Marcos Saldana, Carlos Morales, and Tony Garcia; middle row, Adrianna Salinas, Katharina Nickel, Sarina Ybarra, M'Linn Hill, Miranda DeLeon, and Clarissa Lopez; and in front, Maci Dimak, Tarianna Pena, Xenia Charon, Taylor Morin and Grant Garvin.

**Shrubs, plants available at SWCD**

The Lynn County SWCD has available the following one gallon flowering plants: Royal Purple and Red Bougainvillea, Spanish Broom, Texas Sage, Orange Bulbine Frutscens, Hardy Hibiscus, Greggii Salvia and Naturalizing Lillies. Also available are the following one gallon trees: Red Oaks, Chinkapin Oaks, Catalpas and Pecans. All of these plants are blooming and the trees are leafed out and ready for planting.  
 For more information or to see all these plants and trees come by the SWCD Office at 1602 S. 2nd St. in Tahoka.

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**ESL Summer School Offered**  
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Tahoka ISD is offering an 8 week summer school program for ESL students who are entering kindergarten or first grade in the 09-10 school year.

June 1<sup>st</sup> - July 31<sup>st</sup>  
 9:00am - 12:00pm  
 Tahoka Elementary

Transportation will not be provided.

Contact the Elementary School (561-4350) for more information.

**ESL Summer School Offered**  
 (El inglés como segundo lengua)

Tahoka ISD está ofreciendo un programa de la escuela de verano de 8 semanas para los estudiantes de ESL que están incorporando kindergarten o el primer grado en el año escolar 2009-2010.

01 Junio - 31 Julio, 2009  
 9:00am - 12:00pm  
 Tahoka Elementary

La escuela no sera responsable del transporte de los niños.

Para más información, por favor llamar la escuela primaria (561-4350).



**Outstanding Students ...** Outstanding FFA and 4-H students in Lynn County were honored at the Lynn County Soil and Water Conservation District banquet last week. Pictured here are Dominique Escobar, Wilson ISD FFA; Graham Henley, Tahoka ISD FFA; Jacob Bingham, 4-H; and Mary Maeker, New Home FFA. Not pictured is Tanner Hancock, O'Donnell FFA.



**Best Posters ...** Lynn County Soil & Water Conservation District Poster Contest winners were awarded trophies at the SWCD banquet last week. They are, from left, Kenna Hagler, Kindergarten, O'Donnell ISD; Taylor Cox, 1st grade, O'Donnell; Anna Janzen, 2nd grade, O'Donnell; Carrie Rose McDaniel, 3rd grade, Wilson ISD; Selena Castro, 4th grade, O'Donnell; Camryn Nieman, 5th grade New Home; and Anabel Gomez, 6th grade, New Home.

## Scott, Hawthorne honored by SWCD

Approximately 110 persons attended the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Lynn County Soil & Water Conservation Awards to honor outstanding conservation farmer, teacher, FFA students, 4-H and poster contest winners. Jack Scott, from Tahoka, was named Outstanding Conservation Farmer of 2008, and Lisa Hawthorne, also of Tahoka, was named Outstanding Conservation Teacher.

Scott is a third generation Lynn County farmer, growing up on the family farm east of Tahoka. He has been a Lynn County SWCD District Cooperator for over 27 years. He owns 160 acres of cropland of which 26 acres are in CRP. He operates an additional 296 acres of cropland of which 100 acres are in CRP. The remaining acres in cultivation are constantly rotated between cotton, milo, haygrazer, wheat, turnips, hairy vetch, clover ... anything that Scott believes the soil moisture will support at the time.

Being a 100% dry land farmer, Scott has to keep his rotation options flexible. All terraces, turn rows, and field borders and the more environmentally sensitive areas are planted to permanent grasses. These grasses help to reduce water erosion, control wind erosion and protect young crops from blowing sand while enhancing the wildlife habitat by providing food and cover. These grasses also improve the quality of excess rain water by filtering the runoff.

Working closely with the Lynn County Soil & Water Conservation District and the Natural Resources Conservation Service Office in Tahoka, Scott became an Earth Team Volunteer to help get the word out to the public about soil and water conservation. He and his wife, Kelley, attend Tahoka's Church of Christ.

The Lynn County SWCD recognized Lisa Hawthorne as the Outstanding Conservation Teacher of 2008. "Mrs. Hawthorne is applauded for her outstanding dedication to promoting conservation education and awareness of natural resources stewardship," said a SWCD representative during the presentation.

A graduate of Tahoka High School, Mrs. Hawthorne received her Bachelors Degree in Education from Wayland Baptist University. She currently teaches fourth grade at Tahoka Elementary, and says she is very privileged to have the opportunity to teach her two favorite subjects, reading and science.

Last year, Lisa taught several lessons focusing on soil and water conservation and utilized outside resources to help with these lessons. She took the 4<sup>th</sup> graders crowd fishing at Leighton Knox's pond, and discussed the importance of the small fresh water ponds in our area and the wildlife that benefit from these small ponds. She and her students participated in the "AG in a Bag" program in Lubbock that helped them understand how the survival of all living things relies on soil and water, and she takes advantage of local resources for programs relating to soil texture, ability to support life, and the importance of the different soil types.

Mrs. Hawthorne strives to teach her students the importance of conservation and stewardship of our natural resources. To lay a good foundation, she started her school year by asking Helen Saldana, SWCD Secretary to present a

slide program to her students that explained what conservation is and what practices are used in the area to carry out conservation. Students used ideas from the slide presentation to participate in the District's poster contest.



**Outstanding Farmer, Teacher ...** Jack Scott (left) was named Outstanding Conservation Farmer and Lisa Hawthorne (right) was named Outstanding Conservation Teacher at the Lynn County SWCD Conservation Awards Banquet held last week. Pictured with them is Mike Metzger, vice president of Ag Texas Farm Credit Service, who sponsored the plaques and trophies for the SWCD awards.

## New Farm Bill meeting set here

Texas AgriLife Extension Service and the Lynn County Farm Service Agency will hold a New Farm Bill informational meeting on Tuesday, April 28. The meeting will be held at the Tahoka Housing Authority Center at 1400 Avenue K, in Tahoka. This is the building directly behind the FSA office. The meeting will start at 9:00 a.m. and go until about 11:00 a.m.

Bryan Reynolds, CEA-Ag, Texas AgriLife Extension Service will conduct the program. Rodney Schoppa, County Executive Director will provide Farm Bill updates, Pay Limit and eligibility changes for Corporation, Husband & Wife Joint Ventures and other Entity changes.

Shawna Taylor will give a short presentation on Farm Loan Programs. Shawna is the new Farm Loan Manager in Lynn and Terry Counties.

The ACRE program will consist of presentations by Dr. Jackie Smith, Economist with Texas AgriLife Extension Service and Jeff Pate, Risk Management Specialist also with Texas AgriLife Extension Service. Topics include the ACRE Program, what triggers an ACRE payment, payment calculations and ACRE Online Decision Aid Software.

For more information call the Texas AgriLife Extension Office at 806/561-4562 or the Lynn County FSA office at 806/998-4501.

## Winners listed in FB golf tourney

The Lynn-Garza County Farm Bureau held a Scholarship golf tournament on Saturday, April 18, at the T-Bar Country Club in Tahoka.

Winners of the contests were: Longest Drive- Blandon Hancock; Longest Putt- Michael White and Closest to Pin- BJ Lewis.

Team winners were, 1<sup>st</sup> Place- Jeff Armes, Gregg Armes, Garrett Bednard and Clay Taylor. 2<sup>nd</sup> Place team was Daniel Klive, Derik Thompson, Robby Brown and Chase Clark. 3<sup>rd</sup> Place team was Blake Ashcraft, Newell Hester, Josh Pridmore and Jonathan Webb.

All proceeds from the tournament will go toward scholarships. "Farm Bureau wishes to express thanks to all participants and hole sponsors," said a sponsor.

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### New Home SCHOOL MENU

April 27-May 1  
Breakfast

Monday: Asst. muffins  
Tuesday: Granola bars  
Wednesday: Bacon & eggs  
Thursday: Biscuit/ sausage  
Friday: N/A

Lunch

Monday: Grilled ham & cheese, carrot, cucumber, French fries, fruit  
Tuesday: Chili cheese dogs, tots, chili beans, watermelon  
Wednesday: Fish shapes, mac & cheese, corn on cob, frozen fruit pop  
Thursday: Pizza, lettuce/tomato, corn on the cob, pudding  
Friday: N/A

## AVISO

### PREREGISTRO PARA EL HEADSTART Y PRE-KINDERGARTEN 2009-2010

CAFETERÍA DE LA ESCUELA PRIMARIA DE TAHOKA  
LUNES 4 DE MAYO DE 2009  
1:30 P.M.

Para ser elegible para la inscripción en una clase de PK, un niño debe ser 3 o 4 años de edad el 1 de septiembre del año escolar actual y debe:

1. no poder hablar y comprender la lengua inglesa; o
2. educativo se perjudique (elegible participar en el programa nacional del almuerzo de escuela; o
3. ser sin hogar; o
4. ser el niño de un miembro del servicio activo de las fuerzas armadas de arma de los Estados Unidos, incluyendo las fuerzas militares del estado o un componente reservado de las fuerzas armadas de arma, que es pedido al servicio activo por autoridad competente; o
5. ser el niño de un miembro de las fuerzas armadas de arma de los Estados Unidos, incluyendo las fuerzas militares del estado o un componente reservado de las fuerzas armadas de arma, que fue dañado o mató mientras que servía en servicio activo; o
6. han estado en el conservatorship (acogida) del departamento de la familia y de los servicios protectores (DFPS) después de una audiencia del adversario.

**LOS PADRES DEBEN TRAER:**

- Acta de nacimiento
- Cartilla Nacional de vacunacion
- Tarjeta de Seguro Social
- Prueba de ingresos para los últimos 12 meses (income tax / W-2)

Es crítico que cada uno de las familias de Tahoka viene al preregistro o llama a la oficina en 561-4350 o a Señora Bennie Nance en 998-4123. Los juegos y las actividades de la diversión serán proporcionados para los niños mientras que los padres se colocan.

## NOTICE

### PRE-REGISTRATION FOR HEADSTART & PRE-KINDERGARTEN 2009-2010

MONDAY, MAY 4, 2009 1:30 P.M.  
TAHOKA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAFETERIA

To be eligible for enrollment in a PK class, a child must be 3 or 4 years of age on September 1 of the current school year and must:

1. be unable to speak and comprehend the English language; or
2. be educationally disadvantaged (eligible to participate in the National School Lunch Program; or
3. be homeless; or
4. be the child of an active duty member of the armed forces of the United States, including the state military forces or a reserved component of the armed forces, who is ordered to active duty by proper authority; or
5. be the child of a member of the armed forces of the United States, including the state military forces or a reserved component of the armed forces, who was injured or killed while serving on active duty; or
6. have ever been in the conservatorship (foster care) of the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) following an adversary hearing.

**PARENTS MUST BRING:**

- Certified Birth Certificate
- Updated Immunization Records
- Social Security Card
- Proof of Income (for the past 12 months)

It is critical that everyone in the Tahoka ISD come to the pre-registration or call the Elementary Office at 561-4350 or Mrs. Bennie Nance at 998-4123. Games and fun activities will be provided for the children while parents register.

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