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Lady Bulldogs win co-champion district title

Tahoka's Lady Bulldogs are District Co-Champions, tying with Smyer with 9-1 district records in basketball. Tahoka will play Smyer for seeding in the playoffs, at 8 p.m. at Roosevelt Friday night.

Bi-district games are set for Feb.15-16 for 1A Division 1 girls, with Tahoka's game to be determined after the seeding match.

What's happening?

Thursday, Feb. 11 "Our School, Our Town" art show, 6-7 pm at Tahoka High School LRC (library)

Friday, Feb. 12 Tahoka Lady Bulldogs play Smyer for seeding rights in playoffs, 8 pm at Roosevelt High School

Saturday, Feb. 13 "Big Bad" Dinner Theatre, 7 pm at The Center for Housing and Community

Feb. 16-26 Early Voting underway for March 2 Primary Elections

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Suzanne Baker, **Donnis Scott and** Shea Askew are

pretty in pink as the three little pigs in the upcoming **Rotary Club dinner** theatre production, "Big Bad," which will be presented Saturday, Feb. 13.



few tickets are still available from any Rotary Club member, at \$25 per person, but must be purchased before the event as tickets will not be available at the door that night.

City officials begin discussions to replace Tahoka water system

by JUANELL JONES

For decades, the City of Tahoka has patched, re-patched, replaced sections, and just generally applied a big band aid to the aging city water line system underneath the streets of Tahoka, but the system is in dire need of a complete renovation. Tahoka city officials began serious discussions at Monday's City Council meeting to take a look at just how much money is going to be needed to do the job right, and possible funding resources for completely

DANNY MARTIN

seeks Pct. 4 seat

Danny Martin announces his bid

for Lynn County Precinct 4 Commis-

sioner. He has filed on the Republican

ticket for the March 2 Primary elec-

been residents of Lynn County since

2002. Martin managed the local irri-

gation dealership north of Tahoka for

14 years, until October of 2009. He has since started his own business, Martin

Irrigation Co., and continues to serve

Lynn County and area residents with

their irrigation needs. He is also owner

of a cow-calf operation in Lynn Coun-

tion business and serving the needs of

"In 24 years of being in the irriga-

Martin and his wife, Doris, have

Danny Martin

replacing the ancient water line system

Matt Hopper with the city's engineering firm, Oller Engineering, estimated that such a project would cost the city \$1.2-\$1.4 million. The project would involve replacing approximately 75% of the city's water system, because a portion of the system has actually been replaced in the past few years with TCDBG grant projects.

"We are looking at different areas of funding, and hoping that a big chunk of the money could come from grants," City Administrator Jerry Webster explained to The News. "We are trying to look at the most cost effective plan to get the job done, but the project would include new water lines and new fire

(See WATER SYSTEM, page 12)

not only the farmers and ranchers, I have also worked with municipal waste water projects, public golf courses and parks, as well as residential irrigation systems. While doing these projects I have worked with state and local government agencies. The majority of my work is agriculture-related irrigation, and I drive between 50-60,000 miles a year, with a large amount of this on our county roads. I see first-hand the maintenance problems our roads incur and the problems our rural residents have to deal with due to wet weather. Also, with the growth of developments we are experiencing in the northern part of Precinct 4, the problem areas in the road system need major attention to try and solve the continuous expense

of fixing the same areas over and over. "I have gained the experience and knowledge of operating a business and serving the public that I can apply to the position of commissioner. From purchasing heavy equipment, to maintaining and operating the equipment, I believe I can do a good job serving the citizens of Lynn County. I will appreciate your vote and the opportunity to serve you." (PAID POL. ANNOUNCEMENT)

Masked man fights teen in home invasion

A 16-year-old male came to blows with a masked man when he heard the man enter his home in northern Lynn County Tuesday afternoon. He and two younger siblings, both elementary age children, were home alone at the time of the home invasion, with their parents still at work.

Sheriff's officers and an ambulance were called to a home north of New Home, about a mile south of the Lynn/Lubbock county line, at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday. According to Sheriff Jerry D. Franklin, the 16-year-old was elsewhere in the home when he heard a noise in the living room. Upon entering the room, he discovered a man wearing a gray ski mask, black leather jacket and gray sweat pants. He approached the man and the two fought briefly, before the man turned and ran off. The teen told sheriff's officers he thought the suspect had a gun at the time of the altercation.

Lynn County EMS was called to the scene to check out the teen, but he was apparently unharmed and was not transported to medical facilities.

It is believed the suspect was driving a white Chevrolet pickup and was reportedly last seen driving west on County Road 2. Lynn County deputies called Lubbock County law officers to watch for the vehicle, but no arrests had been made as of Wednesday morning.

Anyone with information on the home invasion is asked to contact Lynn County Sheriff's Office at 806-561-4505.

"This is Lynn County's first report of a home invasion, and it is very disturbing," Franklin told The News. "If anyone has any information to assist in this case, please contact the Sheriff's Office," he added.

A Tahoka woman reported to police that her purse had been stolen out of her pickup Sunday. The victim, Guadalupe Vargas, said her main concern was loss of some keys inside the black purse.

Sheriff Franklin told The News that the investigation has been closed in a case involving the shooting death of Billy Tom Tomlinson, with the cause of death officially ruled accidental. Tomlinson, 68, was found dead of a gunshot wound at his farm east of Tahoka on Dec. 22.

Only two persons were jailed in Lynn County during the last week, one for public intoxication and one for littering plus public intoxication. This left the total jail population at 40, with 13 of those held for Lubbock and one for Garza County.

REPUBLICAN AND DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY ELECTIONS

LynnyCounty Office	REPUBLICAN	DEMOCRAT
County Judge		H.G. Franklin
County Treasurer	Pam Miller	,
County Clerk		Susan Tipton
District Clerk		Sandra Laws
Justice of Peace, Pct. 1	Nancy Guilliams	Dana McKay
Justice of Peace, Pct. 4	19	Ed Follis Jr.
County Commissioner, Pct. 2	(1)	Mike Braddock Rooster Swartz
County Commissioner, Pct. 4	Brad Hammonds Toby Taylor Danny Martin	Wendell Morrow

See more election information inside:

 Republican Primary Party Referendum Ballot Propositions - page 12 Not sure what precinct you're in? Check your Voter Registration Card - page 12

Early voting begins Tuesday for Primaries

Early voting will be conducted at the Lynn County Courthouse basement courtroom, Feb. 16-26 for voting in the Republican or Democratic Primary elections. Voters must choose which primary election in which they wish to vote, Republican or Democratic, and may vote in only one primary election. Election officials request that voters please bring their voter registra-

There are five propositions on the Republican ballot for voters to consider, and no propositions on the Democratic ballot. Prop. 1 regards valid photo identification to vote in the state of Texas; Prop. 2 is about controlling government growth; Prop. 3 addresses cutting federal income taxes; Prop. 4 is about public acknowledgement of God; and Prop. 5 is about requiring sonograms prior to abortions; (see exact wording of all five propositions in accompanying article). If these propositions pass in the Republican Primary, they will be placed on the Nov. 2 General Election ballot for all voters to

Locally, there are candidates for county offices in both primaries. The Pct. 2 Commissioner race is the only

locally contested race whose winner will be determined in the Democratic Primary, with two Democratic candidates facing off against each other, and no Republican candidates. And in the Pct. 4 Commissioner race, three candidates will face each other in the Republican Primary, but the lone Democratic challenger is uncontested in the Democratic Primary. Several local candidates are unchallenged in their bids for re-election.

There are seven candidates for Texas Governor on the Democratic Primary ballot, and three candidates, including incumbent Rick Perry, on the Republican Primary ballot. In the State Representative, District 85 race, incumbent Joe Heflin is unchallenged on the Democratic ticket, but two challengers face off on the Republican ballot for a chance to face Heflin in the Nov. 2 election. District Judge Carter T. Schildknecht, 106th Judicial District, is unchallenged in her bid for re-election. She is running on the Republican ticket. The 106th Judicial District includes Lynn, Garza, Dawson and Gaines counties.

Winners of the primaries will face off in the Nov. 2 General Election.



All-State band member... Hannah Thomas, a sophomore member of the Tahoka 3-D Band, pictured here with director Carroll Rhodes, practices for her performance in the ATSSB All-State Band this week at the TMEA Convention in San Antonio. She is the daughter of Tom and Janis Thomas of Tahoka.

All-State band member Hannah Thomas to perform Saturday in San Antonio

Happy Birthday to Valentine "Tina" Rodriguez

Hannah Thomas, a sophomore member of the Tahoka 3-D Band, will be participating in the ATSSB All-State Band this week at the TMEA Convention in San Antonio, the world's largest music convention. She earned the right to be a member of the ATSSB All-State Band by qualifying for the ATSSB Region 16 Honor Band and Area Band, where she combeted against five other people from four Regions for first chair, since only one alto clarinet from each Area can advance to State. This she did, beating out not only some seniors, but the one who beat her at Honor Band. Hannah is the daughter of Tom

and Janis Thomas.

ATSSB (Association of Texas Small School Bands) includes students from 1A to 3A schools. Of the students who comprise the ATSSB All-State Band, depending upon the year, approximately 80-85 percent are 3A students with 7-10 percent being 2A and 5 percent being 1A. Tahoka has placed a total of six students for a total of eight years in the ATSSB All-State Band. Hannah is the sixth student and the first one in four

· "We are quite proud of Hannah and her outstanding accomplishment. It speaks well of her hard work and dedication.

on Sunday,

Feb. 14th

The staff at

Tahoka Elementary

would like to

wish her a

Happy 60th

Valentine

Birthday!

THS recognized for yearbook excellence

The Tahoka High School yearbook staff has been recognized by Taylor Publishing with an Honorable Mention Certificate of Recognition for its dedication, effort and accomplish ments. The Tahoka High School yearbook is included in the 2010 Yearbook Yearbook. The THS yearbook advisor is Rachel Lehman.

THS staff members include Jynna Askew, editor, and veteran staff members Kadi Larpenter, 3 years; 2 year members Skyler McCleskey, Brittany Garcia, Kalee Wuensche, and newcomers Seth Hawthorne, Alex Webster, Matt Taylor, and Kaitlyn Reno.

This is our second year in a row to be in the Yearbook Yearbook," Rachel Lehman said. "I am really proud of the students. It is their yearbook and their hard work shows."

"Taylor Publishing proudly honors the best of the best in Yearbook Yearbook, and journalists across the nation will appreciate your stellar work as they make plans for their 2011 book," said editor Marilyn Scoggins, with Taylor Publish-

Yearbooks published by Taylor for the 2009 school year were evaluated in one or more of the following areas: cover design, theme development, layout design, photo content and secondary packages. Taylor Publishing names only the top 15 percent of yearbook staffs with Honorable Mention recogni-

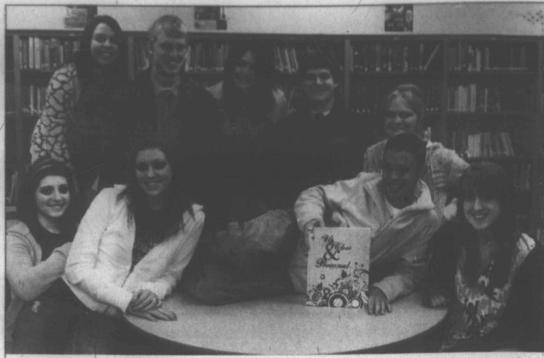
The All-State Band will be an experience she will treasure for a lifetime," stated directors Carroll Rhodes and Johnathan Smith.

She will travel to San Antonio Wednesday where she will audition once again for placement in either the Symphonic or Concert State Band. Thursday and Friday will be spent in rehearsals, with brief moments of time to tour the largest collection of music exhibits and accessories in the world. On Saturday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. in the Texas Ballroom of the Grand Hyatt Hotel in San Antonio, the ATSSB Concert and Symphonic, All-State Bands will perform, both led by worldclass conductors.



Pleasant Grove will be open Sunday, February 14. Call in orders at 561-1019.

PANGBURNS TORITMANA Available at Tahoka Drug 1610 Main 561-4041



Excellent yearbook ... The Tahoka High School yearbook was awarded Honorable Mention for Excellence by Taylor Publishing. The THS staff includes, standing from left, Brittany Garcia, Seth Hawthorne, Skyler McCleskey, Matt Taylor, and Jynna Askew, and in front, Kaitlyn Reno, Kalee Wuensche, Alex Webster, and Kadi Larpenter.



Harley Jose Quintero

Jose Quintero and Connie Riojas announce the birth of their son, Harley Jose Quintero, born January 27, 2010 at 12:46 p.m. at Covenant Lakeside Hospital in Lubbock. He weighed 6 lbs and 4 oz and was 19 inches

Grandparents are Lupe and Sylvia Riojas, Eloisa Quintero and Manuel Quintero, Sr., all of

Obituary Notices -- POLICY --

There is no charge for obituary notices, subject to editing. If you wish the obituary to read exactly as sent, there is a \$35 fee. Photos may be included at no additional charge. The Lynn County News will publish obituaries with any connection to Lynn County. Information may be sent to The Lynn County News, P.O. Box 1170, Tahoka, TX 79373. faxed to 806/561-6308, or e-mail: LynnCoNews@poka.com.



Heart Health

This week we will continue on our subject of American Heart Health Month. Today we will concentrate on the warning signs of heart attacks, strokes and cardiac arrests.

First, if you have any of these signs call 9-1-1 right away as every second counts.

Heart Attack Signs:

· Chest discomfort. Discomfort from the center of the chest that lasts more than a few minutes, or goes away and comes back. It may feel different for each person. An uncomfortable pressure, squeezing, fullness or

· Discomfort in other areas of the upper body. In one or both arms, the back, neck, jaw or stomach.

· Shortness of breath. With or without chest discomfort.

· Other signs may include breaking out in a cold sweat, nausea or lightheadedness.

Women are more likely to experience some of the other common signs such as shortness of breath nausea/vomiting, and back or jaw pain along with the chest pains.

Stroke Warning Signs: Sudden numbness or weakness

of the face, arm, or leg, espe-

cially on one side of the body. Sudden confusion, trouble speaking or understanding

· Sudden trouble seeing in one or both eyes · Sudden trouble walking, diz-

ziness, loss of balance or coordination · Sudden, severe headache with

no known cause It is very important for treat-

ment to know the exact time the

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symptoms started so make note of this. There is a drug that can reduce long-term disability if given within 3 hours of the start of symptoms.

Cardiac Arrest Signs: Sudden loss of responsive-

ness (no response to tapping on shoulders) · No normal breathing (the

victim does not take normal breaths) Cardiac arrest strikes im-

mediately and without warning. If you are present tell someone to call 911 and get an AED (if available) and begin CPR (carresuscitation) diopulmonary immediately.

For more information on CPR classes in our area contact Jeanie Stone, EMS Director at the Lynn County Hospital District at 998-4533.

An AED is an Automated External Defibrillator. Not just medical facilities have these items. Most public schools, public buildings and larger business have these devices on premises. In the CPR class you will learn how to use an AED.

Learn these signs. Cut out this article and tape it to the inside of a kitchen çabinet. And please remember the even if you're not sure it's a heart attack or stroke, get it checked out.

MINUTES MATTER Don't wait more than five minutes to call 9-1-1.

(All information taken from the American Heart Association website.)



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Rosary for Maria Gomez; 71, of Tahoka was held at 7:00 p.m. Feb. 3 at Calvillo Funeral Home Chapel-Tahoka. Mass was celebrated on Friday, Feb. 5 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Jude Catholic Church with Father Edward Teo officiating. Cremation followed under the direction of Calvillo Funeral Home. She died on Wednesday February 3, 2010 in Lubbock.

She was born on April 23; 1938 in Clova, Coahuila Mexico to the late Pedro Diaz and Amada Gonzales. She married Rafael Gomez in 1972 in Tahoka. She had owned and operated The Bulldog Room for many years before retiring. She was a member of St. Jude Catholic

Survivors include her husband Rafael Gomez of Tahoka; one son, Deacon Francisco and wife Elva Aguilar of Tahoka; one sister, Gregoria Diaz of Salamanca Guanajuato Mexico; one nephew, Jose Luis Lopez of Lampasos Nuevo Leon, Mexico; four grandchildren and two great grandchildren.





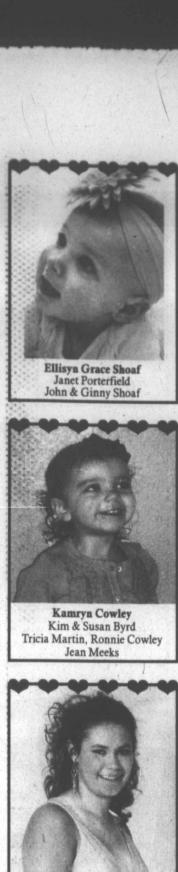
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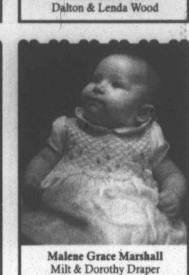
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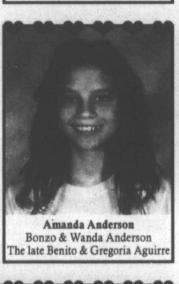


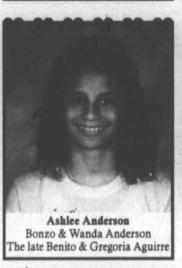
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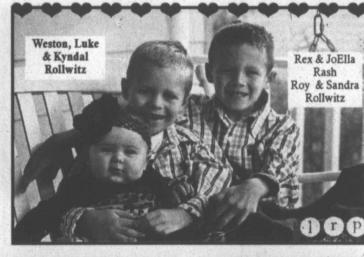
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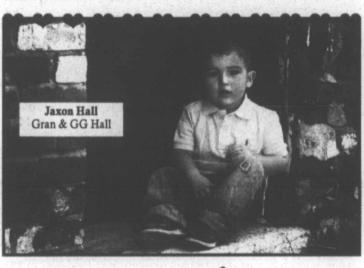






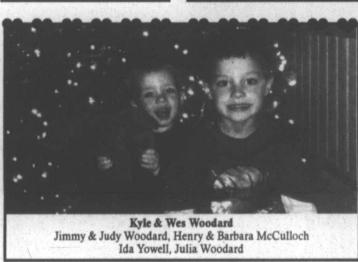


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Maurice & Loretta Hastey





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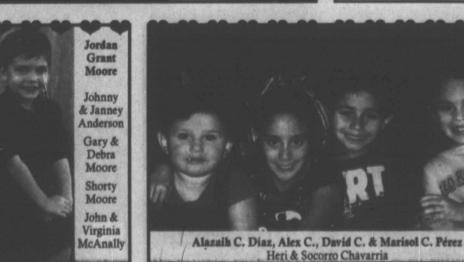






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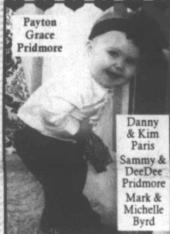


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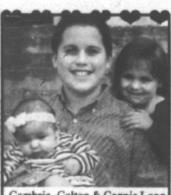






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Happy Valentines Day to all these cuties!



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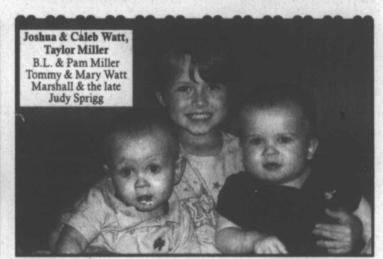
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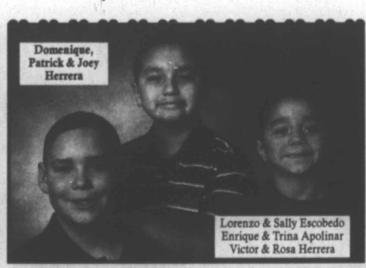
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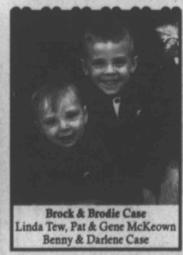
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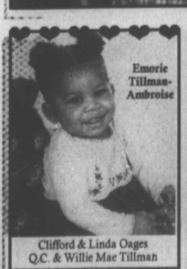








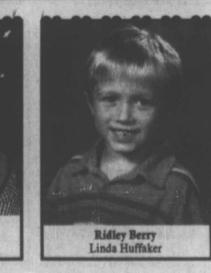










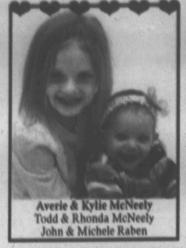


















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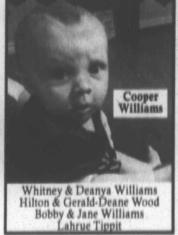




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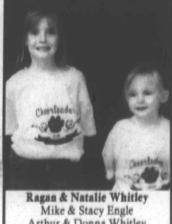
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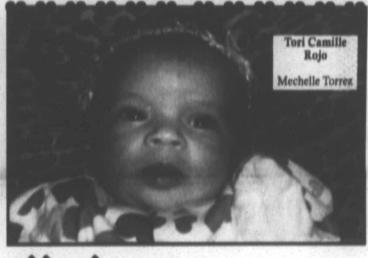
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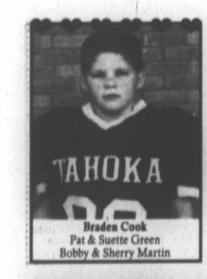


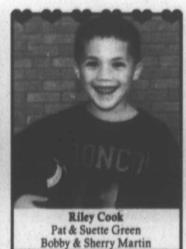
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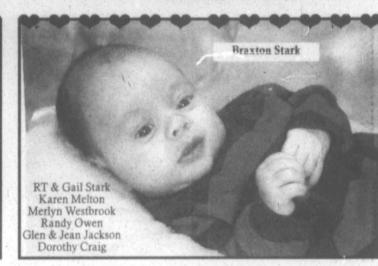
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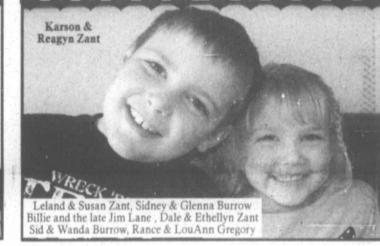


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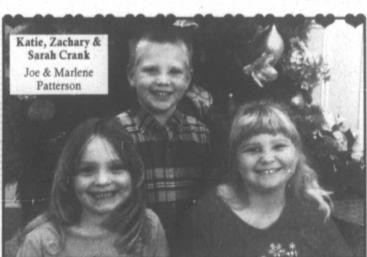








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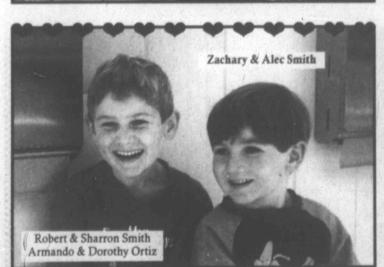






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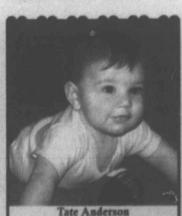
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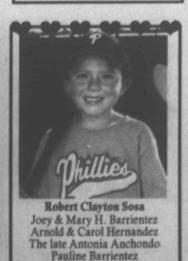






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Candidates sought for city, school, hospital elections

The filing period for candidates interested in filing for positions on local city, school and hospital boards opened Feb. 6 and continues through March 8, at the respective business offices of each entity.

As of Tuesday morning, four candidates have filed for three elections. Tony Garcia filed for re-election as District 5 trustee on the Tahoka ISD Board; Donald Klaus filed for re-election as Mayor of Wilson; and in the O'Donnell city election, Mayor James Williams filed for reelection, and Max Mendieta has filed for a seat on the city council.

Following is a list of elections and the names of those whose terms are expiring.

City of Tahoka: 3 council members, single-member districts, 2-year terms. Terms expiring: Dist. 2-Clara Calvillo. Dist. 4-Jeff Martin, Dist. 5 (At-Large)-Ray Don Box.

Tahoka ISD: 3 trustees, 3-year terms. Terms expiring: Dist. 1-Kent Kahl, Dist. 2-Joe Calvillo, Dist. 5-Tony Garcia.

City of Wilson: Mayor and 2 council seats, 2-year terms. Terms expiring: Mayor-Donald Klaus; Council-Oscar Follis and Doris Behrend.

Wilson ISD: 3 trustees, 3-year terms. Terms expiring: Israel Ramirez, Janie Rios, Casey Donald.

City of O'Donnell: Mayor and 2 council seats, 2-year terms. Terms, expiring: Mayor-James Williams; Council - Rex Little and Scotty Martinez.

O'Donnell ISD: 3 trustees. 3-year terms, Terms expiring Cody Furlow, Liz Luera, Mark City of New Home: 3 coun-

cil seats, 2-year terms. Terms expiring: Alan Nettles, Gene Link, and an open seat.

New Home ISD: Elections held in November.

Lynn County Hospital District: 2 directors, 3-year terms. Terms expiring: Dalton Wood, Virginia Griffing.

LETTER to the EDITOR

Why is hospital board waiting on wind energy request?

I read with amazement, the Hospital Board's decision to table Wind Tex Energy's request for tax abatement. The Board is running out of time to get this contract signed. The Stimulus funds are only awarded if the project is started before the end of 2010. If the Lynn County Hospital Board keeps tabling this decision, the owners of Wind Tex might go elsewhere. Another energy company moved one project because of a tax entity's refusal to give them a reasonable contract.

For those of you who are unaware, this is a multi-million dollar project to harness the energy from wind to make electricity. Unlike gas and oil, the wind will always be available and plentiful as well as a green energy project.

Unlike the board, I have a vested interest in this project. My family will profit from this project as will many Lynn County landowners. If you will check the tax rolls, you will see that landowners keep this county in business. Also, I ask that the citizens of Lynn County do their own research as to why there has been a refusal to move on this contract. The county



Jacen Michael Calvillo Joe & Clara Calvillo

will profit because the landowners who have the windmills will pay more taxes. The employees from this project will buy groceries, fuel, clothes and many other items from the businesses of Lynn County. How could this not be a good thing?

Lynn County Hospital District will be electing two candidates this year. I believe we need to find out how each candidate stands on a decision to bring more wealth into this county for everybody.

> Lana Garner Daniell Lynn County Resident

'Our School, Our Town' art show is Feb. 11

The Tahoka High School Kennel yearbook staff will feature their photos in an art show today (Thursday, Feb. 11) in the high school LRC. The community is invited to browse the displays and visit with the student artists from 6 to 6:15 p.m. All photos will be available for purchase from 6:15 until 7 p.m. or until all photos are sold.

The Kennel art show, "Our School, Our Town," features more than 30 original 8x10 matted and framed photos from the school, Tahoka, and Lynn County.

"We are asking for a \$20 donation for each 8x10 framed print," Mrs. Lehman said. "We will also be glad to order additional prints for anyone who would like to order a photo that is purchased."

Attendees will also be able to view the 20 framed photo posters that will decorate the school. Kennel staff members took the photos that were made into posters.

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Watching you ... Tahoka's Xavier Zamarron keeps pace with a Cowboy in a big Bulldog win over Plains on Friday, with the Dogs edging by the Cowboys 48-47 for a chance to get in the playoffs. The boys played Sundown Tuesday night, and will face Smyer in their final district game on Friday. The other Tahoka player here is Ridge Hall (#12), who led scoring in the Plains game with 24 points. (LCN PHOTO by Tina Wuensche)

TAHOKA SCHOOL NEWS

7th Grade Girls "B" team By: Skyler McCleskey

Tahoka 7th grade girls lost to Sundown 41-5. Scoring for the Bulldogs were Laura Henderson with four points and Lauren Raindl with one point. The 7th grade finished their season 0-8

7th Grade Girls By: Skyler McCleskey

Lady Bulldogs were defeated by the Sundown Roughnecks 35-16. Putting point on the boards were Micaela Torres with four points, Megan Alvarado with three points, Amanda Hill and Ashlee Anderson both with two points, and Shelbee Forsythe, Alyssa Pesina and Charlie Duran all with one point each. They ended their season 3-14.

8th Grade Girls

By: Skyler McCleskey

The 8th grade girls ended their season with a 41-13 loss to Sundown Monday.

Kirstin Stice led points with five. Adding to the total were Madison Lockaby with three, Kaitlyn Lehman and Nicole Taylor both with two and McKenzie Dimak with

The Lady Bulldogs ended the season with a 5-14 record.

7th Grade Boys

On Monday, February 8, the 7th Grade boys lost to the Sundown Bulldogs included Roman Parmer with 9, Jeremy Medrano with 7, and Dane Rivas with 2.

8th Grade Boys

The 8th Grade boys traveled to Sundown and brought home a win

with a final score of 52-25. Scorers for the Bulldogs included Keyshawn Liggins with 13, Ray Parmer with 12. Ke'Shawn Hood with 8, Kordell Baker with 6, Alex Rodriguez with 5, and Isiah Saldana and A.J. Rohlfs chipped in 4,

JV Girls on Winning Steak By: Kaitlyn Reno

The JV girls played Whiteface on Feb. 2 and won 24-23. Hannah Thomas and Taya Bishop tied for top sorcerers with eight points each. Ariana Monsivais was the next top scorer with six points.

They played Plains on Friday, Feb. 5, winning 30-10. Sarah Freitag was top scorer with nine points. Bishop was second top scorer with 7 points.

JV Boys Basketball By: Jynna Askew

The JV Boys Basketball team played the Plains Cowboys on February 5th. The Dogs lost against the Cowboys. The final score was 58-

Top scorers for the Bulldogs were Tino DeLeon with 10 points, Josh Miller and Logan Tekell both with eight points.

Varsity Girls Win Two By Kalee Wuensche

The Tahoka Varisty girls defeated Plains 51-35, Feb. 5. The top scorers were Kyra Helm with 3 points and Brittney Liggins with 12

The Lady Bulldogs also beat Whiteface 60-40, Feb. 2. Helm led scoring with 24 points following. Kalee Wuensche and Meghann Rivas added 8 each.

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This is Tahoka Rotary Club's Annual Scholarship Banquet ... all proceeds benefit local high school seniors.

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JOHN HUFFAKER

John Huffaker honored by TTU School of Law

John Huffaker of Amarillo was honored by the Texas Tech School of Law on Friday, Feb. 5 at the Sixth Annual Law School Gala and Distinguished Awards Dinner at the Frazier Pavilion. Huffaker, a former Tahokan, was one of three presented the Distinguished Alumni Award, given in recognition of service to the bench, the bar and the public.

Huffaker, Mark Griffin and Roger Key were presented with the Distinguished Service Award, which is given annually in recognition of outstanding service to the Texas Tech University School of Law.

John Huffaker was raised in Tahoka, and is the brother of Wayne Huffaker and the late Gerald Huffaker of Tahoka. A TTU Law School graduate of the class

Master of Tahoka Lodge.

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Classes available in Tahoka

to learn to manage Diabetes

cost. The program will be Tuesday evenings, February 23, March 2

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of 1974, Huffaker is a shareholder

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gents in February 2009, Huffaker

currently is a member of the Audit

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Amarillo College Board of Regents

and was the founding president of

the Amarillo Education Founda-

tion. Huffaker served on the Texas

Tech Law School Foundation Board

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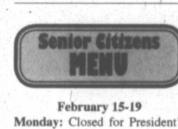
Learn more about options in the class. Call Amy Baugh at 561-4562 for more information.

Cotton production workshop set here

Area cotton growers are invited to attend a Cotton Production Workshop on Monday, Feb. 22 sponsored by Texas AgriLife Extension Service in Lynn County. The meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. with registration, at The Center for Housing and Community Development (1400 Ave. K, Taho-

Topics will include a review of cotton variety trials, new technologies for 2010, management of verticillium and fusarium with cotton variety selection and deep sampling for soil fertility

Cost to attend is \$10 per person. Lunch will be provided. Pesticide license holders will receive 3 CEU's (1-IPM, 1 general). For more information contact Bryan Reynolds, Texas AgriLife Extension Service, Lynn County, at 806/561-4562



Tuesday: Steak Fingers, white gravy, French fries, carrots, peaches & bananas

noodles soup, salad, cracker asst,

Friday: Hamburgers, trimmings, macaroni salad, chips, cookies



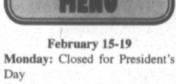
February 15-19 Breakfast Monday: Cinnamon roll

Tuesday: Burritos Wednesday: Biscuit, sausage

Thursday: Oatmeal & toast Friday: Canada bacon, toast, yogurt & bananas

LUNCH Monday: Hamburgers trimmings, tots, carrots w/ ranch, chocolate pudding

Tuesday: Burrito, Spanish rice, salad, fruit, cookies Wednesday: Golden fish, mac & cheese, salad, pears, Texas Toast Thursday: Carne guisada, rice, refried beans, flour tortillas, fruit Friday: Hoagies, trimmings, carrots w/ ranch



Wednesday: Homemade chicken

Thursday: BBQ Chicken, pasta

ers met in regular session Monday morning at the Lynn County Courthouse to consider several agenda items, including a request from Tahoka Volunteer Fire Department for funding assistance to purchase a used air compressor. Fire Chief Steve Sanders present-

No burning allowed within city limits

ed the request, explaining that he

plans to also approach city officials

in Tahoka, O'Donnell and Wilson

Lynn County Commission-

Tahoka Fire Chief Steve Sanders this week reminds Tahoka citizens that burning of grass, trash, or other property within the city limits is prohibited by law, even though the county burn ban has been lift-

"There are restrictions within the city limits that are in place to protect citizens and their property," Sanders explained. "By law, no burning is allowed inside city limits at any time. The county burn ban is for rural property located outside of the city," he added.

Tahoka

February 15-19 Breakfast Monday: Ham & Cheese pocket (MS & HS)

Tuesday: Pizza bagel Wednesday: Cinnamon rolls Thursday: Breakfast pizza Friday: Breakfast Burrito (MS &

LUNCH Monday: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, hot roll, strawberry short

Tuesday: Meat & Bean chalupas, Spanish rice, salad, applesauce Wednesday: Sub sandwich, tots, carrots w/ ranch, brownie Thursday: Pizza, corn, salad,

Friday: Hot ham & cheese sandwich, baked chips, carrots w/

ranch, fruit

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to share in the cost, since the compressor would be shared with all three fire departments.

"The air compressor we were using to fill the air packs (the personal oxygen tanks each firefighter wears when fighting fires inside a building) has quit working," Sanders told The News. "This was a used piece of equipment that we purchased for nearly nothing many years ago, and it was actually made in 1958. The firm who made that particular compressor went out of business in 1968 and parts are no longer available for repairs," he added.

He said the fire department is looking at purchasing another used, but newer, air compressor to fill the air tanks of all the fire departments in the county who use them, which includes Tahoka, Wilson and O'Donnell. Currently, each fire department is accessing resources of other fire departments in the South Plains area to refill their tanks, but due to liability issues and possible logistical/safety issues if the tanks must be refilled quickly, the Tahoka VFD would like to purchase an air compressor to once again have onsite availability. Cost estimates were not yet available, as the department is still investigating the possible purchase.

County commissioners voted unanimously to approve the county's portion of purchasing the air compressor.

In other business, commissioners met with Ricky Nieman to consider accepting excess recycled

South Plains Assn. of SWCDS to meet

The South Plains Association of Soil and water Conservation Districts (SPASWCDS) will meet Feb. 17, beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the PYCO Industries located at 2901 Ave. A in Lubbock.

The featured program speaker is Sam Sacco, General Manager of the Levelland-Hockley County Ethanol Plant.

Speakers during the business session will update SWCD directors on state and national soil and water conservation programs and

Twenty-four soil and water conservation districts in the South Plains region of the state are members of the SPASWCDS. Counties' which the SWCDS serve include

for purchasing air compressor asphalt products material from Tx-DOT for roads in Precincts 2 and 4, which was approved. This material will be equally shared between the

two precincts. Ann Krier, Rick Sherwood, J.R. Brady and Linda Brady met with the court, explaining their concerns about County Road 1, located in commissioner precinct 4. According to the minutes of the meeting, they expressed their frustrations over the condition of the road. Commissioner Brad Hammonds responded by explaining the problems with the road and expressing plans for upgrading the road in the

Sheriff Jerry D. Franklin gave a report on the jail and Sheriff's Office, informing commissioners he planned to install a video camera system in the jail. He said a grant has been approved for the system that would reimburse the Sheriff's office for any expenditures incurred with installing the system. Commissioners expressed approval with the stipulation that the funds were available in the Sheriff's budget.





Daniela Cruz, and manager Jasmine Placencia.

New Home Jr. High District Champions ... The Jr. High Lady Leopards,

led by coach Mark Wilson, had a perfect 10-0 record to claim the District Championship

title, including Monday night's hard fought 25-18 win over Southland when Jesse Terry and

Merritt Mitchell each had 10 points for the Leopards. The team includes, standing from

left, manager Chelsi Rodriguez, Paige Ford, McKenzie English, Lexi Torres, Merritt Mitchell,

Alexis Meza, Jesse Terry, Brianna Laseman, and Coach Wilson; and in front, Kaylan Lehman,

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... Tahoka's Lady Bulldogs racked up their final district win Tuesday night, with a 43-16 win over Sundown for a 9-1 district record. In this photo, Stormee Martin (3), Kyra Helm (31) and Kalee Wuensche (42) keep their eyes on the ball, and Brittney Liggins is coming into the picture at right. (LCN PHOTO by Abraham Vega)



District Deputy visits ... Blake Cate of Anton

(center), newly elected District Deputy of 94, visited Tahoka

Masonic Lodge #1041 at their last meeting. Pictured with Cate are Ed Follis (left), Past District Deputy, and Tom Lusk,

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The drawing will be announced on Sunday, Valentine's Day, good luck! Notice: Our St. Jude's annual Jamaica is scheduled for July 11, 2010.

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New Home Sports News

Tuesday, February 2, the Lady Leopards of New Home secured a win, 40-39 in overtime against the Lady Mustangs of Wilson, Freshman, Maranda Hymes tossed in 14 point, brought down 10 rebounds and 2 steals. Sophomore, Naomi Nevarez helped out the ladies with 11 points. The Lady Leopards are now 4-4 in the district.

Also on Tuesdayl the New Home Leopard boys locked in second place in district with a win over Wilson, 51-26. Senior, Josh Correa sank 17 points and brought down 10 rebounds for the Leopards. Senior, Kris Silva tossed in 12 points and 5 steals along with Sophomore, Zach West's 12 points for the Leop-

On Friday, February 5 the Lady Leopards struggled against the Wellman-Union Wildcats with a loss, 28-48. Despite the loss, sophomore Naomi Nevarez scored 13 points, had 4 rebounds and 6 steals and freshman Maranda Hymes chipped in 6 points for the ladies. The Lady Leopards are 4-5 in district and they will be tied for 3rd in district if they come up with a win against Southland on Tuesday, February 9.

Also, on Friday, the New Home boys came up short against Wellman-Union, 48-68.

Senior, Kris Silva had a game high of 22 points.

The New Home JV boys also fell short to Wellman-Union, 13-29. Freshman, Zach Paul came up with 9 points for the Leopards.

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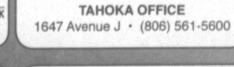
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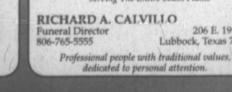
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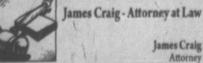




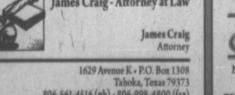








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Brittney's ball ... Brittney Liggins takes the ball for the Lady Bulldogs in Friday's win over Plains, 51-35. Two Tahoka players scored all but 6 points in the game, with Kyra Helm (#31) scoring 33 points and Liggins adding 12. (LCN PHOTO by Tina Wuensche)

4B Sales Tax to be collected starting May 1

Collection of the half-cent 4B Sales Tax in the City of Tahoka is expected to begin May 1, 2010, according to information from city officials this week. The Lynn County News staff has had several calls from local business owners asking when the additional half-cent sales tax should be collected, and word is that the State Comptroller's office will send appropriate notification to businesses beginning April 1 to let them know when to begin collecting the tax.

The 4B Sales Tax proposition was approved by a vote of 261-36 in last November's city election. Currently at 7-3/4%, the new sales tax will be set at

8-1/4%, which is the maximum amount allowed by law, and it will be the same as sales tax in Lubbock and many other cities. Collection of the new half-cent sales tax, however, will not begin/until May of 2010, and it is anticipated that funds for economic development for the city of Tahoka will first become available in June as funds are released by the comptroller's office on a monthly basis.

The Tahoka Economic Development Board (originally designated as the 4B Sales Tax steering committee) will decide how the funds should be used for economic development, following stringent state guidelines

as to which types of projects the sales tax funds may be allocated. Suggested projects include city cleanup, removing hazardous buildings, enticement of new businesses, a youth center, renovating the city swimming pool, new and renovated parks and other similar projects that meet economic development guidelines.

Members of the Economic Development Board include Vernon Baker, Julia Allen, Tommy Botkin, Gloria Deleon, Roger Locke Jr., Roosevelt Moore, and Dee Dee Pridmore. The board will present project ideas to the Tahoka City Council for approval.



Young singers ... These young Catholic children treated parishioners to a choir hymn presentation at the conclusion at a recent church mass at St. Jude's Catholic Church in Tahoka. They are, from left, Lexi Saldana, Marisol Perez, Maribel Garcia, David Perez, Rogelio Garcia, Trenton Anderson, and Yula Tamamao.

Republican Primary Party Referendum **Ballot Propositions**

(These propositions are ONLY on the Republican Primary ballot; if voters approve them, they will be on the Nov. 2 General Election ballot for consideration)

Ballot Proposition #1: Photo ID

The Texas legislature should make it a priority to protect the integrity of our election process by enacting legislation that requires voters to provide valid photo identification in order to cast a ballot in any and all elections conducted in the State of

Ballot Proposition #2: Controlling Government Growth Every government body in Texas should be required to limit any annual increase in its budget and spending to the combined increase of population and inflation unless it first gets voter approval to exceed the allowed annual growth or in the case of an official emergency.

Ballot Proposition #3: Cutting Federal Income Taxes In addition to aggressively eliminating irresponsible federal spending, Congress should empower American citizens to stimulate the economy by Congress cutting federal income taxes for all federal taxpayers, rather than spending hundreds of billions of dollars on so-called "federal economic stimulus".

Ballot Proposition #4: Public Acknowledgement of God The use of the word "God", prayers, and the Ten Commandments should be allowed at public gatherings and public educational institutions, as well as be permitted on government buildings and property.

Ballot Proposition #5: Sonograms

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More than 12,900 animal welfare organizations in the U.S., Canada, and other countries post their pets on the site. Lynn County Animal Shelter pets may be viewed at the petfinder.com website by entering the 79373 zip code. A potential adopter enters search criteria for the kind of pet he or she wants, and a list is returned that ranks the pets in proximity to the zip code entered. Adoptions are handled by the animal placement group where the pet is housed, and each group has its own policies.

Contact the Lynn County Animal Shelter at 806-561-4056 for more information on adopting animals.

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Benefit set for **Peggy Jolly**

A benefit dinner for Tahoka resident and business owner, Peggy Jolly, is set for Sunday, Feb. 21 at 12:00 noon at the Tahoka Housing Authority, located at 1400 Ave. K. A spaghetti dinner, complete with garlic bread, salad and brownie, will be served. Cost for the meal will be on a donation basis. There will be entertainment and a dessert auction held in conjunction with the dinner. All proceeds are to help Jolly with medical treatment and expenses.

For more information, contact Sandra or Byron Norwood at 998-1288, or Pam Elrod at 535-6784.

Water System ...

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"I know our citizens are frustrated when a water line

breaks, because our current system is all tied together and when there is a break in the line, the entire city system is shut down. A new system would be designed where only certain sections could be affected in case of a break, but in any case a newer system is not going to have as many problems as what we have now," said Webster.

He said that the council and engineers discussed the situation extensively at Monday's meeting, and that he expects to place the issue on next month's meeting agenda to take official action to begin seeking grant funding for the city water proj-

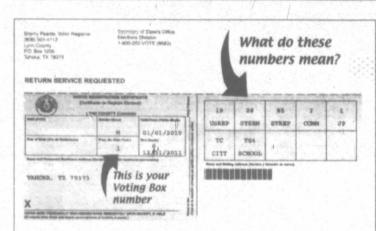
In other business, council members voted to purchase a used hydro-mulcher for use at the city landfill, at a cost of \$10,800. Webster said the purchase would allow the city to save space and extend cell use at the landfill because the mulcher would spray a 1/8-inch cover over the landfill contents, instead of the current 6-inch layer of daily dirt coverage the city now uses. "The mulch system is sprayed on and then dries to a cardboard-type consistency, but it only requires a 1/8-inch cover instead of 6-inches of dirt. Over the long run that should save the city about 20% of cell space at the landfill," he explained.

Joe Hays presented the city audit, noting a clean audit for the city finances, and council members approved the audit as presented. Donna Brooks was appointed election judge, and Rebecca Ingle as alternate judge, for the city's May 8 election. Council members renewed an annual resolution adopting the city's public funds and investment policy with no changes, and monthly bills were approved as presented.

Mayor John Baker led the meeting, with Webster and council members Rudy Fuentes, Amy Preston, Jeff Martin and Ray Box present. Council member Clara Calvillo was absent.



Daisy Troop tea party...Daisy Scout Troop #6457 had fun dressing up for a tea party hosted by their leader and parent volunteers recently, wearing feather boas and hats, and listening to a princess story read by a parent. The Daisles are from O'Donnell, Tahoka and Wilson, pictured from left, Estephanie Magadan, Alexia Saldana, Britlyn Yell, Molly Broun, Kalaya Jackson, Emily Renteria and Bryannah Pedroza. The Daisy Troop is still selling Girl Scout cookies for the next few weekends in Tahoka.



Not sure what precinct you're in? Check your Voter Registration card

With early voting beginning Feb. 16 for the March 2 primary elections, Lynn County voters are urged to check their voter registration certificates to determine which districts/precincts in which they may vote.

Listed on the right-hand side of the card are district or precinct numbers for USREP_(U.S. Representative), STSEN (State Senator), STREP (State Representative), COMM (County Commissioner Precinct), JP (County Justice of Peace Precinct), CITY (City Council Precinct), and SCHOOL (School Trustee Precinct or District).

On the left-hand side of the card is individual voter information, such as name, address and validity dates for the issuance of the voter registration card. In addition, there is a box listing a Prec. No., which is your Voting Box Number in Lynn County.

If confused, call the Lynn County Voter Registrar's office at the Lynn County Courthouse, 561-4112.

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"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, Feb. 12 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, Feb. 27, from 10:00-11:00 a.m. at the Tahoka Trinity Church, 1925 Lockwood. For more information, contact Polly Smullen at 786-5349 or Charlene Williams at 759-4565.

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