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John Horak named WISD Superintendent



JOHN HORAK

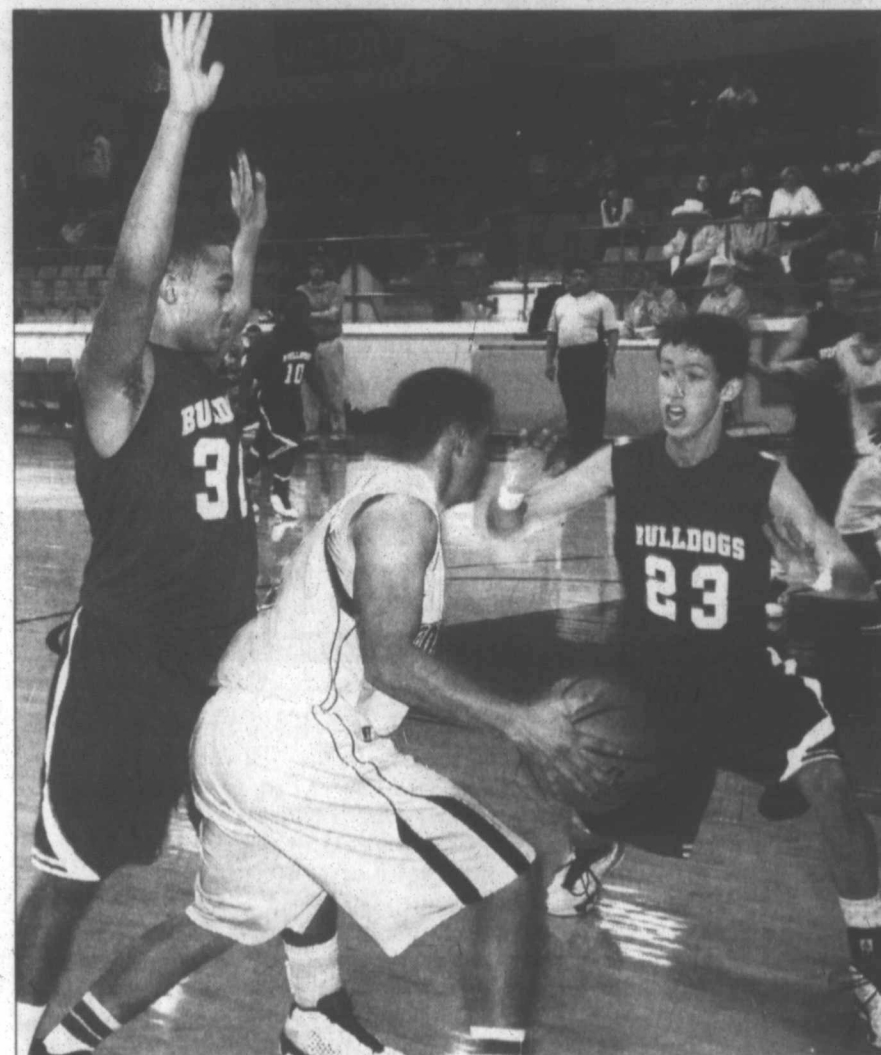
Wilson Independent School District Board of Trustees officially confirmed John Horak as the new Superintendent of Wilson ISD in a unanimous decision at their Dec. 9 meeting. Horak

will begin his duties at WISD on Jan. 3, 2011.

Horak is currently employed at Education Service Center (ESC) 18 in Midland, where he is the Superintendent/Principal Coordinator for school districts within ESC 18. He has held that position since 2008. From 1986-2008, Horak was employed as a teacher and in several principal positions at Monahan ISD. His wife is a certified librarian and elementary teacher, and the couple has three children, all school age.

He will take over duties from Interim Superintendent Byron Shelley, who has been serving the district for the past several months.

Board President Josh Isham led the meeting, with trustees Janie Rios, Clyde Wilke, April Moore, Daniel Clark, Doug Bolyard, and Kathleen Mendez present.



My space ... Blake Turner (23) plays defense against a Coahoma player as Neiko Garcia (30) blocks his escape route in the Bulldogs Consolation win in the Stanton Tournament. (LCN PHOTO BY Tina Wuensche)

DECEMBER EVENTS

- 16 FNB Open House**
First National Bank, Tahoka
10 am-3 pm, live music
FNB Community Room
- 16 "All I Want For Christmas"**
7:30 pm at THS Auditorium
Theatre/Musical performance
\$6 (fundraiser) includes
dessert & apple cider
- 18-19 Drive-Thru Santa's Land**
6:30-10 pm
S. 11th & Ave. O
- 19 "Christmas Kaleidoscope"**
6 pm, First Baptist Church
Adult Choir program
- 20 Senior Citizens Christmas Party**
5 pm, Lynn Co. Pioneers
Center, bring snacks to share
- 22 Open House**
9 am-12 noon
Ashcraft Insurance Agency
1930 Lockwood
- 24 Christmas Eve Services**
6 pm, St. John Lutheran,
Wilson, "There Were Angels"
puppet show
6 pm, First United Methodist,
Tahoka, candlelight service
6 pm, First Baptist, Tahoka
- 24-26 Drive-Thru Santa's Land**
6:30-10 pm
S. 11th & Ave. O
- 25 Christmas Day Worship**
10 am, St. John Lutheran,
Wilson

Lynn County Area BALE COUNT

(reported 12-14-10)

Texas Star Gin, Wilson/Union.....	88,773
New Home Coop, Lakeview.....	60,530
Farmers Coop, O'Donnell.....	38,264
Farmers Coop #1, Tahoka.....	37,422
Wells Coop Gin.....	37,234
Woolam Gin, O'Donnell.....	36,675
Grassland Coop Gin.....	11,633
Close City Gin, Post.....	8,470
TOTAL.....	319,001

2010 cotton harvest winds down as year ends



by BRYAN REYNOLDS
Lynn County Extension Agent
Texas AgriLife Extension Service

As 2010 comes to a close,
so does the cotton crop.

Most all growers in Lynn County have finished harvest and those remaining ones should be completing harvest within the next few days. This crop has been anything but normal. Abundant rainfall, cooler temperatures and then dry, hot weather combined to make it a crop that many will not forget any time soon.

"Many folks have said this has been one of the hardest crops to get completed from start to finish as any in recent memory, when you look at all the weather related events from planting until harvest," said Bryan Reynolds, County Extension Agent with Texas AgriLife Extension Service for Lynn County.

Prospects of a good crop looked very promising back in the spring and up to planting in May with excellent rainfall and moisture from the wet winter and spring rains. Then it started drying out and was drier in the upper soil profile than needed to get the crop off to a good start. Then came the last week of June and the weekend of July 3 and 4 where 10 to 15 inches of rain fell in many areas and waterlogged the soil. There was simply too much water and many fields had standing water anywhere from days to several weeks. Along with the water were the cooler than normal temperatures that slowed growth and affected the overall progress of the crop up to that point. August brought warmer temperatures and less than an inch of rain at the Tahoka and O'Donnell Mesonet weather stations.

"If we could have seen one significant rainfall event in mid to late August, this crop could have been set to make some phenomenal yields. The fall weather approached with warmer, open skies and allowed the crop to mature. The problem, however, was that the plants were stressed somewhat and made it difficult to kill them with the use of harvest aid materials," said Reynolds.

Several applications had to be made on many acres to get them ready for harvest. A killing freeze was not seen until mid November as well. However the open, dry weather did allow for some very good harvest conditions where growers could start earlier in the day with low humidity and go later into the evening with harvest. The problem with this good harvest weather

is that it is usually dry and that can sometimes set up for a drier winter and spring which can certainly be a detriment for next year's crop.

Overall yields for this year have been varied with many good yields coming in around a bale per acre on dryland. The ranges have been anywhere from one half bale per acre up to nearly two bales per acre on some of the dryland acres that missed the bad weather. Irrigated acres have been from two bales to in some cases four bales per acre.

"This year saw some very challenging issues in terms of fertility and management of this crop. The abundance of rainfall in the summer made the fertilizer that was applied earlier in the season leach in the soil more and move out of the root zone. In addition, some of the wilt diseases showed up earlier in the growing season than they normally do. There also seemed to be more pressure from nematodes earlier this season with the disease problems starting earlier," said the county agent.

The really bright spot for this crop has been the price. Many producers will be getting a higher price than anticipated at the beginning of this year. Tighter world supply numbers and a smaller crop worldwide forced the price increase as the year progressed.

"Many growers received somewhere in the 80 cents per pound range for their crop. There were some cases where those growers that were not in a marketing pool may have received over a \$1 per pound for some of their crop. But you have to remember that the costs to grow a cotton crop have increased at a much more rapid rate than the price growers have been getting over the last several years. There is a tremendous investment and risk involved with getting a crop grown and with higher input costs these days, it is nice to at least get some return on some of the investment those growers are putting in to grow these crops," said Reynolds.

Bale counts from eight area gins reporting to the Lynn County News shot over the 300,000 mark this week, surpassing last year's total of 249,555 as gins finished processing the 2009 cotton crop at the end of January 2010. This year's cotton ginning will most likely continue through January as well.

Burglars take TVs, electronic equipment from home here

Tahoka Police this week are investigating a case of burglary from a home in the 1600 block of Ave. P. Justin Antu reported that sometime Sunday afternoon persons unknown entered his home and took a 42-inch TV, two 32-inch TVs, a Mac laptop computer, Wii game, satellite receivers, DVD movies and a shotgun. No damage to doors or windows to the home were immediately apparent, and it is unsure how entry may have been gained as the homeowner said all doors were locked.

Police have one witness who claims to have seen a vehicle parked behind the back yard fence, sometime between 1:30-3:00 p.m., which police say would have been visible looking south from Lockwood Ave., and are asking anyone who may have seen a vehicle

parked behind the fence to contact the police at 561-5255. The investigation continues this week.

Thirteen people were booked this week for a total of 30 inmates held in Lynn County Jail, of which 12 were for Hockley County. Charges included a grand jury indictment on Arcadio Sanchez Jimenez, 23, residence unknown, for a felony narcotics possession greater than one gram and less than four grams. Charges for others jailed included public intoxication, family violence assault causing bodily injury, two on parole violations, aggravated assault, DWI third or more, burglary of a habitation, possession of narcotics, displaying a suspended driver's license, and possession of narcotics in drug-free zone.

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by dalton



WITH CHRISTMAS now only a little more than a week away, a lot of folks around here probably are sort of wishing this area would have a white Christmas.

Good luck with that, because it is not very likely. One internet source says Lubbock has had only a dozen white Christmases since 1914, but one of them was last year.

The keeper of weather records for Tahoka informs me that Tahoka also had a white Christmas last year, with about three inches of snow on the ground, but sadly, I can't remember that at all. My rememberer is out of whack.

Snow on the ground at Christmas adds to the spirit of the season, so it would be a good thing which even I could appreciate, despite the fact that I really don't like snow or cold weather.

Snow on the ground is pretty, when viewed from inside the house standing near a fireplace. But if I have to get out in it, it's for the birds (penguins).

A week or so ago, a winter storm hit the northeast, and while it was cold enough for me right here, with daytime temperature in the lower 50s, it must have been awful in New York, Pennsylvania, Minnesota and the Great Lakes region. I saw pictures on TV of people trying to dig out their cars buried in snow, and others trying to drive in that stuff.

We have enjoyed vacations in New England in the summer, but nobody in his right mind would want to be there in the winter, and anybody who would live in those frigid states on purpose must be made of sterner stuff than I.

I know Thanksgiving is over, but I'm still thankful I have a home in climate-friendly Lynn County, Texas.

I won't mind if Christmas Day is white with snow, though. I probably won't leave the house all day anyway. I'll stay inside, so I won't go berserk.

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MR. AND MRS. BILLY EDWARDS

Couple to celebrate Golden Anniversary

O'Donnell residents Billy and Sarah Edwards will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Dec. 19, 2010 from 2-4 p.m. in the O'Donnell First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.

Their two sons, Shannon and Trish Edwards of Wolf-orth and Jay Edwards of Midland, will host the reception along with the couple's six grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwards are both retired from the O'Donnell Independent School District where Edwards was the Director of Maintenance and Mrs. Edwards taught English, journalism and sponsored many UIL teams including the one-act play. The couple also owned and operated an O'Donnell grocery store for many years.



Don't let Holidays mean Extra Weight

Dr. Mehmet Oz was on Good Morning America the other morning. The first thing Dr. Oz stated that caught my attention was that almost 90% of the people who gain that 5 pound holiday weight do not ever lose it. That means each year we put on 5 pounds or more and then keep it on. Yikes!

He then gave some simple steps to help you keep off that holiday weight. I thought they were very easy and helpful so let me recap them for you here.

1. Write down everything you eat. Everything means everything! Keeping track of all those little snacks will show you how much you are really eating.

2. Weigh yourself at least twice a week. This will show you if you are gaining weight and hopefully keep you from adding those pounds.

3. Have a pre-party snack. Eating something healthy will help you from overindulging. Try an apple, a cheese stick or a handful of nuts. These types of foods will fill your stomach but have only about 100 calories.

4. Watch the drinking. One glass of Eggnog is 450 calories. Drink a drink that has only about 100 calories, and alternate that drink with a glass of water and your next beverage. This will keep you hydrated and also might keep you from getting tipsy.

5. Don't Bake. That holiday baking can add up as you always taste what you are baking. Dr. Oz stated to just take some nice bakery item with a bow on it.

6. Exercise at least 20 minutes a day. He stated that if you feel you are losing the battle just add 20 minutes of exercise a day to help you burn off those extra calories.

Tahoka musicians make Honor Band

Six Tahoka 3-D Band members auditioned for the Region 16 ATSSB 3A Honor Band last Saturday at Lubbock Cooper schools. Patrick Wells, Cort Fisher, Hannah Thomas, Jacob Wright, Bryan Callahan and Abigail Santos competed. Four earned places in the Region 16 3A Honor Band, including Patrick Wells - horn, Jacob Wright - flute (2nd year), Hannah Thomas - alto clarinet and bass clarinet (2nd year), and Bryan Callahan - baritone and tuba (2nd year).

Both Hannah and Bryan earned the right to advance to Area for the second year in a row. Hannah again advanced on alto clarinet and Bryan advanced on baritone and tuba but chose to compete at Area on tuba, since one may only compete on one instrument.

The Area auditions will be held on Saturday, January 8, at Lubbock-Cooper where four Regions (Amarillo, Lubbock, El Paso, and Midland/Odessa) will compete for the opportunity to advance to the ATSSB All-State Band which rehearses and performs at the world's largest music convention, The Texas Music Educators Association Convention, February 9-12, at the San Antonio Civic Center. Approximately 85-90% percent of the band is made up of 3A students.

"We are very proud of each of these young people, including the ones who did not qualify," stated directors, Carroll Rhodes and Johnathan Smith. "They all have worked hard and are to be commended for their accomplishments."

Driver records now available instantly online

Texas drivers can now order their driving records online and print them out immediately instead of waiting to have the record mailed to them.

Previously, drivers could order their driver record online but had to wait to receive their record via the U.S. Postal Service.

Now, drivers can place their order using a credit card and their actual driver license, and then print out their record, which is available in a certified version suitable for submitting to a court for permission to take defensive driving. All Texas drivers, including commercial driver license holders, are eligible to use the online Driver Record System. To request a record, drivers must provide authentication information from their Texas driver license or ID and the last four digits of their social security number. Orders also require a credit card and access to a working printer.

In addition to on-demand driver records, Texas.gov and DPS have introduced two other online services in the past six months: Concealed Handgun Licensing and Contractor Driver Record Requests. Texas.gov also offers an easy, convenient way for Texans to access more than 1,000 other online services, including Driver License Renewal, Vehicle Registration Renewal, and Birth Certificate Orders. Users can even access www.texas.gov on-the-go through the Texas.gov iPhone application.



Extraordinary musicians ... These Tahoka 3-D Band members auditioned for the Region 16 ATSSB 3A Honor Band, from left: Patrick Wells, Cort Fisher, Hannah Thomas, Jacob Wright, Bryan Callahan and Abigail Santos. Four earned places in the Region 16 3A Honor Band, including Patrick Wells (horn), Jacob Wright-flute (2nd year), Hannah Thomas-alto clarinet & bass clarinet (2nd year), and Bryan Callahan-baritone & tuba (2nd year).



Donation for children ... James Craig, representing the Lynn County Harvest Festival Committee, presents a \$500 donation to Janet Porterfield for the Lynn County Christmas For Kids program. The funds will be used to purchase gifts for children. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

HELPING OTHERS:

Salvation Army funds available locally through Methodist Church

The Salvation Army has bell-ringers generating donations through kettles placed strategically at stores throughout the nation during the holiday season, but the organization also has a service unit in Tahoka that helps people in Lynn County. The First United Methodist Church of Tahoka provides services and funds from The Salvation Army to people in need in Lynn County, and a fund drive is currently underway to replenish the local account.

Several churches in the county will have Salvation Army donation envelopes placed in their Sunday bulletins, and there will be some donation envelopes placed inside this issue of The Lynn County News, at papers bought at The Lynn County News, Thriftway Grocery, Tahoka Drug, Jolly Time, Lyncco Automotive and Stripes convenience store. All funds donated through these donation envelopes will be kept for local use in the county, according to officials at the First United Methodist Church (FUMC).

"Everything donated locally remains in the county for local use," stressed Marcy Whitley at the Tahoka FUMC. "We are a service unit for The Salvation Army and use these funds to help local people in need," she added.

Not only are the funds used to assist in disasters, but also for emergency shelter for individuals or families displaced from homes or traveling through the area, for food and utility assistance, and even for summer camp opportunities for children from low-income families.

Tahoka FUMC offers immediate assistance with Salvation Army funds for people looking for shelter or housing to help them through a difficult time, or who need food to feed their families or help paying utility bills during extreme weather conditions.

"Although our visibility is heightened during the holidays, it is important for the commu-

nity to know that The Salvation Army's programs are ongoing. We're not just going to hand out a blanket and a cup of coffee to a needy person. We want to get them back on their feet and moving into a productive and fulfilling life. Our motivation comes from faith in Jesus and at the Salvation Army we'll help them regain their hope and purpose by sharing the good news of God's love and offering support in any way we can," said a sponsor.

For more information about the local program or to donate funds to the local Salvation Army fund, contact Marcy Whitley at First United Methodist Church in Tahoka, at 561-4503.

LOST a DOG?
Check with the Lynn County Animal Shelter.
806-561-4056

Obituaries

Alvin Bradshaw

Services for Alvin Neal Bradshaw, 72, of Post were held at 2:00 p.m. Monday, Dec. 13, at Tahoka Trinity Church. Interment was at Anton Cemetery in Anton under the direction of Combast Family Funeral Homes in Tahoka.

He died Saturday, December 11, 2010. He was born in Olney July 14, 1938 to Joe and Mayola (Ledbetter) Bradshaw. After honorable discharge from the U.S. Navy, he worked as a farmer and truck driver. He married Doris McGrew-Moore Dec. 7, 1985 in Lubbock. He was a member of Tahoka Trinity Church.

Survivors include his wife, Doris; two daughters, Shana Biddison and husband Greg of Big Spring and Sonya Murphy and husband Steve of Lubbock; two sons, Billy Moore and wife Mary of Lubbock and Bryn Bradshaw and wife Melinda of Coalgate, Oklahoma; two sisters, Dorothy Barrington and husband Steve of Lamesa and Margaret Ray and husband Edgar of Big Spring; 10 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one granddaughter, Brianna Bradshaw.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to Tahoka Trinity Church, 1925 Lockwood, Tahoka, TX 79373.

A Gift to the AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY MEMORIAL PROGRAM strikes a blow against cancer

Lynn County Senior Citizens Center invites you to decorate their Christmas Tree by donating to the Center. All proceeds benefit the Lynn County Senior Citizens' on-site and home delivery meal program. For more info, call 561-5264 or mail donations to P.O. Box 223, Tahoka, Tx 79373

All I Want for Christmas
A MUSICAL THEATRICAL PRODUCTION
BY TAHOKA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Thursday, Dec. 16
at 7:30 p.m.
Tahoka High School Auditorium

Admission: *\$6
... includes Intermission Dessert and Hot Apple Cider!

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KLLL Christmas Drive

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City denies SPS rate increase

Tahoka City Council met in regular session Monday night, denying two rate increase proposals from Southwestern Public Service Company, in accordance with a group of cities, including Tahoka, responding to the SPS request. Council members approved a resolution renewing the city's public funds and investment policy, and approved monthly bills.

A request from Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Chapa for a "Quit Claim Deed" at 1929 South 5th Street was approved, due to the house extending 2.7 feet west onto city property. Basically, a Quit Claim Deed holds property owners harmless for the property and grants ownership to the homeowners.

Council members held a second reading and signed an ordinance prohibiting truck traffic from the 1100 to 1400 blocks of N. 5th, 6th and 7th, streets (from Ave. D to the Hwy

87 access road).

A recommendation from the Advancing the Community of Tahoka (ACT) Board proposing a project to expend Type 4B sales tax revenue was on the council's agenda for the meeting, but an ACT representative was unable to attend the meeting to present the proposal. It is expected that the proposal will be placed on the agenda for the January council meeting.

Mayor John Baker briefed the council about a trip to Austin that he and City Administrator Jerry Webster took to meet with TCEQ about the city's water well system and testing procedures, noting that the meeting went well and the city has been approved to continue operating its well system.

Council members Rudy Fuentes, Ronny Jolly, Amy Preston, and Ray Box were present for the meeting. Councilman Jeff Martin was absent.



Kindergarten UIL participants... Tahoka Kindergarten students participated in UIL Oral Reading in Plains on Dec. 7. Nataly Taylor placed first, and Estevan Calvillo placed 6th. "They are all winners just for participating", stated a spokesperson. Pictured from left are Nataly Taylor, Estevan Calvillo, Zoie Garvin, Hope Quintero and teacher, Mrs. Garvin.



Retirement reception ... Curtis Wilke, pictured here with his wife Linda, was honored Dec. 6 with a reception honoring his retirement from 26 years of service as Chairman of the Board of Lynn County Appraisal District. Wilke served on the board from 1984-2010.

KLLL Country Christmas Blood Drive is Dec. 20

The Tahoka community and United Blood Services encourages all blood donors to be a part of the KLLL Country Christmas blood drive on Thursday, December 20 from 2:00 to 8:00 in the Life Enrichment Center.

Donors must be at least 16 years old and in good health. Donors will receive a KLLL Country Christmas t-shirt and also be entered into a drawing for a \$100 visa gift card and a \$20 Ultimate Electronics gift card each day. At the end of the KLLL Country Christmas blood drive one donor will win a 50" HDTV courtesy of Ultimate Electronics.

All blood types are needed. One blood donation can save up to three lives and the entire donation process takes between 30 and 45 minutes. In west Texas alone 130 units of blood or blood products are needed each day.

The need for blood is constant, and volunteer blood donors contribute to nearly all the blood used for patient care in the United States.

4-H members compete in district events

Four Lynn County 4-H members competed recently in the South Plains 4-H District contests in the Swine Skill A Thon and the Dairy Foods Contest. Jett Ballard, Ashlyn Ballard, Kohl Angeley and Kenzie Angeley competed in the Swine Skill A Thon contest. 4-H members completed a test, quiz bowl and four practical exams related to the swine industry. 4-H members learned about the many different aspects of pork production.

In addition, Jett, Ashlyn and Kohl also competed in the first ever 4-H Dairy Foods contest. 4-H members had to identify different kinds of milk, cheeses and non-dairy food products by tasting samples of each.



Testing their skills ... These Lynn County 4-H members competed in District 4-H contests, including the Swine Skill-a-Thon and Dairy Foods contest. They are, from left, Jett Ballard, Kohl Angeley, Ashlyn Ballard and Kenzie Angeley.

Christmas Eve/Day services offered at St. John Lutheran in Wilson

Christmas Eve services at St. John Lutheran in Wilson will feature the congregation's puppet team, P. B. 'n J. performing an original script written by one of its members entitled, "There Were Angels." Traditional Christmas carols and candlelight will also be part of the 6:00 p.m. service.

"There Were Angels" focuses on the shepherds guild, Mary, and Joseph and their various experiences with angels. Included in the performance will be the newest addition to the puppet team, "Bought and Paid 4," an animal a cappella quartet made up of Ziggy the Zebra, Bustante the Burro, Red the Sheep Dog, and Apollo the Huskie.

Following the service, goodie bags will be distributed to those in attendance. St. John

Lutheran is located at 13th and Dickson in Wilson.

Christmas Day Worship will be held at 10:00 a.m. in the sanctuary with a special guitar-led service.

"If you don't have other family plans, or even if you do, starting Christmas Day with worship is the perfect way to remember the reason for the season," said a member.

Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Dec. 8	61	28	
Dec. 9	73	29	
Dec. 10	69	32	
Dec. 11	55	35	
Dec. 12	50	26	
Dec. 13	73	24	
Dec. 14	80	29	
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Consolation Champs ... The Tahoka Bulldogs won the Consolation Championship in the Stanton Tournament Dec. 9-11. Pictured here, from left, are team manager DJ Tillman, #23 Blake Turner, #21 Zach Garcia, #34 Logan Tekell, #4 Tanner Hall, #5 Taylor Abell, #30 Neiko Garcia, #12 Keyshawn Liggins, #10 Ke'shawn Hood, and #14 Trai Smith. Jason Newdiger (#24) and Coach Brandon Lee are not pictured.

PBK accepting donations thru December 20th

Phebe K. Warner club is accepting donations to their scholarship programs through their annual Christmas Greeting ad up through Dec. 20, extending the deadline another week to allow patrons to contribute to a worthwhile cause. Contributions are accepted at First National Bank of Tahoka. All contributors will be listed in the Phebe K. Warner Christmas Greeting advertisement in the Christmas edition of *The Lynn County News*.

LETTER to the EDITOR

Conservative values needed

We, the voters of Lynn County, joined the nation in expressing our desires for a return to conservative values. Jim Landtroop is the representative-elect for our county. He ran on a promise to uphold West Texas conservative values. It is our opinion that the present Texas Speaker, Joe Straus, does not uphold these values. The stamp of approval from liberal pro-abortion organizations and his less-than-conservative committee appointments, prove to us

that we need a change in leadership in Austin. Speaker Straus is also opposed by gun owners, because of his opposition to gun rights in Texas. He has consistently blocked conservative legislation. Joe needs to go!

Please help us send a message from our county. The voters of Lynn County have a voice. We have a new representative that wants to hear from us. Numerous counties all over Texas are sending resolutions to Austin opposing Joe Straus. Join us in doing the same. We are collecting signatures from legal residents of Lynn County.

If you want your voice heard, please sign the resolution. All you need to do is email us your name and address and we will send you a copy of the resolution to replace Joe Straus as Speaker of the Texas House. Your email request will place your name on the resolution from our county.

The Texas legislature opens in a few weeks. Please let us hear from you this week ... just your name and address. We will personally present this resolution from the voters of Lynn County to Jim Landtroop before the year ends. **THANK YOU!**

Tom and Barbara Mandry
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Indigent defense contract approved by Commissioners

Lynn County Commissioners met in regular session Monday morning, considering several agenda items including a new annual contract for providing defense counsel to indigent persons in the local judicial system. District Judge Carter T. Schildknecht provided information on the proposed contract for 2011, which amounted to \$10,837 for Lynn County's portion, slightly higher than last year's portion of \$8,118.

The contract is based on the number of indigent defendants served in the prior year, with the cost-share divided between the four counties in the 106th Judicial District, including Lynn (\$10,837), Gaines (\$20,207), Dawson (\$22,321) and Garza (\$12,434), for a total annual contract of \$66,000 between the four counties. In 2010, there were 207 cases disposed involving indigent defense in the 106th Judicial District, including 34 cases in Lynn County, 39 in Garza, 64 in Gaines, and 70 cases in Dawson County. The contract is with Lubbock attorney Artie Aguilar, who has served as the indigent defense counsel for the 106th Judicial District for several years.

Judge Schildknecht explained that the pro-rata share between the four counties actually saves each county significant funds, projecting estimated costs to each county without an annual contract of approximately three times as much. Based on the number of indigent de-

fense cases in Lynn County last year, she estimated that Lynn County could have expected to pay \$30,075 in attorney fees for indigent defense, instead of the \$8,118 paid under the annual contract - a projected savings of \$21,957 for the county.

Commissioners unanimously approved the new contract.

In other business, commissioners banned certain fireworks due to drought conditions in the county, prohibiting fireworks classified as skyrockets with sticks or missiles with fins in any portion of the county. The order does not prohibit common fireworks that are small in size classified as Class C explosives, or large fireworks designed primarily to produce visible/audible effects by combustion, classified as Class B explosives.

Sheriff Jerry D. Franklin reported on his department's activities, and monthly bills were approved. Bonds were approved for several county officials and employees, including two newly elected officials whose terms will begin in January, for Pct. 4 Commissioner Danny Martin and Pct. 1 Justice of Peace Nancy Guilliams. Commissioners approved leaving the county retirement system rates at the current rate, with no changes.

Lynn County Judge H.G. Franklin presided at the meeting, with all four commissioners present including Brad Hammonds, Keith Wied, Don Blair and Mike Braddock.



Third place ... The Tahoka Lady Bulldogs won third place in the Stanton Tournament Dec. 9-11. Pictured here, from left, are Taya Bishop (22), Taryn Bishop (12), Kaitlyn Reno (11), Mattie Turner (21), Head Coach Bric Turner, Stormee Martin (3) holding the plaque, Morgan Lockaby (40), Kalee Wuensche (42), Gretchen Henley (34), Sarah Freitag (23), Brittney Liggins (33), and assistant coach Corey Cunningham.

TAHOKA SCHOOL NEWS

8th Grade Girls Fall to Seagraves

By: *Monica Strickland*
The 8th grade girls traveled to Seagraves Dec. 5 to play the Eagles. They came up short 30-12. Micaela Torrez was the top scorer for the Lady Dawgs with 6 points. Megan Alvarado added 4, Caley Bingham added 2, and Coy Mercer had 1.

JV Lady Dogs Beat Coyotes

By: *Madison Lockaby*
The JV girls challenged the

Borden County Coyotes. They were a point down at half time, but when the final second of the 4th quarter ended, they were up 1 point. The final score was 30-29.

The top scorer was Sarah Freitag with 7 points. Kaitlyn Lehman, Arriana Monsivias, and Hannah Thomas were not far behind her with 6 points. Madison

Lockaby had 5 points.

JV Bulldogs Defeat Coyotes

By: *Cort Fisher*
The Tahoka JV Bulldogs trav-

eled to Borden County on Dec. 7. The Bulldogs beat the Coyotes 37-22. The high scorers were Ray Farmer and Preston Hammonds with 8 points each.

Senior Citizens MENU

DECEMBER 20-24

Monday: Sausage, egg noodles & vegetables casserole, salad, rolls, banana pudding

Tuesday: Tuna salad on lettuce, harvest beets, crackers, fruit cocktail

Wednesday: Baked chicken w/ mushroom, white rice, spinach, biscuits, birthday cake

Thursday: Pancakes, scrambled eggs, bacon, cinnamon rolls, coffee & orange juice

Friday: Closed for Christmas!

Reminders & Activities:

• December 20, at 5 p.m. will be our Christmas Party. Bring a snack to share. Drinks provided.

• Wednesday, Dec. 22, we celebrate our Dec. birthdays: Johnny Adams, Frances Chancy, Jerry Ford and Dalton Wood

• Weekly Domino Nights are each Monday at 6:00 p.m.

• "Feed Our Community" program: a 10-day lunch ticket for a suggested donation of \$35. If the individual is under 60, a 10 day lunch ticket would be a donation of \$50. Ticket can be used for an on-site or take-out meal or if eligible, for delivery. The ticket can be for a specific person or can be donated and the Center will pick the person.

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All persons having claims against this Estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

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Lynn County will hold a public hearing at 5:05 p.m. on Monday, December 20, 2010, at the Lynn County Courthouse, regarding the submission of application to the Texas Department of Rural Affairs for Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TxCDBG). The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TxCDBG funding available, all eligible TxCDBG activities, and the use of past TxCDBG funds. The County encourages citizens to participate in the development of TxCDBG application and to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to the County Judge. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact the County Judge at (806) 561-4222 to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact the County Judge at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

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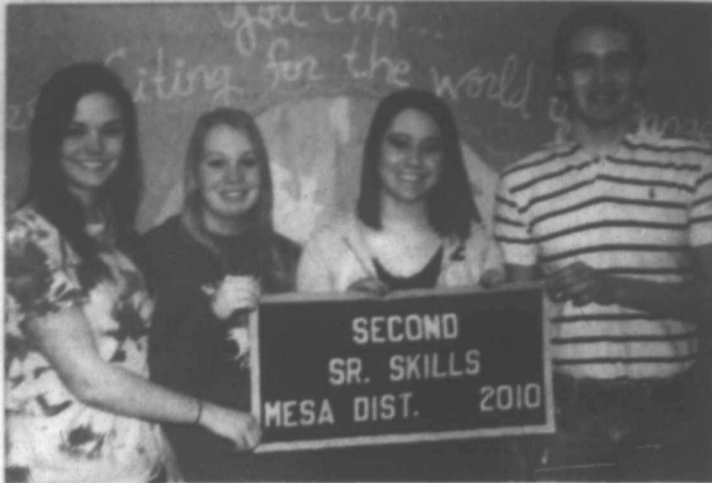
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New Home ISD Board meets

New Home Independent School District Board of Trustees approved the district's Emergency Operations Plan and a West Texas Food Service Cooperative agreement at their December board meeting. Superintendent Leland Zant presented information on the FAST rating and discussed the Highly Qualified Teacher report.

Five of seven trustees were present for the meeting, including Kevin Mitchell, Rachelle Link, Travis Smith, Martin Gill, and Gregg Nieman. Trustees Matt Barrington and Andy Maeker were absent.



Good consumer skills ... These Lynn County 4-H members competed at the District 4-H Consumer Decision Making contest. They are, in back from left, Kohl Angeley, Lea Gustafson, Blake McCleskey, Dane Rivas, and Kenzie Angeley; and in front, Hadley Reynolds, Jesse Terry, and Harley Reynolds.

The **NEW HOME** News

Jr. High Boys

New Home Jr. High boys lost to Ropes on December 6, 39-4 and defeated Lorenzo on December 13, 30-21. Their next game will be after the Christmas holidays on Monday, January 3.

Jr. High Girls

The New Home Jr. High girls lost to Ropes on December 6, 23-34 with Jasmine Placencia a 7th grader scoring 11 points and 8th grader, Kaylan Lehman put up 9 points. The NH Jr. High girls defeated Lorenzo on December 13, 25-22. 8th grader, McKenzie English put up 9 points along with 7th grader, Jasmine Placencia's 9 points. They will play after the holidays on Monday, January 3.

JV Girls

The New Home JV Lady Leopards lost to Ropes on December 7, 21-26. Jesse Terry, a Freshman, tossed in 6 points along with Sophomore, Ashleigh Holley's 5 points. The JV girls had a win over Loop on December 10, 28-17. Jesse Terry put up 9 shots and Ashleigh Holley put up 4 points for the Leopards.

Varsity girls

The Varsity Lady Leopards defeated Loop 55-40 on Dec. 10. Junior, Naomi Nevarez put up 17 points and Freshman Merritt Mitchell put up 12 points for the Leopards. They are 9-3 for the season and play their first District game on Tuesday, December 13 against Southland.

Varsity Boys

December 7 the New Home Varsity boys traveled to Whiteface. They lost 51-47 with Junior Zach West's high point of 20 along with Zach Paul a Sophomores 11 points.

December 10 the Leopards fell to Loop 48-46. Senior, Travis Thompson dropped 11 points for the Leopards.



Talented ... Karl Maeker, a senior at New Home High School, placed first in the FFA Talent competition. She sang a song she wrote "I'm Letting Go" and a Beatles tune, "Let It Be." She advances to Area competition which will be held in May. (NHISD PHOTO)

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Lynn County 4-H teams win at District consumer skills contest

Eight Lynn County 4-H members competed recently at the South Plains District 4-H Consumer Decision Making Contest held at the First Baptist Church in Tahoka. 4-H members from the 20 county area on the South Plains competed in the contest. 4-H members are given criteria on specific consumer goods and have to rank a given class and then defend their decision with oral reasons to a judge.

The team of Kenzie Angeley, Harley Reynolds and Jesse Terry won first place in the Senior Division and will represent Lynn County next June at State 4-H roundup in College Station. Harley Reynolds was high point in placings, reasons, and overall. Kenzie Angeley was second in placings, reasons and overall and Jesse Terry was fourth in placings and fifth overall.

The intermediate team of Dane Rivas, Kohl Angeley, Hadley Reynolds, Lea Gustafson, and Blake McCleskey tied for first overall but placed second in tie-breakers. Dane Rivas was first

in placings, second in reasons and first overall. Lea Gustafson was third in placings and fourth overall.

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GINNING CHARGES:
 Ginning: \$2.15 per hundred ~ Bagging: \$12.00 a bale
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