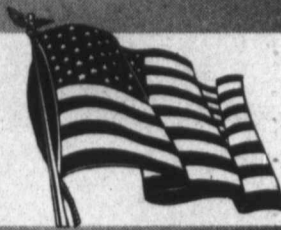




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## Blood Drive Tuesday, Nov. 22 10:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Look for the UBS mobile unit in the parking lot of Lynn County Hospital District

## Lynn County Area BALE COUNT

(reported 11-15-11)

Texas Star Gin, Wilson/Union.....	22,832
New Home Coop, Lakeview.....	20,195
Wells Coop Gin.....	9,094
Woolam Gin, O'Donnell.....	7,184
Farmers Coop, O'Donnell.....	2,500
Grassland Coop Gin.....	1,414
Close City Gin, Post.....	528
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>63,747</b>

## Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Nov. 9	57	33	
Nov. 10	62	31	
Nov. 11	66	31	
Nov. 12	77	32	
Nov. 13	77	43	
Nov. 14	69	56	
Nov. 15	75	45	
Precipitation for Jan:			0.01"
Precipitation for Feb:			0.66"
Precipitation for Mar:			0.07"
Precipitation for Apr:			0.00"
Precipitation for May:			0.05"
Precipitation for June:			0.30"
Precipitation for July:			0.21"
Precipitation for Aug:			0.53"
Precipitation for Sept:			1.08"
Precipitation for Oct:			0.85"
Precipitation for Nov.:			0.17"
<b>Total Precip. for 2011:</b>			<b>3.93"</b>

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## Wreck injuries fatal to O'Donnell man

An O'Donnell man died late Saturday after a Friday morning crash on U.S. 87 north of Tahoka.

Alberto Castro Jr., 23, was transported to Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock with critical injuries after the crash about 5:30 a.m. Friday, nearly three miles north of Tahoka, according to the Texas Department of Public Safety. He was pronounced dead at 6:15 p.m. Saturday.

Investigators believe Castro was driving a 2000 Kia Sportage SUV south on U.S. 87 when the vehicle began veering to the west side of the road. Castro lost control when he tried to swerve the vehicle back to the center of his lane but overcorrected, causing the

Kia to roll over once before stopping in a bar ditch on the side of the highway.

There were no other people in Castro's vehicle, and investigators believe the Kia was the only vehicle involved in the crash.

In Seminole this week, attorneys for 106th District Attorney Brian Kingston, charged with misdemeanor driving while intoxicated in Gaines County on Sept. 9, filed a motion in county court seeking recusal of Gaines County Attorney Joe Nagy from prosecuting Kingston on the charge. The motion asked that an attorney pro tem be appointed to prosecute the case, which has been scheduled for Gaines County Court in January.



**Fatal wreck ...** This Kia Sportage SUV overturned Friday north of Tahoka on U.S. 87, and the driver, 23-year-old Alberto Castro Jr. of O'Donnell, died later of injuries. (LCN PHOTO)

## School leases baseball field from City of Tahoka - Cost: \$1

The Tahoka ISD Board of Trustees met in regular session on Thursday, November 10, approving a lease of the Tahoka baseball field and the softball field from the City of Tahoka. The lease was for \$1.00 a year, for a term of five years with an additional three terms of five years each. TISD maintains the fields.

The Board approved the 2011-2012 Highly Qualified Teachers report as presented by Superintendent Steve Burleson. Trustees also discussed the new STAAR End of Course grading policy with the administration. The STAAR End of Course test is taking the place of the high school TAKS test for the current ninth grade students. It will be the test that all high school students in the future will have to pass to graduate from high school. The current sophomore, juniors, and seniors will still take the TAKS test. This item will be on the December agenda also.

School principals gave reports concerning each of their campuses. The superintendent also gave an enrollment

report for the District through the second six weeks of school and the Texas Education PEIMS Snapshot date. On the PEIMS Snapshot date there were 605 students enrolled in the school district.

"This was one more student than we had on this date in 2010. This number is what TEA looks at for funding the school district during the next two years," noted Supt. Burleson.

The next regular board meeting was scheduled for Thursday, December 12, at 6:30 p.m.

## Liggins runs at State meet

Tahoka High School senior Brittny Liggins placed 29th out of 103 runners at the UIL Class 1A State Cross Country Meet held in Round Rock last weekend. She ran the 2-mile event with a time of 13:29.

Liggins is the daughter of John and Joey Miller of Tahoka.

## Community Thanksgiving Dinner offered here Sunday evening



The annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner, sponsored by churches in Tahoka, will be held Sunday, Nov. 20 at the Tahoka School Cafeteria. The meal is prepared and served by volunteers from several local churches, and is offered free to the community to celebrate Thanksgiving.

The meal will be served from 5-6 p.m. at the school cafeteria. Carry-outs are not available, but meal delivery is available for shut-ins and homebound, by calling your own church office, or call Marcy Whitley at the First United Methodist Church office, 561-4503, to be placed on the meal delivery list.

## Avenue N to get new water lines

Tahoka City Council met in routine session Monday night to consider city business, including approval of paperwork to implement a Texas Community Development Block Grant contract to replace waterlines on Avenue N in the city. City officials can request CDBG grant funds every two years, and has used these funds to replace the most urgent water line systems underneath city streets. City Administrator Jerry Webster says the water line underneath Ave. N will be replaced from North 2nd southward to S. 4th or 5th streets, as far as the funds allow replacement.

In other business, council members considered two bids to build a new fence around the city's wastewater treatment plant, approving the lower bid of \$13,384 from RC Construction of Lubbock. The other bid was for \$15,372 from C3 Fence in Slaton.

Brady Askew was appointed as the

city's representative to the Lynn County Appraisal District Board for a two-year term, and the council approved monthly bills. An agreement with the Texas Municipal Retirement System to access the TMRC city portal was approved, which allows the City Administrator internet access to retirement system information regarding city employees.

TISD police officer Tom Tejada met with the council to discuss school parking issues on city streets. Webster told *The News* that the slanted parking on N. 4th adjacent to the elementary gym was a temporary solution to see how it worked out, but that school and city officials may contact residents affected by the parking about the possibility of making all the streets around the school campuses one-way on a permanent basis instead of just during school hours.



**Stolen pickup found ...** Lynn County officers last week recovered the 2005 Dodge Ram pickup above after it had been abandoned in the county. The pickup, which had been stolen in East Texas, had been stripped of its wheels, but otherwise appeared to be undamaged.

## woodwork

by dalton wood



FOR MANY YEARS, daily newspapers used to carry a cartoon called "They'll Do It Every Time," drawn by Jimmy Hatlo, and it always pointed out things that people do which are considered out of step with everyone else.

Hatlo died around 1965, but before that he did some interesting things that most people could identify with, perhaps because many of us are too negative or pessimistic:

Just because I'm paranoid doesn't mean they're not out to get me. I'm the one who always bites down on a bone in a piece of boneless chicken. I'm like the guy whose psychiatrist told him, "The reason you have an inferiority complex is because you are inferior."

Okay, so it's not really that bad; I try to look on the bright side. That's why I read with amusement a list of "Universal Laws" a friend sent last week. Some of them are new, and many are so true. Here are just a few of them:

**Law of Mechanical Repair**—After your hands become coated with grease, your nose will start to itch and you will have this sudden desperate need to use the restroom.

**Law of Gravity**—Any tool, nut, bolt or screw, when dropped, will roll to the least accessible place.

**Law of Probability**—The probability of being watched is directly proportional to the stupidity of your action. I would add here that whenever you fall down, even if you break a leg, your first concern is to look around and see who saw you fall.

**Law of the Alibi**—If you tell your boss you were late to work because you had a flat tire, the next morning you will have a flat tire.

**Law of the Theater and Sports Arena**—At any event, the people whose seats are furthest from the aisle always arrive last. They are the ones who leave their seats several times for food, drinks or whatever, and who leave early before the event is over. The folks in the aisle seats come early, never move, have long legs or big bellies, and stay to the bitter end. The aisle people also are usually very surly.

**The Law of Physical Appearance**—If the clothes fit, they are ugly.

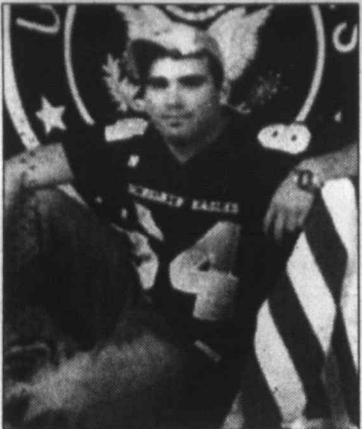
**Law of Marketing Strategy**—As soon as you find a product you really like, they quit making it.

**Doctor's Law**—If you don't feel well, make an appointment to go to the doctor; by the time you get there you'll feel much better. But don't make the appointment, and you'll stay sick.

To all those, I would add one of my own, perhaps called **Worker's Law**—If you work in a business or anyplace serving the public, and for some reason the other workers have to leave you alone for an hour, you will sit there for 45 minutes doing absolutely nothing. Then, when you have to go to the restroom, three people come in calling out "Is anybody here?" and the phone rings, all at once.



Obituaries



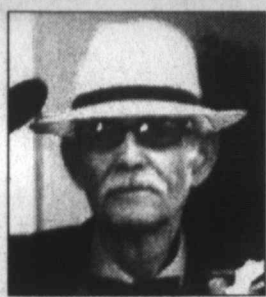
**Alberto "A. J." Castro, Jr.**

Services for Alberto Castro, Jr. "A. J.", 23, of O'Donnell were held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 16, 2011 at St. Pius X Catholic Church in O'Donnell. Interment was at O'Donnell Cemetery. He died on Saturday, November 12, 2011.

He was born in Lubbock on September 8, 1988 to Alberto Castro, Sr. and Laura Lisa Galvan. A.J. was a 2007 graduate of O'Donnell High School. He was a student in the Medical Assistant program at Kaplan College. He worked for Reece Albert Industry as a laborer.

He was preceded in death by his grandfather.

Survivors include his mother, Laura Lisa Galvan of Rio Grande City; his father, Alberto Castro, Sr. of O'Donnell; girlfriend, Ashley Roy of Midland; maternal grandparents, Miguel and Diana Galvan and paternal grandmother Arcelia Castro; one son, Aaron Jose Castro of Midland; two sisters, Isaura Galvan and Stephanie Galvan, both of Rio Grande.



**Manuel Gutierrez**

Prayer services for Manuel Gutierrez Sr., 81, of O'Donnell were held at 7 p.m. November 12, 2011 at Calvillo Funeral Home Chapel-Tahoka. Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. Monday, November 14, 2011 at The First Baptist Church in O'Donnell with the Rev. Toby Gonzales officiating, and assisted by Rev. Daniel Herrera and Rev. Lee Gamez. Burial was in The City of O'Donnell Cemetery under the direction of Calvillo Funeral Home and Chapel. He died on Friday November 11, 2011 at his residence.

He was born on April 28, 1930 in Kennedy to the late Felix and Guadalupe Gutierrez. He married Inez Moreno on October 27, 1951 in Tahoka. He was a retired farmer and a member of Nueva Vida Baptist Church of O'Donnell. He moved to O'Donnell in 1959 from Tahoka.

He is preceded in death by a son Rudy Gutierrez, a brother Santos Gutierrez and one sister Angela Trejo.

Survivors include his wife Inez of O'Donnell; four sons, Ruben and wife Olga of Lamesa, Manuel and wife Elida of Lubbock, Alex and wife Minerva of O'Donnell, Enrique and wife Lupe of Houston; three daughters, Isabel and husband Alberto Gloria of O'Donnell, Dianne and husband Jose Trevino of Giddings, Josie and husband David Burttschell of Giddings; five brothers, Jesus of Wolfforth, Pete, Jose, Juan, and Blas, all of Tahoka; a sister Maria Perez of Natalia; 16 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren.



**Mildred Alene Tate**

Graveside services for Mildred Alene (Gerner) Tate, 85, of Lubbock, were held Tuesday, November 15, at Terrace Cemetery in Post. A memorial service followed at 2:00 p.m. at Comb-est Family Memorial Chapel. She died on Sunday, November 13, 2011.

She was born October 21, 1926 in the Gerner Family Home in Garza County. She grew up in the Grassland Community, attending Magnolia School and graduating from Post High School. She married Ben F. Brewer of Post on December 17, 1944. She later married Robert "Bud" Tate on September 8, 1979 in Lubbock. She worked for the Lubbock County Clerk's Office until retiring. She was a member of Sunset Church of Christ.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Peter and Lena Gerner; as well as seven brothers and sisters.

Survivors include her husband, Bud; two daughters, Deborah Sneed of Post and Rebecca Brewer and husband Lon Townsend of Gatesville; four step-children, Benita, Robbie, Tara, and Will; a brother, Rufus Gerner and wife Wilma of Tahoka; 13 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 3610 22nd St., Suite 300, Lubbock, TX 79410 or the charity of your choice.

**Jesus "Jesse" Mendez, Jr.**

Services for Jesus "Jesse" Mendez, Jr. 42, of Wilson will be held at the First Baptist Church in Wilson on Thursday, November 17 at 2:00 p.m. He died on Sunday, November 13, 2011.

He was born November 30, 1968 in Lubbock to Jesse and Antonia (Faz) Mendez, Sr. He graduated from Wilson High School in 1988. He married Mary Kathleen Trujillo on July 9, 2005 in Sandia Pueblo, NM. He worked as a plumber for Lakeside Healthcare Rehabilitation Center in Lubbock and was a member of First Baptist Church in Wilson. He was a former Little Dribblers Coach in Wilson.

He was preceded in death by one sister Esmeralda Olguin and his father.

Survivors include his wife Kathleen; five children, Shay, Samantha, Amber, Ryan and Craig Mendez all of Wilson; one brother Danny Mendez of Wilson; two sisters, Arlene Mendez and Mary Lou Ybarra, both of Lubbock.



**Great American Smokeout**  
(www.cancer.org)

November 17th has been designated by the American Cancer Society (ACS) as the 36th Annual Great American Smokeout. 46 million Americans still smoke. The group uses this yearly event to help encourage smokers to make a plan to quit; knowing that there are others committing to the same thing.

According to the ACS tobacco use remains the single largest preventable cause of disease and premature death in the US. Here is just a short list of the cancers that smoking increases your chances of getting: mouth, throat, esophagus, bladder, cervical, lung, larynx, and pancreas. And then there are these health problems; coronary heart disease, diabetes, high blood pressure, emphysema and bronchitis.

The good news is that if you stop smoking today you will start to feel better today and continue to feel better each day. Below are a few healthy changes you can expect IF you stop smoking.

• **20 minutes after quitting:** Your heart rate and blood pressure drop.

• **12 hours after quitting:**

the carbon monoxide level in your blood drops to normal.

• **2 weeks to 3 months after quitting:** your blood circulation improves and your lung function increases.

• **1 to 9 months after quitting:** the coughing & shortness of breath decreases-the cilia (tiny hair like structures that move mucus out of the lungs) start to regain normal function in the lungs, increasing the ability to handle mucus, clean the lungs, and reduce the risk of infection.

• **1 year after quitting:** the excess risk of coronary heart disease is half that of a continuing smoker's.

• **5 years after quitting:** the risk of cancer of the mouth, throat, esophagus and bladder are cut in half. Cervical cancer risk falls to that of a non-smoker. Stroke risk can fall to that of a non-smoker after 2-5 years.

• **10 years after quitting:** the risk of dying of lung cancer is about half that of a person who is still smoking. The risk of cancer of the larynx & pancreas decreases.

The American Cancer Society has developed all kinds of resources and support to help increase the chances that this time will be successful. Log on or call 1-800-227-2345 to find tips and tools. Good luck and good health! (Note: all information was taken from the ACS website.)

**LETTER to the EDITOR**

**Rare Achievement**

Advancing to state level competition is a rare achievement for any school organization. We would like to congratulate the members of the Tahoka 3-D band, Carroll Rhodes, and Jonathan Smith for reaching the state marching band competition held last week in San Antonio. The band gave an excellent performance and should be extremely proud of this accomplishment.

The students represented Tahoka well, and we are all very proud of them. Many thanks to Carroll Rhodes and Jonathan Smith, for their ability to transform 68 individuals into an award winning team. An enormous amount of time and dedication is required by the students and the directors in order to reach the level of performance required to compete at the state level.

We are looking forward to returning to state competition with the 3-D band in two years. Way to go band!!

Zane and Danna Curry

**Parents invited to "bullying" presentation**

Tahoka ISD invites parents of students to a special presentation by nationally known speaker and educator Dr. Eric Cupp, at 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17 at the Tahoka Housing Authority Center, located at 1400 Ave. K.

Dr. Cupp will speak on topics including "What is bullying?" "Why bullies bully" and "How to help your child deal with a bully."

Hot dogs and other refreshments will be served. The bullying session is for parents only, and childcare will be provided at the school for those that need it. For more information, contact any Tahoka ISD campus office.

**Community invited to Nov. 17 meeting about Relay For Life**

American Cancer Society Relay For Life representatives invite area citizens to an informational meeting at 6 p.m. tonight (Thursday, Nov. 17) in the fellowship hall of First Baptist Church of Tahoka. The ACS is seeking interested citizens to serve on the Relay For Life committee as well as team captains and other positions in the event. Dinner will be provided.

"We will talk about the plans for the 2012 Relay For Life, where the money goes, and how you can be involved," said Keith B. Patrick, ACS representative.

Information will be provided about what is involved in being a team captain, serving on the Relay For Life committee and other related information.

For more information, contact Patrick at 806-239-6628, or Ryan Rios at 806-831-7495. Patrick may also be reached by email at Keith.Patrick@cancer.org.



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

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- ARE YOU INTERESTED IN:
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  - SERVING ON THE COMMITTEE
  - GETTING YOUR BUSINESS INVOLVED
  - BEING ON A TEAM
  - MORE INFORMATION

WE WILL TALK ABOUT THE PLANS FOR THE 2012 RELAY FOR LIFE, WHERE THE MONEY GOES, AND HOW YOU CAN BE INVOLVED!

DINNER WILL BE PROVIDED!!

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT RYAN RIOS AT 806-831-7495 OR KEITH B. PATRICK AT 806-239-6628 OR KEITH.PATRICK@CANCER.ORG.

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Taya Bishop  
Ericka Marquez  
Kirstin Stice  
Charlie Duran  
Sonya Gonzales  
Ma'Kayla Tillman  
Sarina Ybarra-SITG  
Tari' Anna Peña-SITG  
Kayla Miller-SITG

**ALTO SAXOPHONES**

Josh Miller  
Mady DeLeon  
Kaitlyn Lehman  
Kaycee Lehmann  
Clarissa Lopez-SITG  
Carlos Morales-SITG

**CLARINETS**

Braiden Fisher  
Cort Fisher  
Abigail Santos  
Micaela Torrez  
Ariana Monsivais  
Vanessa Chavarria  
Hunter Lowdermilk  
Elizabeth Locke  
Megan Alvarado  
Mia Saldaña  
Elvia Aguilar  
Gabriella Alvarez  
Alyssa Pesina  
Andrea Garcez-SITG

**BASS CLARINET**

Hannah Thomas  
Susie Lara

**TENOR SAXOPHONE**

LisaMarie Alvarado  
Lauren Raindl

**BARI SAXOPHONE**

Ryan Garza  
Mishelle Earnest-SITG

**HORNS**

Bryan Peña

**TRUMPETS**

Selena Tello  
Jeremiah DeLeon  
Yancy Draper  
Caelan Decker  
Cari Rodriguez  
Domenique Herrera  
Tony Garcia-SITG

**BARITONES**

Justin Forsythe  
Allie Moya-SITG

**TROMBONES**

Zach Garcia  
Carson Lehmann  
Ian Zamarron  
Samantha Antuna  
McKenzy Forsythe  
A.J. Rohlfs  
Vanessa Mendez  
Esperanza Ramirez-SITG

**TUBAS**

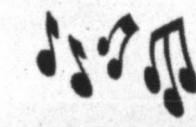
Bryan Callahan  
Paul Bernal  
Kordell Baker  
Damien Colon

**PERCUSSION**

Levi Hawthorne  
Jonathan Alvarez  
Steven Moya  
Laura Henderson  
Kara Larpenter  
Joel Miller  
Blake McCleskey  
Kayla Strickland

**DRUM MAJORS**

Bryan Callahan  
Mady DeLeon



**BAND DIRECTORS**

Carroll Rhodes  
Johnathan Smith

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**This hard-working group has accomplished so much this marching season ... going all the way to the State UIL Marching Competition! Your efforts are very much appreciated and we congratulate each and every one of you!**



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**State run ...** Tahoka High School senior Brittney Liggins crosses the finish line at the UIL Class 1A State Cross Country Meet. She placed 29th out of 103 runners with a time of 13:29 in the two-mile event.

**FSA urges farmers, ranchers to vote in co. committee elections**

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) Administrator Bruce Nelson announced that the 2011 FSA county committee elections began Nov. 4, with USDA mailing ballots to eligible voters. The deadline to return the ballots to local FSA offices is Dec. 5, 2011.

"The role and input of our county committee members is more vital than ever at a time when our country faces impor-

tant choices regarding the funding and operation of our government," said Nelson. "New county committee members provide input and make important decisions on the local administration of disaster and conservation programs. With better participation in recent years, we have also seen promising increases in the number of women and minority candidates, helping to better represent the richness of American agriculture."

County committee members are an important component of the operations of FSA and provide a link between the agricultural community and USDA. Farmers and ranchers elected to county committees help deliver FSA programs at the local level, applying their knowledge and judgment to make decisions on commodity price support programs; conservation programs; incentive indemnity and disaster programs for some commodities; emergency programs and eligibility. FSA committees operate within official regulations designed to carry out federal laws.

To be an eligible voter, farmers and ranchers must participate or cooperate in an FSA program. A person who is not of legal voting age, but supervises and conducts the farming operations of an entire farm may also be eligible to vote. Agricultural producers in each county submitted candidate nominations during the nomination period, which ended on Aug. 1.

Eligible voters who do not receive ballots in the coming week can obtain ballots from their local USDA Service Center. Dec. 5, 2011, is the last day for voters to submit ballots in person to local USDA Service Centers. Ballots returned by mail must also be postmarked no later than Dec. 5. Newly elected committee members and their alternates will take office Jan. 1, 2012.

**New Home ISD School News**

New Home Jr High girls defeated Ropes on Monday, November 14. The score was 24-14. The New Home Jr. High boys also defeated Ropes with a score of 24-14.

The New Home Lady Leopards Varsity team came home with a win over Hale Center with a score of 46-36.



GLORIA MOORE

**Pastor Gloria Moore honored at Church of the Nations**

Pastor Gloria Moore was named a "Woman of Grace" recently at the "Women of Grace" Extravaganza given by the Church of the Nations in Lubbock Oct. 29, at the First United Methodist Church.

Pastor Moore, affectionately known as "Pastor G," was the first female pastor in Tahoka and Lynn County, and has been teaching and preaching for over 24 years. One area that has been positively impacted by her ministry is the Lynn County Jail. Since 1992, she has been volunteering her time to share the Word of God with those incarcerated in the jail. She has weekly Bible Study and worship service with the inmates and employees at the jail.

Moore is the daughter of the late L. C. Burleson and Henrietta. She has five children, Myra Moore, Gwendolyn Hunter, and Adrian Williams, all of whom are ministers, and Reggie and Rocky Moore. She has 15 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. She pastors the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in Tahoka, and also owns and operates Our Daily Bread Diner (formerly P.J.'s) in Tahoka.



**Lucky day ...** Ramon Quintero (right) won the grand prize drawing for the 32-inch flat screen television donated by Kent Elliott (left) with Fenton Insurance, in the Lynn County News' grand prize drawing culminating the 10-week football contest. His entry, which was from week-3 in the contest, was drawn last week from among all entries submitted during the 10-week contest. (LCN PHOTO)

**Commissioners consider copiers, internet, grant issues for Lynn County offices**

Lynn County Commissioners met in routine session Monday morning to consider several issues pertaining to the business of county offices, including copiers, internet service, and grant requests.

Approval was given to request paving materials from TxDOT valued at \$17,542 through the Government Assistance Program, to be shared between Commissioner Precincts 2 and 4. TxDOT offers the recycled surplus paving material free to the county through the GAP program each year, and commissioners alternate precincts each year for the paving materials.

A new copier was approved for placement in the courthouse copy room for use by all county offices, with the old copier to go in the county clerk's office due to their increased load from oil/gas company record searches. Internet service for the Pct. 4 Justice of Peace office in O'Donnell was approved, if needed, to be paid for with funds collected in that office.

A resolution to apply for the 2012 Indigent Defense Grant funds was approved, and a contract been the Sheriff's Office

and LeadsOnLine at a cost of \$1,578 per year was approved. Discussion about a security issue with the local DPS office was considered, but no action taken at this time.

As suggested by the county's internal auditor, commissioners approved a policy that mileage expenses for county employees must be approved at a Commissioner's Court meeting before payment is allowed. The only payments that the Treasurer's Office may pay without prior approval beforehand is the following: payroll, credit card payments, juror fees, utilities, vendor cash on demand payments, and quarterly reports.

County Clerk Susan Tipton asked for two commissioners to meet on Wednesday to canvass the General Election from Nov. 8 (amendment election). Commissioners Mike Braddock and Don Blair volunteered to meet that day to canvass.

Sheriff's Jerry D. Franklin reported on his department's activities, and monthly bills were approved. County Judge H.G. Franklin led the meeting with all four commissioners present, including Braddock, Blair, Danny Martin and Keith Wied.

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LUNCH  
Monday: Hot dog, oven fried potatoes, sherbet cups, apple & orange  
Tuesday: Hamburgers, trimmings, western beans, sliced peaches

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NOVEMBER 21-22  
BREAKFAST  
Monday: Breakfast pocket  
Tuesday: Pop tart  
Wednesday-Friday: Thanksgiving Holidays

LUNCH  
Monday: Nachos grande, Spanish rice, lettuce & tomatoes, cinnamon sugar cookies  
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## Senior Citizens MENU

NOVEMBER 21-25  
Monday: Homemade chili, cornbread, salad, chocolate pudding  
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Tuesday: Oatmeal & toast  
Wednesday-Friday: Happy Thanksgiving

LUNCH  
Monday: Chicken alfredo, green beans, roll, peaches, brownie  
Tuesday: Corn dog, western beans, celery & carrot dippers, apple, pudding cup

## Reminders and Activities:

- BINGO will be held November 17th at 10:00 a.m. at Wilson City Hall. Come and join the fun and win prizes!
- Aluminum can recycle is now located at the old Higginbotham Lumber Yard at 1714 Ave. H. All donations dropped off at this site are to benefit Sr. Citizen's Center. Please tie the bags before placing them in the recycle bin.
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**Jones visits Tahoka ...** Delwin Jones, longtime former member of the Texas House of Representatives, from Lubbock, visited Tahoka Tuesday afternoon as he gears up for the campaign trail. He is pictured here at the Lynn County Courthouse, where he was seeking information on registered voters in the county. (LCN PHOTO)

## Undefeated Tahoka YFL to compete in Nationals

The Tahoka Bulldog 5th and 6th grade Youth Football League team are headed to the National YFL tournament after going undefeated in the Lamesa YFL league.

"Our kids can compete with any team we play. We're not entering the tourney just to say we played at Nationals. Our goal is to win our division," said head Coach Billy Wilborn. "We will definitely cheer on former Tahoka Bulldog Michael Tipton's team, Beastmode, which will be one of the representing teams for New Mexico."

The schedule is: Saturday at 10:20 a.m., Tahoka vs Midland Bulldogs at Tiger Stadium, 700 W Dickens, in Slaton and at 1:00 p.m. Tahoka vs Farwell Steelers at Slaton High School located at, 105 N. 20th, in Slaton. The

tourney will close out Sunday at 1:00 p.m. The field and opponent will be determined after Saturday's games.

Please call Coach Billy Wilborn 806-939-2383 or Tabettha Wilborn 806-939-2381, if interested in attending the tournament on Sunday for information on the location.

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## Two Lynn County 4-H members earn top 5 placings at District 4-H Food Show

Two Lynn County 4-H members, Abigail Rodriguez and Evelyn Hardt, represented Lynn County at the District 4-H Food Show on Saturday, November 5, at Levelland High School. The district competition included more than 120 4-H member contestants from 20 counties on the South Plains. Each contestant presented a tasty dish to a panel of judges to showcase his or her nutrition knowledge and food preparation skills.

Abigail placed 2nd in the Intermediate Nutritious Snacks category and Evelyn placed 5th in the Junior Fruits and Vegetables category.

The Lynn County 4-H program is part of the Texas Agriculture Extension Service, and always welcomes new members. Call 561.4562 for more information about joining 4-H.

Following are the recipes that Evelyn and Abigail entered.

### Fiesta Salad

*by Evelyn Hardt*  
1 can black beans, drained and rinsed  
½ tsp garlic salt  
1 cup frozen corn, thawed  
½ tsp cumin  
¼ cup red onion, chopped  
¼ cup salsa  
¼ cup chopped cilantro  
Salt to taste

Mix all ingredients together except cilantro. For best results,

refrigerate overnight to enhance flavor, and add cilantro just before serving. Can be kept 4-6 days. Makes 6-8 Servings.

### Abby's Picanté Sauce and Homemade Corn Tortilla Chips

*by Abigail Rodriguez*  
1 (14 oz) can of unsalted diced tomatoes  
½ teaspoon coarse ground black pepper  
2 cloves garlic, minced  
1 jalapeno, chopped  
1 tablespoon minced onion  
2 teaspoon of lime juice or vinegar  
1 teaspoon minced cilantro

Place all ingredients in food processor and blend for 10 seconds or desired consistency.

### Corn Tortillas

2 cups corn masa  
½ teaspoon salt  
1-1/4 cups warm water

In a bowl mix masa, salt and water. Knead until combined and soft. Cover dough while making tortillas to prevent drying. Wrap plastic wrap around a cutting board. Place one ½ inch ball of dough on board, place another sheet of plastic wrap on top of the dough. Roll out thin. Place a small plate on the rolled dough and trim the edges. Place the trimming back in with the unused dough. After the tortillas are rolled and trimmed, heat frying pan on medium to high heat. Cook tortillas one at a time for 1-2 minutes on each side.



**4-H Food Show winners...** Two Lynn County 4-H members, Abigail Rodriguez (right) and Evelyn Hardt, (left) represented Lynn County at the District 4-H Food Show on Saturday, November 5, 2011, at Levelland High School. Abigail placed 2nd in the Intermediate Nutritious Snacks category and Evelyn placed 5th in the Junior Fruits and Vegetables category.

## BBB receives numerous complaints about Lubbock co.

Recently, BBB has been receiving a large volume of complaints on a local company called TRANSMISSION KING. BBB opened the file on Transmission King in January of this year, and complaints first started appearing in late June. At this time the volume of complaints in the last two weeks has passed the number of complaints since the first complaint was opened in June. The address on file for the company is 5001-B 34th St. in Lubbock, TX.

Transmission King currently has an "F" rating with BBB for not answering to a complaint filed earlier this year. Most of the complaints coming in generally allege paying anywhere from several hundred dollars to several thousand dollars for repair services. Most of

the complaints allege that once the vehicles are returned, they were not in drivable condition if the vehicles were returned at all.

In a couple of instances, it has been reported that consumers who had already paid for service were denied access to their vehicles currently in the shop.

To this point, BBB has been unable to verify any type of business formation filings with either the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts or the Lubbock assumed name filings, and BBB is unsure as to whether or not Transmission King is in good standing with any regulating agency.

File a complaint with BBB online at BBB.org or in person at 3333 66th St. in Lubbock.

## TAHOKA SCHOOL NEWS

by THS Journalism Students

### 7th grade Ends Season with Win

*By: Kayla Long*  
The 7th grade Tahoka football team played Seagraves on Nov. 3. The Bulldogs defeated the Eagles 24-22.

Andrew Alvarez scored a touchdown. Chelsea Hunter scored two touchdowns. Michael Farrell had a fumble recovery to seal the game.

### 8th Grade Tangles with Mustangs

*By: Coy Mercer*  
The Tahoka Bulldogs played the Olton Mustangs on Nov. 3, and lost 38-12.

At halftime the score was 12 to 6. Tahoka scored on with passes from Tahoka's Hadley Reynolds to Jared Green, one for 38 yards and one for 16 yards.

### Bulldogs J.V. Beat the Idalou Wildcats

*By: Stevie Moya*  
The Tahoka J.V. football team won their away game against the Idalou Wildcats 14-6 on Nov. 3. In the second quarter Trystan Hilger threw a touchdown pass to Levi Hawthorne. Dillon Trevino had a touchdown run. In the fourth quarter Ryan Mendez had a fumble recovery, which allowed them to run down the clock.

### Varsity Begins season with Win

*By: Kirstin Stice*  
Lady Bulldogs won against Seminole 36-33 on Nov. 10. The top scorers were Brittney Liggins with 20 points and Sarah Freitag with 9 points.

The Lady Bulldogs lost against Ropes 37-15 on Nov. 12. The top scorers were Taya Bishop, Gretchen Henley and Ashley Flores with 4 points each.

### JV Girls Lose to Seminole

*By: Kaitlyn Lehman*  
The JV Lady Bulldogs lost to Seminole 61-23 on Nov. 1. The top scorers were Micaela Torrez and Ashley Flores with 8

points each and Samantha Mendez with 5 points.

### 7th Grade Boys Basketball

*By: Nick Garcia*  
On Nov. 14 the Smyer Bobcats won against the Tahoka Bulldogs with the final score 37-19. Grant Tekell made a total of 14 points. Brit Lockaby made a total of 3 points. Andrew Alvarez scored 2 points.

### 8th Grade Boys Basketball

*By: Nathaniel Locke*  
Tahoka 8th grade played Smyer on Nov. 14 and lost a close game, 20-18. Carlos Moralez scored a total of 6 points. Grant Garvin, Hadley Reynolds, and Trace Cook each scored a total of 4 points.

### Dogs Scare Cats

*By: Miranda DeLeon*  
The 7th grade girls beat the Smyer Bobcats 29-15. Chelsea Hunter had the top score with 18 points. Sabrina Rossiter followed with 9 points, and Olivia Hammonds added 2 points.

### Cats Claw the Dogs

*By: Hannah Hammonds*  
The 8th grade Smyer lady cats beat 8th grade Tahoka lady bulldogs 27-21 on Monday Nov. 14. Miranda DeLeon scored 6 points. Hannah Hammonds followed with 6 points; Taylor Morin scored 4 points; Clarissa Lopez and Andrea Garcez both scored 2 points, and Xenia Charon added 1 point.

## Thank You!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the following donors for supporting my participation in the Susan G. Komen 3-Day for the Cure. It was a very humbling experience walking 60 miles in 3 days with amazing friends. Because of your generosity, not only did it help me reach my goal but it will also help in research to save more lives. Again, thank you for making this mission possible. I could not have done it without you. I plan on joining the Legacy Makers in 2012 because I believe everyone deserves a life time.

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*Rhonda McNeely  
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Tahoka ISD would like to invite parents to a special presentation by nationally known speaker and educator

### Dr. Eric Cupp

as he presents on topics such as:

**What is bullying?  
Why bullies bully**  
and  
**How to help your child deal with a bully**

**When: Thursday, November 17, 2011**  
**Where: Tahoka Housing Authority Center**  
1400 AVE. K  
**Time: 6:00 pm**

Hotdogs and other refreshments will be served

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