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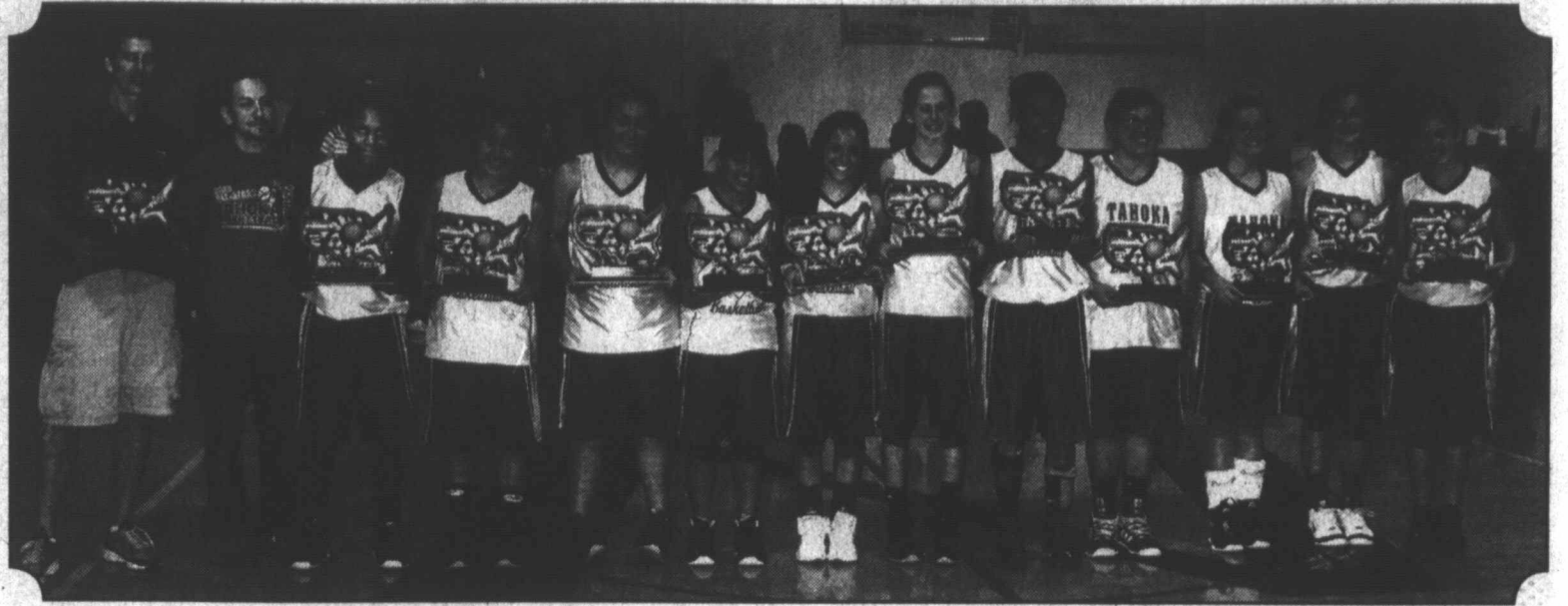
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National Champions!

The Tahoka Girls Senior League team won the Little Dribblers' National Championship title, making their mark in history as the first-ever team from Tahoka to win the national tournament. The championship team, coached by Scott Dimak and Michael DeLeon (left), is comprised of these seventh and eighth grade girls, from left: Chelsea Hunter, Taylor Morin, Xenia Charon, Yulissa Villegas, Miranda DeLeon, Maci Dimak, Alexia Stabeno, Clarissa Lopez, Kelsi Hilger, Hannah Hammonds and Andrea Garcez.



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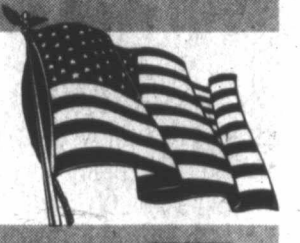


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WILSON VFD HAM DINNER & AUCTION

Sunday, April 22
11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Wilson School Cafeteria
Ham & Sausage with all the fixins!
- Support the Wilson VFD -

Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
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Apr. 5	84	41	
Apr. 6	89	41	
Apr. 7	77	50	
Apr. 8	78	52	
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Precipitation for Mar:			1.03"
Precipitation for Apr:			0.16"
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Hospital benefit auction set here Saturday evening

All area residents are invited to the 32nd Annual Lynn County Hospital District auction and meal this Saturday, April 14, from 5:30-8:00 p.m. at the Lynn County Show Barn on South 9th Street in Tahoka. The annual fundraising event for the hospital, sponsored by Tahoka Rotary Club, is now known as the Billy Tomlinson Memorial Hospital Benefit Auction, in honor of Tomlinson's longtime service to the hospital as a director.

Rotary members say there is still time to donate an item for the auction, by calling any Rotary Club member to pick up the item, or call Julia Allen at the hospital at 998-4533 ext. 383.

Admission to the event is free, but a \$1 donation will buy a door prize ticket to be eligible for the many door prizes that will be given away. Raffle tickets will also be available, offering a chance to win one of five prizes, including a \$300 Visa gift card, two \$50

Thriftway gift cards, and two \$50 gift certificates for gasoline from Witt Butane.

The Silent Auction tables, featuring items to be purchased by handwritten bids, will be conducted from 5:30 until 7:30 p.m. This section also includes children's items, as well as a wide variety of other items.

The meal is different this year, serving chopped brisket sandwiches instead of the usual fish fry, but it will include the famous fried potatoes/onions and coleslaw made by members of the Tahoka Volunteer Fire Department. The meal will be served beginning at approximately 5:30 p.m., at a cost of \$6 per plate. Hospital staff and directors will serve the meal.

Phebe K. Warner Club members will once again sell their popular

homemade ice cream, and Lynn County 4-H youth will have drinks available at the concession stand. All proceeds benefit the hospital.

The main event of the evening will be the live auction of items donated by area merchants and individuals. The live auction begins at 6:00 p.m. and continues until all items are sold, usually closing at approximately 8:00 p.m. Several trip packages will be offered for bidders, including a trip to Barbados for two people (5 nights), a 7-day Caribbean cruise for two people (all inclusive), a Ruidoso trip package, and a San Antonio trip package.

Lots of interesting items have been donated for the auction, including an iPad, flat screen TV, jewelry, outdoor furniture, BBQ grill, tools, artwork and other unique items.

Tahoka girls make history with National Championship title

by JUANELL JONES

They may be only 13-14 years old, but a group of Tahoka girls made their mark in an impressive milestone last weekend, claiming a Little Dribblers' National Championship title for the first time ever in Tahoka's history.

The Tahoka Girls Senior League team won five straight games in a bracket featuring 17 teams who had advanced from regional tournaments, and from now on Tahoka will be listed on the tournament's website and future national tournament booklets as the 2012 National Tournament Continental Division Champions.

The championship team is com-

prised of 11 seventh and eighth grade girls, including Chelsea Hunter, Taylor Morin, Xenia Charon, Yulissa Villegas, Miranda DeLeon, Maci Dimak, Alexia Stabeno, Clarissa Lopez, Kelsi Hilger, Hannah Hammonds and Andrea Garcez. Scott Dimak and Michael DeLeon are their proud coaches.

Many Tahoka teams have made it (See CHAMPIONS, page 2)

Stace DeWayne Holland to be CEO of Lynn County Hospital

Stace DeWayne Holland will be the new Chief Executive Officer at Lynn County Hospital District, announced LCHD Board President Jerry Ford this week. Holland is expected to begin his duties as administrator of the hospital on Monday, April 16, and Ford said he is planning to attend the Billy Tomlinson Memorial Hospital Benefit Auction at the county showbarn this Saturday evening. The auction is the hospital's annual fundraiser, sponsored by Tahoka Rotary Club.

"Mr. Holland has verbally accepted a contract offer, and will begin his duties here on Monday, April 16," Ford told *The News*.

The LCHD Board of Directors met with Holland at a luncheon on April 5 and introduced him to staff, physicians, and board members, and gave him an opportunity to look at the town. Apparently Holland found the town to his liking as he verbally accepted an agreement that evening with the board.

LCHD Directors have called a special board meeting for noon today (Thursday) to officially vote on the administrative contract.

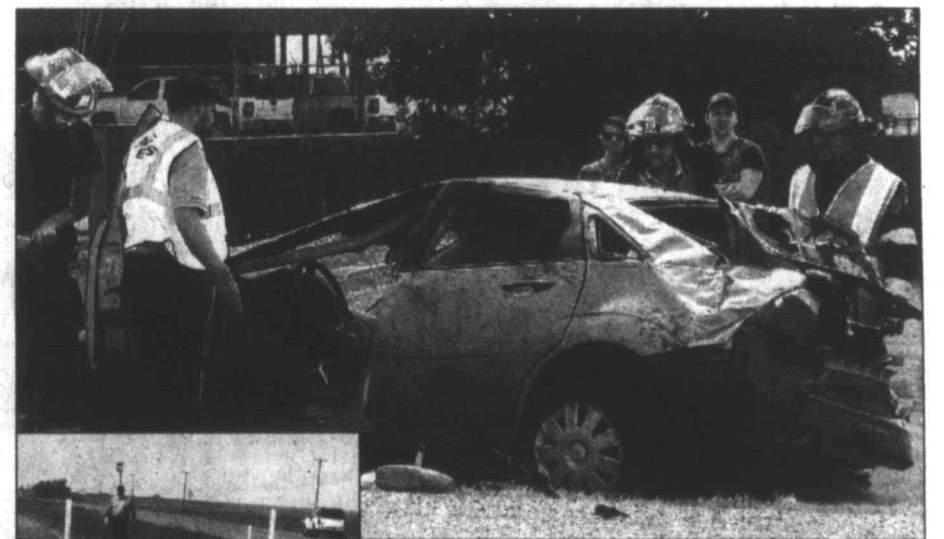
The LCHD board worked with a search firm to seek applicants for the position being vacated by Jim Morris, who told *The News* that his last day at the hospital is April 25. Ford reported

that the search firm narrowed the candidate list from 60-plus applicants, and directors interviewed six candidates for the position in recent weeks. Holland was among three final candidates for the position here, and in fact was the only candidate whom directors interviewed a second time, according to the board president.

Holland is coming to Tahoka from Muskogee, Oklahoma, where he was involved in contract work for hospitals. He lists his employment as CEO/CFO of Sac Osage Hospital in Osceola, MO from 2011 to the present, and as interim administrator for Texas Oncology in Wichita Falls from 2010-2011. He was CEO of Sayre Memorial Hospital in Sayre, OK from 2009-2010, and Vice President of Operations at Sheridan HealthCorp, Inc. in Plano, Texas from 2008-2009. He was Chief Operating Officer of the Cardiology Clinic of Muskogee, OK from 2006-2007, and has held numerous other positions in previous years.

He earned his Bachelor of Business Administration: Management and Health Care in 1990 from Oklahoma Baptist University, and his Master of Administrative Health degree in 2002 from Midwestern State University.

He and his wife, Carla, have three children.



Fatal wreck ... A 71-year-old Lubbock man died when his 2005 Ford shown here overturned after a collision on U.S. 87 about 11 miles north of Tahoka Monday afternoon. He was pronounced dead at the scene. The other photo here shows debris from the Ford as it crossed the median and far side of the highway. In the far right background is the other vehicle involved in the accident, a 2005 Chevrolet SUV. (LCN PHOTOS by Juanell Jones)

Wreck north of Tahoka fatal to Lubbock man

An accident on U.S. 87 about 11 miles north of Tahoka Monday killed James Edward Marrs, 71, of Lubbock.

Television station KCBD of Lubbock reported DPS troopers as saying Marrs was northbound driving a 2005 Ford when it was struck from behind by a 2005 Chevrolet SUV driven by a 17-year-old male Tahoka High School student.

The impact about 3:30 p.m. reportedly caused Marrs' car to overturn into the center median and cross the southbound lanes, coming to rest in a ditch on the west side of U.S. 87 near the entrance to the Poka Lambro office building. Marrs, who was not wearing a seatbelt, was pronounced dead at the scene by Justice of the Peace Nancy Guilliama of Tahoka.

The young man driving the SUV was treated at the scene, but had no injuries requiring hospitalization, according to officers. Investigation is continuing in the incident, with possible charges pending.

Sheriff's officers this week were investigating theft of a flatbed trailer from near a house on U.S. 87 near the Lubbock County line. The trailer was valued at \$1,500 by the owner, Richard Stewart of Fort Hancock, who said he had not been to the house in the last four months. A building at the location also was burglarized, and stolen was a Bush Hog brush mower valued at \$350.

Tahoka Police Sunday spoke with several females involved in a domestic disturbance at a residence and also in a fight at a business location. Six females, ranging in age from 15 to 33 were involved. No charges were filed.

Police also arrested one man for public intoxication last week.

Eighteen persons were being held in Lynn County jail early this week, with five of those held for Gaines County. Latest arrests were for theft of property less than \$500, two persons for public intoxication, driving while intoxicated third offense or more, and judgment on DWI second offense.



Look what we found! ... Lezariah Rodriguez, Isalah DeLeon and Eva Nickel have lots of Easter eggs in their baskets, finding them on the grounds of Poka Lambro headquarters office north of Tahoka. Poka Lambro hosts an annual Easter egg hunt for Tahoka Pre-Kindergarten classes, complete with a big Easter Bunny who visits with the children.

4JL Run set here Saturday

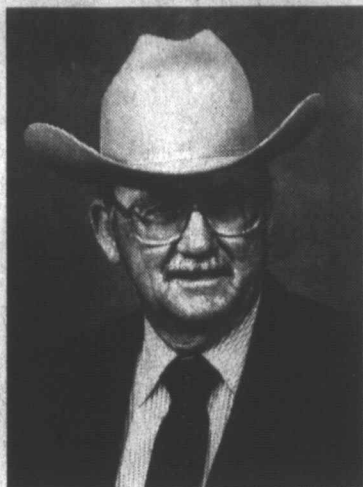
The 4JL Run will be held in Tahoka this Saturday, April 14, with all proceeds benefitting the Joell Lowdermilk Memorial Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 1368, Tahoka, TX 79373. The 4JL Raider Run will start from the Tahoka High School football field (Kelly Field), at the corner of N. 4th and Ave. Q. The 10K event starts at 8:00 a.m., a 5K run starts at 8:30 a.m., and the 1 mile run starts at 9:00 a.m.

For more information, contact John Luna at 806-561-5160.

New Home School Menu

- April 16-20**
Monday: French toast sticks
Tuesday: Breakfast burrito
Wednesday: Cinnamon roll
Thursday: Biscuit sausage
Friday: Muffins
- Lunch**
Monday: Hot dog, oven fried potatoes, apple & orange smiles, sherbet cup
Tuesday: Carne guisada, refried beans, salad, flour tortillas, orange smiles
Wednesday: Grilled cheese sandwich, tomato soup, celery & sun butter, crackers, apple
Thursday: Taco salad, corn, snowball salad, brownie
Friday: Hamburger, trimmings, western beans, peaches, crispy cereal treat

Obituaries



Robert Louis Warren

Robert Warren, 88, of Tahoka died Saturday, April 7, 2012. Services will be held at 10:00 a.m. Friday, April 13, 2012 at First Baptist Church of Tahoka with Rev. Paul Kenley officiating and Bro. Bill Fuller, assisting. Burial will be in the Tahoka Cemetery under the direction of Combest Family Funeral Homes.

Robert was born April 1, 1924, in Joe Bailey (O'Donnell) to Nora Ann Hallmark and William Robert Warren and was the fifth of six children. He moved to Tahoka a few years later where he graduated from high school. Robert joined the U. S. Navy in 1943 and served for two years, stationed in Corpus Christi. He married Leta Pearl Martin in 1947.

Robert continued his education at Texas Tech University, receiving his BS in Agriculture Education. While at Tech, he served on the Livestock Judging Team, was a member of The National Block and Bridle Club, and a member of the Alpha Zeta Fraternity. He taught school for a semester in Woodrow, Texas and then farmed in Wilcox, Arizona before returning to Tahoka, where he farmed until retirement.

Throughout his years of farming he served on the Farmer's Coop Board, was President of Grower's Seed Association, and was honored as Lynn Country Conservation Farmer of the Year. In 1972 Robert was chosen to go to Japan, Korea, Taiwan and Hong Kong as a liaison for the U.S. Department of Agriculture and Cotton

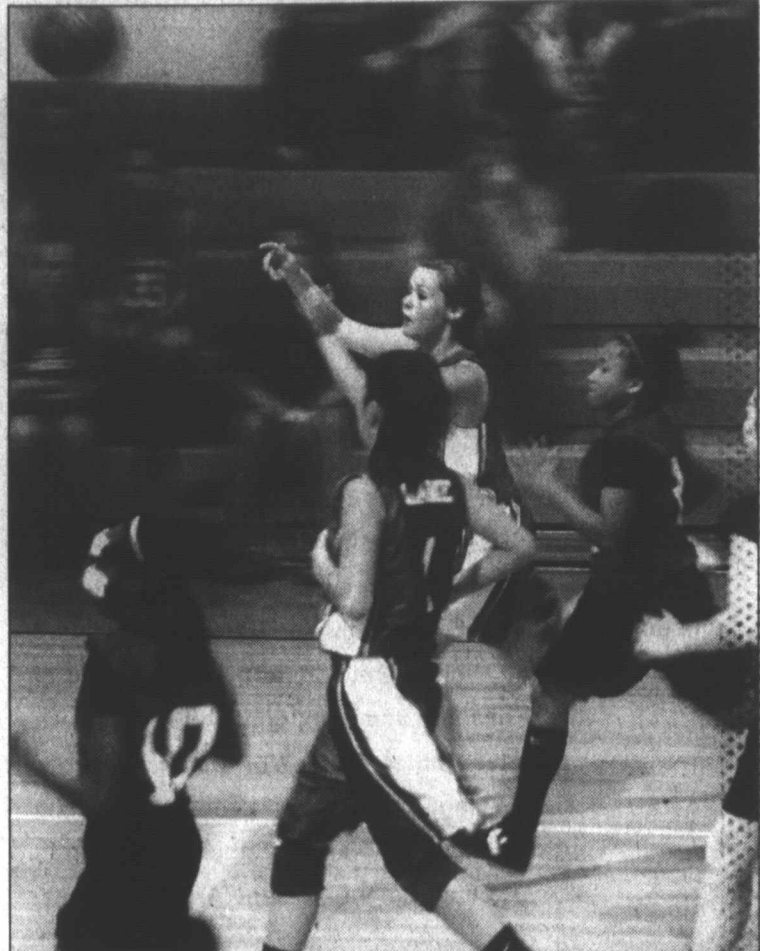
Council International. Robert was a member of the First Baptist Church of Tahoka where he served as a Deacon and was on the Building Fund Committee to build the new sanctuary. He also served the community as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Tahoka ISD. One of his many accomplishments was being honored as a Life Member in the American Angus Association, which fulfilled his hobby of raising Black Angus cattle.

Survivors include his wife, Leta; four children, Charlotte Huffaker and husband John of Amarillo/ Lubbock, Martin Warren and wife Jill of Floydada, Suzanne Baker and husband John of Tahoka, Weldon Warren and wife Ann of Lubbock; 13 grandchildren, Shannon Huffaker and husband Tom Urbana of San Francisco, CA, Lezlie Warren Kuebker and husband Joe of San Antonio, Layce Huffaker Cahill and husband Kevin of Denver, CO, Jacoby Baker and wife Heather of Navarre, FL, Will Warren of Austin, Rebecca Warren Dunn and husband Shawn of Oklahoma City, OK, Warren Baker of NC, Robert Baker of Lubbock, Daniel Baker and wife Kasie of Virginia Beach, VA, Tess Warren of Austin, Erin, J.R., and Timothy Warren of Lubbock; and seven great-grandchildren; Kaleb, Reagan, and Luke Baker, Nathaniel and Elizabeth Urbana, Grace Cahill, and Heidi Kuebker. Other survivors include two sisters, Verdine Baker of Lubbock and Vasti Pipkin of Clovis, NM and one brother, Billy Jack Warren and wife Shirley of Lubbock; and sister-in-law Doris Warren of Houston.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, Wayne and a sister, Alma Faye Hale.

The family suggests Memorials to be made to Lynnwood Assisted Living, 1801 Country Club Road, Tahoka, TX 79373 or First Baptist Church, PO Box 1547, Tahoka, TX 79373.

Please join us in celebrating the life of Robert at www.combestfamilyfuneralhomes.com. (PAID)



Champions in action ... Andrea Garcez (foreground) and Kelsi Hilger (in back) are pictured in action in one of the Tahoka Girls Senior League team wins in the Little Dribblers' National Tournament, which Tahoka went on to win. The girls won five straight games to claim the Continental Division Championship title.

Champions ... (continued from page 1)

to the national tournament in the past, including this team, but this is the first time a Tahoka team has actually won first place. And, apparently the third time is the charm, as this was the third time this group of girls has made it to the Little Dribblers' National tourney, playing in Fairfield two years ago and in Brownfield last year.

Dimak and DeLeon have coached this team throughout the past several years, and DeLeon also coaches them year round, taking them to Lubbock and surrounding towns to play in AAU tournaments, as the Shockers and the Stars.

"We are so grateful to them for giving of their time and knowledge freely to help our girls reach their potential. They are very much appreciated," a team parent told *The News*.

To make it to the national tourney, the team first had to win the regional tournament in Farwell, which included O'Donnell, Farwell, and Bovina. O'Donnell was runner up, so they also advanced to the nationals.

The Little Dribblers' National Tournament was held April 4-7 in Nocona, TX. Tahoka girls played in the Continental Division, for teams from Class A and AA schools. The Tahoka girls' opening game was easily won, beating Hull Daisetta 38-4, and they won the second round 40-25 over Franklin.

The next round was a closer contest, with Tahoka playing Buffalo (whom they later heard from a tournament official were the favored team to win).

"The game against Buffalo was very intense," said Coach Dimak. "We were leading at halftime 21 to 13, but their coach made a few adjustments and tied us at one point in the second half. After settling down and figuring out what they were doing, our girls fought and hung in there for a five point win, 44-39," he added.

In the fourth and fifth games, Tahoka actually faced the same team, beating Alba Golden 30-17

to advance to the Championship game the next night. Alba Golden moved to the loser's bracket but won their game to come back into the championship bracket, where they faced the fierce Tahoka team once again. Tahoka won by about the same margin, 41-27, to win the championship title.

"The first game against Alba Golden, we started out flat and fell behind 7 to 2, but our girls turned the heat up on them and we cruised to a win," said Dimak. "We were actually preparing for a rematch with Buffalo but Alba Golden surprised them and squeaked out the win by one point to meet us in the final.

"Our rematch with Alba Golden for the championship went almost identical to the first game. We started out slow but showed them who the best team in the whole tournament was," said the proud coach. Both Buffalo and Alba Golden school districts are 2A, making 1A Tahoka's teams impressive wins.

"The community of Tahoka was well represented as our fans supported us in great numbers, especially the championship game as we had several who couldn't make it during the week that drove to see us play on Saturday. Every game our fans outnumbered the opponents. I can't say enough how much we the coaches and players appreciate them. After the championship game they filled the gym floor with congrats as we celebrated all together," said Dimak.

"This was a very big accomplishment in the fact that (although it's called a national tourney) we beat everyone from all over the state of Texas, 17 total teams who had to advance from their own regional tourney. This will be a moment they will remember the rest of their lives. I can't say how much I appreciate every one of these girls. They are very talented on the court but I have to say they are also good kids who represent Tahoka well. We are all so very proud of them," he added.

Olivia Grace Rodriguez

was born
 Tuesday, March 27, 2012
 to
 Virginia Aleman &
 Nick Rodriguez

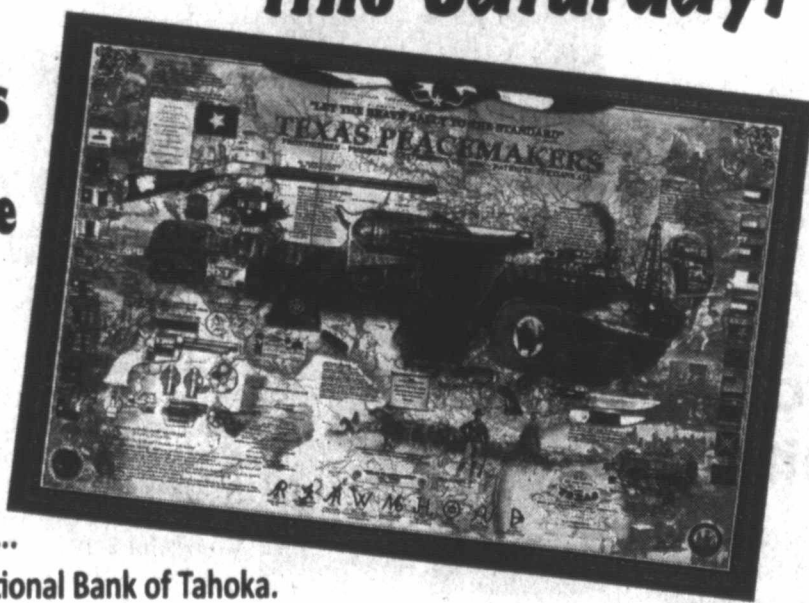
She weighed 8 lbs., 11 oz.,
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GRANDPARENTS: Manuel & Anita Garcia
 and Elena Martinez

Don't miss the Billy Tomlinson Memorial Hospital Benefit Auction this Saturday!

Lots of items will be up for bid at the auction...

... including this framed print depicting interesting facts about Texas Peacemakers ... donated by First National Bank of Tahoka.



Don't miss out on all the fun at the festival, starting at 5:30 p.m. Saturday at the Lynn County Show Barn.

The Tahoka Volunteer Fire Department will be cooking ... chopped brisket sandwich dinners will include Famous Fireman fries and coleslaw ... for only \$6.

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"Jake" Diggs

Memorial services for Dennis "Jake" Diggs, 56, formerly of Tahoka, will be held on Friday, April 13, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at the Cowboy Church of the South Plains, 406 114th Street in Lubbock. He died on April 9, 2012 after a long battle with lung disease.

He was born July 27, 1955 to Lee and Billie Diggs in Lubbock. He was in law enforcement for many years but was always a cowboy at heart.

He is survived by one loving daughter, Jackie Diggs-Carroll of Plano; two brothers, David and Mike Diggs and their spouses, children, and grandchildren. Jake was well respected and is leaving behind many loving and caring friends.

Memorials can be made to the Cowboy Church of the South Plains, 406 114th Street, Lubbock, TX. 79404-8040. (PAID)

Pam's having a birthday ... the big 5-0!
She's still a cutie ... but now we're in trouble ... Oh No!

We love you - Carson, Kaycee, Lee and Dad

Chicken Spaghetti Lunch Fundraiser

Hosted by Kristin Box
 All proceeds go toward her Medical Mission Trip to Ecuador this summer.
Sunday, April 15
 Tahoka Church of Christ
 at 12:30 pm
 Donations per plate

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The latest mule deer count at Tahoka Lake Pasture is 21.
 Five are bucks with antlers in a group slightly separate from the other group of 16 doe, fawn and juveniles.

Your gifts to Tahoka Lake Pasture or the J.C. Calm Foundation are tax deductible.

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NATIONAL CHAMPIONS!



Tahoka Little Dribblers Senior Girls Division

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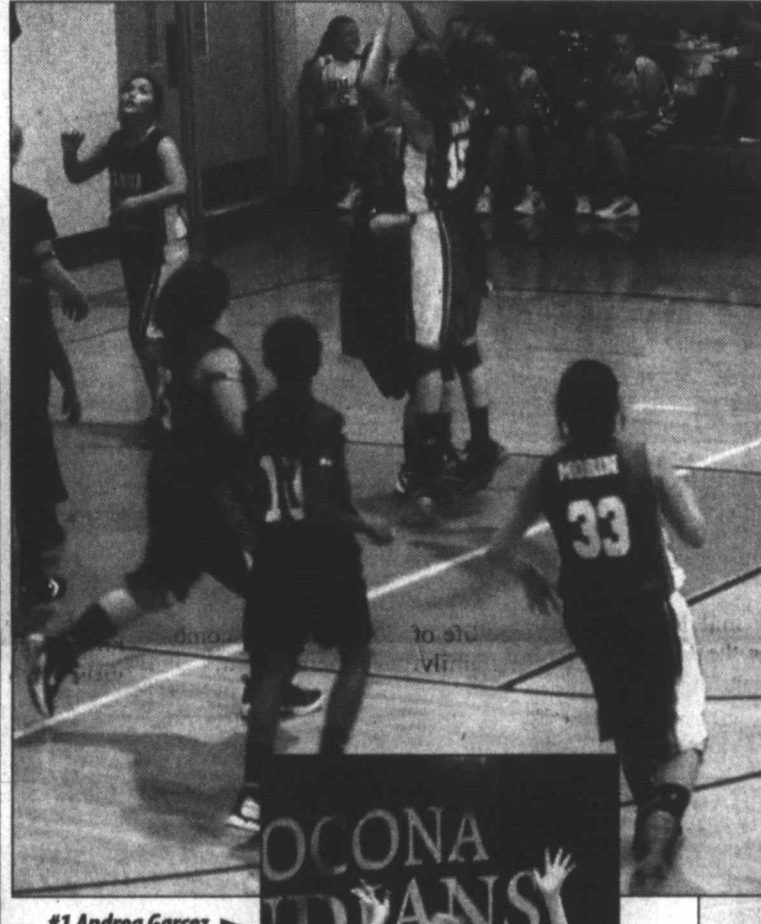
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- #32 Xenia Charon
- #24 Yulissa Villegas
- #21 Miranda DeLeon
- #15 Maci Dimak
- #10 Alexa Stabeno
- #13 Clarissa Lopez
- #03 Kelsi Hilger
- #02 Hannah Hammonds
- #01 Andrea Garcez

Coaches: Scott Dimak and Michael DeLeon



◀ Taylor Morin shooting and Miranda DeLeon and Hannah Hammonds #2 looking on.

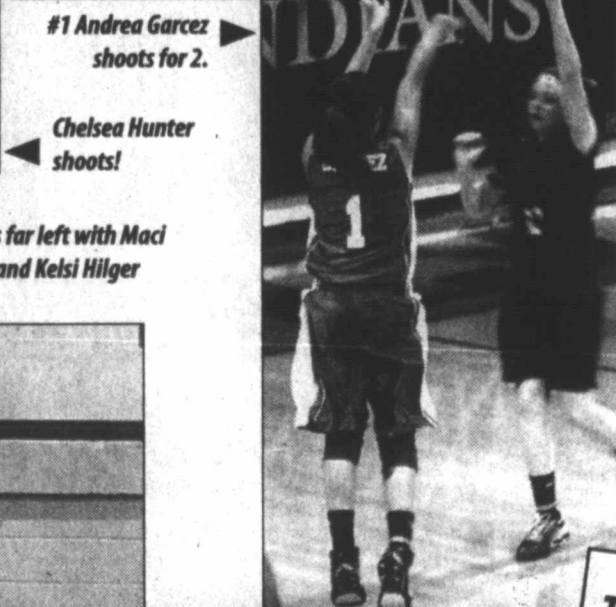


◀ Xenia Charon #32 is far left, with Maci Dimak #15 in center (arms up) and #33 Taylor Morin at bottom right.

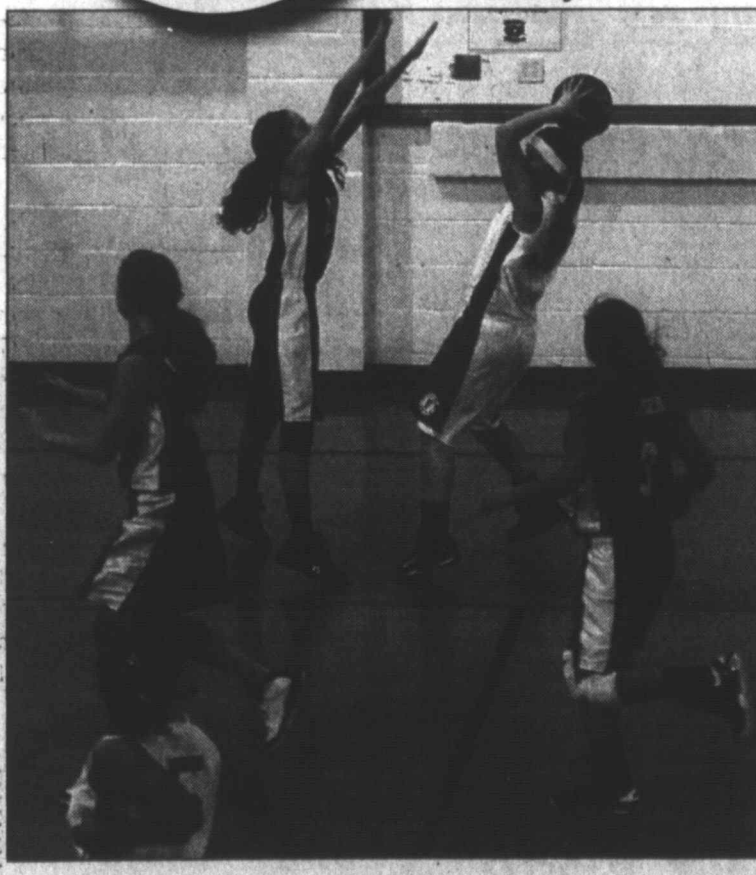


◀ Yuli Villegas shoots with #50 Chelsea Hunter and #10 Alexa Stabeno looking on.

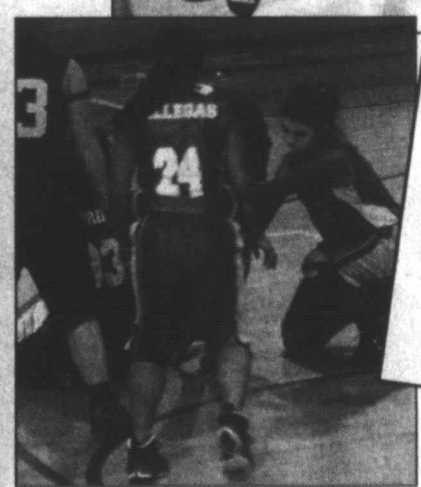
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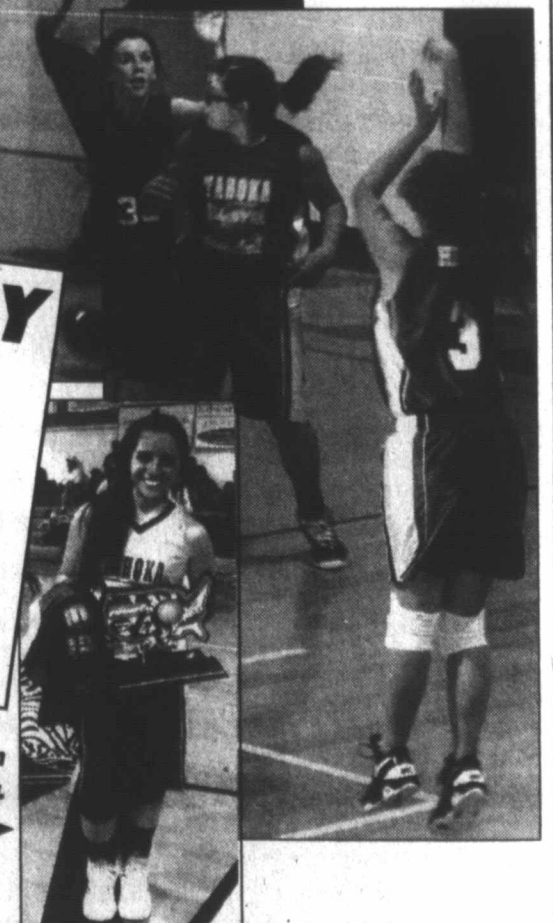
▶ #1 Andrea Garcez shoots for 2.
◀ Chelsea Hunter shoots!



▶ Hannah Hammonds is far left with Maci Dimak (arms up) and Kelsi Hilger at bottom right.



▲ Yuli Villegas #24 and Andrea Garcez at right.



▶ #21 Miranda DeLeon with her trophy.

These girls made **HISTORY** for Tahoka by winning **FIRST PLACE** at the National Little Dribblers Tournament held April 4-7 in Nocona, Tx.

A big "Thank You" to our photographer, Michelle Williams.

Congratulations!

We are so proud of our girls and coaches! Love ~ your families.

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 Scott, Rebecca & McKenzie Dimak
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 Robert, Nina, Mickey & Koby Lopez,
 Nana & Papa

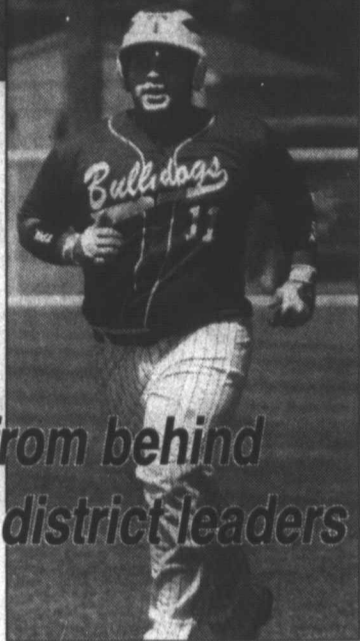
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 Sandra & Mark Parker
 Shi, Mom, Dillon, Aly, Marissa, Ernest,
 Eric, Stef, Talon, Pat & Sonya
 Amador, Lupe, Junior, Amia,
 Kim & Richard



Slide ... Tahoka's Zach Garcia slides underneath the tag on second base in Friday's come-from-behind win over O'Donnell.

Grand Slam ...
John Ryan Barrientez hit a grand slam in the bottom of the 6th inning to put Tahoka ahead 11-9 over O'Donnell. The win boosted Tahoka to the top of district standings, with three games remaining.



Bulldogs come from behind for big win, now district leaders

by James Garrett

Friday afternoon's district contest between the O'Donnell Eagles and the Tahoka Bulldogs was one of the most exciting, and for the Bulldogs, the most rewarding game of the season. With the 11-9 victory, not only did the Bulldogs avenge the 18-8 loss that they endured at the hands of the Eagles earlier in the season, but with the win, Tahoka now sits alone in first place of district 3-A with three games left on the district slate.

The game began with several Bulldog miscues on pop-ups on the infield and in the outfield. O'Donnell quickly capitalized on the Bulldogs' mistakes and built an 8-1 lead going into the bottom half of the 4th inning.

The Bulldogs were able to chip away at the 7 run deficit by plating 4 runs in the bottom half of the 4th.

In the top of the 6th the Bulldogs misplayed another pop up on the infield off the bat of O'Donnell shortstop Wade Gass. But with strong pitching by freshman, Dom Herrera, O'Donnell could only score one run, and Tahoka would find themselves in a late inning hole, down 9-5 going into the bottom half of the 6th with time quickly running out.

The Bulldogs' bottom of the 6th did not start out eventful, but it would end that way. The Eagles quickly got the first two outs of the inning on a fly out to center and a bases loaded fielder's choice at third. With two on for

the Bulldogs and two outs, Tahoka would hit a routine ground ball to Wade Gass at shortstop. Gass routinely flipped the ball to the second baseman for the final out of the inning, but the ball was dropped, and the inning would continue for the Bulldogs.

Bulldog designated hitter Caelan Decker would walk on four pitches to load the bases again for the Bulldogs, and center fielder Trystan Hilger would follow with a bases loaded walk of his own, fouling off several pitches in the process. That would set the stage for what would happen next.

With the score 9-7 in favor of O'Donnell, third baseman John Ryan Barrientez would launch a 1-1 fastball to deep left center field for a game-winning grand slam, turning a 2-run deficit into a 2-run lead for Tahoka. The Bulldogs would shut the door in the 7th to preserve the 11-9 lead and get a pivotal district win in dramatic fashion.

The home run was Barrientez' second grand slam of the season and couldn't have come at a better time for the Bulldogs. Tahoka starter Dom Herrera would pitch all 7 innings and get his second win of the season.

The Bulldogs are 13-7 on the year and now 8-1 in district play. Their next game will be Friday, April 13, at 5 p.m. with Tahoka hosting the Borden County Coyotes.

Annual Baseball Alumni game set here April 14

The 2nd Annual Tahoka Baseball Alumni and Day at the Park will be held Saturday, April 14. The Homerun Derby starts at 12 noon. There is a \$5 entry fee for the Derby and prizes for 1st thru 3rd, will be awarded. The Alumni game will begin at 1:30. The event is open to the public for a full day of fun and food.

This is also a fundraiser for the Tahoka High School Baseball Team. Anyone interested in donating prizes or funds for the team may contact Coach Garrett at Tahoka High School, 561-4538.

Umpire clinic set here April 11

An umpire clinic for softball and baseball will be held on Wednesday, April 11 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. at the Lyntegar meeting room. Anyone interested in umpiring Softball or Baseball is welcome to attend this clinic.

For questions or additional information, please contact Drew Stone at 773-9960 or Michelle at 928-8269.

Wilson School Menu

April 16-20

- Monday: Cinnamon roll
 - Tuesday: Burritos
 - Wednesday: French toast sticks
 - Thursday: Sausage on a stick
 - Friday: Hash browns, eggs, toast
- Lunch**
- Monday: Pizza, broccoli salad, corn on the cob, apple sauce, chocolate cake
 - Tuesday: Hamburgers, trimmings, carrot dippers, rice crispy treats
 - Wednesday: Fish, mac & cheese, salad, roll, fruit
 - Thursday: Beef & bean burrito, Spanish rice, corn, apple
 - Friday: Chicken alfredo, green beans, garlic toast, brownie, ice cream, peaches

Wilson Volunteer Fire Dept.

Ham Dinner and Auction!

Sunday, April 22
11:30 am to 1:00 pm
at Wilson School Cafeteria
1411 Green Avenue in Wilson, Texas
Meal \$7 adults; \$4 children.
Includes Ham & Sausage with all the fixin's, dessert and a drink.
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Easter sunrise service ... Sunday morning, Tahoka pastors, pictured from left, Steve Bonner, Church of Christ, Bill Fuller, First Baptist Church, and Vernon Baker, First United Methodist Church, each delivered a message for the Easter Sunrise Service held at T-Bar Ranch. Approximately 80 area residents attended the service.

Dimak, Liggins take district champion titles in track meet

Two Tahoka High School athletes claimed District Champion titles at the District Track Meet held in Sundown April 3-5. McKenzie Dimak was District Champion in the girls 400m dash, with a time of 1:04.62, and Britney Liggins was District Champion in the girls 300m hurdles, with a time of 46.87 seconds - a full three seconds faster than the second place finisher from Smyer at 49.95 (Haley Fowler).

Liggins was second place finisher in the girls 100m hurdles with a time of 15.86 seconds, just 4 tenths of a second behind Smyer's Fowler who took first in this event. Hannah Thomas was also a second place finisher, in the girls pole vault event, with a height of 9'06", and Dastine White claimed second place in

the girls shot put event, with a distance of 31'07". Kordell Baker was a second place finisher in the boys 800m run, with a time of 2:09.01.

Taking third place in the District Meet was Ian Zamarron in the boys 100m dash, with a time of 11:35 seconds.

The boys 4x100m relay team finished fourth in district with a time of 45.93 seconds. The team includes Traivone Smith, Preston Hammonds, Ke'Shawn Hood and Isiah Vega. The boys 4x200m relay team also finished fourth, which included Smith, Hammonds, Ian Zamarron and Kordell Baker. Their time was 1:38.85. Luke Hawthorne took fourth place in the boys pole vault, with a height of 9'06". Taya Bishop was a fourth place finisher in the girls high jump

(4'06") and in the discus throw (85'04").

In fifth place, the girls 4x100m relay team of Ma'Kayla Tillman, McKenzie Dimak, Sarah Freitag, and Madison Lockaby ran with a time of 54.44. Trystan Hilger finished fifth in the boys 110m hurdles with a time of 16.90.

Tahoka girls were sixth of 11 teams overall in the district meet, and the boys were 8th overall.

Top finishers will advance to the Area Track Meet held today (Thursday) at Sundown. The Regional Track Meet is April 27-28 in Levelland.

Go Bulldogs and Lady Dogs!

Bulldogs drop Chiefs 14-4 Tuesday

The Tahoka Bulldogs baseball team turned in another solid effort Tuesday afternoon, knocking off the Crosbyton Chiefs in a district contest, 14-4, and improving their district mark to 8-2 and overall record to 14-7.

Tahoka scored early and often, collecting 11 hits and scoring 8 runs throughout the contest. Sophomore Trystan

Hilger, who struck out 6 batters and only gave up 2 earned runs, backed Tahoka on the mound. Hilger overpowered Crosbyton batters all game en route to his 7th win of the season.

The Bulldog bats were powerful in the game, but none as powerful as Junior, John Ryan Barrientez. Barrientez hit his third home run of the season on Tuesday, this one a 2-run shot

down the left field line. He also chipped in a double and a single, going 3 for 3 with 5 RBIs on the day.

The Bulldogs look to build on their six game winning streak on Friday, April 13, when they welcome the visiting Borden County Coyotes for a district contest with the first pitch scheduled for 5 p.m.

woodwork

by dalton wood

A STORY that showed up one day last week on my computer's internet home page said that a "perfectly preserved 10,000-year-old woolly mammoth" had been uncovered by scientists in Siberia. The story was brief, and left a lot of questions unanswered.

For instance, how did these scientists ever locate this creature? And what were they doing in Siberia in the first place? I know nothing about Siberia except it's in or near Russia and it's extremely cold, maybe worse than Minnesota, and therefore not a place anybody would want to go to. Siberia is right near the top of my list of Places I Don't Want To Visit, just above Chicago and Lower Slobbovia.

A mammoth, now extinct, was sort of the hairy ancestor of an elephant, I think. The story said the one they uncovered in Siberia had still-intact tufts of hair, and apparently was about three years old when it was killed, probably by lions. The researchers named the mammoth "Yuka." There was a picture of the ugly thing along with the story, and I think they should have just named it "Yuk."

IT WAS reported in a newspaper article a few days ago that farmers in New Mexico and Texas are getting older. Yes, I know, who isn't? But what the article meant is that the age of the average farmer in these states is now almost 60, because younger people are not lining up to get into farming as much as they once were.

The reason for this, I suppose, is that farming, if you do it yourself, can be hard work, and work is an ugly four-letter word to many younger people these days. Thankfully, not all - there still are many young people who embrace the idea that doing a good job at whatever task you have has its rewards. And it's in these people we have hope for the future.

THE LARGE PERSON on Ave. P says: "If swimming helps keep your body trim, explain the whale."

T-Bar Country Club Membership Drive 2012

New member price: \$60/month* (plus tax) with NO initiation fee! *Reduced price good through April 2012.
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Saturday, April 14th

5:30-8:00 p.m.

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District Deputy Grand Master visits Lodge ... On April 3, 2012 D.D.G.M. Johnny Davis of Plains visited the Tahoka Masonic Lodge #1041. Pictured, back row from left, are Wylie Hodges, S.D. of Post, Danny Benson, Dist. Inst. of Denver City, Randy Byram, Clinton McPherson, Charles Bonner, and Danny Yarboro, W.M. of Post. Front row, Troy Moore, Tom Lusk, Gene Ingle, Leighton Knox, Johnny Davis, D.D.G.M., Pete Platah, Ed Folle, and Milt Draper.



CPR training ... Firefighters with the Wilson Volunteer Fire Dept. are pictured during training in a Basic Life Support/First Aid course at the Wilson VFD station.

Wilson VFD members re-certify, upgrade level of CPR training

Wilson Volunteer Fire Department firefighters re-certified and upgraded their level of CPR in training held April 2-3. The Wilson department hosted CPR and First Aid training, made possible in part from a HB2604 grant from the Texas Forest Service.

"In striving to improve services to the citizens in Wilson and the department's response area, the department upgraded the firefighter's previous CPR certifications to Basic Life Support (BLS). BLS level CPR training will allow firefighters to better assist EMS personnel

and other health professionals in emergency events," said a VFD spokesperson.

The BLS and First Aid training is also an objective within the State Fireman's and Fire Marshall's firefighter certification program. Firefighters completing all objectives and modules qualify to apply and receive Firefighter I & II certification, certifications that are identical to the department's professional-paid counterparts.



Wilson fireman completes training ... Wilson volunteer fireman David Maldonado was at the Abilene Fire Training Grounds, at one of the State Fireman's and Fire Marshall's annual academy training sessions.

Wilson firefighter completes training at fire academy

On March 10, David Maldonado with Wilson VFD graduated from the firefighter academy and is eligible to apply for the State Fireman's and Fire Marshall's (SFFMA) Introductory - Module 1 Certification. The SFFMA Mid-West Texas District is based out of Abilene, and runs the annual academy. This was the district's sixth academy.

The academy began January 14 and met every other Saturday, hosted at various district participating departments. During the first four classes some subjects covered were building construction, SCBA, ladders, first aid/CPR, fire hose and rescue operations. The academy concluded on March 10th, where each trainee displayed the use of multiple firefighter skills and were required to complete a victim rescue scenario from a simulated multistory house fire.

Upon completion of all skills and scenario, trainees were allowed to graduate and received certificates and class shirts during de-briefing.



Ready on 1st ... Tahoka's Gretchen Henley making the play at 1st base in the Lady Bulldogs softball game against Lockney. Lockney won 8-1.

State Science Fair...

New Home student Lea Gustafson participated in the State Science Fair, March 28-April 1, in San Antonio, earning 2nd Place in the Electrical/Mechanical Engineering Junior High Division with her project on Wave Power. She is also eligible to submit her project to the National Science Fair, Broadcom Masters by placing in the top 10 percent in the junior high projects.

Students recognized at TISD board meeting

The Tahoka ISD Board of Trustees met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on April 9, recognizing several students in academic and athletic endeavors before conducting their business meeting.

The FCCLA students McKenzie Forsythe, Virginia Lara, Gabriella Pando, Christen Ivey, and Carly Wright presented their programs on Bullying and Event Planning - Baby Reveal Party to the Board. Their presentation will be used in their contest at the State FCCLA contest this week. The board then recognized two

young men, Zach Garcia as a first team and Logan Tekell, second team of the Texas High School Coaches Association Class IA-All State Academic Team in football and basketball. Chance Cook was recognized for being named as a honorable mention member to the Texas Associated Press Sports Editors Class A All State Football Team.

The school board approved the consent agenda, which included the minutes of the previous meeting, the financial report, and extending a teacher contract for a staff member whose contract was not extended in a previous meeting.

The board approved Texas Association School Boards Policy Update 92, as well as the 2012-2013 school calendar. School will start on Monday, August 27, 2012 and will end on Friday, May 31, 2013.

The Board approved a new college readiness program called AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination). This will be a new TEA approved elective that will be taught starting next year.

"The AVID program will

start with next year's 8th and 9th grade students," explained Supt. Steve Burleson. "The mission of the AVID program is to close the achievement gap and prepare students for college readiness," he added.

The Resolution Concerning High Stakes Standardized Testing of Texas Public School Students was approved by the Board. "This resolution is stating that Texas has become too reliant on standardized, high stakes testing as the only assessment of learning that is used by both the state and federal accountability system. The resolution is asking for a more cost efficient use of the Texas accountability system and to develop one that measures multiple assessments of our students and develops a system that will bring the joy of learning to our students," said Supt. Burleson.

The Tahoka ISD enrollment report through Friday, April 9th was given. Currently, there are 590 students enrolled in Pre-kindergarten thru grade 12, which is the same enrollment in the March report.

The school board election is scheduled for May 12, with early voting slated April 30-May 8.

The next regular school board meeting was set for Wednesday, May 9, at 5:30 p.m.

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<p>Wilson St. John Lutheran Church 13th & Dickson • Wilson, TX 79381 (806) 628-6573</p> <p>Sharing Christ's message of forgiveness and salvation with our community and beyond.</p> <p>LEADERS: REV. LESLIE LEWIS TONDA FREITAG, PLM</p> <p>Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship - 11:15 a.m.</p>	<p>Love versus Anger READ EPHESIANS 5:25-33 Everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another. John 13:35 (NRSV)</p> <p>During a tense moment between us, my wife's eyes filled with fear. I thought I had been controlling my anger, but I could not argue with her fear-filled eyes. I was destroying my wife and children. Desperate for help, I cried out to God either to give me freedom from anger or to take my life.</p> <p>God answered through my pastor. After praying for me, he said, "You need to stop focusing on overcoming anger and learn to love." But I didn't know how to love. In desperation, I asked God once again - this time to teach me to love. God led me to passages such as 1 Corinthians 13, and I continued to pray that God would take out my heart of stone and replace it with a heart of flesh. (See Ezek. 11:19 and 36:26.) Through instruction and example in scripture, God faithfully showed me the roots of my anger. But more importantly, God showed me how to deal with those roots by teaching me how to love.</p> <p>As love increased in my heart, it showed in my actions, and my anger decreased. When I obey God and love my wife - by showing patience and kindness, by enduring all things, and by otherwise showing Christ's love - my anger diminishes. Maybe that is why he commandments can be summed up in a word - Love. When we love others, there is no room for anger.</p> <p>PRAYER: Lord, forgive us when we fail to love those you put in our lives. Help us each day to show your love to others. Amen.</p> <p>Robert C. Camenisch (Kentucky) ... from The Upper Room (www.upperroom.org)</p>	<p>New Home Church of Christ St. address • Box 188 • New Home, TX 79383 (806) 924-7579</p> <p>MINISTER: VICTOR ELLISON</p> <p>Bible Class - 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service - 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening Service - 6:00 p.m. Mid-Week Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>First Baptist Church 1701 Ave. K • Box 1547 • Tahoka, TX 79373 (806) 561-4557 • www.fbctahoka.org</p> <p>Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service - 10:45 a.m. SNL (Youth) - 6:00 p.m. Sunday</p> <p>Activities For All Ages - Call For Complete Schedule</p> <p>There's A Place For Me at FBC!</p>
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Let's paint ... These Tahoka Elementary teachers were happy to start painting the walls at the "Butterfly Blessings for Laela Duran" project early this week. They are, from left, Sonia Colon, Miranda Stice and Judy Sanders. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

Butterfly Blessings - Updated Timeline

The following timeline has been released by Butterfly Blessings committee members, for work on the Duran house at 1318 Ave. K. Volunteers are needed, and welcome to help in any area. The timeline includes work that was scheduled to have been done Easter weekend as well as the early part of this week.

- April 6, 7** - Forms and prep for concrete garage, driveway, walkway and porches
- April 9, 10, & 12** - Painting at 5:00 p.m. until ? Please bring brushes, rollers, pans, etc., anything you can add. (Elementary staff - we are counting on you all for this!)
- April 13-14** - Install doors and trim, cabinets, finish electrical, HVAC, phone, fireplace
- Week of April 16** - Pour concrete, begin brick laying
- April 20-21** - Install floors, countertops, finish plumbing
- April 27-28** - landscaping weekend (come on out all you landscapers!!)
- May 13** - 5:00 p.m.: House blessing, Open House, and volunteer/partners recognition dinner



Easter sunrise ... Three people on horseback, one carrying a cross with "He is risen" across it, came riding up the Tahoka Lake Pasture to a gathering of people celebrating Easter at sunrise last Sunday. Wilson First Baptist Church pastor Billy Parmèr gave a short message and scripture reading and Les and Nancy Walker provided music.

City approves bid for oil/gas drilling rights

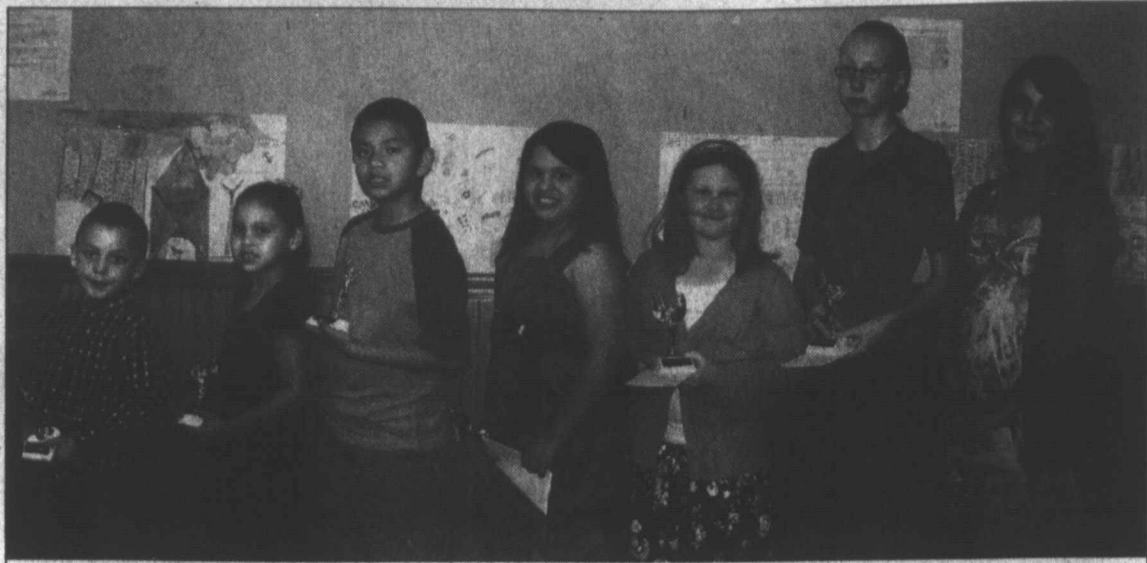
Tahoka City Council met in regular session Monday night to consider city business, including awarding a bid for oil/gas drilling rights for city-owned land near FM 400 (between 100-200 acres). A lone bid, from Acadian Land Management, was approved for \$450 an acre. The city owns only a portion of the mineral rights.

In other action, city officials canceled two of the three general elections for city council members in the upcoming May 12 election, cancelling the election for Districts 4 and 5 because incumbent candidates Jeff Martin and Ray Box are uncontested for their seats. The District 2 city council election will be held on May 12, with incumbent Ronny Jolly challenged by candidate Max Mendieta III. The council appointed Donna Brooks and Rebecca Engle as election judges, and scheduled May 1 and May 8 as the two 12-hour days for polls to be open during the early voting period (April 30-May 8). Early voting will be conducted at the county courthouse as usual.

No one attended a public hearing regarding an unsafe building at 1708 S. 4th Street, and city officials voted to allow the owner 45 days to comply with city codes before taking further action.

Tahoka Mayor John Baker led the meeting, with council members Ronny Jolly, Amy Preston and Ray Box present, as well as City Administrator Jerry Webster. Councilmen Rudy Fuentes and Jeff Martin were absent.

The council met in called session last Wednesday evening, to award a bid for the lease of the city's CRP land. Two bids were submitted, one from Bill Schoemann in the amount of \$7,050 per year, and one from Billy Bishop in the amount of \$7,865.10 per year. Bishop's bid was accepted for a 10-year lease.



Poster contest winners ... Winners of the poster contest sponsored by the Lynn County Soil & Water Conservation District were these students, who made creative posters promoting soil and water conservation and this year's theme "Soil to Spoon." They were recognized at the SWCD annual banquet held April 3. Pictured from left are Slade Scroggins, Kindergarten, O'Donnell; Anelyssa Elizondo, 1st grade, New Home; Edgar Mendoza, 2nd grade, O'Donnell; Dayze Castro, 3rd Grade, O'Donnell; Sophie Thomas, 4th grade, Tahoka; Anna Janzen, 5th grade, O'Donnell; and Heaven Hargrove, 6th grade, 1st place overall winner, of New Home.

Senior Citizens MENU

April 16-20

Monday: Breaded chicken tenders, baked potato, peas & carrots, strawberries & whipped topping

Tuesday: Beef stroganoff, noodles, mixed veggies, wheat roll, winter fruit cup

Wednesday: Swedish meatballs, parsley noodles, mixed veggies, roll, angel food cake / strawberries

Thursday: Turkey tetrazzini, carrots & zucchini, salad, roll, fruit parfait

Friday: Sloppy Joes, potato salad, carrots & zucchini, creamy fruit square

Announcements:

- Monetary donations are encouraged and appreciated.
- The Center is going to be holding a huge garage sale May 4 & 5th. When cleaning out your closets or garages, please donate items to us for our sale. Let us sell those 'treasures' for the benefit of our home delivery and congregate meal programs.
- Mark your calendars: April 18 the Center in conjunction with SPAG-AAA will be hosting its annual Health Fair. Additional details will be published soon.



Essay contest winners ... Winners in this year's essay contest who wrote essays on the theme, "Why Soil & Water Conservation Is Important To My Future" are Cati-lynn Adams, a New Home 7th grader, and Kade Sherwood, an 8th grader from New Home.

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David Franklin, son Ben, named Outstanding Farmers

At their annual banquet recently, the Lynn County Soil and Water Conservation District Directors recognized David Franklin and his son, Ben Franklin, both of O'Donnell, as this year's Outstanding Conservation Farmers.

David was raised on a family farm in Dawson County. He graduated from O'Donnell High School in 1953. He attended Texas Tech University and graduated with a degree in Agricultural Engineering in 1958. Even before graduation, David started his farming career when he rented a section of land to grow cotton and milo. Through the years, David rented and bought land when opportunities allowed.

David's son, Ben also graduated from O'Donnell High School in 1982. He attended Angelo State University and received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in finance. Like his father, Ben also farmed while he went to college. He began with 800 acres of cotton and eventually farmed up to 2500 acres before he merged with his father.

As third and fourth generation farmers of their family, and District Cooperators of the Lynn County SWCD, they cooperate with the local office of the Natural Resources Conservation Service and the SWCD; and utilize this invaluable partnership to receive technical assistance in

implementing their conservation practices and sound stewardship techniques. Through this valuable partnership Ben and David have been able to receive financial assistance through the Great Plains Conservation Program, Environmental Quality Incentive Program, and Conservation Stewardship Program.

Over the years, David and Ben have constructed and maintained miles of terraces on their farms, as well as utilizing furrow dikes in conjunction with contour farming and terraces.

In 1999, David and Ben formed B & D Harvesting Incorporated. Each farmed land outside the corporation until 2006. A no-till system was utilized on both irrigated and dry-land. Older center pivot sprinklers were replaced or nozzles were updated to the most efficient nozzles available. Drip irrigation replaced graded furrow systems. SmartCrop systems were utilized to meter plant and soil moisture to aid in determining when and how much irrigation water needs to be applied.

To protect water quality, the Franklins make use of the chemigation valve on irrigation systems and practice sound nutrient management through the use of an active soil sampling program to schedule timing, type, and amount of nutrients applied.

David served on the O'Donnell School Board for



Outstanding Conservation Farmers ... David and Ben Franklin (holding plaques) were named the 2011 "Outstanding Conservation Farmers of the Year" at ceremonies held April 3, at the Lynn County SWCD 31st annual banquet. Pictured here from left are, Harold Sanders, SWCD member; Glen Brewer, SWCD Secretary/Treasurer; honoree David Franklin; Mike Metzlg, Vice President, AgTexas FCS; honoree Ben Franklin; Todd Lockaby, Chairman; and Leland White, Vice Chairman. Also present but not pictured was SWCD member Jack Scott.

19 years, Capital Farm Credit for 29 years, Dawson County Farm Bureau Board for six years, and served on the Dawson FSA County Community for one term. Ben served on the O'Donnell School Board for one term and on the Lyntegar Electric Cooperative Board for nine years.

David and Treva are the parents of Anita Morton of Lubbock, Terri Small, Doris Gass, and Ben, all of O'Donnell, and Paula Moore of Richardson; nine grandchildren, four great grandchildren, and one on the way. Ben married Debbie Norris in 1996 and they have three children - Andy Mires of Lubbock, Jack Ben and Abby Grace of O'Donnell.

Lynn County to boost senior citizens center budget with additional \$2,500

Lynn County Commissioners responded to a plea by Lynn County Pioneers Senior Citizens director Bianca Baker for more funding for the center, voting Monday to give an additional \$2,500 in their annual budget for the center. Currently, the county provides \$5,000 annually for the center, and Monday's unanimous vote will boost that amount to \$7,500. Ms. Baker met with commissioners at a previous meeting to present information about the issue to commissioners.

In other action at Monday's meeting, commissioners approved a gas pipeline right of way to WTG Gas Processing, LP for installation of a gas pipeline beneath County Roads O, 38 and Nora, and approved setting a public hearing for 9 a.m. Monday, April 23 for an order amending the designation of the BorLynn Wind Farm Reinvestment Zone.

Amendments to the county employee handbook were approved, and a \$20,000 budget amendment to Capital Outlay for Precinct 4 was approved. County Judge H.G. Franklin opened one sealed bid for the county's weigh station cleanup, which was from Oscar Calzada for \$28.51 for the gin pipe at the weigh station. Commissioners moved to accept the bid with the stipulation that Calzada also clean up the area around the weigh station.

Monthly bills were approved, and Commissioner Mike Brad-dock informed the group that the handicap access ramp construction should be completed this week at the curb in front of the county office building on the

west side of the square where the Tax Assessor/Collector's office is going to relocate (the former welfare office).

Commissioners approved a new router (costing approximately \$800) for courthouse internet service. Sheriff Jerry D. Franklin reported there were 13 Lynn County inmates and 5 Gaines County inmates in the Lynn County Jail this week.

All four commissioners were present for the meeting.

HPWD launches on-line meter reporting site

Commercial installers and water well owners/operators may now use an on-line site to report new water meter installations within the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1.

A link to the new module is located on the front page of the High Plains Water District web site at www.hpwd.com.

"Persons may now use the site to create a user account, associate owners/properties with the user account, plot the location of the meter or alternative measuring method on National Agricultural Imagery Program (NAIP) aerial images, and update information about the meter installation," said Field Data Collection Supervisor Gerald Crenwelge.

"There are several benefits in using the site: (1) Persons may review information about their property/properties as it is shown in the HPWD database; (2) it allows access to maps of the property/properties with the latest NAIP imagery; (3) it allows easier identification and processing of meters for EQIP approval; and (4) it will ultimately replace paper forms to be completed and forwarded to the district's Lubbock office," Crenwelge said.

In addition, a later module will allow persons to review the status of their banked water.



Outstanding FFA & 4-H youth ... These Lynn County youth were named Outstanding Ag and 4-H students at the Lynn County SWCD banquet held April 3. They are, from left, Madison Davis, O'Donnell FFA; Jesse Terry, 4-H; Jonathan Nieman, New Home FFA; Jaunita Lerma, Wilson FFA; and Gretchen Henley, Tahoka FFA.

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Political Primary is Tuesday, May 29
Early voting is May 14-25.
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REPUBLICAN PRIMARY

106th Judicial District District Attorney BRIAN KINGSTON (INCUMBENT)

106th Judicial District District Attorney MICHAEL MUNK (CANDIDATE)

House District 83 DELWIN JONES (CANDIDATE)

Lynn County Tax Assessor-Collector DONNA WILLIS (CANDIDATE)

Lynn County Tax Assessor-Collector QUAYDENE CASWELL (CANDIDATE)

DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY

Lynn County Sheriff JERRY D. FRANKLIN (INCUMBENT)

Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners Court of Lynn County, Texas, will hold a public hearing on Monday April 23, 2012 at 9:00 a.m., in the Basement Courtroom of the Lynn County Courthouse regarding a proposal to modify the borders of the BorLynn Wind Farm Reinvestment Zone to include tracts of land described as follows:

Section 99, Block 100 and Section 100, Block 4, D. & S.E. Survey Co., Lynn County, Texas;

Section 102, Block 1 and Section 101, Block O, D. & W. R.R. Survey Co., Lynn County, Texas;

Section 405, 406, 407, and 408, Block 2 and Sections 801 and 802, Block 7, H.E. & W.T. Survey Co., Lynn County, Texas;

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Section 103, Block 1; and Sections 437, 438, 439, and 440, Block 3; Section 29, Block 8; Sections 396, 409, 410, 417, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, and 431, Block 9 and Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9, Block 10, E.L. & R.R. R.R. Survey Co., Lynn County, Texas; and

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Pursuant to the terms of an existing Tax Abatement Agreement, improvements constructed, erected, or placed on the property within such proposed Reinvestment Zone will be eligible to receive commercial-industrial tax abatement. All persons desiring to address Court regarding the proposed modification of such will be given the opportunity to do so.

For further information, please contact:
H.G. Franklin, Lynn County Judge
Telephone: 806-561-4222

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YOU ARE COMMANDED to appear by filling a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before 10:00 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday, 30TH DAY OF APRIL, 2012 at or before 10:00 o'clock A.M., before the Honorable County Court at Law No. 3 of Lubbock County, Texas, at the Court House at 904 Broadway, Lubbock, Texas 79401.

Said Plaintiff's petition was filed on the 6TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2011 file number of said suit being No. 2011-566,819 The names of the parties in said suit are: CLAYTON DAVIS, Plaintiff(s), and SHERI GWIN, Defendant (s) The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit:

ORIGINAL PETITION.

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