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Thank you, Veterans! Veterans Day - Nov. 11, 2012

Veterans Day originated as "Armistice Day" on Nov. 11, 1919, the first anniversary of the end of World War I. Congress passed a resolution in 1926 for an annual observance, and Nov. 11 became a national holiday beginning in 1938. President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed legislation in 1954 to change the name to Veterans Day as a way to honor those who served in all American wars.

21.5 million: The number of military veterans in the United States in 2011 (1.6 million in Texas) Source: 2011 American Community Survey

#### **Lynn County Area Gins BALE COUNT**

(reported 11-6-12)

Texas Star Gin, Wilson/Union .....32,262 New Home Coop, Lakeview...... 19,479 Farmers Coop #1, Tahoka ...... 12,807 Farmers Coop, O'Donnell ......9,100 Woolam Gin, O'Donnell ...... 8,757 Wells Coop Gin ......7,555 Grassland Coop Gin.....2,941 Close City Gin, Post ......2,156 TOTAL BALES ...... 95,057

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# Shigellosis outbreak at Tahoka Elementary affects 50+ children; state health officials contact parents

by JUANELL JONES

More than a fourth of the students in Tahoka Elementary School's Tubb Building (pre-K through 2nd grade) were absent or sent home last Friday after becoming ill with symptoms including diarrhea and vomiting, and high fever in some of the more severe cases. The illness is believed to be an outbreak of Shigellosis, which is an acute bacterial in-

fection of the lining of the intestines.

Shigellosis is a reportable disease, meaning that an outbreak must be reported to the State Health Department. School officials reported names of students with the

Shigellosis symptoms to the State Health Department, who reportedly is contacting parents by phone to check to see if the children still have the symptoms, to watch for fever, asking about siblings who may have been exposed, etc.

"Officially, only two cases of Shigellosis have been confirmed by the State Health Department as of today," Superintendent Steve Burleson told The News Monday afternoon, adding that the illness was confirmed by testing of cultures. "We had a few children absent or sent home last Thursday with the symptoms, but by Friday we had 57 students either absent or sent home, all in the Pre-Kindergarten through second grade campus (Tubb

Shigellosis is an infectious disease caused by a group of bacteria called Shigella. Most who are infected with Shigella develop diarrhea, fever, and stomach cramps starting a day or two after they are exposed to the bacteria. The diarrhea is often bloody. Shigellosis usually resolves in 5 to 7 days. Some persons who are infected may have no symptoms at all, but may still pass the Shigella bacteria to others.

-- from Centers for Disease Control (CDC) (www.cdc.gov)

Building). Many of these children had the Shigellosis symptoms, but there are some out with Strep throat as well," he added.

There are 199 students in the Tubb Building, and 122 students in the Gardner Building (3rd-5th grade campus) at Tahoka ISD, with a total of 321 elementary stu-

In addition to notifying the state health department, school officials also initiated an outreach to parents, by phone as well as sending a letter home with students on Friday warning parents to be aware of the symptoms of Shigellosis and to carefully monitor their children for signs of the illness, and asked them to keep children home if they became ill. The let-

ter also asked parents to remind children to wash their hands to help prevent spreading the disease.

On Monday, 59 students were reported as absent due to illness, again mostly in the Tubb Building, but some were from the Gardner building as well. Supt. Burleson said two or three high school

students may have had some symptoms as

"Last Friday, when we realized what we may be getting into, we began disinfecting bathrooms, desk tops, doorknobs and handles, etc. throughout the day," said the superintendent. "After students and staff left for the day, we made another full

Wash your building sweep, hands! disinfecting everything again.

On Saturday, there was a junior high dance in the cafeteria, so we disinfected again on Sunday. We are closely monitoring the situation and will continue with a diligent disinfectant program until we can get past this. Hopefully by the end of this week the number of absences due to this type of illness will be zero," he added.

Supt. Burleson spoke with the younger students during the lunch period in the cafeteria, reminding them to wash their hands each time they went to the bathroom, as well as throughout the day. There are also hand sanitizer dispensers in each classroom, Burleson says, that are available for students and staff.

"I, personally, have not treated any patients with Shigellosis - yet," said Dr. Donald Freitag Monday morning at Lynn County Hospital Clinic, "but my office closed early on Friday. I understand that Melanie (Richburg) and Shannon (Hammonds) at the Family Wellness Clinic have treated several patients with these

(See Shigellosis outbreak, page 3)



Not this time ... Dearlus Poindexter (8) caught three touchdown passes for Hale Center against Tahoka, but this time, Kordell Baker (1) of Tahoka went up and intercepted the pass, a good defensive play which contributed to Tahoka's 27-24 win. No. 4 for Tahoka, also leaping for the ball, is Trystan Hilger. (LCN PHOTO by Abraham Vega)

# **Bulldogs in playoffs** after beating Owls

The Tahoka Bulldogs survived an aerial bombardment from pass-happy Hale Center here last Friday, winning the game 27-24 and nailing down a berth in the playoffs in the process.

Tahoka could wind up tied for the district title with Sundown and New Deal, or as the third seed from District 2-A, depending on the outcomes of the final regular season games this week.

"I am extremely proud of the boys for staying 'together' and persevering to make the playoffs," said Coach John Cornelius. "We still have a shot at a share of the district championship if Sundown beats New Deal and we beat Lockney. Seeding will be decided after the last game. Due to points, Tahoka already has been eliminated from the No. 1 seed, and will be the No. 2 or No. 3 seed, depending on the results of the upcoming games.

"We will face either Sunray or Panhandle in the playoffs; they play each other Friday to determine seeding. There are three tentative playoff scenarios, de-

pending on Friday's outcomes. The first possibility is a game against Panhandle at Dimmitt on Nov. 16; or playing Sunray at Plainview on Nov. 15; or against Sunray at Bushland on Nov. 16," said Cornelius.

The coach added that he feels the team is peaking at the right time, and "we have continued to improve throughout the season ... We are determined to not be satisfied with just making the playoffs. One of our goals is to finish strong, and we are not to the end yet."

Tahoka came from behind three times last Friday before Ke'Shawn Hood raced 23 yards for a touchdown with just 5 minutes left for what turned out to be the winning score. Hood also scored on a 3-yard run in the second quarter. The Bulldogs opened scoring in the first period with a 40-yard pass play from QB Trystan Hilger to Isiah Vega, and John Ryan Barrientez kicked the point.

Hale Center took the lead back in the first quarter when QB Lane Rossi passed (See Bulldogs in Playoffs, page 3)

#### **ELECTION RESULTS:**

## Alcohol sales approved in Tahoka

Packaged alcohol sales will soon be legal within the city limits of Tahoka, after city residents Tuesday voted in favor of the proposition by 427 to 291. The local option election regarding alcohol sales was the only issue on the city ballot for voters to consider.

Early voting numbers had closer margins, with 265 for and 202 against, but on Election Day the vote was 162 for and 89 against. There are a few provisional ballots to certify, but those will not change the outcome.

Tahoka City Council will canvass election results at their Monday night council meeting.

"The legalization will take effect at the time the results of the election are officially canvassed," said City Administrator Jerry Webster, quoting information from the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission (TABC). The

city secretary, within three days, must certify the results to the Secretary of State and TABC.

The City Council will consider a zoning ordinance and distance requirements from schools/churches for packaged alcohol sales at Monday night's meeting.

In the General Election, Lynn County voters chose Mitt Romney overwhelmingly over Barack Obama for U.S. President, joining other Texas voters in backing the Republican candidate. Overall in the United States, however, President Obama carried the election for another four-year term.

There were no locally contested races, with candidates a shoe-in for their respective positions in the county.

Of 3,867 registered voters in the county, 1,866 (48%) marked ballots in the General Election.

# woodwork

by dalton wood



EVERYBODY says television is lousy and there's nothing worth watching on the tube, but then the average American will spend four hours a day watching TV. That's what a writer named Sean Fields said in a story in the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal on Oct. 28, and I have to agree that he's probably correct.

He said that few people will admit they really like to watch TV, but nearly everybody does it anyway.

Okay, I admit I watch TV several hours a day, and that I frequently don't like what I am seeing. I especially don't like the way the Dallas Cowboys' football games usually end up. Sometimes I watch the replay of a game the next day, hoping it will come out different.

They say TV is educational, but about the only thing I remember learning for sure in the last year or two is that Doug has mesothelioma.

Some people leave their TV sets turned on almost all day, often with the sound off, just to have something going on. The A-J writer said this is not a good idea, because it significantly runs up your electric bill. I never had thought of that. He said, too, that the power bill goes up even more because it takes more for the air conditioner to offset the heat of the TV.

And I thought there was something wrong with my air conditioner just because it cut off only about 10 minutes a day during the summer. So it's costing me to watch TV, not to mention the fact that my satellite network occasionally screws up my bill (and lots of luck trying to get THAT

Television is useless. I can't wait to get home and turn it on.

I WISH I HAD said that Dept .: Reader Gary Brazil wrote in this week that he agrees with my complaints against changing from Daylight Time, saying, "I, too, grow weary of having to stay up until 2 a.m. for the sole purpose of setting my clocks back one hour. To make matters worse, this morning I fell asleep and did not awaken until 3. So I set my clocks back two hours to correct that."



#### Jeanette Roseberry

Memorial services for Lena Jeanette Roseberry, 71, of Eastland, formerly of Tahoka, were held on Saturday, Nov. 3, at 4:00 p.m. at North's Funeral Home, Abilene, with her nephew, Steve Roseberry officiating the service.

She was born Dec. 31, 1940 to Alvin Cain and Lena Evelyn Thompson in Tahoka. She died October 30, 2012. Jeanette married Jack Cloye Roseberry on June 18, 1955. They lived in Tahoka until 1982 when they moved to Midland. They continued to live in Midland until they retired and moved to Lake Leon in Eastland, in 1993. She was truly blessed and loved.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one son Cloye Lee Roseberry.

Survivors include her husband of 57 years, Jack Roseberry; daughters Jackie Willis (Gary) of Andrews, and Julie Wells (James) of Pflugerville; one brother Bill Cain (Sue) of Dumas; six grand-children, Jordan Willis (Kendall), MacKenzie Willis, Daniel Dowdey (Laurie), Kendra Wells, Cedric Wells (Amanda) and Jasmine Ogwo (Brandon); two great-grandchildren and a host of other loving relatives and friends.

In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations be made to the American Cancer Society or Lighthouse Hospice in Eastland, Texas.

Online condolences can be made at www.northsfuneral-home.com. (PAID)

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#### **Ruby Lee Tyler**

Services for Ruby Lee Tyler, 96, of Lubbock, formerly of Tahoka, were held at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 5, at First Assembly of God with burial at the Tahoka Cemetery. She died on Saturday, Nov. 3, 2012.

She was born July 30, 1916 to Henry and Pearl (Roberts) Foster in Ft. Towson, OK. She married Elmer Lee Tyler on Sept. 9, 1933 in Bug Tussle, OK. Ruby was a pastor's wife and served with Elmer in churches throughout West Texas for 53 years. She moved to Lubbock from Tahoka in 1986 following her husband's death. She attended First Assembly of God.

Along with her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by five brothers.

Survivors include seven children, Verna Griffith and husband Johnny of Breckenridge, Rayburn Tyler and wife Gwen of Big Spring, E.L. Tyler and wife Willene of Lubbock, Morris Tyler and wife Bonnie of Post, Juanita Reed and husband James of Abilene, Ronnie Tyler and wife Pam of Edmond, OK and Martha Woods and husband Fred of Lubbock; 15 grandchildren; 31 great grandchildren; eight great-great grandchildren; and a brother, Amos Foster of Quitman.

Memorials are suggested to Teen Challenge (teenchallengeusa.com).

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# BUILDOCS PLANS 25 55 55 71 42

Army Strong Team of the Week ... TexasFootball.com partners with the U.S. Army for the Army Strong Team of the Week throughout the Texas high school football season. The Tahoka Football Team was voted Army Strong Team of The Week for week 7, out of all the 1A schools in Texas, pictured here with representatives of the Buildogs getting the award at a recent pep raily. Each week, TexasFootball.com and the U.S. Army join together to select one team from every classification in high school football that demonstrated the qualities exhibited within the Army - those include leadership, commitment to excellence and a desire to make a difference as a member of a team. Each is awarded the Army Strong Team of the Week by local officials from the U.S. Army at a school assembly or pep raily.

# STORK

#### Hensley Sue Hawthorne

Josh and Allison Hawthorne of Brownfield announce the birth of their daughter, Hensley Sue Hawthorne, born on October 22, 2012. She weighed 6 lbs., 1 oz. and was 19 inches long.

Grandparents are John and Lisa Hawthorne of Tahoka, and Curt and Kay White of Dalhart.

Great-Grandparents are Marlin and Diana Hawthorne of Tahoka, Lee and Linda Raney of Levelland, Mary Carter of Dalhart and Dan and Sheila White of Vernon.

## Blood Drive to be held Nov. 15

A community blood drive will be held on Thursday, Nov. 15 from 10:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. The donor coach will be in the Lynn County Hospital parking lot.

Donors can schedule an appointment by calling Julia Allen, at 998-4533 ext. 333

Volunteer blood donors must be at least 16 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good health. Additional height/weight requirements apply to donors 22 and younger, and donors who are 16 must have signed permission from a parent or guardian. Please bring photo ID and donor card. Free cholesterol testing with every donation.

# Seven people involved in altercation at residence

Tahoka Police Monday night were called to a residence in the city where a fight reportedly was in progress and eventually wound up issuing criminal trespass warnings to at least six persons, with two others mentioned in the police report, which noted that several persons claimed they had been assaulted by others and were given statement forms to return to the police.

No injuries requiring treatment were reported and no arrests made. Seven persons named in the report as "involved" ranged in age from 19 to 50, and included males and females.

Police also were advised last week by a 24-year-old Tahoka woman that she had been assaulted by a 33-year-old Tahoka man.

On Oct. 30, police arrested a 30-year-old Lubbock man after receiving a call describing a car related to theft of two vehicle batteries. When the car was located, the suspect fled on foot, but was caught about three blocks away. It was then learned that he faced other charges, including a warrant from Lubbock. He was jailed and charged with the warrant, evading arrest, expired drivers license, driving while license invalid, theft and no liability insur-

Four other persons were jailed in Lynn County in the last week, including three for driving while intoxicated and one for burglary of a habitation. The jail

was holding 10 persons early this week, with three held for Gaines County.

Dispatchers at Lynn County

Blanket Drive underway here

Area residents are encouraged to bring new or gently used blankets to the Tahoka Church of Christ during the month of November, during a Blanket Drive for the church's clothes closet. The blankets will be available to those requesting them, on the first Saturday of December during the Clothes Closet time.

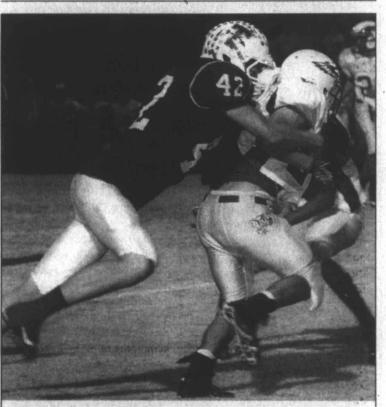
Blankets may be dropped in the bins on the east side of the church building, or brought inside anytime the church is open.

### Dimak, Hammonds run in regional cross country meet

Tahoka High School freshmen Hannah Hammonds and Maci Dimak ran in the Regional Cross Country Meet held Nov.

3. Both ran their personal best times in the regional meet, but did not advance. Hammonds ran 13:42 and Dimak ran 13:52 in the girls two-mile cross country competition.

Sheriff's Dept. had 301 calls in October, including 135 for the county, 125 for City of Tahoka, 12 for O'Donnell, 4 fire alarms and 25 calls for ambulances.



Bird dog... Bulldog Ethan Curry (42) grabs an unidentified Hale Center Owl as Tahoka teammates Dillon Trevino (8) and Xavier Pinkard (2) come in to help. Tahoka won 27-24 and will close out the regular season at Lockney Friday before starting a playoff run. (LCN PHOTO by Abraham Vega)

## Signup times set for Christmas for Kids

Sign ups for Christmas for Kids will be held this Saturday, Nov. 10 at the Lynn County Senior Citizens Center, located at 1600 South 3rd. in Tahoka, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. The next sign-up dates will be held Nov. 18th from 2:00-4:00 at the Senior Citizens Center, and December 1st from 5:00-7:00, which will be the final sign-up date.

For those interested in assisting with shopping, wrapping, supplies, sign-up assistance, or adopting a family, contact Janet or Linda at the numbers listed below. For persons who shop or adopt, all gifts need to be in by Dec. 10. The final date to adopt will be Dec. 3rd.

For more information, contact Janet Porterfield at 561-4036 or Linda Owen at 561-5079. Do not call the Senior Citizens Center for information.

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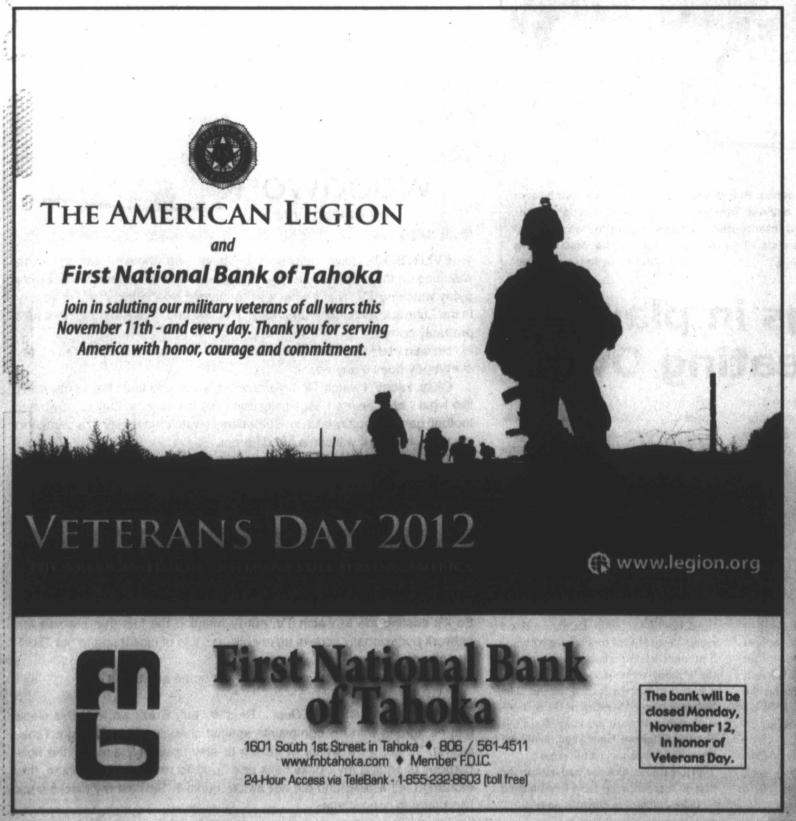
# Diabetes education session is today

Area residents are invited to a Diabetic Education meeting at Lynn County Hospital today (Thursday) from 2-3:00 p.m. in the LCHD meeting room. Learn how to make easy, healthy snacks for diabetics, and more useful information.



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Senior Citizens Center Tuesday, Nov. 13 from 9 am to 3 pm 1600 S. 3rd, Tahoka





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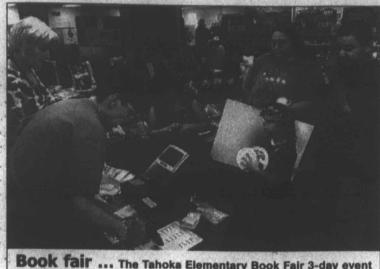
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Book fair ... The Tahoka Elementary Book Fair 3-day event was held last week, including Parent Night at the Fall Festival, where kids came in costume to peruse the books and other items for sale. Librarian Rhondy McNeely (holding the scanner) said the event was a huge success, raising \$4100 for the elementary library.

# Shigellosis outbreak

are pretty mild, but I would say

about a third have more serious

symptoms with multiple loose

stools and high fever. We can't

do anything to kill the Shigellosis

bacteria, but antibiotics can speed

up the recovery. With children I

don't usually recommend using

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dren home from school that may

be showing signs of Shigellosis.

Tahoka school officials hope that

this week will bring an end to the

problem. By Tuesday the number

of absences had dropped to 49.

Supt. Burleson said that parents

would be notified if any signifi-

have had a few absences from stu-

dent illnesses during the last 3-4

weeks, but no significant num-

bers of absentees. However, the

State Health Dept. did contact the

school a couple of weeks ago to

inform them that they had a con-

firmed case of Shigellosis from

a WISD student. A letter from

the Health Dept. with warnings/

symptoms of Shigellosis was sent

home with students, and students

and staff were reminded of pre-

ventive measures including the

that some staff members had

been absent due to a stomach bug,

but the duration of the illness was

not as long as the symptoms of

Shigellosis, and there have been

no significant numbers of absen-

tees from students or staff. No

information was available from

New Home ISD.

O'Donnell ISD officials said

importance of hand-washing.

Wilson ISD officials said they

cant changes occur.

Parents should keep chil-

the best prevention," she added.

"I do tell all of my patients

of it," Richburg explained.

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symptoms and that some children were admitted to Lynn County Hospital with those symptoms," he added.

"Symptoms include watery diarrhea, nausea and vomiting and if it is severe we're not talking about one or two loose stools in a day, we're talking about 20 or 30 or 40 loose stools in a day, and fever with a temperature over 101 - and if it is bad enough a child can get dehydrated pretty quickly," Dr. Freitag explained. To help avoid serious dehydration, fluid intake is essential.

People infected with the bacteria release it into their stool. The bacteria can spread from an infected person by fecal oral contamination, such as a person not washing their hands after using the bathroom, which transfers the germs to their hands, and then touching other surfaces and people. Getting just a little bit of the Shigella bacteria into your mouth is enough to cause symptoms.

"There is a 1-4 day incubation period, so if you're going to get it, you will see symptoms pretty quickly. That's why all the kids got it at the same time, and it had the potential of a disastrous outbreak," said Dr. Freitag. "Hopefully, with the weekend away from school and all the kids not being together, the outbreak has already been contained. However, if the kids went home and spread it to other family members, we may see another round of ShigeHosis with children and adults. The best way to prevent it - wash your hands, wash your hands, wash your hands!" he urged.

Symptoms include acute (sudden) abdominal pain or cramping; acute (sudden) fever; blood, mucus or pus in stool; crampy rectal pain; nausea and vomiting; and watery diarrhea.

Local child daycare providers have reportedly received phone calls from state health officials advising them to be aware that children in Tahoka are having symptoms of Shigellosis and to advise all parents to keep sick children at home to help prevent

spreading the illness. "I have been in the childcare business for over 27 years. Today is the first time ever that I received a phone call from the State Health Department advising me to be aware of an illness," said Cathy Ross, a local childcare provider. "I reported that I did have one child who was out sick when they called, and then the child ended up in the hospital with it," she added.

Family Nurse Practitioner Melanie Richburg, at the LCHD Family Wellness Clinic, confirmed that three patients with Shigellosis symptoms had been admitted to Lynn County Hospital, but that as of Monday all three had been treated and released. All three cases were children.

"Hospitalization is not uncommon for children with more severe symptoms," Richburg told The News. "Most cases involve a 24-hour admission, to get the IV fluid therapy and keep them from getting dehydrated."

She said that the Family Wellness Clinic has seen several patients with the Shigellosis symptoms, all under the age of 9

"I haven't heard of any adults -having symptoms," said Richburg. "Officially, Shigellosis can be confirmed only with culture testing, but if the symptoms are all there we are not testing cultures but are treating presumptively, since they have all been exposed to it. We can't wait until test results are back to treat them. Most cases of the illness

## **New Home bops** Southland 56-8

The New Home Leopards raised their season record to 7-2 last Friday as Josh Paul ran wild, scoring all 8 New Home touchdowns in a 56-8 win over Southland.

It was the third week in a row that New Home has scored in the 50s while allowing opponents just 8 points. The game was halted in the third period on the 45-point rule. Paul scored on a 68-yard interception return, a 24yard fumble return and on runs of 48, 36, 76, 26, 19 and 43 yards. He gained a total of 328 yards on just 8 carries, an average of 41 yards per carry. Blaine Watts ran twice for 35 yards for the Leopards.

Clayton Walden led the New Home defense.

**GAME AT A GLANCE** SOUTHLAND NEW HOME first downs 93 yds rushing yds passing 0-2-0completed by 6-16-1 fumbles lost 4-40 3-11 penalties 1-4 punts, avg.

Southland Junior High beat New Home Junior High School 52-32 last week.



Nov. 12-16 **Breakfast** Monday: Breakfast burrito Tuesday: French toast sticks Wednesday: Pancakes Thursday: Biscuit sausage Friday: Waffles

Monday: Cheese enchiladas, Spanish rice, refried beans, salad, cinn.

Tuesday: Hot Dog w/ chili, tots, veggie cup, fruit Wednesday: Grilled cheese sand-

wich, vegetable soup, carrots, fruit Thursday: Chicken nuggets, mac

& cheese, salad, green beans, apple Friday: Hamburger, trimmings,

corn, carrots, sliced peaches

#### Phebe K. Warner Club News

Phebe K Warner Club met Oct. 23, at the home of Pat Park with co-hostess Cindy Leverett. Lena Cloe presented the program on Lynn County Victims Assis-

The next meeting will be on November 13 at 4:00 p.m. in the home of Bettye Green. Janet Porterfield will present a program on "Christmas for Kids"

Members will place flags on Veteran's graves on Friday, November 9, at 4:00 p.m. on observance of Veteran's Day.



Fun on Halloween ... Home of Hearts daycare children visited Lyntegar Electric Cooperative on October 31st for their first stop of trick or treating. Pictured in front are Gavin Gomez-Martinez, Colt Terrell, Cason Curry, Cambrie Long, Kutter Martin, Brody Attebury; and in back: Jolene Barnett holding Macy Terrell, Scotty Olivan, Leah Swinford holding Kaelyn Love, Paula Reynolds holding Zak Rosas, Jonna McNeely holding Kinley Filley, Helen Fuentes, Brenda Wittan and Earnest Gomez.

#### **LETTERS** to the EDITOR

#### **Book Fair raises** funds for library

I would like to take the opportunity to thank those of you that visited the Book Fair last week. It was a 3-day event raising \$4100. These funds will buy books for the Elementary library to keep our data updated with the newest materials for our students. Parent Night during the Fall Festival was a huge success and without you encouraging your children to read, these Scholastic Book Fairs would not be as profitable. A special thanks to my loyal volunteers that gave up their time to help out: Yolanda Aleman, Gloria DeLeon, Carol Miller, Liz Tew and Heather Jester, and Cindy Jolly. Ya'll are a great support system that I could not do without. Thanks again to the parents and students. Keep reading!!!

> Rhonda McNeely Tahoka Elementary ISD

#### Thanks from **Senior Citizens**

While it was all quiet on October 26 at our Kelley Field, we were hosting our first fish fry.

The weather did not cooperate, but that did not stop our awesome volunteers. They set up in the old firehouse building and fried up some of the best fish and fries with onions ever eaten.

Thank you Judge Jerry Ford, Bruce Horwood, Kyle Larpenter, George Whitworth, Lynn and Karla Schmidt, Christian Nagar and Esmeralda Herrera for your tireless efforts. Thank you also to Bob Ballard and Tahoka Coop Gin for providing the oil for the fryers.

And let's not forget our angels in the kitchen: Rosa Longoria, Ruth Silvas, Lupe Vargas and Andrea Aleman. They prepared and served up the delicious coleslaw, black-eyed peas, lemon bars and a beverage, along with the fish and fries, to our guests.

Thank you also Lois Roberts for spending your evening greeting our guests.

Thank you Lynn County News and the City of Tahoka for getting the word out to the community about our fish fry.

Lastly, but by no means least, THANK YOU, THANK YOU to our guests who came out and supported our fish fry.

We were again blessed by everyone's generosity and caring hearts. Bianca Baker - Director

# **Bulldogs in playoffs**

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to Dearius Poindexter for 40 yards and a touchdown, followed by a pass for 2 points and later by a safety, giving the Owls a 10-7 lead going into the second quarter. Rossi put the ball up a whopping 39 times, completing 24 for 272 yards and three touchdowns, all to Poindexter.

The Bulldogs contributed to the air show, too, as Hilger completed 4 of 12 passes for 99 yards and two touchdowns.

In the second quarter, Tahoka went back into the lead 15-10 when Hood ran for a touchdown and Kordell Baker scored a 2-point conversion. Hale Center regained the lead in the second on a 61-yard pass and 2-point run by Rossi, making it 18-15 Owls at halftime. In the third, Hilger passed 20

yards to Preston Hammonds for a TD, then Hale Center countered with an 11-yard pass, making it 24-21 at the end of the third. Tahoka's defense kept the Owls from scoring in the last quarter, while Hood ran for the deciding touchdown.

Ray Parmer was counted in on 18 tackles and Mikkel Garza had 10, including three sacks. Several other Bulldogs did very well on defense also.

Hood was the game's leading rusher, with 128 yards on 23 carries. Hilger also had 69 yards rushing, on 15 carries. **GAME AT A GLANCE** 

HALE CENTER **TAHOKA** first downs yds rushing 103 yds passing 272 completed by 24-39-2 fumbles lost penalties 5-60 punts, avg. 4-17

Nov. 12-16 Lunch

Monday: Cheese enchiladas, Spanish rice, refried beans, salad, cinn. apple Tuesday: Hot dog w/ chili, potato rounds, veggie cup, fruit

Wednesday: Grilled cheese sandwich, vegetable soup, carrots, fruit

Thursday: Turkey/dressing, whipped potatoes, green beans, strawberry cup Friday: Hamburger, trimmings, con cobbette, carrots, sliced peaches

# Diabetic Education Meeting

Thursday, Nov. 8th from 2:00-3:00 pm

in the Lynn County Hospital District Meeting Room 2500 Lockwood, Tahoka

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ANYONE IS WELCOME TO ATTEND.



# Bone Density Reception and Open House

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#### **LETTER to the EDITOR**

Thanks for the support

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Tahoka community for supporting me in the 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 making this an annual event with the Legacy Makers because we believe everyone deserves a life Rhonda McNeely &

The Legacy Makers Team



Legacy Makers ... Rhonda McNeely of Tahoka (third from right) is a member of The Legacy Makers Team that walked in the Susan G. Komen 3-Day for the Cure, held Nov. 2-4 in Dallas. Team members are, in front from left, Margie Olivarez of Lubbock, Renee Acker-Lubbock, Katy Ratcliff-Frisco; and in back, Judy Lawley-Lubbock, Nancy Horn-Petersburg, Lou Baker-Levelland, Kay Dulaney-Louisiana, Rhonda McNeely-Tahoka, Ronda Menefee-Lubbock, and Kim Schober- Lubbock.

A predator awareness work-

shop will be conducted on Tues-

day, November 13, at the Borden

County Event Center in Gail. The

workshop will focus on manage-

ment of predators. Topics for the

workshop will include: appreciat-

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8:30 a.m. with registration and

conclude at 2:00 p.m. Lunch will

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#### **Predator Awareness** TAHOKA SCHOOL NEWS Workshop set Nov. 13

by THS Journalism Students

**Owls Claw the MS Bulldogs** By Hunter Lowdermilk

The 7th grade Tahoka Bulldogs played Hale Center and lost 26 - 12 Nov. 1. The Bulldog's first score wasn't until the second quarter when Kwami Wilborn ran 58 yards for the touchdown.

In the third quarter Wilborn ran 63 yards for the Bulldogs second and

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final touchdown of the game.

The 8th grade Tahoka Bulldogs played the Hale Center Owls and lost 29 - 8. The only score of the game was a 43 yard pass from Brit Lockaby to Andrew Alvarez for the touchdown, and a two point run also by Lockaby.

JV Takes on Hale Center

The JV travelled to Hale Center and lost 30-14. Luke Fleenor scored in the first quarter on a 70-

In the third quarter, Nick Garcia scored on a 50-yard run and the extra point was good. Anthony Martinez intercepted a pass and had a reception for 15 yards in the third quarter.

**NHS Selling Poinsettias** 

Tahoka's National Honor Society members are selling poinsettias as their annual fundraiser. The poinsettias are available in red, white, pink, and marble. They are \$12 each and will be delivered the first or second week of December.

NHS uses funds raised for school and community service projects throughout the year. High school, Middle School

portrait retakes scheduled Tahoka High School and Mid-

dle School portrait retakes will be Nov. 15. Senior retakes will also be

Students should receive package information in their English

## **WISD** implements ICU program to help students

Wilson ISD is implementing a new program, called an ICU Program, and is inviting the author of the book, Danny Hill, "The Power of ICU" to Wilson Schools to further implement this program.

Danny Hill will be in Wilson all day Monday, Nov. 12, and then the school is hosting a community/ parent meeting that night at 6:30 in the high school auditorium.

'We encourage anyone in education who is interested to please ioin us, even if you are not from Wilson Schools," said a Wilson ISD representative.

The objective of ICU is to provide for the students a way to have mastery over their subjects rather than just giving up because they are behind or failing. They are given many opportunities to redo or makeup homework.

"We have morning ICU, before class begins, lunch ICU and after school ICU, all with certified tutors or teachers," said a Wilson ISD representative. "The real kick is that students must give up their own time to get their work done. It is not done during instructional time. These two principals got together and began working on the issue of student apathy and ways they could revive engagement and responsibility in students. If a student does unacceptable work, they are required to redo the work until is acceptable. In this way we are teaching mastery of subjects instead of giving zeros because they didn't do the work," he explained.

#### Senior Citizens Menu

NOV. 12-16

Monday: Vegetable beef stew, zucchini squash, salad, roll, apricots Tuesday: Herb roasted chicken, potato wedges, peas & carrots, roll, strawberries & whipped topping Wednesday: Meatloaf, tomato sauce, mashed potatoes, winterblend veggies, apple fluff Thursday: Smothered pork chop, southwest potatoes, squash casserole, carrot & raisin salad, cornbread, sliced peaches

Friday: Wisconsin veal cutlet, cabbage & noodles, peas, breadstick, diet pumpkin custard

#### Wilson School Menu

NOV. 12-16

Monday: Spaghetti, corn, green beans, mixed fruit Tuesday: Corndog, glazed carrots, pork n' beans, banana Wednesday: Soft chicken fajita tacos, lettuce/cheese, Mexican corn, cinn. apples Thursday: Chicken strips, mashed

potatoes, watermelon, peaches Friday: Tony's pizza, tater tots, pork & beans, grapes



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## See the hospital's new bone density machine at reception today

Area residents are invited to an Open House and reception at Lynn County Hospital this evening (Thursday) to see the hospital's newest piece of equipment - a bone density machine. The reception will be held from 5:30 until 6:30 p.m. in Suite B on the clinic side of the hospital.

The hospital purchased the GE Healthcare Lunar DXA bone densitometry machine that estimates a person's bone density and body composition (lean and fat tissue mass). Scanning can be done on various sites on the body: spine, upper leg, total body, and forearm. The patient's age, gender, population, ethnicity, height, weight, femur neck T-score and the presence or absence of several risk factors also play a part on the final results of the scan, according to Malena Vitolas, RT(R), Director of Radiology at Lynn County Hospital District.

"The machine includes a feature called the FRAX 10-year fracture risk. FRAX provides an estimate of a 10-year probability of a hip fracture and 10-year probability of a major osteoporotic fracture for men and postmenopausal women ages 40-90 years," explains Vitolas.

"Once a patient has an order from a physician, the scan is scheduled at the convenience of the patient," said Vitolas. "After the pre-examination questions, the patient will be taken to Suite B to be scanned. The scan itself lasts only 30 seconds per site," she added

Once the scan is complete, the results are immediately transferred to the PACS system where they are digitally archived in the patient's imaging records. The results are also stored in the patient's electronic medical records. Both are accessible by their physicians.

"Bone density scan orders. from practitioners other than those from LCHD, can also be done here at LCHD. The results are immediately faxed to the ordering practitioner," said Vitolas.

"Implementation of this scanner is going very well. All patients that have been scanned have been very pleased and said they are fortunate that this type of exam can be done here in Tahoka," she added.

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of GENEVA COLLEEN TUCKER, Deceased, were issued to me, the undersigned, on the 30th day of October, 2012, in the proceedings indicated below my signatures hereto, which is still pending, and that I now hold such Letters.

All persons having claims against said Estate, which is being administered in the county below named, are hereby required to present the same to me respectively, at the address below given before suit upon same is barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such estate is closed, and within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. My post office address is: LISA TUCKER BARNETT, c/o LAWRENCE

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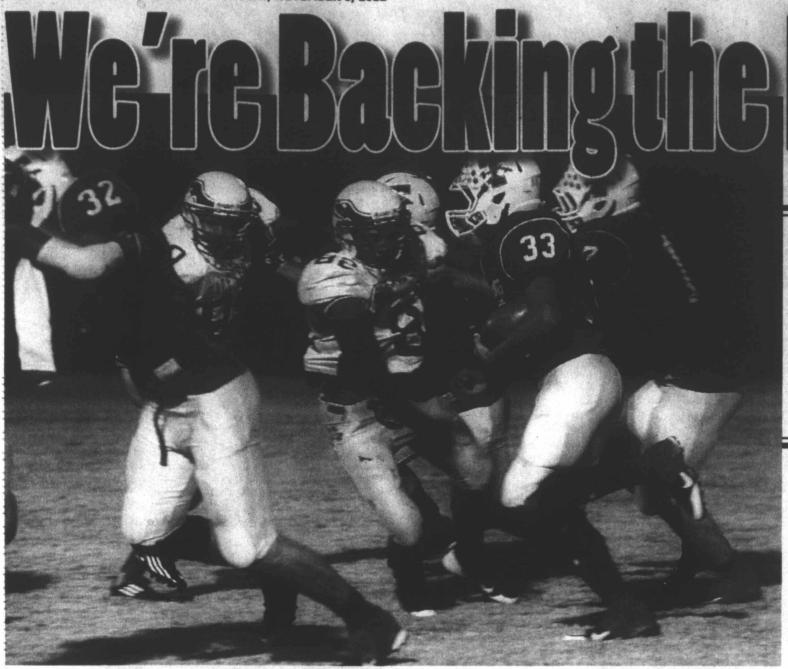
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