

Happy Father's Day

SUNDAY, JUNE 16

I love my children!

James Craig, pictured with the most recent addition to his family, 4-month-old Luke – also pictured at right happily sandwiched between his 8-year-old twin siblings Jayden (left) and Shelby (right) – embraces the joy of fatherhood ... on Father's Day and every day! He and his wife, Michelle, and family are Tahoka residents.



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Con. Randy Neugebauer's Mobile Congressional Office will be in Tahoka Monday, June 17 3:00-4:00 p.m. in the Lynn County Courthouse basement courtroom. Come visit with his staff!

Monthly Photo THEME

E-mail your photos to LynnCoNews@poka.com and maybe you'll see your photo featured in The Lynn County News

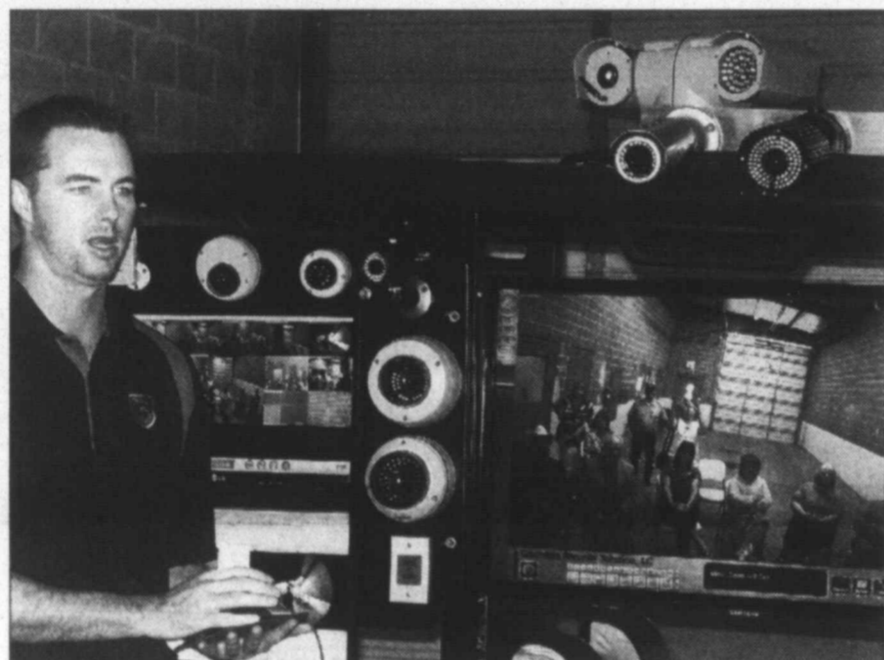


- **JULY ... (DUE JUNE 20)**
"Proud to be an American"
- **AUGUST ... (DUE JULY 20)**
"Fun in the Sun"

What's Outside

NWS official readings for Tahoka

| Date | High | Low | Precip. |
|-------------------------|------|-----|---------|
| June 4 | 103 | 67 | |
| June 5 | 89 | 70 | |
| June 6 | 76 | 58 | 1.11" |
| June 7 | 83 | 61 | |
| June 8 | 89 | 60 | 0.42" |
| June 9 | 87 | 61 | 0.33" |
| June 10 | 95 | 61 | |
| Total Precip for Jan.: | | | 0.93" |
| Total Precip for Feb.: | | | 0.96" |
| Total Precip for Mar.: | | | -0- |
| Total Precip for Apr.: | | | -0- |
| Total Precip for May: | | | 0.81" |
| Total Precip for June: | | | 1.86" |
| Total Precip. for 2013: | | | 4.56" |



You're on camera ... John Greeson, with Guardian Security Systems, presented a demonstration of security camera systems to Lynn County Commissioners and other county officials (caught on camera in this photo) Monday morning during the commissioners meeting. Greeson discussed several security system options for the Lynn County Courthouse and jail facilities.

Designated funds used to purchase new security system for courthouse

by JUANELL JONES

A new security system, featuring interior/exterior cameras and a panic button system, will be installed at the Lynn County Courthouse building and annex, and Lynn County Jail. Lynn County Commissioners voted unanimously to use \$41,683 of security funds to purchase the new system from Guardian Security Systems after viewing a presentation of options at the Monday morning meeting.

The full purchase amount will come from a designated security fund collected from mandatory fees collected by several county offices. These funds may only be used for security purposes, and commissioners voted to use a portion of the available funds to purchase the new system. The new system will replace some of the older security systems currently in use, or supplement portions of the system in place.

In other business, commissioners voted to accept a proposal from Switch I.T. for computer repair services in county offices, approved monthly bills, and voted to leave the retirement rate at 3% for the employee retirement

plan. A policy clarifying the carryover of vacation days for county employees was also approved.

County Judge H.G. Franklin presided at the meeting with all four commissioners present including Don Blair, Mike Braddock, Keith Wied and Danny Martin, and other officials.

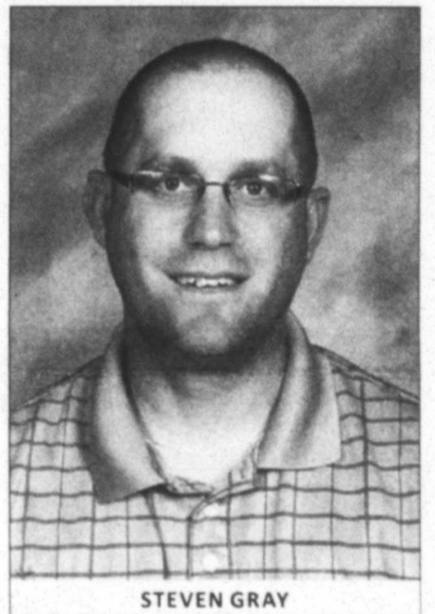
Steven Gray named head girls' basketball coach for Tahoka ISD

Steven Gray, an assistant coach and math teacher at Tahoka High School, was named head girls' basketball coach at the Tahoka ISD Board of Trustees special meeting held last Monday night. The position was approved unanimously by the six members of the board present at the meeting.

Gray has been at Tahoka ISD for the past three years, but has 10 years of experience in teaching and coaching. He spent six years in Christoval, coaching football, basketball and tennis, and was the head boys' basketball coach for three years there. He then moved to Seagraves, and coached there one year in the football program, as well as assistant girls' basketball coach and the head softball coach. His first year in Tahoka, Gray was the defensive coordinator in the Bulldog football program, and coached junior high basketball and track. During the last two years he has been the defensive coordinator, assistant boys basketball coach, and helped with track and tennis in the spring.

"I am excited about the opportunity to be a part of the girls basketball program here in Tahoka," said Gray, adding, "I am looking forward to working with the girls to make this program as successful as possible."

Gray and his wife, Tonia, have two children, a 4-year-old daughter named Kristin and a 3-year-old son named



STEVEN GRAY

Dustin. In other business at the June 3 meeting, trustees approved a teaching contract for Holley Cornelius as an elementary teacher, and approved increasing the district's contribution to employee health insurance from \$298 to \$325.

Trustees approved the purchase of 36 Dell desktop computers at a cost of \$19,839.96 and 29 Dell laptop computers at a cost of \$18,921.34. The desktop computers are for use district-wide to replace outdated computers, and the laptops are for elementary staff members.

Where in the world is The Lynn County News? in Washington, D.C.

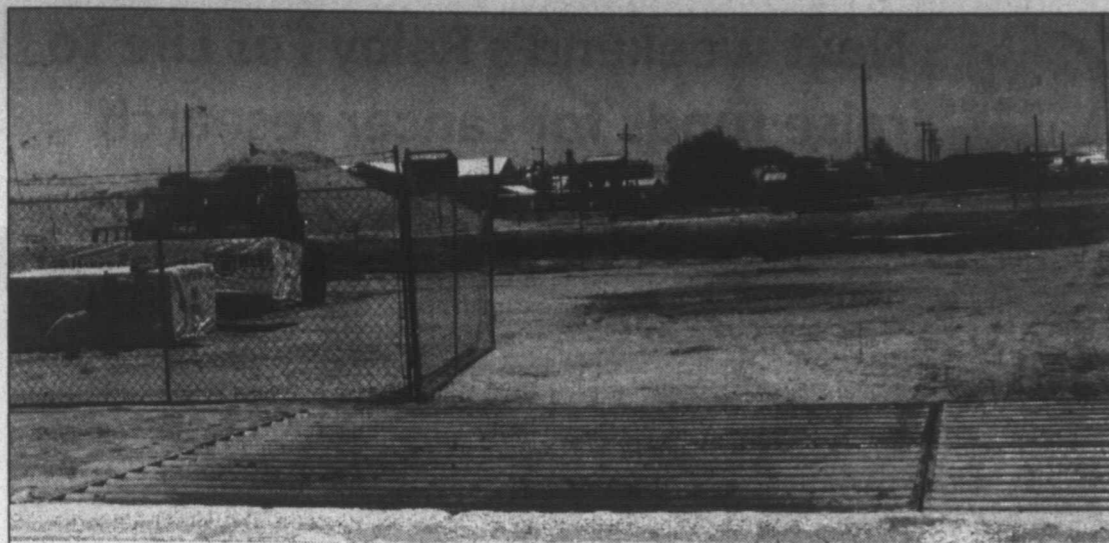
LCN readers in Washington, DC

The Lynn County News is in Washington DC, with these readers who are seated on the steps of the Jefferson Memorial. It was the annual trip to the nation's capital for local middle school youth, sponsored by Tahoka Middle School teacher Lynn Lankford. The group was met by former Tahokan Leigh McAfee (back, left) who lives and works in the area.

Students include, in back next to Leigh: Elizabeth McAfee, Zayne Sires and Patrick Herrera; and in front from left, Natalie Stice, Averi Starkey, Klynn McCleskey and Olivia Hammonds. (Photo submitted by Bre Anne McCleskey)



Words of Inspiration: "My father gave me the greatest gift anyone could give another person – he believed in me." — JIM VALVANO



Under construction ... work has begun on the new Lyntegar headquarters building located at the corner of U.S. Hwy 87 west access road and Lockwood.

City Council appoints two to fill vacancies on ACT Board

Two Tahoka residents, Lynn County Hospital Administrator Stacey Holland, and Sarah Garcia, an employee at the Lynn County Tax Assessor's office, were named to fill two vacancies on the ACT Board (Advancing the Community of Tahoka), in a unanimous decision by Tahoka City Council members at their meeting Monday night. The appointments were made to fill the positions being vacated by ACT Chairman Vernon Baker, who is moving away from the community, and Gloria DeLeon, who is resigning from her seat on the board.

The seven-member ACT Board was formed to spearhead community improvement projects, targeting areas that get daily usage, such as the city mini-park and swimming pool, or that may visually impact the community. Funding for these projects is collected from a half-cent city sales tax approved by voters in an election held in 2010. ACT Board members will elect new officers at their first meeting with the two new members.

In other business at the city council meeting, city officials adopted an ordinance banning the sale, public display for sale, gift, barter, delivery, possession or use of illicit synthetic drugs and misbranded drugs within the city. Council member Amy Preston was appointed as Mayor Pro-Tem, to serve if Mayor John Baker is absent from city meetings/events.

Code Enforcement Officer

Jimmy Woodard submitted a resignation from his duties, citing health issues, and the city is accepting applications to fill this part-time position. Additionally, applications are being accepted for the position of Municipal Court Judge, another part-time position with the city, due to the pending retirement of Judge Jerry Ford.

Monthly bills were approved, and the meeting adjourned in under an hour.



"Sweet treats and eats"... Lynnwood residents enjoyed treats and eats at Card's Café last week. The trip was possible due to a generous donation from Leland and Barbara White and Bruce Franklin. Residents attending were (from left) Mattie Turner, Earlene Fenton, Virginia Griffing, Naoma Moore, Jerry Slover, Willie Gundrum, Jackie Castaneda, Dalene McMinn, and Patty Gandy. Activity Director Connie Braddock along with everyone at Lynnwood would like to say "Thank You" for the donation and "Thank you, Card's for the wonderful service, especially Rosa." Anyone is welcome to visit at Lynnwood anytime or join in playing bingo on Mondays or a movie on Wednesdays at 2:30, or exercise Monday-Thursday at 11 a.m. For a calendar of events, contact Lynnwood at (806) 998-1226.

What's new at the Library

CITY-COUNTY LIBRARY
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Shattered Silence

by Margaret Daley
Texas Ranger Cody Jackson is paired with local police officer

Liliana Rodriguez as they investigate a serial killer targeting illegal aliens and try to calm the growing unrest of the Mexican Americans who live in the area. (Christian Fiction)

Severe Clear

by Stuart Woods
Overseeing the grand opening of an ultra-luxury hotel on the grounds of his late wife's Bel-Air mansion, Stone Barrington presides over a star-studded gala attended by socialites, royalty and billionaires and is compelled to call in favors by friends in the CIA when the NSA receives intelligence that the affair has attracted the attention of international terrorists. (Mystery/Suspense)

Letters to the Editor

Disaster relief for Oklahoma

Thank you to all who donated items for disaster relief in Carney, OK, where over 50 families lost everything in recent tornadoes.

We delivered items to the disaster relief truck on May 31, and appreciate all of Tahoka and the area for helping with donations.

Rick & Diana Schwartz

Enjoy Woodwork

I want to definitely renew my subscription to the paper to keep up with our local/Lynn County News. And I also love to read "Woodwork" by Dalton Wood. I never met the chap, but he must be a very sharp guy to be so witty!

Thank you,
Beth Koehn

Thanks for City Pride

You should drive down main street by the Lynn County News office ... City pride as well as personal pride is shown by the beautiful floral baskets at the office.

Thanks for making our town proud.

Ann R. Patterson

Senior Citizen's LUNCH MENU

June 17-21

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

Tuesday: chicken teriyaki, fried rice, veg. blend, strawberries & bananas

Wednesday: Taco pie/salad topping, pinto beans, chuck wagon corn, tortilla, peanut butter cup

Thursday: Macaroni beef/tomato, lima beans, fruit & oatmeal bar

Friday: Chicken salad sandwich, lettuce, tomato, pickle, macaroni salad, carrot sticks, watermelon

Mark your calendars...

• Community Fundraiser to benefit the Center coming up! Watch for details

• Wii bowling tournament coming very soon! Be sure to check our facebook page for upcoming details and events happening at the Center.

• Monetary donations are encouraged and greatly appreciated and needed.

• We still have plenty of the Timeless Treasures Cookbooks available for \$12 each.

• The Center has gently used medical equipment available to lend out. Please call us at 561-5264 for more information.

• The Center offers a program called Feed Our Community. A ten-day lunch ticket for a suggested donation of \$35. If the individual is under 60, a ten-day lunch ticket costs \$50. The lunch ticket can be used for an on-site meal, a take-out meal or delivery (if eligible). Tickets can be purchased for a specific person or donated and the Center will pick a person. A great birthday gift!

• Aluminum can recycle is located on N. 5th street across from the City Barn. All donations benefit the Sr. Citizen's Center home delivery and congregate meal programs. Please tie bags before placing them in the bin.



Oklahoma disaster relief ... Rick and Diana Schwartz of Tahoka delivered items donated in Tahoka to Carney, Oklahoma recently to aid with disaster relief for tornado ravaged towns. In the photo below, residents of Carney, OK wait for donations.



Now at the City-County Library:

Low Pressure
by Sandra Brown

Publishing under a pseudonym, Bellamy Lyston writes a sensational, best-selling novel about her sister's murder eighteen years earlier and the tornado that destroyed the crime scene, and becomes the target of a stalker after a tabloid newspaper discovers the truth. (Mystery/Suspense)

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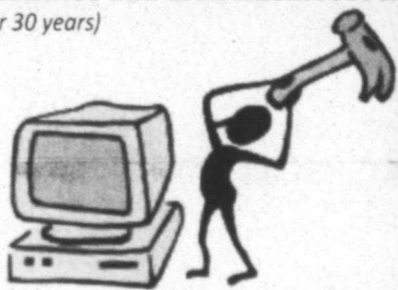
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Tahoka in Kenya ...

Patrick Wells (in sunglasses), a junior at Baylor University in Waco and a 2011 TMS grad, visits with youth in Kenya. He performed in music ministry with the Baylor Men's Choir, and worked in hands-on service projects, during a mission trip to Kenya recently.

Serving others ...

Tahoka man travels to Kenya to sing, serve others in men's choir mission trip

Patrick Wells, a Tahoka graduate attending Baylor University in Waco, returned recently from a summer trip to Africa with the Baylor Men's Choir, where they performed in music ministry as well as working in hands-on service projects during a 15-day trip to Kenya.

Forty-five members of the 93-member choir made the 21-hour flight trip, including Patrick, son of Haney and Tanya Wells of Tahoka. He is a 2011 graduate of Tahoka High School. Wells, a junior, is studying for a double-major at the

business school at Baylor, in Management Information Systems and Media Business.

"Going to Kenya with the Baylor Men's Choir was an incredible experience," said Wells. "We worked with many different groups of people there,

including the Maasai, Kukuyu, and Pokot tribes. While there, we not only did music ministry but provided essential clothing to children in villages and schools and had a multi-day service project in which we painted and installed gutters to catch fresh water at a school for Maasai Girls.

"Going into the trip, I wasn't prepared for how much the people there would bless us in return. Wherever we went, we were treated with immense hospitality. Living in a society where it is easy to take things for granted, it is very humbling to see people who don't have much giving up what may be all they have, just so that people who have come to serve them can feel welcome and at home with them," he added.

The group was in Kenya from May 19-June 3, performing several concerts and in worship services with different congregations throughout the trip, as well as interacting with the locals in villages, children's orphanages, children's centers, and schools. The group also enjoyed a photo safari while there.



Music ministry ... Patrick Wells (young man at left) sings with the Baylor Men's Choir in music ministry during their trip to Kenya. Forty-five young men, almost half of the 93-member choir, made the trip.



Next weekend's Relay For Life to raise funds for cancer research

Area citizens are encouraged to participate in the June 21st Relay For Life event at the Tahoka High School football field, that kicks off at 7 p.m. Friday night (June 21) and continues until 7 a.m. Saturday. The 12-hour Relay For Life is an overnight community fundraising walk that raises funds for the American Cancer Society for cancer research. Teams of people camp out around a track, and members of each team take turns walking around the track. Food, games and activities provide entertainment and build camaraderie at the event.

There are several teams who have signed up to participate in the Relay, but anyone is welcome to participate in the event. Come for the opening ceremonies at 7 p.m. and stay to encourage walkers, or walk with them, and support the teams who will have booths with food for sale, games and other activities. Groups are welcome to form new teams to join in the fun, and should contact Julia Allen for more information.

All Lynn County cancer survivors and caregivers are invited to come walk the special Survivors Lap. Anyone interested in participating in this celebratory event should contact Julia Allen, chairman, at Lynn County Hospital District, phone 998-4533 ext. 333.

"Please, if you are a cancer survivor, come join us in the special Survivors Lap to celebrate your victory over cancer," says Allen. "Just call me for more information, and allow us the privilege of recognizing our local cancer survivors," she added.

During the Survivors Lap, all cancer survivors at the event take the first lap around the track, celebrating their victory over cancer while cheered on by the other participants who line the track. Relay For Life events also recognize and celebrate caregivers, who give time, love, and support to their friends, family, neighbors, and coworkers facing cancer.

The Luminaria Ceremony takes place after dark, and is a time to remember people who were lost to cancer, honor people who have fought cancer

in the past, and support those whose fight continues. Candles are lit inside of personalized bags and are placed around the Relay track as glowing tributes to those who've been affected by cancer. The white paper bags may be purchased at the event, or prior to the Relay For Life at the hospital, Jolly Time Pizza, or The Lynn County News. Bags may be decorated and returned for the event, or purchasers (bags are \$5 each) may ask the Luminaria committee to write the designated names on the bags for the ceremony.

An emotionally powerful Fight Back Ceremony inspires Relay participants to take action. The Fight Back Ceremony symbolizes the emotional commitment each person can make in the fight against cancer for ourselves, for our loved ones, and for our community to fight cancer year-round and to commit to saving lives.

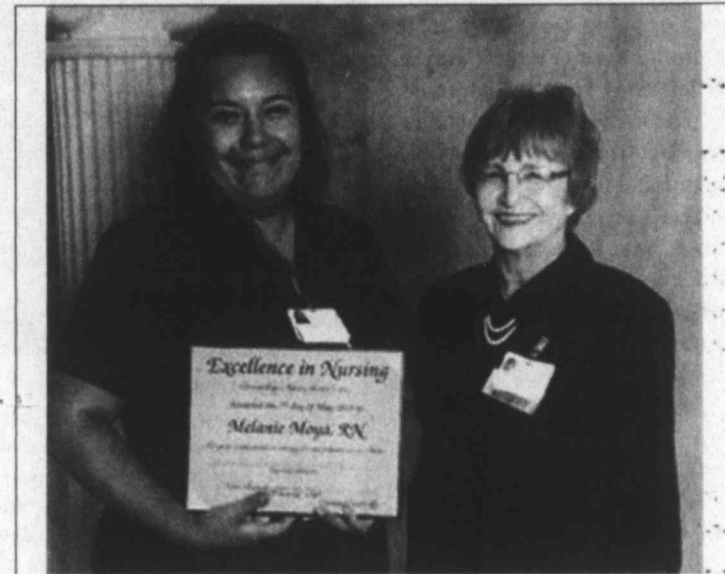
This year, the American Cancer Society is observing



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their 100th year, with the theme "Finishing the Fight." According to ACS statistics, two out of three people now survive cancer, but their goal is to reach 3-for-3.

The ACS provides information and resources for cancer patients, day-to-day help and support groups, and emotional support for cancer victims and their families. As the world's largest private funder of cancer research, the ACS supports the best ideas of the brightest cancer researchers and has been involved in nearly every major cancer breakthrough in the past century, according to the ACS website.



Excellence award...Melanie Moya (left), of Tahoka, received the Excellence in Nursing Award for Staffing Operations for Covenant Health System during Nurses Week. She has been working with Covenant Health System for the last three years. She and her husband Jesus have three children, Jeremiah, Madison, and Makayla. She is the daughter of Paul and Louisa Bernal and the granddaughter of Porifrio and Lola Garcia, all of Tahoka, and Consuelo and the late Alfonso Bernal Sr., of O'Donnell.

CONGRESSMAN RANDY NEUGEBAUER

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19th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Dig into Summer Reading at City-County Library

A Kick-Off Party will be Friday, June 14 at 3:00 p.m. at the Tahoka City-County Library for the Summer Reading Program that will be held July 22-26. Register for the summer reading program and get a taste of what their weeklong event has to offer. There will be story time, crafts and refreshments, and more.

"You don't have to attend the kick-off party to participate, just come by the library anytime after Friday to register your child," stated Claudia Guin, librarian. Call 561-4050 for more info.

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