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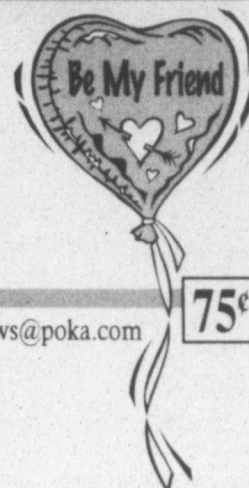


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See 210 photos of beautiful, happy grandchildren in this Valentine Brag edition! Grandparents, thanks for sharing your photos with us!

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on Monday, Feb. 17, 2014



EARLY VOTING for the Republican Primary is Feb. 18-28

in the County Clerk's Election Room on the 1st floor of the Lynn County Courthouse during regular business hours (8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and closed 12-1 pm for lunch)

Reminder: Bring your Voter Registration card and Photo ID

What's Outside

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Feb. 4	51	22	0.01"
Feb. 5	24	13	
Feb. 6	17	8	trace
Feb. 7	43	8	
Feb. 8	68	15	
Feb. 9	73	31	
Feb. 10	24	21	
Total Precip for Jan.:			0.0"
Total Precip for Feb.:			0.48"
Total Precip. for 2014:			0.48"



Carla Holland and Prince Caspian

A PRINCE AMONG DOGS ...

Local canine's weekly visit pleases Lynnwood residents, LCHD patients

by JUANELL JONES

Prince Caspian visits Lynnwood Independent and Assisted Living Center in Tahoka every week, making a stop at each room to see friends who have come to look forward to the weekly royal visit. 'Caspian,' as his friends know him, gets up close and personal, shaking hands and thrusting a cold nose forward eagerly to receive a pat on the head. He's a therapy dog, and he brings a smile to many faces as he makes his weekly rounds.

Prince Caspian is a two-year-old Sheltie, and Lynnwood is just one of the places he and owner Carla Holland visit. On Tuesdays they visit a nursing home in Slaton, on Wednesdays they visit Lynnwood residents and patients at Lynn County Hospital and swing-bed, and once a month they travel to Lubbock to visit the children's hospital at University Medical Center. Mrs. Holland gets paid nothing for bringing her friendly canine to visit, but she says her reward is seeing how people react to Caspian.

"Everyone really seems to love him," says Holland. "When we come to Lynnwood, we go by every room, and then when we finish here we go to the hospital next door and visit the patients there. Most people just love dogs, and the visits seem to cheer them up. Caspian enjoys it too!" she added.

Therapy dogs are dogs that are used to bring comfort and joy to those who are ill or under poor conditions, such as those who have been affected by a natural disaster, according to information from the U.S. Dog Registry.

Many people are able to connect with dogs and feel the love that they provide, and this has a therapeutic effect on them. Therapy dogs are generally very calm and well behaved, so that they do not upset or make uncomfortable those around them. A therapy dog is trained to provide affection and comfort to people in hospitals, retire-

ment homes, nursing homes, schools, hospices, disaster areas, and to people with learning difficulties.

"Prior to every visit, I say a prayer asking that Caspian and I can be a blessing to those we see. I love making the visits, and I get such a blessing from it," says Holland. "Before I

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"It is profoundly moving to see how dogs have the ability to help calm and soothe agitated individuals while lifting the spirits of those who are sad and lonely. They provide a medium for physical touch and display affection for those who have lived isolated lives. The mere presence of a dog raises the spirits of a person and the petting and touching of the fur allows one to have a wonderful object toward which to express their affection."

-- THERAPY DOGS INTERNATIONAL

Danny Martin seeks re-election to Pct. 4 Commissioner seat

Lynn County Precinct 4 Commissioner Danny Martin announces his bid for re-election this week.

Danny and his wife, Doris, have lived in Lynn County for 11 years. He managed an irrigation dealership for 15 years in the county, and has owned and operated Martin Irrigation for the past 3-1/2 years, as well as a cattle operation.

As commissioner, he has completed 47 hours of government classroom training and has a near-perfect attendance record for commissioners meetings, missing only one due to a family medical emergency. He serves voluntarily as Lynn County's representative for the South Plains Community Action Association, and he attended the South Plains Association of Government session on grants, assisting in submitting for a grant in which Lynn County was awarded \$8700 for equipment. Martin has strived to keep county equipment upgraded, serviced and in good condition, and has experience in dealing with municipal contracts and purchasing heavy equipment. He is eager to assist with equipment and personnel in emergency situations such as responding to grass fires or other emergencies. He is a strong believer of youth organizations, donating his time and money in support of these groups.



DANNY MARTIN

"For over three years, I have served as your Commissioner in Precinct 4. It has been a very educational and trying experience in keeping within a budget and yet supplying the needs of the citizens of the community and Precinct 4," said Martin.

"As we get the roads in good shape, we hope to put material on them that will make them last longer. We have currently applied for an energy grant of over \$260,000 that will be of great use for our county, and hopefully some of this can be used for material to improve our roads.

"I approach being commissioner as a board member of a business, with a com-

(See MARTIN ANNOUNCES, page 14)



He's so smart ... Lynnwood resident Earline Fenton shakes Caspian's paw, as Dalene McMinn waits her turn to visit with their favorite canine friend. "He's such a smart dog, and we love for him to come see us," said Mrs. Fenton. (LCN PHOTO)

Democrat? Not to worry, can still vote in Republican Primary

by JUANELL JONES

Lynn County Democrats will not have a Democratic Primary election to mark ballots on come March 4, but may still vote in the Republican Primary. Lynn County Election Official Susan Tipton reminds county citizens.

"Any registered voter may vote in the Republican Primary, regardless of which party they are affiliated," Tipton said. A Democrat may vote in the Republican Primary and still vote for any candidate of any party - Republican, Democrat, or Independent - in the November General Election.

"There has been some confusion among Democrats that they may not be allowed to vote in the March Primary since there will not be a Democratic Primary ballot in Lynn County (due to the fact that Lynn County does not have a County

Democratic Chairman to oversee the election)," said Tipton. "However, anyone - Democrat or Republican - may vote in the Republican Primary. All of our local elections will be decided in the Republican Primary, as all candidates for county races filed on the Republican ticket, and I want it to be clear that any Lynn County citizen who is a registered voter is eligible to vote in the Republican Primary," she explained.

Early voting for the Republican Primary begins Feb. 18 and continues through Feb. 28. Vote during regular business hours at the Lynn County Clerk's Election Room on the first floor in the county courthouse in Tahoka.

Tipton invites anyone with inquiries about whether they may vote in the primary to contact her at the Lynn County Clerk's Office, 561-4750.



Words of Inspiration:

" Everything has beauty, but not everyone can see. "

-- CONFUCIUS

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New Home, O'Donnell girls meet in playoff

O'Donnell and New Home girls basketball teams were scheduled to play each other Tuesday night in Post to determine which team would advance into the next round of the playoffs. The results were not known by press time.

O'Donnell girls were runners-up in Dist. 6, won by Grady, and New Home girls were third in Dist. 5, behind Petersburg and Ropes.



We built robots ... New Home ISD Junior High students competed in the TCEA robotics competition on Jan. 25. Pictured in front from left are Effi Correa, Alice Hamilton, Constance Adams, and Riley Stokes. Center row from left, Hunter Bolton, Parker Littlefield, and Jeremiah Wandell-Perez; and back row from left, Daniel Hall, Brayden Kirkland, Vicente Fuentes, Eduardo Fuentes, and Blaine Kirkland.

New Home JH teams compete in robotics contests

New Home ISD Junior High students competed in the TCEA (Texas Computer Education Association) robotics competition held January 25 at Lubbock High, their first year to compete at the event. There were four New Home teams competing, two in the Arena division, and two in the Inventions division.

In the Arena division, students were given a challenge about three months before competition. They were then to build a robot and program it to do as many tasks in this challenge as possible. All the programming is done prior to the

competition and students are not allowed to remotely control their robot during the match. The New Home teams placed 13th and 14th out of 24 teams in the Arena division.

Competition in the Inventions division is quite a bit different, with students allowed to create any kind of inventions they choose as long as it is somehow operated by a Lego NXT brick.

"Our students came up with an automatic fish feeder and a robot that would put your shoes in the closet for you. At the competition these teams had to sell their products to the judges including how it could be used, how they would market it and who it would benefit," explained teacher Sabrina Multer. "I am very proud of all the work these students have put into robotics this year."

Obituaries

Jose "Indio" Vasquez

A Memorial Mass for Jose "Indio" Sanchez Vasquez will be held Thursday, Feb. 13 at 5:30 p.m. at St. John Neumann, 19th and Frankford Ave in Lubbock, with Father Jerry Kenney officiating.

Ecumenical services honoring Vasquez's Cherokee heritage were held at the Draw Cemetery on Jan. 14.



Manuel Vasquez Sr.

Rosary for Manuel Vasquez Sr., 86, of Idalou was held on Wednesday, Feb. 12, at 7 pm at Calvillo Funeral Home Chapel. Funeral services will be Thursday, Feb. 13 at 10 am at Calvillo Funeral Home Chapel with Martin Pina officiating. Burial will be in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park under the direction of Calvillo Funeral Home and Chapel. He died February 9, 2014 in Lubbock.

He was born on December 11, 1927 in Kenedy, to Juan and Francisca Vasquez, who preceded him in death. He married Abelia Flores on November 25, 1948 in Kenedy. He moved to Idalou in 1991 after retiring from the City of Dumas Sanitation Department. He was a Catholic.

Survivors include his wife Abelia Vasquez of Idalou; six sons, Arturo Vasquez of New Home, Manuel Vasquez Jr of Wolfforth, Eliseo Vasquez of Lubbock, Felix Vasquez of Idalou, Adan Vasquez of Bryan, and Abel Vasquez of Round Rock; five daughters, Margaret Garcia of Idalou, Francis Mendoza of Lubbock, Christine Flores of Katy, Vicki Garcia and Liza Vasquez both of Lubbock; two brothers Jose Vasquez of Wilson and Andres Vasquez of Graham; a sister Ramona Vasquez of Wilson; 30 grandchildren, 41 great-grandchildren and five great-great grandchildren.

Correction

A name was incorrectly printed in the Lynn County Stock Show results for the swine division, in last week's Lynn County News. Trenton Anderson won first place in Class 1 in the Hampshire division. The News regrets the error.

NO TEXTING!
Park the phone when you drive.

Woodwork
Dalton Wood

COMMENTING on a couple of recent headlines on the Microsoft News Network:

1. Marbles belonging to Anne Frank rediscovered.

This headline refers to the young Jewish girl who went into hiding in a concealed apartment in the Netherlands in 1942, about two years after the beginning of the Nazi occupation of that country in World War II. In 1944 the family was betrayed and deported to a Nazi concentration camp, where the child died of typhus in 1945.

She kept a diary, which was recovered and published by her father, Otto, the only member of the family to survive. It became the most widely read document to emerge from the Holocaust, and its fame included a movie, *The Diary of Anne Frank*.

It was learned last week that just before the family went into hiding, Anne Frank gave some of her toys, including a collection of marbles, to a non-Jewish girlfriend who lived next door. The friend, now 83, recently gave the tin of marbles to be displayed in an art gallery in Rotterdam.

It has been suggested to me on occasion (unkindly, I thought) that I may have lost some of my own marbles. Maybe they will be rediscovered sometime in the future.

2. NY Man bites brother's ear off during party.

A roommate told police the brothers had been drinking before they started roughhousing after the Super Bowl, and the tussle turned violent. A 27-year-old man bit off part of his brother's ear and then knocked him out. The younger brother was treated at a hospital and the biter was jailed on an assault charge, with bond set at \$15,000.

Perhaps the headline on that story should have been "Can You Hear Me Now?" At least, this sounds more exciting than the game, especially if you were rooting for Denver.

Senior Citizen's MENU

- Feb 17-21**
Monday: Closed for President's Day
Tuesday: Breaded fish on a bun, potato wedges, coleslaw, peach chantilly
Wednesday: Shepherd's pie, stewed okra & tomatoes, coleslaw, butterscotch pudding
Thursday: Pork chop, black-eyed peas, spinach, cornbread, baked apple
Friday: Chicken fried steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, stewed okra, corn, pumpkin square
- Mark your calendars...**
• BINGO will be held Feb. 18 at 1:30. Please come and join us!
• Cookbooks and baby quilts for sale at the Center! Check them out on our Facebook page ... Lynn County Pioneers Senior Citizens Center
• It's tax time! Consider making a donation to the Center. We are a non-profit organization. Monetary donations are encouraged and greatly appreciated.
• The Center has gently used medical equipment available to lend out. Call 561-5264 for info.

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Thank you for your support! Your vote is greatly appreciated!
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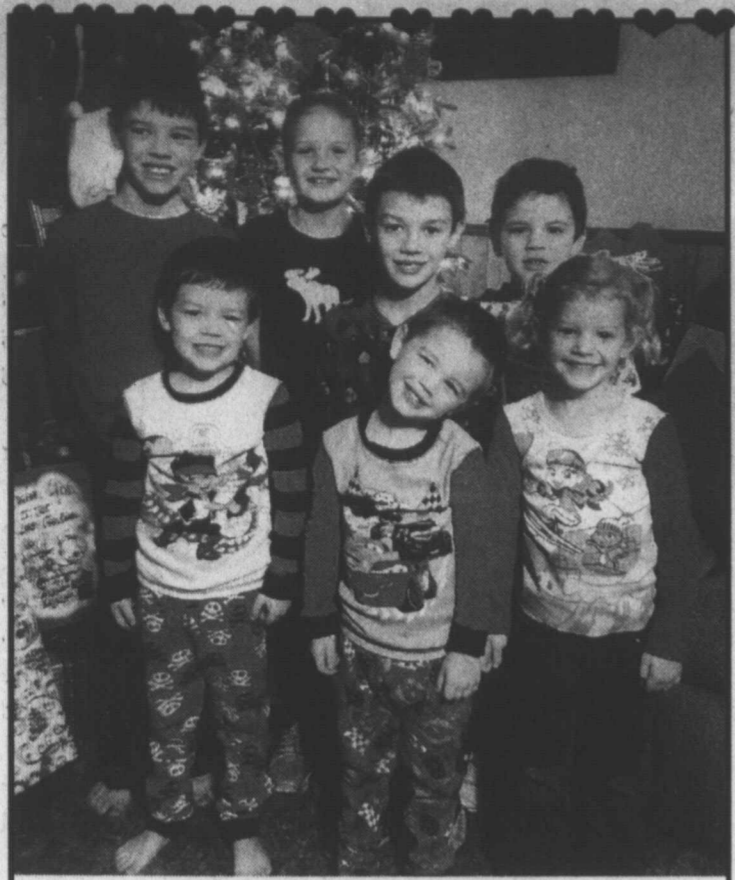
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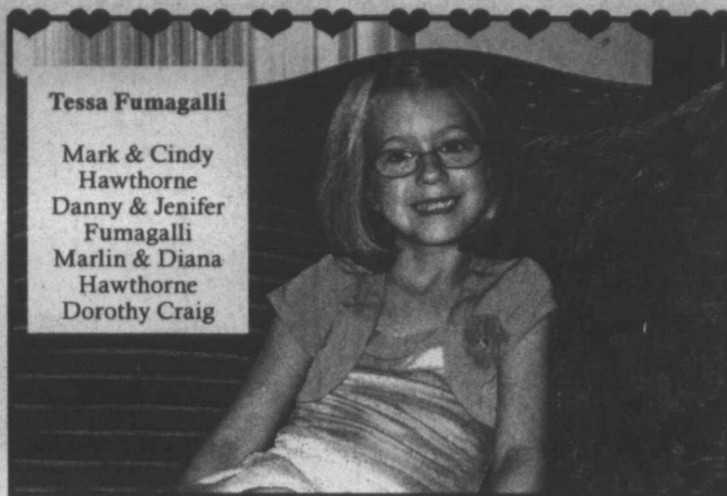
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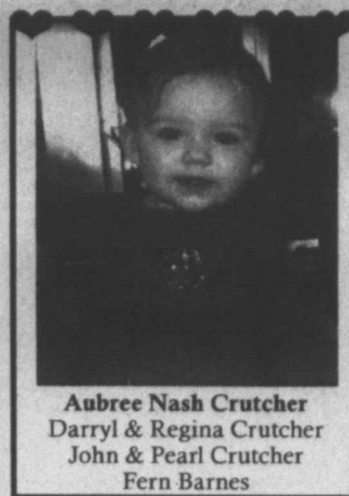
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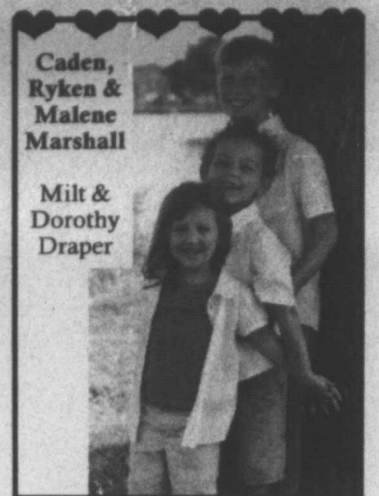
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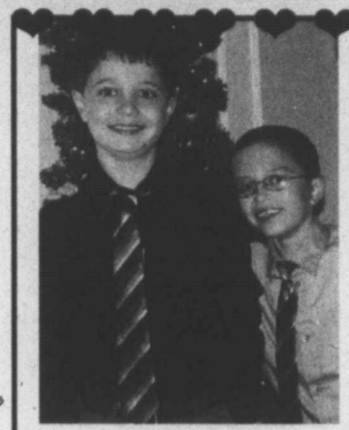
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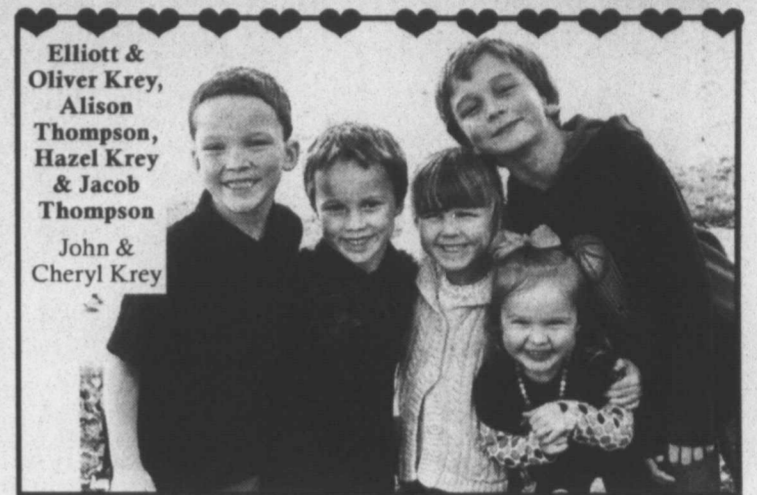
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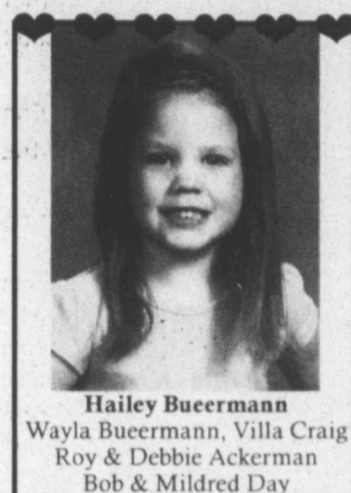
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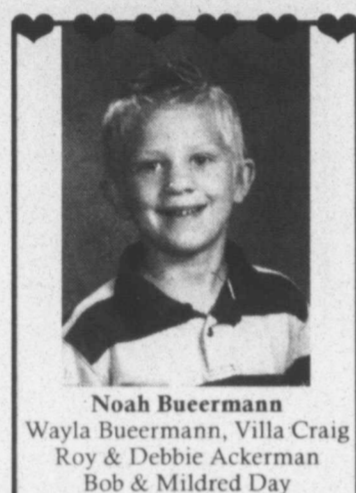
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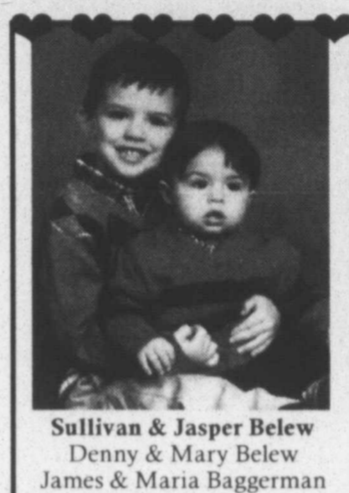
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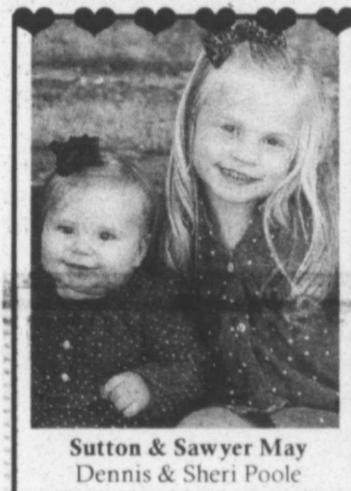
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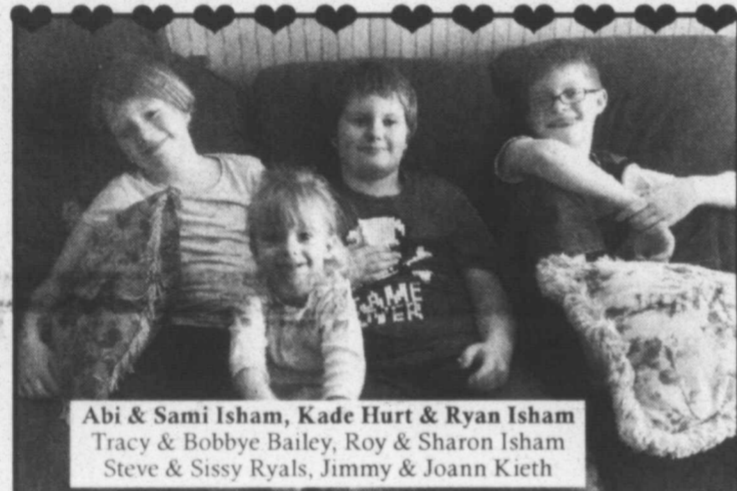
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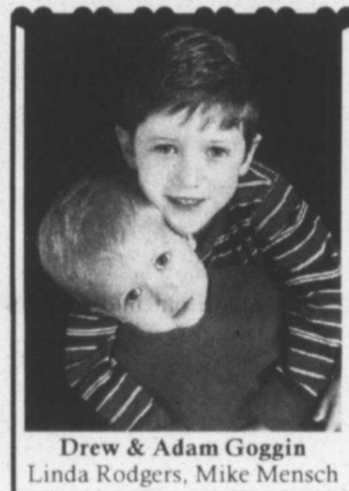
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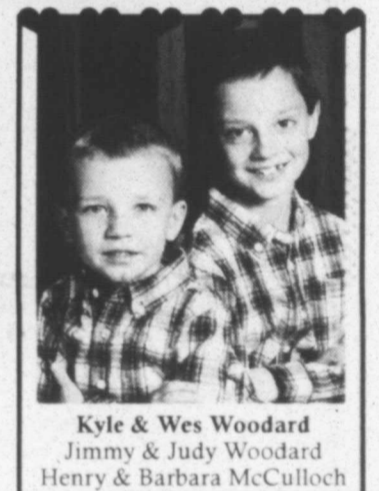
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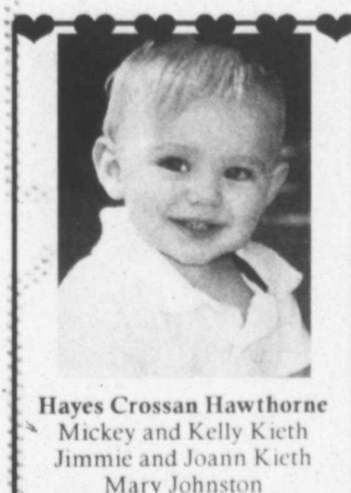


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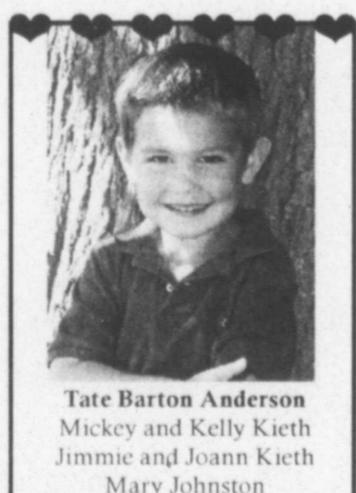


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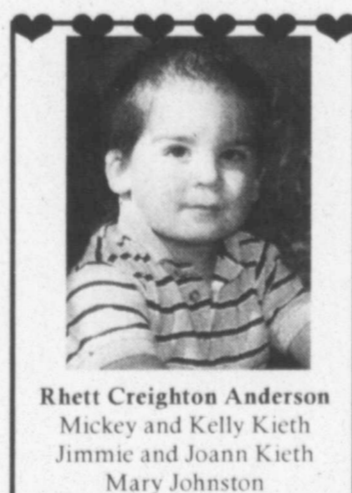
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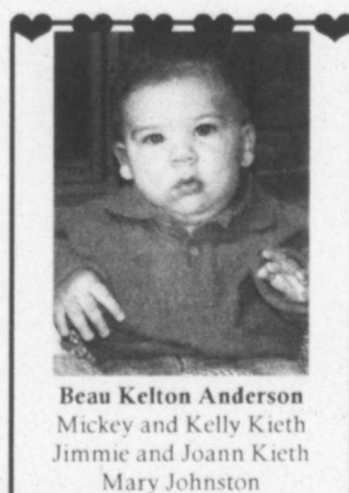
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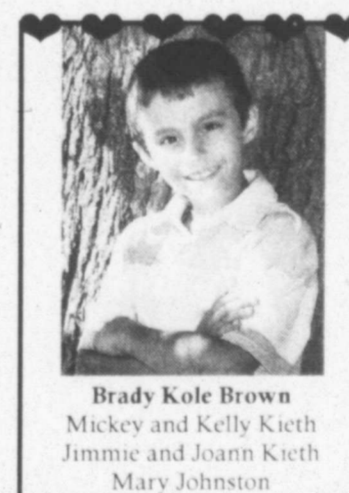
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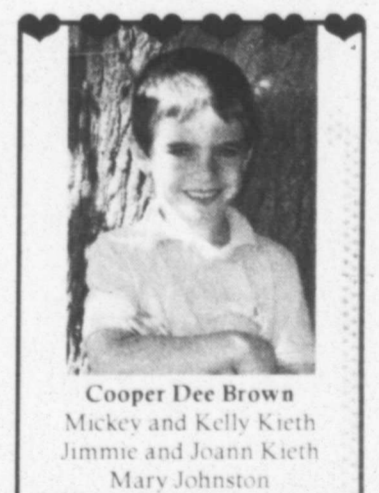
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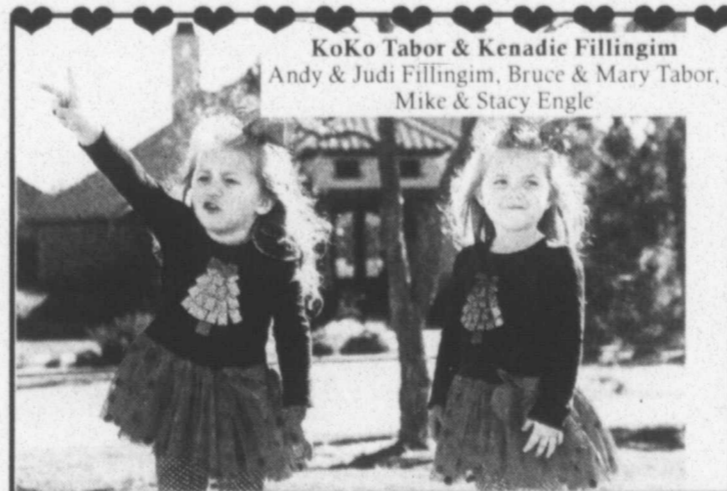
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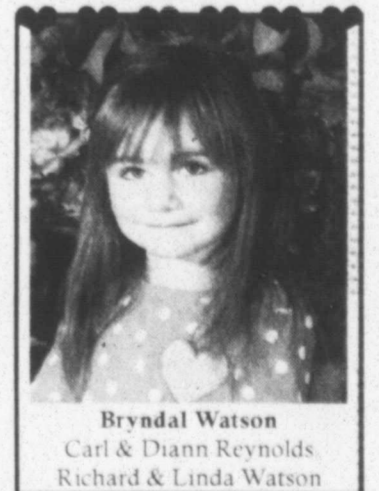
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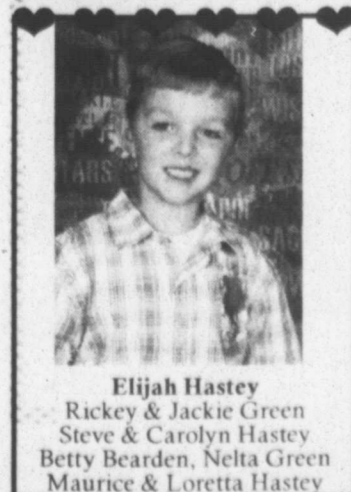
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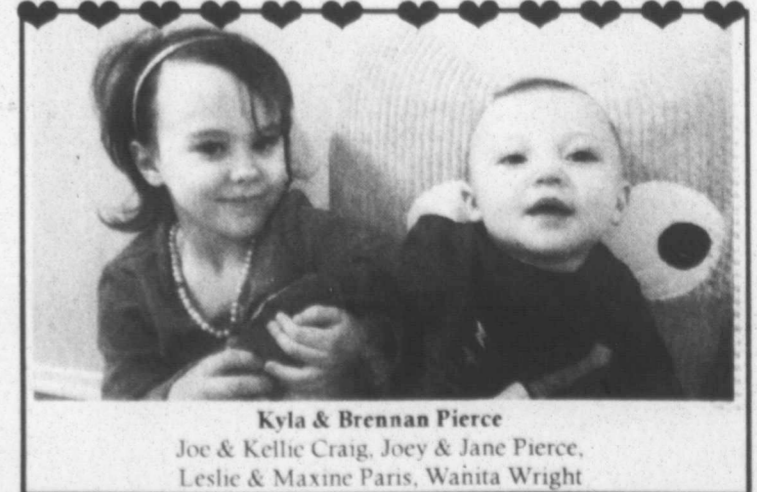
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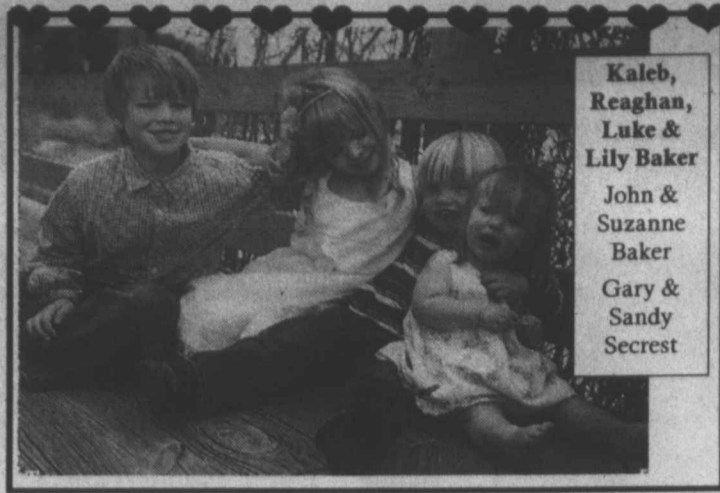
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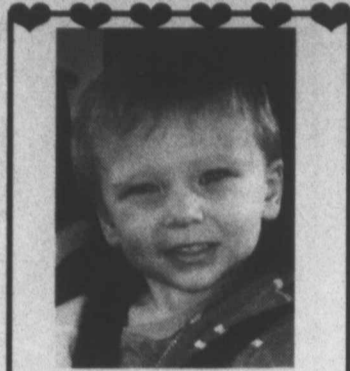
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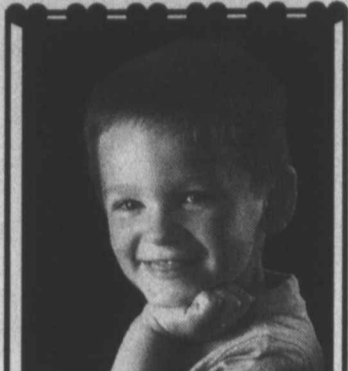
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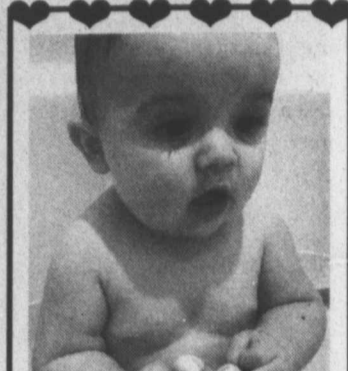


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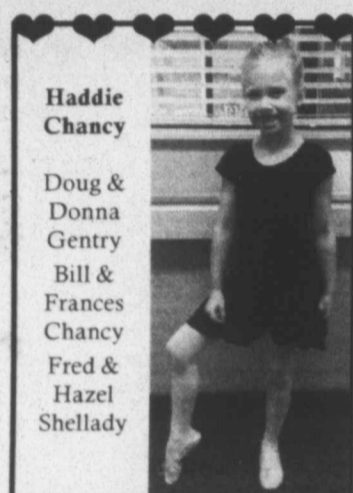
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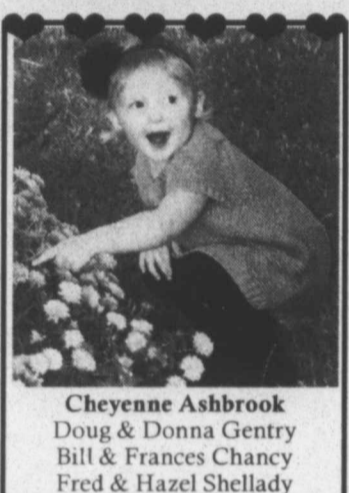
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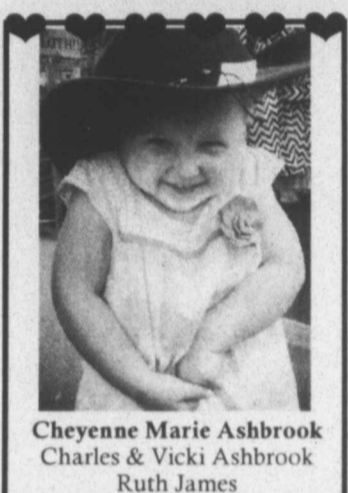


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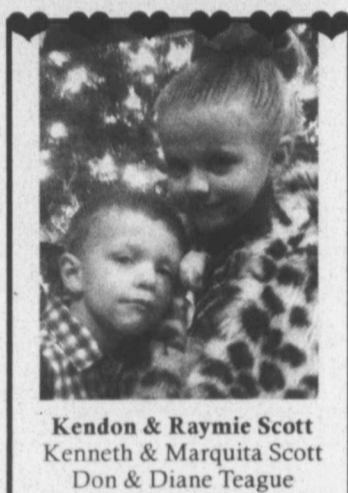
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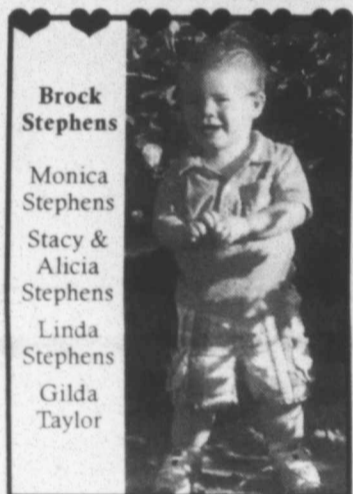
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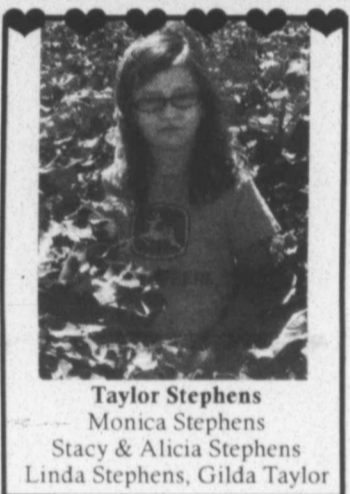


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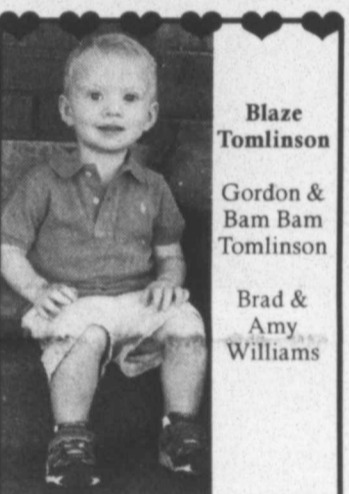
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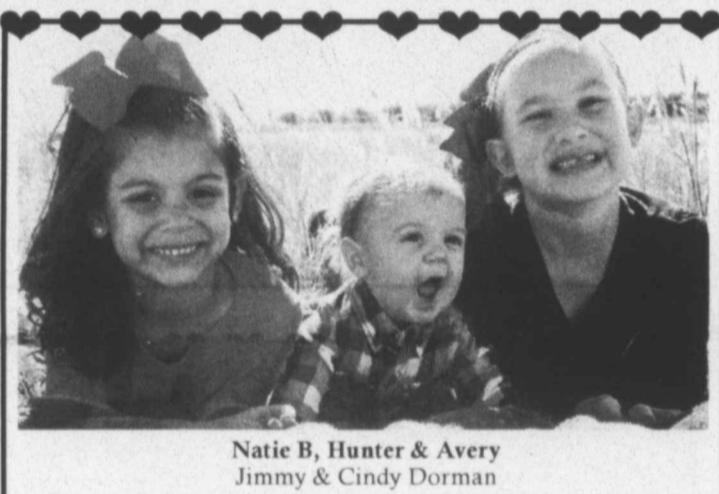
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Happy Valentines Day to all these cuties!

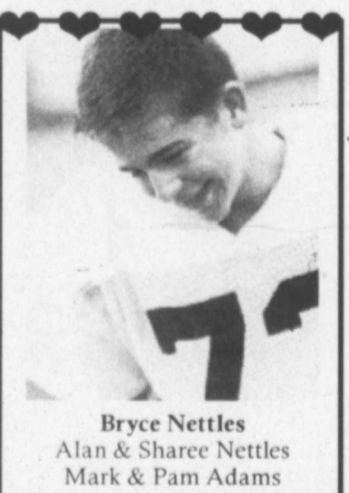


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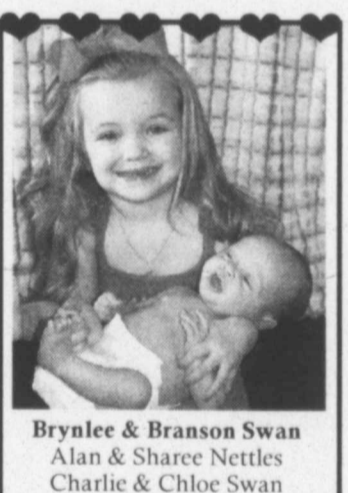
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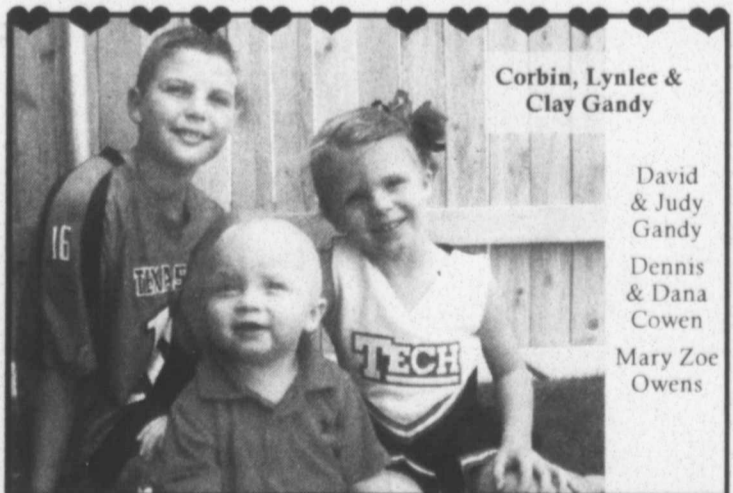
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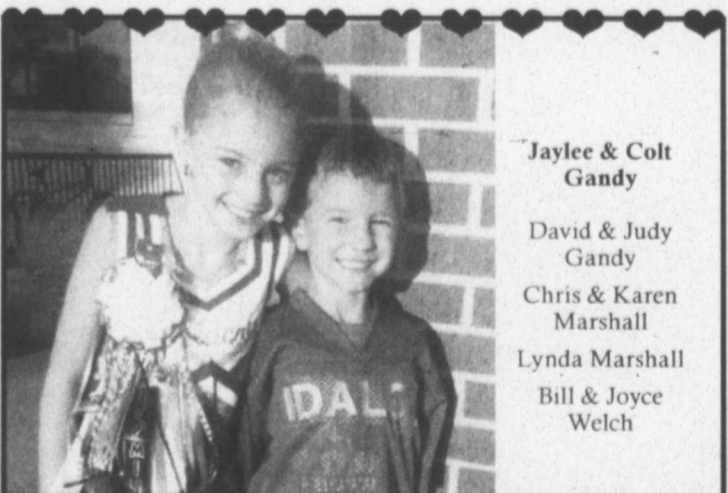


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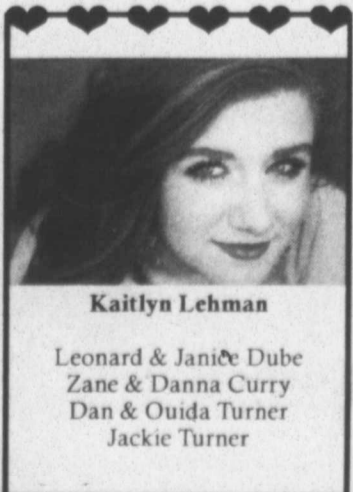
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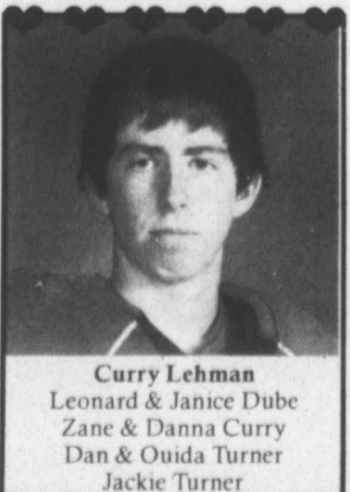
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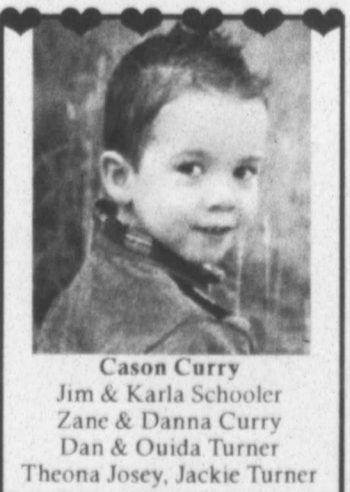
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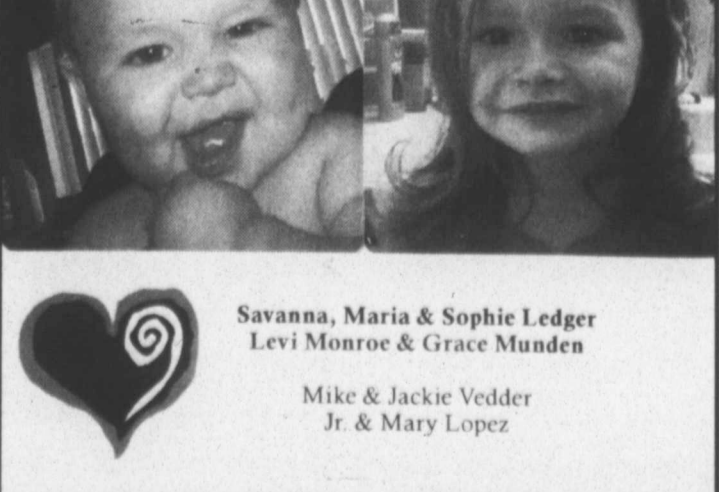
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became involved in the dog therapy program I really had not been around elderly people much, and although I was sure that Caspian would be great I was not sure how I would do – and I absolutely love it. We have made so many friends, and look forward to coming every week. It is such a joy to me, and I can tell that Caspian enjoys it too.”

Holland says that research indicates the therapeutic benefits of animal companionship, such as relieving stress, lowering blood pressure, and raising spirits, and she said some research indicates that the dog may also receive similar benefits.

“Petting a dog makes people happy,” Holland says of the patients she visits. “And Caspian is happy too, obviously enjoying the attention. He will lift his paw to shake hands, and lay his head on their laps to be petted. If a patient is in a bed I will lift him up to them, and in many cases he will lie beside them on the edge of the bed if they are okay with that. He is very attentive, and it seems that he can tell if someone is really sick and

that he needs to be quiet and still. It’s funny, because with the nursing staff he is all wiggly and excited with them as they pet him, but then he will mellow out when he walks into a patient’s room, and is calm and more subdued when patients are petting him,” she explains.

Holland said that in some cases, healthcare professionals can tell a difference in the demeanor of their patients after visiting with a therapy dog. She said the children at UMC Children’s Hospital are especially happy and thrilled to see Prince Caspian, but they keep their visits to just a few minutes with each child, in order to visit as many as they can within an hour. Here in Tahoka, Holland says she will spend a little more time with residents and patients, as they have made friends that look forward to the visits each week.

“The nurses at Lynn County Hospital were excited after we visited one particular patient, because she had not been talking or responding to the staff at all, but when she saw Caspian she petted him and reacted with

him. I didn’t think anything about it, because I thought that was a normal response, but the nurses said that this was the only time she reacted to anyone in the room,” says Holland.

One Tahoka woman, whose mother was in the hospital here for the last few weeks of her life, said that the visits from Prince Caspian and Holland were the highlights of her week.

“For the 40 days that my mother was hospitalized at Lynn County Hospital District one of the most delightful things she experienced was the Wednesday visits of Carla Holland and her beloved Caspian,” says Retha Pittman of her mother, Thelma Morton. “My mother would begin the very next day asking how long it was until Wednesday. Even as she neared the end of her life she ‘saw’ Caspian sometimes in the night and had a bit of a conversation with him as she was dreaming. The last time she saw him I grabbed the camera – as I always did – and captured her face as she realized he was on her bed. She had lost all her vision by this time. Carla was dressed in



A little love each way ... Thelma Morton looked forward each week to her visit from Prince Caspian, who would share a little love and bring happiness to her in her hospital bed at Lynn County Hospital. After Mrs. Morton passed, her daughter said that the therapy dog’s weekly visits were one of the most delightful experiences her mother had in the last weeks of her life.

a Halloween tee shirt and Caspian had a fabric display around his neck that were the Halloween colors,” Pittman recalls. Pittman’s mother passed

away Tuesday evening of the next week. Caspian was due to visit the next day dressed as a cowboy. “My mother would have

been unable to see him due to the decline of her condition. I will never forget what Carla and Caspian gave to her the final

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Come see me ... Ruth Pelton, a resident at Lynnwood Independent & Assisted Living Center, takes a moment to pet Caspian, a therapy dog that owner Carla Holland brings to visit each week.

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weeks of her life. It is irreplaceable and the memories are so tender and vivid to me," added Pittman.

Holland became involved in the dog therapy program after taking her Sheltie to a "Canine Good Citizenship" class at a pet store in Oklahoma, where she and husband Stace Holland lived at the time. They now live in Tahoka, where Stace Holland is the Hospital Administrator at Lynn County Hospital District.

"I love dogs. Really, I just took Caspian to a good citizenship class to make him a better dog, and he did very well. But I met other people in that class who spoke about the dog therapy program, and that is when I became interested in it," says Holland. "Therapy dogs are not required to have any special training, not even the good citizenship training. Any dog that is friendly, calm and good natured may be a therapy dog if they pass the test," she explains.

After moving to Tahoka, Holland submitted an application for Prince Caspian to become a therapy dog, and she said the test included observation of how she and Caspian performed in three different settings. In her first observation, she took Caspian to Carillon retirement facilities in Lubbock, and then two more observations were at UMC.

"The testers observed how Caspian responded with people, and they gave us some helpful pointers, and we passed the test," she said. During the past year, Holland says that she and Caspian made 96 visits to locations as a therapy dog – and that number doesn't come close

to the number of people with whom they have visited.

It's a voluntary ministry that Holland enjoys, but it does require a good portion of her time to make the visits. She is a member of a Lubbock chapter of Therapy Dogs Inc., where she meets with other dog owners and participates in some events such as Pet Palooza and Critter Fest at the Science Spectrum. She is also currently taking Caspian to agility training – just for fun, she says with a laugh.

Therapy dogs generally do not have any special training and are not trained to perform specific tasks for a disabled individual like a service dog. Since therapy dogs are not covered under any specific federal laws, permission must be given from each place that a therapy dog is to be taken. Many places are welcoming to therapy dogs if the dog is trained and obedient, does not pose a threat to others, can benefit those present at the facility, and does not adversely affect the facility's operations.

For the past year, the patients at UMC and Lynn County Hospital and residents at Lynnwood and Slaton Care Center have enjoyed the interaction with their canine friend as a unique treat, and something different to look forward to. Holland hopes to continue bringing Caspian to visit these facilities, and is also considering the possibility of getting involved in a reading program for school children.

The main objective of the reading program is to provide a relaxed and "dog-friendly" atmosphere, which allows students to practice the skill of reading. "Many of the children

The origin of therapy dogs from Wikipedia...

A therapy dog is a dog trained to provide affection and comfort to people in hospitals, retirement homes, nursing homes, schools, hospices, disaster areas, and to people with learning difficulties.

During World War II, under combat operations against Japanese forces on the island of New Guinea, Corporal William Wynne came into possession of a young adult Yorkshire Terrier abandoned on the battlefield. He named the female dog Smoky.

Smoky accompanied Wynne on numerous combat missions, provided comfort and entertainment for troops, and even assisted the Signal Corps in running a telegraph cable through an underground pipe, completing in minutes what might have been a dangerous, three-day construction job which would have exposed men and equipment to enemy bombers.

Smoky's service as a therapy dog began when Corporal Wynne was hospitalized for a jungle disease. As Wynne recovered, Wynne's Army pals brought Smoky to the hospital for a visit and to cheer the soldier up. Smoky immediately became a hit with the other wounded soldiers. Dr. Charles Mayo, of the famed Mayo Clinic, was the commanding officer who allowed Smoky to go on rounds and also permitted her to sleep with Wynne in his hospital bed for five nights. Smoky's work as a therapy dog continued for 12 years, during and after World War II.

The establishment of a systematic approach to the use of therapy dogs is attributed to Elaine Smith, an American who worked as a registered nurse for a time in England. Smith noticed how well patients responded to visits by a certain chaplain and his canine companion, a Golden Retriever. Upon returning to the United States in 1976, Smith started a program for training dogs to visit institutions. Over the years other health care professionals have noticed the therapeutic effect of animal companionship, such as relieving stress, lowering blood pressure, and raising spirits, and the demand for therapy dogs continues to grow. In recent years, therapy dogs have been enlisted to help children overcome speech and emotional disorders.

The residents of the Assisted Living communities look forward to the arrival of the Therapy Dogs and to many, the visits are the highlight of their week. Often, the elderly are reminded of dogs that they've had in their past and the joyful memories are quite evident to everyone involved. As years go by, the elderly often experience feelings of loneliness and insecurity especially because they are not involved in as many activities as they were in the past. Therapy Dogs help to involve the elderly to live a happy, productive life by filling a need that is not being addressed in any other way. Residents often look forward to the dog's visit and they cherish the moments they spend together.

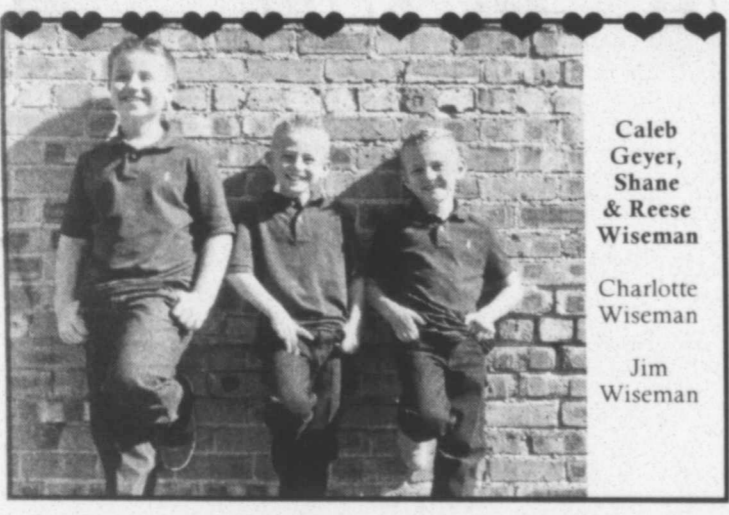
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chosen for this program have difficulties reading and as a result have developed self-esteem issues. They are often self-conscious when reading aloud in front of other classmates. By sitting down next to a dog and reading to the dog, all threats of being judged are put aside. The child relaxes, pats the attentive dog, and focuses on the reading. Reading improves because the child is practicing the skill of reading, building self-esteem, and associating reading with something pleasant," according

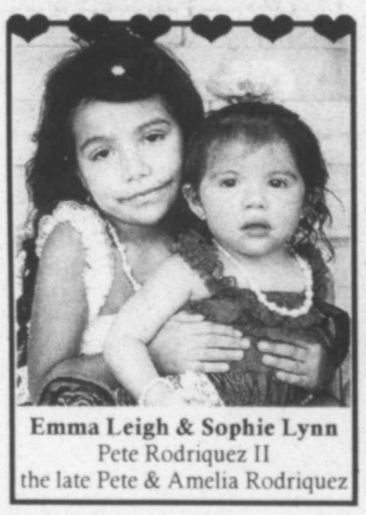
to program advocates.

"I like the idea of a child reading to a dog, and I think it is something that Caspian would enjoy," says Holland. "So I may look into it, and see if this is a program that we want to become involved in."

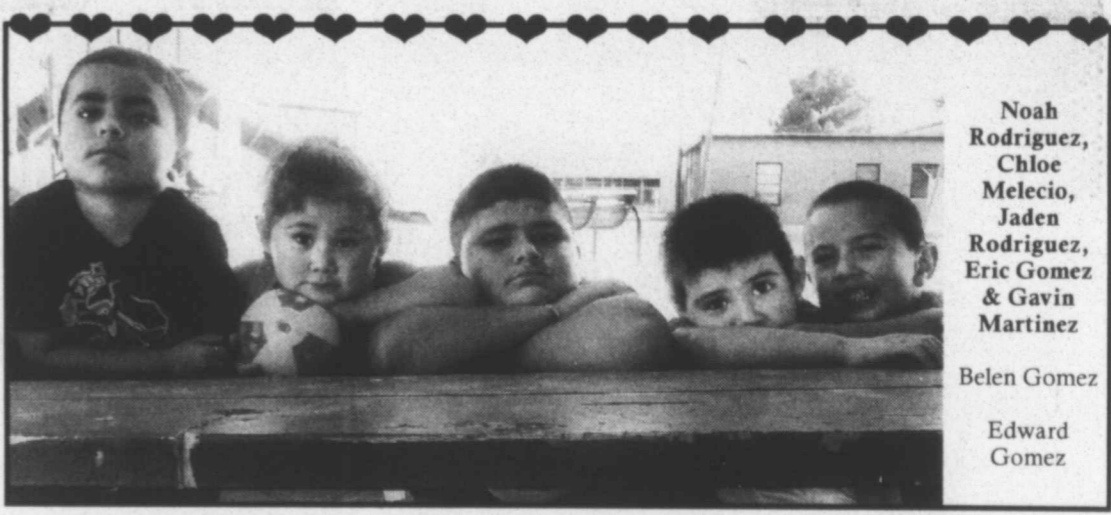
In the meantime, Prince Caspian already has a weekly schedule that differs from most canines in the county, an owner who is willing to share, and a circle of friends that includes people of all ages and walks of life. Life is good.



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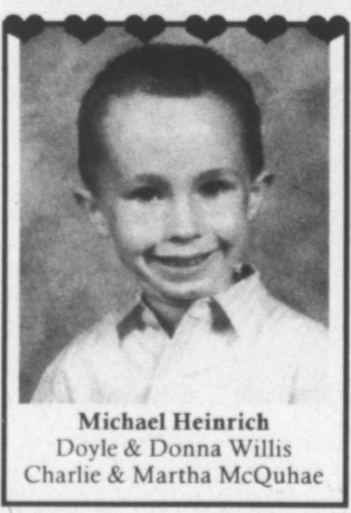
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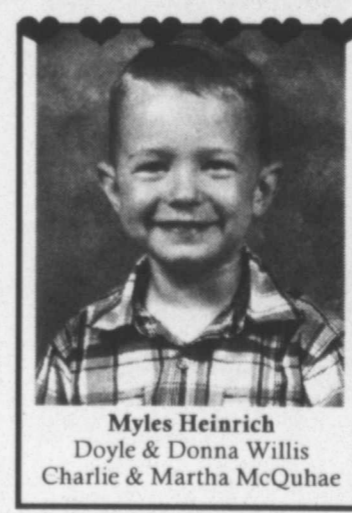
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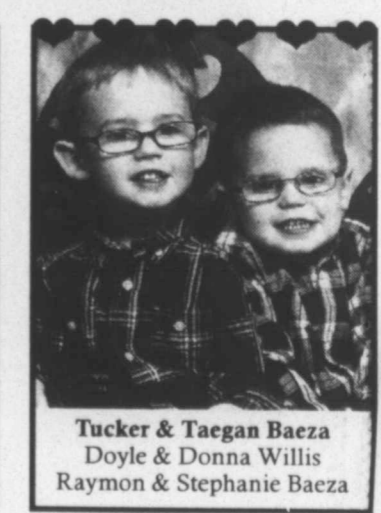
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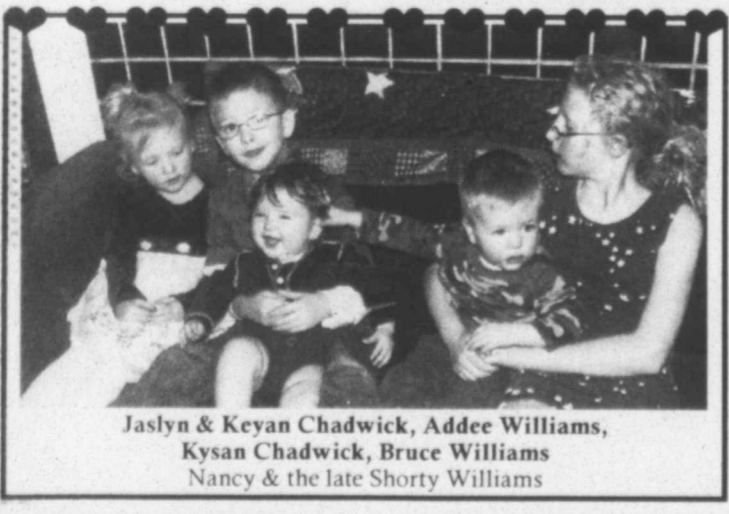
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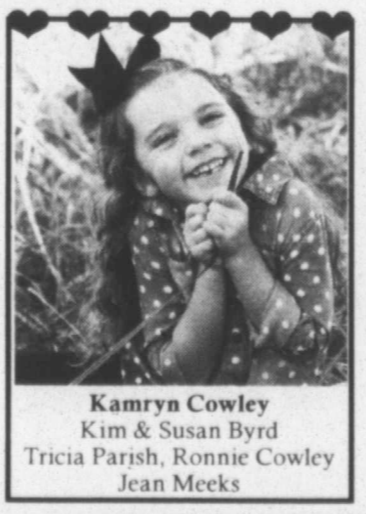
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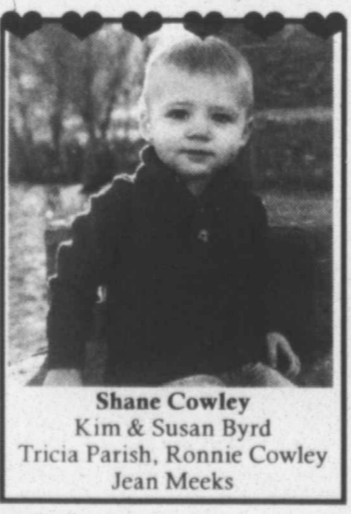
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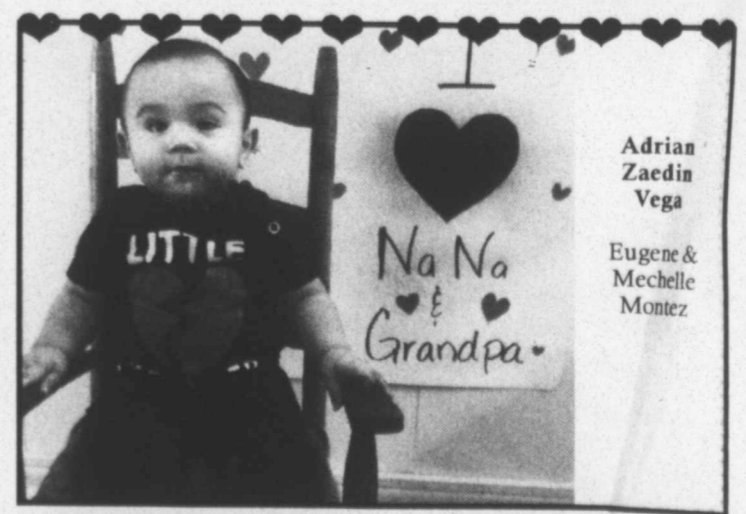
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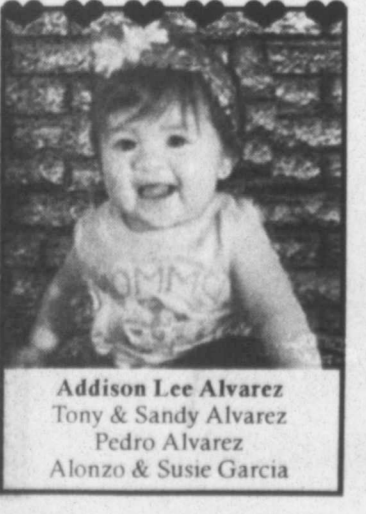
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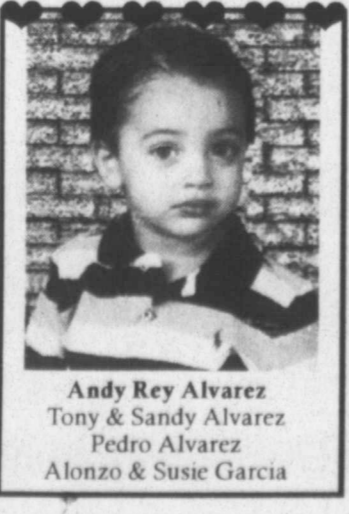
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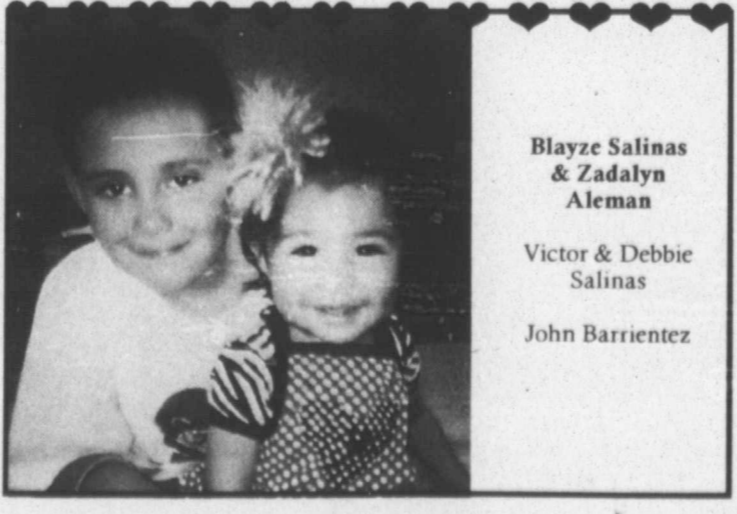
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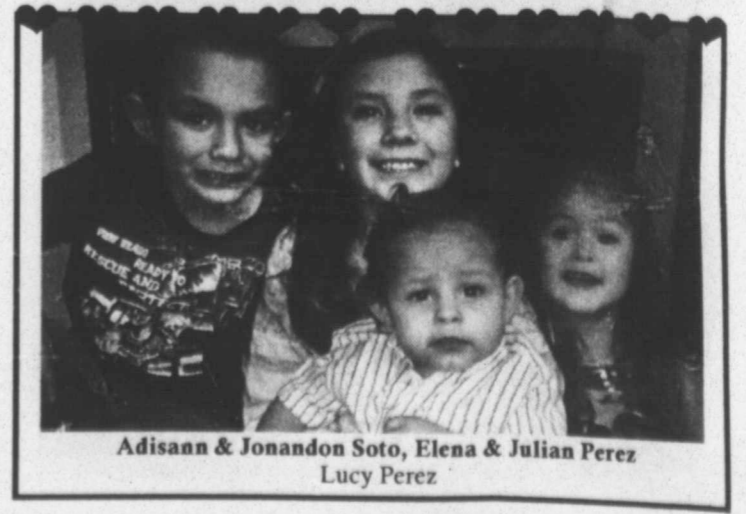
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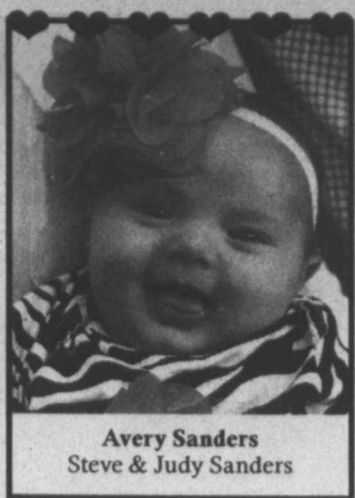
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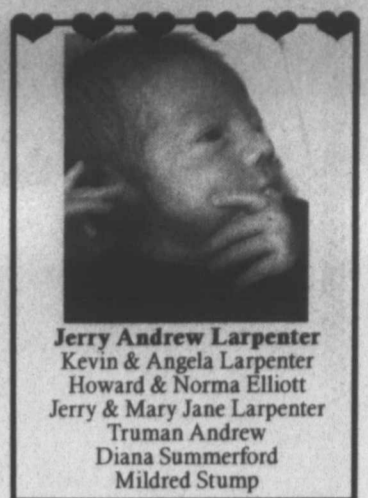


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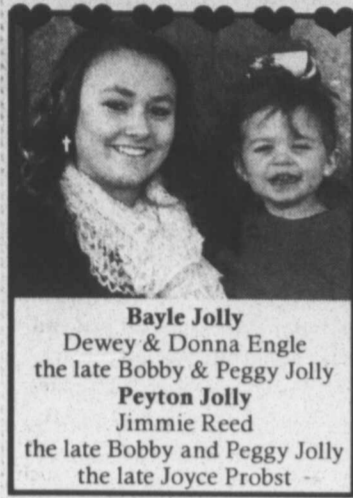


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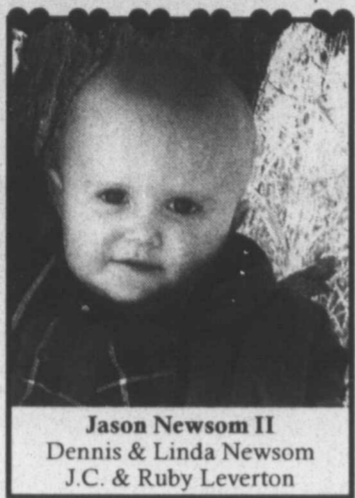
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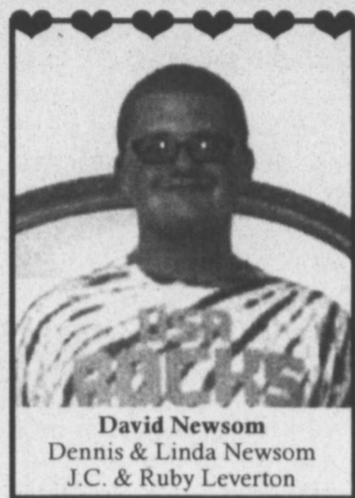
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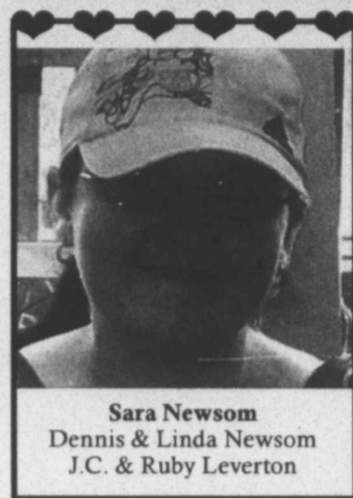
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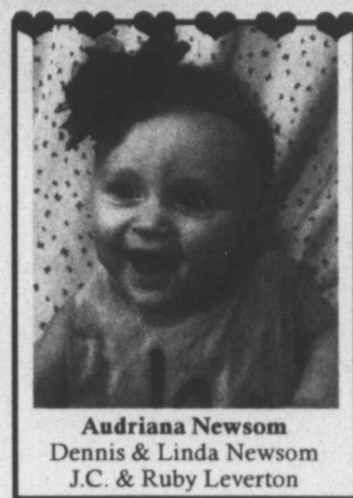
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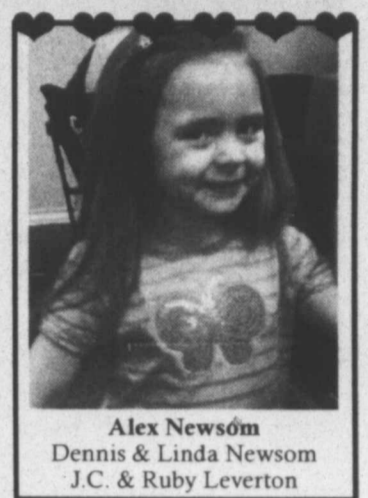
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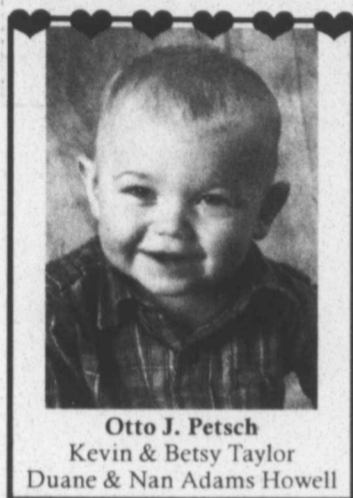
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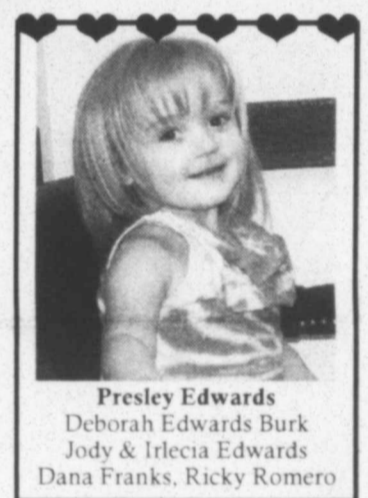
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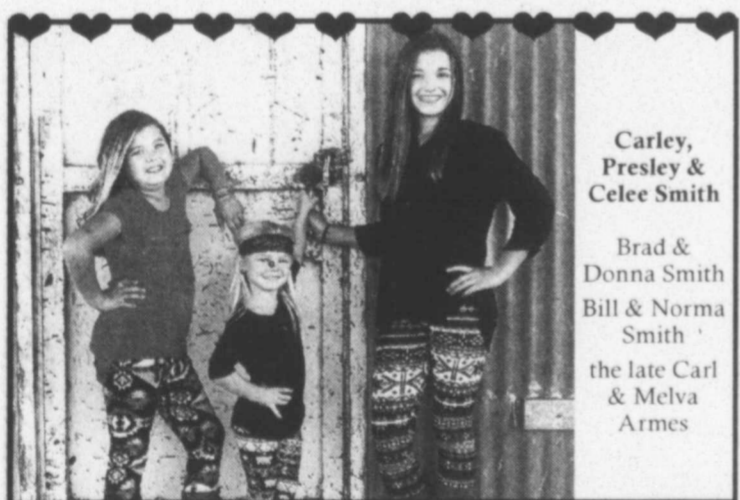


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Jody & Irelcia Edwards
Dana Franks, Ricky Romero



Presley Edwards
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Cute valentines make Grandparents proud



Carley, Presley & Celee Smith

Brad & Donna Smith
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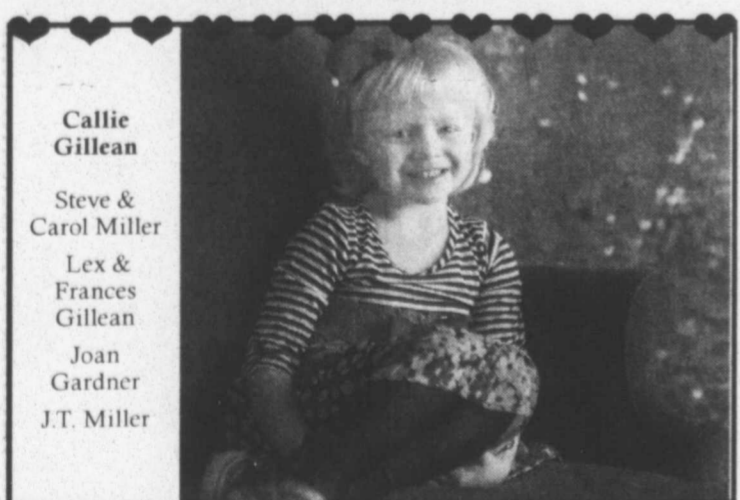
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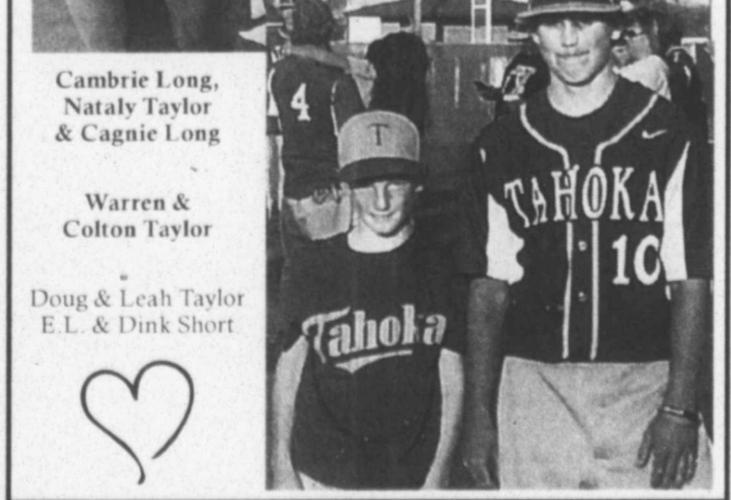
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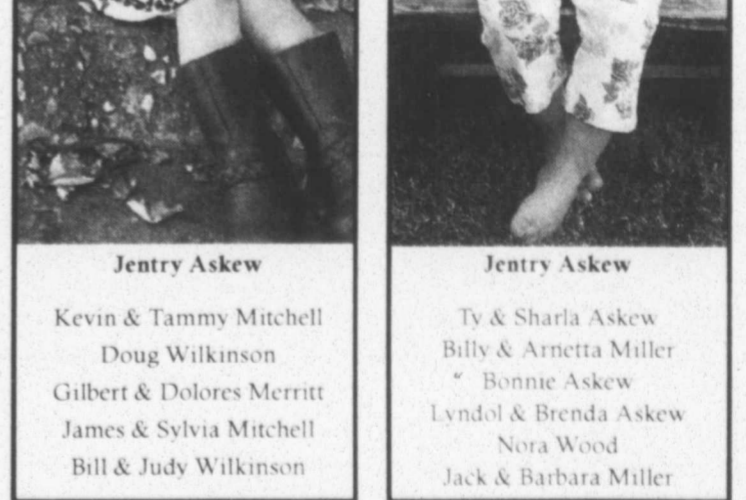
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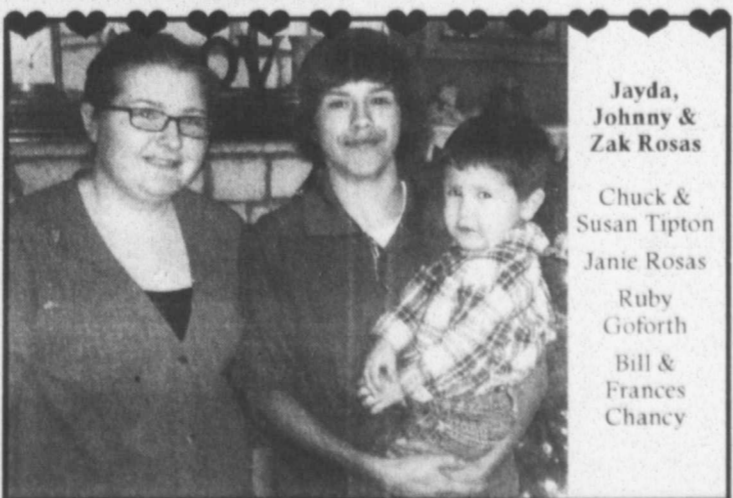


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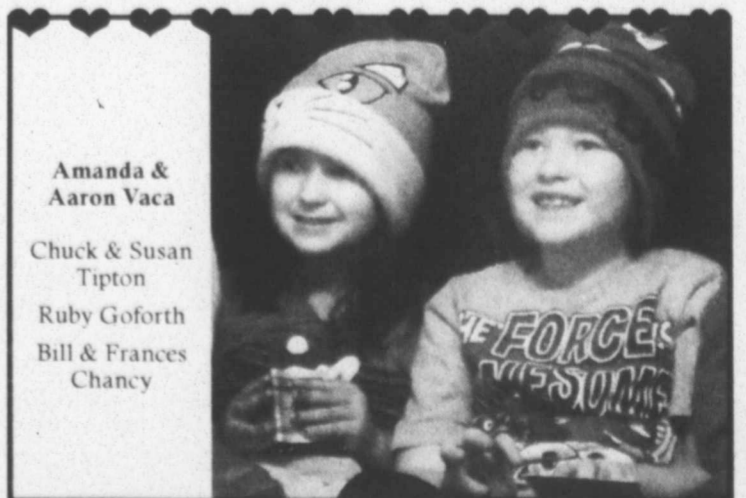
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Tristen Tipton
Chuck & Susan Tipton
Ruby Goforth
Bill & Frances Chancy





Celebration
... Dancers performed during special services commemorating the 89th anniversary of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in Tahoka, held Sunday, Feb. 9.

Pleasant Grove Baptist Church celebrates 89th anniversary

Members of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church celebrated the church's 89th anniversary in special services held Sunday, Feb. 9, 2014 with over 100 people in attendance including members and guests. The church traces its history to 1925, according to Pastor Gloria Moore.

"We had a wonderful anniversary service, with special singing and dancers performing at the service," said Pastor Moore. Pleasant Grove Choir presented two selections in the program, and an "All Guest Church Choir" also had two specials.

Pastor R. Pegues of Slaton was guest speaker for the service, and other guest pastors and churches in attendance included Pastor Ross and church from Littlefield, Pastor People and church from Slaton, Pastor Hunter and church from Lamesa, and Pastor Gentry and church from Brownfield.

great praise from the judges for thinking outside the box with our triangle design. One judge had been doing this for many years and this was the first triangle he had ever seen for this type of competition. Also the stands were all a-buzz over our extremely quick and uniquely designed robot," she added.

The teacher explained that the competition is based on working with another team/robot to score the most points.

"The alliances are picked randomly prior to competition and The Mechanical Masters were able to win one of our matches which was a great accomplishment for our first year. We ended up placing 15th overall. The students are already excited to see what the task will be next year and can't wait to start redesigning and programming," she added.

New Home ISD 'rookie' team competes in robotics event

A New Home ISD robotics team called "The Mechanical Masters" competed on Jan. 18 at Frenship High School in an FTC (FIRST Tech Challenge) robotics competition, placing 15th and earning accolades from the judges for "thinking outside the box."

"We were the only rookie school in attendance," said New Home science teacher Sabrina Multer.

The students began building their robot in September, thanks to a grant from the Lubbock Area Foundation and The Texas Workforce Commission. During the fall they were able to design a triangular robot that was quick and could fit into tight spaces easily.

"The team ran into some design problems with our claw, and in the end decided that being a quick bulldozer was a bet-

ter option," explained Multer. "They learned many lessons in how engineers build, test and redesign their projects to get the best results. Right before Christmas they began learning how to program with RobotC, thanks to several mentors who gave up their spare time to teach our students what they needed to know.

"On competition day the Mechanical Masters received



Mechanical Masters ... New Home ISD students David Gomez, Michael Torres, Joarit Mireles, Isabel Gomez, Dimitri Correa, David Ussery, Lea Gustafson, and Patrick Overman comprise "The Mechanical Masters" robotics team, competing in an FTC robotics competition. The group placed 15th overall. Not pictured is Kaylan Lehman.



He's smaller than me... The Duncan family, Thomis, Dylin, Parkir and Averi built a pint-size snowman after the recent snowfall in Tahoka. They are the children of Michael and Mandi Duncan.

Commissioners to seek emergency grant funds for electrical repairs to county courthouse

Lynn County Commissioners met in regular session Monday morning, voting to approve an application to request funds for the Round VIII Emergency Grant for electrical repairs in the courthouse, through the Texas Historical Commission Courthouse Preservation Fund. Repairing the electrical wiring in the courthouse is part of the renovation that would be included in the total restoration project for which the county is still on the waiting list, since the state legislature slashed state funds; however, commissioners are applying for emergency grant funds to begin renovating the electrical wiring, due to electrical needs of county offices.

In other business, commissioners were given worksheets to help in formulating a plan for the County Energy Transportation Reinvestment Zone, and asked to have plans ready

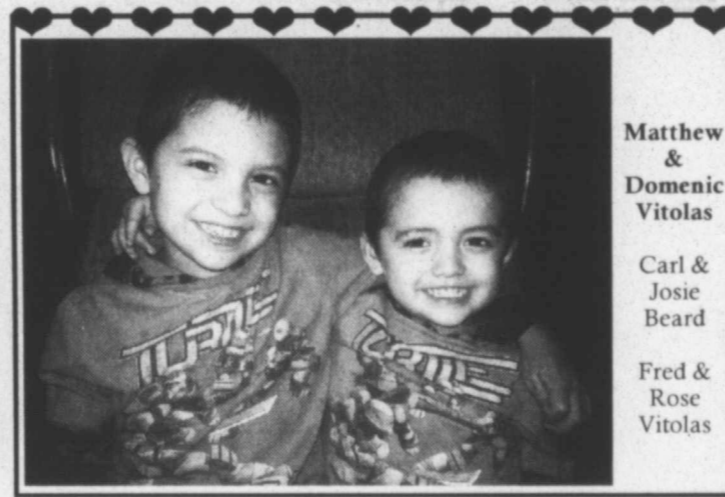
by Feb. 24. A fire contract with O'Donnell Volunteer Fire Dept. was renewed without any changes, and a budget amendment for boiler repair and maintenance was approved in the amount of \$12,450.

County Judge Mike Braddock informed commissioners of a training session provided by Local Technical Assistance Program offered to precinct workers regarding motorgraders and machinery. Casi Clairch, TAC representative for Property Appraisals, met with the court to give an explanation as to how appraisals were made, and told commissioners they needed to determine if they wanted the courthouse appraised by historical values or replacement values.

Monthly bills were approved. Judge Braddock noted that the 2011-2012 and 2012-2013 audits would be presented at the Feb. 24 meeting.



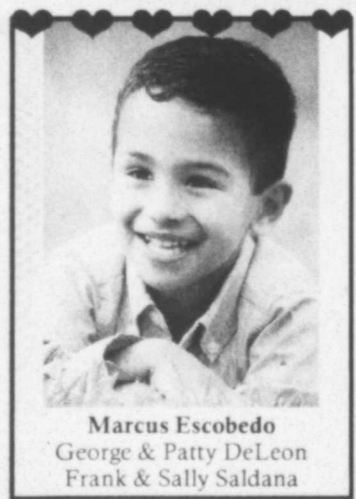
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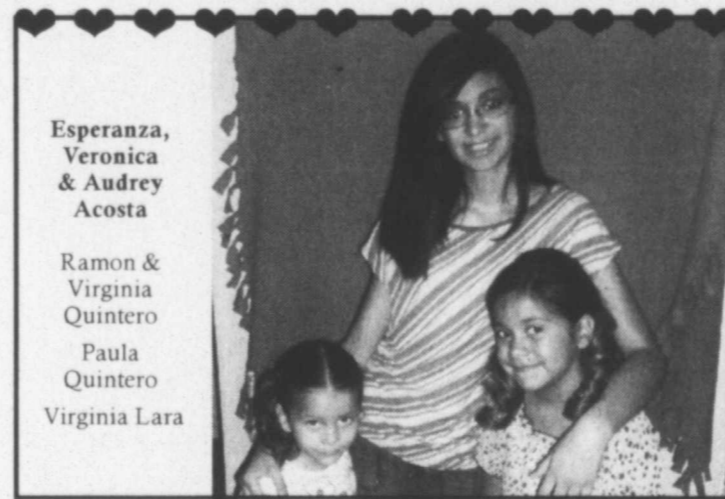
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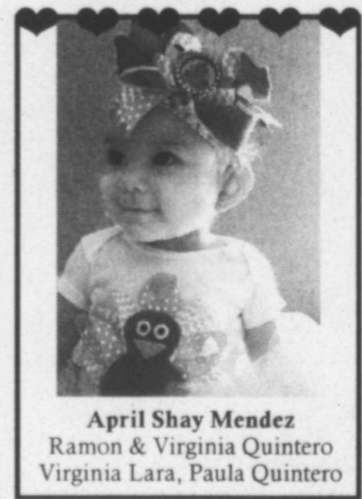
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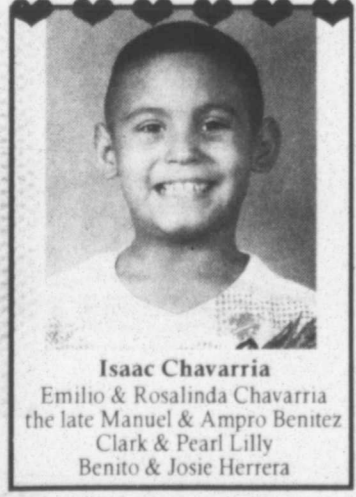
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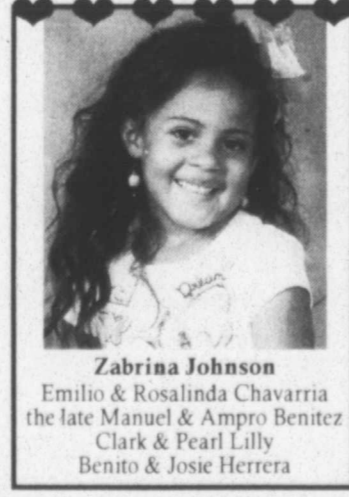
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Danny & Estella Moore
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the late Pedro Sr. & Amelia Rodriguez



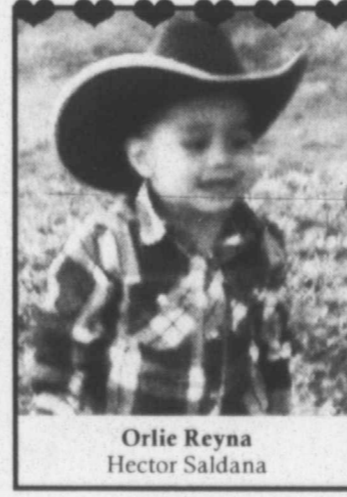
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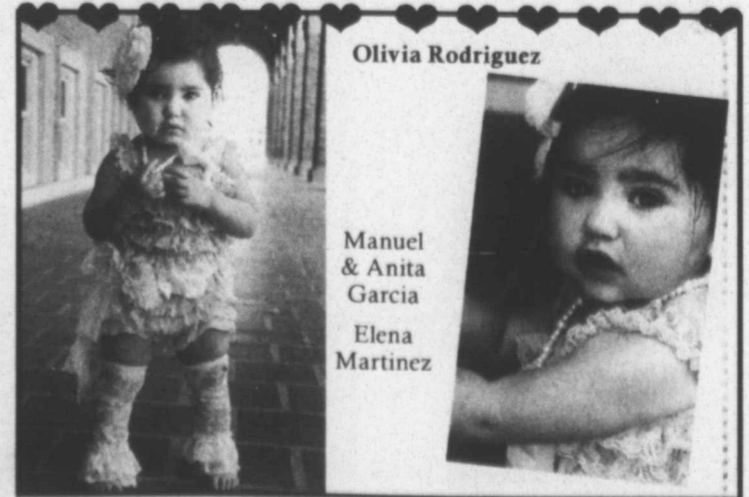
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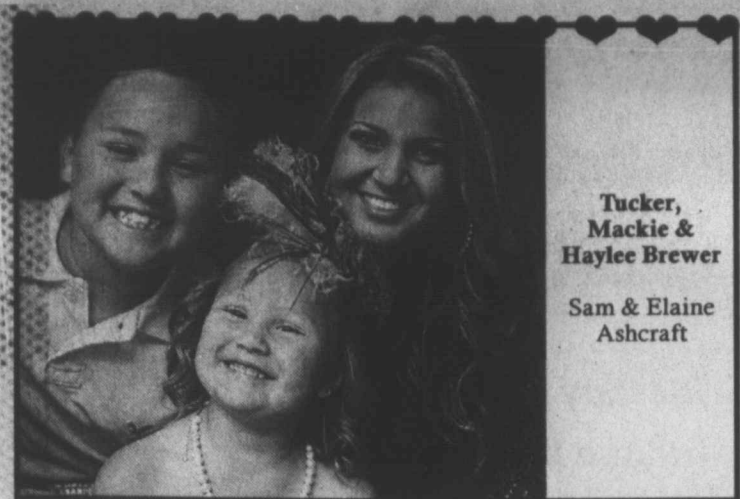
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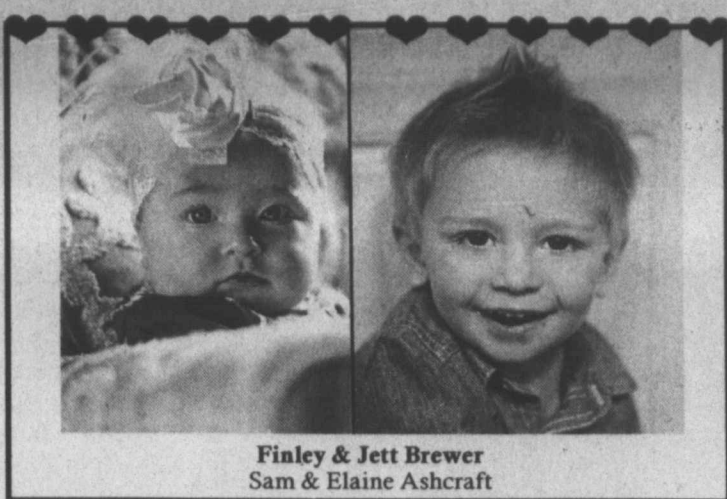
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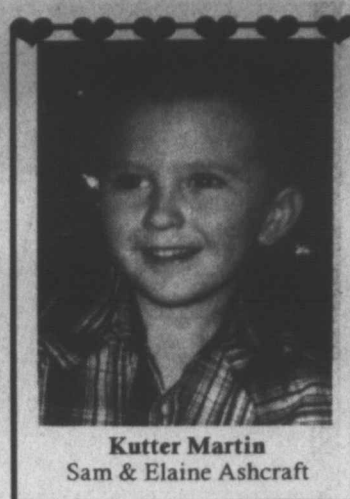
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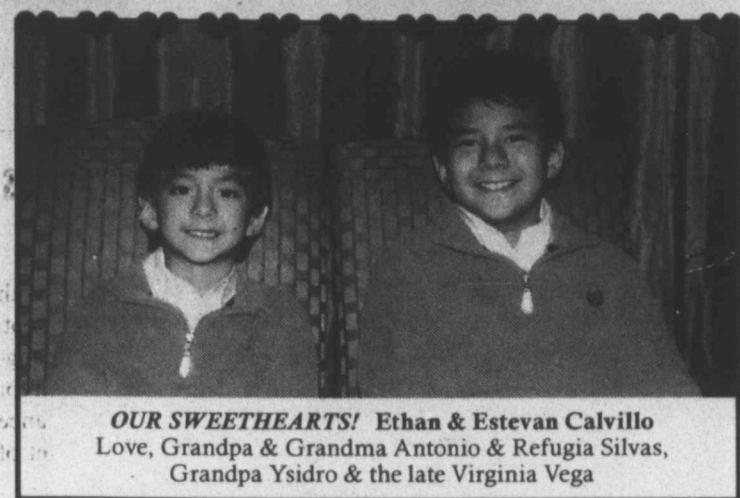
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Grandpa Ysidro & the late Virginia Vega



Blade Paris
Danny & Amy Preston
Jody McNeil



Halle, Bryson
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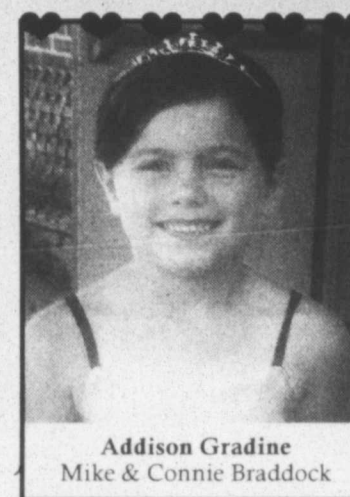
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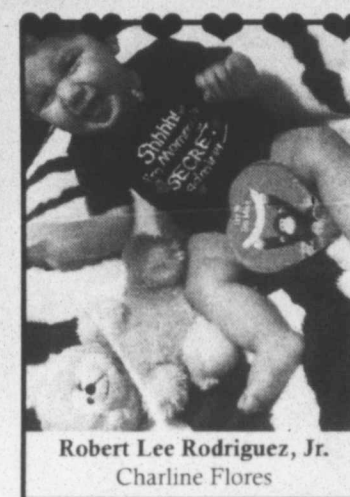
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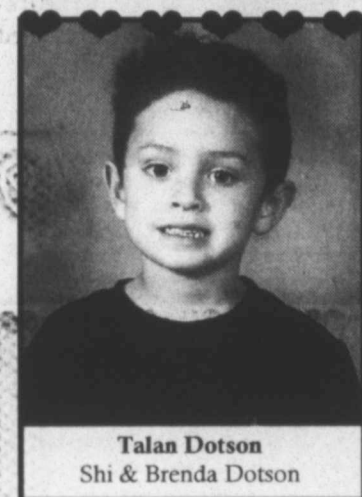
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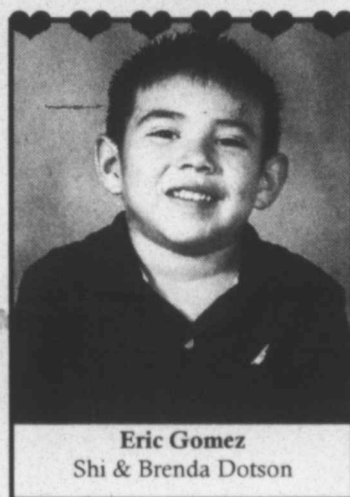
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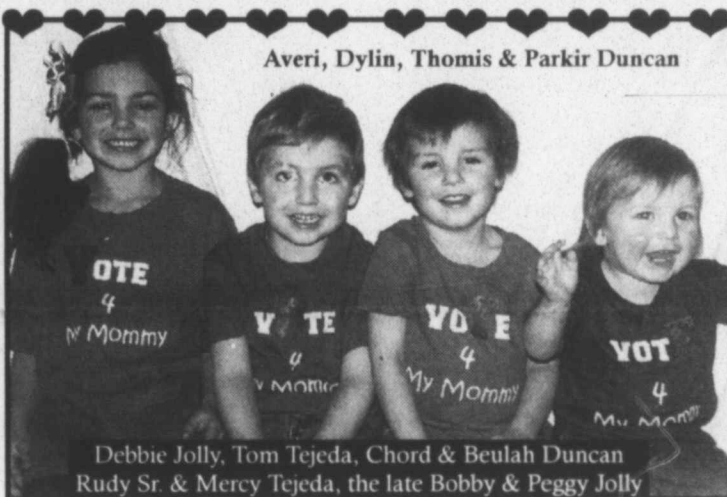
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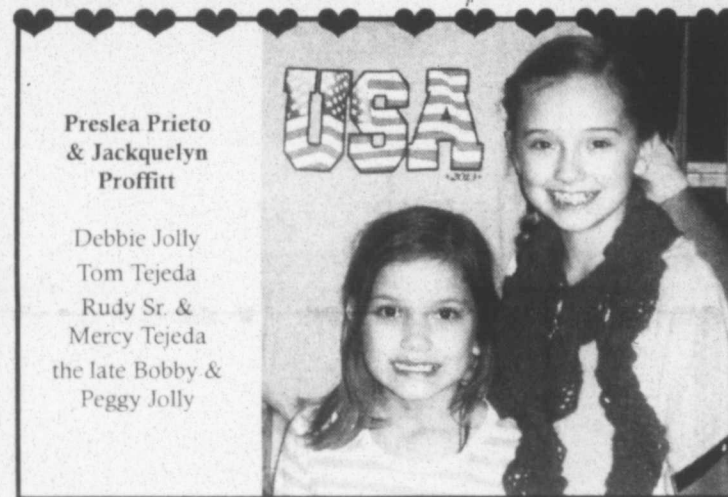


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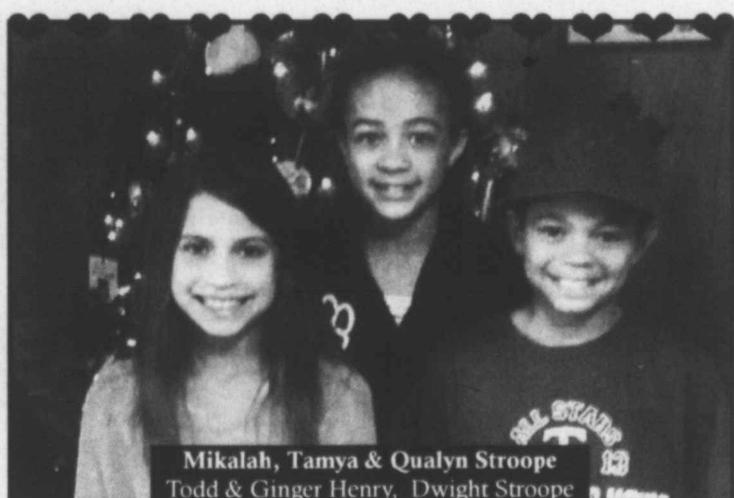
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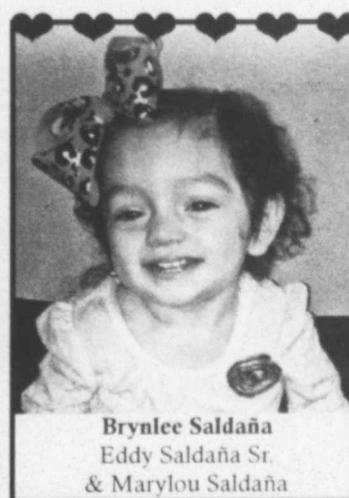
Grandparents brag on their cute valentines!



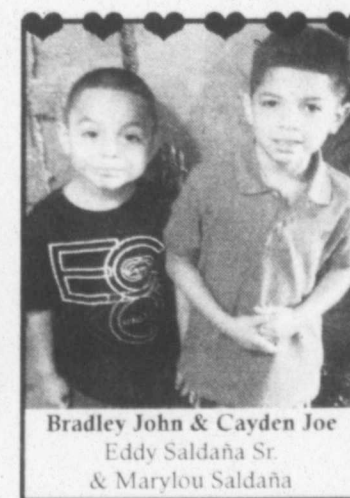
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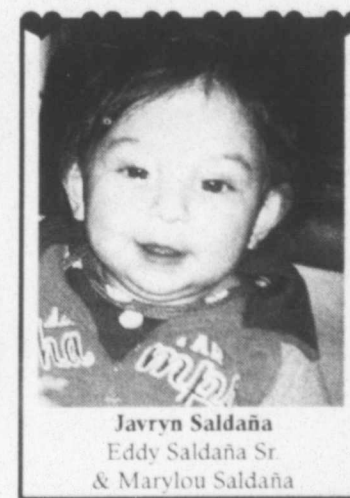
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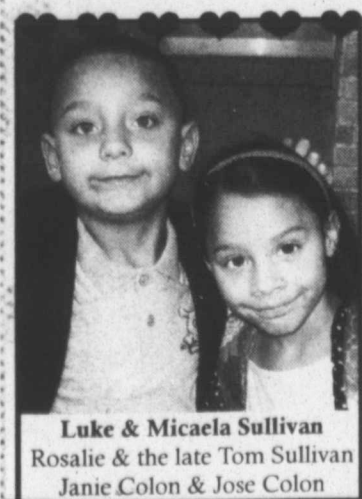
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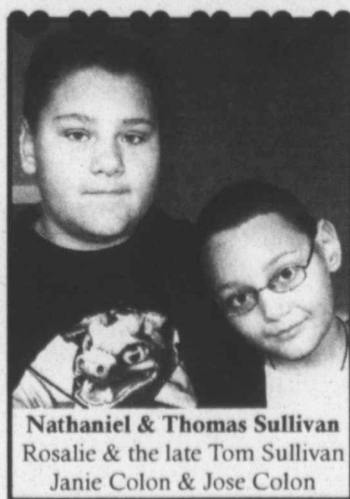
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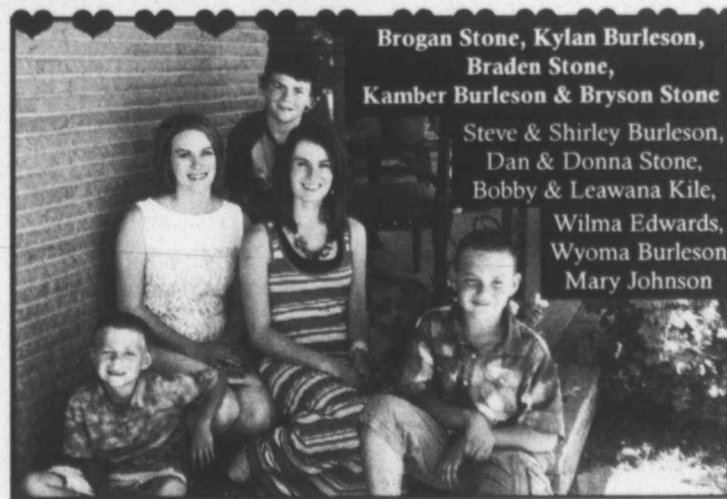
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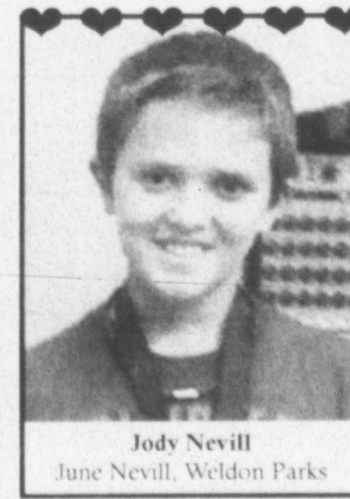
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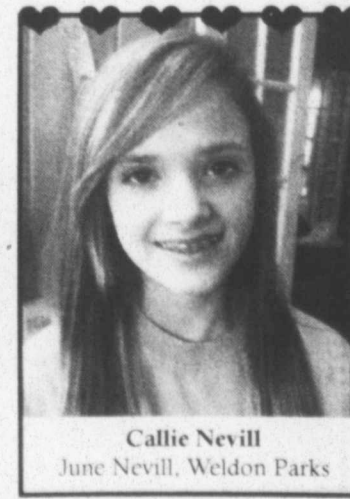
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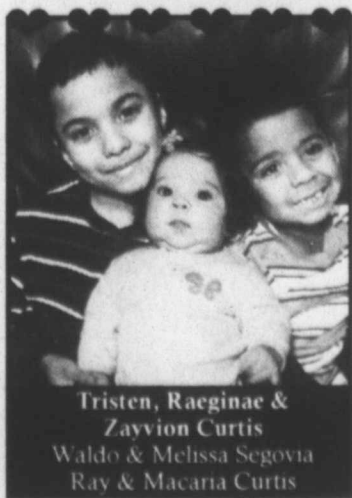
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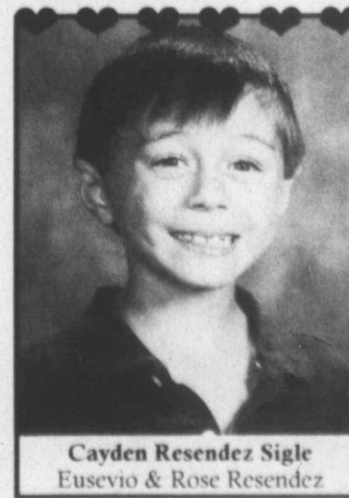
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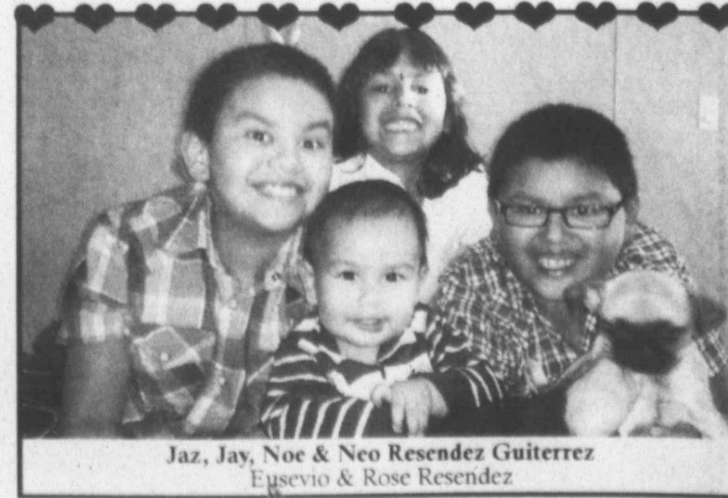
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Eusevio & Rose Resendez



Jaz, Jay, Noe & Neo Resendez Guitierrez
Eusevio & Rose Resendez

City-County Library to offer digital eBooks for loan

The City-County Library in Tahoka is following a nationwide library trend and will soon be expanding its services, offering eBooks and digital audiobooks for loan through the library's website.

Users may browse the website, borrow titles with a valid library card, and enjoy on all major computers and devices, including iPhone®, iPad®, Nook®, Android™ phones and tablets, and Kindle®. eBooks and digital audiobooks can be read or heard immediately on any device with an internet browser and all titles will automatically expire at the end of the lending period. There are no late fees!

"We are joining with the West Texas Digital Consortium, a group of 15 libraries in our area, and OverDrive, Inc., a leading distributor of digital

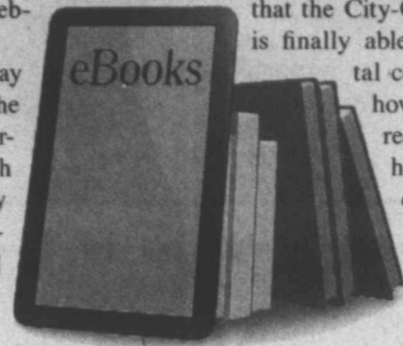
media, to provide this up-and-coming mode of lending," said Claudia Guin, library director. "Our patrons have been asking for this service for the past few years, and I'm delighted that the City-County Library is finally able to offer digital content to them, however, I'm also requesting a little help. In order to determine how to most wisely spend our limited digital budget, we would appreciate it if interested citizens would complete a short survey. They

may drop by the library and fill out the survey or access a downloadable version from the library's website at <http://wtls.tsl.state.tx.us/tahoka>.

According to Guin, it will take a few weeks to get the new

program launched, but she expects that patrons will be able to take advantage of the new digital content in March or April.

For more information on the program, please contact the library at 561-4050.



Tuesday game to determine if Tahoka Dogs in playoffs

The Tahoka Bulldogs boys basketball team was to host Plains Tuesday night, Feb. 11 in their final season game, and if the Dogs win they will have a third place spot for the playoffs in 1A Region 1 District 6, according to Coach B.C. Lee. The News went to press on Tuesday evening before the game, so no playoff information was available for this issue.

The Dogs (4-5) beat Sundown 56-48 on Friday, but took a couple of losses in the two previous games, bowing 69-54 to Forsan (7-2) and 90-59 to Smyer, who leads the district at 8-1.

Lead scorers for the Bulldogs in the Forsan game were Carlos Moralez with 12 points, Preston Hammonds with 11 points, and Ke'Shawn Hood and Colton Taylor with 9 points.

In the Smyer game, top scorers were Ke'Shawn Hood with 16 points, Preston Hammonds with 11, and Colton Taylor with 10 points.

Tahoka beat Seagraves 89-70 on Jan. 28, with three players scoring in double figures. Preston Hammonds had 24 points, and close behind were Carlos Moralez and Ke'Shawn Hood with 22 points each.



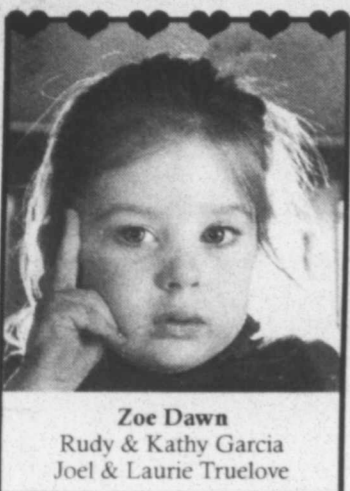
Eula is Champion Speller ... Eula Tomamao (seated right) was Champion Speller in the 2014 Tahoka Elementary Spelling Bee (Gardner building), held Tuesday, Feb. 11 in the THS auditorium. Runnerup was Nathaniel Sullivan (seated left). Others placing were, in back from left, Kaleb Locke, Hope Quintero, Madison Rose and Estevan Calvillo. Eula will advance to the Regional Spelling Bee that will be held at the Lubbock Civic-Center, Saturday, March 1.



Spelling Bee ... Pictured here are winners in the Tahoka Elementary Spelling Bee (Tubb building): seated in front, Kayleigh Locke and Adiryn Herevia, and standing in back, Hayden Powell, Averi Duncan, Isaac DeLeon and Micaela Sullivan. The Spelling Bee was held Feb. 11.

You are 23 Times more likely to crash when you text while driving.

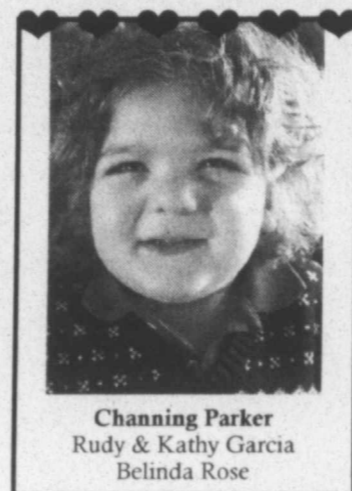
Park the phone when you drive.



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Joel & Laurie Truelove



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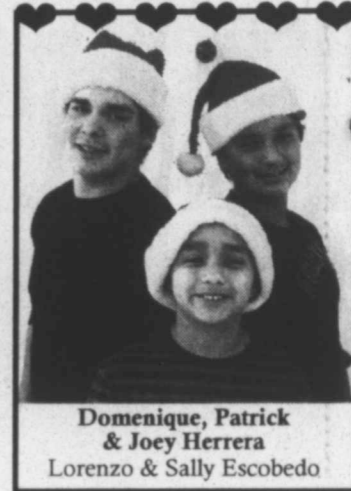
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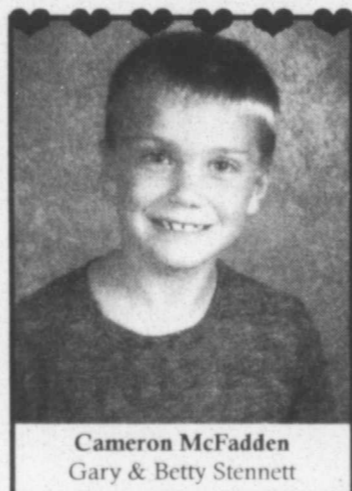
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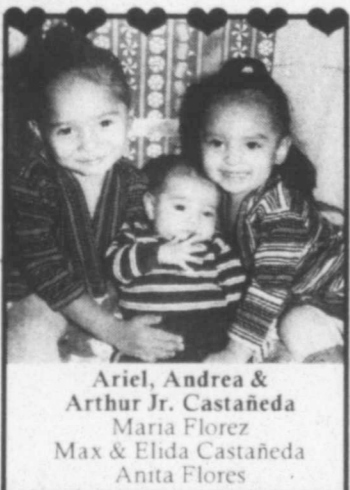


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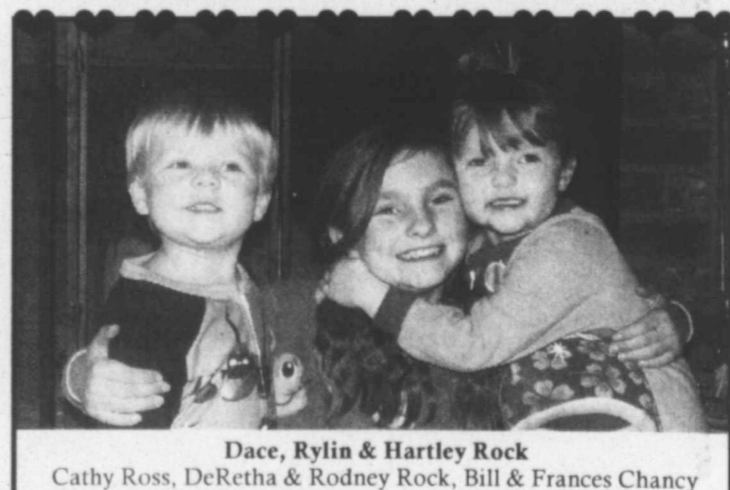


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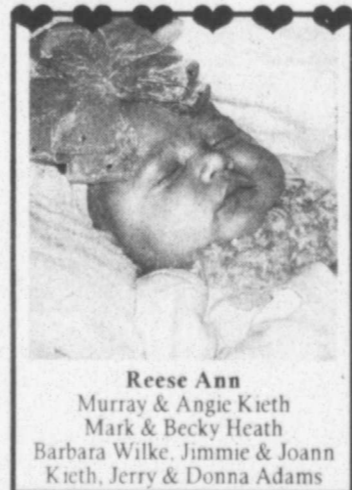
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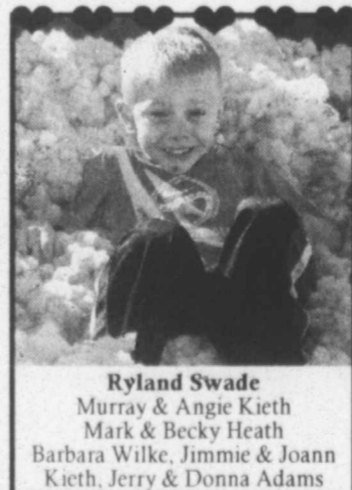
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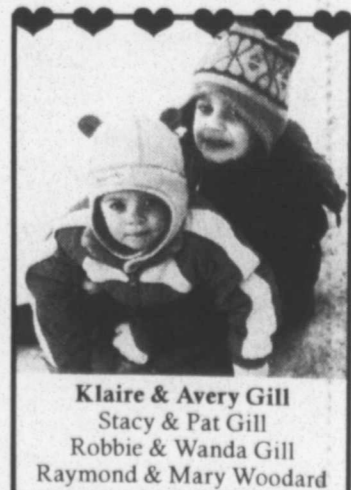
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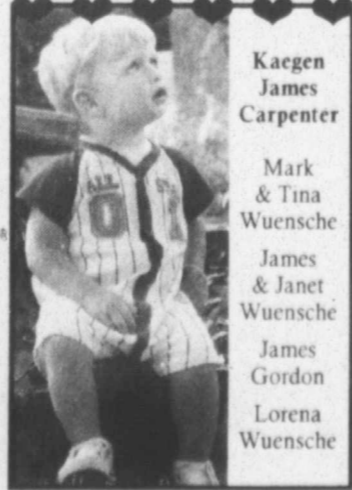
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Boy, 12, injured when hit by van

A 12-year-old Tahoka boy suffered an apparent rib cage injury when struck by a van on All-sup's parking lot last Thursday evening.

The boy was proceeding on foot across the lot when he was struck by a 1994 Plymouth van driven by Guadalupe Quintero, 58, of Tahoka. On the next day, the boy's mother took him to Lynn County Hospital emergency room for treatment.

Kristopher Harmon of Tahoka advised police that someone had made two unauthorized charges to his credit card, totaling \$887.76, on orders for computer items from Best Buy. The card and the two transactions

were cancelled, and investigation is continuing.

Police arrested a Tahoka man on a warrant from Terry County on unspecified charges Sunday. Also on Sunday, another Tahoka man turned himself in on an outstanding Randall County warrant for burglary.

Lynn County jail was holding 38 persons, including 18 for Ector County and 4 for Andrews County early this week. Recent arrests including two men for possession of marijuana in a drug-free zone, with one of those men also charged with endangering a child/criminal negligence. Two other men were charged with assault, and one man was jailed on a grand jury indictment for unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon.

Fashion statement ...
This stylish snowlady was built by Remington, Marlee and Halle Stone, children of Davy and Kassadi Stone of Tahoka, after the Feb. 2 snowfall.



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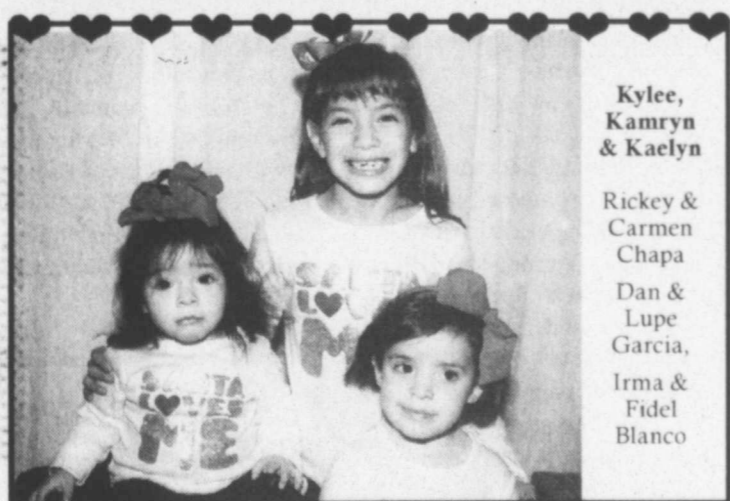


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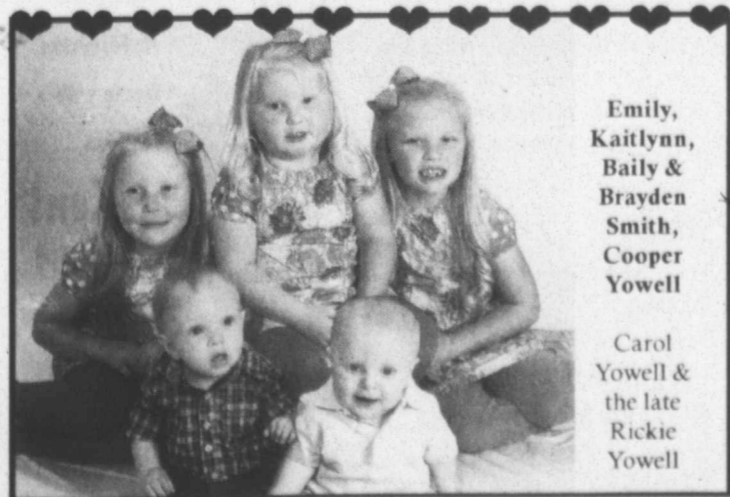
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AgTexas receives award for Tractor Drive

AgTexas Farm Credit Services recently received the 2013 Phelps-Martin Award for Service to the Non-Agriculture Community presented by the national Farm Credit Council. The award recognizes the Lubbock-based lender for its far-reaching fundraising effort, the 2013 AgTexas "Drive Hunger Out of Rural Texas" Tractor Drive.

The effort raised \$107,000 for the Texas Food Bank Network, and involved driving a tractor more than 1,000 miles to raise awareness of hunger and gather donations for local food banks. Hundreds of FFA and 4-H students across the AgTexas territory raised funds, and numerous corporate sponsors and other Farm Credit institutions joined the effort.

"As a result of this drive, the Texas Food Bank Network was able to generate 500,000 more meals for the food-insecure people of rural Texas," said Mitchell Harris, AgTexas chief executive officer. "It just shows how people working together can make a difference. The drive was a success because of the devotion of the AgTexas team, gracious sponsors and committed students."

The award was presented Feb. 4 at the annual meeting of The Farm Credit Council in Orlando, Fla. Accepting on behalf of AgTexas were Harris, Assistant Vice President of Marketing Kristy Tucker and Vice President of Lending Terry Jones. The Council is the national



Crazy hat day ... Tahoka Elementary students had the choice to break the dress code to raise funds for the Lynn County Animal shelter, with a different theme for each day of last week. Students pictured here for Crazy Hat day are Daniel Perez, Virginia Lopez, Ariel Castaneda, Darius Gutierrez, Brantz Thomas and Dylin Duncan.

trade association that represents the interests of the Farm Credit System, the oldest and largest source of financing for agriculture, agribusiness and rural property in the United States.

"Our staff and association have always been very community-minded," added AgTexas Board Chairman James Ray Schronk. "Our employees excel in their work for the association, and also take time to give to others. I am proud that AgTexas has been recognized with this award."

AgTexas' award was one of three Phelps-Martin community service awards presented by the Farm Credit Council. The other awards recognized service by a Farm Credit institution to the agriculture community and service by an individual Farm Credit stockholder, employee or director.

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Thursday: Waffles w/ sausage/cereal

Friday: No School

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Tuesday: Hot dog/Stromboli, potato rounds, veggie cup, fruit

Wednesday: Chicken nuggets, mac & cheese/meatball sub/ salad, green beans, apple, crispy cereal treat

Thursday: Burger/ beef & bean burrito, corn, carrots, sliced peaches

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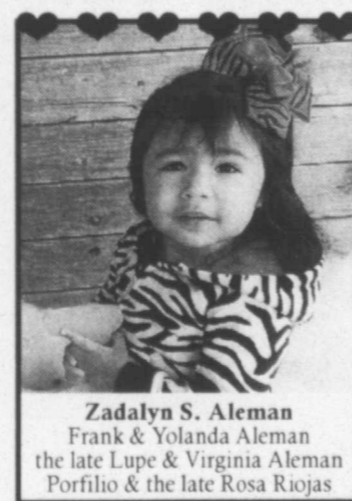
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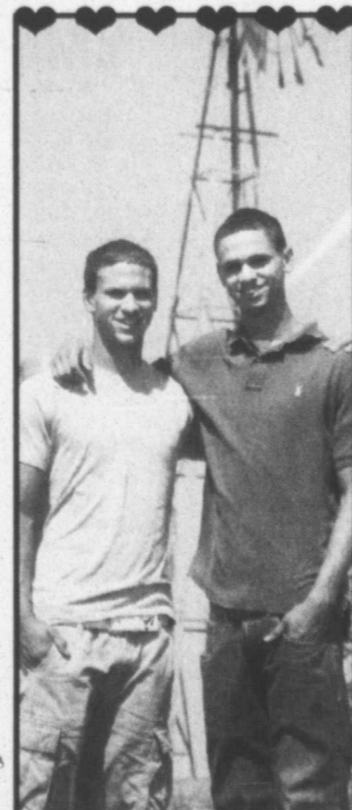
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"No Body to Murder"... The Tahoka Rotary Club Scholarship Dinner Theatre, featuring the comedy "No Body to Murder," will be held this Saturday at the Center for Housing and Community Development. The cast includes, back row from left James Craig, Daniel Garvin, Miranda Stice, Byron Norwood, Claudia Flippin, Rebecca Dimak, John Darden, Jon Luna, Tim Pledger, Bill Schoemann, Scott Dimak, and Claudia Guin. Center from left, Gail Stark, Shea Askew, Janis Thomas, Amy Preston, Heather Tekell, Tiffanie Garvin and seated in front, Shannon Hammonds. The event starts at 6:30, and tickets are reportedly sold out.

Webinar addresses conservation easements

Texas Wildlife Association has teamed with Texas A&M AgriLife Extension to host a series of webinars covering a wide array of wildlife and land management topics. These FREE online webinars are held during the lunch hour (noon - 1 p.m., CST) so that anyone interested may tune in during the work day.

The next webinar, "Conservation Easements," will be held on Thursday, Feb. 20. Allison Elder, Vice President and General Counsel of the Texas Agricultural Land Trust, will present an introduction to Conservation Easements. The program will present the basics regarding conservation easements, and will review the process to create a conservation easement, the tax benefits related to conservation easements, and the pros and cons of conservation easements.

How to sign on: On the day of the webinar, simply point your browser to <https://texas-wildlife.webex.com> and click to join the Wildlife for Lunch webinar. (Please note: WebEx webinars are not supported on handheld devices such as iPads or iPhones.) Each web based seminar is fully interactive and allows you to engage the experts, make comments, and ask questions during the course of the presentation.



Crazy hair... Tahoka Elementary student Averil Duncan came to school all decked out for Crazy Hair day to help raise funds for the Lynn County Animal Shelter during the break the dress code week at school.



Howdy ... Tahoka Elementary student Jady Woodley dressed up for Western day to raise funds for the Lynn County Animal Shelter.

City officials to name committee to plan Centennial celebration

The City of Tahoka, officially incorporated on June 12, 1915, will celebrate its 100th birthday in June 2015, and city officials this week began making plans for a Centennial celebration to mark the occasion. Mayor John Baker asked Tahoka City Council members to recommend names for a centennial committee to be appointed to oversee the planning of the event, and to bring a list of names to the next council meeting in March.

In other business at Monday night's council meeting, council members approved a request from Municipal Judge Mandi Duncan to allow her to apply for grant funding from the Office of the Governor, Justice Division, to upgrade law enforcement software for the Tahoka Police Department. If awarded, the grant funds would be used to purchase software that would allow police officers to swipe drivers license cards on computers in their vehicles to access information on site,

"bodycams," or cameras on their uniforms, that would allow officers to record the scene when the officer is away from his patrol car, and to purchase three ipads for use by the sheriff, police department, and municipal court judge for communication and document sharing.

The council voted to amend the city's synthetic drug ordinance to include possession of such drugs, and adopted a written credit card policy for the city's policy manual. The council tabled action to appoint someone to fill a vacancy on the A.C.T. Board, suggesting that the A.C.T. Board submit their recommendation to the council for consideration.

Monthly bills were approved, and departmental reports presented. Mayor Baker led the meeting, with City Administrator Jerry Webster and councilmen Rudy Fuentes, Ronny Jolly, and Jeff Martin present. Council members Amy Preston and Ray Box were absent from the meeting.

Proposed rule revisions among items discussed:

HPWD Board meets with County Committees

Proposed revisions to the rules of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District (HPWD) were discussed during a Feb. 3 meeting of the district's County Advisory Committees in Lubbock.

More than 75 participants listened on as the five-member HPWD Board of Directors outlined proposed revisions to Rule 5, including an annual groundwater production rate (APR) of 18 inches of water (1.5 acre-feet per acre), several alternative methods of reporting groundwater use, and clarification of the definition of contiguous acres.

Each of the 16 counties within the HPWD service area has an active County Advisory Committee, which serves as a liaison between the district's Board of Directors and residents of their respective county. "The input of County Advisory Committee members and the public is critical as the Board considers revisions to the district's rules. This is just one of many meetings being held throughout the district in early 2014 to gain input from all interested parties," said Board President Lynn Tate of Amarillo.

A question and answer session on the proposed rule revisions encompassed most of the meeting. Among items discussed were different cropping scenarios under the proposed one irrigated crop, certification, water banking, protection of private property rights, and groundwater issues to be discussed during the 84th Texas Legislature.

Tate added that the County Advisory Committee members are the first group to review and offer comments on a proposed set of revised rules that the Board is working to complete by April 1. The district will conduct rulemaking hearings as required by Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code. The Board anticipates adopting rule revisions later this year to be effective Jan. 1, 2015.

"Nothing is set in stone at this time. The HPWD Board of Directors seek the advice, consent, and support of all stakeholders in the district as we work to develop a more flexible policy and set of rules that stakeholders can agree to. Once that is accomplished, we can

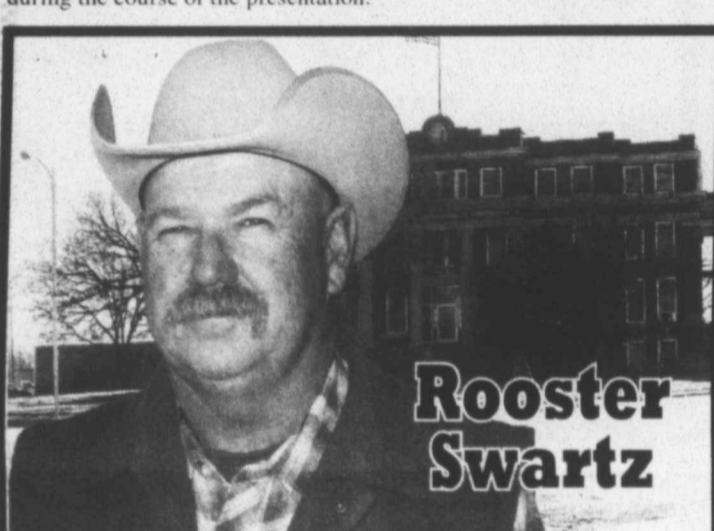
then return to the business of water conservation," Tate said. Several County Advisory Committee members agreed.

"I appreciate the district's Board of Directors working to achieve the best solution. The one crop certification lets a producer make their own choice—instead of building a bureaucracy to do it for you," said Kevin Riley of Springlake.

"We must be pro-active when it comes to water issues. It's important that we come together as a family to take care of business here in the Panhandle-South Plains region," said Chris Grottegut of Dawn.

County Advisory Committee members also received an update on past, present, and future district policy goals from Precinct Five District Director Ronnie Hopper of Petersburg. HPWD General Manager Jason Coleman provided an overview of current district work programs and activities.

Created in 1951 by local residents and the Texas Legislature, the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 is charged with the responsibility of conserving, preserving, protecting, and preventing waste of groundwater within its 16-county service area. The High Plains Water District is the first underground water conservation district created in Texas.



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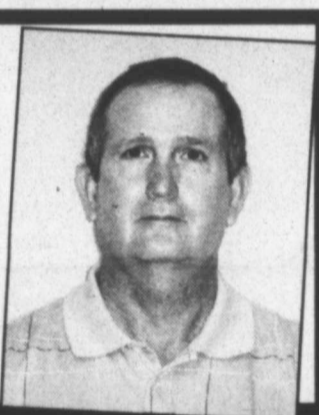
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Larry Durham

FOR **Lynn County Commissioner, Pct. 4**

Early Voting is February 18-28
Republican Primary is Tuesday, March 4

TAHOKA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT				
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES				
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS				
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2013				
DATA CONTROL CODES	10 General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	98 Total Governmental Funds	
REVENUES				
5700 Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 1,665,176	\$ 96,599	\$ 1,761,775	
5800 State Program Revenues	4,645,886	10,887	4,656,773	
5900 Federal Program Revenues		564,553	564,553	
5020 Total Revenues	6,311,062	672,039	6,983,101	
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
0011 Instruction and Instruction-Related Services	3,524,783	300,180	3,824,963	
0012 Instructional Resources and Media Services	98,962		98,962	
0013 Curriculum Development and Instructional Staff Development	144,838		144,838	
0021 Instructional Leadership		6,640	6,640	
0023 School Leadership	350,910		350,910	
0031 Guidance, Counseling and Evaluation Services	98,933		98,933	
0033 Health Services	66,442		66,442	
0034 Student (Pupil) Transportation	279,052		279,052	
0035 Food Services	6,243	386,549	392,792	
0036 Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities	378,232		378,232	
0041 General Administration	404,171	1,873	406,044	
0051 Plant Maintenance and Operations	817,557		817,557	
0052 Security and Monitoring Services	42,923		42,923	
0053 Data Processing Services	92,563		92,563	
0061 Community Services	95,174		95,174	
0071 Principal on Long-Term Debt	19,981		19,981	
0072 Interest on Long-Term Debt	114		114	
0081 Capital Outlay	1,234,346		1,234,346	
0093 Payments to Member Districts of SSA	11,692		11,692	
0099 Other In governmental Charges	30,987		30,987	
6030 Total Expenditures	7,697,903	695,242	8,393,145	
1100 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(1,386,841)	(23,203)	(1,410,044)	
Other Financing Sources and (Uses):				
7913 Proceeds from Capital Lease	58,835		58,835	
7915 Transfers In		23,203	23,203	
8911 Transfers Out	(23,203)		(23,203)	
Total Other Financing Sources and (Uses)	35,632	23,203	58,835	
EXTRAORDINARY ITEM				
7919 Extraordinary Item - Insurance Recovery	1,156,136		1,156,136	
1200 Net Change in Fund Balances	(195,073)		(195,073)	
0100 Fund Balances - Beginning	3,101,872		3,101,872	
3000 Fund Balances - Ending	\$ 2,906,799	\$ -	\$ 2,906,799	

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Lynn County Judge

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Lynn County Judge

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To the registered voters of the County of Lynn County, Texas:
(A los votantes registrados del Condado de Lynn, Texas.)

An election is hereby ordered to be held on March 4, 2014, in Lynn County, Texas. (Por la presente se ordena que se lleve a cabo una elección el día marzo de 4, 2014 en el Condado de Lynn, Texas.)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., March 4, 2014, for the voting in an election for the Republican Primary. (El notice la polling place entre las 7:00 a.m. y 7:00 p.m., el marzo 4, 2014 y votación elección Primaria del partido Republicano.)

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/s/ John Baker
Lynn County Republican Chairman

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New Home Science Fair participants ...
The New Home students participated in the New Home ISD Science Fair. Pictured here, front row from left: Casen Lucas, Jaxxon Zant, Brylee Parker, McKenzie Johnston, Ryan Bundy, Rebecca Abney, Jordan Moore, and Alex Viotlas. Center row from left: Taylor Smith, J'Den Gray, Parker Littlefield, Riley Stokes, Alice Hamilton, M'Kenna McFadden, Mackenzie Bolton, Nicki Salvato, Whit Smithson and Kealey Benson. Back row: Lea Gustafson, Daniel Hall, Lexi McLaurin, Carolynne Olsen, Michaela Rodriguez, Brayden Kirkland, Jett Ballard, Natalie Fuentes, Lea Walden, Celee Smith, Carter Abney, Savanna Lehman and Gabby Cardenas.

New Home ISD Science Fair students advance to Regional event

Martin announces ...
(Continued from page 1)
mon sense approach. I have tried to listen to the needs and concerns of citizens of Precinct 4 and Lynn County. I feel I have a good working relationship with the other commissioners, and other elected officials of the county. I have been fairly successful in my business since moving to Lynn County and being commissioner is a way of giving back to the community, and I am not doing it for any financial or political gain.
"I would truly appreciate your support in the upcoming election."
(Political Advertising paid by the candidate)

The New Home ISD Science Fair was held January 23, featuring projects from New Home ISD's 4th-8th grade students along with several high school students, who have been working on their projects since the middle of October. Thirty-six students who placed 1st-5th qualified for the Regional Fair to be held at Texas Tech University on February 14.
"They did an excellent job in creating their projects boards and in presenting their findings to the judges. The judges said that it was difficult deciding a winner in each grade be-

cause there were so many great projects and presenters," said a sponsor.
Results are as follows:
4th Grade: 1st Casen Lucas and Jaxxon Zant, 2nd Brylee Parker and McKenzie Johnston, 3rd Ryan Bundy, 4th Rebecca Abney and Leeya Garcia, 5th Jordan Moore and Alex Vitolas.
5th Grade: 1st McKenna McFadden, 2nd Mackenzie Bolton, 3rd Nicki Salvato, 4th Whit Smithson, 5th Kealey Benson
6th Grade: 1st Taylor Smith, 2nd J'Den Gray, 3rd Parker

Littlefield, 4th Riley Stokes, 5th Alice Hamilton
7th Grade: 1st Jett Ballard, 2nd Lea Walden and Natalie Fuentes, 3rd Celee Smith and Brook Tyson, 4th Carter Abney and Gabe Cantu, 5th Gabby Cardenas and Savanna Lehman
8th Grade: 1st Clara Barrington, 2nd Daniel Hall, 3rd Carolynne Olsen and Lexi McLaurin, 4th Brayden Kirkland, 5th Michaela Rodriguez
9th Grade: 1st Katherine Barrington
10th Grade: 1st Lea Gustafson



Touchdown? ... This snowlady appears to be signaling a touchdown with her arms held up, built on Superbowl Sunday by Haley and Sam Kessler, children of Micah and Mandi Stone in Tahoka.

Two more file for elections

Two more candidates have filed for positions on area ballots during the second week of the filing period, which opened Wednesday, Jan. 29. In Lynn County, the hospital, four cities and three school districts will have elections on May 10. Interested candidates may file through Feb. 28 for city and school board elections, and through March 3 for the hospital board election.
Filing during the past week were two candidates, one for Wilson City Council and one for the O'Donnell ISD Board of Trustees. Incumbent Clyde Wilke filed for one of two seats on the Wilson City Council, and candidate Randy Cook has filed for the OISD Board.
Eight candidates filed during the first week of filing, mak-

ing a contested race in the City of O'Donnell election, with incumbent Scot Martinez filing for re-election as Mayor, and candidate Jesse Perez also filing for the seat. Two of three council members have also filed for re-election, including Raymond Zepeda and Dana Brownlow. Incumbent Mike Renteria has filed for re-election on the O'Donnell ISD Board of Trustees, for one of two seats on the board.
Two incumbents have filed for two of three city council seats with the City of Tahoka, with Jeff Martin filing for District 4, and Ray Box filing for the At-Large District 5 seat. Incumbent Jimmie Bingham has filed for re-election to the Pet. 3 seat on the Tahoka ISD Board of Trustees.

CHL class offered here February 22

A Concealed Handgun License class will be conducted on Saturday, Feb. 22 in Tahoka. Doug Clements, who has 30 years law enforcement experience, will conduct the classes. Discounts available to teachers, military, first responders and students. Range guns are available. To register for the class, contact Lynn County Sheriff Jerry Franklin at 806-548-6015, or Doug Clements, 806-778-5639.

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RE-ELECT

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Lynn County COMMISSIONER, PCT. 4

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Republican Primary: March 4, 2014
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