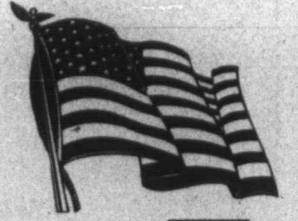




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## No serious traffic accidents caused by icy weather

Despite a couple of days of slick roads due to snow and ice, only a pair of minor traffic accidents were reported in the county during the last week.

On Sunday, a 2000 Chevrolet Blazer reportedly driven by Jacob Rodriguez of Tahoka struck a utility pole on a county road west of the roadside park north of Tahoka on U.S. 87.

No injuries were reported in that accident, or in another one Tuesday on U.S. 87 north of FM 3332, where a vehicle struck a stop sign. No further details on that mishap were available.

Tahoka Police were called to a local business Friday, where a 37-year-old Tahoka woman was accused of threatening bodily harm to another Tahoka woman. Witnesses were questioned and officers indicated the case would be presented for prosecution.

Police also arrested a Tahoka man Sunday for public intoxication. Robert Ortiz, north of Tahoka, advised Sheriff's officers last Thursday that some blank checks had been stolen.

On Friday, a grass fire in the median of U.S. 87, 12 miles north of Tahoka, was controlled by Wilson Volunteer Fire Dept.

Lynn County Jail held 42 inmates early this week, including 25 for Ector County. Latest arrests were for public intoxication, contempt of court, and bond surrender on charges of driving while license was suspended.

Don't miss the fun on  
**June 20, 2015**  
at the  
**Centennial Celebration**  
marking the 100th year of  
incorporation for the  
**City of Tahoka**  
12:00 Noon - 8:00 p.m.  
at the Tahoka Mini Park

Also, don't miss an opportunity to tour the Tahoka Lake area that morning - watch for details to come!

## What's Outside

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Feb 17	49	25	
Feb 18	60	28	
Feb 19	71	28	
Feb 20	80	30	
Feb 21	61	38	
Feb 22	37	36	
Feb 23	25	15	0.10"
Total Precip for Jan:			1.70"
Total Precip for Feb:			0.67"
Total Precip. for 2015:			2.37"

## 10 more candidates file for local May 9 elections

Ten more candidates filed during the past week for the upcoming May 9 elections. Filing this week were two more candidates for the Tahoka ISD Board of Trustees, making a contested At-Large race, two for Tahoka City Council, three incumbents for the City of Wilson election, one for the OISD election, and two more candidates for the LCHD Board of Directors, which makes that a contested race as well.

The filing period for city, school and hospital board elections in Lynn County ends Friday, Feb. 27 for candidates to file for a place on the ballot at the main offices of the respective entities.

Following is a complete list of terms expiring in the elections, with names printed in italics of candidates who have filed, as reported by officials from each entity.

**Lynn County Hospital District:** Three directors, 3-yr terms. Terms expiring: Jannis Childress, Jerry Ford, Nancy Guilliams. Filing: *Jannis Childress, Jerry Ford Jr., Nancy Guilliams, and Robbie Autry.*

**City of Tahoka:** Mayor and two Council members, 2-yr terms. Terms expiring: Mayor John Baker; Council District 1: Rudy Fuentes; District 3: Amy Preston. Filing: *John Baker for Mayor; Rudy Fuentes for Dist. 1, and Amy Preston for Dist. 3.*

**Tahoka ISD:** Four trustees. Terms expiring: At-Large (3-yr terms): Cathy Box, Michael Duncan; Pct. 2 (1-yr unexpired term): Scottie Olivan; Pct. 4 (2-yr unexpired term): Matt Woodley. Filing: *Pct. 2-Abraham Vega; Pct. 4-Matt Woodley; At-Large: Scottie Olivan, Dr. Cathy Box, Clay D. Taylor, John (Mike) Rivas.*

**City of Wilson:** Three council seats, 2-year terms. Terms expiring: Helen Stephenson, Weldon Menzer, Pat Cates. Filing: *Helen Stephenson, Weldon Menzer, Pat Cates.*

**Wilson ISD:** Two trustees, 3-year terms. Terms expiring: Bobby Miller, April Moore. Filing: *Bobby Miller, Kim Steen, Michael Villarreal.*

**City of New Home:** Mayor and one Council member, 2-yr terms. Terms expiring: Mayor David Gandy; Council: John Edwards. Filing: *none.*

**New Home ISD:** (Election is in November)

**City of O'Donnell:** Two Council seats, 2-yr terms. Terms expiring: Martin Casarez, Liz Luera. Filing: *Kimberly Parker, Matthew Gibson, Mike Renteria.*

**O'Donnell ISD:** Two trustees, 3-yr terms. Terms expiring: Monty Hancock, Mandy Stidham. Filing: *Monty Hancock, Mandy Stidham.*

Deadline to file is 5 p.m. this Friday, Feb. 27.

Who in the world is reading

## The Lynn County News?

Hmmm... Where are the cartoons?



**Our youngest reader ...** Cute little Bristol Gayle Odom-Richardson, who may be the Lynn County News' youngest reader, inspects the pages for newsworthy items, after grabbing the newspaper from her grandmother, Amy Schuknecht of Tahoka. She is the daughter of Courtney Odom and Tanner Richardson. Grandparents are Lane and Amy Schuknecht, and Cliff and Lauri Richardson, and she is the great-granddaughter of Dewayne and Donna Schuknecht, and Sissie and Doug Watts. Bristol would qualify for the half-pint discount on her LCN subscription!



See stories inside on basketball playoffs



### Tahoka Bulldogs are Bi-District Champions!

The Tahoka Bulldogs won the Bi-District Championship trophy Tuesday night, beating Fort Hancock 53-40 to advance to the Area playoffs. Team members include Carlos Moralez (4), Luke Fleenor (5), Colton Taylor (10), Roman Parmer (12), Grant Tekell (14), Dillon Trevino (20), Kevin White (24), Jared Green (30), Eric Saldana (22), and Colbe Perez (21). Reggie Gibbs is Head Coach for the squad, assisted by R.C. Mills.

**Area Playoffs:** Tahoka vs Christoval  
7:30 pm Friday at Colorado City

Yea! County Teams in Basketball Playoffs!

**Lady Eagles are Area Champions and Regional Quarterfinal Champions!**  
O'Donnell's Lady Eagles are pictured with their Area Championship trophy last Friday, beating Wink 67-40. They beat Klondike 67-54 Tuesday to win Regional Quarterfinals. Team members include Brooklyn Balague, Brooklyn Wilkie, Anna Garcia, Lexi Villarreal, Kristyn Edwards, Alyssa Barton, Braylee Brock, Hannah Childress, Reagan Koehler, Ashleigh Jonas, Kaitlin Bell, Selena Castro, Prissy Gonzales, Avery McDaniel, Katy Gruben, Kerri Ortiz, Gillian Jonas, Daniella Santos and Hanna Naumann.

**Regional Semifinal Playoffs:** O'Donnell vs Cross Plains  
3:00 pm Friday at Abilene Christian University



**Leopards are Bi-District Champions!** The New Home Leopards won the Bi-District Championship Monday night, beating Petersburg to advance to the Area playoffs. Team members include (not pictured in order) Miguel Gomez (2), Jonathan Phillips-Garrett (4), Austen Reyes (5), Billy Castro (12), Blaine Watts (13), Emmanuel Rosa (20), Jackson Abney (21), Mariano Torres (24), Ryan Thomas (25), Bradley Walden (30), and David Gomez (32). Koby Abney is head coach, assisted by Coach Fernando Baeza, and helpers Carter Abney and Tanner Harrison.

**Area Playoffs:** New Home vs Crowell  
6:00 pm Thursday at Guthrie



Words of Inspiration:

“ Do the kindest things, in the kindest way. ”



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**Obituaries**



**James Dee Marett**

Graveside services for James Dee Marett, 58, of Dublin, were held at 10:00 am. Saturday, February 21, in Old Dublin Memorial Park. He died on Monday, February 16, 2015.

He was born on May 25, 1956 in O'Donnell. He was the son of Otis D. Marett and Hazel Beatrice (McCormick) Marett, who preceded him in death. He was a U. S. Navy veteran and a Baptist.

Survivors include his sister and brother-in-law, Donna Sue and Doug Gentry of Tahoka; brother and sister-in-law, Mark and Jean Marett of Dublin; and a host of other relatives and friends.



**Trueitt "Curly" Slone**

Graveside services for Trueitt "Curly" Slone, 97, of Tahoka were held on Wednesday, February 25, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. at Green Memorial Cemetery in Wilson. He passed away on Friday, February 20.

He was born December 5, 1917 in Cameron County, Texas to James and Hattie Slone. He worked as a farmer for more than 79 years before retiring. Trueitt was a member of First Baptist Church in Wilson.

Curly was preceded in death by his parents; daughter, Juanell Fort; two sisters; and four brothers.

Those left to cherish his memory are two sons, C. W. Slone and wife Vickie of

Tahoka and Lloyd Slone and wife Teri of Evadale, Texas; eight grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and numerous great-great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorial donations to Green Memorial Cemetery, PO Box 102, Wilson, Texas 79381.

Celebrate the life of Curly by visiting www.combestfamilyfuneralhomes.com.

**Margie Terry**

Funeral services for Margie Terry, 66, of the Del Ray Community of Papola County, Tx will be held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, February 27, 2015 at the Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Dale Reed officiating. Burial will follow in the Waldrop Cemetery under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home. She died February 23, at home.

Margie Nell Lindsey Terry was born October 16, 1948 in Lynn County. She was one of five children born to the marriage of William Franklin and Montie Dee Stanley Lindsey. She married Billy G. Terry July 29, 1964 and together they celebrated 43 years of marriage before his death in 2007.

She was preceded in death by her parents, brother, Elmer Lindsey, sister, Emma Lou Cook, children Emma Miller and Margie Aline Strapps.

Survivors include her son, Frankie Terry and wife Wendy of Carthage; two daughters, Paula Heard and husband Jerry of Longview, Montie Fay Terry and D.J. Cox of Santa Fe; brother, Sam Lindsey of Lubbock; sister, Viola Bertreux and husband Mickey of Tahoka; numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren.

**Woodwork**

by Dalton Wood



**H**ELLO, AND MAYBE "How are you?" frequently plus a handshake are common ways to greet people around here, but there are lots of different traditional greetings around the world, some of them pretty strange to most Americans.

Someone handed me a copy of *The Lawrence County Record*, published in Mt. Vernon, MO, in which columnist Tommy Wilks reported on various traditional greeting customs around the world. No source for the information was listed, but I have no reason to think any of it was made up. The column mentioned traditions in several places I never even heard of, and I won't list them all here—just a few of the more weird ones.

**HONGI**—the traditional welcome greeting of the Maori (in New Zealand) is called the hongi, loosely translated as "the sharing of the breath of life." This involves two persons pressing their noses against each other gently. (I hope they try not to sneeze at the time).

**HAND CLAPS**—in Zimbabwe an evening greeting is by hand clapping. Men clap hello and goodbye with their hands flat, while women cup their hands (which probably makes no sound).

**SALAM**—This is a Malay greeting resembling a simple handshake, only not so simple. Both hands initiate the greeting. Two people lightly grasp both hands and then bring both to rest, palms down, on their own chest. This symbolizes goodwill and that you greet the other person with an open heart. A handshake greeting in a place called Botswana is even more complicated, involving interlocking thumbs, raising arms at right angles, then another handshake with thumbs still locked.

If I were to meet an acquaintance on the street in Botswana or Malaysia, by the time I remembered all that routine, they'd be a half block on down the street.

**KUNIK**—Inuit (is this Iceland?) cultures greet each other with "kunik," whereby the greeter presses his or her nose and upper lip against their friend. This ritual comes from an Inuit tradition of sniffing the face of a buddy or family member as a sign of affection.

Our dog greets his friends somewhat in the same way. Plus he also follows the custom of Tibet, where sticking out your tongue is a customary welcome. In Tibet, the custom dates to an evil, black-tongued 9<sup>th</sup> Century king named Lang Darma. To prove that you weren't the reincarnated king, people would stick out their tongue to show it wasn't black.

In Kenya and Tanzania, the Maasai tribe members greet friends by spitting on each other. It's supposedly a sign of respect, but remind me not to go there.

About a century ago, there was a well-known vaudeville comedian named Eddie Foy, who spit when he talked. Later, his son, Eddie Foy Jr., played his father in a movie called "The Seven Little Foyes." Eddie Jr. looked and acted like his father, including doing the talking/spitting routines. Bob Hope once said Eddie Foy Jr. was "the spitting image of his father."

One time on TV, Foy Jr. made a remark to a comedienne, who replied, "Sorry, I didn't understand you. Would you spray that again?"

**MUSTANG NEWS FROM Wilson ISD**

by Bill Gonzales - Home Liaison

The Jump Rope for Heart event that occurred last Friday proved to be exciting, fun, and beneficial for all involved. A big thank you goes out to everyone for contributing to this very important event.

Monday, February 23 was the start of the fifth six weeks and students at Wilson ISD commenced the week by participating on a severe weather drill, continuing with on-going testing, and getting ready to receive Report Cards this week.

Our Third Grade students were surprised by Mr. Antonio Villarreal, Wilson longtime citizen and grandparent, when he arrived in school with his point collection display to share with our students. The points, all different sizes and shapes, resemble arrowheads and were used by the Indians at one time

as cutting tools. Mr. Villarreal stated that his collection of points were over 2000 years of age and most of them he had found in the Wilson Texas area. Students were given a hands-on approach to learning by touching some of the items that they had read about. The students and staff of Wilson ISD appreciate Mr. Villarreal for the support and help that he and his family provide for our students.

Whataburger and Texas Tech University introduced the Whataburger Winner's Circle winners on Saturday, February 21, 2015 during halftime of the TTU vs. Oklahoma Basketball game. The winners are middle school students who are hard working and strive to do their best in and out of the classroom. Wilson ISD was represented by 6th grader Lupita Olvera and 8th grader Andrew Esparza.



WISD youth in Whataburger Winners' Circle

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**Please visit these Lynn County Churches**

**Draw First United Methodist Church**

(established 1907)  
P.O. Box 496 • O'Donnell, TX 79351  
Phone (806) 428-3357  
PASTOR: REV. WESTON PENDERGRASS  
Sunday Morning Worship - 9:15 am

**TAHOKA Church of Christ**

2320 Lockwood • Box 1177 • Tahoka, TX 79373  
(806) 561-4060 • email: tcoc@poka.com  
PULPIT MINISTER: STEVEN BONNER  
Sunday School - 10:00 am  
Sunday Worship - 11 am  
Fellowship & Devotion - Wednesday 6:30 pm

**Wilson First Baptist Church**

1403 13th St. • Box 67 • Wilson, TX 79381 • (806) 628-6333  
PASTOR: BILLY PARMER  
Sunday School - 9:45 am  
Sunday Worship - 11:00 am & 6:00 pm  
Discipleship Training - 5 pm Sunday  
6:30 pm Wednesdays  
Fellowship Meal & Classes for all ages  
• Bible Study & Prayer Mtg • Youth

**Sweet Street Baptist Church**

1300 AVENUE J • BOX 751 • TAHOKA, TX 79373 • (806) 561-5310  
DAVID EARNEST, PASTOR  
Sunday School - 9:45 am  
(A Bible Study Class for all ages)  
Morning Worship - 11:00 am  
(Uplifting Music - Message from God's Word)  
Wednesday Night - 7 pm  
(Prayer & Bible Study, Children & Youth Ministries)  
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

**Wilson St. Paul Lutheran Church**

16th & Houston St. • Box 136 • Wilson, TX 79381  
(806) 628-6477 • www.stpaulwilson.com  
PASTOR: DAVID W. RONDS  
Sunday School 9:15 am • Divine Service 10:15 am  
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**New Home United Methodist Church**

350 N. Main  
New Home, TX 79363  
(806) 624-7540  
PASTOR: CURTIS SCHRAEDER  
Sunday School 10:00 am • Worship 10:45 am  
Youth Activities

**How to Study the Bible**

2 Timothy 3:14-17

Many people find the study of Scripture to be an intimidating, if not impossible, endeavor. But God encourages us to put His Word on our hearts (Deut. 6:6), and He will open His Word to us if we are faithful to study it with diligence and humility. Consider joining a Bible study or class offered by your church so that you may learn from other Christians. Be sure to make some time each week for the study and contemplation of God's Word.

For further study:  
Ezra 7:10

Excerpts taken from BibleGateway.com/  
devotionals/tabletalk-coram

**First Baptist Church**

1701 Ave. K • Box 1547 • Tahoka, TX 79373  
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PASTOR: BILL FULLER  
Sunday School - 9:45 am  
Morning Worship Service - 10:45 am  
SNL (Youth) - 6:00 pm Sunday  
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**Tahoka Trinity Church**

1925 Lockwood • Box 1165 • Tahoka • (806) 561-5317  
PASTOR: PHOENIX BRIDGEMAN  
Sunday School - 9:45 am  
Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 am  
Sunday Evening Worship - 8 pm  
Youth - Sundays at 7 pm  
For a guide to Sunday School or Church, call 867-8317

**First Methodist of Tahoka**

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email: functahoka@poka.com  
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Sunday Worship Service - 10:30 am  
Sunday Evening Service - 6:00 pm  
Mid-Week Bible Study - 7:00 pm

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**Superior musicians ...** Last Saturday, Feb. 21, at the Region 16 UIL Music Instrumental Solo & Ensemble Contest, all 23 Tahoka 3-D Bandsmen earned "Superiors" or "I's" on their grade 1 solos and ensembles, thus qualifying them to compete on May 23 at the Texas State Solo & Ensemble Contest at Hendrickson High School in Pflugerville. Eleven earned two gold medals apiece by competing in two different ensembles or solo.

**Tahoka Band students earn Superior ratings at contest**

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Those earning "I's" were: Alto Saxophone Solo-Jordan Draper; Clarinet Choir-Micaela Torrez, Mercedes Perez, Andrea Garcez, Mia Saldana, Elvia Aguilar, Lacy Goodell; Woodwind Ensemble-Tari'Anna Pena, Sarina Ybarra, Micaela Torrez, Mia Saldana, Mercedes Perez, Elvia Aguilar, Lacy Goodell, Jordan Fowler, Carlos Moralez, Braden Farrell, Kyle Jones, Charlie Duran, Sonya Gonzales, Emit Quintero, Mishelle Earnest; Brass Quartet-Tony Garcia, Sarah Fleenor, Chris Earnest, Luke Fleenor; Brass Sextet-Yancy Draper, Tony Garcia, Alicia Broun, Chris Earnest, Luke Fleenor, and Patrick Herrera.

"This is the first time in several years that everyone earned "Superiors." Needless to state, we are extremely proud of all of these," exclaimed directors Carroll Rhodes and Johnathan Smith. "The soloists, besides playing well, also had to play their music by memory, which is an additional challenge which they successfully met. Mrs. Su-

zanne Fleenor excellently accompanied both soloists and we greatly appreciate her God given ability and hard work in playing for these students."

At the annual Tahoka 3-D Band Spring Concert, May 21, many of these groups and soloists will be featured prior to the 3-D Band performing.

**Bulldogs win Bi-District, set for Area playoff**

The Tahoka Bulldogs won the Bi-District Championship with a 53-40 win over Fort Hancock at Monahans Tuesday night. The win moves the Dogs to the Area round of the Class 2A UIL Boys State Basketball Championships bracket.

The Bulldogs will face Christoval at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 27 at Colorado City in the Area round.

Three Bulldogs scored in double figures in the bi-district win, with Jared Green lead scorer with 16 points, Carlos Moralez tossing in 12, and Grant Tekell adding 10 to carry the Dogs to victory.

The Dogs led 11-8 in the first quarter, but trailed by 3 at the half after a cold second period, behind 26-23 at halftime. Ft. Hancock kept it pretty even in the third period, with Tahoka still trailing by one, 37-36, going into the final period.

The fourth quarter was all about the Dogs, however, as the defense allowed only 3 points while the offense added 17 for a final victory of 53-40, decisively claiming the championship trophy.

**Senior Citizen's Menu**

**March 2-6**

- Monday:** Hotdog w/ mustard, baked potato w/ sour cream, broccoli, pineapple gelatin
- Tuesday:** Turkey pot pie, corn, salad, wheat roll, ambrosia
- Wednesday:** BBQ Chicken, roasted ranch potatoes, summer squash, salad, wheat roll, peach cobbler
- Thursday:** Chicken spaghetti, spinach, carrot & raisin salad, gingerbread w/ peach sauce
- Friday:** Cheeseburger, potato wedges, tomato wedge salad, melon medley

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**State performer ...** Chris Earnest performed at the ATSSB All-State 3A-2A-1A Concert Band, on Saturday, February 14, in San Antonio at the TMEA Convention. Chris qualified for the All-State Band on the bass trombone and is the ninth individual student to qualify for State from the Tahoka 3-D Band over the past 20 years.

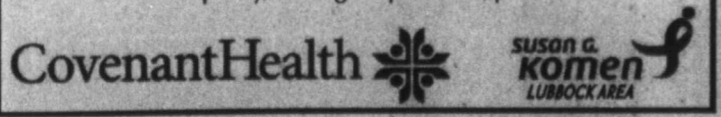
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Way to go, Bulldogs!  
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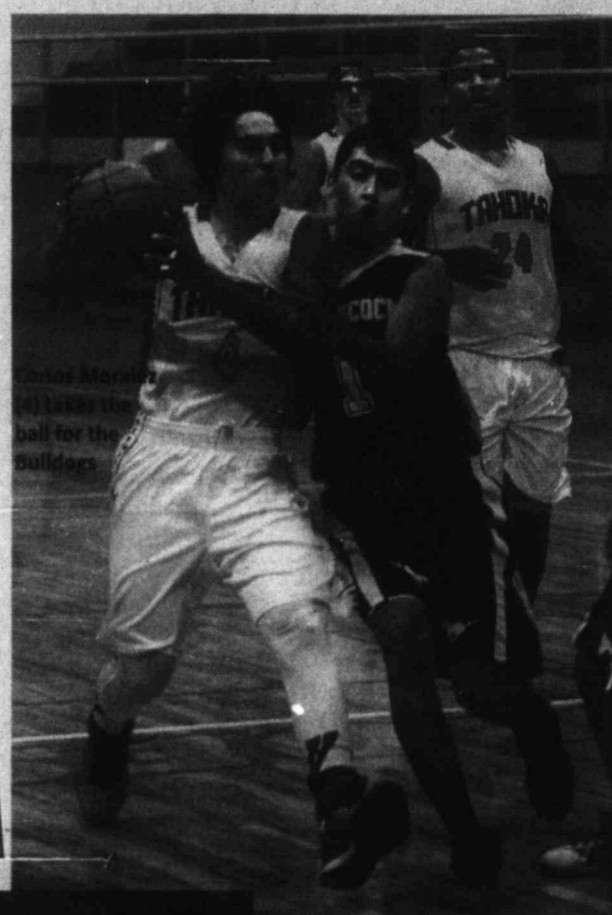
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**AT UIL PLAYOFFS**

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**at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 27 at Colorado City**



Jared Green (30) scored 16 points for Tahoka's win

LEN PHOTOS by Abraham Vega

**Tahoka defeated Fort Hancock 53-40 to win Bi-District!**

**2014-2015 TAHOKA BULLDOGS**

- 4 Carlos Moralez
- 5 Luke Fleenor
- 10 Colton Taylor
- 12 Roman Parmer
- 14 Grant Tekell
- 20 Dillon Trevino
- 21 Colbe Perez
- 22 Eric Saldana
- 24 Kevin White
- 30 Jared Green

**Coach: Reggie Gibbs**  
**Assistant: R.C. Mills**

**We're backing the BULLDOGS!**

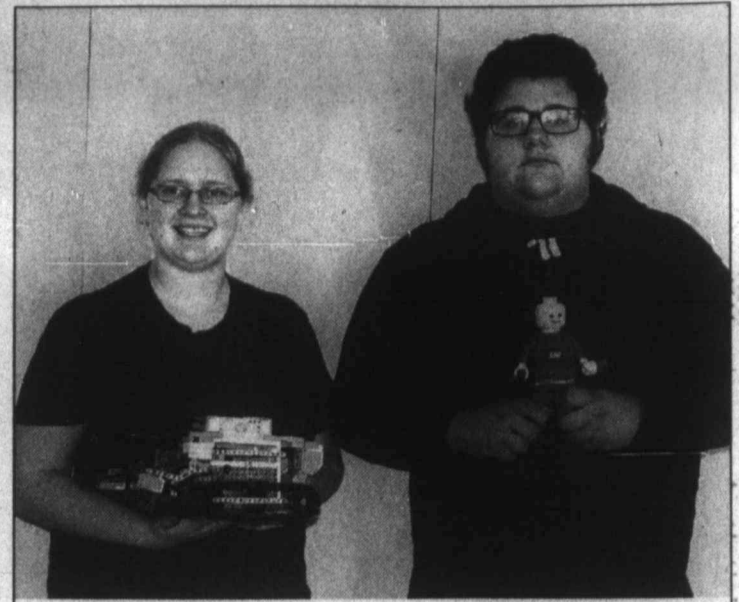
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- Pop Bolly's BBQ
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**Robotics teams ...**  
These New Home ISD students competed in the TCEA robotics competition on January 24. Pictured, front row from left, are Elena Pando, Hayden Ehlers, Danielle Fonseca, Strait Earwood, Whit Smithson, and Connor Cook; and in back, Kayla Carroll, Nathaniel Mojica, Hunter Bolton, Dimitri Correa, and Lea Gustafson.



**State Qualifiers ...** New Home High School students Lea Gustafson (left) and Dimitri Correa created an automated LEGO vacuum, placing 2nd in the TCEA robotics competition to qualify for the State robotics competition in May.

## LCHD seeks clarification of Enabling Act with legislative bill

by JUANELL JONES

Lynn County Hospital District is running a legal notice in this issue of *The News* that reads "Notice of Intent to File Bill," which will seek to clarify language in the hospital's Enabling Act regarding the ability of LCHD to call a bond election.

Hospital CEO Stace Holland explained to *The News* that he discovered that the original Enabling Act when LCHD was created was clear in the language that dictated that LCHD must require a taxpayer vote of

approval of any tax levy, such as to call for a bond election. However, in 1993, the LCHD Board of Directors sought and received legislative approval to change the original Enabling Act, which removed the requirement for voter approval.

"We are asking the legislature to reinstate the original language in the LCHD Enabling Act to require a majority vote approval by taxpayers for any tax levy, such as for a bond election," explained Holland. "This is actually how we conducted the bond election last year, because we believe that any tax levy should be approved by taxpayers," he said.

Holland said that LCHD is not considering seeking another bond election at this time, but the LCHD Board wanted to ensure that any future bond election would be required to have voter approval before levying additional taxes.

"We may, someday, try another bond election for hospital improvements, but we are not considering one at this time," said Holland. "Any project like this would need the support of the community, and we are simply trying to make sure that any future bond election must come to the voters for approval," he added.

### Good Grief!

Nearly two and a half decades after his death, a "new" book by Ted Geisel, better known as Dr. Seuss, is all set for publication, says the Association of Mature American Citizens. It's called "What Pet should I Get?" and the famed author of books for children of all ages wrote it more than a half century ago.

Sometime after the good word-doctor's passing, his wife set out to do a little remodeling in their La Jolla, CA home. She put a few of her husband's possessions - including the manuscript - in a box and set it aside so that workers could go about their chores.

Random House, which plans to release the book this summer, said: "This never-ever-before-seen picture book by Dr. Seuss about making up one's mind is the literary equivalent of buried treasure!"

## Leopards are Bi-District champions, now eye Area playoff against Crowell

The New Home Leopards overcame an early deficit of 22-12 to win the Bi-District Championship title Monday night, squeaking past Petersburg 54-52 to advance to the Area round of the Class A State UIL Boys Basketball playoffs. The New Home team faces Crowell tonight (Thursday) in the Area playoffs, at 6 p.m. at Guthrie.

Billy Castro led the Leopards with 19 points in the bi-district game, and Mariano Torres added 9 points, with Ryan Thomas and Blaine Watts scoring 8 points each, Jackson Abney tossing in 6, and Emmanuel Rosa adding 4 points.

Koby Abney is head coach for the Leopard squad.

## Lady Eagles advance to Regional Tournament

The O'Donnell Lady Eagles basketball team advanced to the Regional Tournament in the UIL Girls Class 1A State Basketball playoffs Tuesday night, claiming the Regional Quarterfinal Championship trophy with a 67-54 win over Klondike.

They now head to the Regional Tournament in Abilene this weekend, with the Regional Semifinal round set for 3 p.m. Friday against Cross Plains, at Abilene Christian University's Moody Coliseum.

Coach Terry Collins' Lady Eagles won the Area Championship trophy with a 67-40 win over Wink last Friday at Andrews to advance to the quarterfinal round. Sophomore Brooklyn Wilkie led scoring with 22 points in the win, and junior Avery McDaniel also finished in double digits, with 16 points.

With a 9-1 district record, the Lady Eagles earned a bye in the bi-district round as the District 11-A Champions.

## Two New Home High School students advance to state in robotics event

New Home ISD students competed in the TCEA robotics competition in Lubbock on January 24. Although this was the first year for all the students to compete in this competition, two NHHS students are advancing to the State competition in May - Dimitri Correa and Lea Gustafson.

TCEA (Texas Computer Education Association) offers two separate types of competitions, Arena and Invention. The NHHS team of Dimitri Correa and Lea Gustafson participated against six other teams in the Invention portion, creating an automated LEGO vacuum. Its purpose was to help clean up the floor after a child is finished playing with them. Along with creating the design, building and programming their robot, they also had to design a marketing plan, infomercial, and business plan for their company. They placed 2nd in the competition and qualified to advance to

the State competition. New Home junior high students participated against 31 teams in the Arena competition, which consists of a set of challenges that they were able to work on over the course of three months. Then at the competition they have two minutes to complete as many of the challenges as possible.

The Apache Raiders consisting of Connor Cook, Strait Earwood, and Whit Smithson placed 11th; The Neek Squad consisting of Hayden Ehlers, Elena Pando, and Kayla Carroll placed 16th; and the Leopard Attack consisting of Hunter Bolton, Nathaniel Mojica, and Danielle Fonseca, placed 20th.

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## LEGAL NOTICES

### NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE BILL

Pursuant to the Constitution and the laws of the State of Texas, notice is hereby given of the intent to introduce a bill in the 84<sup>th</sup> Legislature of the State of Texas at its regular session in Austin, Texas, the substance of the contemplated law being as follows: An act relating to the ability of the Lynn County Hospital District to call a bond election.

All interested persons will, therefore take notice of the matters and facts set out in the foregoing statement of the substance of the contemplated laws as required by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Texas.

Any questions on this amendment should be directed to the Lynn County Hospital District, Attention: Stace Holland, CEO. 09-30c

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**NH Science Fair...** Fourth grade through eighth grade students at New Home ISD participated in the 2015 New Home Science Fair. Pictured back row from left are: Dillan Ford, Jett Ballard, Jayton Rodgers, Celee Smith, Carter Abney, Tanner Harrison, Kaden Buckelew, and Lea Gustafson. Middle row: Connor Cook, M'Kenna McFadden, Ryan Weeks, Trevor Wilson, Sam Kirkland, Ashlyn Ballard, Taylor Smith, Danielle Fonseca, Kamryn Lucas, Kyle Gill, and Hunter Bolton. Front row: Braxton Beck, Brady Weeks, Dillon DeAnda, Keaton Pearson, Cameron McFadden, Addie Stewart, Casen Lucas, Pace Ritz, Jaxxon Zant, Jake Tabor, and Brylee Parker.

**New Home Science Fair names winners**

Fourth grade through eighth grade students at New Home ISD participated in the 2015 New Home Science Fair. The top five projects in 4th-8th grade qualify for the Regional Science Fair at Texas Tech University on February 13. Results are as follows:

4th Grade: 1st place: Braxton Beck; 2nd Place: Brady Weeks and Dillon DeAnda; 3rd Place: Keaton Pearson; 4th Place: Cameron McFadden; 5th Place: Addie Stewart

5th Grade: 1st place: Casen Lucas; 2nd Place: Pace Ritz; 3rd Place: Jaxxon Zant; 4th Place: Jake Tabor; 5th Place: Brylee Parker

6th Grade: 1st place: Connor Cook; 2nd Place: McKenna McFadden; 3rd Place: Ryan Weeks; 4th Place: Trevor Wilson; 5th Place: Sam Kirkland

7th Grade: 1st place: Ashlyn Ballard; 2nd Place: Taylor Smith; 3rd Place: Danielle Fonseca; 4th Place: Kyle Gill and Kamryn Lucas; 5th Place: Hunter Bolton

8th Grade: 1st place: Dillan Ford; 2nd Place: Jett Ballard; 3rd Place: Jayton Rodgers; 4th Place: Celee Smith and Brook Tyson; 5th Place: Carter Abney and Tanner Harrison.

"The students have been working on projects since the start of October and have done an excellent job presenting their findings to our judges," said a sponsor.

**Commissioners clarify insurance issues, set County Appreciation Day for April 13**

by JUANELL JONES

Lynn County Commissioners met Monday morning at the county courthouse, clarifying issues regarding employee health insurance and setting the annual Lynn County Appreciation Day cookout for Monday, April 13 on the courthouse lawn, during County Government Month. Lynn County residents are invited to come to the courthouse for a free hamburger cookout at noon that day, prepared and served by county officials and employees.

Commissioners approved a revision of the county employee handbook regarding health insurance, clarifying the language to reflect that the county pays the premiums for health insurance only for Lynn County employees, and that eligible dependents/spouses may be covered

at the expense of the employee if the employee elects to do so. This is not a change to the current policy that has been in effect, but simply clarifies the language in the handbook in section 8.01.02.

Also in regards to health insurance, commissioners also clarified an issue that had been approved in minutes from a previous year, to restrict to no more than 10 percent of the county employees an opportunity to choose to receive health insurance coverage elsewhere other than through the county's insurance program, in order to qualify for the coverage with Texas Association of Counties (TAC) health insurance program (which requires 90% participation). After the 10% allowed is full, an employee may file to be on a waiting list to be in the

10% who may choose coverage elsewhere, when a space becomes available.

A resolution supporting the Extension of Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code was approved, that supports the increased tax benefits to the local school district and continuation of local decision-making power to approve projects, and urging the state legislature to show its support of rural Texas communities by passing bills that are stated in the resolution.

An inter-local agreement with Garza County was approved, for Garza to pay Lynn County an annual fee of \$10,000 to share the Lynn County Crime Victim's Advocate with Garza County, as needed. Commissioners also moved to apply for unclaimed capital credits with the Texas Comptroller's Of-

ice, and voted to seek bids for courthouse repairs for masonry work.

Commissioners accepted three compliance letters from Stevens Ranch Wind Energy, LLC, certifying compliance with three issues. The first was an Annual Certification of Compliance with the terms of agreement being met in phase 1 (which includes only 10 wind turbines in southern Lynn County in a wind energy farm located mostly in Borden County). An Annual Certification of Compliance Phase II was accepted, for the second phase of the project which includes 96 wind turbines to be located in southern Lynn County, expected to be commercial in 2015; and commissioners accepted the Completion of Construction certification for completing the first phase of the project.

Sheriff Jerry Dee Franklin reported that he is looking at options to replace an electronic board that helps monitor prisoner cells in the Lynn County Jail. Ashley Cureton with TAC presented information on a "Healthy County" program for employees on county health insurance, and monthly bills were approved.

Lynn County Judge Mike Braddock led the session, with all four commissioners present including Don Blair, Keith Wied, John Hawthorne and Larry Durham, as well as other county officials.

**GB Wilke Memorial Antique Tractor and Car Show is April 11**

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For more information, please call Jim Ellis at 806-241-2811 or Steve Norman at 806-632-2619.

**Farmers could grow more sorghum, less cotton**

By all indications, Texas farmers will likely plant considerably less cotton this year and more grain sorghum, according to a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service expert Dr. Mark Welch, grains marketing economist in College Station.

In the face of much lower commodity prices, farmers are facing real challenges deciding what to plant and what not to plant in order to see a positive return for 2015.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture won't release its planting intentions report for spring crops until March 31, Welch noted. But the National Cotton Council recently came out with their own survey, and they are anticipating a large reduction in cotton acreages nationwide, but particularly in Texas.

According to the council's survey, Texas estimated cotton acreage is 5.34 million acres, down nearly 14 percent from the actual 2014 acreage of 6.2 million acres.

There are many cropping choices farmers can make to replace the nearly 850,000 acres, Welch said. But as farmers typically react to relative prices when making cropping decisions, the most likely one will be grain sorghum.

Other alternatives would be sunflowers, soybeans, sesame and canola, Welch said.

"One factor that is much more positive is the moisture situation going into spring is much better than it has been in previous years," he said.

**Local Judge attends seminar**

Judge Nancy E. Guilliams was certified at the recent 20 hour Justice of the Peace Seminar held Feb. 17-20 in Austin. The seminar was sponsored by the Texas Justice Court Training Center, a division of Texas State University. Guilliams is the Pct. 1 Justice of Peace for Lynn County.

The seminar is held for elected Justices of the Peace so they can fulfill their continuing Judicial Education Requirements as set forth in Article 27.005 of the Texas Government Code.

The seminar addressed topics such as deferred disposition and D.S.C., juvenile criminal cases, failure to attend school cases, enforcement of Civil judgments, tenants' remedies, occupational drivers licenses, mental health, commercial motor vehicle offenses, debt claim cases, specialized eviction issues, the Justice of the Peace role in preventing DWI offenses, child welfare and disabilities, legal research, inquests, magistratation and enforcing criminal judgments.

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**PLUS: Approximately 40+ Pieces of assorted Farm Equipment. Plus Tanks, Spray Equipment, Trailers, ... and more.**

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**AUCTION: Friday, March 6... 10:00 a.m.**

LOCATION: Ackerly, TX (Dawson County) From intersection of US 87 and FM 2212 South 6.5 miles on FM 2212.

**BILLY REED, Owner (432) 202-1511**

**TRACTORS/PU:** 2004 MX 285 Case IH MFWD (NICE), 1992 Case IH 7130 MFWD (CLEAN), 1982 JD 4640, 1979 JD4440, 1977 JD 8630, 1996 GMC Club Cab, Duals

**PLUS: Approximately 50+ Pieces of assorted Farm Equipment. Plus Trailers, Tanks, Spray Equipment, Livestock items and misc.**

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**AUCTION -- RESCHEDULED DATE**  
(Originally Scheduled 2/24/15)

**Tuesday, March 10...9:00 a.m.**

LOCATION: Plains, TX (Yoakum County) From intersection of 82/380 and TX 214 East 2 miles on 82/380 (Known as Brownfield Hwy)

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