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Words to Contemplate:

661 learned that didn't have to offer some kind of churchy, holy-sounding prayer in order to be heard in heaven. "You might as well tell God what you think," I said. "He already knows it anyway." Most importantly of all, I learned that I am heard. We all are. "

-- TODD BURPO, Heaven is for Real: A Little Boy's Astounding Story of His Trip to Heaven and Back

Spring Book Sale open to the public

Friday, April 17th 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

(and open during lunch) at the

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1717 Main St. . Tahoka Fiction, nonfiction, kids books, audiobooks, DVDs, & VHS - everything is -

25 cents

All monies raised will go to Summer Reading and Summer Camps for kids; for every \$5 sales or donations, get a vote for your favorite Super Hero Teacher. One winner from each Lynn County school will win \$100 during Teacher Appreciation Week, May 4th.

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Fight leads to shooting of man in alley here

A fight between two men escalated into a shooting in an alleyway in Tahoka last Thursday evening, leaving a Lubbock man critically wounded and a Tahoka man jailed for attempted

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Ramon Elias Rivera, 31, was shot twice, once in the chest and once in the stomach, according to Tahoka Police officers, who arrested Tahoka resident Martin Aguirre, 39, at the scene, an alley in the 2000-block of N. 2nd St.

Rivera was taken to Lynn County Hospital for treatment, and then airlifted to University Medical Center in Lubbock with what the report described as "life-threatening injuries." However, the shooting victim reportedly was taken off the critical list and moved into a private room by late Monday.

Police said the two men had fought in the alley about five minutes before the shooting, and that the suspect apparently left the scene and quickly returned with a 9 mm automatic, which was taken from the suspect by officers called to the scene.

Lynn County Sheriff's Dept. last week processed another person indicted by a recent grand jury in 106th District Court. Joel Delgado, 29, of Lamesa was indicted on charges of evading arrest with a vehicle or watercraft.

Sheriff's officers also were summoned to a residence in Wilson Thursday in regard to a domestic disturbance. No arrests resulted.

Tahoka police were advised Friday that someone stole an orange Stihl chainsaw owned by Lyntegar Electric Co-op from an employee's truck, parked at the Lyntegar warehouse on S. 1st St. The chainsaw had a long arm bar that extends to 12 feet.

On April 7, police arrested and jailed a Tahoka woman on an outstanding warrant for failure to appear. On Saturday police arrested a 36-yearold Tahoka man on two outstanding warrants for grand jury indictments charging assault/family violence.

Police also arrested two men for public intoxication early Sunday morning.

Lynn County Jail was holding 44 inmates early this week, including 26 held for Ector County and 3 for Dawson County. Latest arrests included persons charged with possession of marijuana, evading arrest, failure to appear, attempted murder and assault on a family member or household member.

Eat a meal - Help buy LCHD ambulance! Chick-fil-A to have

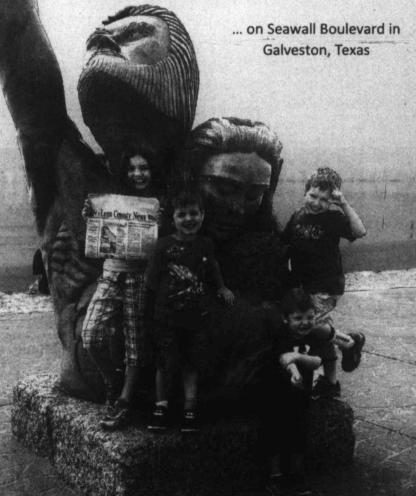
Spirit Day for LCHD Pick up a meal at Chick-fil-A at 69th and Slide Road in Lubbock, on Thursday, April 23, and your order will help make a donation to Lynn County Hospital for their new

ambulance. LCHD and Chick-fil-A invite area residents to join them for "Spirit Day" in support of LCHD. Drive thru or come in the Chickfil-A (69th and Slide Rd location only) during Spirit Day (April 23) and tell the cashier when you place your order that you support Lynn County Hospital. Chick-fil-A will make a donation to Lynn County Hospital based upon the purchases made that day.

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In Galveston ... Averi, Thomis, Dylin, and Parkir (in front), children of Michael and Mandi Duncan of Tahoka, pose with The Lynn County News at the 1900 Storm Memorial sculpture in Galveston, Tx - about 600 miles from home. The Storm Memorial Statue is in memory of the more that 6000 men, women and children who died in the 1900 Hurricane; "The Great Storm". Artist David Moore created the 1900 Storm Memorial, a 10 ft. tall bronze, which was installed on the hurricane's 100th anniversary in 2000:

WANTED: Artistic Inspiration

Artwork depicting past/present scenes of Tahoka wanted for park displays

by JUANELL JONES

rtists of all mediums are invited to submit entries depicting past or present scenes in Tahoka, for a chance to have their artwork displayed on a grander scale. At least two pieces of art will be chosen to be digitally enlarged and screen-printed on a 4'x8' display to be featured at the downtown mural park in the 1600 block of Main Street in Tahoka (just north of The Lynn County News).

The art contest, sponsored by the A.C.T. Board (Advancing the Community of Tahoka), is open to county citizens of all ages - youth and adult - for artwork of any medium (drawings, paintings, photography, etc.) and any size. The only requirement is that

Ready for art ... The blank

the art depict something that represents Tahoka, either past or present.

All entries are due by May 4. Artwork may be taken to Dee Dee Pridmore at the Poka Lambro office in Tahoka, at 1647 Ave. J, or may be submitted digitally by email to ddp@poka.com.

"We are interested in seeing everyone's art, and the A.C.T. Board will probably choose at least two pieces to display at the mural park. The winning entries will be digitalized and enlarged by a graphics company on a screen-print format that will be wrapped around a

4'x8' metal sheet, and then framed and placed in front of the walls surrounding the park," explained Mrs. Pridmore.

For more information about the art project, contact Mrs. Pridmore at the Poka Lambro office, 806-561-5600, or by email at ddp@poka.com.



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Senior Citizen's Menu

April 20-24 Monday: Chicken rice casserole, black-eye peas, carrots, fruit cocktail

Tuesday: Beef stew, turnip greens, cornbread, black forest parfait Wednesday: Polish sausage,

pinto beans, coleslaw, peaches Thursday: Charbroiled beef patty, garlic mashed potatoes, beets, mandarin oranges Friday: Tuna casserole, English peas, chuck wagon

corn, applesauce

Lynn County Hospital benefit auction slated here next Saturday, April 25th

All area residents are invited to the 35th Annual Lynn County Hospital District auction and meal next Saturday, April 25, from 5:30-8:00 p.m. at the Lynn County Show Barn on South 9th Street in Tahoka. The annual fund-raising event for the hospital, sponsored by Tahoka Rotary Club, is known as the Billy Tomlinson Memorial Hospital Benefit Auction, in honor of Tomlinson's longtime service to the hospital as a director. This year, all proceeds from the event will go towards purchasing a new ambulance for the LCHD EMS, which serves all of Lynn County.

Rotary members say there is still time to donate an item for the auction, and all donations are much appreciated. Items may be brought to the hospital, or call the hospital at 998-4533 ext. 293 or any Rotary Club member to pick up the item.

Admission to the event is free, but a \$1 donation will buy a door prize ticket to be eligible for the many door prizes that will be given away. Raffle tickets will also be available. offering a chance to win one of four prizes, including two \$250 Visa gift cards, a \$100 Thriftway gift card, or a \$125 gift certificate for gasoline from Witt Butane.

.The Silent Auction tables,

Mark your calendars ...

· Donations to benefit the Center are needed and greatly appreciated! All donations are tax deductible; we are a 501(c)3 organization.

 BINGO! Monday, April 27 at 1:45 p.m. Come out and win prizes and fellowship with us!

featuring items to be purchased by handwritten bids, will be conducted from 5:30 until 7:30 p.m. This section also includes children's items, as well as a

wide variety of other items. Members of the Tahoka Volunteer Fire Department will be cooking up their popular fish fry, with the meal including the famous fried potatoes/ onions, to help raise funds for the new ambulance. The meal will be served beginning at approximately 5:30 p.m., at a cost of \$6 per plate. Hospital staff and directors will serve the

Phebe K. Warner Club members will once again sell their popular homemade ice cream, and Lynn County 4-H youth will have drinks available at the concession stand. All proceeds benefit the hospital.

The main event of the evening will be the live auction of items donated by area merchants and individuals. The live auction begins at about

6:00 p.m. and continues until all items are sold, usually closing at approximately 8:00 p.m.

Area residents are invited to come out for an evening of fun while supporting their local hospital.

Wilson ISD News By: Bill Gonzales - District Coordinator

of School Improvement/Home Liaison Students at Wilson ISD are preparing for the second round of STAAR testing that is scheduled for next week (the week of April 20). It is very important that all students maintain good attendance this last six weeks of

Teachers continue to contact parents for parent conferences so that all parents/guardians can get updates on their child's progress.

school for the testing and class-

room lessons.

Our athletes participated in the Brownfield District Track Meet on Tuesday, April 14, and Thursday, April 16.

Bid on this "Cowboy Grill" **Crop Production** Services in Tahoka is donating this "Cowboy Fire Pit Grill" to be auctioned at the **April 25th auction** benefitting Lynn **County Hospital** District. LCHD is currently accepting items for this year's annual event. with this year's proceeds to help purchase a new ambulance for the



OMEONE sent me a clipping about a calendar featuring older ladies mostly without clothes, suggesting it might be material for this weekly column. Here is the item:

"The courageous ladies of the Pleasant Pointe Assisted Living center in Ohio bared it all for underprivileged children, producing a 'Full Monty' calendar that's selling like hotcakes at \$12 a copy, reports the American Assn. of Mature American

"Strategically placed objects such as banners and a bubble bath provided a modicum of cover for the overage posers, but couldn't hide their enthusiasm or their mischievous

"The center's administrator, Teresa Morris, said the residents who took part, all in their 80s or 90s, thoroughly enjoyed themselves-'They were like 20-year-olds, giggling and having the time of their lives,' she said."

Well, I have no quarrel with any of that, but I have to be really careful with any comment, lest I should be considered a Dirty Old Man, a label I would prefer to avoid.

Still, I do think it's a good thing to be active trying to raise money for a worthy cause, instead of just sitting around and worrying about the next doctor's appointment.

I kind of doubt that many people are eager to see Greatgrandma naked, or close to it.

However, I always had a fondness for those people, male or female, who don't take their bodies too seriously. I remember reading that comedienne Phyllis Diller donated to some museum what she said was her own training bra, with a label on one side reading "This Side Up."

And another funny lady, Tallulah Bankhead, said this on a Bob Hope broadcast:

"Someone once asked me about my measurements, and I explained to them that I am a perfect 36-36-36-36."

Comedian Red Skelton once said: "I was in really poor shape, so I signed up for a crash course in body building. Every day for six weeks, the mailman delivered 35 pounds of exercise equipment to my house. After six weeks, I had the best-developed mailman in the country."

Wilson ISD Lift-A-Thon set April 20th

The Wilson Athletic Department is sponsoring their 1st annual Lift-A-Thon to emphasize the importance of offseason workouts and to help provide funds for new uniforms, equipment, and the athletic banquet. All 8th-11th grade athletes (boys and girls) are encouraged to participate in the event that will be held at 6 p.m. Monday, April 20 in the Junior High gym. Parents and community members are invited to attend

"Each player will perform three olympic lifts, Bench, Squat, and Deadlift. We will ley, Athletic Director.

"Each player will get \$.01 / \$.05 / \$.10 / \$.25 donations per pound (flat donations are acceptable). The amount of your pledge will be the result of the players combined lift scores. We are asking each player to get a minimum pledge total of \$50,"

All pledge money and forms must be turned into one of the Coaches a week after the lift a thon. Make checks payable ? to Wilson ISD.



WILSON ISD PRE-K ROUND UP

April 27 thru May 1

To register please bring:

- Student's Birth Certificate (Must be 4 by September 1)
- Social Security Card
- Immunization record
- · Parent or guardian identification (driver's license)
- Proof of residency (utility bill)

Transfers welcome to apply

For questions or concerns call the Wilson Elementary Office (806) 628-6271

Please visit these Lynn County Churches

New Home Church of Christ

324 N. Main - Box 188 - New Home, Tx 79383 - (806) 924-7579

Bible Class - 9:30 am Sunday Worship Service - 10:30 am Sunday Evening Service - 6:00 pm Mid-Week Bible Study - 7:00 pm

Tahoka Trinity Church

1925 Lockwood - Box 1168 - Tahoka - (806) 561-5317

Sunday School - 9:45 am Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 am Sunday Evening Worship - 6 pm Youth - Sundays at 7 pm

For a ride to Sunday School or Church, call 561-5317

Draw First United Methodist Church

P.O. Box 496 • O'Donnell, TX 79351 Phone (806) 428-3357

PASTOR: REV. WESTON PENDERGRASS Sunday Morning Worship - 9:15 am

Church of Christ 2320 Lockwood - Box 1177 - Tahoka, TX 79373

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(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 03 13th St. + Box 67 + Wilson, TX 79381 + (806) 628-6333 PASTOR: BILLY PARMER

Sweet Street ptist Church

He Lives!!!

There is a favorite hymn of mine with this same title, and a portion of the lyrics says, "He lives within my heart". This month we have once again experienced Easter! Jesus was crucified and died on the cross, but he arose from the tomb. He was resurrected! He lives! He lives within my heart! He lives within the hearts of those who believe in Him, that He is the Son of God! Do you Believe? Does Jesus live within your heart? Do you need a church home? Please visit one of the churches listed on this page.

May the peace and love of God, in Christ, be with you.

Curtis Schrader, Pastor New Home United Methodist Church

Catholic Church South 4th & Ave. M - Tahoka, TX 79373 - (806) 561-4436 PASTOR: REV. EDUARDO TEO DEACON: PETE PANIAGUA Mass - 11:00 am Sunday, 6 pm Wed. & Thur. Rosary - 6 pm Tues. CCE Class/Confirmation Instruct. - 7 pm Wed New Home United Methodist Church

St. Paul

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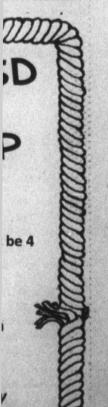
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The Great Crow Massacre of 1952

Recollections of a Young Panhandle Boy melons, fruit and vegetables.

By Little Jimmie Crouch, out Harmony way **New Moore Literary Society** Crows.

Not our proud Native American type. The flying kind. Those black, noisy gang of thieves of all things tasty or shiny. Especially fond of our Texas waterAnd in the 1950's, stealing or eating watermelons was a capital punishment. Might still be. We hated crows.

As a second grader, my job on our farm was to carefully place a dirt clod on top of each melon as it matured, so as to discourage the crows...I haven't figured out if it was an effective deterrent or simply a chore my dad dreamed up to keep me busy during the long hot summer. Most farmers' kids did the same. But I relished the job. I even added glittering strips of tinfoil which supposedly had even more magical powers of warding off those feathered black raiders. There were rumors of other mysterious and secret scare tactics which neighbors kept to themselves, so as not to dilute the effectiveness of their own melon patch secret weapon. So everyone was always on the lookout for better magic. And, some were downright stupid and everyone knew

However, not to suggest that we were totally foolish, all little Texans of a young age soon knew that the crazy scarecrows we erected in the fields (some were real works of art) did absolutely nothing except offer a handy perch for the crows to survey the watermelon patch close up for only the most prime, prized melons. This was war, and we all knew it. My BB gun and my strong right arm with a hard dirt clod were my only weapons.

In the evenings, all the crows for miles around would fly in to roost in a low, wet pasture bottom loaded with mesquite trees about half a mile from our farm, near the Gleghorn place. It was a large mesquite stand of perhaps two or three acres, loaded with mosquitos and snakes and deep grass, nobody ever went there. It was a dark, scary place. Every evening there was a noisy, joyous, rowdy reunion of thousands of victorious crows, cawing to each other about all their victories that day in the watermelon patches. Then at dark, the roost would slowly go silent. Early in the morning, they were off again in a cloud, on to their raiding parties across the border areas of Lynn, Dawson and Borden Counties. Obviously, they wanted to take over the entire Panhandle.

But one day, they went one watermelon too far.

My dad, Mickey Pearce's dad, all the Furlow dads, Wayne and Dwight Gleghorn's dad, Ralph Meeker the cowboy, the Dempseys from the nearby cotton gin, plus an assortment of other nearby farmers, all called for a meetin'. This was unusual, not like a church meetin'. It was kind of a quiet meetin', the kind when trouble was brewing and people whispered.

After a week or so, all of us kids were told to stay away from the mesquite patch down in the pasture because "something might happen". Something big. And, boy, did it ever.

One day while the crows did play, a group of unknown men went into the dark mesquite stand. Us kids could barely see, mostly just hear them moving around down there, doing something all about, but we couldn't make out what was up. And then, our dads came home.

Without a word. Nothing. Then at dusk, as usual, the clouds of crows came winging back into the pasture roost, laughing and cawing and bragging about their exploits that day...yep, even several of my most highly guarded melons had been hit again. Ruined. My clods and my tinfoil cast aside, a

The evening shadows darkened, the crows were all in. It was quiet once again on the Plains.

Ba-Boom! countryside The whole shuddered.

"What was that?", I exclaimed, and ran to the window. A strange, huge cloud of dust was hovering over the pasture, little bits of trees and black debris wafting down from the air. Dad came over behind me to look, not saying a word. We stood and looked together for a long time. He had a strange smile on his face. There was not a mesquite tree, nor a crow, in

The next morning cars were coming from everywhere to

sight.

look at the pasture, now just a black spot in the green bottom earth. And we never saw a crow there again. Plains justice had been done.



JIM CROUCH grew up in the Harmony community south of O'Donnell and attended the O'Donnell School. He remembers the drought. He is nationally recognized as a successful leading partner in a prominent firm of advertising and marketing graphic design on the west coast. Jim is currently retired and lives close to the beach in Del Mar, California with his family.

The New Moore Literary Society Lynn County has produced more than its share of writers. The New Moore Literary Society recognizes those literary types from Lynn County who have published and are still living. From time to time one of these writers will submit an

article to the Lynn County News.

Letters to the

Easter Eggstravaganza was great success

On behalf of the Tahoka Area Chamber of Commerce (TACC), we would like to extend a huge thank you to everyone who helped with this year's Easter Eggstravaganza.

We would like to begin by thanking the following corporate sponsors: « Xcel Energy, Thriftway Grocery, Tahoka Donuts, Wildcat Manufacturing, Poka Lambro Telephone, and The Lynn County News.

Thanks to the Chamber members (+ a spouse or two) and Jerry and Liz Tew and family, who showed up Saturday morning to help! A big thank you goes to the City of Tahoka employees who came out early Saturday morning to help set up and rope off the hunting areas. We would also like to thank the City of Tahoka for the use of the cones and barricades.

Tahoka High School is churning out some amazing volunteers. We would like to thank the THS students who filled more than 3,000 Easter eggs! Also, thanks to the THS Student Council members who helped hide eggs and helped with the games Saturday morning, your assistance was very much appreciated.

Thank you to the volunteers who baked the yummy cupcakes for our cupcake walk (which was a big hit with the kids) and thank you to our fun Easter Bunny! A very special thank you goes to Leighton and Joan Knox for bringing the train and giving train rides around the square.

Last - but certainly not least - we would like to thank everyone who braved the extremely chilly weather and brought your precious little ones out to make some magical Easter memories in Tahoka!

Thank You - Gracias -Merci - Mahalo - Danke! No matter how you say it -- sometimes a simple thank you just doesn't seem enough. Tahoka is indeed a wonderful place filled with wonderful people!

~ TACC Easter Eggstravaganza Committee

P.S. If you're not sure what to do with all those plastic eggs after you've eaten all the candy - don't throw them away, recycle instead! The Chamber will gladly take them and re-use them next year. Eggs may be dropped off at the Lynn County News.



Easter train ... Leighton and Joan Knox brought their Blue Weed Special train for rides around the courthouse square at the Tahoka Area Chamber of Commerce's annual Easter Eggstravaganza held last Saturday. Despite cool blustery weather, a good number of children and their families turned out for the event, and the free train ride was a very popular activity. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)



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The Harmony Gang ... Jim Crouch (middle row right), with

the Harmony Gang including Pearce, lots of Furlow's, Barnes and

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Board approves contract renewals for TISD teachers; 9 staff to leave

Tahoka Independent School District Board of Trustees met in regular session last Thursday, approving teacher contracts as recommended by Superintendent Dr. George McFarland, and hearing a quarterly report on the WIN 2025 ("What's Important Now") directive. This report updated the board on the actions the district is taking that move TISD toward the WIN 2025 vision that the board adopted in December 2014.

Several staff resignations were reported to The News as of this month, effective at the end

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of the this school year. Resignations don't require any board action so they don't make the agenda. Following are the nine resignations Dr. McFarland has received thus far this year:

Elementary campus: Carolyne Wilson (1st grade, retirement), Demetria Salinas (aide, resignation), Jeannie Fuller (aide, retirement);

Middle School: Andrew Blazier (math, resignation), Jarod Wright (science/coach, res-

High School: Tanya Cerovski (ELA, resignation), Sabrina Gon-

zalez (coach/speech, resignation), Michael McKee (social studies/ coach, resignation), and Carletta Renfro (math, retirement).

Band Director Carroll Rhodes recognized students in band who had advanced in UIL competitions, and principals gave attendance and activity reports for their campuses. AD Brandon Hopper gave a report on the activities of district athletic programs.

A board workshop was set for June 2 at 6:00 p.m. for training the board and superintendent on working as a team of 8. A board workshop was set for July 14 at 6:00 p.m. to allow the district to do a policy audit.

Board President Dr. Cathy Box led the meeting, with trustees Jim Bingham, Scott Dimak, Scottie Olivan, and Matt Woodley present. Trustees Brenda Dotson and Michael Duncan were absent from the meeting.

The next school board meeting was set for Monday, May 18

Lynn County Commissioners meeting held here Monday

Lynn County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday at 9:00 a.m. in the basement courtroom. Commissioners Keith Wied, John Hawthorne, Don Blair and Larry Durham were present with County Judge Mike Braddock presiding.

Prior to opening the business session, Pastor David Ernest led the group in prayer and the pledge was made to both the U.S. and Texas Flags.

Commissioner Larry Durham moved to appoint Keith Wied to represent Lynn County for the Spartan Board, with the other commissioners approving

Judge Braddock informed the court he would get a quote from Gordian Company to weatherize the courthouse, and reported that Hale and Associates are currently working on the electrical phase in the courthouse restoration project. Monthly bills were approved.

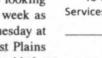
Judge Braddock praised Bill Schoemann and Lena Cloe for obtaining grants from S.P.A.G. for the county.

Commissioners moved to enter into executive session at 9:36 a.m. to consult with an attorney regarding contemplated litigation, meeting with County Attorney Rebekah Filley. The court returned to open session at 10:49 a.m., with no action taken except to move to adjourn the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

Dogs get big win over O'Donnell

The Tahoka Bulldogs played O'Donnell on Saturday and picked up a huge 4-3 win over the district opponent, to start the second half of district baseball off at 1-0. Isaiah Arce pitched 7 complete and had 10 strikeouts in the win.

"Macon Thornton had two of the best at bats all year working the pitch count and finally driving in Brit Lockaby and Isaiah Arce at a crucial point in the ball game," said Coach Stephen Overstreet. "Grant Tekell was the hero in the bottom of the 7th with a solid hit to the shortstop with two outs and was able to run out and beat the throw, scoring Colton Taylor for the game winning run. Excellent job by the kids and are looking to improve to 3-0 this week as we play in Sundown Tuesday at 5, and then we will host Plains on Friday at 6 p.m.," he added.



TxDOT begins SH 349 project in Dawson County

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has begun work on a project in Dawson County that will make major improvements to SH 349, from the SH 137 JCT to the Martin County Line. The \$18.3 million project will completely rebuild the existing roadway from a two-lane roadway to a four-lane divided thoroughfare. The project is anticipated to be

completed in late-summer 2016. Construction work on the project was scheduled to begin this week, with contractor Jones Brothers Dirt Paving, of Odessa, Texas, setting traffic barriers along the project's limits, said James Combers, P.E., TxDOT

Brownfield Area engineer. Traffic will continue in its current one-lane in each configuration but motorists traveling on SH 349 can expect slow moving traffic and delays and are advised to seek alternative routes around the construction zone. The speed limit through the construction zone will be reduced to 65 mph and motorists are urged to use caution when driving through the work zone.

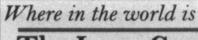
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Seattle, WA... Delia DeLeon and Emily (Bam Bam) Tomlinson with Tahoka ISD attended the National Migrant Educational Conference in Seattle, WA and brought along their Lynn County News. Also attending the conference was Dr. Lisa Ramirez, formerly of Tahoka. Seattle is approximately 1,784 miles from Tahoka

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On March 20, 2015, Wilks License Company-Lubbock LLC, the Assignor, licensee of KBTE(FM), Tulia, Texas, Facility ID 1302, KLLL-FM, Lubbock; Texas, Facility ID 36954, KMMX(FM), Tahoka, Texas, Facility ID 86, and KONE(FM), Lubbock, Texas, Facility ID 26519 (the "Licenses"), filed an application with the Federal Communications Commission to assign the Licenses to Alpha Media Licensee LLC, the Assignee.

The officers, directors and persons or entities holding 10% or more of theattributable ownership interests of the Assignor are: Jeffrey Wilks, Craig B. . Klosk, Matthew E. Gormly, III, Kevin Brady, Wilks Broadcast-Lubbock LLC which, in turn, is controlled by Wilks Broadcast Group LLC, which, in turn, is controlled by Wilks Broadcast Group Holdings LLC which, in turn, is controlled by y Wilks Broadcast Group II Holdings LLC which, in turn, is controlled by Wicks Radio Group LLC which, in turn, is controlled by Wicks Communications & MediaPartners III, L.P., which, in turn, is controlled by its sole general partner, Wicks Capital Management III, L.P. which, in turn, is controlled by its sole general partner, Wicks Apex III, Inc. which, in turn, is controlled by Carter F. Bales, Daniel M. Kortick, Jamie M. Weston, Daniel L. Black, Craig B. Klosk and Matthew E. Gormly, III.

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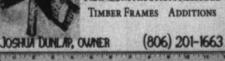
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"The workshop is designed to train personnel in cities and municipalities who are in the field of mosquito abatement," said Dr. Sonja Swiger, AgriLife Extension entomologist at Stephenville

"The goal of the workshop is to educate on mosquito identification, biology, ecology, control tactics, trap usage, surveillance and control, she said. "We will also offer an overview of vèctor-borne diseases and discuss other biting insects."

Individual registration is \$40 and will include lunch. Deadline for early registration is April 28. Copies of the Texas Mosquito Manual will be available for an additional \$10 each.

Continuing education units will be offered for pesticide licensing through the Texas Department of Agriculture and animal control-three for structural and five for agriculture. A total of 4.75 animal control continuing education hours will also be available.

To register and for more information on the workshop, go to http://livestockvetento.tamu. edu or contact Robert Scott at 806-775-1740 or rj-scott@ tamu.edu

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Warning issued of possible increases in hantavirus, other diseases in region

The following information was sent to County Judges, County Extension Agents and Emergency Management Coordinators in this region, to warn of the possibility of increases in several diseases due to the increased moisture received last year, and the snow and rain from this year.

Rodent and rabbit population increases bring the risk of hantavirus pulmonary syndrome (HPS), plague and tula-

"A wet year will increase

mosquito numbers meaning a greater risk of arboviral infections. West Nile and St. Louis encephalitis viruses are endemic. The principal vectors for Dengue and CHIKV are not present in high numbers in the Region, as far as we know based on past trapping history. However, with the variations we're seeing in local climates, that may change. If we ever develop a significant population of either species, then a traveler coming home with either Dengue or CHIKV could lead to the establishment of an endemic reservoir for those viruses. Please remember to practice self-defense by preventing/ draining standing water; avoiding being out at dusk and dawn; wearing long sleeves/long pants when mosquitoes are active; utilize an effective insect repellent; and if windows on houses will be open, be sure screens are in place and in good repair," reports James L. Alexander, DVM, Regional Zoonosis Control Veterinarian with the Texas Department of State Health Ser-

"Plague and tularemia can best be prevented by using a good insect repellent when out in the country-side. Avoid areas where there are rodent or rabbit die-offs and report those to a game-warden, local health department, county extension office or the state health office. If I get a report, I'll investigate and if either of those diseases is present, health alerts and public notification may be done. If anyone hunts rabbits, be sure to use protective, moisture proof gloves if the animal is going to be skinned. If it will be consumed, be sure it is well cooked. Early symptoms of infection with these diseases include "flu-like" symptoms, fever, and possibly, swollen lymph nodes,

usually in the arm pits or groin. Early treatment is essential for survival, so if you handle rabbits or visit a prairie dog town that is either recently vacant or in the process of dying off, be sure to see a physician and report the possibility of exposure to plague or tularemia depending on your potential exposure activity," he added.

As spring cleaning gets under way, be alert for the potential presence of rodent droppings. Those could equate to the presence of a hantavirus. The virus is endemic in HSR 1 and last year this region had 4 cases after an absence of almost 7 years. The risk increases when rodent contaminated areas are cleaned improperly.

Contaminated areas should be aired out before any cleaning activity occurs. A viricide, such as a 10% bleach solution or a commercially available product labeled to kill hantaviruses, should be applied before the area is disturbed. After 30 minutes of contact time, the area should be sprayed again and the debris cleaned up while damp. Rubber/later/plastic gloves should be worn while working with contaminated areas. The goal is not create dust in the air since the virus can ride on dust particles and become inhaled (nose or mouth) or enter the membranes of the eyes. If the generation of dust is a possibility, a well-fitting N-95 or HEPA mask should be worn and some type of goggles to protect the eyes should be utilized.

If a person begins to develop "flu-like" symptoms within six weeks of being exposed to rodent droppings or dust from areas contaminated by droppings should see a doctor and report the possible exposure to rodent excreta

"We don't have a lot of cases of HPS, but we do lead the state with 22 of 42 cases. Our casefatality rate improved with all of last year's four cases having survived, but it still is at 36%," said Dr. Alexander.



April 20-24 Breakfast

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Cereal Tuesday: Chicken & biscuit/ PBJ Sandwich Wednesday: French toast/

Cinnamon rolls Thursday: Early Bird Sandwich/Animal Crackers Friday: Muffin w/ Sausage/ Oatmeal Round

Lunch Monday: Steak fingers/ Chicken Fajitas Tuesday: Asian Chicken w/ brown rice/Pig in a blanket Wednesday: Tex-Mex stack/ Turkey & cheese wrap Thursday: Burgers/Chicken Sandwich

Friday: Chicken Parmesan/ Pizza choice Fruit & vegetable bar daily

April 20-24 Breakfast

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Lunch Monday: Cheeseburger/ Popcorn Chicken bowl/Cheese Tuesday: Pepperoni Pizza/ Breaded Chicken Sandwich/ Chicken quesadilla Wednesday: Chicken Nuggets/ Grilled Cheese/Chicken Terriyaki Thursday: Beef Fingers/Beef

Nachos/Hamburger Friday: Spaghetti w/ meatballs/Corn Dog/Ham & cheese sandwich Fresh fruit & vegetable bar available daily



District winners... The Tahoka High School boys golf team won District at the District Tourney held at the Yoakum County Golf Course last week. Hadley Reynolds (2nd from left) was 1st place medalist and Alfredo Martinez (center) was 2nd place medalist. Team members pictured from left are, Kohl Angeley, Hadley Reynolds, Alfredo Martinez, Trace Cook and Patrick Herrera. The team is competing in the Regional Tournament in Odessa on April 22-23.





Visiting Lynnwood ... Members of the O'Donnell Study Club visited last week with residents of Lynnwood Independent & Assisted Living Center in Tahoka. In photo at left, Rhonda Kingston is visiting with resident Villa Craig, and at right, Elaine Pearson plays the piano while Betty Barton looks on.

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