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- Santa's Land Christmas Drive-Thru Park** is open 6:30-10 pm every Friday, Saturday and Sunday through Christmas, as well as every night Dec. 20-27. South 11th & Ave. O, Tahoka.

Got an event that's free and open to the public? Email us at LynnCoNews@poka.com to get on this calendar.

What's this Word?

misanthropic
Pronunciation: (mis-un-throp'ik)
n. characteristic of a misanthrope (one who hates or distrusts all people).

Who in the story *A Christmas Carol* seems misanthropic?

- a) Scrooge, who doesn't like people much
- b) Bob Cratchit, who worries a lot
- c) Tiny Tim, who is very ill

(answer: a)

BULLDOG BASKETBALL

- Dec 3-5 - Tahoka JV Tourn, JVG-B
- Dec 3-5 - Anton Tourn, VG-B
- Dec 8 - Farwell, 4 pm, JVG-B, VG-B
- Dec 10-12 - Abernathy Tourn, VG-VB

What's Outside

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Nov 24	61	33	
Nov 25	71	36	
Nov 26	73	50	
Nov 27	71	32	0.42"
Nov 28	32	29	0.50"
Nov 29	34	30	0.55"
Nov 30	41	33	0.03"

(Precipitation/temps measured as of 8 a.m. on date reported, for the previous 24-hr period)

Total Precip for Jan:	1.70"
Total Precip for Feb:	0.89"
Total Precip for Mar:	0.53"
Total Precip for Apr:	2.10"
Total Precip for May:	12.83"
Total Precip for June:	1.62"
Total Precip for July:	2.45"
Total Precip for Aug:	1.51"
Total Precip for Sept:	1.24"
Total Precip for Oct:	3.67"
Total Precip for Nov:	2.26"
Total Precip. for 2015:	29.76"

Man dead after 3-vehicle crash in Lynn County

by JUANELL JONES

A Lubbock man was fatally injured in a three-vehicle crash in Lynn County, on U.S. 87 four miles north of O'Donnell, during the week before Thanksgiving.

Authorities responded to the scene at 4:42 p.m. Monday, Nov. 23. All three vehicles were traveling northbound on US 87 when a box truck ran into the rear of a semi that had stopped due to possible mechanical failure, according to information released by Sgt. Bryan Witt, Media and Communications officer with the Texas Department of Public Safety. A 2008 Chevrolet utility van driven by 29-year-old Ernest Molina Torres, of Lubbock, was heading north on U.S. 87 when he failed to control his speed and rear-ended a semi that was stopped in the inside lane after experiencing a possible mechanical power failure.

Another utility van driven by 26-year-old Adam Xavier Belgara, of Lubbock, was right behind Torres but swerved out of the way and into a ditch.

Torres was pronounced dead at the scene.

The driver of the semi, 38-year-old Rodolfo Estrada Perales, of Lamesa, was reportedly not injured. Belgara

was also not injured. All three drivers were wearing seatbelts.

Lynn County Sheriff's Officers also responded to a one-vehicle accident due to icy weather, and a vehicle fire, both on Friday, Nov. 27. A 2002 Suzuki SUV driven by Jose Antonio Soliz of Lamesa hit an icy spot on US 87 just north of Tahoka at 6:42 p.m. during icy weather, and slid off into a ditch. No injuries were reported.

And at 10:42 p.m. that same night, a pickup truck driven by Armando Ramirez of Midland caught fire as he was traveling southbound on US 87 in Lynn County. He pulled off the highway about 6 miles north of Tahoka, and the vehicle was totally engulfed in flames when volunteer firefighters from Tahoka VFD responded to the call. No injuries were reported in this incident.

Sheriff's deputies responded to a domestic violence call at 2 a.m. Nov. 25 at a residence in New Home, where a woman reported that she had been assaulted by her boyfriend. According to the report, the man had fled the scene before deputies arrived, and the investigation is continuing.

Tahoka Police arrested a local (See POLICE REPORT, page 3)



Harvest Festival donation
Abbie Jackson (center), 2015 Lynn County Harvest Festival Queen, presents a \$500 donation from the Harvest Festival to Tahoka Rotary Club for their Senior Santa program benefiting senior citizens at Christmas. Representing Rotary are Melanie Richburg (left), President, and Brenda Whitten, President-Elect.

106th District Attorney seeks re-election for another term

By Michael Munk, District Attorney

I am a Texan by choice, and have been ever since moving to West Texas in early March 2006, where my pursuit for justice and victims' rights began as a victim advocate for former District Attorney, Ricky B. Smith. In the decade to come, and with God's blessing, my path led me to that of an assistant district attorney in our 106th Judicial District Attorney's Office, the Elected Garza County Attorney, and the Elected District Attorney for our four county district.

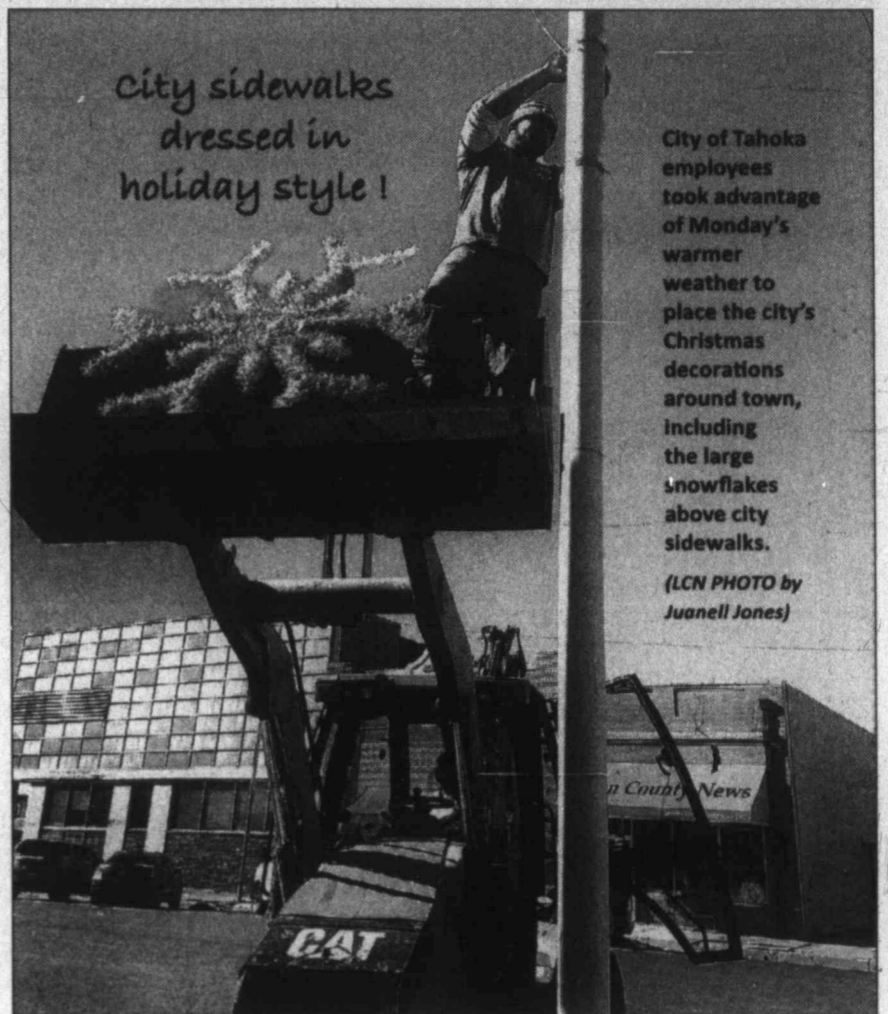
In Garza County I had established a much-needed "24-7 no refusal" blood search warrant program in the only county in the district without a hospital, that remains in effect today. As assistant district attorney and as district attorney, I have prosecuted many dangerous criminals. These prosecutions, not only having made a difference in the lives of victims and victim's families, but also protected other citizens by preventing further crime from being committed by serious and repeat offenders. In this term alone, six of these "serious" offenders that I have personally prosecuted were

sentenced to the equivalent of a life sentence.

I literally started from the ground up, with the people and for the people of our district. Over the last 10 years, I have made and cherished many relationships, both professional and personal. After much reflection of my journey, and over the accomplishments of the Office, and after visiting with friends, citizens, and officials from around the district, it is my pleasure to announce my intent to seek re-election.

I cannot over-emphasize how important experience is for this position. The district attorney is the most important position regarding the public safety of our citizens. It is not a position you wish to give to a candidate with little or no criminal law experience, or to a candidate with limited experience from 20 years ago. I respectfully ask for your vote and continued support in my bid for re-election in the March 1, 2016 Republican Primary, so that we may continue to pursue justice and security for our communities, as we have done together for the last 10 years.

Pol. Ad. Paid for by Michael Munk, Don Stephens, Treasurer



City sidewalks dressed in holiday style!

City of Tahoka employees took advantage of Monday's warmer weather to place the city's Christmas decorations around town, including the large snowflakes above city sidewalks.

(LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

DA race now has three candidates

by JUANELL JONES

A third candidate has filed for the District Attorney seat in the 106th Judicial District, and two candidates have filed for county positions.

Roxanne Cofer Cox added her name to the candidate slate for DA during the past week, according to the official Republican Party of Texas filing website. She joins Philip Mack Furlow and incumbent Michael Munk, all running on the Republican ticket, for the DA seat. The 106th Judicial District includes Lynn, Garza, Dawson and Gaines counties.

Filing locally during the past week, also on the Republican ticket, was Donna Willis, for another term as County Tax Assessor/Collector, and Matthew S. Woodley for Commissioner Precinct 1, according to John Baker, Lynn County Republican

Chairman.

Previously filing for local positions were Don Blair for another term as Pct. 3 Commissioner, and Abraham Vega filed for County Sheriff.

No one has filed locally on the Democratic ticket, according to County Party Chairman Heather Jester.

There are five county positions that are up for election, including the County Sheriff, County Attorney, County Tax Assessor-Collector, and Pct. 1 and Pct. 3 County Commissioners. All are four-year terms that will begin Jan. 1, 2017.

The filing period opened on Nov. 14 and continues through Dec. 14.

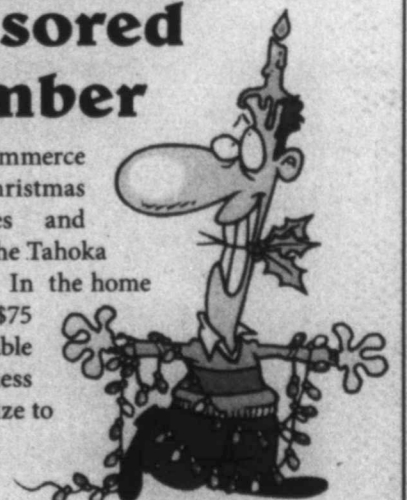
The Republican and Democratic Primary elections will be held in March 2016, with the winners from the primaries having a place on the ballot in the November General Election.

Christmas lighting contest sponsored by local Chamber

The Tahoka Area Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a "Deck-the-Town" Christmas Decorating contest for businesses and residences that will be on the route of the Tahoka Polar Express on Saturday, Dec. 19. In the home division, a Best Overall cash prize of \$75 will be awarded, as well as an Honorable Mention prize of \$25. In the business category, one business will receive a prize to display at their place of business.

Every business or residence on the route should have received a flier that designates their home or residence is on the route. The train will depart from Tahoka Donuts at 1515 S. 1st, turn north on Main Street and continue to N. 5th, where it will turn left (west) and go to Ave. L, turn left and travel south down Ave. L to N. 2nd, where it will turn right and continue east on N. 2nd all the way back to Main Street. From there, the train will travel south down Main Street all the way past the courthouse, turning right on South 2nd (beside Designs and Daisies) and go one block, turning right at the U.S. Post Office and continue past the parking lot of First National Bank, and then turning right on South 1st to disembark in front of Tahoka Donuts.

"We want Tahoka to shine, and we encourage everyone on the route to consider lighting their property with Christmas lights or some kind of lighted décor," said Juanell Jones, chairman of the Tahoka Polar Express event. "Actually, we encourage everyone in town to decorate, as people do enjoy seeing the lights in the Christmas season. The Chamber expects to extend the lighting contest to incorporate the whole town next year, with one division for the train route, and another division for the entire town - but for this year we are offering the lighting contest for those on the train route," she said.



Now that's **funny!**

"I read recipes the same way I read science fiction. I get to the end and I think, 'Well, that's not going to happen.'"

- ANONYMOUS

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Senior Citizen's LUNCH MENU

Dec. 7-11

Monday: Taco salad, refried beans, Spanish rice, broccoli & cauliflower salad, apricot halves

Tuesday: Baked chicken breast, baked potato w/ sour creams, peas, chocolate pudding.

Wednesday: Beef paprikash, mashed potatoes, seasoned broccoli, cantaloupe, honey bran bars

Thursday: Chicken tenders/ gravy, garlic mashed potatoes, turnip greens, mandarin oranges

Friday: Cheeseburger, potato wedges, tomato wedge salad, melon medley

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Obituaries



Nancy Ibarra

Funeral services for Nancy Ibarra, 31, of Wolfthorh will be at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 3, 2015 at New Life Baptist Church located at 818 W. Main Street in Wolfthorh with Rev. Domingo Ibarra Jr. officiating and Rev. Jesse Guerra assisting. Interment will follow at the City of Ropesville Cemetery under the direction of Calvillo Funeral Home and Chapel. Nancy died on Monday, Nov. 30.

She was born on July 13, 1984 to the late Domingo Sr. (1999) and Maria Ibarra. Nancy loved to sing and listen to Christian songs and attend church. She enjoyed writing.

She is preceded in death by her father, a sister Rebecca Ibarra in 2008 and a brother Sammy Ibarra in 2009.

Survivors include her mother Maria Ibarra of Wolfthorh; two brothers, Rev. Domingo Ibarra of New Home, and Danny Ibarra of Wolfthorh; five sisters, Naomi Covarrubias, Sarah Escamilla and Maria Garza, all of Lubbock, Maria Michaela Vega, and Martha Pledger all of Wolfthorh.

Billie "Tootie" Ledbetter

Billie "Tootie" (Smith) Ledbetter passed away on November 28, 2015 at her home in Del Rio. She was born November 16, 1946 in Lubbock, to the late Peggy Van Zandt and Rayford Smith.

Tootie grew up in Tahoka, and in 1964 married the love of her life Hulen. They moved to Carlsbad, NM where they lived for 40 years and raised their family. During her time there she enjoyed having coffee with friends, playing cards with her girls' group and participating in all of her kids' activities. She so much enjoyed spending time with her grandkids, who affectionately called her "Memaw". Tootie also spent many years as a clerk and salesperson at a janitorial supply company. In 2008 Tootie and Hulen retired and moved to Del Rio. She enjoyed fishing, riding around "the hood" in her red jitney, playing cards with friends and relaxing and



Winter storm... Winter weather in the form of freezing rain came thru Tahoka and surrounding areas over the Thanksgiving Holidays. Many trees throughout the city were damaged like this one located on North 3rd Street in Tahoka. Power outages were minimal from this storm.

drinking her Dr. Pepper.

Tootie is survived by her husband, Hulen; son, Rodney Ledbetter (Sheila); daughter, Laura Brown (Scott); grandchildren, Amy Ledbetter (Mike), Cameron Brown, Cody Brown and Madison Brown; great-granddaughter, Cami Castillo; brothers, Scot Smith (Debbie), Steve Smith (Elaine). In addition to her nieces and nephews, there are a number of other relatives, close friends and her guard dog "Little Girl".

A Memorial service will be held on Saturday, December 5, at 2:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in O'Donnell, with Rev. Jim Stephens officiating. Burial will be announced at a later date. Services are under the direction of G. W. Cox Memorial Funeral Home.

In Lieu of usual remembrances memorials can be made to West Texas Boys Ranch, 10223 Boys Ranch Road, San Angelo, Texas 76904-9989 or to a charity of your choice.

To share in Memories of Billie "Tootie" Ledbetter, please visit our website at www.gwcoxmemorialfuneralhome.com. (PAID)

Phebe K. Warner Club News

Phebe K Warner Club will serve chicken and dumplings at the Christmas Craft Show this Saturday, Dec. 5th. Come join us for shopping and fun.

The community Christmas Greetings donations are being accepted at the Tahoka First National Bank until Dec. 14.

Proceeds are to benefit the scholarship funds for a Lynn County senior.

Chamber plans Polar Express event Dec. 19th

Tahoka Area Chamber of Commerce will host the Tahoka Polar Express event on Saturday, Dec. 19. The Blue Weed Special train, provided by Leighton and Joan Knox and Wildcat Manufacturing, will take guests around portions of the town to see the Christmas lights. It's all free and open to the public, and will be held from 6:00-9:00 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 19.

The "train depot" will be at Tahoka Donuts, at 1515 South 1st, where guests will board the train and disembark afterwards. This year, boarding will be conducted by numbered tickets, which each guest will receive for free at the "ticket station" inside Tahoka Donuts. Each ride should take approximately 15 minutes, with the train taking the same route for each ride. Businesses and residences on the route have been invited to decorate their properties in a Christmas decorating contest that will be judged that night by Chamber members.

Refreshments will be provided to all guests, courtesy of Tahoka Donuts and the Chamber of Commerce. A crafts station and coloring sheets for children will be provided as children wait for the train. Santa Claus will be there to visit with children, and for photo opportunities (parents must bring their own cameras). Fun Christmas props for children and adults to use as they snap their own photos will also be available. Hot chocolate and hot apple cider will be served by the Chamber, with assistance from several volunteer Tahoka High School students, and live musical entertainment will be ongoing throughout the event.

Guests are asked to park their vehicles in the First National Bank parking lot across the street, or on the west side of the square, in order to keep the street in front of Tahoka Donuts open for the train.

Tahoka SCHOOL MENU

Dec. 7-13
Breakfast

Monday: Fruit Loops
Tuesday: Breakfast pizza
Wednesday: Cini Mini
Thursday: Morning Sausage Roll
Friday: Breakfast burrito

Lunch

Monday: Ham & Cheese Sandwich / BLT Hot Dog / Chicken nuggets
Tuesday: Pizza / Cheeseburger / Coney Dog
Wednesday: Pasta Primavera / Beef fingers / Grilled Cheese & tomato soup
Thursday: Hamburger / Chicken Tacos / Pizza
Friday: Cheesy Nachos / Orange Chicken w/ Rice / Turkey & Cheese Sandwich
Fresh fruit & vegetable bar available daily



Polar Express Route... Tahoka Area Chamber of Commerce President Blake Moore is pictured here with his children, Denton, Reese, and Eleanor as they put up Polar Express signs designating the route for the annual Tahoka Polar Express Train event to be held Dec. 19, beginning at 6 p.m. Tahoka Donuts will be the depot and guests will board the WTS&O Blueweed Special, provided by Leighton and Joan Knox, owners of Wildcat Mfg. The Tahoka Polar Express is free and open to anyone.

Christmas Craft Show!
Saturday
December 5th
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
at the
Life Enrichment Center
1717 Main Street - Tahoka
GREAT BOOTHS!!
Stop by for lunch - prepared by Phebe K Warner Club!

Happy Birthday!

Helen Bookman
~ December 1 ~
"96" Years Young!
We Love You Nannie!
Bennie, Jackie, Rhonda, Todd,
Jackie, Derrell, Arthur
Kyndle, Andre', Keilyn & Noah

Christmas Open House
We would like to invite all our friends and customers to our **Christmas Open House**
Thursday, December 10th
from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. in our Community Room
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County Harvest Festival
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Harvest Festival gives back...

Abbie Jackson, 2015 Lynn County Harvest Festival Queen, presents a \$1000 donation from the Harvest Festival to Bianca Baker for the Lynn County Pioneers Senior Citizens Center. Baker is director of the center.

(LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)



Christmas "disasters" make for fun memories!

Part of the wonder of Christmas comes with the sights, sounds, and smells of the season. They carry a certain nostalgia, allowing us to relive the magical moments of our favorite Christmas memories - and sometimes, our funniest memories involve a Christmas "disaster" or "aggravation."



If you've got a funny, disastrous or aggravating Christmas moment, share it with The Lynn County News! Take a few moments and relive the magic, and share it with our readers. Please send by email (LynnCoNews@poka.com) or mail (P.O. Box 1170, Tahoka, TX 79373) or Private Message us on our facebook page. We will print as many as we have space for in our Christmas edition, but we must have them by Dec. 18th.

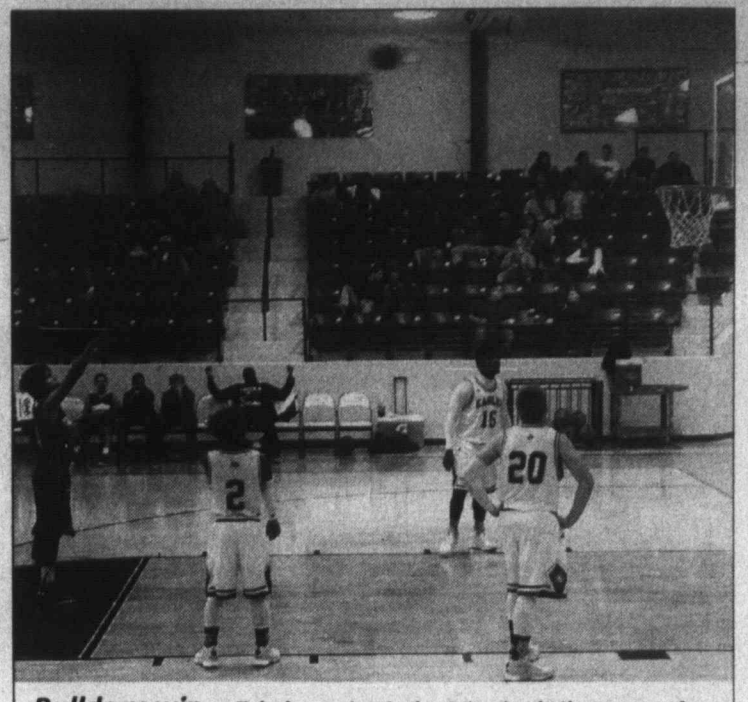
we opened the box, there were numbered pieces everywhere, with the wheels as the only recognizable parts. What started as a fun project in the garage about 10 p.m. ended in bleary-eyed muttering and progressively un-Christmas-like attitudes three hours later. By 1 a.m. we were down to the finishing touches, and the last piece we needed was the bicycle seat - but there was no seat in the box! We looked everywhere, but alas, someone failed to add the seat to the box.

One of my favorite (aggravated) memories: Putting together the first bicycle for our 5-year-old son! Of course, we waited until Christmas Eve to even start the project, thinking we would just be adding the wheels and handlebars. Lo and behold when

What to do now? Our kid was gonna want to ride the bicycle Christmas morning, which is pretty hard to do without a seat. After some panic, some thought (and some very Grinch-like comments about the person who packed the parts of that bicycle), we found flashlights, went outside and down to the cellar, where we found my (very) old Schwinn bicycle, and hauled it up out of the cellar to the garage. By now, my husband and I were muttering non-stop, each of us carrying on a soliloquy of diatribes that we both hoped Santa could not hear. We pulled off that faded blue seat and attached it to the shiny new red bicycle, stuck a bow on it, pushed it next to the Christmas tree, and dragged our raggedy selves off to bed.

Christmas morning came, and Casey, our son, lit up with joy when he saw that bicycle! He never noticed that faded blue seat. I wish we had kept that bicycle, just for the memories it brings.

- Juanell Jones, Publisher



Bulldogs win ... Tahoka senior Carlos Morales (#4) puts up a free throw for the Bulldogs in their 61-45 win over Roosevelt on Nov. 24. Morales led all scoring with 38 points for the night.

Santa's Land Drive-Thru Christmas Park now open weekends, and Christmas week

Santa's Land Drive-Thru Christmas Park in Tahoka is open every Friday, Saturday and Sunday night in December, as well as every night the week of Christmas (December 20-27). The park opens at 6:30 p.m., with lights out no earlier than 10:00 p.m. If Santa is present he departs at 9:00 p.m.



visits Bill and Frances Chancy.

To make sure Santa will be present on any certain night, call (806) 891-1291 or check their facebook page at www.facebook.com/SANTASLAND 79373.

The park is located at South 11th and Ave. O, just off Hwy. 87 on the southern edge of Tahoka. A turnoff sign is posted on the highway to direct visitors to the park. Admission is free, but donations will be accepted to help keep the lights on.

The park includes four acres of land, thousands of lights, 100-plus wooden cut outs, 15 blow-ups, lots of Christmas trees, and decorated antique cars. Visitors may stay inside their cars or get out and mingle while enjoying a warm fire and some hot chocolate.

"We would love to invite you to stop by and see the lights and Santa and Mrs. Claus, and please bring your camera," in-

TDCJ Correctional Officer Screening set for December 8 in Lamesa

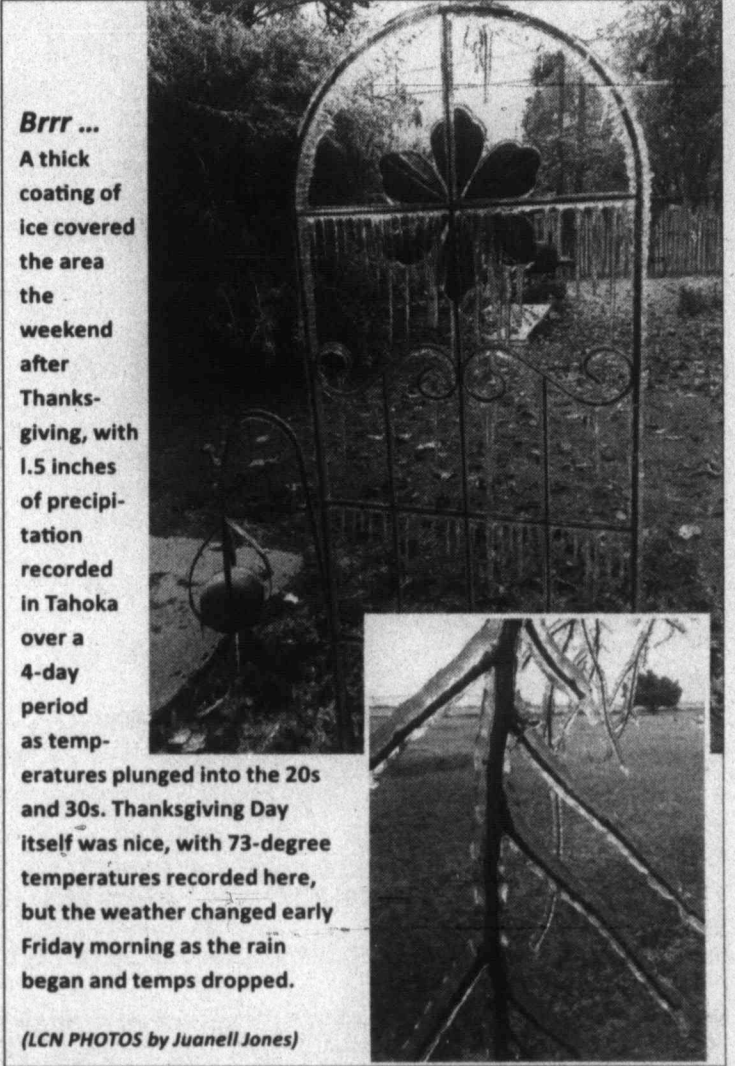
Current hiring opportunities and career benefits for Correctional Officers with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice will be presented at a hiring seminar on Tuesday, Dec. 8 at 7:30 a.m. at the Smith Unit located at 1313 County Road 19 in Lamesa.

A recruiter will explain the current pay plan, outline employee benefits and retirement program, explain duties and requirements of a Correctional Officer and answer questions.

TDCJ will be conducting pre-employment testing and interviews for Correctional

Officer applicants in Lamesa. Schedule testing by going to www.tdcj.texas.gov and follow prompts: 1. Select employment; 2. Select CO Pre-Employment testing; 3. Choose test location and date; 4. Download and complete the employment application forms. Bring completed applications forms and all required documents to your scheduled appointment. Military Veterans are exempt from the CO pre-employment test.

For more information, call (936) 437-4098, or visit the web site at www.tdcj.state.tx.us



Brrr ... A thick coating of ice covered the area the weekend after Thanksgiving, with 1.5 inches of precipitation recorded in Tahoka over a 4-day period as temperatures plunged into the 20s and 30s. Thanksgiving Day itself was nice, with 73-degree temperatures recorded here, but the weather changed early Friday morning as the rain began and temps dropped.

(LCN PHOTOS by Juanell Jones)

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Police Report ...

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man on a warrant for child support during the past week.

The Lynn County Sheriff's communications office handled 300 calls during the month of November, including 118 for the county, 92 for the City of Tahoka, 15 for City of O'Donnell, 39 for animal control, 25 for Lynn County EMS, and 11 calls for the Tahoka Volunteer Fire Dept. The jail housed 43 inmates during the past week, including 16 for Lynn County, 24 for Ector County, and 3 for Dawson.

Operation Gratitude

... New Home ISD second grade students recently led a community-wide effort to donate to our troops through Operation Gratitude, and are pictured here with the boxes they filled. Led by teachers Kelly Fillingim and Belinda Boren, the second grade wrote and collected cards and letters, and also collected money, hygiene items, snacks, and more to send to deployed troops. The project began when the class studied the meaning of Veterans Day in social studies. The community donated enough to fill eight large boxes to be sent to troops.



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How bad is it

... to feed your dog grapes?

Can dogs eat grapes? Absolutely not. Grapes (and raisins) are toxic to dogs, and they should never be allowed to eat them. Why, you ask? Well, veterinarians aren't quite sure. But it has been proven that the fruit can cause kidney failure in dogs—a very serious condition that can be fatal. As little as one grape per pound of body weight is enough to cause an issue in some dogs. Symptoms of kidney failure include vomiting, excessive drinking, and lethargy. Eventually, urine production halts and tremors start. C Another weird fact about this toxicity: It occurs in certain dogs (but we're not sure why some are affected and not others) and has never been seen in cats. What do you do if your dog eats a grape or raisin? Call your veterinarian immediately and tell them the amount of grapes your dog ate and how much your dog weighs. If it just happened, they may suggest you bring him in to induce vomiting and offer activated charcoal. A dog demonstrating signs of kidney failure (mentioned above) should be taken to veterinarian right away—more intensive care may be required.

Bottom line?
Super bad!

NEWS from the Library

CITY-COUNTY LIBRARY
1717 Main St. • Tahoka TX
(inside the Life Enrichment Center)

Bow making class

We only have a few more spots available for the Bow Making Class. Sign up today and learn to make bows for your Christmas wreaths, trees or presents.

There will also be a present wrapping demonstration to show you how to get a perfect wrapped present. The City-County Library adult Bow Making Class will be held Monday, Dec. 7, from 5-6 pm. Call the Library at 561-4050 or come by 1717 Main St. to reserve your spot and get information on size of ribbon to bring to the class.

Santa letters

The City-County Library will be selling letters from Santa for \$5 each. The Library has five different letters to choose from. Each letter comes on Santa's letterhead and a Rudolph red envelope ready for mailing.

City-County Library Christmas Open House

The City-County Library will be hosting a Christmas Open House Thursday, Dec. 10, from 5-7 pm. The Library elves have been busy planning and getting ready to decorate Santa's Workshop. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be making an appearance at the Open House. This will be a Red Carpet Event so bring cameras to get that perfect picture for your Christmas memories or turn those pictures into your Christmas cards.

Stop by Mrs. Claus' Kitchen where there is always something good cooking. Mrs. Claus will be serving homemade North Pole cookies along with her famous Cotton Candy Punch and Santa's Dreamsicle Punch. Enjoy the same tasty treats that Mrs. Claus serves Santa and the North Pole Elves. Get your pictures taken with Mrs. Claus when you stop by to get a tasty treat.



Children's book author, Jo Burns, will be at the library Dec. 10.

The Library would like to thank Santa's Land Drive Thru Park for sponsoring Santa's Workshop and Mrs. Claus' Kitchen.

While at the Open House stop by and register for one of our two door prizes. There will be two door prize drawings. All adults and children that attend the Open House can sign up for a prize package, one for adults and one for children, including a \$100.00 Gift card donated by 106th District Attorney Michael Munk. Time of drawings to be announced and you must be present to win.

Children's book signing event

West Texas children's book author, Jo Burns, will also be at the Library's Christmas Open House. Jo Burns is the author of "Pookie and Her Polka-Dotted Socks".

She lives in Lubbock, with her husband, Jerry. When Jo was a young girl, she loved using her imagination to tell stories to her younger siblings. Throughout her teaching career, Jo has shared many of these stories in her classroom. When Jo is not writing or teaching, she enjoys spending time with her children and grandchildren. Pookie and her Polka-Dotted World is to be released in 2016.

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