

### Lady Leopards win Bi-District, but bow out at Area game

New Home's Lady Leopards ended their season last week in Class 1A Reg. 1 UIL basketball Area playoffs, after a loss to Spur put an end to their playoff run.

The Lady Leopards were the District Runnerup, and beat Petersburg 48-41 for the Bi-District title before moving on to the Area round last Friday. The girls faced Spur at the LCU Rip Griffin center in Lubbock, with Spur taking the 50-35 win. Leading scorers for New Home were DD Dominguez with 17 points and Sydni Salvato with 8.

In the Bi-District win over Petersburg, DD Dominguez and Kyley Gill each had 15 points.

On the boys side, the New Home Leopards are the District Champions, drawing a bye in the bi-district round of playoffs and advancing to the Area round in Class 1A Reg. 1, where they will face the winner between Valley and Benjamin.



### Bi-District Champions ...

New Home Lady Leopards were Bi-District Champions, beating Petersburg 48-41 for the trophy. Team members are, from left, Katherine Barrington, Brook Tyson, DD Dominguez, Jacie Fowler, Sydni Salvato, Danielle Torres, Celee Smith, Savanna Lehman and Tehya Gardner. In back from left are Head Coach Shane Moore, Assistant Coach Sha Moore and Kyley Gill.

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## Lady Eagles continue in playoff run

O'Donnell's Lady Eagles were District Champions in Class 1A Reg. 2, drawing a bye in the bi-district round to advance to Area playoffs last week, where they easily beat Buena Vista, 77-28. The Lady Eagles were in Quarterfinal playoffs this week, scheduled to play Tuesday night in Big Spring against Hermleigh.

## Live music slated at Youth Outreach event Wednesday

Live music from the band F3 will be featured at the Youth Outreach event slated for 6 p.m. Wednesday, March 1 at the Tahoka High School auditorium. Sponsored by Tahoka First Baptist Church and Sweet Street Baptist Church, the free event is open to all area youth in grades 6-12 and their parents. Hot dogs will be served immediately afterwards.

Did you know ...  
• A flamingo can eat only when its head is upside down.

## What's Outside

NWS official readings for Tahoka

| Date   | High | Low | Precip. |
|--------|------|-----|---------|
| Feb 14 | 39   | 33  | 1.10"   |
| Feb 15 | 40   | 32  |         |
| Feb 16 | 57   | 32  |         |
| Feb 17 | 64   | 34  |         |
| Feb 18 | 72   | 40  |         |
| Feb 19 | 74   | 41  |         |
| Feb 20 | 71   | 40  | 0.02"   |

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

Total Precip for Jan: 2.51"  
Total Precip for Feb: 1.16"  
Total Precip. for 2017: 3.67"

## Battery thefts reported in Wilson

A rash of thefts in Wilson continued last week, with Texas Star Coop Gin reporting last Thursday that eight batteries were stolen off of module trucks at their Wilson plant, and on Friday, Billy Bishop reported that someone had stolen four batteries off cotton strippers he owned. Investigations continue on these cases.

Two Wilson men, brothers age 37 and 20, were arrested on charges of criminal trespass last Thursday at a vacant house in Wilson, and other charges may be pending as Lynn County Sheriff's Office continues with an investigation this week.

Vandalism was reported at T-Bar Country Club on Monday morning, Feb. 20, reporting that persons unknown had driven a vehicle over the greens, damaging the greens and breaking flags, sometime Sunday night.

Tahoka Police arrested a Lubbock male, 31, who was walking on South 2nd Street at 1:50 a.m. Monday. When questioned, the suspect admitted to carrying drugs, and was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces.

Police also arrested a 22-year-old Lubbock male about 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 18, after receiving a call about a reckless driver coming into Tahoka on US 87. The driver exited at a convenience store in Tahoka, and police stopped him for questioning, arresting him on charges of driving while license invalid with previous conviction, as well as for possession of drug paraphernalia.

Lynn County Jail held 41 inmates last week, including 25 for Ector County, and 16 for Lynn County. Local charges included two for criminal trespass, one for assault, and one for driver's license suspended.

## TISD administrative contracts renewed; Board hears wind energy presentation

Administrative contracts for Tahoka Independent School District principals and athletic director were renewed in action taken by the TISD Board of Trustees last Thursday. The board approved the extension of administrative contracts for High School Principal Jeff Perez and Elementary Principal Christa Ritchey through the 2018-19 school year, and approved a 2-year term contract for Middle School Principal Kelly Kieth through the 2018-19 school year. The board also approved the extension of a dual assignment contract for Athletic Director Brandon Hopper through the 2018-19 school year.

In other business, the Board heard a presentation from Eric Barnett with Lincoln Clean Energy and Fred Stormer with Underwood Law Firm regarding the possible Chapter 313 agreement application that Lincoln will file with the school district. The board agreed to hire Under-

wood Law Firm as special legal counsel to handle all aspects of the impending Chapter 313 agreement application.

"Lincoln Clean Energy will need to initiate a Chapter 313 (from Texas Tax Code) application agreement with the school district that will essentially give them a tax abatement," Superintendent Dr. George McFarland explained to *The News*. "They anticipate presenting their application with the district at our March 9 board meeting. That application will go back and forth between legal counsel for both parties and then ultimately be sent to the state comptroller for approval. The September-November period is the expected timeline to have a 313 agreement in place," he said.

Dr. McFarland said that Lincoln Clean Energy anticipates starting to build in the range of 120 wind turbines beginning next spring - all of it in TISD (See TAHOKA ISD, page 3)

## A great community

I saw Tahoka at its best last Tuesday. It was Valentine's night, and I watched a neighborhood, and our community emergency services, come together in support of one of our citizens in need. I saw members of the Tahoka Volunteer Fire Department, Tahoka Police Dept., Lynn County Sheriff's Office, a DPS Trooper, and many concerned neighbors come to the aid of Dorothy Norwood, a senior citizen who lives on N. 7th Street, when she discovered smoke filling her home and called for help.

I happened to be visiting my sister and brother-in-law, who live two houses down from Mrs. Norwood, when we saw the fire trucks with lights flashing slow to a stop in the neighborhood, and firemen gathering at her home. We grabbed our coats and went outside, and could smell the smoke in the air. Fire Chief Steve Sanders and Tahoka Police Officer Jeff Parker were gently leading Mrs. Norwood away from her home, and we, along with DPS Trooper Wanda Rainey who lived in the neighborhood, rushed to see if we could help. It was cold and dark, and Mrs. Norwood was slowly making her way down the sidewalk on her walker, so we invited her to come into my sister's home.

The Fire Chief asked her, again, if she was the only person in the house. "Yes," she stated, but then added with a quaver, "But I have a cat. Please find her."

Kent and Vondell Elliott welcomed Mrs. Norwood into their home. She sat at the dining room table, appearing shocked at the escalating turn of events, but graciously greeting her neighbors who offered their home and compassion. It wasn't long before her daughter, Janet Harvick, arrived to be with her mother and wait for the firefighters to let them know what was happening at her home.

Other neighbors called to offer assistance if needed. The firemen found Mrs. Norwood's purse in her home and brought it to us, asking if someone could find her car keys and move her vehicle away from the house. The VFD squad worked quickly and professionally, and it was apparent that they were well-trained in how to assess and contain the scene. Lynn County Deputy Jerry Dee Franklin stood watch in the front yard, ready to assist if needed.

It wasn't long before Officer Parker knocked on the door with good news, bringing "Angel," her cat, in a pet carrier and placing her on the table in front of a grateful woman.

"I think it took several firemen to surround her and catch her, but she's okay," Parker told her with a smile. He stayed to observe Mrs. Norwood for a moment, asking her how she felt, if she had any breathing problems and said he would be glad to call an ambulance if she felt unwell at all. He showed great compassion and concern, and was very gentle with her.

Fire Chief Sanders checked in with Mrs. Norwood several times, treating her with gentle respect and letting her know they were looking for the source of the fire. At one point, he came and told her they believed the fire was coming from underneath the laundry room

## Firemen respond to house fire here; law officers, neighbors step up to help



floor, and had to cut a large hole in the floor to get to the fire. He came back later, bringing a small box-like heating unit that was black and charred from the flames, taking the time to show her that this was apparently the cause of the fire - an electric heater that was underneath the floor of the pier and beam foundation. It looked very old, and the Chief said he had never seen anything like it. Mrs. Norwood was not aware that it had been underneath the floor, and the Chief said most likely it had been there since the house was built many years ago.

He told her the flames had ignited insulation and was burning pretty strong underneath her floor, but that they were able to put it out quickly and save the house, once they discovered the source.

"You are extremely lucky," Chief Sanders told Mrs. Norwood. "If you had been asleep and not smelled the smoke, this fire could have been disastrous. Your smoke alarm was not working

(with an outdated battery), and we are very glad that you smelled smoke and called 9-1-1," he added.

He explained to her that all of her electrical, gas and water utilities had been cut off and that she could not go back into the home that night, and that the firemen were using fans to ventilate the smoke from the house. They would close up and lock the house when they were finished, he said. Mrs. Norwood accepted the news bravely, and I was impressed with her stoicism in the face of adversity.

Jimmy and Judy Woodard, neighbors on the other side of Mrs. Norwood's home, showed up about that time, saying they had just gotten home and were concerned about their neighbor. Woodard, who was a former longtime fireman on the Tahoka VFD, visited with Mrs. Norwood and her daughter, and suggested that they begin making a list of items (See A GREAT COMMUNITY, page 2)



Now that's funny! " If you steal from one author, it's plagiarism; if you steal from many, it's research. " - WILSON MIZNER



### WILSON COMMUNITY NEWS

by Bonnie S. Schwertner

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Those of us from Wilson ISD's distant past have wonderfully fond memories. I'm being totally honest in saying that there were years of decline, but not due to the wonderful people and students of the community. Older news is not kind, and certainly does not reflect what is happening today.

Having taught for 28 years, and worked tirelessly on both campus and district improvement committees, I was anxious to make sense of the negative stories I read online. Student success was my life's work. Positive school climate was a constant goal.

I was urged to run for the school board, and welcomed the chance. While picking up my application a little over a year ago, I had a chance to visit with Jerry Burger, school superintendent. Not only did I get a very positive feel for him as an administrator, but I felt a kinship with regard to our missions as educators. He saw, and continues to see, great potential in our district.

Mr. Burger and Mr. Richard Soliz, Principal, have earned my respect and admiration. I'm witnessing the positive steps being taken to bring Wilson schools back to leaders in education. I'm not sure I've ever encountered such dedication; I do know it is not commonplace.

Students are rising to expectations, both academically and in behavior. Great new opportunities are



Wilson ISD Teacher of the Month is Veronica Vasquez, and Employee of the Month is Andrea Arellano.



Lauren Llanas



Anthony Calsonch



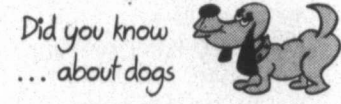
Bailey Steen



Leslie Pantoja

opening up, some of which will be announced in the near future.

This probably sounds like an advertisement for Wilson ISD, but it's just great news from a WHS grad of 1975. I want to erase the bad press of the past, and assure you that the "glory days" are fast approaching.



- Dogs are all direct descendants of wolves
• Wolves and dogs can mate to produce fertile offspring

## THS baseball season opens; local tournament set March 2-4

The Tahoka High School Baseball squad opened the 2017 last week with an 8-4 loss to Denver City. The Dogs will travel this week to Post to play in the Norm Cash Clash, and will then take on Trinity Christian next Monday in Lubbock at 5 pm. The Bulldogs will host the annual Tahoka Tournament on March 2-4.

"We will have 17 games in three days with the Tahoka PTO running the concession stand. Come out to the ballpark those days and help support our baseball kids as well as our PTO," said Coach Stephen Overstreet.

Coach Overstreet is looking for a good season this year, as he has the entire team from last year returning, minus one who moved away at the end of last year.

"We have been talking a lot about how in order to get to Round Rock in June we must embrace and 'Love the Process' (this year's theme) that it's going to take to make that happen. These guys are still very bitter about the 13-12 loss we had to Lockney last year in the playoffs, and I think that's going to push them a little harder," said Overstreet.

"In last week's opening game, Ruben Quinonez led the way with two very big hits that helped lead to him scoring a run as well. John Quinonez, Tristen Tipton, Brayden Castellon, Grant Tekell, and Kevin White all chipped in with a hit apiece to also set up 3 of our 4 total runs. John took the loss on the mound but had a very solid pitching performance once he got settled in. With the UIL passing a pitch count limit for all of high school baseball this season, pitching is going to be the name of the game even more so than before," he added.

### Junior Varsity

Tahoka Junior Varsity also took on Denver City's Varsity and came up short.

"Not many 2A teams play 4A Varsity's but this group never batted an eye," said Coach Overstreet. "This wasn't the ideal situation for these kids but it allowed them to play and I can tell you I was super proud of the effort. This group is made up of freshmen and sophomores and they are still in the learning phase of what we are trying to do. I have no doubt with the character and work ethic of these kids Tahoka baseball is in good hands for years to come."

"Manuel Soto and Peyton Lowdermilk did an excellent job at the plate each picking up big hits. We also had some very good pitching performances from Nicodemus Ayala, Tristen Stice, Nate Resendez, and Joey Herrera," added the coach.

## Haskell ends playoff run for Tahoka

The Tahoka Lady Bulldogs finished their season last Friday night in the Area round of Class 2A Reg. 1 UIL basketball playoffs, after Haskell handed them a 64-43 loss to end their playoff run. Coach Kyle Johnson's squad ended their 2016-17 season with a final record of 15-14.

The Lady Bulldogs were the District Runnerup, and won the Bi-District title with a 63-33 win over McCamey. At the Area game, Haskell led by 3 after the first period, 16-13, and added another 18 points while holding Tahoka to 12 to lead 34-25 at the half. They held the Lady Bulldogs to a mere 8 points in the third period while adding another 15, and again outscored them in the final period for the 64-43 win.

Natalie Stice led scoring with 13, Serena Ayala and Tanya Stroope had 7, Olivia Hammonds 5, and Yuli Villegas 3.

On the boys side, the Tahoka Bulldogs had a chance to make the playoffs last week, forced into a three-way mini-tournament with Morton and Seagraves for the chance at fourth place in district, but lost 64-60 to Morton in overtime last Thursday, ending their season.

### TAHOKA TOURNAMENT

Thursday, March 2nd

8:00 - Levelland 1 vs. New Deal

10:00 - Levelland 2 vs. New Home

12:00 - Olton vs. New Deal

2:00 - Sundown vs. Denver City

4:00 - Sundown vs. New Home

6:00 - Tahoka vs. Olton

Friday, March 3rd

8:00 - Sundown vs. Levelland 2

10:00 - New Home vs. Denver City

12:00 - New Deal vs. Tahoka

2:00 - Tahoka vs. Levelland 1

Saturday, March 4th

8:00 - Levelland 1 vs. Sundown

10:00 - Levelland 2 vs. Denver City

12:00 - Olton vs. Levelland 1

2:00 - New Deal vs. New Home

4:00 - Olton vs. Levelland 2

6:00 - Tahoka vs. Denver City

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## Tahoka ISD Board Report...

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school district boundaries south of US 380 and east of US 87.

"The preliminary estimates are that this would increase our taxable property value in the range of about \$400 million," added Dr. McFarland.

Trustees approved a resolution to form a joint election agreement with the City of Tahoka for the May 6, 2017 school board election, and approved an order to call an election for places 3 and 4 for the TISD Board of Trustees to be held on May 6.

The board adopted a resolution stating its position in opposition of the A-F Accountability system adopted by the state, and also approved the District of Innovation plan for the school district.

The 84th Legislative Session in House Bill 1842 passed into law the concept of the District of Innovation, which created Texas Education Code chapter 12A. The law allows traditional independent school districts to access many of the flexibilities afforded to Texas' open enrollment charter schools. Consequently, Tahoka ISD has created a plan that district leaders believe will allow them to innovatively reach the values outlined within the district's visioning document titled W.I.N. 2025-A vision of Service and Hope. With a focus on the 4 C's (Community, Character, Civic Involvement, and Continuous

Improvement) the TISD Innovation plan will allow fulfillment of the district mission of serving the needs of TISD students so that they may be successful in learning.

The board approved allowing Superintendent Dr. George McFarland to seek an attendance day waiver from TEA for a low attendance day; and several policy updates were approved.

Prior to the business agenda, trustee Clay Taylor recognized Lyntegar Electric Cooperative, represented by Greg Henley, for their willingness to partner with the district in TISD operations.

The board heard reports from the campus principals. Principals recognized outstanding employees for the month of January and those teachers recognized students they had selected as follows: Elementary- teacher Sonia Colon and students Katie Whitley, Natalie Whitley, Anaya De La Cruz, Hector Villegas, and Boston Gonzales; Middle School- teacher Brandon Brigrance and student Ethan Alvarado; High School- teacher Ben Freitag and student Alicia Broun.

Dr. Cathy Box, Board President, led the meeting, with trustees Jim Bingham, Scott Dimak, Drew Stone, and Clay Taylor in attendance. Trustees Doug Green and Jon Luna were absent.

The next board meeting will be March 9, at 6:30 p.m. in the Harvick Educational Building.

## LEGAL NOTICES

### NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE (REAL ESTATE)

BY VIRTUE OF A certain Execution issued out of the District Court of Lynn County, Texas, in a certain cause numbered 15-07-07214. On the 5th day of January A.D. 2017, styled: Lubbock County Hospital District D/B/A University Medical Center vs. Lester Gicklhorn in his capacity as independent executor of the estate of Curtis Lee Gicklhorn, to me, as Deputy Jones directed and delivered, I have levied upon this 15th day of February A.D. 2017 and will between the hours of 10:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. at approximately 10:00 AM on the first Tuesday in April A.D. 2017, it being the 4th of said month, at the Courthouse Door of said Lynn County, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all right, title and interest, if any, which the estate of Curtis Lee Gicklhorn had on the 15th day of February A.D. 2017, or at any time thereafter, of and in the following described property:

Parcel #4838 Legal Being 110 acres of land off of the South side of the East One-Half (E/2) of survey No. Five (5) Block D-23, Public School Land, Lynn County, Texas as is described by metes and bounds in a warranty deed from J.F. Oliver, et ux to A.F. Gicklhorn on October 26, 1946, of record in Vol. 93, page 154 of the Deed Records of Lynn County, Texas, reference to which is here made

Parcel #4851 Legal the North One-half (N/2) of the East One-half (E/2) of section No. 6, Block D-23, Abstract No. 832, Public School Lands, Patent No. 461, Vol. 19-A, dated September 13, 1923, Lynn County, Texas.

Parcel #4841 Legal Being 160 acres out of League Two (2), Of the Wilson County School of Four Leagues as the same is described by metes and bounds in an Oil and Gas lease form Arthur F. Gicklhorn, et x, ut Joe A. Noake, dated September 18, 1928, of record in Vol. 71 page 306 of the Deed Records of Lynn County, Texas, reference to which is here made.

Parcel #12888 Legal in Lynn County, Texas, and being the North 390 acres of the following described tract land. BEGINNING at a stake in public road for the N.E. corner of a 160 acre tract heretofore conveyed to H.J. Bfod, for the N.W. corner of this tract: THENCE East 1108.7 varas to stake set for N.W. corner of a 200 acre tract heretofore conveyed to R.J. Maaeker by William Green; THENCE South 3374.6 varas to a stake set in the South boundary line of League No. 3, for the S.E. corner of this tract; THENCE West 1108.7 varas, with the south boundary line of League No. 3, to stake set for the S.W. corner of this tract; THENCE North 3374.6 varas, to the PLACE OF BEGINNING.

Parcel #4839 Legal Being 232.11 acres, more or less, of land out of League no. 3, of the Wilson County School Land, Lynn County, Texas and being the same 1 and described in a deed from J.H. Nessel et ux, and Henry W. Nessel et ux, to M.E. Wolters and Emilie Wolters, dated January 23, 1931, of record in Vol. 51, at page 34, of the Deed Records of Lynn County, Texas, to which deed and the recordation thereof, reference is hereby made for all purposes; SAVE AND EXCEPT, a 4.827-acre tract, previously conveyed by the grantor herein to the City of Wilson, as shown by a Warranty Deed dated February 25, 1963, of record in Vol. 162 at page 256, of the Deed Records of Lynn County, Texas.

Parcel #4837 Legal 133.18 acres of land, more or less, of land out of League No. Three (3), of Wilson County School Land of Four Leagues, situated in Lynn County, Texas described by metes and bounds as follows: BEGINNING as stake set 30 feet south from the Southwest corner, of a 200 acre tract of land conveyed to Rudy Maaeker by Wm. Green, for the Northwest corner of this tract: THENCE East 1071 vrs. to a stake set 30 ft. South from the Southeast corner of a 200 acre tract for the Northeast corner of this tract, and the Northwest corner of a 106.11 acre tract conveyed to Louis Shamblek by Wm. Green; THENCE South with the West boundary line of the said Louis Shamblek 106.11 acre tract to a distance of 702 vrs. to a stake set for the Southeast corner of this tract, and the Southwest corner of the said Shamblek tract; THENCE West 1071 vrs. to a stake set for the Southwest corner of this tract; THENCE North 702 vrs. to the place of beginning, containing 133.18 acres of land, more or less. SAVE AND EXCEPT Grantors reserve unto themselves one-half of all the oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under or that may be produced therefrom, together with the right of ingress and egress

Parcel #4848 Legal a tract of land out of tract No. Six (6), William D. Green Subdivision of League 3, Wilson County School Land, Lynn County, Texas, and being more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit: BEGINNING at a point which is 340' North of a railroad spike set for the Southeast corner of Tract No. six (6), William D. Green Subdivision of League No. 3, Wilson County School Land, for the Southeast and beginning corner of this tract; THENCE, North, 367.12 feet to a 3/8" iron rod set for the Northeast corner of this tract, whence, the Northeast corner of League 3 bears North, 3818.44 feet; THENCE, West 1540.04 feet to a 3/8" iron rod set for the Northwest corner of this tract; THENCE South 707.12 feet to a 1/2" iron pipe found for the Southwest corner of a 160 acre tract and the Southwest corner of this tract; THENCE East, 1240.05 feet to a point in the South boundary line of Tract No. Six (6); THENCE, North, 340' feet parallel with the East boundary line of said Tract No. Six (6) for an inside corner of this tract; THENCE, East, 300' feet parallel with the South boundary line of said Tract No. Six (6), to the place of BEGINNING.

Said property is levied on as the property of Lester Gicklhorn and will be sold to satisfy the judgment for 292,348.58 Dollars.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND on this 15th day of February A.D. 2017. Abraham Vega, Sheriff Lynn County, Texas /s/ Deputy Jordan Jones

### JOINT NOTICE OF SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF LYNN

BY VIRTUE OF ORDERS OF SALE DATED the 2nd day of February, 2017, and issued pursuant to judgment decrees of the District Court of Lynn County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in the hereinafter numbered and styled causes, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on the 2nd day of February, 2017, seized, levied upon, and will on the 7th day of March, 2017, at the Lynn County Courthouse, 1501 S. 1st, Tahoka, Texas, at 10:00 a.m. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, as provided for by the TEXAS PROPERTY TAX CODE.

All of the following properties being located in Lynn County, Texas and each property being more particularly described on an instrument recorded in the Volume and Page reference (V/P) or document number of the Deed Records, Lynn County, Texas. The approximate property addresses reflected herein are the addresses on the tax records and may or may not be completely accurate.

Table with columns: PROP #, CAUSE #, STYLE, PROP DESCRIPTION, ADDRESS, ACCT #. Lists 10 properties for sale.

This sale will be conducted to satisfy the judgment(s) for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interests due on the properties described herein, and for all costs of court and sale.

I do hereby verify that true and correct copies of the foregoing Joint Notice of Sale have been delivered by United States Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, and by regular mail, to each of the Defendants named in each of the numbered and styled causes.

DATED the 2nd day of February, 2017, at Tahoka, Texas

ABRAHAM VEGA Sheriff, Lynn County, Texas

You may contact the attorney for the taxing units at (325) 672-4870.

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**Lynn County Farm Bureau**

**Letters to the Editor**

**So great to live in Tahoka!**

It is so great to live in Tahoka. One of the best benefits is our Volunteer Firemen. These men volunteer by giving of their time to perfect their skills to be ready when we have an emergency and need help.

A perfect example was Tuesday night when my sweet next door neighbor had the misfortune of finding a fire in the floor of her utility room. With speed the firemen arrived and went to work in extinguishing the fire by containing the damage to mainly the floor of the room. The neighbor was safely assisted to a neighbor's home until the fire was extinguished. They obtained medication, night clothes, and items for her to be able to stay at her daughter's home. She could not return to her home.

The Tahoka Volunteer Fire Department once again responded and professionally came to the aid of a need that could have otherwise been an even greater disaster. We all owe these guys a pat on the back for the job they do. Help me as we say: "THANKS MEN!"

-- Jimmy Woodard

*'Did you know' trivia...*

• John Quincy Adams and Herbert Hoover both had pet alligators. Calvin Coolidge had two lions, a wallaby and a pygmy hippopotamus.



**Bi-district win ...** The New Home Lady Leopards beat Petersburg 48-41 for the Bi-District title last week. Pictured here for New Home are Jacie Fowler (11) and Katherine Barrington (15).

**THS powerlifters bring home medals**

The Tahoka Powerlifting team lifted last Thursday in Sundown and had another great performance, bringing home 6 medals and 9 of 13 lifters placing in the Top 10.

"These kids have continued to get stronger and each week keep meeting personal best in totals. I have seen so much improvement from these kids and I know with them all being young the best is still to come," said Coach Stephen Overstreet.

The following individuals brought home medals. Julian Cotto - 2nd 165, Alexander Herevia -

3rd 165, Matthew Diaz - 4th 165, Brayden Castillon - 3rd 181, Ruben Quinonez - 3rd 220, Corbin Escobedo - 2nd 275.

Nicodemus Ayala, Blake Harmon, and Dawson Glover all placed as well. Currently Brayden Castillon and Ruben Quinonez both sit 8th in the Region and will qualify for the Regional Meet in Sundown on March 11th.

The last meet is this week in Brownfield on Thursday starting at 5 p.m. in the indoor just south of the football field.

**News from the Library**  
CITY-COUNTY LIBRARY  
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**Bunny Party**

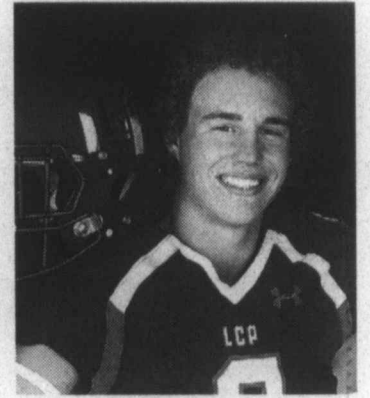
The City-County Library is sponsoring bunnies from Whitley Acres Exotic Ranch and Stables. Children of all ages are welcome to come pet, hold, and play with fluffy adorable bunnies. The date is Weds., March 15, from 10:30-11:30 a.m., during many Lynn County students spring break. There will be no Story Time.

**WiFi changes**

Free WiFi is available at the City-County Library. Come into the Library during business hours to get the password.

**Library closed 2-28**

The Library will be closed Tues., Feb. 28, from 1-6 p.m. for staff training for the State Library Report.



Nick Sanders

**Sanders signs with Midwestern**

Nick Sanders, a senior at Lubbock Cooper High School, signed his letter of intent to play football for Midwestern State University, on National Signing Day, February 15, 2017. Midwestern State University is located at Wichita Falls, Texas.

Nick is the son of Kelly and DeLyn Sanders, and grandson of Jerry and Brenda Patton of Silverton and Harold and Patsy Sanders of O'Donnell.

Nick was recruited by Texas A&M Commerce, Midwestern State University, West Texas A&M, Adams State and Southern Nazarene University and received three scholarship offers before making his decision to commit to play for Midwestern. At Cooper High School, Sanders was chosen as First Team All-District Linebacker, appointed to the Lone-Star Varsity Defensive Team 5A-6A, a two time recipient of the Reagor-Dykes Heavy Hitter award in one season, invited to play in the All-Star game and received Lubbock Cooper's Outstanding Linebacker Award.

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**Tahoka High School Baseball Schedule 2017**

| DATE           | OPPONENT                    | LOCATION  | TIME  |
|----------------|-----------------------------|-----------|-------|
| February 10    | Trinity Christian Scrimmage | Tahoka    | 6 pm  |
| February 17    | Slaton Scrimmage            | Slaton    | 6 pm  |
| February 20    | Denver City                 | Tahoka    | 5 pm  |
| February 23-25 | Post Tournament             | Post      | TBD   |
| February 27    | Trinity Christian           | Lubbock   | 5 pm  |
| March 2-4      | Tahoka Tournament           | Tahoka    | TBD   |
| March 6        | New Home *                  | Tahoka    | 5 pm  |
| March 11       | Seagraves *                 | Tahoka    | 6 pm  |
| March 13       | Sundown *                   | Sundown   | 5 pm  |
| March 18       | Smyer *                     | Tahoka    | 12 pm |
| March 20       | Post *                      | Post      | 8 pm  |
| March 25       | Morton *                    | Morton    | 12 pm |
| March 27       | O'Donnell *                 | Tahoka    | 5 pm  |
| April 1        | New Home *                  | Tahoka    | 11 am |
| April 4        | Seagraves *                 | Seagraves | 5 pm  |
| April 8        | Sundown *                   | Tahoka    | 12 pm |
| April 10       | Smyer *                     | Smyer     | 4 pm  |
| April 17       | Post *                      | Tahoka    | 6 pm  |
| April 21       | Morton *                    | Tahoka    | 4 pm  |
| April 25       | O'Donnell *                 | O'Donnell | 5 pm  |

Head Coach: Stephen Overstreet

Assistant: Craig Williams

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**Lynn County Area Gins BALE COUNT**

(reported 02-21-2017)

|                              |                |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| Texas Star Gin, Wilson/Union | *134,968       |
| New Home Coop, Lakeview      | *110,402       |
| Wells Coop Gin               | *57,460        |
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| Farmers Coop, O'Donnell      | *37,445        |
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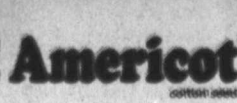
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