

All aboard! Ride the Tahoka Polar Express Saturday night

Put on your cold weather gear and come ride the Tahoka Polar Express this Saturday, Dec. 16, as the train winds a trail around the northwest residential portions of Tahoka. The Blue Weed Special train, provided by Wildcat Manufacturing, Leighton and Joan Knox, Starr Bray and Todd Holland, will take guests around town to see the Christmas lights. Sponsored by the Tahoka Area Chamber of Commerce, it's all free and open to the public, and will be held from 6:00-9:00 p.m. this Saturday. It is an open air train, so come prepared for a chilly ride.

This year, the "train depot" will again be located at the fellowship hall of the Tahoka Church of Christ, at 2320 Lockwood, where guests will board the train. Boarding will be conducted by numbered tickets, which each guest will receive for free at the "ticket station" inside. Each ride should take approximately 15 minutes, with the train

taking the same route for each ride. Homeowners on the route have been invited to decorate their properties in a Christmas decorating contest that will be judged by those who ride the train.

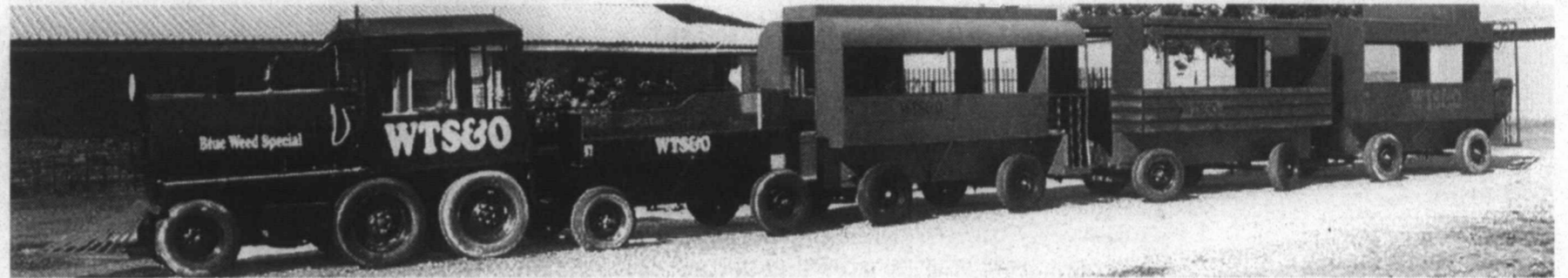
Santa and Mrs. Claus will be at the train depot to visit with children, and for photo opportunities (parents must bring their own cameras).

This event is free, but donations will be accepted for the Lynn County Pioneers Senior Citizens Building Fund.

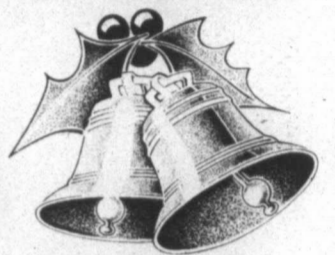
Cookies, hot chocolate and hot apple cider will be provided to all guests, courtesy of Tahoka Donuts and the Chamber of Commerce. Chamber members and several volunteer Tahoka High School students will assist with

the event, and Church of Christ members will serve the refreshments.

Guests may park their vehicles in the church parking lot (please enter and exit from Lockwood, as the Ave. R access will be used for the train), but watch for the traffic cones that designate the train route. The vacant lot east of the church may also be used for parking.



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Christmas Happenings

- Dec. 15: Open House**
First National Bank
1601 S. 1st, Tahoka
11:00 am-2:00 pm, lobby
- Dec. 16: Tahoka Area Chamber of Commerce**
Polar Express Train Ride
6:00-9:00 p.m. from the "Depot" at Tahoka Church of Christ fellowship hall, 2320 Lockwood
- Dec. 19: Sr. Citizens Center**
Christmas Party
1:00-3:00 pm
1600 S. 3rd, Tahoka
- Dec. 21: Open House**
Kindred At Home
3:00-5:00 pm
1928 Lockwood, Tahoka

What's Outside

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Dec 5	78	35	
Dec 6	43	34	
Dec 7	37	29	0.25"
Dec 8	38	23	
Dec 9	54	26	
Dec 10	64	31	
Dec 11	70	30	

(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 Mar:	0.21"
Total Precip for Apr:	2.88"
Total Precip for May:	0.10"
Total Precip for June:	2.49"
Total Precip for July:	1.86"
Total Precip for Aug:	2.41"
Total Precip for Sept:	3.72"
Total Precip for Oct:	0.64"
Total Precip for Nov:	0.15"
Total Precip for Dec:	0.25"
Total Precip. for 2017:	18.38"



New council member ... Tahoka Mayor John Baker (right) conducts the Oath of Office for Casey McLelland, swearing her in as the newly-appointed Tahoka City Council member for the District 3 seat. Ceremonies were conducted at Monday night's city council meeting.

Filing closes: Contested races set for two JP seats

With the filing period officially ending on Monday, there are now two contested races for Lynn County positions in the March Primaries, both for the two Justice of Peace positions in the county. One more candidate filed during the last week to make the Pct. 4 Justice of Peace a two-way race, with Della Swartz filing to run against incumbent Ed Follis.

Three candidates have filed for the Pct. 1 JP seat, including Christie Olivian, Brenda Dotson and Deana Grissom. The incumbent, Nancy Guilliams, is not seeking re-election.

All candidates have filed on the Republican party ticket, which means these positions will be decided in the March 6 Republican Primary.

All other county positions have unopposed incumbents seeking re-election, including: County Judge Mike Braddock, County Treasurer Amy Schuknecht, District Clerk Sandra Laws, County Clerk Susan Tipton, Pct. 2 County Commissioner John Hawthorne, and Pct 4 County Commissioner Larry Durham.

There are also two candidates seeking the position of 106th District Judge, which four-county region includes Lynn County. Two attorneys, both Tahoka residents, have filed for this position - W. Calloway Huffaker and Reed Filley, on the Republican ticket.

SANTA'S LAND DRIVE THRU PARK

is now open 6:30-10:00 pm EVERY night from Dec. 15-25. It's free!
Located at S. 11th & Ave. O in Tahoka.

City officials set city election for four council seats

Tahoka City Council met in regular session Monday night, taking action to order a General Election for May 5, 2018 for the purpose of electing four council members, including three regular two-year terms, and a one-year unexpired term for District 3.

Currently these positions are held by Ronny Jolly (District 2), Jeff Martin (District 4), Ray Box (District 5 At-Large), and newly-appointed member until the May election, Casey McLelland, for the District 3 seat.

Mrs. McLelland was sworn in with the Oath of Office by Mayor John Baker in ceremonies conducted at Monday night's meeting.

The council approved Eddie Holloway, CPA to conduct the city's annual audit of the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 2017, in the first order of business at the meeting. They tabled action until further information could be obtained from TxDOT, to convert the portion of Texas State Highway Loop 472 south from US 380 and ending at US 87, from a state road to a city street.

Also tabled was an item to consider appointments to the A.C.T. Board (Advancing the Community of Tahoka) for three members whose terms are expiring in January 2018. These board members include Julia Allen, chairman, and Dee Dee Pridmore and Abraham Vega. According to City Administrator Jerry Webster, the council wanted time to consider whom to appoint, and will consider the appointments at next month's council meeting.

Tahoka ISD Superintendent Alan Umholtz was present at the meeting, to provide information about the proposed new restroom facilities at the baseball complex. Tahoka ISD is funding the \$30,000 project for the

school baseball complex (which is on land leased from the city for \$1/year), and he presented a rendering of plans for the facilities.



Beautiful home ... This home is filled with vintage and antique décor and furnishings, and with visitors during Sunday night's Moonlight Madness event. The home, at 2001 Main Street in Tahoka, is owned by Maxine Paris and was decorated by her daughter, Kellie Craig, and other family members, for the event.



tis the Season

“ Christmas, my child, is love in action. Every time we love, every time we give, it's Christmas. ”

-- DALE EVANS

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Donation for Sr. Citizens Center ... Tahoka High School students Serena Ayala and Patrick Herrera (right) present a \$560 donation to staff at the Lynn County Pioneers Senior Citizens Center for the Center, from donations collected at several locations during Sunday night's Moonlight Madness event. Sr. Citizens staff members are, from left, Ruth Silvas, Rosa Longoria, and Brenda Tillman.

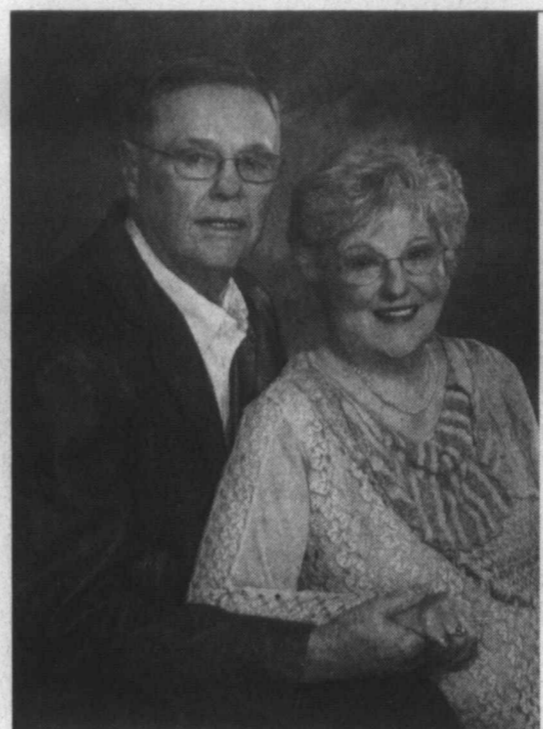
Moonlight Madness event held Sunday night in Tahoka

On Sunday night, Tahoka came to life to support a worthwhile purpose. Local businesses opened their doors, kids enjoyed Christmas games and activities, and local residents toured homes that had been lavishly decorated for the season, in the Moonlight Madness event.

Tahoka Middle School and High School Student Councils teamed up with Tahoka Elementary PTO and First Baptist Church to provide childcare and fun activities for kids of all ages. They enjoyed Christmas Cookie decorating with yummy cookies and icing from Tahoka Donuts, Christmas Bingo, Pin the Nose on Rudolph, coloring and crafts.

Meanwhile, parents were encouraged to tour the home of John and Suzanne Baker and the newly renovated property of Maxine Paris (decorated by Maxine Paris and Kellie Craig) as they mingled and visited with Tahoka High School NHS members and Santa himself! Downtown, The Home Place and Tahoka Drug opened up to give residents the opportunity to do some local Christmas shopping. Shoppers mingled and spread some Christmas cheer as Byron Norwood blessed those attending with live music outside. Huffaker Law Offices opened their doors to welcome guests as well.

"Our Lynn County Senior Citizens Center fills a vital



RONNIE and VIRGINIA DULIN

Dulins to celebrate 60th wedding anniversary

Ronnie and Virginia Dulin of Lubbock will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on Saturday, Dec. 16, 2017 with their family and friends at a reception hosted by their children from 2-4 p.m. at the Broadway Church of Christ Garden Room, in Lubbock. Virginia Smith and Ronnie Dulin were married on Dec. 14, 1957, in New Home Church of Christ, New Home, TX.

The couple have two daughters, Tawn Carpenter and husband Tommy, of Abilene, and Tamera Pope and husband Jim, of Lubbock, and four grandchildren: Chandyl Pruitt and husband Dalton, Landry Pope, Pierce Carpenter and wife Amanda, and Paige Carpenter.



Let's play Bingo ... Children had fun at the First Baptist Church during Sunday night's Moonlight Madness event, with lots of activities including Christmas Bingo.



Meet our staff...Back row from left: Jody Briggs-LVN, Amanda Williams -Office Manager, Cindy Hale-Home Health Liason, Kadee Harcrow-Hospice Liason, Tim Robbins, P.T. Front row from left: Jace Clark-Executive Director, Sharmye Jonas-LVN, Staci Thomas-RN, Anna Gonzales-RN,Case Manager.
(Not pictured: Bruce Gaines-P.T. Rhenea Matthis-Care Team Coordinator, and Becky Beatles-O.T.)

Everyone is invited to come meet the
Kindred At Home
Home Health & Hospice staff
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21
3:00-5:00 P.M.



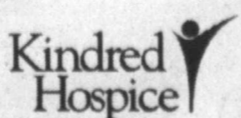
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Senior Citizens LUNCH MENU

December 18-22

Monday: Oven Fried chicken breast, bow tie pasta, broccoli raisin salad, fruit cocktail

Tuesday: Beef enchiladas, borracho beans, Spanish rice, coleslaw, apricots

Wednesday: Chicken spaghetti, carrots, zucchini, banana, vanilla pudding

Thursday: Roast beef, mashed potatoes, carrots, waldorf salad, banana pudding

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

Mark your calendars...

• Join us for our Merry Little Christmas Party on Tuesday, Dec. 19 from 1-3 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center. Beef enchilada lunch and dessert will be served.

need in our community. Several months ago, it was suggested that a Parade of Homes be held this year to benefit the Senior Citizens. Simultaneously a second idea was brought up to hold a moonlight shopping event for local businesses. The two ideas were merged and our first Moonlight Madness was born! Donations for the Senior Citizens Center were collected at all locations for a grand total of \$560!" said a sponsor. "Hopefully this is the beginning of a new tradition in our community. We are so blessed to live in a place that is always looking for ways to help others as we seek to honor the true meaning of Christmas," she added.



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Board of Directors and Staff

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Of

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Wednesday December 20th, 2017

From 3:00-4:00

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6-9 pm Saturday, Dec. 16
Train departs from "The Depot" at Tahoka
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2320 Lockwood in Tahoka, Texas

sponsored by
TAHOKA AREA Chamber of Commerce

Santa Claus will be here!
Cookies, Hot Chocolate and Hot Apple Cider!
Souvenir ticket and jingle bell!
Fun photo opportunities!

Train departs every 15-20 minutes
Come join the fun!

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Outstanding musicians ... These Tahoka Middle School Band students competed against 450 area middle school students to make the two ATSSB All-Region MS Bands - the Concert Band and the Symphonic Band.

Tahoka MS Band members make All-Region Bands

Last Saturday at Shallowater Middle School, 18 Tahoka Middle School Band students competed against 450 area middle school students to make the two ATSSB All-Region Bands.

Friday, January 26, and then perform at the Lubbock Civic Center on Saturday, January 27. Those competing were: Estevan Calvillo, Gabriel Deleon, Alyssa Elizondo, Anelyssa Elizondo, Rogelio Garcia, Christina Hernandez, Guadalupe Hernandez,

Kylie McNeely, Makayla Moya, Diego Pena, Ellianna Perez, Marisol Perez, Mariel Robles, Noelani Rodriguez, Madison Rose, Kazmin Sires, Nataly Taylor, and Gavin Vega.

Former deputy addresses commissioners court

Jordan Jones, formerly a Lynn County Deputy, addressed Lynn County Commissioners and County Judge Mike Braddock at Monday morning's commissioner meeting.

the additional 75 hours she was claiming was over the limit allowed by the policy.

Sheriff Abraham Vega chose not to attend the meeting. When questioned by The News about the accusations given by the former deputy, he responded, "I am aware of the accusations made by a former employee. However, I have and will continue to run the Sheriff's Office under the color of the law, and will continue to manage the Sheriff's Office in a manner that I feel is in the best interests of the citizens of Lynn County."

"I'm not here about my job. I was laid off and have already found a new job with another department. I'm here to tell you my concerns and observations of Sheriff Abraham Vega and how the department is run," Jones told the group.

As for the nepotism accusation, although there are relatives of the Sheriff who are employed at the Sheriff's Office, all were hired by former Sheriffs in the past before Vega was elected, and therefore fall under the grandfather clause, which is a clause creating an exemption based on circumstances previously existing.

She went on to say that she believed she had been "discriminated against and treated differently" than others she named in the department because of cronyism and the "Sheriff treating his friends with different standards."

In other business, monthly bills were approved and Capt. Jim Bingham presented the Sheriff's report, noting that there were 47 inmates in jail, including 21 for Ector County, 6 for Dawson and 20 for Lynn County.

Jones also asked that she be paid for another 75 hours of vacation time that she had earned. Lynn County Treasurer Amy Schuknecht told the court that Jones had been paid for 80 hours of accrued vacation time, according to county policy, and that

The commissioners and Judge Braddock entered into closed executive session at 9:36 a.m. to consult with an attorney regarding County Road 18, but took no action upon returning to open session approximately 20 minutes later, taking no action.



Giving to senior citizens ... In the spirit of Christmas, the staff of W. Calloway Huffaker's law office, Lynn County Abstract office, and Walker-Solomon Insurance Agency, donated items for the Tahoka Rotary Club's senior citizens Christmas gift baskets.

Volunteers ringing bell for Salvation Army kettle here

Local volunteers are ringing the bell for the Salvation Army kettle at Thriftway Grocery in Tahoka, now through 4 p.m. Saturday, December 23, collecting donations for Lynn County's Salvation Army program.

Every penny collected here stays in Lynn County, 100 percent," noted Marcy Whitley, secretary at First United Methodist Church of Tahoka, who administers the Salvation Army funds for the county.

to the local Salvation Army Fund may send it to First United Methodist Church c/o Salvation Army Fund, P.O. Box 2143, Tahoka, TX 79373.

Tahoka 7th grade boys basketball team wins tournament

The Tahoka 7th and 8th grade boys competed well in the Levelland B Team basketball tournament this past weekend. The 7th grade boys went 3-0 and were tournament champions, while the 8th grade boys went 2-1 to finish in 3rd place.

Advertisement for Boat Angel featuring a woman in a boat and text: "Donate A Boat or Car Today! Boat Angel '2-Night Free Vacation!' 800-700-BOAT (2628) www.boatangel.com"

In Monday night games, both 7th and 8th grade boys lost to Seagraves. 7th grade was a close game throughout and 8th grade played a hard fought game.

Please visit these Lynn County Churches

First Baptist Church: 1701 Ave. K • Box 1547 • Tahoka, TX 79373. Pastor Cliff Holdridge. Sunday School - 9:45 am, Morning Worship Service - 10:45 am, SNL (Youth) - 6:00 pm Sunday.

The meaning of Christmas: And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. - Luke 2:13-14

With the most popular holiday just around the corner, it seems like everyone is trying to get into the Christmas spirit. Stores are lining their aisles with Christmas goodies and decor, TV shows have switched to the theme of giving and love, and Santas are starting to float about.

Sweet Street Baptist Church: 1300 AVENUE J • BOX 751 • TAHOKA, TX 79373. David Earnest, Pastor. Sunday School - 9:45 am, Morning Worship - 10:50 am, Wednesday Night - 6 pm.

New Home Church of Christ: 324 N. Main • Box 188 • New Home, TX 79383. Minister: Victor Ellison. Bible Class - 10:00 am, Sunday Worship Service - 10:45 am, Wednesday Evening Bible Study - 7:00 pm.

Tahoka Trinity Church: 1925 Lockwood • Box 1168 • Tahoka • (806) 561-5317. Pastor: Perry Shuffield. Sunday School - 9:45 am, Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 am, Sunday Evening Worship - 6 pm, Youth - Sundays at 7 pm.

Wilson St. Paul Lutheran Church: 16th & Houston St. • Box 136 • Wilson, TX 79381. Pastor: David W. Rohde. Sunday School 9:15 am • Divine Service 10:15 am. "Where Christ Serves People"

Wilson St. John Lutheran Church: 13th & Dickson • Wilson, TX 79381 • (806) 628-6573. Sharing Christ's message of forgiveness and salvation with our community and beyond. Tonda Preitag, PLM. Sunday School - 9:30 am • Sunday Worship - 10:45 am.

Looking back on Black Friday, I am constantly reminded how far we have come from the true meaning of Christmas. Christmas wasn't just about giving, or feeling loved, but it was about true love. Christmas is the celebration of the birth of Christ, the Savior who came into this world to die... for everyone, even those who killed him.

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.

New Home United Methodist Church: 350 N. Main • New Home, TX 79383. Pastor Madoc Thomas. Sunday School 9:45 am • Worship 10:45 am.

Tahoka Church of Christ: 2320 Lockwood • Box 1177 • Tahoka, TX 79373. Sunday School - 10:00 am, Sunday Worship - 11 am, Fellowship & Devotion - Wednesday 6:30 pm.

First Methodist of Tahoka: 1801 Ave. J • Tahoka • (806) 561-4503. Sunday School - 9:30 am, Sunday Worship - 10:30 am (Fellowship Hall), Let the Children Come.

Wilson First Baptist Church: 1403 13th St. • Box 67 • Wilson, TX 79381. Pastor: Billy Farmer. Sunday School - 9:45 am, Sunday Worship - 11:00 am & 6:00 pm.

Grassland Nazarene Church: 2885 CR 25 • Tahoka, TX 79373. Pastor: Sis. Genell Knisley. Sunday School - 9:45 am, Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 am, Sunday Evening Worship - 6 pm.

Draw First United Methodist Church: P.O. Box 496 • O'Donnell, TX 79351. Pastor: Rev. Weston Pendergrass. Sunday Morning Worship - 9:15 am.

NEW HOME BAPTIST CHURCH: Corner of 4th & Smith • Pastor: Larry Maddox. Sunday School - 10:00 am, Sunday Worship - 11:00 am, Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 pm.

Advertisement for Mary Gayle Raindl, ND, HHP, owner of Healing Arts Center. Text: "KNOW SOMEONE EXPERIENCING STRESS FOR THE HOLIDAYS? GIVE THE GIFT OF Relaxation! Christmas Gift Certificates available for Facials • Massage • Body Wraps and Scrubs. CALL 998-5254. 2305 Lockwood • Tahoka • E-mail: mgraindl@aol.com"

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Lynn County Area Gins BALE COUNT
(reported 12-12-17)

Texas Star Gin, Wilson/Union.....	70,706
New Home Coop, Lakeview.....	44,158
Wells Coop Gin.....	33,159
Woolam Gin, O'Donnell.....	26,479
Farmers Coop #1, Tahoka.....	23,834
Farmers Coop, O'Donnell.....	18,000
Garlyn Gin.....	10,140
TOTAL BALES.....	226,476



Round bale cotton ... In this field just north of N. 8th Street in Tahoka, the cotton is stripped and wound into round bales, instead of the usual cotton modules, ready to take to the gin.
(LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)



"American Pickers" to film in Texas

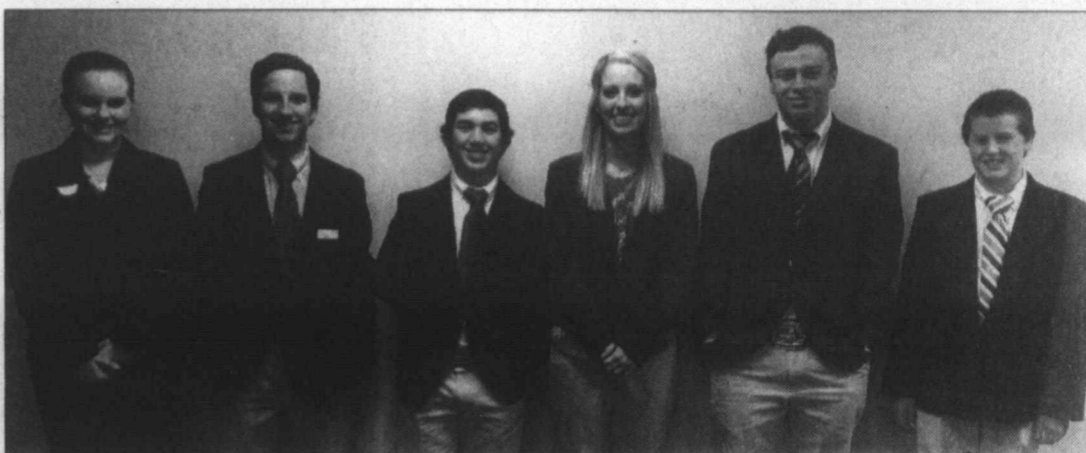
Mike Wolfe, Frank Fritz, and their team are excited to return to Texas, where they plan to film episodes of the hit series "American Pickers" throughout the region this winter. Anyone who may have an accumulation of antiques is welcome to contact the show.

"American Pickers" is a documentary series that explores the fascinating world of antique 'picking' on History. The hit show follows Mike and Frank, two of the most skilled pickers in the business, as they hunt for America's most valuable antiques. They are always excited to find sizeable, unique collections and learn the inter-

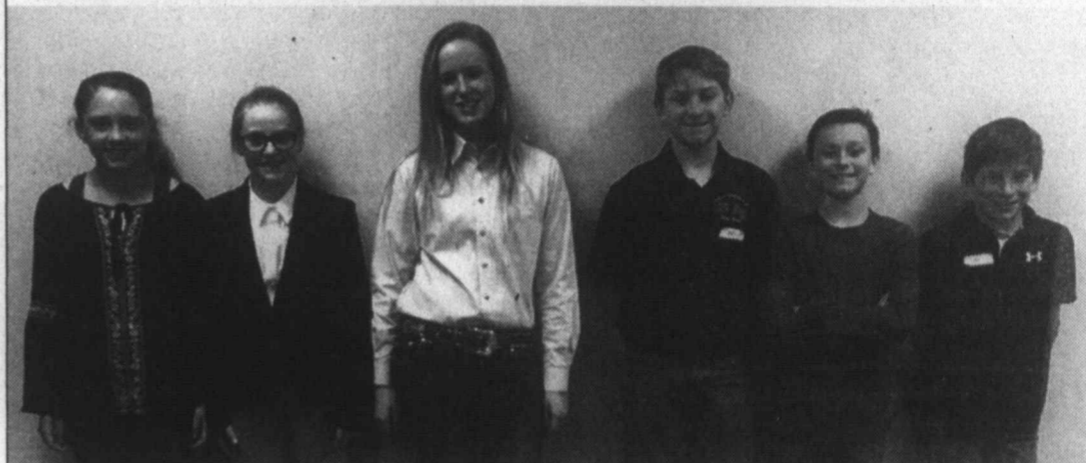
esting stories behind them.

As they hit the back roads from coast to coast, Mike and Frank are on a mission to recycle and rescue forgotten relics. Along the way, the Pickers want to meet characters with remarkable and exceptional items.

"American Pickers" is looking for leads and would love to explore your hidden treasure. If you or someone you know has a large, private collection or accumulation of antiques that the Pickers can spend the better part of the day looking through, send us your name, phone number, location and description of the collection with photos to: americanpickers@cinetflix.com or call 855-OLD-RUST.



Senior 4H Class... On December 9, Lynn County 4-H members competed in the District 2 4-H Consumer Decision Making Contest in Abernathy. The Senior 4H Class team was from left, Riley Stokes, Hayden Smith, Riley Cook, Brook Tyson, Braden Stone and Connor Cook.



Intermediate 4H Class... The Lynn County Intermediate 4H team pictured from left, Kaylee Walker, Laine Cook, Nataly Taylor, Braxton Beck, Kole Lorton and Brazos Beck, competed in the District 2 4-H Consumer Decision Making Contest in Abernathy on December 9.



Junior 4H Class... The Lynn County Junior 4H team pictured from left, Brayson Beck, Brogan Stone, Miles Maberry, Reagan Stokes, Emily Koonce, Bek McCleskey, Kennedy Lorton, and Sawyer May, competed in the District 2 4-H Consumer Decision Making Contest in Abernathy on December 9.

Live long and stay married

Some may brag about celebrating their 50th anniversary as husband and wife, but the Harts of Grand Rapids, MI have them beat by a country mile. The 99 year olds recently celebrated 80 years of matrimony, reports the Association of Mature American Citizens.

Donald and Vivian Hart tied the knot in 1937 and family members attending their anniversary party say they have lived happily ever after and that their good humor is what held the marriage together for eight decades.

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TAHOKA SCHOOL MENU

December 18-21
Monday: Cinn Toast Crunch
Tuesday: Chocolate waffles
Wednesday: Strawberry Pancakes
Thursday: Breakfast pizza
Friday: Christmas Break
Lunch *Pre-K
Monday: *Cheese Quesadilla/Grilled Cheese w/ soup/Fajita Chicken Wrap
Tuesday: *Cheese Pizza/Chicken Tenders/BBQ Chicken Salad
Wednesday: *Turkey & Cheese sandwich/Bean & Cheese Burrito/Grilled Cheeseburger
Thursday: *Turkey & Cheese Sub, baby carrots, celery sticks, apples

Lynn County 4-H members dominate at District Contest

On Saturday, December 9, twenty members of Lynn County 4-H competed in the District 2, 4-H Consumer Decision Making Contest in Abernathy.

Senior class placings were: Connor Cook, 1st; Braden Stone, 2nd; Brook Tyson, 3rd; and Riley Stokes, 4th. Reasons placings were: Brook Tyson, 1st; Connor Cook, 2nd; Hayden Smith, 3rd; Riley Stokes, 5th; Riley Cook, 6th; and Braden Stone, 8th. Individual overall results were: Connor Cook, 1st; Brook Tyson, 2nd; Braden Stone, 3rd; Riley Stokes, 5th; and Hayden Smith, 6th. The team of Connor Cook, Brook Tyson, Hayden Smith and Riley Stokes won class placings, reasons and overall team. They have now qualified for Texas 4-H Roundup in June.

In intermediate class placings, Kole Lorton was 5th and Laine Cook was 9th. In reasons, Kaylee Walker was 2nd, Laine Cook, 4th; Braxton Beck, 8th; and Kole Lorton, 10th. The team of Nataly Taylor, Laine Cook, Braxton Beck and Brazos Beck placed 4th in placings, 2nd in reasons and 3rd overall.

In juniors, Brayson Beck was 3rd and Miles Maberry was 8th. The team of Bek McCles-

key, Emily Koonce, Kennedy Lorton and Miles Maberry was 5th. The team of Brogan Stone, Sawyer May, Reagan Stokes and Brayson Beck was 6th.

"This is an excellent contest because it allows 4-Hers use to critical thinking skills to analyze products, make good consumer decisions and justify those decisions with reasons," said Wendy Scott, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Agent in Lynn County. "I appreciate all of our kids for their hard work, the parents for supporting their kids, and my coworker, Wade Howard and volunteer Will Pettit for helping our kids with reasons."

Family Wellness Clinic

TAHOKA CLINIC HOURS:
Mondays & Thursdays:
8:30 am-11:30 am & 1:30 pm-4:30 pm
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