

Congratulations to all county teams in the Playoffs!

Tahoka Bulldogs
 District Champions
 Tahoka advances to
 Area Playoffs
 Feb. 24-25-26
 Game to be determined.

Wilson Mustangs
 District Runners-Up
 Wilson vs. Silvertown
 in Bi-District Playoffs
 Tuesday, Feb. 22, 7 p.m.
 New Deal High School Gym

O'Donnell Eagles
 District Co-Champions
 O'Donnell vs. Three Way
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Theft, Forgery Cases Reported During Week

Officers with the Lynn County Sheriff's Dept. arrested one man on a theft charge and investigated a forgery case in which a check for \$3,067.30 was involved, and also checked on another case of theft.

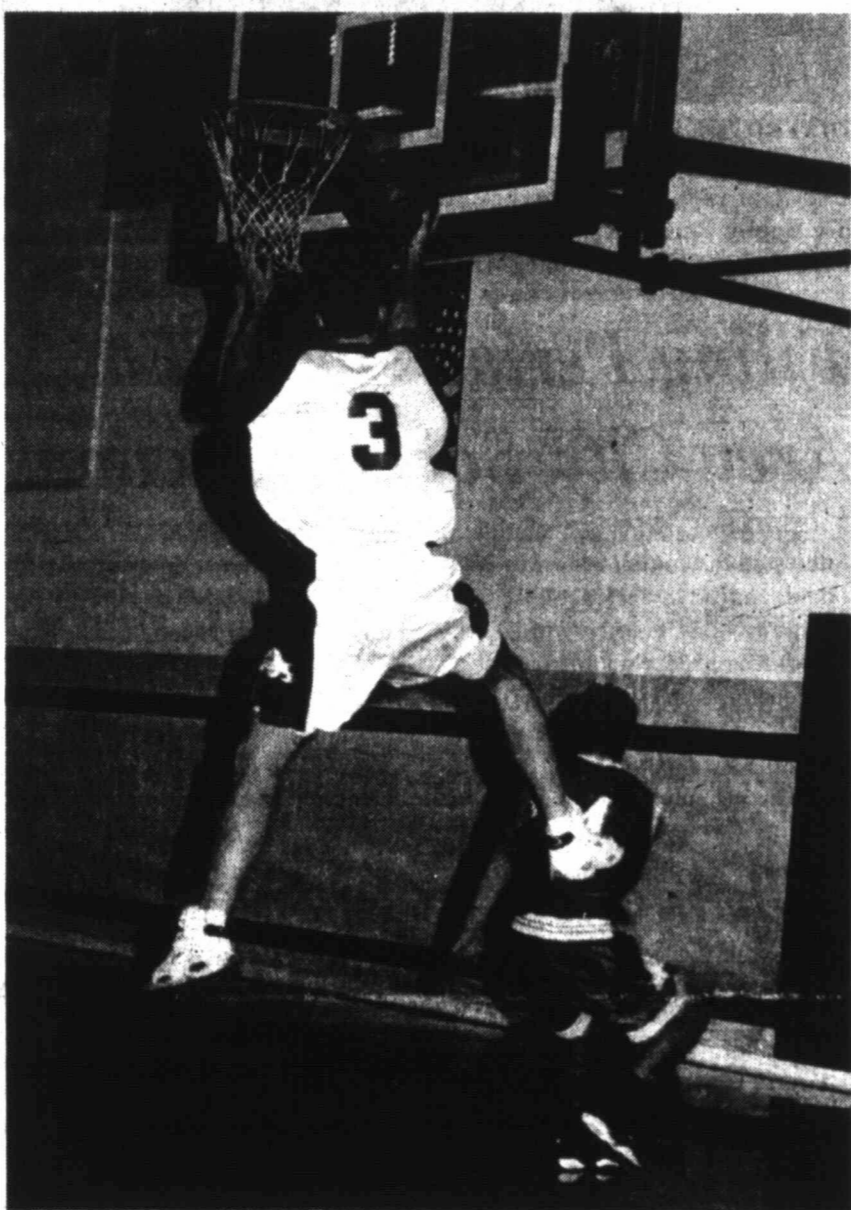
A 30-year-old Tahoka man was arrested and charged with theft over \$50 and less than \$500 after a complaint from a man living in the county that the suspect was seen running from the victim's home with the money Wednesday.

In another theft report, Jesse Ray Gutierrez, age and address not listed, said his drivers license, social security card and vehicle title were stolen out of his pickup which was left locked at the side of U.S. 87 about 9 miles north of Tahoka on an unspecified date. A window was broken out of the pickup.

A 45-year-old Lubbock woman was named as a suspect in forging a signature on a \$3,067 check made out to B&B Fertilizer near New Home and then depositing the check into her personal account at a Lubbock bank. The sheriff's office was notified of the forgery Friday, Feb. 4.

Seven persons were added to the list of jail residents during the last week, on these charges: one person on a warrant for speeding, no seat belt, no financial responsibility, failure to display drivers license and failure to appear on all the above charges. A second person was arrested on a warrant for no seat belt, no financial responsibility, illegal registration, expired registration, and failure to appear.

Others were jailed for no insur-



WAY UP FOR LAY-UP—Brad Pebsworth makes a lay-up as part of his team-leading 19 points against Coahoma Tuesday. The 6-4 senior will be trying to help the Bulldogs get back to the state tournament for the second time. Pebsworth, Sedrick Williams and Brady Raindl were freshmen on the 1996-97 team which went to the state tournament. Tahoka went 10-0 in district with the 81-47 win over Coahoma. The Dogs will play a practice game this Friday night against powerhouse Shallowater, at Lubbock Coronado High School gym at 6 p.m.

(LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

ance plus speeding, theft over \$50, warrant on theft by check, driving while license suspended plus displaying suspended drivers license, and

theft by taking, over \$50 and less than \$500.

Three City Council Seats Up For Election

Three seats on the Tahoka City Council will be up for election this year, one of which is an at-large position. In a noon meeting Monday, the council ordered a general election for Saturday, May 6 for the purpose of electing a council member in District 2, District 4 and the at-large District 5. Currently, those positions are held by Clara Calvillo, Jay Dee House, and Ray Don Box.

City Administrator Jerry Webster was appointed as early voting judge. Dean Bartley was named election judge and Jackie Stephens as alternate judge. Filing period for candidates begins Feb. 21 and ends March 22, at Tahoka City Hall. All three positions are two-year terms.

The only other item on the agenda was a resolution denying the request from Energas Company for a rate increase, which council members unanimously approved.

Present at the meeting were four of five council members, including Jay Dee House, Ray Box, John Chapa Jr. and Clara Calvillo, with council member Amy Preston absent.

Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Feb. 9	80	36	
Feb. 10	78	42	
Feb. 11	62	33	
Feb. 12	71	24	
Feb. 13	69	25	
Feb. 14	77	34	
Feb. 15	82	34	

Five County Teams In Basketball Playoffs

Five Lynn County high school basketball teams are heading for basketball playoffs in Class A and AA, with both of O'Donnell's varsity teams sharing the spotlight, and one team each from Tahoka, Wilson and New Home earning playoff berths.

Tahoka's varsity boys team claimed the District Championship title Tuesday night in District 3-2A, defeating Coahoma 81-47 to end a perfect 10-0 district season. Statistics show the last time a Bulldog team went undefeated in district was 33 years ago in 1967. Three years ago, in 1997, the boys team went all the way to the state playoffs for the first time ever. As district champions, the Bulldogs draw a bye in the Bi-District round of playoffs and advance to the Area round, Feb. 24-25-26.

"We will play the winner of the match between Ozona and either Tornillo or Anthony - Tornillo and Anthony play today and the loser will play Ozona Monday for Bi-District. We will play the winner of that game for Area, most likely on Thursday night," said Bulldog Coach Rusty Frazier.

The Dogs are scheduled for a tough practice game this Friday, taking on the undefeated Shallowater boys team (ranked number ten in the state in Class 3A) at Lubbock Coronado High School gym at 6 p.m.

New Home's Lady Leopards (12-11) tied for the Class 1A District championship title with Jayton, and played the Lady Jaybirds on Friday, Feb. 11 to decide seeding for the playoffs, losing 60-40 to be designated as the number two seed. In Bi-District playoffs held Tuesday night, the Lady Leopards met Guthrie (25-4), who leaped ahead in the first quarter and maintained the lead for an 81-47 win to claim the Class 1A Bi-District win over New Home, dashing playoff hopes for the Lynn County girls' team.

Leading scorers for New Home were Stephanie Kieth with 13 and Danielle Flores with 11.

Wilson varsity boys finished second place in District 16-A behind the Jayton Jaybirds, and are scheduled for Bi-District playoffs next Tuesday, Feb. 22 against Silvertown. That game

is set at New Deal High School gym at 7 p.m. Coach Rob Buffa's Mustangs are scheduled to play a practice game this Friday against the Cotton Center Elks at Cotton Center to prepare for the Bi-District battle.

Both varsity girls and boys teams at O'Donnell High School have made the playoffs, with the girls meeting Meadow Tuesday night at Idalou in the Bi-District round. Coach Billy Wilson's Lady Eagles gave a good effort but Meadow dashed their hopes for continuing in the playoffs. Scores on the game were unavailable. The Lady Eagles finished tied for second in the district, and beat Spur in a seed match for the number two seed playoff spot.

The Eagles varsity boys team tied with Crosbyton for the Class 1A District crown, playing for seeding position Friday at Roosevelt, where O'Donnell won for the number one seed position. Coach Wade McLain's team will take on Three Way in the Bi-District playoffs next Tuesday, Feb. 22 at 7 p.m. in the Smyer High School gym.



MUSTANGS SET FOR BI-DISTRICT—The Wilson Mustangs varsity boys basketball team, under the direction of Coach Rob Buffa, are Class 1A District Runners-Up and headed for the Bi-District playoffs. The Mustangs will take on Silvertown next Tuesday, Feb. 22, at 7 p.m. in New Deal for the bi-district title. Shown, back row from left, are Jenny Curb (manager), Patrick Zavala, J. Paul Kirk, Casey Donald, Michael Donathan, Billy Cavender, Jay Mac Yowell; front row: David Yowell, Brian Arellano, Jordan Bednarz, and Ben Buffa. Assisting Coach Buffa is Coach Phillip Timmons.



LADY LEOPARDS ARE DISTRICT CO-CHAMPIONS—The New Home Lady Leopard varsity basketball team, District 16-A Co-Champions, took on Guthrie in Bi-District play-off action on Tuesday, bowing out 81-47 to end their playoff season. Members of the team include (top) Coach Joe Helms, Dana Swartz, Heather Kieth, Kaci Wied, Lexi Wied, Carri Floyd, Stephanie Kieth, Danielle Flores, Erin Miller (manager), Assistant Coach Shane Moore; and (bottom) Tiffany Nettles, Cassidi Liseby, Randi Thornhill and Mindy Dion. Not pictured is Angelica Rodriguez.

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WOODWORK by Dalton

MY WIFE OWES me a horse. That's the good news. The bad news is that I really don't want a horse, especially if I have to ride it. The last time I rode a horse was about 40 years ago, and my rear end is still sore. As I went up, the horse went down, and vice versa. Horses and I never could see end to end.

The reason she owes me a horse is that as we were getting Sleepy in Seattle Feb. 6, we turned on the TV for a brief time, catching a Hallmark Hall of Fame movie about mid-point. We were too tired to watch the rest of it, but I commented to her, "That's old James Coburn," referring to the guy on the screen at the time.

"That's not James Coburn," she said. "He's a lot older than that."

"That sure is James Coburn," I insisted.

"It is not," said she.

"Is, too," said I.

This mature dialog went on for awhile, until I said, "I'll bet you a horse that's James Coburn." And she agreed.

I don't know why I said that; I certainly have no need or desire for a horse.

Back in Tahoka a few days later, I saw an ad in People magazine showing James Coburn appearing in a Hallmark presentation on that date on CBS.

I'm going to show it to her as soon as I detect the proper mood. When we argue, she's usually right, so I will make the most of this one victory.

However, instead of a horse, I plan to try to get her to give me one of those new Honda cars which gets 70 mpg and runs partly on batteries and partly on a 3-cylinder gasoline engine. I'm not sure they are selling them yet, but I saw a picture of one.

And unlike a horse, you don't have to feed it when you're not using it.

THS Principal Tommy Varner Resigns; Trustees Call For May 6 Election Here

by JUANELL JONES

Trustees will be looking to fill another top position for the 2000-2001 school year at Tahoka Independent School District, with the resignation of the high school principal coming just one month after the resignation of the athletic director/head football coach.

Tahoka High School Principal Tommy Varner will be leaving the district at the end of the school year, he told trustees at the regular monthly meeting last Thursday. Varner cited family reasons for resigning his position here after just one year, and told *The News* that he and his wife wanted to relocate to be closer to their daughter at College Station.

"Tahoka has been real good to us - the kids have tremendous attitudes here. We've enjoyed it and hate to leave, but we're going to do what's best for our family," Varner said. "I believe in God, family and education, and my family comes before education. With our daughter at A&M we choose to try to get closer to her. I am looking at three different opportunities down in that area, so we believe God is opening that door for us," he explained.

Varner's resignation is effective June 30, 2000.

In addition to the high school principal position, the district is still looking to fill the Athletic Director position, but as of Tuesday morning school officials said that position has not yet been filled, although several prospective candidates have reportedly visited the school district.

Trustees retired to a three-hour closed session to consider personnel. Upon return to open session, one-year contract extensions and \$1500 increase in salaries were unanimously approved for Middle School Principal Glo Hays, Elementary Principal James Baker and Elementary Assistant Principal Lisa Ramirez.

Teacher contracts will be considered at the March board meeting, scheduled for Tuesday, March 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the Harvick Educational Center. Normally the board meets on the second Thursday of the month, but with the varsity boys basketball team in the playoffs trustees set the meeting earlier in the week to allow fans travel time in hopes that the team would be in the state playoff tournament March 9-11 in Austin.

Trustees called for an election to elect two at-large trustees on May 6,

appointing Dean Bartley as election judge, Jackie Stephens as alternate judge, Jerry Webster as early voting judge and Ken Eudy as alternate early voting judge. The positions are currently held by Greg Henley and Ty Askew, and both are three-year terms. All voters residing within the school district may vote in this election, as both positions are at-large. Filing period for candidates is Feb. 21 through March 22.

The TISD employee health insurance policy was renewed with Walker-Solomon Insurance Agency for an 18-month period, and budget amendments were approved as presented. Some changes were approved regarding tardies, absences and other issues in the cheerleaders policy handbook.

Business Manager Ken Eudy presented a financial report, noting that the 1999 tax collection totaled \$931,591.15 as of Jan. 31, which is 83.18% complete. Monthly bills were approved as presented.

Principals Varner, Hays and Baker presented reports on their campus activities and attendance rates. Gloria Moore will conduct an assembly at THS on Feb. 25 from 10 a.m. until 12 noon, in observance of Black History Month. Cheerleader tryouts will begin on Feb. 29 with an election to be held on March 10. Elementary Open House will be held March 9 from 6-9 p.m.

All seven trustees were present for the six-hour meeting which adjourned at 1:10 a.m.



DISTRICT CHAMPIONS—Tahoka varsity boys nailed down a perfect district season by beating Coahoma Tuesday night and are shown here with the District 3-AA trophy. From left, standing, are Jason Jaquess, Cory Gardner, Jordan Sarchet, Larry Davis, Sedrick Williams, Brad Pebsworth and Brady Raindl. In front are Bobby Benavidez, Blandon Hancock, Coach Rusty Frazier and Randy White. Shaun Williams was in back, behind Gardner and Sarchet. (LYNN COUNTY NEWS PHOTO)

Filing Period Opens For Area City, School Elections

The filing period for candidates interested in running for area school boards and mayoral/city council seats begins Monday, Feb. 21, with a deadline of March 22. School board seats are generally three-year terms (unless there is an unexpired term), and city council seats are two-year terms.

Anyone interested in filing for candidacy should contact their local city hall or school administrative offices for information on filing. Elections will be held May 6.

Candidates who file for Tahoka, Wilson, New Home and O'Donnell city and school elections will be listed each week in *The Lynn County News*, beginning in next Thursday's edition.

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Senior Citizens MENU

February 21-25

Monday: Sloppy Joe, Fries, Peas & Carrots, Sliced Tomatoes, Fruit Salad.

Tuesday: Turkey & Gravy, Cornbread Dressing, Green Beans, Wheat Roll, Grapefruit or Orange Sections, Pumpkin Pie. **GAME NIGHT—6 p.m.**

Wednesday: Pork Chop, Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Cole-slaw, Raisin Bread, Applesauce.

Thursday: Baked Fish w/Lemon, Braised Steak w/Onions, Scalloped Potatoes, Spinach, Cornbread, Apple Cobbler.

Friday: Meatloaf, Red Beans, Zucchini, Tossed Salad/Ranch Dressing, Hot Roll, Peaches.

fourth angle, that closest to the cropland, nanking cherry.

For best results, Crager recommends 10- to 25-foot spacing between each deciduous tree within a tree row; 6-foot spacing between each shrub within a shrub row; and 20-foot spacing between each row of trees.

To order wildlife packets or evergreens and deciduous trees and shrubs for windbreaks, contact the Texas Forest Service at (806) 746-5801 or the local Soil and Water Conservation District.

Tahoka Care Center News

by Barbara Stice

Monday, Feb. 14 was a big day at the Care Center. It was Valentine's Day and all you could see were roses, candy and happy faces. Some of the residents got so much candy and cookies they were giving it away! Thanks to everyone who made the day so special for them.

We are glad to have Thomas Phillips home from the hospital. We are still having some great domino games. In the latest round of games, Myrtle Mathis came in first, I was second, Tom Curry finished third, and Mary Cook was fourth. Tom said he didn't know how I did it!

The bingo games are going very well. We play on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and sometimes on Saturday when we have enough help. Thanks to Pat Hogg for the cup cakes and to D.D. Harper for your gifts for bingo. This helps so much. We hope to be giving out prizes such as coffee mugs or little games for blackout bingo winners.

Family Night is Thursday, Feb. 24 at 6:30 p.m. Hope to see you all here. I know you don't want to miss this one.

LOCAL NEWS

A surprise birthday luncheon for Edith Wallace was held in the home of Dorothy Kidwell Saturday, Feb. 12, and was hosted by Edith's sister, Dorothy Thomson of Lubbock.

It was a fun time for the honoree and guests, complete with gifts, games, food, the traditional cake and ice cream, and many wishes of Happy Birthday.

Wildlife Packets Available To Help Establish Habitat

Managing land for wildlife is gaining interest with Texas landowners. And whether it's deer in central Texas or quail and pheasant on the Plains, wildlife seedling packets produced by the Texas Forest Service West Texas Nursery in Lubbock are available to assist landowners in creating habitat.

Now is the time for landowners to order wildlife packets from West Texas Nursery before species are sold out, says Ray Crager, Texas Forest Service silviculturist.

Since 1978, West Texas Nursery has been growing high-quality, adaptable seedlings for two-thirds of the state to be planted as conservation windbreaks and wildlife habitat.

Four wildlife packets are available: Quail/Pheasant, Deer, Turkey and Squirrel. Each packet contains 100 bare-root deciduous trees and shrubs that cater specifically to the habitat needs of their labeled species. Each \$46 packet includes the following trees:

Quail/Pheasant: Russian olive, aromatic sumac, nanking cherry and plum;

Deer: hackberry, flameleaf sumac, bur oak and fourwing salt-bush;

Free Trees Offered By Arbor Day Foundation

Ten free Colorado blue spruce trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during February 2000. The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's tree planting campaign to commemorate the new millennium.

Colorado blue spruces have silver blue-green color and a compact conical shape. They can be used as individual ornamentals, an energy-saving windbreak, a privacy screen, or as living Christmas trees.

The trees will be shipped post-paid at the right time for planting between March 1 and May 31 with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow.

To become a member of the Foundation and receive the free trees, send a \$10 contribution to Ten Free Colorado Blue Spruce Trees, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by Feb. 29.

OBITUARIES

Warren Smith

Services are pending at White Funeral Home for Warren Smith, 88, of O'Donnell.

He died Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2000.

Paulo Hernandez

Funeral services for Paulo Hernandez, 69, of Seagraves were held at 3 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 10, at the Spanish Assembly of God in Seagraves with the Rev. Ovidio Martinez officiating and Ovidio Martinez Jr. assisting.

Burial was in Seagraves Cemetery.

He died Tuesday, Feb. 8, 2000 at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

He was born Nov. 20, 1930 in San Antonio. He married Anita Trevino March 18, 1951, in San Antonio. She died in 1988. He moved to Seagraves from San Antonio 20 years ago and lived in Seminole in 1992. He was a

farm laborer and a member of the Spanish Assembly of God in Seagraves.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Mariana Price in 1996.

Survivors include four sons, Adrian Hernandez of Brownfield, Carlos Hernandez of Seminole, Marcos Hernandez of El Paso and Anibal Rene Hernandez of Brownfield; five daughters, Blanca Ruiz of Seagraves, Maite Stowe of Brownfield, Estelinda Salazar of Seminole, Tules Martinez of El Campo and Adela Hernandez of Brownfield; two brothers, Luis Arguello of O'Donnell and Juan Arguello of San Antonio; two sisters, Tomasa Hernandez of O'Donnell and Petra Arguello of San Antonio; 12 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

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New Home Bow On

by NHISD Journalist

The New Home faced the Guthrie Class 1A Bi-District Tuesday, Feb. 15 in Lady Jaguars gain and maintained it New Home's Lady playoff season.

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"The team is doing not winning the district we will be ready for night. The girls have son and have over Coach Joe Helms.

NEW

Junior High Girls

by Kaci Wied

On Monday, Feb. Lady Leopards compete game against the

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The game ended with wins winning 32-24.

Top scorers were 8 points and Terry Br

The Lady Leopards son undefeated and we Champions.

Junior High Boys by Jonathan Rodriguez

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JV Girls by Keaton Aske

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JV Boys by Shaun Wied

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New Home Lady Leopards Bow Out In Bi-District Battle

by NHHS Journalism Staff

The New Home Lady Leopards faced the Guthrie Lady Jaguars in a Class 1A Bi-District playoff battle on Tuesday, Feb. 15 in Floydada, but the Lady Jaguars gained an early lead and maintained it to win 81-47 over New Home's Ladies, ending their playoff season.

Guthrie, the number one seed from District 15-A, used a fierce full-court defense to plague New Home, the number two seed out of District 16-A. Guthrie jumped out to a 32-4 first-quarter lead, but pulled off their press when they had a 30-point lead in the second quarter. Leading scorers for New Home were Stephanie Kieth with 13 and Danielle Flores with 11.

The Lady Leopards faced the Jayton Lady Jaybirds on Friday, Feb. 11, to decide the first and second seed teams out of District 16-A. Both teams ended district play tied for first, but the Lady Leopards lost 60-40 in the seed match.

"The team is disappointed about not winning the district outright, but we will be ready to play Tuesday night. The girls have had a good season and have overcome a lot," said Coach Joe Helms.

From the tipoff, the Lady Jaybirds seemed better prepared for the battle of the district co-champions.

The first quarter was a tough battle as each team tried to set the tempo. Jayton had a slight lead at the end of the quarter, 16-9.

The Lady Leopards lost some of their composure during the second quarter and were outscored 14-1 and trailed 30-10 at halftime.

A strong first half by the Lady Jaybirds put the Lady Leopards in a situation they were not familiar with during district play, down by 20 points and unsure of finding a way to get back into the game.

The third quarter did not result in much of an improvement for the Lady Leopards as they trailed 24-50.

Team leading scorer Danielle Flores was held way below her usual scoring output due to a strong Lady Jaybird defense placed on her all during the game. The rest of the Lady Leopards tried to make up for the loss in scoring but Jayton was just too much for the ladies to handle.

Sophomore Heather Kieth led the Lady Leopards in scoring with 12 points. Senior Lexi Wied added 10 points.



A CLOSEUP LOOK AT THE FIRE TRUCK - Tahoka Home Base Head Start children got a closeup look at the Tahoka Volunteer Fire Department trucks and equipment during a field trip Monday morning. Volunteer firefighter Steve Sanders showed children the trucks and spoke about fire safety. Shown here with the fire hoses on the back of the big fire truck are, from left, Abigail Santos, Gary Pina, Ryan Garza, Juan Charon Jr., and teacher Bennie Nance with Selena Tello. Mrs. Nance said the children have been studying community helpers and the field trip showed them how volunteer firemen help their community. (LCN PHOTO)

17 and Angel Silva with 14.

The Leopards faced the Wilson Mustangs on Tuesday, Feb. 8. The Leopards were pumped and ready to play their rivals.

The senior led Mustang squad got off to a quicker start than the sophomore led Leopards and ended the first quarter ahead 17-2.

Despite being down, but never out, the Leopards were able to settle down and play some ball and closed the gap against the Mustangs. At halftime they only trailed by five points, 27-22.

At the start of the second half the Leopards went on a run and were up by 6 points at the end of the third quarter.

In the fourth quarter the Leopards stepped up their defense and forced several Mustang turnovers, as a result of a Leopard press put on by Coach John Jones.

The Mustangs had to start fouling to stop the clock. First they fouled Jason Reyes who stepped up and nailed a free throw. Shaun Wied was then sent to the charity strip and added another free throw.

Grasping for any last second help, the Mustangs fouled Michael Wied, who sunk both free throws.

The final score was 52-46 in favor of the Leopards.

High scorers were Michael Wied and Matt Cramblet, both with 13 points.

The NEW HOME News by Karon Durham 924-7448

The New Home Student Council attended the District V District Conference in Lubbock on Feb. 9. Attending the conference was sponsor Mrs. Scott and students Lexi Wied, Danielle Flores, Tabitha Swartz, Cassidi Lisemby, and Lauren Wied.

Featured speaker for the event was Rose Guerrero, who encouraged students to be proud of their heritage. The Friendship Drum Corps were also part of the program.

New Home School Menu

February 21-25
Breakfast
Monday: French Toast Sticks, Milk.
Tuesday: Funnel Cakes, Milk.
Wednesday: Breakfast Pocket, Milk.
Thursday: Donut, Milk.
Friday: No School.
Lunch
Monday: Corn Dog, French Fries, Pickle Spears, Apple Slices, Milk.
Tuesday: Enchiladas, Lettuce, Tomato, Pinto Beans, Fruit Cup, Milk.
Wednesday: Turkey & Rice, Breaded Okra, Mixed Vegetables, Jello w/Fruit, Milk.
Thursday: Chili Cheese Dog, Tator Tots, Chili Beans, Apricot Cobbler, Milk.
Friday: No School.

Slaton Art Show Set For April 29

The thirtieth Annual Exhibition Slaton Art Show sponsored by the Women's Division of the Slaton Chamber of Commerce will be held Saturday, April 29 at the Slaton Club House, located at 740 W. Garza. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Women's Division Scholarship Fund.

Entry fee is \$5 per entry with no limit on the number of entries. Entries will be received at the Club House on Friday, from 4-7 p.m. and on Saturday from 8-10 a.m.

For more information, contact the Slaton Chamber of Commerce at 828-6238 or Sue Davis at 828-3388.

Shop In Tahoka!

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Little Dribblers Now Open To County Girls

Officials of the Tahoka Little Dribblers Girls Basketball League have made change in policy for the upcoming season. In the past, the league was only open to girls in the Tahoka school district, whereas this year any girl in the county in grades three through eight (ages 9-14) is invited to participate.

Signups will be from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Tahoka High School gym on Thursday, Feb. 17 (today), and Monday, Feb. 21.

Girls should be accompanied by a parent or guardian and should bring their birth certificates. Cost will be \$20 per girl, with siblings paying only \$15.

For more information contact Andrew Chapa or Pam Ashcraft.

Rabies Clinic Set In Tahoka

Pets may be brought for a rabies vaccination at the old fire hall behind City Hall in Tahoka on Saturday, Feb. 19. Dr. Larry Mills, DVM of Post, is offering the rabies clinic from 1:30-3:00 p.m.

Cost of the rabies vaccine is \$6.50. Other vaccines will be available if needed.

Tahoka School Menu

February 21-25

Monday: Waffles or Cereal & Toast, Apple Juice, Milk.
Tuesday: Sausage & Toast or Cereal & Toast, Grape Juice, Milk.
Wednesday: Donuts, Pineapple Tidbits, or Cereal & Graham Crackers Juice, Milk.
Thursday: Breakfast Pizza or Cereal, Apple Sauce, Milk.
Friday: Cereal & Toast, Orange Juice, Milk.

Lunch

Monday: Beef Tacos, Lettuce, Tomato, Spanish Rice, Orange Halves, Milk.
Tuesday: Ham & Cheese Sandwich, Lettuce, Tomato, Pear Halves, Chips, Milk.
Wednesday: Pepperoni Pizza, Mixed Salad, Apple Slices, Rainbow Pops, Milk.
Thursday: Turkey Roast, Cream Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Roll, Chocolate Chip Cookie, Milk.
Friday: Hamburger of Cheeseburger, Lettuce, Onion, Pickle, French Fries, Apricot Cobbler, Milk.

Golf Scramble On Tap At T-Bar

T-Bar Country Club in Tahoka will host a two man open scramble Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 19-20. Entry fee is \$35 per person. Tee times are 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

For more information or to enter, contact T-Bar at 998-5305.

NEWS FROM NEW HOME ISD

by NHHS Journalism Students

Junior High Girls

by Kaci Wied

On Monday, Feb. 7, the junior high Lady Leopards competed in their last district game against the Jayton Lady Jays.

The game started off extremely slow for the ladies but they eventually regrouped and got things rolling.

The game ended with the Lady Leopards winning 32-24.

Top scorers were Brooke Kieth with 8 points and Terry Brand with 7 points.

The Lady Leopards finished the season undefeated and were named District Champions.

Junior High Boys

by Jonathan Rodriguez

On Monday, Feb. 7, the junior high Leopards set out to play their last home and district game of the season.

The Leopards were out to win the district title against the Jayton Jaybirds. The Leopards came out more than ready to take what was rightfully theirs, a District Championship, and defeated the Jaybirds handily with a final score of 54-23. Top scorers for the game were Tanner Johnston and Dylan Feaster.

JV Girls

by Keaton Askew

On Friday, Feb. 4, the JV Lady Leopards traveled to Jayton to take on the Lady Jay Birds.

The game was close the whole way through but in the third quarter the Lady Jay Birds outscored the Lady Leopards by nine and began to pull away.

In the end, Jayton won the contest 19-16.

Top scorer was Randi Thornhill with 6 points.

On Tuesday, Feb. 8, the Lady Leopards faced the Wilson Mustangs for their last district game.

Playing at home proved to be a good change for the Lady Leopards from their first meeting with the Lady Mustangs. The outcome of this game was much better, with a final score of 21-16 in favor of the Lady Leopards.

JV Boys

by Shaun Wied

The JV Leopards faced the Jayton Jaybirds for only the second time on Friday, Feb. 4, in Jayton.

The contest was a hard fought battle between the two very competitive teams wanting a district win. Unfortunately for the Leopards, it ended in a 39-39 tie.

Leading scorer was Nathan Black with 18 points.

The JV Leopards came out Tuesday, Feb. 8, for their last game of the season against the Wilson Mustangs.

It was a close game throughout but in the end, when it mattered, the Leopards came out on the short end losing 24-32.

High scorer was Nathan Black with 10.

Varsity Girls

by Randi Thornhill

The varsity Lady Leopards have been enjoying a very successful run through district with 4 wins and 1 loss. On Tuesday, Feb. 8, the Lady Leopards took on the Wilson Mustangs for their final district game.

Coming out to play before a large crowd, both teams were trying to set the tempo and get off on the right foot. A close first quarter ended with the score of 15-12 in favor of the Lady Leopards.

A strong second quarter by the Lady Leopards began to show signs of what would soon become evident, the Lady Mustangs were outmatched against the district leaders. At halftime, the score read 34-18 in favor of the Lady Leopards.

Not losing a step during half time, the Lady Leopards outscored the Lady Mustangs 13-5 and ended the third quarter ahead 47-23.

The Lady Leopards saved their best scoring for the final quarter where they outplayed and outmanned the Lady Mustangs 22-11.

Final score of the game had the Lady Leopards winning 69-34.

High scorers of the game were Danielle Flores with 18 and Lexi Wied with 14.

Varsity Boy

by Shaun Wied

The Leopards tipped off against the Jayton Jaybirds Friday, Feb. 4, in Jayton.

This time around, the Leopards were more focused and the scoreboard showed their determination.

Instead of being down by 17 points at halftime like they were during their first meeting, the Leopards were only down by 2 points.

Despite strong play by the Leopards, they were unable to pull off a district win and their playoff hopes died out.

The final score of the game was 47-53.

High scorers were Jason Reyes with

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TAAS Test Scheduled For Next Week

All sophomore students at Tahoka High School will be taking the TAAS test Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of next week (Feb. 22-24). Freshmen, juniors and seniors will not report to school until 11:30 a.m. on those days, while all sixth, seventh and eighth graders will attend classes on their normal schedule.

The testing schedule is as follows: •Tuesday - 11:30-11:52 a.m. - 1st period; 11:55 a.m.-12:17 p.m. - 2nd period; •Wednesday - 11:30-11:52 a.m. - 3rd period; 11:55 a.m.-12:17 p.m. - 4th period; and •Thursday - 11:30 a.m. to 12:17 p.m. - 5th period.

January Weather Warmer, Drier Than Normal

The weather across the Texas South Plains during the month of January was significantly warmer and drier than normal according to the National Weather Service in Lubbock.

Temperatures averaged 4.3 degrees above normal and ranged from 2.3 degrees above normal at Plainview to 6.0 degrees above normal at Brownfield. The highest temperature reported during the month was 84 degrees at several locations on the South Plains. The lowest temperature reported was 8.0 degrees at the Muleshoe Wildlife Refuge on Jan. 4.

Precipitation averaged .41 inches below normal and ranged from .62 inches below normal at Crosbyton to .16 inches above normal at Jayton. Snowfall averaged .11 inches across the South Plains and ranged from 1 inch over the northern South Plains to a trace at few locations.

Tahoka's average temperature for January was 44.8 degrees with .57 inches of total precipitation.



TWICE THE CHAMPIONS - For the second consecutive year, this Tahoka Middle School girls basketball team has claimed the District Championship title, first as seventh graders last year, and again this year as eighth graders. The 8th grade team boasts an 11-2 season record and 9-1 in district this year. They are, in back from left, Coach Cindy Gardner, Jackie Diggs, Ashanti Hood, Damesha Harris, Emily Botkin, Victoria Charo, Amy McAfee; middle row: Keiva Norwood, Ashley McNeely, Kelly Engle, Amy Garcia, Linsy Williams; front row: Corey Green, Haleigh Ross, Meredith Pittman, Dianna Marquez, and not shown, Lindsay Preston.

Boy Scouts To Put Out Flags Monday

The Tahoka Boy Scouts will be putting flags in front of local homes and businesses that are part of the Boy Scout Flag Membership Program on Monday, Feb. 21, in honor of President's Day. The Boy Scouts offer the program to residents for a \$25 yearly fee and put the flags out six times a year.

To subscribe to the program, send a check payable to BSA Pack #782 to P. O. Box 1044, Tahoka 79373; or call Freddy Lopez at 998-5043.

A mature flathead catfish of the Mississippi Valley can weigh up to 150 pounds.

'Lone Star Circle Of Life' Bike Tour Needs Riders

Cyclists are wanted to participate in the third annual "Lone Star Circle of Life" bike tour, scheduled to be held May 1-9. The "Millennium tour" will be nine days and will be limited to not more than 12 cyclist.

The purpose of the tour is to raise awareness of the need for life-saving donations of blood, marrow, organ banks, tissue services and transplant centers. The tour is a cooperative effort of the Texas centers of the national Marrow Donor Program, blood centers, organ banks, tissue services and transplant centers. The tour is scheduled to start in San Antonio and follow a route through La Grange, Houston, Crockett, Tyler, Dallas, Fort Worth, Waco, Temple and end in Austin. Along the route, local events will be scheduled including blood drives, marrow registrations and awareness events for organ and tissue donation.

Each day of the tour, the cyclist will ride for a Texan who is in need of or who has donated blood, plate-

lets, organs, tissues or marrow. The cyclists will have the specific person's name on the back of their jersey as they ride and will tell their honoree's story at each local event.

Riders need not be experts, but should be experienced cyclists in good physical condition. Cyclists whose lives have been touched by the need for blood, marrow, organ or tissues are especially encouraged to apply. Expenses of the riders for the event will be covered by corporate and private sponsorships.

To apply as a cyclist for the tour, fill out the application available on the circle of Life web site <circleoflife.sw.org> or call (888)724-2811. For information on route events or to receive a brochure on sponsorships, contact the Scott and White Marrow Donor Program at (888) 724-2811.

Hotline For Older Texans Offers Legal Service

State Representative David Counts (D-Knox City) reports to his constituents that the Texas Legal Services Center (TLSC) provides free or reduced cost legal services for low income, elderly Texans who need the help of an attorney.

The Legal Hotline for Older Texans offers legal assistance to Texans over the age of 60 who are below 125% of the federal poverty level and are having problems with health care, housing, and government benefits.

The hotline will discuss the facts of an individual's specific case to determine the type of legal services needed. Then they will make a referral to an attorney, and will offer a reduced fee schedule for their older clients.

The hotline also serves as a legal information clearinghouse. TLSC collects information from attorney's groups and advocacy organizations from across the state that is made available to anyone who calls. With one call, older Texans can get information about any legal issue.

Rep. Counts said, "I hope our elderly take advantage of this service, this is a good place to help find information that can sometimes be confusing and misleading."

The hotline is a public/non-profit partnership whereby the state funds part of the operations through the Basic Legal Services Fund.

Elderly Texans can access the hotline by calling 1-800-622-2520. To learn more about the hotline and other services offered by TLSC, interested individuals can visit the TLSC website at <www.tlsc.org>.

New Jail Facilities Proposal Halted; Commissioners Seek Public Input

by JUANELL JONES

Lynn County Commissioners did an about-face this week, backing off abruptly from pursuing plans for a new county jail facility after digging deeper into the financial issues concerning the project. And, all four commissioners and Lynn County Judge J.F. Brandon stated they wanted public input before making any decisions which could incur a large debt to the county.

"We want to table any decision on the jail expansion project at this time, and we want public input before making any decisions. This is just too big of a project and too much money involved for the five of us to make that kind of decision for the entire county," said Commissioner Mike Braddock, referring to the four commissioners and Judge Brandon.

Commissioners J.T. Miller, Sandy Cox Kizer, Don Morton and Judge Brandon unanimously concurred, voting to table the issue until further discussion and information was available and allowing time for Lynn County citizens to voice their opinions.

The about-face came Monday morning during regular session, following a Friday morning special session when commissioners delved deeper into the financial aspects of a proposed jail expansion project which was being considered. Commissioners unanimously voted to pursue the project at a meeting held last Monday, but a follow-up special session on Friday put a damper on their enthusiasm for the project.

Commissioners met with Vince Vaile of First Southwest Company, a finance company involved in such type projects, and Danny Butler of DVCI, and local representatives of the three Lynn County banks were invited to attend. John Krey of First National Bank of Tahoka, and Dan Cook and Kelly Livingston of Wilson State Bank attended the meeting, as well as Lynn County Sheriff Jake

Diggs. The meeting, which lasted just over an hour, covered the cost estimates and legal aspects regarding the financing of such a project.

"There were just too many figures that were questionable estimates, and when we began looking at a 20-year debt to pay off, we just decided we better back off and take another look," said one commissioner, who said that when figures jumped from an estimated \$2.3 million project to over \$4 million that the group backed away from making any firm decisions on the proposal.

Commissioners first eyed the proposal brought by Sheriff Diggs at a special meeting last Monday, considering the renovation of an existing building in Tahoka to a 48-bed jail facility. Last year, the county spent \$64,000 to send prisoners elsewhere because the existing 14-bed jail facility located just southeast of the county courthouse cannot accommodate all the prisoners booked.

Commissioners said the county spends anywhere from \$5,000 to \$8,000 per month on prison keep elsewhere, and were considering that savings from that as well as having extra beds to keep other state and federal prisoners would bring in extra funding to help pay for the new facility.

Commissioners invite county citizens to visit with them about their opinions on the proposed project and/or to suggest other options.

In other business at Monday morning's regular session, the court met in closed session for about 20 minutes with Lynn County Attorney James Napper to discuss a proposed contract with the Lynn County Appraisal District. Upon returning to open session, commissioners voted unanimously to approve the revised contract and submit it to the Appraisal District for their consideration.

All four commissioners were present for the meeting.

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Pages From The Past ...

by Vondell Elliott

'68 Cars Showing Today at Tahoka Auto Dealers

The new 1968 line of automobiles go on display today (Thursday) and are showing at all of Tahoka's dealerships.

Showing of the new models always creates a great deal of excitement and interest, this year's showing expected to be no different.

...Bray Chevrolet Company has on display the new line of Chevrolets including Chevrolet pickups, car lines, including Caprice, Impala, Chevelle, Camaro, Bel Air, Biscayne and Chevy II.

Bray held a V.I.P. preview Wednesday evening, showing six new '68's they have received plus several new Fleetside pickups. Chevrolet features two new additions this year, Impala and Caprice Custom Coupes, plus a complete restyling of the Chevelle line.

McCord Motor Company is showing the new line of wide-track '68 Pontiacs in a variety of styles. One model features an exclusive new idea, a bumper which is the same color as the car and won't chip, fade or corrode.

McCord is also dealer for International pickups.

Wayne Waters Ford, Inc., has the new 1968 "Idea Cars" from Ford on display, plus the lineup of Ford pickups and trucks. Included in the Ford line are Galaxies, LTDs, Fairlans, Falcons, Thunderbirds and Mustangs.

Among the Ford "new idea" lineup is an all-new Mustang model. Wharton Motors, Inc., has two major automotive lines to display, Oldsmobile and Buick, both new and different for 1968, plus the GMC truck line.

The olds line has been dubbed the "youngmobiles" and features several styling innovations as does the Buick line.

All of the new cars this year feature additional safety devices, many of which have been required by the government. One of the devices, standard in all the automobiles, but going by different trade names, is an air purification system...

- Sept. 21, 1967

Proud, Prosperous, Productive Selected As Slogan For Tahoka

"Proud, Prosperous, Productive ... Tahoka," was the winning entry submitted by Mrs. G.W. White in the contest which had been underway here for over a month to find an official slogan for the city.

And plans for using the slogan on bumper stickers and in other ways are already underway by the Tahoka Jaycees, sponsors of the slogan contest.

As winner of the contest, Mrs. White received a \$30 gift certificate redeemable at Tahoka merchants from the Jaycees and the Chamber of Commerce, co-donors.

Officially ending September 30, more than 100 entries were submitted in the contest, and were judged Tuesday afternoon by a committee headed by Tahoka Mayor Meldon Leslie.

remarking on the contest, Leslie said, "there were some very very good entries, it was difficult for us to make our final selection."

Asked what made her think of the slogan, Mrs. White said "I've lived here always, and think a person should be proud of their hometown, and you can't stay in a town unless it's prosperous and productive, so I thought all three together just fit Tahoka." She also added that the winning entry was the only one that she had submitted and that she had "never won anything before."

Guy Witt, chairman of the Jaycee committee which conducted the contest, extended his thanks in behalf of the club to everyone who helped with the contest, adding, "we appreciate the cooperation everyone gave us with the contest and certainly appreciate everyone who submitted an entry in the contest."

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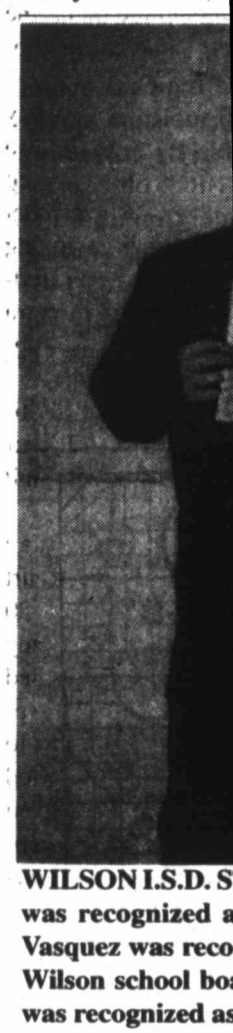
Mustang Bi-District

by Casey Donald and Wilson ISD Journalist

The Wilson boys basketball team placed in district play at Bi-District play on Tuesday, Feb. 22. Silverton at New gym at 7 p.m.

The Mustangs at the beginning of the season in Southland. They led Southland, and led after already beating the starters for Mustangs, all seniors, who led the Mustang Casey Donald with

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Mustangs All-District

by Billy Cavender Wilson ISD Journalist

Six Wilson Mustangs received basketball All-District honors. Seniors Casey Don Kirk were both named All-District.

Seniors Billy Patrick Zavala received All-District honors.

Named to the Honor team were junior Joseph sophomore Brian Ar Donald has also played in the annual All-

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Mustangs Gear Up For Bi-District Play-Offs

by Casey Donald and Billy Cavender
Wilson ISD Journalism Staff

The Wilson Mustangs varsity boys basketball team finished in second place in district 16-A behind the Jayton Jaybirds, to claim a spot in the Bi-District playoffs. The Mustangs will try for the bi-district win next Tuesday, Feb. 22 in a battle against Silverton at New Deal High School gym at 7 p.m.

The Mustangs went on a 3-0 run at the beginning of district play, beating Jayton, New Home, and Southland. They lost to Jayton, beat Southland, and lost to New Home after already beating them twice.

The starters for the Wilson Mustangs, all seniors, are J. Paul Kirk who led the Mustangs with 95 points; Casey Donald with 78 points; Patrick

Zavala with 78 points; and Billy Cavender with 41 points in district competition.

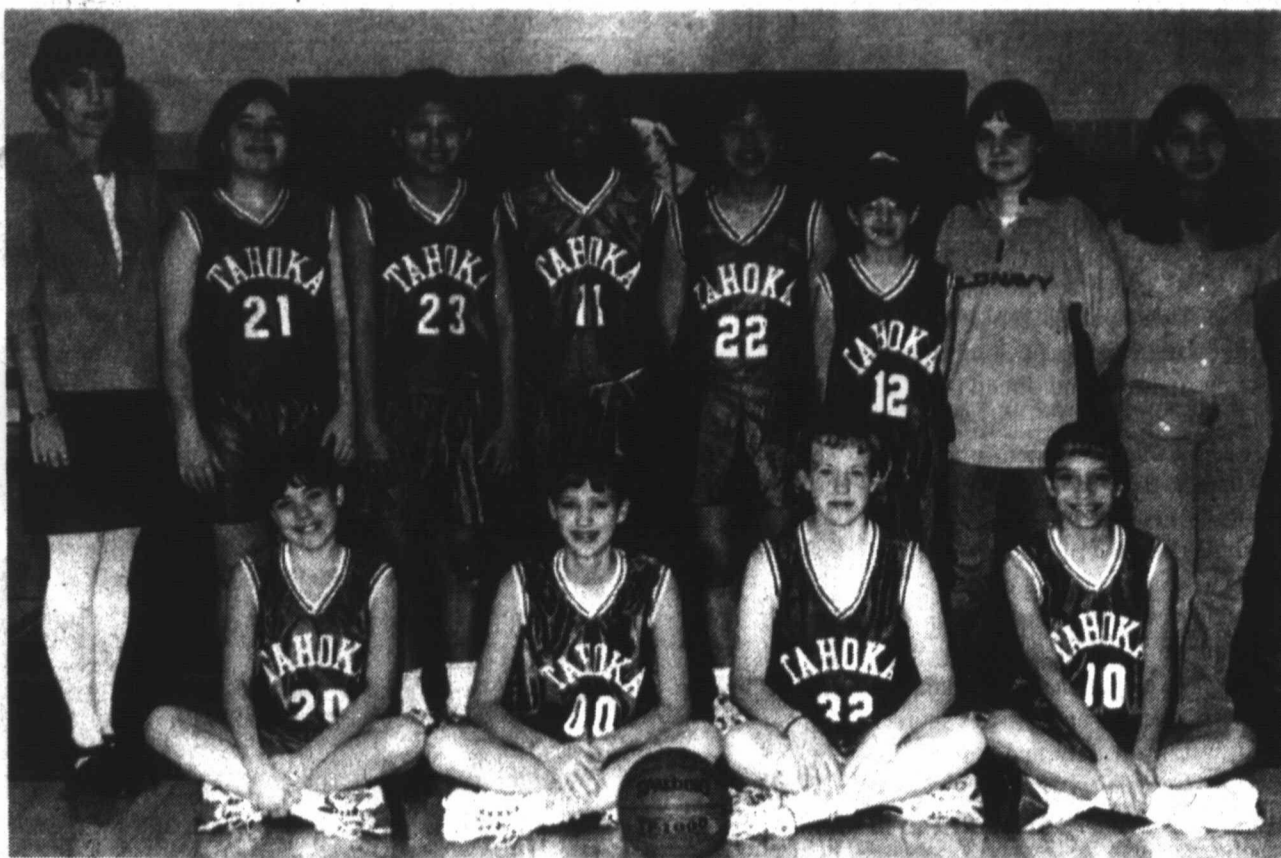
Sophomores Brian Arellano and Tommy Hernandez, and juniors Jordan Bednarz, and Michael Donathan played the other spot.

"This team has the ability to compete with any team in the area," said Coach Phillip Timmons.

"We look forward to the play-offs and I believe we can still be playing in March if we play as a team."

"We haven't played like we should, but we have the talent and the effort to go far," said Zavala.

For practice games, the Mustangs played the Grady Wildcats and are scheduled to play the Cotton Center Elks Friday at Cotton Center.

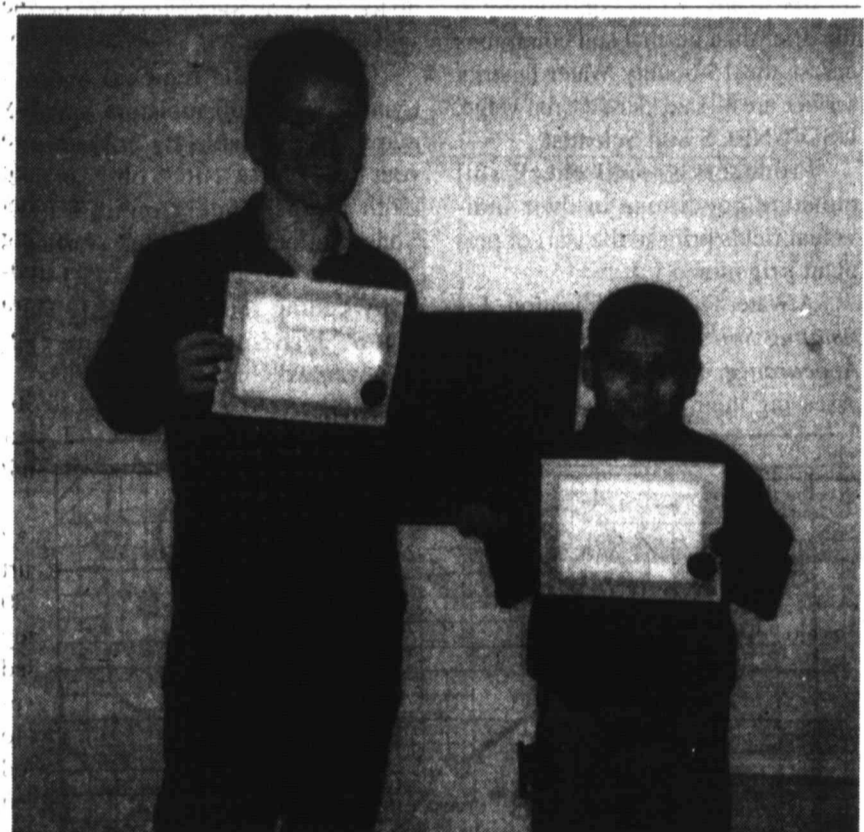


7TH GRADE DISTRICT CHAMPIONS - Tahoka Middle School 7th grade girls basketball team were undefeated in district play this year, going 10-0 to claim the District Championship title. Season record for the team was 11-2. They are, standing from left, Coach Cindy Gardner, Ashdon Hancock, Deborah Nambo, Angela Curtis, Erica Alvarado, Jessica Chancy, Lacey McCleskey, Tylessa Munoz; and in front, Sarah Box, Trista Wuensche, Skylar Owens and Krista Norwood.

Wilson School Menu

February 21-25
Breakfast
Monday: Blueberry Muffins, Juice, Milk.
Tuesday: Breakfast Pizza, Juice, Milk.
Wednesday: Waffles, Juice, Milk.
Thursday: Sausage, Eggs, Toast, Juice, Milk.
Friday: Donuts, Juice, Milk.
Lunch
Monday: Sloppy Joes, Fries, Fruit, Milk.
Tuesday: Vegetable Beef Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Fruit, (HS-Nacho Bar), Milk.
Wednesday: Enchiladas, Spanish Rice, Refried Beans, Cobbler, Milk.
Thursday: Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Corn, Toast, (HS-Potato Bar), Milk.
Friday: Pizza, Salad, Crackers, Fruit, Milk.

Make Plans to attend the 20th Annual LYNN COUNTY HOSPITAL AUXILIARY Fun/Food Fest APRIL 1ST



WILSON I.S.D. STUDENTS OF THE MONTH - Jamie Cavender (left) was recognized as "Secondary Student of the Month" and Gilbert Vasquez was recognized as "Elementary Student of the Month" by the Wilson school board at a recent school board meeting. Vickie Berrier was recognized as "Employee of the Month."

Mustangs Receive All-District Honors

by Billy Cavender
Wilson ISD Journalism Staff

Six Wilson Mustangs have received basketball All-District honors. Seniors Casey Donald and J. Paul Kirk were both named to First Team All-District.

Seniors Billy Cavender and Patrick Zavala received Second Team All-District honors.

Named to the Honorable Mention team were junior Jordan Bednarz and sophomore Brian Arellano.

Donald has also been selected to play in the annual All-Star Game.

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The WILSON News by Buster Abbe 628-6368

Wilson Fire Department Tip of the Week:

Drivers are reminded that the exhaust system of your automobile gets quite hot. Drivers need to be careful if they have to pull to the shoulder of the road and the grass and other plants are long enough to come into contact with the catalytic converter or other parts of the exhaust system. These items can be hot enough to catch the plant growth on fire especially if it is really dry, as it is now. Be sure to have a fire extinguisher in the trunk of your car. It should be a Class A-B-C which will, normally, be usable on any type of a fire.

PRAY

The Wilson Lions Club will meet Thursday night (tonight) and after the meal, the Wilson High School Jazz Band will present the program. Community members are invited to attend, but if you wish to eat, please contact club secretary, Robert Abbe, and let him know ahead of time so that the club can be sure to provide enough food. Meal cost will be \$6 per plate.

FOR

The Wilson Mustang boys basketball team will be advancing to the play-offs with a bi-district game on Feb. 22. The opponent will be Silverton and tentative plans call for the game to be played at New Deal beginning at 7 p.m. The boys will have a practice game versus Cotton Center this Friday at 6 p.m.

RAIN

Wilson students will have a holiday on Friday, Feb. 18. This will be a teacher workday at the end of the 4th six weeks. It's hard to believe there are only 12 weeks left in the 99-00 school year.

OR

Wilson students and faculty are looking forward to this year's upcoming spring break which will be the week of March 13-17. Most of the time, the faculty is looking towards this break just as much as the students.

SNOW

Monday, Feb. 21 will be observed as Presidents' Day and as such many gov-

ernmental offices and financial institutions will be closed. The City of Wilson offices, Wilson State Bank, and the Wilson Post Office will all be closed on Monday but will re-open on Tuesday.

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The City of Tahoka will remove personal artifacts and other prohibited floral arrangements, etc. at Nevels Cemetery on Feb. 23-24, and are hereby notifying those who wish to retrieve such items to do so by this date, or they will be removed.

These restrictions will be strictly enforced by the City of Tahoka, according to the rules approved by city government. A complete listing of Nevels Memorial Cemetery Restrictions is available at Tahoka City Hall, 1612 Lockwood, Tahoka, phone (806) 998-4211.

Wedding Announcement Policy

The Lynn County News accepts wedding announcements at no charge if run within 8 weeks following the event. A \$35 fee will be assessed if run after that time.

All information is subject to editing. Wedding and Engagement forms are available at the Lynn County News Office, 1617 Main, P.O. Box 1170, Tahoka, TX 79373, (806) 998-4888, Fax 998-6308.

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Funds Available To Assist Low Income Families

South Plains Community Action Association, Inc. (SPCAA) has received funding from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs to operate the Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program (CEAP) now through December.

The primary intent of this program is to make funds available to enable SPCAA to respond to energy needs affecting low-income households. Priority will be given to eligible households containing one or more persons age 60 or above, a handicapped individual and families with young children under the age of 6.

For additional information concerning the program, contact Odellia Sastre or Sara Alvarado between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at 1629 Ave. J in Tahoka, 998-4521.



In music, an 1/32 note is also called a "demisemiquaver."

Dates Set For Lady Texan Basketball Camp

South Plains College head women's basketball coach Lyndon Hardin has announced the dates for the 2000 Lady Texan Basketball Camp. Two separate camps will be held on the campus of South Plains College in Levelland, June 11-16 and June 18-23.

The camps are open to all girls in grades five through twelve. The camp is designed to accommodate both day and overnight campers.

The purpose of the camp is to provide young women with an opportunity to improve their basketball skills. The camp teaches fundamentals of basketball and stresses sportsmanship, team play and self-confidence. High school age campers will also have the opportunity to work on team concepts.

Cost for the camp is \$235 for overnight campers and includes room and board in college residence halls. Day campers who eat in Texan Hall pay \$195 while day campers who do not eat on campus pay \$125.

For more information, contact head women's basketball coach Lyndon Hardin at 894-9611, ext 2224.



ENOUGH SED—Sedrick Williams scored 18 big points for Tahoka against Coahoma Tuesday, going high here for a jump shot. With this win, Tahoka ended the regular season undefeated in district, the first time for a Bulldog boys team in 33 years.

(LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

Four To Ten Inches Of Moisture May Be Needed To Bring Lynn County Soils To Field Capacity

Lynn County producers within the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 may need from four to ten inches of water from irrigation and/or precipitation to bring the five-foot root zone soil profile to field capacity prior to spring 2000 planting, according to pre-plant soil moisture data released by the Water District and the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (USDA-NRCS).

At the time pre-plant soil moisture readings were made in November/December 1999, approximately 40 percent of Lynn County needed four to six inches of moisture, 53 percent of the county needed from six to eight inches of moisture, and seven percent of the county needed from eight to ten inches of moisture.

"The lack of fall precipitation, and an extended growing season resulting from a later than normal winter freeze are factors contributing to the drier than normal soil conditions across the 15-county Water District service area," said Gerald Crenwelle, USDA-NRCS Soil Scientist.

Producers should check soil moisture conditions in their individual fields prior to the start of pre-plant irrigation.

A Water District publication, *Estimating Soil Moisture By Feel and Appearance*, can guide producers in assessing their soil moisture condi-

tions. Anyone residing within the High Plains Water District service area can receive a free copy by contacting the District's Lubbock office at (806) 762-0181.

Historical data shows that above-average crop yields are more likely when the five-foot root zone soil profile is at or near field capacity prior to planting field crops.

Since soils are drier, Crenwelle says producers need to keep their soils prepared so that they can readily absorb any precipitation that occurs during the pre-plant and growing seasons. In addition, he reminds producers to utilize techniques such as furrow diking to keep rainfall from running off the field.

"Once moisture is stored in the soil, producers should keep it there by limiting tillage practices that might turn moist soil to the surface, where the moisture can evaporate and no longer be available for plant use," said Crenwelle.

Copies of the regional and/or Lynn County soil moisture survey maps are available by contacting your local USDA-NRCS office or the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 office, 2930 Ave. Q, Lubbock 79405-1499 or by calling (806) 762-0181. The Water District's web site is <www.hpwd.com>.

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TDA Proposes Rules For Organic Cotton In Boll Weevil Eradication Zones

The Texas Department of Agriculture last week proposed rules establishing guidelines for organic cotton production in active boll weevil eradication zones. TDA is hosting hearings in Lubbock, Lamesa and Muleshoe to take comments on the proposal rules.

"These proposed rules are merely a draft," said Matt Brockman, special assistant for Producer Relations. "We want the cotton industry to take these hearings and the comment period seriously and provide us with the best input possible."

TDA developed the rules to maintain the effectiveness of the boll weevil eradication program as well as to protect the integrity of TDA's organic certification standards and the crops marketed under the program. The proposed rules published in the Texas Register establish an indemnification program for growers who must destroy organic cotton crops due to infestation in active eradication zones.

Growers who must destroy organic cotton crops, or who forgo the planting of organic cotton in favor of an alternative crop, will be compensated according to a proposed formula. The plan takes into consideration the growers' historical planting patterns, yields used in the federal crop insurance program and historical data relating to prices paid for organic cotton, lint and seed.

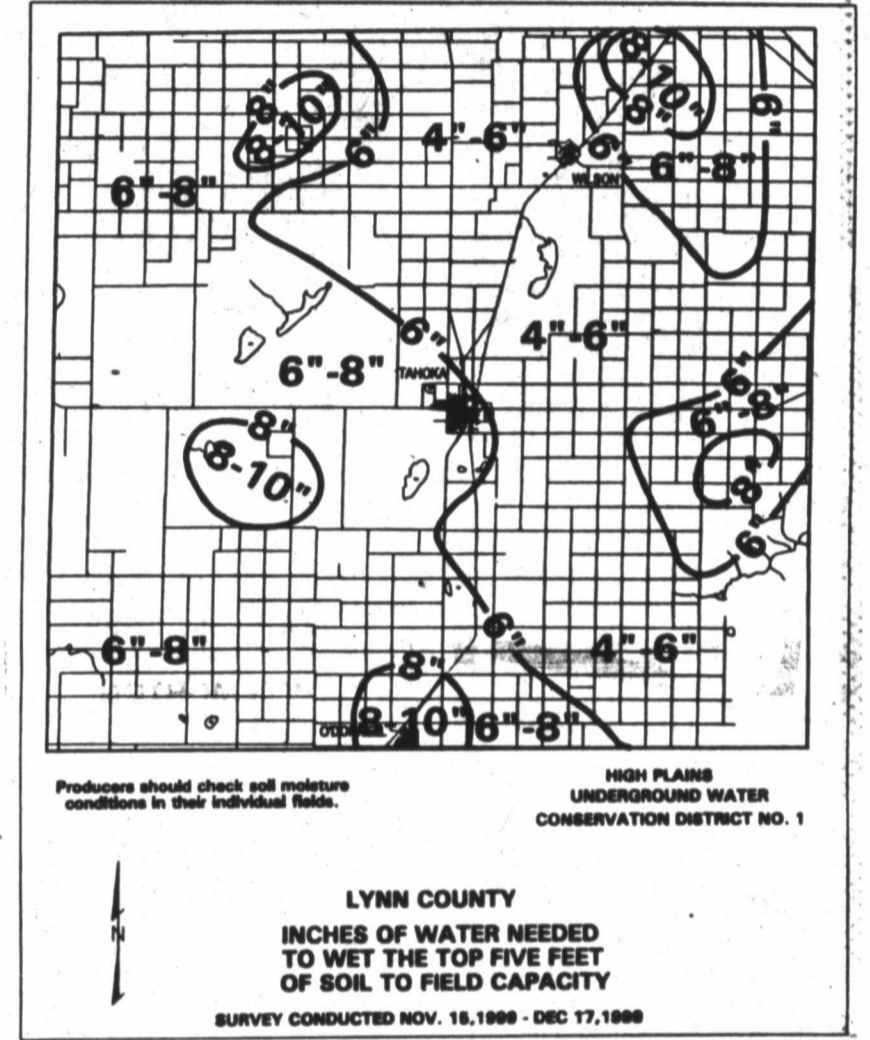
Adjustments will be made to any indemnification due from the proceeds of the alternative crop and for other factors like administrative costs, ginning costs and other costs

associated with treatments around organic cotton fields. Only growers who have an established history of organic cotton will be eligible for indemnification. Acres not having an established planting history before the 2000 crop year will not be eligible for indemnification.

"We need to develop a system that respects the integrity of the eradication effort; but also does not place financial hardship on the organic cotton growers who will be impacted by the program," Brockman said. "In the long run boll weevil eradication will be good for all cotton farmers."

Texas recently has seen a dramatic reduction in boll weevil numbers. Significant reduction in the pest has reduced production costs and increased yields in areas of the state where eradication programs have been in operation for three or more years. More than 3 million acres of Texas cotton is in active eradication.

TDA will take comments for 30 days, starting Feb. 11. Those who would like to comment can write TDA at P.O. Box 12847, Austin 78711, or fax TDA at (512) 463-1104. To comment over the telephone or for more information, call Matt Brockman or Scott Heselmeyer at (512) 463-7593. TDA's three hearings will be at the following locations: • Lubbock—10:30 a.m., Feb. 21, Texas Agricultural Research and Extension Center, 1/2 mile east of I-27 on FM 1294; • Lamesa—3 p.m., Feb. 21, Dawson County Annex, 609 N. First Street; • Muleshoe—9 a.m., Feb. 22, Muleshoe State Bank, 1010 West American Blvd.



It is the heart that always sees, before the head can see. —Thomas Carlyle



Besides being a monarch and ruler of the empire, Queen Victoria was also the mother of nine children and filled 110 albums with family photographs.

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Santos & Lupe Rodriguez
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We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude for the many acts of kindness shown to us during the recent loss of our special "Ma." For the flowers, the food, the memorials, the cards and especially the love and comforting words, we say thank you. We would also like to say thank you to the doctors and nurses at the Lynn County Hospital for your kindness and caring service. Ma was one special lady who seemed to always see the good in everyone she met. We were blessed to have her for 94 years and although we will miss her greatly, we will all cherish our memories of her. Thanks again for being such a caring and loving community.
The family of Tennie Meeks
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I would like to thank all of my wonderful friends for the visits, cards, calls, and prayers during my recent surgery and while I'm recovering at home. Thanks also to Jerry Becknal, Marvin Gregory and Charlie Stice for their visits to the hospital and their prayers. It's wonderful to live in a town where people care for one another — friends really are the best medicine. Again, thanks for everything, your kindness means so much to me.
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The city reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. 7-3tc

CITY OF TAHOKA HOUSING ASSISTANCE HOME APPLICATION DEADLINE
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The City of Tahoka will be accepting signatures from interested low-to-moderate income homeowners throughout the City desiring financial assistance for needed housing reconstruction. The assistance is being sought through a grant application by the City under the HOME Investment Partnerships Act Program operated by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs. Persons wanting to express interest for this assistance may sign a contact list Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at Tahoka City Hall, or call 998-4211. 5-4tc

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TAHOKA SPORTS NEWS

by the THS Growl Staff

Varsity Boys by Cory Gardner

The varsity Bulldogs completed a 10-0 perfect district season Tuesday with a 81-47 win against the Coahoma Bulldogs. Statistics show that the last time a Bulldog team went undefeated in district was thirty three years ago in 1967.

The Dawgs stomped the Seagraves Eagles last Tuesday at home 81-46.

Leading scorers for the Dawgs were Brad Pebsworth and Shaun Williams with 16 points each. Randy White sunk 11, Larry Davis 9, Jordan Sarchet and Blandon Hancock 7 each, Brady Raindl 6, Sedrick Williams 4 and Bobby Benavidez and Jason Jaquess 2 each.

The Dawgs defeated the Plains Cowboys last Friday, 60-41.

Leading scorer was Pebsworth with 21 points. Sarchet put in 10, Raindl 8, Sed Williams and Davis 6 each, White 5 and Shaun Williams and Hancock 2 each.

It is possible that the Bulldogs will play a practice game tomorrow night (Friday) against Shallowater at Lubbock Coronado at 6 p.m.

JV Boys by Keely Boone

The junior varsity Bulldogs are 13-13 and have a district record of 7-2.

The Dawgs beat the Seagraves Eagles 57-31 Tuesday, Feb. 8.

Michael DeLeon led the team with 11 points.

Derrick Barrientez and Martin Garza sunk 10 pints, Ren Ellis and Josh Thompson 7, Mark Long 5, Brandon McCord 4, and Chris McAllister 3.

The Plains Cowboys beat the Dawgs 40-61 last Friday.

Garza led with 9 points.

Adrian Moore and Long had 8 points, McCord 6, Thompson 3, and Andrews, Ellis and DeLeon 2 each.

The JV played Coahoma for their last season game on Tuesday.

JV Girls by Chelsea White

The junior varsity Lady Bulldogs finished their basketball season 6-15 overall and 0-10 in district. Nine of their losses were by less than 10 points.

"We had a young team," said Coach Shari John, "and I felt like by the end of the season we pulled together and started playing much better as a team. By the end of the year, we improved 100% because of dedication and hard work from each team member."

Junior Judi Webster led stats with 167 season points.

Kirsten Tillman followed close behind with 125.

Kalese Hammonds sunk 77, Kayla Griffin 73, D'Lynn Stone 49, Lana Jones 42, D'Lea Autry 37, Kyndal Byrd 33, and Kalah Bartley 18.

Freshman Boys by Carrie Gregory

Twelve freshmen Bulldogs finished a perfect 9-0 season and earned bragging rights as the undisputed district champions.

B.J. Andrews holds top scoring honors with 146 for the freshmen team. Kellen Flowers put in 78 season points.

Other team members include Blake Ashcraft 27, Warren Baker 24, Stephen Brookshire 62, Randy Chapa 31, Brandon McCord 47, Adrian Moore 55, Josh Pridmore 2, Kent Stone 4, Bryan Valdez 51, and Matt Varner 28.

"The freshmen team played very well together, showed character, and had three comeback wins," said Coach Rusty Frazier. "They played hard each and every game and that's why they won."

8th Grade Boys by Lana Cloe

The eighth grade boys ended their basketball season 4-13. In district competition the team ended 3-10.

Frankie Arriaga led the Dawgs season with 130 points for the season.

Zack Collins sunk 75, Casey Hall 51, Christ Ashbrook 39, Michael Nance 32, Eric Green 18, Chris Engle and Brady Askew 18 each, Ryan Brown 11, Landon Bartley 10, Michael Deleon and Hunter Blasingame 6 each, Colby Williams 5, Tyler Hawthorne 4 and Michael Elrod 2.

"The boys played hard and improved tremendously since last year," said Coach Brent John. "I was very proud of them."

8th Grade Girls by Chelsey Miller

The eighth grade Lady Bulldogs A Team won 10-2 for the season and scored 610 points.

High scorer for the season was Damesha Harris with 223 points.

Others scoring were Ashanti Hood 106, Victoria Charo 71, Emily Botkin 51, Kelly Engle 45, Amy Garcia 43, Lynsy Williams 36, Ashley McNeely and Jackie Diggs 13 each, and Kieva Norwood 9.

The B Team went 3-7 for the season with 53 points.

High scorer was Haleigh Ross with 24 points.

Others contributing for the season were Dianna Marquez 13, Lindsay Preston 7, Meredith Pittman 6, and Corey Green 3.

"The bus trips were a celebration of winning that included dancing and just getting to know each other. It was awesome," said one Lady Bulldog.

"This team is a very talented group that has a love for the game of basketball. They will make a winning mark for THS athletics," said Coach Cindy Gardner.

7th Grade Boys by Tiffany Morales

The Tahoka seventh grade A Bulldogs ended the basketball season 6-6.

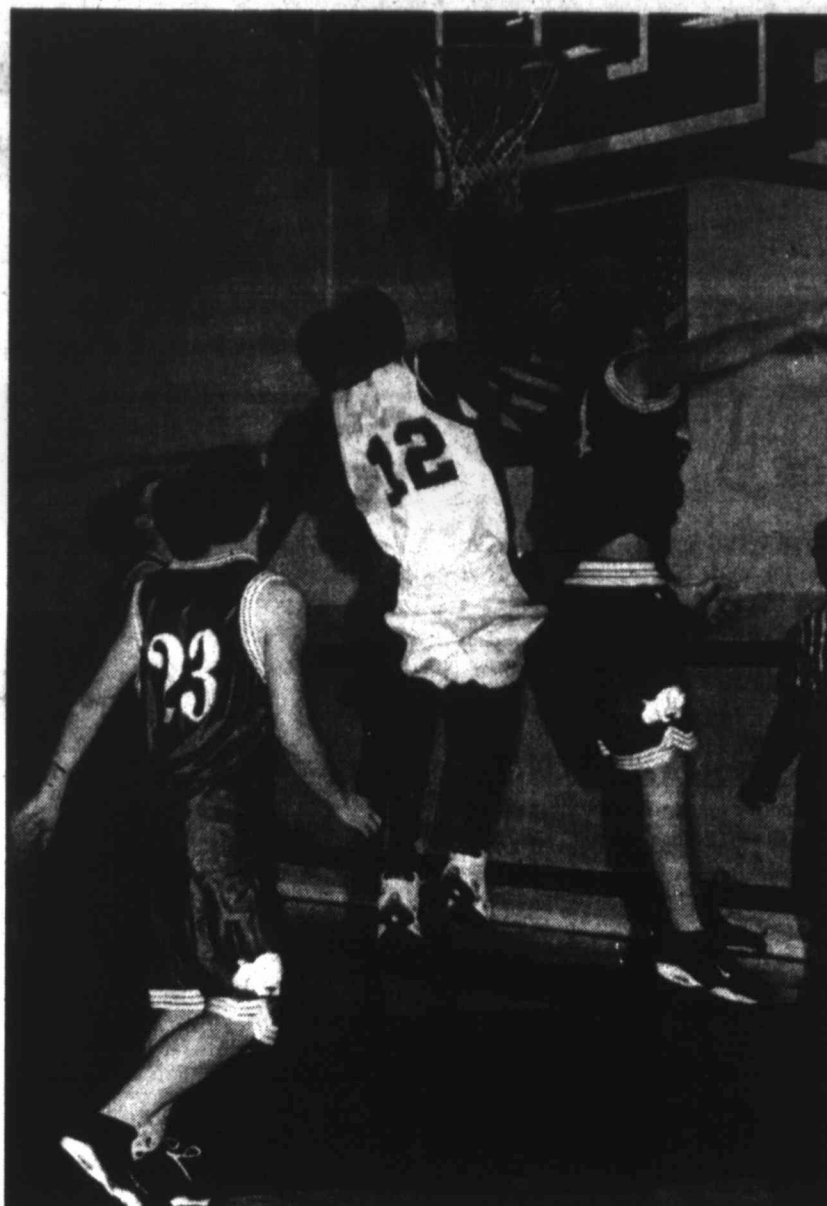
Gary Gonzales earns high point scoring for the Dogs season with 96 points. Chase Tillman comes in second with 61 season points.

Other team members include Daniel Garza 44, Cade Miller 44, Ramon Vega 36, Nick Rodriguez 30, Brookshire 27, Monte Jolly 22, Chase Autry 7, James DeLeon 8, Dustin, Nick, Raul Virruetta 8, Lupe Riojas and James Loftis.

The seventh grade B team ended the season 3-1.

James DeLeon took high point scorer for the season with 11 points.

Other members of the team are Virruetta 7, Riojas 5, Julian Quintero 2,



BULLDOGS ROLL-Tahoka Guard Larry Davis lets one fly for the basket here against Coahoma. The Bulldogs won big and wound up the regular season with a 24-7 record, earning a bye in the bi-district playoffs and advancing to the Area round next week.

(LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

Trevor Cook and Loftis.

"They had lots of potential and nothing but improvement through the season," said Coach Robert Webb.

7th Grade Girls by Janet Dotson

The seventh grade Lady Dogs ended the season 10-2 and 10-0 in district to take the district championship.

Ashdon Hancock led the Lady Dogs with 170 points for the season.

Angela Curtis followed close behind with 154, Skylar Owens 75, Trista Wuensche 56, Krista Norwood 44, Sarah Box 12, Deborah Nambo 10 and Jessica Chancy 5.

"The girls were a very coachable team that worked hard," said Coach Cindy Gardner. "They made a strong statement to the district by going 10-0. They will always be winners."

Area Students Named To SPC Honors Lists

Three Lynn County students were named to the Honors Lists at South Plains College for the 1999 fall semester.

Jami Burrow of New Home was named to the President's Honor List. Students named to the President's List must maintain a 4.0 grade point average while carrying a full-time minimum number of hours of college-level work.

Named to the Dean's Honor List were Charitie Delgado of Wilson and Krystle Calvillo of Tahoka. Students named to the Dean's List must maintain a minimum 3.25 grade point average while enrolled in full-time college-level work.

ATPE Charters Local Group

The state's largest educators' group has chartered a new local unit in Wilson ISD. The board of directors of the Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE) approved the charter during a recent meeting in Austin.

Officers for the Wilson ATPE unit are all employed by Wilson ISD and include Peggy McCoy, president; Phil Timmons, vice-president; Michelle Evitt, secretary, and Torey Ehler, treasurer.

ATPE has nearly 100,000 members and has more than 700 local units throughout the state.

"We are looking forward to having Wilson educators join other educators at our annual convention next month where they will benefit from networking with other teachers and learning the latest education tools in professional development sessions," said Connie Kilday, ATPE president.

ATPE will celebrate its 20th anniversary at the convention, which is scheduled March 30-April 1 in corpus Christi. Its membership consists primarily of classroom teachers but also includes administrators, paraprofessionals, college students and retired educators.

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