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TAHOKA, LYNN COUNTY, TEXAS

**THURSDAY, MAY 29, 2003** 



**OFFICIALLY SWORN IN – 106th District Judge Carter Schildknecht** swore in Mark A. Marshall of Tahoka as an attorney on Tuesday, May 20 in the district courtroom. Marshall passed the State Bar Exam recently, and is an associate with Huffaker-Furlow law firm in Tahoka.

## **Steve Wiseman Hired** As TISD Teacher/Coach

trict Board of Trustees approved employment of another TISD graduate this week, hiring Steve Wiseman as an assistant coach/science teacher at Tahoka High School, dependent upon Wiseman's completion of science certification. Trustees met in special session Monday night to consider a couple of action items, and Wiseman was unanimously approved for a probationary multi-assignment contract.

Tahoka Independent School Dis- on the proposal, which will leave the food service as is, under the management of TISD officials. Administration had considered contracting out the food service management.

Supt. Parker informed trustees that a Texas Education Agency monitor had review the district's ESL program and were "pleased with our program." He noted that board training would be held June 3 at the Educa-

## **Polls Open Tuesday For Runoff Election**

Early voting continues through Friday, May 30 for the runoff election for U.S. Representative for District 19. Two Republicans, Randy Neugebauer of Lubbock and Mike Conaway of Midland, led a slate of 17 candidates in the race and are the final two candidates in the runoff election for the seat.

In Lynn County, early voting is being conducted at the Lynn County Clerk's Office in the courthouse during regular business hours, 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. weekdays.

The election will be held Tuesday, June 3, with voting polls open in four places in Lynn County from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. that day. In Tahoka, voters should go to the Lynn County Courthouse basement to mark their ballots. Elsewhere in the county, voting polls will be open at New Home City Hall, O'Donnell High School, and the Wilson Museum building.



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BIG GOPHERS? - Mounds of dirt surround Fuzzy's Station in Tahoka as the Texas Environmental Quality (LCN PHOTO) Commission digs to check wells.

## **Methodist Church Plans 100th Anniversary Event**

First United Methodist Church of Tahoka is celebrating their 100th anniversary in 2003, and have scheduled a celebration for Oct. 26. A Centennial Committee has begun planning for the event, and is seeking information, photos and recipes from church members and former members.

one in the picture and bring them to the church office. We can assure you that the pictures will be taken care of and returned to you following the celebration," said Wells.

Also, if anyone would like to share what the church has meant to them throughout the years, they are invited to write down their thoughts.

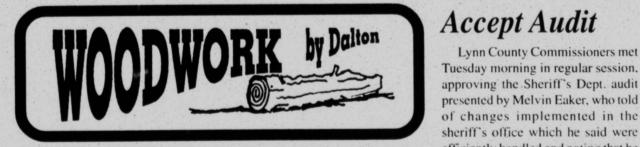
"We are looking for old pictures, or special stories or any other perti-

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Superintendent Jimmy Parker also announced the resignation of high school science teacher Matthew Hudspeth.

Trustees considered a proposal for food service management for the school cafeteria, but took no action

tion Service Center in Lubbock. Five of seven trustees were present for the one-hour meeting, including Math Bartley, Frank McLelland, Leighton Knox, Jr., Jimmy Dorman and Valton Stephens. Trustees Carmen Chapa and Joe Calvillo were absent.



AFTER 122 years, the Lincoln County (NM) sheriff's office has decided to investigate the jailbreak by Billy the Kid, in which he shot and killed a deputy. I know that the wheels of justice sometimes turn slowly, but this ought to be a record.

According to a recent newspaper report, the current sheriff of Lincoln County, Tom Sullivan, and one of his deputies, are trying to get the governor of New Mexico to authorize some state police assistance in the investigation, which also would try to determine if Billy the Kid really was the person shot to death by Sheriff Pat Garrett on July 14, 1881 in Fort Sumner.

They also want to learn if William H. Bonney (Billy the Kid's real name) had an accomplice in the escape from the jail in Lincoln, NM on April 28, 1881. They think maybe a fragment of the bullet which may be lodged in a wall at the historic courthouse might be able to help determine if it was from the deputy's own gun or another supplied to Billy by an accomplice.

I have explored the old courthouse and jail in Lincoln and viewed what supposedly was a bullet hole created by Billy Bonney at the time he killed deputy Bob Something (Oller?). I had read about the event in a book by Walter Burns, several years after I learned to read about 65 years ago. And I can't imagine how they would know whose gun fired the shot, unless they still have the deputy's gun, and would have the nerve to fire it again.

The investigation seeks to determine if Pat Garrett shot the wrong man, as some claim. At least two people later claimed to have been the Kid, and some others contend that a body buried in England is the Kid's. (They may have William Bonney confused with William Shakespeare).

I once heard that a history teacher in a high school once introduced a chapter on history of the American West by saying "Billy the Kid is believed to have killed 21 people by the time he was 21 years old."

And a girl in the classroom held up her hand and asked, "What kid of car did HE drive?"

THE OLD GUY at Grassland says "Never, under any circumstances, take a sleeping pill and a laxative on the same night."

**ASHLEY GILL** Commissioners Accept Audit

audit as presented.

sioners approved both requests.

and jail.

## ZAC MORRIS New Home **Students Elected To FFA Offices**

Zac Morris and Ashley Gill of the New Home FFA were recently Lynn County Commissioners met elected into office by the members Tuesday morning in regular session. of Area II FFA. Ashley was elected as the 2003-2004 District FFA Presipresented by Melvin Eaker, who told dent of the Mesa District. The Mesa of changes implemented in the district consists of 17 surrounding sheriff's office which he said were towns.

efficiently handled and noting that he Ashley Gill is currently a junior found everything in order. He asked at New Home High School and the daughter of Pat and Stacey Gill. She the court to consider changes for a has been a very active member of the travel expense log sheet in the near future. Commissioners approved the New Home FFA. She has been a part of the Chapter Conducting team. Probation Officer Bill Schoemann Radio team, Wool team, Horse team. addressed the court about renovating and Creed speaking. She has also the third floor for office space, which showed animals and been very accommissioners said they would take tively involved in other organizations of New Home.

into consideration at budget time. Susan Tipton, Centennial Chair-Zac Morris was voted by Area II person, asked commissioners to alto serve as the nominee for state oflow any county resident free use of fice. Zac will run for a position at the the landfill on Saturday, June 7 dur-State Convention this summer at ing community clean-up day. She Houston. He will be a state officer. also asked permission to use the basebut votes will decide which position ment courtroom, tables and chairs he will receive. Zac has served as the during the County Centennial Cel-Mesa District President, and as the ebration on June 21, and commis-Area II President. He nas been a member of the Radio team. Dairy Cattle team, and Job interview con-Monthly bills were approved. Sheriff Bob Wilson reported on the test. He has shown animals for several years and has been very active activities of the sheriff's department in the New Home School.

"As far as we know Zac will be All four commissioners were the first student from New Home to present for the meeting led by County serve as a State Officer." said one sponsor.

Lynn County Courthouse	Weather			
Centennial	Date	High	Low	Precip.
Ornaments	May 21	67	50	0.01
are available at the courthouse.	May 22	78	54	
First National Bank of Tahoka,	May 23	92	55	
& several businesses in Tahoka,	May 24	88	64	0.25
Wilson State Bank in Wilson,	May 25	75	66	0.10
First National Bank of O'Donnell nd from Barbara White, New Home	May 26	68	61	0.46
	May 27	77	53	
All proceeds benefit Phebe K. Warner Club Scholarship Funds	Total Precip. to date: 1.44"			
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such as former pastors and their families, weddings, baptisms, revivals, camp, Sunday school classes, cookouts, etc.," said Haney Wells, chairman of the committee. "Also, we would like any pictures that might show the old church as it used to look. inside and out. Please identify every-

#### **All Sports Reunion Planned For July**

Tahoka's All Sports Reunion will be held this year on July 19 at T-Bar Country Club. Golf for men and women will be offered at 10 a.m. with an evening meal planned for 7:30 p.m.

The reunion, which is held every three years, is open to all Bulldog exes and their spouses as well as former teachers and coaches from Tahoka High School. Jake Jacobs will be in attendance at this year's reunion.

Those planning to attend the reunion are asked to RSVP to Joe Brooks at 806-561-4152 or Jimmy Williams at 806-327-5264 as soon as possible so that organizers may plan fo food, etc.

## **Police Check Out Collision**, Threat

One traffic accident in the city Wednesday, May 21, resulted in no injuries.

A 2001 Ford pickup driven by Ann Marie Barrientez, 19, of Tahoka and a 2002 Dodge pickup driven by Sherry Beth Paschal, 47, also of Tahoka, collided on Lockwood near Ave. K.

Police also investigated a report of one teenage girl threatening to beat up another.

In jail during the week were two persons for driving while license suspended, two for driving while intoxicated, and six others on these charges: possession of marijuana, no valid drivers license, unlawfully carrying a weapon, possession of marijuana plus warrants from Scurry, Potter and Nolan counties, warrant from Lynn County, and warrants from Scurry, Potter and Nolan counties.

nent information which they would like to share with others.

Recipes are also being sought for a centennial cookbook. Please submit favorite recipes to Marcy Whitley at the church office. Beth Huffaker, Pat Park or Virginia Griffing. There is no limit on how many recipes to be submitted, but recipes should be submitted as soon as possible so that the centennial anniversary cookbook may be prepared for the Oct. 26 event.

A pewter cross depicting a drawing of the church has been designed commemorating the church's centennial, which is being sold for \$15 each. The crosses are available at the church office. Tahoka Drug, Lynn County News, or Paris 'n' Bloom.

Recipes, photos or other information may be brought to the church office or mailed to First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 500, Tahoka. TX 79373. The church's e-mail address is fumctahoka@juno.com, and the church phone number is 806-561-4503.

#### **Baseball/Softball Blowout Set Saturday Here**

Area residents are invited to watch local and area youth at a Baseball/Softball Blowout in Tahoka this Saturday, May 31. The baseball games begin at 10 a.m. at the baseball field, with the Rangers playing the Mets, followed by the Phillies and Dodgers at 11:30, Reds and Yankees at 1:30, Rockies and Cardinals at 5:00, and Braves vs. A's at 7 p.m. Tahoka Junior League Boys will play at 6:30 at the high school baseball. field.

The softball games begin at 11 a.m. with the Cardinals playing the D-backs. At 6 p.m. the Tahoka Majors will play Slaton, and at 8 p.m. Tahoka vs. Blue Crush. All games will be played at the softball field.

A Home Run Derby is set for 3 o'clock at the high school field.

Ice cream, burgers, sausage wraps and other concession items will be available throughout the day.

Judge H.G. Franklin. Lynn County Courthouse Centennial Ornaments

#### **Best Availabl**

#### Hammonds, S Receive SPC

Two students from ceived departmental a South Plains College's Awards Assembly in L Students were sel

ulty in their college de :: outstanding academic ments and contribution room

Shannon Hammo the award for Academ in Anatomy and Physic the daughter of Ben Calloni and is married Hammonds. She was

Dean's Honor List. Amanda Sanders

"These students a best of the best at SPC : very involved in the lif pus," said Terry Isaacs, fessor of history and a ceremonies for the asse

#### **Food Booth**: **Wanted For** Centennial

Non-profit organiz vited to participate County Centennial C June 21 by sponsoring There is no fee for boo organizations will be a type of food/concession first-come, first-serve

To reserve booth s Centennial Chairman at 561-4750 (day) or 9 nings),

#### **T-Bar Host** Golf Tourr

T-Bar Country Clu ing three golf tournam On June 7 & 8, the cli Two-Person Slat, tee a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Fee and mulligans are \$5 extra

The second tourn June 21-22, a One-Scramble. Fee is \$30/p is 8:30 a.m. and 1:00 tra.

June 27 will be Re registration is at 12:00

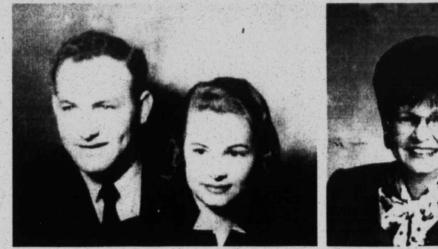
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# **South Plains Leaders** Are Putting Their Names On The Line For

## **Randy Neugebauer**

Randy understands jobs, agriculture, ranching and energy issues in a way only a man whose family makes their living from those areas can know. His family has lived on the South Plains for nearly 100 Years.

- Randy will fight to keep the Farm Bill intact to keep our economy strong and moving. He will ensure our country's international policy honors our farm and energy policy.
- And, Randy's record of working with Larry Combest shows he has the proven experience to get results. A the leader of Ports-to-Plains, Randy fought for and recently won President George W. Bush's approval of this important jobs and transportation corridor.
- Randy has earned the respect and support of the Texas Farm Bureau, 14 regional mayors and a long and growing number of trusted community leaders across West Texas - a testament to his integrity and ability to get positive things done in Washington.



### **REV. JIM AND SAMMIE TURNER Couple To Celebrate Golden Anniversary**

Rev. Jimmy Allen and Sammie Turner of Azle, Tx. will celebrate their 50th anniversary on May 30, 2003. The former Sammie Lee Harris and Turner were married May 30, 1953 in Rising Star at the First Baptist Church. Rev. Turner is currently serving as interim pastor of First Baptist Church. Tahoka.

They are the parents of David Turner of Andrews, Stacy Turner of Perth, Australia, and Patti Cloe of Tahoka. They have seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren. The children and grandchildren will host a family dinner in June.

Any cards or notes to the couple can be mailed to Patti Cloe, P.O. Box 1237, Tahoka, Tx. 79373.

**Flag Football** 

TISD field house.

or at home at 561-6510.

Nursing Home Volunteer

**Training To Begin Soon** 

ernments' Area Agency on Aging will

soon be conducting summer training

and why there is a need to have ad-

vocates oversee the quality of life for

South Plains Association of Gov-



George Paul Sonny Benitez was born to George and Leticia Benitez Jr. of Dallas on Friday, May 16, 2003, at 9:08 a.m. at Lynn County Hospital. He weighed 7 lbs. 4 oz. and was 20-1/2 inches long.

Grandparents are John and Janie Antu. of Tahoka, and Jorge and Yolanda Benitez Sr. of Austin. Greatgrandparents are Alex and Frances Herrera of Austin.

Ernie and D'Lyn Gilbert of Odessa are the parents of a son, Jakob Wade, born Wednesday, April 2, 2003, at 1:54 p.m., weighing 6 lbs. 8 oz, and was 18-3/4 inches long.

Grandparents are J.W. and Pat Williams of Andrews, and Bert and Georgann Humble of Winters. Greatgrandmother is Margie Tinney of Brownwood. Great-grandparents were also the late Watson and Lottie Spears of Tahoka.

Robert and Jennifer Crank of Granbury announce the birth of a



#### Sinclair Clinic Is **Complete**, Modern ing on Wednesday, May 28. The meeting will begin at 6 p.m. at the **Medical** Center

"If there is enough interest, I The recently completed Sinclair would like to start a flag football Clinic, open for a few days last league, and I encourage any parents week, will be formally opened on to please contact me if they are inter-Monday of next week. Modeled by ested," said Hinds. He may be con-Dr. J. W. Sinclair to suit his purposes, it is not only well appointed tacted at the field house at 561-4414 in every particular but is as neat as a pin throughout, and is another institution of which Tahoka may well be proud.

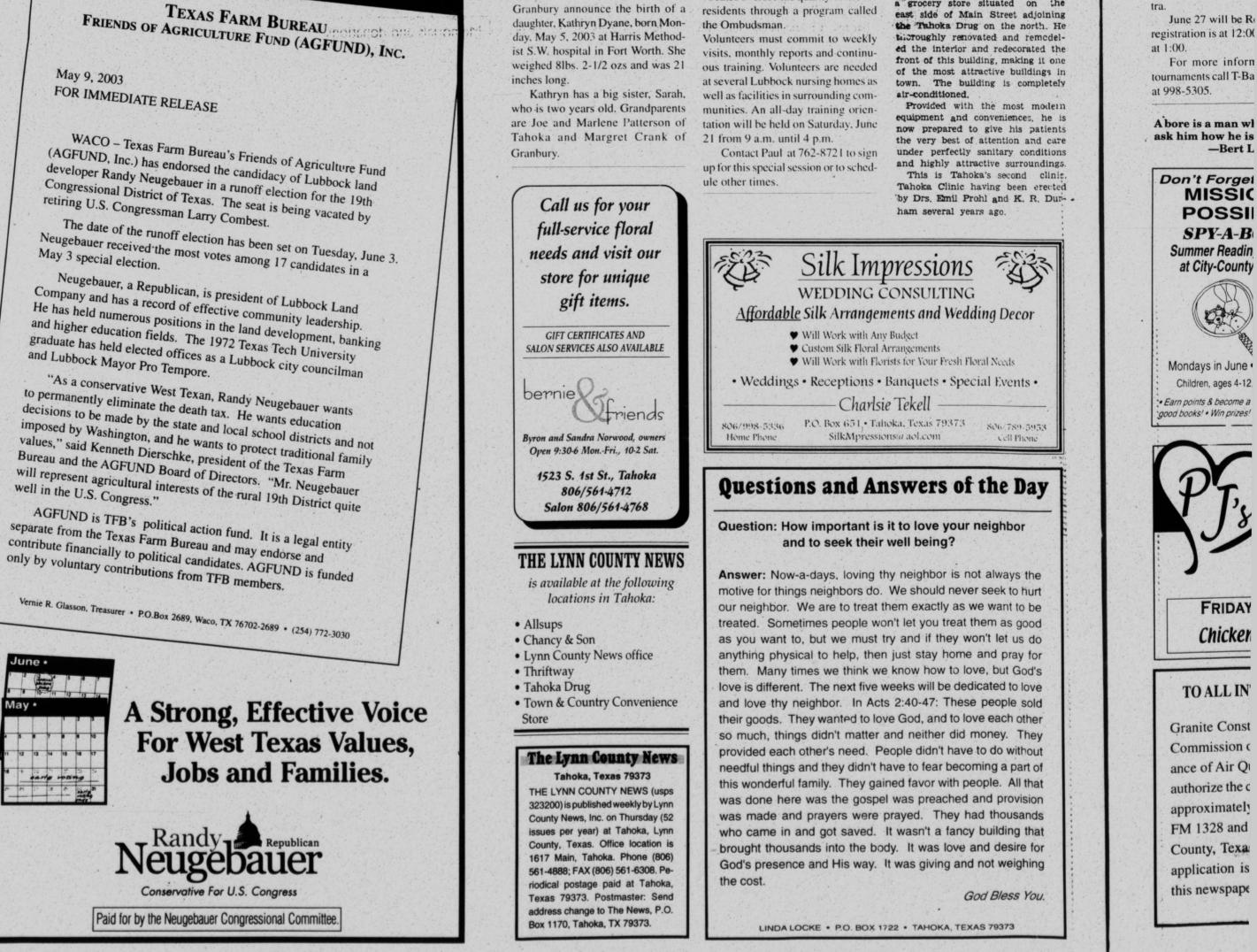
What the front, of course, is the reception room and office, attractive and restful. Back of these are the consultation room, two treatment rooms, an x-ray room, laboratory delivery and operation room, and three recovery rooms. Mrs. Sinclair is the nurse and

for nursing home volunteers. Indi-Mrs. John Simms has charge of the viduals must be willing to attend sevoffice temporarily. Mrs. Greta Aperal classes of comprehensive trainplewhite Privett will be the receping in a three-month period. Traintionist after September 1. ing emphasis is on nursing home care

Several months 1go Dr. Sinclain purchased the brick building formerly occupied by E. H. Boullioun as a grocery store situated on the east side of Main Street adjoining the Tahoka Drug on the north. He

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Community College Scholar. She is the daug and Judy Sanders.



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ask him how he is -Bert L

> SPY-A-B Summer Readin at City-County

Mondays in June Children, ages 4-12 · Earn points & become a 'good books! . Win prizes!



FRIDAY Chicken

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#### Hammonds, Sanders **Receive SPC Awards**

Two students from Tahoka received departmental awards during South Plains College's recent Student Awards Assembly in Levelland.

Students were selected by faculty in their college departments for ments and contributions to the class-toom. outstanding academic accomplish-

Shannon Hammonds received the award for Academic Excellence in Anatomy and Physiology. She is the daughter of Ben and Cheryl Calloni and is married to Mitchell Hammonds. She was named to the Dean's Honor List.

Amanda Sanders was named a Community College Aerospace Scholar. She is the daughter of Steve and Judy Sanders.

"These students are among the best of the best at SPC and have been very involved in the life of the campus," said Terry Isaacs, associate professor of history and a co-master of ceremonies for the assembly May 8.

#### **Food Booths Wanted For** Centennial

Non-profit organizations are invited to participate in the Lynn County Centennial Celebration on June 21 by sponsoring food booths. There is no fee for booth space, and organizations will be able to sell any type of food/concession items on a first-come, first-serve basis.

To reserve booth space, contact Centennial Chairman Susan Tipton at 561-4750 (day) or 998-5072 (evenings).

#### **T-Bar Hosting Golf Tourneys**

T-Bar Country Club will be hosting three golf tournaments in June. On June 7 & 8, the club is hosting a Two-Person Slat, tee times are 8:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Fee is \$35/person and mulligans are \$5/person, carts extra.

The second tournament will be June 21-22, a One-Person Open Scramble. Fee is \$30/person, tee time is 8:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m., carts extra.

June 27 will be Red Raider Day. registration is at 12:00 p.m., tee time at 1:00.



MRS. JASON GLENN THOMPSON (nee Kalie Joy Krey) **Krey-Thompson Vows Exchanged May 24** 

Jason Glenn Thompson of Dripping Springs, Tx. were united in marriage at 6:00 p.m. Saturday, May 24, 2003 at First Baptist Church, Tahoka. Rev. Dan Ott, of Dripping Springs, officiated at the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of John and Cheryl Krey of Tahoka, and the granddaughter of Milford and Joy Lambright, of Lubbock, and Fred and Irene Montis, of Shallowater. The groom is the son of Richard and Sandra Thompson, of Dripping Springs, and the grandson of Gerald and Francis Garver, of Merietta, Ga., and Wanda Thompson, of Wimberley, Tx.

Escorted by her father, the bride wore a gown of white matte satin and Venise lace from the designers of St. Patrick. Crystal beads and baby pearls adorned the Venise lace on the strapless bodice. A scalloped edge of

lace defined the natural waistline.

Kalie Joy Krey of Tahoka and say Black, of Plainview; Rebecca Bryan, of Lubbock; Courtney Stennett, of San Angelo; and Jennifer Thompson and Jessica Thompson, sisters of the groom, both of Dripping Springs. They wore long black skirts with sleeveless black tops with a hint of sparkle.

Serving as Best Men were Nick Flanigan and Monty Biggs, both of Plainview. Groomsmen were Michael Swartwood, James Garrett, Trae Blain, Dean Forest, and Andrew Pearson, all of Plainview. Ushers were Morgan Robinson and Shawn Huber, both of Plainview.

Musical selections included "Trumpet Voluntary" and "Canon in D". The bride's brother, Conner Krey, sang "Shine on Us" and "I Will Be Here"

Blanda Watt, of Hurst, and Rebekah Hutton, of Ralls, registered the guests.

Diana Hawthorne, of Tahoka,

was pianist, and Barbara Kizer, of

Lubbock, was flutist. Kathy Krey, of

Dallas, sister-in-law of the bride, read

#### Report Cards. TAKS Scores To Be Mailed June 5

Final report cards and TAKS scores for Tahoka Middle School and Tahoka High School students will be mailed out by June 5, according to school officials.

Anyone with questions or concerns may contact District Counselor Sherri McCord or the campus principals.

#### **Early Dismissal** For Tahoka ISD

Tahoka ISD will dismiss at 12:25 p.m. on Friday, May 30, 2003. Buses will run at 12:30 p.m. We wish every one a good summer.

#### **County Clean-Up Day Slated June 7**

The Lynn County Centennial Committee is asking all county residents to participate in a County Clean-Up Day on Saturday, June 7, in order to prepare for the Lynn County Centennial Celebration.

Civic organizations are invited to claim certain areas in the county to oversee, and come armed with weedeaters, hoes, rakes, trash bags, etc. to help clean up the area.

For more information, contact Centennial Chairman Susan Tipton at 561-4750 or Bill Schoemann at 561-5244.

**Senior Citizens** 

MENU

May 2 - 6

Monday - Meatloaf, corn, green

beans, coleslaw, wheat roll, dry jello

Tuesday - Salmon or tuna patty.

macaroni and cheese, mixed veg-

etables, tossed salad/italian,

Wednesday - Roasted chicken, scal-

lop potatoes, spinach, beet & onion

Thursday - Pork chops or liver &

onions, potatoes, green beans, wheat

Friday - Roast beef, roasted potatoes,

carrots, tossed salad/ french dressing,

Memorials and donations

made to the

Lynn County Pioneers

600 S. 3rd • P. O. Box 223

Tahoka, Tx 79373

will benefit our local

cornbread, chocolate pudding

salad, wheat roll, frosted cake

roll fruit salad, cookies

cinnamon roll or cake

salad

OBITUARIES

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#### Nicolasa Perez

Rosary services for Nicolasa Perez, 71, of O'Donnell, were held. at 7:00 pm Thursday, May 22, at St. Pius X Catholic Church in O'Donnell. Funeral mass was at 10:00 am Friday, May 23, at St. Pius X Catholic Church in O'Donnell with Father Arsenio Redumula and Rey Sorgon as celebrants. Interment was in O'Donnell Cemetery, under the direction of White Funeral Home of Tahoka.

She died Wednesday, May 21, 2003 in Tahoka.

Mrs. Perez was born September 10, 1932 in Lockhart. She married Ramiro Perez December 26, 1954 in Taft. The family moved to Lynn County in 1970. She was a homemaker and a member of the St. Pius X Catholic Church

Survivors include her husband. Ramiro Perez of O'Donnell; two sons, Fidencio Perez of Tahoka, and Armando Perez of Demming, N.M.: three daughters. Gloria Villanueva of Temple, Sylvia Martinez and Sandra Martinez of Tahoka; two brothers, Nato Longoria and Sotero Longoria, both of Taft; five sisters, Cov Rodriguez and Sara Martinez of Sinton, Tencha Perez of Taft, Mine Torres of Austin, and Petra Longoria of Victoria: 15 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren

#### **Jerry Dale Todd**

Memorial services for Jerry Dale Todd, 57, were held at 2 p.m. Friday, May 23 at White Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Terry Brown officiating. Interment followed at Tahoka Cemetery. Services were under the direction of White Funeral Home of Tahoka.

He died Monday, May 19, 2003 in Bellevue, Texas.

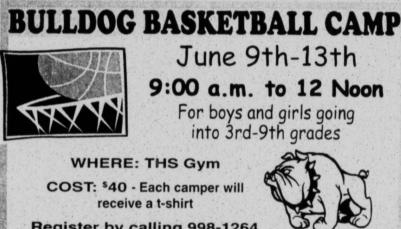
Todd was born September 13, 1945 in LaMesa, California. He was a graduate of New Home High School and attended Abilene Christian University. He was a claims adjuster for a roofing company. His home was in Blue Springs, Missouri. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivers include his mother, Lillian Todd of Wichita Falls; one sister, Sharon Barker of Holliday; and one niece.

#### If you haven't struck oil in the first three minutes-stop boring.

-George Jessel on public speaking \*\*\*

A sailor without destination cannot hope for a favorable wind. -Leon Tec

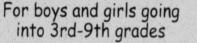


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City / State / Zip:

## June 9th-13th 9:00 a.m. to 12 Noon



COST: \$40 - Each camper will

Register by calling 998-1264 or on first day of camp at 8:30 a.m.

2003 BULLDOG BASKETBALL CAMP REGISTRATION FORM Child's

Name:	Age (as of 9/1/2
Name(s):	
a	
ncy Phone (during camp hours):	Home Phone:

T-Shirt Size: Adult \_\_ S \_\_ M \_\_ L \_\_ XL

For more information on any tournaments call T-Bar Country Club at 998-5305.

A bore is a man who, when you ask him how he is, tells you. -Bert Leston Taylor

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Don't Forget --**MISSION:** POSSIBLE SPY-A-BOOK Summer Reading Program at City-County Library!

Mondays in June • 10-11 a.m. Children, ages 4-12, are invited.

• Earn points & become a super spy! • Read good books! • Win prizes! • Watch Spy Kids!

this newspaper.

Satin cording created a corsette back. Kalie's front pleated, matte satin skirt swept around into a tiered peplum train. Each tier, as well as the hem, was edged in the same lace that embellished the bodice. Completing the gown was a tiara comb of rhinestone swirls and pearl flowers with a two-

tier, elbow length veil. The bride carried a bouquet of vogue roses tied together with white satin ribbon.

The church was decorated with six columns topped with a white floral board and draped with tulle ending with five pillar silver candelabra. The unity candle decorated by the bride's mother also set on a column. The area around the organ and piano was decorated with greenery, clear lights and pillar candles in glass cylinders.

Maid of Honor was Jennifer Mackie, of Plainview; and Matron of Honor was Natasha Goggin of College Station. Bridesmaids were Lind-

With Garlic Cheese Rolls

Cream and Salad

Regular menu items also available.

561-6507

Baked Ziti ... \$495

Chicken Burritos ... \$495

FRIDAY'S LUNCH/EVENING SPECIAL:

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

Granite Construction Company has applied to the Texas

Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for issu-

ance of Air Quality Permit No. 51984L002 which would

authorize the change of location of Rock Crusher - 320803

approximately three miles north of U.S. Highway 380 on

FM 1328 and 1.25 miles east of FM 1328, Tahoka, Lynn

County, Texas. Additional information concerning this

application is contained in the public notice section of

**THURSDAY'S LUNCH SPECIAL:** 

Deli and Bakery

1515 SOUTH FIRST STREET · TAHOKA

years ago. A reception was held at The Center following the ceremony, with Rebekah Curry and Brooke Evans, both of Lubbock, serving at the bride's table. The bride's four-layer white cake with white icing was decorated with star gaze lilies and topped with a "Circle of Love" white porcelain figurine. Brittain Biggs of Plainview served the groom's chocolate cake with white icing; the table

> tist University theme. The couple will reside in Plainview after a honeymoon in San Francisco, Ca. The groom is employed with the City of Plainview. The bride is employed by Wayland Baptist University. They both graduated in May 2003 from Wayland Baptist University.

#### **Xcel Asks For Higher Rates On Residences**

Xcel Energy has asked the Public Utility Commission of Texas for an 8 per cent increase in typical residential electricity bills, and propor-

According to Xcel, the price increases reflect "higher costs of natural gas used at power plants to produce electricity.'

\$70.74.

Increases for businesses would be at an even higher percentage.

When you see a snake, never mind where he came from. -W.G. Benham

a passage from Genesis. For "some-Please detach and bring with payment to 1st day of camp. Thank you! senior citizens center. thing old" the bride carried the wedding rings of her maternal greatgrandparents and paternal grandfather. She also wore the traditional blue garter that her mother wore 30 was decorated with the Wayland Bap-

## First Baptist Church Vacation Bible School

1701 Avenue K in Tahoka • 561-561-4557

**GAMES • CRAFTS • SONGS • SNACKS • BIBLE STORIES** 

June 12-14, 2003 Thursday & Friday 4:30 to 8:30 p.m. 7 0 Saturday 3:00-6:00 p.m. and County Fair Saturday Night 6:00-8:00p.m.

For Ages 5 years through 6th Grade! A LIGHT MEAL WILL BE PROVIDED EACH NIGHT. For More Information, Call 561-4557.



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tionate increases for businesses.

If approved, prices of service from Xcel for a home using 1,000 kilowatt hours of electricity a month would increase \$5.20 above June's "summer rate" price of \$65.54, to PAGE 4, LYNN COUNTY NEWS, THURSDAY, MAY 29, 2003

### Water District Urges Landowners **To Cap Open Wells On Property**

The High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 urges landowners to properly close any open abandoned water wells on their property.

"Open, abandoned water wells pose a safety hazard to animals and humans. They also provide a direct conduit for contaminants to enter ground water stored in the Ogallala formation," said Arnold Husky, Water Use Division Director.

Open wells can range from six to 16 inches in diameter. These larger openings are particularly dangerous since animals or children can become trapped in wells. Potential for open wells is more likely in areas where former agricultural land is being developed for subdivisions and commercial property. This could be a hazardous situation for children playing in the area.

In the water district's 52-year history, two children have fallen into open, abandoned wells and were rescued. The High Plains Water District has an active well plugging program to prevent such accidents.

Water district field technicians carry well caps in their pickups. They cover any open, abandoned wells discovered during their daily work. The District's website at www.hpwd.com

appropriate landowner or operator is notified that a cap has been placed in the well. The landowner/operator has the option of paying \$75 to cover the cost of the cap or they may cap the well themselves.

"For those desiring to cap the well themselves, we suggest welding a two-foot by two-foot plate to a fourfoot piece of pipe. The pipe should be no more than two inches smaller in diameter than the well casing. This goes down in the well casing and is difficult for a child to remove. State law and High Plains Water District rules require well coverings to sus-, tain a weight of 400 pounds," Husky said.

If a landowner chooses to destroy a well, the water district suggests contacting a licensed well driller or the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation in Austin at (512) 463-7880 for assistance.

For more information about proper covering of abandoned water wells, or to report an open, abandoned well, contact Arnold Husky at (806) 762-0181 or e-mail him at ahusky@hpwd.com. More information on open, abandoned wells is also available on the High Plains Water

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by Vondell Elliott

The following excerpts were taken from past issues of The Lynn County News.

#### **Merchants Launch Give-Away** "Auction Dollar Day" Program

"The biggest give-away in the history of Tahoka - we furnish the many auction items and we furnish the money to buy 'em!"

That's the way a unique sales promotion program of Tahoka merchants ending on Saturday, June 3, is described by E.L. Short, president of the chamber of Commerce, sponsoring unit of the affair. The promotion is called "Auction Dollar Day" and has been

received with much enthusiasm at other towns in the midwest.

Each Friday and Saturday from now until June 3, all local businesses desiring to participate will be giving away free with no. added cost to the customer "Auction Dollars." An "Auction Dollar" is given the customer by the businessman for every one dollar actual cash purchase made in the store. Each participating store gives an item for auction, and on "Auction Dollar Day" these items may be bought by the people of Lynn County with these "Auction Dollars" being used as real money.

The participating merchants will be recognized by a sticker on the door and a large poster in the window of the store. Merchants not yet contacted may get in the program by contacting Dean Taylor, C. of C. secretary. Only cost to the merchant is the given of an item to be auctioned off.

.In conjunction with "Auction Dollar Day" on Saturday, June 3, there will be two big free shows on the streets of Tahoka at 10:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. The 3:30 p.m. show is followed by the auction sale of merchandise.

Headlining the show is an outstanding act, "Cindy and Her Mule, litterbug." This act has toured the world and appeared on many of the top television shows. Ed Sullivan has acclaimed it as one of the funniest acts in this country.

Bozo, the Clown, will be on hand to delight the youngsters with his many antics and do his bit in assisted Miss Beverly Harnett in a comedy bull whip exhibition. Miss Beverly is one of the outstanding bull whip artists of the world, and does some fine fancy rope spinning also.

A tuneful trio from the popular "Jubilee USA" show will entertain with some outstanding country and western style music.

## **USDA Extends Deadline For Renewable Energy Systems**

USDA Rural Development State demonstrated financial need. Director Bryan Daniel has announced that the deadline for applying for grants under the Renewable Energy Systems and Energy Efficiency Improvements program has been extended from the original date of June 6, 2003 to June 27, 2003.

The deadline was extended to allow additional time for applications to be developed and submitted for the \$23 million in grant funds. A Federal Register notice will provide information clarifying financial and other requirements for the grants along with information on how to access useful resources to assist in the applicant's preparation of the application. Such resources include the Department of Energy and the Agriculture Market Resource Center, funded by USDA Rural Development in July of 2001. Resource information will be also available on the USDA Rural Develwebsite opment www.rurdey.usda.gov.

 The grant program is available to eligible rural small businesses, farmers, and ranchers to develop renewable energy systems and make energy efficiency improvements to their operations. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or legal residents and have

#### Letters To The Editor -- POLICY --

Our readers are encouraged to express their opinions in Letters to the Editor.

Letters to the Editor are accepted.

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Grant funds may be used to pay up to 25 percent of the project costs. Eligible projects include those that derive energy from wind, solar, biomass, or geothermal sources. Projects using energy from those sources to produce hydrogen derived from biomass or water are also eligible. The program was authorized by the 2002 Farm Bill, and is conducted in collaboration with the Department of

Energy. The original Notice of Funding Availability for the grant program, including detailed information about program requirements and how to apply, was posted in the Federal Register on April 8, 2003.

#### Former Newsman Here Promoted At Odessa

Bill Salter, who was news editor of The Lynn County News in 1967. last week was appointed as publisher emeritus of The Odessa American; a daily newspaper which he has served as publisher since 1994.

He will now devote most of his time to writing articles for the newspaper, including his column William Tells, which he wrote for the News when he was in Tahoka.

The Odessa newspaper is owned by Freedom Communications Inc., which operates several newspapers over the nation. Salter worked as managing editor for Freedom newspaper the Brownsville Herald, in •1976. then was editor of the Panama

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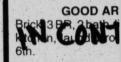


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APPLICATION Granite Construction Company, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for issuance of Air Quality, Permit Nit 510841.002 which would authorize the change of location of Rock Crusher - 320803 to be located approximately three miles north of U.S. Highway 380 on FM 1328 and 1.25 miles east of FM 1328, Tahoka, Lynn-

referrals through our 800 line. Drug addiction County, Texas. The facility will emit the following air contaminants: Carbon Monoxide, Nitrogen Oxides. Particulate Matter including particulate matter less than 10 microns in diameter. Sulfur Dioxide and Organic Compounds.

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on May 16, 2003. The application is available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Lubbock regional office, and the City of Tahoka Public Library, 1717 Main Street, Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Lubbock regional office of the TCEQ.

The TCEQ executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING You may submit public comments, a request for a public meeting, or request a contested case hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. The deadline to submit public comments is 30 days after newspaper notice is published.

The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or ask questions about the application. A public meeting about the application may be held if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

If only comments are received on the application, the response to comments, along with hotice of the executive director's action on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this application.

If a hearing request is timely filed, the executive director will complete the technical review, issue a preliminary decision on the application, and a Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the final deadline for submitting public comments

After the final deadline for public comments following any required Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or is on a mailing list for this application.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING** You may request a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 30 days from this notice, the executive director may approve the application. If no hearing request is received within this 30-day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided. A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on those issues raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn

A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing;" (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility. If the request is made by a group or an association, the one or more members who have standing to request a hearing and the interests which the group or association seeks to protect, must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 30 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

If a hearing request is timely filed, additional notice may be provided. Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the executive director will forward the application and any requests for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact relating to relevant and material air quality concerns raised during the comment period. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding.

MAILING LIST In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list to receive future public notices for this specific application mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk by sending a written request to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below

INFORMATION Written public comments or requests for a public hearing or contested case hearing should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, TCEQ, P.O. Box [3087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. General information regarding the TCEQ can be found at www.tceq.state.tx.us.

Further information may also be obtained from Granite Construction Company, P.O. Box 3130, Lubbock, Texas, 79452 or by calling Mr. Richard Lewis, Plant Manager, at (806) 748-9170

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#### Wilson High School **Honor Roll Listed**

The Wilson ISD A&B Honor Roll in the 9th grade are: Kourtney Schoor, Amber Autry, Anastasia Sanders, Joel Gonzalez, James Holdren, Bryan Hart, Megan Noles; 10th grade; Lorianne Garces, Robin Lindsey, David Perez, Sonya Quezada, Nicholas Simmons, Ashli Marie Holland; 11th grade; Cassandra Talamantez, Brandie Alcala, Amy Martinez, Kristi Shipley, Misti Shipley, Josie Valdez, Ricardo Valdez; 12th grade: Zachary Zepeda and Blake Talkmitt. The All "A' honor roll includes: 11th grade; Brady Cross and Lorena Gonzalez: 12th grade; Zachary Zepeda and Blake Talkmitt.

The Wilson 6th grade all "A" honor roll students are; Domenique Escobar, Brady Evans, and Alyssa Moreno. The Wilson 6th grade "A & B" honor roll is Samantha Gill, Heriberto Gonzalez, Caul Blakely, and Sarah Lindsey.

#### Cody Paul Donald Is LCU Graduate

Cody Paul Donald of Wilson was one of 267 graduates who participated in commencement exercises for Lubbock Christian University on May 10

Donald graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture Science. He is the son of Donnie and Connie Donald of Wilson.

#### Lynn County Merchants **Appreciate Your Business!**



NEW HOME SECOND GRADE - New Home second grade class has been studying health for the past six weeks with Mrs. Durham, the school nurse. The students are, back row, left to right, Maranda Hymes, Zac Paul, Jonathon Nieman, MacKenzie Dunn; middle row, Kaitlin Thompson, Charles Kieth, Hailey Lehman, Taylor Shellman; bottom row, Alexsis Vasquez, Madison Gass, Josh Paul, and Mrs. Clem, classroom teacher.

#### Local Students Are SPC Grads

Students from Wilson and Tahoka were among a record number of 832 students who graduated May 16 from South Plains College in Levelland.

Recipients of the Associate of Applied Science Degree are Amy Sanchez, Business, and Cynthia Solorzano, Associate Degree Nursing, both of Tahoka, and Bryan Isham of Wilson, Computer-Aided Drafting and Design Technology.

Recipients of the Certificate of Proficiency are Lisha Vega of Tahoka, Vocational Nursing, and Melanie Moya of Tahoka, Vocational Nursing.

Recipients of the Associate of Science Degree are Amanda Fuentes of Tahoka, and Jaime Ortega of Wilson.



## **Property Tax Protest and**

#### The WILSON News by Carol Yowell • 628-6392 e-mail: cayowell@yahoo.com

Another Wilson Senior graduating class moved their tassels Friday night before friends and family. Many of our seniors this year received scholarships and honors and all have plans for a successful future. Our wishes, hopes and prayers go with each of you that your goals will be high and your dreams will come true. We are proud of you!

Many Wilson girls are involved in a local softball team this summer. Watch the paper for dates they will be playing and try to catch a game to support their efforts. They will be playing teams from Tahoka, Post, and other surrounding towns.

Please contact Carol Yowell at 628-



## **Awards Presented To New Home Students**

grade, Christina Giesbrecht. 2nd grade,

Maranda Hymes and Jonathan Nieman.

Lindsey Burenheide, Kathleen Kienle

and Merritt Mitchell. 2nd grade,

Mackenzi Dunn, Madison Gass, Charles

Kieth, Hailey Lehman and Taylor

Shellman. 3rd grade, Justin Laseman. 4th

grade, Nicki Giesbrecht. 6th grade, Mary

Brianna Laseman and Jasmine Placencia.

2nd grade, Charles Kieth and Zac Paul.

3rd grade, Naomi Nevarez. 5th grade.

Ethan Willis; 6th grade, David Alvarado

Isabel Gomez: 1st grade, Christina

Giesbrecht. 2nd grade, Taylor Shellman.

3rd grade, Justin Laseman. 4th grade.

Nicki Giesbrecht. 5th grade, Maribel

Second grade TAKS Health Awards

- Mackenzi Dunn, Madison Gass,

Lehman, Jonathan Nieman, Josh Paul.

Zac Paul, Taylor Shellman, Katlin Th-

year - 1st grade, Christina Giesbrecht.

Superintendent honor roll for the

Principal honor roll for the year -

1st grade, Lindsey Burenheide, Evan

Kienle, Kathleen Kienle, and Merritt

Mittchell. 2nd grade, Madison Gass,

Hailey Lehman and Jonathan Nieman.

3rd grad, Allison Burenheide and Justin

Laseman. 4th grade, Nicki Giesbrecht.

6th grade, Mary Maeker and Mikaela

Teacher's honor roll (AB) for the

vear - 1st grade, Alexsis Torres, 2nd

Grade, Mackenzie Dunn, Charles Kieth,

Joshua Paul, Zac Paul, Taylor Shellman,

Kaitlin Thompson and Alexsis Vasquez.

3rd grade, Caitlin Kieth and Naomi

Nevarez. 5th grade, Josh Correa, Lupe

Gomez, Kenneth Graves; Chase

Hiracheta, Jacob Laseman, Kris Silva,

Samantha Silva, Selena Torres, Olga

Vitolas, Ethan Willis and Maribel

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grade, Ethan Willis. 2nd grade, Charles

Perfect attendance for the year - 5th

Rodgers and Hector Fiscal.

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ompson and Alexsis Vasquez.

Yearly Honor Roll:

2nd grade, Maranda Hymes.

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Mireles. 6th grade, Mary Maeker.

Leopard Award - kindergarten.

Perfect Attendance - kindergarten.

Principal Honor Roll - 1st grade,

6th grade, Mikaela Wallace.

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and Mikela Wallace

New Home ISD presented awards to students in grades 7 - 12 on May 19. They are as follows

Superintendent Honor Roll - Jori Rodgers, 7th; Meghan O'Rourke, 8th; Katie O'Rourke, 9th; and Stephanie Kieth, 12th.

Math awards from Mrs. Harrison ----Algebra 1, Meghan O'Rourke; Algebra 2, Katie O'Rourke; Geometry, Ashley Gill; and Pre-cal - Stephanie Kieth. Computer awards from Mrs. Scott -

BCIS 1, Monte Jolly; BCIS 2, Terry Brand; Desktop Publishing, Fred Vitolas; and Yearbook, Jessica Holder English awards from Mrs. Quillin

and Mrs. Marshall - English 1, Blaine Paul: English 2, Aaron Villarreal: Repap. Maricella Rodriguez; English 3, Miranda Koonce: English 4. Amanda Villarreal: and AP, Jessica Holder.

Science awards from Coach Valentine - IPC, Matt Hymes; Chemistry, Ashley Gill: and Physics. Stephanie Kieth Maranda Hymes, Charles Kieth, Hailey

Biology award from Mrs. O'Rourke - Evan Clem.

Spanish awards from Roger Aleman - Spanish 1, Tanner Johnston: Spanish 2. Aaron Villarreal; Spanish 3, Christina Vitolas: and Journalism, Jessica Holder. Distinguished Science award from

U.S. Air Force — Joanna Garza. Distinguished Math award from U.S.

Air Force — Stephanie Kieth. Government awards from Coach Moore - Government, Mikey Garcia; W. History, Jordan Dorsett; U.S. History, Bear Chesley; Geography, Katie O'Rourke.

Elementary school held an awards ceremony Tuesday, May 20, at 8:15. The following awards were presented: Sixth 6-weeks awards:

AB Honor Roll - 1st grade, Evan Kienle, Kathleen Kienle and Alexsis Torres. 3rd grade, Allison Burenheide and Caitlin Kieth; 4th grade, Jacobi Ford, Jessica Gomez, Garrett Kennedy, Kari Maeker and Santos Sanchez. 5th grade, Josh Correa, Kenneth Graves, Jacob Laseman, Kris Silva, Selena Torres, Ethan Willis and Maribel Mireles. 6th grade, Hannah Warren, Jett Rodgers, Hector Fiscal and April Torres.

A Honor Roll - 1st grade, Lindsey Burenheide, Christina Giesbrecht and Merritt Mitchell. 3rd grade, Justin Laseman. 4th grade, Nicki Giesbrecht. 6th grade, Mary Maeker and Mikaela Wallace.

Perfect attendance - 3rd grade, Allison Burenheide, Caitlin Kieth, Justin Laseman, Naomi Nevarez and Desiree Vasquez. 4th grade, Roel Cruz, Jacobi



#### **JOE CONTRERAS**

Joe Contreras is one of more than 250 cadets who received the 2003 George C. Marshall ROTC (Reserve Officer Training Corps) Award at the Virginia Military Institute in Lexington, Va. The U.S. Army Cadet Command at Fort Monroe, Va., and the George C. Marshall Foundation work in conjunction to sponsor the annual awards seminar

Contreras is the son of Maria S. and Salvador L. Contreras of O'Donnell and is a 1995 graduate of O'Donnell High School.

The award is presented to the most outstanding Army ROTC cadet seniors at each college or university in the nation which host ROTC detachments. After graduating from Texas Tech University, Lubbock, and completing the ROTC program, the cadet will be commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Army.

During the four-day seminar. award winners explore a broad range of national security issues and have roundtable discussions on how these issues affect national security. The award is named in honor and legacy of General of the Army George C. Marshall, who served in World War II and post war era. He served as Chief of Staff of the Army, and Secretary of both State and Defense, and outlined a program of economic assistance and recovery for worn-torn Europe.

#### Stephanie Gregory Named To LCU List

Stephanic Gregory of Tahoka has been named to the President's List at Lubbock Christian University for the spring semester of 2003. In order to be considered a part of this list, a student must be taking a minimum of 12 semester hours and achieve a 4.0 grade point average or better for the entire semester.

She is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Marvin Gregory of Tahoka.

## Kieth and Zac Paul. Computer Class

**NOW ENROLLING** Do you have a computer but don't know how to operate it?

6392 or cayowell@yahoo.com to give any Wilson news. Let us know of your travel adventures or special activities throughout the summer!

## **Appeal Procedures**

The law gives property owners the right to protest actions concerning their property tax appraisals. You may follow these appeal procedures if you have a concern about:

· the market or special appraised value placed on your property

• the unequal appraisal of your property • the inclusion of your property on the appraisal roll

• any exemptions that may apply to you • the qualification for an agricultural or timber appraisal

• the taxable status of your property • the local governments which should be taxing

your property

• the ownership of property

• the change of use of land receiving special appraisal

• any action taken by the chief appraiser, appraisal district or appraisal review board that applies to and adversely affected you.

#### **Informal Review**

You may call (806) 561-5477 to discuss your protest with a CAD employee and try to come to a settlement without meeting with the ARB.

#### **Review by the Appraisal Review Board**

If you can't resolve your problem informally with the county appraisal district (CAD) staff, you may have your case heard by the appraisal review board (ARB).

The ARB is an independent board of citizens that reviews problems with appraisals or other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the CAD to make the necessary changes to solve problems. If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (called a notice of protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing. You'll receive written notice of the time, date and place of the hearing. If necessary, you may request a hearing in the evening, Saturday or Sunday. Prior to your hearing,

you may ask to review the evidence the CAD will use to uphold their determination. The CAD may ask you for a copy of the evidence you plan to present. The hearing will be informal. You or a designated agent may appear in person to present evidence or you may send notarized evidence for the ARB to review at your hearing. The CAD representative will present evidence about your case. You may cross-examine the CAD representative. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented. The CAD has the burden of establishing the property's value by a preponderance of the evidence presented. You can get a copy of a protest form from the appraisal district office at 1636 Ave. J. Tahoka, Texas,

Note: You shouldn't try to contact ARB members outside of the hearing. The law requires ARB members to sign an affidavit saying that they haven't talked about your case before the ARB hears it.

**Review by the District Court** 

After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mail. If you're not satisfied with the decision, you have the right to appeal to district court. If you choose to go to court, you must start the process by filing a petition within 45 days of the date you receive the ARB's order.

#### **Tax Payment**

If you appeal and your case is pending, you must pay the lesser of the amount of taxes due on the portion of the taxable value not in dispute or the amount of taxes due on the property under the order from which the appeal is taken.

#### **More Information**

You can get more information by contacting your appraisal district at Lynn CAD, 1636 Ave. J, Tahoka, TX 79373, (806) 561-5477. You can also get a pamphlet describing how to prepare a protest from the appraisal district or from the State Comptroller's Property Tax Division at P.O. Box 13528, Austin, Texas 78711-3528.

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#### **Deadline for Filing Protests with the ARB\***

#### **Usual Deadline**

On or before May 31 (or 30 days after a notice of appraised value was mailed to you, whichever is later).

Late protests are allowed if you miss the usual deadline for good cause. Good cause is some reason beyond your control, like a medical emergency. The ARB decides whether you have good cause.

Late protests are due the day before the appraisal review board approves records for the year. Contact your appraisal district for more information.

#### **Special Deadlines**

For change of use (the appraisal district informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal

\*The deadline is postponed to the next business day if it falls on a weekend or holiday.

Ford, Jessica Gomez, Garrett Kennedy and Kari Maeker. Semester Honor Roll:

Superintendent honor roll - 1st

The NEW HOME News by Karon Durham 924-7448

New Home first grade went on a field trip to the Science Spectrum and Legacy Play Village for the end of school party.

Sierra Estrada coordinated a blood drive on May 16th for a project in the New Home Schools Service Organization.

Junior High and High School had an awards presentation on Monday, May 19. Mrs. Sharp and Mrs. McAllister presented handmade ceramic leopards to each of the seniors. \*\*\*

Kindegarten graduation was held on May 20th at 6:30 in the cafeteria. The seventeen students performed a variety of song selections for the crowd. \*\*\*

New Home School Faculty had an end of school patio party on May 22 at the home of Mrs. Bruton. Mrs. McCann, Mrs. Bruton, and Mrs. Fillingim were the hostesses for the occasion.

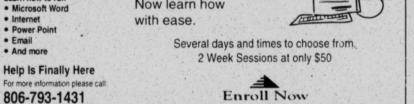
#### **Parade Entries** Wanted For Centennial

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Lynn County residents, businesses, and organizations are invited to participate in a Centennial Parade on June 21 to kick off the Lynn County Centennial Colebration. Bicycles, floats, horses, bands, tractors, cars, and any other entries are welcome.

For more information, or to enter, contact Amy Preston at 924-7234 (day) or 561-5365 (evening).

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