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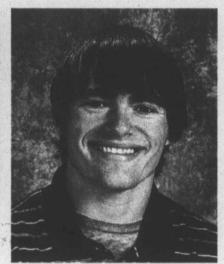
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email: LynnCoNews@poka.com County schools name top honor students

he four high schools in Lynn County will graduate 89 seniors in are very deserving of the honor," Perez commencement ceremonies on Friday, May 30. Tahoka High School has 45 seniors in the Class of 2014, Wilson and New Home High Schools both have 15 graduating seniors, and 14 seniors are graduating from O'Donnell High School.

The Tahoka High School 2014 Valedictorian is Cort Fisher, son of Rick and Tammy Fisher. He graduates with a grade point average (GPA) of 4.4067. This year, school officials have chosen to name Co-Salutatorians for the 2014 graduating class - Kaitlyn Lehman and Ray Parmer. Kaitlyn Elizabeth Lehman, graduating with a 4.3232 GPA, is the daughter of Bruce and Rachel Lehman. William Ray Parmer III, graduating with a 4.3184 GPA, is the son of Billy and Rhonda Parmer. One other high honor student, in the

top 10% of the class, is Elizabeth Faye

Locke, daughter of Roger and Melody Locke. THS Commencement will be at

7 p.m. in the high school gym. THS Principal Jeff Perez told The News that originally Ray Parmer had been announced as Salutatorian, but school officials became aware of an error late last week in calculating GPAs, discovering that a grade for one of the college level classes for a student had been entered incorrectly. The recalculation placed Kaitlyn Lehman's GPA .0048 above Parmer's.

"We admit the error and apologize for it, but we wanted to do the right

thing by our students, both of whom at 8 p.m. in the high school gym said. "The administration has chosen to name both students as Co-Salutatorians for the Class of 2014. As for the community, we hope they realize we are human and make errors, but we wanted to be very upfront about admitting the mistake was on our part, and ask for understanding in this matter. The bottom line is, both Ray and Kaitlyn are fine students who are deserving

of the honor," he added. The 2014 New Home High School Valedictorian is Rachel Slaugh, daughter of Terry Slaugh of Hobbs, NM and Jennifer Slaugh of Lubbock. She graduates with a 4.0 GPA. Class Salutatorian is Merritt Ann Mitchell with a GPA of 3.9. She is the daughter of Kevin and Tammy Mitchell of New Home. NHHS Commencement will be

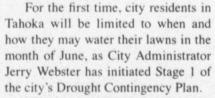
O'Donnell High School Valedictorian, with a GPA of 3.64285. She is the daughter of Mary Helen Cano of O'Donnell and Jimmy Cano of Lubbock. OHS Salutatorian is Maggie Collins, daughter of Terry and Barbara Collins of O'Donnell. She graduates with a GPA of 3.29206. The OHS Commencement ceremonies will be held at 7 p.m. in the Billy and Donna Hopkins Auditorium.

WHS Valedictorian is Ashley Rebekah Trice, daughter of Michelle Trice Story. She graduates with a 4.457 GPA. WHS Salutatorian, with a GPA of 4.294, is Fransisca Michelle Garcia, daughter of Michael and Mary Ann Garcia. WHS Commencement ceremonies will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the

Stage 1 of the Drought Contingency Plan

Outside watering to be limited in Tahoka during month of June

by JUANELL JONES



"The large quantity of water usage in the month of May has triggered the first stage of the city's drought contingency plan," Webster told The News this week. "Stage 1 will begin June 1st and will be monitored daily throughout the month. At the end of June, a determination will be made whether the city will end Stage 1, continue with Stage 1, or go to Stage 2," he explained.

The action is mandated by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), triggered by the amount of water Tahoka residents have used during the month of May. Webster said that this is the first time that the city's water usage has triggered the drought contingency plan.

"We've never had to initiate the drought contingency plan, and this is not something that requires action by the city council - this is determined by how much water is used in a certain time period, based on the city's water capacity," Webster explained.

Based on the TCEQ formula, when a city reaches 80 percent of its water capacity for 10 consecutive days, it triggers Stage 1 of the Drought Contingency Plan, which is considered mild water restrictions. Stage 2 is triggered by 90% of capacity usage within 10 consecutive days, and it involves more strict regulations of water usage.

"Last May, city residents used 14,715,800 gallons of water during the entire month. To date this month, we have already used 15,348,800 gallons, and the month's not over yet," he said Tuesday morning. "To put it in perspective, last May there were two days that we used over 600,000 gallons of

(See WATER RESTRICTIONS, page 8)



Stage 1 Water Restrictions

While Stage 1 is in effect in June, the following limitations will be enforced for anyone on the Tahoka city water system:

- Outside watering will be limited to two (2) days per week.
- Outside watering times should be limited so there will be no runoff of water onto the street. Normal watering times should be used so no more than 1.5
- inches of water is applied There will be no outside watering allowed between 10:00 A.M.
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Top 10% ... These Tahoka High School students are among the top 10% academically in their class, and were honored at the THS Academic Awards event. They are, in back from left, Jeremiah DeLeon (jr), Ray Parmer (sr), Roman Parmer (jr), Grant Tekell (fr), Dane Rivas (jr), Luke Fleenor (soph), and Cort Fisher (sr); and in front, Clarissa Lopez (soph), Kylynn McCleskey (fr), Averi Starkey (fr), Kaitlyn Lehman (sr), Caitlynn Adams (fr), Miranda DeLeon (soph), M'Lin Hill (soph), Elizabeth Locke (sr), and Sonya Gonzales (jr).

Former O'Donnell police officer indicted in 2013 shooting

A former O'Donnell Police officer who allegedly shot a fleeing suspect in the hand last year has been arrested after a 106th District grand jury indicted him on charges of assault with a deadly weapon in the in-

Jeffrey Don Brock, 28, now of Lubbock, was named in the indictment related to the shooting as the suspect attempted to flee on a motorcycle.

Brock was one of seven new inmates in Lynn County Jail during the last week, as the total number in the jail early this week was 39, including 17 held for Ector County, 7 for Dawson County and 2 for Andrews

Others were jailed on charges of no drivers license, public intoxication, theft of property over \$50 and less than \$500, and criminal mischief greater than \$500 damage and less than

A clerk at Allsup's convenience store advised police that a clever con man had stolen about \$150 cash and two \$2 lottery tickets Saturday afternoon. The clerk described the suspect as a black man about 6 feet tall, and skinny. She said the man asked for change for a \$50 bill, then for several more currency changes, and then took the money from the counter and left.

Decker, Hilger in All-Star Game

Tahoka High School seniors Caelan Decker and Trystan Hilger will be playing in the Greater West Texas Coaches Association All-Star baseball game in Lubbock this Sunday at 11 a.m. at Frenship High School. They will be playing for the TAPPS 1A-2A South team and will be representing Tahoka High School one last time in this

TISD Board continues supt. search process

Tahoka Independent School District this week continued the superintendent search process, meeting with consultant Gary Harrell Tuesday night in a special meeting for discussions. No agenda has been released indicating that the interview process has begun.

Current Superintendent Steve Burleson will retire his position here at the end of Au-

THS musicians bring home 19 gold, 2 silver medals

Several members of the Taho ka High School 3-D Band competed last Saturday at the UIL Texas State Solo and Ensemble Contest at Hendrickson HS in Pfluggerville, earning two silver medals for solos and 19 gold medals for ensembles

Earning medals were Abigail Santos, silver for her vocal solo; Yancy Draper, silver for her trumpet solo; gold for the sax quartet of Kaitlyn Lehman, Kaycee Lehmann, Jordan Fowler, and Carlos Marquez; and gold for the woodwind ensemble of Sarina Ybarra, Tari'Anna Pena, Vanessa Chavarria, Elizabeth Locke, Cort Fisher, Mia Saldana, Elvia Aguilar, Kaitlyn Lehman, Kaycee Lehmann, Jordan Fowler, Mishelle Earnest, Lacy Goodell, Micaela Torrez, Sonya Gonzales, and Emit Quintero.

Earning a rating of "Good" was Elizabeth Locke for her vocal solo, the brass trio of Yancy Draper, Chris Earnest, and McKenzy Forsythe, and the brass quartet of Jeremiah DeLeon, Tony Garcia, Esperanza Ramirez, and Kendra DeLeon.

'We are very proud of all these students as they competed at this much higher level of competition where everyone has earned a "Superior" or "I" on a class I solo or ensemble. The average rating at TSSEC is a rating of "Good" or "III," since the judging is at much higher level of expectation from mostly college teachers," stated 3-D Band Director Carroll Rhodes.



M OME GUY who does a lot of exploring under water announced a few weeks ago that he has definitely (maybe) found the wreckage of Christopher Columbus' flagship, the Santa Maria, about 15 to 20 feet under the surface of the water off the coast of Haiti, right where Columbus told everybody the ship struck a reef and sank more than 500 years ago.

Why has nobody ever found the wreckage before now? It makes one wonder when they will locate the airplane of Amelia Earhart, or the more recently lost Malaysian jetliner. Anyway, explorer Barry Clifford is convinced that it really is the Santa: Maria, which Columbus abandoned near Haiti in December 1492, returning to Spain with his other two ships, the Pinta and

The explorer is seeking permission from Haitian authorities: to investigate the shipwreck further.

I thought the news was worth pointing out, since there is: such a high level of interest in sunken ships around here. This is despite the fact that shipwrecks are pretty rare in Lynn County.

COCKROACHES are everywhere, and they are harder to get rid of than door-to-door vacuum cleaner salesmen. I once read that if you cut off the head of a cockroach, it still will live for three days. I haven't tried that yet with any door-to-door sales

Anyway, the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal last week ran a depressing story about how cockroaches hide and reproduce in places you can't see, then come out at night to feast on the food crumbs in our trash and behind the stove, and drink from our leaking water faucets. They also carry germs with diseases around to infect humans.

I also once read that in the event of a global nuclear disaster, all human and animal life on the planet could be extinguished, but many cockroaches and a few other bugs would survive.

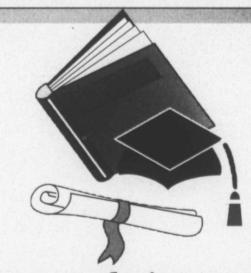
The A-J story said they lay their eggs and raise their young in warm, dark undisturbed places, "including drawers, boxes and sometimes walls."

These crawly critters are disgusting, and I would not like to open a box, or look inside a wall and find them everywhere. And I certainly don't want to find any of them in my drawers.

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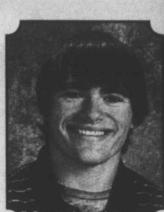


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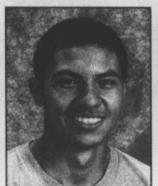
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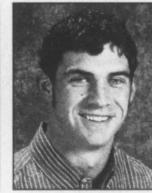
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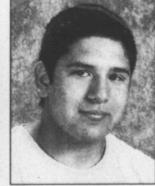
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Congratulations, Kaitlyn Lehman

Valedictorian Cort Evan Fisher

Cort Fisher is the son of Rick and Tammy Fisher and the valedictorian of the class of 2014.

Cort participated in the Tahoka 3-D Band where he served as Drum Major for two years, advanced to the Texas State Solo and Ensemble Contest four years, and made the ATSSB Region Band four years, advanced to the ATSSB Area Band three years, and was a member of the ATSSB All-State band for one year. Cort competed at the State Marching Contest his sophomore year. He was a member of the National Honor Society serving as president his senior year and Student Council where he served as parliamentarian his sophomore year and vice-president his junior and senior years. Cort has served as class president for four years and was a representative for GenerationTX. He competed in Academic UIL where he advanced to Regional competition three years in a row in Literary Criticism.

Next year he plans to attend The Honors College at the The University of Oklahoma where he will major in Public Relations, intern at the OU Daily, and perform in The Pride of Oklahoma Marching Band.



We are so proud of you. You have set goals, worked hard and met them. Now is the time to set more goals. Just seek the Lord and He will guide you toward what is best for you. We love you!

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Salutatorian

Kaitlyn Elizabeth Lehman Kaitlyn Elizabeth Lehman is the daughter of Bruce and Rachel Lehman. Kaitlyn is co-salutatorian of her class.

Kaitlyn was in basketball, track, powerlifting, and was a member of the Tahoka 3-D band for seven years, and served as drum major her junior and senior year. As a member of the band, she advanced to the state marching contest as a sophomore, and advanced to the State and Ensemble Contest for four straight years. She received a division I rating as a sophomore and junior, and two division I ratings as a senior. She was a member of Student Council serving as President, NHS vice president and was named Best All Around Girl both her junior and senior year. She competed in academic UIL events and advanced to Regional competition in Literary Criticism.

Kaitlyn will continue her edupation at the Honors College at Texas State University, where she will major in nursing and specialize in Pediatrics, and she will mi-

Salutatorian

William Ray Parmer III William Ray Parmer III is the son of Billy and Rhonda Parmer. Ray finished high school with over a 4.3 GPA and is co-salutatorian of

During high school, Ray was a part of the Tahoka varsity football team for four years. He was voted onto the All District team all four years of play. He earned first team honors his sophomore, junior, and senior years and was named district MVP his junior year. He was named on the 1st Team All South Plains football team his sophomore, junior, and senior year. Ray was also voted on to multiple All State Football teams all three of these years. He was listed in Dave Campbell's Top O' Texas Football Magazine as one of the top five linebackers in the state and was also on the Academic All State football team his senior year. He was also named a National Football Foundation Scholar Athlete his senior year. Ray finished his football career with the most tackles for a career in Texas high school football history. Ray also played varsity basketball for three years. He was named on to two different Aca-Tahoka High School

Congratulations,

Kaitlyn Lehman

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you've become.

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was on the varsity track team for three years and advanced to the Area round in both shot put and as a part of the 1600m relay his senior year. Ray competed in UIL for three years and was on the Math, Social Studies, and Current Events teams. Ray was a part of Tahoka high school's Who's Who his junior and senior years and was voted as the best male student of Tahoka high school his junior year. Ray was selected as Mr. THS his senior After high school, Ray plans to attend Texas Tech University and

Adolfo Daniel Aleman

Adolfo Daniel Aleman is the son of Adolfo Lopez and Debbie J. Gay. He participated in the Special Olympics since the 7th grade in soccer, bowling, basketball, bocce ball, and track. He competed in Powerlifting for Tahoka High School his junior and senior year.

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demic All State basketball teams his senior year and was listed to the 1st team on both of them. He

to major in a field of engineering.

After graduation he plans to take partnership with his father's per Body Shop.

Jonathan Alvarez

Jonathon Alvarez is the son of Tony and Sandy Alvarez. He par-He plans to join the United States





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Gino Arriazola

Gino is the son of Connie Sepeda and Longino Arriazola. His plans after graduation are to attend SPC and pursue a career in Auto body technician.

Kordell B Baker

Kordell B Baker is the son of Bianca Baker and the late David A.

Kordell played varsity football for four years his freshman year he was honorable mention wide receiver. His sophomore year he was 1st team all district wide receiver and 2nd team Defensive back. His junior year he was 1st team all district wide receiver and 1st team all district defensive back. His senior year he was 1st team all district wide receiver, 1st team all district defensive back, 1st team all south plains wide receiver, 2nd team

Jon Alvarez

Graduation is not the end of a

chapter, it's the beginning of a

book you are yet to write."

Congratulations Jonathon,

so proud of you!

Mom & Dad

Congratulations Kordell Briscoe Baker!



Outstanding job! Love you! Mom & Antonio

all south defensive back, all state academic team. He ran varsity cross-country two years and was a regional qualifier both times. He played basketball, baseball, tennis, and ran varsity track for four years and was a regional qualifier 3 years. He was in varsity powerlifting for three years, NHS for two years and a member of 3-D band for four years. He was in academic UIL for four years, competing in Persuasive Speaking, OAP, and

Kordell plans to attend West Texas A&M and major in psychol-

Nicole Burleson

Nicole Burleson is the daughter of Bruce Burleson and Stacy. After graduation she plans on entering the workforce.

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to the Tahoka ISD school board - past and present, to the administration, teachers, school employees, coaches, parents, students, teammates, and Tahoka ISD community members for allowing us to be a part of the Tahoka Bulldog family.

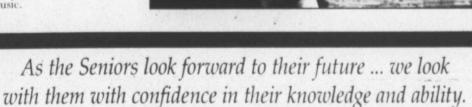


Thank you for your support and encouragement in all of the academic and athletic opportunities we have been given.

The staff of Tahoka ISD continues to provide a first class educational opportunity for its students and we are truly blessed to work side-byside with these professionals.

May God continue to bless and keep each one of you as we continue to seek His will and follow His plan for our lives.

> ~ Rayley, Ray, Roman, Rebekah, Raquel, Rocky, Rhonda and Billy Parmer



Our Best Wishes To All The Graduating Seniors!



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David Castaneda

David is the son of Elida and faximo Castaneda. While in high school, David participated in the stock show, football, and powerlift-

He plans to enter the workforce nd pursue a career as an electri-



We knew you could do it ... we are all proud of you! Your loving Mom & Dad, Elida & Maximo Castaneda and brothers & sisters

Juan F. Charon, Jr.

Juan was active in FCCLA, and UIL (Science, Calculator, Number Sense, LD and Cross X Debate, and Spelling) and was a member of the Tahoka 3-D Band.

Juan plans to attend Kaplan College to major in the Medical

Damien Colon

Damien Colon is the son of Soina Colon and Juan Pena.

He was a member of the 3D Band, marching and competing as a part of the brass section. He excelled in subjects areas such as Science and English, competing in the Science UIL events his junior and senior year.

Damien will attend The Art Institute of San Antonio beginning in the Fall.

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Lisa Cruz

Lisa Cruz is the daughter of Victor And Mandy Cruz. While in high school, Lisa started her own family with her newborn baby girl Brylee Victoria. Lisa enjoyed volunteering at the Day Care and exceeding in Child Guidance.

She plans to attend South Plains College and pursue courses in cosmetology and a career as a paramedic.

Caelan W. Decker

Caelan W. Decker is the son of Marietta and Wade Decker.

Caelan Played Varsity football for 4 years. He received All-District 2nd team honors his junior year and All-District 1st team and All-South Plains 2nd team honors in his senior year. He powerlifted for 4 years, going to regionals his sophomore and junior year. He was a part of the Varsity Baseball team for 4 years as well, receiving All-District honors for designated hitter his sophomore year, as well as second team honors for 1st base his junior year, while in baseball he has qualified with his team for playoffs three times. Caelan participated in UIL number sense and qualified for regionals, and was in NHS for two years.

Caelan plans on attending South Plains College to get through his basics then move on to Texas Tech University to major in pre-med and eventually move on to medical school.

McKenzie Nichole Dimak McKenzie Nichole Dimak is

the daughter of Scott and Rebecca Mckenzie was involved in FFA,

tennis, UIL, NHS, track- where she advanced to regionals three years in a row, and softball where she was named all district designated hitter in 2013. She served as the 2013-2014 Rotary Club Sweetheart. She was selected as Who's Who her senior year.

Mckenzie plans to attend South Plains College, majoring in Ag Communications.





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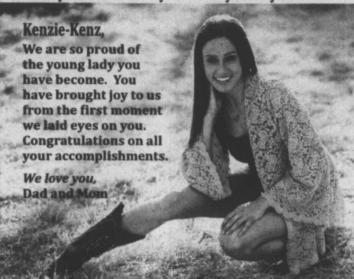


Congratulations, to our two favorite seniors: **Dillon & Lizzy**

> Love ~ Shi, Brenda, Yuli & Aly

Way to go -- Lynn County Graduates, Class of 2014!

Congratulations, McKenzie Dimak! Behind you, all your memories, before you, all your dreams, around you, all who love you, within you, all you need.



rahoka Hiah School McKenzie Dimak

> It takes courage to grow up and become who you really are.

I am so proud of you my precious granddaughter.

I Jove you, Nana



Tahoka High School CONGRATULATIONS MCKENZIE DIMAK We are so proud of you Kenzie Boo! We look forward to what the Lord has in store for you next. Love, Justin, Stacie and Karston Stoerner



We hope your dreams take you to the corners of your smiles, to the highest of your hopes, to the windows of your opportunities, and to the most special places your heart has ever known.

WE LOVE YOU AND ARE SO PROUD OF YOU. Ne Ne, & Uncle Brad, Megan, William, Nicholas, Grammy and Sal **Dillon Maverick Dotson**

Dillon is the son of Shi Dotson and Yollie Ortiz. Dillon participated in football, and was in the playoffs his freshman year. He excelled in subjects such as English and won the Student of the Six-Weeks award in his senior English course.

Dillon plans on going to join the workforce and pursuing a career in small business after moving to Arkansas.



Joe & Linda Barrientez

Tahoka High School

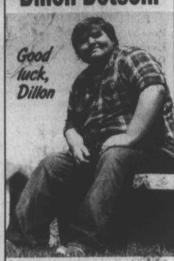


Jesse, Sara, Megan, and Jason & Claudia

Hannah Grace Fleenor Hannah is the daughter of Jeff and Susanne Fleenor.

While in high school, Hannah was a part of the May Tiger Band and the 3-D Marching Band. She has participated in cross-country for four years, advancing to regionals as a team her freshmen year. She was also a Varsity Cheerleader for two years at her previous schools. Hannah has been on

Congratulations, **Dillon Dotson!**



We are so proud of you. Mom. Felix & Pinkie

the Varsity basketball team since she was a freshman, named Adademic All-District and Academic All-State as well as Academic All-State for THSCA. She played softball, ran track, and has been on the Varsity Golf team three years. She advanced to regionals as a team her sophomore year, and placed second her senior year at district, advancing to regionals as an individual. She was in UIL One Act Play two years and received All-Star Cast and Honorable Mention. She also participated in academic UIL. Hannah was in 4H and advanced to the State 4H Round Up in a play, and Food and Nutrition competition. Her junior and senior year Hannah was a student athletic trainer for the Tahoka Athletic program.

Hannah plans to attend Texas Tech University in the fall majoring in Pre-Nursing and minoring in Kinesiology.



Don't judge each day by the harvest you reap but by the seeds that you plant.

Robert Louis Stevenson

We love you and are so proud! Love ~ Mom & Dad, Zack, Luke, Sarah & Rachel

Congratulations to all of the 2014 Seniors!



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Laura Flores is the daughter of Rosa Morin. While in high school, Laura participated in Art contests, DIM, and BIM.

Laura plans to join the Marines after graduation.

Lorena L. Flores Lorena is the daughter of Rosa Morin and Otiquio Flores, Jr. She participated in Art, DIM and 3D

Lorena plans to attend South tams or Full Sail University for Graphic Designs and Computer



and love you! Mom, Emilio & Adriana

McKenzy Forsythe McKenzy is the daughter of Jay

Forsythe and Crystal Hitt.

McKenzy participated in band, as 1st chair trombone, and also made it to state in marching band and Solo and Ensemble two-years in a row. She was in FCCLA and was a regional qualifier and state qualifier all four years, and track

and basketball. She was active in Lynn County 4-H were she showed livestock. She received the Algebra II top student award.

McKenzy plans to attend college in the fall to major in Kinesi-

Congratulations, McKenzy Forsythe

> Much love ~ Geanne & Jerry

Mikkel Ryan Garza Mikkel is the grandson of Ma-

Mikkel was in football where he was 1st team All District defensive end two years in a row and was named 1st Team All South Plains defensive end. He won District Champ in triple jump in track and was a two-year starter for the baseball team. He was in powerlifting, Tahoka 3-D band, going to state in marching and in Solo and Ensemble, and was in UIL taking 3rd place in Current events.

He plans to join the work force with hopes of starting a landscap-

McKenzy

Hope

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Love ~

Your Dad

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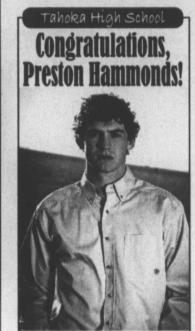
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Preston Cade Hammonds Preston Cade Hammonds is the son of Mitch and Shannon Ham-

He played football, basketball, golf, and track. He received 1st team all district utility player and in basketball he was named 1st team All District, and All Region his senior year, and received MVP and Offensive MVP. In golf he received MVP and went to Regionals all four years in high school, and ended up missing state by just two shots as a senior.

Preston plans to attend West Texas A&M for a degree in Agri-



We are so proud of all you have accomplished! Dad, Mom & Hannah

Trystan Hilger

Trystan Hilger is the son of Don and Pam Hilger.

He participated in football, basketball, powerlifting, track and field, and baseball. He was awarded All-District awards in football as 1st team All-District quarterback. He also awarded District MVP and 1st Team Offense in baseball. He advanced to area for three years in track and field and qualified to regionals for two years. He was awarded 1st Team All District Pitcher in 2014.

Trystan will attend the Greater West Texas All-Star baseball game as well as attending the National Under Armour Senior Select World Series in Bradenton, FL. He will attend West Texas A&M, majoring in Physical Therapy.



"For I know the plans I have for you; plans to prosper you and not to harm you; plans to give you hope and a future." -Jeremiah 29:11

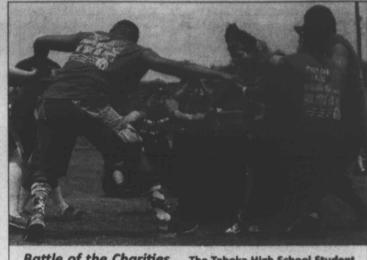
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KeShawn Hood

KeShawn Hood is the son of LaShaunda Renee Hood, and

KeShawn was in basketball, and football four years, a fouryear letterman in both football, and basketball. He was named 1st Team All District Running Back, 1st Team All South Plains Running Back, and All State Running Back. He was 1st Team All South Plains in Basketball, which the team went all the way too Regional Quarterfinals. In track, he went to the Regional Finals in the 4x100

He plans to attend Howard College to major in Criminal Justice to become a Lawyer



Battle of the Charities ... The Tahoka High School Student Council hosted the first annual Battle of the Charities last Thursday, having fun while raising money for several local charities. In this photo, the guys are struggling not to touch the trash can in the middle of their circle.

\$1200 raised for Snack Pak for Kids in the THS Battle of the Charities

The Tahoka High School Student Council hosted the first annual Battle of the Charities last Thursday. This new event, which puts a charitable twist on the old tradition of Battle of the Classes. was a huge success, according to sponsors. Student Council chose "Some Things are Worth Fighting For" as the theme for the

Classes chose a local charity to "fight for" in their competitions on Thursday. For 10 days leading up to the event, each class raised money. The freshman class, representing Mission Tahoka, raised \$222. Sophomores represented Christmas for Kids, and turned in \$462 from their fundraisers. Juniors chose Lynn County Animal Shelter and raised \$280. The senior class selected Snack Pak 4 Kids and turned in the largest amount of \$750! These amounts were converted to points and then added to points that they earned Thursday afternoon when they "fought" for their charity in the usual "Battle of the Classes" field day events.

"It brought the teams closer together, considering we were 'fighting' for a cause bigger than ourselves," said Kaitlyn Lehman, Student Council President. At the end of the day, points were totaled and the senior class had the most points. By winning, they will now be able to donate seventy percent of the total money raised, or \$1200, to Snack Pak for Kids! The remaining thirty percent is used to cover costs associated with the event as well as future StuCo service projects.

Snack Pak for Kids is a fairly new charity in Tahoka. The mission of this organization is to end weekend hunger for children living in Tahoka by providing a backpack filled with kid-friendly snacks each Friday of the school

"A group of very generous with homemade cookies for the event. Student Council would like to thank Pam Miller, Cheryl Krey, Brenda McCleskey, Debbie Engle, Mary Gayle Raindl, Karen Kelln, Pat-Williams and Judy Whitworth for donating your time and money to make this happen! We would also like to thank Lyntegar Electric Cooperative for their contribution of five cases of water. Thank you to all of the teachers and class sponsors that helped students with their fundraising efforts and to John Darden for giving his time to announce at the event. Finally, we would like to thank anyone who contributed financially to any of the fundraisers," said a StuCo representative.

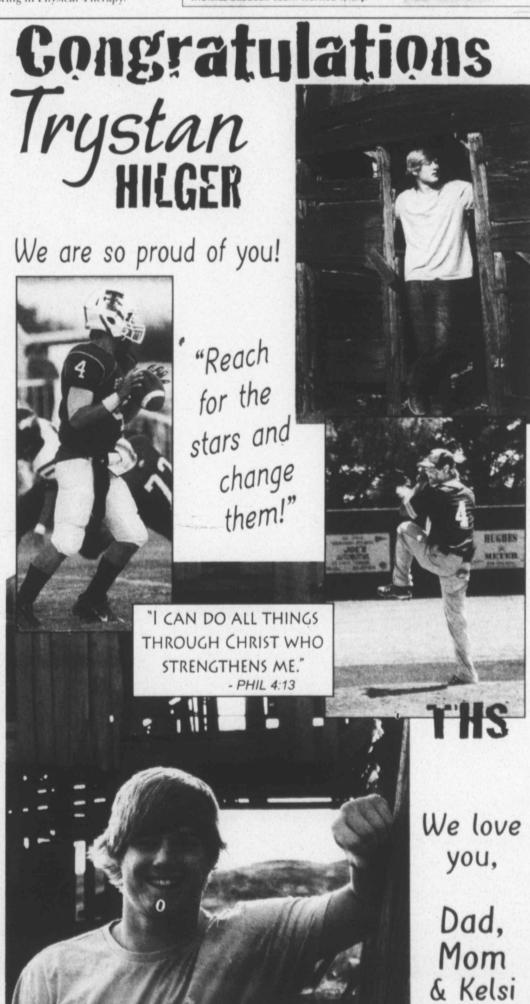
"This community has a spirit of giving and we are so glad we can give all students at Tahoka High School the opportunity to be a part of this," said THS Student Council sponsor Klyssa Woodley. "Hopefully, this will become a new tradition that will continue for many years to come!"



Baseball team gives donations ... The Tahoka High School Baseball team held a "Hit-A-Thon" last month to raise money for several local charities. Pictured here team members Isiah Arce, Santiago Martinez, Dom Herrera, Grant Tekell, and Colton Taylor presenting a check to Pastor Gene Hudgins for the Tahoka Branch of the Salvation Army, a program offered through the First United Methodist Church of Tahoka. The other charities that the baseball team donated to included the Lynn County Senior Citizens Center, the Wayland Varner Scholarship Fund, and the Lubbock Challenger Little League (a special needs league that the THS baseball team worked with).

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Free camp offered here June 2-5, 9-12

Children in grades 1-6 in Lynn County are invited to attend a free summer camp for two weeks on Monday through Thursday, June 2-5 and June 9-12. The camp will be held each afternoon from 1:00-4:00 p.m. at the Tahoka Elementary Gym.

Registration will run through May 30, at the Lynn County Juvenile Probation Office. Children may also register on the first day of camp at 12:30

Camp activities include life skills, education, swimming, games, scavenger hunts and more, and children will have snacks provided. There will be t-shirt giveaways and lots of door prizes.

Volunteers are also needed. Please sign up with Gracie at the Lynn County Juvenile Probation Office, or call 561-5244.

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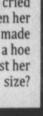
Kaycee Montana Lehmann Kaycee Montana Lehmann is the daughter of Lee and Pam Lehmann. She participated in the 3-D band where she was a state qualifier in solo and ensemble, and competed at the State marching contest. She was involved in National Honor Society and Student Council, class Vice-President three years and class treasurer her one year. She competed in Academic UIL headline writing and was a member of FCCLA.

She plans to attend college at Angelo State University to major in Pre-Pharmacy, and then transfer to Texas Tech University to finish her Pharmaceutical degree.

Madison Kate Lockaby Madison Kate Lockaby is the daughter of Todd and Kristi Lock-

Madison Lockaby

Who cried when her PePe made her a hoe just her size?





Tahoka High School

Madison Lockaby

From a

Dribbler

to a Lady

Bulldog ...

So ... you decided to lay down that hoe and look for work elsewhere. Congratulations

to our car driving expert! We love you always! MiMi & PePe

you've

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basketball.

Madison Lockaby can come the rage

We hope all your dreams come true!

Love ~ Dad, Mom, Morgan & Brit

Madison was involved in Varsity Basketball, Track, and Cross Country, a member of the Tahoka FFA. National Honor Society, and Lynn Co. 4-H. Through basketball, she was named first team all district, and was team captain for two years. In track, Madison ran the mile relay and advanced to regionals three years in a row. Madison was heavily involved in Tahoka FFA. She has shown her Angus heifer and barrow ever since she was in third grade. Participated in Job Interview, Ag Advocacy, and Public Speaking and has advanced to area every year. She judges livestock along side her team and has advanced to state. In 4-H she has won the state competition in singing. She was named Harvest Festival Queen in 2013. Madison has sung the National Anthem at variCongratulations,



WE LOVE YOU! Lee, Jacqui, Luke & Mark

ous events including the Houston Livestock show and also the San

Madison is attending Texas Tech University in the fall, and plans on majoring in Animal Sci-

Elizabeth Faye Locke Elizabeth is the daughter of

Roger and Melody Locke. She participated in the 3-D

band where she was a state qualifier in solo and ensemble for three years. She competed in the area and state marching contests her sophomore year. Elizabeth has been a state qualifier for vocal solo and ensemble for two years. She has been involved in Student Council, One Act Play, and National Honor Society. She has been a member of FCCLA and has competed in UIL headline writing for a

Elizabeth plans to attend University of Arkansas-Fort Smith where she will major in Psychol-

Alyssa Lopez

Alyssa Lopez is the daughter of Leasa and Gabe Lopez. She participated in FCCLA and Career Preparation.

Her plans are to attend South Plains College and major in cosmetology.

Tahoka High School

Congratulations. Alyssa Marie! Shoot for the moon.

Even if you miss, you'll land among the stars! - Les Brown We are so proud of you! Love & Hugs, Me-Mom, Donnie, Amy, Kenzie & Carson

Tahoka High School

Congratulations,

Alyssa Marie Lopez

You walked the walk. You

made the grades. You took

control. You made your mark. You reached high. You

proved yourself. You showed

the world you've got what it takes! Tomorrow belongs to

you! Congratulations and best wishes. So proud of you! LOVE ALWAYS ... Mom & Ashleigh

Shay Mendez-Trujillo Shay is the daughter of Jesse and Kathleen Mendez. While in high school, she participated in cross-country, basketball, track,

Shay plans to attend Texas

Tech University and major in so-

Tahoka High School

Shay Mendez-Trujillo

Congrats Shay on everything you

have accomplished in your life so far.

We are all so very proud of you!

May God always keep you safe and on the right path. Now go

> and kick butt at Tech. All our love Mom, Ryan, Craig & Amber

and FFA Radio.

learned how to drive, and you're

Love from your Aunts & Uncles Donald & Weda, Jack & Peg, Gordon & Melba Mahon

Tahoka High School Madison Lockabi Boy has changed. you have gotten taller,



LOVE YOU & SO PROUD! Brenda Matthews & Ward Garner

Demetrios Moutos

Demetrios Moutos is the son of Steven and Farrah Shipley. He was in Varsity Baseball as the right fielder and in Science UIL. Demetrios plans to attend Texas Tech University, major in Biochemistry and pursue a career in the medical

We're proud of the Class of 2014

Congratulations.

Elizabeth Fage

Prestige Scholar Recipien

at University of Arkansas at Fort Smith

Water restrictions in Tahoka ...

(Continued from page 1)

water. To date this May, we have had 15 days using over 600,000 gallons of water, and three days over 700,000 gallons of water."

"It is unusual for us, in any month, to reach 600,000 gallons of water usage in a day," he said. "So when I saw that we had numerous days surpassing 600,000 gallons daily in early May, I became concerned that we would trigger the drought contingency plan. The good rains we had over this past

weekend will help, and if we can get our residents to begin the habit of watering during the restricted hours and days, then perhaps those good habits will continue," he added.

The city's code enforcement officer will be in the neighborhoods to ensure compliance.

Residents or businesses (such as Tahoka ISD campuses) that have irrigation systems connected to their own water wells are exempt from the Stage 1 requirements. However, watering times should be limited to prevent runoff onto the streets.

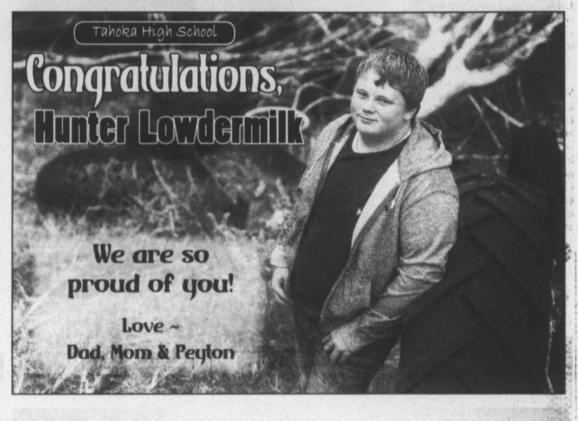
If anyone has questions" about the water limitations, conbitact Tahoka City Hall at 806-561-4211.

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Hunter Z. Lowdermilk Hunter is the son of Chad and

Jana Lowdermilk. He was in the 3-D Marching Band, FFA and GenTx. He was a class officer and an officer of Stun dent Council and was in academic, UIL all four years, OAP and Jour-

Hunter plans to attend Texas. A&M University and major in An- ?





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Joseph LeeRay Munoz Joseph LeeRay Munoz is he son of Jerry and Maria Prestidge. He played basketball and ran track. After high school he plans to attend South Plains College.

Gabriella Pando

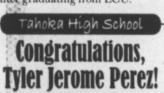
Gabriella Pando is the daughter of Alonzo and Guadalupe Pando. Gabriella participated in FCCLA and advanced to state competition in her high school years. Gabriella was also in the National Honor Society her junior and senior year and was elected Who's Who her junior year. She plans to attend South Plains College to major in Second Education and minor in Spanish.

Cashai Perez

Cashai Perez is the daughter of Nora Liendo. She participated in Varsity Choir 1 and Varsity Choir Advanced 2, advancing to Regionals. She participated in UIL events including Computer Science placing 5th, Literary Criticism placing 2nd over all, Prose and Poetry placing 2nd and 4th, One Act Play, advancing to Semi-Finals and won the Stay In Character In and Out of Acting award. She was a member of FCCLA, advancing to State with her partner dealing with Internet safety and Focusing on Children. She on the Tahoka Kennel Yearbook staff. Cashai plans to attend Lubbock Christian University, receiving a four-year scholarship, to earn a Master's degree as a registered nurse.

Tyler Jerome Perez

Tyler Perez is the son of Jeff and Yvette Perez. After moving to Tahoka, he was in Football, UIL, FC-CLA, and the Bulldog 3-D Band. He made it to state in FCCLA both years he participated. Tyler was selected as apart of Who's Who his senior year. Tyler will attend Lubbock Christian University and major in Chemistry. He plans to later transfer to Texas Tech Pharmacy School after graduating from LCU.





WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU! All Our Love ~ Dad, Yvette, Ellianna, Daniel & Isaac

Denicia Pesina

Denicia Pesina is the daughter of Alexander Pesina and Denise Delacruz. She participated in FCCLA, athletics, BIM, DIM, and Career Preparation. Denicia plans to at-

Congratulations,

Denicia Alexa Pesina!

brothers and sister, and

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Congratulations, **Kirstin Stice!**



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grandparents Tahoka High School **Congratulations**, enicia Only as high as I reach, can I grow; Only as far as I seek, can I go; Only as deep as l look, can I see; Only as much as I "Dream,"

tend South Plains College nursing program to become a Registered

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A.J. Rohlfs
A.J. Rohlfs is the son of Tim and Arlene Rohlfs. He has been a part of the varsity football team and the 3-D band. He has also achieved a black belt in karate. He has achieved a 4.0 since his freshman year. He has received multiple awards including honorable mention tackle his junior year and 2nd team alldistrict tackle and honorable mention defensive end his senior year. He has gone to state with the 3-D band and achieved multiple awards with them. AJ plans to attend Way-land Baptist University, where he will major in computer science and

Abigail Santos

Abigail is the daughter of Joey and Christine Santos. Abigail was a member of the National Honor Society, Tahoka 3-D marching band, UIL Solo and Ensemble State competitor, UIL Vocal Solo and Ensemble, State competitor, One Act Play, and a Skills USA District Officer, National Statesman, and competed at the state level in Cosmetology Quiz Bowl and Extemporaneous Speaking. She attended Slaton High School Cosmetology and will graduate with her Cosmetology Operator's license. Abigail plans to start her career as a cosme-

Qrista Stanley

Qrista is the daughter of William and Tracey Chapman. Qrista participated in UIL, FCCLA and powerlifting. She will be attending Lubbock Christian University she plans to earn a dual major in English and Education

Kirstin Amanda Stice Kirstin Amanda Stice is the daughter of J.P. and Miranda Stice. She was involved in the Tahoka 3D Band, and served as the flute section leader. She was a member of the Kennel Yearbook staff, and played basketball, track, and tennis. She competed in Academic UIL, advancing to Regional competition in Literary Criticism. Kirstin plans to attend South Plains College and majoring in Graphic Design



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A.J. ~ Love you so much we can't reach that far! Go make yourself a fantastic future ...

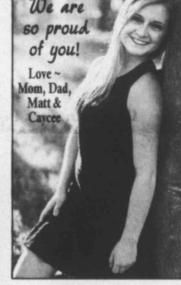
Love ~ Mom and Dad

Nicole Taylor Nicole Taylor is the daughter of

Toby and Dana Taylor. Nicole was active in FFA and was chapter Vice-President. Through FFA, she showed livestock, participated in Radio Broadcasting, and livestock judging, advancing to State, and was awarded the Cattle Proficiency Award, Livestock Production Award, and Ag Student of the Year during high school. She was a member of the National Honor Society, and was active in 4-H Public Speaking where she advanced to state, and UIL Feature Writing. She was active in athletics including basketball, tennis, running track, and cheerleading. She is a member of First Baptist Church in

She plans to attend South Plains College in the fall.

Tahoka High School Congratulations, Nicole Taylor!



Selena Tello

Selena Tello is the daughter of Innocencio "Joe" Lara and late Susan "Susanna" Tello. She was a member of the Tahoka 3-D Band and played the trumpet, and was in FCCLA. Selena plans to attend South Plains College and major in vet medicine.

Mikhail Toralba

Mikhail Toralba is the son of Alexander and Millicent Toralba. He was active in football and baseball, and participated in Science UIL. Art competitions, and the 3D band in his senior year. He plans to attend at South Plains College to major Engineering.

Isiah Vega

Isiah is the son of Diane Vega. Isiah participated in football, basketball, advancing to the Regional Quarterfinals, and ran track. He advanced with the sprint relay team to the Regional Meet. He was awarded 2nd Team All District wide receiver his junior and senior year, and basketball, he was named Defensive Player of the Year for

Isiah plans to attend South Plains College and major in Mcchanics.

Tahoka High School

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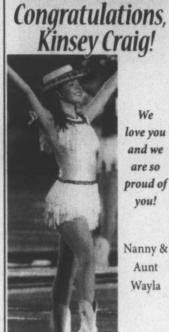
Dastine' White Dastine' is the daughter of Katrina and Kevin White.

Dastine' participated in FFA, FCCLA, softball, powerlifting, and track, advancing to the Regional Powerlifting her sophomore year, and broke the deadlift record at 380 lbs and still holds the record two years later. She competed in the Texas State Powerlifting Meet, medaling her senior year. In Track, she has broken personal records and advanced to regionals. She was active in FFA where she showed a Reserve and Grand Champion Duroc and White OPB.

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Dastine' plans to attend South Plains College and major in Pre-





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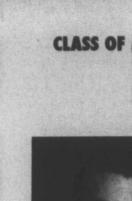
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Jennifer Rose Atchison

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Krista Marie Lehmann



Christopher Nino



Adrian Lee Ramirez

Wilson High School

Senior Biographies



Alexandria Alyss Rodriquez



Bailey Elizabeth Schaffer



Adrian Tomas Valdez



WHS VALEDICTORIAN

Ashley Rebekah Trice Ashley Rebekah Trice is the daughter of Michelle Trice Story. She is the Valedictorian of her senior class.

She was involved in student ouncil, cheerleading, basketball manager, and football film crew Her honors and awards include Most Outstanding student, Ag. Math, Social Studies, English, Science, DC Geology. She is on her church leadership team, and volunteers at Vacation Bible School.

She will be attending Texas Tech University in the fall and major in Psychology and then attend Seminary and become a youth

WHS SALUTATORIAN Fransisca Michelle Garcia

Fransisca Michelle Garcia is the daughter of Michael and Mary Ann Garcia. She is the Salutatorian of her class.

She was president of Student Council, involved in UIL, cheer-Jeading, and basketball. She wants to pursue a degree as a pastry chef and open her own bakery.

Jennifer Rose Atchison

Jennifer Rose Atchison is the daughter of Veronica and Jimmy Atchison. She was involved in Basketball, Cheerleading, Student

Her plans are to attend South Plains College for a year, then transfer to Texas Tech to pursue a degree in Law.

Albert Aaron Borrayo Albert Aaron Borrayo is the son

of Frank and Patricia Picon.

He played varsity basketball all four years in high school and plans to attend Lubbock Christian University following graduation.

Donnie Ray Cantrell II Donnie Ray Cantrell II is the

son of Sharon A. Cantrell.

In high school he was involved in JROTC, and received JROTC Merit awards, and had two years mechanics training, and was a Ycorp graduate.

After graduation he plans to become a correctional officer for a year, the enroll in the military.

Austin Taylor Castillo Austin Taylor Castillo is the son

of Janie Lopez and Abel Lopez. He played varsity football and basketball all four years in high school, was first team wide receiver, second team linebacker, Outstanding Boy Basketball, Boys Fighting Heart award, and Outstanding FFA student.

After graduation he plans to attend Nevada State University.

Wilson Graduation ceremonies

will be at 7:00 on May 30, 2014

in the WHS gym.

Carleigh Claborn Carleigh Claborn is the daughter of Gayle and Cory Claborn. She was active in 4-H and FFA all

four years in high school. She plans to attend South Plains College in the fall.

Amanda Renee Esparza

Amanda Renee Esparza is the daughter of Christina Esparza and Adolfo Esparza. She was involved in basketball and track all four

years in high school. She plans to pursue a career as an athletic trainer.

Richard Oliver Johnson

Richard Oliver Johnson is the son of Leonard and Patricia John-

He participated in JROTC his 9th and 10th grade years. He participated in CTED classes at Slaton High School where he learned about working in a professional kitchen as well as wood shop. He attends school half a day now and volunteers at the Dream Center and the SPFB farm in the after-

He plans to work after high school and eventually go to college.

Bailey Elizabeth Schaffer Krista Marie Lehmann

Krista Marie Lehmann is the daughter John Ray Lehmann and Heather Marie Lehmann

She participated in FCA, track cross country, basketball. Her awards include outstanding track award, outstanding cross country

She will be attending West Texas A&M in Canyon this fall, majoring in kinesiology to become a coach or an athletic trainer.

Christopher Nino

Christopher Nino is the son of Christina Chairez and John Nino. He participated in football, basketball, tennis, and UIL.

He plans to join the Army and pursue his degree in engineering.

Adrian Lee Ramirez

Adrian Lee Ramirez is the son of Josie Ramirez and Jesse Ramirez. He was involved in basketball and football and was a member of the Pride herd.

He is going to South Plains College to pursue a degree as a athletic

Alexandria Alyss Rodriquez

Alexandria Alyss Rodriquez is the daughter of Gloria Sylvia Hernandez and Leonard Rodriquez. She was involved in basketball all four years of high school and was chosen to be on the Pride Herd.

She plans to attend the University of Tyler to be a physical thera-

Bailey Elizabeth Schaffer is the daughter of Brenda Prather and Michael Schaffer.

She was varsity cheerleader, varsity basketball, varsity track, and was on the Pride Herd and the A-B honor roll. She is this year's class Historian.

She will be going to San Angelo State University in the fall to study nursing and become a nurse prac-

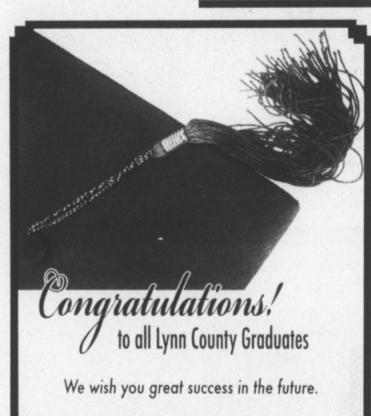
Adrian Tomas Valdez

Adrian Tomas Valdez is the son of Tomas and Sofia Valdez. He was involved with football and was a football and basketball trainer.

He plans on attending South Plains College to become a nurse.

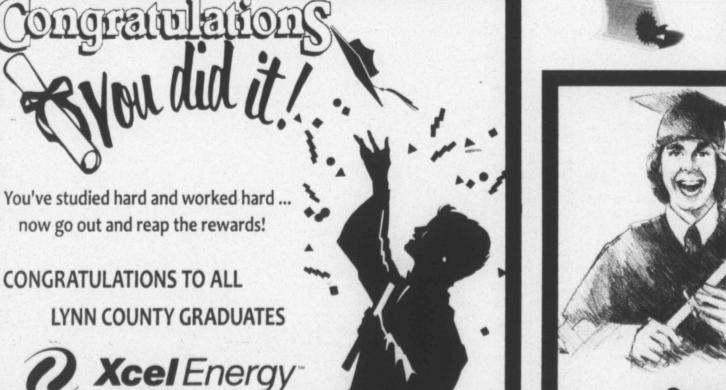
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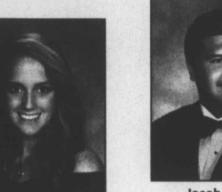
Alexandra McDaniel



Jessica Moncallo



Jamie Morado



Jacob Perez



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Lucas Rodriquez



Valedictorian

Hannah Amber Cano Hannah Amber Cano is the O'Donnell Eagles Class of 2014 Valedictorian. She is the daughter of

Mary Helen Cano of O'Donnell and

Jimmy Cano of Lubbock. She was the Highest Ranking Girl student every year at high school. She was in National Honor Society for three years, and Gifted and Talented. She achieved many awards, scholarships and honors in Science Fair. Hannah was a member of the O'Donnell Eagle Band, and a varsity cheerleader all four years in high school. She was elected freshman class president, junior class vice-president, Most School Spirited runner-up, Most Dependable, Most Congenial runner-up, 2013 Homecoming Queen, senior student council representative and 2014 Basketball Sweetheart nominee. She was awarded OHS Salutes from teachers in geometry and US history, and the Bill Clopton Math Award.

She ran cross country, track and played varsity basketball and tennis. Hannah was a member of the Lady Eagles bi-district champion, area divisional champion and regional quarter finalist team in 2012-13 and the District 6A runner-up, bi-district champions and area champion team in 2013-14. She was named to the Texas Six-Man Coaches Association Academic All-State Basketball team. Hannah plans to attend South

Plains College for two years, then transfer to Texas Tech University to earn her Physician's Assistant De-

Kaitlyn Motley

Salutatorian Maggie Collins

Maggie Collins is the Salutatorian for the O'Donnell Eagles Class of 2014. She is the daughter of Terry and Barbara Collins. Maggie ran cross country and

was a regional qualifier during her senior year. She played varsity basketball all four years and was a member of the Lady Eagles bi-district champion, area divisional champion and regional quarter finalist team in 2012-13 and the District 6A runnerup, bi-district champions and area champion team in 2013-14. She was named to the second team alldistrict basketball team. She played tennis and mixed double tennis where she and her partner placed third in district her sophomore year. Maggie placed fourth in the 800 meter run and eighth place in the race at area. She was a Homecoming Queen nominee in 2013 and 2014 Basketball Sweetheart, and was named Gifted and Talented. In UIL, Maggie was a one-act play actress all four years, received All-Star Cast twice and was a member of the O'Donnell OAP that won zone, district and qualified for area. She competed in CX debate in

district, regional and State levels. She plans to attend Southwestern Oklahoma State University in

High School Senior Biographies

O'Donnell

Madison Davis

the fall where she will study athletic

Madison Davis is the daughter of Choya and Annetta Davis of O'Donnell.

She has been a member of O'Donnell FFA, all four years in high school, and showed at many local and major livestock shows. Madison exhibited a sixth place barrow at San Antonio, an eighth place barrow at San Angelo, fourth place barrow at Houston, and won the Dawson County Junior Showmanship Buckle. Madison was a member of the FFA Livestock Judging Team, the FFA Vet Tech Judging Team, and placed third at district in Chapter Conducting Team and sixth place in Senior Creed. She served as FFA chapter sentinel and chapter vice-president. She competed in UIL events including one-act play where she earned Honorable Mention cast member recognition. Madison and the accounting team placed second at district and placed first in UIL accounting at the O'Donnell Invitational Meet. She was senior class president and student council secre-

Madison plans to major in cosmetology at Howard College.

Ashley Daniela Gomez

Ashley Daniela Gomez is the daughter of Steve and Emma Gomez of O'Donnell.

Ashley was a member of the O'Donnell Eagle Band for three years. In UIL events, she was a regional qualifier in CX debate her sophomore and a state qualifier this year. She also competed in UIL current events, informative speaking, Lincoln-Douglas debate and Congress. She was in one-act play through out high school, when the OAP won zone, district and qualified for area. UIL Science Fair, and won a gold medal, blue ribbon and the South Plains Electric Co-op Award. She ran cross country and track; and played basketball. Ashley has volunteered at the Autism Camp at Kingdom Ranch, First Baptist Church of O'Donnell Vacation Bible School and Team Kid, worked at the St. Pius X Catholic Church Bingo, Summer Jamaica and CCE classes. Ashley earned community service hours at the Eagle Boys and Girls Club. She assisted with the O'Donnell Eagle Band Turkey Dinner, at Food Banks and with the Angel Tree at Christ-

Ashley plans to attend Western Texas College in Snyder, where she will study vocational nursing before transferring to Howard College to earn her registered nursing degree.

Chambry Grant

Chambry Grant is the daughter of Bill and Kathy Grant. She qualified for UIL regional competition all four years. She was the District Lincoln-Douglas Debate her freshman and sophomore year and placed third in district her junior year and second place in team accounting last year. This year, Chambry qualified for regional competition in debate. She was the state alternate in LD debate her sophomore year. She and the accounting team placed second at district her junior year, and she placed first in LD debate at the Post Invitational Meet. She was named to the one-act play honorable mention cast her freshman year. She ran cross country and track and played basketball, was a member of the O'Donnell Eagle Band, was elected the OHS student council for three years and was the student council treasurer her junior year. She was on the journalism staff. She was elected FFA chapter sentinel, was the vice-president of the chapter conducting team that placed second in district. She was on the veterinary technician team that placed first in district and second in area last year. This year, Chambry was the president of senior chapter conducting and placed third at dis-

Chambry plans to study of psychology at Lubbock Christian Uni-

Alexandra Nicole McDaniel Alexandra Nicole McDaniel is the daughter of Steve and Mara Mc-Daniel of O'Donnell.

Alexandra has been accepted to attend college at the University of North Texas in Denton where she will major in social work. She was in the OAP, named to the all-star cast at both zone and district during her sophomore year, all-star cast at zone her junior year, and honorable mention cast at zone during her senior year. She was a regional alternate in cross examination debate and placed third in editorial writing to earn her a trip to regional UIL competition. She placed second at district in informative speaking which qualified her for regional competition during her sophomore year, and was a regional

alternate in informative speaking her junior year. Alexandra received the Donna Hopkins Award for Fine Arts. She was a member of the O'Donnell Eagle Band that earned a Division I several years. She was a member of FCCLA, senior class president, student council president, and editor of sistant leader for the O'Donnell First Baptist Church GA's, volunteered at Vacation Bible School and in the Eagle Club After-School program.

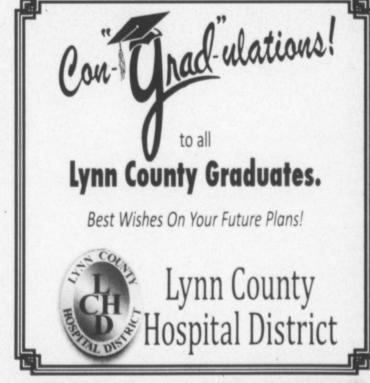
Jessica Nicole Moncallo Jessica Nicole Moncallo is the daughter of Jesse and Alicia Mon-

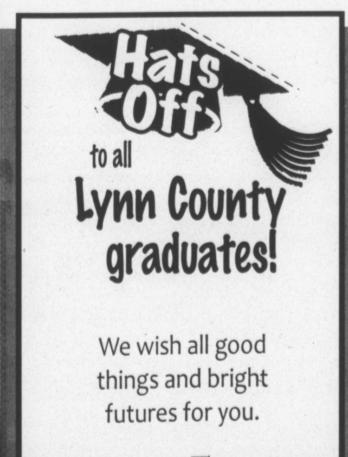
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She was senior class secretarytreasurer, and a Homecoming Queen nominee, and was on the UIL accounting team, that won second place at district this year

She plans to attend Howard College in Big Spring where she will major in cosmetology.

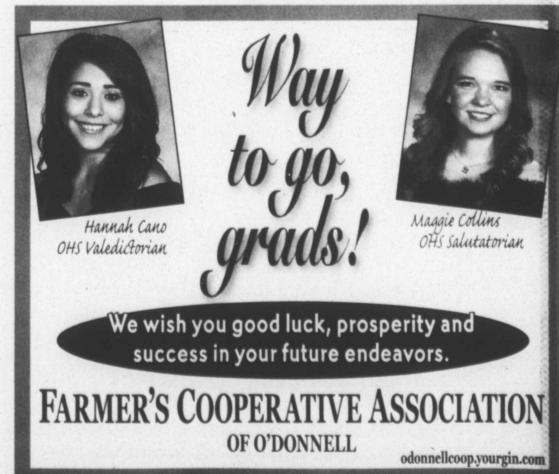
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Jamie Kent Morado Jamie Kent Morado is the son of Michelle Barrientos and Pedro Mo-

He played football, baseball, baseball and ran track for the O'Donnell Eagles. He participated in the welding program in the Ag department and was a band member. He volunteered with Youth Corps and collected community service

Jamie plans to move to Denver, CO., where he will attend classes at Red Stone College.

Kaitlyn Marie Motley

Kaitlyn Marie Motley is the daughter of Danna and Bryan Brownlow of O'Donnell and Ronnie Motley of Lamesa.

She will graduate high school with an EMT-Basic certificate. She was a member of the OHS Band/ Drumline, which placed first in the Class A Drumline competition her senior year. She was given the OHS Salutes in Band and earned the Director's Award during her junior year. She was in student council her sophomore year, and was in the oneact play cast, and was named to the all-star cast at zone her junior year. She was chosen senior class favorite, and was the 2013 Lynn County Harvest Queen Runner-Up and received a \$1,500 Scholarship. She is a member of the O'Donnell United Methodist Church.

She plans to attend South Plains
College to become an EMT/Paramedic-Advanced, later pursuing her
Registered Nursing degree.

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Jacob Perez

Jacob Perez is the son of Hugo Pina and Juanita Renteria. He played football, baseball, and ran track. He will graduate with a welding certificate. He plans to work in the Texas Penal System after graduation.

Cari Rodriguez

Cari Rodriguez is the daughter of Mary and Rodrigo Rodriguez of O'Donnell. She played volleyball and basketball, and was a member of FCCLA the last two years, and placed third in state on her Child Abuse project and fourth place in state in Business and Management.

College in Big Spring and major in criminology and minor in forensic science

Joe Rodriquez

Joe Rodriquez is the son of Ramiro and Alicia Rodriquez of O'Donnell. He participated in band and qualified for state in solo band. He played basketball and ran track for two years. He will graduate with his welding certification.

He plans to attend Red Stone College in Denver, Colo., then transfer to South Plains College and major in criminal justice.

Lucas Rodriquez

Lucas Rodriquez is the son of Andrea Rodriquez of O'Donnell. He was a regional qualifier in 2011 after placing second in Lincoln-Douglas Debate. He was a state alternate in Cross Examination Debate in 2013. He played football, basketball, baseball, and tennis and was in the band. In competition at the regional Science Fair, he received the American Physical Award in 2012. He plans to attend TSTC in Sweetwater and study automotive technology.



ERYNN HARRIS

Erynn Harris to graduate with honors

Kimberly Harris of Lubbock announces the graduation of her daughter, Erynn Harris, from Lubbock-Cooper High School. Commencement will be held May 27 at United Spirit Arena in Lubbock. She is the granddaughter of Janey McMillan and the late Jimmy McMillan of Tahoka.

Erynn will graduate with honors with a GPA of 3.9 and is ranked #7 in her senior class. She is active in NHS and has received awards for anatomy and physiology, French III, and the President's award. She plans to attend University of Texas at San Antonio and major in computer science.

Lara graduates from Southwestern College

Joe Lara, of Tahoka, has earned a bachelor of arts degree in pastoral studies from Southwestern College in Winfield, Kansas. Commencement exercises were held Sunday, May 4, in Winfield.

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What a Man Knows at 70

by Perry Flippin

May 22 marked my 70th birthday, an auspicious occasion to write something that might lift a few hearts.

I enjoy a near perfect life. With some gentle rain and a Democratic majority, this would be heaven.

I don't feel 70, but 70 is hard to hide. How do septuagenarians feel? Some of my geriatric friends have new knees and hips and pacemakers. Most of my parts work tolerably well. I usually remember to turn off kitchen burners. I haven't backed into any expensive pickups on parking lots lately.

For 43 years, I chased newspaper stories that recorded some noble and ignoble examples of courage and compassion, pity and sacrifice. Discovering virtue right in one's backyard has been richly rewarding.

But my glory has been watching my daughter mature into a wonderfully warm, wise, witty and well-adjusted woman who happens to have ink in her veins. Anne constantly reads and observes, while keeping a dozen balls in the air. She is my heart.

So what does a man know at 70? Most of what guides us is inexpressible. Schools are fine for imparting general principles. But we haven't lived them.

To learn swimming requires more than reading the book. No school warned me to avoid stud horses, hay balers, hookers or motorcycles. I heeded the examples and advice of good parents, good neighbors and good friends. I am still working to correct my character defects ... and show a little more charity toward my Republican friends.

What a man knows at 70 is the knowledge acquired by experience ... touch, sight, sound, victories, failures, sleeplessness, emotion, love ...

Such as:

Letting go of your little girl's bicycle seat and seeing her pedal away into a hostile world.
Hearing the doctor say,

"You have cancer."

• Watching your vision dim,

And knowing there's no cure.
 Feeling the pain of loss as the life of your beloved ebbs

And, reaching out if new love walks through the door.

Perhaps a long life can produce a little faith, and a little reverence for things we cannot

Mark Twain turned 70 in 1905. He had a party in New York City. After dinner, he described his regimen, which included eating mincemeat pie after midnight, smoking in all waking hours (including in bed) and avoiding exercise at all

"When you arrive at pier No. 70," he told guests, "may you step aboard your waiting ship with a reconciled spirit, and lay your course toward the sinking sun with a contented heart."

My heart is content. Worrying about the future is pointless So here is what one man knows at 70: Don't be afraid of anything! It's a hard lesson, imperfectly learned.

Perry Flippin, a 1962 graduate of Tahoka High School, lives in San Angelo, where he retired after 43 years in the newspaper business. He was recently inducted into the New Moore Literary Society.

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PERRY FLIPPIN poses with a bronze bust of the late Hondo Crouch, lord high mayor of Luckenbach, Texas.

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State Track meet... Pictured from left are Riley Braunetk, D'Anna Brauneck, Kenny Heathington, Pam Heathington, Bruce Brauneck, Kyle Brauneck. They brought along their Lynn County News to the State track meet in Austin, where Riley placed 6th in shot put, representing Roby ISD.



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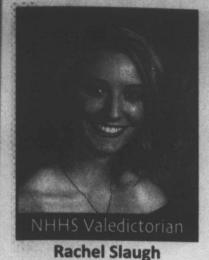
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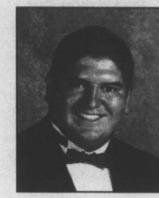
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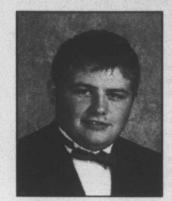
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Clayton Dale Walden



Valedictorian

Rachel Slaugh Rachel Slaugh is the daughter of Terry Slaugh of Hobbs, NM and Jennifer Slaugh of Lubbock and is the Valedictorian of her class.

During high school, Rachel participated in varsity golf, FFA, and Student Council. In golf, Rachel was ranked second at district and advanced to Regionals her junior year. Rachel was secretary of her class in Student Council her sophomore year. She also competed in livestock judging from freshman to junior year. She was on the judging teams that went to state her sophomore and junior year. Rachel exhibited steers, sheep, and goats competitively across the state of New Mexico for four years and spent two years showing steers in Texas.

Rachel's future plans are to attend South Plains College to get her basic prerequisite courses and then to transfer to Texas Tech to major in

Salutatorian Merritt Ann Mitchell

Merritt Ann Mitchell is the daughter of Kevin and Tammy Mitchell. Merritt has attended New Home School for thirteen years and is Salutatorian of her class.

Merritt was involved in crosscountry, basketball, and track. Her freshman, junior, and senior years she qualified for the regional meet with her team in Cross-Country. In basketball her freshman year, she received the Newcomer of the Year award, and 1st team All-District her sophomore and junior years. Her senior year Merritt was named District Offensive MVP, as well as 2nd team All-Region. Merritt also competed at the regional track meet her sophomore through senior years. Merritt was also very active in FFA. She competed with the Farm Skills team for three years as well as the Livestock, and Cotton Judging teams. She also showed steers at every major show in Texas since she was in the third grade. Some of her greatest accomplishments and memories include the ones she made in the barn with her stock show family.

Merritt plans to attend West Texas A&M University where she will minor in Ag Communications, and major in Speech Pathology.

Christopher Ryan Alaniz

Christopher Ryan Alaniz is the son of Pete Alaniz and Alison King.

Chris has participated in varsity football, basketball, track, golf, one act play, and FFA contests. His sophomore year, his team advanced to the area championship in basketball and won the Bi-District Championship; junior and senior years in football his team advanced to the Area round of playoffs and were District and Bi-District Champs. Over the

New Home High School Merritt Mitchell

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New Home High School Senior Biographies

years Christopher has been nominated as First Team All-District Center,

South Plains College for a degree in Radiology.

First Team All-District Defensive

Lineman, and Second Team Special

His future plans are to attend

Eric Baker

Eric Baker is the son of Mike Baker, Sammie Edwards, and Zane Edwards. Eric's freshman year he par-

ticipated in football, basketball, and track. His junior year he ran varsity track and helped his team make it to the regional track meet in the mile relay. His senior year he participated in varsity football, basketball, golf, and track. In football he received First Team All-District Wide Receiver and First Team All-District Safety. He also received Second Team All-Region Wide Receiver and Second Team All-Region Safety. He participated in varsity golf and helped his team get third place at the Sands Invitational and Fourth place at the district meet. Eric has also shown hogs and received Grand Champion Hog at the New Home Livestock show his freshman year, his sophomore year he received seventh place in his class at the Houston Livestock Show, and his senior year he received third place in his class at the San Antonio Livestock Show and Rodeo.

Eric's plans after high school are to attend South Plains College for two years and then transfer to Texas Tech University to get a degree in

Jonathan Albert Flores Jonathan Albert Flores is the

son of Albert and Maria Flores and came to New Home his senior year. Jonathan has participated in many athletic events such as football, basketball, and track. Jonathan's junior year in track he advanced to the state track meet in the sprint relay, and the 800-meter relay and got 5th in the sprint and 4th in the 800-meter relay. This year he was part of the team that won district, and bi-district making, it to the area game in football. Jonathan received All-District First Team Running Back, Cornerback, and Offensive MVP. He also got All-Regional First Team Cornerback, Second Team Running Back, and All-State Honorable Mention Cornerback. This year Jonathan advanced to the regional track meet in the 100-meter-dash and 200-meterdash. Jonathan attends FCA every Wednesday morning and a church group called College and Career every Wednesday night. He is also part of the National Honor Society.

After high school Jonathan plans to attend South Plains College and major in Criminal Justice.

> Ramiro Gomez Ramiro Gomez is the son of Juan

Raul and Maria Gomez. Ramiro. Ramiro is the tallest student in the senior class and has been since kindergarten. Ramiro has enjoyed participating in varsity basketball his junior and senior years. Ramiro has also participated in Fellow Christian Athletes for two years and has been on the A-B Honor roll throughout his time here at New Home.

His future plans include going to South Plains College to earn an associate's degree in blacksmithing and welding.

Michael Goodnough Michael Goodnough is the son

of Geoff and Trica Goodnough, and

Tina Bastianos He arrived at New Home half way through his freshmen year. Michael has competed in football for three years and was named All-District Nose Guard his junior year. Michael also competed in livestock judging all throughout high school and made the State Livestock Judging Team his junior and senior years of high school. Michael showed hogs from his eighth grade year to his junior year where he showed competitively at County and Major Stock

Michael plans to judge at South Plains College this fall, and attend Texas Tech University where he plans to major in architecture

Arnulfo Gonzalez III Arnulfo Gonzalez III is the son of

Arnulfo and Mary Gonzalez. He competed in football his freshman; and sophomore years. He was a starting offensive tackle for the Cooper Pirates and went undefeated in 2011. He came to New Home in the fall of 2012 and had an injury that ended his football career. Here at New Home Arnulfo has competed in power-lifting and track. He is also a part of New Home Fellow Christian Athletes. After high school Arnulfo plans to attend the fire academy at South Plains College and become a local fire fighter.

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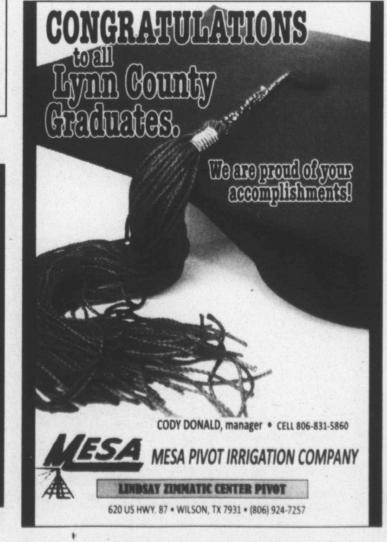
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Skye Dence Kirkland Skye Dence Kirkland is the hter of Bridgett Kirkland and Bryan Kirkland.

She has been a part of Fellow Christian Athletes all four years of high school. She was involved in varsity cheer, cross-country, basketball and track. She has also been involved in One Act Play, receiving Honorable-Mention-All-Star-Cast her sophomore and junior years, and All-Star-Cast her senior year. Skye was the mascot her sophomore and junior years. She was won Top-All-American-Mascot, and she was awarded the Leadership Award and Best Mascot of 2012 at NCA Cheer Camp. She performed in the NCA and NDA Christmas Extravaganza in 2011 and 2012. After graduation, she will attend Angelo State University to major in Accounting.

Karter Spence Long Karter Spence Long is the son of Buddy and Theresa Long. He is

a member at the Indiana Avenue

Church of Christ.

He is also a member of the National Society of High School Scholars. He has been a member of FFA his whole high school career, competing in leadership and skills teams. He qualified for state on the livestock judging team each year of his high school career. This year, the judging team won the South Plains judging contest and the Texas Tech Invitational. Karter has shown cattle at local, county, and state levels. He won the Lynn County Steer show this year along with steer showmanship the past two years and also won the Sandhills Hereford show in Odessa his junior year, as well as the champion Hereford in San Antonio, winning a \$15,000 dollar scholarship.

He exhibited the Reserve Cham-

pion Brangus during his sophomore

year and had the reserve champion

Hereford steer at Fort Worth dur-

ing his senior year. Also during his

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the Year his junior year. He has also helped conduct showmanship and cattle clinics across the South Plains.

After high school, Karter plans to attend South Plains College and later transfer to Texas Tech to obtain a degree in animal science and a minor in agri-business. He would also like to study embryology and attend auctioneer school in the future.

Alexis Christine Meza Alexis Christine Meza is the

daughter of Chris Meza and Rachel

Alexis participated in basketball, track, and cheer. She was proud to be part of the basketball team her junior year that made it to the playoffs. She received Honorable Mention All-District for basketball in 2013, and she was actively involved in New Home FFA for radio skills her sophomore year. She has been part of Fellow Christian Athletes all four years of high school and a member of Holy Spirit Catholic Church for the past five years. She has also been part of student council and part of the yearbook staff this year.

Her future plans are to attend Kaplan College to major in the Med-

Jesse Dean Terry Jesse Dean Terry the daughter of Mark and Quenna Terry.

She competed in basketball, track and cross-country her freshmen through junior years. She also participated in golf and cheerleading. Jesse was mainly involved in FFA and 4-H where she competitively showed lambs on the state and national levels. She was also a part of the livestock, wool and radio teams all four years in FFA. In 4-H she was on the Consumer Decision Making team that made it to State four years in a row. Jesse was also a member of Fellow Christian Athletes where she attended every Wednesday. One of her greatest accomplishments her senior year was winning Grand Champion at the San Angelo Stock Show

After high school Jesse plans on going to Texas Tech University to major in Agricultural Communica-

Alexsis Raquel Torres Alexsis Raquel Torres is the daughter of Joe and Rose Torres. Lexi has attended New Home School for thirteen years. While at New Home, she participated in basketball for four years, track for four years, and cheerleading her senior year. Lexi also participated in FFA where she competed in Radio Skills and Cotton Judging. She is a member of Holy Spirit Catholic Church where she is involved in her youth group and continues to learn more about her faith.

Her future plans are to attend Lubbock Christian University where she will major in nursing. After college, she will work as a pediatric nurse and continue her love of helping children.



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> Love always, Mike & Sunny

New Home High School Congratulations, Alexsis Raquel Torres!

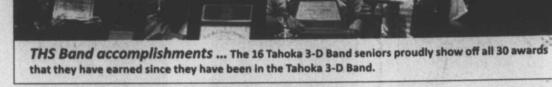


Lexi,

When we had you 18 years ago we always imagined and dreamt of what type of young lady you'd become. We would hold you in our arms and just think ... What is this little baby going to be when she grows up? Will she forever have that loving smile on her face, that laughter that just melts you to pieces? That smirk that let us know you were always thinking a step ahead of us. Or the giggles that let us know of your sweet innocence. And oh that hair, would it ever grow out, because it was so short and seemed like it'd never grow. We'd just sit and imagine what your voice would sound like. As a baby and as you grew I think anyone who knows you will agree that you my sweetie have a heart of GOLD. You see nothing but the best in people. Thank you for showing us how great our God is and how beautiful his lovely creations are. You are an amazing work of art!!! You my dear are going to succeed in everything you do because you know who comes first and always know your strength comes from God. As one chapter ends a new one begins. This is only the beginning of your story called "Life". From this day forward you are in complete control of your destiny. Make these the best days of your life. Never fear to explore the world, to be a leader and not a follower. Be the individual that you dream of changing the world. You can dream as big as you want and you yourself can make it all become a reality. We hope you have a great graduation day and that you enjoy every second of every day in this fun filled world. We are very proud of you and can't wait to see what the

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Lord has in store for you in your



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Thank you, All! We want to thank all of the Tahoka High School Student Council students for repairing and painting the fence at the home of our parents, Margarito and Carolina Chapa, on 7th St. It gave them a smile and a lift in

their hearts, and it looks great! We also want to thank Roddy Gandy, Alton James and the men from the Methodist Church HOME Ministry, for building them a ramp. Thank you all so much, and God bless all of you. Adolph, Manuela, Frances, Chris and Andrew Chapa

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Alexsis Torres

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Mom and the late Pops Alonzo

Tiffany Marie Torres

daughter of Manuel and Rosalinda

cross-country, and golf her fresh-

man, and sophomore years. During

her junior and senior years she was

a member of the yearbook staff. Tif-

fany is also a member of Blessed Sac-

rament Catholic Church in Wilson,

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Catholic faith. She was also involved

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Clayton Dale Walden

Clayton Dale Walden the son of

Clayton has participated in varsi-

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Junior Year Clayton received First

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relay and the mile relay. His senior year he received Defensive MVP in

District and was also awarded with

First Team All-District Full-Back.

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ing All-State Second Team Line-

Clayton plans to attend South

Plains College for two years. He will then continue his education at Texas

Tech University, pursuing a bach-

elor's degree in Exercise and Sports

backer.

Tiffany's future plans are to at-

years of high school.

come a Dental Hygienist.

Darel and Diana Walden.

Tiffany Marie Torres is the

Tiffany has participated in track,

offered for youth June 4-6 in Tahoka Tahoka area youth are invited to participate in the N.A.M. Baseball Camp, headed by THS

Baseball Camp

Baseball Coach Stephen Overstreet, June 4-6 at the Tahoka High School baseball field. Topics covered in the camp include hitting, fielding, pitching, and baserunning. Cost is \$25, which will include a t-shirt.

Session 1, from 8:30-9:45 a.m., will be for students in Kindergarten-3rd grade (based on classification during the 2013-14 school year just ending).

Session 2, from 10:00-11:15 a.m., is for students who are completing grades 4-6 this year.

Session 3, from 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., is for students who are completing 7th-8th grade this year.

Call Coach Overstreet at 806-777-5754 to sign up or for more information. Youth may also sign up the first day of

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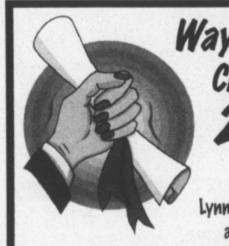
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Academic All-Stars ... These Tahoka High School students were honored at the THS Academic Awards event for maintaining straight A's throughout the year. They are, in back from left, Jeremiah De-Leon, Cort Fisher, Kordell Baker, Ray Parmer, Dane Rivas and Luke Fleenor; and in front, McKenzie Dimak, Averi Starkey, Kaitlyn Lehman, Kirstin Stice, Madison Lockaby, and Kaycee Lehmann.

Signups due now

slated June 7th

for 3-on-3 Tourney

Signups will be accepted

through Friday, May 30, for the

Second Annual 3-on-3 Basket-

ball Tournament sponsored by

the Tahoka Area Chamber of

Commerce, which has been set for Saturday, June 7. See entry form on this page in this edition

There will be several age divisions, starting with elemen-

tary age youth: 3rd/4th grade;

5th/6th grade; 7th/8th grade;

High School division; age 18-29

years; and 30 and older; Male,

Female or Co-ed Divisions (may be combined if necessary).

anteed two games. All proceeds

will benefit the Lynn County Pi-

oneers Senior Citizens Center.

441-8753 to volunteer or be a

sponsor, or for entry forms.

All age divisions are guar-

Contact Mandi Duncan at

of The News.



Double whammy ... Two white sedans, one on either side of Hwy. 87, were submerged in waterfilled ditches Sunday morning. These photos were taken about 7 miles north of Tahoka, after the area received some much-needed rain. Rain totals varied from 3.5 to 6 inches throughout the Lynn County area, in unofficial reports from county residents. The official measurement in Tahoka was 3.95 inches

Voting to be held at AgriLife Extension offices for Texas Beef Checkoff Referendum June 2-6

Texas beef producers can soon vote in the upcoming Texas Beef Checkoff Referendum June 2-6. Voting will occur at all Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service offices during regular business hours, said Dr. Susan Ballabina, AgriLife Extension associate director for program through a refundable \$1 per head

development at College Station. Ballabina said the statewide election is being conducted by the Texas Department of Agriculture in accordance with provisions of the Texas Agriculture Code.

"If passed, the producer managed program would be financed

assessment at each point of sale," Ballabina said. "The money would be used

for promotion, marketing, research and educational efforts of beef and beef products in Texas, the U.S. and/or internationally. Funding decisions would be made by the Beef Promotion and Research Council of Texas whose members would be appointed by the Texas Commissioner of Agriculture from nominees submitted by the Texas Beef Council."

Ballabina said eligible producers can vote at any AgriLife Extension office regardless of where they live or where their cattle are located. Producers may vote as individuals or as a legal business entity. Youth younger than 16 years old must have a parent or guardian co-sign their ballot. Persons unable to access an AgriLife Extension office during the voting period can request a mail-in ballot from the Texas Department of Agriculture between May 19 and June 2.

If passed, Ballabina made the following points:

Assessment collection

would begin Oct. 1.

· A producer who has paid an assessment to the Texas Beef Checkoff may obtain a refund of the amount paid by filing an application for refund with the Beef Promotion and Research Council of Texas within 60 days after the

date of payment. · The Texas Beef Checkoff program differs from the current U.S. Beef Checkoff in two ways, though the Texas program may complement and extend the U.S. Beef Checkoff efforts. First, the U.S. program requires half the revenue be paid to the Cattlemen's Beef Promotion and Research Board, but all the Texas Beef Checkoff assessment would be managed by the Beef Promotion and Research Council of Texas. The second difference is the Texas Beef Checkoff assess-

ment is refundable · Individuals are considered "non-producers" and are exempt from the proposed assessment if they own cattle for less than 10 days or serve as a dealer or order. buyer in the sales transaction. Non-producers are also ineligible

to vote in the referendum. For more information on the checkoff and referendum: Lance Williams, Texas Department of Agriculture, Box 12847, Austin, Tx 78711 or call 512-463-3285 or visit http://texasagriculture.gov/

Commissioners lift burn bar

by JUANELL JONES

Lynn County Commissioners voted to lift the current burn ban to allow agricultural burning, due to the good rains the county received during the last weekend. Should conditions change, commissioners can reinstate the burn ban if they so choose.

In other business, commissioners agreed to allow the Lynn County Animal Control Services Board to proceed with plans for the construction of an additional building to replace the building lost in a fire. County Judge Mike Braddock, who is a member of the Animal Control Board that met last week, reported that the animal shelter had received approximately \$31,000 for the new building, including \$13,774.85 from insurance, and more than \$17,000 in donations contributed after the fire. The Board will take bids on the project to build a cinderblock building on a concrete slab, to be added adjacent to the current facility.

Bryan Reynolds and Wendy Scott from the Lynn County Extension Office presented annual reports to commissioners, and presented a plaque of appreciation to County Judge Braddock and the Commissioners for their

support of AgriLife Extension programs. Reynolds noted that the Extension Service is observing their 100th anniversary this year, and that the extension program started in Lynn County in

Judge Braddock noted that he will meet Thursday morning with Komatsu Architects and a representative from the Texas Historical Commission to discuss procedures on using the emergency grant funds that Lynn County was awarded recently. The funds will be used for electrical upgrades in the courthouse, and other emergen-

Action was tabled regarding moving the Justice of Peace office out to the county-owned weigh station on Hwy. 380, until information on security system costs become available. Budget amendments and monthly bills were approved.

Judge Braddock led the meeting with all four commissioners present, as well as other county officials.

Fun Nutrition Trivia Fact www.farmsfoodfun.com

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May God's Grace Shine On You and Thank you in advance! Thanks to everyone assisting in our communities in all areas in making this event possible! Any questions contact Fabian Toscano @ 806-201-3506.

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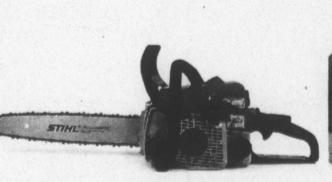
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