

Supporting our hospital ... A great crowd turned out for the LCHD Billy Tomlinson Memorial Hospital Benefit Auction held at the showbarn Saturday evening. Early reports indicate more than \$50,000 was raised for the hospital at the event.
(LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

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HAVE A BLESSED EASTER

TISD Supt. Dick Van Hoose will present info about the Tahoka ISD Bond Election at a Community Meeting:

- **Thursday, April 18 - 5:30 pm** at the Tahoka Housing Authority Center 1400 Ave. K & South 3rd
All citizens welcome to attend

SPORTS THIS WEEK

- BASEBALL**
Apr 19 Tahoka at Sundown, 1 pm
Apr 23 O'Donnell at Tahoka, 5 pm
- SOFTBALL**
Apr 22 Tahoka at Forsan, 5 pm
- TRACK**
Apr 26-27 Regional Meet at Levelland

What's Outside

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Apr 9	84	50	
Apr 10	94	54	
Apr 11	91	40	
Apr 12	65	39	
Apr 13	67	41	1.80"
Apr 14	45	35	0.55"
Apr 15	70	35	

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

Total Precip for Jan:	0.00"
Total Precip for Feb:	0.00"
Total Precip for Mar:	0.45"
Total Precip for Apr:	2.80"
Total Precip. for 2019:	4.39"

Early Voting begins Monday for local May 4th elections

Early Voting for the May 4 elections will begin Monday, April 22 and continue through next Tuesday, April 30. In Lynn County, four entities have scheduled elections. Tahoka ISD will have a bond election, Wilson ISD and O'Donnell ISD will have trustee elections, and the City of O'Donnell will have a city council election. Registered voters are reminded to bring their voter registration card and a photo ID to polling locations.

Voters in the Tahoka school district may vote early at the Lynn County Clerk's Office, 1627 Ave. K, from 8 a.m.-12 noon and 1-5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Two 12-hour early voting days will be conducted, from 7 a.m.-7 p.m., on Monday, April 22, and on Tuesday, April 30.

Tahoka ISD canceled their trustee elections with unopposed candidates, so the only issue on the special election ballot will be the \$7.5 million bond proposal. Proposition A will read: "The issuance of \$7,500,000 of bonds by Tahoka

Independent School District for the construction, acquisition, renovation and equipment of school buildings in the district, the purchase of new school buses, and the levying of the tax for payment thereof." The district proposes to build a new gymnasium, baseball field, softball field, field house and football practice field, and make improvements to the high school building. If any additional funding remains after those projects, those funds will be applied towards the purchase of new school buses.

Wilson ISD will conduct early voting at the Wilson ISD Central Office at 1411 Green Street, during regular business hours from 8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. There are four candidates for three seats on the Wilson ISD Board of Trustees, including two incumbents, Les Walker and Tracy Kendrick, and two other candidates, Oscar Ortega and Santiago "J.J." Pena Jr.

O'Donnell ISD will conduct early voting at the O'Donnell ISD
(See EARLY VOTING, page 4)



Street removal ... The street that curves from Main to Ave. J just west of the Lynn County Courthouse is being removed, and will become lawn area for the courthouse, returning the downtown area to a true square. It's part of the courthouse restoration project that is expected to be completed by this summer.
(LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

'Shattered Dreams' realistic enactment set here Monday

A "Shattered Dreams" enactment will be presented in Tahoka Monday morning, April 22, including emergency response to a realistic enacted automobile accident

caused by drunk driving. It's all part of a program aimed at encouraging Tahoka High School youth to consider the consequences of driving while under the influence of

drugs or alcohol. The "accident" will be staged near the school, with emergency response to include law enforcement, EMS, and an Aerocare EMS

helicopter landing in an area for treatment of victims." Sirens and emergency response may be seen and heard in the community from 8 a.m. until noon with this program.

National Public Safety Telecommunications Week: Four manage phones for all Lynn County emergency calls

by JUANELL JONES

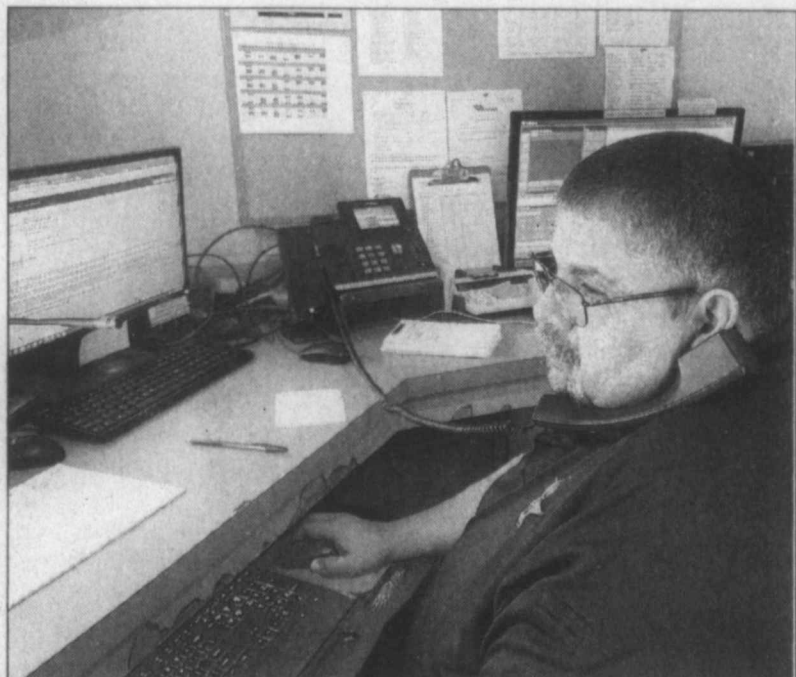
"9-1-1 what's your emergency?"

The voice on the other end of the phone when you call 9-1-1 is calm and professional, asking pertinent questions in order to dispatch help your way. In Lynn County, all emergency calls go through the Lynn County Sheriff's Office, where the hardworking dispatchers and public safety telecommunicators serve as a vital link between the community and fire, medical, and law enforcement agencies. They calmly dispatch for 9-1-1 calls, Tahoka and O'Donnell Police Departments, Lynn County Sheriff's Deputies, DPS, four coun-

ty volunteer fire departments, and Lynn County EMS.

This week, April 14-20, is National Public Safety Telecommunications Week, a time to thank the men and women who perform such a vital service to their communities.

Lt. Luis Vasquez is the Communications Supervisor at the Lynn County Sheriff's Office, heading a staff of three dispatchers who work in shifts to answer all incoming calls, 24/7 every day of the year. They include Sgt. Rebecca McKibben, Communications, 10 years;
(See EMERGENCY CALLS, page 4)



Experienced telecommunicator ... Lt. Luis Vasquez, Communications Supervisor at the Lynn County Sheriff's Office, is approaching his 25th year in the job next month. He heads the dispatch staff that answers all emergency calls coming in to the Sheriff's Office.



Did you know?



More than four tons of old U.S. paper money is mulched into compost every day.



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Obituaries



Hazel Rachelle "Jeepers" Brock

A memorial service for Hazel Rachelle "Jeepers" Brock will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, April 18, 2019, at Brownfield Funeral Home Memorial Chapel.

Rachelle passed away April 14, 2019, in Lubbock. She was born November 15, 1948, in Fort Worth to Shell and Hazel Brock. She graduated from Brownfield High School. Rachelle loved her family, especially her grandchildren. She also loved the Red Raiders and watching Turner Classic Movies.

Rachelle is preceded in death by her parents, Shell

and Hazel Brock, brother, Bobby Brock, and sister-in-law, Mary Brock.

Rachelle is survived by two children, Tammi Angeley and husband, Michael of Tahoka, Rowdy Braddock of Tahoka; three grandchildren, Kenzie Kemp, Kohl Angeley, Clint Braddock; one great-grandchild, Rhett Kemp; two brothers, Paul Brock and wife, Norma of Lamesa, Ricky Brock and wife, Kathy of Brownfield; and numerous nieces and nephews. (PAID)

Senior Citizens Menu

April 22-26
Monday: Lasagna, Spinach, salad, banana
Tuesday: Chicken fajitas, chuckwagon corn, Spanish rice, fruit cup
Wednesday: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, spinach, pea salad, fruit cocktail
Thursday: Herb roasted chicken thighs, potato wedges, peas & carrots, strawberries
Friday: Jambalaya, carrots, cornbread, lazy cake

Holy Week Services slated at First Methodist Church

First Methodist Church of Tahoka invites area residents to Holy Week Services.

Good Friday services will be held Friday, April 19, at 6 p.m. in the church sanctuary with special Communion.

Community Easter Sunrise Services will be held at approximately 7 a.m. at T-Bar Ranch on Easter Sunday, April 21. The turnout is 6 miles west of Tahoka on Hwy. 380. Bring lawn chairs for seating.

Easter Sunday worship services will begin at 10:30 a.m. in the church sanctuary, with no Sunday School classes to be held that morning.

First Methodist Church is located at 1801 Ave. J in Tahoka. Call the church at 561-4503 for more information.

Three Community Easter Sunrise Services slated by local churches

Three area Community Easter Sunrise Services have been scheduled by local churches for Easter Sunday, April 21.

• First Methodist Church of Tahoka is sponsoring an Easter Sunrise Service at approximately 7 a.m. at T-Bar Ranch. The turnout is 6 miles west of Tahoka on Hwy. 380. Bring lawn chairs for seating.

• First Baptist Church, Wilson, and Tahoka Lake Pasture are sponsoring an Easter Sunrise Service at 7 a.m. at Tahoka Lake Pasture. Turn east off FM 400 approximately 8 miles north of Tahoka (or 2.5 miles south of Wilson), where a black mailbox sits with number 883 in white, near a white sign for "Advantage Asphalt." Cross 2 cattle guards, turn left (east) at a branching road, continue east until reaching the "old Rugged Cross" on "Sunrise Point" overlooking the lake. The ranch road is not recommended for vehicles with low clearance. Wear closed-toe shoes.

• Grassland Church of the Nazarene invites area residents to an Easter Sunrise Service at 7 a.m. Sunday, April 21, at Grassland Cemetery (1 mile south of Grassland on FM 1313).

Chamber, Baptist Church to sponsor Community Easter Egg Hunt Sunday

The Tahoka Area Chamber of Commerce and the First Baptist Church of Tahoka will join together for this year's Community Easter Egg Hunt, with the event to be held on Easter Sunday, April 21.

All area children are invited to the Tahoka Mini-Park from 9:30-10:30 a.m., located between the First Baptist Church and First Methodist Church of Tahoka on Ave. J and N. 1st Street. The fun starts at 9:30 a.m. with train rides around the park on the WTS&O train sponsored by Leighton Knox and the Chamber of Commerce, with egg hunts to follow at 10 a.m.

Coffee and donuts will be served in the FBC Fellowship Hall. The event will end at 10:30 a.m., in time for children and their families to attend church services of their choice.

Wilson First Baptist, Tahoka Lake Pasture set special services

First Baptist Church, Wilson, and Tahoka Lake Pasture are offering special Easter services, including an Easter Sunrise Service at the Tahoka Lake Pasture, followed by Easter Morning services and Easter Egg Hunt at the church.

The Easter Sunrise Service begins at 7 a.m. at Tahoka Lake Pasture. Turn east off FM 400 approximately 8 miles north of Tahoka (or 2.5 miles south of Wilson), where a black mailbox sits with number 883 in white, near a white sign for "Advantage Asphalt." Cross 2 cattle guards, turn left (east) at a branching road, continue east until reaching the "old Rugged Cross" on "Sunrise Point" overlooking the lake. The ranch road is not recommended for vehicles with low clearance. Wear closed-toe shoes. For those who would like to ride with the group leaving from First Baptist, Wilson, be at the church located at 1403 13th Street in Wilson, by 6:45 a.m.

The church nursery will open at 9:45 a.m., with an Easter Egg Hunt at the church set for 10:15 a.m. Easter Morning worship services will begin at 11 a.m., and will include a children's service and puppet ministry. All are welcome to attend all services.

Easter Sunrise Service set at Grassland Cemetery

Grassland Church of the Nazarene invites area residents to an Easter Sunrise Service at 7 a.m. Sunday, April 21, at Grassland Cemetery (1 mile south of Grassland on FM 1313). All are invited and welcome to join in!

Breakfast will follow in Grassland Fellowship Hall. Sunday School begins at 10 a.m., and Resurrection Worship is at 11 a.m. at Grassland Church of the Nazarene, 2885 CR 25 (2 miles south of 380 on 212).

We invite everyone to the **Community Easter Sunrise Service**
Sunday, April 21 • 7:00 a.m. at T-Bar Ranch (6 miles west of Tahoka on Hwy. 380)
Please bring lawn chairs

Please join us for: HOLY WEEK SERVICES

FRIDAY, APRIL 19 at 6:00 p.m. in the church sanctuary with special Communion

EASTER SUNDAY at 10:30 a.m. in the church sanctuary. (No Sunday School classes)

1801 Avenue J • Tahoka • 561-4503

Billy Everett, pastor

Please visit these Lynn County Churches

Wilson St. Paul Lutheran Church

16th & Houston St. • Box 136 • Wilson, TX 79381
(806) 628-6471 • www.stpaulwilson.com

PASTOR: DAVID W. ROHDE

Sunday School 9:15 am • Divine Service 10:15 am

"Where Christ Serves People"

Rolled Away
When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him." Mark 16:4, 6

Wilson First Baptist Church

1403 13th St. • Box 67 • Wilson, TX 79381 • (806) 628-6333

PASTOR: BILLY PARMER

Sunday School - 9:45 am
Sunday Worship - 11:00 am & 6:00 pm
Discipleship Training - 5 pm Sunday
6:30 pm Wednesdays:
Fellowship Meal & Classes for all ages
• Bible Study & Prayer Mtg • Youth

Wilson St. John Lutheran Church

13th & Dickson • Wilson, TX 79381 • (806) 628-6573

Sharing Christ's message of forgiveness and salvation with our community and beyond.

TONDA FREITAG, PLM

Sunday School - 9:30 am • Sunday Worship - 10:45 am

Most of us know that Jesus was raised from the dead. Whenever we hear it, we know it to be part of the story of Jesus. But have we ever really meditated on the truth of that statement? Jesus was raised from the dead! Certainly he can be trusted with our lives.

Grassland Nazarene Church

2885 CR 25 • Tahoka, TX 79373 • (806) 327-5656

Pastor Genell Knisley
(806) 201-0792

Sunday School - 10:00 am
Sunday Morning Worship - 11:00 am
Wednesday Prayer Service - 7:00 pm

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Pastor Madoc Thomas
(806) 470-2939
emt@madocthomas.com

350 N. Main • New Home, TX 79383
(806) 924-7549

Sunday School 9:45 am • Worship 10:45 am

Many times we doubt God's love for us. We cast him aside and try to do it all ourselves. We doubt his truth and his healing power. We don't think we can do everything through his strength, yet, in the same breath, we easily accept that Jesus died and rose again. If he can do that, our trials can be overcome!

Draw First United Methodist Church

(established 1907)

P.O. Box 496 • O'Donnell, TX 79351
Phone (806) 428-3357

PASTOR: REV. WESTON PENDERGRASS
Sunday Morning Worship - 9:15 am

TAHOKA Church of Christ

2320 Lockwood • Box 1177 • Tahoka, TX 79373
(806) 561-4060 • email: tcoc@poka.com

Sunday School - 10:00 am
Sunday Worship - 11 am

Fellowship & Devotion
Wednesday 6:30 pm

New Home Baptist Church

Corner of 4th & Smith • Pastor: Larry Maddox
"Serving the Lord for 100 Years"

SERVICES:

Sunday School.....10:00 am
Sunday Worship.....11:00 am
Wednesday Bible Study.....7:00 pm
Wed. Youth/Children's Activities ...7:00 pm

First Baptist Church

1701 Ave. K • Box 1547 • Tahoka, TX 79373
(806) 561-4557 • www.fbctahoka.org

PASTOR CLIFF HOLDRIDGE

Sunday School - 9:45 am
Morning Worship Service - 10:45 am
SNL (Youth) - 6:00 pm Sunday
Activities For All Ages -
Call For Complete Schedule

Do you need a church home?
Please visit one of the churches listed on this page. May the peace and love of God, in Christ, be with you.

New Home Church of Christ

324 N. Main • Box 188 • New Home, TX 79383 • (806) 924-7579

MINISTER: MIKE HEATWOLE

Bible Class - 10:00 am
Sunday Worship Service - 10:45 am
Wednesday Evening Bible Study - 7:00 pm

Tahoka Trinity Church

1925 Lockwood • Box 1168 • Tahoka • (806) 561-5317

PASTOR: PERRY SHUFFIELD

Sunday School - 9:45 am
Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 am
Sunday Evening Worship - 6 pm
Youth - Sundays at 7 pm

For a ride to Sunday School or Church, call 561-5317

First Methodist of Tahoka

1801 Ave. J • Tahoka • (806) 561-4503
email: fumctahoka@poka.com
Billy Everett, Pastor

SUNDAYS: Sunday School - 9:30 am
Sunday Worship - 10:30 am (Fellowship Hall)
"Like" our Facebook page... facebook/FMoTahoka

Let the Children Come 7 am-6 pm
LICENCED CHILD CARE 806-561-4529 M-F

Sweet Street Baptist Church

1300 AVENUE J • BOX 751 • TAHOKA, TX 79373 • (806) 561-5310
DAVID EARNEST, PASTOR • (806) 438-5105

Sunday School - 9:45 am
(A Bible Study Class for all ages)

Morning Worship - 10:50 am
(Uplifting Music - Message from God's Word)

Wednesday Night - 6 pm
(Prayer & Bible Study, Children & Youth Ministries)

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

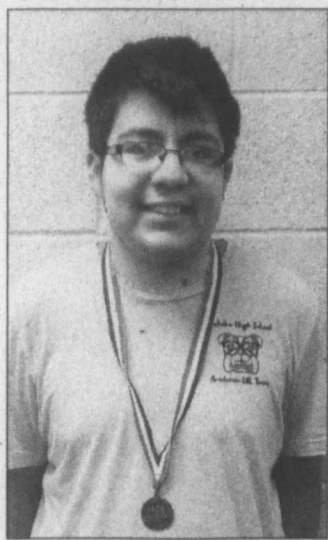
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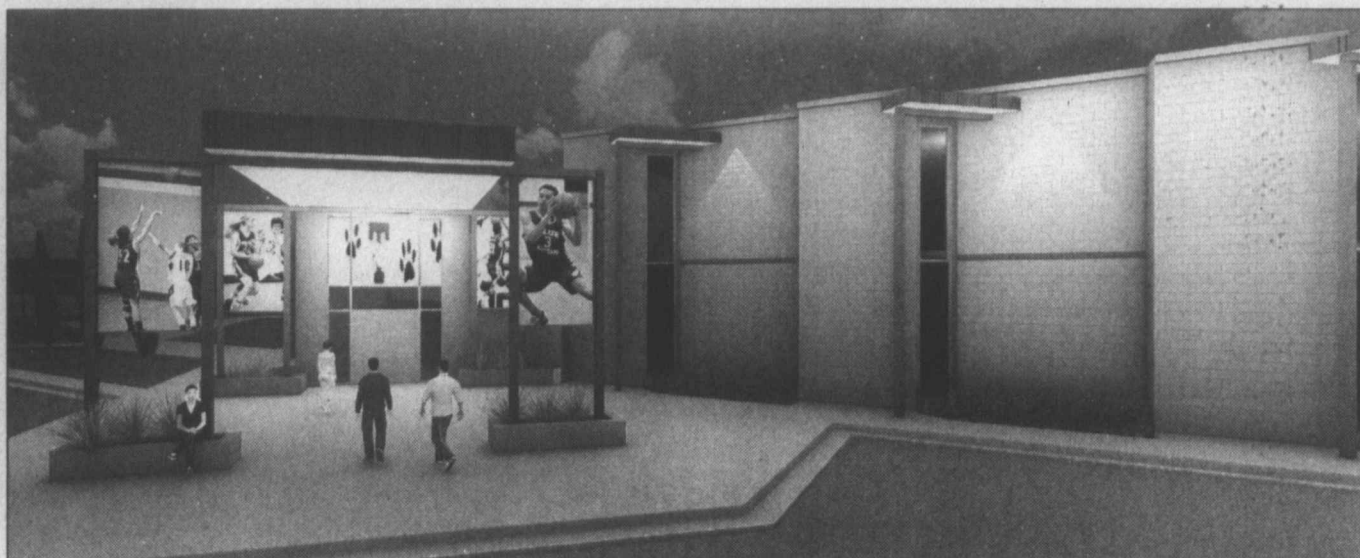
THS student qualifies for State in Academic UIL event

This past weekend, two Tahoka High School students participated at the Region 1 Academic UIL Competition in Odessa, with Rogelio Garcia, a freshman, qualifying to advance to the State UIL Competition May 2-4 in Austin.

Garcia competed in Current Issues and Events. The contest consists of 40 multiple-choice questions and an essay that focuses on a basic knowledge of current state, national and world events and issues. Rogelio placed 3rd at the regional event, and is headed to the State UIL Competition in

Austin. Molly Broun, a sophomore, competed in the News Writing event at the regional academic meet. The News Writing Contest teaches students to read critically, to digest and prioritize information quickly, and to write clearly, accurately and succinctly.

"Tahoka High School is beyond proud of our students and the increase in overall participation in UIL this year. We are looking forward to representing our school and community at State!" said a sponsor.



Gym proposal ... Pictured here is a rendering of the proposed new THS gymnasium that would be built on the N. 5th Street property if voters approve the Tahoka ISD bond election. This view shows the entry area that would include panels for displaying large photos of Tahoka athletes. The front foyer area would have concessions and restroom facilities, which would also be shared with the baseball/softball complexes that would be built adjacent to the gym. The bond election is May 4, with early voting starting Monday, April 22 and continuing through April 30, at the Lynn County Clerk's Office, 1627 Ave. K in Tahoka.

Vehicle strikes two cows on FM 1317 road

by JUANELL JONES

The only traffic accident in law enforcement reports this week involved a vehicle hitting two cows on FM 1317 on Sunday night, at 10:29 p.m. Facundo Hirachetta of New Home was the driver of a 2002 Lincoln pickup that struck two cows about two miles east of the Petty Gin on FM 1317. No injuries were reported.

Several reports of reckless drivers were called in to the Lynn County Sheriff's Office during the week, with three different reports of vehicles speeding up to 100 mph and weaving through traffic on US 87, as well as one report of a pickup driving the wrong way in the southbound lanes of US 87 at 1:53 a.m. last Wednesday, about a half mile south of O'Donnell. No accidents occurred in any of these instances.

A caller reported sand covering the westbound lanes of FM 2192 between FM 211 and FM 41, at 4:15 p.m. last Thursday, and another caller reported water over the road on US

380 3 miles west of Tahoka, at 9:25 a.m. Saturday following heavy rains. TxDOT was notified in both instances.

A small grass fire was reported at 4:28 p.m. last Thursday a fourth of a mile south of CR 3 on US 87, caused by a trailer having a blowout. Wilson Volunteer Fire Dept. was dispatched to the scene.

Sheriff's deputies conducted two welfare checks requested by concerned family members, and investigated a report of a suspicious vehicle in the New Home area. A report of harassment in Wilson was investigated, and a theft of a license plate from a gray F-150 pickup that was parked in front of a residence in New Home was reported.

Tahoka Police arrested a 37-year-old Tahoka man on charges of Possession of Narcotics (methamphetamine) and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, after stopping the man who was walking down Lockwood Street at 2:33 a.m. Sunday, April 14.

Police arrested a 27-year-

old Tahoka man on a Lubbock warrant for larceny, after responding at 3:15 a.m. April 11 to a Main Street residence in reference to a report of threats being made by a family member. The warrant was for theft greater than \$2,500 and less than \$30,000.

Police also responded to a residence in the 2000 block of South 7th at 12:37 p.m. last Thursday, April 11, for an unattended death. Robin Andrew

Griffin, 66, was the deceased, and police notified the Justice of the Peace and County Judge Braddock. The investigation continues, pending an autopsy.

Lynn County Jail held 43 inmates during the past week, including 23 for Ector County and 20 for Lynn County. Local charges included evading arrest w/vehicle, one for forgery of financial instrument, one for possession of marijuana, and one for theft warrant.



Go Nate! ... Nate Resendez (4) streaks for first base as the ball flies over his head, in Tahoka's 17-7 win over Seagraves. It was close, but he makes the run! (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

Annual Archeological Field Season at Tahoka Lake Pasture

May 6-10 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Come for a half day or full day, or all 5 days. Anyone 15 years or older is invited to participate in the "Dig". Spaces are limited!

Contact Clyde May at (806) 327-5434 for applications, leave a message please, or 806-535-5147 (text only) Public/Home School Teachers contact Ms. May about field trips.



Tahoka Lake Pasture

First Baptist Church, Wilson & Tahoka Lake Pasture
invites everyone to

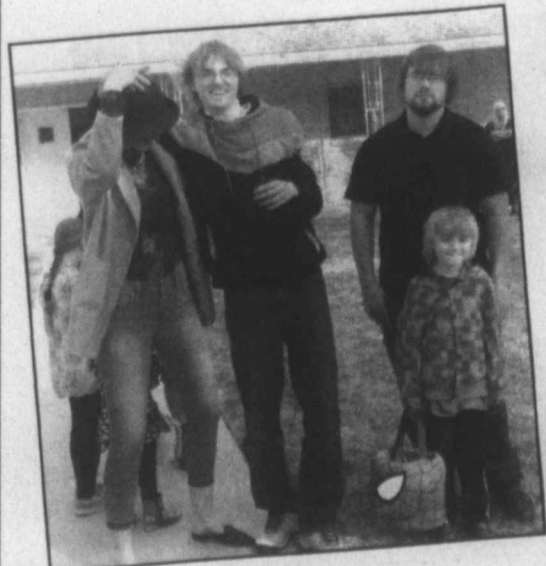
Easter Sunrise Service

Sunday, April 21, 7:00 a.m.
Tahoka Lake Pasture

Gates open at 6:30 a.m. Directions are below or meet at First Baptist Church, Wilson (1403 13th) and catch a ride or follow others at 6:45

Easter Morning SERVICE

First Baptist Church, 1403 13th St. - Wilson 11:00 a.m.



Tahoka Lake Pasture Sunrise Service

- 6:30 a.m. - TLP Center opens (Fellowship, Food, Drinks)
- 6:45 a.m. - Rides from First Baptist Church to TLP
- 7:00 a.m. - Sunrise Service at the Cross
- 9:00 a.m. - TLP Center Closes

Call 806-327-5434 prior to 8 pm Saturday and leave name and phone number for return calls if questions or 806-535-5147 (text only). No one will be available to answer the phone on Sunday morning.

DIRECTIONS TO TAHOKA LAKE PASTURE:

DIRECTIONS: Turn East off FM 400 (approx. 8 miles N of Tahoka or 2.5 miles S of Wilson) where a black mailbox sits with number 883 in white, near a white sign for "Advantage Asphalt." Cross 2 cattle guards; turn left (East) at a branching road (if you reach the quarry you have passed the turn). Continue East until reaching the "old Rugged Cross" on "Sunrise Point" overlooking the lake. The ranch road is NOT recommended for vehicles with low clearance. Closed toe footwear is strongly suggested.



- FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - WILSON
- 9:45 a.m. - Nursery Opens
- 10:15 a.m. - Easter Egg Hunt
- 11:00 a.m. - Easter Morning Services
- Puppet ministry & Choir
- Childcare provided for all ages
- Children's Service after puppet ministry

These local firms are sponsoring this

FARM NEWS:

AgTexas Farm Credit Services
Travis Ferguson and Mike Metzig

Capital Farm Credit
Jason Gandy
Shaun Wied

Farmers Co-op Association
No. 1

Lynn County Farm Bureau

Lynn County emergency calls...

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Xavier Ortiz, Communications Officer, 7 months; and Mia Saldana, Communications Officer, 1 month.

Lt. Vasquez has a wealth of experience in communications, as he will mark his 25th year with the Lynn County Sheriff's Office next month.

Since January, the staff has answered 595 total calls requiring additional response by law enforcement, fire departments, or medical response, and answered 27 calls reporting Controlled Burns, all while answering numerous other routine calls to the office.

"I am very proud of my communications staff here," Sheriff Abraham Vega told *The News*. "They are the unsung heroes. They are truly the lifeline of public safety. In an emergency situation you have your first responders, but in actuality this staff is the first in line to take the call, and they are the ones who notify the appropriate responders. They work very hard, night and day. While we are sleeping, they're taking care of us. I've heard it said that they are the first to know of an emergency, and the last to know how it turns out, but in the meantime they are coordinating between all the agencies needed in an emergency," he added.

The citizens of Lynn County are fortunate to have the services of the Lynn County Sheriff's Office communications staff, and place their trust in the ability of these men and women to perform their duties in a calm and professional manner to expedite the services needed.

These Lynn County telecommunications will be recognized by the O'Donnell Volunteer Fire Dept. at their annual fundraiser meal on Sunday, April 28, to be held from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at the O'Donnell Elementary Cafeteria.

Who's calling?

Since the beginning of January 2019, Lynn County Sheriff's Office Telecommunications/Dispatchers have responded to 595 total calls requiring additional response by law enforcement, fire departments, or medical response, and answered 27 calls reporting Controlled Burns, all while answering numerous other routine calls to the office.

TYPES OF CALLS TO SHERIFF'S OFFICE JANUARY TO DATE:

- 38 - Livestock on roadway
- 1 - Suspicious Activity
- 12 - Escorts
- 37 - Accidents
- 78 - Ambulance Assists
- 29 - Suspicious Vehicle/Person
- 27 - Fire
- 74 - Reckless Driver
- 16 - Thefts
- 5 - Civil
- 38 - Alarms
- 21 - Domestic Disturbance
- 3 - Loud Music
- 2 - Poachers
- 2 - Dog/Cat calls
- 5 - Unattended Deaths
- 12 - House Watch
- 24 - Welfare Check
- 4 - Criminal Mischief
- 15 - Motorist Assists
- 3 - Fights
- 10 - Road Hazard
- 2 - Chase in Progress
- 2 - Unwanted Person
- 1 - Suicidal Person
- 2 - Illegal Dumping
- 1 - Gun Shots
- 1 - Threat
- 113 - Other (meet with complainant)
- 27 - Control Burn Calls

595 TOTAL CALLS responded to by deputies



Communications staff ... Lt. Luis Vasquez, Communications Supervisor, (standing left), is pictured with his communications/dispatch staff at Lynn County Sheriff's Office. They include Xavier Ortiz (standing right), and seated from left, Mia Saldana and Sgt. Rebecca McKibben. This staff answers all emergency and other incoming calls to the Lynn County Sheriff's Office, 24/7, every day of the year. They are to be commended during National Public Safety Telecommunications Week, April 14-20, for the vital service they provide to the community.



Service appreciated ... Outgoing board member Bonnie Schwertner receives a token of appreciation from Board President Doug Bolyard. Mrs. Schwertner has served on the Wilson ISD Board of Trustees for three years.

Did you know?

ABOUT FLOWERS...

• Scientists discovered the world's oldest flower in 2002, in northeast China. The flower,

named *Archaeofructus sinensis*, bloomed around 125 million years ago and resembles a water lily.

• The juice from bluebell flowers was used historically to make glue.

WILSON COMMUNITY NEWS
By Bonnie S. Schwertner
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I'm so proud of the hard work of the Wilson ISD athletes. They presented well at the recent Area competition. Strait Earwood will be advancing to the regional shot put competition. Good Luck!!!

Competitors at the Area Track Meet in Post on April 15th: Lupita Olvera 100 Meter Dash; Marcos Noyola 400 Meter Relay; Tony Pantoja 400 Meter Relay; Oscar Castanon 400 Meter Relay; Strait Earwood Shot Put; Bryan Mendez 400 Meter Relay.

Pre-K Roundup
Wilson ISD will have their Pre-K Roundup on Friday, May 3 from 2:00-3:45 p.m. at the Wilson Elementary School located at 1411 Green Ave.

Parents need to bring child's birth certificate, child's social security card, immunization records, proof of residence in WISD, and parent/guardian driver's license or ID. Children registering must be 4 years old by September 1, 2019.

For more information, contact the school office at 628-6261.

Early Voting ...

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Administrative Office, 400 Small St., during regular business hours from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. There are four candidates for three seats on the O'Donnell ISD Board of Trustees, including three incumbents, Billy Edwards, Landon Mires and Melissa Pedroza, and candidate Simon Resendez Jr.

The City of O'Donnell will conduct early voting at O'Donnell City Hall, 615 8th St., from 8:00 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Two 12-hour early voting days will be conducted, from 7 a.m.-7 p.m., on Thursday, April 25, and on Tuesday, April 30. There are two council seats to fill for the City of O'Donnell, with four candidates seeking those positions, including two incumbents, Jessie Perez and Bruce Vaughn, and candidates Paul Hale and Katy Mires.

Wilson Community Easter Egg Hunt set April 20th at Wilson City Park

St. John Lutheran Church invites all Wilson area residents to the Wilson City Park on Saturday, April 20 at 12 noon for a Community Easter Egg Hunt and Hot Dog Cook-out.

The event will begin with a special performance by P.B. 'n' J., the puppet team from St. John. The Egg Hunt will be-

gin shortly after that for children who are walking through age 12. Hot dogs, drinks and sweets will be available for everyone following the egg hunt. Those attending are invited to bring lawn chairs to enjoy the festivities.

Come join the fun at this special event sponsored by St. John Lutheran Church.



Go! ... Lupita Olvera, in the next-to-outside lane, runs in the 100 Meter Dash for Wilson ISD in the Area Track Meet.

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The family of Paul Bernal would like to express a heartfelt thank you to all of those who have continued to pray for us, sent text, called, sent flowers, gave donations during the process of Paul's recovery. We want to thank all of the friends who came to visit and lifted his spirits. He loved that. We also want to thank Lyntegar friends, Covenant Hospital and Trust Point Rehabilitation Center (2nd Floor) for all they have done to help us through this process. We are very grateful for the continued prayers for his recovery. God Bless each of you!

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THS track teams earn Area honors, to compete in 13 events at Regionals

The Tahoka High School track teams competed at Area in Wink on Monday, competing very well and qualifying to advance to the Regional Meet in Levelland in 10 boys events and three girls events. THS athletes claimed first place medals in 9 regional events.

In the varsity Girls Division Tamy Stroope advanced to regionals with finishing 1st in the 200 with a time of 27.02 seconds and 1st in the 400 with a time of 62.22 seconds. The varsity girls finished 3rd in the 4x100 relay with a time 54.35 seconds and will be advancing to regionals.

The 4x100 Relay consisted of Marisol Vega, Tamy Stroope, Alyssa Elizondo, and Nadalie Carrasco.

The 4x200 finished 7th with a time 2 minute 3.43 seconds. The 4x200 Relay consisted of Marisol Vega, April Pina, Alyssa Elizondo, and Nadalie Carrasco. The girls 4x400 relay finished 6th and consisted of Molly Broun, Alyssa Elizondo, April Pina, and Mikalah Stoope.

In the varsity boy's division Brany Fluellen finished 1st in the 100 with a time of 11.59 seconds and 1st in the 200 with a time of 23.35 seconds.

In the 800 Christian Briones finished 3rd with a time of 2 minutes 12.29 seconds. Tristen Stice finished 1st in the high jump clearing 6 feet. John Stone finished 1st in long jump with a jump of 20 feet 9.5 inches and 1st in triple jump with a jump of 39 feet 2 inches. Major Due finished 3rd in the long jump with a jump of 19 feet 11 inches.

The varsity boys 4x100, 4x200, and 4x400 relay all finished 1st. The Varsity Boys 4x100 consisted of Malik Hamilton, John Stone, Julio Saucedo, and Major Due; they ran a time of 45.06 seconds. The boys 4x200 relay ran a time of 1 minute 35.66 seconds and consisted of Julio Saucedo, Brany Fluellen, Major Due, and John Stone. The boys 4x400 relay ran a time of 3 minutes 36.47 seconds and consisted of Nathaniel Castillo, John Stone, Major Due, and Christian Briones.

The varsity boys team finished the Area meet in 3rd place, one point from getting Area runner-up. All the boys have qualified for regional and will be competing in their events on Friday, April 26 and Saturday, April 27 at Levelland.

"Come out and support these athletes as they continue to represent the Bulldog Family well," said Coach Kevin Comer.



Regional bound... The Tahoka High School boys track team competed at Area in Wink, qualifying in 10 events for Regionals to be held in Levelland, April 26-27.



Going to Regionals ... Tamy Stroope (right) won 1st place in the girls 200m and 400m runs at the Area Track Meet, and was also part of the girls 4x100 relay team that won 3rd place. The relay team is comprised of Alyssa Elizondo, Nadalie Carrasco, Maudi Vega and Tamy. All are advancing to the Regional Track Meet.

NH FFA advances five teams to state

New Home FFA was well represented at the Texas Tech/Area II CDE Contest April 13, 2019. New Home FFA took five teams – poultry judging, livestock judging, meat judging, wool judging, and a farm business management team – and all five teams advanced to state contests!

The results are as follows: Poultry – 6th Overall Team at Texas Tech, 3rd Place Team Area II, Alice Hamilton – 8th High Individual, other team members are Brooklyn Smith, Dylan Brown and Nicki Salvalto; Livestock – 7th Overall Team at Texas Tech, 2nd Place Team Area II, Brooklyn Tyson – 5th High Individual, other

team members are Jake Tabor, Tristan Truhlicka and Celee Smith; Meats – 9th Overall Team at Texas Tech, 1st Place Area II, team members are Hayden Smith, Kamryn Lucas, Dillan Ford and Abi Cathey; Wool – 12th Overall Team at Texas Tech, 4th Place Area II, team members are M'Kenna McFadden, Will Gibson, Brayden Caballero and Cayman Smith; Farm Business Management – 13th Overall Team Texas Tech, 4th Place Team Area II, team members are Zac Ford, Celee Smith, Ryley Stokes and Pace Ritz.

The Wool State contest is April 27 at Texas Tech University. The Farm Business Man-

agement State contest is May 3 at Sam Houston State University, and the Livestock, Poultry and Meats State contest is May 4 at Texas A&M University.

Senior Citizen's Menu

Monday: Lasagna, Spinach, salad, banana

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Friday: Jambalaya, carrots, combread, lazy cake

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- 1st in 200m
- 1st in 400m
- 3rd in girls 4X100 Relay Team

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Please remember that students who register for Pre-Kindergarten must be 4 years old and Kindergarten must be 5 years old by Sept. 1, 2019.

It is critical that everyone with Pre-K aged children in the Tahoka area come to the pre-registration or call the Elementary Office at 561-4350

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