

Happy Thanksgiving!

Be thankful ... Appreciation can change a day, even change a life.  
Your willingness to put it into words is all that is necessary. --Margaret Cousins

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## Be Kind & Thankful

Be thankful for what you have; you'll end up having more. If you concentrate on what you don't have, you will never, ever have enough.

-- Oprah Winfrey

Thanksgiving dinners take 18 hours to prepare. They are consumed in 12 minutes. Halftime takes 12 minutes. This is not coincidence.

-- Erma Bombeck

There is always, ALWAYS, always something to be THANKFUL FOR.

It's a troublesome world. All the people who're in it are troubled with troubles almost every minute. You ought to be thankful, a whole heaping lot, for the places and people you're lucky you're not. -- Dr. Seuss

## What's Outside

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Nov 19	63	38	
Nov 20	74	38	Trace
Nov 21	79	30	
Nov 22	74	56	
Nov 23	60	38	
Nov 24	53	32	
Nov 25	41	32	

(Precipitation/temps measured as of 7 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:	1.59"
Total Precip for Apr:	3.37"
Total Precip for May:	3.32"
Total Precip for June:	1.63"
Total Precip for July:	0.05"
Total Precip for Aug:	1.02"
Total Precip for Sept:	3.75"
Total Precip for Oct :	0.23"
Total Precip for Nov :	2.36"
Total Precip. for 2019:	17.32"

## 100 Years! Helen Bookman, Centenarian, is oldest living African American woman in Lynn County

by JACQUELINE COCKERHAM

On December 1, 2019 Helen Bookman will celebrate her 100th birthday, and will make history as 2019's longest living African American woman in Tahoka, Texas and Lynn County, at the age of 100! She joins a very short list of Centenarians who have celebrated their 100th birthdays as residents of Lynn County, and is the only Centenarian of 2019 of which *The News* is aware.



HELEN BOOKMAN

Helen's family invites friends to her 100th birthday celebration at 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 30, at the Tahoka Housing Authority, located at 1400 Avenue K.

Helen, affectionately known as "Nannie", or "Nannie Bookman," was born in McLennan County, Texas to Jim and Catherine Smith on December 1, 1919. She was the only girl in a family of five children, with four older brothers.

In the Spring of 1946, Helen moved to West Texas (Tahoka). Shortly after, she began working for Dr. K.R. Durham, a local dentist in Tahoka, and continued that employment for 50 years.

Over the years, Helen has made many friends, and has been a positive role model and mentor to many, as well as a vital part, and pillar, of the community.

Helen was a member of Wesley Chapel C.M.E. Church and served faithfully for many years in several capacities in the church, the District, and the Annual Conference of the Northwest Texas Region. She traveled extensively across the states to attend church conferences such as the Lay Council, and Missionary Meetings. In 1967, she traveled to Oakland, California by Santa Fe train to attend the Lay Council.



The cost for her round trip ticket was only \$117.75.

When Helen reached her 95th birthday, she became concerned that her driver's license would not be renewed. However, when she went to the Driver's License Office for renewal, her driver's license was renewed.

Helen is the Matriarch of the Nance Family, and is the mother of the late Rev. Andrew Nance, Presiding Elder of the Northwest Texas Region.

Helen has lived in Tahoka for 73 years. She has outlived her childhood friends, siblings, and son, the late Presiding Elder Andrew Nance, who passed in June 2013. Helen has three grandchildren, Rev. Jacqueline Nance Cockerham (Derrell), Rhonda Chapa (Arthur), Todd Nance (Jackie), and three great-grandsons, Kyndle Nance, Andre' Nance, and Keilyn Nance.

## Tahoka ex memorialized: Highway dedicated to DPS Trooper Jerry Don Davis

A section of U.S. Highway 84 was dedicated in honor of Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) Highway Patrol Trooper Jerry Don Davis, in ceremonies conducted in Slaton last Thursday, Nov. 21. Davis was a 1974 Tahoka High School graduate, and several members of his graduating class attended the ceremonies.

At 10:00 a.m., a ceremony took place at Slaton High School honoring fallen Highway Patrol Trooper Jerry Don Davis, who died in the line of duty on October 5, 1980. Trooper Davis was shot and killed after stopping a vehicle for a traffic violation. The suspect was apprehended, convicted, and sentenced to life in prison. Trooper Davis had been with the agency for just under two years and was stationed at Slaton. He was survived by his parents, Joyce and Jesse Denver Davis, both of whom are now deceased.

After graduating from Tahoka High School in 1974, Jerry joined the Texas Tech Police Department, according to the Department of Public Safety. He then served as a patrolman for the Abernathy Police Department, a deputy sheriff with the Swisher County Sheriff's Department at Tulia, a patrolman with the Slaton Police Department and, at the time of his death, as a highway patrolman for the Department

of Public Safety.

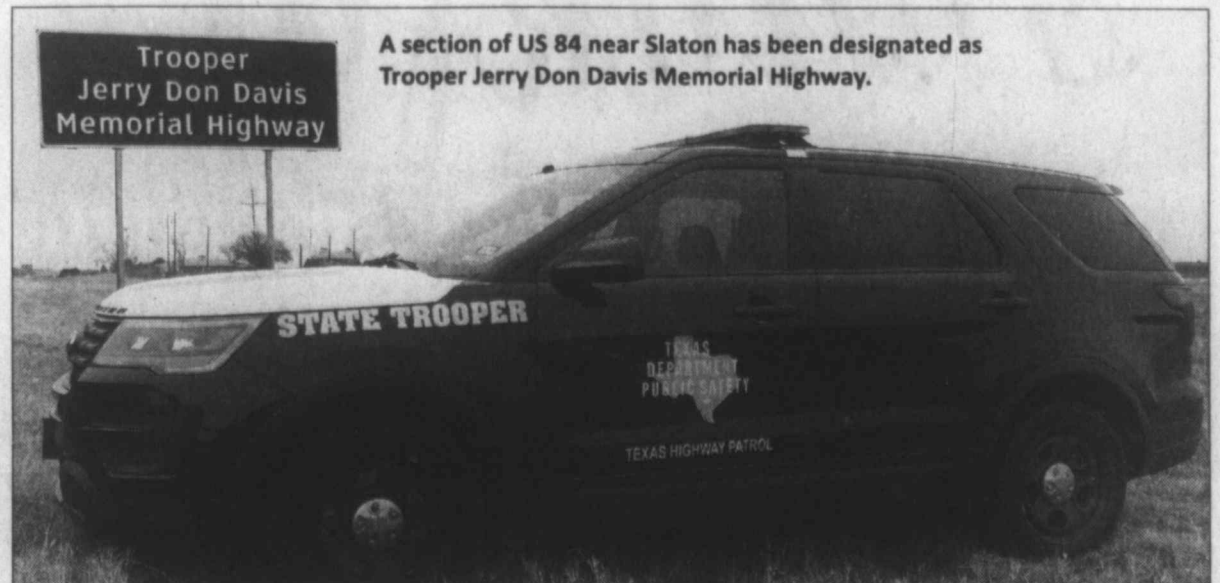
Trooper Davis had pulled over a man named Billy Wayne Alexander Jr., on that fateful October night. He actually knew the man, as both had attended Tahoka High School. Alexander's car was reported stolen, court documents show. The trooper had placed Alexander in the patrol car and then went back to Alexander's car. A couple of minutes after Jerry returned to the patrol car, Alexander shot him in the face.

Alexander was convicted of capital murder and sentenced to life

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JERRY DON DAVIS



Words of Inspiration:

“ If you are really thankful, what do you do? ”  
You share. -- W. Clement Stone



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**Obituaries**



**Erialinda (Linda) Banda Benavidez**

Erialinda (Linda) Banda Benavidez passed away from a lengthy illness and was received into heaven on November 24, 2019. She was born January 29, 1957 in Lamesa. She was preceded in death by her parents Patricio and Librada Banda, two brothers, Ray Banda and Robert Banda, one grandson, Nathan Benavidez and several nephews.

Linda made her life in O'Donnell until 1980 when she moved to Tahoka, she later returned to her childhood home of O'Donnell in 2010. She worked seasonal jobs and was a CNA for ten years at the Slaton Nursing Home. She enjoyed quilting, cooking and doing yard work. She was a well-known person in the community and was always willing to help people. Linda was a member of a non-denominational Pentecostal church for the past six years where Jose and Irene Martinez are pastors in Welch. Her fondest memories were spending time with her two grandsons, Thomas and Nicolas Benavidez of Fluvanna.

She is survived by two sons, Fernando Benavidez and wife Cherry of Fluvanna, and Gabriel Benavidez of Tahoka; grandsons, Thomas and Nicolas Benavides of Fluvanna; three sisters, Lisa Rhoderick and husband Kody Rhoderick, of Silverton, Elva Maldonado of Lubbock, and Erminia Honesto of Draw, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held at 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 26, 2019 with the family receiving friends 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Combest Family Funeral Homes in Tahoka. Services are scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, November 27, 2019 at Combest Family Funeral Homes, Tahoka with interment to follow at O'Donnell Cemetery. (PAID)



**Audrey Parker**

Muriel Audrey Parker of Tahoka passed away on Friday, November 22, 2019 at the age of 86. She was born May 30, 1933 in Cabool, Missouri to Lemuel Chester and Frances Alice (Thomas) Roberts. Audrey had a variety of jobs throughout her life. She was a wing-walker and window model during the war, milk-route driver, seamstress for notable companies such as Lee, Key and Nelly Don, a successful insurance agent

**WISD Trustee Walker dies**

Wilson Independent School District School Board member Les Walker of Wilson passed away Sunday afternoon.

"Les Walker was a champion for the students and teachers at Wilson. Mr. Walker was instrumental in helping develop the Early College High School at Wilson and also in passing the recent School Bond. His influence was far reaching into the school and town," said WISD Superintendent Jerry Burger.

"Les Walker will be missed by everyone at Wilson ISD," added Burger.

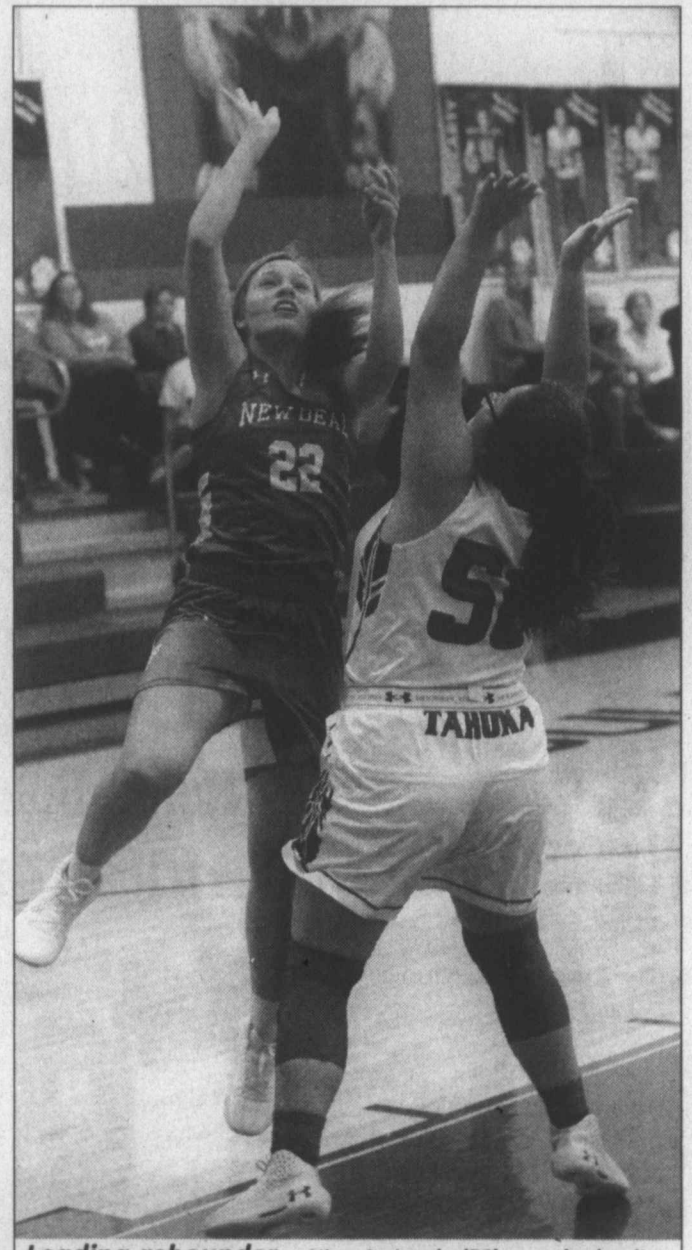
No obituary information was made available to The Lynn County News.

and worked for the Nevada State Hospital. Her hobbies included traveling, dancing, singing and fishing. She also enjoyed playing Bingo and collecting dolls.

Those left to cherish her memory are her children, Logan Harrison and Frances Truehart of Tahoka; brother, Lemuel Chester "Buddy" Roberts, Jr. of Warsaw, Missouri; four grandchildren, Darya Collins, Bryan Bennett, Jamie Pike, and Sara Bogart; and eight great-grandchildren.

Audrey was preceded in death by her parents; daughter, Mary Bennett; two siblings, Chestine, Brown and Allen Roberts; and granddaughter, Terra Alvarez.

Private services will be held at a later date. (PAID)



**Leading rebounder ...** Nina Arriazola (50) was the leading rebounder for the Tahoka Lady Bulldogs in the Spur Queen of the Court Tournament last weekend. This photo was taken earlier this season, when Tahoka hosted New Deal. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

**One more candidate files for re-election to county office**

One candidate filed during the past week seeking re-election for her office in Lynn County. Lynn County Tax Assessor-Collector Donna Willis has filed by petition with Republican Party County Chairman John Baker for a place on the Republican Primary ballot.

During the previous week, Commissioner Matt Woodley filed for re-election as Precinct 3 County Commissioner, also on the Republican party ticket.

The filing period continues through Dec. 9 for candidates interested in filing for elected county positions that will be in the March 3 Republican and Democratic Primary elections.

There are five county positions that are up for election, as well as the District Attorney seat for the 106th Judicial District, which includes Lynn, Garza, Dawson and Gaines counties. Local offices up for election include the County Sheriff, County Attorney, County Tax Assessor-Collector, and Pct. 1 and Pct. 3 County Commissioners. All are four-year terms that will begin Jan. 1, 2021.

Candidates must file with the local Party Chairman.

In Lynn County, the Republican Chair is John Baker, and he may be reached at 806-789-1257. However, there is no local Party Chairman for the Democratic party. Since Lynn County does not have a Democratic Chair, candidates must file with the State Democratic Chair.

Before filing with the Party Chairs, a candidate must fill out an Appointment of Campaign Treasurer with the Lynn County Clerk. One cannot announce before this form is filled out and filed at the County Clerk's Office, according to information from County Clerk Susan Tipton, who is also the Election Administrator for Lynn County.

A candidate may pay a filing fee of \$750 or submit a petition in lieu of the filing fee, to the Party Chair.

Early voting for primary elections is Feb. 18-28. The Republican and Democratic Primary elections will be held March 3, 2020, with the winners from the primaries having a place on the ballot in the November 2020 General Election.

**Senior Citizens LUNCH MENU**

December 2-6

- Monday:** Beef soft taco, Spanish rice, broccoli, corn, mandarin oranges
- Tuesday:** Salisbury steak, diced potatoes, English peas, fruit salad
- Wednesday:** Chicken spaghetti, carrots, zucchini, bananas/vanilla pudding
- Thursday:** Ham & Beans, cornbread, spinach, corn, country apple crisp
- Friday:** Shepherd's pie, stewed okra & tomatoes, coleslaw, butterscotch pudding

**New Home LUNCH MENU**

December 2-6 Breakfast

- Monday:** No School
  - Tuesday:** Pancakes/Muffin
  - Wednesday:** Breakfast Burrito/PBJ
  - Thursday:** Power breakfast/Cereal
  - Friday:** Sausage Kolache/Cereal Bar
- Lunch**
- Monday:** No School
  - Tuesday:** Breaded drumstick biscuit/Hot Dog
  - Wednesday:** Ravioli/Chicken nuggets
  - Thursday:** Burgers/Pizza
  - Friday:** Chicken parmesan/Pulled pork sliders
- Salad of the week: Caribbean Salad

*Thankful & Grateful*

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**Be Thankful**

Be thankful that you don't already have everything you desire ... if you did, what would there be to look forward to? Be thankful when you don't know something ... for it gives you the opportunity to learn. Be thankful for the difficult times ... during those times you grow. Be thankful for your limitations ... they give you opportunities for improvement. Be thankful for each new challenge... which will build your strength and character. Be thankful for your mistakes ... they will teach you valuable lessons. Be thankful when you're tired and weary ... because it means you've given your all. It's easy to be thankful for the 'good' things ... yet, a life of rich fulfillment comes to those who are thankful for the setbacks. Gratitude can turn a negative into a positive ... find a way to be thankful for your troubles and they can become your blessings. *Author Unknown*



# THE SAGA OF EASTER TURKEY, A FIERCE WARRIOR OF LYNN COUNTY

By Jackie Alexander Glover

On the Saturday a week before Easter in 1951 my Aunt Vera Allen coaxed me into Rutherford's Department Store by agreeing I could have my feet x-rayed while shopping for new shoes. She didn't think the x-ray was necessary because I was trying on sandals. I argued that x-rays must be good for me because Dr. Prohl had once x-rayed my chest.

"You could teach Calloway Huffaker a thing or two about arguing a case," she sighed. I didn't know what she meant but it sounded as if I was capable of doing something important.

Jessie Jewel Stevens measured my foot on a clunky metal contraption then fitted me in a pair of white leather sandals with shiny gold buckles. I stepped onto the x-ray machine, positioned my feet in the covered slot and stretched to view my ghostly bones nestled in the outline of leather straps. "They fit me," I declared. Aunt Vera shook her head and rolled her eyes.

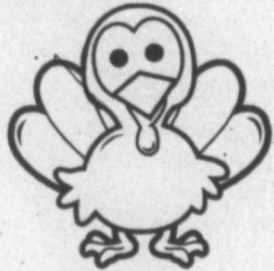
We followed Jessie Jewel to the counter where she sent Aunt Vera's check whooshing up the vacuum tube to the mezzanine. I stood near the tube until our receipt returned. I watched the process with intense interest because I planned to someday work on the mezzanine, after I married Roy Rogers and got my own horse.

Jessie Jewel placed my old shoes in the new box, quickly wrapped it in brown paper and string then pierced my heart with a question.

"Are you marching in the Pet Parade today, Jackie Lou?"

"No," I whispered, "my pets didn't want to ride to town in the car."

None of my pets were pets in the usual sense.



The dogs liked me well enough but would knock me into the dirt if they smelled candy in my pocket. The cats were fond of running behind me as I rode my stick horse but they didn't want to be pet-

ted. Ever.

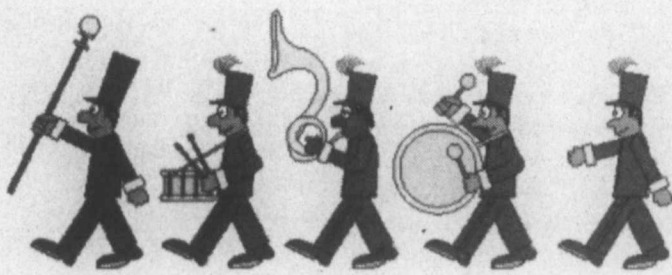
My heart lurched with unexpected joy as Aunt Vera smiled and took my hand in hers. "How about if we drive over to the hatchery and get you a baby chick to carry in the parade?"

"We're all sold out of chicks for today," the hatchery man said a few minutes later. "We do have a few day-old turkeys. Would a turkey fill the bill? Turkey hen will cost you ten cents."

I handed him the dime I had planned to spend in Bennett's Variety Store. He went through a door and returned with a baby turkey. I felt suddenly shy, finding myself involved in a genuine business transaction.

"I'd best put it in a paper bag," he said, "because the less it's handled, the better."

Aunt Vera raised her eyebrows but didn't say a word as we returned to the car. I opened the bag and we gazed



at the strange little bird. "It's so ugly it's cute," she observed. She rummaged in her purse and discovered a bit of purple crochet thread which she tied in a bow around the turkey's neck. "That's more festive," she said. Aunt Vera liked things to look as nice as possible.

The parade was scheduled on a route from in front of the First Baptist Church, south across the Brownfield Highway, east at the Post Office, then south along the business block. Vera let me out of the car in front of Mrs. Pennington's house, promising to meet me at the end of the route. In a few minutes I and my pet turkey were registered and placed in line behind several bewildered first grade kids, in front of a mob of shoving third graders.

The Baptist preacher stood on the sidewalk and seemed to be praying but I couldn't hear him because the ladder truck at the fire station across the street roared to life then lumbered through the intersection. Its mournful siren cued the high school

band waiting on the highway to step out to a brisk drum cadence. Finally, the rest of us lurched forward like nervous stragglers headed for Noah's Ark. A bored-looking Deputy Sheriff stopped traffic until the last kid and pet crossed the highway.

My new sandals slipped on the brick street as if I was roller skating. Many of the kids teetered along on tricycles and bicycles, their various pets perched in baskets or cages. Dogs of every size barked and pulled on their leashes. A fat burro dragged an older girl into the band's rear ranks.

Doug McClellan was pushing a tall bike, which he said he couldn't ride because his legs weren't long enough. Midget, his brown and tan Chihuahua, was tied securely in the bike basket. Doug was very proud of Midget because she was his birthday gift. I thought she resembled a shiv-

ering rat but I didn't want to hurt his feelings.

Stanley Krause rode Pal, his Shetland pony, beside the marchers. Stanley had once told me he and Pal earned a hundred dollars in rodeos every Saturday but I didn't know if that was true. I did know that on some afternoons when Stanley attempted to exit the school bus, Pal would stick his big head inside the door and refuse to budge.

As we made the turn in front of the Post Office, a loud-mouthed fourth grader with a grass snake draped around his neck grabbed the paper bag containing my turkey.

"Whatcha' got in here, girlie, candy?"

"Stop!" I yelled, "Give it back!"

He turned the bag upside down, dumping my turkey into his grubby paw. I grabbed the little bird before he and his snake realized his hand was not filled with candy. I froze in place, aghast at how quickly a possible disaster had swooped into my perfect world.

"Move along," a parade monitor yelled, "move, little girl!"

I shuffled along beside Doug's bicycle, hoping the baby turkey would somehow survive being carried in my sweaty hands. Its little head swayed atop a slender neck as the purple bow fluttered in the breeze.

People were crowded in the shade in front of Rutherford's and across the intersection at Wynne Collier's Rexall. I had never been looked at by so many eyes.

"There's Jackie Lou," I heard someone say. Jessie Jewel was standing on the curb, waving. "Show me your sweet little chick."

I held the turkey as high as I could, so Jessie Jewel could see it. My heart swelled with pride. I could hardly believe I was finally old enough to be marching alone in a parade, wearing new sandals and showing off my own turkey.

Just then, Pal bucked Stanley into the air then galloped across the bricks, heading for the Lynn County Courthouse lawn. Stanley stood up, ignoring a parade monitor's concern that he might be injured. He brushed off his chaps then pushed his way through the chattering kids to walk between me and Doug. He attempted to pat Midget's head but the grouchy little dog bit his hand. I decided my turkey was a better pet than Pal or Midget.

I saw Aunt Vera on the sidewalk drinking an RC Cola from the bottle. Suddenly, I was overcome with fatigue, thirst, aching feet and the realization that my baby turkey might be dying.

The parade fell apart at the next intersection as kids ran to meet their parents,

dogs yapped and car horns honked. Someone from the Lynn County News took photographs. Stanley and his dad began chasing Pal around the courthouse. The sights and sounds were suddenly too much for me to sort out. I felt as if I was going to cry.

Vera put the baby turkey in the shoe box from Rutherford's, saying it might perk up on the drive home. Sure enough, by the time we reached our farm in the Dixie Community, the turkey was looking around with big, bright eyes.

Vera asked what I was going to name it and I said, of course, "Easter Turkey." Vera nodded without comment. Kids in our family traditionally favored odd pet names.

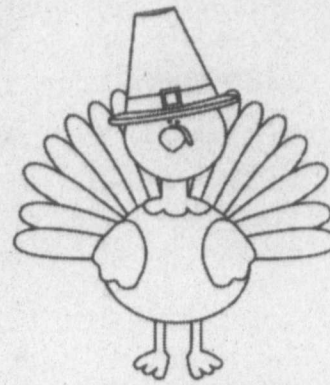
Aunt Vera put small amounts of water and brooder mash into Mason jar lids and set them on the floor.

Easter pecked at the shiny lids and discovered she could eat and drink. After a while, she made it clear she would follow my feet every step I took, pecking constantly at the bright buckles on my sandals. I thought it was great fun but Aunt Vera said she had never seen or heard of such a thing.

Uncle Omer, ready for supper, pushed open the back door and, as usual, tossed his straw hat across the kitchen floor. The little turkey squeaked and lunged at the hat, wings spread, beak open wide. Uncle Omer, who hadn't suspected there was a bird of any kind in the kitchen, stood and gawked as his hat fell victim to a fowl attack.

"Well, pshaw," he finally said.

Easter grew rapidly. She loved me totally but she hated




Uncle Omer with equal passion every day of her life. Eventually, she grew large enough to join the chickens in their yard and hen house. She became their guardian, sometimes killing lizards and snakes, sharing their lifeless bodies with the flock. She eventually lost interest in me, which was a relief because she sometimes drew blood when she pecked my shoe buckles. She continued attacking my uncle each time he entered the chicken yard, even when he left his hat outside the gate.

A few days before Thanksgiving, Uncle Omer reminded me of how farm kids shouldn't grow attached to farm animals. Farm animals were food for the family, he said, and we would be eating Easter Turkey for Thanksgiving dinner. He promised I wouldn't have to eat a bite but I had to promise in return that I wouldn't make a scene at the table. We shook on the deal and that's exactly what happened on Thanksgiving Day.

I thought often about Easter Turkey, a ten-cent baby who taught me truths I couldn't ignore. I grew to understand that if a tiny, day-old, feathered creature knew its mind and purpose, a third-grade girl like me should be able to do the same.

She had also taught Uncle Omer to never throw a straw hat at a baby turkey but we never discussed that.




## THANKSGIVING

*For all the blessings of the past year and for all the possibilities that the future holds. We are especially thankful for all of our customers and friends that make this community so special!*


*Happy Thanksgiving*

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Where in the world is **The Lynn County News ? at OU**



**University of Oklahoma ...** The Allen's traveled from Tahoka to Norman, Okla. for Pride Parent Weekend on Nov. 8th. Pictured from left are Julia, Axie, Sterling, and Mike Allen. This is Sterling's senior year and last year to march with the OU Pride.

**Lynn County Area Gins BALE COUNT**

(reported 11-25-19)

Texas Star Coop Gin.....	46,163
New Home Coop, Lakeview ..	28,783
Wells Coop Gin .....	23,166
Farmers Coop, O'Donnell .....	21,539
Farmers Coop #1, Tahoka .....	16,402
Woolam Gin, O'Donnell .....	10,351
Garlyn Gin .....	6,960
<b>TOTAL BALES .....</b>	<b>153,364</b>

*Did you know?*

- Chewing gum is banned in Singapore.
- Did you know one of the largest pyramids in the world is a Bass Pro Shops in Memphis, Tennessee? If you're not able to travel all the way to Egypt to see the great pyramids in Giza, then you might want to plan a trip to Memphis, Tennessee, to see the local Bass Pro Shops Megastore. At 321-feet tall with a 535,000-square-foot interior, it's one of the largest pyramids in the world and features a hotel, an indoor swamp, an aquarium, a bowling alley, and the world's tallest freestanding elevator which can take you to an observation deck.
- There are 118 ridges on the side of a dime. There are also 119 ridges (which are called reeded edges) on the side of a quarter, 150 on the side of a half dollar, 198 on a dollar, and 133 on a Susan B. Anthony dollar.

**Thank A Farmer This Thanksgiving**

**An Editorial by Texas Agriculture Commissioner Sid Miller**

Howdy neighbors! In just a few short days, it will be time to gather for a day of feasting with friends and family. Your plate will probably be piled high with turkey and mashed potatoes, with just enough space left over for Grandma's homemade pumpkin pie.

All across Texas, families will come together to give thanks and reflect on this year's blessings. Those might include a good health, a new job, or a new baby.

This Thanksgiving, I'd like you to add one more thanks to your list. Please remember to add a well-deserved thank you for every hardworking Texas farmer and rancher who provides for the nourishment of our bodies not just on Thanksgiving, but all year long.

Each day, starting before dawn and finishing long after dark, American farmers and ranchers are putting in countless hours to supply our nation - and the world - with food and fiber.

You might have thought you loaded up your plate with too much turkey, but did you know that American turkey farmers provided over 4 billion pounds of turkey meat last year? With the average turkey weighing in at 30 pounds, turkey farmers raised enough turkeys for each person in the United States to enjoy a whole bird... without having to share. Additionally, in 2018, farmers in the top five pumpkin-producing States harvested just over 1 billion pounds of pumpkins. How many of Grandma's pumpkin pies would that make?

So as you're recovering from your post-turkey nap, or making your list for Black Friday, I'd like you to think of that rancher who just finished feeding his last pen of cows, or that farmer who has closed the door to his tractor after a long day in the fields, and the family who can't wait to see them before the sun comes up and the work starts all over again.

This Thanksgiving remember to raise your fork

for the farmers and ranchers who help produce that food on our table, clothes on our back and work tirelessly from sunrise to sunset to keep our agriculture industry alive.

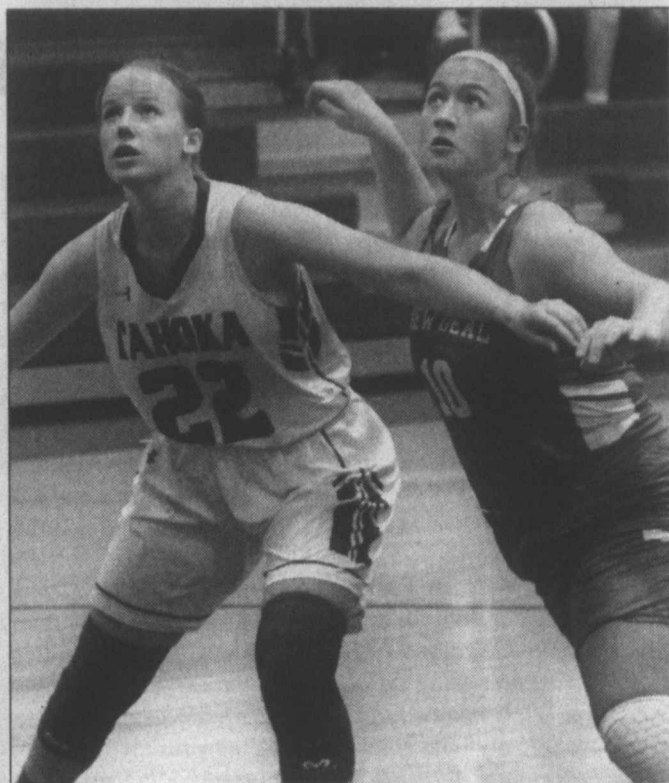
As I always say, there will be times you'll need a good doctor, and probably occasionally a good lawyer at some point in your life.

Yet every day, three times a day, you're gonna need a farmer. That is why Texas agriculture matters.

May God continue to bless all our farmers and ranchers across Texas and the nation. Have a happy Thanksgiving and a peaceful and joyous holiday season!

*Did you know?*

- Hunting unicorns is legal in Michigan. Lake Superior State University in Michigan offers a unicorn hunting license.
- Except for a few species of bats, New Zealand has no native mammals.



**Defense ...** Nataly Taylor, #22 for the Tahoka Lady Bulldogs, blocks out a New Deal player in action here earlier this season. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

**Tahoka Lady Bulldog basketball underway**

The Tahoka High School Varsity Girls Basketball team competed in the Spur Queen of the Court Tournament last weekend, Thursday Nov. 21 - Saturday Nov. 23. Results are as follows:

Thursday, Nov. 21st: LBK Roosevelt 61 - Tahoka 34; Hale Center 66 - Tahoka 40

Friday, Nov. 22nd: Spur 71 - Tahoka 29

Saturday, Nov. 23rd: New Deal 64 - Tahoka 13; Slaton 68 - Tahoka 11

Overall Stats from Tournament: Leading Scoring - Marisol Vega (Sr.) 32 pts.; Additional Notable Scorer - Ry'Lee Vega (Jr.) 21 pts.; Leading Assists - Nadalie Carrasco (Sr.) 11 asts.; and Leading Rebound - Nina

Arriazola (Sr.)/Madison Rose (So.)

"I would like to say that even though the scoreboard doesn't show it at the end of the day, these girls fought their guts out each and every game during this tournament. They were faced with an uphill battle, had to deal with some unfortunate injuries and circumstances, but they never quit and fought to the very end. This team is changing a culture, and is laying the foundation for success in the very near future," said Head Coach Jared Alderson.

The girls were to play at Lubbock Roosevelt on Monday, Nov. 25th, and then break for the Thanksgiving holidays.

*Did you know? ... about Thanksgiving*

- Abraham Lincoln proclaimed Thanksgiving a national holiday on October 3, 1863. Sarah Joseph Hale, the woman who wrote "Mary Had A Little Lamb," convinced Lincoln to make Thanksgiving a national holiday after writing letters for 17 years.
- The history of U.S. presidents pardoning turkeys is patchy. Harry Truman is often credited with being the first president to pardon a turkey, but that's not quite true. He was the first to receive a ceremonial turkey from the National Turkey Federation - and he had it for dinner. John F. Kennedy was the first to let a Thanksgiving turkey go, followed by Richard Nixon who sent his turkey to a petting zoo. George H.W. Bush is the president who formalized the turkey pardoning tradition in 1989.
- There are four towns in the United States named "Turkey." They can be found in Arizona, Texas, Louisiana, and North Carolina.
- The average number of calories consumed on Thanksgiving is 4,500.
- Butterball answers more than 100,000 turkey-cooking questions via their Butterball Turkey Hotline each November and December.
- The tradition of football on Thanksgiving began in 1876 with a game between Yale and Princeton. The first NFL games were played on Thanksgiving in 1920.
- More than 54 million Americans are expected to travel during the Thanksgiving holiday this year. That's up 4.8% from last year.

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**The Sacrifice of Thanksgiving**  
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Psalm 50:14-15

The Israelites in the Old Testament had a complicated list of rituals and sacrifices to follow. Among the five special offerings, one was the peace offering, or the sacrifice of thanksgiving. When Jesus came, the old requirements were replaced by the new so that our worship could be an expression of our hearts directly through our lips.

It's not always easy to be thankful. In times of great difficulty when everything in the natural screams, "I don't like this!" gratitude comes at great sacrifice. It is denial of the natural response, dying to one's own preference, and in submission saying, "God, your way is best and I thank you." Having a grateful heart gives us the privilege of calling on God in our day of trouble and the assurance of his deliverance. Can you offer God your sacrifice of praise today?

*Lord, today I want to say thanks for being my God and for the grace you show me each day. As I call out to you, I know you will be my deliverer and get all the glory in the process!*

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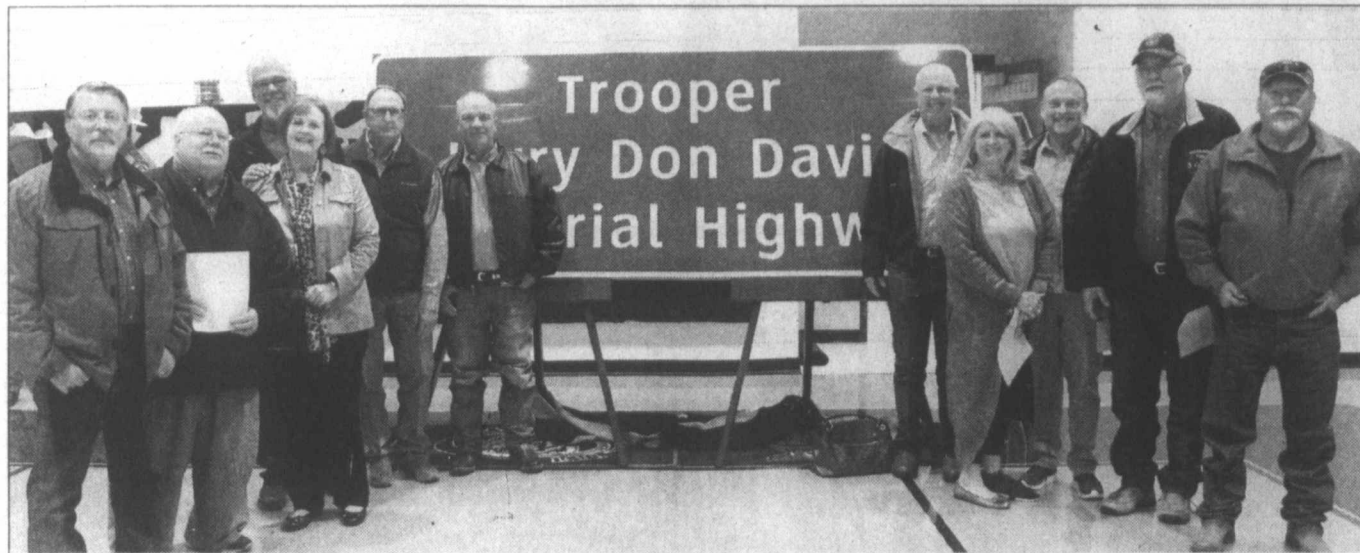
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**Classmates of Jerry D. Davis...** Tahoka Class of 1974 classmates attended the Jerry Don Davis memorial highway dedication program held in Slaton last Thursday. Pictured at left are Jerry Reno, Kent Elliott, Becky Parsons, Billy Knox, Steve Miller and Wesley Boone. Pictured at right are Keith Williams, Rodger Potts, Donna Raindl, Haney Wells and Walt Hagood.

## Highway dedicated ...

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in prison in 1981. Texas Senate Bill 575 was signed by both the Texas Senate and the House of Representatives on May 25, 2019, and signed by Governor Greg Abbott on June 6, 2019, granting the memorial designation "Trooper Jerry Don Davis Memorial Highway" on the section of US 84 where the murder occurred, on the east and west city limits of Slaton, in Lubbock County.

Guest speakers at the dedication ceremony included District 28 Texas State Senator Charles Perry, Texas DPS Director Steven McCraw, Retired Lieutenant Colonel David Baker, and Retired Major Danny Smith. Attending the ceremony were members of Trooper Davis's family and close friends, District 83 Texas House Representative Dustin Burrows, representatives from the Texas Department of Public Safety, Texas Department of Transportation, local officials and members of the student body from Slaton

High School.

In 2012, a DPS patrol boat was also named in his honor. The J.D. Davis, a Department of Public Safety drug patrol vessel named after the slain trooper, took its maiden voyage in February 2012 to capture criminals on the waters of the Rio Grande.

Barbara Fowler, former Slaton Police Chief, was instrumental in working with Sen. Perry and Rep. Burrows to get the highway designation in Davis' honor. She told *The News*, "Jerry Don Davis was one of the most compassionate people in law enforcement that I knew. He knew early in his life that he wanted to serve in law enforcement, and he was an outstanding law officer. In Slaton for several years, we honored Trooper Davis by presenting the J.D. Davis Award annually to outstanding law officers."

She was pleased with the Hwy. 84 designation, saying, "I can't think of a better way to honor this fallen hero. He loved to serve. This dedication is something positive that was done in his honor."

## Two county precincts to get road materials

Lynn County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, November 25, at 9:30 a.m. in the Lynn County Courthouse in the County Courtroom. Commissioners Matt Woodley, John Hawthorne, Don Blair and Larry Durham were present with County Judge Mike Braddock presiding.

Commissioners voted unanimously to accept road material from the State Highway Department under HB1 and Rider 19 for FY 2020 for Commissioner Precincts 2 and 4. The material will be used for road repairs.

Regular Court days in 2020 were amended by adding August 31, September 6, and September 20, as regular Commissioners Court days.

District Clerk Sandra Laws presented the court with the Annual Road Reports approved by the Grand Jury, which commissioners approved as presented.

Sheriff Abraham Vega

presented a report on his department, noting that head jailer Jon Luna has announced his resignation from that position.

Monthly bills were approved.

Judge Braddock informed commissioners that he will interview a possible candidate for Lynn County Ag Agent, to fill the vacancy here.

The meeting adjourned at 10:02 a.m.

### Did you know?

- The first item sold on E-Bay was a broken laser pointer.
- The largest living structure on Earth is the Great Barrier Reef. A system of about 3,000 individual reefs and 900 coral islands, divided by narrow passages, this living system is the largest in the world. Spanning 1,243 miles and covering an area of 135,136 square miles, it is the only living structure on Earth that you can see from space.



**Lady Bulldogs in action ...** Tahoka Lady Bulldogs April Pina (20) and Marisol Vega (1) are in action in the second game of the season, when Tahoka hosted New Deal on Nov. 19. The Lady Bulldogs played in the Spur tournament last weekend. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

### Did you know?

- Did you know cheesemakers are studying if music can change the taste of cheese? Beat Wampfler, a Swiss cheesemaker, plays songs from bands like Led Zeppelin and A Tribe Called Quest during his cheese-producing process and, with the help of students from the University of the Arts in Bern, he's studying to see if and how music can change the flavor of his Emmental cheese.
- The hottest spot in the World is in California. Though for years El Aziza, Libya was reputed as the hottest place in the world, with recorded temperatures of 136 degrees Fahrenheit in 1922, those measurements have since been invalidated by scientists. Due to its disqualification, the honor went to Death Valley, CA, which recorded temperatures of 134 degrees Fahrenheit in July 1913.
- Earth gets very, very cold. It may not surprise you that Antarctica is the coldest place on the planet, but what might surprise you is just how cold it gets there—temperatures on the East Antarctic Plateau have been found to dip to minus-133.6 degrees Fahrenheit, drawn from data acquired by NASA and the U.S. Geological Survey.

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