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HURRY! Last day to turn in pics!



Send us your pictures of cute grandchildren for our annual Valentine Brag Pages!

DEADLINE IS FEB. 4

Cost is \$12 per space. (We will accept late photos for \$15 per space Feb. 5-8.)

EMAIL PHOTOS TO: LynnCoNews@poka.com

HOOP TIME

THIS WEEK'S BASKETBALL GAMES:
Note: There may be last-minute cancellations and changes, from these schedules.

Final Regular-Season Games:

Tahoka

5 - at Ropes, 4:00, 5:00, 6:15, 7:30
9 - at Smyer, JVB 5:00, VB 6:15
12 - Post, JVB 5:00, VB 6:15

New Home

5 - at Smyer, 4:00, 5:00, 6:30, 8:00
9 - at Post, JVB 5:00, VB 6:30
12 - Hale Center, JVB 5:00, VB 6:30

O'Donnell

5 - at Wilson, bGB 5:00
9 - at Lorenzo, B 6:00

Wilson

5 - O'Donnell, JVB VG VB, 5:00
9 - Petersburg, JVB VB, 5:00

COVID UPDATE:

FEB. 1 SPPHD UPDATE:

The South Plains Public Health District provided the following information of COVID-19 cases:

Lynn County total cases: 597
(3 new cases confirmed)
12 Active - 578 Recovered - 7 Deaths

WHAT'S OUTSIDE

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Jan 26	54	28	
Jan 27	52	28	
Jan 28	53	28	
Jan 29	61	32	
Jan 30	64	35	
Jan 31	59	31	
Feb 1	63	30	

(Precipitation/temps measured as of 7 a.m. on date reported, for the previous 24 hr period)
Total Precip for Jan: 1.23"
Total Precip. for 2021: 1.23"



House fire in Wilson ... Wilson Volunteer Fire Dept. responded to an alarm just after 11 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 2, at the home of Yolanda Trevino, in the 1300 block of Green Street. Firemen reportedly found the home fully engulfed in flames when they arrived, and despite the fast response the home appeared to be completely destroyed. No report was available as to how the fire may have started. About 2 p.m. firemen were recalled to the scene when the smoldering debris reportedly reignited. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

Minor accident, few arrests in officer reports during week

by JUANELL JONES

Lynn County Sheriff's Office had numerous calls reporting reckless drivers and control burns, welfare concerns, a theft and one accident, in call sheet reports for last week.

Borden County deputies reported that there was a minor two-vehicle accident just inside Lynn County on FM 1054 at 3:10 p.m. Jan. 26. There were no injuries reported, and no driver information was available.

A man walking from Lubbock to O'Donnell called the LCSO for help, which he received, but it ended in an arrest due to outstanding warrants. The man called at 2:17 a.m. Jan. 26, saying that his vehicle had left him stranded and he had been walking all day from the Lubbock bus stop and was between FM 211 and the Lubbock/Lynn County line, and was trying to get to a relative's home in O'Donnell. A deputy located the man walking about a half mile north of CR 1 on US 87, but was concerned about the man's health and called Lynn County EMS, which transported him to Lynn County Hospital for

treatment. Afterwards, he was arrested on the outstanding warrants and transported to jail.

A caller on Jan. 26 reported some diesel stolen out of a cotton stripper at a barn located on CR 19, and a brush fire was reported on FM 212 between FM 2282 and CR 18 on Friday evening about 6:45 p.m. Tahoka Volunteer Fire Dept. was paged to the scene, and reported there had been several small fires on the side of the road but all had already been put out.

A 35-year-old Brownfield woman was arrested on charges of Driving While Intoxicated after Tahoka Police stopped her in the 2200 block of Lockwood at 11 p.m. Jan. 29. A caller had reported the vehicle driving erratically traveling eastbound on US 380 towards Tahoka. After stopping the vehicle, the officer conducted a field sobriety test on the driver.

Lynn County Hospital notified Tahoka Police that a woman was being treated for a dog bite, at 4 p.m. Jan. 31. The woman had reportedly been bitten on the ankle by a small dog, possibly a Chihuahua, in the 2000 block of N. 2nd.

Police and Animal Control took the report and searched for the dog.

Police assisted LCSO in stopping a vehicle that a caller reported was driving erratically on US 87 southbound near O'Donnell, and said that someone inside the vehicle had flashed a gun at them as they were passing in another vehicle, around 3 p.m. on Jan. 27. Officers stopped both vehicles, and a search revealed no firearm. Both vehicles were released.

Police responded to other calls during the week, including an argument between neighbors, a civil standby, and assisting with a funeral escort.

Six more file for local elections

Six more candidates filed during the past week for local elections, with a full slate of candidates now filing for the City of Tahoka, Tahoka ISD, and City of O'Donnell elections, and new filings for City of New Home and LCHD.

The filing period for city, school and hospital board elections in Lynn County continues through Feb. 12, for the May 1 elections.

Following is a complete list of terms expiring in the upcoming May 1 elections. Candidates filing are listed in *italics*.

Lynn County Hospital District: Three directors, 3-year terms. Terms expiring: Dr. Ed Smith, Connie Donald, Jana Bishop. Filing: Dr. Edward Smith, Jana Bishop.

City of Tahoka: Mayor and two Council members. Terms expiring: Mayor John Baker; Dist. 1: Courtney Stennett; Dist. 3: Shiloh Braddock. Filing: Shiloh Braddock, Dist. 3; Courtney Stennett, Dist. 1; John Baker for Mayor.

Tahoka ISD: Two trustees, both At-Large. Terms expiring: Clay Taylor, Lea Swinford. Filing: Clay Taylor, Lea Swinford.

City of Wilson: Three council seats. Terms expiring: Pat Cates, Fred Hendricks, Helen Stephenson. Filing: Pat Cates, Fred Hendricks.

Wilson ISD: Two trustees. Terms expiring: Michael Villarreal, Craig Wilke.

City of New Home: Mayor and one council seat. Terms expiring: Mayor Jim Olson; Brady Gass (council). Filing: Melinda Mendez Willis for Mayor.

New Home ISD: Bond Election, info to come.

City of O'Donnell: Two council seats. Terms expiring: Bruce Vaughn, Katy Mires. Filing: Bruce Vaughn, Katy Mires.

O'Donnell ISD: Two trustees. Terms expiring: Mandy Stidham, Trevor Halfmann.



Dousing the flames ... Wilson Volunteer Fire Dept. aims streams of water towards the back of the house on Green Street in Wilson Tuesday morning. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)



Take it to the net! ... New Home's #30 Reagan Fiedler gets around Tahoka defender Soul Moore for the lay in. The Leopards beat the Bulldogs 67-54 on Friday, Jan. 29. As of Monday, the Leopards are 11-2 overall and lead 2A District 6 with a perfect 5-0 record. Tahoka boys (1-4) are currently ranked fourth in the district, behind Post and Smyer. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)



DID YOU KNOW?

“

Feb. 4th is National Homemade Soup Day, so go home and make soup! Also, Saturday, Feb. 6 is National Ice Cream for Breakfast Day. Who knew? Bring on the ice cream!

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Senior Citizens LUNCH MENU

February 8-12
Monday: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, winter blend veg., apple fluff
Tuesday: Chicken fajitas, chuck wagon corn, Spanish rice, fruit cocktail
Wednesday: Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, Italian veg., broccoli, Autumn loll-o
Thursday: Oven fried chicken breasts, bow tie pasta, broccoli raisin salad, fruit cocktail
Friday: Veg. beef stew, tossed salad, orange pineapple cup, diet pumpkin custard

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Obituaries



Tony Charles Gonzales

Tony Charles Gonzales, 74 of Tahoka passed away Wednesday, January 27, 2021. He was born January 11, 1947 to Simon and Leonora (Salma) Gonzales in Eden, Texas. Tony enlisted in the United States Navy September 23, 1965 in Dallas, Texas. He received his Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with one Bronze Star, and a National Defense Service Medal while serving in the military. Tony retired Honorably from the USS Newport (CA-148) September 4, 1969. He enjoyed singing and spending time with his family. Tony was of the Catholic Faith. He will be deeply missed.

He was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers; and one sister.

Those left to cherish his memory are his children, Christine Gonzales and fiancé Stan Kane, Donna Gonzales, Tony Gonzales and wife Loretta, Donald Gonzales; eight grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 10:00 a.m. - noon at Combest Family Funeral Homes in Tahoka with a graveside service at 1:00 p.m. at Nevels Memorial Park Cemetery, Saturday, February 6, 2021.



Sherrill Green

Sherrill Annette Green, 62, of Tahoka entered into eternal life on Saturday, January 30, 2021. She was born on June 28, 1958 in Tahoka, Texas to the late Hubert and Ester (Moore) Green. Sherrill attended public school, and graduated from Tahoka High School in 1976. Her unique gift, and talent, in hair design prompted her to enroll in and graduate from Vogue Beauty College, receiving her license in Cosmetology. Sherrill had various other careers during her lifetime.

Sherrill was a loving and caring person who enjoyed being around family and friends. She loved to have fun, and was the life of any event or gathering. She was a friend to many, always offering an encouraging word, and or prayer, to anyone in need. Sherrill loved the Lord with all her heart, and was a devout Christian sharing the word of God with everyone she met. She was a faithful member of Kingdom Life Worship Center-Lubbock, Texas.

Those left to cherish her memory are two daughters, LaKendria Kendrick and Shawneeqa Kendrick both of Midland; siblings, Ethel Mae Denzy and husband Terry of Midland, and Lee Anthony Green of Tahoka; four grandchildren, Gyren and Lyric Scurllark, Mykah Jones and Breylla Graves; and two great-granddaughters, Ma'Kynlei and Ma'Kylei Potts, all of Midland, Texas; aunts, Bennie Nance of Tahoka, TX, Luberta, Anner, Valera, and Barbara (Arnold) all of Gause, TX; uncles, Rev. Roosevelt Moore, Sr. of Lubbock, TX, Booker (Shirley) Green, Israel (Marilyn) Green, and Eugene Green, and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

Private celebration of life services will be held.

Tony Martinez

Funeral services for Tony Martinez, 62, were held Friday, January 29, 2021 at 2 p.m. at First Baptist Church with Randy Wilson officiating. Burial was in Childress Cemetery under the direction of Johnson Funeral Home. Visitation was held Thursday, January 28, 2021 at Johnson Funeral Home Chapel. He passed away Tuesday, January 26, 2021 in Tahoka.

Tony was born September 11, 1958 in Wellington to Juan Martinez and Elida Sanchez Martinez. He was married to his wife, Lana, for 41 years. He worked for South Plains Electric for 31 years and retired from there in September 2020. He was very involved in his grandkids activities and was very proud of all of them. He enjoyed golfing, hunting and working cattle on the Sims Ranch in Wellington. He loved to watch rodeos and was a 4-year letterman in football at Wellington High School. He was a Skyrocket for life.

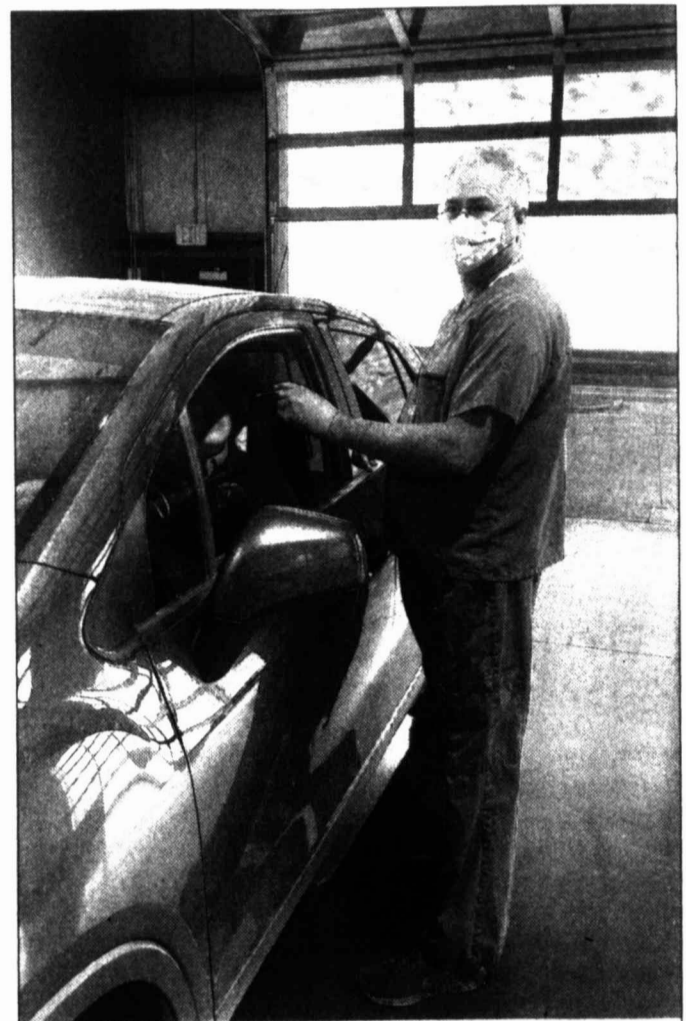
He was preceded in death by his father and an infant child.

Survivors include his wife, Lana, of Tahoka; a daughter, Lynsi Ballinger, of Lubbock; a son, Joe Clay Martinez and wife, Erika of Childress; a daughter, Lacy Rodriguez and husband, Ignacio, of Childress; grandchildren Ethan Leija, Bailey Martinez, Erick Leija and wife, Sheyenne, Erynn Leija, Jacob Rodriguez, Hayden Rodriguez, Katelyn Rodriguez and Caleb Rodriguez; a great grandson, Erick Leija, Jr.; his mother, Elida Martinez; siblings Lupe Martinez, Josie Biemer and husband, Darryl, Eva Hamby and husband, Kevin, Rickey Martinez and wife, Kelley, Juanita Ham and husband, John and Juan Martinez, Jr. and wife, Carrie; along with numerous nieces, nephews and extended family.

The family suggests memorials in his name be made to Childress We Can Care, PO Box 7, Childress, Texas, 79201.



DONATIONS
to the Lynn County Hospital District EMS are always greatly appreciated.
LCHD EMS
PO Box 1310 Tahoka, TX



Covid testing ... LCHD nurse Donald Crenshaw prepares to give a Covid-19 test at Lynn County Hospital's new Drive-Up Covid Test Clinic, located just west of the hospital in Tahoka on US 380. To schedule a test, call the LCHD Covid Hotline at 806-561-2076.

Sherry Lynn Tilley

Sherry Lynn Tilley, 78, of Tahoka passed away Thursday, January 28, 2021. She was born August 15, 1942 to Steven Adist and Rutha (Billings) Tilley in Bosque County, Texas. Sherry graduated from Wilson High School in 1959. She worked for Lyntegar Electric Cooperative for more than 50 years before retiring. Sherry loved her neighbors and her family, especially the kids. She also enjoyed watching football and baseball; she used to call the baseball games. Sherry was a member of First Baptist Church in Tahoka. She loved her small town; she loved Tahoka!

She was preceded in death by her parents, Steven and Rutha; one brother, Welton Tilley; and three sisters, Ora Lee La Fon Erlene Bolin, and Joyce Gary.

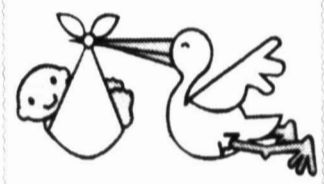
Those left to cherish her memory are her two sisters, Dorma Osben and Jean James, both of Lubbock; 12 nieces and nephews; and 30 great-nieces and nephews; and numerous extended family and friends.

Services were held Monday, February 1, 2021 at First Baptist Church in Tahoka with burial at Tahoka Cemetery.

The family would like to say a special thank you to the staff at Lynn County Hospital for their special care for Sherry.

Memorial donations can be made in Sherry's name to the Lynn County EMS or Tahoka Fire Department.

BIRTHS



June Marie Bueermann

Kody and Amy Bueermann of League City, announce the birth of their daughter, June Marie, born on Monday, January 25, 2021 at 4:06 p.m. She weighed 6 lbs. 5 oz and was 20 inches long. She has two big brothers, Will and Ty.

Grandmothers are Wayla Bueermann of Tahoka, Nancy Dillon of League City, and great-grandmothers are Jean Patton of Clovis, CA., and Trudy Dillon of Dallas.

Poka Lambro scholarships available

Poka Lambro is now accepting applications for scholarships. Students graduating from an area high school whose parents or legal guardians are customers of Poka Lambro are eligible.

Scholarship applications can be done online on the Poka Lambro website - www.poka.com. Entry deadline is March 5, 2021.

For additional information, please contact Tammy Pounds at 806-924-7234 or 800-422-2387.

HAPPY Valentine's Day
Sunday, Feb. 14
Don't forget a gift for your Valentine!
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- What are the differences between Medicare and other health care options?
- What is Original Medicare and are there other healthcare options?
- What do Medicare Parts A, B, C, and D mean?
- Is Original Medicare enough coverage for me?
- Are my prescriptions covered?
- Do I have deadlines to enroll?
- How much will it cost?

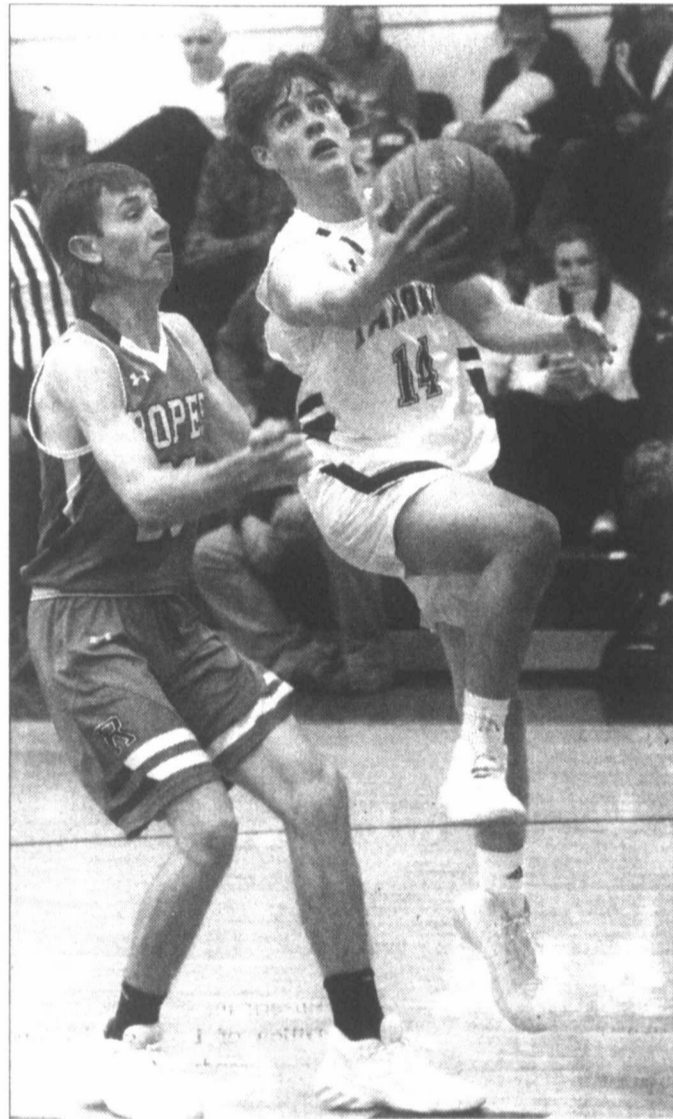
There are so many plans and options available to people turning 65 these days it can get confusing, but it doesn't have to be. I would like to have the opportunity to discuss with you the many options that are available to you during this important time so that we can make the best decisions on what will allow you to get the most benefits out of Medicare.

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Game on! ... Tahoka's Miranda Deleon (21) saves a ball from going out of bounds in action here Friday night, defending from New Home's Addie Stewart. The New Home Lady Leopards pounded Tahoka 91-32. They have a perfect 5-0 record to lead the district. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)



Going for 2 ... Cason Resendez (#14), a sophomore for the Tahoka Bulldogs, lays a ball off the glass against a strong Ropes team in Tahoka on Jan. 19. The Bulldogs won a close one, 43-42. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

LCHD trustee Sharon Isham earns healthcare trustee certification

Lynn County Hospital District trustee Sharon Isham recently earned the designation of Certified Healthcare

Trustee. Isham is serving her 10th year on the Board of Directors for LCHD, and is the first LCHD trustee ever to earn this unique certification.

Lady Bulldogs handed losses

The Tahoka High School Lady Bulldogs traveled to Post for hoop action Tuesday night, Jan. 26, with Post taking a 67-49 win.

Leading scorers for Tahoka included three with double figures: Brooklyn Harris (FR) 14 pts, Kaycee Swinford (FR) 11 pts, and Zoie Garvin (SO) 10 pts.

"We put ourselves in too big of a hole in the first half, and couldn't overcome it despite probably our best basketball all season in the second half. The girls are continuing to fight, and are going to finish the season the right way," said Coach Jared Alderson.

Last Friday, the Lady Bulldogs played New Home for the second time, with the Lady Leopards winning 91-32. Garvin was leading scorer with 12, and Brooklyn Harris added 8 for Tahoka.

The achievement proves a commitment to better serve the hospital as a trustee. The certification from the Texas Healthcare Trustees Association required completion of 24 hours of continuing education and passing a final exam regarding areas of hospital finance, hospital meetings, Open Records Act, patient satisfaction and safety, and other topics related to hospital issues.

"I want to serve not only in the best interest of the hospital, but for the citizens of the county as well," said Isham.

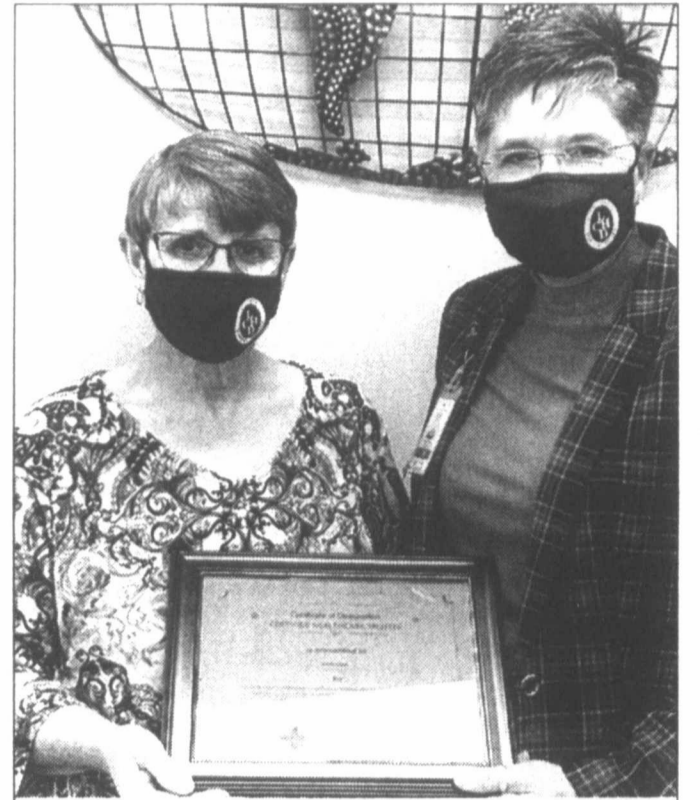
Genealogical Society offers virtual sessions

The South Plains Genealogical Society is continuing to meet virtually. The next meeting is Saturday, February 13th from 10 a.m.-12 noon. The discussion will be on "DNA - Introduction to Your Test Results" followed by a question and answer session.

"Please do not let 'meet virtually' discourage you - contact us at spgnews@gmail.com today and we will teach you how to join our meeting from the comfort and safety of your home. You can also find information on our website: <https://spgstx.org>," said a sponsor.

Did you know?

- The first tiger shark to hatch inside of its mother's womb eats all the other embryos of its siblings. Even scientists admit that this is an unusual mode of survival.
- The Kola Superdeep Borehole in Russia is the world's deepest hole. It is 7.5 miles deep, but interestingly, only 9 inches wide.
- With an average height of about 13,000 feet and stretching for 4,300 miles, the Andes Mountains are the longest continental mountain range in the world.
- Due to a discrepancy over border recognition between Egypt and Sudan, there is a region in Africa called Bir Tawil that belongs to no country.
- At 3'7", Eddie Gaedel was the smallest Major League Baseball player of all time. He walked in his only plate appearance.



Certified Healthcare Trustee ... Dr. Melanie Richburg (right), CEO of Lynn County Hospital District, presents a certificate to LCHD Director Sharon Isham, left, who recently earned the designation of Certified Healthcare Trustee.

Area News News items from area newspapers

Lake gets 2,000 rainbow trout

LAMESA - Lamesa's Boys and girls Club Lake was stocked last Thursday with 2,000 catchable-size rainbow trout for the benefit of local anglers. It was the second such stocking this winter through a cooperative effort of the local Wilton Foundation and the Texas Parks and Wildlife's Inland Fisheries Division.

Anglers are reminded that community fishing lakes have special regulations for rainbow trout. The bag limit is 5 trout per day per person, and there is no minimum length regulation on these small lakes. A valid Texas freshwater fishing license is required for anyone who is 17 or older. Only fishing by pole and line is permitted in community fishing lakes.

- from the Lamesa Press-Reporter

Area News News items from area newspapers

New band hall opens at LHS

LAMESA - Lamesa High School's new band hall is now open for service.

Students and staff were busy last Monday bringing last-minute equipment into the building. They held their first practice in the new facility last Tuesday.

"I feel wonderful. It's awesome," said LHS Principal Jerry Jerabek. "I was out there for the first practice and the kids were grinning from ear to ear. It's a beautiful facility."

The hall replaces a much smaller facility that was unable to accommodate more than 70 students.

LHS Band Director Sonia Carrion said she is thankful for the new band hall.

The band hall is one of many changes happening at the high school. Voters approved a \$30.4 million bond package in May 2018 to pay for new school facilities and upgrade existing facilities.

- from the Lamesa Press-Reporter

City boosting gaming costs

LAMESA - Owners of game rooms are going to feel the financial pinch after Lamesa City Council members agreed last Tuesday to the first reading of an ordinance setting down heavier license and permit fees to operate such facilities.

The council discovered the city's permit and license fees were way lower than fees charged by other cities.

The city currently charges \$150 in permit fees and \$100 in license fees for game rooms. Other municipalities charge anywhere between \$5,000 and \$20,000 annually, along with setting fees for each game machine.

Under the new local guidelines, the city could require game room operators to pay a \$7,500 annual inspection fee, \$300 for background checks, and \$250 per tag for each machine.

- from the Lamesa Press-Reporter

BISD students could get late start next school year

BROWNFIELD - During a report to the Brownfield Independent School District board of trustees meeting Jan. 25, Superintendent Chris Smith touched on the construction of the new Brownfield High School and mentioned the next school year will begin late.

Smith said the construction is on time and the board is still working on the plans for furnishing, technology, and everything else. Yet even with everything going well, Smith stressed that the new school year will start late - meaning probably the last week of August, or possibly the first week of September, in order to get everything done.

- from the Brownfield News



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THE STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF LYNN §

BY VIRTUE OF ORDERS OF SALE DATED the 28th day of January, 2021, and issued pursuant to judgment decrees of the District Court of Lynn County Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in the hereinafter numbered and styled causes, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on the 28th day of January, 2021, seized, levied upon, and will on the 2nd day of March, 2021, at the Lynn County Courthouse, 1501 S. 1st. Tahoka, Texas, at 10:0 a.m. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, as provided for by the TEXAS PROPERTY TAX CODE.

All of the following properties being located in Lynn County, Texas and each property being more particularly described on an instrument recorded in the Volume and Page reference (V__P__) or document number of the Deed Records, Lynn County, Texas. The approximate property addresses reflected herein are the addresses on the tax records and may or may not be completely accurate.

PROP #	CAUSE #	STYLE	PROP DESCRIPTION, ADDRESS, ACCT #
1	16-11-02770	Lynn County Appraisal District v Mark W. Villarreal et al	the West 1/2 of Lot 5 and all of lot 6, Block 82, Original Townsite of the Town of O'Donnell, Lynn County, Texas (Vol. 343, Page 254, Official Public Records), Account #1334900001
2	18-03-02806	Lynn County Appraisal District v James Brown	Lot 11, Block 74, North Tahoka Addition, City of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas (Vol. 244, Page 183, Deed Records), Account #5018000001
3	18-06-02821	Lynn County Appraisal District v Joyce Mansell et al	Lots 1, 2, and 3, Block 137, Original Town of O'Donnell, Lynn County, Texas (Vol. 199, Page 219, Deed Records; Vol. 218, Page 447, Deed Records), Account #8583000001
4	19-05-02858	Lynn County Appraisal District v Rafael Velasquez et al	Lot 10, Block 133, Original Town of Wilson, Lynn County, Texas (Vol. 154, Page 606, Deed Records), Account #1179400001
5	19-10-02862	Lynn County Appraisal District v David Castaneda	Lot 6, Block 21, North Tahoka Addition, City of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas (Vol. 291, Page 900, Deed Records), Account #4569000001
6	19-10-02864	Lynn County Appraisal District v Jesus Reyes	a 2.2 acre tract, more or less, out of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 111, Block 12, E.L. & RR RR Co. Survey, City of New Home, Lynn County, Texas (Vol. 427, Page 196, Official Public Records), Account #4142000001
7	19-10-02868	Lynn County Appraisal District v Ricardo Frausto et al	Lots 13 and 14, Block 97, Original Town of Wilson, Lynn County, Texas (Vol. 335, Page 85, Official Public Records), Account #3048000001
8	20-02-02877	Lynn County Appraisal District v Connie Liendo Sepeda	Lot 2, Block 26, Original Town of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas (Vol. 354, Page 633, Official Public Records), Account #9400000001
9	20-03-02880	Lynn County Appraisal District v Rachel Lee Ledsema	Lot 8, Block 76, Original Town of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas, SAVE & EXCEPT the East 10' of Lot 8, Block 76, Original Town of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas (Vol. 325, Page 226, SAVE & EXCEPT Vol. 434, Page 146, Deed Records), Account #1766000001

This sale will be conducted to satisfy the judgment(s) for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interests due on the properties described herein, and for all costs of court and sale.

I do hereby verify that true and correct copies of the foregoing Joint Notice of Sale have been delivered by United States Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested and by regular mail, to each of the Defendants named in each of the numbered and styled causes.

DATED the 28th day of January, 2021, at Tahoka, Texas

/s/ Wanda Mason, Sheriff
WANDA MASON
Sheriff, Lynn County, Texas

You may contact the attorney for the taxing units at (325) 672-4870.

These local firms are sponsoring this **FARM NEWS:**

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Travis Ferguson and Mike Metzger

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Lynn County Farm Bureau



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Rollin' On ... Morgan Addison (#5) hits a basket for the New Home Lady Leopards, in New Home's decisive 91-32 victory here Friday. The Tahoka defender is #10 Nataly Taylor. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

Commissioners approve new vehicles for LCSO

by JUANELL JONES

Lynn County Commissioners approved the purchase of five new Tahoe vehicles for the Lynn County Sheriff's Office (LCSO), in action taken at their Jan. 25 regular session. The LCSO will sell five Dodge

pickups to supplement the purchase.

In other business, commissioners approved resolutions to apply for four grant programs, including two for the Lynn County Juvenile Probation Dept. through the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Program, for a Truancy Officer, and for Mobile Regional Counseling; and two through the Criminal Justice Division, for VOCA First Responder

Mental Health Program, and for Project Safe Neighborhoods Grant Program.

The final plat was accepted for the County Line Estates subdivision in northern Lynn County; and monthly bills were approved.

Lynn County Judge Mike Braddock led the meeting, with all four commissioners present including John Hawthorne, Matt Woodley, Don Blair and Larry Durham, as well as other county officials.

Letter from the Editor . . .

Good deed is appreciated!

After Saturday's terrible horrible no good dirty sandstorm left piles of dirt, trash, weeds and debris in its wake, area residents were busy Sunday cleaning off their driveways and sidewalks, and in the downtown area, the front sidewalks of local businesses.

At the Lynn County News office, there is a strange phenomenon that seems to funnel all trash and dirt from our Main Street block into a big messy pile in front of the News Office front door anytime the wind blows. I had been at the office working on Saturday, and knew there was too much dirt to attempt cleanup with a broom. Therefore, on Sunday afternoon I asked my husband to load up the blower and extension cord, and we pulled up to the office about 4 o'clock, ready to clean.

We were both pleasantly surprised to find that someone, as still yet unknown, had already performed a good deed and had blown off the dirt and debris, and our sidewalks were pristine! Efforts to discover who did the deed have been unsuccessful, but I just wanted to say to whoever did this: You absolutely made my day! Thank you, not only for the work in cleaning our area, but more especially for having the kindness, the thought, and the effort that you made to do something nice for someone else.

In these stressful times of Covid-19, a kind deed is a bright shining star. The work that you did probably took only a few minutes, but the impact of your good deed lasted much, much longer. Thanks again for making my day!

— Juanell Jones
The Lynn County News

New Home Happenings

by Denise Sherrod

New Home has an important election this May. We will be voting on a bond for the school, and we have city council seats open, as well as the mayor's position. Applications for the city council and mayoral seats are available at New Home City Hall and must be turned in by February 12th—a week from this Friday.

As New Home grows in population and traffic, we need representatives for all the citizens to get involved in keeping the city properly functioning. I have learned so much these past two years about what it takes to just keep water coming out of the faucets, which is something I really enjoy—the water, not the knowledge. If you, too, are fond of the city amenities and would maybe even like some

more, please consider running for city council or mayor. I can't guarantee you'll win, but I know

you won't if you don't run!

Thinking about getting that COVID-19 vaccination? Well, I was, and I did—the first one, anyway. "Surely that young voice cannot be old enough to qualify for that shot!" you may be thinking. Awww...that's so sweet of you, and you're right; I'm not QUITE old enough, but here's what happened: I was at an annual doctor's visit, and he asked if there were anything else he could do for me. I kind of jokingly said, "If you have any extra COVID shots, I'll take one."

Reader, he DID. I was shocked! Turns out, if you have a doctor in a clinic in a bigger city,

you might be able to get one of those rare needle sticks. I wish this were true in the smaller towns, but I think it may take a little longer. I did hear about people in Brownfield getting them, so YAY to them.

So, I got my first dose, and it did make me kind of sick for a couple of days. I had fever, chills, and pretty miserable achiness. Will I get #2? Oh... yes. I'm already preparing for a possible day off from work in case that one knocks me down, too. I don't care. I'm tired of this virus and willing to feel lousy for a weekend if it means it will end one day sooner.

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5th...9:00 am

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Letter to the Editor

Tahoka WWII veteran shot down over Germany in 1945 was a hero

Hello. I am looking for some information on Lieutenant Andy T. Wilson. Lt Wilson was killed in Germany, March 1945. He is from Tahoka and is interred in Tahoka.

I believe Lt Wilson had a son that I would like to contact if possible. My email address is jsfangda@msn.com.

I found this information on-line:

Tahoka Lynn County News, 24 June 1949, Tahoka, Texas: *Wilson* - Reburial services for First Lieutenant Andy T. Wilson will be held in the Methodist Church here today... Wilson is the late husband of Mrs. Betty Sue Roberts Wilson and the father of their only child, Andy T., four ... Andy T. Wilson was born at Phoenix, Arizona, April 19, 1919, attended the public schools there. He was the son of Andrew Myrtle and Bessie Lillian (Thorel) Wilson.

(Editor's note: Military documentation on 31 January 1947 reported: Lt. Wilson was originally interred in Gescher, Germany, the place in which he met his death, but were later disinterred and moved to a more suitable site where constant care of the grave can be assured by our Forces in the field. The report further disclosed that his remains were then interred in the United States Military Cemetery, Neuville-en-Condroz, located 18 miles northeast of Liege, Belgium ... The Return Of World War II Dead Program provided for the return of the deceased to their next of kin, and Lt. Wilson was reburied in the Tahoka, Tx cemetery in June of 1949.)

My father, John M. Formon was a pilot, leading a B-24 Liberator 3 ship low level formation over Germany when all 3 planes were hit with FLAK. Andy's ship was on my Dad's right when it crashed. My father and Andy were both in the 491st BG, 852nd Squadron.

It's important to remember that the crew loss rate in the 8th AF was the highest of any branch of the service. You had a better chance of dying, 20,000 feet over Germany, than the Marines did at Normandy or Okinawa.

Also attached is an account, from my dad's co-pilot, of exactly what happened. My thought is the family would like to know. Andy was a hero who gave his life unselfishly for his country.

From a personal perspective, I plan to visit Andy's grave and say a prayer. I (we) owe so much to the veterans who fought for our freedom. We must never forget them.

My hope in sharing this is that the ultimate outcome would be that some person or group (public school?) would "adopt" Andy's grave, learn about him and the ultimate sacrifice he and others made and maybe visit the cemetery every six months (maybe on veteran's day) to honor him and all Tahoka vets.

*With the kindest regards always -- John Formon
Son of John M Formon (deceased), pilot 491st BG (H), 852 Squadron*

Andy Wilson's Last Mission

written by Thomas M. McEvoy, 852nd Squadron

At our pre-mission briefing on March 24, 1945, we were told that the 491st Bomb Group would be part of a major 8th Air Force effort to drop supplies and ammunition to the Allied troops who were fighting their way across the Rhine. Our assignment was to supply the British forces who had established a beachhead near Wesel Germany.

Our crew, consisting of John Formon, pilot, Al Chappell, navigator, Gerson Zubkin, bombardier, Don Duke, flight engineer, Red Leavitt, radioman, Charlie Martykan, Jim Duncan, Dan Denney and Lou Hoffmann, gunners, and myself, co-pilot, felt that we were going to have a relatively easy mission. We would fly at low level, cross the Rhine, drop the supplies, and head back to North Pickenham, possibly without crossing enemy lines. So we optimistically boarded the "She Devil" (our old standby, "Lookin' Good" had been retired), took off, rendezvoused with the lead plane shooting the green and yellow flares, and headed across the Channel.

A short time later, we were flying over the Belgian countryside, and I recall observing that the homes, shops, and factories appeared undamaged by bombs, as if World War II were an event of the distant past.

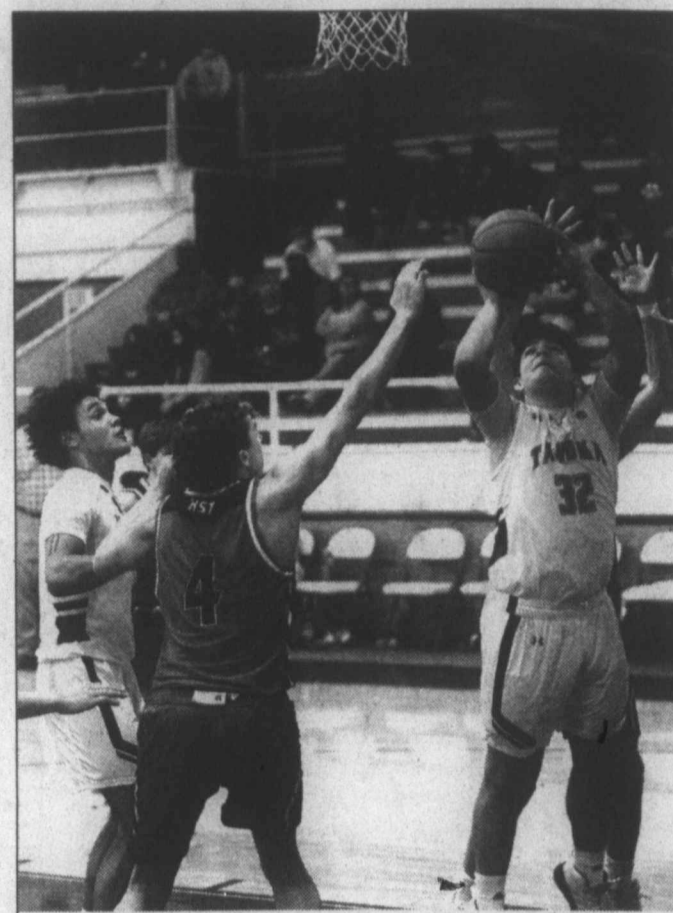
We were to be one of the last formations (if not the last) over the target, but it didn't occur to us that we might run into difficulty. We spotted the Rhine River ahead, and prepared for the drop, focusing on our brief flight over the beachhead. After crossing the River, we encountered conditions that we hadn't anticipated, and the events of the next few minutes will never be forgotten by John Formon's crew.

B-24's suddenly appeared at about 2 o'clock, coming at us on a collision course. They had just dropped their supplies and were heading home. John dropped the plan down to the treetops to avoid them, with our wing planes, piloted by Paul Fox on our left and Andy Wilson on our right, following us in close formation. We had to climb immediately to avoid high tension lines that came into view, and then began our run into the drop area.

As we let go of our cargo, we ran into heavy enemy fire. Before we could escape, we sustained a hit, and simultaneously Andy Wilson broke radio silence saying he was going to crash. I felt helpless watching his plane nose down a few hundred feet and explode on impact. John and I then looked to our left, and were stunned to see Fox's B-24, wings in flames, go into a vertical climb, turn over on its back, and plunge to the ground. I thought that maybe our luck had run out, but we flew through and past the enemy fire with all four Pratt & Whitneys working perfectly, and with our flight controls apparently intact. Al Chappell gave us a westerly heading, and we started to climb away from the treetops.

Duke, who had been manning the top turret, scrambled down to the bomb bay to assess the damage. Hydraulic fluid had coated the entire bomb bay, including the catwalk. The bomb bay doors were still open, and Duke was taking his life in his hands venturing into that space. He reported that a shell had opened a hole in the fuselage "that a man could walk through." The hydraulic tank was demolished by the hit, and later on, Duke counted some 86 holes in the fuselage, but fortunately, no one was injured and there was no serious structural damage.

With no hydraulic system, we knew that we couldn't close the bomb bay doors, use our landing flaps, our brakes, and that the landing gear would have to be lowered by hand crank. While John and I were discussing our options, Al Chappell screamed into



Power Rebound ... Tahoka's Kaidance Rodriguez (#32) gets the rebound and put back over #4 Kaden Gray of New Home. #12 Nate Castillo is there to help. New Home won the Friday night game, 67-54. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

the intercom that we were heading east into Germany. John and I realized that we had relied on the gyrocompass, which wasn't functioning properly, and we made a very quick 180. We knew we would be a sitting duck if there happened to be a German fighter in the vicinity, and it seemed to take forever for us to reach the Rhine again.

Without flaps and brakes, we knew that North Pickenham's runways would be too short for us, so we opted for Manston Air Base in southeast England, which had a five mile long runway. Duke was able to lower the landing gear, and we brought the B-24 in at 130 knots, touching down at the beginning of the runway. We cut all four engines and shut off the electrical system to reduce the chance of fire should we crash. The plane started to veer toward the right, but we were moving fast enough that full left rudder brought us back to the center. When we reached the end of the runway, we continued on until we hit a fence at the property line, and came to a stop. "She Devil" had made her last flight, but our crew was intact, and we were ferried back to North Pick.

The next morning, Howard Kohl, a pilot in the 853rd, my boyhood chum from our hometown of New Rochelle, N.Y., came to see me because he couldn't believe what happened to our formation the day before. I described the drop zone disaster in detail, and he replied that he didn't think his formation got a single hit.

I remember his words as he looked at me and said, "and we thought it was a Milk Run."

— Tom McEvoy, 852nd

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