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Did you know?

Disney uses garlic in a truly unique way! In notoriously swampy Central Florida, flying and buzzing and biting insects are a continuous nuisance. Except at Walt Disney World, that is. Ever wonder why there are no mosquitoes at Disney? There's a twofold reason: First, the park was designed to keep mosquitoes at bay by removing any possibility of having standing water where they can lay eggs. And second, if mosquitoes do make their way into the parks, Disney is ready with its secret insect repellent: garlic. Mosquitoes notoriously can't stand the smell of garlic, so Disney sprays an extract around the park. (Don't worry, it's formulated to not be detectable to humans.)



Don't forget to take your LCN on trips!

The Lynn County News loves to travel – so don't forget to take a photo with The News when you take a trip!

Send us your "Where In The World is the Lynn County News" photos, and we will publish them for free as soon as space allows. This feature has proven very popular with LCN readers, and we love to see all the fabulous places that our readers travel.

Email your photos to:
LynnCoNews@poka.com
(Include names and location please)

WHAT'S OUTSIDE

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
June 28	99	71	
June 29	97	71	
June 30	98	68	
July 1	100	71	
July 2	98	69	
July 3	98	69	
July 4	98	72	

(Precipitation/temps measured as of 6 a.m. on date reported, for the previous 24 hr period)

Total Precip for Jan:	0"
Total Precip for Feb:	0.19"
Total Precip for Mar:	0.19"
Total Precip for Apr:	0"
Total Precip for May:	0.60"
Total Precip for June:	1.19"
Total Precip for July:	0"
Total Precip. for 2022:	2.17"

\$2300 in rewards now offered in animal cruelty case here

No new information has come forth on a brutal animal cruelty case reported in Tahoka on June 15, despite rewards of \$300 offered by the Tahoka Police Department and an additional \$2,000 reward offered by the Humane Society, according to police this week.

A homeowner reported to police that someone had savagely mutilated and killed their dog in a single incident that occurred on June 15, and since then numerous social media postings on facebook have stated that there are a number of other incidents of mutilated animals in the city. However, according to Police Chief Jeff Parker, only the one case has actually been reported to police here.

"We have not had any new information on the case from June 15, and we have not had any other calls reporting this type of cruelty," Chief Parker told *The News* this week. "We did have a call reporting the death of a dog, but that appeared to have been from contaminated water provided to the dog, and the owner was issued a citation for cruelty to animals. We are aware of social media postings that state there have been other mutilations of dogs, but have not had any calls from owners reporting such incidents," he said.

"We welcome any information on this case," he added. Lynn County Sheriff's Office received a call from a rural residence on June 28 that reported possible animal cruelty, calling after her children found a bag with what might have been a mutilated dog inside, near CR 21 and US 87. However, a deputy investigating the scene reported that the dead animal appeared to be a wild hog that was killed and the scraps were thrown out on the county road in a bag.

Police also continue to offer a \$300 reward for information leading to arrests of persons involved in a rash of vehicle burglaries in the city within the last several weeks, with vehicle owners reporting that unknown persons had apparently rifled through the contents of un-locked vehicles, sometimes with

items reported missing. Last week, a vehicle parked behind a local convenience store on the access road of US 87 was reported broken into, reported at 9:40 p.m. July 3, and cash was reported stolen from an un-locked vehicle parked in the 2300 block of N. 2nd on July 4.

Two air conditioner units and some tools were reported missing from a residence in the 1000 block of Ave. J at 8:30 p.m. July 2, with homeowners reporting that the items were taken while they were in the process of moving out.

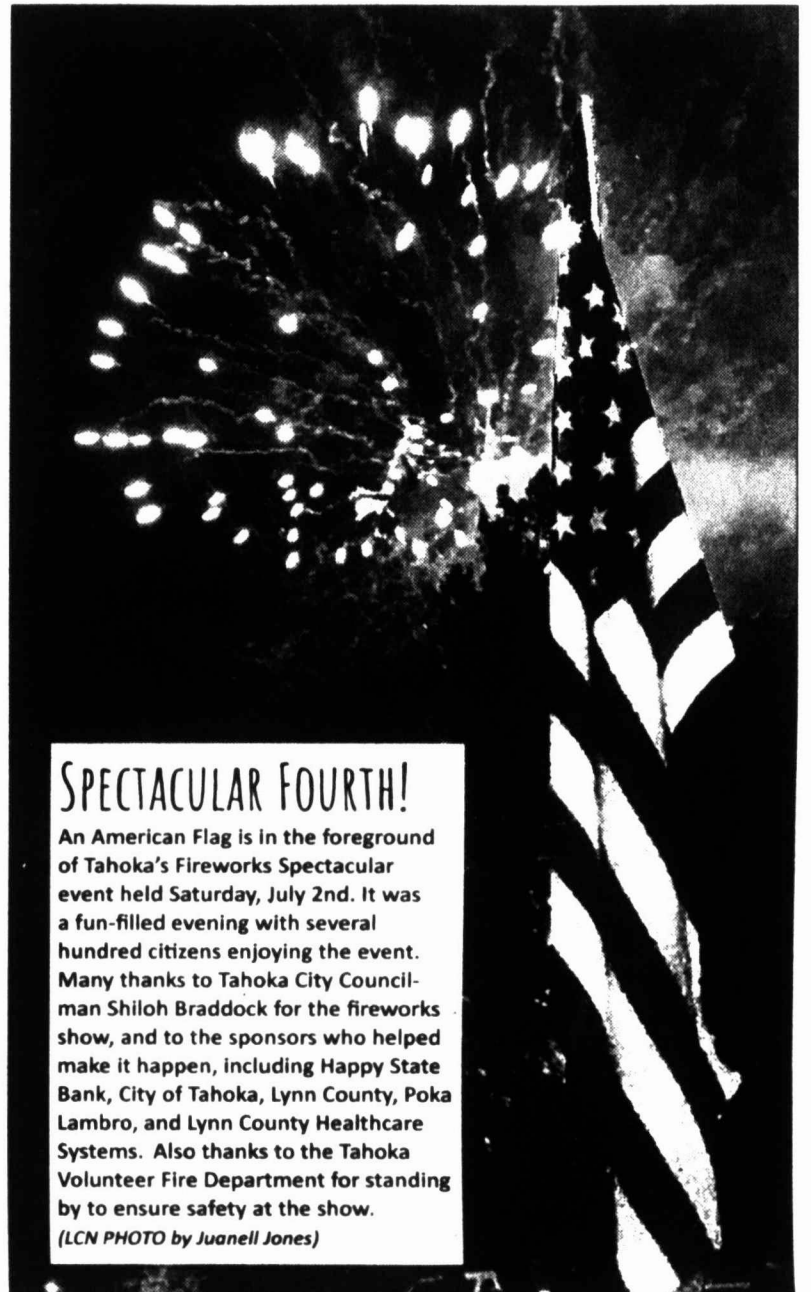
Lynn County EMS was called to respond for injury to a person's hand after a vehicle struck a deer at 6 a.m. June 29 at US 87 and South 5th St. in Tahoka.

At 8:34 a.m. June 29, LCSO was called to report an injured deer that had been struck by a vehicle on US 84 just north of the Garza/Lynn County line, that was still alive. A deputy responded to put down the deer.

Officers responded to several calls for welfare concerns, including a man seen walking on US 87 at 10 a.m. June 30. A deputy responding to the scene gave the man a ride to the Terry/Lynn County Line on US 380. A welfare concern regarding a woman not responding to family calls resulted in deputies discovering a deceased female inside her home in Wilson on June 28, with the Justice of Peace notified.

A grandfather called LCSO to ask a deputy to meet him at his ex-son-in-law's rural residence in the county at 4:15 p.m. June 28, because his 8-year-old and 11-year-old grandsons were home alone with their father reportedly out of town. According to the LCSO call sheet report, the children had called their grandfather saying that the

(See **POLICE REPORT**, page 6)



SPECTACULAR FOURTH!

An American Flag is in the foreground of Tahoka's Fireworks Spectacular event held Saturday, July 2nd. It was a fun-filled evening with several hundred citizens enjoying the event. Many thanks to Tahoka City Councilman Shiloh Braddock for the fireworks show, and to the sponsors who helped make it happen, including Happy State Bank, City of Tahoka, Lynn County, Poka Lambro, and Lynn County Healthcare Systems. Also thanks to the Tahoka Volunteer Fire Department for standing by to ensure safety at the show. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

RODEO! O'Donnell Rodeo is this weekend

O'Donnell's annual "Biggest Little Rodeo in Texas" will be held July 7-9, at the rodeo grounds on US 87 in O'Donnell.

The rodeo begins nightly at 8 p.m. General admission is \$10 at the gate, with admission tickets also serving as a chance to win cash prizes in nightly drawings.

A parade starts at 6 p.m. Saturday, July 9th, with riding clubs, floats and other entries, and featuring the Six White Horses from Hardin Simmons in Abilene.

A rodeo dance will also be held on Saturday night, with live music from Raised Right Men from Fort Worth.

Rodeo events include saddle bronc, bareback bronc, calf roping, team roping, break-away roping, and for the younger generation, goat sacking and mutton bustin'.



Where in the world is The Lynn County News ?

Paris, France!

Anniversary in Paris ...

Fred and Lisa Hendricks from Wilson, Texas were in Paris, France for their 25th wedding anniversary, taking along their Lynn County News for this photo with the iconic Eiffel Tower in the background. *The News* is 5,100 miles from home!



DID YOU KNOW?

“ People say nothing is impossible, but I do nothing every day. ”

—WINNIE THE POOH

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Obituaries



Carla (Wilke) Cavender

Carla (Wilke) Cavender, 67, of Wilson, passed away on Tuesday evening, June 28, 2022. She was born on March 5, 1955, in Lubbock, Texas to Mary Frances (Campbell) Wilke and the late Carlton Wallace Wilke.

Carla attended Wilson High School, graduating with the senior class of 1973. Following graduation, she lived in Lubbock, Austin, and California before moving to Michigan in 1984. In 1991, she returned to her home state of Texas.

Carla worked in the Texas Tech Southwest Collection, school of architecture, and research services as a research services administrator, before retiring in 2013. She was a voracious reader, volunteered at the Tahoka library, loved to travel and visit her two sons, and their families, and

grandchildren, spending time with her mother, the occasional gardening, and enjoyed movies and lunch outings with her friends. Carla had a vibrant personality that would let her make friends with anyone she met. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Wilson.

She was preceded in death by her father, Carlton Wallace Wilke on July 4, 2016.

Those left to cherish and honor her memory include two sons, Jamie Mick Christopher Cavender and his wife Annabelle of Grapevine, Texas and William Carlton Cavender and his wife Jessica of Palm City, Florida; her mother, Mary Frances Wilke; two brothers, Wesley Carlton Wilke and Kendall Wade Wilke, both of Wilson, Texas; two sisters, Dina Jean Tehan of Carrollton, Texas and Janet Frances Ibarguen of Dallas, Texas; four grandchildren, Alexander, Caleb, George and Sara.

Funeral services for Carla were held at 10 AM on Saturday, July 2, 2022, at the First Baptist Church in Wilson, 1403 13th Street. Brother Billy Parmer will be the officiant for the services. Final rites and interment was in the Green Memorial Park Cemetery, in Wilson, under the personal care and direction of Combest Family Funeral Homes.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations in Carla's memory be made to the First Baptist Church in Wilson or to the Tahoka Library. The Cavender family appreciates your acts of kindness, cards, and memorials.



Progress ... Tahoka's new Family Dollar/Dollar Tree store is nearing completion, with work appearing completed on the outside of the building in the 1700 block of Lockwood, and progressing on the interior of the building with shelving and furnishings. No official word has been received as to when the new store will open. (LCN PHOTO)

Where in the world is The Lynn County News?



Quannah Parker Powwow ... Clyde May (left) and Courtney Stennett traveled to Quannah, TX for the Quannah Parker Society Powwow, where they met relatives of Quannah Parker and visited with other native Americans. They were formally blessed by Chuck Waltrip and invited to join in their drum dance. They are pictured with *The News* in front of a Quannah Parker mural there.

Senior Citizens LUNCH MENU

July 11-15
Join us for exercises on Monday, Wednesday & Thursday from 11 a.m. - Noon! The dining area is open to visitors! Come see us!

- Monday:** Taco salad & corn chips, corn, watermelon, peach cobbler
- Tuesday:** Oven fried chicken breast, bow tie pasta, broccoli raisin salad, fruit cocktail
- Wednesday:** Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, stewed okra, corn, pumpkin square
- Thursday:** Chicken spaghetti, carrots, zucchini, bananas w/ vanilla pudding
- Friday:** Cheeseburger, potato wedges, tomato wedge salad, melon medley

A quote to remember ...


The measure of a man ...
"The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy."
- Martin Luther King Jr.

Did you know?

Did you know King Tut owned a dagger from outer space?

King Tutankhamun had lots of cool things that were buried with him when he died, but one of his most intriguing may have been a dagger made of meteoric metal when archaeologists found it in his tomb in 1925. Recently scientists were able to confirm the dagger was made of iron, nickel, and cobalt and strongly suggests an origin that is out of this world!

Please join us for a visitation in memory of **Mark McAfee** Sunday, July 17 2:00-4:00 P.M. Life Enrichment Center 1717 Main - Tahoka



MARK EMERY MCAFEE
October 23, 1953
February 1, 2022

Come share stories with us. We would love to see you!
The Mark McAfee family

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If you can spot the Andromeda Galaxy with your naked eyes, you can see something 14.7 billion billion miles away.

A look back at ... **Woodwork**
by Dalton Wood
(Reprinted from the past) Dalton Wood

Please visit these Lynn County Churches

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

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

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

Sweet Street Baptist Church
1300 AVENUE J • BOX 751 • TAHOKA, TX 79373 • (806) 561-1306
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 Ministry)
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

New Home United Methodist Church
Pastor Dillan Ford
(806) 577-1878
dillanf00@gmail.com
350 N. Main • New Home, TX 79383
(806) 924-7549
Sunday School 9:45 am • Worship 10:45 am

Released and Restored
He was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed. ~ Isaiah 53:5

When a judge puts down a hammer to seal a guilty verdict, the person is condemned to whatever sentence is given. Forms of punishment have been different over time and space, but they all share the same purpose - to cause one to suffer the consequence for wrongdoing. We were cursed by the sin of humanity.

What a powerful transformation it was when Jesus came to remove the curse. He suffered to release us from guilt. His punishment brought us peace. He wore the shame so we could be healed. While it is sobering to realize what Jesus has done for us, we can also rejoice in our freedom. Jesus is not still on the cross! We are not still under the curse! If you are feeling the weight of your brokenness, let your heart be encouraged that Jesus came to give you life. Live in the fullness of his love.

Lord Jesus, thank you that you have released me from the curse of sin so that I can live in forgiveness and healing. I bring all of my hurt and shame to you today and pray that you would restore me to health and wholeness. ~ Amen

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

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

First Methodist of Tahoka
1801 Ave. J • Tahoka • (806) 561-4503
email: fmcctahoka@poka.com
Billy Everett, Pastor
Sunday School - 9:30 am
Sunday Worship - 10:30 am (Fellowship Hall)
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Wilson St. Paul Lutheran Church
16th & Houston St. • Box 136 • Wilson, TX 79381
(806) 628-6471 • www.stpaulwilson.com
PASTOR: DAVID W. RODE
Sunday School 9:15 am • Divine Service 10:15 am
"Where Christ Serves People"

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

WHEN I SAW Lotta Tahokum standing on the sidewalk near my office last Friday, I stepped outside to say hello to her, but she sort of backed away, saying, "Get away from me—you're covered in germs!"

"What are you talking about?" I retorted. "I take regular baths and brush what teeth I still have."
She said she had just read a newspaper article that claimed even healthy people have about 10,000 germs living on them and inside their bodies, and besides, she said, eyeing me significantly, "the more a person weighs, the more germs they have."

I also had read that report. It said that everybody has all these bacteria, fungi and other microbes on their bodies and inside them, but that many of the germs are good ones that combat the bad ones we all have. The claim was that larger people could have as much as six pounds of germs in and on their bodies, which is pretty depressing news to large people.

"After reading that stuff in the paper yesterday, I have taken six showers and used a quart of Listerine," Lotta exclaimed. "Shouldn't that help?"

I asked if she had thought about drinking a pint of whiskey every day. "That ought to kill those little boogers. And if not, at least you'd be less concerned about them."
She thought that would be a bad idea, and I have to agree. But the thought of all those things on us, and crawling around inside us, is disgusting.

I remember reading somewhere that during sleep, almost everyone unknowingly swallows some bugs and spiders. Considering that, plus all those germs in our innards, it's no wonder I usually wake up feeling lousy.

MOVIES for years have been officially rated so viewers will know what to expect in the way of offensive things. A rating of G means family-type things that almost anyone can watch without being offended. PG means parental guidance, V is for violence, R means raunchy with inexcusable language, N is for nudity, SC is for sexual content. There are a few other designations we are accustomed to, but sometime recently (I only noticed a few months ago), a mysterious label of D is given for some movies.

I have no real information about what that stands for, but it may be for dumb or disgusting. Most movies should be labeled UVA, meaning unfit to be viewed by anybody, and perhaps T for tasteless and S for stupid should be invoked.

There are a few good movies, however. They are so rare they should be cherished.
~June 14, 2012

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Area News News items from area newspapers

Weekend gunfire hits teen in head

LAMESA – Lamesa police are continue to investigate a weekend incident in which an 18-year-old female was shot in the head.

The female survived what Lamesa Police Chief Josh Peterson described as "a grazing wound," but was transferred to University Medical Center in Lubbock after receiving initial treatment at Medical Arts Hospital.

A press release issued late Tuesday by Peterson states the police department received a telephone call about 9:37 p.m. Saturday (June 25) from Medical Arts Hospital about a gunshot victim who was brought to the emergency room in personal vehicle.

"Upon at the ER, officers made contact with an 18-year-old Hispanic female that was shot in the head," states the press release. "The shot partially impacted and grazed the head of the female, and she was responsive when officers arrived."

About the same time as the call was received from the hospital, officers responded to a call reporting that occupants of two vehicles were shooting at each other in the 1100 block of S. 3rd St.

Detectives with Lamesa's Police Department's Criminal Investigation Division (CID) later determined that the two calls were connected.

"The investigation was turned over to CID and is still currently being investigated," states the press release.

-- from the Lamesa Press-Reporter

Couple to serve as missionaries

SLATON – Sam and Irene Rodriguez will start serving as missionaries for two years in Mexico City starting this month.

They are excited about their next adventure, as over the last 30 years of their ministry they ministered in many areas of their life as pastors, evangelists, children's pastors, leading trainings in churches in the USA and in several other countries.

They have been residents in Slaton for the past 15 years and have two children: Samuel Isaac, who is a missionary in Brazil, and Vanessa, a teacher in Arlington.

In Mexico City, they will work with orphan and orphanages connecting local churches to the orphans.

They will also be helping churches train up leadership on children's ministry.

-- from The Slatonite

Lamesa newspaper wins awards

LAMESA – Quick and extensive coverage of the severe storm which pounded Lamesa last summer has earned the Lamesa Press-Reporter national recognition.

The newspaper received a first place award in the "Communication in Crisis" category of the National Newspaper Foundation's Better Newspaper Contest.

Seventeen stories and 21 photos about the storm were featured in the first edition of the Press-Reporter following the June 26, 2021 event.

Winds estimated at 110-120 miles per hour, three inches of rainfall in a 20-minute period, and widespread hail caused extensive damage across the city.

An estimated 30-40 homes were damaged from flooding, almost a dozen travel trailers were overturned, trees were toppled on houses, and numerous buildings and vehicles across the city heavily damaged by the wind and hail.

Additional rainfall over the following hours and days caused further problems, shutting down two of the main highways to and from Lamesa.

Although Publisher/Editor Russel Skiles and reporter Mary Elizabeth Davis produced the stories and photos about the storm, Skiles said the coverage was a team effort involving the entire newspaper staff.

"Although the storm hit on a Saturday evening and our next publication didn't come out until the following Wednesday, I was extremely proud of the information we provided the community both in the print edition and online," Skiles said. "The entire staff pitched in and helped in any way they could."

The Lamesa Press-Reporter also won two other awards in the Better Newspaper contest, for photos of breaking news events.

-- from the Lamesa Press-Reporter

Man's vision restored with surgery

LAMESA – Retired Ackerly pastor Michael Riggins, 73, was looking at the possibility of losing his eyesight after being diagnosed with glaucoma. Luckily for him, all it took were barely-visible stents to restore his vision in both eyes – at least for now.

When you think of stents, it's usually the expandable tubes used to re-open narrowing arteries leading to the heart, according to medical websites.

Stents are now utilized in the treatment of glaucoma by reducing the pressure within the eye and on the retina, a light-sensitive area responsible for conveying visual information to the brain.

Glaucoma is the result of built-up fluid in the eye. The eye naturally creates fluid, with drainage behind the iris for excess fluid. When that drainage system stops working properly, the excess fluid can apply pressure onto the optic nerve.

When Riggins was diagnosed with glaucoma, he thought his days were just going to get dimmer.

"You have a fast-growing case of glaucoma," Riggins said his doctor told him. "I thought that was a death knell; just get ready to be blind."

The stent used in Riggins's surgery is called the iStent inject W, and is smaller than the diameter of a human hair. The stents used for glaucoma treatment only slow the condition's progression.

"It didn't hurt," said Riggins of the procedure. "There was some pain, but I was amazed it didn't hurt. In two days, I could see perfectly," he said.

-- from the Lamesa Press-Reporter

Did you know it's illegal to own just one guinea pig in Switzerland?

Guinea pigs are highly social critters that prefer the company of other guinea pigs. That is why it's illegal to own just one of these adorable pets in Switzerland. Also, if one of your guinea pigs passes away and you're not ready to commit to another, the Swiss government will also allow you to rent a guinea pig as a companion to your remaining pet.



Nan Howell honored ... Phebe K. Warner study club members celebrated with Nan Adams Howell on July 1, 2022. Nan was honored for 55 years of service to the PKW study club with a pin and letter of accommodation from the national office of the General Federation of Women's Clubs. A proclamation was also presented from Tahoka Mayor John Baker for 55 years of service to Phebe K. and the Tahoka community. Another PKW member, Edna White, will receive a proclamation for 56 years of service to Phebe K. from Mayor John Baker. At the time of her death, Madeline Hegi had been a PKW member 75 years. The Madeline Hegi family will receive a proclamation from Mayor John Baker and a 75-year pin. The Phebe K. Club has been active in Tahoka for 100 years.

Nominations open for Farm Dog of Year

Farmers are invited to submit nominations for the 2023 Farm Bureau Farm Dog of the Year contest, supported by Purina.

The contest opened in January and the deadline has been extended to July 15. The grand prize winner – Farm Bureau Farm Dog of the Year – will win a year's worth of Purina dog food and \$5,000 in prize money. The winner will be recognized at a Farm Dog of the Year award ceremony at the American Farm Bureau Federation Convention in January 2023. Up to four regional runners-up will win \$1,000 in prize money.

Desired attributes for the Farm Dog of the Year include helpfulness to the farmer and his/her family, playfulness and obedience.

Farm dog owners must be Farm Bureau members to enter their dogs in the competition.

Eligibility guidelines and submission requirements are available at <https://www.fb.org/land/fdoty>.

The Farm Bureau Farm Dog of the Year contest is sponsored by the American Farm Bureau Federation.

Scientific research insights from a collaboration between Mayo Clinic and Purina reveal that interacting with pets can provide health benefits. For example, after spending just 20 minutes with a dog, people experienced a significant increase in levels of oxytocin, a hormone that plays a role in moderating stress. This was also associated with a decrease in heart rate and an increase in self-reported sense of well-being.

Did you know?

• Did you know the fear of peanut butter sticking to the roof of your mouth has a name?

Sure, it's a common fear to be afraid of snakes or spiders but if you have arachibutyphobia, you're among a small percentage of people that have a fear of peanut butter sticking to the roof of their mouths. This phobia also goes along with a fear of choking or a fear of sticky textures.

• Did you know there's a peak cuteness for puppies?

In 2018, a study was conducted by Arizona State University comparing how people viewed the "cuteness" of dogs. They found that puppies actually hit their ultimate cuteness around 6-8 weeks old.

Winehouse at 127

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Lynn County Farm Bureau



BURN BAN IN EFFECT IN LYNN COUNTY

NO OUTDOOR BURNING IS ALLOWED IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF LYNN COUNTY DURING THE 90-DAY BURN BAN THAT IS CURRENTLY IN EFFECT
by order of the Lynn County Commissioners Court

Anyone who burns outdoors during a burn ban is committing a Class C Misdemeanor and can be issued a fine of up to \$500 for the offense of "Violate County Order-Burn Ban".



Exotica ... Madison Chaloupka of Wildcat 4-H in Idalou was paired with Exotica, a 22-year-old Arabian who she is teaching in-hand skills, in a Texas 4-H program that helps find homes for at-risk horses.
(Photo courtesy of Texas 4-H Homes for Horses)

Texas 4-H program helps at-risk horses find homes

by Paul Schattenberg, Texas AgriLife Extension Service

A new Texas 4-H program is helping address the problem of neglected, abandoned and other "at-risk" horses by pairing them with youth who will help them transition to permanent homes. Texas 4-H is the youth outreach and development component of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service.

Texas has more horses than any other state in the U.S., with an estimated population of more than 750,000. Unfortunately, there is also a growing number of at-risk horses among this large population.

"Horses that have been abandoned, neglected or abused, as well as those whose owners can simply no longer afford to care for them, are all at-risk horses that need our care," said Lexi Romo, lead graduate advisor for the Texas 4-H Homes for Horses program. Romo works in the Department of Animal Science at Texas A&M's College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Bryan-College Station.

Texas is in a unique position to develop more opportunities and programs to reduce the abuse, neglect and abandonment of these animals, she said.

"Many Texas 4-H youth are keenly aware of the issues and challenges related to these at-risk animals," Romo said. "They know these horses need a new home and new purpose and want to make a meaningful impact by helping them. We developed the Homes for Horses program as a way for these concerned 4-H'ers to connect with and help these horses."

The Texas 4-H Homes for Horses program has received an initial two-year grant from the Texas Thoroughbred Association and will aim to engage donors and sponsors to supplement and sustain its efforts. It also has key organizations with which it collaborates, including the ASPCA Right Horse Initiative and adoption partners the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals of Texas and Humane Society of North Texas, HSNT.

The ASPCA Right Horse Initiative provides insight and resources to match each horse with the right person to help create safe, long-term placements and improve equine welfare. The SPCA of Texas and HSNT identify at-risk horses for the program

and provide long-term support for the participating 4-H youth and their horses.

Senior 4-H members, those of high school age, interested in participating in the Homes for Horses program go through an application process and are required to send in a video of them riding or handling horses. Program personnel then assess their level of expertise and match them to the right horse for their skill level.

"We pair the right horse with the right 4-H member, and that youth commits to caring for the animal and improving its well-being for a year," she said.

Participants are given a stipend to help with the expense of caring for the horse, and at the end of the program they can choose whether to adopt the horse or to present it for an adoption auction at the Texas State 4-H Horse Show.

"We know some of the participants expect to adopt their horses," Romo said. "But the State 4-H Horse Show is the key venue for finding these animals a permanent home and raising money for the program. At the show, program participants compete and try to inspire those in the audience to bid on and permanently adopt their horse."

Prior to taking possession of their horse, program participants are given intensive training on what their horses will require while in their care, said Chelsie Huseman, Ph.D., assistant professor and AgriLife Extension horse specialist in the Department of Animal Science. Huseman serves as the Texas 4-H Homes for Horses program leader.

This past fall, participants were given a daylong introduction and overview of their horses and learned about the horses' needs during the program's meet-and-greet event at the HSNT headquarters in Joshua.

"Some of these horses may have behavioral issues or need nutritional changes for optimal health, and we address such issues at the meet-and-greet," she said.

Huseman noted the program also provides the participants and their families an opportunity to learn about the value of horse ownership through a low-risk and relatively low-cost experience while helping at-risk horses.

"Horse ownership is expensive, but horse owners already know and understand the full value of what owning a horse brings to them and the full value of that relationship," she said. "These young people care for and maintain the animals, improving their lives and making them more desirable for someone to permanently adopt them."

Madison Chaloupka, 14, a seven-year 4-H member in the Wildcat 4-H Club in Idalou, was paired with Exotica, a 22-year-old Arabian who she is teaching in-hand skills.

"Exotica was in good condition when I got her, and she only had a mild case of thrush, which I took care of," Chaloupka said. "She didn't want to be ridden, but I could tell she had some show skills, so I'm helping her develop those."

Chaloupka said she is teaching Exotica show patterns and is also getting her used to objects that can sometimes frighten horses, such as tarps and being stalled.

"There are some challenges, but Exotica is extremely smart and a fast learner," she said. "Having her has also helped me in that I've learned to be more patient and to know what kind of positive reinforcement works best for her."

Horses from the program that will be in the adoption auction at the Texas State 4-H Horse Show on July 24 can be viewed on the Texas 4-H Homes for Horses website. Those interested in supporting the program can contact Huseman at chelsie.huseman@tamu.edu or 979-845-5264.

Texas 4-H Roundup wraps up 76th year

The largest gathering of 4-H members and supporters in the country spread across the Texas A&M University campus June 6-10.

A very large group of Texas 4-H members and others gathered in an auditorium setting at 2022 Texas 4-H roundup assembly. More than 2,400 youth and others involved in the Texas 4-H program attended this year's Texas 4-H Roundup held at Texas A&M University.

More than 1,400 youth attended the Texas 4-H Roundup event, which is touted as the pinnacle annual event for Texas 4-H. The event attracted more than 1,000 donors, trade show vendors, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service county agents and 4-H family members to the Bryan-College Station area.

The Texas 4-H Roundup has been held annually since 1946. Texas 4-H is the youth outreach and development component of AgriLife Extension, and the agency administers 4-H clubs throughout the state.

"Roundup brings together youth from 4-H clubs throughout Texas to share in a week of fun and educational activities and camaraderie, as well as to compete in approximately 50 diverse competitions," said Jana Barrett, AgriLife Extension specialist, 4-H and youth development, Bryan-College

Station. "It is a qualifying and invitational event for senior 4-H youth."

Barrett said most of the contests during the event are state-level competitions for high school-age 4-H members, requiring individuals or teams to qualify at the county and district levels. "Many of the events were also invitational and were open to high school-age 4-H members," she said.

The competitions held at this year's 4-H Roundup related to agriculture and livestock, horses, STEM topics, health and wellness, food and nutrition, consumer sciences, public speaking, wildlife, outdoor sports and more.

Additionally, Texas 4-H members were awarded \$2.89 million in scholarships from the Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation.

One of the premiere activities at the Texas 4-H Roundup is the Leadership, Education, Advocacy and Development, or LEAD, Academy. The Leadership, Education, Advocacy and Development, or LEAD, Academy at the Texas 4-H Roundup focuses on involving youth in civic engagement, civic education and personal development.

"The LEAD Academy is for senior 4-H members and focuses on life after high school," said Megan Logan, who coordinates LEAD Academy. "Because of the pandemic, we've had to hold the LEAD Academy virtually, so this was the first time in three years we've been able to have an in-person event.

This is a next-level leadership learning opportunity for senior 4-H members in grades 9-12, as well as 4-H adult volunteers and parents.

Logan said this event is designed to engage youth in hands-on educational activities in which they explore, practice and master existing and newly developed skills and knowledge in civic engagement, civic

education and personal development.

"It is also an opportunity for 4-H adult volunteers to sharpen their skills to better work with 4-H members in their clubs and projects," she said. "They can connect and network with one another and share their experiences."

Logan said at the LEAD Academy, senior 4-H'ers gain practical, next-level leadership skills that will give them a heightened sense of responsibility and capacity to connect as active members of their communities, the nation and the world.

"We hope the youth who attend will apply what they learned during the LEAD Academy to make a positive difference in their respective communities," Logan said.

She said the LEAD Academy also provides an opportunity for older 4-H'ers to learn about the choices they may want to consider for work or extending their education after graduating from high school.

"We emphasize higher education but realize college may not be for everyone," she said. "So, we also introduce senior 4-H'ers to the possibilities of going directly into the workforce, engaging in some sort of technical training or attending a community college."

Logan said LEAD Academy activities include a variety of interactive workshops related to community service, adult volunteerism and building useful career- and education-related skills.

"We also present a college fair during the LEAD Academy, and this allows the participants to speak to representatives of various colleges and universities throughout the state," she said. "For many of these students, it's a unique opportunity to learn more about what career and educational options are open to them once they graduate from high school."

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CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING

Date: July 11, 2022
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: Tahoka City Hall (back entrance)
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Residents will be given an opportunity to be heard in connection with said proposed Zoning change. Information on this Zoning change is available for review at City Hall.

If you are unable to attend the hearing, you are allowed to forward a letter voicing your opinion for or against this variance to the attention of Dale Summers at City of Tahoka P.O. Box 300, Tahoka, Texas 79373. Your comments and concerns may be read aloud during the Public Hearing.

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The Tahoka Little League Majors team defeated teams from Floydada, Petersburg, and O'Donnell to become the Texas District 38 Majors Division champions.

They will advance to the Texas West Section 1 tournament in Midland, and

begin play on Tuesday, July 5th, against Tri City Youth (Borger). Other teams in the tournament include Lubbock Western, Mid-City (Midland), and Greenwood. The winner of the sectional tournament will advance to the Texas West State Tournament.

The Junior Baseball Team defeated teams from New Home, O'Donnell, and Slaton to be titled District 38 champions.

They will advance to the Texas West Section 1 tournament hosted in New Home, and play Friday, July 8th against Floyd Gwin.



Majors Division Champs ... The Tahoka Majors Little League team are Division champions. They advance to the Texas West Section 1 tournament in Midland. Team members include, from left, Damian Avalos, Kaegen Hood, Uziah Martinez, Myles Heinrich, Cason Curry, Harley Quintero, Brody Attebury, Jett DeLeon, Ayden Avalos-Olivarez, Jacob Garcia, Remington Stone, Xavier Arriaga, and Maricela Bustamante. Their coaches are, from left, Ryan Curry, Leroy Olivarez Sr, and Leroy Olivarez Jr.



District Juniors Champs ... The Tahoka Junior Baseball Team are the District 38 champions. They advance to the Texas West Section 1 Little League tournament hosted in New Home, this Friday. Team members include, in front from left, Martin Vera-Carlton, Boston Gonzales, Sam Kessler, Ryan Taylor, Isaiiah Solorozano; and in back, Assistant Coach John Quinonez, Josiah Quinonez, Benny Arguello, Dante Garcia, Michael Heinrich, Weston Ausbern, Hector Villegas, and Coach Douglas Ausbern.

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• Did you know Stonehenge used to be in a circular formation?

It wasn't until 2014 that a drought exposed an apparent circular outline of Stonehenge. Though it's now a semi-circle in shape, marks that may have signaled where stones might've been have given some credence to the idea that Stonehenge was originally a fully formed circle in shape.

Police report ...

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refrigerator was not working and they were hungry and there was nothing to eat at the residence. A deputy released the children to the grandfather until the father could return to town, and contacted the father and Children's Protective Services.

Police arrested a woman on charges of public intoxication, after she was found walking in the 1800 block of N. 5th Street at 1 a.m. June 29.

A caller reported a fight in progress at the intersection in New Home at midnight July 2, with eight men and two women reportedly involved in the fight, and several people trying to break up the fight.

While on the phone with LCSO, the caller reported that everyone was beginning to leave the scene, and a deputy responding to the scene was unable to locate any suspects.

Area fire departments responded to several small fires last week, including a grass fire one mile south of Wilson on FM 400 at 9:26 a.m. July 1, a vehicle fire on FM 400 and CR 18 at 2:41 p.m. July 2, and a brush fire on US 87 at 11:45 p.m. July 3, with Wilson VFD responding.

A grass fire in the northeastern part of the county was believed to have been started by fireworks on the night of July 4th, according to information from the Tahoka Volunteer Fire Dept. Approximately 10 acres burned, with firemen at the scene for about an hour, according to Fire Chief Bryan Reynolds.

Several calls reporting fireworks in the city were in police reports, but most were found to be at locations just outside the city limits. Other calls were for loud music, suspicious persons/vehicles, unwanted persons, civil issues, and reckless drivers.

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Allergy symptoms can include: Rash, Tearing, Runny Nose, Red Eyes, Itching, Sneezing

Did you know?

• Did you know there's a secret vault that holds nearly every type of crop seed?

It's the Svalbard Global Seed Vault, located in one of the coldest corners of the world: an island on the Svalbard archipelago, between Norway and the North Pole. This remote location allows the natural permafrost cooling necessary for proper storage of the world's largest collection of crop diversity. If the zombie apocalypse were to become a reality, or just if farmers' fields start to dry out, this seed vault would come to the rescue.

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