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Man Dies After Trailer Accident

Frank Eaker, 69, died early Sunday of injuries suffered in a trailer accident at his home about seven miles south of Tahoka early Saturday afternoon.

A flatbed trailer had crushed the man's leg, according to a report by a Lynn County Sheriff's Deputy who was called to the scene about 1 p.m. Lynn County EMS ambulance was called and later the victim was airlifted by helicopter to University Medical Center in Lubbock, where he died Sunday. Funeral services were held Tuesday.

Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Apr. 9	54	43	0.28"
Apr. 10	71	43	
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Sunday Evening Fire Destroys Resendez Home In Tahoka

by JUANELL JONES

Fire consumed the home of Marcelo and Dora Resendez late Sunday evening in Tahoka, despite efforts from a fast-responding fire department. Tahoka Volunteer Fire Dept. responded within minutes of an alarm that sounded at about 6:45 p.m. Sunday, rushing to the 800-block of Ave. J where the family had already safely evacuated the home.

No one was injured in the blaze, but the home and contents were completely destroyed, and the family reportedly did not have insurance coverage. Donations are being accepted at First National Bank of Tahoka, where the "Resendez Family Fund" account has been opened.

The family includes three small children - a 5-year-old girl and twin 4-

year-olds, a boy and a girl. Additionally, the couple had a niece and her three children who were also living in the home at the time of the fire. All belongings were lost and the family is in need of clothing, home furnishings and basic necessities. Local fire officials contacted the Red Cross, who is involved in providing some assistance to the family.

Tahoka Fire Chief Steve Sanders told *The News* that every fireman in the department who was not out of town responded to the alarm, and an O'Donnell fireman who was passing by stopped to help as well, and several former firefighters and citizens provided assistance. Tahoka Police Dept. officers were on scene to assist with traffic congestion, and Lyntegar offi-

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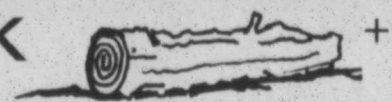
Blaze Consumes Home ...

Tahoka Fire Department responded to a fire alarm at the home of Marcelo and Dora Resendez in the 800-block of Ave. J Sunday evening. In the photo below, firemen attempt to enter the home just moments after arriving (the family had all safely evacuated before calling 9-1-1), but quickly determined the fire was well underway in the attic/roof and were forced to withdraw from the house. Within 10 minutes, the roof of the home collapsed, and the fire consumed the home and adjacent garage, destroying all the family's belongings. Three adults and six children were living there. An account has been opened at First National Bank for donations for the family, who did not have insurance coverage.



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by dalton



THE MIDDLE and last part of April is best remembered for bad news, like income tax deadlines and the Oklahoma City bombing (April 19, 1995), but some good things did make the news in past Aprils, according to a website I visited.

Problem is, the guy on the website video talked so fast I couldn't take notes on everything, even when I tried to replay it. Anyway, perhaps the best thing that happened in April was on April 17, 1970 when the space mission vehicle Apollo 13 landed safely in the ocean after some anxious days before that because of some problems.

Here are some of the things which happened in the last half of April:

April 21, 753 B.C.—Rome was founded. Even I can't remember that one, and can't really classify it as a good or bad thing.

April 18, 1906—the San Francisco earthquake. A bad day in California, where things have been a little out of kilter ever since.

April 23, 1564—Shakespeare was born. I think he started writing things down the next day.

April 20, 1999—The Columbine High School massacre, a terrible day.

April 19, 1897—The first Boston Marathon. A good thing, I suppose, so long as they don't insist that I run in it.

Sometime in April, 1955, Albert Einstein died at the age of 76, and on April 20 in a year I didn't catch, Madame Curie did something good for medical science; I'm not sure just what or which year. Too bad she didn't come up with a Curie for the common cold.

A SMALL BOY developed a habit of making up wild stories all the time, to the point that his mother became concerned, and finally sat him down to lecture him about the importance of being truthful at all times.

"It's good to have an active imagination, Tommy," she said, "but you shouldn't make up things and then tell them as if they are true. God wouldn't want you to do that. He will love you anyway, and so will I, but God is sad when you are not truthful."

Tommy promised he would stop telling lies, but only an hour or so later he came running in from the back yard, crying out, "Momma, momma, there's a lion in the alley!"

"Come and show me this lion," she said. So they went outside, looked over the fence, and there trying to get into the dumpster was a large St. Bernard dog.

"Now, Tommy," she said. "Is that really a lion?" The child tearfully admitted it wasn't.

"Okay," she said. "Now I want you to go up to your room for awhile and pray and talk to God about it." So he did.

After about 30 minutes she relented and told him he could come back down and play. "Did you talk to God about saying there was lion out there, and it was only a dog?"

"Yes, m'am."

"What did God say?" she smiled.

"Well, God said that when He first saw it, He thought it was a lion, too."

Relay For Life Set Here Friday

A special 12-hour event will begin here Friday evening, focusing on hope for cancer survivors and promoting cancer research. All area residents are invited to attend the Lynn County "Relay For Life" at the Tahoka High School football field starting at 7 p.m. Friday night and continuing until 7 a.m. Saturday. All proceeds raised at the Relay will go to the American Cancer Society for cancer research and programs.

Even those who are not participating in teams or other events are invited to come see what is going on at the football field, to watch the survivors walk, and to contribute to the cause by eating at concession stands or purchasing t-shirts and other items that will be for sale.

This year's Relay is the second consecutive event sponsored by Tahoka High School students, with senior Amy Barrera volunteering as chairman. Area cancer survivors are invited to walk in the Survivor Walk that kicks off the Relay for Life at 7 p.m., and Relay for Life teams begin their round-the-clock walks at 7:15 p.m., with someone from each team on the track at all times throughout the night. Anyone walking in the survivors

lap should register from 6-7 p.m. at the track.

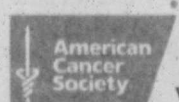
Luminarias will be placed around the track honoring cancer victims and cancer survivors, with a special Luminaria lighting ceremony set for 9 p.m. The luminarias may be purchased ahead of time or at the event that night.

THS Band/Athletic Boosters and the Tahoka First United Methodist Church will have concession stands offering food throughout the event, and Relay teams and sponsors may have other concession items, as well as t-shirts and other paraphernalia for sale. A silent auction will also offer baked goods at the relay. Anyone who

wants to contribute to the Relay For Life by providing a baked good at the silent auction may bring a baked good anytime before 8 p.m. to the football field.

Entertainment will be provided throughout the night and midnight karaoke will provide some fun for participants. Contests and prizes will keep the energy up during the hours before dawn, and an early-morning pancake breakfast will be offered at 5 a.m., with the last walk and closing ceremonies slated for 6:30 a.m. Saturday. The Relay officially ends at 7 a.m. Saturday.

RELAY FOR LIFE





Preparing for the Relay For Life ... The Lynn County Relay For Life Committee, shown above (all Tahoka High School students), takes a break before the big night. Gail Quisenberry hosted a Spa Night by Beauty Control for the committee to reward them for months of hard work. With the Relay coming up on Friday, April 18th, the Committee is busier than ever. "We are confident that the community will come through for the American Cancer Society. This is an incredible opportunity for people to make a positive impact on others, and they can have fun at the same time. We set a high goal of \$20,000 for the event, and we need the community's help to get there," said a committee member. The event will begin at 7 p.m. Friday with a Survivor Lap of Hope, and will conclude with a closing ceremony at 7 a.m. the next morning. Teams have been raising money for the Relay since December by hosting fundraisers, but the Relay For Life is the biggest fundraiser of all. There will be karaoke, food stands, jumping booths, games, massages, and much more. "Please come and contribute to this major fundraiser. It will be a fun-filled event for a great cause," said committee members.

Concession Stand Volunteers Needed For Relay For Life

The Tahoka Band Boosters and Tahoka Athletic Booster Club members will open the concession stand during the Relay for Life Events on Friday.

Baked potatoes, sausage wraps and pretzels will be served along with drinks and candy.

Volunteers are needed to work in two-hour shifts throughout the event. If anyone is interested, please contact Cathy Ross at 998-5363 to sign up.

Phebe K. Warner CLUB NEWS

Phebe K. Warner Club met at Lynnwood Assisted Living Center on Tuesday April 8 to recognize and honor the doctors, nurses and staff of Lynn County Hospital District and Lynnwood. A reception with refreshments and certificates were presented to about 48 employees by Barbara White, Club President, and 10 Phebe K. members.

The club manned a homemade ice cream booth at the annual Lynn

County Hospital District Fun & Food Festival on Saturday April 12. A total of \$347 was presented to Tahoka Rotary Club from proceeds of the ice cream sales.

The Club acknowledges the importance of the Lynn County Hospital in our community and has always been an avid supporter in the past years. Phebe K. Warner members wish to express their gratitude for the hospital, the Board Of Directors, Dr. Freitag and all the staff associated with health-care in Lynn County.

The next meeting will be April 22 in the home of Mary Belew.

Collision In Wilson Involves Seven People

Four persons were treated for injuries, apparently none serious, after a collision last Thursday afternoon in Wilson at the intersection of FM 400 and FM 212 between a car and a pickup. Driver of the 2008 GMC pickup involved was Dennis McGehee, 39, of Lubbock. Driver of the 2001 Oldsmobile Alero was Venise Reyna, 24, of Ballinger. The Alero carried three adults and three children.

Two Lynn County EMS ambulances were called to the scene, and took four persons, all from the car, to Lynn County Hospital, where all were treated and then released. Two other persons involved in the accident refused treatment.

Treated were the driver of the Olds and three passengers, Jaden Collins, 8, Melana Quirogo, 7, and Jose Quirogo, 25. All are from Ballinger. DPS Trooper Travis Rhea investigated the accident.

Tahoka Police arrested a 39-year-old Tahoka man Saturday on a warrant for sexual assault of a child.

Police also said no new burglaries of residences had been reported in the city during the last week, and no arrests made in the string of recent break-ins.

William Raymond Abell of Tahoka told police last Thursday that someone had damaged his pickup by putting a substance, believed to be sugar, into the gas tank.

Arrests of 10 more persons during the last week brought the total number being held in Lynn County jail to 45 early this week, with 21 of those held for Lubbock County.

Latest arrests were for failure to appear on charges of theft by check, grand jury indictments on possession of a controlled substance, driving while intoxicated second offense or more and endangering a child and indictment for DWI third offense or more, failure to identify to a peace officer, assault/family violence, subsequent charge of driving while license invalid, aggravated sexual assault of a child (Wood County), and possession of marijuana.



MRS. DAVID LOVE (nee KRISTI LEA CHAPA)

Chapa-Love Vows Exchanged

Kristi Lea Chapa of Lubbock and David Ray Love of Norman, OK were united in marriage at 7:00 p.m. Saturday, March 8, 2008 at the Baker Building in Lubbock. The Rev. Fred Baker officiated the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Rickey and Carmen Chapa and the granddaughter of Dan and Lupe Garcia, all of Tahoka. The groom is the son of Regina Love and the grandson of Don and Donna Jones, all of Norman, OK.

Escorted by her father, the bride wore a Sottero satin, corset back gown featuring a side sash held by a crystal brooch with a chapel train. She wore a white teardrop veil lined with pearls and crystals, and carried a hand tied bouquet of burgundy and peach roses and tulips.

Marissa Chapa, of Tahoka, sister of the bride, served as

Maid of Honor. Erika Wofford of Cleveland, Ohio and Lorie Mojica of Mount Airy, Maryland served as bridesmaids.

Beau Deen of Norman, OK served as Best Man and Bobby Odom of Norman, OK, and Shaun Hull of San Diego, Ca. served as groomsmen.

Flower girl was Kylee Ramos, niece of the bride, of Tahoka.

A reception was held at the Baker Building following the ceremony.

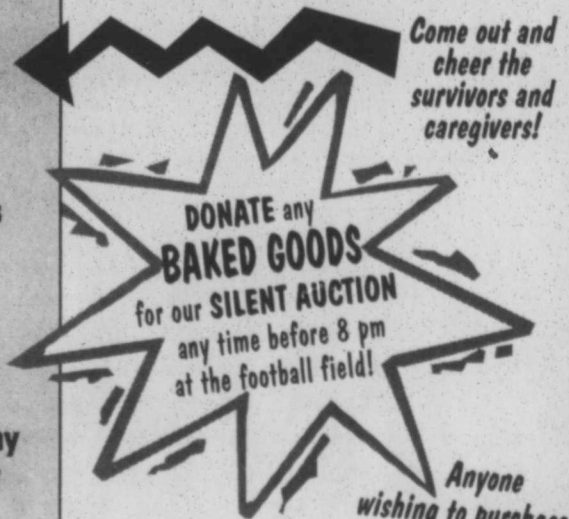
The couple is residing in Lubbock after honeymooning in Walt Disney World in Orlando, FL. The bride is a graduate of Tahoka High School and South Plains College, and is employed by Wells Fargo Bank in Lubbock. The groom is a graduate of Norman High School and The University of Oklahoma and is employed by Schwan's Food Service.

Lynn County Relay for Life Event begins at 5:00 p.m. Friday!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

- 5:00 pm Team set up
- 6:00 Survivor Registration begins
- 7:00 Survivor Lap & Caregiver Lap
- 7:15 First Lap for all participants
- 8:00 Silent Baked Goods Auction begins
- 8:10 Prize for Most Spirited Team
- 8:15 Byron Norwood performs
- 9:00 Luminaria Ceremony
- 10:00 108 East Broadway performs
- 11:00 Nikki Lee performs
- 12:00 22 Reasons performs
- 12:30 am Midnight Karaoke
- 2:00 Banner decorations begin
- 3:00 Silent Auction winners announced
- 3:30 Prize for Best Banner & Most Creative Campsite
- 4:00 Other Prizes and Games
- 5:00 Early morning Pancake Breakfast
- 6:30 Last Walk & Closing Ceremony
- 7:00 2008 Lynn County Relay for Life Ends

All activities will be at the Tahoka High School Football Field



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THS Band Boosters & 1st Methodist Church will have concession stands open!

T-Shirts and other items for sale too!

Tilda Carrasco will be giving MASSAGES!

RELAY FOR LIFE

American Cancer Society

A Team Event to Fight Cancer

ALL PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

New Home Baptist Youth Offer Breakfast/Auction

The New Home Baptist Church Youth Group is hosting a pancake breakfast and auction this Saturday, April 19, as a fundraiser for church camp this summer.

"If you would like to purchase a youth for the day to perform odd jobs around the house or farm please come and bid on them!" stated a sponsor.

The breakfast begins at 8 a.m. and the auction will start at 9 a.m. at the New Home Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. There will be a \$3 charge for the breakfast.

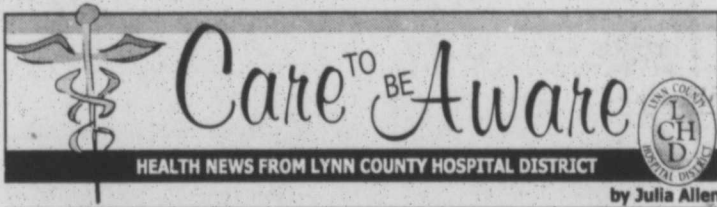
STORK REPORT

Levi and Nicole (Green) Hasteley of Plainview announce the birth of their son, Elijah Stephen Hasteley, born April 10, 2008 at 1:11 p.m. at Mangold Memorial Hospital in Lockney. He weighed 6 lbs., 4-1/2 oz. and was 20 inches long.

Grandparents are Rickey and Jackie Green, formerly of Tahoka, and Steve and Carolyn Hasteley, all of Plainview. Great-Grandparents are Nelta Green, Maurice and Loretta Hasteley, all of Plainview, and Betty Bearden of Matador.

Bobby Ramon and Misty Torres announce the birth of their daughter, Kylee Brooke Ramon, born April 7, 2008 at 11:14 a.m. at UMC in Lubbock. She weighed 7 lbs. 15 oz. and was 20-1/4 inches long. She has two sisters, Kymberli-Alyssa and Kaitlynn M'Kenzi Ramon.

Grandparents are Carl and Josie Beard of Tahoka and Jaime and Lupe Garcia of Ralls. Great-Grandparents are Santiago Torres and the late Dora Torres of Slaton, and Josephine Payan of Ralls.



BUCKLE UP YOUR CHILDREN!

In the past several months I have noticed an alarming trend around our town. I'm not sure if it's a new trend or just one I hadn't noticed until it hit me personally. I have seen more and more people driving around with their young children or grandchildren unrestrained in the front or back seat of the car/truck.

First let me remind you of the Texas Law- If a child is both less than five years old and less than 36 inches in height, they are legally required to be in a car seat or booster seat. Although there is no law that prevents youngsters from sitting in the front seat of a vehicle, the safest place for a child in a car is in a rear seat, properly buckled into a child safety seat or a booster seat.

Air bags don't replace child safety seats and may increase the risk of serious injury to children. Children younger than 13 should never ride in the front seats of vehicles with active passenger air bags.

Let us all repeat this saying "Car seats are cheaper than Caskets." The average price of a child's car seat is around \$75. The average casket for your child will cost between \$400 and \$1000 depending on the size of your child. Is your child or grand-

child worth \$75?

I have also heard the argument that "I'm just going around the corner, in this small town." Great justification but here's an example. There is a stop sign one block from my house that I have personally had to slam on my brakes several times at as the driver going east and west has run that stop sign. Right here in Tahoka. Thank goodness my child was restrained in the back seat. The other drivers never even slow down.

Another argument is that my child hates to be buckled and I just don't want the hassle or to listen to them crying. This has happened to me. I tell my child that I am the Mommy (the parent) and that it is my responsibility to see to her safety and that I love her too much to take a risk with her precious life. Parents just need to be parents. And grandparents need to be grandparents.

The last argument I hear is that it just takes too much time to buckle them all up. Yes it is tedious some times when I'm in a hurry. But, I timed myself this past week. It took me around 45 seconds to buckle up my child. I would leave you with this one question.

Is 45 seconds worth a lifetime of regret to you?

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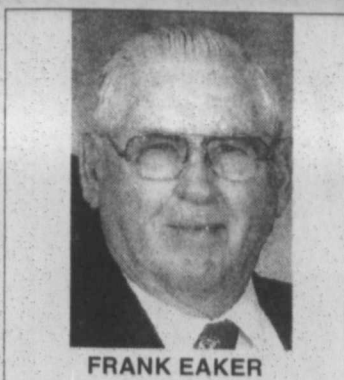
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OBITUARIES



FRANK EAKER

John Frank Eaker

Services for John Frank Eaker, 69, of Tahoka were held on Tuesday, April 15 at 2:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in O'Donnell with Scott Hensley and Vernon Baker officiating. Burial was in the O'Donnell Cemetery.

Eaker died on Sunday April 13, 2008 at University Medical Center in Lubbock.

He was born on June 30, 1938 in O'Donnell, Texas to John and Pauline Eaker. He married Pat Hammit on January 18, 2000 in Colorado City.

Eaker was a lifelong Baptist and attended First Baptist Church of O'Donnell, and he was a retired mechanic. He was a member of the Masonic lodge beginning with the Blue Lodge, Scottish Rite, Chapter #463, Council #378, Permian Conclave Red Cross of Constantine, Commandery #31, West Texas York Rite College #36, Libertas Council #83 Knight Masons, Allied Masonic Degrees United States of America and Masonic Order of the Bath.

He was preceded in death by a son, James Ricky Eaker, in 1957.

Survivors include his wife, Pat Eaker of Tahoka; two daughters, Jean Hopkins and husband John, and Sue West and husband Larkin, all of Snyder; a sister, Joan Knox and husband Leighton of Tahoka; and two grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Tahoka Masonic Lodge 1041 or charity of your choice.



BESS SCOTT HARDBERGER

Bess Scott Hardberger

Bess Scott Hardberger passed away on Wednesday, April 9, 2008 in San Antonio at the age of 94 of natural causes. Her life was full and long, and she was surrounded by loved ones at her death.

Services were held on Saturday, April 12, at 10 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in O'Donnell under the direction of White Funeral Home of Tahoka.

Friends and family remembered Mrs. Hardberger as a warm-spirited woman who dearly loved her family, nature and the church. "She was the single most cheerful person I've ever known," said Phil Hardberger, her son and the Mayor of San Antonio. "She loved the trees and flowers here in San

Antonio and always had a positive spirit."

Mrs. Hardberger was born on Dec. 22, 1913 in Burnet County. Baptized into the church at age 9, she remained a faithful church member throughout her life. She married Homer Reeves Hardberger on Oct. 15, 1933 in Morton, Texas at age 19. After bearing a son, Phillip Duane Hardberger, the family moved to O'Donnell in 1943. The Hardbergers gave birth to a daughter, Jan, in 1945 in Lamesa. Six years later, Mrs. Hardberger began teaching. She taught third grade for 33 years, while working her way through college. She graduated from Texas Tech University in 1955, the same year her son graduated from Baylor University.

Mrs. Hardberger was active in the First Baptist Church of O'Donnell for more than 60 years. She was a founding member of the 1946 Study Club of O'Donnell, a civic organization for women, and was granted a lifetime membership. Elaine Pearson, a dear family friend from O'Donnell, said Bess Hardberger was like a mother to her. "I lost my mother years ago and she really filled a need for me since my mother was not here," said Pearson, who went to school with Phil Hardberger. "Everybody in town loved Bess and there will certainly be a void now." Pearson said the two words that truly describe Bess Hardberger are "optimistic" and "dedicated." "What she said she would do, she would do," Pearson said. "She always went the extra mile."

Mrs. Hardberger was preceded in death by her husband, who passed away in 1986. They were married for 52 years. Mrs. Hardberger will be buried in O'Donnell alongside her husband. Mrs. Hardberger is survived by her son, Phil Hardberger and daughter, Jan Hardberger Peranteau; grandchildren Kim Moser, Amy Hardberger and Jarad Peranteau; step-granddaughter Rebecca Soto and great-grandchildren Austin Jones and Tori Jones.

The family asks that memorials be sent in honor of Bess Hardberger to either of the following locations: First Baptist Church of O'Donnell, 701 Standefer, O'Donnell, Texas 79351; or the 1946 Study Club, c/o Elaine Pearson, 607 N. Highway 87, O'Donnell, Texas 79351. (PAID)

Senior Citizens MENU

April 21-25

Monday: Hotdogs w/ chili, tater tots, baked beans, cinnamon applesauce

Tuesday: Tuna & Pasta casserole, sweet peas, tossed salad, homemade rolls, cookie

Wednesday: Lemon chicken, macaroni salad, coleslaw, homemade rolls, banana pudding

Thursday: Hot turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes, steamed carrots, cranberry sauce, German chocolate cake

Friday: Chicken pot pie, harvest beets, orange slices, apple pie



GILBERT GANDY

William Gilbert Gandy

Celebration of Life Services for William Gilbert Gandy, 90, of Tahoka, were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 15 at Sweet Street Baptist Church in Tahoka with Rev. Lynn Long officiating. Interment followed in Nevels Memorial Cemetery in Tahoka, under the direction of White Funeral Home of Tahoka.

Gilbert Gandy departed this life on April 9, 2008. He was born August 3, 1917 in Mill County, TX to Lawrence William and Minnie Lee James Gandy. Gilbert began farming in 1942 and continued to live on the farm and work his land until his death. Gilbert enjoyed working and spending time with his family. He attended school in Graham Chapel where he graduated in 1932. He married Sinah B. Hinkle, August 6, 1939 in Lamesa. She preceded him in death in 1998. Gilbert then married Lorraine Fite July 20, 2001 and she preceded him in death in 2007. Gandy moved to Lynn County in 1926 from Mullin, Texas. He was a member of Sweet Street Baptist Church.

Those left to cherish his memory are three daughters, Joanne Hammonds and husband Edgar, Geanne Forsythe and husband Jerry, Gilda Taylor and husband Mike, all of Tahoka; eight grandchildren: Brad Hammonds, Jana Jennings, Mitch Hammonds, Marty Hammonds, Jeff Forsythe, Jay Forsythe, Monica Stephens, and Matt Taylor; 18 great-grandchildren: Kasele Hammonds, Jaci Hammonds, Jeni Hammonds, Beau Byerly, Brit Byerly, Russ Byerly, Zach Jennings, Swade Hammonds, Olivia Hammonds, Preston Hammonds, Hannah Hammonds, Kaylyn Forsythe, Kody Forsythe, Justin Forsythe, McKenzie Forsythe, Jaxon Forsythe, Derek Stephens, and Jacob Stephens; and one great-granddaughter, Taylor Stephens.

He was preceded in death by Sinah B. and Lorraine Fite; his parents; five brothers, and two sisters.

Memorials may be made to the Sweet Street Baptist Church at P.O. Box 751; Tahoka, Texas 79373 or to a favorite charity. (PAID)

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Writing Contest Winners ... These Tahoka students participated in the Phebe K. Warner Short Story or Poem contests. They are the first place winners for this district. From left are Klynn McCleskey, 3rd grade; Shelby Meeks, 1st grade; Dolores Short, coordinator; Starr Hager, 6th grade; Chance Cook, 8th grade; Jackson Harbison, 5th grade; and Kenzie Angeley, 9th grade. Not pictured are Josh Freitag, 12th grade; and Jynna Askew, 10th grade.

Mayor Signs Cancer Awareness Proclamation

Tahoka City Council met in routine session Monday night, with Mayor Mike Mensch signing a proclamation designating 2008 as "Colorectal Cancer Awareness and Prevention Year." Margaret Vugrin, representing the Lubbock Colon Cancer Prevention Task Force, made a presentation to the council and provided information and pamphlets on the issue that will be made available at Tahoka City Hall.

In other business, the council voted to cancel the District 4 council seat election due to an unopposed candidate, with incumbent Jeff Martin unopposed in his bid for reelection. The election for two other council seats, which are contested races, will be held on May 10, with the At-Large District 5 incumbent Ray Box challenged by Daniel Harper, and District 2 incumbent Clara Calvillo challenged by Bianca Baker.

No action was taken on discussion regarding the possibility of a cost-share plan with the county regarding the new city landfill, and council members discussed possible agenda items for an upcoming joint meeting with the other taxing entities in the county.

Raymond Vega presented a report on public utilities, and Hipolito Zuniga reported on the Police Dept. activities.

Mayor Mike Mensch led the meeting, with council members Rudy Fuentes, Amy Preston, Jeff Martin and Ray Box present, as well as City Administrator Jerry Webster, and city attorney Cal Huffaker. Councilwoman Clara Calvillo was absent from the meeting.

Tahoka Boys Win District Tennis Doubles Titles

By Britt Wuensche

THS Annual Staff

Several individual and doubles tennis teams competed at District Tennis in Slaton April 8-9. Both Tahoka boys doubles teams will advance to Regional in Abilene on April 23-24. While taking the gold and silver medals home, they also managed to bring home the first place plaque for the boys division.

Josh Freitag and Britt Wuensche brought home the gold medals after defeating Romero and Gutierrez from Denver City 6-0, 6-0 in the first round and Wilson and Miller of Post 5-7, 6-3, 7-5, and McKay and DeLeon of Tahoka in the championship match.

Levi McKay and Alex DeLeon brought home silver medals after beating Williams

and Chaves of Roosevelt 6-0, 6-2 in the first round and Williams and Pesina of Denver City 3-6, 6-4, 6-2 in the second round.

They were defeated by Josh Freitag and Britt Wuensche of Tahoka in the Championship 6-4, 6-3.

In the J.V. Boys singles division, Antonio Baker lost in the first round to Will Perkins of Idalou 5-8. Shon Overton lost in the first round to Victor Tolentino of Slaton 8-9.

In the varsity girls singles division, Skylar McCleskey lost in the first round to Caytie Armacost of Idalou 3-6, 2-6.

In the mixed doubles division, Kenzie Angeley and Tanner Hall lost in the first round to the district champions, Tipton and Fuqua of Denver City, 0-6, 0-6.

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Please remember that students who register for Kindergarten must be five years old by September 1, 2008. Students who are already in the current Pre-Kindergarten program do not have to attend this registration.

It is critical that everyone in the Tahoka ISD come to the pre-registration or call the Elementary Office at 561-4350.

We're proud of our exceptional Bulldogs at Tahoka High School!

*The Tradition continues ...
6th Consecutive Sweepstakes*

The THS Band earned a superior "1" in all three UIL Contests (Marching, Concert & Sight-reading) for the 6th consecutive year.

Taylor Abell
Nadine Aguirre
Virginia Aleman
Kenzie Angeley
Jessica Arriazola
Antonio Baker
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Melanie Beard
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Kristin Box
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Kaitlyn Reno
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Billy Saldana
Demi Salinas
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Rico Sanchez
Felicia Sandobal
Beth Shuey
David Spruiell
Monica Strickland
Matt Taylor
Sarah Tello
D. J. Torrez
A'Leesha Truelove
Marissa Villegas
Alex Webster
Patrick Wells
Jacob Wright
Xavier Zamarron
Sarah Zuniga



LEGENDARY: The 07-08 Tahoka 3-D Band
Outstanding 2-A Band - Tumbleweed Festival
Straight 1's in Marching, Concert, Sightreading
State Marching Contest - Decade of Superiors in Concert
Sixth Consecutive Sweepstakes

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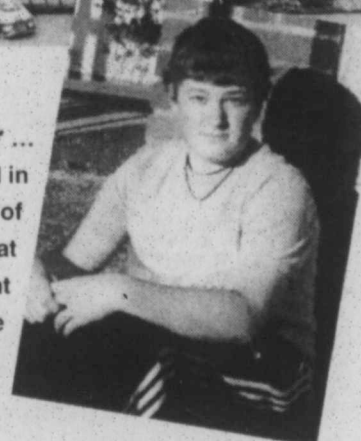
Regional Tennis Qualifiers ...

Pictured from left to right are Boys Doubles District Tennis Champions Britt Wuensche and Josh Freitag, and the Boys Doubles District Tennis Runner Up team, Alex DeLeon and Levi McKay. These Tahoka boys won the 4-AA District Team Title at The Falls indoor courts in Lubbock on April 9th. Both teams advance to the AA Tennis Regionals at Abilene on April 23-24.



Regional Golf Qualifier ...

Matt Taylor placed 2nd in District Golf with scores of 79-80 and will compete at Regionals April 21-22 at Shady Oaks Golf Course in Baird, Texas.



Awesome!



Regional Track Qualifiers ...

These students qualified for regionals in their events at the District track meet held recently. Pictured left to right, at top, are Ty Cloe (Shot Put); Mitchell Chapa (400m & 1600m Relay, 400m Dash); Britt Wuensche (400m, 800m and 1600m Relays); Shon Overton (100m Dash); Xavier Zamarron (400m, 800m & 1600m Relays); Antonio Baker (800m Relay); Adrian Webster (800m Dash, 1600m Run); and Raymond Hernandez (400m, 800m & 1600m Relays). In front are Samantha Pridmore (High Jump); Nikki Box (3200m Run); and Meagan Hall (800m Run). Track regionals will be held April 25-26 at Abilene Christian University campus.



Regional Academic Winner ...

Kristin Box placed 4th at UIL Regionals in Literary Criticism and qualified as an alternate at State.



State Piano Qualifiers ...

Patrick Wells and Kristin Box both earned 1's at the Regional UIL Solo & Ensemble Contest recently and qualified to compete at the State contest, which will be held May 24 in San Marcus.



Tahoka Team Advances to State ... The Tahoka FFA Horse Judging Team competed at the Area II Contest last Saturday. The team consisted of Willie Vest, Graham Henley, Kaleb Collins and Jordan Newsom. Willie Vest was honored with seventh high individual and Graham Henley was twelfth high individual out of over 100 students that competed. There were a total of 30 teams and of those 15% advance to state. Tahoka was fifth place which earned them a spot at the State Contest that will be held this Saturday in Lubbock. This is the first time in six years that a judging team from Tahoka has made it to a state judging contest.

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NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION
(AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)

To the Registered Voters of **Tahoka I.S.D.**, Tahoka, Texas:
(A los votantes registrados del **Tahoka I.S.D.**, Tahoka, Texas.)
Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 10, 2008, for voting in a general election to elect Precinct 3 and 4 School Trustees.
(Notifíquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 10 de Mayo de 2008 para votar en La Elección General para elegir Administrador En-Grande Del Tablero De la Escuela Dos.)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES:
(DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES:)
Life Enrichment Center, 1717 Main Street, Tahoka, Texas
(Centro Del Enriquecimiento De la Vida, Calle de 1717 Canerias, Tahoka, Texas.)

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at (La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en)
Susan Tipton - Lynn County Clerk Office, Lynn County Courthouse, Courthouse Square, Tahoka, Texas, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 28, 2008 (entre las 8:30 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el 28 de Abril 2008) and ending on May 6, 2008. (y terminando el 6 de Mayo, 2008.)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a:)
Susan Tipton - Early Voting clerk, P.O. Box 937, Tahoka, Texas 79373.
Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on May 2, 2008.
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el 2 de Mayo, 2008.)

Issued this 7th day of February 2008.
(Emitada este día 7 de Febrero, 2008.)
/s/ Math Bartley, Presiding Officer (Oficial que Preside)
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(AVISO DE ELECCION ESPECIAL)

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(A los votantes registrados del **O'Donnell I.S.D.**, O'Donnell, Texas.)
Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 10, 2008, for voting in a special election to fill an unexpired term of School Trustee.
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LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES:
(DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES:)
O'Donnell I.S.D. High School Commons Area
400 Small Street, O'Donnell, Texas 79351

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at (La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en)
O'Donnell I.S.D. Administration Office, 501 5th Street, O'Donnell, Texas 79351 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. beginning on April 28, 2008 (entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 4:30 de la tarde empezando el 28 de Abril, 2008) and ending on May 6, 2008. (y terminando el 6 de Mayo, 2008.)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a:)
Terri Bessire, P.O. Box 487, O'Donnell, TX 79351.
Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on May 2, 2008.
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Issued
this 14th day of April 2008.
(Emitada este día 14 de Abril, 2008.)
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(AVISO DE ELECCION SCHOOL TRUSTEE)

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(A los votantes registrados del **O'Donnell I.S.D.**, O'Donnell, Texas.)
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Auction does well ... A good crowd turned out for the Fun/Food Festival held Friday night at the county showbarn, with the evening's event predicted to raise a record amount for Lynn County Hospital District. The tally early this week had already surpassed last year's record-setting \$23,000 but a final amount has not yet been released. In this picture, spotters Greg Henley and Jimmy Parker watch the crowd for bidders. Seated near the back of the crowd were Joe and Linda Heflin of Crosbyton. Heflin is State Representative for District 85, which includes Lynn County. Also spotted in the crowd was 106th District Judge Carter Schildknecht of Lamesa, who presides over District Court in Lynn County. (LCN PHOTO)

Book Sale
Planned At
Local Library

The City-County Library in Tahoka will be holding a book sale April 21-26 in the small classroom at the Life Enrichment Center, located at 1717 Main Street.

The sale will take place during regular library hours, which are Monday-Friday: 9a.m.-1p.m. and 2p.m.-6p.m.; and Saturday 9a.m.-noon. Prices will range from 25¢ to \$5 per item. Most paperbacks will be 25¢ and most hardbacks are \$1. There will also be some "better books" that will be priced as marked but will still be below used book store prices, according to Guin.

Tahoka
SCHOOL MENU

April 21-25

Monday: Muffin
Tuesday: Sausage biscuit.
Wednesday: Donut
Thursday: Pancake on a stick
Friday: Cereal w/ graham cracker
Lunch
Monday: Hamburger, baked beans, baby carrots, crispy cereal treat
Tuesday: Chicken fajitas, refried beans, corn, orange smiles, chocolate pudding cup
Wednesday: Pigs in a blanket, pinto beans, baked chips, pineapple orange salad
Thursday: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, strawberry short cake
Friday: Meat and bean chalupa, Spanish rice, rosy applesauce

New Home
SCHOOL MENU

April 21-25

Monday: Waffles
Tuesday: Rice Krispie Bars
Wednesday: Honeybun
Thursday: Biscuit/sausage
Friday: Cinnamon roll
Lunch
Monday: Chicken fried steak sandwich, pickle slices, hash brown sticks, mixed fruit cup
Tuesday: Frito pie, pinto beans, cornbread, peach cup
Wednesday: Sandwich bar, baby carrots, fresh apple, juice bar, frozen pop
Thursday: Chicken fajitas, cheese cup, pineapple tidbits
Friday: Hamburger/ cheeseburger, trimmings, French fries, cookie

Wilson
SCHOOL MENU

April 21-25

Monday: Eggs, sausage & toast
Tuesday: Biscuits, gravy
Wednesday: Breakfast Pizza
Thursday: Sausage & toast
Friday: Cinnamon rolls
Lunch
Monday: BBQ on a bun, tater tots, corn cobette, fruit
Tuesday: Frito pie, pinto beans, cornbread salad, fruit
Wednesday: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans
Thursday: Corn dog, fries, fresh broccoli w/ ranch, crispy cereal treat
Friday: Hot pocket, salad, corn, fruit & ice cream

A DECADE OF EXCELLENCE

Tahoka 3-D Band Brings Home
Sixth Consecutive Sweepstakes

The Tahoka High School 3-D Band continues to make a name for itself throughout the region, bringing home high marks from every contest. Last week was no exception, as the THS Band earned their sixth consecutive Sweepstakes after getting superior ratings from every judge at the Concert and Sightreading Contest.

The 67-member Tahoka 3-D Band competed last Thursday at Sudan High School, at the Region 16 UIL Concert and Sightreading Contest, turning straight I's from every single judge. This combined with the straight I's they earned at marching contest earlier this year resulted in the THS 3-D Band being awarded a large Sweepstakes, their sixth consecutive one. In addition, they have now earned a decade of I's in Concert and nine years in Sightreading.

"This is truly an amazing feat. Although some 2A's in Region 16 have had longer runs of consecutive sweepstakes, none currently have as long a streak as Tahoka, which is a wonderful compliment to the young ladies and gentlemen who make up the 3-D Band, for though they are competing against 2A's, in all reality Tahoka is already a 1A in size," said Director Carroll Rhodes.

The 3-D Band performed William Owens' "Tahoka Galop," which was written ex-

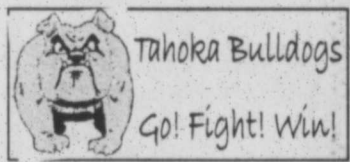
pressly for the Tahoka 3-D Band back in 2004. It has literally been played all over the United States by both public schools and colleges. The contest judges comments on the 3-D's performance of the march were: "Wow! Great Job. Wonderful sonority. March was really well done - band gets a great band sound - I really enjoyed it."

The second piece was Strommen's Cumberland Cross and the judges remarked, "Very musical - Band plays with great tone and clarity - very good pitch center - good start - nice sound - good balance - good style."
The final composition was Balmages' "Moscow, 1941" and the judges commented: "You have a really good, controlled sound - well balanced - Wow! Hard to find problems. Outstanding Band! Moscow is a very pretty piece - you did an exceptional job - the percussion were good - this is a very TASTY Band - you play with great enthusiasm."

Directors Carroll Rhodes

and Johnathan Smith stated, "We are extremely proud of these outstanding young people and the performance they gave last Thursday. They truly made music and were a joy to conduct. The judges' comments are the very best that we have ever received. This 07-08 Tahoka 3-D Band is truly one of the premier bands in the history of Tahoka, if not the best."

One of the judges summed it up like this: "I've heard the Tahoka band many times and each band was better than the previous one. You have certainly improved! This is an outstanding band today! I'm really impressed with you and your directors. Keep up the outstanding tradition that you have. Congrats to all of you. In TAKS metaphors, you are EX-EMPLARY!"



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Wilson Major Boys Win Area Championship

The Wilson Little Dribbler Major Boys, 5th and 6th grade Mustangs basketball team recently completed an undefeated championship season in the Slaton Junior League. This year's team members included Adrian Ramirez, Jeffrey Goodman, Albert Borrayo, Dillon Trevino, Dillon Gonzales, Cedric Aguirre, Alfredo Rodriguez, Roman Parmer and Ray Parmer. The 5th and 6th grade boys were coached by Billy Parmer and Anthony Villareal.

The Mustangs went 10-0 against several excellent teams from the Slaton Area. The Mustangs began the season by defeating the Lakers 28-10. In this first game of the year, Ray Parmer led all scorers with 18 points. Roman Parmer added 10 points and Cedric Aguirre closed out the offensive efforts with 4 points. Wilson then came out ahead against a very talented Suns team by the score of 35-30. The Mustangs then outscored the Rockets 21-15 and beat the Suns 42-40 in an exciting battle that was played well by both teams. Ray Parmer scored 17 points and added 17 rebounds, Albert Borrayo scored 11 points, Roman Parmer added 9 points (including 7 in the crucial 4th Quarter), Cedric put in 7 points, and Dillon G., Dillon T., Alfredo, Jeffrey, and Adrian added tremendous defensive play and teamwork to help in the win. The Mustangs finished the first half of the league play by winning over the Heat by a score of 33-19.

In the second half of league

play, the Mustangs began by winning over a good Celtics team 44-19. Ray Parmer led all scorers with 18, Albert Borrayo had 16, Roman Parmer added 6 points and 10 assists, and Cedric and Dillon T. added 2 points apiece. The Mustangs then beat the Celtics 34-17 in a quick rematch later in the week. The Mustangs then recorded their eighth straight win of the season against the Lakers by a 35 to 11 margin. Wilson closed out the regular season with a 28-26 win over the Heat and a 31-23 win over the Rockets.

"We had an awesome year and I am proud of each one of these young men," said Coach Billy Parmer. "I want to thank the parents and guardians of these kids that supported us during the season. We also had some people that want to remain anonymous that really stepped up and contributed to making this year possible for these 5th and 6th graders. Thanks to Wilson ISD for sharing their facilities and to Melissa Mendez and Angelique Frausto for all of the time and work they put in to run the Wilson Little Dribbler program. We appreciate the Slaton Junior League officers, coaches, and officials allowing us to participate in their basketball league this year."

City of Tahoka info:
... from City Hall

Water Meters - Over the years we have had received numerous inquiries about whether the meter readers actually read the water meters every month, or if they just guess or estimate. They actually read each and every one. I'm not saying they don't make mistakes. Sometimes a number is reversed or inserted in the wrong place. But, that is to be expected, because we are all human.

The meter reader does not take the time each month to dig the sand out of each and every meter box out, as that would be a waste of taxpayer dollars. But they wipe enough sand and dirt off the face to see the dial numbers and write the numbers down on the meter reading sheet. And, since the meter box is not a sealed unit, and this is West Texas, an hour later the sand has blown back over the face.

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Livestock Team Advances to State ... Pictured here is the New Home High School livestock team, comprised of Corey Smith, Heath Link, Trevor White, and Jordan Clem. The team finished a very successful year placing in the top two at every contest this year. This weekend they competed at the state qualifying meet at Texas Tech where they finished 1st overall and advanced to state. Corey Smith tied for 1st high individual, Trevor White was 7th high individual, and Jordan Clem was 9th high individual.

Commissioners Approve New County "Order"

Lynn County Commissioners met Monday morning, with three of four commissioners present, and adopted an "Order for Unincorporated Areas of Lynn County" regarding the licensing and regulation of sexually-oriented businesses. Although county officials say they are not aware of any such potential businesses interested in coming into Lynn County, the decision was made to be pro-active regarding that possibility and instructed County Attorney Donnis Scott to draft an order that would address the issue. Mrs. Scott researched the issue and presented a document that included verbiage from other counties who had drafted similar orders. Commissioners also included "any needed future amendments" in the order.

Mrs. Scott also presented information to the court on her recent trip to Austin for a wind energy meeting, representing

Lynn County. She explained there would be no second round and Lynn County was not included in the first round of selections.

Several agenda items were tabled until all four commissioners could be present, including reporting of new roads for the Regional 9-1-1 system, the sale of county property in O'Donnell, consideration of a burial policy for indigents, and consideration of a resolution supporting wind energy in West Texas.

Bonds for county employees were approved, and monthly bills approved for payment. Sheriff Jerry D. Franklin reported on his department's activities.

Commissioners Don Blair, Mike Braddock and Kieth Wied were present for the meeting led by County Judge H.G. Franklin. Commissioner Brad Hammonds was absent.

Private Pesticide Applicator License Testing Set Apr. 24

Private Pesticide Applicator License testing will be held Thursday, April 24 at The Center For Housing & Community Development (1400 Ave. K) in Tahoka. Training for the license will begin at 8:00 a.m. followed by a Noon lunch break. Testing will begin at 1:00 p.m.

All persons attending must register by Monday, April 21 by calling their County Extension Office.

The NEW HOME News

Cheerleaders Named
The New Home Leopard Varsity Cheerleaders for 2008-2009 are: Mikaela Wallace, Senior; Ashley West, Senior; Whitney Decker, Senior; Nichole Taylor, Senior; Steelie Feaster, Sophomore; Raegan Harrell, Freshman.

The New Home Leopard Mascot will be Kali Gonzales, Senior.

Pool Party Celebration
New Home 3rd grade students celebrated 100 percent passing the TAKS test with a special pool party at Mrs. Bruton's pool on April 15. Mrs. Bruton is the Reading Specialist for New Home ISD, and Mrs. Denna Ballard is the Third Grade Classroom teacher.

Prom Held

The New Home Junior Class honored the Senior Class of 2008 with the Prom on Saturday, April 12. The Prom was held in Slaton at the St. Joseph's Hall decorated in the theme "Black Tie Affair". Junior Class Sponsor, Mark Wilson, and his wife Ida prepared the meal of Prime Rib, Baked Potatoes, Salad, Rolls, and Cheesecake for the honorees and guests and Junior and Senior class members. Special guests were the New Home ISD faculty and school board members. A special video was prepared and shown following the meal. The guests could then dance to their favorite music or visit the game area set-up on the patio. Pictures were taken by the New Home ISD Math teacher, Trina Brumley.

The Junior Class would like to thank everyone that helped to prepare the prom for a successful evening, and to those that helped to stay and clean-up!

Toy Collection

New Home smaCd members will be collecting new summer toys for the Children's Home of Lubbock at their day long Leadership Camp on May 15, but anyone interested in providing a toy for the members of the Home can bring a new toy to Mrs. Durham's office and place it in the special box that is provided. smaCd will continue with their candle sales until April 23 to help with the day long Leadership Camp! Call Mrs. Durham if you would like to place an order, 924-7524 ext. 26.

Letter To The Editor

Hefflin Invites Attendance At Wind Energy Meeting

Dear Citizens of House District 85:

I am writing urging you to support the development of wind energy in House District 85 and West Texas. A formal hearing of the Texas House of Representatives Committee on Regulated Industries will be held on, Thursday, April 24, 2008, at 9 a.m. The meeting is to be held at the Region 16 Education Service Center, Panhandle Conference Center, located at 5800 Bell Street, Amarillo, TX.

The purpose of the hearing is to discuss wind energy and transmission lines. The development of wind energy is very important for the residents of House District 85 and all of West Texas. I encourage you, if possible, to spend the day at the committee meeting. It will give you first hand knowledge of the process as it unfolds.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call my district office at 806-675-1583. I hope to see you in Amarillo.

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State Representative,
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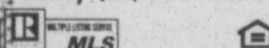
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Two Resign At Tahoka ISD

Superintendent Jimmy Parker reported two staff resignations at the Tahoka Independent School District Board of Trustees meeting held last Thursday, April 10. Craig Harris, a teacher/coach, submitted his resignation effective at the end of the school year, and Gloria DeLeon, an aide at the elementary campus, will retire at the end of the school year.

In other business, trustees moved the May 2 bad-weather day scheduled for 2008 to May 9, 2008 due to scheduling conflicts with TAKS testing dates. Trustees also cancelled one of the trustee seat elections due to the incumbent candidate having no opposition in the election for the At-Large seat on the board of trustees. John Hawthorne is unopposed in his bid for re-election to the one-year unexpired term. Two other seats on the board, for

Place 3 and Place 4, will have contested elections that will be held on May 10. Incumbent Frank McLelland faces challenger Starrlyn Knox Bray for Place 4, and Jimmie Bingham and Mike Rivas are seeking the Place 3 seat on the board, currently held by Math Bartley, who is not seeking reelection. Both are three-year terms.

Trustees met in closed session regarding personnel from 7:50-8:30 during the meeting, but took no action upon returning to open session, and the meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Six of seven trustees were present for the meeting, with trustee Kent Kahl absent. Present were Board President Math Bartley, Joe Calvillo, John Hawthorne, Jimmy Dorman, Frank McLelland and Tony Garcia.



Protective gear ... A Tahoka volunteer fireman is shown here at the Resendez home fire Sunday evening, wearing protective gear to safeguard against smoke fumes. Firemen remained at the scene for about seven hours.

(LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

Fire ...

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cials also provided assistance in cutting off electricity to the house shortly after the alarm was heard. Firefighters remained on scene from 6:45 until about 2 a.m. to contain the blaze.

"We believe that the fire probably started in the attic, and by the time the family noticed smoke it was probably well underway," said Sanders. "It is very fortunate that no one was injured. Within 10 minutes after the fire department arrived, the roof had already caved in on the house," he added.

The home is located on the south edge of Tahoka, and there are no immediately adjacent houses but one neighbor's home was about a hundred feet away to the north, with a vacant lot in between. Fortunately, the wind had died down from earlier in the day, and was blowing away from the neighboring house. However, there is a gully with lots of dry brush that backs up to the property, and the fire chief said they were extremely lucky to be able to keep the fire from spreading.

"We were very fortunate that the wind was not blowing any harder than it was," said the Fire Chief, who immediately directed water hoses towards both the house and the dry brush at the back of the property, to keep the fire from spreading. "When the roof collapsed it basically held the fire down inside the house, and we were able to keep it from spreading to the dry brush behind the house," said Sanders. Flames consumed the home, however, and firemen were able only to prevent it from spreading.

The children who lived in the home all attend Tahoka ISD, and by Monday word had spread that the family needed clothing and other items. A donation box has been set up in the pre-kindergar-

ten foyer at Tahoka Elementary for clothing/items, and a list of clothing sizes needed are included here. The couple, Marcelo and Dora Resendez, are guardians of their grandchildren, 5-year-old Destiny Rodriguez and 3-year-old twins Nikole and Nikloe Rodriguez; Dora's niece is Angie Garza, and her children include Chloe Moore, a 1st grader, Marcus Moore, a 3rd grader, and 15-year-old Brittany Garza.

Clothing sizes are: Marcelo Resendez - size 30/32 pants, medium shirt, size 8 shoes; his wife, Dora Resendez, size 12 pants, L or XL shirt, size 7 shoes; 5-year-old Destiny Rodriguez, size 5 clothes, size 9 shoes; 4-year-old Nikole (girl) 3T-4T clothes, size 8 shoes; 3-yr-old Nikloe (boy), 4T-5T clothes, size 8 shoes; niece Angie Garza, size 12 pants, M or L shirts, 8-1/2 shoes; 1st grader Chloe, size 6/7 pants, 7/8 tops, 11-1/2 shoes; 3rd grader Marcus, size 10 pants, 10/12 shirts, size 3 shoes; 15-yr-old Brittany, size 1 pants, Small tops, 4-1/2 shoes.

Financial Peace Classes Begin April 20 In Tahoka

Financial Peace University (FPU), a 13-week program taught by Dave Ramsey, will be held in Tahoka at the Tahoka Church of Christ located at 2320 Lockwood. The classes will begin Sunday, April 20, at 4:00 p.m. Contact Ron Fant at 561-4735 or tcoc@poka.com for more information or to register.

"This life-changing program teaches families and individuals how to handle their money through common-sense principles and small group accountability," said a sponsor. FPU is available for churches, companies, military bases, financial literacy programs, Spanish speaking organizations and community groups.

The program is made up of 13 life-changing lessons taught by Dave in a fun and entertaining way. "I like to put the cookies on the shelf where everyone can reach them," says Ramsey. After each lesson the group meets to help each other plan budgets, discuss successes and temptations, and support each other in their journey to beat debt and build wealth. Topics covered include:

- Saving for emergencies
- Budgeting
- Relationship and money issues
- Buying big bargains
- Getting out of debt
- Understanding investments
- Understanding insurance
- Retirement and college planning
- Buyer beware
- Real estate mortgages
- Careers and extra jobs

Each class participant needs a kit. Special rates are routinely avail-

able online at www.dave Ramsey.com or by calling 888-227-3223. Included in the cost of the kit is a lifetime family membership to FPU, allowing the participant to return to any class at anytime for a refresher course. The kit also includes an FPU workbook, an FPU envelope system, 13 audio lessons, bonus CD, budgeting forms, debit card holders, and Ramsey's best-selling book - *Financial Peace*.

SPCAA Head Start Taking Applications For 08-09 School Year

SPCAA Head Start is taking applications for the 2008-2009 school year on Tuesday April 22, at 1:30 p.m. in the Tahoka ISD Cafeteria. The following documents will be needed when you register: Birth Certificate, current shot record, verification of income (2007 Income tax return or W-2 form) social security card, Medicaid (current month), if applicable, proof of TANF Benefits (cash, WIA, CCS and Transportation Assistance), and/or SSI (Supplemental Security Income). If SSI or Child Support, you will need a schedule of the last 12 months payments from the Attorney General's Office.

For more information call Bennie Nance 998-4123.

NOTICE OF ESTRAY

Case No. 08-03-27-0036

Date: 04/09/08

1. Person reporting estray: Name: Frank McLelland Address: RR5 Box 256, Tahoka, Tx 79373
2. Date estray reported to sheriff: 03/27/08
3. Location of estray when found: 1400 BLK of FM 1328
4. Location of estray while impounded: 1300 BLK of US 380
5. Description of estray: Kind of Animal: Bovine Breed: Charlois Color: White Sex: Male Age: 2 years old Size: 1200 lbs. Brand, Earmark, Identifying Characteristics: Lazy S brand on left hip / Horns 3"

/s/ Jerry D. Franklin

Sheriff of Lynn County, Texas

16-2tc

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)

To the Registered Voters of the City of Wilson, Texas: (A los votantes registrados del Ciudad de Wilson, Texas): Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 10, 2008, for voting in a general election to elect two council members.

(Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 10 de Mayo de 2008 para votar en la Elección General para elegir dos concilio miembros.)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES: (DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES:) Wilson City Hall, 1601 10th St., Wilson, Texas 79381.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at (La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en) Wilson City Hall between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. beginning on April 28, 2008 (entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 3:00 de la tarde empezando el 28 de Abril 2008) and ending on May 6, 2008. (y terminando el 6 de Mayo, 2008.)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a:) Susann Follis, City Secretary, P.O. Box 22, Wilson, Texas 79381. Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on May 2, 2008.

(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el 2 de Mayo, 2008.)

Issued this 17th day of April 2008. (Emitada este día 17 de Abril, 2008.) /s/ Victor Steinhauser, Mayor (Alcalde) 16-1tc

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)

To the Registered Voters of Wilson I.S.D., Wilson, Texas: (A los votantes registrados del Wilson I.S.D., Wilson, Texas): Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 10, 2008, for voting in a regular election to elect School Board Trustees.

(Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 10 de Mayo de 2008 para votar en La Elección regular para elegir de los directores de escuela.)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES: (DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES:) City of Wilson Office (Green Building), Wilson, Texas 79381

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at (La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en) Wilson ISD Central Office, Wilson, Texas 79381 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on April 28, 2008 (entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 4:00 de la tarde empezando el 28 de Abril 2008) and ending on May 6, 2008. (y terminando el 6 de Mayo, 2008.)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a:) Tami Bolyard, P.O. Box 9, Wilson, TX 79381.

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on May 2, 2008.

(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el 2 de Mayo, 2008.)

Issued this 10th day of April 2008. (Emitada este día 14 de Abril, 2008.) /s/ Clyde Wilke, School Board President 16-1tc

LubbockISD Online Summer School For Advancement (2008)

It's easy! ... Go to www.lubbockisd.org/atc/online and REGISTER!

ONLINE REGISTRATION now through Friday, May 2nd

LATE REGISTRATION: Saturday, May 3rd through Monday, May 5th

TUITION: OUT OF DISTRICT STUDENTS: \$200 for each semester course LATE REGISTRATION FEE: \$25 added to each semester course Credit Card payments can be made at time of online registration. All payments must be made before Online Summer School begins.

PROGRAM CONTENT: All work will be completed via the Internet. Students will work from their own home computer accessing their online courses through our Blackboard platform. Most course textbooks are embedded into the course as online textbooks. Students will need Microsoft Word for all courses. The BCIS course requires students to have Microsoft Office XP or later (Word, Excel, Access, and PowerPoint).

COURSES TO BE OFFERED:

- Accounting 1A/B
- BCIS 1A/B (Tech Prep Credit Available)
- Communication Applications
- Economics
- English IV-A/B
- Government
- Health
- Keyboarding
- P.E. (Foundations)
- P.E. (Outdoor/Adventure)
- Psychology
- Swimming (not an online course; will meet at the Aquatic Center)
- Web Mastering 1A/B
- World Geography 1A/B
- World History 1A/B

ONLINE PROGRAM COORDINATOR: Tracy Clenton-Smith LISD-TV (34th & Ave. Q) 806-766-1132 tcclenton@lubbockisd.org



WorkForce Solutions
South Plains

Unemployed Job Seekers: Are you seeking full-time employment?

Do any of these sound like you?

- Terminated, laid off, or told your position is being eliminated?
- Received notice that the plant where you work is closing or that the majority will be laid off?
- Been dependent on a spouse for support, that support is now gone and you have no skills for a job?
- Found out by reading in the newspaper that your workplace is closing within the next 60 days?
- Are you a Youth who needs a job? Summer's around the corner!

If you answered 'Yes' to any of these questions, the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Dislocated Worker Program may be able to offer one-on-one assistance to help you find a job or train you for a new job! Talk to a WorkForce Solutions career counselor for more information.

WorkForce Solutions Business & Career Center Locations

Brownfield	801 Tahoka Rd, 806-637-4234
Levelland	1102 Austin, 806-894-5005
Lubbock	1218 14th Street, 806-765-5038
Littlefield	1700 Hall Avenue, 806-385-7897
Muleshoe	203 Main Street, 806-272-7540
Plainview	1001 N. IH 27, Ste. 228, 806-293-8566

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