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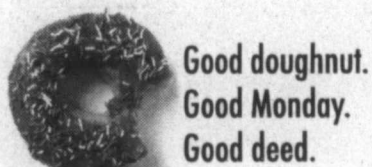
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## Tahoka Rotary Club Dog Dip/Shot Clinic slated this Saturday

The Tahoka Rotary Club Dog Dip and vaccination clinic will be held on Saturday, June 24 from 9:00 a.m. -12 noon at the Tahoka Mini Park. Dr. Brillhart, DVM of Slaton will be administering vaccines.

The following vaccinations will be available: Rabies \$12, Parvo \$30, Kennel Cough \$16, Influenza and Rattlesnake, \$18 each, and tick and flea dip \$5.



Tahoka Donuts (1515 S. 1st) is open MONDAYS in June, with all profits on Mondays donated to the Lynn County Pioneers Senior Citizens Building Fund. This week, Monday's sales amounted to \$342.48, totaling \$1,192.57 thus far! Only one more Monday to go, so remember: **Monday donuts are good for our senior citizens!**



**110° ... Hot!** Officially Tahoka reached 109° Saturday, but this vehicle showed one degree hotter (and needing that Summer Breeze playing on the radio!)

## What's Outside

NWS official readings for Tahoka

| Date    | High | Low | Precip. |
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| June 13 | 97   | 69  |         |
| June 14 | 99   | 69  |         |
| June 15 | 98   | 70  |         |
| June 16 | 99   | 68  | 0.20"   |
| June 17 | 99   | 67  |         |
| June 18 | 109  | 70  | 6.0"    |
| June 19 | 84   | 68  |         |

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

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| Total Precip for Jan:   | 2.51" |
| Total Precip for Feb:   | 1.16" |
| Total Precip for Mar:   | 0.21" |
| Total Precip for Apr:   | 2.88" |
| Total Precip for May:   | 0.10" |
| Total Precip for June:  | 1.06" |
| Total Precip. for 2017: | 7.92" |

## Four plead guilty in criminal cases here

by JUANELL JONES

Four defendants pled guilty to various felony charges in cases heard before Judge Carter Schildknecht in 106th District Court proceedings last Monday, June 12 in Tahoka. Judge Schildknecht assessed sentencing to the following:

- Anthony Silvas, charged with Burglary of a Building on July 30, 2015. He was sentenced to 4 years Community Supervision and ordered to pay court costs, and restitution in the amount of \$5,235 to the owner of Paris-n-Bloom, the building that was burglarized.

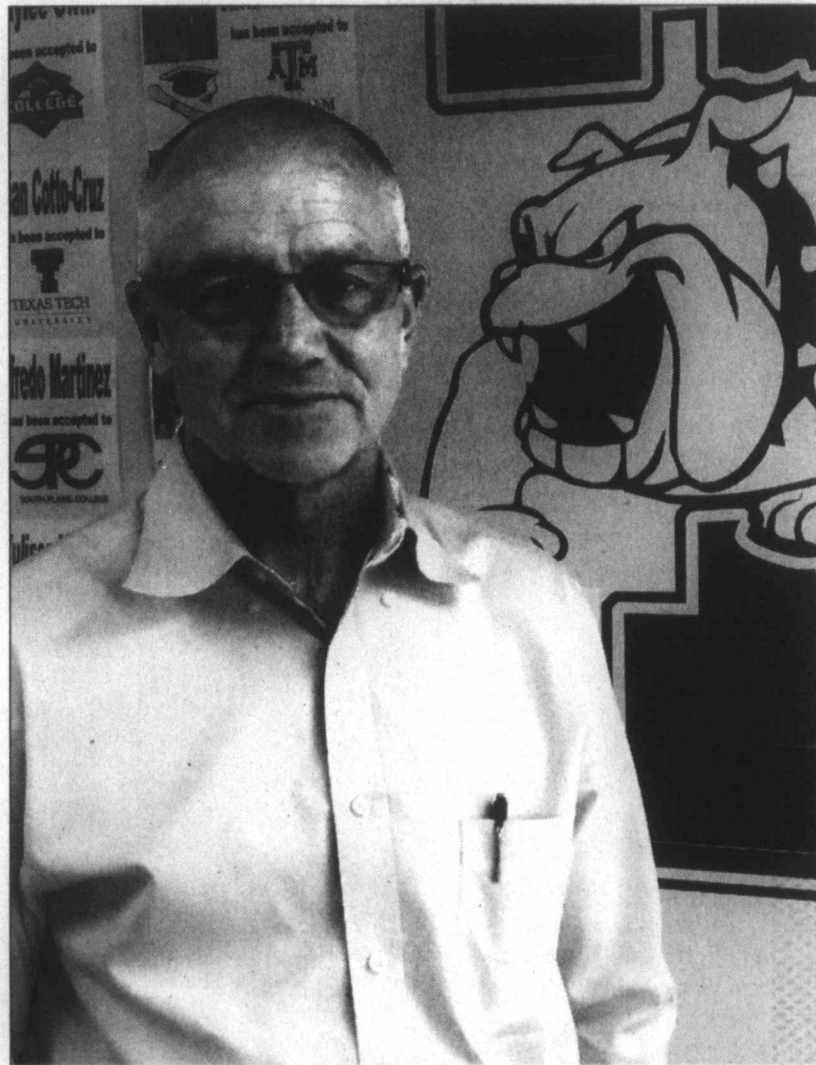
- Jose Andrew Valdez, charged with Driving While Intoxicated on June 15, 2016, Third enhanced to Second degree felony. Sentenced to 10 years in Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) institution and ordered to pay court costs.

- Pedro Yraheta Hernandez, charged with Driving While Intoxicated, Second degree felony, on Jan. 3, 2017. Sentenced to 20 years in TDCJ and ordered to pay court costs.

- Joseph Vega, charged with Evading Arrest on July 19, 2016, Third enhanced to Second degree felony. Sentenced to 9 years in TDCJ and ordered to pay court costs.

Three traffic accidents were investigated during the past week. Last Thursday at 5:50 p.m. a pickup pulling a trailer reportedly hit a slick spot and jackknifed, ending up in the ditch on US 380 about a mile east of FM 1328. No injuries were reported. Another accident occurred that same day at 6:10 p.m. 9 miles south of Tahoka on US 87, when an 18-wheeler rolled onto its side. Antonio Luna, driver, was transported by Lynn County EMS to Lynn

(See TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS, page 4)



**New THS Principal ...** Don Worth has been named Principal of Tahoka High School, in action taken by the TISD Board of Trustees last week. Worth comes to Tahoka from Clayton, NM, where he was high school principal at Clayton Municipal Schools.

## Don Worth named new Principal for THS

The Tahoka ISD Board of Trustees met in a called session on Thursday, June 15, approving a recommendation from Interim Superintendent, Gary Harrell, to employ Don Worth as high school principal. Mr. Worth is currently the high school principal at Clayton Municipal Schools in Clayton, New Mexico.

Worth has worked in several administrative positions (1991-2007), the last six years as high school principal at Seminole ISD, before accepting the position of athletic director of New Mexico Junior College, Hobbs, New

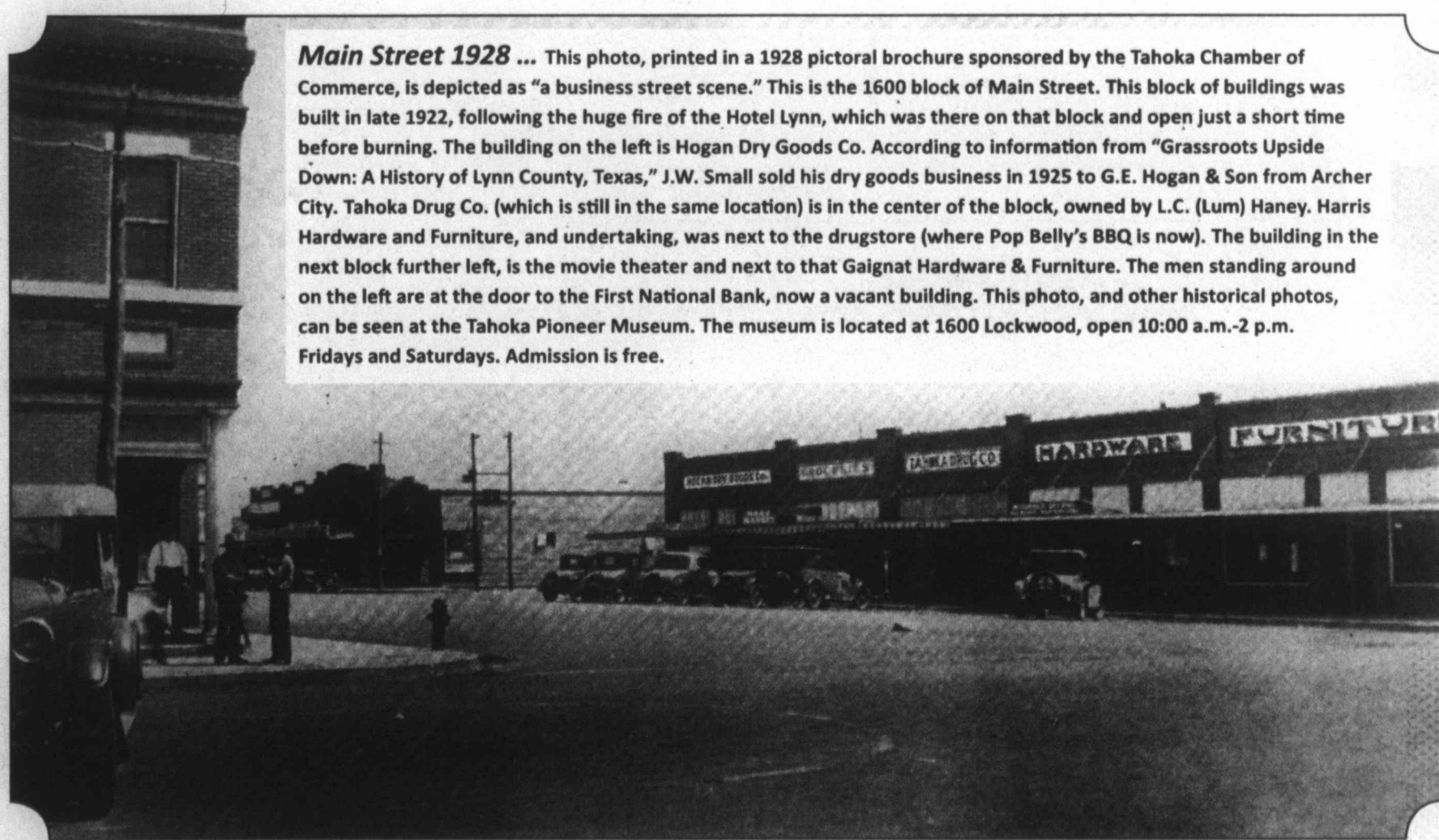
Mexico (2007-2014). He was also a teacher/coach at Brownfield ISD (1976-1979).

The Board also approved administrative recommendations for several teaching positions. The following professional employees were approved: Justin Gorman, teacher/coach, Michael Maldonado, teacher/coach, Heather Anderson, middle school math, and Brook Brown, day care director.

The Board then went into closed session to discuss the superintendent selection process, with no action taken upon returning to open session.



**Funds are coming in – more needed ...** Jay Dee House, representing the Board of Directors of the Lynn County Pioneers Senior Citizens Center, and Chuck Senter, First Bank & Trust Area President, Tahoka Branch, stand beside the sign (in front of the former City Hall on Lockwood) donated by FB&T to promote giving to the Senior Citizens Center Building Fund. To date, \$29,882.37 has been contributed to the fund, and grant funding is being sought to supplement the project to renovate the former city hall into a new senior citizens center in Tahoka. Memorials and honorariums in honor of family members are also appreciated, and may be sent to Sr. Citizens Building Fund, P.O. Box 223, Tahoka, TX 79373.



**Main Street 1928 ...** This photo, printed in a 1928 pictorial brochure sponsored by the Tahoka Chamber of Commerce, is depicted as "a business street scene." This is the 1600 block of Main Street. This block of buildings was built in late 1922, following the huge fire of the Hotel Lynn, which was there on that block and open just a short time before burning. The building on the left is Hogan Dry Goods Co. According to information from "Grassroots Upside Down: A History of Lynn County, Texas," J.W. Small sold his dry goods business in 1925 to G.E. Hogan & Son from Archer City. Tahoka Drug Co. (which is still in the same location) is in the center of the block, owned by L.C. (Lum) Haney. Harris Hardware and Furniture, and undertaking, was next to the drugstore (where Pop Belly's BBQ is now). The building in the next block further left, is the movie theater and next to that Gaignat Hardware & Furniture. The men standing around on the left are at the door to the First National Bank, now a vacant building. This photo, and other historical photos, can be seen at the Tahoka Pioneer Museum. The museum is located at 1600 Lockwood, open 10:00 a.m.-2 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. Admission is free.

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Did you know?

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**National  
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Month**

## Green Memorial Park Cemetery

Green Memorial Park Cemetery will have its annual **DONATION DRIVE** during the month of June.

Funds may be deposited directly to FirstBank & Trust or mailed to Green Memorial Park Cemetery, P.O. Box 102, Wilson, Texas 79381.

The board of directors (Servando Benavidez, Brenda Dunn, Randy Dunn, Lester Gickhorn, Carolyn Klaus and Lester Walker) would like to thank each of you for your past contributions and ask for your support to help keep the cemetery neat and attractive.

4 DOZEN!  
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The Silent Auction will begin June 21, until 2 pm Wednesday, June 28 at the Lynn County News Office (1617 Main Street).

Baked goods will be awarded to the highest bidder and will be ready for pickup at the News Office on Wednesday, June 28.

Monster cookies are made with oatmeal, chocolate chips & peanut butter.

Stop by, call or email your bid at the News Office, 561-4888, email: LynnCoNews@poka.com.

All proceeds will go to our local **Senior Citizens New Building Fund.**

Where in the world is  
The Lynn County News?

At the  
All-Star game



**Round Rock...** A group of friends and family met in Round Rock to watch Grant Tekell, son of Lane and Heather Tekell of Tahoka, participate in the Texas High School Baseball Coaches Association's annual All-Star game, and brought the Lynn County News along. He was one of two 2nd Basemen chosen to represent the North Team for the Class 2A/3A/4A division. The News is 350 miles from Tahoka.

## Obituaries



## Betty Lira

Funeral Mass for Betty Lira, 60, of Wilson was held at 10:00 a.m. Monday June 19, 2017 at the San Jose Catholic Church in Crosbyton. Burial was at Crosbyton Cemetery under the care of Adams Funeral Home of Crosbyton. She passed away June 15, with her family by her side.

Betty was born June 18, 1956 in Crosbyton to Anselmo and Lupe Alcaraz Garcia. She married Charlie Lira in October of 1977 she was a member of St. Jude Catholic Church, a devoted mother and house wife, she always had a smile for everyone she met. She will be

dearly missed by all who knew her.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents, and a daughter Brittany.

She is survived by her husband of nearly 40 years Charlie Lira of Wilson, a daughter, Charlene Lira of Wilson; two brothers, Anselmo (Beaver) Garcia of Crosbyton, and Pete Cruz of San Angelo; four sisters, Susie Medina of Miles, Janie Rendon of New Home, Anita Marquez of Crosbyton, and Rosie Salas of Crosbyton.

Online condolences can be made at [www.adamsfuneral.com](http://www.adamsfuneral.com)

Letters to the  
EditorThanks to local  
businesses for  
summer camp

Dear Editor:

On behalf of myself and the Lynn County Juvenile Probation Office I would like to thank the local businesses for making our summer camp a great success this year. Everyone's donations were greatly appreciated.

This year we had an average of 90 kids attending the camp. The kids enjoyed the SWAT team, swimming, fire department, catholic family services, EMS, dental presentation and all the outdoor sports. The kids especially enjoyed the daily door prizes & free t-shirts. This would not have been possible without your support.

Once again, thank you for your generous support!

Sincerely,  
Gracie Zapata  
Summer Camp Coordinator



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Library

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(inside the Life Enrichment Center)

## Tea &amp; Tales

Ladies enjoyed a wonderful program about The Cotton Patch Gypsy and This & That with Jackie Vedder. Ladies were treated with several samples of her homemade soaps. Thank you, Jackie, for a great time learning about your soaps. Thanks also to Beth Huffaker who provided several choices of delicious cookies for all to enjoy.

Please bring your plastic sacks next month to donate to Pat Eaker and Joan Knox who crochets mats for homeless veterans. They will demonstrate how the mats are made at our next meeting so you will want to be here July 11<sup>th</sup>.

## Summer movies

Too hot outside, come check out just added DVD's and a few Blue Ray movies at the Library. The Library has several newly added movies that generous people have donated to the City-County Library. If you are ready to downsize your DVD's at home, please keep the library in mind for donations.

## 3 Doodler class

There are still a few spaces available for 3 Doodler classes in July. Children who have completed 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grades are welcome to sign up for 30-minute classes. Call or come by the Library to get more information.

Senior Citizens  
LUNCH MENU

June 26-30

**Monday:** Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, Italian veg., broccoli, Autumn Jell-o

**Tuesday:** Baked chicken breast, baked potato, peas, chocolate pudding, pineapple tidbits

**Wednesday:** Ham & beans, spinach, corn, Country apple crisp

**Thursday:** Crumb topped fish, garlic roasted potatoes, peas, watermelon

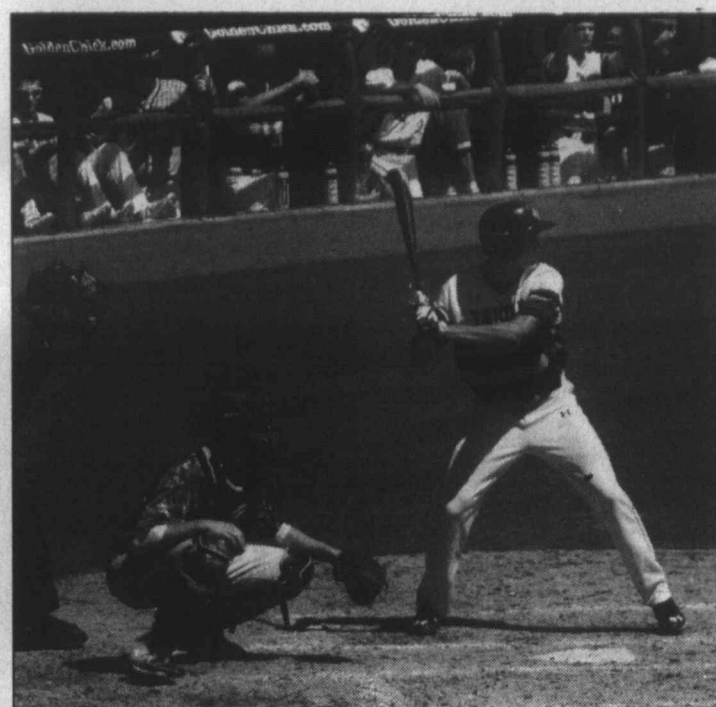
**Friday:** Swedish meatballs, parsley noodles, mixed veg., angel food cake w/ strawberries & whipped topping

Mark your calendars...

• BINGO will be held this Thursday, (June 22) at 1 p.m. at the Center. Come join us for fun and fellowship!

• Tickets are on sale now for a chance to win a Landmann Smoky Mountain series Bravo Premium Charcoal Grill w/ Smoker (\$500 value). Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20. All proceeds are to benefit the Lynn County Senior Citizens Building Fund. Tickets may be purchased at the Senior Citizens Center, Lynn County News or see and Rotary Club Member.

• Donations to benefit the Center for the building fund are greatly appreciated. All donations are tax deductible; we are a 501(c)3 organization.



**Round Rock Express...** Grant Tekell, a recent graduate of Tahoka High School, is pictured here batting for the North Team in the annual Texas High School Baseball Coaches Association All-Star game at Dell Diamond Stadium in Round Rock. Dell Diamond is the home stadium of the Round Rock Express, the AAA Minor League Baseball affiliate of the Texas Rangers MLB Team.

A look back at ...  
Woodwork

(Reprinted from the past)

Dalton Wood



**W**HAT HAPPENS if you drink water out of the ocean? Well, I really don't know, but from all the movies I've ever seen where people die of thirst after spending several days floating on a raft, I must assume that if you drink that salty water, you die.

Of course, you're going to die anyway, but I guess it happens sooner if you drink ocean water. I have gargled with salt water, and accidentally swallowed a little of it. It didn't kill me yet; I don't know why not.

Anyway, the water most of us drink is not ocean water. It comes from the Canadian River, which tastes pretty bad, or from bottles, which taste good, but cost money.

Regardless of the taste or the cost, most of us must not be drinking enough water, judging from some unverified information someone sent me. Here are some of the benefits of drinking water, according to that letter, which gave no clue as to the source, and may be a bunch of nonsense, but just might be true

1. One glass of water shuts down midnight hunger pangs for almost 100% of the dieters studied in a U. of Washington study.
2. Lack of water is the #1 trigger of daytime fatigue.
3. Preliminary research indicates that 8-10 glasses of water a day could significantly ease back and joint pain for up to 80% of sufferers.
4. A mere 2% drop in body water can trigger fuzzy short-term memory, trouble with basic math, and difficulty focusing on the computer screen or on a printed page. (Now I know what to blame for some of my problems.)
5. Drinking 5 glasses of water daily decreases the risk of colon cancer by 45%, plus it can slash the risk of breast cancer by 79% and one is 50% less likely to develop bladder cancer.

I know a guy who claims he never drinks water or even tea with a meal. He appears to be healthy, but someday he may collapse in a pile of dust. I don't know how much, if any, water he drinks between meals. Maybe he drinks 37 cans of beer before going to bed.

Most of us, though, need to drink more water. Seems to me I have heard everyone should drink at least eight glasses of water a day. This should give us less time in the hospital and more time you know where.

- October 26, 2001

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**Wilson Class of '67...** The Wilson Class of 1967 had their 50th reunion this month. They met at Ashmore Inn in Lubbock for conversations and reminiscing the glory days. Twelve members of the graduating class were able to attend, and gathered at Cattlemen's for dinner. Graduates attending were (from left to right) JB Rackler, Jenny Kornig, Dennis Verkemp, Mike Ward, Donna Martin, Vickie Rhodes, Jenny Gatzki, Earlene Lehman, Linda Edwards, Karen Schwan, Lawrence Stabeno and David Koslen.

## WILSON COMMUNITY NEWS by Jessica McBride

What a crazy few weeks it has been! My apologies for not having an article last week as I was spending the week in Las Vegas on our honeymoon! On June 5<sup>th</sup>, I got married to Greg McBride. We hopped on a plane and headed to the city that never sleeps. Boy do they mean that! If you have never been to Las Vegas, add it to your bucket list. We had a great time.

We came home June 8th, left the airport and headed to the 6 on 6 football in Petersburg. I am very excited for the football season to start. The boys played good and had fun.

### WISD News

Wilson ISD is accepting transfers for the upcoming school year. Please contact the school for all information. Reminder they summer hours for the school are Monday - Friday 8:30 to 3:30. they are also accepting applications for substitute teacher for the upcoming school year.

### Summer Fun

Keeping the kids out of the house and out of your hair is getting bit easier. Try spray chalk! It was fun and messy but worth it! Once again credit goes to Pinterest for the direc-

tions! Making the spray chalk is super easy, and the chalk easily washes off of surfaces. The spray bottles are also great for fine motor development. Here are directions to make your own...

### Materials

Spray bottles, Corn Starch, Baking soda, Food coloring or washable watercolors  
Optional: If you want to make the spray chalk art erupt you will also want a few squirt bottles of vinegar.

### Directions:

Fill the spray bottles 1/3 of the way with a baking soda and corn starch mixture, using roughly equal amounts of both ingredients. Add a few drops of food coloring or washable watercolors, and then fill the bottles with very warm water, leaving a little space at the top of the bottle.

Use a butter knife or similar to stir the mixture as best you can, and then place the spray spouts on and shake the bottles really, really well. You will want to shake the bottles once more just before play, as some of the corn starch does settle at the bottom of the bottles.

My girls used their spray

## Hundreds of cyclists will ride through county July 15-16 in Bike MS: Cactus & Crude ride

More than 300 cyclists are expected to raise over \$400,000 to help people affected by Multiple Sclerosis (MS) at the 28th Annual Bike MS: Cactus and Crude, a 2 day, 150-mile journey. The ride takes place on July 15-16 beginning in Midland, and includes an overnight stop in Lamesa, and a festive finish on Day 2 in Lubbock at Caprock Winery. The route will go through Lynn County and include rest stops in O'Donnell at the City Park before heading to FM 1054, with another rest stop at a wind farm, another rest stop as FM 1054 crosses US 380, and a rest stop in Wilson.

chalk on and off all morning and still had some left at the end of the day. I love how long the chalk lasted! Once they tired of making spray art I gave them squirt bottles of vinegar so that they could make their art erupt.

## Did you know ... about BASEBALL

- Boston Red Sox player Jimmy Piersall celebrated his 100th home run by running the bases backwards. He was an eccentric player who inspired the book and movie Fear Strikes Out, which chronicle his battle with bipolar disorder.

- In 1989, NBC's Gayle Gardner (1950-) became the first woman to regularly host Major League Baseball games for a television network.

- When baseball great Lou Gehrig retired from the game due to amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), he said in his farewell speech that he was "the luckiest man on the face of the earth." His speech has been called the "Gettysburg Address of Baseball."

- Toni Stone (1921-1996) became the first of three women to play in baseball's Negro League over its 40-year history. Baseball historians called her the "female Jackie Robinson." At one time, in 1953, she was the fourth best batter in the league.

- Dock Ellis (1945-2008), the Pirates' starting pitcher, pitched his first and only no-hitter of his career on June 12th, 1970. He also happened to be high on LSD at the time.

For cyclists and all those seeking a personal challenge and a world free of Multiple Sclerosis, Bike MS is the premier fundraising cycling series in the nation. A fundraising minimum of \$250 is required for participants, and minimum age level is 12.

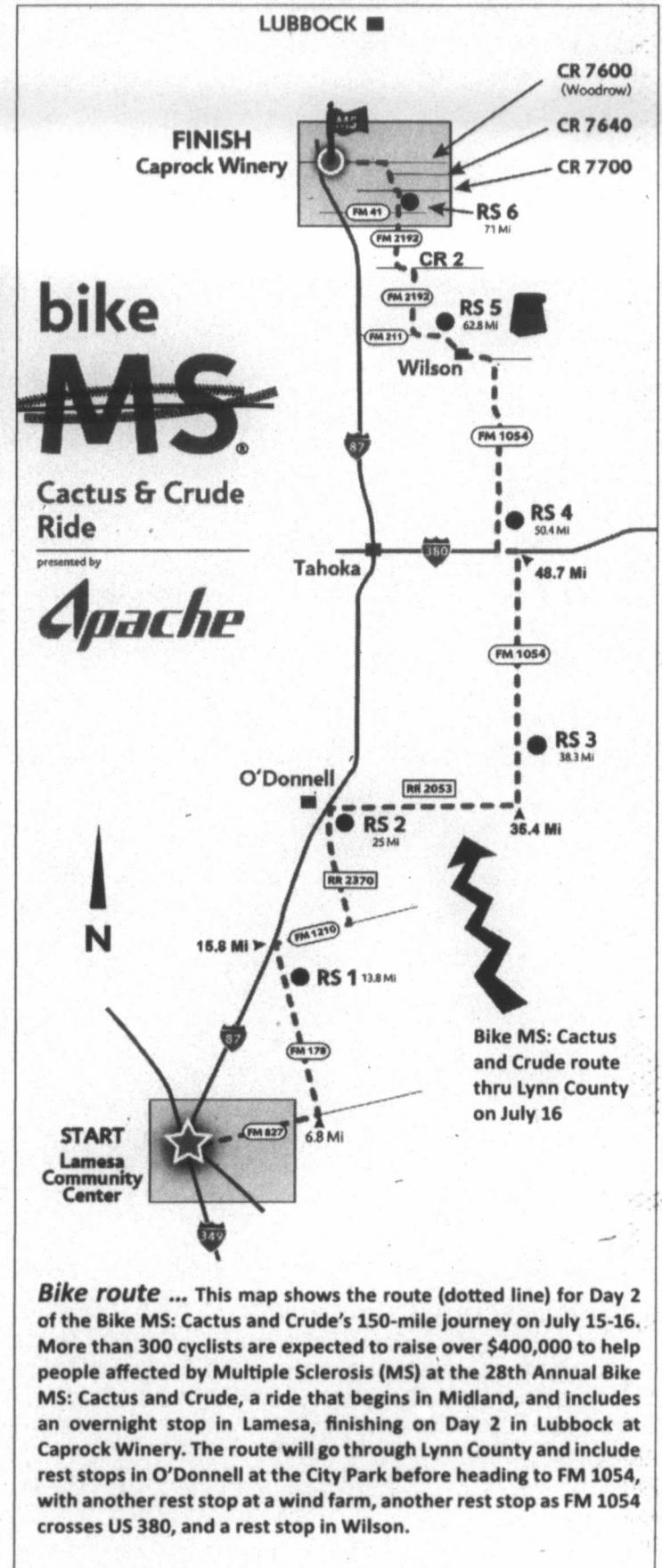
To participate, support or volunteer in the Cactus and Crude event, call 855-372-1331 or visit [bikeMS.org](http://bikeMS.org), or [fundraisingsupport@nmss.org](mailto:fundraisingsupport@nmss.org).

Bike MS, hosted by the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, attracts nearly 100,000 participants nationwide in more than 80 rides. To date, Bike MS cyclists, volunteers, sponsors and donors have raised more than \$1 billion to help stop MS.

Bike MS includes people living with MS, their friends, families and neighbors, as well as corporate teams and individuals who are driven to support critical MS research and life-changing services for people living with MS. People living with MS can also participate in "I Ride with MS," a special program supported nationally by Biogen and Primal that recognizes Bike MS cyclists living with the disease.

Multiple sclerosis is an unpredictable, often disabling disease of the central nervous system that disrupts the flow of information within the brain, and between the brain and body. Symptoms range from numbness and tingling to blindness and paralysis. The progress, severity and specific symptoms of MS in any one person cannot yet be predicted, but advances in research and treatment are leading to better understanding of MS. Most people with MS are diagnosed between the ages of 20 and 50, with at least two to three times more women than men being diagnosed with the disease. MS affects more than 2.3 million worldwide.

For more information about multiple sclerosis and the National MS Society go to [nationalmssociety.org](http://nationalmssociety.org) or call 800-344-4867.



## Did you know ... about BASEBALL

- Since 1983, major league players have been required to wear helmets with at least one earflap to protect the side of the head facing the pitcher. The latest

helmets also provide increased protection to the back of the head.

- Only one major league player has been killed by a pitched ball. Ray Chapman of the Cleveland Indians was fatally hit in the head on August 16, 1920, by a ball thrown by Yankee pitcher Carl Mays.

## Notice To All Those Who Use Fireworks

*It is your responsibility to pick up trash on the county roads and turn-rows after your fireworks are done.*

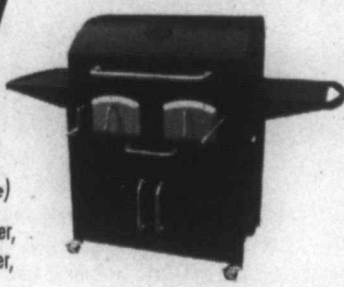
~ A local farmer, who appreciates people cleaning up their trash

## BUY YOUR TICKETS NOW!

**Landmann Smoky Mountain Series Bravo Premium Charcoal Grill with Smoker** (\$500 value)

Tickets available at Lynn County Pioneer Center, Lynn County News, or any Rotary Club Member, or call The Senior Citizen's Center at 561-5264, for tickets to be delivered.

Drawing: Sept. 16, 2017 • Tickets: \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20  
All proceeds benefit Lynn County Sr. Citizens Building Fund



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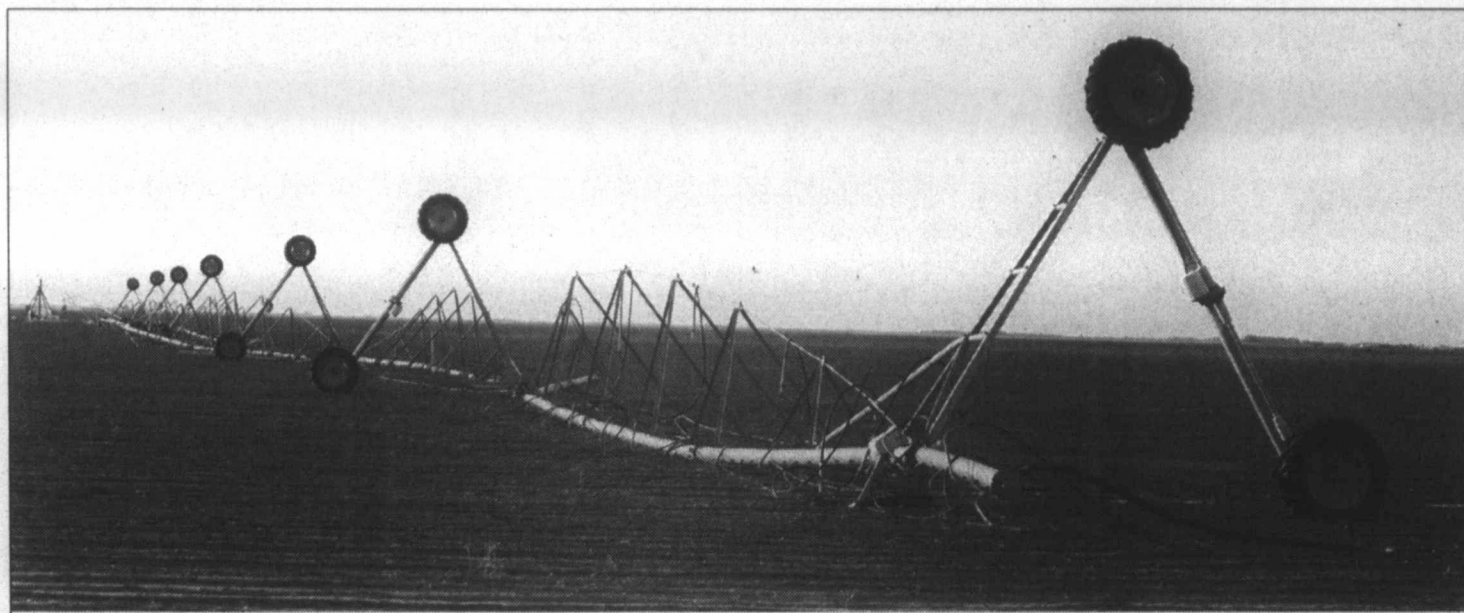
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**Storm damage...** Severe storms passed through parts of Lynn County last Thursday evening. Pictured is a pivot system that was blown over from high winds near the O'Donnell area, near the FM 2956 and FM 213 intersection. Some areas of Lynn County reported high winds and hail from the storm, with several ag producers reporting crop losses. (LCN PHOTO by Pam Elrod)

## Traffic accidents ...

(Continued from page 1)

County Hospital. At 2 a.m. Saturday, a man driving a Lincoln car hit trees and two vehicles parked in the driveway of the residence of Danny Martin, at Sam Road and FM 211. EMS transported the driver to a Lubbock hospital.

Tahoka Volunteer Fire Dept. responded to a small grass fire on CRP land near the intersection of FM 179 and US 380 at 2 p.m. last Wednesday.

A homeowner reported to officers on Sunday at 10:53 p.m. that someone had driven a vehicle onto his yard at his residence at CR 4 and FM 400. The property owner followed the vehicle, which drove into a field between CR 3 and CR 4 and was apparently stuck. However, when law enforcement officials arrived the vehicle had left the scene.

Officers responded to several domestic disturbance calls during the week, one of which resulted in an arrest of a 28-year-old man for public intoxication when he refused to leave a family member's home in Wilson at 2 a.m. last Wednesday.

Lynn County Jail held 33 inmates during the week, including 10 for Ector County, 6 for Dawson, and 17 for Lynn County. Local charges included one man for Continuous Sexual Abuse of a Child, and one for public intoxication.



God Bless America!



**Good rain, but accompanied by hail...** Some areas of Lynn County received good rain, but unfortunately it was accompanied by high winds and hail from a storm last Thursday, with several ag producers reporting significant damage to area crops. (LCN PHOTO by Pam Elrod)

### In 1927 ... Federal Farm Census

Results of the 1925 Federal Farm Census, announced in January 1927, showed Lynn farms had increased from 210 in 1910 to 737 in 1925 with 46.5 percent of the county's acreage in cropland. The 1925 census showed Lynn with 2,528 horses, 2,547 mules, 9,215 cattle, 1,592 milk cows, 1,416 hogs, and 42,879 chickens.

(from pg. 162, "Grassroots Upside Down: A History of Lynn County, Texas")

### In 1927 ... Widening of Highways

Early in 1927, State of Texas requested and was granted widening from sixty to eight feet the north-south Glazier-to-Gulf and the east-west Fort Worth-Roswell proposed Federal highways. Paving had been started in Lubbock County.

During the next two years, both dirt highways were graded through Lynn. The east-west highway was opened up and graded through Kent and Stonewall counties, and was graded through Garza, Terry, and Yoakum, then designated as Highway 84 (U.S. 380).

On August 11, 1927 Highway 9, now U.S. 87, held a meeting in Tahoka attended by representatives from 13 towns from Amarillo to San Angelo, promoting this so-called Glazier-to-Gulf route.

(from pg. 162, "Grassroots Upside Down: A History of Lynn County, Texas")

## AgriLife Research looks at practicality of drone use in ranching industry

They may not replace the pickup, horse or 4-wheeler, much less a good sheep dog, anytime soon, but a Texas A&M AgriLife Research scientist thinks drones have practical ranching applications that will expand in the near future.

Dr. John Walker, resident director of research at San Angelo, said the small unmanned aircraft have gotten pretty popular recently and he wanted to explore their practical application in ranch settings.

"So I went and bought one," he said. "The first advice someone gave me, and it was good advice, was to buy a cheap one, a toy, and learn to fly it before buying an expensive one."

Walker said neophytes should plan to spend at least \$1,000 or a bit more for a drone, as units in that price range have what is needed for any real practical application.

But what can you do with one other than take aerial photos and video?

"Right now, out of the box, you can use it to check things," he said. "You can locate lost stock and eventually check fences and waterings. One of the neat things with the more expensive ones is you can program them to run a route, so if you want to check fences, do it once and save that route into the drone. The next time you want to check that fence, you don't really have to fly it, but just tell it to run that route and it will."

"I've used it to herd sheep. It's fun, but you have to watch where you're going."

"You can move sheep very gently and that's really impressed me. I thought as soon as they saw the drone, they'd take off running, but they really don't. Now goats will a bit at first, but sheep will just move along slow and easy."

Walker said there are currently plenty of limitations. Battery life is the major one with batteries only lasting about 25 minutes. Obstacles, especially trees and brush, also pose problems, though he said there are models on the market

designed to avoid trees and other hazards.

Sun-glare on the screen of a smartphone or iPad used as a monitor on the controller is also a problem, though Walker will soon test the practicality of a pair of "virtual flight" goggles. He said they are worn by the operator for a real-time "drone's eye view" thus dispensing with the need for the clamped-on screen.

He said the future of using drones on the ranch is bright with a plethora of possibilities.

"I think as the technology improves you'll be able to do a whole lot of other things," he said. "What I'm looking forward to is a new type of radio frequency identification ear tag or RFID tag that's evolving."

"Those in use now only have a range of about 3 feet; basically used with animals going down a working chute. But there are some new ones that can broadcast up to a mile or more. So if your drone was equipped with the appropriate sensor, you could send it up and find those sheep with those particular ear tags and have the drone start drifting the sheep to wherever you wanted them to go."

"I can even imagine having a grazing plan built around this technology where pastures could be divided into different sections and the drone herds the stock into that section and the next day moves them to the next and so on."

Walker concedes there are some stock-related issues that would have to be worked out, namely a way for making the sheep move once they figured out the drone can't actually make them. He said a feed reward once they reach their intended destination could well be the answer, much like a cattleman penning cows with a feed sack.

"I really do think there will be a future for drones in the ranching industry," he said. "There's high-tech stuff like conducting vegetation inventories and even deer surveys. They could be used for things we haven't even thought

about, maybe monitoring the health of individual animals on the range for example."

"But right now I think the off-the-shelf models could probably do some practical time-saving things for people, particularly if you've got a rough old ranch with two-track roads that take forever to get around on to check water. You could go up to the top of a hill and if you've gone to that trough before, you can fly that drone about 40 miles an hour and it doesn't take it long to go a mile and check that trough. You can see what that trough looks like through the drone's camera lens without worrying or spending half a day to get there and back."

"I just think they have a lot of potential," he said. "Right now they are still kind of a toy, but it's a fun and potentially useful toy. There's worse things you could spend your time and money on that have a lot less potential."



**No public allowed...** Chain link fencing has been placed around the Lynn County Courthouse, as renovation work is underway on restoring the historic building back to its original look from 1916, both inside and out. A Texas Historical Commission grant through the Courthouse Preservation Program is helping fund the \$8.5 million project. The courthouse will remain closed for the duration, most likely 18-24 months. All county offices have relocated to new temporary office locations in Tahoka. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

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We are so grateful for everything you have done to support our family during this sad time. We appreciate the flowers the meals the visits and the phone calls. We thank you Lynn Co. EMS and Hospital Dr's. and staff for caring for our Precious Mama. You, "our family and friends" have made a difficult time in our lives more bearable. Your enduring love and support means so much to us.

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Competitive sealed proposals addressed to Dr. Cathy Palmer, Superintendent of Schools for the O'Donnell Independent School District, 400 Small Street, O'Donnell TX, 79245, for Roofing at the Teachers Housing, located in O'Donnell TX, will be received at the above address no later than 1:30 P.M., on Tuesday, July 11, 2017.

A Walk-Through Conference will be held at 10:30 A.M., on Tuesday, June 20, 2017, at the O'Donnell ISD Administration Building.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS: Cause No: 2017CV0008  
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-VS- COUNTY COURT  
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A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Title to a Volkswagen MG Kit with unknown vin # be vested to Plaintiff / as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition of file in this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Tahoka, Texas, this 9th day of June, 2017.  
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The US Postal Service has approval from the family for the postal station in O'Donnell. Customers have an opportunity to submit requests for the pictorial postmark by mail for up to 30 days following the date of the postmark. To request, mail a blank envelope or postcard with postage to the Postmaster, O'Donnell

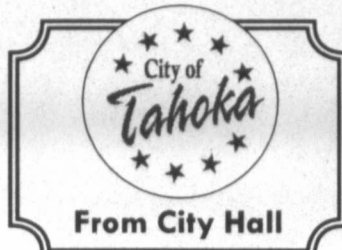


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Blocker, who lived in O'Donnell, played Hoss Cartwright -- the heart and soul of Bonanza -- for 13 seasons in 415 episodes, before his untimely death in 1972 at the age of 43. He died in Los Angeles of a pulmonary embolism following gall bladder surgery.



**HYDRO-MULCHING:** The contractor will begin hydro-mulching yards next week. His plan is to start on North 7th Street and work south. If you have any concerns contact city hall and we will let the contractor know.

**TREE BRANCHES AND BRUSH:** Beginning July 1st the city's landfill will take tree branches and brush on Saturdays **ONLY** from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. When you enter the landfill you **MUST** stop at the office before proceeding on to the dump location. Also, you **MUST** provide a current city utility bill showing that you are a resident of Tahoka. You will be turned away if you come on any day but Saturday, or if you do not have a current city utility bill.

If you have any questions please contact Tahoka City Hall at 806-561-4211.



Good aim ... Dalton Stokes, from New Home ISD, represented the State of Texas as a Junior Olympian and went on to compete in the National Junior Olympic Championships.

## NH senior Dalton Stokes competes in National Junior Olympic shooting event

Dalton Stokes, 17 years old, who will be a senior at New Home ISD this coming school year, has faced competitors from across the United States as he represented the State of Texas as a Junior Olympian and went on to compete in the National Junior Olympic Championships. His event was Bunker Trap in USA shooting competition.

In May 2017 Stokes was invited to compete in an invitational Bunker Trap event held in San Antonio for a chance to represent the State of Texas as a Junior Olympian. He qualified as a Texas representative and advanced to the National Junior Olympic Championships held at the Ft. Carson's military base in Colorado Springs, Colorado on June 11-13. There he competed against 189 competitors, 21 years and younger,

from across the United States in Bunker Trap for two spots on the USA Shooting team to automatically advance to the World Junior Olympic Championships held in Moscow, Russia.

Although he did not win one of the two spots on the USA team, he represented the State of Texas well with a score of 100 out of a possible 125 placing him in the top 50 percent of all men competitors and in the top 20 of his division.

He is a member of Garza County 4-H and competes at various 4-H shotgun shooting events across the state, participating in American and Wobble Trap, American and International Skeet, 5 Stand and Sporting Clays. His home shooting course is Palmer Gun Club in Post, Texas. He is coached by volunteers Mark Kirkpatrick and Ray Mason, both of Post.

Dalton's parents are Brad and Traci Stokes of Lubbock, grandparents are Sherie Stokes, and Duane and Vickie Snell, and his great-grandmother is Phyllis Snell, all of Lamesa.

### High tech help in growing old

There's good news for the 10,000 Americans who turn 65 each day: technology will make aging a lot easier, reports the Association of Mature American Citizens. AMAC says research into the use of new technologies is being conducted at several universities.

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