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## BASKETBALL PLAYOFFS

**Girls:**  
**New Home Lady Leopards AREA CHAMPIONS**  
New Home won 76-32 over Roscoe to win Area; playing Sundown in Regional Quarterfinals, 6 pm Tuesday, Feb 23, at LCU

**Boys:**  
**New Home Leopards BI-DISTRICT CHAMPIONS**  
New Home beat Morton 81-31 to win Bi-District; playing Christoval in Area round Tuesday, Feb. 23, 6:30 pm at Garden City

**O'Donnell Eagles DISTRICT 6-A CHAMPIONS**  
O'Donnell drew a bye in Bi-District round, advances to Area playoffs Tuesday, Feb. 23, vs Klondike at 5:00 pm at Andrews.

### Did you know?

- After he retired, Dwight D. Eisenhower's secret service code name became "Scorecard" because of his affinity for golf.
- Roughly 30% of the Earth's remaining mineral resources can be found in Africa.
- There's a village in Norway called Hell, and it freezes over every winter.
- S.O.S. does not stand for anything. It was created as a universal distress signal because it is a simple, unmistakable message when sent via Morse Code.

## COVID UPDATE:

**FEB. 19 SPPHD UPDATE:**  
The South Plains Public Health District provided the following information of COVID-19 cases:  
**Lynn County total cases:** 607  
7 Active - 592 Recovered - 8 Deaths

## WHAT'S OUTSIDE

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Feb 16	24	2	0.14"
Feb 17	22	6	0.01"
Feb 18	22	8	
Feb 19	53	18	
Feb 20	64	25	
Feb 21	58	30	
Feb 22	70	29	

(Precipitation/temps measured as of 7 a.m. on date reported, for the previous 24-hr period)  
Total Precip for Jan: 1.23"  
Total Precip for Feb: 0.15"  
Total Precip. for 2021: 1.38"

## Area Champions! Lady Leopards claim Area title, to face Sundown in Reg Qtrfinals

The New Home Lady Leopards sped through the Area round of 2A basketball playoffs on Saturday, claiming the Area title with an easy 76-32 win over Roscoe.

The win advances the Lady Leopards (18-8) to the Regional Quarterfinal round, where they were to face Sundown (24-5) at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 23 at Lubbock Christian University.

In the Area match played at Big Spring High School at 2 o'clock Saturday, Kelby Baccus and Addy Burns both led the Lady Leopards

in scoring, with 21 points apiece, and M'Kenna McFadden also scored in double figures, adding 11 points.

New Home led 20-7 by the end of the first quarter, and had a 15-point lead by the half, at 37-22. They held Roscoe scoreless in the third period while adding another 19 points to increase their margin, leading 56-22 as they headed into the fourth quarter. The Lady Leopards tossed in another 20 points while holding Roscoe to 10 in the final period, to take the win 76-32.



**Area Champions! ...** The New Home Lady Leopards are Area Champions in 2A UIL basketball playoffs, after beating Roscoe 76-32 last week. They moved on to the Regional Quarterfinal round, playing Sundown at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 23, at Lubbock Christian University (results in next week's edition). (Photo from New Home Athletic Booster Club facebook page)

## Leopards cruise to Bi-District win, facing Christoval at Area round

The New Home Leopards cruised through the Bi-District round of 2A boys basketball playoffs last Friday, claiming the gold ball with an 81-31 victory over Morton for the Bi-District title as

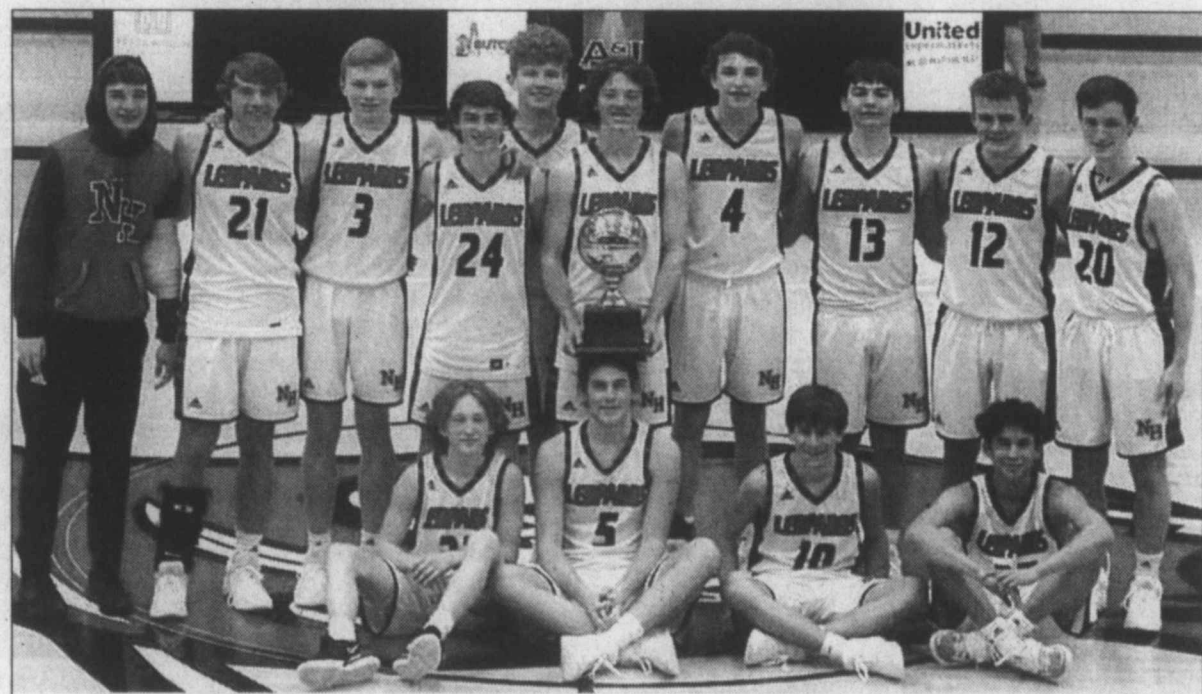
they advanced to the Area round of competition. The Leopards (15-2) were to face Christoval (20-4) Tuesday night, Feb. 23, at 6:30 p.m. at Garden City. The winner will move on to the Regional Quarter-

finals to face the winner between Sundown and Eldorado.

The bi-district match was held at 5 p.m. Friday at Lubbock Cooper High School. New Home jumped to a 26-7 lead by the end of the first

quarter over Morton, and increased their lead by a 50-point margin by the final buzzer in their 81-31 win for the Bi-District Championship.

The New Home defense held Morton to single digits in every quarter, while the Leopard offense kept the basket hot. By quarters, the Leopards scored 26 points to Morton's 7 in the first, 14-9 in the second, 20-6 in the third, and 21-9 in the final quarter.



**Bi-District Champions! ...** The New Home Leopards claimed the Bi-District Championship trophy in 2A UIL basketball playoffs with an 81-31 victory over Morton. The Leopards (15-2) were to face Christoval (20-4) Tuesday night, Feb. 23, at 6:30 p.m. at Garden City in the Area round (results in next week's edition). (Photo from New Home Athletic Booster Club facebook page)

## O'Donnell gets bye in Bi-District, now in Area round

The O'Donnell Eagles, District 6-1A Champions, drew a bye in the Bi-District round of UIL boys basketball playoffs. It is the second consecutive year for the Eagles to win the district championship title, under the direction of Coach Rocky Feliciano.

The Eagles advance to Area competition on Tuesday, Feb. 23, playing Klondike at 5:00 pm at Andrews.

Klondike advanced after beating Wellman-Union 66-49 in bi-district.

## SLIP-SLIDING AWAY ... Accidents, stranded motorists on frozen roadways

**L**ynn County Sheriff's deputies were busy responding to a number of accidents as well as assisting several drivers who were stranded when vehicles slid off roadways in Lynn County, due to the winter ice storm that caused hazardous driving conditions last week. Deputies also checked on many other vehicles that stopped on the sides of the highway during the sub-zero conditions, and assisted stranded travelers.

At 8:41 p.m. last Tuesday, Feb. 16, a pickup truck rolled over on US near CR 14. The male driver was reportedly able to get out of the vehicle, and chose to deny medical treatment by EMS. Lynn County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) deputies, DPS and Wilson Fire Dept. responded to the scene, as the vehicle was reportedly leaking fuel after the rollover.

At 3:22 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 17, a caller reported that his 2005 black Hummer H2 had slid off the roadway into the median on US 87 and CR 26. No injuries were reported. A wrecker was called to the

scene to tow the vehicle.

At 7:27 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 20, a dark blue pickup rolled on US 87 by the north roadside park just north of Tahoka. A caller reported to LCSO that someone was crawling out of the vehicle. LCSO, DPS, Lynn County EMS and Tahoka Volunteer Fire Dept. all responded to the scene. No one was transported by EMS, and the vehicle owner reportedly towed his vehicle from the scene.

Saturday evening, just before 9 p.m., a two-vehicle accident occurred on US 87 and FM 2053. LCSO received several calls re-

porting the accident, where apparently the two vehicles had T-boned each other and one had rolled and was on its side. Callers reported several people were trapped inside the vehicles. LCSO, O'Donnell Police, DPS, EMS, and O'Donnell Fire Dept. all responded to the scene. No driver information was available.

Lubbock DPS requested assistance from LCSO with a pursuit west of US 84 on CR 3, chasing a black Hyundai that had reportedly been stolen from a dealership in Lubbock. While on the line with DPS, LCSO was advised that the two occupants in the vehicle had stopped on FM 212 and US 84 and were running on foot from the vehicle. Both individuals were caught and transported to Lubbock County Jail. LCSO units assisted DPS at the scene.

LCSO also assisted Garza County Sheriff's Office, in a pur-

suit of white Dodge pickup at 3:51 p.m. Monday, Feb. 15. Garza County reported that a caller said that the people inside the vehicle had just stolen some items from his property and that he was following the vehicle as it was traveling westbound from Garza County on US 380. Deputies stopped the vehicle just west of the Lynn County Sheriff's Office, and all occupants of the vehicle were arrested and brought to the Lynn County Jail.

A caller reported to LCSO that someone had taken some money from his vehicle at a rural location at FM 2956 and US 380 sometime during Saturday night, but then called back later and told officers that he did not want to file a report after all.

Tahoka Police patrolled the residential areas during the icy winter weather, especially during the power outages on Sunday and Monday. (See POLICE REPORT, page 6)



DID YOU KNOW?

“ The U.S. Supreme Court has its own private basketball court. It's been nicknamed, "The Highest Court in the Land". ”

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**Obituaries**



**Norma Linda Alvarez**

Norma Linda Alvarez, a loving and caring mother and a lifelong resident of Tahoka, Texas, died on Saturday February 13, 2021 at UMC. She was born on June 12, 1965 in Lubbock to Antonia Farias and Luis Segovia. She married Joe Johnny Alvarez on July 17, 1979 and they lived beautifully together for many years. Linda was a loving mother of two daughters, Kristy and Salena and the best momo (Grandma) to three beautiful grandbabies. She will be missed and remembered always.

She is preceded in death by her mother Antonia Farias, her husband Joe Johnny Alvarez and her son Michael Joe Alvarez.

She is survived by her daughters, Salena Estrada and husband Andrew of San Antonio, Texas, Kristy Salinas and husband Adam of Tahoka, Texas and three beautiful grandbabies, Zylee and Wyatt Estrada and baby Sophie Salinas. Also, by a host of aunts, uncles, brothers, sisters, cousins, and bonus kids; Selena Castro, Maritza Morin, her dad Luis Segovia and many more.

Graveside services for Linda were held at 10:00 am Friday, February 19, 2021 at Nevils Cemetery with Father John Stephens Rathinam officiating. A rosary was held 6:00 pm Thursday, February 18, 2021 in the Chapel of Calvillo Funeral Home located in Tahoka with visitation starting at 11:00 am. All arrangements were made under the direction of Calvillo Funeral Home.

**Lynn County Hospital COVID-19 Hotline**  
**806-561-2076**  
answered 24-hours-a-day by LCHD healthcare providers  
**Please call if you think you have symptoms of COVID-19, including fever, cough, shortness of breath or persistent pressure in chest**



**Joan Billings**

Graveside services for Joan Billings, 84, of Seagraves were held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday in the Gaines County Cemetery in Seagraves with her son-in-law David Henning and grandson Brad Billings officiating. Services are under the direction of Ratliff Funeral Home of Seagraves.

Joan passed away February 11, 2021 in Lubbock. She was born July 26, 1936 in Trent to W.P. and Walter Pearl Phillips Scott. Joan graduated as salutatorian of the 1953 class of Tahoka High School. She married Tommy Joe Billings on February 28, 1954 in Tahoka. Joan was a farmer's wife and homemaker and loved being "Nana" to her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Seagraves. Joan (Nana) enjoyed watching all sports, especially the Red Raiders, Dallas Cowboys, and Kansas City Chiefs. She fiercely loved her family and enjoyed any occasion spent with them.

Joan was preceded in death by her husband Tommy Joe on September 25, 2017, grandson Jeremy Quisenberry Billings and brother Kenneth Scott.

Joan is survived by her sons Lee Billings and wife Pam, Danny Billings, daughter Jan Henning and husband David all of Seagraves; her grandchildren TJ Parks and husband Gary, Brad Billings and wife Brittany, DJ Billings, Cory Whitten and husband Hayden, Kaci Churchill and husband Nathan; her great-grandchildren Cassie, Colton, Tristin, Trace and Grayson; and her sister Wilma Faust of Las Vegas, NV.

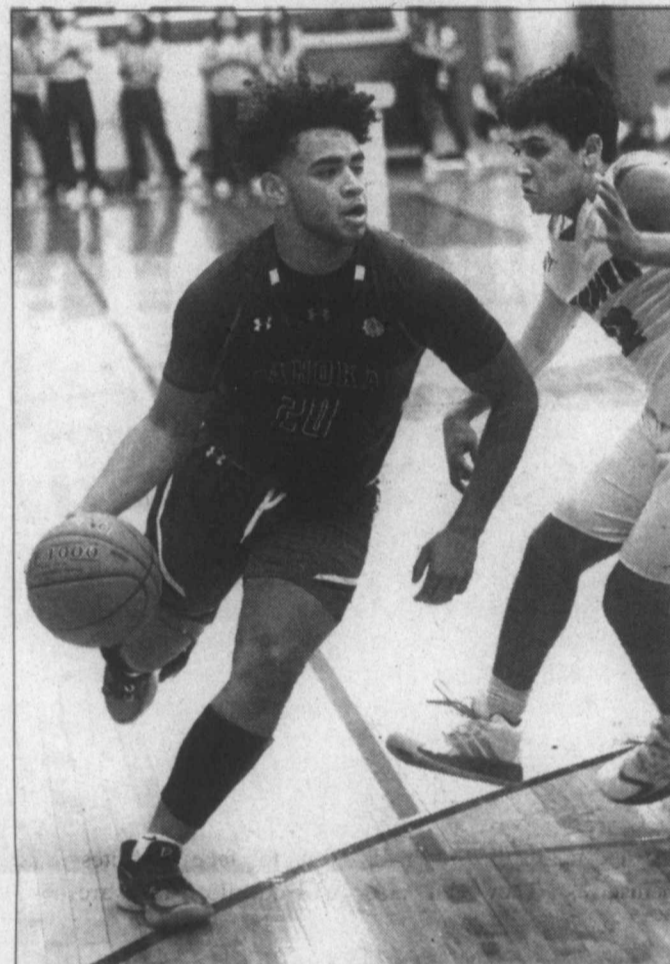
The family suggests in lieu of flowers that donations be made to the Seagraves Senior Citizens Center or St. Jude Children's Hospital.

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**Donation ...** The Lynn-Garza Farm Bureau office in Tahoka donated \$1,000 to the Lynn County Pioneers Senior Citizens Center, made possible through the Farm Bureau Feeding the Need Co-op Contribution Program. The purpose of this program is to help organizations that are designed to help those in need struggling with the effects of the Coronavirus pandemic. Pictured from left are; Agent Patricia Heinrich, Sandra Brown, Director of the Lynn County Pioneers Senior Citizens Center, Ron Francis-Farm Bureau Agency Manager, and agent Pam Hilger. Farm Bureau also donated \$1,000 to the Garza County Trailblazers Senior Citizens Center in Post.



**Last game ...** Tahoka senior Soul Moore played his last game Friday night in 2A BI-District action against Sundown, at Shallowater. The Bulldogs lost to the Roughnecks 43-37, ending their playoff run. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

**Commissioners approve maintainer purchase**

Lynn County Commissioners approved the purchase of a maintainer for Precinct 4 with a trade-in, in action taken at Monday morning's regular session at the County Courthouse, and conducted other routine business.

A motion to accept an interlocal agreement with Lubbock County for Regional Public Defender for Capital Cases was approved at an annual cost of \$1,072. Sheriff Wanda Mason reported on her department's activities, and monthly bills were approved as presented. Commissioners went into closed session for a half-hour, to consult with an attorney regarding CR Nora, but took no action on the issue upon returning to open session.

**One files for Dist. 5 seat on TISD Board**

With only a few days remaining before the deadline for filing in a special election for Tahoka ISD, only one candidate has filed for the unexpired term for District 5. Tamesha Harris-McClendon, who was appointed by the TISD Board to fill that position until the May trustee election, has filed as a candidate to retain her seat on the board.

The deadline to apply for a place on the ballot in the TISD special election is March 1st.

**New Home Happenings**  
by Denise Sherrod

April 1st (seriously!) is the last day to register to vote. For the first time in several years, New Home citizens will be voting for a mayor, and it's a contested election! Please register to vote, research the candidates, and record your choice in the May election.

Although the recent Horrible Weather Event caused problems for several residents of the New Home community—I can now use the upstairs water; thanks for the thoughts and prayers—on the whole, the city's water system made it through the strain. It's good to know it can. I hope it never has to prove it again. People all around us are having to boil their water IF they have water, so I'm feeling pretty fortunate right now. I spent much of last Friday just watching snow melt and laughing delightedly. Maniacally. I was laughing, anyway. I've never liked cold weather, and now we are sworn enemies.

Here's to warm days, gentle breezes, and ample resources!

**Senior Citizens LUNCH MENU**

- Monday:** Turkey pot pie, corn, tossed salad, ambrosia
- Tuesday:** Beef fajitas, refried beans, Spanish rice, tossed salad, peach cobbler
- Wednesday:** Homestyle lasagna, brussel sprouts, pears
- Thursday:** BBQ Chicken breast filet, baked potato, mixed veg., mandarin oranges
- Friday:** Baked fish, red potatoes, coleslaw w/ apple, peach shortcake

**Did you know?**

- The word "orange" was first used to describe the fruit, not the color.
- At the 1908 Olympics, the Russians showed up 12 days late because they were using the Julian calendar instead of the Gregorian calendar.
- The Amazon Forest is the largest natural rainforest in the world. At 2.7 million square miles, it covers 40% of South America.
- China owns nearly all of the pandas in the world, even the ones you see at zoos. They rent them out for about \$1 million a year.
- Beer is one of the oldest recorded recipes in the world, with documentations of the beverage dating back to around 5,000 BC and the ancient Egyptians.



**Say "i do" and tell us, too!**

**The Lynn County News runs engagement, wedding, and special anniversary announcements free of charge.**

All information is subject to editing. Anniversaries for 25th, 50th, or 60th year.

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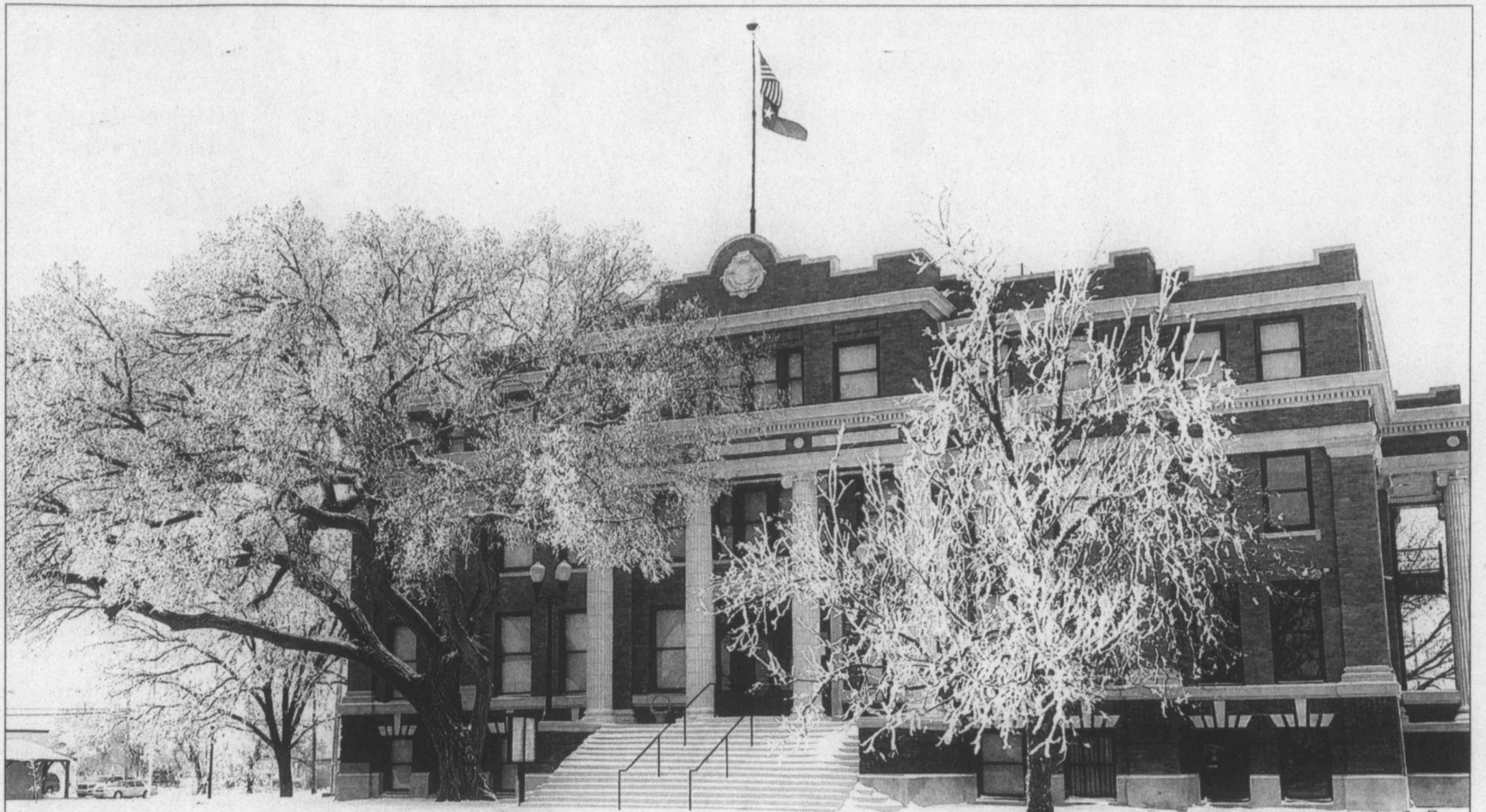
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**Did you know?**

First Drug to Treat Peanut Allergies is FDA-Approved

For everyone who has a peanut allergy, this news may help your health tremendously. On January 31, 2020, the FDA approved the first drug to treat peanut allergies due to accidental exposure. The drug is called Palforza and may be administered to individuals who are 4-years old or older.



**Frozen ...** The Lynn County Courthouse in Tahoka is pictured amid the frozen tundra during last week's unprecedented winter storm that dumped ice and snow with sub-zero temperatures for more than a week, knocking out power in many areas throughout Texas and causing other woes for some who had water issues with frozen pipes. In Tahoka, power outages mostly occurred on Sunday and Monday, and city waterlines were off only for brief periods of time, although O'Donnell city residents were without water on Friday, Feb. 19, with continued issues in the following days. The trees looked like they had been frosted with beautiful icy lace – pretty to look at, but the bitter cold didn't rise above the freezing mark until last Thursday. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

### IRS reports unprecedented numbers of online scams involving stimulus checks

The second stimulus check for \$600 distributed to Americans has led to unprecedented online scams that broke the \$300 million milestone. In Texas, The IRS reported 12.3 million payments totaling \$21.6 billion were made for the first round – second most in the nation. Residents should be on alert for the most common scams now, and going forward, as a third stimulus package for \$1.9 trillion is being negotiated in congress.

The FTC has received more than 340,668 reports of fraud relating to Coronavirus, costing victims more than \$321 million as of February 3. Google reported during the first stimulus it was blocking 18 million scam emails every single day; and 150,000 fraudulent stimulus check sites were launched.

SocialCatfish.com released a report on four Stimulus Check Scams and How to Avoid Them based on information from the FTC, FBI and IRS during the Coronavirus pandemic.

1) **ROBOCALL CHECK SCAMS:** The scammer will call pretending to be the IRS

and ask for your personal financial information. They will claim they need this to deposit the stimulus check into your account and will also ask for a fee to deposit said check. The truth is, they want your information so that they can pretend to be you and claim the check for themselves. They can also drain your bank account with this information and will keep the fee for themselves for good measure.

**How to Avoid:** Do not give out any personal information. The government already has your information on file from when you filed your taxes. The stimulus check will either be automatically deposited into your account or you will get it mailed to your house.

2) **EMAIL AND TEXT SCAMS:** Scammers will send you a phishing email, text message, or message on social media claiming that they are the government. They may email you telling you to click on a link to "verify" information, or text message you a link to fill out an application to receive your check.

**How to Avoid:** Do not click

on any links that are emailed or texted to you. Again, the government already has your information and checks or debit cards are either directly deposited or mailed to you.

3) **FAKE WEBSITE:** If you click on suspicious links, they will likely take you to fake websites that will download malware onto your device and steal your information to drain your bank account. These sites also contain fake forms so any personal or financial information you provide will go to the scammer.

**How to Avoid:** Do not go to any website that does not end in ".gov". There are no non-government websites giving stimulus checks. If you suspect a fake website, get off it immediately and report it.

4) **PHONY CHECKS:** Scammers have been mailing fake checks that look exactly like the official government-issued paper stimulus checks. Once deposited, the scammers text you pretending to be the government asking for some of the money back claiming too much was sent.

**How to Avoid:** Make sure the check is legitimate,



MADISON HENDRICKS

### Hendricks is TTU graduate

Madison Hendricks graduated from Texas Tech University in December 2020, earning her BA in Psychology with a minor in Sociology.

She is the daughter of Fred and Lisa Hendricks of Wilson.

ask your bank to verify it. If anyone asks for a portion of the check back, tell your bank immediately.

If you encounter a coronavirus scam, contact local law enforcement, or file a complaint with the FTC. For more information on the status of your stimulus check visit the IRS website.

### Area residents urged to self-report damages to homes and businesses

Following the impact of last week's winter storm, the Texas Division of Emergency Management is encouraging all residents in Texas, including the entire Lynn County area, to self-report any damages to their homes and businesses via the website <https://arcg.is/uOrOb>.

This information came from the Lynn County Judge's office, asking that anyone who sustained damage to a home or business as a result of the winter storm to utilize the website to submit a damage survey. Within the survey, disaster survivors will have

the opportunity to request assistance from volunteer organizations at their property.

This information will also help the Texas Division of Emergency Management to request more resources and volunteers into the area to help.

Residents will be available to upload pictures and report damages to the property. This voluntary self-reporting should not substitute residents reporting damages to their insurance agencies, nor does it guarantee disaster relief assistance.

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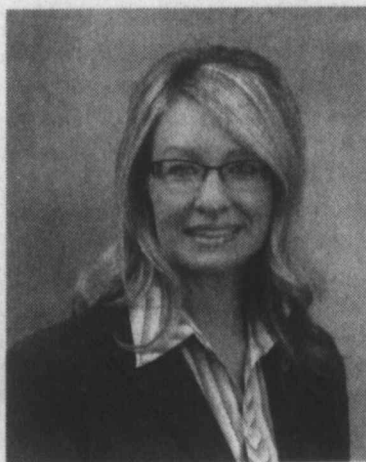
- There are more than 7,000 different Caribbean islands, but only about 2% of them are inhabited.
- At 3,212 feet high, Angel Falls in Venezuela is the highest uninterrupted waterfall in the world.
- Serial killer Ted Bundy once received a commendation from the Seattle Police Department for chasing down a purse snatcher.
- India and China are the only countries in the world with populations above 1 billion people.
- Pigs are very smart animals. They are considered smarter than dogs, they can solve puzzles better than chimpanzees and they have some of the best long-term memories known in animals. In fact, pigs are considered as the world's fifth-smartest animal.
- During World War II, Queen Elizabeth II, then an 18-year-old princess, trained in London as a mechanic and military truck driver.

## SHANNON HAMMONDS -FNP-C & ANAIS MOLINA - FNP-C

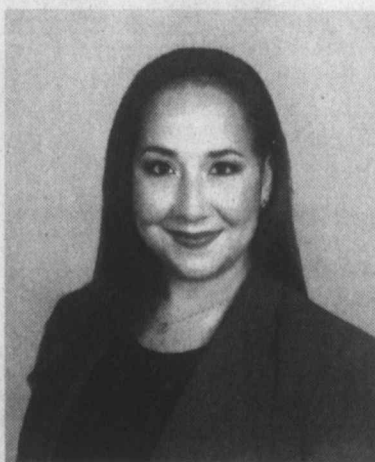
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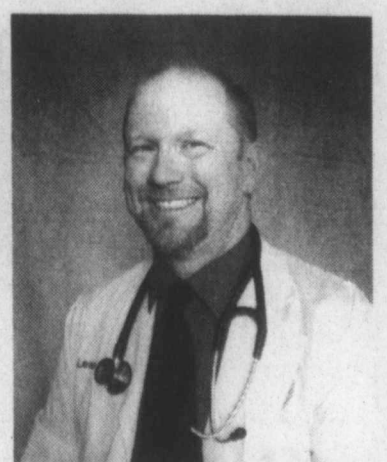


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**Texas NRCS announces funding for conservation innovation grants**

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is making \$1 million available to support the adoption of innovative conservation approaches on agricultural lands in Texas. Texas NRCS is accepting proposals through April 16, 2021, for state Conservation Innovation Grants (CIG), a competitive program that supports the development of new tools, approaches, practices, and technologies to further natural resource conservation on private lands.

"These grants offer an opportunity to promote public-private partnerships and support the agency's agenda to provide innovative technologies and approaches to environmental enhancement and protection on working agricultural lands," said Kristy Oates, NRCS state conservationist for Texas.

improvements to water quality and water quantity, soil health for carbon sequestration and reduced greenhouse gas emissions, air quality, and wildfire hazard from biomass accumulation.

Applicants must submit their applications via grants.gov by 11:59 pm Eastern Time on April 16, 2021. Project proposals will be evaluated by NRCS with the assistance of the State Technical Committee based on the criteria identified in the request for proposal.

Selected applicants may receive grants up to 50 percent of the total project cost, not to exceed \$75,000. Applicants must provide non-federal matching funds for at least 50 percent of the project cost, of which 50 percent may be in-kind contributions. Projects may be single or multiyear, not to exceed three years.

Additional information, the Request for Proposals, and related forms are located at [www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov](http://www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov) and at [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov).

*Did you know?*

- A dragonfly has a life span of 24 hours.
- A goldfish has a memory span of three seconds.
- A "jiffy" is an actual unit of time for 1/100th of a second.
- A shark is the only fish that can blink with both eyes.
- All 50 states are listed across the top of the Lincoln Memorial on the back of the \$5 bill.

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**RESCHEDULED AUCTIONS**

**Monday, February 22, 2021...9:30 am**  
**Joe Thomas & Neighbors, Owners**

LOCATION: From Tahoka, TX. 16 miles west on US 380 or From Brownfield 12 miles east on US 380.

**Thursday, February 25, 2021...9:30 am**  
**Steve Greer, Owner (806 778-4907)**

LOCATION: From Tahoka, TX (Lynn Co.) At the intersection of State Hwy 62/82 and State Hwy 380(Post, Hwy) go east 7 miles to FM 1054. Then go South 3 miles to FM 1313. Then go east 1 miles to Sale Site. Or From Grassland, TX go south 1 mile on FM 212 to FM 1313, then west 3 miles to Sale Site.

**Friday, February 26, 2021...9:30 am**  
**Donald Clyde Ellison Estate, Owner**  
**Gary Jones (806) 787-8497**

LOCATION: From Crosbyton, TX (Crosby Co.) Intersection of FM 651 and US 82, 1.5 miles west on US 82 to sale site.

**Tuesday, March 2, 2021..9:30 am**  
**Travis Wilson, Owner (806) 632-9760**

LOCATION: From Wolfforth, TX (Lubbock Co.) Intersection of FM 179 and US 62/82, south 3.8 on FM 179, east 2.5 miles on Woodrow Road (CR7600) south .25 mile on FR ;1630, east .4 mile on FR 7620 to Sale Site. Or From Slide Road FM 1730 and Woodrow Road (CR 7600 Intersection (Sonny's Mart Sinclair Station ) west 2.5 miles on Woodrow Road (CR 7600, south .25 mile on FR 1630 east.4 mile on FR 7620 to Sale Site.

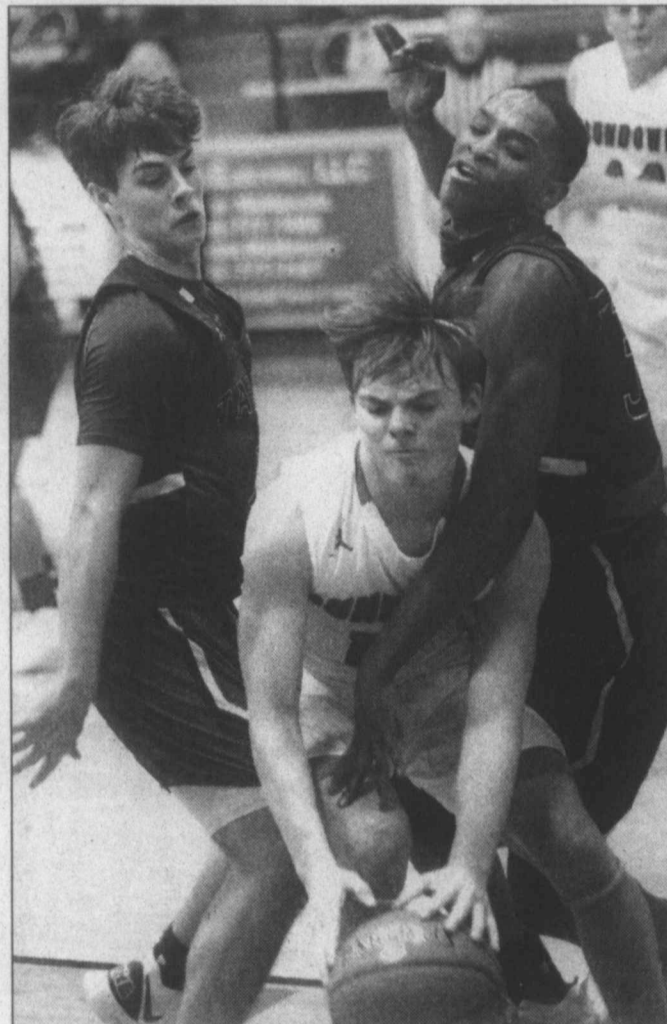
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**Squeeze Play ... Tahoka's Cason Resendez, left, and Branyn Fluellen, right, put the old squeeze play on a Sundown player, in bi-district action held in Shallowater last week. The Bulldogs lost to the Roughnecks 43-34, ending their playoff run.**  
(LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

**Area News**

**LISD seeking legal advice regarding 2021 Prom**

LAMESA - When students from Lamesa High School Class of 2020 were heading toward graduation, they had to forgo the usual festivities seniors enjoy in their final months of the school year. There was no prom and no senior breakfast, and the traditional May graduation ceremony was pushed back until June.

Everything changed when COVID-19 hit Dawson County 11 months ago.

Lamesa school board members discussed last Tuesday the possibility of allowing this year's seniors to attend prom in the spring.

Other senior events like Painting the Wall, Powder Puff, awards assembly and banquets could happen, but with attendance restrictions. The proposed prom would also come with stipulations. Those attending may have to sign release forms, protecting the district from liability, just to get in.

The board, taking recommendations from the high school Leadership Team, were hopeful about a prom, but asked for a legal representative to review the district's potential liability of hosting a school dance during a pandemic.

"We're at a different place than we were last year," said LISD Supt. Jim Knight. "I think let him (the attorney) give us guidance in that."

-from The Lamesa Press-Reporter

**Area News ...**

News items from area newspapers

**The Pieceful Quilter to offer supplies, classes for sewing lovers**

SLATON - Quilting enthusiasts, mask makers or sewing enthusiasts in Slaton no longer have to drive to Lubbock or other town to pick up supplies. The Pieceful Quilter, located at 160 S. 8th St. in Slaton, opened its doors Feb. 23 for customers.

Owner Sukie Nemeth said she opened up the store because she was looking for something to do.

"When I first left Mississippi where I was for 17 years I left behind an Arts Council that I'd founded and was executive director of, and a pretty thriving soap business," she said. "I sold at the local farmers market and I'd been featured in a local magazine there for it."

After the Covid-19 Pandemic struck, she decided to change from the soap business to the quilting business.

Nemeth said she and her boyfriend then started remodeling the front of a building for the shop, by themselves, adding cabinets and countertops as well as knocking out walls to open up space. She received a façade grant from SEDCO to do building improvements.

Among the items being offered for sale include various prints of fabric, microbial fabric and panels that are pre-designed with funny sayings for masks, the materials for completing a variety of sewing projects, and other items.

In addition to selling fabric and sewing notions, she also is planning to offer classes.

The Pieceful Quilter will be open from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and Saturday from 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

-from The Slatonite

**K-Bobs temporarily relocates; opens as La Mesa Steakhouse**

LAMESA - With the local K-Bob's steakhouse still closed as the result of a fire three months ago, employees of the business are once again serving meals - albeit under a different name, another location and with a limited menu.

The restaurant's 22 staff members have resumed working with the recent opening of La Mesa Steakhouse, located in the former country club building at 2002 S. Hwy. 87 in Lamesa.

Relocating temporarily to another site kept the employees working and employed, said K-Bob's owner Sid Strebeck of Clovis, NM.

The steakhouse still has K-Bob's menu of steaks and hamburgers. People can dine in or staff can take phone orders at (806) 601-3509 for take-outs. The restaurant is open from 11 a.m. until 9 p.m. every day.

A November 14 fire at K-Bob's severely damaged the banquet room and back area. Work is about to get underway to restore and renovate the building. Strebeck's goal is to have the work completed in about three months. Once the restaurant is reopened, the steakhouse at the old country club will be closed.

-from The Lamesa Press-Reporter

**Enrollment now open for international cotton school**

LAMESA - Enrollment for the 40th session of the Texas International Cotton School, scheduled for Aug. 2-12, 2021, in Lubbock, is now open. Social distancing guidelines will be followed, and the class size has been restricted to 10 students this year, on a first come, first serve basis of full tuition payment.

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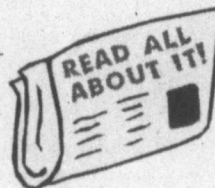
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c/o: Kyra K. Blankenship  
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## Tahoka Bulldogs do well at Seagraves powerlifting meet

The Tahoka High School boys powerlifting team brought home two first place finishes at the Seagraves powerlifting meeting held Saturday, Feb. 20, along with two 2nd place finishes.

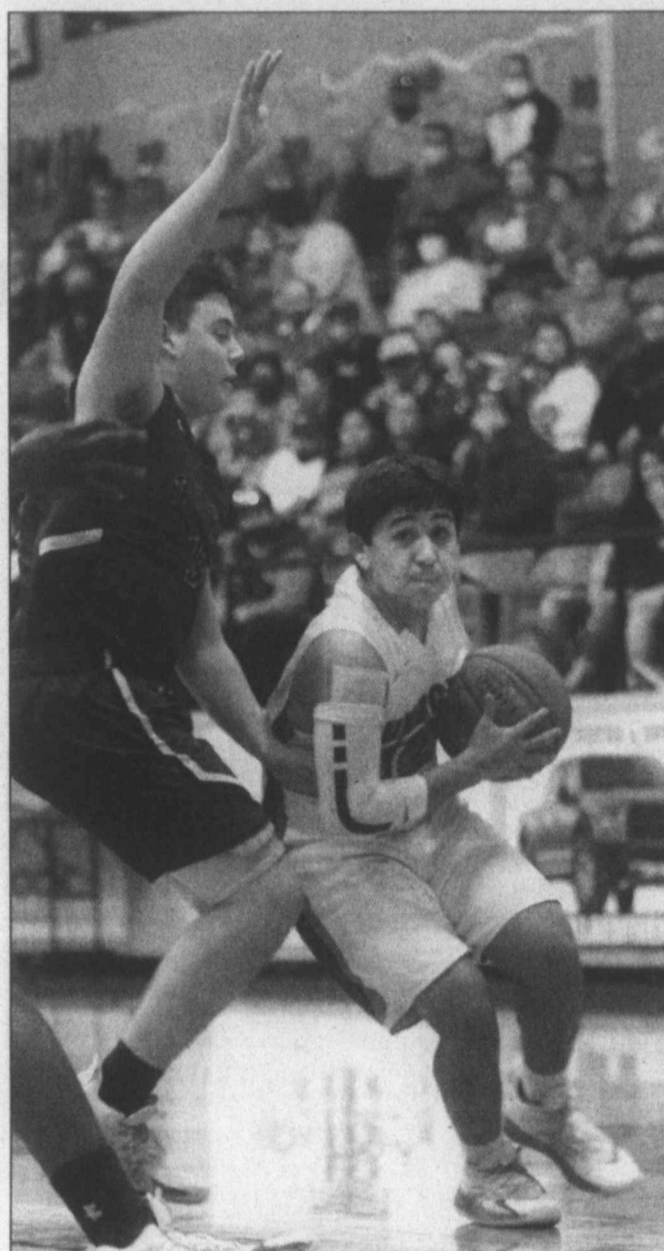
Alex Tew won 1st place in the 220-pound weight class with a total of 1110 pounds, lifting 405 pounds in the squat competition, 235 in the bench, and 470 pounds in the deadlift event. Also finishing in 1st place was Kade Hurt in the 308-pound weight class with a total of 995 pounds, including 425 squat, 185 bench, and 385 deadlift.

Second place finishers were Zephen Schussler in the 220-lb. weight class with 845 total pounds lifted, including 275 squat, 190 bench, and

380 deadlift; and Jon'Dylan Rodriquez in the 242-lb. weight class with 1045 total pounds lifted, including 370 squat, 250 bench, and 425 deadlift.

Adiryn Herevia finished 4th in the 165-lb. weight class with 790 total pounds lifted, including 310 squat, 160 bench, and 320 deadlift. Paxtyn Gwin finished 5th in the 148-lb. weight class with 815 total pounds lifted, including 285 squat, 200 bench, and 330 deadlift.

"We had a pretty good day and we had some guys increase their totals so they can advance to the Regional Meet at Sundown on Thursday, March 11th. The last qualifier will be this week at Sundown," said Coach Kent Allison.



Sic 'em ... Bryson Stone, #30 for Tahoka, guards the lane in playoff action in Shallowater, in 2A Bi-District action against Sundown. The Roughnecks won 43-37.

(LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

## Police report ...

(Continued from page 1)

on the lookout for anyone needing assistance, and also checked on employees at local convenience and grocery stores. Police also conducted several welfare checks on residents whose family members were concerned about their safety, and contacted Adult Protective Services for one individual who requested healthcare services.

A resident in the 2100 block of N. 4th reported a possible gas leak at 9 a.m. Feb. 16, and said that the pop-off valve on the gas meter outside the home was spewing. Police contacted Atmos Energy to respond to the home. Another possible gas leak was reported on Saturday from an apartment complex in the 1700 block of S. 3rd.

Other calls to police included a report of a scam telephone call purportedly from Social Security threatening arrest of an individual if payment was not made, reports of reckless drivers, suspicious vehicles, a complaint of loud music, and domestic disturbances.

Police responded to a convenience store at Lockwood and Ave. L at 2 a.m. Saturday for a report of a theft, where an employee identified an underage male who had reportedly taken a 30-pack of beer without paying for it. Police located the male and issued a citation for theft under \$100.

At 11 p.m. Friday, Feb. 19, police were called to the 2100 block of Ave. K where a resident reported a fuse box on fire outside the home. Tahoka Volunteer Fire Dept. also responded to the scene.

A caller at 11 p.m. Friday reported several juveniles running through his yard and knocking on windows, and told police he had video footage of the incident in the 1800 block of N. 3rd. Police located the juveniles and issued a warning.

## Did you know?

• A snail can sleep for three years.

## Did you know?

- Christian Bale reportedly studied Tom Cruise's mannerisms to prepare for his role as serial killer Patrick Bateman in American Psycho.
- Gene Autry is the only person to be awarded stars in all five categories on the Hollywood Walk of Fame (film, television, music, radio, and live performance).
- The word "PEZ" comes from the German word for peppermint - Pfefferminz.
- There is a Boring, Oregon and a Dull, Scotland. They have been sister cities since 2012.
- The term "soccer" does not originate in America. The word is from Britain, where it was derived from a short form of "Association Football."
- Defeated only once in roughly 300 matches, President Abraham Lincoln was inducted into the National Wrestling Hall Of Fame in 1992.
- The Sahara is the largest non-polar desert in the world. It is comparable in size to China or the United States.
- It's been said that nearly 3% of the ice in Antarctic glaciers is penguin urine.
- Valles Marineris, a canyon on Mars, would stretch from Los Angeles to the Atlantic coast if it were on Earth.
- Americans consume around 150 million hot dogs on 4th of July each year.

## Sundown ends playoff run for the Tahoka Bulldogs

Post-season play for the Tahoka Bulldogs ended in the bi-district round of 2A UIL boys basketball playoffs last Friday, when the Sundown Roughnecks claimed the bi-district title with a 43-37 win.

The Bulldogs, who won the fourth place seed to advance to the playoffs in 2A District 6, played Sundown at 6:30 p.m. Friday at Shallowater in bi-district action. Sundown led by only 5 points, 15-10, at the end of the first quarter, but held the Bulldogs to only 3 points in the second, to lead 22-13 at the half. The Bulldogs rallied

in the third quarter, outscoring Sundown 13-8 to close the gap to a mere 4 points going into the fourth, trailing 30-26. The Roughnecks maintained their lead by a small margin in the fourth, despite a valiant effort by the Bulldogs, and won the game 43-37.

Branyn Fluellen led scoring for Tahoka with 12 points, and Cason Resendez added 9, Nate Castillo had 7, Jonathan Renteria 6, and Soul Moore 4.

The loss put an end to Tahoka's post-season run. The Bulldogs were 9-17 for the season.

## A look back at ... Woodwork

(Reprinted from the past)

Dalton Wood



WHEN THE Donkey Controllers Union goes on strike, I suppose the donkeys run amok, killing people right and left because there is nobody to keep them in line.

This is an assumption based on one of the items in a list called "trivia," which someone sent to me. Although the list of trivia items is interesting, there are a couple, including the donkey statement, which I just can't accept. The statement said:

"Donkeys kill more people annually than plane crashes."

Personally I never heard of anyone being killed by a donkey. I haven't even seen a donkey in about 25 years (at a donkey ball game, where civic club members tried to ride donkeys around the base paths, completely unaware that these donkeys are just looking for a chance to kill them).

I just find it hard to believe that donkeys kill several hundred people every year, unless maybe the danger from donkeys is a lot higher in places 'way down south of here, like Belize, Guatemala or Presidio. Or maybe on the island of Bora Bora every time a native pauses in his plowing to look up at an airplane and mutters "what's that thing?" he is kicked to death by his donkey.

Most of the trivia things probably are true. A few are questionable, and a few more just plain unbelievable, including:

"A duck's quack doesn't echo. And no one knows why." (We need to test this by putting a duck inside a shower stall.)

"One in every four Americans has appeared on television." (Even counting TV scanning of crowds at athletic events, I doubt this is true.)

Among the other interesting items: Adolph Hitler's mother seriously considered having an abortion, but was talked out of it by her doctor.

Marilyn Monroe had six toes. (It doesn't say whether on one foot, or three on each, or what).

American car horns beep in the tone of F. No piece of paper can be folded more than 7 times. Dentists recommend that a toothbrush be kept at least 6 feet from a toilet to avoid airborne particles resulting from the flush. (Good grief).

You burn more calories sleeping than you do watching TV. (My wife does both at once).

The king of hearts is the only king without a mustache.

A 747's wingspan is longer than the Wright brothers' first flight.

Apples, not caffeine, are more efficient at waking you up in the morning.

Most dust particles in your house are made from dead skin. (Whose? I want to know).

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Walt Disney was afraid of mice.

-- from March 2001



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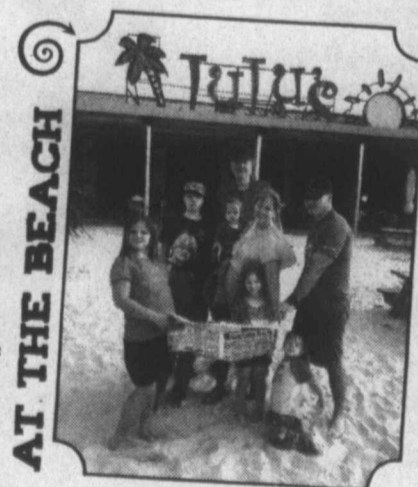
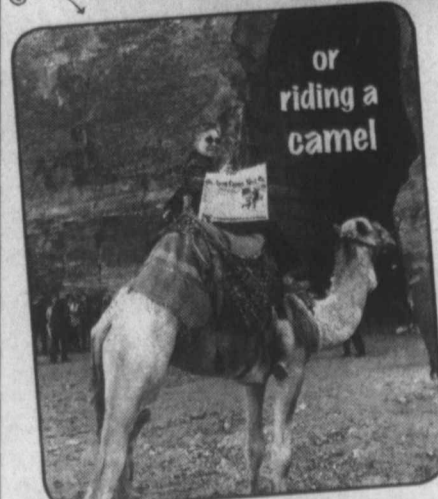
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