



ANOTHER GOLD BALL ...

New Home ISD's Lady Leopards won the Regional Quarterfinal championship last Tuesday with a 61-42 win over Sundown, in girls 2A UIL basketball playoffs. A tough Panhandle team overpowered them in the Semifinals, ending their playoff run, but it was an outstanding 2020-21 season for the Lady Leopards.

(LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

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Did you know?

- Tootsie Rolls were used as part of the rations for World War II soldiers.
- The French territory of Louisiana was purchased by the U.S. in 1803 for roughly four cents per acre.
- A pluot is a hybrid between a plum and an apricot.
- The U.S. Supreme Court has previously ruled that tomatoes are vegetables.
- In 2009, Scottish scientists searching for the Loch Ness Monster found 100,000 golf balls instead.
- Barry Manilow's hit, "I Write the Songs", wasn't written by him.

COVID UPDATE:

FEB. 26 SPPHD UPDATE:

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

Lynn County total cases: 607
5 Active - 594 Recovered - 8 Deaths

WHAT'S OUTSIDE

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Feb 23	79	31	
Feb 24	62	31	
Feb 25	48	27	
Feb 26	65	27	
Feb 27	77	35	
Feb 28	59	36	
Mar 1	45	26	

(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"

Panhandle ends Lady Leopards playoff run at regional semis

by JUANELL JONES

The Panhandle Pantherettes brought a full-on fast-paced in-your-face basketball attack to New Home's Lady Leopards at the 2A Regional Semifinal playoffs last Friday. The "Ettes" overpowered the Lady Leopards 70-43 in the match held at the Dimmitt High School gym, ending New Home's postseason playoff run.

New Home had advanced to the semifinal round after beating Sundown 61-42 in the girls regional quarterfinals last Tuesday.

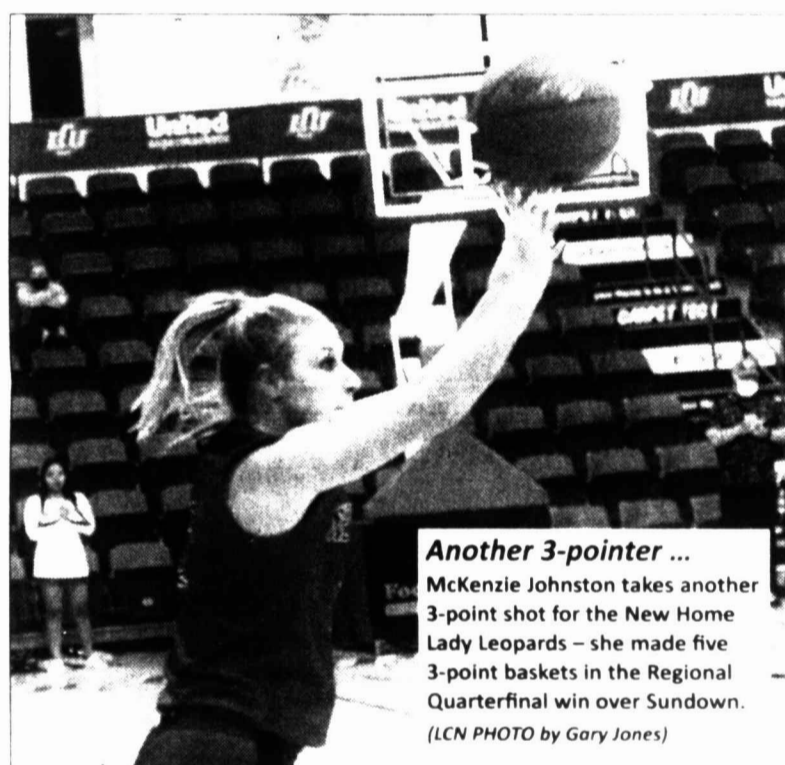
It was an outstanding 2020-21 season for Coach Stacy Manning's Lady Leopard squad, who won the gold trophies for District, Bi-District, Area, and Regional Quarter-

finals. They were undefeated in 2A District 6 (7-0) and were 20-9 for the season.

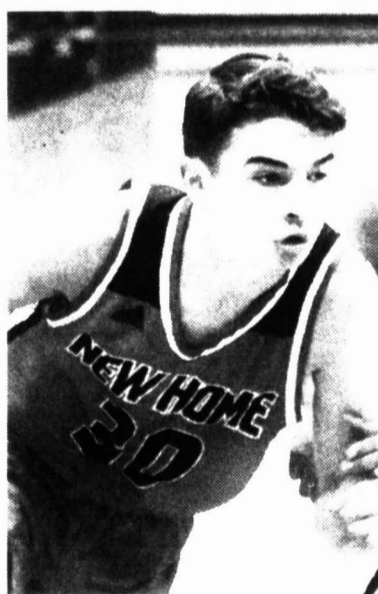
The Ettes took control of Friday's ballgame right from the get-go, attaining a 10-2 lead midway through the first period, with the Lady Leopards keeping pace on the floor but unable to find the basket, missing the mark on many attempts. Panhandle had a 19-9 lead going into the second quarter, and increased their margin to 13 points by halftime, leading 33-20.

The Ettes kept the pressure on the Leopards in the second half, and found their sweet spot with

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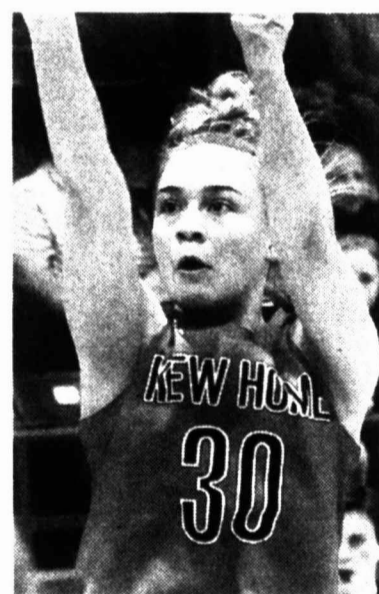
Another 3-pointer ...
McKenzie Johnston takes another 3-point shot for the New Home Lady Leopards - she made five 3-point baskets in the Regional Quarterfinal win over Sundown.
(LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)



REAGAN FIEDLER (#30)
Overall Co-MVP



RYAN WEEKS (#2)
Overall Co-MVP



KELBY BACCUS (#30)
Overall MVP



ADDY BURNS (#12)
Newcomer of the Year

New Home standouts get All-District MVPs, Newcomer of Year honors

It was a good year for the New Home boys and girls hoop squads, with both teams leading their districts in Class 2A District 6, and advancing to post-season playoff runs. This week, the All-District basketball honors were released, and New Home players topped both the boys and girls lists.

New Home standouts Reagan Fiedler (sophomore) and Ryan Weeks (senior) were named Overall Co-Most Valuable Players in District 6-2A All-District boys basketball honors, and in the Girls Division for District 6-2A, Kelby Baccus, a New Home sophomore, was named Overall MVP, and Addy Burns, a freshman for New Home, was named Newcomer of the Year.

In the boys division, three other New Home players and four Tahoka standouts also made the all-district lists.

From New Home, Jordan Moore (junior), Trevor Wilson (senior) and Trey Evans (soph) made the All-District players list, and Moore was also named to the Defensive All-District Players.

From Tahoka, Soul Moore (senior), Nate Castillo (senior), and

Cason Resendez (soph) were named to the All-District Players list, and Jonathan Renteria (senior) made the Defensive All-District Players list.

In the Girls Division, New Home Lady Leopards Addie Stewart (soph), McKenzie Johnston (junior), Abi Cathey (soph) and M'Kenna McFadden (senior) were named All-District Players, and Leeya Garcia (junior) was on the Defensive All-District list.

Tahoka players making the All-District Players list included Brooklyn Harris (freshman), and Miranda DelLeon (soph) made the Defensive All-District Players list.

Tahoka and New Home athletes also made the 2020-21 Academic

All-District Basketball Players list.

Tahoka Lady Bulldogs on the academic list included Marisol Morin, Madison Rose, Zoie Garvin, Miranda DelLeon, Nataly Taylor, Brooklyn Harris and Kaycee Swinford. Bulldogs on the Academic list included Nate Castillo, Jonathan Renteria, Branyon Fluellen, Bryson Stone, Cason Resendez, and Matthew Stone.

New Home Leopards on the Academic list included Ryan Weeks, Jordan Moore, Jake Tabor, Kadence Power, Reagan Fiedler, Trey Evans, and Brazos Beck.

The academic list for the New Home Lady Leopards was not yet available.



DID YOU KNOW?

“

A sneeze travels out your mouth at over 100 m.p.h.
Yikes! Cover your nose and mouth when you sneeze!

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Senior Citizens LUNCH MENU

March 8-12

- Monday:** Beef enchiladas, borracha beans, Spanish rice, coleslaw, apricots
- Tuesday:** Salisbury steak, diced potatoes, English peas, fruit salad
- Wednesday:** Oven fried chicken breast, bow tie pasta, broccoli raisin salad, fruit cocktail
- Thursday:** Smothered pork chops, southwest potatoes, squash casserole, carrot & raisin salad, sliced peaches
- Friday:** Breaded fish on a bun, potatoes wedges, coleslaw, peach chantilly

This Month in History...

March 1, 1781 Formal ratification of the Articles of Confederation was announced by Congress. Under the Articles, Congress was the sole governing body of the new American national government, consisting of the 13 original states. The Articles remained in effect through the Revolutionary War until 1789, when the current U.S. Constitution was adopted.

Obituaries



Robert Lee Mims Sr.

Morning has landed, and Robert Lee Mims Sr. prepared breakfast for his two boys Robert, Jr., and Tracey. This was his routine before he started his day as a truck driver. As a single father, he took pride in taking care of his son's teaching them to be responsible men. Men that kept their word and knew how to survive and fin for themselves and their families.

It was a hot day in O'Donnell, a small west Texas town. The news was filled with the onset of WWII yet; the story in O'Donnell was the birth of baby Robert Lee Mims to Jewell Lee Mims and Robert Q. Calicutt. Robert Lee was one of seven children. His brothers and sister were Robert Louis, Charlene, Jan, Deanie Larry, and Janell.

Growing up in west Texas was filled with adventures farming, fishing, and hunting; however, Robert wanted more. Upon graduating from Dumar High School, he enlisted into the military to serve his country. Nevertheless, upon hearing of the birth of his first son Robert, Jr., he was sent home. At which point Robert, Jr., became his priority. Several years later, leading by example, he adopted a second son Tracey. Robert provided for his family, working for over twenty years for the City of Odessa, Texas, more the ten years for the City of Lovington, New Mexico as a truck driver. Not one to sit still on one occasion of his retirement, he began to deliver meals to the elderly and shut-in for Caring Meals.

Robert loved fishing; he fished on the bottom for those large Catfish and would hunt for rabbits teaching his boys how to fish, hunt, and dress their game. As a big basketball fan, Robert was impressed by one of the game's greatest players. He would maintain that Bill Russell was the best because no other player had led their team to eleven championships played and coached at the same time. Robert was a fan of the music of the '50s and '60s in awe of Tina Turner and loved the sound of the Nat King Cole, Little Richard, the Platters, and The Drifters.

His mother, Jewell Mims and father Robert Q. Calicutt, and son Tracey Mims, along with brother Deanie and sister Janell, preceded him in death.

As time would have it, Thursday, February 18, 2021, Robert transitioned from the highways, fishing holes, and hunting fields on earth. Leaving a legacy of commitment and love for his son Robert Lee Jr. (Janie) Mims, grandchildren Monica (Samuel) Hurtado, Mayra (Jaime) Perales, and Mireya Quiroz, and Horacio Olives; brother Robert Louis Calicutt; sisters Charlene Green, and Jan Calicutt.

No services have been scheduled at this time. Arrangements are entrusted to Acres West Funeral Chapel and condolences to the family may be sent online at acreswestfuneral.com.



Martin Villarreal

Martin Villarreal, 82, of Wilson, passed away Saturday, February 27, 2021.

Viewing was held from 10:00 am -5:00 pm Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at Englands in Slaton. Graveside Services will be at 10:30 am Thursday, March 4, 2021 at Green Memorial Park in Wilson. Social distancing and mask are required to attend. Arrangements are by Englands Funeral Service of Slaton.

Martin was born January 22, 1939 in Edinburg to Doroteo and Angelita Villarreal. He moved to Wilson in 1953 and he married Olivia Ramirez on September 19, 1965. They worked as migrant workers in Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa and Indiana before settling in Wilson in 1979. He then worked for Texas Pellet Mill in New Home for several years before going to work for Sorghum Partners in New Deal and retired in 2011. He

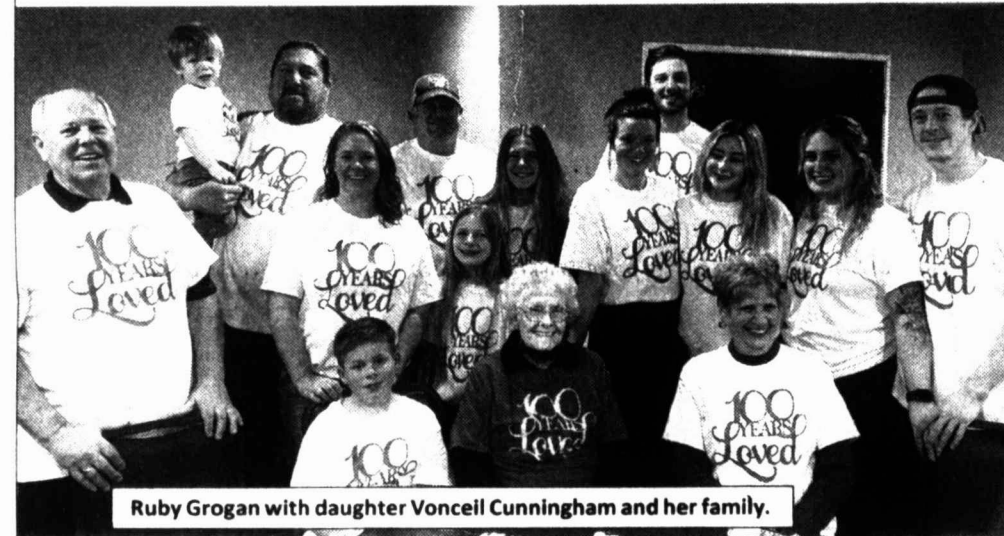
CENTENARIAN Former resident Grogan celebrates 100th birthday



Ruby Grogan with son Gary Grogan and all his family.



Ruby Grogan with daughter Lana Ham and all her family.



Ruby Grogan with daughter Vonceil Cunningham and her family.

Celebrating Ruby's 100th Birthday!

loved to BBQ and did so for the church in Wilson for many years. He also loved the outdoors and fishing.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother; and seven sisters.

Martin is survived by his wife, Olivia of Wilson; his daughters, Cynthia Lerma and her husband, Isidro of Vienna, GA, SanJuanita Liza Pacheco of Wilson, Rosa Maria Villarreal and Joey Bustamonte of Odessa; his sons, Robert Villarreal and his wife, Juneane of Tahoka, Martin Villarreal and Tonya Melton of Wilson, and Stephen Villarreal of Wilson; his sisters, Delia One-ta of Los Angeles, CA, Janie Tanner and her husband, Joe of Iowa; his brothers, Ben Villarreal and his wife, Tammy of Imperial, NE, Tony Villarreal and his wife, Connie of Wilson; eight grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Ruby Grogan, a longtime former resident of Tahoka, celebrated her 100th birthday on February 18, 2021. All of her family (34) attended the special event in Amarillo.

Ruby has a son, Gary Grogan, and two daughters, Vonceil Grogan Cunningham and Lana Kay Grogan Ham and their spouses, five grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandson.

"The family gathered in a prayer of thanks for this wonderful Mom and Nannie and each shared their love for her with their favorite memory of growing up as one of Nannie's kids. Then we sang her song she taught all of us, 'You Are My Sunshine'. She sang right along with all of us," said daughter Vonceil Cunningham. Ruby and G.W. (Satch)

Grogan moved to Lynn County in 1948. He farmed from 1948 to 1996. Ruby enjoyed working with the Senior adults, planning trips and activities for them. The family were members of the First Baptist church in Tahoka. Ruby moved to Amarillo to be close to her son and daughter in 2008. She lives at Craig Retirement Center and says she is very thankful for the wonderful family and many friends God has blessed her with all these years.

Residents urged to self-report storm damages

Following the impact of the February 2021 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, by phone or online.

To report online, visit DAMAGE.TDEM.TEXAS.GOV; or to report by phone call 844-844-3089 between the hours of 8 a.m.-8 p.m., seven days a week.

Anyone who sustained damage to a home or business as a result of the winter storm, is asked to utilize the website or report by phone to submit a damage survey.

- Did you know?*
- Women blink nearly twice as much as men.
 - The word "orange" was first used to describe the fruit, not the color.

FROM TAHOKA CITY HALL ...

We are beginning to spray all of the City of Tahoka properties including the Mini Park, City Hall, Life Enrichment Center and the Mural Park. Please keep children and pets off the grass for 24-36 hours after application.

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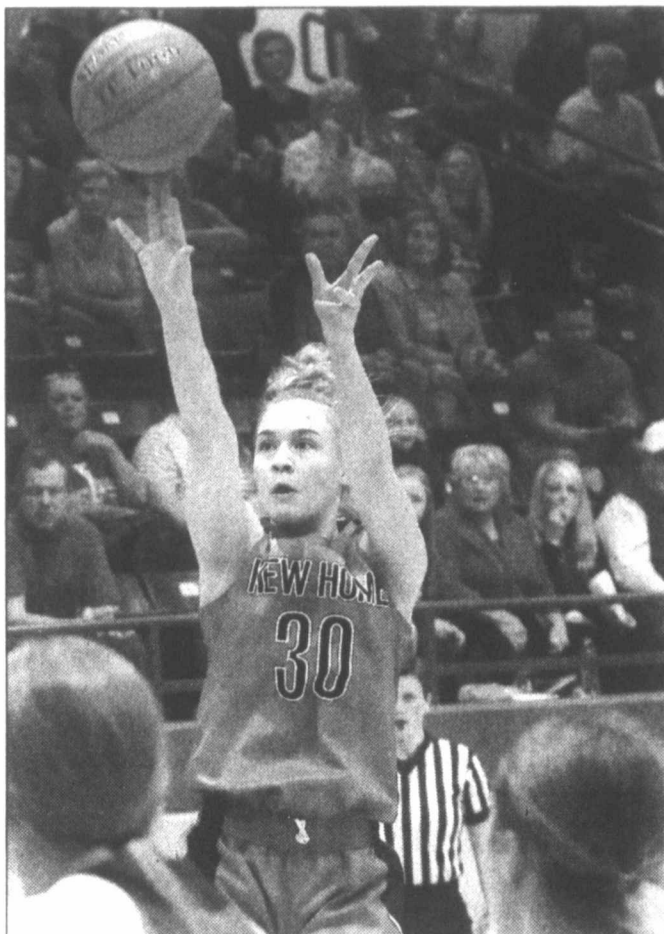
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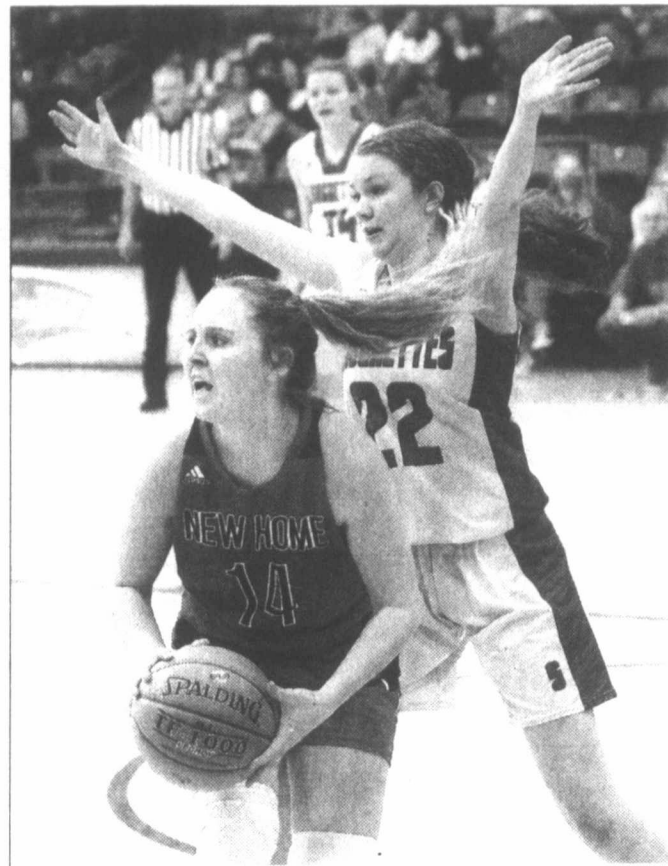
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Taking it in ... New Home's Morgan Addison handles the ball as she goes around a Sundown player in the Regional Quarterfinals last Tuesday. The Lady Leopards were the 2A Regional Quarterfinal Champions with a 61-42 victory.
(LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)



Bingo ... Kelby Baccus (#30 for New Home) hits a three pointer at the 2A Girls Regional Semifinals at Dimmit. Panhandle won 70-43, knocking the Lady Leopards out of their playoff run.
(LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)



Lady Leopards win ... New Home's M'Kenna McFadden looks to pass the ball in the Lady Leopards Regional Quarterfinal win last Tuesday over Sundown.
(LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

Lady Leopards ...

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numerous 3-point baskets, to increase their lead to a 22-point margin, leading 53-31 going into the final quarter. The Leopards kept up the battle, but were unable to close the gap, and the Panhandle Ettes won 70-43 to claim the title and advance in the playoffs.

"We are so proud of our Lady Leopards for battling in their 43-70 loss to #2 Panhandle," said Coach Manning. "We knew going into the game that we had an uphill challenge ahead of us. Panhandle is a team of veterans, determined to getting back to state after losing to Gruver in the Regional Finals last season."

Kelby Baccus was high-scorer for the Lady Leopards with 16 points, and was the only Leopard scoring in the double figures. Addie Stewart added 8, McKenzie Johnston had 7 and Addy Burns 6,

with Leeya Garcia and Carley Smith also contributing baskets.

"Despite the challenge, our girls held their heads high and fought to push past their limits every offensive and defensive possession. Our girls represented their community and school with class and grace. We are so proud of who they are and are excited to see all that they accomplish in the future," said Coach Manning.

New Home 61-42 Sundown in Regional Quarterfinals

The New Home Lady Leopards got another gold ball as Regional Quarterfinal Champions in 2A UIL girls basketball playoffs last Tuesday night, beating Sundown 61-42 to advance to the Regional Semifinals.

Coach Manning's Leopard squad were hot in the 3-point range, scoring half of their points in 10 long-range 3-point baskets, five of those

by McKenzie Johnston, who had 17 points for the night. Kelby Baccus had two of the 3-pointers as well, and was high scorer for the Lady Leopards with 18 points.

Sundown took an early lead in the first quarter, leading 8-2 before New Home rallied and then led 12-11 at the end of the period. It was evenly matched in the second quarter, with New Home behind by one at the half, 24-25.

The Lady Leopards owned the second half, outscoring Sundown 15-9 in the third quarter, and by the fourth period the Leopard's offense and defense were really hot, holding Sundown to only 8 points while New Home added another 20 points for the big win.

"Very proud of our kids

for battling through some early game adversity," said Coach Manning. "Cold shooting and a scrappy Sundown defense made scoring difficult in the first half. Lady Leopards also had four players get into early foul trouble.

"Our girls really did a phenomenal job of keeping their heads up. They made necessary defensive adjustments, and committed to attacking in transition to slowly extend their lead late in the third and into the final minutes of the game," she added.

Did you know?

• During your lifetime, you will spend around 38 days brushing your teeth. This equals out to about 35.5 days in total.

Christoval dashes Leopards' hopes in 2A Area basketball playoffs

The New Home Leopards finished an outstanding hoops season earlier than they had hoped for, bowing out to Christoval in the Area round of 2A boys basketball playoffs last Tuesday night. Christoval won 60-54 to claim the Area title and advance to the next round, despite a valiant effort by the Leopards.

Ryan Weeks had an incredible 30 points to lead the Leopards in scoring for the game.

"Our kids played very hard and had to overcome the loss of district co-MVP Reagan Fiedler to an injury in bi-district," said Coach Koby Abney. "Ryan Weeks was exceptional, keeping us in the game. I'm proud of the kids' effort."

Jordan Moore added 7 points to the score, and had

3 assists and 3 steals. Trevor Wilson had 5 points and 6 rebounds, and Brazos Beck had 5 points and 3 rebounds.

The Leopards finished 15-3 for the season, were undefeated in 2A District 6 (8-0), and claimed the Bi-District title with an 81-31 win over Morton.

In the Bi-District round, Jordan Moore led scoring with 18 points, 3 rebounds and 5 steals. Reagan Fiedler had 16 points, 3 rebounds and 3 assists, Ryan Weeks had 15 points and 5 rebounds, and Trevor Wilson added 4 points and had 8 rebounds.

"This was a total team effort. It was a great shooting night and we did a great job taking care of the ball against their different defensive pressures," said Coach Abney.

Congratulations!

NEW HOME LEOPARDS
ON A
TERRIFIC
SEASON
DISTRICT & BI-DISTRICT CHAMPIONS!



ROSTER:

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|------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| #2 Ryan Weeks | #3 Trey Evans | #4 Kaden Gray |
| #5 Trevor Wilson | #10 Brazos Beck | #12 Kadence Power |
| #13 Jordan Moore | #20 Holt Heinrich | #21 Jake Tabor |
| #24 Ryan Bundy | #25 Jackson Martinez | #30 Reagan Fiedler |
| #32 Dane Armes | #33 Brady Weeks | |

COACHES:

Head Coach: Koby Abney • Assistant Coach: Pake Freeman & Tanner Mudd

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ROSTER:

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| McKenzie Johnston | Morgan Addison |
| Carley Smith | Addy Burns |
| M'Kenna McFadden | Rebecca Abney |
| Abi Cathey | Addie Stewart |
| Leeya Garcia | Kelby Baccus |

COACHES:

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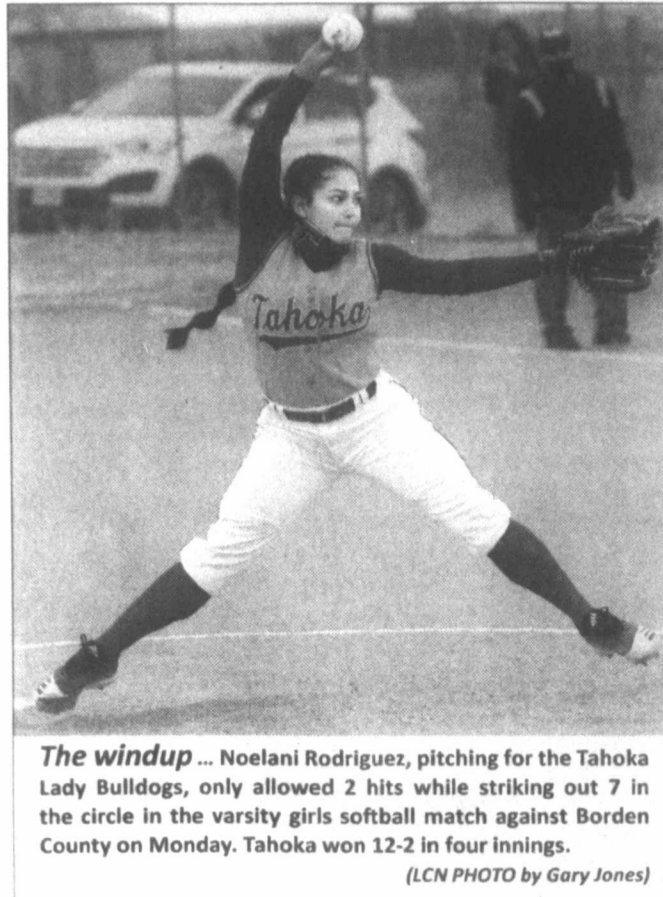
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Commissioners approve disaster declaration

Lynn County Commissioners met in a special session on March 1, at 10:15 a.m., voting to approve a Local Disaster Declaration due to the February winter storm. Commissioners John Hawthorne, Don Blair and Larry Durham all voted in favor of the motion, with commissioner Matt Woodley absent from the meeting. It was noted that both the City of O'Donnell and City of Tahoka had also declared disasters from the storm. The disaster declaration was the only issue on the agenda for consideration, and the meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.



The windup ... Noelani Rodriguez, pitching for the Tahoka Lady Bulldogs, only allowed 2 hits while striking out 7 in the circle in the varsity girls softball match against Borden County on Monday. Tahoka won 12-2 in four innings. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

Two traffic accidents, racing cars, grass fires in law reports for week

by JUANELL JONES
Two traffic accidents occurred in Lynn County during the past week, but no injuries were reported in either incident, and other reports included several grass fires and vehicles racing each other on US 87. On Feb. 24, a two-vehicle accident occurred on US 380 three miles east of Tahoka, involving a collision between a trash truck and a tanker. Lynn County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) deputies and DPS responded to the scene, and both vehicles were towed. On Feb. 28, two vehicles collided at the intersection of 1400 Lockwood and the US 87 Access Road in Tahoka. Shelby Hannum was the driver of a Chevrolet Tahoe that was traveling westbound on Lockwood when it was struck by a Hyundai Elantra traveling southbound on the access road. The driver of the Hyundai, Soyla Liendo, was reportedly issued three citations by Tahoka Police.

for someone to come and pick her up. Police also took a report on March 1 from a woman who said she paid money to a caller who said they represented Social Security and threatened her with arrest if she did not pay, which turned out to be a scam. Police Chief Jeff Parker urges citizens to never give financial information to unsolicited callers, and to report such phone calls to law enforcement.

Relief fund now available for farmers, ranchers

Texas Agriculture Commissioner Sid Miller has announced that the State of Texas Agriculture Relief, or STAR Fund, that his agency manages, now has almost \$150,000 in donated funds available after a severe winter storm crippled the state ag industry and threatened the food supply chain last week. The TDA STAR Fund is comprised of donations from private citizens, corporations and organizations committed to supporting Texas farmers and ranchers. No state money is used in the Fund. Donations to the fund vary in amount, but average \$75 per donation. "The STAR Fund is just another example of how Texans step up to help their fellow Texans," said Miller. "Since the beginning of this crisis I've been warning of the threat to our state agriculture industry and our food supply. Texans have responded as I knew they would, with compassion. Thanks to them, the STAR Fund is able to provide much-needed relief to our ag producers as they fight to regain their footing after this deadly storm."

Softball shuts out Lbk Christian, run-rules Borden Co. in 4 innings

The Tahoka High School Girls Varsity Softball squad began their season on Feb. 22 with a road trip to Abernathy, then hosted Lubbock Christian and Borden County in subsequent home wins. The Lady Bulldogs traveled to Abernathy for the season opener on Feb. 22, with Abernathy taking the win 8-6. The Lady Bulldogs shut out Lubbock Christian High School at home on Friday, Feb. 26, winning 13-0. Tahoka's Noelani Rodriguez threw a complete game shutout, striking out 10. The Lady Bulldogs' offense was on fire as they ended with a .652 batting avg collectively. Marisol Morin led the team with 3 hits and 3 RBI's. Tahoka run-ruled Borden County in four innings, 12-2, in action at home on Monday, March 1. Senior Karlie Swinford led the lady Bulldogs offensively going 2 for 3 with 5 RBI's, including a 3-run homerun in the first inning. Junior Noelani Rodriguez only allowed 2 hits while striking out 7 in the circle. Tahoka will host Ira on Saturday, March 6 at 11 a.m.

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Varsity	JV
Monday	2/22/2021	Away	Abernathy	5:00 PM	
Friday	2/26/2021	Home	Lubbock Christian	5:00 PM	7:00 PM
Monday	3/1/2021	Home	Borden County*	5:00 PM	
Saturday	3/6/2021	Home	Ira*	11:00 AM	
Tuesday	3/9/2021	Away	Hermeligh*	5:00 PM	7:00 PM
Saturday	3/20/2021	Home	Littlefield	12:00 PM	
Tuesday	3/23/2021	Home	Post*	5:00 PM	7:00 PM
Saturday	3/27/2021	Away	Seagraves*	12:00 PM	TBD
Saturday	4/3/2021	Home	Colorado City*	12:00 PM	2:00 PM
Tuesday	4/6/2021	Away	Forsan*	5:00 PM	7:00 PM
Saturday	4/10/2021	Away	Post*	12:00 PM	2:00 PM
Tuesday	4/13/2021	Home	Seagraves*	5:00 PM	TBD
Saturday	4/17/2021	Away	Lubbock Christian	11:00 AM	TBD
Tuesday	4/20/2021	Away	Colorado City*	5:00 PM	7:00 PM
Saturday	4/24/2021	Home	Forsan*	12:00 PM	2:00 PM

TISD ELECTION Dist. 5 Special Election to be canceled, but Regular Election set May 1 for TISD

With the deadline closed on March 1 for filing for a place on the ballot 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, is the only candidate who filed for the Dist. 5 seat on the board. Due to being unopposed, she will be appointed to the District 5 position, and the TISD Board of Trustees will cancel this special election. The regular election,

however, will be held as scheduled on May 1, with five candidates seeking two At-Large seats on the Board of Trustees. Incumbents Clay Taylor and Lea Swinford, and candidates Pablo Herevia, Nathan Paul Garcia, and Mike Rivas have all filed for the two seats. The At-Large positions means that all registered voters residing in the Tahoka Independent School District may cast a ballot for these two seats. Early Voting in this election will be conducted April 19-27.

LCSO received a call reporting two vehicles racing at speeds between 110-120 mph and serving around traffic on US 87 between Lamesa and O'Donnell about 6:30 p.m. Feb. 22, but officers were unable to locate the vehicles. A 200/250 gallon diesel tank was found at the intersection of FM 1317 and FM 1328 at 1:30 p.m. Feb. 23 and reported to LCSO. A deputy picked up the tank and took a report. Tahoka Police responded to several minor calls, including domestic disturbances, a woman complaining of slander (which is a civil issue, not criminal), a property boundary dispute, welfare concerns, a vehicle blocking the road until it could be towed, and a civil standby while a Uhaul company retrieved a vehicle from a residence in Tahoka. A caller reported that a woman was seen trying to get in an empty house in the 2000 block of N. 2nd at 10 a.m. Feb. 27, and an officer responding to the scene spoke to the woman, who said she had been brought to Tahoka to go to a party and was waiting

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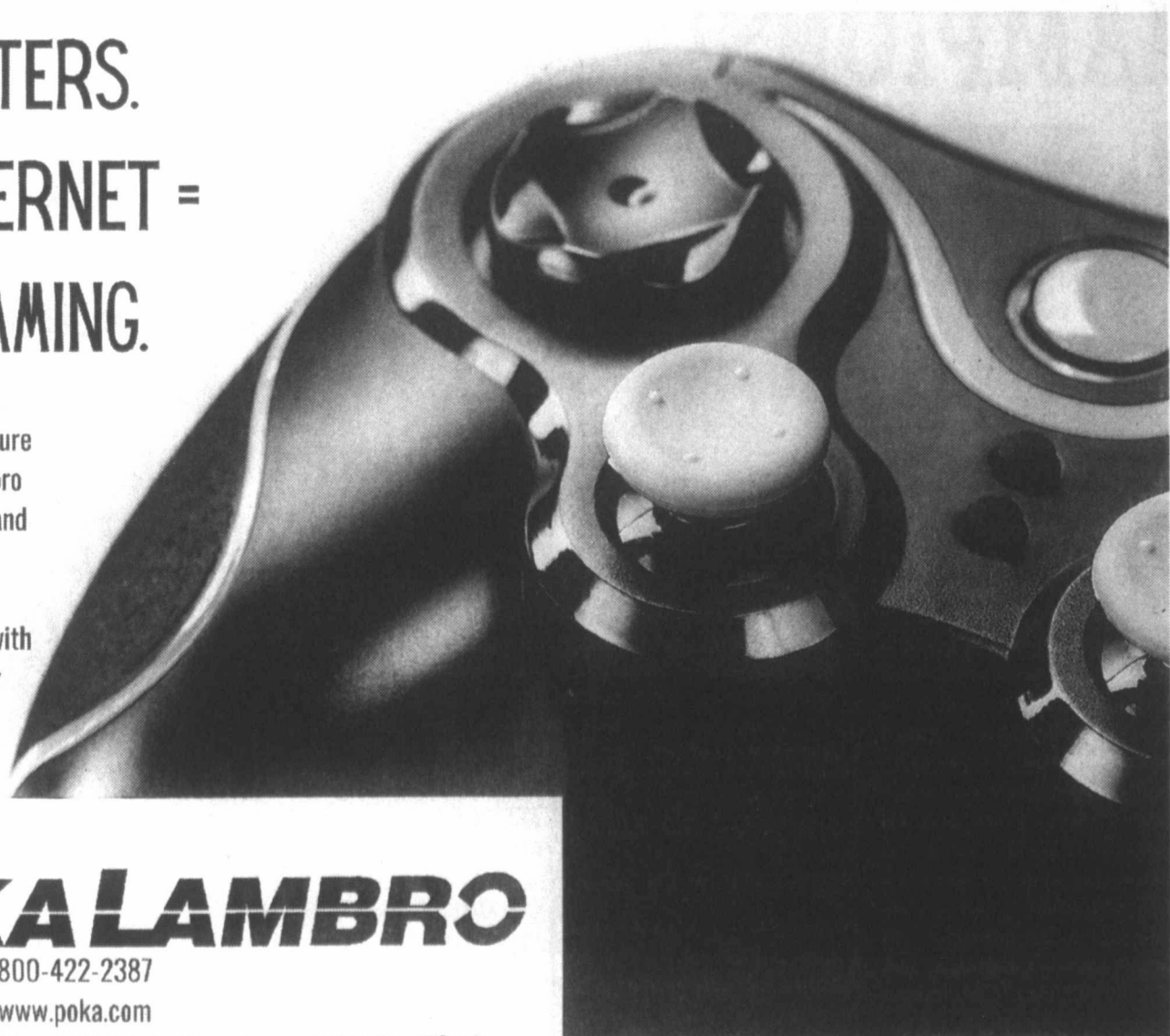
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FOR SALE: Soliciting bids for 2.465 acre tract of land and a 1,442 square foot house located at 1502 Vanham Avenue, Wilson, TX 79381.

SOLICITATION NO: 21-15787-MA

DEADLINE TO RECEIVE BIDS: March 16, 2021 @ 3:00 p.m.

SUBMIT BIDS TO:

Marta Alvarez, Director of Purchasing and Contract Management
City of Lubbock
1314 Avenue K, 9th Floor
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SCOPE:

The City of Lubbock, hereafter referred to as the "City," is accepting sealed bids for the sale of real estate in accordance with the requirements of this solicitation.

The City owns a 2.465 acre tract of land and a 1,442 square foot house located at 1502 Vanham Avenue, Wilson, TX 79381. The City now desires to sell this real property to the highest bidder.

Attached is an Appraisal report dated 9/18/2020, Survey dated 6/22/2020 and No Asbestos Found report dated 10/8/2018.

The property will be sold 'As is no warranty'. Inspection will be scheduled as needed prior to bid due date. A walk through is scheduled for March 5, 2021 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. to R.S.V.P. by calling 806-775-2572.

Purchasing Cooperative of America will receive proposals until 11:00am CT on Thursday, March 18, 2021. RFPs are located through the PCA Website Portal for the City of O'Donnell, Texas, for the following national RFP contracts: (1) PCA OD-340-21 Trades, Equipment, Supplies & Related Items; (2) PCA OD-341-21 Fuel Controller & Management System; (3) PCA OD-342-21 Furniture & Related Items; (4) PCA OD-343-21 Auto, HVAC, MEP, Supply Parts & Related Items; (5) PCA OD-344-21 Signage, Banners, Parts & Related Items; (6) PCA OD-345-21 Art Supplies & Equipment. Go to: www.pcamerica.org/solicitations for more information. Call 844-722-6374 for issues not resolved in 24 hours.

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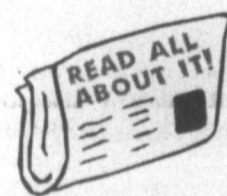
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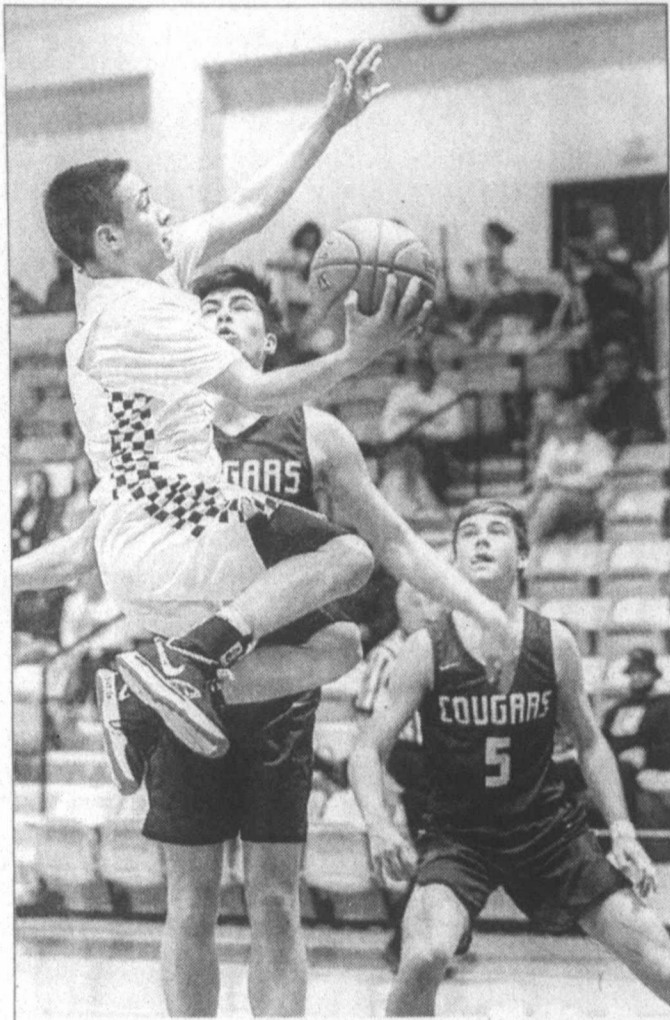
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Going for 2 ... O'Donnell's Blaze Garces goes high for the basket in the Eagles' playoff game against Klondike in 1A Area boys basketball. Klondike took the win, 68-60. Garces, a senior, was named Most Valuable Player on the 6-1A all-district squad. (Photo by Aaron Heath Furlow Photography)

O'Donnell Eagles end hoops run with Area loss to Klondike, 68-60

The O'Donnell High School Eagles ended their post-season playoff run last Tuesday night in the boys 1A basketball playoffs, losing a close match to Klondike, 68-60.

The Eagles were 1A District 6 Champions with a 9-1 record, and drew a bye in the Bi-District round to advance to Area. The loss ended a good season for the Eagles, who were 17-7.

The Eagles were well-paced with the Klondike Cougars in every quarter except for the second, where the Cougars got a 10-point lead

going into the half. It was 19-19 at the end of the first, but O'Donnell scored only 9 points to Klondike's 19 in the second quarter, giving them the advantage going into the second half.

The Eagles rallied in the third quarter, outscoring the Cougars 17-14, but couldn't close the gap in the fourth, with Klondike scoring 16 to O'Donnell's 15 points, for the win.

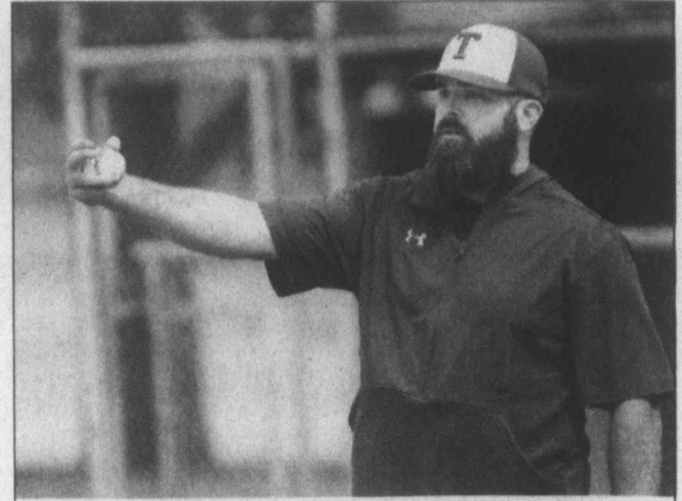
Klondike went on to face Jayton in the Regional Quarterfinals, where they lost by one point, 41-40.

O'Donnell players get top honors in All-District basketball lists

O'Donnell High School's basketball squads captured top honors in District 6-1A All-District basketball lists. Blaze Garces, a senior, was named Most Valuable Player in the boys division, and senior Jochi Rodriguez was one of two Co-Defensive MVPs, along with Kaden Parraz from Petersburg. Maddy Summers, a senior for the O'Donnell Lady Eagles, was also named a Co-MVP in the girls division, along with Clarissa Salinas from Lorenzo.

Yatzel Renteria, a freshman on the Lady Eagles squad, was named Co-Newcomer of the Year in District 6-1A, along with Marianna Garcia from Lorenzo.

Other O'Donnell players named to the All-District lists on the boys squad were Robert Zavala (junior), John Resendez (junior), and Conlin Small (senior). All-District players from the Lady Eagles included Emily Renteria (senior), and Juanita Renteria (junior).



It's baseball season ... Josh Barnett, a new coach for Tahoka High School baseball, gives out instructions to his team Saturday during practice. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

2021 Tahoka Bulldog Baseball

Opponent	Home/Away	Dates	Times
Ropes	H	March 2	5:00 PM
Morton	A	March 6	12:00 PM
Open		March 9th	
Smyer	H	March 13	12:00 PM
New Home	A	March 15	12:00 PM
Seagraves	H	March 20	12:00 PM
O'Donnell	A	March 23	4:00 PM
Borden County	H	March 27	7:30 PM
Sundown	A	March 30	5:00 PM
Ropes	A	April 3	12:00 PM
Morton	H	April 6	6:00 PM
Open		April 9	
Smyer	A	April 13	4:00 PM
New Home	H	April 17	12:00 PM
Seagraves	A	April 20	5:00 PM
O'Donnell	H	April 24	7:00 PM
Borden County	A	April 27	5:00 PM
Sundown	H	April 30	6:00 PM

Area News from area newspapers

Lamesa's Chicken Fried Steak Festival features country, Tejano music

LAMESA - An international cumbia group and an up-an-coming country band will be headlining the slate of musical entertainment at Lamesa's annual Chicken Fried Steak Festival.

The festival, featuring a wide array of activities over a four-day period, is scheduled for April 22-25 at Forrest Park and the surrounding area.

The festival is sponsored

by the City of Lamesa, with assistance from the Lamesa Area Chamber of Commerce.

Country music will be the focus of the musical entertainment on Friday night, April 23, with the Caleb Young Band taking the spotlight.

Erick y su Grupo Massore will be the featured entertainment the following evening, when the focus will be on Tejano music.

Also, on the schedule Friday night are Morgan Reatherford and County Road 9. Reatherford, a singer-songwriter from Merkel, performed at the Cottonpalooza music festival here last fall and was the featured entertainer at last year's banquet of the Lamesa Area Chamber of Commerce.

- from The Lamesa Press-Reporter



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You're outta here ... Kaidance Rodriguez tags out a runner during the Bulldogs' baseball practice on Saturday. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

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