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WHAT'S OUTSIDE

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Apr 21	60	32	
Apr 22	66	42	
Apr 23	84	44	
Apr 24	78	45	
Apr 25	91	49	
Apr 26	90	59	

(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 Mar:	0.10"
Total Precip for Apr:	0.14"
Total Precip. for 2021:	1.62"

Regional Champion! Warren Taylor set to tee off at State Golf Tournament

Tahoka High School senior Warren Taylor won the 2A Regional golf tournament in Canyon last weekend by carding a 74-77 for a total of 151 to claim the Regional title from among 90 competitors. With that championship title comes the honor of representing Tahoka High School at the State Golf Tournament in Kingsland on May 17-18.

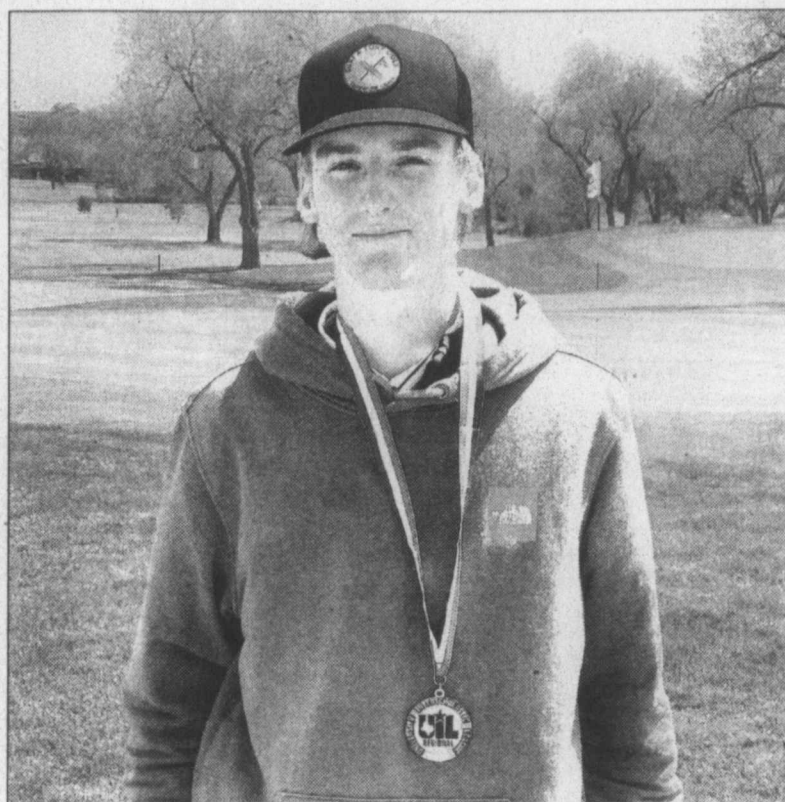
This will be Warren's second trip to the state golf tournament. He qualified for regional competition every year of his high school career (except last year, his junior year, when the COVID-19 Pandemic cancelled all tournaments), and he made it to the state tournament as a sophomore.

This year, cold windy weather

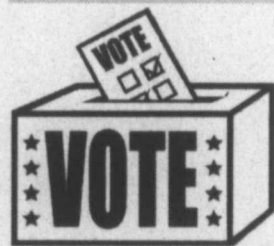
plagued the regional tournament, but Taylor persevered for the championship title. He is the son of Clay and Celeste Taylor of Tahoka.

"Warren is a kid who I am extremely proud of. You talk about a guy who works hard to develop and maintain his craft - that is Warren," said Stephen Overstreet, Athletic Director for Tahoka ISD, and Warren's golf coach. "His passion and his overall mental approach to the game of golf is something so much wiser than his actual age. It doesn't matter the day, the conditions, or the things going on around him, he finds a way to get to the course and get better."

"The conditions we have
(See THS GOLFERS, page 2)



Best in the Region! ... THS senior Warren Taylor claimed the 2A Regional Championship title at the regional golf tournament, and heads to the State Golf Tournament in Kingsland on May 17-18.



Vote at Courthouse for TISD election: Polls to open Saturday for three local elections

Voting polls will be open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. on Saturday, May 1, in two locations in Lynn County, in Tahoka and in New Home, for three local elections.

Tahoka ISD and the City of New Home have contested candidates in their elections, and also there is a bond election for New Home ISD voters to consider.

The Lynn County Courthouse will be the polling location for the

Tahoka ISD election, at the county clerk's office. It was erroneously reported that this election would be held at the Life Enrichment Center, where it has been held in past years, but this year the polling location on election day is at the Courthouse.

In the Tahoka ISD Board of Trustees election, incumbents Clay Taylor and Lea Swinford are challenged for their seats by candidates Nathan Paul Garcia, Mike Rivas,

and Pablo Herevia. For the At-Large seats, every registered voter within the school district may cast a ballot.

The New Home Community Center, located at 109 W. Broadway in New Home, will be the polling location for both the City of New Home election and New Home ISD bond election.

New Home Independent School District is holding an election seek-

ing the passage of an \$18 million bond, for the construction of a new elementary campus and football and track facility. In the city election, two candidates are vying for the two-year term for mayor for the City of New Home, including Imelda Mendez Willis and Brad Emert (currently serving as interim mayor). Jason Reyes is unopposed in his bid for a seat on the New Home City Council.

A patriotic moment ...

The Tahoka High School Lady Bulldogs softball team stands with hands over hearts during the singing of the National Anthem preceding the final game of the season, held at the new THS softball field.

Although the field was completed, all construction had not been finished, but it was enough to allow the team a chance to play on the new field.

(LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)



State BBQ skills

O'Donnell High School's culinary arts BBQ teams competed in the High School BBQ State Championship held at Llano, Texas on April 23-24, and did very well. Among the 61 teams in the competition, O'Donnell's Screamin' Eagles Team won 5th place in the brisket competition, and O'Donnell's Eagle Pitmasters won 3rd place chicken. Team members include, standing from left, Tyler Bundy, Dayzee Castro, Kamryn Rickman, Tyson Bundy, Hannah Hernandez, Fabian Vargas, Juan Renteria, Everett Stidham, Nehmiah Vela, Eliseo Avalos; and kneeling, Juanita Renteria and Ryan Olivan.



DID YOU KNOW?

Mount Rushmore almost featured the heads of famous American West heroes, like Buffalo Bill Cody, but the lead sculptor argued that the subjects should be more recognizable - thus four U.S. presidents were chosen.

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Senior Citizens LUNCH MENU

May 3-7
Monday: BBQ Chicken breast, roasted ranch potatoes, summer squash, salad, peach cobbler
Tuesday: Roast beef with brown gravy, mashed potatoes, sliced carrots, Waldorf salad, banana pudding
Wednesday: Beef soft taco, Spanish rice, broccoli, corn, mandarin oranges
Thursday: Herb roasted chicken thighs, potato wedges, peas & carrots, strawberries w/ whipped topping
Friday: Breaded fish on a bun, potato wedges, coleslaw, peach chantilly

Obituaries



E. Curtis Bishop

After a four-month battle with Covid-19, Curtis Bishop went home to be with the Lord on Friday, April 9, 2021, at the age of 69 years old. A Memorial Service will be at 1:00 pm Friday, April 30, 2021 at Englund's Chapel in Slaton. Arrangements are by Englund's Funeral Service.

Curtis was born in Abilene, Texas, to Jack and Audrey Bishop. He was raised on a family cotton farm. He attended Wilson Independent School District from elementary through high school. After graduating, he attended South Plains College and West Texas University in Canyon, Texas.

Curtis married Sharon K. Seeley of Durango, Colorado, on December 22, 1973, in Plainview, Tx. Together they have two children, Connie and Chad. Curtis worked for J.I. Case Tractor Company for 16 years where he worked his way up the corporate ladder. He then worked for Kubota Tractor for 30 years, until his retirement in 2017.

Curtis attended Calvary Chapel Saving Grace in Yorba Linda, California for 20 years. When he moved to Tucson, he attended Calvary Chapel Tucson, Arizona. Curtis loved to serve the church and be a helper wherever he could. He, along with others, started the BBQ ministry at Calvary Cha-

pel Saving Grace. The BBQ ministry created an environment of fellowship and family within the body of Christ every Sunday.

Curtis interests included spending time with his grandkids, flying model airplanes (to which he was a Vice President of his RC club in Tucson, Arizona), motorcycling, RV camping, and hunting.

He was preceded in death by his parents Jack and Audrey, and his eldest brother Jackie Bishop.

Curtis is survived by his wife Sharon of Tucson, Arizona; his daughter Connie Stevens (Michael) of Trabuco Canyon, California; son Chad Bishop (Janiene) of Garden Grove, California; and son by a previous marriage Johnny Bishop of Lubbock, Texas. He is survived by his sister-in-law, Betty Bishop of Wilson, Texas; brother Darrell Bishop (Cathy) of Keller, Texas; and brother Tony Bishop (D'Anne) of Wilson, Texas. He also has a large extended family, including numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of cards and flowers, please consider a donation to: Calvary Chapel Saving Grace, 17451 Bastanchury Road, Yorba Linda, Ca 92886.

Community-wide Garage Sale set in O'Donnell Saturday

The City of O'Donnell is hosting a Community-Wide Garage Sale and Arbor Day celebration this Saturday, May 1, from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. at the community park located at 1st Street and Nassau Road. Food and craft booths, as well as the garage sale booths, will offer a variety of items.

The O'Donnell Citizens Advisory Committee will also sponsor a dedication for those who donated trees for Arbor Day. All area citizens are invited to this event.



Library Director ... Marisa Webster is the City-County Library Director. She is a native Tahokan and is excited about the opportunities with her new position at the local library.

NEWS from the Library

CITY-COUNTY LIBRARY
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(Inside the Life Enrichment Center)

As summer reading is about to kick off and everything is opening back up, we would like to take a minute to introduce you to the new City-County Library Director, Marisa Webster.

Marisa (Martin) Webster is a native of Tahoka, graduating in 1996 from Tahoka High. She married her high school sweetheart, Robert, in 1997 and has three children, two sons and a daughter. Marisa and Robbie just recently moved back to Tahoka when she got the job as the director.

Marisa is extremely excited to take on this role as Library Director and ready to bring life back into the library after Covid.

"There is so much more to the library than just books," Marisa said.

Marisa organized the City-Wide Easter Egg Drop with the support of the City of Tahoka and she has had a couple of field trips already to the library, and plans many more in the future. She is working with the city in planning future events for the community such as "Movies in the Park" and the "Cinco de Mayo" festival.

"I have always loved the library growing up. My mom, Pam Martin, instilled in me a

love for reading when I was a child. I remember going to the library and just loving the smell of books as well as walking through the stacks." Marisa says. "When this job came available, I was super excited. It is a perfect fit for me. I just love how God puts things into the right place at the right time. I am super excited to see where the library goes from here. I have several great ideas and can't wait to be a part of the community of Tahoka and Lynn County."

City-County Library Events

Story Time: Every Wednesday at 10:30 am for toddlers to preschool kids. We are live on Facebook and the Library is now open to visitors.

Cinco De Mayo: May 8th - 4:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Downtown Tahoka.

3rd grade field trip: May 14th.

Summer Reading Early signups: Begins May 24th.

Summer Reading Kick-off party: June 5th 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

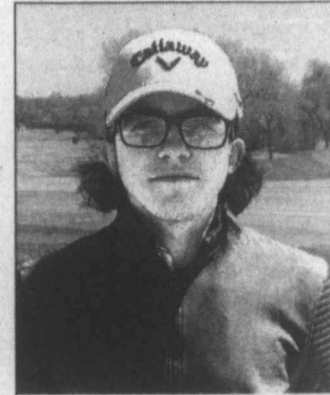
Summer Reading: June 7th - Aug 6th.

Summer Reading Awards Ceremony: Aug 9th (time TBA).

THS Golfers ...

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played in this year and especially at the Regional meet last week prove that his mental toughness is second to none. It isn't a surprise to me at all that he is going to advance his career and his education by playing at McMurry in the fall. They are getting a first-class golfer and first-class young man. I truly believe that May 17-18 we are playing for a State Championship. If he continues to do what he's done this year and the weather cooperates, I think coming home on the 18th Warren will have a nice shiny medal around his neck," said Overstreet.



JULIO SAUCEDA

Another Tahoka senior, Julio Saucedo, competed at the regional golf tournament, and finished in a tie for 36th out of 90 total golfers.

"Again the weather conditions didn't suit well, but again this is a kid who never said he was cold. I am so proud of Julio and how far he has come in the last three years. His golf game was starting to peak and he suffered an ACL tear back during football. I was so proud to see him card that round at district that propelled him into Regionals. I honestly believe that had he not been sidelined for so long with that knee that we would be taking two awesome young men to Kingsland in May. An excellent way to end his golf and athletic career, and I can honestly say it's been an honor and privilege to spend the last three years driving these guys around," said Overstreet.

City of Tahoka
1st ANNUAL CINCO DE MAYO
Saturday, May 8
Downtown Tahoka
4:00-10:00 p.m.

Best dressed Contest
Wear your best dressed Cinco de Mayo outfit and dress your pet too!

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Area News
from area newspapers

Lamesa ISD shifting administrators

LAMESA - Several administrative changes are being made the Lamesa ISD campuses. In the wake of those changes, the school district is looking for a new high school principal and an elementary school assistant principal for the next school year.

The high school principal, Jerry Jerabek, recently announced his intentions of leaving LISD to teach at the collegiate level, at Lubbock Christian University.

David Ritchey is becoming the new North Elementary Principal after having held that same position at South Elementary. Jaime Bahlman, former elementary school literacy coordinator, is taking over as principal at South Elementary.

Assistant Principal Justin Lindsey is leaving his job at South Elementary School to take over as instructional coordinator at the middle school.

New principals officially began their new jobs on Monday, April 26.

- from the Lamesa Press-Reporter



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ELECTION DAY: SATURDAY, MAY 1st
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Soil Stewardship Week Proclamation ... Lynn County Judge Mike Braddock (seated), with approval from the Lynn County Commissioners (from left) Larry Durham, Don Blair and (third from right) Matt Woodley, signs a Proclamation declaring April 25-May 2 as Soil & Water Stewardship Week, at the request of the Lynn County Soil & Water Conservation District. Standing to the right of Judge Braddock are Helen Saldaña, District Secretary; Matt Dorsett, District Conservationist, NRCS; Randy Cook, Secretary/Treasurer; and Ray Mason, Director. Soil Stewardship Week encourages every individual to help conserve Earth's precious resources and develop conservation practices to promote healthy fertile soils and clean water.

Commissioners approve proclamation for Soil and Water Stewardship Week

Lynn County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:30 a.m. Monday at the Lynn County Courthouse, approving a resolution proclaiming April 25-May 2 as 2021 Soil and Water Stewardship Week, which emphasizes the importance of conservation practices for Earth's resources.

Commissioners heard a presentation from Matt Dorsett with the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) on the 2020 NRCS Accomplishment Report, and Helen Saldaña gave a report on Soil & Water Conservation District activities.

In other action, commissioners voted to accept culverts and rock from Oncor, and approved payment of monthly bills.

Lynn County Tax Assessor/Collector Donna Willis presented a report on her office.

Lynn County Judge Mike Braddock led the meeting, with commissioners Matt Woodley, Don Blair and Larry Durham present, as well as others. Commissioner John Hawthorne was absent from the meeting.

Couch on highway causes accident

by JUANELL JONES

A couch that was in the middle of the road was the cause of an accident about a mile south of Tahoka on US 87 northbound lanes at 8:52 p.m. last Monday. The driver called 9-1-1 to report the accident, but reported no injuries and said that her vehicle was still drivable, although the vehicle did sustain some damage to the bumper and fender. Just a few minutes earlier, Lynn County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) had received a call reporting the couch in the road, which had apparently fallen off someone's vehicle. The caller also reported he had noticed a pickup truck loaded with items in the back of the truck traveling down a county road in the vicinity.

LCSO call sheets reported a phone scam on April 20, with an elderly woman getting several phone calls from a male claiming to be from Publishers Clearing House. The male reportedly told the woman to go to the local Dollar Store and purchase a gift card, and that he would meet her there to pick it up. While she was on the phone with the man, a young woman who works for the elderly woman advised her not to go, but said she could hear the man yelling at her to "shut up." When the elderly woman left to go to the dollar store to do as the man requested, the young woman immediately called LCSO and requested that a deputy meet them at the store. The deputy told the older woman that this was a phone scam, and also reported that the local dollar store staff, recognizing that the request was probably a scam, refused to sell the woman a gift card.

Smoke was reported north of Tahoka at 12:40 p.m. last Wednesday, which turned out to be a controlled burn at CR 18 and FM 400.

Lynn County SO was advised by Lubbock County that they had received a suicidal call that showed the phone's location to be in Lynn County. A deputy located the person west of CR M on FM 1317, and transported her to a Lubbock medical facility.

A caller reported a dead deer on the east side of FM 179 north of US 380 that appeared to have been shot, at 4:26 p.m. last Wednesday. The Game Warden was notified.

In Wilson a resident called to report a neighbor was "brandishing a firearm" while he was outside doing yard work on Friday evening, and a deputy responding to the scene spoke with both parties. The man reportedly told the officer that he had a handgun on his belt but that "the neighbor may have seen it when he scratched his belly", according to the LCSO call sheet.

Debris was reported on US 87 and FM 211 southbound lanes at 6 p.m. Sunday, and TxDOT was notified.

A caller concerned about animal welfare reported a flatbed truck with three dogs in cages and two tied up in the bed of the truck, on US 87 and CR 14. A deputy responding to the location was unable to locate the vehicle.

Did you know?

• At the 1908 Olympics, the Russians showed up 12 days late because they were using the Julian calendar instead of the Gregorian calendar.



Making a connection ... O'Donnell's Zech Garces gets a base hit for the Eagles last Friday during district play at Tahoka Friday. The teams split the wins in the double-header, with the Eagles 11-2 in the first, and the Bulldogs 14-5 in the second game. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

Cinco de Mayo Festival slated here May 8th

The City of Tahoka's first annual Cinco De Mayo Festival

will be held on Saturday, May 8, from 4-10 p.m. in downtown Tahoka, featuring live bands, entertainment, contests, food, games, and shopping.

Vendors wanting to participate may call Marisa at the City County Library, 806-561-4050.

Food trucks that have already signed up to participate include Big Dogs, Corn-

breadz, Southern Outlaw BBQ, Holy Smokes, Monster Ice, Kurbside Treats, and MoMo Pop's Kettle Corn.

Folklorico Dances by Fiesta Del Sol will be a part of the entertainment, and several bands are anticipated to participate in providing live music for the event.

More information will be available in next week's issue of *The News*.

Area News

Snyder police warn pet owners about canine distemper outbreak

SNYDER - The Snyder Police Department is warning Scurry County dog owners to be aware that there has been an outbreak of canine distemper in the past month.

As of last Thursday, there had been more than 25 positive cases of canine distemper within the county.

Canine distemper is a highly contagious airborne virus spread by contact with an infected animal or placenta. It has a high mortality rate and surviving animals usually have irreparable nervous system damage.

There is no cure for canine distemper, but it is preventable through vaccinations. Snyder officials ask that canine owners make sure their pet receives its full series of distemper vaccinations as a puppy and keep vaccinations up to date throughout the animal's life.

- from the Snyder News

Fundraisers to help send three to baseball camp

Two fundraisers have been scheduled to help send three Tahoka High School baseball players to the Burk Burnett Blacksox Baseball Camp this summer. Alex Tew, Diego Pena, and Kaidance Rodriguez have been invited to the training summer camp, and all proceeds will help provide for expenses.

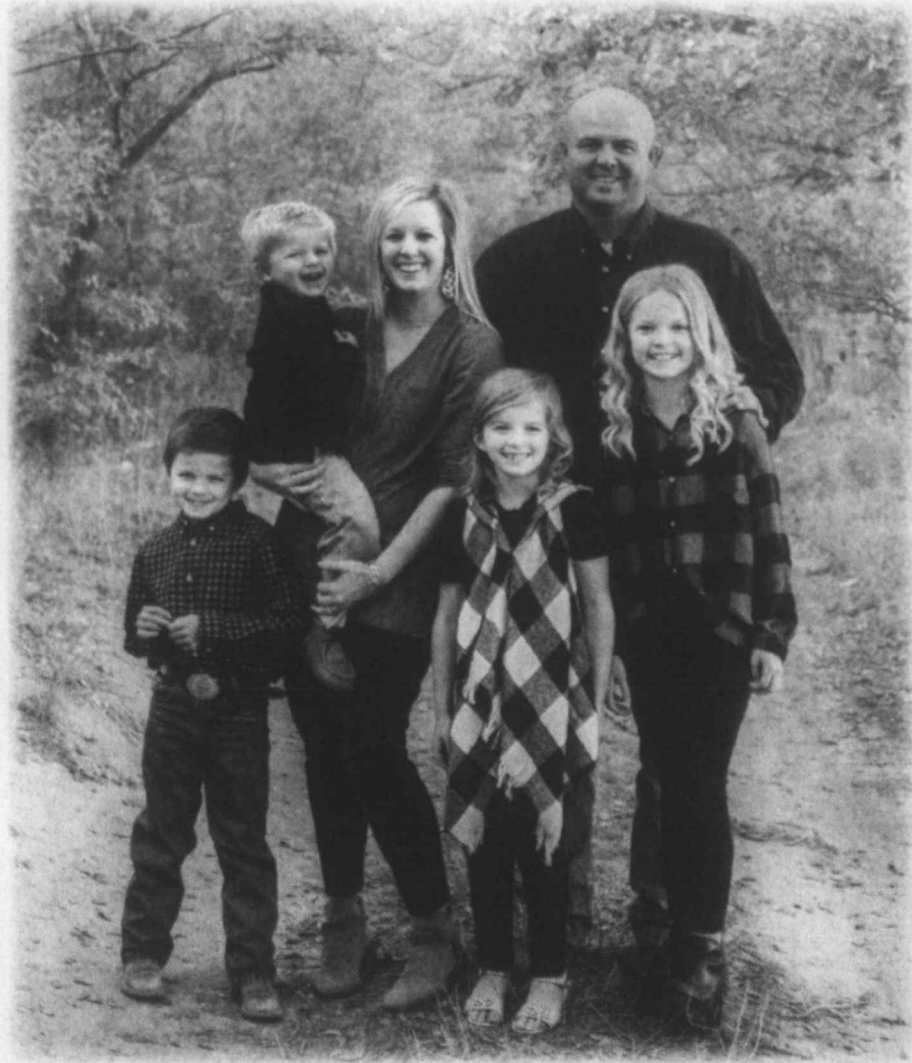
On April 30, come to the Tahoka Baseball Park for an \$8 Meal Deal which will include a sausage wrap, chips, dessert and drink, or a \$4 sausage wrap only. The Bulldogs are playing Sundown at 6 p.m.

A Homerun Derby Fundraiser will be held Saturday, May 8 from 9 a.m. until 12 noon at the old Tahoka softball field. Price per entry is \$20, and a \$100 prize will go to the winner. To enter the Homerun Derby, contact Sonia Colon, Liz Tew or Sylvia Rodriguez through Facebook messenger to pre-register by May 7th.

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Lynn County 4-H youth do well in district contests

Lynn County 4-H youth have competed in several district contests recently, winning several top places in their events. The following information was provided by Cody Hill, Texas AgriLife Extension Agent in Lynn County.

District 2 Food Show: Josephine Butts- 2nd Place Juniors Appetizers- Everything Bagel Cucumber Bites; Waylon Epley- 1st Place Junior Healthy Desserts- Chocolate Strawberry Yogurt Parfait; Denton Moore- 2nd Place Intermediate Healthy Desserts- Bargain Oat Bake; Reese Moore 1st Place Intermediate Main Dish - Healthy Turkey Tacos; Mason Scott- 1st Place Intermediate Appetizers - Tiny Quiches; Laney Scott - Intermediate Side Dish- Twice Baked Sweet Potatoes

District 2 FCH (Family Consumer & Health) Quiz Bowl: Jr Team-1st Place- Josephine Butts, Gracie Jones, Wyatt Jones, and Waylon Epley; Intermediate Team - 1st Place - Reese Moore, Denton Moore, Laney Scott, Mason Scott

District 2 Livestock Judging: Junior Team 1- 4th Place

- Phillip Smith, Paislee Allison, Josephine Butts, Macyn Huffaker; Junior Team 2- 6th Place- Jynli Woodley, Remi Stone, Avery Gill; Jynli Woodley 8th Place Individual; Remi Stone 10th Place Individual; Phillip Smith 11th Place Individual; Paislee Allison 15th Place Individual

Intermediates: Team 2, 3rd Place - Sawyer May, Peyton Huffaker, Klaire Gill, Marlee Stone; Team 1- 2nd Place - Zackery Sellers, Garrett Sanders, Brogan Stone, Jady Woodley; Sawyer May- 3rd Place Intermediate Individual; Zack Sellers- 8th Intermediate Individual; Brogan Stone - 10th Intermediate Individual; Remi Donald - 15th Intermediate Individual

Seniors: Team - 2nd Place - Kaylee Walker, Laine Cook, Jordan Jace, Bryson Stone; Bryson Stone- 2nd Place Senior Individual; Laine Cook- 3rd Place Senior Individual; Kaylee Walker - 13th Place Individual

District 2 Consumer Decision Making Contest - Juniors: Juniors Team 1 - 1st Place Jentry Askew, London Graham, Riley Koonce, Leland McDonald; Junior Team 2 - 3rd Place Waylon Epley, Molly Mayberry, Josephine Butts, Gracie Jones; Junior Team 3 - 4th Place Wyatt Jones, Paislee Allison, Karlee Rathmann, Marley Fogerson; Jentry Askew - 3rd Place Junior Individual; Waylon Epley 4th Place Junior Individual; Wyatt Jones 6th Place Junior Individual; Paislee Allison 7th Place Junior Individual; Leland McDonald 13th Place Junior Individual; Molly Mayberry 14th Place Junior Individual

Intermediates: Team 1- 1st Place - Kinlee Rathmann, Rayna Epley, Zack Sellers, Laney Scott; Team 2 - 3rd Place - Brayson Beck, Miles Mayberry, Bek McCleskey, Emily Koonce; Team 3 - 4th Place - Lincoln Graham, Kaden McDonald, Garrett Sanders, Kenny Donald; Team 4- 6th Place - Remi Donald, Reagan Stokes, Mason Scott; Kinlee Rathmann - 3rd Place Intermediate Individual; Rayna Epley - 4th Place Intermediate Individual; Brayson Beck- 6th Place Intermediate Individual; Lincoln Graham - 7th Place



1st Place Consumer Decision Making Team ... Kinlee Rathmann, Zack Sellers Rayna Epley, Laney Scott



Sr. Consumer Decision Making Team ... Team 1 - 2nd Place: Laine Cook, Kaylee Walker, Brazos Beck and Braxton Beck



Consumer Decision Making Intermediates ... In back from left: Rayna Epley, Mason Scott, Miles Mayberry, Kinlee Rathmann, Remi Donald, Kenny Donald, Reagan Stokes, Garrett Sanders, Kaden McDonald; Front row, Emily Koonce, Brayson Beck, Lincoln Graham, Laney Scott and Zack Sellers.



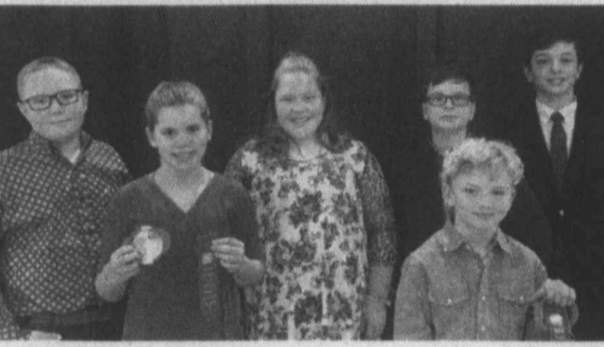
Consumer Decision Making Junior Team ... In back from left: Waylon Epley, Marley Fogerson, Josephine Butts, Wyatt Jones, Leland McDonald, Riley Koonce; Front Row: Gracie Jones, Karlee Rathmann, Paislee Allison, London Graham, Jentry Askew, Molly Maberry.



1st place team FCH Quiz Bowl ... Denton Moore, Reece Moore, Mason Scott, & Laney Scott



Quiz Bowl Junior Team ... Josephine Butts, Gracie Jones, Wyatt Jones, Mason Walker 1st Place FCH Quiz Bowl Team



Food Show winners ... Mason Scott 1st Place Appetizers, Josephine Butts 2nd place appetizers, Laney Scott, Reece Moore 1st, Place Main dish, Waylon Epley 1st Place Healthy Dessert, Denton Moore 2nd Place Healthy Dessert



Junior Livestock Judging Teams ... Avery Gill, Jynli Woodley, Josephine Butts, Paislee Allison, Macyn Huffaker, Callen Smith, and not pictured is Remington Stone.



SPC Livestock Judging ... Kaylee Walker, Jace Jordan, Laine Cook, Peyton Easter, Bryson Stone - 3rd High team in Beef, 1st High Team in Swine, 3rd High Team Overall



Livestock Judging Senior Team ... 2nd Place Senior Team Bryson Stone, Laine Cook, Kaylee Walker and Jace Jordan



Livestock Judging 2nd Place Team ... Jady Woodley, Brogan Stone, Garrett Sander, Zack Sellers

Intermediate Individual; Zack Sellers - 10th Place Intermediate Individual; Miles Mayberry - 11th Place Intermediate Individual; Bek McCleskey - 12th Place Intermediate Individual; Kaden McDonald - 13th Place Intermediate Individual; Garrett Sanders - 14th Place Intermediate Individual; Remi Donald- 15th Place Intermediate Individual; Laney Scott - 16th Place Intermediate Individual

Seniors: Team 1 - 2nd Place- Kaylee Walker, Laine Cook, Brazos Beck & Braxton Beck; Kaylee Walker 4th Place Senior Individual; Laine Cook 7th Place Senior Individual; Brazos Beck 9th Place Senior Individual

South Plains Livestock Judging Contest: Champion 4-H Team; 3rd High 4-H Team



Intermediate Teams ... 3rd Place Team: Sawyer May, Marlee Stone, Peyton Huffaker, Klaire Gill; 2nd Place Team: Jady Woodley, Brogan Stone, Garrett Sanders, and Zack Sellers

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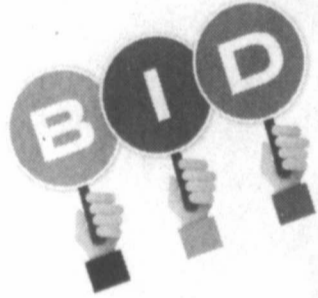
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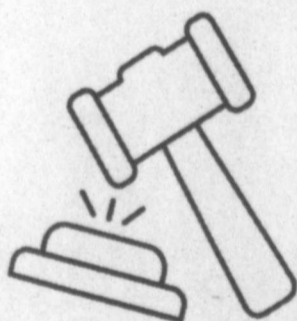
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A look back at ...
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FOR SOME REASON, the words "funny bone" popped into my mind the other day, and I realized I hadn't heard that expression in many years, so I assumed (wrongly, it appears) that kids no longer bump their elbows and say, "I bumped my funny bone."

According to my computer, which is a lot smarter than I am, kids still talk of bumping their funny bones. However, the computer says that it really doesn't hurt; it just feels a little strange, or "funny." Maybe that's still true for youngsters, but when you get my age, it hurts when you bump any part of your body.

The computer reference gets a bit technical, too, pointing out that your funny bone actually isn't a bone at all. "Running down the inside part of your elbow is a nerve called the ulnar nerve. The ulnar nerve lets your brain know about feelings in your fourth and fifth fingers."

The article says "you get that funny feeling when the ulnar nerve is bumped against the humerus, which is the long bone that starts at your elbow and goes up to your shoulder.

I'll bet that this is the reason it was always called the funny bone. Somebody thought that the humerus bone meant "humorous bone."

The article noted that there are several comedy clubs/restaurants, mostly up north, with nationally touring comics such as Jerry Seinfeld, Drew Carey and Jeff Durham, all called Funnybone clubs.

There have been other comic organizations whose names referred to bones. In Dallas, there once was (and maybe still is) a Bonehead Club. I remember years ago they issued a news release saying they had just completed a study of cigarette lighters, which in those days were basically the same design, and which you had to open up to refill with lighter fluid. The Bonehead Club said their research had determined that, while the lighters were almost always opened by unscrewing the plug with a dime, a penny would work just as well, "and you save nine cents every time."

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Ceremonial first pitch ... Tahoka ISD Board member Lea Swinford throws the ceremonial first pitch at the opening of the new THS softball field on Friday evening, after school officials and other dignitaries were introduced to the crowd. Although the field itself was completed, all construction work had not yet been finished, but it was opened for the final softball game of the season. Pictured from left are Lenora Ask, Architect with Chapman Harvey, a representative from Lee Lewis Construction, TISD Trustees Clay Taylor, Drew Stone, Slate May and Tamesha Harris-McClendon, Athletic Director Stephen Overstreet, and softball coach Courtney McGee and family.

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—Tommy Lee Jones

Area News from area newspapers

Lamesan goes into Hall of Fame

LAMESA – A little over half a century ago, rodeo roper and barrel racer Sharon

Harrison Youngblood and six of her Tarleton State University teammates did something that's never been repeated or surpassed.

They captured the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association (NIRA) National Champions honors for three consecutive years, from 1969-1971.

Youngblood and former

team members were inducted into the Texas Rodeo Cowboy Hall of Fame during an April 4 ceremony at River Ranch. The ceremony was supposed to be held last year, but COVID-19 prevented it.

—from the Lamesa Press-Reporter

"To practice five things under all circumstances constitutes perfect virtue; these five are gravity, generosity of soul, sincerity, earnestness, and kindness."
—Confucius

Lynn County Appraisal District Provides Public Information and ASSISTANCE

This is the time of year the Lynn County Appraisal District sends notices of appraised value. Lynn County notices will be mailed on May 1, 2021. Property owners will be mailed a notice as a result of any of the following circumstances affecting real property: if the 2021 proposed value is at least \$1000 more than the 2020 certified value; if the property owner has filed a timely rendition; if 2021 is the first year the property is listed in the appraisal records; if the property changed ownership during 2020; or if the property is a producing mineral interest. Notices will also be mailed to owners of taxable furniture, fixtures, machinery, equipment, vehicles, and inventory used in a trade or business.

Property owners who have questions, or want to discuss the value placed on their property should contact the appraisal district office. The legal deadline for filing a timely protest is thirty days from the date of your notice. Those who receive a notice in Lynn County have until June 1, 2021 to file a protest. If you believe the proposed market value of your property is incorrect, be sure to contact the appraisal district prior to your deadline. It is important to ask questions or call to our attention unusual facts about your property as soon as possible. In the case of value questions, property owners are urged to present conclusive evidence regarding the true market value of their property. Such evidence consists of closing statements, listing agreements, fee appraisals, income and expense statements, pictures, and surveys. Our goal is to treat all property owners in a fair and equitable manner; and this can best be accomplished when you provide evidence to us about your property as soon as possible.

The following publication is required by Section 41.70 of the Texas Property Tax Code.

Property Tax Protest and Appeal Procedures

Property owners have the right to protest actions concerning their property tax appraisals. You may follow these appeal procedures if you have a concern about:

- the appraised (market) value of your property;
- the unequal value of your property compared with other properties;
- the inclusion of your property on the appraisal records;
- any exemptions that may apply to you;
- the qualification for an agricultural or timber appraisal;
- the taxing units taxing your property;
- the property ownership;
- the change of use of land receiving special appraisal;
- failure of the chief appraiser or appraisal review board (ARB) to send a required notice; or
- any action taken by the chief appraiser, county appraisal district (CAD) or (ARB) that applies to and adversely affects you.

Informal Review

You may call (806) 561-5477 to discuss your protest with a CAD employee and try to come to a settlement without meeting with the ARB.

TO FILE YOUR PROTEST

ALL PROPERTY OWNERS WILL BE ALLOWED TO FILE THEIR PROTESTS ELECTRONICALLY BY EMAILING THEM TO lynncad@poka.com OR BY FAXING THEM TO LYNN COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT AT 806-561-4057.

Review by the ARB

If you cannot resolve your problem informally with the CAD, you file a notice of protest requesting to have your case heard by the ARB.

The ARB is an independent board of citizens that hears and determines protests regarding property appraisals or other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the CAD to make the necessary changes based on evidence heard during the ARB hearing.

If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (notice of protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing and send you written notice of the time, date and place of the hearing. If necessary, you may request a hearing in the evening or on a Saturday. You may use Comptroller Form 50-132, Property Appraisal - Notice of Protest, to file your written request for an ARB hearing.

Prior to your hearing, you may request a copy of the evidence the CAD plans to introduce at the hearing to establish any matter at issue. Before a hearing on a protest or immediately after the hearing begins, you or your agent and the CAD are required to provide each other with a copy of any materials (evidence) intended to be offered or submitted to the ARB at the hearing. Evidence may be submitted for any hearing type either in paper or on a small portable electronic device (such as CD, USB flash drive or thumb drive) which will be kept by the ARB. Do NOT bring evidence on a smart phone. The ARB's hearing procedures regarding all the requirements to

properly submit evidence on a small portable device must be reviewed.

To the greatest extent practicable, the hearing will be informal. You or your designated agent may appear in person, by telephone conference call or submission of written affidavit to present your evidence, facts and arguments. You must indicate your request for a telephone conference call hearing on your written notice of protest filed with ARB not later than the 10th day before the hearing date and provide your evidence and written affidavit before the ARB hearing begins. You may use the Comptroller Form 50-283, Property Owner's Affidavit of Evidence to the Appraisal Review Board, to submit evidence for your telephone conference call hearing or for hearing by affidavit.

You and the CAD representative have the opportunity to present evidence about your case. In most cases, the CAD has the burden of establishing the property's value by a preponderance of the evidence presented.

In certain protests, the chief appraiser has the burden of proving the property's value by clear and convincing evidence. You should review ARB hearing procedures to learn more about evidence and related matters.

You should not try to contact ARB members outside of the hearing. ARB members are required to sign an affidavit saying that they have not talked about your case before the ARB hears it.

Review by the District Court, an Arbitrator or SOAH

After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mail. If you are not satisfied with the ARB's decision, you have the right to appeal to district court. As an alternative to district court, you may appeal through binding arbitration or the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) if you meet the qualifying criteria.

If you choose to go to district court, you must start the process by filing a petition with the district court within 60 days of the date you receive the ARB's order. If you choose to appeal through binding arbitration, you must file a request for binding arbitration with the CAD not later than the 60th day after you receive notice of the ARB order. If you choose to appeal to the SOAH, you must file an appeal with the CAD not later than the 30th day after you receive notice of the ARB's order. Appeals to district court, binding arbitration, or SOAH all require payment of certain fees or deposits.

Tax Payment

You must pay the amount of taxes due on the portion of the taxable value not in dispute, the amount of taxes due on the property under the order from which the appeal is taken or the amount of taxes due in the previous year.

More Information

You can get more information by contacting your appraisal district at Lynn CAD, 1615 Main Street, Tahoka, TX 79373, (806) 561-5477.

You can get Comptroller forms and additional information on how to prepare a protest from the Comptroller's website at comptroller.texas.gov/taxes/property-tax/.

Deadline for Filing Protests with the ARB*

Usual Deadline
Not later than May 15 (or within 30 days after a notice of appraised value was mailed to you, whichever is later)

Late protests are allowed for good cause if you miss the usual deadline. The ARB decides whether you have good cause. Late protests are not allowed after the ARB approves the appraisal records for the year.

Special Deadlines

For change of use (the CAD informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land), the deadline is not later than the 30th day after the notice of the determination was delivered to you.

For ARB changes (the ARB has informed you of a change that increases your tax liability and the change did not result from a protest you filed), the deadline is not later than the 30th day after the notice of the change was delivered to you.

DEADLINE TO FILE June 1, 2021

If you believe the CAD or ARB should have sent you a notice and did not, you may file a protest until the day before taxes become delinquent (usually Feb. 1) or no later than the 125th day after the date you claim you received a tax bill from one or more of the taxing units that tax your property. The ARB decides whether it will hear your case based on evidence about whether a required notice was mailed to you.

* The deadline is postponed to the next business day if it falls on a weekend or legal, state or national holiday.

Over half of county citizens age 65+ have had Covid vaccine

Just over half of the residents of Lynn County age 65 and older have now received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine.

According to information from the Texas Department of State Health Services on Tuesday this week, 59.14 percent of the county's population age 65 and over have been vaccinated with at least one dose, and 48.25 percent of age 65+ are fully vaccinated.

If broken down into the number of people that received vaccines, that's 1,303 people fully vaccinated, and 1,685 vaccinated with at least one dose.

In the age population of 16-and older, 4,496 people (28.98 percent of the county population) are fully vaccinated.

Lynn County Healthcare System currently has COVID-19 vaccines available locally for citizens, available by appointment by calling the LCHD COVID-19 hotline at 806-561-2076.

Since the Pandemic began last March, Lynn County has had a total of 618 cases of COVID-19, according to statistics from the South Plains Public Health District. That number includes 8 deaths, according to their records.

Currently, there are no active case of COVID-19 in Lynn County, according to SPPHD's most recent update on April 26.



Nice new stands ... A portion of the new stands is shown as the crowd gathers for the final softball game of the season at the new Tahoka High School softball field, located on N. 5th Street just north of the school campus.

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