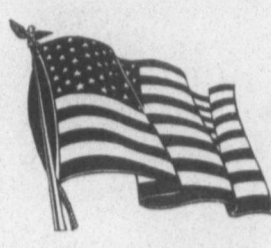


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Now that's funny!

We operate under a jury system in this country, and as much as we complain about it, we have to admit that we know of no better system, except possibly flipping a coin.

— DAVE BARRY

FOOTBALL TIME!

LAST WEEK'S SCOREBOARD:

Post 62-0 Tahoka
Loop 68-26 Wilson
New Home 40-6 Sudan
Meadow 61-50 O'Donnell

Congratulations!

New Home Leopards DISTRICT CHAMPIONS
2A-2 Region I District 2
will play Plains Thursday, Nov. 11
for BI-DISTRICT
7 pm Peoples Bank Stadium Wolfforth

WHAT'S OUTSIDE

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Nov 2	46	40	0.03"
Nov 3	48	40	
Nov 4	62	35	
Nov 5	70	35	
Nov 6	77	40	
Nov 7	81	42	
Nov 8	81	43	

(Precipitation/temps measured as of 6 a.m. on date reported, for the previous 24-hr period)

Total Precip for Feb:	0.15"
Total Precip for Mar:	0.10"
Total Precip for Apr:	0.51"
Total Precip for May:	6.75"
Total Precip for Jun:	2.39"
Total Precip for July:	3.73"
Total Precip for Aug:	2.93"
Total Precip for Sep:	0.53"
Total Precip for Oct:	0.37"
Total Precip for Nov:	0.03"
Total Precip. for 2021:	18.72"

Potential meth lab halted here

by JUANELL JONES

A mixup involving family members allowing three individuals from Lubbock to move into a mobile home here resulted in Tahoka Police being called to tell the individuals to leave, but the case took

a turn when some components of a potential methamphetamine lab were discovered in the trailer.

According to Police Chief Jeff Parker, certain local family members inherited two mobile homes in the 800 block of Ave. E after the

owner passed away, and at 10:40 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 8 the family members went to the location to check on the property, expecting the property to be uninhabited. They discovered a male and two females at one of the trailers, who told the family that someone else had given them permission to be there.

At that point, the family asked the three individuals to leave the premises, and they returned to their own home here to call police to investigate the situation. An officer arriving at the mobile home found a male and two females, who were in the process of leaving the property to return to Lubbock. The officer ran their identification information and discovered no outstanding warrants, and so the trio were allowed to leave the premises in their vehicle.

However, after the trio left the property, family members returned to check the home about 20 minutes later and found some unusual items. They asked for an officer to return to the mobile home and he discovered some items that indicated possible narcotics paraphernalia. Tahoka Police contacted the DEA office in Lubbock who sent three agents to the scene to assist with the investigation.

"The agents told us that if these people had been allowed to remain unattended at the trailer, that it ap-

peared that this could have been a startup of a meth lab," Chief Parker told *The News*. "There were some components there for a meth lab, but there were other components missing. We believe that if the male and two females had been allowed to stay there it could have been an operational meth lab," he added.

The police chief said that this investigation is ongoing, and that possible charges for possession of narcotics could be filed on the three Lubbock individuals.

Four traffic accidents were in call sheet reports from Lynn County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) during the past week. A one-vehicle rollover was reported north of New Home at FM 1730 and CR J, at 7:17 p.m. last Tuesday, Nov. 2. LCSO, Lynn County EMS and DPS all responded to the scene. The driver had reportedly gotten out of the white pickup that had rolled and landed upright in an adjacent field, and was sitting in another vehicle that had stopped to assist at the scene. No EMS transport was reported, and the vehicle had to be towed from the scene.

On Nov. 4, a male driving a maroon Tahoe stopped at a convenience store in Tahoka at 7:30 p.m. to ask an employee to call LCSO to report an accident. The driver said his vehicle

(See ACCIDENTS, page 6)

Filing period opens Saturday for county officials seeking election

by JUANELL JONES

The filing period opens Saturday for Lynn County officials whose terms of office will end in December 2022, County officials serve four-year terms and must file in the year before the term ends in order to be placed on the ballots for the March Primary elections. The filing period opens Nov. 13 and continues through Dec. 13, with filing to be conducted through the local county chairman of the Republican or Democrat parties.

There are nine county positions whose terms will be up for election in the March 2022 Primary elections, including County Judge, County Sheriff, County Clerk, District Clerk, County Treasurer, Pct

2 and 4 Commissioners, and both Justice of the Peace offices (Pct. 1 and 4).

A filing fee of \$750 is due with the paperwork for filing, or there is an optional process for obtaining signatures in lieu of a filing fee, and that information is available from the party chairman as well.

In Lynn County, John Baker is the County Republican Party Chairman, and he may be reached at (806) 789-1257.

Currently there is no County Democrat Party Chairman. However, candidates interested in filing on the Democratic party ticket should be able to file through the State Democrat party, since there is no local county chairman.



CHAMPIONS! Leopards claim district title, now seeking bi-district win

The New Home Leopards defeated the Sudan Hornets 40-6 on Friday night to secure the District 2-AA Division II Championship. This is the first district championship for the Leopards since they moved up to the 11-man ranks in 2018.

The Leopards were led by an explosive offense, with freshman quarterback Caleb Cook throwing for 273 yards and 5 touchdowns. Coach Jon Ward's offense spread the ball around with 5 different receivers catching a pass. Senior Ryan Bundy, playing in his last game at Leopard Stadium, was the big play man, hauling in 5 passes for 102 yards and 2 touchdowns. Senior Spencer Keys also had a

touchdown, taking a short screen pass 47 yards to the house. Underclassmen Logan Addison and Brody Emert also had touchdown grabs. The Leopards' rushing attack was spread between seven ball carriers who combined to average over 6 yards an attempt.

The real star of the show was the Leopards defense, which held the Hornets to a single score in the first half. Middle linebacker Lo-

gan Addison continued his stellar play and the entire defensive unit followed his lead as every Sudan ball carrier was met with a swarm of New Home tacklers.

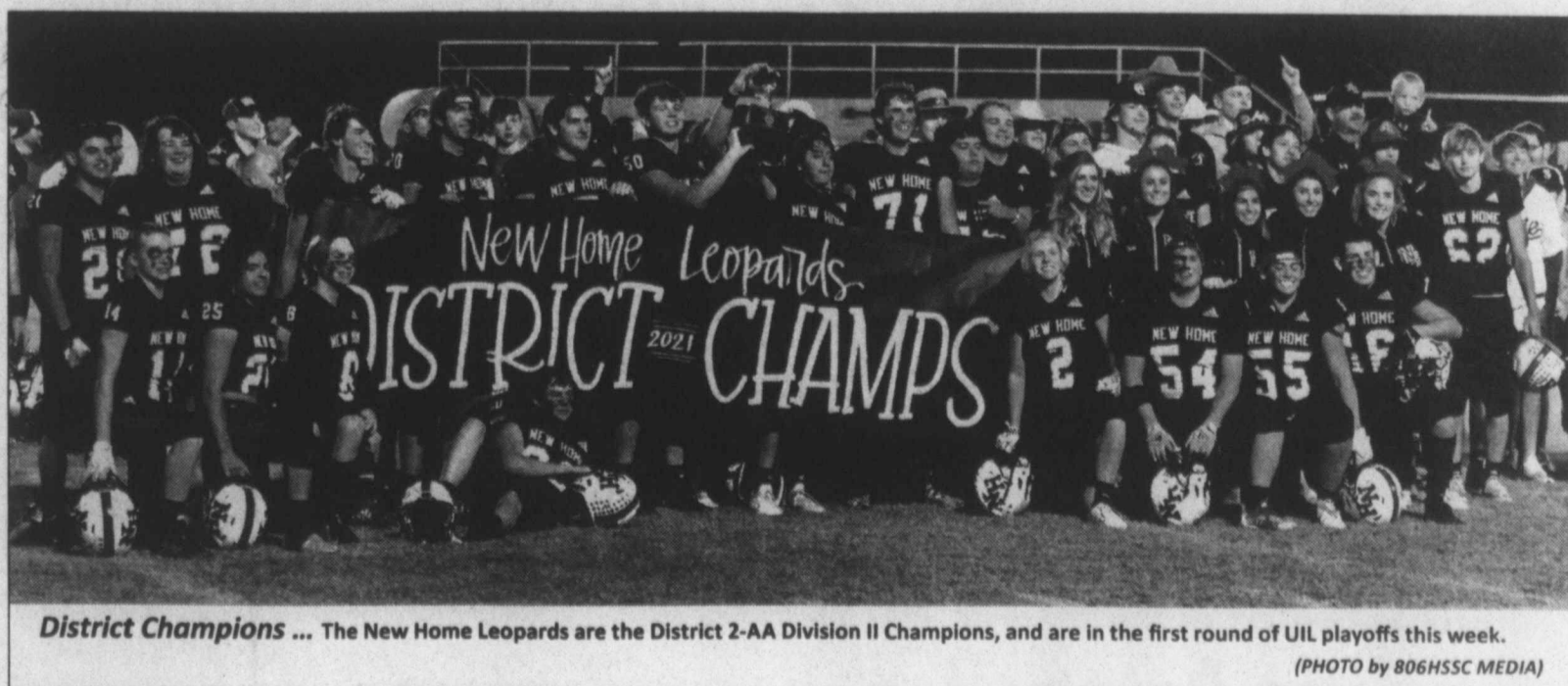
The defense contributed to the scoring as well with junior linebacker Braxton Beck scooping up a fumbled punt snap and taking it to pay dirt in the second quarter. Defensive Coordinator Stevan Keys bragged on how hard his unit played and how well they rallied to the ball and made stops when they needed them.

The Leopards' celebration is short-lived as they begin the playoffs this week. They will face the

Plains Cowboys at 7 p.m. on Thursday night at People's Bank Stadium on the campus of Frenship High School in Wolfforth.

The Cowboys come into the game as the 4th seed from district one. This game is also a rematch of a week three contest that was won by the Leopards by the score of 47-8. Coach Jon Ward cautioned the Leopards to read too much into that early season game as the Cowboys were dealing with sickness and injuries and they are a much-improved team.

"The Leopards would love to have a large and vocal crowd at their Bi-District game on Thursday," said AD Koby Abney.



District Champions ... The New Home Leopards are the District 2-AA Division II Champions, and are in the first round of UIL playoffs this week.

(PHOTO by 806HSSC MEDIA)



THANK YOU TO ALL VETERANS!

“ There are around 19 million U.S. veterans serving our country as of this year, according to data from the Department of Veterans Affairs. ”

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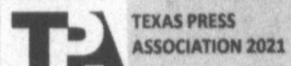
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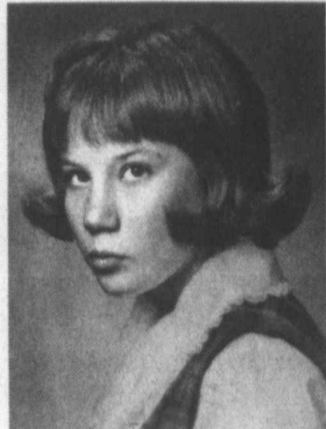
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Obituaries

Catherine Barham

Services are pending for Catherine Barham, of Lubbock, formerly of Tahoka. She died on Tuesday, November 9, 2021. Services are under the direction of Combest Family Funeral Homes.



Lisa Gay Fillingim

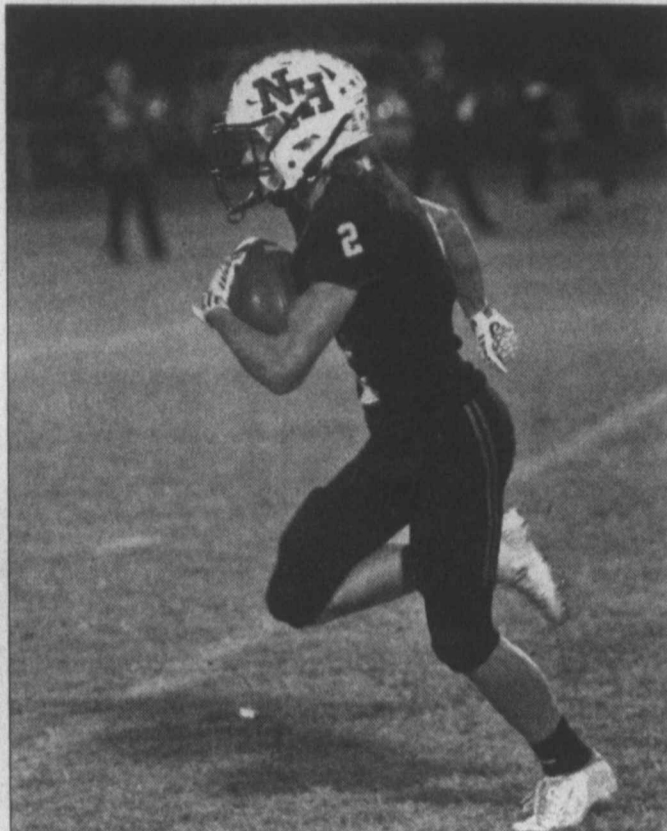
Lisa Gay Fillingim, 63, of Tahoka passed away Tuesday, November 2, 2021. She was born October 23, 1958, to Joe Robert and Fernova Charlene (Balch) Fillingim in Lubbock. Lisa loved animals, especially her cats and dogs and enjoyed spending time with her family. Christmas was her favorite holiday, she loved everything about it. From Santa Clause to holiday goodies, Lisa had a sweet tooth. She will be deeply missed.

She is preceded in death by her mother, Fernova; and a brother in 1971, Cary Don Fillingim.

Those left to cherish her memory are her father, Joe Robert Fillingim of Tahoka; brothers, Mike Fillingim and wife Felicia of Lubbock, Steve Fillingim and wife G.G., Andy Fillingim and wife Judi all of New Home; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation was held at 10:00 a.m. with services at 10:30 a.m. Monday, November 8, 2021, at Combest Family Memorial Chapel, 2210 Broadway, Lubbock with burial to follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations in Lisa's name can be made to New Home Baptist Church, 128 N. 4th St, New Home, TX 79383.



Touchdown ... Spencer Keys (#2) sprints for a Leopard score Friday night in New Home. The Leopards (7-3, 4-0) won their first 11-man district championship with a win over Sudan, 40-6. The Leopards play Plains Thursday in the first round of the 2A-2 UIL playoffs. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

Hometown Christmas event slated in Tahoka Dec. 11th

Tahoka's second annual "Hometown Christmas Event" will be held Saturday, Dec. 11, from 5-8 p.m. at the downtown mural park. Organized by the Hometown Christmas Committee, sponsors invite area citizens to "come feel the Christmas spirit come alive at the Hometown Christmas Event!"

The downtown mural park is located in the 1600 block of Main, just south of the traffic light intersection at Lockwood and Main, and the downtown streets will be blocked from

vehicle traffic during the event.

A Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony will be held at 6:30 p.m., and a Santa sighting at 8 p.m. Food trucks, downtown shopping, live Christmas music, cookie decorating, and Polar Express rides will be offered.

Residents who decorate the exterior of their homes may enter their addresses in the "Home For The Holidays" decorating contest, and these winners will be announced at the Hometown Christmas event.

Plan now to enter Christmas decorating contest here

Area residents are encouraged to plan now to prepare their homes for the "Home For The Holidays" Decorating Contest, sponsored by the Lynn County Christmas Committee. Residents throughout the county with decorated homes and lawns are eligible to enter.

Judging will be conducted on Wednesday, Dec. 8, with 1st, 2nd and 3rd places awarded for each town in

Lynn County.

Winners will be announced Saturday, Dec. 11, at Tahoka's "Hometown Christmas Event" held in downtown Tahoka from 5-8 p.m.

To enter, find the registration form in this newspaper, and send by email to cross82365@gmail.com by Monday, Dec. 6.

For more information, call or text Cathy at 806-891-1291.

Senior Citizens News
by Betty Ehlers

The Lynn County Pioneer Senior Citizens are happy to be in their new building serving meals in the dining room Monday-Friday, with carry outs available also. The cost of meals for 60 plus is \$3.00 and under 60 is \$7.50. Everyone is welcome to come join us.

Upcoming events at the Center will be game day on Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. On Thursday, Nov. 11, there will be a craft day at 1:00 p.m. where we will be making a pumpkin for fall decoration.

Thursday Nov. 18, there will be a bake sale held at the Center. Come and purchase

your goodies for Thanksgiving.

Other events to look forward to are a "Cookie Exchange Party" coming up on Thursday Dec. 9 from 1:30 -3:00 at the Center. There will be a New Year's Eve party at the Center with games starting at 6:30 p.m. More information will be available at a later time.

"We would like to thank everyone who has helped us make this possible and we want to use our citizen center as a place for our community to enjoy our meals and other activities," said a board member.

The Senior Citizens will be closed on Nov. 25 and 26 for the Thanksgiving holidays.



BAKE SALE

Lynn County Pioneer Senior Citizens
Thursday, November 18 • 10:00 a.m.
Senior Citizens Center • 1612 Lockwood

A look back at ...

by Dalton **Woodwork**

(Reprinted from the past) Dalton Wood 

I WAS FIXING to write a column the other day, and when I had that thought, I remembered a young man in Indiana years ago making fun of us Texans saying we were "fixing" to do something. This brought memories of the differences in speech and customs between folks who live in different parts of the world, even within the United States.

We lived in Indiana for about four years and formed some lasting friendships there, but the natives always thought of us as pretty strange, and we viewed some of their speech and customs the same way.

I'm not sure if things have changed in Southern Indiana since we were there in the 1950s, but in those days there were some differences. People used to laugh at us for saying "y'all," but they said "you-unses," which struck us as pretty icky.

In those days, Indians had never heard of chicken fried steak or Mexican food, but restaurants all served calf brain sandwiches, and families sometimes would host picnic-type events featuring burgoo. Seems to me that burgoo was barbecued raccoon, or maybe billy goat.


We lived at Newburgh, right on the Ohio River, and there were some good fish restaurants. Only they called catfish "fiddlers," and probably still do.

Well, it was their country, and they treated us nice, so we made little effort to change them, although my wife did introduce some of them to Mexican food, which they thought was great.

We also sometimes served blackeyed peas and cornbread, but they thought peas were pig fodder, so we only offered peas on special occasions, like fodder's day.

THE SMART-ALEC on Sixth St. says if you take your laptop computer with you on a run, you could jog your memory.

September 21, 2011



VETERANS DAY

November 11

"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them."
-- John F. Kennedy


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"The best way to spread Christmas cheer is singing loud for all to hear!"
-Buddy the Elf

Lynn County voters approve amendments

Texas voters took to the polls last Tuesday to decide on eight proposed amendments to the state Constitution. These were passed as bills during this year's legislative sessions but required voter approval.

Lynn County voters approved all eight amendments, as did other voters throughout the state, including one proposal barring the state from limiting religious services, even during disasters like the coronavirus pandemic, and another allowing a designated caregiver who cannot be denied in-person visitation rights to residents at nursing homes and assisted living facilities.

Voter turnout this year was low, with only 355 ballots cast by Lynn County residents.

Here are the propositions that were on the Nov. 2 Constitutional Amendment ballot:

Proposition 1: Allowing charitable raffles at rodeo events by the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association or the Women's Professional Rodeo Association. Unauthorized raffles can be considered illegal gambling under Texas law.

Proposition 2: Authorizing counties to issue bonds or notes to raise funds for transportation and infrastructure in underdeveloped areas. Cities and towns already have the authority to fund projects with this financing method.

Proposition 3: Banning the state from prohibiting or limiting religious services, including those in churches and other places of worship.

Proposition 4: Requiring

candidates to have 10 years of experience practicing law in Texas to be eligible for election to the Texas Supreme Court, the Court of Criminal Appeals or a Texas court of appeals. Currently, the law requires 10 years of experience but allows for out-of-state experience. Also, candidates running to be a district judge would be required to have eight years of experience practicing law in Texas, up from the current requirement of four years.

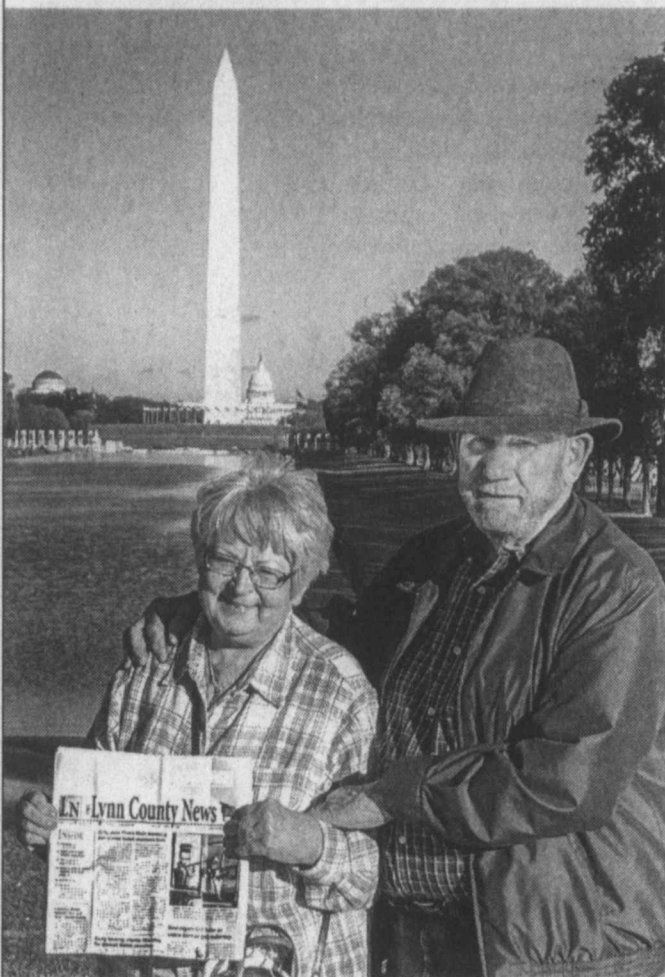
Proposition 5: Allowing the State Commission on Judicial Conduct to have oversight of candidates running for judicial office by accepting complaints or reports, conducting investigations and reprimanding them. The commission already has oversight over current judicial officeholders.

Proposition 6: Allowing residents of nursing homes and assisted living facilities to designate one essential caregiver who cannot be denied in-person visitation rights.

Proposition 7: Limiting school district property taxes incurred by the surviving spouse of a person with disabilities who is older than 65 and has died. The surviving spouse must be at least 55 years old at the partner's time of death and still live in the home.

Proposition 8: Expanding eligibility for residential homestead property tax exemptions to include spouses of military members killed or fatally injured in the line of duty. Currently, the exemption is extended to spouses of military members killed in action.

Where in the world is The Lynn County News?



In our Nation's Capital ... Bobby Mack and Brenda Furlow of Draw, accompanied by their son and wife, Philip Mack and Mary Furlow of Seminole, (not pictured) recently toured historic Washington DC, and took their Lynn County News with them for a "Where in the world" photo. They also toured the Ford Theater and a number of Smithsonian Museums, as well as the National Archives where they viewed the Declaration of Independence, the US Constitution and the Bill of Rights. The News is 1500 miles from home.

TISD teacher Sarah Descamps honored

KLBK Everything Lubbock's Trends and Friends along with Casey Carpet One presented this week's (Nov. 2) Teacher of the Week to Tahoka ISD 8th grade ELAR teacher, Sarah Descamps. Ms. Descamps is known for making her lesson plans engaging and creative with lots of activities involved. Her interview can be seen on everythinglubbock.com (search for Teacher of the Week).

Area News News items from area newspapers

Phillips earns silver in World Championships

LAMESA – A month after she was crowned as a national champion in open women's trap shooting, Borden County senior Ryann Phillips has now shown she can compete with some of the best shooters in the world. Phillips won the silver medal last week in the Junior World Championships in Lima, Peru.

France's Oriane Monique Froement won the gold and Italy's Giorgia Lenticchia got the bronze.

Nearly 400 athletes representing 22 countries competed in rifle, pistol and shotgun competition at the Junior World Championships.

"I went in with the approach that I was going to Peru to get some more shooting experience. That way it was going to be a great experience either way," Ryann said.

"When it came down to us last three I got pretty excited knowing that I was going to go home with a medal. I was only one target out of first."

Ryann is the daughter of Borden County teacher Jodi Phillips and the granddaughter of Monty and Carolyn Barton of Klondike.

Ryan said she has committed to shooting at the University of Tennessee Southern at Pulaski, Tenn. UT Southern has one of top college shooting programs in the country, having won five national championships, and two of the Fire Hawks' former clay target shooters competed in the Olympics at Tokyo.

-- from the Lamesa Press-Reporter

Stolen bell returned 50+ years later

SLATON – A historic bell was returned more than 50 years later Oct. 21 at Slaton ISD's Tiger Field.

Slaton High School senior Trent Wright presented the bell to Mayor Cliff Shaw.

The bell was removed from the 1809 Steam Engine, located on the town square, more than 50 years ago as a high school prank. In the early 1970s, it ended up as the victory bell for the high school football games.

In 2014, the bell was broken during a touchdown celebration at home. It was then replaced with a new bell in 2019. Wright's father, Robie, volunteered along with Slaton FFA teacher Adam Westbrook to install the new bell and saved the broken one.

When Sherrell Wilson of the Slaton Bakery shared a story of the 50-year-old prank, the dots were connected and the Wright family identified the bell as the old 1809 one. It will now be displayed at the Slaton Museum.

-- from The Slatonite

Area News News items from area newspapers

Roberts' life expectancy rests on pair of organ donations

SEMINOLE – Carmen Roberts, a Seminole High School and Texas Tech University graduate, is known to many locals as a former second-grade teacher and the mother of Shelbee Dayle, a Seminole ISD kindergartner who died from brain cancer at the young age of five. Shelbee passed away in her mother's arms following an unsuccessful battle with cancer in 2012.

Now Roberts is enduring an intense struggle of her own. She is in dire need of a live donor kidney transplant.

Carmen, who has suffered from general diabetes for the past 20 years, was told by her doctors that the odds are no longer in her favor. Without the gift of a kidney from a live and generous donor, her life will be shortened. Her chances of dying within the next three years, without a transplant, is 85 percent. With a live donor, her survival rate rises to 97 percent.

-- from the Seminole Sentinel

Join us for the
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Saturday, DECEMBER 11, 2021
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- Food Trucks
- Community Tree Lighting at 6:30
- Santa Sighting at 8 p.m.
- Downtown Shopping
- Live Christmas Music
- Cookie Decorating
- Polar Express Rides

Announce Home for the Holidays Contest winners

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DATE	LOCATION	OPPONENT	JVG	JVB	VG	VB
NOVEMBER 6	Oilton	New Home	10:00			11:00
9	Slaton	New Home	5:00			6:30
12	Borden County	Call	5:00			6:30
16	Idalou	Idalou	4:00	5:15	6:15	7:30
18-20	Abernathy Tournament	Abernathy	TBA			TBA
20	Shallowater	New Home		10:00		11:00
23	Plains	Plains	2:00	2:00	3:30	5:00
30	Lubbock Trinity	New Home	4:00		6:15	
	Brownfield			5:00		7:30
DECEMBER 2-4	New Home Classic	New Home			TBA	TBA
	Hale Center JV Tournament	Hale Center	TBA	TBA		
7	Roosevelt	New Home		5:00		6:00
9-11	Borden County Tournament	Call				TBA
10	Gruver	Vega			6:30	
	Wilson	Wilson	6:30			
14	Brownfield	New Home	4:00		6:15	
	Hale Center	New Home		5:00		7:30
16-18	Klondike Tournament	Klondike	TBA	TBA		
17	Ralls	Ralls	4:00	5:00	6:15	7:30
20	Farwell	New Home	10:00		11:15	
27-29	Lubbock Holiday Tournament	Lubbock			TBA	TBA
31	Guthrie	Guthrie				11:00
JANUARY 4	Sands	New Home	4:00	5:00	6:15	7:30
7	POST*	New Home	5:00		6:15	
	Lubbock Christian	Lubbock		5:00		6:00
11	Lubbock Titans	New Home		5:00	6:15	7:30
14	TAHOKA*	Tahoka	4:00	5:00	6:15	7:30
18	ROPES*	New Home	4:00	5:00	6:15	7:30
21	SMYER*	Smyer	4:00	5:00	6:15	7:30
25	POST*	Post	4:00	5:00	6:15	7:30
28	Kingdom Prep	New Home		5:00	6:15	7:30
FEBRUARY 1	TAHOKA*	New Home	4:00	5:00	6:15	7:30
4	ROPES*	Ropes	4:00	5:00	6:15	7:30
8	SMYER*	New Home	4:00	5:00	6:15	7:30
11	POST*	New Home		5:00		6:15

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Lynn County Area Gins BALE COUNT
(reported 11-09-21)

Westex, O'Donnell.....	44,835
Texas Star Coop Gin.....	33,648
New Home Coop, Lakeview..	16,163
Wells Coop Gin.....	12,228
Farmers Coop #1, Tahoka ...	9,487
Woolam Gin, O'Donnell.....	8,250
Garlyn Gin.....	4,410
TOTAL BALES	129,021

Thanksgiving meal fundraiser set Sunday in Wilson

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church in Wilson is hosting a Thanksgiving Meal fundraiser on Sunday, Nov. 14, starting at 11 a.m. The church is located at 1603 15th St. in Wilson.

A turkey and dressing meal will be served for \$8 per plate.

Everyone is invited. Family games and community fellowship will be a part of the event.

Commissioners approve preliminary plats for two new county subdivisions

by JUANELL JONES

Lynn County Commissioners met in regular session Monday morning at the Lynn County Courthouse, approving two preliminary plats for two new subdivisions in the New Home area, accepting the Nov. 2 election canvassing of votes, and other routine business.

Preliminary plats, which show the layout of a proposed subdivision including road and lot layout and approximate dimensions, were presented to commissioners for two new subdivisions in the New Home area, which commissioners approved. Malcolm Farms subdivision, located north-northeast of New Home, begins at the corner of Nora Road and County Road 3, and includes 152 1.1-acre lots. A smaller subdivision, Vista Estates, located between CR 2 and CR 3 on FM 179, includes five 1-acre lots.

Commissioners accepted the canvassing of votes for the Nov. 2 Constitutional Amendment election, and

approved the appointment of Derek Stevens as the county's representative on the Lynn County Appraisal District Board. County officials noted that the appointment is dependent upon approval by the City of Tahoka, as Lynn County and the City of Tahoka share a representative to the board.

Road supplement material was accepted from TxDOT for Commissioner Precincts 2 and 4.

Commissioners adopted an Order for Redistricting Plan for Commissioners and Justice of the Peace Precincts, to officially follow up on the new redistricting lines that had already been approved in a previous meeting.

Some discussion was held regarding the possibility of freezing property taxes for homeowners over age 65, but no action was taken on the issue. County Judge Mike Braddock told commissioners he had visited with officials from seven other counties to get their input on the issue, with only one of those counties (Scurry) choosing to offer the property tax freeze. Reasons both for and against the tax freeze were discussed, but no motion was made on this issue for consideration.

Sheriff Wanda Mason presented a report on her department, and monthly bills for all county offices were approved.

Lynn County Judge Mike Braddock led the meeting, with all four commissioners present including Matt Woodley, John Hawthorne, Don Blair and Larry Durham, as well as other county officials.



Fast Leopard ... New Home's Alex Vitolas (#21) turns on the speed in action at the final regular-season game, hosting Sudan on Friday. The Leopards won 40-6, and advance to the 2A-2 playoffs as District Champions. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

Free entrance to Texas State Parks Nov. 14 in honor of Veterans Day

AUSTIN— In honor of both active and retired military, daily entrance fees at Texas State Parks will be waived for all day-use visitors Sunday, Nov. 14.

"The dedication, sacrifice and service displayed by the women and men that serve in our country's military is unparalleled and is a source of pride throughout the country," said Rodney Franklin, Director of Texas State Parks. "Their commitment to service undoubtedly inspires us at the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. To celebrate their service, Texas State Parks would like to once again invite everyone to spend the day at any one of our beautiful State Parks for free. I am glad that we are able to encourage families to get outside in honor of our veterans."

Anyone planning a trip to a Texas State Park is encouraged to reserve their day passes in advance since some parks are expected to reach their capacity limit. Day passes can be reserved online through the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department website or over the phone by calling (512) 389-8900.

When purchasing a hunting and fishing license, buyers can add a donation of \$1, \$5, \$10 or \$20 to help support the Veterans Commission's Veterans Assistance Fund.

Donations to the Texas Veterans Commission Fund for Veterans' Assistance (FVA) program provide grants to veteran service organizations and nonprofit charitable institutions that assist veterans and their families at the community level throughout Texas.

Area News ...

News items from area newspapers

Klondike FFA team finishes 4th in the nation

LAMESA – Competing on the national level against the best the entire country had to offer, the Klondike FFA Greenhand Chapter Conducting team finished fourth in the nation. The Klondike team was one of only 12 semifinalists from out of about 8,800 teams across the nation that had started the competition.

The team wanted nothing less than to win it all, and were disappointed when they were called out as fourth.

"They were so upset when we were called out for fourth," said Mackenzie Allison, who coaches the team.

"But I am so happy and so proud of them. Fourth in the nation is so good!"

Especially for a group of seven sophomore students who make up almost half of their entire class in the small Klondike school system.

Team members included Addi Cummings, chapter president, who was named the Outstanding Chairman of the national contest; Kolby Pepper, Raleigh Bellows, Creed Warren, Gracie Huffaker, Selina Rodriguez, and Bailey White.

The competition was held in Indianapolis.

-- from the Lamesa Press-Reporter

CDC recommends COVID-19 Pfizer boosters for the following:

- 65 years and older **SHOULD** receive vaccine
- residents in long term care **SHOULD** receive vaccine
- 50-64 with underlying medical conditions (listed on CDC website) **SHOULD** receive vaccine
- 18-49 with underlying medical conditions (listed on CDC website) **MAY** receive vaccine
- 18-64 who are at increased risk of exposure due to occupational exposure (teachers, front-line healthcare workers) **MAY** receive vaccine.

The recommendation is for 6 months **AFTER** last vaccination.

Call the Covid Hotline at 806-561-2076

to schedule a time to get your Covid vaccine or for more information regarding Covid.



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Home for the Holidays Decorating Contest

Sponsored by: **Lynn County Christmas Committee**



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HOUSE & LAWN DECORATING CONTEST REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

Drop registration form off at 2101 Main St. or email to cross82365@gmail.com by Monday, Dec. 6. Call or text Cathy at 806-891-1291 for questions or more information.

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