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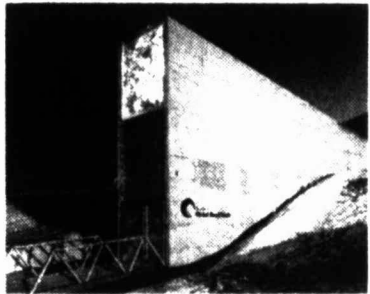
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HOSPITAL BENEFIT

The 41st Annual
LCHD FOUNDATION AUCTION
 benefitting Lynn County
 Healthcare System
 will be Saturday, April 23
 at the Lynn County Show Barn

Did you know?



Did you know there's a secret vault that holds nearly every type of crop seed?

It's the Svalbard Global Seed Vault, located in one of the coldest corners of the world: an island on the Svalbard archipelago, between Norway and the North Pole. This remote location allows the natural permafrost cooling necessary for proper storage of the world's largest collection of crop diversity. It has been called 'the Noah's Ark of plant diversity'. It's an apt description - had Noah's Ark been built to also withstand asteroid impacts and nuclear bombs.

As of September 2021, almost 1.1 million seed samples were stored there. The Vault receives seeds from voluntary depositors, who still own and control access to the seeds.

The Global Seed Vault at Svalbard's arctic archipelago is practically impenetrable and, unless you have actual business there, don't expect to be allowed inside.

WHAT'S OUTSIDE

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Feb 22	50	95	
Feb 23	26	13	
Feb 24	51	16	
Feb 25	47	15	
Feb 26	57	17	
Feb 27	57	22	
Feb 28	64	28	

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

Total Precip for Jan:	0"
Total Precip for Feb:	0.19"
Total Precip. for 2022:	0.19"

One arrested after LCSO SWAT team leads narcotics search warrant here

by JUANELL JONES

Lynn County Sheriff's Office SWAT team (Special Weapons And Tactics) took the lead in executing a narcotics search warrant at a local residence at noon last Thursday that resulted in the arrest of a 42-year-old male here. The arrest was made without incident, with approximately a dozen law enforcement officers surrounding the residential area in the 1700 block of South 1st Street in Tahoka.

Rogelio Perales, 42, who resided at the home, was arrested on two felony counts of Manufacturing/Delivery of a Controlled Substance Penalty Group 1 as well as Tampering with Physical Evidence, after the seven-member SWAT team, including the K-9 unit, assisted by two DPS officers, Sheriff Wanda Mason and Lt. Brent Myer, and Tahoka Police Chief Jeff Parker, executed the warrant.

The arrest was the culmination of a year-long narcotics investigation, according to Sheriff Mason.

Seven LCSO SWAT team members arrived at the scene just before noon with weapons at the ready, with other officers blocking traffic in the surrounding area for the safety of other citizens. Officers gained entry into the house and arrested the suspect without any incident or weapons fired.

An unspecified amount of drugs was seized, including methamphetamines, but officers indicat-

ed to *The News* that it did not appear that the meth was being made at that location.

According to Sheriff Mason, the extreme caution used in executing a warrant of this magnitude is normal procedure for the LCSO, in order to protect law enforcement officers and ensure the safety of citizens, while carrying out these warrants.

During icy weather just before 3 p.m. last Wednesday, a FedEx truck reportedly slid off the road

and rolled over, on US 380 at CR O. Lynn County EMS, Tahoka Volunteer Fire Dept., LCSO, DPS and Tahoka Police all responded to the scene. The female driver was reportedly transported to Lynn County Hospital by EMS for treatment of unknown injuries.

A traffic stop was conducted in a parking lot of a local convenience store in the 1800 block of Lockwood at 1:30 p.m. last Wednesday. The LCSO K-9 unit was requested on the scene and a positive alert

was given, according to LCSO call sheet reports. One of the male occupants of the vehicle was arrested on an active felony warrant for Manufacturing/Delivery of a Controlled Substance and transported to Lynn County Jail.

A possible burglary was reported at 5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26 at a residence on US 87, when a caller reported that he had just noticed the doors and windows on his grandparent's house were all open. He said he had checked on the house on Wednesday morning and everything was okay at that time. A deputy met with the complainant, who was going to check and see if anything was missing from the home.

LCSO responded to a location in O'Donnell at 6 p.m. Feb. 26 to assist when a caller reported that a baby was locked inside a black Ford SUV with the keys locked inside the vehicle.

A 2005 Gran Marquee was reported stolen from a residence in the 1200 block of Gouger Ave. in Wilson, at 9:26 p.m. Feb. 25. The owner of the vehicle told officers that the vehicle was taken from his residence while he was at work by a female he knows, and that she would not respond to his texts or phone calls. An investigation is ongoing.

In Tahoka, a homeowner in the 1600 block of South 4th reported

(See THEFTS, page 6)

Durham defeats challenger for Pct 4 Commissioner seat

Larry Durham, incumbent for the Lynn County Precinct 4 Commissioner seat, will retain his seat in that precinct, after voters chose Durham 177-100 over challenger Karl McDonald, according to unofficial Republican Primary results on Tuesday. There was no challenger in the Democratic Primary for the position.

With a possible 4-7 votes considered provisional for that precinct until authenticated, the official tabulations were not available at press time Tuesday night, but those few ballots would not affect the outcome.

The Republican and Democratic Primary elections were held March 1. Locally, there was only

one contested race among the eight Lynn County offices that were on the ballot in the Republican Primary elections, with Durham seeking re-election for another four-year term and McDonald making a bid for the seat.

All other incumbents were unchallenged in their bids for re-election to their county offices on the Republican ballot. These included County Judge Mike Braddock, District Clerk Courtney Odom, County Treasurer Amy Schuknecht, County Clerk Karen Strickland, Pct. 2 Commissioner John Hawthorne, Justice of Peace Pct. 1 Christie Ollivan, and Justice of Peace Pct. 4 Ed Follis.



Statebound sax trio/soloist ... Tahoka 3-D Band members Makayla Moya, Ane Elizondo, and Michael Heinrich are statebound after earning a Superior rating in their ensemble saxophone performance of "Riverwood Dance" in the UIL Region 16 Solo & Ensemble Contest. Ane also qualified for State as a soloist for her performance of "Brilliance," an alto sax solo composition which was 14 minutes long and earned a Superior along with many complimentary remarks by the judge.



Statebound trombone trio ... Tahoka 3-D Band trombone trio of Estevan Calvillo, Sharyce Delgado, and Jordan Pledger performed "Olde Tyme Songs" in UIL Region 16 Solo & Ensemble Contest, earning a Superior and the right to compete at the Texas State Solo & Ensemble Contest.

STATEBOUND Six Tahoka 3D Band musicians are statebound in Solo/Ensemble contests



Thirteen Tahoka High School 3-D Band students competed recently at the UIL Region 16 Solo & Ensemble Contest, with six musicians earning the opportunity to compete at the State level, in two ensemble trios and one solo competition, on May 30.

The trombone trio of Sharyce Delgado, Estevan Calvillo, and Jordan Pledger performed "Olde Tyme Songs" earning a Superior and right to compete at the Texas State Solo & Ensemble Contest in Pflugerville on May 30.

Performing the sax trio "Riverwood Dance" and earning a Superior and the right to compete

at the TSSEC in Pflugerville was Ane Elizondo, Makayla Moya, and Michael Heinrich. In addition, Ane Elizondo performed a major alto sax solo composition, "Brilliance" which was 14 minutes long and earned a Superior along with many complimentary remarks by the judge. She, too, has the opportunity to compete at the TSSEC

and the right to compete at the Texas State Solo & Ensemble Contest, students must earn a Superior on a class I ensemble or, if a solo, must perform it by memory. The only exceptions are extremely advanced pieces which may be performed with music, like Ane Elizondo performed.

Earning an excellent rating on their flute choir performance of "All Through the Night" was Alysia Elizondo, Ethan Alvarado, Jackie Granados, Ady Jester, Micaela Sullivan, and Katy Whitley. Candy Garcia earned a Superior on her

grade 1 bari sax solo "Romance."

The regional contest was held at Lamesa High School, a satellite audition site for the UIL Region 16 Solo & Ensemble Contest.

"We are extremely proud of these outstanding young people and the way they have improved their playing skills and responded well under the pressure of competition," stated directors Carroll Rhodes and Cristal Burse. "Their level of performance has a positive effect on the overall performance of the Tahoka High School 3-D Band."



DID YOU KNOW?

“ A miniature worth \$37,500 is the most expensive souvenir at Disneyland park. It's a solid crystal replica of Cinderella's Castle, set with more than 28,000 Swarovski crystals, at the Crystal Arts store on Main Street. ”

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Did you know Bill Gates' business partner out-performed him on the SAT? While Bill Gates scored 1590, his business partner, Paul Allen, soared past him at a perfect 1600.

Obituaries

Virginia Willhoit Demic

On November 30, 2021, Virginia Willhoit Demic passed away peacefully in a Tyler, Texas care center. Virginia was a native of Tahoka, but born in Slaton in 1940.

In 1959, she graduated from Tahoka High School as Valedictorian. For a brief period, she attended Tarleton State before transferring to Texas Tech to complete her degree in Elementary Education. After graduating, she taught for one year in Albuquerque. After marrying her college sweetheart, David Demic, they moved to Austin while he finished his Master's Degree. Next, they moved to Tyler where Virginia taught various grade levels in elementary school for 30 years and David taught math at Tyler Junior College.

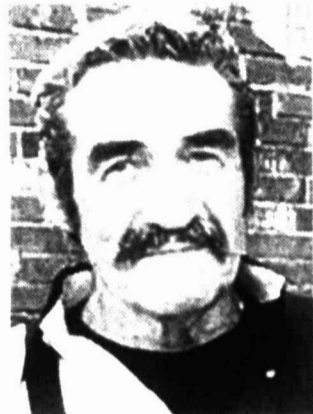
Devoted to her teaching Virginia always left room for her favorite hobbies,

reading, gardening and family genealogical research. After David and Virginia both retired, they spent many hours volunteering at the Tyler Police Department for which they were honored as Volunteers of the Year by the city.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Vernon and Mary Willhoit; her sister, Frances Stephens Barker; and brother Dale Willhoit.

Survivors include her husband, David; a niece Shelley Stevens; nephew Mark Stevens; and several first cousins.

Virginia was laid to rest in a mausoleum in Tyler. No services were held.



William James "Sonny" Elrod Sr.

William James "Sonny" Elrod, SR., age 82, passed away Monday, February 21, 2022. Visitation was held Friday, February 25, from 5-7:00 PM at Chambers Funeral Home in Cisco, Texas. Services were held Saturday, February 26, at 11:00 AM also at the Funeral Home and burial followed at Pioneer Cemetery.

James was born July 2, 1939 in the Pioneer Community in Callahan County to Claudia Mozelle Clark Elrod and Jim Charlie Elrod. He was raised and lived in Cisco, Texas all his life and was an

avid Cisco Lobos football and baseball fan. James worked many years in construction and loved fishing, gardening, furniture restoration and enjoyed collecting barbwire. He spent all his spare time watching western movies that he loved. He was a graduate of Cisco in the class of '59. He married Ruth Ann Ashford September 16, 1960. James was a proud member of the US Navy.

James was preceded in death by his wife of 40 years, Ruth Ann Elrod; mother and step-father, Claudia Clark and Floyd Mellette; father and step-mother, Jim and Mary Elrod; brother, Rodger Elrod; sisters, Mozelle Harris and Delores Fikes; step-brother, Leslie Jones; and infant great-granddaughter, Misty Lee Chapman.

He is survived by six children, William James "Jimmy" Elrod, JR. of Cisco, TX, Rhonda (Jimmy) Antu of Beeville, TX, Beverly (George) Pointer of Cisco, TX, Tommy (Amy) Elrod of Kennedale, Tx, Anthony (Katrin) Elrod of Chesterfield, VA, and Regina (David) Springston of Cibolo, TX; four brothers, Dell (Sherry) Mellette, Danny (Andrea) Mellette, Chris (Sharon) Mellette, and Allen (Pam) Elrod and wife; sister, Wanda (Brad) Brunson; sister-in-law, Rhonda Elrod; 13 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, and 2 great-great grandchildren.

Senior Citizens LUNCH MENU

March 7-11

The dining area is open to visitors! Come see us!

Monday: Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, Italian vegetables, broccoli, Autumn Jell-O.

Tuesday: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, stewed okra, corn, pumpkin square

Wednesday: Chicken fajitas, vegetables, corn, Spanish rice, fruit cocktail

Thursday: BBQ beef, smothered potatoes, pinto beans, apricots

Friday: Baked fish scandia, red potatoes, coleslaw, peach shortcake

Upcoming events:
• Tuesdays will be Game Day from 10 am - 3pm

**ELITE 3
Tahoka's
Ane
Elizondo
makes
All-State
Band for
third time**



ANE ELIZONDO

Tahoka High School 3-D band musician Ane Elizondo

has joined an elite list - she is only the third person in the history of Tahoka Bands to make All-State Band three times, according to THS band directors Carroll Rhodes and Cristal Burse. A junior at Tahoka High School, Ane plays the alto saxophone in the 3-D Band.

The other two people who have advanced three times are Kendra Selmon and Nathaniel Sullivan, both clarinet players, who just barely missed advancing in their freshman year. Those who qualify for the ATSSB All-State Band for three years receive a \$500 scholarship from the State ATSSB and \$300 from the Region 16 ATSSB.

Based on her hard work, Ane, who is currently a junior, could potentially qualify for her fourth year as an All-Stater in her senior year next year, which would make her scholarship jump to \$2000 from the State ATSSB and \$400 from the Region 16 ATSSB.

Since 1995, 23 Tahoka 3-D Band students have qualified for the ATSSB All-State Bands. If anyone in the history of Tahoka prior to 1995 has made the TMEA or ATSSB All-State Band, director Carroll Rhodes would like to know so their name can be placed on the All-State plaque in the band hall.

To qualify for the ATSSB All-State Band a student must place high enough in the Honor Band to qualify for Area where then a very small number will be advanced to State. With Ane, she was first chair at Honor Band in December and then competed against 11 other students from the Lubbock, Amarillo, Midland-Odessa, and El Paso regions for the one chair that advances to the 3A All-State Band.

The 23 Tahoka 3-D Band students who have made the ATSSB All-State Band are: James Mott-trombone, 1999 and 2000; Callie McKay-clarinet-2000 and 01; Kyndra Selmon-clarinet-02,03,04; Ashley McNeely-bass clarinet-04; Alex DeLeon-mallets-06; Hannah Thomas-alto clarinet-10; Bryan Callahan-tuba-11, 12; Cort Fisher-contra-alto clarinet-13; Chris Earnest-bass trombone-15,16; Jordan Fowler-alto sax-17; Dalton Chapman-contra-

alto clarinet-19, Nathaniel Sullivan-clarinet-19, 20, 21; and Ane Elizondo-alto sax-20, 21, 22.

"These students are a major reason for the success of your Tahoka 3-D Band program," stated directors Carroll Rhodes and Cristal Burse. "Their success rubs off on those students around them making them better players."

Up until eight years ago there were two bands, the Symphonic and the Concert, with the highest-ranking students according to auditions at State in the Symphonic. Two Tahoka students were 1st chairs in those years when competition was against 4A-1A: James Moss-2nd chair 1999, and 1st chair 2000, and Alex DeLeon, 1st chair 2006. Eight years ago the two bands were divided into 3A-2A-1A Concert Band and the 4A Symphonic Band.

"All these past All-Staters have become a source of inspiration for the present and future students coming through the Tahoka 3-D Band program," stated the directors.

Did you know?

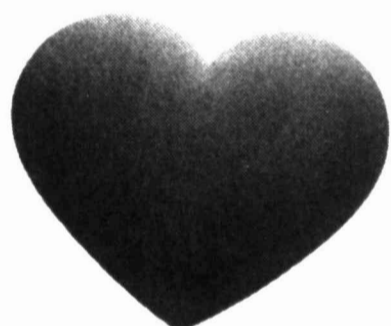
Did you know the world's longest pizza is a mile long?
At 1.15 miles exactly, this whopping pizza was made in, you guessed it, Italy. But how? By the sweat of 250 chefs and about 4,409 pounds of flour.

Did you know the Mississippi River inspired a painting?
Speaking of long, the Mississippi River inspired one of the longest paintings in the world. "Panorama of the Mississippi," by 19th-century American artist John Banvard, was 1,200 feet long. Unfortunately, after his death, Banvard's famous panorama may have been cut up for theatre backdrops.

Did you know an Alaskan town goes dark for over 60 days?
The residents of Barrow, Alaska, must be the most avid consumers of vitamin D supplements, because their town sees darkness for about 65 days of the year. The 65 days of darkness, known as polar night, is due to their geographical location above the Arctic Circle.

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TOO MUCH TO LIST!!!
All must go!

Month of Love



Thank you,
Thank you,
Thank you!

from: Pastor G. Moore
Pleasant Grove Baptist Church

Thank you to ALL of the white people and brown people of Tahoka and Lynn County who helped in any way with Pleasant Grove Baptist Church through the years.

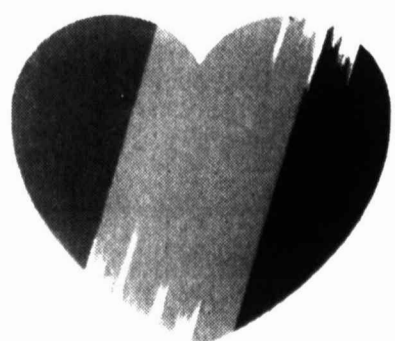
Our history records a time when black people could not attend a white people church. Back in those days, we always had "House Church".

In January 2022, Pleasant Grove Baptist Church was 97 years old.

"We look forward to fellowship with ALL people regardless of race, gender or color.

We appreciate and need your righteous prayers. YES ... I am black, and I am proud".

Pastor G. Moore



BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Auction Time!
Donate Items for
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4th Annual
LCHD Foundation
Auction
Saturday, April 23
at Lynn County Show Barn!
(Proceeds to purchase 2 defibrillators)
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Stealing 2nd ... Tahoka's Brooklyn Harris gets a good jump stealing second base in the Championship game against Floydada here Saturday. Floydada pulled out the win 7-6.

(LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)



Region Band performers ... These 13 Tahoka 3-D Band members performed in the UIL Region 16 Solo & Ensemble Contest, held at Lamesa High School recently. They are, in front from left, Michael Henrich, Ady Jester, Katy Whitley, Ethan Alvarado, Jordan Pledger; second row, director Carroll Rhodes, Jackie Granados, Makayla Moya; third row, Candy Garcia, Alyssa Elizondo, Micaela Sullivan, Estevan Calvillo; and at top, Sharyce Delgado and Ane Elizondo. Six students advanced to state competition, in two ensemble trios, and one solo.

Filing period continues for City of Tahoka election

The filing period for the City of Tahoka's Special Election for the 1-year unexpired term for Pct 1 on the city council continues this week, through Monday, March 7. City officials called for the special election after a recent vacancy of the seat, in order to have the seat filled in the May 7 elections along with other council positions.

As of Tuesday afternoon, two candidates had filed to have their names placed on the ballot for the Pct 1 seat – Robert Webster and Nathan Garcia.



Good citizen ... Tahoka High School senior Amy Tew (center) has been awarded the DAR Good Citizens Award, presented by Libby White (left) and Lezli Vigue, from the Nancy Anderson Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). Tew was nominated by teachers to submit an essay for consideration, and she was chosen for the award from among many candidates. This award also includes a scholarship. The DAR Good Citizens Award and Scholarship Contest, created in 1934, is intended to encourage and reward the qualities of good citizenship, recognizing those individuals who possess the qualities of dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism in their homes, schools, and communities.

Genealogical meeting set March 12th

The public is invited to the South Plains Genealogical Society meeting at Mahon Library, 1306 9th St., Lubbock, on Saturday, March 12th from 10 a.m. until 12 noon, for a collaborative meeting to see "Are We Related?"

"We would like you to bring a copy of your tree with names and dates, and any family or surname sheets with places and dates. We will compare to see if we have any common ancestors and share any new information. You are welcome to bring any pictures to be scanned and a flash drive to save any pictures," invites sponsors.



Don't forget to take your LCN on trips!

The Lynn County News loves to travel – so don't forget to take a photo with The News when you take a trip!

Send us your "Where In The World is the Lynn County News" photos, and we will publish them as soon as space allows. This feature has proven very popular with LCN readers, and we love to see all the fabulous places that our readers travel.

Email your photos to: LynnCoNews@poka.com (include names and location please)

Area News News items from area newspapers

OHS BBQ teams get donation

O'DONNELL – The students of O'Donnell's FCCLA barbeque teams were recently provided with several items to help with their endeavors.

The Eagle Community Action Group presented the students with several tools that will help them in their future competitions, including 15 black and yellow storage tubs with the school BBQ logo, 5 silicone barbecue brushes, two pair of BBQ gloves, 8 shaker bottles with lids, 20 nesting stainless mixing bowls with airtight lids, accompanied with sets of stainless nesting measuring cups and spoons. There was also a digital meat thermometer and 2 meat injectors with stainless steel needles.

O'Donnell currently has two teams going to State competition in Round Rock. The BBQ teams are composed of four students, and they compete within a roped off area in which no other person, including other students or coaches, is allowed.

They begin early in the morning, with wood fires and meat from the stock supplied by the competition, selected by the

luck of the draw. Each team draws a number to be allowed a turn to select the raw meat they will be cooking, and must prepare all foods from scratch, beginning the morning of the competition.

O'Donnell has four BBQ teams, and each team may have alternates or "angels" to help with the initial setup until the rope is in place. O'Donnell now has 21 students involved with the barbeque competition.

-- from the O'Donnell Index-Press

Look who's

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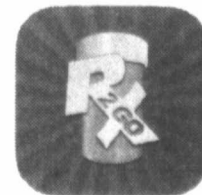
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Lynn County Area Gins BALE COUNT
(reported 3-01-2022)

Westex, O'Donnell*	184,460
Texas Star Coop Gin*	137,544
New Home Coop, Lakeview*	99,352
Wells Coop Gin - RECORD*	72,860
Woolam Gin, O'Donnell*	57,980
Farmers Coop #1, Tahoka*	54,262
Garlyn Gin*	26,150
TOTAL BALES*	632,608

*Denotes Final

County burn ban criteria explained at meeting

by JUANELL JONES

Lynn County Commissioners met in regular session Monday at the Lynn County Courthouse, considering a routine business agenda and discussing the criteria of the county burn ban, which is currently in effect. The burn ban prohibits outdoor burning in all unincorporated areas of the county, with the exception of prescribed controlled burns of agricultural land that are conducted according to certain criteria.

"The only outdoor burning that is permissible at this time is a controlled burn of agricultural land that has been prescribed by the NRCS, and the landowner must also pre-notify the Lynn County Sheriff's Office about the burn," Lynn County Judge Mike Braddock told *The News*.

Commissioners issued a 90-day burn ban on Jan. 24, which will remain in effect until April 24, unless commissioners choose to rescind the ban due to an increase in precipitation in the county. Anyone who burns outdoors during a burn ban is committing a Class C misdemeanor

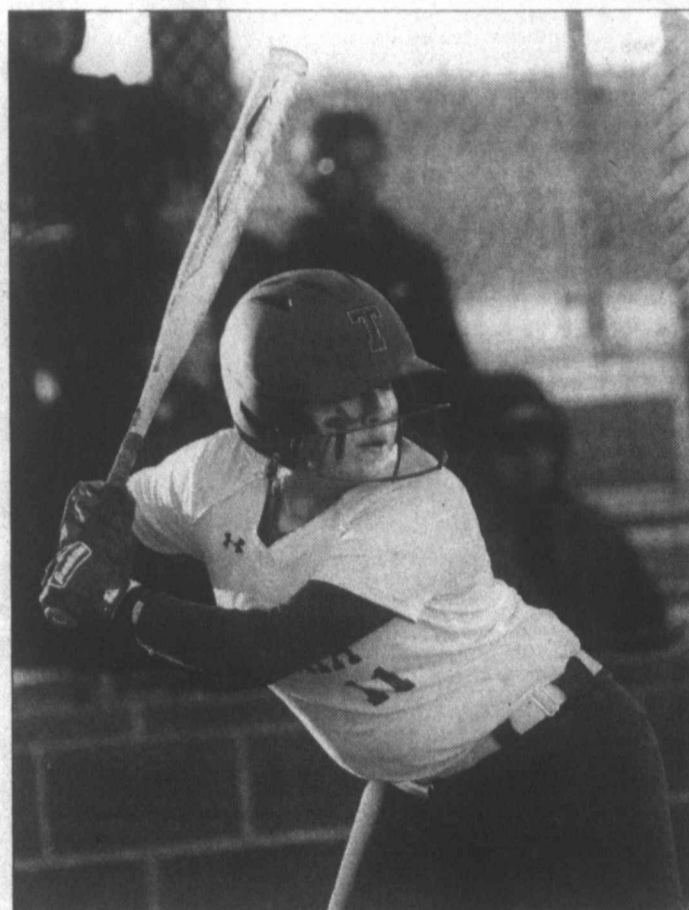
and can be issued a fine of up to \$500 for the offense of "Violate County Order-Burn Ban."

In other business, commissioners approved an order regulating temporary political campaign signs on county property, and accepted a donation of road material for CR Nora CR 1 from Brent Preston with Scarlett Land and Cattle Company.

Commissioners continued discussions on whether to propose a property tax freeze on homesteads for homeowners ages 65-and-over in Lynn County, similar to what school districts offer, but have not yet reached a decision on this issue. Information is still being gathered to ascertain the impact such a tax freeze would have on county revenues.

Sheriff Wanda Mason presented a report on her department's activities, and monthly bills were approved.

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



Homerun ...

Tahoka's Malaya Garcia hits a homer in the Lady Bulldogs in the Championship game against Floydada, and her teammates celebrate the homerun in the photo below. The game was the culmination of a softball tournament held in Tahoka last weekend. Floydada edged past the Lady Bulldogs 7-6 for the championship trophy.
(Lynn Photos by Gary Jones)



4-H San Antonio Stock Show results

Lynn County 4-H member, Lincoln Graham, placed 5th in the middle weight Charolais class at the San Antonio Stock Show. Remi Donald placed 8th with her hereford in the middle weight class.

Paislee Allison sang the National Anthem at the Barrow Auction in San Antonio.

IF YOU CAN
BELIEVE
IT
THE MIND CAN
ACHIEVE
IT.

—RONNIE LOTT

Lynn County 4-H District 2 results

Lynn County 4-H members competed in a virtual competition for the District 2 meet recently held in Lubbock. Results are as follows:

Educational Presentations – Beef: 1st Place Garrett Sanders – Intermediate. Health and Wellness: 2nd Place Gracie Jones – Juniors, 1st Place Kaden McDonald and Leland McDonald, 2nd Place Brayson Beck, and 3rd Place Wyatt Jones, all Intermediate. 1st Place Brazos Beck – Senior. Public Speaking: 3rd Place Lincoln Graham. Share the Fun: 1st Place Paislee Allison – Vocal – Juniors and Musical/Instrumental – Junior

Area News

O'Donnell loses to Guthrie in 1A Bi-District

LAMESA – A sluggish start forced the O'Donnell Eagle boys into spending the rest of the night playing catch up against Guthrie in their Class 1A Bi-District playoff game last Tuesday at Lubbock Roosevelt.

After jumping out to a quick 15-6 lead in the first quarter, the Guthrie Jaguars coasted to a 76-54 victory.

Junior Eufemio Ortiz's 25 points led all O'Donnell scorers Tuesday night. Senior John Resendez also reached double digits with 11 points. Tyson Bundy had 9 points, Mason Bolton had 7, and Tyler Bundy had 2.

The Eagles, who reached the playoffs the past four seasons, finished the year at 21-10.

With four of this year's Eagle starting five coming back next season, the future looks promising at O'Donnell.

-- from the Lamesa Press-Reporter

AUCTION

Friday, March 4th ... 9:30 am

LOCATION: O'Donnell, TX. Intersection of Highway 87/South Loop 76, go 1/2 mile east to Sale Site north of Woolam Gin Yard.

Ronnie Smith Estate & Neighbors - Owners

"Due to the death of Mr. Smith, the following will be offered at public auction"

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EQUIPMENT : 16 R JD 1720 MaxEmerge Planter (NICE)...40 Pieces of Assorted Farm Equipment including Tanks, Spray Equipment and Miscellaneous

Monday, March 7th ... 9:30 am

LOCATION: Whiteface, TX. From Levelland, US 385 and TX 114 west 16 miles to sale site. Sale Site located on the east side of Whiteface at the Old Coop Gin yard.

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EQUIPMENT: 50+ Pieces of Assorted Farm Equipment plus Tanks...Spray Equipment, and Much more.

Wednesday, March 9th ... 10:00 am

LOCATION: Littlefield, TX. From the Intersection of State highway 385 and Loop 430 on the north side of Littlefield, go North on State Highway 385 (Dimmit Highway) .8 tenths of 3/4 of a mile to the Sale Site on the East Side of State Highway 385 (At the Fire Works Stand).

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All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are hereby required to present them to our attorney, Jessica E. Chapman, at the address given below, before suit on same are barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such estate is closed, and within the time otherwise prescribed by law. The address to which claims may be presented is 2112 Indiana Avenue, Lubbock, Texas 79410.

DATED February 25, 2022

By: Rex Riley Swann

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Gayle Elizabeth Carr, Deceased, were issued on February 24, 2022, in Cause No. 2022PR0003, pending in the County Court of Lynn County, Texas, to Joel Douglas Neugebauer.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

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/s/ W. Calloway Huffaker
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OWNER: CITY OF TAHOKA

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Thefts in police reports ...

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that several items were discovered missing on Feb. 27, including a guitar, a Blue-Ray player, and a harp. The homeowner told police that the items were missed after several individuals helped in cleaning the house.

Two calls during the week were for animal welfare concerns. A caller on Feb. 21 reported two horses and a donkey on FM 400 were not being taken care of, with no food or water available for the animals. On Feb. 24, a caller reported that two dogs had been left at a rent house by the renters, at a location on FM 211.

A DPS trooper called LCSO to report he was trying to put out a small grass fire north of the FM 400 overpass on US 87 at 3:37 p.m. Feb. 22, but requested that Tahoka VFD respond to the scene as well.

O'Donnell VFD was initially paged out to a report of a grass fire northeast of FM 1054 and FM 2053 at 2:46 p.m. Feb. 25, but the fire turned out to be a controlled burn that was almost burned out.

A caller reported someone was setting off some type of explosives or fireworks in an area on FM 1730 at 7 p.m. Feb. 27, but an LCSO deputy responding to the scene was unable to locate any suspects or evidence of fireworks.

Tahoka VFD was called to a residence in the 2100 block of N. 7th at 4:45 p.m. Feb. 23, when a resident reported smoke coming from an apartment.

A young female, approximately 10 years old, was seen walking alone on

US 87 near the Star overpass in Tahoka at noon Sunday, and a concerned caller notified the Tahoka Police Dept. about the girl. Police responded immediately to the area but were unable to locate the young female. Within a few minutes, however, the girl arrived at the police station, having been brought to the station by a passerby who had apparently picked up the girl on the side of the road. The girl told police that she was from elsewhere, but further investigation revealed that the girl was local. Police notified Children's Protective Services, who interviewed the girl and contacted her parents, who came to the station. CPS also conducted a home visit as part of the investigation.

An 8-year-old girl who was apparently playing with a grandparent's phone made a 9-1-1 hangup call at 9:45 p.m. Saturday. Officers arriving at the location pinged by the 9-1-1 service spoke with the grandparents, who discovered the granddaughter had made the call in error.

Animal Control picked up a dog in the 1700 block of South 1st at 3:15 p.m. Feb. 22, after the dog reportedly killed two roosters in a back yard. The dog's owner was also issued a citation.

Other calls during the week were for suspicious persons/vehicles, welfare concerns, civil matters, and domestic disturbances, including one incident on Feb. 23 involving an argument between two females at a residence in the 1700 block of South 1st. One female was arrested on charges of domestic assault.



Bi-District & Area Champions ... The New Home Leopards defeated the Morton Indians 84-38 on Monday, February 21 to win the Class AA Bi-District Championship, and then advanced to the Area round, defeating Forsan 74-49 for the Area title last Thursday. The Leopards were to face Seagraves in the Regional Quarterfinals on Tuesday night.



Quarterfinal Champions ... The New Home Lady Leopards defeated the Sudan Hornettes 71-58 on Tuesday, February 22 to win the Class AA Regional Quarterfinal championship. The Lady Leopards advanced to the Regional Tournament at the Texan Dome in Levelland, and were edged out 47-44 in overtime by the Lady Hounds of Gruver to end their playoff run in the Regional Semifinals.

Area News from area newspapers

LISD Board flips decision on superintendent

LAMESA – Lamesa school board members last Thursday faced heavy criticism for their 4-3 vote last month to not extend LISD Superintendent Jim Knight's contract for an additional year – into 2025 – after conducting his job evaluation.

By the end of a 3.5 hour meeting, board members had received a hoard of complaints before flipping their previous 4-3 decision against the extension to a 4-3 vote in support of adding another year to Knight's existing contract.

"I promise ya'll, I'm not perfect. The board knows that. My wife knows that," Knight said. "I just feel like at this stage – last month's meeting – I feel like I was kicked out of the process."

The long meeting was a contentious one. More than 60 school teachers and administrators, three elected officials and a former high school principal packed the district's board room. Only six people signed up to speak before the board. Carter Schildknecht presented school board president Rebecca

Gonzales with a petition containing 239 signatures supporting school superintendent Jim Knight.

School board member April Martinez cast the turning vote. Last month, she voted against the extension. Thursday she added her supporting vote to those of board members Melissa Cazares, Beverly Brewer and Cam Wade in adding another year to the contract. Board president Rebecca Gonzales and board members Kelli Merritt and Ernest Ogeda maintained their opposing votes. -- from the Lamesa Press-Reporter

Lamesa hospital gets listing in top 100

LAMESA – Medical Arts Hospital (MAH) in Lamesa is among a list of 99 other hospitals across the country – including eight others in Texas – to be recognized among Chartis Center on Rural Health's annual list of the top 100 rural and community hospitals.

"I'm just very proud of our hospital; our physicians and our staff. We deserve this honor," said Letha Stokes, MAH chief executive officer. "We've come through two years of COVID and come out on the other side, and I'm very proud."

Other Texas hospitals on that list are Childress Regional Medical Center, Columbus Community Hospital, Baylor Scott & White Medical Center in Marble Falls, Hill Country Memorial Hospital in Fredericksburg, Peterson Health in Kerrville, Rolling Plains Memorial Hospital in Sweetwater, and Seymour Hospital. -- from the Lamesa Press-Reporter

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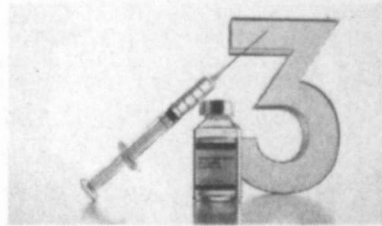
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