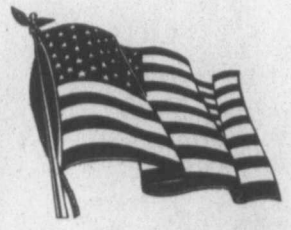


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Did you know?

Google hires goats to mow their company lawn.



In an effort to reduce carbon emissions, Google signed a contract with the goat herding company, California Grazing, in 2009. Since then, every year, a herd of 200 goats munches the grass and the bushes growing outside the Mountain View headquarters. It turns out to be no more expensive than hiring lawnmowers, but much more planet-conscious.

WHAT'S OUTSIDE

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Dec 20	48	24	
Dec 21	56	11	
Dec 22	17	7	
Dec 23	18	9	
Dec 24	38	13	
Dec 25	58	19	
Dec 26	57	30	

(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 Mar:	0.19"
Total Precip for Apr:	0"
Total Precip for May:	0.60"
Total Precip for June:	1.19"
Total Precip for July:	0.65"
Total Precip for Aug:	5.53"
Total Precip for Sept:	0.39"
Total Precip for Oct:	2.36"
Total Precip for Nov:	1.04"
Total Precip for Dec:	0.22"
Total Precip. for 2022:	12.36"



Tahoka Stock Show slated this weekend

The Tahoka Livestock Show will be held Friday and Saturday, Dec. 30-31, at the Lynn County Showbarn, with area residents welcome to attend.

Pulled pork and jumbalaya will be served at the concession stand both days. Families are encouraged to show off their trailers on both days as well.

"All are welcome to come support Tahoka youth in Ag!" said Shelby Hannum, Tahoka

FFA sponsor.

The showbarn will open Friday from 8-10 a.m. for moving in swine, with a final call for weight cards at 10:30 a.m.

The Swine show begins at 11 a.m. Friday, in the following order: Berk, Duroc, Spot, Poland/Dark OPB, Hamp, Chester/White OPB, York, Dark Cross, and Other Cross. All swine must be removed from grounds after the show.

On Saturday, the barn is open from 8-10 a.m. for moving in animals, with a 10:30 a.m. final call for weight cards. The Show begins at 11 a.m., in the following order: Market Lambs, Market Goats, PeeWee Goats, Mini Herefords, Beef Heifers, and Market Steers.

Presentation of buckles, banners and Tahoka Stock Show Syndicate Funds will follow the Steer show.

LAW ENFORCEMENT REPORTS

Pickup strikes deer; several arrests made during traffic stops in county

by JUANELL JONES

One traffic accident involving striking a deer, and several arrests relating to drugs/firearms were in law enforcement reports during the week before Christmas.

A 2018 Ford F-150 pickup struck a deer a half mile south of US 380 on FM 179 at 9:28 p.m. Dec. 22. The driver called Lynn County Sheriff's Office to report the accident, reporting that there was some damage to the front passenger side of the truck, making his vehicle undrivable. A deputy responded to the scene.

Two arrests were made after a traffic stop on a Chevy Cruze on US 87 near CR 17 at 9:16 p.m. Dec. 18. After conducting a vehicle search, the deputy reportedly found a firearm inside the vehicle that was reported as stolen from Lubbock County. An adult male in the vehicle was arrested on an outstanding warrant for convicted felon of a firearm, and he was also charged with unlawful possession of a firearm by felon. A juvenile inside the vehicle was also arrested on charges of theft of a firearm. He was released to the juvenile probation officer.

A male driver was arrested on charges of possession of a controlled substance after a traffic stop on US 87 near CR 6, at 9:39 p.m.

Dec. 19. The vehicle was towed.

Another arrest was made during a traffic stop on a vehicle two miles east of the Sheriff's office on US 380, at 7:45 p.m. Dec. 24. A male was arrested on multiple charges, including resisting arrest/transport, possession of drug paraphernalia, and failure to identify.

A caller reported two large dogs, a German Shepherd mix and another dog, were being aggressive toward other dogs, and had already killed a cat, in a call to LCSO at 8:26 a.m. Dec. 18 from a residence in the 1300 block of Gouger Ave. in Wilson. A deputy spoke to the complainant about the issue.

LCSO deputies assisted Garza County with a search for a possible missing person last seen in the area of FM 211 and CR HH, at 1:52 a.m. Dec. 20, searching for a male in a red Chevy Camaro. They were unable to locate a vehicle matching the description.

Lubbock County SO reported they had received a call at 9:27 p.m. Dec. 20 reporting a person walking in the northbound lanes of US 87 near Poka Lambro offices, wear-

ing light-colored clothing and carrying a flashlight. LCSO deputies searched the area but were unable to locate anyone.

Tahoka Police responded to a residence in the 2200 block of N. 2nd at 9 p.m. Dec. 23 when a caller reported an animal welfare concern about a dog left outside in the extreme cold weather. Police contacted the homeowner, who reportedly put the dog inside for the night.

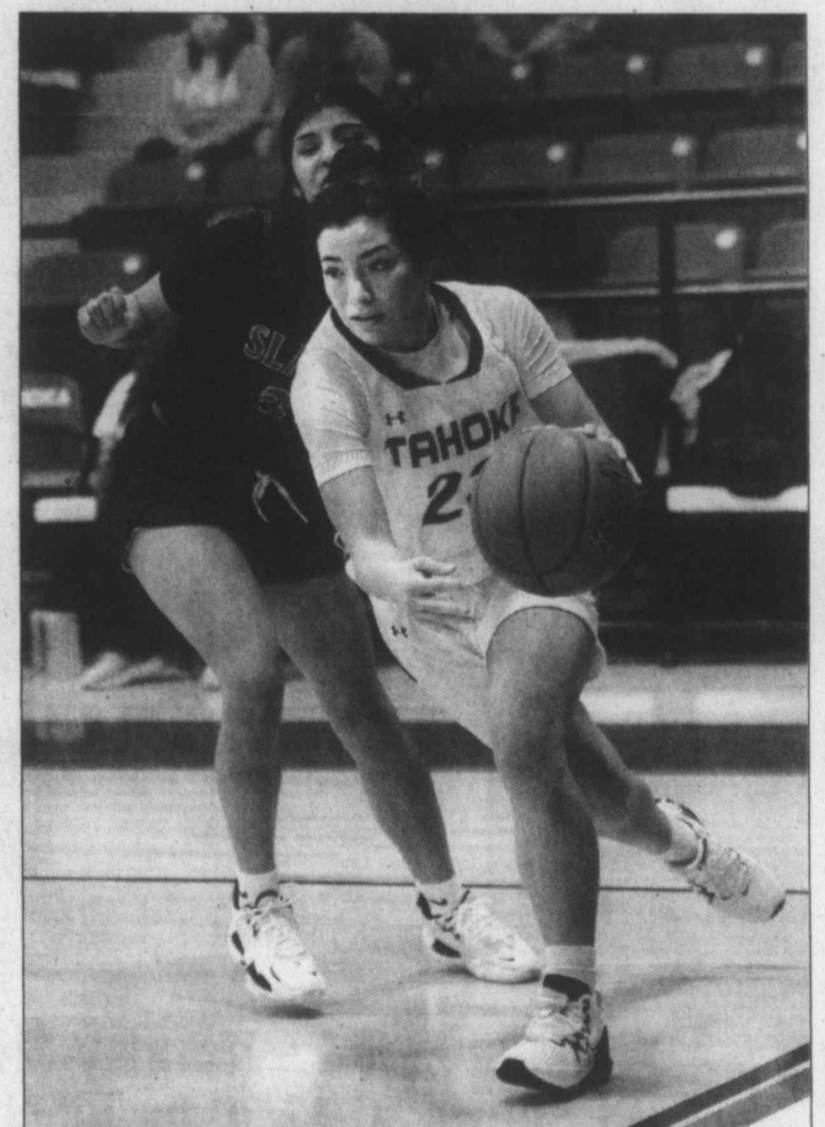
A hit and run accident was reported to police at 8:15 p.m. Dec. 25, when an unoccupied gray Kia Sorento that was parked at Ave. P and N. 5th was struck by a dark-colored truck, causing some damage

to the vehicle.

Police received two calls reporting a suspicious person walking around with a flashlight around a storage facility in Tahoka at 11 p.m. Dec. 23. Police located a man walking with a flashlight, who said that he was looking for a dog.

Police issued a criminal trespass for two persons from entering a local store, on Dec. 24.

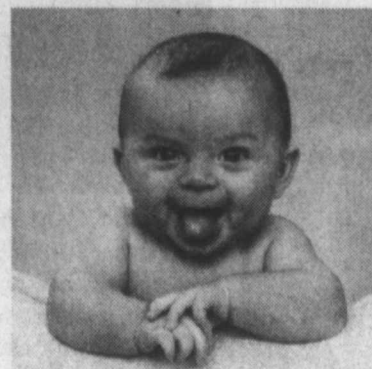
Other calls during the week were for welfare concerns, assisting stranded motorists, a child custody dispute, unwanted persons, alarm notifications, loud music, suspicious activity, reckless drivers, and assisting EMS.



Going in ... Lady Bulldog Kylee Ramos is headed for the basket in a recent matchup between Slaton and Tahoka. Tahoka squeaked by for the win, 36-35. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

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Celebration ... Phebe K Warner Club member Nan Adams (seated) celebrated her 90th birthday with a party at the Texas Tech museum, in November. Pictured with Nan are, from left, Delores Short, Cindy Leverett, and Pat Park. Nan was also presented with her 55-year service pin.

Phebe K Warner Club has busy holiday season

The GFWC Phebe K. Warner Club in Tahoka has been active this fall and holiday season. Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas cards were sent to residents in Lynnwood, and club members sent Christmas cards to the Lynn County Pioneers Senior Citizens food delivery recipients.

PKW club participated in the Domestic Violence Awareness State project, placing Domestic Violence stickers on outgoing mail that members sent in October.

The club participated in an International GFWC project, "Color the World with Kindness." Crayons were donated by Dollar Tree and Dollar General, which was greatly appreciated.

"This project is to make children aware of the need to protect the bee pollinators. Bee Coloring sheets were provided with crayons to the children at the Grace Community Methodist Church Day Care. Another State project Phebe K. participated in was the

purchase of a Bee hive from Heifer International which will serve to a family becoming self-supporting. Heifer International matched the PKW purchase of a bee hive with another hive.

Club member Nan Adams celebrated her 90th birthday with a party at the Teks Tech museum, in November. Pat Park, Delores Short and Cindy Leverett attended. Cindy presented Nan with her 55 year service pin.

Phebe K. Club celebrated the December meeting with a Christmas party. Each member received a GFWC pin. The members who received pins for over 25 years of service were Edna White 55 years, Rebecca Ingle 45 years, Mary Belew 45 years, Carolyn Stephens 45 years, Loretta Tekell 35 years, Betsy Pridmore 30 years, Pat Park 25 years, and Stephanie Stephens 25 years.

A picture and story from an Amarillo paper of Mrs. Phebe K. Warner which was found in old records has

been framed and placed in the Tahoka Pioneer Museum. GFWC Phebe K. Warner Tahoka club was named after Mrs. Warner in 1923. Mrs. Phebe K. Warner originated the first women's club in 1903. It was the first such organization in the country and the idea spread worldwide. The club was to empower women to improve education and serve their communities.

Mrs. Phebe K. Warner was also known as a women's rights advocate, and was an advocate of state park systems. She was one of the first to envision a state park in Palo Duro Canyon, serving on the Texas State Park Board. She served as the National Representative to the Homebuilders Committee in 1929.

McCleskey is SHSU grad

Devin McCleskey of Tahoka was among students who received degrees during the 2022 Fall semester at Sam Houston State University, in Huntsville, Tx. McCleskey graduated Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Arts degree in History.

Area News

from area newspapers

Son accused of killing his father

LAMESA - What seemed at first like a routine call for police to check on a local resident's welfare has resulted in a Lamesa man being arrested on a charge of killing his father.

Adam Flores, age 33, was arrested after the body of his father, 62-year-old Victor Flores Sr., was found inside the Lamesa residence which the two men shared, according to Lamesa Police Chief Josh Peterson.

Charged with murder, Adam Flores was booked into the Dawson County Jail on Friday, Nov. 25.

Peterson said officers initially went to the residence after police received a call on Friday morning from another family member requesting police check on the welfare of the elder Flores. A short time after arriving at the residence, Peterson said, officers made contact with Adam Flores when he came to the door of the residence.

"After a short interview, Adam was detained and officers entered the residence to conduct the welfare check," Peterson said.

Upon entering the residence, officers discovered the body of Victor Flores Sr., according to a press release. Police detectives were then notified and took over the investigation. With the assistance of the district attorney's office, a warrant was later obtained charging Adam Flores with his father's murder, said the police chief.

The chief declined to specify exactly how the elder Flores is believed to have been killed, but he did say no gun was used.

-- from the Lamesa Press-Reporter

Seminole HS gets Noah basketball shooting system

Noah Shooting System, Noah Basketball's shot tracking system, was recently installed in Seminole High School.

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Where in the world is The Lynn County News?



In Mexico! ... Jackye Neal and Junior Buxkemper took their Lynn County News with them on a trip to Costa Maya, Mexico, taking a moment for this photo op. The News is more than 1900 miles from home!



Gifts for seniors ... Last Thursday the Tahoka Rotary Club delivered 37 gifts to their Senior Santa recipients. Each club member took several names, purchasing gifts from their own pockets, to brighten someone's day. Pictured here is club member Brek Young ready to deliver one of the gifts.

Where in the world is The Lynn County News?



At the 9/11 Memorial ... Ariel, Andrea, and Arthur Castaneda Jr visited the 9/11 memorial in New York City recently, showing their Lynn County News. They are the children of Allegra Ramirez and Arthur Castaneda. The News is more than 1,800 miles from home.

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Thursday: BBQ Chicken breast, roasted ranch potatoes, summer squash, salad, peach cobbler

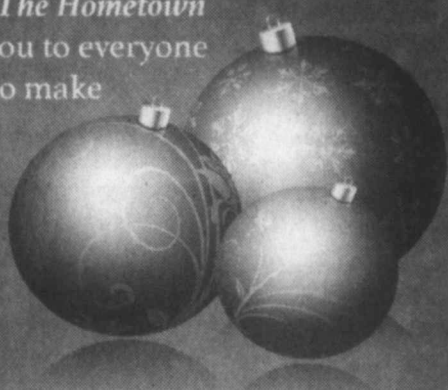
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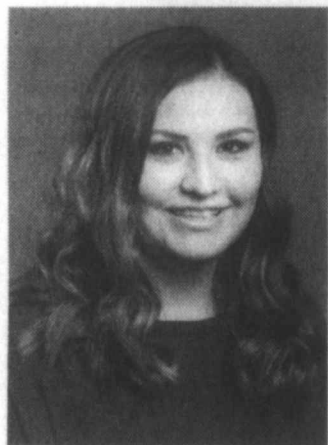
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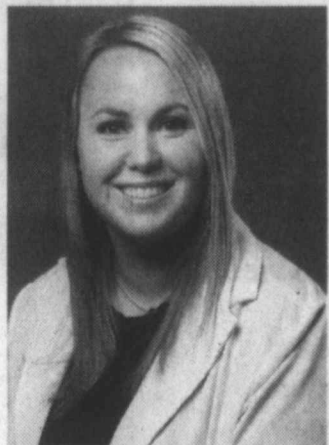
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Woolam Gin, O'Donnell	3,700
Garlyn Gin.....	*2,225
Farmers Coop #1, Tahoka	N/A
TOTAL BALES	96,382

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Area News
from area newspapers

Slaton students, teachers honored for saving a life

SLATON - Several Slaton High School ag students and teachers were honored by the Slaton Independent School District Thursday evening, Dec. 8, during the Board of Trustees monthly meeting, for saving another student's life.

Those recognized were Andy Gutierrez, son of Brandi Miller; Zamion Davila, grandson of Isabel Maldonado; Quaid Doshier, son of Joanne and Jaime Doshier; Aiden Fletcher, son of Jeannie and Manual Castanuela; Diego Gomez, son of Angela Cantu; Jayden Jones, son of Tristian and Corey Jones; Adam Westbrook, Ag teacher; and Sherri Arrington, school nurse and teacher at Slaton High School.

They were credited with saving the life of fellow student Andy Gutierrez.

Supt. Jim Andrus said on Oct. 22, Westbrook and the ag students were out at the Ag barn cutting pigs, a routine procedure, though Andrus said it was not such this year.

"Mr. Westbrook had cut the pig and was preparing to inject antibiotics when the pig kicked his arm," he said.

When the pig kicked Westbrook's arm, the scalpel punctured Gutierrez's forearm, severing the radial artery.

That is where the other students came in.

"It was the fast action of Aiden, Diego and Jayden, who applied pressure and helped get Andy to the truck, and the incredibly quick thinking of Zamion and Quaid who remembered their 'Stop The Bleed' training," said Andrus.

"They took off their shirts and belts, made emergency tourniquets and continued to

Lynn County Stock Show scheduled for Jan. 11-14

Area youth are busy preparing their animals for the annual Lynn County Stock Show that will be held Jan. 11-14, 2023 at the Lynn County Showbarn.

The showbarn will open at 8 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 11, with weigh-in and classifying of cattle from 5-6:30 p.m., and weigh-in and classifying of sheep and goats from 6:30-8 p.m. Swine can arrive anytime on Wednesday.

On Thursday, Jan. 12, the show begins at 9 a.m. with the Sheep Show, followed by the Goat Show, including the PeeWee Goat Show. The Cattle Show begins at 12 noon, and includes the Miniature Hereford Show. Swine must be in place by

6:30 p.m. and swine will be weighed and classified from 6:30-9:00 p.m.

The Baked Goods Show will begin at 8 a.m. Friday, Jan. 13, but those planning to enter the show are reminded that all Baked Good Show entries are due by Google Form no later than midnight on Monday, Jan. 2. E-mail lynncolivestock@yahoo.com for google form or for more information.

The Swine Show begins at 9 a.m. Friday, Jan. 13, and continues throughout the day.

A Fajita Dinner will be served at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 14, with the Presentation of Awards and Auction Sale to begin at 6 p.m. A dance will follow.

McGavock Nissan gives donation for LCSO K9 Explosives team

by JUANELL JONES
Lynn County Commissioners met in their last regular session of 2022 on Tuesday, Dec. 27, for a routine agenda. The meeting, led by County Judge Mike Braddock, was held at 9:30 a.m. at the Lynn County Courthouse.

A \$500 donation from McGavock Nissan was accepted for the Lynn County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) Explosives K9 (Kova) team.

Commissioners approved a Resolution with South Plains Region for a Mutual Aid Agreement, and approved bonds for a slate of county officials, including Gabrielle Rosales, Karen Strickland, Mandi Stone, Heather Hedges and Christie Olivan.

Chief Deputy Derek Hester presented an inmate report for the Lynn County Jail, reporting 44 total inmates

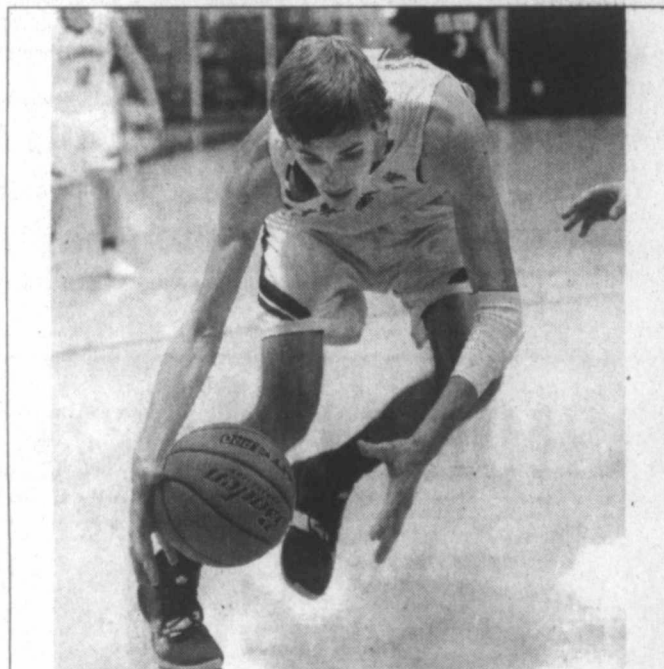
including 31 for Lynn County, 12 for Bell, and 1 for Dawson County. He reported that the Lynn County Sheriff's Office conducted a toy drive for Christmas, presenting gifts to a total of 14 children in six families.

Chief Hester also reported that LCSO will conduct an active-shooter training for Tahoka ISD staff members on January 4.

Judge Braddock informed the court that the swearing-in ceremonies for all elected officials who were re-elected in the November General Election will be conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2023.

Monthly bills were approved.

All commissioners were present for the meeting, including Matt Woodley, John Hawthorne, Don Blair, and Larry Durham.



Slippery ... Tahoka's Talon Ausbern controls a rebound in a game against Slaton, at Tahoka gym Dec. 16. Slaton slipped by for the win over the Bulldogs, 37-34.

(LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

apply pressure as Mr. Westbrook drove back to the campus.

"Mrs. Arrington was waiting with a medical tourniquet and compress. When the ambulance arrived and began treating Andy, it became clear that all of these remarkable people had combined

their efforts to save Andy's life."

Gutierrez said he had to have bypass surgery on the artery, but was feeling good. He will have to have physical therapy for six weeks and hopes to have feeling in his arm in about six months.

-- from the Slatonite

LEARNING SELF-DEFENSE!



Lt Darren Walters, with the Tahoka Police Department, spent four days teaching self-defense techniques to the high school girls PE class at Tahoka High School before the Christmas break, showing the students the moves and then having them practice each technique. The students had fun while also learning important safety tips. (TISD PHOTOS by Lanae Gwin)



Elementary UIL winners ... Tahoka Elementary students participated in the UIL meet in Sundown on December 1st. These are the students that placed. First row: Treble Castor, Rhylee Hannum, Lizzie Mae Hodges, Sloan Reglin, Shade Castor; middle row: Marcus Devaughn, Logan Engle, Paxton Chrestman, Dominic Lopez, Tripp Hall, Lukas Porter, Kinley Filley, Avery Hadderton; top row: Hensley Hawthorne, Brock Stephens, Paityn Chrestman, Dani Shirley, Abry Rodriguez, Westin Woodley, Paislee Allison, Kamryn Ramos, Lola Marmolejo; (not pictured- McKynlie Rodriguez). Dana Taylor would like to thank all of those who helped to make the UIL meet successful.

FSA accepting offers for State Acres for Wildlife Enhancement Initiatives

The United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) is conducting sign-up for the Conservation Reserve Program's (CRP) State Acres for Wildlife Enhancement (SAFE) Initiatives. Farmers and landowners in the Prairie SAFE Project area - which includes Lynn County - may be eligible to participate. The SAFE projects are available through CRP's Continuous Signup.

"This SAFE project provides a unique opportunity for farmers and landowners to be actively engaged with protecting rare, threatened, and endangered species for future generations through implementing conservation practices" said Lauren Motloch, County Executive Director.

The goal of the Prairie SAFE Project is to reconnect geographically and reproductively isolated populations of Lesser Prairie Chickens, Northern Bobwhite and other grassland species by creating, restoring, and maintain 250,000 acres of native prairie habitat patches and corridors.

Potential benefits of Prairie SAFE include habitat restoration for grassland wildlife, improving water and air quality, improving plant health, erosion and runoff prevention, and water quality and aquifer recharge improvement.

For accepted offers, a wildlife conservation plan must be developed.

CRP enrolls existing cropland into conservation cover. Land offered for enrollment must satisfy basic CRP eligibility and cropping history requirements. Farmers and landowners should check with their local FSA office to determine individual

eligibility.

The CRP program pays a yearly rental payment in exchange for farmers and landowners removing environmentally sensitive land from agricultural production and planting species that will improve environmental quality.

Financial assistance through the SAFE projects may include:

- 10-15 years of annual rental payments
- Payments of up to 50% cost-share for practice establishment
- Practices enrolled through CRP Continuous Sign-up will also receive:
- A 50% Practice Incentive

Payment

• Sign-up Incentive Payment equal to 32.5% of first full year's annual rental payment

• A Climate Smart Annual Practice Incentive of 3, 5, or 10 based on the practice cover

Payments up to 90% of established Soil Rental Rate may be possible for:

- Habitat Buffers for Upland Birds
- Permanent Wildlife Habitat

Farmers and landowners interested in learning more about the Prairie SAFE Project can contact the Lynn County FSA office at 806-998-4501.

You can give a gift that will keep on giving ... now and for generations to come.



A Foundation gift is a permanent investment benefitting Lynn County Hospital District. The LCHD Foundation, created in 2018, is a 501c3 designated fund that will enhance Lynn County communities and citizens and their medical needs at Lynn County Hospital District. Please consider the LCHD Foundation for your year-end giving.

Donations can be made to the LCHD Foundation at P.O. Box 1310, Tahoka, TX. 79373. Your donation is greatly appreciated.

For more information, contact Seth Manly at 806-998-4533 ext. 430

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Borzoi in the park ... This Colorado couple was traveling through Tahoka before Christmas, stopping at the downtown park to walk their two Borzois, Beau and Pasha, around the downtown area and the courthouse square, passing in front of the News Office. The dogs, while very large, were friendly. The Borzoi is a Russian breed of hunting dog formerly used for wolf hunting, and until 1936 was known as the Russian Wolfhound.

