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THS All Sports Reunion To Be Held July 8

The annual THS All Sports Reunion will be held Saturday, July 8 at the T-Bar Country Club in Tahoka. Things will kick off with golf at 10 a.m., a BBQ dinner will be served at 6 p.m. and live entertainment will commence at 8:30 p.m. All ex-Bulldog athletes and coaches and their spouses are invited to attend.

This year's reunion will honor former coaches Jake Jacobs, Bill Sharpley and the late A.D. Shaver, as well as former football announcer Clint Walker, and Granvel Ayers, who filmed the games. The late Bill Haralson, a former coach at THS, will be honored with a special tribute.

Former athletes are asked to bring along any pictures, annuals or other memorabilia to share with participants.

"We would like for some of the younger athletes to attend this year as well as any former or current coaches and their spouses," said one reunion organizer.

For more information, contact Mr. or Mrs. Joe Brooks at 998-4152.



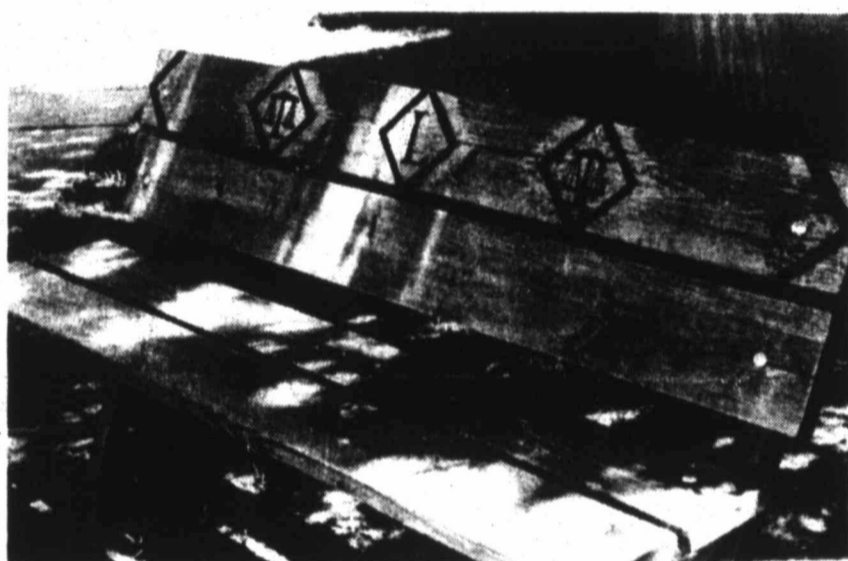
HERE LIES BRETTON ENGLE (BUT NOT FOR LONG) - Brettton Engle lies on the ground as a volunteer "victim" for a mock emergency demonstration at the Tahoka Summer Camp last week. The mock emergency depicted a bicycle accident involving downed electrical lines. Tending to the victim are EMT Kathy Long and Tahoka Volunteer Fireman David Ehlers. (LCN PHOTO)

In China and Japan the pine tree was considered the symbol of life, longevity and immortality.



REFLECTIONS on a recent trip to the East Coast (mostly Gloucester, MA, with day trips to Maine and the southeast tip of New Hampshire), by a couple and two teenage grandchildren:

- Nobody really wants to hear about someone else's vacation. They want to take their own vacation.
- It's cold out on the ocean, even in June. We went on a 4-hour whale watching trip, which should have been called The Pneumonia Cruise, because it was freezing out there. Interesting, though, especially when one whale came up completely out of the water. The whales were about the size of a school bus.
- The beaches are nice, but in early June you can't stand to get further than ankle deep into the ocean. You can walk around and pick up sea shells (and, I guess, girls, if you're so inclined).
- The Nubble Lighthouse at York Harbor, Maine, is picturesque and worth seeing. From a distance we saw some other lighthouses. We also saw a few dark houses and maybe some heavy houses.
- We rode the Moby Duck, an amphibious vehicle which drives down into the water, cruises the bay and then drives back up land. On this trip, in Gloucester harbor, we learned some interesting things, most of which we don't remember, such as some guy who painted scenes of the city from Ten-Pound Island, and one of his paintings recently was purchased by Bill Gates, supposedly for \$30 million. Gates still has \$60 billion left, even after losing \$30 billion in the war between the government and Microsoft. I can't remember the artist's name, but I think it was Harmon Something.
- It costs a lot for four people to eat out on the east coast, and the worse the food is, the more it costs.
- Lobster fishing made that area famous, and is still a major industry along the coast of Massachusetts and Maine. Lobster is considered a treat and gourmet delicacy by many people, but nobody with any couth at all would actually eat one of those things. I had considered it, until we went to this seafood restaurant which explained on the place mat how lobsters are trapped and how you eat one, like you cook it alive (until it dies wriggling in agony), then chop off its ugly claws, and you suck meat out of its rear end. That was enough for me to know; I didn't try one, thank you.
- A meal for four at the above-mentioned restaurant cost \$71.
- Boston traffic is impossible. In Boston (and all the other cities around there, too), streets never run north, south, east or west. They turn all sorts of directions, and frequently change names when you cross the next street. If you miss a turn, you can't proceed straight west, for example, then turn back to find the road you missed, because it has wriggled around and gone off someplace else. And all streets in the towns are very narrow.
- Highways frequently have what they call a "rotary", which is like the old traffic circle we used to have between here and Lubbock. In England they call them "ring roads." By any name, they are dangerous, and if you fail to yield to traffic already in the rotary, you get honked at and given hand signals.
- It costs \$60 to get your car unlocked at noon Sunday in Salem, MA. We won't mention who was stupid enough to lock the keys inside the rental car.
- Boston area residents talk funny. Trash and garbage are called rubbish. If you need to park your car near the scene of a reception or party, you are told to "pike the ky close to the potty."
- A book called "The Perfect Storm" was written about a disaster at sea which killed five fishermen from Gloucester in 1991. It has been made into a movie, soon to be released. We bought the book at the airport.
- Drivers in New England cities are more courteous than in Lubbock. They often stop to let you pull out from side streets, or change lanes. That's partly because if they weren't nice to each other, nobody would ever get anywhere, as there are fewer traffic control sig-



NICE PLACE TO SIT IN THE SHADE - Three new benches offer shady spots to sit underneath the trees at the Lynn County Courthouse, thanks to the work of the youth doing community service through the Lynn County Juvenile Probation Office. The youth cut the steel, welded, and constructed the benches recently. The finishing touches on the benches include etchings of the scales of justice and an "L" designating Lynn County. (LCN PHOTO)

nals than in this country.

- We visited Hammond Castle, built by a guy named Hammond, who allegedly built it because his wife said she wouldn't live in the Gloucester area unless he built her a castle. Actually he built the castle around a huge pipe organ, which has 8,200 pipes. We saw it, but nobody was playing it. Anyway, the guide there said the organ was installed in a big room first, and he built the castle around it. I can't imagine anyone building a shrine for his organ, except maybe Bill Clinton.
- We were on a lobster boat, cruising around off the harbor at Kennebunkport, ME, and enjoying the demonstration of how they pull up the lobster traps and the rules for keeping them or throwing them back (some are too ugly to keep), when we passed near the point of land where the Bushes have their summer home. Flags of Texas and Florida were flying below the U.S. flag that day, and the boat captain explained that this meant George W. and Jeb, governors of those states, were present. Actually the elder Bushes were on hand too; it was a celebration of Barbara's birthday. We were near enough to see people standing outside the mansion, and they all waved at the boat (even from there they could tell we mostly were old enough to vote).



FUTURE FIREFIGHTERS? - Youth at the Tahoka Summer Camp got a closer look at the fire trucks and firefighting equipment during a demonstration one afternoon by Tahoka Volunteer Firemen. One even tried on the fireman's hat to see how it fit. The free camp continues through next week. (LCN PHOTO)

New Principal:

Jerry Lee To Head THS Administration

A Lubbock man with nearly 25 years in the school industry - a decade of which has been spent in the administrative field - has been named Tahoka High School Principal. TISD trustees unanimously approved a two-year contract for Jerry Lee as the administrative head of the high school campus, naming an annual salary of \$58,000. He will begin his duties here July 1.

Currently, Lee is assistant principal at Alderson Junior High School in Lubbock, where he has served for the past two years. He also was associate principal at Lubbock Estacado High School for 8-1/2 years, head football coach and athletic coordinator at Dunbar High School for five years after a four-year stint as head baseball coach/English teacher there, and was a teacher/coach at Uvalde High School, Hutchinson Junior High in Lubbock, and Frenship Junior High.

Lee was raised in Del Rio, graduating from high school there and earning a bachelors degree in English

at Texas Tech University in 1976. He earned his Master of Education degree in School Administration from Texas Tech in 1979, and Mid-Management Certification in 1990.

His wife, Vanessa, is a fourth grade teacher at Lubbock-Cooper I.S.D. Intermediate School. They have a daughter, Beth, who is a senior theatre major at Eastern New Mexico University, and a son, Isaac, who is a pilot in the United States Marine Corps.

TISD trustees approved the appointment in a special noon meeting last Thursday. The only other business was notification by Supt. Jimmy Parker of two resignations in the district. Eighth grade history teacher Amy Weber and Special Education teacher Judy Williams (elementary campus) both submitted resignations.

Present at the 20-minute meeting were all seven trustees, Mr. and Mrs. Lee, Supt. Parker, school attorney Cal Huffaker, and Business Manager Nathan Ehler.

Five Traffic Accidents Reported In County

Five traffic accidents, including three in the City of Tahoka, were reported during the last week. In one, a collision at South 7th and Ave. J last Thursday, five persons were taken to the hospital by Lynn County EMS ambulances. However, none of the injuries appeared to be serious.

Involved in that accident were a 1985 GMC pickup driven by Telyssa N. Muñoz, 13, of Tahoka and a 1989 Ford Bronco driven by Eusevio Resendez, 46, also of Tahoka. Resendez and a passenger, 15, were treated at Lynn County Hospital, as were the driver and two passengers in the pickup.

Two collisions with no injuries occurred in the city Friday. Just after noon a 1996 Pontiac Grand Am driven by Kassidi Jo Andrews, 18, and a 1984 Oldsmobile 98 driven by Gregoria Paniagua, 65, were involved in an accident at S. 7th and Ave. M.

At 4:10 p.m. on a private parking lot in the 1700-block of Lockwood, a 1989 Chevrolet pickup driven by Bethel Faye Lam, 31, was involved in a collision with a 1988 Dodge van driven by Patricia Pena Marquez, 40. Both drivers are Tahoka residents.

Police also were called to scenes

of domestic disturbances.

Two one-vehicle rollovers in which there were no injuries occurred east of Tahoka during the week. One involved a pickup and the other a county vehicle. No other details were immediately available.

In jail during the week were two persons for driving while license suspended, two for grand jury indictment for felony driving while intoxicated, and six others, one of whom faced eight separate charges, all related to driving: speeding, DPS warrants for speeding, failure to appear on no registration, failure to appear on speeding, failure to appear on failure to control speed, no liability insurance, illegal registration, and failure to appear on expired registration. The other five jailed during the week were on charges of theft by check, application to revoke probation on DWI conviction, no drivers license or insurance, failure to appear on DPS warrants, and warrants for speeding.

Cheerleader Clinic Slated Next Week

Tahoka High School's varsity cheerleaders for 2000-2001 will be hosting a cheerleader clinic from 8:30 to 10 a.m. Monday through Friday, June 26-30 at the THS practice field. The clinic is open to children from 4 to 12 years of age.

Cost is \$30 per child and includes a week of cheerleading drills, a t-shirt, a picture packet, and a seat cushion signed by the cheerleaders.

Registration may be completed on the first day of camp. For more information, contact Chelsey Miller at 998-5215.

Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
June 14	84	68	
June 15	94	60	
June 16	91	66	
June 17	72	60	
June 18	71	60	0.62"
June 19	84	59	0.12"
June 20	92	66	0.61"
Precip. to date in June: 2.9"			
Total Precip. year to date: 9.9"			
Total Precip. this time last year: 12.86"			

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**ROBERT CLIFTON FILLINGIM and CHERYL ANN KELLEY
Couple Plans September Wedding**

Cheryl Ann Kelley and Robert Clifton Fillingim announce their engagement and approaching marriage. The couple will marry Sept. 9, at Southwood Baptist Church in Fort Worth. The bride-elect is the daughter of Nancy Kelley and Terry Kelley, both of Fort Worth. She is the granddaughter of Erna Bruce of Fort Worth. The future groom is the son of Wayne and Barbara Fillingim of Brownfield. His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. A.C. Fillingim Jr. of New Home and Shirley Kent of Lubbock. Ms. Kelley is a graduate of Crowley High School and is a supervisor with the Associates in Irving. Fillingim is a graduate of Wellman High School and is a graphic coordinator for Colgate Oral Pharmaceutical in Dallas.

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No gifts, please. Dress is casual.

Pages From The Past ...

by Vondell Elliott

The following excerpts were taken from past issues of The Lynn County News.

**Zep Crash Kills 36 at Lakehurst
20 Passengers, 44 of Crew Survive as
Hindenburg Explodes.**

Thirty-six persons were killed and many injured as a series of explosions shattered and burned the German dirigible air liner Hindenburg when she attempted to moor at Lakehurst, N.J., at the end of her first trans-Atlantic crossing of the season. The catastrophe began with an explosion of the highly inflammable hydrogen gas with which the ship was filled, in one of the rear gas cells.

There were 97 on board. Forty-four of the crew of 61 escaped with their lives and 20 of the 36 passengers survived. One member of the ground crew died of injuries received as he was trying to aid in bringing the great silver liner to earth....

What caused the explosion probably never will be known to a certainty. And as to exactly what happened — the beginning and the end of the event were so closely merged together that even here the versions vary.

Even Capt. Ernst Lehmann, veteran of ten successful round trips on the ill-fated Hindenburg, could only mumble, as he fell into the arms of an American friend:

"I don't understand ... I don't understand."

The following, however, is the story as related by E.W. Kirkpatrick, one of the ground crew who was standing directly beneath the huge silver bag when it burst into flames....

The Zeppelin was scheduled to have been moored at 6 p.m. There were several hundred persons on the edge of the large landing field waiting to cheer the successful end of her first trip across the Atlantic this year. Among them were several holding tickets for the return journey, for after a quick refueling and inspection the Hindenburg was to have started back at midnight.

It was first seen over the field at 4:12 p.m. (eastern daylight time) after making its customary cruise over New York. There was some electrical disturbance and a steady rain was falling. The lightning, however, was not considered by those on the ground as sufficient to be dangerous. Nevertheless the Hindenburg circled around the field and disappeared. More than an hour later its engines were again heard, but the ship itself was out of sight because of the rain. It did not appear again until about five minutes after seven, flying low and passing to the northwest. Just at this time, it was explained, there was a shift of the wind from the south-southwest to southeast, which made it necessary for the Zeppelin to come down to the field from the northwest. After maneuvering for 15 minutes it swung low over the field at an altitude of from 150 to 200 feet and at 7:20 the mooring lines were dropped over the side.

Two hundred men of the ground crew rushed in to grab the lines and start the 100-yard pull to the mooring mast. It was not two minutes later that there came an explosion from the stern of the ship, followed almost instantly by another, and another, forward.

Almost immediately, several witness declared, a blinding sheet of flame enveloped the entire ship....

So quickly did it happen that the covering was entirely burned off and the bare skeleton of the ship's duraluminum ribs was visible behind the sputtering flame and smoke before it touched the ground.

What happened next is just a confused nightmare to those who watched it. Miraculous though it seems, those who were literally blown from the ship by that time was not far from the ground.

... Comdr. C.E. Rosendahl, in charge of the naval airport, was standing beneath the spreading stations of the mooring mast. It did not take long for him to galvanize into action. A cordon of men was thrown around the burning mass to keep back the crowd. Other men were dispatched to rush through calls for nurses and doctors and ambulances from surrounding towns and villages. Meanwhile the injured were rushed to the emergency hospital on the field and given first aid for their burns.

**Wizard Blindfolded Car Driver
Will Stage Stunts At Round-Up Here**

F.L. Binda, hailed as the world's renowned "par-optic" driver who has thrilled the people of many cities with his blindfold driving, will appear here the first day of the Round-Up [Sept. 8-9] and stage one of the best drives that has ever been witnessed in this part of Texas.

Will he be able to drive his car and walk the fire wall of the tallest building in Tahoka? Well, we will see.

Binda will be here also on the second day of the Round-Up. He proposed to build a wall out of lumber, pour gasoline all over it, set it on fire, and then drive his car through it. "If I make one mistake," he says, "it will be the cuttin's for me and my wife will be looking for a man." This drive will furnish you with packed thrills, chills, and spills that make you dizzy.

Be here both Wednesday and Thursday if you wish to witness all these thrilling stunts. See them, and you will have seen what has been pronounced unbelievable.

Stunt Driver Will Be Here Saturday

Starting at the Tahoka Motor Company building, F.L. Binda, blindfolded, will drive a Ford V-8 automobile through the crowded streets of Tahoka Saturday afternoon at about 4 o'clock.

This will be part of the drive to be made by Binda, blind-folded, from Big Spring to Lubbock. He will stop at the Tahoka Motor Company here to give a demonstration in the city.

Binda has driven blind-folded in many of the larger cities of the Southwest, it is said, and has never figured in a collision while his eyes were darkened by his blindfold and hood.

Many people will doubtless congregate at the starting point to witness this remarkable performance.

New Home Volunteer Fireman's Bar-B-Q
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★ Live Entertainment
★ B.Y.O. Fireworks!

Check out the City of Tahoka's Website!

Find out more about the City of Tahoka by visiting their computer website at www.tahokatx.com

The site has information about city government, officials, churches, city services, health services and more!



**MR. and MRS. SIGKFRED VILLARREAL (nee Janie Dotson)
Dotson, Villarreal United In Marriage**

Janie Dotson of Tahoka and Sigkfred (Ziggy) Villarreal of Ft. Sumner, N.M. were united in marriage at 6 p.m. Saturday, June 10, 2000. The garden wedding was held in the home of the bride's brother, Joe Barrientez of Tahoka.

The bride is employed at Tahoka Drug. The groom is employed by Burlington Northern & Santa Fe Railroad. The couple will live in Tahoka.

Tahoka Care Center News

by Barbara Stice
Here we are in a new week and things here at the center are going great. We had our combination birthday and Father's Day party last Thursday and everyone had a good time and a lot of cake and ice cream to eat. I want to thank Linda Stone, Tresa Devine, and Sonya Stanley for the cakes. You did a great job. I want to thank Ronald Sherrill for his donations for bingo, this helps so much. Thanks also to DD Harper for the apples, the residents enjoyed them.

We are looking forward to Family Night this Thursday at 6 p.m. Members of the Tahoka Trinity Church will be here to sing for the residents. This is a great group, you don't want to miss them.

Ina Phillips is back in the hospital in Lubbock. We sure do miss her around here, she always has a big hello and a smile for everyone. Hurry back, Ina.

We would like to thank Virginia for coming on Tuesday and fixing hair for our residents. They look forward to this each week.

I would like to thank Sherry Tilley and the girls at Lyntegar Electric Co-op for the gifts you sent for our residents. They enjoy things like this, it means so much to them.

Scramble On Tap At T-Bar

T-Bar Country Club will host a Three-Person Open Scramble, Saturday and Sunday, June 24-25

Entry fee is \$50 per person and tee times are 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

For more information, contact T-Bar Country Club at 998-5305.

Cooking Camp Set July 11

A cooking camp for children who have completed second through fourth grades will be offered from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, July 11 at the Center for Housing and Community Development in Tahoka. Cost is \$10 if paid by June 22, otherwise the price will be \$15. A sibling discount is available by calling the Lynn County Extension office at 998-4562.

According to camp organizers, the camp will include games, preparation of a nutritious lunch and snack, and much more.

Registration forms may be picked up at the Extension office or by calling 998-4562. For more information contact Tammy Sodd at 998-4307.

STORK REPORT

Michael and Trisha Castillon of Tahoka announce the birth of a son, Brayden Michael, born at 7:55 a.m. on Tuesday, June 13, 2000 at Covenant Medical Center-Lakeside in Lubbock. He weighed 7 lbs. 3 oz. and was 18 1/2 inches long.

He has two older brothers, Bradley, 5, and Brennan, 1 1/2.

Grandparents are Tony and Angie Rodriguez of New Home and Armondo and Trina Castillon of Tahoka.

Great-grandparents are Sofia Estrada of Wilson and Eufemio Rodriguez of New Home.

The Girl Scouts were founded under the name the Girl Guides in 1912. The name was changed the following year. Daisy Gordon was the first Girl Guide in the United States.

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MR. and MRS. SINGLETON

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Maid of Honor... Mullins of Lamesa.

Notice
Lynn County Harvest Festival
will be Sept. 30
Mark your calendar

Mama's Kitchen
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MR. and MRS. BRANDON KEITH SINGLETON
(nee Dawn Michele Williams)

Singleton-Williams Vows Exchanged

Dawn Michele Williams of Lamesa and Brandon Keith Singleton of Midland exchanged vows at 6 p.m. Saturday, June 3, 2000 in the Friendship Baptist Church near Lamesa. Rev. Brian Pinkerton, pastor, officiated the double ring ceremony.

Parents of the bride are Keith and Cynthia Williams of Lamesa and Lowell and Connie Blackstock of Lamesa. Her grandparents are Albert and Charlene Williams of Tahoka and Weldon and Betty Seay of Lamesa. Great-grandparents are Andy and Jean Vulgamore of O'Donnell.

The groom's parents are Keith and Cindy Singleton of Midland. His grandparents are Frank and Joy Singleton and Sam and Nelda McDuffy, all of Midland.

The bride was escorted by her father, Keith Williams and her step-father, Lowell Blackstock. She carried a bouquet of spring flowers.

Maid of Honor was Lindsay Mullins of Lamesa. April Norton,

also of Lamesa, served as Bridesmaid.

Lee Parkins of Midland served as Best Man. Rob Gomez, also of Midland, was Groomsman.

Kristi Perez of Lamesa sang "Cross My Heart." Wendy Cozart of Lamesa was the pianist.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the home of Lowell and Connie Blackstock.

The bride's table featured a white cake with pink icing. The cake was adorned with roses and a bride and groom cake topper. Serving at the bride's table were Candi and Randi Blackstock of Lamesa, step-sisters of the bride.

The groom is a graduate of Midland High School and attended Midland College. He is employed by Bosworth Company.

The bride graduated from Klondike High School and attends Midland College.

The couple resides in Midland.

Valor Approved To Provide Local Telephone Service

Valor Telecommunications of Texas, LP, announced this week that the Texas Public Utility Commission (PUC) unanimously approved the company's application to provide local phone service to those Texas communities currently served by GTE, including Tahoka. The action clears the way for Valor to assume operational control over 300,000 local access lines on Sept. 1.

"Valor is committed to ensuring that rural Texas is not left behind when it comes to having access to advanced telecommunications technologies," said Ann K. Bingaman, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Valor. "To accomplish that goal, Valor plans to make a substantial investment in the Texas communities that Valor will soon serve. We believe the plan approved by the Commission is a win-win for both Valor and our customers."

In the application approved by the Texas PUC, Valor detailed the service and infrastructure improvements the company will make beginning immediately after the Sept. 1 closing. These commitments include:

- Guaranteed deployment of Caller ID and other custom calling features in all its exchanges within 18 months.
- Full deployment of DSL broadband services to ten exchanges including: Andrews, Brownfield, Crockett, Dumas, Glen Rose, Lamesa, Levelland, Pecos, Perryton and Texarkana.
- Guaranteed deployment of DSL to any other exchanges within 15 months of a formal request for a minimum of 75 DSL lines.
- Guaranteed local dial-up internet access in all exchanges within 18 months.

In addition to the Texas PUC, Valor worked closely with members of the Texas House Select Committee on Rural Development, particularly Chairman Barry B. Telford, of DeKalb, and State Representative David Counts, of Knox City, to develop its plan and to ensure that rural communities in Texas have access to broadband telecommunications services.



MR. and MRS. C.J. RENFRO

Local Couple Celebrates Golden Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. C.J. Renfro of Tahoka will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday, June 24 with a family dinner at the 50 Yard Line Restaurant in Lubbock. Renfro married the former Eva Mae Norwood June 24, 1950.

The couple's children are Vicki and Lanny Lincecum of Woodrow and Debbie and David Martin of Lubbock. They have four grandchildren.

BBB Offers Brochure That Targets Modern Work-At-Home Schemes

Work-at-home-schemes are nothing new, but today's con artists are turning to a new tool—the computer keyboard—to lure potential victims. Work-at-home offers used to be advertised mainly through community newspapers, "back-of-the-book" magazine advertisements, and the U.S. mail. Now, with the rise of the Internet and e-mail, con artists can transmit the phony promotions to a wider audience more cheaply and quickly. And, they frequently tailor their pitch to those interested in making money via computer-related opportunities.

To help people protect themselves from modern-day con artists who promise easy riches, the Better Business Bureau (BBB) has updated its Work-at-Home Schemes publication. This brochure, which is also posted on the BBB central web site, arms consumers with the very latest descriptions of common work-at-home scams and the ways they can be avoided.

"The Better Business Bureau suggests using extreme caution when responding to any such offer to make easy money from the comfort of your home. While such promotions claim high earnings and short hours with little or no experience, Bureau files nationwide indicate no evidence of anyone making the promised money," said Nan Campbell, president and CEO of the Better Business Bureau of the South Plains.

According to the BBB, rarely, if ever, are these ads an offer of legitimate employment. Generally, these "jobs" require up-front fees for information or supplies, and only the person who ran the ad makes any money. "Consumers should also be aware that they risk investigation and possible prosecution by postal or other law enforcement agencies if

they become involved in promoting one of these schemes," Campbell warned.

The following are just a few of the work-at-home schemes this BBB publication highlights:

- **Online Home Business:** Trying to capitalize on the e-commerce boom, this scam advertises useless printed guides on computer-related, work-at-home jobs.
- **Medical Claims Processing:** This scam involves advertisements that doctors' offices or insurance companies will pay top dollar for outside claims processing workers. Most victims end up with high cost training sessions and no way to earn any money.
- **Assembly Work At-Home:** This scheme requires the investment of hundreds of dollars for instructions and materials and long work hours, but leaves victims with merchandise that is difficult or impossible to sell.

To get a free copy of this pamphlet, call the BBB at 763-0459 or for long distance, call (800)687-7890 and ask for the Work-at-Home Schemes pamphlet.

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White To Compete In Jr. Olympic Tourney

Chelsea White, an outside hitter for the Texas Power 18 National Club Volleyball team, will be competing in the USA Junior Olympic National Volleyball Tournament to be held in Louisville, Ky., June 27-July 2. Her team won a bid to the tournament by placing in the top five in national qualifier tournaments held in Denver, Baltimore and Austin throughout the season. The team posted a 39-6 record during the season, placing third out of 98 teams in the Lone Star National Qualifier Tournament and won the regional tournament held at the University of

Texas-El Paso. The team is ranked in the top 10 out of 67 teams going into the Junior Olympic Tournament. The team is coached by Texas Tech's volleyball coaches and features two Division I recruits. Chelsea is the granddaughter of Janet Porterfield and T.C. White, both of Tahoka. She will be a senior at Lubbock Monterey High School in the fall.

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OBITUARIES

Lawrence Harvick

Services for Lawrence Harvick, 86, of Tahoka will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, June 22 (today) at the First Baptist Church in Tahoka, with Rev. Jerry Becknal, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Tahoka Cemetery under the direction of White Funeral Home of Tahoka. He died Tuesday, June 20, 2000 in Brownfield. He was born March 26, 1914 in Aspermont and attended Midway schools. He married Ruby Ann Carpenter 62 years ago. He was a lifelong resident of Tahoka and was a volunteer fireman and a member of the VFW. He was a self-employed mechanic and a member of the First Baptist Church. Survivors include his wife Ruby of Brownfield; and two brothers, Joe Harvick of Lake Kiowa and W.C. Harvick of Houston.

Esteban Dominguez

Rosary for Esteban "Tornado" Dominguez, 69, of Lubbock was said at 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 21 at Calvillo Funeral Home Chapel in Lubbock. Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Thursday, June 22 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church with Michael O'Dwyer officiating. Burial will be in Resthaven Cemetery under the direction of Calvillo Funeral Home of Lubbock. He died Tuesday, June 20, 2000 at University Medical Center in Lubbock. He was born Dec. 26, 1930 in Fort Stockton. He married Maria Garza in 1958 in Lubbock. He moved to Lubbock from Barstool in 1954. He was a Catholic. He was preceded in death by

three sons, Stevie Dominguez in 1962, Billie Joe Dominguez in 1972 and Jesse Dominguez in 1973. Survivors include his wife; three sons, Johnny Dominguez of Lubbock, Charlie Dominguez of Dickens and Danny Dominguez of Wilcox; two daughters, Rosemary Dominguez and Sally Mitchell, both of Lubbock; three brothers, Anastacio, Jose and Hipolito, all of Lubbock; a sister, Carmen Vega of Muleshoe; 11 grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Dorothy Clark

Services for Dorothy McCullough Clark, 78, of Tahoka were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 21 at Tahoka Trinity Church with Charlie Stice officiating. Burial was in Nevels Memorial Park under the direction of White Funeral Home of Tahoka. She died Sunday, June 18, 2000 in Tahoka. She was born Sept. 26, 1921 in Profit. She graduated from Smyer High School. She moved to Tahoka from New Home in 1985. She married Gene Clark June 7, 1996 in Tahoka. She was a homemaker and a Baptist. Survivors include her husband; four sons, Jimmy McCullough of Tahoka, Hoyt McCullough of Denver City, Dennis McCullough of Edmond, Okla., and Len McCullough of Lubbock; one daughter, Dale Benson of Arlington; a brother, Hollis Terry of Odessa; 12 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren. The family suggests memorials to Tahoka Trinity Church, 1925 Lockwood, Tahoka 79373; or the American Cancer Society, 3411 73rd Street, Lubbock 79423.

Kenneth Eaker

Services for Kenneth Wayne Eaker, 62, of O'Donnell were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 21, at the First Baptist Church in O'Donnell with Rev. Richard Rush officiating and Mr. Bill Goodwin assisting. Burial was in O'Donnell Cemetery under the direction of White Funeral Home of Tahoka. He died Sunday, June 18, 2000 at Lynn County Hospital in Tahoka. He was born July 1, 1937 in O'Donnell. He received his master's degree from Texas A&I University. He married Ann Hartwig Sept. 8, 1959 in Weslaco. He moved from La Pryor to O'Donnell in 1965. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He was a farmer and a member of First Baptist Church of O'Donnell. Survivors include his wife; four sons, Kenneth Allen Eaker and David Wayne Eaker, both of O'Donnell, Melvin Lewis Eaker of Lamesa and Robert Glenn Eaker of San Antonio; two daughters, Edith Ann Eaker of Welch and Julie Kay Eaker of Odessa; three brothers, Edgar, Jimmy and Harold Eaker, all of Uvalde; and seven grandchildren. In lieu of flowers, the family request memorials to First Baptist Church, 701 Standefer, O'Donnell 79351; or O'Donnell EMS, Box 548, O'Donnell 79351.

Chester Hood Jr.

Services for Chester Hood Jr., 62, of Tahoka were held at 3 p.m. Wednesday, June 21 at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in Tahoka with Rev. Gloria Moore, Rev. Roy Rogers and Alton Graves officiating. Burial was in Nevels Memorial Park under the direction of White Funeral Home of Tahoka. He died Saturday, June 17, 2000 at University Medical Center in Lubbock. He was born Nov. 26, 1937 in Tahoka. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving from 1957 to 1965. He moved to Arlington from Lubbock in 1985 and to Tahoka in April of this year. He was supervisor of maintenance at Arlington Mission. He was a member of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in Tahoka. Survivors include his father, Henry Hood Sr. of Tahoka; a son, James Demings; a child raised by him, Shameca Lee of Arlington; a brother, Robert Hood of Tahoka; three sisters, Pearl Hood Payton, Henrietta H. Burselson and Ollie Brown, all of Tahoka; and two grandchildren.

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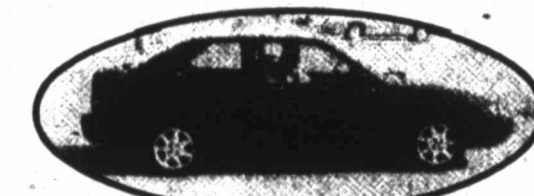


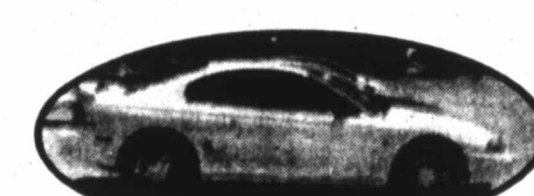





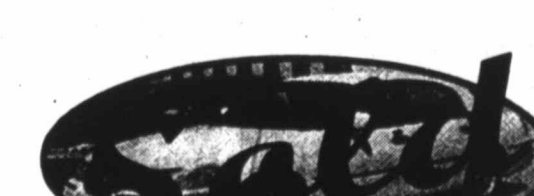
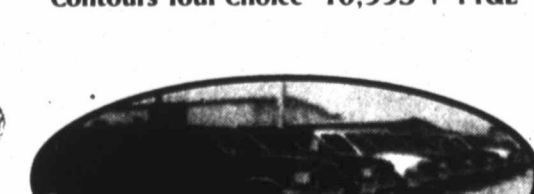


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BIG CROWD - These youngsters are part of a large crowd on hand for the City-County Library's annual Summer Reading Program held each Monday at the Life Enrichment Center in Tahoka. The final program for the summer will be presented Monday, June 26.

Food Irradiation Considered Safe, According to A&M Researcher

With summer's arrival, irradiated ground beef will be arriving for the first time in grocery stores. But is it safe? According to a food safety researcher with Texas A&M University, it is as safe as eating food cooked in your microwave.

"Irradiation in itself is not a bad thing," said Dr. Elsa Murano, director for the Center for Food Safety. "It has a negative connotation to some people who don't know what it means."

Irradiation is the application of high energy to decontaminate food of microorganisms or insects or parasites. It is similar to the energy used in microwave ovens; however, irradiation uses a shorter wavelength of much higher energy, she explained.

"You can treat raw vegetables, fruit, meat or poultry without affecting the way they look, taste or smell," she said.

Heat treatments — such as pasteurization — can change the composition of these products.

According to Murano, the benefits or irradiation are:

- Food safety — eliminating pathogenic organisms such as salmonella and E. coli O157:H7.
 - Extending shelf life — reducing the number of food spoilage microorganisms.
 - De-infestation — eliminating insect pests, a great concern of the fruit and vegetable industry.
- "For instance, you may have ground beef that spoils in the refrigerator in three to five days," she said. "If it is irradiated, it can last as long as 30 days. Strawberries may get moldy in the refrigerator in less than a week, but with irradiation, they can stay fresh for about 20 days."

Recent beef contamination scares — including a recall of 25 million

pounds of ground beef feared contaminated with E. coli O157:H7 in 1997 — has heightened interest in irradiation. The federal government approved irradiation for ground beef in February.

At food sterilization levels, or even higher levels of irradiation, products will be shelf-stable and will not have to be refrigerated, she said.

"Astronauts on the space shuttle eat beef steaks that have been irradiated at sterilization doses," she said. "(The steaks) are cooked first, packaged and irradiated. The astronauts heat them up and eat them."

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recently reported illnesses caused by food contaminated with food-borne pathogens have declined 19 percent since 1997. Approximately 855,000 fewer people in the U.S. became ill from food-borne illnesses in 1999, the CDC reported.

Still, food-borne pathogens are estimated to cause 76 million illnesses, 325,000 hospitalizations and 5,200 deaths annually in this nation, according to the CDC's latest figures.

"Five-thousand deaths is not acceptable," Murano said. "Consuming food for your health should not be considered a risky practice."

The food approved for irradiation by the Food and Drug Administration is irradiated at lower levels than that used for astronauts. Fruits and vegetables are irradiated against insect pests and poultry and irradiated against salmonella, campylobacter and other pathogenic bacteria.

Beef, pork and lamb are approved for irradiation to combat E. coli O157:H7, listeria, salmonella and food-borne bacteria.

This summer, there will be limited test marketing of irradiated ground beef, Murano said. However,

May Weather Warmer, Drier Than Usual

The weather across the Texas South Plains during the month of May was significantly warmer and drier than normal according to the National Weather Service in Lubbock.

Temperatures averaged 5.1 degrees above normal and ranged from 3.3 degrees above normal at Dimmitt to 6.6 degrees above normal at the Muleshoe Wildlife Refuge.

The highest temperature reported during the month was 112 degrees at Paducah on May 24. Dimmitt reported the lowest temperature for the month, 33 degrees, on May 13.

Precipitation averaged 1.85 inches below normal and ranged from 2.91 inches below normal at Floydada to 0.16 inches below normal at Spur.

Tahoka's average temperature was 74.9 degrees. Total precipitation was .55 inches.

she does not know if there will be any marketed in Texas. The wholesaler involved is reluctant to specify where it will be available until shortly before the test markets because of concerns about a groundswell of public rejection.

Products that have been irradiated will carry the internationally-recognized symbol called the radura, a green circle with a symbol similar to a flower inside.

The only products that do not carry the radura are those pre-packaged foods and stews that contain irradiated spices. These spices are in such minute amounts it is not considered necessary.

Irradiation is not a new technology even though people tend to think of it that way, she said. It has been used since the 1950s in many areas of the world, including Europe.

"Over forty years of research shows the process will not affect the food in any way that will harm the consumer in the least," she said.

There are two types of irradiation. The first exposes products to gamma rays produced by radioactive isotopes such as Cobalt 60. This causes ionization, or separation of the product into ions (atoms or atom group).

The second method uses a machine called the linear accelerator, which produces either accelerated electrons or x-rays, both of which also cause ionization.

The rays penetrate food throughout, she explained, but does not leave residue or cause the food to "glow in the dark."

For any material to become radioactive, energy would have to be applied at levels at much higher than with irradiation.

"It is a physical fact that foods will not become radioactive when you use these sources," she said.

Irradiation has been approved by many health organizations, including the American Medical Association, Institute of Food Technologies, and the World Health Organization.

"It is one of those perceptions we need to overcome and will overcome with education," Murano said. "If consumers realize what you are doing is applying energy to food, and realize the food will not be changed in any way, they will accept it."



SOMETHING OF INTEREST - Youth at the Tahoka Summer Camp listen with interest as Lynn County EMS volunteers explain emergency procedures, with volunteer ambulance driver Janie Isbell standing ready to offer assistance. Members of the Tahoka Volunteer Fire Dept., Tahoka Police Dept., Sheriff's Dept., and local DPS also spoke with the youth at the camp. (LCN PHOTO)

BBB Warns Of New Pyramid Scheme

Do you have a friend or family member who wants to "let you in on the ground floor" of a fantastic business opportunity? Think twice if the opportunity involves making an initial "gift."

Pyramid schemes are resurfacing with a new twist. The latest versions are called "gifting" or "giving" clubs. To join the club, consumers are asked to make a contribution to the highest-ranking members, with titles such as captain or chairperson. Participants are then encouraged to bring in friends and relatives to help them assume a higher position in the ranks. Gifting club promoters usually target closely-knit social and religious organizations. In reality the clubs are nothing more than illegal pyramid schemes.

The problem is that like most pyramid schemes, illegal gifting clubs must continually recruit ever-increasing members to survive. When the supply of willing participants runs out, the pyramid collapses and most people at the bottom of the pyramid lose their money.

If approached about joining a club, avoid being misled into thinking a gifting club is legitimate because the ads say that members con-

sider their payments a gift and expect nothing in return. This is an attempt to make an illegal transaction look legal and the Better Business Bureau advises caution.

For more information about pyramid schemes, check out the BBB internet address <http://www.bbbsouthplains.org/library/TT0105.html> and report any offers of "gifting" clubs to the BBB at <info@bbbsouthplains.org> or call

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As wedding preparations begin, the chaos of last-minute arrangements, surprise announcements and ever-increasing anxiety brings out both the best and the worst in everyone. But as couples in each generation of the Steinberg family struggle with broken vows and new hopes, the real meaning of Allegra's wedding emerges. For the bride, the ceremony is a bridge between her past and her future. For her parents, it is a reminder of the bond that holds them all together. And for both families, it is an opportunity for reconciliation, forgiveness, and new hope for the future.

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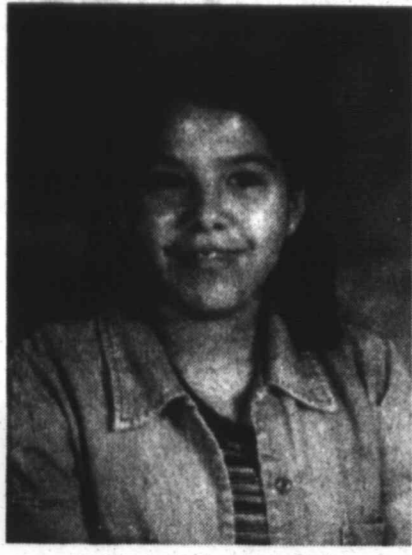
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ANGELINA SEGOVIA
Angelina Segovia Named All-American Scholar

The United States Achievement Academy announced recently that Angelina Marie Segovia, who attends Tahoka High School, has been named an All-American Scholar.

The USAA established the All-American Scholar Award Program to offer deserved recognition to superior students who excel in the academic disciplines. All-American Scholars must earn a grade point average of 3.3 or higher.

Angelina's name will appear in the All-American Scholar Yearbook, which is published nationally.

Angelina is the daughter of Waldo and Melissa Segovia of Tahoka. Her grandparents are Nieves and Geneva Segovia and Chon and Fidela Rodriguez, all of Dilley.

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Joint Development Agreement Opens New Ground For Agricultural Research

A joint development agreement between the Western Peanut Growers Association, Texas A&M University, Texas Tech University, and the USDA's Agricultural Research Service (ARS) in Texas and Georgia has opened new ground for agricultural research on the Texas South Plains.

Representatives of these groups signed a memorandum of agreement in late January dedicating 320 acres of land near Denver City in Gaines County as a shared research farm.

"We decided the joint development agreement to promote a research farm was a good idea after taking a reading of our members. They decided we should do it," said Doyle Fincher, president of the Western Peanut Growers Association. "Our irrigation water is declining. We need more research on irrigation efficiency and water conservation to help us make the most of this limited resource in the future."

"We also need peanut varieties that are specifically suited to West Texas growing conditions. In short, we view our participation in this endeavor as a way to help our growers maximize returns on the dollars they spend planting and growing peanuts."

Leased by the Western Peanut Growers Association, the farm will allow scientists and researchers to conduct a wide array of research and extension demonstrations, said a Texas A&M University peanut breeder.

"The farm will host research on crop rotations, peanut and cotton breeding, soil fertility, pest management and irrigation. How peanuts

perform in rotation with other cash crops (such as cotton) under different management regimes is one of our chief goals at this site," said Dr. Mike Schubert, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station peanut breeder stationed at the Lubbock Agricultural Research and Extension Center. "Our success with peanut field research at the AG-CARES facility in Dawson County, and grower interest, was an impetus for putting the joint development agreement together."

The 240-acre Agricultural Complex for Advanced Research and Extension Systems (AG-CARES) farm near Lamesa has hosted field research and Extension demonstrations on profitable cropping practices since 1990 under the sponsorship of the Lamesa Cotton Growers, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Peanut research there helped convince growers that peanuts are a viable and profitable crop on the South Plains. The need for more ground dedicated to peanut research grew in step with producer's interest in growing peanuts, Schubert said.

"The 320-acre farm near Denver City is ideal for peanut research. The land is representative of the soils, terrain and irrigation we have available to grow peanuts in West Texas," Schubert said. "But peanuts won't be the exclusive focus on this acreage."

A short list of research-extension projects planned at this site includes: irrigation strategies and application methods (above ground and sub-surface drip) for peanuts and cotton grown in rotations; long-term soil fertility; the relationship of soil water and peanut and cotton diseases; weed control; harvest timing; inoculants and micronutrients; foliar-feeding insects; precision ag components such as global positioning and yield mapping; peanut and cotton variety trials; evaluation of experimental peanut and cotton lines; peanut oil chemistry and food quality evaluation; and side-by-side evaluation of peanut and cotton management systems.

A farm manager, Ben Carreon, was recently hired to oversee the acreage, and to help scientists and researchers improve the land and facilities necessary for full-scale crops research.

Some of the improvements and upgrades include installation of new irrigation systems on part of the acreage; tying two center pivot sprinklers together to ensure an adequate supply of irrigation water; drilling a new irrigation well; and extensive soil sampling for future site-specific precision agriculture research.

Construction of a farm headquarters building and equipment storage facilities are also part of the long-term farm development plan, Schubert said.

Grants and agency monies will enable individual scientists to fund their research at the farm. At the same time, the Western Peanut Growers Association will fund the annual land lease fee, basic production costs, and the farm manager's salary. The cost of future land and facility improvements will be shared jointly.

A nine-member steering committee composed of growers and research and extension personnel will guide the annual operation and long-term development of the farm.

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EMS DEMONSTRATION - Lynn County EMS Coordinator Jeanie Stone talks to youth at the Tahoka Summer Camp during a mock emergency demonstration, explaining some of the procedures which emergency medical personnel may use. The camp, held Monday through Thursday afternoons at the Life Enrichment Center, has had very good attendance, with 128 attending on the day this photo was taken. (LCN PHOTO)

Business Conference Addresses Issues Facing Employers

Numerous laws address the ins and outs of employment. Some employers might need to brush up on those laws, and all new employers should become familiar with them.

Commissioner Ron Lehman, who represents employers on the Texas Workforce Commission, offers an opportunity for anyone seeking a better grasp of laws that govern employers. He and his staff will be at the Lubbock Civic Center banquet room, 1501 Sixth Street, on Friday, June 23 to present a day long Texas Business Conference for employers and managers. Workshop presenters will discuss such topics as hiring, firing, unemployment insurance, wage and hour issues, employee handbooks for the new millennium and more.

"With such an inclusive list of topics, the Texas Business Conference offers a true training bargain for business owners and managers," Lehman said, noting the conference offers general professional credit, as well as seven hours of continuing education credit for participating certified public accounts. "Invitations have been mailed to many businesses in the area, but anyone who has not received one is welcome to attend."

The full-day seminar is \$60 and includes continental breakfast. Conference registration is from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. Friday, June 23 at the Lubbock Civic Center banquet room. Registration by phone will not be available. The workshop will begin at 8:30 a.m.

For more information, call 1-800-832-9394 or (512) 463-2826.

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Anyone may donate to the Lynn County EMS Memorial Fund at the Lynn County Hospital office. Lynn County EMS is currently raising funds for the purchase of a new ambulance.

GRANT MANAGEMENT SERVICES AND ENGINEERING SERVICES PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Tahoka will submit one or more applications for Texas Community Development Program grant fund. The City is requesting that qualified firms or individuals submit proposals for grant management services and for engineering services. The City is procuring these services prior to submission of the application(s) and will enter into contracts contingent upon a grant award. The same firm cannot be awarded both contracts.

In order to be considered, proposals must be submitted prior to 10:00 a.m. on the 3rd day of July, 2000. The City of Tahoka is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer and individuals or firms submitting proposals will not be discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, national origin, mental or physical disability, marital status, parent-hood or age. A complete Request for Proposals outlining services required by the City, submission requirements, and evaluation criteria has been prepared. Interested parties may obtain copies of this Request for Proposal by contacting Jerry Webster, City Administrator, P.O. Box 300, 998-4211. 25-11c

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The O'Donnell I.S.D. will accept sealed bids until 1:30 p.m. (CDT), July 10, 2000, for the 2000-01 school year for the following items: (1) consumable and non-consumable paper goods, (2) cleaning supplies, (3) audio visual equipment, (4) classroom furniture, (5) activity supplies and equipment (football, basketball, track, band instruments and uniforms), (6) teaching supplies and materials, (7) track and tennis court repairs, (8) paving/parking areas, (9) technology, labs, equipment and software, (10) milk and other dairy products. One or all bid packets will be mailed by written or telephone request (806-428-3241). Please specify each packet requested. Each bid must be marked by the number identifying the item. O'Donnell I.S.D. reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any or all technicalities, and accept the bid which will best serve the needs of the school district. All bids will be opened on July 10, 2000, at 1:30 p.m. in the business/tax collector's office, 501 5th Street, O'Donnell, Texas. /s/ Dale Read, Superintendent 25-21c

NOTICE OF HEARING REGARDING ISSUANCE OF PROPOSED REVENUE BONDS BY LYNN COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT

Pursuant to Section 264.044, Health and Safety Code, Vernon's Texas Statutes, as amended, notice is hereby given that the Lynn County Hospital District intends to adopt a resolution pursuant to which the District contemplates the issuance of not more than \$1,500,000 in revenue bonds with a maturity not to exceed 25 years in duration. The proceeds from the issuance of the bonds will be used to construct an assisted living facility, acquire related personal property for the benefit of the District and persons living in or near Lynn County, Texas, and pay costs of the issuance of the bonds.

The resolution authorizing the issuance of the bonds will be considered at the District's meeting scheduled on June 30, 2000 and beginning at 7 p.m. Persons in support of, or opposing, the issuance of the bonds may be heard at that time and the District shall entertain any questions, that may be asked by interested parties. Thereafter, the District shall take such action as is deemed proper under the circumstances.

Lynn County Hospital District
By: Billy Tomlinson
President of Board of Directors

Notificación de audiencia al respecto de proponerse en el comienzo de fuente de ingreso del Distrito Condado del Hospital Lynn

De acuerdo a la Sección 264.044, de la ley de Vernon's Texas, notifico por medio del Distrito del condado del Hospital Lynn. Se propone adoptar una resolución de acuerdo con el Distrito Y proponerse al comienzo de nomás de \$1,500,000 en fianza de fuente de ingreso y no exceder 25 años de duración. Los ingresos del comienzo de fianzas se utilizaran para construir y asistir servicios públicos, adquirir propiedad personal por el beneficio del Distrito y personas viviendo en o cerca del Condado de Lynn Texas, y pagar el costo del comienzo de la fianza. La decisión autorizada del comienzo de la fianza sera considerada en la junta del Distrito el 30 de junio del 2000 y comienza a las 7 PM. Personas que apoyan o están contra de, podrá asistir a esa hora del comienzo de la fianza y el Distrito contestar cualquier pregunta que tenga. Subsecuentemente, el Distrito tomara acción necesaria bajo las circunstancias. Lynn County Hospital District
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Just bring it by the News Office or mail it to P.O. Box 1170, Tahoka, TX 79373, and we'll run it (at no charge!) as space is available, under our "Summer Fun" heading. If you'll send a self-addressed stamped envelope we'll mail your photo back to you, or you may pick it up at the News Office after it appears in the paper.

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Real Estate

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MOVING SALE: Friday 5-8 p.m. & Saturday 8 a.m. to noon. 1611 N. 2nd. Furniture, small appliances, toys, and lots more! 25-1tc

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YARD SALE: 1729 S. 1st, Friday, 8 a.m. til 7. Lots of miscellaneous items. 25-1tp

RAIN OR SHINE: Carport Sale, Friday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. One mile east from Grassland on Farm Road 1313. Baked goods, wood works. 25-1tp

GARAGE SALE: Saturday, 8 a.m. to noon. 2405 Lockwood. Baby items, toys, men's, women's and children's clothing, household items, dining room chairs, winter coats, lots more! Dimak. 25-1tc

YARD SALE at 1908 N. 5th. Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Stove, baby bouncing car, chairs, dresser with chest & night stand all together, women's and girl's teenage clothes, men's clothing, and more to come and see! In case of bad weather, come inside. 25-1tp

3 FAMILY garage sale: Saturday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. 1628 North 5th. Lots and lots of kids clothes (boy's & girl's), lots of toys, pool table (kids size), lots of miscellaneous. Angie Hall. 25-1tp

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NOTICE OF PROPOSAL
Proposals for commercial property and fleet insurance will be considered at the Tahoka I.S.D. Board of Trustees meeting on Thursday, July 13, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. at the Harvick Educational Building at 2129 N. Main in Tahoka, Texas. For further information, contact the Tahoka I.S.D. Business Office at P.O. Box 1230, Tahoka, TX 79373 or phone 806/998-4600 or fax 806/998-4160. Proposals will be accepted at the above address until 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 12, 2000 and will be opened at that time for review in preparation for board approval the following evening. Envelopes should be marked: PROPERTY/FLEET INSURANCE PROPOSAL. Any proposals received after the deadline will be returned unopened. The board reserves the right to reject any and/or all proposals. 25-2tc

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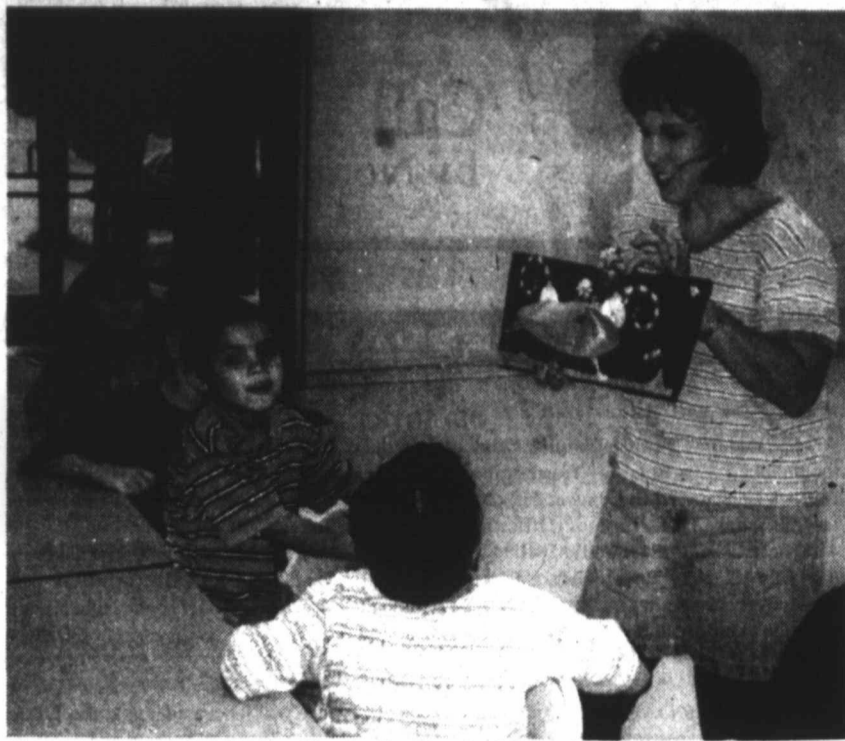
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ROCHELLE READS - Rochelle Ford of Tahoka is pictured here presenting a story to some participants of the City-County Library's annual Summer Reading Program held each Monday at the Life Enrichment Center in Tahoka. The final program for the summer will be presented Monday, June 26.

The Wilson News

by Buster Abbe • 628-6368

Wilson Fire Department Tip of the Week: With all the recent rains, people will tend to be a little less careful about outdoor fires. As the weather turns to warm and dry, some of the lush new-growth grasses will tend to brown and dry out, creating a fire hazard around buildings. Be sure to keep grasses and other small underbrush mowed and trimmed so that it does not become a flash fire hazard.

The Wilson school librarian, Mrs. Shelly Livingston, has announced that the Wilson School Library will have summer hours this year for children to be able to continue their reading. The library will be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1-3 p.m. However, the library will be closed on July 4 and 6. Mrs. Livingston has also announced that she will have three story times where children can come and listen to stories being read. This program will be open to children who will be in the second grade for the 2000-2001 school year or younger. These three special programs will be June 29, July 15, and July 27. All area residents with children who fall in the proper age range are invited to attend. For more information, contact Mrs. Livingston at the school.

The Prevent Blindness Organization will have a vision screening at the Wilson Mercantile on Monday, July 3. The screening will be from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. They will offer a visual acuity test and a glaucoma screening. These screenings are primarily designed for senior citizens, but others can come by and have the tests. This screening is timed to be held at a regularly scheduled Senior Meal meal, but those wanting the tests may come and go without participating in the meal even though they are welcome to join in an enjoy a meal with other residents. For more information, contact Mrs. Follis at City Hall.

Don't forget to mark your calendar for the First Baptist Church's Vacation Bible School which will be held June 26-30 from 6-9 p.m. They will close the Bible School with a Family Night Service on Sunday, July 2 at 6 p.m. All area children are invited to attend. The school will offer classes for all children up to and including those who will be sixth graders when school starts.

Other upcoming activities at the Baptist church include Summer Youth

Camp, July 10-14 and the Summer Revival Services, July 16-19. More information on these events as they get closer.

Not too much going on around school this time of the year, extended summer school has been completed and most of the year-end work is completed for the faculty members. The custodial and maintenance staff is in the process of their summer type work with clean-up, fix-up and paint-up being the focus of attention.

The new superintendent, Mike Jones, will officially be on the job about the first of July and applications are being taken and reviewed for other faculty vacancies.

Wilson City officials are noting an increase in items being put in the dumpsters that need attention before they are put in the bins. Large tree limbs and pieces of large branches need to be trimmed or cut into small pieces, about 2-3 feet long before they are put in the dumpster. Long pieces of lumber need to be treated the same way. Often times, when these large items are put into the dumpster, they can catch on the sides and prevent the dumpster from emptying into the truck. Other large items such as furniture, mattresses, box springs and large kitchen appliances cannot be put into the dumpster but are the responsibility of the property owner to take to the landfill collection point at Tahoka.

A duck walked into the drug store and asked the pharmacist for a tube of Chap-Stick. The pharmacist handed the duck the tube and then asked how the duck wanted to pay for it. The duck replied, "Aw, just put it on my bill."

That's all, they ain't no moe.

NEW AT THE LIBRARY

The Patient
by Michael Palmer

Dr. Jessie Copeland, a respected neurosurgeon at Eastern Mass Medical Center, spends her days in the operating room and her spare time in the lab, creating a tiny robot named ARTIE, that, when perfected, will be able to excise tumors now considered inoperable. When an ambitious department head uses the robot in a high-profile case that nets immediate worldwide attention, Jessie thinks he has jumped the gun.

In the frenzy of media attention, ARTIE catches the eye of ruthless mercenary Claude Malloche, who is ill with a life-threatening brain tumor and will do anything for the surgery he thinks will cure him.

For those caught on the neurosurgical floor, the nightmare has just begun...and no one is more aware of the stakes than Jessie Copeland. In brain surgery there are no guarantees. But that's exactly what Malloche demands, leaving Jessie to face the most harrowing case of her life. Disaster is just a cut away...and the price of failure may be thousands of lives.

Available at the City/County Library, located inside the Life Enrichment Center, 1717 Main Street, Tahoka; phone 998-4050. Open Mondays and Wednesdays, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (closed 12:30-1:30 p.m. for lunch); Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1-7 p.m.; and Saturdays 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The vapor trail left in the sky by an airplane is called a **contrail**, which is a contraction of the words **condensation trail**.



ALL IN THE FAMILY - Connie Ward (left) is shown here with her father, Rotary member Dayton Parker, at a recent Rotary meeting. Mrs. Ward conducted a presentation to the club about the Summer Reading Program now underway at the City-County Library in Tahoka.

FTC Warns of Job Scams

According to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), some fraudulent promoters are victimizing many Americans by selling information about federal job opportunities and the FTC advises that one should never have to pay for information about job vacancies or employment opportunities with the U.S. government or U.S. Postal Service. Scam artists advertise in the classified sections of newspapers and offer — for a fee — to help job seekers find and apply for federal jobs. Some fraudulent companies even try to confuse consumers by using names that sound like those of federal agencies, like the "U.S. Agency for Career Advancement" or the "Postal Employment Service."

Fraudsters may lie about the availability of federal job openings in a given area. For example, the Postal Service has few vacancies for career positions, and for many entry-level jobs, a written examination is required. Postal Service hiring takes place at the local level through 85 district offices. If someone advertises available postal jobs, check with the Postal Service to determine if hiring is taking place and if an exam is required for eligibility. The tests usually are offered every few years in any particular district because of the high volume of applicants.

Federal agencies and the U.S. Postal Service never charge application fees or guarantee that an applicant will be hired. If positions require a competitive examination, and many do not, hiring agencies typically offer free sample questions to consumers who sign up for the exam.

It is deceptive for anyone to guarantee a high score on the postal entrance examinations required for rural carrier associate, clerk, city carrier, mail handler, flat sorter machine operator, mail processor and markup clerk jobs. These exams test general aptitude, something that can't necessarily be increased by studying. Attending workshops, studying exam techniques and taking practice questions won't assure a top score on the exam, and even a top score doesn't guarantee that an applicant will be hired. Other requirements must be met, including passing a background

check and a drug test. Some veterans receive hiring preferences.

The FTC and the U.S. Office of Personnel Management urge job seekers to avoid falling for these federal and postal job rip-offs:

- Classified ads or verbal sales pitches that imply an affiliation with the federal government, guarantee high test scores or jobs or state that "no experience is necessary."
- Ads that offer information about "hidden" or unadvertised federal jobs.
- Ads that refer to a toll-free phone number. Often, in these cases, an operator encourages callers to buy a "valuable" booklet containing job listings, practice test questions and tips for entrance exams.
- Toll-free numbers that direct the caller to other pay-per-call numbers for more information. Under federal law, any solicitations for pay-per-call numbers must contain full disclosures about costs. Also the solicitation must make clear if there is an affiliation with the federal government. The caller must have a chance to hang up before any charges are incurred.

Anyone with concerns about a company's advertisement for employment services should contact the FTC at 1-877-FTC-HELP (382-4357); the U.S. Postal Inspection Service; the state attorney general; or the local Better Business Bureau.

Federal job information is available through the U.S. Office of Personnel Management's USAJOBS information system at 912-757-3000; or online at <www.usajobs.opm.gov>. Information on postal jobs is available at local post offices or by checking the Postal Service website at <www.usps.gov>.

For more information on avoiding fraudulent practices, visit the Federal Trade Commission's website at <www.ftc.gov>.

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The Lynn County News accepts wedding announcements at no charge if run within 8 weeks following the event. A \$35 fee will be assessed if run after that time. All information is subject to editing. Wedding and Engagement forms are available at the Lynn County News Office, 1617 Main, P.O. Box 1170, Tahoka, TX 79373, (806) 998-4888, Fax 998-6308.

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Elderly Can Be Victims Of Abuse And Neglect

More than 35,000 adults were victims of abuse, neglect, or exploitation in Texas last year, according to statistics from the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services. The agency's Adult Protective Services completed 54,478 investigations involving suspected abuse, neglect, or exploitation of adults. Of the suspected incidents, 35,291 were confirmed.

In Lynn County, there were 42 victims of abuse, neglect, or exploitation during 1999, according to Adult Protective Services.

"Many of these citizens are dependent on others for their care and this makes them susceptible to abusive or neglectful treatment," explained a spokesman. "Three out of four cases worked by Adult Protective Services involve situations of neglect, usually self neglect by persons incapable of providing themselves with the level of care they require. Many incidents involve situations in which a vulnerable adult is found living in unsanitary or risky conditions or without heat or running water. Some individuals need assistance with meals

and other activities of daily living, such as cooking, cleaning, washing, etc.," the spokesman added.

Caseworkers for Adult Protective Services work to secure services to reduce or eliminate the abusive or neglectful situation, or assist in modifying the client's situation so that continued exploitation does not occur. Competent persons have the right to refuse APS efforts at intervention, but caseworkers can seek a court order to protect the personal health and safety of a person who is incapacitated and unable to consent to the assistance needed.

People may report suspected abuse, neglect, or exploitation of an older adult or person with disabilities by calling the abuse hotline at 1-800-252-5400. Callers do not have to have proof that abuse, neglect, or exploitation is occurring, but should report their suspicions in good faith. Investigators will look into the reported situation and determine whether abuse, neglect, or exploitation is indeed occurring. Good faith reports are exempt from personal liability and are kept confidential.

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