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Lady Bulldogs in bi-district playoffs

Tahoka Lady Bulldogs softball team begins playoff action this week, taking on Hamlin in a bidistrict game set for 1:00 o'clock Saturday at Snyder High School. The Lady Dogs were tied with Ralls for district championship rights, but lost 4-1 to them Monday night for seeding in the playoff bracket, putting Tahoka as the second seed.

Early voting continues:

April 27 May 5 at these locations for the May 9 Elections:

Lynn County Courthouse Basement Courtroom for: City of Tahoka election Tahoka ISD election Lynn County Hospital District Hours: 8 a.m.-5 p.m. M-F Additional Hours: 7 a.m.-7 p.m. on April 28 and May 5

OISD Administrative Offices: O'Donnell ISD election Hours: Business Hours, M-F

O'Donnell City Hall: City of O'Donnell election Hours: Business Hours, M-F Additional Hours: 8 a.m.-9 p.m. on April 30 and May 1

WISD Central Office: Wilson ISD election Hours: Business Hours, M-F

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Bid on this big screen TV ... W. Calloway Huffaker Law Office, Lynn County Abstract and Walker-Solomon Insurance Agency are donating bla 50-inch flatscreen Panasonic TV to be auctioned at Saturday's Fun/ Food Festival. Pictured here from left are Cal Huffaker, Blair Oscarsson, Teresia Simpson, Rebekah Filley, Tommye Nance and Danny Preston.

Arrest ends standoff after county burglary

Lynn County Sheriff's officers and Slaton Police were involved in a two-hour standoff at a Slaton residence where a suspect in a Lynn County burglary refused to come out or acknowledge officers' presence last Tuesday evening.

Officers had started procedure to scene before a relative of the 19-year-old man went into the house and convinced the suspect to surrender. He was then brought to Lynn County jail and charged with burglary of a habitation.

Lynn officers said some guns and other items were stolen from the home of Bryan Barker in Lynn County about two miles from Southland, and that Barker had trailed the suspect to Slaton and then called the sheriff's department, who in turn sought the assistance of Slaton Police. After the tense standoff, officers said a computer owned by Barker was recovered from the residence, but no weapons were

A Lubbock woman told sheriff's

officers that just after midnight Saturday, a Wilson man had struck her in the face, requiring treatment at a Lubbock hospital. Officers arrested the Wilson man, whose 29th birthday was

In Tahoka, police were advised by Donnis Scott that someone had stolen get a SWAT team from Lubbock to the a 20-inch self-propelled Lawn Boy mower from outside her residence sometime last Thursday. The loss was estimated at \$450.

> Forty-three persons were in Lynn County jail as of early this week, with 12 held for Lubbock and three for Gaines County.

Eight most recent additions to the jail list were arrested for driving while license was invalid with prior conviction and failure to maintain financial responsibility, warrants on two burglaries of vehicles, insurance hold, driving while intoxicated third offense or more, application to revoke probation on conviction of DWI, and aggravated assault on a family

Hospital Fun/Food Festival set here Saturday night

All area residents are invited to the 29th Annual Lynn County Hospital District Fun/Food Festival and Auction this Saturday, May 2, from 5:00-8:00 p.m. at the Lynn County Show Barn on South 9th Street in Tahoka. The annual fund-raising event, sponsored by Tahoka Rotary Club, benefits Lynn County Hospital. Rotary members say there is still time to donate an item for the auction, by calling any Rotary Club member to pick up the item, or bring it to the hospital.

Admission to the Fun/Food Fest is free, but a \$1 donation will buy a door prize ticket to be eligible for the many door prizes that will be given away. A raffle ticket will also be available at the door, for \$2 for a prize of a stainless steel electric grill and a \$100 gift certificate at Thriftway Grocery in

The Silent Auction tables, featuring items to be purchased by handwritten bids, will be conducted from 5:00 until

An All-You-Can-Eat Fish Fry will

be served beginning at approximately > 5:30 p.m., at a cost of \$5 per plate. Members of the Tahoka Volunteer Fire Department generously offer their services in preparing the fried fish, hush puppies, fried potatoes/onions and coleslaw for the evening, and hospital directors and staff members serve the meal. Phebe K. Warner club members will sell homemade ice cream, and Lynn County 4-H youth will have drinks available at the concession stand. All proceeds benefit the hospital.

The main event of the evening will be the live auction of items donated by area merchants and individuals. Bill Miller will serve as auctioneer. The live auction begins at 5:30 p.m. and continues until all items are sold, usually closing at approximately 8:00

Lots of interesting items have been donated for the auction, and area residents are invited to come out for an evening of fun while supporting the local hospital.



Running for mayor ... Voters in Tahoka may choose between these four candidates for mayor of Tahoka in the May 9 election. From left are John Baker, Carlos Moralez, Mike Mensch (incumbent mayor) and Rusty Cook. The candidates answered questions in a public forum last Thursday (see story inside). Early voting in the election began Monday and continues through May 5.

O'Donnell ISD Board, Superintendent Schneider apparently at odds; Contract buy-out possible

by JUANELL JONES

O'Donnell Independent School District Board of Trustees and Superintendent Rodney Schneider may be parting company, if a contractbuy-out goes through as was suggested at a recent board meeting.

A large crowd of O'Donnell citizens reportedly attended the April 20 meeting of the OISD Board of Trustees, with six persons addressing the board regarding concerns about the school and superintendent. The News was not present at the meeting, but unofficial reports indicate that after listening to citizens' concerns the board went into closed executive session with Supt. Schneider as well as campus principals and athletic director, then returned to open session, then immediately returned to closed session with just the board of trustees. Upon returning to open session, Board President Renn Dorman is reported to have stated that "the board and Mr. Schneider have reached an agreement on a contract buy-out," and then the meeting was adjourned.

The superintendent's contract was not listed on the agenda for the April 20 meeting, although each meeting agenda does list "personnel" as an agenda item, in case personnel issues come up. Generally speaking, however, Attorney General opinions on the Texas Open Meetings Act recommends that administrative

contracts should be listed as specific agenda items so that the public is aware the contracts are up for consideration, because administrative contracts are not ordinary personnel matters and are of special interest to the public.

OISD Supt. Rodney Schneider told The News that he composes the board agenda for each meeting with input from the board president, but that he was "not aware the Board was going to discuss my contract during the meeting or during closed session." He also told The News that he was not aware, before the meeting, that there would be a number of individuals prepared to speak about issues concerning the superintendent, although he did say that the open forum segment of the meeting is open to any member of the public who desires to speak about school-related issues.

Traditionally, school superintendent contracts are considered in January board meetings. Trustees chose to take no action on the superintendent's contract and salary in their Jan. 19 meeting, when the superintendent's contract was listed as an agenda item, which by omission of any other action left the current contract in place at the same salary, through the 2010 school year. However, apparently acting on information presented by citizens at the April 20 meeting, trustees deemed the issue important enough to retire (See OISD Board/Supt., page 6)

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EVERY DAY those of us who watch television news every day, read our newspapers or even listen to all the gossip which comes to us at coffee shops or beauty shops are bombarded with more news

than we can really handle. Much of what we hear is unproven, or just plain rumor, or outright lies (you get of lot of that on the internet, if you look at it). I have heard things about people that I was almost positive were not true. The Bible says that someday we will be held responsible for every word we say-or write, I suppose, although I'd really rather not think

Just in the last week or so, I have heard something about:

A beauty pageant contestant who was courageous enough to state her religious beliefs about marriage, even though it may have cost her the crown.

Some medical researchers at Lubbock who are being vilified for using cats in their research (this is a purrfect storm).

Modern-day pirates who still like to steal things and kill people on Forty-eight per cent of the people polled by somebody think

Obama is doing a good job. (Those polls must have been restricted to people from California and up north).

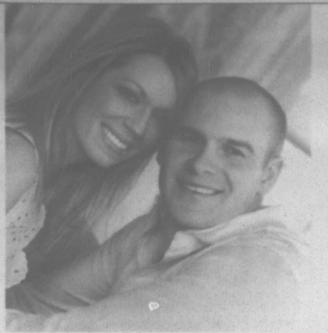
General Motors is laying off a bunch of people, until we give them more money.

Gov. Rick Perry has signed legislation intended to make Texas more attractive to film makers, so more of that money will be spent

Some unnamed benefactor is giving bunches of money to colleges with women presidents. (Maybe somebody thinks they will need more money, with women doing the shopping for the

colleges). All these and other stories are just more than I can absorb, and those are just recent things. I'm reminded of something our son once said when he was about 12 or 13, after coming home one afternoon: "I can't think about anything; my head is all stuffed full of school."

THE MAIN ST. MOMMA wants to know what happens if you get scared half to death twice?



KATE FORE and LEE RASH

Couple announce engagement

Bill and GeorgAnne Fore, of Angel Fire, NM, formerly of Southlake, announce the engagement of their daughter, Kate Fore, to Lee Rash, formerly of Tahoka. He is the son of Rex and JoElla Rash, formerly of Tahoka, of Tuscola.

The future bride is a graduate of Texas A&M University and is employed by PepsiCo, Chicago, Ill. Rash is a graduate of Texas A&M University and University of Chicago Booth School of Business. He is employed by The Blackstone Group.

The couple plans to marry June 27, 2009 at the DW Ranch

Private Pesticide Applicator License Testing set May 13

Private Pesticide Applicator License testing will be held Wednesday, May 13 at The Center For Housing & Community Development (1400 Ave. K) in Tahoka. Training for the license will begin at 8:00 a.m. followed by a noon lunch break. Testing will begin at 1:00 p.m.

Texas AgriLife Extension Service staff will conduct the training. Texas Department of Agriculture staff will administer the tests after lunch. Any person who purchases and utilizes pesticides (including herbicides, insecticides, fungicides, and rodenticides, etc.) must have a valid

All persons attending must register by Monday, May 11 by calling the County Extension Of-

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Open Friday from 11:00-5:30 and Saturday from 11:00 a.m. till 5:00 p.m. BBQ, potato salad, beans, all the trimmings, Fried Chicken, Fried Catfish, Hamburgers and Cheese Burgers, Pork Chops, Chicken Fried

Sunday, May 3: Hamburger steak, baked chicken, chicken fried steak, fried chicken, okra-& tomatoes, corn, green beans, scallop potatoes w/ cheese, des-

Call In Orders Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 561-1019.

> Support our Hospital -Come to the Fun/Food Festival

May 4-8 Monday: Chicken strips w/ gravy, mashed potatoes, tossed salad, homemade rolls, peaches Tuesday: Baked ham, macaroni salad, sweet peas, cornbread, rice crispy treats

Wednesday: Meatloaf, au gratin potatoes, carrots, sliced. bread, cake

Thursday: Baked chicken breasts w/ mushroom, ranch style beans, steamed squash, homemade rolls, cookies

Friday: Fried talapia, oven fries, coleslaw, hush puppies, blueberry muffins

· Weekly domino night on Mondays at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to join in!

. Do not forget to buy your copy of our cookbook- Timeless Treasures. Great to keep or give as a gift. They are available for \$12 each at the Center, Lynn County News and the City/County Library.

· Tuesday, May 12: 10:30-1:30 at the Center - Medication Management Health Fair for seniors 60+

Senior Citizens Health Fair May 12

The Lynn County Senior Citizens invite seniors who are 60 plus, to the Medication Management Health Fair to be held Tuesday, May 12, from 10:30 til 1:30 at the Senior Citizens Center located at 1600 South 3rd in Tahoka. This event is sponsored by the South Plains Association of Governments Area Agency

Booths will be available for the following; Medication Management, Blood Pressure, Home Safety, 211 Texas, and the following screenings for Bone Density, Respiratory, Diabetes, Nutritional, Cholesterol, and

For more information, contact Bianca Baker, Director of Lynn County Senior Citizens, at 561-5264.

Tahoka Elementary lists honor rolls

Tahoka Elementary Honor roll for the fifth six weeks is as follows; Perfect Attendance: Pre-K, Breanna DeLeon, Clay Sosa, Bryson Stone, Laela Duran, Nikloe Garcia, Diego Pena, and Zoey Redman. Kindergarten: Dylan Quintero, Destiny Rodriguez, Grace Serrato, Trenton Anderson, John Michael Calzoncit, Gracie Escobedo, Blaze Garces, Kade Hurt, Soul Moore, Laliana Morin, Jaden Rodriguez, L.J. Patterson and Kash Starkey. First Grade: Charlie Conner, Riley Cook, Corbin Escobedo, Angel Gonzales, Esmerelda Medina, John Stone, Sophie Thomas, Noe Olveda, Alexandra Perez, Nadalie Carrasco, Elvis Garces, and Braden

Students listed on the Superstar Honor Roll are; Second Grade: Brooke Garza, Carol Locke, Alexandria Salinas, Naziah Cauley, Aly Dotson, Gabrielle Littrell, Peyton Lowdermilk, Shelby Meeks, Tamya Stroope, Sarah Crank, Matthew Cunningham, Gabrielle Garcia, Kaylyn Green, Callie Nevill, Mason Walker, and Shalee Williams. Third Grade: Bentley Harbison. Fourth Grade: Brit Lockaby, Averi Starkey, Grant Tekell, Christian Aleman, Michaela Lopez, Olivia Hammonds, and Emit Quintero. Fifth Grade: Maci Dimak, Grant Garvin, Esperanza Ramirez, Adriana Salinas and Sarina Ybarra.

The Bulldog Honor students are: Second Grade: Matthew Diaz, Adriana Gonzales, Christian Hernandez, Jo Rosas, Mark Yackeschi, Benny Berg, Dalton Chapman, Madison Moya, Audra Pesina, Mykeah DeLeon, Miguel Granados and Bryson Resendez. Third Grade: Patrick Herrera, Monico DeLeon, Natalie Stice, Daniel Arriaga and Lisa Moroles. Fourth Grade: Abraham Nickel, Jared Santos, Braden Cook, Andrew Forsythe, and Kylynn McCleskey. Fifth Grade: Miranda DeLeon, Nickolas Garcia, Clarissa Lopez, Katharina Nickel, Kaci Rodriguez, Xenia Charon, Andrea Garcez, Curry Lehman and Allie Moya.

Wilson ISD lists honor rolls

Wilson Elementary Students listed on the 5th- six weeks Honor Roll are; All A's First Grade- Gage Lewter; Second Grade- Amber Guzman, Bryan Mendez, Rebekah Parmer, Fili Perez, and Brook Tyson; Third Grade- Carrie-Rose McDaniel, Ebby Spencer, and Kylie Steen; Fourth Grade- Rachel Faulkenberry, Warren Flud, David Garcia, and Nicole Ramirez.

Students listed on the A-B Honor roll are; First Grade- Ryan Isham, Topis Massengill and Kaitlyn Yell; Second Grade- Destiny Alba, Ashtyon Roman, and Raygin Taylor; Third Grade- Randee Autry, Meghan Ramirez, Xavier Ramirez, Samantha Valdez, and Anakin Villarreal; Fourth Grade-Bailey Steen and Fifth Grade- An-

gel Lopez. Honor roll for middle school and high school all A's are; Sixth Grade- Roman Parmer, and Dillon Trevino; Seventh Grade- William Parmer; Freshman, Juana Lopez. Students listed on the A-B Honor roll are; Seventh Grade-Samantha Mendez-Trujillo; Eighth Grade-Peggy Jackson; Sophmore- Brittany Taylor; Junior- Billy Bassinger, Felipe Ortega, Samantha Pearson, and Janet Valdez; and Senior- Domenique Escobar.



MR. AND MRS. CASEY LEE BOLYARD (nee Vanessa Lynn)

Couple exchange wedding vows

Vanessa Lynn and Casey Lee Bolyard were united in marriage Saturday, April 4, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Wilson with Rick West of Lubbock officiating the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Tom and Judy Walker of Lub-

The groom is the son of Doug and Tami Bolyard of Wil-

Escorted by her father, and given in marriage by her parents and son Ayden Mitchell, the bride wore a floor length, ivory satin gown with a halter neckline, featuring a bodice encrusted with pearls and rhinestones. The back was gathered into a small bussel. The empire waist flowed into a semi-cathedral train. A single layer ivory tulle veil completed the ensemble.

Serving as Matron of Honor was sister of the bride, Lafaun Gilman of Abilene. Serving as Best Man was son of the bride, Ayden Mitchell, of Lubbock.

Niece of the bride, Sawyer Gilman and friend of the bride Kiki Vigil, served as flower girls and Nathaniel Valdez, nephew of the groom, served as ring bearer. Musicians for the ceremony were Les and Nancy

A reception followed the ceremony at the First Baptist Church in Wilson.

The groom graduated from Wilson High School and attended South Plains College. He is employed by Family Power Sports in Lubbock. The bride graduated from Grady High School and received her Bachelor's degree from TTUHSC in nursing, and her Master's degree in nursing from West Texas A&M. She is employed as a Nurse Practitioner at the Shallowater Clinic.

Following a wedding trip to Ruidoso, NM, the couple will reside in Lubbock



Ellisyn Grace Shoaf

Rylee and Crystal Shoaf of Lubbock announce the birth of their daughter Ellisyn Grace, born April 21, 2009 at 2:01 p.m. at Covenant Hospital in Lubbock. She weighed 6 lbs, 15 oz and was 20-1/2 inches long.

Grandparents are John and Ginny Shoaf of Lubbock and great-grandmother is Janet Porterfield of Tahoka.

Hailey Lynn Bueermann Kyle and Michelle Bueermann of Kermit announce the birth of their daughter, Hailey Lynn, born Thursday, April 23 2009, at 8:29 a.m. She weighed 6 lbs and 8 oz, and was 19-1/2 inches long. She has one brother, Noah.

Grandparents are Bill and Wayla Bueermann of Tahoka, and Roy and Debbie Ackerman of Springer, NM. Great-grandparents are Wayland and Villa Craig of Tahoka, and Bob and Mildred Day of Albuquerque, NM.

Tahoka High School Relay for Life Team would like to say a big THANK YOU

to each of you who bought raffle tickets and/or made a donation. And also a big thanks to the Phebe K Warner Club for their donation of food to sell at the event.

> Winner of lawn mower: Rachel Lehman Winner of \$50.00 groceries: Lisa Meeks

Because of your support in this event, we are all able to help make a real difference in the fight against cancer.

Tahoka High School Relay for Life Team

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Parents, Grandparents, Aunts & Uncles...

Get your congratulations ad in by 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 20 for the graduation issue!

If you would like to congratulate your high school senior in The Lynn County News' graduation issue on May 28, send \$6.50 (for a small size ad) or \$13 (for an ad with a photo), the name of the student, high school and congratulators names to Box 1170, Tahoka, Tx 79373 or come by the News Office at

HURRY! DEADLINE IS WEDNESDAY, MAY 20.

1617 Main St.

This graduation issue will include New Home, Wilson, O'Donnell and Tahoka seniors!



Saturday evening fice at 806/561-4562 Don't miss the Lynn County Hospital Fun/Food Fest this Saturday! Sponsored by the Tahoka Rotary Club RICHARD HARBISON HOLDS UP A RUG FOR AUCTION AT LAST YEAR'S EVENT. Lots of items will be up for bid at the auction. Here's a sample listing of items donated for this year's event by local businesses and individuals: Lawn Mower
 Wii Game
 Power Tools
 Flat screen 50" TV Laptop Computer
 Art items
 ... and LOTS more! Don't miss out on all the fun at the festival, starting at 5:00 p.m. Saturday at the Lynn County Show Barn. The Tahoka Volunteer Fire Department will be cooking fried fish dinners for only \$5. All proceeds from the event benefit our local hospital. 1601 South 1st Street in Tahoka . Lobby Hours: 9-3 M-F 806 / 561-4511 Member F.D.I.C.

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Cook: Change - We need growth to build our community, maybe approach someone for motels, etc.

Baker: Change - Our town would benefit from being marketed. I would be a public servant to the town, and would work hard to market Tahoka.

Moralez: Change - I agree that marketing the town is important. How would you lead updating Tahoka's infrastructure, relating to our water lines and fire hydrant

Cook: I would look for money to do these - we have got to start thinking about updating or we will be in

system?

Baker: There are grant opportunities we are not taking advantage of - SPAG grants have not been fully utilized, and there is no reason we can't apply for these

Moralez: Same - look for fund-

Mensch: Our city engineering firm has already started plans for water lines and fire hydrant system updates.

How do you feel about a city recycling program?

Baker: We definitely need to continue our recycling efforts.

Moralez: Yes, I am in favor of re-

Mensch: We have already started a paper and plastic recycling program, and our senior citizens center has an aluminum can program. We can look

into more programs. Cook: I am 100 per cent in favor of recycling

Do you feel we need more businesses here, and if so, what type?

Moralez: Well, there are plenty of restaurants, maybe we could get something for our teens/kids to do.

Mensch: We are currently trying to form a development group, see. what is out there in terms of funding. I would not pinpoint a type of busi-

Cook: Any type of business willing to come to Tahoka would be

Baker: Jobs are a primary issue, and I would like to see a new hotel here. We need an economic development group, and we have an opportunity for a half-cent sales tax that could go towards economic develop-

As mayor, how would you

THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2009 . LYNN COUNTY NEWS . PAGE 3 motivate our youth?

Mensch: Visit with our youth, see what they want, and then get adult help - it can't be on the city itself, we

need volunteers. Cook: Get parents together and see what could be done, within rea-

Baker: Get our youth involved on an economic development board, let

them have a hand in it. Moralez: It seems to me that not as many youth are involved as before in years past. Maybe we could send out a questionnaire, see what the kids

What about animal control issues in Tahoka?

Cook: Animal control needs to be enforced, and we should build our own animal shelter with grant fund-

Baker: I applaud the cooperative effort that is currently underway for a new shelter in a joint venture between the county and all the other towns in the county. This is a great idea - this is exactly the type of cooperative efforts that can benefit our town, and something we need more of.

Moralez: The leash law especially needs to be enforced, and animal control codes should be enforced.

Mensch: The city has already signed on board with the county and other towns for a joint animal shelter to be built.



Stair Chair ... Lynn County EMS Paramedic Donnie Henry demonstrates a new piece of equipment, the stair chair, to other EMS volunteers at a recent EMS training session. Amy Preston, EMT, is the "patient" in the chair, which allows easier access to patients who may need to be moved up or down stairs or out of tight quarters.

Obituaries



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Services for Joe Belle Robinson, 89, of Tahoka, were held at 10 a.m., Wednesday, April 29, 2009 at the First Baptist Church in Tahoka with Rev. Richard Harbison officiating. She died April 26, 2009. Interment followed at Nevels Cemetery in Tahoka

1920 in Tahoka, to George R. liken. She graduated from Tain Lubbock on Oct. 18, 1941 April 5, 1996. She was a beauwas a member of the First Baptist Church in Tahoka.

ter, Julie Scott Tucker and husband David of Wylie; a son, Britt Robinson of Tahoka; and a

She was preceded in death by her husband; parents; seven sisters; one brother; and one grandson Jackie Robinson.

Arrangements were under,

She was born March 23, and Cleo (McGonagill) Milhoka High School in 1938. She married Jack Alley Robinson and he preceded her in death on tician and retired in 1998. She

Survivors include a daughgreat-grandson, Alex Robinson.

the direction of White Funeral Home in Tahoka and annual Would the new mayor be a figurehead or an agent of change?

tion as mayor of Tahoka answered questions at a candidate forum in Tahoka last Thursday evening, in front of a group of about 45 citizens in the audience at the Life Enrichment Center. Candidates John Baker, Carlos Moralez, Rusty Cook and incumbent mayor Mike Mensch fielded a dozen

questions from a prepared list as Dee Dee Pridmore, President of the Tahoka Rotary Club, facilitated the fo-Following is a short synopsis of each candidate's answers, although

The four candidates seeking elec-

by JUANELL JONES

most elaborated somewhat more than what is reported here. Why are you running for mayor? John Baker: I think we have a great town, and for me this is an opportunity to give back to this great

community Carlos Moralez: I have lived here all my life and can feel what the community feels. I believe I can communicate with everyone, and am just

here to do my part. Mike Mensch: Same reason I started on the council in 1991, to give

back and serve Rusty Cook: It's a good opportunity - I remember when I was young we had a booming town, we need

change and growth. What is the town's biggest problem?

Moralez: Animal problem, and something for our teens to do.

Mensch: Declining population Cook: Curb appeal, and market-

Baker: Lack of maintaining our population - we can't maintain our population unless we redo our infrastructure. I see other little towns grow, and I believe we can do as well as other towns What is Tahoka's biggest asset?

Mensch: Our location Cook: Our people Baker: Our people

Moralez: Our people What primary changes would you like to see made?

Cook: I would like to try to make things better here - we need more homes and businesses.

Baker: We need a change in direction - a slight adjustment can make a big difference. I don't fault our current council or mayor, but I think we have become complacent.

Moralez: I think people should be accountable with the needs of our local offices. Mensch: (inadvertently skipped

over on this question, not given an opportunity to answer) Would you consider dissolving the Tahoka Police Dept. to be inclusive

with the Sheriff's Office? Baker: No. A town's basic needs are water, sewer, fire services and police protection. I don't believe a county department can fully serve our town's needs, so I would not dissolve the police department.

Moralez: No, our police officers build a friendship with the community, and I don't believe a county office would be able to do that.

Mensch: No. I would not con-

Cook: I would only consider it if I was approached, and if the public approved it by voting on the issue. How would you approach cleaning up vacant lots and dilapidated buildings in Tahoka?

Moralez: I would not use a bully approach, but would contact landlords and give deadlines to comply.

Mensch: It must start with the landowners. If it falls in the city's lap

Cook: It should go to the individual landowners, and if no cooperation there then take legal actions.

Baker: We have ordinances in place, but I'm not sure they are fully enforced. We can do better, and might even consider having a code enforcement officer to enforce it.



Lots to bid on ... Lynn County Hospital District employee Malena Vitolas shows several auction items that will be available at the Fun/Food Festival on May 2. Shown here are crosses donated by Leesia Clem and Eddie Saldana, a shop vac from Tahoka Drug, a Wil game from First National Bank, and "Treasures of Texas" artwork donated by Lynn County Commissioners and elected officials. (LCN PHOTO)

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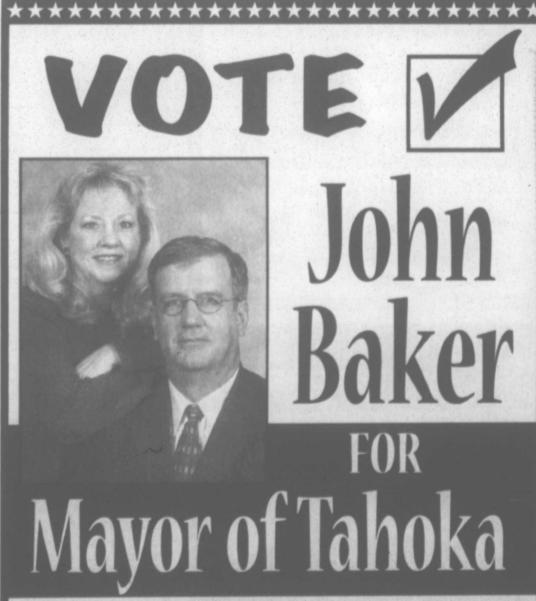
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Rep. Joe Heflin announces \$375,000 Home Repair Assistance award to Tahoka

Heffin announced today that the City of Tahoka has been awarded \$375,000 by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) through its HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program. The home repair assistance funds will be used to rehabilitate five area homes, thereby benefiting both the local economy and construction industry.

Joining TDHCA in announcing the award Rep. Heflin said, "This award will have a dramatic, positive impact on the lives of these homeowners. Most are elderly and among our state's most vulnerable residents. They simply don't have the funds to make the necessary repairs themselves.'

Tahoka City Administrator Jerry Webster said the grant will be used to demolish and rebuild five homes here, with applications to be accepted and administered through South Plains Community Action. "We are partnering with SPAG and SPCA to administer the grant and determine eligibility among applicants," Webster told The News, adding that local city officials would not have any input on the final decision of which five homes would be awarded in the program.

TDHCA Executive Director Michael Gerber stated, "We are confident that our home repair funds will have a lasting impact on these five families, and we're happy to help contribute to an improved quality of life for the residents of Tahoka. In addition, the local economy will benefit from the infusion of construction payroll funds and increased taxes and other fees to local governments."

TDHCA awards home repair funds to qualifying applicants through the Department's **HOME** Investment Partnerships Program, which helps repair or

State Representative Joe replace homes owned and lived in by income-eligible homeowners. Assistance may include roof repair or replacement as well as repairs to electrical and plumbing systems.

Gerber explained that repairing substandard housing is a critical mission of his Department. "These awards help preserve home ownership and can bring stability to entire neighborhoods," he said.

For more information on the HOME Program contact TD-HCA Public Information Officer Gordon Anderson at 512-475-4743, or TDHCA Program Administrator Sandy Garcia at 512-475-1391.

Old Mill Trade Days begins May 2 in Post

The Trade Day experience is back in Post. The Post City Merchants and the Post Area Chamber of Commerce are sponsoring "Old Mill Trade Day Downtown" the first Saturday each month beginning Saturday, May 2. Visitors to Post's Main Street can shop in one of the dozen shops as well as with vendors who will display their products in booths along the street.

Vendors will pay a set up fee of \$25 for outdoor space. For more information or to reserve vendor space, contact Darla Frazier, President of the Post City Merchants at 806-495-0609 or the Chamber office, 806-495-3461.

Business Franchise Tax due May 15

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs reminds businesses that their annual franchise tax is due May 15. This is the second franchise tax filing deadline since the Legislature's revisions that changed the tax calculation. The Comptroller's office continues to help business owners and tax preparers adjust to the changes.

Franchise tax forms and general information are available online at www.window.state.tx.us/ taxinfo/franchise/.





Fun at the Relay ... St. John Lutheran Church in Wilson formed a team at the Lynn County Relay For Life, and set up camp complete with a game of dominoes. At the card table are Arlis Ehlers, Victor Steinhauser, Donald Klaus, and Clyde Wilke, and seated in the lawn chairs from left are Carolyn Klaus, Tonda Freitag, Cam Wilke, Linda Wilke, Barbara Ehlers, Geneva Ehlers, Onita Steinhauser, and Ray Ehlers. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)



Walking to cure cancer ... The Lynn County Relay For Life was held Friday night at the Tahoka High School football field, with teams of walkers on the track throughout the night. All funds raised go to the American Cancer Society. This this year's event was again sponsored by Tahoka High School youth. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

Precautionary measures initiated to address Swine Flu in Texas

(AUSTIN) - As a precautionary measure, Texas Gov. Rick Perry this week increased his request of antiviral medication to 25 percent (850,000 courses) of the Texas allotment from the Centers stockpile. tion's (CDC) Strategic National Stockpile to be prepositioned in the state. This request will augment the more than 840,000 courses of antiviral medication on hand in Texas following a purchase authorized by the 80th Legislature and Gov. Perry in 2007.

"While the confirmed cases of swine flu in the U.S. have been mild, it is prudent that we take the necessary precautions in Texas to protect our citizens which is why today I have requested 850,000 courses of antiviral medication from the CDC to be prepositioned in the state," said Gov. Rick Perry. "We will continue to work with our local, state and federal health officials to ensure public safety is protected."

CDC's Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) has large quantities of medicine and medical sup-

plies to protect the American public if there is a public health emergency (terrorist attack, flu outbreak, earthquake). For more information on the SNS, visit www.bt.cdc.gov/

facilities in the Schertz-Cibolo-Universal City Independent School District will be closed effective immediately after several more flulike illnesses have been discovered in the ongoing Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) swine flu investigation. All extracurricular activities are also cancelled. For more information visit: www.scuc.txed.net.

The move follows the closing of the district's Byten firme High School, announced on Saturday. Swine flu has been lab-confirmed in two students from that school who have recovered. Lab confirmation is pending on a third case who is recovering.

"We don't have lab confirmation for any of the additional flulike illnesses yet, but we've found enough illnesses associated with some of the other schools that we

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believe it's prudent to close all of them before classes resume on Monday," said Sandra Guerra, M.D., a DSHS regional director and the public health authority for Guadalupe County. She urged students not to be around each other while the schools are closed, noting that would "defeat the purpose of the closings.'

The governor and state health officials urge the schools' staff, faculty, students and their household members to avoid contact with others, especially if they have symptoms of a respiratory illness.

Symptoms of swine flu in people are similar to those of regular or seasonal flu and include fever, fatigue, lack of appetite and coughing. Some with swine flu also have

Health officials say everyone should follow standard precautions to reduce the spread of any respiratory illness.

 Stay home when you are sick to avoid spreading illness to others. · Cough or sneeze into the crook of your elbow or a tissue and properly dispose of used tissues.

· Wash hands frequently and thoroughly with soap and warm water or use an alcohol-based hand

Individuals with these flu-like symptoms should call the state's

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AUSTIN - Financial help for renewable energy projects in rural Texas through the federal stimulus bill and other sources will be the focus of a May 18 workshop cosponsored by the Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA).

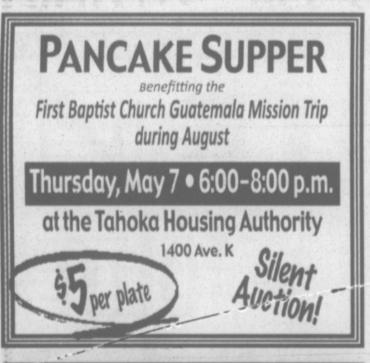
The free workshop will be 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Room 170 of the Stephen F. Austin state office building, 1700 N. Congress, in Austin.

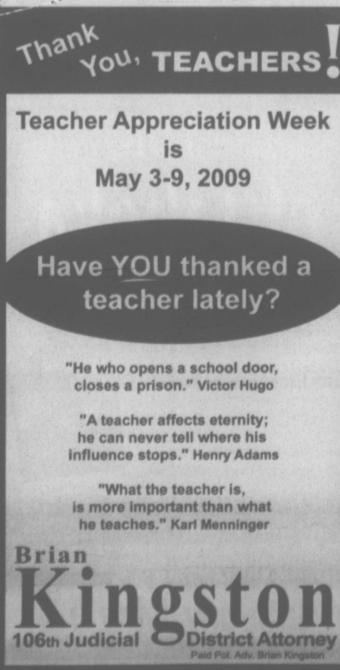
More than \$200 million for energy efficiency and renewable energy projects are expected to be available in Texas from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (stimulus bill), said Travis Brown, ORCA's renewable energy program manager. Brown also is coordinator of the Rural Alliance for Renewable Energy (RARE), which is hosting the workshop.

Speakers at the workshop will include representatives from the State Energy Conservation Office (SECO), which will administer much of the stimulus money. The workshop is intended for officials from rural towns, counties and schools, along with rural businesses, landowners, agricultural producers and renewable energy companies.

Registration for the May 18 workshop is limited. To register, call Brown at (512) 936-7878 or email him at tbrown@orca.state.









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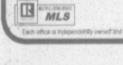
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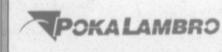
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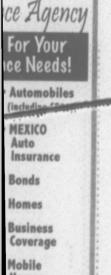
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immediately to closed session to consider the issue. Trustees did not put forth any motions for consideration regarding the superintendent's contract in open session, and therefore no official action was reported.

In Supt. Schneider's "Board Report" that he submits to the school district after each board meeting, he wrote, "The board meeting was adjourned prior to the discussion items when Mr. Dorman stated that the Board would be calling a special meeting to discuss the possibility of buying out my contract. I have agreed to attend this meeting.

As of last night the date for that meeting has not been set."

As of April 28, Supt. Schneider told The News that the OISD Board of Trustees had not called any special meetings. Their next regular meeting was set for May 21. In the meantime, the school trustee election will occur on May 9, and board president Renn Dorman is not running for re-election. The News has been unable to contact Mr. Dorman for comments regarding the April 20 meeting.

Following is information written by Regina Crutcher, a reporter with the Lamesa



NOTICE OF ELECTION LYNN COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT RESOLUTION AND ORDER BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF LYNN COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT CALLING FOR AN ELECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING DIRECTORS.

WHEREAS, by virtue of applicable law it is necessary that an election be held in the Lynn County Hospital District on May 9, 2009 for the purpose of electing three directors for such district to serve until the second Saturday in May 2012, and thereafter until their successors have been declared elected and qualified.

BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LYNN COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT:

SECTION 1: That an election be held on the second Saturday of May 2009, within said LYNN COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT, for the purpose of submitting to the resident qualified electors of said district the following:

THE ELECTION of three directors for said Lynn County Hospital District to serve until the second Saturday in May 2012, and thereafter until their successors have been declared elected and qualified.

SECTION 2: That the manner of holding said election shall be governed by the General Law of the State of Texas, except as otherwise provided by the law authorizing the creation of the District and all resident electors shall be entitled to vote.

SECTION 3: To be eligible for the office of Director, a person must be a qualified voter, reside in the District of said election, and file a report of contributions and expense.

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EARLY VOTING shall be conducted by the County Clerk of Lynn County in the office of the County Clerk in the Courthouse at Tahoka, Texas in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 83 of the Texas Election Code, and said clerk shall keep the office open between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. on each day for early voting which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or an official State Holiday. Early voting shall begin on Monday, April 27, 2009 and end on Tuesday, May 5, 2009.

SECTION 5: In conformity with Chapter 52 of the Texas Election Code candidate names shall appear on the election device for Directors who have submitted a proper petition therefore.

SECTION 6: The election on officials shall make due returns of said election within ten (10) days of the date of holding the same.

SECTION 7: The Board of Directors shall give notice of the election herein ordered by publishing a true copy thereof signed by the President and attested by the Secretary in a newspaper of general circulation published in Lynn County, Texas one time at least ten (10) days before the election. PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 29th DAY OF IANUARY.

/s/ Jerry Ford **Board President**

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SEA SE RESOLVIO Y ORDENO POR LA JUNTA DIRECTIVA DEL LYNN

COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT. LA SECCION 1: Que una eleccion sea aguantada el segundo Sabado del 2009 de Mayo, dentro de digo LYNN COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT, para el proposito de someter al residente elector's calificados de dijo el distrito

LE ELECCION de tres directores para dijo el LYNN COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT para server hasta que el segundo Sabado en el 2012 de Mayo y despues hasta que sus sucesores hayan sido declarados elegidos y califica-

LASECCION 2: Que la manera de tenerr dijo que la eleccion sera gobernada por la ley General del Estado de Tejas, sino como de otro modo proporcionado por la ley que autoriza la creacion del Distrito y todos electores residents

tendra derecho para votar. LA SECCION 3: Tener derecho para la oficina de Director, una persona deba ser un votante calificado, reside en el Distrito de dijo la eleccion, y

archiva un informe de contribuciones y gasto.

LASEC	CCION 4:				
Hospital	Condado				
District	Election				
Eleccion	Precinto		Sitio de		
Precinto	Numero	Ubicacion	Eleccion		
	NOTE LA UBICACION ELECTORAL NUEVA PARA TAHOKA				
1	1,6,7,9	Vida Enriquecimiento Centro			
2	2,8	Wilson Mercantil	Wilson, Tejas		
3	3,5	Area de los campos communes			
		de la High School secundaria	O'Donnell, Tejas		
4	4,11	Municipio de la New Home	New Home, Tejas		
Los sonde	os abriran a	las 7:00 de la mañana y cerraran e	en 7:00 de la tarde, El		
		rve en cada centro electoral design			
war la m	anas una (1)	amplanda nava marticimas on ton	iondo tal alassion		

VOTARTEMPRANO: Sera realizado por el Empleado de Condado de Lynn en la oficina del Empleado de Condado en el Palacio de justice en Tahoka, Tejas de acuerdo con las provisiones del caputulo 83 del Codigo del Eleccion de Tejas y dicho que elpleado mantendra la oficina abre entre las horas de 8:30 de la mañana y 5:00 de la tarde en cada dia para votar temprano que no es un sabado, el domingo, ni un funcionariolndique las Vacaciones. Votar temprano empezara el Lunes, el 27 de Abril de 2009 y terminara el Martes, el 5 de Mayo de 2009.

LA SECCION 5: En la conformidad con el capitulo 52 del los nombres del código de la elección de Tejas aparezca en el dispositivo de la elección para los directores que han sometido un apropiado petición por consiguiente. LA SECCION 6: Los funcionarios de la eleccion haran los regresos de-

bidos de dijo que la eleccion dentro de diez (10) dias de la fecha de tener lo LA SECCION 7: La Junta directive avisara de la eleccion en esto ordenado

por publicado una copia una copia exacta del mismo firmado por el Presidente y atestiguado por el Secretario en un periodico de la circulacion general publicada en Lynn County, Texas un timepo por lo menos diez (10) dias antes

de la eleccion. PASADO, APROBADO, Y ADOPTO ESTE 29 DIA DE ENERO DE 2009. Jerry Ford Jim Morris Junta Secretario Junta Presidente



Headed to playoffs ... Tahoka's Sarah Zuniga makes her way to tag first base Monday against Ralls in the District Championship playoff game. The Lady Buildogs lost 4-1 to make them the second seed in the playoffs. Tahoka will face Hamlin in bi-district action Saturday, at 1:00 o'clock at Snyder High School. (LCN PHOTO by Abraham Vega)

were 47 people and all seven

business of paying the bills, and

setting a tentative date for the

May board meeting, the board

approved a one-year term contract

to Daniel Fontenot as the athletic

director for the 2009-10 school

football coach.

Fontenot is currently the head

In addition to the regular

board members in attendance.

Press-Reporter, following last Monday night's board meeting in O'Donnell. Mrs. Crutcher was also one of several who addressed the board as a concerned parent at the meeting.

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The O'Donnell ISD Board of Trustees has decided to go forward with efforts to buy-out the remaining year of Superintendent Rodney Schneider's contract, board President Renn Dorman announced at Monday night's (April 20) board meeting prior to adjourning that meeting.

A large crowd of citizens attended the meeting.

Dorman's announcement came after the board had reconvened into open session, following a closed, executive session to discuss Schneider's contract under the personnel portion of the agenda for Monday night's meeting.

After conferring with the school lawyer Tuesday morning. Dorman declined to comment to the Lamesa Press-Reporter in regard to any details of Monday night's meeting or any other school-related business.

Schneider was hired in July, 2007 for three years through June 30, 2010 at \$85,000 per year. In the January 2008 and 2009 school board meetings, the board took no action in regard to extending Schneider's contract.

Woolam Gin owner Tommy Woolam, retired school teacher Donna Hopkins, and citizens Stanley Forbes, Lois Sherrill and Regina Crutcher spoke during the meeting in the open forum. There

> Wilson SCHOOL MENU

> > May 4-8

Monday: Cinnamon Rolis Tuesday: Sausage, biscuits, gravy Wednesday: Oatmeal & toast Thursday: Breakfast pizza

Friday: Eggs, hash brown, toast Lunch Monday: Sausage wrap, pinto beans, baked chips, pineapple/

orange salad Tuesday: Chicken fajitas, refried beans, corn, chocolate pudding Wednesday: Steak fingers, greens beans, mashed potatoes, gravy, hot

Thursday: Meat & bean chalupas, Spanish rice, lettuce/tomatoes, applesauce

Friday: Subsandwiches, trimmings, tater tots, baby carrots/ranch

These Tahoka Firms Are

AgTexas Farm Credit Services

Rodney Keeton and Mike Metzig

Capital Farm Credit (formerly First Ag Credit, FCS) Clint Robinson

Jason Gandy **Farmers Co-op**

Association No. 1 -

Lynn County Farm Bureau

Band Booster golf tourney is May 2

The Annual Tahoka Band Booster Golf Tournament will be held Saturday, May 2, at T-Bar Country Club with a shotgun start at 9:00 a.m.

This fund-raiser benefits the award-winning Tahoka Band Program. The Booster Club is seeking teams for their 4-person scramble for an entry fee of \$160 per team. First prize will be \$500, second place (\$300), and third place (\$200) will also be awarded if 12 or more teams are entered.

In addition, "Closest to the Pin," "Longest Drive" and a "Putting Contest" will all be offered and can be entered the morning of the tournament. Mulligans will be available at 2 for \$10.

Golfers will be treated to sausage wraps, burgers, desserts, and drinks. For more information, or to register a team, contact Cherry at 998-5305 or Tonda at 998-

FUMC to host free concert

General 'C' will bringing Christian Hip-Hop to the stage through original music with an urban beat on Sunday, May 3 at 4:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Tahoka. Merchandise for General 'C' will be available for purchase.

Following the concert all students in grades 7 through 12 are invited to join the FUMC Youth Group and General 'C' at the Main Event in Lubbock following the concert. The cost to attend the Main Event portion is only \$15 for bowling, pizza, and laser tag. Students will return to FUMC parking lot by 8:30-8:45 p.m.

For more information or to sign up, go to the church office or call FUMC at 561-4503.



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NOTICE

PRE-REGISTRATION FOR HEADSTART & PRE-KINDERGARTEN 2009-2010

MONDAY, MAY 4, 2009 1:30 P.M. TAHOKA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAFETERIA

To be eligible for enrollment in a PK class, a child must be 3 or 4 years of age on September 1 of the current school year and must:

be unable to speak and comprehend the English language; or be educationally disadvantaged (eligible to participate in the National

School Lunch Program; or be homeless; or

be the child of an active duty member of the armed forces of the United States, including the state military forces or a reserved component of the armed forces, who is ordered to active duty by proper authority; or

be the child of a member of the armed forces of the United States, including the state military forces or a reserved component of the armed forces, who was injured or killed while serving on active duty; or

have ever been in the conservatorship (foster care) of the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) following an adversary hearing.

PARENTS MUST BRING:

- Certified Birth Certificate
- · Updated Immunization Records
- Social Security Card
- Proof of Income (for the past 12 months)

tical that everyone in the Tahoka ISD come to the pre-registration or call the Elementary Office at 561-4350 or Mrs. Bennie Nance at 998-4123. Games and fun activities will be provided for the children while parents register.

AVISO

PREREGISTRO PARA EL HEADSTART Y PRE-KINDERGARTEN 2009-2010

CAFETERIA DE LA ESCUELA PRIMARIA DE TAHOKA **LUNES 4 DE MAYO DE 2009** 1:30 P.M.

Para ser elegible para la inscripción en una clase de PK, un niño debe ser 3 o 4 años de edad el 1 de septiembre del año escolar actual y debe: 1. no poder hablar y comprender la lengua inglesa; o

2. educativo se perjudique (elegible participar en el programa nacional del almuerzo de escuela; o 3. ser sin hogar; o

4, ser el niño de un miembro del servicio activo de las fuerzas armadas de arma de los Estados Unidos, incluyendo las fuerzas militares del estado o un componente reservado de las fuerzas armadas de arma, que es pedido al servicio activo por autoridad competente; o

5, ser el niño de un miembro de las fuerzas armadas de arma de los Estados Unidos, incluyendo las fuerzas militares del estado o un componente reservado de las fuerzas armadas de arma, que fue dañado o mató mientras que servía en servicio

6. han estado en el conservatorship (acogida) del departamento de la familia y de los servicios protectores (DFPS) después de una audiencia del adversario.

LOS PADRES DEBEN TRAER:

Acta de nacimiento

Cartilla Nacional de vacunacion

Tarjeta de Seguro Social

Prueba de ingresos para los últimos 12 meses (income tax / W-2)

Es crítico que cada uno de las familias de Tahoka viene al preregistro o llama a la oficina en 561-4350 o a Señora Bennie Nance en 998-4123. Los juegos y las actividades de la diversión serán proporcionados para los niños mientras que los padres se colocan.