

PlayBall!

Pick off attempt ...

Tahoka's Kordell Baker, caught in mid-air by photographer Abraham Vega, scrambles back to base as the pitcher attempts to pick him off on first base, in district action against Ira during Spring Break. The Ira Bulldogs handed the Tahoka Bulldogs their first district loss last Thursday afternoon in Tahoka. They pounded out 11 hits and played nearly flawless defense en route to a 13-4 victory. In a Lynn County face-off, Tahoka will play at O'Donnell at noon this Saturday.

(LCN PHOTO by Abraham Vega)



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Brisket dinner, raffle/auction set Sunday to benefit HOME ministry

The Hands On Mission Evangelism (HOME Ministry) invites community residents to a fundraiser dinner and raffle this Sunday, March 24 at The Center, 1400 S. Ave. K, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Barbecue brisket, beans, potato salad, bread and dessert will be served. Dinner plates will be a minimum \$5 donation per person.

Raffle tickets for a John Deere riding lawn mower and a Carrier Heating/AC unit will be available for purchase at the dinner. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20, and the winner need not be present to win. Two drawings will be held from the same ticket, one for the lawn mower and one for the Carrier unit.

"Live musical entertainment will be offered, as well as a live auction for baked

goods by local bakers, and as an added bonus to the auction we will be offering a two-night stay on Bonita creek outside Ruidoso N.M. (3 BR, 2 bath, full kitchen home capable of sleeping 2 to 8 people)," said a sponsor.

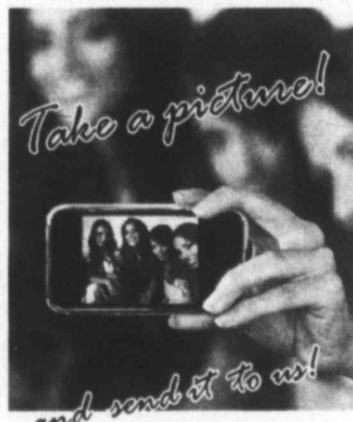
The HOME Ministry is a local ministry for the community and county, supported by local dollars. "We always welcome volunteers to assist with the work we do, to repair homes for those in need," said Anglia James. "We have had to cancel a working on a project due to a lack of people to help, so we do need volunteers to help with these local projects," she added.

For more information, call Alton and Anglia James or any other HOME ministry member.

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

State powerlifters...

Tahoka High School powerlifters Lisa Marie Alvarado (left) and Dastine White competed at the girls state powerlifting meet in Corpus Christi on March 16th. Lisa Marie placed second with a total of 1075 lbs lifted. Dastine competed well but was unable to finish the meet. "Congratulations to these two ladies on an outstanding season!" said Coach Brandon Hopper.



Monthly Photo THEME

E-mail your photos to LynnCoNews@poka.com and maybe you'll see your photo featured in The Lynn County News

- APRIL ... (DUE MARCH 28)
"Life is Good"
- MAY ... (DUE APRIL 20)
"I had a Bad Day"
- JUNE ... (DUE MAY 20)
"It's a Dog's Life"

What's Outside

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Mar. 13	71	31	
Mar. 14	84	31	
Mar. 15	87	42	
Mar. 16	82	46	
Mar. 17	77	40	
Mar. 18	71	38	
Mar. 19	65	41	

Total Precip for Jan.: 0.93"
Total Precip for Feb.: 0.96"
Total Precip. for 2013: 1.89"

Easter Eggstravaganza!

More than 3,000 Easter eggs will be hidden for an "Easter Eggstravaganza" for children in the community, ages toddlers through 3rd grade – and everyone is invited to come join in the fun the day before Easter Sunday.

The Eggstravaganza is sponsored by the City/County Library and Friends, and will feature Easter egg hunts for three age divisions, prizes, story time, crafts and more, from 10 a.m. until 12 noon on Saturday, March 30 at the Life Enrichment Center in Tahoka. The event is free and open to the community.

"We will have the Easter Bunny, candy and prizes hidden in eggs (including tokens for grand prizes valued at up to \$50 in each age category), story time and hands-on crafts, chalk art, as well as photo opportunities with the Easter Bunny," said a sponsor.

Three different hunting grounds will be marked off for different age groups to



Prizes, crafts, stories and more offered at Community Easter egg hunt next Saturday

hunt their Easter eggs, with eggs holding candy and a variety of prizes – including 50 gold dollar coins, glitter tattoos, and gift certificates for pizza, cupcakes, ice cream and other merchandise provided by local merchants.

Story and craft time will be offered inside the Life Enrichment Center, as well as photo opportunities with the Easter Bunny. The Easter Bunny will lead an "Easter Parade" of children to their hunting grounds for Easter eggs, with different times slated for each age group in the area around the Life

Enrichment Center. The street will be blocked off between the Center and the Tahoka Mini-Park to allow children to safely cross over to the egg hunts. Children must bring their own Easter baskets for the egg hunt.

"There will be fun things to do throughout the entire morning, so plan now to arrive at 10 a.m. so your children won't miss out on any of the activities," said a sponsor. "Parents, don't forget your cameras, as there will not be a photographer provided for the photo opportunity with the Easter Bunny."

Eggstra special fun ...

These Tahoka High School students volunteered to stuff hundreds of Easter eggs with candy and other prizes for the Community "Easter Eggstravaganza" Easter Egg hunt that will be held on Saturday, March 30 from 10 a.m. until 12 noon at the Life Enrichment Center in Tahoka for all area children. More than 3000 eggs will be hidden for children to find, and these young volunteers are much-appreciated for their help in filling the eggs. Kneeling in front (from left) are Elvia Aguilar, Mia Saldana, Charlie Duran, John Ryan Barrientez, and Selena Tello, and behind them are Ashley Anderson, Amanda Anderson, Gabriella Alvarez, Damien Montez, Marcus Gonzales, and Keaton Stice. Donna Stone is their teacher.

(LCN PHOTO by Juanel Jones)



Words of Inspiration:

Dream big and dare to fail.

— NORMAN VAUGHAN

I failed my way to success.

— THOMAS EDISON

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IN MEMORIAM:
Danny Michael Paris
April 19, 1957 - March 11, 2011

I have so many loving memories of you by my side. And, oh, the tears of sadness I daily cry. I'm sure heaven is a wonderful place to be, But I wish each day that you were still here with me.

~ Love, Mom

Obituaries



Hazel Connolly

Hazel Mary Connolly of Lewisville, formerly of Tahoka, passed away on Wednesday, March 13, 2013 at the age of 90. She was born June 13, 1922 in Hugo, OK to Charles and Nevada (Leathers) Clem. Hazel worked as the City Secretary in Tahoka for 22 years and served as President of the South Plains Association of City Clerks and Secretaries from 1978-1980. She married Robert Clark Connolly on March 10, 1945. She was a member of the Tahoka Church of Christ.

Those left to cherish her memory are two daughters, Judy Barker and husband Russell of Garland, and Joan Shibley and husband Mac of Little Elm; brother, Vernon Clem and wife Dolly of Lubbock; grandson, Duane Leverett of Dallas; and great-granddaughter, Belen Leverett of Denver, CO.

Hazel was preceded in death by her parents; husband; five brothers, Urcie, Cecil, Weir, Gayle and Roland Clem; and two sisters, Lela Huntley and Patsy Sherrill.

Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, March 16, at the Tahoka Church of Christ with interment at the Tahoka Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 3610 22nd Street, Ste. 300, Lubbock, TX 79410 or Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children, 2222 Welborn St., Dallas, TX 75219.

Please celebrate the life of Hazel by visiting www.combestfamilyfuneralhomes.com (PAID)



DONATIONS to the Lynn County Hospital District EMS are greatly appreciated.
LCHD EMS, Box 1310, Tahoka, Tx

Lynn County Pioneers (Senior Citizens) appreciates any and all donations.



Mission trip fun ... "We had a great time in Ecuador!" says Dr. Cathy Box of Tahoka, pictured here with children from Ecuador. She headed a group from Lubbock Christian University, taking 12 LCU students on a mission trip during Spring Break. All were education majors who took part in teaching children in Tabacundo schools as well as working with students in an after school program. "We tried to represent Tahoka well," said Dr. Box.



Leon Harmonson

Services for Leon Harmonson, 76, of New Home, were held at 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 19, 2013 at Lake Ridge Chapel and Memorial Designers. Our beloved Leon went to be with the Lord on Sunday, March 16, 2013, but will live on in our hearts forever. To send your words of encouragement to the family and view a life tribute of Leon Harmonson, visit www.memorialdesigners.net.

Leon was born on March 08, 1937 to Marcellus and Dottie (Perry) Harmonson. He attended New Home High School. Leon was a farmer for many years, but his true passion was flying. He found great pleasure in crop dusting for 37 years. Leon loved spending time with his family. His grandchildren and great-grandchildren were his "heart". He loved gadgets and no one could operate the television remote better than him.

Leon was preceded in death by his mother, Dottie Harmonson, his father, Marcellus Harmonson, his brother, Floyd Harmonson, and his son, Ronnie Lee Harmonson.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife of 57 years, Charlene Harmonson of New Home; his daughter, Vickie Timmons and spouse Wesley of Meadow; his son, Tommy Harmonson and wife, Jennifer, of Lubbock; two sisters, Jewel Dean Hemmeline and Inda Faye Reeves; his grandson, Cody Timmons of Amarillo; two granddaughters, Holly Murdock of New Home, and Joslyn Sellers of Lubbock; and six great-grandchildren, JB Timmons, Charlie Timmons, Ronnie Kye Murdock, Carsen Murdock, Taylor Timmons and Ryker Sellers, all of whom he loved dearly. (PAID)

Green Memorial Park Cemetery

Green Memorial Park Cemetery will have its annual **DONATION DRIVE** during the month of March.

Funds may be deposited directly to First Bank & Trust or mailed to Green Memorial Park Cemetery, P.O. Box 102, Wilson, Texas 79381.

The board of directors (Reda Abbe, Servando Benavidez, Oscar Follis, Lester Gickhorn, and Dennis Moore) would like to thank each of you for your past contributions and ask for your support to help keep the cemetery neat and attractive.

Family violence incident reported

One incident of assault/family violence was reported to Tahoka Police during the last week. A 31-year-old woman was arrested for assaulting an older woman at a residence in the city Monday.

Donations sought for Green Memorial Park

The Board of Directors for Green Memorial Park in Wilson is seeking donations during their annual fundraising drive for the cemetery during the month of March.

"We encourage all who have loved ones buried here to help with the expenses of maintaining our cemetery. This past year our expenses were more than our donations," stated a board member.

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Reda Abbe, Servando Benavidez, Oscar Follis, Lester Gickhorn, and Dennis Moore are on the board of directors. "We would like to thank each of you for your past contributions and ask for your support to help keep the cemetery neat and attractive," said a member.

Phebe K. Warner CLUB NEWS

Phebe K Warner Club will meet Tuesday, March 26 at 4:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church with the social committee as hostesses.

The youth Short Story and Poetry winners will share their entries with club members and visitors. All visitors are welcome to come and attend this occasion with us.

Show your colors!
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by Dalton **Woodwork**



TWO OF MY TRUSTED electronic tools quit working last week, and as this was being written last weekend, neither of them had been fixed. I have come to rely on my cell phone and internet/e-mail services so much that when I lose one, I feel deprived. When I lose both at once, it feels like the whole world is out of order.

First, our cell phones stopped working, along with all the others on Sprint in Tahoka (and so far as I know, all over the county). A few years ago, we decided to eliminate the landline at our house, relying solely on cell phones carried by both of us who live in that house.

We're not addicted to cell phones like so many students, or even lots of adults. We just use them like telephones—no texting, we don't use the cameras, don't want phones that go on the internet, play tunes, games, movies and TV shows, make coffee and vacuum the living room, although those last two would be handy. We just want to be able to call up anyone we want, and to receive calls from all of my wife's many friends (and both of mine).

Anyway, it was a pain when the phones stopped working last week. But it was worse when our internet and e-mail bombed, because we couldn't even phone the internet provider to report the problem.

With no phone or e-mail or any other way of immediate communication with anyone, I considered building a big fire in my front yard and sending up smoke signals. But with no Indian ancestry, I wouldn't know how to do that either. I think one puff of smoke means "I've got a fire going here," or maybe it means "Help!"



I loved the hugs ... Nikki Box of Tahoka gets a hug and a happy smile from one of the Ecuadorian children she taught during an LCU Spring Break mission trip to Ecuador. She was one of 12 LCU students to take part in the mission trip.

Physics Facts & Trivia
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The effect of Relativity made Astronaut Sergei Avdeyev a fraction of a second younger upon his return to Earth after 747 days in space.

The Dead Sea is so dense with salt, you can easily float on it without drowning.

REMINDER:

The Lynn County **Justice of Peace, Pct. 1** and **Tax Assessor-Collector** offices are now located on the west side of the square at 1521 Ave. J in Tahoka. **Justice Peace #1: 561-4337**
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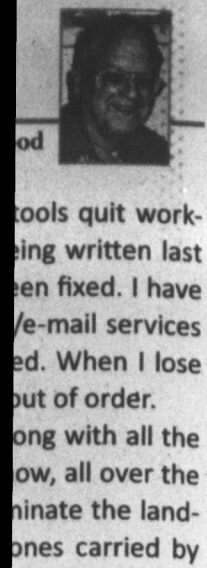
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Prizes to be found ... Pictured here are just a few of the prizes that children may win at the Community 'Easter Eggstravaganza' Easter Egg hunt that will be held on Saturday, March 30 from 10 a.m. until 12 noon at the Life Enrichment Center in Tahoka for all area children. The event is free and open to children from toddlers (walking on own) through third grade. Three different hunts for separate age groups will be held, with the Easter Bunny on hand to lead the children on an "Easter Parade" to the hunting grounds. Tokens for lots of prizes will be hidden in the eggs, as well as candy, glitter tattoos, and more, and children can also hear fun stories during Story Time at the City/County Library, and work on crafts. The City/County Library and Friends is sponsoring the event.

Wilson Community Easter Egg Hunt set

Wilson area residents are invited to the Wilson City Park on Saturday, March 30 from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. for a Community Easter Egg Hunt and Hot Dog Cookout.

The Easter Egg Hunt will begin at approximately 12:05 p.m. for children who are walking through age 12. Hot dogs, drinks and sweets will be available following the egg hunt. Those attending are invited to bring lawn chairs to enjoy the festivities. Group games will be coordinated for all those who wish to participate and a special goodie will be given to all children.

Come join the fun at this special event sponsored by St. John Lutheran Church.

Senior Citizen's LUNCH MENU

March 25-29

Monday: Ham & beans, spinach, corn, orange pineapple cup, country apple crisp

Tuesday: Chicken spaghetti, spinach, carrot & raisin salad, gingerbread w/ peach sauce

Wednesday: Creamy mushroom steak, mashed potatoes, peas & carrots, pears

Thursday: Beef & bean chili verde, white rice, salad, cantaloupe

Friday: Good Friday - Closed

• 1st Sunday Dinner Fundraiser has been postponed until April.

• We are still seeking names to go on the quilt for the 2013 Harvest Festival. Call or come by the Center for details.

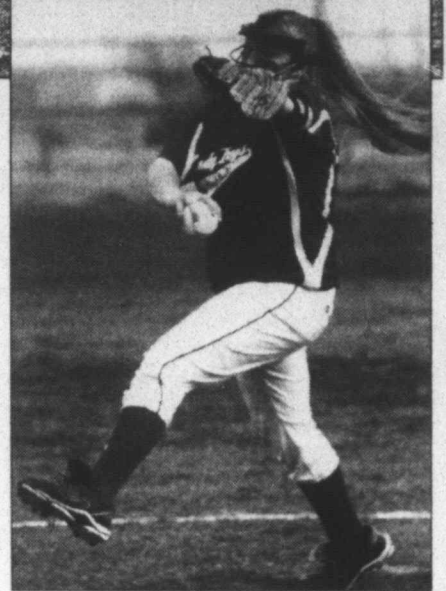
• Be sure to check our facebook page for upcoming details & events happening at the Center

• The Center has a program called Feed Our Community. We have a ten-day lunch ticket for a suggested donation of \$35.00. If the individual is under 60, a ten-day lunch ticket costs \$50.00. The lunch ticket can be used for an on-site meal, a take-out meal or if eligible, we will deliver the meal. The ticket can be purchased for a specific person or it can be donated and the Center will pick the person.

• Aluminum can recycle is NOW located on N. 5th street across from the City Barn. All donations dropped off at this sight are to benefit Sr. Citizen's Center home delivery and congregate meal programs. Please tie your bags before placing them in the bin.



Safe! ... Kara Larpenter slides safely into home Tuesday night while the Lady Bulldogs faced the New Deal Lady Lions. Tahoka won the game 17-2 in the 3rd inning. Tahoka boys baseball team also had a win Tuesday night, 13-7 over the Ralls Jackrabbits.



The windup ... Laura Henderson winds up for the pitch during Tuesday night's win over the New Deal Lady Lions.

(LCN PHOTOS by Abraham Vega)

Senior Citizens seeking names for quilt

Lynn County Pioneers Senior Citizens Center is sponsoring a Lynn County Keepsake Quilt, asking county families to put their names on the quilt for \$1 per block. The names will be embroidered on the quilt, which will then be raffled at the 2013 Harvest Festival.

To have your name on the quilt, call or go by the Sr. Citizens Center, 561-5264, email to LCP@door.net, or find the Lynn County Pioneers Senior Citizens Center on their facebook page. Limited space is available on the quilt.



Red bird habitat

... Tahoka Lake Pasture is a natural habitat for many species of wildlife, including a variety of birds. This Cardinal was photographed by Donna Chafin. The northern cardinal is so well loved that it has been named the official bird of no fewer than seven U.S. states. Cardinals, also called "redbirds," do not migrate. Only males sport the brilliant red plumage for which their species is known. Cardinals are active songbirds and sing a variety of different melodies. (PHOTO BY Donna Chafin)

Poka Lambro to host annual meeting March 28

Poka Lambro Telephone Cooperative, Inc. is set to host their 62nd Annual Membership Meeting on Thursday, March 28, at Poka Lambro's main business office located 11.5 miles north of Tahoka, on US Hwy 87.

Member registration will begin at 11:00 a.m. followed by lunch at 12:00 noon. The business meeting will begin at 1 p.m.

Meeting highlights will include the election of directors for Districts 2 and 6, the reports of officers and directors and the presentation of Poka Lambro Scholarships. All Poka Lambro Telephone Cooperative members are encouraged to attend the meeting. Members may pick up door prize cards when registering at the meeting. Members must be present to win door prizes.

For additional information contact Amy Preston at 1-800-422-2387.

I'm ready for my closeup ...
Photographer Donna Chafin zoomed in for an extremely closeup view of a grasshopper at Tahoka Lake Pasture. Owner Clyde May welcomes individuals or groups to tour the lake site, and may be contacted at 806-327-5434 or 1-888-568-7301. Student groups are also welcome.
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Anyone who owns a home on Jan. 1 and uses it as a primary residence on that date is entitled to a \$15,000 homestead exemption to lower school taxes. It doesn't matter if your home is a house, condominium or mobile home. Counties, cities and special taxing districts may also offer homestead exemptions.

Are other exemptions available?

If you're disabled—or if you're 65 years old or older—you are entitled to an additional \$10,000 school tax exemption on your home. And if you qualify for the 65 or older or disabled exemption, you're also entitled to a permanent, locked-in "ceiling" on the school property taxes on your home. The county, city or junior college may adopt a tax ceiling for 65 or older or disabled homeowners. The age 65 or older homeowners school tax ceiling transfers to the surviving spouse, if the spouse is 55 years of age or older at the time of death and lives in and owns the home. The age 65 or older homeowners (or their surviving spouses 55 years of age or older) also may transfer the percentage of school tax paid, based on their former home's school tax ceiling to a new home.

If you're a disabled veteran who receives from the Veterans Affairs (VA)—(1) 100 percent disability compensation due to a service connected disability and (2) a rating of 100 percent disabled or a determination of individual unemployment, you are entitled to an exemption from taxation of the total appraised value of your resident homestead.

Do I have to apply each year?

No. If you had a homestead exemption on your home in 2012, you won't need to reapply for 2013 unless your chief appraiser requires it. However, if you haven't received an exemption on your present home—or if you've moved to a new home—you'll need to file for an exemption for 2013. If you are 65 this year, you may file for the age 65 or older exemption up to one year after the date you turned 65. And if you became disabled, you need to file for the disabled person's exemption.

When and where should I file?

File applications before May 1 at your appraisal district office. If you need more time, contact us at:

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Or contact:
Texas Comptroller Susan Combs
Property Tax Assistance Division
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or call: 1-800-252-9121 and press "2" to access the menu and then press "1" to contact the Information Service Team.

or on the Web at: www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/proptax



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JOINT NOTICE OF SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
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COUNTY OF LYNN §
BY VIRTUE OF ORDERS OF SALE

DATED the 28th day of February, 2013, and issued pursuant to judgment decrees of the District Court of Lynn County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in the hereinafter numbered and styled causes, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on the 28th day of February, 2013, seized, levied upon, and will on the 2nd day of April, 2013, at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Tahoka, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, as provided for by the TEXAS PROPERTY TAX CODE.

All of the following properties being located in Lynn County, Texas and each property being more particularly described on an instrument recorded in the Volume and Page reference (V___/P___) or document number of the Deed Records, Lynn County, Texas. The approximate property addresses reflected herein are the addresses on the tax records and may or may not be completely accurate.

PROP #	CAUSE #	STYLE	PROP DESCRIPTION, ADDRESS, ACCT #
#1	02-04-02228	Lynn County Appraisal District v Fernando Gonzales, Sr. et al	Par #0009963, Lots 9-10, Block 77, Original Townsite to the City of O'Donnell, Lynn County, Texas (Volume 318, Page 567), Account #9963000001
#3	09-09-02491	Lynn County Appraisal District v Ernest Cruz, Jr. et al	Lots 1 and 2, Block 116, Original Townsite of O'Donnell, Lynn County, Texas (Volume 356, Page 82 of the Official Public Records, Lynn County, Texas), Account #2532000001
#4	11-03-02553	Lynn County Appraisal District v Dora De Anda et al	All of Lot 9, and the West 1/2 of Lot 10, Block 79, Original Townsite of the Town of O'Donnell, Lynn County, Texas (Volume 186, Page 220 of the Deed Records, Lynn County, Texas), Account #3417000001
#6	12-02-02586	Lynn County Appraisal District v Juanita P. Tijerina	Lot 4, Block 65, Original Townsite of the City of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas (Volume 314, Page 437), Account #11413000001
#7	12-04-02588	Lynn County Appraisal District v Philip Howard et al	Lot 9, Hiracheta Addition, City of New Home, Lynn County, Texas (Volume 371, Page 358), Account #14296000001
#8	12-06-02599	The City of Wilson, Texas v Joe A. Hernandez et al	Lots 22 and 24, Block 127, Original Townsite of the Town of Wilson, Lynn County, Texas (Vol. 319, Page 623), Account #000010300000127002200/8681000001

This sale will be conducted to satisfy the judgment(s) for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interests due on the properties described herein, and for all costs of court and sale.

I do hereby verify that true and correct copies of the foregoing Joint Notice of Sale have been delivered by United States Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, and by regular mail, to each of the Defendants named in each of the numbered and styled causes.

DATED the 28th day of February, 2013, at Tahoka, Texas.

/s/ JERRY DEE FRANKLIN (by Abraham Vega)
Sheriff, Lynn County, Texas

You may contact the attorney for the taxing units at (325) 672-4870.



Lady Leopards team ... The New Home ladies golf team placed 2nd at the Sundown Invitational Golf Tournament on Monday, March 18. Rachel Slaugh placed 2nd as an individual. Pictured from left to right are McKenzie English, Katlin Thompson, Rachel Slaugh and Haley Lehman.

Dogs play Ira, Crosbyton during Spring Break week

The Ira Bulldogs handed the Tahoka Bulldogs its first district baseball loss last Thursday afternoon in Tahoka. They pounded out 11 hits and played nearly flawless defense en route to a 13-4 victory.

The game started off with a bang as Ira plated four runs in the top of the first inning, and Tahoka added three runs of their own in the bottom half. Four walks by Ira starter, Austin Morris helped Tahoka close the gap early, with the big blow being a double by Ethan Curry.

Tahoka and Ira would both get one run apiece in the 3rd inning - Ira's coming from a triple from Jared Cotton, and Tahoka's on a double by John Ryan Barrientez and a sacrifice fly by Swade Hammonds, which plated pinch runner Anthony Martinez.

After that, Ira made a pitching change, and Tahoka was only able to get three hits the rest of the afternoon while Ira plated 8 more runs in the next two innings. They were, however, held hitless in the 6th and the 7th by Tahoka reliever, Isaiah Arce.

Crosbyton wins

Tahoka travelled to Crosbyton on Saturday afternoon for a district contest with the Crosbyton Chiefs. The game was extremely close, but in the end, Crosbyton held on for a 6-5 victory, handing the Bulldogs their 2nd district loss of the season.

Tahoka couldn't get much going at the plate early off of Crosbyton starter Rudy Garza. The tall left-hander held Tahoka scoreless through 2 innings and seemed to be cruising through the Bulldogs lineup. But in the 3rd inning Tahoka broke through, plating 2 runs. The first came solely from the feet of Kordell Baker. Baker drew a walk and proceeded to steal second and third base. The throw on the steal to third was errant, and Baker easily scored on the error. The second run came on back-to-back doubles from Ethan Curry and John Ryan Barrientez.

Tahoka gave up 2 more runs in the bottom half of the third, which made the score 6-2. Tahoka continued to claw and scratch their way back as Isaiah Arce led off the fourth with a single. He then stole second and advanced to third on a passed ball. Mikkell Garza then laid down a bunt which plated Arce, making the score 6-3. Tahoka then plated two more runs with back to back singles by Ethan Curry and John Ryan Barrientez. The singles were followed by a walk to Caelan Decker, and RBI double by Swade Hammonds, making the score 6-5.

Unfortunately, it would stay that way for the remainder of the game as both Garza continued to mow down Tahoka bat-

ters. On the other side, Ethan Curry was equally effective as he pitched 3 2/3 innings of scoreless relief, as he only gave up two hits while striking out 3.

Tahoka will look to right the ship as they take on the Ralls Jackrabbits in Tahoka on Tuesday afternoon, and follow that district game with another one in O'Donnell at noon Saturday.

What's Happening this week

IN THE AREA ...

Mar. 24: Fundraiser Brisket Dinner/Auction/Raffle, 11:30-1:30 pm at Tahoka Housing Authority Center, \$5 per plate minimum donation. Proceeds benefit HOME Ministry.

(Sr. Citizens pancake Sunday lunch, originally set for Mar. 24, has been postponed)

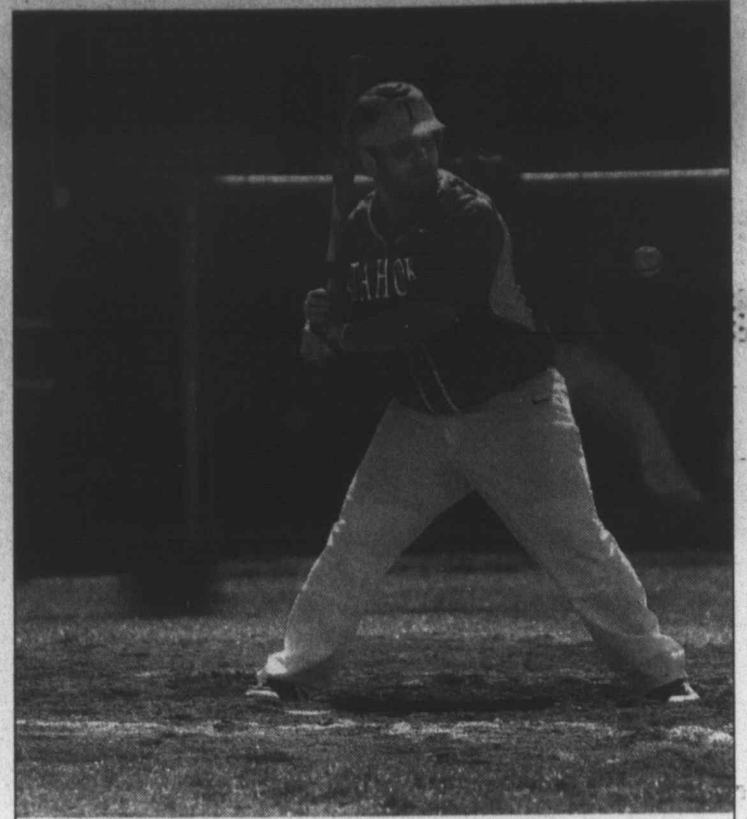
"Fake Weed" and "Fake Cocaine": Dangerous new high can damage nervous systems, cause death

Note: The following information was provided by VOICES Community Coalitions, a not-for-profit coalition of Lubbock, Hockley, Crosby, Terry, Lynn and Hale Counties.

There have been a growing number of area Head Shops and Smoke Shops opening which sell legal stuff with illegal effects. Such things as Synthetic Weed and Synthetic Cocaine are being sold to youth. These two substances are said to be "potpourri" and "bath salt" but are really illegal substances camouflaged as legal. They contain dangerous chemicals sprayed on them like MDPV, JWH-018 and others.

According to an article published by Roland Macher, Tod W. Burke, Ph.D., and Stephen S. Owens, Ph.D., they wrote that in 2011 the U.S. Department of Administration (DEA) placed five synthetic chemicals including "cannabinolhexanol" a drug that has the same affect but worse than marijuana as illegal. These products are used to coat the herbs and then sell them under fictitious names like K-2, Spice, Mr. Nice Guy, Genie and others. Fake Weed is sold as incense in smoke shops, the internet and stores where you can find incense. The high is similar to marijuana but does not last as long so the user seeks to maintain their high by consuming more and more without knowing the side effects.

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Batter up ... Tahoka's John Ryan Barrientez is at bat in district action against Ira during Spring Break, at home. Ira handed Tahoka their first district loss, but the Bulldogs are looking for a win as they travel to O'Donnell Saturday. The game will start at 12:00 noon.

What's Happening this week

IN SPORTS ...

TAHOKA SOFTBALL

Mar. 23 - at Ralls, 7 pm

TAHOKA BASEBALL

Mar. 23 - at O'Donnell, 12 noon

TAHOKA TRACK

Mar. 22 - Crosbyton Relays

Mar. 28 - Tahoka Bulldog Relays

TAHOKA GOLF

Mar. 25 - District (1st Round), at Yoakum County

O'DONNELL BASEBALL

Mar. 23 - Tahoka, 2 pm

Mar. 25 - at Borden Co., 4 pm.



Easter sunrise service... This photo was taken at T-Bar Ranch, west of Tahoka, where a Sunrise Easter Service is held every year. This year, the service will be held on March 31, at sunrise. To attend the service, drive 7 miles west of Tahoka on Highway 380 (one mile west of FM 3112), turn south, then take the very first right on the pasture road to go west approximately one mile, or until you get to the clearing. (Photo submitted by Jack Scott)

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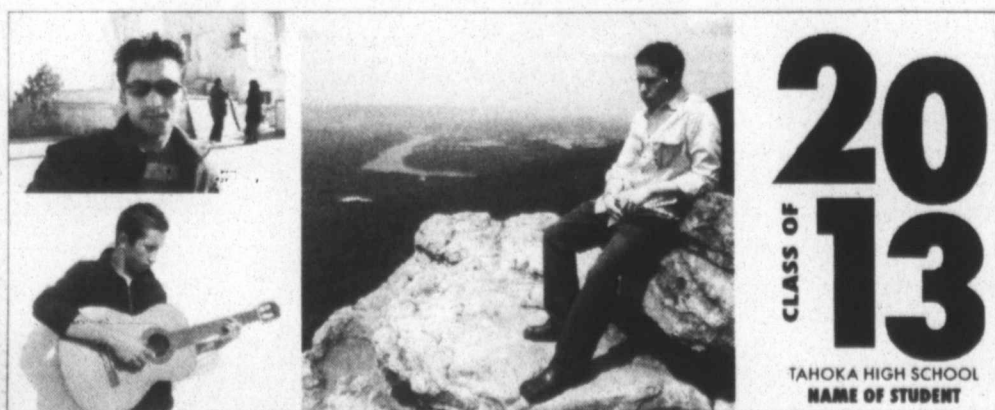
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NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT RENEWAL PERMIT NUMBER 21541

APPLICATION Farmers Cooperative Association of O'Donnell, Texas, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for renewal of Air Quality Permit Number 21541, which would authorize continued operation of the cotton gin located at 1301 South Loop 76, O'Donnell, Lynn County, Texas 79351. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application.

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The existing facility and/or related facilities are authorized to emit the following air contaminants: organic compounds, nitrogen oxides, sulfur dioxide, carbon monoxide and particulate matter including particulate matter with diameters of 10 microns or less and 2.5 microns or less.

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on January 22, 2013. The application will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, TCEQ Lubbock regional office, and the United States Post Office, 819 Doak, O'Donnell, Lynn County, Texas, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The facility's compliance file, if any exist, is available for public review in the Lubbock regional office of the TCEQ.

The executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. In addition to the renewal, this permitting action includes the incorporation of the following authorizations or changes to authorized facilities related to this permit: alterations, amendments, and permits by rule. An amendment application that is not subject to public notice or an opportunity for a contested case hearing is also being reviewed. The reasons for any changes or incorporations, to the extent they are included in the renewed permit, may include the enhancement of operational control at the plant or enforceability of the permit. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free at 1-800-687-4040. **The TCEQ may act on this application without seeking further public comment or providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.**

PUBLIC COMMENT You may submit public comments or a request for a contested case hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. **The deadline to submit public comments is 15 days after newspaper notice is published.** After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the TCEQ's jurisdiction to address in the permit process. After the technical review is complete the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If only comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments, or who is on the mailing list for this application, unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing.

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AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. If you communicate with the TCEQ electronically, please be aware that your email address, like your physical mailing address, will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free at 18006874040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from the Farmers Cooperative Association of O'Donnell, Texas, 1301 South Loop 76, O'Donnell, Texas 79351-3020 or by calling Mr. J. Kelley Green, P.E., Director of Technical Services, Texas Cotton Ginners' Association at (512) 615-1102.

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HOME ministries donation ... Hilton Wood (right) presents a \$500 donation from Hochheim Branch 9 Chapter 52 to the HOME ministries organization, represented by Roddy Gandy. "HOME Ministries in Tahoka is a group of Christian men and women who see needs in the community, and help those who for some reason cannot repair their own homes," said Wood. "Each year, Hochheim gives back money to its members. This money is then given to some organization in the community, and we chose HOME Ministries. On March 24 they will have a fundraising dinner and raffle (raffle includes the John Deere riding mower shown behind Gandy) - let's all have lunch at the community center and support this great group that is helping our community," he said.

Local farmer chooses O'Donnell VFD, County Library for \$2500 donations through Monsanto Fund program

The O'Donnell Volunteer Fire Department and Tahoka City/County Library will now be able to better serve the community, thanks to the support of local farmer, Mary Ann Russ, and America's Farmers Grow Communities.

Sponsored by the Monsanto Fund, the philanthropic arm of Monsanto Company, Grow Communities provides farmers in eligible counties the chance to win a \$2,500 donation for a local nonprofit organization of their choice. To further support counties declared natural disaster areas by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) due to drought this year, winning farmers in these counties are able to direct dou-

ble donations, a total of \$5,000. Lynn County was declared a disaster area by the USDA, giving Russ the opportunity to choose two organizations to receive \$2,500 donations. Russ selected the O'Donnell Volunteer

fire department both serve our community in different ways, each equally deserving of a \$2,500 donation," said Russ.

This year, the Monsanto Fund will invest nearly \$6 million in rural America through Grow Communities, which includes double donations for counties impacted by the historic drought. In Texas, \$395,000 is being given across 79 counties. America's Farmers Grow Communities is sponsored by the Monsanto Fund to partner with farmers in helping them positively impact their communities. This program is part of the Monsanto Fund's overall effort to strengthen rural America.

"Our library and volunteer fire department both serve our community in different ways, each equally deserving of a \$2,500 donation." - MARY ANN RUSS

Fire Department and Tahoka City County Library.

The O'Donnell Volunteer Fire Department plans to use the donation to purchase updated protective equipment, including new helmets for firefighters. The Tahoka City County Library will put the \$2,500 toward its general operating budget. "Our library and volunteer

AgTexas FCS distributes cash patronage to customers

Customers of AgTexas Farm Credit Services recently benefited from a cash patronage payment that effectively reduced their 2012 interest rate by an average of 0.65 percent, or 65 basis points. Patronage checks were distributed in early March.

The AgTexas Board of Directors declared the patronage based on the rural lending cooperative's strong financial results for 2012. This is the 19th consecutive year that AgTexas has distributed patronage to its customer-owners.

"Patronage payments help to lower the cost of borrowing from AgTexas, and they are a cornerstone of doing business with our cooperative. The fact that we have been able to share our earnings with our customers for nearly two decades proves the effectiveness of our co-op business model," said Mitchell Harris, AgTexas chief executive officer.

"We are particularly pleased that we were able to distribute checks in time to help defray farmers' spring planting expenses for 2013 crops," Harris

said. Every year, the AgTexas Board of Directors reviews the co-op's financial position and determines the amount of patronage, if any, that can be distributed to its customers, who are also the owners of the business. This year's patronage distribution totaled \$2.75 million.

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Thanks for the donation ... O'Donnell Fire Dept. members John Garces, Larry Pyron, Spencer Arthur, Jessie Perez, Ty Linker, Tim Motley and Chris Hernandez, and junior firefighter Tristen Arthur (in front) were pleased to accept a \$2500 donation for the VFD from the Monsanto Company's America's Farmers Grow Communities program through local farmer Mary Ann Russ.

Capital Farm Credit Stockholders receive \$42.1 million cash distribution

Capital Farm Credit stockholders will soon discover their portion of a record \$42.1 million patronage in their mailboxes. It represents the cash portion of the total patronage refund of \$138.2 million. The remaining \$96.1 million is in the form of allocated equities and is eligible for future cash payouts.

Capital Farm Credit, a customer-owned cooperative, posted record earnings in 2012, enabling the Association to add to its long tradition of strong earnings and patronage.

"Capital Farm Credit values its customers and the more efficiently we operate, the better we can serve future generations in agriculture," said Ben Novosad, chief executive officer. "We believe this is a value-added relationship that sets us apart from other financial institutions. Our ability to return patronage each year strengthens our mission to provide financing and related services to support Texas agriculture, and affords our membership lower net borrowing costs."

Capital Farm Credit is the

state's largest rural lender and has 95 years of experience providing financing to Texas farmers, ranchers and other rural property owners. Headquartered in Bryan, it has more than 70 offices located throughout Texas.

Physics Facts & Trivia
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The amount of water beneath our ground soil is 50 times as much as all the water in the rivers and lakes combined.

The first ten feet of the ocean hold as much heat as the Earth's entire atmosphere.

On average, our bodies constantly resist an atmospheric pressure of about 1kg per square cm.

The world's densest wood, the Black Ironwood (*Olea laurifolia*), does not float on water and therefore sinks.

Pre-plant cotton production meeting set

Area cotton producers are invited to attend a cotton meeting on March 27th. Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. and the meeting will begin at 8:15 a.m. at the New Home Coop Gin at Lakeview (8 miles West of New Home on FM 211)

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Staff and Specialists will be on hand to discuss management strategies for the 2013 Cotton Crop. Topics will include: nematode management and seedling diseases, conventional vs. transgenic cotton, weed control strategies, and Texas Department of Agriculture staff will discuss drift management and laws and regs.

Pesticide license holders will receive 3 CEU's including 1 in Laws and Regs.

Cost to attend is \$10/person. For more information, contact the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Lynn County at 806/561-4562. If you require special assistance in order to participate in this activity, please let us know by calling 806-561-4562 on or before March 25.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of BOBBY RAY JOLLY, deceased, were issued February 25, 2013 in Docket No. 2013PR00006, pending in the County Court of Lynn County, Texas, to: Mandi Duncan, Executrix.

Claims may be presented in care of the attorney for the estate, addressed as follows:

Mandi Duncan
Estate of BOBBY RAY JOLLY, Deceased
PO Box 549
Tahoka, TX 79373

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

Dated March 18, 2013.

By Mandi Duncan
Attorney and Independent Executrix
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Notice of Application for Fluid Injection Well Permit

Ommex Energy, Inc. - 7950 John T. White Road, Fort Worth Texas 76120 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the San Andres formation on the Suniland Field Unit Lease, Well Number 61.

The proposed injection well is located 3 miles southwest of Southland, in the Suniland Field, in Lynn County.

Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 3,810' to 3,828' feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792) 12-1c

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TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:
Farmers Cooperative Association of O'Donnell, Texas, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for renewal of Air Quality Permit No. 21541, which would authorize continued operation of the cotton gin located at 1301 South Loop 76, O'Donnell, Lynn County, Texas 79351. Additional information concerning this application is contained in the public notice section of this newspaper.

The Lynn County Stock Show Association
inadvertently left off the following
from our Buyer's list:
Lyntegar Electric Cooperative, Inc.
We apologize for the oversight ... we appreciate you and your generosity!

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Contact CLYDE MAY at 806-327-5434 or 1-888-568-7301
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