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**FOOTBALL SCOREBOARD:** 

Sudan 38-20 New Home Sands 60-12 Wilson O'Donnell 67-8 Meadow Post-Tahoka (L) forfeit

Tahoka

17 - Olton, 4:00, 5:00, 6:15, 7:30

13 - Littlefield, JVG 5:00, VG 6:30 17 - Idalou, 4:00, 5:15, 6:30, 8:00

O'Donnell 14 - Ira, VG 1:00

17 - at Jayton, VG 6:00 Wilson 17 - All Saints, VG 6:00

## Didyou know?

· A lion's roar can be heard from 5 miles away. To be more specific, a lion can roar as loud as 114 decibels, which is roughly 25 times louder than a gas-powered

NOV. 9 SPPHD UPDATE:

The South Plains Public Health District provided the following information of COVID-19 cases:

Lynn County total cases: 242 (29 new cases during past week) 91 Active - 147 Recovered - 4 Deaths



Date	High	Low	Precip.
Nev 3	77	40	
Nov 4	85	46	
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Nov 6	81	46	
Nev 7	79	49	
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Nov 9	83	42	

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Total Precip for Mar:	2.56"
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Total Precip for May:	2.58"
Total Precip for June:	2.32"
<b>Total Precip for July:</b>	0.46"
<b>Total Precip for Aug:</b>	0.75"
Total Precip for Sept:	0.24"
Total Procip for Oct:	0.77"
Total Precip. for 2020:	10.76"

# Sheriff, other unopposed county officials, declared elected



SHERIFF WANDA MASON

Taking the field

The O'Donnell

Eagles take the

Vargas (34)

season home

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The Eagles have

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(PHOTO by Aaron

Heath Furlow

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Several Lynn County officials were unopposed in the Nov. 3 General Election, and were listed on the ballot as Unopposed Candidates Declared Elected, without a space for voters to cast any votes by their names.

Those unopposed candidates included Lynn County Sheriff Wanda Mason, who is the first female elected as sheriff of Lynn County in its 117-year history.

Also declared re-elected for another term of office were several incumbents, including County Attorney Rebekah Filley, County Tax Assessor-Collector Donna Willis, Pct. 1 County Commissioner Matt Woodley, and Pct. 3 County

Commissioner Don Blair.

Philip Mack Furlow, District Attorney for the 106th Judicial District, which includes Lynn, Garza, Dawson and Gaines counties, was also unopposed on

the ballot, but voters could place a mark beside his name to cast a vote.

These positions are all fouryear terms that will begin Jan. 1, 2021, and officials will take the Oath of Office at that time.

# County Clerk Susan Tipton to retire, Strickland appointed to fill position

by JUANELL JONES

Lynn County Commissioners met Monday morning in their first regular bi-monthly meeting held at 9:30 a.m. in the County Courtroom at the Lynn County Courthouse, taking action on appointing someone to fill the position of county clerk at the first of the year due to retirement plans of the current clerk, and reinstating the county burn ban, among other issues.

Lynn County Clerk Susan Tipton will retire at the end of the year, submitting her letter of resignation effective Dec. 31 to Lynn County Commissioners at Monday's meeting. Commissioners voted to accept the letter of resignation, and then went into executive session for an hour to discuss an appointment to fill the position. Upon returning to open session the four commissioners unanimously named Karen Strickland to fill the position. Strickland, who currently serves as Deputy County Clerk here, will of-Clerk on January 1, 2021.



**COUNTY CLERK SUSAN TIPTON** 

Tipton has served as county clerk here for the past 21 years, and has also served as the county's election official, overseeing the elections here.

"I'm very confident that Karen will do a great job in being appointed county clerk for Lynn County," Tipton told The News Monday.

The county Burn Ban was reinficially be sworn in as Lynn County stated by order of the commission-(See BURN BAN, page 4)

# Two finalists named for Tahoka City Administrator

fter interviewing six candidates during the past week, Tahoka City Council announced two finalists at Monday night's council meeting that are being considered for the position of City Administrator.

Stephens, a Tahoka resident who is employed as a Lubbock firefighter, and Clint Gardner, a former resident of Tahoka who resides in Ovalo, TX and was formerly employed CEO/General Manager of the Coleman County Electric Cooperative in Coleman, TX. The council is expected to schedule a

The two finalists are Derek special session next Monday night to choose one finalist to fill the position that is being vacated by City Administrator Jerry Webster in January.

In other business at Monday night's meeting, the council approved a new contract with David Partlow as the director of the Tahoka Economic Development Corpo-

ration (TEDC). This is his second year to serve in that position. The TEDC had also submitted Guidelines for Filming in Tahoka, which would allow Tahoka to be listed among cities in Texas to allow filming industries to film in their cities. The guidelines were approved by the council.

An ordinance updating the service credits for employees who participate in the Texas Municipal Retirement System was approved, and monthly bills were approved. An amendment to personnel policies regarding hazard pay was also

The council considered a list of dilapidated buildings presented by Code Enforcement Officer Dale Summers, approving demolition for two locations, and allowing additional time for followup procedures by owners on two other locations. Other dilapidated buildings in the city were also discussed for the code enforcement officer to consider.

Municipal Judge Ed Smith presented information regarding possible increases in municipal court (See CITY COUNCIL, page 4)

# O'Donnell Eagles earn playoff berth in 6-Man Football

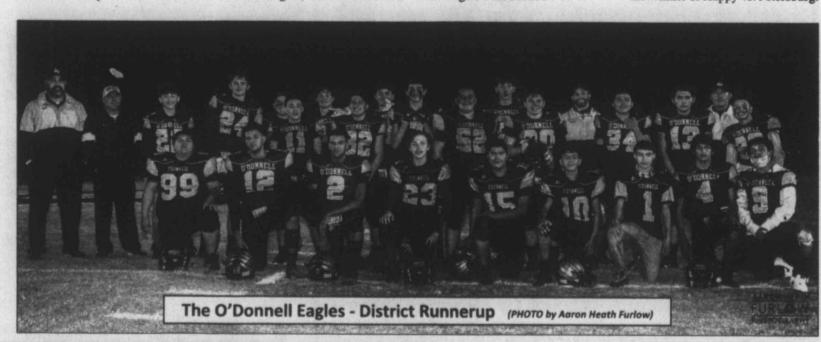
The O'Donnell High School of UIL football playoff champi-Eagles, runnerup in District 4 of 6-Man 1A Division I football, will face Knox City in the first round

onships this Friday. The game is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at Jayton.

The Eagles, 8-2 and 3-1 in dis-

trict, are the runnerup behind Borden County in District 4. In last week's final regular-season game, the Eagles beat Meadow 67-8.

Knox City, 6-2 and 4-0, is the winner of Dist. 3. The winner will advance to the next round, to play the winner of Happy vs. Petersburg.





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### **Lynn County Hospital COVID-19 Hotline** 806-561-2076

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shortness of breath or persistent pressure in chest

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bituaries



### **Audrey Bishop**

Audrey Bishop, 97, of Tahoka, passed away Sunday, November 8, 2020.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 11, 2020 at First Baptist Church in Slaton. Burial was at Englewood Cemetery in Slaton. Arrangements were under the direction of Englunds Funeral Service.

Audrey was born on February 6, 1923 in Post to Elmer and Bessie Howard. She attended schools in Post, Hackberry and Southland. She married Jack Cleo Bishop on June 9, 1940 in Post while living in Levelland. They moved to Slaton in 1976 where they were members at First Baptist Church. Audrey always lived life to the fullest and loved her family. She was a woman who stuck to her old- fashioned

Tahoka Mini Park

1600 North 1st

SATURDAY, Nov. 14

11:30 a.m.

**Until sold out** 

ways and she loved the Lord. She was simple and didn't need the finer things in life. She needed her family and her garden to be happy. She picked cotton with a sack and raised her boys right, a true testament to her toughness.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband; and her son, Jackie Bishop.

Audrey is survived by her sons, Tony Bishop and wife, D'Anne of Wilson, Darrell Bishop and his wife, Cathy of Keller, and Curtis Bishop and his wife, Sharon of Placenta, CA; her daughter-inlaw, Betty Bishop of Wilson; her brother Gerald Howard of Abilene; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and many nieces and neph-

In lieu of flowers, the family suggest memorials be made to First Baptist Church in Slaton. (PAID)



### **Llovd Davis**

Graveside services for Lloyd Davis, 79, of Lamesa were held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 7, 2020 at Dawson County Cemetery, officiated by Dennis Adams. Services are under the direction of Branon Funeral Home. Visitation was held prior to the service at Branon Funeral Home from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 7, 2020. He passed away in Lubbock, Texas on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 after a very courageous battle with cancer.

He was born on March 20, 1941 in Lamesa, Texas to parents, Elzie and Myrtle (Comer) Davis. The family lived in O'Donnell, until 1957. He grew up and attended school there, moved to Welch and graduated in 1959. He married the love of his life, Kay Driver on April 22, 1960. He was a member of the National Guard for 8 years from 1959 to 1967. His sole passion in life was farming where he worked alongside his brother Floyd for 52 years and his grandson Hayden for the last 10 years. Lloyd also served on the Board of Directors of TriCounty Producers Coop Gin in Loop, Texas (formerly Windham Coop Gin of Brownfield, Texas) for 48 years from 1972 to 2020. He had the privilege of serving alongside his grandson Hayden for the past four years. Of all his greatest qualities, Lloyd loved to talk and he loved to laugh and make others laugh. He never met a stranger. He was a man of great faith, practiced his walk with the Lord daily, and loved his family dearly. He would give the shirt off his back to help others and always put others first.

He is preceded in death by his parents, as well as a stillborn brother, Chester Lee Davis in 1938; his stillborn daughter Kristi D'Ann Davis in 1969; his twin brother Floyd Davis in 2017, and his grandson Taylor Grant Davis

He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Kay of Lamesa; son Marty Davis and wife, Sheila of Lovington, New land, Texas; granddaughter Bridgette York and husband, John of Lubbock, Texas; grandson Hayden Davis and wife, Sara of Welch, Texas; granddaughter Danielle Holdsworth and husband, Brandon of Norman, Oklahoma; and great-grandchildren Grayson. Hannah, Haylen, and Avery; brother Larry Davis and wife, Susan of Weatherford, Texas; and sister Louise Westfall and husband Richard, of Lubbock,

The family would like to express their most sincere gratitude to the men who served with Lloyd on the gin board in his final years -Randy Reid (manager), Randy Simpson, Kalith Brown, Cody Ellison, Glenn Martin, and Ricky Mills and his many lifelong friends.

Family suggests memorials to the charity of their choi

**Senior Citizens** 

**LUNCH MENU** 

November 16-20

Monday: Chicken rice cas-

serole, black eye peas, carrots,

Tuesday: Polish sausage, pin-

Wednesday: Beef stew, tur-

nip greens, black forest parfait

patty, garlic mashed potatoes,

Friday: Chicken & noodle

casserole, English peas, corn,

beets, mandarin oranges

to beans, coleslaw, peaches

fruit cocktail

applesauce

Can't catch me ... Juan Renteria (3) carries the ball for the O'Donnell Eagles as a Meadow player gives chase, in Friday night's 6-man football action. The Eagles won 67-8. (PHOTO by Aaron Heath Furlow)

from the

Find ways to be kind, de-stress To the citizens of Lynn County,

During these extraordinarily stressful times of 2020, it's time to find ways to destress, and perhaps more importantly, be kind to others.

Dr. Melanie Richburg, Chief Executive Officer at Lynn County Hospital District, said that healthcare professionals here - and actually all staff working in the medical field including physicians and nurses, EMS and first responders, lab techs, office staff and housekeeping and maintenance personnel – are all under tremendous stress trying to keep up with the demands of safely providing healthcare during these CO-VID-19 pandemic days. Take a moment to express apprecia-Mexico; son Kirk Davis and tion to our LCHD, Lynnwood, wife, Denise of Welch, Tex- EMS, Tahoka Drug, and Clin-

eryone, not just those who are overworked in the healthcare field, are living and breathing stress. Trying to undo the tension can just add more stress if you take the wrong approach. But, according to everydayhealth.com, there are many healthy, proven ways to get stress relief.

Rent a funny movie, go to a yoga class, listen to happy music, keep a journal - these proven stress relief methods work. Not only will you feel

better, but you'll be happier. Following are some tips for stress relief, from everydayhealth.com. I've also added some of my own stress relievers in italics (because I can, that's why)!

· Exercise. "Run, do some yoga, punch a bag at the gym," advises Charles Goodstein, MD, clinical professor of psychiatry at New York University School of Medicine in New York City and president of the Psychoanalytic Association of New York. Exercise is a way to manage stress that doesn't have to add to your financial woes. For example, a 20-minute walk or jog around your block can yield up to 12 hours of improved mood. The main thing is to find a physical activity that you enjoy, whether it's dancing or fly fishing.

· Socialize. Spending time (safely) with friends and family who give you a sense Thursday: Charbroiled beef of belonging, purpose, and fun may provide all the stress relief you need.

> · Write. Dedicating a period of time every day to write about a situation that is bothering you may reduce tension and give you stress relief for

the rest of the day. Keeping a journal can also help you solve problems or find positive angles amongst the stress-

· Laugh. Laughter really is the best medicine. It is proven to lower tension, and at the same time, improves blood flow and the health of your heart. Rent a funny movie, find something lighthearted to read, or visit with someone who makes you laugh, and forget about your worries for

· Take care of yourself. When tension spikes, it can be tempting to put yourself last — but prioritizing healthy eating, physical activity, relationships, and sleep is necessary if you want to avoid making your stress worse.

· Get some fresh air. If you are cooped up inside all day, take a few minutes to get outside and see the sun. A litas; granddaughter Morgan ic staff members if you see tle time in the great outdoors and husband, Chase of East- them - a kind word can do can improve your mood and help you relax. Take the dog These days it seems ev- for a walk with you, it's more fun and helps your pet destress too! Petting a dog can also lower your blood pressure, and it makes you and your dog happy.

· Be kind to yourself. Think about positive affirmations daily. Thinking negative thoughts only makes you feel bad and will increase stress. Tell yourself you are doing a good job, and believe it!

· Meditate. Practice deep breathing and meditation exercises daily, and when you feel tension rising.

· Pray. Spending time in prayer and focusing on your blessings can bring calm and lower tension. Praying for others can also keep your mind off your own worries. · Be thankful. Show-

ing thanks for your family, friends, and loved ones and being thankful for the positive aspects of your life has a calming effect. Not only does it give you perspective, it makes other people feel good, · Turn off the news. If it

makes you unhappy or stressful to watch the nightly news, turn it off, listen to music, do a jigsaw puzzle or read something light and cheerful. The news will still be here the next day, if you want to catch up.

· Call a friend. Especially for those who live alone, call a friend or family member to visit with on the phone if you can't see them in person. Make contact with another person for at least a few min-

Be kind to one another, and thank you for reading The Lynn County News!

- Juanell Jones, Editor

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When everything seems to be going against you, remember that the airplane takes off against the wind, not with it.

Obstacles don't have to stop you. If you run into a wall, don't turn around and give up. Figure out how to climb it, go through it, or work around it.

~Michael Jordan

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### Report of armed person found to be no threat to New Home school/citizens

by JUANELL JONES

A report of an armed person standing outside a residence near New Home Independent School District caused the school to go on "hold" for a brief period last week, but it turned out that officers found that the man was not a threat to citizens.

dent Shane Fiedler reportedly saw a man standing outside a residence on Main Street during the noon hour last Tuesday, Nov. 3, wearing camouflage clothing and holding some type of rifle. Due to the proximity of the man standing across the street from nearby school property, School Resource Officer Isaac Liscano immediately placed New Home ISD under a "hold" briefly until the situation was resolved. A "hold" basically means that students and staff members all go into classrooms, with no one remaining in the hallways, with classroom doors locked until the hold is lifted.

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According to Lynn County Sheriff Wanda Mason, deputies responding to the scene found that the man had already gone inside the residence when officers arrived, and was not holding a gun or threatening anyone, nor had he issued any threats previously, but had merely been standing outside with the firearm before going inside the residence. During the course of the investigation, however, the man was arrested on charges unrelated to this incident, and transported to Lynn County

Two vehicles collided at US 380 and FM 1054 at 7 p.m. last Tuesday, Nov. 3. Lynn County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) officers, DPS, Lynn County EMS, and Tahoka Volunteer Fire Dept. all responded to the scene. EMS transported one person from the scene to Lynn County Hospital for treatment of unknown injuries. No driver or vehicle information was avail-

A man driving on US 380 coming from Brownfield to Tahoka at 11:13 p.m. Nov. 3 struck a deer east of FM 1328, and called LCSO to report the incident, and said he was not injured. The vehicle was reportedly badly damaged, but was drivable.

Another deer was struck at 6:30 a.m. Nov. 8 about 3 miles north of Tahoka on US 87, with the driver reporting he was not injured. A deputy requested TxDOT to remove

the deer from the roadway. O'Donnell Volunteer Fire Dept. was paged to a location two miles south of O'Donnell on US 87 for a report of a small grass fire on the east side of the road, at 10 a.m. Nov. 2. The O'Donnell VFD also responded to a location where several cotton modules were reportedly on fire, about 1.5 miles west of US 87 on FM

2053, at 1 p.m. Nov. 4. LCSO responded to several other calls for domestic disturbances, assisting motorists, and a report of vandalism on Nov. 6 at a rural location on US 87, with the caller reporting someone had spray painted his yellow school bus

### DID YOU KNOW?

As bizarre as it sounds, basketball was originally played with a soccer ball and peach baskets, with referees having to retrieve the ball each time a player made a basket. In 1900, the string baskets we know today were introduced to the game and, later, backboards were attached to prevent spectators from blocking a shot.

during the night.

The Game Warden responded to a call reporting two men possibly illegally hunting on private property off of FM 400 on Nov. 7, but an investigation resulted in the Game Warden reporting the men were legally hunting.

Tahoka Police responded New Home Superinten- to an accident in the 1600 block of Ave. O at 4 p.m. Nov. where a cotton stripper owned by Valton Stephens and driven by Martin Rosas apparently caught on some overhead telephone lines and pulled down several poles in a nearby alley, requiring repairs.

Police responded to a domestic assault in the 1300 block of Ave. F at 2 p.m. Nov. 7, where a woman was transported by Lynn County EMS for treatment of unknown injuries, and a male was arrested for assault and a protective order placed against him.

Tahoka Police responded to other calls during the week, including a domestic disturbance, a report of a fire on the side of the street in the 1800 block of N. 1st at 11:21 p.m. Nov. 5 (police were unable to locate any fires), a funeral escort, assisting EMS, and other

Incarcerated at Lynn County Jail during the past week were one for driving while intoxicated, one for evading arrest with a vehicle, one for public intoxication, one for possession of drugs in a drug-free zone, one for assault, five for possession of drugs, and one for possession of drug paraphernalia.



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### New Home Happenings by Denise Sherrod

The large roll-off dumpster is empty and ready for more discards by those who pay a dumpster fee. Please make sure that your items are not sticking out the top of the roll-off because the dumpster must be covered before it can be hauled off and emptied.

The Blessing Box, sponsored by the Lady Leopards basketball team, is still at City Hall and could really be vital this winter. Like it not, Covid-19 cases are increasing, and some people may find it harder to make it to the grocery store. Those of us who can safely shop can sure make some lives less stressful by keeping it supplied with canned and boxed foods, cleaning supplies, and the always valuable toilet paper. I keep forgetting about the Blessing Box, so my other three fingers are pointing back at me. I will get some stuff down there TODAY.

Speaking of our mutual friend, Rona Virus, she is still hanging around and doing good for no one. Please continue or start to follow mitigation strategies such as washing your hands till they bleed (Cerave lotion or cream to the rescue!), wearing that &^%\* mask (nobody likes it-do it, anyway), and staying in your bubble. Yeah, it's not fair. Didn't your daddy tell you that's how life is? Mine sure did. I just think about my great-grandparents who were raising their kids in the last big pandemic, the 1918 Spanish Flu. People masked up then, towns shut their borders, and they finally got out to the other side of that infection.

The kids who survived that ordeal raised their kids during WWII, and the nation again rallied to beat a common enemy. Are we not able to pull ourselves together and endure some discomfort most recent ancestors kicking mask straps, cover both my my right to browse aimlessly

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Antonia Gutierrez Retiring after 15 years of service Iglesia Bautista Getsemani Church



Antonia Gutierrez has been secretary/treasurer for the Iglesia Bautista Getsemani Church in Tahoka for 15 years and is retiring. The church would like to express to her how much she was appreciated for her honesty, truthfulness and faithfulness that she has given to the church through the years. Her service to the church was not necessarily out of monetary interest, but for the one who paid it all at the cross, for the people and the love of her church. She has been a true servant for people of the church and community. Thank you, Brother Morris for your support. Thank you Antonia for your service to the church.

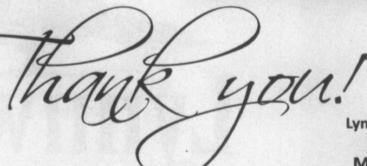
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This special week offers numerous opportunities to bring recognition to the Nurse Practitioner role and increase awareness of the exceptional care they provide.

To our Lynn County Hospital District Nurse Practitioners ...



**Lynn County Hospital District Chief Executive Officer** MELANIE A. RICHBURG DNP,FNP,RHCEOC





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**ANAIS MOLINA - FNP-C Family Wellness Clinic** 



KIM BILLINGSLEY - FNP LCHD



**CYNDE SCHNIEDER- FNP-C** O'Donnell/Gail Clinic



**CHELSEA ACUNA - FNP-C Fast Track** 



**ASHLEY SCRABANEK- FNP-C Fast Track** 

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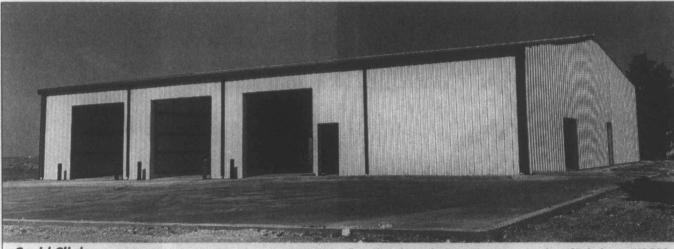
**Lynn County** Farm Bureau

### **Lynn County Area Gins BALE COUNT** (reported 11-10-20)

Texas Star Coop Gin	.25,077
New Home Coop, Lakeview	16,195
Wells Coop Gin	7,292
Farmers Coop #1, Tahoka	5,554
Farmers Coop, O'Donnell	3,045
Woolam Gin, O'Donnell	2,504
Garlyn Gin	1,589
TOTAL BALES	61,256

### Did you know?

- The Guinness World Record for the time longest spent searching for the Loch Ness Monster, is held by Steve Feltham who camped at Loch Ness for 25 years.
- "Tsundoku" is a Japanese word for the habit of buying too many books, letting them pile up in your house, and never reading them.



Covid Clinic ... Progress continues on LCHD's new COVID Drive-Thru Clinic being built on the western edge of Tahoka, on US 380 just west of the hospital, with interior work now underway in the new building. The Drive-Thru Clinic is expected to be in operation by the end of this year. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

Masks to be enforced inside THS gym...

# Covid restrictions in place for basketball season here

asketball season is underway, and Tahoka ISD Superintendent Dick Van Hoose and Athletic Director Stephen Overstreet have released information regarding ticket sales, mask requirements, and some changes to accommodate sanitizing the gym and foyer between JV and Varsity games that will require spectators to leave the premises briefly.

The following information has that payment to enter the JV been provided by Tahoka ISD. **Tickets** 

Just like in football, the gym capacity is at 50% which means there is a total of 200 tickets available for all home games. TISD will follow a very similar pattern as we did in football with a few be handed no more than 4 adjustments. We will begin this process next Tuesday, November 17th as we host Olton.

Middle School: Middle School games will be just like it has always been and you will pay to get in at the door. No Pre-Sale tickets, payment will be taken at the door just like in years past.

JV: JV tickets will follow the same format as the MS and you will just pay as you come in the door. Please note home and away.

games is only valid for JV games being played that night and does not entitle you to

Varsity contest. Varsity: Each player will vouchers which will be used to purchase tickets at the gate. If you don't have the voucher at the gate you will NOT be allowed to enter the gym. These 4 vouchers will be

given to all Varsity Girls and

Boys players to hand out to

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entry into the Varsity contest.

Please see below for how you

can obtain admission into a

Vouchers: Please note as we move into district play you will be given a wrist band that will serve as your voucher to purchase tickets at gates both

Any vouchers / wristbands make this transition is for that week's contest.

**Gym Sanitizing** 

JV boys game, the gym and foyer must be cleared of all spectators to allow for our custodial staff to disinfect and sanitize these areas before we allow anyone to reenter the gym. Once we have sanitized in our home facilities. the gym and are ready to again open the doors, please remember that you will only be allowed to enter if you have a voucher or wristband. This is to ensure that we are maintaining our 50% capacity max and safely following all UIL and District rules.

all gyms within the district vary so tickets to some places may be hard to obtain.

Masks enforced

With us making the transition indoors, mask will be even more important than before. TISD will strictly enforce the wearing of masks at all times during any contest unless you are actively consuming food. Failure to comply or repeated attempts to ask for compliance, will result in you being removed from the gym immediately and subject to further penalty by TISD.

Please understand that the only way we can safely

that aren't used will then be everyone to do their part. Our sold at the Harvick on a first kids deserve the right to play come first serve basis prior to a whole season and wearing a mask at all times while in the gym isn't a hard request At the conclusion of the to follow to help maintain that

Please note these same guidelines about mask may not be enforced at all facilities, but will be strictly enforced by TISD for all contests held

### City Council ...

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fines, due to increases from the state, and landfill hours were discussed.

Councilman Ray Box, Please note capacity for Mayor Pro-Tem, led the meeting due to the absence of Mayor John Baker. All council members present including the newest member, Courtney Stennett, who was sworn in to office last Thursday prior to one the interview sessions with candidates for city administrator, Ryan Curry, Shiloh Braddock, and Ronny

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Burn ban ...

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ers at the meeting, effective Nov. 9 for another 90-day period. The burn ban had recently been lifted for a short period of time, but after some discussion it was decided to reinstate the ban, effective immediately, through Feb. 7, 2021. Anyone who burns outdoors during a burn ban is committing a Class C Misdemeanor and can be issued a fine of up to \$500 for the offense of "Violate County Order-Burn Ban", according to county officials, who say that violators will be prosecuted.

In other business in Monday's session, commissioners approved a Local Disaster Declaration for Lynn County, which will activate the Lynn County Emergency Management Plan. The disaster declaration is due to the Oct. 27 winter ice storm damage causing extensive power outages, from broken powerlines, cross arms, and poles. The disaster declaration will allow electric cooperatives affected by the disaster to apply to qualify for reimbursement of funds expended in making repairs.

No action was taken on an agenda item regarding approval of Preliminary Plats for County Line Estates, a new subdivision planned in the far northern region of Lynn County, at a location at CR 1 and CR L. Commissioners declined to take action, awaiting further information on the

Commissioners went into a second executive session for approximately 30 minutes to consult with an attorney regarding County Road Nora, but took no action on this issue upon returning to open

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

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m. County Judge Mike Braddock led the meeting with all four commissioners present, including Matt Woodley, John Hawthorne, Don Blair and Larry Durham.

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November 3	Odessa (Scrimmage)	O'Donnell	0	5:00
November 6	Ralls	O'Donnell	0	4:30
November 10	Tahoka -	Tahoka	0	5:00
November 14	Ira	O'Donnell	G	1:00
November 17	Jayton	Jayton	G	6:00
November 20	Meadow	Meadow	ысв	5:00
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December 11	Whiteface	Whiteface	bGB	5:00
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January 12	Southland*	O'Donnell .	gB	5:30
January 15	Crosbyton*	Crosbyton	bGB	5:00
January 19	Wilson*	O'Donnell	bGB	5:00
January 22	Lorenzo*	O'Donnell	bGB	5:00
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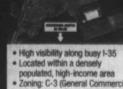
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All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the following within the time and in the manner prescribed by law: Lori Truitt, Attorney at Law, 2529 74th Street, Lubbock, TX 79423.

DATED the 6th day of November, 2020.

Lori Truitt, State Bar No.: 24066216 **Attorney for Rachel Lehman Vega** 2529 74th Street Lubbock, TX 79423 Email:ltruitt@tpaynelaw.com Telephone: (806) 368-8712 Facimile: (806) 731-1502

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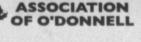
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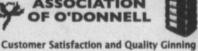
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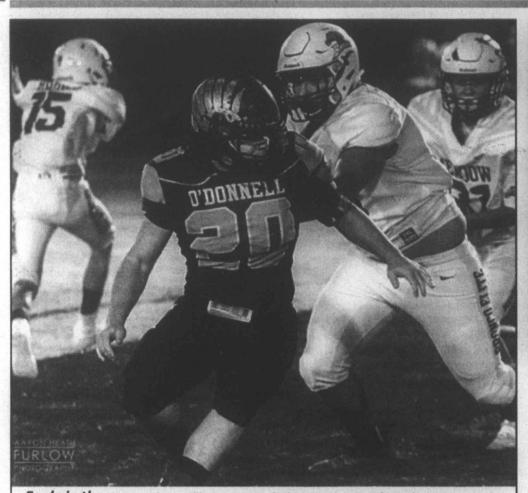
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Eagle in the way ... O'Donnell's Byron Lowe (20) gest in the way of Meadow runner, in the last regular game of the season at the Eagles' home field Friday night. The Eagles advance to the (PHOTO by Aaron Heath Furlow) playoffs this week, playing Knox City at Jayton.

### **Bulldogs wrap up a very uncertain 2020 s**

ended their 2020 football sea- lieve that I made the right decison with a forfeit to Post last sion. Friday, due to several players being under quarantine (one testing positive for Covid and others due to exposure). It was a disappointing end to the season for the Bulldogs, who started out with wins early on but were unable to get anything in the win column in a very uncertain 2020 season.

Head Coach Stephen Overstreet said this week that despite the challenges and some of the disappointing outcomes, job. However, the speed, intenhe is proud of how his team faced the challenges each Friday night is so much more week.

be able to describe how the 2020 season went for the Bulldogs. We started this thing on football areas as well. This against Plains. We preached to the kids daily to take it one day at a time because nothing Deal who have both played for was promised. Obviously with the State Championship the COVID and the way in which last two years. These kids did it effected our community we do a lot of growing up and had not only dealt with the possi- to in order to compete each bilities of losing games daily, but we lost the most important and crucial time a team has and that's an offseason and a summer. Teams across the state lost the Spring and the ability to work then, but Summer was a little different for us

as well," Overstreet recalled. "We started about two weeks later than everyone else because we had that COVID scare early on. With the seriousness of the virus and the way it impacted our community I felt like being safe was better than being sorry. I know that wasn't a popular decision and many people even from within questioned why, especially when other people in the county had gyms and weight rooms open. All I know is my job is to protect and look out for the best interest of the Tahoka Bulldogs and Lady Bulldogs. When the local health officials, vise you to do something you Looking back, and knowing This was a year that went even

what I know today, I still be-

"I knew that with the young group of kids that we had coming and losing out on how much time we lost in the Spring that we would be behind. We lost a Senior class last year that started over 35 varsity football games. They had been through the gauntlet of a tough district schedule and an schedule they had spent countless hours during the offseason and summer getting better. This group played on our JV last year and did an excellent sity, and level of execution on a than what you see on Thurs-"Words will never truly days. These guys had to learn on the fly and try and catch up along the way in the other nonrealignment came out and you see the likes of Post and New Friday night.

"Adversity is something life throws at you all the time. Normally you get something thrown your way, you handle it and then something else comes up later on. This year wasn't that way at all even from day one. We started the season with 23 guys in shorts and helmets and even half way through day one we got down to 22. We didn't have a single day from August 3rd until this past Tuesday in which we had everyone in uniform and available to play. Between injuries, COVID, weather, and general sickness this was like an adversity snowball fight. Kids played multiple positions sometimes even in the same game. We moved them around and we had to change things that we do both offensive and defensively just to play each week. We had coaches having who are great I might add, ad- to practice in key spots to give our guys a scout look, we even go with it. When we did get had to use injured kids to stand started with workouts we did in places just to allow us to see things outside and never went what formations or defenses inside the weight room or gym. our opponents would be in.

beyond what you could possibly imagine from an adversity perspective. You add adversity on top of inexperienced youth and you're still able to finish says a whole lot about what these kids are made of.

"With the adversity in which they had to handle and showing the flashes in games that we did, I know they have it in them. So you take that and add an offseason to it, and brighter days are ahead for the Bulldogs. We started offseason at 7am Monday morning and are going to follow that format the rest of the year. We still face uncertainty each day so we are going to continue to work to get better each and every day. We will be lifting four days a week for the offseason kids and three days a week with our basketball August 3rd and had no idea if district is a really tough one kids. This is going to be done we would see our first game to have to do that, when this all together every morning so we continue to build our team chemistry. These guys have to pay the price together in order to overcome the adversity of the future. If you have sweated together, failed together, you're more likely to overcome together and that is exactly what we are aiming for.

"This won't be a fun year of offseason because we aren't satisfied about the results. However, we understand and will embrace it with our heads up and shoulders back. The game of life is tough as well. These young men have the makings to be excellent husbands and fathers one day. Our job as coaches is to push them and make them understand that breaking is not an option. Life will make you stretch and bend but it can never break you. Paying the price each day and seeing that when you're backed into a corner that you never quit will not only improve on the results on the athletic fields but set you up to be a Champion in the game of life.

"I am super proud of and love these kids tremendously. Some of them had to experience the tough love aspect this year, but man through it all they never quit. People will never fully understand what we all went through this season, even if you've read this far. It's easy to sit in the stands and question or make comments about plays or games, but just like in our own lives don't judge until you've stood in our shoes. Our kids showed up every day and put on a pair of shoes that wasn't always their own. They started to see and somewhat understand that they play for something bigger than themselves.

"As challenging of a year as it was for all of us, the 2020 Bulldogs embraced a mighty challenge. To each of these young men who are a part of my family I say this - I love you and I will hold my head up and stick my chest out and proudly say that I was the coach of the 2020 Tahoka Bulldogs!" Over-- from the Snyder News street stated.

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Gaylon and Deborah Boyd have decided to open the drivein at 3801 Brick Plant Road to create a retro drive-in movie

theater, which will show movies beginning this weekend. "When I was in high school, I was the manager of the Tiger Drive-In, and I like movies, so we just decided that we wanted to ad a drive-in movie theater," Gaylon Boyd said. "We had all the land already right next to the RV park off of Brick Plant Road, so I thought, 'Hey, I bet we can do this'."

Boyd said the drive-in would be open every Friday and Sat-

urday, and movies will begin at dusk.

\*From October 1 to March 31, you can call us 7 days a week from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. From April 1 to September 30, you can call us Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. A messaging system is used after hours, weekends, and on federal holidays.

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