

Homerun ...

The Bulldog baseball squad congratulates Grant Tekell (15) as he jumps onto home plate after his homerun in Tahoka's recent game against Post. Tahoka won 12-6, handing Post their only loss for the season. (Photo courtesy of Kim Tipton)

The Bulldogs now head to the playoffs, and will play Floydada in Bi-District Friday night at Lubbock Cooper High School field. Game 1 starts at 5 p.m., and Game 2 will follow. Game 3, if needed, will be Saturday at 11 a.m. (See story inside)

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Mother's Day will be Sunday, May 14!

Blood Drive set at LCHD on Tuesday

Lynn County Hospital will host a Blood Drive next Tuesday, May 9, from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. The Bloodmobile will be in the hospital parking lot, ready for donors to volunteer.

To make an appointment, call Kathy Grant at LCHD, phone 998-4533 ext. 333, or call (800) 333-6920, or log on to www.bloodhero.com and use sponsor code: lynn. No appointment is necessary, however.

What's Outside

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Apr 25	92	51	
Apr 26	88	52	
Apr 27	68	46	
Apr 28	88	46	
Apr 29	84	47	0.02"
Apr 30	51	36	0.15"
May 1	64	37	

(Precipitation/temps measured as of 8 a.m. on date reported, for the previous 24-hr period)

Total Precip for Jan:	2.51"
Total Precip for Feb:	1.16"
Total Precip for Mar:	0.21"
Total Precip for Apr:	2.88"
Total Precip for May:	0"
Total Precip. for 2017:	6.76"

Citizens call Sheriff's Office to report loud roaring noise here

by JUANELL JONES

The Lynn County Sheriff's Office received several calls from Tahoka citizens wondering about the noise of a roaring sound and smelling natural gas last Thursday, but there was no cause for alarm. The One Oak Gas Co. was reportedly blowing out a gas line at their substation on Hwy. 380 just west of the Tahoka city limits, for maintenance purposes.

O'Donnell Volunteer Fire Department responded to a call at 4:11 p.m. last Thursday, putting out a small grass fire behind the rodeo grounds in

O'Donnell.

Tahoka Police arrested a 25-year-old O'Donnell man on Wednesday night, April 26, after pulling over the man driving a vehicle with expired registration near a convenience store here. He was charged with possession of narcotics and drug paraphernalia, driving while license invalid and expired registration, issued a citation for open container, and was also discovered to have three active warrants from Lynn County Sheriff's Office, for driving while license invalid, failure to appear, and seat belt violation.

A 24-year-old Tahoka male was arrested on charges of driving while license invalid on Friday night, April 28, after an officer observed the man driving a vehicle that veered into an oncoming lane on Lockwood. The driver was charged with no driver's license and failure to drive in a single lane, and the car was impounded, as a passenger, identified as the driver's girlfriend, also had no valid driver's license.

During the month of April, Sheriff's Office Communications staff processed 258 calls, including 104 for

Lynn County, 87 for City of Tahoka, 31 for Lynn County EMS, 19 for Animal Control, 10 for City of O'Donnell, and 7 for fire departments in the county.

Lynn County Jail held 41 inmates last week, including 16 for Ector County, 7 for Dawson, and 18 for Lynn County. Local charges included one for driving while intoxicated, one for Application to Revoke Probation for possession of a control substance/cocaine, two for possession of drug paraphernalia, one for Application to Revoke Probation for theft, and one for no/expired drivers license.

NATIONAL HOSPITAL WEEK 2017

Tahoka, Lynn County, fortunate to have services of Lynn County Hospital District

by JUANELL JONES

A hospital is more than a place where people go to heal – it is a part of the community that fosters health and represents hope. From providing treatment and comfort to the sick, to providing emergency care, to promoting wellness and physical fitness, the Lynn County Hospital and its umbrella facilities are central to a healthy and optimistic community. During National Hospital Week, May 7-13, tell those at Lynn County Hospital District (LCHD) how much they are appreciated for the compassionate and professional services they provide their community.

The theme of the 2017 National Hospital Week is "The Healing Heart of Healthcare." National Hospital Week, first and foremost, is a celebration of people – the members of the board of directors, physicians, and every member of the hospital staff, as well as the staff of LCHD's umbrella facilities, including Lynn County Hospital, Lynn County EMS, Lynnwood Independent & Assisted Living Center, the Family Wellness Clinic and Fitness Center in Tahoka, LCHD Clinic in O'Donnell, and Tahoka Drug.

Lynn County Hospital is one of only a few independent small hospitals that is run by a local, elected Board of Directors, and Tahoka and Lynn County are fortunate to enjoy the professional healthcare provided by the hospital and its other facilities.

In all, LCHD employs approximately 130 staff, many of whom live right here in Lynn County. These people play an important role in providing a sense of trust to their patients and to their communities, and National Hospital Week provides an opportunity for this community to let them know

how much they are appreciated.

Have an emergency and need an ambulance? It's likely you will know one or more of the EMS crew that responds (See HOSPITAL APPRECIATION WEEK, page 3)



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Did you know?



Did you know the word 'uncopyrightable' is the only 15 letter word that can be spelled without repeating any letter.



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Congratulations!

to **Shae Rodriguez** for being our **Shining Star** for the month of April.



She has been employed at Lynnwood for two years and is a medication aide. Shae loves working at LCHD and says, "It is like working with family!" Shae has three children, Traven, Alyssa and Jon Dylan. She loves going to cycling class and attending her kids' many functions.



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Obituaries



Wanda Caswell

Wanda Jean Caswell, 86, of Woodrow, went to be with her Lord and Savior on Monday, May 1, 2017, while surrounded by her loved ones. Memorial services will be held on Thursday, May 4, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. at United Methodist Church in Woodrow with Pastor Joseph Fly officiating. Visitation will be Thursday at 1:00 p.m. at the church.

Born in O'Donnell, on December 14, 1930, Wanda was the daughter of Wallace and Myrtle Huffhines. She attended O'Donnell High School and Tarleton State College. Wanda married Bryan Jean McLaurin in 1950, O'Donnell, Texas. They raised their five children in O'Donnell where they farmed cotton. He died in 1979. Wanda married Noel Caswell of Woodrow in 1984.

She was preceded in death by her parents; first husband; infant daughter, Judy Lynn McLaurin in 1952; son, Paul

Jean McLaurin in 1974; and daughter-in-law, Janet Caswell in 2006.

Wanda is survived by her husband, Noel Caswell of Woodrow; children, David McLaurin and wife Charlotte of Lubbock, Ann Johnson and husband Cliff of Childress, Amy Moore and husband Jearld of Wolfforth, Jon McLaurin and wife Diane of Lubbock; step-children, Bobby Caswell and wife Debbie of Hewitt, Kathy Anderson and husband Charles of San Angelo, Jimmy Caswell of Pampa, and Linda McMurry and husband Mike of Lubbock; 18 grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren.

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



Frances "Fran" Yvonne Brookshire

Frances "Fran" Yvonne Brookshire, 82, of Tahoka passed from this earth April 30, 2017. Fran was born April 2, 1935 in Draw, to Buck and Olive Martin. She married Charles Brookshire May 3, 1953. Fran was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Tahoka and loved church work and had a gift of bringing happiness to all she came in contact with. She was very proud of her church and the many close friends she had there and in Tahoka. Fran worked in the home to take care of her family and also had a successful career at the First National Bank for twenty years.

Fran was preceded in death by Charles, her parents and two brothers, Dan and Benny

Rivas named Outstanding Agri-Techsan

Dane Rivas, a sophomore at Texas Tech University-Animal Science Major was named the "Outstanding Agri-Techsan for 2016-2017" for his dedicated service to the organization on April 20, at the TTU College of Ag Sciences and Natural Resources (CASNR) - "Ag Honors" banquet. His minor is Pre-Nursing.

Agri-Techsans are a select group of undergraduates who assist with recruiting for and promoting the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources (CASNR) and Texas Tech University. Only outstanding students are considered. Students must be enthusiastic about Texas Tech and CASNR, and will take an active and responsible part in the organization, and maintain their GPA while devoting time and lots of energy to promoting CASNR.

Rivas is a Tahoka High School graduate and the son of Mike and Paige Rivas of Tahoka.

Martin.

Survivors include a daughter, Sheree and her husband Dean Rogers of Lago Vista, Texas; a son, Wynn of Dallas; three grandsons, Chris, Wes and Ward; three great-grandchildren, Trevin, Collin and Lili.

Visitation will begin at 1:00 p.m. with family receiving friends at 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Thursday May 4, 2017 at Combest Family Funeral Homes, Tahoka. Services will be held at 10:00 a.m. Friday, May 5, 2017 at First United Methodist Church in Tahoka with interment to follow at Nevels Memorial Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the First United Methodist Church of Tahoka or the charity of your choice.

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

May is **MOTORCYCLE Awareness Month** "Share the Road" and look twice!



Agri-Techsan... Texas Tech University sophomore, Dane Rivas (right) of Tahoka, was named the "Outstanding Agri-Techsan for 2016-2017" for his dedicated service to the organization. Presenting the award is Jack Clark, VP of the TTU CASNR Ag Council.

Woodwork

(Reprinted from the past) Dalton Wood

MOST PEOPLE function better at certain times of the day than at other times, and your level of efficiency varies according to what you're doing, according to an article I was reading recently.

The first thing you should do in a day is get up. The article didn't mention this, but it still is important. As you get older, just getting up is a triumph of sorts. I have reached the age when you know it's not going to be too bad a day if you can get up at all.

Anyway, the article said you should "budget your energy," and whenever possible, schedule even your conversations in advance, dividing the day into three energy periods.

My wife does that. I'll mention something about 8 p.m. and she will say, "I can't talk about that right now. We can discuss it later." (Like at 9 a.m. two weeks from next Tuesday).

The magazine article had suggestions for the type of things to deal with in each third of the day. In the first third of the day, it is suggested that you schedule "important interactions that are easy to deal with." Energy, it said, is usually at its highest in this period, "but you may be distracted by previous events, such as traffic delays."

(This could be a problem if you work in Lubbock, but around here it's minimal, even if all 10 cars are in town at once).

The middle third of the day supposedly is when "listening energy will still be high and concentration easy. Handle critical issues then."

The last third of the day is "when energy is at its lowest, and you may be distracting by upcoming obligations. Spend this time on low-priority, non-controversial topics."

If someone you know follows these rules, you quickly can determine how important they consider your conversations with them.

The article also said if certain people drain your energy, schedule face-to-face meetings with them for your high-energy times, "or use written messages or e-mail instead."

Better yet, maybe you should just mail them a postcard saying "Please don't bug me about anything at any time. If I need to talk to you, I will let you know."

MY COUSIN'S wife (cousin-in-law?) in California claims to have seen the following in the help wanted section of a newspaper:

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My Ideal Protein Journey By Pete Paniagua

I made my decision that I needed to take control of my obesity on September 15th, 2016. My wife had just bought me a new Texas Tech Lounge Chair, and she teased me that if I gained any more weight, I would not be able to sit in it. At the time I tilted the scales at 239 lbs. Although there was room for more pounds in the chair, once I sat in the new chair, I had a very difficult time getting out of it, and back on solid ground.

I knew I had to do something, but what? I had tried a couple of times to lose weight... even went to the gym two or three times per week. It wasn't my lack of inactivity as much as it was that I ate all the wrong types of foods. Instead of trying harder, the only extra effort I put out was reaching for that second helping of mashed potatoes!

One day, I arrived to work and felt flushed. Since I work at the Specialty Clinic, I asked Denise, our nurse at the time, to check my blood pressure. It had skyrocketed at 182/95. My blood sugar level was 1 number away from full blown diabetes. I knew I was in trouble. She advised me to contact my doctor for a complete evaluation.

The next day, I contacted my family doctor, and scheduled a complete physical. He did not like my readings, so he referred me to a Cardiologist, who referred me to a sleep specialist. Turned out I was also suffering from sleep apnea--no wonder I felt so sleepy in the afternoons!

My turning point came when I had to begin sleeping with a CPAP mask/machine. After about a month, I made the decision that I did not want to spend the rest of my life sleeping with an uncomfortable mask, just so that I could gorge on every kind of food imaginable.

It seems that after I made my decision to get serious about losing weight, the Lord answered my prayers. The Hospital asked for volunteers to sign up for a pilot program for some new diet that they wanted to bring to our patients. I quickly volunteered, and found out it was called the Ideal Protein Diet.

I began my diet journey officially on October 12th, 2016, and set a goal of dropping 50 pounds, down to 185 pounds. All during the time I was on the diet, I did not go hungry. The foods we got to eat were not only healthy, but tasted good. It seemed like the weight just started melting off. My energy level increased dramatically, and even my knees began to feel so much better.

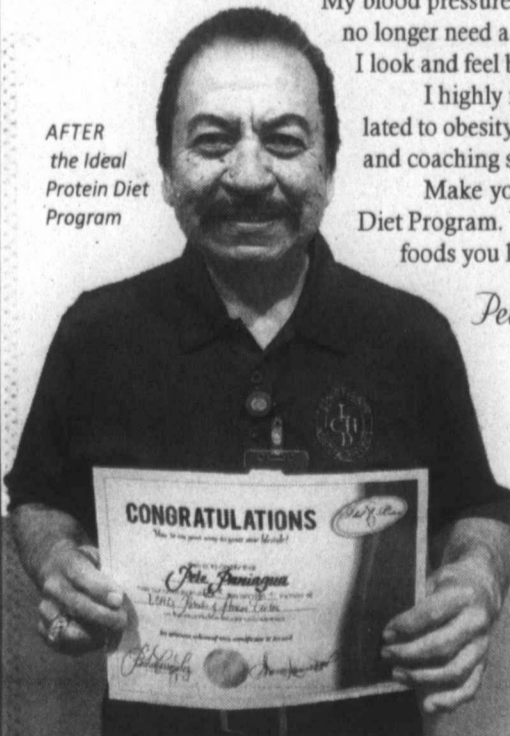
On April 12th, 2017 I completed and graduated from the Ideal Protein Diet Program. Altogether I came down from a whopping 239 pounds and a 48 inch waist down to 170 pounds and a 34 inch waist. I had surpassed my original goal of 185 pounds, primarily because I wanted my BMI (Body Mass Index) to drop to normal, and my knees felt better and better with every extra pound I dropped.

My blood pressure dropped from the 182/95 down to 115/70. My blood sugar levels are now normal, and I no longer need a CPAP machine. My wife loves it, as she now gets a good night sleep without my snoring. I look and feel better than I have in years.

I highly recommend this program for anyone that is suffering from obesity, or any health issues related to obesity. The program is well structured, and you have support from day one. You even get recipes and coaching second to none, to help you along the way.

Make your decision today, and invest what you normally spend eating out into the Ideal Protein Diet Program. Your life will change, and once you complete the program, you will again be able to eat the foods you like, but the difference is as they say: "I will eat to live, not live to eat!"

Pete M. Paniagua



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Hospital Appreciation Week ...

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so quickly when called.

Going to the ER? You will be tended to quickly and compassionately, and in a manner that makes you appreciate the calm and efficient care received here.

Have an appointment with one of LCHD's doctors or family nurse practitioners? You will be greeted by name, treated with respect, and have an opportunity to visit with your healthcare professionals about your treatment.

Need to fill a prescription? LCHD staff will fill that for you at Tahoka Drug, the only facility providing pharmaceutical services in Lynn County, saving you a trip elsewhere to fill your prescriptions.

Need to go to the hospital?

The Lynn County Hospital is a small but well-staffed center that provides friendly, professional care during your hospital stay. The hospital also offers Swing Bed services, for those who have been discharged from the hospital but still need assisted care and are unable to get that care at home. It is a popular service offered here, providing healthcare for a family member who is not yet ready to care for themselves at their home.

Looking for assisted living? Lynnwood Independent & Assisted Living Center offers a home for those needing assistance, with caring and friendly staff, and they are located adjacent to the hospital, which offers

fast access to other healthcare if needed.

Interested in physical fitness or need the services of rehabilitation following a medical procedure? LCHD's Fitness and Rehab Center can offer those services, and their modern facilities are located right here in town for easy access.

All in all, LCHD is a vital part of the Tahoka and Lynn County community, and those providing these services are, in many instances, our family members or friends and neighbors. Truly they provide "The Healing Heart of Healthcare," and for that we as a community are grateful.

First Bank & Trust will be providing a hamburger meal for LCHD staff next Thursday, to show their appreciation during National Hospital Week.



LYNN COUNTY HOSPITAL DIETARY STAFF

Senior Citizen's Menu

May 8-12

Monday: Pork chop, black eye peas, spinach, baked apple slices

Tuesday: Liver & onions, scalloped potatoes, carrots, coleslaw, white cake, trop. fruit

Wednesday: Lasagna, garlic bread, brussels sprouts, pears

Thursday: Crumb topped fish, garlic roasted potatoes, peas, watermelon, choc. pudding

Friday: Crispy chicken on bun, potato wedges, carrot & raisin salad, fruit cocktail

Elections to be held Saturday for four races

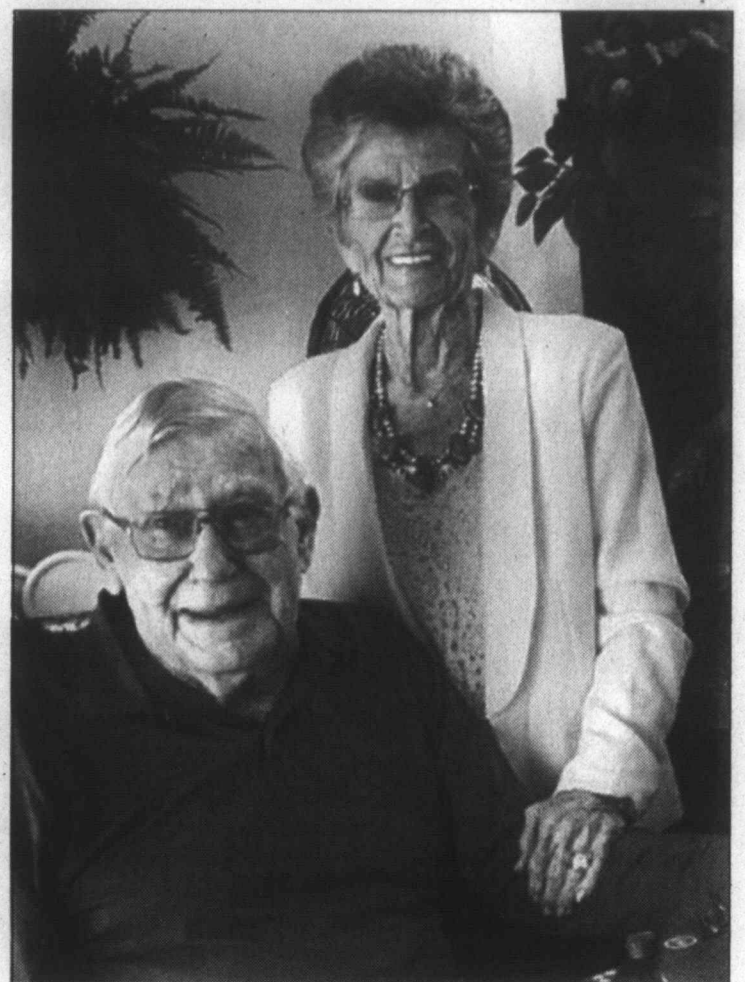
Voters may cast their ballots from 7 a.m.-7 p.m. in four contested races on the May 6 ballots in Lynn County. Tahoka ISD, Wilson ISD, O'Donnell ISD and the City of O'Donnell will each have races that are contested. Other entities have chosen to cancel their elections, with only enough candidates to fill places on their boards in uncontested races.

In the Tahoka ISD election, two candidates are vying for the Precinct 3 trustee seat, with Blanda Watt challenging incumbent Jim Bingham for the three-year term. Vote at the Life Enrichment Center at 1717 Main in Tahoka. Only those residents who reside within the boundaries of TISD Precinct 3 may vote in this election. (Check voter registration card, under SCHOOL, to see the TS#. If it says TS3 then you may vote.)

At Wilson ISD, three candidates have filed for two seats on the Board of Trustees, including incumbent Doug Bolyard, and candidates William Keith Finke and Desirea Rogers-Earwood. Vote at Wilson City Hall.

O'Donnell ISD also has three candidates for two trustee positions. Two incumbents, Randy Cook and Trevor Halfmann, are joined by challenger Jacob Lowe on the ballot. Vote at O'Donnell Community Center.

Four candidates have filed for two seats on the O'Donnell City Council, including two incumbents - Jesse Perez and Ramiro Montez Jr. - and two other challengers - Mark Roye and Cynthia Kanode. Vote at O'Donnell Community Center.



ROBBIE AND WANDA GILL

Couple celebrates 70th Anniversary

Robbie and Wanda Gill, of Lubbock, formerly of New Home, celebrated their 70th anniversary with a host of family and friends on April 18, 2017. The couple married on April 18, 1947 in Lubbock.

They have four children: Rhonda and Kenny Timmons of New Home, Stan and Julia Gill of Lubbock, Stacy and Pat Gill of New Home and Stoney Gill of Woodland, WA. They have 12 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Tahoka 6th Band, MS Symphonic Band earn Sweepstakes

Last Friday and Saturday the Tahoka 6th grade Band and the Middle School Symphonic Band competed at the Abernathy Festival where each band earned a sweepstakes trophy, which is a "T" in concert and a "T" in sightreading. In addition, several students earned a "T" on their individual solos. Directors Cristal Burse and Carroll Rhodes stated, "We are proud of these young people and their effort and it shows in the results." According to Rhodes this is the first time in over 25 years that

the 6th grade beginning band has competed at a competition.

Those students earning T's on their solos were: Flute: Alyssa Elizondo, Alicia Hernandez, Mariel Robles, and Kade Hurt; Clarinet: Axie Allen, Nataly Taylor, Gavin Vega, Marisol Perez, and Nathaniel Sullivan; Alto Sax: Anelyssa Elizondo and Makayla Moya; Trumpet: Alexia Saldana; Trombone: Elianna Perez, Sharyce Delgado, and Molly Broun; Tuba: Rogelio Garcia and Spring Garcia; Snare: Eula Tomamayo.

Correction... Vehicle lease amount incorrect

Last week it was erroneously reported that the new Lynn County Animal Control vehicle was lease-purchased through American National Leasing for three years at a cost of \$15,968 per year, as recorded in the minutes of the Lynn County Commissioners meeting. That figure is incorrect. The total cost of the vehicle was \$25,968. With a \$10,000 down payment, the remainder in the amount of \$15,968 will be paid over a 3-year period (not \$15,968 per year).

DID YOU KNOW ...

- More than 5,000,000 puppies are born in the U.S. every year
- The Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts both offer merit badges in dog care

New Home SCHOOL MENU

May 8-12

Monday: Waffles, Bacon/Muffin, yogurt

Tuesday: Biscuit, gravy, scrambled eggs, ham/Breakfast strudel

Wednesday: Cinn. Roll, sausage/Cereal, Toast

Thursday: Sausage, egg, cheese pretzel sand./PBJ

Friday: Breakfast burrito, hash browns/Breakfast round

Lunch

Monday: Pizza choice/Burgers

Tuesday: Ham & Cheese pretzel sand/Asian Bowl

Wednesday: Chicken alfredo, tuscan veg./Asian Bowl

Thursday: Fish strips/BBQ on bun

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Your vote is greatly appreciated!

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Mustangs honored ... The 2016-2017 Wilson Mustangs and Lady Mustangs were honored at their end-of-year sports banquet last week, as coaches presented athletes with their awards.

WILSON COMMUNITY NEWS by Jessica Wilke

Around town

It's warming up, school is almost out for the summer, kids are everywhere! With summer approaching the kids of Wilson are out and about more. Whether they are playing basketball at the park, walking from one friends house to another or playing hide n seek all over town. It good to see them outside and not parked in front of an Xbox somewhere. Use caution with driving through town. On a side note, many of the kids are looking for summer jobs. If you need your yard cut, trash hauled off or anything else teenagers can do, stop and ask them.

School news

Lots happening around the school this week! School board elections are this week. Last day to vote is May 6th. You may cast your vote at the elementary office. Monday night (May1st) was full of excitement at the sports banquet. All of our Mustangs and Lady Mustangs attended receiving awards on their hard work throughout the year. I know personally I am very proud of each and everyone of our kids. They had a trying year, but the pulled through. Looking forward to the new year.

Many of you may have seen the new billboards around for WCHS (Wilson Collegiate High School - Wilson will be offering college classes to high school students). They can be seen on Hwy 87 and FM 41 intersection and on Hwy 84 just west of Slaton. WCHS is taking applications for the 2017-2018 school year. WCHS is putting together a question and answer pamphlet for information on WCHS. Any questions can be directed to Mr. Portillo at the school. The last day of school is May 19.

National Day of Prayer Prayer gathering set at noon May 4 at courthouse

Thursday, May 4 is the annual National Day of Prayer with observances across the nation.

There will be a prayer gathering that day at 12:00 noon in Tahoka at the north entrance of the Lynn County Courthouse. Those attending will be invited to recite together a published prayer, which will be prayed simultaneously across the country at noon in the different time zones. In addition, different specific prayer focuses, such as county and city officials, law enforcement and first responders, etc., will be lifted up by area pastors and church leaders.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend this prayer service, which will be approximately 15 minutes long.

"At this crucial time for our nation, we can do nothing more important than pray. Thank you in advance for coming and for standing in the gap with us for our community and our nation," said a church pastor.

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Letters to the Editor

Candidate to announce
 Dear Editor:

Democrats in rural West Texas have become as rare as jackalopes but what if I told you there was a candidate carrying the Democratic banner into those areas? Would that pique your interest?

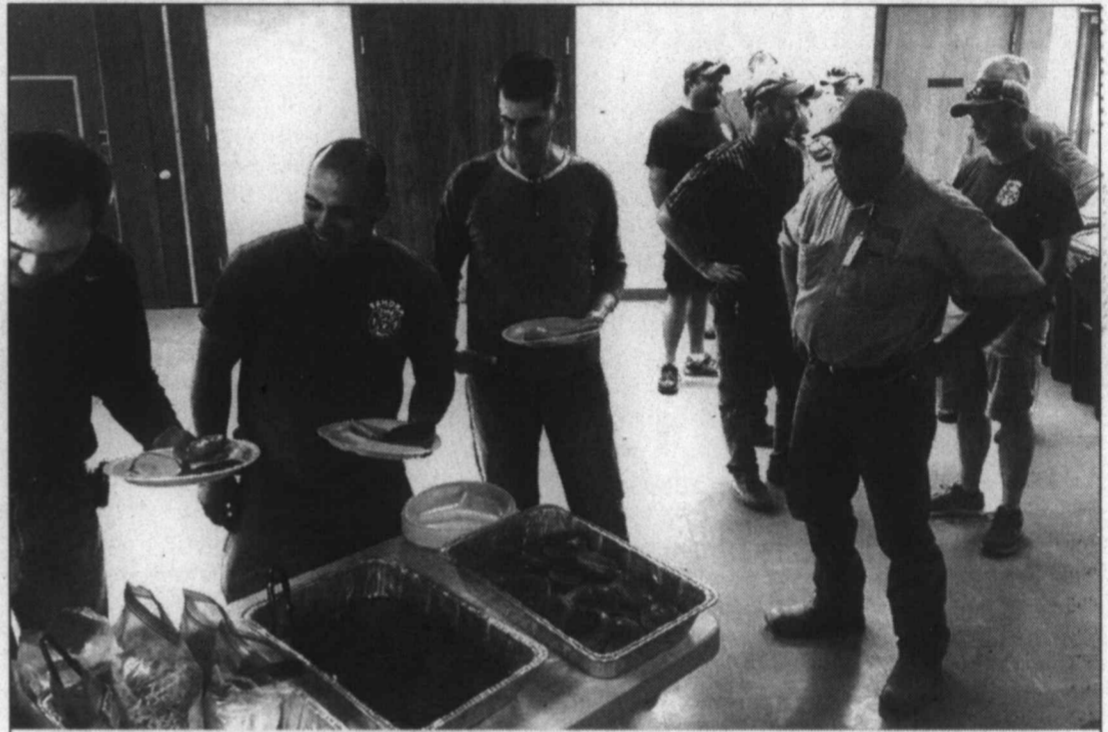
It has been a long time since the 83rd District of the Texas House of Representatives has been represented by a Democrat. That, my friends, is about to change.

Around 5 pm on Saturday, May 13, at the Lynn County Courthouse, a Democrat will announce his candidacy for the Texas 83rd. This gentleman has a plan to support public education, for the future of West Texas' economy, and would honestly be a viable choice for the district.

If any Lynn County Democrats, Independents, or (even) Republicans would like to attend this event, your presence is encouraged and welcomed. This candidate will have a campaign that not only Democrats will be proud of, but also residents of Lynn County. I hope to see you there.

- Drew Landry, Lubbock

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Story Time at the Library

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Library quilt

Raffle tickets are on sale now for \$5.00 a ticket for a special quilt made by Katie Slone for the City-County Library from donated tee shirts from all over Lynn County. Be looking for a picture of the completed quilt in an upcoming newspaper article and on our Facebook page. The quilt will also be on display in the Library.

Tea and Tales

Ladies, it is time for Tea and Tales on Tuesday, May 9th at 10:00 am. This month Maxine Paris will be giving a program on flower arrangements.

On to the Playoffs!
Bulldogs to play Floydada for Bi-District baseball championship

The Tahoka High School Baseball team is in the UIL baseball playoffs, after a respectable 9-6 season that put them fourth in the district behind Post, Sundown and Smyer. The Bulldogs finished regular season play with two in the win column, beating Morton 17-7 and claiming a 7-3 win over O'Donnell at the Eagles field, as they prepared for post season play.

In bi-district playoffs, Tahoka will play Floydada in a best of 3 series with games 1 and 2 beginning on Friday May 5th at 5 p.m. at Lubbock Cooper High School. Game 3 if needed will be played on Saturday, May 6th at 11 a.m. at Moegle field in Lubbock. Tahoka will be the visiting team for game 1 and the home team for game 2.

"We are playing two games on Friday because Floydada has prom Saturday night. I encourage everyone to make the short drive north and watch these kids play. They have done an excellent job of representing Tahoka with dignity and class and hope they can bring home a bi-district championship home for all of you that have supported them along the way," said Coach Stephen Overstreet.

Morton 17-7 Win

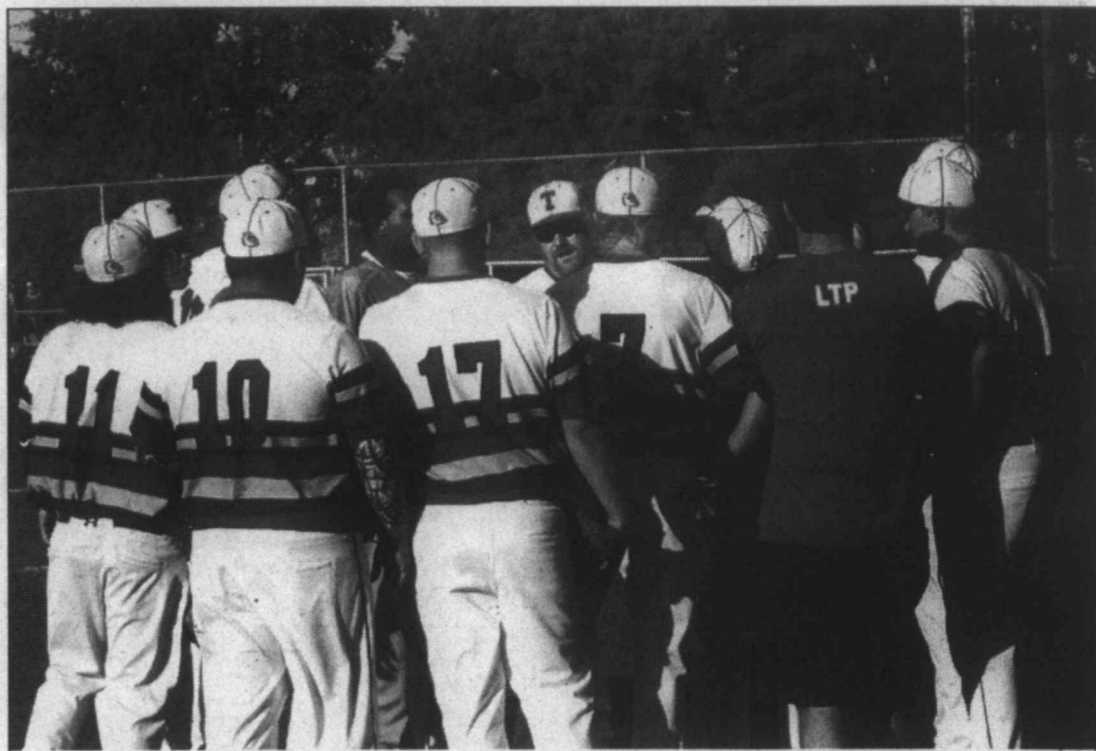
"This was a game that we kind of got back to the basics and really tried to play simple. We really hammered the little things that go with the game of baseball and we did an excellent job of cleaning those things up. We knew that after the big win over Post that we had clinched our playoff spot so we just wanted to make sure we were doing things that later on down the road would

help us in reaching our ultimate goal. Nick Arce got the ball and did another excellent job, he came in and got another win for us and did everything we needed him to do on the mound. Offensively we stayed aggressive both at the plate and on the bases and came away with a good win on what was Senior Night.

"We have five seniors this year and I can't even begin to say how much this group means to me. I have had these guys since they were freshmen and have no doubt that they are leaving Tahoka baseball on a very solid foundation in which they helped lay. Grant, John, Brit, Colbe, and Julian have been excellent for us all year and hope we can send them out on a high note this being their last season," said the coach.

O'Donnell 7-3 Win

"This was a game in which we knew that we really had to get ready for the post season. Both Tahoka and O'Donnell made the playoffs so we had to do different things and try some different things to see what we had pitching wise going into the playoffs. I pitched four guys at them giving Blake Harmon the ball to start the game. I really wanted to see what Blake could do coming back from a fractured nose that he suffered against Sundown. He did a really good job once he settled back in during the second inning, but had to get the jitters out from having to pitch with a mask on for the first time. The first ball of the game was hit straight back to him and he never batted an eye. Super proud of him for getting back in the saddle and going back to work. He's a guy we are



Good job! ... Coach Stephen Overstreet (center) talks to his Bulldog baseball team. The Tahoka team will play for bi-district on Friday night. (Photo courtesy of Kim Tipton)

going to rely on this post season to keep giving us solid innings on the mound.

"I followed Blake up with Cameron Tekell, a freshman that has played well beyond his year in all facets of the game. He pitched really well and gives us another weapon on the mound. Ruben Quinonez came in and did what he always does and pitched to contact and got out. He's a guy that needed some live action and did excellent in his 2 innings. John Stone was the final guy we pitched that night and he too is a freshman. Another kid that plays well beyond his years and has a huge upside. He worked himself into a jam and then worked himself out by allowing his defense to make plays for him. He finished the game just like we asked him to and like Cameron gives us another arm in the arsenal this post season," said Overstreet.

Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors Program set for summer debut; apply by May 15

COLLEGE STATION – The new Texas 4-H Water Ambassador Program kicks off this summer providing youth a wealth of experience about water resources and infrastructure while touring the Lone Star State.

The program is geared towards high school students seeking leadership skills and career preparedness, said David Smith, 4-H20 program coordinator with the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, College Station. Ambassadors will gain insight into water law, policy, planning and management as they interact with representatives from state water agencies, educators, policy-makers and water resource managers.

"Water Ambassadors will also gain an appreciation for the complexity of managing Texas surface and groundwater resources, its importance to local, regional and state economies, and the responsibility we all have to protect this valuable resource for generations," Smith said.

Applications are being accepted for high school age youth who will be entering grades 9-11 for the 2017-2018 school year. Application instructions and program brochure are available at <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/water/>. Applications will be taken online through May 15. Thirty-two individuals will be selected and participate in a summer 4-H20 Youth Leadership Academy tentatively scheduled for July 8-16 in Austin.

"The first part of the program will be a training component held in mid-July. The goal,

contingent on funding, is to have a 10-day tour of Texas," he said. "After that, there will be a service component where the participants will go out in their communities, go back to their 4-H clubs and provide education, and also go to schools, Rotary clubs and host educational booths at fairs."

Smith said one of the objectives of the program is to get the participants acquainted with water leaders in their communities and water conservation district officials.

"This program is a great opportunity for participants to become engaged in water issue discussions on local and larger scales," said Dr. Dana Porter, AgriLife Extension program leader for engineering in Lubbock. "They will gain valuable knowledge and skills they can use to develop solutions to water needs in the future."

Smith said Ambassador service credits can also be earned by participating in regular webinars and assignments such as interviewing local water officials in their communities. To help fund the program and educational tours, Smith said they are seeking sponsorships.

"We are hoping to get support from the industry, and we have received a few commitments already," he said. "We are seeking these sponsorships to help fund travel throughout Texas and other learning opportunities as part of the summer program. Our goal is to get representation statewide in the 16 water planning areas. We'd like to see two representatives from each of these areas."

Smith said he would like to see the initial 32 participants "engaged for about two to three years, and provide opportunities for advanced training beyond year one."

"Funding for this program will go through the 4-H Foundation," he said. Sponsorship levels are signature, \$5,000 and over, Legacy \$2,500-\$4,999, Advocate \$1,000-\$2,499, and Stewardship \$500-\$999. For more information, contact Smith at 979-862-1989 or email davidsmith@tamu.edu.

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