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POLITICAL FORUM - David Counts (left) and Scott McLaughlin (right), candidates for State Representative, District 70, participated in a political forum at Tahoka's Life Enrichment Center last Wednesday. The forum was hosted by the Phebe K. Warner Club. Pictured with the candidates is Phebe K. Warner president, Tammy Sodd. (LCN PHOTO)

Man Faces Murder Charge In Death Of Tahoka Baby

A review of circumstances surrounding the death of an 18-month-old Tahoka boy three years ago has resulted in a warrant for capital murder being issued last week for a 21-year-old former Tahoka man who was arrested Wednesday in connection with what now appears to be a fatal beating incident.

Tahoka Police Dept., which has been investigating the case for the last three months after it was reopened at the request of Child Protective Services (CPS) officials, last Friday obtained a warrant issued by the District Attorney's office naming Larry Fuentes, a step-brother of the baby, Pedro Fuentes. Pedro was the son of Jesse and Rachel Fuentes, who lived in Tahoka at that time.

Larry Fuentes was arrested at approximately 10 a.m. Wednesday by the Pembina County Sheriff's

Department in Cavalier, North Dakota, after investigation by the Tahoka Police Department located the man. Extradition papers to bring Fuentes to Lynn County are in progress, Police Chief Steve Chance told *The News*.

According to police, the child was taken to the emergency room of Lynn County Hospital on Nov. 1, 1995 by his parents, one of whom later told police the baby had suffered an asthma attack. The boy was pronounced dead at the hospital and an autopsy was performed the next day by the Lubbock County Medical Examiner's office. Police sources said the autopsy indicated contusions and abrasions, but that "a clearly defined cause of death is not evident."

After CPS officials earlier this year told Tahoka Police they were not satisfied with the findings in the

child's death, police requested a study by the Child Death Review Board of Lubbock, which referred the case to a forensic expert in child deaths who also is a deputy examiner in Lubbock and the chief medical examiner for Tarrant County. The board and the expert looked at the original autopsy report and then said that the baby died as a result of physical injuries.

Larry Fuentes was 18 years old at the time of the child's death, and was living in the home on 4th St.

Officers said the original autopsy was not by Dr. Ralph Erdmann, pathologist who faced criminal charges involving autopsies, but who was no longer involved in Lubbock autopsies at that time.

Investigation into the case is continuing, Police Chief Steve Chance said.

Sausage To Be Served At Tailgate Party

The Tahoka Bulldog Booster Club will host a tailgate party prior to this Friday's game against Seagraves. They will be serving sausage in a tortilla and a drink for \$2 or sausage in a tortilla for \$1.50. The meal will be served from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. on the north end of the football field.

Interim Sheriff To Be Discussed Here Thursday

It will be in closed session Thursday (today), but an agenda for the Lynn County Commissioners Court shows that commissioners will discuss the Sheriff's Office of Lynn County during a 1 o'clock meeting. Regular session agenda is noted as "in regards to sheriff resignation to be effective on Oct. 26, 1998."

Traffic Accident, Theft Reported

One traffic accident in the city of Tahoka and theft of eight Snickers bars from a convenience store were among incidents reported to law enforcement officers during the last week.

On Monday morning at the intersection of Ave. K and S. 2nd St. a 1986 Buick driven by Rosa Longoria, 47, and a 1975 Ford pickup driven by Anita Rodriguez Speckman, 54, were involved in a collision which caused no injuries. Both drivers are Tahoka residents.

When a Tahoka city patrolman

stopped a car speeding through town on US 87 at 80 mph Saturday afternoon, the officer and a DPS patrolman found a quantity of marijuana in the car, and learned that the driver was wanted in Amarillo on charges of theft by check and possession of marijuana. The 39-year-old Amarillo woman was jailed.

A 54-year-old Tahoka man was arrested for shoplifting candy bars from Ince-Stant Stop Fina on Main St. Friday evening.

A Tahoka man sought to file trespass charges against another Tahoka man who repossessed a lawn mower the first man had not paid for.

In jail during the week were two persons for possession of marijuana, two for possession of narcotics paraphernalia, three for public intoxication and one each for theft under \$20 and no liability insurance.

Woodwork...
by Dalton

HERE'S something you can do, even if you think it's not possible: draw a pig.

Can't draw anything except maybe water and a paycheck? No problem; it really doesn't have to look like a pig. Some people I know tried this, and the things they drew would be hard to recognize as a pig (or anything else) by the untrained eye. So get a piece of paper and draw something, even if looks like kindergarten stuff. This exercise doesn't require the drawing to be good, or even pretty good. It's how you draw it, not the way it looks, that counts.

Do not read any more of this until you have drawn your pig. Then turn this page upside down and read the following:

If the pig is drawn:
-at the top of the paper, you are positive and optimistic.
-toward the middle, you're a realist.
-at the bottom of the paper, you're pessimistic and have a tendency to behave negatively.
-facing left, you believe in tradition, are friendly and remember dates, such as birthdays and anniversaries.
-facing right, you are innovative and active, but don't have a strong sense of family, nor do you remember dates.
-have a strong sense of family, nor do you remember dates.
-facing front (looking at you), you are direct, enjoy playing devil's advocate, and neither fear nor avoid discussions.
-with many details, you are analytical, cautious and distrustful.
-with few details, you are emotional and naive. You care little for details and are a risk taker.
-with fewer than 4 legs showing, you are insecure or living through a period of major change.
-with 4 legs showing, you are secure, stubborn and stick to your ideals.
-with big ears, you are a good listener. The size of the ears indicates how good or how poor a listener you are.
-with a long tail, or short tail. This indicates the quality of your sex life; the longer the tail the better. You can imagine what no tail at all indicates.

Although not specifically stated, commissioners will most likely be discussing candidates for the interim sheriff position, a position which will be held for the next two years. Lynn County Sheriff Charles Smith submitted his resignation last week, giving two weeks notice. He was elected to the office in 1996, with two years remaining on the four-year term at the time of his resignation.

Lynn County Judge J.F. Brandon confirmed last week that three candidates had already expressed interest in the position, including former sheriff Jake Diggs, Lynn County Deputy Jerry D. Franklin, and former deputy Jimmy Bingham. The judge was unavailable as of press time for information on whether other candidates were being considered.

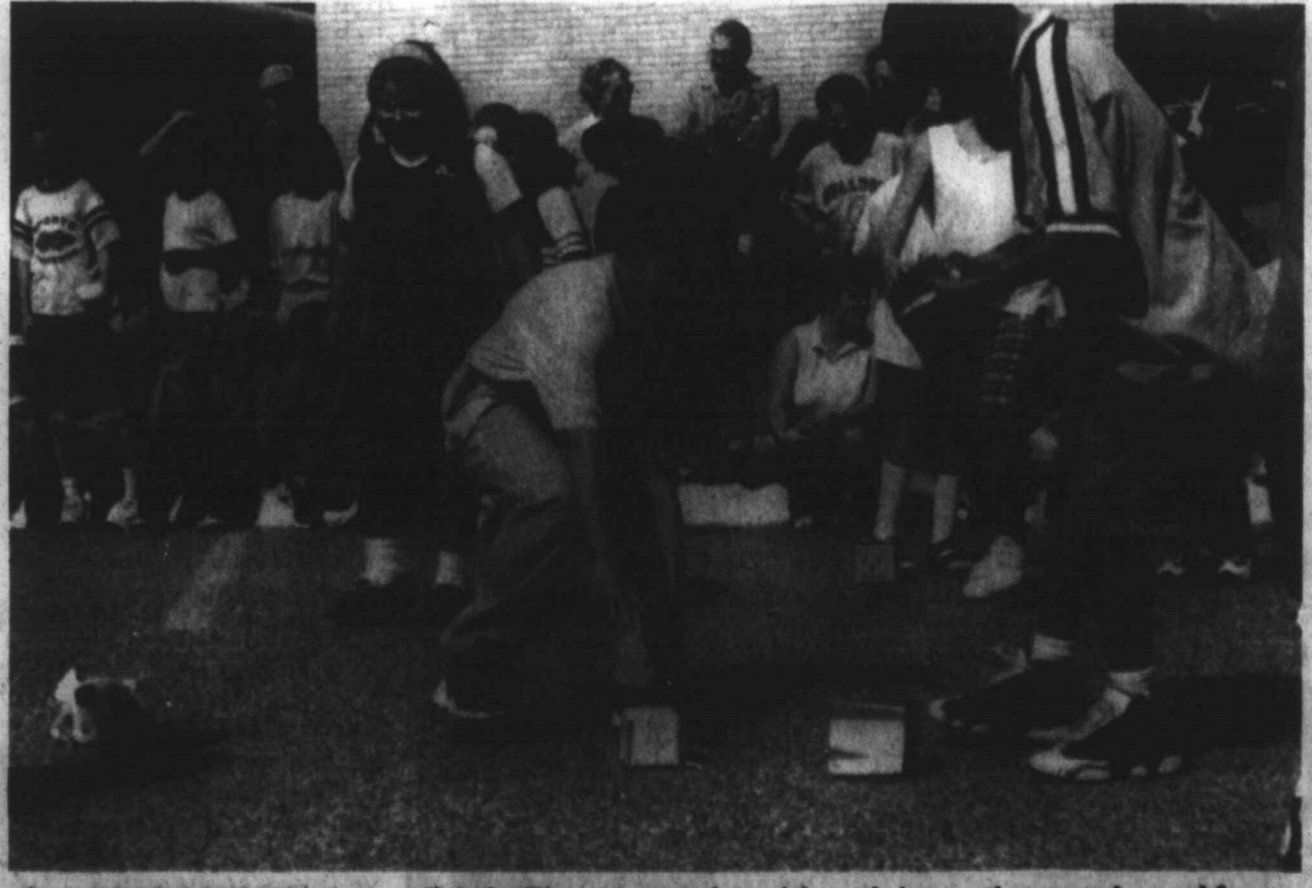
It is expected that commissioners will name an interim sheriff at their regular meeting on Monday, Oct. 26, which is the day Smith's resignation becomes effective.

New Police Officer Named In O'Donnell

O'Donnell Chief of Police Arnold Freeman recently announced the hiring of Parker Wiemers as the new city police officer.

Wiemers, a graduate of Marfa High School, was previously employed by Permian Basin Law Enforcement and the Permian Basin Drug Task Force in Midland. He has experience in both security and law enforcement.

Wiemers replaced Mark Casarez, who has taken a position with the Seminole Police Department.



EGG DROP SOUP - Students at Tahoka Elementary rush to pick up their eggs that were dropped from a Lynegar bucket truck last Friday. The students placed a raw egg in decorated boxes and had them dropped from various heights to find out whose eggs would survive the fall. (LCN PHOTO)

Early Voting Continues This Week

Early voting in the Nov. 3 General Election began Monday, Oct. 19 in the Lynn County Clerk's Office, located in the Lynn County Courthouse, and continues through Friday, Oct. 30. The office is open weekdays from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m.

Election personnel will require voter registration cards to be presented when voting, or some other form of identification.

The general election ballot is for electing members of Congress, members of the Legislature, and state, district, county and precinct officers.

Contested races drawing much attention are for U.S. Representative, District 13, where incumbent Mac Thornberry (Republican) faces Democratic challenger Mark Harmon and Libertarian Party candidate Georganne Baker Payne; Texas Governor, where incumbent George W. Bush (R) faces Democratic challenger Garry Mauro and Libertarian Lester R. Turlington Jr.; and the Lt. Governor race has Republican Rick Perry and Democrat John Sharp facing off, as well as Libertarian challenger Anthony Garcia. District 70 State Representative David Counts (D) faces Republican challenger Scott McLaughlin.

Local races, all on the Democratic ticket on the ballot, are all uncontested, including District Judge George Hansard, County Judge J.F. Brandon, District Clerk Sandra Laws, County Clerk Susan Tipton, County Treasurer Janet Porterfield, Justices of the Peace Theresa Walker (Pct. 1) and Wayne Noland (Pct. 4), and County Commissioners Mike Braddock (Pct. 2), and J.T. Miller (Pct. 4).

Well, of course it doesn't work perfectly, but it's one way of killing several minutes of invaluable time. One thing I would add: if you draw a pig that everyone immediately recognizes as a pig, you are a pretty good artist. And maybe are interested in your roots.



STORK REPORT

Mahlon and Tawnya Richardson of Tahoka announce the birth of a son, Jacob Taylor, born at 12:12 p.m. on August 27, 1998 in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital. He weighed 7 lbs. 9 oz. and was 21 1/2 inches long.

Jacob has two older brothers, Matthew, three and Devin, two.

Grandparents are Frank and Joyce Taylor of Wilson and Sharon Richardson and Mike and Kay Richardson, all of Borger.

Great-Grandparents are Imogene Richardson and Norma Smith, both of Borger; Maurine Gregg of Tahoka; and Lois Edwards of Amarillo.

Lane and Heather Tekell of San Antonio announce the birth of a son, Grant Thomas, born Thursday, Oct. 8, 1998 in San Antonio's Methodist Hospital. He weighed 8 lbs. 4 oz. and was 22 inches long.

He has a four-year-old brother, Logan.

Grandparents are Wayne and Loretta Tekell of Tahoka, Ryan and Suzanne Barnes of Austin, and Tom and Karen Stewart of California.

Leopards Outlast Southland

The New Home Leopards kept their playoff hopes alive as they came from behind in the second half with two touchdowns to beat Southland 26-20, with the game-winning TD coming in the fourth period on a 7-yard pass from Vicente Fuentes to Jorge Dominguez. Fuentes, a junior, had scored in the third period on a 27-yard run which tied the game at 20 at that point.

Sophomore corner back Cliff Bearden intercepted an Eagles' desperation pass as time expired to seal the victory.

Bearden scored for New Home in the first on a 14-yard run, and Fuentes scored on a 14-yard run in the same period. Southland came back to score three times in the second quarter, twice on runs by Derek Burchfield and once by William Bell.

The Leopards, now 2-2 in district, will host Wilson, 1-3, Friday night.

Against Southland, Fuentes rolled up 248 yards rushing on 23 carries. Blake Fillingim added 39 yards on 6 carries, and Josh Gandy caught two passes for 35 yards.



MR. and MRS. J.A. PEBSWORTH

Couple To Celebrate Golden Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Pebsworth of Tahoka will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday, Oct. 24 with a family dinner at the County Line Restaurant in Lubbock. Their children will host the event.

Pebsworth and the former Joyce Williams were married Oct. 24, 1948 in the First Methodist Church in Tahoka. The couple has lived in Tahoka all their married life.

They are the parents of Teri Pebsworth of Dallas, Tim Pebsworth of Wolfforth, and Todd and Robin Pebsworth of Hart; and they have two granddaughters.

Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor:

I'm a tax paying citizen of Lynn County. I think I should be allowed to drive any speed I choose on all state and county roads. I also think if I choose to drink and drive I should be able to do so without the fear of being stopped by the sheriff's office. I also think if I want to haul drugs through or into Lynn County, I should be allowed to do so without being worried that I might get caught. I think the Sheriff and his officers should stay out of sight and leave all law breaking citizens alone.

STOP! NOT REALLY! I really don't think that. I don't understand what the gripe is about the sheriff's office working the highway (it is in Lynn County isn't it?) I really think it is wonderful, especially since my family and friends travel that road often. I like the idea of knowing that someone is keeping an eye out for drunks, speeders and any law breaking person. I realize that it is also a DPS job (and they are doing a great job along with the City of Tahoka officers). I feel the more visible all law enforcement offices are, the safer we all are going to be. And, if by all the law officers being out on the highway makes a statement to drug traffickers, drunk drivers, speeders and anyone else breaking the law, that Lynn County will not just set back and allow these things to happen, I think that's GREAT. The law breakers may decide to straighten themselves up or take a different route and stay out of Lynn County. If they choose not to stay out of Lynn County, I hope that

some officer (Lynn County, DPS or City of Tahoka) is there to catch them and stop them before they hurt or kill someone I love.

In the *Lynn County News* (10-15-98) I read a statement that said "Lynn County has lost the respect of the Texas Rangers and Cattle Raisers (Association) in the last two years." If this is true, the citizens need to hear it from those offices. Hearing it from an individual (not the source) is just gossip. Also, in the same article, it stated that there was "a DPS guy who oversees 60 counties and he said sheriff's departments should not be giving speeding tickets on the highways." That also is gossip until we hear it from a DPS representative. The citizens of Lynn County deserve the truth, not gossip. I also read where Commissioner Cox-Kizer said "However I believe we will have a little more control over an appointed person rather than an elected official." What kind of control is she talking about? I hope that when the commissioners appoint someone, they appoint the one that they feel they can trust to serve and protect the citizens of Lynn County.

I think that it's a shame that the county can't find the funds to pay the sheriff and his personnel well. I am just glad that they still do us a good job, no matter how little they make. They put their life on the line every time they put on their uniform. I hope the commissioners will find a way to re-work the budget and compensate these folks for a job well done.

I know there are a lot of mixed feelings over the sheriff. I personally feel that he has done Lynn County a wonderful job (along with his whole department). We have let go of a sheriff with 17 years of experience in law enforcement. I think it is sad that Lynn County has lost another fine family. Good luck and best wishes to Charlie, Minda, Camela and Swade.

I know not everyone will agree with my thoughts and that's O.K. You all have the right to have your own opinion. Good luck to whom ever is the next sheriff.

Cathy Ross

Cleopatra was actually the seventh Egyptian queen of that name.

Tahoka School Menu

October 26-30 Breakfast

Monday: Donuts, Pineapple Bits, Milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast Pizza, Mixed Fruit, Milk.

Wednesday: Cinnamon Roll, Apple Juice, Milk.

Thursday: Sausage, Biscuit, Fruit Punch Juice, Milk.

Friday: Cereal, Toast, Orange Juice, Milk.

Lunch

Monday: Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes, Tossed Salad, Hot Roll, Milk.

Tuesday: Chalupas, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Apple, Milk.

Wednesday: Turkey Roast, Cream Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Milk.

Thursday: Hot Dogs w/Chili, Pinto Beans, Cole Slaw, Cookie, Milk.

Friday: Hamburgers, French Fries, Lettuce, Onion, Pickles, Peach Cobbler, Milk.

Caswell Named To President's List

Several Hewitt residents earned places on the honor rolls at Texas State Technical College for the summer quarter, including Arlys Benjamin Caswell.

Caswell, who was named to the President's Honor Roll, majors in automotive technology, and is the son of Bobby and Debbie Caswell of Hewitt. His grandparents are Arlys and Christine Askew of Tahoka and, Noel and Wanda Jean Caswell of Lubbock.

3-D Band Earns Excellent Rating

It only took 11 years, but the 3-D Band from Bulldog Land finally earned an "Excellent" plus rating at the regional UIL marching contest on Saturday, Oct. 17 at Texas Tech's Jones Stadium. The last time the Tahoka Band earned a II at marching contest was 1987.

The 3-D band was only one judge away from earning a "Superior", first division, for out of the three judges, the ratings were I, II, II. The last time any band from Tahoka earned a First Division in marching was 1966.

Director Carroll Rhodes said he was extremely proud of the band and its performance at contest. "This is by far the best marching band since I have been here and these are a fantastic group of young people." A band director who has won the state marching contest stated that this was the best Tahoka band he has seen in the past twenty years.

Rhodes further stated that it takes a group effort for an organization to improve. "Not only have the young people worked hard and many extra hours, both late and early, but the Band Boosters have been great in assisting the band. In addition, Mr. Brown, the assistant director, not only designed the marching drills but personally arranged 'Viva Max' and 'Zorro', which he took off a CD and rearranged it for marching band." Rhodes added, "The community support has been extremely encouraging and these fine young people will long remember the standing ovation that the Bulldog fans gave the band at Post."

"Tahoka is knocking at the door of First Divisions and is demanding to be allowed into that exclusive club. These ratings make us eagerly look forward to concert and sightreading contests this spring," said Rhodes.

Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Oct. 14	88	58	
Oct. 15	85	59	
Oct. 16	86	59	
Oct. 17	77	59	
Oct. 18	71	44	
Oct. 19	73	43	
Oct. 20	54	43	.35"
Precip. for October: 0.79"			
Precip. for 1998 to date: 10.4"			
This time last year to date: 22.56"			

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Look Who's Turning 40 ... times 3!

It's not the Three Stooges as you can see. Four decades & counting this week they will be. But three Bulldog exes getting older - yippee! So we're saying "Happy Birthday!" from all three families.



Mark

Off to school you went TISD (Grade One) was a big event You held our hand very tight "Cause the BIG BOYS might pick a fight"

As you got older you got really brave We parents thought you might send us to an early grave.

On to TISD High School "We are so smart now," you thought



Clint

"We can get by without breaking a rule."

You should have known you would get caught More gray hair from worry we were fraught.

From THS you got your degrees. Sometimes you even made better than C's

Friends you remain to this day Because in Tahoka roots are planted to stay.



Math

Often times now our wisdom you seek With children of your own there are problems each week.

We are writing to you guys with love. With grandchildren like ours you are not just average - you're above.

Happy 40th!

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Gov. George W. Bush

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Eagle No. 7 White

The O'Donnell undefeated for Whiteface 51... ing their No. area's Class A... Tatum Be... 44, 9, 23 and Gloria score... 14 yards. Bess... just 11 carries... 112 trips. Bess... for the season.

Election Bazaar Set No

Tahoka F... Church is spon... Bazaar, Lunch... Tuesday, Nov... dents invited to... a Mexican St... browse through... items and bake... All proceed... benefit mission... church.

The church... Avenue J. The... be held in the... on the south si...

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Poetry By Tahoka Man Published

Tahoka poet Kenneth Turner has been notified that a poem he has written will be published in an anthology sponsored by the Poetry Guild based in New York City.

His poem which qualified for publication makes him a semi-finalist in national competition. It is the third poem by Turner to be published since Dec. 1997, he said.

New Home School Menu

October 26-30
Breakfast

Monday: No School.
Tuesday: Cinnamon Tastries, Milk.
Wednesday: Blueberry Muffins, Milk.
Thursday: Cereal, Toast, Milk.
Friday: Breakfast Taco, Milk.

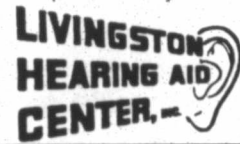
Lunch

Monday: No School.
Tuesday: Fried Burrito, Lettuce, Tomato, Spanish Rice, Sunrise Salad, Milk.
Wednesday: Sandwich Bar, Pickle Spears, Baby Carrots, Oranges, Watermelon, Milk.
Thursday: Pizza, Lettuce, Tomato, Corn, Banana Pudding, Milk.
Friday: Chili Cheese Dog, Tator Tots, Ranch Style Beans, Fruit Cup, Milk.

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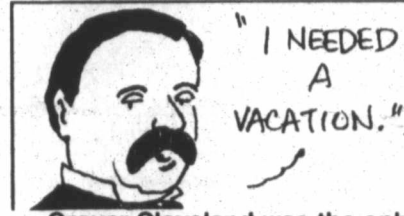
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CHURCH TO CELEBRATE - Parishioners of St. Jude Catholic Church of Tahoka will be joining together to celebrate the blessing of the church on Sunday, Oct. 25 at 11 a.m. Area residents are invited to attend. The church is located at South 4th and Avenue M.



Grover Cleveland was the only president who served two non-consecutive terms of office. He was our 22nd and 24th president.

OBITUARIES

Max Leach

Graveside services for Dr. Max Leach, 89, of Lamesa were held at 4 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15, in Lamesa Memorial Park with Mike Prather of Plainview and Bill Morrison of Wheeler officiating.

He died Tuesday, Oct. 13, 1998, in Medical Arts Hospital in Lamesa.

He was born Feb. 10, 1909, in Childress. He married Lelia Page on Jan. 17, 1931, in Frederick, Okla. She died in Sept. 1976. He married Lavoy Miller on July 10, 1977, in Lamesa. He graduated from Childress High School, Abilene Christian College, the University of Denver and the University of Colorado.

He served as principal in Chillicothe for eight years. He was professor of psychology at Abilene Christian University for 31 years. He preached at the Churches of Christ in Lorraine, Mary Neal, Knott, Cisco, Abilene, Throckmorton, Tarzan and Boulder, Colo.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, Max Leach Jr. of Albuquerque, N.M., Rusty Miller and David Miller, both of Austin; five daughters, Beth Tatum of Kerrville, Leslie Prather of Lamesa, Norma Tuttle of Midland, Ann Wyatt of New Home, and Polly Barringer of Houston; a sister, Doris Leach of San Angelo; 17 grandchildren; and 30 great-grandchildren.

Deen Davis

Services for Deen Davis, 77, of O'Donnell were held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 20 at the First Baptist Church of O'Donnell with the Rev. Richard Rush, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in O'Donnell Cemetery under the direction of White Funeral Home of Tahoka.

He died Sunday, Oct. 18, 1998 at the Grand Court Retirement Center in Lubbock.

He was born Feb. 19, 1921 in Comanche County. He graduated from Gustine High School. He married Nonnet Warren on April 21, 1940 in O'Donnell; she preceded him in death on Jan. 24, 1998. He moved to O'Donnell in 1959 from Lamesa. He worked for First National Bank in O'Donnell. He was a member of First Baptist Church in O'Donnell.

Survivors include two sons, Larry Davis of Lubbock and Jerry Davis of Big Lake; two daughters, Karen Crouch of Bridgeport and Connie Davis of San Angelo; four brothers, Albert Davis of Brownwood, Levin Davis of Helena, Mont., Larron Davis of Sweetwater, and Kellas Davis of Abilene; three sisters, Mary Cockerham and Ruth Tankersley, both of Comanche, and June Stokes of Lubbock; eight grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the O'Donnell High School Scholarship, c/o O'Donnell High School, 610 3rd Street, O'Donnell 79351; or to the O'Donnell EMS, c/o Weldon Brownlow, P.O. Box 179, O'Donnell 79351.

Senior Citizens MENU

October 26-30

Monday: Chicken Fried Steak, White Gravy, Corn, Peas & Carrots, Hot Roll, Pineapple or Orange Sections.

Tuesday: BBQ Chicken, Baby Limas, Yellow Squash, Coleslaw, Wheat Roll, Lemon Pudding.

Wednesday: Roast Beef, Brown Gravy, Potatoes, Zucchini, Tossed Salad/French Dressing, White Frosted Cake.

Thursday: Chicken Strips, White Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Turnip Greens, Wheat Roll, Cherry Cobbler.

Friday: Tacos, Lettuce, Tomato, Onions, Cheese, Refried or Pinto Beans, Stewed Tomatoes, Taco Sauce, Apricots.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editors:

This is not really a "Letter to the Editors". This is just a bit of curious happening in the county that you may or may not find interesting enough for a filler to edit as you please. This is all (well not quite all) about the BIG BITTY BEETLE INVASION OF '98. These little critters have come around in twos and threes in the late summer before, but not like this year. Of course I can't speak with any kind of authority because I've only actually lived here a little over three years. Jerry used to live here, though, all his life until about fifty years ago and he's never seen anything like this.

They started moving in just about a month ago — little brown, hard shelled bugs just a mite bigger'n a flea. From time to time they can hop in a pretty good imitation of a fat ole flea only they can fly, too. Anyway, they started coming in in the evenings a little after dark in more than twos and threes. If I stepped out the door it'd take only a part of a minute before I was completely beetle coated. Every morning since the onset of this scourge the first chore of the day has been to shovel out beetles. A week or so ago I had occasion to go into our storm cellar. Dead, and some not-so-dead, beetles had coated the steps to about a 1/2 inch so you couldn't see a peek of the tread. Yuck! They've slowed their invasion a bit since the nights have cooled. When they ever decide to free our home from their unwelcome company we'll have a major housekeeping exercise to undertake for they have insinuated themselves into every crease and cranny.

My trailer house is pretty new and seemingly tighter than some other local homes that have set here a bit longer. Lance, who lives on top of the hill at the quarry reports a dust pan full per morning from his kitchen alone and the Freeman's up on 400 gave up caulking cracks in frustration. Earl and Pauline Cummings tell me they've been bugged to distraction and Jake Diggs, just up the hill from us, has graphically expressed his frustration with the onslaught. I don't know this for sure but the rumor I've heard is that Gary Moore over in the old Harvick place started attacking his beetles with a shop vac. The report is that on one day he had to empty the vac eight times before he cleared the place. Some folks have had their homes and yards sprayed which is mildly effective for a day or two. After that, the poison fades and the evening breezes just float our plague back in. I don't get out much so I don't know how far this problem has spread. I do know that there are many who haven't had a decent night's sleep in a good while because of the unwelcome company in bed with them.

It's said that what has happened is that these particular insects breed in old gin trash and burrs that have laid up in piles for over a year. Just across 400 from the Green Cemetery are several such piles that we've assumed are the source of this pestilence. Some have said the drought

has aggravated the beetle population. I don't know about beetles, so that may be true. Not being really very familiar with who owns what hereabouts, I can accuse only Nature for causing me and some of my neighbors this nuisance but I sure do hope it stops real soon; AND I sure do hope "Nature" finds somebody to fix things so we can avoid this from '99 to forever.

Clyde May (Mrs.)*

* I put the "Mrs." like that so I don't have to always explain that I am "Clyde" not my husband, who is Jerry, and I am female and my mother did that to me more than six decades ago and I am sorry if it confuses people.

Dear Editor:

The First Baptist Church of Wilson hosted a youth rally October 11-13, in the Wilson High School Gymnasium. Robbie Robison from Franklin, Tennessee was the speaker.

During this day and age when we tend to hear so many negative things about teenagers, it was a blessing for all of us to see approximately 150-200 students gather together each night to hear about God's word.

This was made possible by the combined effort of adult leaders from Tahoka, Slaton, Post, New Home, and Wilson. A special thanks goes to Connie Christopher, youth director of First Baptist Church of Wilson, who organized the rally; those leaders who provided transportation for the students to attend; each church who so graciously donated refreshments; the youth from Tahoka and Slaton for providing the music; and Wilson ISD for allowing the use of their facilities.

Donna Fields

TISD Offers Gifted/Talented Program Here

The Tahoka Independent School District provides a program for gifted students.

"Of utmost importance to the success of the Tahoka ISD Gifted and Talented Program is the identification of students possessing potential of high ability in the areas of creative and productive thinking and general intellectual ability," says a school official.

The program includes appropriately challenging learning experiences that emphasize content from the four core academic areas. Students may be nominated for testing for the program by their teachers or parents.

Nomination information was sent home with each TISD student on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

Anyone interested in more information about the program may contact one of the following: Jimmy Parker, High School Principal, 998-4538; Glo Hays, Middle School Principal, 998-4538; Ron Roberts, Elementary School Principal, 998-4350; Sherri McCord, District Counselor, 998-5146; or Liz Styles, Elementary Counselor, 998-4350.

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The Wilson News

by Buster Abbe • 628-6368

Wilson Fire Department Tip of the Week: Keep the stovetop and oven clean. Grease and other food residues can catch fire. Wear short or close-fitting sleeves when cooking. Loose clothing can dangle onto the stove burners and catch fire. Always use oven mitts or pot holders and always keep a class C fire extinguisher in the kitchen for use on almost any fire.

The City of Wilson and the Lynn County Home Health Agency will be sponsoring a flu shot clinic on Oct. 28 at the Mercantile from 9 to 11 a.m. Cost of the shots will be \$10 and Medicare will be accepted.

It's that time of year again when it's time to re-set clocks to standard time. Remember to get up at 2 a.m. Sunday morning and reset your clocks back one hour. If you're lazy (like I am), set your clocks back Saturday night before you go to bed, then enjoy the extra hour of sleep.

Wilson Coop Gin reports that they have ginned about 2,800 bales of the 1998 cotton crop so far. The grades continue to be good, with the MIC a little higher than usual and the staple a little shorter than usual. Ginning activities have slowed a little with the onset of the rain, but gin officials expect to regain their momentum later in the week, when the wet weather moves on out.

Weathermen are predicting a light freeze for the South Plains later on in the week, so if you have tender plants on the porch or patio, you might want to cover them at night or even better, bring them into the house. The cold weather is expected to move on out over the weekend.

Wilson Lions Club hosted District Governor Charles Shannon of Ropesville last Thursday night. Gov. Shannon reminisced with club members about the Wilson club and then he gave his goals and desires for the district for the year. Shannon is well-known by the Wilson club and his visit was well attended. Many expressed appreciation to Shannon for his many years of working with Lions.

Area Lions clubs are still collecting used eyeglasses. These glasses are reconditioned and then used in a program to see that anyone who needs glasses can get them. Those with glasses to donate may give them to any Lions Club member in any town that has a Lions Club and they will get to where they need to go.

The Lions clubs of this district have also established a hearing center where they will accept used hearing aids for repair and distribution to those who need hearing help but cannot afford the cost of the aids. Again, used hearing aids may be donated to any Lions Club member and they will see that they get to the proper people.

The Wilson Mustang Marching Band participated in the UIL marching contest at Jones Stadium last Saturday. The band earned a II rating at the contest, which reinforced their other achievements

and awards earned the last couple of weeks, at the South Plains Fair parade and the Texas Tech Marching Festival. If you see a band member, or especially band director Keith Sander, give them a pat on the back and a "well done". Their final marching performance of the year will be on Oct. 30 during homecoming halftime.

Wilson High School Students who have not yet completed their TAAS Exit Level exam will have a chance to complete this exam Oct. 27-29. Tentative plans call for the writing portion of the exam to be given on Tuesday, the reading on Wednesday and the math on Thursday.

The Wilson football teams will take to the field this week against their counterparts from New Home. The junior high and JV will host the Leopards at Wilson in a series of games beginning at 5 p.m. Thursday. The varsity team will travel to New Home on Friday for a 7:30 p.m. kick-off. The following week will be homecoming (see related story this issue).

Wilson students are busy locating wood to be used for the annual homecoming bonfire scheduled for next Thursday night. They have already gathered quite a bit of material but will not assemble it until the last minute. If you would like to donate wood, contact the high school office.

Election day is just around the corner with the November general election scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 3. All voters are urged to check out the candidates and then be sure to go to the polls on Nov. 3 and cast their ballots. Currently, state election officials are predicting a fairly light voter turnout, so every vote can be important. Early voting has already begun in the County Clerks Office in the Lynn County Courthouse.

Wilson School Menu

- October 26-30 Breakfast**
Monday: Donuts, Juice, Milk.
Tuesday: Cheese Toast, Juice, Milk.
Wednesday: Cinnamon Rolls, Juice, Milk.
Thursday: Scrambled Eggs, Toast, Juice, Milk.
Friday: French Toast Sticks, Juice, Milk.
- Lunch**
Monday: Chili Dogs, Fries, Pork & Beans, Fruit, Milk.
Tuesday: Spaghetti, Salad, Garlic Bread, Fruit Cocktail, Milk.
Wednesday: Turkey on Toast, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans, (H.S.-Potato Bar), Milk.
Thursday: Tamales, Refried Beans, Salad, Pineapple Chunks, Milk.
Friday: Sausage Wrap, Ranch Style Beans, Corn, Cookies, Milk.

September Weather Significantly Warmer

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

Temperatures averaged 5.8 degrees above normal and ranged from 4.0 degrees above normal at Plainview to 8.0 degrees above normal at Jayton.

Precipitation averaged 2.26 inches below normal and ranged from 3.12 inches below normal at Jayton to 1.33 inches below normal at Hereford.

Average temperature for Tahoka for the month was 76.6 degrees. Total precipitation was .04 inch.



YOUTH ATTEND RALLY - Shown here are some of the approximately 200 students who attended a youth rally Oct. 11-13 in the Wilson High School gym. Featured speaker was Robbie Robison from Franklin, Tenn.

Wilson Sets Events For Homecoming

Plans have been finalized for Wilson's annual homecoming activities which will take place Oct. 29-30.

The Student Council will give pizzas away to one elementary and one junior high or high school class who have the highest percent of participation in homecoming week contests including: Monday - "Inside-Out Day", Tuesday - "Reverse Day", Wednesday - "Barney Day", Thursday - "Costume Day" and Friday - "Blue and White Day".

Thursday's activities kick-off with the annual Student Council Hot Dog Supper at Mustang Stadium at 5 p.m. The Wilson Mustang junior high team will take on Dawson at 5 p.m. followed by the JV Mustangs against Meadow at approximately 6:30 p.m. At approximately 8 p.m. a bonfire will be held at the City Park.

School will dismiss and busses will run at 2 p.m. on Friday and the homecoming parade will begin at 5 p.m. A pep rally will be held at Mustang Stadium at 5:15. The annual Lion's Club BBQ Dinner will be held in the cafeteria from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

The Mustangs will take on the Dawson Dragons at 7:30 p.m. at Mustang Stadium. Halftime activities will include crowning of the Homecoming King and Queen. This year's king candidates are Kevin Abbe, Bryan Isham, Joel Garza and Jaime Ortega. Nominees for queen are Brenda Castillo, Kimberly Compton, Amber Fields, and Rachel Vasquez.

At 9 p.m. a dance will be held in the old gym. Admission will be \$5 per couple or \$3 per person. Anyone leaving the gym during the dance will not be allowed to re-enter.

Correction: In last week's issue of the *Lynn County News*, it was reported that a benefit dance held in Post was for the family of George Rivera. Rivera was not killed in an accident as reported, the benefit was to help pay medical costs incurred when he was injured in the accident. *The News* regrets the error.

NEW AT THE LIBRARY

Black and Blue by Anna Quindlen

In *Black and Blue*, Fran Benedetto tells a spellbinding story: how at nineteen she fell in love with Bobby Benedetto, how their passionate marriage became a nightmare, why she stayed, and what happened on the night she finally decided to run away with her ten-year-old son and start a new life under a new name. Living in fear in Florida, she unravels the complex threads of family, identity, and desire that shape a woman's life, even as she begins to create a new one. As Fran starts to heal from the pain of the past, she almost believes she has escaped it—that Bobby will not find her and again provoke the complex combustion between them of attraction and destruction, lust and love.

By the author of *One True Thing*, *Black and Blue* is a beautifully written, heart-stopping story in which Anna Quindlen writes with power, wisdom and humor about the real lives of men and women.

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Wilson Mustangs Fall To Klondike

The Wilson Mustangs gave favored Klondike a good tussle, especially in the first half, but finally succumbed 40-28 in a six-man game at Wilson Friday.

The Mustangs scored first as Nick Buccola ran 4 yards in the first period. After giving up a TD to the Cougars, Wilson scored again in the second on a 43-yard pass from Cody Donald to Jay Paul Kirk. Kirk scored again on a 29-yard pass from Donald in the fourth, and Billy Cavender scored on a 31-yard pass from Donald.

GAME AT A GLANCE


WILSON	KLONDIKE
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6-18-0	completed by 2-7-1
5-26	punts, avg. 2-21
1	fumbles lost 1
0	penalties, yds. 4-22

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BULLDOG
Booster Club News

The Tahoka Bulldog Booster Club will host a tailgate party prior to this Friday's game against Seagraves. They will be serving sausage in a tortilla and a drink for \$2 or sausage in a tortilla for \$1.50. The meal will be served from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. on the north end of the football field.

The Booster Club would like to congratulate the Tahoka High School 3-D Band for their success in last week's UIL Marching Contest in Lubbock and offer their appreciation for the band's efforts at every football game.

Students Name Best Teachers

A select group of America's teachers are being honored by their toughest critics...their former students, in the fifth edition of *Who's Who Among America's Teachers, 1998*.

All of the approximately 130,000 teachers being honored were selected by their former students who themselves are currently listed in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*, or *The National Dean's List*, publications which recognize 5% of the nation's high school and college students respectively.

Local educators honored in *Who's Who Among American's Teachers, 1998* include: Julie Michelle Goodloe of New Home, Danna J. Curry, Barbara Jaquess, Patty Rambo, Julie Scarbrough, and Alta Swindle, all of Tahoka.



MID-FLIGHT COLLISION - Many area homes are displaying fall or Halloween scenes, including this humorous one showing a witch having a close encounter with a tree in a mid-(broomstick)-flight collision. A scarecrow with a crow on his shoulder observes from right. The scene is at the home of Cathy Ross, 2101 N. Main in Tahoka. (LCN PHOTO)

Sharp Delivers Sales Tax Rebates

State Comptroller John Sharp has delivered a total of \$173.6 million in monthly sales tax payments to 1,093 Texas cities and 118 counties, a 7.1 percent increase over the \$162 million allocated in October 1997.

October's rebates include local sales taxes collected on August sales and reported to the Comptroller in

September by businesses filing monthly tax returns.

"Consumer confidence is still up across the state, as spending in Texas shows no signs of slowing down," Sharp said. "Year-to-date, sales tax rebates to cities and counties are up 10.4 percent over last year."

Sharp delivered monthly sales tax rebates totaling \$159.3 million to Texas cities, 7.8 percent higher than last October's payments of \$147.7 million. Rebates of \$14.2 million to Texas counties are virtually unchanged from county allocations in October 1997. Another \$5 million went to 34 special purpose districts around the state.

Lynn County received \$6,608.06 this year versus \$12,912.23 last year for a decrease of 48.82 percent. Tahoka showed the largest decrease (52.95%) receiving \$5,451.81 this period as opposed to \$11,588.67 for the same period last year. O'Donnell was down 12.28 percent, receiving \$729.59 this year and \$831.77 last year. Wilson received \$426.66 this year versus \$491.79 last year for a drop of 13.24 percent.

NEW AT THE LIBRARY

Low Country by Anne Rivers Siddons
Caroline Venable has everything her Southern heritage promised: money, prestige, a rich husband — and a predictable routine of country-club luncheons and cocktail parties. She is the chateau of a magnificent home, and hostess to her husband Clay's wealthy friends and prospective clients.

Carolina's escape is an island in the Lowcountry that her beloved Granddaddy left her, where she can lose herself and simply forget. Roaming the island is a band of wild ponies, whose freedom and spirit have captivated Caro since she was a child. When she learns that her husband must either develop the island or lose the company that he has spent his whole life building, she is devastated. It is Caroline's heritage — the one constant she believed would never change. A resort would not only destroy the island she loves — but what will happen to the wild ponies?

In fighting to save her island, Caroline draws on her inner strength that forces her to reconsider her role in society, her marriage, and, ultimately, herself.

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Pages From The Past ...

by Vondell Elliott

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

Mysterious Light Is Sighted Here

Jim Sessums was one of those who saw the mysterious flash of light last Sunday night.

He had gone outside the house at about 9:00 p.m. when suddenly there was a bright flash apparently to the north, although he was not looking in that direction at the time. The flash had dissipated by the time Jim could turn around to look to the north.

A Lamesa lady traveling north of Tahoka toward Lubbock Sunday night also reported to the Lubbock *Avalanche-Journal* that she saw the light.

There has been a rash of reports of strange lights Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday nights. A few people in the Southwest have even "seen" flat saucer-like objects. There has been a wide variety of reports about what the lights have looked like, but that there have been flashes of some kind is almost certain.

Air Force authorities maintain the flashes, which usually are at their peak this time of year, are stars or planets, or at the most meteors.

However, no one has reported seeing little green men from Mars on the craft they reportedly sighted. Since we have just recently taken pictures of Mars, scientists seem almost certain there is no life there, let alone little green creatures who have invented spacecraft to invade Earth. - Aug. 6, 1965

Santa Fe Closes Wilson Station

The Santa Fe has closed its Wilson depot after having served the area for 55 years, records and office equipment have been moved, and the building, oldest business structure in the town, has been abandoned.

Freight shipments to and from Wilson will not be discontinued, however. Wilson Lumber Co. will be agent for such shipments. This applies principally to truck shipments and carload shipments will possibly be handled through Slaton and Tahoka offices, *The News* is informed.

John F. Covey, Wilson station agent for more than 30 years, is temporarily retired. Mr. Covey has been in the Wilson position longer than any other Santa Fe employee in a similar position in the area, *The News* is informed.

Wilson's Santa Fe depot was built in 1910 when the branch line was laid from Slaton to Wilson, Tahoka, O'Donnell, and Lamesa, and this marked the beginning of Wilson as a town. The town has grown until it is now larger than ever in the past, and local people are greatly disappointed that Santa Fe reached a decision to close the station.

Last February 11, Wilson and area citizens protested the proposed closing of the station at a Railroad Commission hearing held in the Lynn county court room. But, the Commission recently approved the petition of Santa Fe to close the station. - July 23, 1965

City Police Dog, Ringo, Is Loyal To His Masters

Following is a story compiled by City of Tahoka Police about their Police Dog and one little instance of activity that goes on while most of the town sleeps.

Ringo, the police dog working with City of Tahoka Police Department, has won the proper recognition for himself — as all German Shepherd dogs are expected to do.

Ringo likes to ride in and watch from the City Police car. This he does all night long every night. If left behind, he will look for Car 5 until he finds it. If he finds the car parked downtown, he will lie in watch until one of the Policemen comes to get it. If parked at the Police station, Ringo will lie at the door of the station on guard until one of the policemen leaves the office; then, he goes with the policeman and the car.

During the night, New Year's Eve and morning, everything was "sort of soggy" with everyone, and Ringo was right by the side of the Chief of Police and Patrolman, Jack Miller and Joe Raindl.

At 4:00 a.m. January 1, a person stopped the patrolman, Raindl, on the street and told him a person was "cutting up" in a pick-up around his house. Raindl rushed to apprehend the subject and give him a checking over. In the process, Ringo was left in town.

The subject in the pick-up was not as cooperative as expected. Instead of stopping for the patrolman, he made a run for it, dashing from the pick-up among some houses in South Tahoka. Raindl lost the subject and searched two hours for him.

Giving up the search, Raindl went back to the office to make out his report knowing the name of the subject and where he was from. He called Lamesa to get a "wanted" and record on the man. On obtaining this information, the patrolman surmising the pick-up was stolen, Raindl wanted his man, but he could not be found.

About 6:15 a.m., Ringo, the faithful Shep, started barking and running a subject west on Lockwood street. Patrolman Raindl jumped into Car 5 and sped up to head them off, Ringo being on the heels of the subject. When the policeman overtook them, Ringo's job was done, the subject was taken into custody, and the crime solved.

If any time you should be around the City Hall or the City Police Department, give old Ringo a pat on the back and a kind word for he is all right. The Police Department thinks a lot of him. He will remain a pal and friend of Jack and Joe forever. - City Police Department. - Jan 8, 1965

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Tahoka Sports News

by THS Growl Staff

Cross Country by Sarah Hawthorne

The cross country teams brought six medals home last Saturday. "I thought we did rather well even though it was very windy and sandy," said team member Sarah Hawthorne.

The next meet will be the district contest at Mae Simmons, Saturday, Sept. 24.

The varsity boys placed third out of six teams.

Senior Matt Chancy led the Bulldogs, placing 17th, with a time of 20:24. Brady Raindl placed 20th (21:22) and Michael DeLeon placed 22nd with a 21:56.

Other participants were Anthony Garza and Bobby Benavidez.

The varsity girls did better this time on everything, according to team member Molly Sarchet.

The Lady Bulldogs placed 7th as a team.

New Home gave 25 medals and freshman Molly Sarchet placed 17th and Sarah Hawthorne placed 25th.

Other runners were Mickey DeLeon, Sara Alvarado, Valerie Lopez, Jana Eudy and Amie Lopez.

The Tahoka Middle School girls ran with 102 other competitors.

Seventh grader Ashley McNeely took the 14th medal. Damesha Harris placed 26th, one away from the last medal.

Other runners were Lindsay Preston, Johnna Alvarado, Leigh McAfee, Melissa Alvarado, Meredith Pittman, and Kelly Engle.

There was only one runner for the middle school boys.

Chris Engle placed 11th (19:23) with 48 other competitors.

8th Grade Volleyball by Keely Boone

The Lady Bulldog A team took care of business with the Freshup Tigers 15-10, 15-8. The ladies added another win to their record Oct. 19. Their record is now 3-5.

The Lady Bulldog B Team was defeated by the Tigers 8-15, 13-15.

7th Grade Volleyball by Meg Flynn

The seventh grade B team Lady Bulldogs played in their final game of the season Oct. 19 against the Plains Cowgirls.

In the first game, the Dogs defeated the Cowgirls 15-11.

The Ladies once again beat the Cowgirls 15-13, giving them the match. The Ladies record for the season is 2-1.

The seventh grade A team Lady Bulldogs played the Plains Cowgirls Oct. 19 in their final game of the season.

The Ladies beat the Cowgirls in the first game 15-5.

Then, in the second game, stomped the Cowgirls again 15-9.

The Ladies record is now 5-3.

JV Football by Casey Jones

The junior varsity football team battled through a shootout last Thursday night with a 24-6 victory over the Plains Cowboys. The JV Bulldogs have a 5-2 record and are 1-1 in district.

The next obstacle for the JV Bulldogs will be against the Seagraves Eagles on the road at 6 p.m.

Offensive touchdowns were scored by Jeff Elmore on two TD runs and by C.J. Sims on a 70 yard reverse for a score. The Bulldogs converted on all three 2-point conversions.

The defense also played a big role by forcing several turnovers to help their winning cause in this confrontation.

8th Grade Football by Fernando Castro

The eighth grade Bulldogs ate up the Plains Cowboys last Thursday 30-6 improving their record to 3-3 and 1-1 in

district. They will play the Seagraves Eagles here tonight after the seventh grade game.

Tim Hutton once again led the pack with nine carries for 101 yards rushing including one touchdown and a 2-point conversion. B.J. Andrews (who also had a rushing touchdown), Matt Wells, Ben Stroope, Adrian Moore and Kellen Flowers all carried the ball to add to the 163 yards rushing made by the Bulldogs.

Andrews took to the sky with 4 out of 10 passes completed for a total of 79 yards and two touchdowns. Andrews connected with Moore for a 48 yard TD and with Brandon McCord for a total of 31 yards and a TD with a 2-point conversion.

"Defense was the name of the game," said Coach Rusty Frazier. "We dominated the game defensively and played very smart offensively. The best game we've played this year."

According to Coach Frazier, defensive standouts against Plains were Brent Stone, McCord, Zach Lindsey, Wells and Hutton. Interceptions were made by Moore and Josh Pridmore.

7th Grade Football by Brad Pebsworth

The seventh grade Bulldogs struggled against the Plains Cowboys, 14-32, Oct. 15.

The Dawgs will play the Seagraves Eagles tonight at Kelly Field.

The Bulldogs were led by tailback Zach Collins who had 219 yards rushing on 20 carries. Michael Nance, Tyler Hawthorne and Eric Green also contributed to the offense.

The defensive standouts were Collins, Casey Hall and JC Garza said Coach Rusty Frazier.

"We had opportunities to get back into the game and just couldn't get over the hump. We didn't make the plays that we needed to," said Coach Frazier.

Teacher Interview Lola Henning by Casey Jones

"Science whiz" Mrs. Lola Henning takes over the helm here as eighth grade science teacher as she brings 16 years of experience with her to Tahoka.

She is originally from Tifton, Georgia. In high school, she was voted Funniest Girl and was involved in All-State Choir.

Mrs. Henning attended not only one, but four colleges. She attended Abraham College, Shorter College, Valdosta State University and Georgia-Southwestern University.

She majored in Natural Sciences with a concentration in Biology. She minored in Secondary Education.

Mrs. Henning said she was intrigued by the teaching profession because a previous teacher had impacted her life.

Her favorite singer is the "King," Elvis. Some of her talents include teaching and being good with adolescents because her passion is her students.

Mrs. Henning doesn't like people who are disrespectful and she says, "Anything worth doing, is worth doing right."

If she could go anywhere right now, she would go to Alaska. If she wasn't a teacher, she would be a scientist.

Mrs. Henning's impression of Tahoka is that it is a good community that has people with good morals.



TAKING A BREAK - Another fall scene at 2021 Ave. L in Tahoka depicts a man taking a break as he leans against a fence while resting on a bale of hay. Pumpkins complete the fall setting. (LCN PHOTO)

Teacher Interview Jill Vosburg by Sarah Hawthorne

Our fingers were crossed for a fast replacement for a Tahoka Middle School Special Education teacher at the last minute. Mrs. Jill Vosburg, principal, called Mrs. Jill Vosburg and set up an interview. A few days later Middle School had a fresh, right out of San Angelo State University, new Special Education teacher.

Mrs. Vosburg earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Special Education and English.

At Lake View High School Mrs. Vosburg was named Best Person and was vice president of her class.

In a sophomore English class she met her spouse and from then on she says she loved that class. She has been happily married for three years.

A scary moment in her early marriage was when her husband was hit by a drunk taxi cab driver and was in the hospital for two weeks.

When she was a little girl she loved to play dolls and ride her bike during her free time.

Mrs. Vosburg said she had no problems with any of the teachers in high school because she was the "teachers' pet." She always made good grades.

When Mrs. Vosburg worked as a substitute teacher, she said she enjoyed the kids and thought teaching was fun, so she became a teacher.

She has family in Arkansas and visits them often. The reason she was in Tahoka is to see family here and Mrs. Hays just caught her at the right time.

The one place she would like to visit is New York. Her favorite singer is Amy Grant, and her favorite food is pizza.

If she could spend a day anywhere and do anything she wanted, Mrs. Vosburg said she would want to spend it with her husband and family. As of right now, she currently lives in Lubbock.

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Book Summarizes Texas Facts, Figures

State Comptroller John Sharp has released the 1998 edition of "Texas, Where We Stand," his annual ranking of state economic, demographic, and fiscal measures to show here Texas stands among the 50 states.

"We began publishing this handy summary of comparative facts and figures about the Lone Star State in response to questions my staff and I are asked by Texans every day," Sharp said.

"For example, Texas is still number one in cattle, crude oil and natural gas production, and farms and farmland," Sharp said. "We're number two in population, number three in Gross State product, and number four in Fortune 500 companies."

"In some categories, we've made some notable progress since our 1997 edition," Sharp said. "Food stamp recipients are down from fifth place nationally to eleventh place, decreasing from 13.7 percent to 10.4 percent of the population."

"We've also reduced our business-failure rate, going from seventh highest nationally in our last report to eleventh place in 1998," Sharp said.

"Texas remains at the top of the list in the number of public school districts and teachers, has reached number three in full-time enrollment in institutions of higher learning, and made some gains in the percent of adults who have attained a high school education — up from 76.2 percent to 78.5 percent," Sharp said.

The Lone Star State ranks number four in birth rate (17.4 live births

per 1,000 population), number seven in average household size (2.69 persons), and number 14 in marriage rate (9.4 marriages per 1,000 population).

Texas also leads the nation in percent and value of exports to Mexico (43.7 percent and \$31.2 billion, respectively), is second in percent of state legislators who are His-

panic (19.4 percent), and third in Hispanic population (28.8 percent).

Sharp has published "Texas, Where We Stand" every year since 1994, and requests for the publication increase with each new edition. The information is compiled from data supplied to his office from a variety of federal and state agencies, private sector groups, and non-profit organizations.

"By compiling this information, we are able to provide state leaders, policy makers, and taxpayers a quick overview of how Texas compares to other states in dozens of categories," Sharp said.

Sharp's "Texas, Where We Stand" is published annually by the Comptroller's Research Division. It is available by writing P.O. Box 13528, Austin, Texas, 78711-3528, or by calling toll-free 1-800-531-5411, extension 3-4900.

"Texas, Where We Stand" and a variety of other Comptroller publications can also be found on the Comptroller's web site at <http://www.window.state.tx.us>.

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Clarify right to refuse to rent a dwelling to a drug addict or homosexual ('89 RV#425)	Oppose	Favor	_____
Require voter approval before a state income tax could be imposed ('91 RV#125)	Oppose	Favor	_____
Triple state legislators' salaries ('89 RV#537)	Favor	Oppose	_____
Require voter approval before property taxes could be raised ('93 RV#480)	Oppose	Favor	_____
Same medical protections for women seeking abortion as women seeking other medical procedures ('93 RV#425)	Oppose	Favor	_____
Drug test inmates for illegal drugs prior to parole ('89 RV#227)	Oppose	Favor	_____
Weaken the powers of the elected State Board of Education ('97 RV#223)	Favor	Oppose	_____

After a thorough analysis of the candidates, Free Enterprise PAC strongly endorses

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Precipitation Enhancement Program Ends; Earlier Start Considered For 1999 Program

Even though most of the area still needs moisture, High Plains Underground Water Conservation District officials ended the 1998 summer precipitation enhancement program on Sept. 30.

"The consensus of the High Plains Water District Board of Directors is that we do not need to add problems to an already stressed farming community by enhancing precipitation which might result in possible crop harvest delays," said Board President James P. Mitchell of Wolforth.

However, due to the extreme moisture deficiency within the five-foot root zone soil profile at the end of the growing season, Mitchell said the Water District may begin the program earlier next year to increase the possibilities of getting moisture into the soil profile for crop production.

"We can see some serious problems, especially for dryland farmers, if the 1999 crop season starts with the soil profile as dry as it is now or even drier. Farmers that irrigate would have to apply heavier amounts of ground water during pre-plant irrigation, and that could have a considerable impact upon the Ogallala Aquifer — especially after the heavy pumpage

that occurred during the 1998 irrigation season. It is for this reason that we are considering an earlier start to the 1999 precipitation enhancement program," he said.

Precipitation enhancement, or cloud seeding, is an attempt to encourage clouds to generate more rainfall than they would otherwise by introducing seeding agents, such as silver iodide. The silver iodide produces additional condensation nuclei to allow more cloud moisture to be converted to large raindrops that can survive the fall through the dry subcloud layer and reach the ground as meaningful rainfall.

Smoke from forest fires in Mexico until mid-July and persistent drought conditions reduced the opportunities for precipitation enhancement activities within the 10 million acre Texas/New Mexico target area this summer.

"There were a lot of smoke particles in the atmosphere as a result of the forest fires in Mexico. Because of this, the super-cooled liquid water in the clouds moving across the area glaciated, and the clouds would not release much precipitation. This eliminated many clouds as suitable targets for seeding," said Project

Meteorologist Aaron Gilstad of Weather Modification, Inc. in Fargo, North Dakota.

In addition, high pressure systems resulted in many cloudless days during the program. "Cloud seeding does not work at all on days when there is not a cloud in the sky," said Gilstad. "Unfortunately, we had more than our share of those days this spring and summer."

Mitchell added that the reduced opportunities for cloud seeding resulted in unused budgeted funds that can be used to start the precipitation enhancement program earlier next year.

The 1998 spring and summer precipitation enhancement program was sponsored by the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1, the Sandy Land Underground Water Conservation District, the South Plains Underground Water Conservation District, and the Llano Estacado Weather Modification Association of eastern New Mexico.

Dates Set For U.S. Census Job Testing

The U.S. Census Bureau has immediate openings for field staff positions in the Dawson, Lynn, and Borden county areas. Field work assignments consist of visiting communities and rural areas to visually check and update the accuracy of Census bureau maps and address lists. Field worker jobs pay an hourly rate of \$7.25 to \$7.50.

To qualify, applicants must pass a written exam of basic work skills. The exam only takes about 30 minutes. The application exam dates and sites are: Oct. 24, 1 p.m.; Oct. 26, 6 p.m. in the O'Donnell High School commons area, 400 Small Street.

For details about the exam or to get more information about job opportunities, phone the local census field office at 806-472-7009 or 806-472-7010, or call the Census Bureau's Recruiting Department toll-free in Dallas at 1-888-325-7733.

Canadian River Title Transfer Bill Clears Senate, Sen. Hutchison Announces

The Senate has passed legislation allowing the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority to pay its remaining debt to the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, enabling the title of the project to be transferred to the authority, U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison announced this week.

The bill passed the House of Representatives in August. President Clinton is expected to sign the measure within the next two weeks.

"Texas has had two severe droughts in three years," Senator Hutchison said. "This bill will get the federal government out of the water business in the Texas Panhandle and allow the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority to develop additional water resources to meet the needs of more than half-a-million people."

"This action is ground breaking," the Senator said. "Virtually no title transfer bills have been passed by Congress, and Canadian River was among the first."

"I have worked with Congressman Mac Thornberry for more than three years to transfer the Canadian River project to the people who paid for it," she said. "I am proud of Mac's leadership, the leadership of the authority's General Manager, John Williams, and many others who worked tirelessly to secure passage of this important bill."

The legislation allows the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority to pay the Bureau of Reclamation \$34 million, which is the estimated remaining debt owed by the authority. The original bill authorizing construction of the Canadian River Project allows the title to the pipeline and related facilities of the project to pass to the authority upon completion of repayment. The passage of this bill allows the authority one year to make the payment before acquiring title.

Only the pipeline system will be transferred to the Canadian River Authority. Lake Meredith and the Lake Meredith National Recreation Area will remain the property of the federal government.

Pumpkin Decorating Contest Set Oct. 31

A pumpkin carving/painting contest will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 31 in the Lynn County Courthouse to benefit "Christmas for Kids".

Entry fee for the contest is \$1.50 per pumpkin, with no limit on the number of entries. Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third places.

All pumpkins must be in the basement of the courthouse (use west entrance) no later than 1 p.m. on the day of the contest. Pumpkins not picked up by 4 p.m. that day will be disposed of. "Christmas for Kids" is a non-profit organization that provides Christmas gifts for needy children in Lynn County.

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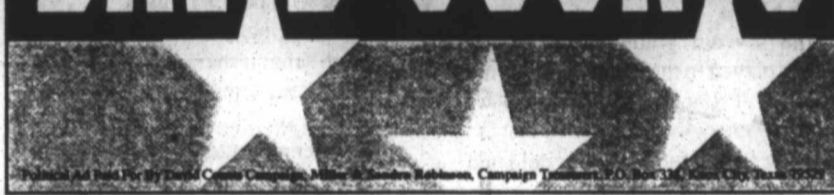
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The City of Tahoka is accepting bids for the purchase of one 1998 or 1999 pickup truck for the Water Department. Bid specifications are available from City Administrator Jerry Webster, Tahoka City Hall, 1612 Lockwood, Tahoka, Texas (phone 806-998-4211). Bids will be accepted until 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30, 1998.
The city reserves the right to reject/accept any or all bids. 43-1tc

BID NOTICE
In accordance with article 2372z, Section 1: Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be accepted by Lynn County Commissioner's Court in the County Judge's office until 4:00 p.m., Friday, November 6, 1998 to set for cash or certified check to the highest bidder:
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