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HARVEST FESTIVAL QUEEN CONTESTANTS - These lovely young ladies are currently selling tickets for a trip to Mexico to be given away at this year's Harvest Festival which will be held Saturday, Sept. 25. Vying for the title of queen are (front) Kelia Graves, Brandi Tekell, and Klyssa Kelln; and (back) Aimie Lopez, La'Shea Pridmore, Lana Cloe, and Kalah Bartley. (LCN PHOTO)

GTE To Sell Tahoka, Wilson, Other Texas Telephone Properties

GTE has agreed to sell more than 300,000 customer access lines in parts of Texas to dba Communications, LLC, including the Tahoka and Wilson service.

The transaction includes 197 of GTE's local telephone exchanges and 307,180 access lines in Texas. In Texas, 401 GTE employees will become employees of dba Communications at the closing of the sale. In addition, dba Communications will acquire 91,904 customer access lines in New Mexico.

dba Communications was formed by the private equity firms of Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe (WCAS), Vestar Capital Partners, and Citicorp Venture Capital in partnership with several prominent Hispanic-American investors with long-standing ties to the business community and governmental institutions in the Southwest.

Upon closing, dba Communications will be among the 20 largest local exchange companies in the United States, as measured by access lines.

This is the most recent agreement in GTE's previously announced initiative to sell approximately 1.6 million telephone lines in the United States. To date, GTE has agreements to sell more than 1.3 million access lines in 10 states.

Approval of the sale is required by the Texas regulatory commission, the Federal Communications Commission, and the U.S. Department of Justice. The closing of the sales and transfer of GTE operations to dba Communications are expected to be complete by mid-year 2000. Post closing, GTE will still own and operate wireline properties serving more than 1.65 million access lines in Texas.

Five-Cent Tax Increase Set By Commissioners

Lynn County Commissioners unanimously approved a five-cent tax increase Monday morning, raising Lynn County taxes from 59.4 cents to 64.5 cents per \$100 of property value. The tax increase funds the 1999-2000 budget which includes a five percent salary increase for all full-time county employees as well as elected officials.

"The county lost about six million dollars of our tax base, what with the land loss in Wilson [property sold to the City of Lubbock] and several businesses in the county closing," commissioner Don Morton said in discussions about the need for the rate increase.

The rate increase is the first in two years to be approved by the commissioners court.

In other business, commissioners approved monthly bills, and called for a Local Option Election to be held in the city of Wilson Oct. 9 (see story for details).

Present at the meeting were all four commissioners and Judge J.F. Brandon, and others.

Wilson ISD Trustees Approve Tax Rate Increase To \$1.556

A tax rate increase of 3.6 cents was approved by Wilson Independent School District Board of Trustees Monday, following a budget and tax proposal hearing. The increase puts the Wilson I.S.D. total tax rate at \$1.556 per \$100 of property value for the 1999-2000 school year.

Trustees set the Maintenance and Operation (M&O) tax rate at \$1.49, which is the portion of the school tax that is used to operate the district during the year. The interest and sinking rate (I&S), the portion used to retire existing debt service, was set at 6.6 cents per \$100, making a total tax rate of \$1.556.

"There are several factors involved in the rate increase," explained Superintendent David Pierce. "First, the recent sale of land in the district by Lubbock Christian University to the City of Lubbock removed a substantial amount of taxable property from the tax rolls. Second, new funding formulas from TEA (Texas Education Agency) forced an increase in the maintenance and operations area due to an attempt to maximize state aid. Third, the recent teacher pay raise was not funded by TEA in the Wilson district, forcing the district to come up with local money to cover the cost of the mandated raises," he added.

Election Set Oct. 9

Wilson Residents Get Second Chance To Vote On Beer, Wine Legalization

By JUANELL JONES

Citizens who reside within the city limits of Wilson will get their second opportunity to decide whether to allow the legal sale of beer and wine within their city, at an election to be held Saturday, Oct. 9. Lynn County Commissioners Monday called for the Local Option Election after Wilson resident Conner Parrish presented the court with a petition which met all the requirements of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Code (TABC).

Parrish prompted the first election for Wilson voters last August, when the legalization of beer and wine sales was rejected by voters, 101-66.

This time, Parrish believes voters may support the election. "I don't care to speculate, but I have 132 signatures on the petition [requesting the election], and we have a few more people who have moved into town. I believe the outcome may be different [than last year's election]," Parrish told *The News*.

The petition requesting this year's election has 132 signatures, of which all but three were confirmed as qualified signatures by the county voter registrar's office. Last year, Parrish brought a petition with 92 signatures, of which 82 were confirmed as qualified signatures.

The petition requesting the election must be signed by 35 percent (at least 70 people) of the 200 registered voters residing within the city of Wilson. After confirming the petition's validity and TABC rules and regulations at their regular meeting Monday morning, Lynn County Commissioners called for the election as set forth in the petition, and set the date for Oct. 9 at the request of Parrish. Robert Abbe Jr. was named election judge, and Parrish requested that Bridget Taylor, a resident of Wilson, be named as poll watcher.

Poll watchers, whose duties are to observe the election process to ensure procedures are done according to the law, may be requested at any election. Parrish told *The News* that he requested a poll watcher for the election because, he said, "last year a few irregularities were brought to my attention." He declined to list any specific irregularities, however.

Abbe, who was also election judge at last year's election, told *The News* that the election was conducted in accordance with the law.

Commissioner Mike Braddock made the motion calling for the election, noting that he was making the motion in accordance with the law requiring the county court to set an election when presented with a valid petition, and commissioner J.T. Miller seconded the motion. Braddock, Miller and commissioner Sandra Cox-Kizer voted in favor of

the motion, while Commissioner Don Morton, a resident of Wilson, abstained from voting. The election allows the voters, and not county commissioners, to decide whether to allow the sale of beer and wine within the city limits of Wilson. Funding for the election, however, must be paid from city coffers.

According to county records, an order of prohibition was passed in an election held June 5, 1915 in Lynn County which prohibited the sale of intoxicating liquor within the county. Last year's Local Option Election in Wilson was the first such election to be held in Lynn County. If approved by majority vote in the Oct. 9 election, beer and wine may be sold within the Wilson city limits by anyone with the proper permits, both packaged beer for consumption off-premises and by-the-drink service to be consumed on the premises. Parrish said that if the election passes, he plans to obtain licenses to sell by-the-drink and packaged beer and wine from The Country Store, which he and his wife own and operate. He said he also plans to apply for a license for a drive-thru operation.

"We want residents to know that we had no choice but to call for the election," commissioner Braddock reiterated to *The News*. "We [com-

missioners] would all like to have abstained from voting, but the law states that we have to call for the election, regardless of our opinions," he added. Public officials representing their constituents are required to follow state mandates when presented with valid petitions requesting certain elections. The process of calling for the election is merely a formality, once the legal requirements in requesting the election have been met.

State law mandates that the county commissioners, and not the Wilson city officials, call the election since a local option election may cross various boundary lines within the county. The petition could have requested a certain county precinct, but in this case was limited to within the city limits of Wilson.

Early voting will be conducted at Wilson City Hall, with City Secretary Susann Follis named early voting clerk. Dates for early voting will be listed in next week's *Lynn County News*.

Present at the meeting were all four commissioners, Lynn County Judge J.F. Brandon, Lynn County Treasurer Janet Porterfield, Wilson Mayor Jackie Bishop, Abbe, Parrish, and News representative Juanell Jones.

Letters To The Editor Requested On Beer/Wine Issue



Lynn County residents are invited to express their opinions on the legalization of beer and wine within the City of Wilson, which will be determined in an upcoming Local Option Election on Oct. 9. Letters to the Editor may be mailed or brought to The Lynn County News, P.O. Box 1170, Tahoka, TX 79373.

Letters must be signed and are subject to editing. Names are not withheld by request. Letters sent by e-mail are not accepted, as signatures cannot be affixed.

Accident South Of City Fatal To Lubbock Man

Joseph Bryan Litchfield, 24, of Lubbock died about three hours after a truck he was driving overturned on US 87 about 10 miles south of Tahoka Tuesday morning.

Investigating officers for the Dept. of Public Safety said Litchfield, driving a 1994 Freightliner went off the road into the median, overcorrected and the truck overturned about 8 a.m. He was the only person in the vehicle, which had been headed south.

O'Donnell EMS ambulance took the driver to Lynn County Hospital, and he then was transferred to Lubbock University Medical Center, where he was pronounced dead at 10:40 a.m.

DPS also investigated a one-vehicle rollover 2.5 miles north of Tahoka on US 87 just after 7 a.m. Friday, Sept. 10. A 1997 Pontiac Firebird driven by Dana Youngs, 19, of Midland overturned. The driver, alone in the car, was taken to Lubbock UMC by helicopter. She reportedly was released from the hospital Saturday.

Other reports processed by law enforcement agencies in the county during the last week included a minor collision in the city, domestic disturbances and fights, criminal mischief, burglary, city curfew violations and drinking-related incidents.

On Saturday in the 1600-block of S. 9th a 1980 Buick driven by Warren Amail Hardt III, 30, collided with a parked 1997 Chevrolet pickup owned by Mike Engle.

A 1995 Chevrolet Corsica owned

by Criselda Gonzales of Lubbock was burglarized after it was left parked on the shoulder of US 87 south of Tahoka Friday night. The man driving the car, Adrian Padilla, told officers the vehicle was left locked after it developed mechanical problems. Someone smashed a window to get into the car and took a CD changer, CDs, a pair of shoes and other items valued at \$680, and also damaged the car an estimated \$1150.

Another Chevrolet Corsica, a 1993 model, was also damaged and burglarized Friday night or early Saturday. It also had been abandoned by the side of US 87, just north of Tahoka. Owner was listed as Amanda Jane White of Tahoka. A window glass valued at \$150 was broken out; no items were reported stolen.

In jail during the week were 15 persons, three for grand jury indictment on driving while intoxicated, third offense or more, and one person charged with nine different violations: driving while license suspended, no liability insurance, failure to display drivers license, illegal registration of vehicle, expired registration, three counts of failure to appear, and excessive acceleration. Charges faced by other persons included application to revoke probation on charges of DWI, O'Donnell municipal warrants, DWI first offense, DWI second, driving while license suspended, possession of marijuana, deadly conduct, rider not secured by seat belt, Lubbock traffic warrants, public intoxication and no valid drivers license.

Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Sept. 8	89	67	
Sept. 9	85	63	
Sept. 10	90	63	
Sept. 11	96	66	
Sept. 12	84	68	
Sept. 13	78	59	
Sept. 14	80	60	
Sept. 15 a.m.			0.53"
Total Precip. for September: 0.98"			
Total Precip. year to date: 17.37"			
Total Precip. this time last year: 9.60"			

Enter the Weekly Football Contest in the Lynn County News!

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BEER, WHISKEY and college students have always been a bad mixture, but things have changed so much in the last 40-50 years that drinking by college students somehow doesn't seem so awful as it once did.

Drinking more than once a day is still a bad thing to do, though, whether you are a student or not.

Years ago, probably one out of five students (just a guess from my own college days) drank a lot, and most students didn't drink at all because they believed that drinking was immoral, they couldn't afford it, or they just plain didn't like the taste of it. And nobody used drugs.

These days, according to a recent survey, more than 40 per cent of college students engage in "binge drinking," defined as the consumption of at least five drinks at one sitting by a male and four by a female.

A Penn State student celebrating her 21st birthday recently was hospitalized with a blood-alcohol content level twice what normally sends a person into a coma. She had participated in a tradition of having at least 21 drinks during a 21st birthday bar tour.

If I were to try guzzling one alcoholic drink for every year of my life on my birthday now, I'd be dead before noon. Fortunately I stopped that practice after my third birthday.

What makes drinking by students seem not quite so terrible anymore is the relative addiction to drugs which has captured more and more students, at college and high school levels. It used to be really rare for someone to be taking drugs, even marijuana, so we thought the campus drunks were pretty bad. They still are, but drug use is even worse.

I HEARD an advertisement on radio last week which offered breast reduction surgery for men, "so they will look more masculine." No doubt enlarged breasts are a problem for a few males. I can think of about 11 different comments I could make on this subject, all of which will remain unwritten.

SOMEONE passed along this exchange between God and a student:

Dear God,
Why didn't you save the children of Littleton School?

Sincerely,
A Student

Dear Student,
I am not allowed in schools.

Sincerely,
God

Be A Part Of The Solution:

Community Meeting Monday To Focus On Solutions, Positive Changes For Tahoka

A community meeting focusing on solutions, rather than problems, has been set by the Tahoka Ministers' Fellowship next Monday, Sept. 20, at 7 p.m. at The Center for Housing and Community Development, South 2nd and Ave. K. Any citizen interested in helping work towards solutions for problems facing Tahoka is invited to attend.

The meeting will be led by the Tahoka Ministers' Fellowship, and is expected to be a positive encouragement of solutions to such issues as community cleanup around abandoned buildings, activities for youth and latch-key children, drug/alcohol prevention programs, and discussions of how to foster a sense of community pride. Other issues may also be discussed, and citizens are encouraged to put forth ideas for discussion.

"This meeting is an outgrowth of concerns we ministers have sensed in the community. We encourage community members to come pre-

pared to share ideas and to be part of a movement which desires to do positive things in the city of Tahoka and in the surrounding area," a spokesperson for the Ministers' Fellowship stated.

Sr. Citizens To Host Bake Sale

The Lynn County Pioneers (Sr. Citizens) will be having a bake sale at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 23 at Thriftway in Tahoka. Anyone wishing to donate baked goods may bring them to the sale table at Thriftway by 9:30 that morning.

Raffle tickets for the quilt to be given away at the annual Harvest Festival on Saturday, Sept. 25 will sold for \$1 each at the bake sale.

The senior citizens will also have a bake sale at their Harvest Festival booth and are seeking baked good donations for that sale also.



SUPREME BARON - Three-month-old Christian Aleman took home the title of Supreme Baron in the Lubbock Area Baby Pageant held last month at South Plains Mall in Lubbock. He placed first in Beauty, first in Photo and was honored as one of the Supreme Royalty winners. Christian is the son of Tony and Sandra Aleman of Lubbock. His grandparents are Armando and Trina Castillon, and Lupe Aleman, all of Tahoka.

Open House Planned Oct. 6 At TMS, THS

Tahoka Middle School and Tahoka High School will host an Open House on Wednesday, Oct. 6 from 5:00-6:30 p.m. Students are encouraged to invite their parents to school to visit with their teachers at that time.

Also on Wednesday, Oct. 6, the Title I Parent Meeting will be held from 6:00-6:30 p.m. in the school auditorium.

- This Week's Games -

- Tahoka at New Deal
- Ralls at O'Donnell (OHS Homecoming)
- Cotton Center at Wilson (WHS Homecoming)
- New Home at Groom

THS Class of '64 Sets 35th Reunion

The Tahoka High School Class of 1964 will have their 35 year reunion on Friday, Sept. 24. The reunion will be held at the Center for Housing and Community Development, located at South 2nd and Ave. K.

Activities at the center will begin at 5:30 p.m. with a meal and visiting until the homecoming game at 7 p.m. The reunion will continue after the game, and former classmates and friends are invited to come by and visit.

Reunion Set For THS Class of '69

The Tahoka High School Class of 1969 will host a 30 year reunion on Friday, Sept. 24.

Class members will ride on a float in the annual homecoming parade Friday afternoon and will host a party at the T-Bar Country Club before and after the homecoming football game.

For more information, contact Kent Powers at 795-5566.

THS Class of '79 Plans Reunion

The Tahoka High School Class of 1979 will hold their 20 year reunion Friday and Saturday, Sept. 24-25.

Events will kick-off Friday with registration for the annual Homecoming Program taking place from 12-1 p.m. in the foyer of the gym. The program follows in the gym at 1 p.m. The class will then gather at 2:45 p.m. to ride on a float in the annual parade and will have a section of seats at the homecoming game, which starts with pre-game activities at 6:45 p.m. A party at the Life Enrichment Center, 1717 Main Street, will follow the game.

On Saturday night, the class will gather for a reunion dinner to be held at 7 p.m. at the Life Enrichment Center.

For more information on reunion activities, contact Claudia Guin at 998-4888 or Cal Huffaker at 998-4863.



STORK REPORT

David and Naomi Ayala of Tahoka announce the birth of a daughter, Serena Yvonne, born at 4:11 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 4, 1999. She weighed 6 lbs. 5 oz.

Grandparents are Nick and Toni Aguirre, and Becky Rodriguez all of Tahoka.

Great-grandparents are Gregoria Aguirre, Lupe and Naomi Aleman, and Eliseo Torres, all of Tahoka and Mary DeAvila of Colorado.

Great-great-grandparent is Manuela Lopez of Tahoka.

Technically, the coin that we call a penny does not exist. At the U.S. Mint, it's officially called a "cent."

SPARTAN Open House, Bus Dedication Today

Many local residents use SPARTAN Public transportation. The Texas Department of Transportation allocated funds for an additional 22-passenger bus for Lynn County. South Plains Community Action Association, Inc. operates SPARTAN to provide rural residents the services of public transportation.

Dedication of the new 22-passenger bus will be part of the Lynn County Neighborhood Center Open House scheduled for Thursday (today) at 11:30 a.m. The special bus dedication ceremony will involve the Honorable J.F. Brandon, Lynn County Judge and representatives from the office of Senator Duncan, SPARTAN and South Plains Community Action Association.

Transportation services include local demand response service, Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and out-of-town transportation to and from Lubbock, Monday-Friday. The Lubbock route leaves Tahoka at 8:30 a.m. and returns at 4 p.m. Additional routes run between Tahoka and Lamesa, Brownfield, and Levelland.

Current plans are to provide extended service between Lubbock and Tahoka to address the needs of residents working in Lubbock. The extended service will be initiated as soon as a driver and vehicle can be identified.

Tahoka and Lynn County residents are invited to the open house and bus dedication. Refreshments will be served and courtesy rides will be offered from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

USTA Invites Sims To Speak At Convention

The Washington, D.C.-based United States Telephone Association (USTA) has invited Mickey L. Sims, General Manager and CEO of Poka Lambro Telephone Cooperative, Inc. to speak at its 102nd Annual Convention and Exhibition in San Francisco. Sims will speak on "Optimizing and Promoting Your Wireless Strategies" during the Oct. 17-19 meeting.

USTA is the largest trade association and forum for local exchange carriers like the small Poka Lambro to giant companies like Bell Atlantic and SBC Communications. The Association represents more than 1,200 companies by formulating national telecommunications policy, addressing relevant technological and regulatory issues, and finding solutions to specific telecommunications problems.

Sims has been General Manager and CEO at Poka Lambro since 1989. He is a former Director of the Texas Telephone Association, and is a Director and the former President of Alamo Cellular, Inc.

Labor leader Eugene V. Debs received nearly a million votes for president in 1920, while in prison on espionage charges.

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Paw Prints To Be Painted This Sunday

The Bulldog Booster Club will paint white paw prints this Sunday afternoon, at a cost of \$5 each. Call Carol Miller, 998-5215, to request paw prints on driveways, sidewalks, etc. Club members will meet at the high school gym parking lot at 1 p.m. to paint paw prints, and anyone interested in helping is welcome to join.

The Booster Club also has Tahoka caps available, for \$10 each, and snugg bugs, for \$25 each.

The club will sponsor tailgate parties at all home games.

Arousa Wins Football Contest With Tiebreaker

Ruben J. Arousa won last week's Lynn County News Football Contest, picking the closest tiebreaker score in the Dallas/Washington game to win the \$10 prize over Roy Jolly. Both had two misses on their contest entries. Arousa did not name one of the Secret Sponsors for the week, which would have doubled his prize money.

Secret Sponsors for the week included Cook Pump Service, First National Bank of Tahoka, Sandra Stringer Insurance Agency, Dr. Donald Freitag, and Lynn County News.

All entries each week are due by 4 p.m. Fridays at the News Office, and every contest entry will be entered in the grand prize drawing at the end of football season for a color TV.

NEW AT THE LIBRARY

False Accusations by Alan Jacobson

Dr. Phillip Madison has everything: wealth, power, and an impeccable reputation. Then, in the dark hours before dawn in a quiet suburb of Sacramento, the respected orthopedic surgeon is charged with double homicide — a cold-blooded hit-and-run that has left an innocent young couple dead. Blood evidence has brought the authorities to his door. An eyewitness has placed him at the scene of the crime. And Madison has no alibi.

Freeing himself from the closing jaws of justice isn't Madison's only struggle. The arrest has shaken the tenuous faith of his wife, Leeza, his friends, and his colleagues. Even his attorney has his doubts — until Madison's total disclosure leads to the gravest of suspicions: that he is not only the prime suspect in the brutal murder, he is also the prime target of a mysterious eyewitness, a seductive woman whose past has branded her a victim as well, and who has set in motion a chilling and malicious scheme. But to unveil her motives means exposing Madison's own startling secrets.

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TISD Trustees Approve 5-Cent Tax Increase, Reluctantly Nix School Prayer, Eye Short Shorts

By JUANELL JONES

It was a busy, and frustrating, night Tuesday for Tahoka Independent School District Board of Trustees, with topics ranging from a tax rate increase to a Supreme Court ruling about school prayer, and tossed in for good measure, a discussion about the school dress code relating to the length of girls' shorts, as well as other routine business.

A five-cent tax rate increase was approved with a 5-2 vote following a public hearing which several attended. The increase sets the Tahoka ISD tax rate at \$1.37. Trustees Ty Askew and Math Bartley, who said they would consider a 2.5 to 3-cent increase, voted against the motion, with trustees Greg Henley, Leighton Knox Jr., Carmen Chapa, Brad Hammonds and Joe Calvillo supporting the 5-cent increase in a motion made by Knox.

Marquita Scott, Chief Appraiser for the Lynn County Tax Appraisal District, explained how utility company valuations have dropped in the county, adversely affecting the tax collections for school districts in the county. Utility market values dropped 4.3 percent in Tahoka ISD, 4.2 percent in Wilson ISD, 12.4 percent in New Home ISD, and 14.1 percent in O'Donnell ISD.

Several questions were asked by visitors attending the public hearing. Frank McLelland asked trustees to explain the two-year benchmark as to state funding available to match tax dollars. Trustees had said at the previous budget hearing last month that if taxes were raised this year each penny would bring in \$7,785 in local taxes and the state would match it with an additional \$22,314, but that if taxes were raised next year no state matching funds would be forthcoming. Trustees said Tuesday night, however, that the rules have changed this year and that matching state funds should be available both years.

A question was also raised about surplus funds, and trustees responded that approximately \$1.6 million was in fund balance, and that the state liked for school districts to have at least three months operating funds in reserve. It takes approximately \$400,000 per month in expenses, Business Manager Ken Eudy said, which means at least \$1.2 million must be marked as reserve, and that \$1.6 million was about four months operating expenses.

Board President Greg Henley

noted that the \$5.7 million budget, which was approved last month, was deficit by \$140,885 at the current tax rate of \$1.32, and said that school salaries accounted for about 80 percent of the budget. Superintendent Jimmy Parker also said that local tax dollars only funded about 20 percent of the budget, with federal and state money funding 80 percent of TISD's budget. A five-cent increase would fund the budget with just over \$9,000 in the black, trustees said. The increase was also just slightly more than the effective tax rate, which would have been \$1.361.

One visitor, Tonda Freitag, asked trustees if they had considered raising the tax rate by more than five cents, as she related how Tahoka ISD compares with other area school districts.

"We are so low [in our tax rate] compared to other districts. If we want to have high quality schools, keep our low student/teacher ratios and good programs for our children, then we should consider raising our tax rate even more—I think our kids are important enough to make that kind of commitment," Mrs. Freitag said.

Henley said that the board had not considered more than a 5-cent increase. Trustee Hammonds said during board deliberation that historically Tahoka "just tries to stay even, not get ahead—every year we just try to catch up."

"The fact is, people, we have a low tax rate. What it comes down to is what we want our children to have and what we are willing to pay for," Henley said.

School Prayer

After the tax discussions, trustees considered other business, including a closed session conference with the district's attorney, Cal Huffaker, in regards to the school prayer issue. The Supreme Court has ruled that schools will not have prayer at school events, with the exception of graduation ceremonies. Traditionally, Tahoka football games have begun with a student-led prayer and trustees were considering how to address that issue. Upon returning to open session, the board president issued the following statement:

"We regretfully direct Supt. Parker to temporarily suspend school prayer, because of the decision reached by the Supreme Court. We are very much opposed to the decision of the court, and even though we

would very much like to have prayer, we cannot as responsible board members directly violate a court order. We hope the Supreme Court will reverse their decision, and are instructing our attorney to file a friend of the court brief which says we support school prayer at all activities. We will observe a moment of silence [at our football games], and we will seek legal means to get this law changed," Henley said.

Other Business

Trustees considered other routine business, giving approval for a textbook waiver and authorizing the superintendent to accept the best proposal for 30 computers for the elementary lab, which is being funded with a TIF grant. The ten-day rule for extracurricular activities was extended to 12 days, and Campus Improvement Plans were approved as presented. Monthly bills were approved, and Supt. Parker informed the board that a custodian had resigned and that position would be filled, and that elementary resource aide D'Aun Autry would be reassigned as supervisor of the new elementary computer lab.

Discussion heated up somewhat when the topic turned to the level of girls shorts at school, and several trustees said they had noticed the shorts were extremely short this year, and not in accordance with policy dictating fingertip length shorts. The issue was whether to enforce the policy as it is written, on all campuses, or to change the policy.

If enforced, principals and other school personnel may be sending students home to change clothes. The possibility of not allowing students to wear shorts at all was brought up, in order to eliminate the hassle of measuring shorts. The issue was also raised about the length of cheerleader uniforms, and athletic team shorts, and whether they would need to comply with the fingertip length rule.

No general consensus was reached by the board, and President Henley directed Supt. Parker to make the dress code an agenda item for the October board meeting.

Trustees will meet sometime before October for Level II board training, and the next regular board meeting was set for Oct. 14. The meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

All seven trustees were present for the meeting, as well as district administrative personnel and others.



HARVEST FESTIVAL PRINCESS CONTESTANTS - These young ladies are currently selling tickets for two bicycle giveaways and a Texas Tech vs A&M game weekend package, with the winner to be named Harvest Festival Princess at events to be held Sept. 25. Princess contestants are (back) Chelsea Terry, Marci Morales, Krista Cloe, Kerri Cowley, Kelee Harcrow, Sarah Blaylock, Brittany Mathis, Jennifer Salazar, Samantha Pridmore, and Kayla Quintero; and (front) Erica Villegas, Sarah Calvillo, Brittny Hair, Whitee Anderson, Brandi Merryman, Toni Murillo, Crystal Flores, Kourtney Sodd, Valerie Sosa, Wacie Barnett, and Samantha Santos.

1999 Harvest-Aid Guide Helps Farmers Maximize Profits From Their Cotton Crop

Maximizing profitability is a foremost concern of cotton producers, especially during low-price years. Getting the most dollars per acre this year is a No. 1 concern of producers rebounding from 1998's drought fore-shortened crop and that's where the 1999 High Plains Cotton Harvest-Aid Guide can help, said a cotton agronomist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"Weathering considerably reduces the dollar value of cotton lint unless producers take steps to protect both yield and quality potential," said Randy Boman, Extension Cotton Agronomist based at Texas A&M's Agricultural Research and Extension Center here. "This is a rebound year for most producers, so they need to get the highest dollar value possible from all the lint in the field."

"Even in a normal price or weather year, producers who use harvest-aids to speed harvest of a mature crop and to protect lint quality and yield potential often earn higher prices for their product. The best cotton prices typically occur early in the harvest season."

Helping producers achieve a successful early harvest is the goal for the 11-page guide written by Boman; Wayne Keeling, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station Systems Agrono-

mist; and Alan Brashears, Ag Engineer with USDA's Agricultural Research Service.

Several factors affect the usefulness and performance of harvest-aids from season to season, Boman pointed out.

"Warm, calm, sunny weather increases harvest-aid performance. Soil moisture should be relatively low, but sufficient to maintain active plant growth—without moisture stress," he said. "Soil nitrogen levels should be relatively low and plant leaves should be actively growing and uniformly expanded."

"Plants should have little or no secondary growth, a high percentage of open bolls in the 'cutout' stage and they should have shed some mature leaves."

At the other end of the spectrum, these field conditions can reduce the performance of harvest-aid chemicals:

- application under cloudy skies at temperatures below 60 degrees Fahrenheit;
- prolonged wet weather following application;
- plants still in the vegetative stage of growth, with low fruit set;
- moisture-stressed plants with tough, leather leaves;
- rank, dense foliage and delayed maturity caused by high soil moisture and nitrogen levels;

• poor spray coverage, incorrect sprayer calibration, or the wrong application rate.

The harvest-aids guide explains how to determine crop maturity and discusses the three types of harvest-aid chemicals—desiccants, defoliants and boll openers. It also provides tips on selecting and applying these chemicals, late-season insect management, harvesting a treated crop, and ways to prevent "sticky cotton" and other lint contamination.

The guide includes a treatment table that can help producers select the right treatment, or combination of treatments, based on crop maturity, yield potential and expected weather conditions.

"The 1999 guide includes updated information on chemical labels and more graphics," Boman said. "Knowing crop maturity is the key to successfully using harvest-aids. These chemicals won't speed crop maturity, but they can help producers get the most from their cotton crop—at harvest and at the mill."

The 1999 High Plains Cotton Harvest-Aids Guide is available under "Pest Management" <<http://lubbock.tamu.edu/ipm/AgWeb/index.html>> on the Lubbock Center's website, at South Plains County Extension offices and at the Lubbock center. Boman may be reached at (806) 746-6101.

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"If my people which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from Heaven, and will forgive their sins, and will heal their land."

II Chronicles 7:14

The greatness of our nation depends partially on how we love, teach, equip, prepare and discipline those of the next generation. The greatest textbook in doing this is the Bible. The same God that inspired the Bible can and will, inspire our youth.

It is a dangerous thing to train a generation mentally and neglect its moral and spiritual culture.

It has been estimated that, on the average, a child in a ten-year period receives about 170 hours of Sunday school teaching. It must be noted that, in the home, religious teaching is almost nonexistent. In the same ten-year period, the child will receive 12,000 hours of teaching in a public school where it is unlawful to teach religion.

12,000 hours to prepare a child for a short, uncertain existence. 170 hours to prepare him for eternity!

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Charlie Stice, pastor of Tahoka Trinity Church

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HOUSEKEEPING/LAUNDRY WORKERS AT TCC - This week is National Housekeeping and Laundry Week and workers at Tahoka Care Centers were honored by their employers. Pictured are (front) laundry workers Sylvia Riojas and Veronica DeLeon and housekeeper Missy Segovia; and (back) Department Head Vanisa DeLeon, and housekeeper Linda Hood. Not shown is housekeeper Lupe Rodriguez.

Tahoka Care Center News

by Maritia Barham

Tahoka Care Center has been busy with many activities going on inside and outside the facility. Residents and employees have had much to do.

Barbara, the activity director, has had more challenges with dominoes and board games this week than in the past. No one is telling much of the outcome, however, the residents are smiling a little more than the director. I have encouraged the residents to let her win every now and then. Thank you Barbara for your tireless enthusiasm while keeping up with the players.

This week is National Housekeeping and Laundry Week. The employees in the housekeeping/laundry department continue to exhibit their loyal efforts to make the facility a clean and safe place not only for our residents but for the employees and visitors. Hats of to our housekeeping/laundry employees. Thank you Vanisa DeLeon (Department Head), Linda Hood, Missy Segovia, Lupe Rodriguez (housekeepers), Veronica DeLeon and Sylvia Riojas (laundry) for your dedication and a job well done.

Tahoka Care Center will have a bake sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. this Friday, Sept. 17, at Thriftway. Anyone wanting to donate baked goods can contact Barbara at TCC. The proceeds will go to buy a popcorn machine and Christmas gifts for the residents. Any donations will be appreciated and welcomed. Thank you for your continuous support.

Donations this week: Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Pebsworth gave a donation for the popcorn machine. Gus Sherrill donated blackeyed peas. Mr. and Mrs. Wayland Craig gave a donation in memory of Lonnie Wood. We thank each of you for your thoughtfulness.

Upcoming events: Family Night will be hosted by Tahoka Trinity Church on Thursday, Sept. 23. Refreshments will be offered along with the instruments and good music. Come and enjoy the entertainment and fellowship with our family. Your camaraderie is treasured.

If you would like to help with our float for the homecoming parade, contact Barbara at 998-5018.

R.E. Lee Family Reunion Held

The R. E. Lee Reunion was held August 28-29, 1999 in the home of Jim and Mary Elrod in Tahoka. A weekend of visiting and a cookout was enjoyed by the 48 people in attendance.

The reunion was held by the children of the late Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Lee who moved to Tahoka Nov. 11, 1931 from Brownwood Texas. R. E. Lee died July 13, 1963 and Mrs. R.E. Lee died May 11, 1974. The couple had 10 children; Ruby Williams, Jack Lee, Willie Lee, Dwain Lee and E.M. Shorty Lee are all deceased. The remaining five sisters were all together for the reunion.

Those attending the reunion were Brad, Wanda, Christopher, and Brandi Brunson of Lubbock; Leslie, Craig, and Clark Jones, of Lubbock; Shane, LouAnn, Cheltzy, Chaz, and Dwain Chanler Lee of Breckenridge; Gladys Lee of Midland; Sheila Butler of Midland; Carrie Haas and William Thomas Haas of Holcomb, Kansas; Mary Lee of Garden City, Kansas; Lois Bagby of Tahoka; Dede Harper of Tahoka; Delbert and Louise Carpenter of Gustine; Helen Young of Tahoka; Mabel Spruiell of Tahoka; Raymond and Earline Bagby of Post; Darrell and Raeline Reece and Blaine, of Post; Mark, Tina, Ashley, and Amy Campbell of Dublin; Jim and Nita Curtis of Austin; Jimmy Curtis of Georgetown; Allen, Pan, Tonya, Michael, and Mitchell Elrod of Tahoka; Mary Elrod of Tahoka; Jack and Rosemary Sproles of Lubbock; Kevin Sproles of Tacoma, Washington; Sue Ballard of Lubbock; and Leon Sproles of Slaton.

The oldest person in attendance was Lois Bagby and the youngest was William Thomas Haas.

A great time was enjoyed by all who attended.

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Tax Rebates Up For State, Down For County

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander recently delivered a total of \$187.7 million in monthly sales tax payments to 1,097 Texas cities and 118 counties, a 3.9 percent increase over the \$180.5 million allocated in September 1998. Year-to-date, payments to cities and counties are running 6.2 percent ahead of last year.

"Sales tax collections continue to expand as Texas communities gain new businesses and new jobs," Comptroller Rylander said.

September sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected in July and reported to the Comptroller in August.

The news for Lynn County was not as good as statewide, with three cities receiving a total of \$5,951.29 this year versus \$8,077.31 last year for a loss of 26.32 percent. Tahoka showed the largest decrease (28.46 percent), receiving \$4,919.05 this year and \$6,876.45 last year. O'Donnell received \$672.87 this year as opposed to \$789.79 for the same period last year, for a decrease of 14.80 percent. Wilson received \$411.07 last year and only \$359.37 this year, resulting in a decrease of 12.57 percent.

Pages From The Past ...

by Vondell Elliott

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

O'Donnell Class Has 32 Members

Graduation exercises at O'Donnell get underway this Sunday night with the class sermon, and diplomas will be presented at final exercises on Tuesday night, May 19.

Carl Cain, minister of the O'Donnell Church of Christ, will deliver the class sermon Sunday night.

Dr. P.D. O'Brien, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Big Spring, will deliver the class address at graduation exercises Tuesday night in the O'Donnell High School auditorium.

Sarah Prather has earned the right to represent her class as valedictorian, and Marla Caswell, second ranking student scholastically, will be the salutatorian.

There are 16 girls and 16 boys in this year's Senior class, namely: Nell Blair, Marla Caswell, Patsy Cook, Shirley Crain, Portia Furlow, Fernella Graves, Patsy Jackson; Gloria Line, Sue Lott, Jo Ann McCrary, Helen Moreno, Sarah Thornton, Donna Vestal, Norma Prather, Sandra Cox, Dorothy Yocham;

Lanny Brewer, Sumner Clayton, Jerald Dickey, Billy Edwards, Bobby Everett, David Gary, Rodney Harris, Kenneth Mires, Price Parker, Danny Shaw, Neal Shaw, David Spraberry, Kent Thompson, Ray Beach, Charles Weatherford, Kenneth White.

Class officers are Neal Shaw, president; Lanny Brewer, vice president; Billy Edwards, secretary and treasurer; and Sue Lott, reporter.

Mrs. Nola Bolch is class sponsor.

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Wilson School Closing Friday

Wilson schools close Friday of next week with the graduation exercises in the school auditorium.

Class sermon exercises will be presented Sunday night when Rev. James P. Burnett, pastor of St. John Lutheran Church, will bring the message. Invocation will be by Rev. H.F. Scott, Baptist pastor, and the benediction by Rev. Harold Rucker, Methodist pastor. Mrs. Burnett will play the processional and recessional.

Valedictorian this year is Willie Pat Baxley, and the salutatorian is Kathleen Heinemeier.

Dr. Cary Southall will deliver the commencement address. Invocation will be by Rev. G. W. Heinemeier, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church; processional and recessional by Mrs. Burnett, and Tommy Stell will light the candles.

Special awards will be made by Principal W.T. Vardeman.

Supt. Johnny Clark Jr. will present the graduating class, and they will receive their diplomas from Clarence Church, president of the school board.

Following are members of the Wilson graduating class: Mary Balderaz, Willie Pat Baxley, Jimmy Blankenship, Barbara Brewer, Travis Brown, Robert Christopher, Nancy Cook, Linda Crowson, Glenna Dearmore, Conita Sue Fields, Mary Lou Hagens, Wanda Hagler, Carolyn Hall, Kathleen Heinemeier, Paul Henderson, Marvin Kaatz, Audrey Klaus, Melvin Lehman, Hazel Robinson, Jeanette Schneider, Birline Webb.

Processional and recessional will be played by Willie Pat Baxley. Invocation will be by Sandra Lumsden and the benediction by Billy Hatchell.

Jerlene Wied is the valedictorian and Pauline Dearmore is the salutatorian, and each will speak. Helen Schneider will present the class flower, Jerlene Wied a piano solo, and Larry Mears the class colors...

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New Home Plans Final Programs

New Home graduation exercises open with the class sermon program Sunday night in the First Baptist Church of New Home with the pastor, Rev. Hubert Austin, bringing the message.

Diplomas will be presented the graduates next Friday night...

Seniors will present their own class program based on the theme, "The Framework of Success."

Larry Edwards, valedictorian, will present "A Letter from a Self-Made Merchant to His Son." Walter Gasper, salutatorian, will present "Two Persons" ...

Members of the class are Jimmy Briggs, Jon Draper, Nick Ford, Zana Harston, Robert Nunley, Gary Roper, Wesley Dean, Larry Edwards, Walter Gasper, Rachel Hidalgo, Olin Poer, and Bobbie Swinson...

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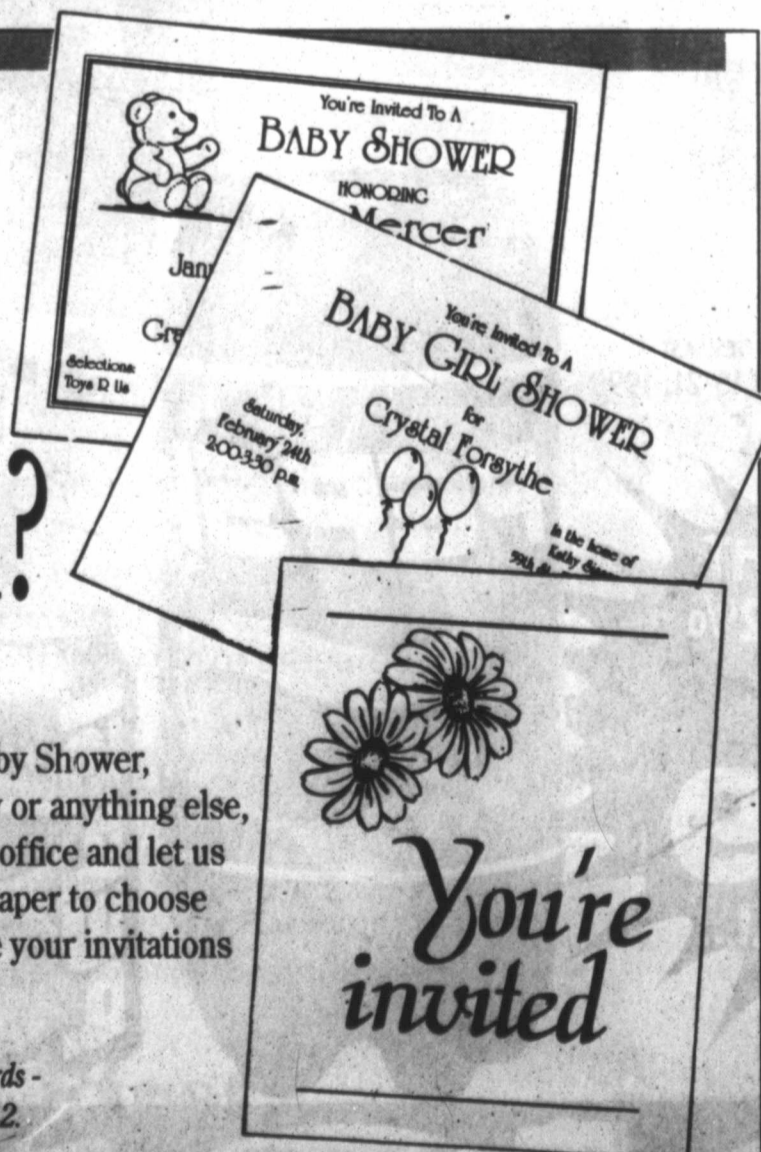
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Mistakes Cause Downfall In Bulldog Bid To Top Van Horn

By CASEY JONES

The Tahoka Bulldogs dug themselves a hole too deep to overcome in a 36-28 loss to Van Horn in Odessa Saturday. The Dogs fumbled the ball five times and threw two interceptions to account for a total of seven turnovers in the game.

Tahoka fell behind 19-0 early, but they battled back with 28 points in the final three quarters. Their late charge, however, came up just short at the final buzzer.

Randy White led all rushers with 12 carries for 264 yards and two touchdowns which went 69 yards and 10 yards respectively. Blandon

Hancock also chipped in with two touchdowns which were 11 yards each.

Tahoka will now take their 1-1 record into the lion's den for an encounter with the New Deal Lions. The game will take place on Friday, with kickoff set for 7:30 p.m. Tahoka's first home game will be Sept. 24, which is also THS Homecoming, as the Dogs host Idalou.

VAN HORN 36, TAHOKA 28

Tahoka	0	15	0	13	-28
Van Horn	7	15	7	7	-36

VH - Carrasco 8 run (Carrasco kick)
 VH - Garcia 30 pass from Reyes (kick failed)
 VH - Carrasco 46 run (run failed)
 TAH - White 69 run (Long kick)
 TAH - Hancock 11 run (White pass from Rainold)
 VH - Carrasco 35 FG
 VH - Durbin 4 run (Carrasco kick)
 TAH - Hancock 11 run (kick failed)
 VH - Carrasco 7 run (Carrasco kick)
 TAH - White 10 run (Long kick)

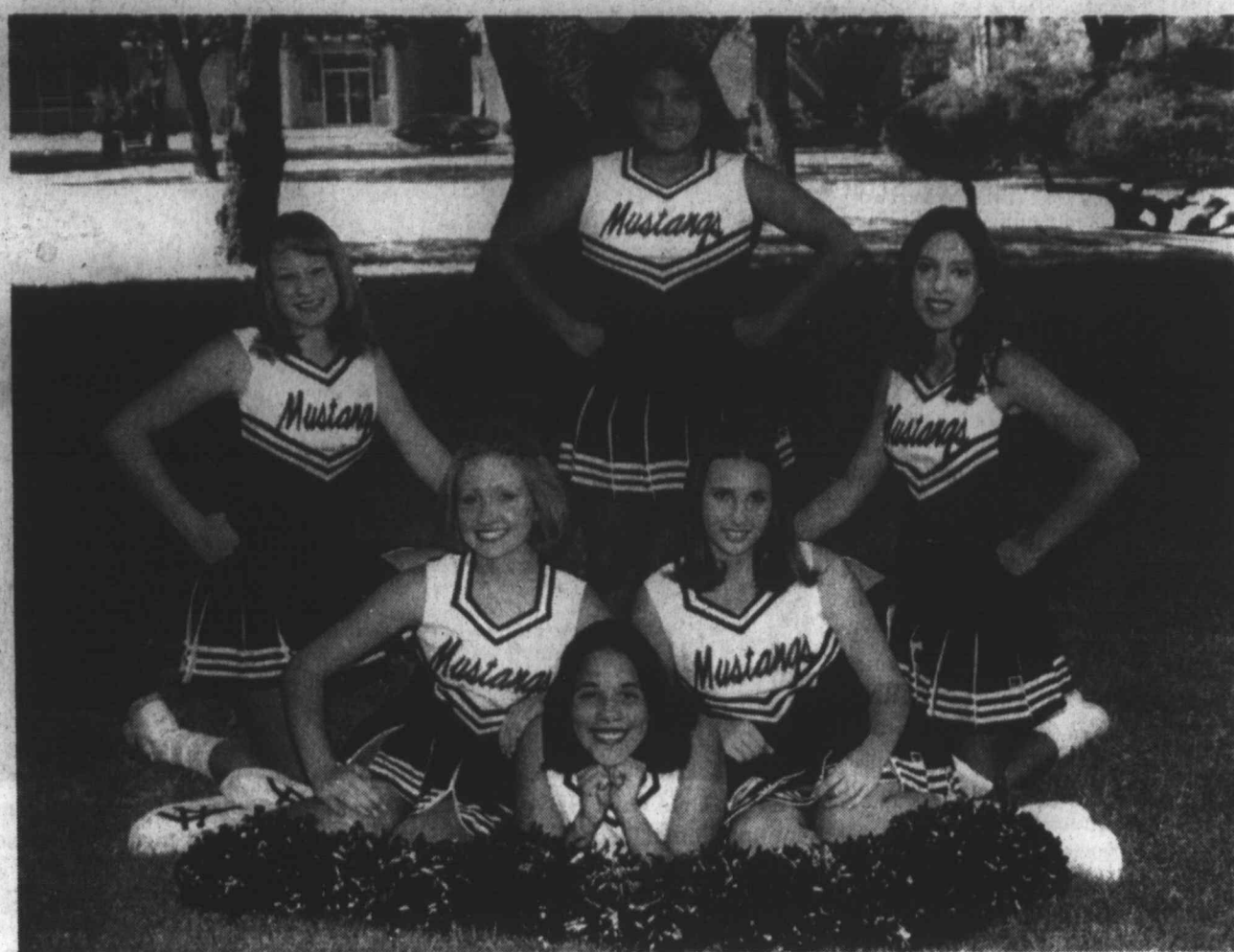
New Home School Menu

Sept. 20-24
Breakfast

Monday: French Toast Sticks, Choice of Juice, Milk.
Tuesday: Breakfast Pocket, Choice of Juice, Milk.
Wednesday: Cereal & Toaster Pastry, Choice of Juice, Milk.
Thursday: Chocolate Chip Granola Bar, Choice of Juice, Milk.
Friday: Biscuit/Sausage/Eggs, Choice of Juice, Milk.

Lunch

Monday: Manwich, Seasoned Fries, Baked Beans, Fruit Cup, Milk.
Tuesday: Frito Pie (K-6), Fiesta Salad (7-12), Refried Beans, Lettuce, Tomato, Fruit, Milk.
Wednesday: Sub Sandwich Bar, Pickle Spears, Baby Carrots, Orange Wedges, Fresh Fruit, Milk.
Thursday: Pizza, Lettuce, Tomato, Corn, Banana Pudding, Milk.
Friday: Hamburger or Cheeseburger, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles, Onion, Peanut Butter Bar, Milk.



WILSON VARSITY CHEERLEADERS - Leading cheers for the 1999-2000 school year at Wilson are varsity cheerleaders Briana Fields, junior; Victoria Flores, senior; and Carla Pabon, junior (back row); juniors Kameron Livingston and Amber Wilke (middle); and freshman Lizette Bloom (front).

Energas Requests Rate Adjustment From West Texas Customers

Energas Company recently filed a notice with 67 cities requesting \$9.8 million in additional revenues from its West Texas customers. This is the first request for a rate adjustment by Energas in more than three years. Energas has invested more than \$64 million in the West Texas division since 1996 to ensure the safety and reliability of the gas delivery system, enhance customer service and to expand its system for new residential and industrial customer growth.

If the request is approved, the average customer will see an increase of about 8.8 percent, or \$3.64, in their monthly gas bill. When annualized over the past three years, the current request reflects a 2.8 percent increase per customer, per year. "Our rates will continue to be among the lowest in the state and indeed among the

lowest in the nation," said Earl Fischer, President of Energas.

In addition to paying for the system's improvements and expansion, Energas also proposes to restructure its gas rates by separating the gas commodity cost from the utility's cost of service. Fischer said the proposal before the cities will enable Energas customers to more clearly distinguish between the cost of gas, which is currently a pass-through from suppliers, and the cost of service. The proposal to restructure gas rates will also have the effect of smoothing fluctuations in customer gas bills, which often occur in months when weather is colder and demand for gas heating is higher.

In addition to the expansion and improvements of the local gas distribution system, Energas expanded its West Texas presence in 1998 by locating its national customer support center in Amarillo. The center has brought 160 new jobs to the West Texas economy. The center provides customer support call service 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for 12 states.

"We're proud of our ability to provide low-cost, high-quality service to our customers, and the investments we've made in our system will ensure that our customers continue to receive excellent service. Natural gas is the safest energy source available, and these improvements are aimed at maintaining and enhancing our safe, reliable service to our customers," said Fischer.

Energas Company, a division of Atmos Energy Corporation of Dallas, provides natural gas service to more than 311,000 customers in West Texas.

The NEW HOME News by Karon Durham 924-7448

The varsity cheerleaders held Little Leopard Camp on Sept. 8 from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. Twenty-five campers participated in the event. The Little Leopards were taught a cheer, chant, a dance, and bleacher mania. They will perform at today's pep rally.

The JV and varsity Leopards will take on Groom tonight (Thursday) in Silverton. Games begin at 4:00 p.m.

All students at New Home schools should have brought home a new student handbook. The handbooks need to be read and pages 2-3 need to be signed and returned by Friday (Sept. 17).

Officers for the 1999-2000 Student Council have been elected. President is Tabitha Swartz and Vice President is Danielle Flores. Marsha Scott is STUCO sponsor. Following are representatives from each class. Seniors: Sponsors - Kimberly Crisler, Marsha Scott; President - Lexi Wied; Vice President - Cassidy Lisebmy; Secretary-Treasurer - John Gonzales. Juniors: Sponsors - Roger Aleman, Donna Wolfe; President - Rachel Alonzo; Vice President - Chantill Holler; Secretary-Treasurer - Courtney McNeely. Sophomores: Sponsors - Jason Gattis, Robin Youngblood; President - Keaton Askew; Vice President - Kaci Wied; Secretary-Treasurer - Shaun Wied. Freshmen: Sponsors - James Tabor, Shane Moore; President - Stephanie Kieth; Vice President - Miranda Rodriguez; Secretary-Treasurer - Vince McNeely. Eighth Grade: Sponsor - Treasure Thaggard; President - Lauren Wied; Vice President - Dylan Feaster; Secretary-Treasurer - Tanner Johnston. Seventh Grade: Sponsor - Terri Hymes; President - Tyler McAllister; Vice President - Jacob Tyler; Secretary-Treasurer - Evan Clem.



Go Leopards

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Wednesday: Pancakes, Applesauce, Milk.
Thursday: Sausage & Biscuits w/ Gravy, Juice, Milk.
Friday: Scrambled Eggs, Toast, Juice, Milk.

Lunch

Monday: Cheeseburgers, Fixin's, French Fries, Fruit, Milk.
Tuesday: Spaghetti w/Meatballs, Broccoli w/Cheese, Cornbread Sticks, Fruit, Milk.
Wednesday: Corndogs, Chips, Pork & Beans, Fruit (H.S.-Potato Bar), Milk.
Thursday: Delux Nachos w/Meat, Beans, Salad, Cheese, Pineapple Chunks, Milk.
Friday: Lasagna, Corn, Garlic, Bread, Fruit, Milk.



CINDY CHAPMAN Wilson Teacher Named To ATPE Board Of Directors

Cindy Chapman, a math teacher at Wilson High School, has been named to the Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE) Board of Directors. She will represent Region 17, a 20-county area that includes Lubbock County. The ATPE Board of Directors meets quarterly in Austin to make decisions for the 94,000-member educators' group.

Chapman is a graduate of Wayland Baptist University. She has been named to Who's Who of American High School Teachers and Outstanding Young Women of America.

"I hope my service will be beneficial to both my region and the further growth of ATPE," Chapman said. "I plan to make myself available to assist the local chapters in my region in any way possible."

ATPE is the largest educators' association in Texas. It also is the largest such non-union group nationwide. ATPE's membership consists primarily of classroom teachers, but also includes administrators, paraprofessionals, college students and retired educators.

Sims Announces Year End Results For RTFC

Mickey L. Sims, General Manager and CEO of Poka Lambro Telephone Cooperative, Inc. in Tahoka, continues to serve as President of the Board of Directors of the Rural Telephone Finance Cooperative (RTFC) and has announced the financing cooperative's year end financial figures. RTFC increased its loan portfolio from \$1.58 billion dollars to an impressive \$2.71 billion dollars, over a 75 percent one year growth milestone. Sims also states that the net margin (profit) of RTFC for the year was just over \$18 million dollars.

RTFC is a private financing company based in Herndon, Virginia, just outside Washington, D.C. that was formed in 1987 to provide financing for America's rural telecommunications industry. The cooperative is affiliated with the National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation.

RTFC is governed by an elected eleven member Board of Directors comprised of six rural electric utility leaders and five rural telecommunications leaders. Sims is serving his second year as President of the Board of Directors, and was elected to the RTFC Board in 1994. Poka Lambro and its affiliates are members of RTFC.

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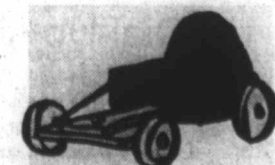


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OBITUARIES

Jo Tilley

Services for Jo Tilley, 68, of Garden City were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 14, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Alvie B. Stiefer, pastor of First Baptist Church of Garden City, and the Rev. Tom Barley, pastor of St. Lawrence Catholic Church, officiating.

Burial was in St. Lawrence Cemetery.

She died Saturday, Sept. 11, 1999, at her home.

She was born Jan. 10, 1931, in Tahoka. She married W.B. Tilley on Dec. 26, 1953, in Tahoka. She moved to St. Lawrence in 1972 from Tahoka and later moved to Garden City. She worked in construction. She was a member of the Senior Citizen Organization of Garden City. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Garden City and a member of St. Theresa Alter Society at St. Lawrence Catholic Church.

Survivors include her husband; a son, Danny of Big Spring; a daughter, Dana Henrichs of St. Lawrence; a brother, B.C. Corley of Wilson; a sister, Geneva May of Glen Rose; eight grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to Senior Citizen Organization, c/o Glasscock County Bank, Box 90, Garden City 79739.

Ima Ward

Graveside services for Ima Christine Ward, 88, of O'Donnell were held at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10, at Lamesa Memorial Park with the Rev. Ken Peterson, pastor of O'Donnell United Methodist Church, officiating.

Burial was under direction of White Funeral Home of O'Donnell.

She died Wednesday, Sept. 8, 1999, in Lubbock.

She was born May 28, 1911, in Hill County. She attended school in Hill County and Lamesa. She married Roy Dale Ward on Feb. 10, 1962. She moved to O'Donnell from Rosebud in 1976. She was a homemaker and a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband; a brother, Bill of Elida, N.M.; and a sister, Wilma White of O'Donnell.

Faye Reeves

Memorial services for Faye Pope Reeves, 58, of Lubbock were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 15, at First Baptist Church in Wolforth with the Rev. Mark McMillan officiating.

She died Monday, Sept. 13, 1999, at her home.

She was born Nov. 25, 1940, in Wellington. She moved to Lubbock in 1952.

She married Aubrey Reeves on Nov. 1, 1957. She worked most of her adult life with computers. She also was an artist, doing work with crafts, decorating and oil paints.

Survivors include her husband; two daughters, Robin West of Lubbock, and Becky Gass of Wilson; her mother, Dorothy Pope of Wolforth; a sister, Raye Anne Hawley of Odessa; a brother, Phil Pope Chase of California; and six grandchildren.

Lorene Paschal

Graveside services for Lorene Paschal, 62, of Paducah were held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 9, at Garden of Memories Cemetery in Paducah with the Rev. James Hooper, pastor of First Baptist Church in Paducah, officiating.

She died Wednesday, Sept. 8, 1999, at Childress Regional Medical Center in Childress.

She was born May 5, 1938, in Sulphur, Okla. She had been a long-time resident of Cottle County. She was a homemaker and a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors include a son, Keith of Tahoka; a daughter, Rita Evans of Paducah; seven brothers, Earl Votaw of Hillsboro, James Votaw of Amarillo, Ricky Votaw of Childress and Cecil Votaw, Barney Votaw, Jerry Votaw and Carl Votaw, all of Paducah; three sisters, Sue Piper and Laura Thomas, both of Paducah, and Ann Monks of Eufala, Okla.; and two grandchildren.

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Morris McClendon

Services for Morris McClendon, 75, of Lubbock were held at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10, in Resthaven's Abbey Chapel with the Rev. Scott Latham, associate minister of Springs United Methodist Church, officiating.

Entombment followed at Resthaven Mausoleum.

He died Tuesday, Sept. 7, 1999, at his home.

He was born Sept. 1, 1924, in Lubbock County. He graduated from Lubbock High and attended Texas Tech. He was a fighter pilot during World War II and the Korean War. He farmed in Lynn County from 1964 to 1989 and had been a resident of Lubbock and Lynn counties for most of his life. He married Ruby E. Greer on Jan. 29, 1945, in Grassland. She died Feb. 8, 1994. He was a member of Aldersgate United Methodist Church.

Survivors include two sons, Phil of Lubbock and Larry of Woodstock, Ga.; two brothers, Elmo of Omaha, Neb., and Jack of Greenville; a sister, Lurline Taylor of Lovington, N.M.; eight grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to Spring United Methodist Church Building Fund, 7302 Upland Ave., Lubbock 79424; or Hospice of Lubbock.

Senior Citizens MENU

- Sept. 20-24 Monday: Chicken Pattie on Bun, Fries, Peas & Carrots, Sliced Tomatoes, Fruit Salad. Tuesday: Turkey & Gravy, Cornbread Dressing, Green Beans, Wheat Roll, Grapefruit or Orange Sections. Wednesday: Pork Chops, Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Coleslaw, Rolls, Baked Apples. Thursday: Steak w/Onions, Scalloped Potatoes, Spinach, Cornbread, Berry Cobbler. Friday: Beef Enchiladas, Red Beans, Fried Rice, Tossed Salad/Ranch Dressing, Chips, Peaches.

Tahoka School Menu

- Sept. 20-24 Monday: Cereal & Toast w/Jelly or Donuts, Apple Juice, Milk. Tuesday: Cereal & Graham Crackers or Breakfast Pancake w/Sausage on a Stick, Fruit Juice, Milk. Wednesday: Cereal & Toast w/Jelly or Cinnamon Roll, Peaches, Milk. Thursday: Cereal & Biscuit w/Jelly or Sausage & Biscuit, Fruit Juice, Milk. Friday: Cereal & Toast w/Jelly Juice, Orange Juice, Milk. Lunch Monday: Meatloaf, Cream Potatoes, Pineapple bits, Sugar Cookie, Hot Roll, Milk. Tuesday: Sloppy Joe, Pinto beans, Coleslaw, Cherry Jello, Milk. Wednesday: Chicken Nuggets w/ Cream Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Chocolate Chip Cookie, Hot Roll, Milk. Thursday: Hot Dogs w/Chili, Pinto Beans, Pink Applesauce, Blue Bulldog Jello, Milk. Friday: Hamburger or Cheeseburger, Lettuce, Onion, Pickle, French Fries, Apple Cobbler, Milk.



NEW MURAL AT NEW HOME - Rhonda Timmons, a former student at New Home schools, was recently commissioned by the school district to paint a mural for the wall in the school cafeteria. Following completion of the mural, Mrs. Holder, cafeteria manager, adorned the tree with apples featuring the names of school employees.

Tahoka School News

Class Officers Elected by Mindi Tejeda Tahoka High School recently elected class officers. Brady Raindl has been elected to lead the senior class as president. Other senior class officers are Shayla Lawson, vice president; James Eudy, secretary; Jordan Sarchet, treasurer; and Jeff Antu, reporter. The junior class will be led by Amada Aguilar. Other junior class officers are Lezli Gandy, vice president; Chelsea White, secretary/treasurer; and Matt Sanders, parliamentarian. The sophomore class officers are Jon Luna, president; Lesley Chapa, vice president; Keely Boone, secretary; Chris McAllister, treasurer; Chelsey Miller, reporter; and Cory Gardner, parliamentarian. The freshman class president is Leigh McAfee. Other freshman class officers are Stephen Brookshire, vice president; Stephen Medel, secretary; and Kyndel Byrd, treasurer.

Student Council News by Tiffany Moralez The 22 members of Student Council will be sponsoring and assisting in activities during Homecoming week. Student Council will be sponsoring a door-decorating contest between classes. The classes will be decorating their class sponsors' classroom doors. Doors will be judged for cash prizes of \$40, \$30 and \$20 and must be completed by Tuesday at 8 a.m. Stuco members will also be in the gym foyer at noon on Friday, greeting returning exes prior to the homecoming program to be held at 1 p.m. Jon Luna, Student Council vice president, will serve as Master of Ceremonies at the Homecoming assembly. Student Council organizes the Homecoming parade which starts at 3 p.m. Parade floats will also be judged. Student Council and the Harvest Festival committee will be awarding cash prizes of \$50, \$40, and \$30 for float winners. Other Student Council officers are Lesley Chapa, secretary; Lezli Gandy, treasurer; Marissa McCord, reporter; and Sara Alvarado, parliamentarian. Senior representative is Jana Eudy. Junior representatives are Ryan Curry, Jason Jaquess and Michelle Martin. Sophomore representatives are Ren Ellis, Blandon Hancock, Mandy Sahders, Britt Sharrock and D' Lynn Stone. Freshmen representatives are Warren Baker, Kyndel Byrd, Britini Engle, Kellen Flowers and Kalese Hammonds. Executive council members are Kassidi Andrews, Klyssa Kelln and Amie Lopez.

Varsity Volleyball by Chelsea White The varsity Lady Bulldogs fell to Class 4A Plainview at a match hosted by Cooper High School last Saturday. The Lady Dogs went 8-15, 8-15 against the Plainview Lady Bulldogs. Lezli Gandy zoomed across four service aces in a row during the second game. Chelsea White slammed eight kills in the match. "Being without a net for seven days hurt us, but we were still able to give Plainview good competition," said Coach Shari John. The Lady Dogs traveled to Lubbock Christian on Tuesday and will face Colorado City this Saturday. JV Volleyball by Keely Boone After six games, including one tournament, the junior varsity Lady Bulldogs are 0-6. The ladies lost to Frenship 5-15, 7-15 the first game of the season. In the Trinity Christian Tournament, Plainview crushed the young Lady Bul-

Hospice Looking For Volunteers

Hospice of Lubbock is currently recruiting for the Fall Volunteer Training Class. All interested persons must complete an application and interview prior to the training class. Applications are now being accepted and interviews will be conducted through Sept. 17. Men and women of all ages are encouraged to become involved. To register for the Fall Volunteer Training Class, contact Brenda Threadingill at (806) 795-2751 or (800) 658-2648. Classes will be held Sept. 24-Oct. 7. There is a \$25 fee for training which helps to offset the cost of the training manual and course materials. Scholarships are available. After completion of the training, volunteers are asked to provide one year of service to the organization. While volunteers may choose to work in direct patient care or assist in the Hospice office, most opt to work with the patients and families. Typically, volunteers give two to four hours per week working directly with the patients and their families. Each volunteer works with one patient at a time. Hospice of Lubbock, the region's only non-profit hospice organization, provides care and support for the terminally ill and their families during the last phases of a patient's illness.

JV Football by Jana Eudy

The Tahoka junior varsity Bulldogs conquered the O'Donnell Eagles 36-18 last Thursday in O'Donnell. Quarterback B.J. Andrews passed 104 yards for two touchdowns caught by Josh Thompson and Brandon McCord. Andrews also ran in one for the Bulldogs. Other t.d.'s came from Tyson Harris, nine carries for 53 yards; and Thompson, who had 14 carries for 68 yards.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF LYNN DATED September 2, 1999, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Lynn County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 1611, and styled Lynn County Appraisal District vs. William Kelsey Hunt and Small Business Administration, Lienholder (In Rem Only), and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on September 2, 1999, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in October, 1999, the same being the 5th day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Tahoka, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M., on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Lynn and the State of Texas, to-wit:

138 Acres out of Abstract 560, E/2, Section 504, Block 1, EL & RR Co. Survey, Lynn County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 226, Page 219 SAVE AND EXCEPT Vol. 271, Page 427 of the Deed Records, Lynn County, Texas; All of N/80 Acres of SW/4 of Section 505, Block 1, Lynn County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 271, Page 429 of the Deed Records, Lynn County, Texas; or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgement for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgement for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs. DATED September 2, 1999, at Tahoka, Texas. By Jake Diggs SHERIFF, Lynn County, Texas /s/ Jerry D. Franklin DEPUTY 36-3c

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THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF LYNN DATED September 2, 1999, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Lynn County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 1955, and styled Lynn County Appraisal District vs. Jesus Martinez and Martha G. Martinez, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on September 2, 1999, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in October, 1999, the same being the 5th day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Tahoka, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M., on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Lynn and the State of Texas, to-wit: E75 5 53 OT TAHOKA, LYNN COUNTY, TEXAS being that property more particularly described in Vol. 277, Page 380 of the Deed Records, Lynn County, Texas; Lot 12, Block 4, North Tahoka Addition to the City of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 287, Page 125 of the Deed Records, Lynn County, Texas; or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgement for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgement for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs. DATED September 2, 1999, at Tahoka, Texas. By Jake Diggs SHERIFF, Lynn County, Texas /s/ Jerry D. Franklin DEPUTY 36-3c

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Emergency Farm Loan Applications Now Being Accepted At Tahoka FSA

Applications for emergency farm loans to cover losses caused by last May's excessive rain and hail are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency (FSA) office in Tahoka until May of next year. Lynn County is one of nine counties eligible for loans to cover part of actual production losses resulting from the rain and hail, according to Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman.

FSA Ag Credit Manager Curtis Barlow said farmers may be eligible for loans of up to 80 percent of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to continue in business, whichever is less. For farmers unable to obtain credit from private commercial lenders, the interest is 3.75 percent.

"As a general rule, a farmer must have suffered at least a 30 percent loss of production to be eligible for an FSA emergency loan," Barlow said.

Farmers participating in the Fed-

eral Crop Insurance program will have to figure in proceeds from this program in determining their loss.

"Applications for loans under this emergency designation will be accepted until May 24, 2000, but farmers should apply as soon as possible. Delays in applying could create backlogs in processing and possibly over into the new farming season," Barlow said.

FSA is a credit agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. It is authorized to provide disaster emergency loans to recognized farmers who work at and rely on farming for a substantial part of their living. Eligibility is extended to individual farmers who are U.S. citizens and to farming partnerships, corporations or cooperatives in which U.S. citizens hold a majority interest.

The FSA office in Tahoka is located at 2002 South 2nd, and is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Homecoming, Cotton Festival Set This Weekend In O'Donnell

Plans are being finalized for O'Donnell's annual Homecoming activities and Cotton Festival to be held this weekend.

Festivities will kick off Friday with a pep rally at 2:45 p.m. at the school. The annual homecoming game has the Eagles taking on Ralls Jackrabbits at 7:30 p.m. Young ladies vying for the title of 1999 Homecoming Queen are Jessica Jaime, Carol Castillo, and Michelle Rios.

A parade at 10 a.m. Saturday will get things started for the annual Rotary sponsored Cotton Festival. The festival will feature entertainment, booths, merchant giveaways, a

domino tournament, and a blood drive. Booths open at 10 a.m., with O'Donnell's "Citizen of the Year" award to be presented at 10:30 a.m.

Jenae and Sabra Willis will present a synchronized trampoline performance. The sisters will represent the United States at the World Tumbling and Trampoline Competition in South Africa Sept. 24-Oct. 5.

The annual Ex's Banquet will be held at 6 p.m. in the school cafeteria with the Class of 1949 as honored guests. All ex-students are invited to attend. Cost for the catered meal is \$10 per plate.



SCARECROW SAM SUPPORTS THE LIBRARY - This well-read scarecrow shows his support for the City-County Library by reading the latest children's book. The scarecrow, made and donated by Jan Orr, is part of the Library's annual Silent Auction to be held at the Harvest Festival, Saturday, Sept. 25. The City-County Library is currently accepting donations for the auction, which may be dropped off at the library or given to any library board member. (LCN PHOTO)

Pages From The Past ...

by Vendell Elliott

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

Honor Students Are Announced

Velma Ruth Howell, with a grade point average of 96.12 is valedictorian of the Tahoka Senior class for the session of 1948-49. Joan Slover having a grade point average of 95.95 is salutatorian. The third highest student is Elsie Havens, having an average of 95.00.

Other honor students are Belva Dee and Elva Lee Lowrance, Bobby Boyd, Jan Edwards, Mary Draper, Ripple Venable, Duane Carter, Jimmie Small, Robert Adamson, Myrla Holcomb, Gerald Wayne Tippit, Nancy Cobb, and Margaret Durham. The names of these students will be placed on the commencement program. Selection of honor students was based on a 90 and above average of the individual's junior and senior year grades in high school.

Stansell Clements, district attorney from Lamesa, will be the speaker at the Commencement Exercises to be held next Friday, May 20, at 8:00 o'clock p.m. in the high school auditorium.

Senior exams were given Wednesday and Thursday of this week. Monday, May 16, will be the annual Senior Day which the Seniors will spend in Lubbock with their sponsor, Mrs. Charles A. Stewart... May 13, 1949

Final Exercises Of Tahoka Schools Are Scheduled

Diplomas of graduation will be presented 41 graduates of Tahoka High School at the commencement exercises being held in the school auditorium tonight (Friday) at 8:00 o'clock.

The Honorable Stansell Clements of Lamesa, the new district attorney, will deliver the class address.

Other special numbers on the evening's program area a vocal solo, "A Perfect Day" (Bond) by Wanda Faye Smith, accompanied at the piano by Myrla Holcomb, and a piano solo, "Hungary" (Koelling), by Velma Ruth Howell. These are members of the class.

Mrs. Marcus Edwards will play for the processional and the recessional; Rev. C. T. Aly, Baptist pastor, will give the invocation, the speaker will be introduced by the superintendent Vernon Brewer, the diplomas presented the graduates by R.H. Gibson, president of the school board; and Rev. C. A. Holcomb Jr., Methodist pastor, will give the benediction....

Class officers are: Duane Carter, president; Bennie Lou Pridmore, vice president; Wanda Faye Smith, secretary; Myrla Holcomb, treasurer; Mary Draper, reporter; Gerald Wayne Tippit, yell leader; Velma Ruth Howell and Wendell Huddleston, Student Council representatives; and Mrs. Charles Stewart is the class sponsor....

Those who will receive diplomas are: Robert Dean Adamson, Eldon Akin, Carroll T. Aly, Bobby Keith Boyd, Billy Bradshaw, Sue Nell Carpenter, Duane Carter, Nancy Ann Cobb, Jane Donaldson, Mary Draper, Margaret Durham;

Jane Edwards, Bobby Lee Franks, Harvey Freeman, Marilyn Fuller, Wanda Gaither, Nancy Gill, Elsie Havens, John Henry, Josephine Hinkle, Myrla Holcomb, Lura Mae Howell, Wendell Huddleston, Lois Fern Kelly, Belva Dee Lowrance, Elva Lee Lowrance;

Laylan McMaran, Douglas McNelly, Francis Morgan, Billie Ruth Paris, Bennie Lou Pridmore, Lois Sue Ramsey, Lula B. Reed, Joan Slover, Jimmie Dumas Small, Wanda Faye Smith, Gerald Wayne Tippit, John Toler, Ripple Venable, Billy Ed Ware and Raymond Wilson...

May 20, 1949

NEW AT THE LIBRARY

Carnal Innocence
by Nora Roberts

World-famous concert violinist Caroline Waverly is burned out and has just broken up with her lover. She hopes a stay in her late grandmother's house in Innocence, Mississippi will provide the tranquility she needs. What Caroline doesn't know when she arrives in Innocence is that a brutal killer has been claiming the lives of the town's most attractive women, leaving lifelong neighbors wondering if the culprit is a stranger lurking in the bayou, or someone right next door.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
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DATED September 2, 1999, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Lynn County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 1956, and styled Lynn County Appraisal District vs. Jerry Wayne Meeks, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on September 2, 1999, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in October, 1999, the same being the 5th day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Tahoka, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Lynn and the State of Texas, to-wit:

All of Lot 3 and the east 1/2 of Lot 4, Block 15 of the Roberts Addition to the City of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 216, Page 687 of the Deed Records, Lynn County, Texas.

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgement for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgement for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

DATED September 2, 1999, at Tahoka, Texas.

By Jake Diggs
SHERIFF, Lynn County, Texas

/s/ Jerry D. Franklin
DEPUTY
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COUNTY OF LYNN

DATED September 2, 1999, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Lynn County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 1975, and styled Lynn County Appraisal District vs. S. R. Pena, Jr., and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on September 2, 1999, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in October, 1999, the same being the 5th day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Tahoka, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Lynn and the State of Texas, to-wit:

Lots 1 thru-4, Block 18, Shook Addition to the City of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 202, Page 159 of the Deed Records, and Vol. 189, Page 643 of the Deed Records, Lynn County, Texas.

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgement for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgement for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

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DATED September 2, 1999, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Lynn County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 2045, and styled Lynn County Appraisal District vs. Mrs. Neely Brooks AKA Elsie Dee Brooks Individually and as Surviving Spouse of Neely Brooks, Dec'd, Harry F. Carpenter and Belinda S. Carpenter, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on September 2, 1999, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in October, 1999, the same being the 5th day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Tahoka, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Lynn and the State of Texas, to-wit:

Lots 11 through 15, Block 71 of the North Tahoka Addition to the City of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 182, Page 633 of the Deed Records, and Vol. 43, Page 539 of the Probate Records, Lynn County, Texas.

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgement for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgement for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

DATED September 2, 1999, at Tahoka, Texas.

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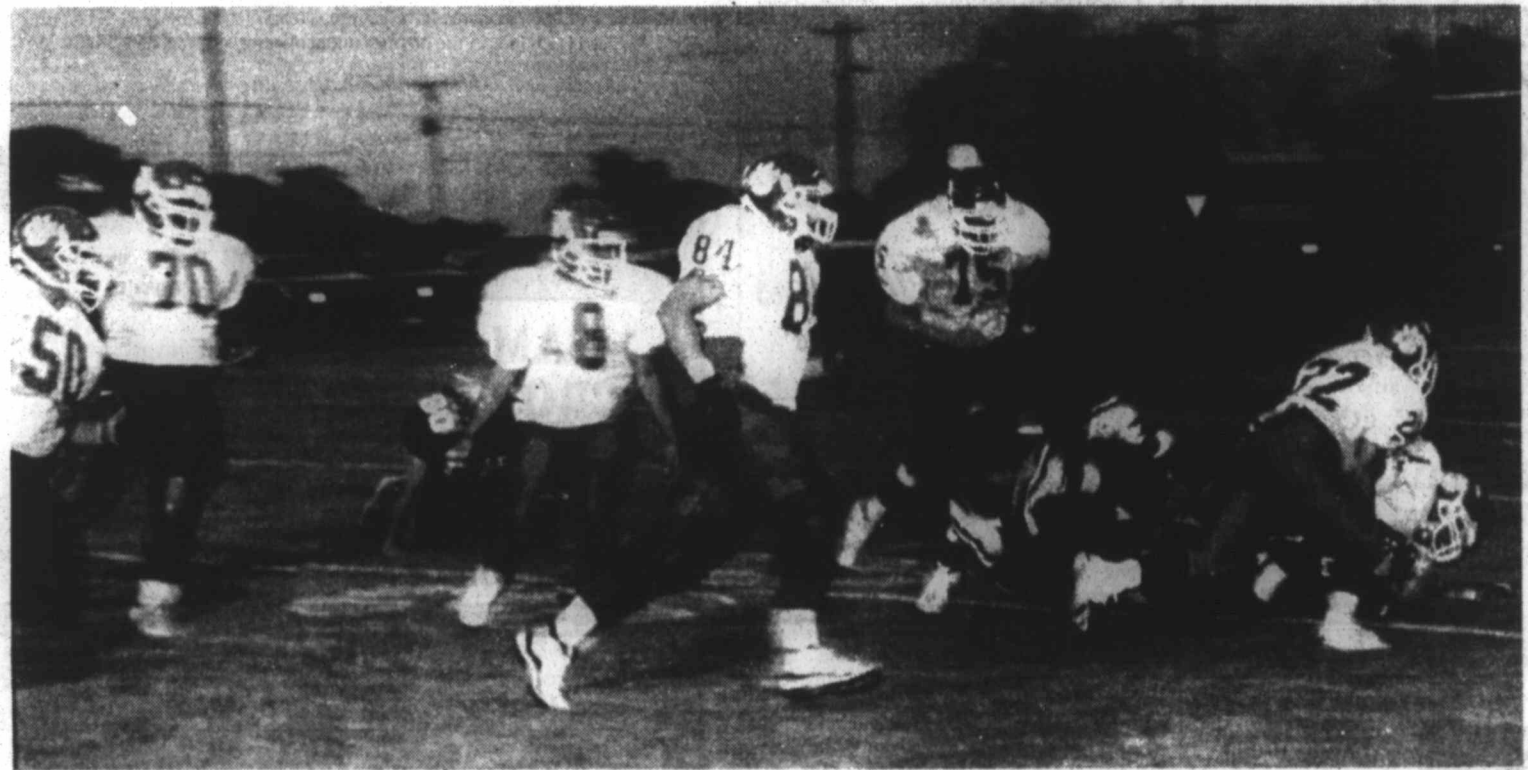
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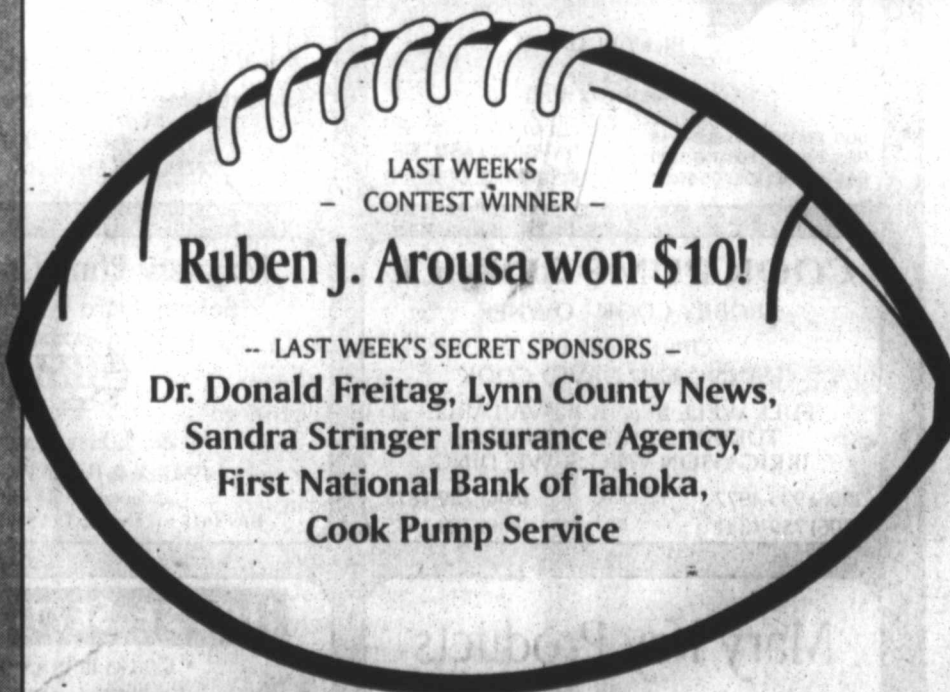
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