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NOTICE

All Visitors Must Obtain School Pass At Tahoka ISD

Tahoka Independent School District is initiating a new policy for all campus visitors this week, in light of the recent school shootings in the news in other states. Effective immediately, all visitors to the school, including parents, salesmen, and all other visitors, must first stop at the front office of any school campus building to obtain a visitor's pass.

"I apologize for any inconvenience this may cause, but school officials must be aware of who is in the building at any given time," said Troy Hinds, High School Principal. "All except front doors of campus buildings are locked for security reasons, and we will be checking passes for anyone at the campus who is not a student or staff member," he explained.

"We are making this effort to become more security conscious, and we are insisting that all visitors - no exceptions - must check in at the front office before going anywhere else on campus," he reiterated.

FOOTBALL FRIDAYS

Friday, Oct. 6

Tahoka (open date)
Wilson (open date)
New Home at Lorenzo
O'Donnell at Wink

Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Sept. 27	89	54	
Sept. 28	72	58	
Sept. 29	89	54	
Sept. 30	92	55	
Oct. 1	87	58	
Oct. 2	90	64	
Oct. 3	88	64	
Total Precipitation Sept:			2.96"
Total Precipitation Aug.:			4.49"
Total Precipitation July:			3.36"
Total Precipitation June:			0.95"
Total Precipitation May:			2.27"
Total Precipitation April:			1.01"
Total Precipitation Mar.:			1.36"
Total Precipitation Feb.:			0.02"
Total Precipitation Jan.:			Trace
Total Precip. Year to Date:			16.42"

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THS Homecoming Queen and Court ... Jessica McLelland (third from left) was crowned Tahoka High School Homecoming Queen during pre-game ceremonies at Friday night's football game. A junior at THS, she is the daughter of Frank and Jeni McLelland. Other candidates were, from left, Jaci Hammonds, senior, daughter of Brad and Kim Hammonds; Cori Vega, sophomore, daughter of Abraham and Lisha Vega; and at right, A'Leesha Truelove, freshman, daughter of Joel and Laurie Truelove. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

Harassment, Threat Reports Investigated By Local Officers

Law enforcement officers in Lynn County last week dealt with cases of threats made by a juvenile, a report of sexual harassment, and liquor law violations.

Roger Martinez, 42, of Tahoka was arrested on a recent grand jury indictment charging felony driving while intoxicated.

Police investigated a report of threats made by a 12-year-old boy to another juvenile at the Tahoka football game Friday night. The boy and his mother were to appear before juvenile authorities early this week.

A Tahoka woman in her late 30s told police Friday she had been sexually harassed by a Tahoka teenager she wanted to file charges against. She also said she had had sex with the youth on two occasions.

Seven persons were added to the list of jail inmates during the last week, for these violations: possession and delivery of marijuana in a drug free zone, theft by check, application to revoke probation on conviction for driving while intoxicated first offense, driving while license invalid, possession of marijuana under two ounces and unlawfully carrying a weapon.

Total number of jail inmates early this week was 48, with 12 held for Garza County, five for Gaines and one for Lubbock County.

In September, dispatchers at Lynn County Sheriff's Dept. processed 265 calls, including 128 for the county, 102 for City of Tahoka, 17 for O'Donnell police, 15 ambulance calls and three fire alarms.

Jaci Hammonds Named Harvest Festival Queen

Lynn County residents were enticed to the Courthouse square in Tahoka Saturday with a full day of activities at the 31st annual Lynn County Harvest Festival, including the crowning of Jaci Hammonds, 17-year-old daughter of Brad and Kim Hammonds and a senior at Tahoka High School, as the 2006 Harvest Festival Queen. She will receive a \$4,000 scholarship, the largest scholarship the Harvest Festival has offered in its 31-year history, upon her admittance to college after her high school graduation.

First runnerup in the Queen contest was Amy Barrera, another THS student, daughter of Amanda Barrera. She will receive a \$2,000 college scholarship. The second runnerup was Jeni Hammonds, twin sister of Jaci, who will receive a \$500 scholarship.

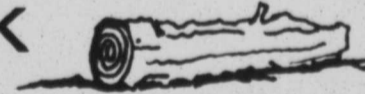
In the first-ever Harvest Festival King contest, O'Donnell High School senior Andy Miers won first place and a \$2,000 scholarship. He is the son of Ben and Debbie Franklin and Scott and Amy Miers. Two Tahoka High School students were runners-up in the contest, with 17-year-old Josh Deleon awarded a \$1,000 scholarship as first runnerup, and 17-year-old David Hernandez awarded a \$500 scholarship as second runnerup. Deleon is the son of George and Patty Deleon, and Hernandez is the son of Caprece Hernandez.

Tahoka fourth grader Alyssa Pesina was crowned Harvest Festival Princess, based on ticket sales in the princess contest, and she was awarded a \$1,000 savings bond. She is the daughter of Raymond and Rosalinda Hernandez. (See Harvest Festival, pg. 2)



Harvest Festival Queen ... Jaci Hammonds (center), a Tahoka High School senior, was crowned Lynn County Harvest Festival Queen with a \$4,000 scholarship prize. First runnerup was Amy Barrera (right), and second runnerup was Jeni Hammonds (left). (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

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by dalton



SOMEBODY bought a few Coca-Colas in little plastic bottles, instead of the usual cans, for the office refrigerator not long ago, and when I saw them, I remembered that we used to drop peanuts into bottled Cokes when I was a kid, and I liked being able to eat and drink all at once.

So I got a can of peanuts and since then have on occasion been enjoying this almost forgotten pleasure. You can drop peanuts into a Coke can, but they are a lot harder to get out while you are drinking.

There are some other food combinations we used to try regularly years ago which most people no longer even consider. For example, although we still eat cornbread with red beans, when we were youngsters we would mash the cornbread and beans together with a fork before eating the combined mess.

Seems to me I used to eat cornbread in buttermilk, too, but today that doesn't sound like it would be very good.

I also used to eat a piece of cheese with an apple, and still do, sometimes. Years ago, my wife saw me doing that and thought it was awful. But then she tried it and decided it wasn't too bad, although I never have seen her eating that combination since.

When I was about 12, I used to go get several slices of bread after school and smear them with mustard, then eat them all. I admit I had a troubled childhood.

I have never eaten a mixture of peanut butter and ketchup.

THE SENIOR CITIZEN on 6th St. says the older you get, the fewer things seem worth waiting in line for.



Eagle Royalty ... Krista Hernandez, center, was crowned Homecoming Queen at O'Donnell High School on Friday, Sept. 29. She is the daughter of Norma and Raymond Ramirez and Brad and Robyn Williams. Two other candidates were nominated, all seniors at OHS. At left is Kay Lyn Jacobsen, daughter of Tim and Traci Cox and Gary and Stella Jacobsen, and at right is Bianca Calzada, daughter of Oscar and Sissy Calzada. (LCN PHOTO by Vondell Elliott)



Fun at the Parade ... These two cute kids rode a lawn tractor in the THS Homecoming Parade held Friday, Sept. 29. The News was unable to identify the children.

Phebe K. Warner CLUB NEWS

Phebe K. Warner Club met in the home of Suzanne Baker September 12 with thirteen members present. The meeting was called to order by President Barbara White.

Rebecca Ingle requested members to up to work at the Harvest Festival and to sign up



Happy 18th Birthday, Joseph!
Love -- Mom, Dad and Wedo

for the food item they would bring for the booth.

It was announced that members will meet at the Tahoka Cemetery on Nov. 7 to place flags on Veterans graves.

Stephanie White, the Maurice Bray Scholarship 2006 recipient, presented the program and thanked the club for the scholarship.

Phebe K. Warner Club met with the O'Donnell Study Club Sept. 27, with eight members from Tahoka, for a program about Cal Farley's Girlstown. Robert Marshall, administrator of Girlstown, introduced three young women, who told of their time living in the homes. Girlstown places a strong emphasis on building healthy relationships of learning to love people and loving God in a Christ-centered environment.

Volunteer and help others -- it will do your heart good!

Questions and Answers of the Day

Proverbs 8:13; Luke 12:5; Acts 10:2; Psalms 103:11; Psalms 103:13; Matthew 10:28; Leviticus 25:36; I Samuel 11:7; II Samuel 23:3; II Kings 17:32-39; Exodus 20:20; Genesis 20:11; Genesis 42:18; Leviticus 19:14

Question: Are we to fear God?

You know God says we are. In Exodus 20:20 it says "And Moses said unto the people, Fear not: for God is come to prove you, and that His fear may be before your faces, that ye sin not."

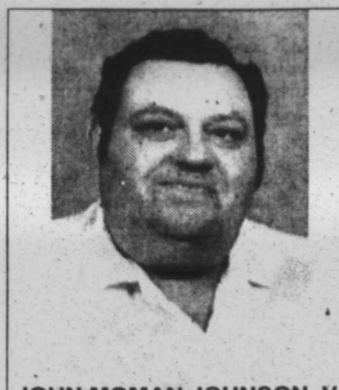
Moses was saying "fear not" - meaning that they feared because they had been sinning. They even worshipped other gods that the Egyptians had introduced to them. Sure, they were fearful, because God worked enormous miracles and even physically manifested in front of Moses. God was delivering a mercy message so long as they stopped what they were doing and lived Godly lives. The fear of Him would keep them living the life God wanted them to live. They were to fear. In Psalms 103:11 "For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is His mercy toward them that fear Him." Psalms 103:13 "Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear Him." (Mercy.) If we love our Lord first and most, the fear of Him makes us closer to Him. He is merciful, loving, kind and everything right and perfect.

To love Him is a privilege, a joy, an honor and the most wonderful thing. It is so wonderful I could never attempt to explain it the way it is in its fullest. I fear God, and I have peace in my heart and inner joy because of it. He is the one who decides our eternal destination. He is the one who decides every aspect of our lives. When God is angry, no man can match His wrath. Then again no man can match His love and mercy either.

In Jesus name. May God bless you.

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OBITUARIES



JOHN MOMAN JOHNSON, V

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Services for John Moman Johnson, V, 65, of Lubbock were held Saturday, Sept. 30, 2006 at White Memorial Chapel in Lubbock, officiated by Richard White. Interment followed in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park, under the direction of White Funeral Home.

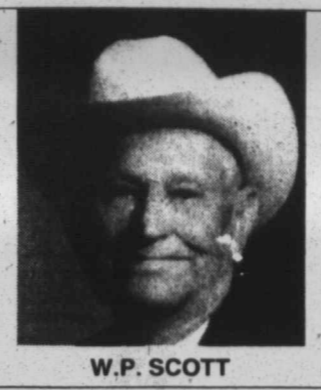
He died Thursday, Sept. 28, 2006. He was born on June 30, 1941 in Lamesa, Texas to John and Josephine (Russell) Johnson IV. He graduated from Monterey High School and on August 17, 1963 married Wanda Nell Green in Lubbock. His occupation was a tire salesman and he was active as a Boy Scout Leader and a member of Fellowship Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife, Wanda, in December 2004.

Survivors include a son, Butch Johnson of Denver City; two grandchildren; one great-grandchild; one brother, Clifford Johnson of San Antonio and three sisters, Billie Scoggins of Lubbock, Veta Ford of Tahoka and ElVoyne Duckett of Camp Verde, AR.

The family suggest memorials be made to Hospice of Lubbock, 1102 Slide Rd., Ste. 3, Lubbock, Texas 79413 or Boy Scouts of America South Plains Council, 30 Briercroft Office Park, Lubbock, Texas 79412.

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W.P. SCOTT

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Services for W.P. Scott, 90, of Tahoka, were held at 2:00 p.m. Monday, Oct. 2, at the First United Methodist Church in Tahoka with Rev. Jeff Bayley officiating. Interment followed in Nevels Memorial Park in Tahoka under the direction of White Funeral Home of Tahoka.

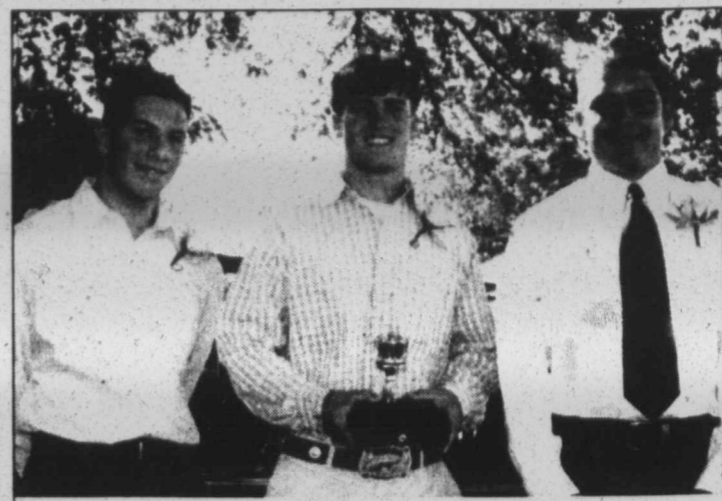
He died Thursday, Sept. 28, 2006 at Lynn County Hospital. He was born May 28, 1916 in Merkel, Texas to Jesse and Arvie Scott, who both preceded him in death. He married Pearl Phillips in 1935, in Sweetwater. She died in 1997 after 62 years of marriage. They moved to Tahoka in 1936. Mr. Scott retired in 1972, after many years as a farmer and rancher. He was a 50-year member of the Masonic Lodge in Tahoka.

Survivors include one son, Kenneth Scott and wife Marquita of Tahoka; two daughters, Joan Billings and husband Tom of Seagraves; Wilma Faust and husband Bob of Lubbock; 9 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren, and a very good friend, Rose Scott of Lamesa.

Memorials may be sent to the Lynn County Senior Citizens at 1600 South 3rd, Tahoka, Texas, 79373.

New Home Bombs Dawson 52-6

New Home Quarterback J.H. Whitten threw three touchdown passes and Billy Kirk scored three touchdowns, including two by recovering onside kicks, as New Home blasted Dawson 52-6 last Friday.



Harvest Festival King ... Andy Miers (center), a senior at O'Donnell High School, was named the first-ever Lynn County Harvest Festival King at Saturday's event. He won a \$2,000 scholarship in the contest. Josh Deleon (right) of Tahoka won a \$1,000 scholarship as first runnerup, and David Hernandez (left) of Tahoka won a \$500 scholarship as second runnerup. (LCN PHOTO)



Top Four Princesses ... The Lynn County Harvest Festival Princess and top three runners-up are shown here, from left: Coy Mercer, 3rd runnerup; Taylor Roberts, 2nd runnerup; Alyssa Pesina, Princess; and Elizabeth Locke, 1st runnerup. All are students at Tahoka Elementary School. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

Senior Citizens MENU

October 9-12

Monday: Steak fingers, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, apple crisp
Tuesday: Baked chicken w/ mushrooms, au gratin potatoes, green, rolls, brownies w/ cool whip
Wednesday: Pot roast w/ potatoes, carrots, onions, salad, rolls, pina coloda cake
Thursday: Hot dogs, w/ or without chili, cheese, onions, relish, chips, peaches and ice cream
Friday: Tilapia fried fish, cole slaw, potato salad, blackeyed peas, tarter sauce, hush puppies, strawberries and bananas

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Letter To The Editor

Pride Corps Thank Businesses

Tahoka Elementary Pride Corps would like to thank these businesses for their donations to get the Box Tops For Education started this year with some very nice prizes to the students and teachers. With their help, we have already had a good start on our box tops for this year. Thank you again to: Thriftway, PJ's, DVD Express, Paris 'N' Bloom, Cowlicks Barber Salon, Broke Key Inv., Fenton Insurance, Tahoka Drug, Lucy Me. and Lynco Automotive.

We sent off the end of last years Box Tops for Education in September and our school will be receiving a check for \$390 this month. Thank you again to everyone for all your help. Also, we want to thank everyone that took the time to sign up on the internet. We will be getting extra cash for that as well.

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31st Annual Lynn County Harvest Festival

A big crowd gathered at the Courthouse Square on Saturday, Sept. 30, 2006



(center), a first-ever event. He won a \$500 prize as first place. (CN PHOTO)



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Pretty Princess candidates!



Cadillac Jack band played for the festival



Harvest Festival Princess
Alyssa Pesina
wins a \$1000 Savings Bond!



Harvest Festival Queen
Jaci Hammonds
wins a \$4,000 Scholarship!



Brit Lockaby won the hearts of the Starz crowd!

Thank You! ... to all those who made the 31st Annual Lynn County Harvest Festival a success!

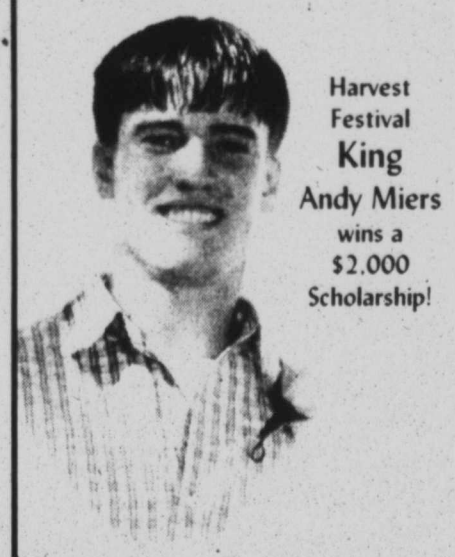
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SPECIAL THANKS ...
to all the candidates in the Harvest Festival Queen Contest, King Contest, Princess Contest and Starz Contest for supporting the festival with your hard work in ticket sales. Without your support, the annual festival would not be possible.

THANKS ...
to Cal Huffaker, Master of Ceremonies for the Festival; Wayne Jeffcoat, for the barrels; Lynn County Officials, for use of the Courthouse grounds.

SAVINGS BOND DONORS:
First National Bank of Tahoka
Wilson State Bank, Wilson & Tahoka
Thanks to Lyntegar Electric for the trailer.



Harvest Festival King
Andy Miers
wins a \$2,000 Scholarship!



Harvest Festival Queen Candidates



King candidates

Sausage Line! Steve Sherrill cooks at the Rotary Booth



Starz Singers at the Harvest Festival ... Shown here are all the performers in the Lynn County Starz 15-and-under singing competition at Saturday's Lynn County Harvest Festival. They are, in front from left, Madison Lockaby, Brit Lockaby, Sarah McClendon, Dakota Earnest; and in back from left, Morgan Lockaby, Trey Daves, Karleigh Porterfield, Sabrina Morales, Taya Bishop, Taryn Bishop, Analisa Jobe, and Lindsey Lane. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

**Old Mill Trade Days
This Weekend In Post**

Old Mill Trade Days at the historic Postex Mills in Post is planning a special weekend with activities for the entire family.

"We're always a great place to shop and eat good food, but this event, October 6 - 8, we have extra things planned," explained Rosa Latimer, General Manager. "We'll have the pony rides and an old stage coach ride for

the kids and Dish network football for sports fans of all ages. We'll also be giving away 4 tickets to the Texas Tech/University of Texas football game. You can register in the Weaving Room for these tickets and winners will be announced Sunday afternoon."

Kids from preschool to 6th grade can also pick up entry information for the "Why I Love Christmas" art contest.

**Tahoka High School
Teacher of the Six Weeks**



Rachel Lehman

Mrs. Rachel Lehman has been with TISD for six years and is an asset to the students of Tahoka. A graduate of Texas Tech University, she teaches English 3, monitors the college English class, helps students craft the school yearbook, photographs class events and is a Freshman class sponsor. She is also on the Leadership Team and is just one of the many great teachers at TISD schools.

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**St. Joseph Annual
German Sausage
Festival Set**

The St. Joseph 37th Annual Sausage Festival in Slaton will be held Sunday Oct. 15 from 11:00 to 3:00 p.m. Take-outs will be available.

On Saturday Oct. 14, German sausage and jalapeno sausage will be sold by the pound from 9:00 to 12:00 noon.

The sale and festival will be held at the St. Joseph Hall at 218th and Division Street in Slaton. For more information call Pat Kitten at 828-3379 or the St. Joseph School at 828-6761.

**BULLDOG
Booster
Club News**

Bulldog football athletes have open dates this week. The season resumes with district play for the 7th & 8th graders and JV on October 12, and our Varsity Bulldogs resume with district play at home on October 13.

There will be no meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 10, but will resume the next week. All parents and community members are encouraged to attend.

Powder Puff football games are scheduled for Thursday, October 5, at 7pm at Kelley Field. Come out and support your favorite class!

**Tahoka
SCHOOL MENU**

**October 9-12
Breakfast**
Monday: NO SCHOOL
Tuesday: Sausage patty w/ toast
Wednesday: Cinnamon rolls
Thursday: Blueberry mini-loaf
Friday: Breakfast sandwich
Lunch
Caesar salad and PBJ sandwich offered daily as an entrée.
Monday: NO SCHOOL
Tuesday: Enchiladas, refried beans, tossed salad, cinnamon apples
Wednesday: Teriyaki chicken, rice pilaf, English peas, pineapple tidbits, roll
Thursday: Taco salad, corn, fruited gelatin, brownie
Friday: Hamburger, lettuce, tomato, pickles, baked beans, crispie cereal treat

**Help Sought In
Organizing Teen
Driving Commission**

The Region 17 Teen SUMMIT is a non-profit organization led by high school students that provides a day-long summit each year to encourage students to live positive lifestyles and plan for their futures. At this year's planning meeting in September, Bryson McCarty from Shallowater asked for help in trying to start a Teen Driving Commission since there have been so many accidents involving teenage drivers.

Shallowater High School, Bryson McCarty, and his Student Council Sponsor, Cynthia Couch held a community meeting on September 18 to try and get advice on starting the Commission.

McCarty invites all interested persons to attend the next planning meeting on Monday, October 16 at the Region 17 Education Service Center in Lubbock at 6:30 pm. Anyone from the South Plains area is invited to attend, as advice is being sought from law enforcement, health professionals, and any other persons interested in making young people safer drivers.

**TSTA-PAC
Endorses
Joe Heflin**

The Texas State Teachers Association announces its endorsement of Joe Heflin in the general election for State Representative District 85, which covers 16 counties in West Texas. This is the open seat held by Pete Laney, who is retiring after serving 33 years in the House of Representatives, including 10 years as speaker of the house.

In making the announcement, TSTA President Donna New Haschke said, "We are proud to endorse Joe Heflin for State Representative because his support for public education indicates he will be a strong and effective advocate for our children's schools, teachers and school employees." House District 85 has more than 40 independent school districts, and public schools are critical to the life and success of each community.

In addition to the TSTA endorsement, Heflin has been endorsed by the bipartisan Texas Parent PAC and Texas Farm Bureau AGFUND.



On campaign trail ... Jay Napper, Democratic candidate for 106th District Judge, greets David Van Oss, Democratic candidate for Texas Attorney General, at the Lynn County Courthouse Tuesday morning. Van Oss stopped in Tahoka to campaign for the AG seat, speaking at the courthouse to interested residents about the proposed Trans-Texas Corridor and how the AG's office should protect Texas landowners from losing their farm/ranch land to the project through imminent domain practices, which he believes is against the Texas constitution. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)



Launch Time ... Tahoka Quarterback J.T. Thomas (14) launches a pass which fell incomplete against Floydada, as Taylor Beedy (10) of the Whirlwinds rushes. Floydada spoiled Tahoka's homecoming 42-7. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

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As Crosby County Judge, Joe Heflin cut his office budget 30% and never voted for a tax increase. And his bipartisan approach to leadership proved successful when he and Senator Robert Duncan teamed up to save the only hospital in Crosby County.

A NATIVE WEST TEXAN
Born in Morton, Joe is the son of a schoolteacher and the grandson of farmers. A graduate of Texas Tech University School of Law, today Joe is a small-town, full-service attorney. He and his wife, Linda, are active in the Baptist Church, where he served on the church missions committee and she served as a disaster relief volunteer.

A VOICE FOR WEST TEXAS
Joe Heflin understands the challenges facing our communities, and he knows that high sales taxes, gas prices, health care bills, utility bills and college tuition are putting a financial squeeze on our family budgets. Joe will work to solve our problems and fight to stop the insider deals that benefit only the special interests of a few in Austin. And you can rely on Joe to vote for investing more state money into our public schools and against taking money from West Texas public schools to pay for private school vouchers in big cities.

"Joe Heflin has the experience to be a strong, independent voice for the people of our District. Nelda and I hope you will join us in voting for Joe on November 7th."
- Former Speaker of the House PETE LANEY

**EARLY VOTING BEGINS OCT. 23
ELECTION DAY IS NOV. 7**

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Homecoming at New Home ... New Home School celebrated Homecoming the week of September 25-29. At halftime of the football game on Friday against Dawson, which the Leopards won 52-6, the homecoming court was presented. Pictured are: Candidate Freddy Tello, King David Nevarez, Queen Rayley Parmer, Attendant Allison Gibbins, candidates Daniel Ford, Hailey Wilkinson, Natalie Bruton, Sarah Ussery, Tyler Nieman and Attendant Billy Kirk.

Harvest Festival Turtle Race Winners Named

The Harvest Festival Turtle Race competition was well attended by area children last Saturday morning, with children bringing turtles of all sizes to the courthouse grounds for the races.

Bentley Harbison was the Overall Champion and also had the Best Dressed Turtle in the overall competition.

Following is a list of winners in seven heats, with children listed first, followed by the names of their turtles.

Heat 1: Kara Larpenner, Herbi; 1st: Jaden Antu, Lightning. 2nd: Braden Stone, Roscoe. 3rd: Shelby Meeks, Bling Bling. 4th: Kinsey McCullough, Blue. 5th.

Heat 2: Bryson Stone, Boss Hog. 1st: Mikalah Stroope, Stinky. 2nd: Brady Brown, Red Dingo. 3rd: Sarah Crank, Corvette. 4th: David Ehlert, David. 5th.

Heat 3: Garrett Ehlert, Flubby. 1st: Krystal Cardenas, Rainbow. 2nd: Shane Wiseman, Mr. Green. 3rd: Qualyn Stroope, Tiny. 4th: Katie Crank, SSR. 5th.

Heat 4: Bentley Harbison, Turtlerola. 1st: Kasey Hoyle, Fuzzy. 2nd: Tamaya Stroope, Scrappy. 3rd: Kaycee Swinford, Happy. 4th: Jayda Rosas, Cinderella. 5th.

Heat 5: Katie McCullough, Crosser. 1st: Caleb Wiseman, Speedy. 2nd: Warren Taylor, Spider Man. 3rd: Johnny Rosas, Bulldog Power. 4th: Sarah Harbison, Diamondback. 5th.

Heat 6: Tucker Brewer, Raider Red. 1st: Karlie Swinford, Bop. 2nd: Sterling Allen, Kitty. 3rd: Quincy Harbison, Booster. 4th: Natalie Taylor, Daisy. 5th.

Heat 7: Damien Colon, Hawk. 1st: Ethan Foshee, Shelly. 2nd: Jackson Harbison, Harry. 3rd: Laura Henderson, Shelly. 4th: Caleb Erickson, Batman. 5th.

Grade Cort Fisher and Nicole Taylor. Sixth Grade: Cynthia Flores, Swade Hammonds, Alex Hinds, Efrain Ramirez, Keaton Stice, Taya Bishop and Kayla Hall.

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Starz ... Ira White-Kelly of Post (and a THS-ex), left, won first place in the Lynn County Starz 16-and-older singing competition at the Lynn County Harvest Festival Saturday. Kristie Calvillo of Tahoka, center, won second place, and at right is Tiffany Gary of Wolforth, who won third. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)



Singing Starz ... Shown here are the winners of the Lynn County Starz 15-and-under singing competition at Saturday's Lynn County Harvest Festival. Morgan Lockaby of Tahoka, left, won first place; Lindsey Lane, center, of Lubbock won second; and Analisa Jobe of Lubbock placed third. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

Tahoka ISD Honor Roll Listed

Honor Roll for the first six weeks for Tahoka Elementary is listed as follows.

Perfect Attendance: Pre-K, Trenton Anderson, Gabriella Diaz, Gracie Escobedo, Kade Hurt, Eric Jimenez, Marisol Morin, Soul Moore, Jonathan Renteria, Ry'lee Vega, Nicodemus Ayala, Corcon Bailey, Eric Calvillo, Nadalie Carrasco, Charlie Conner, Riley Cook, Alexander Herevia, Laliana Morin, Jayda Rosas, Braden Stone, Cameron Tekell, Brodi Webster, Makannah Engle, Joey Herrera, Ryan Isham, Walter Kahl, Aaron Oliven, Noe Olveda, Marcos Pedroza, Andrew Saldana and Tristen Stice. Kindergarten Perfect Attendance- Dalton Chapman, MyKeah DeLeon, Jaden Garcia, Dannielle Hernandez, Adrian Montez, Maritza Morin, Ethan Quisenberry, Alexandria, Salinas, Manuel Soto, Shalee Williams, Naziah Cauley, Marisol Delacruz, Matthew Diaz, Alyssa Dotson, Corbin Escobedo, Danalyn Garcia, Ka'lynn Green, Halli Harris, Peyton Lowdermilk, Shelby Meeks, Callie

Nevill and Alexa Ramero. First Grade- Chris Benavides, Trejan Easter, Sebastian Pedroza, Austin Ramero, Cheyenne Rios, Eric Saldana, Natalie Stice, Bryan Williams, Nicholas Arce, Brayden Castillom, Brandon Farrell, Timothy Garcia, Adriana Gonzales, Patrick Herrera, Kyle Jones, Peter Nickel, Katelynn Quinn, George Sepeda and Javier Zuniga.

Superstar Honor Roll: Second Grade, Ethan Foshee, Chelsea Hunter, Brit Lockaby, Haley Stephens, Daniel Alvarado, Isaac Arriazola, Perry Brickley, Kendra DeLeon, Klynn McCleskey, Emit Quintero, Jared Santos, Andrew Forsythe, Olivia Hammonds, Michaila Lopez, Brailey McMinn, Averi Starkey, Grant Tekell. Third Grade: Xenia Charon, Nick Garcia, Alison Quisenberry, Miranda DeLeon, Tony Garcia, Carlos Morales, Maci Dimak, M'Lin Hill, Hadley Reynolds, Kaci Rodriguez, Adriana Salinas, Andrea Garcez, Grant Garvin, Katherine Nickel, Sarina Ybarra. Fourth Grade, Elvia Aguilar, Kohl Angeley, Charlie

Duran, Sky Hagar, Jackson Harbison, Alyssa Pesina, Lauren Raindl, Dane Rivas, Dehlila Benavides, Justin Creech, Sonya Gonzales, Amanda Hill, Vanessa Mendez, Coy Mercer, Colton Taylor, Megan Alvarado, Jeremiah DeLeon, Laura Henderson, Kara Larpenner, Brighton McMinn. Fifth Grade, Kristal DeVine, Starr Hagar, Erynn Harris, McKenzie Dimak, Kaitlyn Lehman. Sixth Grade, Jori Chapa, Madylin DeLeon, Sarah Freitag, Marcus Gonzales, Smith McLelland.

Bulldog Honor Roll: Second Grade: Andrew Alvarez, Christian Aleman, Yulissa Villegas, Braden Cook, Colton Stice, Brant Webster, Abraham Nickel, Mercedes Perez, Brandon Escobar. Third Grade: Kelsi Hilger, Curry Lehman, Johnny Rosas, Mishelle Earnest, Clarissa Lopez, Karen Strickland, Selena Arroyo, Ramon Montemayor, Slade Brown, Ka'Lynn Green. Fourth Grade: Caley Bingham, Tori Ford, Dominique Herrera, Kimmie Jones, Mia Saldana, Jordan Arriazola, Yancy Draper, Amanda Flores, Shelbee Forsythe, Blake McCleskey, Kayla Strickland. Fifth

Red Ribbon Week is scheduled for Oct. 23-27.



Red Ribbon Week Contest
October 2-13 is the Red Ribbon Week Contest. Design and name a Red Ribbon Week Mascot. All entries must be turned in by noon Oct. 13. Contest is open to students in grades K-12.

Write an essay on your dreams and for your future and how you will reach those dreams.

On Thursday, Oct. 26, you may come dressed as the career choice that you plan on for your future.

Motorcycles Wanted
New-Home Varsity Cheerleaders are looking for Motorcycles and their drivers that can participate at the Varsity pep rally on October 13th. If you know of someone that is interested please have them contact Mrs. Durham or Natalie Bruton before Oct. 6th.

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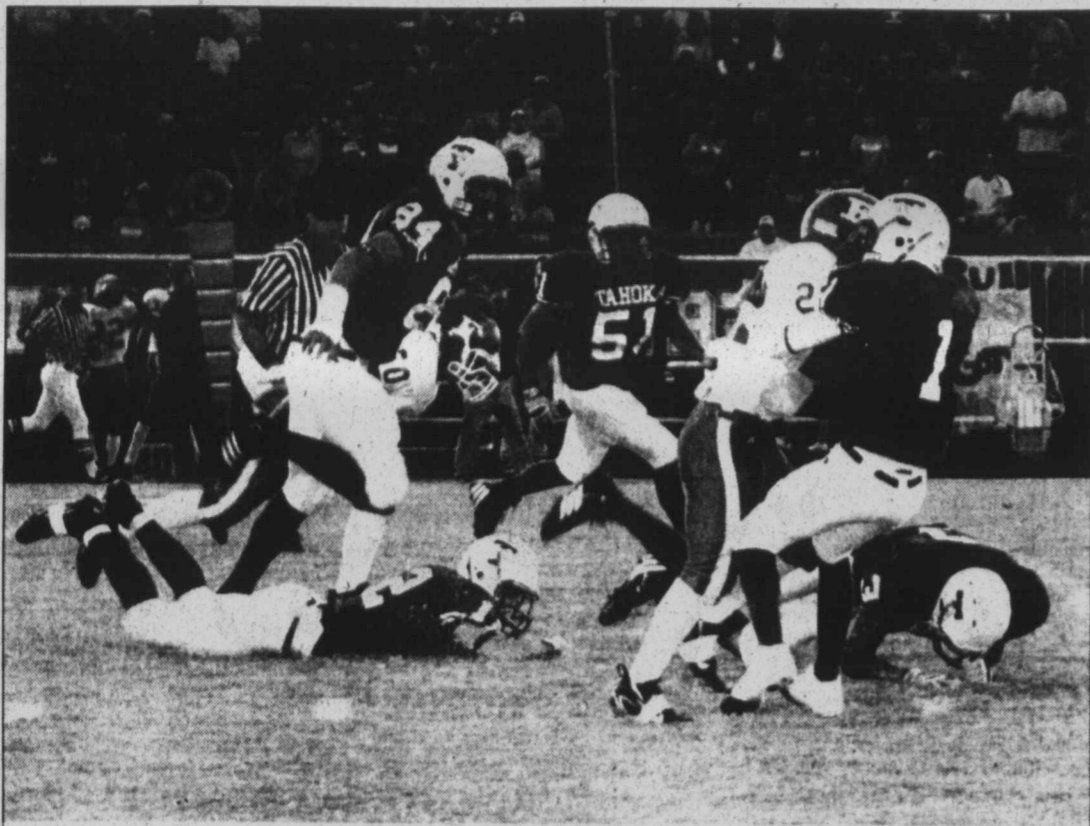
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Grab That Guy ... Daniel Baker of Tahoka (1) tangles with Paul Marmelejo (22) of Floydada, who has the ball, as other Bulldogs try to get into the action, including Matt McLelland (84), Josh Deleon (51), Kyle Preston (12) and Martin Garcia (3). Floydada won the non-district game. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)



Tough Night For Tahoka ... Tahoka running back Jay Tillman (20) was held to 60 yards, his lowest total of the season, by Floydada as the Whirlwinds blew out the Bulldogs 42-7. Giving Tillman problems here are Whirlwinds Aarrhon Flores (5), Pickles Alverado (12) and others. Tahoka players above include Eddy Saldana (62), Martin Garcia (3) and Kyle Preston (12). (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

Whirlwinds Blow Dogs Away, 42-7

The Floydada Whirlwinds put a convincing stop to Tahoka's unbeaten string of football victories this season as the Winds blew out the Bulldogs 42-7 to spoil homecoming here last Friday.

It was mostly a second-quarter collapse by the Tahoka defense, combined with some fumbling and other miscues which brought disaster to the team which lost in a big way after winning the first four games of the season.

"We really didn't play as badly as the score indicates," said Coach Jay Hellums. "We made a couple of mistakes on defense that turned into touchdowns. We were there to make the play on the punt return and missed a couple of tackles. Floydada did a great job in containing our running game and we could not get any kind of consistency on offense...The boys never quit, and we are proud of that."

Tahoka will have a week off to try to regroup before beginning district play, but it won't be easy, as the Bulldogs will host unbeaten Slaton, a pre-season choice to win this tough district, and a team which beat Floydada early in the year.

The Dogs again were minus the services of one of their best defensive players, Damon Moore, who was still inactive

last Friday as a result of an ankle injury aggravated during the O'Donnell game. Moore also is the No. 1 quarterback, although J.T. Thomas, moved up from the junior varsity to that position, has performed adequately, and scored Tahoka's only touchdown Friday.

Tahoka led 7-0 at the end of the first quarter, after Thomas ran 5 yards to score with 1:55 left in the period, and Jay Tillman kicked the point. But Floydada, led by a speedy sophomore running back, Aarrhon Flores, put the game out of reach with 28 points in the second quarter. In that period, Flores scored on a 22-yard run, an 88-yard punt return and a 78-yard pass from Payte Beedy.

Floydada scored 14 more points in the third. There was no scoring in the fourth quarter.

Floydada held Tillman, the leading Class AA rusher and scorer going into last Friday's game, to 60 yards on 22 carries. Britt Wuensche rushed 5 times for 34 yards and Kyle Preston gained 19 yards in 5 carries.

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5-67	2-20

Emergency Farm Loan Applications Being Accepted

Applications for emergency farm loan for losses caused by drought, high winds, and extreme temperatures on January 1, 2006, and continuing, are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency (FSA) office located in Tahoka, according to FSA Farm Loan Manager Curtis Barlow.

Lynn County is one of nine Texas Counties recently named by the Secretary of Agriculture as eligible for loans to cover part of actual production losses resulting from the drought, high winds and extreme temperatures.

Barlow said farmers may be eligible for loans 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 Federal 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 April 9, 2007, 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 recognize 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 open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.



TREY DAVES

Trey Daves Makes All-Region Choir

Trey Daves placed 5th chair, 2nd Tenor in the TMEA All-Region Choir auditions last Saturday at Snyder. He was in competition against students from class A - 5A, including the 5A schools in Abilene and Lubbock.

Not only did he qualify for the Region Choir which will perform in Lubbock at Monterey High School on November 11, but he also qualified for the Pre-Area Auditions which will be on Friday, November 10, at Lubbock High which will determine those who will get to compete at Area for the privilege of participating in the TMEA All-State Choir in San Antonio at the TMEA Convention in February.

O'Donnell Zaps LCHS 37-13

The O'Donnell Eagles got into the win column with a 37-13 victory over Lubbock Christian High School last Friday, as QB Justin Forbes passed for three touchdowns.

The scoring passes were 15 yards to Junior Castillo in the first quarter, 16 yards to Colby Gass in the second and 19 yards to Bobby Gloria in the third.

The Eagles, coached by Rick Price and now 1-3 for the season, will play at Wink this week before starting district play the following week.

Brenon Eaker gained 125 yards against the other Eagles on just 9 carries, and scored one touchdown on a 21-yard run in the third period. He also made 11 tackles, one for a safety. Linebacker Chris Montez also made one tackle for a safety among his 12 tackles, and defensive end Caleb Schneider made 10 tackles, including three sacks.

Justin Ramirez ran 8 yards for a touchdown in the fourth quarter. Gloria gained 64 yards in 11 carries.

Forbes also gained 81 yards rushing to go along with his 67 yards on 6 of 9 complete passes. Through four games he has completed 15 of 40 passes for 264 yards and five touchdowns, with three interceptions.

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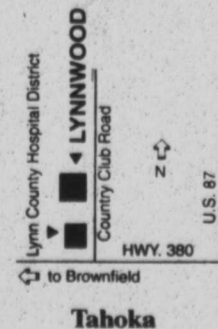
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