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## Bale Count

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Texas Star Gin, Wilson/Union.....	31,230
New Home Coop, Lakeview .....	11,528
Farmers Coop Assn. #1, Tahoka ...	8,948
Woolam Gin, O'Donnell .....	8,273
Wells Coop Gin .....	5,770
Farmers Coop, O'Donnell .....	5,105
Grassland Coop Gin .....	2,849
Close City Gin, Post .....	1,945
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>75,648</b>

## HONOR ALL VETERANS

"Place A Flag" Program  
Nevels Cemetery Chapel  
**Saturday, Nov. 10 • 10 a.m.**  
Flags will be furnished.

**ALL LOCAL VETERANS ARE INVITED TO BE RECOGNIZED AT THE PROGRAM.**

Sponsored by Phebe K. Warner Club

## Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Oct. 31	65	44	
Nov. 1	64	36	
Nov. 2	74	35	
Nov. 3	70	38	
Nov. 4	80	47	
Nov. 5	79	49	
Nov. 6	55	36	
Total Precipitation Oct:			0.09"
Total Precipitation Sept:			1.04"
Total Precipitation Aug.:			3.15"
Total Precipitation July:			1.43"
Total Precipitation June:			3.38"
Total Precipitation May:			5.57"
Total Precipitation Apr:			1.15"
Total Precipitation Mar.:			4.22"
Total Precipitation Feb.:			0.36"
Total Precipitation Jan.:			1.39"
Total Precip. Year to Date:			21.78"

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**Commissioner Appointed ...** Keith Wied (right) was sworn in as Lynn County Commissioner Precinct 1 by Lynn County Judge H.G. Franklin Tuesday morning in the District Courtroom at the Lynn County Courthouse. Wied was appointed by the judge to fill the position after the death of Commissioner Don Morton. He will serve the remainder of Morton's term, through 2008. Wied, who lives in Wilson, produces cotton in Lynn County. Both the Pct. 1 and Pct. 3 commissioner seats will be on the ballot in 2008, with filing for the seats opening in December 2007. (LCN PHOTO)

## Tahoka Band Among Top Bands In State

Tahoka High School 3-D Band performed at the State UIL Marching Contest in San Antonio Monday, Nov. 5, along with 17 other 2A schools in Texas. The Tahoka band did not advance to the finals, but Tahoka fans are proud of their band for setting a landmark in school history by getting to the state contest for the first time ever.

There were 18 bands performing in the 2A state marching contest, culled from among more than 1300 2A bands in the state of Texas. Tahoka was ranked #15 in the state—a great accomplishment for the 3-D Band (which stands for Darin', Dreamin', and Doim'). Directors Carroll Rhodes and Johnathan Smith led the 80-member band in their history-making debut at the state contest.

Tahoka marched at 4:15 p.m. Monday afternoon in the Alamodome, behind Queen City High School Band, who went on to win the 2A champion-

ship title, according to information on the UIL website.

There were five judges who ranked the bands' performances, from 1 through 18. Tahoka's scores ranged from 6 to 15, with a composite score that brought them to #15 in the 2A class. Industrial High School in Vanderbilt, a 2A school that Tahoka has faced in basketball playoffs, ranked just ahead of Tahoka as #14 band.

"Our band performed very well, and Tahoka can be proud of their performance," said one parent who attended the event. "Almost all of the seven finalist bands were much bigger bands than ours, many of them with additional performers like flag routines, rifle corps, and even ballet-type dancers in one case. It was a great opportunity for our kids to see what other bands are doing, and they can bring back what they learned there," she said.

## New Home ISD Voters Approve \$1.25 Tax Rate

New Home Independent School District voters approved a school tax rate of \$1.25668 in a rollback election held in conjunction with Tuesday's constitutional amendment election, voting 51-26 in favor of the tax rate. It was the first rollback election held in Lynn County in many years, if ever, to determine a tax rate for a school district.

New Home ISD officials asked voters to approve a tax rate that was 15-cents above the rollback rate of \$1.10 in the school district. The \$1.25668 tax rate includes a Maintenance & Operating (M&O) rate of \$1.17 and an additional \$.08668 rate for Interest & Sinking (I&S) to pay bonded indebtedness. Last year's school tax rate was \$1.45668. If the vote had failed to pass, the New Home ISD tax rate would have automatically dropped to the rollback rate of \$1.106745 for both M&O and I&S.

The new tax rate will bring \$135,319 of additional revenue to the

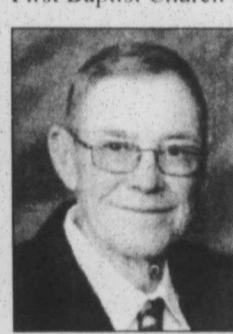
school district, for a total revenue of \$1,844,033, to fund a budget of \$1,844,033.

Property tax statements for New Home ISD, postponed until after the election results, will be mailed as soon as possible to property owners, according to information from the Lynn County Appraisal District.

In Tuesday's Constitutional Amendment election, 254 voters in Lynn County cast ballots on the 16 proposed amendments, all of which reportedly passed statewide. Four of the propositions failed to pass Lynn County voter approval, however, including Prop. #15 for \$3 million in bonds for cancer research, Prop. #16 for Texas Water Development Board bonds for assistance to economically distressed areas, Prop. #12 for Texas Transportation Commission bonds for highway improvement projects, and Prop. #4 for bonds for maintenance and improvement projects for several state agencies.

## County Commissioner Don Morton Dies

Don Morton, 66, Lynn County Commissioner of Precinct 1, succumbed to a long-term battle with cancer last Thursday, Nov. 1. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at First Baptist Church in Wilson.



DON MORTON

Morton had served 10 years as county commissioner, beginning his term in January 1997. During his tenure as commissioner, Morton was a key force in implementing improvements for Lynn County, including a new 48-bed jail and Law Enforcement Center that opened in 2002. He was an avid supporter of the restoration/renovation grant project for the county courthouse, which is currently under consideration by the Texas Historic Commission's Courthouse Preservation Program.

A lifelong citizen of Wilson and owner of Morton Manufacturing, Morton also served his community as a city council member, and as Mayor of Wilson from 1982-1985. He was a member of the Wilson Lion's Club and First Baptist Church in Wilson, and had served in the U.S. Marine Corp.

He is survived by his wife, Peggy, a son, Craig of Idalou, a daughter, Angie Taylor of Leander, four grandchildren, and two sisters.

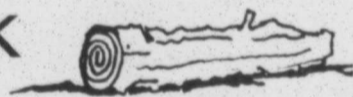
## Visit Health Fair Today

Flu shots and a variety of health tests and information will be offered today (Thursday) at a County-Wide Adult Health Fair from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. at The Center for Housing and Community Development, located at 1400 Ave. K in Tahoka. The event is sponsored by Lynn County Hospital District, and healthcare officials will be on hand to answer questions and visit with attendees. Admission is free.

Flu shots will be available at a cost of \$15 (free for Medicare beneficiaries who bring their cards). All other health testing will be offered at no charge, including bone density tests, hemoglobin, blood pressure and oxygen saturation level tests, and glucose and cholesterol tests. Hearing and vision testing will also be offered, although the vision tests will not begin until 11:30 a.m.

A blood drive is also being held in conjunction with the health fair, with the mobile unit outside the building during the event.

## woodwork by dalton



I KEEP HEARING about these home remedies that work always cheaper and often more effectively than things which doctors prescribe, and I do believe that some of the old-time remedies work. But there are some everyone will have to try for themselves.

Recently I heard (again) that any cough can be stopped by smearing Vick's Vaporub on the soles of your feet and then putting on a sock. I haven't tried that one, but I did hear from one lady I know who says it worked for her. Then I have heard and read about the wonderful benefits a person can get from vinegar, bananas and more recently, oatmeal.

Just last week I read that a teaspoon of oatmeal can end heartburn in minutes, that it neutralizes the acid and soothes your stomach lining (some of us have more lining to soothe than others). It didn't say just how you take the spoonful of oatmeal; to find that out you have to order their book. By the time the book arrives, your heartburn will be over with, one way or the other.

Interestingly, I had just tried oatmeal in my bath water to help relieve the itching of a skin rash. It actually did help, only you have to buy something called colloidal oatmeal at the pharmacy and sprinkle about a cupful of it in your bath.

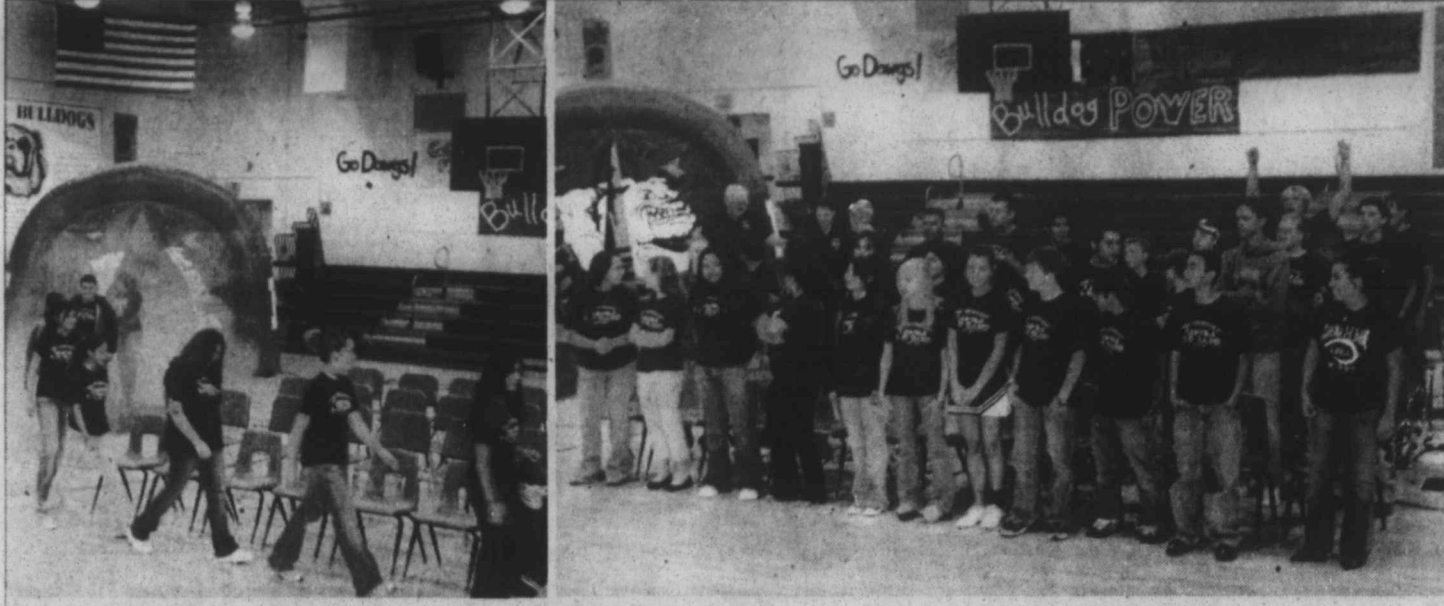
I didn't want to do that, and had what I thought was a better idea, but my doctor didn't think a cupful of Post Toasties would work just as well.

Somewhat along these same lines, I read recently that the reason pirates always wore earrings was because they thought piercing the ears improved your vision. And modern acupuncture researchers were quoted as saying that there is a part of your earlobe called the "eye point" and when you stimulate this point, you can see better.

I remember reading in the old Mutt and Jeff comic strip years ago where Mutt asked Jeff (the short one), what would happen if his ears were cut off, and Jeff replied, "I couldn't see." Mutt wanted to know why not, and Jeff explained, "My hat would fall down over my eyes." Duh.

SOME GOVERNMENT agencies and a few others who don't know which words to capitalize still mail out information with the entire release typed with capital letters. A few words in capital letters, like at the start of this portion of the column, or on a sign or headline are good for emphasis, but—

WHEN YOU PUT A PARAGRAPH OR SEVERAL PARAGRAPHS ALL IN CAPITAL LETTERS, IT IS HARD TO READ, AND PRETTY SOON THE READER GETS TIRED OF TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT IS BEING SAID AND JUST DECIDES TO SKIP THE WHOLE THING. I WAS REMINDED OF THIS LAST WEEK WHEN I GOT A NEWSLETTER FROM SOME NICE FOLKS AT THE WESLEY FOUNDATION IN LUBBOCK, A METHODIST YOUTH ORGANIZATION. THE ENTIRE LETTER, BOTH SIDES, WAS TYPED IN CAPITAL LETTERS, WEARING OUT MY BRAIN VERY QUICKLY. I KNOW WHAT THEY SAID WAS IMPORTANT, BUT I JUST DIDN'T HAVE THE PATIENCE TO WADE THROUGH ALL THAT STUFF, AND IF ANYONE HAS READ THIS FAR, YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT I AM TALKING ABOUT.

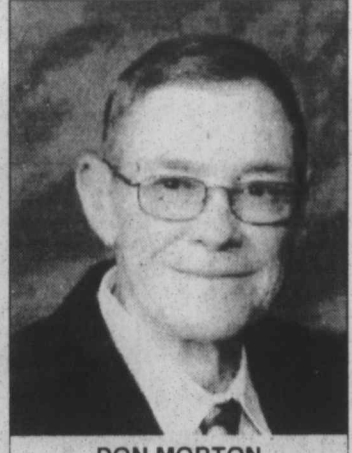


**Spotlighting the Band ...** The Tahoka 3-D Band, who was heading off Sunday morning to State UIL Marching Contest in San Antonio, was honored at a pep rally at the THS gym Saturday night. Band members entered through the Bulldog tunnel into the gym, and were seated in front of an enthusiastic crowd. Supt. Jimmy Parker, Band Director Cargill Rhodes, Michael Angeley and Josh Reglin were guest speakers at the pep rally, expressing the community's pride in the 3-D Band and wishing them well in their competition. The band made school history this year by qualifying for the state contest, the first time ever for a Tahoka band to qualify. At San Antonio, the THS Band was ranked #15 in the state - judges said there are more than 1300 2A bands in Texas. (LCN PHOTOS by Pam Elrod)

**OBITUARIES**



CLAUD SLOVER



DON MORTON

**Claud Slover**

Funeral services for Claud Wesley Slover, 83, of Midland were held Wednesday, Nov. 7 at Bellview Baptist Church in Midland with Pastor Myron Unruh officiating. Interment followed at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home in Midland.

Slover passed away Sunday, November 4, 2007.

He was born August 20, 1924 to John Wesley Slover and Annie Elizabeth Rector Slover in Tahoka, Texas. Claud graduated from Tahoka High School in 1942, and Texas Tech in 1950. He proudly served his country during World War II in the U.S. Army from 1943 until 1946. His engineering career began in 1950 with the City of Lubbock in the Electrical Department. On September 2, 1951, he married Sarah Ruth McDougald in Kemp, Texas. She preceded him in death in 1995. From 1951 until 1970 he was in the Engineering Department of General Dynamics Aerospace in Fort Worth and Waco, and was in the Safety Engineering Department of Employers Insurance of Texas in Midland from 1971 until 1989. On November 29, 1996, he married Eleanor Porter Medley in Midland, Texas. From 1971 until 1996 Claud was a member of St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Midland where he and his two sons were members of Boy Scout Troop 160. He joined Bellview Baptist in 1996.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his sister, Emily Lindsey, a son-in-law, Richard Savell, and one granddaughter, Rebekah Nicole Slover.

Claud is survived by his wife, Eleanor Medley Slover of Midland, TX; sons, James Wesley Slover, and wife Kala of Midland, TX; and George Ray Slover and wife Celia of Sulphur, LA; daughters, Betty Ratanasavetavadhana and husband Mana of Midland, TX; and Sarah Jane Sayell of Brownwood, TX; step-sons, George Harold Medley, Jr., and wife Nancy of Spring, TX; and James W. "Jim" Medley and wife Lana of Spearman, TX; step-daughters, Margaret Morris and husband Marshall of Spring, TX; and Anke McCollum and husband A.J. Jr. of Gallup, NM; sisters Jean McClelland of Edinburg, TX; and Joan Townsen of Milwaukee, OR; ten grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, eleven step-grandchildren, and five step-great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be directed to Hospice of Midland, 911 W. Texas, Midland, Texas 79701 or Bellview Baptist Church, 1710 N. Big Spring, Midland, Texas 79701. The family wishes to express their heartfelt thanks to the staff of Complete Home Health Care, Hospice of Midland, and Mabee Center at Manor Park for the loving and tender care they furnished Claud. (PAID)

**Don Morton**

Funeral services for Don Wayne Morton, 66, of Wilson were held at 2:00 p.m. Monday, Nov. 5 at the First Baptist Church in Wilson, with Billy Parmer officiating. Interment followed in Green Memorial Cemetery in Wilson, under the direction of White Funeral Home of Tahoka.

Morton departed this life on November 1, 2007 in Lubbock. He was born April 7, 1941 in Matador, Texas to JW Morton and Margaret (Martin) Morton. Don attended school in Wilson where he was a lifelong citizen. He married Peggy Polk in Tahoka on December 22, 1967.

Don was the owner of Morton Manufacturing in Wilson. He was the current County Commissioner of precinct 1. Don was elected Council Member in April 1978 and was elected Mayor in May of 1982 serving through May of 1985. He was a member of the Lion's Club and the First Baptist Church in Wilson. Morton served in the United States Marine Corp.

Those left to cherish his memory include Peggy, his wife of 46 years; one son, Craig Morton and wife Jeanna of Idalou; one daughter, Angie Taylor and husband Bryan of Leander, TX; four grandchildren, Justin Taylor, Nick Taylor, Jace Morton, and Jake Morton; two sisters, Shirley Merriott of Mesquite, and Donna Donaldson of Lubbock.

Morton was preceded in death by his son, Jeffrey Wayne Morton in 1963, and one granddaughter, Kayte Morton. (PAID)

**Community Thanksgiving Dinner Slated Here Nov. 18**

The annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner, sponsored by churches in Tahoka, will be held on Sunday, Nov. 18 at the Tahoka Elementary School cafeteria. The traditional turkey and dressing meal with all the trimmings will be served from 5-7 p.m.

All residents of the community are invited to this free Thanksgiving meal, offered as a time of bringing the community together for fellowship and sharing a meal. No carryouts will be

available, except for shut-in deliveries from lists provided by local churches.

Preparations for the meal will begin by 2:30 p.m. at the Tahoka school cafeteria with many volunteers from several local churches providing the food and working to prepare the meal.

Meals will be delivered to shut-ins beginning at 4 p.m., and the school cafeteria will be open from 5-7 p.m. for community members to come eat.

**The NEW HOME News**

**Girls Night Out**

Girls Night Out was hosted on Nov. 5 for the New Home High School girls by Mrs. Durham. The program on proper nutrition was presented by the Lynn Co. Extension Agent, Amy Baugh. Amy provided valuable information for the active teenagers, and door prizes. The group enjoyed a meal of baked potatoes, whole wheat rolls, and a tossed salad. A low calorie dessert pizza was also served.

Door prizes were aprons that Mrs. Durham's Sunday School class had made. Door prize winners were Keely Nettles, Jacobi Ford, and Jessica Gomez. Recipe books were won following a game of musical spoons, by Abbey Melton and Socorro Vitolas. Handouts included a wooden spoon with a recipe for rice krispie treats.

The next meeting is planned for Dec. 10, with a program based on leadership.

**Parent Conference Day Is Monday, Nov. 12**

Tahoka ISD is hosting their annual Parent Conference Day on Monday, Nov. 12 and will dismiss school early in order to hold conferences that afternoon. Tahoka Middle School will dismiss at 11:33; high school will dismiss at 12 noon; and elementary will dismiss at 12:30 p.m. that day. Buses will run at 12:35.

Anyone who would like to set up a time to speak to their children's teacher, should contact the school office as soon as possible.

"We would love to have any parents come and discuss their son or daughter's progress with the teachers on Monday afternoon. Please call before Monday to set up a time," said High School Principal Troy Hinds.

**SPC Offers Computer Class**

South Plains College Continuing and Distance Education will offer "Introduction to Computers and the Internet" on the Levelland campus.

The course will be taught each Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon from Nov. 10 to Dec. 1 (class will not meet Nov. 24). The class will meet in Room 102 of the Technology Center.

The 12-hour course costs \$36. The textbook will be available for purchase in the bookstore. For more information, contact Continuing and Distance Education at 806-894-9611, ext. 2341.

**Veterans To Be Honored Nov. 10**

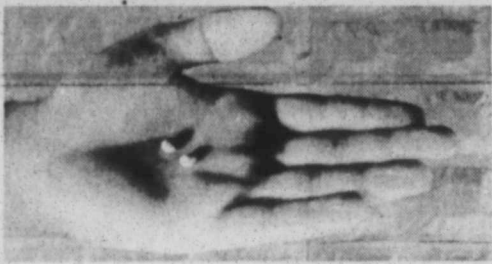
All veterans in Lynn County are invited to a ceremony at the Tahoka cemetery at 10 a.m. Saturday morning, Nov. 10 sponsored by Phebe K. Warner Club. Veterans will be honored in a brief presentation, and U.S.

Flags will also be placed on veterans' gravesites at this time, honoring all deceased veterans.

The community is invited to attend.

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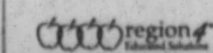
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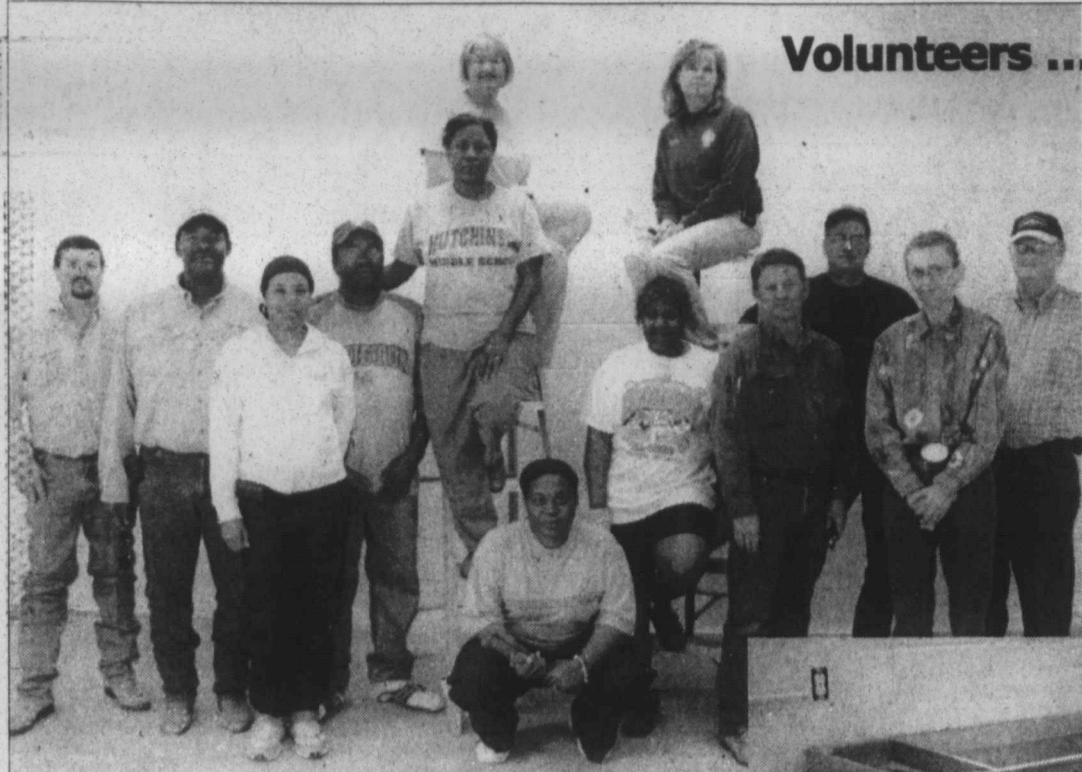
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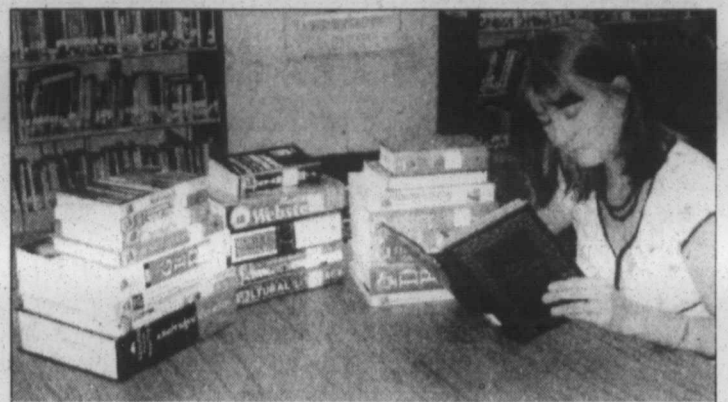
**Volunteers ...**

Volunteers in the community are offering assistance to Pleasant Grove Baptist Church as they remodel their kitchen area, with new cabinets and cooking areas planned. Youth and adult volunteers have shown up to help the Pleasant Grove members in their renovation project, painting walls and clearing out old cabinets to prepare for the new. These volunteers were caught Saturday at Pleasant Grove by News photographer Pam Elrod, who also volunteered that day.

Shown here from left are, Brian Durham, Rayford Harris, Debbie Harris, Clifford Oages, (on ladder) Nancy Rodriguez and Judy Sanders, Sandy Burleson, Wanda Williams, (on ladder) DeeDee Pridmore, John Wilson, John Baker, Jamie Newsom and Carl Reynolds. Other volunteers, we are told, prepared a meal to serve the workers that day, and many of the church members and other community volunteers are assisting in the ongoing project. (LCN PHOTOS by Pam Elrod)



New cabinets ready to go in place



New books at library ... Rachel Lehman, City-County Library Board Secretary, peruses one of the new titles purchased with funding from the 2006 Texas Book Festival. The Tahoka City-County Library was one of 60 in the state that received funding from the Festival.

**Library Takes Advantage Of Prestigious Grant**

The City-County Library of Tahoka is taking advantage of the prestigious 2006 Texas Book Festival Grant by updating the library's audio catalog was on cassette tape, new compact discs will replace old titles, and new titles will be added. "We are so grateful to the Texas Book Festival for awarding us this grant," said Guin. "With library funding so limited, the majority of public libraries in the state apply for this grant—it's very competitive. We feel very fortunate that the Texas Book Festival Grant Committee felt we were deserving of their efforts." An up-to-date list of new titles may be found in the "What's New" section of the library's web site at [www.tahoka.lib.tx.us](http://www.tahoka.lib.tx.us). The Texas Book Festival celebrates authors and their contributions to the culture of literacy, ideas, and imagination. In late 1995, Laura Bush convened a task force to plan a book festival that would promote the joys of reading and to serve to benefit public libraries. Additional sponsors of the 2006 Festival included Barnes & Noble, Pearson Publishing, the T.L.L. Temple Foundation and Williams Brothers Construction Co.

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**Slashing Of Tire, Assault Reported**

A large tire on an 8-row cotton stripper was slashed Sunday night or early Monday while the equipment was parked in a field 4.5 miles north of Tahoka. Sheriff's deputies were advised by the owner, Milton Edwards of Tahoka. Investigation of the criminal mischief was continuing. Sheriff's officers also are investigating a report from two Wilson women who said they were assaulted in their home Friday by a juvenile male. Neither of the victims was injured enough to require hospital treatment. A 23-year-old Tahoka man was arrested and charged with assault/family violence after a

dispute and altercation at a residence in north Tahoka Saturday night. Police also arrested a 21-year-old Tahoka man Friday on traffic warrants. Only 38 persons were being held in Lynn County jail as of early this week, a lower number than usual, and 30 of these were held for violations in Lynn County. Seven persons were jailed during the last week, on these charges: resisting arrest plus public intoxication, theft (Guadalupe County), driving while intoxicated third offense or more, six misdemeanor warrants, DWI, assault/family violence/enhanced, driving while license invalid plus failure to surrender license.

**TAHOKA SCHOOL NEWS**  
by THS Journalism Students

**Varsity Football**  
By Britt Wuensch

This past week, the Bulldogs played the Denver City Mustangs. Tahoka lost to the Mustangs 0-36. Tahoka suffered another hit to their roster when starting quarterback Mitchel Chapa broke his hand. The Bulldogs still managed 148 yards rushing and an added 20 passing yards. The season is almost over, but the Bulldogs are not done fighting. They will play at Roosevelt Friday, Nov. 9.

**Middle School Football**  
By Rebecca Pando

The Tahoka Bulldogs 7th and 8th grade were combined due to injuries for the game against Denver City Nov. 1. The teams were combined due to the injuries, but they hope to be playing the last game of the season with two teams. This was a tough game and unfortunately the Bulldogs lost 0-36.

The Bulldogs started out by moving the ball down the field, but were forced to punt. Denver City fumbled on their possession allowing the Bulldogs to get the ball back only to be forced to punt again. The Bulldogs had a difficult time getting on track and the defense failed to hold out, said Coach Harris.

"There were some 7th graders who stepped up and played well on the next level, but it wasn't quiet enough," said Coach Harris. "Although the season has not gone as well as we would have liked, Coach Whitefield and I are very proud of the improvement these boys have made and the effort they have given all year," said Coach Harris.

Next week the Bulldogs will be up against Roosevelt.

**Bag Meal Offered At Roosevelt Game**

On Friday, Nov. 9, the Tahoka Bulldogs will play their final football game of the season at Roosevelt. Football fans are invited to eat at a tailgate party from 5:00-7:00 p.m., sponsored by the Roosevelt Senior Class at the Eagle Stadium, with a bag meal that includes a burger or sausage wrap, chips and a drink.

**Tahoka SCHOOL MENU**

- November 12-16  
Breakfast  
Monday: Pop Tart  
Tuesday: Cereal w/ graham crackers  
Wednesday: Pancake on stick  
Thursday: Breakfast muffin  
Friday: Blueberry Mini loaf  
Lunch  
Monday: Hot dog, oven fried potatoes, apple & orange smiles, sherbert cup  
Tuesday: Enchiladas, refried beans, salad, cinnamon apples  
Wednesday: Turkey w/ gravy, cornbread dressing, green beans, mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes, roll, fruit salad  
Thursday: Taco salad, corn, fruited gelatin, brownie  
Friday: Hamburger w/ trimmings, baked beans, baby carrots w/ ranch, crispy cereal treat

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## Letters to the Editor

### Cotton Pickin' Bike Ride 2007 Was Great Success

While the town of Tahoka was preparing for the Harvest Festival on September 22, 2007, the quiet morning was again broken by the sound of gun fire that began the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Cotton Pickin' Bike Ride. Over 90 bicyclists from across Texas and New Mexico gathered at the First United Methodist Church of Tahoka on that Saturday for a fun filled bike tour that included 5 different bicycle rides ranging from 5 miles to 70 miles. This year we had 10 local riders with several of these riders announcing this as their first bicycle tour. The riders reported how pleased they were with the ride and with the welcome they felt during their stay in Tahoka. A majority of the riders and their families also attended the harvest festival with positive comments about the festivities.

As ride director I would like to personally thank our sponsors for their donations and their support for the Cotton Pickin' Bike Ride. I would also like to give my heart felt "Thank You" to all of the volunteers who gave of themselves and their time and who represented this area of West Texas so well. These volunteers not only represent the Cotton Pickin' Ride but also every sponsor who helped with the ride. I would like to express my pride in our volunteers and sponsors. The Sponsors of the Cotton Pickin' Bike Ride 2007 donated either prizes or cash to the ride.

Our Platinum Sponsors have contributed \$500 or more to this ride. They include: Taylor Tractor and Equipment of Tahoka, Wildcat Manufacturing Company of Tahoka, First National Bank of Tahoka, and Lynn County Hospital District.

Gold sponsors (\$300-\$499 donors) include Lyntegar Electric, Thriftway, Walker & Solomon Agency Inc., and NursCare.

Silver sponsors (\$100-\$299 donors) include Farmer's Co-op Gin #1, First Bank & Trust-Tahoka, Tahoka Drug, Stringer Insurance Agency, Wilson Volunteer Fire Dept., Broadway Bikes, DFC Cycles & Fitness, and Todd Gass.

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National Bank of O'Donnell, Organic Essentials, Back Door Gifts, BE Implement, Academy Sports, First United Methodist Church, Rev. Vernon Baker, Ruby Tequila's, Atmos Energy, Susan D. Anthony APN, and PJ's Deli & Bakery.

The proceeds from this ride allowed for a \$2000.00 contribution to the Lynn County Pioneers to help with the cost of meals served at the Center and for meals that go to shut-ins around the region. This ride also brought in approximately 150 persons that were able to participate in the Harvest Festival.

Again I would like to express my gratitude to all that were involved and I hope to see everyone next year.

Gina Tamplen  
Cotton Pickin' Ride Director

### Fire Dept. Saved Our Cotton Modules

Dear Editor,  
We would just like to commend the Tahoka Volunteer Fire Department. We recently were stripping a section of cotton 10 miles East of Tahoka. During the 4 days that we were on that section we had 2 module fires. We got there one morning and someone had already called about the first fire. The fire department had the fire out almost before we knew we had it. Two days later we called them for another fire and they were there within 10 minutes. They saved both of the modules. We lost very little cotton. Thanks to the Tahoka Coop Gin, their module truck came by and moved modules away from the fire for us. Wells Coop Gin sent a truck out and moved modules away from the second fire in case they started burning again but they never did. We are so grateful to the fire fighters for saving these two modules.

We just wanted everyone to know what a great bunch of guys you have on your volunteer fire department.

Sincerely,  
Jackie & Darla Stidham

### NHS Spook House Successful Event

Dear Editor,  
On behalf of the Tahoka National Honor Society, I would like to thank the community of Tahoka for making our "Massacre on Main Street" such a success on Halloween Night. Special thanks goes out to Armando and Luis Barrera, Frank, Jenni, and Smith McLelland, Shiloh Braddock, Ryan and Erica Curry, Dr. Donald Freitag, Drew Stone, Karen Huffaker, Barbara and Tom Quinn, Demi Salinas, and Cathy Box for setting up and participating in scenes of our haunted house.

I would also like to thank Leighton Knox for use of the



**Cotton Pickin' Bike Ride ...** The 2nd Annual Cotton Pickin' Bike Ride, held on Sept. 22 in conjunction with the Lynn County Harvest Festival, included more than 90 bicyclists from across Texas and New Mexico who gathered at the First United Methodist Church of Tahoka. Here, bikers take off from the church that morning, on a fun filled bike tour that included 5 different bicycle rides ranging from 5 miles to 70 miles. In the inset photo, Methodist Pastor Vernon Baker wishes the bikers a safe ride before they start. Gina and Richard Tamplen coordinated the event, which raised \$2,000 for the Lynn County Pioneers Senior Citizens Center.

building, Starr Bray for advertising, ideas, props and use of the building, Jessica Crabb for use of props and make up, Patti Rambo for donation of props, Carroll Rhodes for use of equipment, Tahoka Church of Christ for support in advertising, Shelly Stone and her webmastering class for advertising, Armando Barrera for use of tables, chain saw, and tarps, Tilda Carrasco for help with costumes, Cory Carrasco for doing make up, Crystal Carrasco for helping set up, Toni Garcia for use of lights and fog machine, Joe Barrientez for use of fog machine and ladders, Susie and Robert Sosa for helping set up, Tammy Fisher for donation of candy, and Lyntegar Electric for use of harness.

The entire NHS is very appreciative of the help that was provided to us, and we hope that the community enjoyed the event as much as we all did.

We also want to thank Gail Quisenberry and her distributors for their donation of gift cards used for our Make a Difference Day.

Thanks again,  
Josh Freitag, NHS President

### National School Lunch Week

What a success we had at our National School Lunch Week, and it all comes down to people helping people. We were blessed to have such dignitaries as Judge Carter Schildknecht, Mayor Mike Mensch, James Baker, Elementary Principal, Alecia Hancock, Assistant Elem. Principal, Gail Quisenberry, our Director of Maintenance, Julia Charo, Jenni McLelland and Christina

Wuensche stop by and serve lunches with us. Oh yes, we did let them eat.

These folks witnessed our food service staff at work and actually served the food to our students. It is amazing to see the students' eyes when they recognize these folks. As we all know, time is valuable and we do appreciate these people going that extra mile for our kids. These folks had a choice and made the decision to come share in the experience.

Next time you see these folks out, tell them THANKS for helping celebrate National School Lunch Week.

Thanks, TISD cafeteria staff: Rosalinda Padilla, Lupe Garcia, Rose Resendez, Ida Valdez, Diane Resendez, Susie Garcia, Anita Ramirez

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HEALTH NEWS FROM LYNN COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT  
by Joey Quintana, RN, DON • Jeanie Stone, EMT-I, EMS Director

#### The Effects of Energy Drinks

There are many types of energy drinks on the market. I recently looked at the variety that our local stores provide and found it staggering. There were many that I'd never heard of, much less tried. Coke machines used to have cokes. Now they contain many different sodas, juices, different flavors of water and energy drinks.

Most of these energy drinks are loaded with caffeine, sugar and herbal stimulants that can make you more alert. Not only do they make you more alert, they also make your heart beat remarkably faster, putting you at risk of health problems.

Caffeine, the main ingredient in energy drinks, isn't directly toxic to the heart, but if you have almost any type of underlying heart disease, even a small amount of caffeine can stimulate the heart and cause problems. Caffeine can increase your blood pressure and sometimes impair blood flow to your heart, triggering abnormal heart rhythms. Anything that changes your heart rhythm or increases your blood pressure can be life threatening, especially in people who are already considered high risk.

One problem with energy drinks is that they have become popular as mixers for alcoholic beverages, used to counteract drowsiness, allowing you to drink more alcohol. The combination of large amounts of caffeine and alcohol is a dangerous mix, since alcohol alone is known to trigger fast heart rhythms. Mixed together, the danger is doubled. To avoid this serious health risk, even if you don't have heart disease, alcohol and energy drinks should never be combined.

Another problem is that energy drinks are often consumed quickly before exercise. The high amounts of caffeine and sugar give a temporary boost of energy but can lead to a variety of symptoms, including irritability, nervousness and nausea, sometimes severe enough to require hospitalization.

For athletic activity, it's healthier to drink noncaffeinated, low-sugar beverages to prevent dehydration. If you decide to consume an energy drink, read the label and research how much caffeine it contains. If you have heart disease, be cautious about energy drinks and talk to your doctor.

More information can be found at [www.health.msn.com](http://www.health.msn.com).

### SHOP IN TAHOKA!

Check out the City of Tahoka's Website!



Find out more about the City of Tahoka by visiting their computer website at [www.tahokatx.com](http://www.tahokatx.com)

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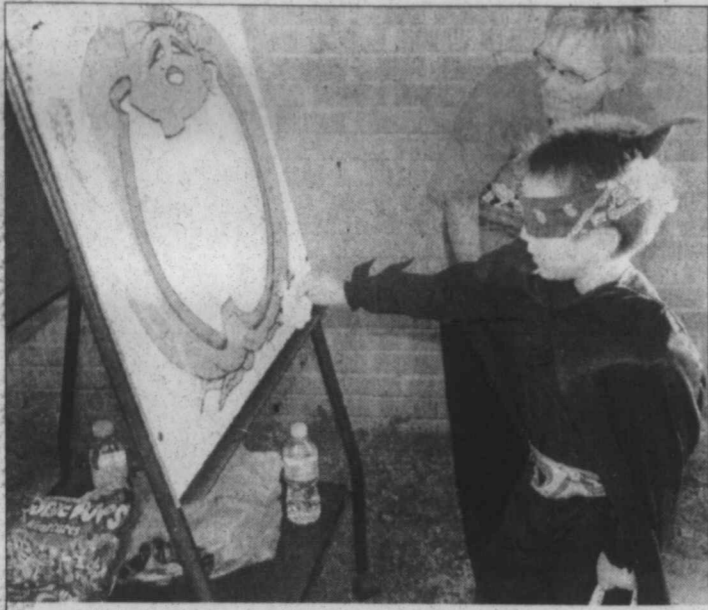
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**Fun at school ...** Tahoka Elementary students had fun at school last Tuesday evening during the Halloween/Fall Festival sponsored by the Elementary and Pride Corp. Teacher Vivian McAfee watches here as a masked superhero plays one of the many games offered throughout the evening. (Photo by Tina Wuensche)

**Students Win Poster, Coloring Contests Here**

Tahoka Elementary students celebrated Red Ribbon Week last week, with a coloring contest for students in grades Pre-K through 1st grade, and a poster contest in 2nd-5th grades. Following is a list of the winners in their contests.

- PreK: 1st, Jackquelyn Proffitt; 2nd, Neriah Renteria; 3rd, Johnathan Renteria
- Kindergarten: 1st, Yolanda Segovia; 2nd, Alexander Herevia; 3rd, Michael Farrell
- 1st Grade: 1st, Alyssa Dotson; 2nd, Carol Locke; 3rd, Elissa Calzocit
- 2nd Grade: 1st, Gavin Doyle; 2nd, Bentley Harbison; 3rd, Carrie Rose McDaniel
- 3rd Grade: 1st, Grant Tekell; 2nd, Isaac Arriazola; 3rd, Yulissa Villegas
- 4th Grade: 1st, Nick Garcia; 2nd, Marcos Saldana; 3rd, Miranda DeLeon
- 5th Grade: 1st, Kara Larpenter; 2nd, Dehlila Benavidez; 3rd, Elvia Aguilar



**Getting high...** Tahoka's Britt Wuensche goes high in the air trying to block a field goal attempt by Denver City, but the field goal was made anyway. DC's No. 11, Taylor Williams, is 6-4, which shows how high Wuensche jumped. The kicker is behind the mass of players, which includes Tahoka's David Spruiell (62) and the Mustangs' Quade Adams (9). DC won the game 36-0.



AMY WHITE

**Signup Period Continues For Christmas Gifts**

Lynn County parents who need help providing Christmas gifts for their children may sign up for the Lynn County "Christmas For Kids" program at the Lynn County Courthouse during scheduled signup periods. All signups will be conducted in the basement courtroom.

Signup dates are as follows: Saturday, Nov. 10, 10-11:30 a.m.; Saturday, Nov. 17, 10-11:30 a.m.; Tuesday, Nov. 20, 5-7 p.m.; and the final signup date is Saturday, Dec. 4, 10-11:30 a.m.

For more information, or to donate funding or gifts to the program, or to sign up to "adopt" a child or family of children to provide gifts for in the "Christmas For Kids" program, contact Janet Porterfield at 561-4036, or the Lynn County Treasurer's office at 561-4055.

**Parenting Conference Set Nov. 9 In Lubbock**

Building strong families, Tools for Success Conference is set for Tuesday, Nov. 6 at the First Church of the Nazarene, 6110 Chicago Ave. in Lubbock. This parenting conference targets parents and professionals in the 20-county area surrounding Lubbock. Concurrent sessions on a variety of family issue topics will run throughout the day from 8:30 am-2:30 pm. Registration of \$10, include a continental breakfast and lunch. Registration deadline is Oct. 26. The Lubbock County Extension Office is a sponsor of the conference, and registration forms are available by calling 792-5468 extension 831 or may be downloaded at <http://lubbock.tx.tamu.edu/publications/07BSFBroFINAL>.

**Wilson SCHOOL MENU**

- November 12-16 Breakfast**
- Monday:** Sausage on a stick
- Tuesday:** Toast and cereal
- Wednesday:** Breakfast Burritos
- Thursday:** Donuts
- Friday:** Mustang McMuffins
- Lunch**
- Monday:** Ravioli, steamed broccoli, French bread sticks, fruit
- Tuesday:** Toast and cereal
- Wednesday:** Sausage wraps, pinto beans, baked chips, pineapple-orange salad
- Thursday:** Chicken nuggets, fries, gravy, Texas toast, fruit
- Friday:** Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, salad, French bread sticks, pears

**Tahoka Junior High 2007-08 Basketball Schedule**

Date	Opponent	Place/Team
Nov. 5	Slaton	There - Girls
Nov. 12	Idalou	Here - Boys
Nov. 19	Post	Boys Here; Girls There
Nov. 26	Denver City	Boys There; Girls Here
Dec. 3	Roosevelt	Boys Here; Girls There
Dec. 7-9	Roosevelt Tourney	There - Girls
Dec. 10	Slaton	Boys There; Girls Here
Dec. 17	Idalou	Boys Here; Girls There
Jan. 10	Post	Boys There; Girls Here
Jan. 14	Denver City	Boys Here; Girls There
Jan. 17-19	Idalou Tourney	There - Girls
Jan. 20	Post Tourney	There - Boys
Jan. 21	Roosevelt	Boys There; Girls Here
Jan. 24-26	Idalou Tourney	There - Boys
Jan. 28	Slaton	Boys Here; Girls There
Feb. 4	Idalou	Boys There; Girls Here
Feb. 11	Post	Boys There

All 7<sup>th</sup> grade games begin at 5:00; 8<sup>th</sup> grade games afterward.

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**Amanda White Named Who's Who**

Amanda (Amy) White of Arlington was recently selected to the Madison Who's Who Among Executives and Professionals.

This appointment is based on a candidate's current position, leadership role and potential, and the impact their role makes on others in their industry. Miss White has also been invited to provide consulting leadership and expertise for the Dallas and Fort Worth chapters of the Association of Fund-raising professionals. She will be leading a seminar at the annual Texas AFP conference to be held at the American Airlines center in Dallas. She is the daughter of Janet Porterfield of Tahoka.

Miss White has been a Development and database consultant for her independent consulting company for the past five years. She has provided consulting and training services to various non-profits in the Dallas, Oklahoma and Louisiana area. She is also employed as Director of Development Operations at Children's Medical Center in Dallas. She is a member of the Dallas and Ft. Worth AFP chapters, AHP, and a committee member of the AFP International chapter.

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<p><b>Tahoka Trinity Church</b> 1925 Lockwood • Box 1168 • Tahoka, TX 79373 Phone (806) 561-5317 <b>PASTOR: PERRY SHUFFIELD</b> Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Youth - Sundays at 7 p.m. For a ride to Sunday School or Church, call 561-5317</p>	<p><b>New Home United Methodist Church</b> 350 N. Main New Home, TX 79383 (806) 924-7549 <b>PASTOR: RICK WOLFE</b> Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship - 10:45 a.m. Youth Activities</p>	<p><b>Wilson First Baptist Church</b> 1403 13th St. • Box 67 • Wilson, TX 79381 (806) 628-6333 <b>PASTOR: BILLY PARKER</b> Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship - 11:00 a.m. Discipleship Training - 5 p.m. Sunday Sunday Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study &amp; Prayer Mtg-6 p.m., Youth 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>New Home Church of Christ</b> St. address • Box 188 • New Home, TX 79383 (806) 924-7579 <b>MINISTER: VICTOR ELLISON</b> Bible Class - 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service - 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening Service - 6 p.m. Mid-Week Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.</p>
<p><b>Draw First United Methodist Church</b> (established 1907) P.O. Box 496 • O'Donnell, TX 79351 Phone (806) 428-3357 or Fern Barnes (806) 327-5583 <b>PASTOR: REV. LARRY GAUMOND</b> Sunday Morning Worship - 9:15 a.m. Sunday School following</p>	<p><b>TAHOKA Church of Christ</b> 2320 Lockwood • Box 1177 • Tahoka, TX 79373 (806) 561-4060 • email: tcoc@poka.com <b>MINISTER: RON FANT</b> Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship - 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Bible Classes - Wednesday 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>TAHOKA St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church</b> South 4th &amp; Ave. M • Tahoka, TX 79373 (806) 561-4436 <b>PASTOR: REV. EDUARDO TEO</b> <b>DEACON: FRANCISCO AGUILAR</b> Mass - 9:30 a.m. Sunday, 7 p.m. Wed. &amp; Thur. Rosary - 7 p.m. Tues. CCE Class/Confirmation Instruct. - 7 p.m. Wed.</p>	<p><b>Wilson St. John Lutheran Church</b> 13th &amp; Dickson • Wilson, TX 79381 (806) 628-6573 Sharing Christ's message of forgiveness and salvation with our community and beyond. <b>LEADERS: REV. YVONNE KIEBLER</b> <b>TONDA FREITAG, PLM</b> Sunday Worship - 9:45 a.m. Sunday School (for all ages) - 11 a.m.</p>
<p><b>Wilson St. Paul Lutheran Church</b> 16th &amp; Houston St. • Box 136 • Wilson, TX 79381 (806) 628-6471 • www.stpaulwilson.com <b>PASTOR: DAVID W. ROHDE</b> Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. Divine Service - 10:15 a.m. "Where Christ Serves People"</p>	<p><b>"The Final Goodbye"</b> Read 2 Kings 2:1-12 Are we ever prepared for the death of someone we love? I thought I was until my father's death drew near. Although I'd watched him waste away, as I looked at his frail body, I struggled for words to express my thoughts. How could I tell him how much he had meant to me? I closed my eyes, hoping to think of something to say that would comfort him. Instead, my mind filled with good memories from the past. I smiled, opened my eyes, and began to tell my dad why his life was special to me. My dad smiled, even laughed, at some of the things I said. For a moment, we clung to the good times of the past despite the bleakness of the present. Celebrating the life of those we love is God's special gift to us. God allowed Elisha to walk and talk with Elijah before a chariot of fire separated them. Saying the final goodbye is painful, yet all who die in Christ are only temporarily separated from those they love. Because Christ lives, so will we. That is the believer's hope in time of death. <b>Prayer:</b> Lord, help us to release those we love into your loving arms. Give us strength and faith to believe we will see them again. Amen. -- The Upper Room</p>		<p><b>First United Methodist Church</b> 1801 Ave. J • Box 500 Tahoka, TX 79373 (806) 561-4503 email: functahoka@poka.com <b>PASTOR: VERNON BAKER</b> Sundays: Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Sunday Worship - 10:45 a.m. Youth - 6 p.m. Sundays, 7 p.m. Wednesdays Branded Ministries - 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays</p>
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**Third in Nation ...** Kenneth Graves of New Home finished third in the nation in IMCA Southern Sportmods. Kenneth has raced in Phoenix, AZ, in New Mexico, and throughout Texas competing against other drivers. Kenneth, 15 years old, had to have special permission to even race in this class, in which drivers are supposed to be 16 years of age. He is the son of Michael and Mary Graves, and grandson of Betty Nieman of Slaton and Freda Holler of New Home. He is sponsored by Superbrite carwash, New Home Coop, MeMe and Papa, and Rock 101.1 and Premier Clinic. While in Waco, Kenneth raced against the National champion, Keith White, and beat him and then the very next night at a different track (Killeen) he beat him again.



**No place to go...** Britt Wuensche, the Bulldogs' top running back, carries the ball against Denver City. The Mustangs won 36-0 over the injury-riddled Bulldogs, who have had many players hurt in the last several games.

**Local Fire Threat:**

**Land Owners Urged To Create Fire Breaks In CRP, Pastures**

In light of recent fire disasters in the United States, particularly in California, the Lynn County Commissioners have stepped up measures to reduce the risk of fire threats in the county. The above-normal rainfall seen in the spring and summer resulted in an abundance of vegetation, but with the current lack of precipitation and increasing wind speeds, the vegetation is drying out and becoming prime fuel for wind-driven fires.

The USDA Service Center has given permission to allow the creation of fire breaks in all CRP land while the burn ban is in place. Local fire departments and fire chiefs encourage all farmers and ranchers to create fire breaks in all pasture lands as well.

"Cutting the fire breaks will decrease the possibility of the fire spreading across the lands, but will also carve a path in the overgrown pastures which will allow fire departments into those areas to assist in fighting the fire," said a county representative. Because of the safety risk to the firemen and the equipment,

some local departments have indicated that they will not go into a pasture to extinguish the fire unless a fire break has been established.

Citizens in town and the county are encouraged to remove all dried vegetation grown up next to their homes, garages, parked cars, or other structures. Vacant lots should be kept clean and free from overgrown vegetation.

In evaluating the fire risks in Lynn County, the County Commissioners' Court established a countywide burn ban that began Oct. 22 and will remain in effect for six months, unless weather conditions change drastically. A violation of the established burn ban is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of up to \$500.

The goal of this ban is to encourage everyone in the cities and county to do their part to reduce the fire risks that may threaten their community. To report a fire in the cities or the county, call the County Sheriff's Dept. at 561-4505, or in an emergency dial 9-1-1.

**Emergency Farm Loan Applications Now Accepted**

Applications for emergency farm loans for losses caused by excessive snow, freeze and frost on April 6-8, 2007, are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency (FSA) office in Tahoka.

according to FSA Farm Loan Manager Curtis Barlow.

Lynn County is one of 40 Texas counties recently named by the Secretary of Agriculture as eligible for loans to cover part of actual production losses resulting from the excessive snow, freeze and frost.

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 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 March 31, 2008, but farmers should apply as soon as possible. Delays in applying could create backlogs in processing and possibly over into the new farming season," said Barlow.

The FSA office in Tahoka is open from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

FSA is a credit agency of the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, 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.

**Gold Rush Preview Set at WBU Nov. 10**

Wayland Baptist University in Plainview is inviting all high school juniors, seniors, college transfer students and their parents to visit the campus this Saturday as part of the Gold Rush college preview weekend. Set for Saturday, Nov. 10, the preview is designed to give prospective students an idea of what they will face, should they choose to enroll at Wayland.

The day includes an overview of the university as well as sessions explaining academic opportunities and financial aid. Prospective students will also have the opportunity to take a campus tour, sit in on mock classes and meet faculty members who teach in their fields of interest. There will also be scholarship auditions for music, art and theatre as well as tryouts for the baseball and soccer teams.

The day begins with a continental breakfast for those who have registered at 8:30 a.m. and ends with a theatre performance of "All My Sons" for those who have made reservations. Admissions and financial aid offices will be open for those interested in applying.

For more information, or to register for Gold Rush, contact the Office of Admissions at 806-291-3500 or 1-800-588-1928.



**Little Johnny Depps ...** These scary pirates were having fun at the Halloween/Fall Festival sponsored by Tahoka Elementary and Pride Corp last Tuesday night. Both reminded us of Johnny Depp in the popular "Pirates of the Caribbean" movies. (Photo by Tina Wuensche)

**Basketball Season Opens Tonight**

High School basketball season opens tonight (Thursday) in Tahoka, with the Lady Bulldogs hosting Seminole at the THS gym. JV girls play at 5 p.m., with the varsity game to follow.

The Lady Bulldogs, under the direction of head coach Steve Fancher, have made it to the playoffs for the past six years.

The girls play again Saturday, Nov. 10 at Coronado (time TBA), and next week the boys

teams join the action. The Bulldogs also made it to bi-district action last year, and the 2005-06 team played in the state tournament, under the direction of coach Drew Stone.

The Bulldogs also open at home, hosting New Deal next Tuesday, Nov. 13, when both JV and Varsity boys and girls will play.



**Tahoka High School 2007-08 Basketball Schedule**

Date	Opponent	Place	Time	Teams
Nov. 8	Seminole	Here	5:00	JVG, VG
Nov. 9-10	Estacado Tourn.	There	TBA	JVG
Nov. 10	Coronado	There	TBA	JVG, VG
Nov. 13	New Deal	Here	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
Nov. 16	Littlefield	Here	5:00	VG, VB
Nov. 19	Stanton	Here	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
Nov. 20	Plains	There	5:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
Nov. 23-24	Fantasy of Lights	W.F.	TBA	VG, VB
Nov. 27	TBA			
Nov. 29-Dec. 1	Tahoka Tourny	Here	TBA	JVG, JVB
Nov. 30	TBA			
Dec. 4	TBA			
Dec. 6-8	Stanton Tourny	There	TBA	VB
Dec. 6-8	I-27 Tourny	There	TBA	VG
Dec. 11	Levelland	Here	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
Dec. 11	Abernathy	Here	5:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
Dec. 18	Sudan	There	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
Dec. 27-29	Slaton Tourny	There	TBA	JVG, VG
Dec. 27-29	Lamesa Tourny	There	TBA	JVB, VB
Jan. 4	Slaton	There	5:00	JVG, VG
Jan. 4	O'Donnell	Here	5:00	JVB, VB
Jan. 8	Idalou	Here	4:00	JVG, VG
Jan. 8	Cooper	Here	5:15	JVB, VB
Jan. 11	Post	There	5:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
Jan. 15	Denver City	Here	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
Jan. 18	Roosevelt	There	5:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
Jan. 22	Slaton	Here	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
Jan. 25	Idalou	There	5:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
Jan. 29	Post	Here	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
Feb. 1	Denver City	There	5:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
Feb. 5	Roosevelt	Here	4:00	JVG, JVB, VG, VB
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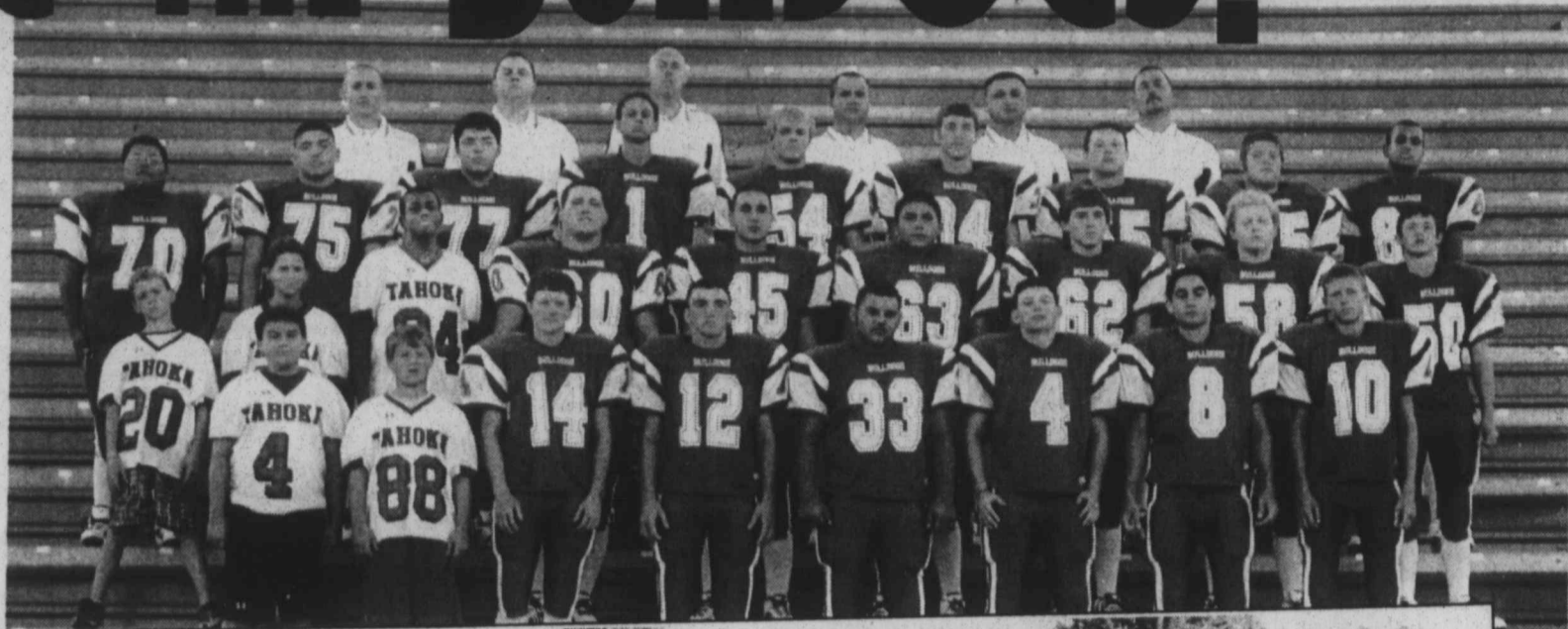
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We're proud of Band Director Carroll Rhodes, Assistant Johnathan Smith, and all Tahoka Band Members

for their hard work and dedication which took them all the way to the State UIL Marching Contest for the first time ever ... WAY TO GO!

LAST WEEK'S SECRET SPONSORS:

- Whitley Mechanical
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- Witt Butane
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- Hudgens Pump

LAST WEEK'S CONTEST WINNER:

**Cassandra Tillman won \$20!**

### Lynn County News Football Contest

WIN \$20 EACH WEEK - WINNER GETS \$40 IF THEY GUESS A SECRET SPONSOR

ALL entries entered in Grand Prize drawing! (MUST have an original entry form - no copies accepted)

Put an "X" in the team's box you think will win. Pick a score for the tie-breaker game.

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Michigan at Wisconsin	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	North Carolina at N. Carolina State	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Dallas at New York Giants	<input type="checkbox"/>

TIEBREAKER (PICK SCORE)

WEEK 10  
Choose 1 Secret Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_  
Your Name / Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clip out and bring to Lynn County News by 4 P.M. FRIDAY  
(YOU MAY USE OUR OUTSIDE DROP BOX - OR  
Mail to Box 1170, Tahoka TX 79373 postmarked by Friday.)

**All entries in the football contest are eligible for the Grand Prize Drawing!**  
**You may win a Color TV with Remote from ...**

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