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## Heflin to discuss Legislative session in town meeting

State Representative Joe Heflin has scheduled town hall meetings throughout District 85 to discuss the issues and outcome of the recently-concluded regular and special sessions of the 81st Texas Legislature. The regular session ended June 1, and Rep. Heflin has returned to the District to report to area residents about the session, to respond to their questions, and to hear about their issues and concerns.

In announcing his town hall meeting schedule, Rep. Heflin said, "I consider this one of the most important parts of a state representative's job - to meet with and hear about the issues that are on the minds of constituents in the district. It is essential both to keep voters informed of what is happening in Austin and to make sure that I can represent their interests to the best of my ability."

The Lynn County Town Hall Meeting is scheduled on Monday, August 17, at 1:30 p.m., in the Downstairs Courtroom at the Lynn County Courthouse, 1501 South First, in Tahoka.

## Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
July 29	88	66	0.58"
July 30	81	63	0.76"
July 31	84	65	trace
Aug. 1	86	66	0.79"
Aug. 2	89	63	
Aug. 3	92	67	
Aug. 4	93	67	

Precipitation for Aug:	0.79"
Precipitation for July:	3.48"
Precipitation for June:	2.03"
Precipitation for May:	1.39"
Total Precipitation Apr:	0.91"
Total Precipitation Mar:	0.35"
Total Precipitation Feb:	0.64"
Total Precipitation Jan:	0.03"
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## We're in the money!

# Courthouse project is a "GO" with funding award

by JUANELL JONES

Lynn County officials were all smiles this week after learning that initial grant funding for the planning phase for the Lynn County Courthouse restoration/renovation project has finally been approved. Lynn County Judge H.G. Franklin and John Baker, grant writer for the \$4.9 million courthouse project, attended a quarterly meeting of the Texas Historical Commission (THC) Courthouse Preservation Program in Fort Worth last Thursday and were told that approximately \$400,000 in planning grant funds have officially been approved for the county project.

"This means we can have final plans and specifications drawn for the courthouse project," said Baker. "Lynn County was awarded the \$400,000 grant from unused funds from round five of THC courthouse preservation program funds. Earlier during the year, THC held some round five funds in reserve for contingencies and also recovered additional unused funds, and it is from these funds that our grant has been awarded," he told *The News*.

Both Baker and Judge Franklin addressed members of the courthouse restoration subcommittee during the meeting, which they had been invited to attend after discussing the project at

the previous quarterly meeting in April in Austin. After the April meeting the Lynn County representatives were told that Lynn County was at the "top of the list" for the reserve funds and to come back for the July meeting.

Now that funding is being awarded, Judge Franklin said that the architectural firm who will draw up specifications for the planning phase, Komatsu Architecture in Fort Worth, has indicated they are ready to work with the project at any time. In fact, the president of the firm, Karl Komatsu (who at one time was chairman of the THC Courthouse Preservation Program and so not only has a heart for historical preservation but also understands the requirements), met with Judge Franklin and Baker at the Fort Worth THC meeting to receive the good news.

"Komatsu has lots of experience in courthouse restoration projects, and they are ready to go to work on the planning phase of our project," Judge Franklin told *The News*.

Once the planning/cost estimate phase is completed and specifications approved by the THC committee, Lynn County will be ready to submit a request for grant funding for the construction phase.

Baker explained that counties who

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**The wait is over ...** Lynn County Judge H.G. Franklin, John Baker, and Harold Hohn are all smiles this week in front of the Lynn County Courthouse, after learning that grant funds for the planning phase of the courthouse restoration project were approved by the Texas Historical Commission Courthouse Preservation Program. Baker is the grant writer for the \$4.9 million restoration/renovation project, and Hohn is chairman of the Lynn County Historical Commission, a group that is committed to preserving the history of Lynn County. County officials have been waiting to hear if Lynn was approved for unused portions of the 2008 grant funding round, which was unanimously approved by the THC committee in their quarterly meeting last week. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)



## Time's up

Reception set Sunday night for long-time volunteer

## EMS volunteer Dee Dee Pridmore breaking 28-year habit of answering ambulance calls

by JUANELL JONES

Since the age of 18, Lynn County Emergency Medical Service (EMS) volunteer Dee Dee Pridmore has been answering the call of the EMS pager when the ambulance is called out, but after 28 years she has turned in her pager and decided her time is up. She will be honored for her long-time volunteer service with a reception this Sunday, Aug. 9, from 7:30-8:30 p.m. at the home of EMS Director Jeanie Stone, 2421 N. 3rd Street in Tahoka, and the community is invited to attend.

Mrs. Pridmore said she began volunteering as the ambulance driver when she worked for Dr. Banerjee at Lynn County Hospital, after she graduated from Tahoka High School. Little did she know that her voluntary offer would turn into 28 years of service to the residents of Tahoka and Lynn County. Since the inception of the Lynn County EMS in the 1970s, Dee Dee Pridmore holds the record for serving the most years with the local voluntary service.

"It was a very hard decision to quit the EMS service this year," Pridmore told *The News*. "I feel so much that people need the EMS service, and for

so many years God told me this is what I need to do. Someone needs to do it, and I felt like if I was not willing to do that then who should? A few years ago I thought maybe it was time to quit, but God again told me, unequivocally, 'no,'" said Pridmore with a smile.

"But in recent months I have had some big problems that serving on the ambulance crew has probably aggravated, and I was really having trouble with it back in May and EMS Director Jeanie Stone knew that. When I turned in my days I was able to be on-call for May, she asked me, 'Do you really want to do this?' and that's when I realized that 'no, I really didn't.' But I said yes. And then I prayed about it again asking God if I could quit yet, and this time I felt like the answer was, 'What, I already gave you an out and you haven't taken it?' So I took it, and I quit - but it still weighs on me," said Pridmore, who may be having a hard time giving up a 28-year habit of volunteer duty.

Pridmore is an EMT-Intermediate, which means she has completed many hours of training to serve in this capacity for the local volunteer EMS service, and also maintained her certification

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## woodwork

by dalton



MOST OF US consciously or unconsciously seek the approval of people around us, because we want to be thought of as nice persons who do the right things and fit right in, although we do prefer to associate with those who share our own opinions in religion, politics and favorite sports teams.

That's why the power of suggestion is so potent, causing us to do some things automatically, like laugh when watching TV sitcoms when the laugh track kicks in, often when there's really not much there to laugh at.

These laugh tracks irritate me, although I understand why the producers of the shows use them. They want the high ratings and they want everybody to think every segment is hilarious. It's all part of the "monkey see, monkey do" syndrome that we have been trained to heed all of our lives.

A good example is when someone yawns in your presence. It is really hard not to respond with a yawn of your own (especially if you're in a boring meeting and you would much rather be someplace else).

Incidentally, there's a tip for getting out of a boring meeting gracefully: find a friend who also is required to be there, but would rather not be, and suggest to him or her, "you faint, and I'll carry you out." This works fine unless some busybody calls 9-1-1.

When I was in high school at Jacksboro, some of us boys would often hitchhike to Fort Worth on Saturday, just to have something to do. Hitchhiking was safe in those days, and we could spend a few hours just goofing around in the big city 60 miles away and still get home by dark.

Anyway, one of the things we'd do sometimes was stand around on a corner near a tall building and look up, and sure enough, other people walking by would stop and look up also, trying to see what we were looking at. When we had a group of several persons stopped, one of us would then say something like, "My gosh, what a building!" and then we'd walk away.

Pretty dumb, I know. But a good example of the power of suggestion.

So next time you're watching a TV program with a laugh track, stop and ask yourself if that last comment was really all that funny. Or maybe not - it could ruin the program for you.





KASIE McAULEY and DANIEL BAKER

**McAuley-Baker engagement announced**

Mr. and Mrs. Tory (TJ) McAuley of Shallowater, announce the engagement of their daughter, Kasie McAuley to Daniel Baker, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Baker of Tahoka.

The future bride is a graduate of Shallowater High School, and is currently attending West Texas A&M. The future groom is a graduate of Tahoka High School, and is currently serving in the US Navy in Naples, Italy.

The couple plans to marry December 19, 2009 at the First Baptist Church in Shallowater.

**Former Tahoka resident escapes wreck injury**

A Lamesa woman who grew up in Tahoka apparently escaped serious injury as her vehicle overturned on U.S. 87 near O'Donnell late Sunday. Betsy Addison was taken by EMS ambulance to Lynn County Hospital, but released after treatment. She reportedly was the only person in the vehicle at the time of the accident.

A dozen persons were jailed here during the last week, and after the normal releases of some prisoners, the total population of Lynn County jail was at 40 early this week, with seven of those held for Lubbock and four for Gaines County.

Charges bringing arrests for the latest group included application to revoke probation for evading arrest, public intoxication, forgery of a financial instrument plus evading arrest, two bench warrants, Lubbock warrants on Class C misdemeanors and possession of a controlled substance, parole violation, driving while intoxicated and DWI third offense, furnishing alcohol to a minor and driving while license invalid, enhanced.

In July, dispatchers at the sheriff's department processed 306 calls, including 136 for the county, 124 for City of Tahoka, 17 for City of O'Donnell, 24 ambulance calls and five fire alarms.

**STORK REPORT**

**Jacob Reed Racca**

Derek and Autumn Racca of Wilson announce the birth of their son Jacob Reed Racca, born June 15, 2009. He weighed 7 lbs and 3 oz and he was 21 inches long. He has two brothers Garrett and Tyler.

Grandparents are Dennis and April Moore of Wilson and Donna Racca of Winnie. Great-Grandparents are Gladys Moore of Wilson and Reed and Edelia Benoit of Winnie, and Preston and Joy Hammond of Lufkin.

**Pleasant Grove MENU**

**Friday and Saturday:** Cheeseburger, hamburger, fish with trimmings, chicken fried steak, French fries, okra.

**Sunday, August 9:** Baked chicken, fried chicken, meatloaf, pinto beans, cabbage, okra & tomatoes, green beans, corn, mashed potatoes, cornbread, peach cobbler. Call in orders at 561-1019.

*Obituaries*



DR. JOE LEHMAN

**Dr. Joe Lehman**

Funeral services for Dr. Joe Lehman were held at Congregation Shaareth Israel at 6928 83rd St. in Lubbock on Sunday, August 2, 2009 at 11:00 a.m., with Dr. Norm Shulman presiding. Internment was at Resthaven Mausoleum. Arrangements were under the direction of White Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Lehman was born on September 2, 1924 in El Campo, to Al and Annie Lehman. He passed on July 31, 2009 at the age of 84 years.

Dr. Joe, as he was known, grew up in Tahoka where he was a proud graduate at the age of 15. He attended the University of Texas at Austin before proudly joining the U.S. Naval Reserve in San Diego. Dr. Joe attended the University Of Texas Southwestern Medical School where he graduated in 1948 with an M.D. He served as an intern at Baylor Hospital at Dallas. In 1949, Dr. Joe started a private practice of medicine in O'Donnell, Texas where he was the only physician for almost 8 years. He was recalled to serve his country, where he was a Captain in the U.S. Army at Ft. Chaffee, Arkansas in addition to a Flight Surgeon for the Arkansas Air National Guard. In 1958, Dr. Joe was honored to be accepted into one of the few nationally available Dermatology residencies, and attended the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine in Philadelphia. He became Chief Resident his senior year. His professors were renowned dermatologists, teachers, authors, researchers, and leaders in the field. They authored the textbooks used to teach dermatology during that time and for years to come, in addition to developing a product later known as Retin-A. He became Board Certified in Dermatology with Dr. Walter Mantooth.

Dr. Joe was a member of the Lubbock, Garza, Crosby Medical Society, Texas Dermatology Association, as well as the American Academy of Dermatology. He was an active member of Congregation Shaareth Israel and served as a board member. Dr. Joe was also a 32nd degree Mason and a member of the Scottish Rite for over 50 years. He had the distinct honor of being nominated and accepted into the Who's Who in American Dermatology. Upon his retirement in 2006, Dr. Joe was the oldest practicing physician in Lubbock.

Dr. Joe was preceded in death by his brother Dr. Robert Lehman.

Dr. Joe is survived by Sylvia, his loving wife of 61 years, and his children Mickey Grice and husband, Steven of San Antonio, Rene' Lehman of Dallas, Dr. Michael Lehman and wife, Evelyn of Lubbock, and granddaughter Shana Fishman and husband, Jason of Dallas, great-granddaughter Madison Fishman of Dallas, and his brother, Dr. Irwin Lehman of Dallas.

Dr. Joe was the world's best husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. We all cherished our time with him and deep in our hearts, we know he had a wonderful life as well. Dr. Joe will be missed greatly by friends and family.

A special thanks to the entire staff and administration at Covenant Hospital, particularly the entire staff of South 10, Lubbock Dialysis Center-Redbud, and Carillon House. The family would like to extend our

greatest appreciation to Dr. C.J. Wheeler, Dr. Jenny Coleman, Dr. Shannon Rivas, Dr. Chandra Dihenia, Cathy Rushing and a special thanks to Dr. Joe's caregiver and good friend Joe Perez.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to Congregation Shaareth Israel 6928 83rd St., Lubbock, Texas 79424 to the Dr. Joe Lehman fund, or the Covenant Foundation in Memory of Dr. Joe Lehman.

Arrangements are under the personal care of White Funeral Home in Lubbock. To register or send condolences online, please visit [www.whitefuneralhome.com](http://www.whitefuneralhome.com). (PAID)



RANDALL HINKLE

**Randall Hinkle**

David Randall Hinkle, a Tahoka High School graduate who rose to the rank of Lt. Cmdr as a nuclear submarine commander in the U.S. Navy and then founded what developed into a multi-million-dollar corporation in Connecticut, died at his home in Stonington, CT at the age of 78 on Monday, July 27, 2009.

Funeral services were on Saturday, Aug. 1, 2009 at Shepherd of the Sea Navy Chapel in Groton, CT. Burial with full military honors followed at Elm Grove Cemetery in Mystic, CT.

Married in June 1954, he is survived by his wife, Muriel; three daughters, Valerie Piland, Janet Lee Hinkle and Sally Russell; a sister, Marie Tankersley of Portland, OR; and five grandchildren.

Born in Clarendon in 1930, Hinkle was raised in the Draw area, graduated from Tahoka High School and was licensed as a Baptist minister before attending Wayland College. He enlisted in the Navy in 1948 and served on submarines before entering the U.S. Naval Academy by fleet appointment.

In the Navy he developed expertise in nuclear powered submarines, particularly in sonar equipment, and after retirement from the active Navy, he and his wife founded Sonalysts Inc., serving government and commercial customers. In 1986 they were among those honored at a White House reception by President Ronald Reagan.

In recent years he has been an active sponsor and participant in the Draw-Redwine reunion.

Memorials and donations made to the LYNN COUNTY PIONEERS 1600 S. 3rd • Box 223 • Tahoka, Tx 79373 benefit our local senior citizens center.



JOHN "JOHNNY" DRAPER

**John "Johnny" Draper**

Services for John Gordon Draper, 69, of Tahoka, were held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, August 4, 2009 at the Church of Christ in Tahoka with Don Fleming and Rick Derrick officiating. Interment followed at Nevels Memorial Cemetery in Tahoka. He died on July 31, 2009 in Tahoka.

He was born in Levelland on May 31, 1940 to Howard Milton and Ruth (Vick) Draper. He graduated from Tahoka in 1958 and attended Abilene Christian College. He married Dorothy Bingham on October 25, 1964 and was a lifelong resident and farmer of Tahoka. He was also a member of the Tahoka Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy; two daughters, Tracy Draper Autry and husband, Gary of Lubbock and Angela Draper of Berryville, Arkansas; one son Kelly Draper and wife, Kim of Tahoka; one brother, Robert Draper of Tahoka; two sisters, Mary Draper Fleming of Loop and Bobbe Draper Petty of Granbury; and six grandchildren, Kasey, Sarah, and Yancy Draper, Hayden and Grayson Autry, and Caleb Durham.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one sister, Margaret and two brothers, Bland and Bill.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be made to Lynn County EMS or a charity of your choice.

Arrangements are under the personal care of White Funeral Home in Lubbock. To register or send condolences online, please visit [www.whitefuneralhome.com](http://www.whitefuneralhome.com). (PAID)

**Order food from "Provider's Pantry"**

"The Provider's Pantry" food ministry, under the direction of Tahoka Trinity Church, will be accepting monthly food orders at Tahoka Trinity Church on Friday, Aug. 14 from 3-6 p.m. Orders using Lone Star cards will also be taken. This is the last date to pay and place orders for the month and no orders will be taken after 6:00 p.m.

Distribution of food boxes will be Saturday, Aug. 29, from 10-11 a.m. at Tahoka Trinity Church, 1925 Lockwood. For more information, contact Polly Smullen at 786-5349 or Charlene Williams at 759-4565.

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## 4B Sales Tax guidelines, opportunities addressed at town hall meeting here

by JUANELL JONES

Business leaders of Tahoka met Tuesday night at the Life Enrichment Center with the 4B Sales Tax steering committee appointed by the Tahoka City Council, to learn more about the guidelines and opportunities associated with the half-cent sales tax for economic development.

Steering committee members Vernon Baker, Julia Allen, Tommy Botkin, Gloria Deleon, Roger Locke Jr., Dee Dee Pridmore and Roosevelt Moore were present at the meeting along with 11 citizens representing various business enterprises in the city.

Four more 4B sales tax meetings are scheduled throughout the town with citizens invited to attend the one most convenient for them, including Aug. 6 at the Greater Antioch Baptist Church, Aug. 13 at the Housing Authority Center, Aug. 18 at the Lyntegar Warehouse, and Aug. 20 at the Church of Christ. All meetings start at 7 p.m. and are open to all interested citizens.

Baker outlined the basic guidelines of the 4B sales and use tax and explained that the number 4B designation is part of the state tax code, which describes how funds collected may be used as well as how they may not be used. State legislators, he said, may "tweak" the 4B guidelines at legislative sessions every two years, but that basically it remains in place as an economic development tool for cities.

"The guidelines are very specific in that city councils must designate a 4B tax board (appoint a 7-member board for a 2-year term) who will choose project options based on available funding, and in turn present the project proposal to the city council, who may approve or disapprove the project but who cannot choose their own project," Baker explained. "The funds collected through the half-cent sales tax may not go into the general fund or other city funds, but must be used for projects for the promotion of economic development as listed in the tax code," he added, noting that the council itself may not propose projects but may simply approve or disapprove projects presented to them by the tax board.

A half-cent sales and use tax would bring Tahoka's sales tax (currently 7.75%) to the maximum amount of 8.25 percent, which is the same as Lubbock. Collection of the half-cent sales tax is estimated to bring \$35,000 annually for economic development in Tahoka.

The wording on the proposed proposition that will be on the Nov. 3 ballot for Tahoka vot-

ers to consider comes from state comptroller's guidelines and includes a long list of projects that the funds may be used for, "including but not limited to projects for the promotion of professional and amateur athletics and sports including stadiums, ball parks, auditoriums, projects related to entertainment, convention, tourist and exhibition facilities, amphitheatres, concert halls, and public parks, park facilities and events, open space improvements, learning centers, municipal buildings, museums and related stores, restaurant, concession and automobile parking facilities, related area transportation facilities, and related roads, streets, and water and sewer facilities, recycling facilities and projects to promote new or expanded business enterprises including public safety facilities, streets and roads, drainage, and related improvements, demolition of existing structures, and general improvements that are municipally owned, development and expansion of affordable housing, as well as any other improvements or facilities that are related to any of the above projects and any other project that the board determines will promote new or expanded business enterprises, and the maintenance and operations expenses for any of the above described projects."

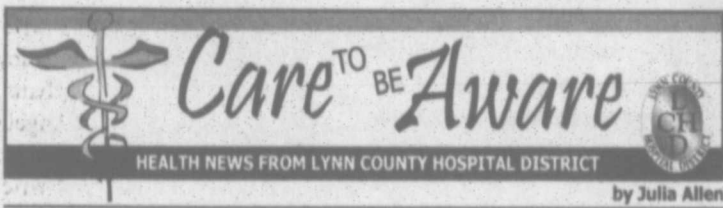
"It's a comprehensive list, but there are things the sales tax specifically cannot be used for as well, including libraries and fire departments, because these entities have other specific funding available for these avenues," Baker told the group.

He asked the business leaders to name some projects that they would like to see the sales tax used for, should voters approve the proposition, saying that if the community could prioritize a list of possible projects they would be more likely to approve the sales tax. Projects listed at the Tuesday meeting included updating the baseball park, swimming pool, beautification projects, hotel/restaurant enterprises, and other possibilities. At each town meeting, Baker said, they will compile a list of suggested projects and then come up with a list of projects that the community will be asked to prioritize according to their own feelings.

"This board is not here to tell people what to do - we want the community to tell us what they want, and how these funds could best be used," said Dee Dee Pridmore. "We are simply hoping to be a tool that the community can use to let the city know what they want," she added.



**Mud tribe ...** After the rains drenched the Tahoka area Saturday morning, these children discovered that playing in the mud can be quite fun, finding lots of the squishy substance in a field just north of town. They rolled and played in the mud, and painted themselves from head to toe. Shown from left are Johnny Rosas, Shelby Meeks, Trace Cook, Kohl Angeley, Tristen Tipton, and Zach Lucero.



by Julia Allen

### TV and Your Kids

We have all heard that watching too much TV is bad for our children. But how much is too much? The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that kids under 2 years old not watch any TV and that those older than 2 watch no more than 1 to 2 hours a day of quality programming.

The first 2 years of life are considered a critical time for brain development. TV and other electronic media can get in the way of exploring, playing, and interacting with parents and others, which encourages learning and healthy physical and social development.

Why is TV so bad? Several effects have been recognized to happen when children watch more TV.

1. Children who watch too much TV are more likely to be overweight.
2. Kids who view violent acts are more likely to show aggressive behavior.
3. Children are apt to develop an attitude that the world is scary and a fear that something bad may happen to them.
4. Children are more likely to accept risky behaviors as normal, cool or fun. Such as smoking, drinking or, substance abuse.
5. Gender-role and racial stereotypes are also reinforced.

What can you as a parent do to limit your child's TV time? Keep the TV out of the bedroom. Turn the TV off during meals. Do not allow TV to be on while doing homework. Stock the TV room with other

entertainment (books, toys, puzzles, games). Treat watching TV as a privilege to be earned. Establish TV rules.

Lastly, practice what you preach - Limit your own TV time. By setting the standard of not turning the TV on you will be amazed how quickly your child's attention will go to other activities. I have recently been practicing this and my child has not seemed to miss her shows and I am getting a lot more done.

### Tickets available for Barham Fundraiser

Tickets are now available for the Douglas G. Barham Fund benefit dinner that will be held Aug. 22 at T-Bar Country Club. The dinner is a come-and-go affair, from 3-7 p.m. Tickets are \$15 per person.

Tickets may be purchased from Cowlick's Barber Salon, Sam Ashcraft Insurance, W. Calloway Huffaker Law Office, City/County Library, T-Bar Country Club, Brad Williams Farms in O'Donnell and from Bam Bam Tomlinson.

A golf tournament, Texas Hold'em poker tournament, and silent auction will also be held in conjunction with the dinner.

"We need about 30 more golfers to fill out the 72-person golf tournament, and still looking for donations for the silent auction," stated a spokesperson for the event. All donations are tax deductible.



**Town hall meeting ...** Vernon Baker addresses a group of business leaders who attended the 4B Sales and Use Tax town hall meeting Tuesday night at the Life Enrichment Center. Baker and other members of the steering committee appointed by the City Council are hosting a series of town hall meetings to allow citizens to learn more about the opportunities and guidelines that the proposed half-cent sales tax may be used for economic development in Tahoka. Four more meetings will be held in other areas of the city for the convenience of citizens, on Aug. 6 at Greater Antioch Baptist Church, Aug. 13 at the Housing Authority Center, Aug. 18 at the Lyntegar Warehouse, and Aug. 20 at the Church of Christ. All meetings start at 7 p.m. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

The community is invited to a Reception honoring

*Dee Dee Pridmore*

for her 28 years of service to Lynn County EMS (1981-2009)

Sunday, August 9, 2009

7:30-8:30 p.m.

at the home of Kent & Jeanie Stone

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LYNN COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT EMS

2600 LOCKWOOD TAHOKA, TX (806) 998-4533

Wilson I.S.D. will hold its

**Open House**

on Thursday, August 20th, from 5:30-7:30 P.M.

5:30 - 6:15 P.M.

Pre-Kindergarten Meeting in Mrs. Hallum's Classroom

Kindergarten Meeting in Mrs. Allmon's Classroom

Dual Credit Informational Meeting in Library

All teachers in all grade levels will be available in their classrooms from 5:30 - 7:30.

Staff members will also be available to answer questions about student registration and transfers.

Make your plans to attend ...

### Doug Barham Memorial Golf Tournament & Fund Raising Event!

Friday & Saturday, August 21 & 22  
T-Bar Country Club in Tahoka!

**TEXAS HOLD 'EM POKER TOURNAMENT:**  
Friday at 7 pm • \$20 Buy-in

**GOLF TOURNAMENT:**  
Saturday at 10 am • 4 Man Scramble • \$100 per person

**BINGO:** Saturday 12 noon-3 pm • for kids and non-golfers

**BBQ DINNER:**  
Saturday 3-7 pm • \$15 per person  
Tickets available at Cowlick's • Ashcraft Insurance • City/County Library • W. Calloway Huffaker Law Office • T-Bar CC • Bam Bam Tomlinson

**SILENT AUCTION:** Saturday 3-7 pm

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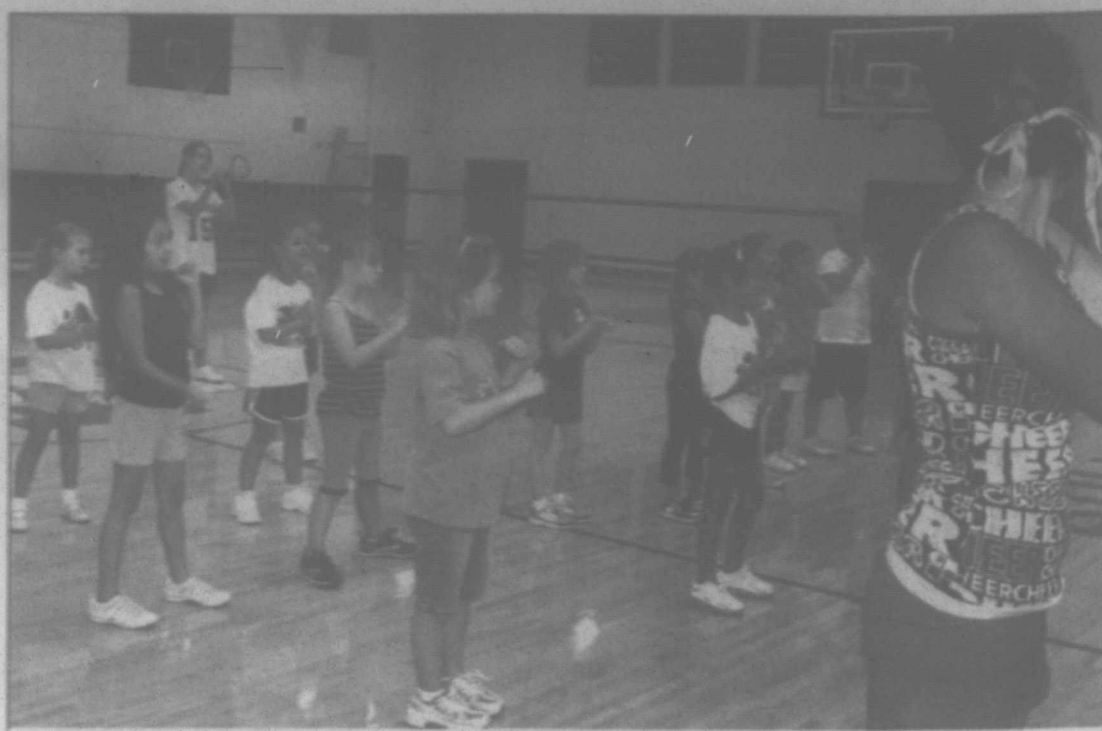
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### Tahoka Middle School Supply List

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| <b>6TH GRADE</b>                  | <b>7th grade (continued)</b>    |
| 1" binder                         | 50 plastic page protectors      |
| Erasable blue or black pens       | Blue or black pens              |
| Red pens                          | Red pens                        |
| Scissors                          | #2 pencils                      |
| #2 Pencils                        | Scissors                        |
| Highlighters                      | Highlighters                    |
| Wide-ruled notebook paper         | Glue Sticks                     |
| 4-Boxes Kleenex                   | Wide ruled notebook paper       |
| Protractor                        | Colored map pencils             |
| Composition book                  | 4 boxes Kleenex                 |
| 2" Binder                         | Composition notebook            |
| Ruler with inches and centimeters |                                 |
| Colored map pencils               | <b>8TH GRADE</b>                |
| 4 folders w/ pockets and brads    | 3" Binder                       |
| Glue sticks                       | Binder dividers (1 set of 5)    |
| 70 page spiral notebook           | 2 folders w/ pockets & brads    |
| 50 plastic page protectors        | 3-70 page spiral notebooks      |
| 3X5 spiral note cards             | 10 plastic page protectors      |
| Compass                           | Zippered pencil case for binder |
| Binder dividers (1 set of 5)      | Notebook paper                  |
|                                   | Blue or black pens              |
| <b>7TH GRADE</b>                  | Red pens                        |
| 3" binder                         | #2 pencils                      |
| 1" Binder                         | Scissors                        |
| Binder dividers (1 set of 5)      | Highlighters                    |
| 8 folders w/ pockets & brads      | Colored map pencils             |
| 70 page spiral notebooks          | 4 boxes Kleenex                 |



**Go Bulldogs!!!...** This group of girls were part of the Cheer Camp that was held this week in Tahoka at the High School gym. Several girls of all ages attended the camp to learn different cheers and fundamentals that it takes to be cheerleaders.



**Working up a sweat ...** Tahoka High School football players (and coaches too) work out early Wednesday after two-a-day practices began on Monday for the upcoming fall season.

(LCN PHOTO by PAM ELROD)

### THC offers free workshops about historical markers

Throughout August and September, the marker program staff of the Texas Historical Commission (THC) will offer free workshops designed to assist in the application process for Official Texas Historical Markers. Workshops will provide an overview of important historical research fundamentals and are intended to aid both potential marker sponsors and county historical commissions (CHC). Topics discussed will include historical and architectural significance and integrity, how to conduct research, and the roles of the THC and CHCs in the marker application process.

August and September workshops will occur in Deaf Smith, Austin, Van Zandt, Palo Pinto, and Victoria counties. These workshops precede the deadline for 2010 marker applications, which will be accepted from Sept. 1–Nov. 20, 2009. The THC's marker staff also encourages applicants to take advantage of the online support materials in an effort to help save the real stories and designate the historic places throughout Texas.

To learn more about the marker workshops and the Official Texas Historical Marker application process visit [www.thc.state.tx.us](http://www.thc.state.tx.us) or contact the THC's History Programs Division at 512-463-5853.

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## NOTICE OF EFFECTIVE TAX RATE

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	LYNN COUNTY	LYNN COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT	CITY OF TAHOKA
<b>LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE:</b>			
Last year's operating taxes.....\$	2,273,250.19	726,374.73	445,704.05
Last year's debt taxes.....\$	296,085.30	0	0
Last year's total taxes.....\$	2,569,335.49	726,374.73	445,704.05
Last year's tax base.....\$	292,199,053.00	293,544,041.00	59,663,474.00
Last year's total tax rate.....\$	0.879310/ \$100	0.247450/ \$100	0.747030/ \$100
<b>THIS YEAR'S EFFECTIVE TAX RATE:</b>			
Last year's adjusted taxes.....\$	2,568,178.23	726,301.46	445,651.16
(after subtracting taxes on lost property)			
+ This year's adjusted tax base.....\$	309,007,962.00	310,379,130.00	60,960,380.00
(after subtracting value of new property)			
= This year's effective tax rate.....\$	0.831104/ \$100	0.234004/ \$100	0.731050/ \$100
(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)			
<b>THIS YEAR'S ROLLBACK TAX RATE:</b>			
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures).....\$	2,332,348	726,301	445,651
+ This year's adjusted tax base.....\$	309,007,962	310,379,130	60,960,380
= This year's effective rate.....\$	0.754785/ \$100	0.234004/ \$100	0.731050/ \$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate.....\$	0.815167/ \$100	0.252724/ \$100	0.789534/ \$100
+ This year's debt rate.....\$	0.094374/ \$100	0/ \$100	0/ \$100
= This year's total rollback rate.....\$	0.909541/ \$100	0.252724/ \$100	0.789534/ \$100
- Sales tax adjustment rate.....\$	0.019298/ \$100		
= Rollback tax rate.....\$	0.890243/ \$100		

#### STATEMENT OF INCREASE / DECREASE

If LYNN COUNTY adopts a 2009 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of 0.831104 per \$100 of value, taxes would INCREASE compared to 2008 taxes by \$19,901.

If LYNN COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT adopts a 2009 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of 0.234 per \$100 of value, taxes would INCREASE compared to 2008 taxes by \$5,842.

If CITY OF TAHOKA adopts a 2009 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of 0.73105 per \$100 of value, taxes would INCREASE compared to 2008 taxes by \$4,326.

#### SCHEDULE A - Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

TYPE OF PROPERTY TAX FUND	GENERAL	GENERAL	GENERAL
BALANCE.....\$	250,942.00	0.00	0.00

#### SCHEDULE B - 2009 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

DESCRIPTION OF DEBT	BUILDING & EQUIPMENT
PRINCIPAL OR CONTRACT PAYMENT TO BE PAID FROM PROPERTY TAXES.....\$	199,500.00
INTEREST TO BE PAID FROM PROPERTY TAXES.....\$	82,755.00
OTHER AMOUNTS TO BE PAID.....\$	---
TOTAL PAYMENT.....\$	282,255.00
Total required for 2009 debt service.....\$	282,255.00
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A.....\$	0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources.....\$	0
- Excess collections last year.....\$	0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2009.....\$	282,255.00
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only of its taxes in 2009.....\$	96% (anticipated collections) 11,760.63
= Total Debt Levy.....\$	294,015.63

#### SCHEDULE C - Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax

In calculating its effective and rollback tax rates, LYNN COUNTY estimated that it will receive \$60,122 in additional sales and use tax revenues. The county has excluded any amount that is or will be distributed for economic development grants from this amount of expected sales tax revenue.

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at

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TAHOKA, TEXAS 79373**

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Date prepared: **JULY 30, 2009**

### Tahoka places

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## Tahoka 3-D band places 3rd at state

The Tahoka 3-D Band placed third in the TMEA IA Honor Band competition last week when the recordings of the eleven-IA finalist were judged along with score viewing. "This is an extremely high compliment to the 08-09 3-D Band," stated directors Carroll Rhodes and Johnathan Smith. "This is the first time Tahoka has even entered the Honor Band competition and to do this well is great. The Honor Band competition ranks even higher than the UIL State Marching Contest, where we are seeking to once again be competitive."

In another competition, the ATSSB Outstanding Performance Series, where individual recordings are judged without scores, Tahoka for the first time placed two in the Finals and both were ranked fourth, the highest ranking to date for Tahoka: Prestissimo in the march division and The Battle of Jericho in the concert division. According to director Rhodes, one judge had ranked the 3-D's recording of Jericho as 1st.

"To each and every student who contributed to the success of the 08-09 Tahoka 3-D Band, congratulations for an awesome year. You truly were 'magnificent' and worthy of all the honors you accrued," stated Rhodes and Smith. "Now, this year's 3-D Band, 09-10, has the opportunity to make it a truly history-making year as they establish their own legacy of success."



**4-H shooting sports ...** Twelve Lynn County 4-H members have been busy practicing and competing at 4-H Shooting Sports events across Texas. Members have competed in Trap, Skeet and 5-Stand competitions and have individually won numerous awards at the shoots. Lynn County 4-H members want to thank Charles and Vicki Ashbrook, Brad Ashbrook and Chris Ashbrook for their continued support of the shooting sports program in Lynn County. Pictured from left to right, back row: Gretchen Henley, Brady Tekell; middle row: Chance Cook, Willie Vest, Kyle Reno, Graham Henley, Caleb Renfro, Keaton Stice; front row: Britt Lockaby, Colton Stice, Braden Cook, and Jared Green.

## Tahoka Middle School sets 'Back to School' night on Aug. 20; Classes start Aug. 24

Tahoka Middle School student schedules will be mailed the week of August 17. Class changes can be made the first week of school. Enrollment packets will be sent home the first day of school.

Tahoka Middle School will host a Back to School Night on Thursday, August 20 from 7:00 til 8:00 p.m. Students and parents are invited to attend.

Students begin classes on Monday, Aug. 24.

Reserve Booth Space for the  
**Lynn County Harvest Festival**  
on Sept. 26th  
Call 561-4440

## Hospital procedures evaluated

Evaluation of procedures in Lynn County Hospital in 23 different categories of service was presented to the hospital board last Thursday in a semi-annual report of continuous quality improvement. The board accepted the report.

Administrator Jim Morris advised the board that progress is being made, but slowly, on renovation of patient rooms, with some delays caused by inability to get all materials on hand as soon as needed. He also noted that some other renovation projects are planned.

Morris advised that new chairs have been purchased and placed in the dining room of Lynnwood Assisted Living facility, which continues to oper-

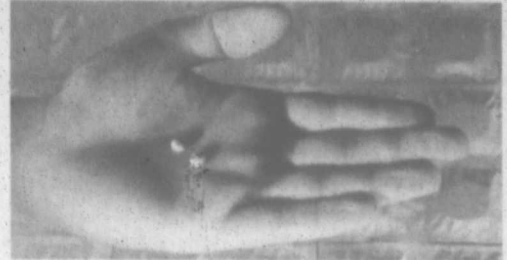
ate at full occupancy.

The need for more volunteers in the EMS ambulance program was discussed at length, with some recommendations for solving the problems to be addressed at next month's board meeting.

Billy Tomlinson, who had served the hospital as part of the EMS and as a board member for 24 years, was present as the board expressed appreciation to him for his years of service to the hospital.

President Jerry Ford presided, and all members were present at the meeting, including Jannis Horwood, Virginia Griffing, Nancy Guillems, Frances Truehart, Cal Huffaker and Dalton Wood.

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	CITY OF O'DONNELL	CITY OF NEW HOME	CITY OF WILSON
<b>LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE:</b>			
Last year's operating taxes.....	125,383.45	33,014.57	77,304.74
Last year's debt taxes.....	13,922.24	0	0
Last year's total taxes.....	139,305.69	33,014.57	77,304.74
Last year's tax base.....	16,653,400.00	7,171,156.00	9,678,820.00
Last year's total tax rate.....	0.836500/ \$100	0.460380/ \$100	0.798700/ \$100
<b>THIS YEAR'S EFFECTIVE TAX RATE:</b>			
Last year's adjusted taxes.....	139,041.94	33,014.57	77,304.74
(after subtracting taxes on lost property)			
+ This year's adjusted tax base.....	16,008,050.00	7,322,500.00	9,925,990.00
(after subtracting value of new property)			
= This year's effective tax rate.....	0.868575/ \$100	0.450864/ \$100	0.778811/ \$100
(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)			
<b>THIS YEAR'S ROLLBACK TAX RATE:</b>			
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures).....	125,146	33,015	77,305
+ This year's adjusted tax base.....	16,008,050	7,322,500	9,925,990
= This year's effective rate.....	0.781769/ \$100	0.450870/ \$100	0.778814/ \$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate.....	0.844310/ \$100	0.486939/ \$100	0.841119/ \$100
+ This year's debt rate.....	0.085648/ \$100	0/ \$100	0/ \$100
= This year's total rollback rate.....	0.929958/ \$100	0.486939/ \$100	0.841119/ \$100
- Sales tax adjustment rate.....			
= Rollback tax rate.....			

### STATEMENT OF INCREASE / DECREASE

If CITY OF O'DONNELL adopts a 2009 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of 0.868575 per \$100 of value, taxes would INCREASE compared to 2008 taxes by \$712.

If CITY OF NEW HOME adopts a 2009 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of 0.450864 per \$100 of value, taxes would INCREASE compared to 2008 taxes by \$963.

If CITY OF WILSON adopts a 2009 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of 0.778811 per \$100 of value, taxes would INCREASE compared to 2008 taxes by \$692.

### SCHEDULE A - Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

TYPE OF PROPERTY TAX FUND	GENERAL	GENERAL	GENERAL
BALANCE	111,051	0	0

### SCHEDULE B - 2009 Debt Service

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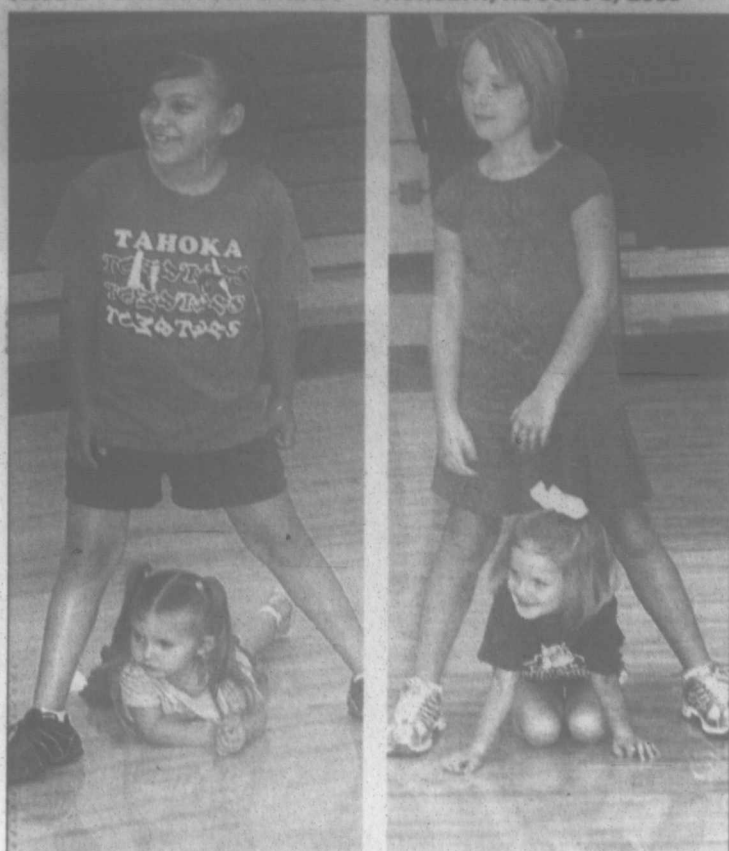
DESCRIPTION OF DEBT	WATERWORKS G.O. BONDS Series 1977
PRINCIPAL OR CONTRACT PAYMENT TO BE PAID FROM PROPERTY TAXES.....	10,000
INTEREST TO BE PAID FROM PROPERTY TAXES.....	2,150
OTHER AMOUNTS TO BE PAID.....	--
TOTAL PAYMENT.....	12,150
Total required for 2009 debt service.....	12,150
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A.....	-0-
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources.....	-0-
- Excess collections last year.....	-0-
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2009.....	12,150
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only of its taxes in 2009.....	88% (anticipated collections) 1,656.82
= Total Debt Levy.....	13,806.82

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**Who let the dogs out?... These girls were part of the Cheer Camp that was held this week in Tahoka at the High School gym. In this photo, the girls have fun with a routine to "Who let the dogs out."**  
(LCN PHOTOS by Pam Elrod)

**AgriLife Extension offers QuickBooks Pro courses in August**

Texas AgriLife Extension Service will offer QuickBooks Pro computer short courses on Aug. 19-20 in Amarillo and Aug. 25-26 in Lubbock. Each day of training will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., said DeDe Jones, AgriLife Extension risk management specialist in Amarillo.

Jay Yates, AgriLife Extension economist in Lubbock, will coordinate the course in that region. Both courses will be at the Texas AgriLife Research and Extension Center in the respective cities.

QuickBooks Pro is a double-entry business accounting program often used by agricultural lenders and producers, Jones said. In the two-day course, participants will learn how to enter transactions into the program and analyze costs and profits.

Registration is \$75, which will cover computer-lease payments and teaching materials, Jones said. Couples are encouraged to attend and will be charged only one registration fee if they share a computer.

Class size for each course is limited to 15 to provide a "hands-on" experience for all participants. The classes filled up last year in both Amarillo and Lubbock, so registering as soon as possible is important, Yates said.

Program tips will be discussed throughout the course, and no prior computer experience is necessary, they said.

For more information, contact Jones at 806-677-5667 or Yates at 806-746-6101.

To register for the course in Amarillo, send name, address and phone number to DeDe Jones, Texas AgriLife Extension Service, 6500 W. Amarillo Blvd., Amarillo, Texas 79106. For Lubbock, Jay Yates, Texas AgriLife Extension Service, 1102 E. FM 1294, Lubbock, Texas 79403.

Payment is due upon arrival on the first day of the course.



**Second place winner... Pete and Angie Gutierrez of Tahoka are shown with the car they entered in the Las Fiesta's De Amarillo Car Show held in Amarillo, July 19. They won 2nd place.**

**Senior Citizens MENU**

August 10-14

- Monday:** Steak fingers w/ white gravy, buttered new potatoes, steamed broccoli, bread, fruit
- Tuesday:** Sour cream chicken enchiladas, Spanish rice, red beans, lettuce & tomato salad, ice cream cones
- Wednesday:** Fried chicken, potato salad, three bean salad, biscuits, cobbler
- Thursday:** Ham & cheese quesadillas, Mexican rice, refried beans, tossed salad, jell-o w/ fruit
- Friday:** Beans & cornbread, fried potatoes & onion, tomato & red onion salad, applesauce cookies

• Weekly domino night on Mondays at 6:00 p.m.

• Good news! Our can bin has been secured with locks. The bin will be open during the week 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for your can donations. After 1:00 p.m. and on weekends, please call Bianca at 201-9169 and she will arrange to meet you at the bin to accept your can donations. Thank you for your continued support with our community cans collection.

**Tocker Foundation continues support of local library**

The City-County Library in Tahoka has just completed a grant in the amount of \$4,920 from the Tocker Foundation, utilizing the funding to purchase much needed computers and materials for the library. This marks the latest grant from the foundation, which has donated over \$46,000 to the library since 1997.

"We are so thrilled to once again be a recipient of the Tocker Foundation's generosity," said Library Director Claudia Guin. "They have been so wonderful to us in the past, and their continued support means we are able to offer our patrons materials we wouldn't otherwise be able to provide."

Funding from the latest grant was used to purchase over 90 audio books, 62 large print books and 79 videos. According to Guin, "Our circulation numbers continue to increase year after year; the more we are able to provide, the more citizens are able to make use of our library."

Two laptop computers were also purchased with the grant

funding, bringing the total number of available public access computers to seven. "Since 2005 the number of computer users in our library has increased over 100%," said Guin. "We are so limited on space, we simply have no room for additional desktop computers. Our three laptop computers, all provided by the Tocker Foundation, have helped ease the wait time for patrons wanting to utilize our computers."

The Tocker Foundation, based in Austin, was established in 1964 to implement the philanthropic interest of Phillip and Olive Tocker. In 1992 the foundation board decided to focus grant distribution to small rural libraries serving a population of 12,000 or less and partners with community libraries to meet the particular needs of the community.

Darryl Tocker is Executive Director of the foundation; other board members are Dr. Robert Tocker (Chairman), Mrs. Barbara Tocker, Mr. Mel Kunze, Ms. Brooke Sheldon, and Mr. Terry Tocker.

**Notice**

LYNN COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT  
2600 LOCKWOOD STREET  
TAHOKA, TX 79373

**INDIVIDUAL NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF FREE OR PART PAY MEDICAL CARE**

Lynn County Hospital District will provide at least \$90,000.00 of free and part pay care this fiscal year. This care is available to individuals who cannot afford to pay for their medical care.

Uncompensated services for Lynn County Hospital District are limited to all inpatient services, all day surgeries, all outpatient diagnostic and radiological examinations, all emergency room services, all ambulance services and all outpatient rehab and therapy services performed by LCHD employees and the Lynn County Hospital District.

To determine eligibility of this care, LCHD uses maximum level of income, for the appropriate family size, which is established by the HHS income poverty guidelines. The current maximum levels of income are given below.

FAMILY SIZE	INCOME GUIDELINES
1	\$10,830.00
2	\$14,570.00
3	\$18,310.00
4	\$22,050.00
5	\$25,790.00
6	\$29,530.00
7	\$33,270.00
8	\$37,010.00

For families with more than 8 members, add \$3,740.00 for each additional member.

The services will be provided to those who first request it until the compliance level is met for this fiscal period.

To make a request for uncompensated services, please contact the administrator or financial officer in the business office. This staff member will make a written determination of your eligibility or non-eligibility for the services within 2 working days of your completed request. 32-1tc

**Class schedules, packets available at High School**

Tahoka High School students may pick up their information packets and class schedules at the high school on Aug. 11-12. Students in grades 9-12 may come at any time those two days during regular hours, 8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. to pick up packets at the front office.

The packets are filled with forms and information that must be signed and returned to the school office before the first day of school, according to THS Principal Troy Hinds.

"Students absolutely must fill out and return these forms before the first day of school, and can bring them to the high school office anytime during regular business hours before Aug. 24," said Hinds.

**Rep. Heflin reappointed to Ag/Energy committee**

Representative Joe Heflin, of Crosbyton, announced that he has been reappointed by Texas House Speaker Joe Straus to the Agriculture, Environment and Energy Committee of the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL). NCSL is one of the country's premiere national legislative organizations "that works to enhance the role of states and state legislatures in the federal system."

NCSL opposes "unfunded federal mandates and preemption of state authority, and seeks to provide state legislatures the flexibility they need to innovate and be responsive to the unique needs of the residents of each state."

The Agriculture, Environment and Energy Committee is one of the NCSL's 12 standing committees and has oversight over state and federal agriculture and rural development legislation, natural resources and energy and electric utilities legislation. The Committee tries to make sure that Congress and federal agencies are sensitive to how proposed laws and regulations impact rural areas and their surrounding communities.

**Back to School Immunization Clinics**

will be held at the **FAMILY WELLNESS CLINIC**

located at 1705 Lockwood St. in Tahoka

Last Clinic date is

Monday, August 10 • 1:00-5:00 p.m.

NO APPOINTMENT NEEDED.

There will be a \$12 administration fee charged for each immunization due at time of service. No insurance or Medicaid will be accepted at this time.



LYNN COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT

FAMILY WELLNESS CLINIC  
1705 LOCKWOOD, TAHOKA

**JOIN OUR SAFARI: AN EXPEDITION TO EXEMPLARY!**

Thursday, Aug. 20 is **Back To School Night** at **TAHOKA ELEMENTARY**

Elementary Schedule for Back To School Night:  
Parent/Student/Staff Meetings  
(Must attend to get ticket for hot dogs)

- PK (3 & 4 year olds).....5:00-5:15 Elementary Gym
- Kindergarten.....5:15-5:30 Cafeteria
- 1st & 2nd Grades.....5:45-6:00 Cafeteria
- 3rd Grade.....6:15-6:30 Elementary Gym
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**GARAGE SALE: 2508 N. 4th • Saturday, 9 am-1 pm.** Men's, women's, boys and girls clothes and shoes, twin and full size bedspreads, toys, home décor and lots more. 32-1tp

**GARAGE SALE: 2301 N. 3rd • Friday 8-5 and Saturday 8 am-noon.** Men's, women's, boys and girls clothes, bedding, furniture, appliances, toys and lots more. 32-1tc

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**GARAGE SALE: 1816 N. 2nd • Friday & Saturday 9:00-12 noon.** Miscellaneous items, Spanish CD's and cassettes, purses, etc. 32-1tp

**TWO FAMILY GARAGE SALE: 1628 S. 6th • Friday & Saturday 9:00-3:00.** Color TV, children's and adults clothes, kitchen items, winter clothes, microwave, lamps, bedspreads, lots more. 32-1tp

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**GARAGE SALE: 1801 S. 3rd • Saturday 8:00-7** Kitchen chairs, miscellaneous furniture, corner sink, tires, lots of miscellaneous. 32-1tp

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**CRP fire ...** Tahoka Volunteer Fire Dept. members responded to a CRP fire last week, dousing flames first on Monday and then again Tuesday after embers started a new blaze in land west of FM 179 and south of Hwy. 380 in western Lynn County. Volunteers assisted by bringing water to the fire trucks throughout the day. (LCN PHOTOS by Pam Elrod)

**Courthouse a "GO" ...**  
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have their planning specifications completed get additional points in the funding ratings, and in fact most of the counties who were awarded Round V funds did have their planning phase completed and were ready for the construction phase. Round VI of funding will be considered in 2010 after the state legislature designates how much funding will be available for courthouse preservation programs. Funding is designated every two years by the legislature.

"It's possible that we could be ready to submit for funds in 2010, but more likely that it will be during the 2012 round of funds that Lynn County's project will be considered for the construction grant funds," Baker told *The News*. "But whenever we apply I believe we will be in really good shape because we will get added points on our score for having completed the planning phase. And, once they have committed to providing funds, for the planning phase they (the THC committee) is committed to helping counties complete their projects with the construction phase," he added.



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**AgriLife Extension to conduct alfalfa workshop Aug. 14**

Alfalfa producers can update their production expertise at an upcoming Texas AgriLife Extension Service workshop and field tour scheduled from 8:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Aug. 14 near Lubbock.

The workshop will begin at Texas Boys Ranch northeast of Lubbock and later move to Idalou for the field tour.

To find the Texas Boys Ranch from U.S. Highway 62/82, go 1.5 miles northeast of Loop 289, turn north and go two miles on County Road 2800. Or from Interstate 27, exit on to Farm-to-Market Road 1294 (Exit 11), go five miles east to Liberty Gin, then go south 3.5 miles on County Road 2800.

Workshop topics will include fall planting, irrigation requirements, variety selection and insect and weed control.

Three Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units will be offered.

The program will conclude with a visit to a drip irrigation alfalfa field north of Idalou.

Individual registration is \$20 at the door. The fee includes an alfalfa production book.

For more information, contact the AgriLife Extension office in Lubbock at 806-775-1680 or Dr. Calvin Trostle, AgriLife Extension agronomist at Lubbock, 806-746-6101 or by email at ctrostle@ag.tamu.edu.

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- Pre-K**
- 1-Box 8 large triangle shaped Crayola crayons, regular colors, write your child's name on the paper at the flat end of the crayon
  - 3-4oz bottles of Elmer's glue
  - 2-glu sticks
  - 2 boxes Kleenex
  - 1-Nap mat-thin one only with plastic cover
  - 2 Pocket folders No Brads (1 red, 1 blue)
  - Fiskars Scissors
  - 1 Tray 8 count watercolors—regular colors NO neon
  - Regular size backpack (No tiny ones, no wheels)
  - Change of clothes- shirt, shorts or pants, underwear & socks, in a plastic. Label clothes with child's name in permanent ink. Label all supplies with your child's name in permanent ink. We do not use pencil boxes or boxes of markers.
- Kindergarten**
- Do not put names on supplies.
  - 1-Package of #2 pencils
  - Fiskars Scissors
  - 2-24 Count Crayola crayons
  - 2 Large boxes Kleenex
  - 1 Bag cotton balls (white)
  - 3-4 oz bottles of Elmer's glue
  - 1-Box 8 count washable Crayola markers
  - 1-School box, small size
  - 2-Yellow pocket folders
  - 1-Package assorted construction paper
  - 1 Plastic mat for nap
  - 1 Standard size backpack
  - 4 Glue sticks
  - Change of clothes- shirt, shorts or pants, underwear & socks, in a plastic. Label clothes with child's name in permanent ink.
- 1st Grade**
- Label all supplies with your child's name
  - 1 Pair sharp point Fiskar scissors
  - 4 Glue sticks
  - 8 Pencils
  - 2-24 Count Crayola crayons
  - 2 Large boxes Kleenex
  - 1 Large eraser
  - School box
  - 1 Spiral notebook 120 pages wide-ruled
  - 2-Box 8 count washable Crayola markers
  - 2 Pocket folders No Brads (1-red, 1 blue)
  - 1 Set watercolor paint
  - 1 Box colored pencils

- 2nd Grade**
- Folders- 2 blue, 2 yellow, 2 green
  - 1-1 1/2" ring binder
  - 1 Spiral notebook
  - 3 Packs of wide-ruled notebook paper
  - 1 pkg Crayola crayons
  - 1-Pkg colored pencils
  - 1-Pkg colored markers
  - 1-Pkg pencils
  - Larger eraser
  - 1 Bottle Elmer's glue or glue stick
  - 1-Pair scissors
  - 1-ruler
  - 1-Pencil box
  - Backpack
  - Girls- small Ziplock bags
  - Boys- Large ziplock bags

- 3rd Grade**
- #2 Pencils
  - 2- pink erasers
  - 1-Pair scissors
  - 1-24 count Crayons
  - 1- Map colors
  - 1-Box markers
  - 2- Glue sticks or 1 bottle Elmer's glue
  - 1-12 inch/centimeter ruler
  - 2- red pens
  - 1-Small school box or bag for supplies
  - 4-Pocket folders (2 Blue, 1 Yellow, 1 Red)
  - 2 Wide ruled spiral notebooks, 1 subject
  - 1 Pkg wide rule loose leaf notebook paper
  - 1-3" Binder or notebook to hold paper
  - 3 Boxes Kleenex
  - Students whose last name begins with the letters A-M-bring 1 box of sandwich zip bags
  - Students whose last name begins with the letters N-Z bring 1 box of large zip bags

- 4th Grade**
- Your child will need one shoebox by the end of September and another one by the end of October.
  - #2 Pencils
  - 1-Small school box or bag for supplies
  - 2- Red pens
  - 1 Bottle Elmer's glue
  - 1 Pkg wide rule notebook paper
  - 3 Spiral notebooks
  - 3 Boxes Kleenex
  - 1-Pair scissors
  - 2-Glue sticks
  - 1-12 inch ruler metric and inches
  - No bendable rulers
  - 1-Pkg Map colors
  - 1-Pkg Markers
  - 3 Pocket folders no brads 1 each of yellow, blue and red
  - 2 Pocket folders with brads (1-green)
  - 2 Pink erasers
  - 2 Highlighters
  - 1 Box gallon size bags
- 5th Grade**
- There may be other materials needed. You will be informed of additional supplies during open house
  - 1-3" Binder
  - 2-Blue plastic folders with pockets (brads optional)

**Pridmore to be honored ...**  
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throughout the years with additional hours of training.

EMS Director Stone says that Pridmore has made an estimated 2,800 ambulance runs during her volunteer career, and she has probably been down all or part of the paved, unpaved, and just plain sandy ruts of roads in the 892 square miles in Lynn County – not to mention the thousands of miles on Hwy. 87 with ambulance transfers to Lubbock hospitals. Try to imagine, too, that Pridmore has spent—more than 52,000 hours being on-call for Lynn County EMS – that's averaging 13 12-hour shifts per month, or 1,872 hours a year multiplied by 28 years (that's actually 52,416 hours if you want to take the time to do the math). That's a lot of time to volunteer in addition to a full-time job at Poka Lambro Telephone, where Pridmore has worked for many years. Add in the many hours of continuing education training and untold hours of responding to 9-1-1 calls as a "backup" crew even when not on call, and the numbers of volunteer hours are mind-boggling.

"I know it was time for me to quit, but I worry about our ambulance service in Lynn County. Lynn County EMS is down to nine certified EMS crew and three ambulance drivers who cover the entire county 24/7 and they need more help, and I don't see the young people stepping up to the call of service," said Pridmore. "What is this community going to do if we lose our ambulance service?" she added.

She admits that EMS crews

- 5th Grade (continued)**
- 2- Pkgs College rule notebook paper
  - 1-24 count Crayons
  - 1- Map colors
  - 1-Box markers
  - 3-Boxes Kleenex
  - 2 Blue or black pens
  - 2 glue sticks
  - #2 pencils
  - 2 Highlighters
  - 1 pair pointed scissors
  - 1 Pencil bag or box
  - 1 pkg assorted construction paper
  - 3 College rule spiral notebooks (one subject; red, blue, green)
  - 1-12 inch ruler (customary and metric)

see a great deal of trauma that can cause some memories they don't really want to have, but she says that realizing they are making a difference and in many cases, saving lives, makes up for all the hard part.

"People have thanked me so many times for helping them," said Pridmore. "I remember one case when we transported a woman who was in an automobile accident to the hospital, and I ran into her about a year later. 'My doctor told me you saved my life, and I wanted you to know that,' she told me, because I had insisted on putting her in a neck collar (standard procedure for trauma victims) even though she complained about it, saying her neck was fine and it was her foot that hurt. I told her if she was going anywhere in our ambulance she was going to be wearing a neck collar. She found out later at the hospital that her neck was broken, and her doctor said we saved her life by insisting she wear the collar until she got to the hospital," said Pridmore.

Once, she remembers, she broke the diamond out of her wedding ring when her hand was run over by the gurney on the ambulance. "My husband had the diamond replaced, and then he gave me a gold wedding band without any diamonds on it, with an inscription engraved on the inside of the ring that said, 'For EMS use only,'" she recalls with a smile.

There are undoubtedly many memories associated with her EMS service – some good, some bad, some strange, and some hilarious – that she will be sharing with her former Lynn County EMS crew members at the reception for her on Sunday.

As for members of the local community, we can only express our thanks for voluntary service that goes way beyond the call of duty to all of our local EMS members, and a special thanks to Dee Dee Pridmore for giving 28 years of unstinting dedication to her community in such a manner.

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