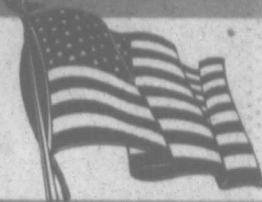


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Firemen's Fish Fry

Friday, Oct. 2
6:00 p.m.
at the
Tahoka Mini Park
All-you-can-eat
Fish Dinner
Make plans to attend and support our local fire department!

FOOTBALL

FRIDAY NIGHT GAMES

New Deal at Tahoka (Homecoming)
O'Donnell at Dawson
New Home at Midland Trinity
Wilson at Christ the King

Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Sept. 16	80	59	
Sept. 17	78	58	
Sept. 18	77	56	
Sept. 19	78	56	
Sept. 20	88	59	
Sept. 21	85	60	
Sept. 22	67	49	0.08"
Precipitation for Sept:			1.07"
Precipitation for Aug:			1.09"
Precipitation for July:			3.48"
Precipitation for June:			2.03"
Precipitation for May:			1.39"
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O'Donnell Queen ... The O'Donnell 2009 Homecoming Queen is Rebecca Hensley, crowned Friday night at the football game. She was escorted by her father, Scott Hensley. (LCN PHOTO by Vondell Elliott)

Harvest Festival events set Saturday

The 34th annual Lynn County Harvest Festival will be held at the courthouse square in Tahoka on Saturday, Sept. 26, featuring live entertainment, food booths, games, and cash prizes from audience participation. The Harvest Festival Prince, Princess and Queen will also be named during the afternoon.

Trivia questions will be asked from the stage, with the audience winning cash prizes for correct answers and for bringing items (such as the right color hair bow, paperclip, etc.) to the stage. Cadillac Jack's band will perform throughout the day as well.

The Harvest Festival is offering a \$1,000 trip voucher raffle, with tickets being sold by prince and princess candidates as well as other organizations in the community. The drawing will be held at the end of the day, and the winner may choose the date and destination for the trip.

Children are invited to bring their turtles for the turtle races sponsored by the Lynn County Extension Office, beginning at 10 a.m. at the square. The City/County Library's annual Silent Auction fundraiser also begins at 10 a.m., with bids closing at approximately 3:30 p.m.

A total of 49 booths will be open throughout the day, with a wide variety of food offered and games/activities for all ages including pony rides, jumbo slide, ring toss, car bash, and more. A complete list of Harvest Festival booths is listed on page 3 in this edition of *The News*, as well as a list of prince/princess candidates and a schedule of the day's events.

This year's festival will offer a special Queen's contest.

Bring lawn chairs for seating on the courthouse lawn. Admission is free.



Wilson Homecoming royalty ... The Wilson Homecoming King and Queen were crowned at homecoming festivities in August. Artie Castillo, son of Arthur and Janie Castillo, and Jenny Autry, daughter of Terri Autry Covington, are the 2009 Homecoming King and Queen.

Welcome, exes, to Tahoka Homecoming

TAHOKA HOMECOMING EVENTS

Thursday, Sept. 24

- 8:30 p.m. Black Out Pep Rally (THS cheerleaders will sell glow sticks, for \$2 each, outside the gym door for the Black Out Pep Rally)
- 9:00 p.m. Spirit Fire on practice field

Friday, Sept. 25

- 12:00 noon THS students dismissed for Homecoming festivities
- 12:30-1 p.m. Registration for Ex-students assembly held in the THS auditorium (note location)
- 1-2 p.m. Ex-Students Assembly: NHS, StuCo, Varsity Football players, Cheerleaders, Football Queen nominees and Band in attendance
- 2:30 p.m. Homecoming Parade line-up
- 3:00 p.m. Homecoming Parade
- 3:15 p.m. Pep Rally at the Courthouse
- 7:00 p.m. Homecoming festivities begin
- Football Queen will be crowned, pre game
- 7:30 p.m. THS Bulldogs vs. New Deal
- After game Various class reunions

CLASS REUNIONS

- Class of 1984** 25th Year Reunion, meet at Main Event Entertainment in Lubbock (6010 Brownfield Hwy.) Saturday, 6-10 p.m.
- Class of 1979** 30th Year Reunion, meet Friday at noon at City-County Library to go to Exes Assembly; meet 6:15-6:30 at ticket booth on east side of stadium for Homecoming game; After game, meet at home of Cal Huffaker, 2511 N. 4th. Saturday: BBQ Dinner at Life Enrichment Center, 7:30 p.m.
- Class of 1964** 45th Year Reunion, meet at 5:30 p.m. Friday at the Tahoka Housing Authority center.
- Class of 1959** 50th Year Reunion, meet Friday at noon for lunch at Betsy Pridmore home and attend exes assembly at THS; meet at Lyntegar building after the exes program for visitation/food/pictures (all friends of Class of 1959 also invited to attend).

FROM CITY HALL... Football Game Traffic Re-Routed

We will be trying something new this Friday night at Kelly Field. We are going to route traffic one way westbound on North 2nd Street, northbound on Avenue Q, and then eastbound on North 4th Street. Also, traffic will not be allowed to park next to the fence on North 2nd Street.

This change will only be during the home games, and we hope this will cause traffic to flow smoothly around the football field.

There will be barricades placed at the intersections with "Do Not Enter" signs and "One Way" signs. If you will pay attention to the signs everyone shouldn't have any problems.

After this first trial run contact city hall, 561-4211, and tell us what you think.

woodwork by dalton



THIS AREA has had what seems to most of us an unusually hot summer, and only recently has the weather cooled down a bit, with temperatures more pleasant, as they usually are in the fall.

However, it still gets pretty warm sometimes, and if you have been looking for a cool spot, the scientists at NASA have found a good one. They claim it is the coldest spot in our solar system, and it's on the moon. Most of us won't be going to the moon anytime soon, so we may have to find a cool spot closer to Lynn County.

(I have never been to the moon. I did go to Dallas once.)

How cold is this place on the moon? According to an Associated Press story, scientists measured the inside of a crater at the moon's south pole at 397 degrees below zero. This was in a place that is permanently shadowed and never sees the sun, and reportedly that temperature is only 35 degrees higher than the lowest temperature possible.

The scientists also said that's one degree colder than the planet Pluto, which is much further away from Earth than the moon, and which they previously had thought was the coldest spot anywhere.

The story made no attempt to explain the technology it must have required to measure temperature inside a dark crater of the moon; I probably wouldn't understand it anyway. Maybe they sent some guy up there with a really thick space suit with super-thermal underwear, with a little thermometer in his hand. Well, a really big thermometer, if the mercury in it had to go that low. I can see him looking at it and remarking, "Gee, a big bowl of chill would sure hit the spot right now."

If the rest of the moon is anywhere near as cold as it is in that crater, I would guess that once we colonize the moon, the planet will not be a prime market for air conditioning or refrigerators.

I sort of wonder if they can really determine that 397 degrees below zero is just one degree colder than it is on Pluto.

Pluto is Mickey Mouse's dog. That could be the origin of the phrase, "colder than a dog."



MR. and MRS. MICHAEL GARCIA
(nee: AMANDA TRUELOVE)

Couple exchange wedding vows

Amanda Dawn Truelove of Tahoka and Michael Jon Garcia of New Home, were united in marriage at 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday September 9, 2009 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Garcia in New Home. Carroll Rhodes, of Tahoka, officiated the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Joel and Laurie Truelove of Tahoka, and the granddaughter of Don and Linda Davis of Ada, OK, Bob and Bobbie Truelove of Oregon and great-granddaughter of Mae Martin of Ada, OK. The groom is the son of Rudy and Kathy Garcia

of New Home, and the grandson of Harold and Catherine Keck of Ruidoso, NM and Eva Garcia of Lubbock.

The bride was escorted by her father.

Serving as Maid of Honor was sister of the bride, A'Leesha Truelove of Tahoka. Serving as Best Man was Joey Garcia, brother of the groom, of Lubbock.

The couple will reside in New Home following their honeymoon in Ruidoso, NM. The groom is employed with the Lubbock Police Department. The bride is a graduate of Tahoka High School and is employed by ABC Bank.

Obituaries

SMSgt. Arthur E. Hagens, Jr.

SMSgt. Arthur E. Hagens, Jr. "Uncle Jack", 79, of Bean Station, TN., formerly of Tahoka, died Thursday, September 16, 2009. Memorial services will be held at a later date.

He retired from the U.S. Air Force after 27 years of service, and from the U.S. Pentagon after 10 years of service.

Survivors include two sons, Royal Hicks and Clifton Coolery; one brother Marvin Hagens; two sisters, Geraldine Powell and Mary Lou Clary; one grandson and several nieces and nephews.

Lillie M. Ray

Memorial services for Lillie "Lee" M. Ray, 77, of Tahoka, formerly of Augusta, GA., will be held Tuesday, September 29, 2009 at the Tahoka Trinity Church. She died Saturday, September 19, 2009 at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

She was born and raised in Georgia, and moved to Tahoka in 2000.

She was preceded in death by her husband and one daughter.

Survivors include one sister, Missouri "Polly" Smullen of Tahoka; one daughter, Ann and her husband Carl of North Carolina; three grandsons and one great-grandson.



Princess/Prince candidates ... Pictured here are the six Harvest Festival Princess and Prince candidates, who are selling tickets for chances to win a \$1,000 trip voucher. They are, from left, Kaylyn Green, Cheyenne Rios, Nadalie Carrasco, Noe Olveda, Jayda Rosas and Zayne Sires. Winners will be announced at Saturday's Harvest Festival.

(LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

THS Class of '59 Reunion is Friday

The THS Class of 1959 will celebrate their 50th class reunion during Homecoming on Friday, September 25. There were 47 graduates in the class and nine of those graduates have passed away. The class has heard from all but two classmates and most have responded to the announcement of the reunion and will be attending.

The following events have been planned for Friday for the class: Meet at the home of Betsy Adams Pridmore for lunch, attend the Homecoming program at the high school. After the program, meet at Lyntegar building for visitation, food and picture taking.

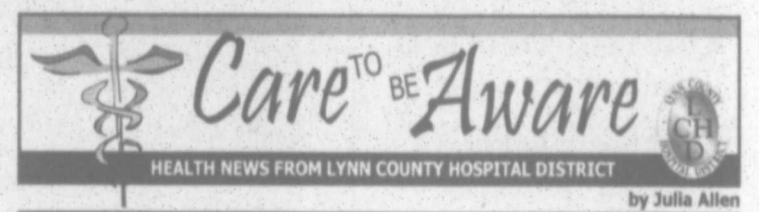
The class has invited as their special guests, two former teachers, Mrs. Madeline Hegi and Mrs. Lottie Jo Walker. They have also invited classmates that did not graduate with them, but were a special part of this class at one time. The Class of '59 would like to invite other classes to please come by the Lyntegar building and visit with us anytime after the program.

Any further information may be obtained from Betsy Adams Pridmore, Billy and Jolene Sikes Tomlinson, or Marybelle Wood Mahurin.

Benefit dinner set for Harry Howell

A benefit dinner for Harry Howell is scheduled for Sunday, September 27, from 12:00-1:30 at the O'Donnell Elementary Cafeteria.

The meal will be a fajita dinner with all the trimmings. Donations will be accepted and appreciated and take-outs will be available.



Prostate Cancer

September is National Prostate Cancer Month. What is Prostate Cancer? According to the Prostate Cancer Foundation prostate cancer occurs when cells within the prostate grow uncontrollably, creating small tumors. Unlike normal cells, the growth of cancer cells is no longer well-regulated. Instead of dying as they should, cancer cells outlive normal cells and continue to form new, abnormal cells. Abnormal cell growths are called tumors.

The term "primary tumor" refers to the original tumor; secondary tumors are caused when the original cancer spreads to other locations in the body. Prostate cancer typically is comprised of multiple very small, primary tumors within the prostate. At this stage, the disease is often curable (rates of 90% or better) with standard interventions such as surgery or radiation that aim to remove or kill all cancerous cells in the prostate. Unfortunately, at this stage the cancer produces few or no symptoms and can be difficult to detect.

Prostate cancer is the most common non-skin cancer in America, affecting 1 in 6 men. A non-smoking man is more likely to develop prostate cancer than he is to develop colon,

bladder, melanoma, lymphoma and kidney cancers combined. In fact, a man is 35% more likely to be diagnosed with prostate cancer than a woman is to be diagnosed with breast cancer.

In 2009, more than 192,000 men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer, and more than 27,000 men will die from the disease. One new case occurs every 2.7 minutes and a man dies from prostate cancer every 19 minutes. It is estimated that there are more than 2 million American men currently living with prostate cancer.

How curable is prostate cancer? In general, the earlier the cancer is caught, the more likely it is for the patient to remain disease-free. Because approximately 90% of all prostate cancers are detected in the local and regional stages, the cure rate for prostate cancer is very high—nearly 100% of men diagnosed and treated at this stage will be disease-free after five years. By contrast, in the 1970s, only 67% of men diagnosed with local or regional prostate cancer were disease-free after five years.

The important thing is to have your yearly checkups. There are many treatment options for prostate cancer so the patient and his family should look at all options before making a decision.

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Pleasant Grove MENU

Notice: Pleasant Grove Kitchen is closed Mondays and Tuesdays, open Wednesday-Sunday for lunch (but closed this Saturday for the Harvest Festival).

All orders are carryouts. Call 561-1019 to place order and ask for daily specials.

Sunday menu: Turkey and dressing w/all the trimmings, or chicken fried steak, candied yams, green beans, corn, and dessert

Deadline for news and ads is NOON TUESDAYS at The Lynn County News

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Class of 84 reunion set

The Tahoka High School Class of 1984 will gather at Main Event Entertainment in Lubbock (6010 Brownfield Hwy) for their 25th Class Reunion on Saturday, September 26 from 6-10 p.m. A Southwest Buffet will be served from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Cost for the meal is \$15 per person. Please call Todd Pebworth (575-309-6982 or 1-800-356-4817) if you plan on joining the group for the meal.

"This is a family event so bring your kids! We look forward to visiting at the Homecoming and Harvest Festival events Friday and Saturday as well!" said a class member.

Homecoming & Harvest Festival Time

We welcome all Exes and hope everyone has a great time at homecoming on Friday and comes out to the square to enjoy Harvest Festival activities on Saturday. We appreciate all our friends and neighbors and enjoy doing business with you.



Don't forget to come out and watch the Homecoming Parade on Friday beginning around 2:30 p.m. on Bulldog Boulevard (N. 4th St.), east of the school down to Main Street then south to the courthouse square. Harvest Festival Prince/Princess/Queen contests begin at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday.



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Monday-Friday

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Monday-Friday

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Convenience Store, Tahoka

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Order Your Bulldog Logo Mat Today!

The Mats are HERE - come see!

Only \$20
20"x30" size mat



College mats available:

Texas Tech • Texas A&M • Texas • Baylor

NFL mats available:

Pallas Cowboys • Houston Texans

College/NFL mats are \$25 20"x30" size

CONTACT:
Mary or Pat at Tahoka High School
to place your order for any of the above mats!
Call 561-4538 today.

Drinking, minor wreck reported

One minor traffic accident was reported in Tahoka during the last week, and in separate incidents, police made arrests for public intoxication and drunk driving.

Last Thursday in the 2200-block of N. 2nd St., a 2009 Chevrolet pickup driven by Edward Cook, 67, of Tahoka was backing out of a parking lot and struck a parked 2001 Chevrolet pickup owned by Robert Warren of Tahoka.

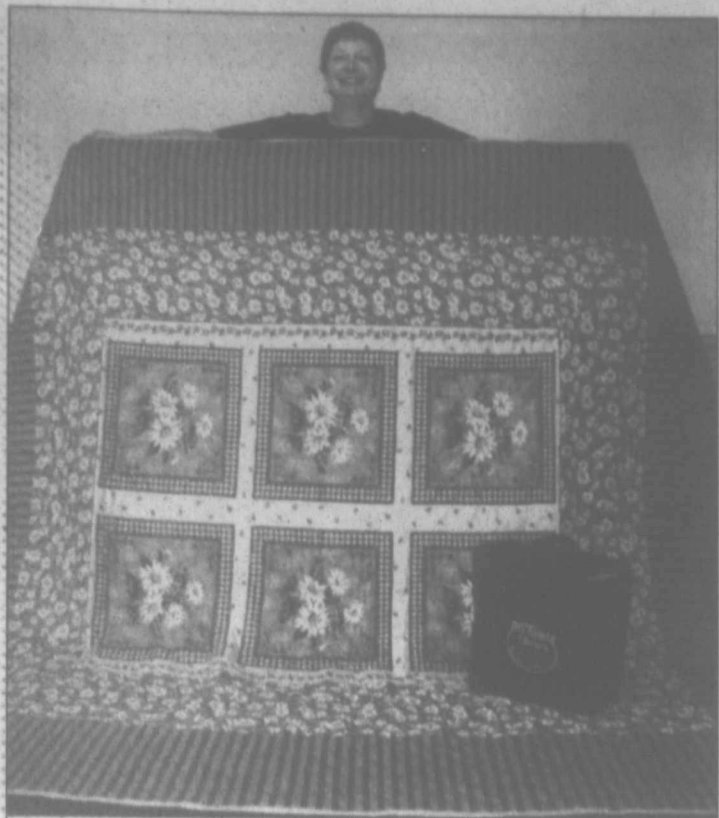
Tahoka male residents age

31, 43 and 56 were arrested on the liquor law violations.

Nine persons were jailed during the last week, leaving the jail population at 45, with seven held for Lubbock and one for Garza County. Three were arrested for driving while intoxicated, two for public intoxication, and others for possession of marijuana, burglary of a habitation, displaying fictitious vehicle inspection certificate and a bench warrant for burglary of a habitation.

TAHOKA SCHOOL NEWS

by THS Journalism Students



Win this quilt, buy the bag ... City/County Librarian Claudia Guin holds a quilt (full/queen size) made and donated by Vendell Elliott, which the library is offering as a raffle prize. Tickets are \$1 each. The library is also selling tote bags as a fundraiser for the library, good for carrying books or groceries. The bags are purple, and are \$5 each.

Wilson School Menu

September 28-October 2
Breakfast

Monday: Breakfast burritos
Tuesday: Oatmeal & toast
Wednesday: Sausage on a stick
Thursday: Egg, hash brown, toast
Friday: Breakfast pizza

Lunch

Monday: Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, corn, salad, French bread sticks, sliced peaches
Tuesday: Chicken patty sandwich, later tots, western beans, orange smiles
Wednesday: Burritos, Spanish rice, salad, fresh fruit, sugar cookies

Thursday: BBQ Chicken, mac & cheese, salad, cornbread, pears
Friday: Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, hot rolls, frozen cherry bar

Motley County Pounds Wilson

The Motley County Matadors battered Wilson 58-6 last Friday in a six-man football game called at halftime because of the 45-point rule. Wilson's lone score was on a 7-yard run by Arthur Castillo in the first quarter. Castillo also caught three passes for 55 yards in the shortened game. Jordan Guzman was the leading tackler for the Mustangs.

Baker wins in Cross Country
Kordell Baker won the middle school boys cross country meet held in Wilson, Sept. 19. Micaela Torrez finished first for the girls, and 16th overall.

7th grade football Falls to Coahoma

By Alex Webster
The Tahoka 7th grade football team lost to Coahoma 20-0 last Thursday, Sept. 17. They will face New Deal at home Sept. 24.

8th Grade Boys Beat Coahoma

By Brittany Garcia
The 8th grade football team beat the Coahoma Bulldogs 28-0 on Thursday, Sept. 17. Ke'shawn Hood scored three touchdowns and one 2-point conversion. Kordell Baker had one touchdown, and Ray Parmer had one 2-point conversion.

They will also face New Deal at home Sept. 24.

Varsity Dogs lose to Coahoma

By Seth Hawthorne
The Tahoka Bulldogs faced off against the Coahoma Bulldogs on Sept. 18. Tahoka was defeated, 42-12.

During the first quarter Coahoma was the first to put six points on the board but failed in making the field goal. The score at the end of the first quarter was 0-6 favoring Coahoma.

The second quarter was more successful on the offensive end with Neiko Garcia throwing a 20-yard touchdown pass to sophomore Andy Hinds. Coahoma made two more touchdowns and a successful 2 point conversion.

The third quarter was uneventful for Tahoka, although Coahoma scored two more touch-



Chuck-E-Cheese visits ... Chuck-E-Cheese visited with the Tahoka Elementary 3-year-old class members this week, delighting youngsters with the surprise visit on Monday. Virginia Herrera is the class teacher.

New Home School Menu

September 28-October 2
Breakfast

Monday: Pancakes
Tuesday: Breakfast taco
Wednesday: Granola bars
Thursday-Friday: Not available

Lunch

Monday: Chicken quesadilla, lettuce, tomato, rice, pinto beans, pineapple slices
Tuesday: Deli sandwich, lettuce/tomato, pickle slices, baby carrots, chips, peach cup
Wednesday: Hamburger/cheeseburger, trimmings, fries, cookie
Thursday-Friday: Not available

downs and made both field goals. The score was 35 to 6 to end the third.

During the fourth quarter Tahoka's Ridge Hall broke for a 54-yard run and scored 6 for the Tahoka bulldogs. Tahoka tried for 2 but failed to get in the end zone. Coahoma also scored and made a successful field goal making the final score 42 to 12 Coahoma.

Tahoka ISD to dismiss early Friday

Tahoka ISD will dismiss at 12:30 on Friday, September 25. Buses will run at 12:35.

Welcome to the 34th Annual Lynn County Harvest Festival



WIN CASH PRIZES ALL DAY!

Our Wheel of Fortune will determine how much cash prize you win - up to \$100! - when you answer Trivia Questions or bring On-Person Items to the stage!

Thanks to all the area merchants who donated cash for these cash prize give-aways!

Music!
Live Music All Day by Cadillac Jack's

Bring your Lawn Chairs for seating

\$1000 Trip Voucher
Harvest Festival Drawing:
Date and destination is winner's choice!

Cow Patty Bingo
Win \$250 and \$100, sponsored by THS Junior Class

Quilt Raffle
Drawing from Lynn Co. Pioneers

Saturday, Sept. 26, 2009

on the Courthouse Square

IN TAHOKA, TEXAS

10:00 a.m. _____

★ Booths Open on courthouse square

★ Turtle Races

(On street north of Courthouse, sponsored by Lynn County 4-H)

★ City-County Library Silent Auction Opens

1:30 p.m. _____

Harvest Festival Prince, Princess & Queen Contests begin

3:30 p.m. _____

Silent Auction bidding closes at the Library booth

5:00 p.m. _____

Festival closes

Visit These Booths for Fun, Food & More!

FOOD BOOTHS

Rotary Club.....	Sausage on a Stick, Drinks
Phebe K. Warner Club.....	Beans, Cornbread, Drinks
Richard Whitley.....	Funnel Cakes, Curly Fries
Senior Citizens.....	Quilt Raffle, Bake Sale
St. Jude Church.....	Brisket Burritos
Rosa Longoria.....	Hamburgers, Lemonade
FBC WIC.....	Caramel Apples
Angie Gutierrez.....	Gorditos, Nachos Supreme
Irene Guerra.....	Poppers, Barbados Burritos, Tea
Daisy Silvas.....	Kettle Corn
Diana Swartz.....	Corn-on-Cob, Flavored Lemons, Water
THS Freshman Class.....	Ice Cream
Rufus Hunter.....	Philly Cheese Sandwiches
Rosa Solorzano.....	Tamales, Roasted Corn
Greater Antioch Baptist.....	Pies, Quilt Raffle
Faith Chapel (EMC).....	Sausage Wraps
Brad Crawford.....	Fried Pickles, Fried Twinkies, Fried Hotdogs, and Information
Socorro Chavarria.....	Snow Cones, Cotton Candy, Bread
Brenda Garcia.....	Torta, Frito Pie
Michael Artiga.....	Pretzels
Fred Castillo.....	Fajitas
Henry Garcia.....	Chopped Burgers, Enchiladas

CRAFTS, GAMES, ETC.

City-County Library.....	Silent Auction
4-B Sales Tax.....	Information
Home Inventory.....	Information
Virginia Quintero.....	Jewelry, Handbags
Pete Gutierrez.....	Kiddie Train
Lorecia Segovia.....	Balloons, Go Fish
Michelle Bertreaux.....	Jewelry, Purses, Etc.
Nancy Williams.....	"Through the Eyes of a Hunter's Wife" Book
Nancy Williams.....	Jewelry, Leather Goods, Ceramic Personalized Tiles
Sons of Confederate Veterans.....	Knives, Flags, Scarfs and
Mike Walker.....	Information
Lisa Pierce.....	Jewelry
Poka Lambro.....	Information
Susan Sweeden.....	Pony Rides
CATES.....	Crafts
THS Junior Class.....	Cow Patty Bingo, Water Yo-Yos, Jail
St. Jude's Children.....	Spinning Games
Jean Pruitt.....	Hats, Sunglasses, Collectibles, T-Shirts, Hair Bows
Pride Corps.....	Pencils, Bookmarkers, Shirts
Kyle Johnston.....	Knives
Nicole Salazar.....	Hair Bows, Little Girl's Stuff
THS Senior Class.....	Jumbo Slide
Raynee Mires.....	Jewelry, Home Décor
Diana Swartz.....	Children's Games
Margaret Flores.....	Ring Toss
THS Sophomore Class.....	Inflated Boxing, Face Painting, Car Bash
Gina DeLeon.....	Jewelry

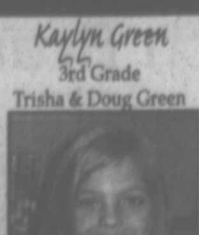
2009 Lynn County Harvest Festival Prince and Princess Candidates



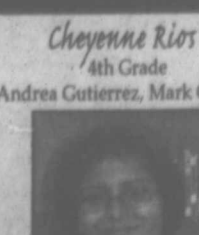
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2nd Grade
Vicki DeLeon



Jayda Rosas
2nd Grade
Johnny & Shelly Rosas



Kaylyn Green
3rd Grade
Trisha & Doug Green



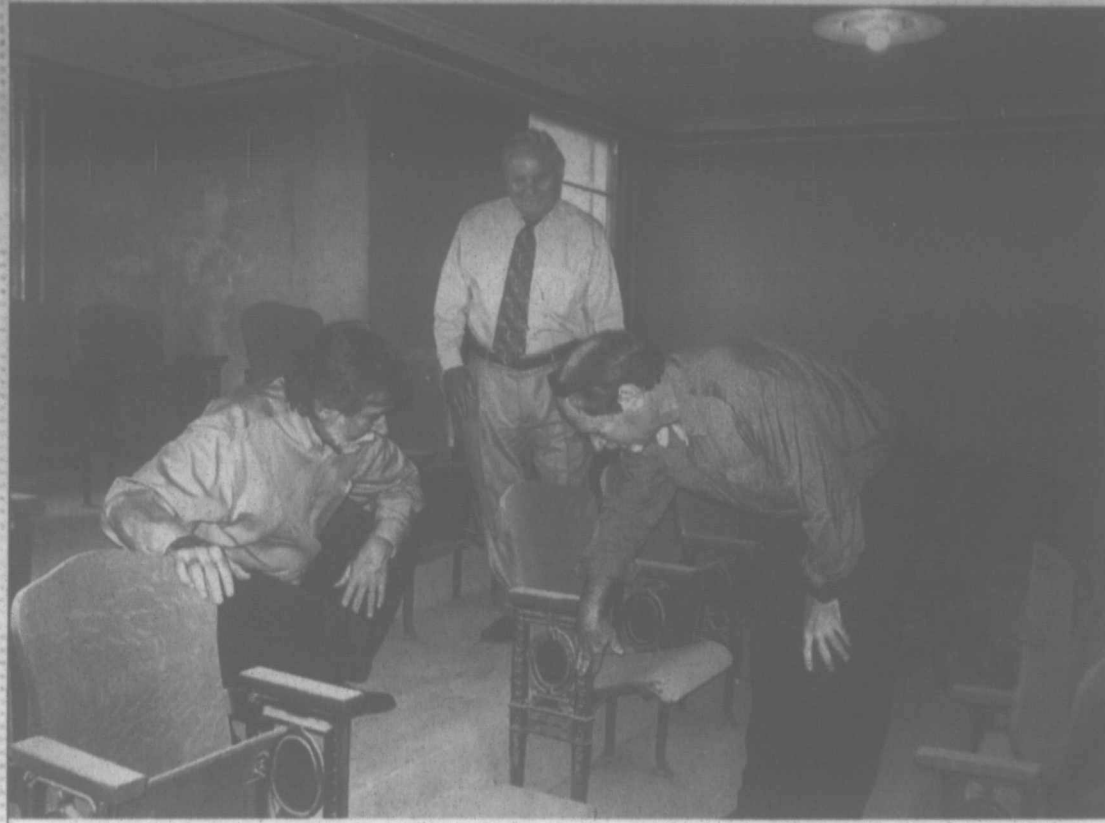
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4th Grade
Andrea Gutierrez, Mark Garza



Nore Olveda
2nd Grade
Lucinda Olveda, Juan Olveda



Zayne Sires
4th Grade
Amber Sires, Brandon Hughes



Detailing plans for Courthouse ... Lynn County Judge H.G. Franklin (center) met with Gordon Marchant of Komatsu Architecture (left) and Lyman Labry of the Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program, to discuss the details for the planning phase of the courthouse restoration/renovation project. Funds for the planning phase were approved in July, and Komatsu Architecture is drawing up the final plans and specifications for the project, working with the Texas Historical Commission's courthouse preservation program to ensure the specifications meet their requirements. In this photo, the men are in the balcony of the district courtroom (an area not currently open to the public) where the original wooden chairs are still in place, and the goldleaf stenciling on the walls is still visible. The plan will include restoring the balcony for public use back to its original detail, as well as all other areas of the courthouse, including the upper third floor level which is currently unused. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

**Info at Harvest Festival:
Pick your top
community projects
for Tahoka**

The Tahoka 4B Steering Committee working for the adoption of a one-half cent sales tax for the City of Tahoka (not a property tax) for Economic/Community Development will have a booth at the Harvest Festival Saturday.

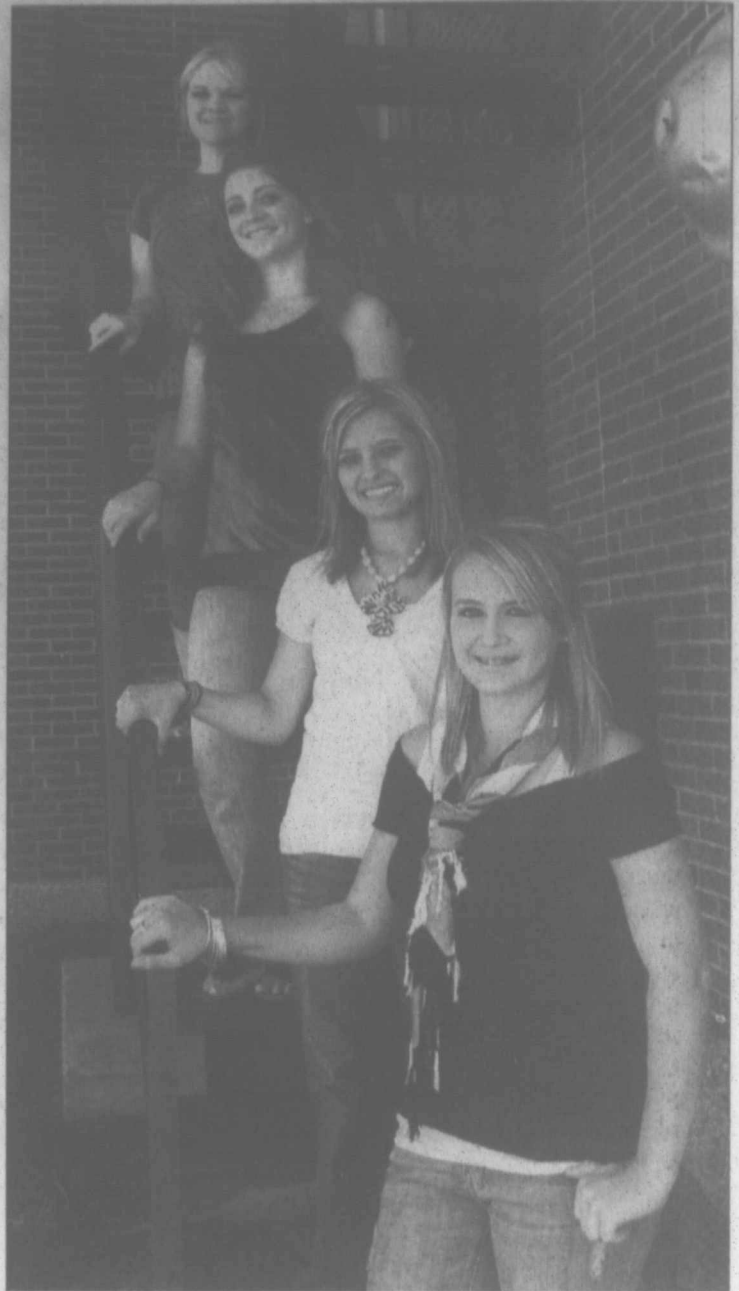
"Your input is welcomed for ways to improve our community. You will have the chance to pick your top selections from the many suggestions made during the group's five Town Hall meetings. You may also add your own ideas and ask questions," said Vernon Baker, spokesperson for the committee.

"By completing the form at the Harvest Festival booth, your name will be entered in a drawing for prizes from local merchants," he added.

The list will contain a variety of project ideas to choose from including: City Clean Up, Removing Hazardous Buildings, New Ball Fields, New and Renovated Parks, Job Skills Training, Enticement of New Businesses, Renovate Swimming Pool, A Shop Local Campaign, Development of Courthouse Square, and many others.

The 4B Steering Committee members Julia Allen, Vernon Baker, Tommy Botkin, Gloria Deleon, Roger Locke Jr., Roosevelt Moore, and DeeDee Pridmore will be at the booth to answer questions and listen to opinions.

The 4B Sales Tax proposition will be on the ballot for voters in Tahoka to consider at the Nov. 3 election. If approved, an additional one-half cent sales tax would be assessed on purchased items (not a property tax) eligible for sales tax, and would raise local sales tax to 8.25%. It is estimated the half-cent sales tax would bring \$35,000 annually to the city that would be used only for economic development.



THS queen candidates ... Tahoka High School Football Queen nominees for Homecoming are, from top, senior Jynna Askew, junior Kaitlyn Reno, sophomore Harley Reynolds, and freshman Taya Bishop. The queen will be crowned during pre-game ceremonies Friday night, starting at 7 p.m. at Kelley Field. (THS PHOTO)

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Lunch

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VFD gets "new" water truck ...

Tahoka Volunteer Fire Department has purchased a 4,000 gallon tanker truck that will provide additional water as needed for fighting fires inside the city or elsewhere in the county, with firemen practicing with the new equipment at their Monday night meeting.

Fire Chief Steve Sanders said the 1984 model truck was purchased from an individual operator who provided water for the forestry service, FEMA and the Bureau of Land Management, selling the truck upon his retirement to the Tahoka VFD for \$24,500, which included the cost of inspecting the truck and getting the vehicle to Tahoka. Sanders estimated a comparable new truck would cost \$175,000. "No tax money was used to purchase this truck," said Sanders, explaining that \$16,000 in funds came from the Texas Forestry Service, through FEMA's reimbursement program from a presidential directive for the two years of extreme wildfire threat to the state during 2006-07, and the remainder came from donations, annual fish fry fundraisers, and a sizable donation from Wildcat Manufacturing in Tahoka. (LCN PHOTOS by Juanell Jones)



Coahoma wins Dogfight 42-12

Coahoma's red Bulldogs were too much for the blue Bulldogs of Tahoka, with the home team winning at Coahoma Friday 42-12.

It was the fourth straight loss this season for Tahoka, which this week will host powerful New Deal in a homecoming game.

At Coahoma, the Bulldogs fell behind 6-0 at the end of the first quarter, but came back to tie the game early in the second on a 20-yard touchdown pass from QB Neiko Garcia to Andy Hinds. But Coahoma came back with two more touchdowns to take a 21-6 halftime lead that was never relinquished.

The red Bulldogs added 21 more points before Tahoka scored in the fourth quarter on a 54-yard run by Ridge Hall.

Kyron Lawson gained 60 yards in 18 carries. Garcia completed 10 of 18 passes for 60 yards. Two passes each were caught by Hinds, Hall, Jason Newdiger and Ricardo Delgado.

Defensive statistics were led by Hall, Xavier Zamarron, Garcia, Jamie Bingham, John Cantu and Delgado. Newdiger also intercepted a Coahoma pass.

GAME AT A GLANCE

TAHOKA	COAHOMA
9	17
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10-18-0	13-22-1
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1-5	6-35
4-29.5	2-27



O'Donnell Queen candidates... Bethany Vasquez, Stephanie Jaime and Rebecca Hensley were the 2009 Homecoming Queen candidates for O'Donnell High School. Bethany is the daughter of Joe and Norma Vasquez, Stephanie is the daughter of Carlos and Adella Jaime, and Rebecca is the daughter of Scott and Linda Hensley. (LCN PHOTO by Vondell Elliott)

baked potatoes, corn, homemade rolls, apricots

Friday: Sloppy joe confetti tacos, Mexican rice, red beans, cookies

HARVEST FESTIVAL BOOTH: Be sure to come by and check out our annual booth at the Harvest Festival on Saturday September 26. This year we will have a variety of yummy baked goods, as well as some dinner casseroles for sale. You will also be able to pick up a copy of our cookbook, Timeless Treasures. This year's quilt has a patriotic theme and is especially beautiful. There will also be a consolation raffle, which means that each raffle ticket you purchase will have TWO chances to win. All proceeds from the booth will benefit the

Senior Citizens. Your support is greatly appreciated.

FLU SHOT CLINIC: We will be hosting a second flu shot clinic on Wednesday, September 30, beginning at 9:30. Please come in to get your flu shot for the approaching flu season.

Also, on Wednesday, September 30, join us for a meal and birthday cake as we celebrate September birthdays: Eloise Chamblee, Manuel Espinoza, Nancy Guilliams, Freda Jeffcoat, Clovis McElroy, Bobbie Moore, Antonia Ruiz, Joy Thomas, Dorothy Walker, Nora Wood, Don Schnieder and Victor Stienhauser, both of Wilson.

Wednesday, September 30, Maureen, courtesy of Covenant Health Care, will be performing over the dinner hour.

Senior Citizens MENU

September 28-October 2

Monday: Beef stew, egg noodles, tossed salad, cornbread, fruit of the day

Tuesday: BBQ Ribs, potato salad, ranch style beans, bread, pecan pie

Wednesday: Happy September Birthdays! Meatloaf, mashed potatoes and gravy, green bean casserole, homemade rolls, birthday cake

Thursday: Cornflake chicken,



Eagles zap Amherst ... The O'Donnell Eagles outscored Amherst 77-44 in a wild six-man football game at O'Donnell Friday. In the above photo, Eagles running back Rico Antuna (42) carries the ball, while teammate Landry Villarreal (72) helps clear the way. (LCN PHOTO by Vondell Elliott)

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Wilson Cross-Country invitational held

The Wilson Run-Around invitational cross-country meet was held recently, with competitors from Wilson, Tahoka, O'Donnell, Seagraves, Loop, Post, Morton, Whitharral, Christ the king, Southland, Jayton, Patton Springs and Trinity.

Following are results of the Lynn County athletes who placed in the top 10.

JV Girls: 8th place, Juana Lopez of Wilson-17:46; 9th place-Cheyenne Britt of O'Donnell-17:48, and 10th place, Mayra Gonzales of Wilson-17:56.

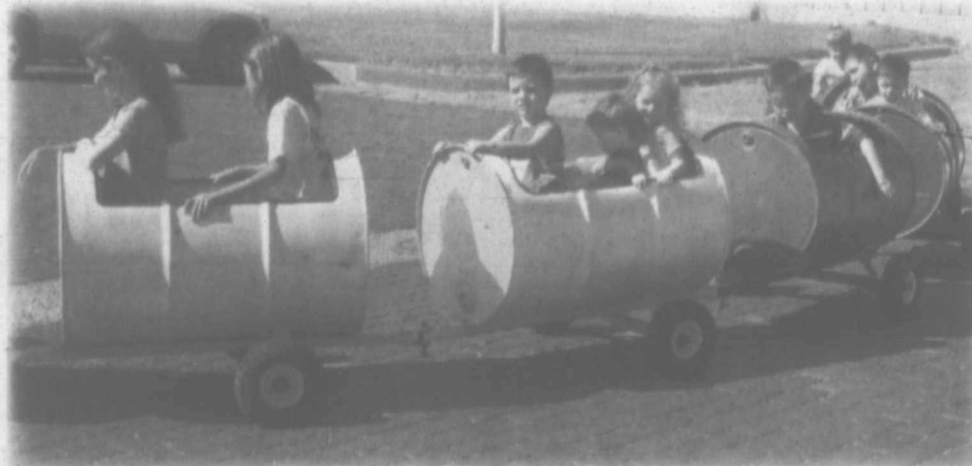
Varsity Girls: 2nd place, Nikki Box of Tahoka-14:12, and 9th place, Rebecca Hensley of O'Donnell-15:00.

Junior High Girls: 9th place, Shay Mendez of Wilson- 15:35, and 10th place, Michaela Borrayo of Wilson-15:39.

Junior High boys: 1st place, Kordell Baker of Tahoka-12:45; 3rd place, Freddy Rodriguez of O'Donnell; 7th place, Savas Barrioz of O'Donnell-14:25; 8th place, Albert Borrayo of Wilson, 9th place, Dillon Gonzales of Wilson-15:00.

Varsity Boys: No locals placed in top 10.

All Aboard!



It's time to hop on the Harvest Festival train and come out and enjoy the festivities on the square!

The Lynn County Harvest Festival is this Saturday (Sept. 26th) in downtown Tahoka and we welcome everyone who comes to take part in all the fun. Come at 10:00 a.m. and stay all day ... *see you there!*

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Tahoka High School homecoming are, from top, to, sophomore Harlow. The queen will be crowned Friday night. (THS PHOTO)

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Letters To The Editor

Open Letter from Tahoka Mayor to Congressman Neugebauer
 September 10, 2009
 U.S. Congressman Randy Neugebauer
 19th Congressional District, Texas
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Dear Randy,
 Thank you again for your time and efforts in visiting with Lynn County citizen's groups and the Tahoka Rotary Club, last month. As we discussed, the rumored closure/down sizing of the FSA lending office in Tahoka is of great concern. I would like to point out the following facts. Lynn County has 1642 active farmers, producing agriculture products on 1277 farms. Furthermore on those farms, we typically plant 290,000 to 301,000 acres of cotton, alone. Total land acreage



Ride for Freedom ... Matthew McDaniel and his family are traveling cross-country via tour bus and his horse, to raise awareness for the mistreatment of the Akha people in south-east Asia. Stopping in Tahoka early this week, the McDaniel's are about halfway through their year-long journey from Salem, Ore., to the United Nations headquarters in New York City.

in agriculture is 530, 475. Lynn County cotton ranks in the top 3 in the country for a county in upland cotton planted acres. We have also been number one in production for non-irrigated upland cotton in two record crop years.

Compare those figures to Lubbock County. Lubbock County farm has 1205 farmers, producing agriculture products on 1142 farms (515,192 total acres in production). Lynn County and Tahoka are clearly the geographic center of that production area. Since the Tahoka office is not being closed entirely, but only the relocation of the lending division of FSA, it makes more sense for Lubbock county farmers to go south to Tahoka. Cultivated acres in Lubbock County are on the decline, and will continue to do so because of the expansion of homes and businesses in Lubbock County.

Lynn County population is declining fast enough. We need to keep every job we can. Far too many of our local dollars are spent in Lubbock already, because of the diversity of business in a larger city. Let our neighbors to the north come to Tahoka, and enjoy the slower paced taste of country living.

As mayor of Tahoka, and a concerned Lynn County citizen, I urge you to hear our plea for keeping our FSA office in Tahoka, intact.

Very truly yours,
John B. Baker
 Mayor, City of Tahoka

(Note: Mayor Baker urges citizens to contact Congressman Neugebauer toll-free at 888-763-1611, U.S. Senator John Cornyn at 202-224-2934, and U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hucheson at 202-224-5922.)

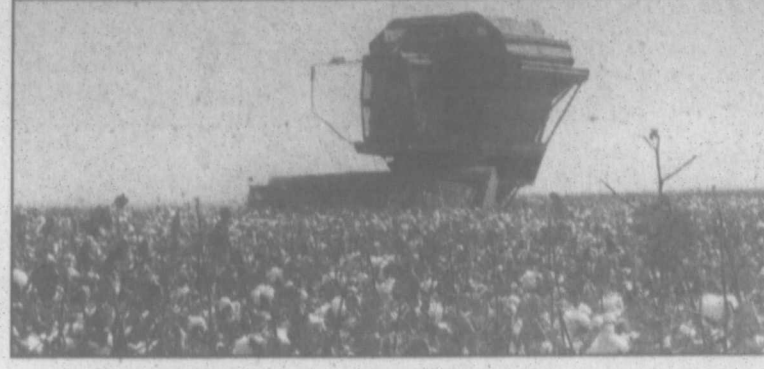
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I know most of you are not ready to hear that it is 93 days until Christmas. How many of you have started your shopping? We have not started our shopping either, because we have been busy checking lights and admiring all the Christmas decorations and lights that have been donated for Santa's Land. If you have not heard, there will be a drive thru Santa's Land this year here in Tahoka located at South 11th and Ave O, thanks to all the generous people in the area. We are still accepting donations and if you have told us to come by and pick up a donation please give us a call (if we have not come by it is not because we do not want it, we just have problems remembering).

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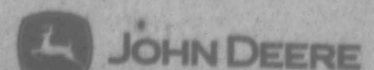
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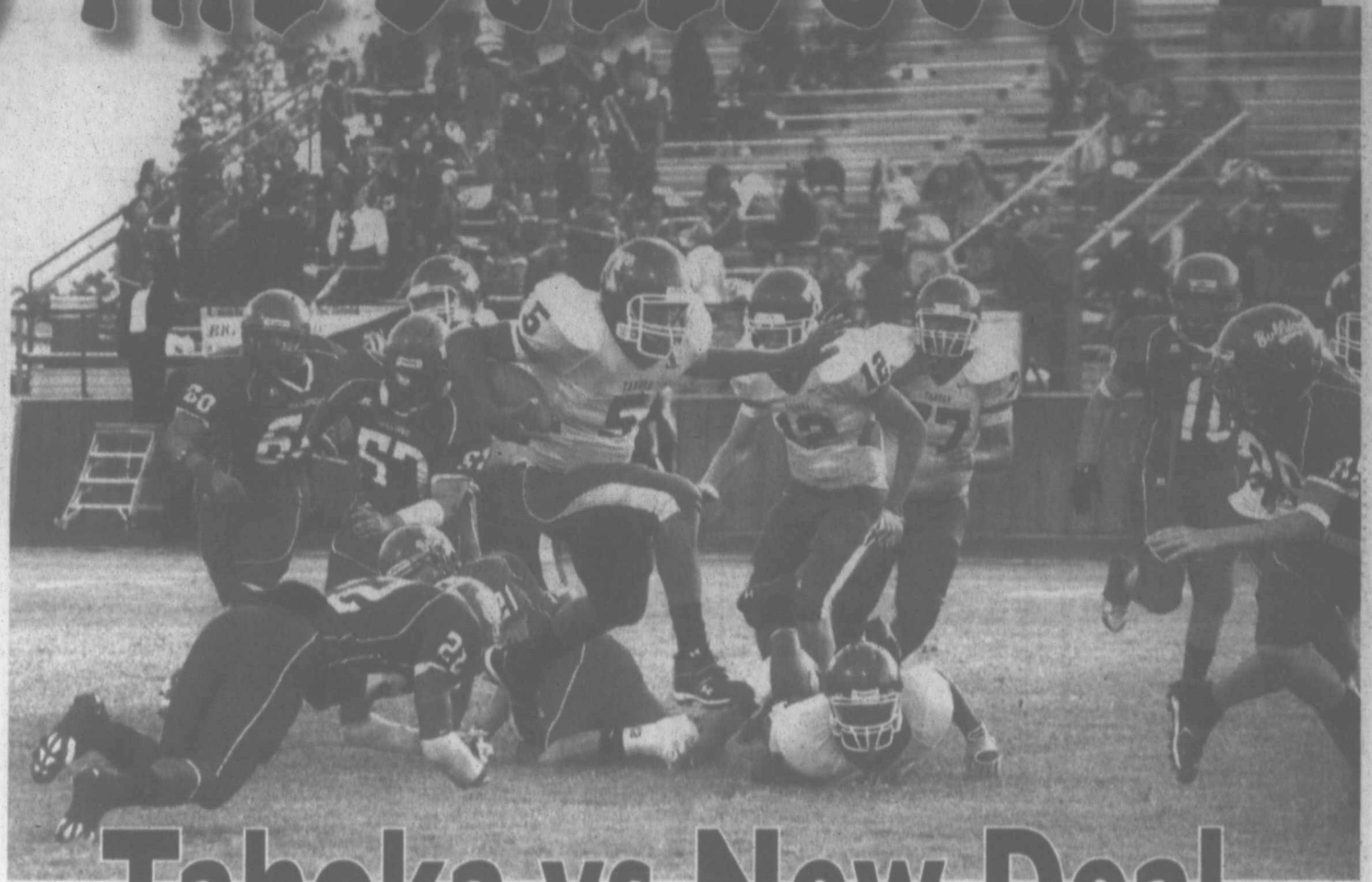


*It's Homecoming ...
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Flying Bulldog ...

Tahoka QB Neiko Garcia (5) appears to be moving with both feet off the ground in this run against Coahoma. Other Tahoka players above include Andy Hinds (12) and Troy Alvarado (77).

(LCN PHOTO by Abraham Vega)



Tahoka vs New Deal

Friday, September 25th • HERE at 7:30 p.m.

Get To Know Your BULLDOGS:

#54 - BEN FREITAG

Favorite food: shrimp • Favorite movie: *Aladdin* • Favorite pastime: sleeping • Favorite video game: Super Smash Bros. Brawl • Favorite place you've traveled: Disney World • Hidden talent: writing • Nickname: Ben the Jammin' • Favorite line from a movie: "I don't want to kill you ... what would I do without you?" from *The Dark Knight* • What would you do with a million dollars? buy an army of monkeys and begin my plans for global domination • Favorite college team & player: Texas Tech / Matt Williams • Favorite NFL team & player: Cowboys / Jason Witten • Who would you like to have dinner with? Emma Watson

#64 - KYLE RENO

Favorite food: Mexican food • Favorite movie: *The Dark Knight* • Favorite pastime: shooting • Favorite video game: Call of Duty 4 • Favorite place you've traveled: Canada • Nickname: Scabs • Favorite line from a movie: "Why so serious?" from *The Dark Knight* • What would you do with a million dollars? I have no idea • Favorite college team & player: Texas Tech / Graham Harrel • Favorite NFL team & player: Dallas / T.O. • Who would you like to have dinner with? Megan Fox

#68 - A.J. CURTIS

Favorite food: anything • Favorite movie: *Pride* • Favorite pastime: chillin' • Favorite video game: Madden • Favorite place you've traveled: Shiner, Tx. • What would you do with a million dollars? buy a house and clothes • Favorite college football team & player: Texas Tech / Crabtree • Favorite NFL team & player: Cowboys / Marion Barber • Who would you like to have dinner with? Megan Fox

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