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Sunday, Aug. 14
Tahoka Housing Authority Center
Chicken and dressing
& all the trimmings



Tahoka Bulldog SCRIMMAGE Friday, Aug. 12 6 p.m. at Farwell

#### Weather

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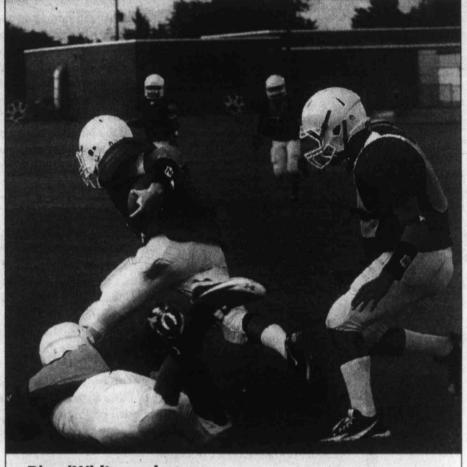
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Blue/White scrimmage ... The Tahoka Bulldogs faced off against each other in a Blue/White scrimmage Friday evening, as the team prepares for the 2011 season. Trai Smith is tackling ball carrier Tristan Hilger in this photo. Tino Deleon is at right. In the background are Kordell Baker and Ian Zamarron. The Dogs travel to Farwell this Friday for a scrimmage at 6 p.m., and host Stanton here on Aug. 18 at 6 p.m. for another scrimmage. The season opener is a home game on Aug. 26, with Crosbyton. (LCN PHOTO by Abraham Vega)

# Early voting starts Monday for school tax elections

Early voting begins Monday, Aug. 15 and continues through Aug. 23 for voters in Tahoka ISD and O'Donnell ISD to mark ballots in both school districts' tax rollback elections. Both Tahoka and O'Donnell ISD are asking voters to approve \$1.17 tax rates to fund school budgets.

Early voting will be conducted at the Lynn County Courthouse basement courtroom for the Tahoka ISD election, and at the O'Donnell ISD Superintendent's Office for the OISD election, during regular business hours.

"We would like to remind those who need assistance in the Tahoka ISD election that we offer curbside voting, and we will bring the ballot to your vehicle if you will park at the courthouse and call us at 561-4750 to ask for assistance," said Lynn County Clerk Susan Tipton. Additionally, ballots by mail are also available if requested by 5 p.m. Aug. 22 at the Lynn County Clerk's Office.

Tahoka ISD's current tax rate is at \$1.04, and the ballot will ask voters to approve a 13-cent rate increase. Tahoka ISD has no bonded indebtedness tax rate.

O'Donnell ISD's current tax rate is at \$1.17, of which \$1.04 is Maintenance & Operating, and 13-cents is an Interest & Sinking tax rate for bonded indebtedness. The school district is paying off the bonded indebtedness this year, and will no longer have the I&S rate. However, they are asking voters to keep the tax rate at \$1.17, with the 13-cents added to the M&O rate.

The other two school districts in Lynn County, Wilson and New Home ISDs, already have M&O tax rates at \$1.17, approved by voters in previous years. Wilson ISD has a total tax rate of \$1.17 (approved by voters in 2008), and New Home ISD has a total tax rate of \$1.26 which includes \$1.17 M&O rate (approved by voters in 2007) and an additional 9-cent rate in I&S.



Back to School... SPCAA held a "Back to School Extravaganza Event" on Monday, Aug. 1, handing out school supplies to children as they prepare to go back to school. The school supplies were donated by businesses and assisted 150 students with the basic school supplies. Pictured from left are Jodeci and Jacobi Rodriguez, and their grandmother, Anita Liendo. Classes start Aug. 22 at Tahoka ISD.

# City to demolish two dilapidated houses

Tahoka City Council members voted Monday night to demolish two dilapidated houses in the 1700 block of South 8th Street, and considered other routine business at the meeting held at the Life Enrichment Center. The two abandoned houses will be destroyed and the city will file a lien on the property to recover the demolition costs.

Prior to the meeting, a public hearing was held to hear input on the proposed redistricting plan for city council precincts, but no citizens attended the hearing. City Administrator Jerry Webster said the council voted to submit the redistricting plan to the Justice Department for approval.

Gate rates at the city landfill were discussed, and council officials voted to increase Type I (household garbage) rates from \$28 to \$32 per ton, and Type IV (construction debris) from \$18 to \$21 per ton. City residents are allowed to bring up to 1,000 pounds per month to the landfill for free.

The City of Tahoka, along with other coalition members, approved a resolution denying Atmos Energy Company's fourth annual rate review mechanism filing. Consideration of a possible lease agreement between the city and Tahoka ISD was tabled until a later meeting, regarding a formal written lease of the city's softball/baseball fields for school use. Currently the city allows the school to use the property with a verbal agreement. City attorney Cal Huffaker is drawing up a lease agreement for the council to consider.

Tahoka Volunteer Fire Dept. submitted a request to the council for the purchase of a used vehicle to replace the old Ford ambulance that was used to carry equipment and firefighters. Council members indicated they would consider the purchase, instructing the VFD to submit details for a specific vehicle for council approval.

Monthly bills were approved, and budget workshops were scheduled.

### Report of theft near Wilson filed

Officers at the Lynn County Sheriff's Dept: took a report of a theft near Wilson Wednesday, Aug. 3.

Oscar Follis of Wilson reported several old air conditioners and heating units stolen from where they had been stored outside a barn south of Wilson on FM 400. No value was estimated on the stolen items.

Tahoka police took a report from a man who said he was assaulted by another man when he went to the residence of a woman in Tahoka. He signed a complaint against his alleged attacker.

Only one person was jailed in Lynn County during the last week, facing three charges related to possession of marijuana and one count of driving while license was invalid, with previous conviction.

Total number of persons in jail here was 39, including 14 held for Gaines Co. and six held for Hockley Co.

## THS/TMS class schedules to be mailed

Tahoka Middle School and High School students will soon receive their class schedules in the mail. Registration packets can be picked up during Open House on Wednesday, August 17 from 7:00-8:00 p.m. Student laptops will be distributed once the registration packet is turned back in.

High school students needing schedule changes can visit with Counselor Shelly Stone on either Monday, Aug.15 from 1-4 p.m. or Tuesday, Aug. 16 from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. or 1-4 p.m.

High school students who want to park a vehicle at school will need to see Principal Michael Norman for a school issued parking permit. Students will need to bring their driver's license, proof of insurance, and a \$15 fee for the permit.

Necessary schedule changes for Tahoka Middle School students will be considered during the first week of school.

## woodwork

by dalton wood



PEOPLE who are supposed to know what's good for us say that breakfast is the most important meal of the day, nutritionally, but the Microsoft News page on my computer last week said that the average American spends just 13 minutes preparing breakfast, and said that many people don't eat breakfast at all.

The article was primarily about how sales of eight breakfast cereals have declined in the last year (some as much as 8 per cent) because fewer people are eating cereal, or more people have abandoned the once-popular brands in favor of less expensive brands which taste about the same.

I looked at the list of eight losers, and Special K, Rice Krispies and some others I recognized are on the list. But I immediately wondered about Wheaties and Post Toasties, which I guess reveals something about my age.

Way back yonder when I was growing up instead of out, Wheaties, Post Toasties and Quaker Oats were about the only breakfast cereals anybody knew about. Wheaties, endorsed by a lot of athletes as the "breakfast of champions," were so popular that for years if someone showed any signs of weakness, like not being able to lift something, someone invariably would ask them if they ate their Wheaties that morning.

I'm not positive that Wheaties and Post Toasties are even sold these days, but they probably are.

Anyway, whether it's breakfast cereal or something else, we are supposed to eat breakfast (and maybe skip the evening meal, which almost nobody does). I eat breakfast only a couple of times a week, unless coffee and a muffin counts. My favorite breakfast would be eggs and bacon or ham and biscuits with lots of butter and jelly.

Our ancestors used to eat all those good things every day and did very well on them, but that was before doctors and other spoilsports invented cholesterol, diabetes and heart attacks and took all the fun out of eating.

#### PAGE 2 • LYNN COUNTY NEWS • THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 2011 O'Donnell FBC group participates in Gov. Perry's prayer rally

by Patsy Sanders

Over 30,000 gathered at Reliant Stadium in Houston on Saturday, Aug. 6th in answer to an invitation by the governor of Texas, Rick Perry to come together to pray for the redemption and repentance for our nation. Among that number that gathered was a band of believers from the local area, O'Donnell, Wolfforth, and Lubbock who traveled the distance by a bus provided by First Baptist Church O'Donnell. The event "The Response" was appropriately named, as Texans and others from surrounding states responded in great numbers to the invite. The crowd far exceeded the numbers (8000) predicted by the media was deemed a huge success by those hosting and attending the event.

Gov. Perry, the state's longestserving governor, sent a strong message to the entire nation as the meeting streamed into over 1400 churches by satellite. It was broadcast on cable, on Christian channels and the Internet nationwide. The 7-hour event stayed focused on the purpose of the rally - Unity in fasting, repentance, prayer, and praise - the entire day. The people stood at random - sang with arms outstretched in praise and prayer, many wept - as Christian groups played music onstage and prayed. Perry called on the people to turn to God in repentance as the crowd was prompted to move into groups of three's and four's to pray throughout the day. Groups

gathered around church pastors throughout the stadium and had a season of special prayer for them as shepherds of God's people.

Gov. Perry himself huddled onstage in a prayer circle with several ministers who helped lead the event. The Rally was initiated by the governor and was financed by the American Family Association, a Tupelo, Miss. based group. The governor preempted his

prayer with a statement to the attentive crowd, "Our Creator is wise enough not to be affiliated with any political party, and his agenda is salvation." "Father, our heart breaks for America," Perry said in 12 minutes of remarks, which included prayer and Bible passages. "We see discord at home. We see fear in the marketplace. We see anger in the halls of government, and as a nation we have forgotten who made us, who protects us, who blesses us." Christians were challenged to turn to God, not government, for answers, and he asked the audience to join him as he prayed for our President and for protection over his family, for our American troops at home and abroad and for the families of those special forces killed in the weekend attack on our U.S. helicopter in Afghanistan.

The prayer was closed with "We pray for all our nation's leaders, Lord, for parents, for pastors, for the generals, for governors, that you would inspire them in these difficult times."

brothers, Jake Balderrama Jr. of Midland, George Balderrama of O'Donnell; and six grandchil-



#### Robert Balderrama

Funeral mass services for Robert Balderrama, 50, of O'Donnell were held on Saturday, Aug. 6, 2011, at 10 a.m. at Saint Joseph Catholic Church, in Devine. He died on Sunday, July 31, 2011. Interment was in Longview Cemetery in Big

He was born to Jake and Angelita Balderrama in O'Donnell. He married Lydia Trevino on Aug. 30, 1980, at Saint Pius X Church in O'Donnell. He worked for the 3B Brush Company for 21 years.

Survivors include his wife, Lydia; his mother Angelita, of Big Foot; daughter, Angelinda (Daniel) Mendez; son Robert Jr. and Sabrina Balderrama; six sisters, Angie Casarez, Josephine Rodriguez, Adelina Acosta and Irene Martinez, all of Lubbock, Ernestine Chavez and Rosie Leal, both of Big Foot; two

For "BUPPHA"



#### **Charlie Boles**

Services for Charles Ellis "Charlie" Boles, 86, of Rio Rancho, NM, formerly of Tahoka, were held on Saturday, August 6, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. at Combest Family Memorial Chapel in Lubbock. Interment was at Resthaven Memorial Park. He died on August 2, 2011 in Rio Rancho, NM.

He was born January 27, 1925 in Spur, to Ellis and Lillie Boles. He was employed by the Santa Fe Railroad for over 44 years, serving as Depot Agent in O'Donnell, Tahoka and Brownfield, retiring in Lubbock in 1988. He served as a telegraph operator in the 770th Railway Operating Battalion in the Philippines during World War II. Upon his return from the service, he met and married Evelyn Frances Sprawls. They were married for over 53 years and were longtime residents of Tahoka. He was a lifetime member of the Veteran's of Foreign Wars.

He was preceded in death by his wife Evelyn, and one sister, Beth Whitcomb of Austin.

Survivors include three sons, John and wife Margaret of Palo Alto, CA., Jerry and wife Donica of Front Royal, VA., Joe and wife Barbara of Lubbock; a r Judy Terrell and husband Jim of Rio Rancho, NM.; two sisters, Pat Nichols and Sonya Jones of Lubbock; eight grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to the VFW Unmet Needs Program, Post 2466, P.O. Box 3126, Lubbock, TX 79452. Online condolences may be sent to www.combestfamilyfuneralhomes.com

#### Art/Photo Contest:

at the Lynn County Harvest Festival on Sept. 24

> **Contact James Craig** at 806-998-4515

Tahoka, Texas 79373

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#### Albert A. Castro

Services for Albert A. Castro, 54, were held at 1:00 pm Saturday, August 6, 2011 at Templo Iglesia Bautista with David Caballero officiating. Burial was at Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park under the direction of Calvillo Funeral Home. He died on Tuesday, August 2, 2011 at University Medical Center.

He was born on August 18, 1956 to Juan Francisco and Elisa Castro in Post. He married Becky A. Castro on February 26, 1974 in Holly, Colorado. He pastored Iglesia Bautista in Slaton, for three years, and he was a music evangelist and he supplied the pulpit at many churches that needed his assistance.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, Joe Castro, Andy Castro;

Survivors include his wife, Becky A. Castro; three sons, Albert Castro Jr. of Idalou, Alfred Castro, Lee Castro both of Lubbock; three daughters, Stephanie Wade of Lubbock, Christina Wellings of Great Falls, Montana, Priscilla Wiggins of Lubbock; three brothers, John Castro of Lubbock, Eloy Castro of Midland, David Castro of Odessa; two sisters, Virginia Castro of Tahoka, Mary Castro of Lubbock; and 13 grandchil-

#### **Berty Robert** McDonald

Berty Robert McDonald finally made it home on Tuesday, August 2, 2011 at the age of 88. His earthly residence was Golden Plains Care Center in Post, Texas. His wife and children were at his side as he peacefully left this earth to be with Jesus.

Bert, as he was better known, was born in Hobart, Oklahoma on September 15, 1922 to Allen and Joyce McDonald. He attended school in Lorenzo. He served in the U.S. Army from December 14, 1942 until he was honorably discharged on December 2, 1945. He received the Purple Heart and the American Theater Campaign Medal among other medals and decorations. He married Mary Katheryn Murray on June 21, 1947 at the Grassland Church of the Nazarene. He was a farmer until his retirement. Pa Bert as his grandkids and great grandkids called him loved to raise a garden every year and shared the fruits of his labor with his family, community and church family. He was a longtime member of the Grassland Church of the Nazarene where he served in

many different capacities. He was preceded in death by his parents; a son Charles; and brothers Tynce and Marvin and sister Nancy.

Bert is survived by his wife Mary Kay; two sons, Wayne and wife Carol, Dennis and wife Nancy; one daughter, Janice Mason and husband Steve all of Post; four brothers, Ted of

Yakima, Wa., Royce of Borger, Don Riley of Post, and Bill Riley of Pampa; two sisters, Pauline Ham of Michigan and Joy Spears of Alanreed; seven grandchildren and nine greatgrandchildren.

Services were held Thursday, August 4, 2011 at 10 AM at the Grassland Church of the Nazarene. Burial with military honors was in the Grassland Cemetery under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home.

Special thanks to the staff at Golden Plains Care Center in Post and to VistaCare Hospice.

### Sunday dinner to raise funds for Sr. Citizens

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Lynn County Pioneers Senior Citizens Center invites the community to a fundraiser dinner this Sunday, Aug. 14 from 12:00-3:00 p.m. at the Tahoka Housing Authority Center at 1400 Ave. K. Chicken and dressing and all the trimmings will be offered for \$8 per plate. Dine-in and carryout plates will be available. Begin placing carryout orders on Aug. 11, at 561-

Dinner includes baked chicken and dressing, giblet gravy, sweet potatoes, green beans, cranberry sauce, homemade roll, and a drink. Homemade ice cream will be served for dessert for dine-ins at the center. Watermelon will be served as dessert on carryout plates.

All proceeds will benefit the Senior Citizen Center Home Delivery and Congregate meal programs. Home delivery for Sunday's dinner will be limited. Dalton Wood will be providing entertainment from 1:00-2:30.

Members of the "Make Education a Priority" PAC will also have information available about the Aug. 27 Tahoka ISD Tax Ratification Election. No formal presentation will be made, but PAC members will have informational pamphlets available at a table there.

In memory of

R.T. Stark Dec. 16 1952 - Aug. 10 2010

Dad-God took you home a year ago. He took



you way too soon. We still had so much left to do together. We know you're in a much better place now, among the angels. We miss you every single day. You will never be forgotten. While your time here on earth with us has ended way too soon, we cherish all the memories that we were able to make together. Even though at times we feel like we are all alone, we know in our hearts that you're right beside us with every step we take. We will miss the amazing loving husband, brother, father, grandfather, and friend that you were. Always loving and missing you until we meet again.

The directors of the

#### **Douglas G. Barham Foundation** would like to say a big "Thank You!" to everyone

who participated in our recent fundraiser.

A special thanks to those who: =

 Organized the event and volunteered their time Donated auction items and prizes
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Prepared and ate good food
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 Played Golf

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Buddha winner ... Britt Brooks won the Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament at the Doug Barham Foundation fundraiser last weekend, and his name will be placed on the Buddha championship trophy. All proceeds from the tournament went to the foundation. The Buddha trophy is homage to Doug Barham, who was nicknamed Buddha.



**Portion Control** 

As Americans we live in the land of plenty. Food is available at every conceivable location from gas stations to movie theaters, and portions are equally as plentiful. Take for example, the jumbo-sized movie theater candy bars that suggest sitting down for a few hours warrants hundreds of calories. And we wonder why 60% of adults are overweight and 1 out of every 3rd child is obese!

The bottom line: we eat too much food and the wrong kind of foods. One of the easiest ways to cut back on calories and lose weight is by monitoring portion sizes.

The new Dietary Guidelines mean when recommending 7-10 servings/portions of fruits and vegetables, 6-8 servings of grains, and 2-3 servings of low-fat dairy. Here is a list of what a "portion" size should be:

- 2 TSP peanut butter
- ¼ cup dried fruit 1/2 cup cooked rice, pasta or ce-
- 1 ½ ounces natural or 2 oz. pro-
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- 1 cup milk or yogurt • ½ cup cooked or raw cut up fruits
- or vegetables • 1 cup leafy vegetables
- 1 small muffin · I ounce lean meat or fish
- ½ ounce nuts or seeds · I cup ready to eat cereal
- · 1 cup grapes, cherries, or berries One very important hint I can give you is read the label of everything you are eating. Most packaging contains 2 or more servings

or portions. Do not eat the whole package, or try and buy the one

portion packages only.

Another strategy to help you meet the guidelines and eat more healthfully is to use the plate method. Fill up half your plate with fruits and vegetables and split the remaining half between whole grains, low-fat dairy, and lean meats and fish. This is very hard but with practice will become another part of your daily routine. Good luck and healthy eating.

#### 2011 Kennel yearbooks have arrived

The Tahoka High School 2010-2011 Kennel yearbooks have arrived and will be distributed Friday, Aug. 12 from 1-4 p.m. and Tuesday, Aug. 16 in the high school Journalism room. Anyone who ordered a yearbook may pick theirs up. Yearbooks will also be available during high school and middle school open house on Wed. Aug. 17 from 7-8 p.m. and once school begins Aug. 22.

Extra yearbooks may be available for purchase for \$30 on a first come basis.

Any students who ordered a yearbook and have moved from the district can contact Rachel Lehman at the high school about having their yearbooks picked up or mailed.

## **Voting precincts** consolidated for Nov. 8 election

Lynn County voting precincts will be consolidated into four voting precincts, with one polling location each in Tahoka, O'Donnell, New Home and Wilson, for the amendment election on Nov. 8. Commissioners approved the consolidation at their meeting Tuesday morning at the Lynn County Courthouse.

In other business, commissioners approved amending the county clerk's budget in the amount of \$4,500 for temporary help due to the increased workload handling oil company research in the office. The funds will be taken from fees collected in the office for those services.

Sheriff Jerry D. Franklin reported on his department's activities, and commissioners discussed the budget. Several county officials were present for budget talks.

County Judge H.G. Franklin presided, with commissioners Keith Wied, Danny Martin, Don Blair and Mike Braddock present.

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**AUGUST 15-19** 

Monday: Spaghetti & meatballs, mixed green salad, garlic bread, cinnamon applesauce

Tuesday: Liver & onions/Hamburger steak, brown gravy, new potatoes in sauce, steamed veg. medley, bread, mixed fruit sal-

Wednesday: Green chili chicken enchiladas, Mexican rice, red beans, lettuce/tomato garnish,

Thursday: Baked ham w/pineapple, scalloped potatoes, sliced tomatoes, cornbread, lemon

Friday: Grilled or crispy chicken strip salad, crackers, strawberries & bananas

Reminders & Activities: . . AUGUST 14 - Sunday from 12-3 p.m. at the Tahoka Housing Authority Center -\$8 per plate! Chicken & dressing plate dinner. Includes Baked chicken, Rosie's dressing, giblet gravy, sweet potatoes, green beans, cranberry sauce, homemade roll, and drink, dessert for carry-outs will be watermelon, and homemade ice cream if you eat at the Center. Proceeds to benefit the Senior Citizen Center Home Delivery and Congregate meal programs. Home delivery



August 6, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ynes Aleman, replacing windows and installing window air conditioner units. Pictured here from left are Mike Huffaker, Danny Hart, Ty Askew and Alton James. (LCN PHOTO by Pam Elrod)

will be limited! Please begin placing your orders on Thursday, Aug. 11. Dalton Wood will be providing entertainment from 1:00-2:30. A movie classic will be on the big screen TV. Ticket sales for a chance to win the 2011 Harvest Festival Quilt will kick-off! Come attend and support the continued good works of the Senior Citizens Center.

· Special Request: The Senior Citizen Center's homebound program is desperately in need of a delivery vehicle. If you have a jeep, Explorer or similar vehicle that is in good working condition that you would consider donating, or selling very cheap, please contact Bianca at

LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE:



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Sunday, Aug. 14 • 12:00-3:00 pm at the Tahoka Housing Authority 1400 AVE. K

Proceeds benefit the Lynn County Pioneers (Senior Citizens)

Chicken & Dressing with giblet gravy, sweet potatoes, green beans, cranberry sauce, roll & drink

PLACE ORDERS for CARRY OUTS at 561-5264.

## NOTICE OF EFFECTIVE TAX RATE

This notice concerns 2011 property tax rates for CITY OF O'DONNELL. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

#### Last year's operating taxes..... 133.005.56 Last year's debt taxes .....\$ Last year's total taxes \$ 147.783.96 Last year's tax base \$ 17,016,000.00 THIS YEAR'S EFFECTIVE TAX RATE: \$.....\$ Last year's adjusted taxes.... 147,479.20 (after subtracting taxes on lost property) 16,706,170.00 This year's adjusted tax base ....... (after subtracting value of new property) = This year's effective tax rate ..... .....\$ 0.882782/\$100 (Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.) THIS YEAR'S ROLLBACK TAX RATE: 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)....\$ This year's adjusted tax base ......\$ 16,706,170 This year's debt rate......\$ 0.081135/\$100 

#### STATEMENT OF INCREASE / DECREASE

If CITY OF O'DONNELL adopts a 2011 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.882782 per \$100 of value, taxes would INCREASE compared to 2010 taxes by \$100.73.

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 ..... BALANCE

**GENERAL** 75,769.84

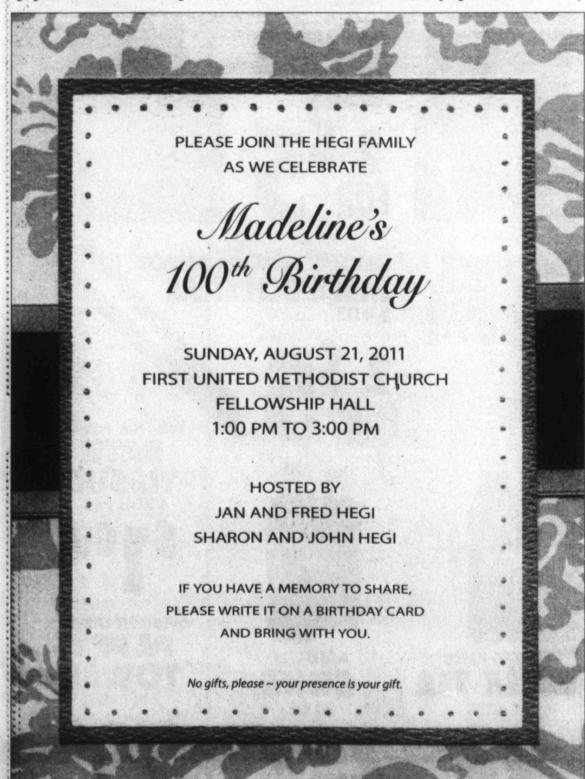
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#### SCHEDULE B - 2011 Debt Service

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 1977 Water tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable). **DESCRIPTION OF DEBT...** System PRINCIPAL OR CONTRACT PAYMENT TO BE PAID FROM PROPERTY TAXES .... 11.000.00 INTEREST TO BE PAID FROM PROPERTY TAXES..... 1,100.00 OTHER AMOUNTS TO BE PAID..... TOTAL PAYMENT ..... 12,100.00 12,100.00 Total required for 2011 debt service...... Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A..... Amount (if any) paid from other resources.....\$ 0 Excess collections last year..... 411.00 Total to be paid from taxes in 2011 .....\$ 11,689.00 Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 86% 1,902.86 of its taxes in 2011..... Total Debt Levy .....\$ 13,591.86

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at LYNN COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT • 1615 MAIN ST., TAHOKA, Tx 79373

Name of person preparing this notice: Chief Appraiser: MARQUITA SCOTT, RPA/RTA. Date prepared: JULY 25, 2011



#### **LETTERS** to the **EDITOR**

**Vote Yes!** Dear Editor,

I encourage all eligible voters in the Tahoka Independent School District to vote FOR the

upcoming tax ratification election. Voting will take place at the Life Enrichment Center on Saturday, August 27. Absentee voting will take place at the Courthouse from August 15-23.

We must pass this rollback election in order to continue operating our schools. Even with the passing of this election, our schools will be operating "in the red." We must trust that our school officials will continue to find ways to reduce expenditures in order to provide the excellent education our students, parents, and community members expect.

I commend the school board for prior efforts to reduce costs: (1) consolidating the PEIMS coordinator position with the curriculum director position; (2) Eliminating the certified librarian position; (3) possibly using the assistant band director to provide an elementary music program, (4) not increasing administrative salaries for the upcoming year; and other efforts unknown to me.

I encourage the school board and the school administrators to continue to provide the excel-

lent educational opportunities our students have enjoyed in the past while working through difficult financial decisions.

Again, please vote FOR the proposed rollback election for the sake of TISD.

Sincerely, Glo Hays

Thanks to businesses for school supplies

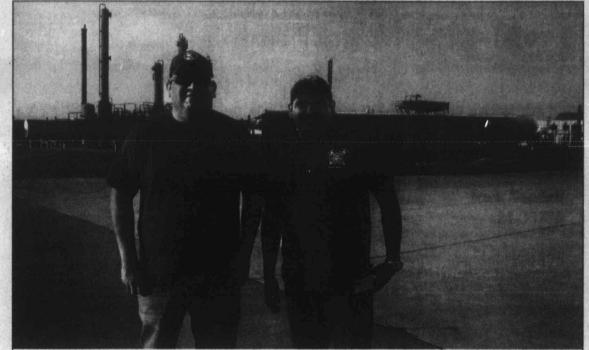
SPCAA (South Plains Community Action Association) held their annual "Back to School Extravaganza" event on Aug. 1. With the help of generous donations by various businesses, SPCAA was able to supply 150

children with school supplies.

The following businesses donated supplies: American State Bank, Avalos Snow-Cones, Cardi's Café, Cowlicks, Custom Food Group, First National Bank, George's Restaurant, James Craig, John Witt Butane, JollyTime, Lynn County News, Lynnco Automotive, Mary Lou DeLeon, Mesa Pivot Irrigation, Fenton Insurance, South Plains Lodge, Texas HHSC, United Supermarkets, Thriftway, and The Zoo Hair Studio.

SPCAA would like to thank all of the businesses that made the Back to School Extravaganza possible.

> Juanita Salinas Center Worker



Firefighter training ... Wilson VFD firefighter Zachary Zepeda (left) and Mathis VFD firefighter Leo Moya take a break in front of a few of the many training props at Brayton Fire Training Field. Zepeda was one of 2,500 firefighters who attended the firefighter training in College Station.

## Wilson VFD member attends fire training school

by David Maldonado

During the week of July 25-29 the Wilson Volunteer Fire Department sent one firefighter to the TEEX Annual Municipal Fire Training School. This school is one of three offered in each year in July.

Wilson VFD rookie firefighter Zachary Zepeda, who has been with the department for a year, attended and completed the Firefighter Phase 1 course, which is the initial firefighter training. His attendance at the school was made possible through a generous performance-based grant from Farm Bureau. The grant covers tuition, housing and meals, pending the results of test scores from the school.

The TEEX School is held at the Brayton Fire Training Field in College Station, one of the largest live fire training facilities in the world. This year nearly 2,500 firefighters at-

> **Obituary Notices** -- POLICY --

There is no charge for obituary notices, subject to editing. If you wish the obituary to read exactly as sent, there is a \$35 fee. Photos may be included at no additional charge. The Lynn County News will publish obituaries with any connection to Lynn County. Information may be sent to The Lynn County News, P.O. Box 1170, Tahoka, TX 79373, faxed to 806/561-6308, or e-mail: Lynn-CoNews@poka.com.

tended from all across the state, the majority being volunteer firefighters. The school offers training in numerous fire-rescue techniques ranging from initial firefighter training to aircraft rescue, rope rescue and agriculture rescue. The training school is in its 82nd year.

Lynn County 4-H hosts golf tourney

Lynn County 4-H will host a 4-person open scramble golf tournament Saturday, Aug. 13 at T-Bar Country Club. Cost for the event is \$120/team, which includes a meal. Tee-off is at 1

Cash prizes will be paid back to teams along with contests for the longest drive and closest to pin. Over \$1,200 was paid out last year to golfers.

Door prizes and raffle tick ets for a 3-day, 2-night stay at the Inn of the Mountain Gods Resort in Ruidoso will be available.

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All proceeds will benefit Lynn County 4-H members.

For more information or to sign up, contact T-Bar Country Club at 806/998-5305.

The Lynn County Harvest Festival is Saturday, Sept. 24. RESERVE

**BOOTH SPACE NOW:** call Rebecca Ingle 806-561-4440

# Back to School Immunizations & Physicals

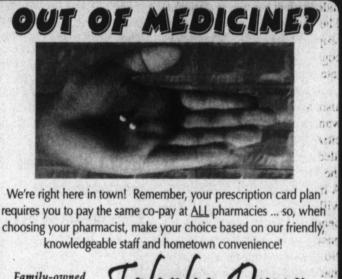
are available at the

FAMILY WELLNESS CLINIC located at 1705 Lockwood St. in Tahoka · 998-4604

Call 998-4604 and schedule your appointments soon ... because slots are filling up!

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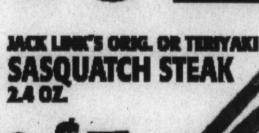
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Only two people signed the Declaration of Independence on July 4th - John Hancock and Charles Thomson. Most of the rest signed on August 2nd, but the last signature wasn't added until 5 years



Election information ... Tahoka ISD Supt. Steve Burleson and members of the "Make Education a Priority" PAC hosted the senior citizens lunch Tuesday this week, at the Housing Authority Center, with the cost of the meal underwritten by PAC member Cal Huffaker. Supt. Burleson told the group of about 40 people how the school finance system works, and then several PAC members spoke to ask support for the election.

"Make Education a Priority"

## Community invited tonight to hear info about TISD tax election

The "Make Education A Priority" Political Action Committee (PAC) invites area citizens to the Tahoka Housing Authority Center for an informational meeting at 7 p.m. tonight (Thursday), to hear information about the upcoming tax ratification election for Tahoka Independent School District. The election presents a 13-cent property tax increase for voter consideration, from the current rate of \$1.04 to \$1.17.

Members of the PAC will also be available for anyone wanting information at a senior citizens center fundraiser scheduled for this Sunday, at noon at the Housing Authority Center. A meal of chicken and dressing will be served, with all proceeds benefitting the Lynn County Pioneers Senior Citizens Center. No formal presentation will be made, but PAC members will have informational pamphlets

available at a table there. The special election will be held Aug. 21 at the Life Enrichment Center at 1717 Main in Tahoka. Early voting will be conducted at the Lynn County Courthouse basement courtroom, Aug. 15-23 (curbside votang is available for anyone needing such assistance, and ballots by mail are also available if requested by 5 p.m. Aug. 22 at the Lynn County Clerk's Office,

phone 561-4750). At tonight's community meeting, Tahoka ISD Superintendent Steve Burleson will present financial information about the school district, and members of the PAC will speak as to why they are in favor of the tax hike. The PAC is comprised of a group of concerned citizens who formed the committee to promote the Aug. 27 Tax Ratification Election for Tahoka ISD. They are asking the community to vote for a 13-cent tax hike in order for the school district to take advantage of additional

state funding. The PAC hosted the senior citizens lunch Tuesday this week, at the Housing Authority Center, with the cost of the meal underwritten by PAC member Cal Huffaker. Supt. Burleson told the group of about 40 people how the school finance system works, and then several PAC members spoke to ask sup-

port for the election. "I am asking for your support," said John Krey, a local business leader. "Our community needs our school, and if you don't believe that, look at some of the other communities who have struggled after their schools started going downhill. I don't have any children in

## **FUN FACTS**

pression "to get fired."

school now, but my children got a good education here. I want to thank you for supporting the school with your taxes all these years, and ask you to continue that support. A good school is important to our community,"

"As a business owner, I have to ask what it is that makes my living - and the answer is, this community. We must have a viable school to have a viable

community. It's the communities with schools that are strong that are doing well, and I believe in our school system," said Cal Huffaker, a PAC member and business leader. "I don't like my taxes going up either, but a good business is what makes it possible for me to pay those taxes, and I believe in supporting our school. I am asking you to please vote - it matters!" he



**RICKY HALL 239-6971** 

#### From Tahoka CITY HALL

Did you know ... U.S. 87 is a major corridor for transporting drugs from the south? Drugs from Mexico going to Texas, Oklahoma, and beyond travel U.S. 87 everyday. One way cities combat this problem is by doing drug interdiction. Police departments will spend time on major drug corridors stopping violators and looking for drugs. An example is our police department. In 2010 our officers made four (4) drug related arrests, nine (9) DWI arrests, and recovered one stolen vehicle, while working drug interdiction on U.S. 87. As you travel U.S. 87 please be aware and if you see anything suspicious call the local law enforcement office and report it.

Water Resources ... While some small cities in Texas are struggling to find an adequate water supply the City of Tahoka has recently acquired additional water supplies through the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority's purchase of water rights from Mesa. We had a fifty year supply of water, and now that has increased to a hundred year supply. However, the Mayor and City Council remind everyone to be good stewards of our water. We should still look for ways to conserve water because it's the right thing to do.

If you have any questions contact Tahoka City Hall at 561-4211, or contact Tahoka Mayor John Baker or any city council member.

> Show your colors! Fly the American Flag to show your support for our nation.



Churches donate school supplies ... The Wilson Elementary school secretary, Nancy Walker (left), has been instrumental in getting contributions from three Wilson churches to buy all necessary school supplies needed for Wilson students in K-5th grades. She is pictured here with the new Wednesday night youth ministers at Wilson First Baptist Church, Rebeca and Justin McKibben, who are going to be introduced to the community. Wednesday night, Aug 17, at 6:30 p.m. with a homemade ice cream social. The event will provide an opportunity to see samples of the supplies that Wilson ISD children are going to find on their desks the first day of school. Billy Parmer (right) is pastor of the church.

#### **FUN FACTS**

from www.gambino.com

If a statue in the park of a person on a horse has both front legs in the air, the person died in battle; if the horse has one front leg; in the air, the person died as a result of wounds received in battle; if the horse has all four legs on the ground, the person died of co natural causes.



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## PARENTS: It's BACK TO SCHOOL TIME ...

Come by and set up a charge account for your children to use at lunch during the school years

Don't forget: Happy Hour \$100 Drinks 2:00-5:00 p.m. DAILY

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## ATTEND CHURCH IN LYNN COUNTY

## New Home United Methodist Church



New Home, TX 79383 (806) 924-7549

PASTOR: RICK WOLFE Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship - 10:45 a.m. Youth Activities

St. Jude Thaddeus

Catholic Church

South 4th & Ave. M · Tahoka, TX 79373

(806) 561-4436

PASTOR: REV. EDUARDO TEO DEACON: FRANCISCO AGUILAR

Mass - 9:30 a.m. Sunday, 7 p.m. Wed. & Thur.

Rosary - 7 p.m. Tues.

CCE Class/Confirmation Instruct. - 7 p.m. Wed.

Tahoka Trinity Church 1925 Lockwood • Box 1168 • Tahoka, TX 79373

Phone (806) 561-5317 PASTOR: PERRY SHUFFIELD Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship - 6 p.m.

Youth - Sundays at 7 p.m. For a ride to Sunday School or Church, call 561-5317

**Draw First United** 

**Methodist Church** 

P.O. Box 496 · O'Donnell, TX 79351

Phone (806) 428-3357

or Fern Barnes (806) 327-5583

PASTOR: REV. MONTY BARNETT

Sunday Morning Worship - 9:15 a.m.

**Sunday School following** 

PASTOR: BILLY PARMER

Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.

## & St. John Lutheran Church

3th & Dickson • Wilson, TX 79381

Sharing Christ's message of forgiveness and salvation with our community and beyond. LEADERS: REV. LESLIE LEWIS TONDA FREITAG, PLM Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship - 11:15 a.m.

SUNDAYS: Praise Worship - 8:30 a.m. Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.

TUESDAYS: Branded Ministries - 6:30 p.m.

1801 Ave. J · Box 500

Tahoka, TX 79373

(806) 561-4503

email:

fumctahoka@poka.com

PASTOR:

VERNON BAKER

Worship - 11:00 a.m.

#### Church of Christ St. address • Box 188 • New Home, TX 79383

(806) 924-7579 MINISTER: VICTOR ELLISON

Bible Class - 9:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship Service - 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening Service - 6:00 p.m. Mid-Week Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.

#### TAHOKA

Church of Christ 2320 Lockwood · Box 1177 · Tahoka, TX 7937

(806) 561-4060 · email: tcoc@poka.com MINISTER: STEVEN BONNER

Sunday School - 10:00 a.m Sunday Worship - 11 a.m.

#### Wilson St. Paul **Lutheran Church**

16th & Houston St. · Box 136 · Wilson, TX 79381 (806) 628-6471 · www.stpaulwilson.com

PASTOR: DAVID W. ROHDE Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. Divine Service - 10:15 a.m.

"Where Christ Serves People"

#### **NEW HOME** BAPTIST CHURCH Corner of Fourth & Smith

"Serving the Lord for 100 Years" SERVICES: Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship ..... Wednesday Bible Study .11:00 a.m. Wed. Youth/Children's Activities ..... 7:00 pm

Pastor: Calvin Gray

Jesus replied,

"What is impossible with men is

possible with God." ... Luke 18:27

**PRAY FOR** 

**OUR NATION** 

## WEDNESDAYS: Youth - 6:30 p.m.

"What is the gospel of God?" I often hear people use the word 'gospel' in casual conversation. Often it is used in contexts such as these: "We are a gospel church," "We preach the gospel," or even, 'I am a gospel believer." When I ask these good, well-meaning people, what that means they usually respond with, "Well, the good news of course!" So, with a sly grin, I then ask, "What is the good news?" it is there that I get as many varied answers as the people I

So what is the gospel of God? The gospel is the story of Jesus Christ - the story of the righteousness of God made evident in the faithfulness of Messiah Jesus. God raised Jesus from the dead by the power of the Spirit and made him king of the universe just like he promised Abraham and David (Romans 1:2-4). We need to understand that when Paul uses the word gospel he means something fundamentally different than what we usually think. We tend to think that the gospel is a system of salvation, a message about how human beings get saved. The gospel was not simply the offer of a new reordering of one's private spiritual life - a clearing up of a morally dysfunctional life for the forgiveness of past sins to receive moral energy for the present!

The gospel is an announcement about Jesus, the Messiah, the Lord - good news about what God has done through the faithfulness of Jesus; good news that Jesus has become the spearhead of God's age to come; news that, within this new age, the principalities and powers, including earthly rulers, the powers of darkness, and sin and death themselves have been defeated!

The gospel is not a message about God's power, rather, it is God's power - the gospel is the event of God's power that brought about salvation - this good news is from God and - Steven Bonner, Tahoka Church of Christ minister



**PASTOR: Rev. James Miller** Sunday Morning Worship – 11:00 a.m.
Discipleship Training – 5 p.m. Sunday
Sunday Evening Worship – 6 p.m.
6:30 p.m. Wednesdays:
Fellowship Meal & Classes for all ages
Bible Study & Prayer Mtg · Youth Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Youth and Adults:

Grassland Nazarene

(806) 327-5656, 327-5655

Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wednesdays - 7 p.m.

## Bible Classes - Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church 1701 Ave. K · Box 1547 · Tahoka, TX 79373 (806) 561-4557 · www.fbctahoka.org

Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service - 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship Service - 6 p.m.

> Activities For All Ages -Call For Complete Schedule

There's A Place For Me at FBC!

#### O'Donnell First Baptist Church

701 Standefer · O'Donnell, TX 793 (806) 428-3236

> PASTOR: SCOTT HENSLEY Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship:

10:45 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting - 7 p.m.

#### **Sweet Street Baptist Church**

1300 Avenue J • Box 751 • Tahoka, TX 79373

PASTOR: LYNN LONG Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. (A Bible Study Class for all ages) Morning Worship - 10:55 a.m.

Ifting Music - Message from God's Word) Evening Worship - 6 p.m. (Praise & Worship - Gospel Message Wednesday Night - 7 p.m. (Prayer & Bible Study, Children & Youth Mi

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

#### South Plains Assn. of SWCDS to meet

The South Plains Association of Soil and water Conservation Districts (SPASWCDS) will meet August 17, at 9:30 a.m. at the PYCO Industries located at 2901 Ave. A in Lubbock.

Featured program speaker is Mark Schwirtz, President and General Manager of Golden Spread Electric Cooperative. Schwirtz will talk about the Cooperative as well as its operation of a wind generation farm.

Golden Spread Electric Cooperative provides wholesale electric service to 16 electric distribution cooperatives who serve 260,000 member-consumers in 24 percent of Texas which includes the Panhandle, South Plains and Edwards Plateau regions as well as in the Oklahoma Panhandle and in Southwestern Kansas.

Representatives from the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board, Association of Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts, and the USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service will update SWCD directors on state and national soil and water conservation programs and issues during the business session.

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Poker faces ... Chad Ford (left) and Bill Chancy have their game faces on in the Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament at T-Bar Country Club last weekend. It was all for fun, as all the proceeds went to the Douglas G. Barham Foundation for scholarships and donations to area nonprofit organiza-

ter conservation districts in the South Plains region of the state are members of the SPASW-CDS. Counties which the SW-CDS serve include Lynn Coun-

#### Classic Car Show:

at the Lynn County Harvest Festival on Sept. 24

**Contact Marvin Pierce** at 806-759-7227

#### Bake sale to benefit local childcare center

A Bake Sale will be held Saturday from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. at Thriftway Grocery in Tahoka, sponsored by "Let The Children Come" Childcare Center at First United Methodist Church. All proceeds will benefit the daycare center.

> These Tahoka Firms Are Sponsoring This

**AgTexas Farm Credit Services** Rodney Keeton and

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Capital Farm Credit (formerly First Ag Credit, FCS)

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**Lynn County** Farm Bureau

#### September 1 is closing date for non-insurable crops istrative county, not to exceed

Lynn County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Rodney Schoppa, urges producers who want to purchase coverage through the Non-insurable Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) to do so before the sales closing date of September 1, 2011.

NAP provides financial assistance to producers of non-insurable crops when low yields, loss of inventory or prevented planting occur due to normal disasters.

"Purchasing a crop insurance policy is an easy way for producers to practice risk management," said Schoppa. "This year alone has proved that natural disasters can directly affect the profitability and recovery of agricultural operations," he

The following crops have a NAP application closing date of Sept. 1, 2011: All small grains (wheat, oats, barley, rye and triticale), beets, broccoli, brussel sprouts, cabbage, canola, cauliflower, garlic, sod grass, greens, herbs, kohlrabi, leeks, lettuce, onions, radishes, strawberries, turnips and value loss crops (Christmas trees, crustaceans, fin fish, and flowers).

In order to meet eligibility requirements for NAP, crops must be non-insurable, commercially-produced agricultural commodity crops for which the catastrophic risk protection level of crop insurance is not available. If the Risk Management Agency (RMA) offers coverage for a crop in the county, then NAP coverage is not available for that crop.

In the event of a natural disaster, NAP covers the amount of loss greater than 50 percent of the expected production based on the approved yield and reported acreage.

## 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, August 19 from 3-6 p.m. Orders using Lone Star cards will also be taken at this time. This will be 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. 27, from 10-11 a.m. at the Tahoka Trinity Church, 1925 Lockwood.

For more information, contact Charlene Williams at 759-

Eligible producers can apply for coverage using form CCC-471, Application for Coverage. Producers must file the application and service fee by the Sept. 1st deadline. The service fee is the lesser of \$250 per crop or \$750 per producer per admin-

a total of \$1,875 for a producer with farming interests in multiple counties.

For more information on sales closing dates and NAP, contact the Lynn County FSA office at 806-998-4501.



NOTICE OF TAX RATIFICATION ELECTION To the Registered Voters of Tahoka Independent School District:

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Trustees of Tahoka Independent School District has ordered election to be held on August 27, 2011, for the purpose of conducting a tax rate ratification (rollback) election. Specifically, the following proposition will be on the ballot:

#### **PROPOSITION**

APPROVING THE AD VALOREM TAX RATE OF \$1.17 PER \$100 VALUATION IN TAHOKA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE CURRENT YEAR, A \_AGAINST RATE THAT IS \$0.13 HIGHER PER \$100 VALUATION THAN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT ROLLBACK TAX RATE

Voting on election day will take place at the polling place listed below, which will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on August 27, 2011.

Election Day Polling Place:

Life Enrichment Center 1717 Main Street Tahoka, Texas 79373

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Lynn County Courthouse, Courthouse Square, Tahoka, Texas, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. beginning on Monday, August 15, 2011, and ending Tuesday, August 23, 2011. Early voting by personal appearance will not take place on Saturdays, Sundays, and legal state holidays, Applications for ballots by mail shall be mailed to:

**Lynn County Courthouse** Attn: Susan Tipton Early Voting Clerk PO Box 937 Tahoka, TX 79373-0937

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on Tuesday, August 23, 2011.

> Issued this 6th day of June 2011. By: Cathy Box

Secretary, Tahoka ISD Board of Trustees

AVISO DE ELECCIONES PARA RATIFICAR IMPUESTOS A los votantes registrados del Distrito escolar independiente de Ta-

Mediante la presente se comunica que el Consejo de administración del Distrito escolar independiente de Tahoka ha ordenado la convocatoria de elecciones el día 27 de agosto de 2011, para ratificar la tasa impositiva conocida como rollback. Especificamente, la siguiente proposición aparecerá en la boleta:

#### **PROPOSICIÓN**

) APROBAR LA TASA IMPOSITIVA AD VALOREM DE A FAVOR ) \$1.17 POR CADA \$100 DE VALORACIÓN EN EL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INEPENDIENTE DE TAHOKA PARA EL ) AÑO EN CURSO, UNA TASA QUE ES \$0.13 SUPERIOR EN CONTRA POR CADA \$100 DE VALORACIÓN QUE LA TASA ) IMPOSITIVA ANTERIOR DEL DISTRITO (ROLLBACK).

La votación el día de las elecciones tendrá lugar en el centro electoral indicado a continuación, desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m., el 27 de agosto de 2011

Centro electoral el día de las elecciones : Life Enrichment Center 1717 Main Street Tahoka, Texas 79373

La votación adelantada en persona tendrá lugar diariamente en el Juzgado del Condado de Lynn, situado en Courthouse Square, Tahoka, Texas, desde las 8:30 a.m. hasta las 12:00 p.m. y desde la 1:00 p.m. hasta las 5:00 p.m., a partir del lunes 15 de agosto de 2011 y finalizando el martes, 23 de agosto de 2011. La votación adelantada en persona no tendrá lugar los sábados, domingos y días feriados legales estatales.

Las solicitudes de boleta para votar por correo se deben enviar a:

Lynn County Courthouse Attn: Susan Tipton Early Voting Clerk PO Box 937 Tahoka, TX 79373-0937

Las solicitudes de boleta para votar por correo se deberán recibir antes del cierre del horario comercial el martes 23 de agosto de 2011.

Hecho público este día 6 de junio de 2011. Por: Cathy Box Secretario, Consejo de administración Distrito escolar independiente de Tahoka

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS **BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE**

The New Home Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 7:00 p.m. on August 23, 2011 in the New Home ISD Board Room, 225 North Main, New Home, Texas 79383. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

**Maintenance Tax** \$1.170000 / \$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)

School Debt Service Tax Approved by Local Voters \$0.08294 / \$100 (Proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations Debt service Total expenditures

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#### Total Appraised Value and total Taxable Value (as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)

Total appraised value\* of all property Total appraised value\* of new property\*\* Total taxable value\*\*\* of all property

**Preceding Tax Year** 60,449,260.00 1,135,880.00

**Current Tax Year** \$ 61,737,360.00 1,998,160.00

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"Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code. "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.

The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

"Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

Total taxable value\*\*\* of new property\*\*

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness\* Outstanding principal.

**Bonded Indebtedness** 

\$ 550,000.00

Last Year's Rate	Maintenance & Operations \$ 1.170000	Interest & Sinking Fund* \$ 0.09	Total \$ 1.26	Local Revenue Per Student \$ 3,558.00	State Revenue Per Student \$ 6,753.00
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$ 1.25826	\$ 0.07852*	\$ 1.33678	\$3,528.00	\$ 6,704.00
Proposed Rate	\$ 1.170000	\$ 0.08294*	\$ 1.25294	\$3,355.00	\$ 6,254.00

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence This Year Average Market Value of Residences 89,319.00 \$ 89,979.00 Average Taxable Value of Residences 74,319.00 74,979.00 Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value 1.26484/100 1.25294/100 Taxes Due on Average Residence 939.44 Increase (Decrease) in Taxes

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.44659. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.44659.

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s) Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)

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# **Proposed Redistricting Plan**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING** of the COMMISSIONERS COURT of LYNN COUNTY

August 23, 2011 • 6:00 p.m. Life Enrichment Center, 1717 N. Main, Tahoka, Texas

Notice is provided that the Commissioners Court of LYNN COUNTY will hold a public hearing on August 23, 2011, at 6:00 p.m. at the Life Enrichment Center, 1717 N. Main, Tahoka, Texas, to offer the public an opportunity to provide comments regarding the proposed redistricting plan as proposed by the Redistricting Advisory Committee.

Aviso de Audiencia Pública La Corte de Comisionados del Condado **CONDADO DEL LYNN** 

23 de agosto de 2011 • 6:00 p.m. Life Enrichment Center, 1717 N. Main, Tahoka, Texas

Se comunica que la corte de comisionados del Condado del Lynn se reunirá el 23 de agosto de 2011, a las 6:00 p.m. en Life Enrichment Center, 1717 N. Main, Tahoka, Texas, para dar al public la oportunidad de ofrecer comentarios relatives al plan propuesto para la Nuevo division en distritos que ha presentado el Comité. asesor para la Nuevo division en distritos.

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ESTATE OF JOHN GREGORY CHRISTLIEB, OF LYNN COUNTY, TEXAS DECEASED

NOTICE TO HEIRS Notice is hereby given that an Application to Determine Heirship for the Estate of John Gregory Christlieb, Deceased, was filed on July 11, 2011, by Pamela Christlieb in Cause No. 2011 PR 0011, pending in the County Court of

Lynn County, Texas. All persons being of an heir to John Gregory Christlieb, whether heirship sknown of certainty or not, and having potential claim to the Estate of John

Gregory Christlieb are hereby notified of said Application to Determine Heirship and must make an appearance to the County Court of Lynn, County within the ome and in the manner prescribed by law. County Court of Lynn, Texas

1500 Main Street Courthouse Square Tahoka, Texas 79373

DATED the 8 day of August, 2011 Respectfully submitted.

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But savings bonds, introduced in 1935, are not going away. Electronic savings bonds in Series EE and I will remain available through purchase in TreasuryDirect®, a secure, webbased system operated by Public Debt - where investors have been purchasing savings bonds, available 24/7, since 2002.

"Savings bonds are very much a part of this country's history and culture, and will remain a part of America's future - but in electronic form," said Public

Ending over-the-counter (OTC) sales of paper savings bonds at financial institutions is a continuation of Treasury's allelectronic initiative announced in April 2010. As part of the initiative, Treasury stopped the sale of paper bonds through traditional payroll plans, effective December 31, 2010. It is estimated that ending the sales of paper payroll and new issues of OTC bonds will save a total of \$120 million over the next five years in areas such as printing, mailing, stor-

Debt Commissioner Van Zeck.

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Stephens recognized ... Stephens (right), a member of the O'Donnell 1946 Study Club, represented the Lone Star State as the 2011 Texas LEADS Candidate at the 120th Annual GFWC International Convention in Milwaukee, Wisconsin June 18-20. LEADS is a Leadership, Education, and Development Seminar sponsored by the General Federation of Women's Clubs. Stephens was chosen for this honor based on her own merits and letters of support from her fellow clubwomen. GFWC International President, Carlene Garner (left) of Washington State is shown presenting a certificate to Stephens.

## Stephanie Stephens recognized as **TFWC Texas State LEADS candidate**

Stephanie Stephens, a member of the O'Donnell 1946 Study Club, represented the Lone Star State as the 2011 Texas LEADS candidate at the 120th annual GFWC International Convention in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, June 18-20. LEADS is a Leadership, Education, and Development seminar developed by the General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC).

Stephens was chosen as a candidate based on her own merits and letters of support from her fellow clubwomen. The LEADS program was developed to cultivate leaders for

the state, regional and international levels of GFWC. Seminar training included presentations on conflict resolution, mediation, public speaking skills, time management, and parliamentary procedure, and explained GFWC resources, materials and assistance. Discussions on GFWC policies, procedures and parliamentary law were part of the program.

Upon graduation from the seminar, LEADS candidates received a LEADS pin and a Certificate of Recognition from GFWC International President Carlene Garner of Washington

Stephens' interest in Federation is evident in the functions she attends, including the International Convention in Omaha, Neb. and the South Central Region Conference in Albuquerque, NM. She is an active member of the O'Donnell 1946 Study Club, and served as club president from 2008-2010. She is currently serving as Recording and Corresponding Secretary for the club. She was TFWC Caprock District Parliamentarian in 2009-2010, and is currently serving as TFWC Caprock District First Vice President. She is the Caprock District representative on the TFWC State Scholarship Committee.

She is a former owner and editor/publisher of The O'Donnell Index Press for over a decade, and she has published a number of magazine articles. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Telecommunications and a Master of Education degree in Secondary Education from Texas Tech University. She holds a Texas Teacher Certificate in Provisional Secondary English and Generic Special Education, and has been an adjunct English instructor at the Howard College Lamesa campus since 1994.

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#### Water Conservation—What is Xeriscape?

by BRYAN REYNOLDS

This year's drought has affected not only area farmers and ranchers, but also homeowners. Many homeowners are seeing their landscape wither due to lack of rainfall and summer heat. Some homeowners are seeing their water bills skyrocket and several communities have asked homeowners to conserve water through water

To help alleviate landscape water problems this summer and in the future, many homeowners are turning to xeriscape to conserve resources. Xeriscape, a term coined in Denver, Colorado, is quality landscaping that conserves water and protects the en-

Xeriscape, which comes from the Greek word Xeros, meaning dry, is considered a viable alternative to the conventional high water requirement landscapes. For the past several years, residential and commercial landscapes have utilized more than 25 percent of the total water consumption in urban areas of Texas. This percentage can be reduced to extend the water supplies of Texas. By incorporating Xeriscape principles into home or commercial landscapes, it is estimated water usage can be cut in half.

Xeriscape landscapes are not cactus and rock gardens. They can be cool, green landscapes full of beautiful plants, which are maintained with water efficient practices. The same green, Texas-style landscapes which we are accustomed to can be achieved and still conserve water.

Xeriscape landscaping incorporates seven basic principles;

- which lead to water savings: Planning and designing
- Soil analysis and improvement Appropriate plant selection
- · Practical turf areas
- Efficient irrigation
- Uses of mulches • Appropriate maintenance

By using these seven principles, you can help preserve our most precious natural resourcewater. The website: txsmartscape. com is a valuable resource for homeowners wanting to select native plants that are functional and yet will help conserve water and protect the environment. If you have any questions, contact Texas AgriLife Extension in Lynn County at 806-561-4562.

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Contact CLYDE MAY at 806-327-5434 or 1-888-568-7301 leave a message and we'll call back.

The Bobwhite Quail population decline of the past several years may be over ... several coveys with small, late chicks are coming in to eat and one group has some hardy looking juvenile



## **Football Ticket Sale** Tahoka Bulldogs **Reserved Seat**

Football tickets for the 2010 season are currently on sale at the School Business Office (Harvick Educational Building).

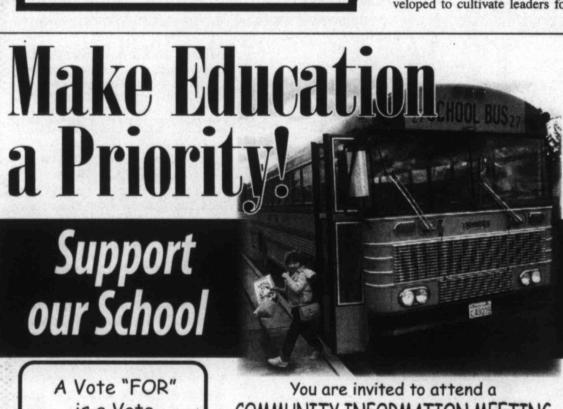
Last year's season ticket holders have an option on the same tickets again this year. They may pick up these tickets any time until August 23, at which time those seats will be made available to the public. Other reserved seats are available now.

**BUY YOUR TICKETS TODAY!** The general adult admission price for all games will be \$3.00. Reserved seat tickets for any single game will be \$5.00.

Aug. 26 - Crosbyton ...... 7:30 p.m. Sept. 2 - Ralls ...... 7:30 p.m. Sept. 23 - Roby ...... HOMECOMING.. 7:30 p.m. Oct. 7 - Hale Center ...... 7:30 p.m. 

HOME GAMES **SEASON TICKET** 

Available at the SCHOOL BUSINESS OFFICE, 2129 N. Main, Tahoka



is a Vote FOR our children!

COMMUNITY INFORMATION MEETING at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 11 at the Tahoka Housing Authority Center

The additional \$0.13 (or 13 pennies) that local taxes will be raised will generate an additional \$3 in state funding for every \$1 of increased local taxes.

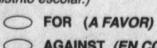
SAMPLE BALLOT - TAX ROLL-BACK ELECTION (BOLETA SAMPLE - ELECCION PARA LA REDUCCION DE IMPUESTOS)

Tahoka Independent School District (Distrito Escolar Independiente de Tahoka) August 27, 2011 (27 de agosto de 2011)

INSTRUCTION NOTE: (NOTA DE INSTRUCCION: Vote por el declaración de su prizquierda del declaración.)

Approving the ad valorem tax rate of \$1.17 per \$100 valuation in the Tahoka Independent School District for the current year, a rate that is \$0.13 higher per \$100 valuation than the school district rollback tax rate.

(De aprobar la tasa impositiva ad valorem de \$1.17 por cada \$100 de valor imponible en el Distrito Escolar Independiente de Tahoka para el año en curso una tasa que es \$0.13 más alta por cada \$100 de valor imponible que la tasa impositiva calculada (rollback) del distrito escolar.)



AGAINST (EN CONTRA)

EARLY VOTING: August 15-23 at the Lynn County Courthouse **ELECTION DAY:** August 27 at the Life Enrichment Center

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