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Remember Sept. 11, 2001

Display your U.S. Flag!

The Lynn County Harvest Festival is Saturday, Sept. 24

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Starr Bray 327-5602

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Marvin Pierce 759-7227

ART/PHOTO SHOW:
James Craig 561-4516
Frances Truehart 300-4144

Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Aug. 31	101	76	
Sept. 1	95	70	
Sept. 2	95	68	
Sept. 3	98	68	
Sept. 4	71	66	
Sept. 5	79	52	
Sept. 6	87	51	
Precipitation for Jan:			0.01"
Precipitation for Feb:			0.66"
Precipitation for Mar:			0.07"
Precipitation for Apr:			0.00"
Precipitation for May:			0.05"
Precipitation for June:			0.30"
Precipitation for July:			0.21"
Precipitation for Aug:			0.53"
Total Precip. for 2011:			1.83"

57 days of 100+

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I'll take that ... Isaac Vega (24) of Tahoka strips the football away from Fernando Zavala (7) of Ralls and returns the ball 17 yards. Closing in on Zavala at left is Tino Deleon (88). Tahoka won 21-14. The Bulldogs have their first road game this week, traveling to Plains Friday night. (LCN PHOTO by Abraham Vega)

Thefts, fights, drinking, vandalism reported

Reports of thefts, domestic violence and disturbances and vandalism during the last week kept officers busy, with drinking a factor in some of the incidents.

On Aug. 30, a brother and sister, age 27 and 26, were arrested after a fight was reported in which she allegedly bit him and he struck her. Both reportedly had been drinking at a residence in Tahoka.

The only other incident in which drinking may have been a factor was a report Saturday from a 42-year-old woman that her Samsung cell phone, valued at \$20, had been stolen and the suspect she named later was arrested for public intoxication. Her phone had not been recovered, and he denied taking it.

Stormee Martin told Tahoka Police Saturday that someone poured Gorilla Glue around the handles of both doors, on the gas cap cover and rear wiper of her 2007 Mitsubishi Eclipse. No estimate of damage was immediately available.

Also vandalized was a Chrysler PT Cruiser owned by Amy Stroope of Ta-

hoka, with damage estimated at \$200 in a report made Sunday.

Police arrested a 24-year-old Tahoka man for assault on a family member with previous conviction after being called to the scene of a domestic disturbance Saturday.

A 10-year-old boy was bitten by a dog Sunday, and he was treated at Lynn County Hospital for injuries apparently not serious. Animal control captured the dog and notified the owners.

Sheriff's officers took a report Aug. 30 that 39 gallons of gasoline, valued at \$136, had been stolen from a tank and pumps in Wilson, and that the key box controlling access to the fuel had been damaged. The pumps are owned by Slaton Gas & Equipment.

Josh Paul named Player of the Week

New Home ISD junior running back Josh Paul scored six touchdowns in last week's 60-40 win over Westbrook. The Lubbock Avalanche-Journal named Paul 'Player of the Week' for six-man football.



Cat fight ... A New Home Leopard, Zach West (#5), takes down a Westbrook Wildcat ball carrier in last week's game. The Leopards won 60-40. This week, the Leopards take a road trip to Kress for Friday night action. (Photo by Sammy Olsen, NHISD Yearbook Staff)

Art/Photo contest entries sought for Harvest Festival

Lynn County citizens are invited to submit their entries in the Second Annual 2011 Lynn County Harvest Festival Art Show and Photo Contest, with all entries to be displayed during the Sept. 24 Harvest Festival. Entry fee is \$5 per entry, and winners will receive prizes including cash, dinner, or gift cards.

There is no theme for this year's Art Show and Photo Contest. Photos are not limited to scenes in Lynn County, and artwork of any type may be entered in the art show. Categories will be arranged according to entries submitted.

Entry forms are available at the office of James Craig - Attorney at Law, at 1629 Avenue K in Tahoka. Art/photos and entry forms must be returned to him by 3 p.m. on September 16.

For more information, contact James Craig at 561-4516 or Frances Truehart at 300-4144.



Interception ... Kordell Baker (at left) intercepts a Ralls pass for the Tahoka Bulldogs early in last Friday's game won by Tahoka 21-14. No. 10 for Tahoka is Preston Hammonds. (LCN PHOTO by Abraham Vega)

woodwork
by dalton wood

TODAY IS SEPT. 8, if you happen to be reading this on the day the newspaper is officially published, and looking at Today in History on the internet reveals that several noteworthy things have happened on this day over the years.

Among them was in 1974, when President Gerald Ford pardoned his disgraced predecessor, Richard Nixon, for any crimes he may have committed while in office. Ford later defended this action explaining that he wanted to end the national divisions created by the Watergate scandal.

Ford's action was unpopular and was a factor in his losing to Democrat Jimmy Carter in the 1976 election. Carter went on to give away the Panama Canal and do some other things that caused many to consider him the worst president this country ever had (until Hussein Obama).

Also on Sept. 8, in 1900, a hurricane destroyed Galveston (last significant rainfall in Texas?), and in 1935, Louisiana politician Huey Long was shot.

The list of events I saw also said "American troops arrive in Korea, 1945," and "McGwire passes Maris, 1998." That last one I finally decided referred to baseball home runs or hits; surely nobody would care that one guy passed another on the freeway.

Of course the most important event of all time for any day in September would be the murders by the Muslims at the World Trade Center on Sept. 11, 2001. The 10th anniversary of that comes up Sunday (when it happened, it was on a Tuesday).

Every American should fly the flag Sunday, and never forget what those terrorists would like to do to all the rest of us.

THE LATE famous football coach Paul (Bear) Bryant once was asked for a \$10 donation to help bury a sportswriter who had just died. Bryant reportedly handed over a \$20 bill and said, "Here—bury two of them."

Obituaries



Annie Belle Stice

Services for Annie Belle Stice, 98, of Tahoka, are scheduled for 10:00 a.m. Thursday, September 8, 2011 at Sweet Street Baptist Church. Interment will be at Tahoka Cemetery. Visitation was set from 5:00-7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 7, 2011 at Combust Family Funeral Homes in Tahoka. She died on Sunday, September 4, 2011.

She was born August 7, 1913 in Carbon, to Johnny Dallas and Eunice Willie (Slaughter) Clements. She received her GED at the age of 78. She worked as a receptionist at city hall and the Lynn County Pioneer Museum. She married Monroe Redwine Stice on November 18, 1933 in Lorenzo. They made their home in Tahoka, where she was the last surviving charter member of Sweet Street Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband Monroe Stice; a son J.M. Stice; a daughter Betty Ann Stice; four sisters, Eddie Lee Fisher, Helen Cleo Stice, Willie Maude Hughes and Frances Willoughby; two brothers, Johnny Dallas Clements, Jr. and Lindsey Clements.

Survivors include her daughter, Mary Belle Owen, of Tahoka; two sons, Charlie Stice of Tahoka, and Freddie Stice; one brother, William Clements; 11 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and 27 great-great-grandchildren.



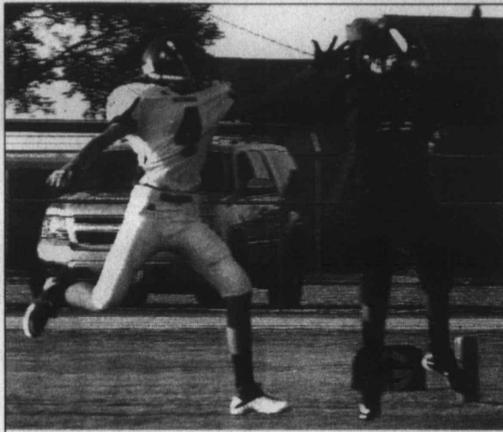
Robert "Bubba" Curtis

Memorial services for Robert "Bubba" Curtis, 62, of Lubbock are scheduled for 10:00 a.m. Thursday, September 8, at Victory Life Baptist Church. He died on Monday, August 29, 2011. Services are under the direction of Combust Family Funeral Homes.

He was born January 28, 1949 in Roswell, NM to Robert and Olivia (Mowery) Curtis. He attended school in Dexter, NM and graduated from Roswell High School. He married Loretta (Oden) on December 25, 1975 in Saginaw, MI. They made their home in Lubbock and were members of Victory Life Baptist Church. He was the owner of Bob's Woodworks in Lubbock for more than 30 years, but best known for his commitment and support to Texas Tech University. Bubba spent many hours before a game cooking for the students at Raiderville, tailgating, and raising the enthusiasm level at sporting events. He was also a member of the West Texas Home Builder's Association.

He was preceded in death by his father and one sister, Margaret.

Survivors include his wife, Loretta; two daughters, Kaeren Huffaker and husband Scott of Grassland, and Robin Gates and husband Bryan of New Orleans, LA; his mother, Olivia of Hawkins; step-son, David Biswell and wife Carolyn of Albuquerque, NM; sisters, Barbara Haney and husband Tommy of Hawkins, and Reba Taylor and husband



Touchdown ... New Home's Jonathan Nieman (#22) snags a pass for a Leopard touchdown in last Thursday night's 60-40 win over Westbrook.

(Photo by Sammy Olsen, NHISD Yearbook Staff)

Bill of Lindale; and 11 grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to Interim Hospice, 5224 75th St. #D, Lubbock, TX 79424; American Cancer Society, 3513 10th St, Lubbock, TX 79415; or Texas Tech Athletic Scholarship Fund, c/o Red Raider Club, PO Box 45055, Lubbock, TX 79409.

Estella Rodriguez

Services were pending at press time for Estella Rodriguez of Tahoka. Calvillo Funeral Home is handling arrangements.

"by the grace of god"

we've survived the end of the world, and even though we haven't had any rain we haven't had any major disasters ... so yes in a way we have been blessed ... with the drought this year's harvest reminds me of an old country singer - "slim pickens" where last year's crops broke records this year there won't be much to grow about. but god set limits the same as mama used to tell it, "don't put more on your plate than you can handle." ... wishing well to everyone in lynn county.

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Lynn County, Texas: A fascinating country

by Tom Hoskins (former resident)

"A man places a great premium on whiskey, unless he is out of water" -- Hoskilonians: 962

I remember the drought of the nineteen fifties in Lynn County. My father also remembered the dust bowl of the thirties in the same county. Those dry spells were bad but nothing like what Lynn County and all of Texas is experiencing today.

According to Haney Wells, rainfall historian of Tahoka, the average rainfall of Tahoka, Texas since 1913 is just short of 18 inches. More recently, the last twenty years, the average rainfall for the county has been about 21 inches. In the past 11 months, September 2010 through August 2011, rainfall has measured just 2.4 inches. This is the driest 11-month period in Lynn County's recorded history. 2010 was the second wettest year ever with 36 inches recorded in just the first 9 months of that year. (The wettest year was in 2004 with 43 inches recorded).

This erratic pattern in rainfall has given farmers fits since the county was settled. I remember my time at New Moore as feast or famine. It seemed like the rain we did receive came at the wrong time. A third of a bale to the acre was considered a respectable cotton crop for us in the 1950's and 60's. Last year my farmer Jaybo Webb produced a bale and a half per acre on that same dry land, a record high production. This year, not a single stalk of cotton can be seen there. Go figure. A fascinating country - a frustrating country. You never know what you are going to get. That's the history of Lynn County.

I recently had wild hogs and mule deer come to my old boyhood home north of New Moore looking for water. Their water tanks have dried up. So my sisters and brothers and I installed

a 1000 gallon water tank, horse trough as we used to call it, in my yard there to water the starving critters looking for water. Jaybo says the tank is getting a good workout. Who would have ever thought that wild deer and hogs would make a comeback on that lonely prairie?

I find Lynn County fascinating. I love to come back there and listen to my brother Jack and his west Texas philosophy and history. He never left. I especially enjoy the nights when it cools down, a true blessing for Lynn County residents. I enjoy the breeze when I can find a little shade during mid-day. I enjoy seeing the brilliant stars at night and the beautiful sunrises and sunsets. I enjoy the quiet. I love the gloaming. And somehow I have even come to appreciate the beauty of the lowly white weed. I can assure you we get none of that in this Dallas/Arlington/Fort Worth noisy traffic jam.

It was some 49 years ago when I picked up and left that country. I couldn't wait to get away. Now I can't wait to come back for my visits. It is indeed a fascinating country.

Visit Tom Hoskins' website at: www.hoskilonians.com

Band Boosters golf tourney set

The annual Golf Tournament hosted by the Tahoka Band Boosters will be held Saturday, Sept. 17 at T-Bar Country Club. Shot-gun start for the 4-person scramble will be at 9:00 a.m. Cost per team is \$160.

The first place team will receive \$500 with second place (\$300) and third place (\$200) being paid if there are 12 or more teams.

To enter, contact Cherry at 998-5305, or for more information call Tonda at 998-4928.



Jentry Klein Askew

Brady and Shea Askew of Tahoka announce the birth of their daughter Jentry Klein Askew, born on August 22, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. at Covenant Women's and Children's Hospital in Lubbock. She weighed 6 lbs. 6 oz, and was 20 inches long.

Grandparents are Ty and Sharla Askew of Tahoka, Kevin and Tammy Mitchell of New Home and Doug and Jennifer Wilkinson of Bridgeport.

Great grandparents are Billy and Arnetta Miller of Tahoka, Lyndol Askew of Lubbock, Bonnie Askew of Norman, OK, Gilbert and Delores Merritt, Bill and Judy Wilkinson, and Gale Northcutt, all of Snyder, and James and Sylvia Mitchell of Wolfforth.

Great-grandparent is Jack Miller of Tahoka.

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Notice of Tax Revenue Increase

The **CITY OF TAHOKA** conducted public hearings on August 29, 2011 and September 6, 2011 on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the **City of Tahoka** from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 1 percent.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised last year at last year's tax rate of 0.747030 for each \$100 of taxable value was \$458,183.84.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of 0.747030 for each \$100 of taxable value, excluding tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, is \$462,068.23.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of 0.747030 for each \$100 of taxable value, including tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, is \$465,810.33.

The **Tahoka City Council** is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on **SEPTEMBER 12, 2011** at **TAHOKA CITY HALL, 1612 Lockwood, Tahoka, TX 79373** at 6:00 p.m.

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A gift of love ... Five-year-old Emma Jenae Portales, a kindergarten student at New Home Elementary, had 13 inches of her hair cut off and sent to the Locks of Love organization, which makes wigs for cancer victims. Emma is the daughter of Rudy and Danielle Portales of New Home. "She was so proud to have gotten her certificate of appreciation from the organization, thanking her for her donation," said her grandmother, Antonia Garza of New Home.

Bulldogs stay unbeaten as Ralls outlasted 21-14

Ralls and five fumbles by Tahoka slowed down the Bulldogs' offensive machine here Friday, but Tahoka managed enough to win 21-14 over the Jackrabbits.

Ralls scored first as Kaleb Reese passed 13 yards to Josh Velasquez with 3:37 left in the second quarter. Ralls failed to convert, and led 6-0 until Tahoka scored with just 5 seconds left in the half, on a 23-yard pass play from QB Zach Garcia to Preston Hammonds. Cristian Ramirez kicked the extra point to give Tahoka a 7-6 halftime lead.

Tahoka went up 14-6 when running back Ke'Shawn Hood scored from a yard out early in the third period, and Ramirez again kicked.

Hood scored his second touchdown of the game with a

13-yard run later in the third, and again Ramirez converted.

Ralls tightened the game somewhat early in the fourth quarter as Fernando Zavala passed 24 yards to Trinidad Uribe, adding two points on a pass to Ty Harris.

This week Coach John Cornelius will take his Bulldogs to Plains, one of four teams to beat Tahoka last year.

Bulldog running back Trai Smith, who scored five touchdowns in the opening game, was held out of the end zone by Ralls, but still led all rushers in the game with 87 yards in 15 carries, an average of 5.8 per carry. Hood gained 56 yards in 17 efforts. Smith also caught one pass for 38 yards.

Tahoka lost the ball three times on fumbles and twice by interceptions. The Bulldogs



Dogs catch a Rabbit ... Ralls QB Fernando Zavala (7) is trapped by Tahoka Bulldogs Ray Parmer, John Ryan Barrientez (55) and Paul Bernal (72) in action here Friday night. Tahoka defeated the Jackrabbits 21-14.

never punted, and converted on four of five 4th-down plays.

Ray Parmer again led the defense with three solo tackles

and 13 assists. John Ryan Barrientez was in on 11 tackles, and 10 each were counted for Tino Deleon and Chance Cook.

Phebe K. Warner CLUB NEWS

Phebe K Warner Club will meet September 13, at 4:00 p.m. at the home of Suzanne Baker, 1629 N. 5th.

Brenda Grimes, Caprock District President, will give our program.

Visitors and new members are always welcome.

GAME AT A GLANCE

TAHOKA		RALLS
13	first downs	12
188	yds. rushing	171
75	yds. passing	48
3-7-2	completed by	3-10-2
3	fumbles lost	1
6-45	penalties	5-43
0-0	punts, avg.	2-25.5

Art/Photo Contest:

at the Lynn County Harvest Festival on Sept. 24

Contact James Craig at 806-998-4515

Care TO BE Aware
HEALTH NEWS FROM LYNN COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
by Julia Allen

Attention all Women or Men who love Women:

Do you have a loved one who needs encouragement to go to the doctor for a mammogram or a cervical cancer screening? The Texas AgriLife Extension Service, Cancer Prevention Research Institute of Texas, Susan G. Komen for the Cure - Lubbock Affiliate and Lynn County Hospital District are sponsoring an event here in Tahoka for all Lynn County women to learn more about how easy it is to save your life. See the information below and start spreading the word.

Friend to Friend: Staying Well Together FREE Breast & Cervical Cancer Awareness Party

Tuesday, October 4, 2011
5:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Center for Housing & Community Development
1400 Ave K, Tahoka
Meal served at 6:20 PM

Please join us for an evening of food, shopping, speakers, discussion, prizes and fun!
RSVP appreciated, but not required.

For more information, contact Amy Baugh, CEA-FCS, Lynn County Extension Office, 561-4562. We would love to have you all come and enjoy this night and help save some lives.

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"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, September 16th from 3:00-6:00 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, September 24, from 10:00-11:00 a.m. at the Tahoka Trinity Church, 1925 Lockwood. For more information, contact Charlene Williams at 759-4565.

Senior Citizen MENU

SEPTEMBER 12-16

Monday: Ranch burgers, trimmings, pasta salad, chips, apricots

Tuesday: Fried chicken, red beans, carrot & raisin salad, biscuits, rice pudding

Wednesday: Pot roast w/ gravy, roasted ranch potatoes, salad, rolls, banana split dessert

Thursday: Beef enchiladas, Spanish rice, refried beans, lettuce/tomato garnish, elephant ears

Friday: Chef salad, pea salad, cornbread, chocolate cream pie

Reminders and Activities:

• **BINGO...** Mark your calendars for Thursday Sept. 22 to play Bingo at 2:00 p.m. If the weather is warm, we will try to play at the Housing Authority.

• **Special Request:** The Senior Citizen Center's home-bound program is desperately in need of a delivery vehicle. If you have a SUV or similar vehicle that is in good working condition that you would consider donating, or selling cheap, please contact Bianca at 561-5264.

• **Harvest Festival Quilt...** Come by the Center to see this year's Harvest Festival Quilt and purchase raffle tickets for \$1 each or six for \$5. Drawing will be Sept. 24 at the Festival.

• **Handquilted Baby Quilts** for sale: Absolutely beautiful for that new baby joining your family. Starting at \$50 available at the center.

• Remember the Senior Citizen Center if your garden bounty is especially overflowing this year. We graciously welcome all green fresh fruit and vegetable donations.

• Plenty of *Timeless Treasures* cookbooks still available at the Center, Huffaker Law office, Lynn County News, Virginia's Beauty Salon, and City-County Library.

• Aluminum can recycle is located on N. 5th, across from City Warehouse. All donations benefit Sr. Citizen's Center.

ATTEND CHURCH IN LYNN COUNTY

<p>PRAY FOR OUR NATION</p> <p>Jesus replied, "What is impossible with men is possible with God." ... Luke 18:27</p>	<p>Wilson First Baptist Church 1403 13th St. • Box 67 • Wilson, TX 79381 (806) 628-6333 PASTOR: BILLY PARMER Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship - 11:00 a.m. Discipleship Training - 5 p.m. Sunday Sunday Evening Worship - 6 p.m. 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays: Fellowship Meal & Classes for all ages • Bible Study & Prayer Mtg • Youth</p>	<p>Grassland Nazarene Church 2885 CR 25 • Tahoka, TX 79373 (806) 327-5656, 327-5655 PASTOR: Rev. James Miller Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Youth and Adults: Wednesdays - 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Sweet Street Baptist Church 1300 Avenue J • Box 751 • Tahoka, TX 79373 (806) 561-5310 PASTOR: LYNN LONG Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. (A Bible Study Class for all ages) Morning Worship - 10:55 a.m. (Uplifting 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 Ministries) EVERYONE IS WELCOME!</p>
<p>New Home United Methodist Church 350 N. Main New Home, TX 79383 (806) 924-7549 PASTOR: BOB POWELL Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship - 10:45 a.m. Youth Activities</p>	<p>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</p>	<p>Wilson St. John Lutheran Church 13th & Dickson • Wilson, TX 79381 (806) 628-6573 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.</p>	<p>New Home 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.</p>
<p>TAHOKA 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.</p>	<p>"Why are they leaving?"</p> <p>I have often been asked the question, "Why are our kids leaving the faith after they graduate from High School?" The answer to this question is rather pointed and hits close to home: they aren't leaving their "faith" they're leaving the institutional church!</p> <p>If you asked them and those older who are somewhat disenfranchised from the church they might say something like: "I like Jesus but I just don't like the church!" Why is this? I think it's because what they see does not line up with what they hear. Really, who can blame them - not me!</p> <p>Paul deals with this attitude of hypocrisy in Romans 2:17-29. Particularly in v.23, Paul charges his opponent who boasts in the Law as one who dishonors God by transgressing the Law. The hypocrisy is multilayered - Not only does the opponent preach one thing and do another, the message he is holding on to is meant to develop mature, godly, law-centered thinking in non-Jews...the kind the opponent believes himself to possess!! Paul goes on to quote Isa. 52:5, "the name of God is being blasphemed among the Gentiles because of you."</p> <p>Is it possible we Christians are causing non-believers to blaspheme God because of our hypocrisy? Is it possible our kids are leaving the church because of us? I think so! We are guilty of preaching one message and then living another. We are guilty of preaching grace and peace and then living lives that are judgmental and condemning.</p> <p>The greatest sermon we will ever preach is the way we live our lives. And believe me, they're watching!</p> <p>- Steven Bonner, Tahoka Church of Christ minister</p>	<p>First United Methodist Church 1801 Ave. J • Box 500 Tahoka, TX 79373 (806) 561-4503 email: functahoka@poka.com PASTOR: VERNON BAKER SUNDAYS: Praise Worship - 8:30 a.m. Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Sunday Worship - 11:00 a.m. TUESDAYS: Branded Ministries - 6:30 p.m. WEDNESDAYS: Youth - 6:30 p.m.</p>	
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Tahoka Lake featured in article in Lubbock Lake Landmark newsletter

Tahoka Lake, a privately owned property in Lynn County, was featured in the June/July 2011 issue of the Lubbock Lake National Historic Landmark newsletter, reporting research results as part of a survey of long-term research efforts to understand how different peoples used this unique landscape. Mrs. Clyde May and the J.C. Calm Foundation oversee the Tahoka Lake site, and invite researchers to conduct surveys of historic significance at the site for which Tahoka was named.

The article in the newsletter, written by Research Aide Justin Moe, noted that Tahoka is one of 40 salinas (brackish water lakes) on the Southern High Plains. Mammoth Creek feeds into the north end of the lake, supplying fresh water along with other springs around the lake.

"This situation creates an ecosystem in which both fresh and salt water are readily available. The lake serves as an important nesting ground for many migrating bird species. Fresh drinking water also attracts numerous other types of wildlife. Combined with a rich diversity of plant life, Tahoka Lake is a rich resource for people and wildlife to frequent," reported the writer.

"Previous investigations at the lake included both survey and test excavation. The current

survey (in March 2011) reconfirmed that earlier peoples had utilized the entirety of the lake property. A lithic procurement and reduction area on the south end of the lake, opposite of where Mammoth Creek feeds into the lake, was a particularly important find. The area was approximately 492 ft by 164 ft and is situated between a high bluff overlooking the lake and the lake shoe. Numerous Ogallala gravels eroding out of the bluff had been worked to a more manageable size in order to be transported to other sites in a more efficient and cost-effective manner. At these other sites (such as Lubbock Lake), they then were finished and used as tools. The predominant raw material type found in these gravels was Potter quartzite. Cobbles ranging in size from about 4 to 8 in (10-20cm) were common in the area.

"Tahoka Lake has been defined as a unique spot on the landscape of the Southern High Plains. This spot, full of natural resources, was a reliable place for native peoples to find the resources they needed and for historic settlers to begin a life. The survey conducted this year helped reaffirm how unique the landscape is in terms of available resources and demonstrated how intensely humans have utilized the area for thousands of years," concluded the writer.



Tahoka Lake ... Tahoka Lake, for which the town of Tahoka was named, was featured in the Lubbock Lake National Historic Landmark newsletter, reporting research conducted during a March survey. This aerial photo of Tahoka Lake was taken in 2005 when the lake was full. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

HPWD 50/50 rules to be discussed: Water meeting set for Sept. 21 will replace Lynn County Ag Tour

by Bryan Reynolds, CEA
Lynn County Agriculture

Agricultural producers in Lynn County are invited to a meeting on Wednesday, September 21. The main focus of the meeting will be discussion of the new pumping regulations for the Ogallala Aquifer that

were adopted by the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District this summer. The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will be held at The Center for Housing and Community Development in Tahoka (1400 Ave K).

Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. with coffee and donuts provided by the Lynn County Soil and Water Conservation District. Pesticide license holders will receive 3 CEU's for attendance. Cost to attend the meeting will be \$10 per person.

"The drought of 2011 has been extremely detrimental to the crops in Lynn County, so the committee felt it was best to not have an Ag Tour this Fall," stated Bryan Reynolds, County Extension Agent with Texas AgriLife Extension Service in Lynn County. "There are no dryland acres of cotton and much of the irrigated is below normal so we felt the best option was to look for other ways to offer educational opportunities to our growers," said Reynolds.

The record-breaking drought of 2011 is on everyone's mind especially producers who have grown this crop with just irrigation water.

In July, the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District adopted rule amendments designed to implement

lished goals in order to maintain local control over groundwater management. The new rules will begin in January of 2012. These pumping regulations impact all water users in the 16 county High Plains Water District including agriculture, municipalities, public water suppliers and others.

"Education and understanding of the new pumping restrictions are critical and we feel the best way for folks to know about the new requirements is to have the staff of the Water District come to Lynn County and go over these rules," said Reynolds.

For more information, contact the Natural Resource Conservation Service in Lynn County at (806) 998-4501, ext 3, or the Texas AgriLife Extension Service in Lynn County at (806) 561-4562.

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September 12-16 Breakfast
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September 12-16 Breakfast
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- Designs & Daisies • Cardi's Cafe
- Tahoka Drug • Poka Lambro Telephone

Go! Fight! Win!

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Football Contest

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

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

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

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WEEK 3

Choose 1 Secret Sponsor:

Your Name / Phone:

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 • Calvillo Bail Bonds • Calvillo Farms
 • Calvillo Trucking, Inc.

Cowlicks Barber Salon

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Tahoka • O'Donnell • Brownfield • Lamesa
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Tahoka • Wilson

Lynnco Automotive

Capital Farm Credit

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Cardi's Cafe

Fenton Insurance

Designs & Daisies

Farmers Co-Op Assn. #1

Delia's Hair Styling

First National Bank of Tahoka

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 Lynnwood Assisted Living Center

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Paris-N-Bloom

Poka Lambro Telephone Cooperative

Lynn Cook Ball Bonds

Tahoka Drug

PARCO Pre-Owned Cars & Pickups

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