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School Starts Monday!

Tahoka ISD Notice:
1st bell at 7:45 a.m.
Breakfast served on all campuses

Parade entries sought for WISD's 100th Celebration

Wilson Independent School District is celebrating their 100th year with an All-School Celebration 100th Anniversary event Sept. 27-28, to commemorate the history of Wilson ISD from 1912 to 2012. Celebration committee officials invite all area citizens to attend the historic event, and encourage all to join in the parade on Sept. 27.

"We want everyone who would like to be in the parade to have an entry, whether it is a decorated float, tractor, antique car, bicycle or whatever," said Sharon Isham, parade coordinator. "The parade will start at 5 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 27, with a lineup at 4:30." For more information call Isham at 628-6551.

Weather

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Aug. 15	99	71	
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Aug. 19	86	65	
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Precipitation for Apr:			1.58"
Precipitation for May:			1.82"
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Precipitation for Aug.:			0.20"
Total Precip. for 2012:			8.98"

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Hospital to renovate building for new fitness center, Family Wellness Clinic

by JUANELL JONES

A new fitness center and Family Wellness Clinic is on tap for Tahoka, with the project set to begin soon. Lynn County Hospital District (LCHD) Board of Directors last week chose Rollo Guss Construction out of Lubbock from among two bidders for the rebuild project at the former location of the Family Dollar store, just west of Thriftway grocery on Lockwood Street in Tahoka. The cost of the renovation and Rollo Guss' bid is \$257,300.

The project will utilize the current building that housed Family Dollar, with an 8,000 sq. ft. interior renovation to provide space for moving the fitness/physical therapy center from the location on Hwy. 380 and the Family

Wellness Clinic on the east side of Thriftway to the renovated space.

"The hospital district purchased the Family Dollar building several years ago in anticipation of this project, and the Board accepted the renovation bid from Rollo Guss at last Thursday night's board meeting. We hope to get started within the next two weeks and complete the renovation in about 90 days," said Stace Holland, Hospital Administrator.

Dr. Zane Curry, a longtime Lynn County resident who is a former Texas Tech professor of interior design, designed the floor plan for the project. He submitted preliminary plans for the project in March, to incorporate the needs of both the fitness center and family wellness clinic.

"Approximately two-thirds of the space will be used for the fitness center, with the other third for the clinic space," explained Holland. The building is approximately 80'x100'.

One main entry with doors opening to the two separate facilities will be at the front of the building, leading to two separate reception areas. An

interior soundproof wall will separate the two facilities. The design includes men's and women's locker rooms with showers on the fitness center side, and allows for five treatment rooms in addition to staff offices on the clinic side. A walking track around the perimeter of the fitness area is included

(See Hospital Project, page 4)



Renovation plans ... Stace Holland, Administrator at Lynn County Hospital District, looks over plans for a project to renovate property for a new fitness center and Family Wellness Clinic in Tahoka. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

City orders liquor election for Nov. 6

by JUANELL JONES

The citizens of Tahoka will have an opportunity to vote their opinion on whether to allow the legal sale of alcoholic beverages for off-premise consumption, in an election set for Nov. 6 here.

Tahoka City Council met in special session Monday night, to officially canvass the petitioners' request for a local option election to legalize alcohol sales. A minimum of 214 signatures of registered voters who reside within the city limits of Tahoka was required for the petition to meet state requirements.

"There were 303 signatures on the petition submitted by citizens to the city, and we verified that 260 were certified - the other signatures were by people who either were not registered voters or whose home address was not located within the city limits. However, the 260 signatures surpassed the minimum required, making the petition valid," City Administrator Jerry Webster told *The News*.

The special election was set for Nov. 6 in conjunction with the General Election, but it will be a separate ballot from the General Election, according to Webster. Early voting will be conducted Oct. 22-Nov. 2 at the Lynn

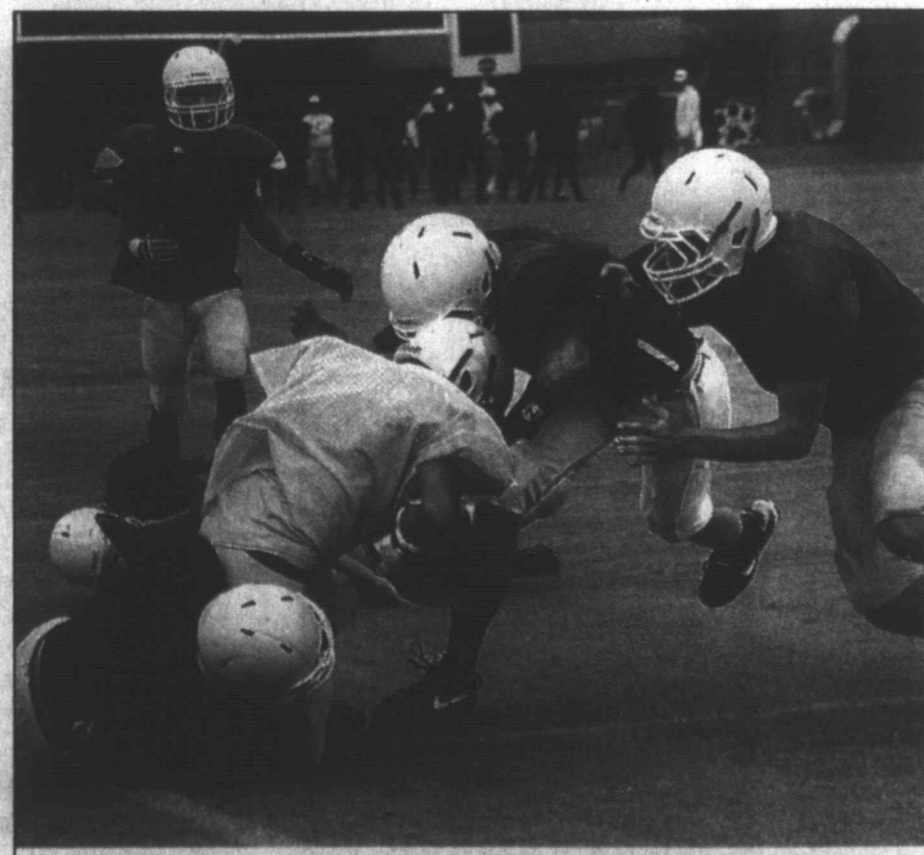
County Courthouse, and the polling location on election day will be at the Life Enrichment Center, at 1717 Main Street in Tahoka.

The ballot will read: "To legalize the legal sale of all alcoholic beverages for off-premise consumption only." If voters approve the referendum, it will be legal to sell packaged alcoholic beverages within the city limits, regulated by the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission. However, it would not be legal to sell alcoholic drinks by the bottle/glass for consumption on premises, such as serving it at a restaurant.

If the election passes voter approval, the city will receive revenue from sales tax of liquor sales.

In recent years, voters in several surrounding cities in this area have approved alcohol sales, including Slaton, Lamesa, Post and Brownfield.

Webster told *The News* that most cities that allow the packaged sale of alcohol also consider a city ordinance prohibiting sales within a certain number of feet from churches or schools, and that if the referendum is approved by voters then the City Council would most likely consider such an ordinance.



Scrimmage action ... The Tahoka Bulldogs show some good defensive moves in scrimmage action with Morton here last Friday. Seagraves also traveled to Tahoka for the three-way scrimmage, and the Dogs will travel to Stanton tonight (Thursday) for a final scrimmage. Tahoka opens the regular season at home with Crosbyton here next Friday, Aug. 31. (LCN PHOTO by Abraham Vega)

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THE WORD "Timbuktu" or "Timbuctu" is used in several languages, according to the Internet, to represent a really remote, far-away place ("Listen up, Buddy—if you don't do your job right, we're going to transfer you to our office in Timbuktu.")

It's not quite as remote as Mars or the Moon, but Timbuktu is an actual city in the African country of Mali, once thought to be a city of gold, but eventually exposed as just another little trading post in the desert, although connected to some violent history.

I remember reading in a long-dead comic strip (the Katzenjammer Kids, published from 1912 to 1949) where one of the characters asked the other, "Where is Timbuktu?" and the answer was "Between Timbuk One and Timbuk Three."

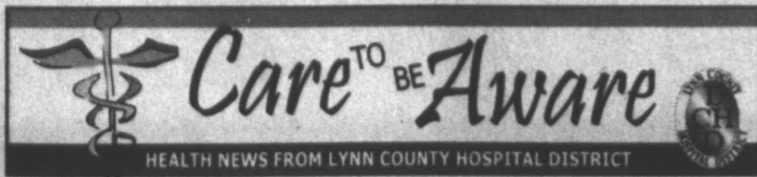
That reminds me of the time I asked someone down around Haskell how I could get to Munday, and he said, "You'll find it exactly halfway between Sunday and Tuesday." I'm digressing, so back to Timbuktu:

Timbuktu was founded by nomads in the 12th century near the Niger River and became a major trading post for caravans of the Sahara Desert. In 1324 the Emperor of Mali went to Cairo, with an impressive amount of gold he claimed was from Timbuktu. Thus began a legend that continued into the 1800s, with many explorers trying to reach the mythical golden city for a couple of centuries.

Timbuktu was, and is, remote, so those explorers mostly didn't get there, and those who did were disappointed. Arabs massacred many of them, and one guy, a Scottish doctor, went nuts. He had led a team of dozens of Europeans and natives who died or abandoned the expedition along the way. Dr. Mungo Park was left to sail along the Niger River, never visiting Timbuktu, but shooting at people and other objects on the shore with his guns as his insanity increased.

My mother used to go to a doctor like that in Lubbock.

Anyway, I've been to many strange and distant places, like Port au Prince, Haiti, Stratford-on-Avon and Washington, D.C., but never to Timbuktu. Apparently I haven't missed much.



Back to School recommendations and reminders

Our children are heading back to school next week. Here are just a few recommendations and reminders for parents and alike taken from an article on Kids Health.com.

Parents:
*If your child walks or rides a bike to school have you mapped out a safe route for them? And have you asked a friend or classmate to accompany them.

*Go over traffic safety information, stressing the importance of crossing at the crosswalks (never between parked cars or in front of a school bus), and make sure they understand all traffic signals and signs.

*Make sure your child gets enough sleep.

*Make sure your child eats a healthy breakfast. It's proven that kids are more alert and do better in school if they eat a good breakfast.

*Help them with the important information for the first few weeks. For example, locker combination, homeroom and class-

room numbers & teachers names.
Medical issues:

*Make sure the school nurse and your child's teacher know about any medical conditions your child may have, particularly food allergies, asthma, diabetes, or any other conditions that may need to be managed.

*If your child needs medications during school make arrangements with the school nurse to administer.

*Let your child's teacher know about any conditions that may affect how your child learns. For example vision problems or a child with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD).

Drivers: Stay Alert & Slow Down.

We have to watch for children walking to and from school. They will be too excited about school to be aware. Parents, talk to your young drivers and remind them of all the school zones and speeds and to be aware of the walking children.

Lynn County Hospital District wishes all students a safe and healthy school year.



Bike winners... Serena Ayala and Miguel Granados, both of Tahoka, were the winners of the bike drawing held August 2, by the LCHD Family Wellness Clinic. To enter the contest, students had to go to the Family Wellness Clinic in Tahoka or O'Donnell in June or July for their back-to-school immunizations/physicals.



It's a plane... This airplane peddle car, donated by Wildcat Manufacturing, will be raffled off by the Lynn County Senior Citizens at the Harvest Festival on September 15. Tickets are \$5 each and can be purchased at the Senior Citizen Center. All proceeds are to benefit the meals program.

FUMC Sunday School kick-off is Saturday

A "Back to Sunday School" kick-off will be held this Saturday, August 25 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 1801 Ave. J., Tahoka.

"There will be games, live music, food and fun for the whole family," stated a spokesperson for the event.

STORK REPORT

Kaybri Hope Lucas

Chris and Krista Lucas of Lubbock announce the birth of their daughter, Kaybri Hope, born on August 2, 2012, at 7:52 a.m. at Covenant Lakeside, Lubbock. She weighed 6 lbs., 3 oz. and was 20 inches long. She has one sister, Kenli Faith.

Grandparents are Rick and Lena Cloe of Tahoka, Riene Wyatt of Clovis, NM, and Daryl and Sandy Lucas of Macksville, KS. Great-grandparents are Mary Beth McKibben, Jerry and Connie McKibben, all of Lubbock, Carolyn Langan of Round Rock, and Grayce Dale Lucas of Macksville, KS.

Senior Citizens MENU

AUGUST 27-31

Monday: Turkey sandwich w/ trimmings, macaroni salad, broccoli raisin salad, pineapple delight

Tuesday: Beef soft taco, Spanish rice, corn, mandarin oranges w/ whipped topping

Wednesday: Roast pork, sweet potatoes, succotash, wheat roll, banana pudding

Thursday: Veal parmesan, rotini w/ tomato sauce, wheat roll, peach & pear cup

Friday: Chicken salad sandwich, trimmings, macaroni salad, carrot sticks, watermelon

Sr. Citizen Announcements:

• Make plans to come by our booth at the Lynn County Harvest Festival on Sept. 15! This year we will have chances to win several items: 1. Our traditional Harvest Festival Quilt plus one more! (Both quilted by Lois Roberts, and quilt topper made by Dovie Miller) 2. Handmade by Pam Elrod-two framed crosses. You have to see in person to appreciate how beautiful they are! 3. Wildcat manufacturing has donated a airplane peddle car. Tickets for the quilts are: \$1 each or 6 for \$5; Handmade Crosses \$1 each; Airplane Peddle Car \$5 each. All proceeds to benefit our two meal programs. To purchase tickets, come by the Center. Tickets will be on sale throughout the day at Harvest Festival.

• The Lynn County Pioneers Senior Citizens now has a Facebook page! Click the "like" button and check it out for information.

Samuel "Sammy" Contreras

Rosary for Samuel "Sammy" Contreras, 43, of Tahoka was held on Monday, August 20 at 7:00 p.m. at Calvillo Funeral Home Chapel in Tahoka. Funeral mass was held on Tuesday, August 21, at 2:00 p.m. at St. Jude Catholic Church with Father Edward Teo officiating. Cremation was held under the direction of Calvillo Funeral Home and Chapel. He died on Friday August 17, 2012 in Lubbock.

He was born on April 8, 1969 in Brownfield to the late Trinidad (1995) and Mary Contreras. He was a 1988 Tahoka High School graduate. He had worked for Eagle Pitcher Industries.

He was preceded in death by a brother Stephen Contreras in 2003.

Survivors include his mother Mary Contreras of Tahoka and a host of aunts, uncles and cousins.



Kollin Blake Long

Kollin Long, 19 of New Home went to be with his Lord on August 19, 2012.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, August 23, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at The Legacy Events Center in Lubbock, with burial to follow at Peaceful Gardens Memorial Cemetery in Woodrow. Visitation will be held tonight from 8-9 p.m. at Resthaven Funeral Home.

Kollin was born on December 7, 1992 in Lubbock to Buddy and Theresa Long. He was a 2011 graduate of New Home High School, and attended South Plains College and was starting Texas Tech in fall of 2012. He was also active in the local FFA and 4-H Clubs; he enjoyed showing cattle and judging livestock. Kollin enjoyed spending time with his family and friends and being in the outdoors, he loved fishing and hunting. He was a very faithful Christian and a member of Indiana Ave Church of Christ.

Those left to cherish his memory are his parents, Buddy and Theresa Long; two brothers,

Kendall and Karter Long all of New Home; grandparents, Lynn and Diane Long of Lacoste, Daryl and Jerri Jeffcoat of Tolar, and Darnell Williams of Dallas, and several aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorial donations be made to the Kollin Long memorial fund at any area First United Bank Location. For more information visit www.kollinlongmemorial.com

Condolences may be offered at <http://www.resthavenfuneralhome.com/> (PAID)



Mozelle Vestal

Services for Mozelle Vestal, 82, of Lubbock, formerly O'Donnell, will be held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, August 23 at the First United Methodist Church. Interment will be at the O'Donnell Cemetery. Visitation in O'Donnell will be held from 10:00 a.m. to noon on Thursday. She died on Sunday, August 19, 1929 in Jayton to George Calvin and Ruby (Gage) Wilson.

She graduated from O'Donnell High School and went on to attend Draughn's Business College in Lubbock. She married Kenneth E. Vestal on November 20, 1948. She was a homemaker and an active member of the First United Methodist Church in O'Donnell.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Kenneth on June 27, 1993; brother, Wayne Wilson; and a great-grandson, James Kenneth Williams. Survivors include three sons, Kenneth Dan and wife Glenda of O'Donnell, Steve and wife Peggy of Monahans, and Robby of Lubbock; two sisters; Joyce Smith of Gail and Freda Hawkins and husband Kim of Lamesa; 10 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Memorials can be made to First United Methodist Church, POBox 446, O'Donnell, TX 79351 or to a favorite charity.

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Adopt these dogs! ... These volunteers show several dogs that need a new home, as they are currently housed at the Lynn County Animal Shelter located on the southeast corner from the county courthouse in Tahoka, pictured behind them. Pictured from left are Arlene Ohlson, with Brownie; Chano Sosa and Lady, Wally Castillon and Missy, Spencer Roberts (of Leonard, college roommate of Chance Cook at right) with Tootsie Roll, Jerry Alvarado and Chico, Bridgett Lee and Spot, Connie Pirtle holding Chubs, and Chance Cook with Axle. Volunteers not shown include Debbie Gay and Lisa Segovia. Call Ohlson at 241-4434 or Pirtle at 283-1989, for information about adopting a dog. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)



Biscuit needs a home ...
Spencer Roberts, a volunteer at the Lynn County Animal Shelter, has "Biscuit" on a leash, one of the dogs at the shelter who needs a new home. Call 283-1989 for information about adopting Biscuit. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

It takes a village ...

Animal shelter loses director, volunteers step up

by JUANELL JONES

It takes a village to raise a child ... and, in some cases, to take care of the four-legged doggy friends who need a home as well. There is a local group of volunteers who are willing to roll up their sleeves and do the "dirty work" to take care of abandoned dogs and help keep the local animal shelter running.

The Lynn County Animal Shelter, located on the corner southeast of the county courthouse in Tahoka, is currently operating through the assistance of several volunteers, after Animal Control Director Abbey Redman was released from duty last week by County Judge H.G. Franklin. Franklin serves on the committee that oversees the shelter, and made the decision after numerous complaints had been received from concerned citizens, as well as a recent phone call from a state inspec-

tion official that said the conditions at the shelter were unacceptable and that some issues needed to be addressed.

Since last Thursday, volunteers have answered the call to assist in keeping the shelter open until a new director is hired, which Franklin says should be soon, as the committee is planning to meet this week to discuss the issue. The committee is comprised of representatives from Lynn County, and each of the four cities in the county.

Volunteers Arlene and Ron Ohlson, and Connie Pirtle, who were featured a couple of weeks ago in *The Lynn County News* as volunteers working with the Humane Society of West Texas to foster abandoned dogs, are heading up a crew of volunteers to clean and maintain the shelter, and tend to the animals at the county animal shelter.

"We received many phone calls from people interested in volunteering or adopting dogs, after the article came out in the paper," said Mrs. Ohlson. "When Judge Franklin asked for volunteers to assist at the animal shelter, we already had a list of seven people that we could call, and all of them were eager to help," she added.

More volunteers are needed and welcome, and Ohlson says that they would really welcome a volunteer veterinarian to assist at the shelter, as well as someone to assist with electrical and plumbing repairs.

"We've had several volunteers who are just doing wonderful work, cleaning the shelter and helping feed and water the dogs, and we now have a place for volunteers to put the dogs on a leash and walk them for exercise," said Pirtle.

They have obtained per-

mission to walk the dogs in the fenced area to the north of the shelter, which provides an area for volunteers to exercise and play with the dogs.

"The dogs are so happy to get out of the shelter and have a chance to run and play," said Pirtle with a smile. "We are excited about getting permission to use the area for a walking area," she added.

Tahoka Chapter of Humane Society

Pirtle and Ohlson are also eager to announce that they have received permission from the Board of Directors of the Humane Society of West Texas to form a Tahoka Chapter of the Humane Society. They will serve as co-directors and coordinators of the local chapter, and ask that anyone who wants to be a part of the society to call for more information on how they can volunteer. The main

function of the Tahoka Chapter of the Humane Society will be to prepare dogs for adoption or to find foster homes for dogs until they can be adopted. It is anticipated that the Tahoka Chapter can sponsor a weekly wellness clinic for the animals.

"We are still looking for more volunteers for the Tahoka Chapter of the Humane Society," said Ohlson this week. "We also would like to find a building or location to have a place for the weekly wellness clinic for the dogs, where they can be prepared for adoption according to the Humane Society's requirements, including providing vaccines, deworming, and placing an identification chip.

"We need a place for people to see the dogs who are ready to be fostered or adopted. Volunteer services from a veterinarian would be so appreciated, and anyone who loves dogs, or especially who might be willing to foster a dog until it can be adopted, would be great," she added.

She said the wellness clinic would provide the services for free, provided by the Humane Society, but that donations would be gladly accepted, monetary as well as items for the dogs such as treats, leashes and collars, dog food, etc.

For more information, contact Arlene Ohlson at 806-241-4434, or Connie Pirtle at 806-283-1989.

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Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The **Tahoka City Council** will hold two public hearings on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by **2 percent**. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The first public hearing will be held on **August 30, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. at Tahoka City Hall, 1612 Lockwood, Tahoka, Texas.**

The second public hearing will be held on **September 4, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. at Tahoka City Hall, 1612 Lockwood, Tahoka, Texas.**

The members of the governing body voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

- FOR:** AMY PRESTON, RAY D. BOX, RONNY JOLLY
- AGAINST:** NONE
- PRESENT** and not voting: NONE
- ABSENT:** JEFF MARTIN, RUDY FUENTES

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in **Tahoka** last year was **\$47,280**. Based on last year's tax rate of **\$0.747030** per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was **\$353.19**.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in **Tahoka** this year is **\$46,070**. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of **\$0.73703** per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be **\$339.55**.

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of **\$0.747030** per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be **\$344.16**.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearings and express their views.

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Project to begin soon ... Lynn County Hospital District Board of Directors awarded a bid last week to Rollo Gurs Construction to renovate this property for a new fitness center and Family Wellness Clinic in Tahoka. Pictured holding the project plans in front of the building is Stace Holland, Administrator at Lynn County Hospital District, who says the renovation should get underway within two weeks. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

Hospital project ...

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in the design.

Holland says that the current equipment at the fitness center will be moved to the new facility, and that the renovation will include some landscaping and signage at the new center.

"Although the hospital has the funds in reserves to pay

for the renovation project, our reserves will be getting low, and my recommendation to the Board is that we borrow the funds for a three-year loan. We can make the loan payments with some incentive funds from the government from switching over to electronic records, and keep our reserve funds," said

the administrator.

Holland has hit the ground running since his debut as administrator in mid-April, and one of the duties he took to heart was completing the electronic records switchover, a project that he said the hospital had originally agreed to complete in three years. When he arrived, there were 60 days left to complete the project, with much work still needed to meet the deadline for the switchover.

"Everyone kicked into high gear to finish and we have now completed switching to electronic records, which is a project that the government offered a great incentive package to complete. We now have 90 days to test it to prove we meet the criteria. When it is approved, we will get back 100% of the funds expended through this government incentive program - that's approximately \$700,000 paid back to us this year to put back in reserves and help pay for this

new renovation project over a three year period. I am going to look into getting some possible grant funding for this project as well," said Holland.

The new administrator says he is pleased with the quality of the staff at LCHD, and he has lots of innovative ideas for the board to consider regarding hospital programs and services to not only expand the hospital's services to the citizens of the county but also to bring in more revenue.

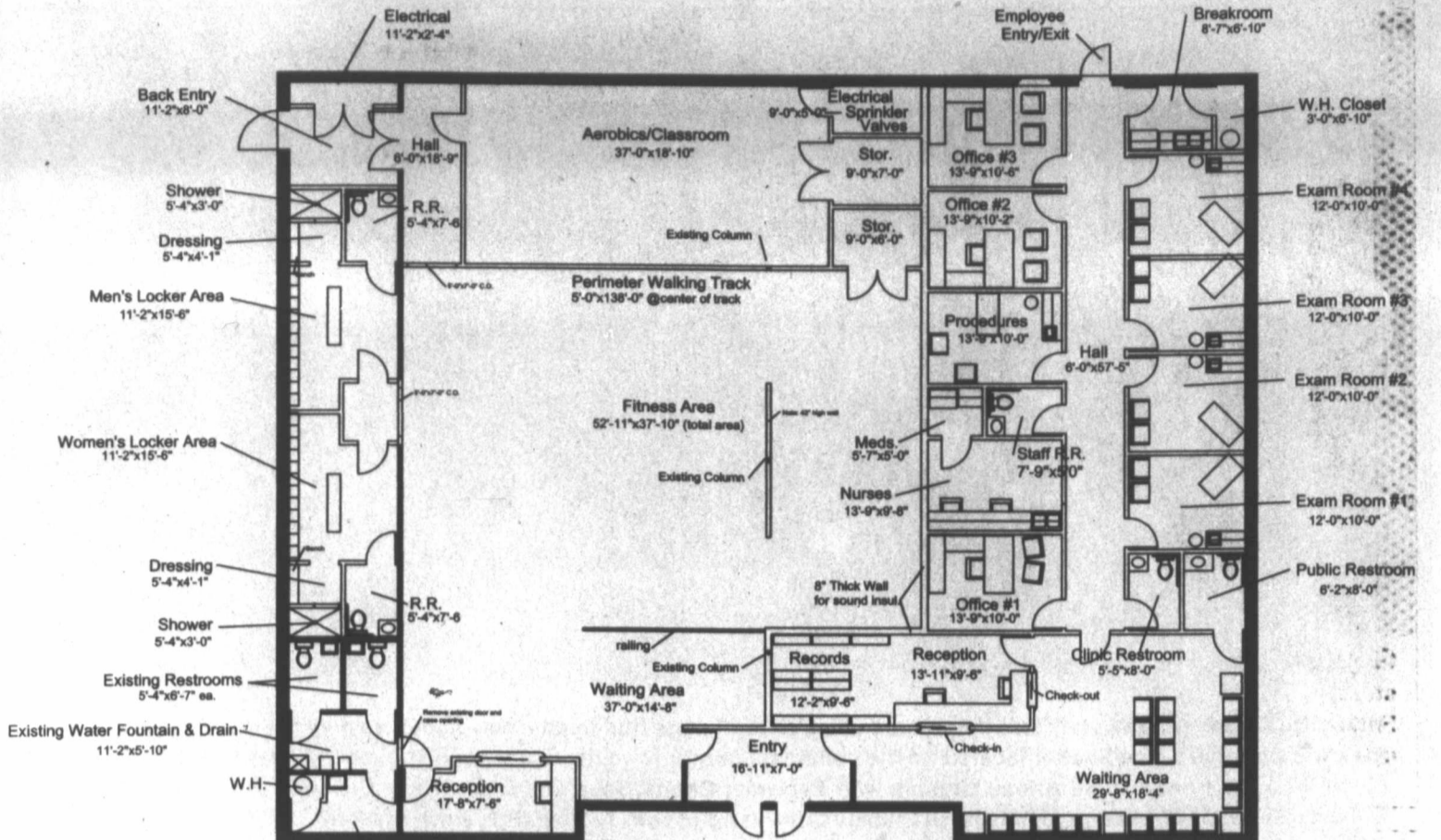
"One of my ideas is about implementing a new concept at the fitness center, where the fitness member, physical therapist, and the member's physician work together to personalize fitness programs to achieve greater health and benefit to the member - without hurting

themselves - and at the same time have the member be accountable for their progress and share it with the physician, for a more proactive approach to healthcare," Holland explained.

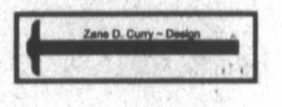
He says he wants to explore options for bringing in more revenue, and he believes his background with corporate

healthcare has provided varied avenues to explore for funding opportunities.

"There are many ways to bring in revenue, and I want to explore those options," he said. "This is a great hospital, and Lynn County is fortunate to have it. I believe, however, that we can improve our facilities."



Lynn County Hospital District Family Wellness Clinic & Fitness Center Preliminary Plan



City proposes keeping same property tax rate for 2012

Tahoka City Council voted to propose keeping the ad valorem tax rate at 74-cents for 2012-13 for the City of Tahoka, in action taken Monday night in special session. Three members of the council were present at

the meeting and voted unanimously in favor of proposing a tax rate of \$0.747030 cents per \$100 of property value. Amy Preston, Ray Box and Ronny Jolly voted in favor of the issue. Council members Jeff Martin and Rudy Fuentes were absent from the meeting.

Keeping the same tax rate is technically considered a tax increase for 2012, because the rate will generate more revenue (about 2% more) for the city than the previous year, due to a slight increase in property valuations. The effective tax rate for this year is about a penny lower, at \$0.73703.

Because it is considered a tax increase, the city is required to hold two public hearings on the proposal, to allow for citizen input. The first public hearing will be held Aug. 30, and the second on Sept. 4, both set at 6 p.m. at Tahoka City Hall. The city council may officially set the tax rate after the hearings are conducted.

ATTEND CHURCH IN LYNN COUNTY

Draw First United Methodist Church
(established 1907)
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

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"

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.

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

First United Methodist Church
1801 Ave. J • Box 500
Tahoka, TX 79373
(806) 561-4503
email: fumctahoka@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.

The Right Moves
READ JOHN 14:11-18
I am the LORD, your God, who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, Do not fear; I will help you. Isaiah 41:13 (NIV)

I like to play some very challenging games on my computer. Many of them give me hints about making my next move, guiding me to more advanced levels of play. Often, however, I allow my independent spirit to take over, and I ignore these hints, trying to master the game with my own moves. As a consequence, my progress is much slower -- or I fail completely and have to start over. But when I take advantage of the built-in help features, I improve my skills and move on to more difficult challenges.

In a much more important way, in our spiritual life we are also meant to move to new levels. After his death, Jesus told his disciples that they would move on to incredible levels of responsibility. However, Jesus also assured them that if they asked, the Holy Spirit would help and guide them. When I am faced with obstacles in my daily Christian living, God also offers me the Holy Spirit to guide my moves.

By studying God's word, praying daily, and listening to the still, small voice (1 Kings 19:12, KJV) of the Spirit in my mind, heart, and will, I access the "help features" that God provides for us. When I choose to ask for help and obey God's commands, God will show me how to move to the next level of my Christian discipleship.

Thought for the Day:
God waits for us to ask for help -- and then gives it.
PRAYER: Loving Father, help us always to rely on you to show us the next step to follow your will. Amen.
Joni Melnick (USA) ... from *The Upper Room* (www.upperroom.org)

New Home Church of Christ
324 N. Main St. • 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.

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)
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South 4th & Ave. M • Tahoka, TX 79373
(806) 561-4436
PASTOR: REV. EDUARDO TEO
Mass - 11:00 a.m. Sunday, 7 p.m. Wed. & Thur.
Rosary - 7 p.m. Tues.
CCE Class/Confirmation Instruct. - 7 p.m. Wed.

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.

TAHOKA Church of Christ
2320 Lockwood • Box 1177 • Tahoka, TX 79373
(806) 561-4060 • email: tcc@poka.com
PULPIT MINISTER: STEVEN BONNER
YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTER: ANDY BREWER
Sunday School - 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship - 11 a.m.
Fellowship & Devotion - Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church
1701 Ave. K • Box 1547 • Tahoka, TX 79373
(806) 561-4557 • www.fbctahoka.org
PASTOR: BILL FULLER
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship Service - 10:45 a.m.
SNL (Youth) - 6:00 p.m. Sunday
Activities For All Ages -
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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

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Wed. Youth/Children's Activities 7:00 pm
Pastor: Calvin Gray

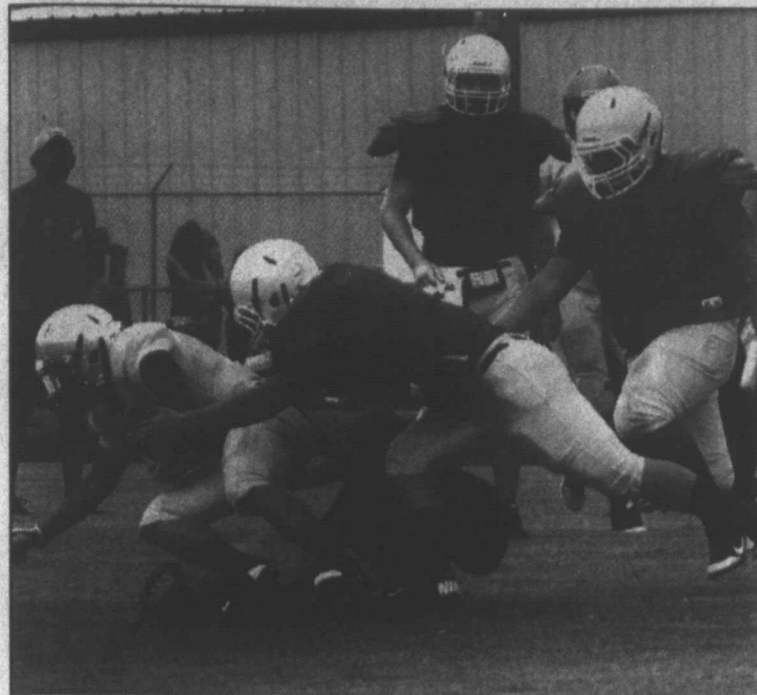
New Home United Methodist Church
350 N. Main
New Home, TX 79383
(806) 924-7549
PASTOR: BOB POWELL
Sunday School - 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship - 10:45 a.m.
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Going down ... A Morton ball carrier goes down, stopped by Tahoka Bulldogs in a scrimmage here last Friday. The Bulldogs are preparing for their opening game against Crosbyton here on Aug. 31.

(LCN PHOTO by Abraham Vega)

Bulldogs gearing up for new grid season

With several returning starters and some promising newcomers, the Tahoka Bulldogs are preparing for another football season with high hopes for improving on last year's 5-5 record.

Tahoka started out last season with five straight wins, then lost the last five games, including all four district games, despite losing by a single point to district champion Sundown.

This year, District 2-A foes will again be Hale Center, Sundown and New Deal, plus Lockney, which replaces Olton in the district lineup. The Bulldogs and Head Coach John Cornelius will have a scrimmage at Stanton tonight (Thursday) and

will open the regular season at home with Crosbyton here next Friday, Aug. 31.

Coach Cornelius and defensive Coach Steven Gray assessed prospects prior to last week's scrimmage against Seagraves and Morton.

"The offensive line has looked solid so far, and Cameron King and Jacob Arriazola have stood out as leaders of that group," said Cornelius. "Ke'Shawn Hood (5-8, 200-lb junior running back) came into camp in great shape. Look for him to do great things."

"We have a three-way competition at quarterback between Preston Hammonds, Trystan Hilger and Swade Hammonds.

2012 SCHEDULE

- Aug. 31—Crosbyton
- Sept. 7—at Ralls
- Sept. 14—Roosevelt (HC)
- Sept. 21—at Post
- Sept. 28—Plains
- Oct. 5—at Anson
- Oct. 12—New Deal *
- Oct. 19—at Sundown *
- Oct. 26—Open
- Nov. 2—Hale Center (PN) *
- Nov. 9—at Lockney *

* district games

We won't settle on a starter until after the scrimmages.

"Kordell Baker and Isiah Vega return as starting wide receivers. They have made some impressive catches in practice," Coach Cornelius added.

He also said Smith McLelland (6-5, 230 senior

has done well transitioning from offensive tackle to tight end. McLelland also was cited by Coach Gray as an expected standout—"hard to block"—on the defensive line.

"On the defensive line, we also are expecting good things from John Ryan Barrientez (5-9, 220, Jr.), who has looked good so far in his spot." Gray added that the linebackers appear to be a solid group, led by Ray Parmer (5-11, 210 Jr.), "and we have been pleased with the progress of Ethan Curry and Luke Hawthorne as well.

In the secondary, we have moved some people around from last year, but expect big things from Swade Hammonds and Dillon Trevino at the corners, and we think Kordell Baker and Levi Hawthorne can make big plays from their safety positions."

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF NONDISCRIMINATION IN CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION PROGRAMS

1. New Home ISD offers career and technology education programs in VOCATIONAL OFFICE AND VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURAL. Admission to these programs is based on grade level and pre-requisites taken.

2. It is the policy of New Home ISD not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex or handicap in its vocational programs, services, or activities as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

3. It is the policy of New Home ISD not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, handicap, or age in its employment practices as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

4. New Home ISD will take steps to assure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in all educational and vocational programs.

5. For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title IX Coordinator, Leland Zant, at 225 Main St., P.O. Box 248, New Home, TX 79383, or the Section 504 Coordinator, Leland Zant, at 225 N. Main St., P.O. Box 248, New Home, TX 79383, (806) 924-7542.

FORMA DE MUESTRA

1. New Home ISD ofrece programas vocacionales en vocational office y vocational agriculture. La admision a estos programas se basa en grade level, y pre-requisites taken.

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4. New Home ISD tomara las medidas necesarias para asegurar que la falta de habilidad en el uso de las lengua ingles no sea un obstaculo para la admision y participacion en todas los programas educativos y vocacionales.

5. Para informacion sobre sus derechos o procedimientos para quejas, comuniquese con el Coordinador del Titulo IX, Leland Zant, en 225 N. Main St., P.O. Box 248, New Home, TX 79383, (806) 924-7542, y/o el Coordinador de la Seccion 504, Leland Zant, en 225 N. Main or P.O. Box 248, New Home, TX 79383, (806) 924-7542.

Attaching the blades ...

Progress continues this week at the wind energy project near Draw. These photos were taken Friday afternoon, as workers were placing the three turbine blades into the hub. Anyone who wants a good view of the project, without being in the way of the workers, can park on County Road 32, which runs east/west just north of the construction site. From Tahoka, drive east on Hwy. 380 and turn right on FM 1054 South (Draw highway). Continue south for several miles, almost to Draw, and turn right on CR 32.

This project will install 17 wind turbines that are among the tallest in the US, and have the largest output per turbine of any in the US.

To erect these monster turbines, an enormous crane is also being constructed onsite that, when finished, is said to weigh hundreds of thousands of pounds. Some of the workers call it "The Beast." As of Sunday afternoon the Beast was not yet completely assembled. It will be used to place the assembled hubs (with turbines and the cell attached) on top of the towers, and should be an impressive sight to watch. Because the Beast is so heavy, tracks must be placed underneath it to prevent it sinking into the ground, and moved from behind to the front as the Beast moves forward.

(LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The **County of Lynn** will hold two public hearings on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by **4 percent**. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The first public hearing will be held on **August 30, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. at Lynn County Commissioners Court Room, Tahoka, Texas.**

The second public hearing will be held on **September 4, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. at Lynn County Commissioners Court Room, Tahoka, Texas.**

The members of the governing body voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

- FOR:** MIKE BRADDOCK, DANNY MARTIN, JUDGE H.G. FRANKLIN
- AGAINST:** NONE
- PRESENT** and not voting: NONE
- ABSENT:** DON BLAIR, KEITH WIED

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in **Lynn County** last year was **\$45,911.87**. Based on last year's tax rate of **\$0.8611** per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was **\$395.35**.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in **Lynn County** this year is **\$44,065.99**. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of **\$0.746402** per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be **\$328.91**.

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of **\$0.77** per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be **\$339.31**.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearings and express their views.

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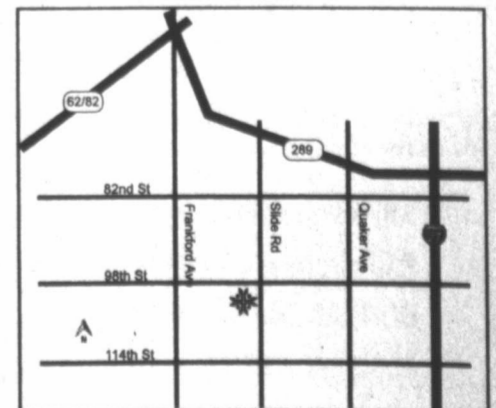
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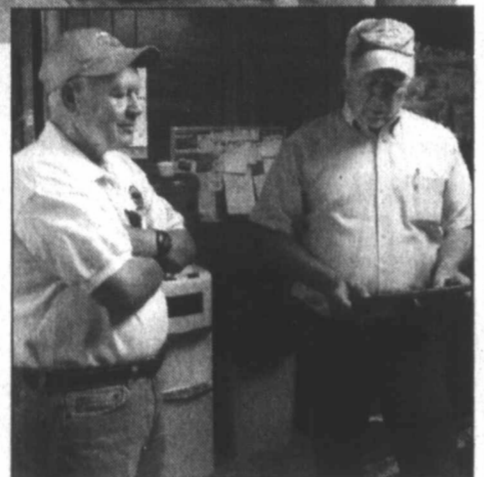
Hours
Mon-Fri: 8am-7pm
Sat: 9am-5pm
Sun: 12-5pm



Covenant Medical Group



Gin tour for South Dakota visitors ... Tommy Woolam at Woolam Gin gave a tour of the gin recently to Archie and Connie Filley from Custer, South Dakota, who were delighted to see how cotton is processed. The couple were in Tahoka to visit their son and daughter-in-law, Reed and Rebekah Filley and family of Tahoka. Rebekah's grandfather, Dan Turner, arranged the tour of the gin and gave them a farm tour of the area. "They are fascinated by the cotton and loved the tour. They don't have cotton up there so this was a great treat, and they are hoping to come back for a visit when the cotton is being stripped," said Rebekah.



Hunter safety course set for this weekend

A hunter education class is set for August 25-26, beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Lyn-tegar Electric Cooperative meeting room. The Saturday class will dismiss at 5 p.m., and Sunday's class will be from 1:00 p.m. until finished. Students are required to attend both days.

According to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, in order to receive certification, persons born on or after Sept. 2, 1971, and under 9 years of age, must be accompanied, or ages 9-16, must successfully complete a hunter education course, or be accompanied, or age 17+ must successfully complete a hunter education course; or purchase a "Hunter Education Deferral," and must be accompanied.

"Accompanied" means: by a person who is at least 17, is licensed to hunt in Texas, has passed hunter education, or is exempt (born before Sept. 2, 1971), and who is within normal voice control. Proof of certification or deferral is required to be on your person while hunting.

However, any individual may take the course on a voluntary basis and is encouraged to attend regardless of requirements, according to Brad Ashbrook, who will be leading the course.

"The course is open to adults and youngsters and will include instruction in modern firearms and primitive sporting arms handling and safety, outdoor responsibility and ethics, laws and regulations, wildlife conservation and management, hunting traditions, field care of game and wilderness first aid and survival," Ashbrook added.

The minimum age for certification is nine years and cost is \$15. Students nine or older successfully completing the course will be issued a "Temporary Student Card" at the end of the course and later will receive an original "Hunter Education Certificate" from Texas Parks and Wildlife. Those younger than nine will receive a "Certificate of Attendance," but must take the course again after turning nine for proper certification.

To register for the course, contact Brad Ashbrook at (806) 893-1353. Additional hunter education info: www.tpwd.state.tx.us/learning/hunter_education.

Aggravated assault incident reported

Tahoka Police assisted an EMS ambulance crew with a 20-year-old Tahoka man who reportedly was struck by an assailant with a metal pipe shortly after midnight Aug. 14.

The victim, taken to Lynn County Hospital emergency room for treatment, told police he didn't know who hit him. Police did talk with some witnesses to an altercation on Ave. E, and have a suspect in the case.

Police also arrested a man from Spring, Tx last week for public intoxication.

Five persons were jailed in Lynn County last week, and just four remained in jail early this week, with two of those held for Gaines County.

Arrests were made last week for public intoxication, theft over \$500, driving while license invalid, no child restraints and driving while intoxicated.

24th Annual O'DONNELL Cotton Festival

September 22, 2012 • 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

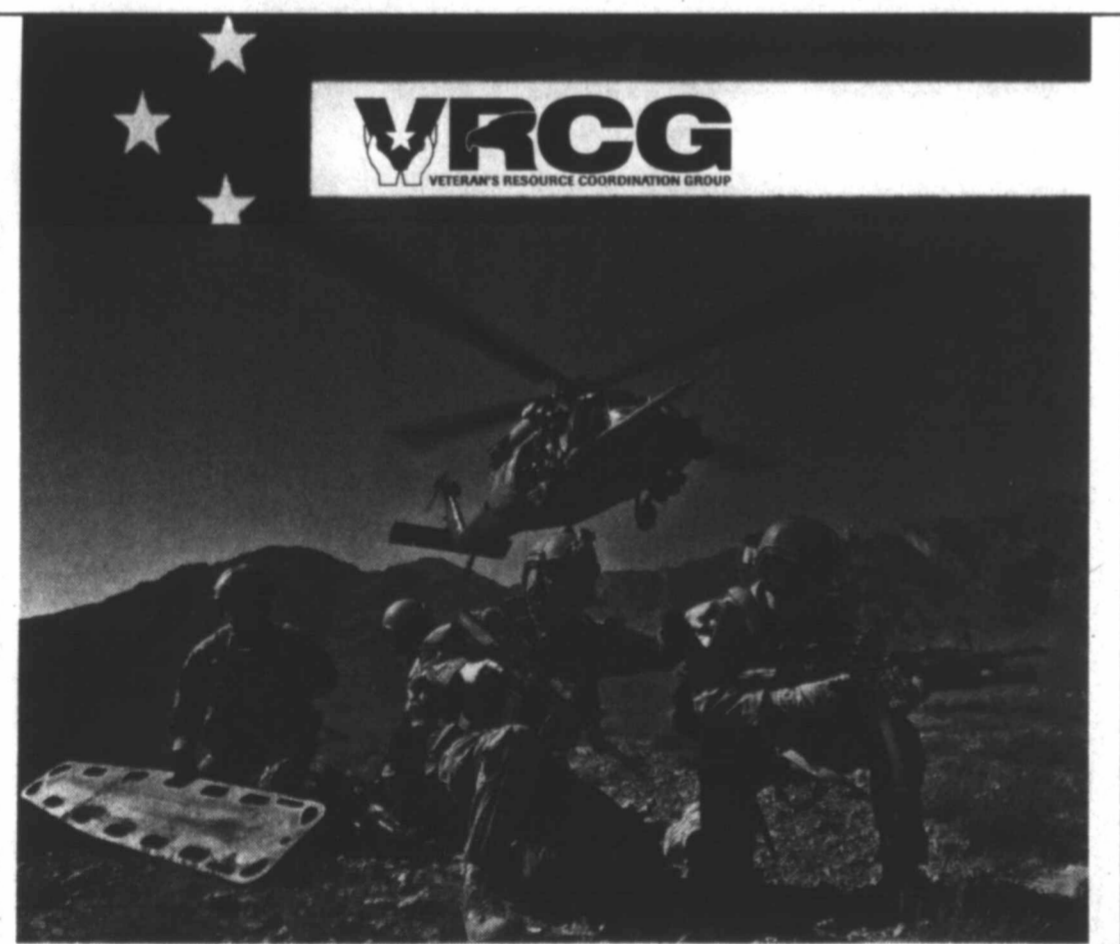
Parade at 10:00 a.m.
Booths open at 11:00 a.m.
Softball Tournament at 8:00 a.m.
(Benefit Softball Tournament for Wayne Mott)

Softball Registration

Contact: Monty Barnett @ 806.782.6004
e-mail: montybarnett@gmail.com
Registration Fee \$120.00

Vendor Registration

Contact: Frances Stephens @ 806.428.3355
or Lidia Casarez @ 806.759.3001
Vendor Registration Form can be filled out at Moore-Rains Insurance, 701 Bth St., O'Donnell



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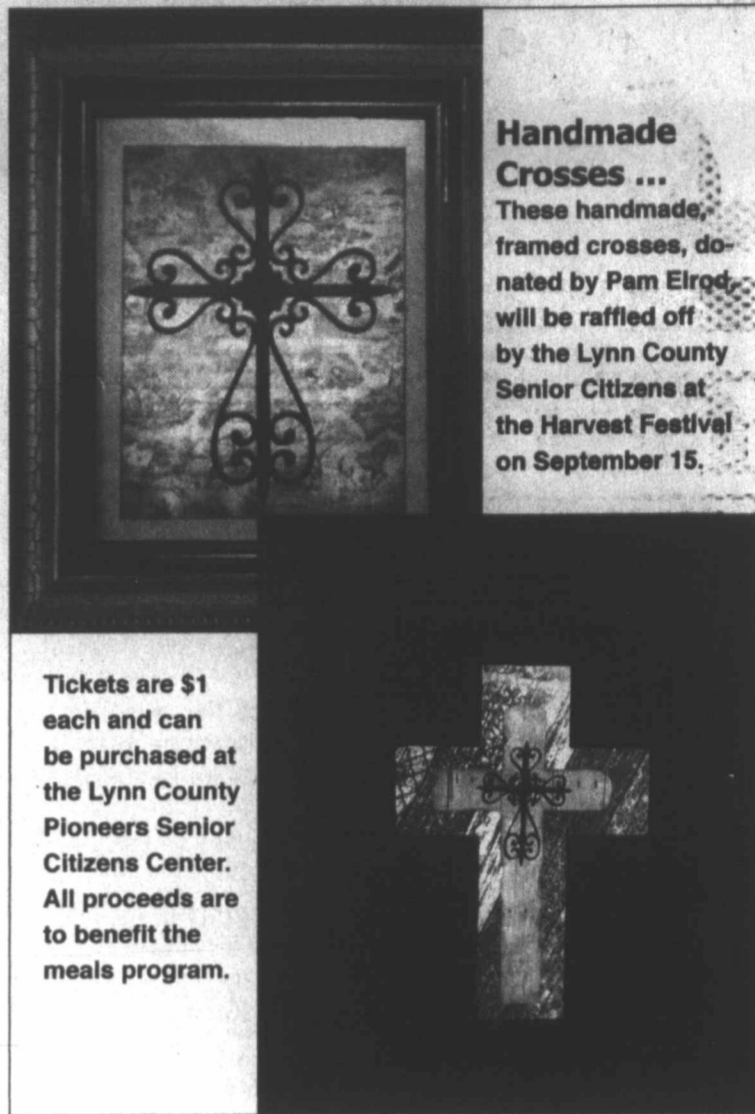
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Handmade Crosses ...
These handmade, framed crosses, donated by Pam Elrod, will be raffled off by the Lynn County Senior Citizens at the Harvest Festival on September 15.

Tickets are \$1 each and can be purchased at the Lynn County Pioneers Senior Citizens Center. All proceeds are to benefit the meals program.

Lynn County girls invited to enter Harvest Festival Princess contest

All girls in 2nd-5th grades in Lynn County schools are invited to participate in the Lynn County Harvest Festival Princess Contest on Saturday, Sept.

15, for a chance to win the title as well as cash prizes for the top three places. The Princess will win \$750 cash, first runnerup wins \$500 cash, and second runnerup wins \$350 cash.

Additionally, every contestant will earn \$100 cash for every 350 tickets she sells.

All candidates will sell \$1 Harvest Festival tickets for a chance to win four prizes, including a \$1000 prepaid Visa card, a \$250 prepaid Visa card, \$100 gasoline from Witt-Bustane, or \$100 groceries from Thriftway. The drawings will be held at the Harvest Festival on Saturday, Sept. 15.

Starting Aug. 28, girls may sign up and get their tickets to sell by going to the home of Elizabeth Tew at 2001 Ave. K, or the home of Holley Cornelius, 1828 N. 6th, in Tahoka. Come by any weekday, from 5:00 until 9:00 p.m.

The winner of the Harvest Festival Princess contest is determined by the highest number of ticket sales. For more information, call Mrs. Tew at 806-790-4301, or Mrs. Cornelius at 325-201-0702.

Special Ed services offered through Four County SSA

Four County SSA cooperative made up of Brownfield ISD, Denver City ISD, Loop ISD, New Home ISD, O'Donnell ISD, Plains ISD, Seagraves ISD, Tahoka ISD and Wellman-Union ISD offers comprehensive special education services to eligible students ages three through 21 years and to children from birth through age 21 years who have a hearing or visual impairment.

Children from birth to age three with other disabilities will be referred to appropriate agencies for services. All referrals are considered confidential, and services are provided at no cost. The parent, legal guardian, or surrogate parent retains the right to refuse services and are provided other procedural safeguards under federal and state law.

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ORDER OF GENERAL ELECTION (ORDEN DE ELECCION GENERAL)
An election is hereby ordered to be held on November 6, 2012, in Lynn County, Texas for the purpose of electing the following county and precinct officers as required by Article XVI, Section 65 of the Texas Constitution.
(For la presente se ordena que se lleve a cabo una eleccion el dia 6, Noviembre, 2012, en el Condado de Lynn, Texas, con el proposito de elegir los siguientes oficiales y del condado como requerido por el Articulo XVI, Sección 65, de la Constitucion de Texas.)
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COUNTY ATTORNEY
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Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at:
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between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on October 22, 2012 (entre las 8:30 a.m. de la manana y las 5:00 p.m. de la tarde empezando el October 22, 2012.) and ending on November 2, 2012. (y terminando el Noviembre 2, 2012.)
Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
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/s/ H.G. Franklin
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ORDER OF LOCAL OPTION LIQUOR ELECTION FOR THE CITY OF TAHOKA TO LEGALIZE THE LEGAL SALE OF ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR OFF-PREMISE CONSUMPTION ONLY

(ORDEN DE ELECCIÓN DE LICOR DE OPCIÓN LOCAL PARA QUE LA CIUDAD DE TAHOKA LEGALICE LA VENTA LEGAL DE TODAS LAS BEBIDAS ALCOHÓLICAS SOLAMENTE PARA SU CONSUMO FUERA DEL LOCAL)

An election is hereby ordered to be held November 6, 2012 for the purpose of submitting to the legally qualified voters of the City of Tahoka the determination of the following issue:

(Por la presente una elección se ordena que se celebrará el 6 de Noviembre 2012 para el propósito de someter a los votantes legalmente calificados de la Ciudad de Tahoka la determinación del siguiente asunto)

To legalize the legal sale of all alcoholic beverages for off-premise consumption only.

(Para legalizar la venta legal de todas bebidas alcoholicas solamente para su consumo fuera del local.)

The polling place for the election shall be the Life Enrichment Center located at 1717 Main Street, Tahoka, Texas.

(El lugar de votación para la elección será el Life Enrichment Center localizado en 1717 Main Street, Tahoka, Texas.)

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at the Lynn County Courthouse, 1501 South 1st Street, Tahoka, Texas. Early voting begins October 22, 2012 and ends November 2, 2012. Early voting is conducted from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each weekday except Monday October 22, 2012 and Tuesday October 30, 2012 when early voting shall be conducted from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

(La votación temprana en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en el Lynn County Courthouse, 1501 South 1st Street, Tahoka, Texas. La votación temprana comienza el 22 de Octubre 2012 y termina el 02 de Noviembre 2012. La votación temprana se lleva a cabo de 8:30 a.m. a 5:00 p.m. de Lunes a Viernes, con excepción del Lunes, 22 de Octubre 2012 y el Martes 30 de Octubre 2012, cuando de la votación temprana se llevará a cabo de 7:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m.)

The mailing address to which ballot application and ballots voted by mail may be sent is Lynn County Clerk, P.O. Box 937, Tahoka, Texas 79373.

(La dirección postal a la que la aplicación de boleta y las boletas votadas por correo se pueden enviar es Lynn County Clerk, P.O. Box 937, Tahoka, Texas 79373.)

Issued this 20 day of August, 2012 by the City Council of the City of Tahoka, Texas as evidenced by the signature of the Mayor below.

(Emitido este día 20 de Agosto 2012 por el Concejo Municipal de la Ciudad de Tahoka, Texas, como lo demuestra la firma del alcalde a continuación.)

/s/ John B. Baker, Mayor
34-ltc

Commissioners set 77-cent tax rate, approve budget

Lynn County Commissioners met in special session last Thursday afternoon to set the proposed ad valorem tax rate for Lynn County for 2012-2013, and to officially adopt the county budget. Commissioners opted to set the proposed tax rate at \$0.77 per \$100 of property value, which is a decrease of 9-cents from the current rate of 86-cents. Commissioners Mike

Braddock and Danny Martin, and County Judge H.G. Franklin, voted in favor of the motion to set the proposed rate at 77-cents. Commissioners Don Blair and Keith Wied were absent and did not vote.

The proposed rate will be considered a tax increase because it will bring in more revenue than the previous year. The effective tax rate, which would

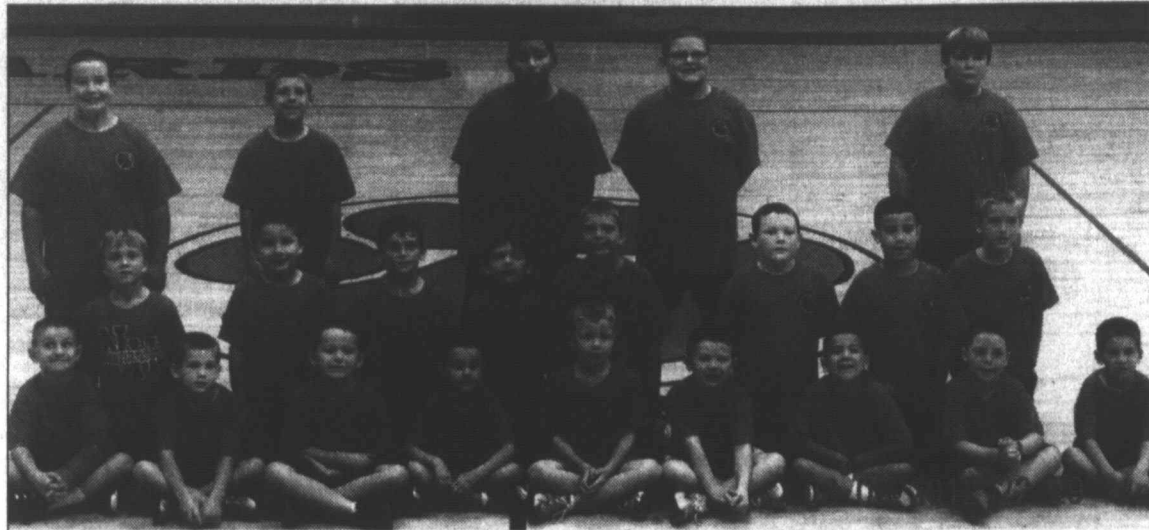
bring in the same amount of revenue, is 74.6 cents, and the proposed 77-cent tax rate is just under the rollback tax rate of 0.770638.

An increase in property valuations, mostly due to mineral values increasing significantly, impacted the effective tax for 2012-13. In 2011, the certified taxable value of minerals in the county was \$33,053,950. There

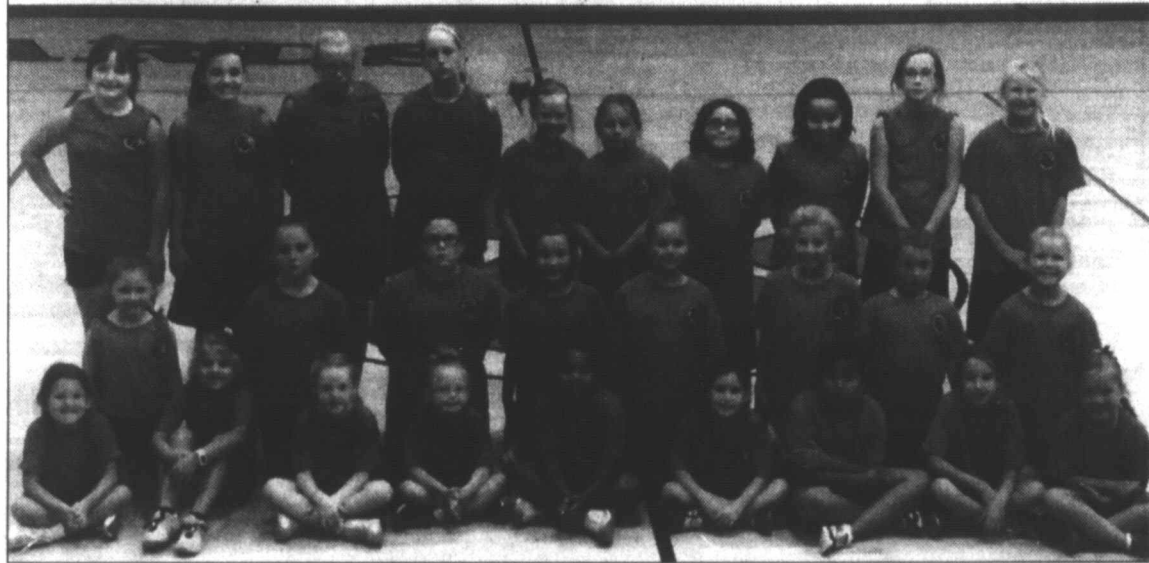
is a \$30,000,000 increase for 2012, with certified taxable value of minerals at \$63,851,720 – a 93% increase, according to information provided by Lynn County Appraisal District.

Because the proposed tax rate of 77-cents is considered a tax increase (even though the rate is 9-cents lower than last year's tax rate), commissioners must have two public hearings on the proposed tax rate before officially setting the rate. Those hearings will be held Aug. 30 and Sept. 4, both at 9 a.m. in the basement courtroom of the Lynn County Courthouse.

Commissioners officially approved a 2012-2013 budget of \$4,419,682 in anticipated expenditures, with anticipated revenue of \$4,427,399.



New Home basketball camp ... New Home Little Dribblers hosted their first basketball camp this summer with great success. There were 49 campers attending, from Kindergarten age thru 6th grade.



Harvest Festival seeks young ladies for Queen candidates

The Lynn County Harvest Festival Queen scholarship contest will be held on Sept. 15, with candidates for the event currently sought. Any Lynn County high school age female may enter the contest. Candidates must be enrolled in a Lynn County high school, and may be a freshman, sophomore, junior or senior. The top three winners in the event will receive college scholarships. All candidates also earn cash based on ticket sales, whether or not they win the scholarship.

All queen candidates support the scholarship program by selling Harvest Festival raffle tickets. Tickets will sell for a donation of \$1 for four chances to win, including a \$1000 prepaid Visa card, a \$250 prepaid Visa card, \$100 gasoline from Witt Butane, or \$100 of groceries from Thriftway.

Applications for the Queen contest are currently available by contacting Starr Bray, chairman, at 327-5602, or Elizabeth Tew, co-chairman, at 790-4301.

Class of '87 seeks classmates

The Tahoka High School Class of 1987 is seeking classmates for their 25th class reunion to be held September 14 and 15. Several activities have been planned for the Homecoming/Harvest Festival weekend.

For more information contact Tammi Hood Pillow at 806-577-6426, 806-474-5015 or 806-747-4933. Please R.S.V.P. to Tammi by September 3.

Class of 1992 plans reunion

The Tahoka Class of 1992 is seeking classmates for their 20-year reunion. The class will meet at the high school for the exes assembly on Sept. 14 between 12:00-1:00 p.m. Class president Joe Hays will be guest speaker at the assembly. The class will have a float in the parade for anyone who would like to ride.

The class will gather before and after the football game at David Cook's. On Saturday, the class will meet for dinner at Jana Engle's. For more details, contact Joe Hays at Joechays@yahoo.com, Rachel (Curry) Lehman at recl@aol.com, any class member, or look for the class on Facebook.

Labor of Love blood drive set

The Tahoka community Labor of Love blood drive will be held 3:00 to 7:00 pm, Monday, Aug. 27, at the Life Enrichment Center, 1717 Main.

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COUNTY OF LYNN

DATED the 2nd day of August, 2012, and issued pursuant to judgment decrees of the District Court of Lynn County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in the hereinafter numbered and styled causes, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on the 2nd day of August, 2012, seized, levied upon, and will on the 4th day of September, 2012, at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Tahoka, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, as provided for by the TEXAS PROPERTY TAX CODE.

All of the following properties being located in Lynn County, Texas and each property being more particularly described on an instrument recorded in the Volume and Page reference (V ___ / P ___) or document number of the Deed Records, Lynn County, Texas. The approximate property addresses reflected herein are the addresses on the tax records and may or may not be completely accurate.

PROP #	CAUSE #	STYLE	PROP DESCRIPTION, ADDRESS, ACCT #
1	07-10-02421	Lynn County Appraisal District v Eric Anthony Arellano	Lot 4, Block 114, Original Townsite of the Town of Wilson, Lynn County, Texas (Volume 324, Page 306 and Volume 385, Page 185 of the Deed Records, Lynn County, Texas), Account #2239000001/000010300000114000400
2	10-10-02517	Lynn County Appraisal District v Juan Romero	Lots 2, 3 and 4, Block 81, Original Townsite of the Town of O'Donnell, Lynn County, Texas (Volume 371, Page 551 of the Official Public Records, Lynn County, Texas), Account #6632000001
4	10-10-02524	Lynn County Appraisal District v Susie Amaro et al	Lot 8, Block 6, Original Townsite of the City of O'Donnell, Lynn County, Texas (Volume 174, Page 69), Account #1220000001
5	11-01-02537	Lynn County Appraisal District v Gerardo Ortiz et al	the South 1/2 of Lots 7 and 8, Block 62, Original Townsite of O'Donnell, Lynn County, Texas (Volume 334, Page 591 of the Official Public Records, Lynn County, Texas), Account #8577000001
6	11-06-02554	Lynn County Appraisal District v Roy Gonzales et al	Lot 8, Block 24, Original Townsite to the City of O'Donnell, Lynn County, Texas (Volume 367, Page 202 of the Official Public Records, Lynn County, Texas), Account #4959000001
7	11-06-02554	Lynn County Appraisal District v Roy Gonzales et al	Lot 7, Block 24, Original Townsite to the City of O'Donnell, Lynn County, Texas (Volume 367, Page 202 of the Official Public Records, Lynn County, Texas), Account #8462000001
8	11-06-02555	Lynn County Appraisal District v Ramiro Rodriguez et al	Lots 9, 10 and 11, Block 113, Original Townsite of the Town of O'Donnell, Lynn County, Texas (Vol. 333, Page 225 of the Official Public Records, Lynn County, Texas), Account #9601000001
9	11-06-02558	Lynn County Appraisal District v Lylia J. Knight et al	Lot 19, Block 1, North Tahoka Addition to the City of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas (Volume 202, Page 249 of the Deed Records, Lynn County, Texas), 2104 W. Lockwood, Tahoka, Texas 79373-5027, Account #6476000001
10	11-06-02560	Lynn County Appraisal District v Juanita Barrera et al	Lot 1, Block 136, Original Townsite of the Town of O'Donnell, Lynn County, Texas (Volume 187, Page 61 of the Deed Records, Lynn County, Texas), Account #1569000001
11	11-11-02565	Lynn County Appraisal District v Estella Moore et al	a manufactured home only, Label #TXS0143559, on Lots 7 & 8, Block 115, Original Townsite of the Town of O'Donnell, Lynn County, Texas, Lots 7 & 8, Block 115, O'Donnell, Account #4707000001
12	11-11-02568	Lynn County Appraisal District v Victor Salinas, Jr. et al	Lot 7, Block 63, North Tahoka Addition to the City of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas (Volume 297, Page 124 of the Deed Records, Lynn County, Texas), Account #9901000001

This sale will be conducted to satisfy the judgment(s) for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interests due on the properties described herein, and for all costs of court and sale.

I do hereby verify that true and correct copies of the foregoing Joint Notice of Sale have been delivered by United States Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, and by regular mail, to each of the Defendants named in each of the numbered and styled causes.

DATED the 2nd day of August, 2012, at Tahoka, Texas

JERRY DEE FRANKLIN, Sheriff Lynn County, Texas

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