

Where in the world is

The Lynn County News on vacation!

On the beach

Matt and Katy Ratliff of Frisco, Texas took the Lynn County News with them on a recent trip to Belize. Katy has been pictured in the paper several times with Rhonda McNeely and the Legacy Makers for the Susan G Komen 3-day 60 mile walk.



LCN appreciates our readers taking us to exciting locations!

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At Mt. Rushmore ... The Ausbern family from Tahoka recently visited Mount Rushmore National Memorial, near Keystone, South Dakota. From left are Talon, Audria, Weston and Doug Ausbern.



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Tahoka Centenarian Madeline Hegi will celebrate her

102nd

birthday on Wednesday, Aug. 21.

She was born Aug. 21, 1911.

She is a resident of Lynnwood Independent & Assisted Living Center in Tahoka.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, MADELINE!

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SCRIMMAGE TIME!

Tahoka vs Seagraves/Morton 6 p.m. Friday, Aug. 16 at Seagraves

What's Outside

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Aug. 6	102	70	
Aug. 7	95	70	0.24"
Aug. 8	98	70	
Aug. 9	89	64	
Aug. 10	89	64	0.31"
Aug. 11	91	64	0.16"
Aug. 27	94	66	
Total Precip for Jan.:			0.93"
Total Precip for Feb.:			0.96"
Total Precip for Mar.:			-
Total Precip for Apr.:			-
Total Precip for May:			0.81"
Total Precip for June:			4.82"
Total Precip for July:			3.29"
Total Precip for Aug.:			1.52"
Total Precip. for 2013:			12.33"

TISD board proposes \$1.17 tax rate, chooses FB&T as bank depository



Tahoka Independent School District Board of Trustees met in regular session last Thursday, Aug. 8, setting a proposed tax rate of \$1.17, which is the rollback rate, or the highest the district can set without triggering a rollback election. The board also changed banks in choosing the school district's bank depository for the next two years, choosing an agreement with First Bank and Trust from among the two proposals, the other one from First National Bank of Tahoka, who has historically served as the school's financial depository.

The five trustees present at the meeting voted 5-0 to approve FB&T as the district's bank depository for 2013-2015, after comparing the proposals from FB&T and FNB. Representatives from both banks were present at the meeting to discuss the proposals with the board.

The Board had an hour-long budget workshop prior to the board meeting to discuss TISD property values, which Superintendent Steve Bursen reported as going down just under \$14,000,000 this year.

"With the reduction in the overall property values the tax rate has the

possibility of going up this year," explained the superintendent. "The maximum that the tax rate can go up to is \$1.17. The rate to maintain the same level of maintenance and operations revenue as last year would need to go to \$1.45, which we cannot do," he said.

The proposed \$1.17 tax rate is 3.5-cents higher than the current rate of \$1.1349. At the proposed rate, the revenue collected would not fund the proposed budget, according to budget figures presented to the board at the meeting. The proposed budget would have a \$422,000 deficit at the \$1.17 tax rate, according to TISD Business Manager Karen Johnston. The board set Thursday, August 29, for a public hearing to hear citizen input on the proposed budget. The hearing will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Harvick Educational Building.

In other business, trustees chose a property insurance bid from the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) for property, casualty and fleet insurance for the 2013-2014 school year. Their bid was for \$26,789. The auditing firm of Terry and King was approved as the district's auditor, and the TISD student code of conduct for 2013-2014

was approved with minor changes.

The board approved the Professional Development and Appraisal System calendar for 2013-2014, as required by state statute, which stipulates when school administrators may conduct state required classroom observations of teachers. It also approved all of the school district's certified administrators as second appraisers in the event a teacher requested a second appraisal.

Texas Association of School Boards Policy Local (CNA) was approved, which allows school students

to be provided bus transportation to school in areas designated as hazardous conditions (such as crossing heavy traffic areas, including highways). The area across Highway 87 has been designated as hazardous crossing conditions, which allows students living in these locations to be placed on school bus routes. The designation is not new, and these students have historically been provided bus transportation. (see TISD Board report, page 4)

City of Tahoka proposes keeping property tax rate at 74-cents

City tax rates in Tahoka will most likely remain the same, according to information released this week by the City of Tahoka in a notice of a public hearing on tax increase. It's a little misleading, because if the city keeps the current tax rate of 74-cents (0.747030) it will be considered a tax increase because keeping the same rate as the previous year will bring in more revenue, due to increased taxable values.

Council members voted 4-0, with the fifth council member absent from the meeting on Monday, to propose keeping the tax rate at 74-cents. The effective tax rate is 73-cents (0.731231 per \$100 of taxable value), which is the rate that would bring in the same amount of revenue as the previous year.

If the city adopts the proposed tax rate of 74-cents, revenue will increase by 3 percent from the previous year's collections. Because of increased property values, taxes imposed on the average home would increase slightly.

The city council set two public hearings to hear input on the proposal, with the first on Aug. 22 at 5 p.m. at Tahoka City Hall, and the second hearing at 5 p.m. Aug. 27.

City Administrator Jerry Webster

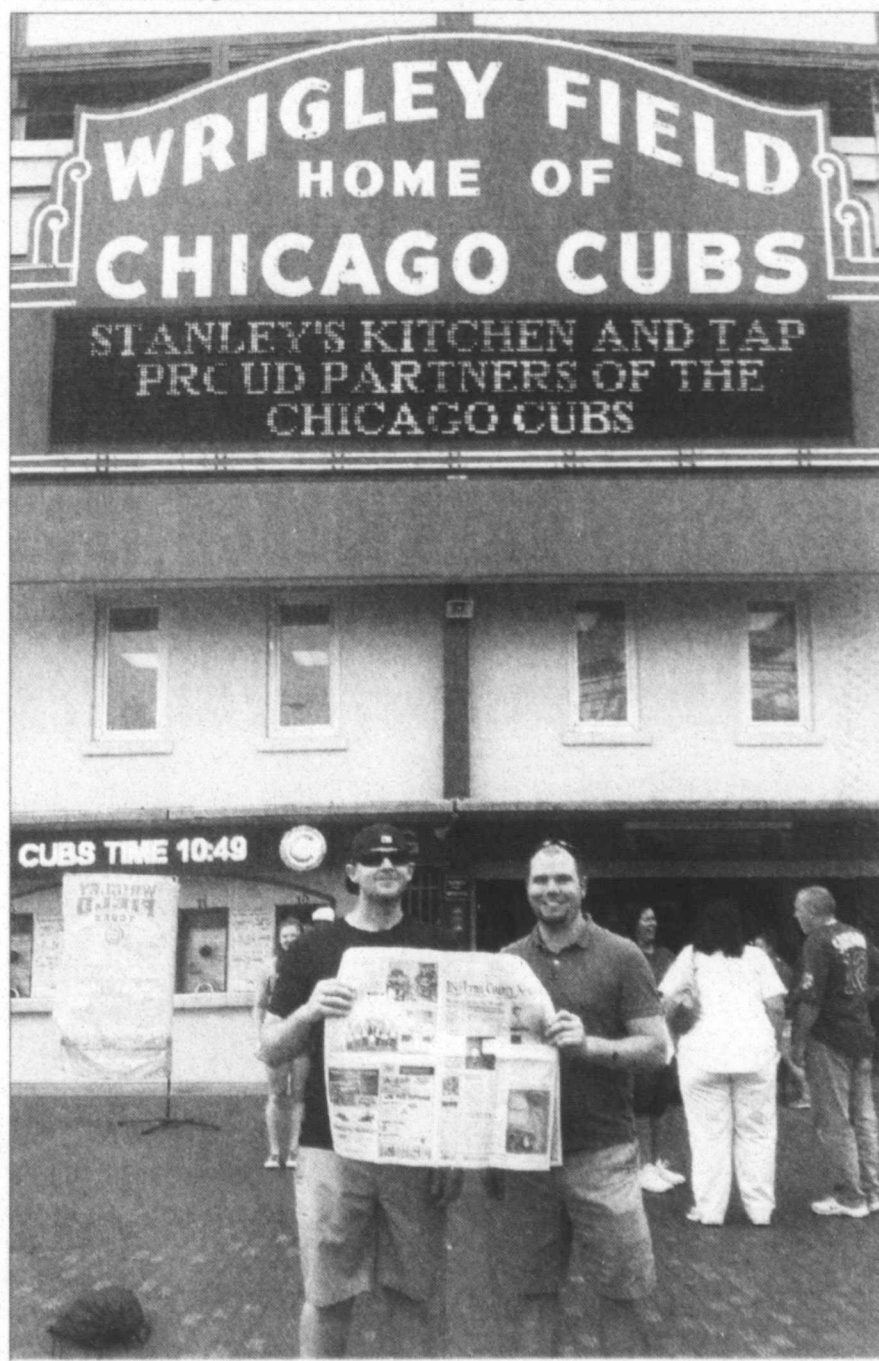
told *The News* that the city is not considering any increases in city service rates at this time, and that the new budget was planned with current rates in effect.

In other business at Monday night's council meeting, the council approved the firm of Bolinger, Segars, Gilbert and Moss, LLP, to conduct the city's audit for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 2013, and approved a contract with Wasteline Engineering to complete the city's Texas Water Development Board EDAP project, as the planning phase continues on replacing the city's waterline system through the EDAP funds.

Nieves Segovia Jr. met with the council to request a Special Use Permit to allow public dances to be held at his commercial building located at 1601 Lockwood Street as "The Oasis Ballroom." According to City Administrator Jerry Webster, city officials explained to Segovia that the city's zoning ordinance did not allow for a dance hall (with paid admission to the facility), but noted that the location could be used as a community center type facility if the location was compliant with other city ordinances. No motion was made by the council regarding this issue.

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The Lynn County News Wrigley Field!



Take me out to the ballgame ... LCN readers Kyle and Kody Bueermann, formerly of Tahoka, are pictured with their Lynn County News at Wrigley Field in Chicago, Ill. "We saw two games of the Cubs-Dodgers series - the Cubs got swept," they reported. The News is about 1160 miles from home in this photo.



Words of Inspiration:

"Life isn't a matter of milestones, but of moments."

— ROSE KENNEDY

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Obituaries

Ella Lee Brown

Services for Ella Lee Brown, 68, of Rockdale, formerly of Tahoka, were held at the First United Methodist Church in Pflugerville, on Saturday, August 10. Pastor Homer Reddie and Elder Alton Graves officiated the service. Interment was at Capital Parks Cemetery. She departed this life on August 3, 2013.

She was born on March 4, 1945 to James Crawford and Rosezetta Franklin in Falls County. Ella married James Edward Wells in 1960 and was preceded in death by her husband James in 1967. Ella married Herman Brown on May 13, 1972. Ella lived in Tahoka with her children and was a member of the Church of God in Christ. In 1990, she moved to Rockdale and continued to live in there until March 2013. She was truly blessed and loved her family.

She leaves to cherish her memory her mother Rosezetta Walker of Pflugerville; eight children, Tommy Wells (Linda) of Manor, Genell Dixon (Robert) of Rockdale, James Wells (Julie) of Pflugerville, Charles Wells of Rockdale, Paul Wells (Sonia) of Round Rock, Pam Ogwu, Denise Webb and Dernika Polk of Round Rock; one step-son Tracy Bryson; and one sister Robbie Nell Thompson (Joseph) of Rockdale; 28 grandchildren, Dameon Williams, Tommy Wells, Jr., Josh Wells, LaToya Wells-Blaylark, Crystal Dixon, Robert Dixon, Jr., Jaleesa Dixon, Terral Dixon, Daniel Dowdey, Kendra Wells, Cedric Wells, Jasmine Ogwo, Nicole Wells, LaTasha Wells, Daniel Wells, Charles Wells, Jr., Brandon Martin, Mariah Wells, Paul Wells, Jr., Katera Wells, Cassidy Hunter, Keantrea Rogers, James Webb, Jr., Jeremiah Webb, Hailey Webb, D'Vontrea White, Lamarqus Polk, Jr. and Markayla Polk; and 19 great-

grandchildren and a host of other loving relatives and friends. (PAID)



Lula Mae (Dottie) Ashbrook

Services for Lula Mae (Dottie) Ashbrook, 88, of Tahoka, were held at 3:00 p.m. Saturday, August 10, 2013 at the First United Methodist Church in Tahoka. Interment was at Tahoka Cemetery. She died on Wednesday, August 7.

She was born April 15, 1925 in Cherry Hill, AR to Albert and Matilda (Miller) Philpot. She married William Raymond Ashbrook. She was a member of Home Demo Club for thirty years and First United Methodist Church where she served as a Sunday school teacher.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, William Raymond Ashbrook and ten siblings.

Survivors include her son, Charles Ashbrook of Tahoka; two daughters, Mae Daun Norwood and Brenda Anderson both of San Angelo; brother, Bob Philpot of Mena, AR; sister, Irene Morton of Bakersfield, CA; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers the family suggest memorial donations be made to First United Methodist Church P.O. Box 500, Tahoka, TX 79373 or Lynn County Hospital District (Swing Bed), PO Box 1310, Tahoka, TX 79373

Please celebrate the life of Dottie by visiting www.combestfamilyfuneralhomes.com (PAID)

Lena Mae Roe

Memorial services for Lena Mae Roe, 87, formerly of Tahoka, were held on Monday, August 12, 2013, at 2:00 PM at the Mulkey-Mason Funeral Home Chapel, 705 N. Locust, in Denton, with the Rev. Danny Lunsford officiating. She died at Cottonwood Manor in Denton, on August 8.

She was born July 26, 1926 in Lissie, to Zora (Melton) and Levi Billings.

Lena Mae was preceded in death by her husband, Sam B Roe of Tahoka, her parents, a son, a daughter, a brother, a granddaughter and several siblings.

Survivors include one son, Lonnie Roe and wife, Paulette, of Pearland; two daughters, Ruby Cruse and husband, Tyler of Corinth, and Phyllis Cummings and husband, Howard Lewis of Denton; siblings, Willie Roe and wife, Glenna of Sundown, Inez Gandy and husband, Bill, of Ira, Pat Calloway and husband, Ken, of New Deal, and Emily Bivens of Lubbock; 10 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren, and several great-great grandchildren. She is also survived by her primary caregiver, Terri Claytor, of Era.

In lieu of flowers please make memorials to the Alzheimer's Foundation of America, 322 8th Ave # 700, New York, NY 10001.

Don Caraway

Services for Don Caraway, 78, formerly of Tahoka, were held Saturday, August 10, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Anson. Burial was at Hico Cemetery at 3:30 p.m. directed by Adams-Graham Funeral Home. He died Tuesday, August 6, in Abilene.

He was born September 1, 1934 in Wilson, to Cecil and Della Pearl (Johnson) Caraway. He graduated from Tahoka High School. He married Juanita Shipman in Spur in October 5, 1958. They moved to Anson in 2006. Don was the manager of the Cotton Gin. He was member of the First Baptist Church of Anson.

He was preceded him in death by his wife in February, 2008.

Survivors include one daughter, Trina Caraway of Houston; one brother, Cecil L. Caraway (and wife, Betty) of Hawley; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

by Dalton **Woodwork**



SOME PEOPLE don't look good wearing clothes, but let me say quickly that those of us who dress like slob would look even worse with no clothes at all.

What I mean is that some people look neat and nice wearing almost anything, and others look like slob whose garments hang on them every which way, no matter how much or how little either group pays for clothing.

You could put me in high-priced clothing (I have owned a few things that cost way too much) and I still look sloppy. And I have known a few people who look great, no matter what they wear; always neat as a pin, with an air of confidence in the way they look.

I have known people who would look good wearing a cotton sack, and others who could look like a homeless person in garments from Neiman-Marcus.

Admittedly, self-esteem and good grooming are a major part of appearing neat. For example, these neatniks would never drop food on their clothes like I often do.

I can relate to a song sung by Spike Jones and his City Slickers years ago, called "What Size Grapefruit Do You Wear?" It asks, "Do you wear it on your tie, or squirt it in your eye?" And here is part of the next verses:

Please tell me, what shade gravy do you like?

A man is richly dressed when there's gravy on his vest,

What shade gravy do you like?

Mama, don't take me to the cleaners;

That isn't dirt upon my shirt, it's sour kraut and Wieners.

I really like Mexican food, but I have learned that I shouldn't wear white or any solid light colored shirt when I order it. Mexican food tastes better spooned into the mouth than when it's squeezed out of your shirt.

Anyway, we slob play an important role in the general appearance of people. If it weren't for us, you other people wouldn't look so good.

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At the lake ... Wanda Curry and Morris Bingham read up on the latest happenings in Lynn County at their home at Buchanan Dam, Texas.

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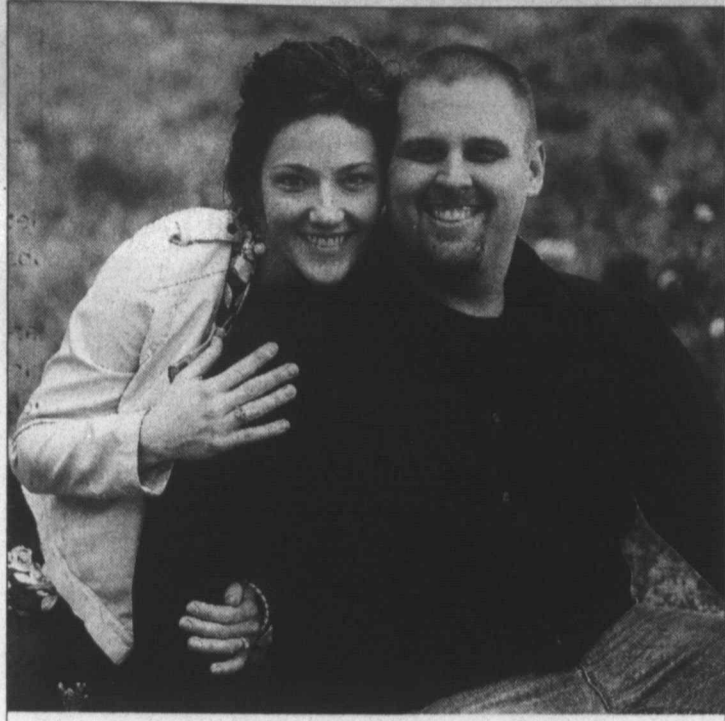
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CALLIE ANN BOTKIN and AARON ALAN LEWIS

Couple announces engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Botkin, of Tahoka, announce the engagement of their daughter, Callie Ann Botkin, to Aaron Alan Lewis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Lewis of Kerrville.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Texas Tech University with a Bachelor of Science degree in nutrition and a teaching certification in Family and Consumer Sciences. She is the granddaughter of Mary Ann and the late Don Cowan and Martha and Finis Botkin.

The future bride-groom received his Bachelor of Science degree in restaurant, hotel and institutional management from Texas Tech University in May and is currently employed with HEB Grocers in San Antonio. He is the grandson of Martha and the late Luther Joe Holden and Gertrude and the late Oliver Lewis.

The couple will be married on September 7, at the Fulford Barn in Brownfield.

Awards party set at city-county library Friday afternoon

The City-County Library in Tahoka is hosting an end-of-program awards party at 3 p.m. Friday, for all youth involved in the library's Summer Reading program.

"We've had a great Summer Reading Program this year, now let's finish off with a bang at our awards party! There will be story time and refreshments and we'll move the last pieces on our game board," said Claudia Guin. "We will award lots of prizes (not just for reading) and someone will win a \$25 Barnes & Noble gift card," she added.

Children who still have books checked out are reminded to check the due dates, so that they are not late in returning them.

"You have until Aug. 15 to advance on the game board and win, so read, read, read!" encouraged Guin. "Time logs are due Aug. 15, and absolutely no prizes will be awarded after



Shower of blessings... "Let the Children Come" day care in Tahoka, was honored with a shower at the First United Methodist Church last Sunday afternoon. The shower was to help the day care replenish toys and other needs. The day care is located inside the church. Pictured here are Ashley Lopez and Beverly Zuniga, representing the day care.

Aug. 16," she added. For more information, contact the library at 561-4050.

August PHOTO THEME: "Fun in the Sun"

Submit your photos to: LynnCoNews@poka.com Sept. theme: "Life in the Fast Lane" (due Sept. 1) Oct. theme: "Nap Time" (due Oct. 1)



Beach baby ... Little Kinley Filley, daughter of Reed and Rebekah Filley of Tahoka, was having fun in the sun playing in the sand on a recent trip to Surfside Beach, Texas.

Tahoka ISD Board to consider 3.5-cent tax increase, to \$1.17

Tahoka Independent School District Board of Trustees will hold a public meeting at 7 p.m. August 29 to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. The proposed tax rate under consideration is \$1.17, which is a 3.5-cent increase from the previous year's rate of \$1.13490.

The proposed rate is for Maintenance and Operations (M&O) only, as the school district has no bonded indebtedness to add an Interest & Sinking (I&S) rate. The rate to maintain the same level of

M&O revenue is calculated at \$1,456,360. The proposed \$1.17 rate is the rollback rate, which is the highest rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election.

Total appraised value of all property in the district decreased by \$5,786,054, from \$170,385,847 last year to property valuations of \$164,599,793 for the current year. Taxes due on an average residence valued at \$47,884 last year (increased to \$51,057 this year) in the Tahoka school district would increase by approximately \$48.65 at the proposed rate of \$1.17. See more information in TISD's "Notice of Public Meeting to Discuss Budget and Proposed Tax Rate" in this edition of *The News*.

Neugebauer adds assistant for agriculture, health care issues

Congressman Randy Neugebauer (R-Tx) announces the addition of Coleman Garrison to his Washington, DC staff. Garrison will serve as Neugebauer's Legislative Assistant on a range of issues including agriculture and health care.

"I'm glad to have Coleman on our team," Neugebauer said. "He's joining us while agriculture and health care are both hot-button issues, and I know he'll be a great advocate for the people of West Texas and Big Country."

Garrison is originally from Frisco, and studied Political Science and History at Texas Tech. Previously, he served as a legislative assistant for Congresswoman Sandy Adams (R-FL). He began his career with Congressman Michael Burgess of Denton.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Tahoka Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 7:00 p.m. on August 29, 2013 in the board room of the Harvick Education Building, 2129 Main St., Tahoka, Texas. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

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

Maintenance Tax	\$1.17 / \$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax	\$0.0000 / \$100 (Proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget			
The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:			
Maintenance and operations	4.94 % increase	or	0.00 % (decrease)
Debt service	0.00 % increase	or	0.00 % (decrease)
Total expenditures	4.94 % increase	or	0.00 % (decrease)

Total Appraised Value and total Taxable Value (as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)		
	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$ 170,385,847.00	\$164,599,793.00
Total appraised value** of new property**	\$ 1,092,980.00	\$ 1,453,430.00
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$ 132,105,317.00	\$ 127,176,443.00
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$ 1,092,980.00	\$ 1,453,430.00

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.
 ** "New property" is defined by Section 26.01(17), Tax Code.
 *** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

Bonded Indebtedness	
Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness*	\$ 0.00

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates					
	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$ 1.134900	\$ 0.00 *	\$ 1.134900	\$ 2,727.00	\$ 7,862.00
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$ 1.45636	\$ 0.00*	\$ 1.45636	\$ 3,277.00	\$ 7,879.00
Proposed Rate	\$ 1.17	\$ 0.00*	\$ 1.17	\$ 2,664.00	\$ 7,879.00

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence		
	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 47,884.00	\$ 51,057.00
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 32,884.00	\$ 36,057.00
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 1.13/100	\$ 1.17/100
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 373.21	\$ 421.86
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes	\$	\$ 48.65

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

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.17. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.17.

Fund Balances	
The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:	
Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$ 2,399,140.00
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$ 0.00

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All 4-year-olds may be enrolled in TISD Pre-K program

Officials at Tahoka Independent School District have announced that TISD will have three full time pre-kindergarten teachers this year, to accommodate all 4-year-old children in the school district.

The rules have changed this year, allowing all 4-year-olds to be eligible for enrollment, and not limited to qualification guidelines such as income or other criteria.

"We would encourage anyone that has a four year old child, and would like to enroll them in school this year, to stop by Tahoka Elementary School office and discuss the enrollment procedures. The child is eligible for enrollment in free

pre-kindergarten if he or she is at least four years of age by September 1, 2013," said Assistant Superintendent Jenni McLelland.

Parents may enroll children now, by calling Tahoka Elementary at 561-4350. Students should be enrolled before school begins on Aug. 26.

Pre-kindergarten classes prepare students to be ready for kindergarten, and to have better reading and writing skills.

Children who take pre-K classes generally perform better in grades K-12 and have a greater potential for better social skills, behavior and conduct.

"A high quality pre-kindergarten prepares the students for kindergarten and beyond by teaching the important skills needed for academic and social success," noted McLelland.

School Starts Aug. 26th

for Tahoka ISD students

Where in the world is The Lynn County News?



LCN is back at The Alamo ... The Alamo, a historical site for Texans, is apparently a popular destination, as this is the second Alamo photo sent in by LCN readers this summer. Richard Calvillo says, "I was in San Antonio the week of August 9 on a business trip and was reading the Lynn County News in front of The Alamo!"

TISD sets Open House, orientations

Tahoka ISD is hosting a district wide Open House next Tuesday, August 20, from 5:30-8 p.m., with orientations scheduled at different times throughout the evening. Middle School 6th grade orientation begins at 5:30 p.m. in the auditorium. A "dual credit" meeting for parents and students will be held at 6 p.m. in the high school library for all students enrolled in dual credit courses. Freshman orientation begins at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium.

Hot dogs will be served to students and parents, compliments of Atmos Energy.

"We strongly encourage all students and parents of TISD to participate in this year's open house. Students will be receiving school schedules, locker numbers, parking permits, and meeting their teachers. Students will also be receiving important information for the first day of school," said a TISD representative.

"Meet the Bulldogs" starts at 8:00 p.m. at the football field, with all students and parents invited to attend.

Back-to-School Fling & Sing set Aug. 22

Tahoka Area Chamber of Commerce (TACC) will host a Back-to-School Summer Fling & Sing event for the community at the Tahoka City Pool from 5-8 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 22. The three-hour event is free and open to all, and will feature a beach party theme with free swimming, hot dogs and drinks, and a karaoke sing along to kick up the fun.

"We want to have a fun end-of-summer event for students, teachers, families, and people of all ages to enjoy before students return to school on Aug. 26," explained James Craig, TACC Board President. "It's going to be fun, and we invite everyone to come join us at the city pool," he added.

Tahoka ISD Policy for Free and Reduced-Price Meals

Tahoka ISD announced its policy today for providing free and reduced-price meals for children served under the attached current income eligibility guidelines. Each school/site or the central office has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by anyone on request.

Starting on August 20, 2013 Tahoka ISD will begin mailing letters to the households of the children in the district about eligibility benefits and any actions households need to take to apply for these benefits. Applications also are available at the Harvick Educational Building 2129 N. Main in Tahoka or any of the three school campuses.

Criteria for Free and Reduced-Price Meal Benefits

The following criteria will be used to determine a child's eligibility for free or reduced-price meal benefits:

1. Household income that is at or below the income eligibility levels
- Categorical or Automatic Eligibility
2. Household receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF); or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)
- Program Participant
3. Child's status as a foster child, homeless, runaway, migrant, or displaced by a declared disaster
4. Child's enrollment in Head Start or Even Start

Income Eligibility
For those households that qualify for free or reduced-price meals based on income, an adult in the household must fill out free and reduced-price meal application and return it to Karen Johnston at the Harvick Educational Building 2129 N. Main Tahoka, Texas. Those individu-

als filling out the application will need to provide the following information:

1. Names of all household members
2. Amount, frequency, and source of current income for each household member
3. Last 4 digits of the Social Security number of the adult household member who signs the application or, if the adult does not have a social security number, check the box for "I do not have a Social Security number"
4. Signature of an adult household member attesting that the information provided is correct

Categorical or Program Eligibility

Tahoka ISD is working with local agencies to identify all children who are categorically and program eligible. Tahoka ISD will notify the households of these children that they do not need to complete an application. Any household that does not receive a letter and feels it should have should contact Karen Johnston at the Harvick Educational Building 2129 N. Main Tahoka, Texas (806) 561-4600.

Any household that wishes to decline benefits should contact Karen Johnston at the Harvick Educational Building 2129 N. Main Tahoka, Texas (806) 561-4600.

Applications may be submitted anytime during the school year. The information households provide on the application will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility. Applications may also be verified by the school officials at any time during the school year.

Determining Eligibility

Under the provisions of the free and reduced-price meal policy, Karen Johnston will review applications and determine eligibility. Households or guardians dissatisfied with the Reviewing

Official's eligibility determination may wish to discuss the decision with the Reviewing Official on an informal basis. Households wishing to make a formal appeal for a hearing on the decision may make a request either orally or in writing to Steve Bursleson, Superintendent PO Box 1230 Tahoka, Texas (806) 561-4105

Unexpected Circumstances

If a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size increases, the household should contact the school. Such changes may make the children of the household eligible for benefits if the household's income falls at or below the attached current income eligibility guidelines.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture prohibits discrimination against its customers, employees, and applicants for employment on the bases of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, gender identity, religion, reprisal, and where applicable, political beliefs, marital status, familial or parental status, sexual orientation, or all or part of an individual's income is derived from any public assistance program, or protected genetic information in employment or in any program or activity conducted or funded by the Department. (Not all prohibited bases will apply to all programs and/or employment activities.) If you wish to file a Civil Rights program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, found online at http://www.asc.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html, or at any USDA office, or call (866) 632-9992 to request the form. You may also write a letter containing all of the information requested in the form. Send your completed complaint form or letter to us by mail at U.S. Department of Agriculture, Director, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-9410, by fax (202) 690-7442 or email at program.intake@usda.gov. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339; or (800) 845-6136 (Spanish). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

TISD Board report ...

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cally been allowed to ride the bus, but the policy must be approved annually, school officials noted.

The fund balance policy was approved as required by TASB Local Policy (CDA). Texas Association of School Board Policy Local (EIA) had minor change in the grade levels that would now be affected by the policy, changed from grades 7-12 to grades 3-12.

Newly appointed trustee Sharla Askew was appointed to serve as the Board's voting delegate for the Texas Association of School Boards Convention.

Board members present at the meeting included Board President Frank McLelland, Jim Bingham, Cathy Box, Sharla Askew and Brenda Dotson. Trustees Abraham Vega and Scott Dimak were absent.

The first day of school will be Monday, August 26th. The next board meeting will be held on Thursday, August 29.

Four County SSA provides services for ages birth-21

Four County SSA (Shared Services Arrangement) Cooperative, made up of the following ISD's, Brownfield, Denver City, Loop, New Home, O'Donnell, Plains, Seagraves, Tahoka and Wellman-Union, offers comprehensive special education services to eligible students ages three through 21 years and to children from birth through the age of 21, who have 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.

Public school services include screening in areas of suspected disabilities, such as vision, hearing, motor skills, speech, language, and general development. Evaluations in the schools are provided for several areas of suspected disabilities, including learning disabilities, speech and language development, physical impairments, vision or hearing problems, intellectual disability, emotional disturbances, autism/pervasive developmental disorders, health impairments, or traumatic brain injuries.

A free appropriate, public education with a full continuum of services is available. For more information concerning eligibility criteria and referral procedures, contact the principal or counselor of your local school or call the Four County SSA at 806-637-8448.

Senior Citizen's MENU

August 19-23

Monday: Spaghetti w/ meatballs, spinach, roll, honeydew melon

Tuesday: Liver & onions, scalloped potatoes, carrots, coleslaw, roll, white cake w/ tropical fruit mix

Wednesday: Chicken tenders, mashed potatoes, mixed squash, roll, fruit cup

Thursday: Wisconsin veal cutlet, cabbage & noodles, peas, breadstick, diet pumpkin custard

Friday: Beef taco bake, Spanish rice, cauliflower, salad, country apple crisp

Mark your calendars...

* Chamber of Commerce 3on3 basketball tournament on September 7 to benefit the Center!

You are cordially invited to a Reception honoring

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Volunteers... This group of volunteers showed up to help load boxes last Thursday for the Mobile Food Pantry, a collaborative outreach effort between the Church of Christ and the South Plains Food Bank. Pictured here from left are Ray Box, John Roberts, Jack and Kelley Scott, Yolanda Aleman, Jim and Nikki Strickland, Barbara Morton Miller, Jerry Webster, Mary Aguerro, Jan Roberts and Cathy Box. For more information about this ministry, contact the Tahoka Church of Christ at 561-4060.

County approves wind project agreement

by JUANELL JONES

Lynn County Commissioners Monday approved an amendment to a tax abatement agreement on a wind energy project that is expected to begin construction soon. The amendment was to an agreement already reached between Lynn County and Wind-Tex (Steve DeWolf) but Wind-Tex has sold the project to Starwood, and commissioners approved the same agreement with Starwood. DeWolf and Rich Weiss, representing Starwood, were present at the meeting.

Basically, the tax abatement agreement is the same as with other wind energy projects in the county, with the county to be paid a minimum of \$60,000 per

year for 10 years, at which time the project will become taxable at its current value. Initially, the project was for a 377-megawatt wind farm, but Starwood is planning to construct only a 200-megawatt project in their first phase, with a second phase planned to follow with the remaining 177 megawatts.

Only a small portion of the first phase — 10 megawatts — will be in Lynn County's southern portion, with the other 190 turbines in adjoining Borden County. If the second phase is constructed, the additional wind turbines are planned within Lynn County. The county's tax abatement agreement is \$1000 per megawatt per year for 10 years, with a minimum of \$60,000 per

year, so the county is actually coming out ahead on the first phase with only 10 megawatts within county borders.

"Our company has built a lot of power plants around the country — solar and wood-powered — but this is our first wind energy project," Weiss told commissioners. "We really like these types of projects, where there are friendly landowners and friendly counties that want to work with us. We will try to be good neighbors and good corporate citizens," he added. Company headquarters are in Connecticut. Weiss said.

"We've entered this transaction with the intent to do phase two," he explained. "We've taken the biggest bite we could to

City of New Home proposes 2-cent property tax hike

Property tax rates in New Home will likely increase by 2-cents for 2013, according to information released this week in a notice by the City of New Home.

New Home City Council members are proposing a tax rate of 43-cents (0.431083) for 2013, which is a slightly less than 2-cents higher than the current tax rate of 41.3923-cents. The proposed tax rate would increase total taxes in City of New Home by 8 percent.

The city council set a public hearing at 7 p.m. on Aug. 22 at New Home City Hall, to hear input on the proposal.

get this project going, and then tackle the next phase early next year," he said.

In other business, commissioners tabled any action regarding a \$5 fee increase for the county clerk's record management and preservation fund, which was approved in recent state legislation (HB 1513). Currently the fee is \$5 for recording any documents in the county clerk's office, and the legislative action would increase the fee to \$10 per document. County Clerk Susan Tipton told commissioners that the fee could be implemented in all Texas counties on Sept. 1, and that funds collected through the fees could only be used for preserving and managing such records.

Several budget amendments were approved in various offices. Budget talks continued in the meeting, as commissioners continue to work with all county officials to prepare the county's new fiscal year's budget.

County Judge H.G. Franklin led the meeting, with all four commissioners present including Don Blair, Keith Wied, Mike Braddock and Danny Martin, as well other county officials.

August PHOTO THEME: "Fun in the Sun"

Submit your photos to: LynnCoNews@poka.com

Sept. theme: "Life in the Fast Lane" (due Sept. 1)
Oct. theme: "Nap Time" (due Oct. 1)



Grandkids at Joyland ... Randy and Angie Hall of Tahoka enjoyed taking their grandsons to Joyland in Lubbock when they came to visit during the summer! Pictured left to right are Ethan Thompson, Gavin Thompson, Jaxon Hall and Tripp Hall.

Where in the world is The Lynn County News?



Vancouver ... Lynn County News reader Mark Robertson, of Dallas, took his Lynn County News all the way to Vancouver, Canada on a recent trip. That's approximately 2,000 miles from Tahoka.

2013 Property Tax Rates in CITY OF NEW HOME

The City of New Home will hold a meeting at 7:00 p.m. on August 22, 2013 at New Home City Hall, New Home, Texas to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for tax year 2013. The proposed tax rate is **0.431083** per \$100 of value.

The proposed tax rate would increase total taxes in CITY OF NEW HOME by 8%.

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The City of Wilson 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 8 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 22, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. at Wilson City Hall, 1601 10th Street, Wilson, Texas.**

The second public hearing will be held on **August 26, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. at Wilson City Hall, 1601 10th Street, Wilson, Texas.**

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

FOR: HELEN STEPHENSON, OSCAR FOLLIS, CLYDE WILKE, PAT CATES, WELDON MENZER

AGAINST: NONE

PRESENT and not voting: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in City of Wilson last year was \$37,039. Based on last year's tax rate of \$0.7155440 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was \$265.03.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in City of Wilson this year is \$37,759. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of \$0.734137 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$277.20.

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$0.792863 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$299.37.



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





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City of Wilson proposes 8-cent property tax hike

Property tax rates in the City of Wilson will likely increase by 8-cents for 2013, according to information released this week in a notice by the City of Wilson.

Wilson City Council members are proposing a tax rate of 79-cents (0.792863) for 2013, which is 8-cents higher than the current tax rate of 71-cents (0.715544). The proposed tax rate is the rollback rate, which is the highest rate the city could set without triggering an election. More information on the tax increase is printed in a "Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase" in this issue.

The city council has set two public hearings for citizen input

on the proposal. The first hearing is set for 10 a.m. Aug. 22 at Wilson City Hall, and the second hearing is at 10 a.m. Aug. 26 at the same location.

ATTENTION READERS: We want YOUR photos!

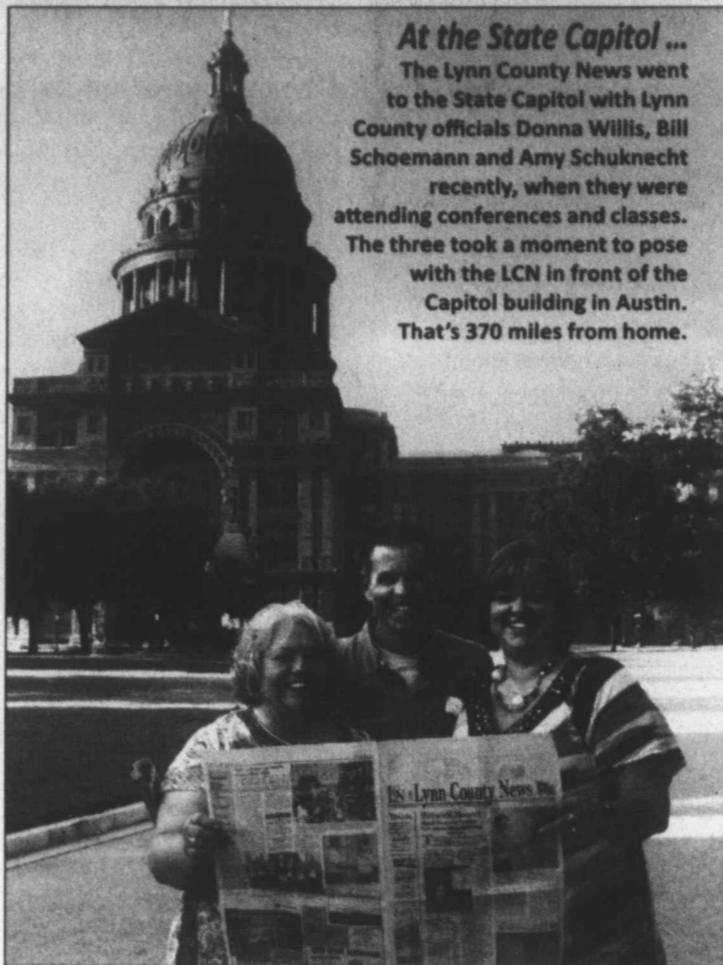
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■ SEPTEMBER ... (DUE SEPT 1) "Life in the Fast Lane"

Upcoming Scrimmages for the Tahoka Bulldogs:

Friday, Aug. 16: JV and Varsity will scrimmage at Seagraves beginning at 6 pm.
Thursday, Aug. 22: JV and Varsity will scrimmage against Stanton, here, beginning at 6 pm.

Where in the world is The Lynn County News?



At the State Capitol ... The Lynn County News went to the State Capitol with Lynn County officials Donna Willis, Bill Schoemann and Amy Schuknecht recently, when they were attending conferences and classes. The three took a moment to pose with the LCN in front of the Capitol building in Austin. That's 370 miles from home.

'Step Up and Scale Down' classes to be offered here in September

Step Up & Scale Down is a 12-week educational program based on the USDA 2010 Dietary Guidelines, which are intended to help Americans choose a healthful eating plan within their calorie requirements to achieve and maintain a healthy weight. The Dietary Guidelines provide sound scientific information about how proper dietary habits can promote health and reduce risk for major chronic diseases. Lynn County AgriLife Extension office will begin the program in September.

The program consists of weekly lessons to help you manage your weight, a weekly weight check-in, a weekly challenge to help you "stay the course;" and

Dinner Tonight! healthy recipes, and incentives.

All classes will be held at the Lynn County Extension Office, 1601 Ave J. The first class will be held on Monday, September 9. The following classes will be Sept. 16 and 23; Oct. 14, 21 and 29; Nov. 4, 11 and 18; and Dec. 2, 9 and 16. Registration and weigh-in begins at 6:00 p.m. Cost is \$40 for the 12-week program. Make checks payable to: Lynn County FCS Fund, and send it along with your name, address, and phone number to: Lynn County Extension Office, P.O. Box 669, Tahoka, Tx 79373. Sign up by Friday, Aug. 30.

For information, call Wendy Scott at 806-777-9934.

Family violence charge filed here

Tahoka Police last week arrested a Tahoka teenage male, who was jailed on a charge of assault/family violence after he apparently struck his younger sister.

Eleven persons were jailed last week, leaving the jail population at 21 early this week, with one of those held for Andrews County. Three were arrested for public intoxication and two were jailed for assault causing bodily injury in family violence

cases. Other charges bringing arrests were:

Forgery with intent to defraud, applications to revoke probations on failure to appear, possession of a controlled substance and theft over \$1,500, failure to appear on driving while license invalid with previous conviction, no drivers license and two persons on bond surrender on burglary of a vehicle.

LEGAL NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF NONDISCRIMINATION IN CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Tahoka Independent School District (TISD) offers career and technology education programs in Business Technology, Family, Career and Community Leaders of America, and Agriculture. Admissions to these programs is based on attendance, attitude, and career goals.

It is the policy of TISD 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.

It is the policy of TISD 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.

TISD will take steps to ensure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in all educational and vocational programs.

For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title IX Coordinator, Mr. Steve Burleson at P.O. Box 1230, Tahoka, TX 79373 (806)561-4105 and the Section 504 Coordinator, Mr. Steve Burleson, P.O. Box 1230, Tahoka, TX 79373, (806)561-4105.

FORMA DE MUESTRA

Tahoka Independent School District (TISD) ofrece programas vocacionales en Business Technology, Family, Career and Community Leaders of America, y agricultura. La admisión a estos programas, se basa en asistencia, actitud, y carrera goals.

Es norma de TISD no discriminar por motivos de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo, impedimento, en sus programas, servicios o actividades vocacionales, tal como lo requieren el Título VI de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964, según enmienda; el Título IX de las Enmiendas en la Educación de 1972, y la Sección 504 de la Ley de Rehabilitación de 1973, según enmienda.

Es norma de TISD no discriminar por motivos de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo, impedimento o edad, en sus procedimientos de empleo, tal como lo requieren el Título VI de las Enmiendas en la Educación, de 1972, la Ley de Discriminación por Edad, de 1975, según enmienda, y la Sección 504 de la Ley de Rehabilitación de 1973, según enmienda.

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

Para informacion sobre sus derechos o procedimientos para quejas, comuniquese con el Coordinador del Título IX, Mr. Steve Burleson, P.O. Box 1230, Tahoka, TX 79373, (806)561-4105 o el Coordinador de la Sección 504, Señor Steve Burleson, P.O. Box 1230, Tahoka, TX 79373, (806)561-4105.

Football Ticket Sale

Tahoka Bulldogs Reserved Seat

Football tickets for the 2013 season are currently on sale at the School Business Office (Harvick Educational Building).

Last year's season ticket holders have an option on the same tickets again this year. They may pick up these tickets any time until August 29, at which time those seats will be made available to the public.

Other reserved seats are available now. BUY YOUR TICKETS TODAY!

The general adult admission price for all games will be \$3.00. Reserved seat tickets for any single game will be \$5.00.

Sept. 6 - Ralls	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 20 - Post	7:30 p.m.
HOMECOMING	
Oct. 4 - Anson	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 18 - Sundown	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 8 - Lockney	7:30 p.m.
SENIOR NIGHT	

5 HOME GAMES SEASON TICKET \$20⁰⁰

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

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The **City of Tahoka** 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 3 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 22, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. at Tahoka City Hall, 1612 Lockwood, Tahoka, Texas.**

The second public hearing will be held on **August 27, 2013 at 5:00 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, RUDY FUENTES, RONNY JOLLY, RAY D. BOX
AGAINST: NONE
PRESENT and not voting: NONE
ABSENT: JEFF MARTIN

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in **City of Tahoka** last year was \$46,070. 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 \$344.16.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in **City of Tahoka** this year is \$49,163. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of \$0.731231 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$359.49.

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 \$367.26.

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

Tahoka Pre-K is Open to ALL 4-YEAR-OLDS!

Tahoka ISD would like to announce that we have three full time pre-kindergarten teachers this year. We would encourage anyone that has a four year old child, and would like to enroll them in school this year, to stop by Tahoka Elementary School office and discuss the enrollment procedures. The child is eligible for enrollment in free pre-kindergarten if he or she is at least four years of age by September 1, 2013.

Kids who go to Pre-K:

- Are more prepared for kindergarten
- Have better reading and writing skills
- Do better in grades K - 12
- Have better social skills, behavior and conduct
- Have greater success in life

A high quality pre-kindergarten prepares the students for kindergarten and beyond by teaching the important skills needed for academic and social success.

Call now to enroll!

Tahoka Elementary: 561-4350

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The Lynn County currently has a position of JAILER. The position will be Job Description: This is a fulltime position that includes care of inmates. Job Requirements: Education, training, Applicant must have a school diploma or GED. Other duties include: Courtroom; monitor prisoners; escort prisoners to and from the Detention facility; security checks with Transportation; and other individual from other corrections hearings, medical appointments. All assigner reports and documents. The nature of the element of danger, exertion and the a sions under stress according to depar procedures and in for personal danger: be able to comm solve problems, w and be able to act as part of a team stressful condition. For more info Chief Deputy at 806-

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Pesticide applicator license testing set

Private Pesticide Applicator License training and testing will be held Friday, Aug. 23 at The Center For Housing & Community Development (1400 Ave. K) in Tahoka. Training for the license will begin at 8 am. Testing will begin at 1 pm. Cost is \$50 per person.

Any producer who purchases and utilizes any pesticide must have a valid Private Pesticide Applicator's license.

All must register by Tuesday, August 20 by calling 806/561-4562.

Hunter education course set here

A hunter education class has been scheduled for August 23 and 24 and will be held at the Lyntegar Electric Co-Op main office, according to Drew Spencer, Lynn and Garza Counties Game Warden and Hunter Education Instructor. Spencer adds that the class on Friday will be from 6-9pm and the Saturday portion will run from 9am until 5pm, with students allowed an hour and a half lunch break. Students will be required to attend class both days. Spencer asks that all students get to class a little before 6pm on Friday so that registration doesn't take up too much class time.

According to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, if you were born on or after September 2, 1971, and you are; under 9 years of age, you must be accompanied, or; age 9 through 16, you must successfully complete a hunter education course, or you must be accompanied, or; age 17 and over, you must successfully complete a hunter education course; or purchase a "Hunter Education Deferral," and you must be accompanied.

Spencer points out that "accompanied" means: by a person who is at least 17, who is licensed to hunt in Texas, who has passed hunter education, or is exempt (born before September 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 Spencer.

"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," Spencer added. "I'm hoping for a good student turnout, as I haven't taught a hunter education class in Tahoka either of the past two years. Also, with dove season opening at the end of the following week, there should be a high demand for the course."

The minimum age for certification is 9 years and cost is \$15. Students 9 years of age or older successfully completing the course will be issued a "Temporary Student Card" at the end of the course. Students will then receive an original "Hunter Education Certificate" from Texas parks and Wildlife after processing the paperwork. Those less than 9 years of age will receive a "Certificate of Attendance," but must take the course again after turning 9 for proper certification.

To register for the course, please contact Drew Spencer at (806) 773-4179. Additional hunter education information can be found at the following website: <http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/outdoor-learning/hunter-education>.

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Back to School Splash...The Tahoka Church of Christ fed 150 last Wednesday evening at their annual "Back to School Splash" and gave away 100 backpacks full of much needed school supplies. Pictured here are volunteers that gave out bags of school supplies to children who attended the splash. The first day of school is August 26.

Worker protection standard training set for August 23

A Worker Protection Standard training for agricultural workers will be held Friday, Aug. 23 at 10 am at The Center for Housing & Community Development, 1400 Ave. K, Tahoka.

Any agricultural employee who works directly with any type of pesticide, which includes, herbicides, insecticides, fungicides, etc. must have a Worker Protection Standard Handler card. The Worker Protection Standard is a federal law that has been in effect since 1995.

Texas AgriLife Extension Service and Texas Department of Agriculture will conduct the training. An English version will begin at 10 am and a Spanish version will begin at 11 am. For more information, call 806/561-4562.



Food and fun...Pictured here is Jan Roberts and Jim Strickland serving hot dogs at the annual "Back to School Splash" party held at the Tahoka Pool. Tahoka Church of Christ gave out school supplies to children that attended the event.

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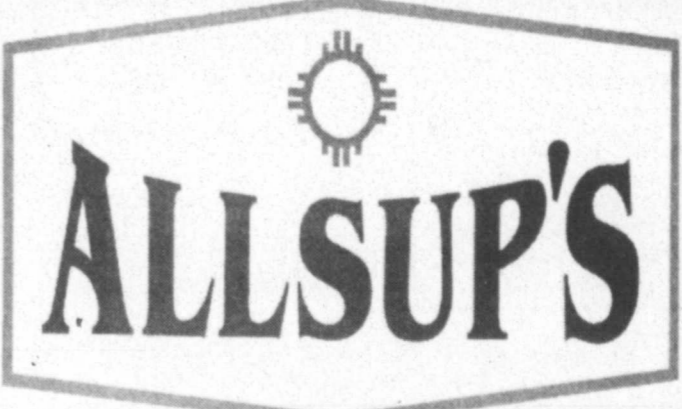
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