



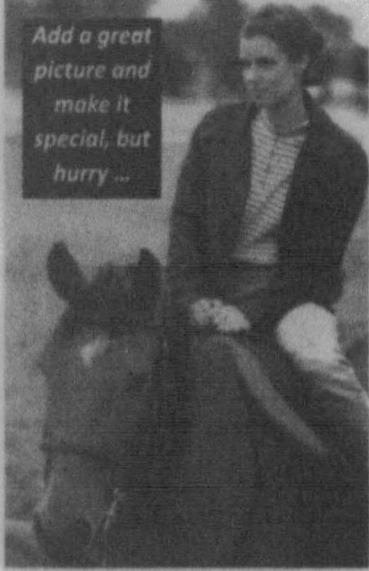
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**Parents and Grandparents:**  
*Congratulate your  
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with an ad in our  
graduation issue!

Add a great  
picture and  
make it  
special, but  
hurry...



### Deadline is May 18

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## 'Did you know' facts...

- Did you know each time you see a full moon you always see the same side
- Did you know stewardesses is the longest word that is typed with only the left hand
- Did you know honey is the only natural food which never spoils
- Did you know M&M's chocolate stands for the initials of its inventors Mars and Murrie
- Did you know that you burn more calories eating celery than it contains (the more you eat the thinner you become)

## What's Outside

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
May 3	68	41	
May 4	76	46	
May 5	83	48	
May 6	88	54	
May 7	89	58	
May 8	93	60	
May 9	89	55	

(Precipitation/temps measured as of 8 a.m. on date reported, for the previous 24-hr period)

Total Precip for Jan:	0.23"
Total Precip for Feb:	0.12"
Total Precip for Mar:	0.39"
Total Precip for Apr:	1.08"
Total Precip for May:	0.01"
Total Precip. for 2016:	1.83"

## Voters approve Tahoka ISD Bond and mark choices in other elections

Lynn County voters made choices in six elections held in the county on Saturday, May 7, approving a \$9 million bond for Tahoka Independent School District by a margin of 58 percent, with 273 voting in favor of the bond, and 194 voting against.

TISD's \$9 million bond is for funds for asbestos abatement and demolition of the existing three-story middle school building and auditorium, building a new auditorium and one-story middle school, and for improvements to the north elementary campus. The bond debt will add an additional 34.5-cents per \$100 of property valuation on the Tahoka ISD property taxes.

Tahoka ISD also held elections for three trustees, in Precincts 1, 2 and 5. In Precinct 5, Doug Green received 23 votes to claim the seat, Brenda Martinez Dotson had 22, Scottie Olivan had 9 and Jann Ford had 1 vote. Scott Dimak, uncontested in Precinct 1, had 53 votes; and Jon Luna, uncontested in Precinct 2, had 43 votes. The TISD Board of Trustees were scheduled to canvass election results in a meeting at 9 a.m. Wednesday. There is a possibility that, due to such a close race in Precinct 5, a recount could be called. A candidate has up to two days after canvassing election results to file a re-

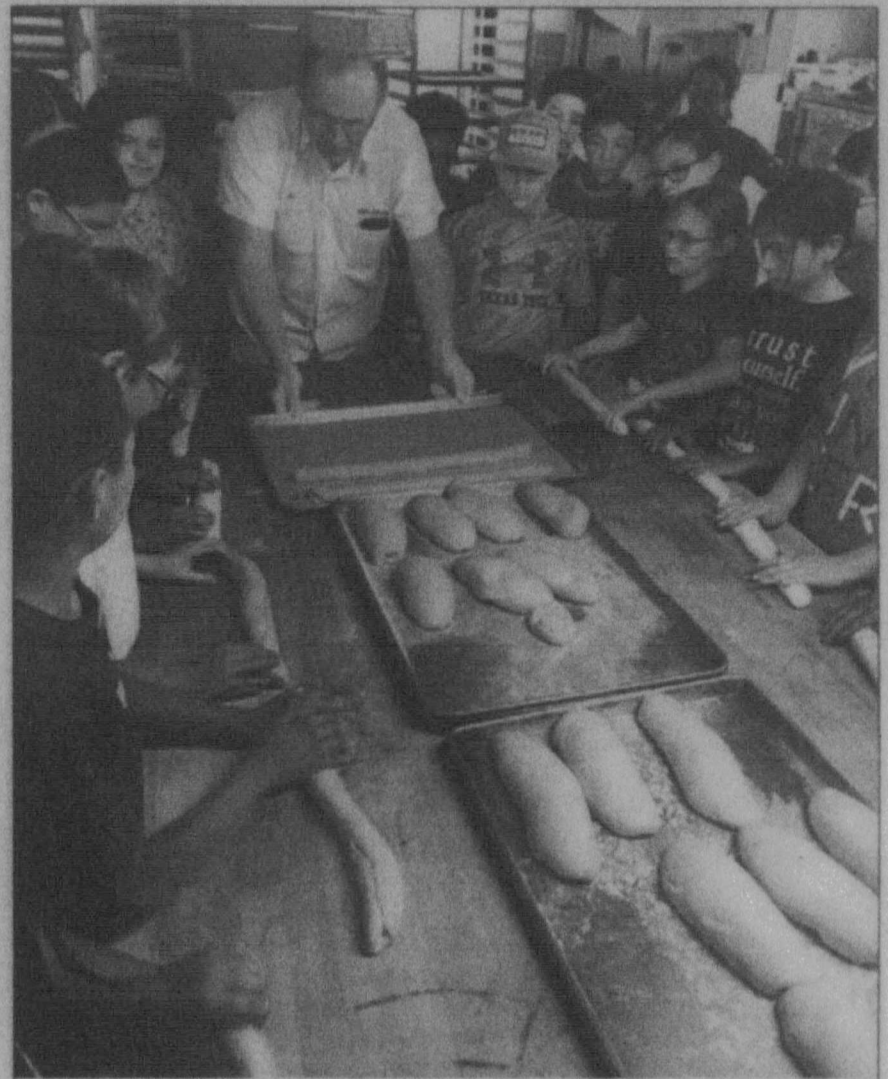
quest for a recount, according to TISD Supt. Dr. George McFarland.

Five candidates were on the ballot for two seats on the Lynn County Hospital District Board of Directors. Mary Gayle Raindl led the ticket with 416 votes to claim one seat, and incumbent Manuel DeLeon claimed the other seat, with 255 votes. Also on the ballot were Della Swartz, 243; Nancy Guilliams, 205; and Dolores Martinez, 91.

In the Tahoka City Council election, Ronny Jolly won the District 2 seat with 26 votes over incumbent Johnny Rosas, who had 17 votes.

In a close race for O'Donnell Mayor, incumbent Scott Martinez had 108 votes to win another term as mayor, and candidate Jessie Perez had 101 votes. In the O'Donnell City Council election for three council seats, Toby Mires led the ticket with 187 votes, John David Velasquez had 176, and Kimberly Parker had 139 votes to claim the three seats. Raymund Zepeda had 102 votes.

Wilson ISD had five candidates vying for three seats on the Board of Trustees. Elected were Bonnie Schwertner with 117 votes, Les Walker with 75, and Tracy Kendrick with 40 votes. Also running were Kim Steen, 27 votes, and Austin Castillo, 22.



**Making bread...** Tahoka Elementary fifth grade students and teacher Judy Sanders enjoyed a field trip to Tahoka Donuts Monday morning, where owner Al Garrett showed them how to make bread. The students also toured the Tahoka Pioneer Museum and visited the City/County Library.

## Property appraisal notices sent ...

# Residential values increase, as ag values generally are lowered

Property owners in Lynn County received notices of appraised value recently, and while owners of irrigated agricultural land will generally see no increase in ag values, as well as a decrease in dryland values and mineral values, it is offset by an increase in many residential values, according to information this week from Lynn County Appraisal District.

LCAD mailed appraisal notices on Friday, May 6 to all property owners in the county. The notice is not a tax bill, but an estimate of taxes based on current tax rates. Chief Appraiser Marquita Scott said. The actual tax statements will be mailed after the taxing units set their tax rates later this year.

Scott said that the LCAD office has received some complaints this week from property owners that the appraisal notices were "withheld" until after the May 7 bond election for TISD, but

notices are generally mailed out at the end of the first week of May, without regard to when elections are held.

"The company that appraises our minerals in the county set our schedule in January, as they appraise values all over the state. They are also the company that sends us the printed appraisal notices, which our office received late in the afternoon of May 3. Those notices were then reviewed and prepared for mailing, and sent out on May 6, which is in compliance with the 30-day requirement for protest deadlines," she said.

Scott said that the biggest change this year was in residential values, which increased in several classifications based on analysis of properties sold in the county and other factors.

"Depending on which classification your residence is classified, you may see an increase in appraisal value whether or not you actually made any improve-

ments to your property," she said.

"The tax appraisal notices contain important information, and owners should review all notices received," said Scott. "Under state law, appraisal districts are required to notify property owners about changes in their property's value."

To provide owners the opportunity to review ownership, property locations, exemptions and agricultural use, Lynn County Appraisal District mails a notice for all property. The notice includes instructions on how and when to file a protest, a protest form and the state comptroller's "Property Taxpayer Remedies." The deadline for filing a protest is June 6.

"This is the opportunity for property owners to address issues in a timely manner," said Scott. Property owners are encouraged to review their notice and act accordingly. The appraisal

district staff will assist property owners with their questions, and are available for an informal hearing prior to the Appraisal Review Board hearing. Property owners who disagree with the appraised value of their property, the exemptions or any other action by the appraisal district, have the right to appeal to the Appraisal Review Board. The board is an independent panel of residents responsible for hearing and settling property owner protests.

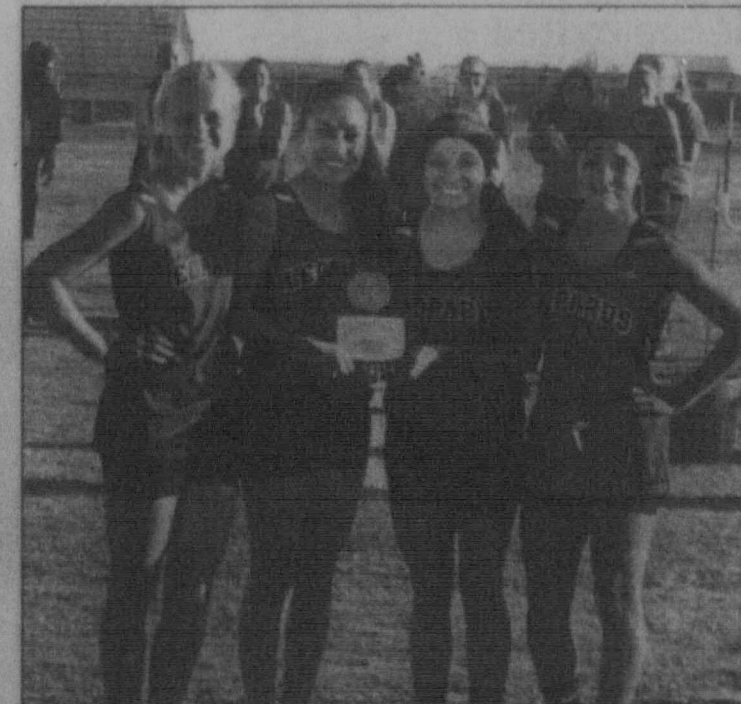
Scott encourages people protesting appraisals to meet with the appraisers in preparation for their hearing, for a review of the property and an explanation as to how the value was determined.

Anyone who has questions about their values should contact LCAD at 561-5477 (or see their advertisement in this issue, headed "Lynn County Appraisal District Provides Public Information and Assistance").

## State-bound ... New Home athletes win at Regionals

New Home High School athletes had a very good day at the Class A Regional Track Meet in Levelland on April 29-30.

Jasmine Placencia won the Regional Championship in the High Jump, and advances to the State Meet. Jacie Fowler won the Regional Championship in the Pole Vault to advance to State. The 800m relay team won 2nd place and also qualified for the State Track Meet, May 12-14. The relay team is comprised of Katherine Barrington, Jasmine Placencia, Chelsi Rodriguez and D'Audree Dominguez (pictured here at the district meet). In the 800m relay at regionals, Jacie Fowler ran for Chelsi Rodriguez who went down with an injury during the 400m relay.



800m Relay Team 2nd place: Katherine Barrington, Jasmine Placencia, Chelsi Rodriguez and D'Audree Dominguez

Jacie Fowler  
Pole Vault  
Regional Champion

Jasmine Placencia  
High Jump  
Regional Champion



Words of Inspiration:

"My mission in life is not merely to survive, but to thrive; and to do so with some passion, some compassion, some humor, and some style."

- MARY ANGELOU

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May is **MOTORCYCLE Awareness Month**  
"Share the Road" and look twice!



**Lemonade 10¢**

Tahoka Elementary Pre-K will be selling **Lemonade for 10¢ a cup** **Friday, May 13 • 12:30-2:00 PM** on the Pre-K Playground!

Pre-K students are learning about money - so please, come help them count their pennies and enjoy a cup of lemonade!

**Obituaries**



**Lenore Wells**

Lenore Hattie Bell Krause Wells, 89, of Slaton, formerly of Wilson, passed away Thursday, May 5, 2016. Funeral services were held at 1:00 p.m., Monday, May 9, 2016 at the First Baptist Church, 1403 13th Street, Wilson, with Billy Palmer officiating. Graveside services were held in Green Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Englands Funeral Service of Slaton.

Lenore was born on May 16, 1926, the daughter of Alfred August Krause and Elsa Frank Krause in Wilson. She was baptized on April 10, 1927 by Pastor Richter at Philadelphia Lutheran Church in Swiss Alp, and confirmed May 26, 1940 by Pastor Herber at St John's Lutheran Church in Wilson. Lenore graduated from Wilson High School May 1943 then

graduated from Draughon's Business College in Lubbock. Lenore married Charles Edward "Cotton" Wells on January 8, 1949 in Lubbock by Minister McCarty. Together, she and Cotton made their first home in Lubbock where she worked for Kennedy-Edwards Company. Several years later they moved to Muleshoe where Lenore worked for H&R Block and cotton farmed. After retirement, Lenore and Cotton moved back to Wilson where they were members of the First Baptist Church in Wilson. She served faithfully at the church as their Financial Secretary for many years. Lenore particularly enjoyed taking care of her garden, flowers and yard.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 47 years Charles "Cotton" Wells, parents Alfred and Elsa Krause, and sister Verta Lee Krause Heselmeier Reeves.

Lenore is survived by nieces Jane Heselmeier Hammitt of Austin; Karen Beth Wells Knox and husband Jerry of Lubbock; Dianne Wells Brown and husband Ken of Tequesta, FL; Marsha Wells Hamlin and husband David of Lubbock; Brenda Wells of Lubbock; one nephew Lee Allan Heselmeier and wife Cindy of Giddings. Special thanks to Darlene Jones and Pat Cates for all their love and care given to Lenore, and a thank you to all the Library of Legacies staff members.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the First Baptist Church, 1403 13th Street, Wilson, TX 79381. (PAID)



**DONATIONS** to the Lynn County Hospital District EMS are always greatly appreciated. LCHD EMS, Box 1310, Tahoka, Tx

**Letters to the Editor**

**National Hospital Week**

A hospital is more than a place where people go to heal, it is part of the community that fosters health and represents hope. Accidents happen. Illnesses happen. There is one place that you can rely on in good times and bad - your community hospital.

May 8th-14th is National Hospital Week. This is a week to celebrate our people. We are extremely proud of each member of our staff and we recognize the important role they play in extending a sense of trust to our patients and our community. Lynn County Hospital is a place where people care about you. Not just as a patient, but as a neighbor.

Please help me recognize and thank our local healthcare team for a job well done.

Respectfully,  
**Jeff Barnhart, CEO**  
Lynn County Hospital District

**Thanks for supporting the TISD Bond**

I would like to offer a heartfelt thank you to the community of Tahoka for supporting the TISD bond this past week. As you know, much time and effort was expended envisioning a plan that is fiscally responsible and supports our vision of "students first", providing a safe environment in which all students can learn.

Special thanks to Dr. McFarland who made sure that the public cast an informed vote, making over 20 presentations, offering tours, and answering many questions from the community, and to the Board of Trustees for the numerous hours of service they invested in the process. And deep gratitude to Carletta Renfro and her excellent leadership on the Citizens for Tahoka Youth committee and to the committee members. Everyone one on that committee demonstrated a deep concern and caring for our students, school and community. Thank you to Julia Allen, John Baker, Scott Dimak, Al Garrett, Lashaunda Hood, Brandie Hudson, Cal Huffaker (Treasurer), Gloria Moore, Carlos Morales, Barry Pittman, Reitha Morton Pittman, Blanda Watt, Matt Woodley, and Marissa Villegas.

I look forward to the improvements that our district will enjoy, and pray that our students reap the benefits for years to come.

Thank you again,  
**Cathy Box**

**Gift of flowers**

We would like to express a big Thank You to Paris 'N' Bloom. We so appreciate the lovely carnations that they provided to our Ladies of Lynnwood Mother's Day Celebration. "Thank you for your generosity and all the joy and warmth you brought to Lynnwood."

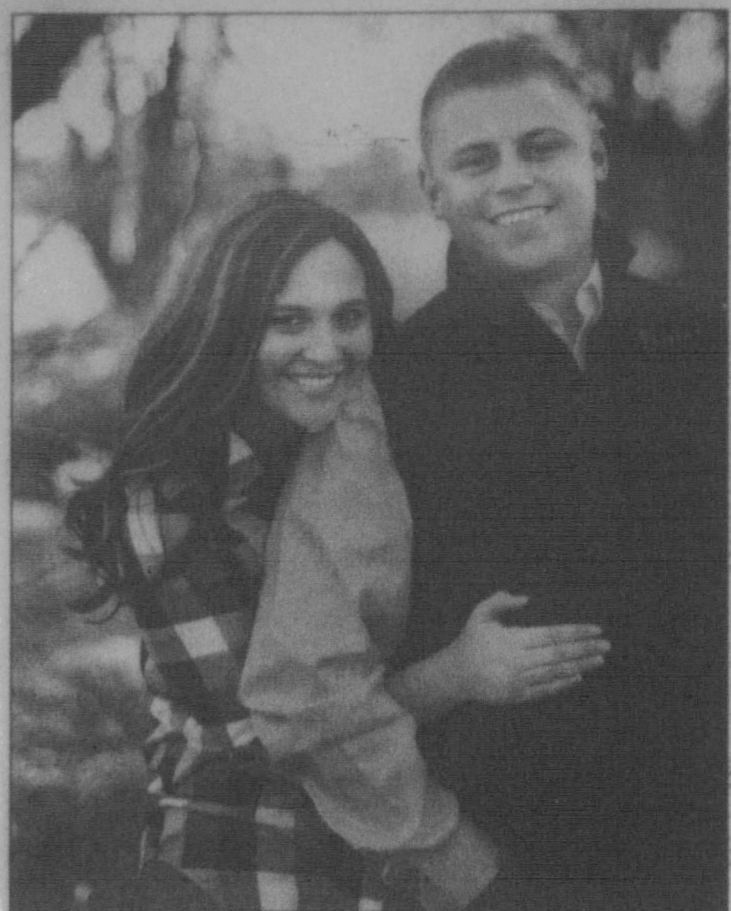
Susie King Director  
Lynnwood Assisted Living

**Historian to speak about WASPs at Heritage House**

The Caprock Cultural Association will have historian Lou Burleson return to the Heritage House in Post on Friday, May 20 at 12 noon for a performance that tells the story of the "WASP" - Women Airforce Service Pilots.

Cost is \$12/person and includes lunch and the presentation. Reservations are required by Tues., May 17 by calling 495-4148 or emailing ccart@poka.com.

Ms. Burleson is a retired history and theater teacher who lives in Floydada. The WASP program was formed during the early part of World War II to compensate for a critical shortage of male pilots. Women were trained as licensed pilots to help relieve the shortage. Approximately 25,000 women trained at Avenger Field in Sweetwater.



KENZIE BREK ANGELEY AND LUKE AUSTIN KEMP

**Couple announces engagement**

Michael and Tammi Angeley of Tahoka announce the engagement of their daughter Kenzie Brek, to Luke Austin Kemp, son of Mike and Renee Kemp, all of Lubbock.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Rachelle Brock, and the late Steve Braddock, all of Tahoka, and Ken and Phyllis Angeley. The future bride-groom is the grandson of Jimmy and Treva Kemp of Lubbock and Benny and Barbara Benge of Lovington, NM.

The future bride is a graduate of Lubbock-Cooper High School and Amarillo College of Dental Hygiene and is employed by Abbeville Dentistry.

Kemp is a graduate of Lubbock-Cooper High School and Wolforth Fire Academy and is employed by Osteogenics.

The couple plans to marry October 29, 2016 in Riviera Maya, Mexico.

**Save the Date!**  
**Lynn County Courthouse Centennial Celebration**  
**August 27, 2016**  
*A celebration recognizing the 100th anniversary of the building of the courthouse!*

**Yummy!**  
**FRENCH Baguettes**  
**99¢ each**  
**& Muffins .....**  
*Blueberry, Strawberry Cream Cheese or Pineapple Upside Down!*  
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**Parents, Grandparents, Aunts & Uncles... Congratulate your senior in our graduation issue!**

If you would like to congratulate your high school senior in **The Lynn County News' graduation issue on May 26**, send **\$8.50** (for a small ad) or **\$17 & up** (for an ad with a photo like the one at right, depending on size of photo), along with the name of the student, high school and congratulators names to Box 1170, Tahoka, or come by 1617 Main St. or email it to LynnCoNews@poka.com

**HURRY!**  
**DEADLINE IS WEDNESDAY, MAY 18.**

Tahoka High School  
**Congratulations Martin Howard!**



**We are so proud of you!**  
LOVE YOU ...  
Mom, Dad,  
Grandpas, Grandmas,  
Aunts, Uncles,  
cousins & sisters

*This graduation issue will include New Home, Wilson, O'Donnell and Tahoka seniors!*

**Would you take your car to a handyman who has never worked on a car before?**

**Would you hire a personal injury lawyer if you were charged with a serious crime?**

**Would you take your family to a veterinarian if they are in need of a surgeon?**

**Would you elect an attorney (like my opponent) who has NO criminal law experience, to prosecute someone that has committed a violent crime against your family?**

**Ask your local law enforcement how important experience is for this job and who they are supporting. CHOOSE THE RIGHT MAN FOR THE JOB ...**

**"THE VOTE FOR LAW AND ORDER"**  
RUNOFF: May 24 - EARLY VOTE: May 16-20  
**RE-ELECT MICHAEL MUNK**  
**DISTRICT ATTORNEY**  
106th Judicial District  
Political Advertising Paid for by Michael Munk, Don Stephens, Treasurer.

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**Welcome new Ag Agent ...** Wade Howard (third from right) was welcomed as Lynn County's new Ag Agent with the Texas AgriLife Extension Service during Monday's meeting of Lynn County Commissioners. He will begin his duties here June 20. Pictured from left: County Judge Mike Braddock, and commissioners Keith Wied, John Hawthorne, Don Blair and Larry Durham. (LCN PHOTO by Juanel Jones)

## Wade Howard named new ag agent here

At Monday morning's regular session, Lynn County Commissioners unanimously approved appointing Wade Howard for the position of Lynn County AgriLife Extension Agent-Agriculture, with the appointment to begin on June 20. Howard currently is a county agent in Eastland County, serving his third year there. He grew up in Sweetwater, and is a graduate of Texas Tech University. He told commissioners he is an avid proponent of 4-H programs and extension programs for both youth and adults. He will be joining Agent Wendy Scott in the Lynn County extension office.

In other business, commissioners heard a presentation by Johnny Arms regarding a proposed subdivision in the New Home area, and approved the preliminary plans for the proposal. The proposed subdivision is adjacent to FM 211 and County Road L, about a mile east of New Home.

Commissioners met in closed session for 30 minutes to discuss County Road 18 with County Attorney Rebekah Filley. Upon returning to open session, Commissioner Keith Wied moved that letters from the county should be sent to all affected landowners on County Road 18. The letters are to state that if all landowners are in agreement with the changes to be made, then the county will agree also.

Monthly bills were approved, and the meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m. County Judge Mike Braddock led the session, with all four commissioners present including Keith Wied, John Hawthorne, Don Blair and Larry Durham, as well as other county officials.



**Fun at the museum...** Tahoka Elementary fifth graders Devoney Nambo, Karin Iles, and Miranda DeLeon are shown at the Tahoka Pioneer Museum with curator Lenda Wood, who made chocolate chip cookies for the young visitors and the rest of their fifth grade class touring the museum on Monday.

## Batteries, solar panels taken from cemetery plot here

A man who comes from Midland once a month to tend to his grandfather's grave in the Tahoka Cemetery reported to Tahoka Police on Sunday evening that he discovered several items stolen from the cemetery plot. Someone had removed two marine batteries and three solar panels from the plot, which James David Vaughn said was used to keep the grass watered on the plot. Investigation continues in this case.

On Sunday night, a Tahoka woman reported that a gray Nissan Titan pickup parked under the carport at her residence in the 2300 block of N. 4th Street had been scratched, or keyed, with damage reported to all sides of the truck. The owner reported the vandalism could have occurred at any point between Friday evening and Sunday evening.

A 26-year-old Tahoka man was arrested for public intoxication in the early morning hours of May 4, after officers were called to a domestic disturbance at a local residence. On Friday,

a 31-year-old Tahoka man was arrested on an outstanding warrant for assault causing bodily injury, after a Tahoka Police officer observed the man's vehicle at a local residence.

Lynn County Jail held 44 inmates this week, including 24 for Ector County, 19 for Lynn, and 1 for Dawson County.

## WILSON COMMUNITY NEWS

by Bonnie S. Schwertner

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During my high school years, 1972-1975, I greatly admired the Wilson ISD School Board. They led with firmness, dignity, and respect. Back then I never dreamed that I would one day be elected to join their ranks. I owe a great deal to those members: Roy Lynn Kahlich, Curtis Wilke, James Savell, Loyd R. McCormick, Tommy Bednarz, Billy Weaver, Alvin Kitten, C.W. Sloan, Thomas Autry, Donald Klaus, and Dale Zant. I consider serving this great district to be an honor.

Join us May 14, for Free Movie night from 7:45-10:45 PM at the football field. What a wonderful opportunity to come together.

May 17, 24, and 31 - Wilson 6 on 6: 2016 Spring Football. Games are at 5:30, 6:10, and 6:50, and will be played on four different field locations. Check the Wilson Athletics page for the exact schedule. I'm impressed with the organization that has gone into this event.

May 18 - The Secondary Awards assembly will be from 9:00-10:00 AM in the auditorium; and from 3:00-4:00 PM, there is a district wide talent show, also in the auditorium. May 21 is the Science Fair.

## Former Tahokan honored for her community service

One of Tahoka's former citizens, Reba (Cook) Ragsdale, was honored recently for her service to her community. Ragsdale was one of three Bryan-College Station citizens honored for their volunteer work and contributions to the Community Foundation of the Brazos Valley, according to an article in The Eagle, published in Bryan-College Station, Texas.

Providing palliative care for non-hospice patients, building ramps for residents with ambulatory disabilities and donating iPads to aid in a child's speech therapy are a few of the many local needs that are funded through the Community Foundation of the Brazos Valley.

Recognized as a founding board member for local breast cancer support group Pink Alliance and the first female president of the Bryan Rotary Club, Ragsdale was noted for her leadership and compassion. Ragsdale served as the 12th Man Foundation's director of donor relations, special events and travel for 17 years and was named Citizen of the Year and Volunteer of the Year by the Bryan-College Station Chamber of Commerce in 1993 and 1987, respectively.

## Lost a Pet?

Check with the ...

**Lynn County Animal Shelter**

located at S. 2nd and Ave. H.

or contact the

Lynn County Sheriff's Office

at 561-4505

## Parents & Grandparents...

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You are cordially invited to a

# RETIREMENT RECEPTION

honoring

## LELAND ZANT and LESA MCCANN

for their years of service at

# NH New Home ISD

12:00 NOON TO 1:00 PM  
THURSDAY, MAY 26, 2016  
New Home ISD Cafeteria

# PHILIP MACK FURLOW

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY  
106TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

- Fourth Generation West Texan
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- Experience in Courtroom Trials & Municipal Prosecution
- Community Leader
- Solid Work Ethic
- West Texas Family Values

**VOTE EARLY FOR PHILIP MACK FURLOW**  
Early Voting: May 16-20, 2016

## Senior Citizen's LUNCH MENU

May 16-20

**Monday:** Homestyle lasagna, brussel sprouts, garlic bread, pears

**Tuesday:** Cheeseburger, potato wedges, tomato wedge salad, melon medley

**Wednesday:** Homemade turkey pot pie, corn, salad, ambrosia

**Thursday:** Meatloaf, scalloped potatoes, green beans, salad, sliced bananas in oj

**Friday:** Chicken tenders, mashed potatoes, mixed squash, roll

**Mark your calendars...**

• Mark your calendars for our Community Yard Sale, Saturday, June 4th. BINGO will be later this month.

• Donations to benefit the Center are greatly appreciated! All donations are tax deductible; we are a 501(c)3 organization.

## NEWS from the Library

CITY-COUNTY LIBRARY  
1717 Main St. • Tahoka TX  
(inside the Life Enrichment Center)

Butterfly release coming soon to the Library. Watch our Facebook page City-County Library for release date and time.

**Tahoka ISD Field Trip:** Judy Sanders' 5th grade class at Tahoka ISD visited the Library for a mystery and games. A Jungletastic Mystery was awaiting the class when they arrived. Kid sleuths saw the evidence, read the alibis and came up with their conclusion to the mystery, designed frisbees and played games.

**Donated items:** The Library

would like to thank everyone who has donated items. We appreciate everything from books, crafts, First Bank & Trust bank bucks and our newest donation of stuffed animals from Genae Joly.

**Children's space:** The City-County Library will be naming our Children's Space in honor of a person (living or deceased) from Lynn County. Nominations accepted June 1-August 31. For more details or to get a nomination form, visit the Library at 1717 Main in Tahoka

## John T. Montford Endorses Philip Mack Furlow for District Attorney 106th Judicial District

Philip Mack Furlow has received the endorsement from John T. Montford, former Lubbock County Criminal District Attorney and former State Senator.

"As a former District Attorney, I know what it takes to be effective as a prosecutor and run a District Attorney's Office. I have known Philip Mack Furlow for over 25 years. He is a man of integrity, heart and wisdom. Philip Mack Furlow has extensive legal experience and the qualifications to be an outstanding District Attorney. I enthusiastically endorse his candidacy and respectfully ask that you consider voting for Philip Mack Furlow to be your elected District Attorney," Montford said.

John T. Montford served as the Lubbock District Attorney and earned the nickname "John T. '99' Montford" for his vigorous prosecution of crime and demand for lengthy sentences. Following his duties as a prosecutor, Montford served this area, including Dawson, Gaines, Garza and Lynn Counties as a Texas State Senator and was the first Chancellor of the Texas Tech University System.

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## Local Attorneys Endorse PHILIP MACK FURLOW FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY 106TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Philip Mack Furlow has the character, integrity, skill and experience to be an outstanding District Attorney. Philip Mack Furlow will bring his West Texas Values and Work Ethic to the District Attorney's Office.

**Please join us in voting for Philip Mack Furlow for District Attorney in the Runoff Election on May 24th. Please vote early NEXT WEEK, May 16-20.**

- ★ Willis Gresham, Jr. - Lamesa
- ★ Russell Casselberry - Lamesa
- ★ Preston Poole - Post
- ★ W. Calloway Huffaker - Tahoka
- ★ Bonnie Ericson - Seminole
- ★ Roxanne Cox - Lamesa



**Team "O"** ... Participating in the MS Walk-A-Thon at the Texas Tech University Campus to show support to Clifford ("O") Oages and his wife Linda were Porscha Price, Patrick and Sonya Dotson, Gloria Morales, Sabrina Morales, Carlos Morales and Micela Torres.

**Winners named in FB golf tourney**

Coach Pavey, of Post, was Champion with a score of 57, at the recent Lynn/Garza County Farm Bureau Golf Tournament that was held April 30, at T-Bar Country Club in Tahoka. Other winners included Toby Taylor with a 58, and Brad Smith with a 59. Duffer was Jason Alvarado.

Longest Drive winner was Jordan Cavazos; Closest to Pin was Brad Smith and Closest to Line was Toby Taylor.

**New Home School Menu**

May 16-20  
Breakfast  
Monday: Pancakes, bacon/muffin  
Tuesday: Cereal, toast/Biscuits & gravy, scrambled eggs  
Wednesday: Breakfast strudel/Animal crackers  
Thursday: Sunrise sandwich/PBJ  
Friday: No school  
**Lunch**  
Monday: Chicken sandwich/Beef & Bean burrito  
Tuesday: Pizza / Hot Dog  
Wednesday: Pot Pie / Salisbury steak  
Thursday: Corn dog / Stuffed baked potato  
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**Day of prayer ...** Area citizens gathered last Thursday, May 5 on the grounds of the Lynn County Courthouse for the annual National Day of Prayer, joining others across the nation to pray for our country. [LCN PHOTO by Juanel Jones]

**City Council to consider ordinance prohibiting vehicles parked in yards**

by JUANELL JONES

Tahoka City Council is considering a proposed ordinance that would regulate the parking of all vehicles in yards of residences, and have scheduled a hearing for public input on the issue at 5 p.m. Monday, May 16 in the Community Room of City Hall (located at the rear of the city hall building, on Ave. J - formerly the Lyntegar public meeting room).

Anyone wishing to address the council about this proposed ordinance may sign up at Tahoka City Hall before the day of the hearing. Every person who has signed up on the list will be allowed five minutes to address this issue before the council.

In essence, the proposed ordinance would prohibit any automobile, truck, trailer, boat,

recreational vehicle, other motor vehicle or non-motor vehicle from being parked within the front yard of any lot in a residential zoned area or any other lot used for residential purposes, unless the surface is paved with asphalt, gravel, rock, caliche, brick, concrete or similar impervious all-weather surface, free of all vegetation. This would apply to front yards and side yards.

There are some exceptions to the regulations, such as for loading and unloading purposes. A recreational vehicle may only be parked by its owner who is a Tahoka resident, on his/her lot, while engaged in active loading or unloading, for a period not exceeding 48 hours in a five-day period. The recreational vehicle of a non-Tahoka

resident on the lot or parcel of a person he/she is visiting would only be allowed to be parked on the lot for a maximum of 72 hours during a 30-day period.

No person shall occupy or use as living or sleeping quarters any such vehicle except that recreational vehicles may be used as living or sleeping quarters for a maximum of 72 hours on any given lot or parcel of land during a 30-day period.

The complete proposed ordinance may be viewed online at the city's website, [www.tahoka-texas.com](http://www.tahoka-texas.com) (go to the link that reads "City Council Agenda"), or residents may get a copy at City Hall, located at 1807 North Main Street.

For more information, call Tahoka City Hall at 806-561-4211.

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**ENDORSEMENTS: What are they worth?**

Many people do not know that Roxanne Cox was employed by my office prior to her termination in 2014. Consequently, her announcement as a candidate for District Attorney was not a surprise to me.

But here is what is:

- 1) Ms. Cox betrays her own platform that "the District Attorney should be an experienced prosecutor." After all, she proclaimed herself as "The Experienced Prosecutor." Her endorsement of my opponent according to my opponent's ad relied on his "seeking counsel, guidance, advice, and ideas" from other prosecutors. Really? She is endorsing my opponent, knowing he has absolutely no criminal experience, simply because he has asked other prosecutors how to run a District Attorney's Office??? What is her motivation for betraying her platform—perhaps for the mere offer of a job if my opponent were to win?
- 2) In the candidate's forum held in Post prior to the Primary Election, Ms. Cox was asked how she felt about a District Attorney candidate accepting campaign donations from criminal defense attorneys that practice in the 106th District. Her response was that it was an issue of "integrity". Now she supports the candidate that has accepted THOUSANDS of dollars from a number of Lubbock criminal defense attorneys whose sole purpose is to see that our criminals are put back onto our streets.
- 3) I find it a bit presumptuous that my opponent would think that Ms. Cox's previous voters would vote the way she tells them to, despite how contradictory it may be to her platform. Their vote for her in the Primary was a result of their own deliberations. Likewise, only the exercise of the free will of the voters will decide what the important issues in THIS election will be.
- 4) Ms. Cox first misled the voters by representing to them that she had practiced law for 30 years when she had not been a practicing attorney for 20 of those years that she was licensed.

My opponent advertised another endorsement before the Primary, someone that did not even live in our district. Now he boasts the endorsement of the other former candidate hoping that will help him. To those that voted for Ms. Cox previously, I can say that we both agreed on one thing: **THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY SHOULD BE AN EXPERIENCED PROSECUTOR!**

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**Annual groundwater levels show average increase for area**

Annual water level measurements indicate an average increase of +0.37 of a foot in the groundwater levels of the Ogallala Aquifer within the 16-county High Plains Underground Water Conservation District (HPWD) service area from 2015 to 2016.

Above-average rainfall, which fell in a timely manner, helped increase groundwater levels during 2015-2016. This compares to the average change of -0.56 of a foot recorded in 2014-2015.

The 10-year district average change (2006-2016) is - 9.29 feet while the five-year district average change (2011-2016) is -5.94 feet.

Water level measurements are made from December to March each year in 1,400 privately-owned water wells completed into the Ogallala/Edwards-Trinity (High Plains) Aquifer.

In addition, the district made water level measurements in 24 wells as part of the newly-established Dockum Aquifer observation well network.

"We encourage area residents to visit the interactive web map at [map.hpwd.org](http://map.hpwd.org) to view charts of water levels as well as the saturated thickness for each of the observation wells in our network. The online tools provided on the district's website can help people understand the variability in saturated thickness and groundwater levels within the district's 16-county service area," said HPWD General Manager Jason Coleman.

According to the map, the 93 wells in Lynn County showed an increase of +3.68 feet with a saturated thickness of 41.77.

Results of the 2016 HPWD water level measurements are also presented in a 80 page report available for online viewing/downloading at [www.hpwd.org/reports](http://www.hpwd.org/reports).

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A brief statement of the nature of the petition is as follows, to-wit: APPLICATION TO DETERMINE HEIRSHIP as is more fully shown by the petition on file in this cause.

All interested persons may contact the appointed attorney ad Litem, Ryan Hammitt, Attorney at Law, PO Box 11102, Lubbock, Texas 79408.

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**Bulldogs end playoff run at bi-district baseball series**

The Tahoka Bulldogs ended the 2016 season at the bi-district baseball playoffs last weekend against Lockney, losing 8-6 in Game 1, and a close 13-12 loss in Game 2 to dash their playoff hopes. But Coach Stephen Overstreet said he was proud of the team's efforts and looking forward to next year, as all team members will be returning for another season of play.

"With no seniors on the team, they will all get another chance to make a run at what they finally saw was obtainable," said Overstreet. "I was also extremely proud of the class in which they displayed during the series. Our fans as well as our kids did an excellent job of remembering what this is all about. It's a game and it's for kids, it's not about yelling and screaming, or trying to point fingers at umpires or

the other team. I tell our kids all the time, 'it's a little kids game, so go have fun.' Losing is never fun, but the excitement I have for next year makes me feel like a little kid all over again," he added.

In Game 1 Friday night, Lockney won 8-6.

"This was a very tough game to go back and look at because we had so many chances to put it away early. We jumped out to a big 3-1 lead after one, but had some trouble stringing stuff together as the night went on. We got runners on base in the later innings but we couldn't get them across which was something we struggled with this season," said the coach.

"John Quinonez has been my game 1 guy since he was a freshman and he went toe to toe with Lockney's ace. He did an excellent job of pitching and he followed the scouting report to a T. We just committed too many errors at very big times in the ballgame," he added.

In Game 2 on Saturday, the Bulldogs came from behind to eventually take the lead in the 7th inning, but in the end lost 13-12.

"We played the first 4 innings about as bad as you could possibly play, both offensively and defensively," said Overstreet. "Ruben Quinonez did an excellent job of pitching to contact and giving our defense a chance but we just couldn't seem to get out. We look up in the 5th and we are down 7-0 and things could have really gone south from there. I have said all season this group is young and talented and they showed it in a big way in the bottom half of the 5th. We put up 5 runs in the bottom half of the 5th and cut the lead to 7-5. We came back in the top of the 6th and gave up 2 but still had the momentum on our side.

"We made a play in the top of the 6th that honestly could have won an award for the greatest play of all time. We got a kid in a rundown between 2nd and 3rd and did an excellent job of working the guy and getting the out. Ruben, Brit, John, Grant, and even Kevin came over to help us get that sure out. John catches the final throw and is able to run the kid down for the out. I couldn't figure out what he was doing but he never slows down after he tags the kid. I look up and he has tagged the guy who hit the ball that tried to take 2nd. He was able



**Outstanding New Home ISD teachers ...** Beverly Zuniga, representing the City-County Library, presented awards for Outstanding Teachers at New Home ISD courtesy of sponsor Xcel Energy. The Outstanding Teachers are Kim Smith (photo at right) and Shane Moore, pictured with some of his students. Students voted on the teacher awards through a program at the City-County Library.

to get a huge double play at a very critical time and once again got momentum back on our side. This kept us rolling into the bottom half of the 6th as we left off right where we were in the 5th. We put up 7 runs that half inning to take the lead 12-9 going into the 7th. Nick Arce, Kevin White, Brit Lockaby, Julian Rodriguez, Grant Tekell, all of these guys did great things in the 5th and 6th at the plate that really

helped us and gave us a chance to win.

"We came out in the top of the 7th and got a quick out and then gave up a hit. We were still up 13-10 and had 2 outs. They did a great job of hitting and we didn't pitch as solid of defense as we had. Errors and the inability to get the 3rd out was the difference in the game. We gave up 3 runs with 2 outs and found ourselves behind 13-12 but we still had the last at bat. In my

opinion we were where we needed to be in our lineup. We had guys with speed coming up and guys who had found a way to get on base the last 2 innings. Lockney made a pitching change and brought back the game 1 starter who we handled the night before. He did a great job of pitching to us and broke our rhythm we had established the previous 2 innings. We went 3 up and 3 down in the 7th to end the game," said the coach.



**Fifth grade sleuths ...** Judy Sanders' fifth grade class from Tahoka Elementary toured the City-County Library last week. Pictured above, students are solving a mystery at the City-County library; later they played games and made their own frisbees.

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**Lynn County Appraisal District Provides Public Information and ASSISTANCE**

This is the time of year the Lynn County Appraisal District sends notices of appraised value. Lynn County notices were mailed on May 6, 2016. Property owners will be mailed a notice as a result of any of the following circumstances affecting real property: if the 2016 proposed value is at least \$1000 more than the 2015 certified value; if the property owner has filed a timely rendition; if 2016 is the first year the property is listed in the appraisal records; if the property changed ownership during 2015, or if the property is a producing mineral interest. Notices will also be mailed to owners of taxable furniture, fixtures, machinery, equipment, vehicles, and inventory used in a trade or business.

Property owners who have questions, or want to discuss the value placed on their property should contact the appraisal district office. The legal deadline for filing a timely protest is thirty days from the date of your notice. Those who receive a notice in Lynn County have until June 6, 2016 to file a protest. If you believe the proposed market value of your property is incorrect, be sure to contact the appraisal district prior to your deadline. It is important to ask questions or call to our attention unusual facts about your property as soon as possible. In the case of value questions, property owners are urged to present conclusive evidence regarding the true market value of their property. Such evidence consists of closing statements, listing agreements, fee appraisals, income and expense statements, pictures, and surveys. Our goal is to treat all property owners in a fair and equitable manner, and this can best be accomplished when you provide evidence to us about your property as soon as possible.

The following publication is required by Section 41.70 of the Texas Property Tax Code.

**Property Tax Protest and Appeal Procedures**

The law gives property owners the right to protest actions concerning their property tax appraisals. You may follow these appeal procedures if you have a concern about:

- the market or appraised value of your property
- the unequal appraisal of your property
- the inclusion of your property on the appraisal roll
- any exemptions that may apply to you
- the qualification for an agricultural or timber appraisal
- the taxable status of your property
- the local governments which should be taxing your property
- the ownership of the property
- the change of use of land receiving special appraisal
- any action taken by the chief appraiser, appraisal district or appraisal review board (ARB) that applies to and adversely affects you.

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You may call (806) 561-5477 to discuss your protest with a CAD employee and try to come to a settlement without meeting with the ARB.

**REVIEW BY THE ARB**

If you cannot resolve your problem informally with the county appraisal district (CAD) staff, you may have your case heard by the ARB.

The ARB is an independent board of citizens that reviews problems with appraisals or other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the CAD to make the necessary changes to solve problems. If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (called a notice of protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing. You will receive written notice of the time, date and place of the hearing. If necessary, you may request a hearing in the evening or on a Saturday or Sunday. Prior to your hearing, you may ask to review the evidence the CAD plans to introduce at the hearing to establish any matter at issue. The law provides that before a hearing on a protest or immediately after the hearing begins, you or your agent and the CAD shall each provide the other with a copy of any materials -- whether in paper or electronic form -- intended to be offered or submitted to the ARB at the hearing. (Multiple copies of these materials typically must be brought to the hearing so that each ARB member has a copy of all the materials to review.) To the greatest extent practicable, the hearing will be informal. You or a designated agent may appear in person to present evidence or you may send notarized evidence for the ARB

to review at your hearing. The CAD representative will present evidence about your case. You may cross-examine the CAD representative. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented. In most cases, the CAD has the burden of establishing the property's value by a preponderance of the evidence presented.

In certain protests, the chief appraiser has the burden of proving the property's value by clear and convincing evidence. You should review ARB hearing procedures to learn more about evidence and related matters. You can get a copy of a protest form from the appraisal district office or from the Comptroller of Public Accounts at

You should not try to contact ARB members outside of the hearing. The law requires ARB members to sign an affidavit saying that they have not talked about your case before the ARB hears it.

**REVIEW BY THE DISTRICT COURT, AN ARBITRATOR OR SOAH**

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**MORE INFORMATION**

You can get more information by contacting your appraisal district at Lynn CAD, 1615 Main Street, Tahoka, TX 79373, (806) 561-5477.

You can get additional information on how to prepare a protest from the Comptroller's publication, Property Tax Basics, available on the Comptroller's Property Tax Assistance Division's website at [comptroller.texas.gov/taxinfo/proptax/pdf/96-1425.pdf](http://comptroller.texas.gov/taxinfo/proptax/pdf/96-1425.pdf).

**Deadline for Filing Protests with the ARB\***

**USUAL DEADLINE**

On or before April 30 for residence homesteads and May 31 for all other property (or within 30 days after a notice of appraised value was mailed to you, whichever is later).

Late protests are allowed if you miss the usual deadline for good cause. The ARB decides whether you have good cause.

Late protests are not allowed after the ARB approves the appraisal records for the year.

**SPECIAL DEADLINES**


For change of use (the appraisal district informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land), the deadline is not later

than the 30th day after the notice of the determination was delivered to you.

For ARB changes (the ARB has informed you of a change that increases your tax liability and the change did not result from a protest you filed), the deadline is not later than the 30th day after the notice of the change was delivered to you.

If you believe the appraisal district or ARB should have sent you a notice and did not, you may file a protest until the day before taxes become delinquent (usually Feb. 1) or no later than the 125th day after the date you claim you received a tax bill from one or more of the taxing units that tax your property. The ARB decides whether it will hear your case based on evidence about whether a required notice was mailed to you.

\* The deadline is postponed to the next business day if it falls on a weekend or legal, state or national holiday.




**PHILIP MACK FURLOW**

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY  
106TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

**My pledge to you:**


- ✓ Uphold the office of the District Attorney with honesty, integrity and hard work.
- ✓ Work closely with our law enforcement officers, as a team, to prosecute criminals efficiently and effectively.
- ✓ Save Taxpayers' money. The current DA's expenditures have grown almost 46% in two years (per public records from Dawson County Auditor [FY2013: \$444,700.89 FY2015: \$646,027.58]). It is difficult to justify this large increase when cotton prices are around 60 cents a pound and oil prices are around \$30 a barrel. Just like on the farm, Philip Mack Furlow will work within the budget and not operate out of fund balance or reserves to accomplish the goals of the DA's office.



*"I am a fourth generation West Texan. I know the people of this district and they know me. I share your history, values, ideals and faith. With each handshake, each greeting, and each knowing smile, I have become more aware of my calling to serve the people of this area as your District Attorney. I will seek justice and walk humbly before our God. I appreciate your vote."*

— Philip Mack Furlow

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