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Children invited to fun exercise time at Fitness Center

Area children, ages 6-12, are invited every Wednesday to a fun children's fitness program called "NrGize Kids" at the LCHD Fitness Center in Tahoka, at 1809 Lockwood. NrGize Kids is held every Wednesday at 5:15, and space is limited to the first 12 children who have made a reservation to attend.

Reservations are weekly, so parents should call and reserve a spot each week for children to attend. There is a fee of \$2 for the weekly class. NrGize Kids is led by Crystal Pledger, and the class includes fun music and dance.

For more information, or to make a weekly reservation for your child, call the LCHD Fitness Center at 806-561-1340.

Don't forget to take your LCN on trips!



The Lynn County News loves to travel – so don't forget to take us with you when you take a trip!

Send us your "Where In The World is the Lynn County News" photos, and we will publish them as soon as space allows. This feature has proven very popular with LCN readers, and we love to see all the fabulous places that our readers travel.

Email your photos to:
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What's Outside

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
July 19	96	72	
July 20	95	72	
July 21	95	71	
July 22	98	70	
July 23	97	70	
July 24	97	72	
July 25	98	73	

(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:	5.83"
Total Precip for June:	3.76"
Total Precip for July:	0.37"
Total Precip. for 2016:	11.78"

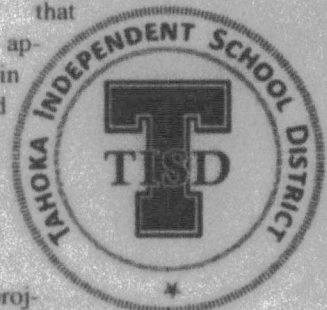
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WHEN WE BUILD IT ...

TISD Board approves schedule for \$9 million construction project

by JUANELL JONES

Tahoka Independent School District Board of Trustees met in regular session last Thursday night, focusing on decisions that will get the ball rolling for the \$9 million construction project that voters approved in a bond election in May 2016.



Trustees considered a project timeline schedule as well as the type of method for overseeing the project that would best suit the district's needs.

The project schedule that trustees approved anticipates initial construction to begin in May 2017. Depending on the construction plan that the board finally chooses, completion for all projects could be either the summer of 2018 or the summer of 2019.

"There are some cost issues to consider in the timeline, and we should know more after we hire a construction manager, who along with the engineer, will advise us on the most cost-effective schedule that would best suit our needs," Dr. George McFarland, Superintendent, told *The News*.

Trustees approved the Construction Manager-at-Risk one step delivery method as the construction procurement method for all construction projects related to the TISD bond projects.

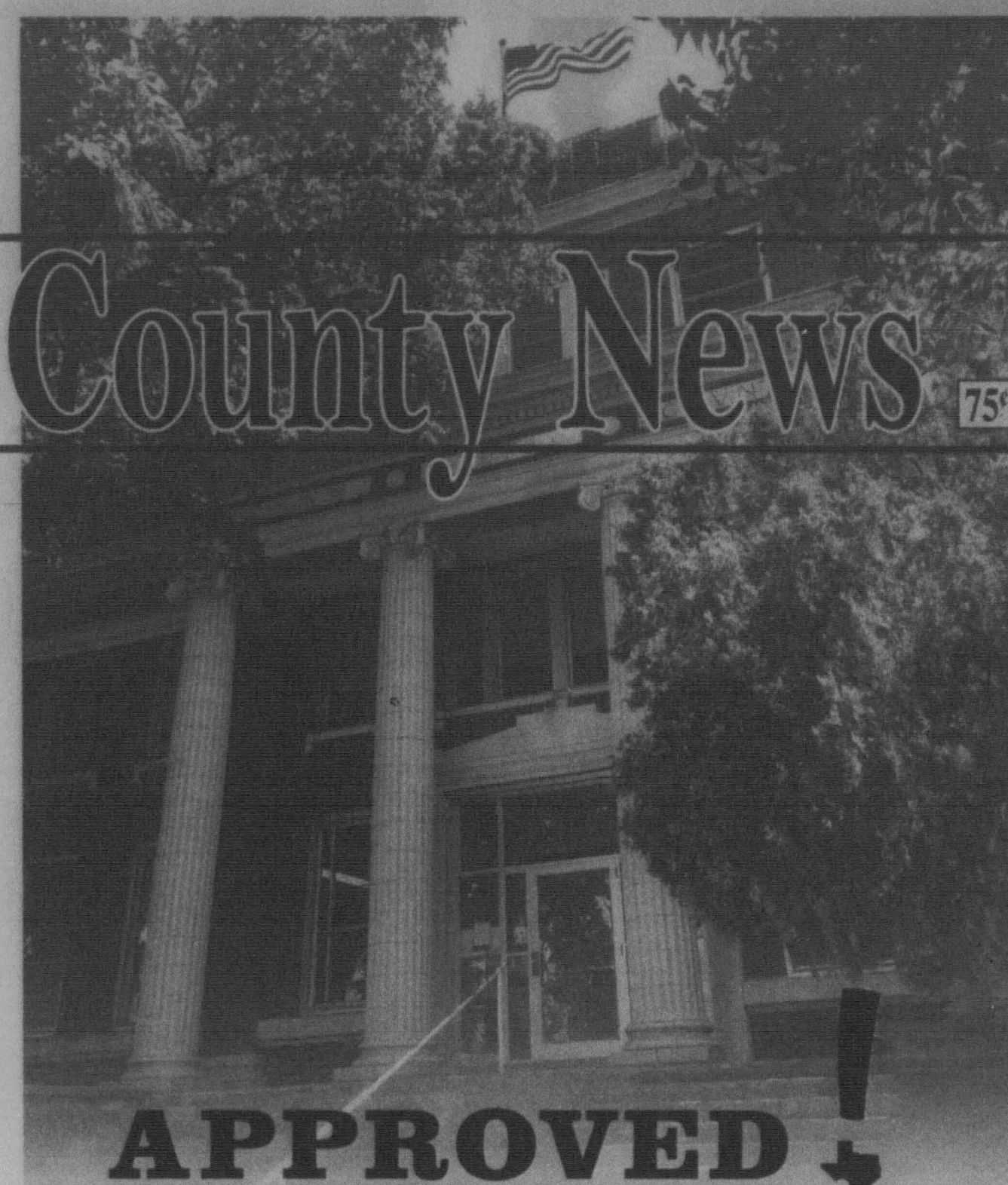
Dr. McFarland explained that there were eight different methods that the district considered for the project.

"The construction manager-at-risk is by far the most commonly used procedure for school projects in this region and throughout the state," said Dr. McFarland.

The board also approved the evaluation criteria that will be used to evaluate the Construction Manager-at-risk proposals that will be sought by the district. Those criteria include: price, resume, ability to aid the district in cost control measures for construction change requests (CCRs), past experience on projects of similar scope/size/complexity, history of any litigation, bonding capacity rating, and any other relevant factor provided in response to the district's request for proposals.

To facilitate the process of choosing a construction manager, trustees authorized the superintendent to appoint an evaluation committee for proposals submitted from prospective Construction Manager-at-risk candidates.

In other business, the Board approved the purchase of Risk Management Insurance from the Texas Association of School Boards. This covers



APPROVED

Lynn County awarded \$4.8 million grant for historic courthouse restoration project

by JUANELL JONES

It's been 13 years coming, but Lynn County officials finally received the good news last week that grant funding has been awarded to Lynn County for a full restoration of its historic courthouse. The grant is part of the Texas Historical Commission's (THC) Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program (THCPP) Round IX funding announced at the agency's July 22 quarterly meeting in Austin.

The THC received applications from 19 counties requesting \$70.7 million for full restoration projects totaling \$119.8 million. Lynn County is one of four counties – and the only one in west Texas – awarded the full restoration grant. The THC awarded Lynn County a partial matching construction grant for \$4,878,857.

The THC awarded matching grants totaling \$20,162,369 to eight counties to aid in preservation of their historic courthouses. Fannin, Karnes, Lynn, and San Saba counties received construction grants for full restorations. Cameron, Kleberg, and Willacy counties received emergency grants to address critical issues including structural problems, water accumulation, and hazardous material removal. Hunt County was awarded a planning grant to be applied toward the production of construction documents for a future application to the THCPP for a full restoration of their building.

"We are excited to get this grant award. It's been 13 years since we started, and we've been fighting for the funds for a long time, and made many a trip to Austin to plead our case," said Mike Braddock, Lynn County Judge. "I guess it's finally paid off," he added.

As part of the grant application process, Lynn County officials had set aside nearly \$1 million in matching funds for the anticipated funding award, but the \$4.8 million grant is only 90% of the amount that the county requested, which means that the county will need some additional funds for the completion of the project.

"We do not have in mind raising taxes for this project," Judge Braddock said during Monday morning's regular commissioner meeting. "We have six months to accept this funding

award, which gives us some time to get together with Komatsu Architects (the architectural firm for the project) and get some current numbers as to what the total amount is expected to be for the restoration project," he added. He said he expects Komatsu to have more realistic numbers for them within 4-6 weeks.

The original grant was submitted to the Texas Historical Commission THCPP program in 2003, and the overall master plan was approved by the THCPP in December 2006. At that time, the county was seeking \$3.5 million for the project. Since that time, the plan (revised for updated costs) has been submitted for funding approval every two years, for the THC's biennial award process. In a previous round in 2012, Lynn County's project missed the grant award by mere points, and the project was estimated

to have a total cost of approximately \$6 million.

The initial grant funds for the first phase of the project – the planning phase – were approved in August 2009, for \$470,405, with Lynn County matching 15 percent of the total funds expended. The planning phase was completed when Lynn County's application for construction funds was submitted. The county was also awarded THCPP emergency grant funds of \$179,000 in 2014 (with the county contributing a matching amount) for electrical system upgrades and some exterior masonry repair work.

The THCPP Round IX grants were made possible through a \$20 million appropriation by the 84th Texas Legislature. The THC received applications from 25 counties requesting \$78.8 million for projects totaling \$140.8 million. The agency determined grants by assessing 21 criteria including the building's age, endangerment, historical designations, and county support for the project.

The 1916 Lynn County Courthouse was designed by Amarillo architect William M. Rice in the Classical Revival style. The courthouse appearance has been significantly altered in the subsequent years with numerous renovations, mostly in the interior. The project will restore the courthouse to its 1916 appearance.

To complement the restoration, Lynn County negotiated with the Texas Department of Transportation to return a segment of the courthouse square, completing the county's Re-square the Square campaign. This means that Main Street, which currently curves around the west side of the courthouse and turns into Ave. J when Main meets South 2nd Street, would end at South 1st Street at the north entry to the

courthouse, thereby enabling the original courthouse square to include the grounds where the Armed Forces Memorial now stands. In the early years, a gazebo stood on the courthouse grounds in the area where Main Street now cuts through the square.

Lynn County's restoration project will include important modernizations to address problems including an outdated electrical system and safety hazards posed by water intrusion. Important improvements and upgrades will be made throughout the entire building for security, accessibility, and code compliance.

Texas courthouses have been a local symbol of strength, pride, prog-

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—MIKE BRADDOCK, CO. JUDGE

" Life expectancy would grow by leaps and bounds if green vegetables smelled as good as bacon. "

—DOUG LARSON



Now that's funny!

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Obituaries



Jeanette McCleskey

Jeanette McCleskey, 77, of Tahoka, passed away at home surrounded by her loved ones after a brief battle with cancer on Friday, July 22, 2016. She was born November 29, 1938 in Edgewood, Texas to Verner Lee and Ila Fay (Berry) Melton. Her family moved from Edgewood to Grassland, TX in 1948. Jeanette attended Grassland school until her 7th grade year before transferring to Tahoka High where she graduated in 1957. Jeanette worked for Joe Hays and Associates for 30 years. She enjoyed gardening, square dancing and her family. Jeanette was preceded in death by her parents.

Those left to cherish her memory are her children, Kurt McCleskey and wife, Coye, Carla Sires, Kevin McCleskey and wife, Mary and Kent McCleskey and wife, Belinda; one brother, IVJ Melton; 26 grandchildren; and 35 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will begin at 1:00 p.m. Thursday, July 28, 2016 with the family receiving friends from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Combest Family Funeral Home in Tahoka. Services will be at 2:00 p.m. Friday, July 29, 2016 at Church of the Nazarene in Grassland with interment to follow in Grassland Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers the family request donations be made to the Grassland Cemetery, 1995 CR H H, Post, Texas 79356. Please celebrate the life of Jeanette by visiting www.combestfamilyfuneralhomes.com. (PAID)



Wilson clean-up ... The Wilson Mercantile cleaning project was a success, thanks to Keith Finke (top photo), and Carolyn Klaus, and Helen Stevenson (bottom photo), and Bonnie Schwertner (not pictured). Volunteers are working together to help beautify Wilson.



A look back at ...
by Dalton
Woodwork



WHAT WE ALL need to do is buy about a thousand gallons of vinegar and move to Old Mexico. There we could live practically forever on Social Security and vinegar, with plenty of money to buy whatever we want, even if our mouths do turn inside out.

That was my conclusion after reading a couple of advertisements in the January 1996 issue of *Neighbors*, a publication of the Texas Farm Bureau. One of the ads extols the virtues of vinegar while trying to sell a book about the stuff, the other (unrelated to the first) tells us how cheap it is to retire in Mexico.

The ad seeking to sell "The Vinegar Book" for \$14.95 (it probably costs more than that now, if it still is available) gives the impression that vinegar is good for everything. It claims that from the book, you'll learn how to:

Control your appetite to lose weight with a meal-time vinegar cocktail.

Find trusted home remedies to beat colds, ease arthritis pain and other joint diseases—vinegar is nature's own drug-free anti-inflammatory.

"Scientific tests show organic vinegar is a natural storehouse of vitamins and minerals, including beta carotene" which, it says, lowers the risk of getting cancer and boosts the body's immune system.

I never did understand from what I read if you are supposed to drink pure vinegar right out of the bottle, or mix it with something. Mix it with wine or gin in large quantities, and if you still have problems, you won't really care.

Anyway the ad also claimed that vinegar aids digestion, helps lower cholesterol, helps middle ear problems, conditions problem skin, fights age and liver spots, provides amazing hair treatments, relieves nighttime leg cramps, gives relief to headaches, corns and calluses, insect bites, urinary problems, coughs, colds, high blood pressure, is good in pie crusts and chicken soup, and will help you win the Lottery.

Well, I made up that last one, but you get the idea. And if you're afraid you might alienate all your friends with powerful vinegar breath, the solution is offered in the second ad: move to Mexico.

It says that you can "Live in Mexico on \$14 a Day," because living costs are very low. It probably is at least \$20 a day now. This ad also is trying to sell you a book, for just a little more than one day's living cost south of the border. It says that more than a million Americans now live in Mexico in good climates and in communities of other Americans (most of whom may have jumped bond on DWI and burglary charges in the states). Okay, so the part in parentheses is mine; the ad didn't say that.

The book *Living Easy in Mexico* tells you about the great places to live and also about which communities to avoid. I don't know if it tells you whether you have to give up your U.S. citizenship. Or if it tells you where to get all that vinegar you will need.

I also don't know where you could find the book about moving to Mexico today. But some of us may be looking for a copy if the November election doesn't come out the way we want it to.

~June 7, 2004

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

Lynn County Harvest Festival
September 17

July is National ICE CREAM Month
Share a cone with a friend!

CDS BEER LIQUOR & WINE
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All Liquor and Wine ... **25% off**

Letters to the Editor

Important people of Lynn County Heritage

Dear Editor,
I looked up my old hometown and was amazed to see "notable people" that listed Dr. and Ms. Abbe, E.L. Short and Val Joe Walker. No knocks on the Abbes and honorable mention for E.L., but Val Joe was actually from Seminole not Tahoka, we played against him and he was great. How about some real notable people Tahoka

icons like Col Max Minor and his older brother James, who was the youngest Lt. Col (age 26) promoted through combat promotions in WWII. Max was an All American football player at West Point, commander of a strategic air command wing and later flew over 600 combat missions in Vietnam. Brother James was little All-American football player at Howard Payne before the war. How about J. Fred Bucy, CEO of Texas instruments for several years, also Gerald Wayne Tippitt, famous actor on TV and in numerous Hollywood movies. Look these folks up on Google. There were many more that should be listed.

Remember Dan Blocker (Hoss Cartwright) from O'Donnell? Our county has produced many doctors, lawyers, educators, college faculty, ministers and what have you. Everyone should read "Grassroots Upside Down" by Pat Hill Jacobs and get a good look at important people of our Lynn County Heritage.
Ronny Gurley, 51'

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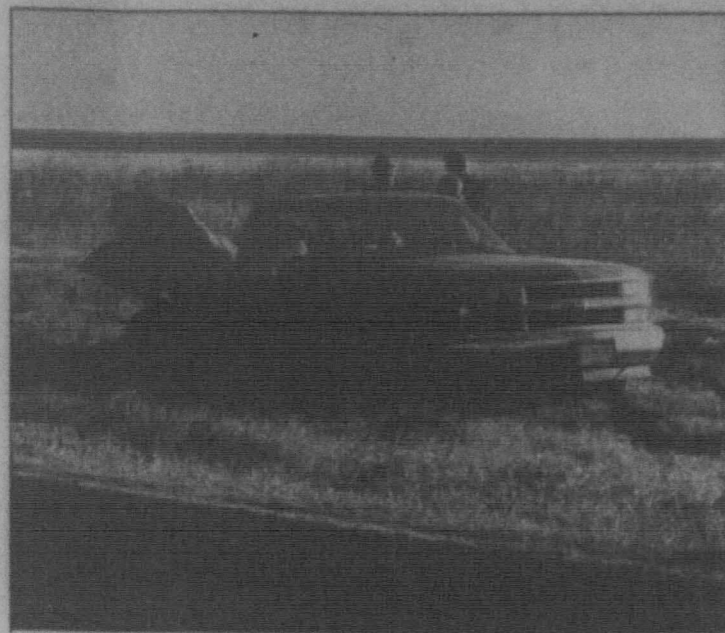
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Collision ... Damage was considerable on the rear of this red Chevrolet pickup and on the front of a Ford pickup, after the two collided as they were driving southbound about 7 p.m. on US 87, a few miles north of Tahoka on Friday evening.

(LCN PHOTO by Juanel Jones)

John Wilson named to ACT Board

Tahoka citizen John Wilson was appointed to the A.C.T. (Advancing the City of Tahoka) Board in city council action Monday night, to fill a vacant position on the board that considers projects that expend sales tax funding with the approval of city officials. Wilson is owner of W&D Construction and Design Inc., and a longtime resident of Tahoka.

The council also approved minutes from the previous meeting, but Monday night's session was cut short when Tahoka Mayor John Baker was called out on an ambulance run (he is the Director of Lynn County EMS). The council chose to reconvene at a later date to consider the other business remaining on the agenda, including awarding a contract for the city's waterline replacement project.

All council members were present except Amy Preston, who was unable to attend. The meeting adjourned after only 20 minutes.

Did you know ... about dogs

- An average dog will live to be between 10 and 14 years of age.
- Dogs are omnivores, which means they feed on a wide variety of foods including meat, vegetables and grains.
- There are 18 different muscles that dogs use to move each one of their ears.
- Dogs release sweat through the pads of their feet.
- Apart from barking, growling and whining, dogs use their ears and facial expression to communicate what they are feeling.

Doggone it, shop at home when you can.

Our local economy is fragile ...

Shopping locally is a vital part of our growth and prosperity.

Why send locally-owned, hard-earned dollars out of town to support someone else? Money spent in Lubbock or other surrounding towns does not support our community, our school, or our hospital.

The local businessperson pays a high percentage of local taxes and they are always great supporters of our community. Every time a business goes under, local taxes will go up in order to have the same tax base. That means homeowners and remaining businesses will inevitably pay more in taxes. So please, *think before you shop out of town* -- if prices seem cheaper elsewhere, are they really going to be cheaper in the long run? What will happen when you can no longer buy what you need in our town and there are no businesses left?

And all local businesses especially appreciate it when our taxing entities -- our school, county, hospital and city -- spend the taxes they collect from us in our own town and county.

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Three arrested on grand jury indictments; Burglary, collision reported in county

by JUANELL JONES

Lynn County Sheriff's Office reported three males were arrested on 106th District Grand Jury indictments during the past week, as well as reports of a burglary in Wilson, an accident involving two vehicles on US 87, and recovery of a stolen vehicle from Lubbock.

Arrested on grand jury indictments were:

- Charles Arvell Landry, 46, of El Paso, for Driving While Intoxicated 2nd offense;
- Donald James Martin, 60, of Tahoka, for Evading Arrest
- Jesse Laureles, 64, of Lubbock, for Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle (a case from April 2016 involving a vehicle stolen from John Hawthorne of Tahoka), and for Assault on a Public Servant (from an assault on officers while he was incar-

cerated at Lynn County Jail).

On July 19, officers received a report of a burglary of a home in Wilson that was temporarily vacated by the owner. Reported missing were a washer and dryer, and wine bottles. No value on the missing items was reported.

On Friday evening, July 22, two pickups collided as they were driving southbound about 7 p.m. on US 87, a few miles north of Tahoka. Damage was considerable on the rear of the red Chevrolet pickup and on the front of a Ford pickup. Officers initially called Tahoka Volunteer Fire Dept. to bring the Jaws of Life as they were having difficulty freeing one person from one truck, but cancelled the call, as they were able to extract the person from the wreckage. Lynn County EMS was called,

and transported at least one person from the scene. Names of the drivers were not available.

Lynn County Deputies intercepted a white Jeep Liberty at the intersection of US 87 and the FM 400 overpass just outside Tahoka on Sunday afternoon, about 12:30 p.m., after Lubbock authorities notified Lynn County that the vehicle had been reported stolen. Actually, the vehicle's owner saw the Jeep being driven in Lubbock County and called Lubbock authorities, who in turn sought the assistance of Lynn Co. Sheriff's Office to stop the southbound vehicle. Deputies here stopped the vehicle without incident, and arrested the driver, Tanner Cole Bradley, 23, of Lubbock on charges of Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle, and a passenger, Raven Marie Munoz,

21, of Lubbock, on charges of Possession of Drugs (Methamphetamine). The vehicle was released to the owner, of Lubbock.

Tahoka Police are filing with the District Attorney's office for issuance of a warrant for Felony Evading Arrest or Detention in a Motor Vehicle and a Class B Misdemeanor for Duty Upon Striking Fixture, after observing a Tahoka man, 24, driving at a high rate of speed and then speeding away from the officer when he attempted to stop him. On Monday, July 19, the officer was on patrol in the 1600 block of Ave. K traveling northbound approaching Lockwood Street when he observed a white 4-door Hyundai traveling westbound in the 1600 block of Lockwood at an extremely high rate of speed, in the early morning hours. The officer recognized the vehicle and driver, but when he turned on his emergency lights and attempted to stop him, the driver accelerated even faster, traveling westbound on Lockwood and turning off into residential areas. The officer continued following him for several blocks, but as the driver continued to speed and ignore stop signs, going airborne over several intersections with sparks flying from underneath the vehicle when it struck the street, then the officer dropped back and discontinued the pursuit in hopes that the driver would slow down and not strike another vehicle. The case will be filed with the DA's office.

Lynn County Jail held 44 inmates this week, including 32 for Ector County and 12 for Lynn County.

What's new at the Library

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<http://wrls.tsl.state.tx.us/tahoka>

Memorial Given

The City County Library received a memorial this week in memory of Judy Connolly Barker. Thank you for your generous donation.

Awards Ceremony

Summer Reading Awards and Trophies will be presented on Thursday, July 28th at the Library from 5:30 - 6:15. If you participated in Summer Reading you will receive a certificate and a medal with a removable one-dollar gold coin donated by First Bank and Trust. Everyone is invited to help celebrate a successful summer reading program.

Thanks given to Donors for Summer Reading

The City-County Library would like to give a huge thank you to our Super Sponsors: George's Restaurant, Tahoka Donuts, First Bank & Trust and City of Tahoka Pool for your generous support of our children in Lynn County. Your help makes the Summer Reading program a fun and exciting experience for all the children who participate.

Free Science Spectrum Program in Tahoka

All Lynn County children ages 7- 14 are invited to Stargazing in the Science Spectrum Space Bubble. The bubble will be inflated inside the Tahoka Housing Authority 1400 Ave. K August 11th for two showings: 2:00pm and 3:00pm. You must register at the City-County Library to reserve a space. Space is limited, so stop by this week and get registered.

Didgeradoos

... Did you hear the Didgeradoos outside the City-County Library Wednesday? Children learned about the Australian musical instrument during Travel Adventure time and then made their own Didgeradoos. Making new sounds are: Talon Ausbern, Cecil Dunlap, Seth Lee, Michael Heinrich, Sarah Dunlap and Weston Ausbern.



Please visit these Lynn County Churches

Grassland Nazarene Church

2885 CR 25 - Tahoka, TX 79373 • (806) 327-5656, 327-5655
PASTOR: Rev. James Miller
Sunday School - 9:45 am
Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 am
Sunday Evening Worship - 6 pm

Tahoka Trinity Church

1925 Lockwood - Box 1168 - Tahoka • (806) 561-5217
PASTOR: PERRY SHUFFIELD
Sunday School - 9:45 am
Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 am
Sunday Evening Worship - 6 pm
Youth - Sundays at 7 pm
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Tahoka St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church

1829 S. Ave. M - Tahoka, TX 79373 • Office (806) 561-4436
VISITING PASTOR: MONSIGNOR GERRY LEATHAM
DIACON: PETE PASIANGUA, 645-4077
Sunday Mass - 10:00 am • Mondays 6:00 pm ACTS Coed Small Group • Rosary Tuesdays 6:00 pm
Communion Service Wednesdays 6:00 pm
CCE Wednesdays at 6:30 pm • RCIA Thursdays at 7:00 pm
Fridays 6:00 pm Stations of the Cross

First Methodist of Tahoka

1801 Ave. J - Tahoka • (806) 561-4503
Billy Everett, Pastor
SUNDAYS: Sunday School - 9:30 am
Sunday Worship - 10:30 am (Fellowship Hall)
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SERVICES:
Sunday School 10:00 am
Sunday Worship 11:00 am
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm
Wed. Youth/Children's Activities 7:00 pm

New Home United Methodist Church

CURTIS SCHRADER, Pastor
(578) 883-2887
Curtis.Schrader@lcn.com
350 N. Main - New Home, TX 79363
(806) 924-7549
Sunday School 9:45 am • Worship 10:45 am

Look Above

Read Revelation 7:13-17
It was sundown on a Friday when my husband and I completed our long-awaited patio, and we were exhausted. As we sat together on the patio celebrating our achievement, we faced the back of our house. "I don't think I've ever noticed this view of our house, have you?" I asked. "Look above the house," he said, pointing at the huge oak tree hanging over the roof. We built our house so that this 100-year-old oak would be in our front yard because the trunk was so beautiful, but now we were seeing it from a different view. It gave me a whole new perspective. That tree reminds me of our loving Creator. Day after day, we go about our routines of working and taking care of our families, dealing with the disappointments and struggles that life presents, learning to accept the tragedies as well as the blessings of life. We tend to forget that through it all, God covers us, cares for us, and loves us unconditionally. And when we do acknowledge God with praise for the glory of it all, we gain a totally new perspective. ~ Annette McGhee, upperroom.org
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Wilson Jamaica...
Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church had their annual Jamaica last Sunday. Bonnie Schwertner is pictured here trying some trips. "I haven't been to one since I was a kid," Schwertner said. It's a great way to support the community.



4-H Fun ... Congratulations to these Wilson youth: Casen Clark, Paul Guerrero, Nathan Valdez, and Tanner Clark, who represented their Lynn County archery team at the State 4-H Shooting Sports State Games in San Antonio. Competitive events included 3-D, Field, Wand, Mod 600, and Clout.

Wilson school supply list

- Pre-K - Alexander**
1 Box of 8 Large Crayons
1 Box of 8 Short Colored Pencils
1 Set Washable Markers
4 Large Beginner Pencils
4 Glue Sticks
1-4 Pack Play Dough
4 Boxes Kleenex
Backpack
Blanket or Towel
Change of clothes (shirt, shorts or pants; underwear; socks) in a plastic bag. Label the clothes with your child's name in permanent ink

- Kindergarten - Vasquez**
3-24 Count of Crayons
8 Glue Sticks
1 Bottle Glue
1 Pkg of 12 Count #2 Pencils
1 Set Washable Markers
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1 Package of Pink Erasers
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4 Boxes of Kleenex
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- 1st Grade - Walton**
Backpack
1 Box of 12 #2 Pencils
2 Boxes of 24 Count Crayons
1 Box of 12 Colored Pencils
1 Set of Washable Markers
4 boxes of tissues
4 Glue Sticks
1 Bottle of Glue

- 2nd Grade - Reed**
24 Count of #2 Pencils
4 Glue Sticks
2 Boxes of 24 Count Crayons
1 Box 12 Count Colored Pencils
2-Pkg of 4 Color Expo Dry Erase Markers
1 Pkg Multi Color Highlighters
4 Pink Erasers
4 Red Pens
Backpack
4 Boxes of Kleenex

- 3rd Grade - Cortez**
12 Count of #2 Pencils
4 Glue Sticks
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1 Box of 12 Count of Colored Pencils
1 Box of Washable Markers
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- 4th Grade - McInroe**
12-Count of #2 Pencils
4 Glue Sticks
2 Boxes of 24 Count Crayons
1 Box of 12 Count of Colored Pencils
1 Box of Washable Markers
1 Box Fine-Tip Washable Markers
2-Pkg 4 color Dry-Erase Markers
1 Pkg Multi Color Highlighters
4 Pink Erasers
Supply Box or Pencil Pouch
4 Boxes Kleenex
Backpack

- 5th Grade - Goodnough**
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4 Glue Sticks
1 Box of Washable Markers
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1 Pkg Multi-Color-Highlighters
4 Pink Erasers
Supply Box or Pencil Pouch
1 Box Quart Ziploc Bags
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- 6th - 12th Grades**
Pen, pencil, and 1 subject spiral notebook for assignments. Teachers will request other school supplies the 1st week of school.



Summer league ... The Summer League Softball team girls placed third in the Tahoka Tournament that was held July 14 - 16. Pictured back row from left are; Makeah DeLeon, Madison Rose, Kenzie Parks, Marisol Morin, Lizzie Rodriguez, and Aisha Walls. Front row; Karlie Swinford, Taylor Morin, Nadalie Carasco, Serena Ayala, and Riley Casillas. Not pictured are coaches David Ayala, Chad Swinford, and Johnny Morin.

'Step Out' Walk to Stop Diabetes slated for August 11 in Tahoka

Area citizens are invited to participate in the "Step Out - Walk To Stop Diabetes" event on Thursday, Aug. 11, from 6-8 p.m. The walk starts from the grounds of Lynn County Hospital in Tahoka.

This fun event is sponsored by Lynn County Hospital District, and offers a group walk for all participants, kids corner with games and face painting, door prizes and train rides, and a meal of bunless hamburgers with chips, water and apples.

Sign up for a \$10 t-shirt by contacting Johnna Alvarado at the LCHD Family Wellness Clinic, phone 998-4604, or by email at jalvarado@lchdhealthcare.org.

A raffle will also be offered for a chance to win a giant Jenga game, a double-layer German Chocolate Cake and Dinner for Two at Chuy's restaurant. Tickets are \$5 each and are available

for purchase at the Lynn County Hospital cafeteria.

The event is a fundraiser, with all donations going to the American Diabetes Association. Donations may be dropped off at the Family Wellness Clinic at 1809 Lockwood, or brought to the Aug. 11 event.

For more information, contact Johnna Alvarado, or Kathy Grant at Lynn County Hospital, 998-4533.

Lynn County Harvest Festival is Sept. 17, 2016

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DPS commercial vehicle inspections topped 7,790

The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) inspected 7,795 commercial motor vehicles as part of Roadcheck 2016, a national inspection initiative held annually aimed at enhancing commercial motor vehicle safety. The three-day inspection effort was June 7-9 and included DPS Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Troopers, specially trained Highway Patrol Troopers and civilian inspectors.

Approximately 22.5 percent (1,751) of the 18-wheelers, buses and other commercial vehicles inspected were placed out of service for a variety of safety violations until appropriate repairs can be made. Issues with brakes and defective vehicle lighting were among the most common infractions that led to out-of-service violations.

Additionally, drivers were checked for compliance with state and federal laws, and 224 drivers were placed out of service. Among the violations were failing to have the proper type of driver license for the vehicle being driven, improper logging of duty time, and driving over the maximum number of hours.

In all, DPS issued 1,972 citations and more than 20,446 warnings.

Tahoka Middle School Supply List

- 5 - Folders With 2 Pockets & Brads
 - Highlighters
 - Map Colors
 - 4 - Red Pens Or Pencils
 - 4 - Blue Or Black Pens
 - Scissors
 - 4 - Glue sticks
 - Crayons
 - Notebook paper
 - 1 - set plastic page dividers
 - Large box of # 2 PENCILS
 - Erasers
 - Ruler (CM/Inch)
 - 4 - Boxes Kleenex (one for each core class)
 - 4 - Composition Books (100 Pages) English, Science Math & History
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 - 1 - 2 inch Notebook or larger
- No backpacks in the classroom.**


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3-D Band kicks off year with summer band schedule

The award-winning Tahoka 3-D Band is kicking off another music driven year with the start of Summer Band this coming Monday, August 1. Tahoka ISD band students will need to check out instruments between 5-6:00 p.m. on Monday. At 6:00 p.m. all incoming freshmen and Standing in the Gap will meet for marching fundamentals, with a full rehearsal inside for all starting at 6:30 p.m. and ending at 9:00 p.m.

All incoming freshmen band students and Standing in the Gap will also meet on the previous Friday, July 29, from 10:00-12:00 noon for a very important Marching Fundamentals to help prepare them for the start of Summer Band. 3-D Band section leaders and all 3-D seniors will have a short preparatory meeting on Thursday, July 28, from 7:00-7:45 p.m.

Senior Citizen's LUNCH MENU

- August 1-5**
Monday: Taco salad, refried beans, Span. rice, broccoli & cauliflower salad, apricot halves
Tuesday: Chicken fried steak, scalloped potatoes, green peas, salad, fruit cocktail
Wednesday: Swedish meatballs, parsley noodles, mixed veggies, angel food cake w/ strawberries
Thursday: Glazed meatloaf, red potatoes, mixed veggies, country apple crisp
Friday: Breaded fish on a bun, potato wedges, coleslaw, peach chantilly
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 - Donations to benefit the Center are greatly appreciated! All donations are tax deductible.

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Budget session comprises most of county meeting

by **JUANELL JONES**

A budget work session took up most of the time during a regular meeting of Lynn County Commissioners Monday morning, with several other Lynn County officials attending to speak about their budgets.

Lynn County Judge Mike Braddock led the session, with only two of four commissioners present - Keith Wied and Larry Durham. Commissioners John Hawthorne and Don Blair were absent.

Prior to the budget session, Judge Braddock told commissioners that the county's annual road reports had been approved by the Grand Jury, and also informed them that Dyess Air Force Base would soon begin training exercises in this area,

with low-flying B-1 bombers flying as low as 500-ft. for five training flights per week in an area between Tahoka and O'Donnell.

Monthly bills were approved, and then county officials got down to the serious business of the budget work session. County Treasurer Amy Schuknecht informed the court that the county would bring in \$185,000 less revenue than the previous year's revenue, due to this year's effective tax rate being higher than the rollback rate, partly due to the fact that the county would no longer have a debt service tax rate this year since the bond debt was paid off that built the county jail, which was a 9-cent tax rate.

The meeting adjourned after two hours.

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Lots of sun ... a cotton field northwest of Tahoka soaks up lots of heat units as the average high temperature for the month of July was 98.3.

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Wilson class of '71 ... Oliver and Katy Thompson hosted the class of 1971 Wilson High School reunion recently. Pictured are front row: Jimmy Fox, Katy Wuensche Thompson, Sherry Herzog. Middle row: Susan Lane Zant, Beverly Rackler, Sharon Herzog Isham, Nan Steen Wied, Corlis Moerbe Norman. Back row: David Wied, Woody Follis, Lester Gickhorn, Mike Koslan, Troy Melugin.

TISD Board ...

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liability to property damage, automobile/buses damage, and facility damages/losses. Trustees also approved the Student Code of Conduct for the 2016-17 school year.

Prior to the regular board meeting (which started at 9 p.m.), the board held a training session from 6-9 p.m. led by the board's legal counsel David Backus. The "Team of 8 Training" focused on roles and responsibilities of the 7-member Board of Trustees and the Superintendent, as well as accountability, goal setting, ethics, school finance and other issues.

All trustees were in attendance at the training and business meeting, with Dr. Cathy Box, Board President, leading the meeting. Other trustees present were Jim Bingham, Scott Dimak, Doug Green, Clay Taylor, Jon Luna, and Matt Woodley.

The Board met in special session at noon Monday, July 25, approving one-year probationary teacher contracts for the following positions: Craig Williams, HS social studies teacher/boys' coach; Crystal Gutierrez, MS ELA/girls' coach; and Amy Rodriguez, MS ELA (English Language Arts).

The board will meet again on August 11 at 6:30 p.m. for a regular meeting, when trustees are expected to vote on the proposed budget and tax rate, and to vote on the proposed tax rate that will be published in the notice for that public hearing.



Outstanding volunteer ... Mike Rivas (center) of Tahoka was presented the Jim McManigal/Chuck Real Outstanding Swine Volunteer award for his involvement and contributions in the junior swine programs with the Lynn County 4-H and Tahoka FFA. Presenting the award was Denny Belew (left) at the Texas Pork Industry Conference in Kerrville.

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Rivas makes Dean's List

Dane Rivas, a 2015 Tahoka High School graduate and a Sophomore at Texas Tech University made the Dean's List for the Spring 2016 semester.

Rivas is the son of Mike and Paige Rivas and the grandson of Cruz and Olga Rivas and Shirley McInroe, all of Tahoka.

Three seats up for election to New Home Board of Trustees

Applications for a place on the November 8, 2016 General Election Ballot are now available through Monday, August 22, for candidates interested in applying for three positions on the New Home ISD Board of Trustees. Applications are available in the NHISD principal's office from the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Deadline for completing an application is Monday, August 22, at 5:00 p.m.

Each of the three positions are four-year terms. Terms expiring are for Shawn Anderson, Martin Gill and Rachele Link.

Contact New Home ISD Superintendent Shane Fiedler for more information.

Courthouse grant ...

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ress, and democracy. However, many of the state's 240-plus historic courthouses are now in disrepair due to inadequate funding for building care and maintenance.

Since its creation in 1999, the THCPP has partnered with local governments to fully restore 63 historic courthouses in Texas. In addition to providing safe and functional buildings, restoration of historic courthouses benefits the state and local economies. Courthouse preservation projects have created more than 10,000 jobs in Texas and generated more than \$288 million in income. Restored courthouses reinvigorate historic downtowns and promote heritage tourism, a \$7.3 billion industry in Texas.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE LYNN COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BUDGET

The LYNN COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT will hold a public hearing on a proposed budget for the 2017 fiscal year.

The public hearing will be held on **Monday, August 15, 2016** at 8:00 a.m. at the Lynn County Appraisal District Office, 1615 Main Street, Tahoka, Texas.

A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:

The total amount of the proposed appraisal budget.	\$ 109,995.00
The total amount of increase from the current year's budget.	\$ 1,200.00
The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget.	3 <i>(full-time equivalent)</i>
The number of employees compensated under the current budget.	3 <i>(full-time equivalent)</i>

The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the appraisal district.

If approved by the appraisal district board of directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities and towns served by the appraisal district.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies. A copy is also available for public inspection at the appraisal district office.

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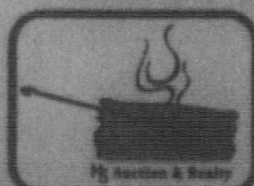
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