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City sets second public hearing for parking regulations

Tahoka City Council will hold their second public hearing Monday for citizen input on a proposed city ordinance regarding parking regulations, an ordinance that the council is considering approving that would regulate the parking of all vehicles (including trailers and RVs) in yards of residences. The hearing will be held at 5 p.m. Monday, August 8, in the community room at City Hall (rear entrance on Ave. J).

Anyone who wants to address the council about this ordinance may sign up at city hall between now and the day of the hearing. Each person who signs up will be allowed five minutes to address this issue during the hearing.

A copy of this ordinance can be downloaded and printed from the city's website, www.tahoka-texas.com, by clicking on the link that reads "City Council Agenda" and then on the "Front Yard Parking Proposed Ordinance for Public Review." Copies are also available at City Hall, 1807 North Main Street.

Now That's FUNNY!

- If God wanted us to fly, He would have given us tickets. -- Mel Brooks
- I cook with wine, sometimes I even add it to the food. -- W. C. Fields
- Best way to get rid of kitchen odors: Eat out. -- Phyllis Diller

What's Outside

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
July 26	99	70	0.10"
July 27	97	70	
July 28	97	70	0.02"
July 29	94	69	
July 30	94	69	
July 31	94	70	
Aug 1	96	72	

(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:	0.49"
Total Precip. for 2016:	11.90"

City awards contract for waterline project

by JUANELL JONES

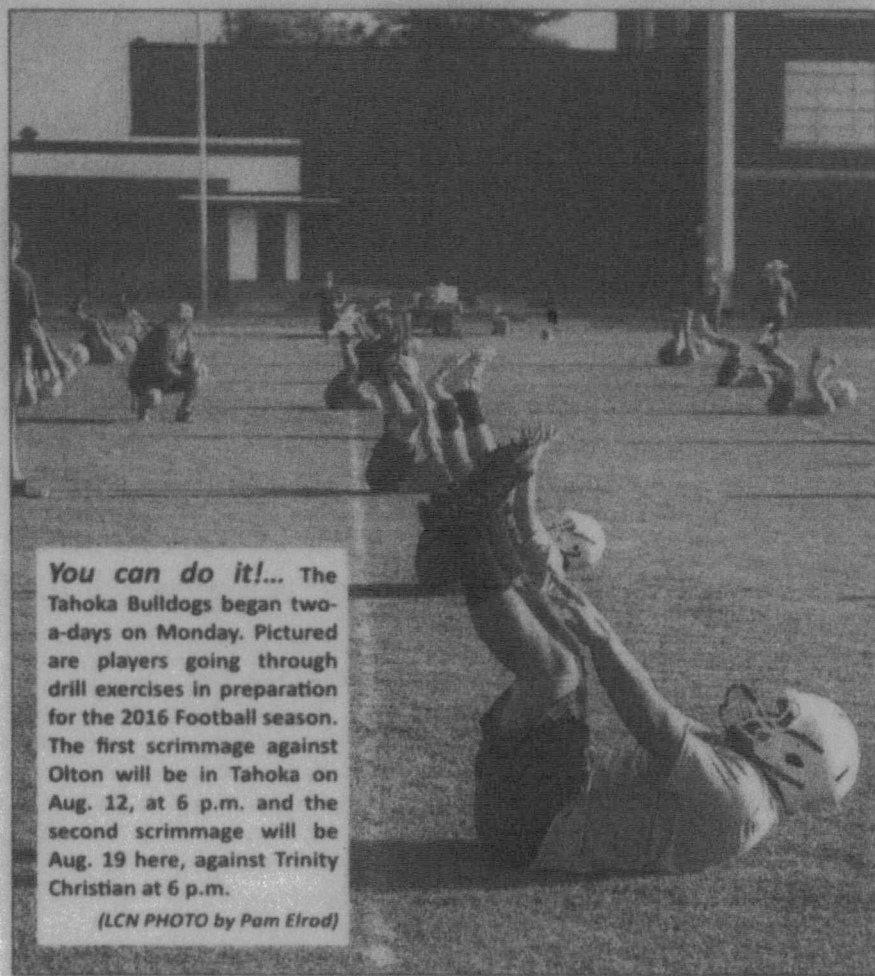
Tahoka City Council awarded a contract to Housely Group of San Angelo for the city's waterline replacement project, in unanimous action taken at Monday night's city council meeting. Housely Group submitted the lowest bid among six bidders for the construction project, at \$5,634,532, and the city's engineer from Wasteline Engineering recommended the company for the award. The next step in the process will be a pre-construction meeting with Housely, Wasteline Engineers and Tahoka city officials to organize the plan for construction of the new waterlines underneath city streets.

"We anticipate that after the pre-construction meeting that we will have a better timeline, but Housely said that most likely they could start the construction phase within the next 45 days after the meeting," City Administrator Jerry Webster told *The News*.

In other business, council members approved a resolution to send

letters to state officials requesting the 85th Texas State Legislature to pass a bill allowing General Law municipalities (such as Tahoka) the freedom to create safety zones around areas children gather in order to protect the youth from registered sex offenders. If passed, the bill would allow cities to designate that sex offenders could not reside within a certain number of feet around schools or other areas where children gather. The council approved the resolution unanimously and signed letters to send to state officials.

The council also scheduled a second public hearing for 5 p.m. Monday, Aug. 8 on a proposed parking ordinance that city officials are considering. Residents are invited to attend the meeting that will be held in the meeting room at city hall. A crowd of more than 30 people attended the first public hearing on the issue several weeks ago, and Webster said that some changes have been made to the proposed ordinance.



You can do it!... The Tahoka Bulldogs began two-a-days on Monday. Pictured are players going through drill exercises in preparation for the 2016 Football season. The first scrimmage against Olton will be in Tahoka on Aug. 12, at 6 p.m. and the second scrimmage will be Aug. 19 here, against Trinity Christian at 6 p.m.

(LCN PHOTO by Pam Elrod)

A PLEA FOR HELP

Local Food Pantry shelves are bare; sponsors ask for food/money donations

The Tahoka Food Pantry, which provides supplemental food for Lynn County residents in need, is short on supplies and sponsors are sending out a plea for help – either by donating food or donating funds to buy food for the local Food Pantry.

"There is such a need right now and the shelves are nearly bare," said Claudia Flippin, one of the organizers at the Tahoka Food Pantry, which is distributed from the Church of Christ building in Tahoka. "We are asking civic groups, Little League teams, Sunday School classes, office groups, ladies groups and school groups to help us – and maybe the football squad, the basketball team, the NHS or Cheerleading group," she added.

Flippin explained that the Tahoka Food Pantry serves all people regardless of race, color, religion or church affiliation. "People from Tahoka, Wilson and New Home come to this building for supplemental food," she said.

SOME FACTS about the Tahoka Church of Christ Food Pantry.

Fact #1: There are hungry people right here in Tahoka – folks who are not sure where their next meal is coming from.

Fact #2: Tahoka has a food bank that serves the entire Lynn County area.

Fact #3: That food bank is dangerously low on supplies due to high demands.

Fact #4: You can help as an individual or as a group.

A bin, designated for food for the Lynn County Food Bank, has been placed at Thriftway Grocery store. Suggested gifts are: rice, flour, sugar, dried beans, pasta, canned goods of all kinds including soup, Spam, tuna, chicken, chili, saltine crackers, peanut butter, jelly and oatmeal. Of course food can also be dropped off at the church, at 2320 Lockwood. Someone will be there to receive donations Monday-Thursday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

"There will also be a booth at the Harvest Festival in September for continuing needs, but we are asking for help now," she stressed. "There are many ways to help. We hope some of these ways will appeal to you and you can help to feed our hungry," she added.

If making a financial contribution would be easier, there are many ways to give. There are accounts set up at The First National Bank and the First Bank and Trust, and the drive-up window ladies will be glad to help make sure the donations

(See A PLEA FOR HELP, page 6)

Caribbean life . . .

Tahoka grad Sabrina Moralez set to attend medical school in Caribbean

by JUANELL JONES

Tahoka's Sabrina Moralez, 23, will soon be boarding a plane bound for the Caribbean and a 3-1/2 year journey that begins a career in medicine, a lifelong aspiration of the young woman who says she has dreamed of becoming a doctor for as long as she can remember. Armed with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from Texas Tech University, she is determined to become a doctor in the field of surgical pediatrics.

"Pediatrics has always been close to my heart, and I find surgery so interesting – I'm guts and gory, that's fun to me!" she says with a delighted grin. "And I want to work with

children. I love their outlook on life," she adds.

She already works with children in her job at Reber & Riley Vision Center in Lubbock, in pediatric vision

therapy, and it's a job she loves doing. She is compassionate and joyful, and has a passion for working with children.

"It is going to be so hard to leave this job, I absolutely love working with these children and have developed such close relationships with them. I've already cried with some of them – and some of their parents – when I told them I am leaving for a medical career," said Moralez.

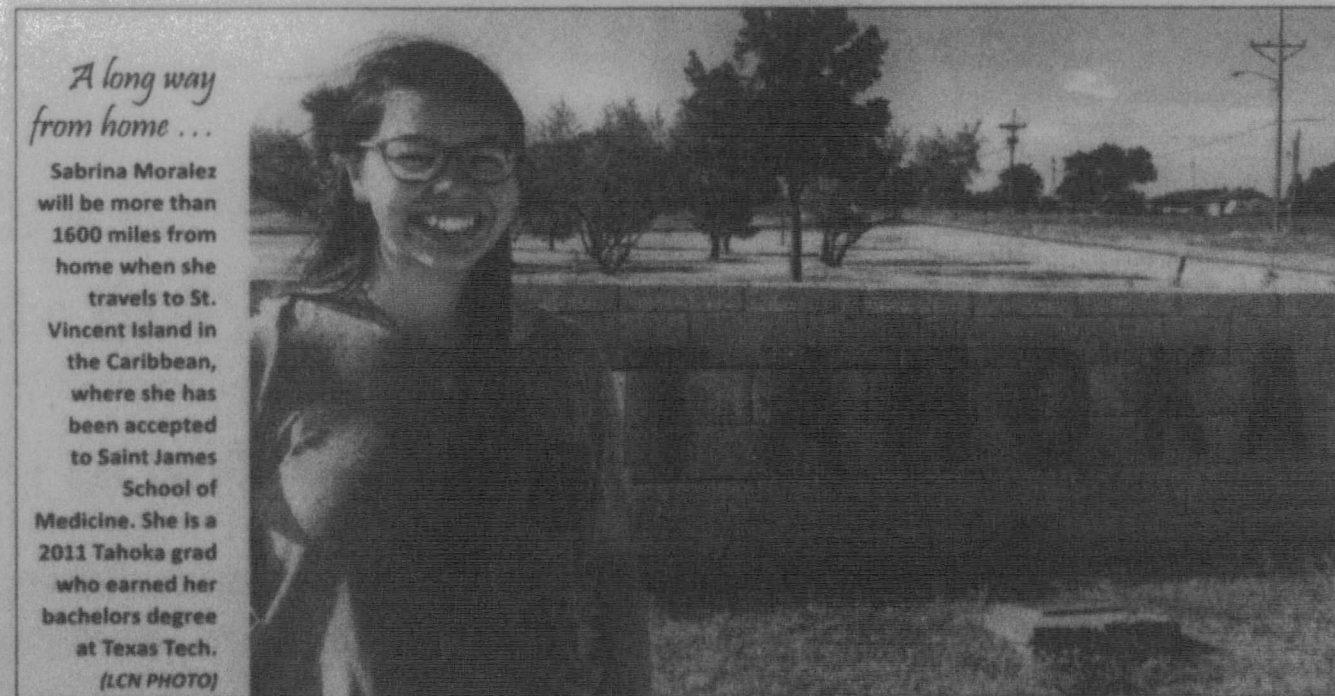
But come Aug. 29, she will be

flying out to St. Vincent Island in the Caribbean, where she has been accepted in Saint James School of Medicine (SJSM), an international medical school, with two Caribbean medical campuses on the islands of Anguilla and St. Vincent and the Grenadines. SJSM students study Basic Sciences at the Caribbean medical campuses then study Clinical Sciences through a clinical rotation program at affiliated hospitals in the United States. The curriculum at Saint James prepares students for the United States Medical Licensure Examination (USMLE) and graduates are eligible to practice as physicians in the US and Canada.

She's never seen the school, and never been to St. Vincent Island. However, after a discussion with her TTU advisor who recommended the possibility, Sabrina decided that the Caribbean school – sight unseen would provide an opportunity for her to continue her education in the medical field.

"At first I thought, no, that's too far away. But after I looked into it, I'm excited about it, and just hoping for the best! I like that they offer a 3-1/2 year program. It is also less expensive than US schools, that's true – but on the down side, I also do not qualify for any traditional student loans because

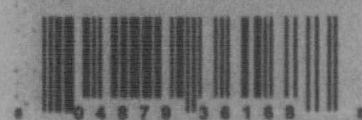
(See CARIBBEAN LIFE, page 6)



A long way from home . . .

Sabrina Moralez will be more than 1600 miles from home when she travels to St. Vincent Island in the Caribbean, where she has been accepted to Saint James School of Medicine. She is a 2011 Tahoka grad who earned her bachelors degree at Texas Tech.

(LCN PHOTO)



Now that's funny!

“Dance like nobody is watching, because they are not . . . they are all checking their phones.”

— ANONYMOUS

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Tahoka ISD sets Back to School night, new student registration

New student registration for Tahoka Elementary School will be held August 9, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Elementary LRC. Parents to bring students certified birth certificate, social security card, shot record and parents driver's license with them when they come to enroll their children. Back to School night will be August 18, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Class lists will be posted at Back to School night at the front entrance of the Elementary building.

The first day of school is Monday, August 22, with the first bell ringing at 7:45 and the tardy bell ringing at 8:05. Breakfast will be served during this time.

School supply list copies are available outside of the elementary front office.

For more information call the Elementary at 561-4350 and high school at 561-4538.



Top readers... The City-County Library Summer Reading program was a big success with the following children earning prizes for being the top readers. Back row from left: Madde DeLeon, Jordan Pledger, Candy Garcia, Mariel Robles, and Truman Hager. Front row: Aali Rodriguez, Cheslea Colwell, Payton Dunlap, and Cason Curry. Not pictured are Abri Rodriguez, Kennedy Filley, Kinley Filley, and Abrianna Velasquez.

'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@lchdhealth-

care.org. A raffle will also be offered for a chance to win a giant Jenga game, a double-layer German Chocolate cake, and a 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.

Cancer program available in Lubbock

Komen Lubbock Area has implemented a program designed specifically for breast cancer survivors, fighters, co-survivors, and caregivers. Connections provides support through meaningful connections that address the impact breast cancer has on a person's emotional and physical health, family, co-survivors, caregivers, and job responsibilities.

Programs available include: 1st Mondays - 7-8 p.m. Discussion group at St. John's United Methodist Church, 15th & University; 2nd Saturdays - 11:45 a.m. - 1 p.m. Yoga at HWY 108, 4410 50th Street; 3rd Mondays - 6-7 p.m. Metastatic discussion group at Second Baptist Church, 6109 Chicago; 4th Thursdays - 4-5 p.m. Discussion group at the Larry Combest Center, 301 40th Street.

For information, visit komenlubbock.org/connections.

NEWS from the Library

CITY-COUNTY LIBRARY
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(inside the Life Enrichment Center)

Summer Reading Awards

Congratulations to all the children who participated in our Summer Reading program. Children received a gold coin donated by First Bank and Trust, a certificate for themselves and one to honor their family for all their support and encouragement to enjoy reading. Children received trophies in four categories for reading books on their grade level. Read to me: 1st Place: Kinley Filley (not pictured), 2nd Place: Kennedy Filley (not pictured), 3rd Place was a tie between Abri and Aali Rodriguez. Kindergarten-1st Grade: 1st

Place: Cason Curry, 2nd Place: Payton Dunlap, 3rd Place: Cheslea Colwell
2nd-3rd Grade: 1st Place: Madde DeLeon, 2nd Place: Abrianna Velasquez, 3rd Place: Jordan Pledger
4th-5th Grade: 1st Place: Truman Hager, 2nd Place: Mariel Robles, 3rd Place: Candy Garcia
Most books read in all age groups: Cason Curry read 200 books at his grade level.

Science Spectrum Space Bubble Sign up for the Science Spectrum will end Tuesday August 9th. If you are already signed up you must confirm by Tuesday August 9th. The Library will call the waiting list on Wednesday to fill any empty spaces.



Overall Top Reader... Cason Curry is pictured with his trophy for the most books read in all age groups, with a total 200 books at his grade level, in the Tahoka City-County Library Summer Reading Program.

Make comments/suggestions to **John Baker, Mayor of Tahoka**
email: TahokaMayor@poka.com

Senior Citizens LUNCH MENU

August 8-12
Monday: Sloppy Joe's, potato salad, carrots & zucchini, creamy fruit square
Tuesday: Roast Beef, baked potato w/ sour cream, buttered carrots, chocolate pudding
Wednesday: Ham & beans, spinach, corn, cornbread, orange pineapple cup, apple crisp
Thursday: Creamy mushroom steak, mashed potatoes, peas & carrots, pears
Friday: Chicken strips, borracho beans, green peas, salad, tropical fruit mix
Mark your calendars...
* Mark your calendars:
Thanksgiving Sunday Dinner will be held August 28, at the Center.
* All donations are tax deductible; we are a 501(c)3 organization.

Attention: New Students!

Tahoka ISD will be having **EARLY ENROLLMENT** for **NEW Elementary students** Tuesday, Aug. 9 • 9:00-12:00 p.m. at the **ELEMENTARY LRC**

for **NEW High School and Middle School Students** Thursday, Aug. 11 • 1-4 pm
Come to the campus your child will be attending and personnel will help get forms filled out.

PARENTS: Bring student's certified birth certificate, social security card, shot records and parent's driver's license.

ELEMENTARY: 561-4350 • TMS & THS: 561-4538

'Did you know' trivia...

- Did you know more people are allergic to cows milk than any other food
- Did you know more people are killed from bees than snakes
- Did you know the Atlantic Ocean is saltier than the Pacific
- Did you know months that start on a Sunday will always have a Friday the 13th

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

Having a Party?

If you need an invitation for a **Baby Shower, Wedding, Anniversary, Birthday Party** or anything else, come by the Lynn County News office and let us help you! We have all kinds of designs to choose from and can help you customize your invitations... all at a low price.

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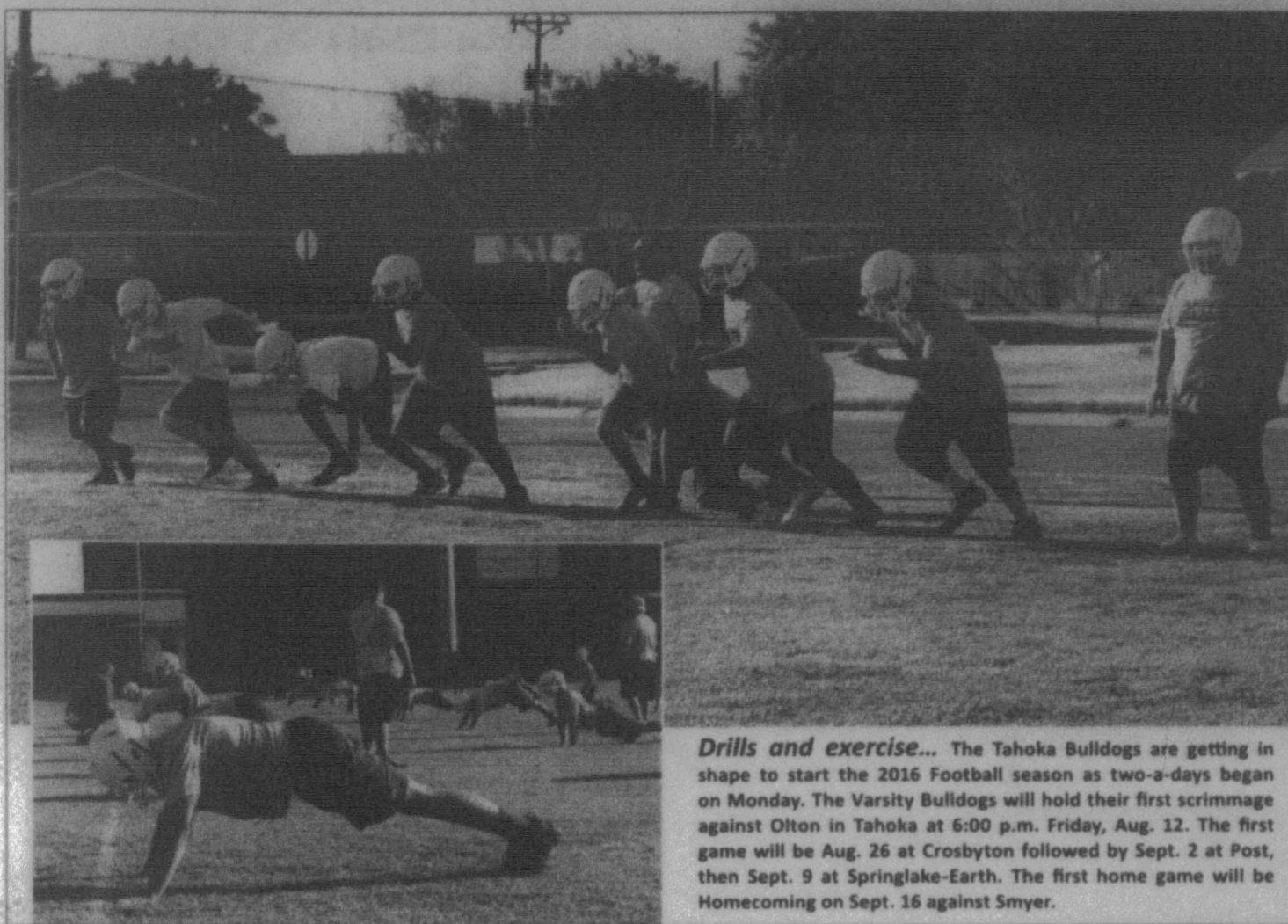
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CALL 806-998-4604 or 806-998-4533
or you can drop off your donation at the Family Wellness Clinic, 1809 Lockwood

Taxing tax rates

by JUANELL J...
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Drills and exercise... The Tahoka Bulldogs are getting in shape to start the 2016 Football season as two-a-days began on Monday. The Varsity Bulldogs will hold their first scrimmage against Olton in Tahoka at 6:00 p.m. Friday, Aug. 12. The first game will be Aug. 26 at Crosbyton followed by Sept. 2 at Post, then Sept. 9 at Springlake-Earth. The first home game will be Homecoming on Sept. 16 against Smyer.

WILSON COMMUNITY NEWS

by Bonnie S. Schwertner

Send news to: bonnie_schwertner_wilson@yahoo.com



Wilson ISD announces new staff members:
 Sarah Alexander – Junior High ELA teacher
 Stefanie Cortez - Grade 2-5 Math teacher
 Brennan Lauritzen – High School Math teacher
 Yolanda Trevino - Custodian
 Laura Walton - 1st Grade teacher
 Veronica Vasquez - Kindergarten teacher

New teaching positions at Wilson ISD are:
 Bobby Oaks - Ag science teacher
 Briana Robinson – Pre-K teacher

Football training begins

Two-a-days has started in Wilson this year. In Coach Chesley and Coach Keith's 3rd year at Wilson, things are moving along well. The boys have been in the same system for three years now and the first week of practice has gone great.

The boys are moving along, and progressing on their tackling, which has been a major fundamental the two coaches have focused on in the last couple of years. The Mustangs have a 3rd football coach this year, Coach Morgan Rickwartz. While she does not have much experience in coaching football, she is really eager to learn and she has stepped right in and is instructing the boys like she has been doing it for years. The Wilson Mustangs currently have 14 boys out for football, and are hoping for a couple more when school starts back up.

The Mustangs have also started cross-country practice this week with 12 athletes out for cross-country this year, the most they have had in several years. Coach Rickwartz is also the head coach for cross-country this year and she and the kids are really excited. Coach Keith and Coach Chesley joined in the cross-country workouts this week, to show the kids that if they could take the heat, the kids could too. The Mustangs have their first scrimmage Saturday, August 13, in Amherst at 10 a.m. The current schedule says Friday, but because of the ref shortage, the scrimmage had to be moved.

Taxing entities studying budgets, property tax rate options for upcoming proposals

by JUANELL JONES

Lynn County taxing entities are in the process of preparing budgets and considering property tax rate options, in preparation for proposing 2016 property tax rates, which must be approved before the end of September. Figures provided by Lynn County Appraisal District show that this year's effective tax rates (which is the rate that would bring in the same total revenue as the previous year) may be slightly lower than current property tax rates.

Lynn County Hospital District's effective tax rate is 0.29227/\$100 of property value, just slightly under the current rate of 0.30, which brought in revenue of \$1,196,977. This year's adjusted tax base has

increased from \$398,992,356 to \$409,173,714, which makes the effective tax rate slightly lower. If LCHD adopts a 2016 tax rate equal to the effective tax of \$0.29227 per \$100 of property value, taxes would increase compared to 2015 taxes by \$14,285.

Lynn County's property tax is currently 0.91700 per \$100 of property value, which includes a 15-cent rate for road/bridge fund. Total effective tax rate for 2016 is 0.942751, but the rollback rate is slightly lower than that, at 0.890392 (which includes 0.163218 road/bridge fund rate) after factoring in a sales tax adjustment rate (for counties that collect an additional sales tax to reduce property taxes). Last year's

total tax base was figured at \$352,866,821, and this year's total tax base is \$342,717,970.

In the four municipalities in Lynn County, current tax rates range from 86-cents (City of Wilson) to 44-cents (City of New Home), and all four cities' effective tax rates are lower than current rates.

For the City of Wilson, last year's tax rate of 0.865505 is about 2-cents higher than this year's effective tax rate of 0.848796, and the rollback rate is 0.916696. The City of Wilson's tax base last year was \$12,441,222, compared to \$12,686,130 this year.

The City of O'Donnell had a tax rate of 0.860357 last year, nearly 3-cents higher than this year's effective tax rate of 0.836059, and a rollback rate of 0.902941. The City of O'Donnell's tax base last year was \$18,089,225, compared to \$18,582,810 this year.

The City of Tahoka had a tax rate of 0.747030 last year, nearly 5-cents higher than this year's effective tax rate of 0.698174, and a rollback rate of 0.754027. The City of Tahoka's tax base last year was \$71,590,521, compared to \$76,582,470 this year.

The City of New Home had a tax rate of 0.449174 last year, 2-cents higher than this year's effective tax rate of 0.424076, and a rollback rate of 0.458001. The City of New Home's tax base last year was \$9,394,147, compared to \$9,950,110 this year.

All figures were provided by the Lynn County Appraisal District. The four school districts in Lynn County have not yet released figures.

Lynn County Harvest Festival is Sept. 17, 2016

To Reserve Booth Space call Rebecca Ingle 806-561-4440

DPS: Leaving children in vehicles can be deadly

The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) reminds people that warmer weather places children at greater risk of injury or death if left unattended in a vehicle. Every year children die from heatstroke after being left in a vehicle or entering a vehicle unnoticed. A child should never be left unattended in a vehicle.

"Because the consequences can be deadly, DPS urges to always make sure children are accounted for and not left behind in a car," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "The public can also do their part by notifying emergency personnel if they witness a child alone or in distress inside a vehicle – regardless of the weather."

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, temperatures inside a car can rise more than 20 degrees in only 10 minutes, even in cooler weather. Leaving windows partially rolled down does not help. In addition, young children are particularly at risk since their bodies heat up faster than an adult.

- Always check the back seats of your vehicle before walking away.
- Establish reminders that help ensure you remove children from the vehicle. For example: leave your bag, lunch or cell phone in the back seat with the child's car seat.
- Call 9-1-1 if you see a child alone in a car.

For more information, visit www.safercar.gov/parents/index.htm.

New scoreboard... Wilson ISD received their new scoreboard at Mustang football field sponsored by FirstBank & Trust and Poka-Lambro. Two-a-days began this week as football season is quickly approaching. Wilson will hold their first scrimmage on Saturday, August 13 at 10 a.m. in Amherst.

Moms, dads, grandparents, football fans:

Bulldog Fantasy Football Camp offers chance to get on the field

It's a chance to get on the football field and relive your dreams – or just to try out your skills on the field. The Bulldog Fantasy Football Camp, a fun event for anyone at least 18 years old and out of high school, will be held Wednesday, Aug. 10 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the THS football field.

Moms, dads, grandparents, and any community members are all invited to participate by registering at the field at 6:45 p.m. Cost is \$10 per person, and the Bulldog Booster Club will serve hot dogs after the camp for all participants, sponsored by Jolly Time.

"Come participate in the Bulldog Fantasy Football Camp! It is your chance to get on the field and relive your dreams," said a representative of the Bulldog Booster Club, which is sponsoring the event. "Participants will take part in drills and learn the offense and defense our Bulldogs will run this year. You will have a chance to put your skills to the test. The camp is open to anyone who wants to support our Bulldogs."

For more information about the Bulldog Fantasy Football Camp, contact Paula Reynolds at 806-392-1980. The camp is sponsored by the Tahoka Athletic Booster Club.

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ATTENTION

I am Michael G. White. My name has been submitted to run as director of Lyntegar Electric Cooperative, District 7. As a resident and farmer in the New Home area, I have been a member of Lyntegar Electric Coop since 1987. My wife and I own and operate a farming operation consisting of 1/2 irrigated and 1/2 dryland acres in Lynn County. I have served as a director for numerous organizations in Lynn County for a combined 45 years, those being: New Home I.S.D., Lynn-Garza County Farm Bureau, New Home Coop Gin and Lynn County NRCS. In addition to the above experience, before returning to the farm, I earned a BBA from Angelo State University and an MBA at Oklahoma City University. I also spent 14 years in the oil and gas industry overseas and stateside. I would like to encourage members of Lyntegar Electric Coop to attend the annual meeting on Tuesday, August 9th at 7:00 p.m. in Tahoka, TX at the Tahoka High School Football Field. I would appreciate your consideration and vote for the Board of Directors, District 7.

Michael G. White

Lynn County 4-H golf tourney set

The Lynn County 4-H golf tournament will be held Saturday Aug. 6 at T-Bar Country Club with tee times at 8:30 a.m. or 1:00 p.m.

The 4-man scramble cost will be \$120 per team. There will be a putting and chipping contest, as well as contests for the longest drive and closest to pin. A meal will be served afterwards. A raffle for a 65 quart Yeti Cooler will be held with tickets being sold for \$5 each or 5 for \$20 from any 4-H member.

For more information, contact the Lynn County Extension office at 561-4562, and to register a team contact T-Bar Country Club at 998-5305.



TMS Cheer Camp... Tahoka Middle School Cheerleaders attended cheer camp at Frenship High School last week. Shown here with their Spirit Awards are, from left: Karlie Swinford, Rylee Vega, Kristen Coronado, Madison Rose, Marisol Morin and Kylie McNeely.

WIN A GUN

Buy your raffle tickets from any Wilson VFD Firefighter or at The Lynn County News office in Tahoka. The gun raffle will be for two chances to win - either a Keltec KSG 12 ga Shotgun, or a Taurus "The Judge" 410/45 Colt with laser. Tickets are \$5 each or 6 for \$25. Ticket sales will benefit the Wilson Volunteer Fire Dept., with the drawings to be held Sept. 18.

Save the Date!

Lynn County Courthouse Centennial Celebration August 27, 2016

A celebration recognizing the 100th anniversary of the building of the courthouse!

Pages from the Past

By Vondell Elliott

Excerpts taken from past issues of THE LYNN COUNTY NEWS.

Five FFA Youths Will Receive High Awards At Dallas

Five Tahoka High School boys, all students of Vocational Agriculture and active in the Tahoka Future Farmers of America, are due to receive the degree of Lone Star Farmer at the annual state FFA convention being held in Dallas this weekend. This is the highest honor award in the state organization. Only one Tahoka boy has qualified previous to this year for the high honor, and the local teacher, V.P. Carter, thinks it remarkable that five qualified from this school this year.

The five Tahoka boys who were expected to receive the Lone Star Farmer award are: Duane Carter, Jimmy Small, Gerald Wayne Tippit, Delwyn Tunnell and Robert Adamson.

To qualify for the award, an FFA member must have made over \$250 net profit on his projects and have that sum either in the bank or reinvested in live-

stock and must have shown outstanding ability in leadership, cooperation, and scholarship.

July 22, 1949

Louise Massey Will Play In Tahoka

Louise Massey, the glamour section of the popular "Louise Massey and the Westerners" radio program is to make a personal appearance on the stage of the Tahoka Rose Theatre Sunday, August 21.

This will be one of her first personal appearances in Texas, most of her personal appearances having been in New York and Canada.

Aug. 19, 1949

Sheriff "Slick" Clem Honored At Rodeo

At the closing program of the O'Donnell rodeo last Saturday night, Sheriff "Slick" Clem was awarded first place as the ideal cowboy - and those who saw him perform declare that it was no empty unearned honor. They

say that Slick really earned his spurs.

The sheriff was riding a beautiful Palomino. When he mounted the animal to show off in this contest, somebody gave the steed a stinging rap or did something to him to stir his hot blood, and they say that the brute proceeded to do some tall and furious bucking, but "Slick" stayed with him, to the surprise and admiration of the crowd.

Sept. 2, 1949

Three Win Texas 4-H Championships

In recognition of their outstanding 4-H records in girls' record, poultry and safety, two Texas rural boys and a girl have been named 1945 state champions in their respective club activities. The winners and brief outlines of their records follow:

Marilee Dufek, 18, of Dallas, is rewarded for her outstanding "all around" achievements in the National 4-H Girls' Record Activity.

Bruce Gibson, 15, of Turkey, is Texas' first state winner in the new National 4-H Poultry Achievement Activity.

Buddy Gene Bragg, 16, of Tahoka, has been named to represent the state for a sectional award of a Club Congress trip in the General Motors 4-H Farm Safety Activity. The boy's achievements in safety work include preventing fire by plowing guards around pastures and keeping down weeds near buildings, fences and feedstock. He used safe practices in working around farm machinery. He is president of the county 4-H Rifle Club, and supervises a club organized in the Tahoka Negro schools.

Dec. 14, 1945

Showing at the Rose and Wallace Theatres on January 11, 1946:

At the Rose: "Jungle Captive" starring Otto Kruger; plus "Simple Simon Mystery River Boat," Chapter No. 1 and "Monster and the Ape" Chapter No. 15. On Sunday and Monday: "Pride of the Marines" with John Garfield, Eleanor Parker and Dane Clark. On Tuesday: Vonita Granville and Noah Berry Jr. in "The Beautiful Cheat." Wednesday & Thursday: Bud Abbott & Lou Costello in "The Naughty Nineties."

At the Wallace: Friday & Saturday - "Man From Music Mountain" with Roy Rogers and Trigger; plus "Mouse Goes To Dinner;" and "Raiders of Ghost City" Chapter No. 10. On Sunday and Monday: Olsen and Johnson in "See My Lawyer." On Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: Humphrey Bogart and Ann Sheridan in "It All Came True."

Junior Class Play Is Next Thursday

The Junior class will present "Mamma's Baby Boy," a three act comedy by Charles George, Thursday night, February 21 in the High School Auditorium.

The cast includes: Dolores Nowlin, George Small, Nan Weathers, Noah Cromer, Jo Ann Hendersor, Margie Tomlinson, Donald Akin, Mary Adamson, Bobbie Lynch and Lloydine Edwards.

Imagine the resulting fun when an attractive young widow of forty makes her eighteen-year-old son dress and pose as a boy of fourteen so that she may pass as a young woman and marry a widower whom she supposes to be wealthy. The widower, also trying to appear younger, has his seventeen-year-old daughter pose as a girl of thirteen so that he can win the

Tahoka man arrested after assaulting officer

by JUANELL JONES

A 20-year-old Tahoka male was arrested on several charges, including assault on a public servant, after a Tahoka Police Officer was injured while trying to subdue the man during a domestic disturbance in the 900 block of Avenue E in Tahoka Monday night about 10:30 p.m. Officer Jeff Parker related the following details in a report this week:

"Upon arrival I met with four victims, and was advised that the 20-year-old male had assaulted his mother with a table, striking her in the facial area, and his father by injuring his neck when he attempted to restrain him. I was also advised he interfered with an emergency 9-1-1 call being placed by his grandmother, by grabbing her phone and damaging it. I was told that when he left the residence he told his family

members he 'would return to burn the trailer down with everyone in it.' He was being followed by his grandfather, and the 20-year-old subject threw a rock, damaging the right passenger window of a white Ford Expedition.

"A deputy arrived to assist, and I located the subject a few minutes later inside a residence on South 6th Street. I attempted to detain him by placing one handcuff on him and he became combative by striking me and we struggled, where I struck my head on a cinderblock, creating an open wound. I was able to create distance from the subject and the deputy deployed a Taser, immobilizing the subject where I could take him into custody," Parker's report stated.

The man was arrested on six charges, including two charges of Assault Causing Bodily Injury to a Family Member (mother and father), Interference of a 9-1-1 Call, Terroristic Threat, Criminal Mischief, and Assault on a Public Servant.

Lynn County Sheriff's Communications staff answered a total of 314 calls during the month of July, including 131 for Lynn County, 101 for City of Tahoka, 32 for Animal Control, 25 for EMS, 14 for City of O'Donnell, and 11 for the Fire Dept.

Lynn County Jail held 44 inmates during the last week, including 12 for Lynn County and 32 for Ector County. Charges included one for unauthorized use of a vehicle, two for possession of drugs, one for criminal trespass, and one for application to revoke probation on DWI 2nd offense or more.

'Did you know' facts!

Did you know the Grand Canyon can hold around 900 trillion footballs

Did you know all the blinking in one day equates to having your eyes closed for 30 minutes

Did you know your foot has 26 bones in it

Did you know the average human brain contains around 78% water

Did you know 1 nautical knot equates to 1.852 Kph (1.150 mph)

Did you know if you add up all the numbers from 1 to 100 consecutively (1 + 2 + 3...) it totals 5050

Did you know sponges hold more cold water than hot

Did you know lightning strikes the Earth 6,000 times every minute

Did you know fire usually moves faster uphill than downhill

Did you know cats have over 100 vocal chords

Did you know camel's milk doesn't curdle

Did you know elephants sleep between 4-5 hours in 24-hour period

Did you know it's possible to lead a cow up stairs but not down

widow whom he supposes to be rich. Everyone gets into hot water, especially when the deception is discovered on both sides.

Feb. 15, 1946

God's Clothes Closet

OPEN at 9:00 am every 1st & 3rd SATURDAY of the month for those needing clothing. (Please use West entrance.)

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

The Tahoka Housing Authority owns and operates the 24-unit West Gate Apartment Complex located in the 2100 block of North 7th Street in Tahoka, Texas.

Applicants for these apartments must meet all the eligibility requirements as set out by the USDA Rural Development.

Rental Assistance may be provided by USDA Rural Development. Applications for these apartments can be picked up at the main office of the Tahoka Housing Authority located at 1400 Ave. K in Tahoka, Texas. Applications are accepted during our regular business hours of 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. and 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. Monday-Thursday or by mailing your completed application to P.O. Box 238, Tahoka, TX 79373.

Personas que hablan espanol y requieren un interprete, favor llamar a Bill Miller, al siguiente numero (806) 561-4716.

Para solicitar un apartamento favor llamar a, Bill Miller, al siguiente numero (806) 561-4716. Para solicitar una adaptacion o modificacion razonable, favor llamar, Bill Miller, al siguiente numero (806) 561-4716.

Bill Miller Executive Director Tahoka Housing Authority



West Gate Apartments provides Equal Housing Opportunities and comply with the Fair Housing Laws. The Tahoka Housing Authority is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Tahoka ISD will receive sealed proposals for Construction Management-at-Risk for the following generally described scope of work:

- Construction of a new middle school classroom building.
- Construction of a new high school auditorium.
- Renovations to the elementary school.
- Demolition of existing 3-story middle school.

Sealed proposals (prepared according to the Instructions to Proposers) will be received by Dr. George McFarland, Tahoka ISD, 2129 N. Main St., Tahoka, TX until 2:00 P.M., local time, August 16, 2016. The Proposals will then be opened and read aloud. Any proposals received after the deadline will be returned to the sender unopened.

Digital documents will be available beginning August 3, 2016. These will be available for download at no charge and may be secured from Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc. by contacting Nancy Looney, nlooney@team-psc.com, 432.697.1447.

A pre-proposal conference will be held on August 9, 2016 at Tahoka ISD Administration Building at 2:00 p.m., local time. Attendance by prospective bidders is not mandatory.

NOTICE OF EFFECTIVE TAX RATE

2016 Property Tax Rates in Lynn County Hospital District

This notice concerns 2016 property tax rates for LYNN COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE:		GENERAL FUND
Last year's operating taxes	\$	1,196,977.07
Last year's debt taxes	\$	0.00
Last year's total taxes	\$	1,196,977.07
Last year's tax base	\$	398,992,356.00
Last year's total tax rate	\$	0.300000/\$100

THIS YEAR'S EFFECTIVE TAX RATE:		
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$	1,195,719.41
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$	409,173,714.00
= This year's effective tax rate	\$	0.292227/\$100

(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)

THIS YEAR'S ROLLBACK TAX RATE:		
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$	1,195,719
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$	409,173,714
= This year's effective rate	\$	0.292227/\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$	0.315605/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$	0/\$100
= This year's total rollback rate	\$	0.315605/\$100

STATEMENT OF INCREASE / DECREASE

LYNN COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT adopts a 2016 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of 0.292227 per \$100 of value, taxes would INCREASE compared to 2015 taxes by 14,285.00.

SCHEDULE A - Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

TYPE OF PROPERTY TAX FUND	GENERAL
BALANCE	\$ 0.00

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at LYNN COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT, 1615 Main Street - Tahoka, Texas 79373. Name of person preparing this notice: Chief Appraiser: MARQUITA SCOTT, RPA/RTA. Date prepared: JULY 25, 2016

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BAKE SALE Saturday 9-?
(Tahoka Thriftway)
For Sabrina Moralez. Sabrina will be attending St. James School of Medicine in the Caribbean this fall. Proceeds are to help with expenses for fall semester. Lots of good treats will be sold and will also accept donations. Your help is greatly appreciated!

GARAGE SALES

4 Family Garage Sale
1628 N 5th St.
Friday - 9am-3pm
Saturday - 8am-3pm
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Cool Dog Facts

Dogs do dream! Dogs and humans have the same type of slow wave sleep (SWS) and rapid eye movement (REM) and during this REM stage dogs can dream. The twitching and paw movements that occur during their sleep are signs that your pet is dreaming.

No night vision goggles needed! Dogs' eyes contain a special membrane, called the tapetum lucidum, which allows them to see in the dark.

Pitter patter. A large breed dog's resting heart beats between 60 and 100 times per minute, and a small dog breed's heart beats between 100-140. Comparatively, a resting human heart beats 60-100 times per minute.

If your dog's acting funny, get out the umbrella! According to a Petside.com/Associated Press poll, 72% of dog owners believe their dog can detect when stormy weather is on the way.

It's not a fever...A dog's normal temperature is between 101 and 102.5 degrees Fahrenheit.

Is something wet? Unlike humans who sweat everywhere, dogs only sweat through the pads of their feet.

Here's looking at you. Dogs have three eyelids, an upper lid, a lower lid and the third lid, called a nictitating membrane or "haw," which helps keep the eye moist and protected.

Americans love dogs! 62% of U.S. households own a pet, which equates to 72.9 million homes.

Move over Rover! 45% of dogs sleep in their owner's bed (we're pretty sure a large percentage also hog the blankets!).

Why are dogs' noses so wet? Dogs' noses secrete a thin layer of mucus that helps them absorb scent. They then lick their noses to sample the scent through their mouth.

Yummy! Dogs have about 1,700 taste buds. Humans have approximately 9,000 and cats have around 473.

A PLEA FOR HELP ...

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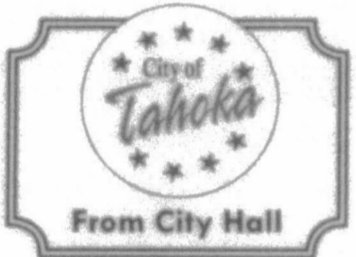
are given to the Food Bank account. Or, checks may be mailed to the Church of Christ with Food Bank designated on the check, to P.O. Box 1177, Tahoka TX 79373.

The church has also provided online access for giving donations. To give online, please go to their website at tahoka-church.com and scroll down to find the EasyTithe link, then select Food Pantry Fund.

Flippin also said that people are welcome to consider the Food Pantry when honoring someone or setting up a memorial.

"Please help us now, and then look for our booth at the Harvest Festival to be sure our beloved kids and elderly, especially, have the food they need," Flippin pleads.

For more information, call Claudia Flippin at 806-795-1878, or e-mail her at cflippin@poka.com.



SECOND-PUBLIC HEARING on Parking Regulations:

Ordinance Adding Chapter "Parking Regulations" to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Tahoka, Texas.

This is a proposed ordinance that will regulate the parking of all vehicles in yards of residences. A copy of this ordinance can be downloaded and printed from the city's website, www.tahoka-texas.com, or you can get a copy at city hall, 1807 North Main Street. A public hearing on this proposed ordinance will be held on Monday, August 8, 2016 at 5:00 PM in the community room at city hall. Anyone wishing to address the council about this ordinance may sign up at city hall between now and the day of the hearing. Every person will be allowed five minutes to address this issue.

Entry to the public hearing room will be located at the rear of city hall (on Avenue J). The entry will be marked by a sign that reads "Community Room." If you have any questions please contact Tahoka City Hall at 806-561-4211.

Watch that plate of cookies! A dog's sense of smell is 10,000-100,000 times more acute than that of humans.



Lonestar Degree ... Tahoka FFA member Olivia Hammonds (right) received her Lonestar Degree at the 88th Texas FFA Convention in Dallas. This is the highest degree of membership the State FFA Association can award. Olivia qualified for her Lonestar with her Cattle Production SAE project. She also currently serves as the reporter for the Mesa District FFA Association. The daughter of Marty and Dina Hammonds, Olivia is pictured with Area 2 State FFA Officer Alec Winfrey.

Caribbean life ...

(Continued from page 1)

it is out of the country. So, it's more of a personal loan that I will have to get, and I'm already set up for a payment plan. I was determined to graduate debt-free from Tech, and I did, knowing that when I continued my medical studies that at least I would be starting with zero debt. I know it's going to get expensive, but I just have to know that whatever it takes to get through school will be worth it in the long run," she says.

She is doing everything she can to make ends meet - even a family-sponsored bake sale at the Tahoka Thriftway grocery store this Saturday morning.

"Every little bit helps," she says with a laugh. "Everything is pretty much out of pocket at this point. But, in the long run, I think it will be less expensive than schools in the US."

Her parents are Carlos and Gloria Moralez of Tahoka. Dad works for Crop Production Services in Tahoka, and Mom is employed at Lynnwood Independent & Assisted Living Center in Tahoka. Sabrina has two older sisters - Tiffany and Sonia - and a younger brother, Carlos.

Sabrina graduated from Tahoka High School in 2011, and from TTU in December 2015. She has already been talking with an advisor at SJSU

on a weekly basis, and is also involved in a "buddy system" program for incoming students, which helps in the transition for students moving to the island.

"I've been face timing with my 'buddy' and she is definitely making things easier for me, and will help me get settled and find a place to live," she said.

She will miss her family, and her fiancée, whom she says are 100 percent behind her and supporting her in this endeavor, but she is determined to reach her goals.

"I am so excited ... it's an adventure for me," she says, laughing. "I'm ready!"

Cool Dog Facts

It's not so black and white. It's a myth that dogs only see in black and white. In fact, it's believed that dogs see primarily in blue, greenish-yellow, yellow and various shades of gray.

Did you hear that? Sound frequency is measured in Hertz (Hz). The higher the Hertz, the higher pitched the sound. Dogs hear best at 8,000 Hz, while humans hear best at around 2,000 Hz.

Express yourself. Dogs' ears are extremely expressive. It's no wonder! There are more than a dozen separate muscles that control a dog's ear movements.

Growing up. While the Chow Chow dogs are well known for their distinctive blue-black tongues, they're actually born with pink tongues. They turn blue-black at 8-10 weeks of age.

Why do they do that? When dogs kick after going to the bathroom, they are using the scent glands on their paws to further mark their territory.

No, it's not just to make themselves look adorable. Dogs curl up in a ball when they sleep due to an age-old instinct to keep themselves warm and protect their abdomen and vital organs from predators.

Breathe easy. In addition to sweating through their paw pads, dogs pant to cool themselves off. A panting dog can take 300-400 breaths (compared to his regular 30-40) with very little effort.

NEWS from the Field

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Special Report Sugarcane Aphid is here and EXPLODING

On Friday (July 29), late afternoon, I checked a milo field east of Tahoka. I encountered SCA in populations of about 10-20 on about 20% of the plants. Each little colony had a winged adult (alate) with it. There was very little honeydew, but there were a few leaves with some shiny specks on them.

Yesterday, Monday August 1, I went back to check this field again and the SCA had exploded over the weekend. Where there were 10-20 aphids there were now 100's and even thousands on some leaves with 100 percent of the plants infested to some degree. There were areas with heavy honeydew. The larger infestations were in mid-canopy. The field is being treated.

I found a single lady beetle adult - which even if mad can't keep up. In our area, we are not seeing very many beneficial insects or spiders in the scouting program fields (cotton or milo).

The message watch those SCA populations closely as they will EXPLODE, especially with nothing to keep them in check.

Refer to the July 8th ICM newsletter for an article on Managing the SCA on the High Plains.

To keep up to date on happenings with the Sugarcane Aphid go to the blog at: <http://txscan.blogspot.com/>

Current Conditions

Seventy percent of our program fields are now in bloom.

Insect activity remains very light to non-existent.

We are starting to see some fields with bacterial blight and fields that are showing the effects of nematodes. These type problems start showing up as the plants become more stressed and its needs (water and nutrients) are lacking.

Sugarcane aphid has now been detected in Lynn County - approaching levels where management decisions will need to be made.

First Bloom and NAWF

As the plant starts flowering, measurement of the height/node ratio becomes less important, and nodes-above-white-flower (NAWF) measurement becomes more important as a plant-monitoring tool.

NAWF at first bloom provides one of the most accurate mid season predictors of yield. The cotton plant needs to be growing rapidly at first bloom. Vigorous cotton plants have more momentum or "horsepower" to take the plant further into the fruiting cycle before cutout. The method to measure this horsepower is NAWF.

NAWF count starts at the node with the upper most first position white flower. A first position white flower is the flower on the first fruiting position closest to the main stem. This node is counted as 0 and nodes are counted to the top of the plant stopping with the node, which has the terminal main stem leaf as large or larger than a quarter.

As the plant develops, flowering will slowly (hopefully) advance toward the plant terminal. The speed of the advance varies, but should be approximately one NAWF per week. As flowering progresses up the plant, terminal growth will also progress, but at a slower rate. The objective of insuring good yields is to keep the plant in a fruiting mode and to slow the advance of the white flower toward the terminal of the plant.

At early bloom, NAWF on most full season picker varieties should range between 8 and 12 and on short season stripper varieties, should equal 7 to 10 nodes. As boll loading progresses, NAWF declines. Rate of decline is important; a rapid decline indicates the plant is experiencing severe stress. If NAWF was high at first bloom, this decline could be due to boll loading and high demand for nutrients and water. When NAWF does not decline after first bloom, or it increases, the boll load is not developing sufficiently to hold the plant back. Boll loss could have been from lack of adequate moisture, cloudy days, lack of enough heat units, or insect damage.

'Did you know' trivia ...

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- Did you know a bear has 42 teeth.

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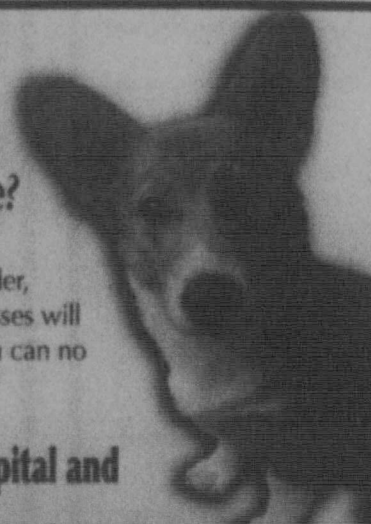
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