



Walking for a good cause ...

Pictured here are a few of the 200 participants who helped raise \$2,836 to give to the American Diabetes Association, in the 3rd Annual Diabetes Walk sponsored by Lynn County Hospital District. Participants gathered at the hospital parking lot in Tahoka last Thursday evening and walked through surrounding neighborhoods. LCHD staff organized the event.

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Where now?

Where are Tahoka High School exes, and what are they doing now? Send us a few sentences about any Tahoka ex, and tell us what year they graduated and where they are now, what job they have, etc., and we will publish in our Sept. 15 issue just prior to Tahoka's Homecoming. Share the good news!
Email to: LynnCoNews@poka.com

Booster club to paint paw prints Saturday

The Tahoka Athletic Booster Club will be painting Bulldog paw prints this Saturday. All members and volunteers are asked to meet at the field house at 8 a.m.

To purchase a paw print contact any booster club member or contact Paula at 392-1980 or the Booster Club Facebook page.

Scrimmage set Friday

The Tahoka Bulldogs will host Trinity Christian in a scrimmage here Friday, at 6 p.m.

What's Outside

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Aug 9	99	69	
Aug 10	93	70	
Aug 11	94	71	0.10"
Aug 12	98	74	
Aug 13	93	70	
Aug 14	90	64	
Aug 15	83	62	

(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 Aug:	0.10"
Total Precip. for 2016:	12.00"

August 27 Centennial Celebration to observe 100th birthday of Lynn County Courthouse

A Centennial Celebration in honor of the 100th year anniversary of the building of the Lynn County Courthouse will be observed on Saturday, Aug. 27, and all Lynn County residents are invited to attend. The Lynn County Historical Commission is sponsoring the event.

The fun starts at 9:00 a.m., when citizens are encouraged to come to the courthouse in downtown Tahoka to board a bus bound for Tahoka Lake (the bus leaves at 9 a.m., so don't be late). At Tahoka Lake, ceremonies will be conducted to commemorate the placement of a large arrow designating the trail of Comanche Chief Quanah Parker. Ron Parker, a descendant of the legendary Indian Chief, will preside over the Quanah Parker Arrow Blessing ceremony.

The bus will return to the courthouse afterwards, where tours of the historical building will be available to any citizen. Lunch will be served on the grounds of the courthouse starting at 11:30 a.m., at a cost of \$6 per plate. RSVPs for the lunch are encouraged (not required, but helpful), by calling District Clerk Sandra Laws at 561-4274 or County Judge Mike Braddock at 561-4222. The catered meal will include a choice of either a chopped brisket sandwich or shredded chicken sandwich, chips and a drink.

Dedication ceremonies will be held immediately following lunch, and will include some historical background on the courthouse, as well as remarks from various dignitaries.



Four accidents reported in county; man awakened in vehicle gets DWI

by JUANELL JONES

Four accidents in the county were reported by law enforcement agencies during the past week, one man was jailed on a recent grand jury indictment, and a Lubbock man was arrested for DWI after he fell asleep in his vehicle parked in Tahoka, and then drove off when officers knocked on his window. Tahoka Police Chief Miguel Reyna also warns citizens that the Tahoka Police Department will be participating in a "Don't Drink and Drive" DWI enforcement campaign sponsored by TxDOT during Aug. 19-Sept. 5th.

Benito Gonzales, 34, of Tahoka, was arrested on Grand Jury Indictment for Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle. He was one of 11 Lynn County inmates incarcerated in Lynn County Jail during the past week, which also held 31 inmates for Ector County.

Two accidents in the county and two in Tahoka were investigated by officers this week. On Monday, Aug. 8, a blowout caused a truck pulling a horse trailer to jackknife on US 87, about a half mile south of O'Donnell at 4:11 p.m. The two horses in the trailer were reported to be unharmed, and no injuries were reported in the incident.

An 18-wheeler flipped last Thursday, Aug. 11, at 6:38 p.m. on US 87, approximately 2-3 miles north of O'Donnell near County Road 32. EMS was not called, and no injuries were reported.

Saturday evening about 7:15 p.m., Aug. 13, a truck driven by Rachel Ledesma reportedly struck a parked vehicle in the Thriftway parking lot in Tahoka, owned by Eloisa Quintero. No injuries were reported.

And, at 8:15 Tuesday morning, Aug. 16, a 2014 blue Ford F150 pickup driven by Randy Erickson, 66, of Tahoka, failed to yield right of way as he was turning from the US 87 East Access Road onto South 2nd Street, striking a white 2006 Pontiac driven by Billie Jo Montez, 48. Both vehicles

were reportedly damaged to the extent that neither was drivable, but no injuries were reported.

A man who fell asleep in a vehicle parked in the parking lot of the Tahoka Activity Center at 1121 Ave. L was arrested for Driving While Intoxicated after a somewhat unusual occurrence. Tahoka Police Officer Josh Parrish was in the parking lot at 11:30 p.m. Saturday night while an event was going on in the center, and noticed three males knocking on, and yelling towards, a gray 2016 Toyota Corolla parked in a row of vehicles. They continued knocking on the windows and yelling in an attempt to wake another man who was in the front passenger seat of the locked vehicle.

Officer Parrish and Officer Jeff Parker came over to investigate and were advised by the men outside the vehicle that "their friend had drunk too much earlier in the evening, and had passed out in the front passenger seat of his vehicle with the keys." The three males said that they were wanting to leave the event but that they could not awaken their friend.

The report said, "After several minutes of knocking and yelling, the subject sat up and pressed the ignition button, starting the car, but then laid back down in the passenger seat. At this point, the officers came over to investigate the commotion. Officer Parker approached the front passenger window and began knocking. After several seconds, the subject sat straight up, climbed across the center console into the driver's seat, and immediately took off to the north through the parking lot at a high rate of speed.

"The Tahoka Activity Center does not have an exit on the north side of the parking lot, and there were a number of vehicles parked in the northern portion of the parking lot, as well as on the south curb of South 5th Street. As the driver turned right and peeled out northbound, Officer Parrish heard

TISD Board sets proposed tax rate, approves superintendent's contract

Tahoka Independent School District Board of Trustees met in regular session last Thursday night, approving a proposed tax rate of \$1.456 and setting a public hearing for community input on the issue, and voting to extend Superintendent Dr. George McFarland's contract for another year in a split-decision by the board. Prior to the regular board meeting, the board held a budget workshop at 5:30 p.m. where the superintendent went over the proposed budget and proposed tax rates for the upcoming school year.

In regular session, the board approved the proposal of the Maintenance & Operations (M&O) tax rate to be \$1.17, and the Interest and Sinking (I&S) tax rate to be \$.286, for a total tax rate of \$1.456 for the 2016-17 school year, and those values will be used in the district's required publica-

tion of its Notice of Public Hearing to discuss the proposed tax rates and proposed budget. Interested parties can find the district's proposed budget on the district's website under the "Department" banner and then clicking "Business."

Trustees set a public hearing for 6 p.m. Monday, August 29, to allow citizens an opportunity for input about the district's proposed tax rates and proposed budget. The hearing will take place at the Harvick administration building on Main Street. At 6:30, following the public hearing, trustees will meet in special session to vote on the proposed budget and to set the tax rates.

According to figures in the TISD Notice of Public Hearing printed in this issue of *The News*, the total appraised value of property in the school

(See TISD TAX RATE, page 6)



FNB donates funds to Food Pantry ...

Tahoka First National Bank (FNB) presents a check to the Tahoka Church of Christ Food Pantry, to help restock food supplies due to high demands for food in Lynn County. Pictured are, front row from left: FNB President Worth Whitworth giving a check to Claudia Flippin, representing the Food Pantry, and FNB employees Lela Gass, Wayla Bueermann, Jo Beth Renfro, Dana McKay, and Janis Thomas; and in back, Dawn Little, Pam Hilger, Cindy Dorman, and Hope Casarez. "First National Bank is happy to help Lynn County," said Whitworth. The donation is from the employees of the bank as well as the Board of Directors.



Now that's funny!

Reality continues to ruin my life.

-BILL WATTERSON, THE COMPLETE CALVIN AND HOBBES

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Obituaries



Karen Heisser

Karen Amelia Heisser departed this life on August 9, 2016 in the presence of family and friends at the age of 84.

She was born in Des Moines Iowa and raised in Boulder Colorado. She served in and was honorably discharged from the US Army. She was a long time member of the Catholic Church.

She is preceded in death by her husband of 59 years John Heisser.

She was a loving mother to six children, Vicki Heisser of Valdez, AK, Klare McKee of Dunwoody, GA, Fritz Heisser of Lubbock, Gretchen Huffaker of Tahoka, Katie Watts of Edmond, OK, and Tommy Heisser of Lubbock; six grandchildren Abbi, Grace, Holden, Sandy, Kary, and Aaron; and three great grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, the family request donations to Lynn County Hospital District Foundation, PO Box 1310, Tahoka, TX 79373. (PAID)



Robert Thomas Draper

Robert Thomas Draper of Tahoka passed away on Thursday August 11, 2016 at the age of 77. Services were held at 11:00 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Tahoka on Monday, August 15.

Robert was born on the Draper family farm to Howard and Ruth (Vick) Draper in Lynn Co. on October 9, 1938. He attended school in Tahoka. He married Shirley Ann Warren on June 29, 1957. They celebrated 58 years of marriage this year. Robert farmed in Lynn Co. all of his life. He operated a farm machinery hauling business for many years. He made friends all over Texas. He loved driving the backroads. He and Shirley enjoyed traveling all over the United States together.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Bill, Bland and John; sister, Margaret and grandsons, John and Brice Blair.

Robert is survived by his wife Shirley; daughters, Elaine Martin and husband Joe, Andrea McLaren and husband Gary; daughter-in-law Donna Rainold and husband Mitch; sisters, Mary Draper Fleming and Bobby Draper Petty; granddaughters, Caroline McLaren and Hannah McLaren.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Lynn Co. EMS, PO Box 1310, Tahoka, TX 79373 or any favorite charity.

Celebrate the life of Robert by visiting www.combestfamilyfuneralhomes.com. (PAID)



Honored for service... In the photo at left, Glenn "Bonzo" Anderson (center), Line Department Manager and in the photo at far right, Chuck Tipton, Construction Superintendent were both honored for their years of service at Lyntegar Electric Cooperative's 78th Annual Meeting on August 9. Anderson was presented his 50-year award by Lyntegar Board President Earl Brown (left) and Lyntegar CEO Greg Henley. Tipton received an award for his 45 years of service to the company.

Lyntegar Electric Cooperative 78th Annual Meeting held in Tahoka

Lyntegar Electric Cooperative, Inc. held its 78th Annual Meeting of the Members Tuesday, August 9, on the Tahoka ISD Football Field.

Before the business meeting started, service awards were presented to employees who were recognized for their years of service to the cooperative.

Those receiving their service award for 3 years of service were: Stu White 2nd Class Lineman, Cody Hogg 2nd Class Lineman, both of Lamesa branch; Tahoka branch: Blake Moore, State May Member Service Advisor, Chance Witt-Office Engineering Assistant, Felicia Saldana-Clerk, Beau Dewbre-Field Engineering Technician, Kent Porter-Material Clerk, Raymond Young-1st Class Lineman, Jonathan Hadderton-2nd Class Lineman, Seagraves Branch: Carlos Carrizales-1st Class Lineman, Marcus Hare and Brandon Bean-2nd Class Lineman; and Caleb Vaughn-2nd Class Lineman of Sundown.

5 years: Odette Hare- Night Dispatcher, Tahoka branch.

10-year awards, all of Tahoka were: Doug Green-Engineering Systems Administrator, Ross Atten-Manager of Engineering and Jonna McNeely-Records Clerk.

15 years: Abel DeLeon- Journeyman Lineman - Tahoka

25 years: Rayford Harris-Journeyman Lineman, Tahoka and Laveta Bloodworth-Service Branch Clerk - Sundown.

35 years: Both of Tahoka, Jim Bray- Assist. Superintendent Main-

tenance / SCADA and Arthur Chapa-Journeyman Lineman.

40 years: Jerry Reno IT Supervisor - Tahoka

45 years: Chuck Tipton - Construction Superintendent - Tahoka

50 years: Glenn "Bonzo" Anderson, Line Dept. Manager - Tahoka

Recognition was also made of the 2016 Lyntegar Electric Cooperative scholarship recipients and student participants who attended the 2016 Government-in-Action Youth Tour.

The business meeting was called to order by Earl Brown, President of the board. Daniel Gibson of Richards, Elder, & Green PLLC, Lyntegar's attorneys, served as the master of ceremonies. Billy Weaver, Board Secretary, gave the Secretary's Report. Trey Rowe, with Bolinger, Segars, Gilbert & Moss, LLP, gave the Auditor's Report and informed members the cooperative is in good financial standing.

Wendell Morrow, member of the Nominating Committee, read a list of those nominated to run for the three seats on the Lyntegar board. Ricky Day, Billy Weaver, and Kevin Mitchell were all re-elected to the board of directors.

The meeting closed with the presentation of prizes, including a grand prize of a 65-quart Yeti Cooler.

Letters to the Editor

Answered prayer

God answered our prayer after many years to have Vacation Bible School at Gethsemane Baptist Church. We had 30 children in attendance. Thanks to God, Pastor Daniel Herrera and his wife Olga, and to the parents that brought their children to VBS.

God bless you all
Gethsemane Baptist Church
Maria Gutierrez

Diabetes Walk a success!

Thank you to everyone who helped make the 3rd Annual Diabetes Walk at LCHD a complete success. We had 200 participants who helped raise \$2,836.40 to go to the American Diabetes Association. A special thank you to Johnna Alvarado for chairing the walk this year.

Thank you to our many sponsors. It was a beautiful evening to be out with our friends. Our Lynnwood residents rode in the "Blue Weed Special" train, provided by Joan and Leighton Knox, to lead our walk. Kindred Home Health made us bunless burgers. We had lots of games that showed us how to prevent diabetes as well as blood sugar and blood pressure checks.

Kathy Grant
Marketing & Public Relations
Lynn County Hospital District

Tahoka hours

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Sunday Worship - 11 am
Fellowship & Devotion - Wednesday 6:30 pm

Love One Another
"Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another." - 1 John 4:11

It seems as though there is an act of violence, hate, anger, or a combination of all three almost daily in the news lately, and all over the world. Mass shootings in shopping malls, restaurants, movie theaters, office buildings, and even churches. Our scripture verse for this month is part of a passage in 1 John 4:7-21, and which follows another passage about loving one another in 1 John 3:11-24. In fact, there are many more passages in the Bible about the need for us to love one another. Our world is in need of love, of people loving one another, or at least treating each other with basic human respect, with some kindness, and it has to start with each person, in each town, in each state, in each country. Let us all try to show a little more love for one another, a little more kindness, a little more respect. I pray we will.

Do you need a church home? Please visit one of the churches listed on this page.

May the peace and love of God, in Christ, be with you.
Curtis Schrader, Pastor
New Home United Methodist Church

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PASTOR: PERRY SHEPPHERD
Sunday School - 9:45 am
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Communion Mass Service Wednesdays & Thursdays, 6:00 pm
CCE Wednesdays at 6:30 pm
Decafinated 10:30 am Sundays or any time by appointment

From City Hall
by Jerry Webster
City Administrator

Coin Operated Water Dispenser: The city intends to remove the coin operated water dispenser by September 1, 2016. The dispenser is located at the entrance to the current city warehouse, 1200 Lockwood Street, across the street from Witt Butane. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has new regulations that does not make it economically sound for the city to upgrade and maintain it.

Alleys: The code enforcement office is still receiving complaints of people putting debris in the alleys next to the dumpsters. Please be aware you are supposed to take limbs, construction material, and old furniture including mattresses to the city's landfill. You are allowed to dump 1,000 pounds free each month. If this problem con-

times the code enforcement office will have no other choice but to start issuing citations to violators.

Nevel Cemetery: We will soon be making a sweep through the cemetery to pick up items that are not supposed to be there. If you want anything you have placed on a plot that is not allowed, according to Nevel Cemetery Restictions. Items other than flowers are not permitted on the plots. Please remove your items and any old floral arrangements you want. We will put one more article in the paper before we start picking up. This is your ONLY opportunity to pick up anything you might want to keep. If any questions please call Retha Pittman at city hall.

Questions? Call Tahoka City Hall at 806-561-4211.

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Donation? Easy as pie in the face ... Lynn County Hospital District donated \$200 to Tahoka Elementary School to purchase school supplies for needy children, with funds raised by throwing pies in the face of three volunteers. LCHD CEO Jeff Barnhart (right) and staff member Mandy Graves (left) present the check to Principal Christa Ritchey. Barnhart, Jim Brown and Steve Brock (inset photo with a pie-face) braved the onslaught of whipped cream. Pies were \$1 a throw.

Tahoka ISD hours change

Students return to school at Tahoka ISD on Monday, Aug. 22, but Mondays will no longer have a shorter schedule, as has been the case in the past. School hours will be 8:00 a.m.-3:40 p.m. Monday-Friday; elementary will release at 3:35 daily; Prek will be 8:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. M-F.

"The main difference here is that for the last several years Mondays have been an 8:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. schedule. With the most recent guidelines of the instructional minutes bill, and in order to help us have a more streamlined schedule to assist with transportation needs with the special education cooperative that we are part of, we are going to have the same schedule every day," said Supt. McFarland.

Did you know ... about dogs

- Dogs have no sense of "time"
- Humans have kept dogs as pets for over 12,000 years
- The oldest known breed is likely the Saluki - originally trained by Egyptians to help them track game.
- In 1957, Laika became the first living being in space via an earth satellite; ... and JFK's terrier, Charlie, fathered 4 puppies with Laika's daughter
- An estimated 1,000,000 dogs in the U.S. have been named as the primary beneficiaries in their owner's will
- The Bible mentions dogs 14 times

Harvest Festival seeks young ladies for Queen candidates

The Lynn County Harvest Festival Queen scholarship contest will be held on Sept. 17, with candidates for the event currently sought. Candidates may sign up by contacting Amy Rodriguez, chairman, at 806-928-0353 or by email at arodriguez@tahokaisd.us.

A minimum of five girls must sign up for the contest to be held. Any Lynn County high school female may enter the contest. Candidates must be enrolled in a Lynn County high school, and may be a freshman, sophomore, junior or senior. The winners in the event will receive college scholarships. All candidates also earn cash based on ticket sales, whether or not they win the scholarship.

The amount of the scholarships awarded will be determined by ticket sales of the queen candidates. Last year, a total of \$6,000 was awarded in scholarships to the queen and runners-up. Upon enrollment in college, these scholarship checks are made directly to the young ladies, to be used in any manner that will help their college careers.

Queen candidates are judged by non-partisan judges, hired each year by the Harvest Festival Committee. Judges will use their discretion to score contestants on a scale of 1-10 on the following: personality, communication skills, appearance, intelligence, poise and overall effectiveness during their presentation on stage at the Harvest Festival. The judges' scores are tabulated to determine the winners.

All queen candidates support the scholarship program by selling Harvest Festival Queen raffle tickets. This year's Queen raffle ticket features 5 chances to win \$2000 in prizes, including a grand prize of a \$1000 prepaid Visa card, and four drawings for \$250 prepaid Visa cards. The drawings will be held at the Harvest Festival on Saturday, Sept. 17.



Outer space... Pictured here is one of two large groups of children who participated in the Science Spectrum Space Bubble that came to the City-County Library in Tahoka last week. The Space Bubble showed participants how to scan the nighttime skies for constellations and falling stars.

TISD has 26 new staff members for 2016-2017 school year

Tahoka Independent School District will start the 2016-17 school year with 26 new (or reassigned to new positions) staff members, including one on the administrative side. Kelly Kieth, a 21-year teacher with the school district, is the new Middle School Principal. The first day of school for students is Monday, Aug. 22.

Other new employees include: Cristalina Burse - Asst. Band/Music; Jynna Bass - 2nd grade teacher; Reyna De La Cruz - Pre-K teacher assistant; Demetria Salinas - Library aide; Darla Parsons - Elementary Computer teacher; Crystal Gutierrez - MS ELA teacher; Miranda Underwood - MS Theater/ELA; Kavin Comer - MS Math/Coach (Assistant Football/basketball (boys)/baseball); Brandon Brigance - MS Science; Breanna Conner - MS Science/Coach (Assistant Cross country/MS basketball/Head Softball); Amy Rodriguez - MS ELA; Lauren Josselet - HS English; Jason Josselet - HS PE/Coach (assistant football/Head basketball (boys)/Assistant track,

head tennis); Kyle Johnson - SS/Coach (assistant cross country/Head Basketball (girls)/head track (girls)/head golf); Amanda Jolly - HS secretary; Cory Medulla - HS SS/coach (football offense coordinator/head powerlifting (girls)/head track); Craig Williams - HS SS/Coach (assistant football/basketball (boys)/baseball); Keiva Garcia - Registrar; Sam Monsivais - Transportation/maintenance Director; Betty Garcia - Day care; Abel Vega - Maintenance; Angelica Aguirre - Technology Director; Marissa Villegas - HS Attendance Clerk/Secretary; Gloria Moore - ISS teacher; Rafael Salinas - Custodian

Also, there are four new staff for the Four County Co-op (Special Education) program. They will be housed at Tahoka ISD but are employed by Denver City ISD through the Four-County Coop. These include: Pam Paris - Teacher - MS/HS; Haley Comer - Teacher Elem.; Mary Rosales - TA; Rosalinda Perez - TA

NEWS from the Library

CITY-COUNTY LIBRARY
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(inside the Life Enrichment Center)

Naming Children's Space In City-County Library

The library received more nominees for the Children's Space this week. Nominations will remain open until August 31st. The reveal of the name for the Children's Space will be September 17, at the Harvest Festival. Come check out the new items at the Library.

Memorials

The City-County Library received a memorial this week in memory of Judy Connolly Barker given by Jo Anne Corbet. Thank you for your generous donation.

Science Spectrum Space Bubble

Children enjoyed gazing at the stars and planets Thursday afternoon in the Science Spectrum's Space Bubble. The inflatable bubble was filled two times with children ages 7 - 14 learning about constellations, planets and the Milky Way.

"There's something missing in my life, I just don't know if it's a puppy, a person, or a slice of pizza." -- ANONYMOUS

LCHD Walk-In Clinic



At times the Walk-In Clinic can save you an unnecessary visit to the Emergency Room. Here are some examples of illnesses and injuries appropriate for the Walk-In Clinic:

- Cold/Flu/Symptoms
- Sore Throats
- Ear ache
- Sinus infections
- Urinary tract infections
- Allergies
- Fever
- Mild vomiting/diarrhea
- Skin infections
- Rashes
- Abscesses
- Sprains and strains
- Minor cuts that need simple sutures (not to the face)
- Other minor injuries

LCHD Walk-in Clinic
(located inside the Specialty Clinic)
is the answer to your urgent care needs when your primary care provider is unavailable.

HOURS:
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There are some things that are not appropriate for a walk-in clinic because you would be better served by your primary care provider or the Emergency Room. You should see your primary care provider for all routine care - refills, referrals and chronic problems. Chronic pain is never treated at walk-in clinics. The Emergency Room is the best place to go for chest pain, difficulty breathing, sharp abdominal pain, obviously broken bones, large lacerations.

When being seen today is important!

Police Report ...

(Continued from page 1)

Officer Parker yell, 'Get out of the way!' and looked over to see several bystanders rushing to get out of the way of the oncoming vehicle."

The driver left the scene, driving somewhat erratically, but pulled over onto the grass along the street at Ave. L and South 3rd, where officers were able to approach the man, who complied at this point. The driver was 21 years old, of Lubbock. Officers put the man through a series of field sobriety tests and placed him under arrest for DWI.

And on Saturday, Kaleb Xavier Rodriguez of Tahoka reported someone had stolen the license plates from his Ford F-150 parked along the west side of the Allsup's convenience store in Tahoka, sometime between 4 p.m. and 8:45 p.m. while he was working inside the store.

ALL GIRLS IN 2ND-5TH GRADE

are invited to sign up for the Sept. 17, 2016 Lynn County

Harvest Festival Princess Contest!

Sign ups start Aug. 23rd

Starting Aug. 23, come by any weekday, 6:00-9:00 p.m., to sign up and get tickets, at:

2001 Ave. K (home of Elizabeth Tew) - or -
1828 Ave. K (home of Rachel Case)

The girl who sells the most Harvest Festival tickets will be the Princess!

The PRINCESS will win \$1000!!!

This year's Harvest Festival \$1 raffle ticket will have 11 chances to win, including a Grand Prize of \$1000, (this is a separate drawing from Queen's drawing) and 10 drawings for \$100 cash!

1st Runnerup - \$750
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3rd Runnerup - \$350
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Win Cash Prizes!

And, EVERY CONTESTANT will receive \$100 cash for every 350 tickets she sells!

For more information, call co-chairmen:
Elizabeth Tew - 806-790-4301
Rachel Case - 806-577-7791

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Tahoka Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 6:00 p.m., Monday, August 29, 2016 in the board room of the Harvick Education Building, 2129 Main St., Tahoka, Texas. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

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

Maintenance Tax	\$1.17 / \$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax	\$.286 / \$100 (Proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	_____ % increase	or	1.0 % (decrease)
Debt service	100* % increase	or	_____ % (decrease)
Total expenditures	4.0 % increase	or	_____ % (decrease)

* 100% increase in debt service taxation is due to the fact that the district had zero debt service taxation last fiscal year.

Total Appraised Value and total Taxable Value
(as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$ 150,925,562	\$ 156,710,166
Total appraised value** of new property**	\$ 4,878,810	\$ 2,637,430
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$ 108,265,402	\$ 111,941,706
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$ 4,878,020	\$ 2,360,060

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

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness*	\$ 9,000,000
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* Outstanding principal.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$ 1.17	\$ 0.00*	\$ 1.17	\$ 2,401	\$ 9,057
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$ 1.202	\$ 0.00*	\$ 1.202	\$ 2,465	\$ 9,025
Proposed Rate	\$ 1.17	\$.286*	\$ 1.456	\$ 2,962	\$ 8,994

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

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 57,974	\$ 55,955
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 25,974	\$ 30,955
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 1.17	\$ 1.456
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 303.90	\$ 450.70
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes	\$	\$ 146.80

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

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

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$ 2,900,000
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$ 4,700.00



Olympian guest speaker... United States Olympian Johnny Quinn, pictured fourth from left, was guest speaker recently at Wilson ISD. Quinn is a professional speaker and travels the globe to inspire audiences by delivering messages on leadership, teamwork, and motivation. Pictured from left are Orlando Balderas, Alex Balderas, Tony Pantoja, Quinn, Lance Lopez, and Justin Mendez.



Basket of goodies... Wilson's FirstBank & Trust welcomed back Wilson ISD staff with breakfast and a goodie basket. Presenting the basket is pictured from left, FB&T Bank President - Sharon Isham, WISD Principal Richard Soliz, and FB&T employee, Peggy Villarreal.

Wilson ISD proposes same tax rate of \$1.17

Wilson Independent School District Board of Trustees voted to propose a tax rate of \$1.17 for the 2016 year, which is the same as last year's rate. The total tax rate includes \$1.17 tax rate in Maintenance & Operations (M&O) and nothing in the Interest & Sinking (I&S) Fund, as the district does not have any bonded indebtedness.

The proposed rate is the highest tax rate the district can adopt without requiring voter approval at a rollback election.

Wilson Board of Trustees will hold a public meeting at 6 p.m. Monday, Aug. 29, in the WISD Library, to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

Last year the average market value of residences in the school district totaled \$44,320, with an average taxable value of \$19,320. This year showed an increase in average market value of residences at \$48,963, with an average taxable value of \$23,963. Taxes due on an average residence will increase approximately \$54, from \$226 to \$280 (except for those whose taxes are frozen due to being 65-or-over or disabled, as their taxes will not increase).

Total appraised value of all property in Wilson ISD this year is \$57,746,880, compared to last year's value of \$58,927,100.

Girls: Enter the Harvest Festival Princess contest

All girls in 2nd-5th grades in Lynn County schools are invited to participate in the Lynn County Harvest Festival Princess Contest on Saturday, Sept. 17, for a chance to win the title as well as cash prizes for the top five places. The Princess will win \$1000 cash, first runnerup wins \$750 cash, second runnerup wins \$500 cash, and the third and fourth runners-up will get \$350 each.

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

All candidates will sell \$1 Harvest Festival Princess tickets for 11 chances to win \$2000 in prizes, including a grand prize of a \$1000 prepaid Visa card (this year's Princess drawing is a separate drawing from the Queen tickets), and 10 drawings for \$100 prepaid Visa cards. The drawings will be held at the Harvest Festival on Saturday, Sept. 17.

Starting next Tuesday, Aug. 23, girls may sign up and get their tickets to sell by going to the home of Elizabeth Tew at 2001 Ave. K, or the home of Rachel Case, 1828 Ave. K, in Tahoka. Come by any weekday, from 6:00 until 9:00 p.m.

The winner of the Harvest Festival Princess contest is determined by the highest number of ticket sales. For more information, call Mrs. Tew at 806-790-4301, or Mrs. Case at 806-577-7791.



Media Award... Wilson ISD Board President Doug Bolyard presented Abraham Vega (right), with the Texas Association of School Boards "Media Honor Roll Award" at last week's school board meeting, for his promotion of Wilson Athletics in *The Lynn County News*.

Wilson Community News

by Bonnie S. Schwertner

Send news to: bonnie_schwertner_wilson@yahoo.com



ship, teamwork, and motivation. He challenged us to "Think Like an Olympian." Of the countless motivational speakers I've heard, he was the only one who actually gave steps of action for when dreams don't work out like you'd hoped.



Brennan Kelly Lauritzen

My Spotlight Teacher is Brennan Kelly Lauritzen, who will be teaching Algebra I, Geometry, Math Models, and Statistics. Growing up, he attended various schools: grades 1-4 in Round Rock, 5th-8th in Heidelberg, Germany, 9th-12th in Albuquerque, NM, and 12th in Stuttgart, Germany. He attended college in New Mexico, and comes to us with a wealth of experience and knowledge from Richard Milburn Academy in Odessa. Welcome!!

When I step into Wilson schools, I think of these words to an old song, "I'm so excited... And I just can't hide it!" I love the "I belong" feeling, even after all these years. This little school is well on its way to former "glory days," with excellent leadership and staff, students who are pumped up about learning and participation, and success in test scores. All that, plus tiny classes, is why I have given WISD my personal opinion label: "The closest you can get to a private school, but still be public."

"Everything you do begins with how you think," according to Johnny Quinn, recent speaker at Wilson. He is a United States Olympian in the sport of bobsled, and competed in the 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia. Quinn is a professional speaker and travels the globe to inspire audiences by delivering messages on leader-

Pellet Grill raffle package sponsored by Rotary Club

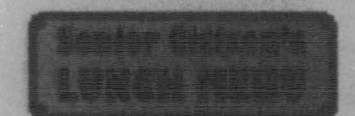
The Tahoka Rotary Club will be raffling a Traeger Pellet Grill Package at the Harvest Festival on September 17, to raise money for local service projects and scholarships. The package includes a Traeger Lil' Tex Elite 22 Grill/Smoker, wood pellets, 4-piece utensil set, a Yeti cup and a gift certificate donated by Raider Red Meats.

An electric wood pellet grill/smoker cooks with an even heat using a convection process. The hopper is loaded with wood pellets and an auger feeds the wood pellets to a fire pot. Consistent temperature is achieved with a digital thermostat. The Lil' Tex will hold up to 16 burgers, 4 chickens, 24 hot dogs or 5 racks of ribs.

Tickets are \$25 each or 5 for \$100. Only 250 tickets are being sold so purchase your tickets early! You can purchase a ticket from a Rotarian at any of the following businesses: City of Tahoka, Family Wellness Clinic, FirstBank & Trust, Healing Arts Center, First National Bank, Huffaker Law Office, Jolly Time, Lynn County Court House, Lynn County Hospital, Lyntegar Electric, Poka Lambro, Tahoka Donuts, Tahoka ISD, and Thriftway.

If anyone is interested in joining the Tahoka Rotary Club, meetings are every Thursday at noon in the Community Room behind City Hall.

"Our club is just one of over 34,000 clubs globally. Our focus is to impact the lives in our community and around the world," said Club President Brenda Whitten.



August 15-19

Monday: Taco salad, corn chips, corn, watermelon, peach cobbler

Tuesday: Rigatoni w/ meat sauce, lima beans, salad, mandarin oranges

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Thursday: Shepherd's pie, stewed okra & tomatoes, coleslaw, butterscotch pudding

Friday: Crispy chicken on a bun, trimmings, potato wedges, carrot & raisin salad, fruit cocktail

Mark your calendars...

* Mark your calendars: **Thanksgiving Sunday Dinner** will be held August 28, at the Center.

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NOTICE OF 2016 TAX YEAR PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR

A tax rate of \$ 0.85505 per \$100 valuation has been proposed for adoption by the governing body of City of Wilson. This rate exceeds the lower of the effective or rollback tax rate, and state law requires that two public hearings be held by the governing body before adopting the proposed tax rate.

The governing body of City of Wilson proposes to use revenue attributable to the tax rate increase for the purpose of General Maintenance.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$ <u>0.85505</u>	per \$100	
PRECEDING YEAR'S TAX RATE	\$ <u>0.85505</u>	per \$100	
EFFECTIVE TAX RATE	\$ <u>0.848793</u>	per \$100	
ROLLBACK TAX RATE	\$ <u>0.916696</u>	per \$100	

The effective tax rate is the total tax rate needed to raise the same amount of property tax revenue for City of Wilson from the same properties in both the 2015 tax year and the 2016 tax year.

The rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate that 0.916696 may adopt before voters are entitled to petition for an election to limit the rate that may be approved to the rollback rate.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE ABOVE RATES CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

property tax amount = (rate) x (taxable value of your property) / 100

For assistance or detailed information about tax calculations, please contact:

Suzann Follis
City of Wilson tax assessor-collector
P.O. Box 22, Wilson, Texas 79381
806-628-6221
cityofwilson@nts-online.net

You are urged to attend and express your views at the following public hearings on the proposed tax rate:

First Hearing: August 30, 2016 @ 6:30 P.M. at 1601 10th St., Wilson, Texas

Second Hearing: September 2, 2016 @ 12:00 P.M. at 1601 10th St., Wilson, Texas

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)

To the Registered Voters of the County of Lynn, Texas.
(A los votantes registrados del Condado de Lynn, Texas)
Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on November 8, 2016, for voting in a general election to elect presidential electors, Members of Congress, Members of the Legislature, and state, district, county and precinct officers.
(Notifíquese, por la presente, que las casillas electorales citadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. ocho de noviembre de 2016 para votar en la Elección General para elegir electores presidenciales, Miembros del Congreso, Miembros de la Legislatura, y oficiales del estado, distrito, condado y del precinto.)
On Election Day, voters must vote in their precinct where registered to vote.
(El Día de Elección, los votantes deberán votar en su precinto donde están inscritos para votar.)
Precinct Number(s) Location Of Election Day Polling Places:
(Numero de precinto) (Ubicación de las casillas electorales el Día de Elección)
1/5. South Tahoka: Life Enrichment Center, 1717 Main Street, Tahoka, Texas 79373
2/8. Wilson: Green Museum, 1601 10th Street, Wilson, Texas 79381
3/10. O'Donnell: O'Donnell Community Center, 600 Nassau Road, O'Donnell, Texas 79351
4/11. New Home: New Home Community Center, 109 W. Broadway, New Home, Texas 79383
6. North Tahoka: Tahoka ISD Business Office, 2129 Main, Tahoka, Texas 79373
7. Grassland: Church of the Nazarene, Intersection of FM 212 & FM 1313, Grassland, Texas 79373
9. West Tahoka: Lynnwood Assisted Living, 1801 Country Club Rd, Tahoka, Texas 79373
12. South West Tahoka: Trinity Church (Fellowship Hall), 1929 Lockwood, Tahoka, Texas 79373
13. North Lynn County: Poka-Lambro, 11.5 miles North of Tahoka on Hwy 87, Tahoka, Texas 79373
14. East Tahoka: Housing Authority Building, South 3rd and Ave. K, Tahoka, Texas 79373

For early voting, a voter may vote at any of the locations listed below:
(Para Votación Adelantada, los votantes podrán votar en cualquiera de las ubicaciones nombradas abajo.)
Locations for Early Voting Polling Places Days and Hours of Operation
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Lynn County Clerk's Office October 24- November 4
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Susan Tipton
PO Box 937
Tahoka, Texas 79373
Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on October 28, 2016.
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el 28 de Octubre 2016.)
Issued this the 15th day of August 2016.
(Emitada este día 15th de agosto, 2016.)

/s/ Mike Braddock, County Judge
(Firma del Juez del Condado)

THE STATE OF TEXAS § 106th JUDICIAL DISTRICT
COUNTY OF LYNN § OF TEXAS

ORDER SETTING HEARING ON COMPENSATION OF COUNTY AUDITOR

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, pursuant to Section 152.905, Texas Local Government Code, that a public hearing shall be held at 8:30 o'clock a.m. on August 30, 2016, in the District Courtroom of the Lynn County Courthouse, for the purpose of setting the amount of annual compensation for a County Auditor for the fiscal year 2017.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the District Clerk shall deliver a certified copy of this order to a newspaper of general circulation in the county for publication not earlier than the 30th or later than the 10th day before the date of hearing.

Signed August 10, 2016.

Carter T. Schildknecht
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