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Ten file for three seats on New Home Board of Trustees

Ten candidates have filed for a place on the November 8, 2016 General Election Ballot for three positions on the New Home ISD Board of Trustees. The deadline for filing was Monday, August 22.

Each of the three positions are four-year terms. Terms expiring are for Shawn Anderson, Martin Gill and Rachelle Link, all of whom filed for re-election. Also filing were Andy Beck, Keden Burk, Lee Jay Lisenby, Brett Parker, Koby D. Reed, Crystal Scott and Joe Torres.

Did you know...

• that it is physically impossible for pigs to look up at the sky

Where now? are they

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What's Outside

NWS official readings for Tahoka

| Date | High | Low | Precip. |
|--------|------|-----|---------|
| Aug 16 | 91 | 62 | |
| Aug 17 | 94 | 61 | |
| Aug 18 | 91 | 61 | |
| Aug 19 | 91 | 61 | |
| Aug 20 | 91 | 66 | 0.10" |
| Aug 21 | 76 | 61 | 1.30" |
| Aug 22 | 80 | 61 | |

(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: | 1.50" |
| Total Precip. for 2016: | 13.40" |

Local jail escapee captured in New Mexico after car-stealing spree across multiple counties

by JUANELL JONES

An inmate who escaped from the Lynn County Jail sometime during the night last Thursday has been captured and is back in custody, according to information from Lynn County Sheriff Jerry Dee Franklin. The inmate, Ismael Ramirez Reyes,



ISMAEL REYES

41, of Muleshoe, was reportedly discovered missing from his cell at 5:30 a.m. Friday.

The Lynn County Sheriff's Office is still investigating how exactly Reyes was able to escape, but Sheriff Franklin believes the escaped inmate went on a multi-county car-theft spree as he fled the area. Reyes was recaptured on Saturday morning near Portales, NM, when he broke into a dairy farm facility in Roosevelt County, NM, east of Portales.

"The people that work there, possibly the owner of the dairy, discovered Reyes and held him at gunpoint until the local sheriff could arrive to arrest him, and he is now back in custody," Franklin told *The News*. "Reyes is from the Muleshoe area, and Portales is not that far from there, so it

seems like he was making a big circle trying to get back home," he added.

The Lynn County Sheriff's Office alerted all local law enforcement agencies in West Texas in the search for the 41-year-old escapee, as well as DPS, Texas Rangers, US Marshals, ICE, and US Border Patrol.

Franklin said investigators believe reports of stolen vehicles from here and counties north of Lynn County are all connected to Reyes' escape. The Sheriff said a 2012 F-250 pickup that was last seen around 11 p.m. Thursday was reported stolen Friday morning from a Tahoka residence a few blocks from the Sheriff's Office, at 1001 Ave. A. Reyes apparently fled the Tahoka area in the stolen vehicle and headed north, where he is suspected of stealing three more vehicles as he traveled across multiple counties in his escape from law enforcement.

The pickup stolen from Tahoka was found abandoned at a residence in Matador, where the suspect apparently stole another pickup from a residence there. The sheriff said he believes Reyes headed to Hall County, north

of Matador, where he abandoned the truck and stole another vehicle, then drove farther north to Donley County and stole a Cadillac de Ville. Three of the four stolen vehicles (all except the Cadillac) had been recovered as of Monday, but investigation is still underway to determine if Reyes was, in fact, the one who took them.

"At this point in the investigation, we can't say for sure that Reyes stole these vehicles, but that's what we believe," said the Sheriff.

Reyes is described as a Hispanic male, 5'8", 165 lbs. with black hair and brown eyes. He has a lengthy criminal history, including several charges for stealing vehicles. Reyes was in jail here for charges including evading arrest and detention, unauthorized use of a vehicle and being a felon in possession of a firearm. He also has multiple charges out of Bailey County, and has warrants from New Mexico.

Reyes was incarcerated in Lynn County Jail in December 2015, after a Sheriff's Deputy had stopped Reyes in a suspected stolen vehicle on US 87 near the Lynn/Lubbock county line. After coming to a stop and stepping outside the vehicle to speak to the officer, Reyes took off on foot, running across country and leading officers on

a search that eventually included helicopters and search canines before he was captured. Guns and stolen items from a burglary in the Muleshoe area were found in the stolen vehicle he had been driving in that incident.

Reyes is the only escapee from the Lynn County Jail facility that was built in 2001, said Franklin. This case is still under investigation.

A 17-year-old male was reported as a runaway in the county early Tuesday morning, but deputies found the runaway as he was walking on a county road, and he was returned home.

Tahoka Volunteer Fire Dept. was dispatched to the Tahoka Laundromat just before 8 a.m. Monday, responding to a report of flames coming from an air conditioner unit in the building. The fire was quickly put out. No estimate of damage was reported.

Lawrence Stabeno of Wilson reported early Sunday afternoon, at 2:40 p.m., that someone had stolen an air compressor from the front porch of his residence in Wilson. And, Wilson resident Kim Steen reported Sunday morning about 10:40 a.m. that someone had egged her yard and two vehicles at her residence.

Two vehicles were involved in (See POLICE REPORT, page 3)

Standing against time August 27 Centennial Celebration to observe 100th anniversary of Lynn County Courthouse

by JUANELL JONES

Standing sentry in the center of the town square of Tahoka for the last century, the Lynn County Courthouse has long provided a unique historical aspect to the county that celebrated its 100th year in 2003. Hundreds of residents gathered at the courthouse lawn in June 2003 for the county's Centennial Celebration, with the stately brick building serving as an appropriate backdrop for the event marking the birth of Lynn County. This year, a celebration has been set for Saturday, August 27, to observe the 100th year of the building itself, attesting to the timelessness of its design.

All Lynn County residents are invited to attend Saturday's Centennial Celebration in honor of the 100th year anniversary of the building of the Lynn County Courthouse, which was built in 1916. 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 Quannah Parker. Ron Parker, a descendant of the legendary Indian Chief, will preside over the Quannah 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 (See CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION, page 6)



Courthouse staff of 2016 ...

Pictured here are those working at the Lynn County Courthouse during its 100th birthday celebration in 2016. They are, in front from left: Sandra Laws, District Clerk; Gracie Zapata, Administrative Assistant, Probation Office; Rebekah Filley, County Attorney; Gall Stark, Deputy Clerk, County Clerk's Office; Susan Tipton, County Clerk; Christie Olivian, Deputy Clerk, Treasurer's Office; Donna Willis, Tax Assessor/Collector; middle row: Lonnetta Hudgens, Deputy Clerk, District Clerk's Office; Commissioner John Hawthorne; Lisa Meeks, County Judge's secretary; Lessia Clem, Deputy Clerk, County Clerk's Office; Linda Rodgers, Deputy Clerk, County Attorney's Office; Brenda Wilson, County Auditor; Amy Schuknecht, County Treasurer; Bill Schoemann, County Probation Officer; Debbie Lee, Deputy Clerk, Tax Assessor's Office; and in back: Commissioner Don Blair; Donna Gentry, Maintenance; Chief Deputy Abraham Vega; Carolyn Turner, deputy Clerk, District Clerk's Office; Rigoberto Avila, Maintenance; Commissioner Keith Wied; Commissioner Larry Durham; and County Judge Mike Braddock. Not pictured are Justice of Peace Nancy Guilliams and her deputy clerk, Brenda Dotson, and Justice of Peace Ed Follis, whose offices are off-site.

(Lynn County News photo by Juanell Jones)



Now that's funny!

“ Silence is golden, unless you have kids, then silence is just plain suspicious. ”

— ANONYMOUS

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Commissioners propose lowering Lynn County tax rate by 2.7-cents

by JUANELL JONES

Lynn County Commissioners approved a proposed tax rate of 89 cents per \$100 of property value for 2016, in action taken at Monday morning's regular session - a rate that is 2.7 cents lower than the current rate of 91.7 cents. The action came after commissioners approved a proposed budget for the upcoming fiscal year. A public hearing for citizen input on the budget and tax rate was set for 9 a.m. Monday, Sept. 12 in the basement courtroom of the county courthouse.

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.

The 2016-17 proposed budget has total expected expenditures of \$3,205,471 and total expected revenue of \$3,211,126, and includes salary increases for all employees.

"Considering the losses [in the tax base] that the county has this year, our budget is in good shape, thanks to everything our county employees have done to make our funds go as far as possible," commented Commissioner Don Blair.

In other business, County Judge Mike Braddock informed commissioners that he had received some information from Komatsu architectural firm regarding more current figures on the restoration of the courthouse, but that he still had

questions on several items that he considered should not be included in the proposal.

"These figures submitted puts the project at \$7.7 million but it includes a new roof and electrical, both of which have already been done. It also includes a substantial amount for demolition of the old jail on the courthouse grounds, and that is something we may consider doing ourselves, if possible. I still think this estimate is too high and there are several items in this proposal to discuss," Braddock told commissioners.

County commissioners took copies of the proposal to peruse, but they and other county officials still are committed to accepting the grant funds and getting the restoration project underway in the most cost-efficient manner. The judge said he would continue discussions with Komatsu on the project.

City/County Library Director Cissy Webster presented an overview of the library's services and activities during the past year to commissioners, noting that 2,568 people had been served in programs at the library this year and adding that circulation of items (including e-books) from the library has increased 11,953 items since 2014.

"We have added many services and programs," Webster told commissioners and other county officials at Monday's meeting. "Our summer reading program is now offered all throughout the summer, and we have added a read-to-me program, fall and spring art classes and shows, and our Wednesday morning story time is now offered year-round with crafts and other activities offered as well," she added. She also reported that the library actively sought community participation through school field trips and programs that bring in others, such as computers that provide test proctoring, online classes and more. She concluded her presentation by thanking commissioners for the funding provided to the library by the county.

Lynn County Chief Deputy Abraham Vega presented a brief report to county officials regarding an escapee from the county jail last week, and said that the man had been captured and was back in custody. He said that the case is still under investigation, and indicated that jail procedures are being carefully scrutinized for improvement.

All four commissioners were present at the meeting led by Judge Braddock, including Blair, Keith Wied, John Hawthorne and Larry Durham. They also approved new insurance rates with Blue Cross Blue Shield for county employees, and approved several budget amendments and payment of monthly bills.

The meeting adjourned after two hours, at 11 a.m.



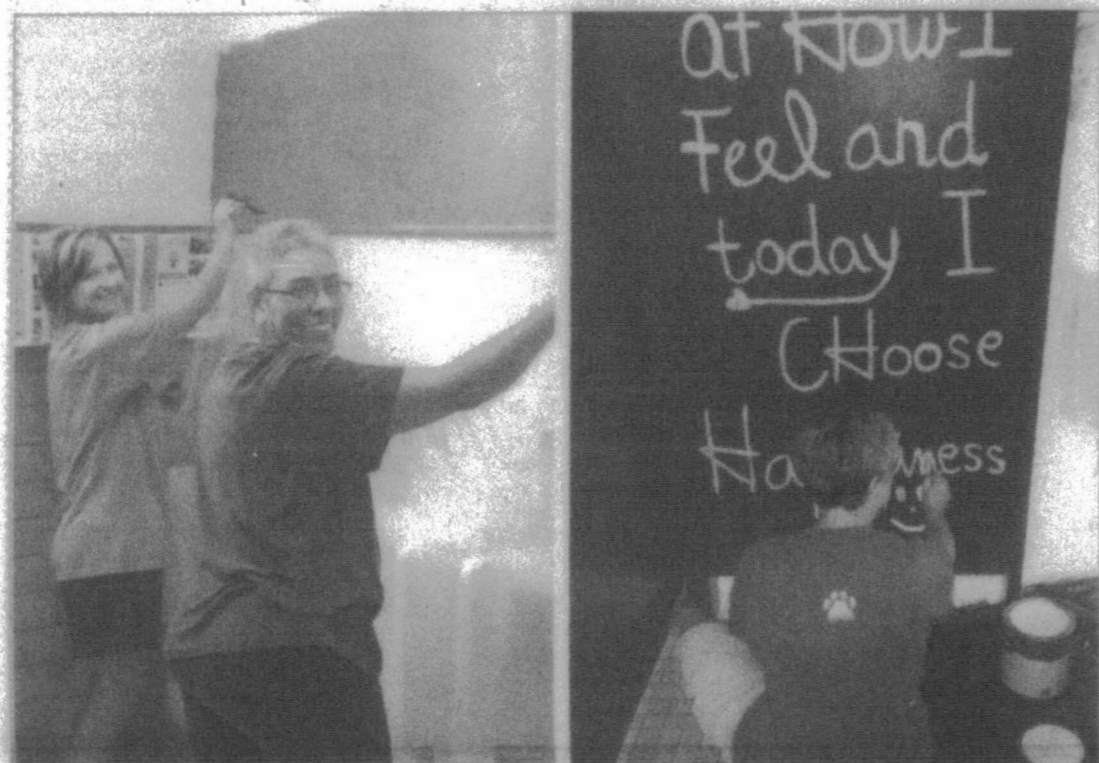
My first day... Marissa Chapa is pictured here with her daughter Kamryn, on her first day of Pre-K at Tahoka ISD. Monday marked the first day of school for Tahoka and area schools.

Senior Citizen's Menu

August 29-September 2
Monday: Breaded fish on bun, trimmings, potato wedges, cole slaw, peach chantilly
Tuesday: Lasagna, spinach, salad, banana
Wednesday: Beef & bean chile verde, white rice, salad, crackers, cantaloupe
Thursday: Meatloaf, mashed

potatoes, winter blend veg, apple fluff
Friday: Beef, macaroni, tomato casserole, lima beans, fruit & oatmeal bar

Mark your calendars...
• **Thanksgiving Dinner is this Sunday, Aug. 28, Noon-2 pm at the Center.** Volunteers are needed to help on that day. The Harvest Festival Quilt will be on display. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Questions? Call Bianca, 561-5264.



Restroom renovation ... Staff members of one of Tahoka Elementary School's "The Leader in Me" (TLIM) action committees spent some of their summer doing student restroom "make-overs" by painting them in bright colors with cheerful sayings, to help create a sense of pride in every area of the school campus. Painting a wall are Dana Taylor and Emilia Garcia, and Kim Mercer paints words in these photos. In the 2016-2017 school year, Tahoka Elementary will be implementing "The Leader in Me" program. "It is our hope that the students will join the staff in raising awareness by being leaders themselves," said Emilia Garcia, TLIM Restroom Action Team Coordinator. "I am thankful for the awesome committee that I have working under me and am looking forward to a great school year!"

Family Wellness Clinic

1809 LOCKWOOD in TAHOKA

BUSINESS HOURS:
Mondays & Thursdays:
8 am-12 noon & 1 pm-5 pm
Tuesdays & Wednesdays:
8 am-12 noon & 1 pm-7 pm
Fridays: 8 am-2 pm

NEW EXTENDED HOURS!
Beginning September 1st

Melanie Richburg, DNP, FNP-C
Shannon Hammonds, FNP-C

806-998-4604

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Tuesdays & Wednesdays:
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Fridays: 8:30 am - 1:30 pm

Harvest Festival Queen and Princess candidates are selling 2 different tickets to win **\$4000** in prizes! WOW!

LYNN COUNTY HARVEST FESTIVAL
QUEEN CONTEST RAFFLE • TAHOKA, TEXAS

(Need not be present to win)

This ticket enters the holder in 5 drawings in the Harvest Festival **QUEEN** contest:

1 Grand Prize drawing for a **\$1,000** prepaid Visa card
and 4 drawings for **\$250** prepaid Visa cards

\$1.00 Donation

LYNN COUNTY HARVEST FESTIVAL
PRINCESS CONTEST RAFFLE • TAHOKA, TEXAS

(This is a separate drawing from the Queen tickets)

This ticket is a **VOTE** for the **PRINCESS** selling the ticket, and enters the holder in 11 drawings for a chance to win:

1 GRAND PRIZE FOR A **\$1,000 PREPAID VISA CARD**
+ 10 DRAWINGS FOR **\$100 CASH**

\$1.00 Donation (Need not be present to win)

Don't miss your 16 chances to win from these \$1 tickets!

Queen and Princess candidates are going door-to-door now! Your purchase helps support the Lynn County Harvest Festival, cash prizes for the girls, and Harvest Festival scholarships.

WIN A TRAEGER PELLET GRILL PACKAGE!

Traeger Lil' Tex Elite 22 Grill, Utensils, Wood Pellets, Yeti Cup, & Gift Certificate to Raider Red Meats!!

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Tahoka Rotary Club

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TISD appreciation... The FirstBank & Trust, Tahoka branch, treated TISD faculty and staff to an appreciation cook-out lunch on Thursday, August 18. Pictured from back row left are, Felicia Moreno, and Chuck Senter. Front row from left, Cara Henderson, E'lise Vest and Betty Long.

Police Report ...

(Continued from page 1)

an accident that occurred about 8 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 20 on U.S. 87, just north of the roadside park, north of Tahoka. Heavy rains may have played a factor in the accident that caused one car to end up in the median and one in the ditch. Jessica Gutierrez of O'Donnell was the driver of a 2014 Chevrolet 4-door passenger car, and Sarah Zuniga of Tahoka was the driver of a 2001 2-door Toyota. No injuries were reported.

Jack Jaquess of Tahoka reported to Tahoka Police Dept. on Friday afternoon that someone had entered his open garage at his residence on N. 2nd Street, taking a grey and orange Stihl leaf blower.

Last Tuesday, Aug. 16, Lynn County Deputies responded to a call from a Brownfield woman who said she had been assaulted by her husband who then put her out of their vehicle and left her stranded in the middle of a field in Lynn County, near FM 179 and FM 213 about 10 a.m. She told officers that she had called her son, also from Brownfield, to come pick her up, but when her husband discovered the son was on his way to get her, that he intentionally rammed into the son's vehicle with his vehicle, in Brownfield. Brownfield Police Dept. was also involved in the case.

Also last Tuesday, a Lynn County man reported the theft

of a .45 automatic pistol from his residence in the county, but told officers he suspected a girlfriend of taking the pistol after an argument.

City Council proposes keeping same tax rate

Tahoka City Council this week is publishing a notice that the council is proposing to keep the current tax rate for the 2016 year, at \$0.747030 per \$100 of property value. Because the proposed rate is nearly 5-cents higher than this year's effective tax rate of 0.698174 (due to an increase in the tax base), and will bring in more revenue than the previous year, the city is required to publish a notice and hold hearings for citizen input.

The first hearing will be at 5:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 29 at 1807 N. Main Street (rear entrance), and the second public hearing will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 30 at 5:30 p.m. in the same location.

The effective tax rate is the total tax rate needed to raise the same amount of property tax revenue for the city. Because the tax base has increased for the city, from \$71,590,521 last year compared to \$76,582,470 this year, the proposed tax rate of 74-cents will bring in more revenue for the city this year.

The proposed rate falls just under the rollback rate of 0.754027.

NEWS from the Library

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

Auction donations

Thank you to all the generous people who have donated items for the Library's silent auction, to be held during the Harvest Festival. Money raised is used to continue programs and expand what we will offer next year.

We need your help again this year with exciting new, old, homemade, baked, canned, sewn, painted items or anything else you would like to donate. Cash donations are always welcome. Let's make this year's auction one to remember on September 17th.

Please bring clean, repaired, ready to auction items to the library Monday-Thursday 9-12, 1-6 and Friday 9-12, 1-5.

Wednesday Toddler Storytime
Storytime will continue on Wednesdays starting at 10:30 until 11:15 for toddlers through 4 years old. Join us for stories, songs and activities.

Tea and Tales

Ladies we are starting a new program just for you. We will

meet the first time Friday Sept. 16 at 2:00 for a sneak peak of the Harvest Festival Silent Auction Treasures.

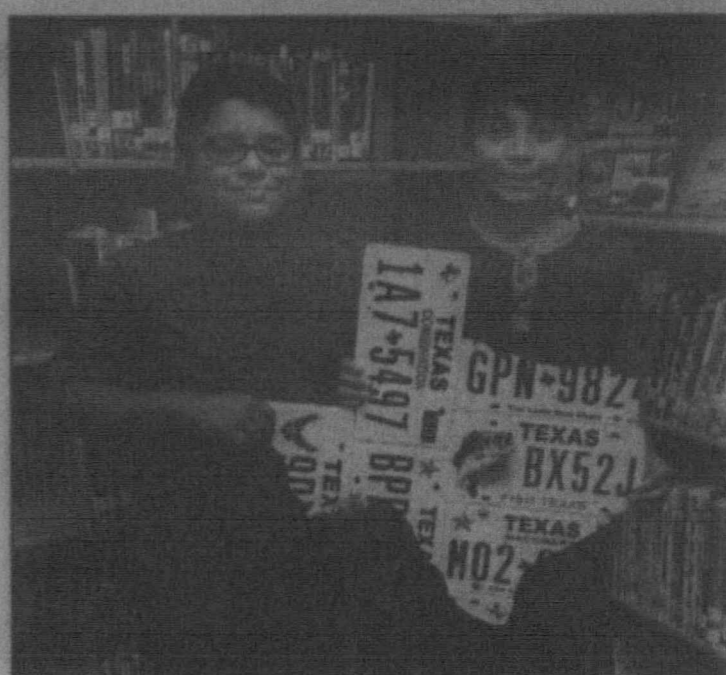
Come enjoy refreshments while you help plan the start of our tales. Parking will be at the back so we can enjoy the homecoming parade.

Naming Children's Space

Thank you for all the nominations we have received for the Children's Space. We will accept nominations until August 31. The name will be revealed at the Harvest Festival, Sept. 17.

THS 2016 Yearbooks now available

The 2016 Kennel yearbooks have arrived and can be picked up after school. Anyone who would like to purchase one, but did not order one, can buy one for \$35. See Mrs. Lehman at Tahoka High School for details.



Texas up for auction... Xose Bourn-Hernandez and Mikko Hernandez are holding Texas license plate art designed by Gary Jones of Tahoka. The item will be available at the City-County Library's Silent Auction September 17 during the Harvest Festival.

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PASTOR: BILLY PARKER
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Sunday Worship - 11:00 am & 6:00 pm
Discipleship Training - 5 pm Sunday
6:30 pm Wednesdays
Fellowship Meal & Classes for all ages
• Bible Study & Prayer Mtg • Youth

Mine?
Malachi 3:6-10
Mine. It's one of the first words we learn as children. Hoarding comes naturally. Maybe we fear that we won't have what we need or that someone will take what we think rightfully belongs to us. Learning to share is often a challenge. God instituted the concept of tithing during Moses' time. Not only was it the way God provided for the Levites, but it was also a spiritual discipline to teach his people to rely on him. By giving God the first tenth of their produce, they acknowledged that all they had was from his hand. Jesus said, "Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you" (Luke 6:38). The Old Testament tithe was a requirement, but the New Testament offering is a test of the heart. Giving is not a duty but a joyous outpouring of gratitude. And giving is God's way of making us, his people, a conduit of his love to others.
Do you need a church home? Please visit one of the churches listed on this page.
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CURTIS SCHRADER, Pastor
(878) 602-2947
CurtisSchrader@lvc.com
350 N. Main • New Home, TX 79383
(806) 924-7549
Sunday School 9:45 am • Worship 10:45 am

Wilson St. John Lutheran Church
13th & Dickson • Wilson, TX 79381 • (806) 628-6573
Sharing Christ's message of forgiveness and salvation with our community and beyond.
TONDA FREITAS, PLM
Sunday School - 9:30 am • Sunday Worship - 10:45 am

New Home Church of Christ
324 N. Main • Box 188 • New Home, TX 79383 • (806) 924-7579
MINISTER: VICTOR ELLISON
Bible Class - 10:00 am
Sunday Worship Service - 10:45 am
Wednesday Evening Bible Study - 7:00 pm

Wilson St. Paul Lutheran Church
18th & Houston St. • Box 136 • Wilson, TX 79381
(806) 628-6471 • www.stpaulwilson.com
PASTOR: DAVID W. ROHDE
Sunday School 9:15 am • Divine Service 10:15 am
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Sunday Worship 11:00 am
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm
Wed. Youth/Children's Activities 7:00 pm

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P.O. Box 496 • O'Donell, TX 79351
Phone (806) 428-3357
PASTOR: REV. WESTON PENDERGRASS
Sunday Morning Worship - 9:15 am

Grassland Nazarene Church
2885 CR 21 • Tahoka, TX 79323 • (806) 327-5656, 327-5655
PASTOR: Rev. James Miller
Sunday School - 9:45 am
Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 am
Sunday Evening Worship - 6 pm

First Methodist of Tahoka
1401 Ave. J • Tahoka • (806) 561-4502
small: firstmethodistofpoka.com
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Sunday Worship - 10:30 am (Fellowship Hall)
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7:00-8:00 am AT 1
861-4529

Sweet Street Baptist Church
1350 AVENUE J • BOX 754 • TAHOKA, TX 79375 • (806) 561-5310
DAVID SARNETT, PASTOR • (806) 489-5101
Sunday School - 9:45 am
Bible Study (Class for all ages)
Morning Worship - 10:30 am
Adorning Heart - Strategic Plan God's Word
Wednesday Night - 7 pm
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Tahoka Trinity Church
1325 Lakewood • Box 1160 • Tahoka • (806) 561-5317
PASTOR: JERRY STELLENFIELD
Sunday School - 9:45 am
Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 am
Sunday Evening Worship - 6 pm
Youth - Sundays at 7 pm
For a ride to Sunday School or Church, call 561-5317

TAHOKA Church of Christ
218 Lakewood • Box 127 • Tahoka, TX 79373
(806) 561-4502 • www.chcofahoka.com
PULPIT MINISTER: STEVEN BOWMAN
Sunday School - 10:00 am
Sunday Worship - 11 am
Fellowship & Devotion - Wednesday 9:30 am

First Baptist Church
1701 Ave. F • Box 164 • Tahoka, TX 79373
(806) 561-4502 • www.firstbaptist.org
PASTOR: JERRY STELLENFIELD
Sunday School - 9:45 am
Morning Worship Service - 10:45 am
S.M.E. (Youth) - 9:00 pm Sunday
Activities for All Ages • Conf. Day Conferences Seminars
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TAHOKA St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church
2025 S. Ave. W • Tahoka, TX 79373 • Office (806) 561-4611
PASTOR: FATHER JAMES L. ASTONISH • (806) 561-4604
SEMINAR: FATHER ROBERT G. GALE • (806) 561-4611
SUNDAY MASS • 10:00 am
Communion (Holy Communion) Wednesdays & Thursdays 6:00 pm
12:15 pm (Wednesdays) 7:00 pm
Registration: 10:00 am (Wednesdays) 9:00 am (Thursdays)

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WILSON COMMUNITY NEWS

by Bonnie S. Schwertner

Send news to: bonnie_schwertner_wilson@yahoo.com

Teachers not only received timely staff development and on campus treats, but were well fed during the week. St. John's Lutheran Church hosted a wonderful lunch at their church. Later in the week, the staff was treated to a lunch by First Baptist Church and Sacred Heart Catholic Church. I can only imagine the appreciation and fellowship within those meeting halls. Wilson Community members have hearts of gold!

Our first football game is this Friday at 7:30 p.m. In addition to seeing our Mighty Mustang athletes and amazingly talented cheer squad, I'm excited that we have a spirited mascot! Under all that fur is Angela Rendon. Friday Night Lights in Wilson will keep you jumping from your seat, and screaming yourself hoarse!

Two of our new teachers are Veronica Vasquez and Briana Robinson.

Veronica's hometown is Lubbock. Her favorite childhood memory is taking family car trips to California every summer. She is a Texas Tech graduate, and has years of experience with young students. She comes to us from nearby Crosbyton ISD.

By the looks of her classroom, and our conversation, I'm positive she will be a wonderful kindergarten teacher at Wilson.

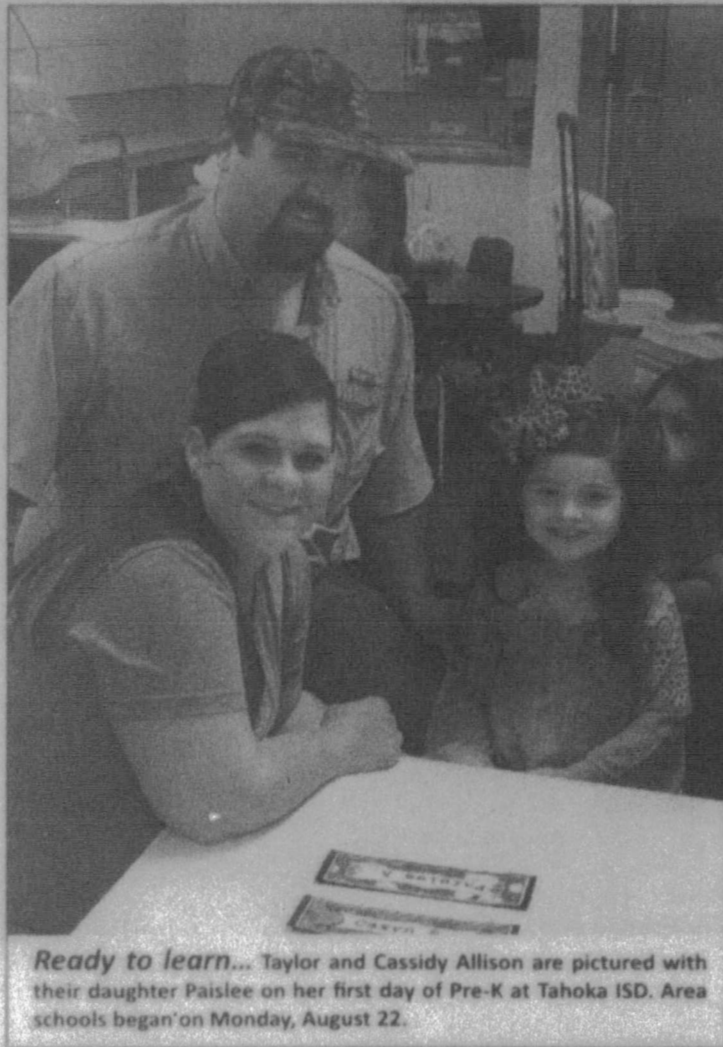
Briana's hometown is McAllen. She must have been an active child, since her greatest childhood memory was breaking her arm on a merry-go-round! She is a Texas Tech grad, which is where she met her husband, an Ag teacher in Southland. Her tremendous classroom knowledge came during her internship at Lubbock-Cooper West. I cannot wait to see the great success in her classroom.



Veronica Vasquez



Briana Robinson



Ready to learn... Taylor and Cassidy Allison are pictured with their daughter Paislee on her first day of Pre-K at Tahoka ISD. Area schools began on Monday, August 22.

FB&T sets community food drive to benefit local food pantry

In response to a plea for food donations by the Tahoka Church of Christ Food Pantry, FirstBank & Trust will be conducting a community wide food drive at their locations in Wilson and Tahoka. Those wishing to participate may donate 4 cans of food and receive 60 dollars in FirstBank & Trust Bank Bucks which may be redeemed in the bank buck store for merchandise.

Donations may be dropped off at either bank location during bank hours, which are 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Tahoka has extended motor bank hours on Monday and Friday until 6 p.m.

The bank's canned food drive is now in effect and will last through the month of September.

Wilson Branch President, Sharon Wilson, and Area President, Chuck Senter are committed to the communities of Wilson and Tahoka and the area served by the Food Pantry. "It is

our duty to our communities to not only serve as a local bank, but to also support in other ways as needed. We always want the best for our friends, family and neighbors," stated Area President Chuck Senter.



Thanksgiving Dinner this Sunday to benefit Sr. Center

All area citizens are invited to the Lynn County Pioneers Senior Citizens Center this Sunday, Aug. 28 12:00-2:00 p.m.

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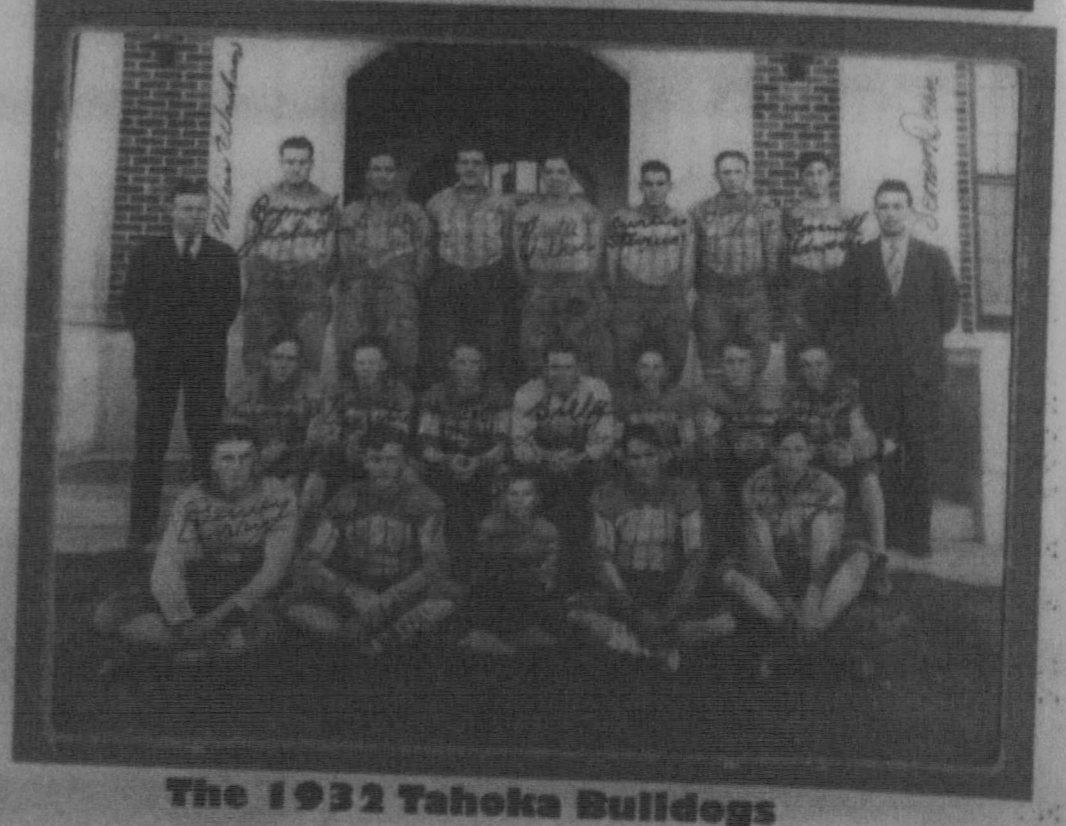
#1 - ERIC SALDANA
Favorite pastime: running
• Hidden talent: good communicator • Favorite school subject: history • Favorite line from a movie: "I got your back" (The Blind Side) • Who would you like to have dinner with? Michael Jordan

#2 - JUWAN HAMILTON
Nickname: J Smooth or J Ham • Hidden talent: bowling • Favorite quote: "How did you get fired on your day off?" • Favorite college football team & player: Georgia Bulldogs / Herschel Walker • What would you do with a million dollars? Buy my parents a house

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Thank you for extending so much love and support to our family during the passing of Robert Thomas Draper. Robert had one zip code all of his life and loved Lynn County and Tahoka people. You were there for his family when we needed you the most during this time of sorrow.
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NO. 16-03-07275
MICHELLE COLON SULLIVAN, ET AL. IN THE DISTRICT COURT
Plaintiff, §
V. § 106th JUDICIAL DISTRICT
MARY HELEN SANDOBAL, §
Individually and as Independent §
Executrix of the Estate of Esperanza §
Chavarria, And all persons unknown, §
claiming any legal or equitable right, title, §
estate, lien, or interest in the property §
described in the petition adverse to §
Plaintiff's title, or any cloud on Plaintiff's §
title thereto; §
Defendants. § OF LYNN COUNTY TEXAS

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF TEXAS
TO Mary Helen Sandobal, Individually and as Independent Executrix of the Estate of Esperanza Chavarria, et al, Defendants, and to all whom it may concern:
You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of 20 days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you. The petition of Michelle Sullivan, et al, Plaintiffs, was filed against Mary Helen Sandobal, Individually and as Independent Executrix of the Estate of Esperanza Chavarria, and all persons unknown, claiming any legal or equitable right, title, estate, lien, or interest in the property described in the petition adverse to Plaintiff's title, or any cloud on Plaintiff's title thereto. DEFENDENTS. This lawsuit is brought to quiet title and certain real property, breach of express warranty, and equitable estoppel.
Michelle Sullivan's attorney of record is Hunter Harris, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 968, Tahoka, Texas 79373.
The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the Plaintiff's interest which will be binding upon you.
Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at Lynn County Courthouse, Tahoka, Texas, located at 1501 S 1st St, Tahoka, TX, this the 22 day of August, 2016
Sandra Laws
Clerk of the 106TH Judicial District Court
Lynn County, Texas
By: Pete Vallejo, Deputy

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Centennial Celebration ...

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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.

Tall columns frame the front facade of the courthouse that had its origins in 1916, designed by W.M. Rice to replace the small wooden structure that served as the original courthouse during the county's early days. The design featured a four-story brick building, including a basement below ground level, and a jail on the top level, that was built for \$73,547. An additional \$3000 was added for cellblocks, special barred windows on the third floor, and a hangman's block (although there are no records of any hangings occurring at the courthouse).



Harvest Festival gives to community

... Lynn County Harvest Festival 2015 Queen Abbie Jackson (right) presents a \$500 donation from the Harvest Festival to Claudia Flippin, for the Tahoka Food Pantry, sponsored by the Tahoka Church of Christ. The funds will be used to help provide food for those in need.

(LCN PHOTO by Jannell Jones)

Standing the test of time is a beautiful black/gray marble staircase bisecting the first-floor foyer, and in fact all levels above ground have marble staircases leading to the next floor. Marble slab wainscoting throughout the building remains a unique feature of the courthouse.

The eye-catching design was so appealing that two other courthouses in Texas were built using the same plan. These look-alike courthouses are in Fairfield (Freestone County), built in 1919 for \$136,000, and in Dahart (Dallas County), built for \$200,000 in 1922.

Throughout the years, repairs and renovations to incorporate modern technology have slightly changed the look of the interior of the Lynn County Courthouse, but just last month county officials were notified of the approval of \$4.8 million in grant funding to restore the courthouse back to its original design while maintaining viable working space for business needs today and in the future.

Lynn County was named for Alamo defender George Washington Lynn in the legislative act of Aug. 21, 1876. The sparsely settled area called Lynn County was not officially organized until a quarter of a century later, in 1903. Near the center of the county was Tahoka Lake, a spring-fed natural campsite for

Indians, buffalo hunters, soldiers, and wagon trains. Tahoka was an Indian word meaning deep or clear water, or fresh water. The town of Tahoka was named the county seat the same year the county was organized. Today, Tahoka Lake is a privately owned area, and the lakebed is dry most of the year. Signs of old buffalo wallows still can be seen near the lake site, and to this day arrowheads can still be found, reminders of the history of the area. Mrs. Clyde May, owner of Tahoka Lake Pasture, has preserved the historic lake site and invites preservationists, researchers, and citizens to see the history preserved there.

Much of the county's history is preserved at the Pioneer Museum in Tahoka, and at the O'Donnell Museum.

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Bill Miller, Executive Director
Tahoka Housing Authority

NO. 2016PR0018

IN THE ESTATE OF E.G. WICKSTROM DECEASED § of § IN THE COUNTY COURT of LYNN COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of E.G. WICKSTROM, Deceased, were granted to JOY LEE WICKSTROM DANIEL, on August 03, 2016 in the probate court of Lynn County, Texas. All persons having claims against said Estate are hereby requested to present the same to JOY LEE WICKSTROM DANIEL within the time prescribed by law at the following address:

JOY LEE WICKSTROM DANIEL
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Lubbock, Texas 79413

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Commissioners Court of Lynn County, Texas will hold a public hearing to receive comments or questions of the public regarding its pending budget for budget year 2016-2017 on Monday, September 12, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Courtroom located in the Courthouse basement.

The proposed budget is on file in the County Clerk's office and may be viewed Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. till 12 noon and 1:00 p.m. till 5:00 p.m.

Items to be considered include a possible increase in longevity and the salaries to elected county and precinct officers as follows:

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| County Judge | \$32,089 | \$1,185 | \$33,694 | \$1,245 |
| Sheriff | \$34,777 | \$615 | \$37,516 | \$705 |
| County Clerk | \$31,021 | \$1,440 | \$32,572 | \$1,440 |
| District Clerk | \$31,021 | \$1,440 | \$32,572 | \$1,440 |
| Tax Assessor/Collector | \$31,021 | \$207 | \$32,572 | \$243 |
| Justice of The Peace Prec 1 | \$31,021 | \$171 | \$32,572 | \$207 |
| Justice of The Peace Prec 4 | \$20,258 | \$810 | \$21,271 | \$870 |
| Treasurer | \$31,021 | \$171 | \$32,572 | \$207 |
| County Attorney | \$31,021 | \$0 | \$32,572 | \$0 |
| County Auditor | \$18,000 | \$147 | \$18,000 | \$183 |

/s/ Mike Braddock, County Judge

NOTICE OF 2016 TAX YEAR PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR LYNN COUNTY

A tax rate of \$.89 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of

LYNN COUNTY

| | |
|---------------------------|----------------------|
| PROPOSED TAX RATE | \$.89 per \$100 |
| PRECEDING YEAR'S TAX RATE | \$.917 per \$100 |
| EFFECTIVE TAX RATE | \$.942751 per \$100 |

The effective tax rate is the total tax rate needed to raise the same amount of property tax revenue for

LYNN COUNTY from the same properties in both the 2015

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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

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LYNN COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT

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NOTICE OF 2016 TAX YEAR PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR TAHOKA, TEXAS

A tax rate of \$ 0.747030 per \$100 valuation has been proposed for adoption by the governing body of Tahoka, Texas. 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 Tahoka, Texas proposes to use revenue attributable to the tax rate increase for the purpose of operation and maintenance

| | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| PROPOSED TAX RATE | \$ 0.747030 per \$100 |
| PRECEDING YEAR'S TAX RATE | \$ 0.747030 per \$100 |
| EFFECTIVE TAX RATE | \$ 0.698174 per \$100 |
| ROLLBACK TAX RATE | \$ 0.754027 per \$100 |

The effective tax rate is the total tax rate needed to raise the same amount of property tax revenue for

Tahoka, Texas 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 Tahoka, Texas may adopt before voters are entitled to petition for an election to limit the rate that may be approved to the rollback rate.

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

First Hearing: August 29, 2016 at 5:30 P.M. at 1807 N. Main Street (rear)

Second Hearing: August 30, 2016 at 5:30 P.M. at 1807 N. Main Street (rear)