

Items to be removed from Nevels Cemetery - pg. 4

unteer Fire Dept., and then airlifted accidents in the county, two involving hitting a deer, were also reported during by helicopter ambulance to a Lubthe past two weeks, and an O'Donnell man was airlifted to a Lubbock hospital bock hospital, where he was reportedly placed in ICU. Following the incident, the abandoned house, near the O'Donnell High School football field, was destroyed in a controlled burn. Specimens of the bees were collected to transport to Texas Tech for study to determine if the bees were the Africanized variety. On Sunday, Sept. 25, police responded to a call just before 9 p.m. from a woman regarding an aggravated assault that had taken place at her residence on South 1st Street. The woman, 28, told police that when she returned home from doing laundry at her parents' home, her boyfriend (who also resides with the woman) began fighting with her and calling her names. When she told him she was going to sleep in her children's room, the man grabbed her forcefully by the arm, and then put a hunting knife to her throat, according to the police

and she was able to contact police from her parent's home in Tahoka. Police escorted the victim back to her

**Outstanding farmer awards** presented at ag tour - pg. 6

Did you know .

 Did you know an average person will spend 25 years asleep · Did you know the average person has over 1,460 dreams a year • Did you know over 500 meteorites hit the Earth each year

 Did you know due to gravitational effects you weigh slightly less when the moon is directly overhead

#### **Tahoka VFD raffle** winners announced

Tahoka Volunteer Fire Dept. held a fundraiser dinner and raffle last week. Winners of the raffle included Dana Powell Hagerman of New Mexico, who won the Browning 725 Field Sport Shotgun; and Nathan Houchin, who won the Yeti cooler.

What's utside NWS official readings for Tahoka			
Date	High	Low	Precip.
Sept 20	92	67	
Sept 21	91	68	
Sept 22	87	66	
Sept 23	88	63	
Sept 24	89	63	
Sept 25	79	65	0.12"
Sept 26	72 .	56	1.29"
(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:			5.34"
Total Pr	recip for l	Sept:	7.51"
Total Pr	recip. for	2016:	24.75"

after being stung over 100 times by bees.

## **LCHD Board to interview** six CEO candidates here

Lynn County Hospital District Board of Directors has selected six candidates to interview for the position of chief executive officer for the hospital, narrowing the list of applicants with the assistance of Torch Management Services to find candidates that best suit the district's needs.

There were a total of 35 applicants for the LCHD position, according to information from Board President Jannis Childress.

"After Torch Management Services reviewed the resumes, nine candidates were sent for the board

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to review, and out of those nine we selected six for interviews," said Childress.

Interviews have been scheduled for October 3, 4, and 5, starting at 5:00 p.m. each day. The board will interview two candidates each day.

After the interview process, the board will have the option of choosing a final candidate from among those interviewed, or may choose to interview another slate of candidates.

Jeff Barnhart, former CEO, resigned his position at LCHD recently to accept another position elsewhere.

residence, where the suspect, Kevin Duane Elmore, 28, was arrested on first-degree felony charges of aggravated assault domestic violence with a deadly weapon, a third-degree felony charge of unlawful restraint exposing victim to substantial risk of serious bodily injury, and criminal mischief for destruction of personal property.

A butcher knife was the weapon involved in another incident in Tahoka on Friday night, when police responded to a residence on south Ave. J at 11 p.m. The caller advised police that her son was trying to break through the front door of the home with a butcher knife. When the officer arrived, he found a male, age 17, sitting in a chair on the porch, and could hear an argument occurring inside the residence. The officer saw that the glass in the storm door was (See MAN STABS DOOR, poge 6)

#### New Home Leopards Homecoming Court ...

Pictured here are members of the New Home Homecoming Court, from left: Sydni Salvato, Celee Smith, D'Audree Dominguez, Katherine Barrington, and Abbie Jackson.

Barrington (below) was crowned 2016 Queen, and Garrett Jameson was King.

I have six locks on my door all in a row. When I go out, I lock every other one. I figure no matter how long somebody stands there picking the locks, they are always locking three. ELAYNE BOOSLER

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October 3-7 Monday: Sloppy Joe on bun. -country potato salad, carrots & zuochini, creamy frust square Tuesday: Beef, macaroni, & tomato casserole, lima beans. fruit & oatmeal bar Wednesday: Baked chicken breast, baked potato, peas pineapple tidbits, chocolate pudding

Thursday: Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, Italian veg., garlic toast, Autumn Jello

Friday: Breaded fish sandwich, potato wedges, coleslaw, peach chantilly Mark your calendars

. Calvert Homehealth will be coming to the Center for HayClinic on Oct. 12 from 11 p.m.-1 p.m. Shots are free with



#### Freda Dotson Wood

Freda Dotson Wood, of Denton TX, the comedian of our family passed away Tuesday, September 20, 2016. She fought her battle with courage and grace

She was preceded in death by father, Jack Dotson, mother, Eunice Dotson, brother, James Dotson and sister Elwanda Ford (Sissy). She attended Tahoka schools.

Those she left behind. husband, Lee Wood; sons, John Wood (Beverly), Barry Wood, bother, Glenn Dotson (Ann), sisters, Vonnell Lindsey (Sherill) and Linda Kelley (Jerry), six grandchildren, five great grandchildren, and a large extended family and friends who knew and loved her.

A celebration of life will be held on October 8, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. at The Portwood Pavillion, located at 800 E. Morris St.; Seymour TX. (PA-EE))



Medicare card Medicare Open Enrollment Presentation, prescription plan/ Medicare Part D - annual election period/Medicare plan comparison during the lunch bour on Oct. 3, at the Center.



## bituaries

#### Leslie Gregory

Leslie Ann Burtner Gregory, 67, passed away on Saturday, September 24, 2016 in Dalhart, Texas.

Funeral service will be at 3:00 pm on Thursday, September 29, 2016 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Dumas, Texas. There will be viewing followed by a service in Kansas City, KS at 2 pm Saturday, October 1, 2016 at the Porter Funeral Home in Kansas City, KS. Burial to follow in Osborne, KS. Arrangements provided by Horizon Funeral Home and Porter Funeral Home.

Leslie Ann Burtner Gregory was born October 25, 1948 in Buffalo, NY to Orville Leslie Burtner and Mildred Nadine (Davidson) Burtner. Her family moved back to Kansas City, KS in 1953. She was a proud member of the Wyandotte High School class of 1966, whose 50th class reunion is being held Sept. 30 and Oct. 1, 2016. She graduated from the University of Kansas in 1970, earning a BA in Latin American Studies. She graduated from the Episcopal Seminary of the Southwest in Austin, TX in 1991, earning a Master's of Divinity degree. Leslie was an Episcopal Priest, having been ordained by Bishop Sam Hulsey May 8, 1992 in Lubbock, TX. She served several churches in Texas including Brownfield, Kermit, Andrews, Monahans, St. John's in Odessa and, since 2009, St. Paul's in Dumas. She was a founding member of the Board of Directors for the Permian Basin Inter-Tribal Powwow in Odessa. In 1995, she became heavily involved in prison ministry, first in Odessa and then for the entire Episcopal Diocese of the Northwest, Leslie married Alan Bryant Gregory in Kansas City, KS on July 31, 1988. They rented a U-Haul and moved to Austin, Texas for her to begin

her Seminary studies eight days later. Leslie and Alan spent their married lives in Austin, Wilson, Crane and Dalhart, TX. Their daughter, Alexandra was born March 26, 1990 in Austin, TX. We believe that Alexandra was the first child born to a female Seminarian in the Episcopal system. When Leslie started breast-feeding Alex in classes, the Seminary was forced to create a policy allowing that to be done. Leslie loved singing and some of the happiest times in her life were spent singing in the choir at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Dumas, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

She is survived by her husband, Alan Gregory of Dalhart, TX; daughter Alexandra and husband Clayton Parker of Odessa, TX; two brothers and their wives, Dale and Carolyn Burtner of Olympia, WA and Charles and Ruth Ann Burtner of Scottsdale, AZ; two nephews, two nieces, four grand-nephews and three grand-nieces.

Memorials may be made to St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Dumas, TX. (PAID)



#### Mammogram saved my life

In October the Mobile Mammogram Unit will be here in Tahoka. I would like to take a moment to encourage all the women in Lynn County, and for them to encourage someone they may know, to get your yearly mammogram done.

As it states on their flyer Early detection. Key to surviving Breast Cancer". I am living proof of that! I am a Breast Cancer Survivor today!!! I have been doing mammograms for years and would always dread and complain about them. Not anymore! This past May I went for my annual mammogram and was diagnosed with early Invasive Lobular Breast Cancer. Vith the help from God, my family, friends, prayers and a wonderful medical team I am a survivor today. So PLEASE do your annual mammograms ..., it could save your life!! -- A Breast Cancer Survivor and



E ALL HAVE heard the advice, "Don't sweat the small stuff," and preachers and others are always urging us to keep our sights set on the really important things in life, higher goals and all that. But that doesn't keep most of us from getting all bent out of

shape over things which really don't matter much. For example, I still get bothered by people who install toilet

paper so that it feeds from the bottom of the roll instead of the top. I even wrote a column about this once. Even my wife, who has better priorities than I do, has a

couple of little things which bug her. For one, she really hates it when I open the car door and leave the key in the ignition for a few seconds. The beeping sound greatly irritates her and I usually am immediately advised of this.

That's just one little thing. I, on the other hand, am bothered by lots of little things. Just last Sunday at the noon meal I commented negatively on the mashed potatoes. "I like potatoes fixed almost any old way, but I really don't like them that much mashed," I said. And one of my daughters spoke right up:

"We know, dad. You say that every time," implying that nobody wants to hear it again.

I don't believe I say it every time. I remember once in 1993 when I had a cold and lost my voice, I didn't say anything about the mashed potatoes.

Back to the bathroom for a minute: One thing which really bothers me is commodes which won't flush, especially those which flush just fine for everybody else, but don't work properly when I trip the handle. I complain about the equipment and someone else steps into the bathroom and flushes it the very first time. Then they go off muttering things like "that old guy has a college degree and he can't even flush a commode."

There are many little things which bother people, and none of them matter much in the long run.

So I am going to try to ignore all those little things I don't like and concentrate on things I do like. As soon as I can come up with any. ~ May 31, 2005

was left handed too. He set out to teach us to write legibly by giving us penmanship classes each day.

We had great teachers some more likable than others but we still learned reading. writing and arithmetic. John Shepherd was a favorite of mine because he helped me struggle through math and finally pass

Easter. She called me and said she was short on time and could I come and hem her Easter dress. She came and picked me up and brought me home. My self esteem soared! I loved doing that for her. I loved sewing but cooking, not so much. Sewing served me well with 4 children (3 girls) and a husband who liked custom shirts.

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#### Wonderful memories

I enjoy the LCN although I don't know many of the folks in the newspaper these days unless they are relatives but I've thoroughly enjoyed the 'Where in the world is the LCN?' and Where are they now?

1 spent 12 years at THS and have wonderful memories there. I graduated in 1958 and the 50's were truly a wonderful time to spend your teen years. The classmates we see at get-togethers and reunions are so dear I want to hug them all ... and usually do.

I remember Miss McWhirter in first grade spatted me on the leg with a ruler because I drew the boats beside the instructions instead of below the instructions in our workbook. Then in third grade I had Mrs. McWhirter and Mr. McWhirter was my teacher in 5th or 6th grade. He had the most beautiful handwriting and

with a grade of C-. Whew!

And above all, Mrs Hegi had the greatest influence on my life. She was a wonderful example to. follow. One special memory of her was on a Saturday before

Those were certainly good times, although we didn't always see it that way back then. - Mary Evelyn (Hammonds) Ethridge

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Appreciation luncheon... The Tahoka Rotary Club had an appreciation lunch for the Tahoka/Lynn County Law Enforcement on Thursday, Sept. 22. Pictured front row from left Hipolito Zuniga, Charlie Duran, Mia Saldana, Felicia Vallejo Rebeca Pando, Marcus Vega, and Jeremiah DeLeon. Back row from left Martin Rosas, guest speaker retired Lubbock officer (back) Johnny Hudson, Eusevio Resendez, Albert Flores, Sheriff Jerry D. Franklin, Jeff Parker, Pete Vallejo, Police Chief Miguel Reyna, and Abraham Vega. "We are proud supporters of our local Law Enforcement and appreciate all that they do for our community", said a Rotary member.



## Where n are they

Where are Tahoka High School exes, and what are they doing now? Here is a late

\* Bobby Gunnels, Class of 1977 Been married 38 years, have wonderful Gunnels boys, 6 grandkiddos, we live over near Brownfield, and am still working with Halliburton. Maybe

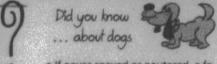
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Where in the world is



 If never spayed or neutered, a female dog, her mate, and their puppies could produce over 66,000 dogs in 6 years!

· Like human babies, Chihuahuas are born with a soft spot in their skull which closes with age

• The breed Lundehune has 6 toes and can close its ears

· Teddy Roosevelt's dog, Pete, ripped a French ambassador's pants off at the White House

### Wilson Health Fair is Oct. 4

The Wilson ISD Health Fair will be held on Tuesday October 4th, from 8:30 to noon in the junior high gym. Flu shots will be available for \$20. Cash or Medicare accepted.

## O'Donnell Homecoming Weekend Schedule given

Friday, September 30, 2016 2:45 - Ribbon Cutting

## WILSON COMMUNITY

NEWS by Bonnie S. Schwertner Send news to: onnie\_schwertner wilson@yahoo.com

Friday night lights! I was watching game video clips, and could distinctly hear two familiar voices yelling: Keith's and mine. And we weren't even close to the camera! This time, I brought the pom-poms my mom had saved from my pep squad days. What surprises me most, is that nobody got a video of me being a "cheerleader wannabe" in the stands. I'm sure it would have gone viral, and made the world laugh out loud!

Speaking of cheerleaders, the participants of the youth cheerleader camp performed at the pep rally, and again during the game. Their halftime show was spectacular, and still has me smiling. A huge thank you to sponsor, Tiffany Moreno, and the high school cheerleaders. Participating were: PK - Karaly Pharis; Kinder - Aeryanna Brown, Analiyah Guzman Mendez, Samantha Isham, Malirie Johnston, Sophia Lara, and Desiree Nino; 1st - Emmely Balderas, Aleigha Calsoncit. Lauren Llanas, Allison Vogler; 2nd - Neveah Arriaga, Destiny Martinez, Jaylan Rodriguez; 3rd

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## **Commissioners approve preliminary** plans for two new subdivisions

#### by JUANELL JONES

Lynn County Commissioners approved preliminary plans for two new subdivisions, both in the northwest portion of the county, during their regular meeting held Monday morning. Hunter Harris, an attorney with Huffaker Law, presented information on both subdivisions to commissioners.

Harris presented one plan noting that it was an amended plat for the Palms of Kitty Hawk, a subdivision being sold by Charles Smith, who he said has begun the second phase of the subdivision with plots a little smaller than the first phase. The other subdivision, being sold by Vickie and Gaylon Zant, will be called Cotton Field Estates. The Zants are selling five 2-acre lots in an area just north of New Home, and south of County Road 3, off of FM 1730. Commissioners accepted both preliminary plans as presented.

Esparza and Alyssa Matheus (seniors), Rachel Reese and Randee Autry (juniors), Amber Guzman and Britany Joplin (sophomores), and Gabriel Reese, Justin Guzman, and Ryan Isham (freshmen).

Wilson ISD will have a health fair in the junior high gym on Tuesday, October 4, from 8:30-noon. Flu shots will be available for \$20. Cash and Medicare accepted.

#### Wilson Sports

The Wilson Mustangs stampeded the Cotton Center Elks, 67-21. The score was close during the first quarter, with the Elks taking a two-point lead, their only lead of the game. From that point, the Mustangs continued to rack up points, holding the Elks to a measly 8 points until deep into the 3rd quarter. The score quickly grew from 47-8 to 47-21.

Penalties plagued Cotton Center, most due to delay of

In other business, commissioners approved allowing Victim Advocate Lena Cloe to apply for a Statewide Automated Victim Notification Service grant for \$6,200 that provides access for victims of crime to a database system that provides information about the release date/status of offenders in their cases, without cost to Lynn County.

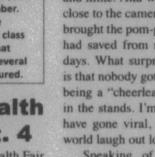
As required annually by law, commissioners voted to set the dates for convening in regular term, choosing to keep meetings on the second and fourth Mondays, at 9 a.m.

An annual Indigent Defense contract was also approved. which is a contract shared by the four counties, including Lynn, in the 106th Judicial District. Lynn County's portion is based on the number of indigent defense cases in the previous year. This year, Lynn County's portion increased slightly, with the cost share of 10.91% amounting to \$8,182 for the year, as compared to \$7,867 last year.

Commissioners also unanimously approved three resolutions pertaining to state funding for indigent criminal defense, as put forth by Texas Association of Counties. The resolutions seek state funding for counties to provide indigent defense, expresses opposition to appraisal caps and revenue caps, and opposes unfunded mandates by the state.

Approval was given for Commissioner Larry Durham, Pct. 4, to accept bids for a motor grader (with a trade-in of the current motor grader) through the Local Government Purchasing Cooperative. Monthly bills were also approved.

County Judge Mike Braddock reminded commissioners that an executive session will be held Oct. 3 for all commissioners to attend to discuss financing options for the courthouse restoration/renovation



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LCN goes to Vegas ... The Lynn County News was taken on a trip to the MGM Grand Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, with (from left) B'anca DeLeon, Jennifer DeLeon, Helen Saldana, Janet Lara and Joann Saldana as they celebrated B'anca's 21st birthday. The celebration included a four day stay at the MGM Grand Hotel, front row seats at the George Strait concert, roller coaster rides at the New York New York hotel, shopping and lots of sight-seeing. Also attending the celebration, but not pictured, were Joe and Clara Calvillo.

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- 3:00- Recognition of 7 Distinctions - The Highest Honors from TEA - Inside New Gymnasium
- 3:00 Homecoming Pep Rally - New Gymnasium
- \* 3:30 4:30 Open House/ Tour of Building
- 7:30 Homecoming Game against Spur at 7:30 - OISD Football Field

#### Saturday, October 1, 2016

- 10:00 Homecoming Parade - Meet at O'Donnell Gin and Grain
- 10:00 (following parade)- Cotton Fest Downtown O'Donnell
- 6:00 Homecoming Alumni Banquet - Elementary Commons
- 7:30 First Baptist Revival - O'Donnell Town Square
- Street Dance at conclusion of Revival - O'Donnell Town Square

Gracie Pharis, Evan Valadez, Brittany Ysasaga; 4th - Zoey Bartley, Addisson Leroy, Shawna Steen; 5th - Amaya Marti-

Sarah Alexander is this year's Wilson High School Student Council Sponsor. She has already been an inspiration to our current members: Analys



Little cheerleaders... Analiyah Guzman Mendez, left, and Karaly Pharis, right, recently attended cheer camp in Wilson and performed last Friday's game.

ood Graft

Come enjoy the parade at 10:00am to kick off our 28th Annual **Cotton Festival** 

Revival at 7.30 pm & Street Dance town square in O'Donnell, TX Saturday, October 1, 2016

game, and fumbles slowed their progression.

Wilson had a herd of show-stopping Mustangs, who brought on the "45ed" victory during the first minutes of the 4th quarter. Bryan Mendez passed for five touchdowns, Bailey Steen rushed for three touchdowns and received for his

> fourth. Also scoring TDs were Lance Lopez (3), and one each for M. Garcia, S. Wilke, and T. Pantoja. Total yardage was also a good indicator of the Elk's fate. Wilson's total was 482, with runs for 222 and passes for 260. The Elks totaled 180, with 175 run

and 5 passed.

project. County commissioners have not yet officially accepted a \$4.8 million grant that has been approved from the Texas Historical Courthouse Preservation Program for the restoration project, as they are still considering how to finance the remaining portion of the project not covered under grant funds. They do expect, however, to officially accept the funds, once they determine how to fund the entire project.

Judge Braddock led Monday's hour-long session, with all four commissioners present including Larry Durham, Don Blair, John Hawthorne and Keith Wied, as well as other county officials.



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## News from the CITY-COUNTY LIBRARY

#### Library closed October 3-5

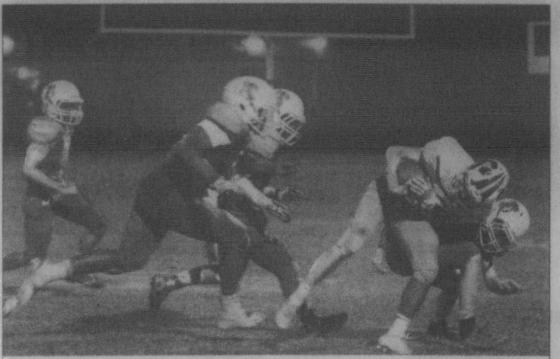
The City-County Library will be closed October 3rd -October 5th for Library staff training. There will be no story time that Wednesday but there will be art classes. Monday, October 10, the Library will be closed for Columbus Day.

#### **Upcoming** October Events

Monday, Oct. 17 at 5 p.m.: Children's Area Ribbon cutting and reception honoring Bettye and Harold Green.

Monday, Oct. 24 - Thursday, Oct. 27. Treasure Hunt at local businesses during their business hours.

Thursday & Friday, Oct. 27 & 28: Library Book Sale 9 a.m.-12 p.m. (both days), 1-6 p.m. Thursday and 1-5 p.m. on Friday



Take him down ... Tahoka's Colbe Perez stops a Sundown ball-carrier, with Eric Saldana (1), Nick Arce (3) and Kevin White (9), running to assist, in Friday night's loss to Sundown. (ICN PHOTO by Abraham Vega)



Field trip... Monday September 26, Tahoka third grade students a toured the City-County Library. They had popcorn and juice before being entertained with a puppet and ventriloquist show by Judith Miller. New Boxcar books have been added to the library for third graders to explore. Call the Library to set up a field trip for your class at 561-4050.

Did you know.. about dogs

. The very first animal to go into space was a dog, a Russian dog named Laika who travelled in the spacecraft Sputnik around the earth in 1957.

 Some dogs change colors as they grow, like Dalmatians which are born white and then develop black spots as they mature. Airedales are similar, born completely black they will grow grey, black and tan fur as they get older. To many dogs showing a smile (baring your teeth) is an act of aggression. Most dogs don't smile with their mouths like people do, but show happiness and excitement by wagging their tails.

## Buildogs fall to tough Roughnecks

a tough Sundown team Friday night.

On the opening drive, the Bulldogs fumbled the ball and Sundown was able to scoop it up and score. The two-point conversion was good and the Roughnecks led 8-0. The Bulldogs were able to answer with a score of their own on a sustained drive that saw them convert several 3rd downs when Brit Lockaby dove across the line. The point after went through and Tahoka cut the lead 8-7.

Sundown was able to contect on a long touchdown pass and add a two-point conversion to extend their lead 16-7. Juwan Hamilton responded the very next series as he went off the ride side of the. line for 53 yards to get into the



The Bulldogs fell 50-19 to end zone. The kick sailed right and the first quarter ended 16-13.

The second quarter saw Sundown add two more touchdowns and one PAT to take a 29-13 halftime lead. Sundown was able to find the end zone again with three minutes remaining in the 3rd quarter to extend their lead 36-13. Brit Lockaby was able to find an opening in the middle of the defense on the next possession and raced 71 yards for the Bulldogs' final score of the night. The twopoint conversion was unsuccessful, and Sundown led 36-19.

The 4th quarter opened with Sundown punching the ball in from four yards out. They again found the end zone with 3:30 left in the game to make the final 50-19.

**Rushing Yards:** Brit Lockaby: 134 yards; 2 touchdowns

Juwan Hamilton: 79 yards; I

touchdown Andrew Alvarez: 21 yards Passing: Brit Lockaby: 7-15-67 yards **Receiving:** Colbe Perez: 29 yards Kevin White: 21 yards Juwan Hamilton: 14 yards Malik Hamilton: 3 yards

"It was a tough night for us Friday night," said Coach Brandon Hopper. "With an open week this week, we are able to have two weeks to prepare for our opening district game. Our kids are excited to get the district schedule started and make a run at a play-off spot and a district championship."

The Dogs will host Seagraves on Oct. 7, with kickoff moved up to 7 p.m. for the remaining games in the season.





we will be removing those items? and disposing of them immediately. Please do not put items other than flowers in attached vases on graves," said a city official. "If you have items there that you would like to keep, please pick them up before Monday."

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Anyone who would like a copy of the rules for Nevels Cemetery should contact Retha Pittman at Tahoka City Hall, 806-561-4211.

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Gy an amplications for a position in the Grounds Maintenance Department. Requirements include a high diploma or GED, a valid Texas driver's license, and must be able to pass a background check. The successful candidate must be self-motivated, able to operate mowers and weed eaters, and have the ability to work without supervision. This is a full time position with benefits.

Questions about the position may be directed to the Public Works

#### LYNN COUNTY JOB POSTINGS:

The Lynn County Sheriff's Office currently has job openings for the part-time position of Communications Operator/Dispatcher and a part-time position for Animal Control Officer. The positions will be available

Communications Operator/Dispatcher Job Requirements -- Education. training, experience: Applicant must hold at least a high school diploma or GED. Applicant must also pass a drug test. Communications Operator to receive and process 9-1-1 emergency and non-emergency calls through various methods Ability to maintain composure during high stress situations and efficiently multi-task in constrictive time frames. Ability to operate multiple computer software programs, operate standard office equipment and two and heat least 18 years

Animal Control Officer Part-Time Position is also available. Anolications can be obtained at the Lynn County Sheriff, Ads Office



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## **HPWD** adopts lowest tax rate in 20 years

During their Sept High the 13 meeting. Plains Underground Water **Conservation District (HPWD)** Board of Directors approved a resolution reducing the 2016 ad valorem tax rate to \$.0075 per \$100 valuation for operation and maintenance of the district.

Persons with \$100,000 in property value will pay \$7.50 in taxes to HPWD under the approved rate, compared to \$8.03 in 2015. Overall, the lower tax rate will decrease tax revenue by about six percent as compared to 2015.

"I am pleased to announce that the HPWD Board of Directors have adopted the lowest ad valorem tax rate in the past 20 years," said Board President Lynn Tate of Amarillo. "Beginning three years ago, the Board set a priority to achieve balanced annual budgets. We have worked diligently with HPWD munagement to get to this point which allows us to reduce the 2016 tax rate." he said.

## **Outstanding farmer awards presented** during annual Lynn County Ag Tour

Farmers, ranchers, agribusinessmen and women gathered last Wednesday, Sept. 21 at Texas Star Co-Op Gin at Wilson to attend the annual Lynn County Ag. Tour to look at ag practices in the Wilson portion of the county. Outstanding farmer awards were also presented during the tour, which was sponsored by the Texas A & M AgriLife Extension Service, the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and the Lynn County Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD).

The farm tour started at the Texas Star Gin in Wilson and concluded with a noon meal sponsored by Lynn-Garza Farm Bureau. Clint Robinson, Sr. Vice President of Capital Farm Credit, presented awards for the Outstanding Farmer and Outstanding Young Farmer of the year, with the 2016 awards going to John Fields, who was named Outstanding Farmer, and to Heath and Chance Talkmitt (Talkmitt & Talkmitt Partnership), who were recognized as the 2016 Outstanding Young Farmers.

Craig Heinrich, the Craig Kitten family, Ty Askew and Clyde May provided fields for stops on the farm tour. At Heinrich's farm, information was presented about his corn crop, including planting and management information. Dr. Calvin Trostle discussed corn and milo agronomy. On the Kitten family's farm, information was presented about their cotton crop, including planting and management information.

Dr. Jason Woodward, plant pathologist with Texas AgriLife Research discussed plant pest. nematodes and diseases in cotton; Seth Byrd, agronomist with Texas Agrilife discussed agronomic principles and Tommy Doederlein, Integrated Pest Management specialist with Texas Agrilife reviewed his soil sampling program.

At Ty Askew's farm, information was presented about his conversion from row crops to native grass. NRCS staff and Katie Verett, sales representative for Dow Agrosciences, discussed grass varieties, government conservation programs and weed management strategies in new grass stand.

At Clyde May's Tahoka Lake Pasture, information was presented about the ranch, including management and historical information and information about their new visitor's center, Manuel DeLeon, NRCS wildlife biologist for the Texas Panhandle, and Katie Verett, sales representative for Dow Agrosciences provided information about brush management, wildlife concerns and available chemicals for weed and brush control; a plant identification contest was done. The plant identification contest was won by John Scott, followed by Heath Talkmitt in second and Cody Donald in third.

Rodney Schoppa, County Executive Director for the Lynn County Farm Service Agency (FSA), discussed the Continuous Conservation Reserve Program (CCRP) program and how useful and beneficial this program is for this area. Schoppa stated that it allows the dryland corners outside the center pivots to be put in grass for up to 15 years, and stated that this is a good program for agricultural producers in Lynn County. He also discussed the Wetland CCRP program and explained how it works; and talked about the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) and how competitive it has become and difficult to get land into regular CRP. In fiscal year 2016, Lynn County got six contracts approved out of about 40 applications. Schoppa informed the group that the CCRP program is a continuous signup year round and that the regular CRP program has a

the staff is busy with end of the year issues and they are trying to keep up with AGI forms as they are turned in.

Schoppa also reminded producers that they need to come in and certify any wheat that they planted this fall, even if it is used as cover. He reminded producers to plan ahead and think about how their crop certification can affect any government program payments.

Matt Dorsett, NRCS District Conservationist for Lynn County reviewed the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) and encouraged producers to apply year round.

"Producers do not want to wait until we have funding to come apply." Dorsett said. "Producers need to make application, we will work together with FSA to ensure program eligibility, we will build a plan and get a good estimate at what will be involved prior to an application being eligible for funding."

Dorsett also discussed the Conservation Stewardship Pro-



Outstanding farmers ... John Fields (left) was recognized as the 2016 Outstanding Farmer last Wednesday, Sept. 21 during the Lynn County Ag Tour. Also honored were Heath and Chance Talkmitt (Talkmitt & Talkmitt Partnership), at right, who were recognized as the 2016 Outstanding Young Farmers. They are shown with Clint Robinson, Sr. Vice President of Capital Farm Credit who provided the plaques for the awards. The winners were selected by a committee composed of representatives from the USDA agencies, financial institutions and previous year's winners.

gram (CStP), Agricultural Conservation Easement Program (ACEP), NRCS Conservation Client Gateway. "CStP gives producers points for conservation practices that they are currently doing and gives them an opportunity to apply conservation enhancements on their land for additional points which can translate to a yearly payment," he said. "NRCS offers 10 year, 15 year and perpetual conser-

vation casements through the ACEP program. Conservation Client Gateway is a new web portal offered by NRCS where producers can access their contracts and conservation plans from home."

Dorsett reminded producers with entities to keep their Dun and Bradstreet and System for Award Management (SAM) registration numbers up to date as they do expire annually.



Leopards win Homecoming ... After giving up two early scores, the Leopard defense looked to stop the Eagles running attack. New Home won their homecoming game with a final score of 64-31.

## Man stabs door trying to get in

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7:30 p.m. from a vehicle exiting street just south of the courtthe parking lot of a local convenience store. Police stopped the vehicle for an expired registration, but when the driver rolled down the window the officer could detect a strong odor of marijuana coming from inside the vehicle. The four male occupants were asked to exit the vehicle, and a search revealed an illegal knife, known as a push dagger, on one of the men. No drugs were found, and the other three males were allowed to return to the vehicle and leave the scene, but the Lamesa man was arrested, without incident, on charges of unlawfully carrying a weapon. Six accidents were reported in the county during the past two weeks, two involving deer, and one due to water over the road. The Sheriff's Office also received numerous calls from drivers on US 87 whose vehicles had flooded or were stranded due to flooding waters over the highway just north of Tahoka, during the early morning hours in heavy rains both Friday and Saturday, Sept. 16-17. A female driver also said that water on the road on Hwy 380 four miles west of Tahoka was to blame in an accident reported on Sept. 12 at 6:53 a.m. Eva Vargas, driver of a maroon Nissan, said her vehicle ended up in a field after hitting water on the road. She was transported by Lynn County EMS for treatment. On Sept. 14. driver Linda Barrientez hit a deer about 5 miles north of Tahoka on US 87 at 8:23 p.m., with minor damage reported to her vehicle. Cary Tekell reported his 2013 Ford pickup was totaled after hitting a deer at 9:04 p.m. on Sept. 15, at FM 1317 and FM 1730. Also on the 15th, two vehicles collided at FM 211 and County Road M at 4:05 p.m. Carric Ballard of New Home was the driver of a 2015 Mitsubishi Highlander SUV that collided with a 2015 Chevrolet flatbed truck owned by Sundown Tubing Testing. No injuries were reported. On Sept 17.

arrested Sunday night about two vehicles collided on the house in Tahoka, but the report was unavailable in this case,

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short sign up period.

After talking about programs, Schoppa talked about eligibility and encouraged producers to come by the FSA office to get their Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) forms to be eligible for pool payments and other government payments. He discussed the upcoming County Committee (COC) election for the northeast part of the county that will take place this year. Ballots will be mailed out November 7th; Tony Bishop and Jack Scott will be on the ballot.

Schoppa discussed the need to keep the FSA office informed about any farm changes and owner changes early in the year to avoid problems later in the year, explaining that "this is very important to avoid possible loss of government payments, problems with gins, PCCA and possible problems with crop insurance." He updated producers about what is currently going on in the FSA office as far as that

the wooden front door was splintered. A female then opened the remains of the front door and told the officer that her son was outside the residence. was armed with a knife, and had destroyed the doors trying to get inside his home.

According to the report, "the male suspect advised that he had broken the doors, but that he had thrown the knife away" in the grass on the opposite side of the front porch, and the officer observed a hunting knife in the area indicated. The young man told police that they had a "family argument." The officer stated in the report that "an odor associated with an alcoholic beverage could be detected on the suspect's breath during the conversation."

According to several family members, the young man had become upset after an argument with his parents, and when his father closed the door with his son still outside the residence, the young man became more irate, getting the hunting knife out of a vehicle, and breaking the glass of the storm door. When the father realized his son had smashed the exterior storm door, he closed the main entry wooden door, at which point the young man began cutting at the wooden door as well, and the parents called the police.

The parents requested not to file charges for the damage to the doors of the residence, but police arrested the young man on charges of public intoxication.

A Tahoka man, 39, was arrested for unlawful carrying of weapons and for possession of drug paraphernalia, after police received a call about an "unwanted subject" about 6 p.m. Sunday night, Sept. 18 at a residence on South 1st Street. Upon arrival, police found the man and discovered he was carrying several prohibited weapons on his person, including a set of homemade nunchucks (or chain sticks), and an illegal knife, as well as a glass pipe.

And, a Lamesa man, 19, was

On Sept. 19, Barbara Amador was the driver of a 2005 Ford SUV belonging to George Martinez of Tahoka, that struck a parked 2015 Chevrolet pickup owned by Chemical Weed Control in Brownfield, at 8 a.m. in the 2000 block of N. 2nd Street in Tahoka. No injuries were reported.

Sheriff's officers received two calls only minutes apart from two Wilson residents about 9 p.m. Sept. 12. The first call was a woman who told officers that she believed her son was in danger, being threatened by 10 men believed to have guns, that were looking for her son. Another call two minutes later was from the threatened man's sister, who said she believed her brother was in danger from 6 men with guns in a car, because she had seen the threat posted on facebook. Gunshots were reportedly heard in the area near the school, but officers did not find any suspects, and the man allegedly being threatened was unharmed. The case is still under investigation.

A Tahoka woman reported Sept. 13 that several juveniles were throwing rocks at her horses near her residence in south Tahoka, but that she was going to work with the guardians of the youth and not file animal abuse charges.

A caller at 9:32 p.m. Sept. 14 told officers that she wanted to report an incident in which another female had received a broken arm. The caller said she had been drinking, and that another person was aiming at her when they threw a beer bottle at her, but missed and hit another girl instead, breaking her arm.

A 32-year-old man from New Home was arrested on charges of assault family violence on Sept. 18, allegedly for hitting his wife, 28. The call came in at 1:30 a.m.

Lynn County Jail held 41 inmates during the past week, including 12 for Lynn County and 29 for Ector County.