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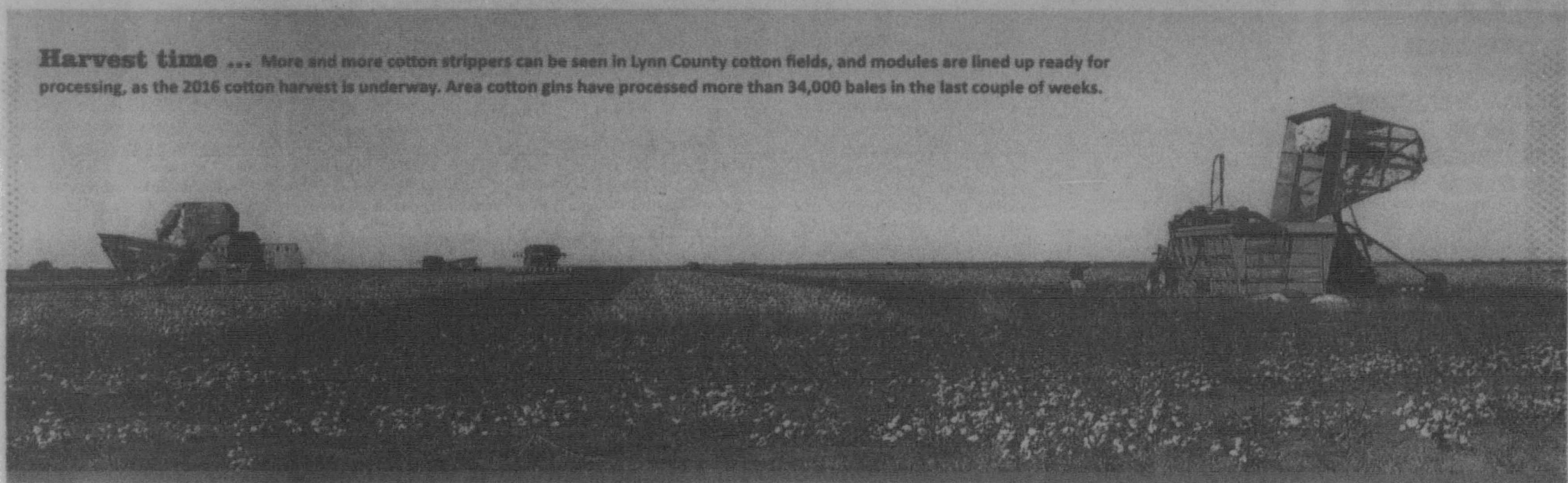
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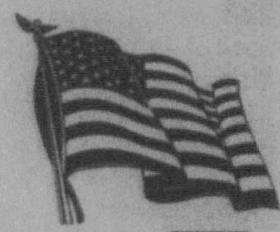
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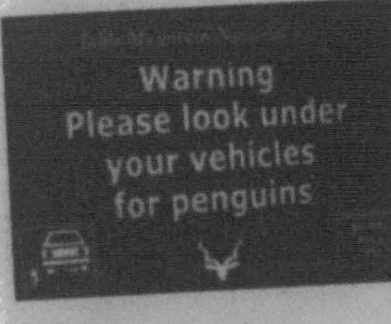
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## Strange BUT TRUE

Look for "Strange but True" stories and tidbits inside this issue, in our annual nod to Halloween - "just for fun!"

... like this one below:



This sign was posted at Table Mountain National Park in South Africa.

*'Did you know' ...*  
• Did you know arachibutyrophobia is fear of peanut butter sticking to the roof of your mouth

## What's Outside

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Oct 18	91	55	
Oct 19	78	51	
Oct 20	88	50	
Oct 21	71	43	
Oct 22	73	43	
Oct 23	82	50	
Oct 24	86	53	

(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 Precip for Sept:	7.51"
Total Precip for Oct:	0.25"
Total Precip. for 2016:	25.00"

## Hospital Board names Randy Lindauer as CEO

Lynn County Hospital District Board of Directors has announced that Randy Lee Lindauer is the new Chief Executive Officer for the hospital in Tahoka. After interviewing six candidates for the position, the LCHD Board of Directors met on Saturday, October 22 and voted unanimously to offer the CEO position to Lindauer, Board President Jannis Childress told *The News*. He is expected to begin his duties as Lynn County Hospital CEO on November 7.



RANDY LINDAUER

Lindauer has worked in healthcare for the past 35 years in Indiana, Pennsylvania, Florida, and most recently as CEO of a rural hospital in Kansas.

Lindauer and his wife Debbie have four children - one son, and three daughters.

"My family and I are very excited

about relocating to the Lynn County area," says Lindauer, adding, "This area is perfect for raising a family with great schools, people and a great community."

Lindauer has a Bachelor's degree in Engineering, a Bachelor's and Master's in Healthcare Administration, and studied Healthcare Leadership at Harvard School of Public Health.

He holds the Fellow status with the American Academy of Medical Administrators and highest honor of "Diplomate" status with the American Academy of Medical Administrators as well. He is a member of the American College of Healthcare Executives and a member of the Healthcare Financial Management Association.

A reception will be held for Lindauer at a later date for the community to meet the new CEO.

## Courthouse restoration project could begin as early as February

by JUANELL JONES  
Lynn County Commissioners met in regular session Monday morning at the county courthouse, hearing information about the courthouse restoration/renovation project from the architectural firm involved in the venture. In the projected timeline, actual work on the project could begin in February 2017.

Dana Compton and Carl Komatsu, representing Komatsu Architects, presented some updated information on the projected costs of the courthouse renovation project, noting that the total project cost is currently estimated at \$8,381,181.

"We have sent revised construction estimates, as we have a little better idea at this time of what this project will actually cost," Compton said, adding that the Texas Historical Commission has indicated that the plan should include a certain percentage of contingency funds in the budget. "Contingency matters

because there are a lot of unknown circumstances in these types of projects," she explained.

The project will include a 24-month construction period, and county officials expect to have a contractor for the project by January. Actual work on the restoration project could begin as early as February 2017, according to information presented by Ms. Compton.

County officials were to meet Wednesday afternoon with representatives from the Texas Historical Commission (which provided \$4.8 million in grant funds for the project), Komatsu and Specialized Public Finance, Inc. to discuss the financial options for funding the county's portion of the project.

In other business, commissioners approved the purchase of a motor grader for Precinct 4 from Warren Cat, at a cost \$104,472 with trade-in; approved a contract with the Attorney General's Office for the District Clerk's office regarding Child Support; and approved a resolution for the indigent grant program.

## Superior Band! Tahoka 3-D Band earns 1's in marching contest for 15th consecutive year

Last Saturday at the Region 16 UIL Marching Contest at Lubbock Lowery Field, the Tahoka High School 3-D Band earned Superior 1's from every judge, making it their 15th consecutive year of 1's in marching. This accomplishment also sets them on the path for a possible 15th consecutive Sweepstakes by earning 1's in Concert and Sightreading this coming April.

"Mrs. Burse (assistant band director) and I are very proud of these outstanding young people and the way they have stepped up these past two weeks to earn this Superior rating," stated director Carroll Rhodes.

"Honestly speaking, I was more

concerned this year since over 70% of the band is underclassmen and there had been some marching as well as playing issues prior to the last two weeks," explained Rhodes. "We brought in some phenomenal clinicians with whom the bandmen

responded very positively," he added.

The clinicians included Barry Hurt, former director of the 350-member Plainview Band, and music arranger/composer of the 3-D Band's show; Keith Bearden, retired director of the "Goin' Band from Raiderland"; and John Odom, retired Floydada band director.

"These are wonderful kids and their parents are to be commended, as well as the community who turned out in support of their 3-D Band on Saturday night," added the directors after the contest.



Great Band! ... Tahoka High School Band Directors Carroll Rhodes and Cristal Burse proudly show the 3-D Band's trophy for earning Superior 1's at the UIL Marching Contest.



## #1 Band

Members of the Tahoka High School 3-D Band are pictured here with their marching trophy.



Now that's funny!

“ Newspaper Ad: FREE PUPPIES - Half cocker spaniel, half sneaky neighbor's dog. ”

— ANONYMOUS



# Strange BUT TRUE

## MYSTERIOUS HUGE-EYED SKULL BELIEVED TO HAVE BELONGED TO AN ALIEN



A MYSTERIOUS skull with huge eye-sockets and fanged teeth, that has left scientists flummoxed, may have belonged to an alien, it is claimed.

The strange skeleton head, described as 50 per cent bigger than a standard sized version, was found by Danish contractors replacing old sewage pipes workers on Sealand Island (in Denmark).

The workers were digging out the 100-year-old pipes when they found the skull under a building that once belonged to a butcher, it is alleged.

Experts at a Veterinary College in Copenhagen, who examined the find, concluded: "Although resembling a mammal, certain features make it impossible to fit the animal into Linnaean taxonomy."

The scientists could not link it to any known species on Earth.

Subsequent carbon dating of the skull at the University of Copenhagen's Niels Bohr Institute for the sciences, determined it was about 800 years old - which only added to the mystery as it was found within pipes of just a century old.

The skull was found in 2007 but it was not looked at by scientists until 2010.

Further excavation of the area found only animal bones, stone axes, and equipment from the Neolithic period - nothing else that could be linked to the skull.

By JON ALUSTIN  
PUBLISHED: Tue, Jul 20, 2016  
From THE EXPRESS (in UK)

## DOG 'TRIGGER' SHOOT'S WOMAN DURING HUNT

NORTH WEBSTER, Ind. (AP) —

Authorities say a northern Indiana woman is recovering after being shot in the foot by her dog.

And the dog's name? Trigger. Indiana Conservation Officer Jonathan Boyd says 25-year-old Allie Carter of Avilla laid her 12-gauge shotgun on the ground without the safety on during a waterfowl hunt Saturday at Tri-County Fish and Wildlife Area. Boyd says Carter's chocolate Labrador retriever, Trigger, stepped on top of the shotgun and depressed the trigger. He says Carter was shot in the left foot at pointblank range, suffering injuries to her foot and toes. She was treated at two hospitals and released.

Tri-County Fish and Wildlife Area is about 140 miles north of Indianapolis (Lubbock A-1, October 27, 2015 issue)

## Jail? Let me in ...

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif.

Authorities said a man caught climbing a fence at a Southern California jail was trying to get in, not out.

Sheriff's officials said 28-year-old Shane James McDonald wasn't a prisoner at the Central Detention Center in San Bernardino when he was spotted scaling the perimeter fence early Sunday. But he did have a warrant out for his arrest.

McDonald was arrested on suspicion of trespassing and on the warrant. It's not clear on what charge he was wanted.

Officials aren't sure why McDonald wanted to get into the jail, but that's where he ended up. He's being held in lieu of \$5,000 bail.

(Lubbock A-1, Tuesday, August 2, 2016)

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### WILSON COMMUNITY NEWS

by Bonnie S. Schwertner

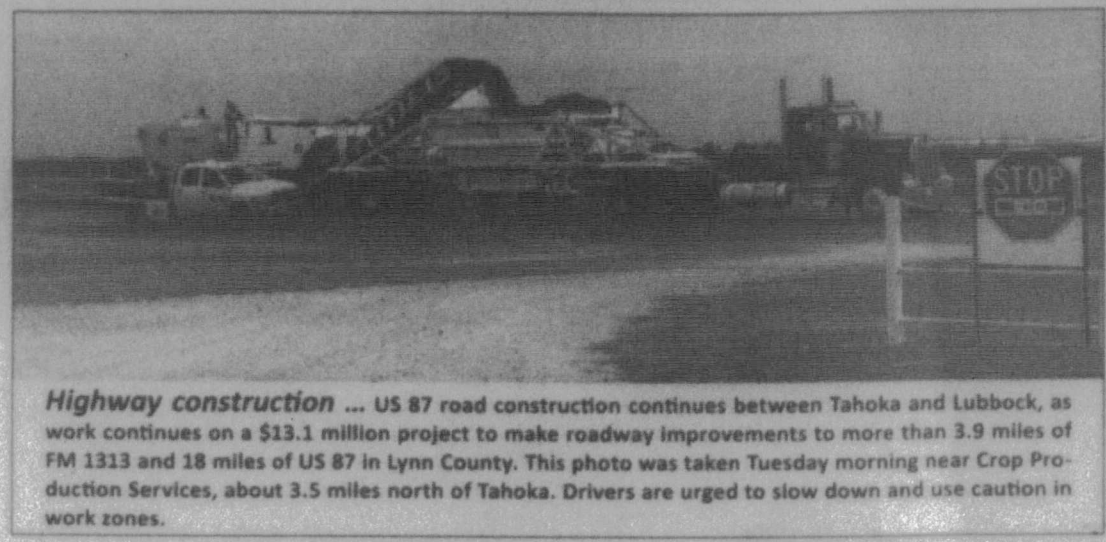
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One early morning, about a week ago, Keith came flying into our bedroom, yelling, "It snowed last night!" I'm just getting re-acclimated to our weather, so it gave me pause. Mr. Jokerster was commenting on the cotton, all bright white in the sunrise's morning glow. This is his first season of cotton. He has watched them prepare, plant, tend, and now pull that crop. It's my first time in over 40 years to see a full season, but my first to live in the field of cotton. It makes me love "home" even more. I'd forgotten how hard people work to chance a good crop; how it draws you to your knees, asking for favorable weather and conditions; how it draws to community together. The absolute coolest thing took place last week. "Principal's 100" elementary award winners traveled with Mr. Soliz to eat a spectacular pizza lunch. Students earned the honor for showing CARE - Courtesy, Accountability, Respect, Excellence! Included were: Aleigha Calsoncit, Justice Earwood, Bailey Solano, David Ysasaga, Principal, Richard Soliz, Joziah Rodriguez, David Pantoja, and Kalee Ayala.



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Highway construction ... US 87 road construction continues between Tahoka and Lubbock, as work continues on a \$13.1 million project to make roadway improvements to more than 3.9 miles of FM 1313 and 18 miles of US 87 in Lynn County. This photo was taken Tuesday morning near Crop Production Services, about 3.5 miles north of Tahoka. Drivers are urged to slow down and use caution in work zones.

Earwood, Bailey Solano, David Ysasaga, Joziah Rodriguez, David Pantoja, Kalee Ayala. Thank you parents, for allowing our school to share your wonderful children.

On October 31, the school will be having their Harvest Fest, followed by "Trunk-or-Treat." What a fantastic time for families and friends!

### Sports

With a close score, Wilson 38 and Southland 44, it appears to be a game of "whoever got the ball last." But going into the stats, these two teams were nothing alike, except number of plays (49) and penalties (10). Both teams played their hearts out.

Mustangs favored the shotgun formation, 2-to-1, but usually balance with under the center. Passes averaged 14.4 yards, with 66% completion rate, for a total of 273 yards. Rushing averaged 7.4 yards per carry, for 148 yards. Bryan Mendez completed 15 passes. Mikey Garcia rushed 47 yards and had 70 receiving. Bailey Steen and Lance Lopez each completed two passes, with Steen rushing for 41, Lopez for 34. Tony Pantoja rushed for 26, received for 53, and had 8 tackles.

Southland's 483 total yards came from 313 rushing, averaging 9.5 per carry, and 170 passing. The Eagles had a power arm, but the receivers were iffy. Strategy changed completely in the fourth, when they relied on their successful rushing game, and threw zero passes.

## Accidents, stolen vehicle, burglary, other incidents reported this week

by JUANEL JONES

Lynn County Sheriff's Dept. this week investigated reports of a stolen Jeep, which has already been recovered, and a vacant home burglarized with several items reported missing, and Tahoka Police responded to reports of a vehicle burglary, a bicycle theft, and two accidents in the city during the past couple of weeks.

Sheriff's Deputies are working with Slaton Police in a case involving a report Sunday of a burglary of a vacant home on FM 400 owned by the estate of Doug Taylor, with a possible lead on the case out of Slaton. Reported missing from the home was a gun safe with an unknown number of guns inside it, a welder, and a scooter.

A 2008 Jeep was reported stolen from the residence of Bobby Clem in New Home at 1 p.m. on Oct. 18. The vehicle was recovered on Oct. 24 in Lubbock, with an arrest pending further investigation.

On Oct. 22, an 18-wheeler struck and damaged a telephone

pole at the Hwy 87 west access road and South 1st Street about 7:10 a.m. According to the call-sheet report from the Sheriff's Dept., the unidentified driver apparently left the scene.

In Tahoka Police reports, Martin Lee Rosas reported on Monday, Oct. 17 that his vehicle had been burglarized at 2:38 a.m. while it was parked at his residence at 2021 Lockwood. According to the report, the victim's wife said she heard the alarm go off on her husband's 2005 Chevrolet Silverado, and when she exited the residence to check the truck she saw an unidentified person dressed in all black near the vehicle, who then fled on foot and ran down the alley behind the residence. The witness stated the only noticeable thing missing in the vehicle was the faceplate to her husband's CD-player/stereo system in the truck.

On Oct. 15, Jerry Don Alvarado of Tahoka reported that his 2003 Ford pickup struck his neighbor's concrete block fence at 2114 N. 8th, the home of Jerry Lee Brown. According to the accident report, Alvarado said he had dropped his cell phone in the truck and was reaching down to find it when he struck the fence. Some damage was reported to the fence.

And on Monday, Oct. 24, another accident occurred at the same location about 4:15 p.m.; Jerry Brown was reportedly backing out of his driveway onto Ave. P in his 2008 Dodge pickup, when he struck a 2006 Chevrolet pickup driven by J.T. Miller as he was traveling northbound on Ave. P. Miller's pickup had damage to the right door, and Brown's pickup had damage on the right rear bumper.

Lynn County Jail held 39 inmates this week, including 26 for Ector County, and 13 for Lynn County. Local charges included one for public intoxication, one on a warrant out of Archer County for theft of property, one for driving while license suspended/invalid, and one for driving with license invalid with previous conviction.

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## Letters to the Editor

TISD Health Fair a success!  
Dear Editor,

On behalf of the students and staff at Tahoka Elementary, I would like to say thank you to Kathy Grant and the Lynn County Hospital District for planning and coordinating our school health fair this last week. Each student received valuable information about staying healthy and they also enjoyed the demonstrations from our presenters.

It is wonderful to live in a community that supports and cares enough about our children to take time out of their day to provide this invaluable service to our school.

Thanks again for a wonderful health fair and we look forward to next year.

Sincerely,  
Carol Miller, RN  
Tahoka ISD School Nurse.

## Please visit these Lynn County Churches

**First Methodist of Tahoka**  
1801 Ave. J, Tahoka - (806) 561-4503  
Billy Everett, Pastor  
SUNDAYS: Sunday School - 9:30 am  
Sunday Worship - 10:30 am (Fellowship Hall)  
"Like" our Facebook page... facebook.com/Tahoka  
Let the Children Come 7 am - 6 pm M-F  
LICENSED CHILD CARE 561-4529

**First Baptist Church**  
1701 Ave. K - Box 1547 - Tahoka, TX 79373  
(806) 561-4557 - www.fbctahoka.org.  
PASTOR: BILL FULLER  
Sunday School - 9:45 am  
Morning Worship Service - 10:45 am  
SNL (Youth) - 6:00 pm Sunday  
Activities For All Ages - Call For Complete Schedule  
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**TAHOKA Church of Christ**  
2320 Lockwood - Box 1177 - Tahoka, TX 79373  
(806) 561-4060 - email: tccoc@poka.com  
PULPIT MINISTER: STEVEN BONNER  
Sunday School - 10:00 am  
Sunday Worship - 11 am  
Fellowship & Devotion - Wednesday 6:30 pm

**Wilson First Baptist Church**  
1403 13th St. - Box 67 - Wilson, TX 79381 - (806) 628-6333  
PASTOR: BILLY FARMER  
Sunday School - 9:45 am  
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

**Wilson St. John Lutheran Church**  
12th & Dickson - Wilson, TX 79381 - (806) 628-6573  
Sharing Christ's message of forgiveness and salvation with our community and beyond.  
TONDA FREITAG, PLM  
Sunday School - 9:30 am - Sunday Worship - 10:45 am

**Wilson St. Paul Lutheran Church**  
16th & Houston St. - Box 136 - Wilson, TX 79381  
(806) 628-6471 - www.stpaulwilson.com  
PASTOR: DAVID W. BOHDE  
Sunday School 9:15 am - Divine Service 9:35 am  
"Where Christ Serves People"

**The Giver**  
Matthew 7:7-29  
Every year, parents in the U.S. spend tens of billions of dollars on Christmas gifts for their kids - buying even young children cell phones, high-def TVs, game stations and more. These statistics reflect more than rampant consumerism. They reflect the desire of parents to give gifts to their kids. Parents have always wanted their children to have good things. Jesus used this universal truth to teach us of the power of prayer. It is a natural instinct to care for our child, to respond when our child asks for help or food or even a present. How much more will our heavenly Father give good gifts to HIS children! Unlike earthly parents, God gives perfect gifts because they are spiritual gifts uniquely suited to each of us. How are we to respond to such generosity? By using those gifts to the utmost. Isn't that what every parent wants their child to do? We offer our children good things, so they'll know they are loved. But we want them to use their gifts often and take care of them. Our heavenly Father longs for us to enjoy the gifts he gives, to wrap our arms around them and use them for his good pleasure. God's gifts are there for the taking... with pleasure. excerpts from - Bible Gateway  
Do you need a church home? Please visit one of the churches listed on this page.

**TAHOKA St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church**  
1829 S. Ave. M - Tahoka, TX 79373 - Office (806) 561-4436  
PASTOR: FATHER JOHN S. RATHINAM, 806-241-0084  
DEACON: PETE PANIAGUA, 443-4077  
Sunday Mass - 11:00 am  
Concession Mass Service Wednesdays & Thursdays, 6:00 pm  
CCE Wednesdays at 6:30 pm  
Reconciliation 10:30 am Sundays or any time by appointment

**Draw First United Methodist Church**  
(established 1907)  
P.O. Box 494 - O'Donoghue, TX 79351  
Phone (806) 428-2357  
PASTOR: REV. WESTON PINDERBRASS  
Sunday Morning Worship - 9:15 am

**Tahoka Trinity Church**  
1925 Lockwood - Box 1168 - Tahoka - (806) 561-5317  
PASTOR: PERRY SHEFFIELD  
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

**Sweet Street Baptist Church**  
1300 AVENUE J - BOX 751 - TAHOKA, TX 79373 - (806) 561-5310  
DAVID EARNST, PASTOR - (806) 438-5105  
Sunday School - 9:45 am  
(A Bible Study Class for all ages)  
Morning Worship - 10:50 am  
(UpTemp Music - Message from God's Word)  
Wednesday Night - 7 pm  
(Prayer & Bible Study, Children & Youth Ministries)  
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

**New Home United Methodist Church**  
CURTIS SCHRADER, Pastor  
(825) 462-2947  
Curtis.Schrader@poka.com  
350 N. Main - New Home, TX 79383  
(806) 924-7549  
Sunday School 9:45 am - Worship 10:45 am

**New Home Church of Christ**  
124 N. Main - Box 188 - New Home, TX 79383 - (806) 924-7579  
MINISTER: VICTOR ALLISON  
Bible Class - 10:30 am  
Sunday Worship Service - 10:45 am  
Wednesday Evening Bible Study - 7:00 pm

**NEW HOME BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Corner of 4th & Smith - Pastor: Larry Maddox  
"Serving the Lord for 100 Years"  
SERVICES:  
Sunday School - 10:00 am  
Sunday Worship - 11:00 am  
Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 pm  
Wed. Youth/Children's Activities - 7:00 pm

**Grassland Nazarene Church**  
2845 Cl St - Tahoka, TX 79373 - (806) 561-5356, 527-8655  
PASTOR: Rev. James McRae  
Sunday School - 9:45 am  
Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45 am  
Sunday Evening Worship - 6 pm



### Food Drive benefits local Food Pantry...

Tahoka ISD students (pictured here) collected a total of 2,670 cans of food for the Tahoka Food Pantry, O'Donnell ISD brought in 1,678 and Wilson ISD followed with a total of 219. FirstBank & Trust of Wilson and Tahoka initiated the food drive within the three school systems.



## Tahoka, Wilson, O'Donnell students give generously in local food drive

During the summer months of this year, the Tahoka Church of Christ's Food Pantry depleted their supply of food provisions for those in need. In an effort to help the Lynn County communities have access to emergency food provisions, FirstBank & Trust of Wilson and Tahoka initiated a food drive within the school systems of Wilson, Tahoka and O'Donnell.

The food drive started on September 22 and went through October 14. All classes at the three schools who chose to participate were encouraged to bring canned goods to be donated to the Food Pantry. There was some friendly competition between classes, which helped encourage students to donate to the food drive.

The food drive was an over-

whelming success with a total of 4,567 cans of food being donated. Tahoka ISD led the way with a total of 2,670 cans, O'Donnell brought in 1,678 and Wilson followed with a total of 219.

FirstBank & Trust Area President Chuck Senter stated, "We knew these communities were generous, however the generosity certainly exceeded our expectations. How fortunate we are to live in such a great community."

Yolanda Aleman, a volunteer with the Food Pantry stated, "To say the least the Tahoka Church of Christ Food Pantry is more than grateful for the donations. This donation from the schools is such a blessing to us. A large donation like this will help get us through the holidays."



## Mondays are 'Sr. Citizens Day' at Tahoka Donuts with all proceeds benefiting their building fund

Throughout the month of November, Mondays will be a great day to buy donuts at Tahoka Donuts, as 100% of the profits will be donated to the Lynn County Pioneers Senior Citizens building fund.

Tahoka Donuts is normally closed on Mondays, but owner Al Garrett is willing to open on Mondays in November in support of the Sr. Citizens Building Fund. He has generously offered to donate all profits from every item sold on Mondays to the building fund, and asks that local and area citizens participate in the fundraiser by purchasing doughnuts and other baked goods.

Garrett says that after the month of November, he would extend the 'Sr. Citizens Day

Mondays' if any individuals, organizations or businesses would consider sponsoring the day. Contact Garrett at Tahoka Donuts, 561-1611.

"I would like to encourage the community to visit or buy on Mondays from our donut

shop during the month of November," said Senior Citizens Director, Bianca Baker.

Tahoka Donuts is located at 1515 South 1st Street. Business hours are 6:00 a.m.-12:00 noon Tuesday-Saturday (and Mondays during November).

### Regional qualifier ...

Mikaylee Gwin, a senior at Tahoka High School, placed 10th at the District Cross Country meet on Oct. 18 in Plains, qualifying for Regionals. She will participate at the Regional Cross Country meet at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock on Saturday, Oct. 29. Mikaylee is the daughter of Terry and Lanae Gwin and the granddaughter of Donnie and Nancy Adams, Mike Quisenberry and Michael and Gail Walker, all of Tahoka.



Leopards win ... New Home senior Peyton McWhirter runs for a touchdown in Friday night's game against Lorenzo, while his teammates, seniors Garrett Jameson and Jackson Abney and sophomore Carter Abney, set up a block. The New Home Leopards won their district opener with a score of 68-20.

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## Strange BUT TRUE

### Lightning strike kills more than 300 wild reindeer in Norway

A lightning strike has killed more than 300 wild reindeer in Norway, in what officials described as an unusually large natural disaster. The Norwegian Environment Agency said 323 animals were killed, including 70 calves.

Agency spokesman Kjartan Knutsen said it is not uncommon for reindeer or other wildlife to be killed by lightning strikes, "but we have not heard about such numbers before."

He said reindeer tend to stay very close to each other in bad weather, which could explain how so many were killed at once during Friday's storm.

Thousands of reindeer migrate across the barren Hardangervidda plateau as the seasons change.

It is the second time this month that a large group of animals has been killed by lightning. On August 25, 38 sheep died after they were hit by lightning in the Indian district of Kanchipuram.

(SkyNews.com, UK, Sept. 13, 2016)

### Oops ... wrong pawn shop!

Burglars try to sell pawn shop owner items stolen from his own home

CLARKSVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Authorities say two people who tried to pawn some stolen PlayStation didn't realize they had burgled the home of the pawn shop owner.

Citing a Clarksville, Tennessee police report, The Leaf-Chronicle says 30-year-old Jeremy A. Watts and 24-year-old Jessica F. Heady tried to sell two PlayStation systems along with controllers, video games and DVDs.

The pawn shop owner, Edward Dial, said he recognized the items and went home to check. Sure enough, his house had been broken into. Watts and Heady were arrested Tuesday and charged with aggravated burglary. Both were held on \$50,000 bond. It is unclear whether either has an attorney.

Police say the stolen property was valued at more than \$1,000. (Lubbock A-J / August 5, 2016)

### NOTICE OF ELECTION

In accordance with the provisions of the Texas Agriculture Code, Chapter 74, Subchapter D, and 4 Tex. Admin. Code, Chapter 3, Subchapter A, the Texas Department of Agriculture (the Department) will conduct a board election in the Southern High Plains Caprock Boll Weevil Eradication Zone, in order to select a representative of the above-referenced zone to serve on the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Board of Directors. The board is charged with administering the boll weevil eradication program in Texas.

The Southern High Plains/Caprock Eradication Zone consists of all of Cochran, Hockley, and Lubbock counties; that part of Terry County that is north of a line 1.25 miles south of the Hockley County line from FM 303 east to Highway 385 and all land north and east of a line with boundaries of County Road 230, County Road 525 also known as Cemetery Road, and County Road 280 to the Lynn County line; that part of Lynn County north and east of a line 5 miles north of Hwy 380 following County Road 18 that extends from the Terry County line east for 10 miles, then turns south to Hwy 380, and runs east to the intersection of FM 212 before turning south to the Borden County line; that part of Crosby County that is above the Caprock Escarpment, that part of Garza County that is above the Caprock Escarpment; and that part of Dickens County that is above the Caprock Escarpment

Any cotton grower having planted cotton in the year 2016 within the zone defined above is eligible to vote, and, if he or she resides in the Southern High Plains Caprock Zone and has at least seven years experience as a cotton grower, can have his or her name placed on the ballot as a candidate in the board member election. A cotton grower is defined as a person who grows cotton intended to be commercial cotton. The term includes an individual who, as owner, landlord, tenant or sharecropper, is entitled to share in the cotton grown and available for marketing from the farm, or share in the proceeds from the sale of the cotton from the farm or from an indemnity or other payment received from or related to the planting, growing, or failure of the cotton. Any person eligible to vote in the board member election that resides in the Southern High Plains Caprock Zone and meets the seven-year experience requirement may place their name in nomination for election to the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Board by written application to the Department at the address provided below. Nomination forms are provided by the Department and must be signed by the nominee and at least ten other eligible voters. The nomination form must be received by the Department at its office located in Austin by November 6, 2016, and must provide the legal residence of the applicant. A nomination form may be obtained by contacting the Department office or any county agent located in the voting area.

The board election will be held by mail balloting. Ballots will be mailed to cotton growers by November 18, 2016. All ballots cast by mail must be postmarked no later than December 6, 2016, in order to be valid.

For more information regarding the referendum and election, or if you are a cotton grower in the above-referenced area and do not receive a ballot, please contact Stuart Strnad with the Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas, 78711, call (512) 463-3285 or by e-mail at [Stuart.Strnad@TexasAgriculture.gov](mailto:Stuart.Strnad@TexasAgriculture.gov).

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## Police chase flying saucer in low-speed pursuit

Onlookers in an Irish town found themselves rubbing their eyes on Saturday after witnessing a police car chasing down a flying saucer through the streets. After a low-speed pursuit, witnesses saw police pull the craft over, to discover a very worldly explanation.

The flying saucer was, in fact, the work of local artist Ali Kemal Ali, who created the unique piece for a youth and arts festival. Ali revealed he had roped in police for the stunt to drum up interest in the space-themed show. He said police saw the funny side of his request, and a video of them giving chase has since been viewed almost a million times. (<http://news.sky.com/story/low-speed-pursuit-as-police-chase-flying-saucer-10522306>)

"They loved it. They were brilliant. How often do you go into a police station and ask for something like this - it's always doom and gloom. They saw the funny side of it," he said.

The vehicle runs on two electric scooters and is equipped with a strobe light, smoke machine and laser. The 53-year-old said of his creation: "When you come up beside it, it feels like it's alive."

(SkyNews.com, Sept. 23, 2016)

## Giant lizard roaming the streets of Liverpool

A giant lizard has been roaming a city's streets for three days after escaping from a family's home.

Loki the lizard is an Argentine giant tegu, the largest species of its kind, and is around three-feet long. Astonishingly, Loki has not been spotted since he went missing from his home in the Wavertree area of Liverpool on Sunday.

Mum Zoe Bown, 37, made a desperate plea for help on Facebook after her boyfriend's rogue reptile made its bid for freedom and escaped through the back door, reports the Liverpool Echo.

Alan Humphries, a Woolton vet who specialises in reptiles, told the Liverpool Echo: "They're not good climbers so he'll probably be on the floor somewhere."

(The Mirror, UK, Sept. 27, 2016)

## Japanese karate expert, 63, fights off bear

A 63-year-old karate expert was the unlikely victor of a fight with an angry bear, police in Japan have said.

Atsushi Aoki was fishing in the mountains of the Gunma Prefecture region when the animal emerged from woodland. The snarling black bear - reportedly standing at 6 ft 3 inches on its hind legs - set upon him in an unprovoked attack, he told Japanese broadcaster TBS.

However, Mr Aoki said he was more than a match for his assailant, fighting the animal off with his bare hands. Despite being knocked to the floor, he managed to pick himself up and face up to his opponent. Rather than fleeing, he used his own deadly fighting skills to take the upper hand, punching the bear between the eyes. The animal then retreated.

"The bear had such, such great strength. I was knocked over when it leapt at me. It scratched me and bit me. But in the end I managed to trick the bear, poked it in the eyes and it ran away." After the attack, Mr Aoki apparently made his own way to a nearby hospital, where he received treatment for minor injuries. Gunma police officials have warned anyone who comes across a bear in the wild not to copy Mr Aoki martial arts exploits. (SkyNews.com, Sept. 23, 2016)

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## Lynn County 4-H Food Challenge dominate at District competition

Two food challenge teams, representing Lynn County, competed at the District 2 4-H Food Challenge contest held on October 24 at the Mallet Event Center in Levelland.

The team consisting of Lainee Cook, Kaylee Walker, Reagan Stokes and Haley Kessler placed first in junior breads and cereals. The intermediate team consisting of Connor Cook, Ryan Olivian, Nataly Taylor, Axie Allen and Miranda DeLeon placed first in intermediate breads and cereals.

The food challenge is a contest that allows 4-H members to demonstrate their culinary knowledge and skills. From a set of predetermined ingredients provided, teams of 3-5 members must develop a recipe and prepare a dish within 40 minutes. Teams then make a presentation to a judging panel, explaining the preparation steps, serving size, food safety concerns, nutritional value and cost of their dish.

For more information on the Lynn County 4-H program, call the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service- Lynn County office at 806-561-4562.



**Intermediate team...** This 4-H intermediate team competed at the District 2, 4-H Food Challenge contest held October 24 in Levelland. The intermediate team consisting of Connor Cook, Ryan Olivian, Nataly Taylor, Axie Allen and Miranda DeLeon placed first in intermediate breads and cereals.

**4-H Food Challenge...** This 4-H team consisting of Kaylee Walker, Reagan Stokes, Haley Kessler and Lainee Cook placed first in the junior breads and cereal division at the District 2 4-H Food Challenge contest held on October 24 at the Mallet Event Center in Levelland.

## Early Voting continues

Early Voting for the Nov. 8 General Election began Monday, Oct. 24 and continues through Nov. 4 at the Lynn County Courthouse. As of Monday afternoon, 70 voters had marked ballots in early voting.

Early voting is conducted during regular business hours (8 a.m.-12 noon, 1-5 p.m.) in the election room on the first floor of the courthouse. Bring voter registration cards and a photo ID.

## Need a helping hand? Tahoka ISD to offer 'Day of Service' on Nov. 22

Tahoka ISD, in an effort to promote the idea of civic involvement through service projects, will facilitate a day of service to the city of Tahoka as a means of

giving back to the community. Titled as "Tahoka's Big WIN!" in order to correspond with the district's visioning document WIN. 2025 that outlines the 4 core values of the district which include 1) community 2) civic involvement 3) character, and 4) continuous improvement, TISD wants to utilize November 22nd, as a day of giving of being completely centered around serving the community. The event will also correspond to a half-day for the district, and will last approximately from 8:00 a.m.-noon.

"This will be a day dedicated to making one of our core values truly come to life as the entire district puts books to the side for one day and focuses on helping improve the community of Tahoka," stated Dr. George McFarland, TISD superintendent.

"As a district, we truly believe that the holistic development of the child is much more inclusive than just demonstrated academic achievement, but that it also involves the forming of the student's character by being selfless when it comes to giving to others. We want to put our written words into action by not just saying we value civic involvement of our

students in the community as a district, but actually doing it" he added.


Because the day will be a shortened school day, the district will be focused on cleanup efforts and actions of goodwill rather than actual renovation-type projects. The district has a form located on the district's website ([tahokaisd.us](http://tahokaisd.us)) that local businesses can fill out requesting help from the district for this day.

"Because of limitations due to transportation and resources, not all requests will be able to be honored. However, the district will contact businesses that put in a request for help of which we are able to be of assistance," said the superintendent.

## Lynn County Area Gins BALE COUNT

(reported 10-18-16)

Texas Star Gin, Wavertree	3,287
Farmers Coop, O'Donnell	6,284
Wells Coop Gin	6,040
Woolam Gin, O'Donnell	5,642
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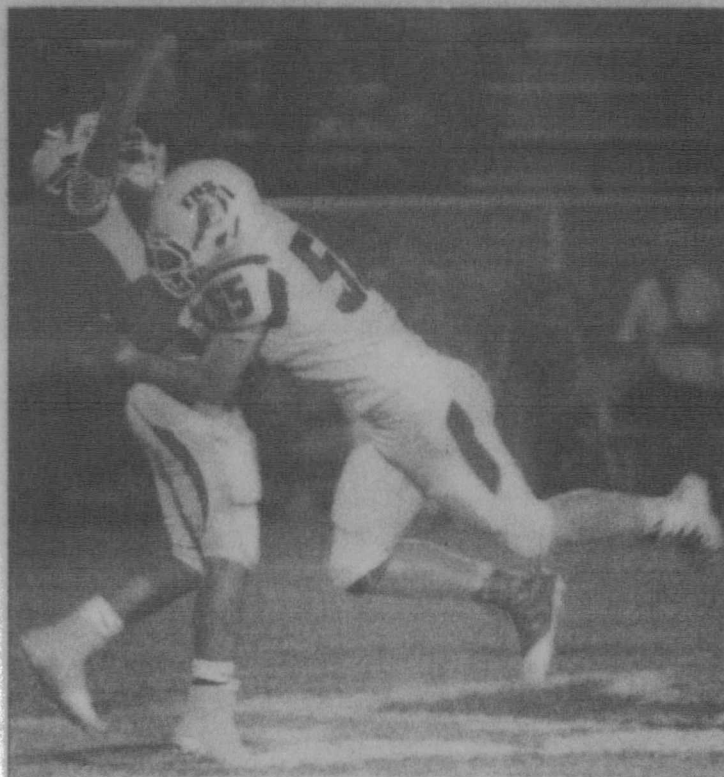
## The Birds ...

BECKLEY, W.Va. — Almost like a scene from the movie "The Birds," a West Virginia school is dealing with some fowl problems. So many geese are converging around Woodrow Wilson High School in Beckley that Principal Ron Cantley says after-school activities have been diverted. Even walking outside without tracking bird poop in the building is a challenge. Cantley said he is working with the Division of Natural Resources to try to get rid of 100-plus birds roaming the grounds. (From *Linn AJ* Sept. 3, 2016)

## ... and the Bees

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Drivers along an interstate north of Kansas City were told to be on the lookout for an unusual traffic hazard after a semitrailer truck loaded with honeybees overturned. The Missouri Department of Transportation said the accident occurred Friday on Interstate 435. No serious injuries were reported. The Transportation Department initially said the truck was carrying about 40,000 bees. But bee experts said between 8 million and 11 million bees were in the truck. Some of the bees flew away from the accident scene. (From *Linn AJ* Sept. 3, 2016)

**ODD TRIVIA FACTS:** An ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain. A pregnant goldfish is called a twit. A flamingo can eat only when its head is upside down. Ants stretch when they wake up in the morning.



Big hit ... Tahoka's Tristen Tipton (55) stops a Hamlin player in Friday night action at Hamlin. Hamlin won 50-6. (LCN PHOTO by Abraham Vega)

**ODD TRIVIA FACTS:** When the University of Nebraska Cornhuskers play football at home, the stadium becomes the state's third largest city. Dueling is legal in Paraguay as long as both parties are registered blood donors.

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**Princess Tea Party**  
There are still a few spaces left so get your princess registered for the First Princess Tea Party. Girls ages 3-7 yrs. You may sign up at the Library or with Felicia at First Bank and Trust. The Tea will be held at the Library November 17th from 5-6:30pm.

**New changes in overdrive**  
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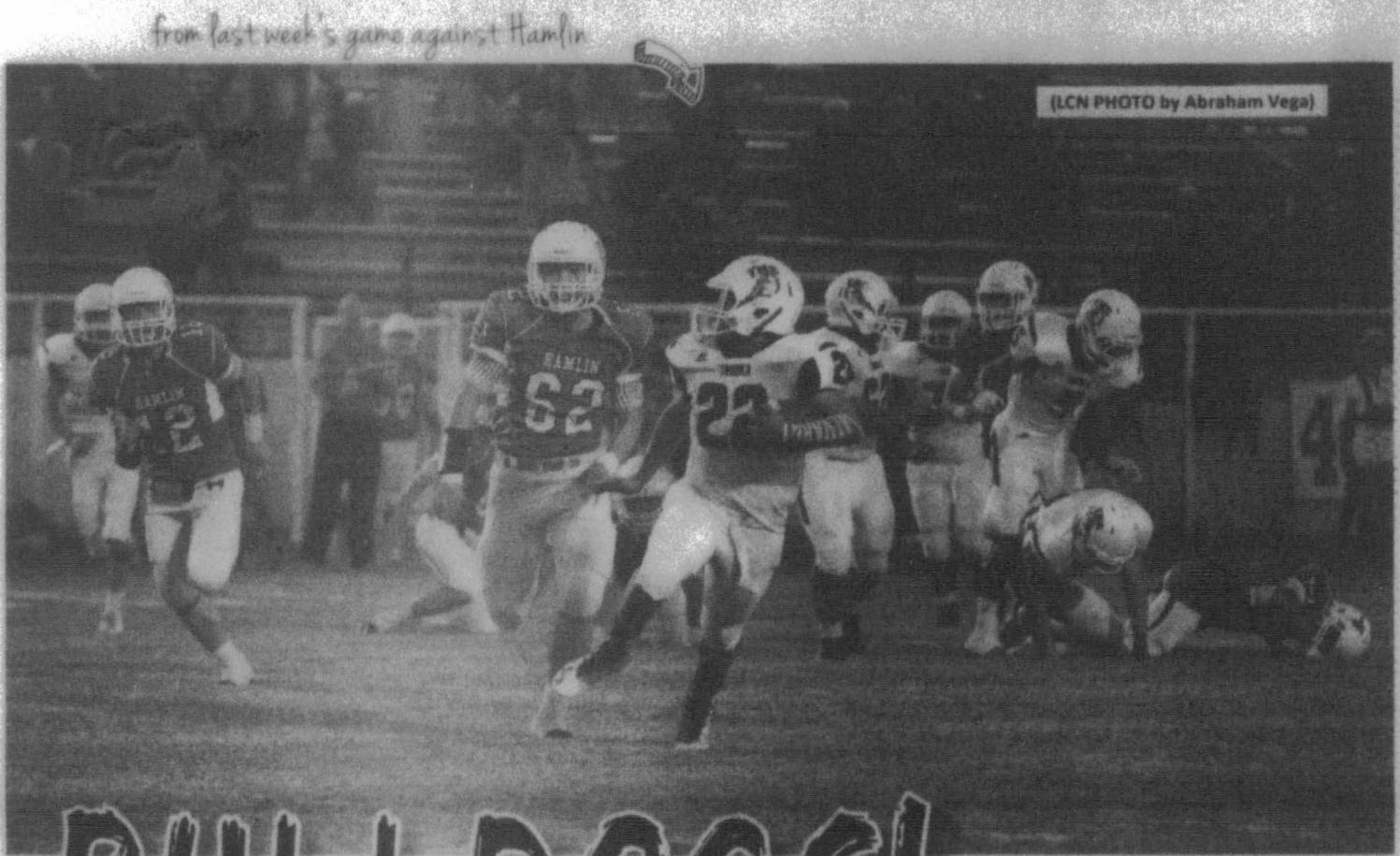
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**Wednesday:** Ham & beans, spinach, corn, apple crisp  
**Thursday:** Liver & onions, scalloped potatoes, carrots, coleslaw, white cake w/ fruit topping  
**Friday:** BBQ Beef sandwich, trimmings, tater tots, carrots & zucchini, ambrosia  
**Mark your calendars...**  
\* This Saturday, come out to the Progressive 42 Party: 6 p.m. at the Tahoka Housing Authority. Cost is \$10 per person.

# Tahoka Bulldogs ..... VS ..... Roscoe Plowboys Friday, October 21 HERE at 7:00 p.m.



## WE'RE BACKING THE



# BULLDOGS!

- Mesa Pivot Irrigation
- Lynn County Abstract & Title Co.
- Walker & Solomon Insurance Agency
- Lynn County Farm Bureau
- W. Calloway Huffaker, Atty.
- Lynn County Hospital District
- Witt Butane
- Lyntegar Electric Cooperative
- Poka Lambro Telephone Cooperative
- Sam Ashcraft Insurance

- Garlyn Coop Gin
- Sinclair Heating, Cooling & Plumbing
- Tahoka Drug
- Thriftway of Tahoka
- Wildcat Manufacturing
- Quick Stripe Paving
- Dr. Patrick Edwards
- AgTexas Farm Credit Services
- Crop Production Services
- Calvillo Enterprises

- Tahoka Donuts
- FirstBank & Trust
- Capital Farm Credit
- Fenton Insurance Agency
- Designs & Daisies
- Farmers Co-Op Assn. #1
- First National Bank of Tahoka
- Hudgens Pump
- Dr. Donald Freitag
- Lynn County News
- Aurora Cooperative
- Starkey Lawn & Landscaping

IT'S SENIOR NIGHT!  
COME OUT AND HELP US  
CHEER FOR OUR  
BULLDOGS!

## 2016 cheerleaders

From left: Kaylyn Green, Marisol Vega, Raygin Taylor, Aly Dotson, Kylynn McCleskey, Layney Vega, Priscilla Castillo, and Averi Starkey.



## BLAST from the PAST

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## 1962 Tahoka Bulldogs



**1962 Bulldogs:** Bottom row (dark jerseys), left to right: Dean Hamilton, Ronnie Reed, Craig Leslie, Andy Bray, Harlan Curry, Johnny Rogers, Macky Jo McWhirter, Cal Womack, Jim Crawford, Hugh Jack Norwood, Jim Wells, Kenneth Hart, manager (manager Robert Adams not pictured). Second row (dark jerseys): Coach Gilbert Hough, Frankie Stanley, Gary Grogan, Jack Edwards, Steve Greer, Eddie Howard, Randy Workman, Jimmy Billman, Clarence Long, Johnny Hillhouse, Stanley Price, Jesse Limon, Mike Curry, and Freddie Pierce, manager. Third row (white jerseys): Terry Harvick, Stanley Renfro, Mike Reed, Ronnie Efrd, Birger Ollrogge, Larry Price, Robert Medlin, Rett Patterson, Billy Miller, Roy Isham, Gary Tomlinson, Benny Limon. Top row (white jerseys) Brit Robinson, Coach Milt Fitts (background), Mike Davis, Jose Cervantes, Tony Spruiell, Dennis Clem, Jack Flippin, Jack Woods, Larry Jolly, Billy Clinton, Dickie Davis, Frankie Farrera, Coach Dave Easterday