

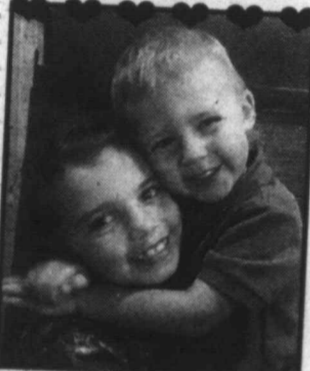
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Did you know ...

A most convenient commute

Imagine the convenience of a half-hour commute to and from work each day—even though your place of employment is nearly 400 miles away. It may not be such a far-fetched notion, if the folks at Hyperloop Technologies Inc. are right, says the Association of Mature American Citizens.

HTI will be testing its tube-based intercity transport system at a test track it is building near Las Vegas. The company is already working with government officials in Abu Dhabi and the Czech Republic with the goal of making its vision a reality.

According to the HTI Web site its Hyperloop transportation system uses a capsule that "hovers inside a tube with low air pressure, and like a jet plane at high altitude, experiences little air resistance. The remaining air in front of the capsule is moved to the back using a compressor, allowing for speeds up to 760 mph, with very low energy consumption."

What's Outside

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Jan 17	60	34	
Jan 18	52	33	0.32"
Jan 19	57	38	
Jan 20	65	39	
Jan 21	64	41	
Jan 22	60	41	
Jan 23	61	35	

(Precipitation/temps measured as of 8 a.m. on date reported, for the previous 24-hr period)

Total Precip for Jan: 2.51"

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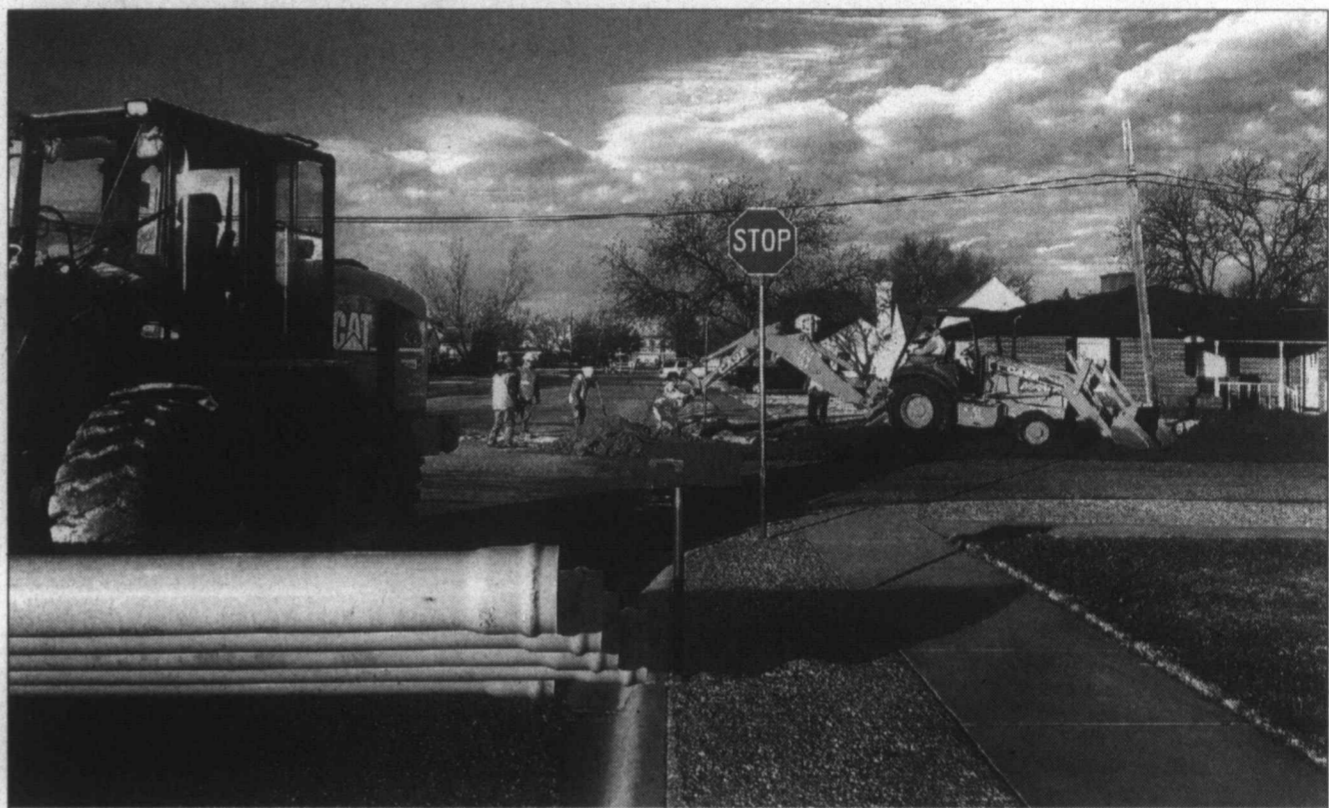
Muleshoe man gets 7-year sentence; local man asks to be arrested here

by JUANELL JONES

A Muleshoe man was sentenced to seven years in TDCJ in court proceedings in the 106th District courtroom at the Lynn County Courthouse last Tuesday, a local man walked in to the Tahoka Police Dept. and asked to be arrested on Wednesday, and another Tahoka man was arrested this week on felony indictment charges for theft of a vehicle.

In District court, Ismael Ramirez Reyes, 41, faced charges on two counts, one for unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon, and one for evading arrest, from a case stemming from Dec. 10, 2015 here. He was assessed the prison sentence on the first charge of unlawful possession, with no fine or restitution, and the second charge was dismissed.

Grand Jury was also held in the 106th District courtroom last Tuesday, with Tahoka Police reporting one arrest this week of a Tahoka man indicted in felony charges of vehicle burglary. Nathan Lyn Applegate, 25, of Tahoka was arrested here Monday on a felony warrant for Grand Jury Indictment for Theft out of Lynn County, as well as a Grand Jury Indictment for Felony Theft of Property out of Lamb County. Police actually arrested Applegate in the course of another investigation, after a report of another



Work continues ... Work continues on the replacement of Tahoka city waterlines, with new lines being placed down Ave. M near N. 3rd in this recent photo. New automated meters will also be placed throughout the city as part of this project, which can be read automatically from city offices.

attempted vehicle theft at -1529 Ave. O, called in at 7:30 p.m. on Monday. The owner, Jay Forsythe, told police that he had received a call from a witness in the area stating someone was "messing with his vehicle" parked at his rent house. Police observed the dash to the vehicle was broken and wires hanging out of the steering column, and the owner reported that the witness identified the suspect as he walked from the vehicle to a location

on South 1st. According to the police report, Tahoka PD is also currently working with Lubbock PD as well on another vehicle theft case involving this same suspect.

A 35-year-old Tahoka man walked in to the Tahoka Police Chief's office last Wednesday morning at 11 a.m., and asked the Chief to arrest him for public intoxication. He stated that he had consumed "about 35 beers and that the last beer he had was just mo-

ments ago." He was placed under arrest for public intoxication "due to the fact that he was heavily intoxicated in a public place and in danger to himself or others," according to the report.

Three reports of theft of propane tanks in the Wilson community were called in to Sheriff's Officers on Sunday and Monday, Jan. 22-23. The first caller, just after noon on Sunday, reported that a partially full propane

(See POLICE REPORT, page 3)

Commissioners approve \$1,750,000 in COs for courthouse restoration project

by JUANELL JONES

Lynn County Commissioners met Monday morning in regular session at the County Courthouse, hearing information from District Attorney Philip Mack Furlow, and the county extension agents, as well as taking action to authorize the issuance of Certificates of Obligation (COs) for funding the courthouse renovation project.

Vince Vialle, Specialized Public Finance, told commissioners that the county's credit rating was much higher than anticipated, resulting in the availability of better interest rates, which is good for the renovation project. It was anticipated that the county would need \$1,900,000 in COs, but Vialle said the county would only need \$1,750,000, and the best of three bids for the project came in at 2.78% interest. Commissioners unanimously authorized the issuance of \$1,750,000 in "Lynn County, Texas Certificates of Obligation, Series 2017."

The District Attorney addressed the court to update them with changes in his office, and invited county officials to come by or contact him

if needed. As the new DA, Furlow reported that his office is in transition but working hard to organize and has made some staff changes as well.

"We now have two full-time attorneys, instead of three, and a part-time person as well," Furlow said, telling commissioners about the new staff he had hired. He explained that his new investigator is a retired DPS officer that he anticipates will work well with other law enforcement agencies in the district. He also explained about computer upgrades in his office that will enable access to sharing files within the district.

In other business, Lynn County 4-H members Haley Kessler, Denton Moore and Bryson Stone attended the

meeting with county extension agents Wendy Scott and Wade Howard, presenting information about how they were involved in the 4-H program. Scott and Howard also addressed the court, presenting information about several extension programs offered in the county.

Commissioners approved a subdivision plat for Gaylon, and Vicki Zant in the New Home area, as presented. An interlocal agreement was approved between the county, SPAG and the cities of Tahoka, O'Donnell, New Home and Wilson to create a county-wide hazard mitigation plan. The FEMA-approved plan would make the county and its participants eligible to apply for FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance grants.

Commissioners approved a membership list of the Lynn County Historical Commission, to include Manuel Deleon, Harold Hohn, Clyde May, Dana McKay, April Moore, Wendell Morrow, James Sanders,

Walter Steen, Barbara White, Sandra Laws and Terri Aten.

An annual contract with the O'Donnell Volunteer Fire Dept., for \$2,500, was also approved.

Lynn County Sheriff Abraham Vega reported on the Sheriff's Office, noting that he had hired deputies to fill two positions, and reporting that the county has a new Animal Control Director. He presented information about providing new cell phones for his officers, which would present a cost-savings from the current reimbursement per person process as well as provide a security measure for business use only, and he explained about the need for a new phone system at the office as well.

Lynn County Judge Mike Braddock presided at the meeting that lasted just over two hours, with commissioners Matt Woodley, John Hawthorne, Don Blair and Larry Durham present, as well as other county officials and guests.



4-H youth visit county meeting ...

Wendy Scott (front left) and Wade Howard (right) brought 4-H youth Haley Kessler, Bryson Stone and Denton Moore (pictured around Lynn County Judge Mike Braddock (seated) to the County Commissioners meeting on Monday morning. Commissioners are, standing from left, Matt Woodley, John Hawthorne, Don Blair and Larry Durham. The youth presented information about 4-H to county officials.



Did you know?

Did you know it takes a plastic container over 50,000 years to start decomposing? Recycle, people of Earth!

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Senior Citizens LUNCH MENU

Jan. 30 - Feb. 3

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

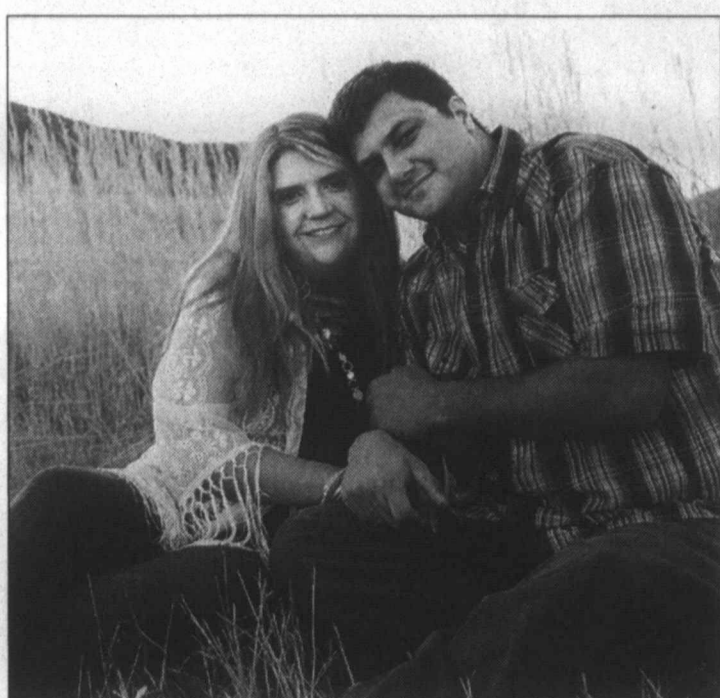
Tuesday: Meat loaf, scalloped potatoes, green beans, salad, banana

Wednesday: Chicken tenders, garlic mashed potatoes, turnip greens, mandarin oranges

Thursday: Baked chicken breast, baked potato, peas, pineapple tidbits/chocolate pudding

Friday: Sloppy Joe on bun, potato salad, carrots & zucchini, creamy fruit square

• Donations to benefit the Center are needed for ongoing expenses! All donations are tax deductible; we are a 501(c)3 organization.



JAMEY FERGUSON and ROBERT SHEESLEY

Couple announce engagement

Jim and Becky Ferguson of Conifer, Colorado are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Jamey Erin Ferguson to Robert Edward Sheesley, son of Scott and Kristi Sheesley of Longmont, Colorado. Jamey is the granddaughter of the late Jake and Pat Jacobs, formerly of Tahoka, and the great-granddaughter of the late Frank and Mae Hill of Tahoka.

Jamey is a Technical Writer for Hunter Douglas in Broomfield, Colorado. Robert is employed by HD Supply White Cap in Denver, Colorado. The couple will wed April 8, 2017 in Littleton, Colorado.

NEWS from the Library

CITY-COUNTY LIBRARY
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Super Bowl Raffle Tickets

Support all the Library Programs with our fundraiser and get a chance to win a Samsung 4K Smart TV. Tickets are available at the Library and City Hall during business hours and at Thriftway from 4-6 pm the next two Fridays. Tickets are only \$5.00. Drawing will be held on Feb. 2nd and the winner will be contacted.

New Books

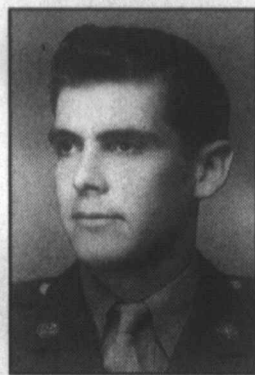
The Library just added two new chapter book series to our Children's area. There are 8

Ninja Meerkats books and 6 Battle Bugs books. Most of the books are on the 4th and 5th grade reading level. Come check them out!

Children's Area

Cold or wet outside and tired of staying at home with your toddler? Bring them to enjoy the maze bead puzzles or bean bags at the Library. Curl up in our comfy chair and read a storybook to your child in a different atmosphere where they can play too.

Obituaries



O.R. "Pug" Parker

O. R. "Pug" Parker of Tahoka, 93, went to be with his Savior on Thursday, January 19, 2017. Pug was born March 14, 1923 in Milano, TX to Bonnard Lee and Katie (Brooks) Parker. He served in WWII in the Army Air Force. Pug married Billie Pennington on November 28, 1946.

He worked for Lyntegar Electric Cooperative until his retirement. Pug was a gentle, kind hearted, Christian man who adored his family and loved to be at the family farm.

Pug was preceded in death by his parents, four brothers, and two sisters.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife of 70 years, Billie; two daughters, Nancy Carkeet (George) of Lubbock and Penny Redman of Tahoka; sister-in-laws, Marci Parker and Nan (Duane) Howell; four granddaughters, Lori Franco (Jerry) of Lubbock, Amy LeGate (Jason) of McKinney, Briana Norwood (Shea) of Burleson and Abbey Redman of Tahoka; five great-grandchildren, Jacob Franco, Kaeden Norwood, Lauren Franco, Zoey Redman and Jackson LeGate.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Monday, January 23, 2017 at First Baptist Church with interment to follow at the Tahoka Cemetery with George Carkeet officiating.

In lieu of flowers the family suggest memorials be made to Lynn County Pioneers Senior Citizen Center, PO Box 223, Tahoka, TX 79373 or First Baptist Church, PO Box 1547, Tahoka, TX 79373.

Please celebrate the life of Pug by visiting www.combestfamilyfuneralhomes.com. (PAID)

A look back at ...
Woodwork

(Reprinted from the past)

by Dalton Wood



BEWARE OF any condition which ends in "itis" and people or things from any place which ends in "stan."

Examples of itis things to avoid: meningitis, poliomyelitis, laryngitis, osteomyelitis (Mickey Mantle and I both had this), phlebitis (my dog has this, on account of fleas), arthritis, and many other problems, including bronchitis (a fear of horses?).

Also, if possible, stay away from any activities or procedures which end in "omy", like tonsillectomy, hysterectomy, lobotomy, vasectomy (and Oklahomy?). Avoid any dealings with people who come from Afghanistan (Osama), Pakistan (some terrorist sympathizers), Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Understan, Takastan, Umbrellastan, Hamburgerstan.

Okay, so I made up those last four. But the four following Pakistan are for real, according to a friend who has a late-model atlas. She said they all are countries in the Afghanistan area, and most are former Russian provinces. I can't really say that we should be wary of people from those four countries. I never heard of the countries, and I'm not sure any people live there.

When I was trying to locate the names of countries ending in "stan," I looked around for a world map which used to be on my office wall. Somebody threw it away, probably years ago, and now I am upset because I can't find it.

However, as old as that map was, it probably didn't have any of the "stans" listed, except maybe Pakistan. It was so old it was a flat map of the world, and if you went too far in any direction, I presume you would just fall off into space and never be heard from again, like Jimmy Hoffa, Amelia Earhart and Jimmy the Greek.

That map was so old that in some of the corners there was unexplored territory, with the legend "Here be monsters."

EACH YEAR the Mayo Clinic sends me a teaser package wanting me to subscribe to their monthly newsletter, and offering many interesting questions and comments on health. They give no answers, because they want you to fork over \$24 or so to find out. The questions are things like: "Coffee—what's the scoop on its health effects?" and "Is an electric toothbrush better than a conventional one?" and "Are herbal medicines safe?"

Mayo Clinic poses a bunch of other intriguing questions, but I guess I won't find out the answers. Their letter came from Rochester, Minn. And I could give them a good health tip: Get out of there and move all your business to your Arizona or Florida locations. Minnesota is a health hazard because you can freeze some of your body parts and die of frostbite or pneumonia.

Of course you can't expect an organization named after salad dressing to know a lot of other stuff.

~January 15, 2002

LCU to sponsor THS basketball games Tuesday

Next Tuesday, January 31, Lubbock Christian University will be sponsoring the Tahoka High School girls' and boys' varsity basketball games against Sundown. They will have their LCU truck and trailer set up in the parking lot. Foam fingers with Tahoka HS on one side and LCU on the other will be given away as long as they last at the trailer.

Free drink tickets will be handed out to game attendees by LCU admissions staff inside the lobby of the gym at the LCU table. Just take to the concession stand for a free drink. LCU will pay the group who has the concession stand for the tickets after the game.

Join Girl Scouts meeting set

Girls and their favorite Teddy Bears are invited to a picnic, sponsored by the Girl Scouts. An informative meeting will be held at the Tahoka Elementary Cafeteria on Thursday, Jan. 26 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. for girls interested in joining Girl Scouts.

For more information, call 806-473-9413. To learn more about girl scouting visit www.gs-top.org.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Pearls melt in vinegar.
- No word in the English language rhymes with month, orange, silver, and purple.

From City Hall
by Jerry Webster
Tahoka City Administrator

DRIVEWAY REPAIRS: The contractor has informed us that driveway repairs will begin on North 5th Street this week. They will be setting forms and pouring concrete. Please be aware that it will take three (3) days for the concrete to set up, so your vehicles will have to be parked in the street until the concrete sets up.

If you have any questions please contact Tahoka City Hall at 806-561-4211.



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Tahoka MS/HS musicians to perform in All-Region concerts this Saturday

Several Tahoka 3-D Middle School and High School students will be participating in the Region 16 All-Region Weekend at the Lubbock Civic Center this weekend. They will rehearse all day Friday and Saturday morning with the concerts starting at 1:00 p.m.

Making the 1A-2A Middle School Concert Band is Eula Tomamao, with Molly Broun, Maribel Garcia, Spring Garcia, and Nathaniel Sullivan making the 4A Middle School Honor Band.

Qualifying for the 3A/2A/1A High School Concert Band last Thursday was Priscilla Castillo, Dalton Chapman, Brandon Farrell, Callie Nevill, Emit Quintero, and Layney Vega, with Alicia Broun, Kendra DeLeon, Kyle Jones, and Ma-

son Walker qualifying for the 3A-2A-1A Symphonic Band. Tristan Glover was trombone alternate to the concert band.

Concluding the evening of music will be the ATSSB 4A High School Honor Band in which Jordan Fowler, Michaila Lopez, and Mercedes Perez will be participating.

The concerts will take place this Saturday, January 28, at the Lubbock Civic Center Auditorium at the following times: 1:00 p.m.-1A/2A MS Concert Band; 1:30 p.m.-1A/2A MS Symphonic Band; 2:00 p.m.-3A MS Band; 2:30 P.M.3-4A MS Honor Band; 3:00 p.m. 1A/2A/3A HS Concert Band; 3:45 p.m.-1A/2A/3A HS Symphonic Band; and 4:30 p.m. HS 4A Honor Band.

At the 4A High School Honor Band Concert all those All-State bandsmen from Region 16 will be recognized including Tahoka's own Jordan Fowler. There is a \$2 donation for admission, which allows one to attend all the concerts. The donation goes toward the rental of the facilities.

Directors Carroll Rhodes and Crista Burse stated, "We are extremely proud of these outstanding young people and the accomplishments they have obtained and all the hard work and practice that went into it. It is our hope that many will turn out in support of them."

Police Report...

(Continued from page 1)

A tank had been taken from their camper parked at 1206 Wellhausen Ave. in Wilson, but the tank was later found discarded elsewhere on the property. At 11:30 a.m. Monday, a propane tank was reported stolen from a travel trailer at 1810 Green Ave., and at 2:30 p.m. the same day, two new propane tanks were reported stolen from a travel trailer at 1610 14th Street in Wilson. The investigation continues in these cases.

Elfredo Martinez reported at 4 p.m. last Tuesday, Jan. 17 that someone had broken into his residence at 511 FM 213 and had taken televisions and DVD players. This case is still under investigation.

Officers also received two calls, last Wednesday and Thursday, reporting assault on a family member in a domestic disturbance from a rural location, but no arrests were made. A Wilson resident called at 9:49 a.m. on Thursday to report harassing phone calls, and another Wilson resident reported threats from their daughter's ex-husband in a call to officers at 3:25 p.m. that same day.

A total of 37 inmates were held in Lynn County Jail during the past week, including 30 for Ector County.

New Home School Menu

Jan. 30-Feb. 3
Breakfast

Monday: Pancake wrap/Cereal
Tuesday: Breakfast pizza/Cereal
Wednesday: Biscuit, eggs/Breakfast parfait
Thursday: Sausage Kolache/PBJ Sandwich
Friday: Breakfast Burrito/Breakfast Round

Lunch

Monday: Steak fingers/Breaded Pork Chop
Tuesday: Spaghetti bowl/French Bread Pizza
Wednesday: Mexican Combo/Chicken Quesadilla
Thursday: Teriyaki beef sliders/Texas Chili
Friday: Popcorn Chicken/Sloppy Joe
Tuna Salad available daily



All-Region musicians ... These Tahoka 3-D Middle School and High School students will be performing in the Region 16 All-Region Weekend at the Lubbock Civic Center this weekend. They will rehearse all day Friday and Saturday morning with the concerts starting at 1:00 p.m.



Jazz concert ... Tahoka High School 3-D band musician Jordan Fowler performed in the All-Region Jazz Band concert Saturday at South Plains College in Levelland. She is the second saxophonist from left in the front row.

Former TISD principal Jeff Fleenor is finalist for Dawson Supt. job

Jeff Fleenor, a former Tahoka Middle School Principal who resigned last year to accept a position as K-12 principal at Dawson ISD, has been named as the lone finalist for the position of Dawson ISD Superintendent.

The DISD Interim Superintendent Johnny Tubb announced his intention to step down to the DISD Board of Trustees at their board meeting last week, and the board looked in-house to name their lone finalist for the superintendent's position.

Fleenor currently is the Dawson ISD Principal. He has 20 years experience in education, with 10 years as an administrator, including four years with Tahoka ISD.

Cool Dog facts ...

- Humans can detect sounds at 20,000 times per second, while dogs can sense frequencies of 30,000 times per second.
- The earliest dog fossil dates back to nearly 10,000 B.C.

Please visit these Lynn County Churches

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

Restored
Read Acts 3:11-16 • 1 Peter 2:5
On my street sits an empty, Georgian-style house with huge white columns in front. As I pass by, I think how beautiful it must have been in times past. Long neglected, the paint is fading and peeling. The house has been vandalized inside and out. It's hard to know how much damage has actually been done. How much would it cost to restore this old house? I wondered. Can it even be saved? How I wish someone would move in and fix up the place! I know it has the potential to be beautiful again. That old house is a lot like many of us. We come into this world created by our Maker to be whole. Then someone we trust hurts us emotionally, physically, or both. We may shut off our emotions because it hurts too much to feel. Spirits are broken and sometimes even destroyed. Others may start to wonder if we can ever be restored. But when we allow Christ Jesus into our hearts, he can heal the scars caused by life and repair our wounded spirit. And unlike that old house on my street that could be too costly to restore, the high price of our restoration has been paid by Christ, the Master Carpenter, whose work is always of highest quality. *from Upperroom.org*
Do you need a church home? Please visit one of the churches listed on this page.

Wilson First Baptist Church
1403 13th St. • Box 67 • Wilson, TX 79381 • (806) 628-6333
PASTOR: BILLY PARMER
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

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

Draw First United Methodist Church
(established 1907)
P.O. Box 496 • O'Donnell, TX 79351
Phone (806) 428-3357
PASTOR: REV. WESTON PENDERGRASS
Sunday Morning Worship - 9:15 am

TAHOKA St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church
1829 S. Ave. M • Tahoka, TX 79373 • Office (806) 561-4436
PASTOR: FATHER JOHN S. RATHINAM, 806-241-0086
DEACON: PETE PANIAGUA, 445-4077
Sunday Mass - 11:00 am
Communion Mass Service Wednesdays & Thursdays, 6:00 pm
CCE Wednesdays at 6:30 pm
Reconciliation 10:30 am Sundays or any time by appointment

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 FREITAG, PLM
Sunday School - 9:30 am • Sunday Worship - 10:45 am

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
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PULPIT MINISTER: STEVEN BONNER
Sunday School - 10:00 am
Sunday Worship - 11 am
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WILSON COMMUNITY NEWS

by Bonnie S. Schwertner

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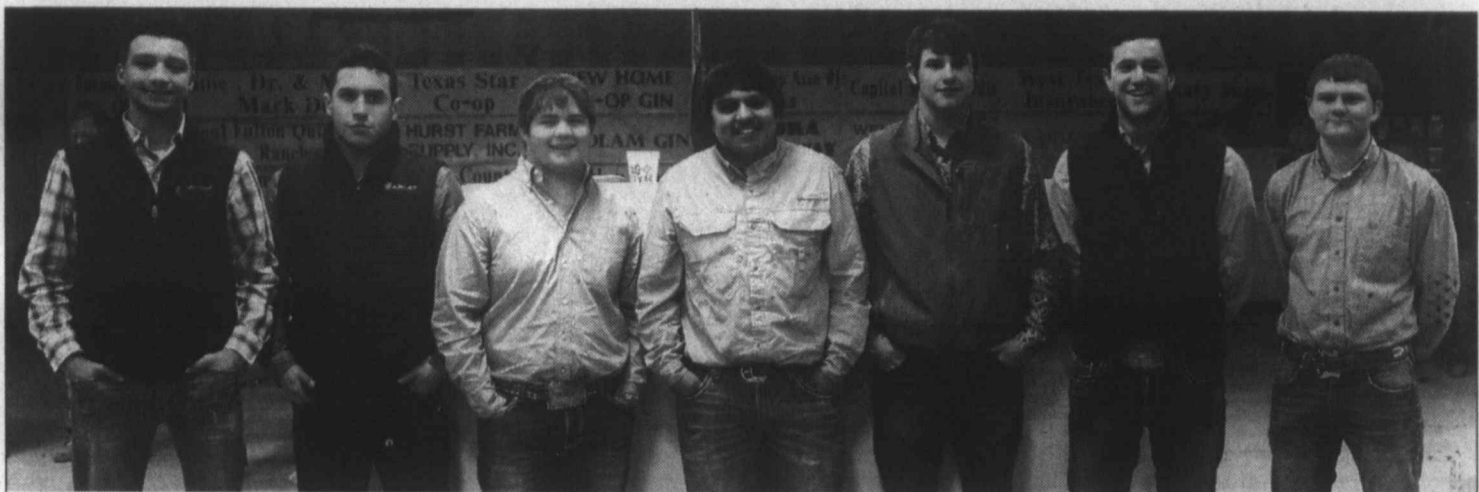
My heart swells with pride every time I see our students work diligently toward a goal. This is the first time in years that we have an Ag program. No one expected there to be livestock and shows so soon.

Results for the Wilson FFA showing at the Lynn County Livestock Show are: Zack Crutcher 3rd in class Chester, and Rachel Reese 6th in class Berk. Wilson's Lynn County 4-H students: Stetson Wilke - 7th and 10th in class light cross, Gracie Pharis - 4th in class Hampshire, 4th in class Chester, and Sidney McBride - 6th in class cross.

I wanted to hear from students, and asked to hear about their experiences.

From Stetson Wilke, Wilson HS student:

"Showing hogs is a full time commitment. We start buying a hog for shows in October. We go to many sales looking for the "right" one. Picking out a hog is no easy task. You look for bone structure and knowing bloodline can help in choosing. Once we get the pig home that's when the real work starts. Things that have to be done daily are, feeding, checking pens and watering. Feeding a hog is a science that I'm not sure anyone does perfectly. You have to look at your pig daily, see if he needs more fat, needs to be leaner, if he needs to 'pop'. Feeding is done twice a day. Pigs also need weekly baths, if not more often. Walking each pig for 30 to 45 minutes a day is best. As for the shows, its your job to teach the pigs to walk with their head up and stride through the ring. After we walk we check the pig over, making sure they are in optimal health. We do all of this day in and day out. If its 105 or 5 degrees outside, the pigs still need all this done. In freezing weather the water lines can freeze. When that happens, that means you get



Seniors... Seniors of the 2017 Lynn County Stock Show are pictured from left, Colbe Perez, Andrew Alvarez, Braden Cook, Nik DeLeon, Justin McCarty, Brit Lockaby and Colton Stice. (LCN PHOTO by Pam Elrod)

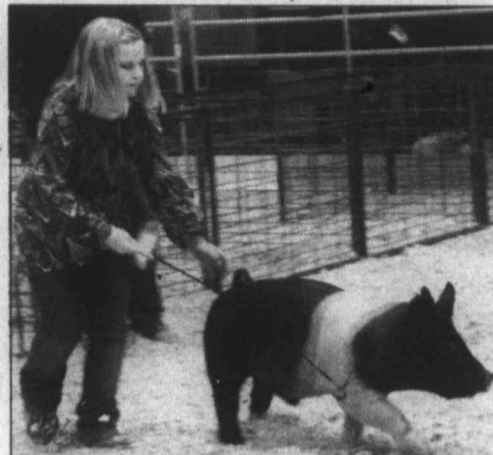
to haul water every 2 hours to the pigs. We also use heat lamps to help keep the pigs warm. Getting the lamps set right is very important. To far away from the pig, they can't feel the heat; to close and they can get burned. Caring for a show pig is not an easy job; however, it is very rewarding.

Stock show Week

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Show Day

A few final feedings and then it's time to head to the ring. I walk to the gate to the ring. It's go time.



Gracie Pharis, Wilson Elementary



Stetson Wilke, Wilson HS

Walking in the arena I show the judge what I have been working months on. My blood sweat and tears is walking on 4 legs beside me. I walk him to show the best views of the hog. Sometimes the judge loves him, sometimes not so much. I have walked out with a grand champion overall belt buckle and banner. I have also left with last place. Different years, different hogs, makes for different outcomes."

From Gracie Pharis, Wilson Elementary:

"You have to work with him daily, feed him, make sure the pen is clean, give them baths. On the day of the show you have to make sure they look their best. It's hard for me to stay calm, I get so nervous, but once my pig and I are in the ring it gets better. I walk my pig so the judge can see him. I always keep looking at the judge. The judge picks what place you get. Sometimes I get last, sometimes I get 1st. I always shake the judges hand and say thank you, no matter what place I get. As we leave the ring I take my pig back to his pen. I have done everything I can to show my pig. Now its on to the next show and the next pig."

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AMAC notes benefits of growing old

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But, too often, they don't advertise the fact, so ask your waiter or waitress when placing your order. Even those establishments with no specific policies regarding senior discounts are apt to make an on the spot decision to reduce your final bill by five to ten percent if you ask. Restaurants thrive on repeat business and offering a break to seniors is one way to turn you into a repeat customer.

It's the same at supermarkets and other chain stores, says AMAC. Some even have special days when seniors get discounts. Meantime, you can go online and search the Web for "senior discounts" before you go out; you'll be amazed at the variety of reduced price offerings that are out there for older Americans.

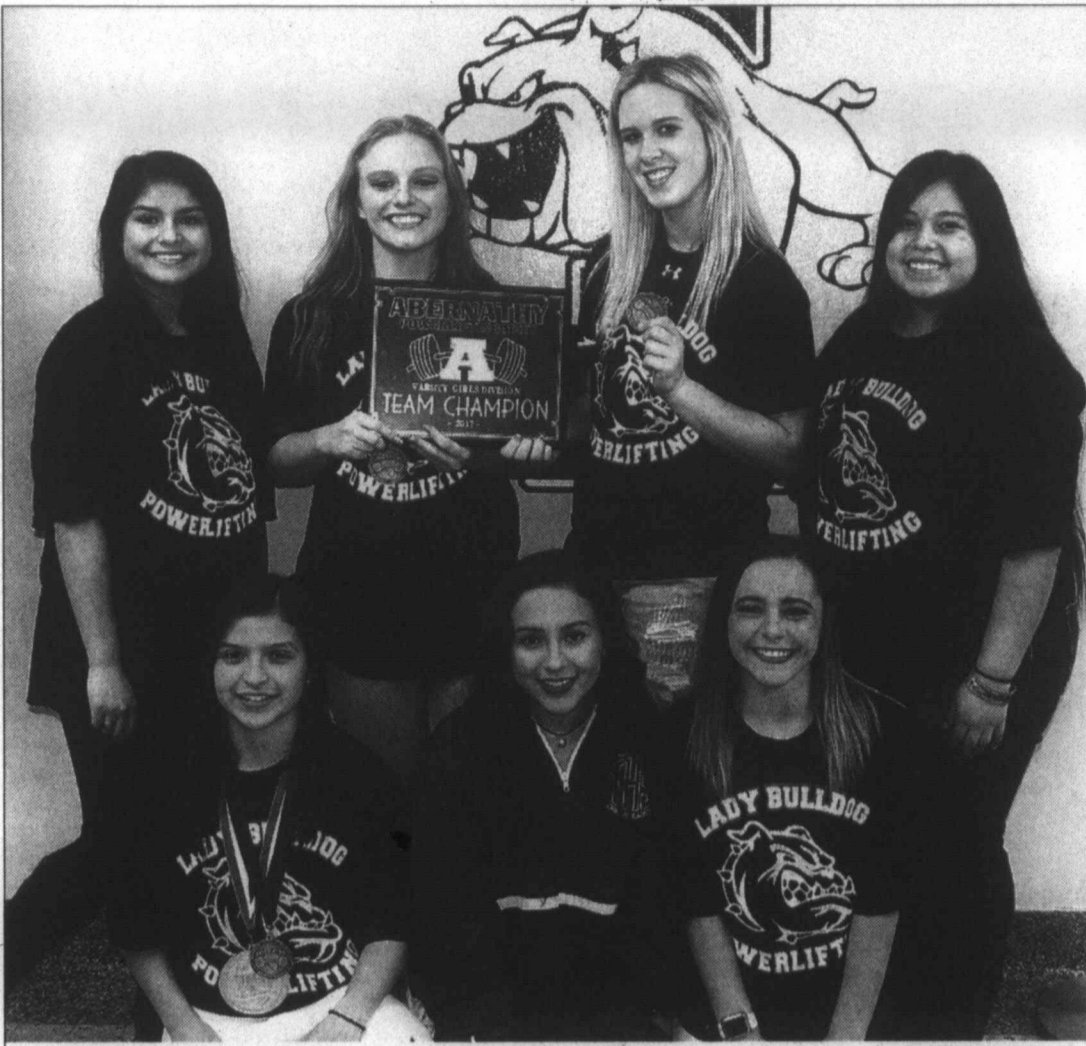
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Did you know that the U.S. Geologic Survey, the government agency that focuses on the country's natural resources, offers seniors aged 62 and older a lifetime pass to more than 2,000 outdoor recreation facilities throughout the U.S. for just \$10.00?

The Association of Mature American Citizens suggests you fire up your computer and visit <http://store.usgs.gov/pass/senior.html#benefits> to discover how you can plan an exciting out of doors holiday anytime it's convenient.

For example, go paddling on the Little Calumet River Water Trail in Porter, Indiana or visit Bill Baggs Cape Florida State Park in Key Biscayne where you can go sunbathing, swimming, picnicking, camping, hiking and kayaking.

AMAC notes that senior pass holders get a lifetime of free access to locations such as these throughout the U.S. along with on-site discounts at campgrounds and other on-site facilities.



Powerlifting Champions ... The THS Girls Powerlifting Team won the Varsity Girls Team Champion trophy at the Abernathy Powerlifting Meet last Saturday. Team members include, top row: Priscilla Castillo, Klynn McClesky, Olivia Hammonds, and Madison Moya; and bottom row: Serena Ayala, Layney Vega, and Mikaylee Gwin.

THS Team wins powerlifting trophy at Abernathy

It was an exciting start for the Tahoka High School Girl's Powerlifting Team's 2017 season. The Lady Bulldogs won the Varsity Girls Team Champion trophy at the Abernathy Powerlifting Meet last Saturday by scoring a total of 33 points.

The team is composed up of seniors Olivia Hammond, Klynn McClesky, and Mikaylee Gwin, junior, Serena Ayala, and sophomores Layney Vega, Madison Moya, and Priscilla Castillo. Serena Ayala won the meet's "Most Outstanding Lifter" award.

The list of awards is as follows: 97 Class - Layney Vega, 1st place; 105 Class - Serena Ayala, 1st place; 114 Class - Mikaylee Gwin, 4th place; 148 Class - Klynn McClesky, 2nd place; 165 Class - Olivia Hammonds, 2nd place; 220 Class - Madison Moya, 1st place.

On the THS boys powerlifting team, Alexander Herrevia

placed 2nd in the 165 lbs class with a total of 855; Brayden Castillon placed 3rd in the 181 lbs class with a total of 1070; and Matthew Diaz placed 4th in the 165 lbs class with a total of 800.

"We took 10 boys to Abernathy on Saturday and had a very solid showing for our first meet," said Coach Stephen Overstreet. "We left some weight out on the table but we

planned that with this being our first meet. Lots of young kids who are trying powerlifting for the first time so wanted to make sure we came away with three good lifts on the Squat, Bench, and Deadlift. We did have three individuals medal," he added.

"We look forward to our next meet which will be here in Tahoka on February 2nd starting at 4 p.m. in the high school gym," said the coach.

'Did you know' trivia ...

- Did you know your tongue is the fastest healing part of your body
- Did you know on your birthday you share it with 9 million others
- Did you know 1 googol is the number 1 followed by 100 zeros
- Did you know you burn more calories sleeping than watching TV
- Did you know frogs don't usually swallow water (they absorb most of the moisture they need through their skin)

- Did you know the oldest word in the English language is 'town'
- Did you know Venetian blinds were invented in Japan
- Did you know the average golf ball has 336 dimples
- Did you know the word 'Strengths' is the longest word in the English language with just one vowel
- Did you know the movie 'Wayne's World' was filmed in two weeks
- Did you know Hilton was the first international hotel chain

Three file for places in May 6 elections

Three candidates filed during the past week for places on city ballots in the May 6 elections. The filing period for city, school and hospital board elections in Lynn County opened on Jan. 18 and continues through Feb. 17.

As of early Tuesday afternoon this week, Tahoka Mayor John Baker filed for re-election, Johnny Rosas filed for the Tahoka City Council, and Pat Cates filed for re-election to the Wilson City Council.

Lynn County Hospital District will have an election for two directors, both of whom will have three-year terms. City elections in Lynn County are for two-year terms, and school board trustees serve three-year terms.

Wilson, Tahoka and O'Donnell ISD each have two trustee seats up for election.

City elections in the county include two council seats in O'Donnell and New Home, two council seats and a mayoral term in Tahoka, and three council seats in Wilson.

Following is a complete list of terms expiring in the upcoming May 6 elections.

Lynn County Hospital District: Two directors. Terms expiring: Sharon Isham, W. Calloway Huffaker.

City of Tahoka: Mayor and two Council members. Terms expiring: Mayor John Baker; Council District 1: Rudy Fuentes; District 3: Amy Preston. Filing: *John Baker for Mayor; Johnny Rosas, Dist. 1.*

Tahoka ISD: Two trustees. Terms expiring: Pct. 3: Jim Bingham; Pct. 4: seat vacated by Matt Woodley (Drew Stone appointed to fill until election).

City of Wilson: Three council seats. Terms expiring: Helen Stephenson, Pat Cates, Weldon Menzer. Filing: *Pat Cates.*

Wilson ISD: Two trustees. Terms expiring: Doug Bolyard, Oscar Ortega.

City of New Home: Two Council seats. Terms expiring: Jim Olson, Brady Gass.

New Home ISD: (Elections held in November, filing at a later date.)

City of O'Donnell: Two Council seats. Terms expiring: Jesse Perez, Ramiro Montez Jr.

O'Donnell ISD: Two trustees. Terms expiring: Randy Cook, Trevor Halfmann.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of Administration for the Estate of **MOISES G. HIRACHETA**, Deceased, were issued on January 23, 2017, under Docket No. 2017PR0001 in the County Court of Lynn County, Texas, to Hilaria Hiracheta.

Claims may be addressed as follows:

Representative, Hilaria Hiracheta
Estate of Moises G. Hiracheta, Deceased
c/o Harvey L. Morton, Attorney
PO Box 10305
Lubbock, Texas 79408

Persons having claims must present them on or before August 1, 2017, and in the time and in the manner prescribed by law.
DATED January 23, 2017.

/s/ Hilaria Hiracheta

CAUSE NO. 2016PR0027

ESTATE OF S. KAYE DEAN, DECEASED § IN THE COUNTY COURT § OF § LYNN COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF S. KAYE DEAN

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of **S. KAYE DEAN**, were issued to James Douglas Dean, Jr., Independent Executor on the 18th day of January, 2017, under Docket No. 2016PR0027 by the County Court of Lynn County, Texas. All persons having claims against said Estate are hereby requested to present same to it within the time prescribed by law and any claims may be presented addressed as follows:

James Douglas Dean, Jr.
2420 39th Street
Lubbock, Texas 79412

DATED: January 19, 2017

MYRTLE MCDONALD
3305 66th Street, Suite 2
Lubbock, Texas 79413
Phone: (806) 792-5006
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Notice of Public Hearing:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS, THAT:

The City of Tahoka, Advancing the Community of Tahoka (Type B) Corporation (ACT Board) shall hold a public hearing on funding of the following proposed community development project: Funding for the Business Façade Improvement Program for 2017. Information concerning the proposed project is available for public inspection at the Tahoka City Hall, 1807 N. Main St., Tahoka, TX, 79373. The City Council has approved the ACT Board proposal to set aside possible expenditure on the proposed project up to \$22,500 total; dispersing amounts of up to \$7,500 per business. A public hearing will be held by the ACT Board on Thursday, February 2, at 5:15 p.m. City of Tahoka Community Room, 1807 N Main St., Tahoka, Texas, 79373

CITATION BY PUBLICATION CAUSE NO. 2016PR0029

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF LYNN

TO: GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to appear before the COUNTY COURT of LYNN COUNTY, TEXAS at the Courthouse of said County in the City of Tahoka, LYNN COUNTY, TEXAS at or before 10:00 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday after the expiration of ten (10) days from the date of publication of this citation by filing a written answer to a petition filed in said Court in Cause No. 2016PR0029, styled, in the Interest of the ESTATE of **KATHERINE JENNIFER COLON**.

A brief statement of the nature of the petition is as follows, said applicant Claudia Colon wishes to be appointed as Administrator of said estate and is more fully shown by the petition on file in this cause.

The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs. If this citation is not served within ninety (90) days after the day of issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

ISSUED AND GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID COURT at office in Tahoka, Texas this the 23rd day of January, 2017.

SUSAN TIPTON, COUNTY CLERK LYNN COUNTY, TEXAS

NEW HOME INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

-- GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2016

DATA CONTROL CODES	10 General Fund	60 Capital Projects Fund	Other Governmental Funds	98 Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES:				
5700 Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 845,739	\$ 2,026	\$ 207,334	\$ 1,055,099
5800 State Program Revenues	2,745,507	-	180,478	2,925,985
5900 Federal Program Revenues	13,464	-	146,707	160,171
5020 Total Revenues	3,604,710	2,026	534,519	4,141,255
EXPENDITURES:				
Current:				
0011 Instruction	1,782,918	-	114,799	1,897,717
0012 Instructional Resources and Media Services	5,756	-	-	5,756
0013 Curriculum and Staff Development	3,931	-	1,696	5,627
0023 School Leadership	192,669	-	-	192,669
0031 Guidance, Counseling and Evaluation Services	62,202	-	-	62,202
0033 Health Services	25,450	-	-	25,450
0034 Student Transportation	119,958	-	-	119,958
0035 Food Service	4,971	-	154,020	158,991
0036 Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities	137,352	-	-	137,352
0041 General Administration	248,172	-	-	248,172
0051 Facilities Maintenance and Operations	772,255	-	-	772,255
0052 Security and Monitoring Services	5,120	-	-	5,120
0053 Data Processing Services	43,726	-	-	43,726
0071 Principal on Long Term Debt	77,195	-	230,000	307,195
0072 Interest on Long Term Debt	4,541	-	198,835	203,376
0073 Bond Issuance Costs and Fees	-	-	433	433
0081 Capital Outlay	-	2,101,395	-	2,101,395
0093 Payments to Shared Service Arrangements	37,766	-	-	37,766
0099 Other Intergovernmental Charges	16,348	-	-	16,348
6030 Total Expenditures	3,540,330	2,101,395	699,783	6,341,508
1100 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under)	64,380	(2,099,369)	(165,264)	(2,200,253)
1100 Expenditures				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):				
7912 Sale of Real or Personal Property	15,000	-	-	15,000
7913 Issuance of Capital Leases	31,285	-	-	31,285
7915 Transfers In	-	26,791	192,032	218,823
8911 Transfers Out	(218,823)	-	-	(218,823)
7080 Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(172,538)	26,791	192,032	46,285
1200 Net Change in Fund Balances	(108,158)	(2,072,578)	26,768	(2,153,968)
0100 Fund Balances - Beginning	931,235	2,074,590	-	3,005,825
3000 Fund Balances - Ending	\$ 823,077	\$ 2,012	\$ 26,768	\$ 851,857