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## Order Paw Prints now

Call now to order Bulldog Paw Prints painted on your driveway. Tahoka Bulldog Booster Club members will be painting Paw Prints on Aug. 25, so order by Friday, Aug. 24. Call or text Lanae Gwin, 432-425-1439, or Liz Tew, 806-790-4301 to order.

## Tahoka Scrimmages set here Thur & Fri

**6 pm Thursday, here:**  
Tahoka JV, Wink and Sudan

**6 pm Friday, here:**  
Tahoka Varsity and Trinity Christian

## Did you know?

• The Twitter bird actually has a name - Larry.



## Where are they now?

Where are Tahoka High School exes, and what are they doing now? Send us a few sentences about any Tahoka ex, and tell us what year they graduated and where they are now, what job they have, etc., and we will publish in our Sept. 6 issue just prior to Tahoka's Homecoming.

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## What's Outside

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Aug 14	85	67	
Aug 15	92	68	
Aug 16	94	70	
Aug 17	95	70	
Aug 18	97	70	
Aug 19	82	66	0.32"
Aug 20	87	66	0.75"

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

Total Precip for Jan:	0.01"
Total Precip for Feb:	0.03"
Total Precip for Mar:	1.50"
Total Precip for Apr:	0.10"
Total Precip for May:	1.60"
Total Precip for June:	0.83"
Total Precip for July:	0.85"
Total Precip for Aug:	3.51"
Total Precip. for 2018:	8.43"

## Lubbock man killed after his truck strikes dead cow on US 87

by JUANELL JONES

A 29-year-old Lubbock man was killed in an early morning crash at 3:30 a.m. Monday on US 87 north of Tahoka. The accident was reportedly caused by loose cattle on the road during a thunderstorm, and involved a semi-trailer and a Dodge Ram pickup. The driver of the Ram pickup was identified by DPS officials as Brian Keith Smith, 29, of Lubbock. He was pronounced deceased at the scene.

According to information from Sergeant John Gonzalez, Media Communication and Education, Texas Dept. Of Public Safety, it was raining and several cattle had gotten out of a field and were loose on US 87. An 18-wheeler semi-trailer traveling southbound on US 87 just north of Tahoka had struck some of the cattle and they were killed and laying on the roadway, when the Ram pickup came up on the cattle and attempted evasive action but still struck one of the dead cows. The driver lost control of the pickup and went into the center median, causing the pickup to roll and ending up on its top in the northbound lanes of US 87.

The driver of the semi-trailer was reportedly not injured.

There was also another crash that occurred of another vehicle striking one of the dead cattle, but no injuries resulted from this crash. The crash remains under investigation.

Another accident occurred at 7:06 a.m. Monday, about 3 miles north of O'Donnell on US 87. A vehicle in the northbound lane slid off the highway about 20 yards into a field, reportedly due to the rain. No injuries were reported in the accident, and no information was available regarding the identity of the driver.

Tahoka Police arrested a 27-year-old Tahoka man on charges of Assault Domestic Violence after investigating a domestic violence report at 11 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 19 at a local residence. The victim, the man's spouse, stated she was hit on the head but refused medical attention.

Police also arrested a 49-year-old Tahoka man on an outstanding warrant for failure to pay child support out of the Lynn County

(See POLICE REPORT, page 3)



**Fatality ...** A 29-year-old Lubbock man was killed in an early morning crash Monday on US 87 north of Tahoka, after his Dodge Ram pickup (photo above) struck a dead cow on the road. The driver, Brian Keith Smith, was pronounced deceased at the scene. Several cows from a nearby field had gotten loose in the heavy rainstorm on to US 87, and an 18-wheeler semi-trailer (photo below) traveling southbound on US 87 just north of Tahoka had struck several of the cattle and they were killed and laying on the roadway, when the Ram pickup came up on the scene, striking one of the dead cows and rolling across the median. (LCN PHOTOS)



## College Credit Wilson ISD offers students college credit through Early College High School courses

Wilson Independent School District Superintendent Jerry Burger is pleased to announce the official designation of Early College High School by the Texas Education Agency. Wilson High School will now be known as "Wilson Collegiate High School" under the new designation.

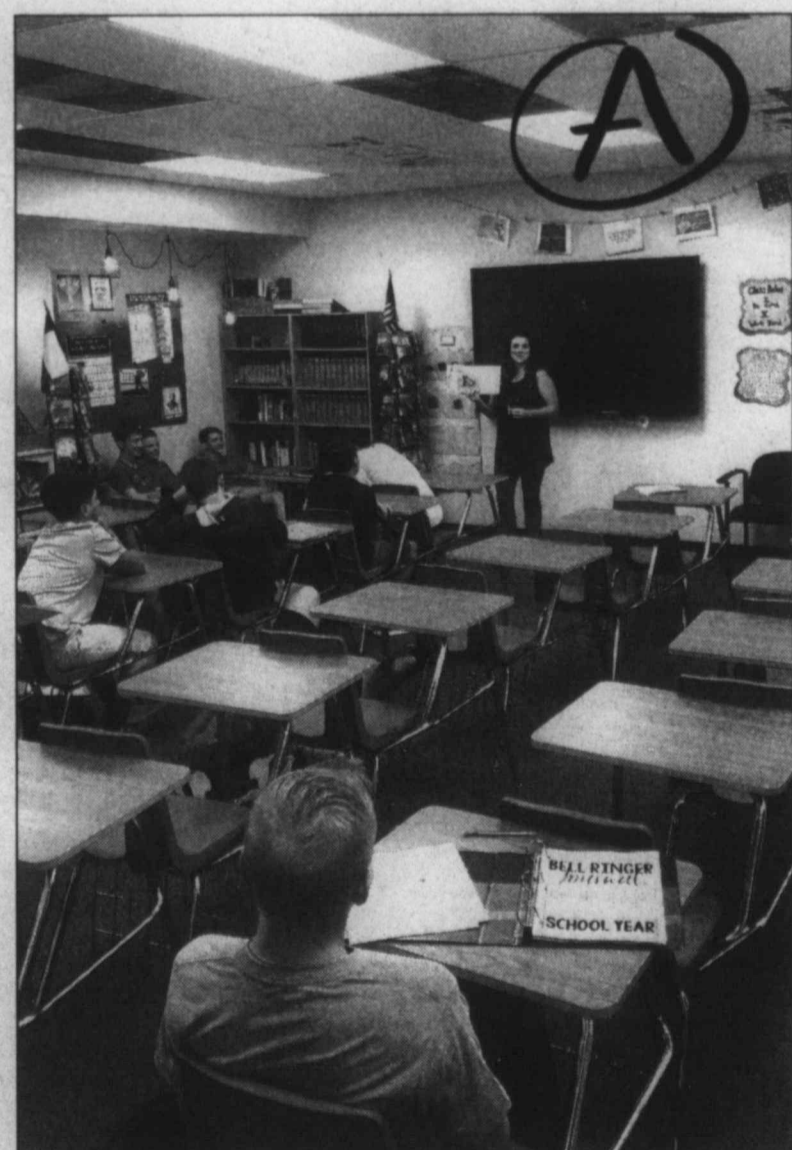
"Only four school districts in Texas received this honor in 2018. Under a federal grant, Wilson Collegiate High School will offer up to 60 college hours to all students enrolled in the district free of cost. Cohorts begin each year for students in 9th grade and continue throughout graduation," explained

the superintendent.

Colleges associated with Wilson Collegiate are South Plains College, Texas Tech University and the University of Texas at Austin. Teachers grades PK-12 have received advanced training for the early college setting and extensive staff development to meet all re-

quirements by TEA.

Newly implemented classes include AVID, a college readiness nationwide program, dual credit and On Ramps courses for college credits. The early college format exceeds the commissioner's requirements for school districts and (See WILSON COLLEGIATE, page 3)



**New construction for Leopards ...** The New Home ISD Junior High and High School addition has four new classrooms and a new science lab newly completed for the incoming 2018-19 students. "We opened school this year with 472 students, and this addition will allow us to handle the increased load of students that are coming up from elementary," said Principal Koby Abney.

## New Home ISD gets "A" rating, boasts new classrooms, locker room

New Home ISD welcomed students back to the classroom on Monday, and for Leopard Nation there is much to be excited about, according to school officials, including a high score from TEA ratings for the district, and newly-completed construction projects for the 2018-19 school year.

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) recently released school ratings based on the A-F system and New Home was rated very well, scoring an overall grade of 94, which is an "A" in the new system.

New Home Superintendent, Shane Fiedler, said, "I am extremely proud of our students and faculty for being only one of eight districts in our area to score in the 90's. This is a great accomplishment and a testament to all the great things taking place in our district. I especially want to thank our parents for the support they continue to show for our school. They are the best!"

Also, the Leopards have completed construction on two new buildings. The new Junior High and High School addition has four new classrooms and a new science lab.

According to principal Koby Abney, "We opened school this year with 472 students, and this addition will allow us to handle the increased

load of students that are coming up from elementary. We are also preparing for the growth that New Home is experiencing from families moving into the district."

The other addition is a new weight-room/locker-room. Superintendent Fiedler says, "We outgrew our old weight-room years ago and this project was desperately needed in order to provide adequate facilities for our student athletes. Our booster club was instrumental in this project and they donated money for the purchase of all new weight equipment," he explained. "Our students are extremely proud of the improvements that have been made and this was shown by the largest number of kids involved in our summer workout program."

The superintendent added, "I would like to encourage anyone who is interested to please come by and take a look at our amazing campus."



Did you know?

“ Despite spending half his career in the saddle, actor Clint Eastwood is allergic to horses. ”

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**New Home SCHOOL MENU**

August 27-31  
Elementary

- Monday:** Pancakes, bacon/ Muffin, yogurt
- Tuesday:** Sunrise sandwich/ Breakfast strudel
- Wednesday:** Monte Cristo Sand/Cereal, toast
- Thursday:** Oatmeal, cinn. Toast/PBJ
- Friday:** Breakfast burrito, hash brown/Muffin, yogurt
- Lunch**
- Monday:** Steak fingers, gravy, /Roast Beef Sand., mashed potatoes, carrot coins, strawberries & bananas
- Tuesday:** Spaghetti bowl/ French bread pizza, salad, fruit cup
- Wednesday:** Boneless chicken wings/ Texas chili, celery sticks, carrots, brownie
- Thursday:** Mexican combo plate/Chicken Quesadilla, Spanish rice, corn, beans
- Friday:** Popcorn chicken/ Sloppy Joe sand., broccoli, oven fries, peaches

**Adult Basic Education class resumes Monday**

Adult Basic Education classes will resume Monday, August 27th at Tahoka High School computer lab. Classes will be on Monday and Tuesday nights from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. Please bring photo ID and social security card. For any information, please call Kathy Copeland at 773-0621.

**August is National GOLF Month**

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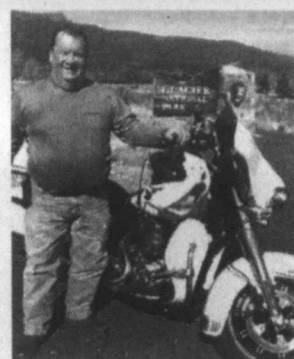
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**Obituaries**



**E. Lee Harris**

Memorial services for E. Lee Harris, 55, of Lamesa were held Wednesday, August 22, 2018 at Second Baptist Church at 2:00 p.m. with David Kirby and Daniel Reese officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Branon Funeral Home. Visitation will be held following the service Wednesday, August 22, 2018 at Second Baptist Church. E. Lee passed away on August 19, 2018 in Lubbock, TX.

He was born July 4, 1963 in Lamesa to W. Lee "Moose" and Elaine (Morris) Harris. He graduated from Lamesa High School in 1981. He married Gena Faught May 27, 1983 in Terry County. E. Lee was a photographer and farmed for many years. His passion was motorcycling, and he loved to travel. He loved spending time with his family and his granddoggles. But most of all he was known for telling jokes.

He is preceded in death by his father and grandparents.

E. Lee is survived by his wife, Gena Harris of Lamesa; daughters, Bailee Pisano and husband, Allan of Richardson and Bandi Harris of Tyler; mother, Elaine Harris of Lamesa; sister, D'Laine Young and husband, Doug of Sealy; and numerous nieces and nephews. Family suggests memorials to Haven Animal Care Shelter 4501 North FM 1729, Lubbock, TX 79403. To send condolences online, please visit [www.brannonfunerhome.com](http://www.brannonfunerhome.com) (PAID)

**BEFORE THEY WERE FAMOUS: Celebrity First Jobs**

**Johnny Cash - Military code breaker**  
Before Mr Cash became the musical man in black we all came to love, he was in the U.S. Air Force assigned as a Morse Intercept Operator. He was seriously talented in his field, utilized only for the hardest jobs where he would intercept Russian intelligence and decipher their code transmissions. Cash copied the first news of Stalin's death and located the signal when the first Soviet jet bomber made its maiden flight from Moscow to Smolensk. His very first guitar was bought with his military wages in Germany where he was stationed with other servicemen.



**Anastacio Lopez Jr.**

Anastacio Lopez Jr., 69, of Tahoka passed away on Thursday, August 16, 2018. He was born on February 9, 1949 in San Antonio to Anastacio and Maria (Mireles) Lopez, Sr. He worked as a for City of Tahoka until his retirement. He enjoyed his fur babies, hunting and enjoyed spending time with his grandkids and extended family. He was a very caring man and would do anything for anybody and will be missed greatly.

He is preceded in death by his parents; four brothers and one sister.

He is survived by a daughter, Jackie Vedder of O'Donnell; son, Paul Lopez of Brownfield; brother, Freddy Lopez of Tahoka; sisters, Lupe Lopez of Beeville, Silvia Mireles and Amalia Moya both of Brownfield; ten grandchildren and sixteen great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, August 21, 2018 at Nevels Memorial Cemetery. (PAID)

**THS Class of 68 sets 50th reunion**

The THS Class of 1968 will meet on September 7, at the City Hall Community Room (old Lyntegar Room) at 11:00 a.m. for a sandwich lunch for \$8 per person. Dinner will be at 5:30 p.m. in the same location.

The Exes Assembly will be held at the (Tahoka) First Baptist Church, with registration from 12:30-1:00 p.m. The program will begin following registration. After the assembly, the parade will begin and the class will have a float.

Special guests will be Nan Adams Howell and Coach Jim Littlefield.

For more information and details, please contact Richard White at 806-998-5262.

**THS Class of 78 sets 40th reunion**

The THS Class of 1978 40th year reunion will be held this September 7 at THS Homecoming. Current plans for the 40th reunion include a chicken fried steak dinner at Jolly Time restaurant on Friday, Sept. 7 from 4:00-6:30 p.m., and all members planning to attend are asked to RSVP for a meal head count.

After the meal, the class will meet at the football field for the game. After the game, the class will return to Jolly Time from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. for reminiscing, fellowship and dancing. DJ Pete Vallejo with Outlaw Entertainment

**Local FCS Teachers take on new roles as leaders on state executive committee**

Tahoka High School Family and Consumer Sciences teachers Whitney Wilson and Amy Izzard were recently elected to the Family and Consumer Sciences Teachers Association of Texas Executive Committee. On Wednesday, August 1st, Whitney Wilson was sworn in as the 2018-2019 President and Amy Izzard was sworn in as the 2018-2019 Secretary-Treasurer.



**State President ...** Tahoka High School Family and Consumer Sciences teacher Whitney Wilson was recently sworn in as the 2018-2019 President of the Family and Consumer Sciences Teachers Association of Texas Executive Committee.



**State Treasurer ...** Tahoka High School Family and Consumer Sciences teacher Amy Izzard (right) was sworn in recently as the 2018-2019 Secretary-Treasurer of the Family and Consumer Sciences Teachers Association of Texas Executive Committee.

university students enrolled in Family and Consumer Sciences Education programs.

"Amy and I both are so excited and grateful for this opportunity to serve our fellow FCS teachers across the state of Texas," said Wilson. "In the fall, we will conduct a board meeting to plan all upcoming events for the school year. In addition to that, the association will plan for and host two professional development conferences to provide skills-based workshops to FCS teachers that might not be available elsewhere or at their region service centers. "Another important aspect of what we do is lobby for our rights as not only teachers, but for our program as well. In the past, our association has been at the forefront of Career and Technical Education and communicated with district and state representatives to ensure our teachers have a job. At the end of the day, we want all FCS teachers to feel well-represented and have a sense of security in their jobs. We will continue to do that this year and look forward to growing our membership to better serve our Texas teachers and schools," Wilson added.

"Thank you to our administrators and fellow teachers for their support in our journey. We are so blessed to represent one of the best high schools in the state and are proud to be Tahoka Bulldogs!" she added.

**WILSON COMMUNITY NEWS**  
By Bonnie S. Schwertner  
[b.schwertner@yahoo.com](mailto:b.schwertner@yahoo.com)

This news comes from the offices of Wilson ISD:

School begins at 8:15 and ends at 3:45. Buses run at 3:50. Elementary students will go to the cafeteria before school starts. Junior High students will have athletics. High School students will go to the auditorium.

Elementary breakfast is 7:45 to 8:10. Junior High and High School breakfast is after 1st period 9 - 9:15. Lunch and breakfast is served at no cost to students.

The school has a new phone system with only one number 628-6261. Extension numbers to all employees have been changed. You will be directed to enter the first three letters of the employee's last name to reach them.

Students will receive two free polo shirts. They will be passed out during the first week of school. The dress code will go in to effect after Labor Day. Parents may purchase extra shirts for \$10.00. Please see Tami Bolyard in the elementary building.

For all the information about the school calendar, dress code, attendance, and handbooks, go to the district's web site <http://www.wilsonisd.org/>

If you would ever like to speak in Open Forum or just attend a School Board meeting, they are usually held the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Changes to that are: August 28, meeting about the proposed school tax rate at 5:00, and September's monthly meeting will be September 4 at 7:00 p.m. Certain requirements must be met to be placed on the agenda. Call WISD to be directed to the proper channels.

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**Senior Citizen's Menu**

August 27-31

**Monday:** Baked Chicken breast, Au Gratin potatoes, peas & carrots, Waldorf salad, bananas

**Tuesday:** Cheeseburger, potato wedges, tomato wedge salad, melon medley

**Wednesday:** Chicken spaghetti, carrots, zucchini, bananas w/ van pudding

**Thursday:** Ham & beans, cornbread, spinach, corn, country apple crisp

**Friday:** Beef stroganoff, noodles, mixed veg., winter fruit cup

Mark your calendars...  
• **DONATIONS:** We are now accepting donations of your new or handcrafted items, baked goods, etc., for the Lynn County Harvest Festival Silent Auction to be held Sept. 8. All proceeds will benefit the Building Fund! Items may be delivered to the Center or contact the center at 561-5264 for pick up. Donations to benefit the Center for the building fund are greatly appreciated. All donations are tax deductible; we are a 501(c)3 organization. An account has been set up at the First National Bank of Tahoka.

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**New science lab ...** The New Home ISD Junior High and High School addition includes a science lab newly completed for the incoming 2018-19 students.

### Tahoka City Council proposes keeping current 74-cent tax rate

Tahoka City Council is proposing keeping the current tax rate of \$0.747030 per \$100 of property value, for the coming year. The 74-cent rate is about 3-cents higher than the effective tax rate, which is the total tax rate needed to raise the same amount of property tax revenue for the City of Tahoka from the same properties in both the 2017 and the 2018 tax year.

The proposed tax rate is below the rollback tax rate of 77-cents, which is the highest

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

Two public hearings for citizen input have been scheduled. The first hearing will be at 5:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 27 at the Tahoka Community Room, 1804 Ave. J (behind City Hall), and the second hearing will be held at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 28, at the same location.

### Wilson Collegiate High School ...

(Continued from page 1)

provides advanced coursework for all students.

J.P. Portillo, Principal Richard Soliz and Superintendent Burger wrote the grant to fund the early college program in February 2016 and received notice of the grant award in November of 2016. J.P. Portillo, Principal and Early HS College Director, will oversee the progress of Wilson Collegiate High School program along with elementary Principal and Academic Advisor Kristi Burch.

"Each of these degrees is connected to a degree plan that maps out the detailed coursework. As champions for access, our focus is to ensure our community has the ability to pursue their education without worrying about the barriers that many of our students face when pursuing

a college education, and we have established innovative programs to help eliminate some of those barriers," Portillo added.

"WCHS would like to thank the Wilson ISD Board of Trustees, Doug Bolyard, Tracy Kendrick, Desirea Earwood, Les Walker, Michael Villarreal, Bonnie Schwertner and Craig Wilke for their continuing support of the Early High School program," said Supt. Burger.

"WCHS would also like to thank, Andrea Moreno-Juarez, Specialist ESC 17, Dr. Vanessa DeLeon, Texas Tech University, Charlotte Coffman, TEA, and Stephanie Hart of Texas Tech University for their guidance and support," he added.

Interested parties may contact Principal J.P. Portillo at 806-628-6261 for additional information.

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### New weight room at New Home ISD ...

A new weight-room/locker-room was added at New Home ISD for the 2018-19 school year. Superintendent Shane Fiedler says, "We outgrew our old weight-room years ago and this project was desperately needed in order to provide adequate facilities for our student athletes. Our booster club was instrumental in this project and they donated money for the purchase of all new weight equipment," he explained.



### Police Report ...

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Sheriff's Office, after making a traffic stop in the 1800 block of Ave. L at 1:43 a.m. Saturday.

Lynn County Jail held 42 inmates during the past week, including 27 for Ector County, 12 for Lynn, and 3 for Crosby. Local charges included FTA-Terroristic Threat to Public Servant, one for Aggravated Assault Causes Serious Bodily Injury, one for Public Intoxication, two for Possession of Marijuana, and one for a warrant for Failure to Pay Child Support.

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A tax rate of \$0.747030 per \$100 valuation has been proposed for adoption by the governing body of Tahoka, Texas. This rate exceeds the lower of the effective or rollback tax rate, and state requires that two public hearings be held by the governing body before adopting the proposed tax rate.

The governing body of Tahoka, Texas proposes to use revenue attributable to the tax rate increase for the purpose of operation and maintenance.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.747030 per \$100
PRECEDING YEAR'S TAX RATE	\$0.747030 per \$100
EFFECTIVE TAX RATE	\$0.717146 per \$100
ROLLBACK TAX RATE	\$0.774892 per \$100

The effective tax rate is the total tax rate needed to raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Tahoka, Texas from the same properties in both the 2017 and the 2018 tax year.

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

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

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

**FIRST HEARING:** August 27, 2018 at 5:30 PM at Tahoka Community Room, 1804 Avenue J.

**SECOND HEARING:** August 28, 2018 at 5:30 PM at Tahoka Community Room, 1804 Avenue J.

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**Lyntegar's 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting held in Tahoka**

Lyntegar Electric Cooperative, Inc. held its 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Members this past Tuesday, August 14, on the Tahoka ISD Football Field. A meal of fish and steak fingers was catered by River Smith's of Lubbock.

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

Those receiving their 3 year service awards were: Abel Rios - Journeyman Lineman - Sundown, David Ayala and Tanner Truitt - 1<sup>st</sup> Class Linemen - Tahoka and Shannon Wadzeck - Service Branch Clerk - Seagraves.

Five year awards: Stef White - 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Lineman - Lamesa, Blake Moore and Slate May - Member Service Advisors, Chance Witt - Office Engineering Assistant, Felicia Saldana - Clerk, Beau Dewbre - Field Engineering Assistant, Kent Porter - Material Clerk, Raymond Young, and Jonathan Hadderton - Journeyman Linemen - all of Tahoka, Caleb Vaught - Journeyman Linemen - Sundown, Carlos Carrizales, Marcus Hare, and Brandon Bean - Journeyman Linemen all of Seagraves.

Ten year awards: Monte Jolly - Journeyman Lineman and Jay Johnston - AMR Technician, Ines Vitolas - Equipment Service Technician - all of Tahoka, and Aaron Pigford - Journeyman Lineman - Lamesa.

Twenty year awards: Helen Fuentes - Chief Records Clerk and Paula Reynolds - Clerk, both of Tahoka and Michael Brattain - Journeyman Lineman - Sundown.

Twenty five years: Jesse Alvarado - 1<sup>st</sup> Class Lineman - Tahoka, and Mike Williams - Crew Foreman - Seagraves.

Thirty year award was Frank Aleman - Vehicle Shop Foreman - Tahoka.

Forty year awards went to Frank Collins - Service Branch Manager and Don Collins - Crew Foreman - both of Sundown.

Following employee service awards, was recognition of the 2018 Lyntegar Electric Cooperative, Inc. scholarship recipients and the student participants who attended the 2018 Government-in-Action Youth Tour.

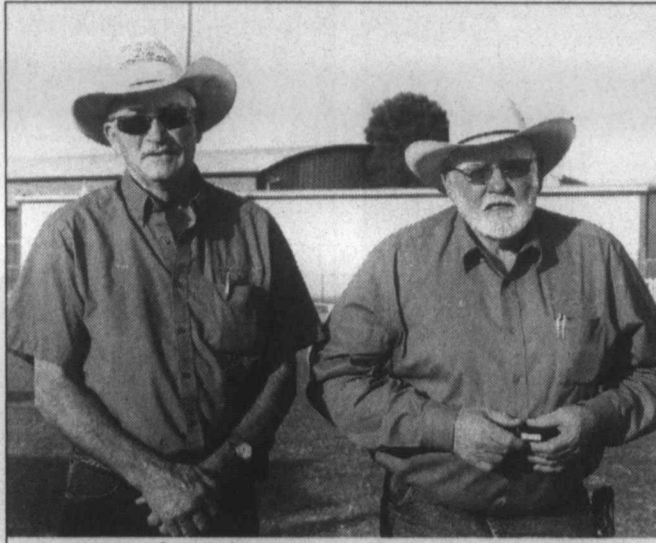
The business meeting was called to order by Earl Brown, President of the Lyntegar board. Daniel Gibson of Richards, Elder, & Gibson PLLC, Lyntegar's attorneys, served as the master of ceremonies. Reverend Bo Shero, of the Church of Christ in Brownfield, gave the invocation and then special guests and visitors were recognized. Billy Weaver, Board Secretary, gave the Secretary's Report and read the notice of the annual meeting.

Trey Rowe, with Bolinger, Segars, Gilbert & Moss, LLP, gave the Auditor's Report and informed the members that the cooperative is in good financial standing.

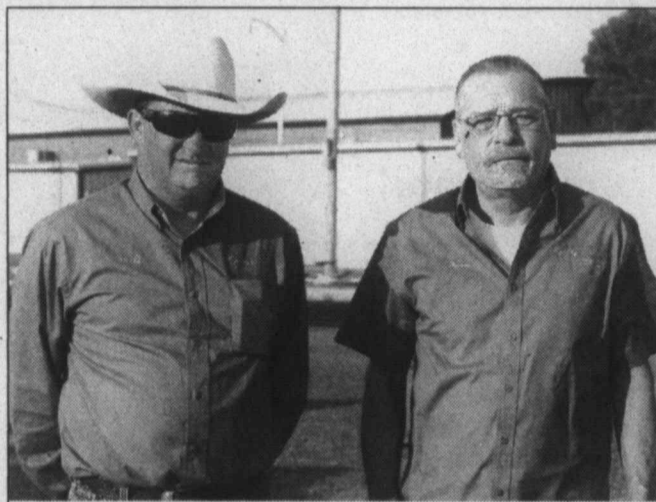
Dan Harp, chairman of the Nominating Committee, got the board election started by reading the list of those nominated to run for the two seats on the Lyntegar board. Ben Franklin was re-elected to the board of directors and Terry Burriss was elected to serve as the director for District 2. The District 2 seat had been held by Earl Brown, who decided to retire this year after 45 years of service, 30 of those as President of the Board.

The meeting closed with the presentation of prizes, where there were many winners. This included the grand prize of a 55-inch Magnavox smart TV.

The membership voted to hold the 2019 Annual Meeting in Tahoka at the football field and for a meal to be served again.



**40 years of service...** Receiving awards for 40 years of service with Lyntegar Electric Cooperative were Frank Collins, Service Branch Manager, and Don Collins, Crew Foreman, both of Sundown. The presentation was made at the 80th Annual Meeting held Aug. 14.



**25 years of service...** Receiving awards for 25 years of service with Lyntegar Electric Cooperative were Mike Williams, Crew Foreman from Seagraves, and Jesse Alvarado, 1st Class Lineman of Tahoka.

**TISD Trustees to consider hiring interim supt.**

Tahoka Independent School District Board of Trustees were to have met Tuesday night in special session to consider accepting the resignation of Supt. Alan Umholtz, who is resigning to accept a position elsewhere, and to consider naming an interim superintendent to serve until the Board can search for a new superintendent. Because this meeting was held after *The News* went to press with this week's issue, the results of that meeting will be printed in next week's edition of the paper.

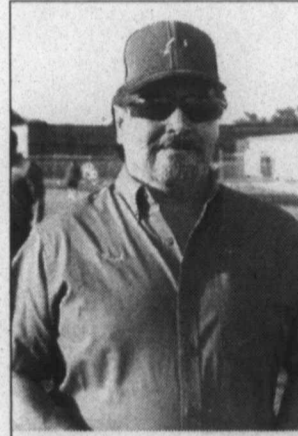
Also on the agenda was consideration of employing certified teaching staff.

**THS Homecoming Exes Assembly to be held at FBC**

The Tahoka High School 2018 Homecoming Exes Program will be moved to a new location this year, due to the new auditorium not being quite complete at the THS campus for the Sept. 7 Homecoming festivities. This year, the THS Exes Program will be held at the Tahoka First Baptist Church sanctuary.

Registration for the ex-students assembly will be held from 12:30-1:00 p.m. in the FBC fellowship hall, and the program will be held from 1-2 p.m. in the church sanctuary, according to information released by school officials this week. The THS Class of 1998 is this year's honored class, but all Tahoka exes are welcome to attend the program.

The Homecoming Parade lineup will be held as usual in the same location, at N. 4th and Ave. O, beginning at 2:30 p.m.



**30 years of service...** Vehicle Shop Foreman Frank Aleman of Tahoka, received an award for 30 years of service with Lyntegar Electric Cooperative at the 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting this past Tuesday, August 14, on the Tahoka ISD Football Field.

**A dog-gone good day for dogs!**

**National Dog Day** is Sunday, August 26, a date set aside to celebrate dogs, recognize the number that need to be rescued each year, and acknowledge our canine friends who work to save lives and bring comfort.

**Lynn County Hospital District to consider tax rate Thursday**

Lynn County Hospital District Board of Directors will meet today (Thursday) in regular session to consider several issues, including proposing a 2018 property tax rate for the upcoming year. The meeting will begin at 4 p.m. in the hospital meeting room, with a public forum set at the beginning of the meeting, followed by a board education session.

Currently, the hospital tax rate is 28-cents (\$0.289922) per \$100 of property value. The effective tax rate is 5-cents lower, at \$0.239683, which is the rate that would bring the district the same amount of tax revenue from the same properties as the previous year. The rollback rate, which is the highest rate the district can adopt before voters are entitled to petition for an election to limit the rate that may be approved to the rollback rate, is \$0.258857.

At 6 p.m., a public hearing regarding the 2018-19 budget will be held, after which directors may approve the budget, and propose and adopt the 2018 tax rate.

Other issues on the agenda include discussion of bylaws

for medical staff and the governing board, consideration of the O'Donnell Clinic project, departmental reports, and staff appointments.

**NEWS from the Library**  
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**Mrs. Mac is back**

Rhonda McNeely is back in a library. That's right she is at the City-County Library planning events and programs. Rhonda McNeely, our new Program Director, is not new to libraries. She was previously the librarian at Tahoka ISD Elementary for 18 years. Rhonda's skills and knowledge of libraries will be a great asset to our library and our community. She has started planning and preparing for future events and programs at the City-County Library.

**Storytime with Mrs. Mac**

The kids are back in school and Mrs. Mac has been busy planning Storytime at the Library. Every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. babies thru toddlers and their adult meet at the li-

brary. Stories, songs, musical instruments and crafts with "Lots of fun and some surprises" says Mrs. Mac.

**Tea and Tales**

Jerry Webster, City Administrator, and Chad Carson of Housley Group Inc. described in detail the process of replacing the City of Tahoka's water line to our ladies' group. They explained the benefits of the new water line and gave locations of where the new lines are being laid. Discussion time was open to ask questions about concerns. Jerry and Chad answered all their questions in detail. The ladies appreciated them taking time to speak to them.



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## Texas Outdoor enthusiasts, livestock producers, homeowners advised to watch for new tick

Confirmed reports of the longhorned tick, *Haemaphysalis longicornis*, in seven states have prompted a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service entomologist to alert Texans to its possible arrival here.

Dr. Sonja Swiger, AgriLife Extension veterinary/medical entomologist at Stephenville, said the longhorned tick isn't named for the iconic bovine symbol of the Lone Star State, but rather for the distinctive, but underrated "horns" sprouting from a portion of its head.

"This tick is a relative newcomer to the United States and though it has not been confirmed here in Texas, it has been confirmed in Arkansas," she said. "It's not at all choosy about who or upon what mammal it feeds on or who it dines with, as it has been found feeding right alongside other external parasites."

Some ticks, like the cattle fever tick, prefer to complete their life cycle on a single host. Not the longhorned tick, which Swiger said is a three-host tick, meaning it requires three different hosts to complete its life cycle. Animals on the menu include, but are not limited to: cattle, white-tailed deer, horses, goats, sheep, dogs, cats, opossum, birds and raccoon.

Swiger said she has no reports of it feeding on people in the U.S., though it is known to attack people in Asia and the Pacific. She did say the longhorned tick is not a known carrier of the pathogen causing Lyme disease.

"Even though there are no reports of it being a Lyme disease carrier, this tick is a known vector of several bacterial, viral and protozoan disease agents that affect both livestock and humans," Swiger said. "So, it's worth keeping an eye on."

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS, THAT:

THE City of Tahoka, Tahoka Economic Development Board (Type B) Corporation shall hold a public hearing on funding the following proposed community development project: Lynn County Senior Citizens Center/Relocation Development. Information concerning the proposed project is available for public inspection at the Senior Citizen's Center/Tahoka City Hall, 1807 North Main Street, Tahoka, TX, 79373. The Tahoka City has approved the Tahoka Economic Development Boards proposal to set aside an expenditure of \$50,000.00 towards the renovation of the new building.

A public hearing will be held by the Tahoka Economic Development Board on Thursday, September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 5:15 p.m. City Council meeting room, 1807 N. Main Street, Tahoka, TX 79373

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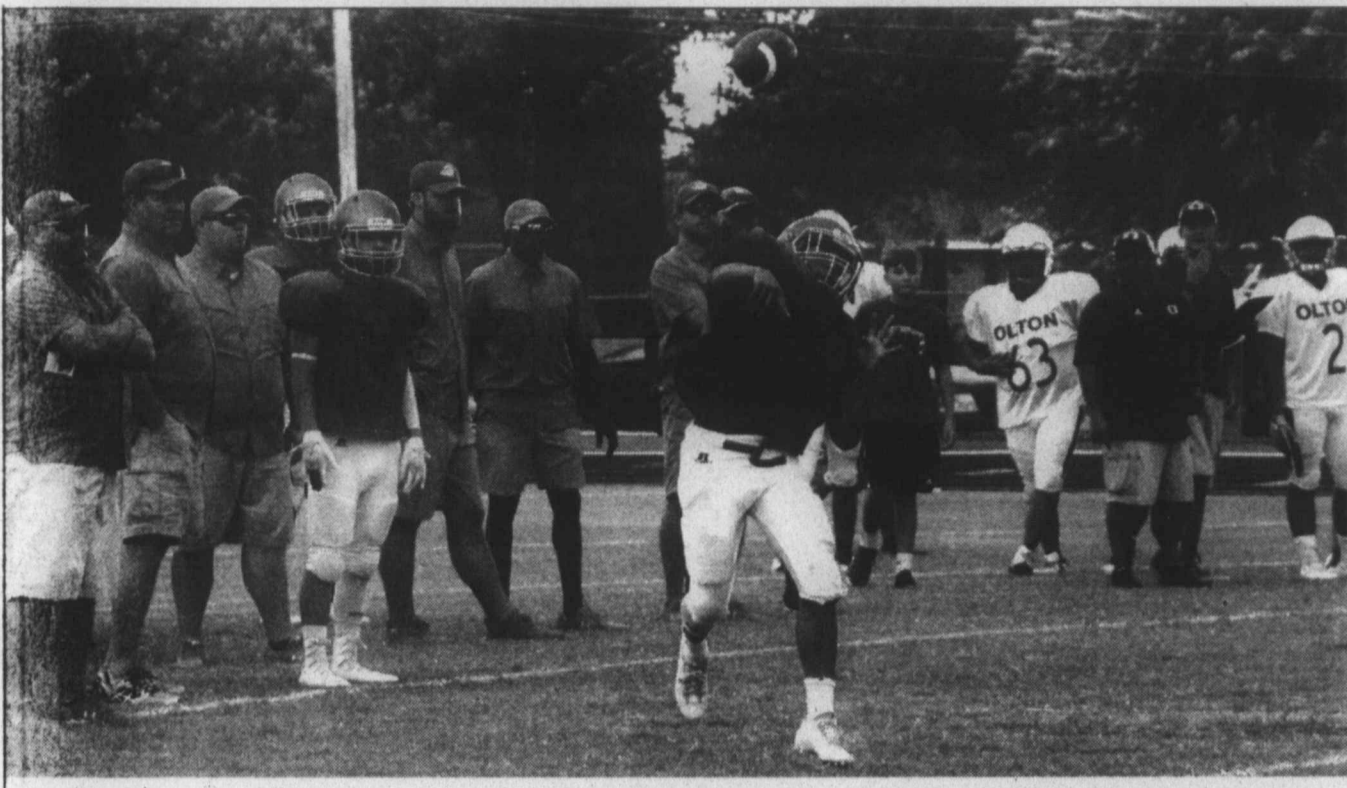
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**Ball toss ...** Jonathan Renteria tosses the ball to an unseen Tahoka receiver in this photo, during the scrimmage with Olton here Friday night. Head Coach Stephen Overstreet and his staff are observing the action. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

**Tahoka's scrimmage with Olton shows bright spots, room to improve**

The Tahoka varsity and junior varsity football teams scrimmaged with Olton here Friday night, and Head Coach Stephen Overstreet says he was impressed with his players on their first scrimmage.

"Overall I was impressed. We did see some things that were bright spots and obviously some things we need to work on. I was really impressed with the way Soul Moore ran the ball. He has been a kid that has really caught my eye this year due to the how much bigger and how physical he has gotten. He's a kid that has taken huge strides since last year. I was also impressed with our new offensive line guys. They did a solid job and will only keep getting better as time goes on when they start getting more comfortable with each other," said Overstreet.

"Defensively we did a decent job and I was impressed with our ability to tackle. We gave up some big plays obviously but in a scrimmage we are very basic and we don't scout our opponent. I feel like we are faster on both sides of the ball from last year, but the thing that really stuck out to me and what I told the kids was we are near physical enough. We are going to play a smash mouth style of football and that starts with having an offensive line that hopefully dominates our opponent. We aren't going to be flashy we are going to run the ball but we have to get more physical. Same thing on the defensive side of the ball. This group of kids are great kids and don't really have a mean streak in them. I need them to be physical and get angry on Friday nights. The rest of the week I love the fact that they are such nice guys but we need a little

more aggression which we'll get as the year goes on.

"Overall good job first scrimmage but will need to see improvements this week as we face Trinity here at 6 p.m. on Friday," the coach added.

He was pleased with the performance of the JV team as well.

"This group did a great job. This is basically a freshman team with some upper classmen sprinkled in. They showed us a lot and played hard the entire night. This group obviously has room to grow, but all we ask out of them is that each week they just keep getting better. You don't win state championships at the JV level but you do prepare yourself for when you get your shot on the Varsity. This group works hard and has some very dedicated guys who one day will make a hand on the Varsity and the ability for them to get reps each week is only going to help them grow for down the road," said Overstreet.

The JV will scrimmage Wink and Sudan here on Thursday (today) beginning at 6 p.m.

**Famous Inventions...**

Aug. 7, 1944 - The world's first program-controlled calculator, popularly called the Harvard Mark I, was inaugurated. The

machine was built by Harvard researcher Howard Aiken, supported by IBM.

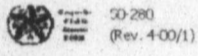
Aug. 8, 1911 - patent # 1,000,000 was issued to Francis Holton for a vehicle tire.

Aug. 9, 1898 - Rudolf Diesel of France was granted patent #608,845 for an "internal combustion engine" the Diesel engine.

Aug. 10, 1909 - The Ford trade-

mark registered by the Ford Motor Corporation.

Aug. 11, 1950 - Steve Wozniak was born. He was the co-founder of Apple Computers.



**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE TAHOKA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The **TAHOKA ISD** will hold a public meeting at **06:00 PM, 08/28/2018** in **TISD BOARD ROOM**. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

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

Maintenance Tax	1.170000 /\$100
School Debt Service Tax Approved by Local Voters	0.260000 /\$100

**Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget**

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

Maintenance and Operations	1.600 % Increase	0.000% Decrease
Debt Service	64.314% Increase	0.000 % Decrease
Total Expenditures	4.244 % Increase	0.000 % Decrease

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

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value of all property	160,180,440	186,028,626
Total appraised value of new property	2,236,570	2,076,360
Total taxable value of all property	115,290,888	133,533,952
Total taxable value of new property	2,235,910	2,076,360

**Bonded Indebtedness:** Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness **\$7,915,000.00**

**Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates**

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	1.170000	0.286000	1.456000	\$3,058	\$9,653
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	1.12483	0.21941	1.34424	\$3,415	\$9,406
Proposed Rate	1.170000	0.260000	1.430000	\$3,353	\$9,590

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

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

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	56,034.00	59,210.00
Average Taxable Value of Residences	31,034.00	34,210.00
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	1.46	1.43
Taxes Due on Average Residence	453.10	489.21
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		36.11

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

**Notice of Rollback Rate:** The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is **1.43**. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.43.

**Fund Balances**

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

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	3,570,976
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	42,823



**Moving the ball ...** Alexander Herevia carries the ball for Tahoka in scrimmage action with Olton on Friday night, as the coaching staff observes from behind. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

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