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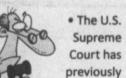
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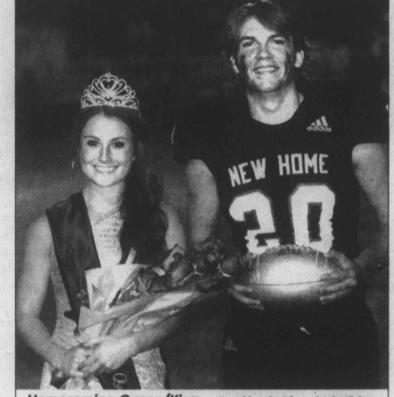
### Now that's funny!

Magnetism, as you recall from physics class, is a powerful force that causes certain items to be attracted to refrigerators. -- DAVE BARRY

Did you know?

 McDonald's once created bubblegum-flavored broccoli. (It was a complete failure!)





Homecoming Queen/King ... Brooklyn Smith and Jake Tabor were named New Home High School 2021 Homecoming Queen and King, during ceremonies held at halftime of Friday night's homecoming (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones) game.

# **Details being finalized for** Sept. 25 Harvest Festival

#### **by JUANELL JONES**

The Lynn County Harvest Festival Committee is meeting weekly as they work to finalize all the details for the 45th annual Lynn County Harvest Festival that will be held Saturday, Sept. 25. It promises to be a fun celebration, returning after the 2020 pandemic hiatus, to the downtown square in Tahoka.

Citizens will notice some changes to this year's event, most notably that instead of being held on the lawn of the Lynn County Courthouse all booths and activities will be held in the streets of downtown, with vehicle traffic barred from Main Street just south of the traffic light at Main and Lockwood (Hwy 380) to South 1st Street, to allow for pedestrians to enjoy the event. Food trucks and other vendors will have their wares displayed in areas set up on city streets, and the stage area will also be on the street north

of the courthouse.

Lynn County Courthouse officials are asking citizens not to place any lawn chairs on the grassy lawn surrounding the courthouse, due to sprinkler systems in the lawn. Blankets on the lawn will be allowed, however. Lawn chairs may be set on sidewalks surrounding the courthouse, on in the streets.

A detailed schedule of events and local entertainment will be printed in next week's issue of The News, which will include performances by some local singers/musicians, deejay music, trivia cash questions, as well as the popular turtle races for youth, princess, duchess and queen contests, and ending with a street dance on the square from 8 p.m. until 11 p.m.

Prior to the Harvest Festival events, a 5K and1K run is being held. Runners of all ages are sought

(See HARVEST FESTIVAL, page 3)

# **County commissioners okay** lowering tax rate by 3-cents

#### by JUANELL JONES

Lynn County Commissioners voted unanimously to lower the property tax rate for Lynn County by three cents, in action taken at 2 election. Routine annual desig-Monday morning's commissioner nations were approved, including meeting. Following public hearings setting the designated place for for the budget and proposed tax official postings for sales and othrate, commissioners voted to set the county property tax rate at 70-cents per \$100 of property value, which is three cents lower than the current rate of 73-cents per \$100 of property value, The tax rate will provide revenue of \$4,632,827 in the county's General Fund, and will fund a budget of \$4,468,812, which commissioners also approved at the meeting.

In other business, commissioners approved a joint election agreement between Lynn County and the City of Tahoka, for the Nov.



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### FOOTBALL TIME!

LAST WEEK'S SCOREBOARD: Roosevelt 59-0 Tahoka Jayton 56-0 Wilson New Home 47-8 Plains Sterling City 84-38 O'Donnell

SEPT 17 GAMES: Tahoka at Crosbyton Kingdom Prep at Wilson (Thur)

New Home at Floydada

O'Donnell at Springlake

### **COVID-19 UPDATE**

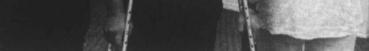
**COVID-19 Update Lynn County** Sept. 13, 2021: 9 New cases confirmed 45 Active, 710 Recovered, 8 Deaths Lynn County total cases: 763

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er notices on the posting board on the north side of the exterior of the courthouse, designating senior commissioner Don Blair as County Judge Pro-Tem for the 2022 year, designating the north steps of the courthouse for sales of property to be conducted, and designating commissioners meetings to be held in the first floor county courtroom (See COMMISSIONERS, page 3)



City welcomes new Judge ... City Administrator Julie Arrington (right) welcomed JT McAuley (center) as the new Tahoka Municipal Judge, and city employee Marisa Webster as the new Municipal Court Clerk, at a reception hosted by the City of Tahoka last Thursday. Judge McAuley Is also a Municipal Judge for the City of Shallowater, and will share part-time duties with both municipalities.

(LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

Looking Lovely in the Leopard zone ...



Leopard Homecoming royalty ... The New Home High School 2021 Homecoming Court is pictured here, from left: Leeya Garcia, Charis Hall, Brooklyn Smith, Kenidi Tutlle, Madisyn Scarborough, and Zoe Clay. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)





We believe that electricity exists, because the electric company keeps sending us bills for it - but we cannot figure out how it travels inside wires. -- DAVE BARRY

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### **New Home** LUNCH MENU

September 20-24 Monday: Breakfast: Breakfast pizza/Yogurt; Lunch: Burger/Oven fried chicken Tuesday: Breakfast: French toast/Crackers; Lunch: Grilled cheese/Quesadilla

Wednesday:Breakfast: Sandwich/parfait; Lunch: French Bread Pizza/Spaghetti bowl

Thursday: Breakfast: Pancake wrap/Breakfast bread; Lunch: Mexican plate combo/ Asian bowl

Friday: Breakfast: Cinnamon Roll/Cereal; Lunch: Pizza/Cheeseburger macaroni

## One person injured in traffic accident

### by JUANELL JONES

Two traffic accidents, one a two-vehicle accident with one injury, and one involving striking a deer, were in law reports for the past week.

On Friday, Sept. 10, a twovehicle accident occurred at about 9:20 p.m. on US 84 near Southland, with Lynn County EMS, Lynn County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) and DPS dispatched to the scene. EMS reportedly transported one person for medical treatment to a Lubbock hospital. No vehicle or driver information was available

At 9:15 Sunday; Sept. 12, a woman called LSCO to report her vehicle had struck a deer about 4 miles south of FM 211 on FM 1054, but she was not injured. Her vehicle had some damage on the front end, but was drivable, she told officers, and she just wanted a report for insurance purposes.

At 8 a.m. Sunday, a caller to LCSO said his house was being broken into on CR 1, and he was seeing them on his cameras, but that his camera viewing had a 5-minute delay. He described two males that left the scene in a silver Honda, but officers were unable to locate the vehicle.

O'Donnell Volunteer Fire Dept. responded to a brush fire at 4:29 p.m. Sept. 11, in a pasture at FM 2053 and CR 1. The fire was extinguished, but reignited three hours later, with OVFD called out again at 7 p.m.

Wilson VFD responded to a report of an abandoned vehicle on fire in a backyard in the 800 block of Green Ave. in Wilson at 8 p.m. Sept. 8.

A man driving a tractor said he was shot at, according to a LCSO call sheet report at 6:17 p.m. on Sept. 10. LCSO received a 9-1-1 call from a man who said he had been driving his tractor on CR 3 when a man driving a Ford pickup stopped

him. He told LCSO that when he got out of the tractor, the man pointed a gun at him and shot at him, but missed. No one was injured, and deputies located the male suspect for questioning. The investigation is ongoing.

The LCSO Chief Deputy stopped a vehicle on S. 3rd and Ave. K in Tahoka at 12:34 p.m. Sept. 10, arresting four females and one male on outstanding warrants, possession of a controlled substance, and tampering with evidence.

A man reported that a former employee had stolen items from his barn at a location on CR 1, on Sept. 10, and LCSO was investigating the incident. On Sept. 7, LCSO was notified of some drugs found at New Home ISD, and a deputy met with school officials and took possession of the narcotics for destruction. The investigation continues.

A woman driving into Tahoka from US 87 north called LCSO at 3:13 p.m. Sept. 8 to report seeing a man holding a vodka bottle laying in the middle of a cotton field. She told officers that a vehicle in front of her had attempted to pick up the male, but he would not go with them. She described the male as wearing black shorts and no shirt. A deputy responding to the area was unable to locate the man.

Other calls to LCSO during the week included a complaint of property damage, abandoned vehicles, suspicious persons, assisting motorists, welfare concerns, one animal call, and debris in roadway.

Lynn County Jail held 26 inmates during the past week, including 4 for Dawson County, and one each for Floyd and Cochran counties.

Tahoka Police Department was busy with mostly minor calls during the week.

A

semi-tractor trailer



Monday: Chicken fajitas, fajita veg., chuck wagon corn, Spanish rice, fruit cocktail Tuesday: Spaghetti w/meat

sauce, Italian veg., broccoli, Autumn Jell-O Wednesday: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, winter blend veg.,

apple fluff Thursday: Oven fried chicken breast, bow tie pasta,

broccoli raisin salad, fruit cocktail Friday: Beef stroganoff, noodles, mixed vegetables, winter fruit cup

traveling westbound on South 4th Street at 2:20 p.m. Monday accidentally pulled down overhead lines when crossing Ave. J, pulling down Poka Lambro telephone lines and poles, and also possibly damaging the roof of an adjacent church when poles were pulled down on top of its roofline. The driver of the commercial vehicle remained at the scene and cooperated with police in the incident.

Other calls during the week were for responding to residential and commercial alarms, all of which were owner/employee error: domestic disturbances; a report of a vehicle striking a parked vehicle on N. 7th Street in which both vehicle owners reportedly agreed upon restitution; and suspicious persons, including a report of someone knocking at a back door of a residence in the 2300 block of Ave. O at 3 a.m. Sept. 14, but police were unable

to locate anyone in the area.



TONYA PRICE, MSN, BSN, RN

### **Tonya Price is new CNO/COO** at Lynn County Healthcare Systems

years of progressive nursing leadership experience, Denton. with 13 of those years as Officer.

from 2019-2020, in was also instrumental in Independent preparing a COVID-19 District.

Tonya Price, MSN, disaster plan. From 2014-BSN, RN is the new Chief 2019 she was Chief Nursing Officer, and Chief Nursing Officer for Texas Operating Officer at Lynn Health -Wilson N Jones, County Healthcare Systems. in Sherman, TX, and held She is an accomplished various other positions with executive with over 15 Baylor Medical Center, and Presbyterian Hospital of

She earned her BS in a hospital Chief Nursing Nursing and Master Science in Nursing Administration Price was previously at University of Texas in Chief Nursing Officers, Arlington. She is a Lynn at County resident, and is Wilbarger General Hospital married to Torrey Price, Vernon, where she Superintendent of Tahoka School



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9-10-2021 Pay To The Tahoka Police Department \$ 1,500 One thousand five hundred dollars - No/100-Donation Happy State Bank FDIC Donation... Happy State Bank in Tahoka, gave a donation to the Tahoka Police Department to purchase equipment. Pictured from left is Tahoka Police Chief, Jeff Parker and Abel Castro, VP Market Development for Happy State Bank. (LCN PHOTO by Pam Elrod) IST AMMUA REAPER RUN 2021 **Starts & Ends at Mini Park** \$25 for Adults #10 for Kids IE: 9/17/21 We will have a 5K along with a 1 mile fun run available for all ages. Contact LCHD Rehab & Fitness at 806-561-134 for more details! FEES WILL CHANGE TO \$30/ADULTS - \$15/KIDS WHEN REGISTERING AFTER THE DEADLINE. LATE REGISTRATION WILL NOT RECEIVE A T-SHIRT

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Rough game ... New Home's Ashton Lucio (#16) picks up good yardage in a hard-fought game against the Cowboys of Plains at New Home Friday night, with the Leopards winning their Homecoming game 47-8. Braxton Beck (#60) and Brody Emert (#5) help with the blocking. #13 in the back is quarterback Caleb Cook. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

# Harvest Festival ...

(Continued from page 1)

A 5K and a 1-mile fun for the Harvest Festival 1st run will be available for all Annual Reaper Run 2021 that ages, with both routes starting will be held early on Saturday, and ending at the Mini Park. Sept. 25. The event starts at There is an entry fee. For more 7:30 a.m. at the Tahoka Mini information or to register, call Park, sponsored by Lynn the LCHD Rehab & Fitness County Healthcare Systems center at 806-561-1340.

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Rehab & Fitness Center.

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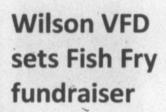
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a.m. on the second and fourth Mondays of each month.

**Commissioners** ...

A holiday calendar for 2022 was approved, and monthly bills were approved and John Hawthorne. for payment.

The meeting adjourned at of the courthouse, at 9:30 10:15 a.m. County Judge Mike Braddock presided, with all four county commissioners present including Don Blair, Larry Durham, Matt Woodley,



Fire Dept. has scheduled their 8th Annual Fish Fry and Raffle for Sunday, Sept. 26.

from 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at by businesses that report tax the Wilson ISD Cafeteria, monthly, 1411 Green Ave. in Wilson.

drink.

# Leopards cruise to homecoming win

### by GARY JONES

The New Home Leopards came out Friday night during their Homecoming game hitting on all cylinders against the Plains Cowboys. The Leopards' defense shut down the strong running game of Plains for a 47-8 victory.

Quarterback Caleb Cook had a fantastic night of throwing the football to five different receivers for 330 yards and five touchdowns.

Cook attempted 33 passes and completed 20 in the victory. The running game was split between four young men for a total of 118 yards on the ground. Caleb Cook 11 yards, Ashton Lucio 49, Alex Vitolas 45 and Nevin Mojica had 13.

Next for the Leopards is a game at Floydada, where the Whirlwinds are 1-2 for the season.

Floydada won their last game over Smyer 34-8.



Can't catch me ... New Home's Alex Vitolas (#21) outruns a Plains Cowboy in action at Friday night's Homecoming game. The Leopards won 47-8. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

# Cities, county get monthly sales tax allocations

Hegar announced he will was \$2,119.11, based on a send cities, counties, transit 1-cent sales tax rate, making systems and special purpose the total payment to date taxing districts \$925.1 million \$22,707.12. The Wilson Volunteer in local sales tax allocations for September, 20.9 percent payment for the month was more than in September \$2,207.18, based on a 1-cent 2020. These allocations are sales tax rate, making the total The fundraiser will be based on sales made in July payment to date \$19,094.10.

Lynn County's net Adult plates will be \$10, payment for the month was and child plates are \$5. They \$14,563.21, based on a half- • At 4,101 feet, Mt. Thor will serve fried catfish with cent sales tax rate, making all the fixings, dessert and the total payment to date \$126.229.26.

Texas Comptroller Glenn net payment for the month

The City of Wilson's net

Did you know?



In the desert ... Vondell and Kent Elliott (right) of Tahoka visited friends Larry and Candy Kinkaid in Arizona, and visited the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum in Tucson, AZ, taking their Lynn County News with them. The News is 630 miles from home.



A special gun raffle is dinner.

the Wilson Volunteer Fire the Dept.

 Pluto's average distance from the Sun is 3,670,050,000 miles.

The City of Tahoka's net also offered, with details payment for the month was and purchase available at the \$20,591.83, based on a 1.5cent sales tax rate (including All proceeds will benefit a half-cent collection for Tahoka Economic Development Corporation), making the total payment to date \$191,482.03.

The City of O'Donnell's Singapore.

on Baffin Island, Canada, has Earth's greatest sheer vertical drop.

 With 94% identical DNA, Chimpanzees are the closest living relatives to humans.

 Tootsie Rolls were used as part of the rations for World War II soldiers.

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Fast Track Clinic **DUE TO INCREASE OF** PATIENTS, YOU MUST **CALL FOR AN APPOINTMENT.** 806-561-4802 Monday - Friday 7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Closed for lunch from 11:30-12:30 2600 Lockwood Suite C

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Welcome Judge McAuley ... Lynn County Sheriff Wanda Mason (left) and some of her staff members welcomed JT McAuley (center) as the new Tahoka Municipal Judge, at a reception hosted by the City of Tahoka last week. Other LCSO staff here are, from left, School Truancy Prevention Officer/Deputy Brent Meyer, Chief Deputy Derek Hester, and Deputy Julio Espinosa III. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

Thank you! ... **City Administrator** Julie Arrington (left) presented a gift basket to Edward Smith, former **Municipal Judge for** the City of Tahoka, and thanked him for his service, during a reception held here last Thursday. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)



# Area News ... reprinted from area newspapers

### **Bicyclist's finish legendary following mishap**

ANDREWS - Strate Colbath's determination, perseverance and desire within to complete a lengthy annual bicycle race in Wichita Falls last weekend were unquestionable. Nothing was going to stop Colbath from crossing that finish line.

# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

### PUBLIC NOTICE **Explanatory Statements for the November 2, 2021 Constitutional Amendment Election**

**Proposition Number 1** (HJR 143)

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#### **Proposition Number 4** (SJR 47)

SJR 47 proposes a constitutional amendment changing certain eligibility requirements for a justice of the Supreme Court, a judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals, a justice of a court of appeals, and a district judge. The proposed amendment provides that a person is eligible to serve on the Supreme Court if the person, among other qualifications, is licensed to practice law in Texas; is a resident of Texas at the time of election; has been either a practicing lawyer licensed in Texas for at least ten years or a practicing lawyer licensed in Texas and a judge of a state court or county court established by the legislature for a combined total of at least ten years; and during that time has not had the person's license to practice law revoked, suspended, or subject to a probated suspension. The same eligibility requirements would apply to a judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals and to a justice of a court of appeals. The proposed amendment further provides that to be eligible for appointment or election as a district judge, a person must be a resident of Texas; be licensed to practice law in Texas; and have been a practicing lawyer or a judge of a court in Texas, or both combined, for eight years preceding the person's election, during which time the person's license to practice law has not been revoked, suspended, or subject to a probated suspension.

### **Proposition Number 6** (SJR 19)

SJR 19 proposes a constitutional amendment establishing that residents of certain facilities have the right to designate an essential caregiver with whom the facility may not prohibit in-person visitation, The proposed amendment would apply to a nursing facility, assisted living facility, intermediate care facility for individuals with an intellectual disability, residence providing home and community-based services, or state supported living center. The proposed amendment also would authorize the legislature to provide guidelines for these facilities to follow in establishing essential caregiver visitation policies and procedures.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment establishing a right for residents of certain facilities to designate an essential caregiver for in-person visitation."

#### **Proposition Number 7** (HJR 125)

HJR 125 proposes a constitutional amendment permitting a person who is 55 years of age or older at the time of death of their spouse who is receiving a limitation on school district property taxes on their residence homestead on the basis of a disability to continue receiving the limitation while the property remains the surviving spouse's resi-

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thorizing the professional sports team charitable foundations of organizations sanctioned by the **Professional Rodeo Cow**boys Association or the Women's Professional Rodeo Association to conduct charitable raffles at

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**Proposition Number 2** (HJR 99)

HJR 99 proposes a constitutional amendment allowing the legislature to authorize a county to issue bonds or notes to finance the development or redevelopment of an unproductive, underdeveloped, or blighted area within the county and to pledge for repayment of those bonds or notes increases in property tax revenues imposed on property in the area by the county. The Texas Constitution gives the legislature the power to authorize an incorporated city or town to issue such bonds or notes but does not expressly give the legislature the power to grant that same authority to counties. The proposed amendment also provides that a county that issues bonds or notes for transportation improvements may not pledge for the repayment of those bonds or notes more than 65 percent of the increases in ad valorem tax revenues each year, and a county may not use proceeds from the bonds or notes to finance the construction, operation, maintenance, or acquisition of rights-of-way of a toll

Not even a nasty fall from his bike three miles from the end of the 100-mile race.

A punctured and collapsed lung, broken shoulder and three broken ribs didn't deter him. Neither did a bicycle that was banged up from the mishap.

Colbath still finished.

Not only did he complete the race, but he finished 59th out of 325 in his 45-49 age group with a stellar time of 5:25.03 - even after losing a half hour repairing his bike.

Thousands of bicyclists from all over competed in the annual race

-- from the Andrews County News

#### Tree-trimming competition combines safety, fun

SLATON - Drivers going down 9th Street in Slaton last Friday may have been a little concerned about all the yellow tape on the City Hall square, especially with a human shaped figure in one of the trees, and lots of people in yellow shirts.

No crime had been committed - Hildebrandt Tree Tech was using the practice dummy as well as competing in several tree trimming contests, in a local contest.

Casey Hildebrandt, owner of the company, said it was a local tree climbing competition, and they were happy to host it in Slaton — they had just spent the early part of August trimming the trees on the square.

"We were blessed with the opportunity to have actually pruned all these trees this summer, and my brother was talking to the appropriate parties here to have the contest," he said.

The contestants participate in several competitions including throw line, speed climbing, speed delay, saw cutting, aerial rescue and SRT. Contestants used an ax, pole saw and other items to ring a bell in the tree after being secure.

All workers get paid to be at the event as well to get the training while competing.

"Not only is it fun and helps boost morale, but it also increases skill sets and makes them better on their job day to day," said Hildebrandt.

The top three scoring contestants now go to State and possibly to the international contest, this year to be held in Switzerland.

-- from The Slatonite

### Legislators pass bill to prohibit

#### high-level waste coming to Andrews

ANDREWS - State legislators passed a bill recently that prevents high-level radioactive waste coming to Waste Control Specialists' (WCS) site in Andrews County.

State Rep. Brooks Landgraf initially filed House Bill 7 last month during a special legislature session. A second special session was convened after a group of Democrats fled the state last month to prolong the passage of election legislation.

A quorum was recently met, and the high-level waste legislation passed in both the House and Senate. Members of the Andrews County Commissioners court apparently traveled to Austin last week during its passage.

The commissioners court in recent weeks adopted a resolution opposing high-level radioactive waste for Andrews County as well, shifting from a previous court resolution supporting WCS' application through the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

-- from the Andrews County News

### Woman has surprise encounter

#### with python in her bathroom

ANDREWS - Patty Tidwell's first up-close encounter with a live snake couldn't have come at a worse time.

A still-groggy Tidwell woke up at her northeast Andrews residence about 3:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 3, and headed to the bathroom. She was likely still half-asleep and in no way ready or prepared for what was about to happen.

If she wasn't alert after just awaking at that early morning hour, her encounter with a python that somehow ventured into her bathroom through the sewer systems surely got the juices flowing.

Tidwell walked into the bathroom and witnessed a ball python slithering atop the back of the toilet and part of the sink.

-- from the Andrews County News

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing a county to finance the development or redevelopment of transportation or infrastructure in unproductive, underdeveloped, or blighted areas in the county."

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#### **Proposition Number 3** (SJR 27)

SJR 27 proposes a conamendment stitutional barring the State of Texas or a political subdivision from enacting, adopting, or issuing a statute, order, proclamation, decision, or rule that prohibits or limits religious services. The proposed amendment would apply to religious services, including those conducted in churches, congregations, and places of worship, in the state by a religious organization established to support and serve the prop-

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment changing the eligibility requirements for a justice of the supreme court, a judge of the court of criminal appeals, a justice of a court of appeals, and a district judge."

#### **Proposition Number 5** (HJR 165)

HJR 165 proposes a constitutional amendment allowing the State Commission on Judicial Conduct (SCJC) to accept complaints or reports, conduct investigations, and take any other authorized action with respect to a candidate for a state judicial office. Currently, the Texas Constitution only permits the SCJC to take such actions as to persons holding a judicial office.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing additional powers to the State Commission on Judicial Conduct with respect to candidates for judicial office."

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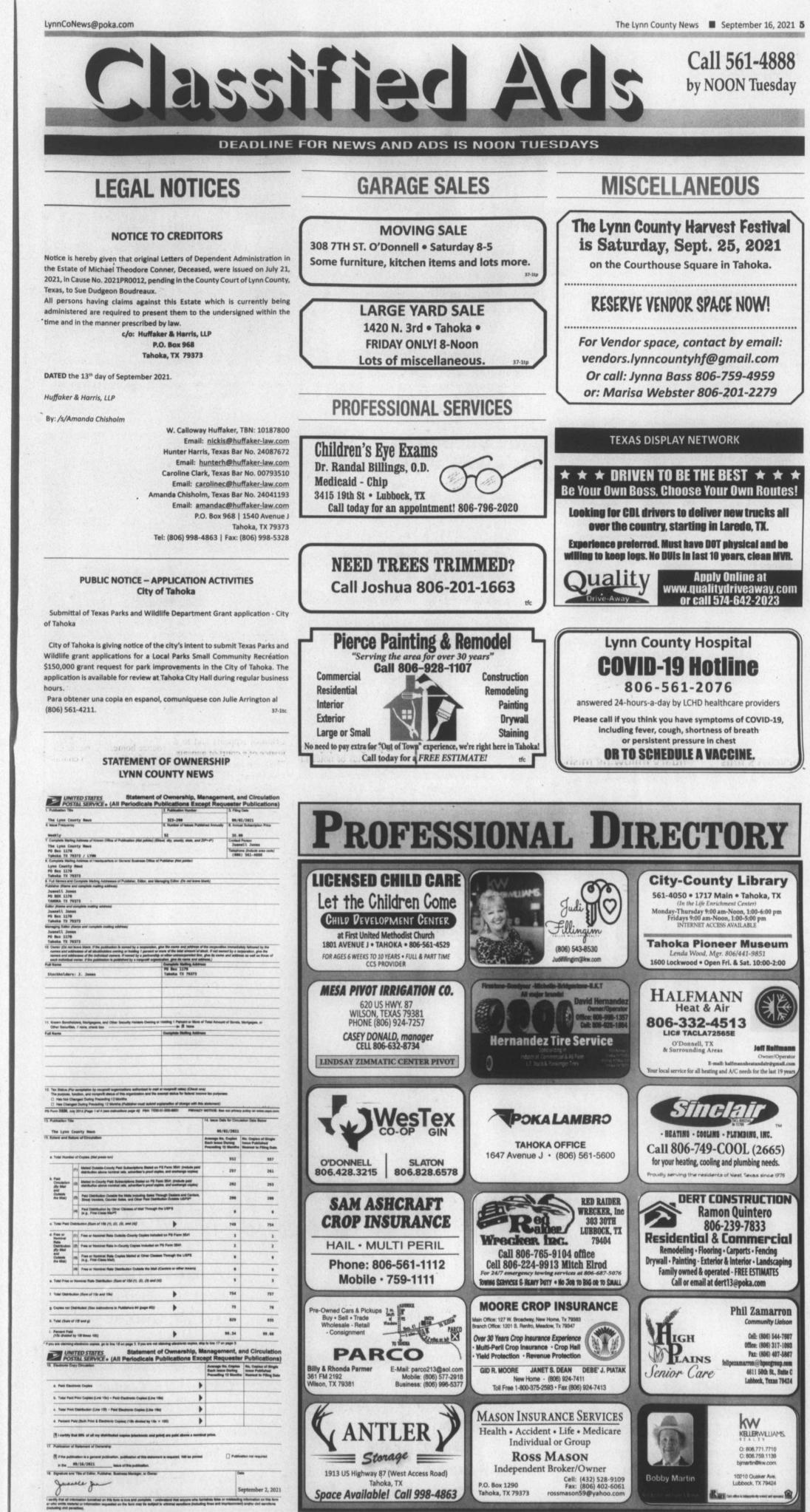
The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to allow the surviving spouse of a person who is disabled to receive a limitation on the school district ad valorem taxes on the spouse's residence homestead if the spouse is 55 years of age or older at the time of the person's death."

#### **Proposition Number 8** (SJR 35)

SJR 35 proposes a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a member of the United States armed services who is killed or fatally injured in the line of duty. The Texas Constitution provides a property tax exemption to the surviving spouse of a member of the armed services who is killed in action, but the current exemption does not include members of the military who die during their service due to injuries sustained that are not combat-related.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a member of the armed services of the United States who is killed or fatally injured in the line of duty."

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### **Roosevelt pounds on** scoreless Bulldogs

The Tahoka Bulldogs were Overstreet. outgunned and outmatched in with Lubbock Roosevelt, Crosbtyon. with the Eagles racking up 8 touchdowns while holding we are very familiar with but the Bulldogs scoreless in their will get us out of our element 53-0 win, in the Bulldogs first from the last two weeks. They road game of the season. On will spread you out and will top of the tough loss, Tahoka run and pass the ball," said also lost three players to Coach Overstreet. "The last injuries suffered in the game. two weeks the game has been

scored another 18 points in These guys will look to throw quarter, took the Eagles past have to be able to defend the night. Roosevelt had 407 total to expect to see another group while holding Tahoka to 50.

"The Roosevelt game was a tough one to swallow," Overstreet.

"I always say I like to play good people to see what we are made of so we don't have a false sense of hope when it really matters. The thing that has really hindered us this year and especially after this past week is injuries. We lost three guys the other night and we had three out due to injury or sickness even before the game. We started five freshmen on offense the other night, and I felt like they all did a good job.

"The biggest thing for them is just gaining that confidence, and believing that they can win. I felt like too many times the other night we looked at the scoreboard and got our heads down. I tell them all the time each week is part of the process. We are trying to lay bricks down to build a foundation for what we want to accomplish come October and November. We have shown glimpses of being a good football team but just can't keep all the pieces of the puzzle on the field at the same

The Bulldogs will hit the Friday night's football faceoff road again this week, to face

"This is another opponent The Eagles scored three played within the box and TDs in the first quarter, then running the ball downhill. three touchdown runs in the the ball downfield but also second, leading 39-0 at the like to use their very talented half. Two more TDs, one in quarterback to run the zone the third and one in the final read stuff. We are going to the 50-point mark for the entire field and we will have offensive yards, all rushing, who wants to bring pressure from the defensive side.

"I hope to see everyone out Friday night in Crosbyton admits Head Coach Stephen reminding these kids that they have the best fans, cheerleaders, and band on the South Plains cheering them on," added the coach.

### **Area News**

### O'Donnell ISD Board

considers new tax rate O'DONNELL -O'Donnell school board members last Thursday approved the 2021-22 budget, but tabled action on a proposed tax increase of almost eight cents.

The budget includes \$4,560,238 in expenditures, and \$4,56661,287 in anticipated revenue.

The current tax rate is \$1.38140 per \$100 of property valuation. Facing a drop in property values, the board considered increasing the tax rate to \$1.46580.

"I guess they just wanted to have more discussion," said Supt. Dr. Cathy Palmer.

The board has until Sept.

teams had another good girls finished 15th out of 36 of 21:22. Ethan Alvarado put total teams but finished 3rd forth another solid effort, out of the 10 teams at the 2A finishing with a time of 21:50. level. Amy Tew and Lillian Morrissey both continued Country competes again this their outstanding seasons. Saturday, Sept. 18 in Big Amy Tew finished in 16th out Spring at the Eric Stinson of 269 competitors with a time

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of 13:10, Lillian Morrissey finished in 34th with a time of 13:28

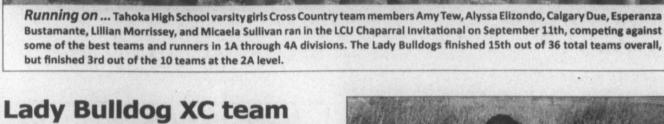
### Tahoka cross country Coach Derrick Morrissey. The Varsity Boys also showing, at the ' LCU put in a solid effort against Chaparral Invitational on 271 runners from some of September 11th, competing the best teams in the region against some of the best teams out of the 1A to 6A division. and runners in 1A through Jesus Liendo made his season 4A divisions. The varsity debut and finished with a time

Tahoka Bulldog Cross

Invitational.

#### Junior High XC

The Junior High Girls showed a lot of toughness and Calgary Due made her running potential at the LCU varsity debut this week invitational, showing great finishing with a time of improvement from last week at 15:21 and a 121st place a more difficult course against finish, Micaela Sullivan a field of 362 other runners. and Esperanza Bustamante Marlee Stone and Aubrey 30 to adopt a tax rate. Dr. continued gaining valuable Hadderton led the team with varsity racing experience times of 16:18 and 16:49 finished with a time of 17:41. a time of 17:52, according to Klaire Gill showed incredible



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Moving up ... Tahoka High School freshman Calgary Due made her varsity debut with a time of 15:21 in the LCU Chaparral Invitational Cross Country Meet on September 11. Varsity girls run a two-mile event.



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time. If we can get everyone healthy and back on the field together we have a really solid core to build around," stated

Palmer expects they will take later this month. -- from the Lamesa Press-

action at their next meeting finishing with times of 16:45 respectively. Ariel Castaneda and 16:47 respectively. Alyssa Elizondo showed a lot of heart Natalie Stone made her season Reporter in a gutsy performance with debut with a time of 18:01 and

toughness with a time of 21:15. Eric Gomez had an excellent race, improving on

15:32.

Tahoka Junior High will race in their final seasonal meet before district this his time from last week with a .Saturday in Big Spring at the Eric Stinson Invitational.

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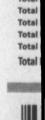
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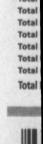
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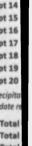


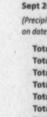
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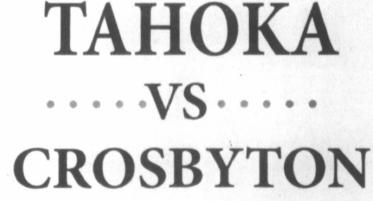




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