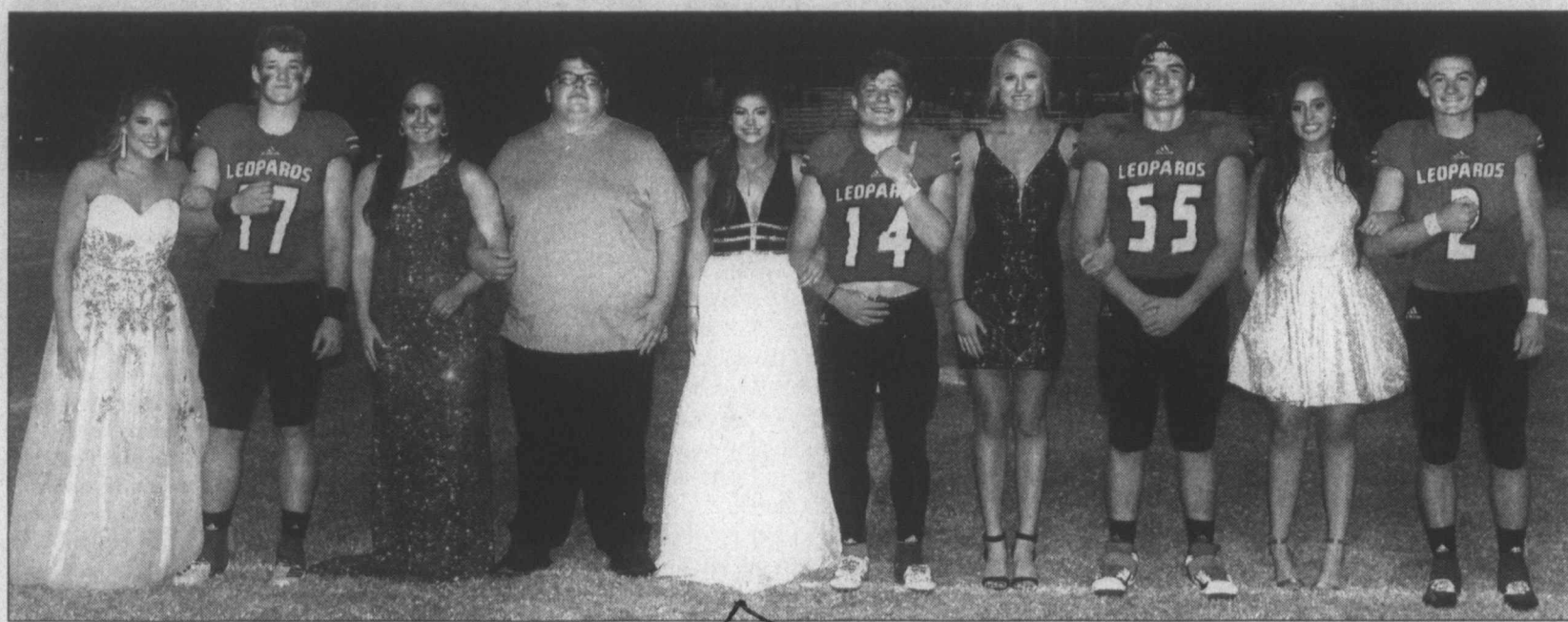




Leopard Homecoming

Pictured here is the 2019 Homecoming Court for New Home ISD. Jeremiah Wandell-Perez and Kyle Gill were named King and Queen during Friday night ceremonies. They are, from left, attendants Darby Sherwood and Bode Stewart; and candidates Kamryn Lucas, Jeremiah Wandell-Perez (King), Kerrigan Grantham, Blake Buckelew, Kyle Gill (Queen), Brett Gauger, Ashlyn Ballard and Kaleb LeClair.

(LCN PHOTO by Abraham Vega)



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Did you know?

• Earth has a spare tire! Just like you or me, the planet has a waistline—and it bulges a bit around the middle. Adding to this is the melting ice from Antarctica and Greenland, which adds water to the oceans that are pulled toward the equator.

THIS WEEK IN FOOTBALL

FRIDAY, SEPT. 20

- Littlefield at Tahoka
- New Home at Hamlin
- Wilson at Jayton
- Petersburg at O'Donnell

FRIDAY NIGHT SCOREBOARD

Tahoka 28-24 Brownfield
New Home 69-6 Plains
Klondike 66-18 Wilson
Ropes 44-32 O'Donnell

What's Outside

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Sept 10	84	69	
Sept 11	87	67	
Sept 12	88	66	
Sept 13	91	62	0.15"
Sept 14	83	63	
Sept 15	90	65	
Sept 16	91	64	

(Precipitation/temps measured as of 7 a.m. on date reported, for the previous 24-hr period)

Total Precip for Jan:	0.00"
Total Precip for Feb:	0.00"
Total Precip for Mar:	1.59"
Total Precip for Apr:	3.37"
Total Precip for May:	3.32"
Total Precip for June:	1.63"
Total Precip for July:	0.05"
Total Precip for Aug:	1.02"
Total Precip for Sept:	0.33"
Total Precip. for 2019:	11.31"



BY JUANELL JONES

Following a two-year historical renovation during which all county offices relocated to temporary facilities, this week the county offices began moving back into the newly-restored Lynn County Courthouse. County business will be conducted as quickly as each office organizes, and county officials ask that citizens be patient during

the transition. The county courthouse will be open to the public later this week. Some of the offices will be in different locations of the courthouse than previously.

Early this week, on Monday and Tuesday, the offices of the adult and juvenile probation office, county treasurer, and county clerk's office and records were being moved

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Courthouse reopening ... County offices moving back into courthouse this week

Lynn County Office locations in the County Courthouse:

BASEMENT LEVEL	FIRST FLOOR	SECOND FLOOR
• County Judge	• County Clerk	• District Courtroom
• County Attorney	• County Records	• District Judge
• Adult Probation	• County Treasurer	THIRD FLOOR
• Juvenile Probation	• County Courtroom	• District Clerk

Patriot Day

Ceremonies invoke 9-11 memories, honor American military members

September 11, 2019 was the day for unveiling a special monument in Tahoka, with ceremonies slated for 10 a.m. After a brief welcome, however, the Tahoka fire whistle sounded eerily for a long moment at 10:03 a.m., in memory of the South Tower collapsing at the World Trade Center on 9-11-01, a defining moment of American history that changed so many lives. It was Patriot Day, and a large crowd had gathered at the Eagle of Honor Veterans Memorial on the Lynn County Courthouse grounds in Tahoka for the unveiling and dedication ceremonies. But before all of the speeches, before the unveiling, before the hoisting of the American flag – everyone silently bowed their heads in respect as the siren sounded, on the 18th anniversary of the terrorist attacks that claimed the lives of almost 3,000 people at the World Trade Center, Pentagon and on United Airlines Flight 93. It was a moment that reminded American citizens to preserve the memory of its thousands of victims and to honor its heroes.

The Patriot Day ceremonies in Tahoka not only honored those whose lives were lost, but also its many heroes – firemen, EMS, law enforcement, and the thousands upon thousands of military servicemen and women, both past, present and future, who stand firm to protect America and its citizens.

It was a very moving ceremony, with some shedding discreet tears during the heartspoken speeches of veterans, or as the National Anthem was beautifully sung during the unveiling of an amazing bronze Eagle wrapped in an American flag standing four feet above the podium at the center of the memorial, or during the 21-gun salute followed by the solemn playing of Taps by a lone trumpeter.

Ronnie Greer, a Lynn County native who now lives in Lubbock County, had come to the Patriot Day ceremony bearing a framed story and photos about his relatives – six Banks brothers and their father, all former Lynn County residents, all of whom served at the same time during World War II. Six of them returned from war. One went down with his ship.

"I wanted to take a picture with the American Eagle of Honor," said Greer. "I also have two

(See **EAGLE OF HONOR**, page 3)



Majestic symbol of freedom ... A bronze American Eagle, draped in the U.S. flag, is the centerpiece of the Eagle of Honor Veterans Memorial on the grounds of the Lynn County Courthouse in Tahoka. A brick wall curves behind the eagle, featuring plaques of the military branches, and flags representing the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, and POW/MIA stand beneath a taller U.S. flag. It was the site of a Patriot Day ceremony last Wednesday, with the official unveiling and dedication of the memorial.

(LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)



Did you know?

Did you know that shark attacks threaten the Internet? Apparently, sharks have shown an inexplicable taste for the new fiber-optic cables that are being strung along the ocean floor linking the United States, Europe, and Japan.

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County offices move back ...

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from 1627 Ave. K, where they had been located for the two-year restoration project. Phone lines and computer networking systems are being installed as quickly as possible, but there may be some delays in conducting business during the transition period.

Mid-week, the offices of the county attorney and county judge were scheduled to move from 1524 Harper Street in to the basement level of the courthouse. The district clerk's office and district records will be moved to the third floor of the courthouse early next week.

Phone lines were being transferred to cell phones during the transition, but again, there may be some delays in conducting business.

"We are working to get set up as quickly as possible, and ask for your patience and understanding during this transition period," said a county official.

Obituaries



Fern Ellen Childress

Fern Ellen Childress (Ma Fern), 83 of Tahoka passed away Monday, September 9, 2019. She was born May 25, 1936 to Cleave and Jewel (Minor) Bairrington in Tahoka, Texas. Fern graduated from O Donnell High School. She married the love of her life, Elton Childress on August 15, 1952 in Tatum, New Mexico.

A lifelong resident of Lynn County, she was a farm wife for many years before going to work for Lynn County as a jailer in 1988. She worked in the jail as a jailer and finally as a jail administrator from 1998 until her retirement in 2013. Fern was a member of the First Baptist Church in O Donnell.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Cleve and Jewel Bairrington; her husband, Elton Childress; one son, Scotty Childress and five brothers.

Those left to cherish her memory are two daughters, Connie (Bobby) Jordan of Slaton and Toye (Kris) Harmon of Tahoka; two sons, Rex (Patricia) Childress of Winnboro and Joe (Jill) Childress of Lubbock; one brother, Ronnie Bairrington of Weatherford; one sister, Susie Bairrington of Dallas; 13 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

Celebration of Life services were held on Wednesday, September 11, 2019 at 2 PM at First Baptist Church of Tahoka with interment at Tahoka Cemetery.

Pallbearers were grandsons Cameron Childress, Curtis Childress, Shiloh Childress, Justin Cogburn, Jordan Cogburn, Tyler Jordan, Jerrod Childress, and Blake Harmon.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorials be made to the American Cancer Society, First Baptist Church of Tahoka or a charity of your choice.

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Aurora Moya Liendo

Aurora Gomez Moya Liendo of Tahoka passed away on Tuesday, September 10, 2019. She was born November 28, 1952 in Alief, Texas to Manuel and Clara (Gomez) Moya. She grew up in the Houston area and later moved to Tahoka where she settled and raised her family. She was married to Jesse Fuentes for 18 years. She was a member of St. Jude Catholic Church.

Aurora is preceded in death by her parents, brother, Johnny Moya, and granddaughter, Dahlia Onofre.

Those left to cherish her memory are her children Rose Marie Rivera (Pedro), Sonia Rodriguez (Fred Rosas), Hope Moya Liendo, Jose Manuel Rodriguez and Jesus Moya Liendo (Lisa Segovia Liendo); stepson, Larry Lee Fuentes; siblings, Lupe Moya, Joe Moya and Yolanda Moya; 22 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Rosary was held Friday, September 13, 2019 at 6 p.m. at Combest Family Funeral Homes. Services were held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, September 14, 2019 at St. Jude Catholic Church with interment to at Nevels Memorial Cemetery.

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Leslie Eden Williams

Leslie "Eden" Williams, 44, of Tahoka passed away Tuesday, September 10, 2019.

She was born January 6, 1975 to Richard and Glenda (Jackson) Williams in Post. Eden graduated from Tahoka High School in 1993. She married Charles "Scott" Williams, he preceded her in death December 10, 2016. Eden was only a few credits short of receiving her degree in business from Texas Tech University. She worked at TTU ISOA and for several companies in business administration and sales. Eden was a member of Heart of Worship Baptist Church in Lubbock.

Those left to cherish her memory are her parents; her

daughter, London Kenadee Williams; sons, Bryan Wesley Yell-Williams, Cooper Wayne Williams, Tyler Scott Williams; brother, Dallas Wayne Williams and his children, Rickishaee Garren and children, and Stasha Williams; sister, Georgia Williams Reed and husband Jacob and their children, Claire, Sophie, and Isaac Reed; two grandchildren, Isaac Scott Williams, Elijah Lynn Williams; and daughter-in-law, Kat Williams.

A memorial service was held at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, September 15, 2019 at Heart of Worship Baptist Church.

A memorial fund for the children has been set up in Eden's name at Wells Fargo Bank.

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Letters to the Editor

Eagle of Honor Veterans Memorial

Words can not express the gratitude the Eagle of Honor Project committee has for the citizens, businesses, schools and everyone that had a hand in fundraising, building, and celebrating the Eagle of Honor Veterans Memorial Project.

The Patriot Day ceremony was an amazing day that did exactly what it was supposed to do - show honor, respect, gratitude and acknowledgement of the sacrifices our military and our first responders have made. The memorial will stand as a lasting tribute to those service members who answer the call to defend our freedoms and our country's democracy.

It is because of our community's efforts that this project happened and it is with heart filled gratitude that those of you who were able to attend showed utmost respect, love and appreciation to our veterans. The Lynn County News has done a remarkable job in news coverage of the fundraising and building of the memorial, the community owes you a debt of gratitude.

The committee wants the community to know that once we work through some electrical issues, the memorial will be lit up and the flags and eagle will be on full display 24 hours a day, and we thank you for your patience.

Finally, as many of you are aware, the military flags will not endure the weather and will be required to be replaced about every two to three months. Fresh flowers will also be replaced as needed. And during holidays like Memorial Day, 4th of July, Patriot's Day, Veteran's Day and days of national crisis, roses will adorn the memorial. If you feel like you would like to contribute, the Eagle of Honor/Veterans Memorial account will remain open at the First National Bank of Tahoka, and will be used for the upkeep and maintenance of the Memorial.

Thank all you one again for your support, thank you to our amazing veterans, and May God Bless You and May God Bless America.

Eagle of Honor Committee



Smith honored ... A granite marker honoring the late Charles A. Smith was placed in New Home during the Quannah Parker Day ceremonies on Sept. 14. The marker reads "Sculpted 2003 by Charles A. Smith for Gid Moore to honor Longfellow's 'The Arrow & The Song,' and inspired 88 Quannah Parker Trail Arrows, 2011-18." The marker is beside the arrow at Gid Moore Insurance Co.

NEW HOME HAPPENINGS
by Denise Sherrod

Charles A. Smith Honored for Quannah Parker Arrows

In 2003, Gid Moore came up with the idea of a park for New Home. A park isn't really that surprising, but Mr. Moore's green space would be centered on art and literacy. For his first exhibit, he wanted something to represent Henry Wadsworth Longfellow's poem "The Arrow and the Song." While having lunch in the cafe one day, he told New Home native and artist Charles Smith about his idea. Smith was immediately on board, and they agreed that a larger-than-life arrow would be a perfect symbol of the poem. Smith crafted the arrow, and they placed it near Moore's insurance office in New Home.

What does this have to do with Quannah Parker, arguably the most famous Comanche warrior and chief in history? In 2011, Dr. Holle Humphries of Texas Tech University and Carol Campbell of the Historical Commission of Motley County were driving through New Home when they saw the arrow. They were already trying to find a way to commemorate Quannah Parker and the Comanches' place in Texas history, and the arrow seemed an appropriate marker to show the trails that Quannah and his people had traveled throughout this area. After discovering the name of the arrow's creator, they met with Charles Smith, and he agreed to provide the arrows for what would become the Quannah Parker Trail.

Eight years and 88 arrows later, Governor Abbot declared September 14 as Quannah Parker Day. Last Saturday, Charles A. Smith was honored posthumously for his contribution to the Quannah Parker Trail. First on the agenda was a program at the New Home Baptist Church describing Quannah Parker's life and the process of getting the arrows made and placed in 52 Texas counties. Special guests for the program were members of Quannah Parker's family, including his great-great granddaughter,

Brynlee Sharp; her father, Aaron Sharp; her grandmother, Debbie Parker Sharp, and her great-aunt, Tracy Parker.

During that time, Sandra Laws of the Lynn County Historical Society presented the Smith family a plaque, which honored Charles Smith's contribution to the Quannah Parker Trail. Some members of the Smith family who were present were his son Tracy and grandson Landon. Landon played a key role in placing several of the arrows to his grandfather's artistic and exacting specifications.

Following the program at the church, the group reconvened at Gid Moore Insurance on the corner of Main and Broadway in New Home, where a marker, describing the origin of the prototype arrow, and a granite pedestal were unveiled. Bruce Parker, the great-great-grandson of Quannah, officiated at this portion of the ceremony. After the unveiling, he and three other members of the Parker family performed a Cedar Smoke Blessing of the Arrow. In addition to honoring Quannah Parker and Charles A. Smith, the program was a tribute to the dedication and hard work of the volunteers who will not let Texas history fade.

For more information on the Quannah Parker Trail, go to QuannahParkerTrail.com. A book published in 2011, *Empire of the Summer Moon* by S. C. Gwynne, is an interesting and informative look at Quannah Parker and the Comanches.

New Home City Council Meeting

The New Home City Council will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, September 24 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall. Residents are welcome to attend. For more information, call 806-924-7514.

New Home Community Library

The New Home Community Library is open for business! Come by during City Hall business hours (8-5, M-F), or check out the Little Free Library outside City Hall. The library is a work-in-progress, but the books are ready to read!

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TAHOKA LAKE PASTURE HISTORY... DID YOU KNOW???



Every October, long before there were calendars, very, very long before that, multi-thousands of Sand Hill Crane left their breeding grounds often inside the Arctic Circle and Northern Russia and fly to TLP where they roost at night and fly out each morning to find food. Often family groups will send out scouts to find the best site to feed, then large groups will leave the lake. Cranes mate for life. If two are seen flying together, they are a permanent pair. If there are 3 in a group, one is an offspring that is being taught what it needs to know before they all leave in March to return to the far north.

Text Only: 806-535-5147

Lynn County Educators, Clubs, Civic Organizations, & Residents:

Please help us care for this God-given treasure.

Our biggest deficit at this time is communication because electronic and even landline phone service is erratic at TLP. Text and mail are our best ways:

Mail: Tahoka Lake Pasture, 883 FM 400, Wilson, TX 79381-2160



Eagle of Honor ...

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grandchildren who are currently serving in the military. Generations of our family have given a lot to our country, and this memorial means a lot," he said.

Many veterans and their families were seated in front of the memorial for the ceremonies. Some of them brought mementos that had special meaning to them. Some of them shed tears. Many could be heard expressing their appreciation for the new memorial that honored their service to their country.

The veterans who spoke during the ceremonies all had different memories and experiences, but all shared their appreciation not only for the memorial that so beautifully reminds citizens that America's military stands firm for them, but also expressed their appreciation for the support of their families, friends and communities who so staunchly supported them. And, above all, they spoke of their deep and abiding honor to have served their country.

Guest speakers included veterans Malcolm Chancy, who served in the Gulf War; Kim Billingsley, who served in the Global War on Terrorism, OIF; and Carl Francis, a Green Beret who served in WWII.

Commander Steve Oien spoke about the Military Order of the Purple Heart, and members of the Lubbock VFW participated in the ceremony, hoisting the American flag. Major Cadet Derry, G CO 949 BSB Supply NCO, spoke of remembering the moment he got the call to go to active military duty. SSgt. David Turpin of Lubbock VFW played Taps after a 21-gun salute by members of the Lynn County Sheriff's Office law enforcement.

There was a ceremonial laying of a wreath in honor of the Gold Star Families who lost the life of a loved one while in service, and red roses were laid on the base of the Eagle podium in honor of U.S. military members who gave their lives in duty.

"This is your memorial," said William Schoemann, emcee, and co-chair of the Eagle of Honor Committee. "If you know of someone whose life was given in service to our country, feel free to come and lay a rose in their honor at the base of

the Eagle of Honor. They don't have to be from Lynn County — this memorial is in honor of all Americans who serve," he said.

Extraordinary acapella performances of the National Anthem, God Bless America, and America The Beautiful were given by Coretta Smith, a vocal teacher from the Dallas area who was invited to Tahoka specifically for this event. She had no ties to Tahoka, and had never been here before, but she told Schoemann, "I have performed at many weddings and funerals and other events — but never something as meaningful as this. And I could tell that this meant something to the citizens here."

County Judge Mike Brad-dock, Tahoka Mayor John Baker, and City of O'Donnell representative Bruce Vaughn also gave remarks. Also represented at the ceremony were the Tahoka Volunteer Fire Dept., Lynn County EMS, Tahoka Police, Lynn County Sheriff's Office, Texas Dept. of Transportation troopers, Lubbock VFW, the U.S. Army G CO 949 BSB from Lubbock, and county and city officials. Wilson and Tahoka school districts brought busloads of students to observe the ceremonies, and Lynn County's citizens turned out in force.

The artists who created the bronze eagle, Russ and Penny Christensen of Iowa, traveled here for the unveiling ceremonies as well. Russ said that although he has done more than 20 similar eagles for veterans memorials, this is the first one that is outside the state of Iowa, and the first one that has a colored American flag, explaining that techniques for maintaining colors on bronzes that are outside in the elements had not advanced to this point until he created this one. He said he was very proud to be a part of the process, and that having an Eagle of Honor in Tahoka, Texas now made his work national.

In all, several hundred people witnessed the ceremonies.

The Lynn County Eagle of Honor Veterans Memorial is open for viewing at all times, and is illuminated at night as well. Located in the center of Tahoka on the county courthouse grounds, it is one block south of the intersection of Main Street and U.S. 380/Lockwood.



Good crowd ... A good crowd, estimated at more than 200 people, attended dedication ceremonies for the Lynn County Eagle of Honor Veterans Memorial, on Sept. 11. Seated in the forefront here are veterans and family members. (LCN PHOTO)

Pickup hits deer; caller reports hearing gun shots

by JUANELL JONES

One accident was in call sheet reports from the Lynn County Sheriff's Office for the past week, and other calls included gun shots heard, suspicious vehicles/persons, and a theft. Tahoka Police also had a theft report during the week, and made two arrests on outstanding warrants.

Brian Payne, of Lubbock, was the driver of a 2019 Chevy Silverado pickup that struck a deer on US 84 near FM 212 at 7:15 a.m. last Thursday, Sept. 12. No injuries were reported, but the vehicle required towing.

A rural resident reported hearing gunshots on vacant property adjacent to his on CR 8 at 10:13 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13, telling officers he heard seven gun shots coming from the area. A deputy responding to the call found no one in the area and reported that a gate to get into the property was locked.

A homeowner on CR 15 reported last Thursday morning that someone had broken into her house and had taken some furniture. A report was taken.

A caller at 10:43 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 14, reported that she

could see flames coming from CR 2 and US 87 on the east side of the highway. A deputy located the fire in the 200 block of US 87, but reported that it was a homeowner burning trash and old pallets in a pit.

Lynn County Sheriff's Office worked with Brownfield Police Dept. on a 9-1-1 call that was received at 1:05 p.m. Sept. 11 at the Brownfield PD from an individual that said he had left a job site on foot and was lost in a field. LCSO plotted the caller 3.5 miles south of US 380 and 1 mile west of FM 179 in Lynn County. A deputy located the man and gave him a ride to the Lynn/Lubbock county line on FM 1730 to meet his father.

The Sheriff's Office received several calls reporting suspicious persons/vehicles, debris on roadway, and one call from a New Home woman that reported she had 18 stray wild kittens at her residence that she wanted picked up. A caller from Wilson wanted to speak with a deputy because her son had junk in her back yard and in his room that he was refusing to clean up.

On Sunday evening, a caller reported that there was a small

airplane that was flying dangerously between New Home and US 87, stalling the engine and going down then pulling back up, doing flips and turning on its side. FAA and Lubbock Airport control tower were notified, and responded that it was probably someone learning to fly.

Tahoka Police arrested a 51-year-old Tahoka man on Monday evening, for an outstanding warrant our of Lynn County for possession of a controlled substance, and arrested a 27-year-old man on Friday, Sept. 13 at 2:35 a.m. from a local convenience store, on an outstanding warrant out of Lynn County for Failure To Appear on Assault Against Elderly or Disabled Individual.

Tahoka Police responded to two calls about an unwanted person at a residence in the 2000 block of Lockwood on Sunday, one at 6:30 p.m. and again at 10:54 p.m., but the homeowner reported that the unwanted person, a 33-year-old woman, had left when she heard the call being made to police.

A Tahoka woman reported to police last Thursday that she had currency and property

totaling \$1,937 taken from her without her consent, and gave officers the name of a suspect. This investigation continues.

Criminal mischief was reported last Wednesday, when a man told police that a person that was at his house damaged his car by breaking the door handle and putting dents in the door.

Police responded to a residence in the 2300 block of N. 4th Street last Tuesday morning for a report of an unresponsive person. Upon arrival police determined that the 44-year-old female, Leslie Eden Williams, was deceased and the Justice of the Peace was notified. This investigation continues pending the results of an autopsy.

Lynn County Jail held 35 inmates during the past week, including 22 held for Ector County and 13 for Lynn County. Local charges included one for public intoxication, one for criminal trespass, two for possession of drugs, two for possession of marijuana, one for FTA for Assault Against Elderly or Disabled Individual, one for Assault Causes Bodily Injury to Family Member, and one for Driving While License Suspended.

Please visit these Lynn County Churches

New Home United Methodist Church

Pastor Madoc Thomas
(806) 470-2939
emt@madocthomas.com
350 N. Main • New Home, Tx 79383
(806) 924-7549
Sunday School 9:45 am • Worship 10:45 am

First Baptist Church

1701 Ave. K • Box 1547 • Tahoka, TX 79373
(806) 561-4557 • www.fbctahoka.org
PASTOR CLIFF HOLDRIDGE
Sunday School — 9:45 am
Morning Worship Service — 10:45 am
SNL (Youth) — 6:00 pm Sunday
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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

Wilson St. Paul Lutheran Church

16th & Houston St. • Box 136 • Wilson, TX 79381
(806) 628-6471 • www.stpaulwilson.com
PASTOR: DAVID W. ROHDE
Sunday School 9:15 am • Divine Service 10:15 am
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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

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1801 Ave. J • Tahoka • (806) 561-4503
email: fumctahoka@poka.com
Billy Everett, Pastor
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Chorus of Love

"The LORD your God is with you, the Mighty Warrior who saves. He will take great delight in you; in his love he will no longer rebuke you, but will rejoice over you with singing."

~Zephaniah 3:17

Oh the many ways in which we sin! We are full of mistakes. We make so many poor choices. The list of ways in which we fall short is endless.

If we are truly repentant, we don't need to spend time beating ourselves up over the mistakes we make. We get to say we're sorry and then move on. Scripture tell us that the Lord takes great delight in us! When Jesus died to save us from our sins, there was no longer need for rebuke. Instead, he rejoices over us with singing! Can you imagine? The very God who saved us is so thrilled about it that he sings us a song.

Lord, thank you for the chorus you sing over me. The very fact that I exist gives you great pleasure. I repent of my sin, and rejoice with you today! Amen

Do you need a church home? Please visit one of the churches listed on this page. May the peace and love of God, in Christ, be with you.



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Sharing Christ's message of forgiveness and salvation with our community and beyond.
TOMDA FREITAG, PLM
Sunday School — 9:30 am • Sunday Worship — 10:45 am

Grassland Nazarene Church

2885 CR 25 • Tahoka, TX 79373 • (806) 327-5656
Pastor Genell Knisley
(806) 201-0792
Sunday School — 10:00 am
Sunday Morning Worship — 11:00 am
Wednesday Prayer Service — 7:00 pm

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

New Home Baptist Church

Corner of 4th & Smith • Pastor: L.J. Wright
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SERVICES:
Sunday School.....10:00 am
Sunday Worship.....11:00 am
Wednesday Bible Study.....7:00 pm
Wed. Youth/Children's Activities ...7:00 pm

New Home Church of Christ

324 N. Main • Box 188 • New Home, Tx 79383 • (806) 924-7579
MINISTER: MIKE HEATWOLE
Bible Class — 9:00 am
Sunday Worship Service — 10:00 am
Wednesday Evening Bible Study — 6:30 pm

Sweet Street Baptist Church

1300 AVENUE J • BOX 751 • TAHOKA, TX 79373 • (806) 561-5310
DAVID EARNST, PASTOR • (806) 438-5105
Sunday School — 9:45 am
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Wilson Homecoming is Friday, Oct. 4th. The football game starts at 7:30 against Cotton Center, with the crowning of the Homecoming King and Queen at 7 pm.

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There will be a homecoming parade on Green Street in front of the school on Thursday Oct 3rd at 7 pm. The parade will begin at FM 400 and FM 211 and end at the school parking lot. We are looking for more entries, please meet around 6 pm to get in line at the post office. There will be a 1st place prize for best entry. The cheerleaders will be selling hot dogs, chips and drinks after the parade until the bonfire starts at dark.



Touchdown! ... New Home's Blake Buckelew makes a flying leap across the goal line for a Leopard touchdown, in action Friday night against the Plains Cowboys. He scored five TDs for the night, as the Leopards won their homecoming game 69-6. They take to the road this week, traveling to Hamlin. (LCN PHOTO by Abraham Vega)

Friday the Wilson Booster Club will be selling chopped brisket tacos, chopped brisket sandwiches and other snacks for the homecoming game, as well as Mustang Gear, caps, armbands and window stickers in the concession stand.

The Mustang booster club meeting schedule is: Oct 7th,

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Wilson ISD Picture Day is Monday, September 23rd. Packets will be sent home this week to parents.

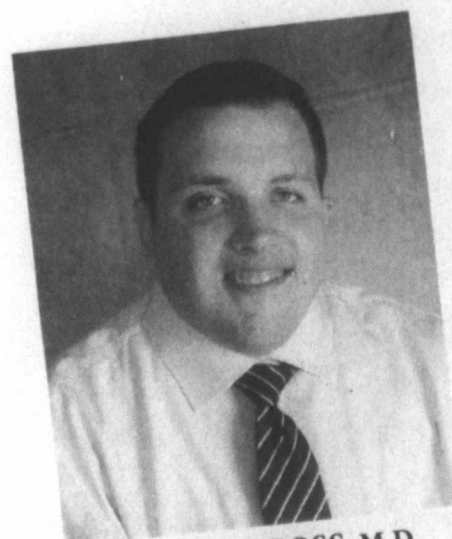


Interception ... Tahoka's Jonathan Renteria makes an interception and returns the ball deep into Brownfield territory, in action Friday night at Brownfield. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

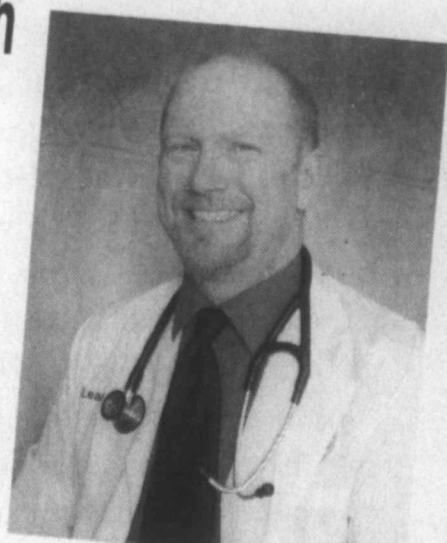
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Blake Buckelew made five TDs for the Leopards, including a 23-yard run with a 2-point conversion, a 5-yard run with a 2-point conversion, a 32-yard run, and received a 20-yard TD pass from Bode Stewart, all in the first quarter. He scored another TD on a 47-yard run in the 2nd quarter.

Bode Stewart made good on a 50-yard pass to Ka-

leb LeClair for a TD, with a 2-point conversion, and Stewart added another TD on a 1-yard run in the 2nd quarter. Layne Walker made a 40-yard TD on a fumble recovery in the 1st quarter.

In the second half, Cameron Jones scored a TD in the 3rd quarter on a 27-yard run, and made the final Leopard touchdown in the 4th quarter on a 5-yard run.

Did you know? ... about football

In college football, what is the Governor's Victory Bell? It is the trophy awarded to the winner of the game between the Minnesota Golden Gophers and the Penn State Nittany Lions.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Explanatory Statements for the November 5, 2019 Constitutional Amendment Election

Proposition Number 1 (HJR 72)

HJR 72 proposes a constitutional amendment permitting an elected municipal judge to serve as a municipal judge in more than one municipality at the same time. Unlike an appointed municipal judge, an elected municipal judge may not concurrently hold another municipal judge office. This amendment would allow an elected municipal judge to serve as a municipal judge in more than one municipality at the same time, in the same manner as appointed municipal judges.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment permitting a person to hold more than one office as a municipal judge at the same time."

Proposition Number 2 (SJR 79)

SJR 79 proposes a constitutional amendment authorizing the Texas Water Development Board to issue additional general obligation bonds, in an amount that does not exceed \$200 million, for the economically distressed areas program. These bonds can only be used to provide financing for the development of water supply and sewer service projects in those economically distressed areas as defined by law.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of additional general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development Board in an amount not to exceed \$200 million to provide financial assistance for the development of certain projects in economically distressed areas."

Proposition Number 3 (HJR 34)

HJR 34 proposes a constitutional amendment allowing the legislature to temporarily exempt from ad valorem taxation a portion of certain property located in an area covered by a disaster declaration of the governor. The proposed amendment would allow the legislature to prescribe the method of determining the amount of the tax exemption and the duration of the exemption and also would allow the legislature to create any additional eligibility requirements for the tax exemption.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for a temporary exemption from ad valorem taxation of a portion of the appraised value of certain property damaged by a disaster."

Proposition Number 4 (HJR 38)

HJR 38 proposes a constitutional amendment prohibiting the state from imposing or collecting an individual income tax, including an individual's share of partnership and unincorporated association income. There is no current constitutional bar on imposing or collecting an individual income tax.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment prohibiting the imposition of an individual income tax, including a tax on an individual's share of partnership and unincorporated association income."

Proposition Number 5 (SJR 24)

SJR 24 proposes a constitutional amendment that would automatically appropriate the net revenue received from the portion of the state's tax revenue received on sales of sporting goods to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) and the Texas Historical Commission (THC). The legislature would maintain the authority to determine the specific uses of the funds and their allocation between TPWD and THC.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment dedicating the revenue received from the existing state sales and use taxes that are imposed on sporting goods to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and the Texas Historical Commission to protect Texas' natural areas, water quality, and history by acquiring, managing, and improving state and local parks and historic sites while not increasing the rate of the state sales and use taxes."

Proposition Number 6 (HJR 12)

HJR 12 proposes a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to increase the maximum bond amount for the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas (CPRIT) from

\$3 billion to \$6 billion to be issued by the Texas Public Finance Authority. CPRIT was created in 2007 to promote and fund cancer research in Texas. CPRIT uses bond proceeds to award grants for cancer research and prevention.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to increase by \$3 billion the maximum bond amount authorized for the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas."

Proposition Number 7 (HJR 151)

HJR 151 proposes a constitutional amendment allowing increased distributions from \$300 million per year to \$600 million per year to the available school fund and also allowing the State Board of Education, the General Land Office, and other entities that manage revenue from land or other properties held in the permanent school fund to dis-

tribute certain revenue to the available school fund.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment allowing increased distributions to the available school fund."

Proposition Number 8 (HJR 4)

HJR 4 proposes a constitutional amendment creating the flood infrastructure fund as a special fund in the state treasury, using money appropriated from the economic stabilization fund. The flood infrastructure fund would provide additional resources to implement plans to mitigate flood damage. The proposed amendment would authorize the Texas Water Development Board to use money in the flood infrastructure fund for drainage, flood mitigation, or flood control projects. The proposed amendment also would authorize the creation of separate accounts in the flood infrastructure fund as necessary to administer the fund or authorized projects.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the creation of the flood infrastructure fund to assist in the financing of drainage, flood mitigation, and flood control projects."

Proposition Number 9 (HJR 95)

HJR 95 proposes a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to create a property tax exemption for precious metal held in a precious metal depository located in this state.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation precious metal held in a precious metal depository located in this state."

Proposition Number 10 (SJR 32)

SJR 32 proposes a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to allow a state agency or political subdivision to transfer a law enforcement animal to the animal's handler or another qualified caretaker in certain circumstances. Currently, the Texas Constitution prevents the transfer of certain public property, such as law enforcement animals, to a private person or organization at no cost. This amendment authorizes the legislature to allow the transfer of a law enforcement animal to the animal's handler or another qualified caretaker at no cost, upon the animal's retirement or at another time if the transfer is determined to be in the animal's best interest.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to allow the transfer of a law enforcement animal to a qualified caretaker in certain circumstances."

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Sincerely,
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We wish to thank everyone who ministered to our families at the loss of our mother and grandmother, Fern Childress. The floral offerings, food, cards, calls, and donations to favorite charities were greatly appreciated. To Pastor Cleve Kerby for the hospital visit. Your sweet words of comfort was deeply appreciated. To Pastor Cliff Holdridge for the amazing memorial service, as well as the ladies of First Baptist Church for the wonderful meal you provided for our family. To Clay and Lauren Childress for the beautiful music. Gary Morrison, the sweet words you shared about Ma Fern during the service was so heart touching. Thank you!

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Another nail-biter sends Bulldogs past Brownfield, 28-24

The 2A Tahoka Bulldogs traveled to Brownfield last Friday night to face the Cubs in another 3A versus 2A matchup, with the Bulldogs hanging on for a 28-24 win. This week, the Bulldogs are at home, hosting another bigger team, with Littlefield coming to town on Friday night.

The Bulldogs started strong at Brownfield and found the endzone early to take the lead over the Cubs. The Dogs kept their foot on the gas pedal and extended the lead before hitting a stretch that saw the momentum switch in favor of the Cubs. The Dogs had the lead at the half 21-18 and never let it slip away.

In the first quarter, Tahoka's Braden Stone completed a pass to John Stone for 4 yards for the first touchdown, and Malik Hamilton completed a pass to John Stone for 25 yards for the second TD, with both PATs by Paxtyn Gwin good for

the 14-0 lead. Brownfield answered with a 47-yard TD run by Malachi Garcia, but the PAT was no good.

In the second quarter, the Cubs added two more TDs on runs by Garcia, but the PATs were no good, and Tahoka added at TD on a Braden Stone pass to Nathaniel Castillo for 26 yards. Gwin's kick added another point for the 21-18 halftime lead. In the third quarter, Hamilton scored a TD on a 2-yard run, and Gwin was 4 for 4 on the point-after kick.

Late in the fourth quarter, with only 49-seconds remaining, the Cubs made a TD on a Malachi Garcia pass to Nikki Vela for 1-yard, but the 2-point conversion attempt failed, and Tahoka won the game 28-24. The Bulldogs had 385 offensive yards, compared to 300 for Brownfield, with 151 yards passing (110 for the Cubs), and 234 yards rushing (190 for the Cubs).

"I was very proud of the way our kids stepped up and played Friday night," said Coach Stephen Overstreet. "We got settled in to a groove early and that kind of settled our nerves for the rest of the night. We had about a four' or five minute stretch in that second quarter that we gave up some big plays and we turned the ball over, that allowed a good football team to claw it's way back into the game."

"Offensively in the first half we look up and we have more yards passing than we do on the ground. That is very uncommon for us but we did a good job of taking what the defense gave us and making them unload the box from being able to stack up against the run. I felt like our offense did everything it needed to do all night long."

"Obviously turning the ball over is never acceptable, but you have to understand that those things are going to happen in

the course of a season. The thing that is sticking out right now is our ability to play defense. Even during that stretch that they kind of came alive I didn't ever feel like our defense got rattled. We made some adjustments at halftime and we tried to keep some fresher guys on the field that allowed them to play fast. We also did a great job of flying to the football and creating turnovers."

"Like I said before, if you're turning the ball over on offense you're wasting chances. However if your defense can go out and get it back for them it just builds a level of trust and confidence that if that adversity hits you're going to be ok. Same thing applies to when we had a lull, we knew our offense was going to move the ball and bail us out of the hole we had created."

"I like where we are as a football team right now. We are playing hard and physical, and I have no doubt it's going to pay

off when we get into a tough district schedule. This is a very mature football team that has seen it all. They understand that the game is going to throw you some adversity and how you respond to that adversity is going to determine the outcome after 48 minutes. Right now we have been blessed to end the night at 1-0 and we hope to do that again this week here at home against the Littlefield Wildcats," said Overstreet.

Littlefield is another tradition-rich opponent that Overstreet and his squad are looking forward to playing.

"This game should be one in which you can be home in time to watch Karen and Abner as both teams are going to run the football. Littlefield is a team that we kind of hope to be known as down the road. They are a team that has a system in place and they just line up and do what they do. They have kids who are running the same offensive and defensive system that their dads and grandads

ran when they played in Littlefield," said Overstreet.

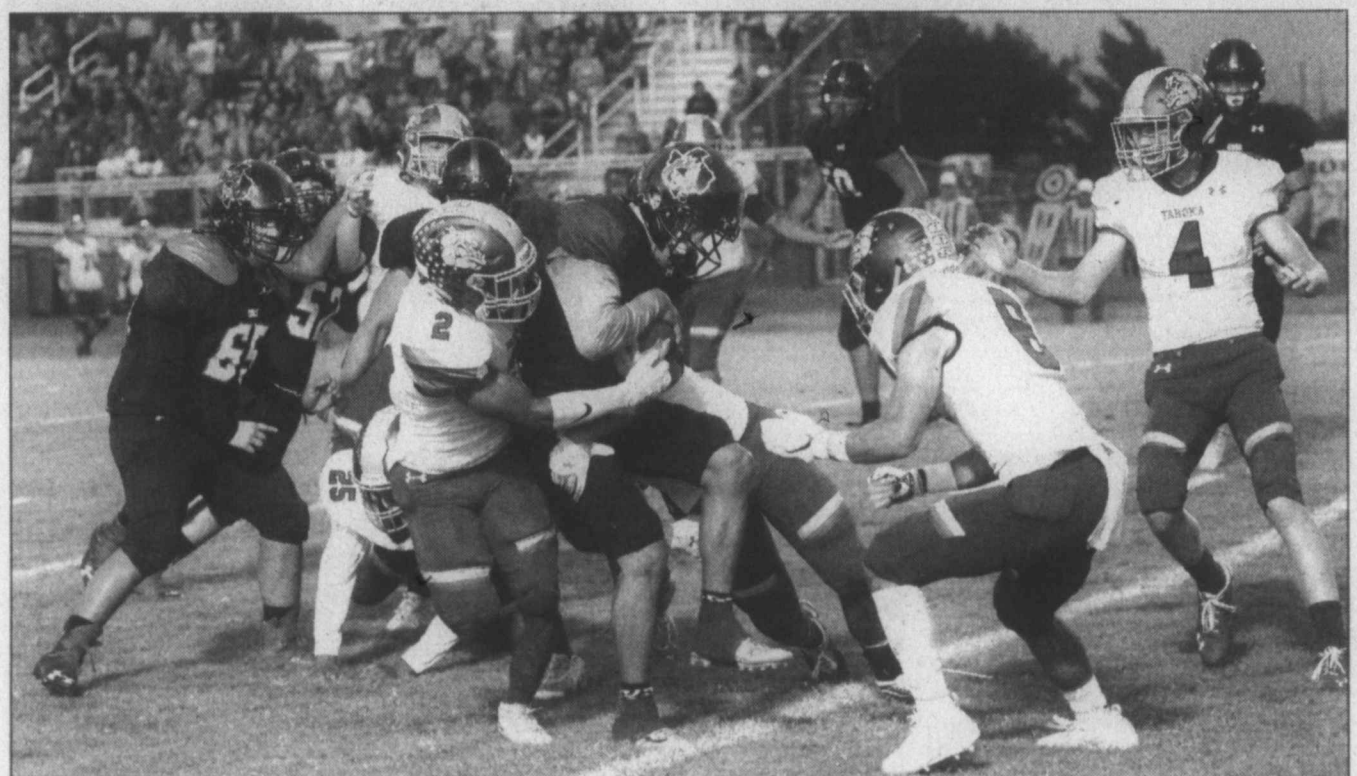
"Coach Brent Green is as good of guy and coach as you will find. They have a very solid run game and have three guys that all bring something different to the table. Daniel Stinson is what I call the traditional Littlefield running back, in the fact that he's going to run it hard between the tackles. You follow that up with Davin Saldana who fits that mold of the shifty slot back they like to run the buck sweep and trap with and you have a pretty good combo. The guy who is working into the mix some is a sophomore named Tyjae Chambers, he's kind of mix in the shifty guy that they are trying to run between the tackles to see if he can find a crease."

"We are excited to be back here at Kelley field after a long two weeks on the road and we hope to see that wave of blue again this Friday night at 7:30 loud and ready to go as we take on the Wildcats," added the coach.

TAHOKA VS LITTLEFIELD

Friday, Sept. 20

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Making a stand ... Malik Hamilton (2), Major Due (8), Nathania Castillo (25) and John Stone (4) make a stand at the goal line against Brownfield. The Dogs added another win to their record, outlasting the Cubs 28-24. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

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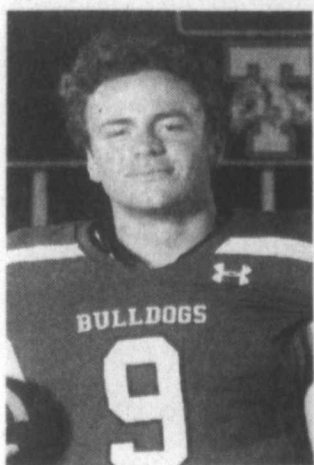
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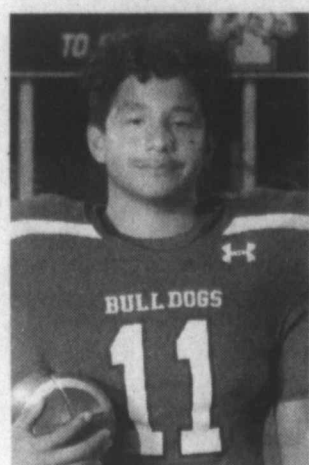
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#11 Jonathan Renteria
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#12 Tristen Stice
Favorite movie: "Iron Man 1"
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Tahoka Bulldog Football 2019 VARSITY SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
Sept. 20	Littlefield	Here	7:30
Sept. 27	Sundown	There	7:30
Oct. 4	OPEN		
Oct. 11	New Home* (H)	Here	7:00
Oct. 18	Crosbyton*	Here	7:00
Oct. 25	Ralls*	There	7:00
Nov. 1	Lockney*	Here	7:00
Nov. 8	Smyer*	There	7:00

*District games (H) Homecoming

FOOTBALL TRIVIA

- Who held the most rushing yards in the NFL in the 1980s?
- Who has the longest play in Super Bowl history?
- Which player had the longest drought in Super Bowl wins?
- Which team has the longest Super Bowl winning streak?

ANSWERS:

- Eric Dickerson
- Jacoby Jones had a 108-yard kick return for a touchdown against the 49ers in Super Bowl XLVIII
- Ray Lewis, who waited 12 years in between wins
- San Francisco 49ers with 5 wins

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