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6:00 p.m.
at the
Tahoka Mini Park
\$5 All-you-can-eat
Fish Dinner
(Carryout plates available)

FOOTBALL "

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Wilson at Plainview Christian

Tahoka (open date)
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THS queen and court ... Tahoka High School Junior Kaitlyn Reno (right) was crowned Queen during Homecoming festivities Friday night. She is the daughter of Jerry and Vera Reno of Tahoka. Other nominees included, from left, senior Jynna Askew, sophomore Harley Reynolds, and freshman Taya Bishop. (LCN PHOTO by Abraham Vega)



Princesses ... Jayda Rosas (left) was crowned 2009 Harvest Festival Princess at Saturday's event, and all four princess contestants won savings bonds in the contest. First runnerup was Nadalie Carrasco (right), second runnerup was Kaylyn Green (second from left), and third runnerup was Cheyenne Rios (second from right). Winners were determined by ticket sales.

(LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

Doctor Hurts Leg In Home Accident

Dr. Pat Edwards, the most recent addition to Lynn County Hospital's available staff, was temporarily sidelined after breaking a leg in a fall at the front door of his home in Slaton last week, the hospital's directors were advised by administrator Jim Morris at the hospital board meeting last Thursday.

Dr. Edwards is expected to resume seeing patients at his clinic located at the hospital sometime in October.

The board unanimously voted to leave the tax rate at 24.75 cents per \$100 valuation for the coming year, which is expected to raise \$774,303, or about \$48,000 more than was raised in the current year.

The board also voted to eliminate the early payment discount on hospital taxes, since the county and water district have voted out the discount. Taxes paid in October, November, December and January will be the same;

a delinquent penalty becomes effective on taxes paid after Jan. 31.

Susie Sosa, director of Lynnwood Assisted Living facility, appeared before the board to discuss some of the rules and guidelines governing care of residents.

The board unanimously approved manuals for emergency room/trauma policies and pharmacy policies and procedures. The board also conducted a review assessing the job performance of the administrator, then called Morris back into the room to advise him they are very pleased with his performance, and unanimously voted him a raise of \$3,000 annually.

Board president Jerry Ford presided. All board members were present, including Jannis Horwood, Frances Truehart, Virginia Griffing, Nancy Guilliams, Cal Huffaker and Dalton Wood.

Harvest Festival draws good crowd to square

by JUANELL JONES

The 34th annual Lynn County Harvest Festival was held Saturday at the courthouse square in Tahoka, drawing a good crowd for a fun day of events. The Tahoka Rotary Club sold out their crowd-pleasing sausage-on-a-stick by 3:30 in the afternoon, and other food/craft/game booths seemed to be doing a booming business as well throughout the day.

Children brought their decorated turtles for the turtle races in the morning, always a fun event for the kids and onlookers to watch, and Cadillac Jack's band entertained the crowd throughout the day. Cash giveaways from the stage for answering questions and for bringing items (i.e., the first kid wearing blue socks to the stage gets \$15) was also popular at the festival.

Tahoka second grader Jayda Rosas was crowned Lynn County Harvest Festival Princess for 2009, for selling the most tickets in the \$1,000 trip voucher raffle. The daughter of Johnny and Shelly Rosas, Jayda won a \$750 savings bond as Princess. First runnerup was Nadalie Carrasco, second runnerup was Kaylyn Green, and third runnerup was Cheyenne Rios, all of whom also won savings bonds. Noe Olveda was named Prince of the Harvest Festival, son of Lucinda Olveda and Juan Olveda, and first runnerup was Zayne Sires. They also won savings bonds for their efforts.

Winner of the \$1,000 trip voucher raffle was Gary Jones of Tahoka, and Cow Patty Bingo winners were Wayne Wilson (\$250) and Lynn Ortiz (\$100). Lynn County Pioneers had two quilt raffles, won by Lilia Saldana of Lubbock and Nancy Guilliams of Tahoka, and Michelle Torrez of Tahoka won the quilt raffle from the City/County Library.



The Harvest Festival Queen contest featured something new this year: . drag queens. Yes, nine men in beautiful dresses featuring hairy chests and lots of facial hair were this year's candidates for Harvest Festival "Queen," with the Honorable Judge Carter Schildknecht, 106th District Court, Lynn County Judge H.G. Franklin, and Justice of Peace Dana McKay serving as judges for the highly-entertaining contest. Bryan "Gertrude" Reynolds, Lynn County Ag Agent, won the title of Queen, which he/she graciously accepted by immediately going to the judges and presenting them with jewelry. Other "queen" candidates included Tahoka Mayor John Baker, Drew Stone, Billy Bishop, Scott Dimak, Ty Askew, John Hawthorne, Roddy Gandy, and Mike Rivas.

QUEEN "GERTRUDE"

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by dalton

books lately? Or any lousy ones

HAVE YOU READ any good books lately? Or any lousy ones? Well, I have, because I read a lot. In fact, I have read at least 82 books in the last year, just from the local library, and probably have read another 35 or 40 books which I bought, or borrowed. I'll get back to those library book numbers, which are accurate, in a minute.

First, let me admit that I haven't read anything which improves my mind, because I don't read the works of the so-called "great" authors (who are mostly dead) and I don't read non-fiction. I read for escapism; I don't much like what is happening in the real world, and I don't want to have to think about it. I want to get lost in a good story, perhaps a mystery, and identify with the main character (who is always younger, stronger, smarter and better looking than I ever was, and who always come out as a winner).

If I have to read a story where the main character is really like me, it is depressing.

At home I have some books I like so well that I have read them several times, and I make a notation inside the front cover of the date I last read it. As I get older, I find that it doesn't matter if I read it last week; I still won't remember how it came out.

At the library in Tahoka, they have software which can tell you how many books you have read in each of the last several years. The nice librarian advised me that I have checked out 82 books in the last year. That's about a book and a half a week, although I don't remember ever checking out half a book.

There are several other library patrons who have checked out many more books than that, with the leaders being two women who have read 147 and 143 respectively. I won't name them, but they both probably have eyesight problems.

My first extra-curricular reading started when I was 8 years old, reading a pulp magazine called *Wild West Weekly* by the light of a "coal oil" (kerosene) lamp. I always thought that was why I so quickly became near-sighted, but just a week or so ago I read that reading in poor light will not hurt a person's vision.

Anyway, I usually read a book in one night, or at least in two. And like the woman who said being forgetful has advantages such as being able to hide your own Easter eggs, I now can read the same book every two or three months and it's still new to me every time.



Hayes is new youth minister at First Baptist Church here

Landon and Cara Hayes, and daughter Laney

First Baptist Church of Tahoka is pleased to announce Landon Hayes as their new youth minister. Hayes is a recent graduate of Wayland Baptist University where he earned his Bachelor of Christian Ministry degree.

Landon and his wife Cara, both natives of the Midland area, have a daughter, Laney. They will soon be moving to Tahoka from their home in Lubbock.

"Our family is extremely excited about the beginning of this chapter of our lives with our new family here in Tahoka. We look forward to the memories to be made and the growth that everyone is going to experience through the working of Gods hand," Hayes said.

FBC Pastor Richard Harbison added, "I am excited about the opportunities that lie ahead. Landon is passionate, enthusiastic and committed."



HEALTH SCREENINGS CAN SAVE LIVES

You're in your 50s. It's the prime of your life -- or it should be. Don't let illness rob you of your health.

According to WebMD when you go for your annual physical, (if this is not a habit you should begin to make it one.) Make sure your doctor performs or recommends these simple tests that may save your health, and your life later.

Cholesterol Profile. Do you have high cholesterol? Find out; at least once every five years (more if you're at risk for a heart attack). Controlling your cholesterol can add years to your life.

Blood Sugar. Untreated diabetes can destroy your health, causing heart disease, kidney failure, and blindness. Don't let it. Get a fasting blood sugar test at least once every three years and take control of diabetes early.

Blood Pressure. Untreated high blood pressure is an equal opportunity killer. It kills your heart, your brain, your eyes and your kidneys. Don't let hypertension sneak up on you. Get the test. It's simple, it's cheap and it's quick.

For Women Only: Thyroid Hormone Test. Your thyroid, is the body's powerhouse, producing hormones needed for metabolism. Aging (and an erratic immune system) can wreak havoc causing a variety of problems, especially in women. That's why women should get a thyroid test at age 50 and then every five years. Pelvic Exam and Pap. You may think you have suffered enough. But you still need these especially if you're sexually active. These procedures once every one to three years pay big divi-

dends in protecting you from cancer and sexually transmitted diseases. Breast Exam and Mammogram. At this age, getting a mammogram every year and having your doctor examine your breasts for any changes can save your breast and

For Men Only: PSA-Prostate
Exam. PSA, short for Prostate
Specific Antigen, this blood test
when combined with a rectal exam
can effectively detect prostate cancer in most men. Most experts recommend getting both tests every
year starting at age 50, but some
men may need to start getting PSA
testing at age 40. Discuss this with

your doctor.

The Rectal Exam. Dread it, hate it. Just make sure you get one every year. Along with other tests your doctor may recommend, it may give clues to treatable problems in your colon (think colon cancer) or prostate for men.

Stepping on the Scales. This is the age when most people start gaining weight. Watch this weight gain carefully, and fight back with healthier eating and exercise. Being overweight puts you at high risk for developing a number of diseases and studies show that weight loss can improve your odds.

Looking for Moles. Love your skin. Check your skin monthly for affy unusual spots or moles. Be sure to ask your doctor to check your skin once a year, as well.

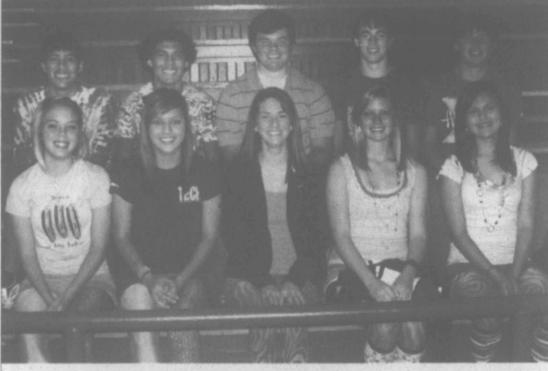
Protecting Your Eyes. Visionrobbing diseases become more common as you age. Be sure to get your eyes examined regularly every one to two years. (Go more often if you have vision problems).

Checking your Immunizations. People over age 50 should



Class visits Tahoka ... Cooper High School's Criminal Justice class, instructed by former Tahokan Rick Saldana, the school's Director of Safety and Emergency Management, visited Tahoka recently. Each year Officer Saldana brings his class of Juniors and Seniors to tour the old jail, the court room and the oldest jail located in the top floor of the Lynn County Courthouse.

(LCN PHOTO by Abraham Vega)



Leopards Homecoming Court ... Homecoming Court candidates for New Home High School are pictured here, from left to right, top row: attendant Josh Correa and court: Kris Silva, Cody Cross, Sterling Ford, and Jacob Laseman; bottom row: attendant Steelie Feaster and court: Alex Cantu, Abbey Melton, Jacobi Ford, and Naomi Nevarez. The King and Queen will be crowned at Homecoming festivities Friday.

get a flu shot every year. And don't forget, even healthy people need a tetanus booster shot every 10 years. Be sure to ask your doctor to update any immunizations that you might need.

Use your birthday as a gentle reminder to schedule a visit to your dentist, and call your doctor to see if there are important tests you should take. By investing an hour or two now, you may be able to add years to your life.

Walk to School Day is Oct. 7

In the USA, celebrate Walk to School Day on October 7, and promote safe walking and bicycling throughout the year. Tahoka ISD encourages students and faculty to walk or ride a bicycle to school during October to help enhance the health of kids and adults, improve the air quality and the environment, and to create safer routes for walking and bicycling.



BRAXTON TYLER STARK

Ty and Lindsey Stark of Tahoka announce the birth of their son, Braxton Tyler Stark, born on September 8, 2009 at 10:44 a.m. in Lubbock. He weighed 6 lbs. and 6 oz. and was 19-1/2 inches long.

Grandparents are R.T. Stark of Tahoka, Karen Melton, Merlyn Westbrook, both of Midland, and Randy Owen of Snyder. Great-grandparents are Dorothy and the late Harvey Craig of Tahoka, Mickie Owen of Snyder and Odes and Molly Coy of Eunice, NM.

Firemen's Fish Fry set Friday at Tahoka mini-park

The Tahoka Volunteer Fire Department's annual Fish Fry fundraiser will be held Friday night, Oct. 2 at the Tahoka Mini-Park. The siren will sound when the fish is ready to serve, usually about 6 p.m. Cost is \$5 per plate, and carryouts are available for those who may not want to sit in the park to eat the all-you-can-eat fried fish, coleslaw, hush puppies, fried potatoes and onions, and bread.

Members of the volunteer fire department prepare the meal, with their wives serving at the food line, located just behind City Hall. Tickets may be purchased at the event, or ahead of time from any fireman.

All proceeds benefit the local fire department, which serves not only Tahoka but Lynn County as well.

Support our local Fire Department!

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Amanda Grace and Katelyn Keller Fillingim

On September 22, 2009, God took his precious Angels, Amanda Grace and Katelyn Keller Fillingim, to be with Him in Heaven. They were born September 22, 2009 to Troy and Stevanie Fillingim in Lubbock. Graveside Services will be held at 2:00 p.m., Friday, September 25, 2009 at Nevels Memorial Cemetery in Tahoka with Rev. Calvin Gray officiating.

Survivors include their parents, Troy and Stevanie Fillingim of New Home, paternal grandparents, Steve and G. G. Fillingim of New Home; maternal grandmother, Betty Besch of Lu Verne, Iowa; maternal grandfather, Roland Johnson of Menard; paternal great-grandparents, Joe Robert and Fernie Fillingim of New Home; paternal great-grandmother, Billie McKee of Lubbock; also surviving are, brothers, sisters, numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Arrangements are under the personal care of White Funeral Home in Tahoka. To register or send condolences online, please visit www.whitefueralhome.com. (PAID)

New Home ISD MENU

October 5-9
Breakfast
Cinnamon Past

Monday: Cinnamon Pastry Tuesday: Bacon & eggs Wednesday: Muffin Thursday: Biscuit & Sausage Friday: Pancakes

Monday: Steak sandwich, trimmings, green beans, frozen fruit pop

Lunch

Tuesday: Fiesta salad, trimmings, refried beans, Spanish rice, pear cup

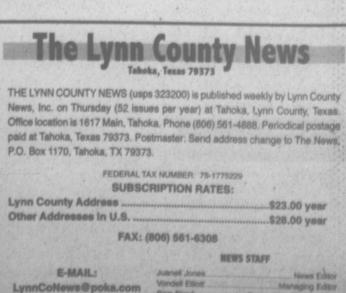
Wednesday: Pizza, lettuce/tomato, corn, carrot/ cucumber, jello
Thursday: Corn dog, broccoli & cheese, pork n' beans, applesauce
Friday: Chili cheese dog, baby carrots, ranch style beans, tater tots, fruit cup











New Deal rolls past Dogs 58-6 Friday

The powerful New Deal Lions, one of the state's top-ranked Class A football teams, justified their ranking by crushing Tahoka 58-6 in the Bulldogs' homecoming game last Friday.

The Lions remained undefeated, untied and unworried as they stormed to a 37-0 lead in the first quarter, then eased off with 14 points in the second period and just 7 points in the last

Tahoka QB Neiko Garcia was responsible for most of Tahoka's offense, gaining 53 yards on 18 carries, including a 3-yard run in the third quarter for the

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Bulldogs' only score

Tahoka had only 6 first downs in the game, and just 59 yards of total offense against the talented New Deal defense, and missed on all five pass at-

Larry Saldana had 10 tackles to lead the Tahoka defense.

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School News

by Tahoka High School Journalism Students

7th Graders Take-on **New Deal Lions** By Alex Webster

The 7th grade boys lost 8-6 to the New Deal Lions on Thursday, Sept. 24. Domenique Herrera scored the touchdown for the Bulldogs.

8th Grade Smashes New Deal By Brittany Garcia

The 8th grade football team beat the New Deal Lions 30-0, on Thursday, Sept. 21. Keshawn Hood scored two touchdowns, Isaiah Vega and Ray Parmer each scored a touchdown, and Alex Rodriguez returned a fumble recovery for a touchdown.

JV Football By Skyler McCleskey

The JV football team lost to Coahoma 14-0 on Sept. 21. Leading the team in rushing yards was Trai Smith with 108 yards. Chance Cook caught two passes for a total of 30 yards.

"The boys played well in spurts and drove the ball well offensively, but mental mistakes and fumble kept us from capitalizing on some scoring opportunities inside the red zone," said Coach Dustin Faught

JV boys lost to New Deal 18-6 on Sept. 24. Jacob Arriazola led the team with twelve assists, and Tino Deleon had eight. Deleon also led the team in rushing yards with 89 yards. Ian Zamarron scored the only touchdown for the Bulldogs and had 22 rush-

Bulldogs Face State Ranked New Deal for Homecoming By Seth Hawthorne

No. 38 for New Deal is Freddy Briseno.

The Tahoka Bulldogs lost to the state ranked number 7 New Deal Lions 58-6.

The lions scored most of their points in the first quarter, putting 37 on the board. There was no action for the bulldogs offensively until the third quarter when they made a touchdown.

Neiko Garcia led in rushing yard with 53 yards, and Larry Saldana led on defense with seven tackles and three assists.

> Tahoka Bulldogs have an Open Date Friday ... Come to the

Firemen's Fish Fry

at 6 p.m. at the Mini Park!

Star Gin in Wilson/Union has already reported their first bale ginned from a Lubbock area producer, Nathan Bednarz, on Sept. 22. They reported a total of 26 bales ginned as of this

Lynn County area ginning

plants are gearing up for the

cotton harvest that will soon be

underway, and in fact the Texas

Long night ... Tahoka players had a long night of trying to stop the powerful New Deal

offense, which led to a 58-6 Lions win over the Buildogs Friday. Above, New Deal running

back Morgan Gonzales (44) is being tackled by Larry Saldana (55) with Jordan Newsom

(50) on the ground. Other Bulldogs above include Sabino Perez (10) and John Cantu (3).

Other gins contacted by The News say they expect to begin processing in the next week or two, as area producers begin harvesting their crops. Farmers Coop Gin in O'Donnell and

Grassland Coop Gin estimate they will have their first bales this week. New Home Coop/ Lakeview, Farmers Coop Gin in Tahoka, Woolam Gin in O'Donnell and Wells Coop Gin expect to begin processing cotton within two weeks, and Close City Gin in Post estimates a

(LCN PHOTO by Abraham Vega)

Area gins gearing up for

upcoming cotton harvest

month before they will start. The News will begin reporting weekly bale counts in about two weeks, as soon as most gins / have numbers to report.

These Tahoka Firms Are Sponsoring This



AgTexas Farm Credit Services

Rodney Keeton and Mike Metzig

Capital Farm Credit (formerly First Ag Credit, FCS)

> Clint Robinson Jason Gandy

Farmers Co-op Association/

No. 1

Lynn County Farm Bureau

Traffic accident, theft reported during week

A traffic accident in Tahoka Monday involved three vehicles, but no injuries resulted.

The Tahoka Police report said Samantha N. Martinez, 22, of Tahoka was driving south on Ave. L and collided with a 1997 Dodge Ram pickup driven by Christopher D. Moers, 30, of Tahoka, who was attempting to turn onto N. 4th St. The impact caused Moers' pickup to strike a 2008 Nissan pickup driven by Steven Starkey, 39, of Tahoka.

Police also took a report from Ralph Wells Huffaker of Tahoka that a starter had been

stolen off a John Deere tractor parked by a barn in the 2000 block of Ave. D sometime since May. The starter was valued at

Only three persons were jailed in Lynn County during the last week, one each on charges of possession of marijuana, failure to appear on charges of driving while license invalid, and driving while intoxicated second offense.

The arrests left the total jail population here at 38, with five held for Lubbock and one for Garza County.



Class of 1959 ... The Tahoka High School Class of '59 had their 50 year class reunion on Friday, September 25. Those attending included, front row from left: Linda Jones Hook, Virginia Willhoit Demic, Janey Ware Balthrop, Greg (Oscar) Perez, and Lonnie Wheeler. Second row from left: Gwendolyn Austin Fallin, Retha Cathcart Dunn, Donna Howell Roberson, Jolene Mayberry Hawkins, Ruby Nell Denzy, Patsy Norman Wylle, Roland Ussery, Jerry Hays, Dortha Rector Forbes, Martha Rector Goad, Marybelle Wood Mahurin, Sue Wheatley Roberts, and Sandra McNeely Brown. Back row, Billy Tomlinson, Jolene Sikes Tomlinson, Edwina Overstreet Davenport, Betsy Adams Pridmore, Hulan Murray, Roy Hinkle, Ted Dockery, John Hegi, and Benny Martin.

Class of 1959 enjoys 50th reunion here

The Tahoka High School Class of 1959 celebrated their 50th class reunion during Homecoming at Tahoka on Friday, September 25, 2009. There were 23 who attended out of a possible 38 graduates (47 graduated with the class and 9 of those have passed away).

Those attending were: Betsy Adams Pridmore, Gwendolyn Austin Fallin, Retha Cathcart Dunn, Mary Sue Collard Mc-Queary, Lynn Cook, Ruby Nell Denzy, Teddy L. Dockery, Jerry Hays, John Hegi, Roy Hinkle, Linda Jones Hook, Sandra Mc-Neely Brown, Benny Martin, Jolene Mayberry Hawkins, Patsy Norman Wylie, Pat Polk, Dortha Rector Forbes, Martha Rector Goad, Jolene Sikes Tomlinson, Billy Tomlinson, Janey Ware Baltrop, Lonnie Wheeler,

and Virginia Willhoit Demic. Other guests that attended who were a special part of this class were: Donna Howell Robertson, Dwayne McNeely, Hulan Murray, Edwina Overstreet Davenport, Greg (Oscar) Perez, Roland Ussery, Sue Wheatley

Roberts, and Marybelle Wood

Mahurin. Two special guests were also in attendance: Mrs. Madeline Hegi and Mrs. Lottie Jo Walker and her husband, Clint. Mrs. Hegi and Mrs. Walker were special teachers to the class of

Everyone enjoyed lunch at Betsy Pridmore's home, the homecoming program at the high school and then visiting at the Lyntegar building.

Need an Invitation?

If you need an invitation for a Baby Shower, Wedding, Anniversary, Birthday Party or anything else, come by the Lynn County News office and let us help you! We have all colors of paper to choose from and can help you customize your invitations ... all at a low price.

For example: 50 Baby Shower post cards is \$12.50.



E Lynn County News

KIM JONES, FNPC effective Monday, October 5th

will have NEW HOURS!

Tahoka Clinic SUITE B • 2600 Lockwood

Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays: 8:00 am-12:30 pm & 1:00 - 5:30 pm

Tuesdays: 8:00 am-12:30 pm O'Donnell Clinic 501 5th Street

Tuesdays:

1:00 - 5:00 pm Wednesdays:

8:00 am-12 noon

call 998-4602 to make an appointment. Walk-ins welcome!





Yes, we care ... 110 middle school and high school students gathered at the Tahoka High School flagpole to pray for their school at "See You at the Pole" last Wednesday, Sept. 23. Pastor Vernon Baker of First United Methodist Church of Tahoka said, "I am excited about the future with more than a third of our students praying at seven in the morning. God is at work." This student-led event was carried out by members of the senior class who led in worship and then instructed each grade level to gather and pray. After their time of prayer the students were provided a homemade breakfast by several women from local churches. "This is by far the largest group we have ever had at See You at the Pole. I appreciate the leadership of our seniors, the dedication of our ladies who provided breakfast, and all the adults who parked and prayed as they participated in Surround your School in Prayer," commented Richard Harbison, pastor of First Baptist Church of Tahoka.

Class of 1949 alumni and faculty attend **Homecoming reunion**

Eighteen (eleven men and seven women) ex-students and one faculty member in the Tahoka High School class of 1949 gathered for a 60th-anniversary celebration this past Friday at Tahoka's annual homecoming events.

Class members who were present for lunch and afternoon and evening visiting are as follows: Robert Adamson and wife Margaret, from Dalhart, Eldon Akin and wife, Delores of Tahoka/Ruidoso, Dr. Duane and Bennie (Pridmore) Carter, Tahoka, Harold Crotwell and wife Maria, Lawton, Oklahoma, Myrla (Holcomb) Depew and husband Carl, Irvine, California, Mary (Draper) Fleming of Loop, Lura Mae (Howell) Hall and hus-

band Raymond, Kerrville, Paul Hill and wife Reba, Brownwood, Wendell Huddleston, Lubbock, Laylan McMahan, Arlington, Doug McNeely, Fort Worth, Travis Morgan and wife Barbara of Midland, Sue (Ramsey) Scott, Tulsa, Oklahoma, Velma Ruth (Howell) Shambeck, Lubbock, Jimmie D. Small, Lubbock, Nancy (Gill) Srygley, Kingwood, and Billy Ed Ware, Hobbs, New Mexico.

Special guest was Mary Margaret (Tunnell) Stewart, of Waco, who was a 1938 graduate of Tahoka High as well as a faculty member for many years. She was accompanied by her son, Scott.

Sixteen members of the class are deceased.

A large number of ex-students from other classes, in addition to friends and relatives of class members made up the record-breaking number in at-

the library. Don and John Box and the City

of Tahoka employees for setting up our booth; and to Curtis Harvick for once again donating a one-of-a-kind item that, as usual, received the highest single bid. Thanks also to Jim and Chloie Jan Wells, John and Cheryl Krey, Jay Dee and Virginia House and Mike and Beth Huffaker for your generosity.

Library auction

raises \$2,000+

On behalf of the staff and

board members of the City-

County Library, I would like to

say a huge THANK YOU to ev-

eryone who donated items, bid

on and bought the offered items,

and made monetary donations

during our recent Silent Auction

at the Harvest Festival. Because

of you we raised over \$2,000 in

much needed funding to pur-

chase materials and supplement

normal operating expenses for

A special thanks to Ray

Dear Editor

The big-heartedness of this

community never ceases to amaze me and ensures that our library will be able to offer the best resources we are capable of providing. Again, many thanks.

> Sincerely, Claudia Guin Library Director

Harvest Festival Committee expresses thanks

LETTERS to the **EDITOR**

The Lynn County Harvest Festival Committee expresses appreciation to everyone who helped make this year's Harvest Festival a success. Special thanks to the Prince and Princess candidates who sold tickets to support the festival, and to the Tahoka Rotary Club, City/ County Library and Phebe K. Warner Club who also sold festival tickets for this year's raffle drawing.

We appreciate our local and area merchants who so generously donate cash for the audience participation give-aways, which is always a fun part of the

festival. And a big thanks goes to all who sponsored booths at this year's festival, providing fun and food for youth and adults throughout the day.

A special thanks this year . to the "Queen" contestants who provided some uniquely fun entertainment for the crowd, and thanks to all who come spend: the day at the courthouse square to share in the fun and support our local organizations in their fund-raising efforts.

As always, we welcome anyone who would like to serve on the Harvest Festival Committee, and welcome new ideas and suggestions for future Harvest Festivals.

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Jay Dee House, Chairman Harvest Festival Committee

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I would like to thank everyone that bought a ticket from me for the Princess Contest. Thank you for your support and for supporting the Harvest Festival.

> Sincerely, Jayda Rosas 2009 Festival Princess



Score for Tahoka ... Nelko Garcia drives 3 yards across the goal line for Tahoka's only touchdown of the night against New Deal last Friday, as Larry Saldana (55) of Tahoka celebrates. Blocking for Garcia on the play are Ben Freitag (54) and Kyle Reno (64). The Lions won 58-6. (LCN PHOTO by Tina Wuensche)

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reading. Out the window of the plane I saw a beautiful sunset. The horizon was

a ribbon of dusty orange and pale yellow blending into a deep blue. My thoughts

up into the inky night. There, alone in the heavens, was a star. It reminded me of

God's constant presence in our lives. I kept gazing at the star and reflecting on God's

overwhelming goodness. As the plane began to turn to the southeast, the ribbon on

the horizon faded to black and I lost sight of the star. How often has that happened

in my life? How often have I turned from God only to find darkness and despair?

star came back into view. The star hadn't moved; I had. God doesn't move from

our lives. God is constant, always watching, always waiting, always ready to shine

Prayer: O God, may we keep our heart turned toward you so that we will be aware

Then the plane circled again. The horizon began to show color, and the solitary

turned to the glorious beauty with which God surrounds us.

upon us when we turn from the darkness and seek God's face.

Halfway into the flight, I set down my book to contemplate what I had been

As night settled and the ribbon of light slowly got smaller, I followed the colors

Phebe K. Warner

CLUB NEWS

September 22 in the home of

slide-show on her photographs

of wildflowers and cactus, as

well as her award winning pic-

tures of a combat dance between

wildflowers for more than 25

years; her book "Wildflowers

of the Western Plains" is in its

as a new member. Phebe K.

Warner Club made \$268 at its

day, Oct. 13, 4:30, at the home

of Pat Park. Clyde May will of-

fer a program on the history of

The next meeting is Tues-

booth at the Harvest Festival.

Clyde May was welcomed

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Phebe K. Warner Club met

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Wilson goes down

It was close for more than a half, but eventually the six-man football-team of Christ the King Cathedral of Lubbock wore down the Wilson Mustangs last Friday and managed a 50-32 win over Wilson.

The Mustangs led 14-8 after the first quarter, but were behind 18-14 at halftime. The CTK team outscored Wilson 12-6 in the third and 20-12 in the fourth

For Wilson, Frederick Ramos had 189 yards rushing and 53 on two pass receptions. His longest run was 65 yards, and he averaged 15.7 yards per carry. He scored four touchdowns, including three by rushing. He also was the leading tackler on defense, counted in on 16 tack-

Jordan Guzman gained 80 yards in just six carries, and also scored a touchdown. Guzman, Brandon Bassinger and Francisco Hernandez also did well on defense for Coach Cody Sandlin's Mustangs.

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nanas, chocolate cake Wednesday: Hot dog/chili cheese dog, oven fries, apples, oranges,

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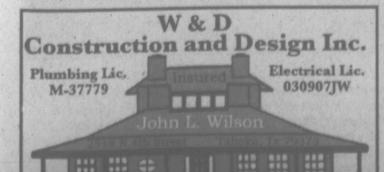
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The seminar is the last of three seminars held for newly appointed Justices of the Peace so they can fulfill their Continuing Judicial Education Requirements of 80 hours of training within the first year of taking office, as set forth in Article 27.005 of the Texas Government Code:

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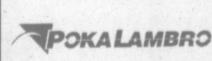
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Queens of the Harvest Festival ... The 2009 Harvest Festival Queen contestants had a different look this year, with nine brave men from the community providing a unique show for the Harvest Festival crowd. The "queen" candidates Included, from left, "Rhonda Stagnasty" (Roddy Gandy), "Tyra" (Ty Askew), "Candle" (Billy Bishop), "Johnna" (John Hawthorne), "Bubbles" (Scott Dimak), "Margarita" (Mike Rivas), "Gertrude" (Bryan Reynolds), "Sharon Husbands" (Drew Stone), and "Darlene" (John Baker). "Gertrude" Reynolds was crowned the 2009 Harvest Festival Queen, which is bound to be a shining achievement for the local ag agent.

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