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The Lynn County News minions got a kick out of reading the

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It's all in fun, and we hope our readers enjoy it too!

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Don't forget to

Daylight Savings Time Ends Sunday, Nov. 3

So turn your clocks BACK one hour when you go to bed on Saturday night.

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LYNN COUNTY SCOREBOARD

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Commissioner Braddock resigns Monday; Co. Judge to resign in special session today

Two positions in county government will change in Lynn County, with one of the four county commissioners officially resigning at Monday morning's commissioner meeting, and the county judge indicating his intent to resign his office in a special session today (Thursday).

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Mike Braddock, Precinct 2 Commissioner for Lynn County, submitted his resignation as commissioner in Monday's meeting, admitting to The News that he intends to run for the County Judge's seat in the upcoming election. Braddock's term would have expired on Dec. 31, 2014, and the Pct. 2 Commissioner seat will be on the ballot of the March 2014 Primary and November 2014 General Election. Braddock has served as Lynn County Commissioner for 16 years and 10 months. The filing period opens Nov. 9 for county elections.

For most county offices, the Texas Constitution provides that it is an automatic resignation for an officeholder to announce candidacy or to file for a public office other than the one currently held if more than a year and 30 days remain in the term.

County Judge H.G. Franklin intends to resign his position today (Thursday), according to a notice of a special session that was posted immediately following Monday's session, for

commissioners to act upon accepting the resignation of the County Judge. The special session is set for 11:10 a.m.

Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas

Oct. 31 in the basement courtroom. Franklin's term will also expire on Dec. 31, 2014, and the four-year position will be up for grabs in the March Primaries and November 2014 General Election. If he resigns his position this week, the commissioners will have the task of appointing someone to serve as interim county judge.

It is likely that the commissioners will set another special session soon after Franklin's resignation becomes official, to appoint an interim judge to serve until voters elect the new judge. Commissioners could appoint Braddock to fill the seat as interim judge, if they so choose, or any other person they deem capable of the job.

The commissioners court may devise the appointment process, as there is no statutorily mandated process for making an appointment. Some counties publish a notice for a time period for interested persons to apply, or ask potential appointees to fill out an application to establish their eligibility for the office. Neither is a required

Braddock's letter of resignation that he presented to the court Monday read, "To whom it may concern:

(See COUNTY OFFICES, page 4)

Mandi Tejeda Duncan announces candidacy for County Judge's seat

"Today, I am announcing my candidacy for Lynn County Judge. This is not a decision I take lightly. I seek to represent you, and to provide positive change in a local government that is ready for a fresh approach.

"As the current Municipal Court Judge for the City of Tahoka, and a Texas licensed attorney, I possess the education and experience necessary to lead the Court with integrity, justice, and efficiency. Beyond that, I wish to see progress and completion of the courthouse restoration project. I am committed to going the extra mile to make this a reality.

"I want to represent you and your interests, and make county business a matter of public awareness. It is time for community involvement, and I want to be the one there to welcome

Mandi Tejeda Duncan is a graduate of Tahoka High School, Texas Tech University, Amarillo College, and Texas Tech University School of Law. She is a member of Tahoka Area Chamber



Mandi Tejeda Duncan

of Commerce, Tahoka Rotary Club. and President of the Tahoka Elementary PTO. Duncan resides in Tahoka with her husband, Michael Duncan, and their four children, Averi, Dylin, Thomis, and Parkir.

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The following ghost stories were submitted by area residents ...

read them if you dare.



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The Lady of the Lake

his is a story of the Lady of the Lake... Tahoka Lake that is! During spring and summer when the moon is full, and sometimes

We believe it all happened when the Pastores were here, before the Angelos arrived. As you may know, the Pastores were sheep herding families from New Mexico. They lived here during the winter months when there was no grazing in the mountains. We still see evidence of some of their building efforts.

when it's not, you can hear her calling. Some folks have even seen her.

One year, spring was late and the folks had to stay longer than was their habit. The last group was not ready to return to New Mexico until the start of summer. Summer is the time for Comanche raids

In the dark of night, a group of warriors stepped into the Pastores' camp, their stealthful steps blanketed by the baying of the sheep. The Comanches kidnapped three small children asleep in their tent, wounding those trying to protect them. The parents survived the raid but could not stay to hunt for the children, for the lack of rain and the hot sun was drying the grasses. At some point in time, probably the following winter, the Pastores' returned to Tahoka Lake. They spent many fruitless days searching for their little ones.

Their mother never recovered from this horrible loss and to this day, roams the shore of the lake calling her children's names. In the winter we cannot hear her, for the noise of the roosting cranes muffles her cries. Those who have seen her say she appears to float along the beaches in a

-- submitted by Clyde May

The Singing Chost

everal years ago, we were celebrating Christmas Eve at my parents' house in the country. The entire family was in the front of the house, watching the children play with the gifts they had just opened

I walked to the back of the house towards the guest bathroom, which is isolated from the front of the house. I could not hear anyone in front talking or laughing. As I got close to the bathroom, I could hear the voice of a small child singing the Christmas song, "We Three Kings."

I broke out in goose bumps and immediately turned back to the front of the house. I know there was not a radio or television on to explain the singing. I told the family what I heard, and one was brave enough to check it out. She didn't hear anything when she went to the back of the house.

I can't explain what I heard, but I know I heard "someone."

-- submitted anonymously

See more Ghost Stories inside



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and Jordan Smith, all of Lubbock,

Krista Spears of Dozier, AL, and

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son Burns of Midland, served as

Best Man. Groomsmen were Zack

Klunick, Cameron Cole, and Matt

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man and Hamilton Raindl, served

Austin. Readers for the ceremony

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emony at Lubbock Country Club.

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graduated from Texas Christian

University with a Business degree.

The bride is self-employed in the

oil and gas industry and received

her undergrad and Master's degrees

A reception followed the cer-

The couple resides in Midland

Nephews of the bride, Whit-

Soloist was Eloy Gonzales of

and Justin Herricks of Lavernia.

as ring bearers.

Bother of the groom, Jack-

Couple exchange wedding vows

Brandi Blair Raindl, of Lubbock and John William Burns, II, of Midland, were united in marriage at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 14, 2013 at Lubbock Country Club in Lubbock. Brad Jurkovich, of Victory Life Baptist Church, Lubbock, officiated the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mitch and Donna Raindl, of Lubbock, formerly of Tahoka, and the granddaughter of R. F. Fort and the late Juanell of Lubbock, and the late Bland and Quinn Draper. The groom is the son of Bill and Patti Burns of Midland, and the grandson of J.W. and Gail Burns and the late Marcia Burns, all of Cypress, and Jean and the late Homer Jack-

Escorted by her father, Mitch Raindl, the bride wore an asymmetrically pleated dress featured valencia organza, along with tulle and point d'esprit, which created ruffled frills that cascaded down the flared skirt. The fitted A-line gown with sweetheart neckline and corset closure included a detachable beaded satin ribbon belt featuring Swarovski crystals.

April Ehlers of Slaton, served

Election to have polls open Election

O'Donnell ISD TRE Election,

New Home ISD Bond Election, **Constitutional Amendment**

Day is Tuesday

cations for Lynn County voters on Tuesday, Nov. 5, for voters to cast ballots in three different elections. Early voting continues through Friday, Nov. 1. Voters are reminded to bring their voter registration cards and some form of photo ID. State law now requires all voters to present a photo identification before they will be permitted to cast a vote, and all election workers must adhere to the new rules. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. at all locations

The O'Donnell ISD Tax Rollback Election (TRE) ballot asks voters to consider approving a tax rate of \$1.17 for Maintenance and Operating (M&O). For voters who reside in Lynn County, the O'Donnell polling place will be at the O'Donnell Community Center on Election Day. However, those OISD voters that reside in Dawson or Terry County will NOT be allowed to vote at the O'Donnell location, and instead will be required to vote at the polling place in the county in which they reside for both the Constitutional Amendment Election and the OISD Tax Ratification Election.

The New Home ISD Bond Election ballot asks voters to consider approving \$4.8 million in bonds for constructing and equipping new facilities at the school. Polls will be open at the New Home Community Center at 109 W. Broadway in New Home.

Lynn County residents may vote in the Special Election for Constitutional Amendments, with polling locations in Tahoka (Life Enrichment Center), O'Donnell (O'Donnell Community Ctr), New Home (New Home Community Ctr), and Wilson (Green Building).

Nine constitutional amendments will be on the ballot in the Special Election for voters to consider. Proposition 1 pertains to property tax exemptions for the surviving spouse of a U.S. military member who is killed in action; Prop. 2 pertains to the creation of a State Medical Education Board

Woodwork

TITH HALLOWEEN drawing nigh, a story out of England about a school that had to be closed down last week because of an invasion of venomous spiders seems fit-

Officials temporarily shut the infested Dean Academy secondary school in Goucestershire so that pest control experts could ex-

There was no word on how long the school would be closed, but you can bet the students are in no hurry to get back into classes. Or the teachers, either, for that matter.

If I were either a student or teacher, about the second time I started to open a book or a desk drawer and I found two or three big poisonous spiders, I would be out of there.

This particular spider, called a false widow, has caused no recorded deaths (how about in a stampede to leave the premises?). but the spider's bite can cause severe swelling and chest pains.

One official believes the spider colonies have been brought to England in imported shipments of bananas.

But another official, a museum expert, said populations of spiders appeared to be increasing and spreading, likely as a response to global warning.

Al Gore, a champion of global warming, probably would like that explanation. He and Obama both could blame George Bush for the spiders—or maybe they could blame Spiderman.

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and State Medical Education Fund; Prop. 3 pertains to taxation of airplane parts in the state; Prop. 4 pertains to property tax exemptions for partially disabled veterans or their surviving spouse in certain circumstances; Prop. 5 would amend the definition of reverse mortgages; Prop. 6 would create a

ORDER TODAY ...

State Water Implementation Fund; Prop. 7 would allow home-rule municipalities to fill short-term vacancies by appointments; Prop. 8 pertains to maximum tax rates for a Hidalgo County hospital district; and Prop. 9 pertains to expanding the types of sanctions that may be assessed against a judge.

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Rifle, phone, TV taken in burglary

On Saturday, police took a complaint from a 19-year-old female that she had been assaulted by

Three persons were jailed here in the last week, one on two counts of application to revoke probation on previous convictions, one for driving while intoxicated/third offense or more, and the other for possession of cocaine. DWI charges also resulted in the arrests of one other male and one female.

A burglary at a residence in the south section of Tahoka reported Sunday resulted in the loss of a cell screen TV, set. The stolen items were valued by the owner, Ricardo Liendo Quintero, at a total of \$770.

The cell phone was described to Tahoka police as a Motorola Droid and the TV set as a 32-inch

her 20-year-old boyfriend.

from Lubbock Christian University.

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The Ghost in the Attic

ack in the middle 60's as a small boy, my family lived in a little rundown house north of Wilson in Lynn County. My father had just gotten out of the military and was attempting to make a living farming. Soon after we moved in we began to hear strange thumping noises in the middle of the night that seemed to be coming from the old attic

Thump, thump, thump started up after midnight every night, but when we tried to investigate the sound it would just stop. My father, after several nights without sleep and some kids going crazy, decided to do something about it. Dad retrieved his gun from the closet and started up the creaky stairs up to the attic, us kids in our beds with covers over our heads waiting for the gun blast.

There was no sound from the attic now, and it seemed like an eternity before we heard his footsteps coming back down the old stairs.

"Nothing," he said, "there is nothing up there but cobwebs and an old ping pong table."

The next day we decided to head to town for groceries and some hamburgers. Returning after dark, we noticed the lights in the old house were now on. This was very strange, for we did not turn on the lights before leaving.

The doors were still locked, but upon entering the living room we saw that my mom's curtains were torn to shreds and there appeared to be blood dripping off of the curtains and on to the floor. There was no evidence of an animal or other cause that might have explained the

bizarre scene.

That was the longest night of my life ... no one closed their eyes that

We packed up all of our belongings and moved to town as soon as we could, and until the day we left the thumping never stopped. To my knowledge, no one ever lived in that old rundown house again.

I occasionally went back to the old house after I had grown up, remembering what had happened and wondering about those unexplainable noises in the attic. I found the old house now was windowless, weeds now grew very tall and the trees had all died. The wind whistling through the windows made the old yellow stucco house moan.

I made my way to the back of the house, looked into the back door and saw the old staircase, and there at the top of the stairs was the darkened attic. The hairs on the back of my neck stood up as I could have sworn I heard a definite thump!

In mysterious circumstances, the old house burned to the ground a few years ago for no apparent reason, taking whatever or whoever was making that terrifying thumping noise in the middle of the night.

-- submitted by Gary Jones

Sarah's Haunting of the Courthouse

arah was 15 when she died in the year of 1919. Her family lived in the southern part of Lynn County and were very prominent people. She was a beautiful girl with a contagious laugh and beautiful green eyes. Her long blonde hair would shine in the sun as she skipped down a street

man and well thought of in the small community. Her mother taught Sunday School and was very cheerful. They were always having people over after church and would feed as many as they had food for.

Sarah and a young man had been keeping company for a very short time when Sarah discovered that she was pregnant. She kept it a secret for as long as she could. Eventually her parents found out and were furious. They were embarrassed and humiliated to learn of their precious daughter's predicament. They were devastated!

Sarah's father decided to take matters into his own hands. He brought Sarah to the Lynn County Courthouse and asked to see the Judge. He begged the Judge to send her away and keep her locked up. Sarah's father felt this would be just punishment. The Judge explained that no law had been broken, therefore, he could not put her in jail. It is

Her father was a very religious she died. She would be sadly missed. I first heard this story when I started working in the courthouse in 1991. Whenever something happens in the courthouse that cannot be explained, Sarah is blamed for it. The elevator will unexpectedly go up or down with no one in it, or when we are working late and we know we

> are the only one here. A local attorney was working in the courthouse late one night and had brought his dog with him. The dog was lying at his feet asleep when he suddenly jumped up and took off into the hall after something. The attorney ran after him but never saw anything. Was it Sarah?

We have had total strangers come in the courthouse and ask about Sarah. The land people that work in my office have all heard the story of Sarah. One came and told us that he felt a presence one day when he was working and felt a rush of air go past him. Was it Sarah?

No one is afraid of Sarah, as she

We were told Sarah roams the halls, looking and searching. She never harms anyone. Maybe she is looking Maybe, she is roaming the halls looking for her long lost love. -- submitted by Susan Tipton Lynn County Clerk

look at the windows on the third

floor facing the North and see a light

shining. We have investigated this and there is never a light left on.

The Haunting of Tahoka School

n the daytime, the hallways are filled with lockers slamming, kids talking, and bells ringing. But once the sun goes down, the halls at Tahoka High School take on an ominous sound and atmosphere.

I don't believe in ghosts, but there are many creepy, and unexplainable things that have happened over the years - and not all at night.

One of the ghostly rumors I heard as a student is a legend of the phantom football player. The story goes that many years ago, a football player passed away while still in high school. Sometimes on Friday nights you can see him kicking field goals.

I hate going into the school anytime it is dark. There is a bad vibe. I have had people tell me they have seen a female figure moving through the hallways. The auditorium is probably the worst place to go, even in the daytime.

I have heard footsteps running overhead on the roof even when do not believe anyone else was at the school, but the best first-hand account happened about four years

In one of my classes around Halloween, we were talking about scary things and ghost stories. I had told the students about the ghostly rumors associated with school. This was in the afternoon, and the students had just finished discussing whether or not they believed in ghosts - some did and some didn't. There was a brief moment of silence when the door rattled as if someone was shaking it. No one was there. We quickly moved on to another

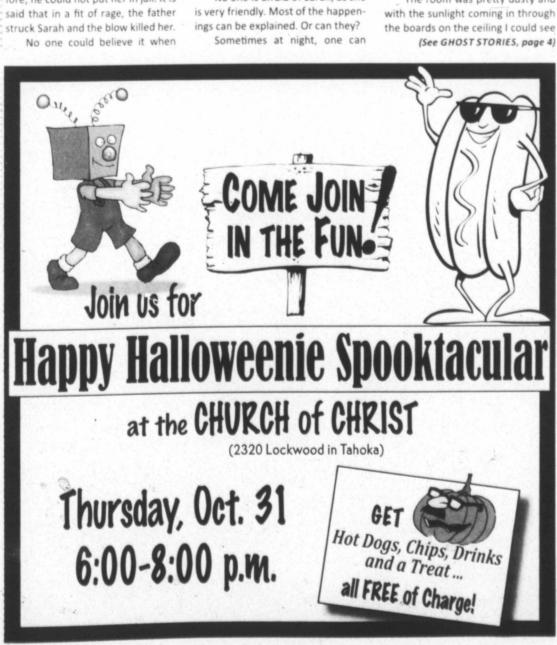
-- submitted by anonymous teacher

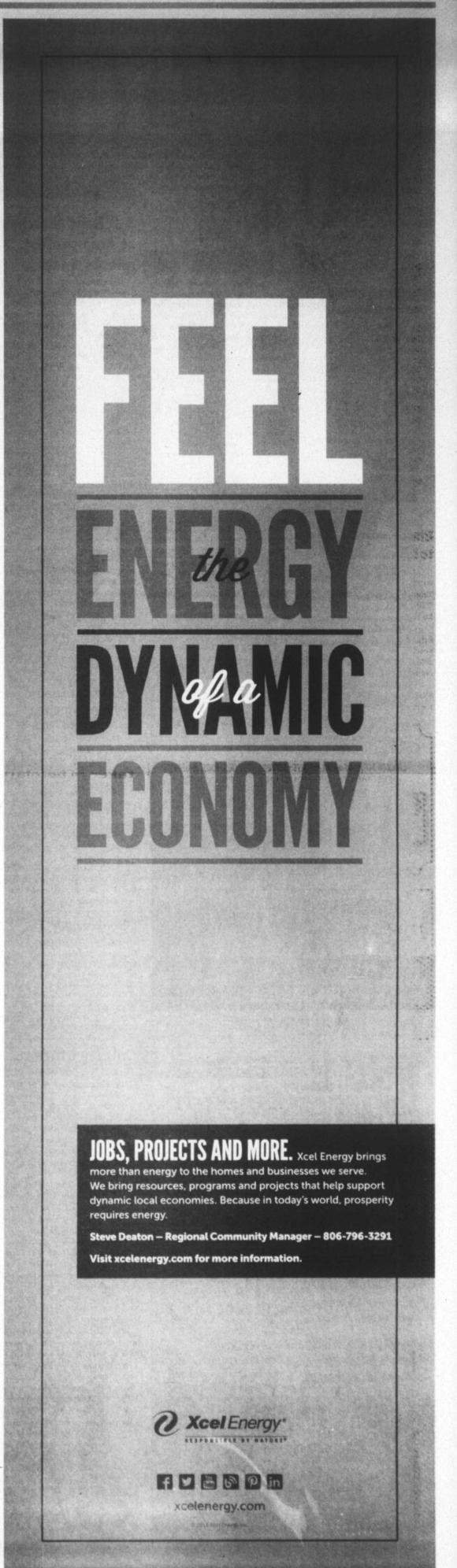
The Hidden Room

hen I was 9, we lived in a two-story house about five miles east of Tahoka on the Post highway. One night after everyone had gone to bed, I stayed up late watching television, that's what we called it back then, and fell asleep on the couch. I was awakened by a clicking sound. When I opened my eyes I saw the channel knob on the television set just turning back and forth, and back and forth, all by itself.

I never told anyone about what I had seen. I think it must have had something to do with the bedroom upstairs. As you entered the room it outside of the house appeared wide. One day I noticed a small hole on the west wall. I could see sunlight coming in through the hole so I figured I would be able to look outside. Instead there appeared a very small room.

The room was pretty dusty and





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Date	High	Low	Precip.
Oct. 22	74	40	
Oct. 23	77	42	
Oct. 24	72	43	
Oct. 25	65	41	
Oct. 26	75	41	
Oct. 27	71	40	
Oct. 28	80	40	
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THS students paint local home for "Make A Difference Day"

Fifteen Tahoka High School National Honor Society members took a day off from classes last Thursday, and spent it scraping, texturing, and painting a house in Tahoka.

For the past several years NHS has worked with the H.O.M.E. ministry group to select a home or other community service project and do light home repair and paint-

This is in conjunction with the National Make a Difference Day, which was Oct. 26. On Make a Difference Day 2013, millions of volunteers across the nation united to improve the lives of others in their communities

"We looked for a community project because we wanted something that would benefit the community," said NHS adviser Rachel Lehman. "We have worked on two different atriums at the high school and were hoping to do something like that around the town."

Instead, the H.O.M.E. group gave NHS the name of a citizen in

"The kids love doing this project every year," said Mrs. Lehman. "It's an all-day project. It's hard work, but they have fun because they know they are helping one of their fellow community members."

NHS president Cort Fisher is one of the members who took part in the Make a Difference Day.

"It always warms my heart to see how doing a simple thing like painting a house can make someone else's life happier," Fisher said. "I believe that we did make a dif-The students do miss a day of

school, Mrs. Lehman said, however, they learn valuable skills caulking, patching, simple home repair and painting - skills that some may not learn otherwise.

"It is a day well-spent," Mrs. Lehman said.

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Tahoka High School principal



Making a difference ... These Tahoka High School NHS students made a big difference to a local woman, volunteering to scrape and paint her house for "Make a Difference Day." Pictured are Cort Fisher, Kaitlyn Lehman, Kordell Baker, Caelan Decker, McKenzie Dimak, Kaycee Lehmann, Elizabeth Locke, Madison Lockaby, Gabriella Pando, Tyler Perez, Abigail Santos, Nicole Taylor, Jeremiah DeLeon, Sonya Gonzales, Dane Rivas, and Dillon Trevino.

3-D Band marches at Area contest, misses finals Last Saturday the Tahoka High

School 3-D Band competed at the Area A 1A Marching Contest in Odessa. This is the sixth consecutive time for the 3-D Band to make it to the Area contest.

check on the group's progress.

"I am very proud of our stu-

Make a Difference Day is just

that they learn about community

service and what it means to give

one of the many school and com-

munity service projects that the

Tahoka NHS chapter undertakes

Featuring the best 1A bands from the Amarillo, Lubbock, Midland-Odessa, and El Paso regions, the contest was a close one. The Tahoka 3-D Band placed 11th and failed to make the finals, for the first time since 2003.

The 3-D Band was the second band to perform in the contest that morning.

"Performing second is always a disadvantage but I believed these amazing kids could overcome it," stated director Carroll Rhodes. "I was very proud of their performance and thought they had improved in several areas from the previous week, but judging is sub-

He added, "The Tahoka 3-D Band wishes to thank all those who came out and supported us at Odessa. Nobody supports their band program like Tahoka does. We especially appreciate Mr. Burleson and the school board providing charter buses for the 3-D Band to travel in style to the competition."

Forsan, Sundown, and New Deal advanced from Area A to the Ull 1A State Marching Contest.

Hazard mitigation planning meeting rescheduled Nov. 8

The Lynn County Hazard Mitigation planning meeting originally scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 23, has been rescheduled for Friday, Nov. 8 at the Lynn County Courthouse in the Commissioners Courtroom (basement level). The meeting will be held at 9:00 a.m. and should last 45-60 minutes.

Any Lynn County citizens involved in emergency management are welcome to attend.

"This meeting is very important to our community and the Office of Emergency Management." said a sponsor.

'Spooktacular' event set tonight

Local residents are invited to the Happy Halloweenie Spooktacular event at the Tahoka Church of Christ fellowship hall tonight (Thursday, Oct. 31) from 6-8 p.m. Bring the whole family for hot dogs, chips, drinks and a treat. The event is free and open to all.

County offices ...

(continued from page 1) I respectfully submit my resignation as Lynn County Commissioner, Precinct 2, effective today, Oct. 28, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. If I can be of further assistance during this transition, please let me know."

In the audience watching Monday's proceedings was county resident John Hawthorne, who had apparently already been contacted as a possible appointee to fill Braddock's seat. The first item on the agenda of the Oct. 31 Special Session names Hawthorne as the County Judge's appointment to fill the vacancy of County Commissioner, Pct. 2, and to act on approving a surety bond on the newly appointed commissioner. The final item on the agenda is for the court to act upon the resignation of the county judge.

In other business in Monday's session, commissioners approved several routine items, including a contract renewal with CIRA, which is the County Information Resource Agency that handles the county's webpage; approving an application for the Indigent Defense Grant funds; approving an application to SPAG for solid waste grant funding; and approving a proclamation stating November to be declared Home Care and Hospice Month.

Budget amendments in several county offices were approved as presented, as well as a \$750 increase for Lynn County's portion of the annual salary for the District Judge, and other line item transfers within the office budgets. Monthly bills were approved, and the meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Election Day lunch, bake sale set at FUMC

First United Methodist Church of Tahoka is once again hosting their Election Day Lunch and Bake Sale for the community on Tuesday, Nov. 5. Lunch will be served in the fellowship hall of the church at 1801 Ave. J. Mexican Stack, chips, brownie and drink will be served at a cost of only \$5 per plate, served from 10:45 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Carryouts will be available, or dine in the fellowship hall.

A table loaded with bake sale items will also offer breads, cakes, pies, cookies, candy, casseroles, etc.

New Home pounds Mustangs, 60-8

Jonathan Flores ran for six touchdowns and Blaine Watts passed to Eric Baker for two more in just one half of play as New Home bounced Wilson 60-8 last week. The Leopards scored 22 points in the first period and 38 more in the second.

Flores ran 1, 27, 20, 71, 45 and 28 yards for his scores while Watts and Baker teamed up on plays of 21 and 33 yards. Watts hit 3 of 9 passes for 58 yards. Flores gained 200 yards in just 7 carries in the game called at halftime on the sixman football 45-point rule.

Brad Walden led the New

Wilson's only TD came in the second quarter when Josh Trice passed 6 yards to Pete Esparza, and Austin Castillo added the conversion point kick. Trice completed 10 of 19 passes for 62 yards, with Esparza catching 7 of the passes for

58 yards.			
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Tahoka School News

Tahoka JV Demolishes Smyer By Mia Saldana

Tahoka JV beat Smyer 42-6 on Oct. 24. Brit Lockaby had a touchdown run with 8:03 left in the 1st quarter. Lockaby scored another touchdown with 5:38 left in the 1st quarter. Nick Garcia ran it in for the extra points. Lockaby completed a pass to Curry Lehman for a touchdown with 1:53 in the 1st quarter. Luke Fleenor ran in for the extra points. Nick Garcia had an interception in the 1st quarter with :53 seconds left.

Lockaby ran a touchdown with 5:36 left in the 2nd quarter. Lockaby completed pass to Fleenor for a bulldog touchdown with :07 left in the 2nd. Hadley Reynolds scored the extra points for a 2 point con-

Garcia had an interception with 7:27 left in the 3rd quarter. Sean Deleon had an interception for a touchdown with 4:36 left in the third. Craig Mendez had a fumble recovery with 2:52 left in the third.

Bulldogs Get Ruffled By Eagles By Kirstin Stice Middle School team lost 30-0

to Sundown on Oct. 17. Eric Saldana had a big night on both offense and defense with impres-

The following ghost stories were submitted by area residents ... read them if you dare.

(continued from page 3)

all the dust particles in the air. There was a twin size iron bed with a mattress and a blanket. An old rusty trunk sat at the foot of the bed. There were boxes piled up on top of each other and dusty clothes laying on the floor.

I did tell my parents, but they just said to quit snooping. After all, the house belonged to the man my Dad was farming for. On the opposite side of the room, I could see that it also had the same kind of wall. I

never did try to make a hole on the east wall because I knew someone had gone to a lot of trouble to put up those walls.

I do remember one of my aunts. telling me one time that she had heard tales of a headless person coming down those stairs - now is that something that you tell a

Anyway, whoever was trying to hide something or someone in that rusty old trunk back then must have got away with murder.

-- submitted by Sylvia Tejeda

The Cemetery Ghost

he story of the Tahoka Cemetery Ghost is one that came from the shenanigans of some teenage boys in the mid 1950s.

This was about 1956, and me and a couple of friends were riding around in a black Mercury convertible on Halloween night. We thought if we could get us some girls, we had already made up a plan to scare them with a ghost story. Our plan was for one of the guys to climb a tree in the cemetery and wait for us with a sheet in the tree.

Well, we got the girls, and told the cemetery, and did they want to drive over there and see the ghosts. Of course, they said yes, so there we go. When we turned into the entrance of the cemetery we blinked our headlights so our guy in the tree would know it was us coming in.

When you turn into the entry, going north, and turn at the tree, then your car headlights would go across the headstones and the headlight beams make it look kind of like ghosts going across. So we told the

girls that these were ghosts, and since it was Halloween we had better give the ghosts some time to get where they were going, as we did not want to bother them. So we sat and talked a bit about ghosts, and then we started up the car and drove that way, stopping underneath the tree.

We started talking about ghosts again, and our friend in the tree dropped the sheet onto our car, which as I said, was a conve with the top down. The sheet landed on one of the girls and she liked to have had a heart attack right there. She leaped up screaming, and - heh, heh - peed all over the back seat!

Of course we thought that was very funny, and after we got through laughing we admitted to the prank and told them how we set it up.

I don't want to say who the girlwas, but she took it very well. And no, it wasn't my wife." - as told to The News

by Jimmy McMillan

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sive runs and tackles, said Coach Overstreet. Rosa Aleman also had a great night on defense, Overstreet said, and made a huge tackle in the late 4th quarter. **Bulldogs Defeat Eagles**

By Mia Saldana

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pastry Thursday: Breakfast club or cereal Friday: Biscuit w/ gravy, sausage patty or oatmeal round

Lunch Monday: Chicken broccoli penne or pizza dippers, salad, breadsticks, carrots, apple slices

Tuesday: Taco salad/baked potato w/ ham & cheese, salad, corn, snowball salad

Wednesday: Steak fingers/chicken nuggets, green beans, mashed potatoes, gravy, apple pineapple d'lite Thursday: BBQ on a bun/chicken quesadilla, black beans, carrots, orange smiles

Friday: Cheeseburger /hamburger or Pizza, salad, veggie cup &

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Sign-up for Christmas for Kids will be this Saturday, from 3-5 p.m. at the Spartan Building (in back). For those interested in assisting with shopping, wrapping, supplies, sign-up assistance, or adopting a family, contact Janet Porterfield at 561-4036 or Linda Owen at 561-5079. Final date to adopt will be Dec. 3.

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NOV. 4-8

Monday: Cereal Tuesday: Mini maple pancakes Wednesday: Mini corn dogs Thursday: Blueberry muffin Friday: Cinnamon pastry Lunch

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cheese, salad, corn, snowball salad Wednesday: Steak fingers, green beans, mashed potatoes, gravy, apple pineapple d'lite

Thursday: BBQ on a bun, black beans, carrots, orange smiles Friday: Cheeseburger, salad, veggie cup & mixed fruit

Tahoka School Menu

NOV. 4-8

Monday: Cereal Tuesday: Sausage bagel Wednesday: Cereal Thursday: Breakfast pizza Friday: Bean & cheese burrito

Lunch Monday: Turkey melt sandwich or spaghetti marinara w/ meat sauce Tuesday: Hamburger or pepperoni

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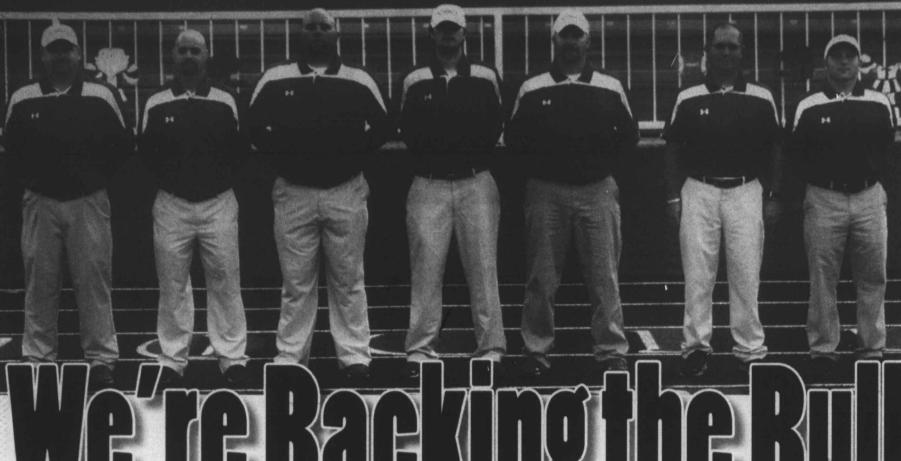
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Ball control... Sundown controlled the ball more than 30 of the 48 minutes in the Oct. 18th game here, winning 33-12 with a strong running attack. In the above photo, a Roughneck player just behind Tahoka's Mikkel Garza (33) has the ball, while Bulldogs Domenique Herrera (55), Marcus Vega (51), Ray Parmer (17) and

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Caelan Decker (63) move in to help on defense.

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