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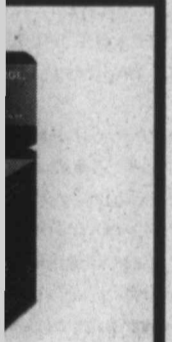
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Defensive training at Wilson ISD ...

Wilson ISD Principal Kristi Burtch takes aim at a shooter entering the classroom, in a simulated attack training at the school Friday. Wilson ISD staff underwent two days of school security training provided by Lynn County Sheriff's Office personnel last week. The training included classroom sessions on school security tactics as well as some intensive hands-on training with weapons firing small paintballs, instructions on how to barricade a classroom, and other defensive measures to secure student safety. Lieutenant Pete Vallejo (right corner) led the training, and Marcus Vega, a jailer at LCSD, played the part of the shooter. In the background are Vondi Braddock and Ricky Mata, and Nella McInroe Roudy is in the foreground. See story on page 8. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

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Get your Game On!
This week in football:

Tahoka at Plains
Hale Center at New Home
O'Donnell at Southland
Whiteface JV at Wilson (Aug 30)



Meet your Bulldogs!

During football season, our Tahoka Bulldogs are featured each week on The Lynn County News football page (starts this week), sponsored by local advertisers. Meet the Bulldogs, and test your knowledge of Sports Trivia on the ad!



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What's Outside

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Aug 21	87	66	
Aug 22	92	66	
Aug 23	94	70	
Aug 24	96	69	
Aug 25	98	70	
Aug 26	98	73	
Aug 27	96	73	

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

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

Dick Van Hoose named Tahoka ISD Interim Superintendent

Tahoka Independent School District Board of Trustees met in special session last Tuesday, appointing Dick Van Hoose as interim superintendent for Tahoka ISD, to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Supt. Alan Umholtz in September.

Van Hoose is a retired superintendent, and served Tahoka ISD earlier this year as interim elementary principal during the spring semester. Trustees felt it would be an advantage to ask Van Hoose to return to Tahoka ISD since he already knows staff members and has a good idea of how the district operates.

"Since he knows our staff and district so well, this will be a smooth transition," Supt. Umholtz told *The News*.

Harvest Festival is next Saturday

The 43rd Annual Lynn County Harvest Festival will be held at the Tahoka Mini-Park next Saturday, Sept. 8, featuring live entertainment, food and craft booths, games, and cash prizes from audience participation. The Harvest Festival Princess and Queen will be named during the afternoon, and a street dance will conclude the day's activities.

In conjunction with the event, Tahoka Elementary PTO is sponsoring a Fun Run and Walk event that morning, with a one-mile route that begins at 8 a.m. Call Shea at 806-759-0225 to register, or for more information.

The Harvest Festival fun starts at 10 a.m. with Lynn County 4-H sponsoring turtle races for the children (kids must bring their own turtles, decorated, for the races). Admission to the festival is free. Bring lawn chairs for seating at the park.

Food, craft, and game booths also open at 10 a.m. For information about booth space, contact booth chairman Rebecca Ingle at 561-4440. Booths close at 5 p.m.

This year's raffle tickets sold by princess and queen contestants features 16 chances to win \$4000 in prizes, including two \$1,000 grand prizes.

Booths and other daytime events will close at 5 p.m. at the Harvest Festival, but the fun starts up again at 8 o'clock with a street dance at the mini-park. Lynn County Hospital District Employees are sponsoring the Harvest Festival Street Dance from 8-11 p.m.



Where now? are they now?

Where are Tahoka High School exes, and what are they doing now? Send us a few sentences about any Tahoka ex, tell us what year they graduated and where they are now, what job they have, etc. We will publish in next week's Homecoming issue -- deadline is noon Tuesday.

Share the good news!
Email to: LynnCoNews@poka.com or share on our facebook page

DID YOU KNOW ...

Bricks on Tahoka streets are historical pavers from a "ghost town"

The heavy red brick pavers that form the downtown streets around the square of Tahoka hold a piece of history within their midst. Not only have these brick pavers held Tahoka's history, from the early days of horse-drawn wagons when the town was just beginning, through the span of early-day automobiles to the sleek smart-cars of today that move across their surface, but the bricks themselves have another story to tell - it's the story of their beginnings.

The red brick pavers on Tahoka's streets bear no visible markings on the road surface. But when these bricks were dug up during the waterline replacement project in the downtown area, closer inspection showed the words "Thurber Brick Co." still visible on the ends of some of the bricks. Research into the Thurber Brick Company brought some interesting facts to life, and also revealed that the town of Thurber, Texas was once a thriving coal-mining and brick-building company-owned town that is now considered a "ghost town."

Tahoka's downtown area and South First Street were paved with the bricks in 1923, a total of about 18 blocks, according to historical information in "Grassroots Upside Down: A History of Lynn County, Texas" (page 142). In June of 1922, Tahoka voted 273-47 for issuance of \$30,000 in street paving bonds, and Lynn County assisted in paving

the square. With the brick-paved streets completed in 1923, Tahoka joined Plainview and Lubbock as the only towns on the Plains south of Amarillo with paved streets at that time.

Those bricks apparently came from the Thurber Brick Company, which was in the height of its heyday for providing the heavy red-clay brick pavers to much of Texas and other areas.

According to internet research, the bricks used to pave Congress Avenue in Austin came by train from Thurber, then a bustling industrial city of 10,000 halfway between Fort Worth and Abilene. Thurber was a wholly company-owned town, right down to the last nail in the last miner's house, and became a union town populated by mostly foreign workers.

A company town if there ever was one, Thurber had its beginning (See BRICKS FROM GHOST TOWN, page 3)



Re-laying history brick-by-brick ... Ryan Rodriguez (left) and Ricky McBride, with Cemtech Concrete company, were laying brick in the street just north of the Lynn County News office last week, replacing the historical bricks after they had been dug up for laying Tahoka water lines in the city waterline replacement project. After the bricks were removed for laying the pipelines, workers spent several days cleaning the old mortar or concrete off the sides of each and every brick, before it was relaid in the street. Upon closer inspection of the bricks, the *News* staff discovered the words "Thurber Brick Co." engraved on them, which, as it turns out, is a whole other piece of history about a town that now exists only as a "ghost town." (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)



Did you know?

“ Humans share the planet with as many as 8.7 million different forms of life, scientists estimate. ”

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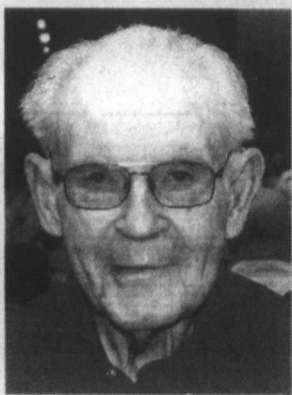
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Obituaries



J.W. Phillips

John Walter Phillips, known best as J.W., passed away on Sunday, August 19, 2018, at the age of 83. He was born December 27, 1934, to Kensie Walter and Ina Mae (Henry) Phillips. He graduated from Tahoka High School and went on to attend Wayland Baptist University. After an honorable discharge from the U.S. Army, he farmed and worked various retail jobs, as well as served as a crossing guard for LISD. He was a member of Bacon Heights Baptist Church and the Agape Sunday School Class. Services were under the direction of Combest Family Funeral Homes. J.W. was preceded in death by his parents; first wife, Velma Dee in 1992; sister, Villa Craig (Wayland); and son-in-law, John Baker.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife of almost 25 years,



Bus tour ... At the City/County Library's storytime last Wednesday, children were taught some rules for bus safety, and had their own stop signs. After storytime the young patrons got to take a "magical" bus around the town singing some of their favorite songs. "We would like to thank Tahoka ISD for letting the library use their bus," said Rhonda McNeely, Program Director for the library.

Annabel; children, D'Ann Sullivan (Danny), Danette Baker, Johnna Phillips (Dwight Foyil), Gary Swann (Linda), Pamela Shuttlesworth, Tammie King (Tommy); brother, Terry Phillips (Glenda); 11 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren. (PAID)

TLP Visitor Center closed for September

The Tahoka Lake Pasture Visitor Center will be closed during the month of September, according to Clyde May, owner. The grounds will remain available for visitors, however, if any groups are planning to visit, she said.

NEWS from the Library

CITY-COUNTY LIBRARY
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(inside the Life Enrichment Center)

"Make and Take" or "Take and Make" Fundraiser

Safari Friends are ready to go home with you! Stop by City-County Library during your wait for the Homecoming parade and adopt a loving friend! Elephants, tigers, monkeys and giraffes will be ready to "Make and Take" or "Take and Make". These 15" soft furry animals, along with a carrying bag and animal's birth certificate will bring joy to the hearts of their owners. Stop by, September 7th and take advantage of the first come, first serve basis before the Harvest Festival booth is set up on Saturday, September 8th.

Yearbooks Wanted

The City-County Library is looking for yearbook donations from any of the four County Schools in Lynn County. These books will be marked "non-circulation" and only used for library purposes. If you have any you would like to donate you can bring it/them by the library during normal business hours. Monday-Thursday 9:00 am- 6:00 pm or Friday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm or use our book drop outside for your convenience. If you have any yearbook to loan us during the Homecoming Festivities, that would be welcomed as well.

THS Class of 83 sets reunion plans

The members of the Tahoka High School Class of 1983 are invited to a 35-year class reunion at Tahoka's 2018 Homecoming. Class members will meet Friday night, Sept. 7, during and after the football game at John and Tammy Curry's home. On Saturday evening, members are invited to Roddy and Marci Gandy's pond.

For more information, call Marci Gandy at 806-544-1719.

Senior Citizens LUNCH MENU

September 3-7
Monday: CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY
Tuesday: Beef & bean chili verde, white rice, salad, cantaloupe
Wednesday: Lasagna, salad, spinach, banana
Thursday: Oven fried chicken breast, bow tie pasta, fruit cocktail
Friday: BBQ beef sandwich, tater tots, carrots & zucchini, Ambrosia
Mark your calendars...
• **DONATIONS:** We are now accepting donations of your new or handcrafted items, baked goods, etc., for the Lynn County Harvest Festival Silent Auction to be held Sept. 8. All proceeds will benefit the Building Fund! Items may be delivered to the Center or contact the center at 561-5264 for pick up.

EMT course to be offered in Tahoka

Lynn County will have an EMT course starting September 4, running through December 20, 2018. Classes will be held on Tuesday and Thursday nights, 6 pm-10 pm, and one Saturday per month concurrently with EMT course, at Lynn County Hospital in Tahoka.

At the completion of the third module, students will have the opportunity to select the EMT or ECA track. ECA students are not required to do clinical rotations.

Please call Lynn County EMS at 806-998-4533 x 505 to sign up, or email EMS Director John Baker at jrbaker@lchdhealthcare.org.

New Home School Menu

- September 3-7
Breakfast
Monday: NO SCHOOL
Tuesday: Sausage kolache/ Cereal
Wednesday: Breakfast taquito/PBJ
Thursday: Waffles, sausage/ Parfait
Friday: Breakfast pizza/ Breakfast Crackers, cheese sticks
Lunch
Tuesday: Breaded drumsticks/Pizza/Chef salad (Daily)
Wednesday: Crispy tacos/ Frito pie
Thursday: Lasagna/Chicken nuggets
Friday: Burgers/Hot dogs

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Bricks from "ghost town" ...

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in 1888 when the Texas and Pacific Co. began mining coal there. Only company miners, along with some school teachers and preachers, were allowed to live in Thurber, and the miners were a diverse group representing some 18 or so ethnic groups. Italians made up more than half of the work force with Poles representing about 12 percent. Others came from Britain, Ireland, Mexico, Germany, France, Belgium, Austria, and Sweden and from coal mining regions of the U.S. By the turn of the century, Thurber was the leading coal-producing area in the state and Texas' coal output exceeded the value of all other minerals combined.

In 1897, looking for a way to take advantage of leftover non-commercial pea coal as well as the rich deposits of shale clay in the area, the company diversified and began manufacturing brick in addition to mining. Before long, the Thurber brick plant was the largest and busiest west of the Mississippi.

At its height of operation, the plant produced 40 varieties, from common brick (used in building construction) to numerous styles of the heavier pavers. Eight hundred workers produced 80,000 bricks a day.

Thurber-made vitrified bricks spread all over Texas and the Southwest. Thurber bricks paved many Texas highways and streets, including Congress Avenue in downtown Austin, and were

used to construct the Galveston Sea Wall, the Bankhead Highway, Camp Bowie and the Fort Worth Stockyards.

Streets in Amarillo, Austin, Breckenridge, Fort Worth — and Tahoka — and many more places were paved with them. In all, hundreds of miles of roadway and even an experimental highway in the Belton-Temple area consisting of two rows of bricks just wide enough for automobile tires, were built. Thurber bricks also covered parts of U.S. 80.

The brick plant ceased operations in 1931.

In 1933, in the middle of the Great Depression, the company announced that the town was being abandoned. The utility poles were taken down and the wire was salvaged. The houses were boarded up and supplies were sold at cost in the company store. The company abandoned the town, salvaging what it could and reportedly dynamiting the rest. All that remains of the once-thriving town is the tall brick smokestack and a few other buildings.

Today, Thurber is considered a "ghost town." Situated in the northeast corner of Erath County, almost to the Palo Pinto County line, Thurber was different from every other Texas town of its time, because it was a wholly-owned company town whose purpose, and life, was solely based on coal mining and brick-making. When that purpose ended, so did the town.

A piece of that history, however, lives on in the streets of Tahoka. When driving down the red-brick streets of the downtown square, remember the story of Thurber, Texas, and how these streets were created brick by brick, 95 years ago, in a place that no longer exists.

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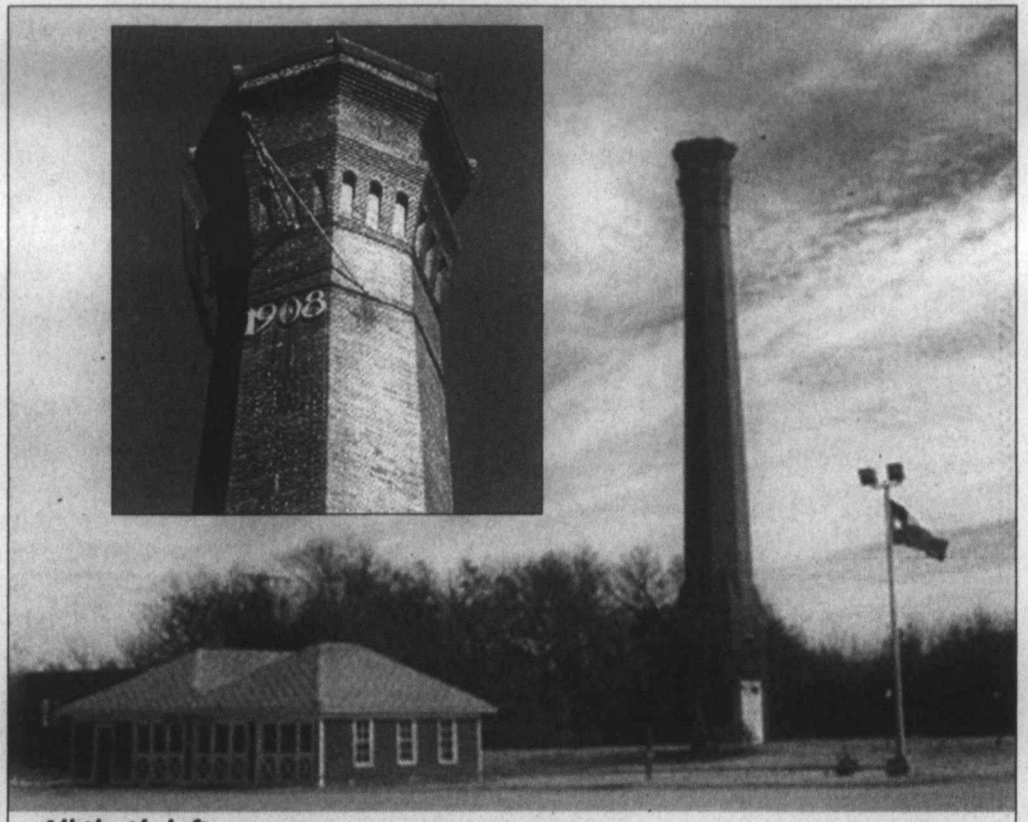
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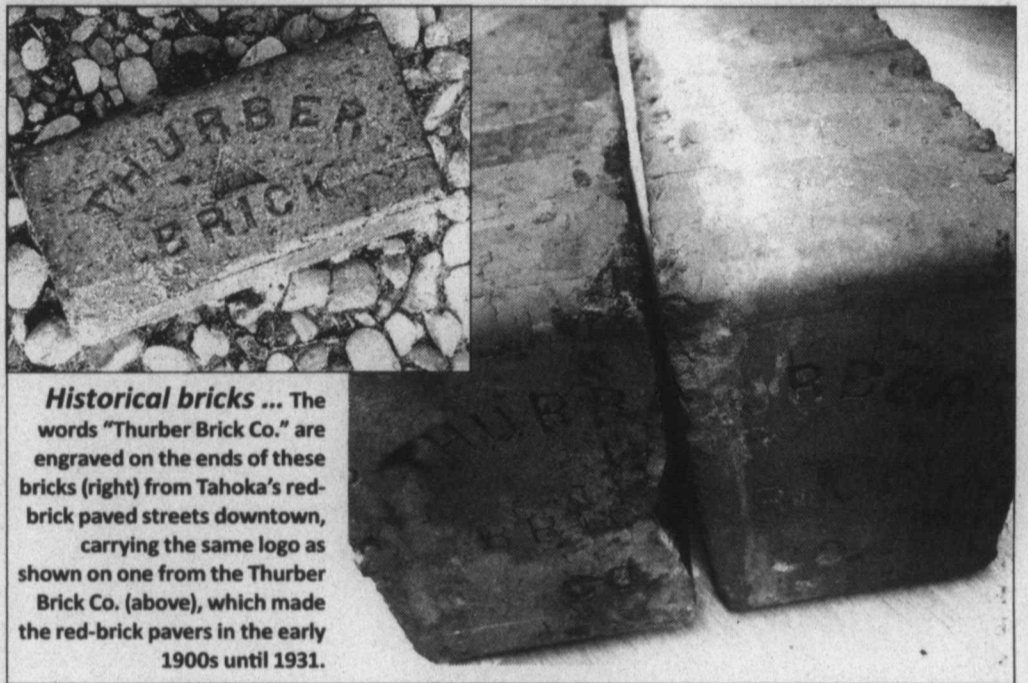
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All that's left ... The 1908 smokestack in Thurber, Texas, along with three other buildings, is reportedly all that remains of the "ghost town" today.



Historical bricks ... The words "Thurber Brick Co." are engraved on the ends of these bricks (right) from Tahoka's red-brick paved streets downtown, carrying the same logo as shown on one from the Thurber Brick Co. (above), which made the red-brick pavers in the early 1900s until 1931.



LCHD employees give to community ... Lynn County Hospital District employees donated \$195.50 plus two boxes of school supplies to O'Donnell schools, in the hospital's annual school supply drive for county schools. Pictured is LCHD CEO Melanie Richburg and Sharla Edwards, O'Donnell Elementary Principal. Last year, LCHD employees donated school supplies and funds to Wilson ISD, and the previous year to Tahoka ISD.

Dove hunting season officially begins Saturday, September 1st

Local hunters and area game wardens are preparing for an increase in activity as local sportsmen will enjoy the official start to dove season. Texas citizens will enjoy an extended dove season for the third year in a row. Hunting season will run from September 1st-November 4th and then later from December 21st-January 14th in the North zone where the panhandle region is located.

Roughly 15 percent of the nation's 300 million mourning

dove reside in Texas, along with about 15 million white-winged doves at the beginning of September. Each fall, over 300,000 Texas dove hunters take to the field in pursuit of these acrobatic, fast-flying game birds.

"Texas is uniquely situated to catch a lot of migratory birds as they move through the central part of the continent. Couple that with the fact that we are such a big state with diverse habitats, and it makes sense that we have such large numbers of doves," said Owen Fitzsimmons, TPWD Dove Program Leader.

Public information officer Aaron Sims explains that district game wardens eagerly wait for the hunting season to begin. "Game wardens are just as excited as hunters for September 1st to roll around. We've already begun marking locations that will be busiest in hunting activity, as well as speaking with citizens reminding them of the specific species bag limits and restrictions," Sims said.

Sims says that all available wardens will be out in force throughout the region ensuring hunters are abiding by the laws.

"One of the many violations that we might encounter would be hunters not abiding by their daily bag limit." The daily bag limit for dove is 15, which means that a hunter cannot exceed taking 15 dove in a single day. Sims also advises that hunters abide by the legal

shooting hours and to double check those official times prior to hitting the fields. Migratory game birds can legally be hunted 30 minutes prior to sunrise until sunset.

There is no closed season or bag limit restrictions for Eurasian collared-doves or common pigeons (rock doves). However, it is recommended that hunters leave plumage on these birds for species identification to verify they are not part of a migratory game bird daily bag or possession limit.

All hunters are reminded that hunting licenses expire each year on Aug. 31, so a new license for 2018-19 is needed prior to going dove hunting. Licenses may be purchased at sporting goods retailers, TPWD Law Enforcement offices, and online through the TPWD website at www.tpwd.state.tx.us/buy. The online transaction system is available 24/7.

Hunting and fishing regulations for the new season can be found in the 2018-2019 Outdoor Annual, available at license retailers and online at www.txoutdoorannual.com. The mobile app available enables hunters to carry the Outdoor Annual with them on their mobile devices. To download the free app, visit <http://www.txoutdoorannual.com/app> or search the iTunes App Store, Amazon AppStore or Google Play for Outdoor Annual - Texas Hunting and Fishing Regulations.

Harvest Festival Queen and Princess candidates are selling 2 different tickets to win \$4000 in prizes!

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 \$1.00 Donation (Need not be present to win)

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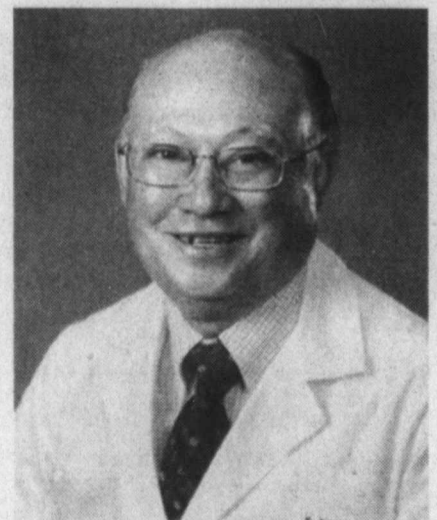
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Hospital District proposing to lower tax rate by 3-cents

by JUANELL JONES

Lynn County Hospital District Board of Directors voted to propose a property tax rate that is 3-cents lower than the current tax rate, during action taken at last Thursday night's board meeting. Directors proposed a 2018 property tax rate of \$0.258800, which is 3-cents lower than the current rate of \$0.289922, and just under the rollback rate of \$0.258857.

Although the proposed tax rate is lower than last year's rate, it is higher than the effective tax rate of \$0.239683 (the amount that would bring in the same amount of tax revenue as the previous year), so the proposed tax rate is considered a tax increase, and LCHD must have two public hearings for citizen input. These public hearings on the proposed tax rate were scheduled for 6 p.m. Sept. 6, and 12 noon Sept. 17, both at the Hospital Meeting Room.

In other business during Thursday's meeting, a public hearing for the 2018-19 budget was held, with no citizens attending, and the budget was later approved.

The LCHD O'Donnell Clinic project was discussed. According to CEO Melanie Richburg, the project is on hold temporarily due to completing legal requirements re-

garding the land that is being donated for the project, which requires signatures of all heirs of the property for tax purposes.

"I anticipate that the property should be available for access for the building project within 60 days," Richburg told The News. "The construction phase should take 90-120 days, so we are hopefully looking at completion possibly in February. The plan for the O'Donnell clinic is for a building similar to the Tahoka Family Wellness Clinic facility," she added.

During financial reports some discussion was held on how the hospital receives funding and factors affecting those funds, including insurance reimbursement. Richburg told The News that healthcare finance is a complicated process, and that the main way for citizens to help their local hospital is to utilize its services whenever possible.

"We need our citizens to use our healthcare providers for their healthcare needs, and if prescriptions, labs or xrays are needed we can provide that service," said Richburg. "Let us be your primary care physicians at LCHD, and if you need specialized care we can refer you to those specialty physicians - our goal is to

provide the best care for our patients. If you don't know if we can help you with your healthcare needs, please call us and talk to us about it," she added.

She also advises area citizens to talk to the pharmacists at LCHD's Tahoka Drug about their prescription needs. "There are several options available for providing prescriptions, and we want you to get the best price available. If you don't know if we can fill your prescriptions for a lower price than you may be getting somewhere else, just call and ask," she adds.

Monthly bills, staff reports, and governing board bylaws were approved at the meeting, and the six directors present at the meeting also underwent board education on several issues, including healthcare financing and judiciary responsibility of the board.

Board President Dr. Ed Smith led the meeting, with directors Sharon Isham, Cal Huffaker, Mary Gayle Raindl, Jana Bishop and Connie Donald present, as well as Richburg and other hospital administrative staff. Director Manuel DeLeon was absent.

This Month in History - August

The first picture of earth from the moon is taken by Lunar Orbiter 1. (Aug. 23, 1966)

The waffle iron is patented by Cornelius Swarthout of Troy, NY. (Aug. 24, 1869)

Ivan the Terrible, the first Tsar of Russia, was born. (Aug. 25, 1530)



We like our new classrooms ... Students and staff began classes at Tahoka Middle School's brand new building last week, happy to be in their new home after the demolition of the former middle school building this summer. The new classrooms feature all new furnishings as well, including some desks that students can actually write on, as they are finished with the shiny white surface for dry-erase markers. One of the math teachers said that the desks were working well for students to work out their math problems. The Middle School campus is for sixth, seventh and eighth graders.

(LCN PHOTOS by Juanell Jones)



Big dog prints ... Members of the Tahoka Bulldog Booster Club were busy Saturday painting Bulldog paw prints on N. 4th Street leading to the school, as well as in driveways of area residents who asked for the paw prints. Garrett McCarty and Miranda Stice are holding the paw print template while Juan Pesa-sina sprays the paint. The paw print painting is a sure sign every year that school has started at Tahoka ISD, and that Bulldog fans are ready to show their school spirit. Volunteer crews worked both the morning and afternoon hours on Saturday to get the paw prints completed. (LCN PHOTO by Juanell Jones)

Please visit these Lynn County Churches

New Home Church of Christ
324 N. Main • Box 188 • New Home, TX 79383 • (806) 924-7579
MINISTER: VICTOR ELLISON
Bible Class - 10:00 am
Sunday Worship Service - 10:45 am
Wednesday Evening Bible Study - 7:00 pm

Failing to listen to God
Genesis 3:1-6
Listening to God is not a one-time event. We must continually keep His Word before us, or we'll begin to listen to the wrong voices.
In Genesis 2:16-17, the Lord gave a command not to eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. But Eve began to listen to another voice and did not hold firmly to her Creator's words. All that Satan had to do was plant a seed of doubt about God's integrity and offer Eve one appealing advantage of doing things her own way—and she fell for it. He mentioned wisdom, but using her own reasoning, Eve added two more benefits to the temptation: the fruit is good for food and a delight to the eyes.

Sweet Street Baptist Church
1300 AVENUE J • BOX 751 • TAHOKA, TX 79373 • (806) 561-5310
DAVID EARNEST, PASTOR • (806) 438-5105
Sunday School - 9:45 am
(A Bible Study Class for all ages)
Morning Worship - 10:50 am
(Uplifting Music - Message from God's Word)
Wednesday Night - 6 pm
Prayer & Bible Study, Children & Youth Ministries
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Tahoka Trinity Church
1925 Lockwood • Box 1166 • 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

The schemes of the enemy have not changed. He still whispers lies and twists truth to convince us that God can't be trusted and His ways are not the best. In every temptation, there is a deception about the character and motive of God, plus an attractive promise of a better way. The world is filled with voices that vie for our attention and influence our thoughts and actions. Throughout the day, consider the messages that are sent your way through the media and people. Consciously begin to compare them to what Scripture says about God and His ways.
Remembering what the Lord says in His Word is our safeguard against deception and temptation. Devotions read during our quiet time won't protect us if they're quickly forgotten during the day. Follow Jesus Christ's example: Be ready with truth in your mind and on your tongue whenever temptation strikes.

First Methodist of Tahoka
1801 Ave. J • Tahoka • (806) 561-4503
email: functahoka@poka.com
SUNDAYS: Sunday School - 9:30 am
Sunday Worship - 10:30 am (Fellowship Hall)
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Let the Children Come
LCHD CHILD CARE 7 am-6 pm M-F
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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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Remembering what the Lord says in His Word is our safeguard against deception and temptation. Devotions read during our quiet time won't protect us if they're quickly forgotten during the day. Follow Jesus Christ's example: Be ready with truth in your mind and on your tongue whenever temptation strikes.
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.

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

Wilson St. John Lutheran Church
13th & Dickson • Wilson, TX 79381 • (806) 628-6573
Sharing Christ's message of forgiveness and salvation with our community and beyond.
TONDA FREITAG, PLM
Sunday School - 9:30 am • Sunday Worship - 10:45 am

New Home United Methodist Church
Pastor Madoc Thomas
(806) 470-2939
emt@madocthomass.com
350 N. Main • New Home, TX 79383
(806) 924-7549
Sunday School 9:45 am • 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

TAHOKA Church of Christ
2320 Lockwood • Box 1177 • Tahoka, TX 79373
(806) 561-4060 • email: tcoc@poka.com
Sunday School - 10:00 am
Sunday Worship - 11 am
Fellowship & Devotion - Wednesday 6:30 pm

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
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Sunday Morning Worship - 9:15 am

TAHOKA Church of Christ
2320 Lockwood • Box 1177 • Tahoka, TX 79373
(806) 561-4060 • email: tcoc@poka.com
Sunday School - 10:00 am
Sunday Worship - 11 am
Fellowship & Devotion - Wednesday 6:30 pm

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Wed. Youth/Children's Activities 7:00 pm

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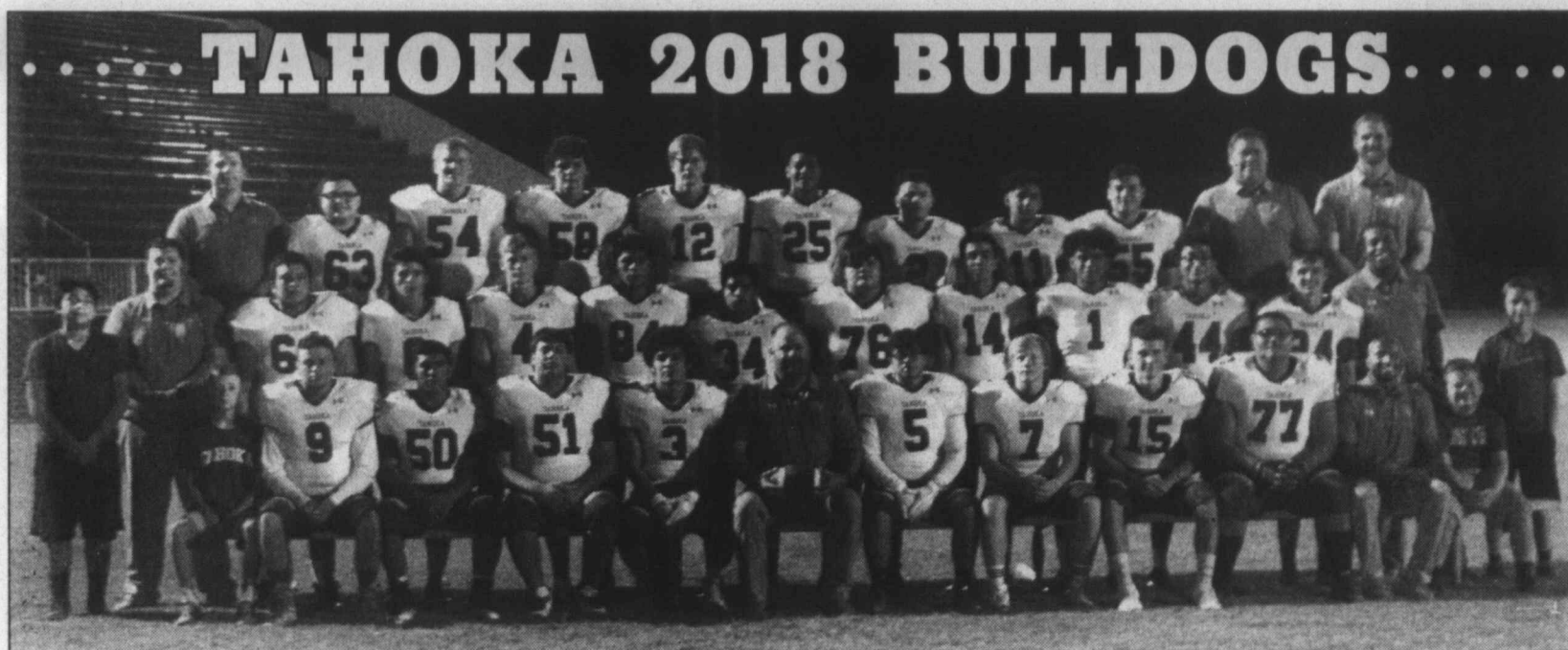
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READY FOR SOME FOOTBALL

The 2018 Tahoka Bulldogs are ready for their season opener, traveling to Plains on Friday night, under the direction of AD/Head Coach Stephen Overstreet and his staff. Kickoff is at 7:30 p.m. The first home game for the Bulldogs is next Friday, Sept. 7, which is also Tahoka's Homecoming.

(Photo courtesy Heather Tekell)

Lynn County Office of Emergency Management encourages citizens to participate in Earth-EX 2018

Lynn County Office of Emergency Management encourages area citizens to participate in Earth-EX 2018. This year's EARTH EX 2018 Exercise started on August 22, and is available for access for a 30-

day period. "We encourage all citizens to utilize this free emergency preparedness training, to determine your family's preparedness level, to respond and recover from a disaster situation,"

said Bill Schoemann, Emergency Management Coordinator for the Lynn County Office of Emergency Management.

Interested citizens may register online at <https://www.eis-council.org/EarthEx.aspx>.

"If you wish to participate at the family level, choose the Individual and Family Sector tract," instructs Schoemann.

"This year's exercises focuses on a Black Sky Hazard, which is a catastrophic event that severely disrupts the normal functioning of our critical infrastructures in multiple re-

gions for long time durations. We have recently seen this type of event play out over the last year in Puerto Rico, following Hurricane Maria," he explained.

A video showing Puerto Rico six months after Hurricane Maria Landfall may be viewed online at <https://binged.it/2OZGP8i>.

"If your family is prepared for this worse case type of disaster, you should be prepared for the disaster threat found in West Texas," said Schoemann.

For more information contact the Lynn County Office of Emergency Management at 806-561-5244.

TAHOKA VS PLAINS

Friday, August 31
THERE at 7:30 p.m.



Thank You, **TAHOKA COACHES** and your families for giving your time & dedication to our youth, for enjoying the good times, toughing out the hard times, and building a "family" of young athletes.

Coaches and Families... Coach BRIG GERLICH, and wife Nicole; Coach JOSHUA REESE, and wife Macie, daughter Kennedy; Coach JUSTIN GORMAN, wife Jennifer, twins Cooper & Masyn (4); AD/Head Coach STEPHEN OVERSTREET wife Kayla, and children Cooper and Canton; Coach LONNIE BURNAM, and wife Kadie, twins Trigg and Addie (4); Coach KAVIN COMER (nickname The Cajun), wife Haley; Assistant Coach/Manager DJ TILLMAN, a former Bulldog, is in his 19th year of assisting, encouraging and supporting The Bulldogs!

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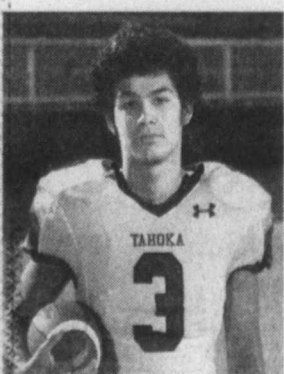
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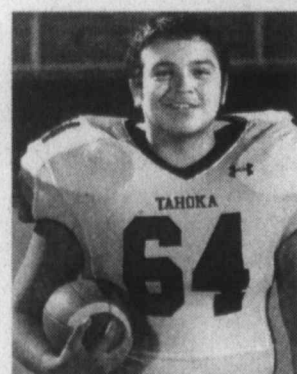
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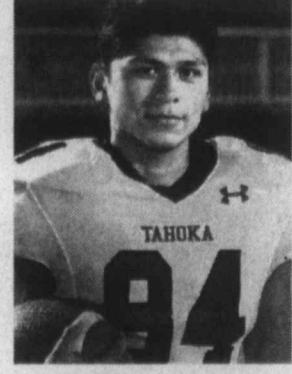
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Hidden talent: Magician • Favorite Movie: Rudy • What is your subject in school? • Reading • Who would you like to have dinner with? • Coach Overstreet • Favorite College Football Team & player: Tech, Dakota Allen



#64 - NICODEMUS AYALA
JUNIOR • OL/DL
Nickname: Nic • Favorite pastime: Lifting weights • Hidden talent: Dancing • Who would you like to have dinner with? • Selena Gomez • Favorite college football team: Texas Longhorns



#84 - CHRISTIAN BRIONES
JUNIOR • TE/DB
Nickname: Richie • Who would you like to have dinner with? • Dad • What would you do with a Million Dollars? Take care of the people around me • Favorite school subject: Spanish • Favorite Movie: Star Wars

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
Aug. 31	Plains	There	7:30
Sept. 7	Roosevelt**	Here	7:30
Sept. 14	Brownfield	Here	7:30
Sept. 21	Littlefield	There	7:00
Sept. 28	Sundown	Here	7:30
Oct. 5	OPEN		
Oct. 12	New Home*	There	7:00
Oct. 19	Crosbyton*	There	7:00
Oct. 26	Ralls*	Here	7:00
Nov. 2	Lockney*	There	7:00
Nov. 9	Smyer*	Here	7:00

*District games ** Homecoming

FOOTBALL TRIVIA

- This quarterback had the longest active streak of consecutive starts...
- Michael Vick was the 1st quarterback taken in the 2001 draft. Who was the 2nd quarterback taken?
- The University of Delaware has produced more Super Bowl quarterbacks than the University of Miami. True or False?
- Who holds the NFL record for the most touchdown receptions in a single season?

ANSWERS:

1. Eli Manning whose record was broken last year
2. Drew Brees
3. True
4. Randy Moss with 23

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First Baptist Church of Tahoka is accepting applications for a nursery worker for Sunday mornings, 2nd and 4th Monday evenings, and Wednesday evenings. Pick up application at FBC church office, 1701 Ave. K, Tahoka. Call 806-561-4557 for more information.

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Do you need extra income? Good solid operating business, requires little time or labor. Building, land and equipment. For more information contact **Kent Powers 806-241-4015**

LEGAL NOTICES

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
CITY OF TAHOKA
TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM- COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND

The City of Tahoka will hold a public hearing at 5:05 p.m. on Wednesday, September 5, 2018 at Tahoka's City Hall in regards to the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Agriculture for a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TxCDBG) Community Development Fund grant. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TxCDBG funding available, all eligible TxCDBG activities, and the use of past TxCDBG funds. The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TxCDBG application and to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to Jerry Webster, Tahoka's City Manager, at Tahoka City Hall. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact Tahoka to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact the city at least two days before the meeting, so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Para mas informacion en espanol, comuniquese con Retha al 806-561-4211.

ORDER OF GENERAL ELECTION (ORDEN DE ELECCION GENERAL)

An election is hereby ordered to be held on November 6, 2018, in Lynn County, Texas for the purpose of electing the following county and precinct officers as required by Article XVI, Section 65 of the Texas Constitution.

(Por la presente se ordena que se lleve a cabo una eleccion el dia Noviembre de 6, 2018 en el Condado de Lynn, Texas, con el proposito de elegir a los siguientes oficiales del condado y del precinto como requerido por el Articulo XVI, Sección 65, de la Constitución de Texas.)

County Judge, County Clerk, District Clerk, Treasurer, Justice of the Peace 1 and 4, Commissioner PCT. 2 and 4.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at: (La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en:)

1627 Ave K - County Clerk Office

between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on October 22, 2018, (entre las 8:30 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el Octubre 22, 2018), and ending on November 2, 2018 (y terminando el Noviembre 2, 2018)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán adelantada por correo deberán enviarse a:)

Susan Tipton
P.O. Box 937
Tahoka, Texas 79373

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on: (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán adelantada por correo deberán recibirse no más tardar de las horas de negocio el:)

October 26, 2018.
Federal postcard applications must be received no later than the close of business on: (La tarjeta Federal de solicitud deberán recibirse no más tardar de las horas de negocio el:)

October 26, 2018.
Issued this the day of 22nd day of August 2018. (Emitida este día 22 de Agosto, 2018.)

/s/ Judge Mike Braddock
Signature of County Judge
(Firma del Juez del Condado)

NOTICE

Bulldog Bella Thrift Shoppe
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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL
INTERESTED PERSONS, THAT:

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

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

August 30, 2018
GRANT ENGINEERING SERVICES
PUBLIC NOTICE

Tahoka is submitting a 2019-2020 Community Development Fund grant application to the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) for water, wastewater or street improvements in Tahoka. Accordingly, the City is seeking a qualified engineer/engineering firm registered to practice in the State of Texas to prepare all necessary application materials and, if awarded to enter into a contract to prepare preliminary and final design plans and specifications, and to conduct all necessary interim and final inspections. *All proposals must include proof of a current, active SAMs registration.

Please submit your proposal of services and a statement of qualifications for these proposed services to the address below:

City of Tahoka
Attn: Jerry Webster
P.O. Box 300
Tahoka, Texas 79373

Proposals must be received by the City no later than 2:00 pm on or before Monday, September 10, 2018 to be considered. The City reserves the right to negotiate with any and all individuals, engineers or firms that submit proposals, as per the Texas Professional Services Procurement Act and the Uniform Grant and Contract Management Standards.

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Defensive training at Wilson ISD ... Wilson ISD Superintendent Jerry Burger carefully aims at a shooter (played by LCSO jailer Marcus Vega) entering the classroom, in a simulated attack training at the school Friday. Lynn County Sheriff's Office personnel, with assistance from several DPS troopers and Lynn County Juvenile Probation Officer Bill Schoemann, led the training sessions for the school staff. Wearing protective gear for the training, and using simulated weapons shooting small paintballs, the staff learned ways to protect themselves and their students in different scenarios. (LCN PHOTO by Juanel Jones)

Keeping Our Schools Safe

LCSO offers free training to Wilson ISD staff on how to respond to violent intruders

by JUANELL JONES

Violent intruders. That's the term law enforcement agencies now use to describe someone attacking a school or other public location, and the possibility of such a scenario is something that the schools in Lynn County have to consider in school security. The Lynn County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) is now providing training to any county school, church or business or organization that is interested in having their personnel learn how to prepare or respond to such an incident, and they are providing the training free of charge.

"This preparedness training is something that Sheriff Abraham Vega has wanted to provide county-wide, and we are happy to provide at no cost, to our school districts, our churches, or any businesses interested in learning how to provide safety and security for their students and staff," said Lt. Pete Vallejo with LCSO.

well organized and many of the teachers and staff engaged in simulated, intense activities. Most situations focused on proper procedures and techniques if a violent situation occurs. Many of the Wilson teachers indicated that this training may be one of the best workshops they have ever attended," Supt. Burger told *The News*.

Last week, Lt. Vallejo led the first training session in the county, with a two-day training for the staff at Wilson Independent School District. Several deputies and other LCSO staff, assisted by DPS troopers and Lynn County Juvenile Probation Officer Bill Schoemann, conducted classroom and hands-on training last Thursday and Friday at the WISD campus.

He said that he and his staff appreciated the opportunity to work with the LCSO and other law enforcement officials in the training, and felt the program was beneficial to the school district.

The training follows the ALICE concept, which is an active shooter civilian response training, providing options based on strategic methods against an active shooter or other violent intruder. ALICE is an acronym for Alert-Lockdown-Inform-Counter-Evacuate. Lt. Vallejo led classroom sessions covering a brief history of violent intruder incidences as well as procedures and options for ALICE concepts.

"Wilson ISD would like to thank the Lynn County Sheriff's Department and Department of Public Safety troopers, led by Lt. Pete Vallejo, for the excellent two-day training at Wilson ISD," said Burger. "All staff members were required to attend various sessions addressing school safety. The emphasis of the training was to coordinate the school district's 'Action Plan' with local law enforcement if any adverse situations should occur requiring law enforcement assistance," he explained.

"On average, a violent intruder incident lasts about eight minutes," Lt. Vallejo told *The News*. "For our rural school districts, teachers and administrative staff are going to be the first responders in keeping our schools safe. This training provides not only lockdown and evacuation options, as well as how to arrange classrooms to counter an intruder or barricade a room, but also ways to be able to defend or engage the intruder if necessary," he explained.

"Wilson ISD and the Lynn County Sheriff's Department will continue to strive to provide a safe environment for all students and teachers in Lynn County," Supt. Burger added.

The first day of training was all classroom work, but the second day involved hands-on training in various scenarios, including weapons firing paint-ball slugs to simulate gunfire. Trainees wore protective gear, and LCSO provided simulations involving an armed intruder in the classroom or approaching the classroom.

Lt. Vallejo invites anyone interested in learning more about the ALICE training to contact him at the Lynn County Sheriff's Office, at 806-561-4505.

"The training was very



Going down ... Tahoka's defense takes down a Trinity Christian ball-carrier in scrimmage action here last Friday evening. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

EMS transports victims from two county accidents

by JUANELL JONES

Two accidents occurred in the county during the past week, with Lynn County EMS transporting a victim from each accident for treatment of injuries. The first accident occurred at 2:09 p.m. last Thursday, Aug. 23, about a half mile south of FM 1313 on FM 1054. A one-ton pickup collided with a dump truck, and one person was transported to Lynn County Hospital for treatment of injuries described as back pain. Both vehicles had to be towed from the scene. No information was available regarding the identity of the drivers.

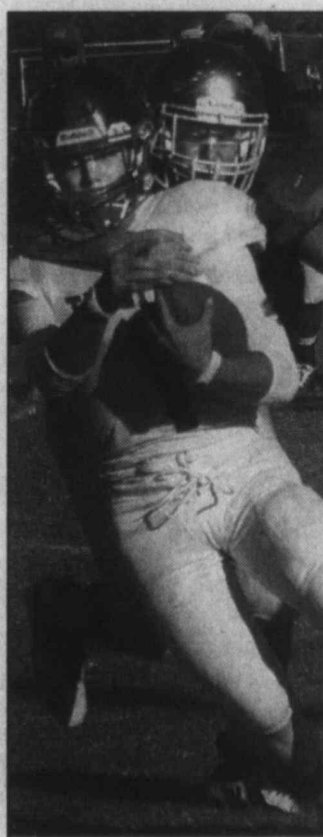
Another accident occurred at 8:46 a.m. last Friday, Aug. 24, at FM 179 and US 380, where a pickup truck and an 18-wheeler semi collided. No information was available regarding the identity of the drivers. One victim was transported by EMS to a Lubbock hospital for treatment, and Tahoka Fire Dept. was paged out to help clean up diesel that spilled from the semi.

Vandalism, theft, and a grass fire were also in reports to Lynn County Sheriff's Office last week. Gregg Armes called the Sheriff's Office at 2:39 p.m. last Tuesday, Aug. 21, to report that someone had vandalized and moved a Jeep that had been parked out by his barn, on his property about 2.5 miles west of New Home on FM 211.

Dalen Tekell reported an air compressor missing from the back of his pickup truck, that was parked on property about an eighth of a mile west of US 87 on CR 18. The report was made at 4:34 p.m. Friday, Aug. 24.

A grass fire in a ditch north of Southland was called in at 12:24 p.m. on Friday, to which Slaton Fire Department responded.

Lynn County Jail held 43 inmates during the past week, including 29 for Ector County, 11 for Lynn, and 3 for Crosby County. Local charges included one for Assault Causes Bodily Injury to Family Member, one for Possession of Dangerous Drug, and one for Forgery Financial Instrument.



Tekell tackle ... Tahoka's Cameron Tekell tackles the ball-carrier, stopping the Trinity Christian player in scrimmage action here last Friday evening. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

NOTICE OF 2018 TAX YEAR PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR CITY OF O'DONNELL

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