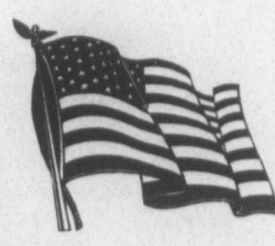




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Now that's funny!

Fishing is boring, unless you catch an actual fish, and then it is disgusting. -- DAVE BARRY

Did you know?

• It only takes six minutes for alcohol to affect your brain. Just one drink can quickly go to your head, whether you feel it or not. Researchers at Heidelberg University Hospital found that just six minutes after consuming alcohol, changes are already taking place in the brain. So even if you don't feel tipsy right away, you're definitely not totally sober either, according to the research.

FOOTBALL TIME!

LAST WEEK'S SCOREBOARD:
 Crosbyton 21-0 Tahoka
 Kingdom Prep 46-0 Wilson
 New Home 34-20 Floydada
 Springlake 75-28 O'Donnell

SEPT 24 GAMES:
 Tahoka at Ropes
 Wilson at Hermleigh
 New Home at Roscoe
 Spur at O'Donnell

COVID-19 UPDATE

COVID-19 Update Lynn County
 Sept. 17, 2021:
 12 New cases confirmed
 40 Active, 731 Recovered, 8 Deaths
 Lynn County total cases: 779

WHAT'S OUTSIDE

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Sept 14	90	64	
Sept 15	87	64	
Sept 16	90	64	
Sept 17	95	63	
Sept 18	91	64	
Sept 19	94	64	
Sept 20	99	63	

(Precipitation/temps measured as of 6 a.m. on date reported, for the previous 24-hr period)

Total Precip for Jan:	1.23"
Total Precip for Feb:	0.15"
Total Precip for Mar:	0.10"
Total Precip for Apr:	0.51"
Total Precip for May:	6.75"
Total Precip for Jun:	2.39"
Total Precip for July:	3.73"
Total Precip for Aug:	2.93"
Total Precip for Sep:	0.43"
Total Precip. for 2021:	18.22"

STREET FESTIVAL

Lynn County Harvest Festival set in downtown streets Saturday

Area citizens are invited to come out to the 45th annual Lynn County Harvest Festival this Saturday, Sept. 25, for a full day of fun, food, music and other activities. This year's event returns to the courthouse square in downtown Tahoka, and the venue is more of a street festival, with all booths and activities taking place on the streets, rather than on the courthouse lawn.

Vehicle traffic will be barred from Main Street just south of the traffic light at Main and Lockwood (Hwy 380) to South 2nd Street, to allow for pedestrians to enjoy the event. Food trucks and other vendors will have their wares displayed in areas set up on city streets, and the stage area will also be on the street north of the courthouse.

Handicap parking will be marked on the west side of the courthouse, and can be reached from the side streets west of Main Street.

Officials are asking citizens not to place any lawn chairs on the grassy lawn surrounding the courthouse, due to sprinkler systems in the lawn. Blankets on the lawn will be allowed, however. Lawn chairs may be set on sidewalks surrounding the courthouse, or in the streets or sidewalks in the downtown area.

The turtle races, a longtime popular tradition, will begin at 10 a.m. on the corner northeast of the courthouse, and food vendors and other booths will open at 10 a.m. as well.

A live performance of the National Anthem by Byron Norwood,

a local vocalist, will be presented at 11 a.m., after which deejay Pete Vallejo/Outlaw Entertainment will provide a variety of music throughout the day, trivia questions for cash will be announced, and the princess, duchess and queen contests will be held in the afternoon. Various local entertainers will present live music throughout the day as well.

A detailed schedule of events and local entertainment, and photos of the princess, duchess and queen contestants, is printed in this issue of *The News*, on page 3.

The festival will conclude with a street dance on the square from 8 p.m. until 11 p.m., with music provided by Pete Vallejo/Outlaw Entertainment.

Prior to the Harvest Festival events, a 5K and 1K run is being held. The Harvest Festival 1st An-



nual Reaper Run 2021 starts at 7:30 a.m. at the Lynn County Healthcare Systems Rehab & Fitness Center, at 1508 South 1st Street.

A 5K and a 1-mile fun run will be available for all ages, with both routes starting and ending at the downtown Fitness Center. There is an entry fee. To register, call the LCH Rehab & Fitness Center at 806-561-1340.

LCH employees dig deep, contribute \$26,000+ to family after tragedy claims life of one of their own

People with kindness and compassion are what makes communities special, and the "community" of those who are employed at Lynn County Healthcare System are all of that – and so much more. The LCH community, comprised of 170 employees, has done something unprecedented, going above and beyond compassion by digging deep into their own paychecks to give some of their vacation time and sick leave days to provide for the family of Christopher Lee Lopez – to the tune of \$26,371.80.

Lopez, 28, was tragically killed in a motorcycle accident at the intersection of FM 41 and US 87 on Aug. 20. When the accident occurred that morning, Lopez was traveling from Lubbock to Tahoka, to his job at Lynn County Healthcare System. He had been em-

ployed there for only two months, as one of the new IT (Information Technology) department's employees.

His immediate supervisor at LCH, Ace Williams, was also driving from Lubbock to Tahoka a few minutes later, and came up on the

accident scene a short time after it occurred. He knew, from the motorcycle and helmet, that the tragic accident had claimed the life of his newest employee.

It was Williams who presented the \$26,000+ check from LCH to Christopher's widow, Brittany Lopez, to help her and their sons in the aftermath of their loss.

"Chris was one of those people that made a huge impact in such a short time," said Dr. Melanie Richburg, Chief Executive Officer of LCH. "Everyone loved him. Chris had only worked at LCH for two months, which unfortunately was not long enough for the company

life insurance policy benefits to be available (it takes 90 days to become effective).

"Many of our employees were grieving and wanted to find a way to help the Lopez family, but a lot of them live paycheck to paycheck and it would be a hardship for them to donate cash. So I went to the LCHD Board of Directors and asked if I could implement a one-time policy change to allow the employees to be able to donate some of their vacation time or sick leave days into a 'bank' for Chris's family that Lynn County Healthcare could then pay out (in lieu of a

(See LCH DONATES, page 6)



All the pretty princesses ...

The 2021 Lynn County Harvest Festival Princess candidates are grouped around the bronze Eagle at the Veterans Memorial, with the Lynn County Courthouse in the background. At right are three who were not present for the group photo. In all, there are 20 candidates! See all their individual photos, with names, on the Harvest Festival ad in this edition.

(LCN PHOTO by Juanel Jones)



WORDS OF INSPIRATION!

“ Carry out a random act of kindness, with no expectation of reward, safe in the knowledge that one day someone might do the same for you. ”

—PRINCESS DIANA

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New Home Happenings
by Denise Sherrod

The City of New Home is in a busy season! City secretary Teresa Olsen officially started the process of applying for grants last week. The search for a city engineer has begun, and the new tax rate, a rollback, was adopted at a specially called meeting. Although it is a lower rate, the city will receive about 4% more than last year. I don't pretend to understand tax rates and how they work but getting more money sounds like a good thing.

At the next council meeting on Tuesday, September 28, the members will vote on the budget for the next fiscal year. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. in City Hall. New Home citizens are welcome to attend the meetings.

If you have news items or events to share, email them to dtsherrod@gmail.com by 10:00 on Tuesday mornings.

Senior Citizens Menu

September 27-30
Beginning Sept. 27, meal pick up will be available at the new location, Lockwood and Ave. K on west side.
Monday: Beef soft taco, Spanish rice, broccoli, corn, mandarin oranges
Tuesday: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, gravy,

stewed okra, corn, pumpkin square
Wednesday: BBQ Chicken breast, baked potato, mixed vegetables, mandarin oranges
Thursday: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, spinach, pea salad, fruit cocktail
Friday: not available

Obituaries



Elizabeth Ann Abell

Elizabeth Ann Abell, 81 years young, passed away September 15, 2021. She was born June 27, 1940, in Raleigh, North Carolina to Willie and Ethel Cox. Elizabeth was adopted at an early age, and grew up in Abilene, Texas. Her adopted mother and father were Earl and Nell Tennon. She was a long-time resident of Tahoka. She loved her family and traveling to see them. Liz attended all the grandchildren's games in town and away.

She was preceded in death by her brothers, Willie, Earl, Ronnie, and Jimmy Cox; and her beloved friend, Buster Phipps.

Those left to cherish her memory are her children, Donna Williams and husband Michael, Bill Abell, and Cyndi Abell; grandchildren, Ashely Ferron and husband David, April Lander, Amber Howland and husband Sam, Kilyn Payne, Meghan Brown and husband Shane, Taylor Abell and wife Kayla, Lindsey Greer and husband Travis, Jennifer Dawson and husband Nolan; great-grandchildren, Morgan, Madisyn, Makynsie, Vance, Caiden, Chloe, Carson, Kennedy, Tyler, Lauren, Chloe, Olivia, and Cayden.

Her life revolved around all her family and friends. We will miss her sweet smile, her love for family, and will especially miss her yelling at the TV when she watched her favorite sporting event.



Antonia "Toni" Aguirre

Visitation for Antonia "Toni" Quintanilla Aguirre, 66, of Tahoka was held on Tuesday, September 21, 2021, from 11 a.m.- 9 p.m. at Calvillo Funeral Home Chapel-Tahoka with a rosary beginning at 7 p.m. the same evening. A Celebration of Life was held on Wednesday, September 22, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. at Calvillo Funeral Home Chapel -Tahoka with Emilia Garcia officiating. Burial was in Nevels Memorial Park under the direction of Calvillo Funeral Home.

"Toni" went to be with the Lord on Saturday, September 18, 2021. She was born on October 29, 1954, in Richmond, Texas to the late Johnny and Maria Quintanilla. Later in life on July 31, 1971, Toni married Nick Aguirre in Tahoka, celebrating fifty years of marriage. Toni worked as a nurses aide for numerous years for The Lynn County Hospital before retiring. In her spare time, she enjoyed reading, sewing, and dancing to music. Decorating was one of Toni's favorite hobbies as well, she always made sure to attend home interior parties. However, her greatest joy in life was spending time with her family, whether through cooking for them, giving advice, or praying for them. Toni always made sure her family felt loved and were cared for. Her family will always remember and cherish the memories they have with her.

She was preceded in death by her father Johnny Quintanilla; a brother Robert DeAvila; a sister Mary Trejo and a granddaughter Alexis Deshay Aguirre.

Survivors include her husband Nick Aguirre of Tahoka; two sons Martin Aguirre of Tahoka and Nickolas Aguirre and wife Madylin of Lubbock; three daughters TerryAnn and husband Jaime Perez of Burleson, Naomi De La Cruz of Tahoka and Nadine Aguirre of Tahoka; her mother Maria Alvarez Silva of Denver, Colorado; a brother Johnny Quintanilla of Denver, Colorado; eight grandchildren and one great grandchild.



Brandon "Britt" Brooks

Brandon "Britt" Brooks, 62, of Houston passed away September 19, 2021.

Family will be receiving friends Friday, September 24, at Combest Family Funeral Homes in Tahoka from 5 - 7:00 p.m. Services are scheduled for Saturday, September 25, at 11:00 a.m. at First Baptist Church with burial to follow at Nevels Memorial Park.



Margie Nino

Margie Nino, 65 of Tahoka, passed away Wednesday, September 15, 2021. Visitation was held Friday, September 17, 2021, at Calvillo Funeral Home Chapel (Tahoka) from 2:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m., with a rosary beginning at 7:00 p.m. the same evening. Funeral mass was celebrated 10:00 a.m., Saturday, September 18, 2021, at St. Pius X Catholic Church in O'Donnell with Father John Ohlig officiating. Burial will follow at O'Donnell Cemetery in O'Donnell, Texas. All arrangements were made under the direction of Calvillo Funeral Home and Chapel.

Margie was born November 20, 1955, in O'Donnell, Texas to the late Ricardo II and Sophia Santos. She married Leonardo O. Nino and he preceded her in 1989. Later on in life she married Johnny Gonzales, he preceded her in 2019. Margie was a homemaker and a member of St. Jude's Catholic Church. She enjoyed reading, taking care of her grandchildren, keeping up with the yard, playing



The sound of music ... Brenden Santibanez, an 8th grade trumpet player, is one of the younger musicians who "fill in the gap" for the Tahoka 3D Band halftime marching show, pictured here at the Crosbyton game. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

games with her family and visiting friends. However, her greatest joy in life was spending time with all of her family, they will always cherish the memories they have with her.

She was preceded in death by her parents; three brothers, Jose Luis Santos, Roberto Santos, and Ruben Santos.

Those left to cherish her memory are one son Johnny Crispin Gonzales of Tahoka; three daughters, Monica and husband Julio Chica of Sinton, Jessica Nino of Lubbock and Patty and wife Matty Nino of

Tahoka; six brothers, Henry Santos of Slaton, Ricardo Santos III of Ovalo, Tx, Daniel Santos of Schertz, Ralph Santos of Lubbock, Mike Santos of Floresville, and Raul Santos of Slaton; seven sisters, Oralia Herrera of Grant, Michigan, Janie Horne of O'Donnell, Rosa Stout of White Cloud, Michigan, Alice Gonzales of O'Donnell, Sally Escobedo of Tahoka, Soyla Castillo of Lubbock, and Gloria Murillo of Slaton; fourteen grandchildren and one great grandchild.

City Council approves 72-cent tax rate

by JUANELL JONES

Tahoka City Council met in regular session last Monday, Sept. 13, holding a public hearing to receive comments on the proposed 2021 property tax rate for the City of Tahoka, but no citizens expressed an opinion on the issue. The council proposed keeping the current tax rate of 72-cents per \$100 of property value for the 2021-22 tax year, and officially approved the 72-cent tax rate in a special session held Monday, Sept. 20.

In other business on Sept. 13, Council members approved an ordinance for a variance to the City of Tahoka Code of Ordinances regarding

a front setback of less than 25-feet on property at 2015 N. 5th Street, as requested by the property owner. In another matter, city officials discussed a request from a property owner to abandon a portion of South 5th Street between Ave. E and Ave. D next to railroad property, but the council denied the request.

The council approved amending the Public Nuisance Ordinance, removing the 25-percent of property rule on weeds, grass, rubbish, brush, or any other unsightly or unsanitary conditions to accumulate on a lot, to a height in excess of seven inches or more. The amendment allows any percentage of property to comply with the weeds rule. The council also approved amending the Comprehensive Fee Ordinance to include all fees in regards to city ordinances.

City Administrator Julie Arrington was designated as the person responsible for dealing with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for the Local Park Grant Program.

Before the business agenda, new city employees Peggy Villarreal, Library Director, and Mikalee Gwin, Librarian, were introduced to the council.

During the public forum, local citizen John Wilson addressed the council to ask the council to consider allowing golf carts in town. The issue was not on the agenda, so council did not take any action on the request. Several years ago, the council denied a similar request, and city officials say that the city follows state guidelines in prohibiting golf carts, Mayor John Baker told *The News*.

The mayor led the Sept. 13 meeting, with four of five council members present including Ray Box, Shiloh Braddock, Ryan Curry and Courtney Stennett. Councilman Ronny Jolly was absent from the meeting.

Welcome to the 45th Annual Lynn County Harvest Festival
Saturday, Sept. 25, 2021
at the Courthouse Square in downtown Tahoka!

Hope to see you there!

Come join us in the 1K/5K Reaper Run!
Starts at 7:30 a.m.
at the Fitness Center
1508 S. 1st Street

LCH is happy to support our local festival!

Welcome to the 45th Annual Lynn County HARVEST FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, SEPT. 25, 2021 AT THE COURTHOUSE SQUARE IN TAHOKA, TEXAS

Queen Contestants

Amy Tew
Jerry & Elizabeth Tew
Tahoka High School Senior

Brooklyn Smith
Jason & Amanda Smith
New Home High School Senior

Bethanie Bolton
Shamdi Ruiz & Jon Bolton
O'Donnell High School Senior

Duchess Contestants

Serenity Campbell
Ann Barrientez & Jacob Perez
Tahoka High School Junior

Leah Liendo
Jessica Martinez
O'Donnell High School Senior

A Special Thanks to:
Harvest Festival Emcees:
Scott Dimak & Melanie Richburg

Queen & Duchess Judges

Bobbie Brown - Dist. 38 Little League
President & Texas Yech University Registrar

Ira White Kelly
Sundown ISD Theatre Teacher

Emily Elliott
Texas Tech Pi Beta Phi President

Kirrah Powell
Texas Tech Pi Beta Phi Member



This event is brought to you by the 2021 Lynn County Harvest Festival Committee:

Jerry & Liz Tew, Co-Chairmen

Amy Rodriguez, Queen/Duchess Chairman **Liz Tew, Princess Chairman**

Cassidy Allison	Kelly Harvey	Juanell Jones	Stephen Overstreet
Pam Ashcraft	Patrick Herrera	Casey McLelland	Miranda Stice
Jynna Bass	Pam Hilger	Kendra McLelland	Susan Tipton
Rebekah Filley	Cody Hill	Kayla Overstreet	Marisa Webster

THE 2021 LYNN COUNTY HARVEST FESTIVAL PRINCESS CANDIDATES

 Paislee Allison Taylor & Cassidy Allison	 Jentry Askew Brady & Shea Askew	 Chloe Barrera Luis & Maggie Barrera	 Courtlyn Barrera Luis & Maggie Barrera	 Madison Bower Amanda Lopez	 Skylyn Calderon Ray & Melissa Calderon	 Kinley Filley Reed & Rebekah Filley	 Emily Garcia Nathan & Anastasia Garcia Keiva Garcia	 Fella Garcia Nathan & Anastasia Garcia Keiva Garcia	 Avery Gill Ryan & D'Lynn Gill
 Saydi Henderson Allen & Samantha Henderson	 Anna Holdridge Cliff & Amber Holdridge	 Arabela Kieth Connor & Aubrey Phillips	 April Mendez Julio & Susie Mendez	 Xylle Moreno Chris Moreno & Shelsi Moreno	 Oriana Ortiz Pedro Ortiz & Paris Duran	 Aali Rodriguez Frank & Amy Rodriguez	 Abry Rodriguez Frank & Amy Rodriguez	 Jasmine Sepeda Claudia Colon	 Rilyn Taylor Randy & Bridget Taylor

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Harvest Festival Schedule

- 7:30 a.m. - 1K/5K RACE AT FITNESS CENTER - 1508 S. 1ST
- 8:30-9:30 a.m.
• VENDOR BOOTHS SET UP
- 10:00 a.m.
• BOOTHS OPEN at the Square
• TURTLE RACES - Kids, bring your turtles! Sponsored by Lynn County 4-H on street next to the square
- 11:00 a.m.
• Byron Norwood/National Anthem
• Outlaw Entertainment/Pete Vallejo (DeeJay throughout day)
- 11:30 a.m.
• Smith McLelland
- 12:00 p.m.
• Taya L'Shay, TJ Gutierrez, James Calaway
- 1:30 p.m.
• HARVEST FESTIVAL PRINCESS Contest
- 2:30 p.m.
• Claire Reglin
- 3:00 p.m.
• HARVEST FESTIVAL DUCHESS CONTEST
- 3:30 p.m.
• Paislee Allison
- 4:00 p.m.
• HARVEST FESTIVAL QUEEN Contest
- 5:00 p.m.
• Vendors close
- 8:00-11:00 p.m.
• Street Dance, Outlaw Entertainment

Visit these Vendors for fun, food and more!

FOOD
Lemonade - Janet Lara
Nevill House Breads
Brittany's Apples
Monster's Ice
The Dwelling Place Church
Cantu's BBQ
Gorditas (Granados)
Steak Street Tacos, etc (Flores)
Two Brothers from NJ
Concessions
(WTX Dominators 8U)
O'Donnell HS BBQ
Swigs & Sweets

SHOPPING
VCD Designs
Wood Crafts, Holiday Decor
by Sharon Tyson
Live Lovely Boutique
Cotton Patch Gypsy's Soap
Flying Fancy Bees
Twisted Karma
Artistic Designs
LulaRoe
E & E Designs (Nancy)
Cousin's (Dip mixes, etc.)

GAMES/ETC
Face Paint & Games (Monica)
TMS StuCo
Cow Patty Bingo
Dunkin' Booth
(WTX Dominators 10U)
Games 4 Kids!
Train Rides
Poka Lambro
Doula Service (Madison)
Angels Care Home Health
Dalby Correctional Facility
Recruiting

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Lynn County Farm Bureau

Accident, gunshots, missing vehicle in law enforcement call sheets this week

by JUANELL JONES

Only one traffic accident occurred in the county during the past week, and other calls were reports of gunshots heard in a residential area, as well as a Jeep reported missing from a residential location that turned up almost immediately a few blocks away.

A two-vehicle accident occurred at 8:30 p.m. last Thursday, Sept. 16, about a mile south of the Lubbock/Lynn County line on US 87. Lynn County Sheriff's Office (LCSO), DPS, Wilson Volunteer Fire Dept., and Lynn County EMS all

responded to the scene. According to LCSO reports, no one was transported for medical treatment, and both vehicles were towed from the scene. No driver/vehicle information was available.

Tahoka Police were called to the 2100 block of South 3rd Street at 3 a.m. last Tuesday for a report of three gunshots heard by a resident, but officers were unable to locate anyone in a close patrol of the area. Another caller at the same time told officers that they heard someone knocking on their back door in the 2300 block of Ave. O, but no suspicious persons were found.

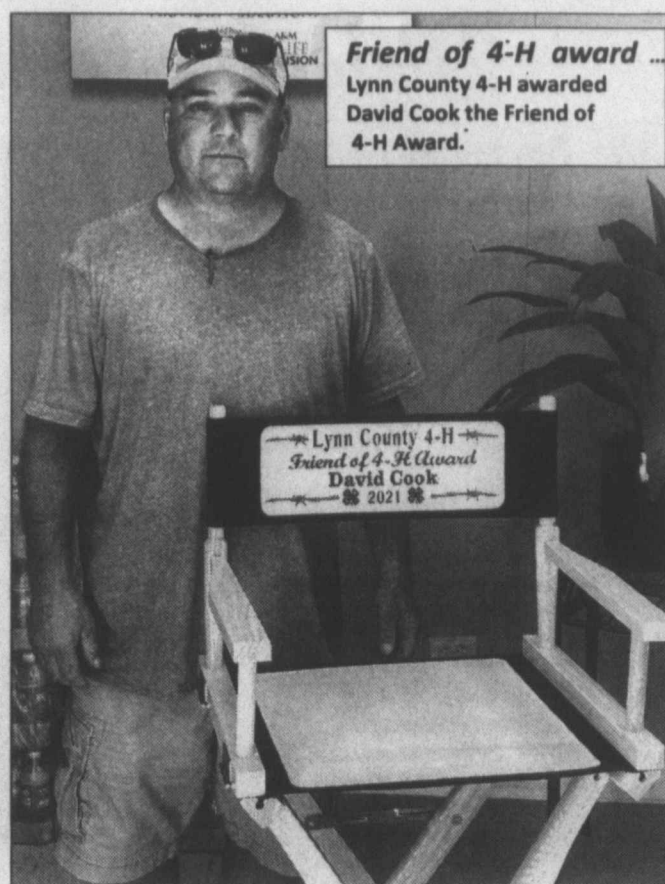
A 2015 Jeep Cherokee was reported missing from a location in the 1400 block of Ave. O at 9:45 a.m. Sunday. Minutes later, another caller reported that a Jeep (which turned out to be the same vehicle that was reported missing) was stuck between two trees on her property

in the 1100 block of Ave. F. According to police information, the keys to the vehicle had been left inside it before it was discovered missing.

Police and Lynn County EMS responded to a convenience store parking lot at the US 87 access road at 6 p.m. Monday, in response to a 9-1-1 caller who said he was in a vehicle traveling southbound towards Tahoka on US 87 with a female passenger in need of medical attention, and would meet the officers in the parking lot. EMS transported the female from the scene.

Other calls to police during the week were for welfare concerns, reckless drivers, civil issues, a pedestrian standing in the middle of a road, and a call for contacting TxDOT to remove a dead animal from beneath the US 380 overpass.

LCSO responded to several calls regarding welfare concerns last week, as well as domestic disturbances,



Friend of 4-H award ...
Lynn County 4-H awarded David Cook the Friend of 4-H Award.



4-H award ...
Kristi Walker was awarded the 2021 Lynn County 4-H Distinguished Award.



Alumni award ...
Lynn County 4-H awarded Kaci Scott the 2021 Alumni Award.

HPWD Board adopts 2021 tax rate

During their Sept. 14 meeting, the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District (HPWD) Board of Directors approved a resolution setting the 2021 ad valorem tax rate at \$0.0051 per \$100 valuation for operation and maintenance of the district.

The adopted 2021 tax rate of \$0.0051 is \$0.0004 less than the previous year's rate of \$0.0055 per \$100 valuation.

Persons with \$100,000 in property value will pay \$5.10 in annual taxes to HPWD under the approved rate, as compared to \$5.50 in 2020. The HPWD 2022 fiscal year begins Oct. 1.

In other business, the Board of Directors approved the Consent Agenda; approved administratively complete water well permit applications; approved funding for a test well to be drilled under the Dockum Aquifer Partnership program; amended the 2021 adopted budget; heard presentations about HPWD supported research; approved a statement of work for technical support from the U.S. Geological Survey; and heard a staff presentation about managing open, uncovered, or deteriorated water wells.



The State of Texas Secretary of State

I, JOE ESPARZA, DEPUTY SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, DO HEREBY CERTIFY, in accordance with Section 274.003 of the Texas Election Code, the following amendments are the proposed constitutional amendments as submitted by the 87th Legislature, Regular Session, to appear on the constitutional amendment ballot for the special election to be held November 2, 2021.

STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION 1

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the professional sports team charitable foundations of organizations sanctioned by the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association or the Women's Professional Rodeo Association to conduct charitable raffles at rodeo venues."

PROPUESTA NÚMERO 1 DEL ESTADO DE TEXAS

"Enmienda constitucional que autoriza a las fundaciones benéficas de equipos deportivos profesionales de organizaciones sancionadas por la Asociación Profesional de Vaqueros de Rodeo, o la Asociación Profesional de Rodeo Femenino a realizar rifas benéficas en eventos de rodeo."

STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION 2

"The constitutional amendment authorizing a county to finance the development or redevelopment of transportation or infrastructure in unproductive, underdeveloped, or blighted areas in the county."

PROPUESTA NÚMERO 2 DEL ESTADO DE TEXAS

"Enmienda constitucional que autoriza a un condado a financiar el desarrollo o la reurbanización del transporte o la infraestructura en áreas improductivas, subdesarrolladas o arruinadas en el condado."

STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION 3

"The constitutional amendment to prohibit this state or a political subdivision of this state from prohibiting or limiting religious services of religious organizations."

PROPUESTA NÚMERO 3 DEL ESTADO DE TEXAS

"Enmienda constitucional que prohíbe que este Estado o una subdivisión política de este Estado prohíba o limite los servicios religiosos de las organizaciones religiosas."

STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION 4

"The constitutional amendment changing the eligibility requirements for a justice of the supreme court, a judge of the court of criminal appeals, a justice of a court of appeals, and a district judge."

PROPUESTA NÚMERO 4 DEL ESTADO DE TEXAS

"Enmienda constitucional que cambia los requisitos de elegibilidad para un juez de la corte suprema, un juez del tribunal de apelaciones penales, un juez del tribunal de apelaciones y un juez del distrito."

STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION 5

"The constitutional amendment providing additional powers to the State Commission on Judicial Conduct with respect to candidates for judicial office."

PROPUESTA NÚMERO 5 DEL ESTADO DE TEXAS

"Enmienda constitucional que otorga poderes adicionales a la Comisión Estatal de Conducta Judicial con respecto a los candidatos a cargos judiciales."

STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION 6

"The constitutional amendment establishing a right for residents of certain facilities to designate an essential caregiver for in-person visitation."

PROPUESTA NÚMERO 6 DEL ESTADO DE TEXAS

"Enmienda constitucional que establece el derecho de los residentes de ciertos establecimientos a designar un cuidador esencial para las visitas en persona."

STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION 7

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

PROPUESTA NÚMERO 7 DEL ESTADO DE TEXAS

"Enmienda constitucional para permitir que el cónyuge sobreviviente de una persona discapacitada reciba una limitación en los impuestos ad valorem del distrito escolar sobre la residencia del cónyuge si este tiene 55 años de edad o más al momento del fallecimiento de la persona."

STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION 8

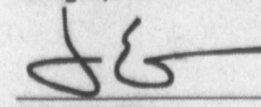
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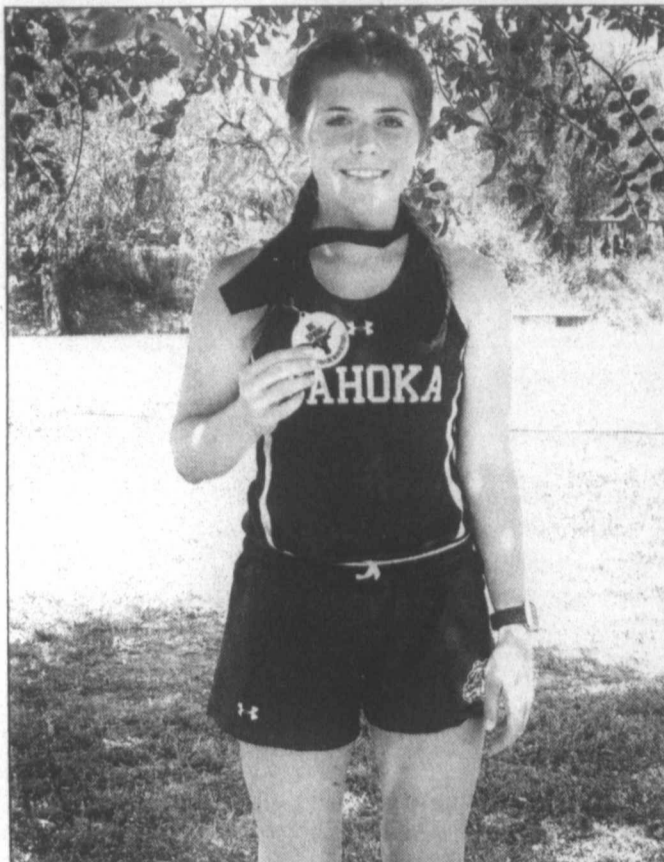
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XC Champion ... THS senior Amy Tew won the varsity girls division in the Big Spring Eric Stinson Invitational, competing against runners from 14 other 1A-4A schools.

Tew is champion at Big Spring XC event

Tahoka High School senior Amy Tew continued her remarkable senior season in Cross Country with her first victory, finishing in first place for the championship medal in the varsity girls cross country event at the Big Spring Eric Stinson Invitational last week.

Other Lady Bulldogs also did well, with Lillian Morrissey placing 3rd, and Calgary Due finished with a 28th place finish. Kendra Garcez finished in 28th in her varsity debut and Micaela Sullivan finished in 30th.

"The Big Spring Eric Stinson Invitational took place on Saturday, Sept. 18, and is a smaller meet with 14 other teams competing in Division 2 from 1A through 4A," said Tahoka XC Coach Derrick Morrissey. "All teams competed in very hot and humid weather, with difficult footing as the meet was delayed by over an hour for rain. The heat and the challenging hills that this course put in

front of our runners is one of the more difficult events in cross country and its easy to quit, but our team overcame everything this course threw at them and we could not be prouder of what they accomplished on Saturday," he added.

On the varsity boys side, Jesus Liendo ran hard and finished as a medal winner with an 8th place finish.

In the Junior High girls division, Aubrey Hadderton and Natalie Stone ran hard and finished in 41st and 48th place respectively. Eric Gomez continued to improve with a 36th place finish in the Junior High boys division.

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life insurance policy death benefit). Our goal was to reach \$20,000, and in just a few days we exceeded that amount," Richburg told *The News*.

The hospital board was whole-heartedly on board to allow the employees this opportunity, Richburg said.

"I think this sort of helped our LCH community to be allowed this opportunity to help," said Richburg. "Chris's wife, Brittany, was overwhelmed when the check was given to her, and said she just couldn't believe it. She knew that the life insurance policy had not become effective and that the family would not be getting a death benefit, so this was a good surprise for the family," added Richburg.

In the face of tragedy, the LCH community came together to allow something good to come from it, and this is what "community" is all about.

Area News

License granted for storage of spent nuclear fuel

ANDREWS - A federal agency has issued a license for the construction of a consolidated interim storage facility for spent fuel at Waste Control Specialists' site in far west Andrews County.

It was only the second such license issued by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

The NRC's decision culminated a lengthy review process that began five years ago and was briefly halted when WCS withdrew its original application. After WCS was sold by Valhi Inc. to a subsidiary of the J.F. Lehman Company, a joint venture known as Interim Storage Partners consisting of WCS and Orano USA resubmitted the application in 2018.

-- from the *Andrews County News*



Pack of Dogs ... Tahoka Bulldogs #5 Brayden Gutierrez, #54 Bryson Stone, and #22 Jordan Martinez attack a running back for Crosbyton for a loss, in action Friday night at the Chief's home field. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)



All wrapped up ... Tahoka's Jon Dylan Rodriguez (77) tackles a Crosbyton running back for a loss at Crosbyton. The Chiefs pulled out the victory over the Bulldogs, 21 to 0. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

Bulldogs suffer another loss

The Tahoka Bulldogs, suffering from injuries to several players, took another loss Friday night at the hands of the Crosbyton Chiefs. The Dogs look to regain their footing this week in another road trip, traveling to Ropes this Friday and then catching an open week before district play begins on Oct. 8.

The Chiefs won 21-0, taking a 14-0 lead at the half and adding another TD in the second half.

Tahoka freshman Jordan Martinez rushed over 100 yards in the game, but the Dogs just couldn't get the ball past the goal line for the night.

Head Coach Stephen Overstreet said it was a tough loss, but that he still believed in his young Bulldog squad.

"We lost another player to injury, and we're young in a lot of spots. If we can just get past this and build some confidence, we'll be okay. We have got to get healthy and get everyone on the field at the same time.

"We're young and inexperienced, but we are doing some good things, and we will get better," said Overstreet.

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Ground attack ... Bulldog quarterback Brogan Stone (#9) hands off to #22 freshman Jordan Martinez with #25 Kaldance Rodriguez and #55 David Hernandez blocking, in Friday night's road game at Crosbyton. The Chiefs took the win, 21-0. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)



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