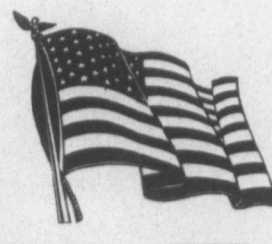




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## County-Wide Health Fair set next Wednesday

Lynn County Healthcare System is sponsoring a County-Wide Adult Health Fair next Wednesday, Oct. 20, from 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at the Life Enrichment Center in Tahoka, 1717 Main St.

Flu shots will be offered for \$25 (or bring Medicare card), and free vision testing and blood pressure testing will be available, as well as a variety of other health information, including the Covid vaccine.

## FOOTBALL TIME!

### LAST WEEK'S SCOREBOARD:

Floydada 39-6 Tahoka  
Wilson (open date)  
New Home 27-25 Ropes  
O'Donnell 72-44 Whiteface

### OCT 15 GAMES:

Tahoka at Hale Center  
Wilson at Dawson (14th)  
Smyer at New Home  
Sands at O'Donnell

## COVID-19 UPDATE

**COVID-19 Update Lynn County, from South Plains Public Health District website - Oct. 9, 2021:**

7 New cases confirmed  
14 Active, 789 Recovered, 26 Deaths  
Lynn County total cases: 829

The South Plains Health District recently updated their records from when the Pandemic began in 2020 to current.

## WHAT'S OUTSIDE

NWS official readings for Tahoka

Date	High	Low	Precip.
Oct 5	86	54	
Oct 6	88	58	
Oct 7	84	56	
Oct 8	92	58	
Oct 9	97	59	
Oct 10	88	44	
Oct 11	81	42	

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

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:	0.53"
Total Precip for Oct:	0.37"
Total Precip. for 2021:	18.69"

## City sets Town Hall meeting for street bond election info

The City of Tahoka will hold a Town Hall meeting at City Hall on Monday, October 18, at 6:00 p.m., and citizens are encouraged to attend to hear information about the street bond election, which will be on the Nov. 2 ballot for City of Tahoka residents.

"The purpose of the meeting is to allow residents to ask questions of the Engineer, the City Manager, and the Bond Counsel about the project," said City Administrator Julie Arrington. "Some of the anticipated questions will be how the streets were selected, the impact to their property taxes, and any specific questions they may have that relates to the scope of work of the project."

Tahoka City Council called for a special election on Nov. 2 for voters to consider a \$4.5-million street bond project here in a General Obligation Bonds referendum.

Originally proposed as an \$8.1-million street project, which included paving of all unpaved streets and repaving of all other streets, the scope of the project was

reduced to paving streets that are not currently paved, address pot holes and drainage issues in problem areas, and to repair currently paved streets that are in need of repair.

A tax increase of 25-cents per \$100 of property value is estimated for paying back the bonded indebtedness, if voters approve the bond election.

In addition, the council is considering an additional \$2,055,000 to help with the street improvement project, that would be paid for with Revenue Bonds, which would be paid for with a \$10 increase in water fees per month.

"A \$10 per month increase in water fees would generate approximately \$130,000 annually which would be used to pay the revenue bonds," Mayor John Baker had told The News in earlier conversations, explaining that the city has 1300+ water meters in residential/commercial use.

Together, the street improvement package would come in at a total cost of \$6,580,000.

## Early Voting starts Monday for Street Bond election

Early Voting for the Nov. 2 Constitutional Amendment Election, and for the City of Tahoka Street Bond Election, begins Monday, Oct. 18 and will continue through Oct. 29, at the Lynn County Courthouse.

Early Voting will be conducted at the Lynn County Clerk's Office (1st floor), during regular business hours of 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1-5 p.m., as well as two 12-hour early voting days open from 7 a.m.-7 p.m. on Oct. 18 and again on Oct. 29.

On Election Day, Nov. 2, there

will be four polling locations in the county open from 7 a.m.-7 p.m., including:

- Life Enrichment Center in Tahoka, for Voting Boxes 1/5, 6, 7, 9, 12, 14
- Wilson City Hall (Green Building) in Wilson, for Voting Boxes 2/8
- O'Donnell Community Center, 103 Nassau Rd in O'Donnell, for Voting Boxes 3/10
- New Home Community Center, 109 W. Broadway in New Home, for Voting Boxes 4/11/13.

## Advancing to Regionals:

# Tew is District XC Champion, leads team to first place finish

Tahoka High School senior Amy Tew brought home the gold as this year's individual varsity girls champion with a first place finish in the District 6-2A Cross Country Championship meet held at Forrest Park in Lamesa on Monday, competing against New Home, Smyer, Post and Ropes. The Lady Bulldogs team rose to the occasion, winning their first Cross Country District team title in at least 25 years and advancing to the regionals at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock on Oct. 25.

The Lady Bulldogs finished with 4 runners in the top 5, and 6 in the top 10. Senior captain Amy Tew brought home the gold as District Champion, sophomore Lillian Morrissey took 2nd place, freshmen Gabrielle Stice, Kendra Garcez, Eperanza Bustamante, and Calgary Due rounded out the top ten finishes in 4th, 5th, 8th and 9th respectively. Freshman Micaela Sullivan barely missed the top 10 with an 11th place finish while senior Alyssa Elizondo finished in 13th.

Tahoka's varsity boys team finished in third place at the district meet, and will also advance to regionals as a team. Jesus Liendo finished in 4th place and would have advanced to regionals as an individual but this time he had back up, with team members Ahren Car-

asco, Cadyn Mann, Bryson Mann, Zane Garvin, and Luke Cypert stepping up and helping the Varsity Bulldogs finish as 3rd place team.

Prior to the district meet, the Lady Bulldogs also competed last Thursday, Oct. 7, at the Odessa Invitational at UT Permian Basin against other varsity teams from the 3A and 4A division and JV



**Judges shootout ...** Lynn/Garza Farm Bureau recently had a Shotguns & Scholarships contest at Mason's Gun Club in Post to raise money for scholarships. Lynn County Judge Mike Braddock (right) won 1st place in the clay shoot against Garza County Judge Lee Norman.

## Gins report first bales as cotton harvest gets underway

The Lynn County News began contacting area gins this week for bale counts, with several gins reporting first bales processed as the cotton harvest gets underway in the area.

Farmer's Coop Assn. #1 in Tahoka reported processing their first bale of cotton on Oct. 6, from producer Matt Taylor. As of Tuesday this week, their bale count was at 1,053.

Texas Star Gin in Wilson/Slaton reported their first bale on Oct. 7, from producer Dale Kitchens, and a current bale count of 903.

On Oct. 8, Wells Coop Gin

reduced their first bale of cotton from producer Kirby Williams, and have a current bale count of 243.



WesTex Coop Gin in O'Donnell/Slaton reported their first bale of cotton on Oct. 9, from producer Mike Greenlee, and a current bale count as of Tuesday at 376.

Garlyn Gin produced their first bale on Oct. 12, from producer Ty Stark, and reported a current bale count on Tuesday of 3.

Woolam Gin in O'Donnell and New Home Coop Gin have not yet processed their first bales, according to gin officials on Tuesday.



**District Champions ...** Tahoka High School Lady Bulldogs Cross Country Team are the District Champions at the District 6-2A XC Meet, and senior Amy Tew (center, holding trophy) was the varsity girls individual District Champion. The team includes, from left, Alyssa Elizondo, Gabby Stice, Lillian Morrissey, Amy Tew, Eperanza Bustamante, Calgary Due, Kendra Garcez, and Micaela Sullivan. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)



DID YOU KNOW?

Arachibutyrophobia is the fear of peanut butter sticking to the roof of your mouth.

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**Senior Citizens LUNCH MENU**

October 18-22

- Monday:** Salisbury Steak w/ mushroom sauce, mashed potatoes, spinach, pea salad, fruit cocktail
- Tuesday:** Chicken spaghetti, carrots, zucchini, bananas w/ vanilla pudding
- Wednesday:** Meatloaf w/ tomato sauce, mashed potatoes, winter blend veg., apple fluff
- Thursday:** Chicken fajitas, fajita vegetables, chuck wagon corn, Spanish rice, fruit cocktail
- Friday:** Hot dog, baked potato, seasoned broccoli, pineapple gelatin

**Lynn County Hospital COVID-19 Hotline**  
806-561-2076

answered by LCHD healthcare providers  
Please call if you think you have symptoms of COVID-19, including fever, cough, shortness of breath or persistent pressure in chest.

**OR CALL TO SCHEDULE A COVID VACCINE**

**Obituaries**



**Lita Kay Gandy**

Lita Kay Gandy was a devoted mother, sister, and nana. She was welcomed home and made whole on October 9th, 2021 at the age of 61.

She was born to Clifford and Dorothy Gandy on May 10, 1960. The one thing she wanted most in this life was to be a mother and in 1987 she gave birth to her one and only daughter, Shelley.

Kay loved spending time in the kitchen, shopping at all the local stores, harassing her sister Cherry, and spoiling her 3 grandbabies: Gabby, William, and Quill. She crafted such an extraordinary life for those around her and set the tone for contentment. She was never one to let anyone go hungry and she never met a stranger. If you ever found yourself at the Gandy house you could rest assured you were not leaving hungry.

She was preceded in death by her parents Clifford and Dorothy Gandy, two sisters Willie Thorne and Rita Mason, and one brother Karl Gandy.

She is survived by her daughter Shelley Woodbridge; one sister Cherry Gan-

**Battle Of The Bands: Vote online for Tahoka Band**

The Tahoka High School 3-D Band is one of the bands featured in the KCBDBattle Of The Bands, and the band is asking the community for its support by voting online for Tahoka Band during the week of Oct. 13-20. The winner of the Battle Of The Bands will receive a \$3,000 grand prize, to be used in their band program.

Voting begins at 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday and ends at 3 p.m. the next Wednesday. Dates for voting are listed on the bracket, on the kcbd.com website, under contests. Tahoka won the first round, and is now in the second round, with the online voting to help them advance through the bracket. Check back weekly to find out if Tahoka advances.

"Help us win the \$3,000 grand prize for our band program," said Cristal Burse, one of the directors of the 3-D Band. "We appreciate everyone's support!"

dy, three brothers Menford Gandy, Jim Brown, and Berry Gandy; grandchildren Gabby Baldaras, William Turner, and Quill Woodbridge, and countless nieces and nephews.

A Memorial service is scheduled for 1 pm on Thursday, October 14, 2021 at Sweet Street Baptist Church in Tahoka, Texas. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to either the National Alzheimers Association or the American Cancer Society.

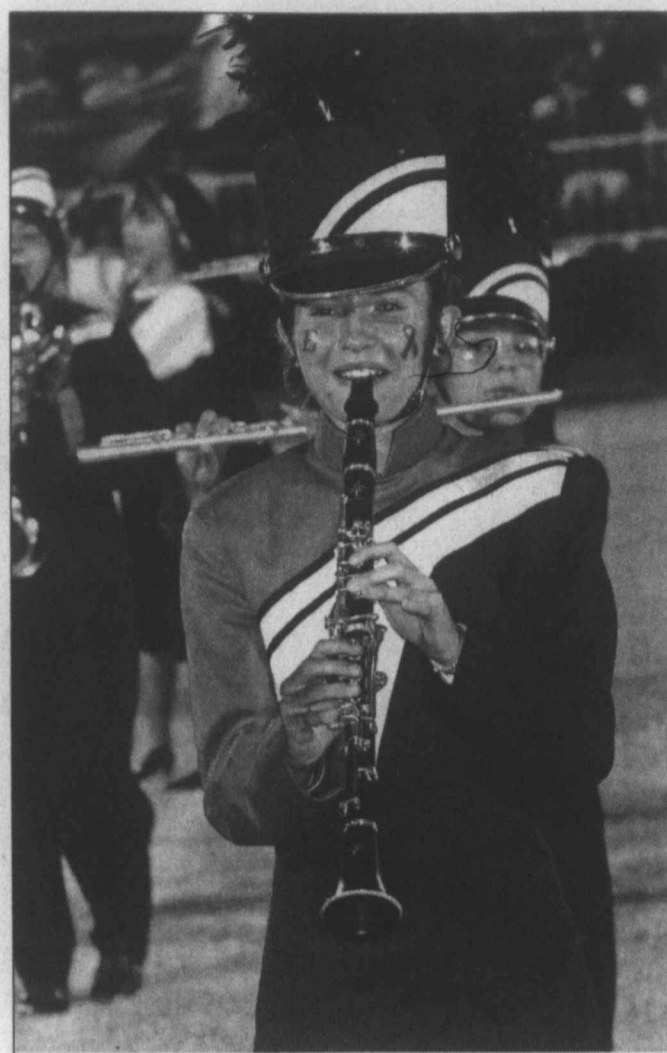
**Chili cookoff/tasting event set at Oct. 22 football game**

Tahoka FCCLA invites everyone to their 1st annual Chili Cook-Off at the Tahoka High School football field, prior to the football game on Friday night, Oct. 22. All chili entries must be cooked prior to the event and brought in a crock pot to the parking lot of the Tahoka High School football stadium for the Chili Cook-Off judging at 5 p.m. After judging, the public will be able to sample all entries for \$6 (includes drink), from 5-7 p.m. prior to the football game.

There is a \$20 entry fee to enter the cookoff.

"Come help us raise funds to purchase Christmas gifts for a family or families in need within our community by entering or eating some chili," invites FCCLA sponsors Amy Izzard and Whitney Meyer.

For more information, or to submit entries, contact FCCLA sponsors by email or phone, at wwilson@tahokaisd.org (806-638-7352) or aizzard@tahokaisd.org (903) 235-2899.



Musical performance ... Kendra Garcez is playing the clarinet in the Tahoka 3-D Band performance Friday night, and behind her on the flute is Lezariah Rodriguez.

(LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

**New bridge planned at FM 41 intersection**

**TxDOT ready to begin work on US 87/FM 41 bridge project**

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is set to begin work on a project that will improve safety and mobility along US 87 in southern Lubbock County.

The \$21.6 million project will reconstruct the US 87/FM 41 intersection by building a new US 87 bridge, entrance and exit ramps, turn-arounds, and adding safety lighting, said Seve Sisneros, TxDOT's Brownfield area engineer heading up the project.

"US 87 is a major corridor for commerce and travel—connecting the South Plains to the Permian Basin. TxDOT is committed to keep traffic flowing, but US 87 and FM 41 motorists can expect various lane closures, long-term closures, traffic shifts and detours throughout the duration of the project," Sisneros said. "Our goal is to make sure we get the work done in the safest and most efficient way possible."

Work on the project was scheduled to begin Monday, Oct. 11, with project contractor Allen Butler Construction, of Lubbock, setting barricades and making preparations to begin work to build the frontage road/entrance and exit ramps.

"Drivers should expect to see traffic changes fairly quickly once construction begins, particularly on FM 41. East and westbound FM 41 traffic will not have access to US 87 starting sometime the week of Oct. 18. All FM 41 traffic will be detoured around the work zone," said

Sisneros. "Both US 87 traffic, needing to access FM 41, and FM 41 traffic wanting to connect with US 87, will be detoured at FM 1585 and FM 211 to make those connections."

The FM 41 detours are expected to be in place until mid-summer 2022.

Additionally, all lanes of traffic on north- and southbound US 87, through the active construction zone, will be reduced to 60 mph, Sisneros added.

Drivers are asked to use caution through the work zone, since crews will be working in close proximity to traffic and should keep the following tips in mind:

- Slow down and always follow posted work zone speed limits. Speeding is one of the major causes of work zone crashes. Remember, traffic fines double in work zones.
- Pay attention. Workers and heavy equipment may only be a few feet from passing vehicles.
- Be patient. Delays from highway construction can be frustrating, but it only takes a few extra minutes to slow down for a work zone.

The project's completion date is scheduled in October 2024.

*Did you know?*

• Grover Cleveland was both the 22nd and 24th U.S. President. He is the only man to have been elected to non-consecutive presidential terms.

**New Home city tax rate approved**

The New Home City Council approved a tax rate of .4214315 in action at their Sept. 14 council meeting. The new rate is about a penny lower than last year's rate of .433278 per \$100 of property value.

The new rate is considered a 4% increase, even though it is a lower rate, because of the increased revenue which will be generated.

The council has also put out a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for engineering services to improve the water quality. The deadline for submittals was Friday and the City Council will start going through them this week, and then begin an interviewing process next week.

The City of New Home also applied for the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds and was awarded \$89,946.30. The city received the first tranche, which is half of the amount, on August 23, 2021, and will receive the second half next August. These funds will be used for sewer and water improvements, according to city officials.

**Area News**

from area newspapers

**Beef processing plant opens**

ANDREWS - A locally owned U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) certified and customs meat processing operation that diversified the Andrews Economic Development Corporation's (AEDC) Business Park West recently opened its doors for business in Andrews.

Broken Heart Butchery is now offering prime-quality beef from its front counter and providing custom slaughtering at its 1904 NW Ave. G facility inside the AEDC's Business Park in Andrews.

An official USDA inspector is also expected to be on site beginning in mid-October.

The family-owned and operated business is run by Pete Ballew and son-in-law, James Morgan.

One reason for the business is to provide Permian Basin ranches with a USDA-certified facility within the area, according to Morgan. Another is for the family to sell quality, locally sourced beef from its longtime ranch - and other area ranches they've vetted - to Andrews residents at a fair price during a present national food shortage that could remain.

-- from the Andrews County News

TAHOKA FCCLA PRESENTS  
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**CHILI COOK-OFF**  
10-22 BRING THE HEAT! 5-7 PM

Come help us raise funds to purchase Christmas gifts for a family or families in need within our community by entering or eating some chili.

**\$20 FEE TO ENTER YOUR CHILI**  
ALL CHILI ENTRIES WILL NEED TO BE PREPARED/COOKED PRIOR TO THE EVENT AND BROUGHT IN A CROCK POT TO THE PARKING LOT OF THE TAHOKA HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL STADIUM.

AFTER JUDGING, THE PUBLIC WILL BE ABLE TO SAMPLE ALL ENTRIES FOR \$6 (INCLUDES DRINK)

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**Thank you  
Tahoka!**

Friday night's Pink Out was a very special night for my family and I. I cannot begin to thank you enough for your love, support, prayers and donations. I am eternally grateful for each of you and am so blessed to be part of such an amazing community. I am forever a Bulldog!

Forever thankful,  
Kristi Chapa-Love

**Tew, Liendo win  
Reaper 5K run**

The Lynn County Healthcare System Fitness Center hosted the Harvest Festival Reaper Run in conjunction with the Lynn County Harvest Festival on Sept. 25, with a 5K and 1-mile Fun Run. Nineteen people participated in the event.

In the Women's 5K run, Amy Tew won 1st place, Lillian Morrissey 2nd, and Valerie Clary 3rd.

In the Men's 5K, Jesus Liendo won 1st, Kyle Barnett won 2nd, and Coach Derrick Morrissey won 3rd.

Maricela Bustmante won the 1-mile Fun Run.

Sponsors said the event raised about \$3500, with the funds to be given towards the Harvest Festival Queen scholarship, and to the Chris Lopez family.



**Giving to cancer survivors ...**

Tahoka High School cheerleaders presented funds from selling Never Give Up t-shirts in support of cancer survivors, to Kristi Chapa-Love of Tahoka, to help with medical expenses in her fight against cancer. Members of her family joined her on the football field for the presentation during Friday night's game. Each year, THS cheerleaders sponsor Pink Out The Stadium and sell t-shirts as a fundraiser for the project, and choose a local recipient.

(LCN PHOTO  
by Gary Jones)

**Training, upskilling  
funding for area  
businesses available**

Thousands of dollars are available immediately to help companies grow their businesses by training and upskilling their workers. Funding is available throughout the South Plains region through Workforce Solutions South Plains.

Funding eligibility requirements include being in business in the South Plains for at least 120 days, employing between 2 and 250 employees, and being in good standing with the Texas Workforce Commission. Training must be completed no later than six months after a project is funded. Projects must be completed by June 30, 2022. Training funds may not be used to provide basic computer training, Adult Basic Education, or English as a Second Language training.

"We encourage any and all area businesses to consider applying for these funds in order to help their employees become more skilled in their profession," stated Workforce Solutions representatives.

For more information, email Danny Soliz at danny.soliz@spworkforce.org for the application.

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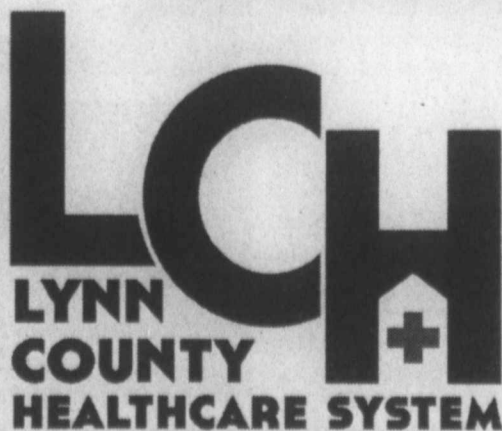
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**BALE COUNT**  
(reported 10-12-21)

Farmers Coop #1, Tahoka ...	1,053
Texas Star Coop Gin.....	903
Westex, O'Donnell.....	376
Wells Coop Gin.....	243
Garlyn Gin.....	3
Woolam Gin, O'Donnell.....	0
New Home Coop, Lakeview.....	0
<b>TOTAL BALES</b> .....	<b>2,578</b>

**SHOP LOCAL!**  
SUPPORT THE BUSINESSES THAT ARE HERE FOR YOU AND YOUR COMMUNITY. BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR.

**Woman awakens to discover unknown person in her home**

by JUANELL JONES

A woman who had just gone to bed in her home in the 2300 block of N. 4th last Wednesday night discovered a male with a flashlight had broken into her home. She told police that she saw the flashlight and saw the male figure, then she jumped up and yelled "What are you doing in my house?" The male immediately left the bedroom and residence. During an investigation, Tahoka Police discovered the unknown male had apparently left a knife by the back door, which he had jimmied open with the knife. The woman was reportedly not hurt, and the case is still under investigation as a burglary of a habitation. A close patrol was also placed in the area.

Two traffic accidents were in law reports during the past week in Lynn County, with EMS transporting one person from each accident.

A two-vehicle accident occurred at 3:33 a.m. Oct. 7 on US 380 at mile marker 292. A caller to Lynn County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) told officers that he was involved in a wreck with another vehicle, and said there were four people in his vehicle, and one person in the other vehicle. He reported that the driver in the other vehicle was unconscious. Both lanes of traffic were blocked by the vehicles. Lynn County EMS, SO, DPS and Tahoka Volunteer Fire Dept. all responded to the scene. One

person was transported by EMS to a Lubbock hospital, and the vehicles were towed from the scene.

A semi with a livestock trailer ran off the roadway on US 87 about 4 miles south of Tahoka, at 7:40 p.m. Oct. 8. LCSO, O'Donnell Police, and Lynn County EMS all responded to the scene. According to call sheet reports, the driver was transported by EMS to Lynn County Hospital for treatment, and the semi was towed from the scene.

Other calls to LCSO during the week were for stranded motorists, unwanted persons, domestic disturbances, civil standby, and a threat reported at Wilson ISD by one juvenile towards another juvenile.

Lynn County Jail held 33 inmates during the week, including 26 for Lynn County, 5 for Dawson, and 1 each for Cochran and Floyd counties.



The hunted ... Tahoka's #4 Hunter Garrison runs for good yardage around the left end, in Friday night action here. Floydada won the first district game of the year 39-6.

(LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

TEXAS A&M  
**AGRI LIFE**  
EXTENSION

From the office of:  
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Lynn County Extension  
Agent AG/NR  
806-561-4562

**Three tips to recycle fall leaves**

Clever, environmentally friendly uses of fallen leaves include free fertilizer, mulch, nutrient-rich compost

Many people are coming across top-grade fertilizer in their yard, then simply raking it up and tossing it to the curb.

The underappreciated substance is fallen leaves, said Skip Richter, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service horticulture agent, Brazos County, and host of Garden Success, KAMU FM/HD-1. Putting raked leaves in a landfill has a long-term cost for a community. Even recycling green waste via community-wide collection, while less problematic than throwing it

away, is still not the simplest and most economical use of this gardening treasure.

"Leaves contain a wonderful blend of nutrients that a tree needed to grow those leaves in your yard in the first place," Richter said. Getting rid of fallen leaves "doesn't make any sense from an environmental standpoint, economic standpoint or just the standpoint of how nature grows leaves."

Employing fallen leaves is easy. Richter explains three simple ways to use this bounty.

Mow the leaves into the lawn to recycle their nutrients. The simplest, easiest way to use the leaves, Richter said, is to mow over them with a mulching mower so that the leaf pieces can fall down between the grass blades. The leaf pieces will release nutrients as they decompose.

"Most people have a St. Augustine lawn, which tends to be coarse," he said. "If you had a golf-course green, you wouldn't be able to mow the leaves into it. But for most lawns, it's easy. It requires no extra work because you're mowing anyway."

Collect and mulch the fallen leaves

A pile of fallen leaves can be chopped up and used as mulch. The next-simplest alternative is to collect the leaves and spread them around shrubs, trees or vegetables so they can work as mulch.

"I run over the leaves a few times with my mower to try to break them down," Richter said. "When you grind them up a little bit, it gives them a nicer look, and they're less likely to blow away."

Mulch moderates soil temperature, prevents erosion and evaporation, greatly reduces weed problems, and provides nutrients for plant roots as it decomposes over time.

A third option for using falling leaves is to compost them, Richter said, pointing out that AgriLife Extension has plenty of information on how to compost at home. He has even created an online resource on composting for kids.

Composting leaves takes more commitment than mulching them, but it creates a nutrient-rich mix that can be mixed with soil to help plants thrive.

"Think about it like what happens in a coffee pot," he said. "When water goes on top of the composted leaves, what comes out is nutrient-rich water that roots can use."

"Most people don't think of dead leaves as useful," Richter added. "They think it's a mess, but it's not a mess. It's nature's own, free, slow-release, plant-based fertilizer."

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to the Lynn County Hospital District EMS are always greatly appreciated.  
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**\$1000 REWARD: Texas Game Wardens request public's help in pronghorn poaching case**

AMARILLO —Texas Game Wardens are requesting the public's help to identify individuals responsible for killing five pronghorn between Friday, Sept. 24 and Sunday, Sept. 26. The bodies were discovered one mile north of Interstate Highway 40, just east of Adrian. The carcasses were dumped on private land with the skull and horns missing.

"This is a considerably egregious crime, not just in the manner in which it was committed but also due to the significance of the animal that was harmed," said Oldham County Game Warden Wesley Driskill, who is overseeing the investigation. "The pronghorn is one of the few big game species native to our state. Its habitat is limited to west Texas and the panhandle

which is why their hunting season is shorter than most and hunting permits are highly regulated. A crime of this magnitude impacts everyone working to conserve pronghorn for future generations."

Texas Game Wardens believe this was an act of irresponsible trophy hunting. They encourage anyone with information about the individuals responsible to call the Operation Game Thief Hotline at 1-800-792-GAME (4263). Relevant information may include anything out of the ordinary like strange gunshots, unfamiliar vehicles in the area, headlights in a field on those nights or observing a truck with a bloody tailgate. Information leading to the arrest and conviction of the persons responsible will be eligible for a \$1,000 reward.

**USDA launches first phase of soil carbon monitoring efforts**

WASHINGTON - The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is investing \$10 million in a new initiative to sample, measure, and monitor soil carbon on Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) acres to better quantify the climate outcomes of the program.

CRP is an important tool in the Nation's fight to reduce the worst impacts of climate change facing our

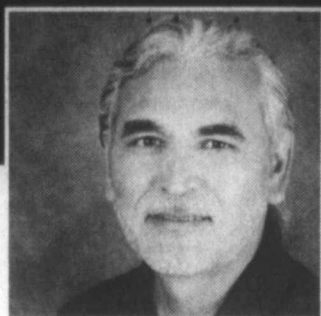
farmers, ranchers, and foresters. This initiative will begin implementation in fall 2021 with three partners. Today's announcement is part of a broader, long-term soil carbon monitoring effort across agricultural lands that supports USDA's commitment to deliver climate solutions to agricultural producers and rural America through voluntary, incentive-based solutions.

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**Division winners ...** On September 13th, 2021, Pace and Patrick Ritz competed in the National Agriscience Fair. They competed virtually against ten other teams in their category and ended up in the top 10 teams in the nation! They were the Division winners for their category in the State of Texas and represented New Home FFA extremely well.

### NRCS announces 2022 deadlines for Conservation Assistance

The USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Texas has announced the first funding application deadline of October 29, 2021, for the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). A second funding application deadline will be February 11, 2022.

Applications are taken year round for NRCS programs, but deadlines are announced to rank and fund eligible conservation projects. Producers interested in signing up for EQIP should submit applications to their local USDA service center. If already a USDA client, a producer can submit applications online via Farmers.gov.

EQIP is a voluntary program that provides financial

and technical assistance to agricultural producers. Technical assistance is provided without a fee from NRCS specialists to help landowners and land managers plan and implement conservation practices to help them meet their land management goals, address natural resource concerns and improve soil, water, plant, animal, air, and related resources on agricultural land and non-industrial private forestland.

For additional information visit the NRCS Texas website at [www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov](http://www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov). Applications for EQIP are accepted on a continuous basis. Producers interested in EQIP can contact their local USDA service center or visit the NRCS EQIP web page.

### Game Wardens respond to unusual cases across Texas

The following items are compiled from recent Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) law enforcement reports, and released by the TPWD to the media.

#### Oh-Fish-ially in Trouble

Galveston County game wardens received a call about two individuals who were catching sheephead fish with a net and keeping over their bag limit. The wardens saw two over-flowing coolers with fish. When the wardens asked how they caught all the fish, they said, "with the net". When inspecting the coolers, the wardens found two hidden bags also containing fish. The two individuals were in possession of 47 sheephead (27 undersized), three speckled sea trout and one 28" red drum. Multiple citations were issued to each individual. Cases are pending.

#### Trial by Fire

A Polk County Game Warden responded to a boat fire on Lake Livingston. Upon arriving, the warden observed five individuals swimming in the water near a boat engulfed in flames. A young boy swimming from the flames stated he was tired and could not swim well. The warden removed his gun belt, swam toward the boy, and pulled him to safety. He noticed another individual struggling to swim and assisted him safely back to shore. The boat fire was extinguished by Onalaska Volunteer Fire Department. All occupants of the vessel were safe and uninjured.

#### Gator Done

Orange County Game Wardens received a call from the Orange County Sheriff's Office Dispatch reporting several deputies were attending to an alligator near Bridge City. A game warden responded to the popular fishing spot and discovered three teenagers had caught a 7-foot alligator. The youths had also enlisted the help of another person to kill it. The three teenagers were cited for taking the alligator in closed season. The alligator was turned over to a nuisance control hunter. Cases are pending.

#### The Other White Meat

The Texas Game Warden Criminal Investigation Division (CID) provided Bexar County Game Wardens with information regarding an individual selling deer meat on Craigslist. The game wardens responded to a residence in Southern Bexar County where the suspect admitted to attempting to sell the deer meat and gave information where the white-tailed deer had been killed. The individual was cited for selling white-tailed deer meat.

#### What's My Age Again?

Wise and Jack County Game Wardens observed a male subject who appeared to have passed out on a pontoon boat. His legs were hanging from the passenger compartment near the engine while the vessel was underway. The wardens stopped the boat and determined the subject was underage and highly intoxicated. Other minors on the boat also admitted to consuming alcohol. An adult on the boat confessed to one of the wardens that he provided the alcohol knowing underage occupants were consuming it. One subject was placed under arrest for public intoxication and another arrested for the purchasing/furnishing alcohol to a minor. Citations for minors in consumption of alcohol were issued to the occupants who had a detectable amount of alcohol in their system.

#### X Marks the Spot

Bell County Game Wardens were contacted by a local landowner's agent who was on the property hunting hogs when he came across a male individual digging for arrowheads without the landowner's permission. Wardens arrived on the scene and discovered an eight-foot hole the suspect had dug and several artifacts. The wardens arrested the digger. The suspect had a lengthy criminal history and had recently been released from the penitentiary. He was charged with antiquities code violations, criminal trespass, and criminal mischief. Cases are pending.

### Game Warden cases continued...

#### Bee Careful!

A swarm of bees attacked a rancher utilizing an open top bulldozer to clear brush from his property when he inadvertently ran over their hive. Unable to be removed from his vehicle, a ranch hand covered him in blankets and called emergency services for assistance. Supported by local EMS, Sheriff's Department, and Eldorado Volunteer Fire Department, Schleicher and Sutton County Game Wardens responded to the incident. The volunteer fire department sprayed down the area to remove some of the bees. One of the responding wardens, an avid beekeeper in his spare time, applied his knowledge to reach the rancher. Wearing his personal beekeeping suits, the wardens and sheriff removed the man from the bulldozer. Since the area was inaccessible to EMS vehicles, the wardens cleared their truck and transported the severely stung operator to EMS vehicles who were waiting to take him to the hospital. He recovered from his injuries.

## LEGAL NOTICES

### CITY OF TAHOKA NOTICE OF ELECTION

TO THE RESIDENT, QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF TAHOKA:

TAKE NOTICE THAT AN ELECTION WILL BE HELD IN SAID CITY AS PROVIDED IN AN ORDINANCE CALLING A BOND ELECTION DULY PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF SAID CITY, WHICH ORDINANCE IS SUBSTANTIALLY AS FOLLOWS:

ORDINANCE CALLING A BOND ELECTION TO BE HELD WITHIN THE CITY; MAKING PROVISIONS FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION; AND ORDAINING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATED THERETO

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Tahoka, Texas (the "City") deems it advisable to call the bond election hereinafter ordained (the "Election"); and

WHEREAS, the City is contracting with Lynn County (the "County") for the administration of the election pursuant to an interlocal agreement with the County (the "Election Contract"); and

WHEREAS, the County, acting through the Lynn County Clerk (the "County Clerk") in accordance with the Election Contract, will provide for the administration of the Election for the residents of the City; and

WHEREAS, it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was adopted was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place, and purpose of the meeting was given, all as required by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAHOKA, TEXAS:

**Section 1. Findings.** The statements contained in the preamble of this Ordinance are true and correct and adopted as findings of fact and operative provisions hereof.

**Section 2. Election Ordained; Polling Places.** The Election shall be held in the City between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on November 2, 2021 ("Election Day"). Said City shall constitute a single election precinct for said Election, and the Election shall be conducted by the County, as provided by Chapter 271, Texas Election Code (the "Code") and the Election Contract. Voting for the Election on Election Day shall occur at the Life Enrichment Center located at 1717 N. Main Street, Tahoka, Texas.

**Section 3. Early Voting.** Early voting shall be administered by the County. Early voting by personal appearance shall begin on October 18, 2021 and conclude on October 29, 2021, and will be conducted at Lynn County Courthouse located at 1501 South 1st Street, Tahoka, Texas. The hours designated for early voting by personal appearance shall be from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on each day except Saturdays, Sundays and legal state holidays, and there shall be extended hours for early voting on October 18, 2021 and October 29, 2021 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**Section 4. Election Officials.** The appointment of the Presiding Election Judges, Alternate Judges, Early Voting Clerks, the Presiding Judge of the early ballot board and other election officials for the Election shall be made by the County Clerk, as applicable, in accordance with the Election Contract and the Code. The County Clerk may employ other personnel necessary for the proper administration of the Election, including such part-time help as is necessary to prepare for the Election, to ensure the timely delivery of supplies during early voting and on Election Day, and for the efficient tabulation of ballots at the central counting station. The City Council of the City hereby authorizes the Mayor, the City Manager, and the City Secretary, to execute or attest on behalf of the City the Election Contract with the County.

**Section 5. Voting by Mail.** Applications for voting by mail for all residents of the City shall be submitted by personal delivery not later than October 22, 2021, or shall be mailed to the address below and received (not postmarked) by October 22, 2021.

Applications for voting by mail for all residents of the City shall be sent as follows:

Postal Mail	Lynn County Clerk
Commercial Carrier or	1501 South 1st Street, Tahoka, Texas 79373
Personal Delivery	P.O. Box 937, Tahoka, Texas 79373
Telephone	806.561.4750
Email	karen.strickland@co.lynn.tx.us

**Section 6. Early Voting Ballots.** An Early Voting Ballot Board shall be created to process early voting results of the Election and the Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board shall be designated by the County Clerk. The Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board shall appoint two or more additional members to constitute the Early Voting Ballot Board members and, if needed, the Signature Verification Committee members required to efficiently process the early voting ballots.

**Section 7. Qualified Voters.** All qualified electors of and residing in the City, shall be entitled to vote at the election.

**Section 8. Proposition.** At the Election the following PROPOSITION shall be submitted in accordance with law:

CITY OF TAHOKA, TEXAS SPECIAL ELECTION  
CITY OF TAHOKA, TEXAS PROPOSITION A

Shall the City Council of the City of Tahoka, Texas, be authorized to issue and sell the bonds of said City, in one or more series or issues, in the aggregate principal amount of \$4,525,000 for the purpose of designing, constructing, reconstructing, improving, extending, expanding, upgrading and developing streets, roads, sidewalks, thoroughfares and related improvements in the City, including pedestrian right of ways, related drainage, utility relocation, signalization, landscaping, lighting, and signage; with said bonds to be issued in one or more series or issues, to mature serially or otherwise not to exceed 40 years from their date and bear interest at such rate or rates, not to exceed the respective limits prescribed by law at the time of issuance, and to be sold at such price or prices, as the City Council in its discretion shall determine; and shall there be levied and pledged, assessed and collected annually ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in said City in an amount sufficient, within the limits prescribed by law, to pay the annual interest on said bonds and provide a sinking fund to pay said bonds at maturity?

**Section 9. Ballots.** The official ballots for the Election shall be prepared in accordance with the Texas Election Code so as to permit the electors to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the aforesaid PROPOSITION with the ballots to contain such provisions, markings and language as required by law, and with such PROPOSITION to be expressed substantially as follows:

CITY OF TAHOKA, TEXAS SPECIAL ELECTION  
CITY OF TAHOKA, TEXAS PROPOSITION A

FOR _____ )	THE ISSUANCE OF \$4,525,000 BONDS BY THE CITY OF TAHOKA, TEXAS,
) )	FOR STREET AND ROAD IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CITY AND LEVYING A TAX SUFFICIENT
) )	TO MAKE THE PAYMENTS OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST THEREON.
AGAINST _____ )	

**Section 10. Compliance with Federal Law.** In all respects, the Election shall be conducted in accordance with the Code. Pursuant to the federal Help America Vote Act ("HAVA") and the Code, at each polling place there shall be at least one voting system that is equipped for disabled individuals, and each such voting system shall be a system that has been certified by the Texas Secretary of State as compliant with HAVA and the Code. The City hereby finds that the voting system to be used by the County Clerk in administering the Election is such a system, and orders that such voting equipment or other equipment certified by the Texas Secretary of State shall be used by the City in its elections.

**Section 11. Debt Obligations.** The following information is provided in accordance with the provisions of Section 3.009(b), Texas Election Code.

- (a) The proposition language that will appear on the ballot is set forth in Section 9 hereof.
- (b) The purpose for which the bonds are to be authorized is set forth in Section 8 hereof.
- (c) The principal amount of the debt obligations to be authorized is set forth in Sections 8 and 9 hereof.
- (d) If the bonds are approved by the voters, the City Council will be authorized to levy annual ad valorem taxes, on all taxable property in the City, sufficient, within the limits prescribed by law, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the cost of any credit agreements executed in connection with the bonds.
- (e) Based upon the bond market conditions at the date of adoption of this Ordinance, the maximum interest rate for any series of the bonds is estimated to be 5.00%. Such estimate takes into account a number of factors, including the issuance schedule, maturity schedule and the expected bond ratings of the proposed bonds and notes. Such estimated maximum interest rate is provided as a matter of information, but is not a limitation on the interest rate at which the bonds or notes, or any series thereof, may be sold.
- (f) If the bonds are approved, they may be issued in one or more series, to mature serially, over a period not to exceed 40 years from the date of issuance of each series of bonds.
- (g) The aggregate amount of the outstanding principal of the City's debt obligations as of the date of this Ordinance is \$1,857,000.
- (h) The aggregate amount of the outstanding interest of the City's debt obligations as of the date of this Ordinance is \$2,301,421.
- (i) The ad valorem debt service tax rate for the City as of the date of this Ordinance is \$0.0000 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation.

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"Everybody can be great...because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love."

- Martin Luther King Jr.

LEGAL NOTICES

CITY OF TAHOKA AVISO DE ELECCIÓN

PARA LOS ELECTORES HABILITADOS QUE RESIDEN EN LA CIUDAD DE TAHOKA:

TOME CONOCIMIENTO DE QUE SE CELEBRARÁ UNA ELECCIÓN EN DICHA CIUDAD COMO SE DISPONE EN UNA ORDENANZA QUE CONVOCA UNA ELECCIÓN DE BONOS DEBIDAMENTE APROBADA POR EL CONCEJO MUNICIPAL DE DICHA CIUDAD, Y DICHA ORDENANZA EXPRESA SUSTANCIALMENTE LO SIGUIENTE:

UNA ORDENANZA QUE CONVOCA UNA ELECCIÓN DE BONOS A CELEBRARSE DENTRO DE LA CIUDAD; QUE ESTIPULA LA CONDUCCIÓN DE LA ELECCIÓN; Y QUE ORDENA OTRAS DISPOSICIONES RELACIONADAS AL RESPECTO.

VISTO que el Concejo Municipal de la Ciudad de Tahoka, Texas (la "Ciudad") considera aconsejable convocar la elección de bonos que se ordena a continuación (la "Elección"); y

VISTO que la Ciudad está contratando con el Condado de Lynn (el "Condado") para la administración de la elección de conformidad con un acuerdo interlocal con el Condado (el "Contrato Electoral"); y

VISTO que el Condado, por medio del Secretario del Condado de Lynn (el "Secretario del Condado"), de acuerdo con el Contrato Electoral, proveerá para la administración de la Elección para los residentes de la Ciudad; y

VISTO que por este medio se determina y declara oficialmente que la sesión en la cual esta Ordenanza fue aprobada estaba abierta al público, y que se dio aviso público acerca del horario, el lugar y el propósito de dicha sesión, todo como se requiere en el Capítulo 551 del Código de Gobierno de Texas.

ENTONCES, POR LO TANTO, EL CONCEJO MUNICIPAL DE LA CIUDAD DE TAHOKA, TEXAS ORDENA:

Sección 1. Determinaciones. Las declaraciones contenidas en el preámbulo de esta Ordenanza son fidedignas y correctas y se adoptaron como determinaciones de hechos y disposiciones operativas en este caso.

Sección 2. Elección decretada; sitios de votación. La Elección se celebrará en la Ciudad entre las 7:00 a.m. y las 7:00 p.m. del 2 de noviembre de 2021 ("Día de las Elecciones"). Dicha Ciudad constituirá un único precinto electoral para tal Elección, y el Condado realizará la Elección, como se dispone en el Capítulo 271 del Código Electoral de Texas (el "Código") y el Contrato Electoral. La votación para la Elección el Día de las Elecciones se realizará en Life Enrichment Center, ubicado en 1717 N. Main Street, Tahoka, Texas.

Sección 3. Votación adelantada. La votación adelantada será administrada por el Condado. La votación adelantada en persona comenzará el 18 de octubre de 2021 y concluirá el 29 de octubre de 2021, y se llevará a cabo en Lynn County Courthouse, ubicado en 1501 South 1st Street, Tahoka, Texas. El horario designado para la votación adelantada en persona será de 8:30 a.m. a 5:00 p.m. cada día excepto los sábados, domingos y feriados oficiales del estado, con horarios extendidos para la votación adelantada el 18 de octubre de 2021 y el 29 de octubre de 2021 de 7 a.m. a 7 p.m.

Sección 4. Funcionarios electorales. La designación de los Jueces Presidentes de la Elección, los Jueces Suplentes, los Secretarios de Votación Adelantada, el Juez Presidente de la Junta de votación adelantada y otros funcionarios electorales para la Elección deberá hacerla el Secretario del Condado, según corresponda, de acuerdo con el Contrato Electoral y el Código. El Secretario del Condado podrá emplear todo otro personal necesario para la administración apropiada de la Elección, incluyendo toda ayuda a tiempo parcial como sea necesaria para preparar la Elección, asegurar la entrega oportuna de suministros durante la votación adelantada y el Día de las Elecciones, y para la tabulación eficiente de las boletas en la estación central de recuento de votos. Por el presente, el Concejo Municipal de la Ciudad autoriza al Alcalde, al Administrador de la Ciudad y al Secretario de la Ciudad a celebrar o certificar en nombre de la Ciudad el Contrato Electoral con el Condado.

Sección 5. Votación por correo. Las solicitudes para votar por correo para todos los residentes de la Ciudad deberán entregarse personalmente a más tardar el 22 de octubre de 2021, o pueden enviarse por correo a la dirección citada a continuación y recibirse a más tardar el 22 de octubre de 2021 (la fecha del sello postal no se considerará como la fecha de recepción).

Las solicitudes para la votación por correo para todos los residentes de la Ciudad deberán enviarse así:

Table with contact information for Lynn County Clerk: Correo postal, Transportista comercial o entrega personal, Teléfono, Correo electrónico.

Sección 6. Boletas de votación adelantada. Se creará una Junta de Boletas de Votación Adelantada para procesar los resultados de la votación adelantada de la Elección, y el Juez Presidente de la Junta de Boletas de Votación Adelantada deberá ser designado por el Secretario del Condado. El Juez Presidente de la Junta de Boletas de Votación Adelantada deberá designar dos o más miembros adicionales para constituir la membresía de la Junta de Boletas de Votación Adelantada y, de ser necesario, los miembros del Comité de Verificación de Firmas requeridos para procesar de manera eficiente las boletas de la votación adelantada.

Sección 7. Votantes habilitados. Todos los electores habilitados que residen en la Ciudad tendrán derecho a votar en la elección.

Sección 8. Proposición. En la Elección se someterá la siguiente PROPOSICIÓN de acuerdo con la ley:

ELECCIÓN ESPECIAL DE LA CIUDAD DE TAHOKA, TEXAS PROPOSICIÓN A DE LA CIUDAD DE TAHOKA, TEXAS

Se autorizará al Concejo Municipal de la Ciudad de Tahoka, Texas a emitir y vender bonos de dicha Ciudad, en una o más series o emisiones, por un importe total de capital de \$4,525,000, con el propósito de diseñar, construir, reconstruir, mejorar, extender, ampliar, actualizar y desarrollar calles, carreteras, aceras, vías públicas y mejoras relacionadas en la Ciudad, lo que incluye preferencias de paso de peatones, drenaje relacionado, reubicación de servicios públicos, señalización, jardinería, iluminación y señales, y dichos bonos se emitirán en una o más series o emisiones y vencerán en serie o de otra manera a más tardar a los 40 años de su fecha de emisión y devengarán interés a una(s) tasa(s) que no excederá(n) los límites respectivos dispuestos por la ley vigente al momento de la emisión y se venderán al (a los) precio(s) determinado(s) a criterio del Concejo Municipal; y se impondrán, preñarán, evaluarán y recaudarán impuestos ad valorem anuales sobre todas las propiedades gravables en dicha Ciudad, en una cantidad suficiente, dentro de los límites dispuestos por la ley, para pagar el interés anual sobre dichos bonos y proveer un fondo acumulativo para pagar tales bonos a su vencimiento?

Sección 9. Boletas. Las boletas oficiales para la Elección se prepararán de acuerdo con el Código Electoral de Texas a fin de permitir que los electores voten "A FAVOR" o "EN CONTRA" de la PROPOSICIÓN anteriormente mencionada, y las boletas contendrán dichas disposiciones, marcas y lenguaje exigidos por la ley, y dicha PROPOSICIÓN deberá expresarse sustancialmente como sigue:

ELECCIÓN ESPECIAL DE LA CIUDAD DE TAHOKA, TEXAS PROPOSICIÓN A DE LA CIUDAD DE TAHOKA, TEXAS

A FAVOR ) LA EMISIÓN DE BONOS POR EL IMPORTE DE \$4,525,000 POR LA CIUDAD DE TAHOKA, TEXAS PARA MEJORAS DE CALLES Y CARRETERAS EN LA CIUDAD, Y LA IMPOSICIÓN DE UN IMPUESTO EN CONTRA ) SUFICIENTE PARA PAGAR EL CAPITAL Y EL INTERÉS CORRESPONDIENTES.

Sección 10. Cumplimiento con la ley federal. En todos los aspectos, la Elección se administrará de acuerdo con el Código. De acuerdo con la Ley Ayuda a América a Votar ("HAVA", por sus siglas en inglés) federal y el Código, en cada sitio de votación deberá haber por lo menos un sistema de votación dotado para personas discapacitadas, y cada uno de dichos sistemas de votación deberá haber sido certificado por el Secretario de Estado de Texas como un sistema que cumple con la ley HAVA y el Código. La Ciudad por el presente determina que el sistema de votación a ser usado por el Secretario del Condado para administrar la Elección es tal sistema, y ordena que la Ciudad deberá usar en sus elecciones dicho equipo de votación u otro equipo certificado por el Secretario de Estado de Texas.

Sección 11. Obligaciones de deuda. La siguiente información se provee de acuerdo con las disposiciones de la Sección 3.009(b) del Código Electoral de Texas.

- (a) El lenguaje de la proposición que aparecerá en la boleta se establece en la Sección 9 del presente.
(b) El propósito para el cual se autorizarán los bonos se establece en la Sección 8 del presente.
(c) El importe de capital de las obligaciones de deuda a autorizarse se establece en las Secciones 8 y 9 del presente.
(d) De ser aprobados los bonos por los votantes, se autorizará al Concejo Municipal a imponer impuestos ad valorem anuales sobre todas las propiedades gravables en la Ciudad, dentro de los límites dispuestos por la ley, suficientes para pagar el capital y el interés sobre los bonos y el costo de todo arreglo crediticio ejecutado en relación con los bonos.
(e) Dada la condición del mercado de bonos preivalente a la fecha de adopción de esta Ordenanza, la tasa de interés máxima para cualquier serie de los bonos se estima que será del 5.00%. Dicho estimado considera varios factores, incluyendo el calendario de emisión, el calendario de vencimientos y la calificación prevista de los bonos y las obligaciones propuestos. Dicha tasa de interés máxima estimada se provee con fines informativos, y no representa un límite en cuanto a la tasa de interés a la que se venderán los bonos o las obligaciones, o cualquier serie de los mismos.
(f) De ser aprobados los bonos, dichos bonos podrán emitirse en una o más series, y vencer igualmente en serie, durante un periodo que no sobrepasará los 40 años a partir de la fecha de emisión de cada serie de bonos.
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No gain ... Tahoka Bulldogs #12 Brycyn Mann and #22 Jordan Martinez stop a Floydada running back for no yards. Floydada 39- Tahoka 6. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

Woodwork Dalton Wood (Reprinted from the post)

FINALLY there is a Grand Opening at my house. Don't come by expecting refreshments, though, because I'm talking about being able to open the garage door after a few days of being locked in or out because the electric automatic door opener quit working.

When the old door opener broke, the garage door people said it couldn't be fixed because parts for it no longer were manufactured and were no longer available. The thing was 32 years old, and Eli Whitney, who invented that model of opener the same year he did the cotton gin, has not been around for a while.

So we told them to get us a new one, which is now working fine, but I'm a bit leery of it. A garage door should be simple, right? You put in a door, get a gismo with a button that opens and closes the door. Not so simple, though, if you had to program it yourself, which, thankfully, we didn't have to do. The door people did all this, and when they left, everything works about like it always did, but from reading the manual of 25 letter size pages, front and back, I would say nobody without a masters degree in electrical engineering should ever attempt to reprogram the openers or hand held remotes.

The new opener has such things as "safe-t-Beam non-contact reversing system", automatic force guard control electronic programming "to easily adjust programming to set rate of opening speed, limits and force, and program new remotes." Here's a tip: don't try this. You'll be locked out of your garage forever, or at least until you can get the smart guys back out of Lubbock.

This new opener has something called CODE DODGER, which is explained in some confusing diagrams how to set to keep egghead burglars from opening your door by figuring out your code with some devilish device. Following all the steps to enable CODE DODGER probably would mess up the entire system, especially if you are an OLD CODGER.

There's also a section in the manual about reprogramming the overview, whatever that is, by pressing certain combinations on your remote which then will give you a blue light, then a "long blue" light, then a red one, or some combination thereof to do something I don't comprehend. If my remote ever starts flashing all those colors, I know I will have to park my car in front of my neighbor's house and use my house key to get inside my own home.

The tiny remote has three buttons on it, but the men from Lubbock warned us to only punch the top one for opening and shutting the door. I sure would like to punch one of those others, but I'm afraid if I do, it will turn off the TV sets in all the houses in my block. All the guys who live in my block are bigger than me, and I don't want them knocking on my door demanding what is going on.

I can imagine starting out the new year lying in a hospital bed and punching my new garage door remote, wondering why the nurse doesn't come running in.

I know now what those big-brains at Houston space center and Fort Lauderdale can do with all their smarts now that the space program has ended (I think).

They can just drive around in nice neighborhoods and offer (for a price) to help people open and close their garage doors. ~December 19, 2011

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### 2021 TGSB ELECTIONS – LEGAL NOTICE

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Voters in the North District will elect two (2) directors to a six-year term. North District: Andrews, Armstrong, Bailey, Baylor, Borden, Brewster, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Childress, Cochran, Coleman, Collingsworth, Cottle, Crane, Crosby, Culberson, Dallam, Dawson, Deaf Smith, Dickens, Donley, Ector, El Paso, Fisher, Floyd, Foard, Gaines, Garza, Glasscock, Gray, Hale, Hall, Hansford, Hardeman, Hartley, Haskell, Hemphill, Hockley, Howard, Hudspeth, Hutchinson, Jeff Davis, Jones, Kent, King, Knox, Lamb, Lipscomb, Loving, Lubbock, Lynn, Martin, Midland, Mitchell, Moore, Motley, Nolan, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Pecos, Potter, Presidio, Randall, Reeves, Roberts, Runnels, Scurry, Sherman, Stohewall, Swisher, Taylor, Terrell, Terry, Ward, Wheeler, Wichita, Wilbarger, Winkler, and Yoakum.

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Any person qualified to vote in the election may place his or her name on the ballot for nomination to represent the district in which he or she resides on the Texas Grain Sorghum Producers Board for a maximum term to six years. The nominee must certify that he or she is willing to serve if elected. The nomination form must be signed by the nominee and must have the signatures and complete mailing addresses of ten other eligible voters who reside in the district the person is seeking to represent. Nomination forms may be obtained from TGSB staff by contacting Morgan Webb at (806) 438-5994 or at morgan@texasorghum.org. Nominations must be filed with the Texas Grain Sorghum Producers Board by November 16, 2021.

The election will be held by mail ballot, which will be available to all eligible voters no later than 15 days prior to the election. Completed ballots must be mailed to Texas Grain Sorghum Board, 4201 N. I-27, Lubbock, TX 79403 and must be postmarked before midnight on December 17, 2021. Persons qualified to vote who do not receive a ballot 15 days prior to the election may obtain one at their local county agricultural extension office, grain elevator, or by contacting TGSB staff at (806) 438-5994 or at morgan@texasorghum.org.

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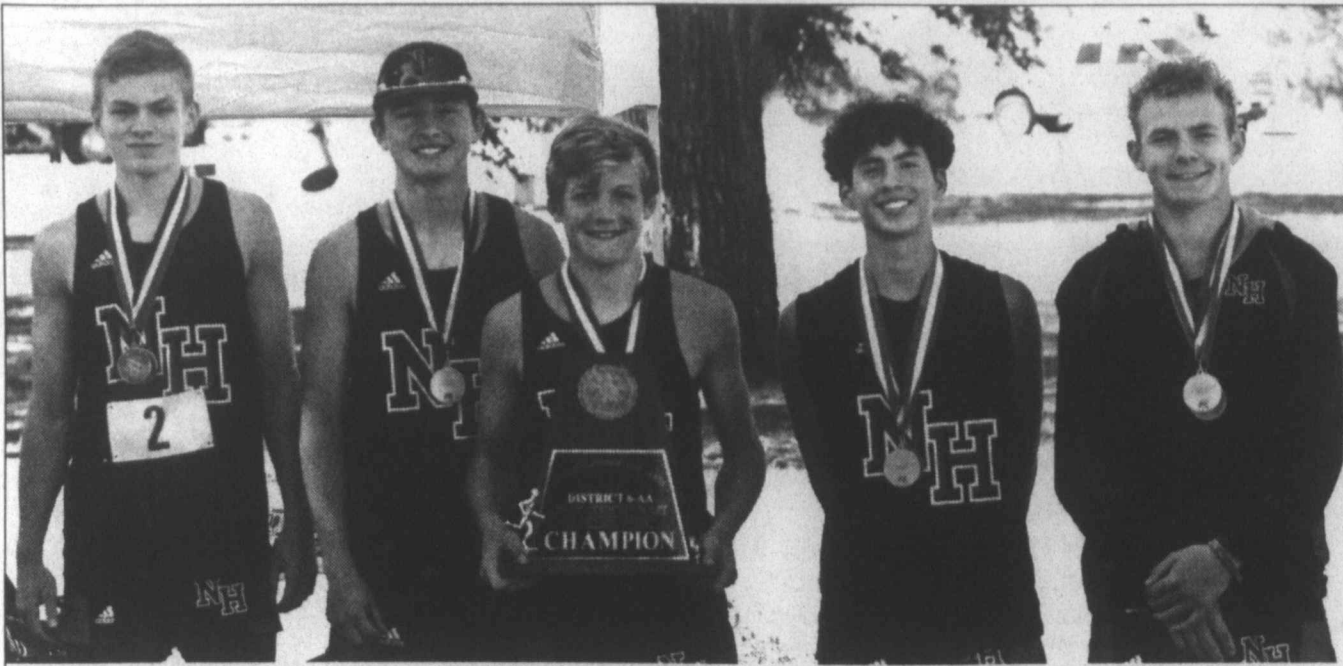
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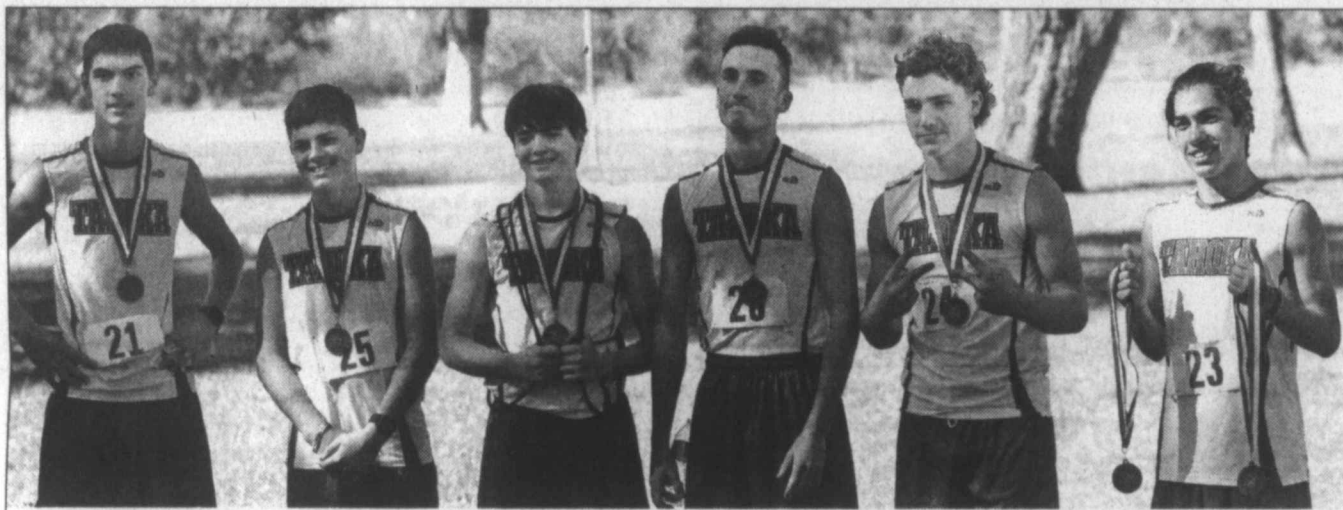
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**District Championship Team ...** The New Home High School varsity boys Cross Country team were the Champion team in the District 6-AA Cross Country Meet held in Lamesa on Monday. They are, from left, Trey Evans, Reagan Fiedler, Micah Boynton, Jackson Martinez and Kadence Power. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)



**District Runner-Up ...** The New Home High School varsity girls Cross Country team were the Runner-Up team in the District 6-AA Cross Country Meet held in Lamesa on Monday. They are, from left, Yasmin Romero, Camry Bundy, Kendal Franco, Keely Franco, Haydn Scott, MaKenna Johnson and Milan Williams. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)



**Third place team ...** Tahoka High School varsity boys Cross Country Team placed third at the District 6-2A XC Meet, and will advance to the regional meet. They are, from left, Luke Cypert, Cadyn Mann, Zane Garvin, Bryson Mann, Ahren Carrasco, and Jesus Liendo. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)

**Area News** from area newspapers

**Finding a better way to fish**

LAMESA – When not working as an exterminator battling bugs, Mackie Nelson enjoys fishing whenever he has free time. His fishing activity has catapulted into him becoming an inventor after tiring of fish nibbling his bait without taking the hook.

The president of M&M Exterminators spent years trying to come up with a hook that could bait itself after a fish makes off with the dangling food. After years of working on a method, he finally came up with the Baitanator, a fish hook that automatically re-baits itself without leaving the water.

Nelson's Baitanator has attracted a lot of attention. He and his patented design were featured on a Lubbock TV station several months ago.

Packages containing three hooks are available at Nelson's business at 2007 Seminole Hwy in Lamesa. They sell for \$4.88.

"We've been selling them all over the country," Nelson said. "We shipped some to Saudi Arabia last year and we shipped some to Israel a few months ago."

Nelson said the hooks are geared toward the inexperienced and children. His invention allows fishermen to re-bait their hooks without having to disturb their fishing.

-- from the Lamesa Press-Reporter

**Three honored at Slaton banquet**

SLATON – Three men in agricultural and railroad industries were honored for their years of hard work during the Slaton Ag and Commerce Luncheon at First Baptist Church's Activity Hall recently.

Honored this year were Stuart Swanner as Farmer of the Year, Arturo Lopez as Farm Hand of the Year, and Larry Lee as Railroader of the Year.

-- from The Slatonite

**The mystery of the missing mailboxes: Who is to blame?**

SEMINOLE – During the Thursday morning meeting of the Gaines County Commissioners Court, Judge Tom Keyes said there had been an issue at the state line on Hwy. 180E concerning mailboxes. The problem exists with Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) moving mailboxes out of the right-of-way while working on the highways.

"And it's really beginning to perturb some people that their mailboxes are being moved," he said.

TxDOT wants to place the boxes around the county's right-of-way.

"We don't want the mailboxes on our right-of-way either because it really creates a hazard," Keyes said. "I just wanted to get y'all's take on it."

-- from the Seminole Sentinel

**Three arrested after manhunt**

LAMESA – Two men arrested after a three-hour manhunt last Thursday, along with another man they initially were with, remained in Dawson County Jail Friday afternoon. The men are suspects in oilfield pipe theft.

All three face felony charges of conspiracy and theft of property over \$2,500. Charges of evading, a Class A misdemeanor, also have been filed against the two who were the focus of the manhunt about 15 miles southeast of Lamesa.

The manhunt ended shortly before dark Thursday when the two men were spotted by law enforcement in a cotton field walking toward Hwy 87. -- from the Lamesa Press-Reporter

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**Running against the wind ...** Tahoka's #22 Jordan Martinez finds some tough yards against the Floydada Whirlwinds Friday night. #77 Jon Dylan Rodriguez and #24 Richard Quintero help with blocking. Floydada 39-Tahoka 6. (LCN PHOTO by Gary Jones)



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