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Now that's funny?

Inflation is when you pay fifteen dollars for the ten-dollar haircut you used to get for five dollars when you had hair. -- Sam Ewing

To err is human, but to really foul things up you need a computer. -- Paul R. Ehrlich

A study of economics usually reveals that the best time to buy anything is -- Marty Allen last year.

Two arrests made in incidents here

by JUANELL JONES

ahoka Police made two arrests in two separate incidents here during the week, with one man arrested for violating a protective order and other charges, and a female arrested for public intoxication and child endangerment after she drove her vehicle onto someone else's lawn.

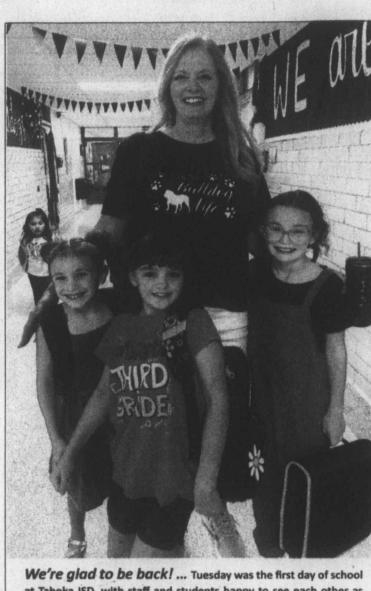
Jose Hernandez, 24, was arrested for violation of a protective order after police were called to a residence in the 1800 block of Ave. R in Tahoka at 11:40 p.m. Aug. 10 on a call reporting an unwanted person. Police also charged him with a state jail felony charge of possession of a controlled substance, and for illegal possession of a firearm.

Danica Ashcroft, 31, was arrested on state jail felony charges of a vehicle parked in a driveway in endangerment to a child and public intoxication, during two related incidents that occurred at 7:45 p.m. Aug. 14. Police were called to the 2200 block of Lockwood where a man and a woman in vehicle were reportedly arguing. When an officer arrived, the man had gotten out 5:30 a.m. Aug. 15 called police to of the vehicle and the woman had driven off, with her small child in the vehicle. The man reportedly told police that the woman was intoxicated, and police were about to search for the vehicle when another

call came in reporting that a vehicle driven by a woman had been driven up into someone's yard on N. 7th Street. The woman was reportedly outside the vehicle when police arrived, so police arrested her for public intoxication, and also for endangerment to a child. She was transported to Lynn County Jail, and the 4-year-old child was taken by Children's Protective Services.

A complaint of loud music from the 2000 block of N. 5th brought police to the location at 2:26 a.m. Aug. 13, and although the man did turn down the music, he was also issued a citation for possession of drug paraphernalia.

A woman riding a bicycle at report that a stray dog bit her on her thigh as she was riding in the 2100 block of N. 1st. She refused treatment from EMS, according to police reports. Animal Control (See POLICE REPORT, page 6)



NEW

PRICE:

at Tahoka ISD, with staff and students happy to see each other as school classes resume. Pictured here is Tahoka Elementary teacher Tina Wuensche with students Zoey Gonzales, Saydi Henderson and (TISD PHOTO by Lanae Gwin) **Tehran Gonzales.**

"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord ... plans to give you hope and a future!" - JEREMIAH 29:11

Tahoka Methodist Church congregation

votes to disaffiliate with United Methodists

Don't forget to take your LCN on trips!

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WHAT'S NWS official readings for Tahoka Precip. Date High Low 95 72 0.17" Aug 9 Aug 10 88 70 Aug 11 94 69 94 69 Aug 12 Aug 13 96 70 Aug 14 97 73 Aug 15 94 (Precipitation/temps measured as of 6 a.m. on date reported, for the previous 24-hr period) **Total Precip for Jan: Total Precip for Feb** 0.19" **Total Precip for Mar:** 0.19" **Total Precip for Apr** 0" **Total Precip for May:** 0.60"

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by JUANELL JONES

n a historic decision by the members of First United Methodist Church of Tahoka, a longtime affiliate of the United Methodist Church (UMC) denomination, the congregation has voted to disaffiliate from the United Methodist Church. It is an action that is being considered by many United Methodist Churches not only in Texas, but throughout the United States and, in fact, globally.

The vote is part of a significant global movement in which churches affiliated with the United Methodist Church are considering disaffiliation because of a growing disillusionment with the denom-

ination's shift in how it views the authority of Scripture and the lack of accountability for those violating biblical and denominational standards.

In general terms, there is a di-

IRST METHODIST CHURCH

vision of thought and practices between traditional, conservative teachings and the more progressive liberal points of view, including issues related to same sex marriages, as well as the sinlessness of Jesus, and a purported belief that denies the resurrection.

Over the last few years, many of those disillusioned with the continuing direction of the UMC have worked to form a new Wesleyan denomination called the Global Methodist Church (GMC), which embraces a more orthodox understanding of the Wesleyan doctrine and upholds the basic essentials of the Christian faith. The GMC officially launched on May 1, 2022.

Tahoka First United Methodist, a member of the Big Spring Dis-trict in the Northwest Texas Conference of the United Methodist

was allegedly not unanimous, church members voted overwhelmingly in favor of the disaffiliation.

After the vote for disaffiliation, local church members then undertook a second vote on whether to choose to join the Global Methodist Church - a vote which also passed.

Rev. Billy Everett, pastor of the Tahoka Methodist Church, said that the issue has been a topic of conversation for the past several years throughout the United Methodist conference. He believes that the split, at least in the Northwest Texas Conference in which the Tahoka church is a member, will be an amicable, peaceful process between those churches who choose to remain members of what will become the Continuing United Methodist Church and churches that may choose to affiliate with the

All United Methodist Church congregations are being encouraged to formally vote on whether to stay with the Continuing United Methodist Church, or to disaffiliate, by Dec. 3.

Church, was the first church in the Big Spring District to vote on the issue, according to the local pastor. The Northwest Texas Conference encompasses 201 United Methodist Churches in Northwest Texas, including the Big Spring District, which has 41 churches.

Tahoka church members met Tuesday, Aug. 2, for a church-wide vote on whether to disaffiliate with the UMC, which required a two-thirds vote of those voting to pass and effectively exit the UMC denomination. Ballots were cast anonymously, and while the vote

new Global Methodist Church.

"The Tahoka Church has traditionally held with the more traditional, conservative practices and beliefs, and so you really won't see much difference in how the church here practices. It should be pretty seamless," said the pastor.

"However, because of the continuing more liberal views being embraced by the United Methodist Church, the Northwest Texas Conference - and many other conferences - are encouraging their congregations to formally vote on (See METHODIST CHURCH, page 8)

Total Precip for June:

Total Precip for July:

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Total Precip. for 2022:



Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit; wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad. -- MILES KINGTON



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Honored ... On Tuesday, August 9, the Phebe K. Warner Club met to honor Edna White. Mayor John Baker issued a proclamation in recognition of her 56 years of service to the Phebe K. Warner Study Club and the City of Tahoka. The event was followed by a brownie sundae celebration.

Did you know?

 In 1916, Jeanette Rankin became the first female member of Congress in America, four years before women were given the right to vote.

· Mount Rushmore almost featured the heads of famous American West heroes, like Buffalo Bill Cody, but the lead sculptor argued that the subjects should be more recognizable.

Allergies getting to you?

Allergy symptoms can include: Rash, Tearing, Runny Nose, Red Eyes, Itching, Sneezing



Allergy testing and injections

Nevill to present Brimming Bakery program at library

Carissa Nevill will present a program about her home cottage bakery industry, at the City/County Library adult program on Tuesday, Aug. 23, from 10-11 a.m.

The library's adult programs are free and open to anyone ages 18+, at the library located inside the Life Enrichment Center at 1717 Main Street in Tahoka. Nevill is the owner of The Brimming Bakery in Tahoka. Along with her presentation, she will

provide some tasty samples-



Phebe K. Study Club honors Edna White

Club met on Tuesday, August 9, at the Tahoka First Baptist Church, to honor Edna White in recognition of her 56 years education fund became the of service.

and in 1974-1976, she was District Treasurer. The project that she was involved in was the creation of

Girlstown USA Education fund to assist residents and associate member for several alumni in education. The years as she was living out of project was continued until town.

The Phebe K. Warner it totaled \$152,000 and many girls were helped. After merging 'with Cal Farley's Boys Ranch in 1987, the Caprock District Scholarship Edna joined in 1966 Fund and continued until 2021. She also served as Caprock District President and Phebe K. Warner Club President.

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Edna has been an

Senior Citizens Menu

August 22-26

Join us for exercises on Monday, Wednesday & Thursday from 11 a.m - Noon!

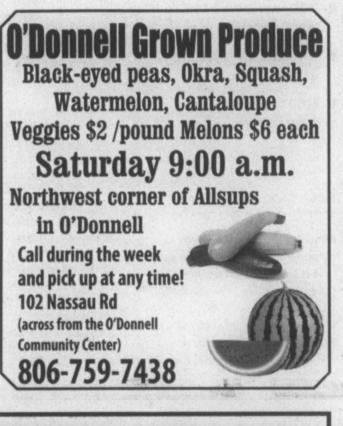
Monday: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, winter blend vegetables, apple fluff

Tuesday: BBQ Chicken breast filet, baked potato w/ sour cream, mixed vegetables, mandarin oranges

Wednesday: Sloppy Joe on bun, potato salad, carrots & zucchini, creamy fruit square

Thursday: Chicken fajitas, fajita vegetables, chuck wagon corn, Spanish rice, fruit cocktail

Friday: Beef stroganoff, noodles, mixed vegetables, winter fruit cup



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Notice is hereby given that applications for a place on the O'Donnell Independent School District Special Election ballot may be filed during the following time:

(Se da aviso por la presente que las solicitudes para un lugar en la boleta de la Elección Especiales de O'Donnell Independent School District se pueden presenter durante el siguiente horario:)

Filing Dates and Times: (Fechas y Horario para Entregar Solicitudes)

Start Date:	08/17/2022	End Date:	08
(Fecha Inicio)		(Fecha Limite)	

3/25/2022 (Fecha Limite)

Office Hours: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday (Horario de la Oficina) de 8:00 am a 4:00 pm, lunes-viernes

Physical address for filing applications in person for place on the ballot: (Dirección a fisica para presentar las solicitudes en persona para un lugar en la boleta) O'Donnell ISD Administration Office (Oficinas Administrativas del DEI de O'Donnell) 400 Small St. O'Donnell, TX 79351

Address to mail applications for place on the ballot (if filing by mail): (Dirección a donde enviar las solicitudes para un lugar en la boleta (en caso de presentar por correo)) O'Donnell ISD Administration Office (Oficinas Administrativas del DEI de O'Donnell)

Attn: Elections Filing 400 Small St. O'Donnell, TX 79351

Email or Fax Number to send an application for place on the ballot: (Dirección de correo electrónico o número de fax para enviar una sollicitud para un lubar en la boleta) cpalmer@esc17.net

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is about a half cent less than

last year, which was \$0.4950.

The funds generated from the

I&S tax rate are used only

for paying bonded indebted-

Currently, NHISD has an out-

\$21,145,000 in debt service.

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New Home ISD to propose 2-cent lower tax rate

New Home Independent of all property in New Home School District is publishing ISD increased \$34.8 million, information this week that they are considering proposing a tax rate of \$1.4358 per \$100 of property value, which new property of \$17,227,110, is approximately two cents compared to \$11,876,100 the lower than last year's total tax previous year. rate of \$1,4553.

Some tax relief will be The \$1.43 tax rate inprovided to homeowners by cludes a Maintenance & Opthe homestead exemptions, erating (M&O) tax rate of which has increased this year, \$0.9429, and an Interest & due to voter approval in the Sinking Fund (I&S) tax rate Constitutional Amendment of \$0.4929 to pay off bonded election held May 7. Homeowners will be allowed a The proposed M&O rate is \$40,000 homestead exempabout 1.5-cents less than the tion this year, compared to \$0.9603 rate from last year, previous years of \$25,000 off

and the proposed I&S rate the value of their homes. The NHISD Board of Trustees will hold a public meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 29 in the New Home ISD Board Room to discuss the ness incurred by the district. school district's budget that will determine the tax rate standing principal balance of that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion The total appraised value is invited.

from \$255,162,800 last year to \$290,035,210 this year, including total appraised value of

50-280 (Rev. 8-19/5)	NOTICE OF PUBLIC	MEETIN	NG TO DISCUSS
	BUDGET AND P	ROPOSE	ED TAX RATE
The	NEW HOME INDEPENDEN	T SCHOOL DI	ISTRICT will hold a public
meeting at	7:00 PM August 29, 2022	in	the New Home ISD Board Room
	in New Home, Texas	The	purpose of this meeting is to discuss the
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the proposed ra		oublishes a rev	parate meeting at a later date may not exceed vised notice containing the same information g to discuss the revised notice.
Mainter	nance Tax \$9429	_/\$100 (Propo	osed rate for maintenance and operations)

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School Debt Service Tax				
Approved by Local Voters	\$.4929	/\$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)	

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	2.5	% increase	or	% (decrease)
Debt service	3	% increase	or	% (decrease)
Total expenditures	5	% increase	or	% (decrease)

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Tax Code Section 26.04)

	Prece	ding Tax Year	Current Tax Year		
Total appraised value* of all property	\$	255,162,800	\$	290,035,210	
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$	11,876,100	\$	17,227,110	
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$	151,603,500	\$	168,884,350	
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$	11,013,630	\$	16,668,020	

"Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(8).

"New property" is defined by Tax Code Section 26.012(17).

*** "Taxable value" is defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(10).

Bonded Indebtedness	
Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$	21,145,000
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4-H Golf Tourney is big success!

The 24th Annual Lynn County 4-H Golf Tournament was held at T-Bar Country Club on August 6, 2022. Twenty-five teams came from all over Texas to compete in the four-man scramble.

Letter to the Editor

A special thank you goes to Steve Sanders and Brad Smith for their hard work in getting the greens in top-notch condition for our golfers. We heard from multiple golfers that the course was the best one they've played on in a while! What a gem we have in Lynn County! Bryan Reynolds and Jeff Martin are always instrumental in helping organize and coordinate the fundraiser and this year was no different. The tournament would not happen if it were not for the generosity and leadership of these two men. Thank you, Bryan and Jeff!

We are grateful for all our sponsors for this year's tournament! Without their continued support and generosity, the fundraiser could not be as successful as it is. Tournament sponsors were Diamond D Irrigation, H & S Pressure, Lynn County Healthcare System, Perdue, Brandon & Fielder, Premier Ford of Lamesa, and South Plains Implement. Club sponsors were Ag Texas, Ashcraft Insurance Agency, Hurst Farm Supply, Jeff & Cassie Martin Farms, K-SIS Cattle Company, Matt Hamel Ag Products, Meraki Meadows, Rockin' C Farms, Tahoka Drug, Taylor Made Cattle, Texas Star Co-Op Gin, The Home Place, and Wells Farmers Co-Op. Hole sponsors were: Adam & Kristi Walker, The Blake Moore Family, Creative Awards, Designs & Daisies, Forbes & Graham Cattle, Hair by Stormee, Kodi & Kaci Scott, Lynn County Soil & Water Conservation District, Lyntegar Electric Co-Op, Martin Gill's Heating & Air, Mike & Carol White, Tahoka Stock Show Syndicate, and The Pump & 211 Snack Shack.

First place winners of Flight 1 were Stan Bradbury, Sheila Bradbury, Mark Morris, and Owen Morris. Second place winners of Flight 1 were Toby Taylor, Matt Taylor, Ethan Curry, and Justin Garrett. First place winners of Flight 2 were Jonathan Webb, John Angerer, Jacob Angerer, and Corey Williams. The team placing second in Flight 2 was Smith McLelland, Jay Martin, Preston Hammonds, and Ryan Robertson.

In the morning putting contest, Bryan Reynolds earned first place and Rhyan Ehlers was second place. First place in the afternoon putting contest was Ben Beckham and Brad Smith was second place. In the morning chipping contest, Logan Stutler was first place and Scottie Olivan was second place. Owen Morris was the afternoon chipping contest winner, with Hadley Reynolds coming in second place. Winner of the Closest to the Pin contest was John Angerer and Owen Morris won the longest drive.

Cheers erupted from hole three during the morning session and although most won't believe it-Slate May had hit a hole in one. We had to have a picture to document the moment! Way to go, Slate!

Each year, in conjunction with the Golf Tournament, Lynn County 4-H holds a Raffle Ticket Drawing. Tickets are sold by 4-H members and the drawing takes place at the end of the golf tournament. This year's Grand Prize winner of a two-night stay at the Great Wolf Lodge was Ryan Curry. Bryan Reynolds won the second prize of \$500, and Amanda Harrington won the third prize for a fire pit. Thank you to all who purchased tickets this year! A special thank you goes to Tahoka Farmers Co-Op for their generous donation of the beautiful fire pit.

This annual event is always held on the first Saturday in August and is the main fundraiser of the year for Lynn County 4-H. Funds are used to pay for entry fees to contests, project materials, and equipment for our 4-H program. Make plans to join us for the 25th annual Golf Tournament next August!

> Kaci Scott, CEA-FCH Lynn County, Texas AgriLife Extension Service

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Co	mpa	rison of I	ropo	sed Rates	with	Last Year	's Rat	es		
		tenance erations	Interest <u>& Sinking Fund</u> *		Total		Local Revenue Per Student		State Revenue Per Student	
Last Year's Rate	\$.9603	\$.4950*	\$	1.4553	\$	4,032	\$	8,929
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue &										
Pay Debt Service	\$	1.0658	\$.4791 *	\$	1.5449	\$	4,250	\$	8,586
Proposed Rate	\$.9429	\$.4929 *	\$	1.4358	\$	4,120	\$	8,60

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

		t Year	Thi	s Year	
Average Market Value of Residences	\$	272,362	\$	282,314	
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$	231,118	\$	236,619	
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$	1.4553	\$	1.4358	
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$	3,363.46	\$	3,397.37	
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes			\$	33.91	

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Voter-Approval Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter

1.4358 approval at an election is . This election will be automatically held if

the district adopts a rate in excess of the voter-approval rate of 1.4358

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

> Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s) 2,412,983

> > 443,024

Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)

A school district may not increase the district's maintenance and operations tax rate to create a surplus in maintenance and operations tax revenue for the purpose of paying the district's debt service.

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PUBLIC NOTICE	SENIOR 2023
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE The TAHOKA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT will hold a public	Likes
meeting at August 29, 2022 6:00 Pm in Board Room at the Harvick Bidg	
discussion is invited. The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice. Maintenance Tax \$	
<u>Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget</u> The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:	Senior year Tahoka High School seniors Payton Easter, Serenity Campbell and Axie Allen paused beneath the Seniors 2023 sign as they returned to classes Tuesday morning for their final year. (TISD PHOTO by Lanae Gwin)
Maintenance and operations <u>8.65</u> % increase or <u>%</u> (decrease)	Tahoka ISD board proposing
Debt service% increase or5.06 % (decrease)	slight property tax increase
Total expenditures6.69 % increase or% (decrease)	by JUANELL JONES \$1.04260 rate from last year Tahoka Independent but the proposed I&S rate is School District Board of two-cents higher, up from
Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Tax Code Section 26.04) Preceding Tax Year Current Tax Year	Trustees will hold a public meeting at 6 p.m. Aug. 29 at the Harvick Building, to dis- cuss the school district's bud-
Total appraised value* of all property \$\$\$\$\$\$\$	get and property tax rate for district. Currently, TISD has
Total appraised value* of new property** \$ 505,270 \$ 1,519,160	2023. The proposed total tax an outstanding principal bal- rate that trustees are consider- ance of \$12,265,000 in deb
Total taxable value *** of all property \$\$_ 444,081,995 \$\$_ 399,140,737	ing is \$1.34297, which is about service.
Total taxable value of new property** \$	a penny more than the previ- our year's rate of \$1,33640 of all preparty in Table
 "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(8). "New property" is defined by Tax Code Section 26.012(17). "Taxable value" is defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(10). 	ous year's rate of \$1.33640. of all property in Tahoka <i>The News</i> printed infor- mation last week that indi- cated a slight decrease in the tax rate was being considered this year. The total taxable
Bonded Indebtedness	by the board. However, those value of all property also de- were preliminary figures that creased nearly \$45 million.
Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$12,265,000	had been released by the dis- trict. And, actually there is to \$399,140,737 this year.

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		ntenance perations		Interest nking Fund*		<u>Total</u>	1	Revenue Student	 Revenue Student
Last Year's Rate	\$	1.04260	\$.29380 *	\$	1.33640	\$	6,081	\$ 10,517
Rate to Maintain Sam Level of Maintenan Operations Revenu	ce &								
Pay Debt Service	\$	1.23013	\$.32018 *	\$	1.55031	\$	6,418	\$ 9,981
Proposed Rate	\$	1.03240	\$.31057 *	\$	1.34297	\$	5,572	\$ 10,107

The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence									
	Last Year			This Year					
Average Market Value of Residences	\$	79,992	\$	96,227					
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$	51,362	\$	46,613					
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$	1.3364	\$	1.34297					
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$	686.40	\$	625.99					
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes			\$	(60.41)					

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Voter-Approval Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at

1.34297 . This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a an election is

1.34297 rate in excess of the voter-approval rate of

Outstanding principal

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$	8,240,000
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Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)

590,000

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proposed Maintenance and provided to homeowners by Operating tax rate (funds used the homestead exemptions, for daily operations of the dis- which has increased this year, trict), but that is being offset due to voter approval in the by a two-cent increase in the Constitutional Amendment Interest and Sinking fund to election held May 7. pay for bonded indebtedness. Homeowners will be allowed

one-cent decrease in the

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and Operating (M&O) rate of the value of their homes. \$1.03240 and an Interest and

rate is a penny less than the meeting.

According to figures re- a \$40,000 homestead exempleased this week, the board tion this year, compared to is proposing a Maintenance previous years of \$25,000 off

Some tax relief will be

TISD's proposed property Sinking (I&S) rate of \$0.31057, tax rate and the final approval for a total tax rate of \$1.34297. for the 2022-23 budget will be The proposed M&O voted on at the Aug. 29 board



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O'Donnell ISD to set special election

O'Donnell Independent School District (OISD) Board of Trustees met Aug. 16 in special session, voting to order a Special Election to fill a vacant seat on the board.

The Special Election will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 8 for the election of one at-large trustee to fill an unexpired term, for the seat vacated by Melissa Pedroza, who has moved away from the district. Candidates interested in

filing for a place on the ballot may contact O'Donnell ISD Administration Office for Lynn County more information. The filing **Farm Bureau** period is Aug. 17-25.

O'Donnell ISD to propose 5-cent tax rate increase

tax rate of \$1.43690 per \$100 \$9,648,499 in debt service. of property value, which is ap-

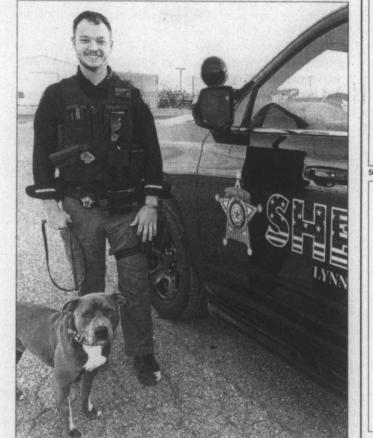
\$1.38140.

a Maintenance & Operating total taxable value of all prop-(M&O) tax rate of \$0.97910, erty also decreased nearly \$7.6 and an Interest & Sinking Fund million, from \$207,772,017 last (1&S) tax rate of \$0.45780 to year to \$200,178,462 this year. pay off bonded indebtedness. The M&O tax rate is actu- ees will hold a public meetally two-cents lower than last ing at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 23 year's M&O rate of \$0.99840, in the O'Donnell ISD Board but that is offset by an 8-cent Room to discuss the school increase in the I&S rate, from district's budget that will de-\$0.38300 last year to \$0.46716. termine the tax rate that will

O'Donnell Independent for paying bonded indebted-School District is publishing ness incurred by the district. information this week that they Currently, OISD has an outare considering proposing a standing principal balance of

The total appraised value of proximately five cents higher all property in O'Donnell ISD than last year's total tax rate of decreased about \$6.7 million, from \$215,328,177 last year The \$1.43 tax rate includes to \$208,610,772 this year. The

The OISD Board of Trust-The funds generated from be adopted. Public participathe I&S tax rate are used only tion in the discussion is invited.



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	NOTICE OF PUBL BUDGET AND				
1e	O'DONNELL INDEPENDEN				will hold a publi
eeting at	August 23, 2022 7:00PM			Board	Room, 400 Small Street
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Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$

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* Outstanding principal.

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Doing their job ... Lynn County Sheriff's Deputy Dalton Erb and his K9 partner, Dodger, continue to work in the war against drugs in the Lynn County area. Their latest find was locating approximately 17 grams found hidden under a center console in a vehicle. (LCN PHOTO)

Deadline is Aug. 22 for candidates filing for HPWD

Candidates for Precinct 1, 2, & 5 District Director of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 (HPWD) can file applications for place on the ballot beginning Monday, July 25, 2022, and ending at 5 p.m, Monday, August 22, 2022.

District Director Precinct One consists of Lynn County, Lubbock County, and the portion of Crosby County within the District. Dan Seal of Lubbock is the current director.

District Director Precinct Two consists of Lamb County, Cochran County, and the portion of Hockley County within the District. Brad Heffington of Littlefield is the current director.

District Director Precinct Five consists of Hale County, Swisher County, and the portion of Floyd County within the District. Ronnie Hopper of Petersburg is the current director. Candidates for HPWD District Director must meet all eligibility requirements found in Chapter 141.001 of the Texas Election Code.

To be eligible to be a candidate, a person must:

• Be a United States citizen;

• Be 18 years of age or older;

· Be a registered voter of the District by the August 22nd filing deadline;

· Have not been determined by a final judgment of a court exercising probate jurisdiction to be: (a) Totally mentally incapacitated or; (b) Partially mentally incapacitated without the right to vote; · Have not been finally convicted of a felony from which the person has not been pardoned or otherwise released from the resulting disabilities;

· Have resided continuously in the state for 12 months and in the territory from which the office is elected for six (6) months preceding the Monday, August 22nd filing deadline; and

· Satisfy any other eligibility requirements prescribed by law for the office.

For more information or to request a candidate packet during the filing period, please contact Gray Sanders at elections@hpwd. org or call (806) 762-0181.

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	Com	parison of	f Pro	posed Rate	s wit	th Last Yea	ar's Ra	ates		
		erations	<u>& Si</u>	Interest nking Fund*		Total		Revenue Student	Revenue Student	
Last Year's Rate	\$	0.99840	\$	0.38300*	\$	1.38140	\$	6.358	\$ 10,959	
Rate to Maintain Sam Level of Maintenan Operations Revenu	ce &									
Pay Debt Service	\$	1.05941	\$	0.46716*	\$	1.52657	\$	10,517	\$ 7,164	
Proposed Rate	\$	0.97910	\$	0.45780*	\$	1.43690	\$	9,767	\$.7.310	

The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

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	Last	Year	This	Year	
Average Market Value of Residences	ş	62,337	\$	74,472	
Average Taxable Value of Residences	s	33,705	\$	26 472	

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

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Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$	1.38140	\$ 1.43690	
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$	465.60	\$ 380.38	
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes			\$ (85.22)	

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

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an election is 1.43690 . This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a 1.43690

rate in excess of the voter-approval rate of

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

> Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s) 3,762,407

> Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s) 182,430

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Did you know? about TEXAS

. Texas is larger than any country in Europe. If Texas were its own country, it would be the 40th largest in land area. With an area of 268,820 sq. mi. Texas is second only to Alaska's landmass. King Ranch is the largest ranch in Texas and the US, at 1,289 square miles.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS **BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE**

WILSON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT will hold a public The

meeting at .

50-280 (Rev. 4-22/6)

Wilson ISD Boardroom

. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school Wilson, TX. district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax

.9429 /\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)

School Debt Service Tax .3594 /\$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness) Approved by Local Voters \$_____

(6:00 p.m., August 30, 2022)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	10.52	_% increase	or	% (decrease)
Debt service _	0	% increase	or	% (decrease)
Total expenditures	8.17	% increase	or	% (decrease)

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Tax Code Section 26.04)

	Prece	ding Tax Year	Current Tax Year		
Total appraised value* of all property	\$	276,487,225	\$	270,610,576	
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$	761,360	\$_·	554,880	
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$	197,546,395	\$	171,157,696	
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$	761,360	\$	554,880	

'Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(8) "New property" is defined by Tax Code Section 26.012(17).

*** "Taxable value" is defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(10).

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GO BULLDOGS! ... THS Cheerleader Addi Braddock is escorted by the Tahoka Bulldog Mascot at Meet The Bulldogs night held last week. (TISD PHOTO by Lanae Gwin)

Wilson ISD to propose 2-cent lower tax rate

Wilson \$100 of property value, which tryways at school facilities. is approximately two cents rate of \$1.32240.

The \$1.30 tax rate in- last year to \$270,610,576 cludes a Maintenance & Op- this year, including total aperating (M&O) tax rate of praised value of new prop-\$0.94290, and an Interest & erty of \$554,880, compared to Sinking Fund (I&S) tax rate \$761,360 the previous year. of \$0.35940 to pay off bond- The WISD Board of Trusted indebtedness. Wilson ISD ees will hold a public meeting voters approved a \$7.6 million at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 30 in bond November of 2019, for the Wilson ISD Board Room school improvements, includ- to discuss the school district's ing construction of a a new ag budget that will determine the facility, and renovation of the tax rate that will be adopted. school auditorium into a new Public participation in the disscience facility. Other im- cussion is invited.

Independent provements included roofing, School District is publishing electrical, plumbing, installainformation this week that tion of air conditioning for the they are considering propos- gymnasium, security fencing, ing a tax rate of \$1.30230 per and additional security for en-

The total appraised value lower than last year's total tax of all property in Wilson ISD decreased from \$276,487,225

Bonded Indebtedness

6,050,000 Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$

* Outstanding principal.

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	Comp	arison o	f Pro	posed Rate	s wit	th Last Ye	ar's R	ates	
		tenance erations		interest nking Fund*		Total		Revenue Student	 Revenue Student
Last Year's Rate	\$.96300	\$.35940 *	\$	1.32240	\$	11,380	\$ 10,172
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenand Operations Revenue Pay Debt Service	ce &	.95399	\$.34230 *	\$	1.29629	\$	11,131	\$ 9,384
Proposed Rate	\$.94290	\$.35940 *	\$	1.30230	s	11.071	\$ 9,640

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with	th Las	t Year's Lev	y on Av	erage Residence
	Last	Year	This	s Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$	74,797	\$	84,221
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$	57,854	\$	57,624
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$	1.3224	\$	1.30230
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$	765.06	\$	750.44
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes			\$	(14.62)

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

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Fund Balances

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> Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s) Ś 2,340,000

Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s) 160,000 Ś

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Police report

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the animals. Police plan to issue warrants on three separate the owners.

and someone reportedly took the scene.

caller had called her to tell her side of US 380. that she had won some money police.

sponded to several calls dur- did not locate any tornadoes. ing the week, but none were major.

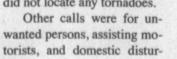
A caller reported that a torists, and domestic disturman wearing only jeans was bances.

seen in a bar ditch about 6 was called to the location, miles west of Tahoka on US where three dogs had ap- 380, at 8:46 a.m. Aug. 9. A parently been left behind by deputy located the man west owners who had moved out of CR M on US 380. He was of a house in the area, without transported to the Sheriff's providing food or water for Office to await a family member to pick him up.

A white Pitbull was recharges of animal cruelty on ported to have been left behind after renters moved out Theft of vehicle parts was of a property a mile east of reported to police at 9 a.m. US 87 on CR 1, with the caller Aug. 11, from a residence in telling LCSO that the dog did the 1100 block of N. 7th. Ap- not have any food or water parently the owner had sev- and was in bad shape. A depueral vehicle parts in the yard, ty met with the complainant.

Criminal mischief was a tailgate and tail lights from reported at 1:42 p.m. Aug. 9, when a caller reported that A caller reported a phone someone had been tearing scam at 1:15 p.m. Aug. 15, plywood off a house located telling police that a male east of Tahoka on the south

A woman called LCSO on a card but needed to go to at 4:43 p.m. Aug. 9 during a a local store and purchase the heavy rainfall to report two card. The victim realized the possible tornadoes about a call was a scam and did not mile east of US 87, with one provide any personal informa- bigger than the other, and tion, and reported the call to both moving to the northeast. However, no tornadoes Lynn County Sheriff's were reported by the National Office (LCSO) deputies re- Weather Service and deputies



The Lynn County Harvest Festival is Saturday, Sept. 17, 2022 on the Courthouse Square in Tahoka **RESERVE VENDOR SPACE NOW!** For Vendor space, contact by email: vendors.lynncountyhf@gmail.com Or call: Jynna Bass 806-759-4959 or: Marisa Webster 806-201-2279 *.....

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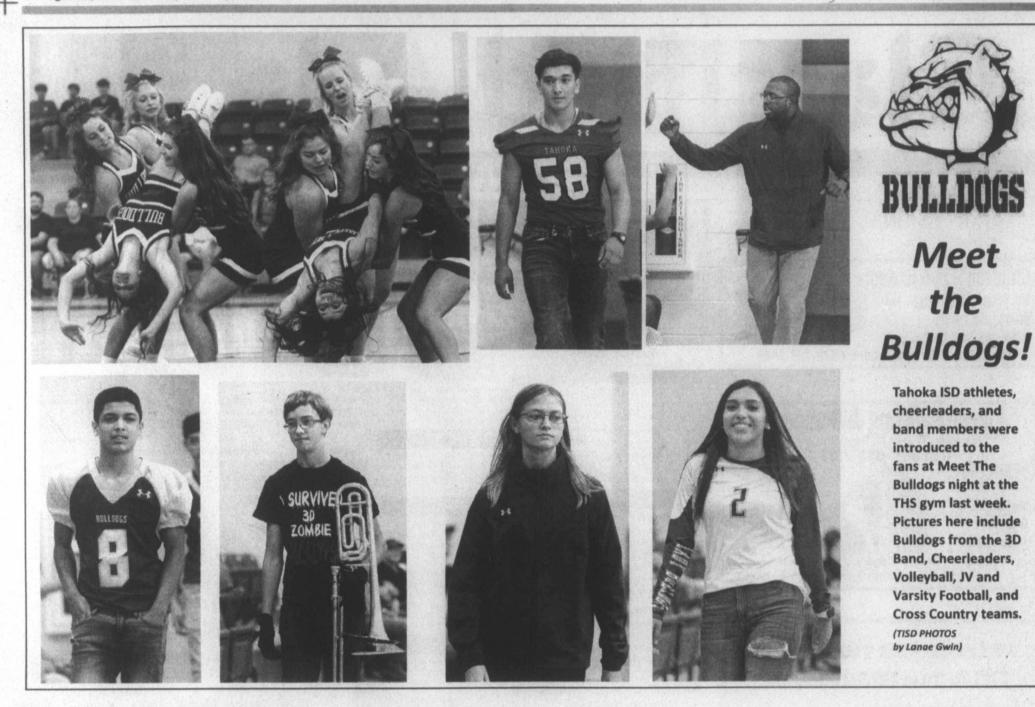
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Methodist Church ...

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the issue of whether to remain in the UMC or to separate," he explained.

Not only is the issue whether to disaffiliate or to remain a part of the UMC, but once a church has voted to disaffiliate they must then vote whether to become an independent church, or choose the Continuing United Methto join the Global Method- odist Church, or to disaffili-

ist Church. An independent church would operate entirely on its own, without the assistance under the umbrella of a ference.

All United Methodist Church congregations are being encouraged to formally vote on whether to stay with

the professing members of a odist Church of Tahoka," said church must vote for disaffiliation for the church to exit and the end of December, thirds threshold is not reached, will have prayerful deliberaformal denominational con- then the church remains in the tions and discussions in order UMC.

The disaffiliation will of- name for the local church," he Lord. ficially take place on the last added. day of December this year.

"December 31st, 2022, nitude for the Tahoka First will officially be the last day Methodist Church, which is that the Tahoka church will be

ate, by Dec. 3. Two-thirds of called the First United Meth- of not only Tahoka but also far beyond the borders of this Rev. Everett. "Between now community.

The members of the the denomination. If the two- our local church, members church continue to look forward in prayerful planning and preparation to be active servants in the work of the to make a decision on a new

> It is a move of great mag-Did you know?

· Barry Manilow's hit, "I Write in its 120th year of ministerthe Songs", wasn't written by him.

• Jupiter's Great Red Spot, which rotates once approximately every six days, is an anti-cyclonic storm 22° south of the planet's equator.

. If the Milky Way were the size of a single tennis ball, the Andromeda Galaxy (M31) would lie 5.6 feet away.

• Mars is called the Red Planet because of its red coloring, which comes from the large amount of iron oxide - known on Earth as rust - on the





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