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1990 OUTSTANDING FARMER - Darrel Lowrey was recently recognized as Yoakum County's Outstanding Conservation Farmer for 1990 by Yoakum Soil and Water Conservation District and Plains Lions Club. Bob White presented the plaque to Lowrey and his wife, Beverly.

## Cole Announces Candidacy For Plains City Councilman

Larry Cole has filed as candidate for the City Council, stating, "Plains has given me a very good place to raise a family. I want to show my appreciation by doing the best job I can, if elected to serve on the City Council."

Cole and his wife, Linda, moved with their family to Plains in December 1984 from Huffman, a suburb of

Houston. He is employed by Shell Western E&P CO2 in Denver City as instrument specialist. He has been associated with Shell since going to work at the Pasadena Refinery nearly 20 years ago.

Cole was born in Yoakum and moved to Atlanta where he graduated from High School. He attended Texarkana College.

Instrumental in reviving Little League baseball in Plains, he has served as president, and secretary/treasurer and has coached five seasons. He also served as president of Little Dribblers. He is currently serving as secretary/treasurer of Shell CO2.

Mrs. Cole is administrative assistant in the Yoakum County Criminal District Attorney's office. She grew up in Eagle Lake and was employed in Houston as office manager for AMI Incorporated.

The Cole's daughter, Stephanie, is a sophomore in Plains High School and is active in Cowboy Band, volleyball, basketball, tennis and FHA. Their son, Lance, a seventh grade student participates in band, basketball, football, track, UIL and tennis, which he just recently won first in district.

## Darrel Lowrey Recognized As 1990 'Outstanding Farmer'

Darrel Lowrey has been named Yoakum County's Outstanding Conservation Farmer of 1990 by Yoakum Soil and Water Conservation District and Plains Lions Club.

A native of Yoakum County, he has been farming since 1970, with both dry land and irrigated operations. The land under irrigation is watered with center pivot systems, served by underground pipeline to supply water to crops in the most efficient manner possible. This allows crop uniformity and at the same time utilizes water with the least amount of waste possible.

Lowrey is a firm believer in crop rotation on all his land. Crop rotations enhance crop yields. High residue crops such as milo greatly reduce soil erosion, essential in maintaining soil fertility.

Because he feels erosion control is so important, Lowrey placed his most erosive land in the Conservation Reserve Program. The grass cover on the CRP land eliminates erosion and allows him to devote his time and resources to crop production on less fragile land.

Lowrey married Beverly Allen of Denver City in 1969. They are parents of two sons, Jeff, a student in South Plains College and Shane, a junior in Plains High School.

## Little Dribblers To Play May 25 In Nationals

Each of Plains' four teams of Little Dribblers won the championship title for their division in competition last week in Whiteface. They will now play in the National Tournament May 2-5 in Evadale.

Junior girls whipped Whiteface two games in a row to take their title. Scores were 27-20 and 28-10. Major girls advanced with wins over Whiteface, 33-15 and 28-12.

Boys competition found the juniors beating Whiteface 40-30 and 55-32. Major boys defeated Three Way 30-23 and Petersburg 30-27. In the championship game, they again faced Petersburg, winning 40-30.



PROCLAIMED NATIONAL MUSIC WEEK in Plains by Mayor T.J. Miller. Looking on is Cynthia Blair, member of Plains Fine Arts Club.



PLAINS ROYAL BOUNDERS TUMBLING TEAM competing in Andrews are, left to right, back row, Lesli Rowe, 5th place; Lyndi Rowe, 4th; Brad Seaton, 1st; Kelly McGinty, 1st; Jennifer Lollar, 6th. Front row, Ragan McGinty, 6th; Jeffrey Lollar, 4th; Kimberly Martinez, 4th. Not pictured, Heather Martin, 2nd; and Christopher Estrada, 2nd.

# Little Dribblers End Season, Announce All-Star Teams

Plains Little Dribbler Association completed their season with All Star selections April 5. Coaches presented medals to each member of his or her team. Also recognized were four year players and last year players.

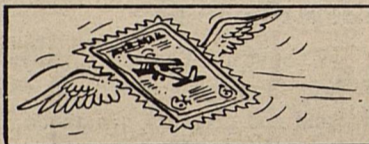
Four year players were Amber Davis, Amanda Koncaba, Rose Garcia and Rachel Garcia. Last year players were Becky Coronado, Sylvia Tarango and Maria Moreno. Boys who were recognized as four year players were Chase Clanahan, Steven Vasquez, Arthur Barrientes, Greg Salas, Luke Smith, Casey Forbus, Chris Payne, Johnny Davis, Jason Robertson and Ralph Ramirez. Last year players were Kirk Parrish and Jeremy Dearing. Last year players were presented trophies.

Girls selected as All Stars were Neomi Stewart, Shyloh Winn, Kassie Lowe, Marcey House, Dolly Gonzales, Lyndsey Six, Lisa Parrish, Monica Lazos, Jolyne Burgess, Maranda Box and LaCresha Johnson. Major League All Stars were Bridget Bernal, Amanda Koncaba, Kylie Bearden, Robin Squyres, Becky Coronado, Shawna Box, Rachel Garcia, Tessa St. Romain, Rose Garcia, Maria Moreno, Stephania Allsup and Sylvia Tarango.

Boys making All Stars were Tanner Blount, Shawn Cullins, Ray Ramirez, Chris Willett, Travis Bennett, Jamie Cabellero, David Flores, Kaleb Clay, Jason Redman, Abraham Garcia, Eric Estrada and Jonah Moreno. Major League All Stars were Ralph Ramirez, Wayne Willett, Johnny Davis, Chris Payne, Chase Clanahan, Casey Forbus, Kirk Parrish, Jacob Lester, Allen Ward, Jason Robertson, Eddie Garcia and Stephen Bitolas.

Coaches for the girls will be Joel Lowe and Tony Winn, juniors and Ricky Bearden and Darla Welch, majors. Boys' coaches are Chris Winn and Danny Bell, juniors, and Bruce Lester and Terry Davis, majors.

All four teams captured Championship Titles in the Regional Tournament last weekend in Whiteface. They will participate in the National Tourney May 2-5 in Evadale.



Air mail stamps were already in use in 1918. There were three denominations—six cent, 16 cent and 24 cent. The pictures, not surprisingly, were all of airplanes.



LITTLE DRIBBLERS MAJOR LEAGUE GIRLS ALL-STARS



LITTLE DRIBBLERS JUNIOR LEAGUE GIRLS ALL-STARS



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TROOP 74 BROWNIE SCOUTS attended the Girl Scout Fair March 31 in Lubbock. Attending were Melissa Martinez, Cassie Dearing, Sonia Hernandez, Sarah Jimenez, Barbie Murph, Jennifer Lollar, Lynelle Murph, Carroll Murph, Faye Murph and Jerri Lollar (not pictured). They co-sponsored with Troop 418 a marble and golf ball painting booth. The troop received a ribbon for its booth and another for participation in the Juliette Lowe World Friendship Parade. Jennifer Lollar received a ribbon and certificate of participation in the ecology contest.

## Brownie News

Brownies of Troop 74 met March 5 to begin learning about Junior Girl Scouts. They looked at pictures of uniforms and badges and completed an activity from the Junior Scout Badges Book.

Attending were Cassie Dearing, Sarah Jimenez, Monica Lazos, Jennifer Lollar, Melissa Martinez, Barbie Murph, Faye Murph, Rachel Taylor and a new member, Sonia Hernandez.

Adult leaders present were Debbie Taylor, Jerri Lollar and Carroll Murph. Refreshments were furnished by Barbie Murph.

Meeting March 26, Junior Girl Scouts from Denver City met with the Troop to share information about Junior Scouting. They taught the girls a variety of new songs.

Denver City girls attending were April Cockrell, Kristin Cummings, Krisha Grandon and Amanda Locklar. Their leaders were Vivian Cockrell and Marla Locklar. Plains Brownies were Cassie Dearing, Norma Delgado, Sonia Hernandez, Sarah Jimenez, Jennifer Lollar, Melissa Martinez, Barbie Murph, Faye Murph and Rachel Taylor.

Refreshments were brought by Sonia Hernandez and Faye Murph.

April 9 the girls planned their Bridging and Awards Ceremony for May 20. Attending were Cassie Dearing, Sonia Hernandez, Sarah Jimenez, Jennifer Lollar, Barbie Murph, Faye Murph, Melissa Martinez and Rachel Taylor, who served refreshments.

### Girls made invitations for their **THE PLAINS PRIDE**

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Bridging and Awards Ceremony during their meeting April 23. They collected litter and cans from along the north side of town and will sell the cans to be recycled.

Attending were Rachel Taylor, Faye Murph, Barbie Murph, Melissa Martinez, Jennifer Lollar, Sonia Hernandez, Norma Delgado and Cassie Dearing. Cassie brought refreshments.

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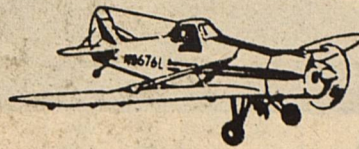
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I am asking for your vote and support on May 5. I graduated from Plains High School and am currently employed by Fina Oil and Chemical. My wife, Debra and I have three daughters in Plains Public Schools. Michelle, a junior; Daphne, a sophomore; and Kassie, a fourth grader. I want for every child, the best educational school system possible.

I will work to the best of my ability to represent every patron, and help make Plains ISD even better for the future. I will work toward a total educational program, not just special interest.

I ask for your support and vote on May 5.

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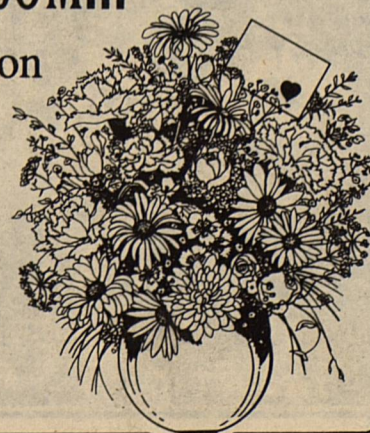
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## From The Superintendent's Desk

Dean Andrews

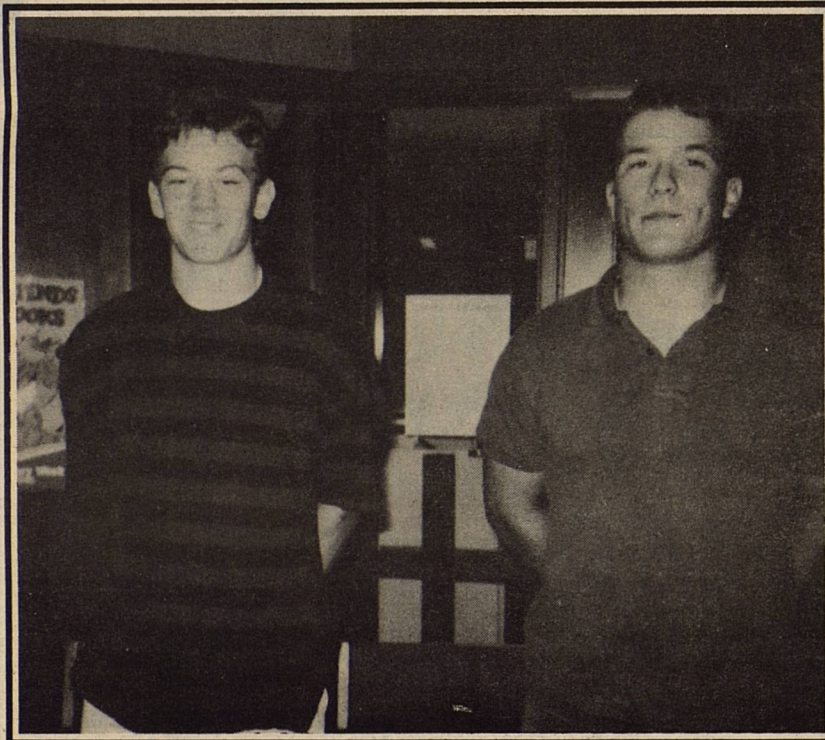


1990-91 CHEERLEADERS ELECTED are left to right, Jennifer Day, Heather Bowlin, Michelle Lowe, Darce Pierce and Ashlee Winn.

This past week has been a very successful one for Plains Independent School District. Jason Smith was recognized for placing first in the Region XVII Substance Abuse Prevention Media Fair, Grades 10-12. Lance Morrow won first at a Regional U.I.L. Contest in Science, Chemistry, Number Sense, and Calculator. Nieves Garcia placed third in Number Sense, and Layne Morrow placed third in Calculator. These three young men and their coaches, Mr. Cullins, Mr. McWhirter, and Mr. Banfield, will travel to Austin to compete in the State U.I.L. Literary Contest on May 5, 1990.

Our boys and girls golf, tennis, and track qualifiers competed in regional contest this past week and our Industrial Technology students also participated in regional competition at Odessa.

The most exciting news of the week came when we received our TEAMS test results for grades 3, 5, 7, and 9. Our students scored very well indeed. They exceeded the state average in each grade in reading, mathematics, and writing. A very good job by our students, teachers, aides, secretaries, and principals. The entire staff has given many timeless hours as they prepared students for this test.



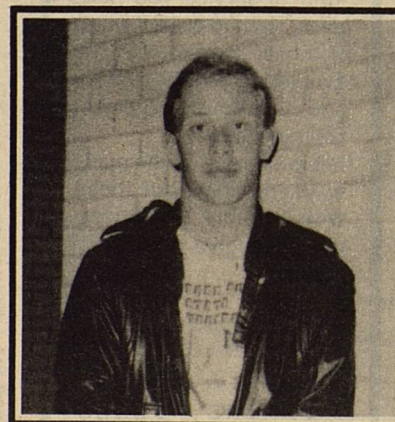
STUDENT COUNCIL OFFICERS for 1990-91 are Dan Rushing, president; and Dusty Rafferty, vice president.



QUALIFY FOR STATE - PHS will be represented in State UIL Contests by Nieves Garcia, third in number sense, fourth in calculator applications; Lance Morrow, first in science, number sense and calculator applications; and Layne Morrow, third in calculator applications and fourth in number sense. The trio also qualified for state as Regional Team Champions in number sense and calculator applications.



MAJOR LEAGUE GIRLS after winning Regional at Whiteface Tournament.



FIRST PLACE WIN - Jason Smith took top honors in the Regional Substance Abuse Prevention Media Fair, sponsored by Education Region Center in Lubbock, for the computer program he wrote on prevention of substance abuse.



WINS TRIP TO D.C. - Jo Lena Powell won first place in the Lea County Electric Essay and Interview Contest. The expense paid trip will be taken June 7-19.

## Tsa Mo Ga Club Meets For Program On Brands

Becky and Tessa St. Romain presented a program on the history of brands for members and guests of Tsa Mo Ga Club Monday evening. The girls will present this demonstration as a 4-H project in district competition. Their coach is Linda Powell.

Jo Amandes of West Texas Library System spoke to the group on the literacy program. Linda Powell presented a program also. Mrs. Powell has given more than 40 hours of volunteer work since October 1989 in teaching reading, writing and learning skills to



Arthur and Melissa Galvan of Denver City announce the arrival of a daughter born at 2:29 p.m. April 23 in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital. Weighing eight pounds seven ounces and measuring 21 inches long, the little miss has been named Chelsea Rose Dena. She has a brother, Jarod Arthur, two and a half. Grandparents are Valentin Galvan of Denver City and Billy and Marietta Guetersloh. Martha Guetersloh and Opal Dreadin of Littlefield are her great-grandmothers.

Travis and Kay Mires announce the arrival of Macy Kandon, born at 2:12 p.m. April 18 in Methodist Hospital in Lubbock. Weighing seven pounds, three ounces and measuring 20 and a half inches long, the little one has two brothers, Landon, six and Toby, four. Grandparents are Bo and Sheila Stephens and Harold and Frances Mires of O'Donnell. Great-grandparents are James and Minnie Reeves of O'Donnell, Louise Smith of Tahoka and Syble Mires of Lubbock.

four students eager to learn.

The students have progressed rapidly and have received their Skill Book III certificates, Mrs. Powell reported.

Bonnie Earnest is also a volunteer teacher with Plains Literacy Organization and willingly gives her time in helping any student wanting to learn to read and write.

Other teachers are working with students preparing for GED tests. Club members expressed their appreciation to all the dedicated volunteer teachers who are helping with this program.

Tuna salad, crackers, fresh vegetables and olives were served by Toni Jones and Elouise St. Romain.

Others attending were Barbara Brown, Janie Crawford, Dolores Davis, Carolyn Culwell, Mattie Field, Louise Goehry, Helen Hunter, Sit Jones, Kathy Jones, Hazel Lowrey, Latrell McDonnell, Connie McWhirter, Sarah Jane Shelton and Peggy Squyres.

## Royal Bounders Qualify For State

Nine members of Plains Royal Bounders Tumbling Team qualified for competition in the State Championships May 12 in Snyder. Earning that right were Christopher Estrada, Jeffrey Lollar, Jennifer Lollar, Kelly McGinty, Heather Martin, Kimberly Martinez, Lesli Rowe, Lyndi Rowe and Brad Seaton.

The team competed in the District Qualifier Meet April 7 in Andrews.



MAJOR LEAGUE - first row, ltr, Sylvia Tarango, Tessa St. Romain, Lyndi Rowe; second row, Rose Garcia, Kristy McClure, Rachel Garcia, Tami Maynard; third row, Kay McClure and Debbie Smith.



MAJOR LEAGUE - first row, ltr, Bridget Bernal, Kyle Bearden, Kristi Guetersloh; second row, Maria Moreno, Amanda Koncaba, Amber Davis; third row, Coaches Rickey Bearden and Darla Welch.



MAJOR LEAGUE - first row, ltr, Shawna Box, Denise Ward; second row, Dacia Humphrey, Stephania Allsup, Robin Squyres, Becky Coronado; third row, Coach Judy Fitzgerald.

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JUNIOR LEAGUE - first row, ltr, Stephanie Vasquez, Laura Flores; second row, Natasha Guerra, Cecelia Moreno, Tandi Jones, Kassie Lowe; third row, Coach Joey Lowe.



JUNIOR LEAGUE - first row, ltr, Neomi Stewart, Jennifer Garcia, Melissa Asebedo; second row, Marcey House, Lisa Parrish, Patsy Salas, Norma Delgado; third row, Coach Craig Stewart.



JUNIOR LEAGUE - first row, ltr, Dolly Gonzales, Melissa Martinez; second row, LaCresha Johnson, Miranda Box, Davela Maynard, Stacy Tuggle; third row, Coach Suzan Henry.

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JUNIOR LEAGUE - first row, ltr, Tony Lazos, Raymond Bernal; second row, Jamie Caballero, Kelton Mason, Steven Bunch, Tanner Blount; third row, Coaches Danny Bell and Chris Winn.



JUNIOR LEAGUE - first row, ltr, Bryan Covarrubias, Vicente Delgado; second row, Joey Ward, Mike Bell, David Flores, Adrian Rios; third row, Coach Alan Bell. Not pictured, Coach Richard Ward.



JUNIOR LEAGUE - first row, ltr, Margarito Longoria, Wilman St. Romain; second row, Jason Jacobs, Roy Ramirez, Eric Estrada, Alex Tarango; third row, Coaches Manuel and Corina Estrada.



JUNIOR LEAGUE - first row, ltr, Chris Willett, Matt Morgan; second row, Heath Bowlin, Jonah Moreno, Travis Bennett, Clint Burrus; third row, Coaches Wayne Davis and Roger Bennett.



JUNIOR LEAGUE - first row, ltr, Paul Lopez, Benito Longoria; second row, Adam Dominguez, Kaleb Clay, Chris Gonzales, Abraham Garcia; third row, Coaches Sam Dominguez and Richard Garcia.

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MAJOR LEAGUE - first row, ltr, Jeremy Dearing, Kirk Parrish; second row, Allen Ward, Jason Robertson, Jacob Lester, Albert Cruz; third row, Coach Bruce Lester.



MAJOR LEAGUE - first row, ltr, Wayne Willett, Ruben Garcia, Coley Burgess; second row, Johnny Don Davis, Greg Salas, Ralph Ramirez, Alberto Tarango; third row, Coaches Terry Davis and Terry Wade Davis.



MAJOR LEAGUE - first row, ltr, Steve Vasquez, Steve Bitolas, Chris Payne; second row, Arthur Hernandez, Marte Pierce, Kipp Blount; third row, Coaches Mike Payne and Alex Bitolas.

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# 'Long Range Planning'

—by Norma Ritz, TTU Journalism Student

Community leaders from Yoakum County met recently to identify local issues and help determine possible solutions as the Texas Agricultural Extension Service began planning long range programs to meet these local concerns.

Citizens were invited by county officials and the Extension Program Council to meet and discuss these critical issues. The group met on Tuesday, March 27 in the Denver City Community Building, said Kirk Lewis, Yoakum County Extension Agent for Agriculture.

Four task forces were formed from the study group: agriculture and natural resources, home economics, youth and community development. Matters of wide public concern were identified in each area, said Lewis.

"Identifying these key issues, and incorporating them into a statewide plan will enable Extension Service faculty to better meet the public's needs," said Mary Dale Williams, Yoakum County Extension Agent for Home Economics.

Agriculture and natural resources task force members Gary Six, Ty Earl Powell and Tim Addison agreed that improving public perception of agriculture is a critical issue facing the county. The group suggested holding an Agriculture and Oil Industry Appreciation Day. The day's events might include a meal at Yoakum County Park and tours of both industries. Information would be provided about how federal farm programs are managed and other aspects of the federal agricultural budget.

The group also suggested educating the public about the functions and responsibilities of the Farmer's Home Loan Administration, food and fiber quality and chemical usage and safety. The task force wished to increase producer education through more producer meetings and increased political activity of local producer groups.

Addressing environmental issues such as labeling, safety and utilization of the Sandy Land Underground Water Conservation District to test wells and secure abandoned wells are other areas the group identified. The task force agreed that increased attention should be given to wildlife management in Yoakum County, specifically, predator control and hunting.

Studying new farming techniques, enhancing marketing skills and considering the feasibility of labor-intensified farming programs are areas the group thought would be critical in improving production efficiency in Yoakum County.

Home Economics task force members Beverly Sprouse and Sheila Stephens identified education as a critical issue. Parenting, drug and sex education were all areas of home economics programs the group discussed. Improved financial management skills for both youth and adults, as well as finding adequate, affordable housing

for county citizens were other issues the group pointed out.

The task force discussed a public elder day care program, where senior citizens offer time and expertise in childcare for the public. Sprouse and Stephens agreed that nutritional education for families is an area where programming should be concentrated.

The group also discussed the creation of a crisis hotline. Sprouse and Stephens concluded that the key to solving most of the issues identified is improving communications between parents and children.

Members of the youth task force included Vickee Faight, Judy Bethany, Glenna McMullin and Linda Risley. The group indentified the single most important issue as giving youth a vision for success. The group's findings said, "Youth should have a vision of themselves and their families as successful."

The task force decided that programs should involve all relevant county groups in planning activities and making decisions which affect youth. These county groups should represent persons from all backgrounds and income levels. Parenting skills, the group decided, could be enhanced through improved communications, better financial planning, better emotional support and increased self-esteem for parents and youth.

The group agreed that, through county cooperation, drug, alcohol and tobacco use among youth could be prevented to improve young people's lives.

The effects of the environment on youth were also discussed. Such environmental effects include the state of the world, nation, state and county, as well as influences from the community and youths' personal lives.

The youth task force concluded that healthy bodies and minds could be gained by realizing the benefits of nutrition and exercise and by forming support groups for the mental health of both youth and parents.

L.J. Sanders, Ron Hatfield and Linda Kay, all members of the community development task force agreed that merging the people of Yoakum County, improving economic opportunities and more education are the keys to boosting the Yoakum County economy.

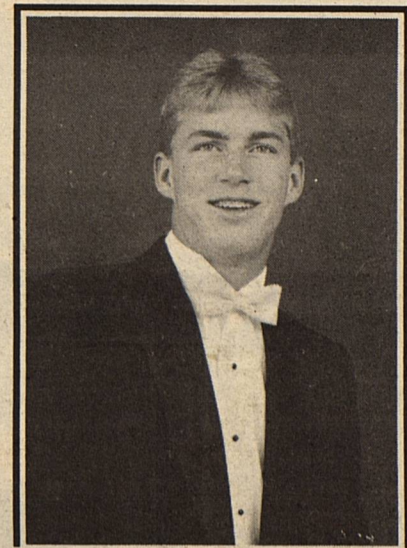
The group discussed getting more people involved in county activities through joint committees and projects. Increasing minority involvement and getting more intergovernmental cooperation were two more ways the task force felt that the county could be united.

Creating more interest for new businesses by assisting with funding and involving the Chamber of Commerce, schools and city and county government are ways the group thought economic opportunities could be increased. The group also discussed the organization of an economic de-

velopment board and enhancement of current businesses.

Economic conditions might be improved through better education in such areas as conservation, drug and alcohol awareness, environment and parenting skills, the group concluded.

Williams and Lewis said similar study groups will meet in each county during March and April. More than 12,000 Texans took part in long range planning meetings in 1986. Almost 5,000 issues were identified, and county issues which were grouped into 12 broad statewide issues have directed Extension Service planning through 1990.



OUTSTANDING SOPHOMORE - Shane McMinn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry McMinn, was recognized at the annual banquet, April 19, of the Department of Electrical Engineering of Texas Tech University.

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PHS ONE-ACT PLAY "The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie" won district and competed in Area Contests in O'Donnell and was named Area Alternate.

## PHS Play Receives Awards, Finishes As Area Alternate

Plains High School's one-act play, "The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie" won district and the right to compete in Area Contests in O'Donnell. The play completed a successful season by earning the position of area alternates.

Cast members and crew and their director, Joyce Pierce, extend their thanks to the community for support of the annual dinner theatre production and to all who donated props necessary to put the play in production.

Sally Burrus was named Best Ac-

triss in zone competition and honorable mention, district. She was named to the Area All Star Cast. Selected for All Star District Cast also were Kemi Cobb, Jo Lena Powell and Michelle Lowe. Miss Cobb was also named to the zone, district and area All Star Casts.

Miss Powell also received zone All Star Cast. Dan Rushing earned honorable mention district and area; Steve Crutcher, honorable mention zone.

## Honor Roll Announced For Plains High School

Honor roll for the fifth six weeks period for Plains High School is announced by J.B. Wilson, high school principal.

Freshman A: Betsy Blair, April Horn, Brandy Lester, Darce Pierce and Keri Powell.

Freshman A-1 B: Eric Cowart and Andrea Salas.

### Park's Son-In-Law Recognized By JCP

Harold G. Armstrong, son-in-law of Mary Lou and Neil Parks, is manager of the JCPenney department store in the Pierre Bossier Mall in Bossier City, La. He has been chosen the recipient of the company's Chairman's Award for outstanding business achievement.

Wm. R. Howell, JCPenney chairman, praised the Pierre Bossier Mall store for highly productive management last year. "Mr. Armstrong, his management team and all our associates there did an outstanding job of serving our customers and the results showed. They contributed meaningfully to our company's excellent results in 1989," he said.

The Pierre Bossier Mall store finished the year ranked in the top third of JCPenney's 1,330 stores nationwide. Armstrong and other winners were to be recognized at a series of award dinners throughout the U.S. in April.

Sophomore A: Lacy McAdams, Jo Lena Powell and Wade Redman.

Sophomore A-1 B: Joe Martinez and Jason Smith.

Junior A: None listed.

Junior A-1 B: Tisha Crain, Vee Ann Fitzgerald, Layne Morrow and Matt Record.

Senior A: Sally Burrus, Daniel Canada, Anthony Day and Chris Gayle.

Senior A-1 B: Nieves Garcia, Veronica Gonzales and Lance Morrow.

### Craft Elected To State Office

Ron Craft was elected vice president of the Texas Independent Ginners Association at the organization's 28th annual convention recently in Corpus Christi. Myrl Mitchell of Lenorah was elected president. Elected to the executive committee were Keith Pendergrass of Wellman, Fred Jones of Lubbock and Bill Mikeska of Eola.

Approximately 300 persons attended the three-day convention. In addition to discussing common industry problems, those attending heard talks by Larry Warren, president of National Cotton Ginners Association; Clayton Williams, candidate for governor; Rep. Rick Perry, candidate for agriculture commissioner; Beau Boulter, railroad commissioner candidate; and Sen. Buster Brown and Rep. Dan Morales, candidates for attorney in a "Government in Action" workshop.

## Junior High UIL Literary Competition Held April 16-18

Plains Junior High students competed April 16-18 in District 6A UIL Literary Contests. Plains students scored well in the events.

FIFTH GRADE - Yancey House, 5th listening; Shawn Massey, 2nd expressive writing; Kristy McClure, 2nd number sense, 6th oral reading; Mary Morales, 1st dictionary skills, 3rd spelling; Lyndi Rowe, 1st number sense, 5th expressive writing.

SIXTH GRADE - Valerie Blair, 1st number sense, 2nd expressive writing; Chase Clanahan, 1st dictionary skills, 4th spelling; Jeremy Dearing, 2nd calculator; Heather McDonnell, 3rd oral reading, 3rd expressive writing, 4th number sense; Kirk Parrish, 1st listening, 3rd calculator; Luke Smith, 3rd listening; and Steve Vasquez, 3rd dictionary skills.

SEVENTH GRADE - Dusty Beckham, 1st dictionary skills; Victor Bernal, 5th calculator; Dani Clark, 3rd dictionary skills, 4th expository writ-

ing, 5th oral reading, 6th impromptu; Lance Cole, 4th number sense; Jennifer Earnest, 1st expository writing, 2nd impromptu, 3rd oral reading; Stacey Jones, 6th oral reading; Ken McAdams, 1st science, 1st impromptu; Brad McMinn, 2nd number sense, 4th calculator; Janie Ruiz, 4th spelling;

and Ladd Winn, 6th number sense, 6th calculator.

EIGHTH GRADE - Tracy Bear-den, 3rd number sense, 4th calculator; Heather Bowlin, 2nd impromptu; Jennifer Cowart, 3rd impromptu; Rhonda Cowart, 5th dictionary skills; Amy Crutcher, 2nd dictionary skills; Mandi Davis, 4th oral reading; Jennifer Day, 4th spelling, 6th expository writing; Emma Gonzales, 3rd spelling; Tammy Lowrey, 2nd calculator; Kim McClure, 1st impromptu, 2nd oral reading; Lenny Morrow, 6th number sense; Jay Rushing, 6th number sense; and Brian Wilson, 4th science, 5th calculator.

### Elementary UIL Results

Elementary students participated April 16-18 in the 1990 Northwest Zone District 6A UIL Literary Meet. A number of Plains students took honors in the event.

Results include:

Story Telling, Grade 2 - 1st, Linzie Rust; 4th, Velvet Canada; 5th, Christina Eppler.

Story Telling, Grade 3 - 1st, Kaleb Clay; 3rd, Juanita Rodriguez; 6th, Natasha Guerra; alternate, Clint Burrus.

Spelling, Grade 3 - 1st, Rachel Taylor; 2nd, Maranda Box; 3rd, Clint

Burrus; alternate, Marcey House.

Spelling, Grade 4 - 1st, Vicki Bayer; 1st, Shawna Box; 4th, Yvonne Gonzales; alternate, Heath Bowlin.

Personal Writing, Grade 3 - 1st, Clint Burrus; 4th, Lisa Parrish; 5th, Tandy Jones; alternate, Matt Morgan.

Personal Writing, Grade 4 - 1st, Shawna Box, Vicki Bayer, Yvonne Gonzales; alternate, Conchetta San Filippo.

Oral Reading, K-3 - 1st, Shawna Box, Kassie Lowe, Jessica Saucedo, Shyloh Winn; alternates, Chris Gonzales and Wilman St. Romain.



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Thanks again,  
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Mack Reeder  
Kerry Rust

**CARD OF THANKS**

We thank each and everyone who sent flowers, cards and memorial tributes in honor of our father, A.E. "Dick" McGinty. Your friendship, prayers, thoughts and kindness were greatly appreciated by us. Your presence in his life and his passing will always be remembered and treasured.

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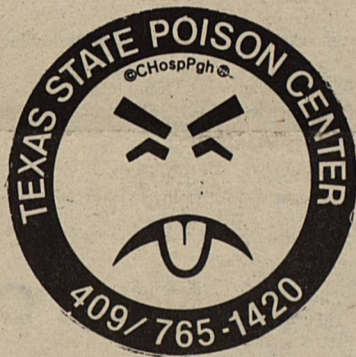
Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Yoakum County will receive bids until 10:00 a.m. on the 7th day of May, 1990 for the sale of a used pull-type pneumatic roller.

The roller may be seen at the Precinct -4 yard, 1200 Morton Road, Plains, Texas (or contact Precinct -4 Commissioner Johnnie Fitzgerald, telephone -806-456-6525).

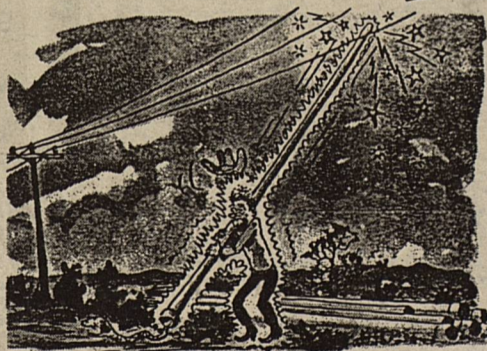
Sealed bids should be marked on the outside of the envelope and mailed or delivered to the County Judge's Office, P.O. Box 456, Plains, Texas 79355.

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**NOTICE OF CITY ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION CIUDAD)**

To the Registered Voters of PLAINS, Texas: (A los votantes registrados del PLAINS Texas)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on MAY 5, 19 90, for voting in a CITY election, to ELECT 2 ALDERMAN AND MAYOR. (Notifíquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales situadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 5 de MAYO de 19 90 para votar en la Elección para ELEGAR 2 MEMBROS DEL CONCILIO y MAYOR)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES CITY HALL 601 11th STREET (DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

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CITY HALL (location) (sitio)

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and ending on MAY 1, 1990 (date)

(y terminando el 1 DE MAYO (fecha))

Additional absentee voting will be held at the same location as follows: (La votación en ausencia además se llevará a cabo en el mismo sitio de tal manera)

Date (Fecha)	Hours (Hora)
NONE	NONE

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

APRIL 27, 1990 / 27th DE ABRIL (date) (fecha)

Issued this the 21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 19 90

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*[Signature]*  
Signature of Presiding Officer (Firma del Oficial que Preside)

\*If absentee voting is not going to be conducted on either Saturday or the last Sunday during the period of absentee voting, delete this part.

## Quality Water, Major Concern For Water District Office

by Norma Ritz  
TTU Journalism  
Dept. Student

How many Aggies does it take to register a water well in Yoakum County? One, as long as it is Gary Walker, manager of the Sandy Land Underground Water Conservation District.

Walker, a graduate of Texas A&M University, supervises activities at the water district office in operation since Feb. 1.

The water district was originally proposed in the last session of the Texas Legislature. The proposal went to Yoakum County voters last November and was confirmed by a 3-to-1 ratio, Walker said.

Five at-large board members for the water district were also elected. The board consists of David Turnbow, president; L.J. Sanders, vice president; Ray Bearden, secretary; Brad Palmer and Don Parrish. Board members will meet once a month to discuss water district business, Walker said.

Located in what was the Plains telephone building, the water district's areas of concern are testing water quality, permitting water wells and checking the efficiency of irrigation methods. Walker is assisted in the office by Kathy Jones, secretary.

Walker's major concern is water quality rather than quantity.

"The decline of the (Ogallala) aquifer has not been to the extent that it is alarming in this area," Walker said.

Walker said chlorides, which are by-products of oil production, are the major culprits influencing water quality in Yoakum County.

The office plans to test water samples from domestic wells, although

much quality testing hasn't been performed yet. Testing will be increased as more laboratory equipment is added to the office, Walker said.

The water district has jurisdiction over the registration of all water wells in Yoakum County, Walker said. Through specifications in the Texas Water Code, the district regulates the production of water through the spacing of wells by issuing permits.

Sandy Land Underground Water Conservation District may cooperate with other agencies such as the Texas Agricultural Extension Service to concentrate most of their irrigation work on result demonstrations. Walker said these demonstrations may concern the use of low energy precision application (LEPA) irrigation.

LEPA cuts down on expense and conserves water, said Walker. It has a low application point and puts the water on the plant instead of in the air where it could be evaporated by wind or high temperatures.

Walker said center pivot irrigation is the chief method used for watering crops in Yoakum County.

"About 900 total irrigation systems exist in the county, with 70 to 80 percent of these being center pivots," Walker said.

"Many programs are still in the planning stage," said Walker. A budget, to be created in the summer, will be presented in the fall. The budget will allow for such things as cooperating in result demonstrations, purchasing laboratory equipment, flow meters, office equipment and other equipment necessary to begin full operation.

Walker plans to edit a regular newsletter to inform producers and consumers in Yoakum County of news and developments about water conservation. Walker said developments in the field of water conservation are con-

stantly changing in the last legislative session, 13 water districts like Sandy Land were created.

Walker received his degree in animal science at Texas A&M University. He also completed some graduate work in feedyard management at West Texas State University. In 1986, Walker moved on to manage the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District covering portions of Potter, Robertson and Armstrong Counties.

Walker and his wife, Frankie, have two children. Lorri is a sophomore at Texas A&M, and Dare is a junior at White Deer High School.

It wasn't until 1863 that Americans started to take drugs in commercially made pills. Jacob Dunton, a Philadelphia wholesale druggist, originated the machine. His entire production from 1869 until 1876 was less than that now made daily in U.S. laboratories.



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