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7TH GRADE GIRLS BASKETBALL 1992-93 - clockwise from the bottom, Wendy Beckham, Neomi Stewart, Shyloh Winn, Lindsey Six, Kassie Lowe, Coach Charles Cain, Monica Lazos, Dolly Gonzales, Shawna Box, Sandy Warren and Cecelia Moreno.



8TH GRADE GIRLS BASKETBALL 1992-93 - left to right, front row, Sonia Avila, Bridget Bernal, Tessa St. Romain, Kristy McClure, Kristi Guetersloh and Lyndi Rowe. Back row, Coach Joyce Pierce, Mary Morales, Samantha Blake, Robin Squyres, Kyley Bearden and Yolanda Ward.

Rhonda Cowart puts in 'two' as buzzer sounds

Rhonda Cowart hit an 18 foot shot at the buzzer Friday night, giving the Cowgirls an exciting 40-38 win over last year's district champions, the Lady Bulldogs.

Plains jumped out to a quick 16-8 first quarter lead but saw the gap narrow to 22-20 by halftime. Anton narrowed the gap to one point, 30-29, entering the last stanza and took the lead with two minutes remaining. Attempting to run out the clock, twice the Cowgirls forced turnovers and made the visitors pay with a field goal and a free throw.

Plains regained possession of the ball with less than a minute to go and ran the clock down to nine seconds. There, Monica Flores found Rhonda open at the top of the key, and she hit nothing but net as the buzzer sounded.

Heather Bowlin and Amy Crutcher led in scoring with 12 points each. Heather hit two three point shots. Rhonda, Ogla and Misty each hit four points, and Monica and Stacey each hit two. Ogla led in field goal percentage with 50% and Heather and Stacey tied in free throw percentage with 67% each. Ogla led in rebounds with six followed by Heather with five. Rhonda led in assists with four followed by Monica with three. Heather led in steals with four.

The Junior Varsity dropped a 31-16 decision to Anton. Jennifer Earnest led the JV girls in scoring with six points followed by Rachel Garcia with four. Sylvia Tarango, Lisa Ward and Heather McDonnell each had two.

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Crop residue management explained by Soil Conservationist

What is Crop Residue Management? As most of us already know, it is the use of plant residues to protect cultivated fields. Fields that are bare during the critical erosion months of November through May.

Residue management is a critical element of your conservation plan. Since the Food Security Act of 1985 came into effect, residue management has been the most cost effective method of reducing wind and water erosion. It can boost soil productivity and reduce the erosive action of our West Texas winds. It also can increase soil moisture and water infiltration says Mark Lewis of the Soil Conservation Service in Plains.

Most FSA Plans, call for leaving specific amounts of high residue crops

on the soil surface. There are some tillage practices that can be done without destroying all the required cover. Tillage with implements such as the Paraplows, V-rippers/subsoilers, chisels, and light disking can be performed without destroying all of the residue.

These practices can reduce residues on the soil surface by as much as 50 to 80%. Depending on the amount of residue left after harvesting, and the residue requirements in your plan, some plowing can be done. Be sure to contact the local SCS office for your plan requirements if you have any questions.

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State Bill 52 now in effect

The enactment of State Bill 52 has produced promising results for county voting registration workers.

The bill went in New Year's Day and is aimed at collecting county residents who skip jury duty calls by not registering to vote.

By allowing counties to use voter registration documents and Department of Public Safety issued driver's licenses in collecting names of possible jurors, the recent state law gathers up names that might otherwise fall through the cracks.

"It's probably given this county 100 to 150 more people to choose from for jury duty," Sheila Ashburn, deputy voter registrar, said. "Now if they have a valid driver's license and they're over 18, their name goes into the pool. When you apply for a driver's license, you're automatically put on the jury wheel."

Depending upon the court's case load, an estimated 110 registered vot-

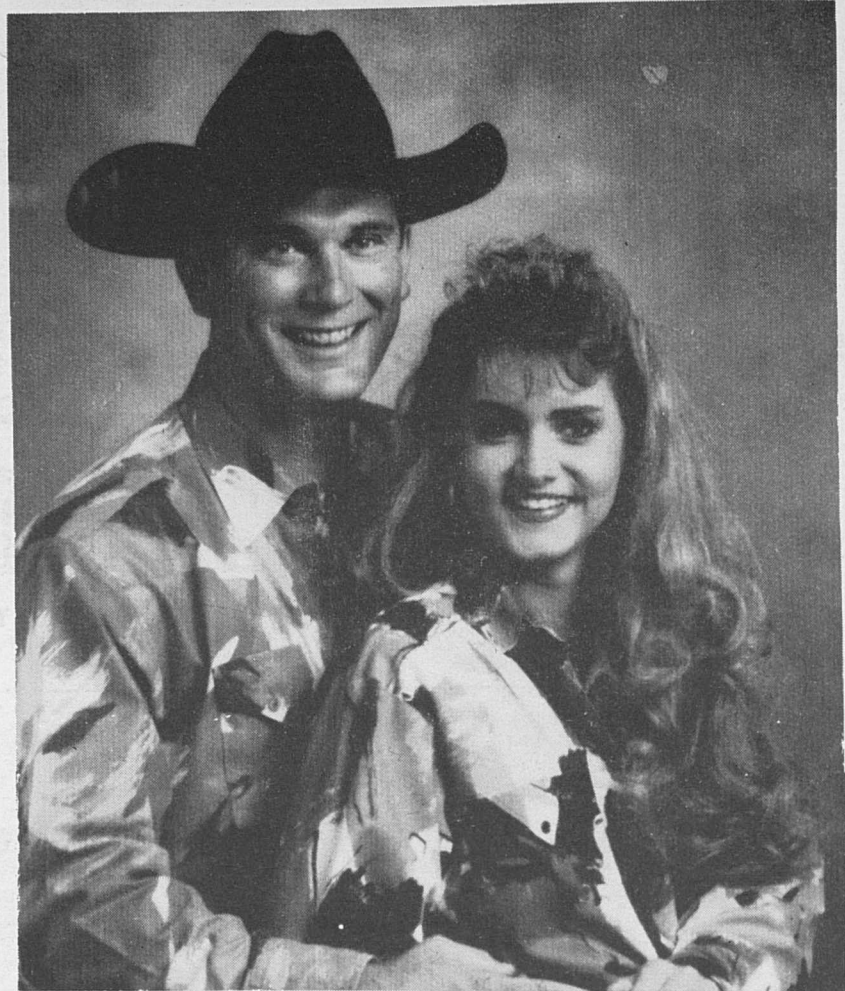
ers are selected each month as jury candidates in criminal and civil cases. Only a dozen are chosen to serve on juries and are paid \$14 a day. The law has not increased the number of selected jury candidates drawn each month.

Residents not complying to jury summons could face fines of no less than \$100 or more than \$1,000.

Besides adding additional people to the selection process, the state law helps in eliminating the possibility of residents being called for jury duty more than once in each year.

"Our county is so small that it's going to make a lot of difference," Ashburn said.

Eliminated from the voting pool are the names of residents serving felony probation terms, drivers ages 18 and under, and people who applied for exception due to handicap or their age of 65 or older.



STACEY MICHELLE GIBBS & JAMES DAVID SIMMONS

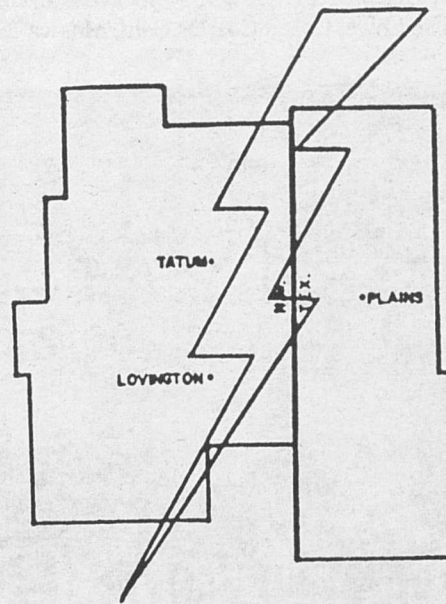
Wedding plans revealed

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Gibbs of Quinlan, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Stacey Michelle, to James David Simmons, son of Pete and Linda Simmons of Plains.

The wedding will take place at Wesley United Methodist Church in Greenville on March 13.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Quinlan High School and is currently enrolled in the nursing program of Brookhaven College in Dallas.

The prospective groom is a graduate of Howe High School and East Texas State University. He is presently working on his MBA at the University of Dallas and is employed with Varo, Inc. as a Human Resource Specialist.



FUTURE ENERGY SOURCES

The future for alternate energy sources looks promising. The search goes on for ways to develop energy sources that are clean, renewable, inexpensive and dependable. In the meantime, we'll continue to explore likely sites for new supplies of petroleum and natural gas.

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Lions Club members 'toast' Mrs. Alma Lynn McGinty

Plains Lions Club hosted a birthday celebration at their regular meeting Jan. 21 honoring Alma Lynn McGinty's eightieth birthday.

The "roast" turned into a "toast" to the woman who has served the club for many years and is a special friend to the Lions and other residents of Plains.

Sit Jones was Mistress of Ceremonies. Friends sharing in the toast were Wilma Powell, Sarah Jane Shelton, Johnnie Fitzgerald, Jim Barron and Pete St. Romain.

Mrs. McGinty came to Yoakum County in 1921 with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.V. Been, and a brother. She married Rusty McGinty in 1938. They ranched until his death in 1964. They are parents of two daughters, D'Lois and D'Lynn.

Attending were 11 members of the club and 17 other friends.

Plains 42 Club holds gathering

Four persons were recognized for their birthdays at the regular meeting recently of Plains 42 Club. Presented with a birthday cake decorated in four squares and lighted with four candles were Bill and Burve Overton, Marie Paden and Ola Layton.

Following a potluck supper, games of "42" were enjoyed also by William and Helen Worsham, Carrol Paden, Johnnie Layton, Carl and Marie Lowrey, Sherm Tingle, Allene Carnahan, Ita Young and Jim and Mae Barnett.

Next meeting will be Feb. 6.



KRISTI JANELLE COBB & LARRY MATTHEW SWINNEA

Engagement is announced

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cobb announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Kristi Janelle, to Larry Matthew Swinnea, son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Swinnea of McCamey.

The couple will exchange wedding vows June 12 in First Baptist Church.

Miss Cobb recently received a masters degree from Texas Tech University. She is currently completing student teaching.

The prospective groom is a graduate of San Angelo State University. He is employed with Littlefield Independent School District.



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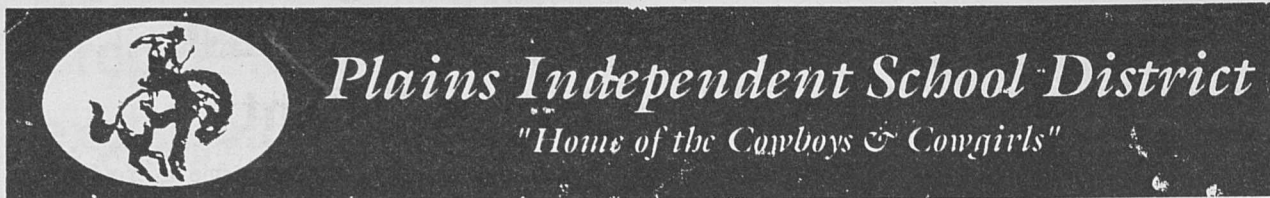
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Fourth grade students receive gift-books

Students in the fourth grade at Plains Elementary School have received the gift-book, "Feeling Good About Me". It is a handsomely bound book of stories about learning traditional values and self-esteem.

"Feeling Good About Me" contains eight stories about realistic problems young people might encounter and how they might be resolved.

Each story has a full-color illustration and teaches such lessons as

right and wrong, appreciation of family, what it means to be a good citizen, living up to one's potential, and why (as well as how) to stay away from drugs.

Stories involve the meaning of friendship, family relationships, respect for others, loyalty, and the importance of being your own unique self. They reflect positive influences that build a child's self-esteem.

The book has a teacher's guide, which covers discussion starters, lesson objectives, and follow-up

applications. The purpose of the lessons is to teach young people good values and encourage discussion of those values between children, their parents, and other family members in a home setting.

These beautiful books are made to last and are likely to become keepsake editions for the students. Local sponsors providing this important gift are Farm Bureau Insurance, Farmers Group Insurance, Pay-n-Save and Bayer Lumber.



NEW MEMBERS INDUCTED INTO NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY



PLAINS HIGH SCHOOL NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

SCHOOL EVENTS

FEB. 8-13, 1993

SIX WEEKS TESTS

MONDAY - Basketball - Whiteface - 7th/8th Boys - 7th/8th Girls - There - 5:00 p.m.

TUESDAY - District Basketball - Anton - A/B Girls and A/B Boys - There - 5:00 p.m.

THURSDAY - Yoakum County Sheriff's Department Training Session - Cafeteria - 6:00 p.m.

FRIDAY - NO SCHOOL - Yoakum County Stock Show; District Basketball - Whiteface - A/B Boys and Girls - Here - 5:00 p.m.

SATURDAY - Yoakum County Stock Show - Buyer's Lunch - Cafeteria; Math/Science Meet at Lubbock Monterey

SCHOOL MENU

BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Toast, oatmeal, grape juice and milk.

TUESDAY - Cinnamon rolls, toast, apple juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Toast, cheese toast, orange juice and milk.

THURSDAY - Pancakes, syrup, butter, fruit punch and milk.

FRIDAY - NO SCHOOL.

LUNCH

MONDAY - Spaghetti w/meat sauce, black-eyed peas, tossed salad, hot rolls, spiced applesauce and milk.

TUESDAY - Mexican casserole, pinto beans, coleslaw, cornbread, peach cobbler and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Pizza, corn, lettuce, tomatoes, crackers, pears and milk.

THURSDAY - Hot dogs w/chili, potato chips, combination salad, peaches and milk.

FRIDAY - NO SCHOOL.

New NHS members inducted recently

Plains High School's National Honor Society inducted 20 new members in ceremonies held recently. New officers for the 1992-93 school year were installed.

New officers are Darce Pierce, president; Brian Wilson, vice president; Jason San Filippo, secretary and Keri Powell, reporter.

Members inducted were Dan Partin, Brad Ashburn, Michael Salas, seniors; Amy Crutcher, Jennifer Day, Gabriel Flores, Orlando Ortiz, Shandy Willett, Ace Williams, juniors; Amber Bryan, Victor Bernal, Lance Cole, Bellen Coronado, Jennifer Earnest, Ken McAdams, Janie Ruiz, Shannon Ward, Ladd Winn, Dusty Beckham and Brad McMinn, sophomores.

Students are chosen for membership in National Honor Society on the basis of scholarship, character, service and leadership.

Kitchen Korner



CYNTHIA (MRS. ROYCE) BLAIR

Music is a way of life for the young homemaker, mother and career woman spotlighted by Kitchen Korner. Cynthia (Mrs. Royce) Blair is Plains Elementary music teacher and serves as teacher for the gifted/talented students.

Because of her love of music, Cynthia also serves as organist at First Baptist Church and is often called on to play the piano or organ for events in the community.

A graduate of Corsicana High School and University of North Texas, Cynthia is the mother of three busy young women. Betsy is 17; Valerie, 15 and Emily, nine.

When there's time for enjoying her favorite pastimes, Cynthia can be found sewing, reading or playing the piano. She also likes movies.

SHRIMP SALAD

1 lemon
2 c cooked rice (approx. 1 c uncooked)
1 c raw cauliflower (cut up) or substitute celery
4 1/2 oz or more shrimp (cooked and cooled)
1 small onion, chopped
1/2 green pepper
almost 1 c salad dressing

Season shrimp with lemon and pepper, marinate. Add salt and pepper to salad dressing. Stir in rice, celery or cauliflower and shrimp to dressing.

BETTY MAXWELL'S QUICKY COBBLER

(Betty Maxwell is Cynthia Blair's mother.)
1 c flour
1 c sugar
2 T baking powder
1 stk margarine
1/4 t salt
3/4 to 1 c milk
1 can large peaches

Melt margarine in large baking dish. Mix all other ingredients except peaches. Pour over margarine. Add peaches last. Bake about 30 minutes at 375 degrees.

CAROL LACKEY'S ICE CREAM

(Carol Lackey, a longtime resident of Plains, was a beloved school teacher at Plains ISD, who lost her life in a car accident in the mid-70s.)

5 egg whites beaten stiff (set aside)
1/2 pint whipped whipping cream
5 egg yolks
juice of one lemon
2 t vanilla
2 c sugar (scant)

Add egg whites and cream. Add milk (about 1/2 gallon) and freeze (with ice cream freezer).

VIENNESE CRESCENTS

(makes 2 1/2 to 3 doz. "This is Royce's favorite.")

Confectioners sugar
1 c flour
1/2 c butter or margarine (softened)
1/2 c slivered almonds, ground
1 t almond extract
1/4 t salt

Grease large cookie sheet. Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Mix 1/4 c confectioners sugar with all other ingredients until well blended (use hand). Shape 1 t cookie dough into 1 1/2 inch crescents. Place one inch apart on cookie sheet. Bake 20 minutes. Cool completely on racks. Just before serving, sprinkle cookies lightly with confectioners sugar.

NUT KISSES

("My favorite cookie.")
1/2 c chopped nuts (very fine)
2 egg whites, beaten stiff not dry
1/2 c sugar
1/2 t vanilla
1/8 t salt

To beaten egg whites, beat in sugar a little at a time. Fold in vanilla, salt and nuts. Drop by teaspoon on ungreased letter paper. Bake in slow oven at 275 degrees for 40 to 60 mins. If well-dried in baking, store in a tight can. ("They will keep a long time, if you can keep away from them!")

CRANBERRY MOLD

1 pkg raspberry Jell-O
2 c boiling water
3 c whole cranberries
1 c orange juice
3/4 c nuts
1/2 c cold water
1/2 c sugar
1 chopped apple
crushed pineapple (optional)

Dissolve Jell-O in hot water, chop cranberries in blender and add to Jell-O. Add sugar, apple, nuts, orange juice and (pineapple, if desired).

TOSTADO PIZZA

("A family favorite, this is a meal in itself, just add a sherbet for dessert.")
2 T yellow cornmeal
2 c packaged biscuit mix
1/2 c cold water
1 lb ground beef
3/4 c water
3 T chopped/seeded green chilies
1 envelope taco seasoning mix
1 15 1/2 oz can refried beans
1 c shredded cheese
1 c chopped tomatoes
1/2 c chopped onion
taco sauce
sour cream

Generously grease a 12" pizza pan. Sprinkle with cornmeal. Combine

biscuit mix and 1/2 c water in a bowl. Stir with fork until all combined. Turn out on lightly floured surface; knead five or six times. Roll to a 14" circle; pat into prepared pizza pan. Crimp edges. In skillet, brown meat; drain off excess fat. Add 3/4 c water, chilies and taco seasoning mix, bring to boiling. Reduce heat and simmer uncovered for 15 minutes or until thick. Spread beans on dough. Top with meat mixture. Bake at 450 degrees for 18 to 20 minutes. Top with cheese. Return to oven to melt cheese (approx. 4 mins). Cut into six wedges. Serve with lettuce, tomatoes, onion, sour cream and taco sauce.

County Committee plans for new year

Yoakum County Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Committee members discussed programs for 1993, the budget and recapped the success of last year's projects during a meeting held in the Denver City Community Building on Monday, Jan. 25 at 7:30 p.m.

The organization begins a new year with \$7,000 in its budget. Last year's expenses amounted to \$3,660. With that money, they were able to reach an estimated 1060 people through various programs. About \$1,000 each was spent on the Red Ribbon Campaign and parenting program. Another \$360 went towards the payment of Rapunzel, a musical group which performed in Plains last November.

The A.D. Players took \$800 in the budget. The Houston group performed their anti-drug play at the Denver City Intermediate School. In the final budgeted item, another \$500 was spent on a toll free crisis hotline. Teenagers and adults needing help can call 1-800-886-4351.

Members made plans for several projects this year. They plan to meet at 10 a.m. Feb. 5 to further discuss Ala-Teen, a counseling service for teenagers living with alcohol. The establishment of a Big Brother/Big Sister program was scratched off from the activities list. The program is very difficult to establish, especially in a small town, and the program suffers a high turnover rate of volunteers.

Members became excited when discussing the possibility of forming Project Graduation. The program offers an alternative to celebrating graduation day on the street. Seniors are offered a chance to participate in an array of activities, such as dancing, games, swimming and videos. The goal of Project Graduation is to allow seniors to celebrate without the use of alcohol or drugs.

Project Graduation has been apart of senior class plans for other Texas schools for several years. It will take the collective efforts of senior sponsors, students and their parents to organize the party.

Committee members present for the meeting included Joni Hancock, Kathy Clark, Nancy Jones, Latrell McDonnell, Brenda Pennington, Joan Chandler and Terry Millican.

4th Annual Feast to benefit Special Olympics

The fourth annual Ragin' Cajun, benefiting the Area 17 Texas Special Olympics, will be held at 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 13 at the Depot Warehouse in Lubbock.

Local celebrities including Texas Tech athletic coaches, community leaders, members of the Southwest Football Officials Association, and television and radio personalities and will serve as waiters at the tasty event.

The Jazz Alley Band will provide live entertainment between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., while Shanna Van Winkle, Cecil Caldwell, Mike Turner and Johnny Travis provide entertainment from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

"Crab legs, shrimp, sausage, corn, potatoes and other choice ingredients combined with our own special seafood boil will make for a great feed," said Rayma Patterson, Ragin' Cajun chairperson.

"We're using a giant "boiling pot" of fresh, tangy, Cajun-style seafood and vegetables served with paprika, garlic, plenty of spices and the secret stuff; a recipe borrowed from the Cajun bayou country," says Patterson.

"Casual dress is highly recommended," she said. "You'll be given a mallet for cracking your crab legs, paper towels and a bib - a different way of eating for the whole family."

Items donated by local merchants will be auctioned throughout the day by Ken and Brandon Peters, #6828.

Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$20 for students and senior citizens, and \$10 for children over six. For ticket information, call 747-4798 or 747-2808. Deadline for reservations is Wednesday, Feb. 10.

Twenty years ago, experts said that a man walking on the moon was impossible. Experts also said that persons with mental retardation couldn't run a hundred meters, swim the length of a pool or play a game sport like basketball. As with lunar landings, the experts have been proven wrong.

Founded in 1968, the Texas Special Olympics provides sports training and competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children eight years and older, and adults with mental retardation.

Filmtime

Filmtime youngsters Wednesday enjoyed the films "I Know an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly" and "The Sneetches." Books of the day were "The Big Sneeze" and "The Very Busy Spider."

Attending were B.J. Lester, Todd Williams, Callie Howell, M'Leah McKinzie, B.D. Guetersloh, Alisha Wauson, Katie Winn, Nicholas Curtis, Zachary and Abel Ramos, Magan Garcia, Britnie Duran, Michael Crump, Jordan Chambliss, Lauren Davis, Ryan Crump, Kimberly Jackson, Paige Hollensed, Chris Loya, Nichole Culwell and Jacob Brink.

Plains Junior High *Basketball Wrap-Up*

Plains Junior High School hosted a basketball tournament Jan. 21-22 with the seventh grade boys and girls claiming championship trophies.

In action Jan. 21, the girls whipped Seagraves 20-9 back of Sandy Warren's 15 points. Others scoring were Lindsey Six, 3, and Shyloh Winn, 2. Against Tatum, the next morning, the host team drubbed their opponents 43-8. Scoring were Winn, 14; Cecelia Moreno, 11; Neomi Stewart, 6; Warren, 5 and Shawna Box, 3.

Championship play found Plains winning 35-7 over Morton. Scoring were Warren, 16 points; Moreno, 7; Winn, 6; Stewart, Box and Cassie Lowe, 2 each.

Seventh grade boys handed Seagraves a 40-30 loss in their opener. Scoring were Jason Redman, 15; Abraham Garcia, 8; Shawn Cullins, 7; Jamie Caballero and Derek Brunson, 4 each and Heath Bowlin, 2.

In their second round, Plains won 34-25 over Tatum. Scoring were Caballero, 13 points; Redman and Garcia, 6 each; Cullins, 4; and Chris Willett and Brunson, 2 each. Bowlin hit one free shot.

The title was won with a 40-18 victory over Levelland. Scoring were Garcia, 14; Cullins and Caballero, 8 each; Willett, 6; Redman and Bowlin, 2 each.

Eighth grade teams finished in the runner-up spots. The girls opened with a 29-24 loss to Seagraves. Kiley Bearden scored 13; Tessa St. Romain, 5; Bridget Bernal, 4; and Samantha Blake, 2.

Plains won the second round with a 37-16 victory over Tatum. Scoring were Bernal, 9; Robin Squyres, 8; Bearden, 6; St. Romain and Samantha Blake, 4 each and Yolanda Ward, Mary Morales and Kristy McClure, 2 each.

A 33-26 win over Morton gave the home team girls second place in the tourney. Scoring were Bearden and Squyres, 12 each; St. Romain, 7 and Bernal, 2.

The boys won their opener against Seagraves 41-20. Scoring were Stephen Bitolas, 19; Jacob Lester, 7; Wayne Willett, 6; Marte Pierce, 4; Casey Forbus, 3; and Yancey House, 2.

Tatum handed the Wranglers a 49-31 loss Saturday morning. Scoring were Lester, 10; House, 6; Bitolas, 5; Pierce, 4; Forbus, Allen Ward and Willett, 2 each.

Claiming second place, the Wranglers whipped Levelland 37-33. Scoring were Willett, 16; Bitolas, 11; Lester, 3; and Forbus, Pierce and House, 2 each. Ward collected one free throw.

Earlier in the season, eighth grade girls placed third in the Sundown Tournament while the Wranglers captured second place. Those results and season results include:

8th Grade Boys - Sundown Tournament

Jan. 14 - Plains 48, Anton 12.

Scoring: House and Lester, 12 each; Pierce, 6; Willett, 5; Forbus, 2.

Jan. 15 - Plains 30, Meadow 38.
Scoring: Pierce, 11; Lester, 10; Willett, 9; Bitolas, 6; Forbus, 2.

Jan. 15 - Plains 37, Sundown 28.
Scoring: Bitolas, 11; House, 10; Pierce, 3; Forbus and Willett, 2 each.

8th Grade Girls - Sundown Tourney

Jan. 14 - Plains 30, Anton 9.
Scoring: Bearden, 14; Squyres, St. Romain, Samantha Blake and Bernal, 4 each.

Jan. 15 - Plains 31, Meadow 50.
Scoring: Squyres, 14; Bearden, 8; Bernal and St. Romain, 4 each; and Blake, 1.

Jan. 15 - Plains 33, Lazbuddie 8.
Scoring: Bearden, 13; Squyres, 10; Bernal, 6; St. Romain and McClure, 2 each.

8th Grade Boys, Season

Nov. 23 - Plains 64, O'Donnell 17.
Scoring: Bitolas, 18 points; Lester, 12; Willett, 11; Pierce and Joe Luna, 6 each; House, 4; Forbus, 3; Eddie Garcia and Coley Burgess, 2 each.

Nov. 30 - Plains 54, Ropes 6.
Scoring: Bitolas, 16; Lester, 14; Luna, 9; House, 6; Garcia, 4; Pierce, 3.

Jan. 4 - Plains 53, Whiteface 16.
Scoring: Willett, 16; Luna, 13; Bitolas, 8; Lester and Pierce, 6 each; Forbus, 4.

Jan. 18 - Plains 49, Ropes 22.
Scoring: Willett and Bitolas, 11 each; Lester, 10; Pierce, 8; Forbus and House, 4 each; and Ward, 1.

8th Grade Girls

Jan. 18 - Plains 21, Smyer 30.
Scoring: Bearden, 7; Bernal and St. Romain, 5 each.

7th Grade Girls

Jan. 18 - Plains 45, Smyer 11.
Scoring: Winn, 10; Moreno, 5; Beckham, 4; Box, 3 and Dolly Gonzales, Stewart and Monica Lazos, 2 each.

Jan. 25 - Plains 28, Ropes 13.
Scoring: Bernal, 13; Squyres and St. Romain, 6 each; Blake, 2 and Bearden, 1.

7th Grade Boys

Jan. 6 - Plains 30, Seminole 36.
Scoring: Abraham Garcia, 11; Caballero, 8; Cullins, 4; Derek Brunson and Redman, 2 each; Willett, 1.

Jan. 11 - Plains 38, Seminole 28.
Scoring: Garcia, 14; Caballero, 9; Cullins and Willett, 4 each; Brunson, 2.

Jan. 18 - Plains 45, Smyer 8.
Scoring: Garcia, 14; Caballero, 10; Redman, 6; Bowlin, Cullins and Alberto Tarango, 4 each; and Willett, 3.

Math/Science Team competes at Dunbar

Plains High School's math/science team participated Jan. 23 in a meet in Dunbar High School in Lubbock. In a field of 22 teams, PHS finished fourth overall with 2115 points. Competing were Lenny Morrow, Jay Rushing, Tammy Lowrey, Tracy Bearden, Jason San Filippo, Brian Wilson, Lance Cole, Ken McAdams and Brad McMinn.

The number sense team placed second overall. Morrow finished first; Rushing, second and Bearden, eighth in the junior division. McMinn was third.

Finishing sixth overall, the calculator team earned individual wins for Morrow, third; Lowrey, seventh and Bearden, tenth.

In mathematics, Rushing was sixth; Morrow, ninth. The science team placed fifth overall. Bearden was fourth, Rushing, sixth and Morrow, ninth.

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Mary Kelley retires after ten years service

Mary Kelley, probation officer and director of the Community Supervision and Corrections Department serving Yoakum and Terry Counties, officially resigned her position Jan. 31 after spending a decade on the job.

Judge Ray Anderson appointed Serena Elmore, the current assistant director, as Mrs. Kelley's replacement. She began working Feb. 1.

"I am delighted with his selection. She will do an outstanding job," Kelley said.

An appreciation reception honoring Mrs. Kelley was held from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. Jan. 29 in the coffee room on the first floor of the Yoakum County Courthouse in Plains. She was also honored with a luncheon at noon Jan. 29 at the Terry County Courthouse.

Mrs. Kelley began working in the probation system as a secretary on Jan. 3, 1983. She was appointed to chief adult probation officer on Nov. 1, 1983. She plans to become a professional grant writer and motivational trainer.

"I really enjoyed working in the system, but I want to join my husband (Ron Kelley) who is the preacher at the Roby United Methodist Church. He has had that appointment since June of 1992, and I've been commuting on the weekends," she said.

"Had this been a job I would have left in June, but for me it's been a mission and I've spent the last six months preparing for my departure."

During her stay in office, Mrs. Kelley was instrumental in establishing a program that instills positive thinking into the lives of criminal offenders.

The develop program, entitled Positive Action Planning Program, apparently has produced positive results.

"It's a simple program to follow. Components are developing a fun list, developing a strengths list, substance abuse education and the how-to's of developing self-esteem," Mrs. Kelley related.

The one main communality that offenders share is that they identify themselves as being bad. Throughout their lives, negative actions from parents, society and peers result in offenders finally believing what they've been informed since childhood. That low self-esteem is often passed onto their own offspring.

"As long as their personal identity remains 'I am bad,' their actions will support their beliefs," she said. "For the non-violent criminal offender, a successful intervention and rehabilitation program will assist them in developing a new positive self image that says, 'I am good.' Accepting personal responsibility and seeing their personal valuable worth are key components of their change process. When that occurs, the criminal offender is prepared to be a productive, responsible legal member of their community."

"The criminal offender that is not willing to make changes and continues the criminal lifestyle, needs to be incarcerated to re-think his position about illegal activity," she added. "I do believe incarceration is appropriate for the violent, habitual criminal."

"Over the past 10 years of working in this system, I've learned a lot about working with the criminal offender, the criminal justice system and the politicians involved. The most pronounced lesson is that without appropriate intervention and rehabilitation of the selected criminal offender, our system will continue to spin out of control. Our whole system supports the low self-esteem of the criminal offender, which will not impact and make change," Mrs. Kelley states.

The county's probation system is staffed by about eight employees. An estimated 811 probation cases in Yoakum and Terry Counties are supervised by the office.

Mary Kelley expressed the fact that she looks forward to renewing old friendships that she has not had time to enjoy in the past.



RETIRING MARY KELLEY and her predecessor, Serena Elmore

Gardeners hold program on tree planting

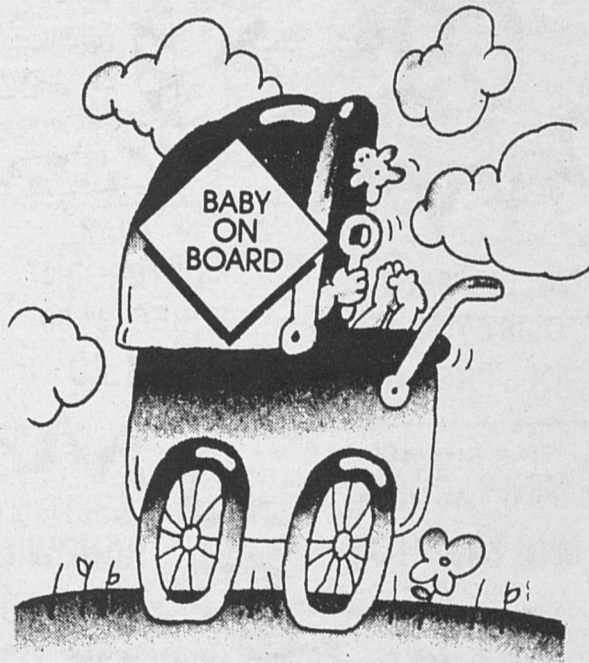
Plains Dirt Gardeners met recently in the home of Mrs. Harry Richardson for a meeting on tree planting and pruning.

A report was made on Operation Christmas Card. Members discussed placing cement markers at each unmarked grave in the older section of Plains Cemetery.

The current slate of officers was re-elected with Mrs. Richardson as president; Mrs. Alfred Pippin, vice president; and Mrs. Harry Bilbrey, secretary/treasurer.

Attending were Mmes. W.C. Guetersloh, W.M. Overton, H.N. Parker, Gilbert Pierce, Christene Edwards, Robert Young, Bilbrey and Pippin.

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- Deborah Head
- Dell Knight
- D'Lynn McGinty
- Harold D. Parrish
- Verna Randall
- Jeanine St. Romain
- Neoma Taylor Turner
- Clyde Trout

To Expire

In January

- Linda Cole
- F.W. Graham
- A.J. Hayes
- Pat Henard
- T.J. Miller
- Jerry Parrish
- Gilbert Pierce
- Alma L. Poe
- Tracy Welch
- David Alexander
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- David Lollar
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