Welch resigns from board, **SWCD** appoints Linda Powell

Welch as Yoakum Soil and Water Conservation District Zone 5 director, the remaining board members appointed Linda Grau Powell to fill this vacancy. State Soil and Water Conservation Statutes only provide for an appointment system, for filling vacancies created, after an election has been con-

Mrs. Powell is in the ranching and farming business with her husband, Ty. She is also owner of Renaissance Flowers and Gifts in Plains. She was a teacher in the Denver City school system from 1978 to 1988 when she re-

Having previously served as Zone 5 director to fill the vacancy created by Dick McGinty's death in 1990, she was narrowly defeated by Welch in the regularly scheduled Zone 5 election held on Oct. 7, 1993. Directors are elected to serve four year terms.

According to notes, Mrs. Powell took a very active part in board activities during her previous appointment. She has contributed to the board's effort to balance production and conservation in a farm program that has been in effect only four years and thus is in an optimizing stage. She has also been active particularly in the public schools to provide information on the need for soil and water conservation.

During Mrs. Powell's previous board appointment, she served as the 1992-93 vice president of the 24 county South Plains SWCD Association. She was serving on the State Public Education Committee for SWCD's until October 1993 and is expected now to be re-instated to the committee.

Mrs. Powell, an active citizen in community civic affairs, has been involved with the local 4-H program, serving as a 4-H leader. She also

Following the resignation of Tracy served her community as a literacy volunteer. She is in support of the extension service and is a member of the Plains ISD board of directors and a member of the Yoakum County Art Association.

> Tracy Welch, a farmer in Zone 5, resigned his newly elected board position, after realizing that he did not meet all the state soil and water conservation statutes governing land ownership requirements. Mr. Welch states that he plans to remedy this matter before the next Zone 5 election.

Children's Grief Camp to be annual event

Twenty-four children, ages five through 15, attended a grief camp Oct. 22-23 under the sponsorship of Hospice Services Inc. Held in St. Paul's United Methodist Church, the camp was titled, "Wings of Love...Just For

The overnight camp was the special interest of Julie Duke, Hospice Counselor. She was assisted by Judy Thomas, social worker, and Brian McGonagill, chaplain/bereavement counselor.

Children participated in various activities to assist them now and in the future dealing with loss and grief. Activities including writing, artwork, tee shirt painting, collage making, group sharing and a memorial service.

Meals and supplies were furnished by local businesses.

The camp was such a success, plans are already underway for a repeat camp next year. Hospice is also planning a one-day workshop for older teenagers.

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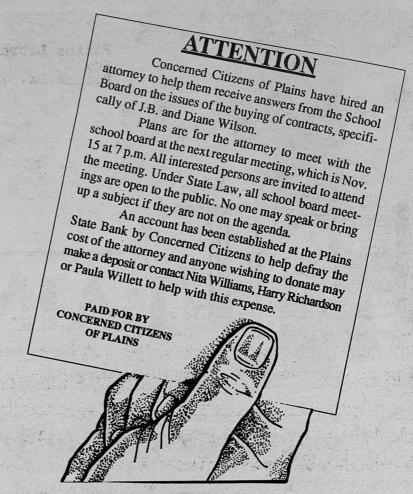
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State SWCD Directors hold 53rd Annual Meeting

The 53rd Annual state meeting of the Texas Soil and Water Conservation District Directors was recently held at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. L.J. Sanders, David Turnbough and Neal Newsom, Directors from the Yoakum Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) attended. Others attending from the Yoakum Soil and Water Conservation District were Mario Avila, SCS District Conservationist and Linda Powell.

Approximately 1,000 people from throughout the state attended the meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to review developments affecting state and national soil and water conservation programs. Various workshops focussed on an array of issues.

"A panel of Legislative leaders discussed recently enacted legislation having impact on soil and water conservation programs in Texas," said L.J. Sanders, Chairman of the Yoakum SWCD.

"One of the workshops addressed The National Historic Preservation Act and how the USDA Soil Conservation Service must comply with its provisions when cultural resources are found on private land," added Avila.

In an environmental issues forum, the Texas Clean Rivers Program including overview of the State Water Quality Assessments Program was addressed.

"Considerations involving the coordination of this program with soil and water conservation districts (SWCD's) and the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board (TSSWCB) were addressed at this workshop," said Sanders.

"In addition, the effectuation of Senate Bill 503 which establishes a site specific water quality management plan development and implementation program through the TSSWCB and SWCD's was also discussed in the forum," he added.

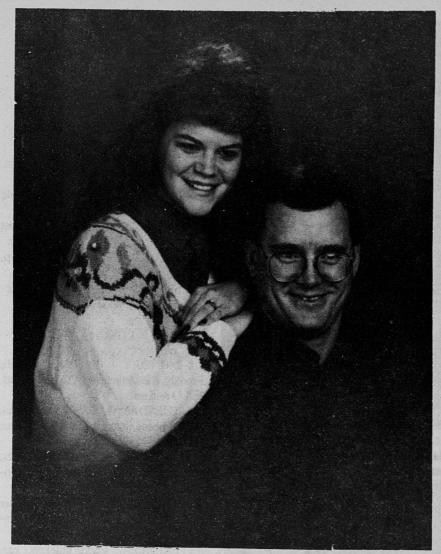
The re-authorization of the Clean Water Act including key elements of pending legislation as well as a report on the status of Texas' effort to obtain federal approval of the Coastal Zone Management Program was another focus of the workshop," according to Sanders.

The issue of USDA re-organization and its impact on the Soil Conservation Service and SWCD's was discussed in the Resource Conservation Issues workshop.

A District Operations Workshop was also held for district directors and district employees. The workshop consisted of a training session on items relating to day-to-day operations for a soil and water conservation district.

The attenders were welcomed to Lubbock by State Senator John Montford. Key speakers included Gerald Digerness, President, National Association of Conservation Districts, Donald Swann, President, Association of Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts, Robert Buckley, Executive Director, Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board; and Wes Oneth, State Conservationist, USDA Soil Conservation Service.

Regular elections for the Association of Texas Soil and Water Conservation District Directors for State Areas One, Three and Five were also held during the area sessions. Mike Holt of Spearman was re-elected for Area 1, Guillermo Benavides of Laredo was re-elected for Area 3, and J.K. (Rooter) Brite, Jr. of Bowie was elected for Area 5. During the Association's business session, Donald Swann of Taft was re-elected as president and Mike Holt of Spearman was re-elected as vice-president.



KASEY GILLEAN & BRENT STEPHENS

Wedding plans revealed

Mr. and Mrs. Max Gillean of Lubbock announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Kasey Marie, to Brent Rowe Stephens, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rowe Stephens.

The couple will recite wedding vows Jan. 8, 1994 in Highland Baptist Church in Lubbock.

Miss Gillean is a graduate of Monterey High School and attends the University of Texas in Arlington. She is employed at Chedders.

Stephens graduated from Plains High School, Texas Tech University and Dallas Baptist University. He is employed with Americana Foods of Dallas.



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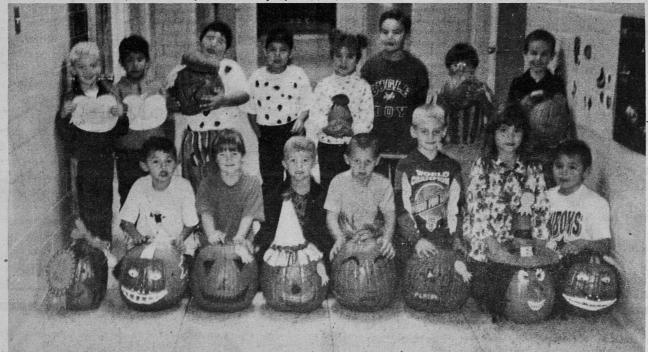
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PAINTED FOR HALLOWEEN - Pumpkins painted by Mrs. Ramos' first grade class are shown by, left to right, front row, Daniela Lazos, Kristian Morales, Ramiro Barrientes, Jessica Garza, Daniel Estrada (first place) and Jamie Covarrubias. Back row, Micaela Carrillo, Aldo Fierro, Maricela Lopez, Eloy Reyna and Brenda Luna.



FIRST GRADE DECORATORS - In Mrs. Davis' room, left to right, front row, Tosha Taylor (first place), John Wagnon, Steffi Carter, Brandon Hise, Trey Cleveland, Kerry Sisson, Lolly Garza and Cody Flores. Back row, Kevin Penner, Arnoldo Luna, Brent Huerta, Kayla Reeder, Janie Wright, Daniel Parker, Manuel Mendoza and Kelby Johnson.



What's for lunch?

BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Cinnamon toast, oatmeal, grape juice and milk.

TUESDAY - Donuts, toast, apple juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY - French toast w/honey, toast, orange juice and milk.

THURSDAY - Waffles w/syrup, fruit punch and milk.

FRIDAY - Toast, cold cereal, orange/pineapple juice and milk.

LUNCH

MONDAY - Hot dogs w/chili, French fries w/catsup, tossed salad, Jell-O and milk.

TUESDAY - Green enchiladas, refried beans, lettuce, tomatoes, peanut cookies and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Hamburgers, lettuce, pickles, Chee-tos, fruit, gingerbread and milk.

THURSDAY - Beef stew, Kosher pickles, pinto beans, coleslaw, cornbread, apple cobbler and milk.

FRIDAY - Fried chicken, carrot/pineapple salad, green beans, peaches, hot rolls and milk.

School Events

TUESDAY - Basketball - Wellman - JV/V - here - 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY - Joston's meet with Seniors

FRIDAY - Basketball - Open SATURDAY - State Volleyball Tournament

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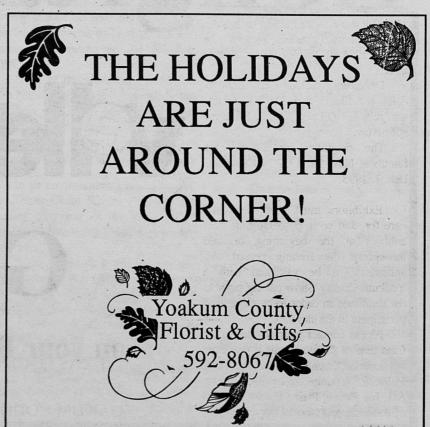
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KATIE WINN & LAUREN DAVIS

Two 4-year-olds celebrate birthdays at Filmtime

Lauren Davis and Katie Winn celebrated their fourth birthdays Wednesday along with other boys and girls attending Filmtime at Yoakum County Library. Their mothers furnished cookies and juice.

Films of the day were "A Boy, A Dog and a Frog" and "Frog Goes to Dinner". Youngsters sang "Froggie Goes A Courtin'" while playing musical instruments.

Others attending were Matthew Jimenez, Holden and Hunter Welch, Callie Howell, Britnie Duran, Lexus Reyes, Rubi Castillo, Lydia Whitzel, Amber Friesen, Landon Earnest, Wyatt Dearing, Chris Loya, Jacob Brink, Cody Mayes, Desiraye Broome, Morgan Willis and Nicole Culwell.

Stock Show validation deadlines given

The Yoakum County Livestock and Agricultural Improvement Association would like to inform anyone who plans to show swine, sheep or rabbits at the County Livestock Show, Feb. 10-12, 1994 of the Validation Deadlines

Deadlines include the expired dates for Steers and Heifers, which was July 1, 1993 and Nov. 1, 1993, respectively.

The deadline for Swine and Lambs is Nov. 15, 1993 and Rabbits, Dec. 1, 1993.

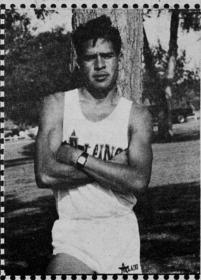
Exhibitors must own, feed and care for, and be in possession of their animals at the beginning of and throughout the feeding period. All animals must be validated with a Yoakum County Show ear tag prior to the deadlines in order to be eligible to participate in the show.

Please contact your advisor to inform him of show animals if you have not done so. County advisors are Terry Millican, County Extension Agent-AG, Joe Pierce, Plains Future Farmers of America, and Geoff Cooper, Denver City FFA.



PUMPKIN DECORATORS - Plains First Graders competed in a decorating contest with Nancy Ward, fourth from left, in the front row, as the Grand PrizeWinner. Each class had a first place winner. Others in the front row, are Isaac Ramon, Clayton Oswalt, Breck Hamm, Lela Coronado, Evan Cain and Marlie Diaz. Back row, Melissa Luna, Judy Luna, Vanessa Luna, Mayra Flores (first place), Cody Walker, Jessica Henry and Raymond Saldana.

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DAVID CORRALES, 18-year-old son of Jose and Alice Corrales is a senior Cross Country competitor. He lists his favorite subjects as History and Physical Education, his favorite food as chicken fried steak and his favorite music includes Spanish, Country and Classical. He says he hopes to continue on to college after graduation and become somebody important in society.



MARY ANN GONZALES, 16, is the daughter of Herman and Gloria Gonzales. A junior, she plays outside hitter for the Cowgirl Volleyball team. She also participates in track as a mile runner and plays singles tennis. Pizza is her favorite food and History is her favorite class. She says she plans to go to college after graduating from high school.



JOEY GUERRA, 16-years-old, is the son of Josie and Alfredo Guerra. A junior, he plays offensive left guard and defensive linebacker for the Cowboys. His favorite music is Heavy Metal, "because it pumps me up for the football games." His goal for the future is to get to state in football. His favorite dish is Spaghetti, he says, because he likes pasta.

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Leaving crop residue is good for the farmland

"There's economical help available to farmers these days," says Mario Avila, District Conservationist with the USDA Soil Conservation Service in Yoakum County, "All a farmer must do is recognize the extra help and use

What's the help, you ask? It's crop residue, and all a farmer must do is leave it on the soil surface and manage it instead of plowing or burning it in

How does crop residue help? "Crop residue helps in many ways," says Avila. "One way crop residue helps is that it cushions rainfall and holds snow during winter months. The residue acts as a shock absorber that helps to control splash erosion. This shock absorber action of residue can save the farmer three to five tons of soil per acre per year on flat fields."

When splash erosion is controlled, organic matter stays in the field, where it increases the water holding capacity of the soil and makes the soil easier to work. Other ways crop residue can help is by decreasing county borrow ditch maintenance. Fall plowing may increase the potential for wind and water erosion over the winter months, which increases the amount of sediment deposited in borrow ditches. This sediment which is blown from the plowed fields, contains five times the organic matter of the soil remaining in the field. Soil removed from borrow ditches is expensive to county tax payers. When you couple this loss with the

value of the organic matter lost, it's better to leave crop residue on the ground.

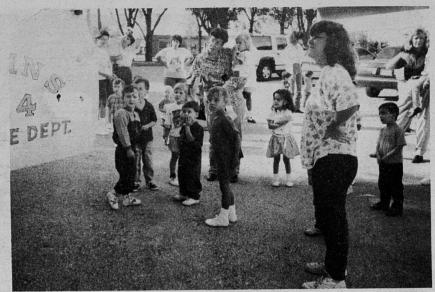
Years ago, it was believed that crop residue needed to be plowed under. But research indicates that residue decomposes on the soil surface, as well as being plowed under. Residue left on the surface to decompose has the added benefit of protecting the soil from erosion.

Some people burn crop residue. When an acre of small grain stubble is burned, you lose about 90 pounds of nitrogen, 20 pounds of phosphorus and 50 pounds of potash, plus the loss of benefits from organic matter. With today's tough economic times, it makes sense not to burn residue.

Two more important features of crop residue are the following: Residue helps keep runoff water cleaner, which keeps water in our streams and lakes cleaner. Additionally, residue benefits wildlife by providing them with food and cover. Residue benefits all.

This fall, use crop residue effectively, and let it help you save time, money, soil and organic matter. This conservation practice costs little, and its waiting to help you.

If you have any questions on residue management call your local Soil Conservation Service office at 456-3703. All programs and services of the Soil Conservation Service are offered on a nondiscriminatory basis, without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, marital status or handicap.



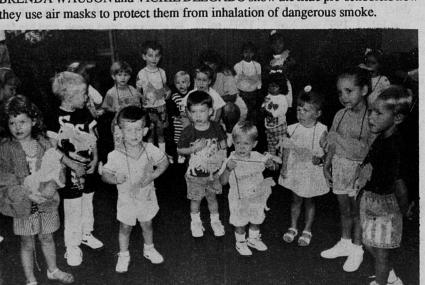
FILMTIMERS given inside look of the local Fire Department's emergency vehicle and fire truck.



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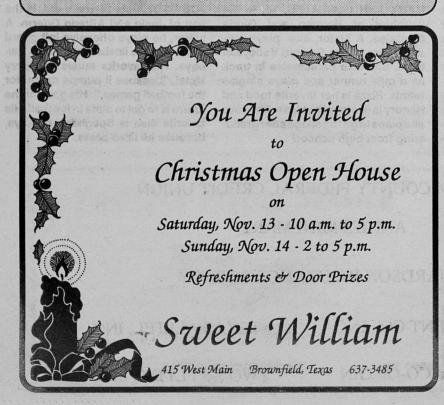


BRENDA WAUSON and VICKIE DELGADO show the little pre-schoolers how they use air masks to protect them from inhalation of dangerous smoke.



WELCOME BACK TO FILMTIME - Lion name tags welcomed youngsters back to the annual school of "Filmtime" recently.

Plains Athletic Booster Club meets 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17 at the Club Room Join Us!





MRS. BEN LILES

Kitchen Korner

"Folks, we have reached the bot- 12x8x2 inch dish. Chill until firm. tom of the barrel when I'm asked to be "Cook of the Week!" says Margaret (Mrs. Ben) Liles.

Margaret shares two of her "easy does it" recipes. The third recipe she shares is one she describes, "It's fun and it's pretty when finished. But when all else fails, there is still peanut

The Liles moved to Plains in 1959 with their four children, Sandra, Shirley, Gary and Rick. All graduated from Plains High School.

Remembering, Margaret says, "Since Rick was only two when we moved here and the others were already in school, we had 16 years of football, basketball, baseball, volleyball and band! As one lady said, 'We might not have money to buy groceries this week, but we'll see you at the ball game!"

Through the years, Margaret served as secretary of First Baptist Church for 27 years and as church pianist for 25. "This gave me a wonderful excuse for not really cooking - no time!" she says with a smile.

A friend recalls that Margaret was nicknamed "Mother Superior" while she served as church secretary because of her ability to always be able to take care of everyone's needs.

Ben worked for the State Highway Department and later for Precinct Four until his retirement.

TRI-COLOR SALAD

1 (3 oz) pkg. cherry gelatin

3 c boiling water (divided use)

1 (16 oz) can whole cranberry sauce

1/2 c chopped pecans

1 (3 oz) pkg. lemon gelatin

1 (3 oz) pkg. cream cheese

1 (15 oz) crushed pineapple, well drained

1 (16 oz) can pears

1 (3 oz) pkg. lime gelatin

Dissolve cherry gelatin in one cup boiling water. Stir in cranberry sauce and pecans. Pour into lightly oiled

Dissolve lemon gelatin in one cup boiling water. Add cream cheese, beating until smooth. Stir in drained pineapple. Chill until consistency of egg whites. Pour over red layer.

Drain pear halves, reserving 3/4 c liquid. Dissolve lime gelatin in one cup boiling water. Stir in chopped pear halves and juice. Chill until consistency of egg whites. Pour over white layer. Cover and chill until firm. Cut in squares and serve on lettuce.

ONE DISH MEAL

4 skinless chicken breasts

4 small potatoes, quartered

3 medium carrots, cut in 2 inch pieces

8 broccoli flowerettes

1 can mushroom soup

1/2 c water

Place chicken and vegetables in large casserole. Mix soup and water. Pour over above ingredients. Bake at 350 degrees for about 45 minutes. Or put in oven heated to 250 degrees before going to church. "Dinner is ready when you get home!"

2 EGG YELLOW CAKE

2 C sifted all-purpose flour

1 1/2 c sugar

3 T baking powder

1/2 c shortening 1 c milk

1 t vanilla

2 eggs

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease and flour 13x9x2 inch pan.

Into large bowl, sift flour with sugar and baking powder. Add shortening, milk and vanilla. Beat for two minutes at medium speed. Add eggs, beat two minutes longer. Bake for 35-40 minutes or until surface springs back when touched lightly. Cool 10 minutes. Frost as desired.

Art Association program given

Virginia Jones of Lubbock gave a demonstration on glazing for members of Yoakum County Art Association Tuesday.

Mae Barnett, vice president, presided over the meeting. Helen Hunter was announced as Artist of the Month.

Refreshments of ham roll-ups, chips and cookies were served by Marguerite Barron and Burve Overton to 15 members and three guests.

Next month's meeting will be a Christmas party.

Plains Athletic Booster Club meets 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17 at the Club Room Join Us!

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Lighting plans finalized Tuesday

Plains Chamber of Commerce directors finalized plans for the annual Christmas tree lighting festivities at their regular meeting Tuesday morning in Johnnie's Restaurant. The holiday event is slated for 5:45 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 1.

Attending were Mary Jo St.Romain, Carolyn Culwell, Paul Cobb, David Bunch, Harry Richardson, David Brunson, Gary Walker, Toni Jones, Jim Barron, Dolores Davis, Jack Cobb and Ty Earl Powell.

Plains Fine Arts Club to sell baked potatoes during Dec. 10 games

Plains Fine Arts Club met Thursday, Nov. 4 at 7 p.m. in the home of Frankie Walker. Serving as hostesses for the regular monthly meeting were Frankie Walker and Paula McMinn.

Patrick Hamilton provided entertainment as he sang a selection of love songs.

Members present were Karen Baucom, Beth Ann Cain, Allene Carnohan, Melba Crutcher, Carolyn Culwell, Dolores Davis, Sandra Ellison, Mary Dale Forbus, Debra Hice, Donna Friesen, Terrie Gressett, the hostesses and guests Patrick and Melissa Hamilton.

The club plans to sell baked potatoes at the basketball games on Dec. 10.

The group will gather for their Christmas dinner on Dec. 2 at 7 p.m.

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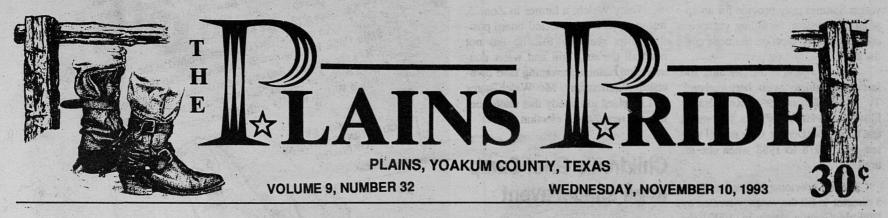
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Cowgirls advance to Area Level

The Cowgirls advanced to the area level of volleyball playoff competition with an 8-15 16-14 15-2 bi-district victory over Wink last Saturday in Big Spring. They traveled to Pecos on Tuesday for a 7:30 p.m. area contest against the Fort Hancock Lady Mustangs. The winner will advance to the Regional 1-A Tournament to be held Saturday at Monterey High School in Lubbock.

Losing the first game 8-15, the Cowgirls recovered from an early 0-6 deficit in game two with three consecutive kills from Amy Crutcher and two service aces from Dusty Beckham for 6-5. They worked to leads of 8-6 and 11-9 but the Wildcats regained their momentum to pull ahead 13-11 before the Cowgirls called their second time

Former resident buried in Plains

Services were conducted Nov. 4 in First United Methodist Church for Lexa LaFlorence Brewster Sims, 81, of Seagraves.

Officiating were the Rev. Bill Perkins of Abilene and the Rev. Billy Sharp, pastor. Interment was in Plains Cemetery under direction of Connally Funeral Home.

Mrs. Sims died Nov. 1 in Wichita Falls General Hospital.

She was born June 2, 1912 in Batesville, Ark. She married Tom Z. Sims July 7, 1938. They lived in Plains until moving to Seagraves in 1982.

Mrs. Sims was preceded in death by her husband, July 5, 1991.

Survivors include three daughters, Betty Trout of Hobbs, NM, Sue Billings of Seagraves and Jan James of Sulphur Springs; two sons, Bobby Springer of Burkburnett and Clark Sims of Chico; 10 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; a brother, Ed Brewster of Tahlequah, Okla. and two sisters, Ruth Babb of Logan, NM and Elsie Rankin of Amarillo.

Grandsons were pallbearers.

Shandy Willett dinked the ball to down two kills to tie the game at 13-13. The game progressed to 14-14 and the Cowgirls held on to eventually take the win on two Wildcat hitting errors. The Cowgirls overpowered the Wildcats in the decisive game and hustled to a 15-2 win for the Bi-District Championship.

Cowgirl statistics included: Amy force side out and the Cowgirls put Crutcher, 14 kills, seven blocks, three digs, seven points, one ace; Rhonda Cowart, two kills, four digs, six points; Stacey Jones, four kills; Shandy Willett, two digs, one point; Kyley Bearden, four kills, six digs, five points, two aces; Dusty Beckham, one kill, two digs, 14 points, three aces; and Valerie Blair, six points.



OUR RESPECTED VOLUNTEERS - Plains Fire Department visited the library recently for a safety program given to the young Filmtime patrons. These volunteers pictured here are, left to right, Vickie Delgado, Tammy Sellers, Brenda Wauson, LaDonna Diamond and Charles Diamond.



CHRISTOPHER ADDISON AND BRENDA WAUSON demonstrate fire protection equipment at the library recently.

Board to seek input for Zone 2 director at Nov. 19 meeting

The Yoakum Soil and Water Conservation District has scheduled a meeting of eligible voters from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. on Nov. 19, 1993 at the Plains Community Center. Purpose of the meeting is to receive names of prospective persons who are eligible candidates to fill the position of SWCD director for Zone 2.

This vacancy has resulted due to the resignation of Chris Winn, with one year remaining on his four year

Zone 2 covers the area west of the Denver City-Plains highway and south of the old Lovington road, excluding that six mile square portion in the northeast corner bound by these highways, which is in Zone 5.

The SWCD Board requests that prospective eligible candidates be contacted prior to the meeting to assure that they will serve.

To be eligible to serve as an SWCD director, a person must be an eligible voter as defined below and own agricultural land in the zone for which the election is being held.

To be an eligible voter a person must be 18 years of age, own agricultural land in the district, be a resident of the district which encompasses Yoakum County, and be actively engaged in farming or animal husbandry. In addition, a farm corporation which owns agricultural land is entitled to one vote in each election that would affect the land owned by the corporation. The corporation shall designate one corporate officer who is at least 18 years of age and a resident of the district to cast their vote.

The Soil and Water Statutes of the state of Texas provide that a director vacancy, created after an election has been held, shall be filled through an appointment by the remaining board members. The SWCD Board of Directors will select and appoint the Zone 2 director at their regularly scheduled meeting on Dec. 2, 1993.