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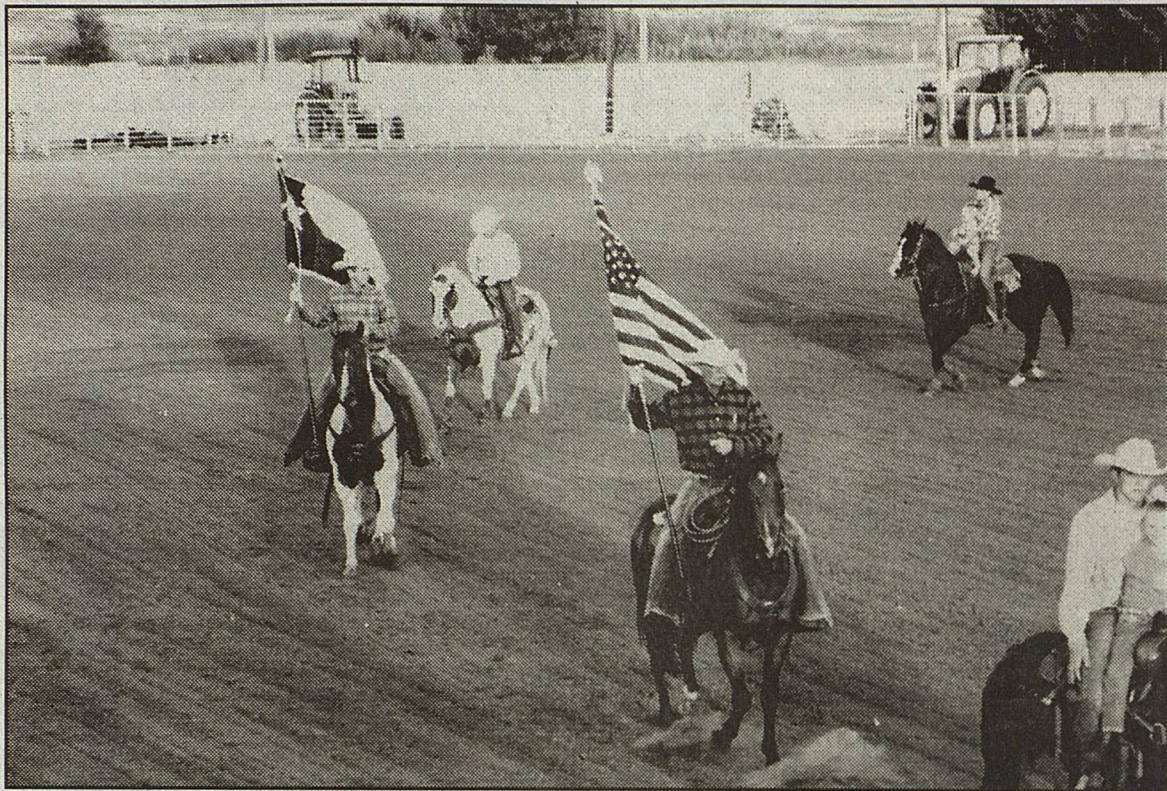
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Back To School

By James Haynes, PISD Superintendent

It's that time of year again. Athletics has begun and the band is practicing. The activity around the school is at a fever pitch. Final cleaning and preparation of the buildings are taking place and everyone, students, parents, teachers and administrators are bracing themselves for a new school year. It looks to be a good year in the making. If all indications are correct the school year could begin with a few more students for our district.

Several new teachers have been hired and are settling in. The first official day back for the staff is Wednesday, August 10, but many staff members have been working since August 1 and others have been here nearly year-round. I have to laugh sometimes when I am told it must be nice to have the entire summer off. Although the children are not in school and teachers do not report to work each day, there are very few teachers who don't attend summer college classes, or participate in additional training opportunities or workshops during the summer that help them improve their teaching skills or the knowledge base of a particular subject.

Administrators certainly don't have the summer off because of the need to plan for the upcoming school year and to locate and hire replacement staff members, and as I mentioned before the maintenance personnel must prepare the facility for the next year of student activity. The staff is in place and ready to improve on a very outstanding accountability rating for Plains ISD that was assigned at the beginning of the month. Plains ISD was rated as a "Recognized School District" by the Texas Education Agency, one of only 157 such ratings for the 2004-2005 school year. There were only nine "Exemplary" districts in the state this year, so that makes Plains one of the top districts of the states 1037 school districts. The high rating gives you an idea of the hard work teachers and administrators do to help the children of Plains learn. Plains, Texas is a great community with great people. That makes it much easier to provide a great education for our children.

One final note concerning our athletic program. I know every person in Plains is a Cowboy/Cowgirl supporter. I am concerned about how we show that support. The Cowboy Country News has published on several occasions the Ten Commandments for supporting student athletes. I will not do that again this year, but I would be glad to provide a copy for any interested person or organization. I will however provide a short synopsis I think will cover the general concepts:

* Be positive with the athletes, coaches and officials. * Be vocal in your support of the team- don't give up on them. * Do not criticize the coaches or officials (I have never seen an instance when yelling and belittling the officials changed the calls being made or the outcome of the game). * Be present and support the teams as often as possible. * Be a gracious loser and an even more gracious winner. * Don't try to dazzle the coach with your superior knowledge of the game. Let them do their job.

We are planning and expecting a great year at Plains ISD and we want every member of the community to be a part of it. We appreciate your support.

Damage settlement, tax rate on routine court agenda

In the August 8 session of Commissioners Court, Pct. 4 Commissioner Jack Cobb reported the settlement of damages to two families property where the airport improvement project is underway. Cobb said the physical damages occurred when oil field tank batteries and flow lines were re-located for the new, expanded runway. Claims for a total of \$6,175 were approved for payment to Reynolds and McGinty family members.

County Auditor Darinda McWhirter reported when the estimated budget was projected for

Commissioners Court and public notification, it failed to include debt service payment on the Yoakum County Hospital bond account, resulting in the proposed budget being some \$100,000 too low. It was necessary for Judge Brewer to make a motion to raise the rollback tax rate from .3936 cents per hundred to .4072 cents. This does not trigger a rollback election, and the Judge pointed out, this year's property taxes will still be considerably lower than last year, thanks to the much higher mineral valuations.

Criminal cases in County, District Court

In the August 2 session of District Court, with Judge Kelly G. Moore presiding and Criminal District Attorney Richard Clark representing the state, Jose Leon Castillo Jr. pled guilty to the lesser included offense of assault causes bodily injury/family violence, a class A misdemeanor. A one year jail sentence was suspended and probated 24 months. He must pay \$211 court costs, \$325 appointed attorney fees and \$25 time pay-

ment fee. He will serve 200 hours community service and ten days in jail. He and his spouse will complete a batterer's intervention program at their cost. Paul Mansur was his attorney and Eddie Bishop, Denver City Police, was investigating officer.

James Walton Spears Jr. pled guilty to third or more DWI, third degree felony. An eight year jail sentence was sus-

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County creates mini-THINK TANK One on one sessions lead to understanding, better customer service

A casual conversation between County Auditor Darinda McWhirter and County Clerk Debbie Rushing has led to the creation of a monthly meeting of county officials and department heads for the purpose of better serving the public. The women were discussing several courthouse issues and realized better cooperation and communication between the different offices could benefit not only courthouse staffers, but courthouse customers as well. They held an informal meeting with Judge Dallas Brewer, who agreed with their thoughts, and the 'brainstorm' ultimately led to monthly meetings of all county department heads.

The auditor coordinated the most recent meeting, held in the commissioner court room August 5. She said some of the discussion topics included plans for a future but unannounced courthouse fire drill, plans for the upcoming county employee picnic, and Sheriff Don Corzine's discussion of personnel hiring issues. " We discuss virtually anything per-



Attending department head meeting were, front, Auditor Darinda McWhirter, Judge Dallas Brewer, Librarian Pat McNabb, Pct. 4 Commissioner Jack Cobb. Back, Tax Collector Jan Parrish, Dist. Clerk Vicki Blundell, Treas. Barbara Wright, County Clerk Debbie Rushig, Sheriff Don Corzine

taining to our different departments. We share computer technology information, requirements coming from the legislature. We think these sessions will benefit the relationship each department has with other courthouse offices'.

Rushing says the group tries to meet around the first of each month. Because of quorum rules governing commission-

ers court, only the judge and one commissioner is allowed to attend the meetings, and the commissioners rotate their attendance. " We have learned from these meetings we have on occasion experienced unintentional miscommunication between departments, and being able to sit down and share thoughts and ideas has been a valuable experience. We're

more aware of how actions in one office can affect others". The two officers said all office staff are urged to share and review any complaints from courthouse customers. Judge Brewer said he sees positive value in the meetings. " The better we can interact with one another here in the courthouse, the better we can serve our county citizens and other customers."

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 pended and probated eight years. He was fined \$1500, must pay \$418 court costs and \$25 time payment fee. He must pay \$118 restitution to DPS and \$4849 to Inez Turner. A cause of DWI with child under 15 was adjudicated. His license will be suspended 180 days. He must serve 160 hours community service, complete the DWI repeat offender program, attend weekly AA meetings and complete 30 days inpatient treatment. Investigating officer was Carmen Medrano, DPS, and his attorney was David Martinez.

In County Court August 3, Judge Dallas Brewer presiding, Adan Vaquera pled guilty to resisting arrest, search or transportation. A 30 day jail sentence was suspended and probated 12 months. He was fined \$100 and must pay \$211 court costs. Davis Martinez was his attorney, and William Gardner, Denver City Police, was investigating officer. Valentin Lozano Dominguez pled guilty to first DWI, breath test refused. A 120 day jail sentence was suspended and probated 12 months. He will spend 72 hours in jail with

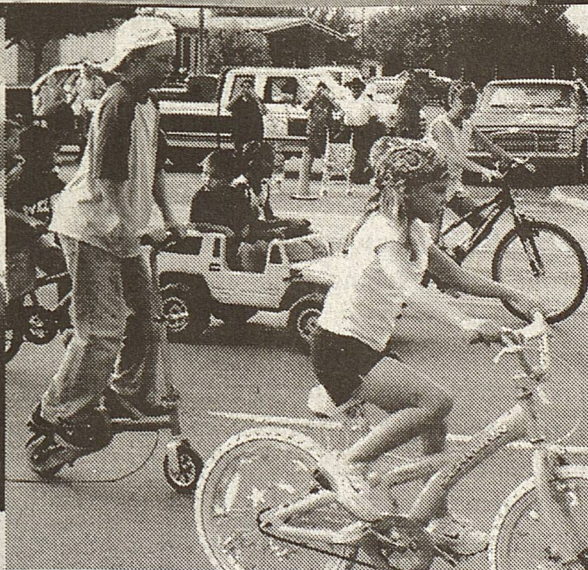
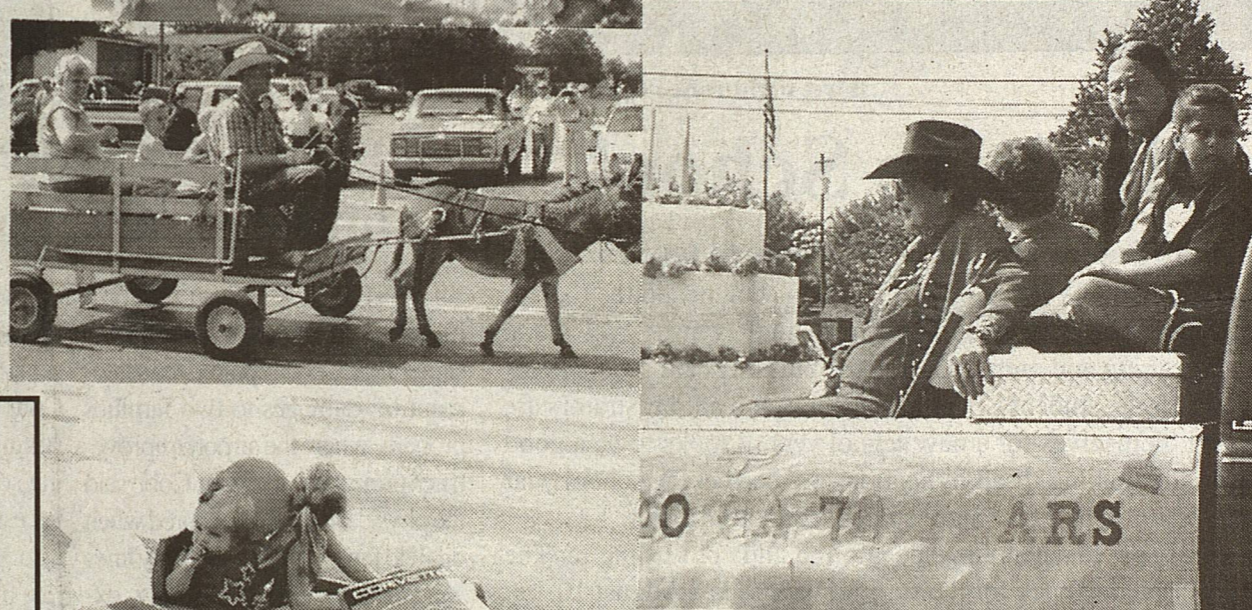
credit for 15 hours, was fined \$500 and must pay \$326 court costs and \$25 time payment fee. He must complete the DWI first offender program and serve 24 hours community service. Bill Helwig was his attorney. Arturo Lopez Franco pled guilty to DWI, b.t. .243/.258. He was fined \$600 and must pay \$326 court costs, and serve 72 hours in jail with credit for 17 hours. He will complete the DWI first offender program and attend weekly AA meetings.

2005 Art Show Big Winners



These three ladies earned top honors with their artistic talents. Shown left to right; Pat McNabb, Best Photography, with her photo 'Marilyn's Japonica'. Helen Beal, Best of Craft, with her quilt, '1001 Nights'. Beverly Bray, with her painting, 'Walk-n-Worthy'. Congratulations to all the contestants for another successful show and sale. All results will be featured in future issue

More Parade, Reunion Shots This Page



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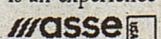
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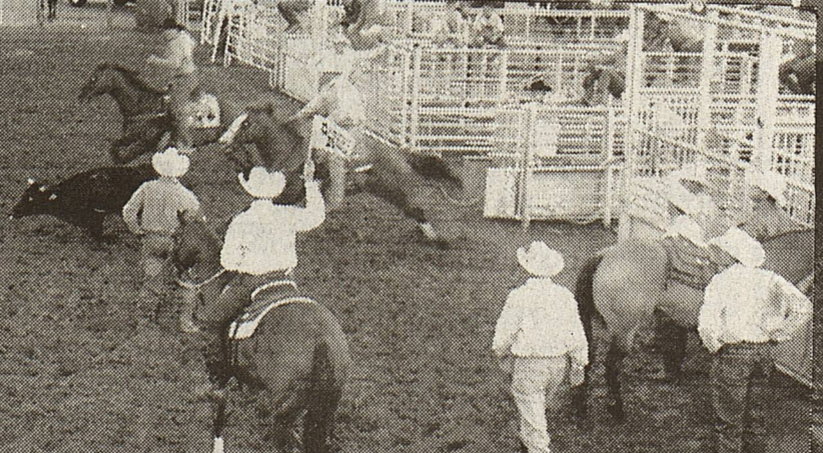
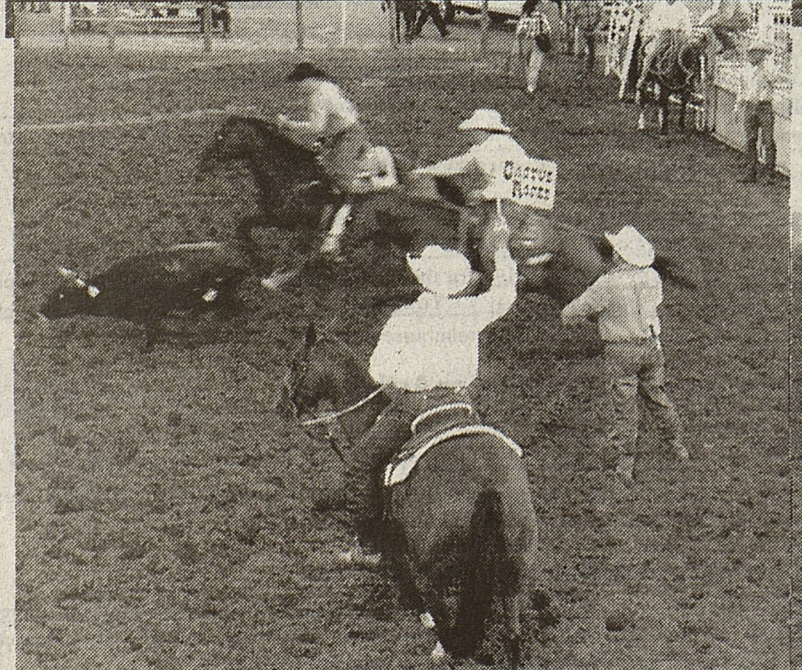
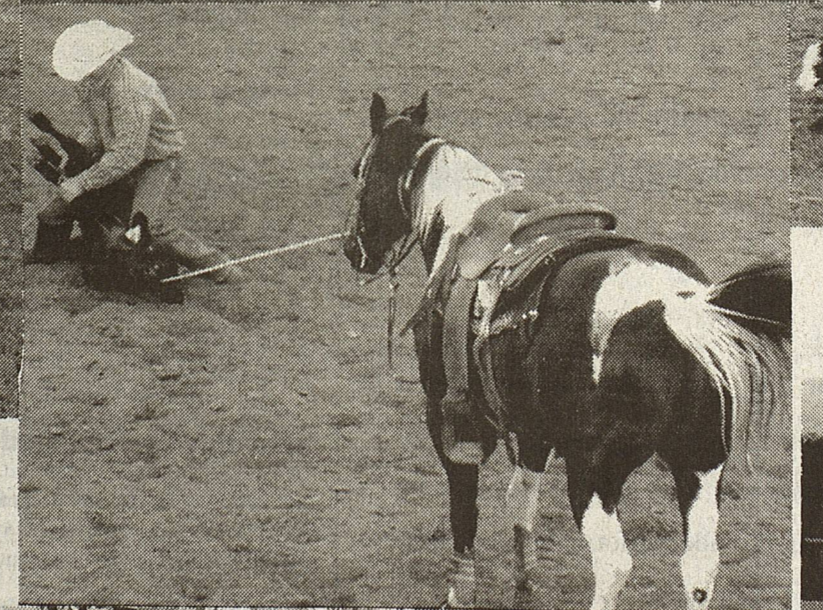
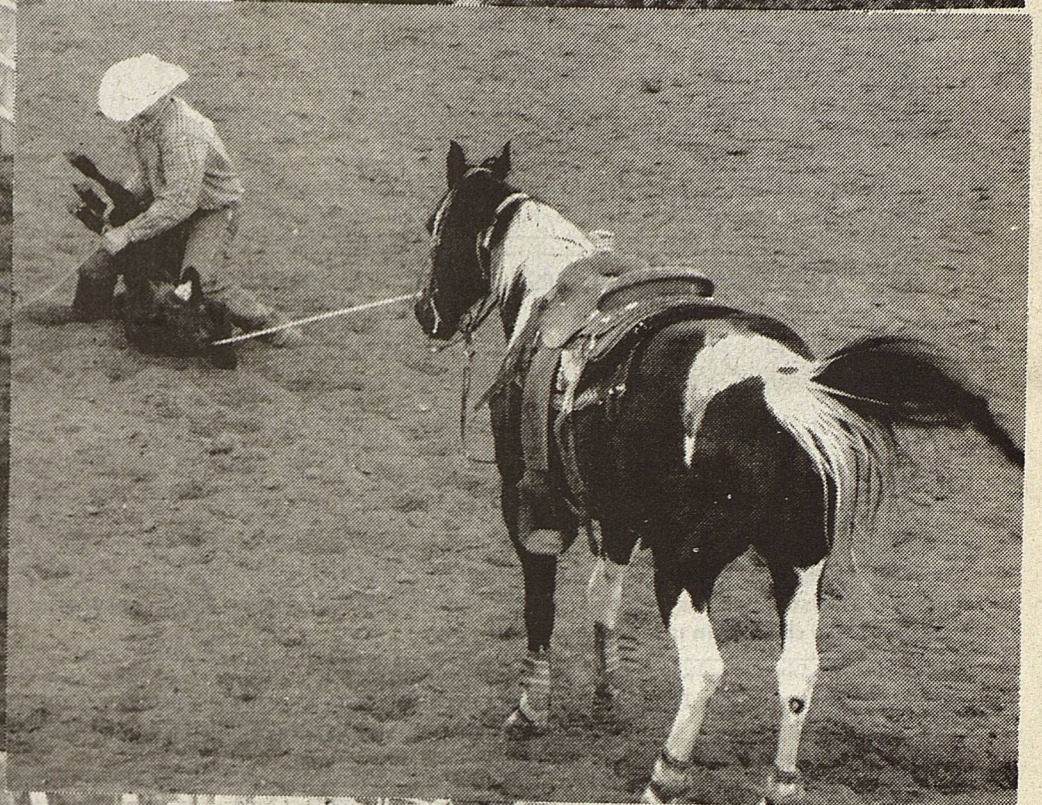
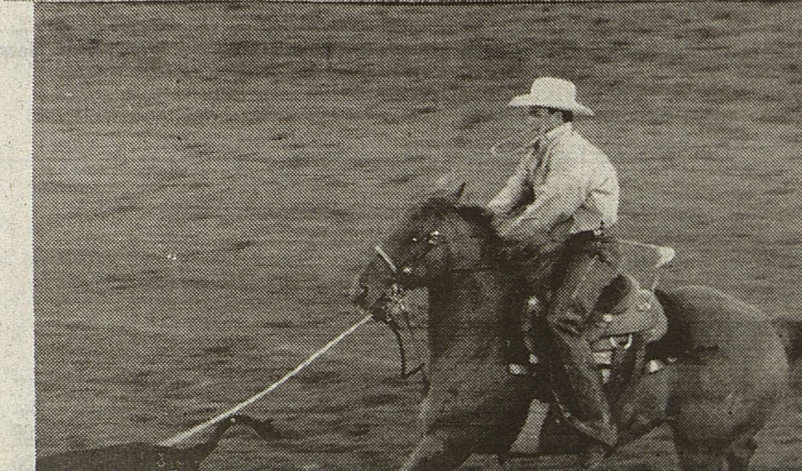
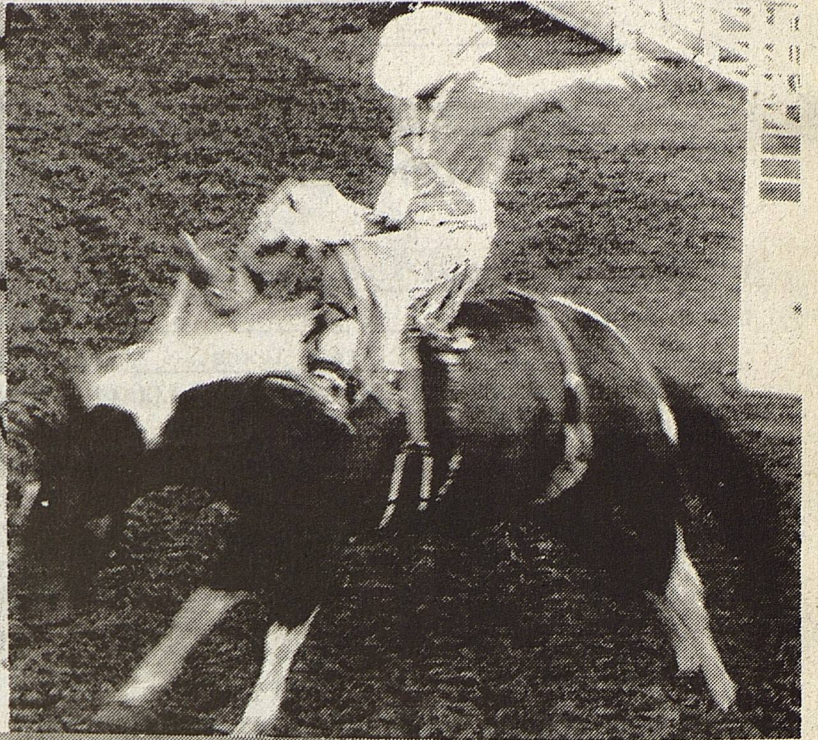
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Plains Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 7:30am on August 19, 2005 in Administrative Building

1000 Tenth Street, Plains, Texas. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

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

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates. Table with columns: Maintenance & Operations, Interest & Sinking Fund*, Total, Local Revenue Per Student, State Revenue Per Student. Rows: Last Year's Rate, Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service, Proposed Rate.

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

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence. Table with columns: Last Year, This Year. Rows: Average Market Value of Residences, Average Taxable Value of Residences, Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value, Taxes Due on Average Residence, Increase (Decrease) in Taxes.

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

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.3350. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.3350.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment: Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s) \$ 1,550,000; Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s) \$ 0.

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

Last year, the Yoakum County property tax rate was \$.50529. That rate raised \$ 9,698,438, a portion of which was used to fund operations such as:

Yoakum County Hospital

This year, Yoakum County is proposing a property tax rate of \$.40720. That rate would raise \$ 10,334,451, which is \$ 646,013 more than taxes imposed last year.

There will be two public hearings to consider that increase. The first public hearing will be held on August 19th at 5:00 p.m. The second hearing will be held on August 22nd at 1:30.

Criminal Justice Mandate:

The Yoakum County Auditor certifies that Yoakum County has spent \$ 44,512 in the previous 12 months beginning August, 2004 for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Yoakum County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

Enhanced Indigent Health Care Expenditures:

The [blank] spent \$ [blank] from [blank] to [blank] on enhanced indigent health care at the increased minimum eligibility standards, less the amount of state assistance. For the current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures is [blank].

You have a right to attend the hearings and make comments. You are encouraged to attend and make comments if you wish.

50-211 (Rev. 07-05/7)

Property Tax Rates in

This notice concerns 2005 property tax rates for Yoakum County. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate table with columns: General Fund, Farm to Market/ Flood Control Fund, Special Road/ Bridge Fund. Rows: Last year's operating taxes, Last year's debt taxes, Last year's total taxes, Last year's tax base, Last year's total tax rate.

This year's effective tax rate table with columns: General Fund, Farm to Market/ Flood Control Fund, Special Road/ Bridge Fund. Rows: Last year's adjusted taxes, This year's adjusted tax base, This year's effective tax rate for each fund, Total effective tax rate.

In the first year a county collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, it must insert the following lines unless its first adjustment was made last year:

Table with columns: Line item, Rate. Rows: Sales tax adjustment rate, Effective tax rate.

This year's rollback tax rate:

Table with columns: Line item, Rate. Rows: Last year's adjusted operating taxes, This year's adjusted tax base, This year's effective rate, x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate, This year's debt rate, This year's rollback rate for each fund, This year's total rollback rate.

A county that collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, including one that collects the tax for the first time this year, must insert the following lines:

Table with columns: Line item, Rate. Rows: Sales tax adjustment rate, Rollback tax rate.

For a county with additional rollback rate for pollution control, insert the following lines:

Table with columns: Line item, Rate. Rows: Additional rollback rate for pollution control, Rollback tax rate.

50-178 (Rev. 07-05/1)

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If Yoakum County adopts a 2005 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$.36476 per \$100 of value, taxes would decrease compared to 2004 taxes by \$ 164,000.

Schedule A - Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Table with columns: Type of Property Tax Fund, Perm. Improve. Balance, General, R&B Prec., Jury. Rows: Perm. Improve. Balance \$150,000, General \$1,922,265, R&B Prec. \$1,928,188, Jury \$111,438.

Schedule B - 2005 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Table with columns: Description of Debt, Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes, Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes, Other Amounts to be Paid, Total Payment. Rows: Description of Debt, Total required for 2005 debt service, Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A, Amount (if any) paid from other resources, Excess collections last year, Total to be paid from taxes in 2005, Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 100% of its taxes in 2005, Total Debt Levy.

Schedule C - Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax

(For hospital districts, cities and counties with additional sales tax to reduce property taxes) In calculating its effective and rollback tax rates, the unit estimated that it will receive \$ [blank] in additional sales and use tax revenues. For County: The county has excluded any amount that is or will be distributed for economic development grants from this amount of expected sales tax revenue.

Schedule D - State Criminal Justice Mandate (For Counties)

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Schedule E - Transfer of Department, Function or Activity

The [blank] spent \$ [blank] from [blank] to [blank] on the [blank]. The [blank] operates this function in all or a majority of the [blank]. (Second Year of Transfer Modify schedule to show comparison of amount this year and preceding year by unit receiving the function.)

Schedule F - Enhanced Indigent Health Care Expenditures

The [blank] spent \$ [blank] from [blank] to [blank] on enhanced indigent health care at the increased minimum eligibility standards, less the amount of state assistance. For the current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures is \$ [blank].

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at [blank]. Name of person preparing this notice [blank]. Title [blank]. Date prepared [blank].

Lifelines & Styles

Seniors Corner

August birthday time on Monday saw balloons flying from the chairs of Lois Aulds, Georgia Hubbard, Sandra Wells, Ed Hicks, Harold Brown and Denman Pate. They gathered for the usual group photo which was followed by those celebrating a wedding anniversary. Hoot and Mary Gibson stood to be recognized and photographed for this honor.

Hoot and Mary were accompanied by their son Mark and his sons, Thomas, Tyler and Dallas Gibson, who came to help them celebrate this special time. Denman Pate was accompanied by his daughter, Konia and granddaughter, K'Lynn, who came to share his birthday luncheon.

Other visitors this week included Joan Breith, who came as a guest of Barbara Qualls, and Lavon Davis. Welcome to each of these people.

When I mentioned to a friend I had nothing in mind for this column this week, he suggested I write about the weather which reminded me of the little boy who was told to write a composition with the suggested theme of baseball. He chewed reluctantly on his pen awhile until his countenance was illuminated by a great inspiration. Turning to the sheet before him he wrote: "Rain - No Game."

We are all happy to see Dick Stafford back with us at lunch time. We miss anyone who is part of our Senior Center family when they are not present.

As I walked past the ceramic room today and witnessed the activity going on in there, I was reminded again of how fortunate we are to have these ladies who labor so thanklessly in every area of the Center to make it more attractive and comfortable for each of us. Melba Gayle, Dorothy Anderson, Claudia Ferguson, Chic Coats, Elsie White and Moray Clark deserve our sincere and continued appreciation. Let's not miss a chance to tell them so!

I am told a hearty laugh is good for the soul, so enjoy with me these unintentional tidbits from some newspapers around the country. I especially enjoy this type of humor because I constantly fight supplying material for those who collect this stuff. 1. The accident occurred at Hillcrest Dr. and Santa Barbara Ave. as the dead man was crossing the intersection. 2. Dr. Benjamin Porter visited the school yesterday and lectured on 'Destructive Pests'. A large number were present. 3. The Attorney General's office said yesterday the autopsy performed on the headless man failed to determine the cause of death. 4. Hear Paul Lucas.... the complete dope on the weather. 5. The bride was wearing an old lace gown that fell to the floor as she came down the aisle. 6. The sewer expansion project is nearing completion, but officials are holding their breath until it is officially finished. 7. The ladies of the county medical society auxiliary plan to publish a cook book. The money will go to purchase a stomach pump. 8. The ball struck him on the right temple and knocked him cold. He was taken to the hospital where X-rays of his head showed nothing.

Thought For Today: 'Don't waste your time frowning. You never know who is falling in love with your smile.'

Thank You!

We wish to thank each and every one for the many kindnesses shown during the loss of our loved one. It is comforting to be a part of a loving and caring community when such loss occurs.

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The Plains Rodeo Association - Lions Club, Roping Club and Chamber of Commerce - wish to thank each and every person playing a role in staging another successful Rodeo & Reunion. It becomes much more difficult each year, and only the selfless volunteer spirit of the members of the Association - and generous contributions of time, effort and money allow this tradition to continue.
THANK YOU ALL!



Skylar Keese, second from left, last year's Rodeo Queen, crowned the 2005-06 Queen Skye Sellers, wearing hat, during the final Saturday performance of this year's rodeo. Skye sold the most tickets in the raffle for cash or a custom made saddle. She was the Yoakum County Roping Club candidate. Callie Howell on her left, representing the Plains Lions Club, was second in sales, followed by Desiraye Broome, on left, the Lions Club candidate. The girls hard work raising money for the rodeo and reunion make the annual event possible, and the entire county appreciates them.

Historical Commission meets, plans made for county 100th birthday

Yoakum County Historical Commission met in Denver City August 1 with Commission Chair Mary Jo St. Romain presiding. She has served in the office over 40 years, and was instrumental in the creation of the county history book, *From Sod To 1986 - Yoakum County*.

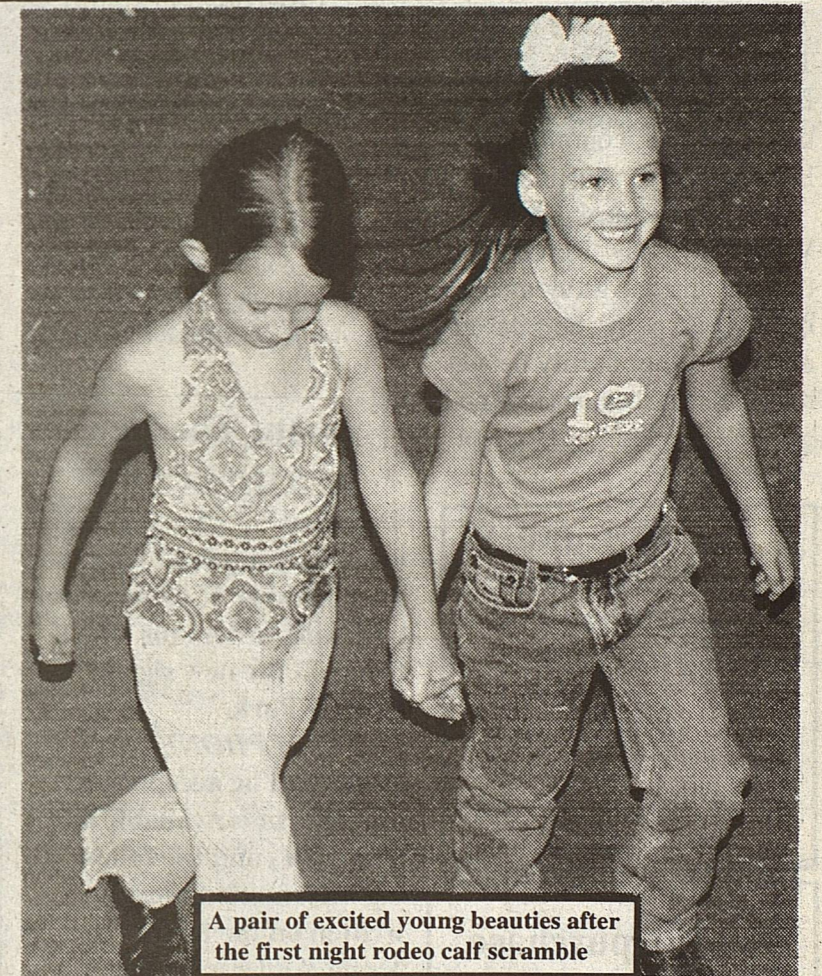
Many plans are being made to commemorate the county's official 100th birthday, September 21, 2007. Connie Webb of Denver City, scriptwriter for the county centennial stage play, reported the historical background for the play is about one-third complete.

The county now has a website, created by Shirley and Jim Webb. The site contains extensive historical information, and photos of markers in the Plains and Denver City cemeteries. The

web address is -

www.rootsweb.com/txyoakum/
New Commission officers were elected at the meeting, including Linda Grau Powell, Chair, Edith Kidd, Vice-Chair, Grace New, Secretary, Brenda Canada, Treasurer, and Sheila Stephens, Reporter.

The Historical Commission meets every other month, and next meeting will be October 3, 7 PM at the Plains County Library. Any citizens or civic group interested in participating in the 100th anniversary celebration are urged to attend the next meeting. It was announced the Tsa Mo Ga Club is preparing a cookbook, and its sale funds will be used for placing a gazebo in Pioneer Plaza. A Cancer Fund Raising event will be held September 12 at the home of Ann and Jerry Hartman south of Plains.



A pair of excited young beauties after the first night rodeo calf scramble

Four County Shared Services

The Four County Shared Services Arrangement provides special education services for students from birth to age 22 who live in Brownfield, Denver City, Loop, New Home, O'Donnell, Plains, Seagraves, Tahoka and Wellman-Union school districts.

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"Its hard to stop a TRANE"

From The Hack

It's with a great sense of relief that I peck this stuff out. Minutes ago I watched our space shuttle Discovery return to earth with a picture perfect landing at Edwards AFB in California. I confess to a great deal of suspense as I watched the last 30 or so minutes of the drama play out on TV. I suspect I am just one of millions of our people who watched in horror some two years ago when the shuttle Columbia blazed across the skies of our state, breaking up and scattering that crew of brave people to their terrible fate. I feel certain each member of today's Discovery crew also witnessed that tragedy. I marvel at how today's Discovery crew could watch their counterparts being burned and torn apart back then, and continue to train for the mission they completed today. Their bravery and dedication is amazing.

I had time to glance through Today's Lubbock A-J. The front page featured a brief article about the continuing political fiasco in Austin. Poor House Speak Craddick. When his fellow Representatives declined to go along with his dog and pony show, he announced rather huffily he was ready to stop the nonsense and go home, declaring to continue

the session was a waste of time and money. Poor baby. Like, cry baby.

Now, a REAL House Speaker was old Sam Rayburn, Speaker of the U.S. House and a native Texan. I read sometime back Sam, who was bald as a pool cue ball, once had his naked pate rubbed by a playful fellow House member, who playfully said to Sam, "My, that feels just like my wife's bottom!" Sam reached up and stroked his naked scalp, and replied, "You know, it sure does!"

I almost wish I hadn't started on this political stuff. I am now reminded of a story I read about one of my favorite politicians, regardless of her political party - our ex-governor, Ann Richards; "I ran against the incumbent for Travis County Commissioner. It was a hard fought race, and when I won, the men on the road and bridge crew were fearful I was going to fire all of them since they'd heard I was a real Dragon Lady. Of course, I had no intention of firing a good crew, and as soon as I took office I decided to go out to the precinct barn and re-assure all of them. I was greeted, if that is the word, by a sullen and very quiet group of men - and one mangy, beaten down dog. We went into the barn, but I couldn't get the men to say very much. Finally, to break the ice, I asked them, "What's the dog's name?" There were moments of silence, but finally from the back of the room someone called out, "You're gonna find out sooner or later. Her name's Ann Richards."

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But then a young man up front quickly responded, "But we call her Miss Ann!" We didn't have any problems after that!

From the e-mail buddy;

"Wal-Mart announced they will soon offer customers a new discount item - their own brand of wine. The world's largest retail chain is teaming up with E&J Gallo of California to produce the spirits at an affordable price, the \$2 to \$5 range. Connoisseurs may not be inclined to toss a bottle of Wal-Mart brand in their carts, but "there is a market for cheap wine, but choosing the right name is very important in its marketing," said Kathy Micken, marketing professor. Customer surveys were conducted searching for the most attractive name for the Wal-Mart brand. In order of popularity the choices were: 10 - Chateau Trailer Parc. 9 - White Trashfindel. 8 - Big Red Gulp. 7 - World Championship Riesling. 6 - NASCARNernnet. 5 - Chef Boyardeaux. 4 - Peanut Noir. 3 - I Can't Believe It's Not Vinegar! 2 - Grape Expectations. and the number one suggestion was 1 - Nasti Spumante.

The real beauty of Wal-Mart wine is it can be served with either white meat (Possum) or red meat (Squirrel).

For me, I was partial to 9 and 3.

JP Court Summary

The following is a summary of cases filed and bonds set in Justice of Peace Court the week of Oct. 1, Judge Melba Crutcher presiding.
Cases filed - 41 traffic, one public intoxication
Bonds set;
Possession of controlled substance- \$5000
Two possession of marijuana- \$500
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PLAINS VARSITY FOOTBALL 2005

Hale Center/ Lubbock Chris (Scrim)	Lubbock Christian	August 13	10:00 am
Smyer (Scrim)	Smyer	August 18 (Thurs)	6:00
Farwell	Plains	August 26	8:00
Lorenzo	Lorenzo	September 2	7:30
*Sudan	Plains	September 9	8:00
Open		September 16	
Dimmit	Dimmitt	September 23	7:30
Wink	Wink	September 30	7:30
Open		October 7	
Sundown	Sundown	October 14	7:30
Morton	Plains	October 21	7:30
**Seagraves	Plains	October 28	7:30
O'Donnell	O'Donnell	November 4	7:30

Plains Cowgirls Volleyball 2005

Date	Opponent	Site	Time	Teams
Aug. 6	Scrimmage Denver City	Denver City	1:00	JV, V
9	Brownfield	Brownfield	5:00	JV, V
12-13	Denver City Tournament	DC/Plains	TBA	V
13	Midland Christian	MCHS	11:00	JV
16	Lubbock Christian	LCHS	5:30	JV, V
20	Estacado	Plains	10:00	JV, V
23				
26-27	Frenship Tournament	Frenship	TBA	V
30	Lubbock Christian / Brownfield	Plains	4:30	JV, V
Sep. 2-3	Bronte Tournament	Bronte	TBA	V
6	Snyder	Plains	5:00	JV, V
9-10	Lamesa JV Tournament	Lamesa	TBA	JV
10	Levelland	Levelland	11:00	V
13	Denver City	Denver City	5:30	JV, V
17	Levelland / Snyder	Snyder	10:00	V
17	Denver City JV Tournament	Denver City	TBA	JV
20	Dimmitt	Plains	5:30	JV, V
24	Snyder	Snyder	10:00	JV, V
27	Colorado City	Plains	5:00	JV, V
Oct. 1	Shallowater	Shallowater	10:00	JV, V
6 (Thu)	Midland Christian	Plains	5:30	JV, V
8				
11			5:30	V
15				
18	Denver City	Plains	5:00	JV, V
22				
25	Playoff Warm-up	TBA		
29	Playoff Warm-up	TBA		
Nov. 3-5	Bi-District Area	TBA		
7-8	Regional Tournament	Lubbock		
11-12	State Tournament	San Marcos		

Plains Junior High Volleyball 2005

Date	Opponent	Site	Time	Teams
Aug. 29	Tatum	Plains	5:30(CST)	7, 8
Sept. 8	LCJHS	Plains	5:00	7, 8
10	Brownfield Tournament	Brownfield	TBA	7, 8
12	Seminole	Seminole		7, 8
19	Denver City	Denver City	5:00	7, 8
26			4:30	7, 8
Oct. 1	Denver City Tournament	Denver City	TBA	7, 8
3	Tatum	Tatum	5:30(CST)	7, 8
10	Denver City	Plains	5:00	7, 8
17	Brownfield	Brownfield	5:00	7, 8
24			5:00	7, 8

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