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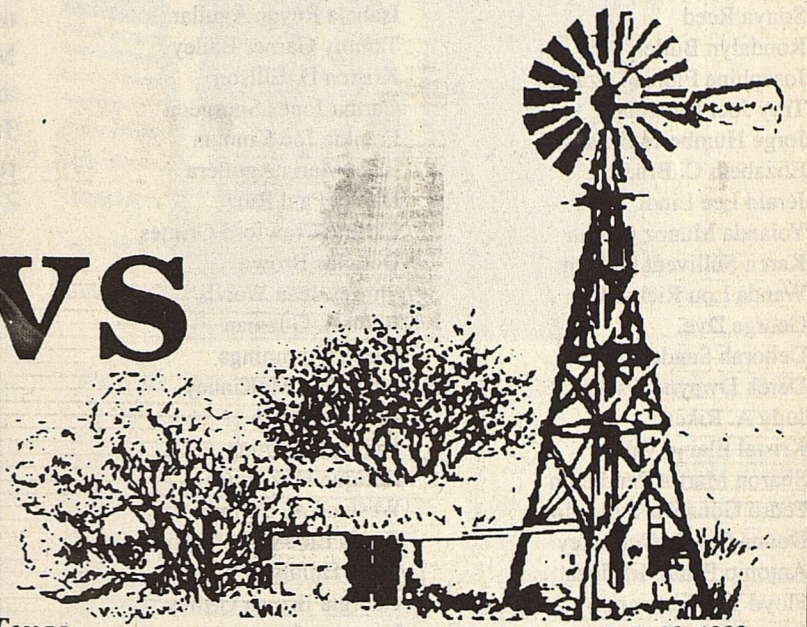
## Special Pre Rodeo and Old Settlers Reunion Issue



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### Annual JAMAICA draws huge crowd Sacred Heart Catholic Church fund raiser fills Stanford Park

Stanford Park was already a busy scene early Sunday morning, with dozens of exhibitors, food vendors, and game booths going in place for Sacred Heart Church's annual Jamaica event. By noon, the place was beginning to swarm with activity. At 5 p.m. that afternoon, the park looked like a huge traffic jam of people rather than vehicles. With no admittance tickets, people going and coming all day, a crowd count was impossible, but many workers said there were probably well over a thousand, possibly two thousand attending the fun event. For more photos of this year's Jamaica, see Page Four.



What do friends do when you're hot and tired? You find a handy booth and enjoy a cold drink and conversation, as are, L-R, Jacob Gonzales, Micah St. Romain, and Ashton McGinty.

### Three new teachers on board at PISD

There will be three new faces among the instructor ranks at Plains Independent School District when school starts here August 13. Superintendent Jim Haynes told CCN he is "extremely pleased to be able to add the names of three qualified and motivated newcomers to the district's staff of teachers."

Glenn Kostedt has been hired to teach science to 7th and 8th graders in Plains Middle School. Kostedt come here

from his last assignment as a science teacher for three years at Marshall Junior High in Clovis, New Mexico. Other teaching experience includes stints at Dexter and Floyd, New Mexico schools for three years. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Education from Eastern New Mexico in Portales, and plans to continue work on his Master's degree.

He and his wife Ruth have  
**Turn To Page 2, "Teachers"**

### 46th Annual Rodeo and Old Settlers Reunion August 5, 6 and 7

\*We are announcing the Rodeo and Reunion a week early so our many out of town readers will be aware of all the events.

Dozens of volunteers are hard at work with last minute preparations for this year's big and always fun Rodeo and Reunion.

The Rodeo, with stock furnished by T-N-T Rodeo Company of Anson, kicks off at 8 pm. Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings. Admission is \$5.00 for Adults, and \$3.00 for children ages 5 to 11. Rodeo Queen contestants Kimbe Jones, Plains Roping Club, Erica Bell, Plains Lions Club, and Dawn Garland, Plains Chamber of Commerce, are all hard at work selling \$1.00 tickets for the Saturday night drawing for a custom made saddle.

There will be a Western Dance Friday and Saturday nights following the Rodeo, with music by the Black Gold Band.

In conjunction with the Rodeo and Reunion, the Yoakum County Art Association will hold its Annual show and sale the same days of the Rodeo. A parade down Cowboy Way at 10 am. will start the final day, with the Reunion following in Stanford Park at noon Saturday.

Neal Bearden will be in charge



Roping Club members Tanner Blount and Kirk Parrish in Team Roping competition. One of the events this year is Membership Team Roping.

of the huge barbecue effort this year. Asked how he was so lucky to draw the tough assignment, Bearden laughed and said, "I guess I was in the wrong place at the right time." He is busy recruiting other volunteer cooks and helpers.

Bearden and crew will slow smoke around 1,000 pounds of brisket and lots of smoked sausage starting Friday evening. Last year seven very large

cookers were used to prepare the meal for almost 1,000 Reunion fans. Beans, potato salad, cobbles and iced tea or coffee will compliment the barbecue. Adult tickets for the big feed will be \$6.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children under 12, and your ticket stub will give you free admission to the Saturday night final Rodeo performance.

The Plains Lions Club will

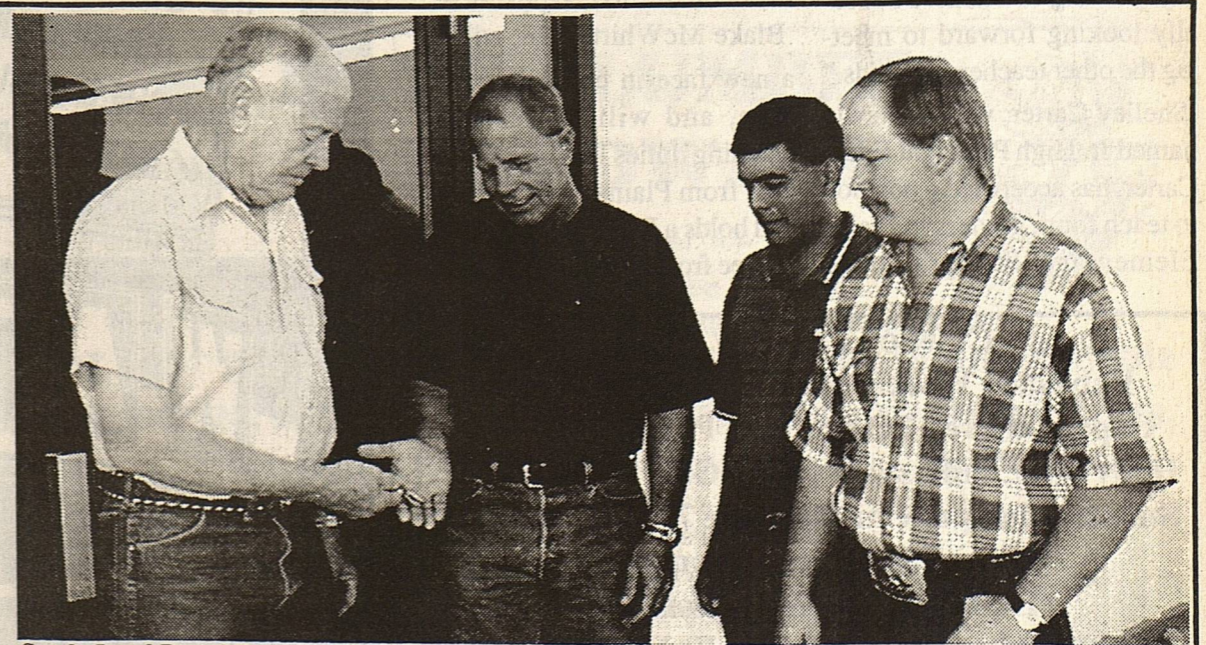
again handle vehicle parking each night of the Rodeo, and will operate the busy concession stand. Hershel Smith has volunteered to again cook hamburgers each night of the Rodeo.

The Lions, Chamber of Commerce and Roping Club urge you to call your friends and relatives to join you for the annual event!

### Boll weevil staff moving in new building

This Monday, Officials of the district and zone Boll Weevil Eradication Program accepted keys to the new Sandy Land Water District building at the airport here. The eradication district personnel are expected to move into the new building this week.

Zone Manager Darrel Dusek expressed his appreciation to Sandy Land for their hard work and commitment to the eradication program



Sandy Land Board President David Turnbough presents keys to building to Joe Barnes, District Manager. Mike Hester, Asst. Zone Mgr., and Darrell Dusek, Zone Mgr. are also shown in photo.

### Jury Selection list for the 121st District Court on August 3, 1999 at 9:00 a.m.

A jury selection will be held for the 121st District Court on August 3, 1999 at 9:00 a.m. at the Yoakum County Courthouse in Plains, Texas. The following citizens are asked to appear:

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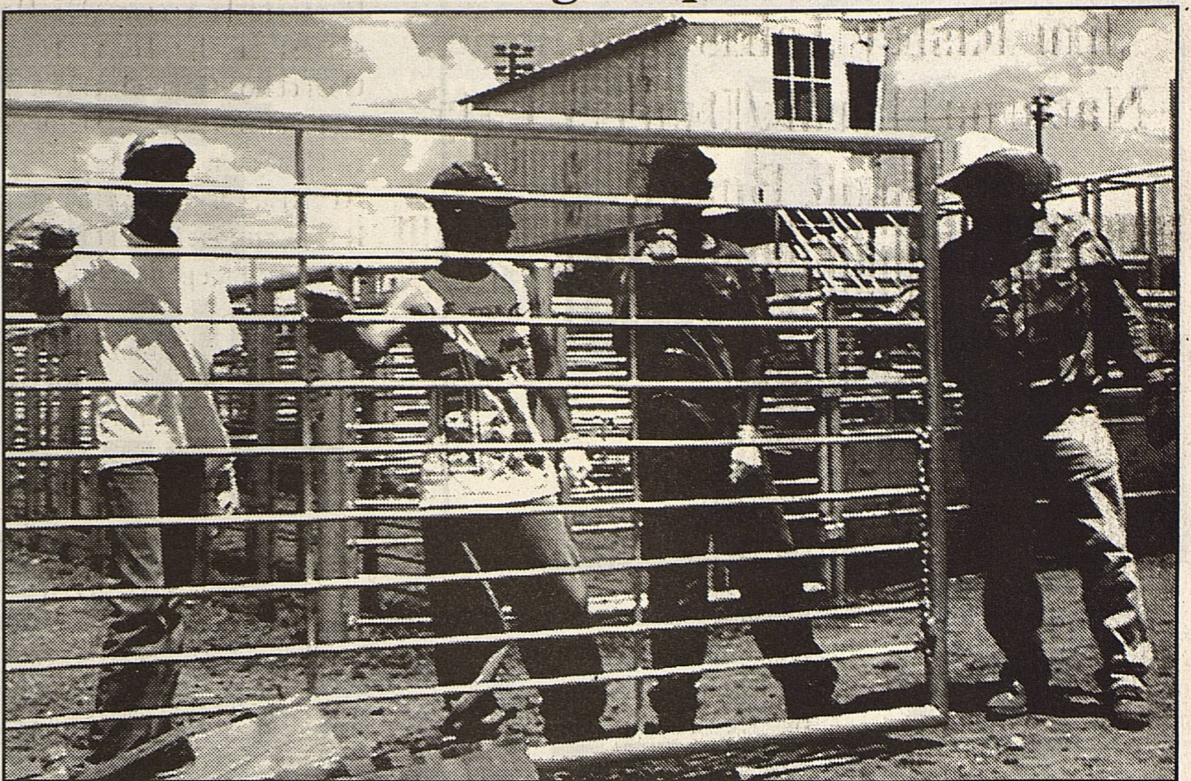
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majoring in PE, with a minor in history. He and wife Amber have a young son, Payton. He will be the fourth McWhirter to teach in the District, following in footsteps of parents Macky and Connie & brother Brad, a Spanish instructor in PHS. He comes here with five years experience in the Sundown ISD as teacher and coach. Leah Gilbreath will assume biology classes in PHS this fall term. She graduated from Denver City High in 1987, and has a Bachelor of Science degree, with a biology major and accounting minor, from UT at the Permian Basin. She has prior teaching experience at Milam Magnet Elementary in Odessa, and two years at Denver City Junior High as a science teacher.

### Rodeo arena gets spruced up



Summer employees Jeremy Diamond, Chris Hansen, Albert Lopez, and Precint 4 employee Joe Martinez Jr. put fresh coat of paint on stock working pens for upcoming 46th Annual Rodeo.

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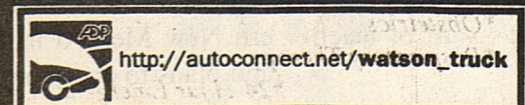
From Page 1, "Teachers" three children, Charity, 4, Scott, 2, and Hope, 8 months. Glenn told CCN he was very pleased with his assignment here. "We haven't moved here yet, but we've already met a number of people, and we feel we will enjoy living in Plains. I am really looking forward to meeting the other teachers and kids."

Blake McWhirter, 28, will be a new face in coaching ranks here, and will be assigned teaching duties later. He graduated from Plains High in 1989, and holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Howard Payne. He

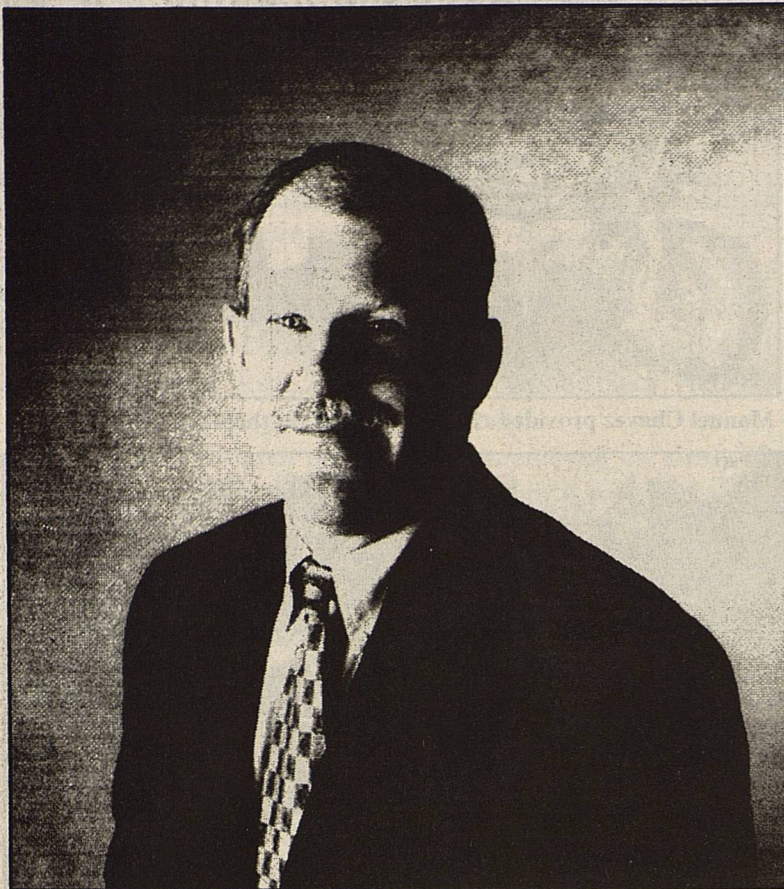
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## Jim Risley Joins Seminole National Bank/Denver City Bank Board



Seminole National Bank, Seminole, Texas, announced today the election of Jim Risley to its Board of Directors. Mr. Mark Mann, President of the bank stated, "We are pleased to have Mr. Risley join our board. He has been a respected leader in the Denver City area for many years. Mr. Risley brings to the board a wealth of experience gained in his successful business endeavors. Given that experience and insight into the local area and its economy, he

### J P Court

July 23, 1999 - the following is a summary of cases heard and bonds set in Justice of the Peace Court, Precinct One, with Judge Melba Crutcher presiding.  
 Cases filed: 114 traffic cases, 3 felony cases, 1 County Court case, 1 Class C misdemeanor, 1 Interlock Device bond hearing.  
 Bonds set: Driving while intoxicated - \$1,000 bond. Parole violation - no bond. 2 cases - bond forfeiture - \$1,000 cash bond. Theft - \$800 cash bond. 3 cases - motion to revoke probation, held until hearing. Theft by check - \$800 bond. 2 cases - bail jumping - \$2,000 bond. Purchase or furnished alcohol to a minor - \$500 bond. Engaging in Criminal activity - \$3,000 bond. Burglary of a building - \$3,000 bond. Murder intends serious bodily injury - \$25,000 bond. 2 cases - Assault-Family violence - \$1,500 bond. Contempt of Court-Child support - \$10,000 cash bond. Failure to give notice in striking highway fixture - \$500 bond.

Farmer of the Year in 1998. He serves on the Texas Tech Chancellor Council, and is a member of the First Methodist Church in Denver City. Mr. Risley is married to Linda Risley, an educator in the Denver City Independent School System. He has two children, Amy Risley, a junior at Texas Tech University, and Alison Risley, a junior at Denver City High School.

### Students converge in Washington, DC for annual Youth Tour

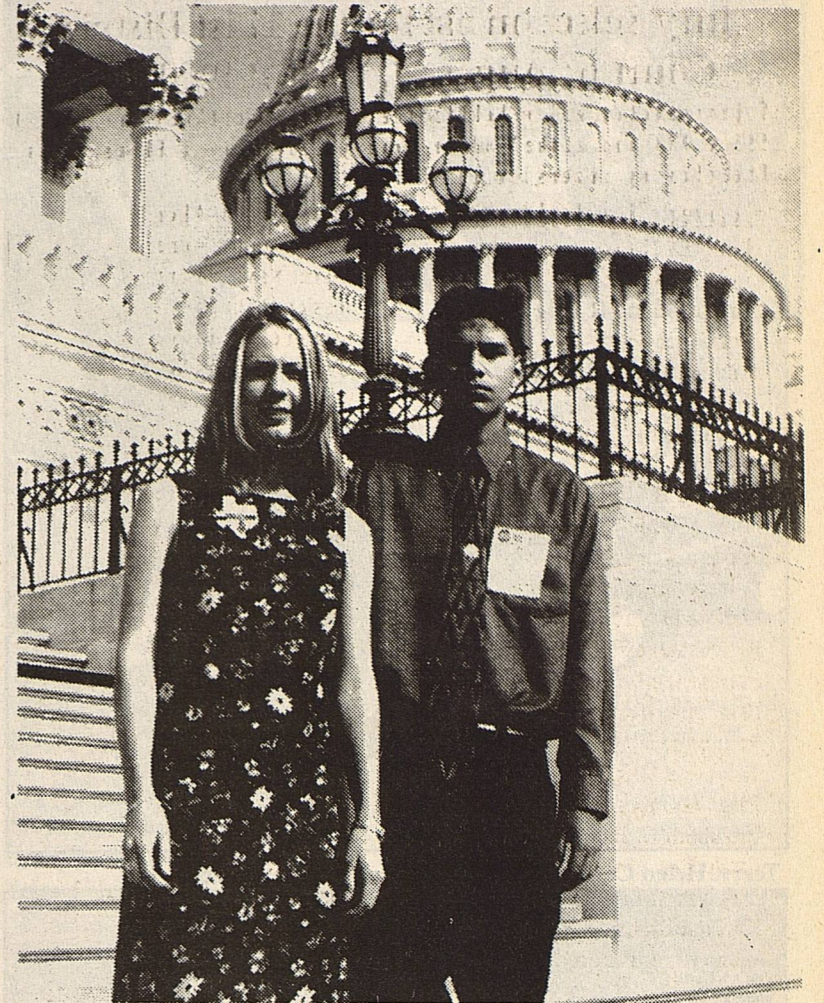
Over 1400 students from across the U.S. converged in Washington, D.C. during June 17-29 to participate in the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association's (NRECA) Government-In-Action Youth Tour. Lisa Parrish and Franco Cuevas represented Lea County Electric Cooperative and joined approximately 120 other students from New Mexico and Texas as they traveled via bus from Dallas to Arlington, Virginia. Parrish, 18, the daughter of Jerry and Jan Parish of Plains, Texas is a graduate of Plains High School and will attend Texas A&M this fall. Cuevas, 16, is the son of Martin and Maria Cuevas of Tatum and a senior at Tatum High School. Parrish and Cuevas, first and second place winners, respectively, were

chosen from among a field of four finalists after a round of interviews by a three judge independent panel earlier this year.

Cuevas says his experience in Washington D.C. was, "Great! I learned more about our government and got a better glimpse of our nation's history."

During the week long tour, Parrish and Cuevas had the opportunity to meet with New Mexico Representatives Joe Skeen, Tom Udall, and Heather Wilson. They also toured the Smithsonian Institution, Library of Congress and Supreme Court, as well as various historical sites including the Vietnam Memorial, Arlington National Cemetery and the National Cathedral.

While in Washington, Cuevas was selected by the Youth Tour organizers as the New Mexico representative to the 2nd Annual NRECA Youth Leadership Council to be held in Lincoln, Nebraska later this month. While in London, Franco will join approximately 40 other state represen-



Parrish (left) and Cuevas (right) are pictured standing in front of the Capital Building in Washington D.C.

tatives in attending numerous leadership training seminars and workshops. As a state delegate, Cuevas will also attend the NRECA Annual Meeting

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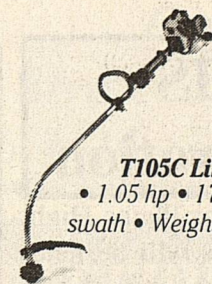
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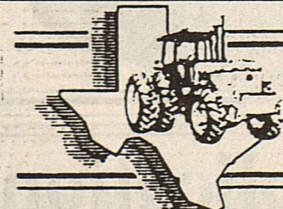
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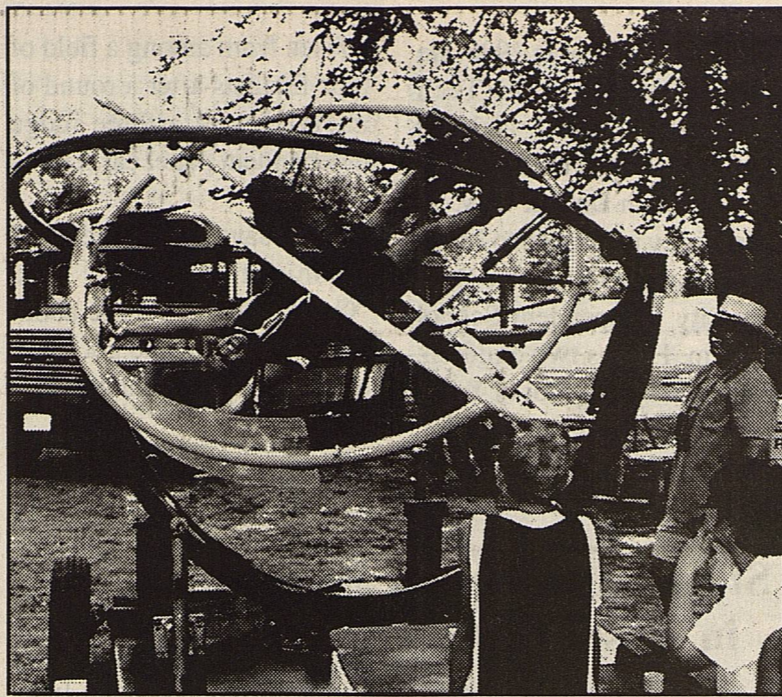
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**PHS Registration**

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The Pot Luck Supper and Music was enjoyed by about 30 people. It was a nice evening. Next month it will be Supper and Games.

Those having visitors this week were; Emma and Roy Ivey, Estelle Childers, Chris Humphery, Betty Boatman, and the Walter Gayle's

Several of our regulars are on vacation.

See you next week,  
Smitty

## From Cowboy



### Country Kitchen

#### Zucchini Bars

- |                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| 3 Eggs                  | 1 Teaspoon salt                           |
| 2/3 Cup vegetable oil   | 1/2 Teaspoon baking powder                |
| 2 Cups sugar            | 3/4 Cup chopped dates OR raisins          |
| 2 Teaspoons vanilla     | 2 Cups grated zucchini with peel, drained |
| 2-1/2 Cups flour        | 1/2 Cup chopped walnuts                   |
| 2 Teaspoons baking soda |   |

#### Icing:

- |  |                                |
|--|--------------------------------|
| 1 3-Ounce package cream cheese, softened | 1 Teaspoon vanilla             |
| 2-1/2 Cups confectioners' sugar          | 1 Tablespoon milk OR as needed |

Beat together eggs, vegetable oil, sugar and vanilla. Sift together flour, baking soda, salt and baking powder. Mix into egg mixture. Blend in dates or raisins, zucchini and nuts. Place onto greased and floured, 15 x 10 x 1-inch jelly roll pan. Bake at 350 about 30 minutes. **Icing:** Beat cream cheese until fluffy. Blend in sugar, vanilla and milk. Add a little more milk if necessary to reach spreading consistency. Spread over cooled bars.

**Remember to invite friends and family to the 46th Plains Old Settlers Reunion and Rodeo August 5, 6 and 7, 1999**

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Each VBS evening started with spirited music in the Sanctuary



The 'Cookie Cooker Brigade'; Bonnie Earnest, Karen Williams, Billie Howell, Paula Morrow, Julie Wright, Holly Dyer.

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*Family Night*

## Yoakum County Art Association Show and Sale

August 3 - August 7, 1999

**Judge:** Lois Lawrence of Ransom Canyon. Lois has her BA and Masters in Art.

**Judging:** Thursday August 5, 9:30 AM.

**Critique:** Thursday August 5, 1:00 PM.

**Open to public:** Thursday August 5, 2-4 PM., Friday August 6 10am-6pm, Saturday August 7 10am-4pm

**Entry Dates:** Tuesday August 3-10am-6pm, Entry fee is \$5.00 per entry for non-members, \$3.00 for members. No limit to number of entries and all artists are invited to enter.

**Eligibility:** Limited to those works not previously entered in Yoakum County Art Show competition. Crafts must be made in the last two years and made by the person entering them.

**Prizes:** First, second, and third, as well as Honorable Mention will be awarded. Ribbons in all categories. Cash awards will be given only in originals, photography, and crafts. They are \$100 Best in Show, \$25 for first place, \$15 for second place, \$10 for third place. Best in Photography will be \$50. Best in Crafts will be \$50. (If there are 30 entries in craft room) these will be presented Saturday August 7 at 3:45.

**Categories:** Originals, Photography, Copies, Graphics, Class work Copies, Class work Originals, and Crafts-wood-fiber-and other. Students-(no fee for students)

**Divisions:** Landscape, Still Life, Portraits, Wildlife, and Miniatures. Miniatures can be no larger than 5 X 7. Nothing larger than 30 X40.

**Salesroom:** For members only and must have at least one entry in competition. Each entry must have an entry form attached to each item, with a price, name or number, and also listed on the long entry form.

**Purchase Awards:** Selected Wednesday August 4 from 9:00am till 2:00 pm by local business and private patrons. Only authorized members allowed in the art building at this time and during judging.

**Door Prizes:** Drawing at 4:00 PM. on Saturday August 7. These will be paintings by members only, and can not be sold before the drawing. \$75 will be paid to the artist whose paintings are selected.

**Requirements:** YCAA will receive 15% of all sales. All paintings MUST be framed and be securely wired and ready for hanging. TCAA will not be responsible for putting paintings back together if they come apart. Please no sawtooth hangers and NO wet paint. YCAA reserves the right to consolidate divisions with less than five entries or to make new divisions with less than five entries or to make new divisions at the committee's discretion. YCAA will not be responsible for any loss or damage. All work submitted work signify and agreement by the artist to the above stated condition.

**Entries** May not be picked up until AFTER 4:00 pm Saturday August 7, no exceptions.

Contact show committee if you have any questions: Marlene Gibson 806-456-5335, Eileen Fillipp 806-456-6313, or Susie Powell 806-456-3411.

**Important Note:** No cash prizes will be awarded in a division with less than 10 entries.

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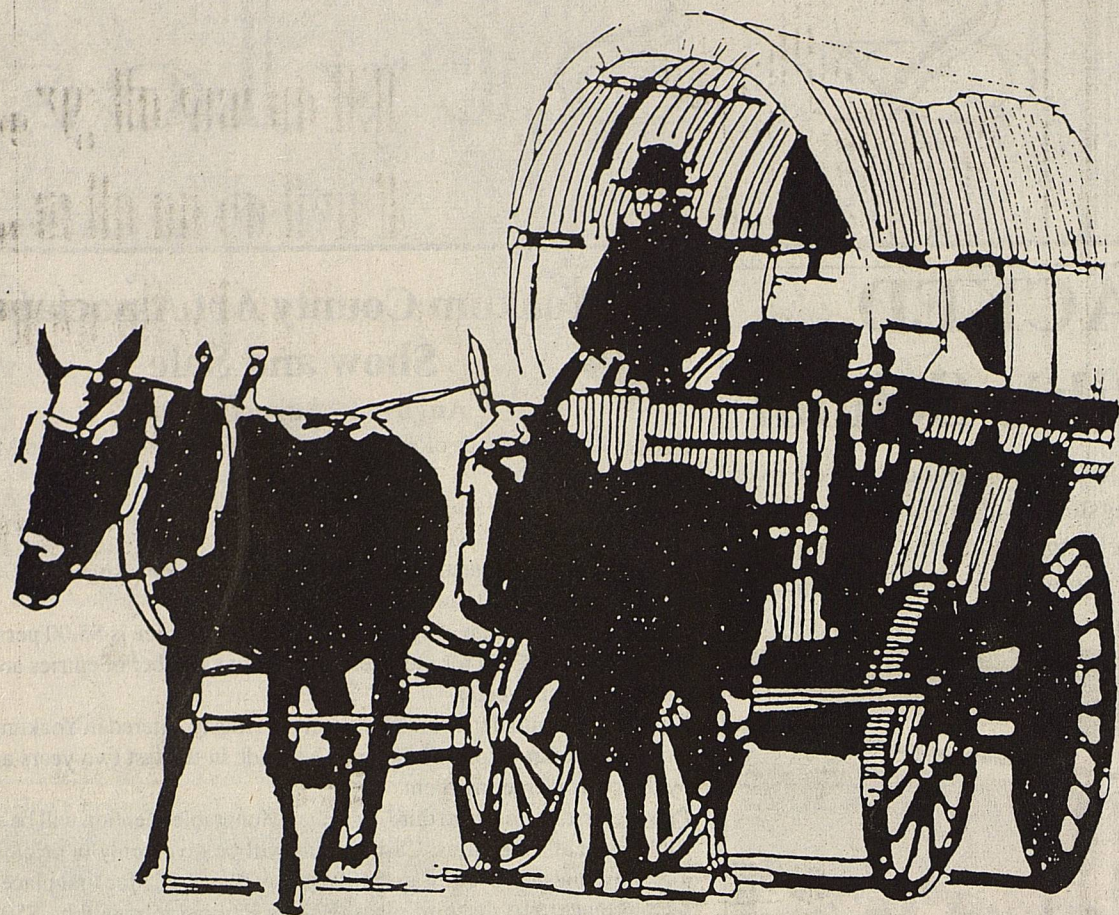
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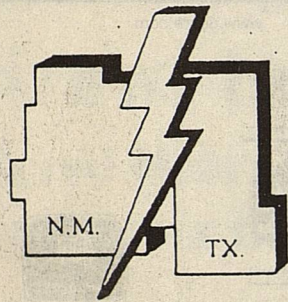
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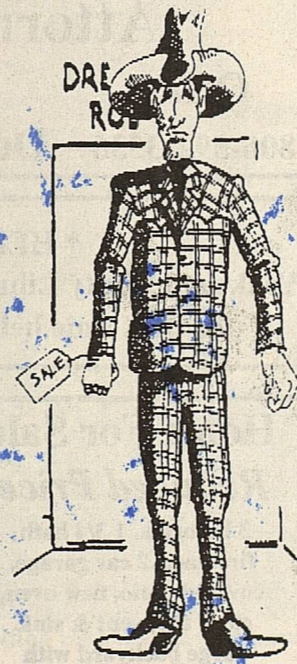


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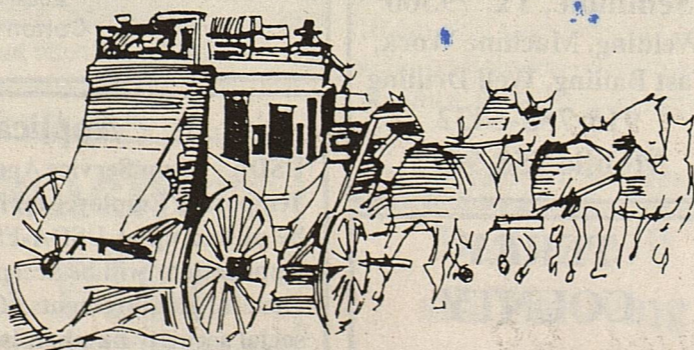
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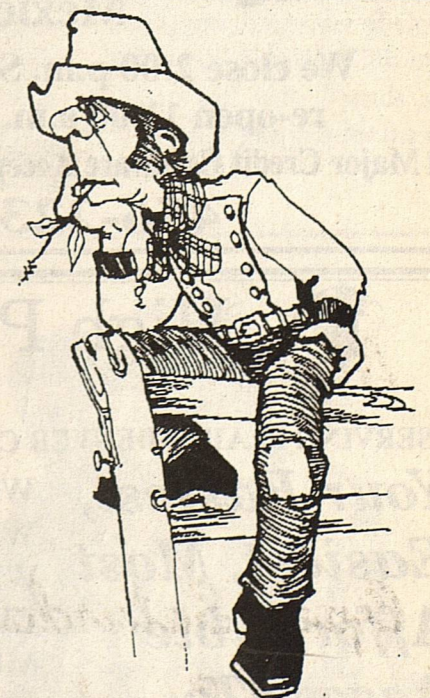
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**Cowboy Country News**

## From The Hack

In this column last week I poked a bit of fun at Lea County Electric for their lack of control of all sorts of varmints crawling into their highly charged systems, causing temporary power outages. I suggested they hire a varmint patrol officer to at least slow down these mini-disruptions of power.

The culprit varmint has surfaced again. It did not cause Lea County Electric problems, but it did local producer Buster Graham. In a recent round table discussion at the famed Table of Wisdom, Graham related this story; "One of my irrigation wells suddenly, drastically dropped off in water production. I thought I was losing a well, and had a crew come out and pull the entire system. I was afraid the pump had played out, or even worse, the well was going dry."

He said the crew pulled the whole thing, sent it off to the Seminole company, got a call from said company relating, "Mr. Graham, nothings wrong with your well, or pump. The lower boles of the pump have a large snake wrapped about it, restricting the water flow."

Graham told the Table avid listeners, "Dwayne Canada had earlier told me he'd experienced the same thing, a snake in the well. At the time, I thought, well, I'm listening to one of those dumb Aggie tales from a semi-literate Aggie. But when I took the pump to Seminole, the guys there said, hey, it's not so unusual. We have another pump in the shop right now with a nasty, chopped up Bull Snake wrapped on it."

Intrigued by all this, I asked Sandy Land Water District Consultant Gary Walker if he'd

ever heard of such. Another Texas Aggie, Walker said, "I've never heard of a snake stopping a well up, but back in the north part of the Panhandle a few years back, we had a well providing water to a residence. The people there kept complaining about the water taste and smell, and when we tested it, it kept turning up sub-standard for drinking purposes. They finally pulled the pump, and fairly well decomposed remains of a Bull Snake remains were discovered."

Walker let me pause a bit as I gagged. I tell you again, we need an expert county wide varmint control expert. I do not look forward to getting up at 2:15 AM to drink water tasting of snake dook.

Ever wonder where and why old sayings originated? Reader Steve Lackey solved the puzzle for several of the old saws; Life in the 1500's - Baths consisted of a big tub filled with hot water. The man of the house had first shot at the nice clean water, then the other males in the family, then the women, then children, finally babies. By then, the water was so filthy you could lose someone in it, thus the saying, "don't throw the baby out with the bath water."

Houses had roofs made of grass thatch, the only place for animals to get warm, so they nested in the roof. When it rained, the thatch got slick, and sometimes the dogs and cats would fall thru the roof, hence the saying, "It's raining cats and dogs." Floors in most houses were dirt. Only the wealthy had other kinds of floors, hence the phrase, "dirt poor".

Most people didn't have pewter plates. They used a piece of wood with the middle scooped out like a bowl, called a trencher. Trenchers were never washed, and often worms would get in the wood. After eating off wormy trenchers, they often got "trench mouth".

Bread was divided according to status. Workers got the burnt bottom, the family got the middle, and wealthy guests got the top, or "uppercrust". Sometimes a family could afford pork. When company came they would hang bacon to show off. It was a sign the family could really "bring home the bacon." Sometimes they would cut off a bit to share with guests, and all would sit around "chewing the fat."

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