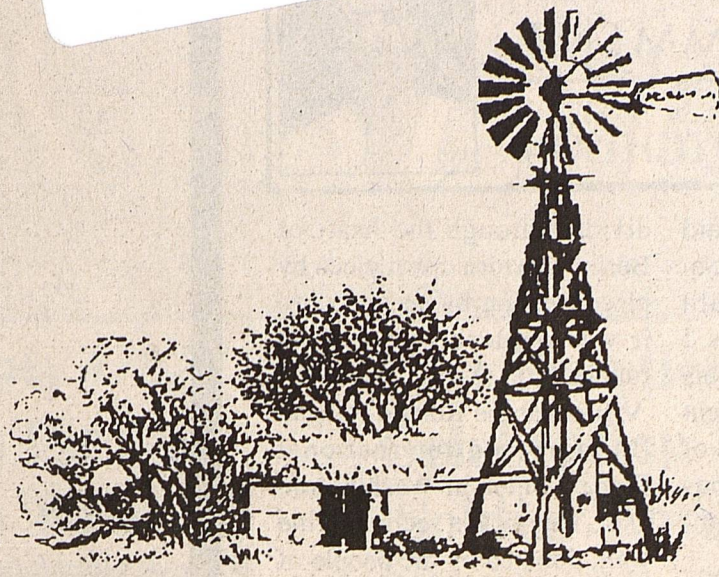


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## Lengthy agenda, but routine matters sail through Commissioners Court

Twenty items appeared on the agenda for the June 14 session of Commissioners Court, but were cleared in less than an hour. Teresa Howard, Human Resources Director, requested approval to use \$1712 from the equipment line item to purchase an office desk and chair from Frank McGlaun in Lubbock, to be delivered and installed at that price. The purchase was approved.

Commissioner Cobb described a proposed compensation package prepared by Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for the purchase of 207 acres land to be used in the construction of a new runway at the county airport. The expansion project had been approved by the court in an earlier session. The court approved TxDOT submission of the offer to landowners.

Permission for Versado Gas Processors to install and maintain a low-pressure natural gas pipeline across County Road 370 was approved.

A \$600 bid from Tom Durham for the purchase of surplus equipment from Precinct 2 including a 1968 6 X 6 truck and goose neck trailer was ac-

cepted.

Clay Taylor, Yoakum County Hospital Administrator, reviewed recently received bids on equipment for the labor and deliver room addition in the hospital expansion project. He said because of a large price difference between bidders Stryker Medical and Hill-Rom Co. he and an assistant had visited a hospital at Dalhart with recently purchased Stryker equipment. He told the court, "The equipment looked like it will serve our needs very well, and save a bit over \$20,000 on our budget, and this is what I am recommending we purchase." The court approved the request. Requests for bids on three equipment items for the new birthing room will be offered again.

Sheriff Don Corzine outlined recommendations for the updating and enhancement of the courthouse security system. A new, electronic paging system with up to ten points of call, or "call buttons" could be deployed throughout the courthouse in areas including the court room, judge's chambers, and in any of the offices, and could be used to alert officers

on duty, and the dispatcher office to call for assistance in emergencies. The paging system could be purchased and installed for \$7517. Judge Brewer told the court there had been numerous occasions when this type system could have been utilized. The request was approved.

Corzine also presented a request from South Plains Association of Governments for all SPAG communities and counties to adopt and publicly announce local Hazard Mitigation Action Plans. The Plan submitted by SPAG for the county's study covers 17 pages, and focuses on emergency issues including water quality and supply, agreements between emergency responders and hazmat teams, early warning for hazardous events, and enhanced emergency communications systems. Judge Brewer pointed out if a catastrophic event occurred in the county, and the county did not have a mitigation action plan approved and in place, the county would not be eligible for federal emergency funds. The public notice will be in place prior to the June 28 deadline.

## Popular Steer Roping, Art Exhibit Being Revived At OS Ranch

Jim Prather, founder and Chairman of the OS Ranch Steer Roping and Art Exhibit, has announced plans for a reunion of the event which ran for twelve years, from 1971 thru 1982. Prather said he has been pleasantly surprised by the enthusiastic reception he has received to hold the reunion.

The event will be held the first week-end in October, the same week-end as the original roping and art exhibit was held for so many years. Helping Prather plan the reunion are Mr. and Mrs. Giles McCrary, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Prather, and Mrs. Dave Gottshall.

"We want to have this reunion because so many of the folks who helped make it a success over the years are no longer with us. We want this opportunity to get together one more time for the fellowship, and to honor those who have gone on," Prather said.

A traditional Friday night party will kick off the week-end at the OS Ranch House, 14 miles southeast of Post. Several of the original artists

exhibiting in the very first art show held in 1972 will have art on display. An art show and sale, featuring many of the artists who participated in the OS event over the years, will be held Saturday and Sunday in the Post Art Center. A solemn and special Honorary Roll Call for those ropers, artists, workers and supporters now deceased will be held Sunday morning at the OS Ranch. Saturday afternoon will feature a Seniors Association Steer Roping in the Post Stampede Arena.

The planning committee is working on a scrapbook of pictures and stories covering the years the event took place. Advance orders for the scrapbook will be accepted and will be available for purchase the reunion week-end.

"Everyone who participated in the OS Ranch Steer Roping and Art Exhibit in any capacity is invited to come join us for the reunion. We want a chance to reminisce, swap stories and enjoy each others company one more time," Prather concluded.

## Mother Nature slows annual Fly-In

Early morning fog delayed the annual Fly-In at Denver City last Saturday morning. As the crowd gathered at the main hangar, a number of aircraft could be heard overhead, but it was impossible for them to see the runway in the surprise fog. It was almost 9 AM before the first aircraft was able to touch down. Officials later reported about 28 aircraft visited the airport for a great breakfast prepared by hard working volunteers, and to fill their planes with bargain price aviation fuel.



Neal Newsom arrived from Plains in his Gyro-copter... if that's the correct terminology



Aircraft began parking near the hangar where a free breakfast awaited

## Criminal cases heard in District Court

Six criminal cases were heard in the June 8 session of District Court with Judge Kelly G. Moore presiding and Criminal District Attorney Richard Clark representing the state.

Keni Dawnette Beck pled true and the court ordered community supervision from a prior cocaine delivery cause modified. She will report immediately to the ASK House For Women Treatment Program in Lubbock for no less than 90 days or more than one year. She must pay \$80 additional court cost on plea day. Other conditions of her original community supervision shall remain in effect. Bill Helwig was her attorney.

Shane Ray Bradley also pled true and his community supervision from a prior cocaine delivery cause was modified. He will spend 180 days in jail or

until space is available in a substance abuse treatment facility at least 90 days or no more than one year. He must pay \$70 court costs on plea day and new attorney fees of \$250

at \$20 per month. His attorney was Bill Helwig.

Albert Edward Herrera pled true and his community supervision from a prior cocaine delivery cause was modified. He must complete the Southwest Outpatient Program in Las Cruces, NM at his expense, and must pay a total of \$1,100 in delinquent supervision, attorney fee, restitution and urinalysis fee on plea day. His attorney was Jeff Nicholson.

Juan Zapata pled guilty to a third or more DWI. The state waived enhancement, and he was sentenced to five years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. He must pay \$238

court costs and was fined \$1500. Warren New served as his attorney.

Ivan Garcia Sanchez pled guilty to tampering with government record, a resident alien card. A two year prison sentence was suspended and probated 5 years. He was fined \$750, must pay \$213 court costs, \$300 appointed attorney fees. He was released to the U.S. Border Patrol. Paul Mansur was his attorney, and Robert Munsell, DPS, was investigating officer.

Ellis Morales Jr. pled true and community supervision from a prior cocaine delivery cause was modified. He will remain in jail 180 days or until space

is available in the Ray D. Anderson corrections facility in Brownfield for at least one month and not over 24 months at his expense. Paul Mansur was his attorney.

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Until on order water filters are delivered and installed at the Park, the public may use the school swimming pool between the hours of NOON to 6 P.M.





**CAPITOL COMMENT**

U.S. SENATOR  
**KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON**

This week Americans said their goodbyes to an American legend, President Ronald Reagan. Like all Americans, I was saddened to learn of his passing, but even in a moment of great loss, the memories of his good humor, contagious optimism and historic accomplishment comforted me.

At a time of great despair in our nation, Ronald Reagan came into office and restored hope. He was an unequalled champion of freedom, smaller government and market oriented principles. His philosophies guided our nation to become the economic and military superpower it is today.

But beyond his optimism, his confidence and his graceful charm, was a man of action who implemented great change in the United States of America. Under his leadership, our nation sowed seeds of prosperity and reduced regulatory burdens on business. He lowered taxes for all Americans, including reducing the top marginal rate from an oppressive 70 percent to a low of 28 percent, offering new incentives to create wealth and jobs, and to rebuild America.

He encouraged Americans to embrace their own destiny and realize that government was not the answer to social ills, people were. Good people working in concert to better their communities and their fellow man could accomplish far more than bureaucracy.

Perhaps most importantly, President Reagan took the steps to ultimately win the Cold War. He pursued peace through strength and achieved an overwhelming victory that was inconceivable to a generation raised with fallout drills and backyard bunkers. Who can forget the famous challenge he laid down when he cried, "Mr. Gorbachev, tear down this wall!" They were indeed dramatic words but more importantly, word of action. Two and a half years later, what once seemed a permanent

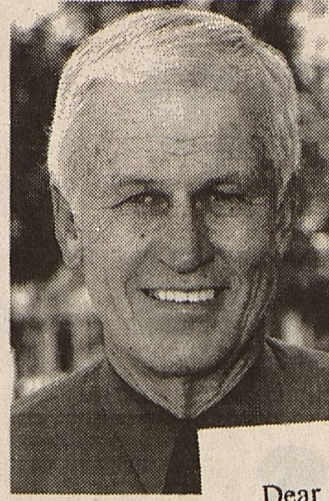
divider through the heart of Berlin was torn down piece by piece, section by section until it was reduced to a pile of rubble.

Visitors at the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center in Washington, D.C., can view a section of the wall, donated by the people of Berlin in honor of the president and in recognition of his leadership. It stands as a stark reminder of the great shift in global politics that spread freedom in Europe, and encouraged new generations to pursue democracy.

Today, we again find ourselves in a fight for freedom. This generation, like their World War II grandparents and Cold War parents, has been called to stand and fight for freedom. Today we're grappling with a new threat: global terrorism. An enemy with no borders, no uniforms, no respect for the traditional rules of war, and more importantly, no respect for human life.

World War II took two years of bitter fighting and sacrifice. The Cold War took decades of dedication and patience. This battle against terrorism requires all that and more. The question is: Will our generation meet the test, will we have what it takes to win? I believe we do. And I believe the strength, perseverance and patriotism that President Reagan embodied will help us see this through. In 1987, he addressed a joint session of Congress saying, "Let it never be said of this generation of Americans that we became so obsessed with failure that we refused to take risks that could further the cause of peace and freedom in the world."

Ronald Reagan's lasting place in the hearts of all Americans has been evidenced by the outpouring of love and admiration we have seen across the nation and around the world. Ronald Reagan was a leader who touched people with his words, inspired them with his actions and led by his example.



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And as a founding member of the Rural Health Care Coalition, I'll continue fighting to provide vital assistance to rural hospitals and health care providers.

*Charlie*

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**We Regret Events Beyond Our Control Resulted In This Four Page Issue, And Hope To Return To Our Regular Format Next Week**

**Tom Carter transfers to church in Vernon**

Tom Carter, Pastor of Plains First United Methodist Church since June of 1999, conducted his final service here June 6, 2004. He and his wife Rhonda have moved to Vernon, where he will pastor the Faith United Methodist Church, with a congregation of some 190 members.

While in Plains Carter was not only active in church activities, he was a supporter of the community, and was an active member of the Plains Chamber of Commerce, and assisted in a number of successful Chamber projects.

Earlier this Spring, Yoakum County and most of the South Plains was gripped in a severe and lingering drought, and many of the area agricultural producers faced very bleak prospects. Carter and his friend Cecil Van Hoose, Pastor of Plains Assembly of God Church, were the principal organizers of a "Pray For Rain"

rally at the local community building. The rally was well attended, and in almost miracle like fashion, hours later the town and county were received substantial precipitation.

Less than two weeks later, another "Pray For Rain" was held, and incredibly, it too was followed by more rain. To date, the gauge at City Hall has recorded over 8 inches of precip.

In 2003, Carter and Van Hoose joined Pastor Bill Wright, Plains First Baptist, and Pastor Joseph Rodriguez, Plains Templo Bautista Nuevo Vision, and sought permission from the Plains School District Administration and individual teachers to visit the three campuses and bring their prayers and messages directly to students in class rooms, and on the campus. "We felt this mission was a great success. More than 85 percent of the teachers asked us into their class rooms, and the feedback from them, the administration and the students themselves was really gratifying," Carter told CCN this week.

He added, "We had a great five years in Plains. It was a true learning experience for Rhonda and I, and I hope the community benefited from our stay in some small way. We are appreciative to all."

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## Senior Citizens Corner

The music was soft and haunting, the words flowed about me like a warm shawl in winter-time. Old and familiar words, yet ever new and exciting. I was listening to that song, often known as hymn or as a prayer, the national heartbeat set to music, and more often called our unofficial nation anthem. It was America The Beautiful. We all know at least the first verse by heart and have sung it through countless times in many different places.

It was written by Kathryn Bates, a New England poetess and dramatic story. Samuel Augustus Ward, a modest, young musician from New Jersey, conceived the melody in a moment of Victorian inspiration after a trip to Coney Island. Kathryn and Samuel never met; never even communicated, but their soaring creation so seamlessly captured the American Spirit that the two will be forever linked in our national heritage.

The song's nineteenth century roots are connected to the Civil War and the commercial and technological progress of a nation charging forward. What are 'alabaster cities' anyway? What are 'amber waves of grain'?

This song weaves the essence of our past and the promise of our future into a lyric, boundless optimism. Why not stop toady and read the words or listen to the melody and one more time thank God for America? Our monthly birthday, anniversary celebration was well attended this week. I understand we served eighty four in the dining room and sent out nearly fifty home delivered meals. The guest list included the names of Aurora Dominguez, Lenore Matus, Arnold and Trina Vogt, Erma and Ernest Tipton, Rita Fannin, Jesse and Wilma Criswell, Nancy and Rick Dickens, Dick Stafford, Lorna Melcher, and Mike Fears. Some of these were making their first visit to the Center while others were returning after an extended absence. A hearty welcome to everyone.

Both Duncan Ashmore and Raymond Singletery are reported to be back home after hospital stays. Both would like to be remembered with a card or telephone call.

The following paragraph found its way to me from Louisiana this week. Take a moment to read it. Subject: The paomnehal pweor of the hman mind: Try to read this...I cdnuolt blvelee taht I cluod aulacly uesdnatnrh waht I was rdgnieg. Aoccdrnig to a rscheearch at Cmabrigde

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Monday night found the new recreation room a place of activity and watched 'Return to Me' starring David Duchovny and Minnie Driver, while munching on popcorn and having their choice of soda or coffee. In the meantime in the pool room, the usual Monday night pool players met for competition and fun. Some '42' players were also busy at one of the tables. Monday night is for everyone! Come and join the fun and fellowship.

Directly after lunch on Tuesday the rec room was filled with serious Bingo players. There were winners at every table, and a few free meal luncheon tickets were handed out to those who had collected enough winning game tickets. Thanks to Ben for calling numbers for us. We appreciate Frank Guerro for so ably handling the registration desk this week. Jack Sessions and Charlie Gillis have been on hand after lunch to help count the daily income. Thanks to these fellows, and to Moray Clark for struggling with the formidable task of cleaning out old material from the lockers of the ceramics room. The efforts of each member of our Senior Center family are appreciated although we may miss recognizing some of you. This is YOUR Senior Center! It takes input and energy from each one of you to make it successful.

The Board of Directors interviewed applicants and selected a new director who will be coming on board within two weeks. We are all looking forward to having her join us. We will introduce her to you as we become more acquainted with her and she has actually become part of the Senior Center family.

Among the essential New Words for 2004, I found 'WOOFies' which means 'Well Off Older Folks.' It was followed by the word 'Kippers' which means 'Kids in parents' pockets eroding retirement savings.' We've all been there, haven't we?

Thought for today: "People seldom improve when they have no other model to copy after besides themselves." Goldsmith. Thanks to Ben for calling numbers for us.

## Miss Yoakum County USA, Ashley Vantine, To Vie For Miss Texas USA Title



The Crystal Group, Inc., producers of the Miss Texas USA pageant have announced the selection of Ashley Vantine to represent Yoakum County in this year's contest. Her official title is Miss Yoakum County USA. Miss Vantine, a graduate of Plains High School, will travel to Laredo, Texas on June 20 for a week of rehearsals, special events, and preliminary competitions culminating in the televised Miss Texas USA pageant on Sunday, June 27.

The Emmy Award winning Miss Texas USA pageant is an official preliminary to Miss

USA jointly owned by Donald J. Trump and NBC. The show will be televised locally in all Texas TV markets. (Check your local listings for time and station). The winner will bear the title of Miss Texas USA for one year, traveling, meeting dignitaries, participating in official charity and social events, and representing pageant sponsors. In February or March 2005, Miss Texas USA will compete with outstanding young women from across the nation at the Miss USA pageant to be televised live on NBC.

## Art Association June Meeting

The Yoakum County Art Association met June 1, 2004. Incoming president Lisa Gentry called the meeting to order.

Minutes from last month's meeting were read and a treasurer's report was given by the incoming treasurer, Julia Lemley.

It was announced that Grady McNabb was the recipient of the Art Association Scholarship.

Janelle Brantley, Helen Hunter

and other association members are gathering information for the new club yearbook.

The Artist Demonstrator for the evening was Renae Simpson of Lubbock, who gave a most interesting story and illustrations of how she started her art career and how she seeks new avenues of inspiration for herself and others.

Hostesses for the evening were Liz Chandler, Mary Dale Forbus and Debbie Pollard.

## Last Frontier Heritage Celebration & Buffalo Soldier Encampment

The weekend of June 25-27, 2004, Morton, Cochran County, Texas will celebrate its western frontier heritage with the Texas, Last Frontier Heritage celebration, a Texas Buffalo Soldier encampment, and a variety of other events.

The Texas Buffalo Soldier Living History Program sponsored by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department will set up at Cochran County Park. They will be available to talk to visitors about the history and to demonstrate what daily life was like in a typical Buffalo soldier camp. Additional educational programs and exhibits will emphasize the multi shared western heritage about the Buffalo Soldiers, Vaqueros, Black Cowboys, Frontier Women, Native American Indians and other cultural groups in Texas during the 1800's. The program is part of the Texas State Parks Community Services Education and Outreach Program.



What about?

This week we have lost a wonderful human being in our nation. A man who stood for dignity, morality, and what is good about our nation.

Regardless of what our political affiliations are, I think we can all agree that Former President Ronald W. Reagan was a good man.

First of all, how many people have come out of Hollywood with the same wife for nearly 50 years? (I'm sure I cut that number short.)

For how many people from Hollywood would we stand for hours to just see the one who died?

I country help but think about the pageantry, protocol and events of this week.

The military and the honor guards representing all of the branches participating in the security and ceremonies.

All designed to honor a fallen leader of our nation. A week full of remembrances for such a wonderful person as Ronald Reagan. A man of strong character!

I think about the caisson carrying the casket being led through our nation's capital with 6 black horses.

I visualize the flag draped casket with the horse with on rider following. The horse with backward boots in the stirrups signifying the master who will not

The mission of the Community Services Program is to inform and involve new and diverse audiences in the activities and programs of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. The Community Services effort is accomplished through the Texas Buffalo Soldiers, Exploring Texas Roots, Blazing New Trails and Texas Buffalo Soldiers Heritage Trail Programs. For more information on the history of the Texas Buffalo Soldiers, see [http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/park/admin/buffalo/bf\\_history\\_toc.htm](http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/park/admin/buffalo/bf_history_toc.htm)

A number of other exciting activities are planned as well, including a parade, horse drawn buggy rides, Indian storytelling and dances, Mexican folk dances, a bluegrass and early American music concert, a chuchwagon supper and campfire sing-a-long, Sunday morning community worship service, and lots of food and fun!

return to ride again.

Then what about Nancy and the Reagan family. The Former President's family and how they have paid the price of privacy. How they will not have time to be with their husband, dad, and/or brother alone in private.

How in their respect for the American people, they have given up that right to mourn in private. Instead they are being catapulted into the public limelight of cameras and news media at one of the lowest times of their lives.

By sacrificing this private time, they are giving each of us an opportunity to see a small part of such an important time in their lives. And why? For the sake of the President.

Then the final 'Lights Out' as the lone bugler plays the mournful 'Taps' at a beautiful graveside service precisely at sunset.

How fitting a final farewell for a man who has done so much for our country in the 'sunset years' of his life, being the oldest elected President of the United States.

And how, the day is done...and Gone the sun.

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# From The Hack

It truly pains me deeply, but I have a confession to make. I now acknowledge the fact those of the tender gender are vastly superior to us males. Well, not in ALL areas.... most males are far, far better at swearing, chewing tobacco, dipping, bragging, drinking beer and lying about past exploits with the tender gender.

In the past six months the above statement has been brought rudely to my attention. For example, I now do my own laundry. I started out with 19 pair of socks (I counted) and in some mysterious manner I now have 7 complete pair, and 12 individuals which match absolutely nothing. This does not happen to females, I am told. I have become aware my briefs are no longer pristine white, particularly in that certain area, no matter if I make the washer belch foamy suds even in the rinse cycle.

I have learned to clean house when it obviously needs it, as like fairly soon after at least two or three sandstorms. I have also learned to faithfully empty

or change the bag on the thing when it becomes too heavy or too fat to push.

I have also learned cooking is fairly easy to master. When grocery shopping, I confine myself mainly to the frozen stuff. You load up the cart with frozen Italian, Mexican, French (even though I despise the French), Swedish, Jewish, Indonesian, and of course anything with the picture of Marie Callender on it. I do, however, draw the line on stuff from Iraq. You just pop it in the oven or nuke it, and voila, you can savor stuff which will keep you alive if you can choke it down.

If, Heaven Forbid, Martha Stewart's fate in her next trial is being sent off to the slammer, do you think any of the TV Moguls might recognize my home-making skills as worthy enough to replace her?

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**NOTICE FOR BIDS**  
**The State Of Texas**  
**County Of Yoakum)**  
The Commissioners Court of Yoakum County will receive bids until 4:00 P.M., Friday, July 2, 2004, for the purchase of the following equipment for the labor and delivery room at the Yoakum County Hospital; Two (2) Birthing Room Warmers, Two (2) Fetal/Maternal Monitor and Two (2) Infant Scales.  
Bids will be reviewed with contract to be awarded in Commissioners Court on Tuesday, July 6, 2004.  
For a more detailed list of the equipment and more information, please contact Darinda McWhirter, Yoakum County Auditor, 806/456-2422 or P.O. Box 516, Plains, Texas 79355.  
Sealed bids should be marked "Hospital Equipment" on the envelope and mailed or delivered to County Judge, Dallas Brewer, P.O. Box 456/ Cowboy Way and Avenue G., Plains, Texas 79355. NO FAX COPIES WILL BE ACCEPTED  
Commissioners Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

**Texas Department Of Transportation**  
**Notice To Contractors**  
Sealed proposals to replace the windows at the Yoakum County Maintenance Section Office, located on SH 214 one (1) mile south of US 380, Plains, Yoakum County, Texas, will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation located at 135 Slaton Road, Lubbock, Texas. Proposals will be received until June 30, 2004 at 11:30 A.M., then publicly opened and read.  
Proposals, plans and specifications for this project will be furnished without charge to any contractor desiring to submit a bid. No pre-qualification is required. Contact Cat Soto at 135 Slaton Rd., Lubbock, Texas, Telephone (806) - 748-4446 for proposals or any questions.  
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## Services for 'Buck' Morris

James Pierce (Buck) Morris, 83, died Saturday at his home in Lubbock. Graveside services were held at 3 PM Wednesday, June 9, 2004, at Plains Memorial Cemetery, with Rev. Bill Wright officiating. Buck was born March 15, 1921 to James Henry and Mary Elizabeth (Jones) Morris in Comanche, Texas, near the community of Sipe Springs. He traveled to many states working as a radiator repairman. He moved to Lubbock in 1989 after his retirement. He is the last of three generations of the Morris family which have lived in Plains. Survivors include his daughters; Barbara A. Kolnda of Houston and Sandra S. Rudd of Poplar Bluff, MN; six nephews and nieces in Lubbock and two in Albuquerque.

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## Notice Of Public Auction

### Auction of seized vehicles and personal property

This is a public notice of a Sale of seized vehicles and personal property that were awarded to the Llano Estacado Drug Task Force by the 121st Judicial Court of Yoakum County and the United States Department of Justice. The Llano Estacado Drug Task Force at public auction will sell the vehicles and personal property listed below:

**DATE: JUNE 24, 2004**  
**TIME: 10:00 AM**  
**PLACE: 2543 STATE HWY 214**  
**DENVER CITY, TX**  
**(OLD CLAY TANKS BUILDING, NORTH OF DENVER CITY)**

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|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1- 1989 Ford Crown Victoria | 1- 1968 Chev. Pickup           |
| 1- 1991 Nissan 2 door       | 1- 1990 GMC Pickup             |
| 1- 1991 Chev. Cavalier      | 1- 1982 GMC Van                |
| 1- 1994 Mazda Pickup        | 1- RCA Home Theater w/speakers |
| 1- 1996 Chev. Lumina        | 1- Sony Playstation            |
| 1- 1994 Ford Aerostar Van   | 1- Car Amplifier and Speaker   |
| 1- 1995 Chev. Pickup        |                                |

### NOTICE TO BUYERS \*\*

The vehicles and personal property will be sold as is. Purchaser(s) will be given a reasonable amount of time to remove property from auction location. All sales are final. Only cash or a certified bank check will be accepted.

Potential buyer(s) can contact the Llano Estacado Drug Task Force at 806-592-3802 for information.