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## 1995 FARM TOUR SHOWS DIVERSITY OF YOAKUM COUNTY AGRICULTURE



Hoss Newsom explains vitaculture practices to tour group

The Yoakum County annual Farm Tour held Wednesday, September 20, according to many of those attending, was one of the better organized and informative of recent years. The tour, organized by the County Natural Resources Conservation Service, the Soil and Water Conservation District, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, and the Ag Committee of Yoakum County, drew almost sixty spectators.

They rode buses furnished by P.I.S.D. to seven different sites featuring a variety of agricultural pursuits.

At the Kenneth McGinty farm and ranch north of town, they heard Kenneth explain how he is utilizing waste water from the City's disposal system adjacent to his farm, pumping the waste water thru a one of its kind Reinke pivot system constructed of aluminum to resist corrosion. McGinty also showed a portion of his cattle herd, and explained how his use of artificial insemination is paying big benefits in the production of quality beef cattle.

The tour stopped next at

D.C. and LaVerne Newsom's vineyard just off Highway 214. Newsom explained how they became involved in producing Cabernet Sauvignon grapes, which they currently contract to Caprock Winery in Lubbock. He displayed some of the specialty farm equipment used in planting, cultivating and spraying the lush 8 acres of high quality grapes.

The next tour stop was at Neal Newsom's farm just further north, where he showed and explained the use of specialty minimum tillage farm equipment. There, Mario Avila, District Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service, spoke on the necessity of proper conservation compliance practices.

They next visited one of the Eddie Earnest farms and heard some of the practices he uses in the annual crop of watermelons now being harvested and shipped all over the country.

The tour next stopped at Ray Bearden's farm east of town, and saw a 'Dry Hydrant', a device hooked up to a water well which

can be activated and used as an emergency source of water needed to fight fires in rural areas.

From there, the tour stopped at the ongoing soil wind erosion test site on the Ricky Bearden farm. To determine if current practices are effective in combating soil erosion, producers Bearden and Eddie Earnest are alternating deep broke ground in milo stubble and cotton stalk fields. Electronic gathered data recording blowing sand particles is being stored and computer analyzed year to year.

The last stop on the tour, on the Johnnie Fitzgerald Ranch, was the site of a discussion on the future of the CRP program, and prescribed burning of CRP plots as a tool combating the spread of cotton boll weevils.

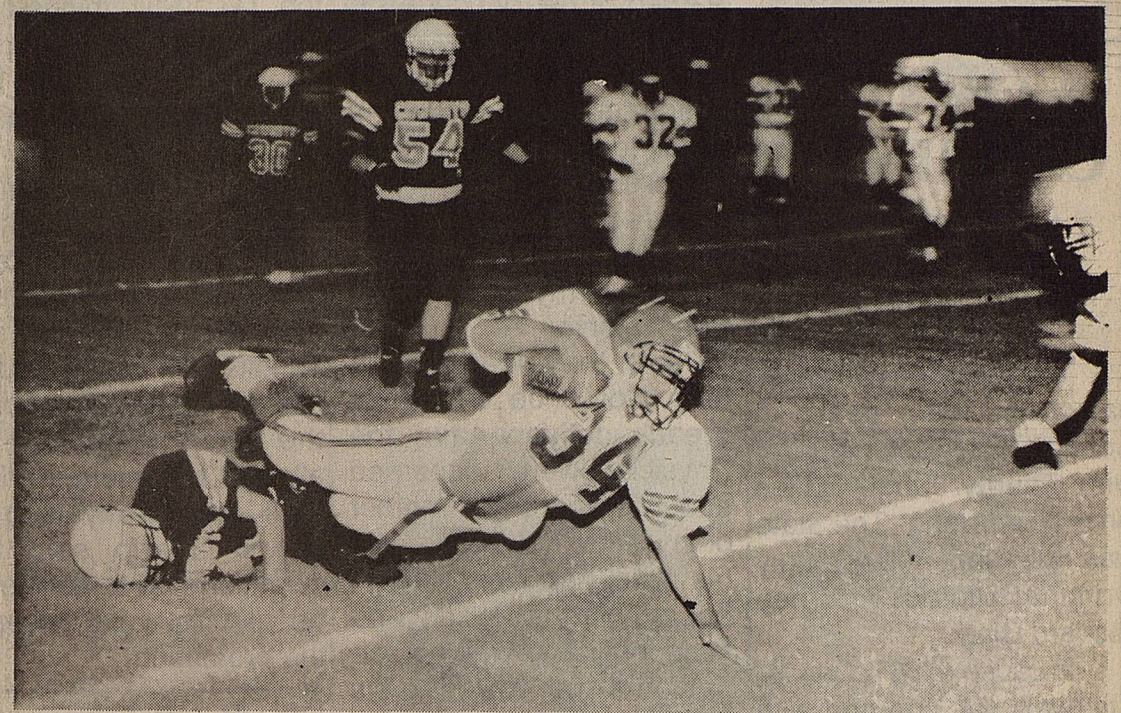
Following a catered meal of catfish and fried chicken, the tour followers heard Dr. Jim Leser, Entomologist with Texas Ag Extension Service, give an up date on the proposed enhanced boll weevil eradication

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Tour takes watermelon break at Eddie Earnest farm

## COWBOYS OUTLAST SUNDOWN 6 - 0 SEASON RECORD IMPROVES TO 2-1



Good effort stops one of many Roughneck scoring threats

In football parlance, "D" stands for defense. In Friday night's game against Sundown, it could also have meant Desire and Determination. The Cowboy defenders had both the desire and determination to stop the Roughnecks repeatedly, with their backs dangerously close to the goal line. At least five times Sundown had scoring opportunities inside the Cowboy 30 yard line, and each time met the challenge for their second consecutive shutout win of the young season.

The game was marred

from the opening series to the final whistle by a rash of fumbles and penalties on each team. The Cowboys muffed the ball 9 times, losing three of them, and Sundown had five fumbles, losing three also. The teams split 18 penalties, losing 79 yards each.

The Cowboys first drive came early in the first period. QB Ralph Ramirez threw to Joe Luna for a good gain, completed another short toss to Josh Traweek, and good blocking in front of runner Roy Ramirez moved the

ball to the 11, where the Roughneck defense stalled the drive.

With Sundown in possession, Chase Clanahan caused a fumble for a big loss just prior to the close of the quarter.

Ramirez threw what appeared to be an interception on the first play of the second period. Somehow, the ball bounced off the defenders hand, and Joe Luna made a diving catch in the end zone for the Cowboys first and only score of the contest.

The Roughneck offense drew two penalty flags which forced them to punt, but a Cowboy fumble on third down forced them to punt.

In their next possession, Eric Ramos reeled off 21 yards, Ralph Ramirez gained 17 on a bootleg, but a pair of penalties again stalled their drive.

The Roughnecks ran and threw to advance to the 21 yard line, and on 4th and 5, missed a field goal.

In the second half, a sack by Coley Burgess caused

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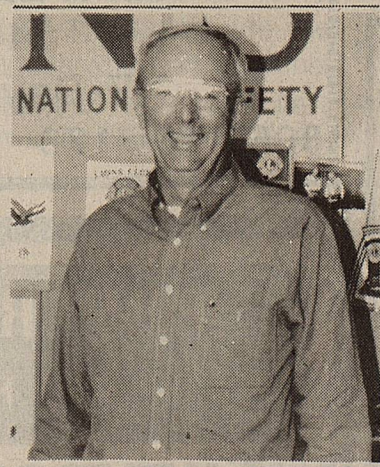
## BARRON TO SERVE AGAIN AS PRESIDENT OF CJCA

Jim Barron, County Commissioner, Prec. 3, will be installed as President of The County Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas in October of this year. The swearing in ceremony will be the second for Barron, his first election to the post occurring in 1989-90.

The association is made up of 1270 members, the 254 County Judges and four Commissioners from each county.

Barron was first elected to office in 1977. He is up for re-election in 1996, and says he definitely plans to run for office again.

The association he will head studies and directs legislation which affects all aspects of county government, and sets the educational requirements of all elected county officials. Commissioners must have a minimum of continuing education each year, and County Judges receive judicial training and county government training.



## MARIO AVILA PROMOTED, TO BE TRANSFERRED

Mario Avila, District Conservationist here with the Natural Resources Conservation Services (NRCS) announced on the recent farm tour he has received a promotion, and effective October 16, would assume his same present duties in Tahoka, Lynn County.

Avila started his conservation career as a part time employee of the then named Soil Conservation Service in 1983. This was shortly after he left active

duty in the US Army, he received his officer's commission thru the ROTC program at Texas Tech, where he graduated in 1975.

During his eight year active duty status, he served in the 82nd Airborne Division as Company Commander, and was on several other assignments in NATO European nations

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program mandated by a recent voter approved referendum. Dr. Kater Hake, Agronomist with TAES, spoke to the producers about the proper and most beneficial uses of pre harvest aid chemicals on the current cotton crop.

Certificates of appreciation were awarded to county landowners allowing the installation of the 'Dry Hydrants' on their water sources.

Jack Palmer, Plains producer, was announced as this year's "Outstanding Farmer of Yoakum County". (See related story on Palmer on this page.)

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in Combat Arms Units. His decision to enter Army Reserve status was based on family priorities. He reported a harrowing personal experience to us about how his daughter, Sonya, was born. He was then stationed at Ft. Benning, Georgia, and lived in Army quarters there. Once he returned from a field exercise, to find his wife, Margarita unconscious on the floor, then six and a half months pregnant.

He called for Army medical help, and when the Doctor arrived and learned of her dangerously near delivery of the child, told Avila there were no adequate facilities on the base to care for a premature delivery. A jet powered Medivac picked the couple up and headed for the Army Hospital in San Antonio.

There they learned the birth would be a difficult breach delivery, and the Physicians were concerned about saving either mother or child, but did. Mario said his wife had never been happy with their service style of life. Awaiting the outcome, he vowed if his wife and daughter survived, he would leave active duty status and become a Reserve Officer.

Margarita Avila is presently a teacher in Plains Elementary, and daughter Sonya is a Junior, and a PHS Cheerleader. They also have a son, Mario Jr., a senior at Texas Tech, who expects to be accepted in either the Baylor University or University of Texas School of Dentistry.

Avila stressed he would miss his three and half years association with local producers and the general public of the County. He voiced his sincere appreciation for the

county Soil and Water Conservation District Board members, and the Consolidated Farm Services County Committee.

Avila said he regretted that NCRS is not the same type organization it's predecessor, SCS, was when he started his career. "For Years, the majority of our programs were on a voluntary basis. We would explain the procedures and benefits to producers, ask for their cooperation, and the great majority of them would go along with our programs and requests.

Today, NRCS is an regulatory agency, demanding compliance to everything stemming from Washington, D.C. Still, things could be worse. At Least we don't yet have the EPA dictating NRCS policies."

He said it is normal for the naming of a replacement for him here to take a minimum of six weeks. In the interim, he will divide his time between the Tahoka and Plains office.

As part of the agreement, the Avila family will be allowed to remain in Plains until after Sonya's graduation. Mario said that condition had to be met, or he could not have accepted the promotion.

Post City, Sept. 1.

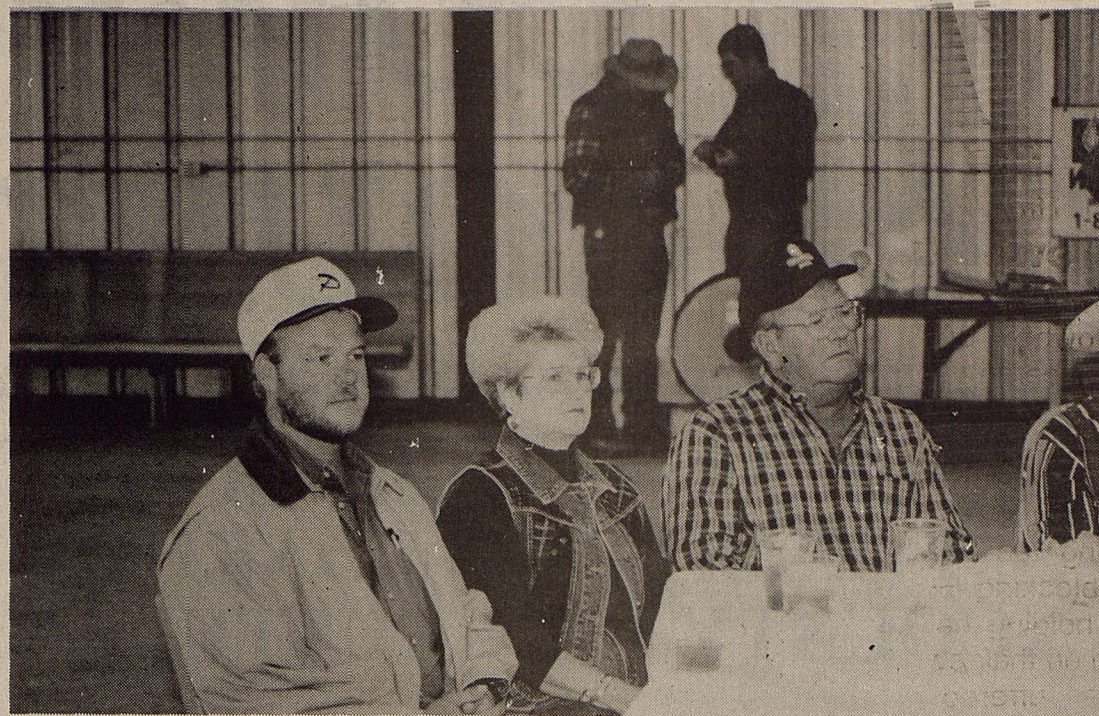
Settlers have begun to arrive in this new city on the High Plains, built by C.W. Post, the 'Cereal King', as the center of a carefully planned community for farmers.

Post purchased 225,000 acres of land for a reported \$750,000. His plan is to establish a settlement of farmers who own their own land and homes. No liquor is to be sold in town, no town lots will be sold to speculators, and strict sanitary rules will be enforced. Store buildings are being built of native sandstone.

A number of homes have already been built near the town, each surrounded by a 160 acre farm. Plans call for experimentation in dry farming techniques, irrigation, and the introduction of new crops.

Post City was declared the County Seat of Garza County on July 8. *The TEXAS NEWS, Oct. 1, 1907*

**PALMER HONORED AS  
'FARMER OF THE YEAR'**



L-R Brad Palmer, Martha and Jack Palmer

When first informed he had been named 'Yoakum County Farmer of the Year', Jack Palmer's initial reaction was one of shock, and even wondered if someone wasn't pulling his leg.

"There are lots of farmers in the county, and I consider many of them better at the job than I am. Nevertheless, Martha and I were elated and proud of the selection, especially since the decision came from my peers, other producers", Palmer said.

This year he has some 2200 acres in production, scattered in seven different locations. He is often kidded about his pickup, usually dirty and mud spattered, but traveling as much as he does from field to field, keeping it clean is

an impossibility.

He has 125 acres of irrigated peanuts, a section of dry land milo on ground earlier planted to cotton but hailed out, and some 1400 acres of irrigated cotton.

Farming is apparently in the Palmer bloodline. His father farmed all his life, including five years here in Yoakum County, and was still farming in the Balmorhea and Fort Stockton area at the time of his death.

The Palmer's oldest son Brad also farms here on a very large scale. The youngest son, Brent, is the women's head basketball coach at New Mexico Junior College in Hobbs.

Questioned further about the prestigious award, he laughed and said, "They

may have given it to me for longevity. I started farming here in 1967".

Past recipients of the award include Rex Swann, 1991, Jerry Everitt, 1992, Eddie Earnest, 1993, and David Turnbough, 1994.

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**COUNTY  
CRIMINAL  
COURT  
ACTION**

The following two criminal cases were heard in County Court September 20, with County Judge Dallas Brewer presiding. The State was represented by County Criminal District Attorney Richard Clark.

In cause #7607, Dari. A. Stierwalt, 24, charged with subsequent offense of DWI, pled guilty. He received an 18 month probated jail sentence, but must serve 15 continuous days in the Ruidoso, NM jail. He was fined \$750, and must pay \$235 Court costs, and attend AA twice monthly.

In cause #7590, Gary James Brumm, 33, pled guilty to a first offense DWI charge. He received a probated 12 month jail sentence, spent 72 continuous hours in jail, fined \$500 plus \$235 Court costs. He was represented by Attorney Warren New.

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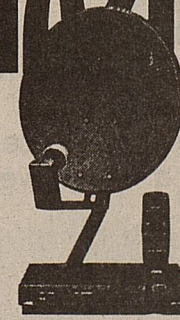
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Sundown to fumble, but the Cowboy opportunity was hampered by a penalty and pass interception.

The Cowboys quickly responded with their own interception by Joe Luna, returning the ball behind good blocking 55 yards, but a holding call placed the ball on their own 45.

Plains suffered another pass interception, again giving the Roughnecks a scoring chance. Big defensive plays by Kirk Parrish and Joe Luna stopped them cold on the 26.

Good "D" by Luna and Roy Ramirez, and another sack by Clanahan again stopped the Roughnecks, but the Cowboys couldn't move the ball.

They held Sundown, and with the ball again, promptly fumbled it away, giving the Roughnecks another golden scoring opportunity on the 21. Good tackles by Roy Ramirez and Victor Cantu forced a 4th down from the 17, where the Roughnecks tried a desperation pass which was defended well

by Marte Pierce, giving the ball to the Cowboys on the 16.

Incredibly, a fumbled snap handed the ball back to Sundown with 2:57 left in the game setting up another scoring chance from the 19. The Cowboy defenders once more sucked it up, and Clanahan and Parrish converged on the QB for a big loss and fumble recovered by Wayne Willett.

The Cowboys couldn't move the ball, and were forced to punt. With just 18 seconds remaining, Parrish chased the QB down for a big loss, and the clock finally wound down for the nip and tuck, nerve wracking victory.

It would be pointless to list outstanding players on the defensive unit. Each man was outstanding. It is often said of pro football that the offense scores points, but the defense wins games. The saying also applied to the high school level Friday night.

The Cowboys next face Lorenzo this Friday night in the big Homecoming Game. BE THERE!

## JV COWBOYS DOWNED BY SUNDOWN 30-20

The JV Cowboys challenged a 39 member Class 2A Sundown team composed mostly of sophomores and juniors, and came up short by 10 points.

The Cowboys struck early, with Tanner Blount intercepting the opening play pass. Eric Luna made a good 25 yard run, leading to Blount scoring on a QB sneak, and a 2 point conversion pass to Casey Forbus for an 8-0. Plains responded quickly, with Eric Luna making a good 65 yard off tackle run, going ahead 14-6, but couldn't hold Sundown out of the end zone, and at the half, the game was tied 14-14.

In the second period, a

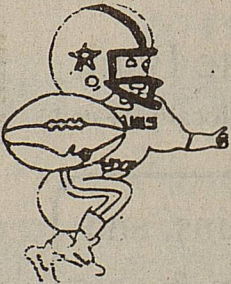
blocked Cowboy kick sat up Sundown's third score, and a 2 point PAT made it 22-14. Down, but not out, the Cowboys went 55 yards in 5 plays, with an Eric Luna run breaking 3 tackles, and a key block by Casey Forbus, scoring to make the score 22-20, the Cowboys final tally.

Sundown managed one more 8 point touchdown and PAT before the game ended. Coach Jack Baucom said the young Cowboys played hard and well, but were outmanned by the big Sundown team. He felt the hard played contest will be a valuable learning tool for the JV Cowboys.

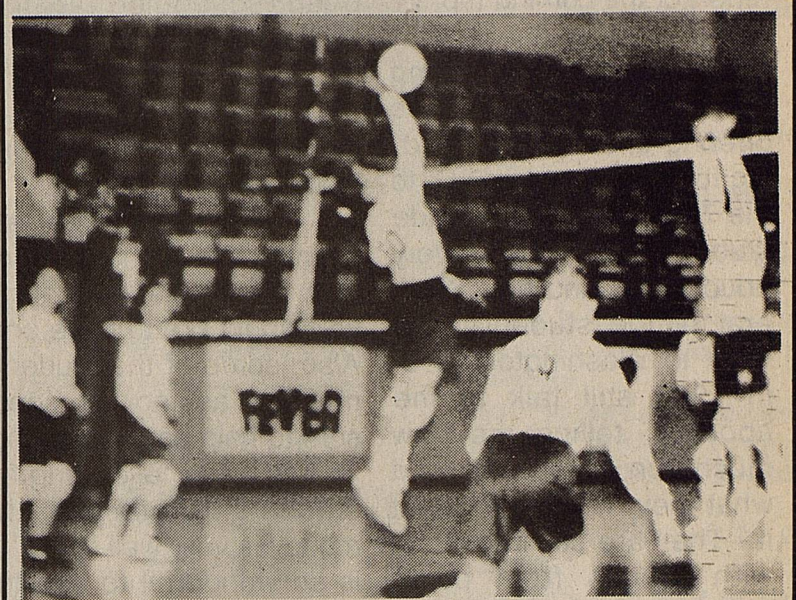
## 7th & 8th WRANGLER FOOTBALL RECAP

The 8th grade Wranglers downed Class 2A Sundown last Thursday 12-6. David Luna scored both Wrangler TD's with a reception of Fermin Luna's quick toss, and another catch of a Kyle Sisson screen pass. Coach McAdams cited good defensive work by Alex Tarango, Fermin Luna Colt Winn and Josh Bell.

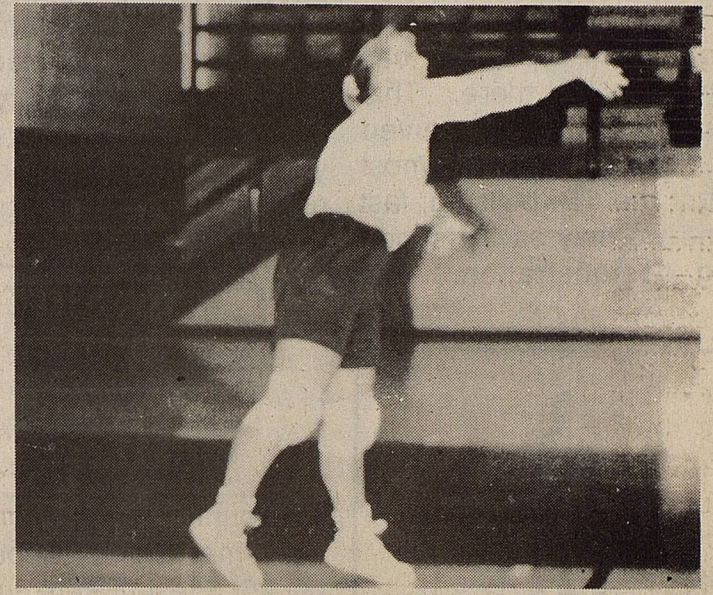
The 7th grade Wranglers six points short in their 14-8 loss to Sundown. Joel Gallegos scored their TD on a reverse play, with Adam Garcia taking a quick pitch in for the 2 point conversion to tie the game 8-8. They managed to hold Sundown until the game winning TD late in the 4th period.



## COWGIRL FROSH DOWNED BY DENVER CITY



La Cresha Johnson going for kill



Tandi Jones makes good serve

## CROSS COUNTRY MEET RESULTS

The High School Boys and Girls Cross Country teams, and both Junior High teams competed in the Seminole this past Saturday. Following are the results in each team contest:

### Varsity Boys:

- 8th Jeremy Dearing
- 18th Joe Luna
- 19th Jason Robertson
- 34th Jamie Caballero
- 36th Hector Gallegos
- 40th Ralph Ramirez

### JV Boys

- 10th Will St. Romain

### Jr. High Boys

- 1st Fermin Luna
- 3rd Felipe Reyna
- 7th Sterling Deaton
- 11th Chris Estrada
- 12th Kelsey Blundell
- 19th Stanley Caballero
- 30th Dustin Six
- 34th Matt Willis
- 40th Eddy Gallegos

### Girls JV

- 12th Tanya Hernandez
- ### Jr. High Girls
- 4th Krystle Blundell
  - 39th Kelli Osborn
  - 49th Anne Palmer

## 7TH GRADE VOLLEYBALL UPDADE

The 7th grade Lady Wranglers are off to a great start this year. On September 18, the White team defeated Andrews 16-14, 9-15, 15-9, while the Black team fell 8-15, and 7-15.

On September 23, the 10 girl Black team traveled to the Brownfield Tournament to face Lubbock Cooper, defeating them 15-10, 15-7. They next downed Lubbock Trinity 6-15, 15-13 and 15-1, moving into the Championship game against Brownfield, winning the division championship 14-16,

15-12, and 15-8.

Seventh grade Wranglers include Emily Blair, Martha Casillas, Frances Cordova, Lensey Cullins, Amanda Garcia, Dawn Garland, Kari Guetersloh, Angelica Hernandez, Kimberlee Jones, Ashlei Mason, Adrienne Ramos, Donita Richardson, Leslie Rowe, Elva Ruiz, Lisa San Fillipo, Michaela Traweek, Lexi Warren, Kim Willis and Tanya Vasquez.

(Editors Note)

Sorry, this is all the volleyball news we could obtain this week.



Cowboy 'D' Stops Sundown Again



Chris Payne Makes Catch, Injures Knee



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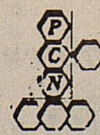
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## SPRING BREAK TRIP PLANNED

Melisa Rogers, PHS language instructor, will again escort a group of school students on an educational and fun 'Spring Break Trip', this year to the Nation's Capitol, Washington, D.C. Here is her initial report of the coming trip;

It's time again to start thinking about Spring Break. This year I will be offering another trip heading for Washington, D.C. to the 7th, 8th, and 9th grade students. The trip is very educational and fun. Several of the students who went to Washington, D.C. in 1994 still talk to me about it, telling me how much fun they had, and what they remember about it. They are still in contact with friends from other places whom they met while they were on the trip.

We try to see as many sights as we possibly can while we are there. This year we have received permission to tour almost all of the FBI building; last time we only saw a shooting demonstration. We

have the distinct honor this year of participating in the wreath laying ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery. Also while we are there, we will see the Washington Monument, Jefferson Memorial, Lincoln Memorial, Iwo Jima Memorial, Vietnam Memorial, National Cathedral, the panda and other unique animals in the National Zoo, the Smithsonian Museums, Ford Theater, as well as others which have not been scheduled at this time. Some other interesting events include riding the subway, possibly touring the White House, and visiting Mount Vernon.

I have brochures explaining the trip and along with a sample itinerary if you would like to have one. Also, some of the students may be asking for sponsors to help pay for the trip. This is an excellent trip for students; therefore, the money is very well spent. It is so wonderful to see the students connecting the people and places they read about in school to actual people and places. If you are interested in your child going on this trip or if you have any questions, please call Melisa Rogers, at 456-7457.

## FRANK WHITLOCK RECENT VISITOR



L-R; Dolores Davis, Helen Hunter, Frank Whitlock, Pat McNabb,

Former long time resident Frank Whitlock, now living in Albuquerque, NM, visited his old home town and many friends recently. Vaughn and Carolyn Culwell brought Frank to their home, and hosted a "Come and Visit" party in his honor September 12, and many friends enjoyed reminiscing with the long time White's Auto Store owner.

Frank turned 85 years young on September 25th. Amazingly, he still plays golf five days each week if weather permits, and played golf here during his visit. Frank looks very well, and still has his well remembered sense of humor. The Culwell's carried him home September 14th, and he promised not to stay away from Plains so long in the future. It was good to see you, Frank!

## YOAKUM SWCD WILL ELECT ZONE 3 DIRECTOR

The Yoakum Soil and Water Conservation District will hold an election for the Zone 3 Director at 8:00 AM on October 3rd, 1995 at the Plains Community Center.

Zone 3 covers the Northwest quarter of the county, excluding a square, six miles by six miles on the Southwest corner. The present director is L.J. Sanders who has announced that he is retiring. Candidate nominations will be made from the floor.

In order to serve as a director, a person must first meet the criteria of an eligible voter, as defined below. Additionally, the person must own land within the numbered subdivision for which the election is being held and must be actively engaged in the business of farming or animal husbandry.

Eligible voters for this election are individuals who hold title for farm land or ranch land lying within Yoakum County, which is the area covered by the District, are residents of the county, and are 18 years of age or older. Title is considered to be owned by both husband

and wife in this community property state. If a family farm corporation owns farm land or ranch land in the District then the corporation is entitled to one vote. The corporation shall designate one corporate officer to vote for the corporation. The designated officer must be eighteen years of age or older and be a resident of the county.

Mr. L.P. (Pete) Patterson, State Representative, District 3 and also Chairman of the Texas House Agriculture and Livestock Committee, will be our guest speaker. Mr. Patterson farms and ranches at Brookston, Texas.

A report on the status of the two Yoakum County Wind Erosion Test Sites will also be given at the meeting. The District is seeking sponsors interested in assisting to cover \$300.00 of unfunded expenses incurred last year in connection with the wind erosion test site.

All persons interested in conservation activities in the District, State, and Nation are invited to attend. Refreshments will be provided.

## COUNTY COURT MEETS

County Commissioners Court met Monday, September 25. Present were Judge Brewer, Commissioners Avara, Thurston, Barron and McWhirter, and Auditor Lowrey, Clerk Bruton, and Treasurer Toni Jones.

Commissioner Barron reported on a contract with the Texas Department of Transportation covering an approved \$500,000 grant to be used for renovating and improving landing strips and approach aprons at the County Airport. Ninety percent of the funds would stem from the grant with the County furnishing the remaining 10%, or \$50,000. The contract was approved.

Richard Clark, acting as County legal advisor, discussed and explained several items contained in the final draft of the management contract between the County and St. Mary's Hospital. The contract enables

St. Mary's to manage the County Hospital and the clinics in Denver City and Plains. Effective dates for the managing duties are October 1 for the clinics, and January 1 for the Hospital facility.

A representative of Hart Information Services, sole bidder on County advertisement seeking purchase and/or lease-purchase proposals for an automated ballot tabulation system, presented the following cost figures; Purchase price of the 'American Information System' utilizing optical scanning features would be \$22,795. Lease-purchase for three years would be \$8,605 per annum, five years \$5,483. After considerable discussion, the Court voted 4-1 to table the

issue one week, to study fund sources.

On a non agenda item, Treasurer Toni Jones reported her office is preparing a report for the Court which would define and explain rules and regulations approved by the State Legislature, under the Public Funds Investment Act. It will detail what investments can and cannot be made under the act.

## "Renewal Warning"

If you have not renewed your subscription, and it was due in September, the cut-off is Sept. 30. October notices will be in the mail box soon.

Thank You!

## COUNTY JP COURT

The following is a summary of two weeks cases heard in Justice of Peace Court, Precinct One, Judge Melba Crutcher presiding;

39 traffic cases filed  
3 issuance of bad check cases filed

2 public intoxication cases filed

Bonds set:  
Speeding 89/65 (Randall County) \$310 bond, \$160 fine

Violate promise to appear (Randall County) \$400 bond \$175 fine

Assault (Physical contact) \$2,500 bond

Theft by check-Misd. B (Hockley County) \$1,000 bond

Theft by check-Judgment NISI (Hockley County)

\$4,000 bond Driving While Intoxicated, 1st offense \$1,000 bond

No valid inspection certificate (Hidalgo County) \$244 bond, \$122 fine

No driver's license (Hidalgo County) \$250 bond, \$125 fine

Public intoxication \$232 fine  
Public intoxication \$232 fine

No drivers license \$92 fine  
Assault causes bodily injury (M-A) \$2,000 bond

Issuance bad check \$500 bond, \$245.97 fine  
Motion to revoke probation held for hearing.

### \*REMINDER\*

**There will be no CCN paper on October 11. We will take our first vacation, and rejoice you October 18. Thanks! It's been a very good first year.**



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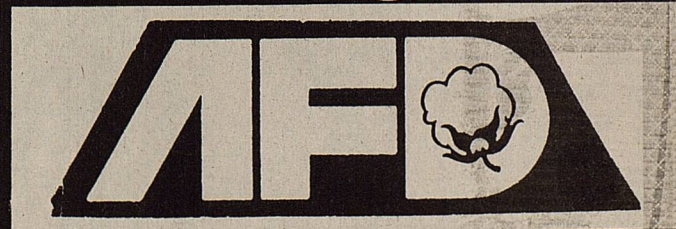
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# Femme Friends Page

## THANK YOU!

Thank you with deep feelings of gratitude and appreciation for the kindness shown to our family during the loss of our loved one, C. Murrell Thompson. The floral tributes, the memorial gifts, the food, the calls, and the personal visits, and the prayers were an overwhelming tribute to Murrell's memory.

God is gracious and loving in sending us friends to minister to us in our grief. We are eternally grateful for the way you have reached out to us. Please continue to pray for our family.

God Bless You All,  
Helen Thompson,  
Murrell A., Sandra & Fam.  
Charles, Sarah & Fam.  
Greg, Debie Black & Fam.

## NEW GRANDCHILD ANNOUNCED

Mary Lee and Garland Swann happily announce the birth of a new grand daughter, Shelby Breann, daughter of Gay and Bob Kelley of Midland. She was welcomed into the family by her 3-1/2 year old brother, Kolten. She arrived at 8:09 AM, August 17, at Midland Memorial Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces, and measured 19 inches.

Paternal grandparents are Jon Allen and Pat Kelley, Snyder, and great grandmother is Sue Kelley of Jayton.

## PISD MENU

October 2-7, 1995

Monday:  
Breakfast: cereal, toast, grape juice, milk  
Lunch: grilled chicken patty on bun, French fries w/ catsup, sliced tomatoes & lettuce leaf, pear halves, milk

Tuesday:  
Breakfast: cinnamon rolls, toast, apple juice, milk  
Lunch: taco salad w/taco sauce, shredded lettuce, tomatoes, Mexican corn, crackers, pineapple tidbits w/marshmallows, milk

Wednesday:  
Breakfast: Canadian bacon in a hot biscuit, orange juice, milk  
Lunch: All American cheeseburger, chips, mixed fruit, oatmeal cookies, milk

Thursday:  
Breakfast: pancakes w/ syrup, fruit punch, milk  
Lunch: Mr. Rib w/barbecue sauce, pinto beans, carrot & raisin salad, cornbread, blueberry cobbler, milk

Friday:  
Breakfast: cereal, toast orange/pineapple juice, milk  
Lunch: breaded beefsteak w/gravy, green beans, hot rolls, broccoli & rice casserole, orange smiles, milk

## Please Note

We will not publish the paper on October 11. It's a small vacation time. You will receive your paper again on October 18.

Thanks!

## PISD BULLETIN

October 2-7, 1995

Monday: Volleyball, Three Way, 7th;8th A -There, 5pm  
Tuesday: Volleyball, Lovington, JV;V-There, 6pm (CDT)

Volleyball, Brownfield, 9th, There-5pm

Thursday: Football, Farwell, 7th;8th-Here, 5pm  
Football, Farwell, JV-Here, 7:30pm

Friday: Football, Farwell, V-There, 8 pm

Saturday: Volleyball, Brownfield, JV;V-Here, 11am

Volleyball, Lamesa Tournament, 9th  
Cross Country, Lubbock

## THANK YOU!

The Yoakum County Ladies Golf Association wishes to thank each and every individual assisting us in the annual Mammy Yoakum golf tournament. We could not stage this event without your help.

Our special thanks to Bob Blundell, who rounded up a group of friends to help in the tournament. Thanks again, Bob, for your assistance each year.

## Wedding Shower

A Wedding Shower honoring LeAnn Stephens will be given on October 15th from 2 PM to 3:30 in the home of Lynda Wall. Selections: Plains Depot, Bayer Lumber, Renaissance, and Nelson Pharmacy in Brownfield.

## TSA MO GA CLUB CELEBRATES 60TH YEAR

The first meeting of TFWC Tsa Mo Ga Club 1995-96 club year was held September 25, at their club house, celebrating TFWC Tsa Mo Ga's 60th year, honoring charter members and past presidents.

A "Memorabilia Table" displayed yearbooks of the past and old pictures. Each member and guest reminisced some incidents of their work in leadership in Plains community through the clubs goals and projects.

The club was honored to have the two local charter members Wilma Powell and Mary Jo St.Romain give a short history of the clubs first meeting when organized in the home of their mother, the late Mrs. M. W. (Lillian) Luna.

The informative and entertaining evening was under the direction of the program coordinator, Mattie Field, who joined the club in 1945. President Sit Jones gave the welcome and presided over the business meeting. She joined the club in 1939, and has a record of 95 percent attendance record.

Hostesses were Mary Jo St.Romain, Wilma Powell, and Elouise St.Romain, all from the Lillian Luna family.



TFWC TSA MO GA CLUB 60th

Mary Jo St.Romain, Sit Jones, Wilma Powell

## ANNUAL HOMECOMING PLANS

Excitement continues to build at PHS as the Homecoming Friday, September 29 nears. Activities for the big event include the football game against Lorenzo at 8 PM. Immediately prior to the game at 7:30, this year's Homecoming Queen will be crowned. Senior Candidates are Valerie Blair, daughter of Royce and Cynthia Blair, Kelly McGinty, daughter of Kenneth and Anne McGinty, and Becky St. Romain, daughter of Joe and Eloise St. Romain.

What promises to be a spectacular bonfire will be held at 9 PM Wednesday, Sept. 27th on City Property just west of town on the Lovington Highway.

The Booster Club reminds everyone PHS football and volleyball shirts will be on sale at home games, and PHS black and white caps are available at \$10.

## NEW BOOKS AT LIBRARY

- From Potter's Field by Patricia Cornwell
- The Penny Wedding by Jessica Sterling
- The City Who Fought Cry by Anne McCaffrey
- Dead By Sunset by Ann Rule
- Star Wars by George Lucas
- Legacy by Janey Dailey
- Far From The Dream & Whispers In The Valley by Lance Wubbels
- Lightning by Danielle Steel
- Non-Fiction
- My American Journey by Colin L. Powell
- In Their Name - Oklahoma City - Forward by Billy Graham
- A New Prescription for Women's Health by Bernadine Healy, M.D.
- Thunder In The Heavens-Classic American Aircraft of World War II by M. Bowman
- Vicki! The true-Life Adventures of Miss Fireball by Vicki Lawrence
- Patrick Lose's Whimsical Sweatshirts by Patrick Lose
- My Dog's a Democrat by Curt Brummett
- Sweatshirts With Style by Nancy Ziemann
- What Can We Do Today, Mommy? by Kathy Farrell



## BABY SHOWER HONORING

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# From The Hack

Think I have an idea why last week's annual County Farm Tour was so successful and well attended. Word must have leaked out about the stop at Newsom's winery, and the sampling booth sat up in their barn.

Very hospitably, they had samples of their nice, credible Reserve Issue of Caprock's Cabernet Sauvignon made from the grapes of the two Newsom vineyards.

You know how wine connoisseurs talk.... "very dry, poignantly fruity, wonderful color, a delightful aroma, a delightful tingle to the tongue and palate".

Lemme tell you, I didn't hear any such talk last week. What I heard was, "Man, it's a little early for this stuff (10:15 am), but it ain't bad". And too, "Hey, it's cold out here... just tell your wife you were scared of hypothermia", and "I never did like expensive wine... but since this is a freebie, it's plenty OK".

The Methodists just belied right up to the bar and tossed the little sample cups of good stuff right down. I saw a Baptist sneak a cup up his coat sleeve, sneak off behind a tractor before scoffing his. And really, I saw a Church of Christ guy bribe a Methodist with two bucks to sneak him a sample, and three bucks for the second!

A Catholic farmer, large of girth, stode up, hid a full bottle under his coat, and announced, "St. Paul sayeth, a little wine is good for the stomach. I got a big, fat belly in poor shape", and strode happily off.

One poor Assembly of God guy was wandering around asking anyone who would listen, "Listen, do you think this would be OK if I told everyone we were having Communion?". Before he had an answer he



could live with, he had to get back on the tour bus.

Yes, I know, sometime back I swore off Golf, But, hey, listen, that's like vowing to forsake women, barbecue, smoking and booze. Time's change, making alterations in promises absolutely necessary.

Especially when the pig farming son-in-law begged me to be his partner in last weekends Fall Partnership. I was very reluctant at first to play Camel again, humping him around for a grueling 18 holes over the weekend, but to keep peace in the family, I agreed.

I will have to confess, he played like a jackass Saturday, but escaped my wrath with a very credible game Sunday. If the format had been stroke play, he would have scored a very nice 76. Modesty prevents me from reporting my score, and no one would believe what I reported anyway.

No, we did not win our flight, thanks to some very questionable scores turned in Sunday, but we did manage to split the cash pot, and I could have just about broken even in the deal if pig farmer hadn't charged me \$20 for letting me ride home with him. In a Ford pickup, too!

That's OK. I won a \$90 Daiwa milled face putter for being closest to the pin on a 3 par hole. True. Got the putter to prove it. Hit a magnificent 9 iron against the wind on the 195 yard hole to within inches of the cup, witnessed by Dale Carter and Jim Maynard, both trustworthy Baptists. I think.

I have the putter to prove this story. It is also for sale, to partially recoup part of the lost bucks I didn't tell you about.

Incidentally, don't play a money game with Mike Payne and Don Gilliam.....

they lie about their handicap!

Oh, joy, joy! One of our 18 grandchildren is making final preparations for her wedding in October. Another event making the bride and I feel a bit older each day.

This kid has blossomed over the years into a bonafide beauty, a tiny little 20 year old thing making me wonder if I will soon have great grand kid number Three! Try that on if you really want to feel old, at my amazingly young age.

Sitting on the deck last night, thinking about all these mind boggling events while the Bride sipped on a blackberry wine, and I had a diet free Pepsi, I pondered on life.

After three Pepsi's, I had it all sorted out. You're supposed to come into life, grow, mature, marry, produce kids, teach, introduce them to Church life, keep 'em in Church, nurture them, send them to college, hope they

learn and benefit from your efforts, graduate, get a job, marry, produce kids, name 'em after you, and cringe at the thought they are going thru the exact same thing you and your spouse went thru with yours.

Ah, the constant cycle of our Lives.

## LIONS CLUB MEETING

The Plains Lions Club met last Thursday, Sept. 21, with 16 members and guests attending. Guest Eddie Perry, Lions Region 3 Chairman, introduced visiting speaker Carmon McCain, Lions District Governor.

McCain, a Lion since 1972, spoke in the theme "Share the Pride", noting in his address the word 'pride' refers to a gathering of lions in the animal world. He urged members to show unity in developing club leadership, to strive to expand the membership roll, and make people more aware of services Lions Club provide to the public.

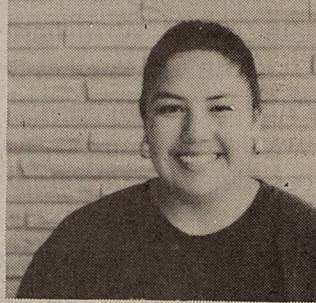
Gary Dyer gave a brief talk explaining how the newspaper is prepared and printed each week. He introduced his guests, Holly Dyer, CCN employee Diane Brown, daughter and employee Dolores Wilson, and granddaughter Deniece Watkins.

Lion Pierre St.Romain urged everyone in the community to donate old eye glasses to any Lion, for recycling and distribution to the visually impaired.

Members present were Johnnie Fitzgerald, Harry Richardson, T.J. Miller, Rick Doyle, Pierre St.Romain, Melvin Dearing, Jerry Morphis, David Brunson, and Jim Barron.

Brewster County in far west Texas is six times larger than the state of Rhode Island, and 42 times larger than the state's smallest county, Rockwall.

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK



PHS Student of the Week is Roni Ponce. She is a Junior, and the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Isidoro Ponce.

Roni was nominated by Mrs. Rogers.

"First of all I would like to thank Student Council for all of the work they have done so far this year. Most of you may not realize all of the hours spent planning and working to provide the decorations, events, concessions, etc.

Because so many have worked so hard, it was very difficult for me to pick only one student of the week. However, I did choose one who does everything asked of her. She spends lots of hours working very hard on her particular committee. She is a very fine role model for anyone in this school with her involvement, commitment, and attitude toward her school work. Very rarely do you ever see her without a smile on her face.

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|-------------------|------------------|------------------|--|
|                   | Number of games* |                  |  |
| Public school     | 2,000**          | 1,000,000        |  |
| College           | 16               | 242,378          |  |
| Professional      | 1                | 54,384           |  |
| <b>Total</b>      | <b>2,017</b>     | <b>1,296,762</b> |  |

\* Average of in-state home games per week.  
\*\* Includes high school and junior high school games.



SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts; University Interscholastic League; Southwest Conference; Southland Conference; Lone Star Conference; Southwest Athletic Conference; Texas Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; University of North Texas, University of Texas at El Paso; Dallas Cowboys and Houston Oilers.

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