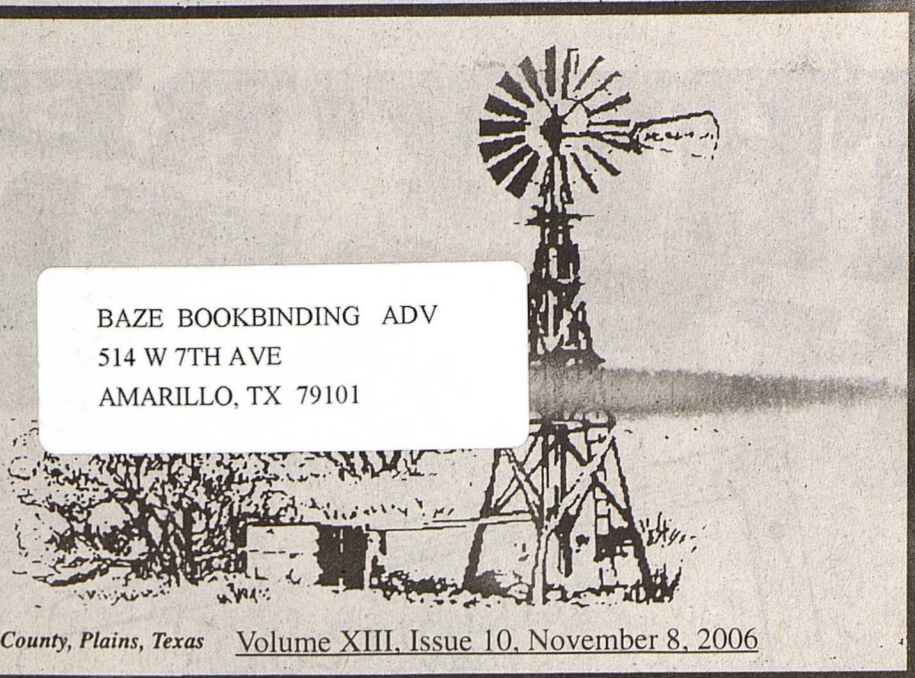


Cowboy Country News



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Eight year sentence for intoxicated manslaughter

A jury made up of Yoakum County citizens handed down an eight year prison sentence on former Denver City resident Kyle Dean Burkhalter following his plea of guilty to intoxicated manslaughter, enhanced by use of a deadly weapon, his vehicle.

Almost 11 months earlier Burkhalter drove his pickup west on Fourth Street in Denver City, ignored a stop sign at the intersection of Fourth and Mustang Avenue, ran through the front doors of St. William's Church where a funeral ceremony was under way. His truck hit Mr. Hugh Chumly, inside the church assisting the service being conducted by Ratliff Fu-

neral Home. Mr. Chumly died at the scene.

Following two sessions of selecting a jury, Criminal District Attorney Richard Clark represented the State and Burkhalter was represented by Chuck Lanehart with Fred Stang assisting.

The defendant chose to plead guilty to the charge, and the jury was assigned the task of setting punishment. After a thorough review of the facts in the case and a profile of Mr. Burkhalter's alcohol habits by CDA Clark, the jury eventually handed down a sentence of 8 years in state prison, with possible parole only after four years served.

FSA Committee elections start Nov. 3

Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns announced last week the 2006 Farm Service Agency (FSA) county committee elections started November 3. The deadline for eligible voters to return ballots to their local FSA office is December 4, 2006.

"The county committee system allows producers to make important decisions concerning the local administration of federal farm programs," said Johanns. "I urge all eligible farmers and ranchers, especially minorities and women, to get involved and vote in this year's elections."

Committee members apply their knowledge and judgement to make decisions on disaster and conservation payments, establishment of allotments and yields, producer appeals, employing FSA county executive directors and other local issues. FSA committees operate within official regulations designed to carry out federal laws.

Turn To Page 3, FSA

Cowboy ground game hobbled by Morton Indians in 32 - 14 loss

Could the stats recorded in Friday's loss to the Indians be some form of school record? An impressive 216 yards via the airways in 45 pass attempts, but minus 16 rushing yards? The Cowboys again came up with a gutty performance in a losing effort this long, hard season.

The Cowboys took the opening kickoff but could not advance the ball in three pass attempts. The Indians took the punt at the Cowboy 41, racked up three consecutive first downs to the six yard line, then punched the ball in for the score, and the extra point boot them up 7-0.

When the Cowboys took the following kickoff, a third down fumble gave the ball back to Morton on the Cowboy 12 yard line. Cowboy defenders Justin Vasquez, Antonio Martinez and



Mario Ruvalcaba, 22, comes to aid of unidentified Cowboys downing Indian runner

John Tyson stopped three rushing attempts, forcing the Indians to settle for a field goal and 10-0 lead.

Following the kickoff, Chris Addison took to the air with pass completions to Rudy Gonzales and Mario Ruvalcaba producing a pair of first downs, but the drive ended on the 37. Morton began a Turn To Page 4, Cowboys

Renewable Energy Funding In Gaines County

Bryan Daniel, State Director, Texas USDA Rural Development announced recently Southwest Energy and Feed, LLC has been selected to receive funding totaling \$1,678,472 through the agency's Renewable Energy Systems Improvement Grant and Guaranteed Loan programs. To highlight the award, a ceremonial check was presented to Wayne Mixon, CEO of Southwest Energy and Feed during the BioEnergy Texas Conference held in Lubbock.

"USDA Rural Development will focus efforts to bring together agricultural producers and rural businesses to spur the development of our renewable energy options. Texans have ideas and solutions making a difference in the rural economies in which they farm, ranch and do business," said Daniel.

Southwest Energy and Feed will use the loan and grant funds to

construct an oilseed extrusion and bio-diesel production plant. The facility will be located 18 miles southwest of Seminole in a rural farm area, convenient to customers of feed products and bio-diesel, and maintain access to both state highways and rail service. The facility will produce bio-diesel and cottonseed meal extruded from cottonseed and other feedstock. The company expects to employ 12 full time employees in the local community.

To date the Bush Administration has invested through this program nearly \$45 million in 32 states. The program can assist farmers, ranchers and small businesses develop renewable energy systems and make energy efficiency improvements to their operations.

Saluting the 2006 Cowgirls & Cowboys!



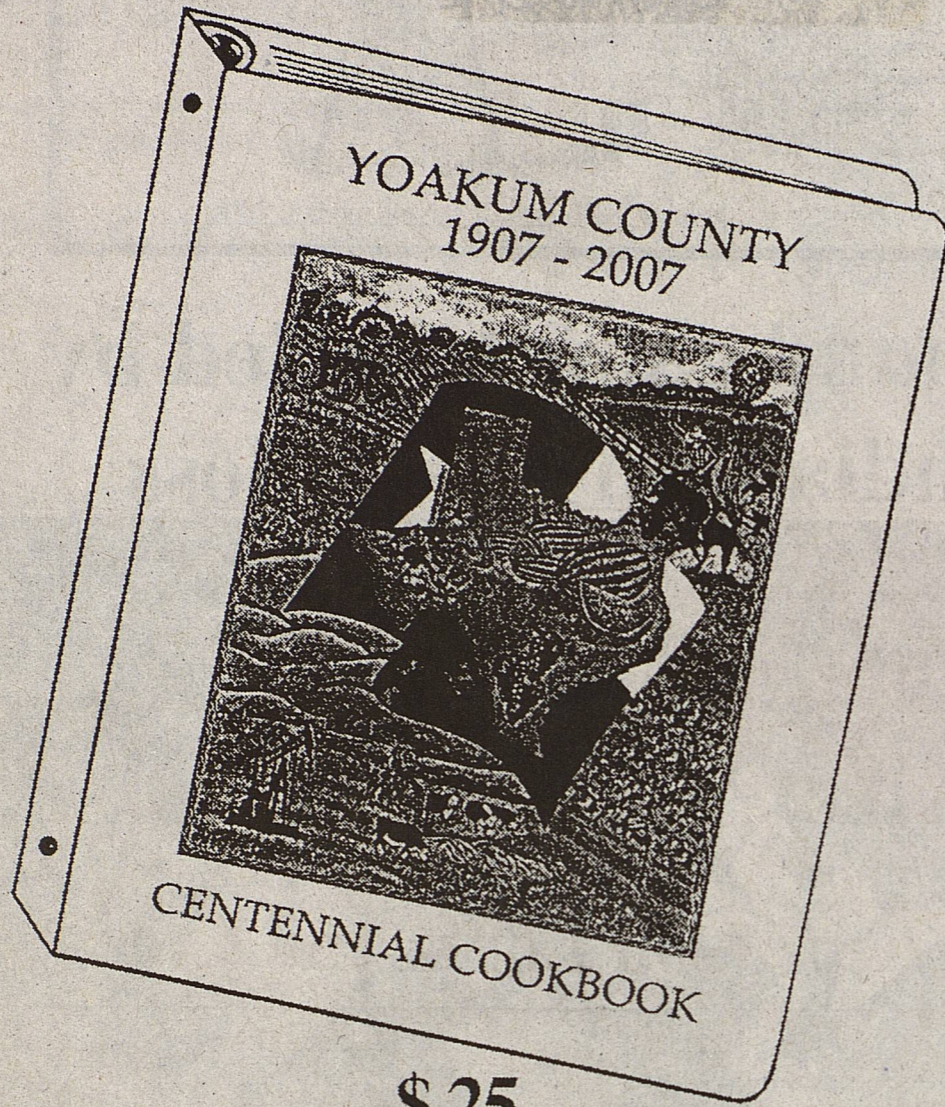
The Cowgirl volleyball team endured a long, tough schedule, often against much larger schools, and succeeded in winning Bi-District honors by defeating Water Valley. Shown back row, Kimber Williams, Joani Bell, Lauren Hise, Reyna Gallegos, Desiraye Broome, Heather Parrott. Middle, Regina Morales, Elizabeth Perez, M'Leah Mckinzie, Meghan Garcia, Katie Winn. Front, Managers Maretta Trent and Amber Friesen.



The PHS Boys Cross Country had a long and grueling season, often competing against runners in AA, and AAA schools, including highly rated Class A schools in West Texas.

Two Cowboys qualified for the prestigious state meet in Round Rock, Senior Scott Addison and Freshman Jonatha Lira. Left to right, Seong-Jae Kim, Cody Mayes, Holden Welch, John Tyson, Zach Ramos, Jonathan Lira. Coaches Steven Bunch and Evertt McAdams in background

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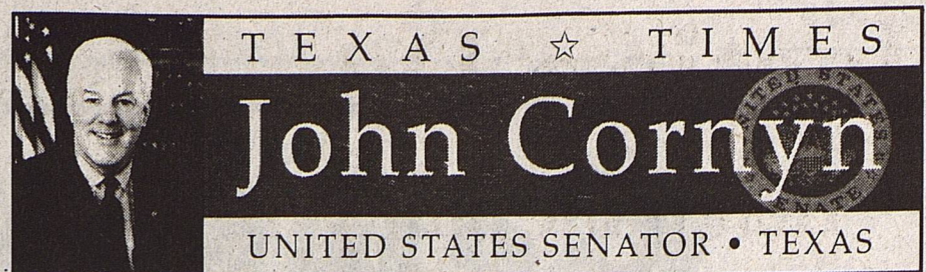
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America's Historical Treasure Chest

By U.S. Sen. John Cornyn

Since its founding, the United States of America has been a beacon of liberty to the entire world. The colonists fought for freedom, and many have sacrificed to extend it. Particularly in the past century, we have been generous in helping spread worldwide the individual liberties that have helped the U.S. achieve prosperity and success.

While we labor to extend freedom around the world, we must not forget the principles on which our own democracy is based. It's particularly important that young Americans appreciate our rich U.S. history, and the struggles that have accompanied development of our country, and the blessings of a free and educated society.

To accomplish that, there's no substitute for a first-hand look at the landmarks of our democratic heritage. Many Texans are able to visit Washington, D.C. and see precious historical documents at the National Archives near the Capitol.

In the building's central rotunda are The Charters of Freedom—the actual original documents (under glass of course) of the Declaration of Independence, the U.S. Constitution, and the Bill of Rights. There's even one of four existing original copies of the Magna Carta there as well.

Nothing is more memorable than a personal encounter with history. But in this cyber age, the National Archives and Record Administration (NARA) has established a Web site that may be an even better learning tool for the principles and experiences that have shaped our nation.

NARA is the agency that preserves our government and historical records. It also provides public access to the written and recorded material that collectively comprises American history. The primary sources available include millions of documents and photographs, and countless hours of recorded history, in Washington, regional archives, and Presidential libraries.

History teachers usually want their students to examine "primary sources," and for good reason. These are original documents, created in the time period being studied, by people who actually participated in or witnessed events. They allow the reader to get as close as possible to history.

When I was in school, as a practical matter, access to primary sources was extremely limited. They could be found in a few books, usually available to most only through the public library system.

But today, in our digitalized society, students and educators can open the documents that record our country's development from their personal computer through the Internet. None is more relevant to American history and current events than the Web site of the NARA, www.archives.gov.

As the school year gets under way this fall, I hope parents, teachers and students are aware of the treasure chest of information available through primary documents on this interactive Web site.

Students can print out a copy of the Declaration of Independence and sign it themselves. They can meet our Founding Fathers, those chosen to participate in the Constitutional Convention of 1787, and get acquainted through their biographical sketches. The site contains facts that bring history alive to elementary and secondary school pupils.

The same primary documents at the Archives building are also on display at the NARA Web site. A visitor can also delve deeply into important moments in our history. There's a recording of President Franklin Roosevelt reading a declaration of war against Japan in 1941. Also on virtual display are President John Kennedy's speech index cards—including "Ich bin ein Berliner"—from his 1963 speech at the Berlin Wall.

There's also a wealth of original documents across the decades, recording Jefferson's purchase of the Louisiana Territory from France in 1803, the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo ending the U.S.-Mexico War in 1848, Lincoln's letters to his generals, Indian treaties, and the drives to extend voting rights to women and freed slaves.

For those interested in how their own ancestors fit into the landscape of American history, the Web site also contains genealogical research information. The breadth of resources available—from family trees to landmark historic events—is inspiring.

Even when we read about despotism and tyranny abroad, or see their violent legacy in televised news reports, it's easy to take for granted the blessings of democracy that we all enjoy. An appreciation of U.S. history, and the incredible difficulties our country has faced and overcome, helps put today's problems in perspective.

A visit to the National Archives—in person or online—is well worth the time of all citizens, and especially our students. It's also a worthwhile investment in our future.

Sen. Cornyn is a member of the following Senate Committees: Armed Services, Judiciary, Budget, Small Business and Entrepreneurship, and Joint Economic. He is the chairman of the subcommittees on Immigration, Border Security and Citizenship and Emerging Threats and Capabilities. Cornyn served previously as Texas Attorney General, Texas Supreme Court Justice and Bexar County District Judge. For Sen. Cornyn's previous Texas Times columns: www.cornyn.senate.gov/columns.

Commissioners eye budgeting issues

In the November 6 session of Commissioners Court, the appointment of Morris S. Know as the local health authority for Yoakum County was approved starting November 1, 2006 and ending November 1, 2008 was approved unless removed by law. The Doctor has served in this capacity a number of years.

Richard Clark, CDA for Yoakum County, requested the court approve an amendment to his office budget for transfer of funds CDA forfeiture funds. He related prior homicide cases this year ad depleted funds because of heavy expenses for payment of expert witnesses and other trial by jury issues. He advised the court he would

be announcing another homicide case in the near future. He estimated his office would need a minimum of \$10,000 for the pending trial before the 2007 budget went into effect. His request was approved. County Clerk Deborah Rushing requested the court's approval for purchase of extended memory and equipment to expand and upgrade the public viewing stations in

her office. She advised the court there would be no more addition to "paper trail" documents for her office, all replaced by electronic documents. She requested some \$1310 for the purchase and installation of extended memory, keyboard and XP unit available to the public for \$1310. Judge Brewer and Commissioners discussed at length the change over from tons of paper books of information which will now be available to the public only via the courthouse electronic communication system.

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Robert Nichols, Dem	353
Fred C. Jones, Lib	36

Governor

Rick Perry, Rep	743
Chris Bell, Dem	275
James Werner, Lib	11
'Kinky' Friedman, Ind	194
Carole K. Strayhorn, Ind	354

Lt. Governor

David Dewhurst, Rep	1185
Maria Luisa Alvarado, Dem	316
Judy Baker, Ind	51

Attorney General

Greg Abbott, Rep	1186
David Van Os, Dem	305
Jon Roland, Lib	34

Comptroller Public Accounts

Susan Combs, Rep	1202
Fred Head, Dem	290
Mike Burris, Lib	45

Commissioner, Land Office

Jerry Patterson, Rep	1115
Valinda Hathcox, Dem	330
Michael A. French, Lib	35

Commissioner of Agriculture

Todd Staples, Rep	1072
Hank Gilbert, Dem	377
Clay Woolam, Lib	42

Railroad Commissioner

Elizabeth Ames Jones, Rep	1040
Dale Henry, Dem	385
Tabitha Serrano, Lib	47

State Representative, Dist. 83

Delwin Jones, Rep	1159
John E. Miller, Dem	163

Criminal District Attorney (CDA), Yoakum County

Richard Clark, Rep	1212
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County Commissioner, Pct. 4

Tim Addison, Rep	277
Jack Cobb, Dem	218

County Commissioner Pct. 2

Jim Brown, Rep	158
Ben Coston, Dem	272

Uncontested candidates declared elected: County Judge Jim Barron, Rep, District Clerk Vicki Blundell, Rep, County Clerk Deborah Rushing, Rep, County Treasurer Barbara Wright, Rep, Justice of Peace, Pct. 1, Melba Crutcher, Rep, Justice of Peace Pct. 2, Troy Scott, Dem.

Chief Justice Supreme Court

Wallace Jefferson, Rep.	1159
Tom Oxford, Dem.	163

Justice Supreme Court, Place 2

Don Willett, Rep.	995
Wm. E. 'Bill' Moody, Dem	412
Wade Wilson, Lib.	40

Justice Supreme Court Place 4

David M. Medina, Rep	1144
Jerry Adkins, Lib.	188

Justice Supreme Court Place 6

Nathan Hecht, Rep.	1123
Todd Phillippi, Lib	171

Justice Supreme Court, Place 8

Phil Johnson, Rep	1151
Jay Cookingham, Lib.	142

Presiding Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals

Sharon Keller, Rep.	1034
J.R. Molina, Dem.	397

Judge Crt. Criminal Appeals, Pl. 7

Barbara Parker Hervey, Rep.	1069
Quanah Parker, Lib.	221

Judge, Crt. Criminal Appeals, Pl. 8

Charles Holcomb, Rep.	1154
Dave Howard, Lib.	151

Methodist Church 15th Fund Raiser Another Success Story



When members of Plains First United Methodist Church chose a chili lunch and bake sale as a fund raising project some 15 years ago, a few eyes were raised by some when it was scheduled to take place on a Tuesday - Election Day - in 1991

This election day, November 7, well over 200 visitors of many faiths passed through the line for a Bowl Of Red, Bowl Of Beans, Cobbler, and Iced Tea - all for five bucks. Ticket sellers at the entrance, however, reported the large majority of folks passing through the

line donated considerably more than the minimum amount. The cake sale and auction was reportedly another success story as well. If the idea works, don't unsaddle the horse yet.

We Read You Loud And Clear!



The photo is poor, but serves the purpose of the GI's shown in Iraq. It's their response to Mass. Senator John Kerry recent case of foot in mouth when he foolishly said their lack of education caused their "being stuck in Iraq". The soldiers must have enjoyed their hamming up their spelling.

Texas at a Glance

On the Job

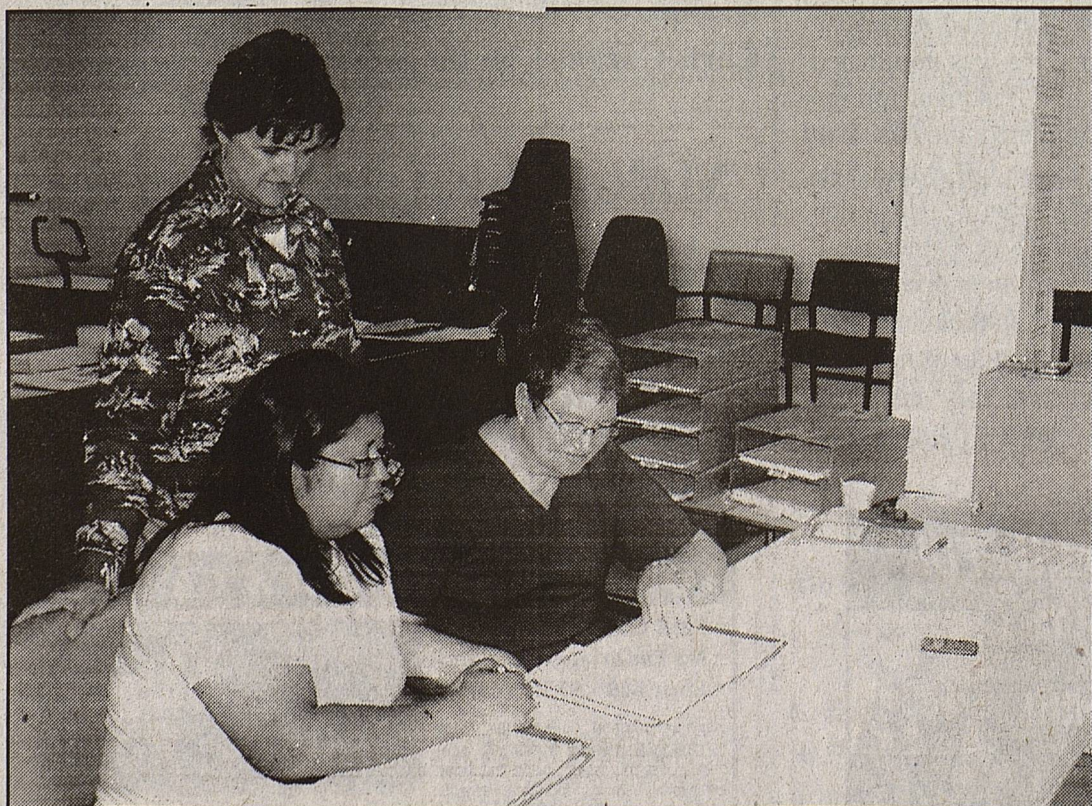
In 2005, the nation's work force included an estimated 150 million people age 16 or older, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. The nation added 2.6 million jobs in 2005. Harris County, Texas, trailed Maricopa, Ariz., and Los Angeles counties

in job growth among the nation's 10 largest counties that year. Harris County also lagged behind Miami-Dade, Fla. and Maricopa, Ariz. in wage growth, while Dallas County trailed seven other counties in wage growth.

County	Value
Maricopa, Ariz.	105.5
Los Angeles Calif.	72.1
Harris, Texas	61.9
Clark, Nev.	58.7
Broward, Fla.	44.9
Orange, Fla.	40.0
New York, N.Y.	37.0
Miami-Dade, Fla.	32.0
Orange, Calif.	31.6
San Bernardino, Calif.	31.1

County	Value
Miami-Dade, Fla.	8.9%
Maricopa, Ariz.	8.1
Harris, Texas	7.8
San Diego, Calif.	7.3
King, Wash.	7.2
Orange, Calif.	7.1
New York, N.Y.	7.0
Dallas, Texas	6.6
Cook, Ill.	5.5
Los Angeles, Calif.	5.5

Average weekly wage growth, 2004-05
Percentage change, third quarter



Shortly after early voting stations closed Friday at 5 PM, workers began gathering all ballots and materials following the weeks of ballot casting. Shown after the Courthouse basement site closed are, standing, Cindy Grey, and seated, Elvira Mendias and Faye Nelms. No local turnout records were set, with less than 800 ballots cast.

From Page One, FSA

To be an eligible voter, farmers and ranchers must participate or cooperate in FSA programs. A person who is not of legal voting age, but supervises and conducts farming operations of an entire farm, can also vote. Ag producers in each county submitted candidates names during the nomination period last summer. Eligible voters who do not

receive ballots in the coming week can obtain ballots at their local USDA Service Center. December 4, 2006 is the last day for voters to submit ballots in person to local USDA Service Centers. Ballots returned by mail must be postmarked no later than December 4. Newly elected committee members and alternates take office January 1, 2007.

Close to 8,000 FSA county committee members meet monthly at more than 2,300 FSA offices nationwide. Each committee consists of three to five members who serve three years terms. Approximately one-third of county committee seats are up for election annually.

From Page 1, Cowboys

drive producing two first downs, but sputtered and resulted in a missed field goal. The Cowboys took the ball at their 15. Addison found Rudy Gonzales open for a 21 yard gain, and followed up with a 64 yard toss to Gonzales who ran into the end zone for the score. A two point conversion failed, but the Cowboys were in the game, 10-6.

The Indians would quickly respond by retrieving a Cowboy fumble at the Cowboy 18, and three plays later they led 16-6. The Cowboys took the kickoff and racked up first downs with Addison's completions to Gonzales, Scott Addison, Ruvalcaba and Ramos, but the drive was halted at the Indians 25 to end the half.

In the third period a Cowboy fumble provided the Indians with a field goal attempt which failed. The Cowboys could not generate offensive results, and with less than two minutes on the clock the Indians scored, pushing the lead to 23-6. They would then trap Addison in his backfield for a safety to make

the score 25-6. The Cowboys kicked off, and four rushes by the Indians led to another goal and 32-6 score with less than three minutes on the clock.

Addison went to the air, hitting Rudy Gonzales for a 19 yard gain, and another reception for 36 yards to place the ball on the 16. Scott Addison's reception put the ball on the 12, a five yard offside call on the Indians pushed the ball to the 7, where Addison threw to Rudy Gonzales for the score, and the PAT toss to Ruvalcaba produced the final 32-14 score.

Rudy Gonzales had 8 receptions for 161 yards. Addison threw 31 times for 17 receptions. Bradon Loya recorded a fumble recovery and quarterback sack, top tacklers were John Tyson, Loya, Olivas, Ruvalcaba and Antonio Martinez.

The Cowboys will end a long, frustrating season Friday night when they travel to Smyer. A win would ease some of their frustration, and your presence could help!

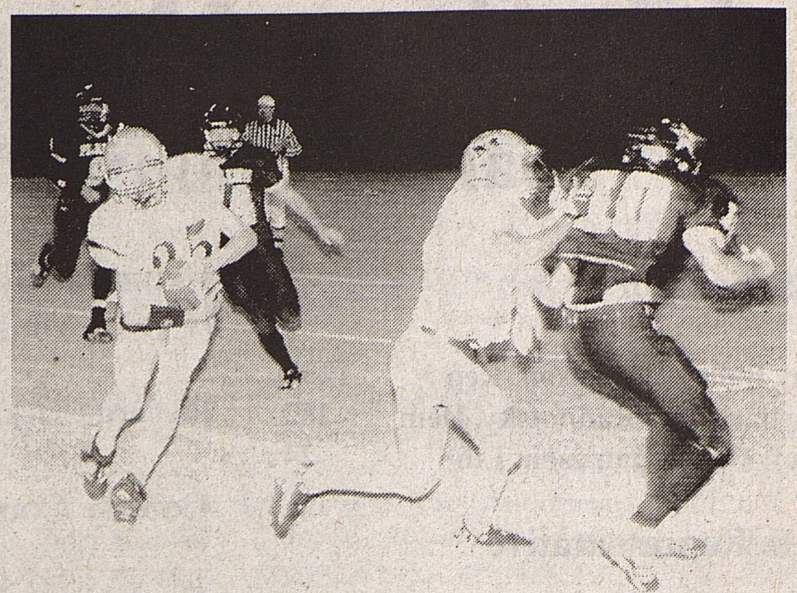
Cowboy Cross Country

The Cowboy Cross Country team competed in the big Regional meet November 4 at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock to end a great season. The team placed seventh in a field of twenty 1-A teams. Two Cowboy runners will advance to state competition at Round Rock Saturday, November 11, and will run at 12 noon. Senior Scott Addiison and Freshman Jonathan Lira will represent Plains High in the prestigious competition. The Cowboy team deserves kudos for their hard work all season, running early mornings day after day before the sun is up, this in addition to five of the runners also practicing and playing on the Cowboy football team those many weeks. OUR CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL Individual results at Mae Simmons Park included:

Scott Addison, 6th, 16:56. Jonathan Lira 8th, 16:58. Zachary Ramos 38th, 18:20, John Tyson 82nd, 19:42. Cody Mayes 86th, 20:47. Seong-Jae Kim 118th, 21:13. Holden Welch 136th, 22:12.

Cowgirl Volleyball Finale

On October 31 the Cowgirls claimed the Bi-District Championship by defeating Water Valley 25-21, 29-27 and 27-25. Joani Bell had 1 dig, 15 kills, 1 assist, 10 blocks. Katie Winn had 6 digs, 1 kill and 10 assists. Reyna Gallegos 16 digs, 1 kill, 1 block, Desiraye Broome 4 digs, 3 kills, 4 blocks and 2 aces, Lauren Hise 5 digs, 6 kills, 1 block. Liz Perez 5 digs, 12 assists, Kimber Williams 1 dig, 1 kill, 2 blocks, Liz Perez had 5 digs, 12 assists, Meghan Garcia 6 digs, 1 ace, Heather Parrott 2 kills, 1 assist, 1 block, Regina Morales 13 digs. On November 4 the Cowgirls played Marfa for the Area Championship and lost 27-25, 19-25, 25-20, 22-25 and 8-15. Joani had 16 digs, 24 kills, 11 blocks, Katie had 7 digs and 23 assists, Reyna 19 digs, 4 kills, 1 block, Desiraye had 5 digs, 6 kills, 2 blocks, 2 aces, Lauren 3 kills, 1 assist, Kimber 3 digs, 1 kill, Liz 5 digs, 13 assists, Meghan 12 digs, 2 kills, Heather 1 kill, 1 dig, 1 block, Regina 16 digs. Coach Eddleman and the Cowgirl volleyball team want to thank the parents, teachers, coaches, school administrators, school board members, student body, support staff, booster club, cheerleaders, Mrs. Wade, Charles Cain, Shannon Eddleman, Kathy Bell, Rick Wood, Mareta Trent, Amber Friesen, and all the great fans for their wonderful support and commitment throughout the 2006 volleyball season. "I personally want to thank the volleyball players for their hard work, commitment and loyalty throughout the season," head coach Eddleman said. "we may not have reached our final destination but it was a remarkable and successful journey." The Cowgirls finished the season with an overall record of 20-14.



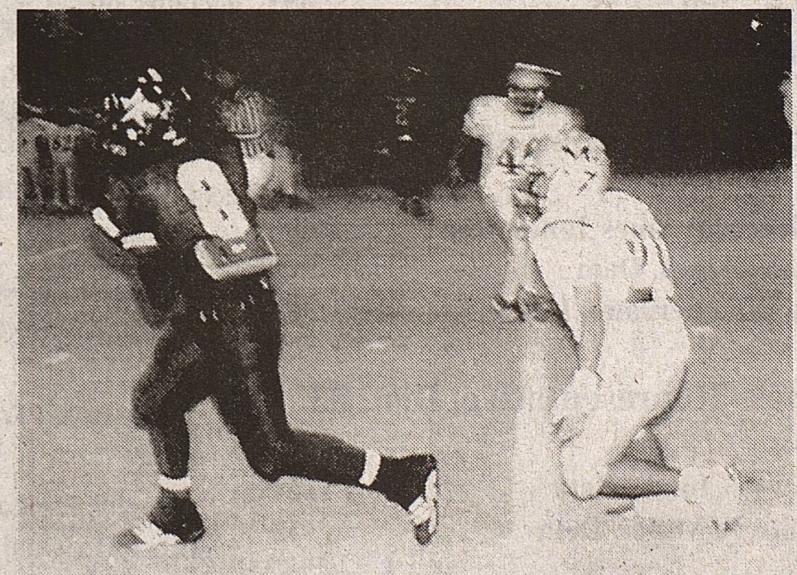
Cody Mayes, 10, about to be hit from behind



Rudy Gonzales tries to outrace defenders

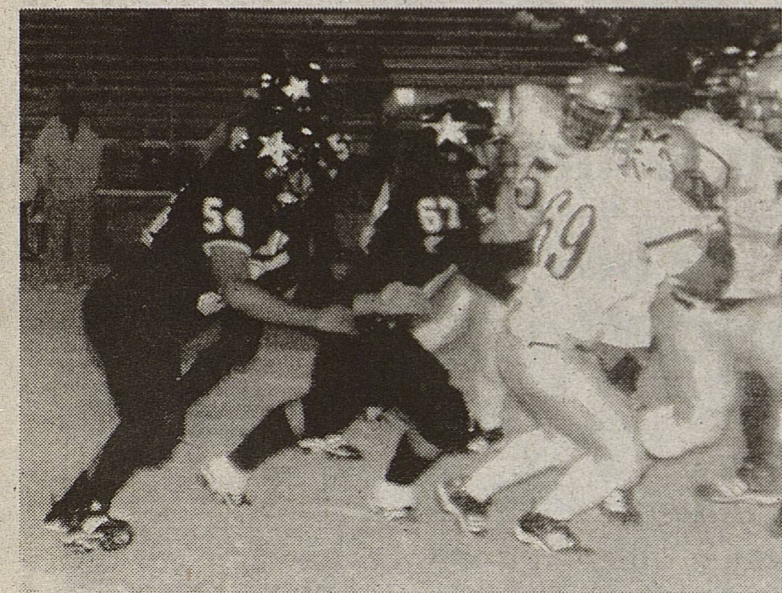


Zach Ramos made yardage on this catch



Chris Gonzales on the move

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Antonio Martinez, we think, battles Indian linemen



Cowboy "D" at work



Scott Addison goes airborne for ball

Student of the Week



PHS Student of the Week is Seong Jae Kim, a freshman and the son of Seung-Chul and Min-Ja Park Kim, and American host family Evertt and Estelle McAdams. He was nominated by Mr. Cullins, who said, "Seong Jae is a freshman foreign exchange student from South Korea. I nominated him based on an outstanding individual performance at the UIL/Math Science practice meet at Lubbock Coronado October 28. He joined the Number Sense team the week before at the Sweetwater meet. After only a week's practice, he won the freshman division by 40 points. He also won the freshman division in the mathematics test. He has a natural aptitude for math and a strong work ethic. It will be interesting to see what happens this year when we combine these characteristics with my many, many, many, many years of experience!"

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From The Hack

It's over, and I'm glad! It appears the Dems did some harm in the Repub ranks, but I'll wager you hear very little whining from the conservative mouths pieces, i.e. Rush Limburger, Sean whats-his-name and Bill Bennett. They will be conserving their spleen for Nancy Pill-oh-see, or however you spell the probable new House leader. And lest we forget... Hillary C. lurks in the wings, just waiting to pounce two years from now. Lord, some times you tend to overload my boat!

Election night was a nightmare, if it was self induced. I allowed a

female fairly close to me persuade me to print this rag a day late, to allow publishing the election results, "In a timely manner", as she put it. What a farce! I fell in bed at 3:18, still not finished, fell out at 5 AM, and as I look at my watch at this time, I am already two hours late at my printer, and the election is getting ancient news by the minute. NEVER AGAIN!

The day didn't completely fall apart. When I was beginning to sweat serious like about the contents of this space, along came a recent issue of the Levelland & Hockley County News Press, AKA as the life preserver Publisher Stephen provides from time to time to save my skinny rump. I don't feel too bad this thievery time, for he admitted a friend had passed the following to him. It's about kids;

I was driving with my five

year old in back when a convertibel passed us, and a woman stood up and waved, stark naked! Then my young son shouted, 'Mom, that lady's not wearing a seat belt!'

On the first day of school a first grader handed his teacher a note from his mom. It read, "The opinions expressed by this child are not necessarily those of his parents."

A woman was trying to get ketchup from the bottle when the phone rang. She told her four year old daughter to answer it. In a moment she told her mother, "It's the preacher. Mommy," then said, "She can't come to the phone now, she's hitting the bottle!"

My son Thomas, 4, came screaming out of the bathroom to tell me he'd dropped his toothbrush in the toilet. I fished it out and tossed it in the trash. He stood there a second or so, then ran to my bedroom and came out beaming, saying "We's better throw this one away too, it fell in the toilet last week."

A little girl had just finished her first week of school. "I'm just wasting my time," she told her mother. "I can't read, I can't write, and they won't let me talk!"

A little girl was watching her parents dress for a party. When she saw her dad putting his tuxedo on she warned, "Daddy, you shouldn't wear that suit."

"And why not, sweetheart," he asked. "Because it always gives you a headache the next morning."

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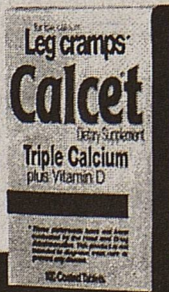
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*SOCW 2361-541 Intro to Social Work
6:00 - 9:00 PM

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*ARTS 1301-541 Art Appreciation
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*MATH 0320-541 Intermediate Algebra
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Thursday
ENGL 1301-541 Composition I
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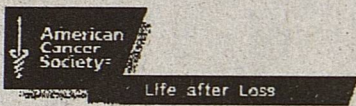
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New Keep Texas Beautiful ornament features official bird of the state

Listen to the mockingbird - It's calling for your help to keep Texas a pristine and beautiful place! Keep Texas Beautiful (KTB) is proud to announce the sale of its third edition ornament, highlighting the mockingbird, with proceeds funding KTB's network of more than 340 affiliates who focus on litter prevention, waste reduction and community beautification projects.

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"The ornaments make wonderful gifts and can be displayed anytime time of year. When you purchase an ornament you know you are helping educate Texans on how to make Texas the cleanest, most beautiful state," says KTB board president Debbie Johnston. Orders for the first, second and third edition ornament can be made through an order form on KTB's website, www.ktb.org or by phone, 1-800-CLEAN-TX.

KTB, the statewide grassroots community improvement organization and Keep America Beautiful affiliate, strives to educate and engage Texans to take responsibility for improving their community environment through programs including Great American Cleanup, Don't Mess With Texas Trash-Off, Lake and River Cleanup programs. For more information on programs and events call 1-800-CLEAN-TX or visit www.ktb.org.

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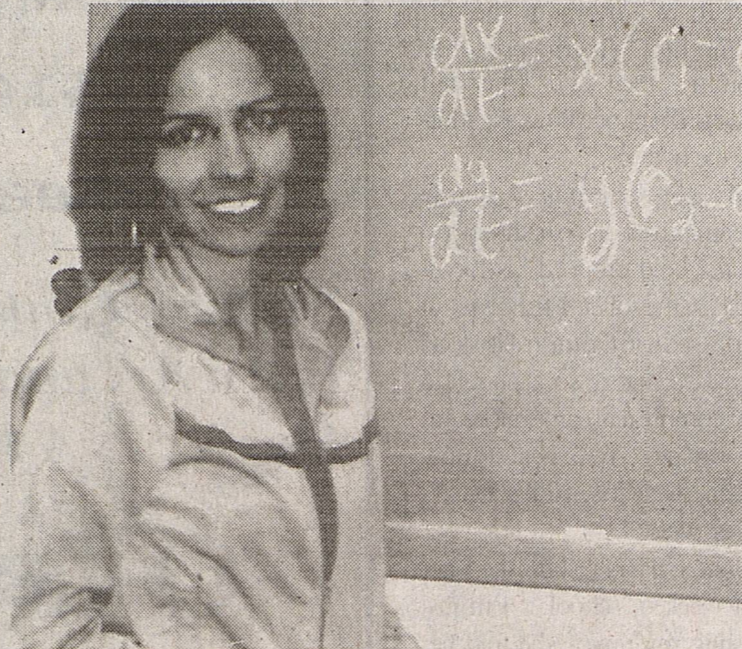
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PHS - Ex continues to make academic mark



Wendy Hernandez-Padilla, PHS graduate and daughter of David and Lupe Hernandez of Plains, will be honored by the Lubbock Chapter of ARCS (Achievement Rewards for College Scientists) at its 34th annual Scholar Reception and Scientist of the Year Dinner November 16 at the Lubbock Women's Club.

Wendy is earning her Master's degree in mathematics at Texas Tech. Her Master's thesis is in the field of Biomathematics, or using mathematics to solve practical matters. She is working to develop a model to reduce or eliminate the salt cedar, a common weed with deep roots taking water from other beneficial plants. Following receiving her Masters, Wendy plans to teach mathematics and eventually pursue her Ph.D. in applied mathematics.

The ARCS Foundation is a national women's organization working to meet the nations need for scientists and engineers by providing scholarship to outstanding students. While financial need is considered, ARCS awards scholarships to the best and brightest students in the advancement of science. This year, \$59,000 has been divided between 14 students attending Texas Tech, Texas Tech University Health Science Center-Lubbock and Amarillo, and Tech Institute of Environmental and Human Health, and Lubbock Christian University.

'Information Please' at Yoakum County Library

The Yoakum County Library will present the next INFORMATION PLEASE program Thursday, November 16 at 2PM in the Heritage Room. The program will be presented by Terry Howard, City Administrator, who will speak on "Conservation Tips" and "City Projects". Anyone interested in attending the program is encouraged and invited.

Storytime at the Library

Twenty one children attended Storytime at the Library November 1. Following toddlerobics and pledge to the flags, they sang Hokey-Pokey, and read fun books such as 'OH!'. They participated in guessing games by identifying animal clues in the books Eye Guess and Whose Nose and Toes, and saw the video Baby Animal Fun.

Attending were Kaitlyn Ward, Brie'lee Dominguez, Lance Taylor, Taryn, Brie and Deslise Willis, Kiarsen Harris, Ranger and Raven Harvey, Devon Walker, Tyler Hunphrey, Ellie and Casin Rusell, Abigail Grace, JoAnna and Jadon McAdams, Trenity and Asher Wall, Braleigh Lowrey. Storytime is held at 10 AM each Wednesday, and boys and girls ages 2,3, and 4 are invited to attend.

New museum meeting held in future home

Nine Plains citizens attended the first organization meeting for the museum to be housed in the 'Old Courthouse' building. Present were Jeannette Head, Sarah Jane Field, Anita Graham, L.J. Sanders, Dolores Davis, Mary Jo St. Romain, Betty Jo Estep, Sheila Stephens and Brenda Canada. Head chaired the meeting. A formal motion passed to name the facility the "Yoakum County Heritage and Arts Museum."

L.J. Sanders discussed possibilities of obtaining tax exempt status for the museum, which might be secured through the sponsorship of the Art Association.

Mrs. Head described her visit to the Denver City Museum for future plans. Work is taking place on the exhibit room, and volunteer carpenters and other workers are needed. A logo for the museum needs to be designed, along with a sign. Several members present indicated they would be willing to donate or loan display material for the museum, possibly including an antique telephone collection, walking cane and pocket knife collection.

Those at the meeting are hopeful the doors to the museum will be open by May, 2007, and are hopeful the young people in the county will frequent the museum.

The roster of Museum officers elected includes: Jeannette Head, Pres., David Sanders Vice-Pres., L.J. & Virginia Sanders, Secretary, Dolores Davis Treasurer, Sarah Jane Field Reporter, Scrap Book coordinator Melba Fitzgerald, and Brenda Canada, Mary Jo St. Romain, Wilma Powell, Dan and Linda Wall, Directors, Ty Powell, Ex-officio County Commissioner, and Sheila Stephens, Director and Art Association member.

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Hanna from Norway, 16 yrs. Likes skiing, swimming, dancing and art. Hanna hopes to join a drama club while in the USA.

Klaus from Germany, 17 yrs. Loves camping and playing soccer. Klaus' dream has been to spend a school year in the USA.

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