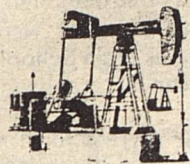


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STEER - NIKKI MCGINTY



BARROW - TANNER BLOUNT



LAMB - KYLE STEPHENS

Grand Champion Winners

County Stock Show Held Last Weekend

Nikki McGinty exhibited the Grand Champion Steer, Tanner Blount the Grand Champion Barrow and Kyle Stephens the Grand Champion Lamb in the 35th Annual Yoakum County Junior Livestock Show last weekend.

Reserve Grand Champion animals were shown by Brandon McGinty, steer; Marte Pierce, barrow and Blu Bennett, lamb.

Plains State Bank and Yoakum County State Bank shared the purchase of the Grand Champion Steer. CJR Contractors of Denver City purchased the Reserve Champion. The Grand Champion Swine and Reserve Champion were bought by Jim Barron and Jim Warren, respectively.

Plains State Bank was the buyer of the Grand Champion Lamb with Gene Bennett purchasing the Reserve Grand.

Kyle Stephens received the Steer Showmanship Award with presentation by Ty Earl Powell family. Yoakum County Farm Bureau presented Kevin Hart with the Barrow Showmanship. Lamb Showmanship Award went to Amy Jones with presentation by the Jack

London family.

Shane Faught was awarded the Rusty McGinty Award. It was presented by Mrs. Alma Lynn McGinty. Nikki McGinty was the recipient of the 4-H Management Award. Her presentation was by the Kenneth McGinty family. Danny Sellers presented the Heifer Showmanship Award to Brandon McGinty. Denver City FFA Chapter received the Herdsman Award.

Supreme Feed Mill annually presents a belt buckle to the exhibitor with the greatest number of points who has purchased Supreme Feed through a local dealer. Tanner Blount won the Top Flite buckle with an accumulation of 20 points.

Amy Jones was crowned Queen for selling the most memberships in Yoakum County Livestock Association. Her presentation was by last year's queen, Juhree Stowe. Finishing in second place was Nikki McGinty. Sally Burrus was third; Janet Weaver, fourth.

Carolyn Yeager of Carlsbad, N.M. was the winner of a \$200 gift certificate from The Cowboy Store in Brownfield with number 65 in Cowpatty Bingo. Presentation of

the gift certificate and the title "Cowpatty Queen" was by last year's winner, Sheila Ashburn.

Lebert Powell won the Weight Gain Contest. His steer gained 480 pounds in 234 days for an average of 1.8 pounds per day. Accepting his trophy was JoLena Powell.

Buyer's Luncheon was held in the Plains School Cafeteria. Barbecue, prepared by Rico Alcorta of Pay-N-Save Grocery, and all the trimmings were served from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Directors for this year's stock show were chairman, Bill Hays; 1st vice-chairman, Bruce Bennett; 2nd vice-chairman, Wayne Williams; 3rd vice-chairman, Chip Bennett and secretary, Lanny Smith. Other directors on the board of Yoakum County Livestock Association are Jerry Faught, Joe Kay, Donald Bales, C.L. Anderson, Richard Rafferty and Johnnie Fitzgerald.

Serving as General Superintendent was Bill Hays; Beef Cattle Superintendent, Bruce Bennett; Swine Superintendent, Jerry Faught; and Sheep Superintendent, Donald Bales. In charge of weighing animals were Wayne Williams and

C.L. Anderson.

Dorothy Anderson is the association's records chairman; Lanny Smith, awards chairman; Danny Nusser, showmanship and Dee Proctor, lamb classifier.

Auctioneer was provided by Herb Henderson & Associates.



1987 STOCK SHOW QUEEN, Amy Jones, at left is presented buckle by last year's honoree Juhree Stowe.

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Three Places Open In City Election

Five persons have filed as candidates for positions as city aldermen. Election to fill three places will be Saturday, April 4. Terms of W.L. McCravey, Hershel Smith and Jim Warren are expiring. Joining the three incumbents in filing were Frank Garza and Owen Schneider.

Banquet Program To Be Discussed

Plains Chamber of Commerce will hold its monthly meeting Tuesday March 3, at 7 a.m. in Johnnie's Restaurant.

The upcoming Chamber Banquet will be the main topic covered during the breakfast meeting. The banquet is set for Thursday, April 2.



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Obituaries

Nona Trout Rites Held Wednesday

Services for Nona M. Trout, 94, of Brownfield were held Wednesday, Feb. 18 at 2 p.m. in First Baptist Church. The Rev. Glenn Harlin, former pastor, the Rev. Alton West, pastor of Tokio Baptist Church in Tokio, and the Rev. Ken Horn, pastor, officiated.

Burial was in Terry County Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Brownfield Funeral Home.

She died Monday Feb. 16 in South Plains Nursing Center after a lengthy illness.

Mrs. Trout was born in Coleman County and moved to Fisher County before moving to Yoakum County. Her husband, Joseph R. Trout, died in 1943. A son, Joe, died in 1983. Two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren also preceded her in death. She was a member of Plains First Baptist Church.

Survivors include four sons, Lowell of Bonham, Clyde of Tokio, Charles of Big Lake and Royce of Hobbs, N.M.; two sisters, Lizzie Underwood of Rotan and Mildred Freeman of Midland; two brothers, Pat Helms of Blossom and Clarence Helms of Andrews; 10 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

Infant Grandson Buried In Shamrock

Graveside services were conducted at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 12 for Elwood Reynolds, infant son of David and Kathleen Reynolds of Shamrock, and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. A.E. McGinty.

The baby died shortly after birth in a Shamrock hospital Tuesday, Feb. 10.

Burial was in the Baby Garden of Shamrock Memorial Cemetery.

He is survived by his parents, two sisters, Melissa and Jennifer of the home; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A.E. McGinty; and Mr. and Mrs. Don Reynolds of Amarillo and great-grandmother, Mrs. E. Reynolds of Amarillo.

Plains Pride Begins Search For New Correspondent

Linda Carey, correspondent for The Plains Pride, leaves this week for a new home in Weatherford, located in Parker County. She and her husband, Les will be operating Parker Coffee Shop.

Involved in the restaurant business awhile back, Linda and Les along with Venum and Judy Fitzgerald owned and operated J & L Country Kitchen. The restaurant closed last summer.

Les has served as Hillside Church of Christ minister the past nine and a half years. The family moved to Plains from Wellman in the latter part of 1977.

Linda has also served as a "substitute" employee at Plains Appliance Center, was a partner in J & L Draperies and enjoyed baking

and decorating cookies and cakes for the community.

The Carey's have three daughters, Robin, Cheryl and Jill. All were graduated from Plains High School. They have a two-year-old grandson, Brandon.

"Linda has done a great job for the newspaper and we hate to lose her," state Publishers Joe and Debbie Alcorta. "We are in the process of finding another correspondent to take her place." Those interested in collecting news should leave name and number at the Plains Library or Pay-N-Save Grocery.

Commissioners' Court

Yoakum County Commissioners Court met Monday in special session. Bids for the 1981 Chevrolet station wagon were opened from Aubrey Altman, \$525; Darwin Hobbs, \$799.99 and Jack Cobb, \$666.66. Hobbs' high bid was accepted.

County board and committee members were appointed or re-appointed effective with the regular February session.

Resignations of Toni Jones and Sherry McGinty from the Child Welfare Board were accepted and L.J. Saunders and Wayne House appointed to fill their vacancies.

A letter was read from Yoakum Soil and Water Conservation District expressing gratitude for the county's grant to the District to be used strictly for the salary of Beverly Lowrey, clerk.

The report of Tax Assessor-Collector for January was approved. Collection of 98 percent of 1986 taxes was reported.

Bills were approved for payment. A contract with Yoakum County State Bank was accepted as County Depository Pledge Contract. Also approved was a plat of Roper Draw Estates No. 1, a subdivision in Section 28, Block C-35, Public School Land with list of restrictions included.

Permission was approved for a pipeline crossing of county road P-10 by AMOCO Pipeline Company.

Decision on hospitalization insurance was postponed.

Plains Residents 'Left In The Dark'

Violent winds Saturday, Feb. 14 inflicted damages which resulted in the loss of power in Plains. Four transmission poles belonging to Lea County Electric were knocked down approximately 3:15 p.m.

Hampered by the strong winds, crews obtained replacement poles from Lovington and had power restored by approximately 12:30 a.m.



Filmtime

Children attending Filmtime Wednesday morning, Feb. 18 in the Yoakum County Library enjoyed viewing Pedro and the Chipmunk films. "Big Dipper, Little Dipper and Wishing Star" was also read to the group of youngsters.

Boys and girls attending were Christina Barrientes, Jesus Mendias, Ty Shearman, Anne and Bradley Palmer, Tarran and Keenan Hancock, Scott Sears, Sharla Vantine, Justin Taylor, Kimberly and Sarah Martinez, Leslie Rowe, Jayce Clayton, Lacey Crawford, Linzie Rust, Staci Tuggle, Kelton and Ashlei Mason, Joshua and Daniel Clay, Nichole Newsom, Velvet Canada, Patrick and Christopher McGinty and Brett Squyres.

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Diamonds Described Monday For ABWA Plains Chapter

Texas Plains Charter Chapter of American Business Women's Association met for their regular meeting Monday, Feb. 16 at 7 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Vaughn Culwell.

Randy Brantley, jeweler and custom designer from Brownfield, held an informative program on diamonds and gem stones. A slide presentation was given on the life of a diamond, from the time it is mined until it becomes a finished product.

Mr. Brantley presented the members with their annual fund raising project, a custom designed necklace of blue topaz and diamonds. Members will be accepting \$1 donations. The necklace will be given away April 20.

Susie Brantley was welcomed as a new member. Attending were Cindy

Davis, Dolores Davis, Clara Williams, Janelle Brantley, Carolyn Culwell, Linda Wall, Jean Patton, Kathy Jones and one guest, Leslie Patton.

Next meeting will be Monday, April 20 at 7 p.m.

Jodie Harris Reviews Boys State

Plains Lions Club met Thursday, Feb. 19 for their regular noon luncheon meeting at the Scout Hut.

Jodie Harris, speaking of Boys State, was the club's guest.

The club will meet Thursday March 5 for a regular noon luncheon meeting in the Scout Hut.



SOMETHING IN COMMON -- Kelly McGinty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McGinty, and her cat, Prissy, console each other over broken limbs. Kelly broke her arm Jan. 31 in a fall from hay. Two weeks later Prissy suffered a broken leg. Both are looking forward to respective check-ups and freedom from their casts.

Cooking With Herbs, Spices Topic Of Gardener's Program

Plains Dirt Gardeners' Garden Club members gathered for a Monday afternoon meeting Feb. 16 at 2:30 in the Clubroom of the old courthouse building.

Mrs. Mary D. Williams, County Extension Agent presented a program "Cooking With Herbs & Spices" beginning with the history of herbs and spices. Members attending were given recipes for sodium-free seasonings.

Plans were made to attend District I Annual Spring Convention of Texas Garden Clubs, Inc. in Midland March 10-11 and to participate in the annual "Trash & Treasure Sale".

The club's annual Plant and Miscellaneous Garage Sale will be held April 3-4 beginning at 9 a.m. The sale will end at noon the following day.

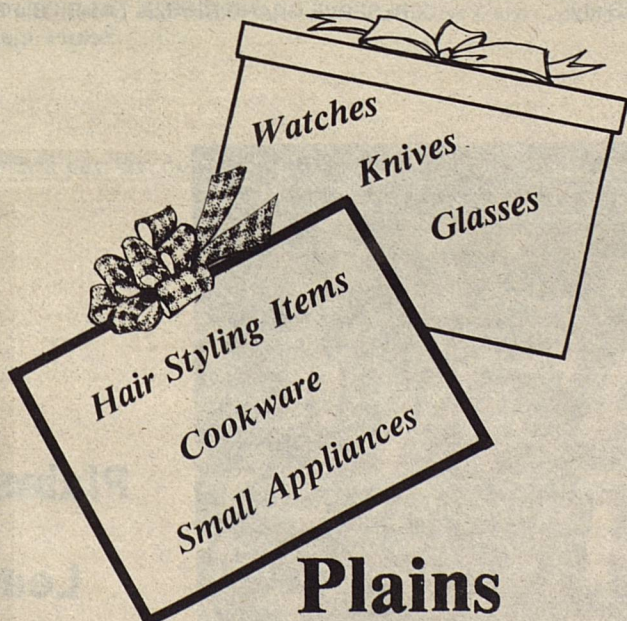
Materials for American Heart Association canvass were distributed to members.

Hostesses Mrs. Neil Parks and Mrs. Harry Richardson served cookies, chips, dips, vegies, coconut-banana slices, coffee and soft drinks to ten members and two guests.

The club's next meeting will be a covered dish luncheon held in the home of Mrs. Neil Parks Monday, Mar. 16. The program to be given will be on transplanting annuals and perennials.



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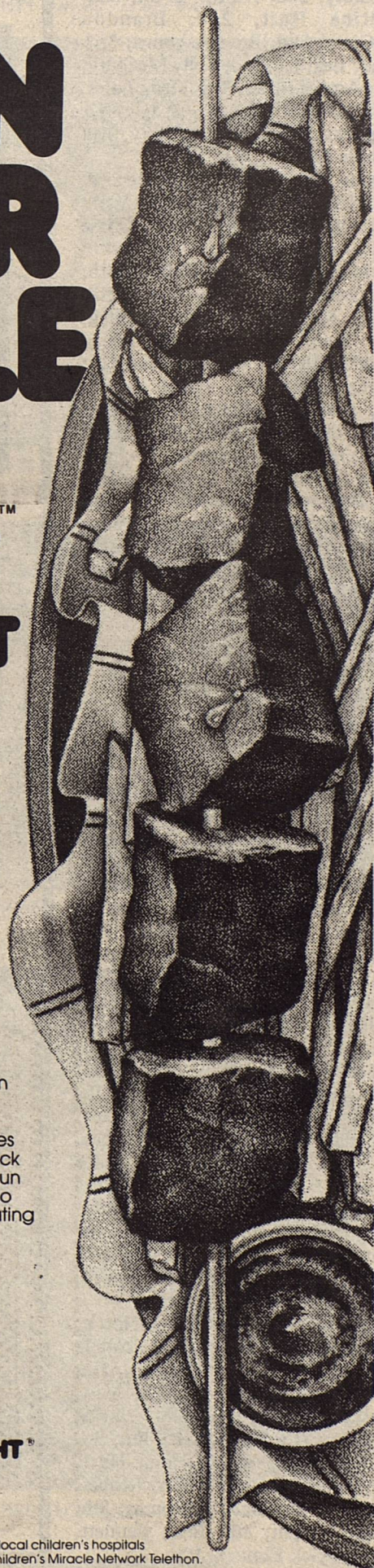
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Results of the show are:



STEERS - Paul Emmert, 2nd; Lebert Powell, 2nd; Jud Reed, 3rd; Kyle Stephens, 3rd, 4th; Bill Gravitt, 4th; Brad Bell, 5th; Nikki McGinty, 5th; Johnny Spears, 6th.



SWINE - Allen Ward, 1st; Kyle Stephens, 1st; Marshall Bales, 1st; Blaine McWhirter, 1st; Tanner Blount, 1st; Jacob Thomas, 1st; Amy Jones, 1st; Jeff Lowrey, 2nd; Nikki McGinty, 2nd; Kipp Blount, 2nd; Johnny Gaskins, 2nd; Kelly McGinty, 2nd; Amber Brian, 2nd; Katrina Hart, 2nd; Brandon McGinty, 2nd; Brad Ashburn, 3rd; Tracy Bearden, 3rd; Kelly McGinty, 3rd; Amber Brian, 3rd; Mark Bales, 3rd; Darryl Bales, 3rd; Kyle Stephens, 3rd; Nikki McGinty, 3rd; Robbie Faught, 3rd.

Amy Jones, 4th; Matt Record, 4th; Brad Ashburn, 4th; Chad Wall, 4th; Michael Hart, 4th; Chase Clanahan, 4th; Robbie Faught, 4th; Kevin Hart, 4th; Scott Bullock, 4th; Bill Reed, 5th; Allen Ward, 5th; Blake McWhirter; Dan Rushing, 5th; Jacob Thomas, 5th; Shane Faught, 5th, 6th; Monte Pierce, 6th; Heath Lusty, 6th; Lance James, 6th; Jonathan Teaff, 6th; Dusty Brian, 6th; Stacy Jones, 6th; Darryl Bales, 6th; Keith Earnest, 7th; Anthony Asebeda, 7th; Kyle Bearden, 7th; Brandon McDonnell, 7th; Kipp Blount, 7th; Chad Wall, 7th; Dusty Rafferty, 7th; Scott Lowrey, 8th, 8th; Marcey House, 8th; Brad Bell, 8th; Shane Lowrey, 8th; Doug Rushing, 9th.



LAMBS - Brandon Williams, 1st; Bill Gravitt, 1st; Chris Spencer, 1st; Jason Thomas, 1st; Amy Jones, 1st; Dusty Rafferty, 1st; Kyle Stephens, 1st; Darryl Bales, 2nd; Rusty Bennett, 2nd; Keith Earnest, 2nd; Marshall Bales, 2nd; Keith Earnest, 2nd; Lebert Powell, 2nd; Chad Wall, 2nd; Monte Pierce, 3rd; Jennifer Earnest, 3rd; Mark Bales, 3rd; Kenley Powell, 3rd; Harlan Lusty, 3rd; Mitzi Bennett, 3rd; Brandon McGinty, 3rd; Brad Bell, 3rd; Cody Williams, 4th; Alisa Williams, 4th; Mark Bales, 4th; Darce Pierce, 4th; JoLena Powell, 4th; Jimmy Gibson, 4th; Kelly McGinty, 4th; Kris Tipton, 4th; Matt Williams, 5th; JoLena Powell, 5th; Amy Jones, 5th; Raecene Robertson, 5th; Billy Spears, 5th; Brad Bell, 5th; Chris Spencer, 5th; Raecene Robertson, 5th; Cody Williams, 6th; Shane Faught, 6th; Heath Lusty, 6th; Lance Bennett, 6th; Lebert Powell, 6th; Rodney Garland, 6th.

Harlan Lusty, 6th; Kris Tipton, 6th; Marshall Bales, 7th; Robbie Faught, 7th; Jason Thomas, 7th; Yancey House, 7th; Chris Gravitt, 7th; Johnny Spears, 7th; Patrick Durham, 7th; Roy Franco, 7th; Billy Robertson, 8th; Randall Huff, 8th; Jim Stevenson, 8th; Robert Simpson, 8th; Jacob Thomas, 8th; Shane Faught, 8th; Beau Bennett, 9th; Patrick Elmore, 10th.

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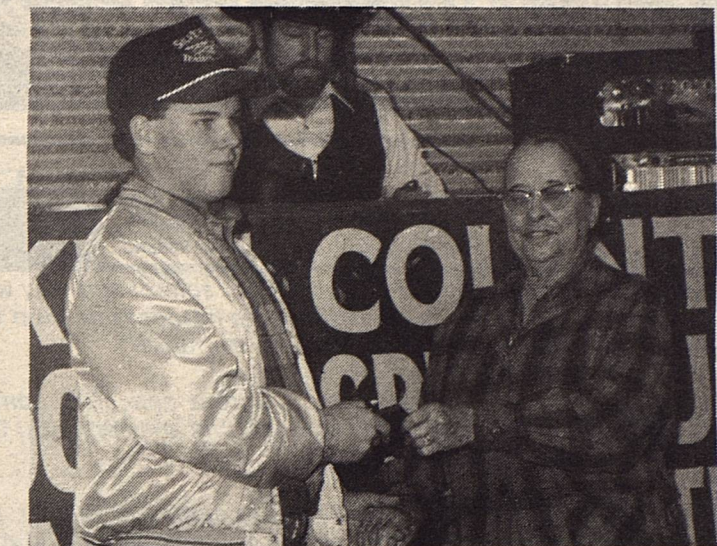
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COWPATTY BINGO WINNER - Carolyn Yeager



RUSTY MCGINTY AWARD - Shane Faught



GRAND CHAMP. STEER - Nikki McGinty



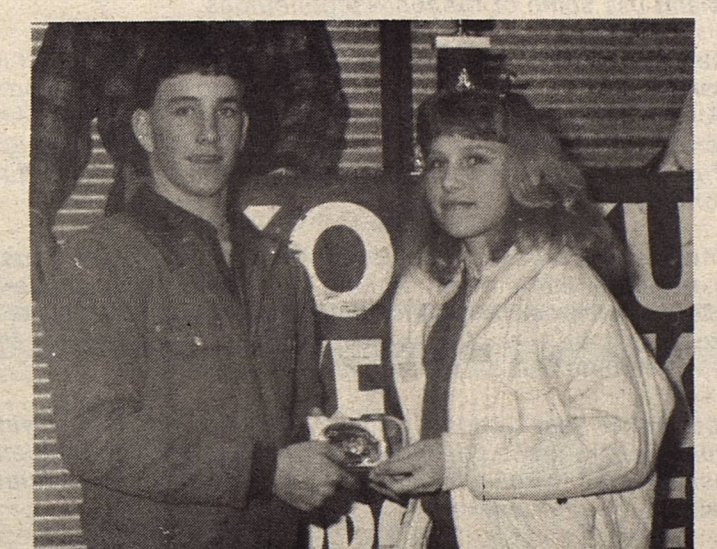
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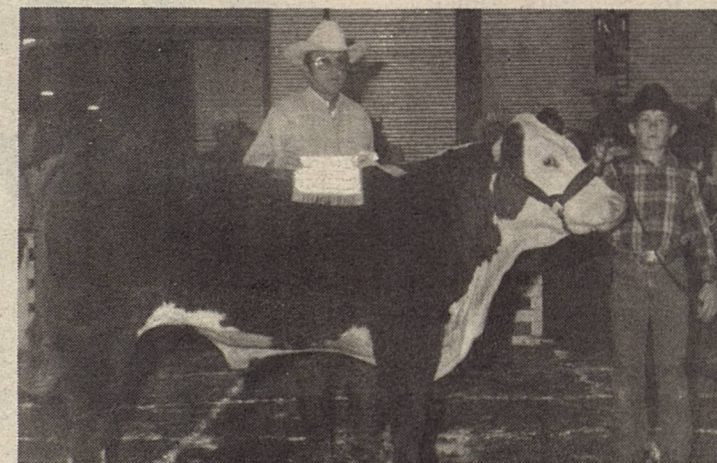
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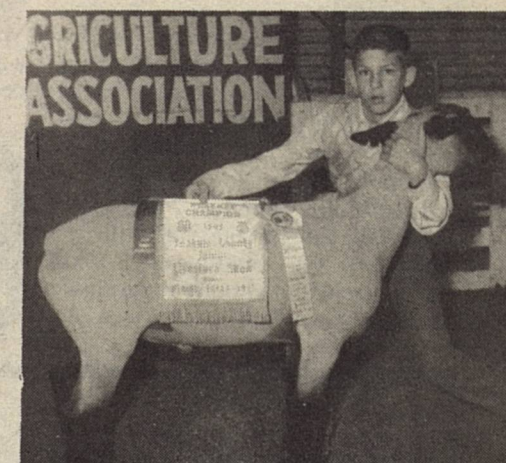
TOP FLITE BUCKLE - Tanner Blount



STEER SHOWMANSHIP - Kyle Stephens



RESERVE GRAND CHAMP. STEER - Brandon McGinty



RESERVE GRAND CHAMP. LAMB - Blu Bennett



RESERVE GRAND CHAMP. BARROW - Marte Pierce



WEIGHT GAIN - Jolena Powell for Lebert Powell



4-H MANAGEMENT - Nikki McGinty



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LAMB SHOWMANSHIP - Amy Jones

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Plains Independent School District

From The Superintendent's Desk

DEAN ANDREWS



I am asked many questions each day about our school and why we must do things in certain ways, but I think the hardest question to try to answer is, "How do we teach children to think?"

The question was asked last week by a parent and after some thought, I gave the following answer. Perhaps this answer might be of help to other parents and students.

We all are aware of the importance of being a competent thinker, to be able to analyze facts, solve problems and defend opinions. Many of our teachers wrap their instruction on thinking around everyday lessons and use some of the following methods.

When new information is taught, students should compare that information with facts already known. "Matching" can categorize words for pre-schoolers. Matching up such words as duck and hen with the word bird, is a good example. High school students might categorize wartime figures such as Hitler and Napoleon according to personality traits.

Another way to encourage competent thinking is to give students a way to evaluate information. Asking such questions as: Is it unusual? Is it common knowledge? If it isn't common knowledge, is there proof? Is there enough proof to prove reliable?" can teach the student to evaluate and categorize items and thoughts.

It is important to help students to develop a good problem-solving framework. Students should learn to first understand the problem, then design a plan to solve it, carry out the plan, and then evaluate and decide if the plan worked.

Another good way to encourage students is to use "guided imagery". This method is often used to teach children important or hard to group information. In guided imagery, the student imagines an event or an experience. Also it is helpful to teach a child to elaborate, to extend circumstances of things read or seen. Imagination can play an important part in a child's learning experiences.

Encourage students to set goals. Ask them to decide what they think they should achieve within a time frame. Encourage your child to write down their goals and then evaluate them periodically to see if they are "on target".

The most important steps in developing a competent thinker is to practice what you are teaching, to be consistent, and to encourage each learner.

This information may be helpful to parents and students, if there are other questions you might like to ask, please call on me and we will do our best to find an answer.

Little Dribblers

Youth basketball action Feb. 5 found the Bulls whipping the Rockets, 53-40, Lakers handing the Celtics a 36-21 loss and Mavericks besting the Sixers, 35-23.

Scoring for the Rockets were Brad McMinn, 22, and Victor Bernal, 18. Ladd Winn brought home 41 points for the Bulls. Shannon Ward had 6; Joe DeFries, 4.

Lance Cole scored 26 for the Lakers with Jamey Garland and Casey Forbus getting 4 and 2,

respectively. For the Celtics, it was Joe Guerra, 10; Chris Payne, 7; David Bitolas, 4 and Arthur Barrientes, 1.

Mavericks' high scorer was Brad Ashburn with 24; Stoney Garland, 6, and Blaine McWhirter, 4. Lenny Morrow, Jr. Arispe and Ricky Gonzales had 6 each for the Sixers while Jimmy Robertson picked up 2 and Scotty Rains, 1.

Games played Feb. 9 began with the Mavericks playing the Hoyas. The Mavericks came up with 50 point total and Hoyas, short with 28. Brad Ashburn contributed 24 points, while Stoney Garland added an additional 20 points. The Hoyas' top scoring players were Will Green, putting in 22 points and Leon Perez, 4.

Ricky Gonzales scored 13 points as high scorer on the Sixers victory against the Hawks, 33-28. Scott Rains contributed 8, Lenny Morrow and Jr. Arispe, 7 each. Hawks' Michael Sainz managed 14 points and Jerry Dominguez, 7.

The final game of the evening brought the Bulls a 46-7 win against the Lakers. For the Bulls, it was Ladd Winn popping the net for 26 points and Shannon Ward adding 13. Chris Payne was high scorer for the Lakers getting in 5 points and Greg Salas, contributed 2.

Plains Math/Science Team Continues Winning Streak

The Plains Math/Science Team captured its third straight sweepstakes trophy Feb. 14 at Lubbock Monterey. The team defeated 28 other small schools.

In the sophomore division in calculator, Chad Guetersloh was first and Phillip Cowart fifth. In the junior division, Shane McMinn was first and Micah Stowe was second. The calculator team brought home the second place team trophy losing first only by five points.

Lance Morrow placed fifth in the freshman division in number sense. In the junior division, Jesse Flores placed fourth and Shane McMinn sixth. The number sense team placed sixth overall.

In the sophomore division in science, Chad Guetersloh placed tenth. In the senior division, Joe

Harris placed second. Joe Harris placed fourth in chemistry and fifth in physics in the individual fields of science. The science team placed fourth overall.

Competing in the freshman division in mathematics, Lance Morrow placed second and Nieves Garcia third. In the sophomore division, Chad Guetersloh placed second. In the junior division, Shane McMinn placed first and Jesse Flores tenth. The Mathematics team placed third overall.

The coaches were extremely pleased with the win and everyone's effort this year. The team has been able to win three of four meets they have attended this year. Coaches for the team are Richie Cullins, number sense; Mackey McWhirter, science; and Larry Devitt, calculator.

Plains Takes Sweepstakes Win In Own UIL Practice Meet

Plains hosted a UIL practice math/science meet Feb. 7. Twenty-six schools with 402 students participated.

In Junior High Division 5th and 6th grades, Tracy Bearden placed sixth in number sense. The number sense team placed third. In mathematics, Tracy Bearden placed second and Roy Fitzgerald, eighth. The mathematics team placed second.

In the 7th and 8th grade number sense division, Vee Ann Fitzgerald placed fifth, Wendie Alexander, ninth and Lacy McAdams, tenth. The team placed second.

In 7th and 8th grade mathematics, Vee Ann Fitzgerald placed sixth and Layne Morrow, seventh. The team earned third place.

On the high school level there were two divisions, large school and small school. In the large school division there were eight schools entered and in the small school category there were 18.

In small division calculator, Shane McMinn placed first, Micah

Stowe, sixth and Chad Guetersloh, seventh. The calculator team was presented the first place trophy.

Shane McMinn placed second and Chad Guetersloh, fourth in small schools division, number sense. The team claimed the first place trophy.

In mathematics, small school division, Shane McMinn placed first and Chad Guetersloh, eighth. The team placed third.

Competing in science, small school division, Joe Harris placed first. In Chemistry and Physics, Joe Harris won the gold medal in individual areas. The Science team placed second.

Plains won sweepstakes in math and science by taking first place with a total of 2080 points. Shallowater finished second with 1930 points.

In Accounting, Jeff Baum placed first, Tonya Lowrey, fifth and Ruth Diaz, sixth. The team won first place.

Typing competition found Veronica Gonzales placing third and Lisa Flores, ninth. The typing team placed third.

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