


TEXAS RECYCLE DAY was promoted by the Plains High School student council with a poster contest. First place award of $\$ 5$ went to Justin Chambliss. Second and third place went to Liz Wilmeth and Grady McNabb.

## Cowboys fall to Wink, 26-10 to end successful 1994 season

The Cowboys put up a valiant fight to earn the bi-district playoff title at Denver City's Mustang Stadium Friday night, but it was not to be.

The first half of the game was dominated by the Cowboys. Plains, which finished its season with a 9-2 record, ate up 10:22 of the clock in the first quarter. A 24 -yard field goal by Victor Bernal with 3:53 left in the first quarter was the only score for either team.

In the second half, domination seem to continue. Stephen Bitolas, who had a game-high 135 yards rushing on 22 carries, shot through a huge hole and outran the Wink secondary for a 37 -yard touchdown that gave the Cowboys a 10-0 lead with 10:16 left in the third quarter.

But the Wink Wildcats, who did not get a first down until the second quarter and had just 78 yards of total offense in the first half, suddenly came alive late in the third quarter.

Plains had driven to midfield and was forced to punt. Cowboys' punter Bernal, who had the snap sail over his head, chased the ball down and got off a wobbly punt that was downed at the Cowboys 49.

Seven plays later, Wink went in

## Refreshments to be served by Plains State Bank during tour

As a good will gesture and to show the burgundy and gold decorations designed by Novella Mason of Meadow, Plains State Bank will provide refreshments for the Plains Methodist Church Home Tour, slated Dec. 7 from 7 to 9 p.m.

Door prizes, donated by Renaissance Flowers and Gifts, will be drawn at 9:30 p.m. at the bank.

Homes to be toured include Peggy
and Kent Welch, Edith and Randy Tuggle, Kathy and Danny Bell, Karen and Rickey Bearden and Vicki and Brad Ancinec.

Tickets may be obtained from any member of the church or chairpersons Bobbie Gayle, Sarah Guetersloh or Wilma Powell.

Residents are invited to begin the Christmas Season by participating in the home tour.

## Math/Science teams finish third against larger schools at contest

on a 13-yard run to make the score 106 with only $4: 40$ left in the third stanza. The Cowboys appeared to regain

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Competing against one, two and three A schools, Plains finished third overall out of the ten teams participating in Math/Science competition at Seminole Nov. 12.

Two seniors, Ken McAdams and Brad McMinn; two juniors, Valarie Blair and Johnny Don Davis; one sophomore, Yancey House; and three freshmen, Shawn Cullins, Shawna Box and Heath Bowlin, were members of the teams.

Second overall was the number sense team with Brad placing second

## Denver City girl wins State honor

Julie Hancock, 4-H member of Denver City, will be among the 1400 youth gathering in Orlando, Fla. for the 73rd National 4-H Congress, which will be held Dec. 3-7.

Joan Chandler, Yoakum County Extension Agent-FCS, said, "Being selected to attend this week-long national activity is quite an honor. I am not aware of any other Yoakum County 4 -H'er ever winning a trip to National 4-H Congress in the 73 years that Congress has been in existence. Local leaders know of no other winners from at least the last 25 years."

Julie won the honor by having the state winning Conservation of Natural Resources 4-H Record Book, which provides a history of her entire 4-H career. In her main project area, Julie has been a teen leader, helping teach youth about water conservation, soil erosion, use and management of trees grown on farms, and recycling.

She is presently serving as the Denver City 4-H Club president and second vice president of the South Plains District 4-H Council.

As a winner, she will receive a $\$ 500$ college scholarship and will have one-half of her expenses paid to attend National 4-H Congress. According to Ms. Chandler, "Several local donors have provided some assistance to help her fund the remaining cost of the trip."

Those who have contributed include the Yoakum Soil and Water Conservation District, Yoakum County Family and Community Education Council, Renaissance Flowers and Gifts in Plains, and Yoakum County Extension Home Economics Committee.

Ms. Chandler noted, "Julie is still in need of donations. If a business or organization would like to make a con-

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and Ken fourth in the senior division; and Cullins earning first and Shawna, fifth in the freshman division.

Also placing second overall was the calculator team. Brad was first and Ken was fifth in the senior division; Yancey was fifth in the sophomore division. In the freshman division, Heath was third, Shawna, sixth, and Shawn, eighth.

Mathematics team placed fourth overall with Brad earning second in the senior division and Shawn, fifth and Shawna, ninth, in the freshman division.

The science team placed third overall. Ken placed first; and Brad fifth in the senior division; Valarie placed ninth in the junior division; Yancey, tenth in the sophomore division; and Shawn, fifth in the freshman division.

## Reminder of sale of windbreak trees

Residents are reminded that windbreak trees may now be order from the Yoakum Soil and Water Conservation District, which sponsors a program to purchase windbreak trees for use in yards, fields, wildlife and other conservation plantings.

Quantities are limited and the deadline for ordering is Jan. 1, 1995.

For more information or to place an order, contact Yoakum Soil and Water Conservation District at 4563703 or come by the office located at 1303 Brownfield Highway in Plains.


BIRTHDAYS CELEBRATED at Filmtime this past week were by Landon and Dakota Earnest, Morgan Willis, Ashton Blomstedt and Stephanie Addison.

## Filmtime at Yoakum County Library

Filmtime this week at the Yoakum County Library was birthday celebration time and Thanksgiving celebration time. Birthdays were celebrated by Dakota and Landon Earnest, Morgan Willis, Ashton Blomstedt and Stephanie Addison. Cookies, chocolate covered muffins, little turkey popcorn ball goodies, different flavored squeezies to drink and sacks with oranges, candy and pictures to color were given to the children by mothers, Sharon Willis, Becky Blomstedt, Judy Addison and Kellie Earnest.

Following the pledge to the U.S. and Texas flags, the children sang "Old Mac Donald," "Ten Little Indi-

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ans," "I'm a Little Tea Pot," and "Duck, Duck, Goose." Films viewed include "Test Pilot Donald" and "Little Toot."

Attending Filmtime were Ryan Crump; Alfredo Martinez; Briana Carina Contreras; Marcos Rivera; Katie Winn; Kenyon Powell; Wyatt and Lee Dearing; Holden, Hunter and Hale Welch; Landon and Dakota Earnest; Britnie Duran; Lepusk Jimenez; Courtney Asebedo; Amber and Cody Friesen; Lauren Hise; Ashten and Cody Blomstedt; Katelynn Young; Kevin John Gass; Christopher and Stephanie Addison; Trent and Brett Hawthorne; Morgan Willis; Marissa Melendez; Chelsea Sellers; Joani and Jaaron Bell; Lauren Davis; Cody Mayes; Brandon Craft and Rhaela Stall.

## Soil Conservation Service gets new identity, program

The Department of Agriculture's Soil Conservation Service (SCS) recently took on a new identity as the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) as it streamlines its operations and take son new program responsibilities. The new agency was authorized under the reorganization ordered Oct. 20, 1994 by Agriculture Secretary Mike Espy.

According to Mario Avila, District Conservationist for Yoakum County, "The new Natural Resources Conservation Service will continue to have responsibility for all the programs of the former Soil Conservation Service. In addition, several other programs have been transferred to it, including the Wetland Reserve Program, the Waterbank Program, the Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Program and the Great Plains Conservation Program.
"We are working to make this a smooth transition for our customers," said Paul Johnson, chief of the agency. "And we will continue to build on 60 years of a unique relationship between federal government and this nation's private landowners as well as our conservation district and state agency partners. It is a relationship built on voluntary programs, technical assistance and conservation cost-share programs."

Johnson said farmers, ranchers and other customers of the agency can continue to receive the same assistance they have from the Soil Conservation Service during the transition period.
"Throughout this process, we will keep our customers and our employees well informed," said Johnson. "And we will stay connected to their ideas and concerns."

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##  <br> Dough-It-Yourself

 Christmas Decorations2 cups all-purpose flour
(not self-rising)
1 cup Morton ${ }^{\text {S }}$ Salt
1 cup water
Food color, optional
Combine flour and salt in a large flat-bottomed bowl. Mix well. Form into a ball by mixing in a little water at a time. If you want colored ornaments, add food color to the dough. Be sure to knead 7-10 minutes until the dough has smooth, firm consistency. Add a little more water if necessary.

Now you're ready to make a bell, a star, a Christmas treeor Santa. Just roll out the dough $1 / 4$ inch thick. Cut ornament shapes out of the dough using cookie cutters. Make a small hole at the top of the ornament for thread to hang the finished product. Bake on a foil-covered cookie sheet at 325 degrees for about 30 minutes or until golden brown. Allow to cool. You can then paint the ornaments with water color, acrylic or enam-el-and varnish or shellac for a lasting finish.

NEW BOOKS (for teens at Yoakum County Library)

Riding in Cars With Boys by Donofrio
Silver Kiss by Klause
Knot in the Granin \& Other Stories by McKinley
Gathering by Carmody
Farewell to Arms by Hemingway Catcher in the Rye by Salinger
Beauty \& the Beast by Brett

## NEW VIDEOS

My Father the Hero
Philadelphia
Rudy
First Blood
Short Circuit I
Deerslayer
A Tour of Atlanta
The books and videos listed above have been requested by teens. We hope they will be enjoyed.


## Thrifty.

Everyone who owns a home of any size in Texas has asked those timeless questions, "How can I lower my home energy bills? How can I lower my taxes?" One answer is propane. Propane is the fiscally correct energy fuel that cooks your food, heats your water, dries your clothes and warms your home. Propane won't waste your hard-earned dollars and it won't pollute our Texas skies. Propane. The clean choice. The clear choice. It can lower your home energy bills. We'll get back to you about those taxes.


## Tsa Mo Ga Study Club hosted by Sarah Shelton, Gwen Carter

Sarah Jane Shelton and Gwen Carter hosted the Tsa Mo Ga Study Club meeting Nov. 14 at 7 p.m. in the club house.

David Brunson, city manager of Plains, was introduced by president Sit Jones as speaker for the evening.

Brunson explained the city's position on meeting the EPA mandates without funding to accompany the work. He also talked about the cost of running the city and shared ten myths about environmental conditions.

Following the program, the business session was called to order by Ms. Jones. Pledges to the U.S. and Texas flags were recited and the roll call was answered by nine members and three new members, Kimberly Gass, Bobbie Gayle and Holly Dyer. Also present was a guest, Homer Shelton.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and Delores Davis suggested that names of new members voted on in the previous meeting should be added to the minutes. Those members are Kimberly Gass, Bobbie Gayle, Holly Dyer, Lois Miller and Ruth Shoemaker. The minutes were approved, following the amendment.

Treasurer Toni Jones said the existing bank balance was $\$ 259.40$ as of Nov. 14. She also reported receiving an electric bill from Lea County Electric Company for the club house.

Mrs. Shelton reported on the General Federation of Women's Club meeting which was held in Denver


DAVID BRUNSON

City Nov. 5. Nine members from Tsa Mo Ga attended the meeting. She also stated that an estimated value should be placed on each gift for veterans, stating that the veteran's gift box would be placed at the Yoakum County Library so that anyone who wanted to contribute gifts could do so.

A reminder to members to bring a gift for Girls' Town to the Dec. 12 meeting was made by Mrs. Shelton. She also reminded them about the Christmas celebration in Tsa Mo Ga Pioneer Plaza Park Nov: 30 at 5:45 p.m.

Mattie Field led members in reciting the club collect and the meeting was adjourned.

## Older Americans are target of phony investment scams

Older Americans are increasingly the favorite targets of scanners using the U.S. mail and interstate telephone lines to pitch crooked investment schemes, warns Postal Inspectors. These schemes have included the crooked financial planner that offered "muni-unit trusts"; phony savings clubs and gemstone telemarketers. The familiar pattern: Investors or victims bankroll the scammers' high rolling lifestyle rather than earning the promised high returns on their investments! Postal Inspectors have this advice for potential investors. Be wary of high pressure sales tactics, promises of high investment returns and minimal risks. Take the time to check out the reputation of the offeror by contacting state and federal regulatory agencies. Seek advice from a trusted friend or family member and seek professional counsel before investing. Remember, when it comes to making sound investment decisions, nothing returns more on your investment than doing your homework before you part with your cash. You can call the BBB, 24 hours at 763-0459.

Telemarketing has become an increasingly popular way to legitimately contact numerous potential customers quickly and easily in an effort to sell a variety of products and services. At the
same time, however, it has also become a common mode of defrauding thousands of consumers who may be called about sweepstakes and prize promotions, "free" vacations and travel certificates, "no-risk" investment opportunities or "charitable" donations. Your Better Business Bureau, in answer to the many questions that we receive every day about these types of gimmicks, has published a brochure called "TIPS ON AVOIDING TELEMARKETING FRAUD" which outlines the most prevalent types of telemarketing frauds, including "reloading," "recovery" and "cyberschemes" and offers tips on how to detect and avoid these scams. For your free copy, send a self-addressed, stamped, business-size envelope to BBB, 1206 14th., Suite 901, Lubbock, Tx 79401.


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## ON THIS DAY WE GIVE THANKS

In the spirit of peace and cooperation that made the first Thanksgiving possible, we offer our thanks and best wishes to everyone.
Two J-S Flying Service


We Have Plenty To Give Thanks For

Good food, loving families, and warm friends like you make Thanksgiving a most special day. Enjoy!

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JASON ROBERTSON, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Robertson, and a junior at PHS, has been nominated by Byron Morgan as Student of the Week. Mr. Morgan stated, "Jason is very dependable." Dependable to depend means to trust, rely or place belief or hope often without alternative recourse - that is Jason. I can always depend on Jason to do whatever needs to be done. He helps with teaching of drill to underclassmen and he is a true leader for the trombone section. Jason is also involved in Cross Country.


## Nineteen new members

 inducted into Plains NHSNineteen new members were in ducted into the National Honor Society in ceremonies held Wednesday, Nov 16, at 10 a.m. in the auditorium.

NHS president Ken McAdams opened the ceremony by leading the Pledge of Allegiance, after which he spoke on the history of the organization.

Speeches were given by each of the officers on the four qualifications of NHS. The president told about schol arship; vice president Brad McMinn leadership; secretary Jennifer Earnest, character; and reporter Bellen Coronado, service;

New members were announced and at that time, they were "pinned" by their parents. New members include Gilbert Ortiz, Stacey Jones, Misty Willett, Kirk Parrish, Johnny Don Davis, Brad Seaton, Josh Traweek, Steve Vasquez, Chase Clanahan, Mary Morales, Yancey House, Jacob Lester, Tessa St.Romain, Sonia Avila, Lyndi Rowe, Robin Squyres, Kyley Bearden, Stephen Bitolas and Allen Wards.

Following the pinning ceremony, all new and old members recited the NHS Pledge. A reception followed in the auditorium foyer for all members and their families, courtesy of Plains ISD.

NHS was chartered in 1957 to promote the importance of academics in high school. In order to qualify to

## SCHOOL EVENTS

## NOV. 28 - DEC 3

 MONDAY - Basketball, O'Donnell, 7th \& 8th girls/boys, here, 5 p.m. TUESDAY - Basketball, Seagraves, JV/V girls/boys, here, 5 p.m. THURSDAY - Basketball, Plains JV Tourney, JV girls/boys.FRIDAY - Basketball, SAnds, V girls, here, 6:30 p.m.
SATURDAY - Basketball, Plains JV Tourney continues. Time T
become a member, a student must be at least a sophomore, show leadership, service, character and have at least an 88 grade average. Members are approved and must receive a majority vote from a faculty council.

Current members are Amber Bryan, Victor Bernal, Bellen Coronado, Jennifer Earnest, Ken McAdams, Shannon Ward, Ladd Winn, Dusty Beckham Valdez, Brad McMinn, Valerie Blair, Heather McDonnell and Jeremy Dearing. Advisor is Plains High School Counselor, Arlon Alexander


## NOV. 28 - DEC. 3

## BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Cereal, toast, grape juice, milk.
TUESDAY - Donuts, toast, apple juice, milk.
WEDNESDAY - French toast sticks w/ syrup, toast, orange juice, milk. THURSDAY - Pancakes, syrup, fruit punch, milk.
FRIDAY - Cereal, toast, orange/pineapple juice, milk.

## LUNCH

MONDAY - Chicken sandwiches, lettuce leaf, sliced pickles, French fries, catsup, sliced peaches, milk. TUESDAY - Taco salad, cheese, shredded lettuce, chopped tomatoes, crackers, pear half, milk.
WEDNESDAY - Cheesebyrger, lettuce leaf, sliced tomatoes, sliced pickles, onion rings, chips, mixed fruit, chocolate chip cookies, milk.
THURSDAY - Stew, pinto beans, Kosher spear, cornbread, peach cobbler, milk.
FRIDAY - Chicken friend steak, cream gravy, creamed potatoes, carrot sticks, hot rolls, Jell-O, milk.

## THANKS!

Please allow me to take this opportunity to sincerely thank the people of Precinct \#4 and Yoakum County for the support you have afforded us in the past four years as Commissioner of Precinct \#4. We sincerely thank you for your support in the previous elections. We look forward to serving the people of Precinct \#4 and Yoakum County in the future.

Please let me know if we can be of service, and I pray God's blessing on the people of Yoakum County.

Sincerely
Macky McWhirter


## assist Soil ConservationService

In 1981, Congress authorized the Soil Conservation Service (SCS) to accept volunteers to increase soil and water conservation efforts. These Earth Team Volunteers provide an effective volunteer work force to assist SCS staff and local Conservation Districts in soil and water conservation.

Earth Team Volunteers are special people who volunteer their time and talents expecting nothing in return.

They just want to make a difference and help people conserve our soil, conserve our water and improve its quality, and sustain our country's natural resource heritage.

Anyone that is 16 years or older and interested in saving our precious soil and water resources can become an Earth Team Volunteer. Volunteers may work part-time, full-time, outdoors or in the SCS office. Volunteers have assisted with such things as cleri-
cal duties, computer work, farm tours/shows, public speaking, conservation planning, resource conservation and development projects, and many other projects.

For more information on the Earth Team Volunteer program, contact the local SCS Office at 806-456-3703 or call 1-800-THE-SOIL.

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Children and watches must not be constantly wound up-you must let them run too.

## PLAINSINDEPENDENTSCHOOLDISTRICT NOVEMBER 11, 1994 CUSTODIAL/MAINTENANCE POSITION

Plains ISD is accepting applications for a custodial/maintenance position until November $\mathbf{2 5 , 1 9 9 4}$. Person applying must be able to work from extension ladders and up to 16 feet on stepladders doing painting and repair work. Person must be able to lift 50 to $\mathbf{1 0 0}$ pounds in performance of duties. Normal duties require use of $\mathbf{2 0}$ inch buffer and vacuum cleaner, cleaning of restrooms, gym floors, bleachers, etc. Summer duties include all aspects of painting inside and out, shovel work, yardwork, etc. as deemed necessary by the maintenance supervisor.


## Health Topics

Courtesy of Yoakum County Hospital

## Ways to Stop Smoking

With the Great American Smokeout just behind us, let's turn our thoughts to "stopping smoking."

Most smokers want to quit smoking and have tried to stop at least once. Being successful is the hard part. The most important thing is having a real desire to quit. Without that, no amount of help from doctors or classes will keep you from smoking.

Even when you decide to stop smoking, it may take several attempts, perhaps trying different methods, before you succeed.

Besides your own desire to stop, the most effective single thing is the encouragement of your physician. Talk to him. He can suggest helpful hints and perhaps prescribe medicines.

Classes or support groups can help give you much-needed encouragement and incentive. Their educational tips can be very helpful. Regardless which method you may choose, classes are worthwhile.

Behavioral methods involve choosing other activities over smoking. A person is taught new habits to replace the old. Biofeedback and relaxation techniques can help people who respond to stress by reaching for a cigarette.

Some methods involve aversion to the side effects of nicotine. By smoking excessively for a short period, a person develops symptoms of nicotine toxicity which cause a person to associate smoking with an unpleasant experience.

Recently, nicotine patches have become available which appear to help certain persons break the habit. There are also clonidine patches which reduce the side effects of nicotine withdrawal. These are used once a person has completely quit.


Jack Spears Drilling


Cowboys.......
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some of their enthusiasm on Wink's point after try when another high snap, this time for the Wildcats, came into play. Jacob Lester scooped up the loose ball and ran it back for what appeared to be a 67 -yard two-point play for the Cowboys. A clipping penalty, however, nullified the score.

Wink scored three more times in the fourth quarter to win the game.
 RUSHING: Wink, Gray 21-111, Haynes 17-71, Green $1-11$, Moya $1-(-2)$, Hamm $7-(-7) ;$ Plains,
S. Bitolas $22-135$, D. Bitolas $5-15$, Hemandez $2-3$, BerS.Bitolas 22-135, D.Bitolas 5-15, Hemandez 2-3, Be nal 5-1. PASSING: Wink, Hamm 9-11-0-89; Plains, Berna 7-21-0.60.
RECEIVING: Wink, Green 5-48, Gray 2-26, Rami RECEVING: Wink, Green 5-48, Gray 2-26, Rami-
rez 1-8, Jones $1-7$; Plains, McMinn 4-36, Ward $1-24$
S. Bitolas $1-3$, Gueraa $1-(-3)$.


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Michael A. Guido
Metter, Georgia

While riding on a train I saw a lever with the words, "Lift to release.'

Instantly I thought of the power of prayer and of the Bible verse, "Pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands."
When they prayed in days of old they'd lift their hands with their empty palms toward heaven. This expressed their faith, for they were waiting to receive in them the answer to their prayers.

The prayer of faith is mightier than any power on earth, for it has the almightiness of God linked to it.
Burdened? Trust God. He can do anything. Open your hands in prayer. Like the sign said, "Lift to release.'


## HAPPY THANKSEIVNG

May Your Home Be Blessed With Thanksgiving's Bounty

It's our privilege and pleasure to be graced with such kind friends and neighbors. Many thanks to all.


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## Avon G. Brantley services conducted

Funeral services for Avon G. Brantley, 85, were held Friday, Nov. 11 at 10:30 a.m. in the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Jim Mosley, pastor of Westbook Baptist Church officiating. Assisting were the Rev. Bill Write and the Rev. Calvin Beach.

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

Brantley died Tuesday, Nov. 8, 1994, at his residence.

He was born Dec. 27, 1908, in Jefferson County, Okla. He attended school in Oklahoma and married Hattie B. Elmore Dec. 3, 1932, in Lovington, N.M. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Plains.

He farmed many years in the Tokio and Plains communities and serves as Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1 in Yoakum County from 1973 until 1990.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, G.W. "Sonny" of Midlothian and C.E. "Buddy" of Plains; a brother, Evert of Seminole; two sisters, Ozell Prather and Evelyn Farrar of Brownfield; six grandchildren and 14 greatgrandchildren.

Pallbearers were Jim Barron, Johnnie Fitzgerald, John Avara, Bob Thurston, Mike Bennett and Mike McClure.

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tribution, contact Julie at 592-3685 or me at 456-2263."

Delegates will receive information and skills to help them in career applications. They will also learn more about living in a culturally diverse society. More than 5.4 million youths, age 5-19 participate in 4-H. From aerospace, environmental stewardship, workforce preparedness, home and personal management, to citizenship and international and domestic exchanges, today's $4-\mathrm{H}$ agenda focuses on the concerns and interests of contemporary young Americans. For more information about the local 4-H program, call 456-2263.


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