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Rodeo, Reunions, Parade, Art Show...

It's About Time For A Breather !



Rodeo Royalty- Jamie Covarrubias, Plains Lions Club candidate, 2nd runner-up, Megan Allsup, Plains Roping Club, 1st runner-up, Kayla Willis, 2002 Rodeo Queen, and Stacie Alldredge, Plains Chamber of Commerce, the newly crowned 2003 Queen.

The 49th annual Plains Rodeo and Old Settlers Reunion enjoyed another successful run this past weekend. Ticket sales for the three night rodeo totaled almost \$3000, and over \$2200 was collected for the Saturday barbecue lunch.

Successful small town rodeos have become increasing difficult to produce in recent years,

and it is only with the tireless help of and cooperation between the Roping Club, Lions Club and Chamber, which comprise the Plains Rodeo Association, that our town is able to continue the old Texas tradition.

Residents played a large role in the success of this years event. Generous contributions played

a very large role in staging the expensive annual Saturday barbecue. The Rodeo Association wishes to thank each and every donor for their assistance.

The Reunion drew large numbers of families and friends, gathered from some dozen states around the country.

The Yoakum County Art Association hosted another suc-



Approximately 450 tickets were sold for the Old Settlers Reunion noon barbecue Saturday. Barbecued brisket, sausage and all the trimmings were prepared by Jered and Kay Sellers Catering Service.

cessful show and sale of area artist's work with skilled paintings, photography, ceramic works, and arts and craft exhibits. 33 individuals and firms helped the show and sale with purchase awards.

Saturday's parade down Cowboy Way drew hundreds of spectators.

Float winners this year included Plains 4-H Club, first prize, Plains

TsaMoGa Club, second place, and Plains Clinic, third.

The three Queen candidates worked hard in the Queen contest, selling some 8,400 tickets for either a custom built roping saddle or \$500 cash. Holt Pierce, son of Monty Pirce and grandson of Joe and Joyce Pierce, held the lucky ticket for the cash, and Doug Rushing won the saddle.

In addition to the Old Settlers Reunion, the PHS graduates of the 1940 through 1949 classes held a big gathering at the Methodist Church, with guests registering from as far away as California.

The Rodeo Association thanks each and everyone who helped make number 49 another big success.

County Libraries receive healthy financial boost



Head Yoakum County Librarian Opal Roberts is shown with a few samples of large-print books now available here. The local library recently received a Lone Star Libraries \$2316 grant award from the Texas State Library and Archives Commission. The Cecil Bickley Library in Denver City also received a grant award. Lone Star Libraries is a new program initially funded by the Texas Legislature which directly benefits public libraries around the state. The large-print books will benefit all library patrons with eyesight problems.

Criminal cases in County Court

Three criminal cases were heard in County Court Wednesday, July 31, with Judge Dallas Brewer presiding. Criminal District Attorney Richard Clark represented the state.

Gabriel Lopez Rios pled true to the state's motion to revoke community supervision from a prior DWI cause. He was sentenced to 30 days in jail, with credit for 31 days served. He must pay delinquent fees of \$234 for fine and \$72 supervision fees. His attorney was Bill Helwig, and investigating officer was Roger Holguin, Denver City Police.

Robert Matthew McMillan, on a possession of less than two ounces marijuana, pled guilty and was sentenced to adjudication of guilt deferred. He will be under six months community supervision, pay a \$350 fine, \$211 court costs, and \$140

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Coke Family Reunion



Members of the Coke Family joined forces with the 1940-1949 PHS graduates reunion last Saturday. The Coke family clan shown here include, L-R, Jimmie (Coke) Woodruff, Crip (Coke) Henard, Clyde Coke, Arlin Coke, Earl Coke, and Sidney (Coke) Murphey.

Plains High School Registration

Registration for Plains High School students will be Thursday and Friday, August 8 and 9, in the High School foyer. Students are strongly urged to attend to review their class schedules and choose a locker at the assigned times.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8 - Seniors 10:00 am. - 12 pm.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9 - Sophomores 10:00 am. - 12 pm., Freshmen 1:00 - 3 pm.



CAPITOL COMMENT

U.S. SENATOR
KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON



For too long, the federal government has inadequately addressed border security. Our checkpoints are riddled with security flaws and a patchwork quilt of laws and agencies designed to protect our borders has left gaping holes in our security.

But September 11 changed everything. The border policies Texans have long regarded as ineffective, were suddenly placed in the national spotlight. Our country is now forced to re-examine the ways we can best protect our homeland.

In June, the President proposed bringing more than 100 government agencies under the umbrella of a newly created Department of Homeland Security. If passed by Congress, implementing this plan would be the largest restructuring of the federal government since 1947, when President Truman consolidated the nation's armed forces into the Department of Defense. A single authority to oversee homeland security would strengthen our nation's ability to protect its citizens. And it is a massive undertaking.

I am pleased that the first of the President's four point plan

is to 'control our borders and prevent terrorists and explosives from entering our country.' Currently the agencies that operate our border crossings, Customs, the Border Patrol and Immigration and Naturalization Service, are disparate organizations with no effective collaboration. No one person or organization is in charge. A single authority will improve coordination, communication and efficiency.

I have consistently fought for increased funding for our borders. I support free trade, I voted for the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) and know the economic benefits it has brought to our state. But we must ensure there are adequate personnel and facilities to monitor the goods and people flowing into our country. Agents at our borders must be well trained, appropriately paid, and have access to the high tech tools needed to allow legitimate visitors' and workers' entry, and keep out potential terrorists and illegal drugs. We must also look at the vehicles, specifically the trucks and buses, that cross our borders by the thousands each day.

This past December I helped secure \$12 million for the Texas Department of Transportation to build more safety inspection facilities along the state's border with Mexico. This funding was in addition to the \$103 million already allocated for safety facilities and inspectors for along the entire U.S. and Mexico border.

In April the Senate passed the Enhanced Border Security and Visa Entry Reform Act, which authorizes funding for these agencies and goals. The bill emphasized high tech capabilities to track foreign nationals, including biometric data cards to prevent false identities. It also implements an automated system to record the entry of every non-citizen arriving in the U.S. and match it with a record of departure.

The President has asked Congress to pass his homeland security plan by fall.

JP Court Summary

The following is a summary of cases heard and bonds set in Precinct 1 Justice of Peace Court, Judge Melba Crutcher presiding.

- Cases filed:
- 7 - issuance of bad checks
- 1 felony
- 1 possession of drug paraphernalia
- 1 public intoxication
- 1 driving under influence of alcohol

- hol by minor
- 3 minors in possession of alcohol
- 3 minors in consumption of alcohol
- 2 cases purchase/furnish alcohol to minor- \$500
- failure to identify- \$200
- 3 open containers alcohol in vehicle
- 7 Class B misdemeanors
- Bonds Set:
- 2 false report to police officer- \$1000.
- Fugitive from justice- held until transported
- 2 cases evading arrest- \$1000
- 2 cases failure to identify- \$1000
- 3 cases theft, over \$50, under \$500- \$500
- DWI- held by Border Patrol
- Possession of marijuana- \$2400
- 2 cases unlawful consumption of alcohol by minor- \$200
- Public intoxication- \$200
- Assault causing bodily injury- \$1000
- Family violence, assault- \$1500
- Resisting arrest- \$500
- Minor in possession alcohol- \$200

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restitution. He will spend 36 hours in jail with credit for 17.5 hours served. He will serve 24 hours community service, complete the TAIIP program, and attend weekly AA (narcotics) meetings. DPS Trooper Brad Taylor was investigating officer.

Israel Esparza pled guilty to a first DWI, breath test .200/.199. He was sentenced to 60 days in jail with credit for 60 days served, and will surrender his license one year. Bill Helwig was his attorney, and Roger Holguin was investigating officer.

49th Rodeo dedicated to the memory of Polly Rushing



Polly's son Morris leads rideless horse into arena, symbolizing Polly's background with the early Plains Roping Club and his success as a member of the Rodeo Cowboys Association. Henry Eugene "Polly" Rushing, the only child of Carl and Inez Moreman Rushing, was born June 2, 1927 on the Bennett Ranch east of Plains. Polly was short for pollywog, a nickname given to him by Plains old timer Woody Read. He grew early to a rather large size, and no one made fun of a boy named Polly. He carried the name for a lifetime.

He began calf roping and bulldogging at an early age, and made a living in these events on the rodeo circuit for many years. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy in World War II, and when he returned home, continued to rodeo. In 1948 he joined the Rodeo Cowboy Association (RCA) and continued roping and 'dogging'. Later, a bit older (and smarter, he said), he gave up bulldogging and began team roping.

Polly and Betty Moore married November 30, 1950, and had two children, Morris of Plains, and Peggy Testa of Dallas. They have four grandsons, Dan Rushing, Austin, Jay Rushing, Lubbock, Doug Rushing, U.S. Army, Ft. Hood, and Clint Montford, Dallas. They have two great grandchildren, Kylar and Kenley Rushing of Austin.

Polly helped organize the Plains Roping Club, and was an active member many years. He was also involved with the Youth Play-Days, and always enjoyed the growing skills of young Cowboys and Cowgirls. He received great joy in the endless hours spent teaching Morris and Peggy riding and roping skills.

Except for a brief time, Polly lived his 74 years in Yoakum County. He treasured his family and friends in the county. He was a man who respected honesty, an humble and sometimes shy man who never cared much for show or fuss.

He would be deeply honored by this dedication and memorial, and certainly a bit embarrassed by it all. Many who knew him well are sure he is up above us with his saddled horse, waiting on Billy Winn and Pat Henard to show up for a bit of roping. Old Cowboy, You Are Missed.

Three day weather forecast by Duncan Axisa, Meteorologist for S.O.A.R

DATE	WEATHER	TEMP (°F)	WIND	RAIN (inches)
Today	P/C; chance of few iso short lived TS	91/68	SE 10-15 mph	< 0.01
Thursday	Partly cloudy; chance of few iso TS	92/68	SE 10-15 mph	< 0.01
Friday	Partly cloudy; TS possible	92/68	SE 10-20 mph	< 0.2

The Board of Directors of Yoakum County Hospital

values your opinion on several changes that are being considered for the future of the hospital, West Texas Medical Center, and the Plains Clinic.

A survey will soon be mailed out to you. We ask that you take the time and effort to fill it out and send it back. These changes will determine how we may best serve you.

You may either mail these surveys back to Yoakum County Hospital, or drop them by the hospital business office, West Texas Medical Center or Plains Clinic.

We appreciate your input, and look forward to meeting the needs of our county in the future.

Thank You !!!
Yoakum County Hospital

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Lifelines & Styles



Prior to each nightly rodeo, locals did a great job of singing the National Anthem. Lexi Warren performed Thursday evening, followed by Marc Traweek Friday, and his daughter Moriah Saturday, shown in this photo.

The following letter was recently received at City Hall. The writer apparently assumed Stanford Park was a City project, rather than Precinct 3's.

To the City of Plains, Texas,

I passed through your town on my way home from a mission trip to New Mexico on July 19. Our group of thirty stopped at your city park to have lunch. Everyone thought that your park was beautiful. The grass was green and mowed, picnic areas were neat, clean and free of trash, and the restrooms were also clean. You have a delightful park that is well kept for a city your size. You should be proud! I appreciate your efforts to provide a pleasant park for your community. Thanks to all responsible.

Sincerely,
Brandi Wright

Admissions Steps Outlined At SPC

One, Two, Three. There are three steps for admission to South Plains College, Good news for students who are thinking about entering college this fall.

"It's not too late for students to begin the admissions process", said Cathy Mitchell, registrar. SPC's registration is August 21-22, and classes begin August 26.

Students to complete an application for admission, provide an official transcript from their last high school or college attended or a GED certificate, and provide evidence of TASP compliance.

Incoming freshmen, unless otherwise exempt, are required to take the Texas Academic Skills Program (TASP) test, a state required placement testing

assessing basic college level skills. Mitchell noted that testing dates for approved alternative TASP exams are still available in the Counseling Center.

There is no fee for applying to SPC, and applications for admission are available on line at the college's website, www.southplainscollege.edu, in the General Catalog and by contacting SPC's Admissions Offices at its Levelland or Reese campus locations, said Mitchell.

When they have completed an application for admission, students also need to contact the Admissions Office to receive a registration permit.

For more information, contact the SPC Admissions Office in Levelland at 894-9611, ext. 2902 or 4660.

Risk Of Concussions In Contact Sports Is Low

Houston--If your teenagers are itching to join the soccer team, sign them up, the benefits outweigh the risks.

"With contact sports, there is always the chance for injury, including concussions," said Dr. Albert C. Hergenroeder, professor and chief of adolescent medicine and sports medicine at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "This risk should not be a reason to keep adolescents out of any contact sport including football, soccer or baseball, unless they have had several concussions associated with loss of consciousness or persistent symptoms."

A concussion is a traumatically induced alteration of mental status, not necessarily associated with loss of consciousness. Symptoms can include headache, dizziness, nausea, fatigue

and memory problems.

Generally, concussions are graded as mild, moderate and severe. A mild concussion is characterized by confusion only, without amnesia and loss of consciousness that lasts less than 15 minutes. If amnesia occurs, or if the confusion lasts more than 15 minutes, it is considered a moderate concussion. If any loss of consciousness occurs, even for a few seconds, the concussion is severe.

"Parents who have children participating in sports should be aware of the possibility for injury, yet they should not be overprotective," said Hergenroeder. "If a head injury is suspected, the child's physician should be notified immediately to ensure proper care and recovery."

Senior Citizens Corner

A quiet moment of reminiscing brings to mind the fact that it has been over two decades since our Senior Center was organized. A set of by-laws was written and approved on May 18, 1981. A Board of Directors was elected and meals were served from the time of the original charter.

The first location for the Center was in the old Junior High building on North Avenue F. In 1982, it was moved to the present site at 412 West 5th Street #8. It is a lovely and spacious location with five rooms for use as activity rooms and office space. Five days each week meals are served in the dining room from the original kitchen of the school cafeteria.

We think about how many meals have been served to daily diners and sent into various homes requiring home delivered meals, how many quilts have been quilted, how many ceramic treasures have been baked in the kiln, how many assorted games have been played and how many seniors this site has provided a sanctuary for during these years, then we pause again to be thankful for this place of friendship, refuge, encouragement, and service.

We do have a Memorial Roll with one hundred eighty-six names on it and we have an ongoing movement of our Senior family members leaving us to go to live closer to their children. The 'family' continues on, however, with the welcome

addition of new members transferring in from other places or local seniors who are retiring and come in to join us.

Some of those who are making preparations to leave us to go live nearer their children are Tom and Darlene Clevenger who are packing to make a move to Childress, Mola Moorhead who has decided to become an 'Okie' as she joins her son and family in that state, and Ruby Kennedy tells us she is planning to move to Brownfield later in the season to be near her son there. We shall miss each of these faithful 'family' members and we wish each of them well.

Billie O'Neal and Tom Clevenger walked off with the winning meal tickets from the last '42' tournament. Anyone who enjoys playing dominoes is welcome at these bi-monthly afternoon tournaments in the dining room. Come join us and bring a friend.

We were glad to see Johnny and Sally Sims for lunch on Monday. W.M. and Gladys Sides and their son Billy were also welcome visitors along with their grandson from Abilene. Each of them indicated they enjoyed the meal and intend to return.

Fay Black has returned from the hospital and is recovering at home.

Thought for today: "It is often easier to fight for one's principles than to live up to them....Adlai Stevenson

Catholic Family Service, Inc. of Amarillo is in need of couples who are interested in fostering and/or adopting children with special needs who are currently in the Texas Foster care system. Training for prospective families will be held on August 17th at the Mahon Library 1306 9th Street in Lubbock from 9:00 am. to 6:00 pm. The Pride Training will be held in one of the conference rooms of the Library. Both husband and wife need to attend the session. Single applicants are also welcome. Applicants must be at least 21 years of age and, if applicable, married for at least two years. Please contact Danny Wampler at 1-877-924-kids or Susana Garcia at 806-637-1118 or 806-543-2818 (mobile number) to make your reservation.

Services Held For Frank Whitlock



Frank Whitlock, 91, formerly of Plains, died Monday, July 29, 2002 in Albuquerque, NM following a long illness.

Burial was held in Fletcher, Oklahoma under the direction of the Robbins Funeral Home. Frank was born September 25, 1910 in Krum, Texas to A. F. and Jennie Belle (Edwards) Whitlock. He married Lillian Maloy on June 29, 1935 in Sentinel, Oklahoma. They moved to Plains, Texas in 1961 where they owned and operated the Whites Auto Store until 1983. She passed away November 8, 1981. He served on the City Council and sponsored various community projects. He loved bowling, golfing, and drinking coffee with his friends. He was a member of First Baptist Church, Plains.

Survivors include: 1 son and daughter in law: Lowell D. and wife Ann Whitlock; Tulsa, Oklahoma, 1 daughter and son in law: Janelle and husband Jack Pierce; Albuquerque, NM,

Basic Phlebotomy Course

A short course in Basic Phlebotomy is scheduled August 19 - October 3 at South Plains College in Levelland.

Classes will meet 6:30-9:30 pm. Mondays and Wednesdays in the Technical Arts Building, Room 101. Clinical instruction will be announced. Tuition is \$300, plus textbook. Instructor is Georgia Mulloy.

The course covers skill development in the performance of a variety of blood collection methods using proper techniques and universal precautions. The course includes instruction in blood culture and specimen collection on adults, children and

infants and will emphasize infection prevention, proper patient identification, labeling of specimens, quality assurance, professionalism, ethics and medical terminology.

Extensive additional clinical assignments will be required to complete ASPT pre-certification requirements.

Students must provide proof of immunization for MMR, Tetanus, Hepatitis B and have a current TB test.

Enrollment is limited. To pre-register, contact the SPC Division of Continuing and Distance Education at 806-894-9611, ext. 2341.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
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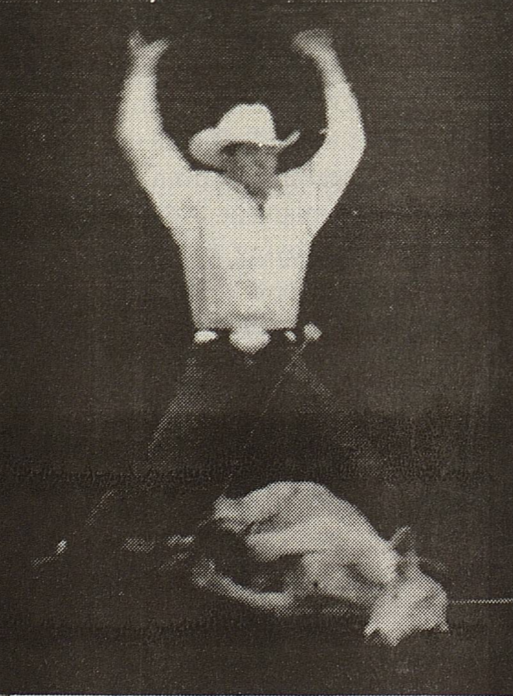
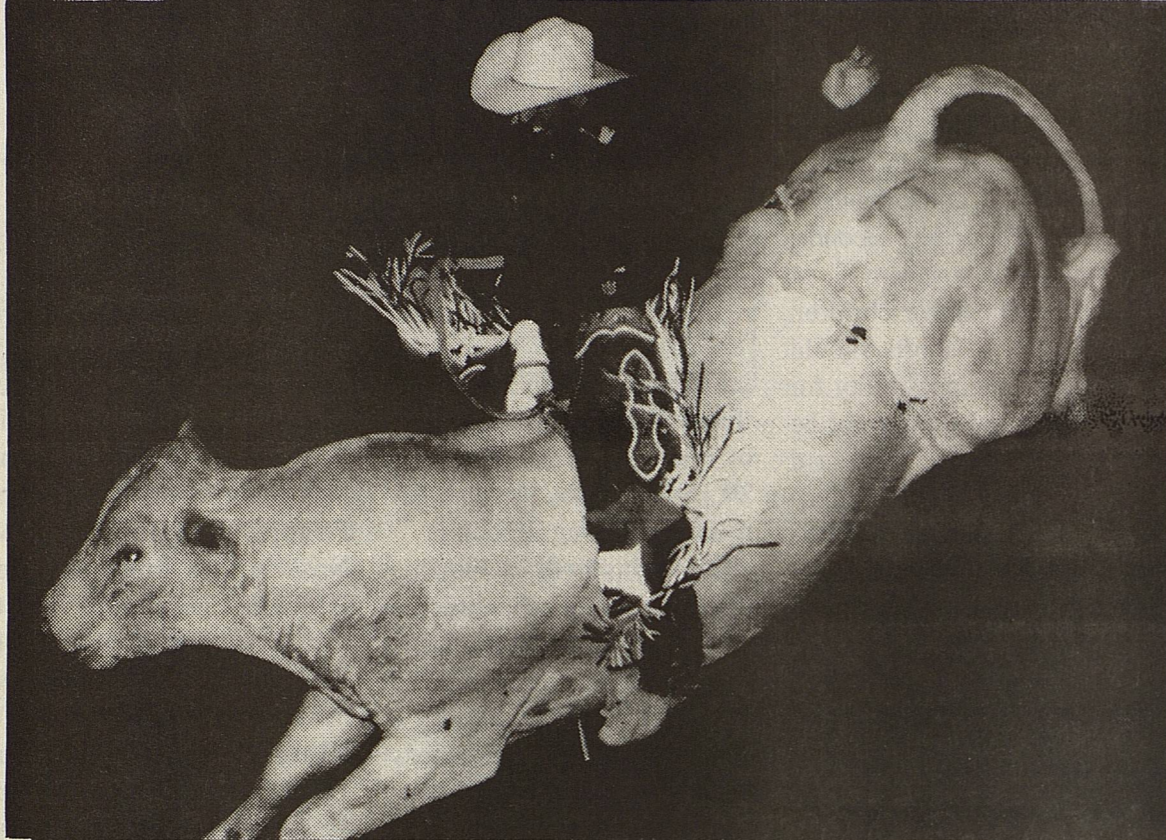
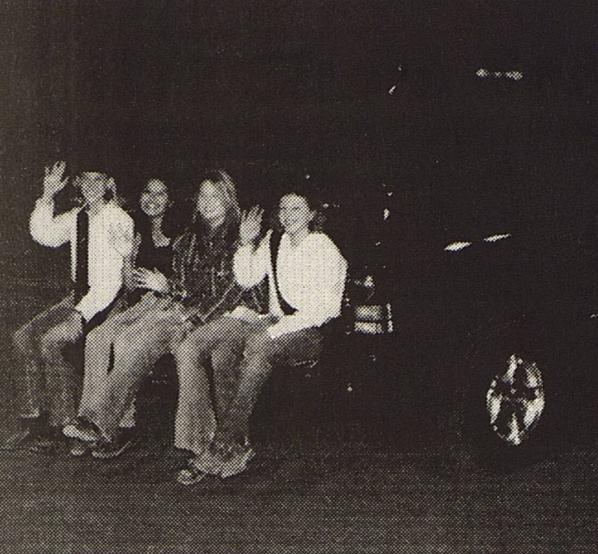
Sunday Schedule
Sunday School - 9:45 am
Morning Worship - 10:45 am
Evening Worship - 6:00 pm

Wednesday Connection
Food, Fellowship & Study
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2002 Property Tax Rates in Yoakum County

This notice concerns 2002 property tax rates for Yoakum County. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

	General Fund	Farm to Market/ Flood Control Fund
Last year's tax rate:		
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 6,304,112	\$ 1,108,127
Last year's debt taxes	\$ 0	\$ 0
Last year's total taxes	\$ 6,304,112	\$ 1,108,127
Last year's tax base	\$ 1,997,247,685	\$ 1,994,110,185
Last year's total tax rate	\$.31564/\$100	.05557/\$100
This year's effective tax rate:		
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 6,282,733	\$ 1,104,492
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 1,714,205,798	\$ 1,711,106,178
- This year's effective tax rate for each fund	\$.36651/\$100	.06455/\$100
Total effective tax rate	\$.43106/\$100	
x 1.03 = maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing	\$.44399/\$100	
This year's rollback tax rate:		
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property, and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$ 6,281,247	\$ 1,104,492
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 1,714,205,798	\$ 1,711,106,178
- This year's effective operating rate	\$.36651/\$100	.06455/\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$.39583/\$100	.06971/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ 0/\$100	0/\$100
- This year's rollback rate for each fund	\$.39583/\$100	.06971/\$100
This year's total rollback rate	\$.46554/\$100	

Statement of Increase/Decrease
If Yoakum County adopts a 2002 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$.43106 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2001 taxes by \$ 29.00

Schedule A - Unencumbered Fund Balances
The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
General	576,040
Road & Bridge Precincts	1,390,862
Jury	11,490
PI	264,764

Schedule B - 2002 Debt Service
The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
(expand as needed)				
Total required for 2002 debt service			\$ 0	0
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A			\$ 0	0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources			\$ 0	0
- Excess collections last year			\$ 0	0
- Total to be paid from taxes in 2002			\$ 0	0
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only _____ % of its taxes in 2002			\$ 0	0
- Total Debt Levy			\$ 0	0

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at Yoakum County Tax Office, Ave G & Cowboy Way, Plains, Texas
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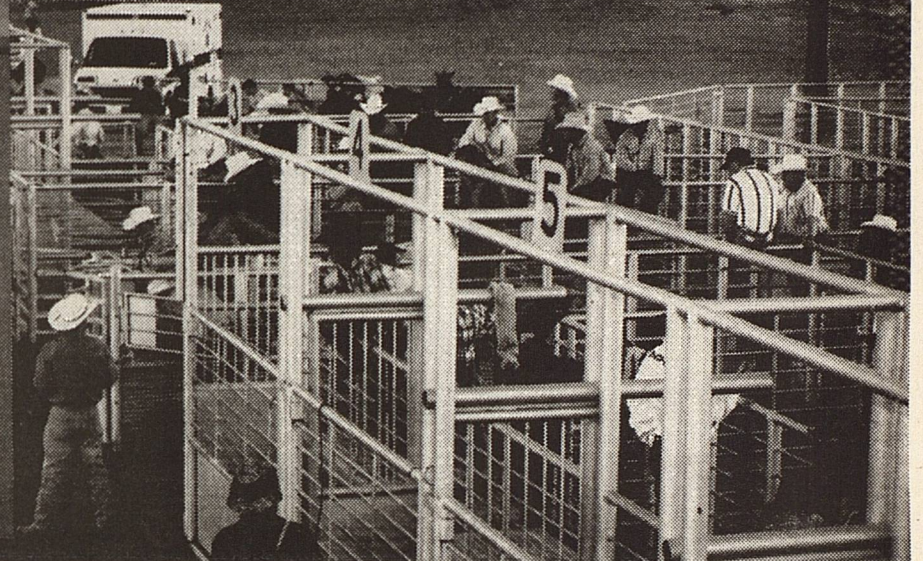
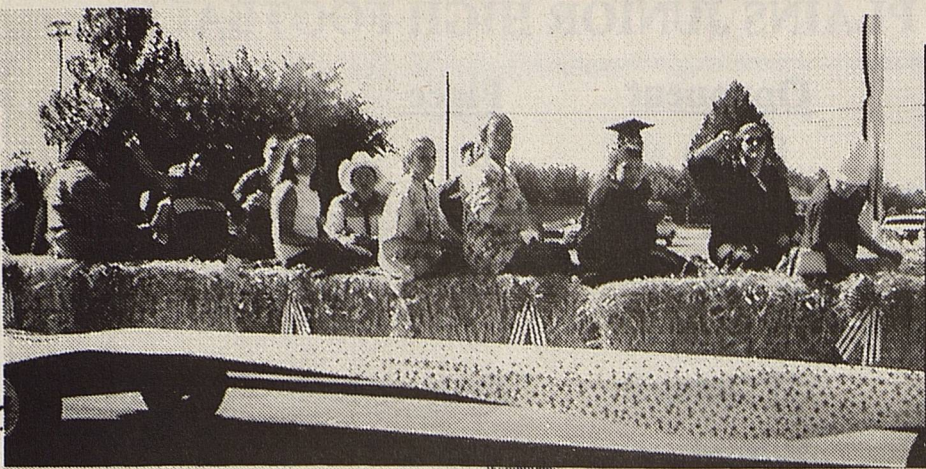
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From The Hack

Awakening last Sunday morn, not too bright and early, I eased out of bed (I normally leap out with great exuberance), crept around a bit, and realized, you are tired, old boy.

Immediately I had a grand idea. I rushed to my Bible, and quickly found the Book of Genesis. I never have trouble thumbing about for it.... just pop it open and the first really long, long thing is Genesis.

Sure enough, my early morning thought was right.... 'On the seventh day, God rested.' It was easy enough for me to decide what my Sunday would entail - rest for the weary, following the chaotic weekend featuring helping a bit at the Lions Club concession stand, shooting photos of the Thursday night rodeo, playing photographer again at the Saturday parade, helping slice about a ton of Jered's briskets for the Saturday Reunion feed, shooting digitals of the '40-'49 multi class reunion, same at the

Yoakum County Art Show and sale, then the Saturday Rodeo extravaganza.

About 11 PM Saturday night, I stumbled in the door, fell into my chair, and demanded to the empty room, "I'm home. FEED ME!"

"Feed your self. Brutus! I've done laundry all day, washed your filthy drawers and socks, ironed your shirts, cleaned your hair out of the shower, cleared the evidence of your visit to the potty, cleaned at least some of the green stuff from the boots you wore in the rodeo arena, but dam little of it from the carpet. I ate hours ago."

I didn't exactly enjoy the PBJ sandwich I fixed, but it was much finer fare than eating crackers on the deck where I could have slept. It was pretty obvious she was still a bit steamed about the green stuff on the carpet.

An old buddy from Virginia Beach visited with us this Reunion weekend. We almost had a fight at the Reunion. She told me her age, I told her she had to be lying, couldn't be that old. I told her I was 11 years older than she, she screamed I was lying. Anyway, friend Jeanine St. Romain asked if she could drop off some stuff from her local paper for my amusement. I told her only if it wasn't

pornographic as some her earlier stuff. (Just kidding, Pete & Mary Jo!).

She followed through. Men, are you aware certain Doctors, some of whom represent huge drug manufacturing companies, are seriously suggesting men may suffer the menopause syndrome?

Seems all sorts of male behavior and reactions can now be laid upon our menopause condition.

Now, if I scream at Bride the eggs are too done, or too raw, if she fails to remind me of something I forgot to remind her about, if I bitch and moan about something which could possibly interfere with something TRULY IMPORTANT to me, like a golf game or watching a John Wayne re-run. football or the swimsuit issue of Sport Illustrated on the tube, she glares at me and simpers, "It's happening to you again, isn't, you miserable mush head?"

She is probably suffering from the same delusion thousands, millions of you ladies labor under. You think we're beasts because we occasionally forget an occasion, allow our bellies to roll and groan in church, an occasional ogle at an attractive young thing, pull cover in winter; Not true - we're just going through the meno-hesitation.

2002 PLAINS JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Sept. 12	Sudan	here	5:00 & 6:15
Sept. 19	Wink	there	5:00 & 6:15
Sept. 26	Ralls	here	5:00 & 6:15
Oct. 4	open		
Oct. 10	O'Donnell	there	5:00 & 6:15
Oct. 17	Whiteface	here	5:00 & 6:15
Oct. 24	Sundown	there	5:00 & 6:15
Oct. 31	Smyer	here	5:00 & 6:15
Nov. 7	Morton	there	5:00 & 6:15

IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY FINANCES IN THE HANDS OF TONI JONES TREASURER OF YOAKUM COUNTY

COMMISSIONERS' COURT YOAKUM COUNTY, TEXAS IN REGULAR SESSION JULY 29TH TERM, 2002

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, as County Commissioners within and for said Yoakum County, and the Honorable Dallas Brewer, County Judge of said Yoakum County, constituting the entire Commissioners' Court of said County, and each one of us, do hereby certify that on this, the 29th day of July 2002, at a regular term of our said Court, we have compared and examined the report of Toni Jones, Treasurer of said County, for period beginning on the 1st day of June 2002 and ending on the 30th day of June 2002, and finding the same correct have caused an order to be entered upon the minutes of the Commissioners' Court of said County, stating the approval of said Treasurer's Report by our said Court, which said order recited separately the amount received and paid out of each fund by said County Treasurer since her last report to this Court, and for and during the time covered by her present report, and the balance of each fund remaining in said Treasurer's hands on the said 30th day of June 2002, and have ordered the proper credits to be made in the accounts of the said County Treasurer, in accordance with said order as required by Articles 1636-1637, Chapter 1, Title 34 of the Revised Statutes of Texas, 1925.

And we, and each of us, further certify that we have actually and fully inspected and counted all the actual cash and assets in hands of the said Treasurer belonging to Yoakum County at the close of the examination of said Treasurer's Report, on this the 29th day of July 2002, and the same to be as attached.

JUNE 2002 RECAPITULATION

FUNDS	BEGINNING BALANCE	RECEIPTS	TRANSFERS TO	TRANSFERS FROM	DISBURSEMENTS	ENDING BALANCE
GENERAL	4,477,254.52	44,777.27	82,860.12	177,019.15	307,234.70	4,120,638.06
PRECINCT #1	936,043.86	11,432.52	1,197.84	4,396.03	48,190.84	896,082.25
PRECINCT #2	364,040.74	11,456.09	1,197.85	87,405.96	39,094.37	860,594.33
PRECINCT #3	470,945.13	15,489.47	1,197.84	4,872.87	27,919.15	453,637.62
PRECINCT #4	456,015.26	10,797.93	1,197.84	5,314.75	38,437.80	424,858.98
ROAD & BRIDGE	0.00	0.00	830.26	830.26	0.00	0.00
FML	0.00	0.00	3,961.11	3,961.11	0.00	0.00
LATERAL ROAD	87.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	87.42
JURY FUND	72,987.41	87.73	69.35	4.38	2,782.61	89,972.22
C.C. RECORDS MGMT	34,280.09	970.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	34,145.54
COURTHOUSE SECURITY	17,248.13	338.21	0.00	0.00	0.00	17,587.24
CDA FEE ACCOUNT	5,547.83	177.15	0.00	0.00	216.22	5,508.76
JUVENILE PROBATION-ST	36,117.28	21,739.44	0.00	33.48	8,985.23	48,857.99
LLANO ESTACADO DRUG TASK FORCE	7,288.05	30,214.39	13,885.00	3,888.88	22,083.74	25,184.89
LAW LIBRARY	3,987.72	352.81	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,435.37
PROBATE EDUCATION	557.31	12.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	569.76
ABANDONED VEHICLES	1,584.18	1.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,585.43
SPECIAL VIDEO	2,218.25	116.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,335.05
Y.C. DRUG ENFORCEMENT	870.83	0.68	0.00	0.00	0.00	871.51
Y.C.S.O. FORFEITURE	94.40	0.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	94.48
L.E.D.T.F. SEIZURE FUND	548.72	0.44	0.00	0.00	0.00	549.16
L.E.D.T.F. FORFEITURE FUND	3,475.29	380.77	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,856.06
L.E.D.T.F. SEIZURE FUND	4,285.88	3.38	0.00	0.00	378.00	3,911.24
HOSPITAL DIS	304,714.23	19,886.05	0.00	0.00	8,238.72	316,141.56
Y.C. RECORDS MGMT	9,878.00	390.82	0.00	0.00	469.97	9,898.85
YOUTH CENTER	11,483.80	7.57	0.00	1,520.82	7,328.59	24,292.82
PLAINS AIRPORT	209.70	0.13	500.00	0.00	289.59	420.24
LIBRARY GRANT FUND	2,316.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,316.00
PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT	501,385.00	632.28	2,182.15	0.00	0.00	504,200.31
HOSPITAL	491,719.00	288,808.22	115,769.75	42,987.59	390,508.27	442,824.11
PLAINS CLINIC	27,980.90	7,981.51	0.00	3,287.15	26,541.87	5,519.49
WEST TEXAS MEDICAL CENTER	78,313.24	77,989.47	0.00	13,789.30	118,282.49	24,292.82
WOMEN'S CENTER FOR WELL BEING	17,518.82	210.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	17,729.64
HOSPITAL MEMORIAL	18,195.96	22.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	18,218.78
JUVENILE PROBATION-TR	6,608.41	5.24	33.48	0.00	0.00	6,647.13
AD VALOREM TAX	14,545.35	30,436.22	0.00	26,672.23	0.00	18,309.34
CRIMINAL JUSTICE	8,870.25	6,396.40	0.00	8.34	491.43	14,771.88
HOSPITALIZATION INSURANCE	330,897.48	42,178.49	131,251.93	217.79	17,487.61	486,613.06
Y.C. FEE ACCOUNT	10,451.03	14,830.69	0.00	6.83	10,545.65	14,729.45
TOTALS	9,319,932.20	615,899.85	355,834.52	355,834.52	1,075,582.27	8,659,189.78

2002 PLAINS FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Aug. 17	*Lorenzo	there	TBA
Aug. 23	*Hale Center	there	TBA
Aug. 30	Farwell	there	8:00
Sept. 6	Seagraves	here	8:00
Sept. 13	Sudan	there	8:00
Sept. 20	Wink	here	8:00
Sept. 27	Ralls	there	8:00
Oct. 4	open		
Oct. 11	O'Donnell	here	7:30
Oct. 18	Whiteface	there	7:30
Oct. 25	Sundown	here	7:30
Nov. 1	Smyer	there	7:30
Nov. 8	Morton	here	7:30

*Scrimmages

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