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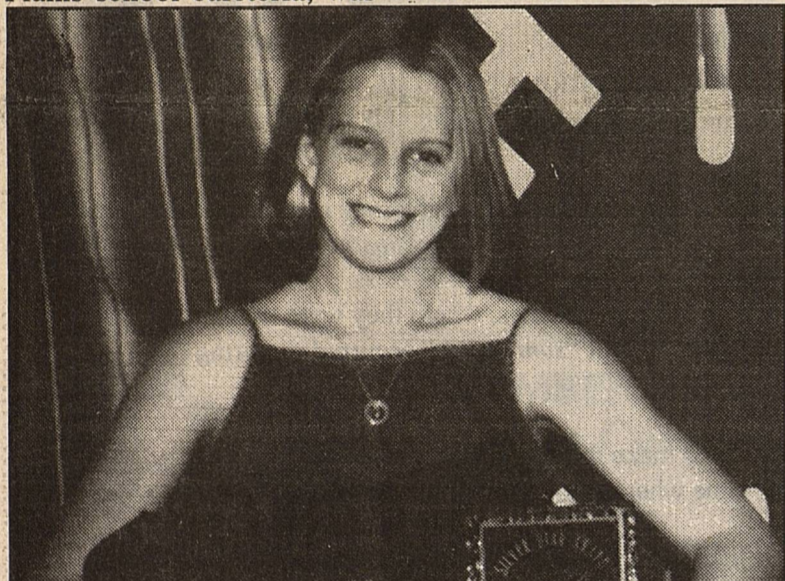


Annual 4 - H Banquet honors county youth



Ragan McGinty receives award from John Mayes

Over seventy 4-H members, 4-H Fiesta. leaders and guests attended Lesa Wood introduced Attorney the recent County 4-H Awards Banquet. The theme Helwig, who described his for the banquet, held in the youth in 4-H, and challenged Plains school cafeteria, was the 4-H members to



T.J. Kitchens proudly displays awards More 4-H Awards Page 5

District Court criminal cases heard here

In 121st District Court September 18, Judge Kelly G. Moore presiding, Wallace Lynn Langley pled guilty to burglary of a building. He will remain in county jail for a period not to exceed 180 days, or until space is available in a Substance Abuse Treatment Facility. He will be confined not more than one year or less than 90 days. The court found drug or alcohol abuse significantly contributed to the criminal act. The defendant's fine of \$2,464 was waived. He must pay delinquent community supervision fees of \$580, and restitution of \$461. Supervision fees will be paid at \$48 per month. He must perform a total of 160 hours community service, a minimum of 16 hours per month. His Attorney was Warren New.

Jamie Perez Carrasco Jr. pled guilty to assault against a public servant. Resisting arrest and assault causing bodily injury causes were adjudicated. A \$1500 fine and \$242 court costs will be met with time payments. He must pay \$250 attorney fees. He will spend 180 days in jail or until space is available in a Substance Abuse Felony

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Cowboys roughed up by Sundown Roughnecks 44-8



Despite being surrounded by Cowboys, Jared Bell goes down to Roughnecks

The Sundown coaching staff may have been determined to prove their dominance early on last Friday night. In the pre-game coin toss, they chose to kickoff rather than go on offense. The gambit paid off; the Cowboys opened their offense on their 20 yard line, and could not gain an inch in three plays, forcing a punt to Sundown's 41. On the first play from scrimmage, Roughneck runner Salazar burst over right tackle and sailed into the end zone and the PAT kick put them up 7-0.

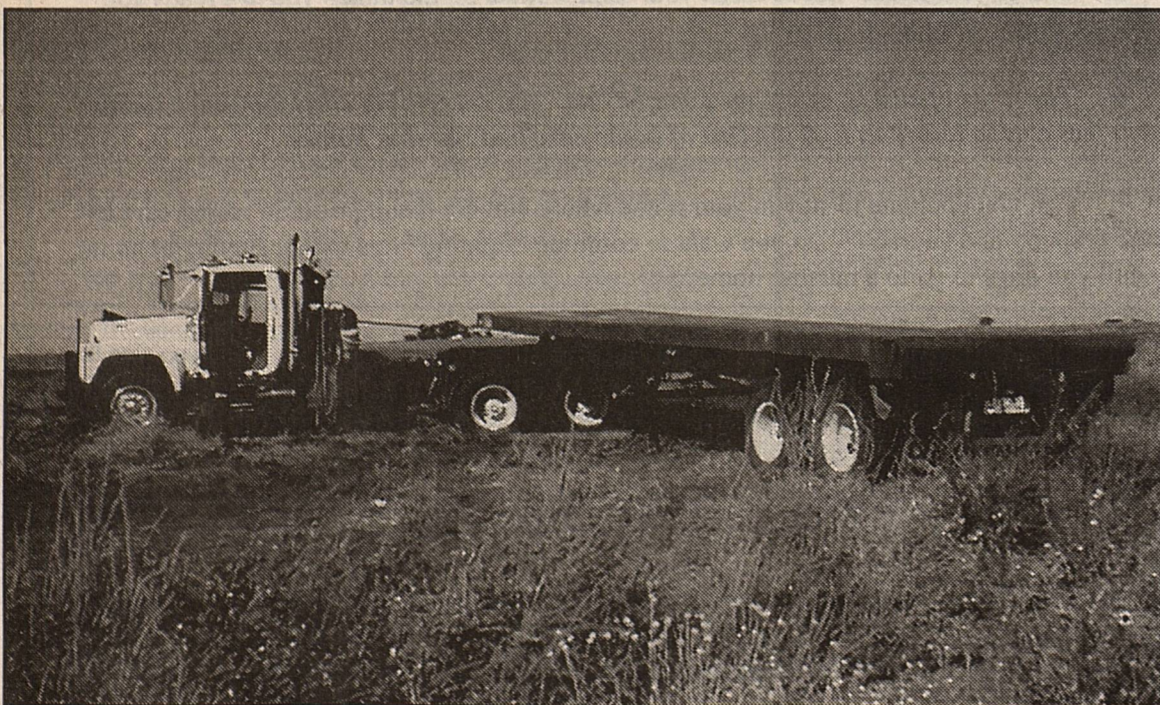
That pattern would continue for much of the night. Once more in the first period, the Cowboys were ineffective against the large and good

Roughneck defensive line, and before the quarter ended, ground down the field to the 12 where a pass completion and PAT kick gave them a 14-0 lead.

In the second period, after Aaron Cain's punt to the 29, Sundown moved the ball to the 39, but a penalty moved them back to the 34, where they committed another mistake on fourth down with a faulty snap, and Brett Squyres tackled the Roughneck runner for a 29 yard loss at the 5 and gave the Cowboys the ball. On fourth and ten, Stan Caballero hit Squyres with a scoring pass and a 14-6 game.

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Disastrous wreck averted



This photo of an oil field truck in the edge of cotton and peanut acreage appears routine enough. The rig belonging to Bandera Drilling Company of Abilene was traveling east on US 82/380 last Tuesday afternoon around 4:15, when for some reason, it veered across the highway and the west bound lane, narrowly missing a pickup driven by local Buster Graham. Graham said he and his daughter Anita were on the way home when he saw the truck coming straight at them. He pulled his pickup in the borrow ditch to avoid a head on collision.

Graham said, "As soon as I reached the ditch I looked into my mirror, hoping there were no other vehicles behind me, for the truck would surely have wiped them out." An approaching car stopped at the scene, and one of the passengers, a nurse, helped stabilize the driver, Wilburn Herring, who appeared to have trouble breathing. The Plains EMS ambulance, driven by Freda Humphrey, reached the scene, and Marc Traweek, another EMS volunteer, examined the driver in the ambulance. He was unhurt but appeared dazed, and the EMS team, DPS troopers and Sheriff Department deputies at the scene speculated the driver could have experienced a seizure or possible mild stroke. There was no apparent damage to the truck and float.

Hunter Ed New Doctor optimistic on improved services for female patients

A Texas Parks and Wildlife Hunter Education Course will be offered at the Women's Building at the fairgrounds in Levelland Saturday and Sunday, September 30 and October 1.

Students attending the class must be present both days. Cost of the class is \$10. Classes will meet at 9 AM until 6 PM Saturday, and 1 PM until 5 PM Sunday. Instructors will be Rick and Betty Monger.

Every Texas hunter born on or after September 2, 1971, must successfully complete a Hunter Education Training Course. The minimum age to be certified is 12. The class meets the requirements for out of state hunters also.

A hunter education class not only teaches gun handling safety, but also conservation, hunter ethics, game identification, game care, survival techniques, and much more.

To pre-register for the class, or for more information, call 806-229-8871.

New Physician Mohammed Halipoto began contract negotiations with the Yoakum County Hospital Board and Yoakum County Commissioners Court in June of this year. He was signed on board as the latest addition to the county's staff of physicians and started his practice of Obstetrics and Gynecology on September 1. He is currently practicing in temporary clinic facilities at 412 Avenue F in Denver City, across the street from the hospital's north east corner.

Dr. Halipoto brings a wealth of credentials and experience to area female patients. A native of Pakistan, he earned his MD status there in 1961. He later traveled half way around the globe, and performed his residency and internship training in England and Scotland. He would make another career move in 1969 to Winnipeg, Canada where he would continue his practice until 1976.

He then moved to our Lone Star State, and established a private practice in Houston

until negotiations began with the local hospital entities.

Dr. Halipoto has earned his American Board of Certification, as well as the Canadian Fellowship Certification.

He and his wife Zareena have three children all of adult age; Sons Saleem and Khalid, and daughter Rubina. The couple have established roots here, and have purchased a home in Denver City.

Asked his impression of the area hospital, Dr. Halipoto told CCN, "I am very impressed with the facility here in this small town. It is very well equipped. I am impressed with the hospital administration and board of directors, and the commissioners court attitude toward this health facility. Once convinced of need, they are willing to do what is necessary to provide equipment and staff to ensure the best care for our area patients."

He said he felt fortunate to cur-

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Cottage Village Assisted Living

Assisted Living is caring for individuals in a residential setting. It combines the features of independence, dignity and privacy found in traditional apartment settings with personal care found in medically oriented nursing homes.



Cottage Village is NOT a nursing home. We offer...

...traditional apartment and private handicapped-accessible residential suites.

...which may be furnished with the resident's furniture and decorated as the resident wishes.

...a comfortable, homelike environment.

Cottage Village does offer similar SERVICES as nursing homes...

...assisted with activities of daily living such as arranging transportation, meals, housekeeping, and personal laundry services.

...medication supervision, dressing and grooming assistance.

...and a full range of scheduled activities to keep each individual as active as possible.

Cottage Village is the reasonable alternative to full-time help in the family home - at approximately 50% of the cost!

Part-time help in your house costs approximately \$5 per hour for 8 hours a day, or \$40 a day and \$1,200 a month. And...you are still alone 16 hours each day. If you increase to 24-hour care, the cost is \$120 a day or \$3,600 a month.

Even though the house is paid for, there are still groceries, taxes, utility bills, repairs, lawn care, and other expenses...even theft.

True costs of care in the family home can amount to as much as \$5,000 per month.

Cottage Village has created your opportunity to remain independent for a longer period of time - the opportunity to improve the odds that you may NEVER have to enter a nursing home.

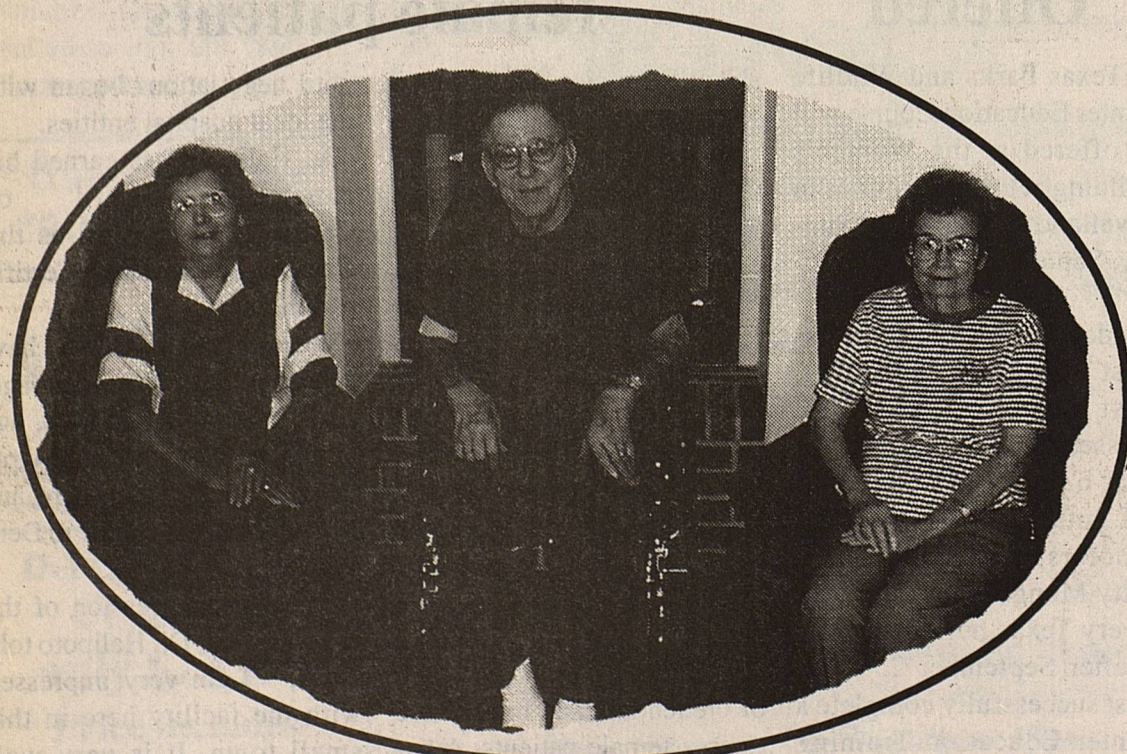
There are three good reasons for moving to Cottage Village:

- (1) You will have fewer worries.
- (2) You will remain more independent.
- (3) You will experience greater security than now.

These residents also enjoy the Cottage Village Lifestyle



Willie May Newsome, Faye Phillips, Esther Ruth Henson, Mercedes Pearson



Claudine Williams, Jesse Brooks, Ann Dugger

How do our resident friends feel about us?



"I'm happy there is such a nice place to live, and still so close to friends and family in Plains."

... Hattie Brantley

"Cottage Village is a nice place to live if you need a little help. I have friends here, and it's a nice place for other friends to come visit."

... Wilma McDonnell

"The staff here are friendly and very helpful."

... Marie Snodgrass

"I'm very comfortable and relaxed here."

... Romalee Elmore

Not Ready Yet?



"I'm not ready yet" is the most common excuse offered in delaying a decision to move to Cottage Village. Please consider the following:

1. We are continually faced with the fact that Assisted Living may *not* be considered a positive alternative to one's own home, and *decisions are often postponed too long.*
2. All our residents came here from their own homes, where they were living independently and getting along nicely - until that fateful "*something*" occurred requiring them to seek assistance. Exactly like you!
3. People who are planners choose to make the decision to move while they are *eligible* rather than risk waiting until a later time when they might not be. *Don't wait too long and have to go to a nursing home.*
4. Most people who live at Cottage Village are planning ahead. They have a realistic view of the limitations they now face and will continue to face. Having made their decision, their family can experience "*peace of mind.*"
5. Tell us your needs - let us assist you. Concentrate on the things you *are* ready for, not the things you aren't ready for!
6. *The issue of cost is, of course a major one. Yes, everything costs too much today, but fees can be less than half the cost of home care and nursing homes.*
7. Can you continue to stay in your home where you are having trouble taking care of the property and yourself? Do you want to continue "fighting" this battle, staying at home, until you *have* to go to a nursing home?
8. Just as every new experience we have encountered during our lives has given rise to apprehension, this experience will also. But, as with all life's other new experiences, we gain new insights and life progresses to a new level.
9. We offer Level I Cottage Apartments for active seniors desiring an independent lifestyle. Accommodations for this level care are one-bedroom Classic Cottage Apartments.
10. Out Cottage Inn suites are for Level II-V Assisted Living care and are appropriate for more frail individuals. We present this as the gracious alternative to nursing home care. It is residential in character and is approximately 60% of the cost of private accommodations in a nursing home.



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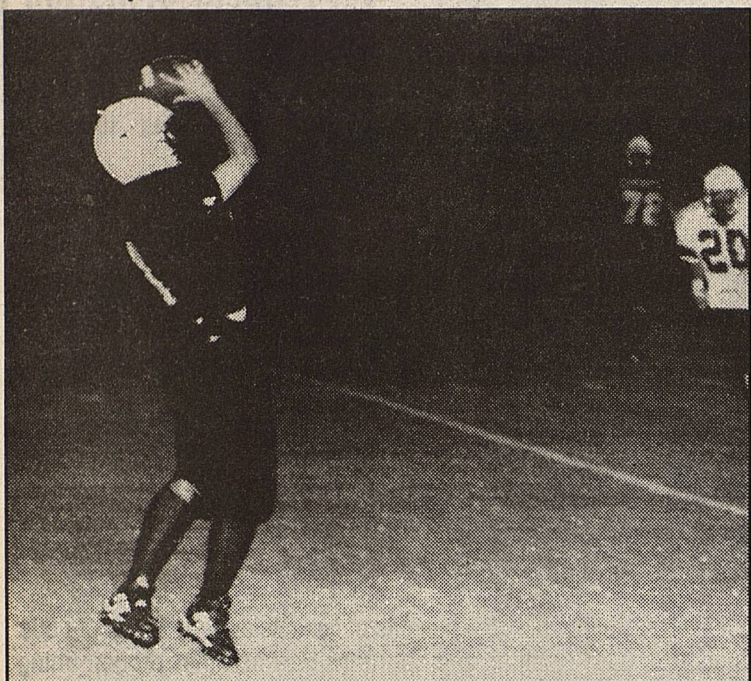
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The Roughnecks would roar back and score two more times, and lead 28-6 at the half. In their first possession in the third period, a Cowboy fumble gave Sundown the ball, which they quickly put in the end zone for a 35-6 lead. Disaster promptly struck again when the Roughnecks intercepted a Cowboy pass and went 27 yards for a touchdown, moving the scoreboard to 41-6. In the fourth quarter they would score a field goal and a 44-6 lead.

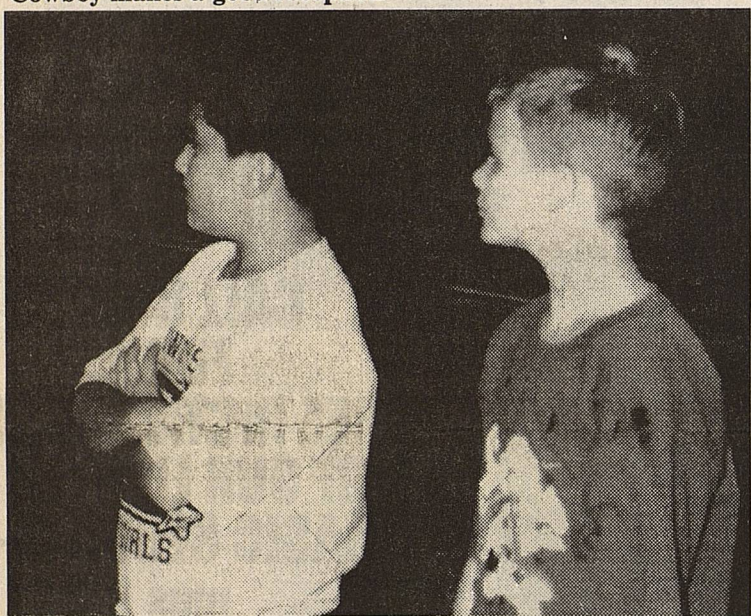
Aaron Cain went to quarterback, and passed the Cowboys to Sundown, 15, but another pass to Adam Garcia was intercepted at the 6 yard line. The Roughnecks then fumbled the ball into the end zone where Jared Bell covered it for a safety and the final 44-8 score.

Individual performances included Cain completing 6 of 13 passes, Caballero 3 of 9. Cain caught two passes, Garcia 4, Squyres and Tanner Hamm 1 each. Cain's punt average was 43.5 yards, and Joseph Rodriguez averaged 38.5 on kickoffs. Top defensive tacklers included Bell with 8, Squyres 6, and Israel Moreno 4.

The Cowboys travel to Petersburg for an 8 pm game there this Friday.



Cowboy makes a good reception



Even the waterboys were despondent in Sundown game

Cross Country Recap

New Home Meet, September 23:

Jr. High Boys: Payton Bean 9th, 16:47 *

JV Cowgirls: Kayla Willis 3rd, 19:11 *

JoAnna Diaz 6th, 19:50 *, Keri Hansen 8th, 19:52 *, Kenia Molina 10th, 20:05 *

JV Cowboys: Manuel Hernandez 1st, 21:29 *, Arnold Cordova 8th, 24:08 *, Richard Diaz 10th, 24:19 *, Abraham Becerra 11th, 24:47, Gerry Granados 13th, 25:31

* Denotes medal winners

Wrangler and JV Football

7th Wranglers:

The younger Wranglers took it on the chin against a very large Sundown team last Thursday, and were shut out 36-0. One of the highlights featured a 101 yard pass interception and return on a two point conversion play by Abel Ramos. The run was wiped out by a clipping call. Coach Todd Davis said "I was proud of the determination the team showed against Sundown." The 7th boys are idle this week.

8th Wranglers:

The 8th boys were nipped at the wire in a good game against Sundown, going down in the closing minutes 14-12. They took a 12-8 lead with just 3 minutes left in the game, but Sundown came back with a scoring reverse play. Eddie Ortega managed the other touchdown on a run in the first half. Coach Brink had high praise for the youngsters who fought hard and showed tremendous improvement over the prior week.

JV Cowboys:

The young Cowboys also found Sundown a bit too tough, and fell 30-22. Zach Broome scored twice on touchdown passes from Richard Diaz, and Diaz scored the other TD. Broome and Diaz also scored two point conversions.

PISD Volleyball Summary

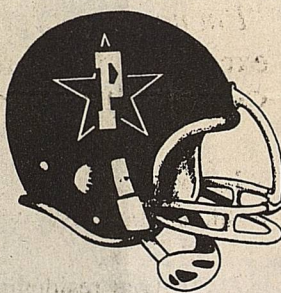
7th Lady Wranglers: The 7th grade girls sought and got revenge, beating Levelland 15-8, 14-16 and 15-12. They improved their season record to 8 and 3.

8th Lady Wranglers: The 8th girls didn't fare as well against Levelland, and were downed 9-15 and 5-15.

JV Cowgirls:

On September 19, the JV girls fell to Brownfield 15-11, 13-15 and 14-16. They next met Dell City and won handily, 15-0, 15-3. They also bested Wink in three matches, 15-7, 11-15 and 15-12. Their season record is now 14 wins, 5 losses.

Varsity Cowgirls: On Septemebr 19, the Cowgirls beat Brownfield 15-3, 15-12. On the 23rd, they won over Dell City 15-3, 15-6, and continued the streak against Wink, winning 15-10, 2-15 and 15-11. Their season record is now 12 wins, 6 losses.



Cade Arnett goes for Sundown runner



Casson Curtis turns the corner against Roughnecks

Student of the Week

PHS student of the week is Lesli Rowe, a senior and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rowe. She was nominated by Mrs. Dorsett, who said, "Lesli has set high goals for herself. She works very hard to achieve these goals; however, she does not want anyone to make a big deal about her accomplishments. She prefers to work "behind the scenes" not "in the spotlight". Not only is she a great student, she is active in FCA, has placed in many UIL journalism and ready writing events, has won acting awards in many One Act Play, and received a high score at the State solo and ensemble competition with her singing. She always wants to do

her best, and I see that with her dedication to the Student Council."

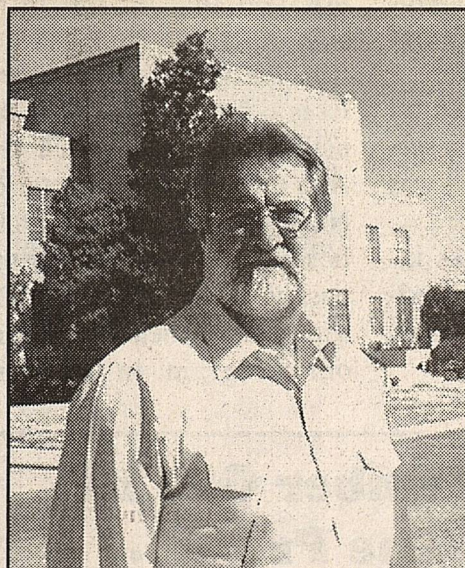


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DUE NOTICE OF ELECTION
Notice of election of Director to represent Subdivision No. Four of the Yoakum County Soil and Water Conservation District No. 150. The Yoakum County SWCD will hold the election at the Yoakum County Community Center at 9 A.M. on October 4, 2000 with Representative Gary Walker as the speaker. Subdivision No. Four includes all lands in the Northwest 1/4 of Yoakum County with boundaries the same as Precinct 4, except for lands included in Subdivision No. 5.

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50th Wedding Anniversary



Long time Plains residents Billy and Zareta Winn will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary Saturday, September 30. The couple were married in Lamesa, Texas on September 30, 1950. They have four children, ten grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Grand Jury Hands Down Eleven Indictments

The Yoakum County Grand Jury returned eleven criminal indictments on September 14. The following summary includes the defendant, the criminal offense, felony degree and bond amounts.

Jesus Javier Rodriguez was indicted for criminal conspiracy to deliver more than 50 pounds of Marijuana, a second degree felony. Bond was \$30,000.

Rodolfo Javier Rodriguez was indicted for criminal conspiracy to deliver more than 50 pounds of Marijuana, a second degree felony. Bond was \$25,000.

Mike L. Sanders was indicted for burglary of a habitation, a second degree felony enhanced 25-99 years or life. Bond was \$5,000.

Michael Wayne Scott was indicted for burglary of a building, a state jail felony. Bond was \$1,500.

Adam Paul Ocanas a/k/a Adam Ocanas was indicted for driving while intoxicated 3rd or more, a third degree felony en-

hanced 25-99 years or life. Bond was \$2,500.

Jamie Carrasco, Jr. a/k/a Jamie Carrasco was indicted on assault on public servant, a third degree felony. (guilty plea 9/18/00).

Jamie Carrasco, Jr a/k/a Jamie Carrasco was indicted for another assault on public servant, a third degree felony. (guilty plea 9/18/00).

James Scott Norris was indicted for driving while intoxicated, a third degree felony. Bond was \$2,500.

Adolfo L. Alvarez a/k/a Adolfo Lujan Alvarez, Jr. was indicted for driving while intoxicated 3rd or more, a third degree felony enhanced second degree felony. Bond was \$1,000.

Arron Lytle was indicted for burglary of a habitation, a second degree felony. Bond was \$1,500.

Valente Castillo Jr. was indicted for driving while intoxicated, a third degree felony. Bond was \$1,500.

Local Agency Addresses Major Increase in Diabetes

South Plains Public Health District is administering a special program for uninsured adults with diabetes who reside in Gaines, Terry, and Yoakum counties. Funding for this program is received from the Texas Department of Health's Primary Health Care program and includes financial assistance for physician services, health education, diagnostics tests, pharmacy supplies, and preventative health screenings/services. The burden of diabetes in adults in the United States has increased substantially over the last decade. Diabetes represents a serious health risk to millions of Americans, according to new research published by the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in the September 2000 issue of Diabetes Care.

Between 1990 and 1998, a 70% increase in diabetes was found among individuals aged 30-39 years of age, followed by an increase of 40% among those aged 40-49 years of age, and 31% increase among those age 50-59. In addition, the researchers found a 63% increase in diabetes cases among individuals with some college education, followed by a 47% increase among those who were college graduates.

Diabetes is the seventh leading cause of death in this country and a major contributor to such health problems as heart disease, stroke, blindness, high blood pressure, kidney disease, and amputations. Approximately 800,000 new cases of diabetes are diagnosed annually in the United States. "Although specific numbers of newly diagnosed diabetics are not available for our three county area, we anticipate our rate of newly diagnosed diabetics is as high or higher than the national average," stated Vee Ann Carter, R.N., Director of Nurses for South Plains Public Health District. "During the past year we had over 125 adults with diabetes enrolled in our program in Yoakum

County alone. We suspect many others, especially younger adults less than 55 years of age, do not realize they have diabetes yet."

For the past ten years, South Plains Health District has provided care for uninsured diabetics in Gaines, Terry, and Yoakum counties who meet the financial guidelines of the Primary Health Care program. This includes arranging for outpatient care and pharmacy supplies through local physicians, hospital lab, and retail pharmacies in Yoakum county. Education on how to take care of their diabetes is provided enrolled patients at monthly sessions with the SPPHD public health nurses. SPPHD nurses will arrange diabetes screening at the SPPHD field

office upon request to the general public. For further information on enrolling in the SPPHD Diabetes Care program or for further information on diabetes, please contact Tonnia Williams, R.N., or Estella Ramos, PHC Eligibility Clerk, at the local SPPHD Field Office at their new location at 105 Mustang Avenue, Denver City, or call 592-2706.

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Treatment Facility, and serve there at least 90 days and not more than one year. He was represented by Attorney Bill Helwig. Criminal District Attorney Richard Clark represented the state.

1925: John G. Tower (US Senator 1961 to 1985) born in Houston. He died in a plane crash near Brunswick, Georgia, April 5, 1991.

Anyone can get diabetes - but the risk is greater than normal if you...

- *Are 40 years or older
 - *Are overweight
 - *Have a family history of diabetes
 - *Had diabetes during pregnancy
 - *Had a baby weighing over 9 pounds
 - *Are of Hispanic, African American or American Indian heritage
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Currently the Plains EMS is staffed by five people - EMT Inter-mediate Joe Humphrey, Freda Humphrey and Marc Traweek, and two EMT Basics, Charles Diamond and Alfred Loya. A basic EMT class starts in Seagraves October 19 in Seagraves. Three ladies from Seagraves will take the course, but we need more help from PLAINS! A number of inquiries have been made about EMS certification, and NOW is the time to enroll in this nearby course...it's much closer than Lubbock. If you have any questions about the role EMS plays, contact City Hall or one of your local EMS personnel.

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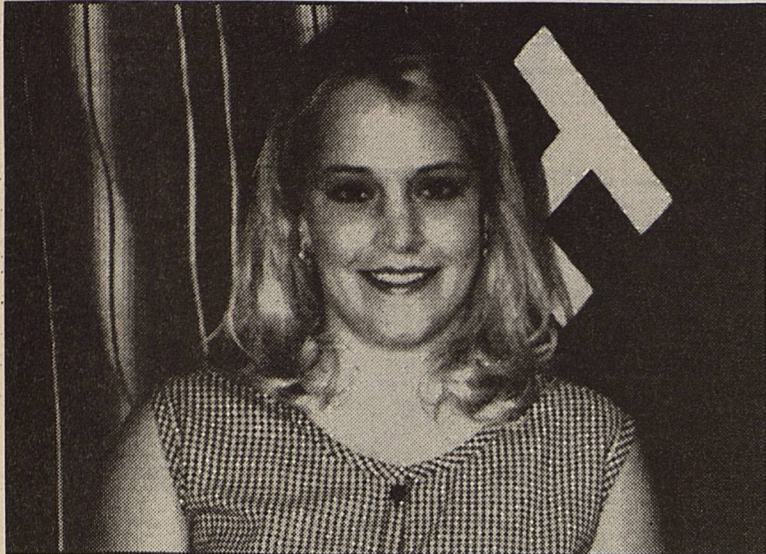
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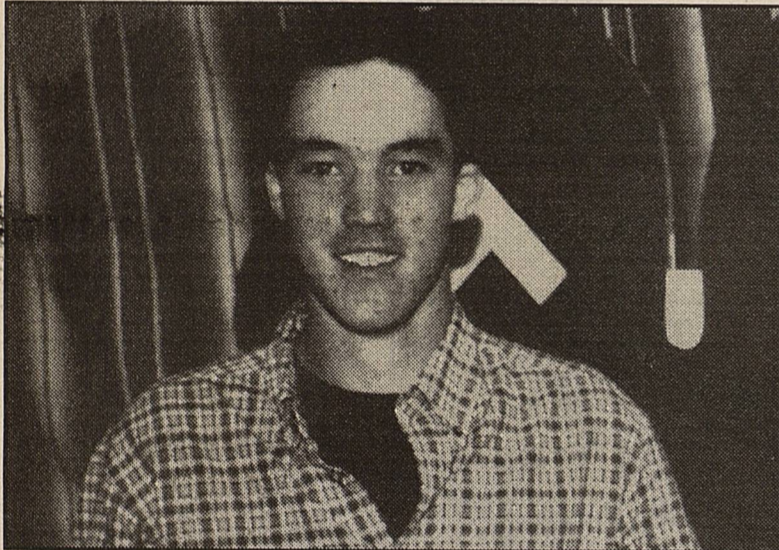
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Kimbe Jones - 4-H Watermelon Scholarship
the 4-H members to "Dare To Dream", and to live up to the 4-H motto, "To make the best better."
Receiving awards for 4-H Record Books presented by Diane Moore were Chelsea-Anne Bearden, Chance & T.J.



Logan Wood - Silver Star
Kitchens, Ragan McGinty, Landra and Logan Wood. Outstanding Leader awards went to Shelly Lowrey and Dottie



Joel Horn - "I Dare You"
Mayes. The "I Dare You" award to work harder was presented to Grady McNabb and Joel Horn.
The Silver Star Award, presented to Junior 2 4-H mem-

Garden Club Meets

The Plains Garden Club met September 19th in the clubroom with Debbie Morphus, President, presiding over the meeting. Kay Canon was elected Vice President for the upcoming year.

Yearbooks were given to each member. After the business session, Ruby Sellers, presented a program on "Gardening In Texas", presenting pamphlets to those attending.

The District Zone Meeting will be held in Levelland on November 1, in the Sundown

Room at South Plains College. Hint for this month; Begin fall landscaping projects. Trees and shrubs planted this month will be well established next spring. Start winterizing lawn with pre-emergent weed control.

Those attending the meeting included Debbie Morphus, Kat Canon, Ruby Sellers, Mary Lou Parks, Dean Richardson, Velma Dearing and Ita Young.

The next club meeting will be on October 17th in the clubroom.

Wedding Plans Announced



Sharon Looney and Morgan Marie are proud to announce the upcoming wedding of their daughter and mother Barbara Marie Baker to AIC Cory Reid Shook.

The bride - elect is a 1998 graduate of Denver City high school. The bride - groom is a 1999 graduate of Seagraves high school. He is currently serving his second year in the U.S. Air Force.

The wedding will be held on December 16, 2000, at 4:00 p.m. at the Seagraves First Baptist Church.

The family will reside in Dover, Delaware. Family and friends of the couple are invited.

Library Story

Time

Story Hour on Wednesday, September 19th, was a happy time. We said the pledges to the flags, sang songs, heard a fannelboard story, "Jack and the Beanstalk", read the book, "Dear Zoo", and saw a movie, "Officer Buckle and Gloria". Special reader, Ester Martinez, read "Todderobics" to the children. The children attending were: Bailey Winn, Micah St. Romain, Kay'D Lamar, Clayton Gass, Jentry Wall, Claire Carpenter, Bailey Rios, Aaron Ramos, Colby Bearden, Lucas Hernandez, and Sienna Sosa.

Thank You Plains

for all the love, prayers and food at the time of our great loss, and for all the wonderful friendship extended to us.

The Hoss Newsom Family

Senior Citizens Corner

We had a very good crowd for the pool tournament. Winners were: Men 8 ball, 1st place Joe Trujillo, 2nd Pete Acusubas. 9 ball: 1st Carl Davis, 2nd Pete Acusubas. Women 8 ball, 1st Ireta Davis, 2nd Inez Turner. 9 ball: 1st Bertha Byrd, 2nd Ireta Davis.

We have a memory fund in memory of people that have passed away. That is one way we have of raising money for the Center.

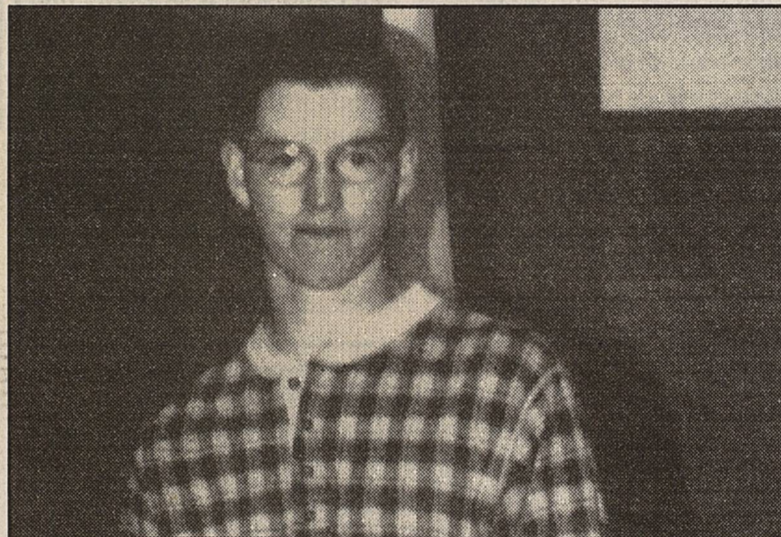
Our working staff consists of

head cook, assistant cook, dishwasher, bus driver, and of course Site Director. U.S.D.A. and T.D.O.A help us with our funding, also Green Thumb pays for one worker.

We have some in hospitals here, Andrews and Lubbock.

Don't forget to call in to eat if you are not registered. You must call by 10:00 am. or the day before you want to eat Till next week.

Wanda B.



Grady McNabb - "I Dare You"

bers for outstanding performance, was presented to T.J. Kitchens and Logan Wood. The Gold Star award, the highest given to 4-H members on the county level, was won by Ragan McGinty. Ragan also accepted the Blaine McWhirter Memorial Scholarship award, given by Macky and Connie McWhirter, and the Tokio Coop Gin Scholarship, presented by gin manager Marc Traweek.

Kimberlee Jones received the 4-H Watermelon Scholarship, provided by Deroy Anderson, Todd Anderson, Eddie Earnest and Macky McWhirter. Aleicia Bearden McCullough was the recipient of the Margaret Box Scholarship, given by the Yoakum County FCE Council.

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From The Hack

Prior to last Friday night's football game here, I saw a man, probably in his twenties, sitting on a stuffed full duffel bag at the edge of the highway in front of Eddins-Walcher, hitchhiking. It momentarily brought back old, and I mean OLD memories. I did my share of it while in the Navy saving the world from communism.

Following the game, I cruised through town, and there the same guy sat. He did optimistically rise and stick up his thumb as I neared, and looked a bit crestfallen as I signaled I was turning around.

I wondered, "Where have all the hitchhikers gone?" Twenty, thirty, forty years ago, it seemed like you would pass one every few miles. While stationed in Memphis, Tennessee, I once took to the road on Friday afternoon of the Labor Day weekend, bound for Pecos, Texas. I was there early Saturday afternoon. I again stuck up my thumb Monday morn, and was back at the Naval Air Station in plenty of time to not be counted AWOL. I know the fact I wore my white uniform helped my excellent progress on the trip, as it did countless other times before I became affluent enough to get a car financed (dad's signature helped convince the banker of my credit worthiness) a couple of years before I got out.

Is the reduction in numbers of hitchhikers a sign of our supposed booming economy? Are all those down and out types formerly lining theroads with a thumb in the air, and a hand printed sign reading Tulsa, or El Paso or Buffalo Gap now

driving their own vehicles, or soaring over in a jet, or sitting before a high-dollar, high-tech computer? It's a puzzling mystery to me, one I shall probably lose 27 seconds sleep worrying about tonight.

I do hope the young man is not still sitting in front of Eddins-Walcher. He could get recruited to join the Table Of Wisdom crew.

I must be missing something, or possibly I'm just very slow. I am not at all sure I fully understand Wee Willie's decision to tap into the Strategic Petroleum Reserve supply of oil stored in salt domes.

He says it makes good sense, and is in no way a political ploy to boost Gore and other Demo's chances come November 7.

There's supposed to be 571 million barrels of crude stored in the SPR, and he wants to auction off 30 million barrels "to boost supplies and help lower consumer prices, and ensure an adequate supply of heating oil for Americans."

According to a number of sources, including the Department of Energy, the 30 million barrels will be withdrawn over a thirty day period. The reserve crude could be processed to create an additional 3 to 5 million barrels of heating oil, plus other products. There are a couple of problems raising troublesome heads at this point. Number one, the East Coast alone uses 900,000 barrels of heating oil each day in winter. Processing the additional 3 to 5 million barrels over a 30 DAY PERIOD adds a mere drop or two of heating oil to that used daily. Problem number 2 is processing the stored crude. Oil officials and analysts report our national refining capacity is already running around 96 percent capacity. An additional problem is the quality of the reserve stored oil. Two of the underground reservoirs contain oil high in sulfur, or "Sour" oil, and many refineries are not equipped to process this lower quality oil.

There's another possible stumbling block here. Buyers must bid on the stored oil in a swap type scenario. They submit the low bid and start removing the oil in October, 2000, IF they can find a refinery willing

and able to process the crude. Come 2001, those buyers must replace the amount of oil they withdrew from reserve storage, plus a bonus percentage of oil. Is there anyone out there anywhere (I have already ruled out anyone with any type official governmental role in Washington, DC) who can accurately tell me and the rest of the world what the nation's petroleum industry will be looking at a year from now, much less the world petroleum industries???

I know many think the decision is non-political, something good, even noble. My personal notion is, I smell something terribly putrid, and I know there's no dead stuff lying about unburied. I bet Al Gore is privately singing, "Yes, Virginia, there really is a Santa Claus, cause old Bubba from Arkansas just gave this Tennessee boy a neat Christmas gift!"

From Page 1, "New Doctor" recently have two Registered Nurses in his clinic. "They are my right and left hands, and their extensivetraining is invaluable for our patients." The new doctor said he was

very eager to let the women of the county and surrounding area to know it would be no longer necessary to make long, time consuming and expensive trips out of town to seek specialized services. "I also want our local ladies to be aware of one of my firm beliefs. It is not necessary to suffer many medical problems which come with age. Common problems such as osteoporosis, hormone imbalance and replacement, can be effectively treated with today's advances in medical treatment skills and technology. Physicians and medicine cannot stop the ageing process, but we can make great strides in making women's later years true quality years. 60 and 70 years no longer means our ladies are necessarily old."

The Doctor added, "Recently I visited the Senior Citizen Center here. I met many of the regular attendees, and I am sincerely convinced, my staff and I are convinced we can provide excellent medical service for 50 to 70 percent of those ladies, and ensure they continue to have quality lifestyles."

The PHS Advanced Placement Biology class would like to alert all citizens of Plains about our new, insightful and much needed water conservation program. Obviously, West Texas is knee deep in a drought demolishing our water supply, the Ogallala aquifer. Because of drought, everyone desperately needs to conserve water throughout the area. It is most difficult when we have a large agricultural domain, but we all need to find ways to cut back. No one seems to understand, once our water is gone, it's gone forever. Unfortunately, we have delegated a HAND IN HAND WE TAKE A STAND program to save what is left of our water.

This program is basically an educational tool to teach children and teenagers how to conserve water and why is so vitally important, and adults get to help too. We want everyone to be involved. The more who help, the more water we save. Pamphlets will be handed and pledge sheets will be available to support the cause at businesses throughout town. After pledging, a blue paper hand will symbolize your promise to contribute to saving water. If you have any questions and comments about the program please contact our Teacher, Miss McMravey at the school, 456-7495.

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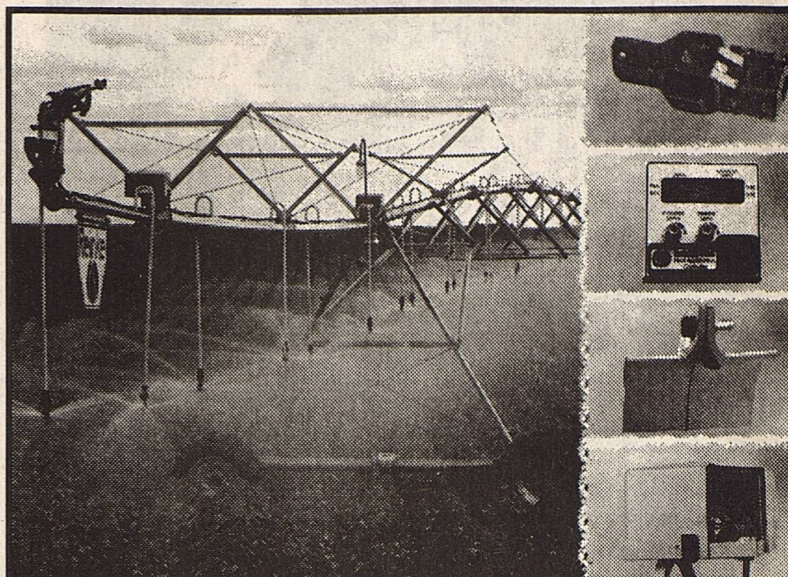
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