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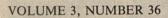
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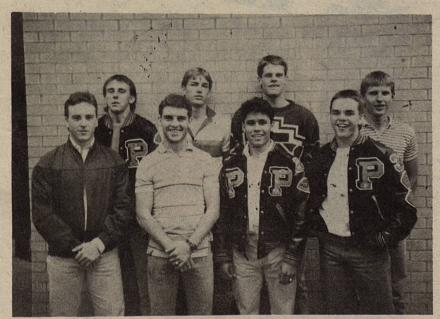
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Santa Visits Plains



ALL DISTRICT TEAM - Back row, ltr, are Jeff Ashburn, junior offensive tightend; Shane McMinn, senior defensive secondary and quarterback; Scott Lowrey, senior wide receiver; Lebert Powell, junior defensive downlineman; and front row, ltr, Brad McWhirter, senior offensive guard; Doug Green, senior defensive end; Michael Diaz, senior defensive back; and Blake McWhirter, junior defensive linebacker.



GOOD CROWD TURNS OUT FOR 3rd Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony

Christmas Season OpensWith Annual Tree Lighting

Christmas officially arrived in Plains Wednesday evening, Dec. 2 with the lighting ceremony in Pioneer Plaza and an early visit by Santa Claus.

Jim Warren, president of Plains Chamber of Commerce, served as master of ceremonies. A Christmas devotion, "The Star, The Song, The Gift" was given by L.D. Hinson, pastor of the Assembly of God.

Christmas carols were led by Mike Holster, minister of music and youth at First Baptist Church. Byron Morgan, band director, directed selections by the Cowboy Band.

Members of Yoakum County Child Welfare Board made pictures of children as they visited Santa. Approximately 80 family group pictures were made. Board members exchanged helium filled balloons with children bringing a can of food to be donated to "Operation Blessing"

Following the program, hot chocolate and coffee were served by members of Yoakum County Extension Homemakers and Plains Lions Club, respectively.

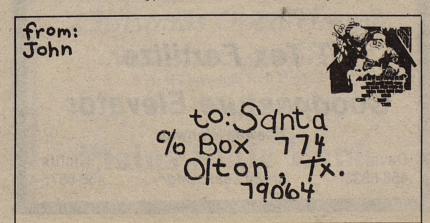
Chamber Begins Decorating Contest

Plains Chamber of Commerce invites all local businesses to participate in a Christmas Decorating Contest.

Businesses are asked to have the decorations completed by Tuesday, Dec. 15.

Boys & Girls...

Don't forget to mail in your Santa Letters before Thursday, Dec. 17...or leave them at Pay-N-Save



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Commissioners Court

Commissioners Court met in special session Monday.

In official action, the court corrected order setting fees for the sheriff and constables of Yoakum County to become effective Jan. 1. Service of citations and precepts, summons and subpoenas was set at \$30; show cause orders to service of writs from \$30 to \$35 and under service of citation, "in Justice of the Peace Court" was deleted.

The court voted to advertise for sealed bids for the sale of hospital equipment and supplies according to a list held by Hospital Administrator Ed Rogers. Same must be removed from present location by second week in January. Bids are to be received by Dec. 29.

Line item transfer to cover the unbudgeted amount for hospitalization insurance due to increase in rates was approved.

Card Of Thanks

We wish to extend our thanks, support and appreciation to the class of '83 for the flowers sent in memory of Ray Lemley.

Nelton, Julia, Vicki and Lee

I would like to make public my intentions of seeking re-election to the post of County Commissioner, Precinct Three, Yoakum County.

My reasons for seeking re-election are the same as they were the first time I ran for public office. I was raised in Yoakum County, and have a love for the people and a desire to serve them every way possible. It has been a privilege to serve as your county commissioner and I feel that this experience will better enable me to represent you in the most effective and efficient manner. I thank you for the encouragement you have shown in the past, and will appreciate your continued support.

Thank you, Jim Barron



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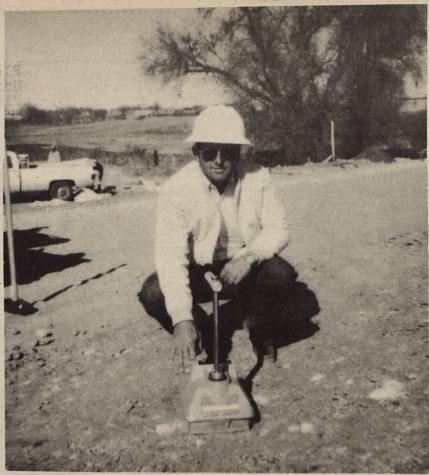
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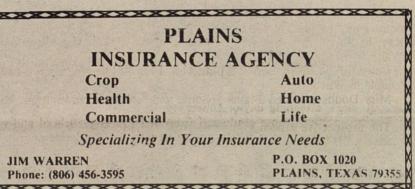
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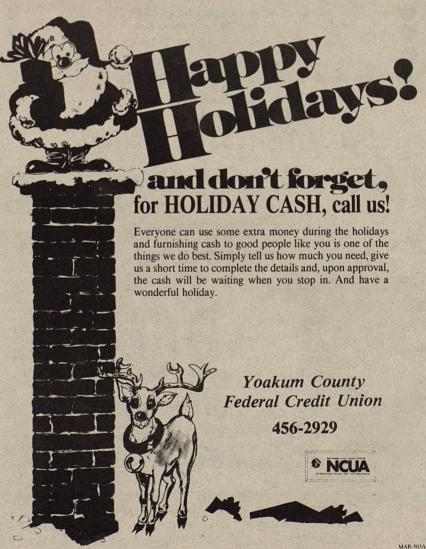
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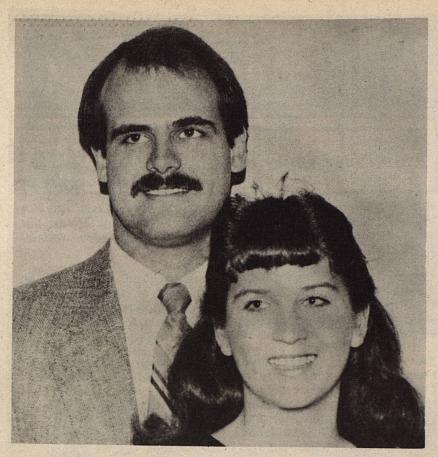
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AT WORK ON SH 214 - Gary Smith, engineer technician with the State Highway Division of Texas, is shown taking compaction density with a nuclear density guage in fill north on 214. A native of Plains, he is the son of Amos and Doris Smith. Construction on 214 is being performed by Ivan Dement Construction.







RONALD LEE WALTS & DENA KAY DODDS

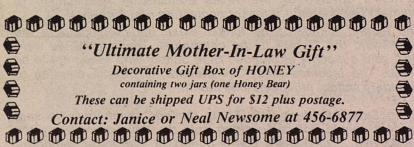
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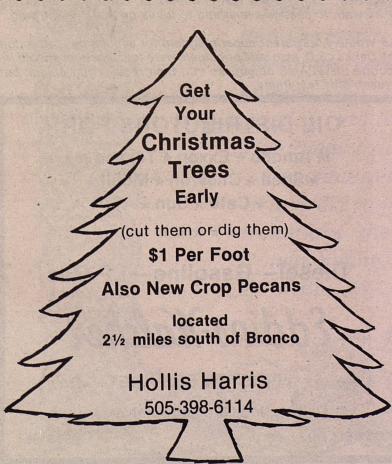
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Neal Dodds of Iraan, former residents of Plains, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Dena Kay, to Ronald Lee Walts, son of Mrs. Joan Walts of Del Rio and Joe Walts Jr. of San Antonio.

Vows will be solemnized at 2 p.m. Feb. 13 in Baylor University's Miller

Miss Dodds attended Plains Schools and graduated from Iraan High School. She is attending Baylor University.

The prospective groom graduated from Del Rio High School and will receive a BBA degree in marketing from Baylor University this month.





Bridal Shower Compliments Mrs. Ruben Duran Tuesday

Mrs. Ruben Duran, nee Lisa Ellison, was feted with a bridal courtesy Tuesday evening in the Heritage Room of Yoakum County Library.

Honor guests were the honoree's mother, Sandra Ellison, and grandmothers, Pearl Ellison and Louise Smith of Tahoka. Leann Ellison, sister of the honoree, was also a special guest.

Refreshments of cookies, mints and punch were served from a party table laid with an ecru lace cloth over blue. Adorning the table was an arrangement of silk flowers in shades of blue. Blue napkins were imprinted with the bride and groom's names.

Hostesses presented the honoree with a corsage designed of small kitchen gadgets tied with blue silk flowers and ribbons, cookware, an electric broom, ironing board and

Assisting with hostess duties were Jeannette Head, Joan Warren, Dolores Davis, Virginia Sanders, Blanche Dyer, Brenda Canada, Linda Powell, Sue Randall, Clydell Hale, Martha Palmer, Melba Fitzgerald, Crip Henard, Mae Barnett, Florence Bookout, Annette Cleveland, Sarah Fjeld, Sarah K. Burrus, Sit Jones, Mary Dale Williams, Jimmie Blunt and Louise

Children Present Program For Fine Arts Club Thursday

"Christmas With The Kids" was the theme of Thursday evening's meeting of Plains Fine Arts Club. Directing the program was Billie Blundell.

Accompanied by Kelley Clay, Joshua and Daniel Clay and Aaron Cain sang "Jingle Bells". "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" was sung by Betsy, Heather and Valerie Blair with Cynthia Blair accompanying. Kelley Clay also accompanied Kaleb Clay who sang "The Sleep of Baby Jesus".

Kim McClure played a piano solo, "Amazing Grace". Kristi Mc-Clure played "Have a Holly Jolly Christmas". Together, Kim and Kristi sang "I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus" with piano accompaniment by Melba Crutcher.

Everyone present joined in sing-

Hostesses were Dolores Davis, Gale McDonnell and Barbara

Guests attending were Kay Mc-Clure and Janie Crawford. Other members attending were Beth Ann Cain, Mary Dale Williams, Annette Cleveland, Eileen Carnohan and Judi Addison.

Mr., Mrs. Young Are Honored

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Young were honored Saturday afternoon with a sixtieth wedding anniversary reception in fellowship hall of First Baptist Church.

Relatives of the couple hosted the

Young and the former Ita Parks were married Dec. 25, 1967 in Brownfield.

Guests attended from Carrolton, Lubbock, Monahans, Tahoka, Happy, Hamlin, Littlefield, Ralls, Seagraves, Pampa, Seminole, Breckenridge, Tokio and Plains.

Out of state guests attended from Hobbs and House, N.M. and Durango, Colo.





Plains Independent School District



ALL DISTRICT HONORABLE MENTION -- top row, ltr, Brian Livengood, junior offensive tackle; Kenley Powell, senior defensive downlineman; Kevin Lowrey, junior center; Don Booth, senior offensive tackle; Jesse Flores, senior defensive secondary and front row, ltr, Alex Barrientes, junior offensive back and punter; Michael Diaz, senior defensive end; Doug Green, senior wide receiver; and Chad Wall, junior linebacker.





BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Toast, oatmeal, raisins, grape juice and milk.

TUESDAY - Donut, apple juice

WEDNESDAY - Toast, scrambled eggs, orange juice and milk.

THURSDAY - Waffles, syrup, butter, tomato juice and milk.

FRIDAY - Corn Pops, pineapple juice and milk.

MONDAY - Taco w/taco sauce, peas, lettuce, tomato, crackers, cherry shortcake and milk.

TUESDAY - Pizza, corn, tossed salad, peanut butter, honey, hot rolls and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Hamburgers, lettuce/pickle/onion rings, potato chips, fruit, brownies and milk.

THURSDAY - Barbecue on plate, pinto beans, potato salad, cornbread, apricot cobbler and

FRIDAY - Roast w/gravy, green beans, lettuce wedge, hot rolls, chocolate pudding and milk.

School Events

MONDAY: School Board Meeting at 7 p.m.; BB 7/8/9 Boys against Morton, here at 5 p.m.; BB 7/8/9 Girls at Morton, beginning at 5 p.m. TUESDAY: BB BbGg at 5 p.m. here against Meadow; Senior Rings Delivered

THURSDAY: BB B/G Bovina Tourn.; Elementary Faculty Christmas Party at 5 p.m.

FRIDAY: Faculty Christmas Breakfast, Resource Center at 7:30 a.m.; BB Bovina Tourn. continues SATURDAY: BB Bovina Tourn. continues

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MONDAY:

2 p.m. - 1987 Boys BB against Seagraves TUESDAY:

2:30 p.m. - 1987 Girls BB against Seagraves

WEDNESDAY: 2:30 p.m. - National Honor Society

Initiation THURSDAY:

2:30 p.m. - 1987 Girls BB against Whitharral FRIDAY:

2 p.m. - 1987 Boys BB against Whitharral

From The Superintendent's Desk



At one time our students competed with their classmates for grades and pretty much was the end of the story. Today, our students not only compete with classmates for grades but with all other students across the state.

Grades 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11 take a standardized test known as T.E.A.M.S. (Texas Educational Assessment of Minimum Skills). Starting with the class of 1992, high school seniors will have to write an acceptable essay for graduation, under a new rule approved by the State Board of Education.

Keith Cruse, director of student assessment for the Texas Education Agency, said the essay requirement would make the graduation test more difficult than called for in the state's 1984 school reform law. "This is a step taken by the State Board of Education in keeping with its long range plan to increase the rigor of the TEAMS test, to increase the standards that we have for our youngsters in the academic achievement areas," Cruse said.

Cruse said the new section of the graduation test would require students to write one essay on a topic specified in the exam. The composition would be in addition to the 72 math and 72 English questions that make up the current test.

More than 18,000 students across Texas did not receive diplomas last Spring because they failed the TEAMS exam.

In other action the State Board adopted a formula to cut high school funding by an estimated \$26 million this year. The cut is needed because the Texas Legislature reduced state agency funding across the board before approving the budget for this two-year fiscal cycle. The board will consider the formula again after enrollment figures are updated in January. The cut is expected to mean an average loss of about \$9.00 per student statewide.

In other reports, several Dallas teachers say they were told to teach the items covered by the Texas Educational Assessment of Minimum Skills even if it meant neglecting other material.

"The learner standards no longer exist; the curriculum is the TEAMS and the TEAMS is the curriculum. That's what we were told," said a teacher at Samuell High School who asked not to be named. The teachers made the statements after a meeting of secondary school principals this month.

Acting Superintendent Otto Fridia denied the charge. He said teachers should not be teaching only the items covered by the TEAMS test. "The TEAMS test is important, but not so important that we want to change everything to focus on that," Fridia said.

Chad Woolery, assistant superintendent for secondary instruction in the Dallas I.S.D. also said principals were told teachers should incorporate the TEAMS objectives into their regular curriculum, but not teach only test items.

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Reese Captain Speaks To Lions

Capt. Bob McManaway was guest speaker Thursday for the luncheon meeting of Plains Lions Club. He spoke of the organization and facilities of Reese Air Force Base for training pilots.

Guests attending were Louise Cobb, Mike Cobb, Jack Cobb, Joe Thompson, Sudie Thompson, Edna Chambliss, Beverly Lowrey, Vaughn Culwell, Carolyn Culwell, Virginia Sanders and Mary Jo StRomain.

Attending were Dick McGinty, Paul Cobb, Ken Peterson, Murrell Thompson, Wayne House, Larry Mason, Pete StRomain, Jim Barron, Johnny Fitzgerald, David Kight, Milton Bayer, Charles Oswalt, Kenneth McGinty, L.J. Sanders and Alma Lynn McGinty.



GUEST SPEAKER at Thursday's Lions Club meeting was Capt. Bob McManaway from Reese Air Force Base near Lubbock. Standing with him is Lions Club host, L.J. Sanders.

"NO USE"

James Whitcomb Riley wrote these words:

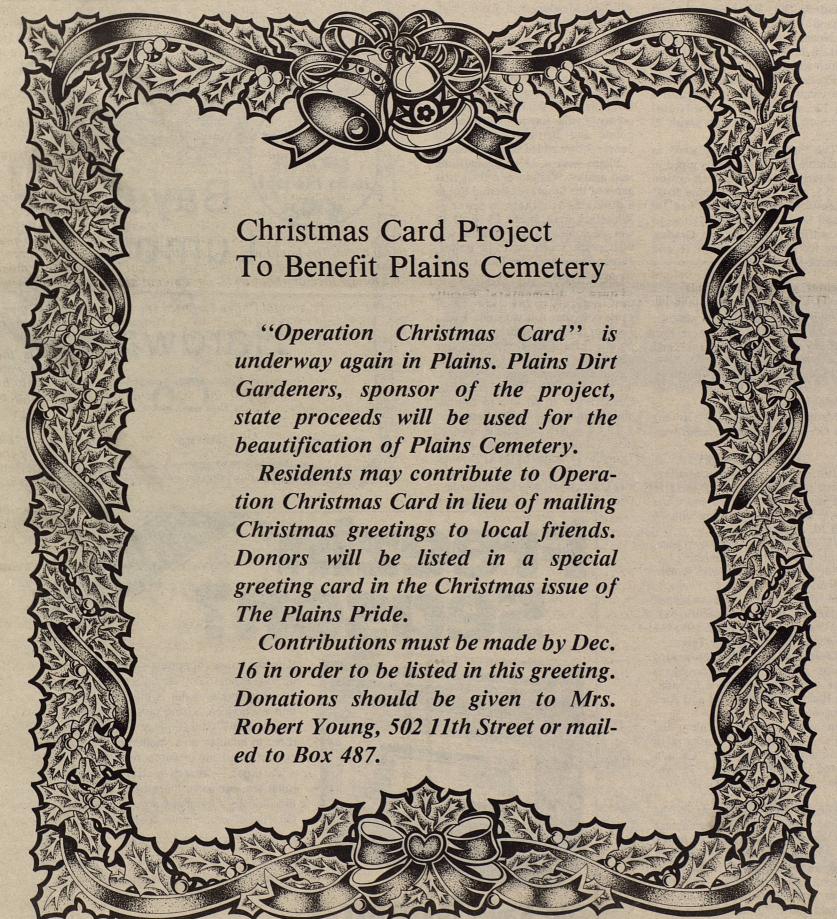
"It is no use to grumble and complain;

It's just as cheap and easy to rejoice,

When God sorts out the weather and sends the rain—
Why rain's my choice."

Numbers 11:1 reads "And when the people complained, it displeased the Lord."

God hath not promised Sun without rain; Joy without sorrow, Peace without pain. But God hath promised Strength for the day, Rest for the labor and Light for the way; Grace for the trials, Help from above, unfailing Sympathy and undying Love.





ON THE HARD COURT

JUNIOR HIGH

Basketball action for Plains Junior High found the seventh grade boys winning 28-23 Nov. 16 over Morton. Brad Ashburn led the scoring with 9; Rickey Gonzales had

Morton beat the Eighth Grade Boys 47-17. Joe Martinez was high scorer with 11.

Falling 21-29 to Denver City Nov. 23, the Seventh Grade was led by Ashburn with 9 and Jr. Lira with 6.

The Eighth Grade fell that day, 31-43 to Denver City. Martinez scored 14.

In play Nov. 30, Seagraves teams handed the Wranglers losses. Seventh grade fell 27-33 with Ashburn getting 14; Eighth Grade lost 18-23 with Martinez and Jason Smith scoring 7 and 5, respectively.

Plains Seventh Grade got back in the winning column Dec. 7 with a 46-32 win over Brownfield. Ashburn had a great game with 23 points.

The Eighth Grade lost 50-65 to Seminole despite 22 points piped in by Martinez. Bringing their season to 0-5, they lost by the same 50-65 score to Morton. Martinez had 19; Jason Smith, 12. In a 40-51 loss to Brownfield, the Eighth Graders were led by Martinez with 16 and Garrick Engle's 11.

NINTH GRADE

Plains 9th Grade Cowboys opened their season with a 51-34 win over Morton. Leading scorers were Dan Rushing, 16; Mario Medina, 13; and Monte Pierce, 12.

Seagraves handed the team their first loss, 45-52. Medina led the scoring with 13.

Medina scored 23 points in the 9th Grade's 40-79 loss to Seagraves.

JUNIOR VARSITY

Junior Varsity roundballers began play Dec. 2, falling 48-55 to Seagraves. Shawn Booth and Chris Gayle were leading scorers with 16 and 10, respectively.

JV Cowboys won their own tournament with Tatum finishing second; Seagraves, third and Sudan, fourth.

In the opener, Plains whipped Sudan, 48-30 with Gayle scoring 13. Booth scored 12 and Gayle 10 in the Cowboys' 60-40 win over Tatum.

Claiming the championship, Plains won 83-60 over Seagraves back of scoring by Daniel Canada, 16; Blake McWhirter, 15; and Alex Barrientes, 14.

In action Tuesday evening, the Plains squad handed Whitharral a resounding 82-23 loss. Canada scored 13; Henry Gonzales, 12; Anthony Asebedo, 12 and Gayle, 10.

The JV Cowgirls hosted the Plains Junior Varsity Tournament last weekend. Seagraves defeated the Cowgirls 49 to 27 Saturday in their final game of the round robin bracket. Melissa Green was high point with 20 points. Vee Ann Fitzgerald added 7 points. Other team members include Leslie Patton,

Sandra Ramos, Nancy Jimenez, Angie Murph, Michelle Lowe and Roseanne Martinez.

The Sudan Hornets outscored the Cowgirls 29 to 13 in their first game of the tournament. Melissa Green and Nancy Jimenez had four points

The Cowgirls held a seven point lead at halftime of the Plains vs. O'Donnell contest but the Eagles came back in the fourth quarter to win the game 38 to 34. Top scorers were Melissa Green, 12 points; Nancy Jimenez, 10 points; Leslie Patton, Vee Ann Fitzgerald and Sandra Ramos, four points each. The JV will host Meadow in a 5 p.m. contest next Tuesday.

VARSITY

The Cowgirls were defeated 67 to 39 in an out of town contest with Whitharral Tuesday night. Karen Cobb was high point scorer with 13 points. Lydia Jimenez recorded 12 points and Bertha Gonzales and Juhree Stowe added six points each.

Plains held a 23 to 22 halftime lead against Whiteface in their first game of the Seagraves Round Robin Tournament last weekend. Whiteface went ahead 63 to 45 to win the contest. Lydia Jimenez was high point scorer with 14 points. Juhree Stowe and Lisa Flores added six points each.

The Eunice Cardinals outscored the Cowgirls 72 to 28 in their second game of the tournament. Lydia Jimenez led the Cowgirls with seven points; Lisa Flores recorded five points.

Lydia Jimenez scored 20 points in the Cowgirls 41 to 60 points in the Cowgirls' 41 to 60 loss to tournament host, Seagraves last Saturday.

The Cowgirls were scheduled to play Tahoka in a 6 p.m. contest Thursday, Dec. 10 at the O'Donnell Invitational Basketball Tournament, which will conclude Saturday, Dec. 12. The team will host Meadow

Tuesday night in their next regular scheduled game.

Cowboy basketballers opened their season Dec. 1 with a 58-71 loss to Seagraves. High scorers for Plains were Doug Green and Shane McMinn with 17 and 16, respectively

Playing in the Seagraves Tourney, the Cowboys fell to Whiteface, 27-60. Leading the scoring for Plains were Scott Lowrey, 18; McMinn, 13 and Micah Stowe, 10.

In heart-stopping play Dec. 4, the Cowboys fell to Eunice with a disappointing overtime score of 57-58. With four seconds to play in OT, Plains shot and missed before fouling with 0 seconds on the clock. Eunice hit the free throw to take the victory

Leading the scoring were McMinn, 18; Jeff Ashburn, 11; and Lowrey, 10.

Pulling out third place in the tourney, the Cowboys fell to

Seagraves 60-73. Ashburn scored 12; Lowrey, 10.

Whitharral handed the Cowboys a 61-64 loss Tuesday evening. Lowrey was high scorer with 17. McMinn had 13; Green, 10.

The Cowboys season stands 1-4.









Filmtime

Filmtime youngsters listened to the reading of "The Christmas Angel" and "Rudolph, the Red Nose Reindeer" and viewed the films, "Mole and the Christmas Tree", "Out on a Limb" and "Turkey, Turkey"

Attending were Tiffany Canon, Cassey and Sarah Alcorta, Amber Bernal, Ty Shearman, Amanda Burton, Jayce Clayton, Chad Maines, Sean Holster, Chase Howell, Carla and Larisha Whittaker, Jared and Justin Bell, Tanya Vasquez, Kyle Kight, Emily Blair, Nancy Koncaba, Elizabeth Clanahan, Tarren and Keenan Hancock, Daniel Clay, Jessica and Jose Luis Mendoza, and Jason and Corey Kelton.

Dear Editor:

Dear Editor:

I recently had the opportunity to attend a special occasion in Plains. I attended the dinner theatre presented by the members and sponsors of the Junior High One-Act-Play. I also enjoyed a delicious spaghetti dinner, followed by an outstanding presentation of the play, "The Miracle Worker" (the story of Helen Keller). I appreciated the effort made to provide a new and unique event for the people of Plains. To those of you who missed it - you missed seeing some very special and talented young people.

Dolores Davis



Junior High Honor Rolls For Second Six Weeks Listed

Honor rolls for the second six weeks at Plains Junior High School is announced by Jimmy Conner, principal.

A-Honor Roll includes:

FIFTH GRADE - Jennifer Earnest, Brad McMinn and Janie

SIXTH GRADE - Tracy Bearden, Jennifer Cowart, Rhonda Cowart, Jennifer Day, Kim McClure and Lenny Morrow.

SEVENTH GRADE - April Horn, Brandy Lester and Keri Powell.

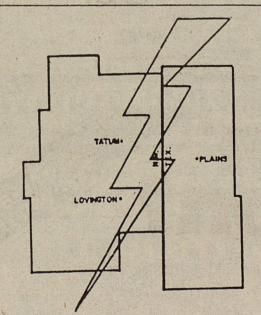
High School Honor Roll Told

Robert Parks, principal of Plains High School, announces the honor rolls for the second six weeks.

A Honor Roll list includes Dundie Alexander, Kris Andrews, Sally Burrus, Elsie Carrillo, Karen Cobb, Phillip Cowart, Keith Earnest, Jesse Flores, Lisa Flores, Nieves Garcia, Bertha Gonzales, Chad Guetersloh, John Harris, Tana Hobbs, Lydia Jimenez and Brian Livengood.

Also Scott Lowrey, Emedelia Luna, Lusema Luna, Heather McGill, Shane McMinn, Lance Morrow, Layne Morrow, Kenley Powell, Jesse Ramirez, Matt Record, Kyle Stephens, Micah Stowe and Chad Wall.

Students earning A-B honor roll status were Wendie Alexander, Daniel Canada, Anthony Day; Vee Ann Fitzgerald, Henry Gonzales, Doug Green, Dain Guetersloh, Lynda Jimenez, Nikki McGinty, Blake McWhirter, Brad McWhirter, Monte Pierce, Lebert Powell, Sara Ruiz, Dan Rushing and MaDawn



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A-B Honor Roll students are: FIFTH GRADE - Angelica Tarango and Shannon Ward.

SIXTH GRADE - Angie Arrellano, Gabriel Flores, Jay Rushing and Shandy Willett.

SEVENTH GRADE - Betsy

EIGHTH GRADE - none listed.

Construction Class To Be Offered

Modular Clothing Construction program will be offered by County Extension Agent Mary Dale Williams, Monday, Dec. 14 beginning at 5:15 p.m. in the Plains Clubroom.

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