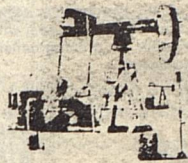


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HOLIDAYS ARE BEHIND US and scenes such as this at Yoakum County Courthouse are fast disappearing as 1988 is well on its way.

*To Vote In '88*

## Texans Urged To Register

Secretary of State Jack Rains announced Monday that his office has begun an unprecedented voter registration drive aimed at signing up 1 million new Texans in 1988.

"Leaders from the business community are here today because they believe as I do -- it's time to draw the line," said Rains, the state's chief elections officer.

"With our new early primary date -- Super Tuesday -- Texans have a golden opportunity," Rains said. "We must force the presidential candidates to make solid commitments on energy policy, distribution of federal funds and other issues that affect our economic climate and quality of life."

"Currently, Texas receives only \$1.00 for every \$1.59 it sends to Washington," the secretary noted. "That's a bad deal and it must change. If we can get the attention of the presidential candidates and force them to address this inequity, we can reverse the trend and begin to receive our fair share."

Rains said the first wave of his

drive -- dubbed Voter '88 -- is underway. The first wave emphasizes registration in the workplace, and the business leaders here in Austin today -- along with countless others across the state -- have pledged their support for Voter '88.

"I've set out to register one million new voters in 1988," Rains announced. "If we are successful, it will shatter all previous voter registration records. And I can assure you it will get the attention of the presidential candidates from both parties."

Rains said the support of the business community is essential to making Voter '88 work. "The way to register new voters is to catch them at the workplace," Rains continued. "Our population is highly mobile. People are constantly moving, and the recent economic dislocations we've seen have compounded the problem. It just makes sense to register people where they spend the day -- at work."

We have commitments from presidents and chief executive of-

ficers from the state's major employers," the secretary said. "They are on the program and are ready to sign up a record number of new voters."

Rains said smaller businesses and traditional voter registration groups are next on the list. "We're sending our mailers to every employer we can find. We also will reach groups that have conducted voter registration drives in the past -- like the League of Women Voters, the NAACP, labor unions and the major political parties -- to let them know what we're doing and to enhance the program."

Voter '88 also will register Texans at airports, hotels, bus stops, restaurants, nursing homes and schools.

Rains emphasized that Voter '88 is nonpartisan and is not designed to help a specific candidate, party or cause. "I'm not worrying about who someone votes for, I just want to make sure they vote," Rains said.

## McDonnell Rites Held In California

Services were held Dec. 29 in California for Jody McDonnell, former resident of Plains, brother of Bob and Mutt McDonnell. Burial was in Riverside, Ca.

Mr. McDonnell died Dec. 24 after suffering a heart attack.

Born Sept. 16, 1923 in Stonewall County to Lizzie and Severe McDonnell, he was a veteran of the U.S. Navy in World War II.

Preceding him in death were two brothers, Quincey and Tommie McDonnell.

Survivors include his wife, Jeanie, of Bellflower, Ca.; a daughter, Joan; a son, Ronnie; four grandchildren, all of California; and two sisters, Naomi Whitehurst of Hobbs, N.M. and Rosa Bell McKee of Elk City, Ok.



JODY McDONNELL

## Spring Registration At South Plains Will Be Jan. 14-15

South Plains College's spring 1988 registration will be Jan. 14-15 in the Student Center, according to Bobby James, SPC director of admissions and registrar.

He explained that those who have already pre-registered need to complete the registration process by paying tuition and fees from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Jan. 14. Registration for evening classes is scheduled from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Jan. 14, while open registration is set from 9 a.m. until noon and 1:30 to 4 p.m. Jan. 15. Interested persons need to contact SPC for a registration time, said James.



STEPHEN ELLISON & RUSSELL WHITE

## Wedding Vows Planned

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil White of Monahans announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Russell, to Stephen L. Ellison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl L. Ellison of Lovington, N.M.

The prospective groom is the grandson of Amos and Doris Smith. Wedding vows will be recited Jan. 9 in the home of the groom's parents. Miss White attended Odessa College and Texas Tech University. She is employed by Barnett Brothers Brokerage in Lubbock.

Ellison graduated from Texas Tech University Dec. 19 with a degree in finance and economics. He plans to enroll in graduate school in the spring semester.

## Gary Sixes Host Holiday Party

Gary and Kathy Six hosted the Yoakum County ASCS Christmas party in their home Dec. 11. Attending were committeemen, clerks and their spouses.

Refreshments of sandwiches, chips, dips, desserts and candy were served. Games of "42" and Pictionary were played.



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## Plains Graduate Receives Degree

Ginger Nance Spiller of Jacksboro graduated from Texas Tech University Dec. 19 with a bachelor of science degree in education. She is a 1984 graduate of Plains High School.

Ms. Spiller's teaching fields are English and speech. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Nance.

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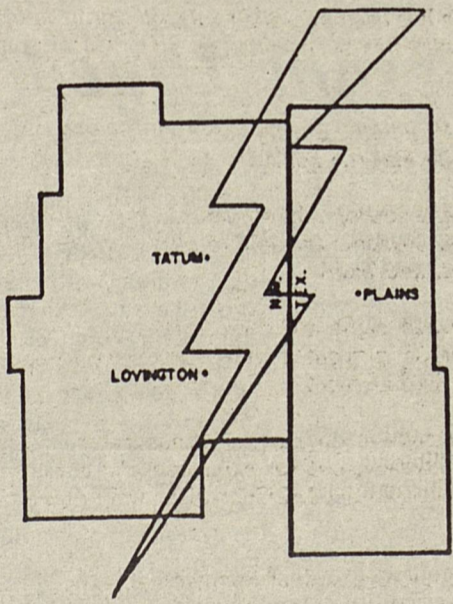


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# Plains Independent School District

## From The Superintendent's Desk

DEAN ANDREWS



The most important topic in any school conversation will deal with the curriculum. Plains I.S.D. has been recognized as having a curriculum equal to the best in this state. Our district ranks in the upper 25 percent of all schools in the State when measuring academic skills. This is the part of school that involves every day hard work. Our teachers and aides are to be commended for their hard work as they seek to serve the needs of our students. Our students are to be commended for their consistent daily achievements as well as those gained in U.I.L. competition.

Curriculum is the heart of our educational system. Plains I.S.D. is working toward a well balanced curriculum as called for by the State Board of Education. Larry Devitt serves as our curriculum director and he has led our district in developing a curriculum that emphasizes the basics - reading, writing, arithmetic - as well as going beyond to offer band, music, vocational courses, ESL, CAST, and radio, to name but a few.

Curriculum documents were implemented in the 1986-87 school year. These documents are to be continually evaluated and refined in order to meet the individual needs of the students. Teachers are asked to make changes through their use of the documents and in the summer these changes are implemented. With an on-going process of coordinating the curriculum from K to 12 as a major goal of the school system, it is the intent of the district that students be offered a well-rounded education by having a well-balanced curriculum. Students who graduate will have the ability to be successful at employment or furthering their education following high school.

Plains school district has a comprehensive computer lab on each campus and has joined MECCA through the Education Service Center. This program is a means whereby a school may purchase computer software and duplicate these for use in the classroom and computer lab. Programs for each of the three campuses were purchased with the intent of helping in the teaching of the basic skills as well as with the enrichment of the students of our district.

In elementary, we offer the basics as well as swimming, ESL, and music. A comprehensive swim program ensures that each student learns to swim and learns the rules of water safety. Plains Public Schools offers an ESL program to those students who qualify. A music teacher is provided for all elementary students.

The elementary computer lab has been upgraded with the addition of twelve Apple computers and software has been added in all areas of study and enrichment.

Pamphlets were distributed to parents during Open House describing each area of elementary curriculum and the goals for each grade level.

In addition to offering the basic courses, the students in junior high begin to explore a variety of electives. Students are able to choose from crafts, art, computer technology, typing, and band.

Students in grades five through eight are very competitive each year in U.I.L. literary events. Over 35 percent of the students participated in various events in the district U.I.L. meet.

The junior high curriculum is enhanced by an Apple computer lab, which is not only used for computer literacy, but for extension and enrichment of other courses offered in the curriculum. MECCA disks were purchased for use in all subjects.

High school offers all basic courses as well as Spanish I and II, Band, ESL, CAST, Radio, Vocational Agriculture, and Home Economics. Emphasis is placed on the TEAMS test and a workshop was held to help students to prepare for the test. All junior students who were scheduled to graduate passed the test. Honors courses as approved by T.E.A. are Government, Chemistry II, English IV, Economics, Trigonometry, Elementary Analysis, and Physics.

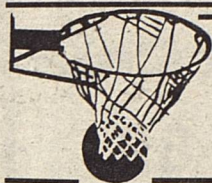
Special Education students were placed in the least restrictive environment possible and into regular classes whenever possible.

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### Cowgirls Whip New Home 60-38

The Cowgirls notched their first victory of the season Tuesday night, Dec. 22 when they defeated New Home. Holding an eleven point lead

at halftime, the Cowgirls maintained their lead for a 60 to 38 finish. Leading scorers were Lydia Jimenez, 20 points and Bertha Gonzales, 16.

The Cowgirls will host Eunice Tuesday, Jan. 5. The JV contest will begin at 5 p.m.

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