

WORKING ON A SOLID FOUNDATION! Lacy McAdams, Jason Lewis and Michael Salăs provide the effort to build a fine tuba section for the Plains Cowboy Band.


Yoakum County Commissioners Court met in special session Monday with all members present.

The court voted to decline the invitation of the Secretary of State to participate in the inspector program.

A number of securities pledged to Yoakum County were approved for release and extra hire and disbursements approved for payment. The budget was amended to transfer funds from the general fund and administrative/miscellaneous to the Criminal District Attorney for salaries and approved the hiring of Scarlett Weir as third deputy with a salary of $\$ 1,509.47$ per month effective Sept. 1.

Also approved was a line item transfer within the jury fund from District Court-Court Reporter salary to J.P. Court-Petit Jurors in the amount of $\$ 250$.
Employment of Naomi Goodman by the County Clerk was approved effective Sept. 1 a third deputy salary less $\$ 50$ per month to amount to $\$ 1,459.47$ per month.

At 4 p.m. Monday, the Court met in special session for a hearing on the proposed 1989 budget. Others attending were Hazel Lowrey, County Auditor, and assistant auditors Kay McClure and Debbie Smith. Bill Long, representative of ARCO; Don Savoie, representative of Shell Western E\&P, and Earl Moseley of The Denver City Press also attended.
Judge Dallas Brewer announced that the Court has proposed a 10.66 percent tax increase above properties on the 1987 tax roll.
Line item changes from the general fund to the county treasurer and other were approved.
The proposed budget was approved as changed.

A "Catch-Up"
on Cowgirl Volleyball will be printed
next week, regardless of space required

## Appreciation Dinner To Honor Senator John T. Montford

On Tuesday, Sept. 6, constituents in 12 West Texas counties will honor Senator John T. Montford at an Appreciation Dinner in the Civic Center at 402 N.W. 5th Street in Seminole. The event will get underway at 7 p.m.

Host tickets are available at $\$ 250$ per couple. Patron tickets are priced at $\$ 100$ per couple. "Friends" of the Senator may purchase tickets for $\$ 25$ per person.
John Montford was first elected to represent Senate District 28 in November of 1982. He is running for re-election this November. In 1989, the West Texas senator will chair a new committee - the State Affairs, Committee. In that position, he will be a significant voice on the issues of prison reform and on the possible overhaul of the criminal justice system in Texas. Voters in this area are also very concerned over possible changes in school finance laws which could take dollars away from the budgetbalanced districts in Plains and Denver City. Oilfield service companies are worried about proposed changes in workers' compensation laws.

You will have an opportunity to let the senator know your views on these and other important issues by
attending the Appreciation Dinner in Seminole. Tickets are available from John Madden (592-3113), Jim Millsap (592-2177), Lee Kidd (592-3042), Howard Pollard (592-2500), Ronald Simpson (592-2181), and Jack Fritts (592-2133) in Denver City, and from Melvin Lowrey in Plains (456-7404).

## Filmtime Program <br> To Begin Sept. 7

Filmtime programs will begin Sept. 7 at Plains Library. All preschool children are invited to participate.
Kathy Holster will be in charge of special programs for the children.

## Turkey Shoot <br> Set Sept. 10

Yoakum County Young Farmers will sponsor a Turkey Shoot Saturday, Sept. 10. The jackpot shoot will be held a half mile west of Plains on Highway 82.
An invitation is extended to everyone to participate.


YARD OF THE WEEK is posted at the Guetersloh home at 1001 - nd Street. Members of the family pictured here are Kevin, his daughters, Kristi and Keri and wife, Kay.


PARENTS ARE CHILDREN'S
MOST IMPORTANT TEACHERS
By Meredith Murphy TEA Staff

Research has proven that children's chances for success in school are much better when their parents get involved in their education

So important is parental involvement to education, that the State Board of Education made improved parental and community involvement a major goal of its Long-Range Plan for Texas Public School Education.

To what extent a parent chooses to get involved makes little dif ference to a child's school success as long as the parent shows an interest, according to Joe Lopez, program director at the Texas Education Agency.
"There is some evidence that shows that it doesn't matter what level of involvement a parent takes as long as he or she supports what the school is doing," Lopez says.

Much of the assistance parents can give their children at home is developmental, says Lopez, and includes such tasks as teaching a child to count by using pots and pans or helping a child learn to read by selecting books at the library and reading them aloud together.

Lopez says that even parents who may be undereducated themselves can still find many things they can do to help their $\therefore$ children

These parents make a difference when they encourage their -children to finish their homework, make sure they have a good -breakfast and that they get to school on time and attend regularly," - Lopez says.

In addition, the staff of the Texas Education Agency has prepared a list of some simple, everyday things parents can do to help their -children succeed in school. These include:

- *Speak to your child about the importance of a good education. Children should learn to respect school.
*Get to know your child's teacher and the school principal. It is Important to meet your child's teachers at the beginning of the -school year and let them know you care.
*Help your child's teacher by reinforcing the importance of following school rules to your child. Talk about discipline, especialIy self-discipline.
*See that homework is done every day. Check to see that homework is done correctly and provide a quiet place for your child - to stùdy. Be sure your child remembers to take homework to school each morning.
*Provide your child with breakfast each day and make sure your -obild is at school on time.
*Parents can also help their children become better readers.
Become an example for your child by reading newspapers, -magazines or books from time to time.
*Take your children to the library. Schedule trips regularly to get books for your child to read.
*Talk to your child often. Make your child a partner in all your :conversations and encourage and praise your child often.
*Ask teachers to help choose books that are on your child's reading level. Read to your child and encourage your child to read aloud.
*Encourage your child to write. Writing is important to reading. Have pens, pencils, crayons and paper available.

Play learning games with your child. Ask your child's teacher to recommend sight word cards, puzzles and other learning materials that make learning fun.
*If you feel your child has trouble learning at school, contact your "child's teacher and school officials.
Finally, parents should always remember that they are their children's most important and influential teachers.



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Wauson Infant Complimented

## With Lullaby Shower

Alisha Suzanne Wauson, infant daughter of Robert and Brenda Wauson, was honored Saturday morning with a lullaby shower in the Heritage Room of Yoakum County Library
Nellie Wauson, grandmother of the infant, was a special guest.

An ivy planter with baby accents adorned the party table featuring refreshments of sausage balls, doughnut holes, cupcakes, coffee and orange juice. Presiding were Donna Diamond and Lola Bryan. Hostesses presented the honoree with a high chair and crib linens.

## Sixty-Six Youngsters Complete Reading Program

Sixty-six youngsters completed the summer reading program and earned certificates for their efforts, state library personnel. Those receiving certificates include
Lisa Parrish, Gina Lewis, Robin Squyres, Rachel Taylor, Tony Lazos, Mary Morales, Laura Morales, Melissa Asebeda, Jolean Cabot, Steven Bunch, Bridget Bernal, Sarah Jimenez, Amy Wauson, Corey Wauson, Cody Wauson, Sylvia Carrillo, Laura Flores, Ralph Ramirez, Roy Ramirez, Fabian Bernal, Vicki Bayer, Brian Covarubias, Raymond Bernal, Arthur Hernandez, Joshua Protz, Sarah
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Tommie McNabb, Neomi Stewart, Jennifer Lollar, Jennifer Garcia, Rose Garcia, Linzie Rust, Cassie Dearing, Melissa Ann Longoria, Anne Charie Palmer, Abraham Garcia, Matt Morgan, Jeremy Dearing, Chad Clayton, Becky StRomain, Wilman StRomain, Miranda Box, Shawna Box, Michael Guerra, Lanelle Murph, Krista Villarreal, Kristen Robertson, Marie Gonzales, Yvonne Gonzales, LaCresha Johnson, Delilah Gonzales, Melissa Martinez, Toni Choate, Tracy Choate, Chris Gonzales, Krystle Blundell, Brooke Chandler, Alison Chandler, Candice Bowers and Amanda Reinert

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Specifications may be obtained from Precinct No. 3 Commissioner Jim Baron, Box 120, Plains, Texas 79355 telephone (806) 456-4371 and from Precinct No. 4 Commissioner Johnnie Fitzgerald, Route 1, Plains, Texas 79355 telephone (806) 456-6525.
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