

FILMTIME PICNIC 1991

## Filmtime Breaks For Summer

Filmtime youngsters wrapped up Mares, Blake Parrish, Rhonda, Sara another year Wednesday with a picnic and Corey Kelton, Sylvia Martinez, in the kindergarten playground area. Daniela and Gracie Lazos, LeeAnn and They will not meet again until Michael Crump and Shari and Adam September.

Attending were Alisha and Brenda Wauson, Melissa Pittman, Grady McNabb, Cynthia and Lisa Reimer, Marlie Diaz, Shari and Jordan Chambliss, Dana and Breck Hamm, Christian Morales, Todd Williams, Callie Howell, Darlene Wilson, Priscilla and Alma

## Denver City Man Sentenced For Aggravated Sexual Assault

Yoakum County Grand Jury Tuesday found James Harlow Gatewood guilty of aggravated sexual assault. He was sentenced to serve 99 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (Institutional Division).

The 54 -year-old Denver City man was also found guilty of indecency with a child and received a 10 year sentence and $\$ 10,000$ fine on that conviction.

Jurors deliberated, less than one hour at the guilt/innocence phase of the trial, stated Linda Shoemaker Lowrey, Criminal District Attorney. Gatewood elected to have the jury assess punishment. Jurors deliberated during that phase from 7:40 to 10:34 p.m.

Presiding judge was Andy Kupper of Levelland. The defendant was represented by Warren New.

Gatewood's case was investigated by the Denver City Police Department and Department of Human Services following allegations of sexual abuse by two children under the age of 10
years. A search warrant secured by Police Chief Joe Hester produced incriminating pictures of the defendant had taken of one of his victims.

CDA Lowrey expressed praise for law enforcement efforts of the Denver City Police Department and Dean Smith, investigator for the DA's office. Gatewood's attorney has announced his court-appointed client will appeal both convictions.

## Reading Program Underway Here

More than 250 children have registered for the summer reading program at Yoakum County Library. Theme is "Camp Wanna Read".

Helen Pope of Dairy Queen will award each child who reads 10 books or more with a coin that may be exchanged for an ice cream cone. Thanks to the Dairy Queen, the ice cream will make reading an even greater pleasure.

Readers must read in their own grade level to obtain a certificate.

## Girl Scouts Awards Ceremony Honors Troop 418 Scouts

Girl Scouts of Troop 418 held their Awards Ceremony Sunday, May 19. The troop has 13 members.

Each of the girls received a membership star. As she received her award, each also told one thing she did to earn the award and lighted a candle.

Girls earned patches in "I Love My Girl Scout Family" Service Patch, We're Growing, Say No To Drugs and Girl Scout Week. Try Its included Girl Scout Ways, Play, Music, Puppets, Dolls and Plays, Dancercize, It's a Small World, Careers, Math Fun, Art to Wear, Outdoor Ac'venture and Numbers and Shapes.
Kimbe Jones, who joined the troop in April, earned three Try Its. Rebecca Garcia, a member since January, earned 10 Try Its and two patches. Jessica Shorter, Amber Scitern and Tarren Hancock earned 9 Try Its and all patches. Donita Richardson, Krystle Blundell and Leticia Canon each received 8 Try Its and all patches. Briana Garza, Tanya Vasquez, Ashley Gonzales, Anne Palmer and Emily Blair
received all patches and 11 Try Its each.

Leaders of the troop Dean Richardson, Charlotte Palmer and Clara Garza were presented service and "I Love My Girl Scout Family" patches. Mrs. Richardson also received a We're Growing patch and green leaf for leadership development.

Refreshments of punch and cookies were served.

## Bible School

Set For June 10-12
"Jesus and You at Camp Can-Do" will be the theme of Vacation Bible School June 10-12 at Hillside Church of Christ, Copeland and 15th Streets. Classes will be from 9 to 11 a.m.

Children four years through sixth grade are invited. Pre-registration will be Saturday, June 8. Persons may call 456-2552 between $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. and noon.

A bus will be available for those needing a ride to VBS. Call 456-3800 or 456-2552 by Saturday, June 8.


Country Caravan, a 90 minute music program, will be presented Saturday evening in Stanford Park. The musical evening, sponsored by Plains Chamber of Commerce, is slated for $8: 30$ p.m. Food booths will open at 7 p.m. Admission is free.


# Plains Independent School District <br> 'Home of the Cowboys \& Cowgirls' 

# Little League Season Opens 

Little League season kicked off May 21 with the Astros defeating the Cubs in the opening game. Final score in the minor league game was 15-10.

Minor League games will be played Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. T-Ball League games are at 7 p.m. in Pony League Park west of the rodeo arena. Major League games get underway at $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Minor and Major Leagues play in Little League Park east of the school. The public is invited to attend the games.

In T-Ball action, the Blue Jays whipped the Tigers 29-25.

Major League action pitted the Rangers and Red Sox with the Rangers winning 14-4. Stephen Bitolas was winning pitcher, striking out 7 and walking just 2. Eddie Garcia sent a ball out in center field for the first home run of the season. Losing pitcher Allen Ward struck out 4 .

Minor League play May 23 found the Dodgers besting the Cubs 16-13.

## 4-H'ers To Attend Roundup June 4-5

Christi Bethany, Julie Hancock, Jo Lena Powell, Amy Jones, Blaine McWhirter and Brandon McGinty will attend the 1991 Texas 4-H Roundup June 4-5 on the Texas A\&M University campus.

Roundup, the biggest $4-\mathrm{H}$ event held each year, gives 4 -H'ers an opportunity to gain educational experiences that support $4-\mathrm{H}$ projects, demonstrate skills and practice leadership at the state level. Outstanding 4 H'ers compete in more than 40 contests in which they showcase their speaking abilities, decision-making skills and talents.

The Texas 4-H Food Show is also conducted during 4-H Roundup week. Senio members who have won county and district $4-\mathrm{H}$ shows qualify to prepare their favorite recipes in one of four categories - nutritious snacks and desserts, fruits and vegetables, breads and cereals and main dish. First place winner in each category receives a 750 scholarship from Morrison Milling Company.

Yoakum County ASCS at 1305 Brownfield Hwy, Plains, TX is taking bids for:

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We will accept bids from now until June 15, 1991.

Royals defeated the Blue Jays 25-16 in T-Ball action.

Wayne Willett was winning pitcher in the Major League's game that found the Cowboys whipping the Red Sox 6-2. He struck out 16 and walked 4. Jacob Lester, losing pitcher, also struck out 16 , walked 3 and hit one batter.

Emergency Care Attendant \&
Emergency Medical Technician
CLASSES TO BE HELD IN DENVER CITY THIS SUMMER

ANYONE INTERESTED
CALL PLAINS CITY HALL FOR FURTHER INFORMATION 456-2288

## PROPERTY TAX PROTEST AND APPEAL PROCEDURES

The law gives property owners the right to protest actions concerning their property tax appraisals. You may follow these procedures if you have a concern about: the value placed on your property; exemptions that may apply to you; cancellation of agricultural appraisal; whether your property is taxable; which local governments should be taxing your property; or, you think the appraisal district has done something else that adversely affected you.

INFORMAL REVIEW: Property owners may use the informal review process, if they have questions about, or disagreements with the value placed on their property. You should contact the appraisal district either by phone or in person. If you are not satisfied with the outcome of the review you may file a formal protest with the appraisal review board (ARB).

REVIEW BY THE APPRAISAL REVIEW BOARD: If you can't resolve your problem informally with the appraisal district staff, you may have your case heard by the appraisal review board.
The appraisal review board (ARB) is an independent board of citizens that reviews problems with appraisals and other concerns listed above. They have the power to order the appraisal district to make the necessary changes to solve problems. If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (called a notice of protest) before the deadline the ARB will set your case for a hearing. You'll receive written notification of the time, date, and place of the hearing. The hearing will be informal. You and the appraisal district representative will be asked to present evidence about your case. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented. You can get a copy of a protest form from the appraisal district office at 500-10th Street, Plains, Texas. Note: You shouldn't try to contact ARB members outside of the hearing. The law requires you to sign an affidavit saying that you haven't done so before the ARB hears your case.

REVIEW BY DISTRICT COURT: After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mail. If you're not satisfied with the decision you have the right to appeal to district court. If you choose to go to court, you must start the process by filing a petition within 45 days of the date you receive the ARB's order. If the appraisal district has appraised your property at $\$ 1,000,000$ or more, you must file a notice of appeal with the chief appraiser within $\mathbf{1 5}$ days of the date you received the ARB's order.

MORE INFORMATION: You can get more information by contacting the Yoakum County Appraisal District, 500-10th Street, Plains, Texas, Phone 456-7101. You can also get a pamphlet describing how to prepare a protest from the appraisal district or from the State Property Tax Board, 4301 Westbank Drive, Building B, Suite 100, Austin, Texas 78746.

DEADLINE FOR FILING PROTESTS WITH THE ARB: (the deadline is postponed to the next business day if it falls on a weekend or holiday)

USUAL DEADLINE: On or before May 31 (or 30 days after a notice of appraised value was mailed to you, whichever is later).

LATE PROTEST: Before the day the appraisal review board approves records for the year. Contact the appraisal district for more information. (If you miss the usual deadline for good cause. Good cause is some reason beyond your control, like a medical emergency. The ARB decides whether you have good cause.)

SPECIAL DEADLINES: Change of use: Before the 30th day after the notice of determination was mailed to you. (If the appraisal district has informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land)

ARB CHANGES: Before the 10th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you. (If the ARB has informed you of a change that increases your tax liability and the change didn't result from a protest you filed)
If you believe that appraisal district or ARB should have sent you a notice and did not, you may file a protest until the day before taxes become delinquent (usually February 1). The ARB decides whether it will hear your case based on evidence about whether a required notice was mailed to you.



When you run your heating system, the air in your home becomes dry and loses moisture when the air is too dry you feel uncomfortable dry you feel uncomfortable
and this can cause you to raise your thermostat.

Instead, humidify. for comfort. Humid air feels warmer than dry air at lower. temperatures. Consider purchasing a portable, room humidifier or talk to a heating and cooling contractor about adding a humidifier to your heating system.

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## NOTICE OF ELECTION

The Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) county committee election this year will be hald on June 28,1991 The ballut below must be filled out, detached and mailod and received or returnod in person to County Office Plains, TX not later than June 28, 1991 If you do not vote in person you mould mail your bellot inaide a blank onvelope marked ballot to enaure a secret bellot. This blant envelope should be placed inside the envelope you use to mail your balloL. Your name and address must be legible on the outer envelope. Failure to provide this information will render your ballot invalid. Only one ballot may be voted in person or by mail by any voter. Votes in envelopes containing more than one absentee ballot will not be counted. Ballots and envelopes may also be oblained from your local FmHA office.

The slate of nominees for
Yoakum County
are listed in the ballot below. The qualifications of persons voting are dercribed in the "Voter Cortification Statement." For further information regarding voting and voter oligibility, the County Office listed above. Fmbla elections are open to all eliziblo voters without regurd to race, color, relicion, national orisin, we. political efriliation, marital statwes, sex, and/or handicap.
> U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FARMERS HOME ADMINISTKATION BALLOT FOR COUNTY COMMITTEE MEMBER(S) BAYER LUMBER PLAINS, TEXAS (806) 456-4800

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DALLAS POWELL

## Dallas Powell

Speaks To Lions
Dallas Powell was guest speaker Friday for a luncheon meeting of Plains Lions Club. Theme of the personal improvement and motivation address was "Winners vs Losers".

Success and failure are in one's own mind, he stated. He encouraged his listeners to strive for a positive mental attitude, sound physical health, harmony in human relationships, freedom from fear, hope for achievement, capacity of faith, willingness to share one's blessings, labor or love, open mind on all subjects, self-discipline, capacity to understand people and financial security.
"Winners are specific and positive," he said. "Losers are general and negative. Winners keep track of results. Losers keep track of reasons and excuses.

Powell is the son of Wilma and the late Bill Powell. An insurance representative, he lives in Longmont, Co. Accompanying him was his wife, Brenda.

He concluded his program with a poem, "Who Thinks He Can".
 nounce the arrival of a son born at 9:18 p.m. May 19 in St. Mary of the Plains Hospital in Lubbock. The little fellow weighed 10 pounds one ounce and measured 21 and a half inches long. He has been named Wyatt Nathaniel. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. William J. Owen of Littleton, Co. and Velma Dearing of Tokio.
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Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Yoakum County will receive separate bids until 10:00 a.m. on Monday, June 3, 1991 for the sale of the following equipment: 1) One 1973 GMC $21 / 2$ ton 6 ya. dump truck; 2) One 1971 1965 GMC $21 / 2$ ton 6 yd dump truck. 4) 1965 GMC $21 / 2$ ton 6 yd. dump truck; 4) One 1966 Ford 2 ton 6 yd dump truck.
For more information on and inspection of the dump trucks, please contact Precinct 139 E Commissioner John Avara, 139 E. Broadway, Denver City, Texas (telephone: 806-592-3601).
Sealed bids should be marked "BID-(Item bid)" on the envelope and mailed or delivered to County Judge Dallas Brewer, P.O. Box 456, Plains, Texas 79355.
Commissioners Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids.
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