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# Federal Credit Union Slates Annual Meeting 

Yoakum County Federal Credit area merchants.

Union will hold its annual meeting at 7 p.m. Feb. 22 in the school cafeteria in Plains. Ham and drinks will be furnished. An invitation is extended to all to bring a covered dish and join in the event.

Door prizes will be provided by

Family members of current credit union members, including spouses, parents, children, grandparents and grandchildren, are eligible to join. Anyone living or working in Yoakum County can become a member with a $\$ 5$ share deposit.

## Low-Flow Showerheads To Be Distributed

The Sandy Land Underground able at the District's office in Plains, Water Conservation District in an ef- located at 1012 Avenue F. The only fort to encourage the conservation of water within the household has purchased a large quantity of low-flow showerheads to be distributed to any household within the Sandy Land Underground Water Conservation District free of charge.

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located at 1012 Avenue F. The only
requirement is that we require the requirement in of your old showerhead. Anyone having questions are welcomed to contact the office at (806) 456-2155.


BOOK ON DISPLAY - Mrs. Gene Bennett of Denver City holds a copy of her daughter's book written about her family's life here in Yoakum County.


SENIORS PREPARING FOR CONTEST - Rene McElroy, Stephanie Cole, Daphne Lowe, Michelle Garza, Garrick Engle and Colin Fitzgerald listened to Gary Walker explain problems with underground water supplies before commencing efforts in writing essays in hopes of being awarded a winning scholarship of $\$ 1,000$. Shown with them is Ms. Rogers.


PRESENTS SLIDE PROGRAM - Kerry Weinheimer presented a program on Soil and Water Conservation to members of the junior and senior classes recently. Class members then wrote essays in the 1992 Awards Program Essay Contest.

## Bennett Family History Book On Shelves In County Libraries

A granddaughter of L.P. and Ruth Bennett (1874-1956) of Denver City, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Bennett of Denver City, explores the lives of her great-grandparents, grandparents, parents and siblings. Becki Schwarz projects an affectionate, nostalgic view of her family in Texas history.

Included are the settler years, the quest for an education for the Bennett children, involving the early years of Abilene Christian University to the depression era, and the discovery of the wildcat oil well
which opened the great Wasson Pool.

Through interwoven childhood ranch memories, partial biographies, and insights from interviews, readers follow the historical account of this memorable family to the present era of quick depletion of the once so mighty oil fields.

The book has been placed on the shelves of both Denver City and Plains libraries. Copies are also available for purchase from Linda Powell of Renaissance Flowers and Gifts or one may contact Mrs. Bennett at 592-3110.

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## Graduating Seniors Honored With Lasagna Dinner Jan. 27

Members of the 1992 graduating ing her presentation, she said, "The class of Plains High School were other eleven never went to law guests of Tsa Mo Ga Study Club for a lasagna dinner Jan. 27. Hosted by the social committee, the event was held in the clubhouse.

Brandy Lester shared highlights of her attendance of the Hugh O'Brien Youth Conference last summer in Amarillo. Jo Lena Powell related her experiences as a representative of Lea County Electric Cooperative to Washington, D.C. Jimmy McGinty spoke of his participation in Texas Boy's State last summer.

Jerry Parrish, president of the school board, spoke to the group about commitments made by the board for the benefit of Plains students. He stated that Josten's Computer Labs had recently been installed in the school and two new activity buses had been purchased. He stressed safety factor as well as school and community pride that the buses represent.

Parrish also talked about the financial situations facing schools in Texas with emphasis on the local school, stating that the board, as members of the Robin Hood Forum, does not believe school finance is the major responsibility of tax payers.

He expressed thanks to the club and to the seniors for letters sent to the State Legislature on behalf of the tax issue during 1991 and asked that letters be again written if and when the need arises.

Brenda Canada concluded the program with an article, "Twelve to the Bar", concerning 12 distinguished attorneys who practiced law, served as Supreme Court Justices, Senators, Legislators, President of the United States, Governor and other prominent careers.

One of the 12 , she stated, was a law school drop-out and challenged the group to decide his identity. Conclud-


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Library in Plains.
(EDITOR'S NOTE: The preceding comments are direct quotes from statement expressed by club members.)

## Plains Library Announces Arrival Of New Books

Library patrons have access to a number of new books including a number on cassette tape.

Included are: "Complete Will Kit", write, rewrite or revise your will; "Tomorrow Will Be Better" by Zdena Kapral; "Texas Monthly Travel Guides"; "The World is my Home" by Michener; "Navajo Native Dyes" by Young; "Wake Up America" by Tony Campolo; "Six Hours One Friday" by Max Lucado; "Complete Guide to Recycling at Home" by Brandon; "Heartland of a Continent", America's Plains and Prairies, by Ron Fisher; "Warriors - Navajo Code Talkers" by

Kenji Kawano (code used by Americans in World War II); "Lieutenants". by Griffin; "Paradise" by McNaught and "No Greater Love" by Steele.

Books on cassette include: "Paradise"; Baxter Black cassettes; "Deceiver" Forsyter story; "Night Over Water", Follett story; "Me" by Katheryn Hepburn; "Sum of All Fears" Clancy story; "The Prince of Tides" and new videos of John Wayne movies, John Jakes series and others.

Our apologies for a typographical error recently noting the gift of Louis Lamour cassette by Faye McConnell.

## Chamber Discusses Banquet

Plains Chamber of Commerce met Tuesday morning in Johnnie's Restaurant.

The upcoming banquet was discussed.

Attending were one guest, Ty Earl

Powell, and Paul Cobb, Mary Jo St. Romain, Dolores Davis, David Brunson, Toni Jones, Wilma Powell, Gary Walker, Jim Warren, Billie Blundell, Carolyn Culwell, T.J. Miller and Linda Powell.



KAREN COBB \& SHANE McMINN

## Engagement Is Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cobb, of Plains, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Karen Janiece, to Robert Shane McMinn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry McMinn, also of Plains.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. H.N. Parks and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cobb, all of Plains. The prospective groom is the grandson of Mr. Robert Leatherwood of San Antonio, and Barbara Walker of Plains.

Miss Cobb is a 1988 graduate of Plains High School and a candidate for May graduation from Texas Tech University. She will receive a bachelor of science degree in Exercise Sports Science.

McMinn is also a 1988 graduate of Plains High School. He will graduate from Texas Tech University this spring with a bachelor of science degree in Electrical Engineering.

The double ring ceremony is scheduled for 2 p.m. Saturday, May 30 at the First Baptist Church in Plains. Friends and relatives are invited.


HOMECOMING ROYALTY HOPEFULS - Mario Medina, son of Gregario and Rosario Medina of Plains, was chosen by Luisita Sanchez, daughter of Joe Sanchez and Yolanda Sanchez of Anton, to be her escort in halftime ceremonies at the South Plains College Homecoming Basketball Game. Miss Sanchez has been nominated by Los Tejanos Club as homecoming queen candidate.


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

## New System Declared Unconstitutional

the texas supreme court today threw out the conTROVERSIAL NEW PUBLIC TAX SYSTEM. BUT THE DIVIDED COURT DEFERRED THE EFFECT OF THE RULING TO ALLOW COLLECTION OF PROPERTY TAXES BY THE 188 NEW COUNTY EDUCATION DISTRICTS FOR 1991 AND 1992. THE JUSTICES ARE GIVING TEXAS LAWMAKERS UNTL JUNE 1, 1993 TO WRITE A PLAN THAT CORRECTS THE PROBLEMS THEY FOUND.

JUSTICES SAY THE NEW SYSTEM IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL BECAUSE IT LEVIES A STATEWIDE PROPERTY TAX. THE COURT ALSO NOTES THE SO-CALLED "ROBIN HOOD" PLAN LEVIES A PROPERTY TAX WITHOUT PROVIDING VOTER APPROVAL.

JANUARY 31 WAS THE DEADLINE FOR PAYING THE 1991 TAXES WITHOUT PENALTY. THE COURT'S OPINION SAYS THAT TODAY'S RULING "IS NOT TO BE USED AS A DEFENSE TO THE PAYMENT OF ANY SUCH TAXES."

UNLESS THE GOVERNOR CALLS A SPECIAL SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE, TEXAS LAWMAKERS WILL NOT MEET FOR THEIR NEXT REGULAR SESSION UNTIL NEXT JANUARY.

According to Superintendent Pete Simmons:
"The above information was taken directly from the AP wire (at noon, January 30 ). It contains all the details we have at the moment. It is apparent that taxes must be paid for by tomorrow, January 31st to avoid penalty and interest. It also appears that the same system will be in place for next year. I will share more details as they are available."


## BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Toast, oatmeal, grape juice and milk.

TUESDAY - Toast, c. rolls, apple juice and milk.

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

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

FRIDAY - Toast, cereal, pineapple juice and milk.

LUNCH
MONDAY - Hot dogs w/chili, French fries w/catsup, combination salad, pineapple and cheese, and milk.

TUESDAY - Spaghetti w/meat sauce, blackeyed peas, cabbage slaw, peanut butter, honey, hot rolls and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Hamburgers, lettuce, pickles, onion rings, Chee-tos, fruit, pecan sandies and milk.

THURSDAY - Beef and vegetable stew, pinto beans, Kosher spears, onion rings, cornbread, plum cobbler and milk.

FRIDAY - Salisbury steak w/gravy, rice, green beans, hot rolls, peaches and milk.

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## Future Homemakers Hold Luncheon \& Program

Members of Plains High School's Future Homemakers met recently for a luncheon and program by Dean H. Smith, investigator with the Criminal District Attorney's office.

Mr. Smith spoke to the group about hypnosis and explained how it

## School Events

MONDAY - Basketball - Smyer Here - 7th/8th Girls \& 7th/8th Boys -5 p.m.

TUESDAY - Basketball - *Anton - There - JV/V Girls \& JV/V Boys - 5 p.m.

- Basketball - *Smy p.m.

SATURDAY - Math/Science Meet - South Plains College - Levelland
*Denotes district games

The Plains 4 -H'er was among more than 6,000 Texas youngsters exhibiting agricultural education projects in the show. Junior premiums totaled
had been used in criminal investigations but had now been banned by federal law. He also cited ways it has been used in relieving pain.

Mothers attending the pot luck luncheon were Lynne Winn, Debra Lowe and Kay McClure.

## Local Youngster

 Exhibits 1st PlaceAshlei Mason exhibited the first
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## 'Cancer Facts For Women' Given For Homemakers

A program on "Cancer Facts for items would be exhibited for a period Women" was presented to members of of one year and may be any kind of Turner Extension Homemakers Tues- antique or anything that was used in day afternoon in the clubroom.

Breast cancer, she explained, is the leading killer of women. One of every four women in the U.S. will have breast cancer and more than 44,000 women die each year of the dreaded disease.

She stated that women most susceptible to having breast cancer are those over 50 years of age, women who have had other family members with breast cancer, women who have never had children and those who were older than 30 years of age when their first child was born.

Colon and rectal cancer, she explained, is the second highest killer of women. Striking most often in women older than 50 , it attacks some 79,000 new cases per year.

Third leading killer of women is lung cancer, claiming some 50,000 victims each year. Women who smoke are more likely to have lung cancer, statistics show.

Plans were finalized for the stock show concession. Members signed a get well card for Velma Dearing who suffered a fall on ice.

Ila Trout gave an invitation to anyone wanting to loan anything to the Brownfield Museum, to be placed in the early settlement of the community.

Attending were Gloria Lane, Jerri Lollar, Gay Wilmeth, Edith Tuggle, Maurine Smith, Emily Bolling, Dorothy Jones, Cecilia Knight, Rita Mae Snodgrass and Pat Curtis.

Next meeting will be with Leecee Pippin for a program on literacy Feb. 25.


FILMTIME YOUNGSTERS CELEBRATE GRADY HERRERA'S 5th birthday during the Wednesday morning storytime, Feb. 5. Mrs. Herrera shared punch and cookies with the Tokio Community Booth. Loaned those attending.




Don and Suann Parrish announce the arrival of a son Jan. 30 in Methodist Hospital in Lubbock. Named Troy Don, the little fellow weighed seven pounds 12 ounces and measured 21 and a half inches long. He has one brother, Blake, four years old. Grandparents are Edward and Maxine Sumrall of Grady, NM and Harold and Wanda Parrish.

Kathy and Melvin Lamphier of Lawrence; KS announce the arrival of a son born Feb. 4. The little lad weighed eight pounds three ounces and measured 21 inches long. He has been named Michael Melvin. He has a brother, John David, six years old. Grandparents are David and Shirley Box of Austin, former residents of Plains; and Connie Lamphier of McAllen. Al and Frances Schmidt of Harlingen; and Marie Box are greatgrandparents.

Darrell and Patti Sherrin of Graham announce the arrival of a daughter born Jan. 8. Weighing six pounds nine ounces and measuring 19 and a half inches long, she has been named Kylie Danielle. She has two brothers, Steven, 13, and Jake, eight, and a sister, Keri, four. Grandparents are Mary Lou Sherrin of Plains and James Earl and Edith Sherrin of Breckenridge. Great-grandparents are Pearl Spears and Wayne Sherrin of Brownfield.

## Patrick Hamilton Sings For Arts Club

Patrict Hamilton was guest artist for the January meeting of Plains Fine Arts Club. Sharing how he became interested in music, Hamilton sang "Love Is", "Near the Cross", "I Will Be Here" and "Way Beyond the Blue".

Hostesses Dolores Davis and Judi Addison served Mexican Fiesta

## Party Honors <br> Neil Parks

Neil Parks was honored Saturday evening with a family dinner commemorating his eightieth birthday Jan. 31. The event was held in the home of Jim and Lela Warren.

Attending were his wife, Mary Lou Parks; his children and grandchildren, Kitty Armstrong, Melissa and Patricia Roderque, all of Bosier City, La.; Janelle and Jack Cobb; Dr, and Mrs. Weldon Parks, Carissa, Angie and Lisa Vaughn and Audrey, all of Lewisville; Steve and Carol Warren and Stephen of Rockwall; Russell Warren of Dallas; Douglas Warren of Littlefield; Kristi Cobb; and Matt Swinnea of Texas Tech University; Karen Cobb and Shane McMinn, also of Tech; and Kemi Cobb.

Other guests were his sister and brother-in-law, Rita and Willard Hendrix of Weatherford; Ita Young, James and Jerry Warren and Paul Cobb.

In 1955, Willie Mays hit 51 home runs for the New York Giants to lead the National League.

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