



ALL STATE VOLLEYBALL SELECTIONS made recently included the names of these young ladies. From left to right, is Jo Lena Powell and Rena McElroy.

## **Chamber Banquet On Tap** For Thursday, April 9

Seventh Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet will be held Thursday, April 9 in the Plains School cafeteria. Time is 7:30 p.m.

### **Talent Show Set** For April 25

Yoakum County Art Association will sponsor a Variety Show Saturday, April 25.

Persons interested in sharing their talents are encouraged to participate. Time on stage will be limited in order to shorten the program length.

Chairman is Inetta Teaff. Interested persons may register their talent by calling her at 456-4022. Additional information may be obtained by calling Linda Powell or Betty Estep.

There will be no admission but donations will be accepted.

Ham, bread and drinks will be provided. Each family is asked to bring a large casserole or salad.

Kenneth Wyatt, well known artist and former Methodist minister, will be guest speaker.

Deadline for nominations of Outstanding Citizen is Tuesday, March 31. Nominations may be left at Yoakum County Library in Plains or mailed to Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 364, Plains, Texas 79355.

### **Peanut Conference** Set For March 31

A multi-county Peanut Production Conference will be held at the Seminole Civic Center on Tuesday, March 31, 1992. The program targets peanut producers from Gaines, Yoakum and Terry Counties with activities beginning at 9 a.m. and concluding at approximately 2:30 p.m.

Dr. Chip Lee, Extension Plant-Pathologist from Stephenville and Dr. Ed Colburn, Extension Agronomist from College Station will conduct the program. They will address such topics as peanut varieties, irrigation and chemigation techniques, fertilizer needs, weed control, disease control, harvest tips and more.

Two CEU credits will be available for private applicators who attend, and a lunch will be sponsored by Western Peanut Growers Association.

If you have any questions call Terry Millican at the Yoakum County Extension Office at 456-2263.

### **Sacred Music Program Slated**

Plains Fine Arts Club will sponsor their Annual Sacred Music Festival Sunday, April 12 in First United Methodist Church. The program begins at 2:30 p.m.

All local church choirs are invited to participate along with individuals.

Additional information may be obtained by calling Carolyn Culwell at 456-2877 or 456-8714.

### **Post Theatre Schedule Told**

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Jane Prince Jones has announced the remaining schedule for Garza Theatre in Post. Additional information may be obtained by calling the box office anytime between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. The number to call is 806-495-4005.

May 7-10, 14-17: "Play It Again, Sam".

June 18-21, 25-28: "Bad Seed". July 16-19, 23-26: "A Harley Sadler Show" featuring "Too Poor to Paint, Too Proud to Whitewash".

Sept. 10-13, 17-20: "Rainmaker". Oct. 15-18, 22-25: "Ten Little Indians".

Dec. 3-6, 10-12: "Life and Adventures of Santa Claus".

### **Library Offers** Laminating Service

Yoakum County Library now has a small machine that can be used to laminate pictures and business, insurance and identification cards or other items that need to be preserved from wear and tear.

Interested persons may check with library personnel for information.

## **Rural Texas Communities Offered Health Care Program**

lenged by the need to fill vacancies in providers with state assistance. The all health care professions now have an opportunity to take advantage of a unique state supported program - the Texas Outstanding Rural Scholar Recognition Program. The program, administered by the Texas Center for Rural Health Initiatives, helps rural Texas communities ensure a welltrained and committed health care work force for the future and help students achieve the health care careers that might otherwise be out of their reach.

Under the program, an organization in a rural community acts as a Texas Center for Rural Health Initiasponsor for a student pursuing a health care education. The sponsor agrees to P.O. Drawer 1708, Austin, Texas contribute financial support for the 78767-1708. student's educational and living costs. In turn, the student pledges to return to the sponsoring community upon graduation to work as a health care provider.

Selected outstanding rural scholars become eligible to apply for student loans under the program. The student loans are a contribution of funds. The sponsoring rural community provides fifty percent of the loan, and the state provides the remaining fifty percent. This partnership enables the commu-

Rural Texas communities chal- nity "to grow its own" health care student repays the loan on a forgiveness basis. For each year the student works for the sponsor upon graduation, one year of principal and interest on the loan is forgiven.

> Many rural Texas communities are sponsoring students through the program in health education programs, such as medicine, nursing, physical and occupational therapy. Applications are now being accepted for the fall semester of 1992. For more information and applications, contact Bill Lydon, Program Administrator, at the tives at (512) 479-8891, or write to

### 'Spring Forward' **Time Is Nearing**

It's almost time to "Spring Forward" with the old time piece.

Sunday, April 5 at 2 a.m., the return of Daylight Saving Time enters on the scene once again.

The time will be observed until Oct. 25, the last Sunday in October.

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# **Plains Independent School District**

'Home of the Cowboys & Cowgirls'

## **City Of Plains To Provide Electrical Service To District**

regular session March 23 and adopted electrical service to the District. Apthe report of the textbook committee.

Trustees also voted to join with Yoakum County Soil and Water Conservation District and Yoakum County Commissioners Court in sponsoring Yoakum County's entry into a 16 County Resource Conservation and Development area. The District will pay a \$25-\$50 fee and will support L.J. Sanders as county representative to the area board.

School board members met in ment with City of Plains to provide proval for a request of waiver of two instructional days for the 1991-92 school year to allow for staff development.

> Superintendent Pete Simmons was granted authority to invest surplus funds with the best available investment opportunity.

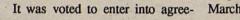
> Personnel recommendations and resignations were tabled until Monday, March 30.

### STATE EDUCATIONAL COMMISSIONER **CREATES MIDDLE SCHOOL DIVISION**

#### JIMMY CONNER JUNIOR HIGH PRINCIPAL

The organization plan for the Texas Education Agency includes a Division of Middle School Education within a newly-organized Office for Instruction. Commissioner of Education Lionel R. Meno stated that the reorganization plan will increase TEA's focus on high achievement for all students and strengthen ties between the agency, Regional Education Service Centers and schools. The commissioner's plan, approved by the State Board of Education at its October 1991 meeting, will take effect on January 1, 1992.

The Division of Middle School Education, one of the three grade-level units proposed in the plan, provides for a better match between agency operations and school district organization. The Senior Director of Middle School Education will coordinate staff and resources across the agency to implement the elements of effective middle grade education specified in the State Board of Education's Policy on Middle Grade Education and Middle Grade Schools. In addition to the varied expertise brought to this division through agency costaffing, Commissioner Meno has proposed that it be staffed with educators on loan from school districts to TEA.



### **Cowboys Win Cowboy Relays**

The Cowboy Relays had a very strong field with 16 teams in the boys' division. The home team was able to win its second meet in a row. The Cowboys had many heroes who came through when the competition was the Lira; 5th, 44.8, Jimmy Robertson. toughest:

Jason Smith broke the school record in the 400 meter dash with his 50.5 clocking. The 3200 Relay team of Lenny Morrow, David Corrales, Joe Valdez and Mike Sainz broke the meet and school record by eight seconds. David Corrales came from behind to victory over Freitze of Springlake-Earth in the 1600. The one-two finish by Michael Sainz and Lenny Morrow in the 800 run. The strong finish in the 300 hurdles by Junior Lira. The only scoring in the field events by a Cowboy was Jose Ramirez' first place in the pole vault.

A great effort was given by the 400 and 1600 relay teams: Dan Partin, Jason Smith, David Bitolas and Sterling Lovelace, Lenny Morrow, Jason Smith and Michael Sainz were sixtenths short of catching Sudan in the 1600 relay. It was a total team effort for the Team Championship.

Results were:

400 Relay, 2nd, 45.4, Dan Partin, Jason Smith, David Bitolas, Sterling Lovelace.

800 Relay, 3rd, 1:37.7, Dan Partin, Jimmy Robertson, David Bitolas, Sterling Lovelace.

800 Run, 1st, 2:02.4, Michael Sainz; 2nd, 2:10.7, Lenny Morrow.

400 Dash, 1st, 50.8, Jason Smith (School Record in prelims 50.5)

300 I. Hurdles, 2nd, 41.5, Junior

Plains totaled 148 points, back of Sudan with 121 points and O'Donnell, 77 points. Other schools were Kress, 59 points; Bovina, 56; Meadow, 49; Spr-Earth, 47; Levelland JV, 40; Tahoka, 32; Ropes, 24; Amherst, 14; Denver City JV, 8; Klondike, 2; Loop, 2; and Whitharral, 1.



#### BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Toast, oatmeal, grape juice and milk.

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

WEDNESDAY - Toast, sausage, orange juice and milk.

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

FRIDAY - Toast, cereal, pineapple juice and milk.

LUNCH

MONDAY - Fish w/tartar sauce,



1600 Relay, 2nd, 3:30.6, Sterling Lovelace, Lenny Morrow, Jason Smith and Michael Sainz.

3200 Relay, 1st, 8:47.8, new school record, Lenny Morrow, David Corrales, Joe Valdez and Michael Sainz.

Pole Vault, 1st, 11'6", Jose Ramirez.

3200 Run, 2nd, 10:34.6, David Corrales; 3rd, 11:03.8, Joe Valdez; 4th, 11:06.1, Ralph Coronel.

1600 Run, 1st, 4:51.4, David Corrales; 3rd, 5:08.3, Joe Valdez.

mashed potatoes, green peas, hot rolls, butter, spiced applesauce and milk. TUESDAY - Nachos w/meat sauce, corn, lettuce, tomatoes, crackers, raisin cream cake and milk. WEDNESDAY - Hamburgers, lettuce, pickles, onions, Chee-tos, fruit, coconut cookies and milk.

THURSDAY - Beef and veg. stew, pinto beans, Kosher spears, cornbread, apple cobbler and milk.

FRIDAY - Fried chicken w/gravy, green beans, macaroni and cheese, hot rolls, Jell-O and milk.

SALLY BURRUS & JOE DOHERTY

## **Engagement Is Announced**

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Burrus of Bronco and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Doherty of Roswell, NM announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Sally Burrus and Joe Doherty.

Wedding vows will be exchanged in a 4 p.m. ceremony June 20 in First United Methodist Church.

## Criminal District Attorney **Given Recognition Recently**

Yoakum County Criminal District have completed 80 or more hours of Attorney Linda Shoemaker Lowrey became one of scores of attorneys throughout Texas who were honored in standard requirement of 15 hours per year in continuing education.

The College of the State Bar of Texas recognized 3,164 lawyers who

### Shower To Fete Mrs. Sherry Powell

Mrs. Sherry Powell will be complimented with a layette courtesy Saturday, April 4 at 10 a.m. in the home of Jo Ann Barron, 202 First Street.

Friends and relatives are invited. Gift selections have been made at Jerri's Boutique.

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continuing legal education (CLE) in a three year period. Once inducted into the college, attorneys must complete Austin recently for far exceeding their 30 hours of CLE each year to maintain their membership in the prestigious group.

> "Excellence in the profession is a key focus for all attorneys in Texas," said Houston attorney Bob Dunn, president of the State Bar, "Those attorneys who earn membership in the State Bar College have attained one of the highest goals possible for maintaining excellence."

> The College was created in 1982 by the Supreme Court of Texas following a study on ways to recognize attorneys who have made exceptional efforts in maintaining their legal educations.

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## Tsa Mo Ga Study Club Meets For Protocol Program

directed a program on "Protocol Procedures and Reminders" Monday evening in the clubhouse.

"Protocol is important in any group function," they stated. "It promotes orderly procedure by following the rules of etiquette."

They reminded members of flag etiquette, stating that the flag, when displayed on a platform, should always be to the right of the presiding officer. If displayed on the floor, it is always displayed to the audience's left as they face the presiding officer.

They also shared information regarding proper order of rank of officers in various meeting and social situations.

Mary Jo St. Romain spoke on the history of Caprock District of Texas

Billie Blundell and Dianne Wilson Federation of Women's Club. Zarita Winn and Louise Fitzgerald gave reports of the Caprock District Convention held March 20-21 in Lubbock. Tsa Mo Ga was one of four hostess clubs.

> Mrs. Fitzgerald reported the club won 11 awards with individuals winning six. The club's awards included three firsts, two seconds and a Best-In-Show for arts and crafts.

> Ann McGinty gave the Ten Commandments for a Clubwoman.

> Members were urged to pay dues as soon as possible. The committee for ceiling repair reported that repairs are still being appraised.

> Hazel Lowrey and Helen Worsham served bacon sticks, fresh fruits and vegetables, coffee and tea to 18 members attending.

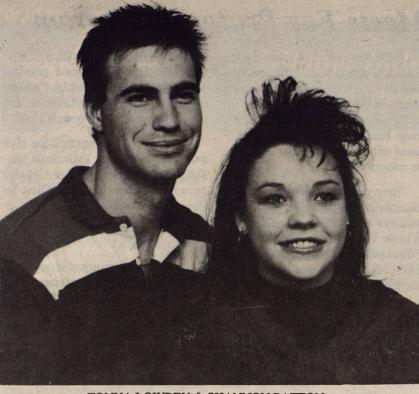
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**TONYA LOWREY & SHANNON PATTON** 

## Wedding Plans Revealed

Pat Lowrey of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Lowrey announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Tonya, to Shannon Patton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Patterson of Denver City and Douglas Patton.

The couple will recite wedding vows May 23 in First Baptist Church.

Miss Lowrey is a graduate of Plains High School and attends Texas Tech University.

The prospective bridegroom graduated from Plains High School and is presently attending Texas Tech University.

### **Filmtime**

Filmtime youngsters were entertained Wednesday with the flannel board story of "Carrie Kangaroo". Books of the day were "Little Kangaroo's Bad Day" and "The Kangaroos". Films were "Joey Runs Away" and "Out on a Limb".

The group sang "Spring Morning". B.J. Lester's birthday was celebrated with his mother providing lollipops.

Sally Burrus & Joe Doherty

Attending were Clayton and Katie Oswalt, Micah Clay, Daniel Parker, Evan Cain, Todd Williams, Kody Porterfield, Callie Howell, Jordan Chambliss, Nicholas and Alice Curtis, Casson Curtis, Abel Ramos, Zachary Ramos, Daniela Lazos, Nichole Culwell, Grady Herrera, Eric Pena, Amanda Allman, Breck Hamm, Blake Parrish, Landon and Caleb Powell and B.J. Lester.

### enaissance FLOWERS & GIFTS M-F 10 to 5:30 cards New Mother's Day Sympathy Thank you boxes note cards charms new sterling silver Easter eggs, bunnies story book dolls Shower Selections: Karen Cobb & Shane McMinn Tonya Lowrey & Shannon Patton

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### LITTLE DRIBBLERS JUNIOR LEAGUE DIVISION TEAMS



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C.B. STARS - Kari Guetersloh, Krystle Blundell, Briana Garza, Arasely Luna, Dawn Garland and Jessica Flores. Coach is Chris Blundell.



RED FLAMES - Wendy Hernandez, Tanya Vasquez, Angelica Hernandez, Shay Allsup, Kim Willis, Lesli Rowe and Ashlei Mason. Coach is Bill Rowe.



HOT SHOTS - Lensey Cullins, Laura Morales, Donita Richardson, Rebecca Garcia, Erica Dominguez and Candace Bowers. Coaches are Tim and Donna Bowers.



PISTONS - Keith Jackson, Matt Willis, Joshua Bell, Taylor Gray, Vincent Torrez and Skyler Johnson. Coach is Tim Willis.



FAREWELL PARTY HONORS JAN PENDERGRAFT - Library personnel and patrons hosted a farewell get-together, along with courthouse officials and employees in Mrs. Pendergraft's honor. The honoree was presented a monetary gift from well-wishers. From left to right, are Bill Overton, Mrs. Pendergraft and Pat McNabb.

## **Birthday Honorees Feted** With After-Supper Party

dish supper and evening of fellowship.

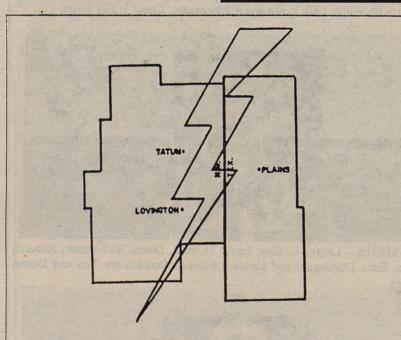
Wilma McDonnell were honored with and Ernest Carey and Burve and Bill a cake baked by Jo Harbour. Mrs. Mc-Donnell was unable to attend.

Also attending were Red Harbour, Marie and Carl Lowrey, Rhuey and Bob Edwards, William Worsham, Sudie and Joe Henry Thompson, Marsene and Claud Beattie, Marie and

Plains "42" Club met Saturday Carroll Paden, Mae and Jim Barnett, evening in the clubhouse for a covered Ita Young, Edna Chambliss, Ann Chadwick, Alma Lynn McGinty, Al-Birthdays of Helen Worsham and lene Carnohan, Sherm Tingle, Lottie Overton.

> **Plains Masonic Lodge** meets first Tuesday monthly at 8 p.m. All M.M. welcome. Alton McGinty, W.M. T.J. Miller, Sec.

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### Farm Aid - TDA Style

Saying you support family farming is a little like saying you support peace, prosperity, motherhood and apple pie. Some of the importance agricultural producers play in placing food on our tables and clothing on our backs is immeasurable.

But many Americans may not be aware of the actions taken every day to ensure that agriculture continues to remain a pillar of strength in our economy.

In Texas, farm aid is not just an occasional event. At the Texas Department of Agriculture, we are working every day to promote our state's commodities and to spread the word globally about the superior quality of the food and fiber grown in the Lone Star State.

We are doing this because the key to a thriving agricultural industry is not in one-time donations, but in helping create opportunities. Creating opportunities involves building demand for our farmers' and ranchers' products, and ensuring that more jeans, boots and other finished products are made in-state with our cotton, our cow hides and all the food and fiber we grow so abundantly.

Like our early American colonies, Texas is sending too much raw food and fiber - our wealth - out of state and enabling others to earn more by turning it into a consumer-ready product.

Nationwide, the average for instate processing is 20 percent. But here in Texas, we process just 8 percent of our own commodities. The rest - 92 percent of our Texas-grown food and fiber - leaves the state. And along with it goes more earnings for Texas producers and processors, more opportunities to revitalize our rural areas, and more jobs for rural and urban Texans alike.

Even with the numerous opportunities out there, making a living from the land has never been easy - as the weather has bluntly reminded us this season. But farm profits are up in Texas from an average per farm of \$2,706 in 1980 to an average of \$18,122 in 1990. Texas producers also appear to be decreasing their debt load: the average farm debt of \$75,000 in 1980 dropped to \$51,000 in 1990.

Overall, cash receipts to Texas farmers and ranchers have increased by almost \$3 billion since 1980 reaching \$11.9 billion in 1990. The majority of these earnings - \$7.7 billion - came from sales of livestock and relatedproducts with \$5.8 billion paid for cattle and calves.

Livestock is undeniably an important sector of Texas' economy. Texas has more cattle and calves and produces more wool and mohair than any state. Last year we broke a record by shipping 1.3 million head through TDA's six export facilities. In 1990, that figure was just over 600,000 head. The majority of these livestock went to Mexico, but many buyers worldwide

want Texas cattle, horses, sheep, goats and hogs. At TDA, we're matching these global customers up with Texas ranchers through our "Texas Livestock...Best in Any Language" program and increasing worldwide interest in our livestock.

Publicizing the difficulties of farmers and ranchers is important. But when the occasional party is over, we should realize that helping out the family farm will have more of an impact if we think about it every day, such as when we visit the grocery store and make a choice between Texas or New Zealand lamb.

After all, a vital agricultural industry cannot rely on handouts - it must and will come from expanding our markets nationally and worldwide and keeping more of our natural wealth in state.

But that is changing thanks to such new processing facilities as a cotton-insulation manufacturing plant in Post, a cotton-fiber sportswear factory in Graham and a lamb processing meat plant in Manor - all which have received financial assistance from TDA through the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority. Within the last year, 20 agribusinesses have received \$20 million in loan guaranties from TAFA, which is a TDA finance program. These loan guaranties give companies access to money whether its needed for an expansion or a new plant.

Encouraging more goods to be made in state is the focus of our "Make it TEXAS" marketing campaign. Along with seeking out financing for agribusiness, TDA specialists help guide a processing project from its initial idea to a full fledged operational plant.

Another market we're trying to open up is in Texas with our own residents through the "Totally Texas" program. Many Texans are not aware that practically everything they need for their daily sustenance is grown within our borders. Along with the traditional staples that Texas is known for, such as beef, our producers also raise many varieties of apples, herbs, fresh vegetables and fruits.

The state's public school system also offers opportunities for our farmers and ranchers. Through "Project TEACH", we are encouraging school food service managers to buy locally grown commodities whenever possible. Some schools' bid specifications actually discriminate against Texas products by asking for Washington apples or Florida oranges. We're urging school boards to eliminate these unfair

guidelines. In addition, Project TEACH aims to make elementary students ag literate by educating them about where their meals originate and about the immense variety of Texasgrown food. Youngsters also are given a grounding in the basics of good nutrition.

# **Kids Should Take Precautions** When Using Microwave Ovens

working parents and latch-key kids the microwave is a popular appliance for both parents and for their children, but one that should be handled with care, according to Joan Chandler, Yoakum County Extension Agent-HE.

Parents should know that severe burns and other accidents can and do occur from improper use of microwaves by children. According to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, over 1,000 children under age 15 suffered severe microwave-related burns in 1990.

Making after-school snacks is a favorite pastime for many school children. Also, during the summer, some children at home alone prepare their own food.

Special packaging for kids' favorite foods, like popcorn and pizza, can get too hot for kids to handle. Steam can burn the eyes, face and hands. The inside of some foods such as donuts and pastries can reach scalding temperatures.

Safety also becomes a factor if some foods are not cooked thoroughly. Foods should be cooked properly to prevent the risk of foodborne illness.

If parents allow their children to use the microwave, especially when alone, it is a good idea to hold a training session. Kids, as well as adults, need to follow these safety rules when using the microwave: 1) Do not allow children to use the microwave if they have to reach up to remove food from it. 2) Use only microwave-safe cookware. Other containers are not meant to withstand high temperatures and create a potential food safety problem. Parents can mark microwave-safe utensils and containers and store in a special place. 3) Never turn on an empty microwave oven, and learn to use oven controls correctly. Supervised practice sessions to learn how to use

In today's world of convenience - controls properly are very important.

Also, 4) Rotate food in the microwave and stir halfway through cooking if possible. This promotes even cooking throughout the food. Also, observe standing times. These are necessary to ensure thorough heat penetration. 5) Learn to read and follow label directions. A child who cannot do so may be better off not attempting the process. 6) Learn to use potholders safely to remove food from the microwave. 7) Learn to avoid contact with the steam that may escape from a covered dish or container. If plastic wrap is used, turn up one corner. Also, pull plastic wrap off so that the steam escapes away from face and hands; and 8) Guard against the danger

of biting into foods directly after removing from the microwave. Internal food temperatures can burn sensitive mouths. Allow the food to cool. It also may be a good idea to stir or break the food in two before eating.

Children can learn by doing and practicing. So, protect your child by allowing adequate training in using the microwave.

Several workshops will be held for fourth and fifth grade students and their parents in the near future. Some of the topics to be covered are nutritious snacks, quick meals, understanding food labels, eating out and preparing brown bag lunches. For more details, contact the Yoakum County Extension Office at 456-2263.

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Yoakum County will receive bids until 10:00 a.m. on Monday, April 13, 1992 for the sale of one (1) 1971 1/2 ton

Chevrolet pickup. For information on and inspection of the pickup, please contact Precinct #2 Commissioner Bob Thurston (telephone #806-592-3287).

Sealed bids should be marked "BID-PICKUP" on the envelope and be 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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## **April 4 - Great Texas Trash-Off**

On April 4, more than 20,000 Adopt-a-Highway volunteers will spend their Saturday picking up roadside litter during the seventh annual "Great Texas Trash-Off", the nation's largest cleanup effort, sponsored by the Texas Department of Transportation.

In Yoakum County, one group will join in the effort to help get the trash out of the wildflowers. Denver City Masonic Lodge #1278 will be participating in cleaning their section of highway. They are scheduled to begin at 9 a.m.

"When you drive around on the day of the Great Texas Trash-Off and see thousands of volunteers clean up after the litterers, you can't help but get behind the program. Texans have tremendous pride in their state and they want to keep it beautiful," said Darlene Way, Public Affairs Officer.

An estimated 1,188 gallons of trash will be picked up in Yoakum County. Coca-Cola, sponsor of the



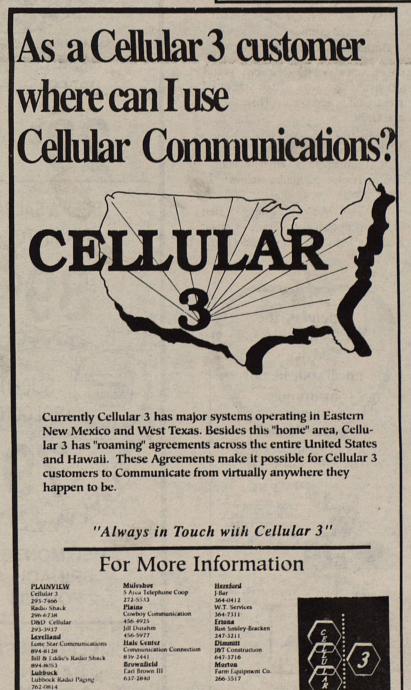
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Texas cleanup, will be providing the 33-gallon bags for all volunteers. Additionally, participants will receive special coupon-saving booklets to Texas' restaurants and entertainment spots.

The Great Texas Trash-Off is part of TxDot's agressive "Don't Mess

With Texas" program, which is credited with a 72% reduction in litter since 1985.

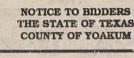
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Michael and Kristi Gass of Lubbock announce the arrival of their son, Nash. Born Friday, Feb. 28 in University Medical Center, the little one weighed four pounds, ten ounces. He has a sister, Amantha, four years old and a brother, Brian, two years old. Jess (Smoke) Gass of Plains and Nadine Smith of Houston are grandparents. Fred and Elida Gass of Lubbock are great-grandparents.

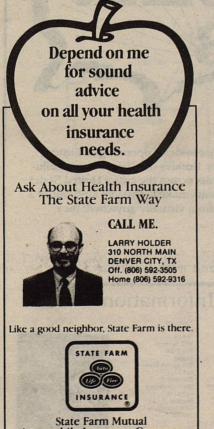
Dolores Rivera and Arthur Valverde announces the arrival of a daughter born March 12 in Yoakum County Hospital in Denver City. The little miss weighed six pounds seven ounces and measured 18 and threequarters inches long. She has been named Victoria Marie. She has a brother, Joe Anthony Rivera, three years old. Grandparents are Maria J. Rivera, Jose Luis Cruz and Ruben and Lupe Valverde. Great-grandparents are Mary Vega and Jose and Carmen Cruz. Benito Huizar is her great-great-grandfather.

School Events

TUESDAY - TASS Test - Continues Wednesday and Thursday; Tennis - Denver City - Here - High School - 3 p.m.; Golf - Sundown - There - Boys and Girls

FRIDAY - Academic UIL -Whiteface - High School; Tennis -Hart Tournament - High School -There; Track - Klondike Relays - Jr. High - There

SATURDAY - Tennis - Hart Tournament continues; Track - Cougar Relays - Klondike - Boys and Girls -There



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