## Art Association's 'Fling' declared smashing success

Yoakum County Art Association Hamilton, solnist; Ty Powell, minister; sponsored their third annual Spring Bruce Lester, bride and Jeff Redman, Fling, a variety show March 27 in the groom. Others were Tim Addison, high school auditorium. Following a Gary Six, Kent Welch as bridesmaids "Down in the Hills" theme, the back- and Tim Willis, Bud Forbus and Bruce ground included a tree, outhouse and laundry drying on a clothesline. Master of ceremonies was Rudy Calsoncin.

More than 300 attended. Donations totaled almost $\$ 500$.

A hit of the evening was the performance of the New Tex Cloggers, a dance group from Denver City, Snyder, Odessa, Hobbs and Lovington, NM.

A humorous skit by Art Club members portrayed coffee talk at the Dairy Queen, noting that Plains has two water towers, "One for hot and one for cold" and another member quipping, "We got two courthouses - for split decisions."

Lydia Gass sang selections from the sixties and seventies and instrumental numbers were performed by Sidney Pippin and his band, Buster Kennedy, Smokey Altman, James Altman and Bob Fillipp. Tessa St. Romain played "The Dance" and Lyndi Rowe sang a religious number.

Other selections included numbers by the Rocking Rubies, original essays read by Samantha Blake and cowboy songs and poems by John and Jackie Matus of Denver City.

Highlighting the evening was a hillbilly womanless wedding. Performers were Ray Bearden, pianist; Patrick


GRADUATES OF FAMILY COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP, a program spon sored jointly by Texas Extension Homemakers Association and Texas Agricultural Extension Service, were recognized at the District 2 TEHA Meeting last week in Plainview. Shown left to right, Joni Hancock, Extension Agent Joan Chandler, Bea Pippin and Pam Redman.

## Behind The Headlines

America must halt moral decline

Judging by the headlines, America seems to be in moral decline with violent crime, drugs and depravity running rampant. But where are the expressions of concern or calls for remedy by the nation's leaders?

## by Philip C. Clarke

William E. Simon, the former Treasury Secretary and respected spokesman of conservatism, is alarmed and angry. "Where," he asks, "is any debate, let alone recognition, that the bedrock, pro-faith and family values upon which America's future rests are under frightful assault, and that, day-by-day, this nation is distancing itself from its Ju-daeo-Christian roots?" Writing in the National Review, Simon says all the talk about the nation's economic problems will matter little "if the hull beneath continues to rot and the ship itself has lost its way.'
"To me," he adds, "this is the missing issue - it is the real issue; I would even say it is the pre-eminent issue of the Nineties....'

Such is the case, declares Simon -
"when crime among children has reached epidemic levels and living anywhere in America today is like living in Dodge City;
"when a person committing a serious offense can expect to spend, on average, only eight days in prison;
"when one in four black males is in jail, on probation, or free on bail, and two-thirds of black babies, and onequarter of white babies are born illegitimate;
"when fifty years ago the top problems cited in our public schools were talking out of turn, chewing gum, running in halls, cutting in line, dress code infraction and littering; today they are drug and alcohol abuse, pregnancy, suicide, rape and robbery;
"and when the New York City public-school system dried; albeit failed, to ram down the throats of first graders, the overtly homosexual, Children of the Rainbow Curriculum (Heather Has Two Mommies and Daddy's Roommate) along with materials to other students describing the joys of masturbation and other sexual explicit topics.'
"Just as rapidly and rabidly as we embrace sex in its lewdest forms," continues Simon, "we are turning away from the sanctity of life...Who would have foreseen American schools where the dispensing of condoms, where sexual deviation is embraced and God is expelled.

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"So, this is America, 1993," summarizes Simon. "How did we reach such a state - in this land, where for generations, mothers and fathers bravely risked their lives and came streaming to these shores to give their children the freedom to worship God without fear or favor? How can there be such cowardice and silence in the face of this outrageous trashing of America's most treasured traditions? Where are the voices of the Catholic Church, the Protestant mainline churches, and leaders of the Jewish community? Where are the leaders of the Republican and Democratic parties?
'It is one thing to promise to preserve and defend the Constitution," says Simon, "But who will preserve and defend the values which are the foundation of our greatness? If it is no longer politically correct to revere and defend our most basic rights, perhaps we might recall the words of an American giant whose quiet, lonely, heroic courage personified the true meaning of leadership. That great leader - Abraham Lincoln - in the depths of America's Civil War admonished the people against becoming 'too proud to pray...'"

Interestingly, Simon, whose mäny activities include serving as a Heritage

Foundation expert on economics and government spending and taxation, offered his essay initially to the New York Times, which turned it down. Apparently, it was considered too controversial for the Op-Ed pages of that prestigious liberal publication. William F. Buckley's National Review, to its credit, published the essay in full.

William Simon's' words are controversial and provocative. But they ring with timely urgency in a nation desperately in need of awakening. As Simon concludes, "Vital as they are, sound policies - less government, low tax rates and strong defenses - are not enough. America will never be healed
and never be truly strong, until we acknowledge, once again, the pre-eminent importance of our values, until we are willing to humble ourselves, and until we are not too proud to pray."

> NOTICE TO ALL CREDITORS, INCLUDING PERSONS WITH CLAIMS FOR SILICOSIS, AND OTHER PARTIES IN INTEREST

Sand Sales Company, Inc. ("the Debtor") of Odessa, Texas, is a debtor-in-possession under Chapter 11 of Title 11, United States Code in case no. 9370009, now pending before the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Westerm District of Texas, Midland/Odessa Division ("the Bankruptcy Court"). Pursuant to the Bankruptcy Court's Order Establishing Procedure for Notice to Future and Unknown Claimants; Order Combined with Notice of Commencement of Case under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, Meeting of Creditors, and Fixing of Dates; and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3003, all persons with claims against the Debtor, including, but not limited to, claims related to silicosis which may have resulted from the Debtor's sale or delivery of sand and sand products to its customers MUST FILE PROOFS OF CLAIM BY MAY 11, 1993, unless the Debtor's schedule of liabilities lists your claim in the correct amount and does not classify it as disputed, contingent, or unliquidated.

Creditors, including persons who may haveclaims for silicosis, whose claims are not scheduled or whose claims are listed as disputed, contingent, or unliquidated as to amount and who desire to participate in the case or share in any distribution from the estate, must file their proofs of claim with the office of the clerk of the United States Bankruptcy Court, P. O. Box 10708, Midland, Texas 79702, and serve a copy thereof upon the Debtor's counsel, Michael G. Kelly, McMahon, Tidwell, Hansen, Atkins \& Peacock, P.C., P. O. Box 1311, Odessa, Texas 79760-1311, no later than May 11, 1993.

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DATED: April 9, 1993 Respectfully submitted, SAND SALES COMPANY, INC. 5818 N. County Road West Odessa, Texas 79762

## NOTICIA <br> PARA TODOS ACREEDORES INCLUYENDO PERSONAS CON RECLAMOS DE SILICOSIS Y OTROS PARTIDOS INTERESADOS

La compañia Sand Sales Company, Inc. (el DEUDOR)deOdessa, Texas es undeudor-en posesion bajoel Capitulo 11 del Titulo 11, Codigo de losEstados Unidosen el caso \#93-70009 presentemente pendiente ante la Corte de Bancarrota del Distrito del Oeste de Texas, Division Midland/Odessa (Corte De Bancarrota). En conformidad con la Orden de la Corte de Bancarrota para Establecer el Procedimiento de noticia a Reclamantes Futuros y No Conocidos; Orden combinada para Notificacion De Principio del Caso Bajo Capitulo 11 del Codigo De Bancarrota, Reunion De Acreedores, y asi Mismo Para Fijar Fechas; Regla Federal de Procedimiento de Bancarrota 3003.

Toda persona con reclamo contra el Deudor, incluyendo, pero no limitado a reclamos relacionado a Silicosis, pero que sea el resultado de venta, o entrega de arena, o productos de arena por el deudor a sus clientes debe presentar pruebas de reclamo para el 11 de Mayo4993, solo que la lista de responsabilidad del Deudor incluya su reclamo con una cantidad correcta y que no la clasifique como disputada, contingente, 0 sin liquidar. Acreedores, incluyendo personas que tal ves tengan reclamos para silicosis cuales reclamos no estén en lista o aquellos de quien sus reclamos se encuentren en lista como disputados, contingentes, o sin liquidar, ya sea por la cantidad, y que deseen participar en el caso o compartir en cualquier distribuicion de bienes, deben archivar sus pruebas de reclamo en la Oficina del Funcionario de la Corte De Bancarrota de los Estados Unidos, P. O. Box 10708, Midland, Texas 79702, y entregar unacopiaal abogado del Deudor, Michael G. Kelly, McMahon, Tidwell, Hansen, Atkins \& Peacock, P. C., P. O. Box 1311, Odessa, Texas, 79760-1311, no mas tarde que Mayo 11, 1993.

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FECHA: April 9, 1993 Sometido Respetuosamente, SAND SALES COMPANY, INC. 5818 N. County Road West Odessa, Texas 79762


THEY VISITED PLAINS - In conjunction with a study of biographies, Mrs. Simmons' language arts class portrayed their choice of biographic character. Shown are Barbara Walters (Arasely Luna), Dolly Parton (Ragan McGinty), Elvis Presley (Jeffrey Lollar) and Florence Nightingale (Valerie Vasquez).

> AMERICAN DIABETIC ASSOCIATION Texas Affiliate 9430 Research Bldg. 2 Sulte 500 Austin, Tx. 78759
> NATIONAL KIDNEY ASSOCIATION OF WEST TEXAS 5211Brownfield Highway Box 4 Lubbock, TX 79407

INFORMATION NEEDED: Name of memorial recipient. Name and Address of family of the memorial recipient. Name and Address of persons sending the memorial.

## Plains Library lists new books

New books arrive regularly at Plains Library. For the interest of Plains readers, some of the newest are listed here:
"November of the Heart" by LaVyrle Spencer; "Where There's Smoke" by Sandra Brown; "The Bridges of Madison Country" by Robert Waller; "Power: How to Get It, How to Use It" by Michael Korda; "Insiders Guide to Credit Cards" by Louis R. Gorchoff; "Texas State Directory" by Julie Bingham; "The PDR Family Guide (Layman's Language) by David Sifton; "Raising Earthworms" by Earl B. Shields; "Automotive Air-conditioning" by William Crouse; "The Heiress Bride" by Catherine Coulter; "The Domino Conspiracy" by Joseph Haywood; "Bless the Child" by Cathy Spellman and the Robert Jordan series.

## FILMTIME

Pre-school youngsters enjoyed an Easter egg hunt in Stanford Park Wednesday as a part of the regular filmtime hour at Yoakum County Library. Thirty-nine youngsters participated.

Cookies and punch were provided by mothers.

Films were "Funny Little Bunnies" and "Egg-Ceptional".

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## NOTICE OF RIGHT TO NOMINATE BY PETITION

The Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) is accepting nominations for County Committee elections for Yoakum County. This notice is issued to inform eligible voters of the right to nominate candidates by petition. Copies of the petition and instructions on its completion can be obtained from your local FmHA office.

Persons nominated should have an interest in a farm as an owner, tenant, or sharecropper within the county or area in which activities of the county or area committee are carried out. They must be citizens of the United States or aliens lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence, and be well qualified for committee work. Spouses of those persons who meet the eligibility criteria are also eligible for nomination for election to the county committee. Nominations must be received in the Yoakum County office in Plains no later than May 28th. FmHA committee elections are open to all eligible voters without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, age, political affiliation, marital status, sex, and/or handicap.


HONORED RECENTLY - left to right, Jo Ann Barron, Wendy Barron, the mother-to-be; Lavelle Howell of Seagraves; and Marguerite Barron.

## Wendy Barron complimented with lullaby courtesy

Ms. Wendy Barron of Colleyville was complimented Saturday with a lullaby shower in the home of Frankie Walker.

Honored guests were the baby-tobe's grandmother, Jo Ann Barron, and grandmothers, Lavelle Howell of Seagraves and Marguerite Barron.

Appointed with silver, the party table was laid with a white lacetrimmed cloth and adorned with a cowboy bunny theme featuring a white ceramic rabbit with red felt hat. Dried flowers complemented the decor.

Fruits, mini muffins, sausage balls, crystal punch and coffee were served.

Hostesses presented the honoree with a corsage designed of baby socks and a stroller.

Assisting with hostess duties were Latrell McDonnell, Dolores Davis, Cindy Davis, Suann Parrish, Kathy Jones, Pat Curtis, Carolyn Culwell, Sheila Stephens, Sandy Craft, Jean Craft, Sidney Murphy, Phyllis Addison, Wadonna Davis, Jimmie Bayer, Kathy Bell, Connie McWhirter, Cynthia Blair and Peggy Welch.


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# Sex Education 'Hot Topic' 

by Monte Hasie<br>State Board of Education

There probably never was more x - aging health clinics to make condoms rated material available than at a recent meeting of the State Board of Education.

I mean, we really heard about sex. Okay? But please understand, I already knew some things. I certainly learned a lot more. If anyone would argue about whether this is a hot topic, I have several hundred letters as proof that it definitely is at the top of the list.

Following are some of the things I knew and others I learned:

1. Sex education is important.
2. The people of this state (at a ratio of about 500 to 1) do not believe they need the government in Austin to implement an agenda on this subject for them to follow.
3. Local control of sex education is overwhelmingly desired.
4. The opportunity for parental involvement is paramount.
5. Intentions of the Adolescent Pregnancy and Parenthood Advisor Council (APPAC) may have been good, but the loopholes are unacceptable and have been abused in some school districts.
6. Parents do not want their children "counseled" without their knowledge.
7. There is only ONE SURE WAY to prevent pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases.
8. Gov. Ann Richards appointed a Texas Statewide Health Coordinating Council which produced the Texas State Health Plan. This plan was approved by Gov. Richards in a letter dated Dec. 15, 1992 to Dr. A. Bryan Spires, chairman. An excerpt states, 'It (the plan) should assist in developing realistic solutions to the issues we face in planning for the health needs of our citizens.'
9. The governor's Texas State Health Plan said, "The Sex Information and Education Council of the United States (more commonly known as SEICUS) guidelines are appropriate for use within the public schools as they provide a model that respects the diversity of opinions within the community. However, it would be naive to rely on education as the sole strategy in the battle against teenage pregnancies and AIDS; other strategies must also be considered, e.g., the availability of condoms in schools and counseling services which discuss a complete range of options with teenage clients.'
(I never really thoughtof students as "clients" before)

An example of the extremist SEICUS guidelines would be to teach grades K through third an appropriate and comprehensive, scientifically valid human sexuality education in regards to: body parts and their functions, sexual intercourse, living together without marriage, gay and lesbian relationships, masturbation and abortion.
(If you think these are extreme, you should see their suggestions for the older kids.)

One of the Texas State Health Plan recommendations included: "...encour-
available for sexually active teenagers and to provide explicit advice on the options available, including abortion and adoption, for pregnant teenagers.'

How do you feel about that?
CONCLUSION: Teenage pregnancy is a problem and the schools are part of the solution. The general populace does not want a mandated curriculum from the state level. They want local control with an opportunity for input. The general populace does not approve of Gov. Richards' Texas State Health Plan.

## ATPE members say 'vote NO'

Convention delegates representing the Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE) voted overwhelmingly Saturday, March 27, to oppose the three proposed constitutional amendments on school finance that will go before the voters on May 1.
'This vote sends a clear message to our state leadership that we will not accepta band-aid solution," said Cathy Fletcher, ATPE state president. "It is time to restructure our tax system and develop a long-term solution.'

State District Judge ScottMcCown has promised to cut off state funds to school districts if the Legislature does not pass a constitutional school funding law by June 1. Fletcher said the association is prepared to answer critics who say that ATPE is in favor of closing schools. "ATPE is not voting to close our schools," said Fletcher. "This is a vote for the children of Texas -- a vote that has been neglected for too long."

ATPE convention delegates also passed a resolution dedicating a state income tax for public education with the understanding that property taxes and sales taxes must be reduced in a proportional amount so that a per-pupil expenditure of funds will be at least equal to the national average expenditure.

Several state leaders addressed the representative of the 58,000 -member group, including Rep. Libby Linebarger, chair of the House Public Education Committee, and Texas Commissioner of Education Lionel "Skip"' Meno.

Meno also was the recipient of the ATPE Texas Liberty Award. It is the association's highest honor and is presented annually to an individual who has played a significant role in public education.

The convention delegates elected state officers for 1993-94.

With a 1992-93 record membership of 58,200 members, ATPE is the largest nonunion educators' association in the United States. ATPE membership consists primarily of classroom teachers, but also includes administrators, paraprofessionals, retired educators, students and public members.

## NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION <br> (AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)

To the Registered Voters of Yoakum County, Texas: (Alos votantes registrados del Yoakum County, Texas:)
Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 1, 1993, for voting in a general election, to elect two (2) board of directors.
(Notifiquese, por las presente, que las cassillas electorales sitados abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 1 de mayo de 1993 para votar en la Eleccion para eligar dos miembres de el comision de directors.)
LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES (DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES) PLAINS: Precinct 303 \& 304 - Sandy Land UWCD office, 1012 Avenue $F$, Plains, TX. DENVER CITY: Precinct 105, 106, 202, 207, 308 \& 401 - Denver City Chamber of Commerce building, 104 W 3rd Street, Denver City, TX. Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at (La votacion en adelantado en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en) Sandy Land UWCD, 1012 Avenue F, Plains, Texas (location) (sitio) between the hours of $8: 00 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 12, 1993 (date) (entre las 8:00 a.m. de la manana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezand-- el 12, de abril de 1993) (fecha) and ending on April 27, 1993. (date) (y terminando el 27, de abril de 1993.) (fecha) Additional early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at (La votacion en adelantada en persona se llevard a cabo de lunes a viernes en) Denver City Chamber of Commerce office, 104 W 3rd Street, Denver City, TX (location) (sito) between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on April 12, 1993 (date) (entre las 9:00 a.m. de 1a manana y las 4:00 p.m. de la tarde empezando el 12, de abril de 1993) (fecha) and ending on April 27, 1993. (y terminando el 27, de abril de 1993.) (fecha)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan enviarse a:) Kathy Jones (Name of Early Voting Clerk) (Nombre del Secretario de la Votacion En Adelantada) P.O. Box 130 (Address) (Direccion) Plains, Texas 79355-0130 (CityO (Ciudad) (Zip Code) (Zona Postal)
Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el) April 23, 1993. (Date) 23, de abril de, 1993. (fecha)
Issued this 5 day of April, 1993. (Emitada este dia cinco de abril de, 1993.)
/s/ David Turnbough David Turnbough, President.

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Plains Independent School District Home of the Cowboys \& Cowgirls


QUALIFYING FOR REGIONAL CONTESTS - PHS students who qualified for advancement in UIL events are, left to right, standing, Emma Gonzales, first in keyboarding; Betsy Blair, second in poetry; Tracy Bearden, first in current events and member of the current event team which took the top win, with teammates Ken McAdams and Jay Rushing (at left, seated) and Jennifer Earnest, third, headline writing. Also seated, Lenny Morrow, third, math, science, calculator applications and number sense; and Brian Wilson, top chemistry scorer.

## Honor rolls announced for Plains High School

Honor rolls for Plains High School SENIOR - Betsy Blair, Lance for the fifth six weeks period are announced by Principal J.B. Wilson. A-HONOR ROLL
FRESHMAN - Valerie Blair, Jeremy Dearing and Heather McDonnell.

SOPHOMORE - Victor Bernal, Dani Clark, Lance Cole, Ken McAdams, Brad McMinn, Janie Ruiz and Ladd Winn.

JUNIOR - Tracy Bearden, Heather Bowlin, Rhonda Cowart, Tammy Lowrey, Lenny Morrow, Jay Rushing, Roseo Canales.

Gray, Jonathan Kimbrell and Keri Powell.

A-1B HONOR ROLL
FRESHMAN - Johnny Davis.
SOPHOMORE - Dusty Beckham, Joey Guerra, Stacey Jones, Veronica Mancha, Shannon Ward and Misty Willett.

JUNIOR - Shea Baucom, David Corrales, Jennifer Cowart, Jesus Gonzales and Brian Wilson.

SENIOR - Kara Holder, Brandy Lester, Junior Lira, Darce Pierce and Jason San Filippo.


Cowgirls take a second place

Plains High Cowgirls brought home second place in last week's track meet, scoring 60 points. Host team Klondike captured the championship victory.

Margie Gonzales, Rhonda Cowart, Shandy Willett and Amy Crutcher claimed second place in the 400 meter relay with a 56.08 finish.

The 1600 meter relay, composed of Crutcher, Willett, Ogla Ramirez and Cowart also finished second. Their time was 4:28.46.

Other results included:
400 meter dash - Cowart, 2nd, 65.31.

200 meter dash - Willett, 2nd, 29.90.

1600 meter run - Mary Ann Gonzales, 3rd, 7:15.53.

3200 meter run - Mary Ann Gonzales, 6th, no time available.

800 meter run - Ramirez, 5th, 2:44; Crutcher, 6th, 2:46.

## SCHOOL EVENTS

MONDAY - Pre-K and Kindergarten Registration

TUESDAY - Pre-K \& Kindergarten Registration

WEDNESDAY - High School Cheerleader and Student Council Officer Elections

THURSDAY - Track - District Jr. High - Plains - 4 p.m.

FRIDAY - Regional Academic Meet - SPC; Track - Regional Qualifier's Meet - Boys - SPC; Junior-Senior Banquet - Cafeteria - 8:00 p.m.

What's Cooking
At School


BREAKFAST
MONDAY - Toast, oatmeal, grape juice and milk.

TUESDAY - Toast, donuts, apple juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Toast, sausage, orange juice and milk.

THURSDAY - Pancakes, syrup, butter, fruit punch and milk.

FRIDAY - Toast, cereal, pineapple juice and milk.

## LUNCH

MONDAY - Burritos, potato rounds, combination salad, crackers, pears and milk.

TUESDAY - Taco salad, cheese, lettuce and tomatoes, pinto beans, cornbread, blackberry cobbler and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Hamburgers, lettuce, pickles, onions, potato chips, fruit, Harvest prune cake and milk.

THURSDAY - Pizza, corn, tossed salad, hot rolls, spiced applesauce and milk.

FRIDAY - Fried chicken w/gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, peaches and milk.

It is wise to keep in mind that no success or failure is necessarily final.

In every passionate pursuit, the pursuit counts more than the object pursued.
-Eric Hoffer


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## NOTICE OF SPECLAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION ESPECIAL)

To the registenad voters of the County of $\qquad$ YOAKLM , Texas:
(a las volantes registrados del Condado de $\qquad$ YOAKUM

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to $7: 00$ p.m., on $\qquad$ May
$19 \quad 93$ , for voting in a special election to $\qquad$ elect a United States Senator for the unexpired term
and for the purpose of adopting or rejecting the proposed Constitutional Amendments as $\qquad$ -. submitted by the 73rd Legislature, Regular session, of the State of Texas.

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County Clerk's Office, Courthouse in Plains and The Denver City Communty Building (location) (sitio)

If the county clerk is not the early voting clerk, the information in the block is required.


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## 'Robin Hood' <br> is not the answer says Sen. Leedom

Election Day, May 1, is one of the most critical for Texas in recent history. Not just because we will be selecting a person to represent us in the U.S. Senate, but because the results will likely affect our method of financing public schools well into the next century.

If you limit your investigation to "facts" put out by the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and various editorial boards in the state, you will be led to believe that while the "Robin Hood" plan, Proposition No. 1, is admittedly an "ugly baby," its adoption is the only way we can keep our schools open.

This rhetoric is nothing short of blackmail, and further demonstrates the paucity of imagination among the state's major leaders. Scott McCown, the District Judge in whose court the Edgewood case currently lies, had indicated that he favors cutting off state funds to school districts if the Legislature has not presented him with an acceptable plan by June 1. However, his orders are subject to stay and further review by the Texas Supreme Court.

I do not believe that the Supreme Court is in any mood to take over the responsibility of administering the school system. Further, I believe that the Supreme Court will in the final analysis look at the overall situation to see if the Legislature is acting in good faith to present a solution to this ongoing problem. The fact that we are having this constitutional referendum in May is strong evidence of the efforts being made to resolve this crisis.

First, assume that Robin Hood is voted down on May 1. While the constitution may presently command the Legislature to provide for an "efficient system of public free schools," what clearer indication would be needed for the courts to see that this solution is not the one preferred by the people to implement their organic and fundamental law?

Further, if the plan is voted down, it still leaves the Legislature 30 days to continue to demonstrate good-faith by crafting an alternate plan or passing a statutory solution which would not require the approval of a constitutional amendment. If you think 30 days is not a realistic time frame to pass an alternative, I would remind you that Robin Hood was introduced on January 19 and finally passed on February 16: a period of 29 days! The point is, that when so motivated, the Legislature can act expeditiously to achieve its desires.

Next, assume that Robin Hood does pass. What does this portend? The proponents of the plan are vague on its effect on individual school districts, claiming that it is only a framework whose specifics have not yet been nailed down. What we do know is that the proposal authorizes over $\$ 400$ million of local property tax collections to be, in effect, confiscated and sent anywhere in the state. Further, there is no guarantee that this $\$ 400$ million will be enough to satisfy the

Court that the system of education fi- lions which the state could not afford nance is finally equitable or efficient.

What this means is that voters could approve Robin Hood on May 1, and then still have the judge attempt to close the schools. Therefore I would submit to you that just as a "No" vote will not cause schools to close, a "Yes" vote does not ensure that they stay open.
**Higher taxes. County Education District taxes would increase from $\$ .82$ per $\$ 100$ to $\$ 1$. This is in addition to your local independent school district tax levy. In the near future, when local property taxes get much higher, the same people who brought you Robin Hood will offer to lower or replace them with a state income tax.
**Loss of local control. When school districts cease to be funded with local monies, they largely cede control over their programs to the funding source: the State.
**Continued lawsuits. As discussed above, Robin Hood does not assure equity, but does insure further litigation to determine equity.
**Continued mediocrity. True equity can be achieved in only two ways. Bringing the resources of the lowest-wealth districts up to the level of the highest would cost untold bil-
without a prohibitive tax hike. The more likely, affordable alternative would be to limit the availability of funds in the richest districts to the level of wealth of the poorest. This option
would have the effect of leveling down, reinforcing existing mediocrity in our schools.

Despite what Robin Hood proponents would have you believe, there continue to be better alternatives. For instance, I have introduced Senate Bill
No. 58, supplemented by a proposed constitutional amendment, Senate Joint Resolution No. 16. This plan would as-
sure every student adequate funds for a quality education without requiring recapture of local funds and the resulting loss of local control. There are other options which would lessen the authority of the courts to intervene and define "an efficient" system of public education.

I strongly believe that the people of this state should demand that they receive an affordable, workable plan and not this program of higher taxes, loss of local control and continuing litigation and mediocrity.

## LEGAL NOTICE

No. 1215
ESTATE OF TOM BOX, DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF YOAKUM COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF<br>THE ESTATE OF

TOM BOX, DECEASED
Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of Tom Box, Deceased, were granted to Tommy Guy Box on April 5, 1993, by the County Court of Yoakum County, Texas. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby requested to present same to Tommy Guy Box within the time prescribed by law.
The post office address for these purposes is:

Estate of Tommy Guy Box, Deceased
Gorsuch, Byrd \& Kelley
P.O. Box 509

Lubbock, Texas 79408
Attention: J.T. Kelley
Tommy Guy Box, Independent
Executor of the Estate of
Tom Box, Deceased

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ELECTION PRECINCT NO. 305:
Yoakum County Library
901 Ave. E
Plains, TX 79355

Yoakum County Library
205 West 4th St.
Denver City, TX 79323
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Plains, TX 79355
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122 W. 4th
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Courthouse
10th @ Ave. G
Plains, TX 79355
EARLY VOTING BRANCH OFFICE:

## DEAR EDITOR:

I would like to recognize an individual who participated in Operation Desert Storm for seven months. Tony Meil has recently completed his four year term in the Navy as a Sea Bee. We appreciate and Thank You, Tony, for a job well done in representing Plains in Desert Storm.

Plains Resident
Nickie Clare
Editor's Note: Meil is a graduate of Plains High School and is employed with University Medical Center in Lubbock. He is the son of Richard and Joan Meil, former residents of Plains, now residing in Brownfield. Persons having any information concerning men and women in the service, (where


Michelle and Lynn McElroy of Lubbock wish to announce the arrival of their daughter, Meagan Michelle McElroy, born at 9:12 a.m. Feb. 24 in Methodist Hospital in Lubbock. The little miss weighed seven pounds three ounces and measured 20 inches long. Grandparents are Kaye and Marvin White of Lubbock and Adell and Maxie McElroy. Great-grandparents are Blanche and Marvin White of Lampasas, Gussie Mae McElroy of Wolfforth and Ben and Vena Jackson of Bakersfield, Calif. Nettie Jackson of Mc Camey is her great-grandmother.

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