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PLAINS, YOAKUM COUNTY, TEXAS

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## Plains ISD calls special election

The trustees of Plains ISD have called a special election for July 31, 1993. The election was authorized by the recent passage of SB7, the school finance bill.

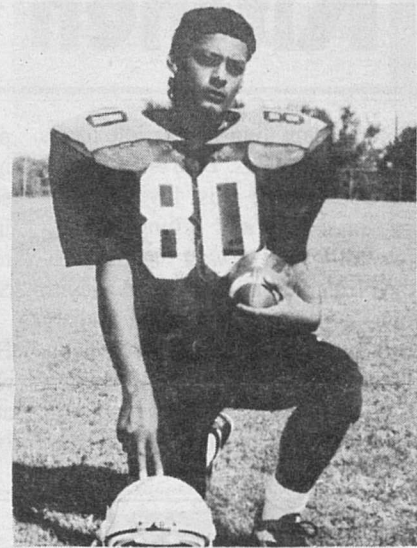
SB7 requires all "wealthy" districts in the state to reduce their property wealth to \$280,000 per weighted pupil. This could be done by consolidation, de-annexing part of the district, educating students in other districts, consolidating tax bases (CED), or sending money to the state to educate other children elsewhere.

The Plains board has determined that due to the instability of SB7 and the likelihood that it will be declared unconstitutional, the least damaging option open to our school would be to simply send money to the state. All other options would either give up our property which we would possibly not get back or cause us to have legal responsibilities outside our district by choosing other students to educate. SB7 requires the approval of the voters of the district to enact this option.

A town hall meeting is scheduled for Tuesday night, July 20, 1993 at

7:30 p.m. in the school auditorium. Trustees will explain the options open to our district and will answer questions or concerns about the election.

According to Superintendent Pete Simmons, "This could be one of the most important decisions that the voters of Plains ISD will ever be asked to make. It is vitally important that voters be informed to the options in this complex issue. I hope all interested voters and patrons of the school will be present on the 20th to join in the discussion."



EDDIE GARCIA JR.

## School funding dilemma not solved

On May 31, Gov. Richards signed into law Senate Bill 7, which requires Texas' 109 wealthiest school districts to choose one of five methods to reduce their taxable property wealth to \$280,000 per pupil and share the excess with low-wealth districts.

On June 1, State District Judge Scott McCown accepted the new law as constitutional and gave any opponents of SB 7 until July 15 to file challenges; lawyers for poor school districts have indicated that they will contest the law.

In discussing Texas' ongoing school funding dilemma, the cover article of the May/June issue of ATPE News (the official publication of the Association of Texas Professional Educators) asks the question, "Why are we playing games with our students?"

SB 7, the latest attempt to solve the state's 25-year-old public school finance crises, "is not a long-term solution," says ATPE State President Beth Graham in the cover article, which also emphasizes that SB 7 perpetrates the state's antiquated property tax system, potentially levels down at

least 109 school districts, and places the entire funding equalization problem on the backs of those same 109 districts and not on the state.

At the annual ATPE state convention in March, the association's House of Delegates voted to support a dedicated income tax that would allow Texas to spend at least the national av-

erage per student and provide for a reduction in local property taxes and the sales tax.

ATPE News is published five times a year by ATPE. Subscriptions are \$10 per year and are available by writing to the Editor, ATPE News, 505 E. Huntland Drive, Suite 250, Austin, TX 78752-3792.

## Yoakum County Art Association slates annual show Aug. 6-7

Yoakum County Art Association will sponsor their annual Art Show Friday and Saturday, Aug. 6-7 in the Art Association Building in Plains.

Entry date is Tuesday, Aug. 3 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Categories include originals, classwork and copies, novice, graphics and crafts. A division for students is also planned. Divisions are landscapes, still life, portraits, wildlife and miniatures.

The show will be open to the pub-

lic Friday from 2 to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. with the building closed from 12 to 1 p.m. for lunch.

Artists interested in participating should contact Inetta Teaff, 456-4022; Betty Estep, 456-4424; Eileen Fillipp, 456-6313; Louise Goehry, 456-8558; or Willie Mae Engle, 456-2660.

Contributions of \$1 are being accepted for drawings for two paintings to be given away at 5 p.m. Saturday.

## Services conducted for Eddie Garcia Jr.

Rosary was recited at 7 p.m. July 3 in Sacred Heart Catholic Church for Eddie Garcia Jr., 14. Mass was celebrated Monday afternoon, July 5, with the Rev. Jerome S. Calcagno, CM officiating.

Burial was in Plains Cemetery under direction of Ratliff Funeral Home of Denver City.

The youth, suffering from injuries received in an early morning accident, died Friday, July 2 in Yoakum County Hospital in Denver City.

Born Dec. 29, 1978 in Seminole, Garcia was a student at Plains Junior High School and participated in football.

Survivors include his parents, Rosie Gallardo of Plains and Eddie Garcia Sr. of Arizona; three brothers, Julio Martinez and Jason and Jesus Garcia, all of Plains; a sister, Rosanne Torres of Plains; his grandparents, Armandina Garcia of Lubbock, Isaac Martinez of Brownfield, Delia Martinez of Uvalde and Teresa and Toby Gallardo of Garden City, Ks.

Pallbearers were Chris Moreno, Michael Martinez, Jason Wilson, Greg Salas, Todd Thompson and Gabriel Esquivel.





MARGUERITE ADAMS

# Kitchen Korner

Retirement didn't bring idle hands for Marguerite (Mrs. Bill) Adams. The gifted needlework artist loves making quilts for gifting and selling. She recently completed a wall hanging featuring Noah and his ark, complete with animals and rainbow, for the nursery of First Baptist Church in Denver City.

A longtime resident of Yoakum County, Marguerite is married to Bill Adams, retired educator. He served as

principal and superintendent for a number of years in New Mexico schools and ended his teaching career in Bloomfield. He does substitute teaching in Plains, Denver City and Seagraves.

Bill was football coach at Plains High School when he and Marguerite were married in 1947. She was operating a beauty shop. They are parents of two sons.

Their son, David, died in 1983 while living in Indonesia. His daughter, Maysi Li, lives in Greer, S.C. Their second son, Rod, lives in Albuquerque, N.M. with his wife, Hildegard.

Marguerite has also enjoyed working with Indian jewelry, selling items while they lived in New Mexico. She likes to keep busy and enjoys traveling. She and a sister-in-law made a trip to Russia in April.

- TAMALE PIE**  
 1 1/2 c corn meal  
 1 1/2 t salt  
 4 1/2 c boiling water  
 2 T butter  
 1 c grated cheddar cheese  
 1 lb. ground beef  
 2 T oil  
 3/4 c chopped onion  
 1 clove garlic, minced  
 1 1/2 thinly sliced celery  
 1 lg can tomatoes  
 2 c drained whole kernel corn  
 1 T salt  
 1 T chili powder  
 1 t Worcestershire sauce  
 1/2 c corn meal  
 small can pitted ripe olives

Slowly stir the corn meal into the boiling water, add salt. Cover, cook over very low heat about 30 minutes. Remove from heat. Stir in butter and 3/4 of the grated cheese. Meanwhile, cook beef in oil until color disappears. Stir in the next eight ingredients. Slowly stir in the 1/2 c corn meal. Cover. Cook slowly for 10 minutes. Add olives. Line bottom of three quart casserole (oiled) with 3/4 c of the corn meal mixture. Pour in the meat filling. Top with remaining corn meal. Sprinkle with cheese. Bake for 1 hour at 350 degrees.

**CHICKEN DEVONE**

Boil four boned and skinned chicken breasts. Add salt to taste, bay leaf, and 1/4 t poultry seasoning to water. When chicken is done, remove from broth.

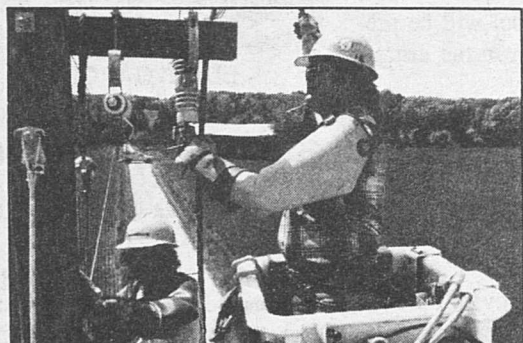
In the broth, cook Broccoli fresh or frozen. Remove from broth and drain. In casserole, place the broccoli then layer the chicken breast.

Cover with sauce: 1 can cream of chicken soup, 1/2 c mayonnaise, 1 T lemon juice, 1/2 t curry powder (more if desired). Sprinkle with grated sharp cheddar cheese. Bake at 325 degrees until bubbly. "Real good with wild and brown rice."

**CHRISTMAS COOKIES**

- 1 c butter or oleo  
 1 1/2 c sugar  
 3 c flour  
 1/2 t nutmeg  
 1/2 t cinnamon  
 1 t soda  
 2 T hot water  
 2 POUNDS pecans (do not skimp on the pecans!)  
 3/4 lbs candied pineapple  
 3/4 lbs candied red & green cherries  
 3 eggs

Cream butter and sugar, add eggs. Add soda to water to dissolve. Then add spices to flour. Mix well. Chop fruit and nuts. Toss in flour mixture to coat fruit well. Then add to egg mixture. Mix altogether real well. Dough will be stiff. Drop onto greased cookie sheet and bake at 275 degrees for about 25 minutes. Cookies will be very lightly browned and soft to touch. Do not overbake. "Stores nicely and can be mixed up and kept in the fridge a week before baking."



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### Mae Harrod rites held in Lovington

Services were held June 29 in Smith-Rogers Funeral Chapel in Lovington for Mae E. Harrod, 79. Officiating was the Rev. Royce Denton, pastor of Jackson Avenue Baptist Church in Lovington, and Homer Kyle, state chaplain for Good Sams.

Burial was in Lovington Cemetery under direction of Smith-Rogers Funeral Home with graveside ritual by the Order of the Eastern Star.

Mrs. Harrod died June 27 in Nor-Lea General Hospital in Lovington.

She was born Oct. 10, 1913 in Monroe County, Ark. She married Guy Harrod Sept. 24, 1937 in Forrest City, Ark. She had lived in Lovington since 1969. She was a member of Plains Chapter of Order of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include her husband; and two sisters, Dorothy Oxner of Clarendon, Ark. and Laura Jean McKay of Little Rock, Ark.

### LEGAL NOTICE

The Plains Independent School District Board of Trustees hereby gives notice of a special election to be held on July 31, 1993, for the purpose of complying with SB 7 to reduce the wealth of the school district. Absentee voting by personal appearance will begin on July 12, 1993, and continue through July 27, 1993, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on each day which is not a Friday, Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday. Absentee voting in person will be conducted at Plains ISD Administration Office, 1000 10th Street, Plains, Texas. Application for absentee ballots by mail should be mailed to Wadonna Davis, Plains ISD, P.O. Box 479, Plains, Texas, 79355. The polling places for all precincts will be the lobby of the Plains School Auditorium from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on the day of the election.

### Andrea Moorman to be honored

Miss Andrea Moorman, bride-elect of Joel Wilson, will be complimented with a bridal courtesy Sunday, July 25 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in the home of Lela Warren, 906 First Street.

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## Elementary principal resigns during Tuesday's board meeting

In an emergency called meeting Tuesday evening, school trustees set July 31 for a special election to decrease the district's wealth to comply with SB7. A town hall meeting concerning the special election was set for 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 20 in the school auditorium.

Early voting in the upcoming election will be held in the business office from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. July 12-27.

Eric Banfield was appointed board member for the district for South Plains Workers' Compensation Program in the event Plains ISD decides to participate.

Resignations of Brenda Smith as elementary principal and Brenda Canada as curriculum director were accepted. Mrs. Canada was employed as a teacher. Stanley Ashburn resigned as Teen Court representative and was replaced by Rickey Bearden.

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Plains Independent School District (Distrito Escolar De  
Plains)

Date (Fecha): July 31, 1993

#### OFFICIAL BALLOT (BOLETA OFICIAL)

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Place an "X" in the square beside the statement indicating the way you wish to vote.  
(Magque con una "X" el cuadro a la izquierda de la frase que indica la manera en que usted quiere votar.)

FOR (A FAVOR DE)

AGAINST (EN CONTRA DE)

Authorizing the board of trustees of Plains School District to purchase attendance credits from the state with local tax revenues.

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## IMPORTANT

### TOWN HALL MEETING

Tuesday, July 20, 1993

7:30 P.M.

School Auditorium

### DISCUSSION ON SCHOOL FINANCE WITH EMPHASIS ON JULY 31ST SPECIAL ELECTION

The Legislature has mandated that our district reduce its property wealth by two-thirds. We have five options to do this:

1. Consolidation with enough poor districts (permanent).
2. Detach property to be annexed by enough poor districts (permanent).
3. Buy attendance credits from the state.
4. Educate enough specific students in poor districts.
5. Tax Base Consolidation (CED concept).

The issue is not whether we want to do one of the above. WE MUST DO ONE OF THE ABOVE. Our board has determined that the best option for the future of our district is NO. 3, BUY ATTENDANCE CREDITS FROM THE STATE. We must have approval of voters of the district to enact this option.

We ask your support in this election. If you have questions or concern, please attend the Town Hall Meeting on July 20th.