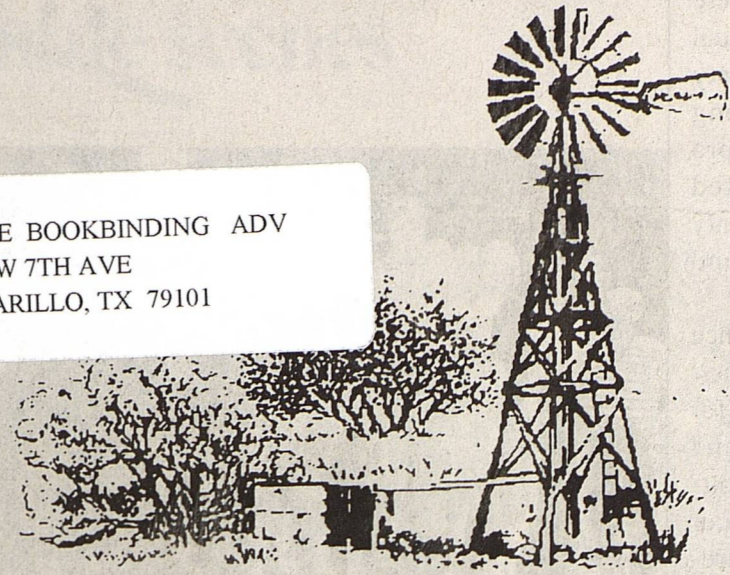


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Despite pessimism expressed prior to the events, the 53rd annual Plains Rodeo and Old Settlers Reunion proved a resounding success - although ominous showers just prior to the Saturday rodeo performance brought some anxious moments. The Saturday parade had more participants, including Cowboy band members and many of the PISD coaching staff.

Three nights of rodeo produced by TNT probably set no attendance records, but will no doubt bring the event back next year. The three day celebration takes place with the participation of the Plains Rodeo Association, a joint operation of the Plains Lions Club, Plains Chamber of Commerce, and the Yoakum County Roping Club.

The Rodeo Association receives tremendous financial assistance for the event from their sponsorship of the Rodeo Queen contest. The candidates representing the three entities of the Rodeo Association spend weeks and months prior to the event selling tickets, each



Rodeo Royalty - Lauren Davis, second from left, representing the Roping Club, was crowned by Skye Sellers, 2005 Queen. On left, Jennifer Eccles, Chamber candidate, with Callie Howell on right, representing Plains Lions. The three girls sold over 8,000 tickets!

representing a vote for their efforts. The hard working girls receive a small portion of their sales after the final rodeo performance.

The Plains Chamber is the guiding hand of the annual Old Settlers Reunion and Barbecue held in Stanfold Park. This year The meal was catered by Johnnie's Barbecue in Midland, and volunteers sliced brisket, ham and sausage. 4-H members helped with tea and ice. Dairy Queen again furnished cups for the cobblers brought by local volunteers. Ticket sales to the 'feed' help fund the three day event. The Plains Lions Club operates the rodeo arena snack bar, and their nightly sale of food and drinks by Lions members provide additional funds for the annual event.

Generous donations from both individuals and businesses play an important role in the community program, which continues to serve as a heritage event for the county and town. We thank each and every one playing a role in the success story.

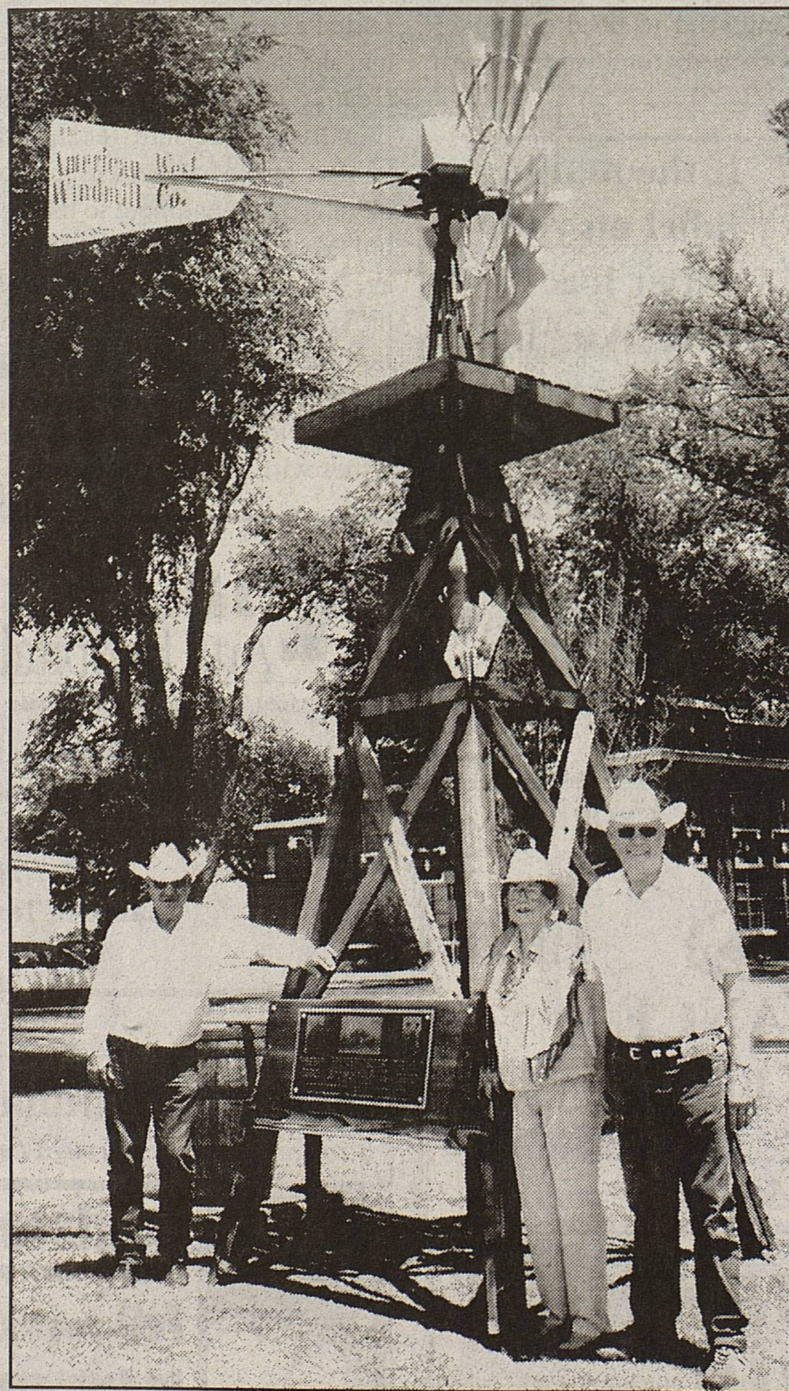
Powell family windmill dedicated during Old Settlers Reunion

Just prior to Saturday's Rodeo and Reunion parade, a formal dedication of the commemorative windmill recently installed in 'Courthouse Square' was made by local members of the Powell family. Dallas Powell delivered a brief commemorative address to several dozen spectators. He was accompanied by his mother Wilma and brother Ty Earl. Dallas is a current resident of Longmont, Colorado.

W. J. Luna, credited with being the founder of Plains, drilled the first county water well in 1906, just a few yards from where the current commemorative mill pumps away. He later dedicated land which now contains Plains' Cemetery, the site where Mr. Luna's wife Mary became the first resident buried in the new facility.

In 1908, the first county courthouse was built on this site, but burned in 1925. It was replaced by the old red brick building now on the west side of the courthouse square, and remained in county use until 1950, when the present building was opened.

In the brief presentation, Dallas recalled the first family windmill served as the only source of water for the very early settlers of the county. He reported, "Mother, Ty and I wanted to honor our ancestors, but we also wanted to restore the replica mill as close as possible to its original site, and as



Ty Earl, Wilma and Dallas Powell at windmill dedication

close to its 100th birthday as we could. April, 1906. We also had in mind all those early settlers, the families of McCravey's, Field's, Davis', Romain, and Dallas and Ty Earl are great grandsons of the pioneer couple.

Wilma Powell is the granddaughter of W.J. and Mary Luna, along with her sister and current resident Mary Jo St. Romain. Dallas and Ty Earl are great grandsons of the pioneer couple.

PISD athletes, parents learn marching orders for all district sporting programs

Plains ISD Administrative personnel, the Board of Trustees, the three campus Principals, other administrative personnel, and the entire athletic coaching staff drew the rapt attention of one or more family members of some seventy students who plan to take part in the upcoming athletic program of the district. They had learned in advance the importance of attending the called meeting - Be present for the meeting, sign an agreement to obey regulations explained in the official Athletic Department Handbook, and the consequences for a students - or parents failure to comply with rules in the handbook.

Following opening remarks, Superintendent James Haynes read sections of the Statement of Purpose of the University Interscholastic League, the governing body controlling the public school athletic events and other areas. Following a positive review of what student athletes can expect from UIL rules, Haynes pointed out to attending parents and their student athletes, "Please notice a team's win/loss record is never mentioned in the UIL statement. Neither is preparing a student athlete to earn a college scholarship, or making a parent happy because their child is a starter or star of the

team." Haynes reviewed the current athletic program at Plains ISD: "Our Junior High program provides opportunities for every student to participate in the sports fields they choose. We will 'play to win' but will give every student time and opportunity to develop potential and skills. The High School program is also designed to play to win, with the athletes the coaches feel can best achieve that goal. The coaching staff have had opportunity to observe, evaluate, and encourage student athletes. They will determine who will start in competition and who will play supporting roles. There is no guarantee of playing time in high school." Family members at the meeting received copies of the official Athletic Handbook, and Haynes explained, "The handbook is presented to our board of trustees each year, and when adopted becomes board policy, it is the law of the land and is not a book of suggestions." He referred to a number of changes found in the current handbook, including sections addressing conditioning, playing time, insurance and medical treatment, complaints/concerns from parents or athletes.

The Superintendent urged at-

tending parents to be supportive of the athletic programs, the student athletes themselves, and the coaching staff. "The athletes know when they make a mistake, fans don't need to point it out. Athletes win or lose together, it is never one persons fault." Haynes addressed the recurring problem of heckling game officials. "We have trouble bringing in game officials because we have a reputation of poorly treating the officials. Yelling insults at an official has never changed the outcome of a game for the better."

Parents attending the meeting were required to sign a document attesting they had attended the meeting and understood all of the athletic program documents made available at the meeting, and a list of their children who would participate in the Plains ISD athletic program in the coming school year. Parents unable to attend the meeting will be able to view a complete video of the meeting in order for their student children to participate in the program this year.

School starts at Plains ISD August 14. Coaches are currently conducting two-a-day conditioning and practice sessions for both the football and volleyball athletes.

Open House At Golf Pro Shop

Well wishers from both Denver City and Plains were present August 3 for the ritual ribbon cutting at the County Golf Club's new and long awaited club house and pro shop. Denver City's 'Red Coats' were joined by county officials, well wishers and golfers for the ceremony.

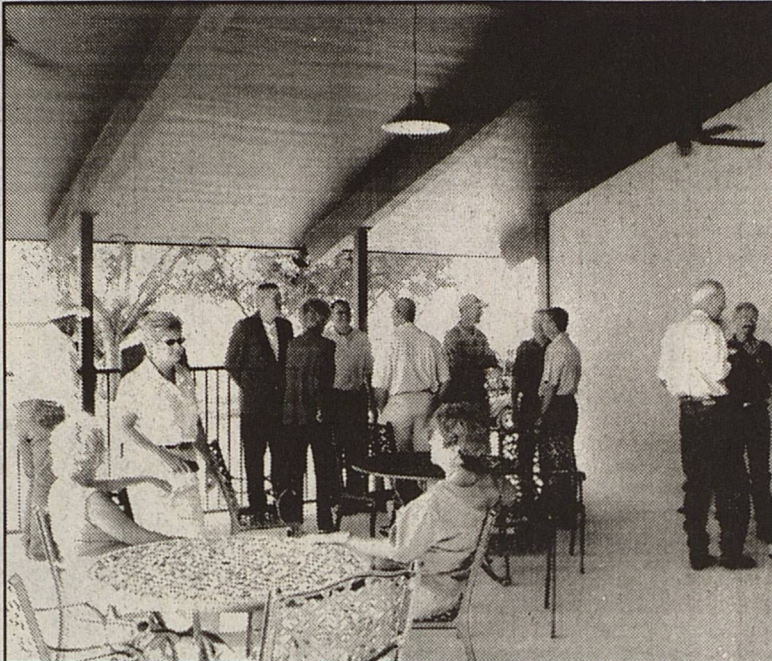
Wylie Osborne, club pro since 1984, described the event as "A long needed, great asset for both Denver City and Plains golfers and future golfers. It's a great addition to our county park here." He reported there are currently 230 golf club members, including almost two dozen out of county members.

The club currently plays host to about three dozen high school golfers from the two communities. Osborne said the golf club hosts several tournaments each year, with part of the entry fees going into a fund for high school golf scholarships. This year 35 young golfers from the two communities utilized the course for practice, and for a number of invitational high school tournaments. Osborne said three senior golfers from the two high schools received end of the year scholarships for col-



lege. Another invaluable asset of the club is Golf Course Superintendent Kenny Dierschkie. He and a full time crew of five keep the 18 hole asset in excellent condition, even during the current drought. Dierschkie and his family came here in 1997 from Snyder.

Osborne expressed his gratitude to the Golf Club Board, Commissioners Court and the club members themselves for the planning and completion of the new facility.



Capitol Comments Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison

I always look forward to August because it affords me an opportunity to travel across the state to meet Texans and listen to their concerns. This allows me to share with Texans what has been accomplished this year in Washington, DC, and what I will be working to achieve in the fall when Congress reconvenes.

There is no higher priority than protecting our national security, and this year the Senate took a stride toward that goal by renewing the PATRIOT Act. In addition to improving investigative tools that help thwart terrorist attacks, several new provisions were added to improve our nation's ability to secure our ports. Texas needs this additional protection because among all states, we have the most ports of entry, as well as the largest number of ports designated 'high-risk' by the Dept. of Homeland Security. The PATRIOT Act provides law enforcement officials with critical tools to stop terrorists while supporting collaboration between law enforcement agencies.

The Senate also authorized funds to support and supply the men and women of our armed forces defending our country in the War on Terror. Despite efforts by some members of Congress to prematurely abandon our mission, I stood resolutely with 85 other senators and sent a message to our troops and our allies we will never abandon them. America has never turned its back on its commitments, and we will leave Iraq only when the generals on the ground and the Iraqi's elected officials say our presence is no longer required. As recent events in the Middle East demonstrate, our foe is tenacious and determined to destroy democracy over the world. I will remain a proud supporter of our troops and their mission of defending America and freedom.

Economic reforms approved by the Senate have sustained the growth of our economy. Tax cuts passed by Congress have created more than 5 million jobs in the past three years, while cutting taxes by \$70 billion. We cut entitlement spending by \$100 billion over 10 years and froze non-defense, non homeland security spending. The tax cuts again demonstrated lowering tax burdens on working families can spur the economy, as tax receipts have increased nearly 35 percent since 2003. Economic growth has produced increased federal revenues, thus reducing the deficit at a faster than expected rate. We are now ahead of schedule to meet the president's 2004 goal of cutting the budget deficit in half by 2009.

Americans suffering from rising costs of energy will benefit from the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act of 2006, legislation I co-sponsored and recently passed by the Senate. By opening 8.3 million acres in the Gulf of Mexico for oil and gas production, we will further protect our national and economic security

by reducing our dependence on foreign sources of oil. This legislation further benefits Texas by providing our state with royalties from newly opened areas. Texas has financed and supported extensive Gulf Coast oil and gas exploration and refining, and these royalties will help preserve our environment while creating jobs related to increased exploration and production.

Finally, I made sure Texans affected by Hurricane Rita were treated fairly by the federal government by introducing and passing an amendment to the Senate Emergency Supplemental bill. My amendment raised the reimbursement rate for Rita damage claims to 90 percent federal, 10 percent state, saving hard hit Texas counties nearly \$200 million, and provided \$235 million for education costs associated with Katrina victims. Much has been accomplished in the Senate this year, and much remains to be done this fall. I look forward to discussing these issues with you this month.

Criminal cases heard in District, County Court

Criminal cases were heard in both District and County Court August 2. Judge Kelly G. Moore presided in District Court, with Judge Dallas Brewer presiding in County

Court. Criminal District Attorney Richard Clark represented the state in both sessions.

Charles Gregory Dillon pled guilty to possession of methamphetamine, more than four, less than 200 grams, a second degree felony. The State

waived enhancement in the case. He was sentenced to state prison for 20 years, with credit for 179 days jail time served. He must pay \$458 court costs. Causes of bail jumping and failure to appear were adjudicated. Investigating officer was Deputy Inoe Valdez, and Sequoyah Perry was his attorney.

In County Court, Ramiro Barrientez pled true to the state's motion to revoke supervision from a prior marijuana possession conviction. He was sentenced to 60 days in jail with credit for 25 days served.

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A Gold Mine in Bedroom Drawers

Newswire: People are selling their old scrap gold that is gathering dust for its cash value because gold prices are so high. With the price of gold at a 25 year high (over \$650.00 per ounce), it makes sense. ScrapGold.com, a gold recycler, offers free insured recycle kits so people may cash in their scrap with 24 hour service and guarantee satisfaction. They accept broken and outdated items like chains, charms, rings and more. "Everyone has bits of gold just lying around which can be turned into cash" says Richard Zakroff, VP of marketing. "Even old dental gold has value." ScrapGold.com processes over 10,000 recycle Kits per month. People can get a free GoldKit at 1-800-283-4700 or ScrapGold.com.

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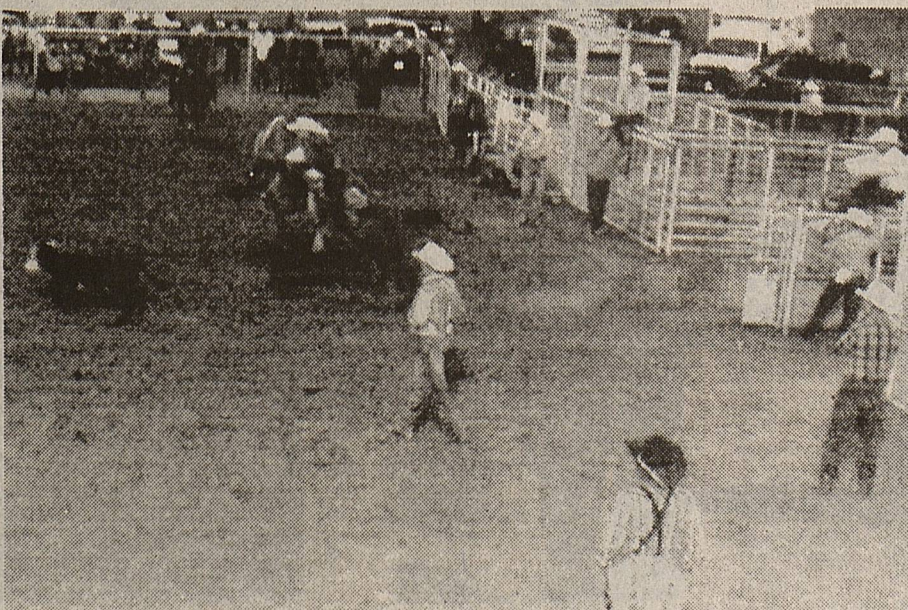
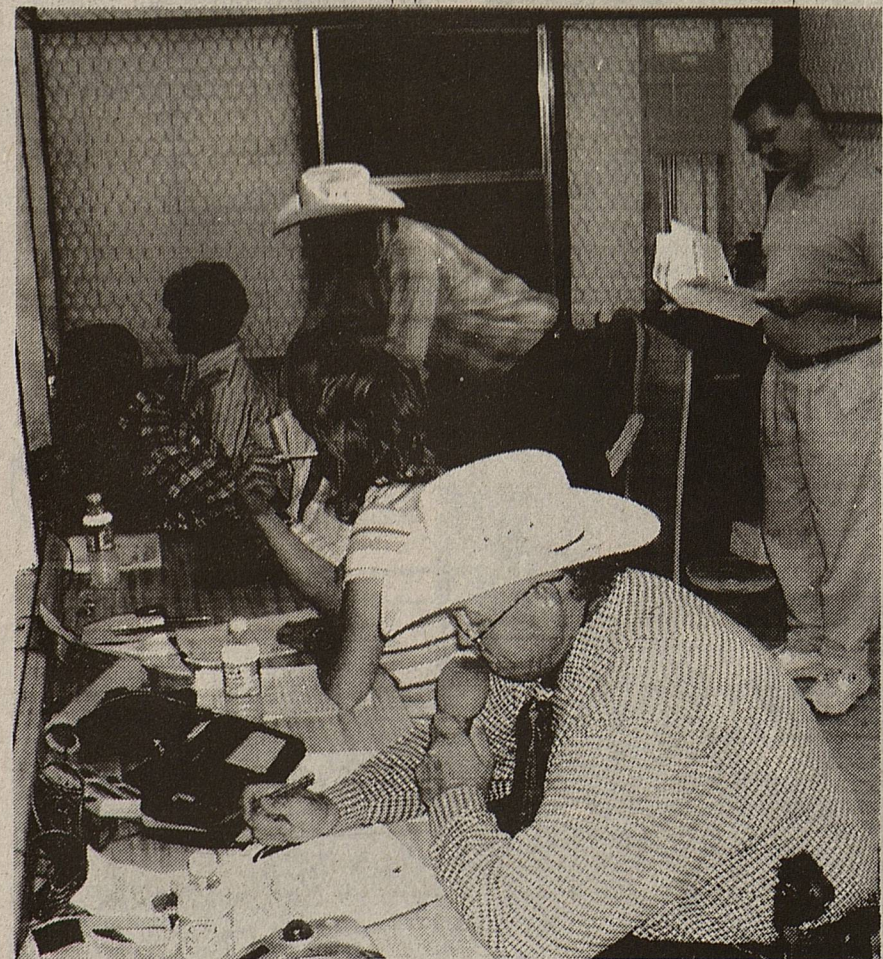
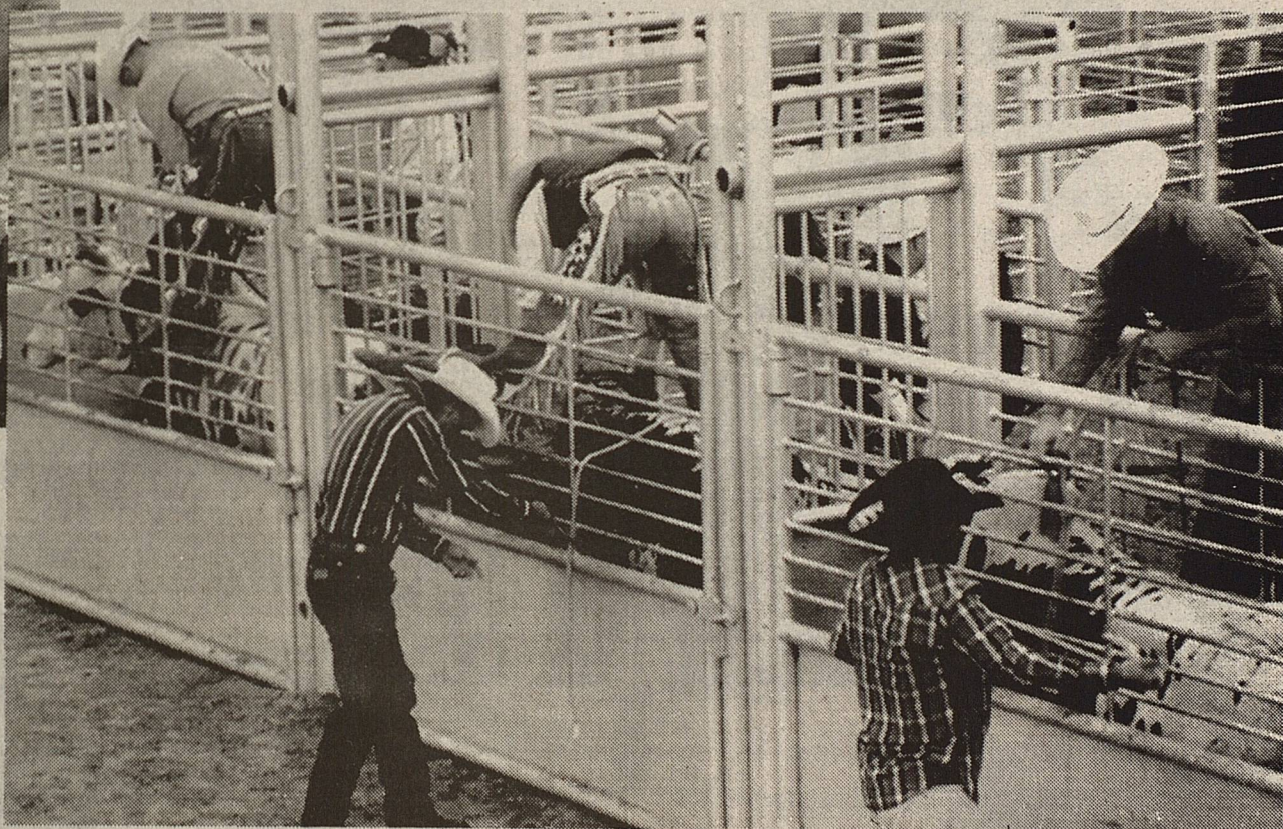
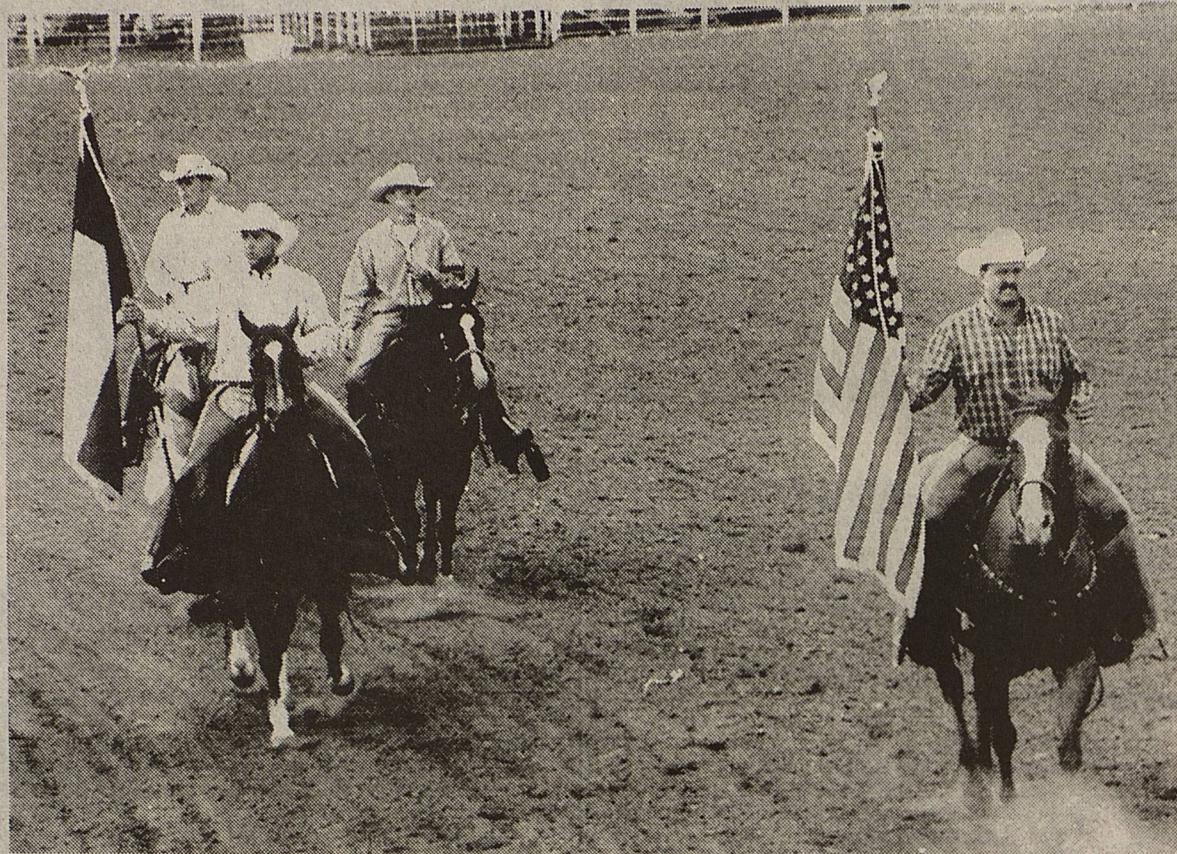
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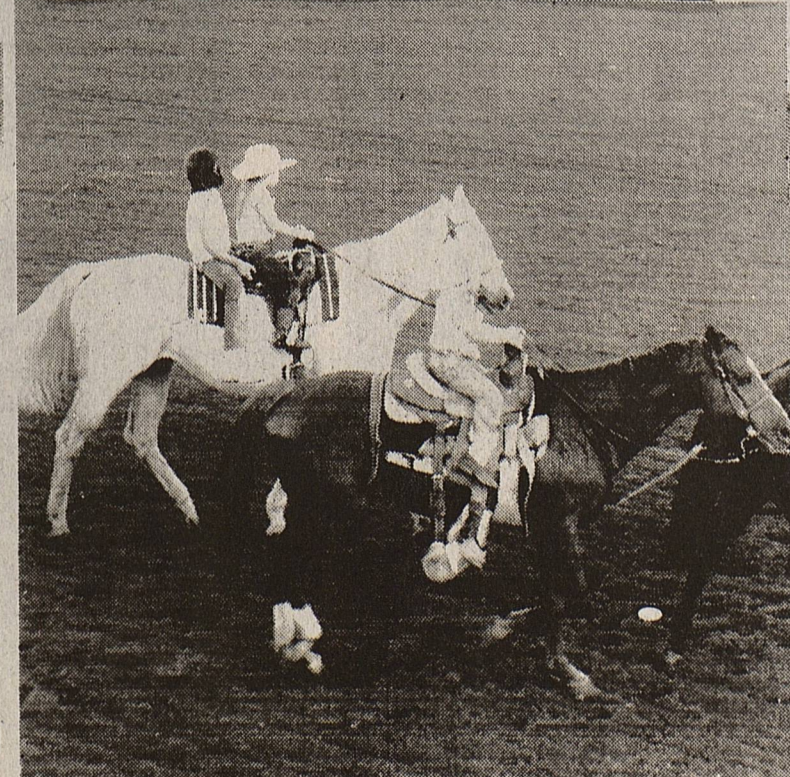
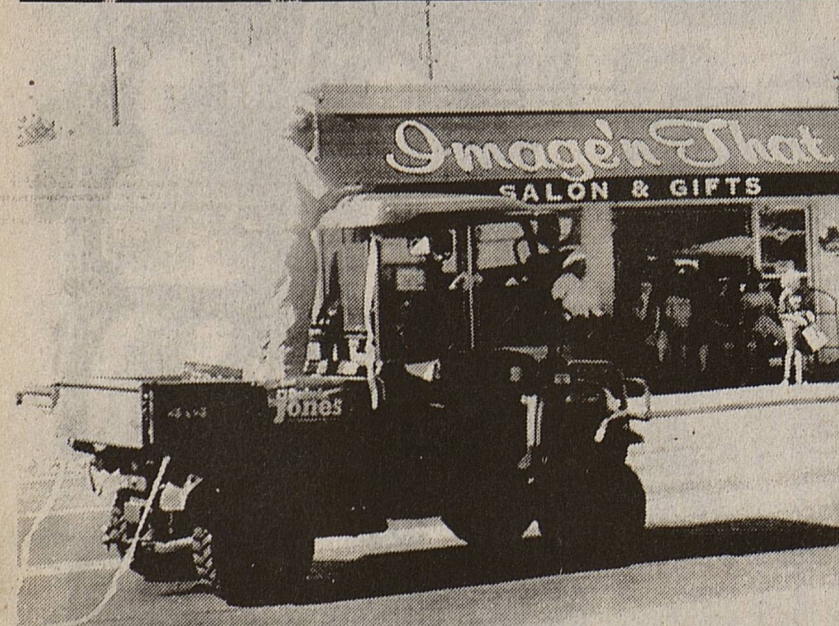
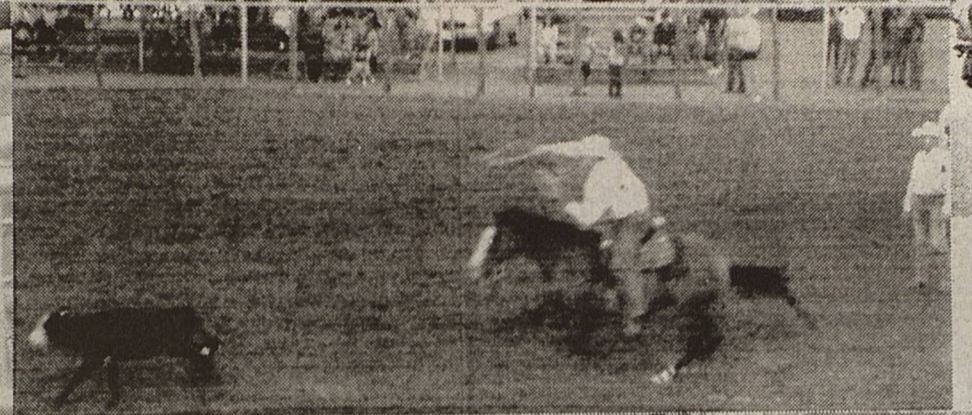
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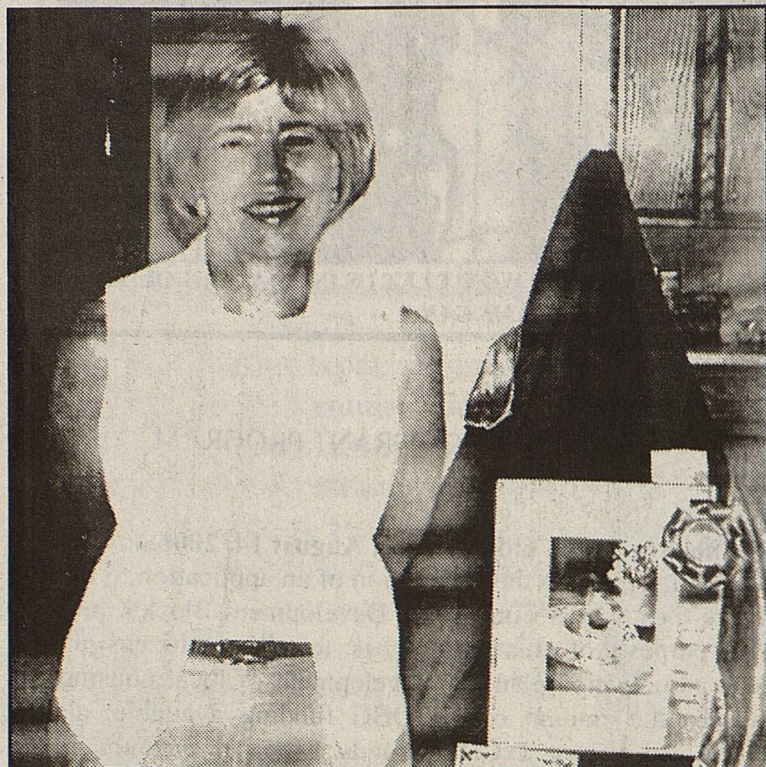
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2006 Art Show Scenes



Carol Skinner, Hobbs- Best of Show Painting



Suzy Powell, 1st place, Still Life watercolor



Linda Powell, with Sommer Powell- 1st place Miniature Painting



Connie Webb, Denver City- Best of Show Photography



J.D. Keel, Seagraves, 1st place, Landscape, oil
Space permitting, we will try to report Art Show results next issue of CCN

*Don't compromise yourself.
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Betty Ford

Senior Corners

By Claudia Sue Ferguson

As I start the column today, our hearts are saddened by the loss of a dear friend and member of our center. Lloyd Steele was a close friend to Ted and others of the center and the 7 PM coffee club. This group of men have lost so many of the original members. First it was George Sorrell, then Calvin Moose, J.C. Futch and Dick Stafford. These were fine upstanding men who loved to get together along with Ted, Bob Thurston and Ed Hicks and tell tales, laugh and sometimes argue, but always having a good time. Ted and Lloyd go back a long way and were especially close. We and the seniors at the center send our love and prayers to Jimmie and family.

But this is the normal way of life. As we grow older we realize how short our life is here on earth. We can never take our lives for granted. Our task here is to show God's love to each other and make the most of each day. That is just what Lloyd and Jimmie did. I hope my life is just as good an example to others as theirs have been. They have a wonderful devoted family who have been at Jimmie's side throughout Lloyd's accident and illness.

Our senior center provides that special something extra for seniors who need fellowship, fun, laughter and of course, food! And you know what? It doesn't matter whether you are white, black or brown, that love is here. We greet each other with hugs and smiles. And, if someone is missing we will ask about them. Everyone cares about the welfare of each other. We know about vacations, cruises, doctor appointments and when family members are visiting. We care for each other! That's why our center is so important. It's more than just the good food.

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From The Hack

This is offered in solemn love and affection for a guy related to me by marriage:

The Pope had been touring the US and took off a couple of days to see the wonders of Alaska. Touring a national park in the Pope Mobile he was horrified to see a man wearing a tee shirt emblazoned with "Save The Whales and Spotted Owls" slogans, and an ugly print of George W with a red slash over his face, being savagely attacked by an enraged ten foot grizzly bear. At that moment a group of conservative loggers burst out of the forest, and one raced to the bear and liberal tourist, stuck a .44 magnum revolver to the bear's chest and popped off four rounds. The bear fell, and the other loggers grabbed up wood clubs and pounded it to a pulp., then carefully loaded the injured liberal into their truck, and with great effort managed to push and pull the dead bear into the bed of the truck.

The Pope approached, amazement on his face. "I give you my blessings for your bravery. I have always heard there was bitterness between liberal environmentalists and conservative loggers but now I have seen with my own eyes this is not true. I give you my blessings!" As he drove off, a

logger asked, "Who was that guy?" "It was the Pope," another logger said. "He has direct contact with Heaven and access to all wisdom."

Another logger said, "Well, all that may be true but he sure don't know nothing about bear hunting. By the way, how's our bait holding up? Reckon we need to go back to Massachusetts and snatch another one?"

For any of you now suffering political rage at this, I will truthfully confess - I admired Truman, voted for Kennedy (the first and only real one) and good old Lyndon Baines J.

The following pearls were sent to me from someone I've never heard of. Thanks, whoever you are!

"I dialed a number and got the following recording: I am not available now, but thanks for caring enough to call. I am making some changes in my life. Please leave a message after the beep. If I do not return you call, you are one of the changes."

Maxim for would-be aircraft pilots - "Always try to keep the number of landings you make equal to the number of take offs you make".

"My wife and I had words, but I didn't get to use all mine."

"My five year old son and I were heading to McDonald's when we passed a car accident. When we see something terrible like that, we usually say a prayer for those who might be hurt., so I pointed and said to my son, "We should pray." From the back seat I heard his earnest voice say, "Please, God, don't let all those cars block the entrance to McDonald's."

PETIT JURY SELECTION FOR THE 121ST DIST. COURT ON AUGUST 14, 2006 AT 9 AM.

A Petit Jury selection will be held for the 121st District Court August 14, 2006 at 9AM in the Courtroom of the Yoakum County Courthouse in Plains, Texas. The following citizens are asked to appear"

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The City of Plains will hold a public hearing at 6:00 p. m. on August 14, 2006 at City Hall, 1015 Avenue F, Plains, Texas, in regard to the submission of an application to the Office of Rural Community Affairs for a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TxCDBG) grant. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizens participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TxCDBG funding available, all eligible TxCDBG activities and the use of past TxCDBG funds. The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TxCDBG application and to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to Terry Howard, City Administrator, at City Hall. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact City Hall at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. For further information, contact Terry Howard, City Administrator, at the City Hall (806) 456-2288.

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2006 Watermelon Roundup Activities

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Saturday, September 2, 2006

8:00 a.m.

Until 8:45 Register for Toddler & Kids Run NW of Old Courthouse
Brisket Cook-Off starts - Stanford Park

9:00 a.m.

Flag Ceremony/Pledge of Allegiance National Anthem, Ashley Vantine - Stage
Toddler & Kids Runs(sponsored by Agrilience) start - NW of Old Courthouse
Decorated Melon Contest Entries - Information Booth
Classic Car Show starts - Front of school
Books open for Team Roping - Plains Rodeo Arena



9:15 a.m.

First Baptist Church Choir - Stage

9:45 a.m.

Suzie Gayle, San Angelo - Stage

10:00 a.m.

Team Roping - Plains Rodeo Arena

10:30 a.m.

4-H Fashion Show

11:00 a.m.

The Martins/Donnie Martin, Levelland - Stage

Watermelon Seed Spitting Contest (Jr High through Adult) - Front of New Courthouse
(\$50 prize/1st Place in each category)

12:00 p.m.

Star Dance Academy, Hobbs - Stage

1:00 p.m.

Queen Presentation

"Kiss a Pig"

George Morin & Tejano Band, Slaton - Stage

Watermelon Awards & Recognition Ceremony - Stage

2:00 p.m.

Ashley Vantine - Stage

2:15 p.m.

Under the Double Eagle Band - Stage

3:00 p.m.

"Kiss a Pig"

Horseshoe Pitching Contest - Pioneer Park (\$100 prize/1st Place Team)

Cowpatty Bingo - Front of Crosswind Enterprises

Nicki Lee - Stage

3:15 p.m.

Michael Earnest Band/Dakota Earnest, Plains - Stage

4:00 p.m.

Cook-Off Winners Announced - Stage

Malon Richardson Band, Tahoka - Stage

5:00 p.m.

To Be Announced - Stage

6:00 p.m.

Final Announcements - Stage

All Day Entertainment

Rock Climbing Wall/Train Ride-Front of New Courthouse

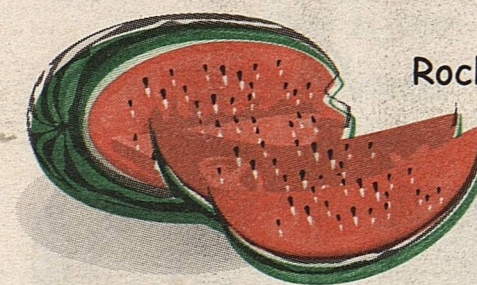
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Free Kids Games - Pioneer Park

Petting Zoo - Pioneer Park

Sports on Air Carnival

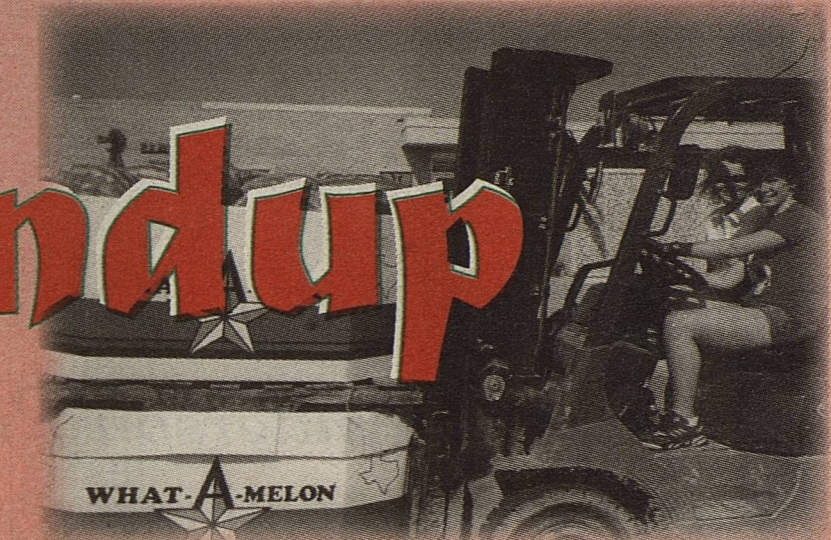
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Classes ranged from finger-painting, mosaic crosses, quilling, paper mache sculptures, robot models,

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We also used literature as a focus in many of our classes by incorporating books into the classes.

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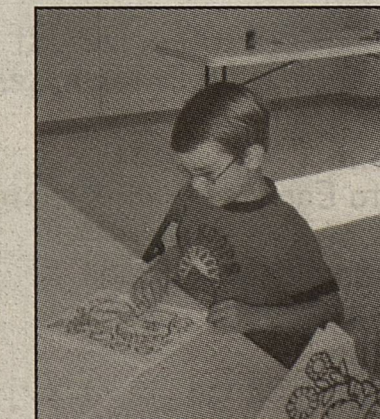
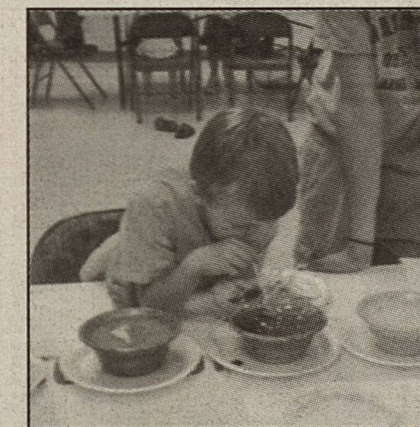
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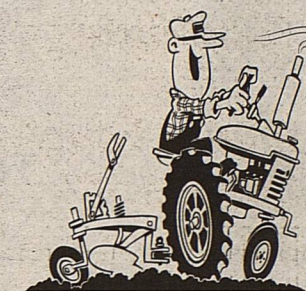
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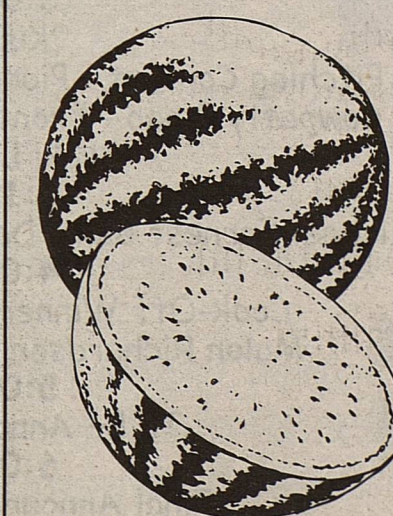
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The juice drips down my elbows.
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Eating watermelons as well
But, not too much!

Also, watermelon decorating contests.
Extraordinary, sweet, mmmm good,
Slurp this is what I hear every
Time some one take a big gigantic bite.
Some are as big as barrels
And some are as small as babies!

I love big, juicy, and sticky watermelons!!!
I love the rock hard shell of watermelons!
The gooshy slimy inside of watermelons!
I have three more things to say about watermelons.
I love watermelons.
Their taste is as sweet as sugar.
The juicy red insides are as rosy as cheeks on a hot summer day!

What a glorious sweet sticky sensation
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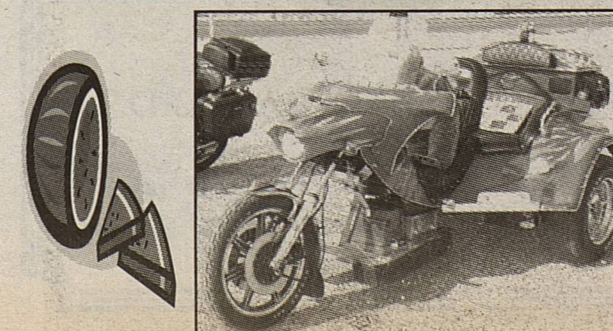
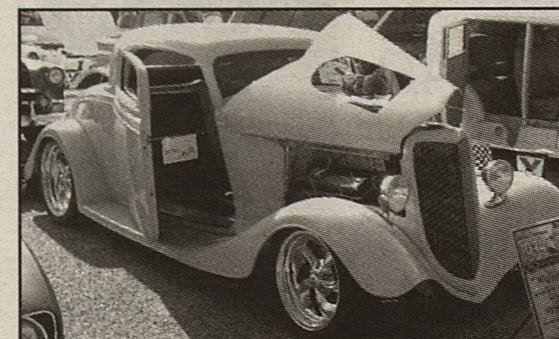
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The 11th annual Watermelon Roundup will again be the site of a Car Show that attracts entrants from all around the area. The types of cars, trucks, motorcycles run from highly modified to antiques. There is something for everyone that likes to admire some very artistic work in the form of automobiles. The Car Show has also had displays of antique tractors and specialty vehicles.

Exhibitors come from all around the high plains and panhandle and even from out of state. Car clubs from Midland/Odessa, Lubbock, Lovington and Hobbs are always represented and in the past a contestant from the Great Lakes area of the United States participated.

Participation at the first Car Show was around 50 automobiles and has grown over the years to exceed 100 entrants. If you want to have a great time, view some excellent craftsmanship and beautiful automobiles, the Car Show at the 11th annual Watermelon Roundup is the place to be on September 2, 2006.



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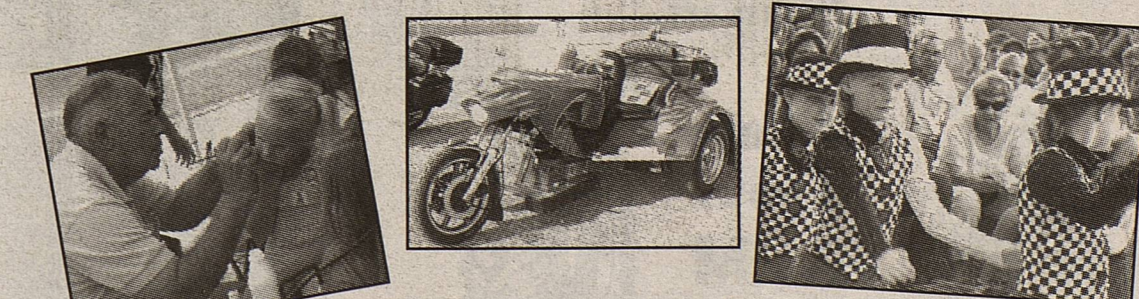
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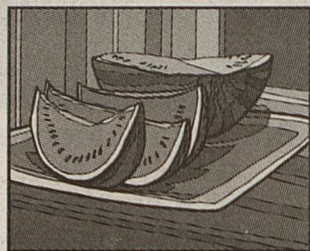
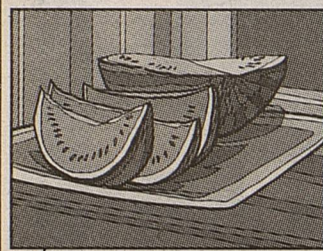
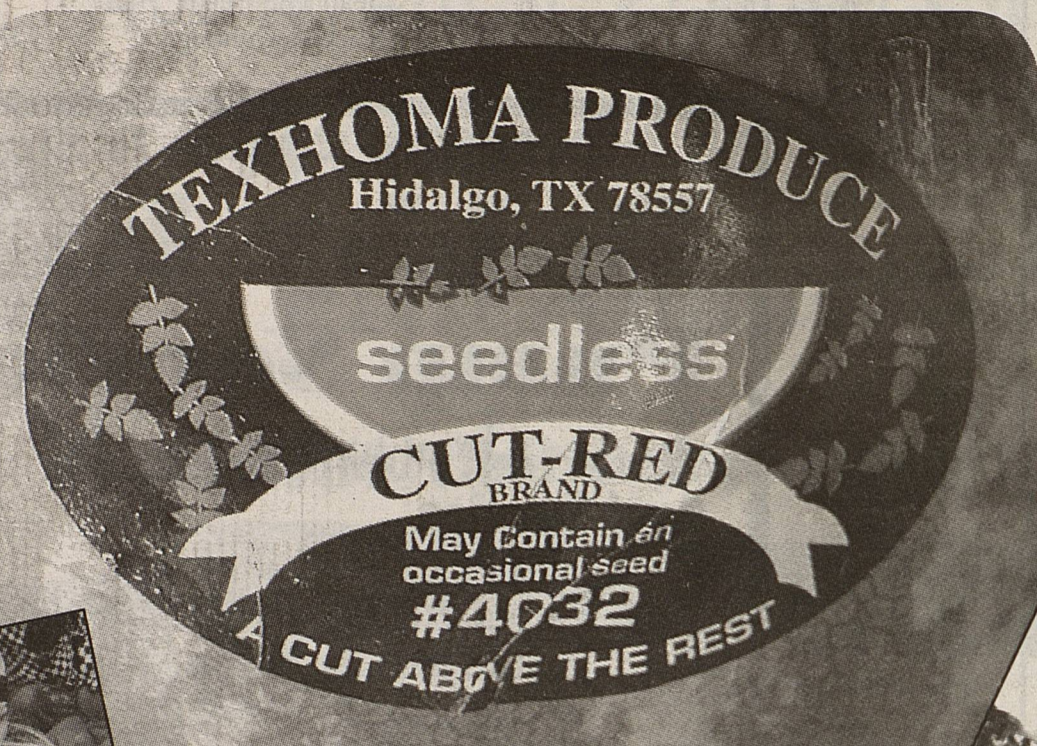
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Watermelon...

- is the lycopene leader in fresh produce.
- is the lycopene leader among fresh fruits and vegetables.
- contains more lycopene than fresh tomatoes.
- contains 15 to 20 mg of lycopene per 2-cup serving.
- gets its red color from lycopene.
- is cholesterol free.
- is virtually fat free.
- is very low in sodium.
- is an excellent source of vitamins A, B6 and C.
- is a natural hydrator. Watermelon is 92 percent water and a great way to make sure everyone is getting enough fluids.

Vitamins A, B6 and C in watermelon provide great health benefits, and should be consumed as part of a healthy diet rich in fruit and vegetables. A 2-cup serving of watermelon is an excellent source for Vitamins A, B6 and C.

Vitamin A...

- boosts immunity by enhancing the infection-fighting actions of the white blood cells called lymphocytes.

Vitamin B6...

- helps in the manufacture of neurotransmitters, which are necessary for the conversion of tryptophan to serotonin, a mood-regulating compound in your brain, assisting in healthy brain function.

- is used by the body to manufacture brain chemicals such as serotonin, melatonin and dopamine, which preliminary research shows may help the body to cope with anxiety and panic.

Vitamin C...

- can help to bolster your immune system's defense against infections and viruses.
- is known to stimulate the immune system and protect against free radical damage.
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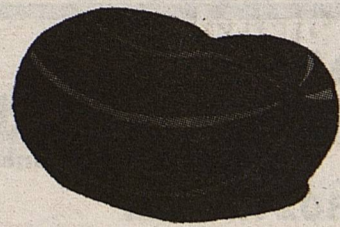
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Adult Free Verse Winner

Watermelon round up
by: Amie Draper
Denver City

All the people will enjoy everything about it.
Tell the newspaper to write about it.
Everyone will be surprised about it.
Run around and smile about it.
Many people will stop and see about it.
Everything is all fun and games about it.
Lots of grandparents will laugh about it.
On the night before we can dream about it.
Now it's the day to jump around about it.

Run, play, and sing about it.
On the news they'll talk about it.
Use the camera to make memories about it.
Not so nice people will be nicer about it.
Down the road the make books about it.

Up to my head in watermelons about it.
People make melon juice and drink a lot of it.

This is a Watermelon Round-Up,
I'm proud to be part of it.

High School Free Verse Winner

Water-Melon War
by: Holden Welch
Plains

Dawn was rising on the fifth
day of The Water-Melon
War.

The battlefield was stained
in red from the long day
of fighting.

There was juice and seeds
splattered all over the
ground.

Shattered shells were laying
everywhere.

The rivalry started 20 years
ago when Jim Water
took some land from
Thad Melon.

For the past 20 years, the
two families have been
quarreling and getting
into small fights.

But the carnage broke out
when Chad Water mar-
ried Lyndsy Melon.

Neither one of the fami-
lies wanted their child
to take the other's last

name.
Since both sides had lost a
lot of Waters and a lot of
Melons,
Chad and Lyndsy came up
with a plan to stop all
the violence and devas-
tation.

They decided that they
would be called Chad

and Lyndsy Watermel-
on.
Both sides of the family
thought that was a wa-
termelontastic idea.
The feuding stopped and
the two families agreed
to a piece.
And that is how the Water-
melons came to be.

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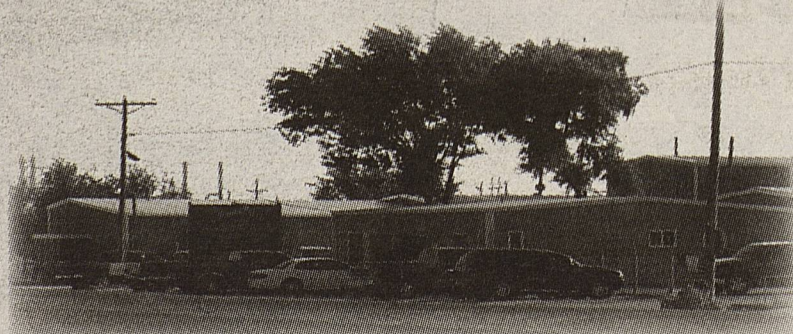
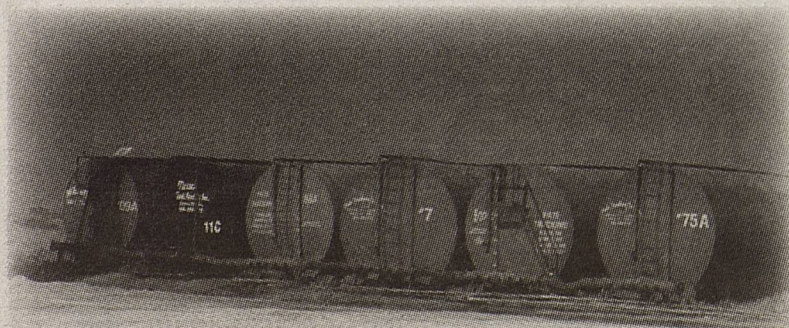
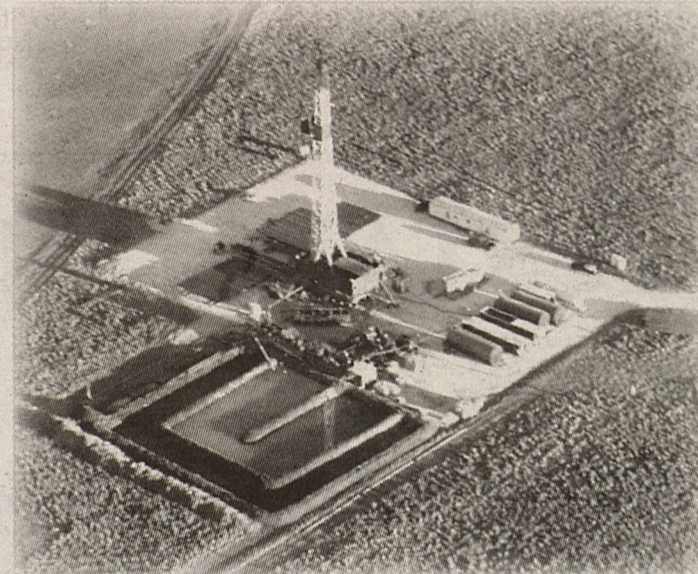
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Grades 5-8 Free Verse Winner

*Watermelon Harvest
by: Eric Esquivel
Denver City*

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your seed, so I can eat
Watermelon watermelon grow more and more,
because I could eat a horse
Watermelon watermelon please please turn
green, or I might turn mean
Watermelon watermelon I'll give extra water,
So you can grow extra huge and I can eat you
Watermelon watermelon I'll give you tea,
If you please please grow for me
Watermelon watermelon I dream of you,
But if I could only taste you
Watermelon watermelon you gleam with glee,
Because you don't grow for me
Watermelon watermelon you make me cry,
As you shine in the mid-moonlight sky
Watermelon watermelon its finally time,
For now you are mine
Watermelon watermelon your time is up,
I won this battle
I ATE YOU ALL UP!! UMMMM!!!

Rhymed Grades 1-4 -- Winner

*Watermelons
by: Meagan Martin
Denver City*

Watermelons are so bright,
Like a warm summer night.
Every day I have a chance,
I would eat them and dance.
While swimming in the pool,
Or while it was very very cool.
Even in the house,
While sharing with a
mouse.
I love watermelon so
much,
I always have to give it a
gentle touch.
In the evening or day.
Because of watermelon I
know how to play.
When I think of water-
melon so oval and
green,
I think it is the most beau-
tiful thing I've ever
seen.
The taste so lovely and

the smell is so great,
Nobody would say that's what I hate.
Every year I grow watermelons in my
pasture,
And every year they grow faster and
faster.
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While we eat a watermelon half.
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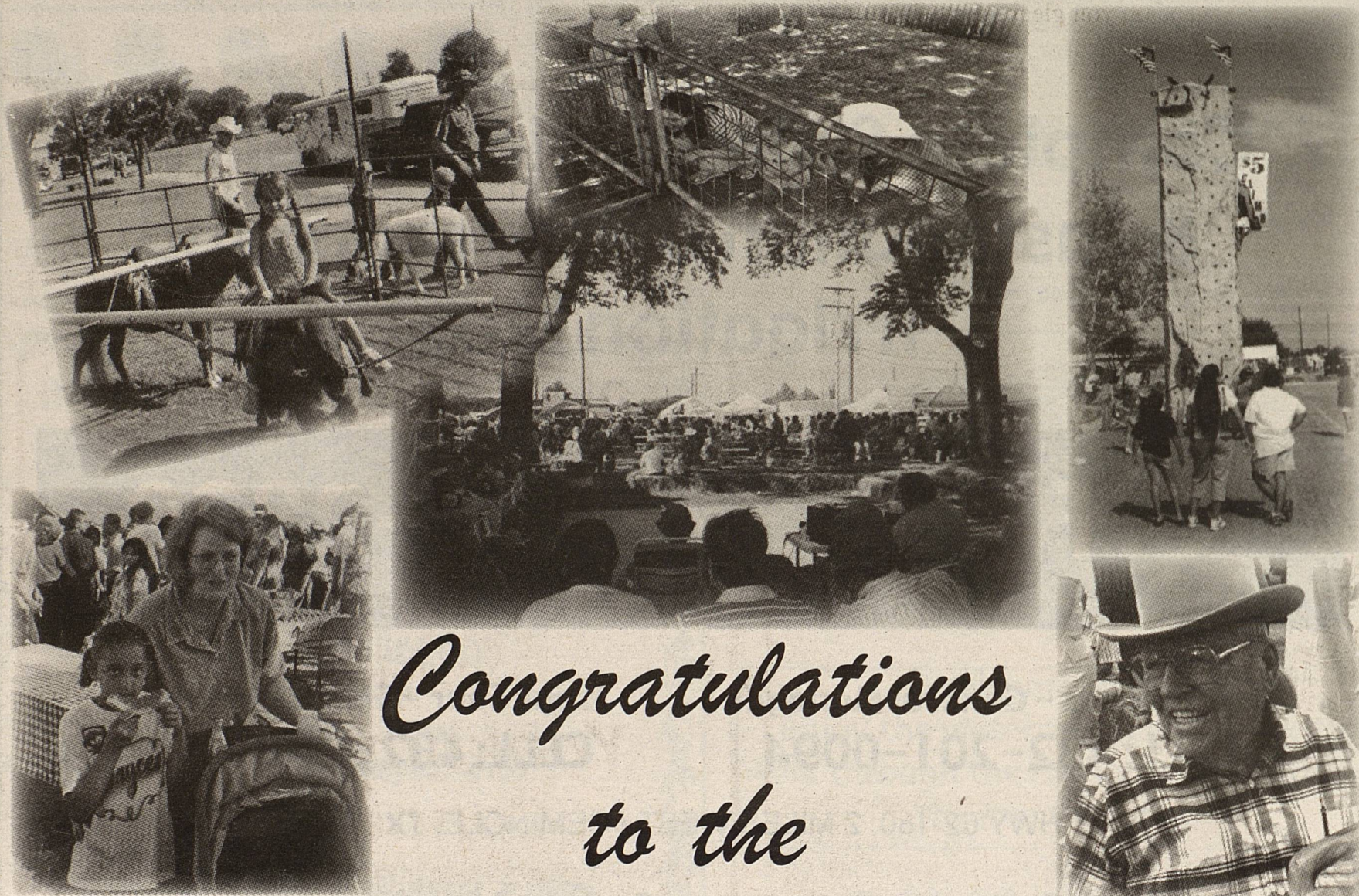
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*Thank you, God,
For Watermelons
by: Lauren Hise
Plains*

*Rhymed, metered poetry
High School Grades 9-12*

Thank you, God, for wa-
termelons,
So round, juicy, and
sweet.

Thank you, God for giv-
ing me,
Such a wonderful, nutri-
tious treat.
Thank you, god, for the
farmers,
Who work so hard each
day,
To grow a hundred wa-
termelons,

Which please us in every
way.
Thank you, god, for West
Texas,
The soil, dirt, and occa-
sional rain.
Because without these,
Lord, they would not
grow,
And I might go insane!
Now, I know dear Lord,
that watermelons
Can't make the world go
round,
But I can tell you one
thing's for sure...
They're the main event
in our little town!
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for many things,
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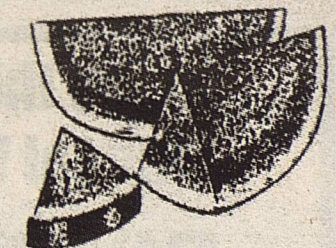


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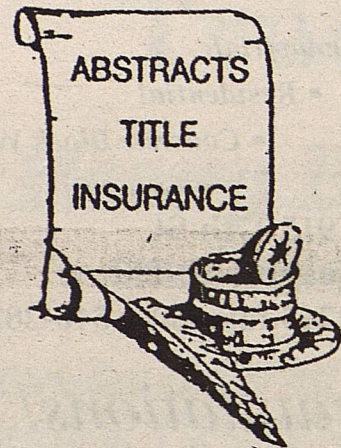
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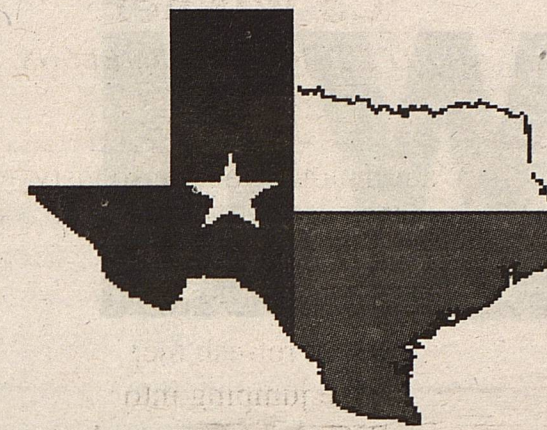
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Grades 1-4 Free Verse Co-Winner

A Watermelon Vice
by: Kaleb King
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Sugar is sweet but watermelons are sweeter than honey.
Slurp! Slurp!
I hear the birds chirp.
I eat the plump, juicy, fruit that feels like a delightful story.

In the beginning, you cut the curved skin to get to the squishy center.
The juice gushes out of the ripe watermelon.
The sticky goodness of the fruit runs off the table.
The sweet smell fills my

nose.

You split the green oval to show the red center.
The black and white seeds look like little dots at the end of a sentence.
You scoop out the center of the watermelon for your first taste.
The sugary goodness feels my mouth.
MMMM.

My family comes upstairs to eat.
We all laugh when I dropped my slice of watermelon on the floor.
When we all finish, we go to bed.
While I am in bed, I think about the taste of the watermelon then I fall into darkness.

Grades 1-4 Free Verse Co-Winner

FRUITY, JUICY WATERMELONS
by: Jacob Garcia
Denver City

Watermelons, you are so tasty.
When I look at you...
my mouth waters.

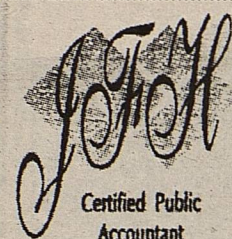
You refresh me,
like jumping into
a BIG swimming pool.

Watermelons, you are big and green.
You remind me of a
BIG Tree.

You are so juicy,
your juice flows through my fingers,
like a waterfall.

Watermelons, you are so good.
You are like fresh brownies from the
oven.

Watermelons...
Thank you for treating my tummy!



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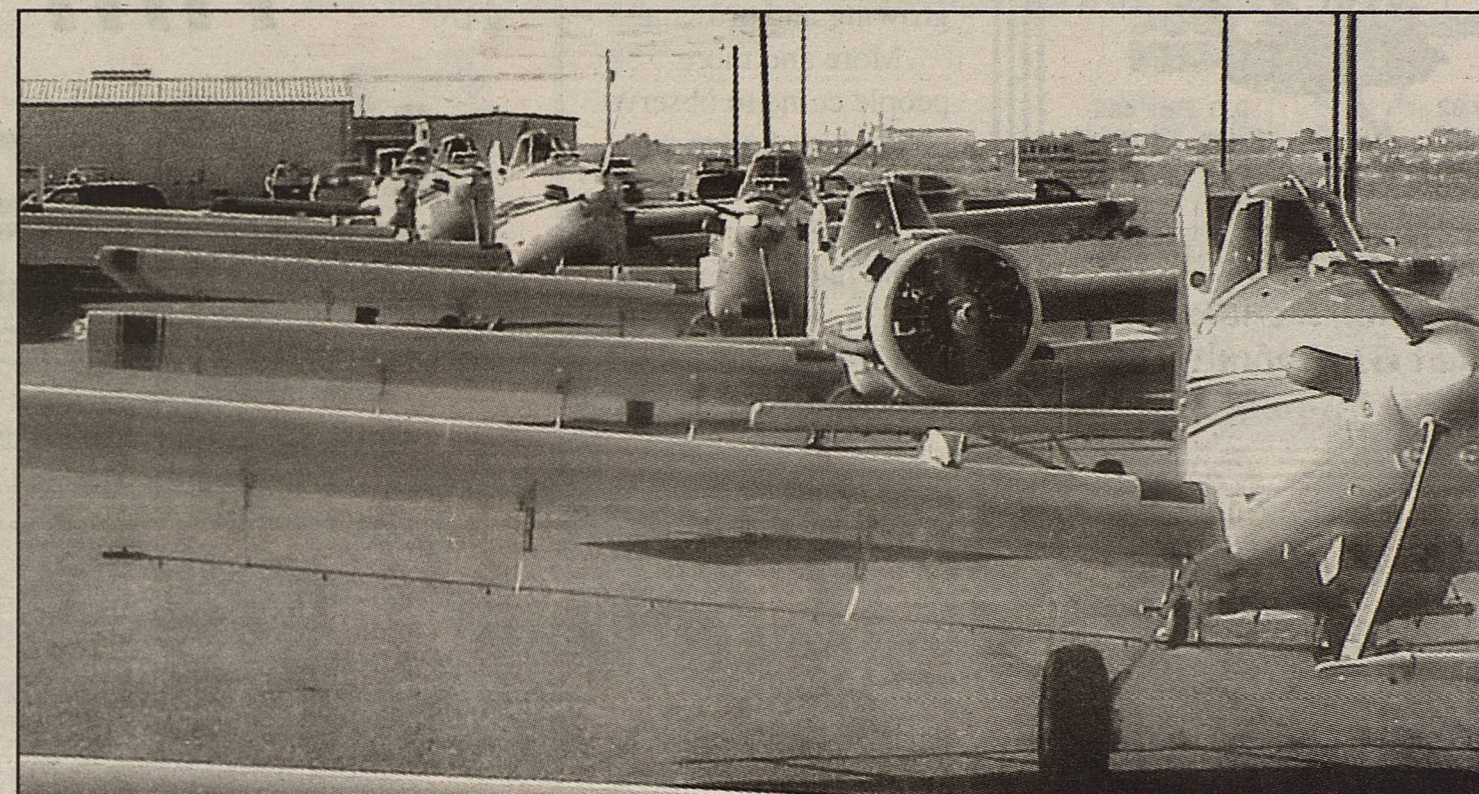
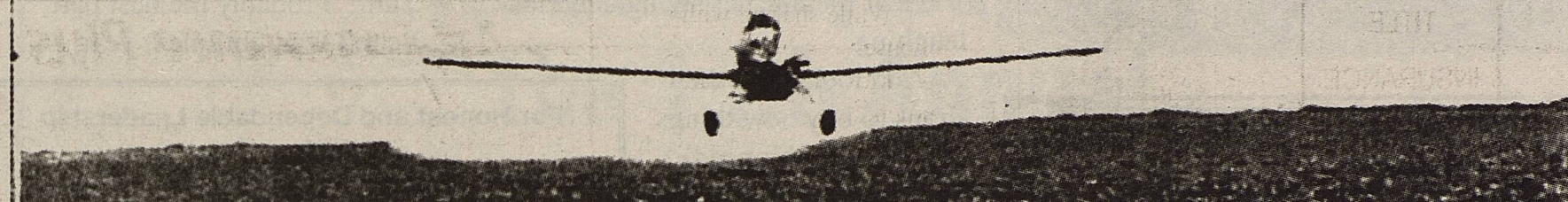
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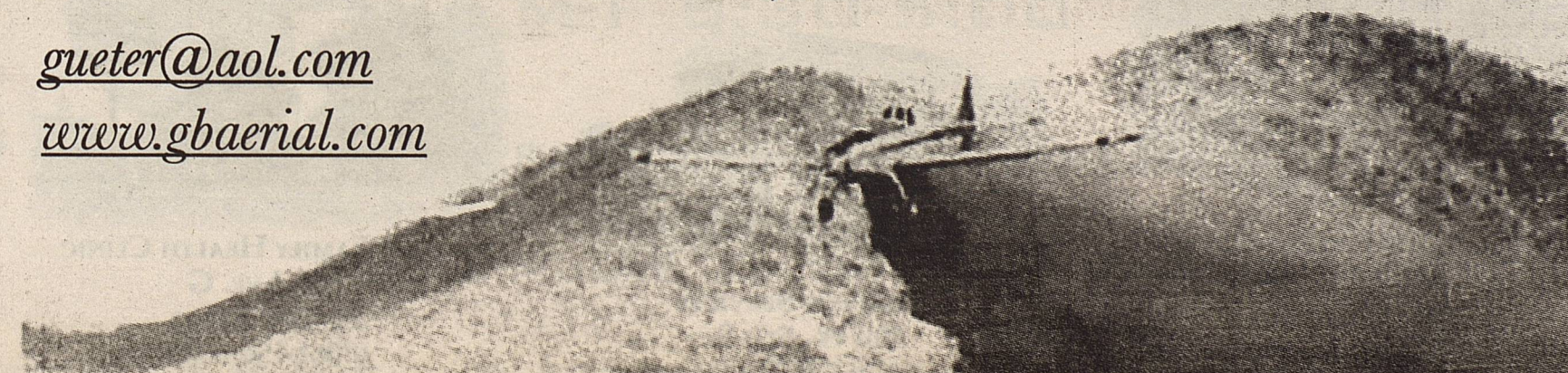
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High School Free Verse Honorable Mention

Watermelon Round-Up
by: Amber Friesen
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My house is not far from it
So when I walk up the road
I can smell all the food cooking
Hear the music playing and kids
laughing

And look at all the
shops to buy new things
(That I don't need)
Every year it is
growing and growing
More and more
people come to observe
And eat lots of watermelon
As everything grows
So does the excitement
I love to watch the
little kids
Running around to

all the booths
Seeing if they can get some
candy
Or play a game for free
Then they move on to the watermelon
Yum! Probably the best part
I can't wait until next year.





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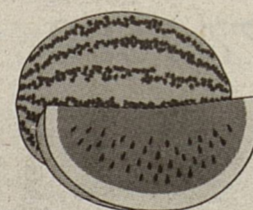
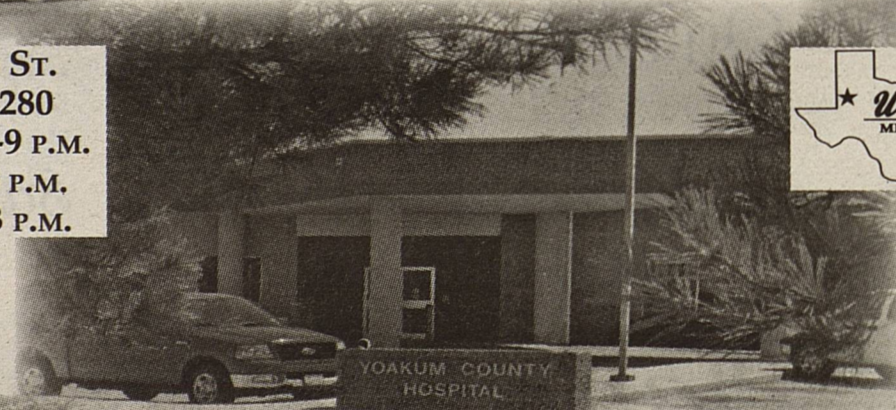


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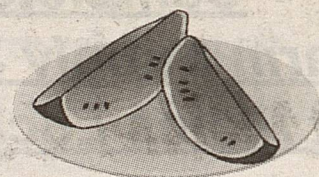
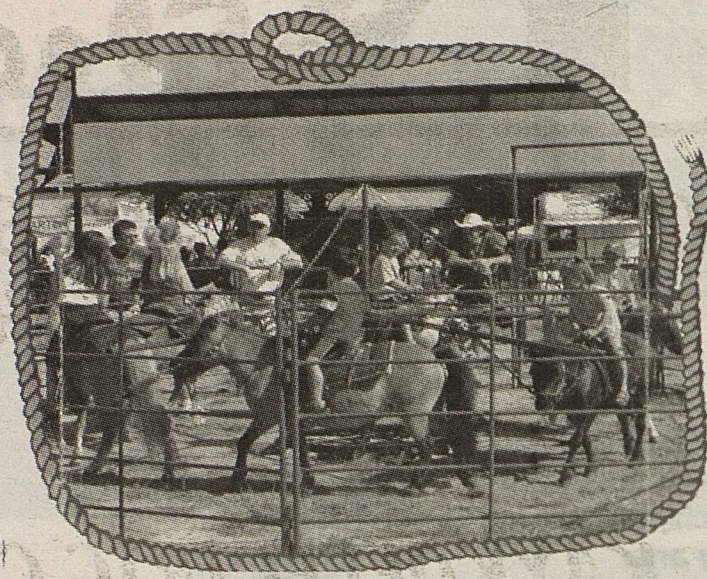
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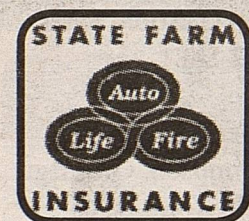
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10th Grade Free Verse Honorable Mention

by: Jordan Williams
Denver City

Sunlight kisses you
Rain infiltrates you
Soil cocoons you
All for that blistering,
Summer day
When you...
Crisp, cold,
And sweet
Take away my complaints
With that blissful bite of you,
Watermelon

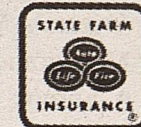


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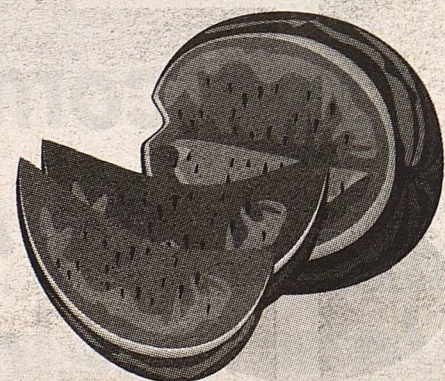


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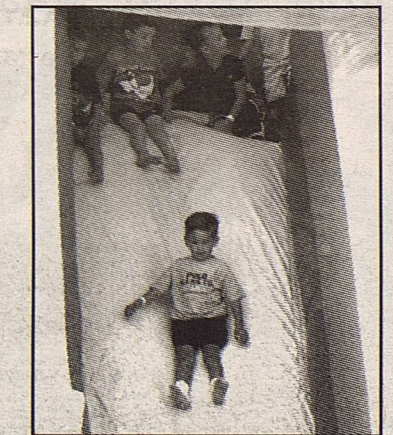



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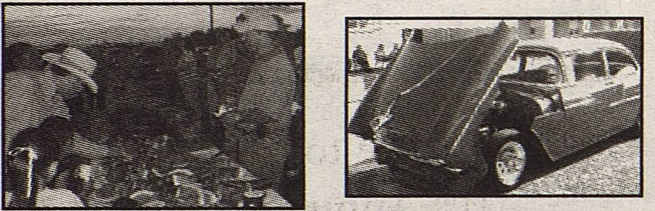
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Back to my home,
I dare not go,
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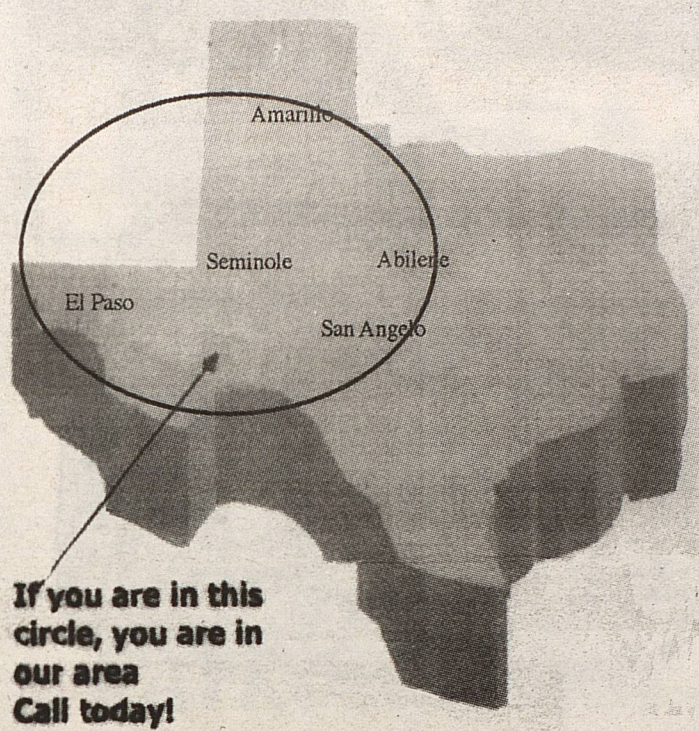


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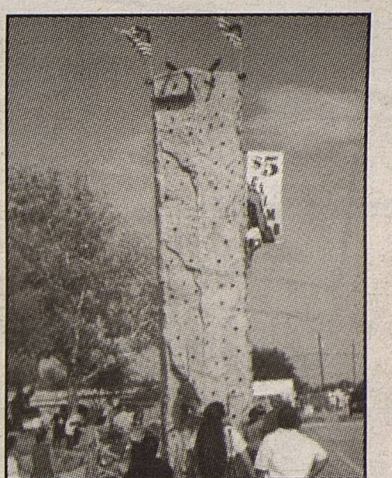
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High School Rhymed Poetry Honorable Mention

The Tasty Disaster
by: Chris Addison
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And soon a new plant was found
The farmer came to pick the fruit
And had to go and cut the root
At town the item was bought
And to eat it many sought
All circled around the prize
And stared at it with hungry eyes
And just when it was to be enjoyed
It fell of the table and was destroyed
But when the smallest child took the first bite
Soon all the others saw the light
Their ruined item wasn't the best
But it tasted just as good as all the rest
They thought the gift was dropped from heaven
And all said "that's some good watermelon"



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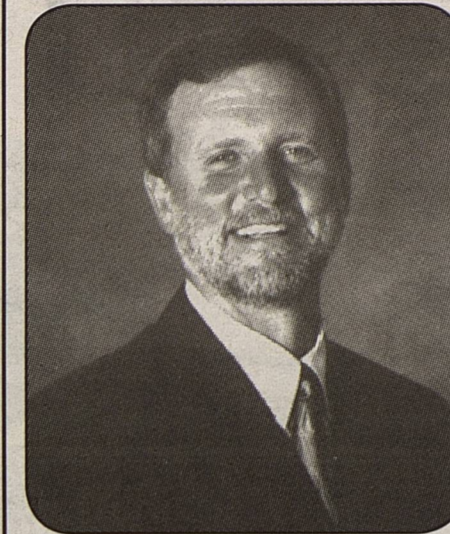
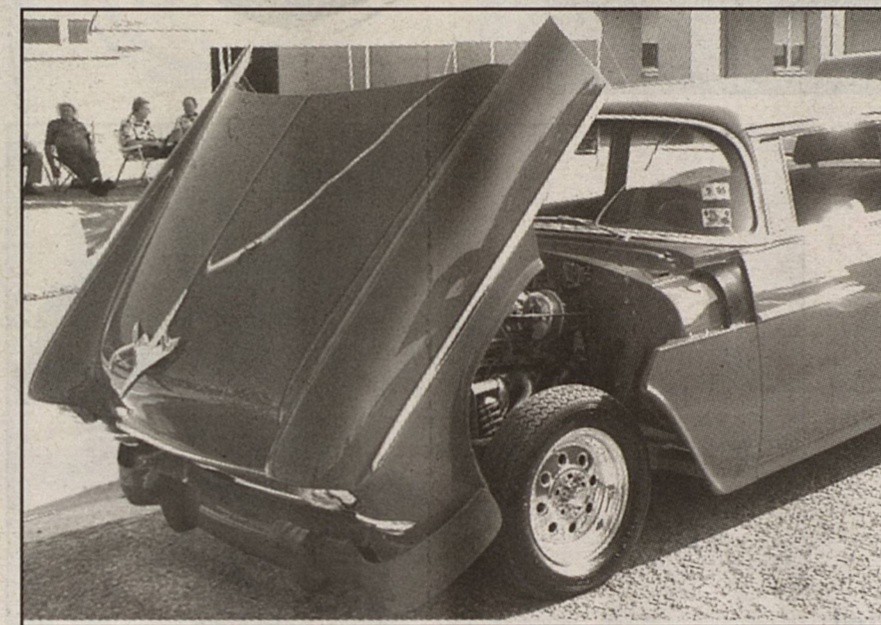
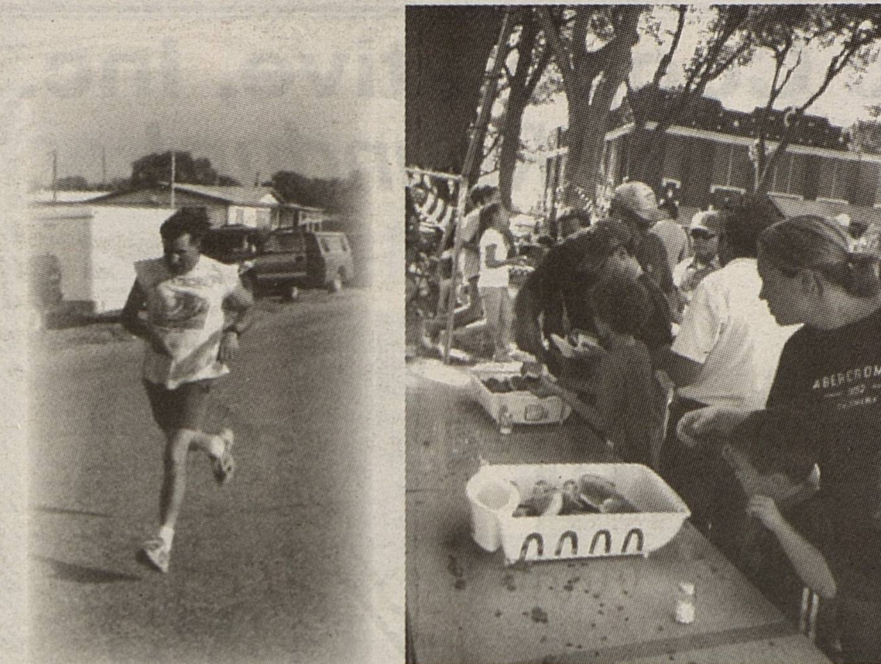
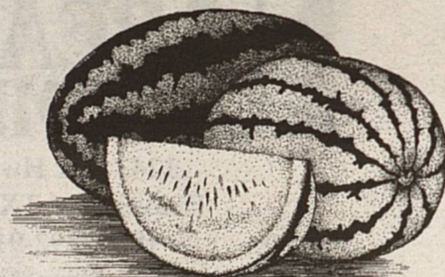
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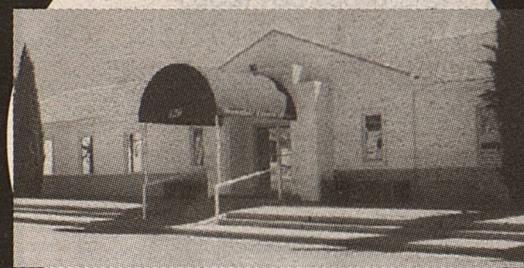
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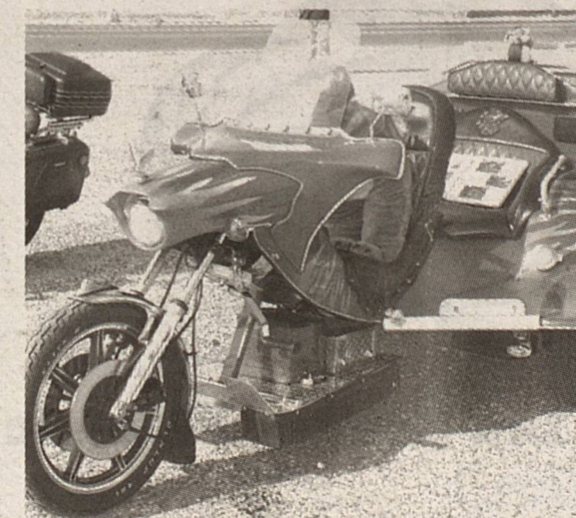
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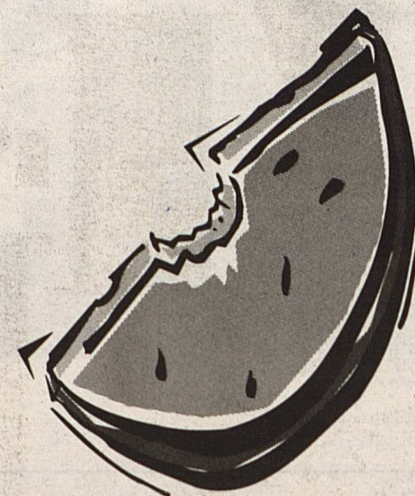
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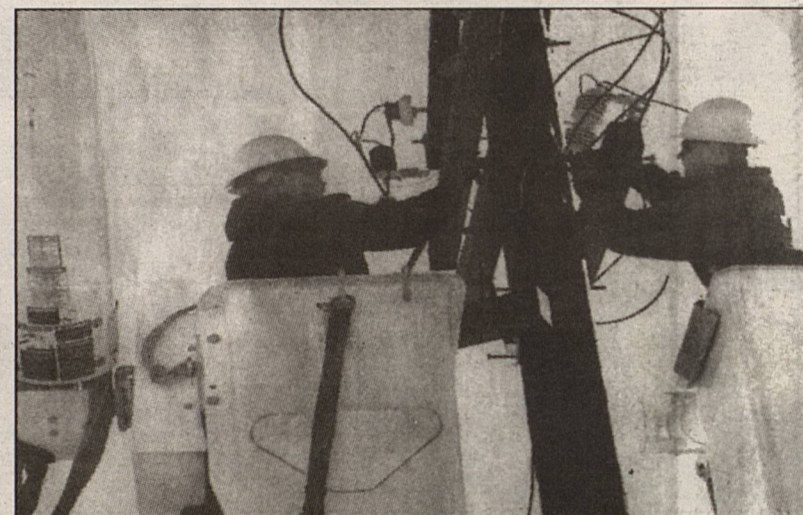
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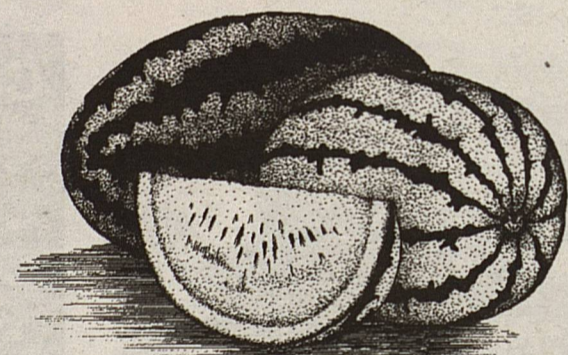
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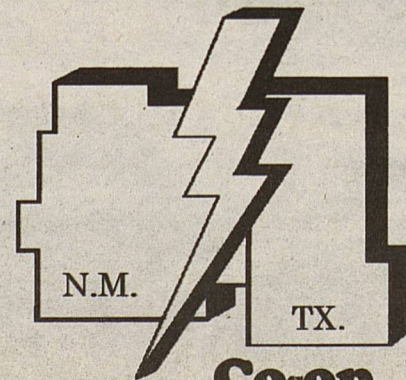
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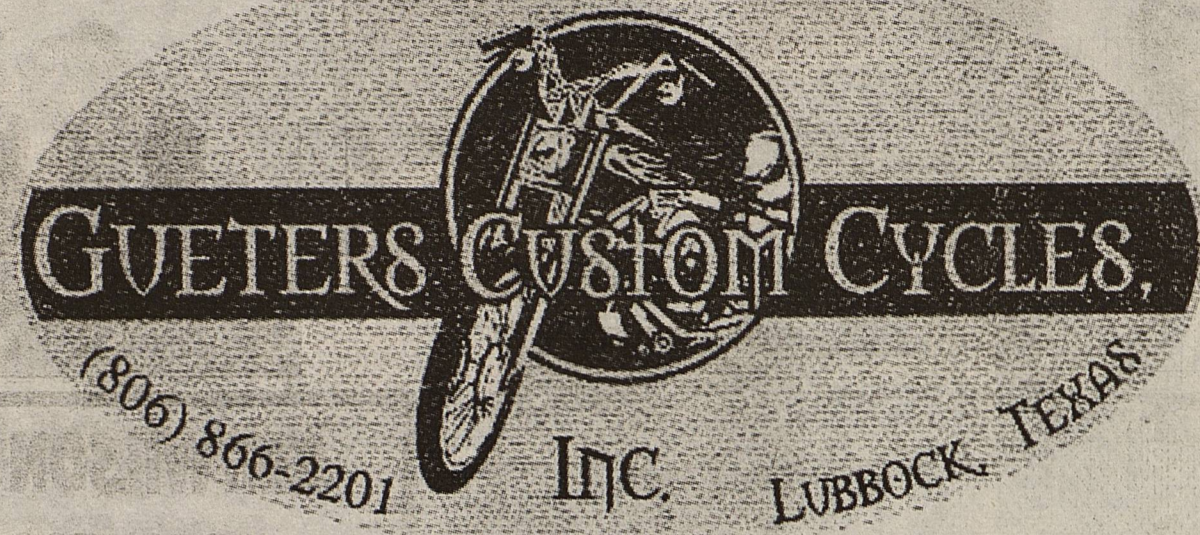


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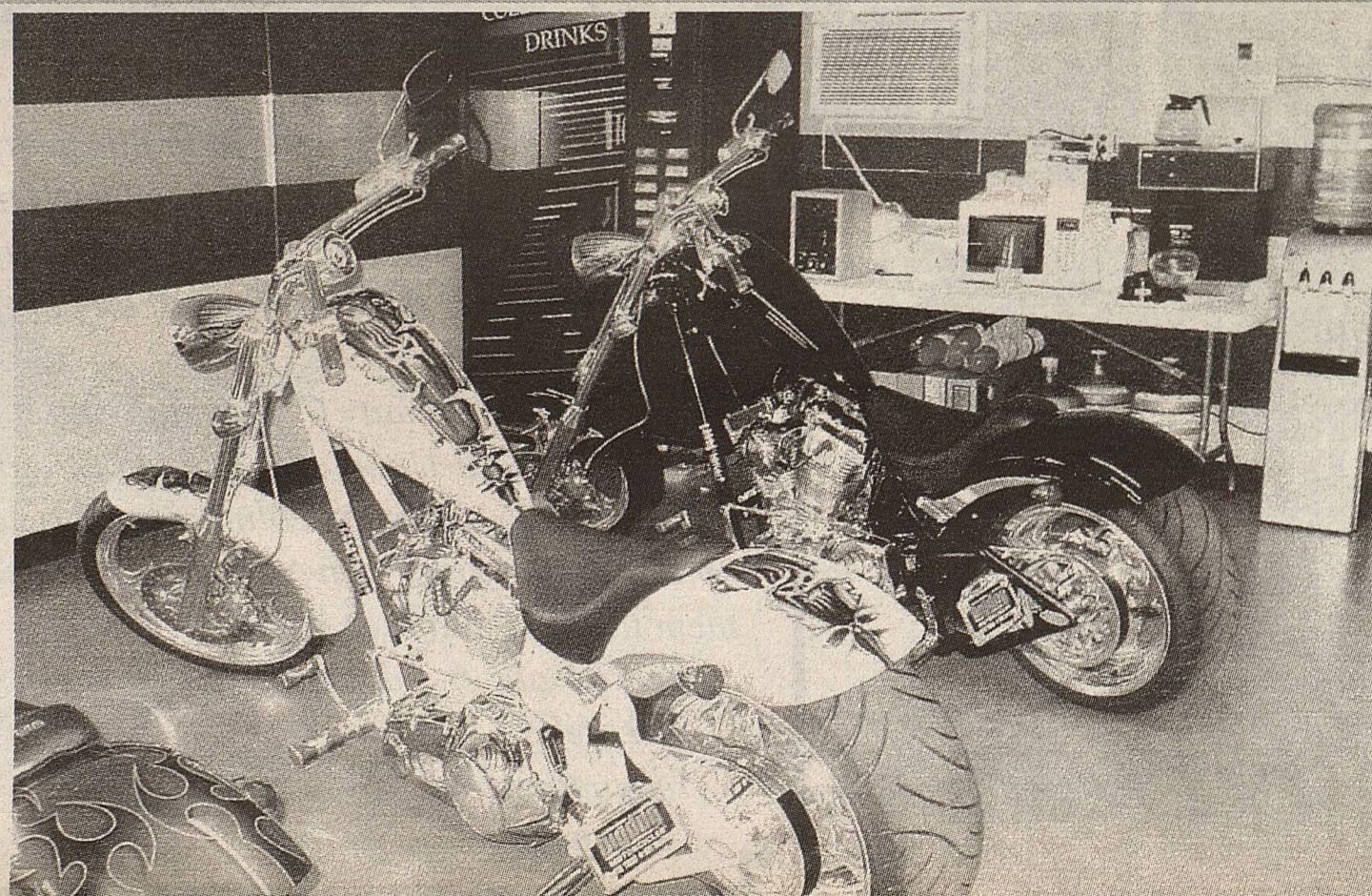
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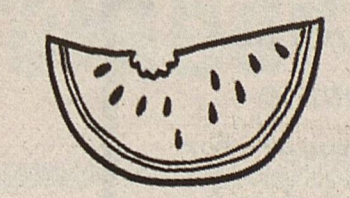
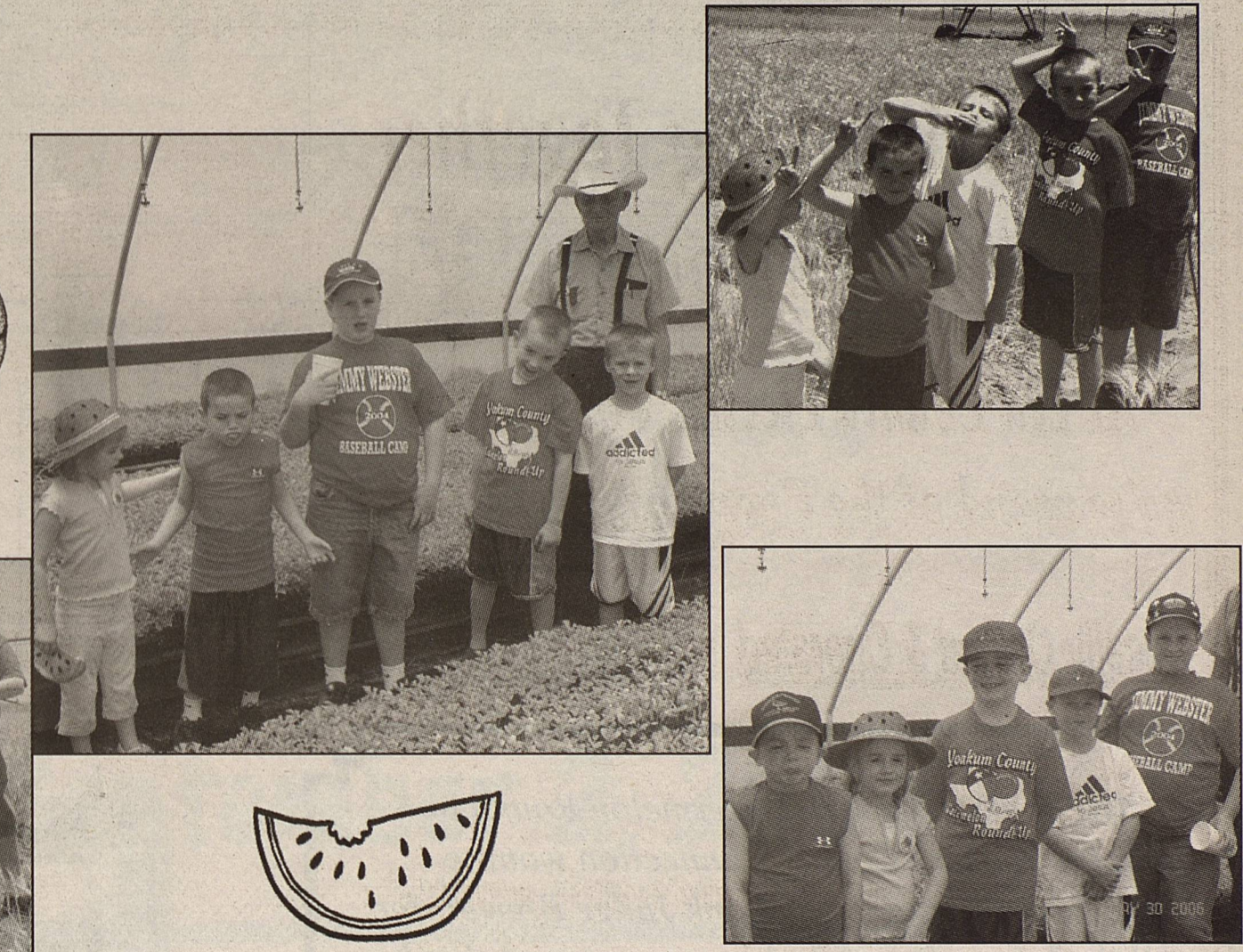
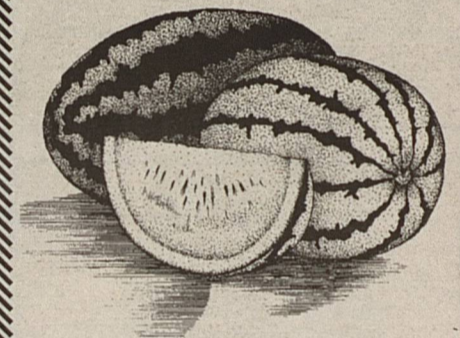
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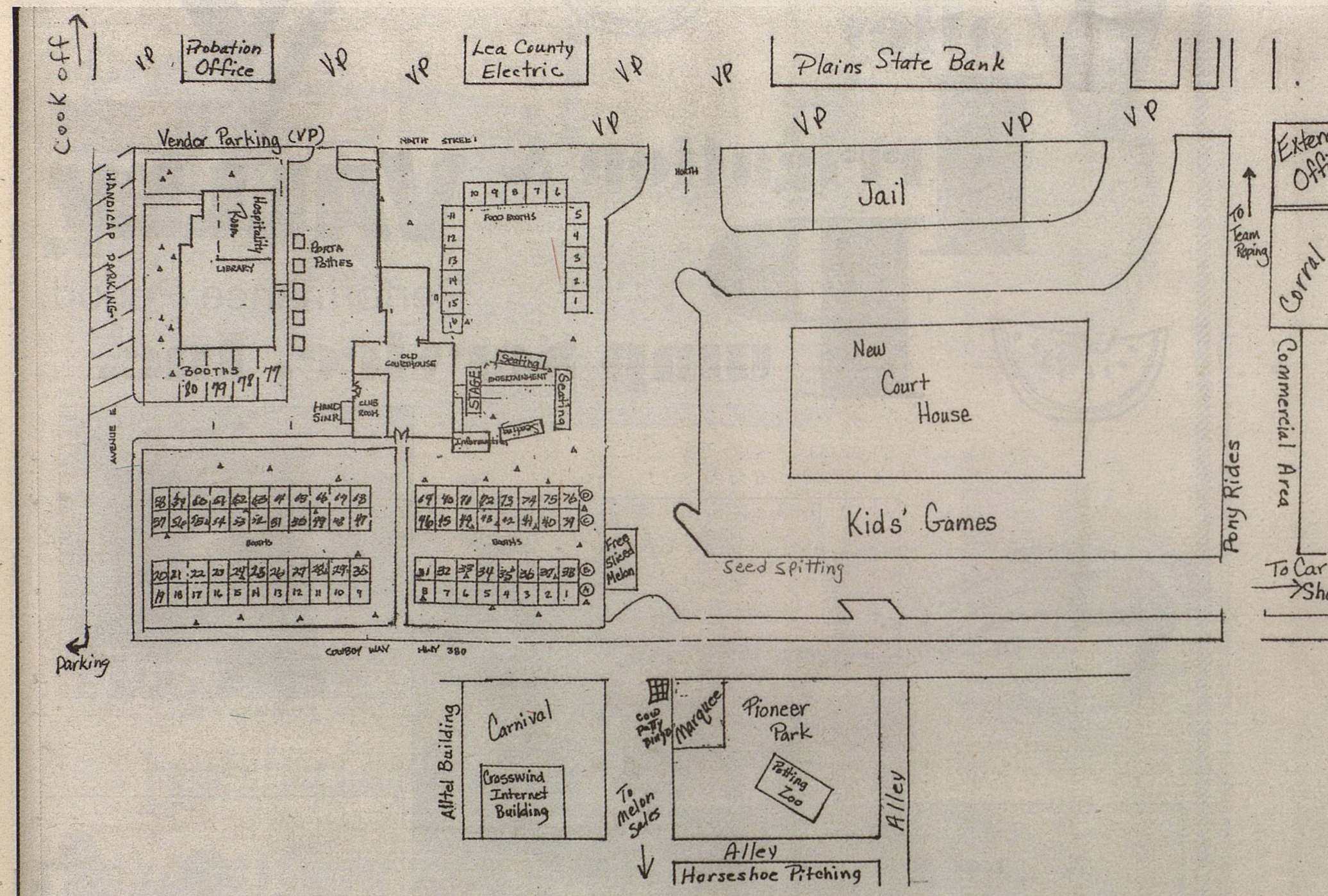
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We would not have been able to be the success that we have been without all the support and ideas that he has contributed.

We sincerely THANK YOU! Judge Brewer, for your support and friendship.
Jeannette Head Chairman



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