## Welcome To The 43rd Annual Rodeo \& Old Settlers Reunion



No matter how you Travel, see you at the Rodeo \& Reunion. Here's a schedule of events you can enjoy August 1 through 3.
If not the premier weekend of the year, the 43rd annual Rodeo and Old Settlers Reunion, starting August 1 , is easily the oldest community sponsored event, once again expected to draw scores of local and out of town visitors.
The busy weekend starts with the first Rodeo performance Thursday evening, August 1, at 8 PM, followed by performances Friday and Saturday at the same time. There will be a cowboy dance each night in the livestock show barn following each rodeo performance, with music provided by The Texas Express band.
The street parade will start Saturday morning at 10AM. Once again, the trek thru town will feature floats, ancient tractors, restored older cars, kids on bikes, candy tossers, and horsemen. The parade will form up in front of the school.
The Old Settlers Barbecue will draw many hundreds of hungry visitors at noon Saturday in Stanford Park, with plenty of barbecued brisket and all the trimmings, cobblers, iced tea and coffee, all for a $\$ 5$ adult ticket $\$ 4$ for children under 12, and will include admission to the Saturday night Rodeo.
The rodeo will be produced by T-N-T Rodeo Co. of Anson. Last years show drew a surprising number of top rated Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association hands, including two former World Champion Team Ropers, Bobby Hurley and Alan Bach, and three time Calf Roping runner up champ Raymond Hollabaugh. In all, 28 PRCA card holders competed here. Events include Bareback, Saddle Bronc and Bull Riding, Calf Roping, Steer Wrestling, Ladies Breakaway Roping, Ladies Barrel Racing, and the always popular Yoakum County Roping Association Membership Ribbon Roping.
An impressive, custom built saddle will be drawn for during the Saturday night Rodeo performance. The three Rodeo Queen Candidates, Dacia Humphrey, Tanya Vasquez and Lindsey Six are still selling \$1 tickets for the drawing, with each ticket sold a vote for the seller.
Those enjoying art will want to take in the events planned by the Yoakum County Art Association members. For those who have made purchase award pledges, selections will be available Wednesday, July 31, from 9AM to 2PM in the Art building. The Art Show and Sale hours are Friday, 1 PM to 6PM, and Saturday, 10AM to 6PM. The Judge for this years Art Show is Caturia (Terry) Watson, a High School Art teacher from Clovis, New Mexico.
There will be many family and school class reunions going on during the three days, something for everyone during the three big days.

## See You $\mathcal{A t}$ These Events:

County Court Meets
Commissioner's Court for Yoakum County met Monday, July 29. Among the agenda items discussed and acted on bids for removing existing lights at the Precinct 2 Little League Baseball Park, and installing new lights, poles and lines. Two bids were received, one from Kay \& Kompany, for a total project cost of $\$ 11,611.90$, and a bid totalling \$7, 802.11 from Ranger Flectric. The from Ranger Court accepted the Ranger Electric bid

Criminal District Attorney Richard Clark reported to the Court his proposal to hire Vicki Blundell as a part time clerk in his office. He reported, "She has some 13 years experience as a legal secretary and is very well qualified for the position." qualle CourtapprovedBlundells part time employment on a part time employment on a
30 hour per week basis. 30 hour per week basis.
Clark stated he would try to Clark stated he would try to
conduct his offices' business conduct his offices' business
with the two present full time deputies and Ms. Blundell in her part time position.

Treasurer Toni Jones reported to the Court the June ending County balance of $\$ 7,019,807$. A Soil Conservation request to leve

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'County Court'


This pastoral scene is farming efforts began typical of what the early take place countywide. and few settlers of the Those first hearty, deterupon daily in the early who first planted their roots 1900's. Grasslands, cattle, here, are the same folks horses, corrals, and we honor this weekend windmills were the chief with the Old Settlers physical assets of most of Reunion and Rodeo. the original old settlers. It Those first settlers shared would be several years the same optimistic hopes later before serious of our agriculture produ-
cers of today, and undoubtedly offered up the same prayer; "Oh Lord, please give us rain, and a fair price for our labors"
This scene was shot in a Hennard Ranch pasture just north of First Street, a scene hundreds of residents glance at daily, without recognizing all its historic significance.

## Wreck Here Could Have Been Worse



Deputy Terry Maynard, C. B. Carpenter \& Pct. 3
Commissioner Jim Barron at crash site.
A two vehicle collision ience Store, Where US here Friday afternoon Highway 82 and State 380 could have been much divide going west. more serious than it was. A small County Chevrolet east of Uncle's Conven- 3 employee Jess Gass,
was attempting to turn left at the intersection, to US 82 enroute to the Precinct barn.
He was struck broadside by an east bound welding pickup belonging to Clay Tank Trucks, Inc., of
Denver City, the impact Denver City, the impact
spinning the County spinning the County
vehicle around 180 devehicle around 180 degrees. Gass was shaken, but unhurt in the collision. He reported he was Only one criminal Cou pickup pulling a trailer case was heard in the which was in the left turn week wisth Court last lane, with it's left turn Moore presiding. Richard signals on. Instead of Clark, Criminal District turning, the pickup and Attorney, represented the trailer continued straight State.
ahead, blocking Gass's Arturo Valverde, 30, on viewfice approaching on probation por a 1994 prior traffice approaching on offense, pled true to the
Hwy. 380 . He failed to see State's motion to revoke the approaching welding probation He was sententhe approaching welding probation. He was sententruck.
No Department of Public Texas Department of Safety officers were readily Criminal Justice Instituavailable when the crash tional division, with occured, and Sheriff substance abuse treatment Department Deputies Terry recommended, was fined Maynard and Lisa Switzer $\$ 1000$, and must pay handled the event until a $\$ 169.50$ in Court costs. DPS officer arrived to He was represented by investigate the collision. Attorney Jerry Corbin.

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## Justice of Peace office requires wearing many hats <br> Move to abolish office statewide

 unlikely to succeed.The House Committee on diction
County Affairs met in misdemeanors punishable Austin last May, to discuss by fine only in his or her potential changes in or precinct, including the abolition of county offices. following; Traffic violations The two most frequently filed by state and county mentioned elective offices officials. Alcohol beverage cited as unnecessary by offenses. Parks and some groups include the Wildlife offenses. Penal of Justice of Peace and the fenses. Education Code Justice of Peace, and the fenses. Education Code Rice of Constable. ffenses. Animal health Representatives from most offenses.
of the elected officials or- "Justice Courts have civi ganizations were present jurisdiction over Justice at the meeting, along with Court and Small Claims representatives of the Court cases. The Court has Texas Association of exclusive original juris Counties.
The following contains tenant disputes. A plaintiff portions of a letter may sue for possession of presented to the House property in Justice Courts. Committee, addressing the "In addition, the Justice of importance of the Justice of Peace also serve as Peace office in Texas, and magistrates for their county. was originally printed in This added responsibility the su responsibility of the Justice. would like to provide you Magistrate duties include; with some of the history of Hold death inquests. the Justice Court system. Magistrate prisoners. Hold King Edward III established hearings for the DPS on the office of Justice of habitual offenders and Peace in 1362. Several suspending driving court precedents were privileges. Issue warrants established by these circuit of arrest for felonies after riding Judges, and many of complaints are filed. Hold their considerations have examining trials and repor come down to what is to grand juries on criminal today called "Common cases. Hold fugitive from "Ww"
"When the American as county registrar for vita colonies were founded, statistics. Perform one of the first offices marriages. Con-duc established was the suspension and denia Justice of Peace. George hearings for DPS Washington is reported to concerning concealed have been a Justice of handgun permits. Issue Peace for a short time. emergency protective "The Texas Constitution of orders when a defendan the Republic in 1836 has been arrested for famestablished the office, and ily violence. Conduc the State Constitution of mental commitment and 1876 firmly affixed the stolen property hearings. office in our State judicial "There are approximately system
"After election and taking 848 Justice of Peace office, the Justice must be volume of cases handled certified by attending a by the Justice Court system New Judge's school, and would inundate the must recertify each year remainder of the Court while in office.
"I would like to go over system were abolished. some of the duties a "If the offices of the Justice must perform. The Justices of the Peace were Justice Courts have juris- abolished, the citizens of

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## Last Rites Held For <br> Vennette Fitzgerald Olenik

Services for Vennette School and attended Wes izgerald Olenik, 33 , of Lubbock was held at 2 p.m. Sunday, July 28, 1996 at the South Plains Church of South Plain Church Christ Church with Ray Christ. She married Nicho Young, minister of the Hill- las M. Olenik on Aug. 31 side Church of Christ in 1985 in Lubbock
Plains, and Les Carey, minister of Idalou Church of Christ, officiating.
Graveside services were held at 5 p.m. in the Plains Cemetery under the direction of Resthaven Funeral Home.

Vennette died Friday, July 26, 1996 at Methodist Hospital.

She was born June 5 1963 in Brownfield. She graduated from Plains High
Texas would be the real losers. The opportunity for citizens to have open and free access to a forum which is vested with the authority to dispose of an issue on their behalf measured in terms of importance".
The letter was composed y Bill Freeman, Legislative Co-Chairman, The Justices of the Peace and Constables' Association of Texas, Inc
Yoakum County citizens are represented by two Justices', Judge Melba Crutcher, Precinct 1, and Judge Kenny Smith Precinct 2. An examination of either of their busy weekly schedule will quickly indicate the very large burden their Justice offices relieve our County and District Courts of.

## Councilman

 Schneider RecognizedCity of Plains Council Member Owen Schneider, in recognition of his commitment to continuing education in the field of municipal government, was a recipient of a Certificate of Recognition at the Texas Municipal Leadership Institute (TMLI) in Midland-Odessa, July 27 This achievement repre-

She was an underwrite for a mortgage loan com pany.

Survivors include he husband; three daughters Meagan, Maudie and Mallory all of the home; her parents Vennum and Judy Fitzgerald
of Plains; her grandmother Pansy Palmer of Plains: brother, Vince Fitzgerald of Rankin; and two sisters Fitzgerald, both of Lubbock.
sented the completion of 42 continuing education unit
(CEU) credits in the (CEU) credits in the past year for the TMLI program. The Institute program is designed to enhance the lead ership and problem solving capabilities of Texas municipal elected officials. Only five (5) Certificates of Recognition were earned statewide.

During the July 27th meeting, Texas Municipal Leadership Institute attendees were offered a session on effective governance, including the topics of defining a city's mission, policy making, and building coalition. Also, round table discussion groups were held to allow for an informal exchange of information among municipal officials from cities of a similar size. Newly elected officials were given special orientation on the basis of effective municipal government.

Nearly 700 elected officials and their spouses attended this series of TMI sessions and other workshops during a three and one-half day educational conference sponsored by the Texas Municipal League, a voluntary association of over 1,000 Texas cities, in cooperation with the Association of Mayors, Council members, and Commissioners, a TMI affiliate. The City of Plains is a member of the Texas Municipal League.

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## District Aide Steps Down

Austin: Debbie Rushing, Walker said. "She is knowtdistrict aide for State Repre- edgeable, efficient and exsentative Gary Walker, ten- tremely dedicated. I wish her dered her resignation effec- all the luck in the work on her tive July 31. all the luck in the work on her
race." Walker said.
II have decided to run race." With the resignation of for Yoakum County Clerk," Rushing, all district matters Rushing said. "I think by will now be handled through stepping down I can devote Walker's Capitol office. All my full attention to the race." concerns and questions can

According to the Texas be routed to State RepresenEthics Commission, there is tative Gary Walker, P.O. Box no ethical conflict with Rush- 2910, Austin, TX 78768-2910 ing remaining on the state or call 512-463-0678. payroll while running for the Representative Walker county office. can still be reached at the "I hate to see Debbie Plains office during the inleave," Representative terim at 806-456-7470

## Criminal Charges Filed Against Driver Causing Two Deaths

Information was received The only occupant of the late last week from Judge Ford pickup was identified Kenny Smith, Justice of as John Lynn Delinges, Peace, Precinct 2, Denver and later stated that he had City, of charges filed by fallen asleep and woke up Criminal District Attorney just prior to the accident. A Richard Clark, against blood specimen was John Lynn Dellinges, a/k/a secured from Dellinges John Lynn Dellings, driver and submitted to the DPS of a vehicle involved in a Lab in Lubbock for two car crash June 7, analysis, which showed resulting in the deaths of Dellinges to have a blood Marlene Cooper St. Clair alcohol concentration of and her husband, Bill Jim 0.07"
St. Clair. The document continued, A complaint detailing the in part, "John Lynn fatal head on crash was Dellinges, defendant, did signed by Complainant then and there recklessly Mike McClure, Sgt., Texas cause the death of an Department of Public individual, namely Bill Jim Safety on July 11 . St. Clair, by the The document read, in introduction of alcohol into part, "On June 7, 1996, the Defendant's body,
Texas DPS Trooper speeding in excess of 70 Texas DPS Trooper speeding in excess of 70
Olegario Rodriguez was miles per hour, and driving notified of a fatal accident on the wrong side of the located at the intersection road." An identical of Highway 214, and document was signed for County Road P14. The the death of Mrs. St. Clair. accident involved a 1996
Ford pickup and a 1990 Ford pickup and a The two vehicles collided head on in the south bound traffic lane of Highway 214. The Ford pickup was headed north in the south bound lane, or wrong side, not passing, at 73 miles per hour. Mr and Mrs Cooper the Mrs. Cooper, the We're so happy Nissan, to be going to were killed in the accident the Rodeolill

High Plains Jr. Rodeo Results olorado City July 4, 5, \& 6 : Blake Parrish won a 9th place for the $8 \&$ Under in Poles. Marcey House won a 4 th place in Squyres held on to a 10th place in the girls 16-19 Breakaway Roping and Brett Squyres won a 9th place in boys $9-12$ Ribbon Roping, a 4th place in the 9-12 Calf Touching and a 3rd place in the 9 12 Steer Stopping.
Kimberly Jackson won a 5 th place in the 8 \& Under Poles and Blake Parrish won a 7th place in the Poles.
Marcey House had her best rodeo, placing in 3 events. She won a 2nd place in the Ribbon Roping, a 5th place in the Poles, Breakaway Roping

Brett Squyres won a 4th place in the boys Breakaway Roping, and Robin Squyres won a 7th place in the Breakaway.
Big Springs, July 18, $19, \& 20$ : Blake Parrish won two- 6 th places in Barrels and Breakaway Roping. Marcey House won a 4th place in the Poles, and a 7th place
in Ribbon Roping. Brett Squyres won a 4th place in Calf Touching, and a 5 th place in Steer Stopping. Big Springs was the final regular season Rodeo. The HPJRA finals begin in Clovis on ednesday, July 24th.

The membership has now ped 500 members.
Saddles will be awarded to ach event winner for the year in
age group. Saddles will go each age group. Saddles will go Reserve winner in each age group. Prizes will be awarded for the year and given through 10th place in each event.
An All-Around Saddle will also be up for grabs for the Finals deo in each age group.

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'County Court'
blow sand on John Gray's property on Section 197 along County Road 4L was approved. Approval was granted to advertise for bids on crushed caliche for use by Precinct 3 for the balance of 1996 and 1997. Approval was granted for the advertising for bids on a new light duty truck for Precinct 3.

Denver City EMS Director Karen Tovar addressed the Court concerning a matching grant request from the state to be used for emergency medical equipment used by EMS in emergency cases. The total amount of the grant request is $\$ 23,196$ half of which the County must fund. Equipment to be purchased for EMS use includes a heart monitor, IV pump regulator, and an oxygen regulator
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After Mother Nature's induced rocky start this growing season, which included hail, crop damaging多 winds, searing heat and drought, the 1996 crop, according to area ginners and cotton experts, looks urprisingly productive.

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Medal at National Tumbling Meet


Christopher Estrada Chris also competed in and his coach, Penny the World Age Group RankGreen, recently went to ing competition which was Phoenix, Arizona to compete held July 9th. He was fifth in the USATT National Tum- overall on double-mini, 9th in bling Meet on July 4-8. He tumbling, and 12 th in tramcompeted in trampoline, poline.
power tumbling, double The south Plains Royal mini-trampoline, and syn- Bounders and his coach chronized trampoline. He Penny Green want to conplaced 2nd on the double- gratulate Christopher on his mini, 3rd in synchronize, success. We are so proud 12 th in power tumbling, and of you!
25 th in trampoline. There We would also like to were over fifty competitors in thank the Plains Community his age group. The meetheld for all of the support through overive hundred competitors. the year!

## Former Resident Makes News In Colorado

The following article tension of the moment, appeared in the July 15 edi- Powell said of his good-nation of the Denver, Colorado tured Texas dialect. "Golf's "Daily Times - Call" Dallas a good game because i Powell is the son of Wilma helps keep your mind off Powell, and brother of Ty some of the bad things that Earl Powell. By Jeff Fleischman some of the bad things that
may have happened during a round. And you've got to knows the Dallas Powell remain positive.
"If you get to looking going to be better than oth- back, and worrying, you're ers on the golf course. just fixing to mess up again,

It's the nature of the Powell added. "This game is game. Or as the 57 -year-old a lot like life. You get one West Texas native puts it, thing going, and something "some days are diamonds, else goes sour. Then you some are just stones."

If that's the case that's the case, something else goes bad Powell was a jewel in Before you know it, you've Sunday's second round of made the complete circle. the Norwest City Golf Championships. Powell shot an the brou've got to figure that 84 at Sunse Golf Course an the breaks of the game will move him Golf Course to even themselves out. Someof Ted Within one stroke times putts drop that division of in the low-net shouldn't have, and some Pow he senior flight. shots work out better than Powell has learned the they should have. That's why game quite rapidly for a man you have to remain on an who didn't pick up a club until even level." age 40. A right-handed by nature, he is often heckled (Ed.'s note) I've had the for his awkward left handed pallas and he usually man swing, and his colorful use ages to stay on an effective of West Texas colloquialisms. even level."
"It really removes the



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## A Letter From Your School System

The 1996-97 school mance. This committee will year will begin very soon. have at least two meetings We are excited at Plains ISD per year and will be comabout having the opportunity prised of 19 members. Reponce again to help educate resentatives on the committhe young people of this tee will serve staggered community. The citizens of three-year terms and will be this school district have con- limited to two consecutive sistently shown tremendous terms. If you would be interinterest in the students and ested in volunteering for the support of their academic District Planning Committee, and extra-curricular activi- please complete the form ties. The results of this in- below. This will be a unique terest have been high per- opportunity for you to play a ormance by our students in direct part in the education of the classroom, at UIL our students--an education events, and in sports. that should prepare each in-

For any school to best dividual to achieve his or her neet the needs of its com- very best and to have skills munity there must be input preparing them to enter the rom parents, individuals work force or higher educa from the community, repre- tion
sentatives from businesses Since membership on in the community, and the committee is limited by school staff. This year there policy, not all volunteers may will be a District Planning be used. However, there will Committee comprised of be other times when interparents, community mem- ested persons' skilis can be bers, business representa- used by the school district. tives, teachers, and admin- We would appreciate your istrators. The overall aim of serious consideration o the committee would be to serving on this committee. improve student perfor
Name
Telephone Number
would like to serve on the District Planning Committee because

## Smoke It Up Line riders the lands traded for construction of the new capitol, must really "smoke it up." A Dallas merchan received an order from the millionacre spread for a whole carload of cigarette papers. According to the merchant, the XIT managethe merchant, the XIT manage-- ment ordered other supplies in the ment ordered other same proportion. same proportion.



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# Temme Friends 




Kelly Bowers traveled with Donna, Candace Bowers Joshua Bell, Alfred Bearden and Faye Bearden to Phoenix, AZ for the Trampoline and Tumbling National Finals meet on July 2 and 3.

Kelly won 2nd in Tumbling and 4th in Trampoline. He was coached by Brent Hood of Hobbs. His cousin, Shirley Rae from Phoenix also attended the meet.

His parents said they were very proud of Kelly's hard work, and said he really missed his teammate Mackenzie Winn this year.

## Chourath Jfor The HEer

Good and upright is the Lord; therefore will he teach sinners in the way.

The meek will he guide in justice; and the meek will he teach his way
keep his coths of the Lord are mercy and truth unto such as keep fis covenant and his testimonies.

## Hey, Ladies!

This is a reminder:
Cobblers will be needed again at the Old Settlers Reunion Saturday, August 3.
Once again, the local Dairy Queen will furnish plastic serving cups for everyone taking a cobbler to the event. When you have your cobbler ready, go to the D.Q. for your cups, or dishes, and fill them before taking them to the Park, or dish it up at the site.
An average size cobbler will only require 10 to 12 cups.

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WHERE; High School Boys Gym

## Card of Thanks

perthaps you sent a lovely card
or sat quietly in a chair,
Perfaps you sent us flowers
if so, we saw them there
If so, we saw them there
Perthaps you spoke the kindest
Perhaps you spoke the kindest
words as any friend could say
words as any friend could say
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Perfaps you were not there at all
just thought of us that day
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food to give us strength and hope
Maybe you lent us a shoulder to
cry on when we could n't cope.
We appreciate aff you did for us,
for letting us know you care
But most of all we Thank Sou
for all your love and prayers.
Sincerety, The family of
Paula and Standy Wiflet

## Our Sincere Condolences to the Fitzgerald and Olenik

families in their time of great loss. Holly \& Gary Dyer and Diane Brown

Senior Citizens Corner
The Plains "Cowboy Coun try News" Editor has a new name for the woeful music of doves Here at Denver City we step ou
side and hear "Peck. Peck" every side and hear "Peck, Peck" every but its roofers putting a new to on our town.

This has been a week of visitors, and all are welcome and in

## vited back.

June is free of her walking shoe and is back at the Center The Hannans have had several o Other visitors were the lvy grandson, Ireta Davis' grandson Bro. Garner, Raymond \& Christin Wood, guests of Sam and Fay Bruton, Brody and Sara Narried and Donna Clark.

Donna is a representative o formative talk on Benefits and Counseling for Seniors, also Guide to Health Insurance. She left pamplets so if anyone wishes to have them, please come by.

On Tuesday, the Senio Companion girls met, and had lunch with us
Upcoming activities:
Mon., Wed., and Fri. we have Line
Dancing at $9: 45$ AM
Thurs. is Gale Ballor
help with insurance claims Lunch everyday at 11:30 AM The Watermelon Festival just a month away. Anyone plan ning to make something for the booth must get busy. Also the
"Friendship" Quilt blocks. Be a friend and Quite blocks. Be Wanda for instructions

See you next week,


Helen Hunter created this western poster, promoting Library room.

## 解arlene's Dress Shop <br> Semi-Annual Clearance Sale <br> New Fall Clothing Arriving Daily <br> Darlene's - BeautiControl Cosmetics 110 N. Main 592-9524 Denver City, TX



## HOWDY: <br> By: Kathy Adair

FAMILIES SHOULD MAKE PLANS TO EAT TOGETHER
Those who eat together also must plan and organize make it happen. For families used to grabbing food and make win pros in front of the tolevision a retum to the family table requires renewed priorities and commitment by all members.

These suggestions can help families plan meals together:

- Start with one meal each week. Make it the top priority whether it is brunch on Saturday or a traditional Sunday dinner. Make sure it is a planned event. Once the family becomes accustomed to one shared meal each week, gradually add a second or third mealtime together.
- Hold a family meeting each week, deciding on the ays and times that will work around children and parents activities and meetings. Write down meals on the family calendar like any other scheduled event.

Build creativity and flexibility into your mealtime lans. At times you may have to replace the " 6 p.m. upper" with dessert around the table at 8 pm . Or eat old sandwiches on the grass at the ballpark.

- Establish rules about proper topics and ppropriate conversation to keep mealtime positive Negative discussions will inevitably lead to conflict.
- Focus on each other, not the food. Allow children - eat until they are full without forcing "one more bite" or a clean plate. Most experts agree that children develop healthy eating attitudes when they can choose from a variety of nutritious offerings - and not by force or coercion.
- Make mealtime fun. Laugh together, share funny stories, celebrate your cultural/ethnic heritage, or start your own silly traditions.

Aside from the joy that mealtime sharing brings oday, parents also will fill their child's memory with the special thoughts that only family togetherness can bring.

## Penny Green's Tumbling

Fall Registration for Plains students Monday, August 5, 5PM - 8PM, at the

Royal Bounders Tumbling Gym (old sheep barn)
Registration $\$ 20$ per student, covers insurance from Sept ' 96 - Sept. ' 97.

## Lesson costs;

One day per wk., 45 min. class $\$ 28$
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Two days wk., $1 \mathrm{hr}, \$ 44$
Two days wk., 1 hr 15 min . $\$ 55$
We will be tumbling on Mondays and Wednesdays this year. Classes begin week of August 19, and in August there will be two weeks of lessons. Parents meeting for recreation students 8 pm , for advanced students 8:30pm, following registration.
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## 6, Cowboy Country News, Weanesday, July 31, 199

## From The Hack

Another golden opportu-
Ano la laws. They contin Ane to pour the frothy stuff aing down the drain, can after
 iday afternoon, looked to make one weep. Stil up, and almost lost control thinking of the media of my pickup. There, before angle, I politely asked if my very eyes, an amazing they could possibly ceas vent was taking place. I their pouring long enough quickly stopped, mouth for me to run home and hanging open in stunned reload the camera
wonder, for there, three law That met with a rather enforcement officials stood, chilly look from all three. each grasping a can of really think I could read beer taken from a goodly Judge Crutcher's mind tack or the story stuff. Yes, true story; Judge or Horn Deputy er Tom Horn, Deputy Marcene Phillips, kn leep in Millers and udweiser! cursed my otten luck, a camera lying by me, a camera with n film:
In, In : my normal jovial ship, just kidding!', an manner, I asked the three hastily returned home, but why they hadn't invited me being very careful to break to the party. I was very no traffic laws quickly informed they were performing an official task, destroying confiscated A of of thos ous bad deeds by breakers dal sheets' the other day


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elling me it might contain a tune prior to the accident inspiration for this column. but now chirps like a It certainly did. Boy, I've canary
been missing out, not Not your type of fun thing? buying the "WEEKLY How about this heading, buying the ") "EML How about thi heading it hits the stands! Ring, Ruins Wedding"?
Consider these fascinating Seems the guy was sec bits found in the July 30 retly in love with the to-be issue; "Fisherman Uses bride, and when asked to Barbie Doll As Bass Lure". present the ring, screamed, and Florida lunk a 14 pound the lanker. No wonder popular all this time I'll bet Jim Brown, Butch Gayle and N.C. Clanahan buy out Barb entire supply of hours of reading this.
Fishing tales don't turn the media the last few
you on? How about "Man of Dirk West cartoonist and Knocks Self Out With Boomerang" The article details how a guy in Ken tucky flung a guy in Kenand had a boomerang, cracking himself in the head. Not so incredible, you say? Maybe... but this claimed the accident occurred on his property and he was covis property, and he was covered by his Homeowners Insurance policy. It also said he won the lawsuit for $\$ 300,000$. We really can't dig too deep in this, but another Dik, with three of his guing headline; "Man hit in and they took a table near groin with softball really mine. opera star". Honest peported he could not carry eported he could not car

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I don't know if the others chronic irregularity (such were just friends, or clients as my East Texas brother of his very successful in law), referring to those advertising agency, but in who couldn't, or could too just minutes, he had the much; Dirk said "All you three guffawing at his tales have to do is sit on a 50 and jokes. The conversa- pound block of cheese, tion was at the level where and eat a mouse at the didn't have to eavescroo same time.. it'll work every and I found myself time, whichever direction laughing along with the your problem lies"
four. Dirk noticed this, On the same radio show, looked at me, said, "I heard another bit which I'm appreciate a guy with a not sure originated with sense of humor", leaned Dirk, but sure sounded like over, and shook my hand. him. Talking of small I spent about twenty more towns, the originator of the minutes listening to the story reported, "My town group, but mainly to Dirk. was so tiny the largest business in town was the 300 pound Avon lady".
In Portland Oregon
would-be bank robber handed a teller a note reading "This is a holdup and l've got a gun. Put the money in a paper bag". The teller wrote back," "' don't have a paper bag!' The robber filed empty handed

## True story.

## Sandyland Pullers *NOTICE*

There will be a driver's meeting for all Pull Contestants at 1:30PM, Saturday, August 1. It is mandatory you be man the contest at 2PM.

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## Plains C of C Meets

The Chamber of Commerce met Tuesday morning at Johnnie's Restaurant. Plans were discussed for the Chamber's role in the Rodeo and Reunion this weekend.

The Reunion Barbecue Saturday, August 3, will see over a ton of briskets slow smoked, over 100 pounds of beans, 200 pounds of potato salad, and scores of fruit cobblers being served.

## * Re-Roofing Proposals *

Plains Independent School District invites interested partie to make proposals for re-roofing the Plains ISD campus facilities The speciried roofing system is polyurethane foam. 1996 at th Business Office. Proposals should be addressed to Eric Banfield Business Manager, 1000 10th St., Box 479, Plains, Texas 79355 For information please contact Eric Banfield at 806-456-7483. Plains ISD Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept reject any and all proposals and to waive all technicalities. Plain ISD reserves the right to contract with the vendor that represents the best value to the district.
*Notice of Public Hearing* The Board of Trustees of the Plains Independent School
District will hold a public hearing on the proposed 1996-97 District will hold a public hearing on the proposed 1996-97
budget. The public hearing will be held on August 12, 1996 at $7: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in the Board room of the Plains ISD Administration Office at 1000 Tenth Street

## *BID NOTICE*

Plains ISD invites interested parties to make proposals for
providing milk for its school lunch program beginning August 13, 1996. Proposals will be received until 11:00AM on August 2, 1996, at the Business Office. Proposals should be 1000 10th Street, Box 479, Plains, Texas, 79355 . Fo questions or other information, please contact Eric Banfield at Blains ISD res. $806-456-7483$.
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represents the best value to the District.

Plains Independent School District will accept bids for cafeteria produce until 11:00AM, August 2, 1996, in the Adminis. Information can be obtained by contacting Fric Banfield Business Manager, Plain ISD, Box 479, Plains, TX 79355, or by calling 806-456-7483.
Produce should be bid for a weekly period from August 12 , 1996, through December 20, 1996, and from January 6, 199 Plains ISD will purchas the Region 17 Education Service Center CoOp with the exception of produce and milk.
Plains ISD Board of Trustees reserve the right to accept or reject any and all bids and to waive all technicalities.

## Local Wins

 In Special OlympicsRandy Barnes, a 33 year-old Plains resident, af filiated with the Lubbock State School, participated in the State level competitions in the Special Olympics held in Austin the week of May 20th.

Randy placed 1st Over all in his division for the 100 m dash and 2 nd Overall in the 400 m relay, bringing home Gold \& Silver medals.

Randy and his team have been honored with an invitation to participate in the Special Olympics World Competition to be held the summer of 1997 in North Carolina. The competition is by invitation only

The Lubbock region of Special Olympics holds competitions year round in 8 different sporting events.

Upcoming events in lude: August - Aquatic Competition; September Softball Competition; Octo ber - Bowling Competition.

To help sponsor an ath ete to the World games, do nations or volunteers should contact Anthony Norman Regional Director - Special Olympics 2402 52nd Suit 1-C Lubbock TX 79412 or call (806) 799-7000.

In furnishing information or this article, Randy's sister, Sandy Meyers of Denver City added, "Our family is very proud of Randy. He ac complished a great deal and enjoyed himself doing so. Randy is a Special Guy and deserves a little recognition I hope to be able to help Randy raise funds to compete in the World games, or maybe help as a volunteer. We support him $100 \%$."

## Busy Ports

The 15 busiest seaports in the U.S. handled 1098 million tons of goods in 1994. Texas' three busiest ports, Houston, Corpus Christi and Texas City handled almost $25 \%$ of that total, almost 267 million tons.


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A Letter To All Elementary Student Parents Dear Parents,
As your $n$
As your new elementary school principal, I would like to extend a welcome to each of you to come and visit
with me as time allows. I began my duties on Monday, July 8 and have been very impressed with the students with me as time allows. I began my duties on Monday, July 8 and have been very impressed with the students,
teachers and community members I have had an opportunity to meet. Please be assured of my dedication to continue the positive trends and high expectations held for all. I am also very pleased with the quality of the personnel at Plains Elementary.

We have an exciting opportunity this school year to possibly offer a pre-kindergarten class. If you have a child Who is four years old or will be on or prior to September 1, please call this office for more information. It is mos
difificult to project the enrollment until school has been in session for a few days. State law allows us to offer this class to those students who qualify. Our minimum class size must be fifteen students.
Our Kindergarten class currently has twenty six students pre-registered for the 1996-97 school year. This seems to be a small group of students compared to the rest of our class sizes. As you may know, our philosophy has been to maintain a low pupilteacher ratio

Because of the uncertainty of the Pre-k and the lack of pre-registration in the kindergarten level, we are no placing children in these classes prior to the beginning of school. The first four days we are going to have the students come to school and attend class as a group. Please do not send supplies with your child. When we gather enough information concering student registration, we will make classroom assignments by Friday, Augus
PLEASE OBSERVE THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE:
August 13-16 Pre-k 7:45 (for breakfast) or 8:10-11:15
Students will eat lunch at school. Parents, please pick your child up at 11:15 each day
August 13-16 Kindergarten 7:45 (for breakfast) or 8:10-1
Students will eat lunch at school. We will deliver the students home after lunch
August 13-16 Grades 1-4 School will begin and end at the regular time
Class lists for grades $1-4$ will be posted on the entrance doors of the
school on Friday, August 9 at 3:00 hoose to make a request. (See printed parent requests for the $1996-97$ school year. I have included a form if you Thank you for your
yor your understanding and patience!
Plains Elementar Sch

## Dear Parents,

Room assignments for students are determined by the school principal with the assistance of the classroom teach ers. On occasion, parents feel compelled to request a particular teacher. Those requests will be considered wever, the following applies to all requests
en requests must be received by noon on Augus 8 , 1996
2. Requests will be considered only after the following criteria has been established
A. An ethnic balance can be established for each class.
B. Male/Female balance can be established for each class
C. A heterogeneous grouping of abilities can be established for each class.
E. Teacher recommendations for pupil placement have been considered.

Although we cannot guarantee your request will be honored, we will make every attempt to place your child where he/she will receive the best educational opportunities possible. Each request will be considered carefully. We wil o our best to comply with your wishes.
PLEASE CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING REQUEST FOR MY CHILD
1ST CHOICE
REASON FOR REQUEST:
STUDENTS NAME
(FOR THOSE PARENTS WHO HAVE ALREADY MADE A REQUEST, PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM AND RETURN IT TO ME.)


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## BCI Tournament Draws Huge Field

 Local Girls Perform Well


#### Abstract

The recent Basketball high school girl hoopsters. against teams from Oregon Congress International (BCI) Locals Kyley Bearden, a (2), Austin, the South Coast Girls Summer Prep basket- PHS senior, and Kayla Detroit, Mich., and ball tournament in Lubbock Redman, PHS sophomore, Duncanville, compiling a 3 drew a total of 74 compet- were selected to compete and 3 record ing teams from the Prep with the 'Lubbock Hustlers', Congratulations to school ranks of players from a girls team from South Kyley and Kayla for their sedozens of states. Each team Plains area schools. The lection to compete in the BCl


 consisted of eight to twelve Hustlers played six games tournament.

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come by the high school on come by the high school on
the specified dates to conthe specified dates to con-
firm their schedules for the irm their schedules
1996-97 school year.

Mr. Alexander and Mr. O'Quinn will be available to visit with students and hopefully resolve any problems that there may be. Students who are unable to attend at the scheduled time should see Mr. O'Quinn on Friday, August 9, between 8 a.m. and p.m.

Monday, August 5
1-3 p.m. Seniors
Tuesday, August 6 -1-3 p.m. Juniors Wednesday, August 7 -
1-3 p.m. Sophomores Thursday, August 8 -1-3 p.m. Freshmen



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