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Howard Day To Be Observed June 14-15

Cross Plains annual Howard Day observance will be marked this year with a number of activities planned for Friday and Saturday, June 14 and 15.

Robert E. Howard, fantasy writer and creator of Conan, The Barbarian, made his home in Cross Plains from 1919 until his death in 1936. The Howard home, which is owned and maintained by the Project Pride group, served as both home and office for Howard during this period. This year marks the 60th anniversary of his death.

A large number of out of town people are expected to be in Cross Plains for this event. Members of ROBERT E. HOWARD PRESS ASSOCIATION (REHUPANS), some from other countries, will be here. Persons involved in the making of the movie, THE WHOLE WIDE WORLD, will be sharing the latest developments. The movie is based on Novalyne Price Ellis' biography of Howard, ONE WHO WALKED ALONE.

A dinner is scheduled at the Community Center on Friday evening. Tickets for the dinner are \$8.00 and will be available at the Citizens State Bank, Greenwood Insurance and the Library.

On Saturday morning you are invited to visit the Cross Plains Library to see original manuscripts and first edition WEIRD TALES and books. There, too, you may purchase current publications of Howard's work and of Ellis' ONE WHO WALKED ALONE.

In the afternoon the Post Office will be offering a commemorative cancellation. Anything with a postage stamp affixed may receive this special cancellation. At 2:30 p.m. the Howard House will be open for public tours, refreshments and visitation. During free hours throughout the day you can enjoy sidewalk sales, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, sample good food and shop for Howard memorabilia.

Make plans now to be in Cross Plains to greet old friends and make new ones on this festive weekend.

Colonial Oaks Services

First Baptist will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, April 21, commencing at 3:30 p.m.

Pre-Registration For Kindergarten Conducted Monday, April 22

Parents are asked to pre-register their children who will enter Kindergarten next fall. All children who will be five years of age on or before September 1, 1996 may attend Kindergarten. Kindergarten is a basic part of the Cross Plains School system and the service is available to all students.

Kindergarten screening will be conducted Monday, April 22 at Cross Plains Elementary School. Please call the Elementary Principal's office at 725-6123 to make an appointment for your child. The screening will take about sixty minutes. Each student's hearing, vision, speech, motor skills, language ability, and developmental growth will be evaluated at this time. Parents will be given a report on their children's progress at the time of the screening.

Cottonwood Musical Friday To Benefit CMN

The Cottonwood Quilting Club is hosting a benefit for the Children's Miracle Network on Friday, April 19, at the Cottonwood Community Center.

The ladies will be serving chipped barbecue plates with all the trimmings beginning at 5:30 p.m. Musical entertainment will commence at 6:00 p.m. with Smokey Callaway Emcee.

Everyone is encouraged to come out and have a good time and support a worthy cause for the children of this area.

Early Voting Began Mon. April 15

Monday, April 15, was the first day of early voting in the City Council and Cross Plains I.S.D. Board of Trustees election. Early voting will extend through Tuesday, April 30, at the Cross Plains City Hall from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (closed during the noon hour).

Registered voters may vote early for their convenience, prior to the Saturday, May 4, election date.

Softball League Work Day Set

Saturday, April 20, the Girls Softball League will have a work day starting at 9:00 a.m. All parents of players are encouraged to help.

Please bring the following items if available: lawn mowers, rakes, weed eaters. Your help will be appreciated.

Girls Softball season begins Monday, April 22.

Athletic Booster Club To Meet Mon., April 22

The Cross Plains Athletic Booster Club will meet on Monday, April 22, at 5:30 p.m. at the City Hall to discuss the Athletic Banquet.

LAST CHANCE!! If members are not present the Athletic Banquet will be cancelled.

Parents are reminded that to enter school in Texas the student must have a state approved birth certificate and a current immunization record. Immunization requirements include: four in a series of DTP and/or a booster after age 4, oral polio series, measles, mumps, and rubella. Please bring the birth certificate, immunization record, and social security number at the time of registering.

Early childhood screening will be conducted at the same time as regular Kindergarten screening. The early childhood program is to help those children age 3-6 who show to be developmentally delayed or handicapped in any way. If you have, or know of a child who might benefit from this service, please contact the elementary school office during Kindergarten registration.



REPRESENTATIVES FROM WTU SPEAK AT CHAMBER MEETING—Sylvia Knezek (from left), Linda Canton and Travis Williams.

Chamber Of Commerce Meets

The Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce held its quarterly membership meeting last Thursday at the Dairy Queen. A large group gathered to hear updates on Chamber activities and projects.

The speaker for the meeting was Sylvia Knezek, Business Development Specialist for WTU. Ms. Knezek was joined by her associate, Linda Canton of WTU's Community Relations Department. Ms. Knezek spoke on the challenges and opportunities facing rural communities. She offered examples of activities that have yielded benefits in other rural communities in the area around Abilene. "Regional efforts, such as

the Texas Midwest Community Network, should be utilized as much as possible since the combined efforts of many communities can yield greater results than one working alone," she said. Ms. Knezek also encouraged the Chamber to be involved in a Rural Leadership program that is the development stages for Callahan and Eastland Counties. Also at the meeting, Steve Mack, Chamber President welcomed seven new members to the Chamber. The new members are: Cross Plains Grain & Peanut, Jean's Feed Barn, Connie Kirkham, Dub Meador, Ray Purvis, Jack Scott and Leo Thompson.

"C.P. Clean-up Days" Set For April 27-29

The weekend of April 27-29 has been designated "Cross Plains Clean Up Days" in Cross Plains. Residents are encouraged to begin now doing extra cleaning in and around their homes and businesses.

BFI will be here on Monday, April 29, to pick up trash and other unwanted items too large for regular Wednesday service. Everything should be moved to curbside by 7:00 a.m. as these trucks will run only one

day. If you need help getting large items moved, you may call 725-6114 and arrangements can be made.

Downtown merchants are replacing their old planters with new attractive flower pots. If you have not done so, these may be obtained from Higginbotham's, Koenigs or Lawrence Farm and Ranch Supply.

Everyone is invited to join in this community effort and keep our city clean and attractive.

Buck-Out, Cook-off and Dance Set For Saturday, April 27

Make plans now to attend the Cross Plains Roping Club Annual Buckout, Cook-Off, and Dance on Saturday, April 27.

The days events will begin with the Cook-Off judging at 3:00 p.m. Categories are brisket, ribs, chicken, chili, and beans. Call in entries until 5:00 p.m. Friday, April 26, at (817) 725-7777 or 725-6545. Enter in person by 9:00 a.m. April 27 at the arena.

Entry fees are \$20 per event or \$75 for all. Cash awards to the winners are 1st place - 30 percent; 2nd place - 20 percent; and 3rd place - 10 percent. Jackpot bean winner is awarded 70 percent of the total entry fees. Plaques for showmanship and friendliest cook will also be awarded.

The Bull Buckout begins at 7:00

p.m. Books open on Monday, April 22, to enter call (915) 854-2436 from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. There will be 30 head, take top 5 back to short go. \$500 added money and \$100 bounty bull. A first place Montana Silver-smith buckle will be awarded as well as the "Hard Luck Cowboy" plaque. Entry fees are \$50 and must be paid by 6:30 p.m. April 27.

At 6:30 p.m., prior to the Buckout, there will be Mutton 'Bustin' for kids 8 and under. A buckle will be awarded to the winner. Entry fee is \$5, first 10 entries taken at 6:15 p.m.

To wind up the day, come dance under the stars to the music provided by the "Texas Connection." The dance begins at 9:00 p.m., admission is \$5 per person.

High School Prepares For Regional In Track

By COACH BILL BOYD

The Cross Plains Buffaloes and Lady Buffs battled both terrific competition and horrible wind conditions at the District 10-A Track and Field Meet held in Stephenville at Tarleton State University's Memorial Stadium Thursday, April 11. The Cross Plains High School athletes gave their all throughout the day pushing themselves to be their best.

In the girls division, Cross Plains was nudged out of second place by Hico by two points. The Lady Buffs finished 3rd at district giving them five consecutive years to finish in the top three spots in district competition. The Lady Buff Track Tradition rolls on! The District 10-A girls results were:

Team Totals: Crawford - 103; Hico - 74 1/3; Cross Plains - 72 1/3; Meridian - 65; Eula - 62 1/3; Bosqueville - 58; Gorman - 51; Evant - 44; Lometa - 31; Santa Anna and Rising Star - 13.

800 m Run: Donna Besselaar - 3rd, 2:50.15
100 m Hurdles: Ashley Beggs - 6th, 18.34
100 m Dash: Misty Strickland - 3rd, 13.01

800 m Relay: Laura Ricci, Whitney Giles, Whitney Kirkham, Misty Strickland - 3rd, 1:59.30
400 m Dash: Whitney Kirkham - 1st, 67.99
300 m Hurdles: Laura Ricci - 5th, 55.01

1600 m Relay: Ashley Beggs, Elizabeth McCarty, Whitney Giles, Donna Besselaar - 6th, 4:59.43
Shot Put: Malysa Sowell - 2nd, 33' 3/4"
High Jump: Laura Ricci - 1st, 5'2";

Whitney Giles - tie 4th, 4'10"
Discus: Malysa Sowell - 2nd, 111'9"

Long Jump: Whitney Kirkham - 3rd, 15'1/4"
Triple Jump: Laura Ricci - 5th, 32'9 1/2"

Regional qualifiers are those who finished either first or second at district competition. Third place finishers are alternates to the region.

Malysa Sowell (shot and discus), Whitney Kirkham (400 m dash), and Laura Ricci (high jump) will represent District 10-A at Abilene April 26-27 at the Region II-A Track Meet. Misty Strickland (100 m dash), Donna Besselaar (800 m run) and the 800 m relay team Laura Ricci, Whitney Giles, Whitney Kirkham, and Misty Strickland, are all alternates.

Although complete boy's results are not available at this time, Cross Plains will be represented at the Regional Meet by Justin Richey. He won the 800 m run by more than a full second running a 2:08.52 time.

Other Buffalo results include:
3200 m Run: Roger Pope - 6th, 11:52.21
300 m Hurdles: Nathaniel Swift - 5th, 44.03
200 m Dash: Jody Fortune - 5th, 24.12
1600 m Run: Justin Richey - 5th, 5:15.18

1600 m Relay: Jody Fortune, Nathaniel Swift, Brandon Stover, Kevin Nickerson - 5th, 3:43.95

Coaches Boyd, Starcher, and McLean want to thank the community fans, administration, and the athletes for supporting the 1996 track program. Let's encourage and back these kids for regional and state achievements!!

CTO To Distribute Non-USDA Food Items Friday, April 19

Central Texas Opportunities, Inc. will distribute non-USDA food items in Callahan county at Callahan County Multi-Purpose Center located at 701 E. 8th Street, Cross Plains, on Friday, April 19, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

CTO, Inc. has no control over what items are available or the quantity of the items. Central Texas Opportunities, Inc. is an equal opportunity provider without regard to race, color, age, sex, disability, political belief, religion, or national origin. Shut-ins are encouraged to designate an authorized representative to pick up for them. Volunteers are needed and their assistance would be appreciated to help with this much needed program. Donations of sacks would also be appreciated.

Immunizations To Be Given At Cross Plains Elementary Today

Columbia One Source Health Center formerly Cross Plains Medical Center, will be holding an Immunization Clinic on Thursday, April 18, from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Cross Plains Elementary School.

Any child in our school district may be immunized or may "catch-up" on any immunizations they may need.

There was a reported case of measles in our school and we are making sure all children needing the MMR will receive this immunization. A parent or legal guardian must give consent for immunization to be given.

Immunizations will be given for the low price of one dollar (\$1) per immunization.

CTO, Inc. has received approval to distribute non-USDA food items and this is the first month that food items will be distributed since the program shutdown back in November or 1995. Only persons that were recertified during recertification held in November for those people in Cross Plains, Clyde, Baird, and Putnam will qualify for this month's distribution. Other persons interested in signing up to receive non-USDA food items should contact the Callahan County Multi-Purpose Center during regular office hours. The phone number is (817) 725-7698. Office hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

C.P. STUDENT REVIEW



CROSS PLAINS ELEMENTARY RECIPIENT OF CASH AWARD—Margie Sowell receives \$100 Classroom Cash from WTU manager, Travis Williams.

WTU Awards \$100 To C.P. Elementary

West Texas Utilities has awarded \$100 to Cross Plains Elementary. The award is part of cooperative effort between WTU and the Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce. WTU awards the money under a program called Classroom Cash. The Chamber identifies the program at the school that the award will be utilized

for. Last year, the award went to the Cross Plains Ag Education program. WTU manager, Travis Williams presented the \$100 check to Cross Plains Elementary School principal, Margie Sowell, at the Chamber of Commerce membership meeting last week.

School Lunch Menu

APRIL 22 - APRIL 26
(Subject to Change)

BREAKFAST

MONDAY — Choice of dry cereal, toast, grape juice and milk.
TUESDAY — Sausage/egg Burrito, orange juice and milk.
WEDNESDAY — Cinnamon toast, apple juice and milk.
THURSDAY — Pancake, bacon, grape juice and milk.
FRIDAY — Oatmeal, toast, orange juice and milk.

LUNCH

MONDAY — Corn dog, fries, pickles, cake and milk.
TUESDAY — Chili beans, spinach, cornbread, peach halves and milk.
WEDNESDAY — Chicken casserole, green peas, pineapple chunks, crackers and milk.
THURSDAY — Chalupas, corn, salad, pear halves and milk.
FRIDAY — Submarine sandwich, lettuce/tomato salad, pickles, fries, cookie and milk.

Junior High Girls Win Second At Dist. Track Meet

It took two days and two trips to Gorman High School, but the Cross Plains Junior High Girls completed the District 10-A West Zone track and field competition in second place.

The first day (April 4) was cancelled towards the end of the events due to lightning in the area. The Cross Plains Junior High girls went back to Gorman on Tuesday (April 9) to conclude the meet.

Eula, which is moving to Class AA next year, won the district with its depth, but could only nudge the Lady Buffs by 10 points for the title, 179-169.

The girls competed very well in all areas of the meet scoring points in all 16 events. Coach John Starcher was very pleased with results saying, "I'm proud of these young ladies! All year long they have responded to whatever has been asked of them and always gave their best efforts. They have a great future in front of them."

In the "B" girls division, Cross Plains finished as runner-up scoring 82 points. Only eight girls made up the squad to score that many points. "These girls worked all season to participate at this meet, and they represented Cross Plains well," Starcher said.

Results of the district meet are as follows:

"A" Girls Totals: Eula - 179; Cross Plains - 169; Santa Anna - 115; Gorman - 72; Rising Star - 36.

3200 m Run: Jennifer Turner - 2nd, 10:46.18; Mary Jo Nickerson - 6th, 11:57.66

400 m Relay: Dani Priesman, Jennifer Turner, Vanessa Webb, Ann Stephenson - 4th, 59.97

800 m Run: Brittany Bennett - 3rd, 2:55.09

100 m Hurdles: Brandi Richey - 1st, 17:31; Tabby Clark - 4th, 19.71; Nikki Bushnell - 6th, 20.99

100 m Dash: Ann Stephenson - 5th, 13.69

800 m Relay: Jodi Payne, Ann Stephenson, Christy Beaty, Vanessa Webb - 3rd, 2:08.46

400 m Dash: Tabby Clark - 4th, 73.42

300 m Hurdles: Brandi Richey - 1st, 52.23; Nikki Bushnell - 5th, 65.50; Tabby Clark - 6th, 67.34

200 m Dash: Jodi Payne - 2nd, 30.50

1600 m Run: Brittany Bennett - 3rd, 6:45.65; Jennifer Turner - 4th, 6:58.19

1600 m Relay: Jodi Payne, Vanessa Webb, Christy Beaty, Brandi Richey - 2nd, 4:42.88

Triple Jump: Brandi Richey - 1st, 29'4 1/4"; Jodi Payne - 4th, 26'2 1/2"

High Jump: Christy Beaty - 4th, 4'0"

Shot Put: Jennifer Brame - 1st - 26'5"; Amber Wilson - 2nd, 25'10 1/2"; Nikki Bushnell - 3rd, 23'9"

Long Jump: Brandi Richey - tie 3rd, 13' 7 1/2"

Discus: Jennifer Brame - 1st, 86'6 1/2"; Amber Wilson - 3rd, 62'2"; Tabby Clark - 4th, 60'1"

"B" Girls Totals: Eula - 297; Cross Plains - 82; Rising Star - 50; Gorman - 6

400 m Relay: Melinda Richardson, Lindsey Barnett, Stephanie Childress, Ashlee Hutchins - 2nd, 63.41

100 m Hurdles: Melinda Richardson - 3rd, 22.18

100 m Dash: Alisa Hail - 6th, 14:15

800 m Relay: Melinda Richardson, Stephanie Childress, Lindsey Barnett, Ashlee Hutchins - 2nd, 2:23.28

200 m Dash: Lindsey Barnett - 2nd, 31.97

High Jump: Lindsey Barnett - tie 2nd, 3'10"

Shot Put: Stephanie Childress - 3rd, 20'6"; Misty Kelly - 6th, 19'11 1/4"

Long Jump: Lindsey Barnett - 2nd, 11'6"; Melinda Richardson - 3rd, 11'1"

Discus: Lindsey Merion - 4th; Stephanie Childress - 6th

Tournament For Regional Qualifiers Held

The Cross Plains Regional Qualifiers for tennis were in Brownwood Saturday for a tournament only for people who placed as high as 3rd place at district. Two team members made finals but once again the 1st place medal eluded these two team members. Mindy Mitchell faced Brownwood's number one singles player in finals and took her to 3 sets before being beaten and placing second in tournament.

Jarad Richards played Priddy in finals. His opponent was 1/2 of their doubles team who won state last year. It was a long match that finally ended in 2 sets with Priddy the winner.

Complete results were
Girls Singles
Kati Hetmainczyk lost to Mullin (4-6) (1-6), lost to Rochelle (4-6) (1-6); Mindy Mitchell beat Mullin (6-0) (6-0);

Finals lost to Brownwood (2-6) (7-5) (3-6)

Boys Singles
Jarad Richards beat Rochelle (6-4) (6-0), beat Comanche (6-1) (6-1); Finals lost to Priddy (5-7) (6-7)

Boys Doubles
Scott Brame and Joe Hopkins lost to Rochelle (7-6) (6-1), lost to Brownwood (1-6) (2-6)

Team members will be working out for regional competition April 24 and 25 in Abilene at Hardin Simmons.

Order of Events are:
Wednesday, April 24 - 9:00 - 1st round of boys singles - 10:30 - 1st round of girls singles - 3:00 - quarter finals boys and girls singles.

Thursday, April 25 - 9:00 - Semi-finals - boys and girls singles - 12:00 - finals and 3rd place.

C.P.I.S.D. Board Of Trustees To Meet Tonight

The Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains School District will hold a regular meeting at 8:00 p.m. at the high school building faculty work room on Thursday, April 18.

The following agenda will be addressed:

1. Meet with Athletic Booster Club Members
2. Open Forum
3. Approve Transfer Students for 96/97 School Year
4. Open Meeting in Regard to Title I and Title II Federal Programs
5. Approve Participation in Title I and Title II Federal Programs for 96/97 School Year
6. Approve Participation in the Multi-Regional Food Purchasing Co-Op for 96/97 School Year
7. Approve Participation in the Drug Dog Program for 96/97 School Year

8. Consider Approval for Summer Program for At-Risk Students

9. Approve Copy Machine Lease Agreement

10. Cheerleader Camp A. Site/Date

B. Sponsors for Camp

11. Executive Session (if needed)

12. Action to Follow Executive Session (if needed)

13. Personnel

A. Auxiliary Personnel for 96/97 School Year

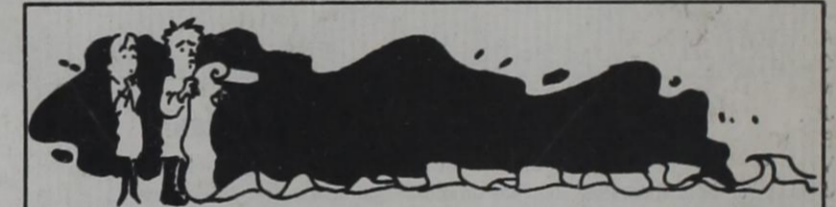
B. Secretaries and Aides for 96/97 School Year

C. Other Personnel Matters as Necessary

14. Pay Bills/Financial Report

15. Adjourn

Notice of the meeting was given by M. Lee Thompson, Superintendent.



Scientists recorded nearly 10,500 kinds of organisms in a deciduous forest in Switzerland.

Deadlines For The Cross Plains Review Articles Must be Turned In Mondays By Noon (No Exceptions)

Advertisements Must Be In Tuesdays By 5:00 p.m. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

It's Dangerous Being A Teenager

HOUSTON—It's dangerous to be a teenager.

Four leading risk categories make the teen years especially fraught with hazards said an adolescent medicine expert at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

"Drinking alcohol while doing other activities, failure to use safety devices, access to firearms, and sports are the big four," said Dr. Albert C. Hergenroeder, chief of adolescent and sports medicine at Baylor and Texas Children's Hospital.

Statistics seem to confirm what most of us already know -- teenagers think they are immortal.

Consider that:
* Nineteen percent of teens rarely use a seatbelt.

* Forty percent fail to wear helmets while riding motorcycles; 95 percent don't use bicycle helmets.

* Twenty-two percent of teens carry weapons; nearly one-third are guns.

* Thirty percent of teens had at least five alcoholic drinks at one time recently, while 35 percent rode with a teen drinker.

Besides the risk for car accidents, teen drinkers are more prone to engage in unsafe sex and other dangerous behaviors.

* Seventy-two percent of all teen deaths are due to violence or accidents: 19 percent are murders, 11 percent are suicides, and 12 percent

are from injuries.

"It really is frightening," said Hergenroeder, himself the father of pre-teens. "But I'm surprised the statistics are not higher."

Hergenroeder partially blames a world that has become increasingly more violent. In the 1940's, school "dangers" for teens included being caught chewing gum, running in the hallways or wearing improper clothing. Today's teen must contend with drug abuse, date rape and assault.

What's a parent to do?
Talk, inquire and wait, suggests Hergenroeder.

"Don't wait for them to talk to you," he said. "Talk with them first. Many parents fall for the 'not my child' myth, and fail to realize their teen could be engaging in risky behavior."

When talking, ask specific, sometimes blunt, questions: What do you do for fun? Do you drink and drive? Do your friends? If your teen's behavior is not risky, congratulate them.

Next, give it time. Behavior cannot be changed overnight. Also, don't try to solve the problem as it is occurring.

"Talking to your teen about the dangers of drinking when they are still drunk is useless. Approach them later," he said.

Hergenroeder urges parents not to give up.

"Even the best teenagers will do dangerous things," he said.



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MELISSA LUTER
JUSTIN DICKSON
JOSE REYES
BROCK COOPER
LARA JACQUES
MYKEA DOUGLASS
KRISTIN WELLS
JOSHUA PURVIS
KAREN SCOTT
RUSSELL THOMAS

2ND GRADE
GARRETT STEPHENS
ASHLEY HALL
LEVI WOOTEN
JARRAH HUTCHINS
REBA ROGERS
JAIMIE LOVE
CLAYTON THOMAS
SAMANTHA HUTTON
FORREST CREAMER
MEGAN THOMAS
BRITTANY ADAMS
WILLIAM BEAUCHAMP
JESSE NORRIS
CHANGE WATKINS
RYAN PAYNE

3RD GRADE
DAYNA BENNETT
JOHN BENNETT
TIFFANY BESSELAAR
BRENTON MCNUTT
JIMMIE COOK
KALI PHILLIPS
LORI HAIL
KELSEE RICHARDS
STEPHANIE EDINGTON
THOMAS DIMITRI
BRANDON HORTON
KATIE MACK
DILLON HEATH
KAREN ROSS

4TH GRADE
DALEY ANDERSON
BRITTANY APPLE
LACY KOENIG
PHILLIP BENNETT
JENNIFER YOUNG
RYAN MACK

5TH GRADE
DANIELLE RIVARD
BYRON MCNUTT
BROOKE BOWDEN
DANIELLE EPPARD
BRITTANY ROGERS
JAMIE DAVIS
GEORGE TAFF
WENDY PHILLIPS
EMILY WINFREY
MARIAN REED
NATHANIEL JOY

6TH GRADE
JOSHUA HOPKINS
MELANIE CHESSHIR
JAMES ROSS
ANGELA SWIFT
SHENA THOMAS

Cross Plains Elementary School "AB" Honor Roll

1ST GRADE
CLAY KOENIG
JENNIFER LOVE
RENEE BYARS
STEVEN HARGROVE
BRYANNA SANTOS
JOSEPH WESTERMAN
PARKER ODELL
STEPHEN WAGNER
CLAYTON JAMES
JACOB MELTON
JONATHAN NELSON

2ND GRADE
AARON PHILLIPS
MORGAN FOREMAN
MACI PHILLIPS
AMANDA PURCELL
JESSICA FARIES
SARA WELLS

3RD GRADE
DUSTY COOPER
MICHAEL GREGORY
CORY WALKER
AMBER PHILLIPS
LIANA RICKENBACKER
LAURA JOHNSON
NICOLE CLARK
JUSTIN KELLY
DUSTIN KITCHENS
JEREMY KING
MISTY CALLAWAY

4TH GRADE
MARCUS WILLIAMS
BRANDON PHILLIPS
KIMBERLY MOSIER
CASEY PACK
JOSHUA NELSON
HAYLI-JO FOSTER
JORDAN PANCAKE
SAMMY GARDNER
JANIELLE RIVARD

5TH GRADE
SHANDA MCCLURE
MARLEANA BRANHAM
LISA FORTUNE
TIFFANY MCCORKLE
ASHLEY COOK
OLIVER SAVELL
COLE KOENIG
CHARLENE CANALES
RONNIE GREGORY
TIFFANY GOAINS
CHRIS SLIGER
JOSHUA ELY
SUNNY WESTERMAN
JOSEPH ALBRECHT
CHRISTOPHER HARRIS
AMANDA KITCHENS
NATHAN ALLISON
LEIGHTON WYATT

6TH GRADE
VIOLETA VASQUEZ
REBECCA TENNISON
JASON JAMES
BRIDGET CALLAWAY
TAMI HALL
CANDICE BAILEY
JOSEPH DILLARD
ERIN STEPHENS
JENNIFER CANALES
SHANE SHARPE
LACY ODELL
GREGORY BLACK
SARAH NIXON
AARON NORRIS

Cross Plains Jr. High And High School "A" Honor Roll

7TH GRADE
RYAN AITCHISON
ROGER CAREY
NICHOLAS DIMITRI
ASHLEY HARRIS
TOMMY HARRIS
JAKE MERRYMAN
CODY REED
APRIL WEAVER
LARRY WHITEHEAD

8TH GRADE
CHRISTINA BEATY
BEATRICE BELL
BRITTANY BENNETT
JENNIFER BRAME
AARON (NIKKI) BUSHNELL
CHRISTAL CANALES
MARY NICKERSON
JODI PAYNE
BRANDI RICHEY
VANESSA WEBB
JADEN WINFREY
DAVID WORLEY

FRESHMAN
AMANDA DILLARD
JOLENA FLEMING
WHITNEY GILES
BRICE HAIL
JOSEPH HOPKINS
DAVID MCGOWEN
MINDY MITCHELL
VENTURA MONREAL
SAMUEL NIXON
LAURA RICCI
ROY SLIGER
RACHEL SMITH

SOPHOMORES
CRYSTAL CAROUTH
JUSTIN HOPKINS
KIMBERLY RATLIFF
JARAD RICHARDS
NATHANIEL SWIFT
CARLTON THOMAS
NATASHA WEBB
JOHN WORSHAM

JUNIORS
JEREMY BARNETT
KRISTY BOWDEN
JASON CAREY
JOHN CHESSHIR
CRYSTAL DAVIS
JAONNA HARRIS
JUSTIN RICHEY
MALYSSA SOWELL
BRANDON STOVER
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County's Population Increases 3.8% Since 1990

Twenty-one Texas counties—located primarily in urban areas, the Hill Country and along the Mexican border—posted population gains of more than 20 percent in the past five years, according to figures released recently by the U.S. Census Bureau.

That's about twice as fast as the state as a whole, which experienced growth of 10.2 percent from 1990 to 1995.

Rural counties, primarily in West Texas and the Panhandle, continued to lose population, with 67 counties registering population drops during the period.

Callahan County was one of a few West Texas counties which experienced a population increase between 1990 and 1995. Callahan County's population increased 3.8 percent between 1990 and 1995 to 12,308 people.

Taylor County also experienced a population increase of 2.6 percent, to 122,791 in 1995 figures.

Other Big Country counties and their population increase or decrease from 1990 include: Brown, 4.6 percent increase to 35,960 people in 1995; Coleman, 0.9 percent decrease to 9,623 people; Comanche, 1.1 percent increase to 13,532 residents; and Eastland, 3.3 percent decrease to 17,873 residents.

Other Big Country counties include: Fisher, 6.3 percent decrease to 4,539 people; Jones County, 9.5 percent increase to 18,058 people; Nolan, 2.1 percent decrease to 16,251; Runnels, 0.2 percent decrease to 11,271; Shackelford, 2.9 percent decrease to 3,221 residents; and Stephens, 1.7 percent increase to 9,166 residents in 1995.

The mid-decade census update "verifies the patterns we've seen in the past," said Dr. Steve Murdock, chief demographer for the Texas State Data Center at Texas A&M University. "The fastest-growing areas are along the Texas and Mexico border, and through Central Texas, with of course a large numerical growth in the Houston area, and Dallas area, and in the Travis County and Bexar County areas."

In metropolitan Dallas, all suburban counties posted growth rates above the state average: Collin (31 percent), Rockwall, (28 percent), Denton (22 percent), Kaufman (15 percent) and Ellis (11 percent).

Dallas County grew by almost six percent, and Tarrant County grew by more than nine percent from 1990 to 1995, the Census Bureau reported.

In other urban areas, the highest growth rates were posted by Williamson County, in suburban Austin (32 percent); Hidalgo County, on the Mexican border (25 percent); and the suburban Houston counties of Fort Bend (30 percent) and Montgomery (28 percent).

Dallas County, with a population of 1,959,281 was the 11th most populous of the nation's 3,143 counties and similar regions.

With a population of more than 3 million, Harris County trailed only Cook County, Ill., home to Chicago, and Los Angeles County, Calif.

Harris County's growth of more than nine percent was the second biggest increase among the nation's 10 most populous counties. Only Maricopa County, Ariz., which includes Phoenix, grew at a faster rate. Harris County's population is larger than 23 other states in the nation.

Harris County has had "substantial diversification" since the oil bust of the early 1980's, Dr. Murdock said, and is one of the state's largest counties geographically.

"Unlike Dallas, which is almost fully developed, Harris County still has substantial room to grow," he added.

Edwards County, located northwest of San Antonio, showed the biggest percentage gain, with a population increase of more than 37 percent.

In West Texas, however, some counties are starved for new residents. Motley County, near Lubbock, is one of the fastest-declining counties in the nation, with a population drop of more than 14 percent. Its population was estimated at 1,308 in 1995.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

EARLY CHILDHOOD SCREENING
Cross Plains I.S.D., Early Childhood Screening for the 1996-97 school year will be held April 22 beginning at 9:00 a.m. The Early Childhood Screening identifies children ages three through six who may be developmentally delayed or handicapped in any way. Children with disabilities are eligible for school services on their third birthday and continue through age twenty-one. The screening will be held at the Cross Plains Elementary School and will take about sixty minutes. Parents are asked to please bring their child's birth certificate, shot records, and social security card to the screening. Each child's hearing, vision, speech, motor skills, language ability, and developmental growth will be evaluated at this time. Parents will be given a report on their child's progress as soon as the screening is completed. If you have, or know of a child who might benefit from this service, please contact the Cross Plains Elementary, Principal's office, as soon as possible, at (817) 725-6123.

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Taylor Electric Cooperative, Inc. Annual Membership Meeting Thurs., April 18

The Annual Membership Meeting of Taylor Electric Cooperative, Inc. will be held on Thursday, April 18, at the Taylor County Coliseum in Abilene. Registration and drawings for attendance prizes will begin at 9:00 a.m.
Entertainment will be provided by Vernon Willingham and the Texas Rhythm Boys starting at 10:30 a.m.
A barbecue lunch will be provided by Danny's Fins & Hens of Lubbock, at 11:30 a.m.
The business session will begin at 1:00 p.m. Don Hart, the General Manager of Taylor Electric Cooperative, will be retiring July 1, after 25 years of dedicated service to the rural electric program in this area.



KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL PROJECT—A brief overview of the thyroid gland, its anatomy, physiology and function was presented by local Kiwanis member Dr. J.O. Williams. The object of the review was to enable the local chapter to better understand the Why's and What's of the thyroid gland so that the World-Wide project to eliminate Iodine Deficiency Disease would be more meaningful. The problem with Iodine Deficiency Disease in many of the Third World countries is one that can be easily eliminated by simple administration of a very small amount of iodine at a very low cost. Many governments do not have the capability or the resources to provide this simple element to their people; thus, there is high incidence of endemic goiter in their population. Kiwanis International, and our local chapter, hope that the project will conquer this disease. Also pictured is Bob Pipes, president of Kiwanis of Cross Plains. Guests and prospective members are invited to meet each Tuesday, noon at Dairy Queen.

Perry "New Farm Bill Has Some Provisions That Will Benefit Texas"

AUSTIN—Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry today said that several provisions in the new Farm Bill, the Federal Agricultural Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 or FAIR, will benefit Texas farmers and ranchers, but one measure was not included that could have helped a small business sector in Texas.
"I'm glad Congress has reached an agreement on our nation's farm policy for the next seven years," Perry said. "I'm still gathering information on the bill's details, but from what I know, some provisions in this act should prove to be extremely positive for our state's farmers and ranchers."
Overall, the act will transfer crop production decisions from the government to farmers, Perry said.
"This legislation is a historic shift," the commissioner said. "Instead of the government deciding what is planted, who plants it and what price is paid for it, our farmers will now make their own decisions. It gives our producers the control and flexibility they need to respond to changing market and consumer demands."
However, Perry expressed disappointment because one provision was not authorized by Congress due to strong opposition from the U.S. Department of Agriculture.
The provision would have allowed meat processed at state-inspected facilities to be shipped and sold interstate. Meat processed at state-inspected businesses can only be sold in state even though the U.S. Department of Agriculture inspects these facilities annually and certifies the slaughtering and processing as equal to that done at federally inspected plants.
"A recent survey of state-inspected plants indicates that their sales

would increase as much as 60 to 90 percent if they could ship their products interstate," Perry said.
"With beef prices low, and feed and hay prices high, our ranchers must have new and expanded markets such as those that would be opened up by the approval of interstate meat inspection."
USDA will study over the next 90 days how to implement the interstate provision, and then Congress may consider authorizing interstate meat inspection.
The new Farm Bill maintains the Conservation Reserve Program and adds a voluntary natural resource conservation management program. The Environmental Quality Incentive Program will provide producers with technical assistance and cost-share or incentive payments for implementing one or many conservation plans aimed at protecting water and soil quality.
"This new program offers our farmers and ranchers a carrot instead of a stick to help them implement stewardship practices that, in some instances, can be too costly to undertake on their own," Perry said.
"Continued funding of CRP also will help our producers remain the original environmentalists while compensating them for income lost from not producing crops on these lands."
Overall, the act should help strengthen the nation's agricultural industry, the commissioner said.
"Our farmers are facing an intensive globally competitive market," Perry said. "The new Farm Bill should help maintain and enhance their dominance in producing the best, the safest and the most economical food and fiber supply in the world."

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DEBORAH GENTRY AND JAMES JONES

Gentry - Jones Engagement Announced

Mary Jones of Cross Plains wishes to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of her son, James, to Deborah Gentry, daughter of Wesley and Joan Gentry of Coleman. Jack R. and Uva Jones are James' grandparents and his great-grandmother is Effie Pearl Jones all of Cross Plains.

The couple will be married at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 1, 1996, in the First Christian Church of Coleman. All friends and relatives of the couple are invited to attend.

Deborah is a 1992 graduate of Coleman High School, and James graduated from Cross Plains High School in 1993.



LEA ANN BARTON AND PAUL SCOTT STASNEY

Barton-Stasney Engagement and Approaching Marriage Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Barton of Waco are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Lea Ann, to Mr. Paul Scott Stasney of Houston.

Lea Ann is the granddaughter of

Mrs. Novilia Barton of Pioneer, the late Mr. Barton and the late Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tunnell of Cross Plains. The wedding will be May 18 in Bellville, Texas.

Hardwick Elected As Region VI Community Director

Mrs. Betty Hardwick has been elected to the position of Region VI Community Director of the National Community Mental Healthcare Council Board of Directors. This position is effective immediately and will remain in effect until June 30, 1999. She is with the Hardwick Company in Baird, and is the Chairperson of the Abilene Regional MHMR Center's Board of Trustees.

The National Board of Directors is comprised of 10 National Staff Directors and 10 National Community Directors. There are more than 900 member agencies of the National Mental Healthcare Council from which Board Members are elected. Region VI includes Texas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Arkansas.

Primary duties of National Council Board Members include leadership and direction in public policy development and program implementation, promotion of the concept, financing and delivery of community-based mental health services, the delivery of quality care through education, information and training programs, and increasing public understanding of mental health and public concern for mental illness.

Ms. Hardwick has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the Abilene MHMR Center since November, 1982, and a member of the Board of Directors of the Texas Council of Community MHMR Centers since 1985.

She has received statewide recognition for her volunteer efforts on behalf of persons with mental illness, mental retardation and/or substance abuse problems. Awards have included the 1989 Governor's Award for Outstanding Public Service, 1992 Frank M. Adams Award for Outstanding Volunteer Services, and the 1994 Mary H. Butt Award for Outstanding Service by a Texas Board Member.



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