

JUDGE DALLAS BREWER SIGNS PROCLAMATION declaring Farm and Ranch Safety and Health Week Sept. 20-26. Reminding farmers and ranchers of the important safety factors for guarding the health and well-being of those who labor on the farm or ranch are left to right, Dan Wall, representing Yoakum County Farmers Union; Newell Squyres and Rickey Bearden, both members of Yoakum County Farm Bureau.

## Graveside Service Held For Former Plains Resident

Graveside services for Elmer Cross, 83, of Brownfield, formerly of Plains, were held at 2 p.m. Saturday,


ELMER CROSS

Sept. 12 in Plains Cemetery. Officiating was the Rev. H.A. Tarkington, former minister of Plains Assembly of God Church, now retired.

Burial was under direction of Brownfield Funeral Home.

Cross died at 8:20 a.m. Wednesday in Brownfield Regional Medical Center after a lengthy illness.

He was born March 25, 1909 in Scurry County. He married Muriel Moreman on Sept. 27, 1926 in Haskell County. He worked for the Texas Highway Department and Plains Public Schools, retiring in 1973. Past master of the Masonic Lodge, he was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and Assembly of God Church.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Donald of Brownfield; a daughter, Lajuana Burke of Krum; a sister, Della Butler of Odessa; six grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

## Texas Farm \& Ranch Safety Week Proclaimed Week Of Sept. 20-26

President George Bush has proclaimed the week of Sept. 20-26 as National Farm and Ranch Safety and Health Week, with Texas Governor Ann Richards declaring the same period as Texas Farm and Ranch Safety and Health Week.

The National Safety Council estimates indicate that in 1991 farm work accidents resulted in approximately 1,400 deaths and 140,000 disabling injuries. The death rate was 44 per 100,000 workers, having fallen slightly during the past decade, agriculture remains the highest of the major industries and four times their composite death rate. Many more farm and ranch residents and workers were killed or seriously injured in home, recreation and roadway accidents. An undetermined number of people involved in agricultural work suffered job-related illness known to cause disability or death.

During this week, a statewide farm and ranch accident prevention education campaign is being undertaken by the Texas Farm Bureau; the Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Council; the Texas Safety Association; the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the 4-H Clubs; the Texas Education Agency through the Texas Future Farmers of America, the Young Farmers and Young Homemakers of Texas, the Yoakum County Farmers Union and the Yoakum County Farm Bureau with the theme "Take Charge Of Your Safety and Health".

Accident prevention is often a matter of common sense; putting into practice basic safety rules like always buckling your safety belt; reading and following instructions in operator's manuals and product labels; and many other simple sensible measures that involve little or no extra time, effort or expense.

When you look out and see your land, buildings, machinery and animals, you may smile with justifiable pride. After all, it's your work, determination and management skills that made it possible. But until you look in
the mirror, you haven't seen the one who can best "Take Charge of Your Safety and Health". Safety, with your help, will prove protective for you, your family and employed workers:

1) Protect yourself and others by making safety part of every activity on the job, at home, at leisure and on the road. Machines are replaceable if damaged or destroyed in an accident. But, that's not true for people!
2) Protect by knowing how to prevent farm injuries and illness. Read and follow instructions in manuals and on labels. Note safety and health articles in magazines and newspapers. Read booklets on the subject and pay attention to safety reminders on radio/TV. But, just knowing isn't enough - you must act on that knowledge to reduce risk of costly injury and illness.
3) Protect by inspecting all equipment and facilities for hazards. Then, correct them without delay. Learn the proper safety precautions when dealing with hazards that can't be eliminated.
4) Protect by always keeping shields and guards in place, and by stopping machines before servicing or dealing with operating problems. When the job dictates, use the appropriate personal protective equipment gloves, hard hat, safety shoes, respirator, safety goggles, etc. - to reduce risks to your health and safety.
5) Protect at harvest time by training workers and operating all equipment "appropriately". Take breaks to fight fatigue, especially during hot weather. When hauling harvested products or moving equipment on public roads, drive with care and courtesy.
6) Protect by being prepared for each activity. Have the right tools, equipment and/or supplies at hand. Know and respect your limitations as well as your strengths.
7) Protect by staying fit and seeking care for health problems. Take some time to do things you enjoy to refresh and relax you and add balance to your life.

## Maid Of Cotton To Visit

## Style Show \& Luncheon

Miss Carye Gruben of Rotan, 1992 South Plains Maid of Cotton, will be special guest at the Tsa Mo Ga Study Club luncheon and style show Saturday, Sept. 26 at noon in the school cafeteria.

The style show, featuring Miss Gruben modeling her all cotton


Mark and Marcie Karriker of North Carolina announce the arrival of a son born June 21 in Charlotte, NC. He weighed eight pounds 13 ounces and measured 21 inches long. He has been named Jason Thomas. Grandparents are Mel and Wanda Keiffer of Seven Lakes, NC. Bert Bartlett of Brownfield, formerly of Plains, is great-grandfather.

Racheal Arispe announces the arrival of a daughter born at 3:37 p.m. Sept. 3 in Lamesa Medical Arts Hospital. Weighing seven pounds 14 ounces and measuring 20 inches long, she has been named Marina Justine. Grandparents are Rita Cerna and the late Eduardo Cerna, Elias Arispe of Sterling City and Deloris Gonzales of California. Great-grandparents are Janie Flores of Mason, Mary Martinez of Lamesa and Juanita Arispe of Sterling City. Great-great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Alfredo Martinez of Southland, Magdelana Longoria and the late Arnulfo Longoria of Sterling City.
wardrobe, will follow the salad luncheon. Tickets for the event are $\$ 5$ and may be obtained from any member of Tsa Mo Ga Study Club.

Persons interested in attending should RSVP to Kathy Jones, 4562155 or 456-3200; or Mary Jo St. Romain, 456-8855 before Thursday, Sept. 24.

Various door prizes will be given.
Miss Gruben is a senior general clothing and textiles major at Texas Tech University. She will share some of her experiences as the reigning South Plains Maid of Cotton. Her reign ends Oct. 9.

## Librarians Attend

WTLS Workshops
Yoakum County Librarians attended the West Texas Library System meeting Sept. 17 in Lubbock CityCounty Library. Guest speaker was Betty Anderson who addressed the group on "Working With Politicians".

The advisory council met to elect new officers for 1992-93 and to approve decisions made by WTLS coordinator and librarians.

A Mexican lunch was served to librarians and laymen. Five new librarians were introduced. Nancy Hill, coordinator, announced West Texas Library System has purchased 21 new computers, software, monitors and mouse for libraries in the System. Other benefits purchased were book carts.

Future workshops were announced including October, Small Library Automation; November, Liability Issues for Libraries and December, Geographic Meetings.
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## County Employees Hold Picnic

## In Yoakum County Park

Employees of Yoakum County tion recently in Yoakum County Park. and their families were honored with Homemade ice cream and cookies the annual picnic and awards presenta- were served with the annual cookout.

## NRA Crimestrike Aids Victims; Halts Attacker's Parole

A dangerous offender has been denied parole, thanks to a program called Crimestrike and the Texas members of the National Rifle Association of America.

Charles Edward Bruton physically assaulted Susan Bromberg. Shot at her three times. Victimized her 11 year old daughter in one of the worst cases of sexual assault in Dallas County. When she learned he was up for parole after serving three years of two ten-year sentences, she called Crimestrike for help. A division of NRA, Crimestrike placed special advertising in NRA magazines destined for Texas members, and they responded.

Hundreds called and wrote the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles. On Sept. 14, Bruton's parole was denied.
"This is a great victory for a family, and it's a clear sign that citizen involvement - one of the five elements of the Texas Crimestrike Initiative - is essential if we are to break the back of violent crime in Texas," said Steven J. Twist, Special Counsel to Crimestrike.

Bromberg assisted Twist's Aug. 13 launch of the initiative in Dallas. Bromberg and Twist were joined by Lori Bible whose sister, Colleen Reed, was allegedly abducted and murdered by paroled killer Kenneth McDuff.

Twist used the parole victory to once more express grave concern over the apparent direction of the Texas Punishment Standards Commission. In his Aug. 13 news conference, Twist attacked what he considered a "dangerous managing-to-existing-re-
sources mentality" on the part of TPSC. That evoked a mocking reply from TPSC commissioner Carl Reynolds who asked if the NRA thought prisons grew on trees. Twist responded that, while prisons do not grow on trees, "Crime in Texas seems to and it's a bitter fruit for all Texans".

For example, Twist pointed out that only $27 \%$ of first time rapists go to prison in Texas, with a medium sentence length of less than three years. "Despite these shocking statistics," Twist said, "the TPSC summit report calls for "a proposal for felony punishment with...lower...ranges of punishment, such as recommended in the Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association policy statement'."
"The only way to protect Texans from the Charles Edward Brutons of the world is to build more prisons, not lower ranges of punishment," Twist said. "Halting the parole of this one violent offender is a victory. But an average of another 150 offenders were released on the same day Bruton's parole was denied. This is just one small step in turning back the tide of violence in this great state."

Twist urged Texans to support the Texas Crimestake Initiative: 1) tough, honest sentencing for violent and repeat offenders and overhaul of the Texas habitual offenders provision; 2) prison construction, especially return-to-custody facilities to deter parole violators; 3) juvenile justice reform; 4) invigorated state victims rights law; and 5) citizen involvement.


## Test Preparation Classes Offered At Plains High

Plains Independent School District is sponsoring classes for high school students to provide assistance in their preparation for the exit level Texas Assessment of Academic Skills test. All students must master the test in order to graduate from high school.

Classes will be held each school day morning from 7:30 to 7:55 a.m. and each afternoon, 3:25 to $3: 50$ p.m. All students who feel they need help are encouraged to attend.

At the same times, programs are available to help students prepare to take the American College Testing (ACT) and Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT).

Parents are asked to encourage their children to take advantage of these aids. Attendance should increase test scores significantly.

## SCHOOL EUENTS

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## Friday Night Game Featured The 'Cowboys \& Indians'

Plains traveled to Morton Friday, ball down field. Ramirez rushed from Sept. 11, for a meeting of the Cowboys the 11 yard line for the TD. Bernal's and Indians. As in a well-planned kick was good. script, the Cowboys surrounded the Indians and brought home the victory.

The first couple of series neither team was able to mount a drive. The Cowboys then settled down to business. Jose Ramirez carried from the 47 yard line to the 30. Ace Williams ran for two yards. Ramirez gained a first down at the 20 . He carried on the following play to the two yard line. He gained up to the one yard line as the quarter ended.

Brian Wilson threw a short pass to Brad McMinn for the touchdown. Victor Bernal's kick was good.

On the kickoff Shannon Ward dropped the Morton return man at the 12 yard line. Morton moved to their own 45 where Plains stopped them and forced a punt. Ward took the punt and returned it to the Cowboy 38. Ward moved the ball to the 50 yard line on the next play. A couple of penalty calls forced the Cowboys to punt.

Junior Lira sacked Morton's quarterback Mark Hawkins, for a five yard loss. Ward intercepted Hawkin's pass on the next play. A penalty put the Cowboys on the Morton 39. Ramirez and the Cowboys moved the


FHA MEMBERS WITH ITEMS COLLECTED FOR HURRICANF VICIIMS

## Teen Suicide Program Given At FHA Meeting

Plains High School's Future Homemakers of America chapter met Sept. 16 in the home ec room for a video presentation, "Too Young To Die". The film dealt with the growing problem of teenage suicides.

Fund raisers were discussed.
Members expressed appreciation
to everyone who contributed items for their collection to aid hurricane victims in Florida. The collection was packaged and sent to Hobbs, NM where it was then taken to Florida.

Attending were 25 members and guests, Kay McClure and Theresa Stroup.

## What's

Cooking
At School?
BREAKFAST
MONDAY - Toast, oatmeal, grape juice and milk.

TUESDAY - Donuts, toast, apple juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Toast, scrambled eggs, orange juice and milk

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

FRIDAY - Toast, cereal, pineapple juice and milk

## LUNCH

MONDAY - Submarine sandwich, French fries w/catsup, lettuce, pickles, pineapple slices and milk.

TUESDAY
Nachos
w/meat/cheese sauce, lettuce, tomatoes, pinto beans, cornbread, apple cobbler and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Hamburgers, lettuce, pickles, onions, potato chips, fruit, oatmeal cookies and milk.

THURSDAY - Fish w/tartar sauce, mashed potatoes, green peas, hot rolls, peanut butter, honey and milk.

FRIDAY - Roast w/gravy, rice, green beans, hot rolls, peaches and milk.
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## Cross Country Team Competes

Plains Cowboys Cross Country Team posted the best score in the 3A and under division in competition at Brownfield. David Corrales started a new season with his second fastest time in Plains school history, 15:33.

Other finishers were Ralph Coronel, 12th, 16:43; Ricky Gonzales, 16th,

17:06; Lenny Morrow, 19th, 17:14; second, this time in 16:19. and Edward Escobar, 22th, 17:29.

Other runners were Jason Robertson, Kirk Parrish, Gilbert Ortiz, Jimmy Robertson, Chris Caballero and Junior Lira.

The team won the Odessa Meet with 40 points. Corrales again finished

Other scoring included Morrow, 4th, 17:32; Coronel, 5th, 17:34; Escobar, 7th, 17:59; Ken McAdams, 26th, 19:31; Jason Robertson, 51st, 21:00; Caballero, 63rd, 21:51; Jimmy Robertson, 64th, 21:52; and Parrish, 68th, 22:34.

Other schools competing were McCamey, 59 points; Stanton, 87; Ozona, 89; San Angelo JV, 144; Midland JV, 160; Hobbs JV, 184; Coahoma, 197; Andrews JV, 219; Garden City, 265; and Seminole JV, 273.

## FILMTIME

Filmtime youngsters were entertained Wednesday with the films, "Corduroy" and "The Napping Horse". Books of the day were "The Eye Book" and "Brown Bear, What Do You See?"

Attending were Alisha Wauson, Todd Williams, Callie Howell, Chris Loya, Lucas Brink, Britnie Duran, Seth Cypert, B.D. Guetersloh, Blake Parrish, Lauren Davis, Kimberly Jackson, Nicholas Curtis, Zachary Ramos, Abel Ramos and Scott and Christopher Addison.


COWBOY RECORD HOLDER David Corrales, PHS junior, holds the school record in three mile cross country. He was a member of the 1991 All State Cross Country Team.


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## Ten Tips Given For Farm Safety

Farm Safety Week provides an excellent opportunity each year for those involved in agriculture to evaluate their safety attitude and work habits and rededicate their efforts to make each day a safe day on the farm.

The following safety information is furnished by Deere \& Company and the nearly 2900 John Deere dealers worldwide who remind farmers and ranchers to protect agriculture's greatest resource - you, and those who live and work with you. Safety Recommendations:

1. Take the time to be safe. Farming puts a lot of demands on everyone's time. Sometimes, when time is tight, experienced equipment operators and farm workers take shortcuts. Those shortcuts can result in accidents that harm or kill. Saving a couple of minutes is not worth the chance of losing a lifetime. Don't be too busy to be safe.
2. Just say "NO" to children. Many accidents could be prevented by simply keeping kids away from farm equipment. Do not permit a child to do an adult's job. Even when young people become mature enough to operate equipment, it's vitally important that they be able to properly use all of the machine's controls and work safely. Be sure they receive thorough safety and operating instruction. Basic tractor and machinery safety courses are available from many schools and extension offices.
3. Accept no riders. Children often plead for rides on equipment. Busy farm parents may be tempted to give in to these requests so they can spend more time with their children. Never give in to requests for rides from children - no matter how much they plead or how great the temptation.
4. Teach safety by good example. Actions often do speak louder than words. Parents need to make sure their daily safety behavior is consistent with the other safety information they provide to their children. Children will quickly notice when dad and mom don't practice what they preach.
5. Take a break. A high percentage of accidents occur after 5 p.m. One big reason is fatigue. Working long days and pushing to finish before weather conditions change take a toll in both physical and mental sharpness. If the job requires long hours or is done under stress, take extra breaks to remain physically and mentally alert. A few minutes of rest can produce big returns in safety and productivity.
6. When working alone, keep others informed. If it's necessary to work alone, always tell someone where you'll be and when you'll return - just in case you have an accident and need help. A significant number of farmers and ranchers who were injured while vorking alone would be alive today if they had been found sooner.
7. Make sure equipment is in proper operating condition. Properly maintained and adjusted equipment is an important element in a safe and productive operation. Before the be-
ginning of the use season and periodically during the season, inspect each machine thoroughly. Look for worn parts that may affect the smooth operation or reliability of the machine and replace or repair as required. Replace parts which are missing or cannot be properly repaired. This includes all shields, guards and safety signs.
8. Carefully read the operator's manual. The single best source of safety information about a machine and instructions for servicing and adjusting it for proper operation is the operator's manual. Study it thoroughly before operating a machine and keep it handy. If the operator's manual cannot be found, order a new one from the equipment dealer.
9. Shut it off before getting off. Always disengage the power and shut off the engine before working on any part of a machine. When working with others, make sure everyone is clear of the machine and in full view before restarting the engine.
10. Maintain a strong safety attitude. Most experienced farm workers and operators know how to work safely, but sometimes the temptation to take shortcuts and ignore safety principles proves too great to resist. Unfortunately, this momentary lapse in safety consciousness can result in injury or death. Success in making the farm a safer place to work and live requires the mental toughness to do a job safely every second of every day.

## John Deere Announces Special ROPS Program

Deere \& Company has announced a special ROPS (rollover protective structures) program to encourage the use of ROPS and seat belts on older tractors.

The program reminds operators of the benefits from having ROPS and wearing seat belts on agricultural tractors and aggressively encourages the installation of rollover protective structures for tractors not equipped with ROPS.
"We believe reducing the selling price of rollover protective structures can be an element in convincing a customer to install ROPS on an older tractor," said Bud Porter, director of sales branches at Deere \& Company. "That's why we are adopting what we call 'pass-through pricing' for ROPS kits. Very simply, we will sell them to our dealers to sell the kits without margin to reduce the effect cost may have on a farmer's decision to have ROPS and seat belts installed on his older tractors."

Deere also announced that its new foldable ROPS, standard on its 40 through 85-pto hp tractors, is available for older utility tractors. This enables these tractors to be equipped with a ROPS that can be folded in heightlimiting situations, such as low doorways of buildings.

Porter said farmers who want more information about the new ROPS program and what's available for their tractors in the United States and later released the patent to the industry at no cost. ROPS became standard equipment on John Deere tractors in 1978 with a deduct option. In 1984, the deduct was eliminated. Since then every new John Deere agricultural tractor is sold with a ROPS.

## Cardena Family

 Sings For Fine ArtsMembers and guests of Plains Fine Arts Club were entertained recently at a supper meeting in La Familia Restaurant. Performing were Junior and Patty Cardena.

Attending were a guest, Lona Morris of Stephenville, and members, Mmes. Vaughn Culwell, Jack Palmer, Charley Ellis, Vennum Fitzgerald, Charles Cain, Pete Simmons, Gary Walker, Louise Goehry, Dolores Davis and Leland Ellison.

Next meeting will be Oct. 1 in the home of Mrs. Culwell. Program of the evening is "Reminiscing With Past Presidents".

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## Tips On Car Insurance Told Extension Homemakers Club

Edith Tuggle was hostess Tuesday for the regular meeting of Turner Extension Homemakers Club.

Tips on purchasing car insurance were given by Larry Holder, representative of State Farm Insurance.

Plans were finalized for the Recycled Style Show. The event will be held in conjunction with the $4-\mathrm{H}$ Awards Banquet.

Announcement was made the Texas Extension Homemakers Convention was to be held Sept. 22-24 in

Galveston. Delegates attending will be Sidney Murphy, Bea Pippin, Maurine Smith and alternate Gloria Lane.

Guests attending were May Weed and Gwyn Carter and Trudy.

Members attending were Bitsy Martin, Pat Curtis, Velma Dearing, Dorothy Jones, Gay Wilmeth, Jerri Lowler, Helen Worsham, Gloria Lanes, Maurine Smith and Bea Pippin.

Next meeting will be Oct. 20 at 2 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Dearing.

## HELPFUL HINT

shared by Plains Library
To preserve news clippings so they will last 200 years, dissolve a milk of magnesia tablet in a quart of club soda overnight. Pour it over the clipping flat in a pan. Soak for one hour. Remove clipping and pat away extra water gently. Do not move it until thoroughly dry.

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## Thank You

Our families wish to express our appreciation for the prayers, cards, flowers and other expressions of sympathy in the passing of our loved one, Elmer C. Cross. We also appreciate those who contributed to and helped serve lunch in Brownfield and for the family reception held in the Heritage Room of Plains Library, following the services. We also appreciate all the friends we have had over the many years we have lived in Plains.

Mrs. Muriel Cross
Mr. \& Mrs. Don Cross \& Family Mr. \& iVrrs. Autry Burke \& Family

## Reader Shares Chicken Recipe

HERBED CHICKEN STRIPS
$11 / 4$ c. Quaker Oats (quick or oldfashioned, uncooked)
$11 / 4$ t. basil
1 t . paprika
$1 / 2 \mathrm{t}$. oregano
$1 / 2 \mathrm{t}$. thyme
$1 / 4 \mathrm{t}$. garlic powder
2 whole chicken breast, boned, skinned, split
$1 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. milk
$1 / 4$ c. margarine, melted
18 -oz can tomato sauce
$1 / 2$ c. sliced green onions
Heat oven to 425 degrees. Place oats in blender container or food processor bowl; cover. Blend about one minute, stopping occasionally to stir. Cut chicken breasts in one inch strips. Coat chicken in combined ground oats, 1 teaspoon basil and spices; dip into milk, then again into oat mixture. Place in $15 \times 10$ inch pan; drizzle with margarine. Bake 25 to 30 minutes or until tender. Combine sauce, onions, and remaining basil; heat through, stirring occasionally. Serve with chicken. 4 servings.



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## Go Black-n-Gold




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    TUESDAY - Volleyball - Seminole/Levelland - 9th/JV/V - Here 5:30 p.m.

    THURSDAY - Football - Hart 7th/8th - There - 5 p.m.; Football Hart - JV - There - 7:30 p.m.

    FRIDAY - HOMECOMING Football - Hart - V - Here - 8 p.m.

    SATURDAY - Volleyball Lamesa - 9th/JV/V - Here - 1 p.m.; Cross Country - Big Spring

