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Lubbock recognizes 'son'

# Holly fans flock to concert

**United Press International**  
LUBBOCK — It took the city of Lubbock nearly a quarter century to come to terms with the actuality, and then the legend, of rock star Buddy Holly, but this weekend it did so.

On the 43rd anniversary of Holly's birth on the non-rocking Texas Panhandle plains and almost 25 years since he organized a country and western band to play at assemblies at Lubbock High School, the city threw a bash for its most famous son.

Country star Waylon Jennings, who played bass for a time for Holly, and Buddy's old backup group, The Crickets, Friday night played at a memorial concert in the Civic Center auditorium Friday night. A ticket to the concert was as tough as a ticket to Saturday's football game between Texas Tech and USC.

But more than the music, or the crowd, the concert marked a new era in Lubbock. The city, with the festivities, formally recognized its ties and responsibility to the young man who, in 18 months of recording, became a legend among the world's popular musicians.

Niki Sullivan, now a Blue Springs, Mo., sales manager for an electronics firm, was one of the original Crickets, one of those who rehearsed with Buddy for hours in an empty garage in Lubbock.

"I don't expect the people of Lubbock to revere Buddy," Sullivan said. "I want them to realize what he did for music worldwide, and to have respect for him because of that."

It has been theorized, that Lubbock has been confused as to how to deal with the worldwide respect for Holly, said Mayor Dirk West. Lubbock, especially in the early days, did not understand or like Holly's music. Lubbock recognized that Holly had to leave his hometown before he could do what he did.

"You've got to remember that 25 years ago Lubbock was just a little ole cotton town," said West. "And I mean little. The people here liked Bob Wills and Roy Acuff. They didn't take to that rock and roll."

"People listened to what Buddy was playing and they said, 'He's a kook. Don't worry. He'll give that up pretty soon.'"

"He was just a Lubbock boy. We didn't think anything about him, not until the movie came out and all this interest began. We didn't know how well he was known outside Lubbock. Now, I think, there is pride in him; not for who he was, but for what he did."

The concert will be held annually, and proceeds will go to the Buddy Holly Memorial Fund to construct a Walk Of Fame at the civic center, honoring West Texas musicians, and

to build an 8-foot-6 statue of Holly to be sculpted by Grant Speed and presented at next year's concert.

The Lubbock Avalanche-Journal interviewed some of Holly's classmates at Lubbock High during Buddy Holly Week last week and found more ambivalence.

Bobbie Blocker, activities chairman during Holly's sophomore year, said: "He had a goal he wanted to achieve and school was not the way to achieve it. I think this town never knew Buddy Holly. I think he found himself somewhere else, and I think he got out of town as soon as he could."

And the day he left Lubbock he day the world found him.

His simple grave in the Lubbock City Cemetery — the only full-length guitar in relief on the horizontal marble slab — Friday was decorated with four bouquets. One, of pink azaleas, brought to mind one of his songs: "Happy birthday Buddy. My love for you will never fade away. Barbara Rau, Hawthorne, New Jersey." Another, of dark red roses, also harkened to a Holly tune, it was signed "Peggy Sue Rackham."

Hundreds of Holly fans gathered for an emotional memorial service Saturday at the grave. And later gathered for a picnic at the Buddy Holly Memorial Park and then they night viewed the movie "The Buddy Holly Story."

## Arizona governor apologizes

**United Press International**  
PHOENIX, Ariz. — In an open letter to the people of Texas, Arizona Gov. Bruce Babbitt says cent remarks he made about the battle of the Alamo were not meant to be disparaging.

In an open letter to Texas on Saturday, Babbitt said, "As one who married a Texan and who has lived in Texas, I share our pride in Texas history. It was not my intention to offend anyone."

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