

Merkel Church of Christ Announces Ministers

Elders of the Merkel Church of Christ have announced the employment of two new ministers. Glenn Owen has been selected to serve as minister and will deliver gospel messages each Sunday morning and evening.

Owen was born in 1936 in Goree, Texas and graduated from Littlefield High School in 1954. He attended Abilene Christian College from 1954-56 and Midwestern University in 1956.

Owen has preached for congregations in Fargo, Texas, Iowa Park, and Fort Worth, and also went to Brazil in 1961 to begin nine years of mission work. He has conducted gospel meetings in the U.S., Mexico, Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay, Spain, Switzerland, and Portugal, and was a speaker on World Radio Brazil in Portuguese, Spanish, and English for five years. Owen presently works with Highland Church of Christ in Abilene as Director of Foreign Radior Programming.



GLENN OWEN
... minister

He resides at 1426 N. Jefferson in Abilene with his wife, Marlene, and their three children, Randy, Glenn Paul, and Marla.

Larry Gill has been selected to serve as associate minister. Gill was born in 1951 in Pampa, Texas and graduated from Pampa High School in 1970. He attended Texas Christian University in 1970 and Abilene Christian College from 1971-73. Gill will be awarded the B.S. degree, cum laude, in Ministry and Evangelism during May commencement exercises at ACC.



LARRY GILL
... associate

Gill served as youth minister of a congregation in Miami, Texas during 1970, but this will be his first long-term ministry in a local congregation. He resides at 1408 Sunset here in Merkel with his wife, Mary.

Youth Hunting Safety Program Being Offered

A program designed to teach young people hunting safety was started February 3 at the First Baptist Church. J. C. Carson is the instructor for the courses. The classes are being held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday afternoons. The next scheduled class is Sunday, February 17th.

Medicare Deductible Now \$84

The deductible for Medicare hospital insurance is \$84 starting January 1, 1974, according to Glyn Hammons, district manager for the Social Security Administration in Abilene.

"This means that a Medicare patient admitted to a hospital after December 31 will be responsible for at least the first \$84 of the hospital bill," Hammons said.

The 1973 deductible was \$72. Under the Medicare law, the amount has been increased to keep it in line with the average cost of one day's stay in the hospital.

"The \$12 increase to \$84 is a result of a review of hospital costs during 1973," Hammons said.

Under the law, the increase in the hospital insurance deductible causes increases in other amounts patients pay for covered care under the Medicare program.

Medicare hospital insurance helps pay the hospital bills of almost everyone 65 and over, of disabled people under 65 who have been getting social security disability benefits for 2 years or more, and of eligible people who need kidney transplants or dialysis for kidney disease.

Medicare is administered by the Social Security Administration. The Abilene office for this agency is located at the Federal Building.

er are eligible to attend the classes. Upon successful completion of the course, the young hunters are issued certificates of competency from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and the National Rifle Association.

Carson said that topics to be covered include Knowledge of Guns and Ammunition, Proper Gun Handling, Safe Hunting Methods, The Rifle, The Shotgun and The Hunter's Responsibilities.

"Hunting is a privilege which carries with it the proper consideration of the rights of others. Our young hunters should be taught to cherish this privilege and be properly trained so that hunting accidents, which are results of the careless, improper or inconsiderate use of firearms, will be prevented," Carson said. "This is the purpose of our holding this course of instruction for the youth of Merkel and the area. We invite any interested youth 12 years old and over to come to the instruction," Carson concluded.

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Mike Young Files For 61st Representative

O. Henry (Mike) Young, Jr., of Abilene, has filed as a candidate for State Representative for District 61, in opposition to Elmer Martin of Colorado City.

Mr. Young, 35, is an Abilene attorney, and has been active in civic and public affairs for many years.

Among his current activities, Mr. Young is serving as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Abilene Independent School District, and is a member of the Board of Directors of West Central Texas Council of Governments, Abilene Fine Arts Museum, Taylor County Child Welfare Unit and Taylor County Hear 2 Association. He was selected in 1972 as Abilene's Outstanding Young Man.

Merkel, Trent Students Win In UIL Contest

Two Merkel students and two Trent students won honors Saturday, February 9, in the annual Abilene University-Interscholastic League Winter Meet held on the campus of McMurry College.

There was more than 600 students from all over West Texas competing for trophies, gold medals, and ribbons.

Merkel winners were: Beverly Gilmore, 2nd place in Novice Spelling and Phyllis Shanks, 6th in Veterans Spelling.

Former Merkel Resident Dies In Amarillo

Stanley B. King, 77, retired postal employe of Amarillo, and former Merkel resident, died at 7:30 a.m. Sunday at his home following a long illness. Service was held at 2 p.m. Monday in the Merkel Church of Christ.

Glenn Owen, minister, conducted the service. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery in Merkel under the direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

Mr. King was born July 25, 1896, in Paris, Miss. He moved to the Merkel area in 1904. He served in the armed forces during World War I, and married Winnie Pearl Callaway on May 1, 1918 in Abilene. He began working for the postal service in Merkel in 1918.

In 1926, he was transferred to a rural mail carrier route, retiring from that position in 1963. He has lived in Amarillo since 1968.

Survivors include his wife; of son, Norman of Amarillo; one grandson, Chris of Lubbock; one granddaughter, Mrs. Frank (Linda) Beirschmitt of Amarillo; four great-grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Stella Cutler of Merkel; and one nephew, Tommy Cutler of Merkel.

Business Loan Applications Being Accepted by FHA

Preapplications for business and industrial loans in Taylor County may be filed with the Farmers Home Administration office in Abilene.

This announcement was made by FHA County Supervisor, Don M. Newhouse, who said provisions of the Rural Development Act of 1972 are now operative in the county area.

Newhouse explained that a letter of preapplication is the first step in seeking assistance under the new federal program of financing local business development. The letter should briefly explain the type of industry or business, the proposed mar-

ket for goods or services, and provide an estimate of the type and number of employment opportunities to be generated. Additional information may be secured by contacting the FHA county office, 2203 Federal Building, Abilene, phone 672-1181.

"If the prospective business meets eligibility requirements," Newhouse said, "the applicant will be requested to submit a formal application."

Eligible applicants--individuals, partnerships, cooperatives, and corporations--should work with their bank or other private lender. Those whose applications are approved will receive loans from the private lender with up to 90 percent guaranteed by FHA. Funds may be used to start or expand business enterprises in rural areas and cities up to 50,000 population. Loan funds may be used to purchase machinery and equipment.

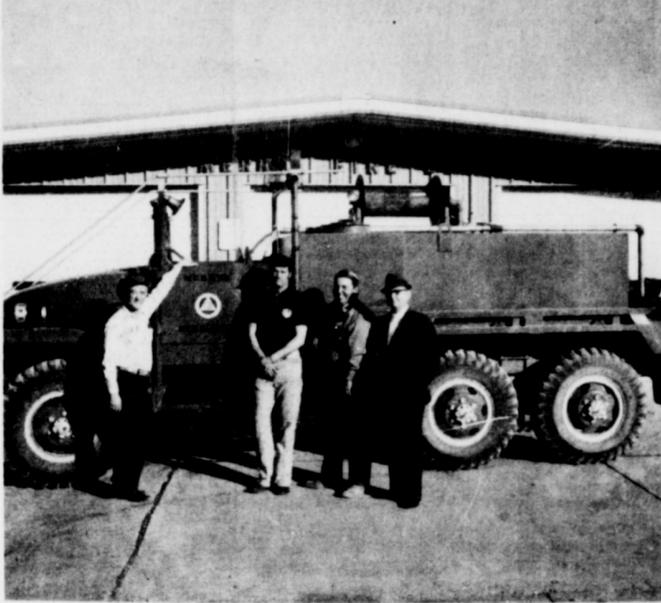
Public bodies also are eligible for grants to finance industrial sites that will result in development of private business enterprises.

Additional information needed by applicants or lenders is available at the FHA county office.

TCYH Will Hear Drug Program

The Taylor County Young Homemakers will meet Thursday, Feb. 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Charles Jacobs. Mrs. Jimmy Jacobs and Mrs. Larry Beasley will serve as co-hostesses.

A program on Drugs will be given by Mrs. Bill Merkel.



NEW GRASS FIRE TRUCK--The rash of grass fires that has plagued Merkel fire department has pressed the newest addition, a 1954 G.M.C. grass fire truck into action. The firemen have just completed the conversion of the cargo truck purchased through the Civil Defense program from Texas Surplus at Lubbock. The truck contains a 250 gallon per minute pump and carries 1,200 gallons of water. Fire Chief Adcock said the department answered 27 grass fire calls in January and urges everyone to be very careful when burning trash. With dry weather still in the forecast, more fires will occur if citizens are not alert. Pictured above are Waymon Adcock, Chief, Billy Lucas and Robert Harris, assistant chief and Fred Starbuck, Civil Defense Coordinator.

Survey Underway For New Training Course at High School

Merkel High School is currently taking a survey of Merkel businessmen to see if they would be interested in a new program to be offered next year. Called "Multi-Occupational Co-

operative Training," the course would offer on the job training and classroom work as well.

The proposed course will be taught by Philip Pursley if enough merchants express

an interest in the new program. While not presently teaching, Pursley is a veteran of nine years in the classroom. He taught two years in the San Angelo school system and seven years at Garland. His wife, Jeanette, is a 4th grade teacher at Tye.

Pursley explained that students enrolling in the new course would be screened and counseled before any contact with an employer is made.

"We at Merkel High School want to offer the business people of Merkel a service through our high school students and in return the students will receive invaluable training," Travis Davis, MHS principal, said. "Within the next few days Mr. Pursley will contact the merchants and discuss the possibility of your firm wanting to assist with the training of our local students. We appreciate your continuing support of the Merkel schools," Davis said.



PHILIP PURSLEY
... to teach program

1974 Car License Will Be Sold in Merkel, Trent

Burl King, Taylor County Tax Assessor-Collector, announced that personnel from his office will be at Max Murrell Chevrolet showroom Saturday Feb. 16th and Saturday Feb. 23 to sell '74 license plates.

License plates will also be sold at Trent City Hall Saturday Feb. 16 ONLY. The

1974 license plates may be purchased in Merkel and Trent between the hours of 9-12 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.

Persons purchasing tags are urged to bring the computer card mailed to them from Austin. If you do not have this card, bring your car title and your '73 license receipt.

Becky Kimbrell Is Little Sister of Month

Becky Lynn Kimbrell, a junior in Merkel High School, was chosen as Little Sister of the Month of December by the Taylor County Young Homemakers at their regular monthly meeting. Miss Kimbrell is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kimbrell, 1506 Heath, Merkel.

She is in the Band, Choir, and Drama. Her hobby is playing the guitar. She also likes to skate, bowl, go to the movies and meet new people.

Miss Kimbrell is a member of Homemaking and FHA and sews some of her own clothes.

She is an active member of the Church of Christ youth group.



BECKY KIMBRELL
... little sister

13 Candidates File For School Board

The race for the Merkel Independent School Board has drawn a large number of persons filing for positions on the board which will see a complete new slate of members elected in the April 6th election.

Due to the consolidation last year of the Merkel and the Tye school districts, all of the present board member's terms expire. The voter must elect two members from Tye and two from Merkel and three at-large Trustees this year. This is the only year that the voters will be required to do this.

Beverly Gilmore Gives Lamb To Rehab Center

Area youth are playing an increasingly important role in the ongoing program of the West Texas Rehabilitation Center, demonstrating that Big Country young people are interested and involved.

The Abilene Junior Rodeo Club voted to split the proceeds from the recent Junior Rodeo with the Rehab Center. The result was a \$500.00 check to the Center.

Seventeen-year-old Beverly Gilmore, Mulberry Canyon 4-H'er, for the third year in a row has given the proceeds to the Center from the sale of her show lamb shown in the Taylor County Livestock Show. This year her champion mutton breed, a Southdown, meant \$100.00 to lend a helping hand to the children and adults being treated at the Center.

During the recent "Rehab '74" telecast, the Roscoe Boys Club presented a check for \$1,000.00, which they raised during the past year.

Throughout the year numerous youth organizations and individuals contribute their time, talent, and money to help the Center.

Shelley V. Smith, Executive Director of the Center, said, "The enthusiastic support of the young people of the area is not only a present help, but also offers a great deal of encouragement for the future growth of the Center." Smith added, "The involvement of these young people is a beautiful expression of their unselfish concern for others."

Tye 6th Grade Boys, Girls Win at Lawn

The Tye 6th grade met the Jim Ned 6th grade in a basketball game last Thursday at Lawn. In the boys game, Tye beat Jim Ned 10-8. Mark Copland was the high point boy with 6 points. With Tye

behind 8-6, Copland made two shots to score the winning points.

Walter Hagle and Bill Phipps scored 2 each. Other members of the Tye team are Bruce Reeve, Jerry Scott, Steve Oakley, Cliff Mattingly and John Scott.

Neilon Ely To Be In 'J.B.'

ABILENE--Neilon Ely of Merkel is a member of the cast of Archibald MacLeish's Pulitzer Prize-winning drama "J.B." which McMurry College will stage March 7-10.

Neilon is a freshman majoring in Theatre. Parents are Mr. and Mrs. Orval Ely of Rt. 3, Merkel.

"J.B." is a poetic retelling of the story of Biblical Job in a modern setting. The play was a Broadway hit with Pat Hingle, Raymond Massey and Christopher Plummer in a New York cast directed by Elia Kazan.

Neilon will have the role of Eliphaz in the McMurry production, according to director Jerry Watson of the McMurry speech-theater faculty.

The play will be staged in the Moody Center Little Theater of the Amy Graves Ryan Fine Arts Building, one of the newest and most modern theaters in the Southwest.

With the March 6 filing deadline just under a month away, thirteen persons have filed--four from Tye and nine from Merkel. Three of those filing are incumbent members of the Board. They are Bobby DuBoise, Johnny Teaff, and Charles Jacobs.

Persons filing from Tye include Jack Moore, Bill Morgan, David Kraatz, and A. O. Cox.

Others from Merkel seeking election to the board are Juan Ybarra, Bobby Toliver, Benny Melton, Roy Davis, Larry White, and D. C. Hendricks.

According to the election code, all candidates must designate a campaign manager. (Article 14.02) The drawing for the order of name on the ballot will be held March 8. This is also governed by the election code.

Absentee voting for the election will begin 20 days before the election and will end 4 days prior to the election.

In the city election only two persons have filed. Incumbent Pete Morgan filed last week. Also filing last week was Jimmy Atkinson.

To date the other two incumbents whose terms expire this year have not filed for reelection. They are Connie Mack Seymore and Ted Smith.

Only one person filed for Justice of the Peace before the filing deadline. Filing was Lewis Millett.

Auxiliary To Hold Dinner

The Ladies Auxiliary to the Merkel Fire Department held its monthly meeting Monday, Feb. 4 at the fire station.

Plans were made for the District convention of Mid-west Texas Firemen and Fire Marshals to be held in Merkel in April.

Plans were also made to hold a Spaghetti Dinner on Trades Day, March 2. Menu will be spaghetti, meat sauce, salad, garlic toast, tea, and coffee. Tickets will be \$1.50 for adults and 75¢ for children. Serving hours will be from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Members present were: Mmes. Walter Harris, Waymon Adcock, Robert Harris, David Seymore, Dean Goodman, Roy Schuitz and Jerry Horton.

World War I Veterans To Meet Feb. 19

The World War I Barracks and Ladies Auxiliary will have their regular monthly meeting Tuesday, Feb. 19 at Taylor Electric Co-op.

A pot luck supper will be served at 6:30 p.m.

All veterans are urged to be present. The membership drive is still on, but veterans are urged to become members.

District meet will be in Mineral Wells March 2 with registration at 9 a.m.



MRS. LARRY L. TEAFF
... Lambda Beta Sweetheart

Mrs. Larry Teaff Is Chosen Valentine Sweetheart

Mrs. Larry L. Teaff was chosen Valentine Sweetheart of Lambda Beta, Beta Sigma Phi Sorority recently. Mrs. Teaff has been a member of the club for one year.

She is presently serving on the Ways and Means Committee as chairman, on the Service and Social committees, is City Council Representative and is on Woman of Year committee for Cham-

ber of Commerce Banquet. She will be presented as Sweetheart at a dance to be held in the Civic Center in Abilene February 23.

Mrs. Teaff's picture was sent to Abilene, Kansas, where it was then sent to California to be judged for an international Beta Sigma Phi Queen. The judging is done by a well known celebrity. This year the judging was done by John Wayne.

Mrs. Griggs Club Guest Speaker

The Merkel Garden Club will have guest day Thursday, Feb. 21 at 3:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall of the First United Methodist Church. The public is invited to attend.

Guest speaker at the seated tea will be Mrs. Charles Griggs, National flower judge from Sweetwater. Her talk will be on contemporary interpretive arrangements.

Another Fine Texas Recipe

GRAPEFRUIT AND SHRIMP SALAD

1 Texas Ruby Red grapefruit
Whole boiled shrimp
Lettuce
Cherry tomatoes

Cut grapefruit in half crosswise. Remove every third section and replace with a shrimp. Place on lettuce leaf and garnish with cherry tomatoes. If desired, top with Helen Corbitt's Poppy Seed Dressing.

CITRUS SALAD

1 Texas Ruby Red grapefruit
1 Texas orange

Section fruit and arrange on lettuce leaf. Top with Poppy Seed Dressing.

HELEN CORBITT'S POPPY SEED DRESSING

1 1/2 cups sugar
2 tsp. dry mustard
2 tsp. salt
2/3 cup vinegar
3 Tbsp. onion juice
2 cups salad oil
3 Tbsp. poppy seeds

Mix sugar, dry mustard, salt and vinegar. Add onion juice. Stir thoroughly. Slowly add salad oil. Beat constantly until thick. Add poppy seeds. Beat a few minutes longer. Store in a cool place or refrigerate.



JUDY GLASSCOCK, GRANDDADDY HORTON
... escort to Father-Daughter banquet

Granddaddy Gets Invited To Attend Father-Daughter Fete

What do you do when you haven't got a father to take to the banquet or when you have 2 daughters in scouts and only 1 father?

Well, the answer is very simple for Judy Glasscock, you take Grandfather, especially when he's a favorite anyway. Judy, who has been escorted by Granddaddy Horton for the past 2 years got into a fuss with big sister Debbie about who was taking Granddaddy Hollis Horton. But as you can see, Judy won out as usual.

So, Judy will be escorted by Granddaddy Saturday night Feb. 16 at 7:00 at the school cafeteria. Each girl will bring a decorated Valentine's box supper for her and escort. If there are any Senior Citizens who would like to be escorts for this affair, the Girl Scouts have several little girls waiting for an escort. If interested call 428-

4883, and arrangements will be made. ... Jewel Jensen, Girl Scout field director for Taylor County, will be emcee that night.

Herrera, Higgins Engagement Announced

Paula Elizabeth Herrera of Hamlin and Tommy Joe Higgins of Merkel will be married March 30 in Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Hamlin.

Miss Herrera, daughter of Paul Herrera and Mrs. Harold L. Miller, graduated from Hamlin High School.

Higgins, son of Mr. and

Mrs. Robert B. Higgins of Merkel, graduated from Merkel High School and the University of Texas at Austin. He is employed by the Texas Highway Dept. in Abilene.

Riding Club To Have Work Day

The Merkel Riding Club will have a work day Saturday Feb. 16 at the riding arena beginning at 9 a.m. Members are urged to bring everything from hoses to tractors to help get the riding arena back in shape.

Senior Citizens

The Senior Citizens will have their regular game night Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the Senior Citizen Building.

There will be a special program of music presented by a group from Abilene. There were about 100 Senior Citizens registered at the Tuesday All-Day Luncheon.

A short business meeting was held.

After lunch, games of 88, 42, and dominoes was enjoyed by all. Mrs. Mae Seago and Mrs. L.A. Dudley also played the piano while the group participated in gospel singing.



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4-H News

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Tonya Moore won 1st place in the Senior Side Dish division. She will represent Taylor County at the District Show in March.

Wanda Braune was alternate in the Senior Desserts & Breads division.

Blue ribbon winners were Christy Boone, Cathy Holloway, Lori DuBose, and Marissa Sandusky.

Those receiving red ribbons were Janice Jacobs, Cindy Boone, Loyce Baker, Tammy Thomas, and Dion Wilkerson.

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Merkel, Trent Students To Hear CJC Band

The Cisco Junior College Stage Band, under the direction of Mr. Douglas Fry, will present an assembly program at Merkel High School on Monday, February 18 at 8:45 a.m., and at Trent on the same day at 10:30 a.m. according to an announcement by the CJC Public Relations Office.

Accompanying the stage band will be a group of about eight of the CJC Wrangler Belles dance-drill team, directed by Mrs. Pat Owens.

The stage band and drill team will be presenting their show in Merkel and Trent

as a part of their two-day spring tour of high schools in the Big Country.

The program will be approximately 45 minutes in length, and the general public is invited to be in attendance. There will be no charge for admission.

The Cisco Junior College band, of which the stage band is a part, and the Wrangler Belles were one of the featured attractions in the 1973 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York, and are one of Texas junior colleges' well-known entertainment units.

Adult Education Class Organized At Trent

Trent ISD will sponsor an adult education class at Trent for all non-high school graduates in the area. Participants do not have to live in the Trent School District to participate.

Curriculum of study of the course will include basic English, math and history. All courses of study will be directed to the high school equivalency diploma or the GED test.

An organizational meeting will be held at Trent Schools, Monday, February 18, 1974, at 7:30 p.m. All interested persons are urged to attend.

Additional information may be secured by contacting Dean King, Superintendent of Schools, or by calling 862-2411.



GORILLA GROWL

By CINDY BEASLY

Basketball season ended last Tuesday night in a game against Eula. We saw very fine performance from Sr. Peggy Watson, Gayla Heatly, Tina Hamner, Russell Allen, Lonnie Riggan, and Bill Griffith, in their last high school game.

Several sophomore, junior, and senior girls attended the Health Career's Day at Hendricks Hospital last Tuesday. It was a very interesting day. Thursday, Valentine's Day, is going to be "Kid Day" at Trent High. Everyone is supposed to dress as a "kid." Early Thursday morning, we will crown "King and Queen of Hearts."

Last period will be a Valentine Party with bubble gum blowing contests and yo-yo contests. Prizes will be given to the two "best-dressed kids."

See ya next week. Happy Valentine's Day.



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PHOTO CONTEST

The following children's pictures were taken at Crawford's recently in a Photo Contest:

TOP ROW: Left to right, Melissa Harris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Harris; Anthony and Deen Patton, son and daughter of Mr.

and Mrs. Billy Patton; Steven Bierz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Juan Bierz; Debbie and Billy Williams, daughter and son of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Williams.

SECOND ROW: Left to right, second place, Eric Herring, son of Mr. and Mrs. Deryl Herring; Melissa Dickerson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Dickerson; Shelle Doan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Doan; Tanya Beasley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Beasley; Jerry Collier, son of Mrs. LeAnn Collier; and Kristi Hatley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hatley.

THIRD ROW: Left to right, Bradley Bishop, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bishop; Lori and Mark Aldridge, daughter and son of Mr. and Mrs. Konnie Aldridge; first place, David Thomas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Thomas; Pam Neff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Neff; Christopher Scott Cannon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Cannon.

FOURTH ROW: Left to right, Kelly and Kevin, daughter and son of Mr. and Mrs. David Roney; David Glasscock, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Glasscock; Stephen Schultz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Schultz; Chad and Jill Pack, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Pack.

FIFTH ROW: Left to right, Jay Gibson, son of Mrs. Betty Gibson; Sean Leamons, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Leamons; Bridgett Vaughn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Vaughn; Jason Mashburn, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Mashburn; Tommy and Lynn Hays, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hays.

SIXTH ROW: Left to right, Angie and Amy Weiborn, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Weiborn; Tony Duran, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Duran; third place, Lee Leverich, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Leverich; Randy Leverich, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Leverich; Penny Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith; Ann Wooten, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Wooten.

SEVENTH ROW: Left to right, Angela Carson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Randy Carson; Angela Cannon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Cannon; and Kimberly Van Arsdale, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Van Arsdale.

Eighth row: Left to right, Melissa Harris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Harris; Anthony and Deen Patton, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Patton; Steven Bierz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Juan Bierz; Debbie and Billy Williams, daughter and son of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Williams.

Ninth row: Left to right, Eric Herring, son of Mr. and Mrs. Deryl Herring; Melissa Dickerson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Dickerson; Shelle Doan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Doan; Tanya Beasley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Beasley; Jerry Collier, son of Mrs. LeAnn Collier; and Kristi Hatley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hatley.

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Fourteenth row: Left to right, Angela Carson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Randy Carson; Angela Cannon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Cannon; Kimberly Van Arsdale, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Van Arsdale.

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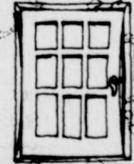
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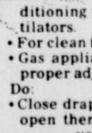


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- Fireplace damper for tight fit.
- For holes and leaks around window air conditioning units and roof top ventilators.
- For clean filters regularly.
- Gas appliances periodically for proper adjustments.



- Close drapes on sunny days and open them on dark ones, when using gas air conditioning. Reverse this process when using gas furnace.
- Leave thermostat at comfortable setting.
- Drain approximately one gallon of water



- per month from water heater to prevent mineral deposits from building up.
- Repair leaky hot water faucets.
- Use lids for pots and pans to reduce need for higher flame.
- Don't:
- Run partial loads in dryers, washing machines or dish washers.
- Block air conditioning vents, or in the case of heating, the hot air vents.
- Cool or heat unused rooms.
- Use higher flame on range than required.
- Pre-heat the oven any longer than necessary.



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