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**Taylor Electric** 

Incumbent officers and di-

rectors were elected from

their respective zones at the

34th annual meeting of Tay-

lor Electric Cooperative,

Inc., April 17, at the Taylor

From Zone I which is Tay-

lor County, incumbent J. Ri-

ley Miller was elected over

his opponent M. J. Rutland.

seat for Zone II which encom-

passes Callahan, Eastland,

Jones and Shackelford Coun-

ties. His opponent was Ralph

Zone III incumbent Clovis

McElmurray was elected

over Foy Yarbrough. Zone

III is comprised of Coke,

Fisher and Nolan Counties.

three directors from each

zone; one being elected each

year for a three year term.

Members attending the an-

nual meeting voted on all di-

rectors nominated regard-

Following adjournment of

the meeting, the Board metin

closed session for the elec-

tion of officers. Re-elected

without opposition were, pre-

sident and chairman of the

board, O. S. Moore; vice

president, R. C. Watts; and

secretary - treasurer, Jack

In welcoming the Taylor

Electric Cooperative, Inc. to

the Taylor County Coliseum,

Judge Roy Skaggs commended

The Board is made up of

Alton Whiteaker kept his

County Coliseum.

McAdams.

less of zone.

Morrow.

**Elects Incumbents** 

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MERKEL, TEXAS - THURSDAY, APRIL 24, 1975

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Taylor Electric Cooperative,

Inc. have gone over 500 days

without a lost-time accident.

Mr. Hart clarified the rumor

that REA is bankrupt. There

was confusion recently when

a news broadcast stated that

REA is broke. The REA to

which the newsman referred

was a freight express com-

pany. The Rural Electric ad-

ministration is by no means

in financial trouble and Tay-

lor Electric plans to make

application for a new loan in

the near future, Mr. Hart

said. The checking and re-

placement of poles continues.

Over 48,000 pcles and 3,000

miles of line in the system

will be checked and serviced

by 1980. Supplies and materi-

ials are plentiful now, how-

ever, price has not come

decrease of utility bills in

sight. Facing a 79% increase

in fuel costs over this time

last year, utility companies

and co-ops can no longer

absorb the costs, but must

pass a portion of the costs

on to the customer in the

form of fuel cost on utility

bills. TEC is able to give

customers better rates than

West Texas Utilities because

they purchase some of their

power from other power com-

panies. Engineers and re-

searchers are working to cut

expenses and develop new

power sources. Emphasis is

prizes, presentation of ser-

vice awards and election of

"Bad news" included no

down.

# Final Registration Set For Miss Softball America

1975 Miss Softball America program in Merkel will be held April 24 at 7 p.m. The registration will be held at 204 Yucca. Any girl wishing to play this season is invited to come by and register for the program. Girls are needed for each

## **Pageant Pictures** Ready

Mrs. Pat Castille, president of Lambda Beta, has announced that the pictures of the recent beauty pageant have arrived and are ready tend the meeting which is for persons buying them to slated at the Holiday Inn, pick them up.

"I have the pictures at the store (Castille Hardware) and persons may come by and Yucca in Merkel at 8:45 a.m. pick them up," Mrs. Cas-

15-18 age division, a spokesman for the organization said. Persons having a question concerning the program are invited to come to the meeting and talk to one of the board members. The program is for girls in this

On April 28 there will be a meeting at 204 Yucca for all coaches, managers, umpires, chaperones, player representative, all coordinators for each division, and anyone who is interested in helping with the program this season. The meeting will be at 7 p.m.

A representative from Merkel will be attending a meeting on May 3rd concerning the rule book and certification of umpires. A spokesman for Miss Softball America has urged all prospective umpires to at-IH 20, in Sweetwater at 9:30 a.m. Persons attending have been invited to meet at 204

### and go to Sweetwater as a Beta Sigma Phi Organization

Beta Sigma Phi, a social, cultural and service organization for women, plans the celebration of the 44th Anniversary of its founding. Celebrations will take place in the 24 countries in which the organization's 250,000 members in 10,500 chapters exist. The organization is not connected with any school or college and is non-political and non-sectarian. The keynote of Beta Sigma Phi is friendship.

April 30th is the anniver-sary day and the week of April 27th to May 3rd has been proclaimed Beta Sigma Phi Week in many states and cities throughout the United States.

Celebrations this year will also emphasize International Women's Year which is taking place throughout the

Chapters of five different degrees meet the growing needs of various age groups. Members are active in small Chapter groups and each chapter adapts the plans for cultural activities to fit the interests of its members. When Beta Sigma Phi

'sn's or civic endeavors are ir than one Chapter canalone, all Chapters in ty or area may combine or strength. There are e Conventions each year which any member may attend.

Internationally the Chapters have created three special funds: The International Loan Fund, through which members help one another; the International Endowment Fund, through which vast sums have been donated to cancer research, cystic fibrosis, homes for under-pri-Vileged children, and many other causes; and the Exem-

Will Celebrate 44th Anniversary plar Fund, which helps to support Literacy Village in India.

Outstanding projects and activities of the Lambda Beta local Chapter are: A Holiday. Tasting Tea, Seniors-Ice Cream Social, T-Shirt League, Starr Nursing Home, Re-Hab center, Beauty Pageant, and a Lady of the Year. The Founder's Day celebration on April 26, 1975, at the Abilene Civic Center marks the 44th Anniversary of the founding. The organization was founded in Abilene, Kansas, by Mr. Walter W. Ross. The Anniversary will be observed by the Chapter here in Merkel and by all other Chapters around the world. Awards will be presented to local members and outstanding members will be recognized. The theme for the new year, "Let Heritage Ring," will be officially

### **Poster Winners Announced**

launched.

Winners of the Merkel Fire Department's poster contest were announced this week. The contest was held for primary through Junior High students.

The winners are: Primary Division, 1st, Eddie Martin of 1421 N. 2nd; 2nd, Stormy Magee, Box 550; and 3rd, Judy Castille of Rt. 3.

Elementary division, 1st, Tammie Cunningham, 1428 N. 1st; 2nd, Shiela Adair, Rt. 3; and 3rd, Judy Castille of Rt.

Junior High division, 1st, Kim Kennedy, Tye; and 2nd, Sherry Roeder of 111 Oak in Merkel.



SPRUCING UP CITY HALL - Members of the City of Merkel staff are pictured painting the City Hall building. They are, from left to right, Raymond Moreno, Joe Duran, Robert Harris, and Annette Melton. (Staff Photo)

## Mrs. Criswell **Buried Tuesday**

Mrs. Fannie Criswell, 76, of Merkel was dead on arrival at Hendrick Memorial Hospital Saturday morning of natural causes. Services were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Starbuck Funeral Chapel.

Larry Gill, minister of Merkel Church of Christ, officiated, Burial was in Knox City Cemetery.

Born May 28, 1898, in Eastland County, she moved to Merkel in the early 1960s. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include a son, Alton Hendon of Warner Robins, Ga.; a daughter, Margaret Trusler of Tampa, Fla., two brothers, Grady Williams of Abernathy and Loyd Williams of Nocona; a sister, Irene Tettleton of Nocona; 12 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

### **Merkel Resident's Brother Dies**

The brother of Mr. E. G. Williams of Merkel, W. N. Williams, formerly of Trent, passed away Monday, April 21, after a lengthy illness. Mr. Williams was living at Post, Texas, at the time of his death. He was born January 7, 1889.

He is survived by his wife, Lela, eight daughters, five brothers, one sister, several grandchildren and greatgrandchildren.

Services were held at the Church of Christ at Post with burial at the Post City Ceme-

# **Riding Club Opens Season**

The Merkel Riding Club kicked off its riding season with a Queen Contest Saturday afternoon at the riding arena. The Queen for 1975 is Shelli Stout, 1st runnerup is Mary Beth Phillips. In the Jr. Queen contest the winner was Lisa Dokey and 1st runnerup was Dee Dee Masonheimer. The results of the events

Saturday night were: WESTERN PLEASURE (12 and under) - 1. Jan Melton, 2. Ann Melton, 3. Leslie Masonheimer, 4. Sherry Williams, 5. Dee Dee Mason-

WESTERN PLEASURE (13 and Over) - 1. Barbara Whisenhunt, 2. Lyn Dokey, 3. Benny Melton, 4. L. J. Gray, 5. Jim Allday,

BOOT RACE (5 and Under)-1. Luci Masonheimer, 2. Kyle Coker, 3. Tiffany Allday, 4. Mike Boyd, 5. James Mason-

BOOT RACE (6-8) - 1. Kevn Coker, 2. Mike Dokey, 3. Robby Williams,

BARREL RACE (12 and Under) - 1. Jay Gibson 19.6, 2. Sherri Williams 21.1, 3. Lisa Dokey 22.2, 4. Vicki Campbell 22.6, 5. Buddy Stout

BARRELS (13 and Over)-1. Mary Beth Phillips 18.1, Barbara Whisenhunt 18.2, Lavena Vaughn 18.7, 4. Walter Whisenhunt 18.8, 5. Jim Allday 19.1.

FLAG RACE (12 and Under) - 1. Jan Melton 10.4, 2. Ann Melton 10.6, 3. Sherri Williams 10.7, 4. Mike Dokey 11.1, 5. Buddy Stout 11.5. FLAG RACE (13 and Over)- Lavena Vaughn 9.5, 2. Mary Beth Phillips 9.4, 3. Cindy Boone 9.5, 4. Lyn Dokey 9.6,

5. Jim Allday 9.9. POLES (12 and Under)-1. Eddie Sparks 31.0, 2. Ann Melton 31.4, 3. Sherri Williams 32.0, 4. Lisa Dokey 36.6, 5. Buddy Stout 38.3. POLES (13 and Over) -

1. Cindy Boone 24.9, 2. Barbara Whisenhunt 25.6, 3. Mary Beth Phillips 26.0, 4. Jarrett Pinckley 26.8, 5. Jim Allday 27.0.

MOUNT CHANGE-1. Felix Boyd and Jarrett Pinckley 15.6, 2. Jim Allday and Obie Coker 20.3, 3. Buddy Stout and Shelli Stout 22.1, 4. Lisa Dokey and Lyn Dokey 23.7, 5. Cindy Doan and Sherry Williams 27.8.

JUDGE ROY SKAGGS, PRESIDENT, C. S. MOORE ... judge addresses annual Coop meeting

# Merkel Cancer Crusade Monday

The Merkel Chapter of the American Cancer Society will hold a Neighborhood Cancer Crusade canvas in Merkel Monday, April 28. Volunteers will make a house to house canvas of the city to raise funds for the Soceity, Members of the local chapter and other volunteers will be wearing name tags furnished by the American Cancer Society so that persons being called on will know that their donations are official.

Mrs. Paula Douglas, chairman of the Merkel crusade, said that the organization hopes to reach every home in the city as this is an educational campaign as well as fund raising. Volunteers will leave a pamphlet at each home that explains the seven

warning signals of cancer. Mrs. Douglas issued an appeal for additional workers for the canvas, "We can use additional workers and would appreciate volunteers calling me at 928-5218 or call Mrs. Iris Amerine at 928-4876 if they can help with the drive." she said.

All money donated in the Merkel drive will stay in Texas and will be used for research, education and providing services to cancer patients, Mrs. Douglas explained.

Mrs. Douglas said that one out of every 4 persons born

### **Mother-Daughter Banquet Set** By FHA Club

Merkel Future Homemakers held a Mother-Daughter Supper at the Merkel Country Club Monday

The FHA girls furnished the meat for the meal while the mothers furnished desserts, vegetables and salads. The supper activities also included the installation of the new officers for 1975-76. Speakers for the evening

were Mrs. Grimes, and Candy Proctor. Mrs. Grimes, FHA sponsor, spoke on 'Gainful Homemaking.' Candy Proctor spoke on 'usual Homemak-

There are 27 girls enrolled in the Homeaking class at Merkel High School.

### Jr. High Chooses Cheerleaders

The 1975-76 Merkel Jr. High Cheerleaders are Jodie Jinkens, Kim Mashburn, Lisa Shugart, Gwen Tarpley, and Becky Watts. These girls have began a project to earn their way to summer cheerleading camp. Anyone needing any odd jobs done such as yard work, house cleaning, window washing etc. may call get in touch with any of the girls or call 928-5002 or call 928-5979 aft - 3:30 p.m.

today will have some type of cancer during their lifetime. "With this fact in mind, we need to fight cancer with research and this takes money.

We would appreciate donations from civic organications as well as individuals. Our goal has been set at \$500," she said.

## Merkel Jr. High Girls Win 2nd in District Meet

The Jr. High track girls won 2nd in the District track meet held in Merkel April 17. The girls ended up with a total of 118 team points. Jim Ned won the meet with 134 1/2 points. The girls did very well and had great spirit and determination.

Listed below is how each girl placed, and the time ran in the event: 60 yd. dash - 2. Becky Watts, 8.0; 5. Kim Kennedy,

100 yd, dash - 3. Kim Kennedy, 12,9; 6. Gwen Tarpley,

220 yd. dash - 3. Kathryn Irvin, 29.3; 4. Becky Watts, 330 yd. Relay - 3. Kelly Ma-

gee, 50.2 440 yd. Relay - 3. Kim Kennedy, Gwen Tarpley, Kathryn Irwin, and Becky Watts; 56.4

880 yd. Relay - 3. Carla Gardner, Gay Pfiester, Lisa Shugart, Diana Bien; 2:07. 1320 yd. Relay - 2. Sherry Ascensio, Lisa Shugart, Kelly Magee, Sharon Dosser;



PAM KING . . . UIL meet winner

### Pam King Wins 1st in Poetry Interpertation

Pamela King, a Junior at Trent High School, was named 1st place winner in Poetry Interpretation at the Regional UIL Meet in Brownwood last Friday. On May 2, she will go to the State Meet in Austin, where she will read at 1:30 p.m.

Miss King has represented Trent at District and Regional meets for the past three years in the poetry division. She is the daughter of Superintendent and Mrs. Dean King.

77' 3 3/4"; 3. Gay Pfiester,

Watts, 28' 1 1/2".

## NOTICE

The Merkel Riding Club will hold a Jack-Pot Roping at the clubs Merkel arena 26th. The 2 steer average will

Shot - 3. Theresa Cox, 25' 3 7/8": 4. Pam Crenshaw, 24'

High Jump - 2. Gina Farmer, 4'6"; 3. Pfiester, 4'4". Long Jump - 6. Diana Bien,

Triple Jump - 3. Becky

at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, April be \$15 per team.

The Towne Crier Party

Room was the scene of The

Trent Junior-Senior Banquet

on Saturday, April 19, at 8:00

p.m. The theme of the Ban-

quet was "A Time For Us"

carried out with favors of

Swords in Stones and Red

and Silver programs, Red

Candles adorned each table.

Pictures were made prior

to the Banquet by Don Hutch-

After the meal, Debra Gre-

gory introduced Superinten-

dent Dean King who presented

each member of the Senior

Class, along with some of

their major achievements

Pam King, then gave the Wel-

come after which entertain-

ment was provided by Billy

Wilson of ACC. The prophecy

was presented to the Senior

Class by Patricia Boyd and

Pam King, both Juniors. Sen-

ior Becky White read the will

In closing, Pam King read the poem, "A Time For Us."

Patricia Boyd expressed

Junior Class President,

inson of Abilene.

while at THS.

for the Juniors.

Open House

Planned Sunday

For VanArsdales

27th, from 3 to 5 p.m.

tist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Van

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Hosting the open house will

be Melinda Simpson, Kathy

Sturdevant, Lee Ann Collier,

and Cena Choppell.

the second mobile home one

block west of the First Bap-

Arsdale will be honored with an open house Sunday, April

Trent Jr.-Senior Banquet

Held in Abilene April 19

### the Taylor Co-op and all co-ops for what REA has done to still on the conservation and wise use of the energy we light and enlighten rural Am-Members received their Steve Walker, a Merkel dividend checks for the first native and ministerial stuhalf of 1963 at the meeting. dent who has performed with Following drawing for door

Billy Graham Crusades, entertained prior to the business meeting.

The business meeting was conducted by attorney Maurice Brooks, who declared a quorum to be present. The financial statement

presented by secretary Jack Morrow showed the Taylor Electric Cooperative, Inc., to have assets of \$7,098,183.61 and liabilities of \$3,692,706 .-49. Total revenue for 1874 was \$2,198,460,42 and total expenses were \$1,843,379.99. Taylor Electric Coopera-

tive, Inc. Manager Don Hart gave members "good news" and "bad news." On the good

the good wishes of the Jun-

ior Class for the future of

Mrs. Lou David Allen and

Mrs. Bruce Thomas are Jun-

ior Class Sponsors Mrs.

the Seniors.

Sponosrs

### directors, the meeting was 14 Service Awards Presented At Taylor Electric Meet

Lee Ybarra was presented a gold watch for his 25 years of service with the laylor Electric Cooperative, Inc., at their annual meeting April 17, in Taylor County Coliseum.

Presenting awards to twelve employes and two directors was Don Hart, manager of Taylor Electric Coop. Directors receiving awards were J. D. Sandusky for five years' service and Tommie Johnson for 10 vears' service.

Employe service awards went to Lee Ybarra, 25 years; Tommy Cutler and Bob Hook, 20 years; Mack Bigbee, Jimmy Leverich and Inez Purser. 15 years; Jane Carson and J. D. Gentry, 10 years; and Monty Land and Mr. Bob Ronnie Doan, Gary Smith, Campbell are Senior Class Jo Ann Smith and Betty Lu Satterwhite, 5 years.

### Trent FFA Wins Big Country **Coop Farm Mechanics Contest**

Country Rural Electric Coop Farm Mechanics contest April 15. Trent received trophies for overall high point team, high team in wlding, plumbing, electrification, and tool identification. Winning individual trophies were Kenny Nance overall high point individual, high point in welding and tool identification.

Trent FFA won the Big Alan Morse, high point in plumbing, and Steve Bland high point in electrification. There were four team members: Steve Bland, son of Mr. and Mrs. R.L. Bland; Jimmy Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Adams, Kenny Nance, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Nance and Alan Morse, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Poindexter.



CONTEST WINNERS - Pictured with their trophies are the winners of the Big Country Rural Coop Farm Mechanics contest. They are 1 to r, Alan Morse, Steve Bland, Jimmy Adams, Kenny Nance, and Rocklan King, Ag teacher.

### Goodman HD

The Goodman Home Deonstration Club will meet Friday, April 25, in the home of Mrs. Jennings Winters, 111 Marion St with a covered dish luncheon. Beginning at 2:30 p.m., Mrs. Dan Butler will present the program on "Furniture and Wood Care." Everyone is invited regardless of race, creed, or color.

### SPECIAL SAVINGS FOR MOTHERS DAY

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# Former Merkelite's **Husband Superintendent**

The following article was printed April 10 in the Crosbyton Review. Gardner is the son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Wyman Adcock. His wife is the former Andria Jeanette Adcock. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Ward Gardner of Aspermont.

A 32-year-old man who has rapidly climbed the educational ladder during his 10year tenure as a teacher, elementary principal, assistant superintendent and superintendent, will become superinintendent of Crosbyton Independent School District on

Gary M. Gardner, presently superintendent of the Wilson Independent School District, was hired Tuesday night by the board of education to a two-year contract which extends through June 30, 1977.

Gardner was selected from a field of aspirants which originally numbered "over 60" including some individuals now in AAA and AA schools. Although Crosbyton has long been A school, local educators believe it quite probably will be advanced to AA classification for the 1976-77

The new superintendent "was most highly recommended" by present and past associates and trustees.

He will succeed the late Sam T. Hawkes, who headed the Crosbyton school system for 19 1/2 years prior to his March 12 death. School board members em-

phasize that Interim Superintendent Rodger B. Carter "will continue in that posi-tion until July 1." Gardner is completing his

third year as superintendent at Wilson.

Prior to that time, he

with national, state and county professional education organizations, Gardner is active in civic affairs. His activities include: held various offices and director of Wilson Lions Club, chairman of the Community Welfare Committee, director on both heart and cancer associations. Little League coach and director, chamber of commerce member, director of rodeo and riding clubs.



GARY M. GARDNER

served as assistant superintendent during the 1970-71 and 1971-72 school years at

Colorado City, a AAA school A Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Elementary Education, was conferred on future Supt. Gardner from Abilene Christian College on May 24, 1985. Two years later he earned a Master of Education from the same school, with a major in Elementary Principalship. He also completed a 60-hour administrative certificate

course from ACC in 1970. Gardner entered the educational field during the 1965-66 school year as a fifth grade teacher, football, basketball and baseball coach in a Lubbock elementary school. The following year he was a supervisor and reading teacher in Aspermont.

His administrative duties began as elementary pincipal in Sonora during the 1967-68 and 1968-69 terms. In addition to affiliation

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Wedding Vows Read

Baze-Cheuvront

Steven Paul Cheuvront ex-

changed wedding vows in a

double ring ceremony on

April 4 at the North Phoe-

nix Baptist Church. Dr. Rich-

ard Jackson officiated at the

candle light service attended

are Mr. and Mrs. Billy Mor-

ris Baze of Phoenix and the

late Mr. Paul Cheuvront and

Mrs. Cheuvront, also of

Phoenix. The bride is the

granddaughter of Mr. and

Mrs. William Earl Baze of

802 Oak Street, Merkel and

The newlyweds's parents

by friends and relatives.

Honor attendants were Miss Carol Graves and Jerry Cheuvront, brother of the groom. Included in their eight attendants were Junior Bridesmaid, De Annda Baze, sister of the bride and Jungor Groomsman, Kenneth Cheuvront, newphew of the

Among the guests attending form out of the city was the brides sister, Kathy Baze of

The new Mr. and Mrs. Cheuvront were presented to friends at a reception for 200 following the ceremony.

The bride and groom attended Arizona State University, Tempe, Ariz. Mr. Cheuvront is employed with Cheuvront Enterprises.

Following their wedding trip to a mountain resort in northern Arizona, the couple resides at 3822 North 28th

THE MERKEL MAIL Thursday, April 24, 1975

# Merkel

By WANDA BRAUNE

**TRACKS** 

BADGER

The end of school is fast approaching. The Seniors are busy choosing gifts, addressing invitations and filling out college applications. Many look back and wonder how time could pass so fast, while others wonder if the last

day of classes will ever come. Lubbock was the scene of cheers and tears this past weekend. Derrell Riggan and Doug Hutchings won at the Regional track meet and will advance to the State meet this weekend. The girls track team did a great job in representing Merkel.

The Regional UIL Literary meet was also held at Lubbock. Marlon White, Beverly Mawson and Janie Clark were the only ones to place. The other contestants from Merkel also did a marvelous

Tuesday marked the beginning of the Student Council election campaigns. They will end on Friday and the elections will be held on next Tuesday. It should prove to be quite an election. The candidates are:

President-Danny DuBose Vice President - Lonnie Carter and Gayla Toliver. Secretary - Kathryn Murrell and Freda Crenshaw.

Business Manager-Sherry West, Jerre Smith and Marlon White.

Christy Bocne and Rita

Reporter - Susie Toombs,

That's all for now ----FOUR WEEKS TO GO ---

SENIOR CITIZENS SCHEDULE EVENTS 1st Monday of Month singing 2nd Tuesday Noon Covered Dish Luncheon. Game Nights Every Thurs. & 4th Monday 4th Thurs. GAME Night Reserved for Talented Amateur.

4-H News

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Monday, April 14th, was the regular 4-H meeting. There were eight present for the

meeting. The group decided to paint tires for the Merkel Park for their group project. The tires will be used for Sandboxes

in the Park. There were 4 participating in County Eliminations Hardin-Simmons on April 12 They are: Christi Boone, Cathy Holloway, Tonya Moore and John Townsend. They will go to District in San Angelo

May 3rd. All won Blue Rib-Shawn Moore, President of Merkel 4-H, attended a District Council Meeting. two weeks ago at Fredricksburg,

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### WEBELOS **NEWS**

Webelos from Cub Scout night camp out this weekend. Those attending were Kyle Wolf, Peter James, Michael Tutt, Tim Brady, Greg Dickerson, Chris Mashburn, Calvin Cooley, W. A. Kinder and Eugene Ford. All of these Webelos completed their Outdoorsman Activity Badge.

The Webelos would like to thank Boy Scouts Drew Mawson and Brad Wade from Troop 18, for going and help-ing in many areas. Brad wade received his First Class Rank and Cooking Merit Badge at the campfire Saturday night. We would also like to thank Rev. Kenneth James for helping throughout the campout and also for having Church Services on Sunday for the

### **MEREL-TYE** SCHOOL MENU

THURSDAY Spagnetti and ground beef, Combination Salad, Choice of Dressing, Buttered Corn, Garlic Bread, Apicot Halves and Milk.

FRIDAY Chili Dogs w/pickle relish, French Fries, Onions and Catchup, Cookies, Orange Juice and Milk. MONDAY

Tacos and Taco Sauce, Lettuce, Tomatoes, and Cheese, Corn, Chocolate No - Bake Cookies, and Milk.

TUESDAY Barbeque Beef, potatoes au Gratin, Seasoned Spinach, Hot Rolls, Fruited Jello and

WEDNESDAY Chicken Fried Sliced Tur-

key, Whipped Potatoes, Green Beans, Cranberry Sauce and Apricot Cobbler, Milk. THURSDAY Beef and Cheese Casse-

role, Combination Salad, Choice of Sald Dressing, Garlic Bread, Sliced Peaches and FRIDAY Hamburgers or Cheese-

burgers, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Onions, Pickles, Pork and

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she is serving as President.

She has received the honor

the year of 73-74. Mr. and

Mrs. Rosey Castille reside

on a farm on the outskirts

children (two of which are

married and live in Abi-

lene). They also own and

operate the Castille's Hard-

ware store in Merkel. Mr.

# GET ACTION USE CLASSIFIEDS Lambda Beta Founder's The Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi celebrated local Founder's Day on April 19, 1975, at the Methodist on such committees as Service, Program, chairman of Day Celebration Held Park Castille is a flight engineer at the Dyess Air Force Base. Some of Mrs. Castille's hobbits are sewing, gardening, with and Mrs. Harold hertz, Mr. and Mrs. Harold hertz, Mrs. Harold hertz, Mr. and Mrs. Harold hertz, Mrs. PHONE 928 - 5712 -

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A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Parties were married on or about February 5, 1960 and separated on or about January 4, 1971; Following children were born to this marriage, David Lee 10-20-61, Anita Jean, 4-4-63, Jason Carl, 9-19-65, managing conservator is Beula Wynne Love, no service necessary at this time; children are presently in the Hendricks Homeforchildren; certain community property has been accumulated; as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Pe-

tition on file in this suit. If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs. Issued and given under my hand the seal of said court at

Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, this the 10th day of April A.D. 1975. (SEAL) Attest: Irene Crawford, Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor

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Edwin Krauss, Defendant. A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: parties were married on or about April 5, 1956 and separated on or about September 15, 1957; marriage has become insupportable because of discord and/or conflict of personalities; petitioner would show that she and the respondent have no community property; petitioner and respondent have no children under the age of 18 years; as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs. Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, this the 14th day of April A.D. 1975. (SEAL)

Attest: Irene Crawford, Clerk, Domestic Relations Court Taylor County, Texas. By Sandra Van Cleave, Deputy.

church work, youth activities,

and antiques. Pat Castille will be honored as "Woman of the Year" at the Annual Founder's Day banquet and dance on April 26 to be held at the Abilene Civic Center. Also at this time the Man of the Year will be honored (which will be kept as a surprise until that

evening). Pres ent were Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Jr. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Seymore, Mr.

Pat Castille, Glenda Teaff, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hohhertz, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Yaddow, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Lucas and Guest Mr. and Mrs. Mike Couch.

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## Trent Athletic Banquet May 2nd

gymnasium will be the A- activities.

On Friday night, May 2, wards Program. All parents the Athletic Banquet for Trent and friends are invited to High School will be held in attend the Program, during the cafeteria at 7:00 p.m. which awards will be pre-Beginning at 8:00 p.m. in the sented for all phases of school

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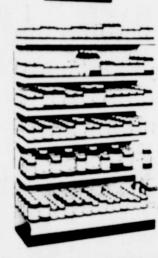
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The chosen wedding colors of pink and white were used in party decorations. A basket of pink gladiolas and white stock centered the tea table. Honor guests with Miss Shanks were her mother, Mrs. Hal Shanks and the mother of the bridegroom to be, Mrs. Don King.

Members of the hostess group were Mesdames Max Murrell, John Young Jr., Clyde Irvin, E. A. Connally, J. H. Clark Jr., Leon Harris, Bruce Knight W. T. Sadler, Clyde Allred, Andrew Baker, Alice Osborn, Bob Garner, Lem Dudley, S. D. Gamble, A. McNary, Larry Justice, John West, Bill Teaff, and Miss Christine Collins.

### FHA Girls Attend State Meeting

FHA girls went to the state FHA meeting held in San Antonio Thursday and Friday, April 17 and 18,

The class was represented by four of the officers. They were Susie Toombs, Rhonda White, Jerrie Stephan, and Christy Boone,

Theme of the meeting was "Reach Out and Touch - Pass It On." The ideal behind the theme is for member of the FHA clubs to relate to people and to smile at people when they don't smile at you and to spread their love. Mrs. Mary Grimes is the FHA sponsor.

# Garden Club

Mrs. E. J. Patterson and Mr.s Mary Click entertained members of the Merkel Garden Club April 17 in the Fellowship Hall of the Methodist Church.

Arrangements of Iris decorated tables where re-freshments were served. A most informative program was given by Pev. Jack Mc-Clendon on organic gardening. He brought samples of soil which had been fertilized stressing the availability of so many fertilizers found in this locality. He advised everyone to keep putting back into the soil those chemicals

that nature had taken out. Plans were made to make the Red Cross drive at the close of the meeting. Those present were Mesdames Oda Clark, R. M. Ferguson, Mack Fisher, S. D. Gamble, Odis Griffin, Ora Griggs, Dee Grimes, Allen King, Tom Russom, W. T. Sadler, John Shannon, Charlie Sherrill, Aaron Sudderth, G. R. Peachy, Andy Shouse, E. J. Patterson, Mary Click and Miss

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### First Grade

"A" Honor Roll - Artie Ascencio, Monica Atkinson, Cammie Bright, Kevin Coker, Sue Cunningham, Dean Franklin, Amy Irvin, Lorie Kimbrell, Barbara Kinder, Kelly Riney, Devin Sanford, Regina Stuckey, and Lucretia Wade.

"A-B" Honor Roll - Ricky Hair, Chris Horton, Gayle Landeros, Randy Pallarez and Robert Oden.

### Second Grade

"A" Honor Roll - Benny Allgaier, Jerry Davis, David Glasscock, Missy Jones, Corbet Putman, Cresencia Vasquez, and Cindy Williams.

"A-B" Honor Roll-James Allday, Bobby Biera, Donnie Brady, Connie Branton, Randy Davis, Tami Elliott, Brian Ford, Ken Hogan, Tim Jacobs, Cody Johnson, Darren Pack, Melody Pape, Michael Reddin, Gayle Richie, Kenny Sims, Shane Smith, Marsha Tutt, Tamara Watson, Dena Watts, Jenny Wilder, Sean

### Third Grade

"A" Honor Roll - Lori Aldridge, Angela Allen, Scott Alves, Bonnie Anderson, Trayla Gregory, Tommy Hays, Brenda Hohhertz, Rus-

sell Lucas, and Cindy Sims. "A-B" Honor Roll-Steven Davis, Jill Douglass, Joan Fariello, Judy Jinkens, Casey Johnson, Carlton Kincaid, Billy Niemann, Kimberly Pack, Denise Wheeler, and Pam Wheeler.

### Fourth Grade

"A" Honor Roll - Tina Bicknell, Rosie Biera, Tammye Cloyd, Melinda Holmes, Stormy Magee, Kandy Richie, Jimmie Shelton, Melissa Tomlinson, and Windi Whi-

"A-B" Honor Roll - Karen Jackson, Diana Landeros, Chris Mashburn, Pam Massey, Jackie Owen, Daryl Peel, Jeff Scott, Tonja Bicknell, Ricky Biera, Tim Brady, Calvin Cooley, Stephanie Fortune, Mike Hagar and Eddie Harris.

### Fifth Grade

"A" Honor Roll - Rene Aiken, Susan Allgaier, Loyce Baker, Nancy Click, Mary Fariello, Larry Hines, Janice Jacobs, Stacy Seymore, Yvonne Swinney, David Wilkerson, Deborah Williams and Ann Wooten.

"A-B" Honor Roll - Kristi Alves, Roberta Duran, Brad Elliot, Royce Fowler, Christine Franklin, Paul Kannel, Sharryl Lucky, O. C. Mc-Keehan, Marie Mozeno, Con-

### Mrs. Demere **Honored On** 83rd Birthday

Mrs. Raymond Demere celebrated her eighty-third birthday Sunday, April 20 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Connie Mack Seymore from 2 to 4 p.m.

Those wishing her happy returns of the day were Mr. and Mrs. Hugh R. King and children Jeante, Allen and Patti of Lake Sweetwater. Mrs. Gary Worthington and daughters Melissa and Monica of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Harden Reed of San Angelo and the following, all of Mer-kel area; Mr. and Mrs. Mack Seymore, Stacy and Ted, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brnovak, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Westow, Bob Reed, Mrs. Tom Russom, Mrs. Will Butman, Suzie Reed, Mrs. A. C. Windham, Jacki Reed, Mrs. Kate Phil-

Mrs. Allen D. King was assisted by Ida Seymore and Patsy King in hosting the

### T.E.L. Class Has **Breakfast Meeting**

Mrs. Claude Warren and Mary Moser hosted a breakfast for the T.E.L. Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church at the Asteroid recently.

Mrs. Jewell Criswell, vice president, was in charge of the business session. Minutes and the treasurers report was given by secretary Bessie Clack, Lucy Ford gave the program entitled 'Grandmother.' Paralee Gibson gave the invocation for the meal.

Members present were Maggie Renfor, Mae Seago, Minnie Coats, Bessie Clack, Bessie Adams, Ora Griggs, Dewey Flemming, Ruby Jinkens, Lucy Ford, Callie Newsom, Jewel Dunagin, Ina Hunter, Ruth Baze, Jewel Criswell, Annie Walker, Paralee Gibson and the hostesses.

nie Page, Leisa Rayburn and Danny Riggan.

### Sixth Grade

"A" Honor Roll - Shelia Adair, Lisa Allen, Manuel Biera, Mark Bland, Christi Brady, Judy Castille, Tammy Davis, Todd Gregory, Kelly Knight and Bart Pursley.

"A-B" Honor Roll - Kay Amerine, Vicki Campbell, Cindy Doan, Randy Martin, Ann Melton, Bill Walters, and Charlotte Watts.

### Seventh Grade

"A" Honor Roll - Shannon Bagby, Billie Blancet, Wendy Hogan, Jodie Jinkens, Kim Mashburn, Tomie Santee, Lisa Shugart, and Dion Wil-

"A-B" Honor Roll - Josh Amerine, Chris Cox, Robert Fowler Chirre Kraatz, Karen Pack, Susan Peachey, Diana Saldona, Marissa Sandusky, John Townsend, Brad Wade and Becky Watts.

### Eighth Grade

"A" Honor Roll - Lesa Hart, Gay Pfiester, Grant Sandusky and Cindy Smith. "A-B" Honor Roll - Cindy Boone, Pam Crenshaw, Darryl Dawson, Lori DuBose, Charleen Fariello, Carla Gardner, Kathryn Irvin, Thomas Kraatz, Kelly Magee, Dede Metts, Carla Rister, Dianne Roberts, Danna Russell, Carla Shelton, Shelia Sloan, Janice South and De-

### Wendell Rehm Fortnightly Speaker

The Fortnightly Study Club met Tuesday, April 15, and was privileged to have as guest speaker. Mr. Wendell Rehm of the Dept. of Public Safety, Mr. Rehm has been with the DPS Department of Safety Education after having served as a patrolman for a number of years. He brought a discussion emphasized greatly by films on "How To Protect Yourself" with special interest to the women in regard to the violent crime

The club was also complimented with the reading of two poems by Miss Phylliss Shanks, who will represent Merkel High School in Lubbock at the UIL meet.

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tine Collins.

Guests and members enjoyed refreshments served by hostess Mrs. Carl Hughes.

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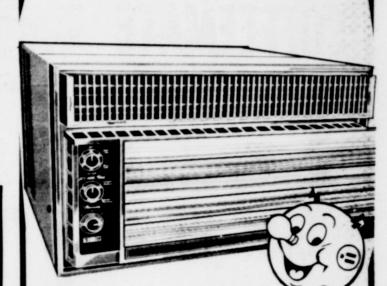
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