# Schools open, Enrollment up 11 per cent 

The Merkel ISD is experiencing an increase in enrollment of more than 10 percent this year anc
all the building improvements and personnel hiring that goes aloong with that new growth
Merkel isD Suerintendent Bill Everett said this week. Than Clyce and Wliie combined,"" Everett said adding that Merkel's increase was 121 students
system wide while Clyde and Wylie together had system wide white
116 new students.
The new students in MISD total 123 to d a te with a few more still expected by the Labor Day
veekend. The largest number of new students weekend. The largest number of new students
have enrollied in Merkel Elementary. Last year the Elementary School had 410 students enrolled
This year that number is 444 an increase of students.
Everett said, "Merkel Elementary is crowded We tried to alievate that problem by bringing
portable buildings over, and they are now place." He alsso added that the cafeteria overcrowding is being postponed by a "stop gap minutes later than usual. In response to the increas in enrollment at the
Elementary School six new teachers nave bee Elementary School six new teachers have been
hired. Lana Hattield will be teaching First Grade. Laura Motes is a Titte One teather Brenda Palmer will be teaching Kinder gar ten as
vill Lee Ann Tarpley. Jan Richard is taking over will Lee Ann Tarpley. Jan Richard is taking over
the Music teaching responsibilitios, and Chery the Music teaching responsibilities, and ent ant
Pieper will be teaching Art at the Elementary The
The Merkel Junior High school had the second largest increase in students with 35 new pupils have been hired for the Junior High as well.
 Danny Doyen will be teaching P.E. and coaching
the Eighth Grade. Pam Mauldin is the new Math teacher, and Terri Nalliey is now the Junior High Librarian. Sally Odenwald will be teaching Special Education at the new Special Education the old oym. Celeste Smeler is the new Science

## Nutrition Meal Program

## Volunteers are the key <br> The tree meal program for senior citizens is <br> for a good meal and to talk to friends and

growing, Mrs. Genevieve King, site manager for the nutrition meals program, said earlier this
week that none of this would be possible if it were week that none of this would be possible if it were
not tor the volunteers and the great job they are doing. It is not the time they are putting into the program that countis. They doit the goor or the people, Mrs. King
said. She added, ". Without the volunteers, we wouldn't be able to have a senior cilizens lunch program" e program has been growing steadily since its 0 meals were served, and last Thursday there as a total of 120 meals serves. With school starting and vacation time over
Mrs. King expects that number to rise. Mrs. King also said that there was a falicy going around that the program was just for poor people and
neighbors. She said that the only requirement to food for the meals is cooked in Tye and brough over in vans every Tuesday and Thursday. The meals usually arrive around 11:30. Heritage Hall is open from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. for senior alongs, exercise, and public speakers. In the past there has been a federal subsidy giveaway of 900 lbs of cheese given to 18 registered senior citizens at 5 ibs per person
Mrs. King said she would like to thank Joh Dudiey and J.A. Sadier for picking the cheese up and for all of their help. Mrs. King added, ${ }^{\prime \prime}$. just cannot express my
gratitude to the volunteers. They are doing such The same can be said for Mrs. King' contributions to the program from the whole


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coaching responsibilitities of Junior haigh Track, P. E. date the Merkel High School has only a To date, the Merkel High School has only a one-student increase over last year. With the recent construction at the new High School and Everett sees plenty of room for the students in the upper grade levels for the next "three to five years". New teachers at the High School number seven. Some are taking new positions while others fill vacated positions. Cherry Curry is the new Assistant Band Director. Rose Marie Davis will be the new Science teacher, and Kay Loftin is a new teacher in English. Two new P.E. Coaches were hired this year, Roy Dudgeon and Kay Warren. Also new to the High School are SyIvia Jinkerson, teaching English and drama and Lisa Ann Walker who will be teaching The enrollment increase is mostly attributed to he migration of families from more depressed areas to boom areas, Texas in general, and this bedroom town'. More people are moving out of Abilene to the small towns because they want heir children educale According to the Texas Education Agency, the $\mathrm{T}_{4} 1 / / \mathrm{million}$ residents in Texas will grow to 25 million by the end of the century, and the growth in public schools is expected to rise from $21 / 4$ million to 4 million at the same time. "Right now, the Texas Education Agency is predicting a 100 student increase in MISD each predicting a 100 student increase in MISD each eear over the coming 17 years. I think that year over the coming 17 years. I think that number is a little conservative. By the year 2000, MISD will have an enrollment of 3000 with a 900 to 1000 student High School," Everett said. Bu even with the expansion and hiring that will cause, that's just tine with Bill Everett. "I would rather be connected with a system that is experiencing growing pains than with a system experiencing growing pains than with a that is having to close schools," he said.




Construction and improvements trying tokeep pace


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Construction and improvements are abundant in the MISD system this year. Some are due to the catching up with the past, according to Bus verett, Superintendent of Merkischoo Improvements include the residing of some Tye Elementary school buildings, and tying into the new sewer system in Tye. Also, students at Tye Elementary wilh now have a covered place to Elementary with now have a covered place to wait to catch their afternoon buses with th completed construction of a cement waiting an At Merkel Elementary the students will be sioding through a recently re-tiled hallway, and he remodeling of several offices next to the High school has been completed

Construction of a new bus barn for the MISD is now underway with the concrete slab completed structure will be con leted with metal sidin hopefully around the beginning of November ndertaken by the maintenance department Oher improvements directly related to MISD 10 percent growth are the moving of some of the School to makérup for the sa new students al


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Mrs. Genevieve King

Boosters organizing, things could get sticky
The Merkel Athletic Booster Club mot in an
organizational meeting and elected officers for organizational meeting and olected officers for
the ispase school year. Elected president was Billy Lucas, vice president is Larry Johnson secretary is Jocille Brady and reporter Beveriy Johnson.
Earl Laird and Ear! Laird and Lee Yaddow were elected to
nead the membership drives. A little incentive tor the two to sell the most memberships wa decided by giving a prize of one pie to the winne
and allowing him to throw it in the loser's face and allowing him to throw it in the oser s face
Beverly Johnson reminds everyone to suppor their tavorite and come wath the loser get the "prize". She also said the turn nout at the tirs
meeting was good and reminds ever yone that the meeting was good and reminds everyone that the
next meeting will be Monday at the Merkel High School. Everyone is invited to attend.

## What is your opinion?

With the passage of Reagan"s tax bill and the steady increase in the stock marke do you think the recession is bottomingout or do you think this is just another bump in the recession rollencoaster?


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## Preceptor Et a Omege, Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, held a Kick Oftt brunch at the Kick-OIf brunch at the Garden Tea Room, Saiter Saturday, August 28 in Abilen Abilene. Members toured the Members toured the Garden Tea gift room, Garden Tea gift rom then were served delicious brunch. Program books were presented to members by the Pr esiden by the Pres Mamie Steck. The program book, the first for Preceptor Eta Omega was dedi- cated to its eleven charter members who

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Coach Winn's pick to win District $2 A$ this year. Trent will face Highland in their next to the last game of the season. One of the Gorillas to watch this season will be
Billy Williams. Billy was All Dhs offensive end as a sophmore. Farrion Hambrick and Matt Jackson should also add some strength for Trent this year. Farrion is the center while
Matt will be playing split end. Benjamin Beaver is the las brothers that have led past Trent teams to winning seasons. Benjamin is one of those backs

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Coach Winn wasn't real impressed with the two scrimmages the team has had so far this season
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