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HARD-WORKING TEACHER - If Carole Venhaus, center, looks tired, it's because she was photographed at 5 a.m. Saturday, as Project Graduation activities were winding down. She, with assistance from her husband, Tom, and volunteer parents, has coordinated the event all 10 years it has been held. A foreign language teacher at Iowa Park High School, she was selected this year as the district's "Teacher of the Year."

TAAS scores improve

TAAS scores of Iowa Park students are going up.

Recently-received results of the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) tests revealed that in Iowa Park schools no grade level or subject area fell below the score of 80.

In a statement released by Supt. Mike Caplinger, he said, "The TAAS scores have shown a continual improvement over the past three years at Iowa Park CISD, and our teachers have done an outstanding job in preparing our students with the necessary subject matter and test-taking skills to master the test."

TAAS is a standardized test that students in grades, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 10 must take. The tests are designed to assess the reading, math and writing abilities of public school students.

Tenth graders have their first opportunity to take the Exit Level TAAS. High school students must pass the exit level test to show mastery of required writing, reading and math skills in order to graduate. If they fail their first attempt in the tenth

grade, they have additional opportunities to re-take the test prior to graduation.

Iowa Park High School sophomores scored higher than the state average on the TAAS exit level exam. Of the 137 students taking the exit test, 95 percent passed the reading exam, compared to 86 percent statewide; 82 percent passed the math test (72 percent statewide); and 93 percent passed the writing portion (88 percent statewide).

School accountability ratings are issued by the state. They are based on the percent of students in all grades passing the TAAS in reading, math, and writing. The dropout rate, attendance rate, and other requirements are also figured in. Iowa Park schools have not yet received accountability ratings.

The TAAS standards for school accountability ratings are:

- * Exemplary - at least 90.0% passing
- * Recognized - 70.0% to 89.9% passing

* Acceptable - 30.0% to 69.9% passing

* Low-Performing - less than 30.0% passing

Attendance Rate - Takes into consideration the attendance rate for the entire school year. Schools must have an attendance rate of 94.0% or higher to receive an accountability rating of Exemplary or Recognized by the state.

Dropout Rate - The report considers what percent of students dropped out in the 1996-97 school year and what percent of students dropped out in the 1995-96 school year. The goal of the state is to reduce the dropout rate to 1.0% or lower.

Dropout rate standards for the school accountability rating are:

- * Exemplary - 1.0% or less dropping out
- * Recognized - 1.1% to 3.5% dropping out
- * Acceptable - 3.6 to 6.0% dropping out
- * Low-Performing - over 6.0% dropping out.

	1997 Scores	1996 Scores	1995 Scores	
I P C I S D	Overall Reading			
	Grade 3	91% passing	87% passing	78% passing
	Grade 4	87% passing	78% passing	74% passing
	Grade 5	93% passing	83% passing	86% passing
	Grade 6	86% passing	85% passing	84% passing
	Grade 7	91% passing	88% passing	84% passing
	Grade 8	91% passing	77% passing	77% passing
	Overall Math			
Grade 3	82% passing	79% passing	78% passing	
Grade 4	89% passing	81% passing	83% passing	
Grade 5	94% passing	84% passing	82% passing	
Grade 6	84% passing	85% passing	74% passing	
Grade 7	89% passing	86% passing	64% passing	
Grade 8	86% passing	60% passing	57% passing	
Overall Writing				
Grade 4	82% passing	85% passing	77% passing	
Grade 8	88% passing	85% passing	86% passing	
Overall Science				
Grade 8	95% passing	78% passing	86% passing	
Overall Social Studies				
Grade 8	81% passing	64% passing	68% passing	
Grade 10 Exit Level Results				
Overall Writing	93% passing	95% passing	96% passing	
Overall Reading	95% passing	88% passing	85% passing	
Overall Math	82% passing	69% passing	70% passing	

Early-morning storm wreaks havoc in city

Effects of an early-morning storm are still being felt throughout Iowa Park, but more especially in city hall and the police department.

The leading edge of the storm had considerable lightening in it which knocked out a considerable amount of equipment at the two offices.

One policeman said city hall took a direct hit from a bolt of lightening. No fire was initiated by the bolt, but its effects have been long-lasting.

All five computer terminals and the printer at the police station were damaged by the bolt, as well as the city radio, the weather station television monitor and the 9-1-1 system and printer.

At city hall, four computer terminals were damaged, but the shock did not affect the mainframe to which they are connected. A personal computer that is not connected to the mainframe was not affected.

Additionally, the offices' large printer which prepares utility billing was made inoperable.

Most of the damaged equipment had either been replaced or repaired by Wednesday, with the exception of the utility billing printer.

Unaffected by all that damage was the city's ability to activate its storm-warning sirens, according to officials.

Police reported numerous building alarm systems being set off by the electrical storm.

However, that equipment was not needed, eventhough a second portion of the storm moved over the city about 3:30, accompanied by extremely high winds and heavy rain.

Lightening damaged a tree at the Tom Burnett Memorial Library, and another one in the 1000 block of Pacific.



AFTERMATH OF THURSDAY'S STORM
... one of two trees felled in Shiloh Addition.

Additionally, two large trees a block apart were felled by the high winds in the Shiloh Addition.

A portion of the structure at the Iowa Park Gun Club at Lake Iowa Park was damaged by high winds.

Barricades were erected on Valley Drive and West Highway, due to high water across roadways.

Street flooding wasn't necessarily due to so much rain -- only 1.04 was measured -- but it was because it fell in such a short period of time.

An additional .14 of an inch also was measured when another storm moved over the city about noon Tuesday, according to Virgil Woodfin.

City looks to improve traffic on West Smith

The city council could alleviate traffic problems on West Smith, if they approve an ordinance on the agenda Monday night.

The meeting is to get underway at 7 p.m. in council chambers.

Numerous complaints pertaining to speed and paving conditions have been registered by residents along that roadway.

If enacted, the ordinance could change both the speed of vehicles, as well as imposing a weight limit on vehicles, traveling Smith.

Two other ordinances are on the agenda, one which would rezone a portion of the 300 block of East Bank from Convenience Commercial to General Commercial, while the other would replat a lot at Third and Access Road.

Two requests for closing streets for activities are to be considered. The Volunteer Fire Dept. wants to close 100 and 200 blocks of East Cash for part of Saturday, June 21, for its annual street dance.

State National Bank seeks to close the north half of 100 West Park most of Friday, Sept. 19, for a hamburger feed in conjunction with Homecoming and the bank's 65th anniversary.

Four resolutions to be considered include amending the year's general fund budget; leasing a portion of right of way in the 100 block of South Pacific; designating Lake Iowa Park as a legal location to set off

fireworks between June 24 and July 4, and accepting the 1995 audit.

The council will be asked to authorize the city's code enforcement office to begin abatement proceedings on several lots and structures which fail to meet existing codes.

Council members met in a called session Monday night for the first in a series of work sessions to prepare the 1997-98 budget. Additional meetings will be held on Mondays when regular sessions are not scheduled.

Golf tourney is Friday

The best players in the community will be determined Friday during the annual All-Iowa Park Golf Tournament.

The tournament, to get underway at 12:30 p.m., will again be held at River Creek Golf Course near Burkburnett.

Primary competition will be the best scratch player among the men and women, and the handicap winner among the men.

The handicap winner traditionally is based on the Callaway Handicap system.

Additionally, a closest to the hole will be determined among both the men and women, as well as the men's longest drive. Special prizes will be awarded to all three winners.

The following groups will play at their designated tee times:

12:30 - Robert Palmer, Ron Woods, Carmen Lozipone, Randy Scobee.

12:37 - Farley Friday, David Friday, Charles Friday, Mike Wade.

12:44 - John Woods, Johnny Woods, Kathy Woods, Daryl Beals.

12:51 - Ray Featherston, Chad Featherston, Arlen Shook, Don Allen.

12:58 - Paul Tigrett, Randy Alsup, Earl Bennett, Dick Bennett.

1:05 - Jim Frazier, Russell Guyette, Dennis Dillard, Bob Hamilton.

1:12 - Wayne Nicholson, Marvin Robertson, John Dressler, Kirk Jensen.

1:19 - Dion Garcia Sr., Dion Garcia Jr., Johnny Garcia, Ronnie Myer.

1:26 - Jeff Shirley, Landon Miller, Johnny Miller, Johnny Dillard.

1:33 - Steve Catlin, Jim Bob Dooley, Max Henderson, Leroy Threet Jr.

1:40 - Patrick Sargent, Randy Welch, Alton Yeakley, Joe Hughes.

1:47 - James Dudley, Tommy Key, Andrea Wright, Don Antle.

1:54 - Beth Johnson, Doug Johnson, Beth Kyle, Dolores Hamilton.

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Lychelle Monday and Don McIlroy

July wedding planned

Rev. and Mrs. Derrell Monday are announcing the engagement and future wedding plans of their daughter, Lychelle, and Don McIlroy.

The groom-to-be is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam McIlroy of Iowa Park.

Vows will be exchanged by the couple July 26 in First Baptist Church,

with the bride-elect's father officiating.

Miss Monday is a graduate of Iowa Park High School and is a junior Mass Communications major at Midwestern State University.

McIlroy, a graduate of Iowa Park High School, is employed by Cryovac.

LIBRARY NEWS

"INCREDIBLE DREAM MACHINE"

We were pleased to have 75 people attend our "School's Out/Summer Reading Registration" last Thursday. A special Thank You to Ray Cage for showing us some magic tricks and to the children who assisted him.

As of Tuesday, we had 74 children signed up to participate in our Reading Program for this year. If you have not signed up but would still like to participate, please fill out a reading log the next time you are in the library. There is no cost to take part in this program.

On Tuesday we had 13 children in both the 3 year old kindergarten and first and second grade classes. Mrs. Wanda Hunter shared with the older group some of the birds we could see in our area if we would just take time to watch.

This Thursday our third and fourth grade and our fifth and sixth grade classes will share memories in a book form to make a story.

A special Thanks to the Iowa Park Optimist Club for the popcorn, and B&R for the beverages.

THANK YOU

To our area merchants who have offered incentive coupons. We wish to express our deepest appreciation for your participation in our "INCREDIBLE DREAM MACHINE" Reading program.

If your child reads at least the amount shown they will receive a

coupon from the sponsoring merchant.

10 books, coupon for 2 donuts by Bake Shop in Iowa Park.

10 books, small ice cream cone or small slush coupon from Sonic Drive in Iowa Park.

10 books, Snoball coupon from Tx. Snoball, Iowa Park.

20 books, Kid's Meal, coupon from Golden Chick, Iowa Park.

All participants, coupon for Child's Buffet from Ken's Pizza.

15 books, coupon for Personal Pan Pizza from Pizza Hut, Iowa Park

2 books, coupon for a hamburger from What-A-Burger.

STORYTIME CLASSES

There will be a storytime class for children two years through Pre-K Friday morning from 9-9:30.



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Don McIlroy

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Local students recognized at MSU

Several students from Iowa Park earned academic recognition at Midwestern State Univ.

Six were named to the Dean's List, for completing the semester with no grade lower than an "A."

They were Deborah Roslyn Tesar Ford, Michelle Lynn Haney, Sharon Renee Holman, Casey Ann Hunter, Jason Paul Miller and Ashli Renee Thomas.

On the University Honor Roll were David Robert Bucher, Matthew Jori Canion, Brandi Carlett Catlin, Tracy Ladona Hale Catlin, Samra Kate Collier, Heather Michelle Dorzab, and Jennifer Laverl Eiben.

Also, Jeffrey Shaw Fortner, Jeffrey Dale Franklin, Karen Leann Stallcup Gauthier, Blain Aron Hefner, Jaime Higgins, Len Allen Holloway, George Rufus Huckaby III, Jonathan

David Matthews, Jody Renee McQuerry, Michelle Reene Rials, Marina Stanojevic and Tommy Allen Taylor.

To make the University Honor Roll, a student must complete a semester of at least 12 hours with a minimum grade point average of 3.5, and no grade lower than a "C."

Helpful Hints

The running or roaming at large of any dog, cat or other animal within the city has been declared a nuisance and positively prohibited, and it has been made unlawful and deemed a Class C misdemeanor for the owner or keeper of any dog, cat or other animal to allow the same to run or roam at large within the city.

Health Notes Sports Drinks

by Joe Hughes, R.P.H.

For most exercisers, water is an ideal fluid replacement. However, during a strenuous event lasting more than an hour, slightly sugared beverages may help your body

conserve its carbohydrate stores, maintain normal blood sugar levels, and thus delay fatigue. Special "sport drinks" supply the optimal amount of carbohydrates - 4 to 8% concentration - for endurance exercise, plus small amounts of sodium and potassium. But, in fact these drinks are nutritionally similar to diluted juice or soft drinks, only more expensive. For a homemade version, here's a recipe from Nancy Clark's *New York City Marathon Cookbook*. In a glass, dissolve 1 tablespoon sugar and a pinch (1/16 teaspoon) salt in a little hot water. Add one tablespoon orange juice or 2 tablespoons lemon juice and 7.5 oz. ice water. (UC Berkeley Wellness Letter)

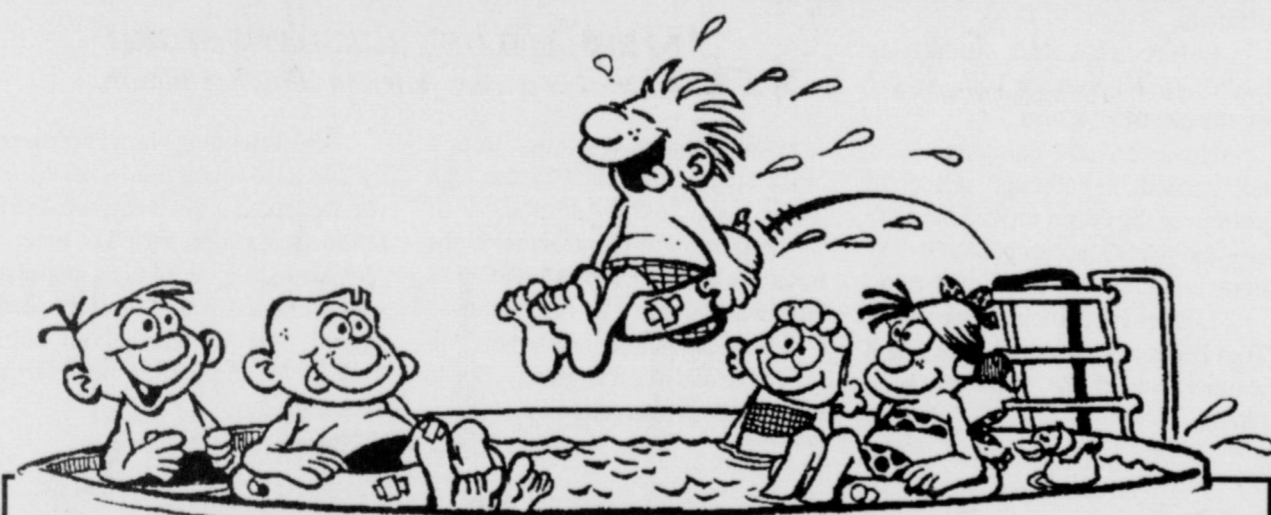
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Iowa Park Police Department

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Yard of the Month awarded for June

The Yard of the Month sign will be at the home of Karla Hopper, 1218 Richland, during the month of June. Each month, a committee of Iowa Park Garden Club members selects a yard that stands out because of the work and care of the owner.

Jr. High library open Tuesdays for students

Starting June 10, the junior high school library will be open on Tuesday evenings from 7-9.

Students entering the sixth, seventh or eighth grades next school year will have the opportunity to read "green dot" books and take their test, or just keep up their reading skills.

To enter the building, students are asked to use the far west entrance.



Ronda Morath and Jeff Franklin

Engagement announced

The engagement and future wedding plans of Ronda Morath and Jeff Franklin have been announced by the bride-elect's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Morath of Iowa Park.

Parents of the groom-to-be are Mr. and Mrs. Roy Reid of Iowa Park and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Franklin of Wichita Falls.

The couple will pledge marriage vows September 6 at Faith Baptist Church in Iowa Park.

Miss Morath is a 1994 graduate of Iowa Park High School and is a junior at Midwestern State University.

She is employed by Sabine Walker & Associates in Wichita Falls.

Franklin is a 1993 graduate of Iowa Park High School and is a senior at MSU. He is employed by Nations Bank in Wichita Falls.

Makes OU honor roll

An Iowa Parkan was among students from 47 states listed on the University of Oklahoma Norman campus honor roll for the spring 1997 semester.

Garland R. Hook earned the recognition by enrolling full time in at least 12 graded credit hours and having a minimum grade point average of 3.5.



LOOK WHO'S NEW

Emberton

A daughter, Holli Nicole, was born June 3, to Dean and DeeAnn Emberton of Friendswood. She weighed eight pounds and eight ounces. The new baby has a two-year-old sister, Randi Elaine. Her mother is the former DeeAnn Todd of Iowa Park.

Grandparents are Patsy and Delbert Todd of Iowa Park and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Emberton of Wichita Falls.

Great-grandparents are Hattie Wilson of Winnsboro and the late Maurice Todd of Iowa Park.

Couple wed in afternoon ceremony

Joy Marie Thomas of Iowa Park became the bride of Jeffrey Ray Zook in a double ring ceremony performed May 23, at 6 o'clock in the afternoon.

The bride is the daughter of Charles Fulfur of Electra and Joyce Twohatchett of Eufaula, Okla.

Zook is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Zook of Columbus, Kans.

The wedding took place in Tom Burnett Memorial Library, with Judge Bill Robinson directing the vows.

Michele Beavers was maid of honor and Kevin Beavers was best man.

Flower girls were Kendra Nicole Thomas of Iowa Park and Amanda Elaine Zook of Wichita Falls.

The couple took a wedding trip to Nashville and Memphis, Tennessee.

The bride is employed at Howmet Casting in Wichita Falls and Zook is employed at American Industrial Supply in Wichita Falls.

They will make their home in Iowa Park.



Mr. and Mrs. Jeffery Ray Zook

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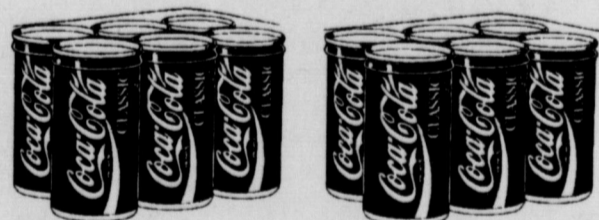
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ACROSS

- TXism: "tough old boot"
- TXism: "cut from the bolt"
- rare Valley moisture
- TX Tanya's "Can You Tonight?"
- TXism: "til his horn"
- Spurs' organ.
- TXism: "couldn't find hide nor ... (lost man)"
- this Ames was Daniel Boone (init.)
- Austin "legal" FM
- "you can't take TX out of ..."
- cowboy condition: bow
- Columbus, TX: "City of Oaks"
- TXism: "Steven"
- TX Charley's "Rather Love You"
- TXism: "can still bite" (beware)
- TXism: "he camps out in the corner" (religious)
- this TX Cal started Boys Ranch (init.)
- NCO
- turns down the light
- TX Gene Tierney's designer husband
- Cassini
- what you shouldn't do to a rattlesnake
- this Calhoun starred with TX Hyer in "Red Sundown"
- TX Roy Orbison's "Mystery to Me"
- TXism: "of mesquite coals" (very warm)
- TXism: "coming at the seams"
- blue-eyed actor in "Four for Texas" (init.)
- get off a Southwest plane
- TXism: "squirrel up a tree"
- TX Blue ice cream
- Okie town
- "and ye shall receive"
- Aransas Pass Oct. festival: "Shrimpo"
- TXism: "pigs fly" (never)
- Flags Over TX
- Brenham's May fair
- Greenville FM radio
- whipped A&M in '93 Cotton Bowl
- "hasta vista"
- TX Perot's old company
- TX Janis sang "Me and Bobby Mc..."
- C&W singer Brooks
- Edgewood drama: "The ... the Timberline"
- fast travelers ride in Dallas' HOV
- TXism: "sleep in the woods?"
- this Maureen starred in "Rio Grande"
- TX's "Singing Cowboy" Autry (init.)
- achievements for Rangers Will Clark
- TX health resorts
- anno domini
- TXism: "red as ...-headed man in a cotton field"
- TXism: "suits ... a fur coat on a bear"

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SOCIAL SECURITY NEWS

JUNE BRIDES: ADD NAME CHANGE TO MUST-DO LIST

June brides are urged to add a name change to their list of things to do.

Social Security reports that one of the most common mistakes in Social Security wage records occurs when brides forget to change their name.

The result is that their earnings may be reported under the new name and Social Security computers may then be unable to process the earnings because the name and number are not consistent with Social Security records.

Social Security retirement, survivors, and disability benefits are based on the earnings credited to a worker's Social Security record.

Social Security says you can change your name by calling its toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213.

Police report arrests

Iowa Park police arrested two men when they checked out a vehicle parked in the middle of East Highway and Bell Road at 1:40 a.m. Saturday.

Richard Gregory Testement and Jeremy Thomas Burnam, both 20, were charged with public intoxication, and the vehicle was impounded.

According to the police blotter, both men were released from custody at 8:03 a.m., after signing promises to appear in municipal court.

Hoyt James Daniel, 52, also was taken into custody on a charge of public intoxication at 12:51 a.m. Friday, on the Service Road at Pacific.

Daniel was released at 6:20 a.m. after paying a fine of \$132.

The only two other arrests by

local police during the past week were made on outstanding warrants.

Peter Paul Putman, 22, was taken into custody at 4:25 p.m. Thursday, after it was determined a warrant had been issued locally for *capias pro fine*, failure to maintain financial responsibility.

Putman was released at 5:05 p.m. after paying a fine of \$532.80, according to the blotter entry.

The other arrest was on an outstanding warrant issued by Wichita County sheriff's office.

Maria Antoinetta Ramirez, 36, was arrested at 12:14 a.m. Thursday near the boat ramp at Lake Iowa Park. The warrant was for *capias pro fine* DWI. She was released to a county deputy at 1:35 a.m. to be transported

As I See It... By Bob Hamilton



I've about become a believer of a saying someone once gave us: "Weather, everybody talks about it, but nobody can do anything about it."

Not only have we emerged from the most unusual type spring weather season I can remember, but June acts like it's going to be more of the same -- unusual.

Here it is, the first week of June, and we've not had a 100-degree temperature as yet.

No, I'm not complaining, but this coolness, and wetness, is far from usual hereabouts.

Kind of reminds me of 1953, the year I spent in Tacoma, Washington while in the Air Force.

Regardless of the time of the year, you could never make plans for an outdoor activity more than a couple hours ahead.

No, we've not had any severe weather around here, of the type they had down at Jerrell, but it seems we've had a consistence of all other types of storms.

For instance, were you aware they received 4.5 inches of rain Thursday night at Burkburnett?

We only had a quarter of that, but that lightning and wind that hit here was more than anyone wanted.

The big rain at Burk has affected several of Iowa Parkans, too. Those of us who play golf at River Creek

Course discovered they have three fairways unplayable.

That's a real bummer.

And it could possibly affect our All-Iowa Park Golf Tournament that is scheduled Friday. I'd hate to have it

cut short to only 15 holes, rather than the standard 18.

Really, I shouldn't complain about the weather. At my age, I should appreciate whatever weather there is to experience.

Weather Roundup for May

Precipitation	6.32
High Temperature	93
Low Temperature	45
Average Maximum	79.0
Average Minimum	58.0
Average Temperature	68.5
Clear Days	20
Cloudy Days	7
Days of precipitation:	8th, 4.00; 14th, .05; 19th, .50; 20th, .55; 21st, .12; 22nd, .06; and 24th, 1.04.

WORTH QUOTING

Though there were some areas of disagreement among the candidates for the Perryton Independent School District Board of Trustees during the Candidate Forum Monday night, there was one topic that found consensus. The students in our school system are getting as good an education as is possible in our current facilities.

For the past year, a citizen's committee, the school board and the school administration have been trying to explain to the citizens of the school district that there is a real and growing problem with space in our current facilities. Either the majority of the voters did not listen or they did not believe the facts and the result was the defeat of two bond issues to improve the schools.

The days when nothing more than a blackboard and chalk were needed to instruct students is long gone. Every student in the Perryton school system, from the first graders to seniors in high school, spends a large portion of their day in front of a computer screen. Keyboarding is replacing handwriting as a necessary skill to succeed.

Adding computers to the classroom has taken up scarce facility space. Some campuses have reached the limit and have even refused grants for computers because there is no place to put additional equipment.

This is not a passing trend. Just look anywhere in Perryton and you will see computers in the workplace. Rent a video tape and the transaction is processed on a computer. Have the oil changed in your car and the mechanic checks a computer for the right type of oil and filters. Modern banking would be impossible without the use of computers. Oil field service companies use computers to track jobs and issue invoices.

If a young person is to have any chance of landing a job after their public education is complete, they have to be familiar with the operation of computer systems. Ignorance of computers in the 1990s is the equivalent of illiteracy in an early age.

The problem of space limitations is also affecting other parts of the academic program in our schools. The science labs in the high school were built before man walked on the moon and are woefully inadequate for today.

There are not enough specialized classrooms to teach journalism,

foreign language and other specialized courses of study. Rooms that were never designed to house students have been converted into classrooms.

The list of inadequacies could go on and on. The administration has done as much as it can to use every available square foot of the existing facilities. Locker rooms have been transformed into computer labs. Closets have become offices and book rooms classrooms.

There is a limit to that kind of expansion and we have reached that point. Without new facilities, the education our students receive in our Perryton school system will suffer.

We should not settle for the best education "under the conditions." We should strive to change the conditions to allow the best education available for our children.

JIM HUDSON
Perryton Herald

Mother nature has a cruel sense of humor. After keeping things dry all day Friday, the rain waited until people started gathering in the stands of Bearcat Stadium for graduation ceremonies before starting to pour.

The maintenance and adminis-

trative staff of Aledo schools did a great job of moving everyone and everything to the MPC, drying off chairs and getting the ceremony started.

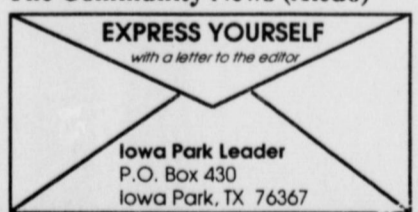
The crowd in the MPC reminded me of the year and a half I spent in Boston. This Texan was taken aback because of how crowded everything was.

I actually lived in a town adjacent to Boston called Arlington, which had a population of 40,000 people in eight square miles.

It is a different world here, where people tend to have seizures at the thought of lots less than an acre.

One day after work in Boston I crowded onto a subway car with some co-workers. Being from Texas, I tended to be the source of humor on their part. After noting that I had lived in Texas towns with fewer people than were on that subway car, I decided it was time to get back as soon as possible.

RANDY KECK
The Community News (Aledo)



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Letters also must be free of libel. If not, they will not be published, because we will not edit the content of any letter.

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We encourage your Letters to the Editor, and offer the paper space as your forum for discussions of ideas and observations.



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GARDENING HINTS

By MARK TERNING, COUNTY AGENT - HORTICULTURE

Texoma summers can test the best of our bedding plants. Extreme heat can challenge both gardeners and the plants they love.

After two years of extensive testing in Wichita Falls and in several other areas across the state, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service has identified certain lantana cultivars that will take the heat and look great in your home landscape.

Lantana, a member of the verbenaceae family and native to South America, is normally a warm-season annual in the northern portion of Texas and into Oklahoma.

Lantana montevidensis, also known as trailing lantana, has been a great performer in our tests. This particular type of lantana is much

more well-behaved in growth habit than other lantanas you may have been familiar with in the past.

Characterized by a low, graceful, trailing or weeping growth habit, this outstanding lantana reaches a mature height of one foot, with a width of nearly four feet.

The beautiful blossoms are held in flower clusters one to 1.5 inches wide. Cultivars of this plant exhibit one of three colors: lavender, purple, or white. All have similar foliage and growth habits and give the same excellent landscape performance.

Nursery industry leaders, knowledgeable plantmen, and horticulturists will often agree that lantana is one of the most heat-tolerant bedding plants that can be used in full-sun landscape locations for extended periods of colorful blooming.

In our testing in Wichita Falls the trailing lantanas were excellent performers, but, there are several other varieties that did well that are worth mentioning.

New Gold is a yellow flowering variety that has a spreading habit of growth. It is a heavy flowering plant throughout spring and summer.

Patriot Rainbow is a super-compact lantana with multi-color flowers of yellow, orange and pink. Just like the trailing types of lantana these plants can take the heat of our Texoma summers and flower brilliantly if properly cared for.

Local garden centers and nurseries will be carrying these top-rated lantanas! Now is the time to plant lantana for months of wonderful landscape color!

OTHER ADVANTAGES FOR YOUR LANDSCAPE:

- * Has a very long blooming period (nonstop from mid-spring to first freeze).

- * Excellent for use in attracting butterflies to your garden.

- * Fast grower and easy to grow in full sun.

- * Outstanding heat and drought tolerance once established.

- * No serious insect or disease problems when grown outdoors in full sun. Will almost never need to be sprayed with a pesticide.

- * Constant flowering and virtually sterile. Sterility means that these specific cultivars of lantana will produce essentially no fruit. This is an advantage since lantana fruit is reportedly poisonous.

- * Tried and tested by Texas A&M University horticulturists.

CARING FOR LANTANA:

- * Plant now from transplants available at Texoma garden centers and nurseries.

- * Plant lantana where it will receive full sun at least eight to 10 hours per day. South and west exposures are perfect.

- * Prefers good soil drainage. To achieve this in tough clay soils, incorporate four to six inches of organic material such as compost, peat moss, etc., and plant in raised beds.

- * When tilling in organic matter, also add a quality 3-1-2 or 4-1-2 ratio lawn food with slow-release nitrogen. Application rates are one to two

pounds per 100 square feet of bed area. Since lantana is not a heavy feeder, only one fertilizer application is usually necessary.

- * Space transplants three feet apart. Patriot Rainbow can be spaced much closer since it is a much more compact plant (i.e. six to 10 inches apart).

- * Water thoroughly at planting time. After plants are established, water only when the top inch of soil is dry. You can check the soil moisture with your finger every seven to 10 days. Lantana is extremely drought-tolerant once established, so don't over-water this plant.

- * After planting, mulch the entire bed to reduce consumption and weed competition.

- * An occasional light shearing of the tops encourages more constant blooming and a neater appearing plant.

POTENTIAL USES WITHIN YOUR LANDSCAPE:

- * Use a border or in a massed planting at the front of a flower or shrub bed. Use in containers on patios, decks, balconies, and other areas for a stunning effect. Apartment dwellers and zero-lot-line homeowners can maximize on the use of containers.

- * Plant in front of taller annuals such as copper plant. For example, using New Gold or trailing white lantana in front of a mass of copper plant will provide excellent contrast and knockout color.

- * Use the trailing forms to cascade over a retaining wall or in a hanging basket to accent your patio or porch.

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Obituaries

Jobob Thomas

Services for Jobob Thomas, 60, of Iowa Park were at 2 p.m. Monday at Woodhaven Baptist Church, with Rev. Darius McKay officiating.

Mr. Thomas died Friday in Wichita Falls.

He was born July 17, 1936.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Wichita Falls.

Ira Dewitt Hardin

Graveside services for Ira Dewitt Hardin, 56, were at 2 p.m. Monday in Riverview Cemetery at Seymour with Rev. Lee Hembree officiating.

Mr. Hardin, stepfather of Leann Hulcy of Iowa Park, died Friday in Seymour.

Mr. Hardin was born April 4, 1941, in Colorado City. He was a retired cowboy from Cowans Ranch. He and Jerry Ann Rogers were married May 14, 1985.

In addition to his wife and stepdaughter, he is survived by four daughters, Vickie Bell of Megargel, Shelia Parodi of Dallas and Trudy Hardin of Seymour; one son, Larry of Seymour; two stepsons, Billy and John Prince, both of Seymour; two sisters, Vada Donahue of Kaufman, and Edith Pesnell of Baytown; one grandchild and four stepgrandchildren.

Freddy Slayden

Services for Freddy Slayden, 48, were at 2 p.m. Wednesday at First Baptist Church in Burkburnett with Rev. Lamoine Champ of Nocona officiating. Burial was in Burkburnett Cemetery.

Mr. Slayden, brother of Kitty Hubner of Iowa Park, died Sunday, June 1.

Mr. Slayden was born Feb. 6, 1949 in Abilene. He worked as a welder. He had been involved in the Burkburnett Little League 18 years, and was a former member of the Boys and Girls Club board of direc-

tors. He had been a resident of Burkburnett since 1963.

Other survivors include his wife, Terry; one son, Steve of Burkburnett; one daughter, Alicia Tyler of Burkburnett; his mother, Lorena Slayden of Burkburnett; five brothers, Jimmy, Charley and Tracey all of Burkburnett, Troy of Waco, and Royce of Little Rock, Ark.; two other sisters, Sarah Slayden of Jonesboro, Ark., and Joyce Forester of Lisbon, Iowa, and two grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Burkburnett Little League.

Janice Malone May 23, 1946.

Stephenson started in the construction business in Colorado and continued when he moved his family to Arizona in 1953. He was a lifetime member of Local 428.

Survivors include his wife Edith; two daughters, Janice Malone and Barbara McGirr; three sons, Terry, Tim, and Jim; three sisters, Mrs. Eaton, Anna Lee Goodner of Lindsey, Okla., and Ruth Pearson of Monticello, Utah; 13 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Charlie C. Stephenson

Charlie C. Stephenson, 78, of Phoenix, Ariz., a native of Dundee, died April 19, in Phoenix.

He was buried in Valley Of The Sun Memorial Park, in Chandler, Ariz., with military honors.

He was born Nov. 29, 1918, in Dundee, the son of Sherman and Fannie Stephenson, and a brother of May Eaton of Iowa Park. At an early age the family moved to southwest Colorado where Stephenson spent his early adult years until he enlisted in the United States Army in 1942. He was an Army Air Force veteran.

He served in the European theater until 1945 at which time he returned to Colorado and married Edith

Card of Thanks

The Melvin Johnston Family would like to express their appreciation and extreme gratitude for all of the love, prayers, cards, flowers, food, gifts and donations that the family received during this most difficult time. Losing Melvin so quickly, as well as the loss of our home, has been a great burden. The burden has been lightened by such a thoughtful and supportive community. We would like to make a special note of thanks to Rev. John Besse, minister of First United Methodist Church in Iowa Park, and Dennis Wilkinson, minister of Floral Heights United Methodist Church in Wichita Falls.

With our thanks,
Claudine, Debra, Diane & Dena

May building permits told

Two new homes and a number of roofing projects helped boost the building permit total for May to \$235,540.

That raised the year's total to \$1,692,820.

Permits issued during May by city hall included:

Gayle Long, 1003 Park Plaza, storage building, \$1,100;
Monica Hawn, 1308 Westridge, siding, \$6,715;
Jean Maxwell, 601 W. Clara, roofing, \$1,800;
Elaine Owens, 403 S. Victoria, storage building, \$200;
Bill Maupin, 103 Hope, roofing, \$1,450;
Bill Maupin, 423 Valley, roofing, \$1,450;
Mrs. David Brady, 108 Hope, roofing, \$2,300;
Beth Ellis, 1608 Johnson, roofing, \$2,000;
City of Iowa Park, 103 N. Wall, roofing, NC;
Buddie Bridwell, 1315 Westridge, siding, \$2,600;
Michael Hodson, 131 James, storage building, \$1,200;
Dollar General, 400 W. Park, roofing, \$30,000;
Optimist Club, 800 N. Third, patio, \$1,200;
Floyd Davis, 204 W. Washington, siding, \$4,200;
S.M. Bradberry, 125 James, patio, \$300;
Holloway Construction, 1202 N. Jackson, new residence, \$80,000;
C.A. Carrillo-Miranda, 909 E. Cash, carport, \$500;
Jack Coleman, 510 N. Pacific, roofing, \$2,000;
James H. Gilmore, 703 S. Park, carport, \$600;
Ernest Ferguson, 411 E. Aldine, patio, \$300;
Bill Moore, 1017 Lincoln, alteration, \$3,000;
Thomas Yoder, 907 W. Louisa, carport, \$1,575;
Holloway Construction, 1703 Johnson, new residence, \$90,000;
Bruce Hoover, 703 W. Cornelia, roofing, \$1,000;
Virgil Myers, 311 W. Diamond, patio, \$50.



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Burkburnett High School graduating class of 1977 will hold a reunion June 20-21. Contact persons are Jeannine (Mason) Sykes, 689-4437 or 569-0305, and Becky (Rine) West, 569-5003.

Card of Thanks

I want to thank the lady who stopped to help when I fell in my yard. She helped me up and turned the water hose off. I don't remember if I thanked her or not.
May Eaton

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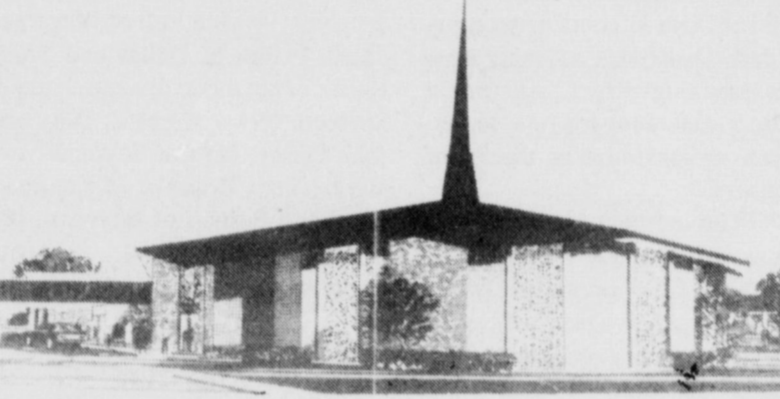
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