# The Merkel Mail

Thursday, July 10, 1986 Merkel, Texas

Our 98th Year

## Fun Day draws crowd to City Park; winners, donors for prizes



Day at the City Park Friday. A

§ The flag was raised, balloons large crowd attended the 7th released and the ACU Summer annual event sponsored by the Stage group officially opened Fun Merkel Chamber of Commerce. Iris Amerine photo

## Riding Club's Challenge

set Aug. 1 & 2

Club Arena.

Commerce will be hosting a individual in each age group and Western Heritage Day downtown \$150 belt buckles for the top ten Saturday.

The event drew more than 400 most points. spectators last year and promises to do as well this year.

event for the Merkel Riding Club. for all children under 12. The riding club will sponsor competition in age groups 8 & under, 9 thru 12; 13 thru 15; 16

The Merkel Riding Club's Cha-thru 19 and 20 and over. Events llenge of the Clubs is set for include barrel race, flag race, August 1 & 2 at the Merkel Riding pole bending, goat ribbon race and goat tying. They will be competing Also, the Merkel Chamber of for belt buckles worth \$300 for top members of the club that wins the

They will also hold a ladies open abrrel race ach night and a calf Jan Woodall is in charge of the scramble with winner taking all

> A saddle worth \$650 will be Please See Page 2

music throughout the day.

contests with the most popular socks from Circle A Western Outlet Store- Jo Ann Mauldin, Morgan, Tx. Secq. Lamp from eating and water bag relays.

Christmas lights here.

on Kent Street here.

Winners of the Fun Day drawings are as follows: 1 membership \$25 value from Fit N Firm Fitness Center- Barbara Graham; 2# sausage from Merkel Locker Plant- Blanche Hewitt, 1 gal. salad dressing from Best Maid Inc .- Nina Bell Hughes, cap from Dubose Texaco- Tootsie Hovet, oil change from Palmer Motors-Mary Shugart, flashlight from Higginbotham- bartlett- Wilma Schrimsher, wasp killer from Whisenhunt Grain- Ethel Mitchell, hair spray from Sonja's Beauty pliers from Higginbotham- bartlett- Don Hensley, kool aid jar from Ben Franklins-Jerry Merritt hair spray from Kut N Kurl-Richard Price, travel cooler from Hicks Auto- Bessie Brown, pig key kel Locker Plant- Courtney Wil-Wade, t-shirt from Braggs Dept. Store- Courtney Williams, water sprinkler from Hi Val Farm &

Fun Day 1986 went smoothly as Home Supply- Kathryn Banner, coupon from K & M Place- L.J. hair cut from Pat's Beauty Shopthe Merkel Chamber of Com- steak dinner for 2 from L & W Gray, cap from Dubose Texaco- Randy Meiries, coupon from merce's annual 4th of July Snack Bar- Jay Geheri, cap from Peggy White, coupon from Village Polly's Restaurant- Don Hensley, Celebration was held at Merkel's Dubose Texaco- Waymon Adcock, Trk. & Car Wash- Lucille Gray, case of cokes from Marilyn Tittle coupon book from Merkel Dairy cap from Merkel Country Club- Bookeeping-Ken Elliott, set brass The event drew a large crowd Queen- Kris Harris, picture pla- Leta Heady, coupon from Bec & picture frames from Starbuck Co. who were treated to fun, food and que from Wilsons Jewlery- L.C. Bo Enterprises- Irene Barnes, Ronnie Holmes, food coupon from Whisenhunt, seafood dinner from hair cup from Pat's Beauty Shop- Bingo Hall Snack Bar-Link Adair,

being the pie eating, watermelon Wear-Nolan Palmer, coupon from decorated wood spoon from Ann's Ben Franklins-Rosemary Bland, The event started at ten am and coupon from K & M Place- vice from W.T.U.- M. Bloodworth. Lander, oil change from Palmer lasted until midnight. Fun Day Michelle Ingram, flashlight from was officially opened by the ACU Higginbotham- Bartlett- Jerry Farm & Home Supply- Don hanger from Something Special-Summer Stage group "Images of Byrd, engine coupon from Browne Hensley, seafood dinner from Nicole Kelley, pliers from Higgin-Texas" as they performed the Enterprises- Bryan Lepard, fram-Star Spangled Banner, and other ed duck from Ann's flowers- Bill Hays, family special coupon from Although final totals were not Ascencio Family Restaurant-Pee

available Tueday, the Chamber of Wee Pack, ice service from Commerce netted over \$2,700 with W.T.U.- J.P. Click, \$10.00 cash some of the proceeds going for from Hammond Insurance Agency- Bonnie Campbell, cap from The sponge toss booth saw local Dubose Texaco-Bill Beddingfield, pliers from Higginbotham- Bart-A popular attraction this year lett- Mary Russom, 2# sausage vas a sponge toss booth as from Merkel Locker Plant-Frank children and adults both took Brnovak, oil change from Palmer turns being tossers and tossees. Motors- Deborah Dubose, mirror A list of winners and prize Vicki Guest, coupon from Bec & Dairy Queen- Ronnie Holmes, 1 Higginbotham- Bartlett-

spray from Sonja's Beauty Shop- Grub Irent-Kathryn Banner, seat Max Murrell. Ronnie Holmes, coupon from bara Tankersley, seafood dinner Hicks Auto- Peggy Valentine, t-shirt from Braggs- Mildred

cover from Hicks Auto- Gloria Also: Taylor Telephone donated

Kids participated in all kinds of Skeets Restaurant- Mozetta Dye, Ethel Mitchelle, jacket from Walls crisper from W.T.U.- Loretta Bec & Bo Enterprises, food Flowers- David Higgins, ice ser- cap from Dubose Texaco- Carolyn Also: garden hose from Hi Val Motors- Lucille Gray, candlewick Skeets- Ted Pargament, cap from botham-Bartlett- Larry Justice, Dubose Texaco- Jean Irvin, socks 2# sausage from Merkel Locker from Circle A Western Wear- Plant- Virgil Jones, seafood din-Lucille Gray, picture plaque from ner from Skeets- Leroy Riney, Wilsons Jewlery- Roberta Duran, coupon from Polly's Restaurant-K. lamp holder from Something Cliff Owens, belt buckle from Special-Glenda Teaff, pliers from Joe's Boots-Cliff Owen, necklace Higginbotham- Bartlett- Lee Tuc- from Merkel Drug- B.J. Ingram, ker, coupon from Polly's Restau- free perm from Kut N Kurl Randy rant- Trinh Tran, coupon from Meries, heart wreath from Ann's Village Trk. & Car Wash- Rodney Flowers- Cliff Owen, macramae McClintock, case of cokes from hanger with plant from Craft-Handy's Food Store- Lenora Ler- house Ceramics- Gaston Thomas, ma, covered broom from Country lifetime subscription to the Merkel Among those participating as plaque from Ben Franklins-Karen Etc.- Marvin Myers, set american Mail- Buster Horton, picture tossees were Merkel High princi- Pritchard, case of cokes from plaques from Starbuck Co.- Brent plaque from Wilson's Jewlerypal Larry Curry, police chief Ray Handy's Food Store- Pee Wee Fisher, Ambulance ride to Abilene J.P. Click, cap from Dubose Pack and patrolman Mike Pip- Pack, pliers from Higginbotham- from EMS- Joyce Knight, pliers Texaco-Monah Cannon, flashlight pins, city judge Janet Deen amd Bartlett- Buster Horton, coupon from Higginbotham- Bartlett- Jim from Hi Val Farm & Home Supply from Village Truck and Car Wash- Doan, coupon book from Merkel Dalphine Watson, pliers from contributors follows. People who Bo Enterprises- Billy Doan, ham- gal mustard from Best Maid Inc.- Holmes, fire extinguisher from want to claim their prizes may do mer from Ed's Feed and Seed- Elizabeth Higgins, cap from Du- Merkel Brick & Lumber- Peggy so at Hi Val Farm and Home store Melba Doan, fold up scissors from bose Texaco-Jocille Brady, Bible Valentine, jacket from Walls Ann's Flowers- Ann Wade, coupon trivia game from Ben Franklins- Outlet Store- Jack South, booster from Bingo Hall Snack Bar- Don Carrie Tipton, coupon from Bec & cables from P&L Auto- Karla Hart, cap from Dubose Texaco- Bo Enterprises- Sandy Davis, \$40 Lepard, faucet from Consolidated Wilma Schrimsher, coupon book car tune up from D & T Plumbing-Chris Young, welcome from Merkel Dairy Queen- Pat Automotive- Edgar Graham, 50# mat from Something Special-Byrd, picture plaque from Wilsons dog food from Whisenhunt Grain- Robbie Hicks, 8 pc wrench set Jewlery-Kris Harris, coupon from Lucille Armstrong, oil change from Ed's Feed & Seed-Carmen Bec & Bo Enterprises- Debbie from Palmers Motors- Jimmy Holden, plant polish from Ann's Childers, flashlight from Higgin- Leverich, 2# sausage- Johnny Flowers- Wilma Schrimsher, tbotham-Bartlett Shelle Doan, hair Grav. cooler & cokes from Gas N shirt from Braggs Dept. Store-

Polly's Restaurant- Rosemary Brown, food coupon from Ascen- two telephones. They were won by Bland, ant killer from Whisenhunt cio Restaurant- Leta Heady, Ray Pack and Suzie Moreno. Grain- Betty Jane Tittle, cooler t-shirt from Braggs Dept. Store- Taylor Electric Co-op donated a coupon from Cunninghams- Bar- Denson Griffin, picture plaque Grandpappy Electric Deep Fryer from Wilson Jewlery- Jean Irvin, won by Cloy Richards, T.J. & T Shop- Sharon Harris, cutting from Skeets- Frances VanZandt, feed pan from Hi Val Farm & Tire Co. donated 4 bias belted basket from Something Special- Home Supply-Pat Owen, cap from Remington Tires won by Mary Faye Robertson, spot light from Dubose Texaco Pete Morgan, Belt Hewitt, Lone Star Gas, 3D Mobile Buckle from Circle A Western Home Park, Home State Bank, Wear- George English, flashlight Mid-Tex Resources, Duane Shu-Starbuck, 2# sausage from Mer- from Higginbotham Bartlett- Eu- gart Motors, Gregory & Goode, gene Dye, food coupon from K&M F&M National Bank, B Moreno holder from Starbuck Co.- Vernon liams, oil change from Palmer Place- Duane Shugart, mirror Paint & Body Shop, Wylie Truck Motors- Marjorie Bratcher, pliers plaque from Ben Franklins- Eliza- Terminal, W.T.U., Seymore Insufrom Higginbotham- Bartlett- To- beth Higgins, hot pads from rance Agency, Carter Insurance ny Roberts, kool aid jar from Ben Something Special- Joe McDuff, Agency donated \$300 in cash won by Lacy Castille.

## Good ol' American 4th here, thanks to the 'volunteers'

by Cloy A. Richards

Martha Sue Justice's idea for a 4th of July Celebration here, fueled by the efforts of 'Benny Melton, J. A. Sadler and many more, has come a long way in the past seven years.

anjoy and look forward to.

something he hasn't done in a long Richards.

talking and visiting

sitting under the tent enjoying the

An All-American 4th of July, right here at home under the water tower

There's a whole lot of people to Although I have personally been, thank for making Fun Day '86 go too busy to 'enjoy' Fun Day in the so well and the people who past five, it is something we all contributed either cash or prizes are listed in the paper. The John Starbuck again, for the 7th Chamber of Commerce also enstraight year, led in donation listed a few innocents bystanders ticket sales as he sold !808 in who we could not have gotten tickets, or around 3,000, by along without (our booth sold himself. John got a late start this more than 400 non-alcoholic maryear but he finished with a flurry, garitas, and over 700 'locally Hazel Pack also sold quiet a few. famous fajitas'). So, many thanks Ray Pack ended up on stage a to Michael Bloodworth Joann (Jo lot more than he wanted to be as Jo) Mauldin, Monah Sue Cannon, he had a couple of bands that Gene Amerine, Robbie Hicks, George Jones'd (didn't show) and Milton Payne, Melinda Baker. and Ray ended up playing the drums, let's see... Melanie Kim & Joey

The city crew, and I mean each Kids were everywhere, eating, and everyone, also worked for at spalshing each other with water, least two days, some more, getting the park ready and then Adults were busy working, or cleaned, Ray Pack ran the enter-

tainment, Dana Dunagin ran the entertainment and Marilyn Tittle ran the show.

To anyone else that helped in any way and to all of those who I'd say the idea is now a reality. attended, thanks and we'll meet again next year, July 4th, under the purple missile.

> Stephen Santee won't forget his game winning rbi base hit in the last inning Monday night as the Merkel All-Stars edged Clyde.

Western Heritage Day, an event planned downtown August 2nd, will be held n conjunction with the Merkel Riding Club's Challenge of the Clubs.

A parade will be held, queens will be crowned, a Honda Scooter donated by Home State Bank in Trent is being auctioned off, and a lot more. You will be reading more about that in the next few

One more Fun Day note: Continental Telephone deserves a for shade each year.



§ Crowds gatherd under any the day at Merkel's South Park 1986. nation of the large tent people use shade they could find throughout Friday to participate in Fun Day,

Iris Amerine photo

## Riding Club's annual Challenge of the Clubs planned Aug. 1 & 2 set

individual at the Challenge.

State Bank in Trent. The club will teams.

adults and \$2 for children.

drawing for a Honda scooter that will be held with local merchants cowgirl. A mule drawn chuck- The Sweetheart contest is open

awarded to the overall high point 5:30 p.m. Tickets are \$3.75 for categories include youngest and The Club is also sponsoring a Also a steer saddling contest centennial' dressed cowboy or contests.

Houston and Dallas Independent

eligible to receive more state aid.

The club is also sponsoring a percent on horsemanship and will be judged the same but is oldest riders and the best 'Sesqui- sweetheart, princess and queen personality. The queen's category open to girls age 14-18.

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was donated to the Club by Home eithre competing or sponsoring wagon will be on hand downtown to girls 7 and under and the as well as a horse drawn surrey, winner is the girl who sells the also be hosting a barbeque at the Downtown Saturday a parade both owned by Buster Welch, Also, most tickets. The princess contest riding club Saturday starting at will be held at 5 p.m. Parade branding and horse-shoeing will is open to all girls between 8 and 13 and they will be judged 40

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### 2/3 of state's schools have lower net tax values

Two-thirds of the state's school this year's drastic drop in oil that showed a loss in taxable types of property that decline in districts experienced a loss in tax prices until the 1987 study is value during 1984-85 were the base between 1984 and 1985, prepared," he noted. according to the annual study State law requires SPTB to School Districts, the state's two prepared by the State Property estimate the taxable value of largest. In general, many districts Tax Board (SPTB). The agency's property annually for each of the that lost taxable value could be 1985 Property Value Study esti- state's 1,063 school districts. mates that Texas school districts "A school district's taxable Figures from the study show contained a total of \$702.6 billion wealth is an important factor in that a majority of the school

tive director, says a low inflation Texas Education Agency will use the areas surrounding Dallas. rate coupled with economic pro- the 1985 values in calculating Fort Worth, Austin, and San blems in agriculture and the oil education aid allotments for the Antonio. and gas industry-two of the 1986-87 school year. mainstays of the Texas economy- By comparison, statewide tax- more of their tax bases were late January. The agency providhelped shrink the tax bases of able values grew by 8.7 percent located, with few exceptions, in many districts during this period. from 1983 to 1984.

in taxable value as of January 1, determining how much financial districts with the largest growth in aid it may receive from the tax base-20 percent or more-Ron Patterson, SPTB's execu- state," explained Patterson. The were suburban school districts in

"Our figures may not reflect Among the 732 school districts "Small rural districts are morr directly affected by problems in agribusiness or the oil and gas industry." said Patterson.

Districts with shrinking tax bases may be forced to increase tax rates in 1986 just to bring in the same amount of local revenue." he added. "The tax burden will also shift away from those value."

The study estimated the total market value of the school district billion to account for special tax treatment for agricultural land and another \$30.9 billion for homestead and other exemptions. The remaining \$702.6 billion repreperty statewide

SPTB released preliminary findings of the 1985 Property Value Study to school districts in ed an appeals process for reviewing evidence that districts provided to show their preliminary value findings were in error

After ruling on the appeals, the State Property Tax Board certified the final results to the commissioner of education on

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## Trent's Class of 1941 reunites

+ Members of Trent High's Class of 1941 include [from left] Tommie O'Rear, Wanda Stribling Tittle and Wilma Stribling Schrimsher.



§ Class of 1941 members include row from left] Virginia McRee [back row from left] Roy Yandell, Strawn, Mildred Nixon Utley, Bill Purser, Dene Strawn McLeod, Dene West Starkey, Alpha Gra-Bill Tittle, Frances Bright Ru- ham Williams, Ladie Crain Caftherford, Avis Neill Nafy; [front fey, Betty Howell Yandell. 

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## MHS drill team

Eleven young ladies from Merkel High School of Merkel attended the 1986 Big Country Drill Team Camp held on the campus of Hardin-Simmons University June 23-27

Director of the camp was Mr Eris Ritchie of Southwest Camps in Cisco. The professional instructional staff included Debbie Hyman of Houston, Danielle Brasher Cochran of The Woodlands, and Lynn Archer of Tyler. All are former Tyler Apache Belles and are now professional drill team instructors.

During the five-day workshop, the drill teams in attendance learned several new routines for the coming fall sports season, and they were done to newly published band music. They also participated in evaluation sessions in which they received individual critiques from the instructors.

The girls received Red Ribbon Excellent Ratings on their home routine and pom pom routines. They received Superior Blue classes. Those receiving indivi- Roby Rodeo Arena. Pack Red ribbon for Fan; Marjohn Parish Red for Pom Pom; Linda Munden White for High Kick; DeAnn Stevens Blue for Jazz Kick, Red for High Kick White for Pom Pom.



Ribbon ratings for their perform. Fisher county group sets playday

ance of a Disc Routine. Several Fisher County Playday Associa-roping, goat hair pulling, goat girls were recognized for their tion will hold their playday tying, barrels, flags and poles. talent and hard work during Saturday, July 12 at 7 p.m. at the Entry fee is \$2.00 per event.

dual honors were: Abby Irvin Age groups are 5 and under, 6-9, and ribbons will be given. 4-H will All around, 1st place trophies White ribbon for Disc; Debbie 10-14, 15-18. Events will be dummy have concession.

Russom-Swinney reunion set here

The annual Russom-Swinney at the Heritage Hall in Merkel. A Kick; Tina Myatt White for Jazz reunion will be July 19th and 20th friends and relatives are invited.

## Public Notices

THE CITY OF TYE sale:

Sealed bids will be as accepted in the office of Said Plaintiff's Petithe City Secretary, 205 tion was filed in said North St., P.O. Box 145, Court on the 31 day of Tye, Texas 79563 until March A.D. 1986, in this 3:00 P.M., July 11, 1986. cause numbered 1209-D Bids will be publically on the docket of said opened and read aloud court, and styled, at the regular scheduled CHRIS council meeting July 15. 1986 at 7:00 P.M. at 205 BENAVIDEZ North St., Tye Municipal dant. Building, Tye, Texas.

The City reserves the right to reject any and/ or all bids and to accept the bid considered most RAY Z. BENAVIDEZ advantageous to the City are Defendants. of Tye.

City Secretary 169-2tc-29

THE STATE OF TEXAS navidez, made, executed To: RAY Z. BENA- and delivered to Plain-VIDEZ Address Un- tiff an Installment Note known, Defendant, Greeting:

You are hereby com- amount of \$3,871.80. The manded to appear by Defendant has defaulted filing a written answer in paying the Note; to the Plaintiff's Petition Plaintiff seeks Judgat or before ten o'clock ment against the Defen-A.M. of the first Monday dant, Ray Z. Benavidez, after the expiration of for the sum of \$3,871.80, forty-two days from the plus interest from the date of the issuance of date of default, together this citation, same being with interest thereon



Viking, the United States Spaceship that touched Mars in 1976, had 40 thermostats; 22,000 transistors; and 18,000 electronic parts. It was also only one cubic foot in size.

Monday the 21 day of The City of Tye, Texas July 1986, at or before has the following for ten o'clock A.M. before the Honorable 350th Dis-(1) 1962 104 Galion trict Court of Taylor Grader, 353 Diesel En- County, Texas, at the gine, 13 ft. blade/ scari- Court House of said County in Abilene, Tex-

HERRERA

Plaintiff, vs. RAY Z. Defen-

The names of the parties to the cause are as follows: CHRIS HER-RERA are Plaintiffs and

A brief statement of Jo Moore the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: On or about Dec. 20, 1984, Defendant, Ray Z. Beand Security Agreement with Disclosure in the

from the date of judgment at the rate of 10 per annum. Plaintiff ask the Defendant to appear and answer herein and show cause, if any, why a Writ of Sequestration should not issue in this cause on the following

described property: One

Aerohot 5 Hole Hot Food

Hot Food Table # 304 Steam Table; One CF-C54-AE Whirlpool Ice Maker, with Legs; One # 1854-3 Metal Masters Stainless Steel 3 Hole Sink with fixtures; One # C-330 Comstock Castle Range: One Steak Broiler (Charcoal); Small White 2DR Refrigerator; Fifteen (15) Wooden Tables; One Hot and Water Heater 220 V (45

shown by Plaintiff's Pet- Child", the nature of ition on file in this suit. served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be

The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the

returned unserved.

der my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 6th day of June, A.D. 1986.

Attest: Rilla Mahoney, District Clerk 350th District Court, Taylor County, Texas. By Jo Ann Lackey, Deputy. 168-4tc-114

CITATION BY PUBLI-CATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: UNKNOWN FA-THER, Respondent: GREETINGS:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to apthe Honorable 326th District Court, Taylor County, Texas, at the Court- 30th day of June, 1986. house of said County in Abilene, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of 20 days from the date of service

there to answer the petition of Glenn Allen Rutherford and Lana Paulette Rutherford, Petitioners, filed in said Court on the 17th day of April, 1986, against Unknown Father, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 394CX on the docket of said Court. entitled in The Interest of Michelle Gals.) as is more fully Lynn Rutherford, a which suit is a request to terminate the parentchild relationship and adopt the child. Said child was born the 2nd day of February, 1986, in

Burnett County, Texas. The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the child's interest which will be binding Issued and given un- upon you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption

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 di-

Issued and given unpear and answer before der my hand and the of said Court at Abilene, Texas, this the

> Rilla Mahoney, Clerk, 326th District Court, Taylor County, Texas. By Rilla Mahoney, Deputy.

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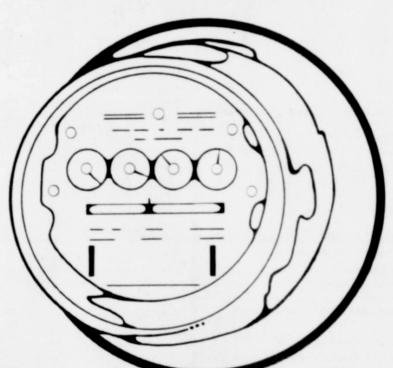
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## **HELP SLOW YOUR ELECTRIC METER DOWN** THIS SUMMER.





Set Your Thermostat at 78° or Higher.

The recommended thermostat setting for summer cooling is 78° or higher. Portable fans or ceiling fans can help you feel comfortable at higher thermostat settings. Don't forget to turn fans off when you leave the room.



### **Check Your** Filter Regularly.

A dirty filter could keep your air conditioning system from operating as efficiently as possible. Clean

permanent filters according to manufacturer's instructions, and replace non-permanent filters.

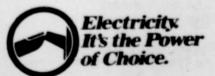




**Tightly Seal** Air Leaks in Your Home.

Make sure all cracks around windows, doors, pipes and wiring are tightly sealed with proper caulking and weatherstripping. Also, R-30 insulation in the ceiling, and R-16 insulation in the walls is recommended to adequately insulate your home.

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mobil home, 11/2 bath on 2 lots, fenced in backyard 928-5845 or 928-4991 For Rent: 3 bedroom house with stove & refrigerator, washer & dryer, ceiling fans, fenced yard \$300 per month \$150 deposit, 928-5194.

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> For Rent: 2 bedroom rock house, stove, refrigerator, \$250 per month \$150 deposit, 2

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Garage Sale: # 42 Hum-

phery Village, Thursday

and Friday 8-5, baby

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Cards of Thanks

We wish to thank Sheriff

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of help and comfort

during the search for

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ers, the untiring search-

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#### Garage Sales Garage Sale: Saturday

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## State has 280,000 acres in erodible land program

Almost 280,000 acres of erodible "The program not only will Texas cropland were accepted protect some of our more fragile into the Conservation Reserve land from erosion but will also Program (CRP) during the se- improve water quality and wild-

period compared to about \$39 for government. the first round.

The CRP was created by the rental payments on the land based 1985 farm bill and is aimed at taking highly erodible cropland out of production to protect it from wind and water erosion while at the same time reducing overall production of farm commodities.

"We are pleased by the response of Texas farmers to the program, which should go a long way to protecting our precious soil resource," points out Dr. Bill Harris, soils specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System. The Extension Service is working with the Soil Conservation Service, Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, and Texas Forest Service in explaining the program to landowners

#### Williams in honors program

Lani Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Williams of Plumerville, will be attending the 1986 Occidental College Summer Program for gifted high school students, in Los Angeles, California, from June 29 to August 1.

The program is a highly selective academic and experimental course of study, whose aim is to bring together very small groups (usually four to twelve participants) of extraordinary high school students during the summer between their junior and senior years. Each group will intensively investigate one area of the Arts. Humanities, Social Sciences, or Natural Sciences with the aid of a specialist in that field.

Miss Williams, who attends Sacred Heart High School, received a \$2,000 grant for the course of study entitled "Beyond Games: Solving Real Problems With Computers," an introduction to computer science and problem-solving using the programing language Pascal. Problems from the scientific and business worlds will be analyzed in the top-down fashion of structured programming via micro-computer programs written by the class. Guest speakers and field trips to companies and universities in the L.A. area will introduce students to the impact of computers on society

Grandparents are Mrs. Jimmie Williams of Merkel, Texas, and Mrs. Gertrude Rothmund of Lengries, West Germany.

cond 1986 sign-up period in May. life habitats," Harris adds.

That total coupled with the Farmers that have land accept-29,052 acres accepted into the new ed into the program enter into a government program in March 10-year contract to keep the land brings Texas' total to more than out of production and to plant it to 300,000 acres involving some 1,200 permanent cover (grass or trees). farms. Accepted bids on the land Costs of establishing permanent statewide averaged just over \$41 cover and required conservation per acre for the second sign-up practices are split with the

Farmers also receive annual

on bids accepted by program officials. The bids offset what that land would produce if it remained under cultivation, explains Harris.

The CRP is designed to be a five-year program, with some 45 million acres in the United States targeted for the new conservation effort--11.5 million of those being in Texas. Nationally, some 3.8 million acres have now been accepted into the program. Another sign-up period will likely be scheduled in late summer or early fall for the 1987 program, Harris

### Smith's meet for annual reunion

The Smith family held their Teresa and Billy Priddy, Amy and annual reunion June 27 thru June Amber, Pauls Valley, Oklahoma; 29, 1986. The reunion was at Lake Tommy and Pat Fangman and Murray in Oklahoma

skiing, fishing and swimming was as: Karen Hughes, Chrissa and enjoyed by family members and Joshua, Pampa, Texas; Peggy

Family members attending from Merkel were Ford Smith, Jr., Todd Smith, and Ronny, Ann, Kyle and Klint Doan

Others attending were Jean and Kenneth Wood, Sr., and Kenneth Jr., Pauls Valley, Oklahoma;

### Hererra is recent

### Texas Tech grad

More than 1,700 students at Texas Tech University received degrees in commencement exercises at the conclusion of the 1986 spring semester

Degree recipients with the degrees they earned included Edward G. Herrera, 762 Scott, Tye, bachelor of business administration in management.

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Jeremy, Pauls Valley, Oklahoma; A week-end of visiting, boating, Billie Pete Hughes, Pampa, Texand James Groves and John Reid.

Houston, Texas; and Margaret Davis and Doug, Grapevine, Texas.

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