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HAWK FULLBACK JIM CUMMINGS HAD BIG GAME AGAINST BURKBURNETT
... gained 262 yards on 21 carries and scored all four Iowa Park touchdowns.

Hot Hawks headed south to Graham

For Game Two of the 1987 season, the Hawks will hit the road to meet another Class AAAA team, which also is a long-time opponent.

After dominating Burkburnett 25-18 in their opener, the Hawks take on the Graham Steers at 8 p.m. on Newton Field.

The Steers, making their debut under new head coach Mark Ball, were "upset" 21-7 last week by Stephenville.

Coach Ball, who took over the helm at Graham in July when Midwestern State Univ. hired Mike Calcote to direct that school's return to the gridiron, inherited 10 returning lettermen among whom four were offensive starters and two defensive from a team that went 3-7.

Like most Steer teams, this year's edition is composed of large linemen and fast backs.

Among those returning is tailback Chance Fite who, according to the scouting report, is the only player on the squad that isn't platooned. The 180-pound senior is also starting at defensive safety.

The Graham offense is made up almost entirely of seniors, with a pair of juniors mixed in.

With Fite in the backfield are Brian Hetrick, 170 senior runningback, Chris Richie, 165 junior quarterback, and Trae Moore, 150 junior wingback.

Linemen include Wally Burleson, 210 senior center, Daryn Dickey, 175 senior, and Jon Jameson, 175 senior, at guards, Curtis Hofman, 225 senior, and Jim Littlepage, 215 senior, at tackles, and Win Graham, 180 senior, and Gary Armstrong, 180 senior, at ends.

Defensively, the down linemen are anchored by Wes Meacham, 260 senior, and Kevin Green, 180 senior, at tackles, Ronnie Quillin, 170 senior, nose guard, David Trice, 190 senior, and Brian Wood, 180 senior, at ends.

Archer Mock, 180 senior, and Lance Spradlin, 150 senior, are linebackers.

In the secondary with Fite are Russell Taylor, 185 senior, Doug Parker, 170 junior, and Quin Scarborough, 175 junior.

With the return of George Storey from the injury list, the Hawks are back to full strength. Storey, a 230-pound senior starter last year, was hurt during pre-season. It is expected

to take two or three weeks for him to return to condition, however.

Quarterback Jeff Huff sat out most of last week's fourth quarter with an arm injury, was back in good form Monday, according to the coaches.

Iowa Park has won its last two outings against Graham, defeating the Steers 14-0 last season. In 1985, the two clubs met in bi-district play, and tied at 34-34. However, Iowa Park was declared the winner with a 6-5 penetration advantage.

The Hawks have won nine and lost five of their meetings over the past 17 seasons.

Commenting on the game, Coach David Baugh said "I think we'll play a better team (than we did last week). I believe they'll play harder, with enthusiasm."

Eventhough the Steers have a new coach, as did Burkburnett, Baugh said he felt Graham would be further along in its development than were the Bulldogs because they're running basically the same offense as last year. The defense is new, however.

Classes to dismiss early next week

Classes will be dismissed early Thursday of next week at all four campuses of the Iowa Park school district, according to Robert Palmer, assistant superintendent.

The early dismissals is required

because of some extensive electrical work to be done at Bradford Elementary.

Classes at Kidwell will dismiss at 1:30 p.m., 2 p.m. at Bradford and junior high, and 2:15 at high school.

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BY TRUSTEES

Valley View school to get second look

Though Iowa Park school trustees Tuesday night reaffirmed their intention to list the school building and grounds at Valley View for sale, they agreed to tour the facility as an option to building new classrooms at campuses here in town.

The board voted unanimously last week to list Valley View with a real estate broker, and Tuesday night gave Supt. Glen Mitchell the go-ahead to make the listing.

However, with the encouragement of board president Jimmy Howell, trustees agreed to make a tour of the building prior to the regular meeting Oct. 13. Howell pointed out that some members of the board had never seen the inside of the building.

With the addition of three portable classrooms at the Bradford campus and one at Kidwell, the elementary schools will be using 44 classrooms this year.

But next year, according to a projection by the superintendent, 46 will be needed next year and 47 for the 1989-90 school year, in order to meet the state-mandated ratio of teachers and pupils.

Board members have been deliberating on whether to add more temporary classroom buildings, build permanent classrooms, or take one or

two classes, such as the fifth and sixth grades, to the Valley View school.

Studies made this year and in the past indicate extensive costs for personnel, transportation, duplication of efforts and renovation costs would be experienced if Valley View were to be re-opened.

Supt. Mitchell said "My main hangup is the support people, such as nurses, special education, and others." But he admitted it would be less a problem is there were only one class moved there, rather than two.

Howell pointed out that maybe with more study, the board might see that re-opening Valley View might be less expensive than studies have indicated.

He did agree, however, that if the building and grounds could be sold at a reasonable price, the revenue would be well spent in building additional classrooms in town.

Wendall House expressed his opinion that, "If the costs are close (building new classrooms and re-opening Valley View), it would be better to spend the money on campuses in town."

Insurance coverage for the building is costing the school \$2,293 annually, it was pointed out.

Trustees Don Decker and John

Sibley are on a committee designated to coordinate the listing of the site with a realtor.

On building permanent four more classrooms at Bradford, Mitchell said he felt it could be done this year, by taking \$50,000 from the expected carryover.

He said \$50,000 has already been budgeted for construction, and about \$100,000 more revenue was possible this year than was budgeted.

The addition, if no restrooms were included, could be constructed for approximately \$200,000, he said.

Other land and building sales were also approved. Two corner lots of land on Clara, where building trades classes were constructing homes, were approved for sale, as was the old Home Economics house, across the street from the junior high, which has more recently served as the city library and a beauty salon. The land would not be for sale, however.

All four of the building principals made their annual reports on the start of the new school year. None reported experiencing any problems and paid compliments to facilities and staffs.

Enrollment, as of Tuesday, had reached 1,848, including 479 pupils at Kidwell, 418 at Bradford, 402 junior high and 549 high school.

Four arrests this week

Of four arrests made here during the past week, two were of the same man but on unrelated charges, and another came at the end of a 100-mile

Paul Thomas Guyette, 33, was arrested at 4:57 a.m. Thursday on West Highway on outstanding warrants from the Department of Public Safety in Childress.

He was released at 6 a.m., according to the police blotter, after posting a bond of \$40 for speeding and \$115 for failure to appear.

At 4:34 p.m. Tuesday, he was again taken into custody at 307 W. Pecan on a charge of assault, apparently the result of a domestic disturbance shortly earlier. He was transported to county jail at 9:20 p.m., according to the blotter.

Shortly before 9 p.m. Tuesday, Iowa Park police radio dispatcher was advised by Wichita Falls police that a pursuit was underway on US 287 of a white Porsche, believed to have been stolen Aug. 28 from a dealership in that city.

Five minutes later, a Wichita County deputy radioed Iowa Park that the subject was seen heading west on the Old Iowa Park Road, near Peterson.

Officer Tom Stephens set up at the Bell Road intersection, but was unable to stop the vehicle when it entered the city, traveling at speeds estimated at 100 miles per hour.

Stephens and the deputy split up and went north, suspecting the vehicle had turned off East Highway into the residential area.

and trapped it when it reached a dead end on Saratoga, near East Park. He

was arrested and transported to jail in Wichita Falls.

The fourth arrest was at 7:58 p.m. Thursday, of Stephen Ray rant for "probation violation (DWI)" and taken to county jail.

Aldermen to decide on officer's appeal

Members of the city council are to take some sort of action concerning the firing of a police officer, when aldermen hold a regular meeting at 7 p.m. Monday in council chambers.

Johnny Robertson made an appeal for reinstatement to the force at last week's meeting, and aldermen delayed action for more study.

An executive session, closed to the public, is on the meeting agenda, both for "personnel" and also on "purchase of real property," followed by "action as result of executive session."

Robertson's appearance was made in open session, as he requested. He said he was terminated from the department after refusing to sign a suspension for failure to attend a required seminar for all officers.

Chief Alan Sheffield listed three reasons, other than the missing of the seminar, for dismissal: poor work record, atmosphere of dissention, and "behavior we believe tends to bring discredit to the city."

The latter concerned Robertson's part-time employment with a private security firm where he was given permission by the chief to work, but specifically not to wear his weapon.

Administrator James Barrington will seek authorization to advertise for bids to purchase two police cars and two trucks, a one-ton and a half-ton.

He will also ask authorization to prepare specifications for addition and remodeling work on the police station.

An ordinance amending the city's issuance of annual permits to use the landfill will be considered.



RECEIVING EMERGENCY ATTENTION following a two-vehicle accident about 6 a.m. Tuesday on US 287 just west of the city are three children of a Panhandle area family. The mother, standing at left, was driving, fell asleep and lost control. The southbound vehicle crossed the median, spun and crashed into a northbound pickup. All five members of the family were taken by ambulance to a Wichita Falls hospital. Two men in the pickup were uninjured.

Reece, Adams wedding held Saturday

Following a wedding trip to Ruidoso, New Mex., Mr. and Mrs. Billy Lane Adams, who were married Saturday evening in the chapel of the Edgemere Church of Christ in Wichita Falls, will live in Lubbock.

The bride is the former Terrie Len Reece, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Reece of Iowa Park, and the groom is the son of Bill Adams of Carlsbad, New Mex. James Trent officiated the double-ring ceremony.

The decorative background for the ceremony was an archway entwined with greenery and topped with pink and turquoise bows at intervals. The lighting was provided by tapers in flanking spiral candelabra trimmed to correspond with the archway decor.

The vocal music for the wedding was provided by Mr. and Mrs. Dick Pittman and Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Burnam. For prelude selections, they sang "My Only Love," "I Can't Help Falling in Love with You," "Sunrise, Sunset" and "O Father Hear Our Prayer." They sang "Faithful and True" for the processional and "O Perfect Love" for the recessional.

The bride's father presented her in marriage for her parents after he had escorted her to the altar. She presented a beautiful picture in her designer gown by Picconi of white crystal organza enhanced with silk floss embroidery, organza bows and pearl trim. The bodice featured a deep off-the-shoulder neckline accented with ruffles and melon-shaped elbow length sleeves. The soft, full skirt was sashed at the waistline, hemmed with Schiffler embroidered ruffles and tapered in the back to a semi-cathedral train.

The bride's headpiece was a white satin bandeau set off with satin flower trim and six dainty bows at the back that fell in short streamers. Her bouquet of white carnations, pink rosebuds, white and turquoise stephanotis and fern added the perfect touch to the wedding gown.

In observing traditions, the bride carried a pink lace handkerchief that belonged to her grandmother, Mrs. Ed Reece, for "something old" and "something new." She wore her headpiece and a pearl necklace, the "something borrowed," from Mrs. Kyle Stone, and a garter for "something blue."

Students invite hair customers

The Iowa Park High School cosmetology department is now open for business, marking its 14th year.

The senior class will be under the supervision of Mrs. Val Jones, and they invite former customers and new ones to call or drop in for appointments.

As a special service to customers, they will be open until 7 p.m. each Tuesday.

CARD OF THANKS

Our thanks to Messrs. and Mmes. Joel Spruiell, Jack Onstead, Harrel Sullivan, Don Decker, James Barrington, Artie Everette, Gene Owens, Sue Gwinn, Helen Bartow, Patsy Burks who furnished the ice cream, and to those who furnished the cakes for the Summer in the Park event Thursday evening.

Myrna Robinson, site manager, and members of Friendly Door



MRS. BILLY LANE ADAMS

Mrs. Kyle Stone of Holliday, the matron of honor, Mrs. Mark Hoff of Windthorst and Miss Laura Bowerman of Iowa Park, the bridesmaids, wore pink satin sleeveless dresses

overlaid with pink sheer featuring one shoulder strap of roses, a rose at the waistline and tea length skirt. They carried smaller versions of the bride's bouquet.

The groom, his attendants, fathers and ushers wore grey tuxedos with pink bow ties and cummerbunds. He was attended by Dr. Tom Andrews of Phoenix, Ariz. as best man, Will Phillips of Carlsbad and Bob Cadenhead of Wichita Falls as groomsmen. Guests were ushered to their seats by Mark Hoff of Windthorst, Sam Houston of Arlington and Don Rickles of Wichita Falls.

Corsages of pink and white carnations gave added beauty to the tea length dresses chosen by mothers of the bride and groom for the wedding. Mrs. Reece wore pink chiffon.

The groom's parents hosted the rehearsal dinner Friday evening at the Sheraton, the bride's parents hosted the wedding reception in the fellowship center at the church.

They were assisted by Miss Charla Hickey and Miss Tammy Hickey who served at the bride's table, Mrs. K.K. Hickey and Miss Shelly Palmer who served at the groom's table, Mrs. Charles Hickey and Mrs. Howard Abbe, houseparty members.

New officers are elected

New officers of the Night BW of First Baptist Church were elected Monday during a meeting held at the church.

Mrs. V.I. Woodfin was elected president. Serving with her will be Mmes. Elmer Singleton, enlistment chairman; D.O. James, secretary; Sam Hill, treasurer; E.T. Patterson, mission support; C.L. McKinnon, Tammil Silver, Glenn Mitchell, mission study; J.T. Parker, Riley Thompson, Royal Service; and Helen Reed, mission action.

Mrs. Silvers conducted the business and Mrs. Patterson was in charge of the calendar of prayer for missionaries who observed their birthdays Sept. 7.

Mrs. Woodfin coordinated the program taken from Royal Service on "Unsung Heroes of Yesteryear" in Woman's Missionary Union which highlighted some who were not in the Hall of Fame but contributed invaluable service. These women were portrayed by Mmes. Roy Smith, W.F. Booher, Riley Thompson and Homer Blalock.

A salad supper preceded the business and program. Sixteen members were present.

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Miss Shawna Palmer directed signatures of wedding guests.

The refreshment tables were covered with crisp white linen and the decorations emphasized the bride's colors of white, pink and turquoise. The centerpiece on the bride's table was a five-branched silver candelabra holding glowing candles and a bouquet of flowers in the same colors. The three-tiered cake was iced in white and decorated with pink frosting roses amid the drapes and shells of sculpting, and a crystal heart centered with a crystal rose for a top ornament.

Other bits of table interest were the crystal punch service, trays of pink bell-shaped mints and pink and silver napkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Reece, grandparents of the bride, were special wedding guests.

The new Mrs. Allen was graduated from Iowa Park High School and attended Midwestern State Univ. where she has also been employed at the post office. The groom was graduated from Carlsbad High School and MSU and works for Sentry Savings in Lubbock.

Friendly Door Menu

Friday, Sept. 11: Creole liver and rice, buttered squash and ice cream.

Monday, Sept. 14: Beef patty with mushroom gravy, broccoli and rice casserole, blackeyed peas and diced pears with topping.

Tuesday, Sept. 15: Chicken pot pie, green beans, carrot/raisin salad and jello with fruit.

Wednesday, Sept. 16: Meatloaf, parslid sliced potatoes, boiled okra/tomatoes, cornbread and banana cake.

Thursday, Sept. 17: Braised beef tips over noodles, corn salas, brussel sprouts, roll and whipped jello.

Helping is topic

Sixteen members of the Alathean Class of First Baptist Church, and one guest, Mrs. Larry Thompson Sr., attended the monthly luncheon held Tuesday at the church.

Mrs. Earle Denny brought the devotion on "Little Things We Can Do to Help Other People." Mrs. George Lewis was in charge of business.

Emergency phone system explained

Sidney Smith, executive in charge of 911 emergency telephone system in Wichita County, presented a program on 911 through slides and narration Tuesday for the evening Lions. He was introduced by Jim Sligar.

He explained the building data base of 911 before it can be put together by March 1989 for the local area, and emphasized the advantages of the enhanced version, which this area will have, over the regular version.

Sam Hunter conducted the business.

Jerry Miller heads Ministerial Alliance

Jerry Miller was elected president of the Iowa Park Ministerial Alliance during a meeting last week, as were John Mollett, treasurer, and Patrick Burke, secretary.

The Ministerial Alliance leads numerous community efforts and has assisted families in aid for school, utilities and food services.

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Cook of the Week



Welcome to Joe Galloway's interesting world of cuisine. Thanks to his wife, Jeanette, who answered him like she did when he told her that the Iowa Park Leader would like for her to be the Cook of the Week.

She said, "You be the cook, you are a better cook than I am." He apparently did not lose any time arguing with her over who was the better cook. Instead, he brought six of his recipes with him and came into the shop for an interview and picture.

His family and friends must know what a delicious experience it is to be a part of Joe's world of cooking and for those who do not know, they are in for some wonderful treats by just reading some of his mouth-watering recipes that are in this week's paper. Four of them suggest that he appreciates the advantage of the slow-cooking method.

He is a native of McCauley, where he was graduated from high school. He attended Cooke County Junior College at Gainesville and Midwestern State Univ. He is an independent life insurance agent, member of Christ the King Catholic Church and Knights of Columbus. He is president of the Iowa Park Booster Club and his main hobby is classic cars.

Mrs. Galloway is receptionist for Colonial Veterinary Clinic. They have two daughters, JonAnn Galloway of Arlington and Mary (Mrs. Kevin) Thompson of Iowa Park; a son, Joel who is a senior at Iowa Park High School; and a grandchild.

BEEF STEW (slow cooker)

- 2 lbs. cubed steak or stew meat
- 1/2 cup flour
- 1 clove garlic
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Joe Galloway

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HOT POTATO SALAD

- 6 to 8 potatoes
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 4 boiled eggs, diced
- 3 medium-size pickles, diced
- 4 Tbsp. mustard
- 4 Tbsp. mayonnaise
- 1 Tbsp. paprika
- 1 Tbsp. salt
- 1/4 cup pickle juice

Peel, dice and boil potatoes. Drain and add all ingredients except paprika. Mix thoroughly and sprinkle paprika on top. Serve warm or cold.

SLOW COOKER PORK CHOPS

Brown pork chops well. Season lightly with salt and pepper, place in slow cooker. Cover with one can cream of mushroom soup and one small can sliced mushrooms. Cook on low 6 to 8 hours.

MEXICAN MEATLOAF

- 2 lbs. ground chuck or round
- 1 cup coarsely crushed Doritos
- 1/3 cup Taco Sauce
- 2 Tbsp. Taco seasoning
- 1 egg, slightly beaten
- 1/2 cup grated cheese
- 1 tsp. salt

Mix all ingredients, shape into loaf, place in pyrex or baking pan. Bake 45 minutes at 350 degrees.

CHILI JOE CHILI

- 3 lbs. course ground round, browned and drained
- 2-14 1/2 oz. can stewed tomatoes
- 2 medium onion, finely chopped
- 2 jalapeno peppers, deseeded and finely chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, crushed
- 1 Tbsp. cayenne pepper
- 1 tsp. cumin
- Salt to taste

Place all ingredients in covered pot. Cook on medium 3 to 4 hours. If thin, uncover and cook at boil 30 minutes.

CHICKEN AND DUMPLINGS

- 2 1/2 to 3 lb. frying chicken
- 1 1/4 cups flour
- 2 tsp. baking powder
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1 egg, beaten
- 2/3 to 3/4 cup milk
- 1 tsp. pepper
- 1 Tbsp. dried parsley flakes

Skin fryer, place in Presto cooker or crock pot. Cook on high until meat is free of bones. Remove and debone chicken and set aside.

Mix flour, baking powder and salt. Beat in egg and milk. Drop by teaspoons in simmering chicken broth. Sprinkle with parsley. Add boned chicken. Cook on high one hour, turn to simmer until serving.

95th birthday is observed

Mrs. Pearl Hill of Wichita Falls celebrated her 95th birthday Aug. 30 at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. L.J. Shook.

Those who assisted with the celebration were another daughter, Mrs. H.J. McCrossau and her husband, Messrs. and Mmes. Willie Fred Hastings, Greg Hastings, Jim Stevens; Robert Hastings, Jeremiah and James Stevens, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of the honoree.

Mrs. Nell Hopking of Calif., another daughter of Mrs. Hill's was unable to attend but called her mother, and she also heard from her grandchildren and great-grandchildren in Houston and San Angelo who could not attend.

Cemetery group to meet Sunday

A meeting of the Highland Cemetery Association will be held at 2:30 p.m. Sunday in the Memorial Pavilion building, according to Mrs. Billy Gilmore, secretary.



KRISTI LYNN WOOD AND TODD WALKER NEAL

April date selected

Miss Kristi Lynn Wood of Iowa Park and Todd Walker Neal of Houston will be married April 9 at the First Presbyterian Church in Wichita Falls.

Miss Wood is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe E. Wood of Iowa Park and Neal is the son of Conrad Neal and Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy, all of Houston.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Iowa Park High School and a student at Texas Tech Univ. in Lubbock where she is a member of Pi Beta Phi and Family Studies Association and has been on the Dean's List.

Her fiance is also a student at Texas Tech Univ. where he is a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Texas Tech Marketing Assoc.

A SACRED TRUST

"A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for the time of trouble" (Proverbs 17:17).

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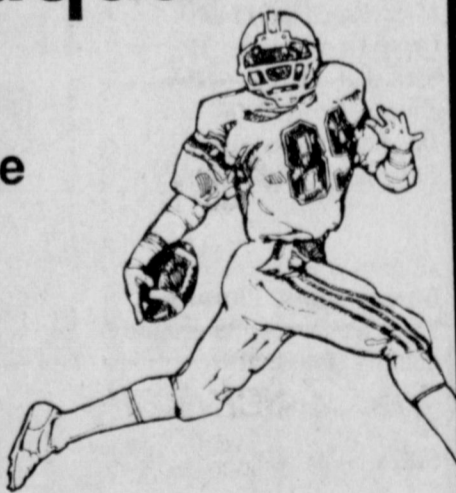
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As I See It...

By BOB HAMILTON



Well before halftime of Friday's football game against Burkburnett, I knew I was going to have to dig back into my records book.

Fullback Jim Cummings was having a field day, and he didn't let up. He set a record for most yards rushing by an Iowa Park player -- as far back as my records go.

Big Jim carried the ball 21 times and gained 262 yards.

I'm glad for him, and his team, but I was also glad to take the opportunity to dig back into the records to see whether he had set a new one.

Who was the current holder?

Well, it was Troy Thompson who, back in 1979, carried 28 times for 260 yards, against Weatherford.

Most everybody thought it would have been David "Red Hoss" Ross, instead of Thompson. And, sure enough, he was right up there, with 242 yards in 1973 and 245 in '74.

And both those big games were, like Thompson's, against our former district opponent, Weatherford, which is now a big Class AAAAA school.

Scott Weaver, as a junior, put his name in the record book when he carried 22 times for 233 yards. That was against Springtown.

Other Hawk followers gave Jeff McDonald a chance at being the former record holder. And he was right up there. Both his season-high games were in really big contests, too.

McDonald rushed for 191 yards as a senior, in 1970, against Hirschi. His biggie as a junior was 184 yards, set in the state championship tilt against Klein.

Chris Nethery had a game that put him in the records. He ran for 197 yards in 1981 -- against Burk!

James Beebe's name is also in the book. He amassed 191 yards in a 1984 game -- against Burk!

The seasons of 1976 and 1977 were such disappointments (we went 1-19 those years) that I didn't keep the records.

I did, however, enter the stats in 1975, when the Hawks went 0-10, and Mike Hayley had the biggest game of the season, against Brownwood. His season-high for all the backs was 65 yards.

Here we go with another fall of inactivity!

Labor union strikes.

Teachers in northern states are already walking the picket lines, United Auto Workers are about to shut down Ford, and, bless their hearts, the idiots who play professional football will be hanging up their jocks in a couple of weeks.

Bless them all. I had almost forgotten I could be angry with anyone.

More variety planned for park programming

The last of the this summer's "Summer in the Park" series held Thursday was deemed a success by James Barrington, city administrator.

Plenty of folks were on hand to hear music by the Friendly Door Rhythm Band and the Red River Blue Grass Band as well as a fiddler's contest.

Bryan Buffalo, 14, of Wichita Falls took first place honors, with 18-year-old Rici Luna of Iowa Park placing second and Emma Moser of Iowa Park, five, capturing third.

Barrington said 39 respondents answered a survey supplied in the program that evening, to be used to help the city plan next year's series of events.

He said some changes already in the works for next summer include varying the times of the programs, including more refreshments, possibly expanding to two programs per month, and adding varied programs. He added that restrooms for the city park will be built by next summer

and trees have been planted.

Some suggestions the respondents gave for new programs include talent contests, magicians, picnics, school carnivals and an arts and crafts fair.

Barrington said the planners of the series plan to use this year as framework for the next year and add to it.

The turnout to the summer series has been good, according to Barrington, with the greatest crowd pleaser being the "World of Records Day." He said the children-oriented programs, the play and children's choir, also drew large crowds.

He said on of the items on the "wish list" for next year's plans include involving more clubs and organizations, citing good fundraising potential for the groups.

Barrington said the city is open to suggestions and those wishing to respond can come into city hall or drop a note in the night deposit.



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Worth Quoting

We've got a new association kicking around in the Permian Basin that's getting publicity all over.

It's a tongue-in-cheek view of the downturn in the oil-based economy of Texas. It's called the National Association of Formerly Wealthy Persons and its purpose is to help new members adjust to a life of deprivation.

You are a shoo-in for membership in the NAFWP if at least three of the following statements apply in your life:

--You've had the telephone removed from your personal car in the past 12 months.

--Been involved in going through your spouse's checkbook to determine where all the money has gone.

--Dropped membership in one or more private clubs.

--Switched your kids from designer jeans to Levi's.

--Sold an imported car and bought an American-made product in the past 18 months.

--Started attending church on a regular basis in the last year.

--Invested in an oil well in the past two years.

--Sold a Rolex watch for cash or other considerations.

--Had a serious talk with your spouse about him or her getting a job.

--Sold a boat or house without replacing it with a bigger one.

--Missed more than three interest payments on a lifestyle loan in the past 18 months.

--Switched the family dog from Alpo to Purina Dog Chow.

--Are not concerned about the 1987 tax law revisions.

The National Association of Formerly Wealthy Persons also offers some self-help pamphlets for its members. So the titles of the pamphlets are:

"How to fire a maid: living life without domestics!"

"Teaching your spouse how to cook!"

"How to tell your wife about her

missing jewelry!"

"Ten indignant comments when your credit card is rejected!"

"How to organize a garage sale!"

"Poverty: opportunity for three

clean tax returns in a row."

"Will they really shut off the electricity?"

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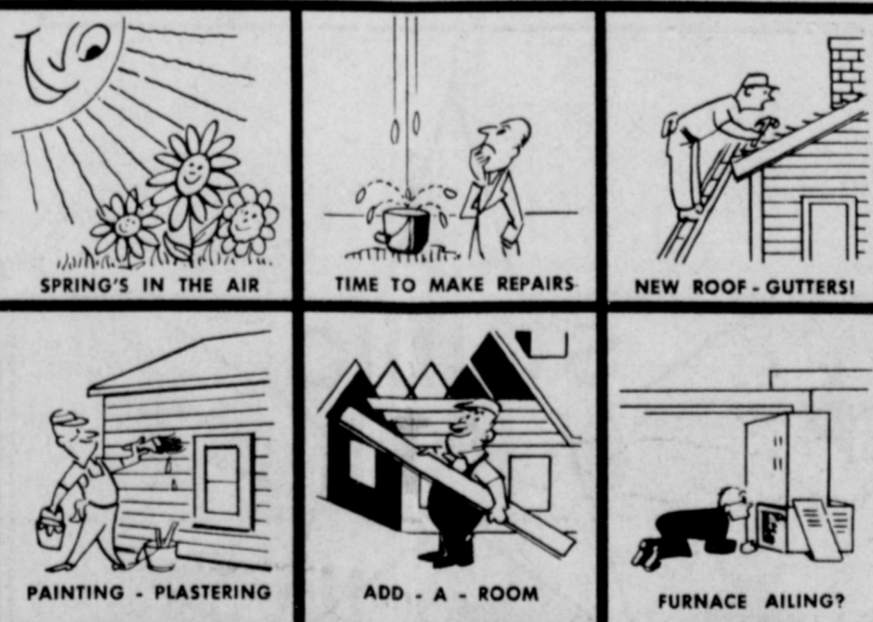
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