

Favorites, Mr. and Miss Tascosa Unveiled at Ball

The PIONEER

Vol. V, No. 5

TASCOSA HIGH SCHOOL, AMARILLO, TEXAS Wednesday, December 19, 1962

Into Everything—Add to Everything

Cobb, Tibbetts Are Dan, Ann

Outstanding in their service to Tascosa, their co-operation with teachers and friends, and their ability to handle responsibility have won Cheryl Tibbetts and Norman Cobb the honor of becoming the December Rebel Ann and Tascosa Dan.

"Cheryl Tibbetts, as co-chairman of the decoration committee of the Crystal Ball, has worked very hard, and has done a fabulous job," declared Jan Bowen, junior.

Cheryl Cuts Calmly

"I worked, along with many others, with Cheryl on the committee and I've never seen anyone remain so calm throughout the mass confusion of cutting vast amounts of crepe paper and obtaining and preparing all materials which were used. She has a pleasing personality which makes her very easy to work with."

Kay Stubblefield, senior, de-

Las Mercedes, Tascosa's yearbook, tied for first place in its division with the Highlander of Dallas at the Texas High School Press Association in Denton recently. The Pioneer received an All-Texas rating.

clares that Cheryl is so easy to get along with and has never met a stranger. One day Kay says she and Cheryl were downtown and happened to meet an old friend of Kay's whom Cheryl had never met. But within five minutes, Kay said that Cheryl was chatting with the girl as if she had known her all her life!

Cobb Called Co-operative

Terry Eisensmidt, junior, asserted that Norman Cobb, Tascosa Dan, was one of the most dependable, co-operative, and enthusiastic boys in Tascosa. By serving as president of Student Council, Head Wrangler, taking charge of this year's foreign exchange student, Detlef Walter, and an active member of Key Club, Norman has charge of many school activities and projects of which he contributes his natural qualities of leadership and dependability.

"Norman Cobb's vibrant personality, enthusiasm, his co-operation with teachers, school, and friends, and his willingness to help in all school activities, make him an outstanding and lasting friend to everyone with whom he comes in contact," says Donna Bannister, junior.

More than 500 students waited anxiously for the presentation of Mr. and Miss Tascosa and class favorites at the Crystal Ball in the Tascosa commons Saturday, Dec. 16.

Ben Lokey and Vicky Nicholson were chosen to represent Tascosa as Mr. and Miss Tascosa.

Cheryl Tibbetts and Jerry Perry were elected senior favorites. Linda Perry and John Allen were honored as junior favorites. Tana DelPrete and David Kiker were presented as favorites of the sophomore class.

"I was very surprised, but I felt relaxed because I knew I would take it the way it came," explained Cheryl Tibbetts. "A great honor has been given me, and it has made me very proud."

Jerry Perry stated, "I was very nervous and very glad. It helped to make my senior year my best year in high school."

"I was surprised even to get in the runoffs. I was very happy that I was chosen, but I was even happier when I learned

that my brother, Jerry, had been elected senior favorite," exclaimed Linda Perry. "Everybody worked so hard to make the dance a success and the decorations were beautiful."

"I just barely heard them say my name, and I didn't even know I had won until they pinned the boutonniere on me," said John Allen happily.

Tana DelPrete said, "My first year at Tascosa has been so wonderful. Since I am a sophomore, I did not know if I would feel a part of Tascosa. The juniors and seniors have really made me feel like a Rebel."

"At first I couldn't believe it, but it felt great!" exclaimed David Kiker. "My first year in Tascosa has been my greatest year in school. I feel very proud to be favorite, and I only hope that I can live up to the students' expectations of me."

Martha Young, co-editor of The Pioneer, and David Ater, editor of Las Memorias, served as emcees when the favorites and Mr. and Miss Tascosa were presented on stage.

From Teens to Trials

Drama Dates Set

"Dino," by Reginald Rose, will be given during the first part of January. "The Crucible" by Arthur Miller, is set later in the month. Both dramas, staged by Thespians, will appear in the THS auditorium.

"Dino," which is about a teenager who runs with a gang, and the trouble he gets into, stars Lindy Smith as Dino Falcairo; Tony Bass as Mr. Sheridan; Jane Scanlan as Shirley Wallace; Candy Loomis as Jackie; Sherry Smith as Miss Haines; Ronnie Porter as Danny; Ike Edwards as Steve; Steve Reeves as Mr. Mandel; Larry Strickland as Tony Falcairo; Donna Little as Mrs. Falcairo; Linda Little as Mrs. Mikula and the first young woman; Glen Heath as Mr. Falcairo; Carol Caddell as Bea; Anita Denhart as Silvia; and Lynne Morgan as Della.

"The Crucible" relates the Salem witch trials. The cast features Barry Cline as Rev. Hale; Dale Denny as Danforth; Mary

Woodward as Betty; Lindsey Dowell as Abigail Williams; David Souther as Rev. Parris; Becky Davis as Elizabeth Proctor; Rita Smith as Mary Warren; Janet Burnham as Tituba; Jimmy McMahan as John Proctor; Jesse Kirkland as Thomas Putnam; Mike Boucher as Giles Corey; John Woodward as Frances Nurse; Panet Burnham as Rebecca Nurse; Donna George as Susanna Walcott; and Joan Langlet as Mercy Lewis.

Huffman Wins Science Award

Chuck Huffman, senior, and top science student for 3½ years, will receive the Bausch and Lomb Honorary Science Award Medal. As the winner, he is eligible to compete for the annual Science Scholarship at the University of Rochester sponsored by Bausch and Lomb Incorporated.

After winners apply, the Rochester Scholarship Committee studies all applications and selects 30 of the most promising candidates as finalists. These students are notified of the Committee's selection late in February, and finalists from all parts of the country are invited to Rochester for three days with all expenses paid. There they have interviews and competitive tests to determine the scholarship winners.

If Chuck passes the interviews and tests, he is eligible for a four-year scholarship. Only three or more scholarships are provided annually having a total combined value of \$21,600. His chances are 1 in 20.



REBEL BOOSTER . . . Norman Cobb, senior, was selected as Rebel Dan for the month of December. Not pictured is Rebel Ann, Cheryl Tibbetts.

—PIONEER photo by Keith Bentley

Senior Girls Take Betty Crocker Test

Giving senior girls a deeper understanding and appreciation of their role as homemakers and inspiring them to make better homes, the Betty Crocker Search for the American Homemaker of Tomorrow knowledge and attitude test sponsored by General Mills, was given to 35 senior girls Dec. 4 by E. L. Hammit, senior counselor.

The test consisted of 125 multiple choice objective questions and one essay question ranging in subject matter from working out a family budget to bringing up children and selecting furnishings for the home and personal clothing. Results of the test will be known in about nine weeks.

One winner will be selected from Tascosa to go to the state finals. The winner at Tascosa receives a Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow pin. The state winner receives a \$1,500 scholarship to the college of her choice and an expense paid educational tour for her and her advisor to New York City, Washington, D.C., and Colonial Williamsburg, Va. The All-American Homemaker of Tomorrow receives a \$5,000 scholarship.

Rebel Work Pays Off In Boys Ranch Check

Howard Lynch, Tascosa's principal, will present a check for more than \$1,200 to Cal Farley, founder of Boys' Ranch, at the annual Christmas Assembly tomorrow.

When Mr. Lynch presents the check to Cal Farley, it will represent more than dollars and cents. It will represent the concern of 1,559 ingenious Tascosa students, who have invented schemes, ranging from peddling homemade cookies in homeroom period to cashing in collected coke bottles, to collect over \$900 with which to buy Christmas suits for the boys.

The largest project was the Spaghetti Supper hosted by Student Council members. Over 600 people ate the spaghetti, specially prepared by Rocco J. DeSalvo, director of cafeterias of Amarillo Public Schools. The event which may become annual, raised \$300 for the Boys' Ranch Fund.

All the Rebels' work will be richly rewarded by the thought

of the radiant smile of a little boy in his very own new suit of clothes.



FOOD FOR FUNDS . . . Ruby Briscoe, Joe Murray and Karan Morgan buy cookies at the cafeteria to sell to homerooms for the Boys' Ranch collection.

—PIONEER photo by Van Cook

Wrestlers Meet AHS After Win Over Dons

Recovering from an earlier loss to Boys' Ranch, the Tascosa wrestling team defeated Palo Duro 28-13 in the Palo Duro Gymnasium, Dec. 10.

Three pins were chalked up by Tascosa matmen. Eddie Bennett, Steve Carter and Melvin Bell were the victors by pins. Ray Carter, James Baker, Charles Leebetter and Bill Bolls won decisions in their matches, while Steve Eaker earned a tie in his match.

The T.H.S. wrestling team meets AHS in their gym tonight. On Jan. 16 PDHS tries, here, to revenge their first loss.

AHS is at Tascosa Jan. 21. All "B" team games start at 6:30 p.m. with varsity matches at 8 p.m. The city tournament will be in the T.H.S. gym Jan. 25 and 26. The first match starts at 6 p.m. Friday. Saturday, matches begin at 10 a.m. and at 6 p.m.

In the earlier match with Boys' Ranch, James Kille, head wrestling coach, felt that his team was hurt by inexperience. Bill Bolls, the only returning A-team letterman this year, was the only victorious Rebel grappler in that contest. The Tascosans have very few heavyweights, another handicap

Tascosa Distributes 14 On City, District Teams

The 1962 Rebel football team had five members chosen for All-District, long with nine All-City honors by the coaches and sportswriters of District 3-AAAA here December 6.

Heading the selected groups was Paul Bennett, who received All-District honors both offensively and defensively, and John Weidling, chosen on both offensive and defensive teams.

On the Coaches' All-District team, Weidling, at quarterback; Bennett, offensive end and defensive tackle; Jerry Perry, linebacker; and Pat Harkins, defensive cornerback; Tommy Denton, along with Perry, Weidling and Bennett, was selected on the Amarillo Globe-News All-District team.

A host of Tascosa lads were chosen for the All-City team. Denton, Bennett, Melvin Bell, Bill Defee, Mark Yarbrough and John Tyler were selected for the offensive team. Defensively, it was Bennett once again, Weidling, Perry and John Bentley.

Weidling finished fifth in District 3-AAAA in total offense, and a very close second in passing yardage, although he missed two games with a head injury.

Bennett was Weidling's chief target in the Rebel aerial game, leading the district in pass catches. Perry, a 150 pound version of E. J. Holub, was the main cog in Tascosa's defenses, once making 17 unassisted tackles against Borger. Harkins, an alert defender at his cornerback slot, recovered four fumbles this year.



HONORS . . . These ten football players were presented with various honors for Coaches' All-District Team, Globe-News All-District Team, and All-City Team: Front row: John Bentley, Tommy Denton, Johnny Weidling, Jerry Perry. Back row: Pat Harkins, Bill Defee, John Tyler, Mark Yarbrough, Paul Bennett and Melvin Bell. PIONEER photo by Keith Bentley

Basketball Team Takes Third Straight Establish Season Mark, 4 Wins, 3 Losses

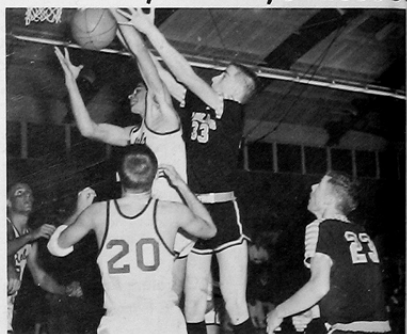
After losing three of their first four tilts, Tascosa's Rebel basketball team settled down to take three straight victories at home and took a 4-3 season mark into Tuesday night's game.

The Rebels journeyed to Odessa for a three-game tourney and Permian's highly-rated Panthers were their initial opponents. The Panthers opened up an early lead and led at the half 35-23. The Rebels closed the margin to 9 midway in the final quarter before a barrage of Permian free throws put the Panthers out of reach, giving the Odessa school a 68-52 win. Bill Bogan hit 9 for Tascosa while Mercer, a 5-7 guard, hit 19 points for Permian.

The Rebels then defeated Ector 55-37 to take their lone victory in the tourney. Pat Harkins paced Tascosa with 15 points while Quiroly hit 16 for the 3-A school from Odessa.

Odessa High's dominance of the backboards and a slow Tascosa start spelled defeat for the Rebels in their district final, 57-37. Jim Carter tallied 9 points for Tascosa.

Tascosa returned home to blow an early lead and fall to Sandia of Albuquerque, 45-41,



DON'T TAKE IT AWAY . . . Bill Bogan retains the ball as Paul Bennett and Pat Harkins look on at the Phillips game. —PIONEER photo by Rev Goff

in the Rebel gym, December 7. Wayne Holzer paced Sandia with 19 points while Carter hit 14 for the Rebs.

With one second remaining, Jimmy Carter hit a 20-foot jump-shot to give the Rebels a 51-49 win over Highlands. Bogan hit 14, Carter 9 and Harkins 12 to pace Tascosa as the Rebels pulled their season record up to 2-3.

The Rebs then defeated the Phillips Blackhawks 54-50. Aft-

er Phillips held a 29-29 tie at the half, the Rebels opened up a 46-41 lead in the fourth quarter. Tascosa moved into their well-known delay game and hit four easy baskets to sew up the victory at 54-50.

Tascosa raced to a 23-9 lead against Hereford and never trailed while hanging up a 51-46 victory. Bill Bogan hit 22 points while Carter hit 11 for the Rebels as they took their third straight win.

TASCOSA BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Dec. 20	Phillips	Phillips	8:00
Dec. 28	Jefferson (El Paso)**	Here	6:00
Dec. 29	Austin (El Paso)**	Palo Duro Gym	9:00
Jan. 3	Lubbock*	Here	8:00
Jan. 5	Pampa*	Pampa	8:00
Jan. 8	Plainview*	Plainview	8:00
Jan. 11	Monterey*	Here	8:00
Jan. 15	Borger*	Borger	8:00
Jan. 18	Palo Duro*	Palo Duro	8:00
Jan. 22	Amarillo*	Here	8:00
Jan. 24	Lubbock*	T. Tech Coliseum	7:00
Jan. 29	Pampa*	Here	8:00
Feb. 1	Plainview*	Here	8:00
Feb. 4	Monterey*	T. Tech Coliseum	8:00
Feb. 8	Borger*	Here	8:00
Feb. 12	Palo Duro*	Here	8:00
Feb. 14	Amarillo*	Amarillo	8:00

*District Games
**No "B" Team Game

ATHLETE'S

"Win At Home"

FOOT

By Bruce Magness
It looks like Randy Matson, 6 foot 6 inch, 210 pounder from Pampa, will be playing against a boy of superior size at least once or twice this basketball season. All 6 feet 9 inches, 220 pounds of Plainview sophomore Ronnie Teret will be up against Matson when the Bulldogs play Pampa. Reports list the Plainview center as a good shot who handles himself extremely well.

"Win 'em all at home. Then when you take the road, grit your teeth and fight for your life," is Ace Parker's strategy for a winning basketball season. And a very good one it is. The home team generally has about a 6 point advantage when they take the floor. Success of the team depends on their taking advantage of it.

Bill Defee, Rebel fullback, missed the Coaches' All-District

team by one vote. The senior found his best position perhaps one game too late. Defee received the votes of all the teams against which he played fullback, but was not quite as impressive at wingback early in the year.

Borger may have the top 4A team in Texas after all. Jerry Wilson, Bulldog halfback, missed two weeks of action lately after averaging 9 yards per carry in district play. Dean Alexander, who beat Tascosa with a 51-yard punt return, also was injured, but neither injury seemed to slow Borger much. It's evident that the key to their success rests with a terrific line.

"Here is an encouraging note: 'The goal itself is many times less important than what the struggle to achieve it does for the struggler.'—C. R. Rankin.



Junior League Sea Hunt

Rebels Learn, Practice Art of Skin-Diving

"All right gang, hit the water! Be back here in twenty minutes!"

A long time to stay underwater? Not necessarily, if one is equipped with SCUBA gear. Such is the case with Ben Loney, Ray Miranda, Richard Pack, Bill Henley and other members of the Manta-Rays, a group sponsored by the Amarillo Community Center and devoted to learning and practicing the skills of skin diving and SCUBA diving.

Each Saturday, the Manta-Rays meet at the Community Center to practice and teach "Novice Divers." "Novice Divers" are those new members of the club who have not yet taken the Manta-Rays' entrance tests and are practicing for entrance into the club.

Practice To Meet Requirements
The summer's activities include journeying to Lake Atlas, Lake Phillips, Lake Conchos and other lakes of the Panhan-

dle to use SCUBA. Self Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus for spear-fishing.

Under the direction of Carlus Moore, former president of the Amarillo Skin Diving Association, the group must pass the following tests in order to use gear and swim with the Manta-Rays: swim 200 yards on the surface of the water; swim 150 feet underwater; recover a 10 pound weight in 10 feet of water and swim with the weight for 50 feet; float for one minute; and, finally, tread water for 5 minutes.

Develops Skill

Gear consists of face mask, flippers, snorkel and aqualung. Depths of dives range from 10 feet on up. In the case of the more advanced members, 60 feet below the surface may be the scene of spear fishing.

Those wishing to join the club may contact any member or be at the Community Center pool at noon any Saturday.



HERE COMES LLOYD . . . Richard Pack, member of Manta-Rays, is pictured as he prepares to break surface. PIONEER photo by Van Cook

REBEL ROUSER

Most Precious Presents

By Martha Young

The holiday season is here once more, the time of year when Americans traditionally observe a day of giving thanks for their blessings and renew the age-old custom of exchanging gifts. It is good that we should do this.

But is it not also fitting that during this time of celebrating the birth of Christ Jesus, we should be mindful of our heritage and the trust it imposes.

Back through a filmy haze of history, we see names, dates, and places where people like you and me fought for their very existence so that we, their ancestors, might enjoy freedom of the very finest essence; freedom to read, speak, and pray as we desire. Yes, these people and events become real to us, not just printed words in a discarded history book.

The price the Pilgrims paid for survival. The bloody feet at Valley Forge. The thunder of

cannon fire at the Alamo, Gettysburg, the Argonne, Midway, and Pork Chop Hill.

Of these people we are and must continue to be: they who fathered Washington, Jefferson, Franklin, Lincoln, and Lee. These are the people who first united a continent with roads and railroads, produced the steamship, the telephone, the airplane, and the greatest economy that the world has ever seen.

Let us remember who we are, for a little pride is the well-spring of courage. Let us endure unflinchingly whatever sacrifices we are called upon to make to defend our beliefs from the night of communism, which is bent on destroying our faith in ourselves. Let us rely not only on the gold in our vaults, but the iron in our blood. And let us cling like ivy to the faith of our fathers until, in God's good time, all men are free.

Desirable Dates

No Dough? -- Still Go

"There's nothing in this town to do but go to the show!" "I don't even have the money to take my girl to the show, much less anything else."

The eternal problem — MONEY; the other eternal problem — NEW IDEAS.

Here are some FREE date suggestions:

- Dates During the Holidays**
- Go Christmas shopping or window shopping.
 - Wrap all the Christmas gifts (be original).
 - Pick out the family tree (then decorate it).
 - Make cookies and candy (ask Mom to buy the ingredients).
 - Go to church.
 - Call some friends and go Christmas caroling.
 - Watch the THS wrestling matches.

Dates Never Out of Season

- Visit Boy's Ranch.
- Go to the library and get a play, have some friends over. (Why not borrow a tape recorder to record the "characters"?)
- Take a walk in the park.
- Go to Buffalo Lake.
- Look over Lake Stockton.
- Have some friends over to roast marshmallows and watch TV.
- Go to Palisades. Take a picnic lunch.
- Take a drive to the Canadian River.
- Take the gang to a \$1 a carload show and take cokes in a thermos. Bring your own popcorn.
- Tour Six Gun City (near Palo Duro Canyon). Stage-coach rides, horseback rides, scout tours.

German Christmas Customs Similar to U. S. Practices

By Michele DeRieux

"A European Christmas is not very different from an American Christmas since most of America's customs have a European background," said Detlef Walter, foreign exchange student from Germany, in telling of Christmas customs in his country.

"In Germany one of the children's favorite customs is the Christmas Calendar," said Detlef. It is a colorfully figured calendar with 24 tiny windows, representing the 24 days of December. Each day the excited child opens the corresponding window, to find inside a picture of a brightly colored toy.

A more serious ritual is the lighting of the Advent Wreath. "The Wreath made of pine branches has four candles in it," Detlef explained. "Each Sunday evening preceding Christmas, one of the candles is lighted, until finally on Christmas Day, all four are aglow."

Same Effect Anywhere

Christmas Eve in any language has the same effect upon children. In Germany the children wait curiously outside the main room where their mother and father are decorating the white pine tree with candles and ornaments. The mother retains the animated children until the tinkling of a bell signals their entry. The children rush in. They are awed by the splendor of candles burning on the laden limbs of the pine, but the fascination of mysteriously wrapped gifts beneath the tree is too great to permit further hesitation.

In the midst of the unwrapping, the long-awaited Santa Claus, played by the father in full costume, appears. At his side there is the Christmas Angel Child, a small blond girl dressed as an angel. As Santa Claus gives presents to the delighted children, he teasingly warns in short rhymes that next

Candid Comments

Study Suggestions Similar

By Carol Jones
THE QUESTION:
How do you study for semester tests?

BETTY WHITLOCK, senior, said, "I collect all review sheets and left-over materials. I take notes, ask questions and arrange them to study with. I study at home in the midst of the confusion of seven children. I try to pick the quietest time of the day and concentrate. If people really have trouble studying they should get with someone else and work with them for additional help."

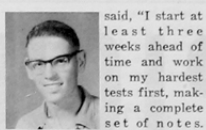
BOB PASSMORE, senior,

Nurse Teague Shows Patience, Responsibility

"I don't feel good."
This plaintive appeal is heard from 15 to 30 times each day by Tascosa's patient school nurse, Mrs. Helen Teague.

Most of these students are able to return to their classwork after a brief question and answer period. Mrs. Teague feels it her responsibility to see that students return promptly to class if they can. She feels equally responsible, however, to see that ailing students are sent home. "Mondays and Fridays are the heaviest days, Tascosa students sometimes being victims of 'Mondayitis' and 'Fridayitis.'"

Duties Vary
The school nurse is also needed for rendering first aid, finding and helping with the solution of health problems and locating defects in vision and hearing. Mrs. Teague is the sponsor of the Medics Club, an organization for Tascosa students who are interested in any



Bob
Writing it down helps me to learn it. I try to forget all about the test the night before so I can just relax my mind and be ready to go. I study anywhere but home. I like to have quiet if the material is difficult but otherwise it doesn't matter. I like to study in the morning because I'm tired of school after a full day of it. I am against staying up late at night to get your homework because you don't learn anything and lose all that sleep."

CARLA MATTHEWS, junior,

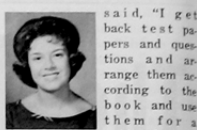
MAD MEDIC . . . Mrs. Helen Teague



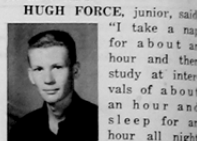
Teague peruses her schedule for the day.
of the various health fields.
Before coming to Tascosa, Mrs. Teague spent six years as a public school nurse at Littlefield, and five years as a nurse at West Texas State College. She first became interested in nursing while still in high school. "Nursing is a way of fulfilling a natural desire to feel needed and to serve humanity."

Likes Tascosa
"I like working with students and teachers," replied the nurse. "I've been here for three years and hope to stay many more." She goes to Margaret Wills Elementary School every Wednesday and finds the work similar to that in Tascosa, except on a "smaller" scale. She thinks that many students in Tascosa, as well as those in Margaret Wills, often tend to abuse the basic health rules. "The most important rules are to dress suitably for the weather, to sleep adequately and to eat properly. One can spend his money for good food or for pills," she explained.

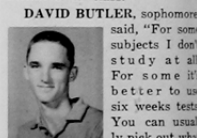
The friendly rivalry between Amarillo High and Tascosa High is part of the life of the Teague family. Mr. Teague, a math teacher at A.H.S., is loyal to the black and gold, but Audrey, a Tascosa junior, and Mrs. Teague carry the banner for the Rebels.



Carla
I get back test papers and questions and arrange them according to the book and use them for a guide. I study in my room with quiet so I can concentrate. I try to take notes and find that what teachers stress in class will usually be on their tests."



Hugh
I work. I go over notes, flip through the textbook and pay attention in class."



David
I am a teacher expects after about four or five weeks. I stick to general topics instead of details. I rely principally on knowledge I have already acquired instead of trying to cram which can do more harm than good."



Janis
I take notes and mainly use Janis the textbook.
"Ho, ho, ho, Merry Christmas, everybody! Christy Christmas. Hello there, little girl. What would you like ole' Santa to bring you for Christmas this year? A dolly, and a buggy, and a puppy dog! Have you been a good girl this year? Fine.
"Hi. What's your name, big boy?"
"Clay Cormack."
"Would you like to come sit in my lap, Clay?" The younger, son of Bill Cormack, choir director, suddenly turned to the jolly old man and asked, "Santa Claus, are you going to bring me something for Christmas?"
"Sure, son. I bring toys to all good little boys and girls."
Turning around, the little boy cried out. "See there, daddy. I told you so."

The PIONEER

Published bi-weekly by Tascosa High School Publications, Amarillo, Texas.

EDITORIAL BOARD

Betty Jarrett	Co-Editor
Martha Young	Co-Editor
Sue Murray	News Editor
Carol Jones	Club Editor
Bruce Magnus	Sports Editor
Keith Bentley	Photography Editor
Nancy Warner	Art Editor
Brent Finneff	Artist

REPORTERS

Cheryl Newbold, Jane Scanlan, Donna Lile, Mike Guth, Tommy Denton, Carol Ayers, Michele DeRieux, Jan Bowen, Sharon Terraz, Cindy Down, Kelly Beckwith, Mary Jo Landon, Cheryl Gussaway, Susan Kabb, Carolyn Husak, Lois Gantt, Judy Eskerton, Peggy Sullivan, Jo Taylor, Betty Timmons, Jack Tomlinson, Alan Wheeler, Wayne Woodward.



Student Body Chooses Vicky Nicholson, Ben Lokey

By Jane Scanlan

Ben Lokey and Vicky Nicholson were honored by being presented as Mr. and Miss Tascosa at 9:30 p.m. last Saturday in the Tascosa High School auditorium during the fifth annual Crystal Ball.

"It was the greatest. I certainly wasn't expecting it and I could hardly believe it!" exclaimed Vicky. "This is one of the greatest honors anyone can receive in high school. Tascosa has given me so much, and I am very grateful."

Ben considers this the highest honor he could ever get and hopes he can live up to established standards. "For the past

two years I have known the boys who were Mr. Tascosa, and I know how wonderful they are. I feel that there must be some mistake, for I don't think I am worthy of this title."

Ben and Vicky have devoted much of their time during the past two years to leading Rebel cheers. "They have been great in making Rebel spirit the very best, both last year and this year," stated Sherry Thompson, Tascosa junior.

Vicky enjoys water skiing, watching football and basketball games, and is now learning to play the harp. "It gives me a good feeling when I can get the right note every once in a

while." Ben is interested in gymnastics and teaches swimming and trampolining at the Community Center. He also finds time for dancing, water skiing, scuba diving and choral organizations.

Ben went to Sam Houston for three years before coming to Tascosa as a sophomore. Vicky, having entered Tascosa as a freshman, is in her fourth year here. She attended Sam Houston in the seventh and eighth grades.

"When I heard my name I almost lost my mind. I even started shaking. I felt like I was on cloud nine, and was so happy for Benny," stated Vicky.

"I felt nervous during the whole thing, but this has been the greatest birthday present I have ever received," replied Ben, who last year was honored by being chosen as junior favorite.

Ben plans to go to West Texas State College or Texas Tech after graduating from Tascosa. He also plans to complete two years of college before making a definite decision about his career. Vicky plans to attend Amarillo College for two years, and then she hopes to go to Texas University. Her goal at present is to graduate from college.

"I am very glad that Ben and Vicky were elected Mr. and Miss

Tascosa because they are very deserving people," stated Sue Ann Hayes, Tascosa senior. "Both of them are fine students and have done a lot for Tascosa."

For the past three years the cheerleaders have been given the honor of being selected as Mr. and Miss Tascosa. Cheerleaders Jimmy Woods and Terry Mike Johnson were Mr. and Miss Tascosa in 1961. Gary

Longanecker and Sharon Bogan were Mr. and Miss Tascosa and head cheerleaders in 1962. Now Ben and Vicky have become the third cheerleaders to receive this honor.

"Blue Heaven" Theme Highlights Crystal Ball

Silver and blue decorations highlighted the theme of "Blue Heaven" for the 1962 Crystal Ball Dec. 15 in the Tascosa Commons.

With mistletoe in his hand and a twinkle in his eye, a small red devil guarded the entrance to "Rebel Heaven." Mischievous angels hovered lazily on the walls and columns. Blue crepe paper streamers blanketed the ceiling and walls. A white Christmas tree decorated with blue balls stood majestically in the center of the Commons. Looking toward the trophy case, one could see

a small town nestled among snowy hills. Silver glittered stars hung from the maze of blue paper.

The stage further carried out the heavenly theme. Stars and fluffy white clouds were suspended from the ceiling. The favorite finalists entered through pearly gates as they were introduced.

Cheryl Tibbetts and Martha Young were co-chairmen of the decorations committee. Carol Jones and Nancy Werner were in charge of stage decorations. Nancy also drew the scene on the trophy case.



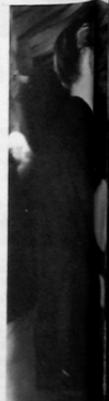
A LOVELY WINTER SCENE . . . The beautifully decorated Commons awaits the arrival of those attending the fifth annual Crystal Ball. —PIONEER photo by Van Cook



HEAD IN THE CLOUDS . . . Members of the Decorations Committee secure crepe paper streamers for the Crystal Ball in the Commons, Dec. 15. —PIONEER photo by Van Cook

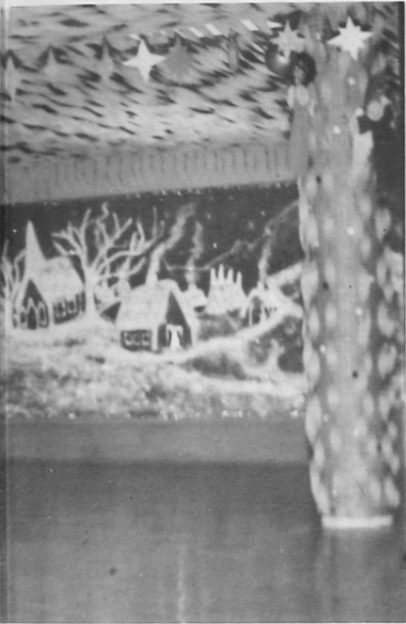


OUCH! MY FOOT . . . Suzi Duket and Gregg Daniell dance to the music of the Promarks at the Crystal Ball. —PIONEER photo by Van Cook



LET'S DO THIS . . . Night at dance

all
Musicians Win Annual NCTE



Rex Goff and Nicki Sue Bridges join the others in an enjoyable
— PIONEER photo by Van Cook



SENIOR FAVORITES . . . Cheryl Tibbets and Jerry Perry radiate their excitement over being chosen senior class favorites.
— PIONEER photo by Van Cook



JUNIOR FAVORITES . . . Linda Perry and John Allen were the junior class's choice for favorites. — PIONEER photo by Van Cook



SOPHOMORE FAVORITES . . . Tana Del Prete and David Kiker are all smiles as they are announced sophomore favorites.
— PIONEER photo by Van Cook

THS Organizations Make Contributions

By Betty Timmons

Everyone is aware of the emphasis put on giving at Christmas. For the most part this giving is to those who are very close. This is certainly well and good, but there are many Rebels who have unselfishly opened their hearts at this season giving time, effort, and money to those they do not know.

Money from both the faculty-varsity basketball game sponsored by Key Club, and the spaghetti supper sponsored by Student Council has gone to buy new suits of clothes for the boys at Boys' Ranch. Many homerooms have given bake sales and countless other projects to help our friends at Old Tascosa.

Tri-Hi-Y and Hi-Y together have adopted a needy family. The price of admission at their Christmas party, Dec. 21, is one can of food per person to help toward the project. A box of clothing and a Christmas tree with decorations will also be part of the gift.

D.E. classes and the boys' gym classes are each bringing canned foods to make Christmas happier for two other less fortunate families.

The girls in Y-teens made over 200 bouquets of artificial flowers and brightly decorated vases which were taken to each patient in a local rest home.

At their caroling party Girls' Glee Club sang yuletide music to elderly people in several rest homes throughout the city.



CHRISTMAS CHEER . . . Two patients pose happily with their vases filled with flowers made by members of Y-Teens. —PIONEER photo by Van Cook



ALL TOGETHER NOW . . . Practicing for their "debut" of singing to bed-ridden patients in hospitals are members of Girls' Glee. —PIONEER photo by Van Cook

POSING OR PROPOSING . . . The money pours in for the Boys' Ranch Christmas fund as two seniors "diligently" work to count donations. —PIONEER photo by Van Cook



OLD MARTHA HUBBARD . . . Martha Young, senior, looks perplexed as she decides which canned goods to take to the Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y dance. The two clubs are sponsoring a needy family for a Christmas project. —PIONEER photo by Wm. Gok