



FLORESVILLE HIGH SCHOOL BAND

Christmas Concert

HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
THURSDAY EVENING, DEC. 19, AT 7:45

Under Direction of Mr. Fritz Teltschik

— PROGRAM —

1. Band—"EL CAPITAN"—March John Phillip Sousa
2. Band—"THE GOLDEN DRAGON"—Overture K. L. King
3. Band—"WOODPECKER SONG"—Fox Trot Eldo Di Lazzaro
4. Bass Solo—"STUPENDO"—Concert Polka N. K. Bramstedt
John Wallis Pfeil, accompanied by Mrs. M. R. Connally.
5. Band—"ELECTRIC SPARKS"—March Francis A. Myers
6. Tonette Solo—"YOU ARE MY SUNSHINE"—
Avie Teltschik, accompanied by Mrs. M. R. Connally.
7. Band—"THEM BASSES"—March G. H. Huffine
8. Band—"THREE BEARS"—A Comedy Sketch Newell and Long
9. Band—"ALEXANDER'S RAGTIME BAND" Irving Berlin
10. Baritone Solo—"CSARDAS" V. Monti
Harry Woolsey, accompanied by Mrs. E. F. Woolsey, Jr.
11. Band—"SALLY TROMBONE"—Trombone Novelty .. Henry Fillmore
12. Band—PREMIER OVERTURE J. Olivadoti
13. Band—"LIGHTS OUT"—March E. E. McCoy
14. Band—"GOD BLESS AMERICA" Irving Berlin
15. "O, CHRISTMAS TREE".
16. "THE FIRST NOEL".
17. "O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM".
18. "SILENT NIGHT".
19. "HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING".
20. "HEAR DEM BELLS" and "JINGLE BELLS".
SANTA CLAUS—

BENEFIT OF THE SCHOOL BAND FUND

ADMISSION: Adults, 25c; All Students, 10c.

Everybody Come Help Your School Band



AVIE AS FLORESVILLE BAND MASCOT
3 YEARS



AVIE
6 YEARS

MINIFRED
12 YEARS

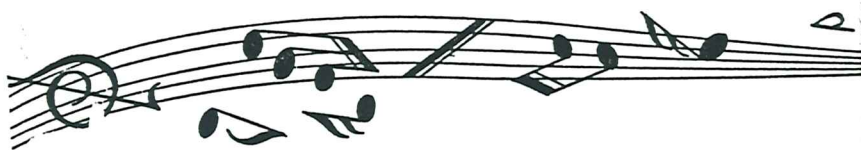
LORENE
24 YEARS

FRITZ
48 YEARS



1945

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Received 1st Divisions on Solos



Texas Interscholastic League

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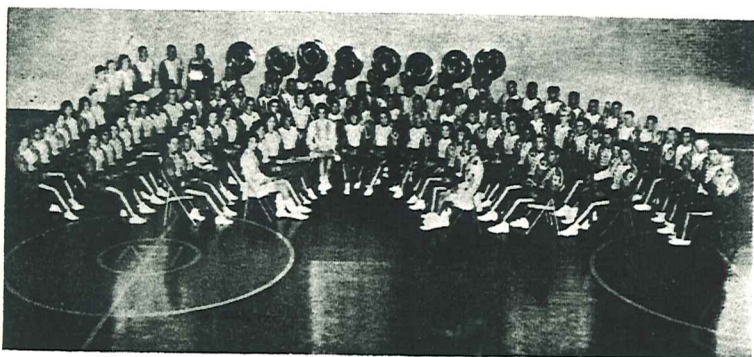
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MERCEDES HIGH SCHOOL



Mercedes High School Band

Flute

Janie Bowe
Joan Wilt
Diana Schwarz
Jo Ann Jones
Jann Whitlock
Gwendolyn Smith
Martha Hollis
Jimmy Edwards
Linda Adams
Connie Kelly
Ruth Gillette
Mary Jean Roser
Terry Cox
Janie Farris

Oboe

René Sumerlin

Bass Clarinet

Kathleen Jones
Rosa Mae Wheeler
D. R. Sáenz
Tommy George

Alto Saxophone

Chip Sparrow
Cecil Marchant
Regina Martínez
Anna María Solís

Clarinet

Claire Adam
Estella Marroquín
Terry Fosseler
Elizabeth Brammer
Carol Barnes
Gayle Phelps
Kenneth Brewer
Janis Sumerlin
Nelda Mondragón
Berta González
Don Warner
Ernesto Flores
Bedillia Quintanilla
Elizabeth Morgan
Elvia Ortiz
San Juana Salazar
Yolanda García
Martha Robledo
Mike Morava
Gracie Moreno
Hilda Díaz
Marv Ester Gutiérrez
John Irvin

Tenor Saxophone

Lawrence Onderdonk
Judy German

Baritone Saxophone

Gus Harp

MERCEDES HIGH SCHOOL - Con't

Cornet

Dewey Acker
Carlos de la Rosa
Rubén Champion
Grady Fossler
David Dillon
Robert García
David Powell
Chester Rowland
René García
Bobby Mora
Johnny Cantú
Dale Short
Emilio González
Steve Hollon
Javier Marroquín

French Horn

Layne Atteberry
Rex Downing
Ray Krause
Angélica López
Carlene Gordon

Trombone

Scott Downing
James Lee Howell
Wesley Horton
Juan González
John Powers
Ernest García
Jim Bob Wilt
David Marroquín

Baritone

Glenn Gulley
Abel Presas
Oscar Presas
Bennie Crenshaw
David Uresti
Willie Dominguez

Tuba

Bobby Onderdonk
Stebe Hager
Richard Brown
Danny Mora
Wally Bunton
Alejandro Moreno
Antonio Echavarría
Pete Cox

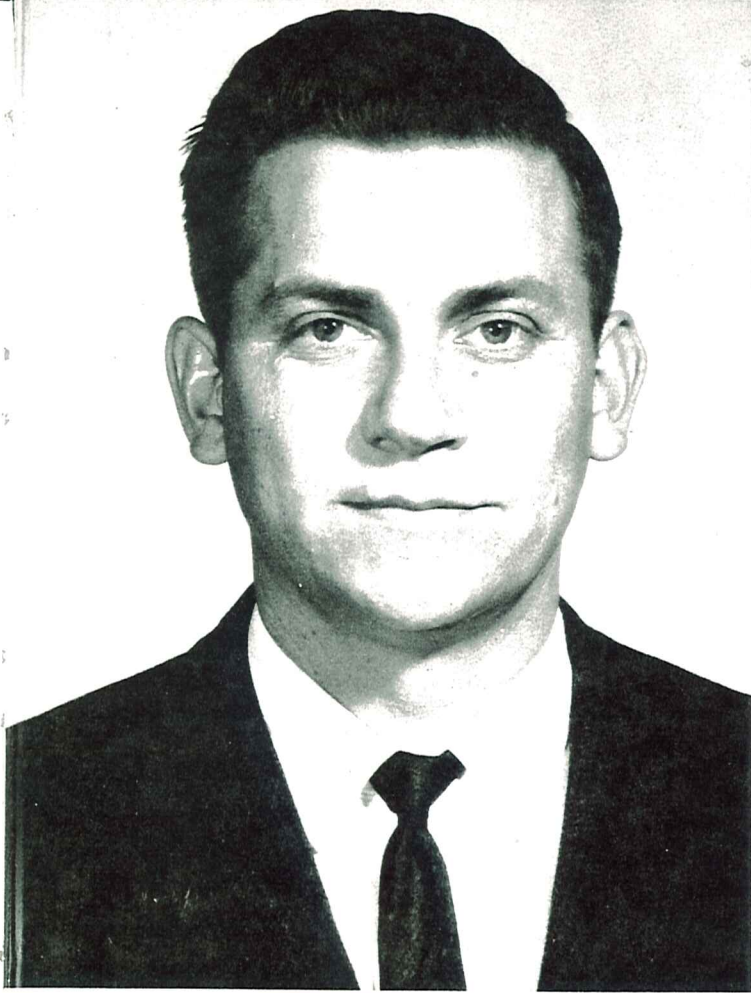
Percussion

Chip Wilt
Ralph Cintron
Mandy McBroon
Mary Brower
Alma Marroquín
Roy Crooks
Ronnie Leonard



AVIE TELTSCHIK

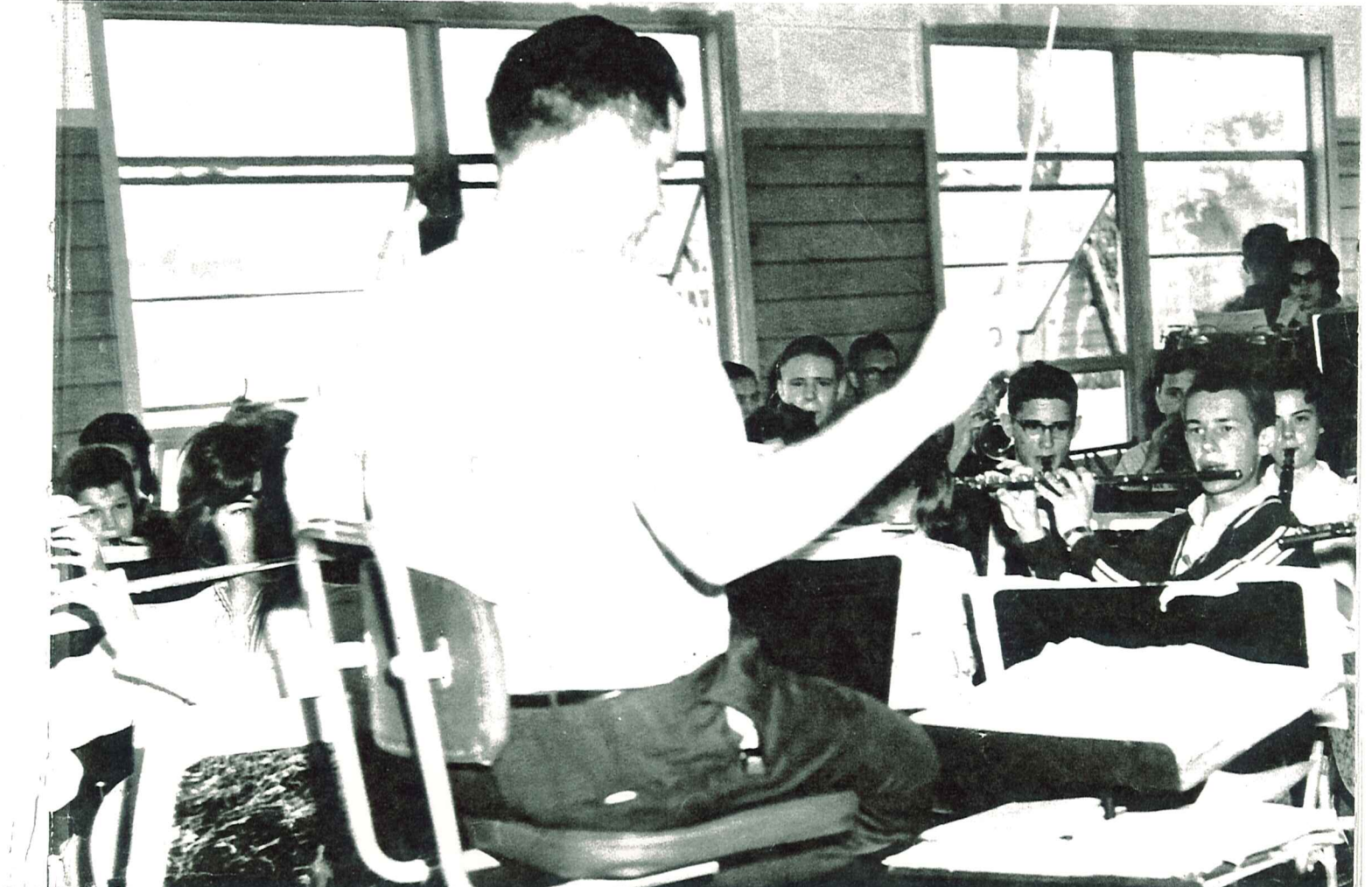
Band Director



Dedication

Although Mr. Teltschick has only been here a few years, he has molded our band together to achieve the honor of fourth place in State AAA Bands. He has worked above and beyond the call of duty and his kind personality is loved by everyone. We, the Bengal Staff, dedicate our 1964 yearbook to you, Mr. Teltschick, for being Mercedes High School Band's pot of gold at the end of the rainbow.

1964



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Texas Bandmasters' Association

25th Annual

New Music • Marching Band Clinic

Featuring

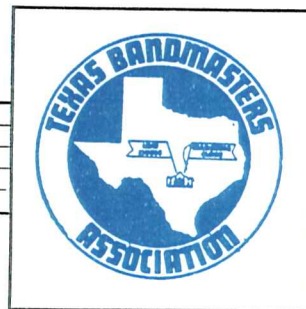
- ★ NEW METHOD BOOKS
- ★ FLUTE CLINIC
- ★ MARCHING BAND CLINIC
- ★ NEW MUSIC READINGS
- ★ FOOTBALL MUSIC
- ★ MARCHING FILM CLINIC
- ★ GUEST CONDUCTORS
- ★ STAGE BAND READING CLINIC
- ★ PERCUSSION CLINIC
- ★ ALL STATE INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC TRYOUT MATERIAL

New Music Readings

- ★ USAF CONCERT BAND, WASHINGTON, D.C.
- ★ FIFTH U. S. ARMY BAND, FT. SAM HOUSTON, TEXAS
- ★ 539th LACKLAND AF BAND, LACKLAND AF BASE, TEXAS
- ★ KASHMERE HIGH SCHOOL STAGE BAND

July 23, 24, 25, 26, 1972

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Tivy High School, Kerrville, Texas



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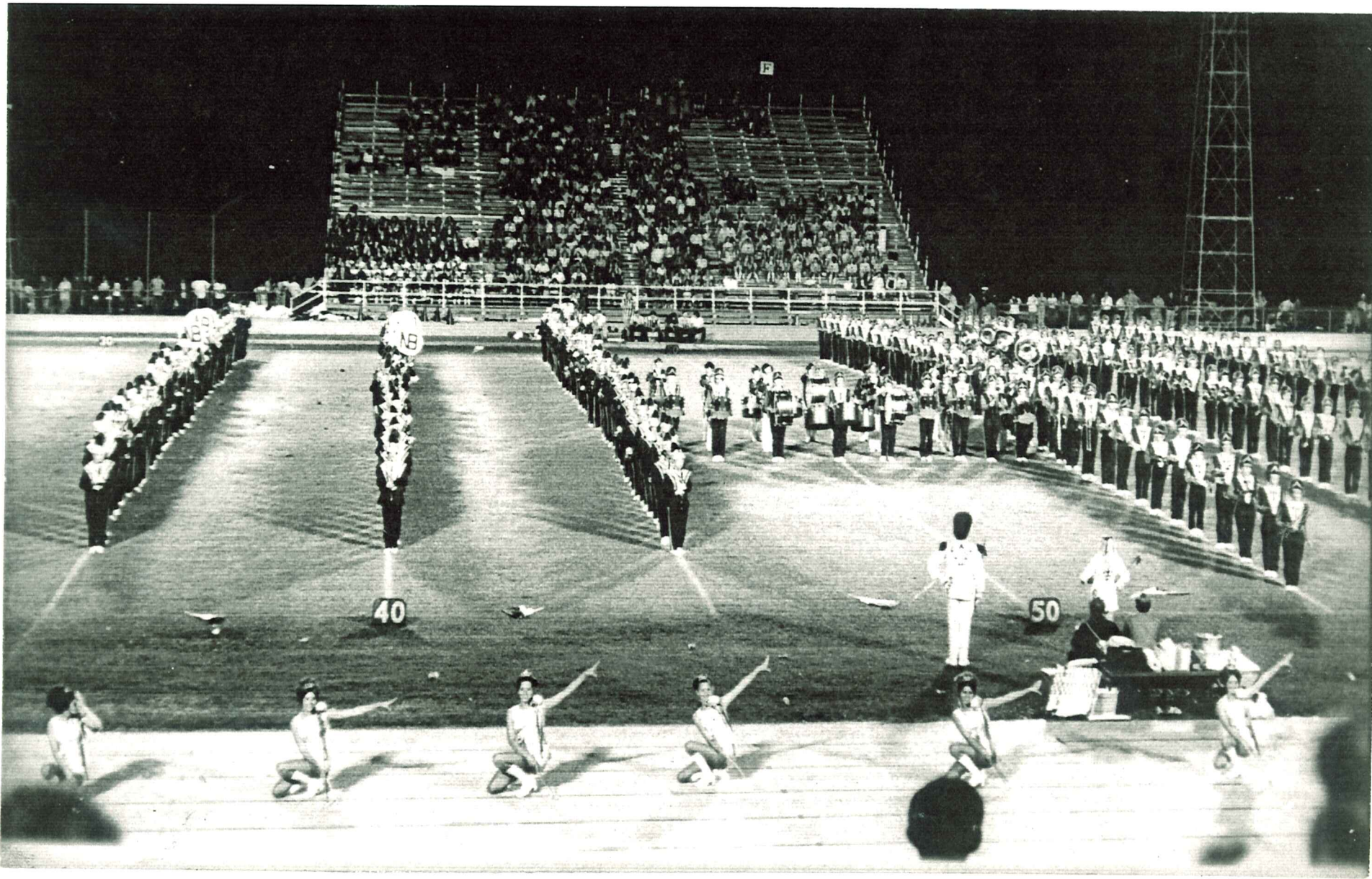
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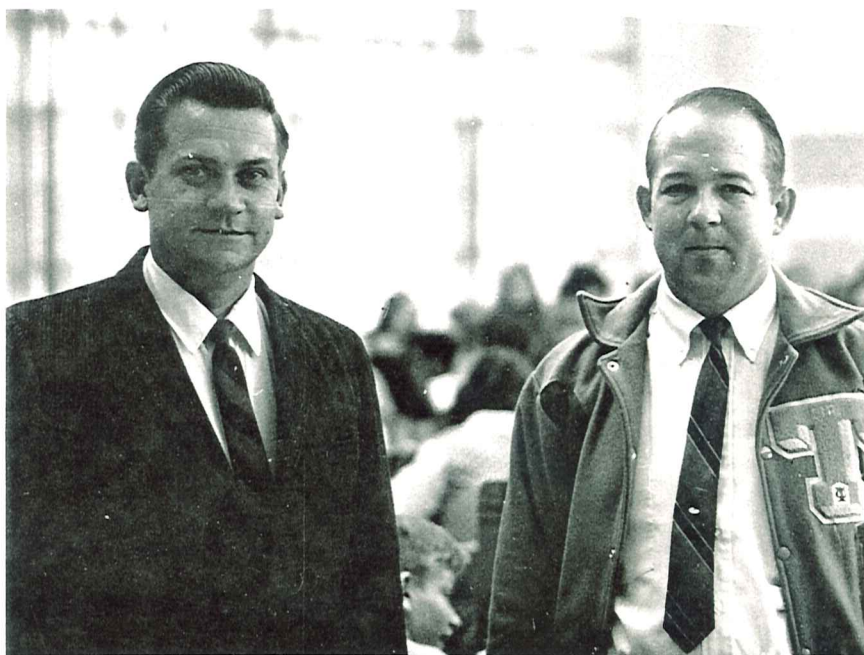


Antler Stadium - Kerrville, TX - September 15, 1972
Directors: Joe Rogers & Avie Teltschik (seated on sideline)
Performing "Get It On"

Tivy Antler Band

The TIVY ANTLER BAND is a group of spirit-building, loyal, and proud musicians—proud of their musical ability, of their director, and of their school. In order to achieve their supreme goal the SWEEPSTAKES, they must spend hours of concentration on music and marching. Mr. Avie Teltschik, new director this year, has succeeded in winning the admiration and respect of everyone. The ANTLER BAND is a very important aspect of Tivy Spirit.

1970



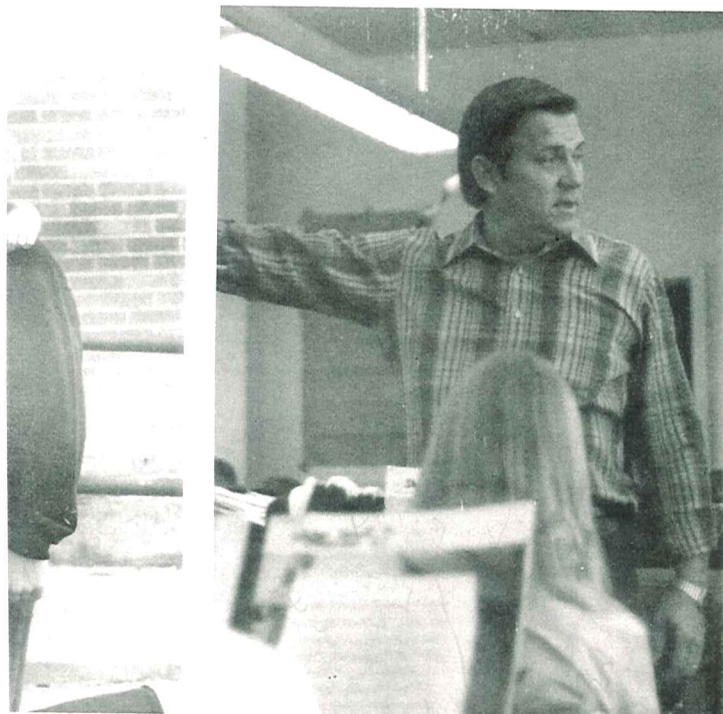
Above: Mr. Teltschik, director; and Mr. Wood, assistant director.

Tivy High Band Travels To State To Receive Third

The Tivy Band plays a large role in Antler spirit. They perform at all varsity football games, pep rallies, and in nearly every Kerrville parade.

Under the direction of band directors Avie Teltschik, Dan Huck, and Frederick Burgess, the band was able to compete in UIL Marching contest on November 7. The band received a one rating and went on to Austin for state competition on November 23rd. The band received third place honors at state to prove that all of their hard work and dedication paid off.

Their hard work did not end after football season. They were divided into the symphonic band and the concert band. They presented several concerts during the year and participated in the UIL concert and sight reading contest.



1982

Certificate of Recognition

for

Outstanding and Dedicated Service

as a

PAST PRESIDENT

of

Texas Bandmasters' Association

President Year of 1972

Avie Teltschik

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***THE TEXAS BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION
50TH ANNIVERSARY CONVENTION
AWARD OF APPRECIATION***

PRESENTED TO

AVIE AND JUDY TELTSCHIK

*FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP AND DEDICATION
TO THE BAND DIRECTORS OF TEXAS*

AS

PRESIDENT 1972

JULY 28, 1997



1985 - Avie Receiving Bach Trumpet From Tivy Band



Dedicated to the memory of

Avie Teltschik

*In appreciation of his
musical contributions to
The Sentimental Journey Orchestra*

*Charter Member
February 1996 - May 1997*

RESOLUTION



Award

WHEREAS, Avie Teltschik, retired music director at Tivy High School, dedicated his professional career to the inspiration and education of over 2,300 students in Kerrville, Texas alone, and

WHEREAS, Avie Teltschik, achieved an incredible record of 22 Sweepstakes in his 23 years of service at Tivy High School, and

WHEREAS, Avie Teltschik was honored by his professional colleagues across Texas by being elected President of the Texas Bandmasters Association in 1972, and

WHEREAS, Avie Teltschik continues, in retirement, to stand as an inspiration to not only former students, but to his successors in the Tivy and Kerrville ISD music programs, and

WHEREAS, Avie Teltschik continues to be held in high esteem as a judge for all levels of performance, in marching, concert, and sight-reading competitions, and

WHEREAS, Avie Teltschik continues to demonstrate his commitment to music as both a vocation and avocation through his participation in community music organizations, and

WHEREAS, The community desires to honor and recognize Avie Teltschik for his many accomplishments and his dedication to the community

THEREFORE, I, (Keith Williams, President) hereby resolve that the Tivy High School band hall shall henceforth and forever be known as the "Avie Teltschik Band Hall."

Handwritten signature of Keith Williams in black ink.

Keith Williams, President

Handwritten signature of Mark Jackson in black ink.

Mark Jackson, Ph.D., Superintendent

June 17, 1997



(Photo by Mary E. Davis)

THE CHILDREN of a former Tivy High School band director pose with the resolution officially changing the band room's name to the Teltschik Band Hall. Jim Teltschik, Deanna Teltschik Biddle, John Teltschik and Laura Teltschik came from out-of-town to attend the school board meeting June 17.

Tivy Band Hall to carry name of retired band director

By Mary E. Davis
Staff Reporter

The metal nameplate which bears the name of Tivy Band Hall will be changed to Teltschik Band



Avie Teltschik

Hospital. His wife, Judy, had been taking care of him at home.

The re-christening became official after Kerrville Independent School District board president Keith Williams read a resolution announcing the change, and then presenting the document to Teltschik's four adult children: John, Jim and

Hall in honor of a band director who spent many hours among its walls teaching 2,300 students to read music, play a note and march in step.

Avie Teltschik, who retired as Tivy High School's band director in May 1992, is terminally ill and currently in the intensive care unit at Sid Peterson Memorial

Laura Teltschik, and Deanna Teltschik Biddle.

Due to his ill health, their father was unable to attend the meeting. His children traveled far and wide to participate in the dedication. Deanna is a resident of Chandler, Arizona; and her sister, Laura, lives in Austin. Jim comes from Houston and John calls Plano his home.

"We are extremely honored to make this presentation," Williams said.

The copper lettering is not yet ready to be attached to a plaque currently located above the band hall's door. Large music companies around the state have contributed toward the purchase of the letters. A date has not been set for the ribbon cutting. It will probably be held in the fall allowing band students to participate in the dedication.

Teltschik taught band at THS for 23 years. For 22 straight years the school band won sweepstake ratings in sight reading and marching during University Interscholastic League competitions. Sweepstake awards are the highest UIL band honor awarded. The trophies are displayed on shelves in the band hall.

"This gentleman was a master at working with our students," said Dr. Mark Jackson, the newly hired superintendent.

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New Tivy band hall to honor Teltschik

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The former band director followed in his father's footsteps after graduating from the University of Texas at Austin with a bachelor's degree in music in 1957. His father, Fritz Teltschik, was the band director at Floresville High School for about 40 years.

Teltschik began his career teaching choir in elementary school for a year in Seadrift and Port O'Connor. He taught high school and junior high school bands in Port Lavaca and Mercedes before moving to Kerrville.

The teacher could play "just about anything," but was a master of the trumpet, Judy said. He was a charter member of the Sentimental Journey Orchestra. The musical group, formed in February 1996, played big band music at local dances. He handed down his love of music to his children. His daughters learned to play the French horn, while Jim preferred the tenor saxophone and John played baritone.

None of his children are currently working as teachers, though three did attend his alma mater.

Expecting changes in the future, Williams said that if renovations do occur at the high school and no matter where the band hall is located, it will always carry its new name.

Choking back tears, Teltschik's son John said how grateful his family was for school officials honoring their father as a great band director, an inspirational teacher and a talented musician.

"When we moved here in '69, I didn't really know if this town really knew what they were going to get in my dad. He was about my age. We left behind a lot of friends and family in Rio Grande Valley and we didn't really know what we were going to get," said John, a former punter with the Philadelphia Eagles football team, adding that the relocation was beneficial for both Kerrville and his family. "In the last nine days, we've seen him to where his skills have really gone down hill. This was awfully nice of you to do. That's really all I have to say."

The emotional moment ended with a standing ovation.



**Joe
Herring Jr.**

A great teacher named Avie

Avie Teltschik, longtime band director of the Tivy High School Band, was honored this past week by the Kerrville school board when the trustees of the Kerrville Independent School District named the band hall at Tivy High School after Mr. Teltschik, an honor fitting for this fine man. Wherever the Tivy Band practices, the spirit of "Mr. T." can't be far away.

I knew Mr. Teltschik because he was director of the band when I was a (rather poor) band member.

In those days, being in Mr. T's band was a great privilege. Staying in his band, however, was hard work. He seemed to know how to motivate his students to try harder, practice better, and give performances that were above expectations. He was a perfectionist, a gifted technical musician.

And he made being in band an adventure.

As a freshman, our band marched in the Cotton Bowl, along with two other bands. For months we practiced our drills on the field behind Hal Peterson Junior High, moving in formation with two imaginary bands. We practiced in the early morning cold, we practiced in drizzle, we practiced after school.

When the big moment finally came, we stood there on the field in our blue wool uniforms, our tall, silly blue woolly hats, our shiny gold overlays, and our white polished shoes. Every uniform had been inspected. Every instrument had been polished. We stood straight, ready. As the announcer mispronounced our name, and the sound of him saying "the Tivy Antler Marching Band" echoed through the crowded, sunny stadium, our eyes were on Mr. T. He stood at the edge of the field, and he gave us a slight smile. We marched and played our hearts out: we represented Kerr County, we represented Tivy High School, and we represented Avie Teltschik. We wanted to make him proud.

Avie Teltschik, during his 20 plus years as Tivy band director, only had one band that was not a sweepstakes band, and we were glad we were not in that band. To win sweepstakes, a band must be judged superior in three separate contests: marching, concert, and sight-reading. Marching is very complicated. You just try to get 180 high school kids to move the same foot at the same moment, in crazy geometric patterns, while carrying awkward instruments which were designed to be played sitting down. For the concert contest, a band performs pieces that they have practiced to perfection. In the sight reading contest, the band must perform a concert piece that they have seen only moments before appearing on stage. Mr. Teltschik would have us look at the sight-reading music, point out the places where other bands would slip up, and let us run through the piece once, maybe twice, before we went upstairs to the contest. The contests are judged by band directors from across the state, band directors that haven't had to put up with this group of 180 kids, their excesses, their loves, their feuds, their problems.

Mr. Teltschik led us to superior ratings every year I was in his band.

The lessons I learned in Mr. Teltschik's band were lessons for life, lessons that have

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Herring

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for life, lessons that have helped me achieve whatever success I have enjoyed thus far in life. Work hard. Be early. Practice if you want perfection. Improvement takes work and time. Keep your eye on the leader. Think ahead.

Thanks Mr. T, and congratulations. We need more teachers like you.

Joe Herring Jr is a Kerrville native.

Letters to the editor

Band hall namesake influenced many lives

To the Editor:

I read in the paper where the Kerrville Independent School District school board voted to name the Tivy band hall after Avie Teltschik, or as we so lovingly called him for many years, Mr. T. What a wonderful acknowledgement of a wonderful person, who so greatly influenced the lives of so many Kerrville children.

As the parents of four of those children, I want to say thank you to the school board.

We get so wrapped up in our own lives that we forget to say thank you to those who help shape our lives. I want to say thank you, Mr. T, for what you did for our girls. VaLinda still plays her saxophone and is the Children's Choir director of her church. VaRhonda was at a time the director of the choir in her church. VaNeda has played her flute in Mexico, Africa, Russia and China. VaNisha's time spent in the band was very rewarding. The only instruction in music came from you, Mr. T, and those who worked with you.

Again I say thank you, Mr. Teltschick, for the wonderful gift of music you gave to our girls.

**Rev. & Mrs. Perkins,
Pastor, First Assembly of God
Church**

Tivy band hall named after Avie Teltschik

By Mark Loyd
Times Staff Writer

Just as Tivy High School's fight never dies, neither will the sounds of brass, percussion and wind instruments that filled the school's band hall for 23 years under the direction of Avie Teltschik.

In a moving presentation Tuesday evening, Kerrville Independent School District trustees renamed Tivy's band hall after Teltschik, who has cancer.

Too weak to appear, Teltschik's children, Lara, Deanna, Jim and John accepted a resolution on their father's behalf.

"When we moved here in 1969, I don't really know if this town knew what they were getting when they got my dad," John Teltschik said.

What the town got was a winner. For 22 of his 23 years, Avie Teltschik led his students to sweepstakes awards, the highest possible in competition.

John Teltschik continued, "It's been tough the last two months ... In the last nine days we've seen to where his skills have just really gone downhill."

"This was awfully nice of you to do," he said.

Many present were moved

See TELTSCHIK, 8A

We lost a fine man, Avie Teltschik

To the Editor:

We lost a fine man yesterday. Those of you who knew Avie Teltschik can attest to what a fine, upstanding individual he was. He devoted his life to all he knew — his family and his community.

As a father, Avie gave nothing but love to his kids. His four children, Deanna, Jim, John, and Laura, carry on his love for life and each reflect, in their own way, his positive outlook. Judy, his wife, is to be commended for her thankless support through those late nights waiting for the safe return of the yellow bus as well as tolerating those pre-contest anxieties that come with being a band director's wife. It's a shame his grandkids won't "know Pop like I knew Pop."

As local band director for 23 years, Avie touched the lives of everyone he came in contact with — faculty, staff, parents, and most of all, his students. His peers across the state revered him as an outstanding musician and adjudicator — following his father's footsteps as a leader in the field of music education. His name will be spoken with reverence and his contributions not forgotten in those circles.

Avie's faith in God was exemplified as a leader in the Lutheran church and dedicated choir member.

In the 14 years I knew and worked with Avie, I never heard anyone say a negative comment about him (outside of what a tough judge he was because he "called 'em like he saw 'em," even if it was his buddy!).

Avie, I know you are looking down on us now; you did a heluva job. You will be missed here. I hope we can carry on your tradition.

Mike Kasberg,
Kerrville

Teltschik

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to tears.

Even though trustees are considering both renovation of the band hall and the possibility of building a new high school,

board president Keith Williams assured the community, "No matter where the band hall is located, it will forever be known as the Teltschik Band Hall."

Avie Teltschik, former Tivy band director, dies

THS band hall recently renamed for teacher

By Allison Pollan
Times Staff Writer

Former Tivy High School band director Avie Teltschik, who taught band from 1957 to 1992, died of cancer Thursday morning at his home.

"He was almost like a secondary parent to a lot of people," said his son John Teltschik. "To me his biggest contribution to the community was just doing his job."

Teltschik served as a band director in Port Lavaca, Texas, for three years, Mercedes, Texas, for nine years, and taught at Tivy High School for 23 years.

Members of the community

remember Teltschik, who directed band at Tivy from 1969 to 1992, as dedicated to his career and to his students. Known to his students as "Mr. T" long before Mohawk haircuts and feather earrings, friends said Teltschik shared a mutual respect with his students.

"Things that were important to us were important to him," former band student Ce-Ce Klein said. "He just lived for us — he probably worked harder than anyone in that band."

As a band director, he led his bands to 29 consecutive University Interscholastic League sweepstakes awards, 22 of those with Tivy High.

Kerrville Independent School District trustees renamed Tivy's band hall after Teltschik on June 18.

"He's done so much for this community and all the kids," said Rick Burgess, who worked

with Teltschik at Tivy High for 12 years.

"Back in those days he kind of helped put Kerrville on the map. Everybody in the state knew where Kerrville was and that they had a great band."

John Teltschik said his father and family have received much support from the community during the past months.

"I was here one Saturday and dad had visitors for 11 hours straight. It's unbelievable the time people take out of their days," John Teltschik said. "It really makes you stop and think and puts things in perspective."

He said the family has received countless letters and calls from friends, acquaintances and former students of his father.

"Everybody has been really wonderful for the last two and a half months. We're so thankful for the support we've had," John



AVIE TELTSCHIK

Teltschik said.

Memorials may be made to the Kerrville Area Community Trust, Attn: Avie Teltschik Band Scholarship, P.O. Box 1354, Kerrville, Texas 78029.

Editorials

Toasts & Roasts

Toasts ...

... Toast and a farewell to Avie Teltschik, Tivy High's admired and respected band director for many years who died last week. He not only instilled a love of music, but passed along valuable lessons in discipline, responsibility, pride of accomplishment. Sunrise, sunset, Avie.

Sentimental Journey Orchestra to play Teltschik benefit

Kerrville's own Sentimental Journey Orchestra will play a benefit concert at the Mount Wesley Conference Center's Moore Auditorium on Thursday, Oct. 30, for the Avie Teltschik Memorial Music Scholarship Fund.

Teltschik, known as "Mr. T" to his students and peers at Tivy High School, was a founding member of the Sentimental Journey Orchestra and a faithful stalwart member of the trumpet section up until the time of his death. A requested donation of \$5 per adult and \$2.50 per student will be collected at the door, with all proceeds going to the scholarship fund.

The theme of the concert will

be "Revisiting the Big Band Era" and will be narrated by James Balentine, associate professor of music, University of Texas at San Antonio.

Balentine — a noted composer, educator, jazz historian and performer — will provide some interesting insight on a true American art form as well as some of the most popular music ever published and performed.

The concert will be from 7 to 8:15 p.m.

Following the concert, the audience is invited to stay and listen to an open rehearsal as the band prepares for its next public dance engagement at the Y.O. Holiday Inn on Nov. 2. For ticket information call 896-1346.





Avie (Mr. T)

Avie Teltchik was a very special person,
Full of joy and zest for life.
He had his own beautiful children,
And a loving and devoted wife.

The reason he was so special,
Wasn't because of fortune or fame.
It was because of his love for all children;
Even those who didn't carry his name.

Avie had the ability to influence for good
The lives of those around him.
His love for children and music
Was a ray of sunshine that never went dim.

When we heard the music of the bands
In concerts or during football season,
We could tell by the way that they played,
That **Avie's** ability to teach was the reason.

When my son was in school and the band,
It stirred memories of my own school days.
In all of my school and life experiences,
Music influenced me in so many good ways.

Avie knew just how to combine
Love of music, discipline and fun.
He brought out the best in his students,
And helped them accept challenges rather than run.

We will all miss **Avie** dearly,
But his memory will go on and on.
When we hear or play beautiful music,
We know **Avie** will be playing along.

To **Avie's** loving friends and family,
Your sorrow will eventually subside.
Mr. T is no longer suffering,
Because he helps direct God's "Big Band" in the sky.

Thanks for sharing **Mr. T.** with us!

Rae Lynn Terrison

Calligraphed
by Rae and Poetry

July 1997



In Loving Memory

Avie Teltschik

Beloved husband, father and grandfather

Date of Birth

Wednesday February 13, 1935

Date of Death

Thursday July 10, 1997

Memorial Service

Kerrville Municipal Auditorium

July 14, 1997 11:00 AM

Officiating

Rev. Douglas McBride

Rev. B.J. Rogers

Interment

Garden of Memories Cemetery

Kerrville, TX

23rd Psalm

*The Lord is my shepherd. I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures.
He leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the
path of righteousness for his name's sake. . .
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the
shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou
art with me thy rod and thy staff they comfort
me. Thou preparest a table before me in the
presence of mine enemies; thou anointest my
head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely
goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days
of my life; and I will dwell in the house of
the Lord forever.*

Mr. Teltschik is survived by:

Wife: Judy Teltschik of Kerrville

Children: Deanna and Corby Biddle of Chandler, Ariz.

Jim and Tracey Teltschik of Houston, Tex.

John Teltschik of Plano, Tex.

Laura Teltschik of Austin, Tex.

Grandchildren: Karlyn and Brock Biddle

John Everett and James Blake Teltschik

Sister: Minifred and Ben Aouelle of San Antonio, Tex.

and

Numerous Nieces, Nephews and Cousins

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TIGER BAND RECEIVES SUPERIOR RATING

The Mercedes Tiger Band participated in the 21st Annual Pigskin Music Jubilee held in Weslaco, Saturday, November 16, 1963. The Tiger Band received a first division rating being judged on marching and playing.

Marches the band played were "Invocation of Albreich," "Trombone King," "The Field of Color," "Block M," and "Down the Gridiron."

The three judges were Mr. Weldon Covington from Austin, Mr. Fred Junkin from Victoria, and Mr. A. J. Fassino from Vanderbilt.

"The marching as well as the playing was excellent. Enjoyed the performance," stated Mr. Covington.

"The Band sure plays with spirit. Very strong players in the group produce a great

sound on the field," said Mr. Junkin.

"A fine performance, both marching and playing. Keep

up the good work!" exclaimed Mr. Fassino.

"We owe it all to Mr. Teltschick and Mr. Aguilar," stated Layne Atteberry, first



MR. FRITZ TELTSCHIK, Bandmaster of the year, and son Mr. Avie Teltschik waited apprehensively for Pigskin Music Jubilee award Saturday morning.

To Direct Massed Band Finale At Weslaco

Mr. Fritz Teltschik, local bandmaster of Floresville High School and Bandmaster of the Year, has been honored once again with an invitation to direct one of four



FRITZ TELTSCHIK

numbers by the massed bands at Weslaco, on Nov. 16. The Grand Finale will be held at 10 A. M. Saturday, climaxing a marching contest by top bands in the Valley.

"Uncle Fritz" as he is known to all his friends is worthy of all the many honors accorded him in the band circles, as he has worked long and hard at his profession. We extend our best wishes along with many others, for an eventful trip to Weslaco.



LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON -- Avie Teltschik, left, director of the award-winning Tiger Band, examines the van which took the band's uniforms to the Pigskin Jubilee with his father, Fritz Teltschik. "Uncle Fritz" recently was named Bandmaster of the year by the Texas Bandmasters Association. He was honored at the Valley revue and directed one of the grand finale numbers, "America the Beautiful." He has been band director for the City of Floresville and the schools there for the past 54 years.

--Enterprise Staff Photo



Late band director gets spot in hall of fame

From staff reports

A former Tivy High School band director will be inducted into the Texas Bandmasters Hall of Fame Monday in San Antonio.

The late Avie Teltschik, Tivy's band director for 23 years, will be inducted with his father Fritz, who died Nov. 8, 1983. Both men were lifetime musicians.

Fritz was taught to play the violin by his older brother Henry. At the

age of 12, Fritz and his brothers organized the Teltschik Dance Orchestra, which played for weddings and other celebrations in the Floresville, Texas, area.

From 1921 to 1926 Fritz served as director of the Floresville City Band, which then became the Floresville Tiger Band in 1932, playing for county fairs, city functions and high school football games. In 1926 Fritz organized the Floresville Junior Orchestra which was composed of his

private students.

Fritz organized the Floresville School Band in 1937, assisted by the Rev. R.K. Heacock. He earned the nickname "Uncle Fritz," as nine members of the 30-piece band were his nieces and nephews. His son, Avie, and two daughters, Lorene and Minifred, were also in the band.

While Fritz organized a host of other bands, the Floresville School Band received personal proclamations from Governor Coke Stevenson

in 1943 and 1944 for selling the most war bonds at their monthly "Victory Concerts." The band was chosen to lead the Inaugural Parade for Governor John Connally in Austin in 1963.

Avie followed his father's lead. Fritz taught his son to play the tonette at the age of three, and Avie grew up to become an accomplished trumpet player.

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Avie's first teaching assignment was in public school music at Port O'Connor as well as the Junior High Band in Seadrift. Being an instrumentalist and having to sing in class all day led to months of hoarseness, but he managed to survive by using some sign language.

From 1958 to 1960, Avie taught the Travis Junior High Band in Port Lavaca, Texas, and from there were to Mercedes High School in Mercedes, Texas, from 1960 to 1969. Avie helped mold them into a Sweepstakes band for nine years. They also placed in the top five in the Honor Band Competition.

Avie and his family moved to Kerrville in 1969 where he was band director at Tivy High School until retirement in 1992, molding them into a Sweepstakes band as well.

During his 35-year career of public school teaching, Avie's bands received 30 Sweepstakes awards. He was a long-time member of Phi Beta Mu and the Texas Music Educators

Association, and active in several dance bands, including the Sentimental Journey Orchestra of Kerrville.

Avie was also an active member of Zion Lutheran Church where he served on the church council, board of education and sang in the church choir.

He and his wife, Judy, had four children: Deanna, Jim, John and Laura. Avie died July 10, 1997.

The Texas Bandmasters Hall of Fame is sponsored by the international bandmasters fraternity Phi Beta Mu. One hundred and thirty-one band directors have been honored since Phi Beta Mu initiated the Hall of Fame in 1975.

To be eligible for consideration, a band director must have produced and maintained an outstanding and consistent band program in the Texas public schools.

The induction ceremony will be held during the Texas Bandmasters annual convention in San Antonio on Monday at 3 p.m. in the Mezzanine Salons of the Marriot Riverwalk Hotel.

Avie Teltschik, former Tivy band director, dies

THS band hall recently renamed for teacher

By Allison Pollan
Times Staff Writer

Former Tivy High School band director Avie Teltschik, who taught band from 1957 to 1992, died of cancer Thursday morning at his home.

"He was almost like a secondary parent to a lot of people," said his son John Teltschik. "To me his biggest contribution to the community was just doing his job."

Teltschik served as a band director in Port Lavaca, Texas, for three years, Mercedes, Texas, for nine years, and taught at Tivy High School for 23 years.

Members of the community

remember Teltschik, who directed band at Tivy from 1969 to 1992, as dedicated to his career and to his students. Known to his students as "Mr. T" long before Mohawk haircuts and feather earrings, friends said Teltschik shared a mutual respect with his students.

"Things that were important to us were important to him," former band student Ce-Ce Klein said. "He just lived for us — he probably worked harder than anyone in that band."

As a band director, he led his bands to 29 consecutive University Interscholastic League sweepstakes awards, 22 of those with Tivy High.

Kerrville Independent School District trustees renamed Tivy's band hall after Teltschik on June 18.

"He's done so much for this community and all the kids," said Rick Burgess, who worked

with Teltschik at Tivy High for 12 years.

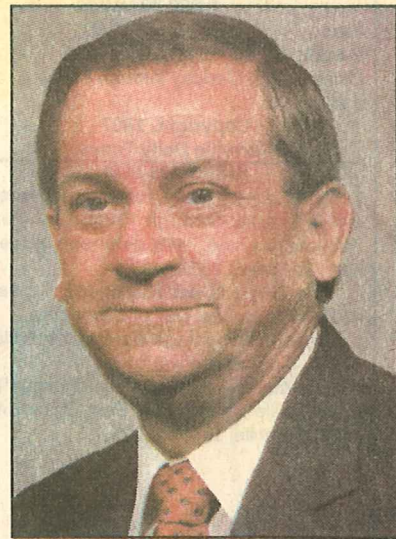
"Back in those days he kind of helped put Kerrville on the map. Everybody in the state knew where Kerrville was and that they had a great band."

John Teltschik said his father and family have received much support from the community during the past months.

"I was here one Saturday and dad had visitors for 11 hours straight. It's unbelievable the time people take out of their days," John Teltschik said. "It really makes you stop and think and puts things in perspective."

He said the family has received countless letters and calls from friends, acquaintances and former students of his father.

"Everybody has been really wonderful for the last two and a half months. We're so thankful for the support we've had," John



AVIE TELTSCHIK

Teltschik said.

Memorials may be made to the Kerrville Area Community Trust, Attn: Avie Teltschik Band Scholarship, P.O. Box 1354, Kerrville, Texas 78029.

served as a band director in Port Lavaca, Texas, from 1957-1960; Mercedes, Texas, from 1960-1969; and Kerrville's Tivy High School from 1969 through 1992. As a band director, he led his bands to 29 years of consecutive sweepstakes awards. Twenty-two of those years were as director of the Tivy High School Band. He was president of the Texas Band Masters Association in 1971-1972. He was a member of Zion Lutheran Church in Kerrville, Texas Bandmasters Association, Phi Beta Mu and Texas Music Educators Association.

He is survived by: his wife, Judy Teltschik of Kerrville, Texas; a daughter, Deanna and her husband, Corby Biddle, of Chandler, Ariz.; two sons, Jim and his wife, Tracey Teltschik, of Houston, Texas, and John Teltschik of Plano, Texas; a daughter Laura Teltschik of Austin, Texas; four grandchildren, Karlyn and Brock Biddle, John Everett and James Blake Teltschik; a sister, Minifred and her husband, Ben Aouelle, of San Antonio, Texas; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Pallbearers will be Trey Aouelle, Charles Connally, Fritz Connally, Sr., Fritz Connally, Jr., Kelly Connally and Joe Rogers.

The family will have visitation from 4 to 6 p.m., Sunday, July 13, 1997, at the Chapel of Overby Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to the Kerrville Area Community Trust, P. O. Box 1354, Kerrville, Texas, 78029, attn: Avie Teltschik Band Scholarship.

Overby Funeral Home of Kerrville is in charge of arrangements.

Obituaries are paid for and published as submitted.

AVIE TELTSCHIK

Services Monday

KERRVILLE — Memorial services for Mr. Avie Teltschik, age 62, of Kerrville, who died Thursday morning, July 10, 1997, at his residence, will be held 11 a.m., Monday, July 14, 1997, at the Kerrville Municipal Auditorium with Pastor Douglas McBride and Rev. B. J. Rogers officiating. Burial will be held privately.

Mr. Teltschik was born Feb. 13, 1935, in Floresville, Texas, to Fritz and Millie Teltschik. He grew up in Floresville. He completed his undergraduate work at The University of Texas and his graduate schooling at Vandercook School of Music in Chicago, Ill.

He married Judy Carson, Nov. 29, 1957, in Floresville. He