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Basketball games

Haskell VGB Catclaw Tour. Dec. 12-13 Haskell Open Tues., Dec. 17 *********

Haskell JH Girls vs Electra Mon., 5 p.m. at Electra Haskell JH Boys vs Electra Mon., 5 p.m. at Haskell *********

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Mammography

Haskell Memorial Hospital will sponsor a mammography screening day Dec. 19. The service, through Bethania's Mobile Mammography Van, will be located in the parking lot of the hospital. Pre-registration is a requirement and can be done by contacing Delia at 817-864-2621. Hospital Auxiliary

The Haskell County Hospital Auxiliary will meet Mon., Dec. 16 at 7 p.m. at the First National Bank building meeting room. A meeting and the Christmas party will be held. Members are asked to bring finger foods and their families are welcome.

Study Club

The Progressive Study Club will meet Thurs., Dec. 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the home of president, Kim Meredith for a program of Christmas Memories, Magic and Music. The program will be presented by the Bellringers of the First Baptist Church of Haskell under the direction of Mrs. Ford Cole. Members are reminded to bring a new toy for the Child Welfare Department.

Philadelphian Club

The Rule Philadelphian Club will meet Thurs., Dec. 12 at 5 p.m. Members will journey to Aspermont for a dutch treat meal at Frazier's Restaurant after which there will be an exchange of Christmas ornaments. A tour of special decorations at the home of the J. K. Veazeys and Fred

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WINNING TICKETS-Haskell residents gathered at the gazebo last Saturday to see if they were the lucky winner of gift certificates or Haskell Bucks during the Haskell Chamber of Commerce drawing. The jackpot drawings continue this Saturday with a total of \$3,000 in gift certificates and Haskell Bucks to be given away.

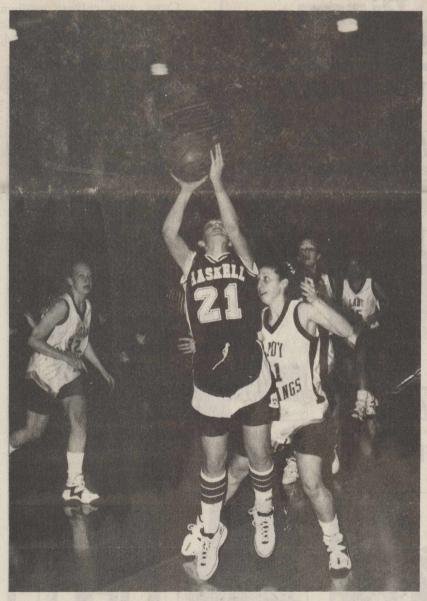
Courthouse to be closed December 24-26

During the regular meeting of the Haskell County Commissioners Court, it was announced that the Courthouse will be closed Dec. 24, 25 and 26 in order for the employees to observe the holiday season with their families.

Commissioner Bill Hester reported that West Central Texas Council of Governments has some money available to hire a 911 coordinator. Deadline for the 911 listing is April 29. A representative from Otis Elevator Co. reported on the status of the Courthouse elevator. The elevator, installed in 1963, will require some renovations to pass a state inspection. Elevators, according to state law effective March 1995, must be inspected on a yearly basis by a state contracted

inspector. Cost of inspection is \$250-\$400. Commissioners agreed to wait until the elevator is inspected and decide at that time upon repairs and renovations. Dan Andress, Otis representative, made proposals to make the elevator safer. The matter was tabled until after Jan. 1 when the inspection will be made.

Other issues included •Work report on the Haskell



Jackpot drawings continue Saturday

The Haskell Chamber of Commerce and local merchants will sponsor a day of Christmas activities Sat., Dec. 14 on the courthouse square in Haskell.

Pictures with Santa will be taken, benefitting the Haskell County Child Welfare Board. Music will be heard all day by the Catholic Church Carolers and others.

Jackpot drawings will be held at 12 noon, 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. at the be awarded during seven drawings. Following the 4 p.m. drawing, winners of the coloring contest and the winner of the Child Welfare Board quilt will be announced.

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certificates and Haskell Bucks will

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At 2 p.m., the Haskell Junior High Band will perform a Christmas concert. Hayrides will be going on from 1 to 2 p.m. and 3 to 4 p.m.

GTE to modernize Rule phone service

GTE has announced plans to modernize the Rule telephone switching center in April, 1997. The new telephone office will

provide faster and highly reliable service in addition to offering some of the latest optional services.

The new switching center is part of an accelerated plan by GTE to provide digital telephone service to all of its Texas customers by the end of 1997, two years ahead of original plans, involving an investment of over \$37 million. Under the accelerated schedule during 1996, the company averaged more than one office replacement each week. During 1997, that average is slightly more than one every two weeks.

GTE already serves 98 percent of its Texas customers with modern digital technology. The newer technology provides added services, such as the basic call waiting, call transfer and call forward, as well as the more advanced services in most cases, such as automatic call return. busy number redial, call block and VIP alert. "Providing the on-ramp to the information superhighway for our customers through office modernization is a high priority at this time under the legislationpassed this year to make Texas a leader in telecommunications infrastructure," said Danny Ferguson, Area General Manager for GTE in Brownfield.

Martins will follow.

Business breakfast

A business opportunity breakfast will be held Dec. 16 at the Towne Crier Steakhouse, 818 E. Highway 80 in Abilene, beginning at 7 a.m. Focus topic "Medical Savings Accounts for Small Businesses" will be presented by Phil Morehead, of Morehead-Welborn, P.C. For further information, contact Ann Hulett at 915-670-0300 or Kathy Hawkins Blackstock at 915-672-8544.

Noah Project

The Noah Project-North Advisory Committee meet at the East Side Baptist Church at noon Fri., Dec. 13 for a pot luck meal. Immunizations

The Texas Dept. of Health will hold an immunization clinic Dec. 19 at the American Legion from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Flu and pneumonia shots will be given. It is recommended that all children born after Nov. 1991 and all eleven years olds receive the Hepatitis B vaccine.

Open House

The faculty and students of Haskell Elementary School will have an Open House on Thurs., Dec. 19 from 5 to 6 p.m. They invite everyone to come and visit the school.

McCaulley musical

TheMcCaulley Recreational Development Cooperation will 10st its monthly musical Fri., Dec. 13 at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Center on the old school grounds. For more information or to be on he program, call 915-962-5441.

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County Park at Lake Stamford,

 Approving the Drug Task Force Resolution,

·Repair of the basement ceiling, •Precinct 4 accepted a bid for a loader from Airmaster for a used John Deere, and

•Some painting is being done at the Courthouse by personnel doing community service.

Judging for lighting contest is tonight

Judging for the annual Chamber of Commerce Christmas lighting and decorations contest will be tonight, Dec. 12, between the hours of 6 and 10 p.m.

To be judge, residents are asked to have their lights turned on during this time.

Santa letter deadline is Friday

Kids, don't forget that deadline for Santa letters to be published in The Haskell Free Press is Friday, December 13 at 5 p.m.

Letters may be dropped off at the newspaper office at 401 South First or can be mailed to Santa Claus, Box 1058, Haskell, TX 79521.

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The Chamber wishes to thank

mention places will be awarded in

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all who decorate to make Haskell so

beautiful during the holiday season.

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Early deadline for Dec. 26 edition

The Haskell Free Press will be printing the Dec. 26th edition early so that employees may enjoy the Christmas holidays with their families. Deadline for the Dec. 26 edition will be Thurs., Dec. 19 at 5 p.m.

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Goodfellows Donations

The Haskell Goodfellows are accepting donations for Christmas boxes to be distributed to needy families this holiday season. On Dec. 7 and 14, the names of those who qualify may be placed by application at the Haskell City Hall, between 1 and 3 p.m. Boxes will be delivered on Dec. 24, to those who have been selected to receive them. Those with donations of food, contact a Lions Club member; toys and clothing may be taken to the Haskell Fire Dept.; and cash donations may be sent to The Haskell Free Press, P. O. Box 1058, Haskell, TX 79521. In memory of Garth Garrett by Don Garrett\$250 In memory of Pauline Derr by Dee and Ruth Larned\$50 Mr. and Mrs. Eldon B. Anderson\$25 American Legion Auxiliary\$50 In memory of our brother Sam Jenkins and Pauline Derr by Melvin and Juanita Miller and family\$25 In memory of Lon and Dovie Pate\$50 ..\$450

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SHOOTS FOR TWO-Betsy Coleman #21 of the Haskell Maidens is shown taking a shot during the Key City Tournament held in Abilene last weekend. Photo by Bill Blankenship

As a part of the regulatory reform, GTE committed to accelerate the company's original five-year plan for digital modernization into four years. That plan was accelerated into a three year plan early last year.

The Texas/New Mexico operations of GTE, headquartered in Irving, serves 1.9 million customer lines in the two states.



ACADEMIC TEAM ADVANCES-For the first time, a team from Haskell High School has advanced to round two of the KTXS Academic Challenge. The team, consisting of from left, Sarah Cothron, Lyle Fouts, Casey Burgess and Wendy Dulaney, presented a check for the Haskell High School Library to go toward the puchase of additional books to Mrs. Betsy McManamon, librarian (center). The team, made up of all seniors, easily defeated Coleman High School in round one in a match that will air at 6 p.m. on Sat., Dec. 21. Team members and their sponsor, Mrs. Christie Stapleton, look forward to the next round which will be in late January or early February. Photo by Bill Blankenship

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Haskell Kiwanis Club celebrates 20th anniversary with banquet

The Haskell Kiwanis Club recently celebrated their 20th anniversary with a banquet.

The local club was established in July, 1976. Clyde Grant and Cleve Pierce of the Abilene Kiwanis Club met with Bailey Toliver of Haskell with plans to start Kiwanis in Haskell.

The meeting time was to be on Tuesdays at 7 a.m. This would allow members of other local clubs an opportunity to join and would also be a convenient time for employees and employers to meet.

The Haskell club has many projects which benefit the young people of our community. Cooking and serving food is usually involved in the fund raisers.

Haskell graduates have received at least two scholarships per year during the last twenty years. Scout troops, Cub Scouts, FFA students and pre-school aged children are among the beneficiaries of Kiwanis funds. Kiwanis International has a slogan "Young People-Priority One." The local club has met the challenge by aiding young people in the community.



Haskell Kiwanis Club is a member of Division 35 which gives to the Meeks Childrens Hospital in Abilene. On Memorial Day, the area Kiwanis give a donation that has grown to \$15,000 in recent years.

In 1995, Kiwanis International started a world-wide project to raise \$75 million over a three year period to eliminate the iodine deficiency disorder throughout the Third World Countries. The I.D.D. is the most prevalent cause of mental retardation and early deaths in these countries. Kiwanis hopes to reach the goal by 1998.

Local Kiwanis also supports the PAL program. In 1993, a buddy program with the elementary school was begun. Each Kiwanian is assigned to a buddy. The buddies share lunch at school once a month and make other visits.

Presidents include: Bailey Toliver 1976-78, Earl Smith 1978-79, Raja Hassen 1979-80, Bobby Simpson 1980-81, Ed Walling 1981-82, Conrad Roewe 1982-83, Dan Hoover 1983-84, Marshall Brown 1984-85, James Davis 1985-86, Abe Turner 1986-87, Bob Baker 1987-88, Sam Bitner 1988-89, Bobby Hobgood 1989-90, Duane Gilly 1990-91, Clayton Fowler 1991-92, David Middleton 1992-93, Marc Robison 1993-94 and Dan Byerly 1995-96.

Attending the banquet from out of town were members of the Clyde and Abilene clubs.

Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 1635 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., Dec. 7, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

The market was fully steady on all classes of feeder and stocker cattle. \$1 to \$2 higher on better kind and more action on young stocker cows and pairs. Packer cows and bulls \$1 lower.

Cows: fat, .26-.32; cutters, .24-.335; canners .18-.26.

Bulls: bologna .34-.425; feeder, .45-.55; utility .25-.35.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .67-.82; 300-400 lbs., .65-.75; 400-500 lbs., .58-.725; 500-600 lbs., .58-.58; 600-700 lbs., .56-.64; 700-800 lbs., .55-.635; 800-up lbs., .52-.62.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .55-.65; 300-400 lbs., .56-.64; 400-500 lbs., .49-60; 500-600 lbs., .48-59; 600up lbs., .45-.595.

Bred Cows: young to middle aged, \$350-\$450; aged or small, \$250-\$350.

Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, \$450-\$575; small or aged, \$250.\$450

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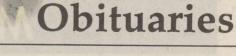
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A. C. Jeter

Services were held for A.C. Galbreath Jeter, 72, Wed., Nov. 27, at Holden-McCauley Funeral Home with the Rev. Jim Turner officiating. Burial followed in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors. Mr. Jeter died Mon., Nov. 25, at a local hospital. Survivors include one sister, Neita Galbreath Baccus of Lake Buchanan.

Memorials may be sent to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center.

daughters, Elizabeth Mapes of Haskell, OK and Billie

Walker of Porter, OK; one brother, John Moses of

Porter, OK and two sisters, Jean Stirlen of Porter, OK

and Mary Hubbs of CA; 15 grandchildren and a number

Dean in 1988; by her parents, Eugene Moses and Addie

(Boyd) Moses; three brothers and one sister.

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grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

Harvey, David and Oscar Terrell.

grandsons, Dustin and Jesse Threet.

Haskell Experienced Citizens Center.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Henry

Interment in Porter Cemetery was directed by Mallett

Survivors include two sons, Johnny Rushing of

She was preceded in death by one step-son, Jerry

Pallbearers for the service were W.O. Nanny, Jerry

The family request memorials be made to East Side

Rawlins, WY and Billy Ray Hudson of VA; 14

Don Threet; three sisters, Lottie Reed, May Pearl Reed

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Iva Dean

Services were held for Iva F. Dean, 89, of Porter, OK Wed., Nov. 27, at the Freewill Baptist Church in Clarksville, OK with the Rev. Henry Stahl officiating.

Mrs. Dean was born Jan. 16, 1907 at Huntsville, AR, and died Mon., Nov. 25 in St. John Medical Center, Tulsa, OK. Mrs. Dean was a long time resident of the Porter area and was a member of the Clarksville Freewill Baptist Church.

Survivors include two sons, Mack Dean of Muskogee, OK and Everett Dean of Porter, OK; two

Maggie Threet

Services were held for Maggie Terrell Rushing Threet, 82, Tues., Dec. 10 at East Side Baptist Church with the Rev. David Page and Ricky Null officiating. Burial followed in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Threet died Sun., Dec. 8, at an Abilene hospital. She was born in Haskell County in 1914, where she was a lifelong resident. She was the widow of Jess Williard Threet. She was a member of the Haskell Experienced Citizens Center, the Intern Coachman's Club and the Women's Missionary Union. She was a member of the East Side Baptist Church where she attended the Ruth Sunday School Class and was active in Vacation Bible School and the Sunshine

Services were held for Lee Ella Phillips, formerly of

Mrs. Phillips died Thurs., Dec. 5, in an Abilene

She was survived by five sons, Jalil Hakim of

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Lee Ella Phillips Phillips, formerly of urch of Christ 17th Milwaukee, WI, Robert Henry and James Thomas, both

of Abilene, Vernon of Los Angeles, CA, and Douglas of Kansas City, KS; four daughters, Bessie Samuels, Vernece Hunter, and Ethel Brown, all of Abilene and Lalhita Ahmad of Milwaukee, WI, and had 51 grandchildren.

Bobcat, Lady Cat basketball results

by Michael Murray The Rule Lady Cats hosted Breckenridge, Dec. 3, and were defeated 34-53. Jennifer Lehrmann led scoring with 11 points followed by Amy Hisey with eight.

Lady Cats played in the Aspermont Tournament Dec. 5-7, and took home third place.

In their first game, they beat Munday 45-37. Lehrmann and Leslie Jenkins led scoring with 14





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The Lady Cats lost 36-58 to Hamlin. Hisey scored 17 points, had eight rebounds and 16 steals. Wilson made eight points, six steals and 15 assists. Coach Jill Brown felt the Lady Cats played good man-to-man defense, but accredited the loss to being outrebounded 9-27 in the second half.

Lady Cats final tournament game was against Jayton, which they won 61-29. Hisey and Lehrmann led scoring with 15 and nine points, respectively. Lehrmann had nine rebounds and five assists. Wilson had seven rebounds and nine steals.

The Rule Bobcats won consolation in the Goree tournament Dec. 5-7. Jeremy Hertel won all-tournament honors.

The Bobcats lost their first game 54-63 to rival, Rochester. Marcus McIntosh led offense with 13 points, followed closely by Brian Lehrmann with 11, Kalith Trussell with 10, Michael Hertel with nine and Jeremy Hertel with eight.

The Bobcats won 57-50 against Munday JV. Jeremy Hertel had 22 points in this game, followed by Michael Hertel with eight and Matthew Ramirez with six.

Rule defeated Throckmorton JV 56-51 in the final tournament game. McIntosh and Jeremy Hertel each made 15 points, while Lehrmann made 10 and Michael Hertel 8.

Around Town

J.L. and Martha Toliver enjoyed Thanksgiving day in Wichita Falls visiting in the home of Raymond and Frankie Seidel. The Seidel's are the parents of Doug Seidel, who is J.L. and Martha's son-in-law. Doug, Trisha and Kane Cannedy were also guests and everyone enjoyed the dinner and the Cowboy football game. Kane came home with the Tolivers and stayed through Sunday for J.L. and Martha's anniversary.

LIFESTYLES



family, Kenneth and Elaine Campbell, Karen, Kendall and Allison Mitchell, all of Haskell, hosted the annual get-together for the children and grandchildren of the late Jack and Sallie Sanders of Weinert. The gathering, held each year between Thanksgiving and Christmas, was held the first weekend in December at the First National Bank conference room in Haskell.

Three of the children, Eva Hardman of Irving, Scarlett Cole and her family of San Antonio and Rocky Sanders and his family of Abilene, were not able to make the reunion this year.

Those present for the gathering over the weekend were: Travis and Wilma Sanders and family members, Travis Glenn and Leigh, Darrell, Sunday and Texas Marie all of Coleman; Andy and Marlene Sanders and grandchildren, Crystal, A.J. and Megan of Cross Plains;

Lona Mae Phelps and her and B.D. and Marie Kirkland of Dangerfield.

> Darwin and Ethel Slade of Eagar, AZ; Butch and Sue Cox of Naples and family; Brenda Sartain of Simms; Deborah and Zane MacKay of Naples; Bill and Martha Maupin and daughter, Loretta of Odessa; and Jacky, Sandra, Rex and Jaclyn Sanders of Aledo.

We had a good time visiting, taking pictures, playing games and reminiscing about Christmas and get-togethers past.

Callie Mae Kuenstler to celebrate birthday

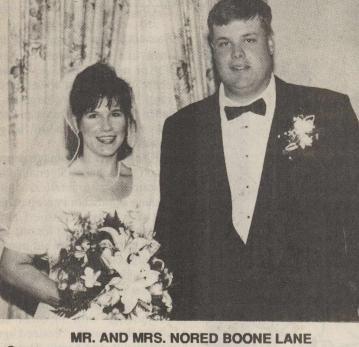
The children and grandchildren of Callie Mae Kuenstler are hosting a 90th birthday reception in her honor Sun., Dec. 22, from 2:00-4:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of Paint Creek Baptist Church. All friends and family are invited to come help celebrate this occasion.

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Afternoon ceremony unites Lane, Blakely

Shauna Christine Blakely of Stephenville and Nored Boone Lane of Mission, formerly of Haskell exchanged wedding vows Sat., Nov. 16, at 2:00 p.m. in the gazebo at the Oxford House in Stephenville. Bart McDougle officiated the double ring ceremony.

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The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Randall H. Cassidy of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Blakely of Walnut Springs. Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Boucher of Stephenville and Mrs. Neva Blakely of Richardson.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. B.K. Lane of Haskell, and the grandson of Mrs. Durene Boone of Haskell and Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Lane of Turkey.

The bride presented and given in marriage by her fathers, chose an ivory silk shantung sheath gown designed by Custom Couturiers by Laura in McAllen. A deep border of pearls and beads encircled the scoop neckline, empire waist, and sleeves. Her headpiece was made from silk shantung rosettes accented with pearls, and it held a fingertip length veil edged with ivory silk. She carried a cascading bouquet of white lilies, roses and stephanotis.

Cara Tomlinson of Katy was maid of honor. Crystal Kieschnick of Vernon served as bridesmaid and sister of the bride, Layne Cassidy of Dallas was junior bridesmaid. Shay Dickerson of Dallas was flower girl.

Chad Gibson of Haskell was best man. The groomsmen were Philip Manske of Sagerton and Jamie Barton of Stephenville. Ushers were Bart Smith of Stephenville and Ben Jones of Graham.

A reception was held following the ceremony at the Oxford House. The bride's cake with a cascading bouquet of stargazier lilies, stephanotis and English ivy was designed by the bride.

On the eve of the wedding, a rehearsal dinner was hosted by the parents of the groom at the Oxford House.

The bride is a 1990 graduate of Dallas Christian High School and a 1995 graduate of Tarleton State University. She is employed with Edward Jones Investments in Mission.

The groom is a 1991 graduate of Haskell High School and is employed by US Ag Insurance Services. The couple resides in Missio

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Clubs

Homespun FCE Club

The Homespun FCE Club met Nov. 14, at the Extension kitchen with seven members present.

Discussed was the District FCE training meeting in Wichita Falls. The concession stand for the Jr. Livestock show, painting the kitchen at the Extension office and our Christmas party.

The program for the meeting was given by Joetta Burnett on "Patterns for a Successful Club".

Lennie Ruth Blankenship was hostess for the meeting. Members attending were: Joetta Burnett, Peggy Burnett, Lennie R. Blankenship, Jane Smith, Dolores Medford, Lena Tidwell and Ophelia Newsom.

Weinert FCE Club

The Weinert FCE club met Dec. 3 in the Haskell County Extension Kitchen for their annual Christmas Party. Hostesses Alice Yates, Kathryn Schonerstedt and Estalynn Liles had the meeting room festively decorated with burgundy and white table cloths, decorative table runners and lovely Christmas centerpieces.

Myrtle Phemister gave a spiritual reading. Betty Sanders gave the luncheon prayer. The members and guests enjoyed a delicious catered meal.

Dr. Lola Williams, of Africa, brought an excellent program. Mrs. Williams stressed the American ladies are very fortunate compared to the life of the African women. A large portion of her speech dealt with comparing the two life styles and living conditions. Afterwards, the club members participated in a question session. The speaker was introduced by her mother, Myrtle Phemister. Dr. Williams received her PhD in Bilingual Education.

The members made a generous donation to the Noah project.

Special guests attending were Dr. Lola Williams and Lou Gilly, Haskell County Extension agent. Members attending were Cordie Cunningham, Jonita Felty, Erma Liles, Estalynn Liles, Myrtle Phemister, Henrietta Rueffer, Betty Sanders, Kathryn Schonerstedt and Alice Yates. The next meeting is Jan. 2 with hostess, Alice Yates.



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OPINION

State 🖷 Capital

Gov. George W. Bush's call for property tax relief could negatively affect funding fo public education in Texas, Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock and House Speaker Pete Laney said last week.

Bullock compared the present funding system, in which propertyrich school districts send money to property-poor districts, to a house of cards.

"You remove one card and the whole house may fall down," he said.

"Property taxes and (the schoolfunding formula) are joined at the brain. Any changes in one will unquestionably change the formula itself," Bullock told incoming legislators at an orientation meeting.

Laney agreed with Bullock and said he is waiting for Bush to release a plan that can be studied and assessed.

The governor has made cutting the \$10 billion homeowners and businesses pay in school property taxes a priority for the 1997 legislative session, which will convene Jan. 14.

> Sharp Calls for Cuts, Savings

State Comptroller John Sharp last week delivered his fourth Texas Performance Review report, calling for more than \$3.5 billion in taxpayer savings over the next five years.

"Once again," Sharp said, "We've scoured state government for outdated programs and new ways to save Texans money."

The report, title "Disturbing the Peace: The Challenge of Change in Texas Government," presents 428 detailed proposals for saving taxpayers more than \$1.2 billion during the 1998-99 biennium and more than \$3.5 billion by the end of 2002.

to open a new private school that could benefit from the plan.

HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling

TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

The Austin American-Statesman reported Walker is proposing the Parents as Partners Scholarship Program, a tuition reimbursement plan for the district of 2,900 students.

At the same time, he and his pastor at the Lakeway Ecumenical Church are working to build support for the construction of a Roman Catholic school adjacent to a 20-acre site where a new Catholic church is to be built next year in this community a few minutes West of Austin.

Supporters say vouchers would give parents more control over their children's education, but critics say a voucher system would take tax dollars away from public schools.

Annette Cootes, a spokeswoman for the Texas State Teachers Association, told the American-Statesman, "There will definitely be a lawsuit filed if (Texas Education Commissioner Mike Moses) allows it to proceed."

Other Capital Highlights •Texas Banking Commissioner Catherine Ghiglieri said 24 state banks in Texas will be examined less frequently beginning in 1997. She said the resulting reduction in regulatory costs will be passed along to the affected banks through a decrease in their assessments for examinations. The reduction in examinations for the 24 banks will be from once every 12 months to every 18 months for well-run banks with assets of \$100 million to \$500 million.

•Texas Land Commissioner Garry Mauro has suggested that Gov. Bush call out the National Guard or get prison inmates to help fight beach erosion in Southeast Texas. Unusually high tides have eaten away more than 50 feet of beach on the Gulf of Mexico in

Galveston and Brazoria counties,

Mauro wrote in a letter to the

governor. Bush spokesman Ray

Sullivan said the governor's office

this week at the south end of the

Capitol's Great Walk, where a

permanent underground tree stand

and tree anchors were designed into

the sidewalk. The 30-foot Eastern

Red Cedar came from land adjacent

to Bastrop State Park, southeast of

said the Lone Star Card, which

debuted about a year ago, is

working well. More than a million

Texas welfare recipients use the

plastic cards, which resemble credit

•A state audit released last week

•A Christmas tree is to go up

is reviewing Mauro's plan.

Austin.



From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

20 Years Ago Dec. 9, 1976

District 7-A coaches made the all-district team selections. Chosen on the first team offense from Haskell are Johnny Larned, guard, Mike New, tackle and Gary McAdams, quarterback. On the defensive first team from Haskell are Mike New and Jesse Billington, down lineman and Kelvin Marshall, running back.

Winners for the first Christmas drawing of the year were Charlene Dumas and Jane Boon, \$100.00 each; and Dwanna Klose, Mrs. Ken Wolsch, Elton Culberth, Mrs. Tim Smith, Retha Hammon and Hubert Hunt, \$50.00 each.

30 Years Ago Dec. 8, 1966

Enrolled at Tarleton State Bill, Jr., 7-year-old-son of Mr. Attica, Kansas, where he is feeding College for the fall semester are: and Mrs. Wm. P. Ratliff, was just a lot of beeves and will remain John Ballard, sophomore, majoring about the happiest youngster in during the winter. Haskell last Saturday. His name Tom Tucker, a former citizen of in agriculture education; Jerry Barbee, freshman, majoring in was drawn as winner of the Haskell, arrived Thursday from sparkling new bicycle awarded by wildlife; Sheila Bevel, sophomore, Arizona where he has been for a Haskell merchants in the current majoring in physical education; year or so. We learn he plans to go Connie Bryant, freshman, majoring Christmas program. One of the to Pecos to make his future home. **Better Business Bureau** criticizes Priority Mail for their packages; Priority Mail never inform consumers that the Saying the Postal Service is increasing its volume by service is not guaranteed. does not. misleading the American public, The bureau president ended his "The result is often that a the Better Business Bureau (BBB) is letter wondering who the consumer might spend up to 10 the latest critic of the agency's Postmaster General thinks he is times the amount of ordinary firstsupposed to be serving: multi-million dollar advertising class mail to send a letter, perhaps "We at the Better Business campaign. even a single page, by Priority The BBB action follows that of Bureau question Mr. Runyon's Mail in the expectation that it will the nation's largest coalition of reach its destination faster," willingness to continue to increase everyday consumers of the Postal Mitchell wrote. Postal Service 'volumes' by continuing to mislead the American Service and a lawsuit filed by a "The person doesn't realize that private competitor. public. We'd like to know, Mr. it may or may not get there faster, The Coalition to Make Our Postmaster General, what's your or that it may or may not get there First Class Mail FIRST CLASS priority?" at all. And if it doesn't, the has long complained that the The Coalition to Make Our consumer is out what he paid for agency's \$200 million advertising First Class Mail FIRST CLASS this 'priority' service." has more than 210 member campaign was an especially Charges against the ads may get egregious example of the Postal their day in court as Federal organizations representing more Service not focusing its resources Express filed a lawsuit charging the than five million Americans. They include the Association of Retired on what it should be doing: getting Postal Service ads are false because the mail where it is supposed to be Americans, American Small they imply the service is comparable to the two-day service Business Ass'n, American Farm on time. In a letter to the Wall Street Bureau Federation, National offered by private carriers. Journal, William G. Mitchell, Minority Business Council, Private carriers offer a moneypresident of the Better Business National Federation of the Blind back guarantee for two-day delivery: Bureau, blasted the ads promoting Priority Mail does not. Private and National Ass'n of Realtors Priority Mail. He charged they Aging in America. carriers provide tracking and tracing

in home economics; Joe Cloud, sophomore, majoring in wildlife; Richard Frierson, sophomore, majoring in physical education; Theresa Galvan, freshman, majoring in Spanish; Clarence Josselet, freshman, majoring in business administration and Freddy Kreger, sophomore, majoring in physical education.

40 Years Ago Dec. 13, 1956

Mrs. Kirby Kirkpatrick, Haskell beautician, is also an expert marksman with a .410 shotgun. She bagged a 20 pound bobcat while hunting with some friends on the Kirkpatrick farm east of Haskell. Spotting the bobcat about 50 yards away, Mrs. Kirkpatrick downed the animal with one shot from a .410 gauge shotgun.

major gifts to be awarded in the Christmas program is a beautiful Shetland Pony.

50 Years Ago Dec. 12, 1946

2.43 inches of rain were received over a three day period during the first part of this week. This rainfall added to previous fall rains will provide one of the best winter seasons in years.

A surprise birthday dinner was given in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G.W. Roberts on Dec. 1, honoring Mrs. G.A. Roberts, Sr., on her 62nd birthday

100 Years Ago Dec. 12, 1896

Haskell County got three new families this week and wants 1000 more.

Mrs. R.M. Dickenson will leave Monday to join her husband at

Legal Matters by Dan Morales, Attorney General

It's often necessary to get financing when buying a big-ticket item like a computer, big-screen TV or major appliance. Common sense tells us that lower interest rates mean better bargains. So when a retailer advertises an interest rate of zero, that should be good news for you, right?

The answer turns out to depend a lot on the honesty of certain ads. In practice, some retailers end up making significant interest earnings on what they advertised as "no payments, no interest for one year." Some consumers pay out hundreds of dollars of interest payments on these supposedly no-interest deals.

That is why the Texas Office of the Attorney General, in conjunction with 11 other states across the country, obtained agreed settlements-and nearly \$1 millionwith several major national retail chains.

Fair and clear rules

This shopping season, the retailers involved in the settlement have agreed to make the terms of their formerly cloudy advertising crystal clear. The companies agreed to prominently disclose the real facts in their advertising. Too many were burying the financing provisions in the fine print of their sales or credit agreements.

Nearly all "zero percent" financing rules have some things in common. In order to avoid paying interest on financed purchases, you must make the final payment within a specified time period (usually six to 12 months). If you don't pay off the loan in full by the end of the time period-even if you owe only a few dollars-interest will be charged, starting with the full amount borrowed at the beginning of the time period. You will be charged a regular interest rate as high as 22 percent or more. Check it out

We began our investigation early in 1995 when we heard complaints from many of you. As we reviewed the advertisements of various national chain retailers, it became clear that the language of some was misleading at best. Reasonable Texans reading the ads could easily think that no interest would be due or accrue when a retailer advertised, "NO PAYMENTS, NO INTEREST FOR ONE YEAR." It just wasn't SO.

Sharp proposed cutting 6,600 fully funded but unfilled state jobs, saving more than \$470 million during the next biennium.

He proposed cutting 1,720 current state jobs over the next two-year period through an early retirement incentive plan and other measures.

And among other proposals, he called for:

•Abolishing the Texas Department of Commerce and shifting the agency's duties to a new non-profit public/private entity; and

•Issuing Texans lifetime driver's licenses, with free-of-charge updates required every 12 years.

About three-quarters of the savings recommended in Sharp's previous performance reviews have been adopted by the Texas Legislature.

Private Schools, Public Funds

Lake Travis Independent School District board member Fred Walker, who sponsored a proposal to use taxpayer dollars to pay for private school tuition, is busy with plans

cards, to receive welfare benefits electronically. •Regulators at the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission are considering a crackdown on industrial polluters that have operated under a "grandfather" clause in the 1971 Texas clean air law. A report is expected in about a week.

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The Social Security Administration can withhold money from a person's monthly benefit check to pay for child support or alimony if ordered to do so by the court.

By law, Social Security benefits are subject to a procedure known as "garnishment". This means that when legal action is taken to force a person who receives Social Security benefits to make child support or alimony payments, the state court can order that benefits be "garnished", or reduced by the amount of child support/alimony due. (Note that Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments from the federal government are not subject to garnishment.)

When the court determines that an individual's benefits should be

benefits subject to garnishment

2) up to 50 percent of the benefits if the person is supporting a wife or child other than the person named in the garnishment order, or 60 percent if the person has no other spouse or child to support. (These amounts can be raised to 55 percent and 65 percent if the person is more than 12 weeks behind in payments).

A person who receives Social Security and has his/her benefit garnished may not qualify for SSI, a program for low income aged, blind and disabled people, by virtue of the reduced amount of his/her Social Security check.

For more information, you may contact Social Security by calling the toll-free number 1-800-772-1213, business days from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Future measures

We will continue to review the advertising practices of the other retailers of large consumer products, and will respond with appropriate action if necessary. It is important that all participants in this industry be allowed to compete under the same rules.

What can you do to protect yourself? Well, you can clip out this article and take it with you the next time you go shopping for a big-ticket electronic item or appliance. Be sure to follow some of the following steps:

•Shop around to make sure you're getting the best possible price.

•Ask when full payment is due and whether or not you must make payments during the "interest-free" period.

•Ask what penalty is imposed if you don't make full payments by the specified time period. Be sure to find out the applicable interest rate, too.

•Ask if there are any other conditions or restrictions. For example, some retailers require minimum purchase amounts. And some zero-interest financing promotions are restricted to certain manufacturers and items, such as only televisions, VCR's or camcorders.

•Read credit applications carefully. Many include information on complete financing arrangements.

•Finally, be realistic about your financing future. If your income won't allow significant extra payments, even zero-interest financing can be a burden. You may wish to reconsider your purchase plans.

For more information

We're here to help. If you want more information or wish to lodge a complaint against a retailer that is not following these guidelines, please contact your nearest branch of the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division or call us at our Austin office at 800-621-0508. If you have access to the Internet, our address is http://www.oag.state.tx.us.

garnished, it sends the Social Security Administration a "garnishment order". The agency then withholds part of the person's Social Security benefits and gives

the money to the court to make the child support or alimony payments. Social Security sends a letter to the person whose benefits are to be garnished notifying him/her of the amount to be garnished and when

the garnishment will start. The person's entire monthly check cannot be withheld to satisfy the garnishment order. The amount that can be deducted from a person's check is the lesser of the following

two amounts: 1) the maximum amount allowed under State law (this, of course, varies from state to state), OF

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Your Christmas A. 1. Clip out the ads, fill in your name, 2. Deposit each ad in the box at the Each store will award one FREE Drawing will be held December 5. Anyone over 16 years of age is business listed on the ad. (All TURKEY - you need not be 23, 1996, at noon. eligible to enter (except address and telephone number. entries deposited in the wrong present to win, no purchase is employees at participating box will be disqualified.) necessary. stores and this newspaper.) \$3,000° in Gift Certificates

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21 Jackpots totaling \$3000 in Gift **Certificates and Haskell Bucks**

At the Northeast Corner of the square at the Gazebo IF NOT PRESENT, WINNER WILL RECEIVE ONE HALF OF THE PRIZE MONEY. THE REMAINING HALF TO BE USED TO MAKE UP ADDITIONAL PRIZES.

TICKETS REDEEMABLE AT THE FOLLOWING MERCHANTS Bar C Bar B-Q **Heads or Tails Western Wear** Bassings Heidenheimer's Dept. Store **Bill Wilson Motor Co.** kay's Cleaners and Laundry Lane-Felker, Inc. **M** System Super Market **McGee's Lumber Yard** Modern Way Food Store **Richardson's Truck & Tractor/True Value** Sherman's Interior & Antiques Smitty's Auto Supply Sonic Drive-In Sport About of Haskell Sue's Flowers, Gifts & Photography The Cake Garden **The Drug Store Haskell Butane** The Personality-Slipper Shoppe **Haskell Free Press** The Sweet Shop Haskell Tire & Appliance Center **Video Mania Haskell Veterinary Clinic** Walk-A-About Boots Hassen's **West Texas Utilities**

Paint Creek School Menu

Dec. 16-20 Breakfast Milk and juice are served daily. Monday: Toast with jelly **Tuesday:** Cereal Wednesday: Breakfast burritos Thursday: Muffins Friday: Donuts

Lunch Milk is served daily. Monday: Stew, cheese-toast, salad, chocolate cake Tuesday: Turkey dressing, gravy, cranberry sauce, stuffed celery, sweet potatoes, bread, fruit salad Wednesday: Frito pie with cheese, salad, tator tots, peach cobbler Thursday: Tuna, ham, pimento

cheese sandwiches, lettuce, pickles, pork-n-beans, chips, cookies Friday: Bologna, chicken salad sandwiches, pickles, lettuce, porkn-beans, chips, ice cream



RETIRES-Gene Parker, left, and Ted Jennings were honored with a retirement party recently. These GTE employees have 68 years combined service. Photo by Bill Blankenship

GTE retirement party honors Parker, Jennings

A retirement party for GTE employees, Gene Parker and Ted Jennings was held Oct. 16 in the Haskell National Bank Community Room.

Guests were registered by Lennie Blankenship. Nearly one hundred friends, family members and fellow employees attended from Seymour, Munday, Olney, Baird, Clyde and Junction. The room was decorated in a Thanksgiving and Christmas theme and the party was hosted by the Haskell employees, former employees and their wives.

Stan McCormick of Baird, supervisor of the men, wished them well in their retirement. Fellow employees told what they would remember the most about working with Ted and Gene. The retirees were presented a money envelope from their fellow employees.

Gene Parker has been employed by General Telephone for thirty-six years. He started working on the line crew in Seymour Feb. 1, 1960. He has worked in Seymour; Fredrick, OK; Guymon, OK; and

Rochester FFA to sponsor pig jackpot December 21

The Rochester FFA pig jackpot is scheduled Dec. 21 at the Rochester FFA Show Barn in Rochester. The jackpot is sponsored by the Rochester FFA Chapter.

will be charged a \$5 late fee. Entry fee is \$20 per head. Mail entries to Rochester FFA, P. O. Box 190, Rochester, TX 79554.

Only the first 225 paid entries

Brownwood and has spent twentyfive years in Haskell. He said that the advances in technology during his thirty-six year career have been amazing. Gene has no big plans for the immediate future but plans to stay busy. Gene did mention that so far he has not gotten around early enough to be the first one for coffee at break time.

Gene has two sons, David of Riley, N.C. and Phillip of Lewisville and four grandchildren.

Ted Jennings telephone career spans thirty-two years. He started on the line crew in Seymour, June 29, 1964. Ted has worked in Shattuck, OK; Booker and Aspermont and has been in Haskell twenty-five years. He has seen phone service go from the crank type to the digital service of today.

Ted will work his last day Dec. 6 and plans to spend a little time babysitting his granddaughter and a little time deer hunting. Ted has two children, Todd of Junction and Jill Hall of Dallas.



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Weigh in will be Fri., Dec. 20 at 5 p.m. and Sat., Dec. 21 from 6 p.m. to 8 a.m. Showmanship will be judged before the Saturday show between 10 and 10:30 a.m. and will cost \$5. The prospect show will begin as soon as the classes are selected.

Deadline for entries is Dec. 12. Entries postmarked after this date

will be accepted. No boars will be allowed. The contest is open to Texas residents only. Classes will include Duroc, Hampshire, White OPB, Black OPB and Cross.

Divisions will be Pee Wee-12 years and under and Senior-13 years to Senior in High School.

The Rochester FFA Chapter will have a concession stand available.



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MR. AND MRS. J. L. TOLIVER J. L. Tolivers celebrate golden anniversary

J. L. and Martha Toliver were honored with a 50th anniversary celebration Nov. 30. The celebration was hosted by their children Karen and Jim Pope, Jodi Pope, Ethan Brown of Haskell and Caleb Brown of Abilene and Trish and Doug Siedel and Kane Cannedy of Wichita Falls.

Saturday was spent at the home

Hospital

Admissions Estelle Giddens, Knox City Julia Ruiz, Haskell Willie Smith, Munday **Evelyn Elliott**, Munday Weldon Skiles, Knox City Ruddy Latham, Munday Erline Hooker, Knox City

Dismissals Sylvia Roberts, Helen Moeller, Jasmine Sanchez, Juan Garcia, Anna Wilkinson, Perry Smith, Jessie Cutright, Mary Place

of Karen and Jim Pope. Saturday evening the group watched

granddaughter, Jodi play basketball. Sunday was spent in the Toliver home reminiscing and visiting. They had family pictures made and enjoyed dinner with the Tolivers.

Dec. 16-20



MR. AND MRS. DELMA WILLIAMS

Delma Williams'celebrate

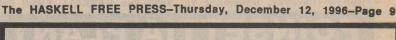
of Haskell County celebrated their 67th wedding anniversary Dec. 5. They were married at the Haskell

Baptist Church parsonage in 1929

and have lived in Haskell County for 66 years. Mr. Williams, who celebrated his 90th birthday Oct. 12, has been a farmer all his life. The couple has three children:

Jack Williams of Dallas; Cleo Casey of Houston and Sammie Clay of Richardson and three grandsons: Michael Casey of Richmond, VA, Barry Casey of Dalton, AL and Ben Williams of Austin. They have one great granddaughter, Christene Casey of Carrollton.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams are members of the First Baptist Church in Haskell and were formerly members of the Pinkerton Baptist Church.







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(Located 2 doors west of Smith Drug)

For more information call Kim at 817-422-5531

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Haskell School Menu

Breakfast Juice or fruit and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu. Monday: Cereal, cinnamon toast Tuesday: Breakfast burrito

> Thursday: Biscuits/gravy and sausage Friday: Cereal, buttered toast with jelly

Lunch

A choice of baked potato with choice of topping or salad bar plus milk and tea are offered daily at the High School. Milk and juice are School.

fries, pickle spears, fruit cobbler Tuesday: Pizza, cole slaw, buttered corn on cob, cherry dessert Wednesday: Frito bag, pinto beans, buttered corn, cookies, diced

Thursday: Turkey and dressing with gravy, candied yams, seasoned green beans, buttered hot rolls, fruit salad

Friday: Submarine sandwich, potato chips, vegetable sticks,

served daily at the Elementary Monday: Sloppy joes, french

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DECORATIONS.

Ministerial Alliance asks for benevolence fund contributions

The Haskell Ministerial Alliance held their annual Christmas party at the home of Jim and Sammie Turner Dec. 5.

In a report of the benevolence fund at the Thanksgiving service, it was noted that the offering fell about \$400 short of the usual amount, due to the bad weather and small crowd in attendance.

The Ministerial Alliance would appreciate any contribution citizens

would like to make. Contributions can be make to Dickie Greenwood, Haskell National Bank or by mailing your contribution to Ministerial Alliance, %Haskell National Bank, P. O. Box 441. Haskell.

The pastors also set the date of the Round Robin Revival for Feb. 23-27. More information about the revival will be made at a later date.

This Week's Devotional Message:

GOD'S LOVE FROSTED THE SPARKLING BEAUTY OF WINTER



The frost descending in the night, Dispelling autumn's glowing sight, Has left the trees with branches bare, And chilling winds will fill the air. Then one day soon, without a sound, The snow will spiral to the ground, In tiny flakes like lace so fine, With each one different in design.

The evergreens will be aglow When weighted down with clumps of snow, And colder weather from the storm Will freeze the lakes, so ice will form. Your House of Worship has extolled God's love that shows, despite the cold, His promise of a new rebirth From winter's whiteness on the earth.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY **Hopewell Baptist Church**

John Lewis, pastor

908 N. Ave. A, Haskel

Greater Independent Baptist Church

Rev. Camellia Wade, pastor

301 N. 3rd St., Haskel

New Covenant Foursquare

East Side Baptist Church Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. David Page, pastor Sun. Mom. 9:45 a.m., 10:55 a.m. 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 600 N. 1st East, Haskell **Christian Church** Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p. Frank Summers, preacher Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 107 N. Ave. F, Haskell Church of God Eric Clark, pastor • 864-2021 Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7:00 p.m. East Hwy 380, Haskell **Trinity Lutheran Church** Gary Bruns, pastor Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30 Hwy 380 East, Haskell Iglesia Bautista El Calvario Vergil Smith, interim pastor Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 607 S. 7th, Haskell **First United Methodist Church** Sidney Parsley, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:50 a.m. 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m. 201 N. Ave. F, Haskell **First Assembly of God** Rev. J.C. Amburn Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 1500 N. Ave. E, Haskell St. George Catholic Church **Father Michael Melcher** Sat. Mass 7:15 p.m.; Sun. Morn. 9:00 a.m. 901 N. 16th, Haskell **Church of Christ** Dale Huff, minister Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 10:30 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.

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Freddy Perez, pastor Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Tues. 7 p.m. 200 S. Ave. F, Haskell **Mission Revival Center Rev. William Hodge** Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m. 1600 N. Ave. B, Haskell **First Baptist Church** Jim Turner, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 301 N. Ave. E, Haskell -PAINT CREEK-Paint Creek Baptist Church Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m. **Paint Creek** -WEINERT-**First Baptist Church** Werth Mayes, pastor Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m. Weinert Weinert Methodist Church **Rev. James Patterson** Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m. Weinert Weinert Foursquare Church Rev. Joyce Goossen and Rev. Diane Crownover Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

Faith Chapel of Rochester Katherine Byrd, minister Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m. Hwy 6, Rochester **First United Methodist Church** Dolan Brinson, pastor Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. Rochester -SAGERTON-Sagerton Methodist Church Daniel Ramey, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m. Sagerton Faith Lutheran Church Jeff Zell, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m Sagerton -RULE-**First Baptist Church** Don Myers, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 1001 Union Ave., Rule **Primitive Baptist Church** Dale Turner Jr., pastor First & Third Sundays 10 a.m Corner of 8th & Robins, Rule **Church of Christ** John Greeson, minister Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 811 Union, Rule **First United Methodist Church** Daniel Ramey, pastor Sun. Morn. 10:50 a.m., 6 p.m 1000 Union Ave., Rule New Life Baptist Mission Jesus Herrera



SHOOTS BUCK–Jason Hilliard, son of Ronald and Edith Hilliard and grandson of Bernice Hilliard of Haskell, shot this 10 point buck on Nov. 27 in Haskell County. Hilliard is a student at Texas Tech University and plans to graduate Dec. 14 with a degree in petroleum engineering. He will work for Mobil in Midland.

Food for thought

by Charles H. Spurgeon "Avoid foolish questions." Titus 3:9

Our days are few, and are far better spent in doing good, than in disputing over matters which are, at

Scripture is silent; upon mysteries which belong to God alone; upon prophecies of doubtful interpretation; and upon mere modes of observing human service so much more profitable. ceremonials, are all foolish, and wise men avoid them. Our business is neither to ask nor answer foolish questions, but to avoid them foolish questions." altogether; and if we observe the **ATTENTION SENIORS** Have your Medicare Supplement premiums skyrocketed? Call me for a quote. Ron Walker, 1-800-549-9586 Bringing You the Best for Holiday Giving WRANGLER JEANS Great Gift Ideas to put under your tree \$1295 T-Shirts Adult \$995 T-Shirts Kids \$2995 Christmas Vest..... All Ladies Handbags \$1000 off LAW Western Store

apostle's precept (Titus 3:8) to be careful to maintain good works, we shall find ourselves far too much occupied with profitable business to take much interest in unworthy, contentious and needless strivings.

There are, however, some best, of minor importance. The old schoolmen did a world questions which are the reverse of of mischief by their incessant foolish, which we must not avoid, but fairly and honestly meet, such discussion of subjects of no practical importance; and our as these: Do I believe in the Lord Churches suffer much from petty Jesus Christ? Am I renewed in the wars over abstruse points and spirit of my mind? Am I walking unimportant questions. After not after the flesh, but after the everything has been said that can be Spirit? Am I growing in grace? said, neither party is any the wiser, Does my conversation adorn the and therefore the discussion no doctrine of God my Saviour? Am I. more promotes knowledge than looking for the coming of the Lord. love, and it is foolish to sow in so and watching as a servant should do barren a field. who expects his master? What Questions upon points wherein more can I do for Jesus? Such inquiries as these urgently demand our attention; and if we have been at all given to cavilling, let us now turn our critical abilities to a Let us be peace-makers, and endeavor to lead others both by our precept and example, to "avoid submitted by Sam Bitner

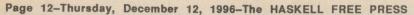
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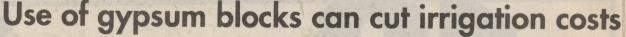




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The publication is the largest high school recognition publication in the country. Students are nominated by high school principals and guidance counselors, national youth groups, churches and educational organizations based upon students' academic achievement and involvement in extracurricular activities.

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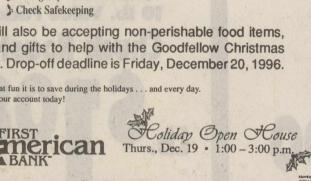
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Haskell students include: Stephanie Alsabrook, Kristy Arellano, Corey Breckel, Jason Briles, Casey Burgess, Andrea Callaway, J. J. Comedy, Amanda Cothron, Jim Crawford, Kelli Cunningham, Marci Elmore, Jeremy Futch, Rosalinda Gonzales, Cory Green, Misti Henson, Charissa Huff, Philip Huff.

Shannon Jordan, John Lopez, Josh McWhorter, Kelli Moeller, Bobby Ortiz, Gavino Ortiz, Johanna Payne, Breann Peiser, Dacia Phemister, Anna Rieger, Justin Stewart and Sherita Tidrow.

Paint Creek students include Marcus Overton and Leigh A. Reel.

Rule students include: Kayla Allison, Justin Custer, Lezli Jenkins, Kristina Lane, Lindsay Pike, Cory Robinson, Eric Robinson, Lisa Shawver, Stephanie Stegemoeller, Denise Wilson and Jaclyn Wilson.





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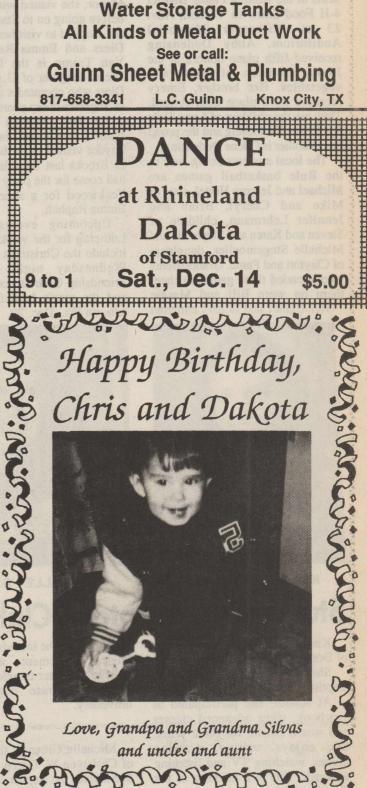
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The family of Emma Raphelt expresses its sincere thanks to all of you for the many cards, calls and visits that made her birthday so special. We appreciate your love and concern for our mother. Dorothy and Joe Clark Mae and Leon Stegemoeller Ruby and George Olson Melvin and Annella Baitz Leslie and Kay Baitz

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Sagerton News

Carols are being played and sung, Christmas "lists" are being compiled and the days count down to Dec. 25 when we celebrate the birth of our Saviour. Though we get very "busy" at this time of the year, the significance of the day is very meaningful.

Congratulations to two of our 4-H youth who exhibited their nutritional knowledge and cooking skills at the Rolling Plains District 4-H Food Show in Vernon, Nov. 23 at Wilbarger Memorial Auditorium. Abby Dudensing received fifth place honors in the Junior Division of fruits and vegetables. Her brother, Emery received third place Beef Award. They are the children of Lynn Dale and Renee Dudensing and the proud grandmother is Odene Dudensing.

The local students doing well in the Rule basketball games are Michael and Jeremy Hertel, sons of Mike and Cheryl, Brian and Jennifer Lehrmann, children of Steven and Karen and Stephanie and Michelle Stegemoeller, daughters of Clayton and Paula. Grandparents who attended these games to cheer them on were Bill and Margie ertel, Clancy and Helen Lehrmann



KIMBERLY SKILES MICHELLE GREEN Students visit Rotary Club Kimberly Skiles is the daughter

of Donny Skiles and Debi Skiles. She is a member of the First Baptist Church.

At school, she participated in yearbook, takes advanced classes and was a twirler for three years. She enjoys writing, drawing homes, watching TV and listening to music. She is a member of the church youth group.

Her special awards include attending district and state twirling and Leon and Mae Stegemoeller. Lottie Belle Parks of Paducah and Delbert and Joyce LeFevre visited with Frances Clark on Thanksgiving day.

Gloria Jean Van Trump of Ft. Worth stopped by Joe and Dorothy Clark's for a short visit on Saturday. She had come for the Raphelt birthday party and upon finding the relocation to Teakwood Manor, she visited with the Clarks before going on to Stamford where she stopped to visit here uncle, Bill Diers and Emma Raphelt. Mrs. Van Trump is the former Jean Diers, daughter of G.A. and Ethel Diers who operated a grocery store in Sagerton many years ago.

Joe Ray, Patricia and Farley Baitz of Austin and Lurline Baitz of Snyder visited in the home of John L. Brooks last Saturday. They too had come for the party and went by Teakwood for a short visit with Emma Raphelt.

Upcoming events at Faith Lutheran for the week of Dec. 15 include the Christmas program on Wednesday night, Dec. 18, Friendship Club at noon, Dec. 19 and the men's breakfast at 7:00 a.m. on Fri., Dec. 20.

Christmas party Tuesday night at the community center with Peggy Tabor, Dorothy Toney and Joyce LeFevre acting as hostesses. Decorations were done by Yvonne Swofford and Dorothy Clark. Marie Zell directed the games. Special guests were Bud and Jo Turnbow of Haskell, Robin and Matthew Ramey of Rule, Lavonta Ward of Lake Stamford and Cathy and Wayne Hartwig from Ontario, Canada. After the meal, the members exchanged Christmas gifts. Those present were J.B. and Dorothy Toney, Charles and Dorothy Clark, Delbert and Joyce LeFevre, Joe and Yvonne Swofford, Pastor and Marie Zell, Alvin and Ev Ulmer, Mrs. M.Y. Benton, David and Leona Letz, Mary Neinast, Wilma Teichelman, Margaret Wendeborn, Geneva Carlton, Bill and Margie Hertel, Jackie and Peggy Tabor, Herbert and Christine Stremmel, Dave and Jo Brown.

Ontario, Canada have been visiting in the home of her sister, Marie and Pastor Zell. They came especially for Marie's birthday on Dec. 1.

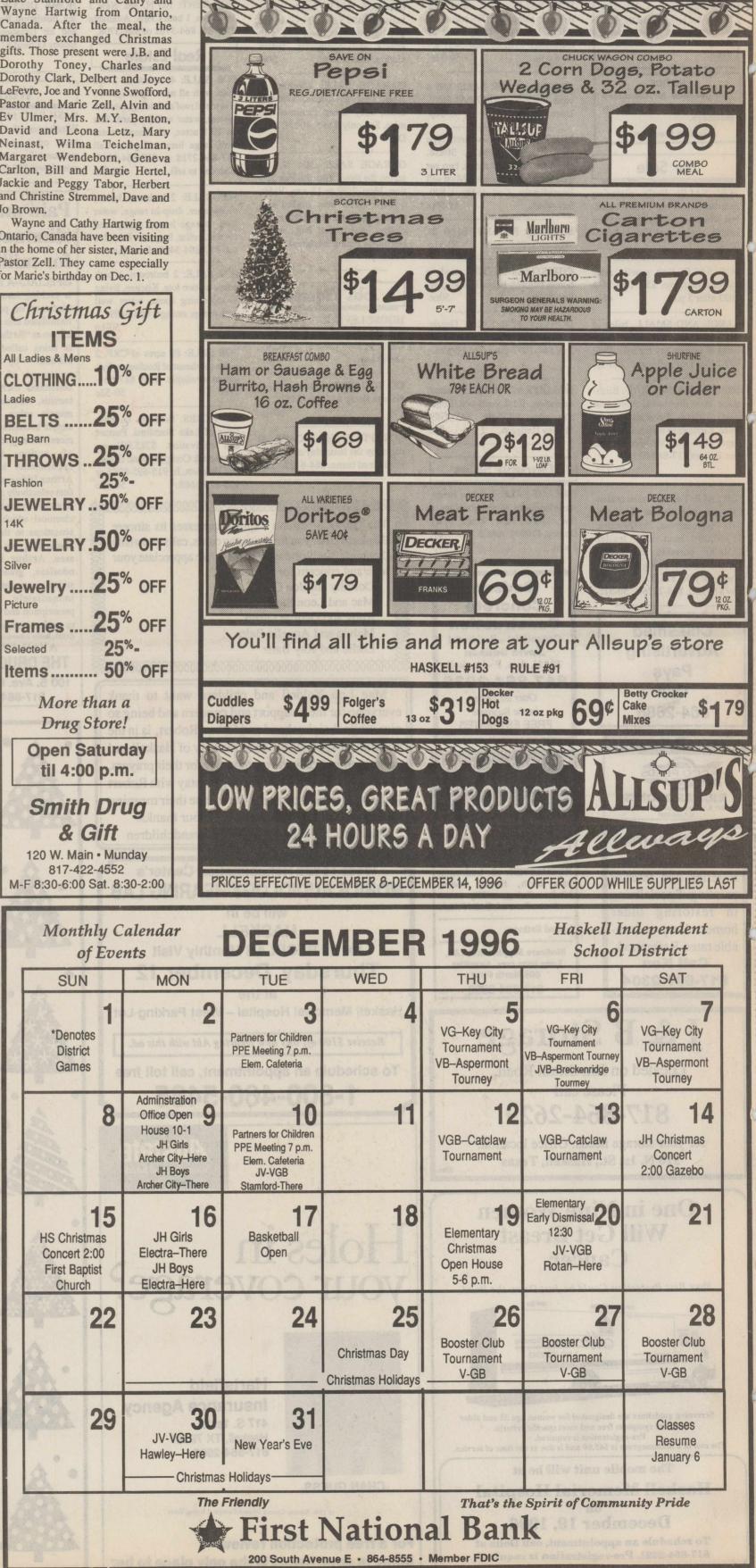


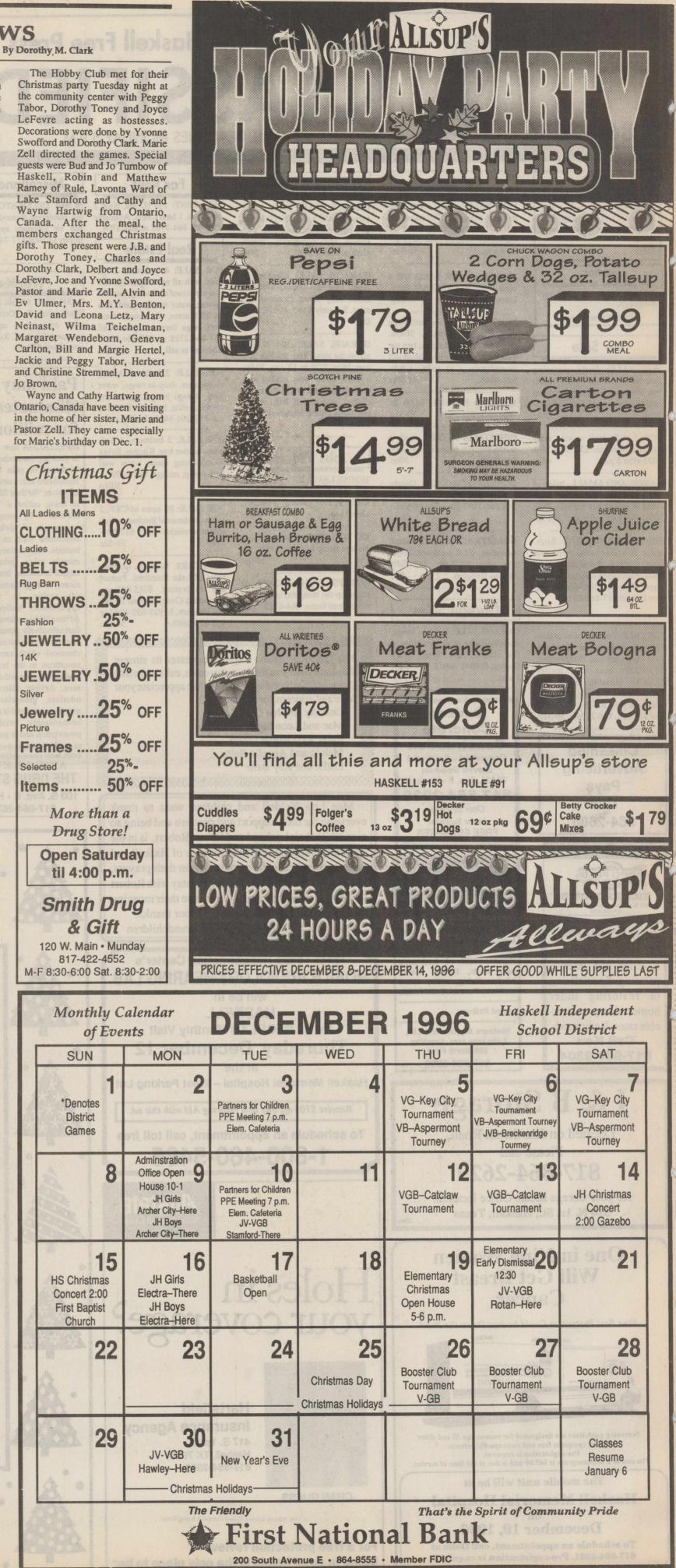
psychology. She intends to earn her basic requirements at a junior college and later transfer and work Picture on a doctorate degree at a ***

Michelle Green is the daughter of Christyne W. Green of Haskell. She attends the Baptist church.

Green is an officer in both FCA and FFA. She enjoys working with mission friends at church and

university.





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competitions for two consecutive years; nominated for Homecoming Queen twice; member of Quill and Scroll and was recognized in Who's Who Among American High School Students.

Skiles plans to attend college in preparation for a career in criminal

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participating in the youth group. She has received an achievement

scholarship from Howard Payne. She plans to attend Howard Payne University in Brownwood and major in either theology or religion. She would like to be a youth minister.



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