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Holiday tournament begins today

The Haskell Indian Booster Club reminds basketball fans of its annual Holiday Hoop Classic tournament going on today at the Haskell High School gym thru Sat., Dec. 28. The tournament will be conducted in a round robin manner. The team with the best record will be the winner.

Five schools are participating in the girls tournament: including Hamlin, Haskell, Rule, Stamford and Throckmorton.

Admission to the tournament is \$3 for adults and \$2 for students. Tip-off time is 3:00 on Thursday and 2:00 on Friday. Saturday's games will begin at 1:00. Trophy presentations will be made following the last game on Saturday.

A concession stand open all three days will provide a variety of snack foods and drinks, as well as pizza and nachos.

Booster Club members encourage everyone to come to the tournament and watch the girls play.



GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONIES—Groundbreaking ceremonies for the Kent Kwik Travel Center, located next to the City Park, were held last Thursday. On hand for the honors were from left,

Monty Montgomery, Development Corporation of Haskell executive director, Bobby Hobgood, president of the DCOH board, City mayor Ken Lane and Bill Kent of Midland, president of Kent Oil, Inc.

ECA class set for January

Western Texas College is offering an Emergency Care Attendant (ECA) class in Haskell beginning Jan. 17. Classes will be held at the Haskell Fire Station and will end on May 2.

Pre-registration, scheduled Jan. 15, is required due to limited space. A deposit of \$25 will be due upon registration. Total tuition is \$120.20 plus deposit.

Clu Burnham, EMT-1 of Stamford, will be the instructor. Classes will be held on Friday evenings from 6 to 10 p.m. Total class time required is 64 hours.

Completion of the course qualifies the student to be eligible for the Texas Department of Health exam which will qualify the individual for an entry level of emergency care on an ambulance.

Haskell Co. EMS is in need of part-time personnel and is offering partial tuition assistance for those who qualify. For information, call Haskell Co. EMS at 864-3945.



WINS STATE—Haskell FFA radio team members won the state contest held in Huntsville. Team members are Vanessa Miller, left, Nicky McCulloch and Kaki Stapleton. Photo by Bill Blankenship

FFA Radio Team wins state, teams place at district, area

Haskell FFA students have participated in the Double Mountain District contest, the Area II contest and the State FFA contest held in Huntsville.

The Haskell FFA Radio team won the state contest. Team members are Vanessa Miller, Nicky McCulloch and Kaki Stapleton. They presented an actual farm radio program over diversified ag products and advanced to state after placing 1st in district and 1st in area contests.

The Senior Chapter Conducting team placed 4th at district. They compete in parliamentary procedure or chapter conducting which is parliamentary law. Members are Michelle Green, Amy Aycock, Angela Aycock, Mindy Howard, Charisse Felty, J. J. Comedy, Shannon Sanford and Missy Teague.

The Junior Chapter Conducting

team placed 2nd at district. Members are Jodi Thigpen, Mitchel Payne, Brittany Bartley, Cole Earles, Evan Everett, Justin Teague, John Mark Hodgins, and Jason Trammell.

The FFA Quiz team placed 3rd at district. Jodi Thigpen, Brittany Bartley, Jason Trammell and Brent Watson are team members. They study the official FFA manual and parliamentary procedure manuals are quizzed over the material.

The Ag Issues team members are Conrad Palacios, Shelly Palacios, Robert Hengstenburg and Jennifer Ashley. They placed 1st at district and 2nd at area contests. This new contest allows team members to debate on current ag issues. This team debated the pros and cons of boll weevil eradication.

Christy Blocker and Kira Potec are the Creed team members. They

placed 1st at district and 3rd at area. They recite the FFA Creed from memory.

The Junior Farm Skills team won 1st at district and 3rd at area competitions. Team members build and explain how an electric fence works. They must assemble and disassemble an electric fence within 20 minutes. Christy Blocker, Jessica Thompson, Hilee Mulligan and April Casiano are team members.

The Senior Farm Skills team placed 2nd at district and 2nd at area. Team members are Shelly Palacios, Wendy Dulaney and Mathew Cunningham.

The public relations team presents a program to 8th graders about the advantages of being a member of FFA. This team of Wendy Gray, Shayne McKenzie and Jennifer Andress placed 3rd at district.

Free Press to have early deadline

The deadline for the Jan. 2 edition of The Haskell Free Press will be at noon on Monday, Dec. 30. Early deadlines are necessary due to the

Wednesday, Jan. 1 holiday. The Haskell Free Press office will be closed Jan. 1.

Alzheimer's seminar set Jan. 11

Make plans to attend the Windcrest Alzheimer's education seminar scheduled Sat., Jan. 11 at the Haskell National Bank. East Side Baptist Church is sponsoring the seminar that

will be held from 10 to 11:30 a.m. and from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

Admission is free. Debbie Beard, RN,BSN will be the seminar leader.

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.

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HASKELL FFA CONTEST TEAM MEMBERS

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McFadden inducted into Phi Chapter

Mike McFadden of Jacksboro was one of 46 Weatherford College students inducted into Phi Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa in special ceremonies Nov. 17. Students, family, faculty and staff enjoyed remarks by Dr. Jim Boyd, Weatherford College president.

Fine arts instructors, Tom Burchill, Myrlan Coleman, Patsy Jackson, Nancy McVean and Anita Tate offered a panel discussion entitled "The Arts: Landscape of Our Time." Phi Theta Kappa is an international honor society for students in two-year colleges.

McFadden attended Haskell schools from Kindergarten to 10th grade. McFadden, who has a grade point of 3.44, is the grandson of Jim and Argie McFadden of Haskell.

Notify Social Security of moves promptly

If you're a Social Security beneficiary and you moved recently, be sure to notify the Social Security Administration (SSA) as soon as possible. Failure to report their new address when they move is the most frequent reason beneficiaries do not receive their Social Security checks.

If your benefits are directly deposited into your bank account, you may not have remembered to notify SSA when you moved. But Social Security needs your current address so you can receive agency notices about your benefits. And now you're approaching the time of year when it's particularly important that SSA has your correct address. For example, in January you will be mailed a Social Security Benefit Statement (Form SSA-1099). You need this form to determine whether or not you will have to pay federal income tax on any Social Security benefits you received in 1996.

To report an address change, contact your local office or call SSA's toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213, between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. any business day. The lines are busiest early in the week and early in the month, so it's best to call other times.



DIVISION WINNERS—Top winners in the Junior Fruit and Vegetable Division of the District 4-H Food Show were Adria Grayson of Childress Co., first place; Zane Henderson of Hardeman Co., second place; Brietta Layne of Kent Co., third place; Ashleigh Stevens of Stephens Co., fourth; and Abby Dudensing of Haskell Co., fifth place.

Obituaries

Billy Oman

Billy F. Oman, 68, of Mineral Wells, died Mon., Dec. 16 at his home. He was born Aug. 11, 1928 in Haskell County to Frank and Thelma Oman. He was baptized in Curry Chapel when he was 10.

Mr. Oman served over 20 years in the U.S. Army, including Vietnam.

Mr. Oman is survived by his wife, Mary Oman of Mineral Wells; two sons, Charles Franklin Oman and Frank Brady Oman; one daughter, Rebekah Beckworth;

three stepsons, Robert, Ricky and Randy Davis; one sister, Etta Jean Searcey; two brothers, Charles Oman and Scott Oman; 4 grandchildren and 5 step-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his mother and father, Frank and Thelma Oman; one sister, Thelma Pearl Dutton and one daughter, Danielle Oman.

Memorials can be made to the American Cancer Society.

Delma Williams

Services were held for Delma L. Williams, 90, Sat., Dec. 21, at the First Baptist Church with Rev. Jim Turner and Kenneth Blair officiating. Burial was held in Willow Cemetery directed by Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Williams died Wed., Dec. 18, in a local hospital. He was born in 1906 in Haskell County. He had recently celebrated his 67th wedding anniversary with his wife, Elizabeth, whom he married in 1929 in Haskell. He worked all his life as a farmer, and was a

member of the First Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth Williams of Haskell; one son, Jack Williams of Dallas; two daughters, Cleo Casey of Houston and Sammie Clay of Richardson; one brother, Dennis Williams of Hawley; two sisters, Helen Johnson of Abilene and Louise Burleson of Hawley; 3 grandsons, Michael Casey of Richmond, VA., Barry Casey of Dalton, AL and Ben Williams of Austin; and 1 great-granddaughter, Christene Casey of Carrollton.

Julia Callaway

Services were held for Julia Teressa Callaway, 83, Sat., Dec. 21, at the East Side Baptist Church with the Revs. Paul Cheatham and David Page officiating. Burial was held in Willow Cemetery directed by Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Callaway died Wed., Dec. 18, in a local hospital. She was born in 1913 in Red Boiling Springs, TN. She married H.R. Callaway in 1936 in Ft. Sumner, NM. She had been a resident of Haskell for 47 years, coming from Green Forest, AR. She was a homemaker, and a member of the East Side Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband of the home; two sons, Hollis Callaway of Haskell and Clinton Callaway of Seminole, OK; one daughter, Teressa Wilson of Tahlequah, OK; one sister, Hallie Self of El Paso; one brother, Anson Butler of Kelseyville, CA; 7 grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family request memorials be made to the American Heart Association or the American Cancer Society.

Pallbearers were Andy Wilfong, Billy Joe Robertson, Willie Buerger, W.B. (Chick) Tidrow, Joe Cothron and Steve Alsbrook.

Gussie Bunde

Services were held for Gussie Bunde, 79, of Yuma, AZ, and formerly of Haskell, Thurs., Dec. 19, at the East Side Baptist Church in Haskell with the Rev. James Patterson and Rev. David Page officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Bunde died Sat., Dec. 14, at a Yuma, AZ hospital. She was born on May 12, 1917 in Haskell. She was an artist and a homemaker. She was a member of and attended the Baptist church all of her life.

She is survived by her husband, Les Bunde of Yuma, AZ; two sons, Charles Taylor of Mesa, AZ and Joe Taylor of Tracy, CA; two step-daughters, Nancy Jackson of Durham, NC and Barbara Call of Lafayette, CO; one brother, Rev. James Patterson of Knox City and 14 grandchildren.

Pallbearers were George Brown, Paul Brown, David Dodson, Doyle High, Elbert Johnson and Mike Dulaney.

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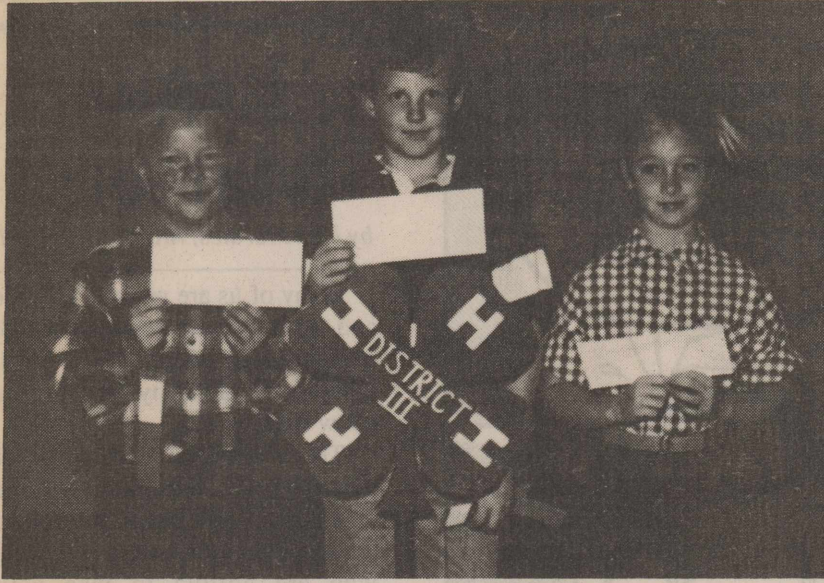
"Any Texas, any age, can get a photo ID card at any DPS Driver License Office," said Frank Elder, deputy administrator of the DPS Driver Licensing and Control Bureau. "People who don't have a driver license often find themselves in need of an official photo ID, whether for cashing checks, proof of age, air travel or other purpose."

An applicant for a card must present a birth certificate, passport or military identification card and pay a \$10 fee. The card is valid for four years. Parents applying for cards for their children must bring one of the required documents for each child.

Security features on the identification cards are the same ones used to prevent forgeries of the driver licenses.

"Our relatively new digital imagery provides a nice, clear photo of the card holder," Elder said. "It's a far cry from the old-style driver license photo. In general, applicants have been pleased with their likenesses, but we still can't offer a selection of poses—the DPS camera operator is the authority on whether the photo is good enough for identification purposes."

LIFESTYLES



BEEF AWARD WINNERS—Top winners to the Beef Award in the Junior Snack and Dessert Division at the District 4-H Food Show were Emery Dudensing of Haskell Co., third place; Justin Lowe of Knox Co., first place and Tess Sales of Archer Co., second place.

Students of all ages need adequate sleep

Students of all ages may be missing a key ingredient to good grades—adequate sleep.

"Sleep is probably the most important period of the day for processing new information," said Dr. Bruce D. Perry, a child psychiatrist at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

Missing sleep, Perry says, causes most of the day's experiences to be stored inefficiently in the brain. Lectures heard, chapters read, interactions with teachers are harder to remember if the brain is sleep deprived.

"Rather than cramming information for a test, students are better off studying in smaller chunks and getting enough rest to process the information properly," he said. "Otherwise, you end up storing the information in short-term memory and forgetting it in a few weeks."

Sleep is critical for young

students as well.

"Children have many new concepts to learn in school," he said. "A good night's sleep not only lets them process what they learned but also helps them be alert in class."

Students who are sleep deprived tend to be more irritable and have difficulty concentrating.

Perry feels that parents often underestimate the importance of sleep.

"Children are kept so busy with after-school and evening activities that sleep gets short-changed," he said. "This lack of adequate sleep robs children of some of their learning potential."

Perry recommends at least eight hours of sleep for adults and 10 or more hours of sleep for children.

"Sleep helps the brain organize new information, so literally, in the morning you wake up smarter than you were when you went to bed," he said.

Farm, ranch management seminars developed for women

by Lou Gilly

Haskell Co. Ext. Agent This program was developed for farm and ranch wives working on or off the farm, as well as women who run their own farm and ranch business. Its focus is on helping participants gain insights into and a broader understanding of the business management issues involved in running a farm or ranch operation.

A few off the topics covered include Income Tax Management, Personnel Management, Estate Planning, Business Transfer Issues, Commodity Marketing and Agricultural Policy. The program

is divided into three units, each involving two full days of instruction. The units are designed to be taken in successive years.

The programs will be offered in two locations: College Station on January 29-31, 1997 and in Lubbock on February 19-21, 1997. For more information and a registration form, contact Danny Klinefelter or Tami Tesaro at 409-845-7171 or write to them at the Department of Agricultural Economics, Texas A&M University, Blocker Building Room #458, College Station, Texas 77843-2124.

Philadelphian Club journeys to see Aspermont lights

The Philadelphian Club of Rule traveled to Aspermont on Thurs., Dec. 12 and enjoyed a Dutch Treat meal at Frazier's Restaurant. Following the meal the group exchanged Christmas ornaments and then took a tour of the

Christmas decorations at the homes of J.K. Veazey's and Fred Martins. The group then returned to Rule and toured the homes in Rule decorated for Christmas.

In the business meeting, the group decided to bring a non-perishable item to the Jan. 16 meeting to donate to a project. The Club's Constitution and By-Laws will be reviewed and a parliamentary quiz will be the theme of the January meeting.

Accompanying the group were guests: Janis Brzozowski of Haskell and Nelwyn Beakley and Sid Hester of Rule.



AREA PARTICIPANTS—4-H'ers who participated in the 1996 District 4-H Food Show are (seated) Lindsay Reel, Paint Creek and Emery Dudensing, Sagerton. Standing are Tabitha Coker, Bergen Peiser, Shayne McKenzie, Anna Rieger and Jennifer Smith, all of Haskell, and Abby Dudensing of Sagerton.

Study Club meets for Christmas program

President Kim Meredith hosted members of the Haskell Progressive Study and guests in her home on Thurs., Dec. 12, for a program by the junior high bell ringers of the First Baptist Church, Ring of Truth. The group was directed by Ford Cole and assisting was Phoi McGuire.

The group performed three specials: Angels From the Realms of Glory, Birthday of a King and Shine Jesus Shine. The members joined the group in the singing of the last song.

Several members shared memories of Christmas's past in relating the joys and surprises of Christmas they had enjoyed and also the joys of those they looked forward to.

A time of fellowship followed with those present being served an assortment of cookies, homemade candies and hot spiced tea by the hostesses: Ruby Holt, Frances

Lane, Marjorie Huss, Kim Meredith, Sue Medford and Oleta Cornelius.

Toys brought by members to be donated to the Child Welfare Department were placed under a beautiful decorated tree. The home was beautifully decorated for the holiday season.

Hospital Auxiliary hold Christmas party, meeting

Haskell Hospital Auxiliary met Mon. night, Dec. 16, for a meeting and Christmas party in the First National Bank of Haskell.

Those attending enjoyed an assortment of sandwiches, cheese ball, chips and dips, coffee and tea. Blessing was asked by Oleta Cornelius.

Work of the year was reviewed and discussion of the Auxiliary.

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OPINION

Automatic enrollment available for Social Security direct deposits

Social Security beneficiaries who want to switch to direct deposit are now able to use a new "automatic enrollment" process. You just need to tell your bank that you want direct deposit, according to Ken Hargis, manager of the Abilene Social Security office.

"Automatic enrollment makes it possible for banks to send direct deposit enrollment information to Social Security electronically. This eliminates the need for people to call Social Security's toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213, to provide their bank account information," Hargis stated.

The law now requires that applicants for Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) have their monthly benefit payment deposited directly into their bank account.

People who apply for Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) have the convenience of direct deposit. That policy will also apply to people who receive any federal benefit payment, federal wage, salary or retirement payment or vendor and expense reimbursement payment.

"So when you come to apply for benefits, be sure to have your bank information with you—documents that show your financial institution and your account, such as a personal check, savings passbook or an account statement," Hargis said.

Direct deposit works better for

both the beneficiary and the government. Beneficiaries have less risk of the loss or theft of their checks through the mail, a better record of payments, and greater convenience in receiving their monthly benefits. Direct deposit saves the government 40 cents for each check deposited.

People already on the Social Security and SSI rolls who get checks through the mail, a better record of payments, and greater convenience in receiving their monthly benefits. Direct deposit saves the government 40 cents for each check deposited.

About 61 percent of the 43 million people who get Social Security already receive their payment by direct deposit. If the 24 million Social Security and SSI beneficiaries who now receive checks changed to direct deposit, the savings to the taxpayers would be \$9.6 million a month. The government saves 40 cents each time someone uses direct deposit instead of a check. It costs 42 cents to process and mail each check, compared to 2 cents for direct deposit.

Under the law, Social Security and SSI beneficiaries who receive a check by mail will be required to switch to direct deposit by January, 1999. Those who don't have a bank account at that time will have available to them special debit-only accounts at designated banks and will be paid by direct deposit.



From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

20 Years Ago Dec. 23, 1976

Retiring District Attorney Royce Adkins was presented with a plaque during the annual Courthouse Christmas Party. The presentation was made by Retired District Judge Ben Charlie Chapman. Adkins will end 24 years as District Attorney December 31.

The Home Lighting Contest winners were announced. In the Window division: first, Ruby Turner, second, Tim Larned, third, Mr. and Mrs. Drey Lowe; Door: first, Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Toliver, third, Mrs. Clois Thomas; Yard: first Dr. and Mrs. T.W. Williams, second, Mr. and Mrs. W.A. Fowler, third, Mrs. Clois Thomas.

30 Years Ago Dec. 22, 1966

Twirlers for Haskell High

School 1966-67 are Paula Terrell, head twirler; Peggy Thigpen; Belinda McKelvin, Donna Gordon and Suzie Montgomery.

Selected to appear in the 1966 edition of "Outstanding Young Women of America" were Mrs. Evelyn Cobb; Mrs. Sarah Sue Jones and Mrs. Nelda Kathleen.

40 Years Ago Dec. 27, 1956

Employees of Perkins-Timberlake received annual Christmas bonuses in the form of gift certificates ranging in value from \$5.00 to \$25.00, states manager Don Roberts. The personnel was also gifted with large boxes of pecans by the concern.

All chairs in the district courtroom have been repaired and revarnished, along with chairs in the jury box, witness stand and the section for court officials. All

woodwork in the courtroom also received a new coat of stain and varnish, including the judge's stand and other furniture. The refinishing and repair work was contracted by R.E. Thornberry, local carpenter and painter.

50 Years Ago Dec. 24, 1946

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Phelps are spending the Christmas holidays in Lubbock, guests in the home of Mrs. Phelps' parents.

The federal government plans to start legal advertising in January whereby Stamford can obtain Arledge Airfield. Stamford has an interim lease on the airport.

The duck supply in Haskell County was reported to be the lowest in five years, despite reduction in the hunting season from 80 to 45 days, daily bag limit from 10 to 7 birds and possession limit from 20 to 14.

Holiday cheer can turn into holiday blues

by Lou Gilly

Haskell Co. Ext. Agent

The holiday season brings families together, friends closer and good cheer—but not for all. In fact, if the silver lining this holiday season turns blue, you may be experiencing mild depression.

Dr. Judith Warren, Gerontology Specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service said many things including the recent or past loss of a loved one can trigger feelings of depression during the holiday season.

"The loss of a family member, friend, pet, or a move to a new residence can bring on 'the holiday blues' for some people," Warren said. "Memories of past special times come flooding back and overwhelm some people."

The holiday blues may also stem from feelings of disappointment due to unmet expectations.

"Some people feel the holidays just aren't what they used to be," Warren said. "Comparing this holiday to earlier times when a family member was present can result in thinking things just can't be the same."

To help get out of the holiday blues, Warren advises three things: increasing physical activity, initiating new traditions and finding a listening ear.

Physical activity such as walking can often reduce symptoms

of depression such as energy loss and troubled sleeping.

Starting a new tradition instead of focusing on missing ones can help reduce a negative cast on the holidays. While it is important to remember special times with a friend or spouse, it is not realistic to expect holidays to feel like those when the family member was present.

Hanging a special ornament on the tree to symbolize a connection with a lost loved one or planting a tree to memorialize the person you have lost may help.

Seeking out the listening ear of a friend is one of the best ways to ward off the blues, Warren said. "Find someone that will listen to your concerns without giving advice or trying to convince you that everything is okay."

This may be a friend, family member, or someone you know has had a similar loss. When the blues persist, however, seeking help from a professional counselor, psychologist or your doctor may be necessary.

"Listening is the greatest gift you can give a friend who is having trouble coping with the holidays," Warren said. "When you acknowledge the emptiness your friend feels, you are validating the importance of the person she has lost. Listening to heartfelt memories can be useful in the healing process."

Cold weather safety tips

Texas weather can be hot one day and cold the next. No matter what the weather is on any given day, 20 degrees or 90 degrees, all Texans need to be aware of natural gas safety practices. Before too much longer the temperature will probably be a lot closer to 20 degrees than 90 degrees with the arrival of cold winter weather drawing closer.

Lone Star Gas also recommends you contact a certified heating and air conditioning contractor to check your heating equipment prior to the beginning of the heating season. To obtain the name of a Lone Star Gas Preferred Gas Dealer in your area, dial 1-800-460-3030. Additionally, Lone Star offers the following safety tips for the cold months ahead:

- If an appliance's pilot light goes out, turn off the gas at the appliance for several minutes before you attempt to re-light it. You should find instructions attached to the appliance.
- When re-lighting a pilot light, strike the match and hold it to the opening first. Then slowly turn on the gas.

- The pilot lights and main burners on all gas appliances should always be blue. If the flame is yellow or red, call a certified heating and air conditioning contractor immediately.

- Use a gas appliance only for its intended purpose. An oven, for example, should not be used to heat a room.

And if you use a space heater in your home, the following guidelines should be observed:

- Clean space heaters before using; remove cobwebs, dust and dirt that may have accumulated during the warmer months.
- Be sure the space heater, if it is vented, is operating properly.
- If the space heater doesn't have a vent or an oxygen cut-off switch, provide proper, outside ventilation such as a slightly open window.
- Check the air/gas mixture of your space heater's flame. Make sure it is blue, not red or yellow.
- Make sure the grille is intact and in place.
- Keep space heaters away from furniture, drapes and other combustible materials.

Here are some other tips for

year-round safety:

- Never store or use gasoline or any flammable liquids (such as paint, paint thinner, cleaning fluids, etc.) in the same room with any gas appliance.
- Never store combustibles near floor or wall furnace grilles.
- Never store rags, paper or other combustibles near any appliance with a pilot light or open flame.
- Have qualified service people install and maintain all gas appliances.
- Always follow the manufacturer's instructions for the installation and operation of each appliance. If installing a gas water heater in the garage, place the water heater at least 18 inches off the floor.
- Before you dig in your yard, take precautions against disrupting underground gas lines by calling 1-800-344-8377 to have your gas line located.
- Contact your local plumber to make periodic inspections of gas lines in your home and gas lines on your property.

If you ever smell the odor of gas in your home, follow these three steps:

1. Do not switch anything electrical on or off, strike a match or do anything that might cause a spark. And don't use your own telephone, as telephones use small amounts of electricity.
2. Have everyone evacuate the house immediately, leaving the doors open for ventilation.
3. Go to the nearest telephone and call Lone Star Gas Company. Wait until the cause of the odor is found before returning to your home.

Lone Star Gas emphasizes that by following a few simple safety rules, consumers can reduce the risks and enjoy the benefits of natural gas as a safe, effective energy resource. If residents have any concerns regarding these safety measures, or if there is a gas leak in your home or community, Lone Star Gas urges you to call them immediately at 1-800-817-8090.

Year end tax tips for farmers and ranchers

by Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Ext. Agent

As farmers and ranchers wrap up another year, there may be one more taxing issue to take care of. Those who got involved in deferred payments for their products need to know they could end up paying more by trying to pay less. To save on their taxes this year, many farmers and some ranchers may have opted for a deferred payment for their product.

So even though they harvested in 1996, they won't get paid until 1997 and they won't have to report that income on their tax returns for 1996. But Extension Agricultural Economist and Attorney Dr. Wayne Hayenga says installment sales

contracts can be tricky and you could end up paying as much as 28 percent in taxes.

If your alternative tax for the deferred payment is higher than your regular income tax rate, the government can make you pay the higher rate. You can prevent that by having the proper wording in your contract. You'll need to check that before the year is out.

Hayenga says you can also save on your taxes by prepaying for farm and ranch items before January first. If you've had a good year, go ahead and pay for fertilizer, insecticides, fuel and such. You'll be that much farther ahead come 1997.

Legal Matters

by Dan Morales, Attorney General

Many of us are pressed for time and welcome the convenience of shopping by telephone or mail. The rewards are many, but there are a few risks as well.

The overwhelming majority of mail and phone order businesses are legitimate, but there are some unscrupulous marketers out there who are willing to take your money and send you nothing.

That is why we at the Office of the Attorney General have put together a few tips to help you avoid becoming a victim. Remember, when you shop by mail or phone, you are protected by federal and state laws.

Fair Credit Billing Act

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) is charged with protecting consumers who shop by mail. Under the federal Mail Order Rule, vendors must ship ordered merchandise within the advertised time period. If no specific shipment date or delivery time is promised, the seller must send your merchandise no later than 30 days after receiving your order. For consumers paying by credit card, delivery must occur within 30 days after the account is charged.

Know your rights

If the sellers are unable to fill your order within 30 days, they must send you an option notice. The notice must tell you the new shipping date and inform you of your right to cancel and request a full refund. If you choose to cancel your order, the seller must mail your refund within seven working days. If you bought on credit, the seller must adjust your account within one billing cycle.

Sometimes catalog pictures can be deceiving. If what you receive is substantially different from what you expected, you have the right to cancel the contract and return the merchandise. Write the company immediately to inform it of your intention. If you have any doubts about the company's reliability or honesty, consider keeping the goods until you actually receive your refund.

If you didn't order it, don't pay for it

What if you receive something in the mail that you did not order? Mail order con artists sometimes send an item, along with a phony invoice, hoping that you will be fooled into paying for something that you did not order. In most cases, you may consider it a gift. While there are exceptions, such as agreements you might have with a book or record club, the general rule is: if you didn't order it, you don't have to pay for it.

Mail order tips

Read all advertisements carefully. Remember that pictures can be deceiving. The quality of the item may be lower than it appears in the ad. Also, the performance of the product may not match the ad's claims. In one case, we sued a mail order company advertising a cologne "guaranteed" to make men irresistible to women. Despite the guarantee, a number of consumers were disappointed and requested refunds.

It is always best, of course, to protect yourself by dealing only with reputable companies. If you have any doubts about a particular business, contact our Consumer Protection Division, the Better Business Bureau, or the U.S. Postal Inspector to see if any complaints have been filed.

For more information

If you have any questions about mail order sales, please contact your nearest Attorney General's Consumer Protection Office or call us toll free at 800-621-0508. If you have Internet access, you can check out our home page at <http://www.oag.state.tx.us>.

Correction

A grandson, Kendall Strickland, was omitted in the obituary printed in last week's Haskell Free Press for Mary Doris Felker Hannsz.

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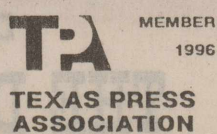
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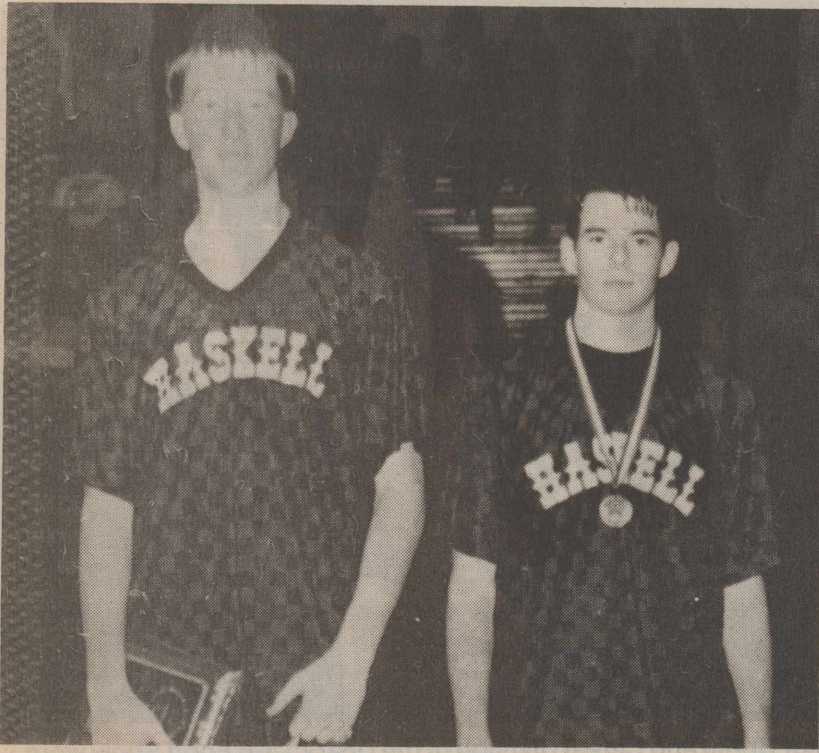
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TOP INDIVIDUALS—Casey Burgess, left, was named MVP of the Double Mountain Tournament held in Aspermont recently. Named to the All Tournament Team was Matthew McCord. Haskell defeated Aspermont 90-62 to win the tournament.

Photo by Bill Blankenship

Sagerton News

By Dorothy M. Clark

Clear weather has prevailed and the farmers have been extremely busy getting the cotton out. Most of the fields will be stripped by now and plans are underway for a new year. We are thankful for the better than expected crop for this year and look forward to a bumper crop for 1997.

The Friendship Club met at Faith Lutheran Church, Thurs., Dec. 19, for the Christmas dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Ulmer furnished the turkey for the dinner and Joyce LeFevre and Dorothy Toney cooked it and the dressing.

Birthday honorees for December were Meta Kupatt, Delbert LeFevre, Marie Zell and Vernon Wofford. Those in attendance were Corene Lowack, Leona

Schonerstedt, Michelle, Tarah and Clay Toney, Colina Kendell, Mary Neinast, Minnie Monse, Isabelle Mrazek, John L. Brooks, Louie and Adeline Spitzer, Alvin and Ev Ulmer, and Meta Kupatt.

Pastor Jeff and Marie Zell, Larry LeFevre, Ed Fouts, Anita Dozier, Jack and Peggy Tabor, G.W. and Ophelia LeFevre, Frances Clark, Hazel Letz, Doris Lehmann, Joe and Dorothy Clark, J.B. and Dorothy Toney, Vernon and Hazel Woffo, Bubba Mrazek and Gustavo Arias.

Thanks to all readers for your cooperation in reporting community events to your correspondent and best wishes to everyone for a healthy, prosperous New Year.

Protective eyewear important during athletic activities

Many people lost their lives last New Years holiday and the two major violations that caused these traffic deaths were speed and the drinking driver. Not only were lives lost but during that same period hundreds of others were injured and some crippled for life.

Most people think they can drink several beers and still be a safe driver, but even a couple of beers slows a persons ability to think and to react.

The Texas Department of Public Safety would like to go through the entire holiday period without a single injury or death. We will be

utilizing all available manpower to watch for traffic violations. Speed and driving under the influence of alcohol will be the leading holiday killers that will be targeted by our Troopers.

When going to those parties this year remember to take that designated driver with you. Be smart and after a few drinks, don't let the alcohol start thinking for you and making you believe you can handle your vehicle in a safe manner.

This holiday period, remember, if you drink don't drive and if you drive don't drink. Let's all have a happy new year.

Drive safely during New Year's holiday

Are you ready for the game? Don't forget protective eyewear.

"Sports are a significant cause of eye injuries," said Dr. Bowes Hamill, an assistant professor of ophthalmology at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

Eye injuries are most common in basketball and baseball, where a foreign object—such as a finger or a fast ball—can come into contact with the eye.

He said most sports-related eye injuries could be prevented with

protective eyewear, which costs between \$15 and \$25.

But do not think any old glasses will do.

"Sunglasses and prescription lenses are not designed to be protective eyewear," said Hamill. "You need to have protective glasses that are designed to withstand impact." He recommends goggle-type protection for basketball and shield-type protection for baseball.

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GOD'S LOVE WILL WARM US DURING THE COLD OF WINTER

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While frost pervades the night;
And then the land will greet the dawn,
Arrayed in sparkling white.
As soon as temperatures will freeze
To zero and below,
The barren branches of the trees
Will wear an icy glow;

And yet this frigid time of year,
With Arctic wind and storm,
Reminds us with a note of cheer
That faith will keep us warm.
So bundle up and praise the Lord
For promises He'll keep:
That spring will follow and reward
This winter world asleep.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

HASKELL
East Side Baptist Church
David Page, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:55 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
600 N. 1st East, Haskell

Christian Church
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.
510 N. Ave. E, Haskell

First Presbyterian Church
Jasper McClellan, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
306 N. Ave. E, Haskell

Trinity Baptist Church
Rev. Kenneth Blair
Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.
401 S. Ave. D, Haskell

Hopewell Baptist Church
John Lewis, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
908 N. Ave. A, Haskell

Greater Independent Baptist Church
Rev. Camellia Wade, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.
301 N. 3rd St., Haskell

New Covenant Foursquare
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.
Weinert

ROCHESTER
Church of Christ
Jim Pratt, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
West on Main Street, Rochester

First Baptist Church
Ed Buerkle, pastor
Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m.
500 Main, Rochester

Union Chapel Baptist Church
Rev. Andrew
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Rochester

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
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
Elm Street-Hwy 380 E, Rule

Sweet Home Baptist Church
Matt Herrington, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Gladstone Ave., Rule

West Bethal Baptist Church
Rev. Robert Sweet
Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.
300 Sunny Ave., Rule

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Texas drivers to furnish SS number beginning January 1

The Texas Department of Public Safety will require drivers to furnish their Social Security number in order to process their driver license application or renewal beginning January 1, 1997, the DPS announced recently.

The Texas Transportation Code

requires the DPS to collect the Social Security number of any person who applies for a driver license in this state. "The law has been in effect since 1993 and we have been collecting the number on a voluntary basis," said Jimmy Tillinghast, Driver License

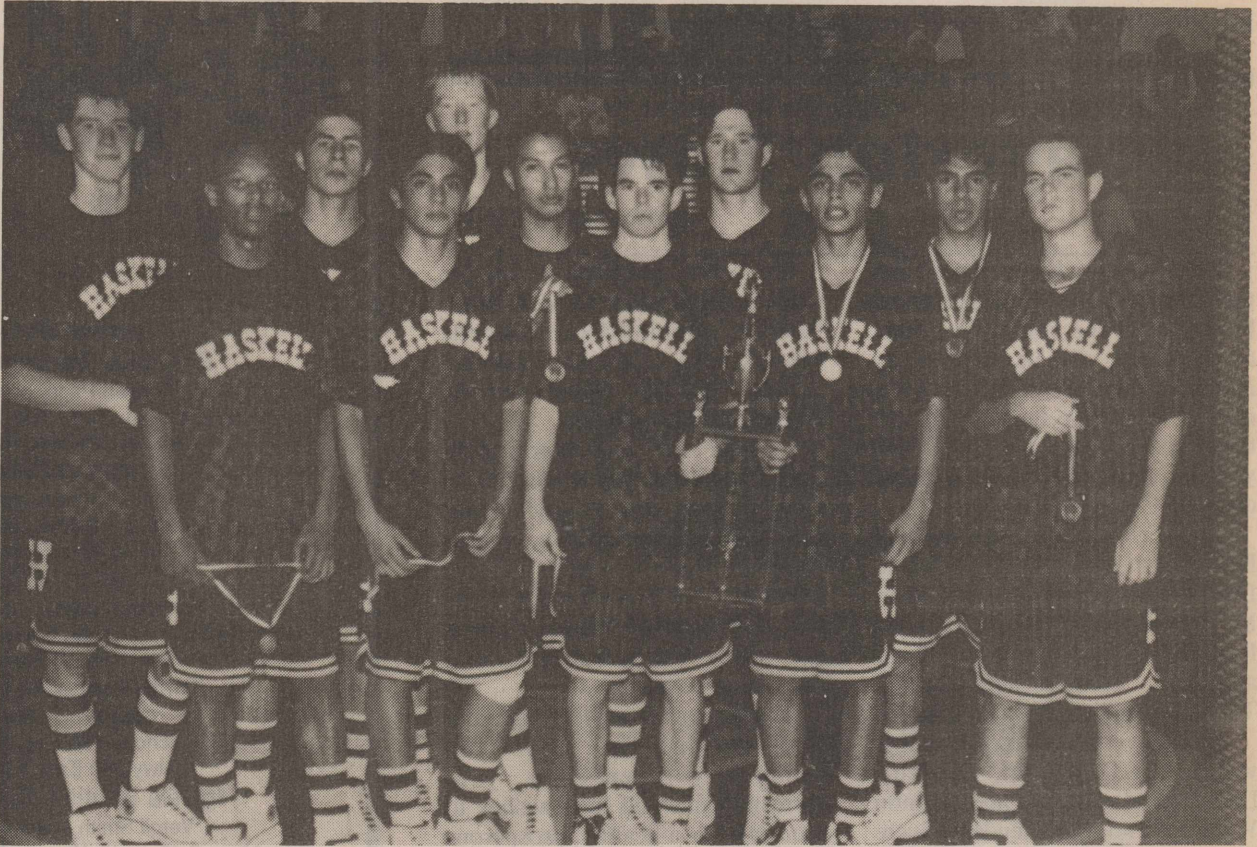
Captain, Lubbock. "However, to be in compliance with state law, we will require this information after January 1, 1997."

Tillinghast also stated that proper documentation of the number will be necessary. Acceptable documentation would include your social security card, payroll or employment records, income tax documents and certain identification cards where the Social Security number is used and proper identification can be made. Facsimiles and employer lists will not suffice. "Without proper documentation of the number, no license will be issued," Tillinghast said.

While state and federal law allows for the use of Social Security numbers for driver licensing purposes, driver license personnel will not require the number for department issued identification cards. They will continue to request the number on a voluntary basis in those instances. "Hopefully, by getting this information out now, the public can avoid unnecessary delays by having the proper documentation in hand when they walk through the door," Tillinghast said.



TOP WINNERS—Winners in the Senior Bread and Cereal Division of the District 4-H Food Show were Anna Rieger of Haskell Co., first place; Lori Sam Fanbro of Stephens Co., second place; Mandi Myers of Knox Co., third place; Allison Holly of Young Co., fourth; and Amber Chisum of Kent Co., fifth.



HASKELL WINS—The Haskell Indians were the tournament winners of the Double Mountain Tournament held in Aspermont recently. Indians scalped the Aspermont team 90-62 to win the tournament. Photo by Bill Blankenship

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The Board of Directors of the Haskell County Country Club on December 4, 1996 passed and approved the following Rule governing cart shed use and occupancy:

Because certain cart sheds have become unclaimed or unoccupied, the Club will give notice to the membership that any cart shed tenant that does not notify the Club by January 10, 1997 concerning the cart shed and use thereof; then said cart shed will be considered by the board to be abandoned and vacated and such abandoned and vacated cart sheds will be opened and made available to other members.

The membership will be notified of this Rule by publication of same in the Haskell Free Press for three consecutive weeks.

The Board stresses that **IT IS IMPORTANT FOR ALL CART SHED OWNERS TO NOTIFY THE CLUB UNDER THIS RULE. NOTIFICATION CAN BE MADE BY CALLING ANY OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONS:**

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1-800-580-2788

Eddie Medford
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David Jim Strickland
864-2677

Be careful with those holiday leftovers

by Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Ext. Agent
Once you've put away that big holiday meal into your belly, you need to put the leftovers into the

refrigerator. One of the biggest problems around the holidays is food that's left out too long.

Extension nutrition specialist, Dr. Peggy Van Laanen recommends perishable goods not be left at room temperature for more than two hours. She says failing to follow that basic rule could give your guests food poisoning. The symptoms are upset stomach, stomach cramping, vomiting, diarrhea and sometimes fever and

chills. For the elderly, the very young and the chronically ill, that can be a serious medical problem.

Turkey will keep in the refrigerator for three to four days—after that the quality diminishes. Van Laanen says cut it off the bone. The smaller pieces will cool better and keep better. And she recommends storing the dressing separate from the turkey since dressing tends to go bad faster.

Keep brewed tea from getting cloudy

Brewed ice tea becomes cloudy when it is put directly into the refrigerator after brewing. That's because steeping tea released tannins from the tea that produce a cloudiness when the tea is chilled, causing the tannins to precipitate out of solution. To avoid

cloudiness, steep tea at a low temperature (never boil it). This is why "sun" tea can avoid the cloudy appearance. It never gets hot enough to extract the tannin.

Submitted by Lou Gilly,
Haskell Co. Ext. Agent

PAINT CREEK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND SIMILAR TRUST FUNDS YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1996

Exhibit A-2

GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPE TOTALS (MEMORANDUM ONLY)

Data Control Codes	100-199		200-499		98		97	
	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	AUGUST 31, 1996	AUGUST 31, 1995	AUGUST 31, 1996	AUGUST 31, 1995	AUGUST 31, 1996	AUGUST 31, 1995
REVENUES:								
5700	Local, Intermediate, and Out-of-State	\$507,774	\$16,342	\$524,116	\$538,567			
5800	State Program Revenues	500,731	4,511	505,242	477,558			
5900	Federal Program Revenues	-	40,463	40,463	38,447			
	Excluding Revenues Funding Function 14	\$1,008,505	\$61,316	\$1,069,821	\$1,054,572			
0014	Revenues Collected for Funding Function 14	-	-	-	-			
5030	Total Revenues	\$1,008,505	\$61,316	\$1,069,821	\$1,054,572			
EXPENDITURES:								
0011	Instruction	\$516,400	\$8,758	\$525,158	\$529,269			
0015	Public Education Grant Program	-	-	-	-			
0016	Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program	-	-	-	-			
0017	Charter Schools	-	-	-	-			
0021	Instructional Administration	20,174	-	20,174	18,039			
0022	Instructional Resources and Media Services	11,354	-	11,354	9,363			
0023	School Administration	34,577	-	34,577	30,284			
0025	Curriculum and Instruct. Staff Development	-	-	-	-			
0026	Communication and Dissemination	-	-	-	-			
0031	Guidance and Counseling Services	18,232	-	18,232	15,378			
0032	Attendance and Social Work Service	-	-	-	-			
0033	Health Services	1,053	-	1,053	2,441			
0034	Student Transportation	92,173	-	92,173	40,715			
0036	Co-curricular Activities	40,256	-	40,256	35,559			
0037	Food Services	186	47,711	47,897	46,155			
0041	General Administration	90,065	-	90,065	75,654			
0042	Debt Services	17,118	-	17,118	10,739			
0051	Plant Maintenance and Operations	157,180	5,000	162,180	120,672			
0052	Facilities Acquisition and Construction	-	-	-	7,473			
0075	Data Processing Services	26,168	-	26,168	21,993			
0081	Community Service	-	-	-	-			
	Expenditures Excluding Function 14	\$1,024,936	\$61,469	\$1,086,405	\$963,734			
0014	Instructional Services Between Districts	-	-	-	-			
6050	Total Expenditures	\$1,024,936	\$61,469	\$1,086,405	\$963,734			
Excess (Deficiency) Revenues Over Expenditures								
1100	Other Resources	(\$16,431)	(\$153)	(\$16,584)	\$90,838			
7990	Other Resources	37,423	584	38,007	14,050			
8990	Other (Uses)	(21,735)	-	(21,735)	(14,050)			
1200	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Resources Over Expenditures & Other Uses	(\$743)	\$431	(\$312)	\$90,838			
0100	Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	322,031	-	322,031	231,193			
1300	Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance	-	-	-	-			
3000	Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$321,288	\$431	\$321,719	\$322,031			

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FOR RENT: 3 bedroom, 1 bath house in Haskell. Call 405-226-7194 after 5 p.m. 51-52c

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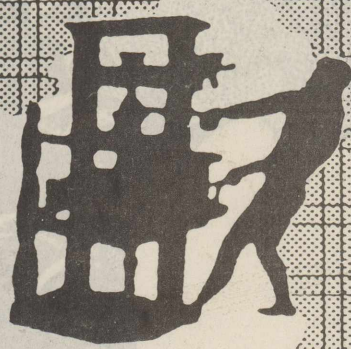
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