

### Baseball games

Haskell JV vs. Holiday  
Mon., 5:00 at Holiday  
Haskell Indians vs.  
Archer City  
Tues., 5:00 at Haskell

### Calendar

#### Social Security

A representative from the Social Security Administration will be in Haskell at the City Hall annex Thurs., April 3 at 9:30 a.m.

#### Passover service

The Haskell Christian Church will conduct a Christian Passover service March 27 at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

#### PALS to meet

Haskell Co. PALS will meet April 15 at City Hall at 7 p.m. The April 1st meeting has been postponed.

#### Easter drama

An Easter drama will be presented by members of the congregation and Sanctuary Choir of First Baptist Church in Haskell March 30 at 10:55 a.m. The script has been adapted and offers a living portrait of The Last Supper by Leonardo da Vinci. The drama is titled "I Am the Way, the Truth, and the Life."

#### Bake Sale

The ladies of the Church of God church will hold a bake sale Friday and Saturday at M-System.

#### Shrimp feed

A shrimp feed will be held Sat., April 5 at 7 p.m. at the Haskell Country Club. Tickets are \$10 a plate.

#### Revival

A Holy Ghost revival will be held beginning April 6 at the Foursquare Church, 200 S. Ave. F, in Haskell. The Weaver family will speak during the services.

#### Gospel musical

A gospel musical will be held in Old Glory at the Community Center Sat., March 29 beginning at 6:00 p.m. A concession stand will be open at 5:30.

#### Sagerton Hee Haw

Tickets for the Sagerton Hee Haw are available at the home of J. B. and Dorothy Toney in Sagerton or by calling 817-997-2688. Mail orders may be sent to Rt. 2 Box 10A, Sagerton, TX 79548. The Hee Haw will be held April 3-5 at the Sagerton Community Center.

#### Partners for Children

Partners for Children will hold a meeting Tues., April 1 at 7 p.m. at the Haskell Elementary School. Topic for the meeting is "Encouraging Motivation." Child care is available by calling 864-2654.

#### Doctors' reception

A reception will be held honoring the doctors of Haskell Memorial Hospital on Fri., March 28 from noon to 1 p.m. in the lobby of the hospital.

#### Mammography

Haskell Memorial Hospital will sponsor a mammography screening day Tues., April 8. The service, through Bethania's Mobile Mammography Van, will be located on the parking lot of the hospital. Pre-registration is a requirement and can be done by contacting Delia at 817-864-2621.

#### Holy Week services

St. George Catholic Church in Haskell announces the following Holy Week services: Holy Thursday, March 27, mass at 8 p.m.; Good Friday, March 28, service 8 p.m.; Holy Saturday, March 29, Easter vigil at St. Ann, Stamford 8 p.m. (First communion, confirmation and baptisms will be performed); and Easter Sunday, March 30, mass 9 a.m.

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## Happy Easter

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**FIRE**—The Haskell Volunteer Fire Department worked Friday afternoon to extinguish a hay bale and cotton burr fire at the

Haskell Livestock Auction. The fire caused a smoky atmosphere in town late Friday.

## FCE annual district meeting set in Jayton

by Lou Gilly

Family and Community Educators (FCE) will meet for their annual district meeting in Jayton on Wed., April 16. Delegates from twenty-five counties in the Rolling Plains area will meet at the Jayton Public School, beginning with registration at 9:30 a.m., according to Elaine Houston, District Extension Director for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Rolling Plains-3.

The program theme will be "FCE Roundup" with speakers and workshops on picturesque welcome to ranching by Bob Moorhouse, Pitchfork Ranch manager;

Marketing and Membership workshop; World Wide Web workshop by Clyde Porterfield, Extension Computer Specialist, and a creative arts workshop. Gerry Zummer, State board member of Texas Association of Family and Community Education will also be a workshop speaker. Cottle, Dickens and Kent County FCE members are hosting the meeting. Virginia Helton, from Parker County, is District Director for the Family and Community Educators and will chair the meeting.

Approximately 200 members of the FCE clubs in the Rolling Plains District are expected to

attend. The purpose of the organized FCE clubs is to strengthen family living, develop leadership skills, and to improve human rights. Texas Association for Family and Community Education Association is a part of the National Association for Family and Community Education, County Women's Council and the

Associated Country Women of the World. They are the largest organization of women in the world.

For more details, contact your local County Extension Agent. FCE clubs are sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, a part of the Texas A & M University System.

## Haskell County farmers and ranchers support tax reforms for education funding

Farmers and ranchers in Haskell County support tax reforms to better fund Texas education and share the burden that now falls primarily on property owners.

The property tax is pretty well taped out as a source of education funding. It needs to be partly replaced with a broad based tax that is much closer to the economic activity of the state.

Homeowners, farmers, ranchers and capital intensive businesses currently carry much of the tax load, while many businesses in an increasingly service-oriented economy mostly dodge the tax bullet.

Farmers and ranchers may have agricultural use value on their property, but property taxes are still a burden.

According to figures compiled by the Texas Farm Bureau, agriculture pays more than twice the property taxes than the industry's portion of the gross state product justifies.

Without agricultural use valuation, many farmers would have to go out of business. Many parts of Texas will not grow enough cotton, grain or beef to pay taxes at market value.

Another issue is the ability of the property tax to keep up with

the growing funding needs of Texas schools. Agriculture persons are concerned that the property tax can no longer do the job. State wide, the tax base has declined by six percent in the last 10 years while taxes have more than doubled.

Some suggest that a broad based business tax would more closely track economic activity and be a fairer way of distributing the burden of education taxes.

This is a major change in Texas tax policy, and that makes some folks nervous, but in fairness, it's time for more businesses to shoulder part of the load of educating our kids.

## Local athletes named to TABC, ARN basketball teams

Casey Burgess, a 6-6 Haskell Indian senior, has been chosen to the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches all state-second team.

The TABC also named its all-region teams which included Burgess and Matthew McCord, a 5-10 Sr.

The Abilene Reporter-News has

also announced their Big Country Players of the Year. Players were picked for their contributions to their teams' basketball season.

Named to the boys Class 2A first team were Burgess, McCord, and Carl Riley, a 5-10 Sr.

The Haskell standouts led the 28-4 Indians to the District 9-2A

title and to the Region II-2A tournament championship game.

Burgess averaged 18.2 points, 10.1 rebounds and 3.1 blocked shots per game and was the district's MVP. He made 60.2 percent from the field and 60 percent from the free throw line.

Riley scored 10.1 points a game and averaged six steals and seven

assists. He was voted Defensive Player of the Year in the district.

McCord averaged 18.6 points, seven rebounds, four assists and three steals. He shot 48 percent from the field, 42 percent from the 3-point range, and 75 percent from the foul line. He was a unanimous first-team all-district pick.

Wendy Gray, a 5-4 Junior Haskell Maiden, and Shayne McKenzie, 6-1 Sophomore, were named to the girls second team by the Abilene Reporter-News.

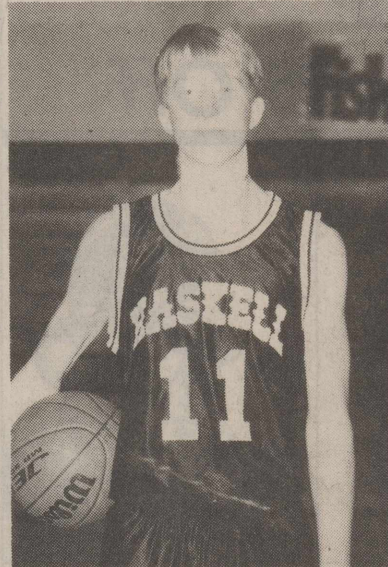
Burgess was also named to the All-Big Country Super Team selected by the Abilene Reporter-News.



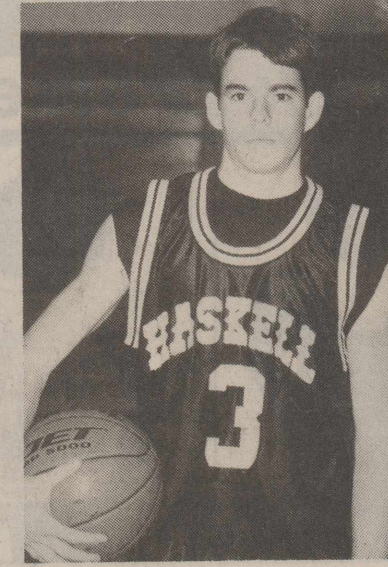
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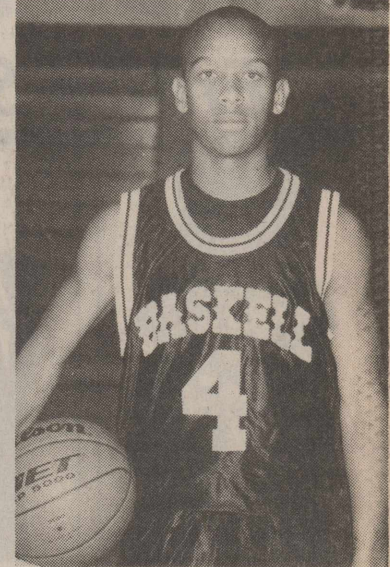
WENDY GRAY



CASEY BURGESS



MATTHEW McCORD



CARL RILEY

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# Farm Safety Day Camp set May 10

Knox County will host a Day Camp, which is being locally sponsored by the Texas


Agricultural Extension Service-Knox County. The camp, which teaches children to be aware of safety hazards on the farm, will be held Sat., May 10, from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. at the Munday High School in Munday.

The deadline for registration is April 28. The \$10 pre-registration covers all camp activities, lunch, refreshments and a camp T-Shirt. On site registration is \$15 and for families of 3 or more youth pre-registering a family discount of \$25 will be charged. So that each child can receive personal attention, attendance will be limited to 150 campers, ages 3rd grade through 8th grade. For registration information, contact Jane Rowan at 817/454-2651.

Hands-on demonstrations will cover such topics as fire safety, tractor and equipment safety, electrical safety, basic first aid, chemical protection, PTO/Cotton Stripper Entanglement, grain explosions and shop equipment safety.

"We knew that farm families were concerned about safety, but even we were surprised by the overwhelming response to our camps," said *Progressive Farmer* Editor Jack Odle. "After holding 16 day camps in 1995 and 76 in 1996, we now have 150 scheduled for 1997. And our sponsors are just as enthusiastic as our readers. Companies like Shell Lubricants, Farm Plan, Pioneer, DuPont, AbCO, Gold Kist, Smith & Wesson and Mossberg have made it possible for us to reach a lot of kids. Our goal is to prevent dangerous accidents altogether."

This summer, *Progressive Farmer* will hold safety camps in 31 states. *Progressive Farmer* is published by Southern Progress Corp., which also publishes *Southern Living*, *Southern Accents*, *Cooking Light*, *Weight Watchers*, and *Coastal Living* magazines.



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## Obituaries

### Selma Thane Buerger

Services were held for Selma Thane Buerger, 92 of Stamford Tues., March 25 in the Bethel Lutheran Church in Ericksdahl with the Rev. Kent Wallace officiating. Burial was in Highland Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Kinney Funeral Home.

Mrs. Buerger died Sun., March 23 at a Stamford nursing home.

Born Aug. 4, 1904 in the New Hope community, Mrs. Buerger was the daughter of the late Hermann Friedrich Wilhelm and Henriette Charlotte Emshoff Thane. She was a lifelong resident of the Stamford area. She met Friedrich Wilhelm Buerger in Indiana in 1923, and they married Dec. 31, 1925 in Sagerton. After their marriage, they settled on a farm in the Ericksdahl community and moved to Stamford in 1955.

She was a member of the Bethel Lutheran Church and

active in the Bethel Lutheran Women's Organization and the Haskell County Homemaking Club.

She was preceded in death by her husband, one daughter Alma Polk Burnham and three grandsons, Larry Buerger, Craig Buerger and Douglas LeFevre.

Survivors include two sons, Willie Buerger of Haskell and Walter Buerger of Stamford; one daughter, Bonnie Lefevre of Stamford; two sisters, Dora Bergstrom and Elsie Schaake of Haskell; fourteen grandchildren and several great grandchildren and great great grandchildren.

Pallbearers were grandsons, Kenneth Buerger, Fritz Buerger, Steve Lefevre, David Lefevre, James Polk, Robert Polk, Mike Polk and Herman Polk.

Memorials may be made to the Bethel Lutheran Church Memorial Fund or the Alzheimer's Association.

### Robert Donnell McCall

Memorial services were held for Rev. Robert Donnell McCall, 70, of Montreat, N.C. Sun., March 16 in Gaither's Chapel of the Montreat Presbyterian Church. Graveside services were held Mon., March 17 at the Decatur Cemetery, Decatur, Ga. Arrangements were under the direction of Penland Funeral Home.

Rev. McCall died Sat., March 15 after a long fight with Multiple Myeloma. Born Feb. 11, 1927 in San Saba, he graduated from Bob Jones University and received Theological Degrees from Columbia Theological Seminary, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary and Fuller Seminary. He served with distinction as a Presbyterian Missionary in Japan and Taiwan for 40 years. He was the recipient of the

Columbia Theological Seminary Distinguished Alumni Service Award in 1991. He was married to Virginia Montgomery McCall, who died in 1990.

Survivors include his wife, Jessie Junkin McCall; one daughter, Frances M. Rosenbluth of Hamden, CT, two sons, Dr. Robert D. McCall, Jr. of Sanford, N.C., and Roy K. McCall of Beijing, China; one sister, Rosalie Cunningham of Arvada, CO, and four grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the evangelism and theological education in the Far East, c/o World Wide Ministries Division, Presbyterian Church, USA, 100 Witherspoon St., Louisville, KY 40202.

### Eldon 'Andy' Anderson



ANDY ANDERSON

Eldon (Andy) Anderson, 76, of Haskell died Sat., March 22, at Hendrick Health System. Services were held Mon. March 24 in the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Jim Turner officiating and the Rev. Vergil Smith assisting. Burial was in Highland Cemetery in Stamford, directed by Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Son of Roy and Essie Anderson, Andy was born in Rule. He attended school in Mineral Wells

and Sagerton. During the Depression, he joined the Civilian Conservation Corps and on May 8, 1941, he enlisted in the Army Air Corps. He was a top turret gunner in the 44th Bomb Division of the 67th Bomb Squadron stationed in England.

On May 25, 1944, his plane was shot down over France, and he was captured by the Germans. During his year imprisonment, he spent 21 days in solitary confinement. As a POW, he walked in the death march from Feb. 6-May 5, 1945, as the Germans fled from the Russians. Andy was liberated on May 12, 1945. The young tech sergeant was discharged on Oct. 17, 1945, moved to the Stamford area and married his high school sweetheart Edna Schroeder on Aug. 2, 1945. They moved to Haskell in 1962 and owned Anderson Tire Co. for 27 years until Andy retired in 1989.

Andy was a member of the First Baptist Church in Haskell and attended the Businessmen's Sunday School Class. He was an active member of the Haskell Country Club, the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Stamford, the Disabled Veterans Association, the American EX

POW's West Central Texas Chapter 1 Association and the Rogers-Cox American Legion Post #221 of Haskell. He was a 50-year member of the post, twice serving as commander. Other offices held were vice commander, finance officer, historian and chaplain. Andy was a former member of the Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club International.

An avid golfer, Andy loved sports. His favorite players were his grandsons and the Dallas Cowboys. He also loved to laugh, and he often said the best way to get through life is to act like you're having a good time and to keep your eye on your goal. Andy enjoyed nurturing his family. Throughout his life, he gave stability and character not only to his wife and two daughters but also to his sisters and grandsons, as well. His gentle, caring ways will always be remembered by those who knew him.

Survivors include his wife of Haskell; two daughters, Judy Anderson of Dallas and Jo Nell Trammell of Haskell; two sisters, Bobbie Greiner of Joshua and Doris (Bunnie) Robertson of Joshua; and two grandchildren, Will Trammell of Haskell. Betty Mickler, a sister, preceded him in death.

Pallbearers were Bob Aycock, Kenneth Campbell, Larry Cunningham, Bob Earles, Dan Griffith, Bill Trammell, R.V. Earles, Charles Owens, Gene Plunkett and Abe Turner.

Honorary pallbearers were the Businessmen's Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church, members of Rogers-Cox Post #221 of the American Legion and the American EX POW's WCT Chapter 1.

Memorials may be sent to the Haskell CISD Education Fund or the American Leukemia Society.

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BART AND TAMMY PARHAM

## Anderson, Parham repeat vows in Vera

Tammy Anderson of Haskell and (Kyle) Bart Parham of Vera were united in marriage Sat., March 8 at the Parham farm in Vera. Dale Turner officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Opal Letterman of Haskell and the late Bill Letterman. The bridegroom is the son of Bill and Melba Parham of Vera.

The bride was attired in blue jeans, a white blouse and carried a bouquet of bluebonnets, red roses and daisies wrapped with a bandana. Maids of honor were Tabitha Coker and Andrea Anderson, daughters of the bride. They were dressed in blue denim jeans and denim vests. They carried bluebonnets and a rose with a bandana around the flowers.

Best man was Zach Parham, brother of the groom.

A reception was held at the

## Garden Club meets

The Haskell Garden Club met at the home of the president, Wilma Pruet March 13, at 2 o'clock. Marion Carlisle was the program director. The theme for the program was "Cottage Gardens."

Marion Carlisle using drought resistant plants told about English Cottage Gardens. Ozelle Frierson told about plants to bring the butterflies to your garden, and Mona Gibson told about birds that love your garden.

## Child Care Providers meet

Haskell-Jones County Child Care Providers met at the Stamford Head Start March 10. Part two "Stress Management" of a three part series for professionalism was presented by trainer Mary Daniel from People of Progress, Inc. Child Care Training Services of Sweetwater.

Following the presentation, a pot luck meal was enjoyed by Haskell caregivers, Laura Andress and Lois Howard, Sherry Ellis of Knox City, Matilda Koonsman of Throckmorton.

Attending from Stamford were Sandra Rhea, Sabrina McKinney, Jeanie Bennett, Skeet Dennis, Lola Lowe, Millie Gomez, Nina McClintock, Emilia Alvarado, and Lisa Bustamante. From Hamlin: Sonia Ramon, Maria Franco, Darla Clawson, Brandi Lee and Tiffney Riggs. Abilene visitors included Debra Jones, Vaughn Owen and Tammy DeFoor.

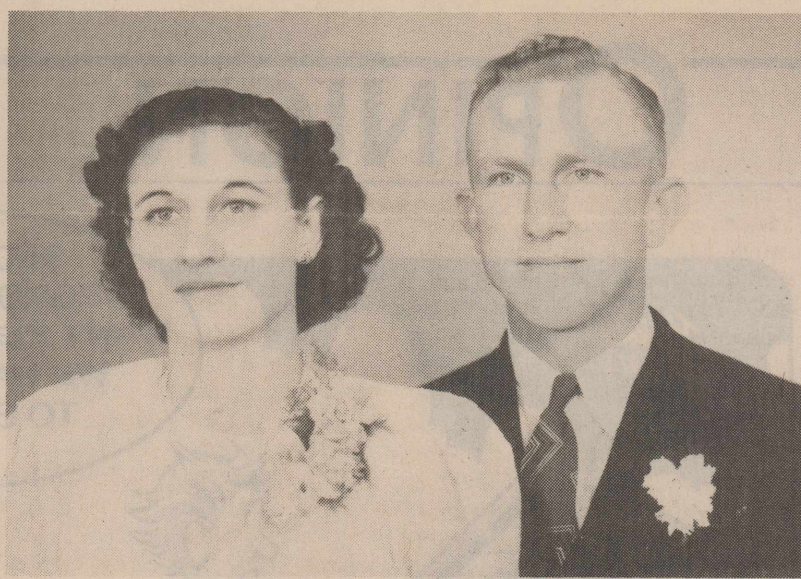
Next meeting will be April 8, at the home of Lola Lowe in Stamford. The last of the three part series will be presented by Mary Daniel, PPI of Sweetwater. Call 864-3870 for information.

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HELEN AND CLEMENT DUDSENSING

## Couple celebrates 50th anniversary

Clement and Helen Dudensing of Stamford were honored March 16 with a reception at their home in observance of their 50th wedding anniversary. The reception was hosted by their children, Kenneth and Becky Dudensing of Sweetwater, Glenn and Debbie Dudensing of Abilene, and Gene and Peggy Jones of Abilene. Their grandchildren served at the reception.

The couple was married Feb. 9,

1947 at the Faith Lutheran Church in Sagerton. They have farmed and lived in the Stamford area all of their lives.

Helen attended school in the Irby Community east of Haskell. Clement attended school at Old Glory.

Among the close friends and family attending the reception were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kretschmer who were attendants at Clement and Helen's wedding 50 years ago.

## Study Club hears 1996 'News Review' highlights

During their regular meeting March 13 at the City Hall Conference Room, members of Haskell Progressive Club enjoyed a program given by Myrtle Therwanger of Weinert. She was introduced by club president Kim Meredith.

Mrs. Therwanger presented a "News Review" of highlights of 1996 using excerpts of newspaper releases of happenings, statistics, and quotes from various clergymen, pollsters, health experts, and top scientists. Taking a philosophical look at both the immediate past and the immediate future, she gave practical tips for staying in step with our world, for making our time go further and for developing better attitudes toward the escalating negative conditions that abound, such as child abuse and teen crimes.

In a business session, the club voted to donate to the local Boys and Girls State representatives being sponsored by the American Legion. Letters thanking the club for donations were read from the Noah Project and Hospice of Abilene. Kim Meredith was named to be the club's official representative at the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs Mesquite District meeting to be held in Hamlin on March 22.

Using a St. Patrick's Day theme, hostesses Anita Herren, Kathleen Parsley, Eva Dunnam and Jill Druessedow served refreshments to 14 members and guest.

## Easter egg safety urged

by Lou Gilly  
County Extension Agent

As you prepare for the Easter tradition of decorating and hiding eggs, you need to keep safety in mind. Extension microbiologist Dr. Gary Acuff says one in 100-thousand eggs is contaminated. And he says over the past ten years or so we've seen a new form of Salmonella affecting eggs.

Instead of being on the shell, it's inside the yolk and the only way to get rid of it is to properly cook the egg. It's recommended eggs boil for at least seven minutes. Then once you've decorated the Easter eggs, put them in the refrigerator and leave them there until right before you plan to hide them.

Acuff says eggs should never be left out longer than two hours. This rule applies to deviled eggs, egg salad, and any other food item made with boiled eggs.

Extension poultry specialist Dr. Sarah Birkhold says be careful where you hide eggs so they don't come in contact with pets, reptiles, wildlife or lawn chemicals. She says any cracked egg should be thrown out.

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# OPINION

State Capital



## HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling  
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

State lawmakers last week continued with their search to find alternatives to the local school property tax that generates about \$10 billion in revenue each year.

Operating under a directive by Gov. George W. Bush, the House Select Committee on Revenue and Public Education Funding has been hearing from business people and individual taxpayers.

Bush wants to cut school property taxes by \$3 billion and make up for the lost revenue with a state sales tax hike and a new business activity tax. But he said some groups are voicing opposition to a new tax on business, while others are trying to protect their sales tax exemptions.

"The noise level is loud at the Capitol, because there are a lot of lobbyists who are paid a lot of money to protect the interests of those who pay no tax to the state of Texas, and that's not fair," the governor told the Texas Association of Home Builders, in a speech last week.

Rep. Paul Sadler, D-Henderson, chairman of the select committee, said he hopes the panel decides on a tax plan before the end of March.

**Senate OKs Managed-Care Bill**

Sen. David Sibley's bill that would hold managed health-care organizations liable for medical decisions was approved by the Senate last week.

The legislation, which moves to the House for consideration, would open up Texas managed-care organizations to malpractice lawsuits. If the legislation becomes law, Texas would be the first state in the nation to allow those providers to be sued for medical malpractice.

"What's so special that this industry should be treated differently from everybody else?" Sibley, R-Waco, asked during Senate debate.

"This bill is for Texans who have to fight to get the health care they have paid for years," he said. About 12 percent of Texans are enrolled in managed-care programs, Sibley said.

**Lotto Contract to Be Rebid**

The Texas Lottery Commission voted to accept new bids on the contract to operate the Texas Lottery.

Requests for bids will be submitted to potential bidders no later than June 30. Meanwhile, the state's contract with the current contractor, GTECH Holdings Corp. of New Jersey, remains in effect.

The Commission fired Lottery Director Nora Linares in January after learning that GTECH had hired her boyfriend, Mike Moeller, as a \$5,000-a-month consultant in 1992. Harriet Miers, chairwoman of the three-member commission, proposed that the contract be rebid, after questions arose as to how

GTECH conducts business.

Last spring, the commission voted to extend GTECH's contract for five years.

Marc Palazzo, a spokesman for GTECH, said the firm expects that the state "will act in good faith and honor the existing agreement."

Last week, the commission also decided to scrap a plan to consider using state employees to run the lottery. Miers said lawmakers told her they would not approve the hiring of additional employees that would be needed.

**False-Lien Bill Passes**  
Persons who use false court documents to harass others would face criminal penalties under a bill passed by the Texas Senate.

The bill, sponsored by Sen. Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, would stop the use of fake court records and property liens by groups such as the "Republic of Texas" to intimidate their adversaries. "This targets anybody who engages in these practices," Bivins said.

Republic of Texas members have filed false liens against government officials as part of their campaign to take Texas out of the United States.

**Redistricting Issue Resurfaces**

Gonzalo Barrientos, D-Austin, chairman of the Senate Redistricting Committee, warned fellow lawmakers against spending too much time on redistricting during this legislative session.

During a hearing, a few of Barrientos' colleagues said they favor redrawing boundaries where cities and communities have been split into one or more districts.

Barrientos urged against wholesale changes in favor of minor, technical changes, as set forth in two bills he has filed that would keep the Senate and congressional districts the same for the next election.

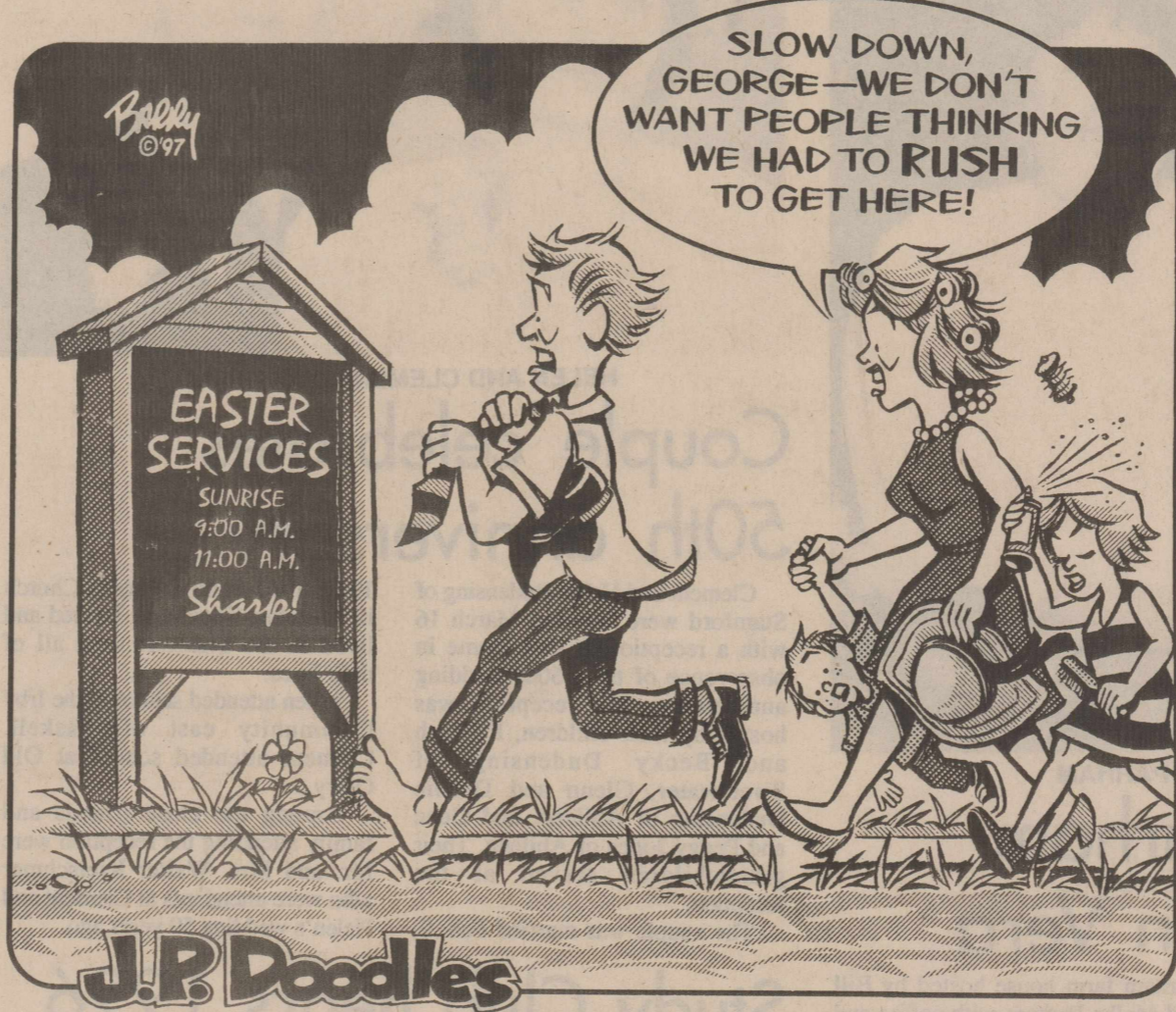
A Houston federal court redrew 13 of the state's 30 congressional districts after the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that three of the districts were racially gerrymandered.

Lawmakers have until June 30 to draw new congressional boundaries or ratify the court-ordered plan.

**Other Capital Highlights**

The Senate passed legislation that would require doctors to inform a teen-age girl's parents 48 hours before she could get an abortion. The bill by Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, assigns punishments of up to a year in jail and fines of up to \$4,000 to doctors who perform abortions without notifying parents.

The Texas House passed a bill that would allow the University of Texas to add an additional upper deck to Royal-Memorial stadium, although the construction would violate a state law protecting views of the Capitol.



## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

**10 Years Ago**  
March 26, 1987

The Haskell-California Creek Land/Range and Pasture contests were held in Haskell. First place winners in the land contest was Weinert, Anson came in second, and Haskell placed third. In the range and pasture contest Haskell placed first, Paint Creek second, and Haskell #2 team came in third.

Julie Roewe had been chosen to be in the Abilene Reporter News All-Area Basketball team. Receiving honorable mentions were Kay Fischer of Paint Creek and Mark Young of Haskell for the All-Area boys team.

**20 Years Ago**  
March 24, 1977

Named to the All-Star little dribbler team for the 9-10 yr. old league were: Shane Hadaway, Shawn Lane, Steven Boyd, Shane Gilliam, Keith Parrott, Randy Roewe, Lex Weatherly, Shawn Chambers, David Adams, and Robert Ivy, alternates were Tim Johnson and Andy Griffith.

Joseph Eddie Brass of Rule High School received a \$500 aerospace engineering scholarship to Texas A & M University during the annual Junior Engineering Technical Society (JETS) meeting this week.

**30 Years Ago**  
March 23, 1967

The Possum Kingdom Relays attracted a large number of schools and athletes from all over Northern Texas. The Haskell Indians placed 8th with 21 points in Division 1.

Cheerleaders for the 1967-68 season were Kathy Burson, Marijane McAdoo, Carolyn Rhoads, Judy Jeter, Jo Nell Anderson and Paula Mayfield.

Army specialist Four Robert L. Bradley, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bradley of Munday, arrived in Vietnam with his unit, the 1st Howitzer Battalion, 92nd Artillery.

**40 Years Ago**  
March 28, 1957

A domino tournament and barbeque supper was held at Paint Creek Rural High School, sponsored by the Senior Class. Following the barbeque supper games of domino, forty-two and canasta were played.

"The Haskell Story" adapted from the "History of Haskell County" written by the late R.E. Sherrill was to be filmed. The picture was being produced by the Public Relations Committee of the Haskell Chamber of Commerce.

Mrs. James Frank Cadenhead has qualified to compete in the Abilene Regional Finals of the Mrs. America contest. The women were judged on cooking, baking, sewing,

ironing, family meal planning, personal attractiveness, poise, personality, family life and contribution to the community.

**50 Years Ago**  
March 27, 1947

The Haskell County Vocational School for Veterans this week received shop machinery and equipment. The equipment was secured through the War Assets Administration, J. Weldon Young, coordinator of the Haskell County School said.

Some businesses in existence in 1947 included Pitman Motor Company, The Booterie, L.B. Ferguson Cabinet Shop, Atkeison's Food Store, Helber's Jewelers, Jones Dry Goods, Perkins Timberlake, Clover Farm Store, Brazelton Lumber Company.

**99 Years Ago**  
March 26, 1898

W.M. Towns found some money on the street last Sunday and says the owner can get it by describing and paying for the advertising charges.

We are pleased to note that the cemetery fence is being put up this week.

War with Spain seems more imminent, following disclosure of several facts concerning the sinking of the U.S. Maine in the harbor at Cuba recently.

## Legal Matters

By Attorney General Dan Morales

**Elder Law: A Growing Field**

As your Attorney General, I have been increasingly involved in issues that affect senior Texans; the quality of long-term care, the prosecution of elder abuse, Medicaid fraud control, and consumer fraud that targets elders. I believe we owe our senior citizens respect, protection and the highest standard of care.

In the private sector, the legal profession has seen the emergence of a new specialty: elder law. Elder law differs from traditional legal specialties in which the lawyer focuses on one body of law (taxes, insurance, criminal law, etc.). Instead, the practice of elder law covers all potential specialties that affect one particular group of people—senior citizens—many of whom live on a fixed income.

If you are a senior Texas, or if you are concerned about an elderly friend or family member, perhaps you have considered hiring an attorney. The following information may help you to decide whether an elder law specialist would be right for you.

**Why is this new field growing?**

In part, the growth mirrors changes in our population. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, 33 million Americans are now over age 65, or roughly 13 percent of the nation's population. The fastest growing segment of this group is people over age 85. According to a report by the U.S. Senate Committee on Aging, nearly half of all senior citizens

will spend time in a nursing home. While many of these stays are brief, such as for recovery after surgery, many others involve long-term residence.

The field of elder law covers a wide and growing range of topics. In addition to their traditional work in probate, wills, and trust and estate planning, elder law specialists are now involved in such diverse areas as:

- planning for disability or incapacity through living wills, living trusts, and durable power of attorney documents
- establishing eligibility for Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid benefits
- long-term care, including patients' rights, quality of care, and long-term care insurance
- elder fraud and abuse
- grandparents' visitation rights
- age discrimination at work
- housing problems (mortgages, housing discrimination, etc.)
- conservatorships and guardianships
- retirement and pension benefits.

**Should you retain an elder law specialist?**  
Begin by asking if you have a problem that requires the services of an attorney, or if in fact you have a social services or medical question. If you are not sure, ask trusted friend, your clergy, or a social worker for advice. You may also call the Legal Hotline for Older Texans at (800) 622-2520 (477-3950 in Travis County) for a free over-the-phone consultation. Staff at the Legal Hotline can help

you decide whether your problem merits retaining the services of an attorney.

Ask for referrals from local senior citizen groups, your clergy, other attorneys, and social service agencies. While the State Bar of Texas does not certify elder law specialists, its lawyer referral service (800 252-9690) will provide you with the name of attorneys in your area for your consideration.

Before retaining an attorney, ask for references, and check them out thoroughly. Ask how much experience the attorneys have, and about the aspects of elder law that they regularly deal with. Ask about the fee you will be charged.

**Planning for the future**  
Senior citizens share common concerns: quality of life and control over their affairs as they grow older, the threat of serious illness and steep medical bills, maintaining an adequate income, and safeguarding the interests of loved ones. Unfortunately, most of us cannot know which of these concerns will be the biggest challenge we face in old age. Many elder law attorneys report that clients come to them during times of crisis. It is wise to plan as far ahead as possible before the need arises.

For more information on choosing an elder law attorney, write to the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys at 1604 N. Country Club Road, Tucson, Arizona 85716, or call them at (520) 881-4005. You may also access this information on the Internet at <http://www.naela.com>.

## Smokeless tobacco is expensive

by Lou Gilly

Haskell Co. Ext. Agent  
If you bought a can of smokeless tobacco every day last year, you spent approximately \$1,260. What will you do with that money in your pocket this year? What can the youth of our communities who are taking up the habit do with \$1,260?

Does that sound a little far-fetched? 4-H participants in the Smokeless Tobacco Prevention Youth Peer Education Pilot Program in Fort Bend County conducted observational surveys at major livestock shows in 1996. Twenty-five percent of minors were chewing, dipping, spitting or carrying smokeless tobacco products at one show, and 28 percent of minors were involved with smokeless tobacco products at the other. That translates into 1 in 4 youth were observed using smokeless tobacco products.

"Tobacco products are bad for our health," said Teresa Smith, Extension associate for family development and resource management. "Nicotine is among the chemicals and additives in tobacco that make you want more. It is in all smokeless tobacco products, such as chewing tobacco and snuff. Smokeless tobacco products also cause cancers of the head, face and neck, and heart disease," she said.

Research is proving that there is an increase of smokeless tobacco use among the youth of our nation. One of the strongest predictors of smokeless tobacco use among young people is their association with people who use smokeless tobacco products.

"What kind of influence do you have on our youth?" asked Smith. "Until recently, smokeless tobacco has been considered a relatively harmless tobacco because the nicotine in smokeless tobacco is absorbed directly into the blood stream. Individuals who decide to quit the tobacco habit, regardless of the reason, face the challenge of addiction."

Visible warning signs of health problems with the smokeless tobacco user include a condition in the user's mouth called leukoplakia, or white patches, that are potentially precancerous. A dentist or hygienist can point out the existing leukoplakia and instruct the patient on how to find new patches as they occur.

"The cost to your health and pocketbook should encourage you to quit using smokeless tobacco," she said. "Visit your dentist for a full oral exam; ask your dentist for information on nicotine reduction therapies. Learn from others who have quit and even those who have tried to quit."

A copy of the Smokeless Tobacco Prevention Youth Peer Education Program can be found at the county Extension Office.

## Moving? Notify Social Security

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.

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**HASKELL INDIANS**—Members of the Haskell Indian baseball team include front row, left to right: John Abila, Jim Crawford, Corey Breckel, Greg Rodriguez, Chancey Pogue, Michael Rodriguez,

Will Trammell, and Coach Jim Morris. Back row: Jason Hobgood, Chris McSmith, Nick Jimenez, Joe Salinas, Matt Blanks, Timmy Macias, and Turner Frierson. Photo by Bill Blankenship

## Poison prevention packaging saves lives

by Lou Gilly  
Haskell Co. Extension Agent

Children are curious creatures with an ample amount of persistence. When it comes to opening a container if their fingers won't work, their teeth might.

The Poison Prevention Packaging Act requires that packages be difficult for children under five to open and obtain a toxic amount within what's termed a reasonable time.

U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission regulations require that aspirin and other products be packaged in special containers which would prevent at least 80 percent of those children tested

### Know how to treat snake bites

In Westerns, cowboys bitten by poisonous snakes cut into the bite with their knives and sucked out the venom. Of course, Hollywood cowboys didn't have today's medical understanding of how to treat snake bites.

Dr. Kathleen Delaney, associate professor of emergency medicine at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, says there is no reason for incision and suction, and placing ice on the bite can cause more damage.

"We recommend that you tie a loose band about two inches above the bite to slow down absorption of the venom," Delaney says. "Immobilize the extremity, keep the limb down and get to a hospital emergency department immediately."

If possible, get a good description of the snake because emergency room physicians can treat some bites with an antivenom if they know what type of snake bit you. Five to fifteen people die from poisonous snake bites each year in the United States.

### Mr. Mom trend is over says report

There's no more Mr. Mom. The Census Bureau reports the trend we saw in the early 1990's of fathers staying home with their children is over. In fact, it says it wasn't so much of a trend of as it was the result of bad economic times.

Still, Extension Family Life Specialist Dr. Dorothy James says fathers are taking more of an interest in caring for their kids. She says fathers are no longer looked upon as just being a provider. They are expected to share the nurturing role with mothers.

James says parenting classes need to adapt to accommodate the changing times and approach teaching from a man's perspective.

She says classes for fathers are now being offered at work sites and around events where dads feel more comfortable. With almost ten million preschool children in day care, family time is at a premium. That makes the roles of both parents that much more important.

Submitted by Lou Gilly, Haskell Co. Ext. Agent—FCS.

from opening the container during a 10-minute period.

"This means that some children may still be able to open and obtain a toxic amount of the product," said Janet Pollard, Extension associate health. "Therefore keep poisonous substances out of reach."

Adults can find child-resistant packaging on products such as aspirin, liquid furniture polish, oil of wintergreen, drain cleaners, lighter fluids, turpentine and paint solvents, Pollard said.

Remember these steps to use child-resistant packaging properly:

- Read the instructions to make it easier to open the packaging.
- Be sure to resecure the closure tightly. Never transfer the contents to other containers.
- Do not leave loose pills anywhere.

- Keep medicines and household products (even those with safety caps) out of sight.

Each home should follow these guidelines regardless of whether there are small children in the home.

Poisonings do occur in homes where small children are visiting, Pollard said.

With the advent of child-resistant packaging, about 700 children have been saved. This number relates to aspirin and oral prescription medicines, she said.

## Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Jason Torres was home from Lubbock for the weekend visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Joel Torres.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Bryan McCallum from Oklahoma City visited his mother Audree McCallum in Rice Spring Care Home and Charles McCaulley in Hendricks Hospital.

Brian Brzozowski of Arlington spent the weekend with parents Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Brzozowski.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Fidel Salinas this weekend was their son Michael Salinas and a friend, Travis Mayer from Hardin Simmons.

Elsie Mayen and daughter Kimberly of Bryan are spending the week with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ruiz and her in-laws Mr. and Mrs. Hernandez.

David Fischer of Plano spent Tuesday night with Herbert and Henrietta Fischer. Sunday, their daughter Carolyn Sagebeil of Seguin came to spend a week with the Fischers. She is a school teacher and was on spring break.

On March 21 and 22 the Abilene Area Square and Round Dance Association had their 15th Annual Spring Spree at the Wagon Wheel in Tye doing the square dance calling was Bud Caldwell of Georgetown and Dick and Karen Fischer of Bryan did the round dance calling.

Bernice Hilliard spent the weekend in Abilene visiting sister-

in-law Ellen Hilliard and Jean Ballard and attended both night of square dancing.

Lona Mae Phelps of Haskell went to Coleman to visit her brother and his wife Oman and Wilma Sanders over the weekend. Also visiting in their home this weekend was Darwin and Ethel Slade of Eagar, Arizona; Walter, Sue and Kade Cox of Omaha; Rocky and Marsha Sanders of Abilene and Darrell, Sunday and Texas Marie Sanders of Coleman.

Walter and Sue Cox of Omaha and their grandson Kade Cox of Daingerfield visited his mother Mrs. Lindsey Cox of Haskell this weekend to help her celebrate her birthday.

Bill Wiseman, Temple, visited in Haskell over the weekend with his sister Emma Bland and friends, Wilbert and Dwanna Klose.

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## Putnam School schedules homecoming March 29

The Putnam Ex-Teachers and Students Association has set March 29, as the date of their next homecoming. The class of 1946 and the class of 1947 will be honored.

Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. at the Putnam School Building with a general session set for 1:30 p.m. Conrad Buchanan will be master of ceremonies.

A brisket lunch catered by Ray Green's Deuschlander Freshwater Catfish Co. will be served at 11:30

a.m. Cost of the lunch is \$5.50. Reservations can be made with Mary Green, 915-662-3631 or LaVerne Rutherford, 915-854-1001. Deadline for reservations is March 27. A limited number of tickets will be available at the door.

The Putnam Post Office is offering a pictorial cancellation featuring the homecoming, available that day or by mail. For more information contact: Postmaster, Putnam, TX 76469-9998, or telephone 915-662-3806.

## Food for thought

by Charles H. Spurgeon  
"In that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit."

Luke 10:21

The Saviour was "a man of sorrows," but every thoughtful mind has discovered the fact that down deep in His innermost soul He carried an inexhaustible treasury of refined and heavenly joy. Of all the human race, there was never a man who had a deeper, purer, or more abiding peace than our Lord Jesus Christ. "He was anointed with the oil of gladness above His fellows." His vast benevolence must, from the very nature of things, have afforded Him the deepest possible delight, for benevolence is joy.

There were a few remarkable seasons when this joy manifested itself. "At that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit, and said, I thank Thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth." Christ had His songs, though it was night with Him; though His face was marred, and His countenance had lost the lustre of earthly happiness, yet sometimes it was lit up with a matchless

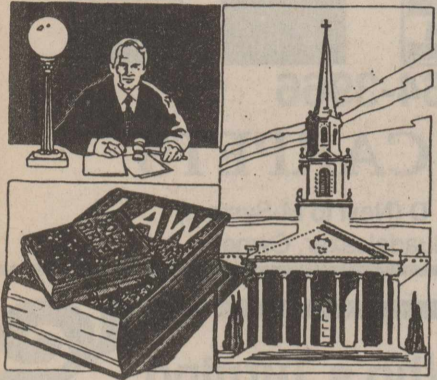
splendor of unparalleled satisfaction, as He thought upon the recompense of the reward, and in the midst of the congregation sang his praise unto God.

In this, the Lord Jesus is a blessed picture of his church on earth. At this hour the church expects to walk in sympathy with her Lord along a thorny road; through much tribulation she is forcing her way to the crown. To bear the cross is her office, and to be scorned and counted an alien by her mother's children is her lot; and yet the church has a deep well of joy, of which none can drink but her own children.

There are stores of wine, and oil, and corn, hidden in the midst of our Jerusalem, upon which the saints of God are evermore sustained and nurtured; and sometimes, as in our Saviour's case, we have our seasons of intense delight, for "There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of our God." Exiles though we be, we rejoice in our King; yea, in Him we exceedingly rejoice, while in His name we set up our banners.

submitted by Sam Bitner

## This Week's Devotional Message: OUR FINEST LAWS HAD THEIR ORIGIN IN THE BIBLE



From the dawn of civilization, mankind has always managed to devise some system of laws designed to protect the citizens from each other. However, no one has ever surpassed the principles upon which the rules of conduct presented throughout the Bible were based: love, respect for the rights of others, morality and the right combination of justice and forgive-

ness. The laws by which we as a free nation live today are but adaptations of these age-old principles which need no improvement. At the Church of your choice you will learn that good citizens should obey the laws of the land, because in our free society they do not conflict in any way with the laws of God which are explained in such great detail throughout the Scriptures.

### 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**  
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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

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- Paint Creek Baptist Church**  
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Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
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Rev. Joyce Goossen and Rev. Diane Crownover  
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#### 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.  
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#### Faith Chapel of Rochester

- Katherine Byrd, minister  
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m.  
Hwy 6, Rochester
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Dolan Brinson, pastor  
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.  
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- First Baptist Church**  
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Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
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- West Bethal Baptist Church**  
Rev. Robert Sweet  
Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.  
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## Haskell School Menu

### March 31-April 4 Breakfast

Juice or milk and fruit are served daily in the breakfast menu.  
**Monday:** Cereal, cinnamon toast  
**Tuesday:** Breakfast burrito  
**Wednesday:** Pancakes and syrup  
**Thursday:** Biscuits and gravy, sausage  
**Friday:** Cereal, buttered toast and jelly

### Lunch

A choice of baked potato with choice of toppings or salad bar plus milk and tea are offered daily at the

High School. Milk and juice are served daily at the Elementary School.

**Monday:** Sloppy joes, French fries, pickle spears, peach cobbler  
**Tuesday:** Pizza, cole slaw, buttered corn on cob, fruit jello  
**Wednesday:** Frito bag, pinto beans, tossed salad, buttered cornbread, diced pears  
**Thursday:** Chicken nuggets, gravy, creamed potatoes, seasoned green beans, buttered hot rolls, fruit salad  
**Friday:** Hamburger, French fries, hamburger trimmings, brownies

## Civic Center Memorials

The following memorials have been made to the Haskell Memorial Civic Center.

- Bonnie Anderson: HHS Class of 1961.
- Tom Anderson: HHS Class of 1961.
- Winfred Andress: Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Johnson.
- Hubert Bell: HHS Class of 1961.
- Slover and Mae Bledsoe: HHS Class of 1961.
- Betty Brewer: Nevada Hammer.
- Dale Burris: Anita Herren.
- Linda Burris: Anita Herren.
- Julia Callaway: Employees of Bill Wilson Motor Co.
- R. C. Couch, Jr.: Jerrene Couch; Mary Couch Ogilvie.

- Juanita Cunningham: Employees of Bill Wilson Motor Co.
- Desmond Dulaney: Employees of Bill Wilson Motor Co.; Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Johnson.
- Ramla Lee Frazier: Anita Herren.
- Alfred Hartsfield: Anita Herren.
- Eunice Helweg: HHS Class of 1961.
- Pauline Herd: Jerrene Couch; Anita Herren.
- Ottie Johnson: Carolyn Everett.
- Helen Oates: Ann Harbison; Bill and Delilah Harbison; Mrs. Raynold Harbison.
- Alvin Sherman: HHS Class of 1961.
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## Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 929 head of cattle at its sale on Sat. March 22 according to Gary Tate, reporter.

Packer cows were \$1-\$2 higher, bred cows and pairs were \$25 higher, 500 lbs. and under \$3-\$4 higher.

Cows: fat, .38-.43; cutters, .35-.45; canners, .25-.38.

Bulls: bologna, .44-.52; feeder, .55-.68; utility, .35-.44.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .88-1.07; 300-400 lbs., .77-.98; 400-500 lbs., .76-.93; 500-600 lbs., .68-.90;

600-700 lbs., .65-.85; 700-800 lbs., .62-.70; 800-up lbs., .55-.65.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .72-.92; 300-400 lbs., .67-.77; 400-500 lbs., .63-.735; 500-600 lbs., .58-.68; 600-up lbs., .55-.66.

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Photo by Bill Blankenship

## Safeguard your Social Security records to insure your benefits

Because Social Security is automatically deducted from your paycheck, you may not realize that there are other steps you should take to assure that the money will be there for you when you retire, or if you become disabled, and to your family if should die.

When you work, your employer deducts the Social Security taxes from your paycheck, adds a matching amount, and sends the taxes to Internal Revenue Service and a report to the Social Security Administration. By the end of January, you should receive a W-2 form stating the amount of wages the employer paid you during the year that you can use to file your own income tax return. If you do not receive the statement, you should contact the employer.

When you receive your W-2 form, check it for the correct name and Social Security number. Compare the number and name shown on the W-2 with the

information on your Social Security card. Report any discrepancies to your employer and local Social Security office right away. Uncredited earnings could adversely affect your future eligibility for benefits, as well as your benefit amount.

You should protect your Social Security number, the key to your Social Security account. The nine digit number identifies your account and permits Social Security to credit your account correctly. If you lose the card, you can generally get a duplicate with a phone call. You should show your Social Security card to your employer when you start a job.

You should be sure to keep your Social Security record up to date. If, because of marriage, divorce, adoption, etc., you change the name you use for work or other official business, be sure to apply for a corrected Social Security card. And once you make the change, be

sure to use the name consistently for work, banking, and filing income tax returns.

Finally, Social Security suggest that you check the earnings credited to your account at least once every three years. You can keep track of your account easily by calling and requesting a Personal Earnings and Benefit Estimate Statement (PEBES). If there is an error in your earnings, you should contact Social Security as soon as possible. If you have the necessary documents showing your earnings, the correction can actually be made online. If you wait longer than three years, it may be difficult to correct the earnings record using the employer's records.

It's important that you recognize your responsibility to safeguard your Social Security account. The bottom line is that it may be your bottom line when you are ready to retire, or if you become disabled or die.

## Parents are often first to recognize childhood eye problems

Parents are often the first line of defense in preventing childhood eye problems.

While some deficiencies can be detected before a newborn leaves the hospital, other conditions, including misalignment of the eyes or strabismus, take time to develop.

"Misalignment of the eyes is the

most common, potentially serious pediatric vision problem we see," said Dr. Paul Steinkuller, an assistant professor of ophthalmology at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "It occurs in two to four percent of the pediatric population."

Although some misalignment of the eyes can be normal in infants during the first six months of life, if the condition persists, parents should have the infant examined by a pediatrician.

"Heredity factors are the cause for some cases of strabismus, but it could also be caused by farsightedness, damage to nerves in the eye or a tumor in the eye," said Steinkuller. "If not corrected at an early age, it could lead to loss of vision in one eye."

"Surgery is usually required if the problem is caused by nerve damage or a tumor," said Steinkuller. "Glasses will often realign the eyes in a child who has strabismus caused by

farsightedness."

Parents should also be aware of how an infant "fixes and follows." As early as six weeks of age, a baby with healthy eyes will be able to follow a parent's eyes and hands as they move. If this is not happening, parents should consult a doctor.

Even if parents do not notice problems with their child's vision, Steinkuller says it is vital that eye exams be part of an infant's regular check-ups at the pediatrician's office.

### Students in the News

The Admissions and Records Office at Texas State Technical College Sweetwater has released the President's Honor Roll for the Winter 1996 quarter. Students must earn a 4.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale to be recognized.

The following students are recognized for their academic excellence:

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few more nutrients - vitamins, minerals and fiber. Also the fruit purees may enhance other flavors in recipe such as prunes enhance chocolate, cinnamon and orange.

When modifying a recipe, substitute one-half as much of the chosen substitute of fat. For example, one-half cup of pureed prunes in place of one cup of butter. Also, egg whites or egg substitute instead of whole eggs, and graham cracker or chocolate

cookie crumb crusts in recipes that call for a higher fat pastry dough crust can help accomplish baked goods with less fat and thus less calories since fat provides one and one-fourth more calories per gram than does carbohydrate or protein. Call your local County Extension Agent-FCS, Lou Gilly, (817) 864-2546 for more ways of modifying recipes to decrease the fat content.

Submitted by Lou Gilly, Haskell Co. Ext. Agent

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## APRIL 1997

**Haskell Independent School District**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
*Denotes District Games		H.S. Baseball vs. Archer City Here <b>1</b> District Tennis Wichita Falls	Cheerleader Try-outs <b>2</b> District Tennis Wichita Falls	<b>3</b> Cheerleader Try-outs	H.S. Baseball vs. Quanah There <b>4</b> H.S. Track Meet Here	<b>5</b> H.S. Track Meet Here
<b>6</b> Daylight Savings begins	J.H. Tennis Olney <b>7</b> J.V. Baseball Quanah	District Golf <b>8</b> H.S. Baseball vs. Electra Here	<b>9</b> District Golf	<b>10</b> District H.S. Track Electra	<b>11</b> Bad Weather Day No School H.S. Baseball vs. Holliday - Here	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b>	J. H. Girls Track Meet <b>14</b> J.V. Baseball vs. Quanah - Here	<b>15</b> H.S. Baseball vs. Seymour - There	<b>16</b>	J.H. Boys Track Meet <b>17</b> H.S. UIL Concert UIL Sightreading	End of 5th Six Weeks <b>18</b> H. S. Baseball vs. Olney - Here Regional Qualifiers Meet	<b>19</b> Regional Qualifiers Meet Jr. Sr. Banquet
<b>20</b>	Beginning of 6th Six Weeks <b>21</b> Regional Tennis Boys Regional Golf Boys & Girls	H.S. Baseball vs. Hamlin - There <b>22</b> Regional Tennis Boys Regional Golf Boys & Girls	<b>23</b> Regional Tennis Girls	<b>24</b> Regional Tennis Girls Drum Major-Twirling Tryouts	<b>25</b> Regional Track Meet	<b>26</b> Stephenville Jr. High Band Stephenville Regional Track Meet
<b>27</b>	J.V. Baseball vs. Olney - There <b>28</b>	H.S. Baseball vs. Archer City - There <b>29</b>	<b>30</b>			

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**1600 METER RELAY WINNERS**—7th graders Eddie Guzman, Tyrone Billington, Kyle Michaels and Adam Diaz won first place in the 1600 meter relay at the Stamford Junior High Track Meet held March 20.  
Photo by Bill Blankenship

## Chickenpox vaccine available at most public health clinics

A vaccine for chickenpox (varicella) is now available at most public health clinics and from providers who receive publicly purchased vaccines, according to the Texas Department of Health (TDH). People who want their children inoculated should check to see when the vaccine will be available in their area.

"The chickenpox vaccine is highly effective," said Dr. David R. Smith, Texas Commissioner of Health. "In one chickenpox vaccine trial, 97 percent of the 7,000 children inoculated were protected against the disease," he said.

Initially, TDH recommends use of the chickenpox vaccine for children in these categories who have not had the disease:

- Children ages 12 months through 23 months
- 11-year-olds
- Youngsters 18 years old and younger who live with people at high risk from serious complications from chickenpox.

For the past decade, Texas has reported about 20,000 cases of

chickenpox annually. Although highly contagious, illness from chickenpox is generally mild and usually not life-threatening. But about 9,300 hospitalizations and 50 to 100 deaths are related to chickenpox annually, mostly in young children. From 1985 to 1994, Texas recorded 69 deaths associated with chickenpox.

The illness is transmitted by coughing and sneezing and through fluid from broken blisters. A person is contagious with chickenpox from one to two days before blisters or bumps appear until all lesions have dried, which usually takes four to five days.

Children 12 months to 12 years receive one inoculation; people age 13 and older receive two inoculations at least four weeks apart. Those who have had chickenpox do not need the vaccine.

"Most children will have few if any problems with the vaccine," said Smith. "For those who do, the injection site may be somewhat swollen and red. A child may be slightly sick at the stomach and tired and uncomfortable."

A routine chickenpox vaccination program in the United States would save \$384 million annually or \$5.40 for every dollar invested in the program, according to an article in the Feb., 1994 issue of the Journal of the American Medical Association.

## Critical consumer skills start at early age

Children are not born with money sense. Their attitudes and values about money are influenced by what they see, hear and learn at home and by their experiences in using money.

While in elementary school, youth are beginning to become aware of how today's decisions are related to tomorrow's results. They act out these concepts by playing store, earning money for specific jobs beyond their regular chores, saving for small items to buy within a week or two and by sharing their money as they give to church and charities.

In the pre-teen stage of development, youth like to spend freely, especially to be accepted by their peers. They may relate how they feel about themselves to items they own or can buy. Parents can help youth through this stage by reinforcing positive traits of their child that are not related to money, such as their interests and skills. Set goals for money, show them how to make a spending plan and open a savings account. Decide together what expenses their allowance must cover and which money decisions they can make on their own.

The 4-H program of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service,

Texas A&M University System and Prairie View A&M University Cooperative Extension Program has money management and consumer decision making projects available to help youth learn these basic life skills. A new project, Consumer Critter Crew, teaches children nine to 11 years-old from various income levels how to become smart consumers. Parents are involved as leaders for the project and youth in urban, suburban and rural areas take lesson activities home to share with family members.

Allowing children to be involved in family discussions about money and shopping can help them see the true cost of living and the types of choices parents must make to live within the family's income. Even kids as young as 5-years-old can learn by counting and sorting coins, and can choose items from two or three options when shopping. With the parent's help, they can pay for small items at the store.

The key is to help your children learn to get full value from the money that passes through their hands by teaching them money management and consumer life skills.

Submitted by Lou Gilly,  
Haskell Co. Ext. Agent—FCS.

## Family meals promote good nutrition habits

Family meals promote good nutrition habits too. Sixty percent of children in a recent Gallup survey who rated their eating habits as excellent or good said they eat with their families daily. Of those who rated their diets as fair or poor, only 44 percent said they eat with family members daily.

Children are much more likely to eat a balanced, nutritious meal when sitting down together with the family at the dinner table. Most parents make a very conscious effort to serve a nutritious meal when they know the family will be gathering to eat.

Dining alone can promote problem eating for youngsters. Studies have shown that school-aged children who eat alone in front of the TV tend to overeat. Actually, the number of hours of TV watched is associated with both higher body fat and elevated blood cholesterol levels in children.

The opposite is true for young children. Those who eat alone tend to eat less. In a study of Nebraska preschoolers, those who shared meals with parents or siblings ate more servings from the basic food groups. Mealtime gatherings also were associated with a more positive home atmosphere and better food-related parenting skills.

A lesson can be learned from the Japanese. The contribution shared meals make to better health is already an integral part of their culture. While American dietary guidelines address the nuts and bolts of nutrition—advising us to eat a variety of foods, keep our weight in check, and watch our intake of sugar, salt, fat, cholesterol and alcohol—Japan urges its people to "make all activities pertaining to food and eating pleasurable ones." Eating in a pleasant atmosphere helps people feel relaxed and happy.

Submitted by Lou Gilly,  
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## Sports injuries can be hazardous for youth

Sports may be hazardous to the health of our youth.

"Of the 30 million young people involved in organized sports, 10 percent of them will suffer a sports-related injury," said Dr. Albert Hergenroeder, head of adolescent and sports medicine at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

According to Hergenroeder, many new injuries occur as a result of past injuries that are not detected or properly rehabilitated. Athletes often suffer loss of strength, flexibility and endurance as a result of injuries that are ignored and not treated.

"The best way to prevent injuries is to rehabilitate old injuries," he said. "In addition, watch for the 'stars.' An athlete who is successful at a high level is more likely to return to competition before he is fully recovered."

Sports with the highest number of injuries include football, softball, gymnastics and girls' cross-country running.

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## Sagerton News

By Dorothy M. Clark

Spring has arrived, the trees are blooming, flowers budding, birds chirping, spring break is over for the school children, farmers are busy in the fields getting land ready for the planting and Hee Haw people are working feverishly for the three big nights in Sagerton April 3, 4 & 5th. We wish everyone a Happy Easter as we celebrate another special day when we can greet each other with the Christian greeting, Christ is Risen!!

Upcoming events for the week of March 23rd include worship service at Faith Lutheran on Maundy Thurs. at 7:30 p.m., on Good Friday at 7:30 p.m. and regular services on Easter Sun, with the celebration of Holy Communion. The Maundy Thurs. service will also include Holy Communion. On Sun. night, March 30, Pastor Zell will be preaching for the Rule-Sagerton Ministerial Alliance service to be held at the Rule Methodist Church at 6:00 p.m.

The Rule One-Act play is moving right along in competition and everyone is anxious for them to go all the way to State again. On March 17 they won the Zone competition held in Rochester. Our two local girls, Stephanie and Michelle Stegemoeller are in the cast. Stephanie was selected to be on the all-star cast and Michelle was named to the honorable mention all-star cast. Megan Jones, niece of Judy New was named best actress. On Thurs., March 20, they were presented at the District

contest in Throckmorton, winning again and Stephanie and Michelle received the same honors. The next step will be at Munday on April 5. We wish them well as they march on toward State.

The regular monthly meeting and supper will be held at its regular time, April 1 at 6:00 p.m. with Johnny and Sue Guinn and helpers hosting the salad supper. Everyone is asked to bring a salad or a dessert for the meal.

The Friendship Club met at Faith Lutheran Church on Thurs., March 20 for lunch. The Happy Birthday song was sung for Leona Schonerstedt and Michelle Toney. Those attending were: Virgil (Bud) and Andrew Vahlenkamp from Denton, who were here visiting with Minnie Monse, Herbert and Christine Stremmel, Frances Clark, Isabell Mrazek, Minnie Monse, Bubba Mrazek, Leona Schonerstedt, Michelle and Clay Toney, Larry and Shane LeFevre, Ed Fouts, Alvin and Ev Ulmer, Pastor Jeff Zell, Delbert and Joyce LeFevre, Ken Brown and J.B. and Dorothy Toney.

The men's breakfast was held Fri. morning at Faith Lutheran Church with Pastor Jeff Zell, Melvin Baitz, Clancy Lehmann, Marvin Stegemoeller, Leroy Nehring, Marchel Nauert, J.B. Toney, Jack Jones, Gene Teichelman, Alvin Bredthauer, Carl Lunn and Clayton Stegemoeller in attendance.

Leona Schonerstedt was honored

for her birthday with supper out by her children, Shirley and Gene Rhoads, Glen and Pam Schonerstedt, and Lawrence and Kathryn Schonerstedt.

Shirley Hudgens of Rochester spent the weekend recently with Frances Clark. Also joining them on Sat. was Pat Escobedo. They were nurses aides who worked in the Clark home for a long time.

Frances Clark visited with Debbie Oliver of Stamford on Sun. Debbie is recovering from surgery. She also visited with Bonnie LeFevre and family.

Mae Stegemoeller accompanied Earlene Townsend of Rochester last Fri. and Sat. to Hewitt where they visited with Calvin and Cheri Lynn Stegemoeller and family and attended track meets where their two grandsons were participating. Eric was running at Belton for Midway school and placed third in the 2 mile. Ross was at Stephenville for the same school on Sat. and placed 4th in the pole vault, 8800 and mile. While at Stephenville, she visited with Art Bries, former student at Rule, who had a son competing with Ross.

Our sympathy is extended to the families of Eldon "Andy" Anderson and Selma Buerger whose funerals were held this week. Eldon and his wife Edna (Schroeder) grew up in Sagerton and Mrs. Buerger is the mother-in-law of the former Dan LeFevre.

## Haskell County receives \$2,650,577 for welfare programs last year

The state spent a total of \$2,650,577 last year for major welfare programs in Haskell County, according to David Maberry, Regional Administrator for the Texas Department of Human Services.

Food stamps worth \$723,608 were issued for the fiscal year which ended Aug. 31, while Aide to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) totaled \$134,836. Food stamps are funded entirely by

the federal government, while the department determines eligibility of applicants and issues the food coupons.

The state and federal governments share in the cost of AFDC to families where needy children are deprived of support because of the absence of disability of one or both parents.

Nursing home costs of

approximately \$1,369,833 were paid for aged and disabled residents. Community Care for Aged and Disabled spent \$333,852 for Medicaid related services and \$86,988 for non-Medicaid related services," Maberry said.

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### ECC Menu and Calendar

**Monday, March 31**  
China painting—1 p.m.  
Lunch—Steak with gravy, broccoli, potatoes, chery cobbler, carrot with raisin salad, milk, tea or coffee.

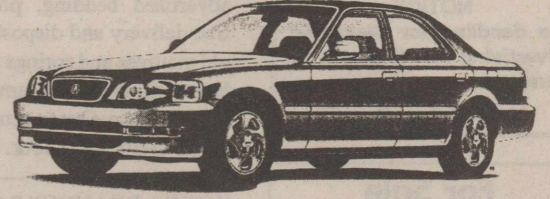
**Wednesday, April 2**  
Exercise—10:30 a.m.  
Lunch—BBQ on bun, potato salad, baked beans, pickles, onions, jello, fruit, milk, tea or coffee.

**Friday, April 4**  
Lunch—Pork chops, potatoes, frozen peas, cabbage slaw, fruit, milk, tea or coffee.

All over 60 are invited to come and eat. Call 864-3875 for transportation to the center or for home delivered lunches for the sick or disabled.

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## VA intensifies outreach to women veterans

More than 400,000 women veterans will receive letters from the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) about VA programs specifically designed to meet their needs, including sexual trauma counseling.

Veterans Affairs Secretary Jesse Brown said, "Some women veterans who are the victims of sexual assault have come to VA for counseling and treatment, but we know there are many more who are reluctant to come forward for help—a common reaction to sexual trauma. I want women veterans to know there is help available. VA staff can help them cope with the long-lasting effects of sexual trauma and improve the quality of their lives," Brown added.

Legislation signed in 1992 authorized VA to provide counseling to eligible women veterans to overcome psychological trauma resulting from sexual assault, battery or harassment while on active duty. Since that time, VA has treated more than 15,000 women veterans in its Vet Centers and medical centers.

Said Brown, "VA is committed

to ensuring that the unique health-care needs of women veterans—now numbering 1.2 million—are being met. In addition to sexual trauma counseling, we have targeted other special programs to meet those needs."

Gynecological services are available at all VA health-care facilities, the majority of which have special women's clinics. Eight Women Veterans Comprehensive Health Centers have been established to develop new programs for meeting women veterans' health needs. Each VA medical center and regional benefits office has a women veterans' coordinator to provide information on benefits and services.

Women veterans seeking information may call VA's national toll-free number, 1-800-827-1000. VA counselors or women veterans' coordinators are available to provide information on VA and non-VA community programs, as well as assistance in filing claims.

In addition, information is available through VA's Web site on the Internet. The address is www.va.gov.

## Wendy Gray to compete in Junior Miss Scholarship program

Western Horizon Chapter of the American Business Women's Association's West Texas Junior Miss Scholarship Program will be March 29 at Abilene Christian University's Cullen Auditorium at 7:00 p.m. The Junior Misses competing from area schools include Wendy Gray of Haskell.

Scholarships will be awarded at this program and the West Texas Junior Miss winner will advance to State competition this summer. The State winner will then represent Texas in the national competition in Mobile, Alabama in the summer of 1998.

Tickets, available at the door, are \$5.00.

## Fever is symptom, not illness

As common as fevers may be for children, they are not insignificant.

"Fever is a symptom, not an illness," says Dr. Joel Steinberg, professor of pediatrics at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas. "The cause of the fever is the important issue. The fever might make the child feel bad, but

the illness causing the fever is the real villain."

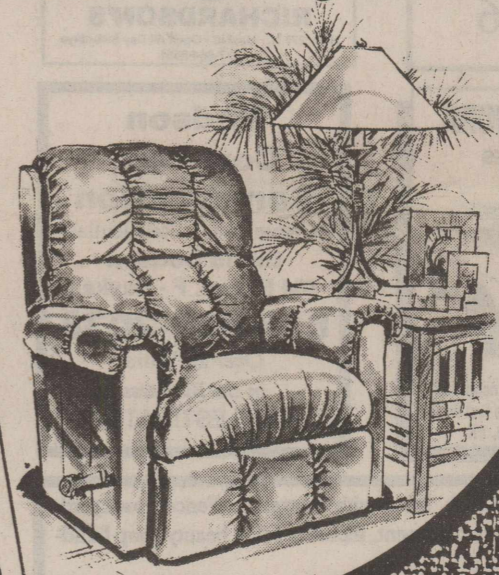
Babies 3 months old and younger are more likely to have a serious illness connected with their fever, so Steinberg says they need to be seen by a pediatrician.

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