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## Holiday driving safety urged

There is probably no other holiday that gets people in a more festive spirit than Christmas. With all the gift shopping, holiday music, and the excitement of having the family all together, it's no wonder why this is a favorite holiday among Americans.

But for some Texas families, this will be a special holiday, one to be remembered forever. Not because it was such a good time, but because they have lost a friend

or loved one in a traffic accident.

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Let's all have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

## Obituaries

### John Worth Wallace

Funeral services for John Worth Wallace, 86, of Haskell were held Wed., Dec. 17 at the First Baptist Church with Roy Herricks and Dr. Troy Culpepper officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Wallace died Sun., Dec. 14 at a local hospital. Born April 16, 1911 in Campbell, he moved to Haskell County in 1932. He was a farmer-stockman. He married Jewell Lea Scott July 5, 1941 in Beaumont. They later moved to Port Arthur where John worked in the shipyards until 1943. He was an avid supporter of the Texas Cowboy Reunion and was a lifetime member of the Old Timer's Association, being a contestant in the rodeo from 1932 until 1980, winning various events and awards. His picture was featured in a Southern Living article featuring the Cowboy Reunion in the mid 1970's. He was a member of the First Baptist Church.

John enjoyed supporting his grandchildren in their sporting events and hanging out at the livestock auction. Survivors include his wife, Jewell Lea, of Haskell;

two sons, J. W. Wallace, Jr., and Kenneth Ray Wallace, both of Haskell; three daughters, Opal Lea Furrh of Victoria, Lowell Anne Baker of Haskell, and JulieJohn Knott of Germany; two brothers, Rafé Wallace of Lone Oak and Glenn Wallace of Campbell; two sisters, Opal Atkisson of California and Lena Mays of Greenville; 15 grandchildren, Jamie Furrh of Victoria, Jarrett Furrh of Tulsa, Okla., Mark Wallace, Vickie Coker, Kelly Reid, Deanne Morgan, Kevin Wallace and Maegan Wallace, all of Haskell, Janet Thane of Roby, Lorry Kay Jennings of Dallas, Robert Geilhausen, Wayne Geilhausen and Brandie Wallace, all of Lubbock, Bruce Geilhausen of Denison, Kate and Sabastian Knott of Stuttgart, Germany, and Brooke Wooten of Austin; and 12 great grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Bob Aycok, Jerry Don Hudgens, Mark Stewart, David Earle, Fred Hernandez, Tiffen Mayfield, Carl Hopkins and Jim Pope.

Honorary pallbearers were Phil Coleman and Carl Rueffer.

### Ollin Aubry Willis

Funeral services for Ollin Aubry Willis, 90, of Comanche were held Sun., Dec. 14 in the Hall & Sons Funeral Home chapel in Comanche. Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery in Comanche.

Mr. Willis died Fri., Dec. 12 in the Comanche Community Hospital after a long illness.

Born Feb. 9, 1907 in Hubbard, he was the son of the late George Lawrence and Viola Gamel Willis. He married Willie Mae Keel Nov. 22, 1930 in Haskell. He was an accomplished blacksmith and operated a shop in Comanche for 52 years. He was a member of the Willow

Spring Freewill Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife of 67 years; one daughter and son-in-law, Pat and Pedro Westmoreland of Comanche; one son and daughter-in-law, Ollin, Jr. and Nell Willis of Pasadena; five grandchildren, Connie Sue Sanders of LaPorte, Debra Kay Morse of Pasadena, Teresa Westmoreland of Granbury, Kalene Weathermon of Stephenville and Dennis Westmoreland of Comanche.

Memorials may be made to the Willow Springs Freewill Baptist Church, Rt. 1 Box 72A2, Comanche, TX 76442.

### Beatrice Weinert

Funeral services and interment for Beatrice Weinert, 89, of Houston were held Mon., Dec. 15 at Forest Park-Westheimer location with Dr. Lawrence Culbertson and Rev. C. J. Taylor officiating.

Mrs. Weinert died Fri., Dec. 12 in Houston. Born July 17, 1908 in Weinert, she was the youngest, and last surviving child of the late Herman and Annie Weinert. She graduated from Haskell High School

in 1925. She moved to Houston in 1941 and retired in 1970 after many years of service to the Houston Lighting and Power Co. She was a member of Westminster United Methodist Church in Houston.

Survivors include several nephews and their wives: Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Weinert of Weinert, Mr. and Mrs. George Farr and Mr. and Mrs. John Herman Farr and their families of Seymour.

## Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Jess Leonard were their son, Gene Leonard and his daughter Shelby Leonard of Mabank. They spent two days and did quail hunting while they were here.

Bobby Hawkins of Lewisville, came Sunday night to spend the week with mom, Joyce and other relatives. He came through Eastland and spent a couple days with friends, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy and did some deer hunting. He didn't get a deer, but the friend did and gave it to him.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Brian McCallum of Oklahoma City, spent Sunday with his mother, Audree McCallum in Rice Spring Care Home and also visited his sister, Nedra McCauley.

During Neat Bevel's illness, all the children at one time or other were with her. They are Jackie Bevel of Kennedy; Pat Kidney of El Paso; Darlene Cummings of Santo; Jackie of Odessa and James

and Lela Bevel of Haskell.

Saturday evening at 2 p.m., the B.S.V.P. travel charter had their party at the Southern Hill Church of Christ. They unveiled the 1998 bus tours.

On Saturday night, Bernice Hilliard attended the square dance at the Wagon Wheel in Tye.

Chunky and Viola Tidwell had a early Christmas dinner Sat., Dec 13. Those attending were Charlie and Christie Miller of Commerce; Eric Glover of Garland; Casey and Angela Waits of Dallas; Roy Paul and Marena Glover, Richardson; Bob Glover of Panhandle; Pat, Sue, Penny and Kotia Glover, Richardson; Gene and Dean Harrell of Abilene; Scott and Dana Shipley of Richardson; Stefani Glover of Denton; Daisy Smith, Imogene and Hanse Dobbs of Abilene; Mike, Julia and Robin Harrell of Haskell. All those attending are nieces and nephews of Viola and Chunky Tidwell.

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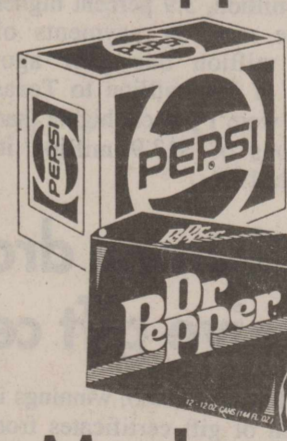
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## Christmas get-together held by Sanders family

Children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of the late Jack and Sallie Sanders, longtime residents of Weinert, gathered over the weekend Dec. 6-7 at the First National Bank community room in Haskell for their Thanksgiving-Christmas get-together.

Lona Mae Phelps and her family host the get-together each year on the first weekend in December.

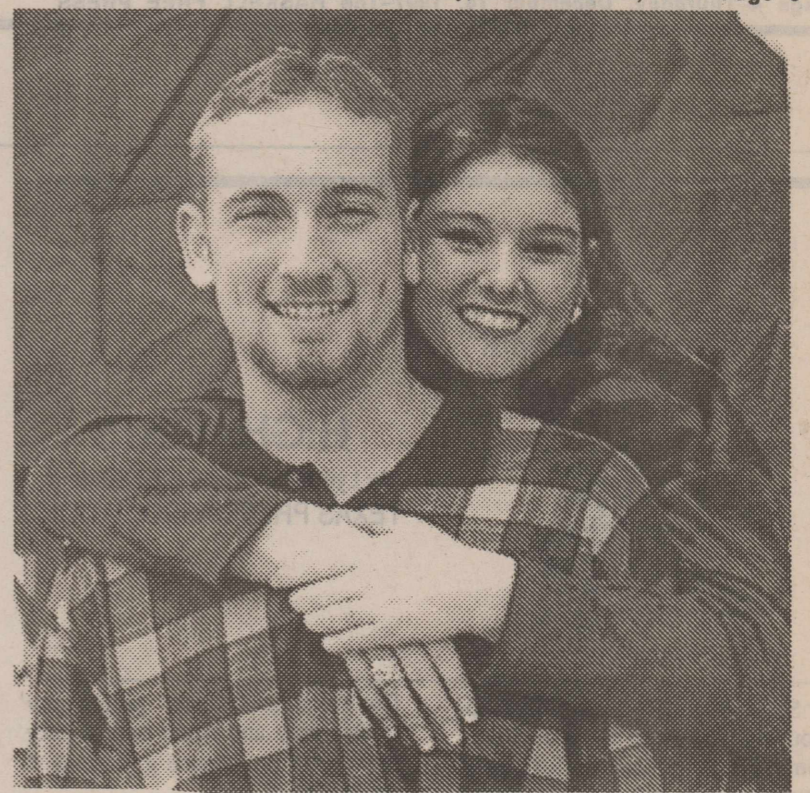
Three of the children unable to be present were: Jack Sanders and his family from Aledo; Scarlett Cole and her family from San Antonio, and Ethel Slade and her family of Eger, Arizona.

The youngest member of the family, two week old Carl Austin, son of Scott and Brenda Sartain and brother of fourteen year old Casey was the center of attention. He is

the grandson of Walter and Sue Cox and great-grandson of Julia Cox of Haskell.

Attending this year were the host, Lona Mae Phelps of Haskell; Kenneth and Elaine Campbell, Karen, Kendall and Allison Mitchell, all of Haskell; Mr. and Mrs. Travis Sanders of Coleman; Mr. and Mrs. Andy Sanders and their children; Mr. and Mrs. Ricky

Carruth; Renetha, Crystal, A.J.; Tina, Megan and Austin Lee of Cross Plains; Bill and Martha Maupin and Loretta of Odessa; John Hardman of Raleigh, North Carolina; Marie and B.D. Kirkland of Fort Worth; Jackson, Kristen and Rebecca of Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Walter (Sue) Cox of Naples; Scott, Brenda, Casey and Carl Austin of Mesquite; Deborah Annah and Alexander MacKay of Naples; Junior, Christi, Kade and Drew Cox of Daingerfield; Rocky and Marsha Sanders of Abilene, and Shawn, Kathy and Alexis Sanders of Stamford. Forty-six family members and ten visitors attended from Haskell, Julia Cox, Mindi, Jeremy, Jaclyn and Jade Torres, Truman and Charlene Therwanger, Donna Tidrow, Nate and Jared Webb.



WILL DUTTON—CINDY WEST

## Vest, Dutton plan January wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Vest, of Anson, would like to announce the engagement of their daughter, Cindy Michelle Vest, to Will Dutton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dutton, of Munday.

The bride-elect attended Anson High School. The prospective

bridegroom attended Munday High School. Both attended Western Texas College in Snyder.

A Jan. 10 wedding is planned at the Anson Church of Christ. They will be living in Snyder where they will continue their education at Western Texas College.

## Holiday safety is valuable gift

By Mary Kaigler

One of the least expensive but most valuable gifts you can give yourself and others is safety precaution.

"Tis the season to remember safety," says Dr. Matthew Wall, Jr., associate professor of surgery at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

"Because of the holiday rush, people are more vulnerable to accidents. Injuries from car wrecks, falls, and other mishaps due to carelessness increase during this hectic season," said Wall, who is also chief of general surgery and director of trauma and critical-care services at the Harris County Hospital District's Ben Taub General Hospital.

He offers some practical tips to make the season safer:

\* Concentrate on the road. With more people traveling, the risk of auto accidents is higher, and the

chances of being distracted by holiday-related thoughts are greater.

\*Have someone brace the ladder when you're hanging (or taking down) decorations on the tree or house.

\*Minimize fire hazards: Water the base of the tree regularly. Check all strands of lights for frayed wires and broken bulbs before hanging them. Before going to bed or leaving home, unplug tree lights and other electrical decorations.

\*Keep decorations out of reach of toddlers so they can't chew on electrical cords or put twinkling lights in their mouths. Babies and very young children might think the lights are toys.

\*Keep potentially dangerous toys away from toddlers—especially during family gatherings involving kids of all ages. Some toys, inappropriate for young ages, can cause choking.

\*Don't drink and drive. If you're

going to a party, designate someone in your group who will abstain from alcohol to drive you home, or take a cab.

Dr. Wall added that taking extra time and effort to be careful is a simple way to make the holidays more enjoyable for you, your family and friends.

## Garden Club enjoys Christmas meeting

The Haskell Garden Club met at Gladys O'Neal's home Dec. 11, for a luncheon.

Marian Carlisle gave the invocation before the meal was served.

The program began with Sammie Turner giving the story of Jesus' birth from the Bible.

Peggy Burnett told about Christmas flowers, naming several and describing their beauty in the colors of peppermint red, peach and purple. She told where they were grown and their usage in various ways.

Marian Carlisle and Wilma Prueft gave each member a poinsettia in a pot arranged beautifully before they went home.

Ladies present were Dee Sprayberry, Wilma Prueft, Florence Peden, Mary Kammanga, Ruby Holt, Sue Hertel, Wanda Ham, Mona Gibson, Margie

## Art club discusses painting of building's mural

The Brazos West Art Association met Dec. 8 in the community room. Betty Berry gave a brief report concerning the mural on the building that the art club painted several years ago. Games were played and gifts were exchanged among the members.

The hostesses, Peggy Middlebrook and Iva Lee Gipson, had the refreshment table decorated beautifully with Christmas motif. Delicious food was served to Anita Herren, Florence Larned, Clara Gholson, Jennie Lyckman, Martha Spitzer, Betty Berry, Iva Lee Gipson, Peggy Middlebrook, Dorothy Brown, Fern Livengood, Gladys O'Neal and a guest Cecil

Mae Archer, from Crowell.

The next meeting will be Jan. 12, with a guest artist, Paul Friske, from Abilene. He will use pastels or oils.

Visitors are always welcome. Anyone interested in learning how to use pastels or oils, is invited to come.

## Dinner held by Jettons

Ted and Faye Jetton and family had their Thanksgiving dinner at the Weinert Community Center recently.

At noon, a catered meal was served. A daughter, Sandra and Don Stafford of Great Falls, Montana and Paul Maturi were unable to attend.

Attending were Claude and Jimmie Young, Pitkin, Colorado; De Young of Wichita Falls and friend; Dedee Tatom, Jeremy and Troy, Iowa Park; Jackie Frantz, Kelly and Kade Frantz and children; Loran of Dallas; Brannen Frantz of Houston; Jana Maturi, Haley, Molly and Jami, all of Rowlett; Bill and Dorothy Jetton, Brad, Lori Jetton of Brownwood; and Jami Gough, Logan and Slaten of Weatherford; Velma Jetton and granddaughter Sharla Jetton and friend, Donny Skiles of Haskell; a niece, Forrestine and Bill Marrow, Whitesboro; a niece, Anita and Kenneth McKenzie of Gainesville; and Ted and Faye Jetton.

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# OPINION

## From The Inside Out

By Mary Kaigler

There are two new works of art in our community this Christmas season that are thrilling to the eye and soul.

Both located at the First United Methodist Church, one is seasonal, one is timeless, yet both beautifully convey an expression of the kind of love that this season is about; all-giving, with no strings attached.

Working from a picture belonging to Shane Brue, Pastor of the church, Doris May and Kenny Watson constructed a wooden framework of shelves in the shape of a Christmas tree. Placed beneath the tall, lighted cross at the back of the rostrum, it towers up to the foot of the cross, filled with pots of the 103 red poinsettias which were given by church members in memory and honor of loved ones. Topped off at the upper tip by a single large white poinsettia, the crimson poinsettia tree is breathtaking. It is the living embodiment of a labor of love.

In the main foyer of the historical building there is now hanging an imposing work of art given to the church this month by Haskell native Bob Smith and his wife Darlene of Arlington, in honor of his mother, Allie Belle Smith, one of oldest living members of the church.

In deep bas-relief letters, oxidized to the look of something ancient, the words of the Lord's prayer are mounted on heavy, hand-made parchment-like paper, gold-leafed and double-matted on deep green velvet. Framed in ornate gold, it measures three feet wide by almost five feet tall. The engraved plate at the bottom reads simply, "Given in honor of Allie Belle Smith by her family, 1997."

The piece was made by artist Johnny Johnson, who does them one at a time in his studio in the Lake Highlands area of Dallas. Johnson, who graduated from Oklahoma State University with a major in advertising, was a company commander in a propaganda unit in the Psychological Warfare Department of the army during the Korean war.

Following the war, he settled in Dallas where he has been working in advertising, art and communication fields.

Called Elevated ArtWords, the art technique was first started by Johnson as a Christmas card. Two years ago, wanting to do something different for a business client, he took some of the many names of Jesus from the Bible and executed the raised letters on a textured paper. Rolling the piece up like a scroll, he tied a coarse hemp cord around it and left it with the receptionist at his client's plush office in north Dallas. The piece quickly found a beautiful frame and became the centerpiece of the executive's office.

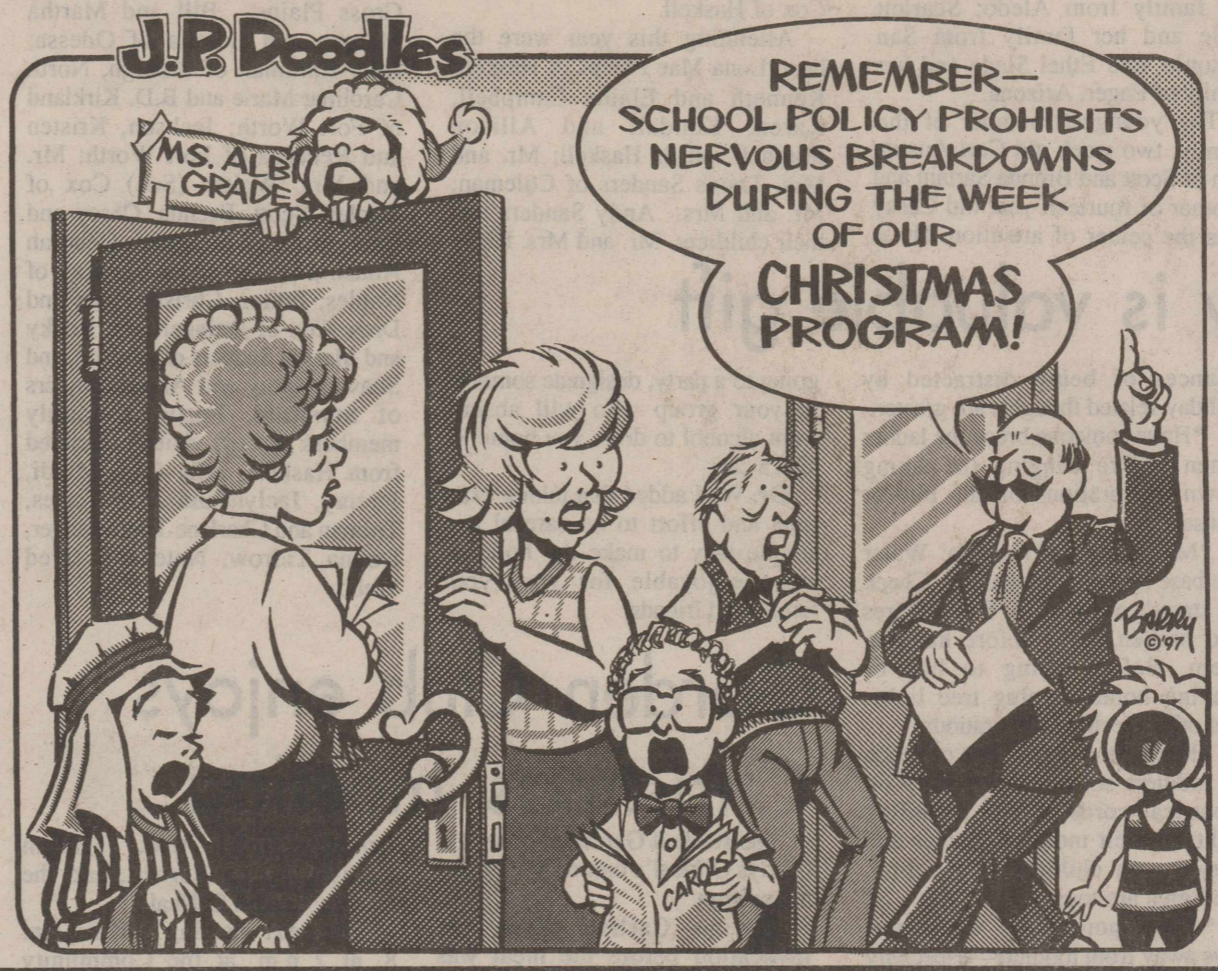
Since that Christmas, Johnson has done hundreds of scriptural messages that adorn the walls in homes and offices all over the southwest and beyond.

Bob Smith said that for quite some time he has been wanting to find something suitable to give the local church in honor of his mother while she is alive. When he saw a sample of Johnson's work earlier this year, he knew he had found what he wanted. He quickly commissioned the artist to make it.

Keeping it secret until it was installed, when he came to Haskell to put out some new decorations and lights in Allie Belle's yard, he drove her down to the church on a pretext of viewing the new outdoor carpet she recently had installed on the handicap ramp she gave in memory of her late husband, Clay Smith.

When she saw Bob's gift, Allie Belle was understandably proud of the tribute, yet undeniably humble of her worthiness of it. "Really, my greatest joy and honor is that Bob has always been a thoughtful, loving son to me, and to the memory of Clay," she said.

Sometimes, unconditional, on-going love for others can indeed become a work of art within itself.



## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

### 10 Years Ago December 17, 1987

Senior Sheree Dumas will be competing in a singles cheerleading competition in Tennessee. The daughter of Bill and Charlene Dumas, she earned this right at the San Angelo summer camp.

Debbie Williams, bookkeeper at the First National Bank, has been named that firm's Employee of the Year for 1987.

Mr. and Mrs. William Scott Alves of Haskell announce the birth of their daughter, Holly Marie Alves, born Dec. 8 at Haskell Memorial Hospital.

Making all-tournament at the Wylie tournament last week were Dusty Meeks of the Indians and Joy McKeever of the Maidens

### 20 Years Ago December 15, 1977

Approximately 55 county farmers left Haskell in tractors Tuesday for Abilene to protest high production costs. The 'tractorcade' was joined at Stamford and Anson by other area farmers and by the time they arrive at Abilene Wednesday morning, several hundred were expected.

Certificates were recently awarded to Earnest Stewart and Donna Markey naming them the

most improved man and woman golfers at Haskell County Club according to Jack Medford, club pro.

### 30 Years Ago December 21, 1967

The Eddie Sanders five-room frame home and furnishings, plus utility room, about one-and-one-half miles west of Weinert, was completely destroyed by fire Friday morning. Origin of the blaze was not determined, but was thought to have been caused by faulty wiring.

The all-new, full length cartoon feature in color, "Pinocchio In Outer Space," will be shown on the screen of the Texas Theatre, Saturday, for the delight of the youngsters.

Jerry Weatherly, chairman of the Christmas tree sale; Jesse Priest, "youth shopping spree" chairman, and Frank Jenkins, chairman of the six-man regional football game play-off between Paint Creek and Miles here, were named Jaycees of the month, president, Ben McGee announced.

### 40 Years Ago December 19, 1957

The Haskell Indians overpowered Hawley, 83-72, in non-district high school basketball play at Hawley Tuesday night.

David Conner, tackle for the 1957 HHS Indian football team, was named on the Abilene Reporter News' Class AA All-Abilene Area football selection, announced Sunday by the newspaper.

The Mattson Pep Squad honored their football players and coaches with a semi-formal banquet recently. The banquet was on the theme of the Golden Harvest and was held in the Mattson gymnasium. Dorinda Kretschmer was chosen Football Sweetheart and Loyd Klose was chosen Football Hero.

### 50 Years Ago December 18, 1947

Lennis D. Hilliard, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Horace B. Hilliard of Haskell has completed recruit training at the Naval Training Center, San Diego, California, and has been advanced to seaman, second class.

A group of eight friends and relatives of Harley Sadler from Haskell attended the "Flowers of the living" banquet given in honor of Harley Sadler by the Rotary Club of Sweetwater in that city Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Martin and son spent the weekend in Throckmorton with his parents.

## Massive Medicare cuts to home health care could have devastating effects

by Anita Bradberry,  
Executive Director of the  
Texas Association for Home  
Care

Very little attention has been focused on the massive cuts to home health care under Medicare made by Congress last summer when it passed the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, but thousands of Texas families are about to feel the devastating effects.

Beginning in February 1998, 25,000 to 40,000 elderly Texans will lose their current home health services. As 1998 progresses, many thousands more elderly persons and their families may find that they cannot get the home health services they need. More than \$16 billion in home health services will be deleted from projected Medicare expenditures over the next five years. The absence of these home health services will sorely burden Texas's state budget because many of these elderly will use Medicaid—the state/federal medical program for the poor—to meet the demands of their chronic illnesses.

This spells disaster, for Texas at least! Our state has more elderly people living below the poverty level than any state in the Nation. As far as Texas is concerned, it appears that Congress has passed the buck from the federal government to state government.

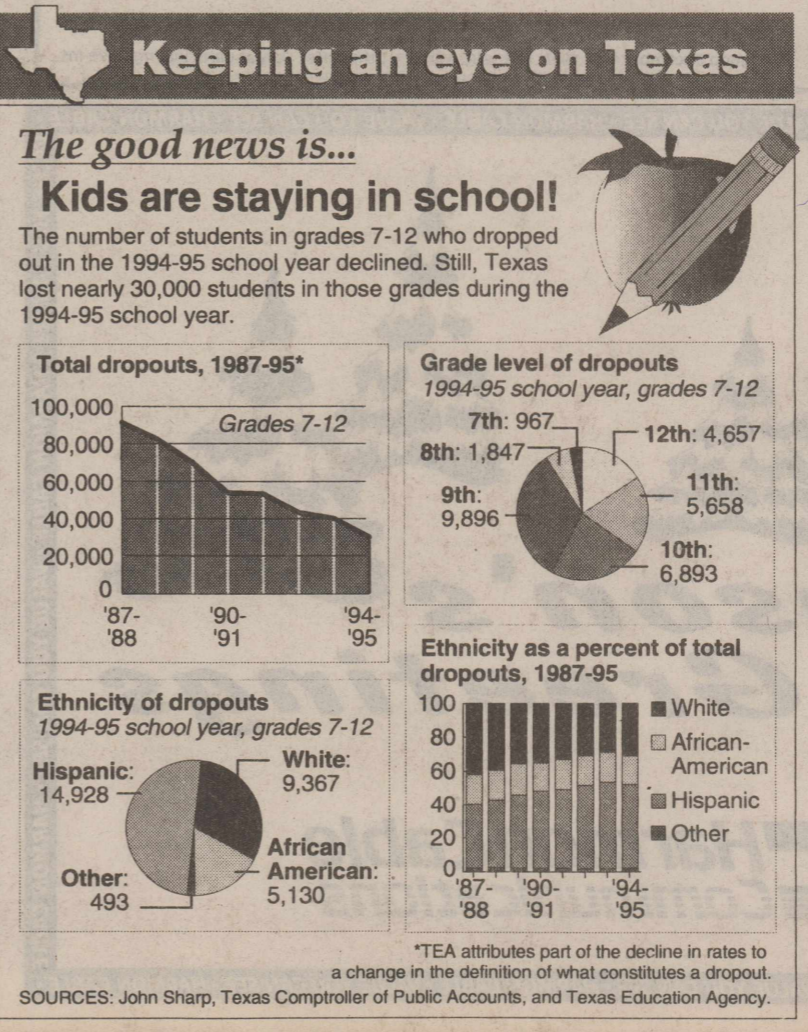
The dozens of changes in Medicare embodied in the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 add up to the demise of desperately needed home care services under Medicare. The result is that the federal government is shedding responsibility for those elderly patients who need sustained home care services in order to continue living in their own homes

independently.

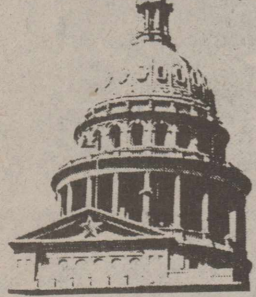
That is really the saddest part of this scenario—the effect it will have on elderly Texans who have thus far been able to retain their pride and independence with the help of home care. Many of them will be forced into nursing homes to get their needed care, or they will bounce in and out of hospitals as their diabetic, cardiac, or other conditions begin to destabilize. This care is much more expensive

when administered in a hospital or nursing home than through home care services, and the patients find it much less desirable.

By far the most troubling aspect of the situation is the fact that we—Texas taxpayers—are going to pay dearly for these changes. We will pay for them not only through additional state taxes for Medicaid, but also through the pain of watching our loved ones lose their dignity and their independence.



## State Capital



## HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling  
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

State Sen. Rodney Ellis, D-Houston, last week urged insurance companies to release information on where they sell policies. Doing so, he said, would make the case for or against "redlining"—a practice insurers who refuse to sell policies for homes in areas they consider risky.

After a meeting of the Senate Economic Development Committee, Ellis said he believes it is difficult for homeowners to find affordable insurance in low-income urban neighborhoods.

"I think the industry would be better served if they took the positions to release this information and the chips fall where they may," he told *The Dallas Morning News*.

Charity Judah of the Southwest Insurance Information Service said, however, that sharing the information "would be the same as the Dallas Cowboys sharing their game plan with the Carolina Panthers."

In August, insurance companies sued the Texas Department of Insurance to prevent the release of information showing where companies are selling their policies. A court order to keep the information confidential was issued and remains in effect, the *Morning News* reported.

The confidential data shows sales practices by individual companies in ZIP codes across the state.

### Panel Probes Bingo Conflict

A special panel of legislators, prosecutors, gambling opponents, Texas Department of Public Safety personnel and state lottery officials are investigating whether Las Vegas-style gambling machines are cutting into charitable bingo proceeds. The panel will report to Gov. George W. Bush by May 1.

At a public hearing last week, Mike Pitcock, chief of enforcement for the Texas Lottery Commission, said bingo hall operators are flouting state law by installing Las Vegas "eight-liner" gambling machines in special rooms inside or near the halls to attract bingo players.

As a result, bingo proceeds have fallen 20 to 30 percent, prompting some charities—which rent the halls but get none of the money from the gambling machines—to consider giving up charitable bingo. If charitable groups complain, Pitcock said, they are told to take their games elsewhere.

### Bullock Names Panel

Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock last week said the U.S. Supreme Court's decision not to reconsider a California ban on affirmative action programs means Texas and other states must solve the issue on their own.

"We need to find a solution that

fits Texas and Texas' philosophy of fair play and equal opportunity over strict preference guidelines," Bullock said.

To move toward that goal, Bullock asked outgoing Houston Mayor Bob Lanier and state Sens. Gonzalo Barrientos, D-Austin; Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo; Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock; Rodney Ellis, D-Houston; Frank Madla, D-San Antonio; and Bill Ratliff, R-Mount Pleasant to review affirmative action policies and programs.

Meanwhile, Lanier, who had been mentioned as a possible candidate for Texas attorney general, said he will not run for the office. Lanier's third and final term as mayor of Houston expires in January.

**Grand Jury Indicts Estes**  
Billy Sol Estes of Brady and Mei Kwong of Houston have been indicted by a Brown County grand jury in Brownwood on felony tax evasion charges.

They are accused of using a not-for-profit alcoholism treatment center in Abilene as a corporate shell to evade state taxes on a motel and check-cashing business they own.

In April, after an investigation by the Texas Rangers and the Texas Comptroller's office, the financial, computer and business records of the companies were seized.

A one-time confidant of President Lyndon Johnson, Estes was sentenced to 15 years in prison in 1965 for swindling millions of dollars in agricultural loans involving non-existent fertilizer tanks.

### Other Capitol Highlights

•State Rep. Hugo Berlanga, D-Corpus Christi, announced he will not seek re-election in 1998. Berlanga, 49, a businessman and real estate broker, did not specify why he will leave the office he has held for 21 years. In a later statement, Berlanga said he wants to return to private life because he has accomplished much of what he set out to do.

•The Independent Bankers Association of Texas is supporting the state banking commissioner's attempt to block NationsBank from introducing interstate branch banking in Texas. NationsBank has asked federal regulators for permission to branch into Texas directly from its Charlotte, N.C. headquarters. "NationsBank wants to play here, but they don't want to pay here," Chris Williston, IBAT president, said.

•U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm last week announced he will chair Carole Keeton Rylander's campaign for state comptroller. Gramm, R-College Station, said Rylander's is the only race in which he plans hands-on involvement.

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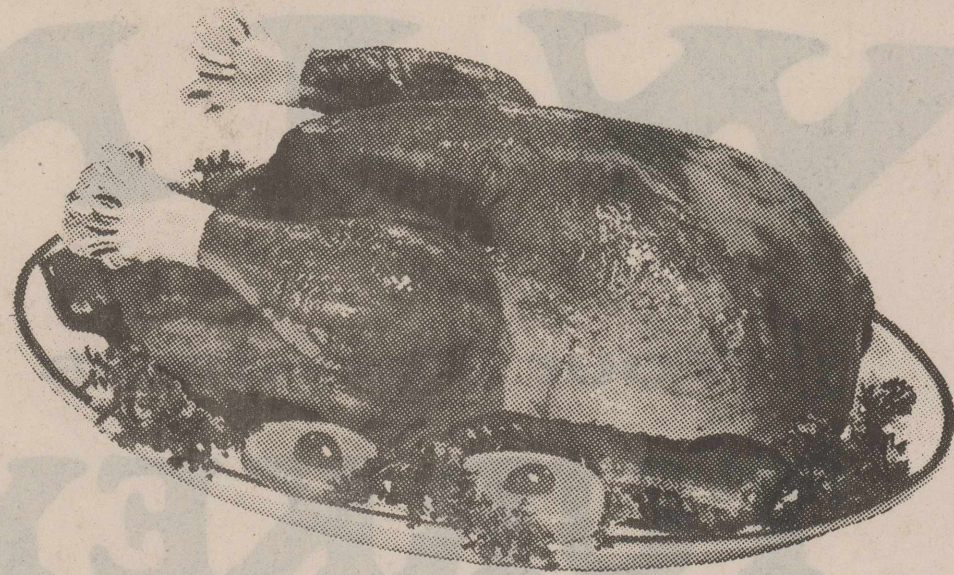
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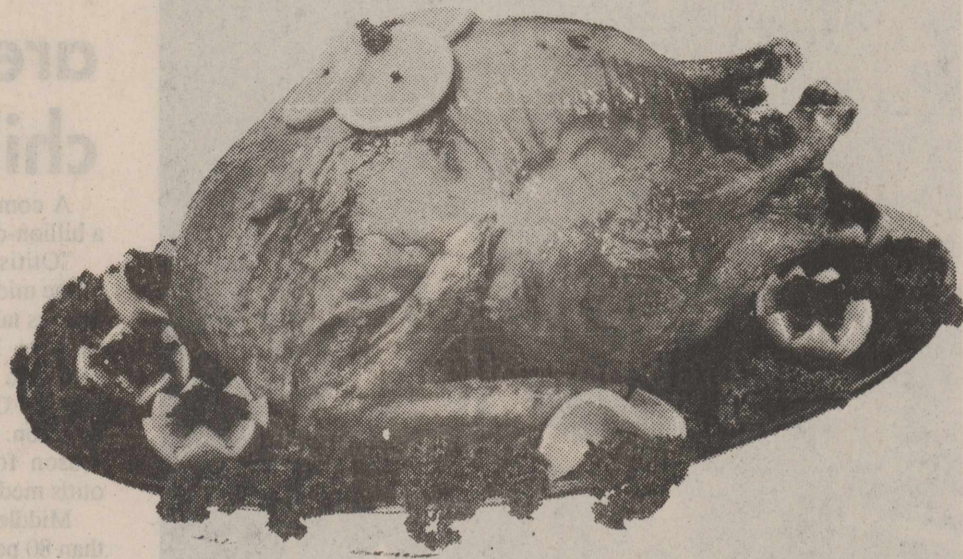
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## Poinsettias, best selling potted plant

by Lou Gilly  
Haskell Co. Extension  
Agent

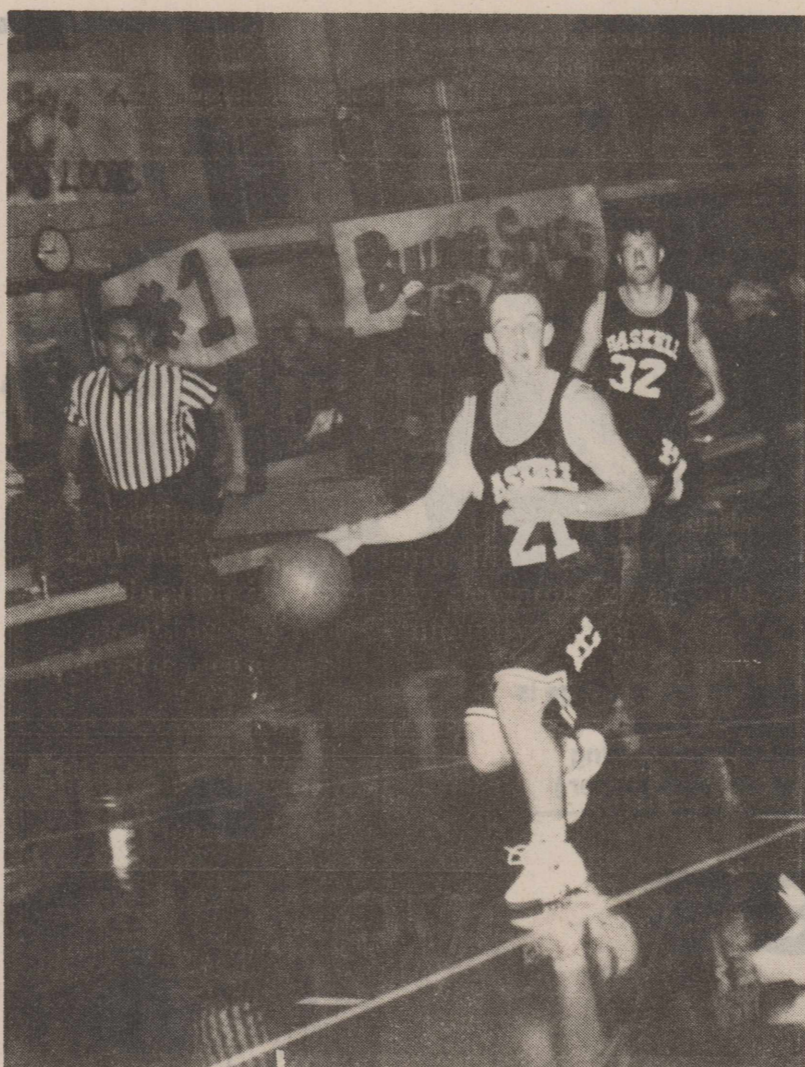
The best selling flowering potted plant in the country is one that most people throw out as soon as the holidays are over. Texas is one of 36 states that produce poinsettias. Texas plants represent about six percent of the total U.S. poinsettia production. That's 3.6 million poinsettias which contribute to 13 1/2 million dollars to the state's economy. And over the past 30 years poinsettias have edged out chrysanthemums to become the best selling potted flower in the nation.

Each year, Americans spend more than 200 million dollars on poinsettias. P.J. Ellison Kalil of Ellison's Greenhouses in Brenham, says one of the biggest selling

points is the selection. You can get poinsettias in such interesting colors as salmon. Or how about a red and white speckled poinsettia?

The newest variety has an entirely different look. It's leaves and bracts are twisted so the poinsettia looks curled. But despite the continuous additions, red is still the most popular color by far.

Experiment Station horticulturist Dr. Harvey Lang says 70 percent of all poinsettias sold in the U.S. are red. He says poinsettias can maintain their color for up to two months and can even continue to be kept as house plants although getting them to bloom properly again is not easy. So he recommends you don't consider poinsettias as just another holiday decoration and discard them at the end of the season.



LOOKING TO PASS—Haskell's T. Nichols gets ready to pass the ball during the Indian's 64-57 win over the Stamford Bulldogs.

Photo by Bill Blankenship

## Middle ear infections are a common childhood disease

A common childhood illness is a billion-dollar problem.

"Otitis media or inflammation of the middle ear is the chief reason parents take children to the doctor," said Dr. Ellen Friedman, head of pediatric otorhinolaryngology at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "And winter is the peak season for these visits, although otitis media can occur at any time."

Middle ear infections strike more than 80 percent of children by age 3 at an annual cost of more than \$1 billion, according to the National Center for Health Statistics. Children ages 6 months to 3 years are especially at risk.

Friedman suggests parents watch for early indicators of this painful and potentially dangerous infection.

"At the first sign of fever, fussiness, tugging or rubbing of the ears, upper respiratory infection, nausea or vomiting, or any combination of these, parents should suspect middle ear infection," she said.

Middle ear infections occur when bacteria invades the middle ear causing inflammation. This results in a painful buildup of infected fluid behind the eardrum due to blockage of the eustachian tube leading from the sinuses to the middle ear.

Untreated middle ear infections can result in serious complications such as a ruptured eardrum, meningitis, brain abscess, or even

hearing loss. Early treatment may prevent such serious complications.

"Antibiotics are the main therapy although persistent cases may require special antibiotics or surgical drainage," Friedman said.

In more serious cases, ear tubes may be surgically inserted to help relieve fluid buildup and frequently occurring infections.

Although there is no fool-proof way to avoid middle ear infections, Friedman suggests that parents:

\*Avoid exposing children to passive smoke. Smoke can cause cilia, hair-like "fingers" in the inner ear that propel mucous, to stop working.

\*Choose breast-feeding over bottle-feeding.

\*Avoid exposing children to colds, flu or other viruses, although this is often not easy or realistic.

\*Place their child in a smaller daycare facility, or avoid daycare settings if possible.

\*Make sure their child receives the full course of antibiotics. It's important to be checked for complete ear healing within four weeks or sooner if any symptoms persist.

"Parents should understand that middle ear infections are very common," Friedman said. "Many times they will go away on their own. However, it's important to know the symptoms and seek treatment if you are concerned."

## Time to prepare vehicles for winter

The Texas Department of Public Safety wants to remind motorists that the winter season is fast approaching and it is once again time to prepare our vehicle and especially the driver for one of the most dangerous times ahead, winter driving.

Drivers are faced with many more dangers than they usually have during the rest of the year, such as driving on icy or snow packed highways, freezing temperatures, freezing rain, sleet, all creating dangerous conditions for the driver.

The most important safety tip for driving in winter time when the streets are slick is to remember to slow down. Remember, it can easily take from two to three times longer to stop compared to when roads are dry.

When temperatures drop below

the freezing point, drivers must remember to scrape the frost and ice from all windows before driving, to keep your headlights clean of mud and snow, and above all, keep plenty of windshield washer anti-freeze mixture in the window washers for those unexpected "splashes" from other cars.

When driving during adverse weather conditions allow plenty of time to start your trip a little early because there is no way to make up time on streets and highways. If you are driving a four-wheel drive vehicle, you may be able to start off better and the steering may seem a little better, but it takes just as long to stop a four-wheel drive as to stop a two-wheel drive.

Let's use a little more caution and have a safe winter.

## Purses may post threat for children

Grandma's purse may be the most dangerous threat to children during the holidays. "Accidental poisonings are the main holiday-related emergency we see," said Dr. Marcus J. Hanfling, director of the Pediatric Injury Center at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "In all the hubbub of family visits, medications often are left out or

within easy reach of children."

If you have small children, said, ask the relatives you visit to put all medications, toxic cleaning supplies and other potential hazards well out of reach of young ones. This is especially true if you're visiting a household that does not normally have children in it.

January 1 ?  
January 17 ?  
January 6 ?  
December 25 ?  
January 10 ?  
May 20 ?

### Which is the Right Date...

On each of these and on many other dates, faithful Christians have at times chosen to celebrate the birth of Christ.

Most western Christians came to celebrate the birth of Jesus on December 25 because of a pagan festival. In 274 A.D. the Roman Emperor, Aurelian, chose December 25 as a sun festival because that is when the daylight of winter begins to lengthen. Christians wanted something else to occupy them and decided to celebrate the birth of Jesus. By 336 A.D. the Philocalian Calendar indicates that many Christians were observing December 25 as the birth of the savior. Then in 350 A.D., Julius 1, the Bishop of Rome, officially proclaimed December 25 as the Nativity of our Lord.

St Augustine would observe, "...this day is held holy, not for the birth of the sun as the pagans believe, but because of Him who made it."

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## 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday

The children of F.A. (Alvin) Ulmer invite friends and relatives to attend his 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration on Saturday, December 27 at 6:00 p.m. at the Sagerton Community Center. No gifts please.

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# CRP sign-up successful

Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman announced the successful conclusion of the sixteenth sign-up period for the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP).

"Preliminary data from the field indicates that we received approximately 125,404 offers for 9,449,702 acres during the most recent CRP sign-up that concluded on Nov. 14," Glickman said.

Glickman cautioned the public that these figures are preliminary estimates only. Final numbers may vary.

"Producers continue to show interest in the CRP," said

Glickman. "I am confident this will allow the Department to continue to enroll acres that provide significant environmental benefits relative to cost."

The CRP is based on voluntary partnerships between Government and members of the public. Agricultural producers receive annual rental payments and cost-share assistance for establishing various kinds of protective cover on suitable farm property to protect and improve air, water, soil quality, and habitat for wildlife. Rents are based on local agricultural-value market rates and

acres are selected to maximize environmental benefits.

All land that is enrolled in the program must compete for acceptance based on an environmental benefit index that ensures fair and equal consideration for all offers and all types of land. Producers will be notified of acreage acceptance by early February.

The figures, taken from preliminary returns from FSA field offices, for Texas are as follows: 8,917 offers with 1,390,167 acres offered. Final sign-up figures will be released later.

# Children need good nutrition

by Lou Gilly

Haskell Co. Extension Agent  
With school under way, many children will become involved in after-school activities and school sports. During this time it is important that they receive sufficient calories and nutrients to support growth and development.

In order to get nutrients that are essential for health, a child's total diet should contain a variety of selections from all the needed nutrients, said Dr. Dymple Cooksey, a professor and Texas Agricultural Extension Service nutrition specialist.

"If your child only eats hot dogs or hamburgers, you need to incorporate more nutritious foods into their diet to promote a normal growth and well being," she said.

Vitamins are probably the most famous group of nutrients. Choosing vitamin-rich fruits and vegetables can make a big

difference in your child's overall health and should be included in any child's daily diet. Having fresh fruit or vegetable snacks is one way of making sure that your child is getting enough servings per day.

Children often find raw fruits and vegetables cut up in fun shapes or with yogurt dip more appealing than when cooked and served with meals. Getting at least five servings of either fruits or vegetables per day is a good goal to set for your child, Cooksey said.

These foods will also provide sources of carbohydrates which should provide the majority of an active youth's diet. Other sources of carbohydrates include grains and cereals.

Calcium and iron are two very important minerals that children need to obtain from their diet. Children need to keep iron stores up for periods of rapid growth, stress, injury or illness. Cooksey added that growing children also need more iron for their size because they have a higher metabolic rate. Sources of iron include dried fruit, red meat, whole grain foods, leafy green vegetables, breads and cereals.

Calcium helps to build strong bones and teeth and is also essential during this rapid stage of growth. The best sources of calcium include milk and milk

products such as cheese, yogurt or ice cream. Other sources include dried beans and nuts, green leafy vegetables and canned fish with bones.

Protein is another important nutrient that is necessary for not only growth but also for building, repairing, and replacing body cells, tissues and enzymes, Cooksey said. Some examples of protein-rich foods include fish, poultry, beef, pork, eggs, milk products, dried beans, peas, and some vegetables.

Fat is another nutrient worth mentioning because it provides almost twice as many calories as carbohydrates and protein. Besides providing energy, fats contain essential fatty acids that children need for healthy skin and proper development. Fats give certain foods flavor and do provide some vitamins necessary for health but should be consumed in moderate amounts.

When planning your child's diet, Cooksey concluded, always consider balancing their diet with a variety of foods.

"While some children may not accept all new foods incorporated into each meal, continue to expose them to new food experiences. Food habits formed now will affect the food choices they may make as an adult and a healthy child will grow to become a healthy adult."



NEW LOCATION—Chamber of Commerce members were on hand when owner Janice Payne cut the ribbon at the opening of the new location of Conner Nursery and Floral, at 418 N.1st.

## Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 1035 head of cattle at its sale on Saturday, December 13, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

Market was \$1 to \$2 higher on all classes except packer cows and bulls. Pairs, steady. Bred cows \$25 to \$50 higher.

Cows: fat, .28-.31; cutters, .30-.36; canners, .18-.28.

Bulls: bologna, .38-.45; feeder, .56-.65; utility, .36-.46.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .91-1.11; 300-400 lbs., .85-1.05; 400-500 lbs., .77-.95; 500-600 lbs., .75-.88; 600-700 lbs., .73-.84; 700-800 lbs., .70-.76; 800-up lbs., .65-.76.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .79-.89; 300-400 lbs., .73-.89; 400-500 lbs., .75-.87; 500-600 lbs., .66-.77; 600-up lbs., .65-.74.

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## Haskell Co. Gin Report

December 13, 1997	
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Haskell Co-op Gin	13,526
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O'Brien Gin	11,494
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Rochester Co-op Gin	1864
Rule	
Rule Co-op Gin	5400
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ACCT 2402.1 Principles of Accounting II 8:00-9:00 MWF  
LAB Principles of Accounting II 1:00-3:10 F

**AGRICULTURE**  
AGRI 1325.1 Marketing 9:30-11:00TTh  
AGRI 1407.1 Agronomy 10:00-11:00MWF  
LAB Agronomy 1:00-3:10M  
AGRI 2322.1 Livestock Evaluation TBA

**AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY**  
AUTO 1405.1 Automotive Engines 10:00-12:00T  
LAB Automotive Engines 1:00-5:00T  
AUTO 2407.1 Auto. Air Cond. & Cool Sys. 8:00-10:00W  
LAB Auto. Air Cond. & Cool Sys. 1:00-5:00W  
AUTO 2422.1 Adv. Topics in Auto Mech. N 6:00-8:00M  
LAB Adv. Topics in Auto Mech. (Brakes) N 6:00-10:00T  
AUTO 2554.1 Welding Techniques N 4:30-5:30 TTh  
LAB Welding Techniques N 5:30-8:40TTh

**BIOLOGY - LECTURE**  
BIOL 1322.1 Nutrition N 5:30-8:45 Th  
BIOL 1409.1 General Biology 10:00-11:00 MWF  
LAB General Biology 1:00-4:00 W  
BIOL 1409.2 General Biology 11:00-12:00 MWF  
LAB General Biology 1:30-4:45 Th  
BIOL 1409.3 General Biology 9:30-11:00 TTh  
LAB General Biology 11:00-12:30 TTh  
BIOL 2402.1 Human Anatomy/Physiology 9:30-11:00 TTh  
LAB Human Anatomy and Physiology 12:30-3:45 Th  
LAB Human Anatomy and Physiology 3:45-7:00 Th  
BIOL 2420.1 Microbiology 11:00-12:30 TTh  
LAB Microbiology 12:30-3:30 T  
BIOL 2420.2 Microbiology N 6:30-9:30 W  
LAB Microbiology Lab N 6:30-9:45 M

**BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**  
BUSI 2140.1 Special Projects TBA  
BUSI 2302.1 Business Law II 8:00-9:30TTh  
BUSI 2332.1 Employee-employer Relations 11:00-12:30 TTh

**COMPUTER AIDED GRAPHICS**  
CAGR 1104.1 Introduction to Internet 9:30-10:30TTh  
CAGR 1105.1 Intermediate Internet N 5:30-7:30 T  
CAGR 1106.1 Advanced Internet TBA  
CAGR 1415.1 Graphics Programs 9:00-10:00MW  
AND 1415.1 Graphics Programs 1:00-2:00 M  
CAGR LAB Graphics Programs 2:00-4:00 M  
CAGR 1417.1 Customizing AutoCAD N 5:30-8:30 M  
LAB 8:30-10:30 M  
CAGR 2404.1 Architectural Graphics 10:00-12:30 M  
LAB Architectural Graphics 10:00-12:30 W  
CAGR 2420.1 3D Studio N 5:30-8:30W  
LAB 3D Studio N 8:30-10:30 W

**CHEMISTRY**  
CHEM 1412.1 General Inorganic Chemistry 9:00-10:00 MWF  
LAB General Inorganic Chemistry 1:30-4:30 W

**COMPUTER INFORMATION SYSTEMS**  
COSC 1301.1 Introduction to Computers 8:00-9:00 MW  
LAB Introduction to Computers 1:00-3:10 M  
COSC 1301.2 Introduction to Computers 9:00-10:00 MW  
LAB Introduction to Computers 1:00-3:00 W  
COSC 1301.3 Introduction to Computers 8:30-9:30 TTh  
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COSC 1301.4 Introduction to Computers 9:30-10:30 TTh  
LAB Introduction to Computers 1:00-3:00 T  
COSC 1301.5 Introduction to Computers N 5:30-7:30M  
LAB Introduction to Computers N 7:30-9:30 M

**COSMETOLOGY**  
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**CRIMINAL JUSTICE**  
CRJ 1307.1 Crime In America N 6:30-9:30 Th  
CRIF 2323.1 Legal Aspects of Law Enf. N 6:30-9:30 W

**DRAMA**  
DRAM 1120.1 Rehearsal and Performance N 7:00-10:00 TTh  
DRAM 1310.1 Introduction to Theatre 1:00-4:00 W  
DRAM 1310.2 Introduction to Theatre 1:00-4:00 M  
DRAM 2336.1 Voice and Diction 11:00-12:30TTh

**ECONOMICS**  
ECON 2301.1 Principles of Economics I 11:00-12:00 MWF  
ECON 2302.1 Principles of Economics II N 6:30-9:30 W

**ENGLISH**  
ENGL 1301.1 Composition and Grammar 11:00-12:30 TTh  
ENGL 1301.2 Composition and Grammar N 6:30-9:30 T  
ENGL 1302.1 Composition and Literature 8:00-9:00 MWF  
ENGL 1302.2 Composition and Literature 9:00-10:00 MWF  
ENGL 1302.3 Composition and Literature 8:00-9:30 TTh  
ENGL 1302.4 Composition and Literature 9:30-11:00 TTh  
ENGL 1302.5 Composition and Literature N 6:30-9:45TTh  
ENGL 2323.1 Survey of British Literature 11:00-12:30 TTh  
ENGL 2323.2 Survey of British Literature N 6:30-9:30 M

**FARM AND RANCH MANAGEMENT**  
FRMG 1152.1 Intermediate Horsemanship 1:00-4:00 W  
FRMG 2322.1 Principles of Range Science 1:00-3:00 T  
LAB Principles of Range Science 1:00-3:10Th  
FRMG 2421.1 Beef Cattle Production 11:00-12:00MWF  
LAB Beef Cattle Production 1:00-4:00W  
FRMG 2554.1 Welding Techniques N 4:30-5:30TTh  
LAB Welding techniques N 5:30-8:40TTh

**GOVERNMENT**  
GOVT 2301.1 American Pol. System I 8:00-9:00 MWF  
GOVT 2302.1 American Pol. System II 12:00-1:00MWF  
GOVT 2302.2 American Pol. System II 8:00-9:30TTh  
GOVT 2302.3 American Pol. System II 11:00-12:00MWF  
GOVT 2302.4 American Pol. System II N 6:30-9:30 MWF

**HISTORY**  
HIST 1301.1 US History to 1865 8:00-9:30TTh  
HIST 1302.1 US History since 1865 8:00-9:00 MWF  
HIST 1302.2 US History since 1865 11:00-12:00 MWF  
HIST 1302.3 US History since 1865 11:00-12:30 TTh  
HIST 1302.4 US History since 1865 N 6:30-9:30 W

**MATHEMATICS**  
MATH 0301.3 Elementary Algebra 9:00-10:00MWF  
MATH 0301.4 Elementary Algebra 9:30-11:00TTh  
MATH 0302.3 Intermediate Algebra 8:00-9:30 TTh  
MATH 0302.4 Intermediate Algebra 9:30-11:00 TTh  
MATH 1314.1 College Algebra 8:00-9:00 MWF  
MATH 1314.2 College Algebra N 6:30-9:30 M  
MATH 1332.1 College Mathematics 10:00-11:00MWF  
MATH 1348.1 Analytic Geometry 10:00-11:00 MWF  
MATH 2414.1 Calculus II 11:00-12:00 MWF  
LAB Calculus II 11:00-12:05 TTh

**MICROCOMPUTER APPLICATIONS TECHNOLOGY**  
MCOT 1104.1 Introduction to Internet 9:30-10:30 TTh  
MCOT 1106.1 Advanced Internet TBA  
MCOT 1411.1 BASIC Language 8:00-9:00MW  
AND 1411.1 BASIC Language 1:00-2:00 W  
LAB BASIC Language 2:00-4:00W  
MCOT 2140.1 Special Projects 8:00-9:00 MW  
MCOT 2312.1 Principles of Spreadsheets 10:00-12:00M  
LAB Principles of Spreadsheets 10:00-12:00W

**MUSIC**  
MUSI 1151.1 Vocal Ensemble 11:00-12:30 MWF  
MUSI 1306.1 Music Appreciation 11:00-12:30 TTh  
MUSI 1301.1 Fundamentals of Music 10:00-11:00MWF

**NURSING - ASSOCIATE DEGREE AND VOCATIONAL**  
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**OFFICE TECHNOLOGY**  
OFFT 1406.1 Calculating/Acct. Applications 11:00-12:30 TTh  
LAB Calculating/Acct. Applications 1:00-4:00T  
OFFT 1415.1 Information Processing 8:00-9:30 TTh  
LAB Information Processing 1:00-3:00Th  
OFFT 2140.1 Special Projects 8:00-9:00MW  
OFFT 2418.1 Adv. WordP/Desktop Pub. 11:00-12:30 TTh  
LAB Adv. WordP/Desktop Publishing 1:00-4:00T

**PHYSICAL EDUCATION**  
PHED 1102.1 Golf 11:00-12:30 TTh  
PHED 1103.1 Tennis 11:00-12:30MW  
PHED 1105.1 Weight Training & Cond. 10:00-11:00 MWF  
PHED 1106.1 Physical Conditioning 8:00-9:00 MWF  
PHED 1109.2 Varsity Athletics (Rodeo) TBA  
PHED 1109.3 Varsity Athletics (Baseball) TBA  
PHED 1109.3 Varsity Athletics (Volleyball) TBA  
PHED 1108.4 Varsity Athletics (Softball) TBA  
PHED 1114.1 Water Aerobics 11:00-12:00MWF  
PHED 1119.1 Adaptive Physical Education TBA  
PHED 1123.1 Advanced Tennis 11:00-12:35MWF  
PHED 1125.1 Team Sports II 1:00-2:30TTh  
PHED 1131.1 Aerobic Dance 9:00-10:00MWF  
PHED 1144.1 Outdoor Education 1:00-2:45M  
LAB Outdoor Education TBA  
PHED 1304.1 Personal and Comm. Health 8:00-9:00MWF  
PHED 1306.1 First Aid and Safety 9:30-11:00TTh  
PHED 1309.1 Sports Officiating II 8:30-9:30TTh  
LAB Sports Officiating II TBA  
PHED 1346.1 Use/Abuse of Drugs 12:00-1:00MWF

**PHYSICS**  
PHYS 1402.1 Electricity, Sound and Light 12:05-1:05 MWF  
LAB Electricity, Sound and Light 12:05-1:05 TTh  
AND Electricity, Sound and Light TBA

**PSYCHOLOGY**  
PSYC 2301.1 General Psychology 10:00-11:00 MWF  
PSYC 2301.2 General Psychology 9:30-11:00TTh  
PSYC 2315.1 Psychology of Human Adj. 11:00-12:30TTh

**SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELING**  
SACO 1302.1 Drug Use and Abuse 12:00-1:00MWF  
SACO 1306.1 Issues in Substance Abuse Coun. N 6:30-9:30W  
SACO 1307.1 Interpersonal Dynamics 11:00-12:30TTh

**SOCIOLOGY**  
SOCI 1301.1 Introductory Sociology 9:00-10:00 MWF  
SOCI 1301.2 Introductory Sociology N 6:30-9:30 M

**SPANISH - LECTURE**  
SPAN 1411.1 Beginning Spanish I 11:00-12:30TTh  
SPAN 1412.1 Beginning Spanish II 9:00-10:00 MWF  
SPAN 1412.2 Beginning Spanish II 11:00-1:00MWF  
SPAN 1412.3 Beginning Spanish II N 6:30-9:30 T  
LAB 1:00-2:05 MW  
LAB 1:00-2:05 TTh  
LAB N 4:30-6:30 T  
LAB 8:15-9:20TTh

**SPEECH**  
SPCH 1315.1 Fund. of Public Speaking 9:00-10:00 MWF  
SPCH 1315.2 Fund. of Public Speaking 12:00-11:00 MWF  
SPCH 1315.3 Fund. of Public Speaking 11:00-12:30 TTh  
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## Social Security: Where do we go from here?

Last in a series of eight columns prepared about Social Security.

by Charlie Stenholm

The details of the Social Security program can get quite tedious. I appreciate the persistence of everyone who has read this series and hope you have found the information helpful. One question remains: What happens now?

In a June interview with the Wall Street Journal and again in his August press conference, President Clinton signaled his desire to "fix" Social Security in the next couple of years. In September, the President also said that increasing the payroll tax was not a desirable option as a means of funding the reform efforts. I am encouraged that he appears willing

to undertake this task soon.

In Congress, support for Social Security reform varies. Many see the need for changes in the program and are advocating a complete privatization of the system. Others acknowledge the looming financial difficulties facing the program but feel we should supplement the existing program, creating a kind of two-tiered system of benefits. Still others deny that there are any problems that an increase in the payroll tax can't resolve. I support the two-tiered option and look forward to the upcoming congressional debates.

We must work, however, to improve the nation's willingness to face these issues. We need to see that all Americans have the facts so they can make informed decisions about the program's future. That's what happened at our Social Security summit in Abilene in May. Of the 200 individuals in attendance, about half were over and half under the age of 65. After spending time learning about the future of the program, participants were asked to complete a survey.

Here are some of the results.

•73% expressed some level of fear about achieving a secure retirement.

•68% believed that America's young people will be facing a major financial crisis and significantly higher taxes because

of current and future spending on older generations.

•68% believed that Social Security is in need of either major repair or a complete overhaul.

•53% expressed some level of support for converting Social Security to a privatized pension program, similar to IRAs.

•53% indicated some level of opposition to increasing current payroll taxes as a means of preventing Social Security bankruptcy.

•53% indicated some level of agreement with the following statement: "Social Security was created for the 20th Century, but times have changed and Social Security is now hopelessly outdated."

•45% acknowledged that the most important aspect of Social Security is that it provides economic security for seniors.

These figures show that, when provided with all the information, most people believe we should adjust the existing program in some way. I agree with them.

I have enjoyed the opportunity to share Social Security information with you over the last several weeks. Most experts believe that the Social Security reform debate will begin in earnest next year. In the coming months I will be asking for guidance from my constituents on the types of Social Security reform legislation they want their Representative to promote in Congress. An educated constituent is my best advisor.

Rep. Charles Stenholm represents the 17th Congressional District of Texas. He Co-Chairs the House Public Pension Reform Caucus.

## Feed a cold or starve a fever?

Feed a cold, starve a fever. Or is it: starve a cold feed a fever?

The "old wives" might argue about when to feed. Chicken soup—whether from the Campbell's can, the Lipton packet or Grandma's old-country recipe—has been the home remedy of choice among ailing bodies around the globe for thousands of years. In the United States, most store-bought chicken soup—about 60 percent—is purchased during the height of flu season. Even the ancient Egyptians used the golden liquid as a curative, says Michael Gold, MD, a general internist at The Methodist Hospital, adding that his grandmother swore by it.

What is it about the salty broth—served piping hot with rice, matzo balls or noodles of every description—that makes it such a reliable healer of minor ills? Although he acknowledges certain other benefits (not the least of which is comforting familiarity), Gold thinks that hydration is the most important factor.

Staying well-hydrated is important when we're sick and, especially, feverish. Chicken soup not only offers the fluids ailing bodies crave, but also provides a good amount of sodium to help us retain those all-important fluids.

In addition, the chicken has protein, something everybody needs to stay healthy, but very little fat. "Sick people have trouble digesting fat," says Gold. "Chicken soup,

with the fat skimmed off is easily digestible."

The protein in the soothing soup includes amino acids, which help our bodies repair tissues and synthesize enzymes, and hemoglobin—the major iron in meat—which aids in the transfer of oxygen throughout the body. Furthermore, the hot liquid, sipped directly from a cup or bowl (forge the spoon), has the ability to clear clogged sinuses, if only for a half hour or so.

But beyond providing lots of emotional comfort along with some relief from a few physical symptoms, chicken soup's curative effects are probably all in the mind. "It has no antibiotic value," Gold confirms.

In fact, its main advantage may be that it makes us feel a little better when we're laid up and relegated to watching syndicated talk shows, too weak and dispirited even to pick up the remote control. In addition to providing the physical comforts borne of adequate hydration, iron and amino acids, chicken soup—mild, familiar and unthreatening, (unlike daytime talk shows) provides, above all, food for the soul.

Even Gold, who questions the medicinal value of the nurturing liquid, inevitably turns to his grandmother's old standby when he's under the weather. "I drink it all the time when I'm sick," he admits. "I put garlic and Tabasco in it."

## Pneumonia vaccine saves lives

Thousands of lives are being lost every year because people are unaware of a readily available vaccine.

It is the vaccine for pneumococcal pneumonia, an illness that annually claims thousands of lives, mostly adults older than 65 but also very young children and people with certain chronic illnesses.

Too few people even know about the vaccine, said Dr. Daniel M. Musher, an infectious-disease expert at Houston's Baylor College of Medicine and Veterans Affairs Medical Center.

"The sad fact is that many people whose lives could be saved by the pneumonia vaccine do not get inoculated because they are unaware of it and they are not pressured by their physicians to take it," Musher said.

"Research has shown that people are more likely to get inoculated against pneumonia if their doctors recommend it," he said, "and, though the numbers of those getting the vaccine are rising, there are still too many people who need it but are unaware of it."

The vaccine is also important, Musher said, for people with lung disease, heart disease and any kind

of immune-system disorder, including HIV infection.

"People who have had their spleens removed are especially susceptible to pneumococcal infection and must be vaccinated," he said. The spleen helps clear bacteria from the blood, and its absence leaves a person prey to pneumonia infections.

At one time it was widely believed that the beneficial effects of pneumonia vaccine persisted for a lifetime, but, Musher said, research at Houston's VAMC has shown that vaccination probably should be repeated at five- to 10-year intervals.

For people without spleens, Musher recommends revaccination every five years.

Young children are also especially susceptible to pneumonia, Musher said, but the vaccine is not effective in people younger than 2.

While pneumonia is not generally a major killer of otherwise-healthy people between toddler age and 65, Musher said, "I personally have had every member of my family vaccinated against pneumococcal infection. It can't hurt, and it may well save a life."

## Fire hazard probably most serious plant threat

During the season of decking the halls with boughs of holly and poinsettias, we're sometimes concerned about the dangers of toxic plants, especially to kids and pets.

However, according to horticulturist Dr. Doug Welsh, neither holly nor poinsettias are poisonous. Researchers at Ohio State University studied several years just to make sure. In fact, Welsh says, some varieties have berries that make into delicious jelly.

Although it may not kill you, putting mistletoe in your mouth will hurt you, causing stomach upset. This can be especially hard on young children. In general, animals are much less sensitive to plant materials than humans are, but Dr. Welsh advises keeping them away from mistletoe as well.

Actually, Welsh says, the most danger from the live Christmas tree is the fire hazard it poses. Keeping the tree in water and away from fireplaces and other heat sources is advised.

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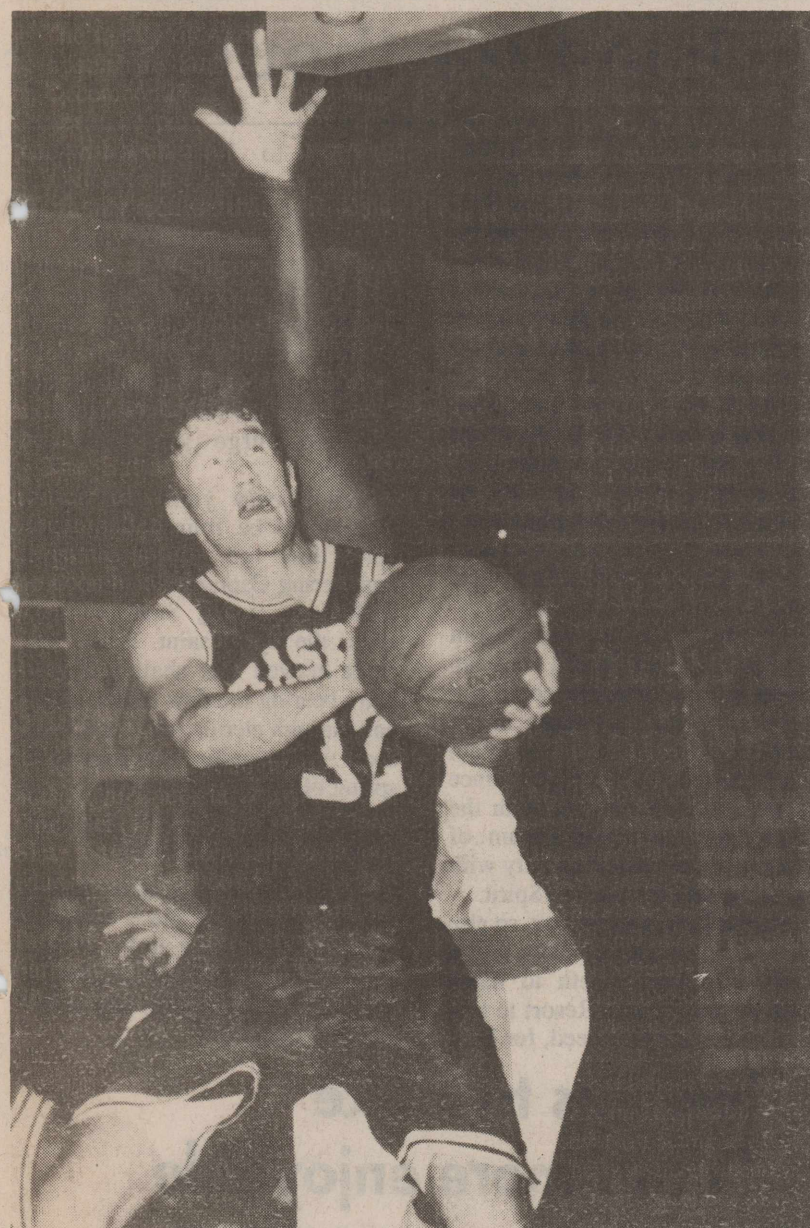
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**BASKET IN VIEW**—Haskell Indian #32, Trey Cheyne, eyes another two points in the 64-57 win against the Stamford Bulldogs.

Photo by Bill Blankenship

## Sagerton News

By Dorothy M. Clark

Today is the day for the Friendship Club Christmas dinner held at Faith Lutheran Church. The Alvin Ulmers will provide the turkey and ladies of the community are to bring the "trimmings".

The family of Alvin Ulmer will be hosting his 80th birthday party on December 27 at the Community Center. The party will begin at 6 p.m. with a chili supper. Everyone is invited to the special occasion. The family requests that there be no gifts...only your presence!

Margaret Wendeborn has been visiting in Kerrville with her mother, Mrs. Mahood who just celebrated her 95th birthday. Congratulations to Mrs. Mahood and best wishes for a good year ahead.

The Baitz family met in the home of Mae and Leon Stegemoeller Saturday for their Christmas get-together. Following the noon meal, the group had a gift exchange and enjoyed table games. Family members present included Ruby and George Olson of San

### Students visit Rotary

Kristina Lane, daughter of Joel and Kaye Lane, is active in UIL One Act Plays, band, the Clean Slate Organization, and is layout editor of the yearbook.

Her hobbies are chatting on the Internet, reading, drama and participating in her youth group. She is a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

Special awards she has received are the National Honor Society, being named in Who's Who, and Quill and Scroll.

After high school Kristina plans to attend Texas Tech University, majoring in dramatic arts.

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Andrea Callaway likes reading science fiction, roller blading, surfing the Web and sports cars.

The daughter of Hollis and Judy Callaway, she is a member of East Side Baptist Church.

Her school activities include being president of the Clean Slate Organization, yearbook art editor, and participating in the UIL One Act Plays and band.

Andrea's plans after high school are to attend Texas Tech University, majoring in advertising.

Angelo, Leslie and Kay Baitz of Leander, Mother, Emma Raphael of Stamford, Melvin and Annella Baitz and Dorothy and Joe Clark. The Olsons spent the night Friday with George's sister, Frances of Stamford. From here, they went to Barnhart where they had a Christmas dinner with the J. C. and Patsy Schroeder family.

Readers are invited to come to our little community to see the beautiful decorations. Frances Clark and the G.W. LeFevre's work hard each year to "light up" the town and others in the community have followed suit. Lights on the 30 foot flagpole in the shape of a Christmas tree can be seen at the Joe Clark home along with other decorations. Other homes in the town and surrounding countryside provide a festive air for all to see.

### Pain may be eliminated for millions

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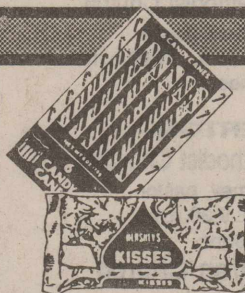
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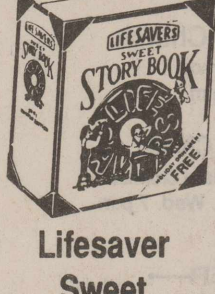
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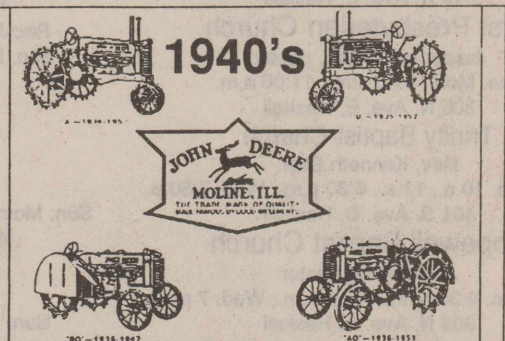
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recognize the importance of giving during the holiday season and welcome opportunities to support our community," Carol Posey, Haskell branch manager, explained. "We are proud to work with the Haskell Goodfellows on the toy drive and assist with this very worthwhile cause," Posey said. Visitors dropping off their toy donations on the Dec. 19 are invited to enjoy refreshments from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the bank's holiday open house.

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## Food for thought

by Charles H. Spurgeon  
 "Thou art from everlasting."

Christ is everlasting. Of him we may sing with David, "Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever." Rejoice, believer, in Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, to-day, and for ever. Jesus always was.

The Babe born in Bethlehem was united to the Word, which was in the beginning, by whom all things were made. The title by which Christ revealed himself to John Patmos was, "Him which is, and which was, and which is to come."

If he were not God from everlasting, we could not so devoutly love him; we could not feel that he had any share in the eternal love which is the fountain of all covenant blessings; but since he was from all eternity with the Father, we trace the stream of divine love to himself equally with his Father and the blessed Spirit.

As our Lord always was, so also he is for evermore. Jesus is not dead: "He ever liveth to make intercession for us." Resort to him in all your times of need, for he is

waiting to bless you still. Moreover, Jesus our Lord ever shall be. If God should spare your life to fulfil your full day of threescore years and ten, you will find that his cleansing fountain is still opened, and his precious blood has not lost its power; you shall find that the Priest who filled the healing fount with his own blood, lives to purge you from all iniquity.

When only your last battle remains to be fought, you shall find that the hand of your conquering Captain has not grown feeble—the living Saviour shall cheer the dying saint. When you enter heaven you shall find him there bearing the dew of his youth; and through eternity the Lord Jesus shall still remain the perennial spring of joy, and life, and glory to his people. Living waters may you draw from this sacred well!

Jesus always was, he always is, he always shall be. He is eternal in all his attributes, in all his offices, in all his might, and willingness to bless, comfort, guard, and crown his chosen people.

## This Week's Devotional Message:

LET US SAY A PRAYER FOR THE RIGHTS OF ALL MANKIND



We in this country take our freedom so much for granted that we tend to forget those unfortunate souls in other parts of the world who are not allowed to enjoy the rights and privileges that we have guaranteed to us by the Constitution. We can live and work where we choose, say and write what we choose, meet with anyone whenever we choose and go where we choose; even if we choose to leave the

country, for a visit or for good. We can also worship God as we choose, with no interference from the government. We should exercise that right on a regular basis, and particularly at this happy time of the year; remembering those who cannot share that happiness with us. Let us help them any way we can and pray for them, that they may one day enjoy with us the blessings of liberty that are such a vital part of our own lives.

### ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

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| <p><b>HASKELL</b></p> <p><b>East Side Baptist Church</b><br/>             David Page, pastor<br/>             Sun. 8:30 a.m., 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.<br/>             600 N. 1st East, Haskell</p> <p><b>Christian Church</b><br/>             Dusty Garrison, minister<br/>             Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.<br/>             107 N. Ave. F, Haskell</p> <p><b>Church of God</b><br/>             Eric Clark, pastor • 864-2021<br/>             Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m.<br/>             East Hwy 380, Haskell</p> <p><b>Trinity Lutheran Church</b><br/>             Gary Bruns, pastor<br/>             Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30<br/>             Hwy 380 East, Haskell</p> <p><b>Iglesia Bautista El Calvario</b><br/>             Vergil Smith, interim pastor<br/>             Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.<br/>             607 S. 7th, Haskell</p> <p><b>First United Methodist Church</b><br/>             Shane Brue, pastor<br/>             Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:50 a.m. 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.<br/>             201 N. Ave. F, Haskell</p> <p><b>First Assembly of God</b><br/>             Rev. J.C. Amburn<br/>             Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.<br/>             1500 N. Ave. E, Haskell</p> <p><b>St. George Catholic Church</b><br/>             Father Michael Melcher<br/>             Sat. Mass 7:15 p.m.; Sun. Morn. 9:00 a.m.<br/>             901 N. 16th, Haskell</p> <p><b>Church of Christ</b><br/>             Dale Huff, minister<br/>             Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 10:30 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.<br/>             510 N. Ave. E, Haskell</p> <p><b>First Presbyterian Church</b><br/>             Jasper McClellan, pastor<br/>             Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 11:00 a.m.<br/>             306 N. Ave. E, Haskell</p> <p><b>Trinity Baptist Church</b><br/>             Rev. Kenneth Blair<br/>             Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.<br/>             401 S. Ave. D, Haskell</p> <p><b>Hopewell Baptist Church</b><br/>             John Lewis, pastor<br/>             Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.<br/>             908 N. Ave. A, Haskell</p> | <p><b>Greater Independent Baptist Church</b><br/>             Rev. Camellia Wade, pastor<br/>             Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.<br/>             301 N. 3rd St., Haskell</p> <p><b>New Covenant Foursquare</b><br/>             Freddy Perez, pastor<br/>             Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.<br/>             200 S. Ave. F, Haskell</p> <p><b>Mission Revival Center</b><br/>             Rev. William Hodge<br/>             Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m.<br/>             1600 N. Ave. B, Haskell</p> <p><b>First Baptist Church</b><br/>             Jim Turner, pastor<br/>             Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.<br/>             301 N. Ave. E, Haskell</p> <p><b>Church in the Park</b><br/>             Rev. Tim and Suzann Townsend<br/>             Sun. Morn. 10:30 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.<br/>             Gazebo or Pavillion</p> | <p><b>Union Chapel Baptist Church</b><br/>             Rev. Andrew Rochester<br/>             Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>Faith Chapel of Rochester</b><br/>             Katherine Byrd, minister<br/>             Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m.<br/>             Hwy 6, Rochester</p> <p><b>First United Methodist Church</b><br/>             Dolan Brinson, pastor<br/>             Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.<br/>             Rochester</p>   |
| <p><b>PAINT CREEK</b></p> <p><b>Paint Creek Baptist Church</b><br/>             Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.<br/>             Paint Creek</p>   | <p><b>WEINERT</b></p> <p><b>First Baptist Church</b><br/>             Joel Rister, pastor<br/>             Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>Weinert Methodist Church</b><br/>             Rev. James Patterson<br/>             Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.<br/>             Weinert</p> <p><b>Weinert Foursquare Church</b><br/>             Rev. Joyce Goossen and Rev. Diane Crownover<br/>             Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.<br/>             Weinert</p>  | <p><b>RULE</b></p> <p><b>First Baptist Church</b><br/>             Scott Hensley, pastor<br/>             Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.<br/>             1001 Union Ave., Rule</p> <p><b>Primitive Baptist Church</b><br/>             Dale Turner Jr., pastor<br/>             First &amp; Third Sundays 10 a.m.<br/>             Corner of 8th &amp; Robins, Rule</p> <p><b>Church of Christ</b><br/>             John Greeson, minister<br/>             Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.<br/>             811 Union, Rule</p> <p><b>First United Methodist Church</b><br/>             Daniel Ramey, pastor<br/>             Sun. Morn. 10:50 a.m., 6 p.m.<br/>             1000 Union Ave., Rule</p> <p><b>New Life Baptist Mission</b><br/>             Jesus Herrera<br/>             Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.<br/>             Elm Street-Hwy 380 E, Rule</p> <p><b>Sweet Home Baptist Church</b><br/>             Matt Herrington, pastor<br/>             Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.<br/>             Gladstone Ave., Rule</p> <p><b>West Bethal Baptist Church</b><br/>             Rev. Robert Sweet<br/>             Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.<br/>             300 Sunny Ave., Rule</p> |

## A few tips to make holidays more enjoyable

Remembering that "less is more" can help put the "Happy" in "Happy Holidays."  
 "There is so much pressure, especially on women, during the holiday season. When added to job and family responsibilities, the holidays can become daunting," said Dr. Nancy Warren, a psychologist at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.  
 "Remember that less is more: more relaxed, more enjoyable, more intimate, more time with the

family," Warren said.  
 To help make the holidays less hectic, Warren recommends:  
 • Alternating years for favorite holiday projects, such as party-giving one year and doing extra baking the next.  
 • Relaxing about decorating: Is it a home or a showpiece?  
 • Involving the family in shopping, decorating and baking.  
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**NEW LAW COMPLICATES CAPITAL GAINS TAXES**

The capital gains tax cut contained in the *Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997* was welcome news to most taxpayers. It lowered the maximum capital gains tax rate from 28% to 20%. The 15% capital gains rate that applied to people in the lowest tax bracket was lowered to 10%. There was no change in the maximum rate for long-term profits on collectibles; it remained at 28%. An additional rate of 25% was created for depreciation recapture on certain real estate sales. To further complicate things, the new law provides for different length holding periods at which the various rates apply. For 1997 sales of capital assets, the holding period and rate that applies will differ depending on the date of the sale in relation to two effective dates in the law—May 7 and July 29.

How to net capital gains and losses with such a variety of holding periods, sale date cutoffs, and tax rates was not dealt with in the original legislation. A technical corrections bill gives guidance on how capital losses are to be netted against capital gains. Long-term capital gains are to be grouped by tax rates, and losses for each long-term tax rate group are to first offset gains within that group. If a long-term tax rate group has a new loss, that loss will be used to offset net gain for the highest long-term tax rate group. Any remaining loss will offset the gain in the next highest long-term tax rate group, and so on. A carryover of net long-term capital loss from a prior year will be used first to offset net gain for the long-term highest tax rate group, and so on. Net losses with holding periods of one year or less are to first offset net gains for the highest long-term tax rate group, then the next highest, and so on.

If this sounds confusing, it is. For assistance with your capital gains tax planning for both 1997 and 1998, and for assistance in reporting 1997 transactions, please contact us. We are here to help.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
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An election will be held on Monday, December 29, 1997 at the Double Mountain Coach ofice, located at 307 South 1st Street in Haskell, Texas. The purpose of the election will be to elect a new member to the Board of Directors of the Aspermont Small Business Development Center, Inc. All interested Haskell County residents are encouraged to participate. 51c

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In the County Court of Haskell County, Texas  
PUBLISHED NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Ida A. Harris, Deceased, were issued on December 8, 1997, Docket Number 3957, pending in the County Court of Haskell County, Texas, to Rose W. Lyon. The residence of the Independent Executrix is in El Cajon, California, and the mailing address is: Estate of Ida A. Harris, Deceased, c/o Rose W. Lyon, 1533 Dumar, El Cajon, California 92019 or Shane Hadaway, Attorney at Law, P. O. Box 995, Haskell, Texas 79521.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Dated the 9th day of December, 1997.

Shane Hadaway, Attorney at Law, P. O. Box 995, Haskell, Texas 79521. Phone 940-864-2434, Fax 940-864-8510. State Bar No. 00784189. Attorney for the Estate. 51c

**NOTICE OF ESTRAY**  
Date: December 10, 1997  
PERSON REPORTING ESTRAY: Dan Griffith  
LOCATION OF ESTRAY WHEN FOUND: Paint Creek area.

**LOCATION OF ESTRAY WHILE IMPOUNDED:** Paint Creek Ranch, Billy Lamb.

**DESCRIPTION OF ESTRAY:** Kind of animal, cross bred steer; Breed, mix breed; Color, brendle; Sex, steer; Age, yearling; Size, 650 pounds; Brands, mark, identifying

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Notice is hereby given that, if the ownership of said estray is not determined by the 3rd day of January, 1998, said estray will be sold at public auction at Haskell Livestock Auction.

Johnny L. Mills  
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## Basketball scores

**Boys**  
Haskell 64, Stamford 57  
Scoring by quarters; 14, 17, 19, 14. Individual scoring; Spells 6, Nichols 11, Briles 10, Ortiz 7, Cheyne 28, Everett 2.

JV Score: Stamford 36, Haskell 29.  
**Catclaw Invitational**  
Sweetwater 69, Haskell 42  
Scoring by quarters; 5, 10, 12, 15. Individual scoring; C. Earles 0

0-20, Robert Spells 2 0-2 4, Cy McGuire 0 0-0 0, T. Nichols 2 1-2 6, Jason Briles 3 3-8 9, Gavino Ortiz 8 4-6 21, Trey Cheyne 0 2-2 2, Erik Everett 0 0-0 0, Shane Steele 0 0-1 0. Totals 15 10-23 42. 3-point goals; Nichols and Ortiz 1 each.

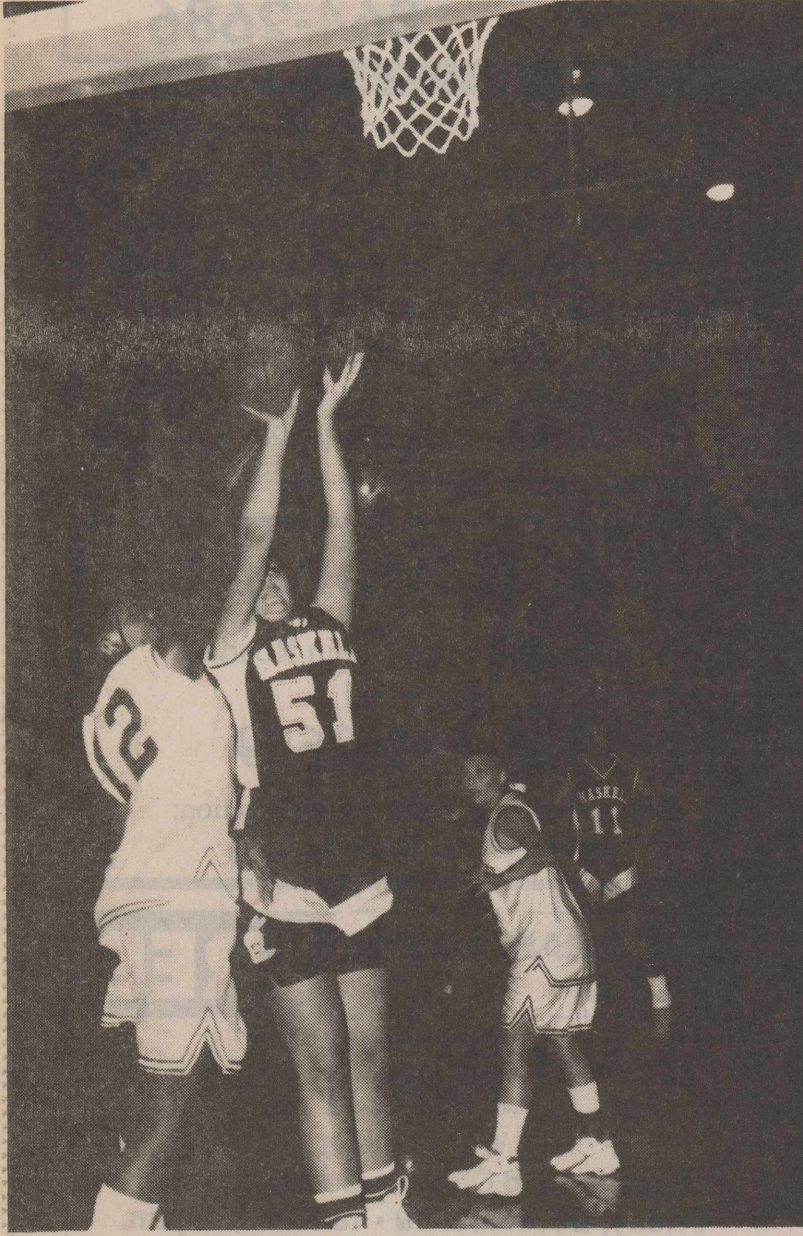
Haskell 49, Hawley 40.  
Scoring by quarters; 14, 8, 14, 13. Individual C. Earles 0 1-2 1, Robert Spells 2 2-3 6, T. Nichols 4 2-2 10, Jason Briles 0 0-1 0, Gavino Ortiz 6 0-0 13, Trey Cheyne 5 3-4 13, Erik Everett 1 0-0 2, Shane Steele 2 0-1 4. Totals, 20 8-13 49. 3-point goals; Ortiz, 1.

**Girls**  
Haskell 63, Stamford 51  
Scoring by quarters; 18, 18, 6, 21. Individual scoring; Comedy 6, Alvarez 6, Gonzales 2, Tidrow 2, Burgess 4, Rodela 10, McKenzie 16, Bartley 17.  
JV score; Stamford 56, Haskell 53.

**Catclaw Invitational**  
Haskell 53, Hawley 43  
Scoring by quarters; 16, 14, 9, 14. Individual scoring; J. J. Comedy 0 2-4 2, Wendy Gray 4 0-0 12, Nicky McCulloch 0 0-1 0, Melanie Alvarez 1 2-2 4, Sherita Tidrow 2 0-0 4, Kimberly Burgess 2 0-0 4, Misty Rodela 4 0-2 8, Shayne McKenzie 7 0-0 14, Brittany Bartley 2 1-3 5. Totals 22 5-12 53. 3 point goals; Gray 4.

Wylie 52, Haskell 34  
Scoring by quarters; 6, 11, 6, 11.

Individual scoring; J. J. Comedy 0 0-0 0, Wendy Gray 0 0-0 0, Nicky McCulloch 0 0-0 0, Melanie Alvarez 1 1-2 3, Creora Tatum 0 0-0 0, Rosalinda Gonzales 0 2-4 2, Sherita Tidrow 0 0-0 0, Kimberly Burgess 0 0-0 0, Misty Rodela 2 3-6 7, Shayne McKenzie 5 4-9 14, Brittany Bartley 4 0-0 8. Totals 12 10-21 34.



**STRETCHING FOR TWO—#51 Brittany Bartley goes up to put in two points against the Lady Bulldogs during the Maidens 65-51 win over Stamford.**  
Photo by Bill Blankenship

## Pecan Show winners named

by Greg Kaase  
Haskell Co. Extension Agent  
The Haskell County Pecan Show was held on Tues., Dec. 9, at the Haskell County Courthouse. Pecan Show Judge, Gary Bomar evaluated the 23 samples in this year's show. A total of nine different pecan varieties made up the show.

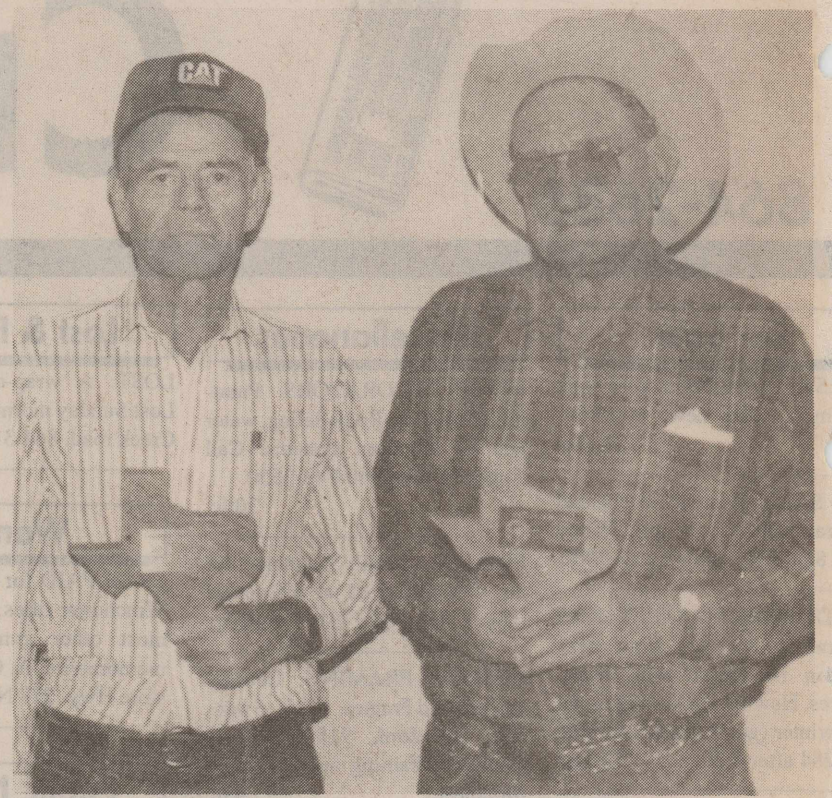
The Classic Division consisted of three varieties: Barton, Burnett and Variety Seedlings. The Commercial Division consisted of Cheyenne, Choctaw, Mohawk, Schley, Stuart and Wichita.

Results were as follows:  
Burrket: 1. Elna Weise.  
Seedling: 1. Lewis Thomas, 2. Bart Parham, 3. Albert Barnett, and 4. Eric Markunas.  
Barton: 1. Lewis Thomas.  
Champion Classic: Barton, Lewis Thomas.  
Schley: 1. Lewis Thomas.  
Choctaw: 1. James Raughton.  
Mohawk: 1. James Raughton and 2. Albert Barnett.

Wichita: 1. Bud Turnbow and 2. Joe H. Davis.  
Stuart: 1. Opal Letterman, 2. Albert Barnett, 3. Eric Markunas, 4. Elna Weise, and 5. Bud Turnbow.

Cheyenne: 1. Bud Turnbow.  
Champion Commercial: Cheyenne, Bud Turnbow.  
Grand Champion Reserve: Opal Letterman.

Other exhibitors were Cliff McGuire, Gaston Tidrow and Leonard Weise. Committee members were Albert Barnett, R.F. Coston, David Davis, Joe H. Davis, George Fouts, Bart Parham, Lewis Thomas, Bud Turnbow and Bo Whitaker.



**PECAN SHOW WINNERS—Lewis Thomas, right, received the Champion Classic, Barton variety award, and Bud Turnbow, received the Champion Commercial, Cheyenne variety award.**

## Rule 4-H Club sings Christmas carols

The Rule 4-H club traveled to the Rice Springs Care Home in Haskell on Dec. 9 to sing Christmas carols. The group included MacKenzie Miller, Lisa Caddell, Miranda Robertson, Sam Kittley, Laci Standefer, Kortney Kupatt, Abby Dudensing and

Emery Dudensing. Others were Kelsy Miller, Molly Dudensing, Jenny Dudensing and Jordan Baitz. After the group enjoyed singing, they stopped by Dairy Queen for a treat. The 4-Her's will meet Jan. 13.

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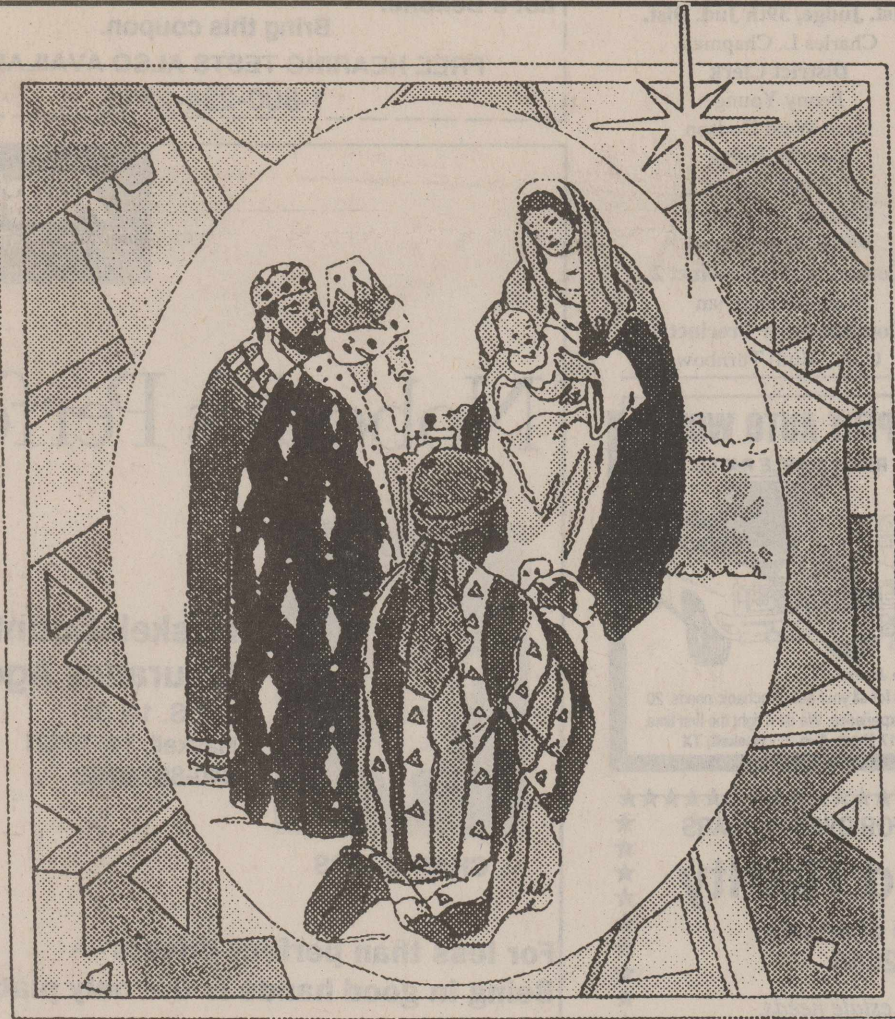
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