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Basketball games

Haskell
JV-VG vs Olney
Fri., 6 p.m. at Haskell
JV-VGB vs Seymour
Wed., 4 p.m. at Seymour

Haskell 7th, 8th & 9th
Haskell vs. Olney
Mon., 4:30 p.m.
Girls There, Boys Here

Paint Creek
Lueders-Avoca Tournament
Jan. 8-10 at Avoca TBA
P. C. vs Lueders-Avoca
Wed., 6:00 at Paint Creek

Paint Creek Junior High
PC vs. Rochester
Thurs., 6:00 p.m. at
Paint Creek

Calendar

Turner to retire

Native banker, Abe Turner, will retire in February from a 40-year banking career. A retirement reception will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. Sat., Jan. 17 at the First National Bank in Haskell. Friends and customers are invited to the reception hosted by the bank's board of directors, officers and employees.

Hamburger supper

The Kiwanis Club of Haskell will sponsor a hamburger supper benefiting the Haskell Co. Child Welfare Board Fri., Jan. 16 from 6:00 to 6:30 p.m. at the Haskell High School cafeteria prior to the holiday basketball game. Tickets are \$4 and may be purchased at Haskell National Bank, First National Bank of Haskell, Sport-out or from any Kiwanis Club member.

Retired teachers

Members of the Haskell Co. Retired Teachers Association are reminded to report community service hours worked in 1997 to Mrs. Ruby Faye Norman before Jan. 23. Mrs. Norman is the county-wide chairperson for community service for the organization. Mrs. Norman may be reached at 610 Union Ave., Suite, TX 79547 or by calling 997-73.

Partners for Children

Partners for Children will begin the new year with a celebration of healthy families. A dinner is planned for Jan. 13 at Haskell Elementary School for students and parents of any child in the Haskell School system. The meal begins at 6 p.m. Parents need to notify the school of the number of family members planning to attend. Deadline is Fri., Jan. 9.

Social Security

A representative from the Social Security Administration will be in Haskell at the City Hall Annex today, Thurs., Jan. 8 at 10:30 a.m.

Immunization clinic

The Texas Dept. of Health will hold an immunization clinic at the Haskell American Legion Hall Jan. 16 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 3 p.m. Flu shots are still available. For more information call, 915-773-5681.

Booster Club

The Haskell Indian Booster Club will meet Thurs., Jan. 8 at 7 p.m. in the fieldhouse. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

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PLAYING SANTA—Members of the Haskell Student Council helped pack boxes for the Goodfellows project before Christmas. Shown helping with the community service project are Anna Rieger, Jessica Rieger, Vanessa Miller, Amy Burson and Kaki Stapleton. Linda Haynes, Haskell County Child Welfare Board, helped the students pack the boxes. The Goodfellows project delivered 54 baskets to Haskell residents. Donnie Rieger, Haskell Lions Club representative, also helped pack and deliver the baskets.

February referendum to decide boll weevil eradication program fate

Cotton farmers and landowners with cotton production will decide in a Feb. 27 referendum whether a boll weevil eradication program should continue in the 23-county Rolling Plains Central Boll Weevil Eradication Zone.

Changes in the law made by the 75th Legislature require a retention referendum be held allowing eligible voters to confirm they want to continue a boll weevil eradication program in the zone. In addition, voters will elect a board member from the zone to serve on the statewide board of directors for the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Inc.

Cotton producers who farm in the zone and who have grown cotton for at least seven years may place their names on the Feb. 27 ballot for the board member position. Those wishing to be placed on the ballot must fill out a form and have it postmarked by Jan. 28 to the Texas Department of Agriculture at P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas, 78711 or fax the form to (512) 463-1104.

Nomination forms are available at local county extension service offices; the Texas Department of Agriculture in Austin at (800) 835-5832 or (512) 463-7476; and the

Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation office in Abilene at (800) 687-1212 or (915) 672-2800.

Growers in the Rolling Plains Central Zone initially approved a boll weevil eradication program Dec. 1, 1994 and a maximum assessment of \$10 per land acre to fund it. The assessment rate will continue at that level.

Unlike establishment referenda where two-thirds of all voters must approve a proposition, a majority of those returning ballots will determine whether an eradication program will continue. The Texas Department of Agriculture will mail ballots to all eligible voters in the zone in early February.

The Feb. 27 election for the zone was established by new legislation that corrects constitutional problem found by the Texas Supreme Court with the statewide boll weevil eradication program. However, TDA takes on additional responsibilities that include setting new elections on assessments and eradication programs in regional zones and appointing advisory committees for each zone.

Counties in the Rolling Plains

Entry forms needed

by Greg Kaase
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
4-H'ers exhibiting 4-H livestock projects at the Haskell Co. Junior Livestock Show need to fill out entry forms by Fri., Jan. 23. Entry forms and fees need to be turned into the Haskell County Extension Office located at 101 South Ave. D. in Haskell.

4-H'ers should be receiving their

entry forms in the mail, but additional entry forms can be picked up at the Haskell County Extension office.

FFA members need to turn in their entry forms to their Ag. Science Teacher, by Fri., Jan. 23.

Each livestock project will need a completed entry form on file in order to participate in the Haskell Co. Jr. Livestock Show.

Goodfellows Donations

Christian Church	\$100
Total this week	\$100
Previous total	\$1075.75
Total to date	\$1175.75

A total of 54 baskets were delivered.

Career Stop to open Thursday

The Haskell Career Stop, a branch of the West Central Texas Workforce Center, will open Thurs., Jan. 8 at 10 a.m. The office is located at the Department of Human Services, 402 N. First.

Citizens are invited to drop by and visit the Career Stop and explore its many resources. Career Stop will offer a wide array of services for job search and career

exploration including TWC's Job Express, the Governor's Job Bank and America's Job Bank.

Interactive software will be available as well as services to help produce professional resumes.

Services are available to all citizens. Questions concerning services offered by the Career Stop may be answered by calling 940-864-2694.

Commissioners to purchase heat pump

In a regular meeting held Dec. 23, the Haskell County Commissioners Court voted to buy a heat pump unit for the County Clerk's record room vault. The record were endangered recently when a gas heater went out and filled the record vault room with gas fumes. The heat pump should help eliminate the high possibility of fire.

Also discussed was the

feasibility of applying for a grant to build a reunion hall at the Anchor. County Judge David Davis will check into grant availabilities and report to the Court, who will then decide if building the hall is feasible.

Sheriff Johnny Mills received permission to purchase two light bars for the deputies' cars at a cost of \$225 each. Delivery date for the new Sheriff's car is Jan. 19.

Paint Creek to offer TAAS/TEAMS exit tests

The spring administration of the exit level Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) and the Texas Educational Assessment of Minimum skills (TEAMS) tests will be conducted at the Paint Creek School on these dates: March 3 Writing; March 4 Math; and March 5 Reading.

As part of the spring exit level testing, individuals who have completed all graduation requirements but have not mastered all three sections of the TAAS or both sections of the TEAMS tests

will be permitted to take the appropriate section(s) of the tests.

Out-of-school individuals are required to register in advance for these tests. Registration packets can be obtained from the counselor at Paint Creek School, Gerre Larned. Examinees are required to have their completed registration forms received in Iowa City, Iowa, no later than 5 p.m., Jan. 30, 1998, in order to test in March. They will be permitted to select the testing site at which they will take the test.

Contact Gerre Larned for more information at 940-864-2471.

Ag census forms to begin appearing in mail

Report forms for the 1997 Census of Agriculture will soon appear in the mailboxes of farmers and ranchers across the country, and Bob Stallman, president of the Texas Farm Bureau, encourages Texas producers to participate.

"Ag Census forms have been mailed to more than 295,000 individual producers statewide," said Stallman. "The 1997 Census will provide a detailed picture of the changes in agriculture since the last Census in 1992."

The current Census will focus on the number of farms in the United States, farm size, operator characteristics, crop and livestock production, agricultural product sales, and production expenses of

farmers and ranchers.

"All answers provided in the Census are considered confidential and will be used only for statistical purposes," said Stallman. "This Census will provide benchmark agricultural statistics for decision making for the next five years for the U.S., for Texas and for each of the nation's 3,100 counties."

Completed forms should be mailed back by Feb. 2, in the postage-paid envelopes provided. Farmers and ranchers who do not respond by Feb. 2 will receive follow-up letters and phone calls reminding them to report.

Farmers and ranchers can receive more information by calling a toll-free number, 1-888-4AG-STAT.

Haskell Co. Horse Clinic set Jan. 20

by Greg Kaase
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
A Haskell County Horse Clinic will be held Tues., Jan. 20, at the Haskell County Livestock Show Barn. The clinic will start at 6:00 p.m. with a free meal sponsored by Fort Dodge Animal Health.

Topics which will be covered include Horse Health Care (Vaccination Programs), Horse Nutrition, and Horse Theft/Identification. A live fire brand demonstration will be held. The clinic is sponsored by the

Haskell County Extension Agricultural Committee, Scott Williamson of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association and Fort Dodge Animal Health.

Individuals interested in attending this clinic need to RSVP to the Haskell County Extension Office at (940) 864-2658 by Mon., Jan. 12. If you have any questions, please contact Greg Kaase, County Extension Agent-Ag at 101 South Ave. D. in Haskell.



JASON HOBGOOD

Jason Hobgood named to Big Country team

Jason Hobgood, Haskell Indian football player, was named to the All-Big Country Class 2A defensive football team recently.

The 195-lb. junior lineman is the son of Bobby and Debbie Hobgood of Haskell.

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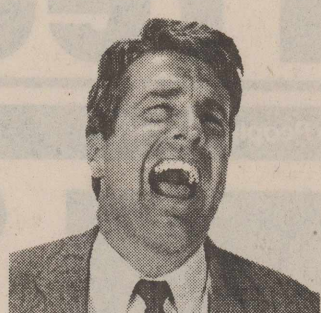
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Obituaries

William R. Bettis

Graveside services for William R. Bettis, 66, of Houston were held Fri., Dec. 26 at Earthman Resthaven Cemetery in Houston under the direction of Earthman Resthaven Funeral Directors.

Mr. Bettis, a former Haskell resident, died Mon., Dec. 22.

Survivors include his wife, Ann; one son, Billy, one daughter Barbara; and one granddaughter, Ka Bettis.

Lena Lowack Kreger

Funeral services for Lena Lowack Kreger, 90, of Haskell were held Mon., Jan. 5 at the Church of Christ with Dale Huff and Travis Boyd officiating. Burial was in Pleasant Valley Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Kreger died Sat., Jan. 3 at a local nursing home. Born Feb. 10, 1907 in Haskell Co., she married Melvin Kreger Jan. 14, 1942 in Anson. He preceded her in death on June 14, 1987. She was a lifelong resident of

Haskell Co. and was a homemaker. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include two daughters, Frances Scheets and Minnie Scheets, both of Haskell; one son, Don Kreger of Rule; one sister, Ruby Teichelman of Haskell.

13 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren. Pallbearers were grandsons, Donald Kreger Jr., Ne Kreger, Danny Kreger, Melvin Lee Kreger, Rand Darden and Earl Scheets.

Otto Henry Jones

Graveside services for Otto Henry Jones, 85, of Anson, were held Fri., Jan. 2 in Anderson Chapel Cemetery in Jones County with Pastor Eric Clark officiating. Services were under the direction of Lawrence-Adams Funeral Home.

Mr. Jones died Tues., Dec. 30 in Anson.

Born April 30, 1912 in Erath County, he was a son of the late H. W. and Laura (Carroll) Jones. He attended schools in Earth County and married Magnolue Patton in 1931. She preceded him in death April 11, 1967. Otto

moved to Anson in 1976 where he owned and operated Jones Welding until retiring in 1990. He was a member of the Assembly of God Church.

He was preceded in death by three brothers and five sisters.

Survivors include one son, Clarence Jones of Sa Rafael, N.M.; one daughter, Margaret Santerre of Haskell; five grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren and great-great grandchildren.

Lillian Johnnie Moeller

Graveside services for Lillian Johnnie Moeller, 73, of Paducah were held Tues., Jan. 6 at Weinert Cemetery in Weinert with Rev. Keith Prather, pastor, Missionary Baptist Church in Paducah, officiating. Services were under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home in Paducah. Ms. Moeller died Sat., Jan. 3 in Paducah.

Born Jan. 21, 1924 in Haskell County, she was an

employee of 6666 Ranch. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Paducah.

Survivors include one son, Lucky Holcombe of Paducah; two daughters, Elaine Jackson of East Afton and Betty Carr of Paducah; one brother, Carl Moeller of Velma, Okla.; one sister, Tillie Sedden of Sweetwater; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Celestina Ozuna Selvera

Funeral services for Celestina Ozuna Selvera, 56, of Austin were held Sat., Dec. 27 at San Francisco Catholic Church with Rev. Jim Martin officiating. Burial was in Assumption Cemetery under the direction of Villaseñor Family-Mission Funeral Home. Rosary was read Fri., Dec. 26 at Mission Funeral Home.

Mrs. Selvera died Tues., Dec. 23 in Austin.

She married Frank Selvera in 1960.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Pablo and Angela Ozuna and brothers, George and Larry Ozuna.

Survivors include her husband, Frank; three sons,

David Selvera and wife, Mary, Frank Selvera Jr., Robert Selvera and wife, Tina; one daughter, Elizabeth Selve Mejia and husband, Ruben, all of Austin; one brother, Jesse Ozuna of Waco; sister-in-law, Dominga Ozuna of Haskell; three sisters, Helen Robledo, Ramona Schenc and Margaret Morgan, all of Wichita Falls; and seven grandchildren.

Pallbearers were nephews, Paul Chapa Jr., Richard Romo, Johnny Gonzales, Horacio Chavarria Jr., Martin Ysasi Jr., William Morgan Jr., Pedro Robledo Jr., and Freddy Ozuna.

Sandra Earle graduates from banking institute

Sandra Earle, a cashier at First National Bank in Haskell, has graduated from the 1997 Bank Operations Institute sponsored by Texas A&M University-Commerce.

Banking personnel attended from Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, and New Mexico.

The 17th Annual Institute, held in November, featured a week of classes, on such topics as time management, personnel

administration, risk manager and banking technology.

To graduate from the institute, banking personnel attended two the week-long annual session completing both Levels I and II.

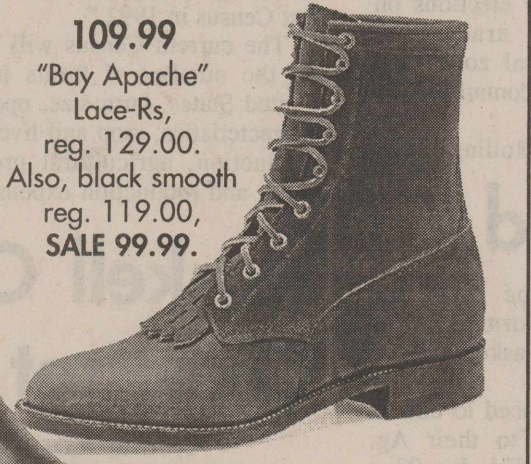
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Surprise dinner honors Bailey's anniversary

Carl Franklin Bailey and Phyllis Loren (DeBusk) Bailey celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Dec. 26 at Tangle Lakes Golf Club in Hawley.

The surprise dinner was hosted by their children and grandchildren, Gary Bailey of Hawley, Ronnie Bailey of Haskell, Lana, Katy and Andy Parker of Crockett.

They met in Abilene while attending Draughton's Business College and were married in her parents' home near Anson Dec. 25, 1947.

Carl is a retired farmer. The couple enjoys volunteering their time helping in their church, First Baptist Church of Haskell.

Attending the celebration were J. L. and Martha Toliver, Marion and Geneva Stone, Billy and Sylvia Mayfield and Ronnie Bailey, all of Haskell; Nettie Lee, Phyllis's sister and Paul Farrow of Anson; Doyle and Billie Plemons of Abilene; Lana, Katy and Andy Parker of Crockett; and Mark and Gayle Bailey of Hawley.

Peisers celebrate 60th anniversary

Ernest and Lilly Peiser, of Haskell celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with their children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and immediate family.

Their daughters hosted a dinner Sat., Dec. 20 at the Branding Iron.

Those in attendance were Ernest and Lilly; Sandra and Bobby

McGary; Cynthia and Johnny Hudson; Shari Shanklin and friend Dana Schaefer; Bradley, Robin, Christy and Tyler McGary; Brandon McGary and friend Shannon Whitt; Heath, Nancy, Alex and Cole Hudson; Herbert and Henrietta Fischer; Bobby and Barbara Druessedow; Ann Druessedow; Frances Fischer; Frank and Evelyn Moeller; Erna Peiser, Pastor and Mrs. Gary Bruns and family; and Kenneth Kline of San Antonio.

The entire family enjoyed Christmas dinner at the home of Ernest and Lilly Peiser on Dec. 21, the couple's anniversary. They were married in 1937.

Births

Isaac Aldon Lingle was born Oct. 3, 1997 at Harris Methodist Hospital, Fort Worth to Nancy Kimbrough Lingle and Mike Lingle of Morgan Mill.

He was welcomed home by his brother, Dustin Cole Lingle, age 5.

Grandparents include the late Clinton Kimbrough of Haskell; Anna Kimbrough of Austin; James and Janice Lingle of Chalk Mountain, and John and Margaret Patton of Commerce.

Great-grandmother is Mada Lingle of Stephenville.

Joe and Diane Kretschmer of Lubbock, are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Bailey Johanna. Bailey was born Dec. 27, 1997, in Lubbock weighing 7 lbs. 12 oz.

Dora Kretschmer of Haskell is her grandmother.

Prenatal classes set in Seymour

A free prenatal education course will be held at Seymour Hospital beginning Jan. 15. The class will meet each Thursday night for six weeks from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. During the course class members will learn information regarding the care of Mom and baby before and after birth. Husbands and significant others are encouraged to participate in the course as well.

For additional information and/or to register for the class, call the Seymour Hospital Rural Health Clinic at (940) 888-5583 or call Betsy Donnell or Crickett Kolacek after 7 p.m. at (940) 888-5572.

Hospital

Admissions

Lonelle McCandless, Rule Bobbie Ann Jones, Haskell Bobby Anders, Stamford Linnie Hickman, Haskell Lee McClure, Haskell Hazel Rainey, Weinert Arnold Wedeking, Stamford

Dismissals

Gloria Johnson, Clayton Hawkins, Joe Teague, Reginal Johnson, Doris Reeves, Jessica Blackburn

Runaway awareness campaign launched

A statewide campaign has been launched to promote greater public awareness about the runaway and troubled youth problem, according to Jay Smith, director of the Texas Runaway Hotline.

"In Texas, more than 120,000 children ages 7 to 17 run away annually," Smith said. "Whether they are in large cities or small towns, runaway youths are vulnerable to a wide variety of crimes including assault and sexual exploitation. Many youths call the hotline to find food, shelter or simply to hear a caring voice." According to Smith, Hotline staff and volunteers received 35,663 calls last year from troubled youths, their families and youth-related organizations.

"Many people believe we only receive calls from runaways who

are on the streets in large metropolitan areas," Smith said. "We actually receive calls from runaways and troubled youths all over the state."

Smith said statewide television and radio ads, billboards and 150,000 pieces of runaway prevention materials for schools, truck stops, bus stations and youth service organizations, are aimed at bringing the runaway problem to wider public attention and to make young people and parents more aware of services that are available. The toll-free Hotline telephone number is 1-888-580-HELP (4357).

"Runaway children are not running to something," Smith said. "More often than not, they are running away from difficult family situations."

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Register Monday, January 12 at 6:30 p.m.

Haskell High School

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All Classes begin January 21 and end May 6.

ENGL 2326	American Lit	W	6:30 - 9:20 p.m.
GOVT 2305	US Government	M	6:30 - 9:20 p.m.
PSYC 2301	General Psychology	Th	6:30 - 9:20 p.m.
CRJ 2313	Correc. Syst. & Practices	M	6:30 - 9:20 p.m.
CRJ 2314	Criminal Investigation	T	6:30 - 9:20 p.m.



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Monthly Calendar of Events

JANUARY 1998

Haskell Independent School District

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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4	5 Electra 7-8-9 Boys There Girls Here 5 p.m.	6 Chillicothe Here B-G JV & V 4 p.m.	7	8	9 Olney Here G JV & V 6 p.m.	10 ATSSB Area Band tryouts
11 Western Texas Registration 6:30 Aud.	12 Olney 7-8-9 Boys Here Girls There 5 p.m.	13 PPE Family Affair Dinner Seymour There B-G JV & V 4 p.m.	14	15	16 Kiwanis Hamburger Supper 5-6:30 ATSSB Reg Band Clinic and Concert All Day Holiday Here B-G JV & V 4 p.m.	17
18	19 Seymour 7-8-9 Boys There Girls Here 5 p.m.	20 PPE Let's Get Going Motivation Archer City There B-G JV & V 4 p.m.	21	22	23	24 Electra Here B-G JV & V 4 p.m.
25	26 Holiday 7-8-9 Boys Here Girls There 5 p.m.	27 PPE Ringing! Is anybody home? Olney There B-G JV & V 4 p.m. Ft. Worth Stock Show	28 Ft. Worth Stock Show	29 Haskell Co. Stock Show Ft. Worth Stock Show	30 Haskell Co. Stock Show Seymour Here B-G JV & V 4 p.m. Ft. Worth Stock Show	31 Haskell Co. Stock Show Ft. Worth Stock Show

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OPINION

Legal Matters

by Dan Morales, Attorney General

In 1996 the U.S. Congress passed, and the President signed, the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996. Provisions in the Act were passed as part of Texas' welfare reform legislation in 1997.

One provision, which will soon become mandatory for all Texas employers, is the Employer New Hire reporting program. Texas has had a voluntary new hire reporting program since September 1993. Beginning October 1, 1998, businesses will be required to report pertinent information about new hires and rehires to the Office of the Attorney General. The information will be used in locating non-custodial parents who owe child support.

What is employer new hire reporting?

The new hire information provided by employers is compiled in a registry that is compared with a database of individuals who are legally required to pay child support. When a match occurs, a notice is sent to the non-custodial parent's employer notifying the employer to withhold child support.

In 1995, the Texas Legislature expanded the voluntary program and allowed the Texas Workforce Commission, the Workers' Compensation Commission, and the Department of Human Services to compare the information with their respective databases. This measure provides each agency a means by which they can better prevent fraud in unemployment compensation, workers' compensation and public assistance.

The benefits

When employers submit new hire information, they provide assistance not only to the child support program, but also to the children and families who depend on receiving child support checks. They also do a big favor for the tax-paying citizens of Texas.

The benefits employers provide are invaluable. Employers help improve each step of the child support process by assisting us in locating individuals who are attempting to avoid their child support responsibilities. Once a non-custodial parent is located, we can move forward with the necessary appropriate action — such as paternity establishment or enforcement action.

When employers report their new hire information, they provide the State a means by which government spending on welfare can be reduced. Lack of child support forces some families to seek public assistance. Timely reporting of new hire information will help locate absent parents and collect child support obligations sooner, thereby decreasing a family's dependence on public assistance.

The citizens of Texas receive benefit when employers participate in the program. Taxpayers save millions of dollars each year by preventing and detecting fraud in public assistance, unemployment benefits and workers' compensation programs.

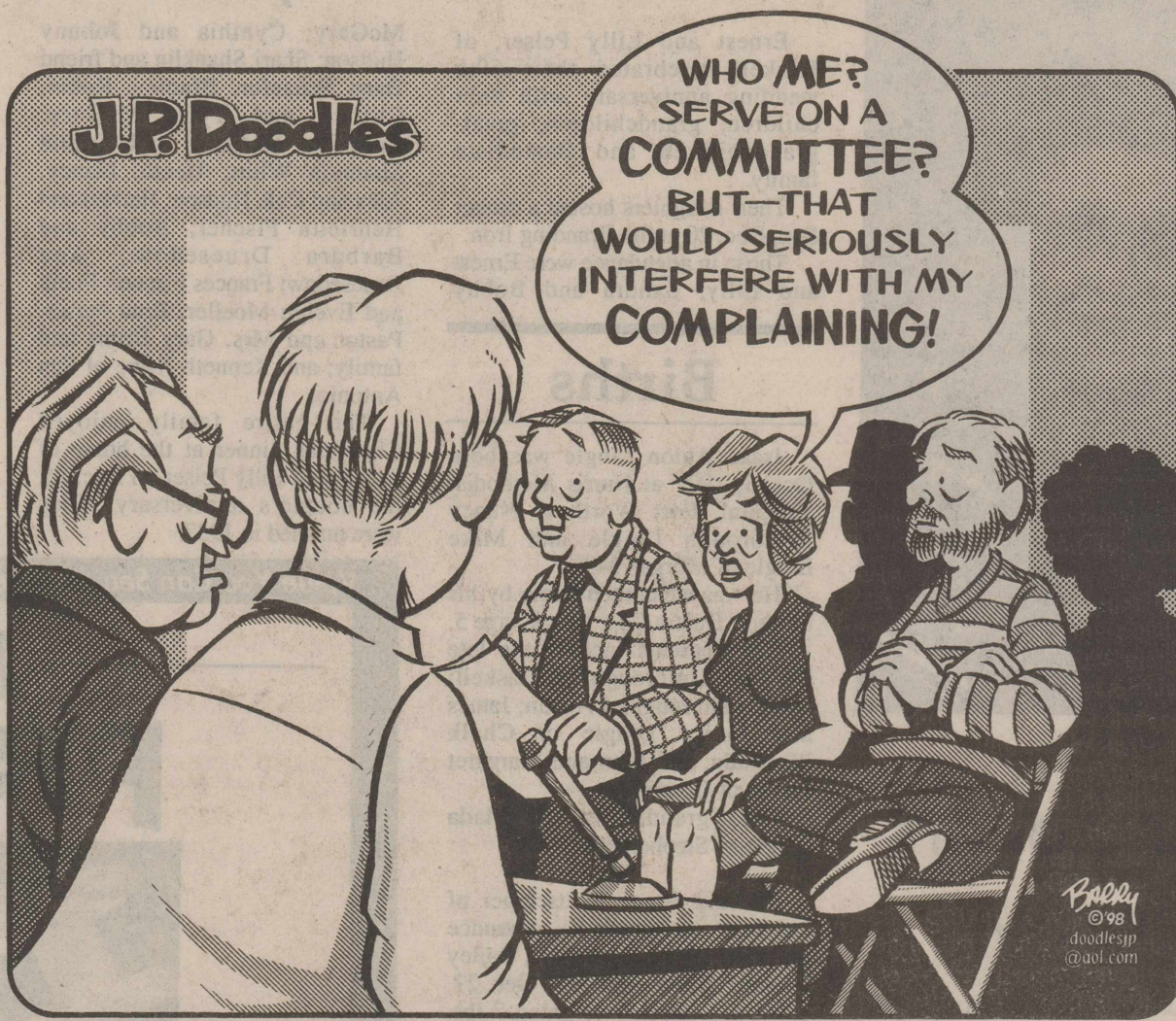
Texas' Employer New Hire Reporting program is good for children, good for business, and good for Texas.

A call to action

The Office of the Attorney General is asking all employers to help make a difference in the lives of children by participating voluntarily in our Employer New Hire Reporting program. Remember, federal and state law make it mandatory for you to begin reporting on October 1, 1998. Think of the number of children you can help in the upcoming months if you begin reporting today.

If you are an employer and would like to begin reporting your new hire information about the program, please write, call or fax your request to:

Texas Employer New Hire Reporting Operations Center
P.O. Box 149224
Austin, TX 78714-9224
(888) 832-4473 telephone
(800) 732-5115 fax



From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago January 14, 1988

Installed was the tile on the new Civic Center by Hank and Lisa Sherman.

The City Council is meeting tonight for an anti-litter ordinance to be set.

The Lone Star Tumblers will perform during half-time of the varsity basketball games against Hawley next Tuesday.

20 Years Ago January 12, 1978

Texas Attorney General John Hill visited in Haskell while campaigning for the office of Governor of Texas.

Kris Kupatt came home with a blue ribbon from the Haskell County 4-H Food Show. Her recipe was shrimp salad.

The Experienced Citizens Center opened this week. Mrs. Marsha Whittemore is Director.

Miss Vera Hunt was chosen as

"Employee of the Month" at the Haskell Memorial Hospital.

30 Years Ago January 11, 1968

Ray Herren, of the Haskell Indians was selected to Class AA All-State team.

The Texas Department of Public Safety, reminded Texans that as of Jan. 1, a color photograph will be a standard part of all drivers' licenses.

Lane-Felker's January sale is dresses 2 for 1 and blouses and skirts half-price.

40 Years Ago January 9, 1958

Darrell Ray Flippin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Ray Flippin, is the first baby born at Haskell Co. Hospital in 1958 and winner of the First Baby Contest.

Mattson School receives plants and shrubs for beautifying grounds.

The Rule Senior Class is having an Invitation Quartet

Tournament. First prize will be \$5 and second prize, \$3.

50 Years Ago January 8, 1948

Giles Kemp and B.S. Patterson made a business trip to Lubbock and other points on the Plains the first of the week.

HHS favorites for 1948 have been elected. They are Most Popular Girl and Boy, Genelle Bailey and Glenn Marugg; Best All-Round Girl and Boy, Ann Katherine Rike and James Foster.

80 Years Ago January 12, 1918

Floyd Rose and R. F. Pitman have opened a garage on Depot Street, in the Old Post Office Building.

H. H. Hallmark has accepted a position as engineer with the M.K.&T. Railroad.

J.W. Looney, had his left arm broken Saturday when he was kicked by a mule.

Letters to the Editor

Dear editor:

The following is a copy of a letter received by the Mayor and members of the City council of the city of Weinert. We wish to have it published so as to educate the Citizens of the City of Weinert of the legal requirements of an annual audit and budget for our city.

Sincerely,
Dwight Burgess, mayor
Larry Hannan, city councilman

"Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council City of Weinert, Texas 76388

RE: Requirement of annual audit and budget

Dear Honorable Mayor and Council Members:

It has been brought to my attention that their may exist some confusion among the members of the City Council regarding the requirements under Texas Law as they pertain to annual audits and budget requirements. This letter is an effort to partially explain the requirements and to encourage the members of the council to take the necessary steps to ensure that the City remains in compliance.

Chapter 102 of the Texas Local Government Code, a copy of which is attached to this letter for your convenience, designates the Mayor of a municipality as the budget officer for the governing body, or if the municipality has the city manager form of government, the city manager serves as the budget officer. Section 102.002 of said chapter, states that the "budget officer shall prepare each year a municipal budget to cover the proposed expenditures of the municipal government for the succeeding year." Section 102.003 then specifies the contents required in the budget.

Likewise, Chapter 103 of the Texas Local Government Code, also a copy of which is attached

hereto for your convenience, requires a municipality whose records and accounts are not audited annually by a person prescribed by statute, by charter, or by a person in the regular employ of the municipality, to "employ at its own expense a certified public accountant who is licensed in this state or a public accountant who holds a permit to practice from the Texas State Board of Public Accountancy to conduct the audit and to prepare the annual financial statement."

I have been informed that the City of Weinert has failed to perform either of the above required acts in the past few years and that questions have arisen with regard to the tracing of the funds received by or on behalf of the city and expenses that are paid by the city.

Although it may be cost prohibitive to perform audits for each of the past years that no audit was done, I would strongly recommend the council consider an audit being performed that would at the minimum cover the 1996 and 1997 fiscal year. Due to the difficulty in obtaining all the necessary documentation and information that would be needed and assuming it is the opinion of the members of the council and Mayor that there is little likelihood of any wrongdoing or malfeasance regarding city funds for years prior to 1996, I feel you could use 1996 as a new starting point and not suffer the expense required in preparing budgets for all prior years.

Following the preparation of these audits and the related financial statements, the mayor, or City Manager, could then have a basis from which to formulated the

required budget for the remainder of the current year and for future years.

It should be noted that these requirements are promulgated by the legislature to insure that all cities are administered in a manner which protects the funds received by the city through its tax base. The law requires each city afford its citizens the right and opportunity to ensure that all funds received by a city are administered according to a properly prepared budget, and each citizen deserves the commitment of the city manager, mayor and each councilman to see that all laws regarding the administration of such funds are strictly adhered to.

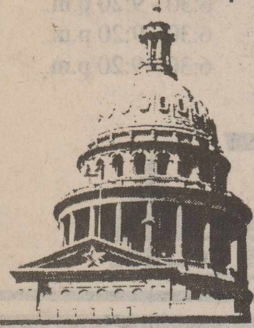
It should also be noted that under Section 41.009 of the Texas Government Code, "If a district or county attorney learns that an officer in his district or county who is entrusted with the collection or safekeeping of public funds is neglecting or abusing the trust confided in him or is failing to discharge his duties under the law, the district or county attorney shall institute the proceeding that are necessary to compel the performance of the officer's duties and to preserve and protect the public interest.

If you have any questions regarding the above, or if you would like me to meet with the council at some future date regarding this matter or any other matters, please feel free to contact me at the above address and/or phone number.

Sincerely yours,
L.W. (Bill) Jones, III
Haskell County Attorney"

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State Capital



HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

Contract workers and temporary employees cost at least \$41 million in the past state budget year, the *Austin American-Statesman* reported last week.

Those workers, however, do not appear on the state's annual \$6 billion payroll. Nor do they receive health care and retirement benefits.

Although state officials say they don't know how many outside workers perform state jobs and how much paying them costs, they acknowledge that both numbers are increasing.

"I don't think any of us have a handle on it," said House Appropriations Chairman Rob Junell, D-San Angelo. "I think we'd like to see where they are."

With more than 250,000 full-time workers on the state payroll in 1997, the Legislature imposed a cap on full time positions, State officials want to ensure that the cap doesn't lead to an increase in hiring "temps."

Among the tasks assigned to temporary workers are programming computers, opening mail containing child support checks, nursing mentally ill patients in state hospitals and taking calls from victims of natural disasters.

State Auditor Lawrence Alwin said he will study the growing number of temporary and contract workers who perform tasks for the state.

Health-care Pool Opens

Texans who couldn't get health insurance because of their medical history gained access Jan. 1 to a source of coverage with the opening of the Texas Insurance Risk Pool.

"This is a milestone for Texans who have gone without health insurance because poor health made them uninsurable," said Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer.

The pool was created by legislation sponsored by Rep. Kip Averitt and Sen. David Sibley, both of Waco, and passed by the 1997 state Legislature.

The pool will sell two major medical plans that differ only in their deductible amounts and out-of-pocket maximums. Both plans offer lower costs for patients who use health-care providers on the pool's provider network, but patients are free to use out-of-network providers for an additional out-of-pocket cost.

Annuities Rules Approved
Banks in Texas Cities of any size may obtain agents' licenses to sell annuities under interim guidelines approved by Insurance Commissioner Bomer last month. The guidelines will govern

banks' annuity sales until the 1999 Legislature can amend the state's agent-licensing laws.

Bomer issued the guidelines in response to an October ruling by U.S. District Judge James R. Nowlin of Austin. Nowlin ruled that federal banking laws authorizing banks to sell annuities override Texas laws that prevent their doing so.

Annuities are investment contracts usually sold by life insurance companies. To sell annuities, a bank must be licensed as an incorporated insurance agent by the Texas Department of Insurance. A bank also must be appointed by at least one life insurance company to act as its agent for the sale of annuities.

Day-care Law Takes Effect

Jan. 1 was the deadline for daycare providers to comply with a new state law requiring people who care for three or fewer children to undergo criminal background checks by the state.

"The background checks are designed to ensure that no person with a criminal or substantiated child-abuse history is entrusted with the care of children," said Karen Eells, a spokeswoman for the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Service.

After the background check is completed, the caregiver is issued a certificate of listing with the state at a cost of \$20.

Caregivers who don't become listed with the state risk penalties, including fines of up to \$2,000 and up to six months in jail.

Other Capital Highlights

• A telephone survey of 2,710 people between January and April last year revealed that about one in four Texans witnessed an incident of child abuse or neglect. The poll also showed that almost 30 percent of those surveyed did not know state law requires them to report such incidents to authorities.

• The Public Utility Commission has approved a 4 percent interim rate cut for residential customers of Texas Utilities Electric Co. The rate reduction applies only to the non-fuel portion of a monthly electric bill. PUC officials said some commercial customers, mostly small and medium-sized businesses would get a rate cut of 2 percent.

• The Texas Office of Public Utility Counsel has joined the Virginia State Corporation Commission in asking the Supreme Court to overturn new federal rules that removed state caps on pay calls, including the 25-cent cap that Texas had.

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Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Walter and Sue Cox of Naples were in Haskell Christmas Eve and Christmas Day visiting in the home of his mother, Mrs. Julia Cox and with other family members. Three of his sisters, Yvonne King of Haskell, Linda and Matt Camp of Lubbock and Jo Peck of Lubbock were also there. Several of the grandchildren also attended. Walter and Sue visited Kenneth and Elaine Campbell and Sue's sister, Lona Mae Phelps on Christmas Day and had lunch with them. Sue and her sister, Lona Mae made a trip to see their four brothers on Christmas Eve. Rocky and Marsha Sanders of Abilene; Jacky, Sandra, Rex and Jaclyn at their ranch house south of Putnam; Andy and Marlene Sanders and their five daughters and their families near Cross Plains; Oman Travis and Wilma Sanders; Darrell and Phoenix Quinn; Bryan Sanders and Jeff Key of Coleman. They returned back by Abilene to view the thirty-five thousand lights around the Rocky Sanders home.

On the day after Christmas Walter, Sue and Lona Mae Phelps went to Eagar, Ariz., to visit their sister and her family, Ethelyne and Darwin Slade. While there they saw their five children and most of their families. Darwin Alan and Judy Slade; Darwin Alan, Jr., his wife Eryn, and daughter Kari Slade; Douglas, Cherai and daughter Sadie; Stephen and Donna Slade; Everett, Tammy and their three sons all of Eagar; Paula and her son Tyler of Chandler, Ariz.; David, Tonya and their children Paula Marie, David Layne and Ashton of Eagar. We saw lots of snow and had a good visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Sanders of Coleman visited Lona Mae Phelps, Kenneth and Elaine Campbell, Karen and Allison Mitchell had

lunch with them New Year's Day. Mrs. Phelps accompanied them to Rochester where they attended the funeral of Jimmy Strickland, a cousin of Wilma's.

Mike, Suzanne, Cody and Tanner Wollard from Grapevine; Rickey, Debbie, Todd and Kaylee Scheffel of Lubbock spent the Christmas holidays with their parents and grandparents, Lewis and Joyce Thomas.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Swenson on Sat. the 27th was Dan Galvon and family of Mexico City. Dan graduated from HHS in the early 1950s.

Glendon Hawkins, of Irving, came on Thurs. stayed until Sunday. Bringing carpet for mom, Joyce, helped get it laid and things back in order so she could be back home again.

Christopher, Melissa and Zachery Tatum are proud to announce the arrival of Garet Scott, who arrived at 3:19 p.m., Fri. Jan. 2 and weighing in at 8 lbs. 12 oz. Proud grandparents are Billy and Margaret Tatum and Ronnie and Linda Chapman.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Frank White on Sat. was daughter, Dorann Redding of Seymour and granddaughter Stacy Owens of Wichita Falls. They all went to Abilene did some shopping and had lunch and a good time visiting.

Bernice Hilliard and family had Christmas at her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Short in Rochester. Those present were Ronnie, Edith and son Jarred of Odessa; Kenneth Hilliard of Waco; Debbie Dayhon of San Angelo; Ellen Hilliard and Jean Ballard of Abilene; Bernice and the Shorts.

On Friday, Kenneth and Bernice went to Lubbock to visit Nacole Hilliard.

New year's eve Bernice Hilliard attend the square dance at the Wagon Wheel where they squared the old year out and new year in having black-eye peas and cornbread at mid-night. A White Elephant Raffle was held to raise money to replace the roof on the building.

Last Sat., Bernice Hilliard and Linda and Mary Jane Short went to Post for the Trades day. Which is held first weekend of each month.

WTC-Haskell classes start Jan. 21

Spring classes begin Jan. 21 at Western Texas College's Snyder campus and at the extension center located in Haskell.

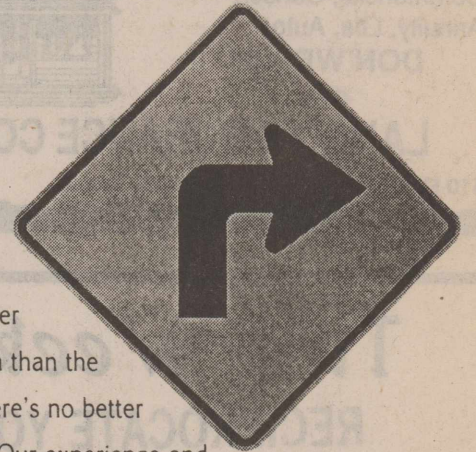
Students at the Haskell extension may take Government 2305, Criminal Justice 2313 or 2314, or Psychology 2301. All classes will take place at Haskell High School. Registration will be held Mon., Jan. 12 at 6:30 p.m.

Early admission applicants should bring: a completed early admissions form, available at their counselor's or principal's office; a copy of their high school transcript; ACT, SAT, and/or TASP scores if available; driver's license if applicable, and social security card.

All other applicants should bring: driver's license; social security card; TASP/ACT/SAT scores if applicable; high school transcript/GED; and college transcript if applicable.

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Basketball scores

Girls

Hawley Holiday Classic Haskell 62, Colorado City 49
Scoring by quarter: 18, 17, 18, 9. Individual scoring: Comedy 4, Gray 8, Alvarez 7, Burgess 6, Rodela 5, McKenzie 19, Bartley 13.

Championship Game Hawley Holiday Classic Haskell 31, Merkel 52
Scoring by quarter: 8, 7, 10, 6. Individual scoring: Comedy 2, Alvarez 4, Tidrow 2, Burgess 2, Rodela 2, McKenzie 15, Bartley 4.

Haskell 33, Colorado City 51
Scoring by quarter: 0, 15, 10, 8. Individual scoring: McKenzie 13, Gray 4, Bartley 4, Alvarez 3, Rodela 3, Comedy 2, Tidrow 2, Burgess 2.

Boys

Hawley Holiday Classic Haskell 64, Cisco 52
Scoring by quarter: 8, 9, 21, 14. Individual scoring: Spells 18, Nichols 3, Briles 24, Ortiz 13, Cheyne 2, Everett 2, Steele 2.

Third Round Hawley Holiday Classic Haskell 38, Salado 43
Scoring by quarter: 8, 13, 8, 9. Individual scoring: Earles 2, Spells 8, McGuire 3, Nichols 8, Briles 13, Ortiz 2, Steele 2.

Haskell 55, Colorado City 56
Scoring by quarter: 15, 9, 19, 8. Individual scoring: Spells 8, Briles 20, Ortiz 14, Everett 12, Steele 1.
Haskell JV 32, Colorado City 29

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ECC Calendar and Menu

Monday, January 12
 Lunch—B.B.Q. chicken, potatoes, spinach, cabbage slaw, bread pudding, milk, tea or coffee.
 5:30 p.m. Potluck soup/sandwich and game night

Wednesday, January 14
 Exercise—10:30 a.m.
 Blood pressure check—Concepts of Care—10:00
 Lunch—Pinto beans/Ham, turnip greens, carrot raisin salad, onions, peaches, milk, tea or coffee

Friday, January 16
 10:30 a.m. Beltone Hearing
 Lunch—Hamburgers, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, onions, cobbler, tator tots, 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.

Head Start Menu

Jan. 12-16
 Milk served daily with breakfast. Menus subject to change without notice.

Breakfast
Monday: Corn flakes, banana
Tuesday: Cinnamon toast, orange slice
Wednesday: Waffle w/syrup, strawberries
Thursday: Blueberry muffin, apple wedges
Friday: Rice Krispies, apple juice

Lunch
 Milk served daily with lunch.
Monday: Cheeseburger, lettuce, tomatoes, french fries, apricots

Tuesday: BBQ chicken, broccoli, mixed fruit, slice bread
Wednesday: Turkey/cheese sandwich, tossed salad, pear halves
Thursday: Homemade beef stew, zucchini sticks, apple slices, corn bread
Friday: Tuna sandwich, carrots sticks, orange slices

Snacks
Monday: Oatmeal cookies, orange juice
Tuesday: Vanilla wafers, apple juice
Wednesday: Crackers/peanut butter
Thursday: Snack mix, orange juice
Friday: Animal crackers

Haskell School Menu

Jan. 12-16
Breakfast
 Juice or fruit and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.
Monday: Cereal, cinnamon toast
Tuesday: Breakfast burrito
Wednesday: Sausage and pancake on stick
Thursday: Biscuits/gravy, sausage
Friday: Breakfast pizza

Lunch
 A choice of baked potato with choice of topping or a salad bar are offered daily at the High School. Milk and juice are served daily at the Elementary School.
Monday: Taco salad, refried beans, grated cheese, lettuce/tomatoes, peach cobbler
Tuesday: Pizza, tossed salad, buttered corn, shape-up
Wednesday: Chicken and spaghetti, seasoned green beans, breaded fried okra, buttered hot rolls, fruit salad
Thursday: Beef and vegetable stew, grilled cheese sandwich, applesauce, cookie

Haskell Co. Gin Report

January 3, 1998	
Farmers Co-op Gin	7037
Haskell Co-op Gin	14,816
O'Brien Gin	14,07
Rochester Co-op Gin	247
Rule Co-op Gin	606
Sagerton Gin	350
Weinert Gin	469
Paymaster Gin	539
Weinert Gin	539
Total Bales	58,05

This Week's Devotional Message: RECIPROCATE YOUR BLESSINGS BY GIVING A HELPING HAND



The best way to show your appreciation for a favor is by returning it, whenever the opportunity arises. The same reasoning can be applied to your faith, and if you have been attending the services regularly you are well aware of the benefits you have derived from the inspiring messages in the sermons and perhaps the Bible class or an occasional talk with your clergyman. The life blood of any House of Worship is its congrega-

tion, on whom it must depend for volunteer help. This may translate into physical maintenance of the building and grounds, or other equally important jobs such as typing, telephoning, providing refreshments or performing vital functions for those in need of them. The finest form of love is serving others, and it can be the truest expression of gratitude toward your House of Worship, which has helped YOU on so many occasions in the past.

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 600 N. 1st East, Haskell
- Christian Church**
 Dusty Garrison, minister
 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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 Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m.
 East Hwy 380, Haskell
- Trinity Lutheran Church**
 Gary Bruns, pastor
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 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**
 Shane Brue, 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.; Wed. 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
- Church in the Park**
 Rev. Tim and Suzann Townsend
 Sun. Morn. 10:30 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.
 Gazebo or Pavillion
- PAINT CREEK**
- Paint Creek Baptist Church**
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 Paint Creek
- WEINERT**
- First Baptist Church**
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- Weinert Methodist Church**
 Rev. James Patterson
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.
 Weinert
- Weinert Foursquare Church**
 Rev. Joyce Goossen and Rev. Diane Crownover
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 Weinert
- ROCHESTER**
- Church of Christ**
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 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 Rochester
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
- Faith Chapel of Rochester**
 Katherine Byrd, minister
 Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m.
 Hwy 6, Rochester
- First United Methodist Church**
 Dolan Brinson, pastor
 Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
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- SAGERTON**
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 Sun. Morn. 9:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
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 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
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 First & Third Sundays 10 a.m.
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- Church of Christ**
 John Greeson, minister
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
 811 Union, Rule
- First United Methodist Church**
 Daniel Ramey, pastor
 Sun. Morn. 10:50 a.m., 6 p.m.
 1000 Union Ave., Rule
- New Life Baptist Mission**
 Jesus Herrera
 Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
 Elm Street/Hwy 380 E, Rule
- Sweet Home Baptist Church**
 Matt Herrington, pastor
 Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.
 Gladstone Ave., Rule
- West Bethal Baptist Church**
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 Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.
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Sagerton News

by Dorothy M. Clark

1998 will be the number to remember for a while now. With the holidays over, we are settling down to a more routine lifestyle once again.

The annual community meeting will be held at the community center on Thursday night, Jan. 15, at 6:30 p.m. The regular time had to be changed due to conflicting interests of the officers and hosts. The annual reports of all committees and officers will be given, and new officers will be elected. Everyone is urged to attend this informative meeting so that plans for the upcoming year can be made. Hosts will furnish fried chicken for the meal and ladies are asked to bring vegetables and desserts to go with this.

The community was saddened by the death of Johnny Kainer of Stamford who grew up in the Sagerton community. He attended school at Flatop and his children attended our school until they moved to Stamford.

The December men's breakfast was held at Faith Lutheran Church with the following present Marvin Stegemoeller, Marchel Nauert, Pastor Jeff Zell, Clayton Stegemoeller, Ronnie, Clarence and Gene Teichelman, Alvin Bredthauer, Clancy Lehrmann, Fred Kupatt, Carl Lunn, Jack Jones, David Letz, and Dean Quade.

Family gatherings during the Christmas celebration in the Clancy Lehrmann included a visit in Abilene on the 23rd with Pearl Schwartz of Snyder and her daughter, the Jack and Lynette Calloway family.

On Christmas Day the Lehrmann children were with them, including Gail of Denver and Steven, Karen, Jennifer, Brian, M'Lynn and Joanna.

On the 27th they hosted another dinner for Buddy and Bobby Letz of Abilene, Tom and Celeste Brewster and their two sons of Eula, Teri Letz of Weatherford, Gail Lehrmann of Denver and the Steven Lehrmann family.

The Rule High girls basketball team brought back a third place plaque from the Jayton tournament on Saturday. The team is coached by our own, Jill Brown. Sagerton girls on the team are Michelle Stegemoeller and Jennifer Lehrmann.

Word was received of the deaths

of Lena Kreger of Haskell, sister of the late Ernest Lowack and Ruby Teichelman, formerly of Sagerton and Dean Lehmann, sister-in-law of the late Norma Tredemeyer.

Upcoming events at Faith Lutheran Church include Family Night on January 11 at 6 p.m., Faith Circle meeting at 2:30 p.m. on the 13th, Elders meeting on Wednesday night, the 14th at 7:30 and church council meeting at 8:00 the same night. The Friendship Club meets at noon on Thursday, Jan. 15 and the men's breakfast will be held on Friday the 16th.

The men of the community meet regularly each Wednesday morning the gin for their early morning breakfast with Joe Clark and Alvin Ulmer chief cook and "bottle washer". All men of the community are invited for this fun-filled quick start for the day. Current events are the agenda each week and occasionally farm programs are presented that are of interest to the local farmers. Let's meet at the gin Wednesday morning, bright and early for good food, fun and fellowship!



LITTLE ANGELS—Members of the Rochester 4-H Club recently visited Haskell nursing homes to sing Christmas carols and deliver handmade angels to the residents.

Rochester 4-H members visit Haskell care homes

The Rochester 4-H met in November at the school cafeteria. Allen Reed, Ag. Science teacher at Rochester, and James Bevel, Ag. Science teacher at Haskell High School, were guest speakers. They gave a presentation on range camp,

held each summer, and requirements to be on a 4-H Range team and to go to contest.

Interested 4-H members in the county may contact one of our 4-H leaders Janie Lopez, Susan Cockerell, Velvet Townsend, Kay Lisle or Fonda Newton.

At the December meeting, members made angels and delivered them to both of the care homes in Haskell.

Mary Bell Turner, Teddy Sue Harris, Amy Turner and Tandi Townsend played Christmas songs on the piano while the others handed out the angels. Other members were Keri Newton, Laci Townsend, Chase Cockerell, Ross Short, Staci Leija, Velvet Townsend and Susan Cockerell.

Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 874 head of cattle at its sale on Saturday, January 3, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

All stocker and feeder cattle are \$3 to \$5 lower. Bred cows and pairs fully steady. Packer cows are \$1 to \$2 lower.

Cows: fat, .27-.34; cutters, .28-.36; canners, .20-28.

Bulls: bologna, .35-.42; feeder, .55-.65.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .85-1.10; 300-400 lbs., .75-1.00; 400-500 lbs.,

.70-.85; 500-600 lbs., .68-.80; 600-700 lbs., .67-.77; 700-800 lbs., .64-.74; 800-up lbs., .55-.68.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .75-.95; 300-400 lb., .67-.75; 400-500 lbs., .60-.725; 500-600 lbs., .62-.72; 600-up lbs., .55-.70.

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