

### Softball games

Haskell V-JV vs Stamford  
at Stamford  
Tues. V-4:30, JV-6:00

### Baseball games

Hamlin Tournament Varsity  
Thurs. thru Sat.  
Haskell V vs Rotan  
Tues. at Haskell 4:30  
Haskell JV vs Graham  
Mon. at Graham 6:00

### Golf

Boys Monday at Quanah  
Girls Tues. at San Saba

### Calendar

#### Food course

Three places are left for Haskell County food service managers to sign up for the Food Protection Management Course. Contact Lou Gilly, County Extension Agency, FCS at 864-2546 for registration information. The 15-hour course will meet for the first time Thurs., March 19 at 5 p.m. in the Haskell County Extension Office kitchen at 101 S. Ave. D in Haskell. The course will continue on the following two Thursday nights, March 26 and April 2.

#### Retired teachers

Haskell County Retired Teachers will meet Wed., March 18 at the Drug Store Cafe in Rule at 11:45 a.m. All retired school personnel and members are urged to attend.

#### Calf roping

An open calf roping will be held Sun., March 15 at 2 p.m. at the Haskell Co. Arena. For information contact Carl Hopkins 940-849-3257 or Fred Hernandez 940-864-2493.

#### McCaulley musical

The McCaulley Recreational Corporation will host the monthly musical on Fri., March 13 at 6:30 p.m. in the community center. No admission is charged. A concession stand will be open. Alcoholic beverages are not permitted. Those desiring to be on the program should call 915-962-5441.

#### Study Club

Haskell Progressive Study Club will meet Thurs., March 12 at 7 p.m. at the Haskell National Bank Community Room. Susan Keeling, Executive Director of Noah Project will be guest speaker.

#### Foundation dinner

'Raising Readers' will be the theme for the Haskell CISD Educational Foundation Dinner March 21 at 7:30 at the Civic Center. The program will feature Teacher Appreciation and Outstanding Student Readers. Guest speaker will be Don Harkins of Beaumont. Tickets are \$25 and be purchased from any Foundation member or at the school office.

#### Partners for Children

March 17, the Partners for Children will meet at 7 p.m. at the Haskell Elementary School. Topic for the meeting will be Green with Envy: Sibling Rivalry. The open discussion will focus on ways to help parents deal with brothers and sisters who can't seem to get along. Free babysitting is available by calling 864-2654. Free transportation is available by calling 864-2007.

#### Noah Project

The Noah Project-North Advisory Committee will hold a monthly meeting at the East Side Baptist Church Fri., March 13 at noon.

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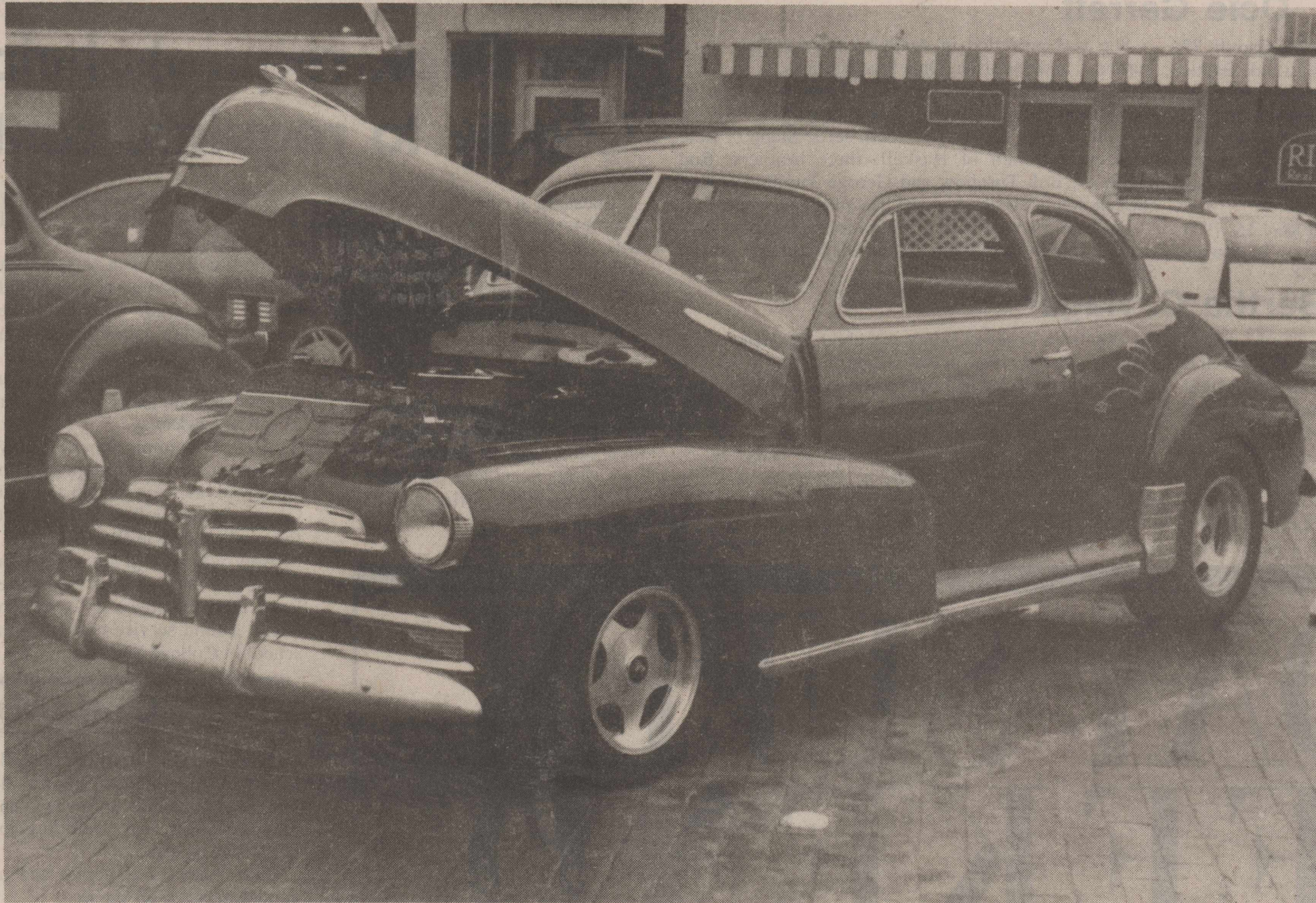
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WINNER-The '48 Chevrolet 2 door coupe belonging to Fred McGee of Cushing, Okla. placed first in the Hot Rod division in the

Haskell Fire Department Car Show Sat. He also won the Traveling Trophy for coming the longest distance to attend the show.

## Local calling to be expanded to Abilene

On or before April 9, residents in the city of Haskell will be able to pick up their telephones and make local calls to Abilene, something they have been hoping to do since 1996. The Haskell petition for expanded local calling (ELC) privileges is one of 64 Texas petitions approved by the

Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in December.

Upon implementation, the ELC program will provide local instead of long distance service to the other rural communities named in the petition. Customers pay a monthly flat-rate fee of up to \$3.50 per residential line and \$7 per business

line for up to five exchanges. Many of the communities are already paying the maximum fee for ELC service to other areas and those telephone charges will not change.

The following implementation dates are set for these exchanges: April 9, Hamlin to Aspermont,

Rule and Haskell.

The approval of the ELC petitions at the federal level was hastened by the efforts of Texas' U.S. senators and representatives, state legislators, the PUC, and many aggressive community leaders whose intervention helped solve a telephone calling problem for rural communities in Texas and other states.

"It's gratifying to see the needs of rural communities met," said Linda Hymans, ELC coordinator for the PUC.

FCC approval was needed because the 64 Texas exchanges asked for calling scopes that would cross invisible telephone boundaries called LATAs (local access and transport areas). The issue was further complicated because each involved calling between an area served by a different phone company.

The timing of ELC implementation in each of these cases is determined by the time it takes the two telephone companies involved to install the appropriate facilities and reprogram switching equipment.

## Tom Harkin fights against illiteracy



TOM HARKIN

By Mary Kaigler

We have all been taught that this is a land where any of us can "make it" despite whatever obstacles fate may throw at us. But just how many obstacles can one human overcome and just how far can determination and courage carry any one of us?

Tom Harkin of Beaumont, founder and CEO of a popular Southeast Texas-based restaurant chain has paid the price, learning the hard way that through such courage and determination, adversities and hardships can indeed be overcome.

On Sat., March 21, he will share his inspirational story, when he speaks at the Haskell CISD Educational Dinner.

Forty-nine years ago this robust man was a sickly child. At age eleven he had already spent a year in an iron lung, suffering polio. Then, after being quarantined to one room in his house for another year with tuberculosis, he returned to school, further handicapped by never

having learned to read.

Returning to a classroom where a teacher ridiculed him at the blackboard when he couldn't spell a simple word, he was so nervous, shy, humiliated and turned off to reading and school that he dropped out, a functional illiterate.

After serving in the Air Force, which he got into by randomly checking off questionnaire choices that he couldn't read, he began to work as a door-to-door vacuum cleaner salesman, eventually landing in the Kirby Vacuum Cleaner Co.'s Hall of Fame. He then went on to become the country's top-selling independent broker in the recreational business.

Today he is one of only ten Americans to be selected as recipients of the 1992 Horatio Alger Award which is given annually to individuals who have overcome adversity, pulling themselves up by their own bootstraps in the American tradition of hard work and perseverance.

Harkin is now the vice-president of Alger Executive Association. He and Dr. Robert Schuyler, whose "Hour of Power" program has featured Harkin three times, have served together as co-chairmen of the Scholarship Campaign. Since 1994 Harkin has raised over 15 million dollars for scholarships to deserving high school graduates. The Horatio Alger Association celebrates "hard work, not heredity, potential and purpose, not privilege, and achievement, not aristocracy."

With the help of his wife Melba, Harkin learned to read, receiving his high school diploma 37 years late. An avid advocate for fighting illiteracy, since 1992 he has spoken to over 600 audiences, numbering in tens of thousands of people.

Of the hours of travel and time

given to his message, Tom Harkin says, "If our story reaches just one individual who seeks help in overcoming illiteracy, then it's worth it."

When Former Secretary of State, Henry Kissinger greeted Harkins at the 1993 Horatio Alger Awards ceremonies, Kissinger shook hands and told Harkins that he has heard hundreds of speeches over the past years. "But I remember only five of them," Kissinger said. "Yours is one of those I remember."

We don't get to hear such a speaker and share dinner with him every day in Haskell. On March 21, at 7:30 in the Civic Center, we'll have that rare opportunity.

## Plays to be presented Monday

Students from Haskell, Paint Creek and Rule schools will be presenting their one-act plays at the Haskell Civic Center March 16 starting at 6:00 p.m. Paint Creek will present their play first followed by Haskell and Rule. Admission will be \$3. A concession stand will be provided.

William Overton, Drama Director at Cooper High School in Abilene, will critique the plays immediately following the last play. He will be able to offer advice and suggestions that will help the performers in their preparations for contest.

Paint Creek High School will be presenting the play 'The Marvelous Playbill' by Tim Kelly. Cast members are Casper Phillips, Delinda Strickland, Candace Everhart, Jason Shackelford, Selina Selinas, Bridgett Silvas, Heather Hobbs, Brandy Gardner, Susan Acosta, J. R. Hodges, Melinda Muehlstein, Stefanie Isbell, and Jacki Davis. Crew member is Hallee Walton. Play director is Joey McCord.

Haskell High School is presenting the play 'Alice in Wonderland' adapted by William Glennon. Cast members are Amanda Crawford, Mitchell Cox, Andrea Callaway, Shannon Sanford, Marci Elmore, Tiffany Cadenhead, Misti Henson, Kevin Patton, Kristina Lane, Jimmy Huff, Heath Brendle, Bree Burgess, Kile Brendle, Amber Futch, and Christie Blocker. Crew members are Philip Huff, Kim Hammes, Stephanie Stocks and Kristi Christian. Dalyn Griffith is play director.

'The Secret Affairs of Mildred Wild' by Paul Zindel is the play being presented by Rule High School. Cast members are Megan Jones, Kayla Allison, Deborah Wilson, Teri Shawver, Tiffany Ramirez, Josh Smith, Cole Wolsch, Brian Lehmann, Lorie Martinez and Janae Smith. Eric Robinson, Cinda Martinez and Gena Robinson are crew members. Play director is Bobby Robinson.

Come out and enjoy the plays and support the local youth.



MISSIONARY SPEAKS-D'Anne Beaty, a teaching missionary in Smolesk, Russia, spoke in Feb. to the GA's of First Baptist Church Haskell. She is the niece of Ford and Donna Cole.

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# OBITUARIES

## Lillian Ellender Brown

Funeral services for Lillian Ellender Norman Brown, 87, of Farmington, N.M. were held Mon., March 9 in Emmanuel Baptist Church in Farmington, N.M. with Pastor John Preston officiating. Graveside services were held in Rule Cemetery Wed., March 11 with Rev. J. R. Williams officiating. Services were under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Brown died Fri., March 6 at San Juan Regional Medical Center after a lengthy illness.

Born Aug. 29, 1910 in Rule to James Frank Norman and Minnie Ellender Byrd Norman, she was a member of Emmanuel Baptist Church, Eastern Star and the Bonnie Dallas Senior Citizen Center.

She was preceded in death by her parents, nine brothers and two sisters.

Survivors include one son, Marlin E. Brown and wife, Elizabeth Marie, of Farmington; two sisters, Grace McKelvain and Reba Miller; one brother, Lester Norman; four grandchildren, Shirley Marie Olbert and husband, Robert, of Bloomfield, Minnie Ann Sparks of Farmington, Mary Jeanette Goley of Farmington, Randell Edward Brown and wife, Vida, of Bloomfield; seven great grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Pallbearers were Randell Brown, Robert Olbert, Alfred Norman, Travis Olbert, Jeremy Brown, Rex Lewellen, Paul Goley and Donald Caldwell.

Memorials may be made to Bonnie Dallas Senior Citizens Center, 109 E. La Plata, Farmington, N.M. 87401.

## Ocie Garrett

Funeral services for Ocie Marie Turnbow Garrett, 77, of Haskell were held Mon., March 9 at East Side Baptist Church with Rev. David Page and Roy Herricks officiating. Burial was in Pleasant Valley Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Garrett died March 5 in a local nursing home after a long illness.

She married Garth Garrett in Haskell May 15, 1937. He preceded her in death in 1991. She was a Baptist and a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Buck Turnbow, and one sister, Oma Mae Herricks.

Survivors include one son, Don Garrett of Arlington; five sisters, Lonie Linton of Brenham, Sue Frier of California, Feba Stout of Weinert, Jeffie Stapp of Rule and Jessie Couch of Haskell; three brothers, Bud Turnbow, Bob Turnbow and George Turnbow, all of Haskell; four grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Olen King, Johnny Mills, Jack Sellers, C. W. McKelvain, Tiffen Mayfield and Wayne Stout.

## Bertha C. Hager

Funeral services for Bertha C. Hager, 92, of Lueders were held Wed., March 11 at the Assembly of God Church in Stamford with Rev. Gene Benningfield officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery in Haskell under the direction of Tankersley Funeral Home.

Mrs. Hager died Sun., March 7 at a Stamford hospital.

Born Jan. 7, 1906 in Bosque Co., she was the daughter of J. M. and Ruby Mickler. She was a long time resident of the Jones and Haskell County area.

moving from Bosque County as a child. She married W. R. Hager Oct. 2, 1921 in New Hope.

She was preceded in death by one son, Jack Hager and one daughter, Margret Ruth Kiker.

Survivors include her husband of 76 years, W. R. (Bill) Hager of Lueders; four sons, W. R. Hager Jr., of Weinert, Douglas Allen Hager of Brownwood, Chris Hager of Stephenville and Don Hager of Paris; one daughter, June Neff of Abilene; 19 grandchildren, 31 great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren.

## Sarah Lee Walling Hodge

Funeral services for Sarah Lee Walling Hodge, 80, of Haskell were held Fri., March 6 at the First Baptist Church in Haskell with Rev. Jim Turner officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Hodge died Wed., March 4 at a local nursing home.

Born Sept. 21, 1917 in Haskell County, she married Harold Herman Hodge Jan. 2, 1944 in Alexander, Virginia. She worked as a bookkeeper in the Haskell County Auditor's office until her retirement in 1970. She was a volunteer for Meals on Wheels, and was very active as a member of the First Baptist Church, where she taught the four year old class for over 25 years, and as food committee chairman for many years.

Survivors include two daughters and sons-in-law, Nancy and Tommy Matthews of Haskell and Hazel and Ken Clark of Leander; one son and daughter-in-law, Harold H. Hodge, Jr. and Belinda of Arlington; three sisters, Frances Lane, Hortense Lees and Mattie Merle Felker-English, all of Haskell; eight grandchildren, Scott Fields, Wade Matthews, Cliff Hodge, Niki Hodge, Keith Clark, Kevin Clark, Rufus Clark, Todd Stegall; and three great grandchildren, Tristen Clark, Amanda Clark and John David Anderson.

Pallbearers were Dan Hoover, Glenn Brzozowski, Duane Gilly, Kermit Jackson, Ed Walling and Donnie Rieger. Honorary pallbearers were Jay Walling and Rufus Clark.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, P. O. Box 527, Haskell, TX 79521.

## Fire Dept. requests help from County to regulate controlled burns

Speaking at the Haskell County Commissioner's Court meeting Mar. 9, Bill Steele of Haskell Volunteer Fire Department, thanked the County for supporting their endeavors, and invited the Court to a Skywarn class on weather watching.

Steele asked the Commissioners to find a way to enforce the control burn regulations, as follows:

1. Those having the burn need to call the sheriff's office and local fire department.

2. The landowner needs to stay with their controlled burn, and if control is lost, report it.

The fire departments make a list of unnecessary runs to controlled burns, Steele said. This costs the taxpayers money and time lost from work for the firefighters.

He reported the car show was a success and said plans for next year are already underway.

Pct. 3 Commissioner, Kenny Thompson, expressed appreciation along with the entire Court to Paint Creek Volunteer Fire Department for road cleanup in Pct. 3.

Approval was given for Dawn Rodela, head cook at the Experienced Citizen's Center to attend a food service coordination school in College Station.

Discussing the legal contract on the proposed regional county jail and juvenile detention center, the Court tabled action until the final draft is ready. At no cost to the taxpayers, the facility will be analyzed for feasibility before building on it can begin.

Joan Strickland, county librarian, will attend a school in Crowell to learn about forming non-profit and for-profit corporations.

In other business it was announced that: Pct. 1 surplus equipment was not sold, and may be put up for bids; Pct. 2 is going to buy a used truck; and Johnny Earl Billington was drawn to be on the Grievance Committee, pending acceptance.

## Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 895 head of cattle at its sale on Saturday, March 7, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

The market was active and a good demand on all classes.

Cows: fat, .36-.42; cutters, .35-.41; canners, .28-.33.

Bulls: bologna, .48-.52; feeder, .55-.68; utility, .42-.48.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1, 200-300 lbs., 1.00-1.22; 300-400 lbs., .90-1.12; 400-500 lbs., .85-1.00; 500-600 lbs., .78-.93; 600-700 lbs., .73-.85; 700-

800 lbs., .72-.77; 800-up lbs., .62-.71.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1, 200-300 lbs., .85-1.09; 300-400 lbs., .84-1.03; 400-500 lbs., .78-.89; 500-600 lbs., .74-.83; 600-up lbs., .50-73.

Bred Heifers: medium frame, 475-600.

Bred Cows: young to middle aged, 550-700; aged or small, 425-525.

Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, 610-740; small or aged; 475-575.

## Calf roping competitions set

Four Spring dates have been announced for Calf Roping at the Haskell County Arena.

March 15, April 5, May 3 and May 17 will be the days for Open Calf Roping at 3 calves for \$60.00, and #3 Calf Roping at 3 calves for \$45.00. The time will be 2:00 p.m. The First Annual John Wallace

Memorial Roping, held in conjunction with the Wild Horse Prairie Days, will be May 31, at 2:00 p.m. It will be 3 head for \$250.00. Top 12 will qualify for Short Round.

More information may be obtained by calling Carl Hopkins at 940-849-3257 or Fred Hernandez at 940-864-2493.

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## Burns, Davis wed

Potosi Baptist Church was the scene of the March 7 wedding of Bridgette Carole Burns, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Timothy I. Burns of Abilene, and Ronald Ray Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Davis of Haskell. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Donny Harbers.

The Maid of honor was Holly Bear, of Abilene. Bridesmaids were Jesse Kingery of Lubbock, Michelle Alexander of Rockdale and Cori Nelson of Abilene. Flower girls were Leslie Mauldin of Sachse and Katy Bosnjok of Haskell.

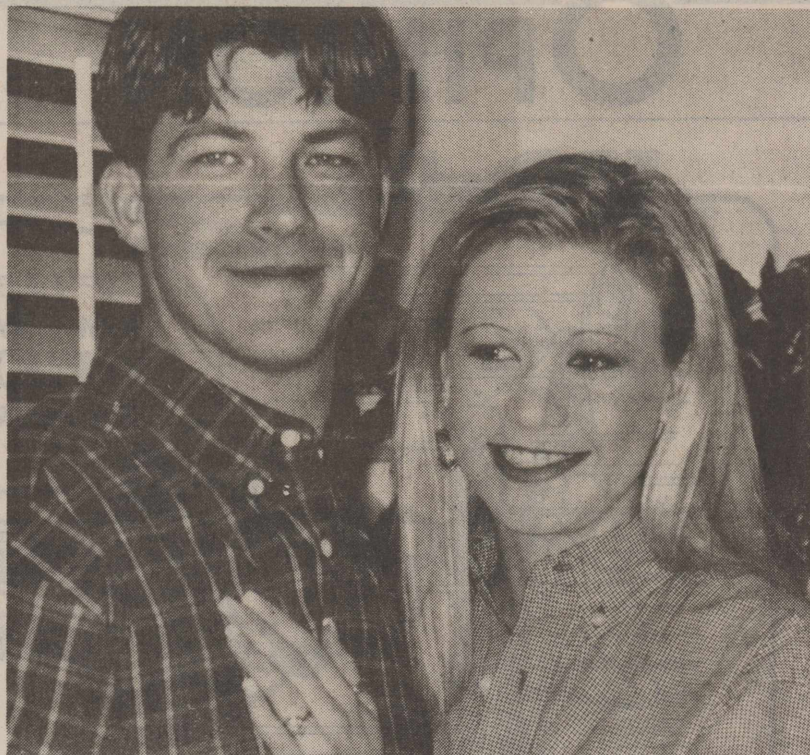
Corey Mills, of Houston was the

Best Man. Groomsmen were Marty Decker of Lubbock, Mitch Mayfield of Weinert and Jonathan Dever of Haskell.

Ushers were Mark Burns of Houston, brother of the bride and Ricky Anderson of Haskell.

The bride attended Wylie High School and American Airlines Travel Academy. The bridegroom attended Haskell High School and the University of Texas, El Paso.

After their honeymoon trip to Fredricksburg and San Antonio, the couple will live in Abilene.



CHRIS BEESON—NACOLE LEFEVRE

## Lefevre, Beason plan May wedding

Sharon Lefevre of Haskell announces the engagement of her daughter, Nacole, to Chris Beeson, son of Rische and Diana Beeson of Lubbock.

Nacole is the daughter of the late Douglas Lefevre.

They plan to be married at Monterey Church of Christ in Lubbock on May 16.

## Judge Charles Chapman recognized by State Bar

District Judge Charles Lewis Chapman of Haskell was among 4,200 attorneys recognized by the College of the State Bar of Texas during its annual awards luncheon held Feb. 21 in Austin.

Created in 1982 by the Supreme Court of Texas, the College recognizes members of the State Bar who voluntarily attain an extraordinary number of continuing legal education credits each year. To qualify for membership, attorneys must complete 80 hours

of continuing legal education (CLE) within a three-year period, or 45 hours during the current year. To maintain membership in the College, an attorney must complete at least 30 hours of CLE each year; twice the number of hours required of all lawyers in Texas.

This distinguished group of honored attorneys account for less than eight percent of the 63,000 attorneys licensed to practice in Texas.

### Around Town By Joyce Hawkins

John Conn of Austin, came on Thursday to visit his children, Mr. and Mrs. David Conn and Sebrina and Daniel and Julie Conn. He helped Daniel celebrate his birthday and returned back to Austin Friday.

Visiting with Dora Holley last week were her sisters and husbands, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Abbott of Arlington, and Mr. and Mrs. Alvin White of Breckenridge. Dora has

been ill for awhile.

Mr. and Mrs. Frankie Don White are spending some time with parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Frank White while on spring break.

Darlene Cummins of DeSoto came on Thursday and spent the weekend with Mom, Neat Bevel. She took her to Abilene for a doctor's appointment.

### Students in the News

Deanna Dawn Liles was recognized by McMurry University for scholastic achievement, qualifying for the Dean's Honor List, during the fall 1997 semester.

To make the Dean's Honor List, a student must complete at least 12 semester hours for credit and earn a 3.5 or better grade-point average.

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## Weinert FCE Club learns house cleaning tips

The Weinert FCE Club met March 3 in the Extension Office Kitchen. Hostess Kathryn Schonerstedt gave a reading titled "Don't Quit". Members answered roll call with the most disliked house cleaning task.

Rally Day is March 25 in Seymour. The district meeting is April 16 at the Haskell Civic Center. "Sidewalk Cafe" will be the theme. Stormy Higgins will present the afternoon program.

The program for the afternoon was presented by Estalynn Liles and Alice Yates. Liles reported on

garden and houseplant hints. A helpful handout was issued to the members. Yates spoke to the group about spring house cleaning tips and entertained the group with many time-saving tips.

The next meeting will be April 7 with Estalynn Liles acting as hostess at the Extension Office kitchen at 2 p.m.

Hostess Kathryn Schonerstedt served refreshments to Estalynn Liles, Henrietta Rueffer, Betty Sanders, Myrtle Therwhanger and Alice Yates.

## Sagerton AAL branch receives gold star rating

Members of Aid Association for Lutherans (AAL) Branch 2947, Sagerton, have been awarded a Gold Star rating by the fraternal benefit society in recognition of exemplary volunteer service to the community.

AAL's 9,838 branches are ranked in several performance categories. To achieve a Gold Star rating, branches annually must sponsor a least one AAL benevolent activity (fund-raiser, work project, etc.), conduct at least

12 meetings, sponsor at least one educational activity and one member awareness event, and comply with AAL's attendance, voting and reporting requirements.

AAL Branch 2947 is led by Clayton Stegemoeller, president, of Sagerton; Tami Baitz, secretary, of Sagerton; Robert Turner, vice president of Rule; and Kathleen Teichelman, treasurer, of Sagerton.

Branch 2947 is supported by AAL District Representative Richard Law, LUTCF, FIC, Abilene.

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## Sidewalk astronomers to visit Fort Griffin

The Fort Worth Sidewalk Astronomers will be at Fort Griffin State Park, Sat., March 21, to present an evening program. They will have large aperture telescopes set up to observe the night skies. This will be an adventure in deep space with stunning views of planets galaxies, star clusters, moons and comets. The milky way and moon craters will be explored, the planets in their full glory and many of the constellations, will be observed. Everyone will get to view through the telescopes and should be an unforgettable experience for the whole family.

All anyone really needs is their curiosity, but a pair of binoculars can come in handy. All the events will be starting about dusk.

The program is free, however normal park fees will apply.

Fort Griffin State Park has the remains of a Texas fort that was active from 1867 to 1881. The park provides a modern campground and is the home of the State of Texas Longhorn Herd. Fort Griffin is located on US Highway 283, 15 miles north of Albany and 20 miles south of Throckmorton on the Clear Fork of the Brazos River.

For information, contact Lester W. Galbreath, Park Manager at 915/762-3592.

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# OPINION

## State Capital



### HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling  
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

Gov. George W. Bush and Attorney General Dan Morales met last week to resolve a conflict between them over the fees private attorneys stand to collect in the state's \$15.3 billion settlement with the tobacco industry.

Though the meeting was friendly, Bush still plans to go forward with his motion before a Texarkana federal judge to treat the attorney's fees — which total 15 percent of the settlement — separate from the \$15.3 billion. Bush said he thinks the \$2.3 billion attorneys would get is excessive.

Morales' spokesman Ron Dusek said, "The progress being made is that the lawyers are going to get together and try to iron this thing out."

Morales has said the settlement guarantees \$15.3 billion to the state over a period of 25 years and that any reduction of attorney's fees will go back into the pockets of the tobacco industry.

### Homeowner Coverage to Rise

Texas' largest property insurers said last week that the rates for homeowner's coverage will increase statewide this year.

Allstate Insurance, the second-largest property insurer, said the average increase for its policyholders will be 5 percent. Farmers Insurance, the third-largest, said premiums for one of its largest subsidiaries are increasing an average of 8 percent statewide.

State Farm, the largest property insurer in Texas, announced earlier this year that its homeowner's premiums were rising 3.4 percent statewide.

Dallas and Fort Worth homeowners' will pay 10 to 15 percent higher premiums because of property losses caused by hail storms in 1995.

Insurance companies can price their policies up to 30 percent above or below state benchmark rates, which are set by Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer.

### Charter School Papers Eyed

The State Board of Education last week reviewed 83 applications for new independent charter schools.

Most of the planned campuses would offer an education focus differing from public schools to attract parents and students, expanding the alternatives to regular public schools.

About a third of the proposed charters are for existing private and religious schools that want to become publicly financed charter schools, and the remainder would

be new schools, *The Dallas Morning News* reported.

Brooks Flemister, state director for charter schools with the Texas Education Agency, said State Board of Education members can select as many of the 83 proposed charter schools as they wish.

"They can approve all 83 or none, whatever they want to do," Flemister said, referring to the charter school law passed by the Legislature last year. Lawmakers authorized up to 100 new "open enrollment" charter schools in the state, leaving it up to the board to grant the charters.

Such charter schools are publicly financed, exempt from most state regulation such as class-size limits, and accept students regardless of where they live.

Texas presently has 19 independent charter schools — those approved by legislators in 1995.

### SWB Seeks to Enter Market

Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. last week filed a request with the Public Utility Commission to sell long distance service in Texas, saying it had met federal requirements to open its monopoly local service to competition.

In its request, Southwestern Bell said that 155 companies had the PUC's approval to offer local phone service and that more than 340,000 of its lines had been leased by competitors for resale to others.

Critics said, however that Southwestern Bell still has 99 percent of the local lines in its service area and was fighting in the courts to delay competition, the *Austin American-Statesman* reported.

"As long as Southwestern Bell continues to put lawyers first, lobbyists second and local competition last, they should be kept out of the rigorously competitive long distance market," MCI Telecommunications Corp. spokesman C. K. "Chip" Casteel said.

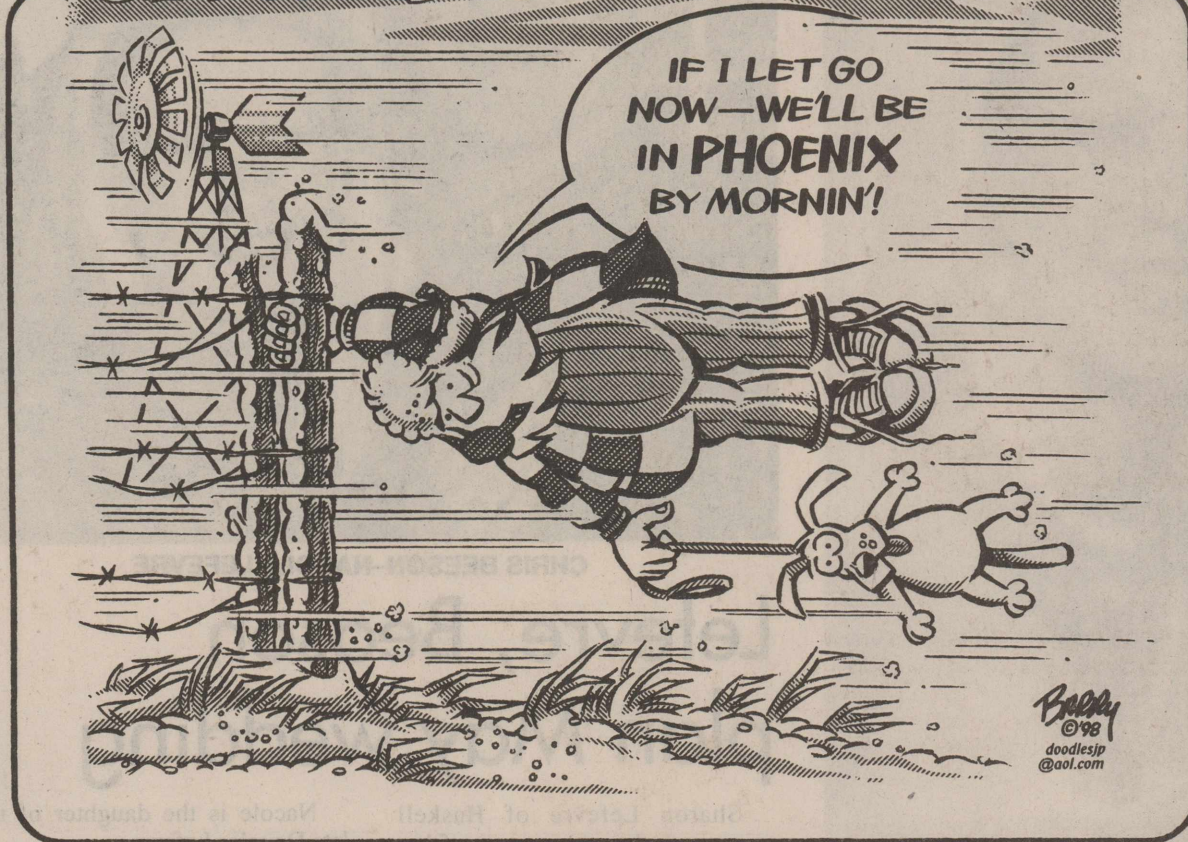
On Dec. 31, a federal court ruled that a provision in the 1996 Telecommunications Act that keeps Southwestern Bell and other "Baby Bells" out of the long distance market is unconstitutional. The ruling has not taken effect, pending appeals.

### Other Capital Highlights

• Top university officials in Texas got much higher average raises this year than faculty and staff, the *American-Statesman* reported. Statewide, presidents and chancellors got average raises of 6.4 percent, according to data compiled by the Texas Faculty Association. Faculty raises averaged about 3 percent and staff got a \$100-a-month increase.

• State epidemiologists reported March 3 that Texas has had 89 cases of invasive group A streptococcus resulting in 18 deaths since Dec. 1.

## J.P. Doodles



## From The Inside Out

By Mary Kaigler

It may be the only subject on which most Texans agree, being the diverse group we are. That is, that when it comes to eating, happiness is a chicken-fried steak; and that it is a self-evident truth that the pursuit of this happiness is part of our inalienable sovereign right as a citizen of this proud state.

Of course, while there is unanimous agreement on this idea in general (like all believing in the Lord), there are as many different points of view on the subject of how to prepare it as there are on how to prepare to get to heaven. Devoted proponents of each view proclaim with equal fervor the deeply-held conviction that theirs is the only true and undefiled way to reach the heaven-on-earth of chicken-fried steak.

Dipped, sprinkled, floured and battered; sure-fire recipes and procedures are constantly being developed, hoarded, shared, treasured and argued over.

The verbal descriptions of the results of these creations are almost an event within themselves. Such heartfelt witnessing can send the true believer rushing through the doors of the cafe of one's choice, hungering and thirsting, seeking the righteous goodness of a chicken-fry.

To a true believer a chicken-fried steak is just that; pure and simple, requiring none of those rare, medium or well-done decisions. (Calling a chicken-fry well-done is redundant.) The option available is in the ever present potato. Fries-baked, hash-browns or mashed, the personal tastes as varied as the gravy recipes.

Devotees of this state-of-the-art menu fare are to be found in every socio-economic stratum in the state, embodying every level from "Yep" to Yuppie; from the old guard to the avant-garde. Even the "best" places serve it to even the "best" people.

A cafe in south Austin has the distinction of having an unusual gravy featuring a touch of sugar. Long blessed with a good reputation for this speciality, and for being one of the few places staying open all night, it dispenses the colloquial cuisine to any hearty soul who is up at any hour experiencing a big-fry attack.

The wee hours were once livened up there by a group of couples who settled in noisily for a past-midnight repast. When one woman in the group saw some diners at an adjoining table who offended her sensibilities, she announced it to all of the assembled. In a loud, raspy voice she stated that the men were of an odd and non-conforming persuasion, gender-wise. Succinctly accomplishing this with one word, she then went on to say that this was a repulsive ambience for dining, and that she highly recommended they be removed from her sight and the premises.

Taking extreme umbrage at this, the other group countered with some choice words of rebuttal, alluding to her on moral activities, and questioning her as an authority on the subject of their's. Not to be denied her righteous judgement, not her right to give it, she warmed to the situation and the attention she was getting.

Qualifying herself as an expert on the subject, she told everyone (by now the crowd had grown), that she certainly should know one of "their kind" when she sees one, having once been married to one for ten years.

Then, feeling insulted by the resulting retorts of the other group, she demanded that someone defend her honor. Her date, being unable to quell her quest for justice, had by that time slipped down in his chair, his chin barely above the table top.

Things being out of hand, with all the accusations flying and reputations being impugned so descriptively, the security guard on duty flagged down a passing vehicle of city peace-keepers, much to the dismay of the lady of the hour.

As both groups were ushered away she further vented her indignation by loudly declaring that she was going to get the guard fired. He had violated her civil rights, she shouted, to enjoy a chicken-fried steak in a decent, moral and peaceful atmosphere.

The good old boys in Texas are serious about their chicken-fry steak. Some of the girls are too!

## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

### 10 Years Ago March 10, 1988

More than 3,000 acres of Haskell County range land that was blackened by a lightning-caused fire kept the Haskell Fire Dept busy.

Larry McMillin was promoted to senior vice president of Haskell National Bank. Carolyn Everett and Wilda D. Medford are new directors.

### 20 Years Ago March 16, 1978

Louise Force, was honored as "Employee of the Month" at Haskell Memorial Hospital.

Tommy Munday has purchased Perry Gulf Station and renamed it North Side Gulf.

### 30 Years Ago March 14, 1968

A cattle drive headed out for the

Haskell Livestock Auction. A 100 head belonging to Allen Overton was drove "western style" by real live cowboys.

Spanish Two students had a successful trip when they went to Monterrey, Mexico for their Spanish trip.

### 40 Years Ago March 13, 1958

Heaviest snowfall in more than a decade covered Haskell and this area with from six to seven inches of fast-melting snow.

Mrs. Hazel Weaver, teacher of Haskell High, was elected vice president to the Texas State Teachers Association of District 7.

### 50 Years Ago March 11, 1948

Six Haskell 4-H students received outstanding achievement

awards this week. They were Betty Anne Free, Novis Allison, Lois Allison, Laura Thornton, Jean Diers and Lois Wyatt.

### 80 Years Ago March 16, 1918

J. V. Hudson, Haskell stockman shipped two cars of fine white-faced cattle to the Fat Stock Show in Fort Worth.

Courtney Hunt returned from Dallas, where he purchased new merchandise for the Hunt Dry Goods store and the Grissom store.

Constable R. B. Wilson of Munday, was the victim of pickpockets while on a visit to Fort Worth last week.

King Perdue, after a month's stay with home folks in the Foster community, left Sunday for Camp Cody.

## Legal Matters

By Attorney Gen. Dan Morales

As a consumer, you have three options when it comes to purchasing a vehicle for your personal transportation needs. You can buy a new car, buy a used car or lease a car. As Attorney General, I want you to have the information you need to make the right choice for your own situation.

In recent years, many consumers have chosen to lease a car or truck for a few years, rather than buying one. In response to consumer complaints, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) has issued new disclosure rules that should simplify car leasing. Car dealers are now required to give consumers detailed information about the cost and terms of the deal before a vehicle lease is signed.

### Full disclosure Under the new rules a vehicle

lease must specify:

- the total number of payments and the payment schedule
- the total amount that you must pay before taking possession of the vehicle, including taxes and license fees
- the rent charge (which is comparable to the interest rate you pay on a loan)
- the residual value of the vehicle (the value the vehicle will have when the lease ends)
- the amount the consumer must pay for early termination (to end the lease early)

The lease must also contain specific information on what constitutes normal wear and tear, and how much the consumer will be charged for it. The lease must disclose all fees the consumer must pay at the end of the lease in addition to normal wear and tear,

such as a fee for purchasing the vehicle instead of returning it to the dealer.

The lease must be written in language that is easily understood by an ordinary consumer. Advertisements for vehicle leases are also affected by the new rules. The rules bar "fine print" from written ads. Television and radio ads may not use fast-talking legalese to explain the terms of their offers.

### Lease or buy?

If you plan to keep a car for a long time, you might consider buying a new car. For the first several years it will be under warranty, and once the car is paid for, the cost of running it should be fairly low (assuming no major mechanical problems occur).

The biggest advantage to buying a used car is the initial price. Because you don't have to pay for the sharp drop in value that occurs the moment a new car is driven off the lot, the price can be much lower.

Leasing has caught on largely because of rising new car prices. Leasing now accounts for more than 30 percent of all the new cars rolling off dealer lots. Late-model used and program cars are also being leased, in part due to the large number of leased new cars being returned to dealers after the usual 3-year lease period.

The advantage of leasing is have lower payments, compared to a car purchased. The disadvantage is that you do not own anything of value when the lease expires. Leasing generally requires a good credit record.

### For more information

Personal driving habits are the best guide to whether you should buy or lease a vehicle. Leasing may be appropriate for people who expect to trade in every few years, who don't have much money for a down payment, or who need a car that always looks showroom ready.

For more information about consumer issues, visit our home page at <http://www.oag.state.tx.us>, or write to the Office of the Attorney General, Research and Legal Support Division, PO Box 12548, Austin, TX 78711-2548 for a listing of our free consumer protection brochures.

## Letters to the editor

Dear editor:  
Please print this letter in the hope that something can or will be done about people that drive highway speeds in the city limits of South Haskell.

On February 21, 1998, as I was driving through Haskell on my way to funeral in Oklahoma, I saw where someone had run over a large creamy-white dog by the old rock motel. Whoever hit the dog shame on you for leaving him lying in the street. He was still gasping for breath when I pulled him out of the street. As an animal lover I just could not leave him lying there. Slow down before you hit a person.

Shame on the men that slowly drove by in their pick-ups, gawking, as I pulled the dying dog onto the grass at the old motel. I could not lift him by myself, so I could have used some help getting the dog off the highway.

Shame on the owner of the dog for allowing him to run loose, to die in such a horrible way. In the future, don't get another pet, if you are not willing to take complete responsibility for its confinement and care.

Finally, thank you to whoever I talked to at the Sheriff's Department for getting the pup's body picked up. I'm sorry we had

to be the ones to clean up after the people that did not take responsibility for their actions.

Thank you for printing this letter and I hope that people will take a little more time or leave a little earlier so they can drive slower in town, then maybe somebody else will not have to move a dying animal/person from the highway.

Shirley Parker  
Abilene

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Dear Editor:

The Weinert Volunteer Fire Department wishes to express appreciation to the American Legion for use of the Legion Hall, and to Double A Drive Inn, Modern Way Food and Mrs. Baird's Bread who helped sponsor our activity.

Special thanks to Ann Horan, Mary Ann, Faye Tidrow and Christy Hill for volunteering to serve the dinner for us, and to David Davis for helping cook.

We appreciate the Haskell Free Press for the published write ups for the Fire Department. Also, thanks to the citizen's for their participation, and to all candidates running for office.

Fire Chief Fred Horan  
Assist. Chief Shane Stout  
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## 39 entries brave weather for car show

Thirty nine vehicles were entered in the Haskell Volunteer Fire Department's Classic Car Show held Sat. Mar. 7. Winners in the ten categories were:

- Late Great through '64  
 1. Jerry Stocks, '55 Ford  
 2. Wes Steele, '64 Mustang  
 3. Jason Shaw, '64 Galaxie
- Street Machines  
 1. James Dunlap, '48 Ford, 2 door sedan  
 2. Coy Scoggins, '67 Nova  
 3. Thomas Rodriguez, '53 Ford

- Hot Rods  
 1. Fred McGee, Cushing, Okla., '48 Chevy coupe  
 2. Jack Sims, Chandler, Okla., '41 Chevy 2 door sedan  
 3. John Sparks, Chandler, Okla., '38 Chevy coupe
- Older Pickups through '73  
 1. Joyce Sparks, Chandler,

- Okla., '39 Chevy Pickup.  
 2. Carlos Andrada, '57 Chevy  
 3. John Watson, Jr., Ford Pickups '74 and up  
 1. Dave Miller, Chevy  
 2. Roy Scoggins, '92 Chevy '65 and up  
 1. Ben McGee, '77 Pontiac Transam  
 2. Jack Williams, Abilene, Javelin  
 3. Bobby Myers, Ford Comet

- Antique Cars and Trucks  
 1. Elmer Adams, Weinert, '29 Ford

- Antique Tractors  
 1. Adam Coleman, Paint

- Creek, John Deere  
 2. Elmer Adams, Weinert, Farmall
- Motorcycles  
 1. Thomas King, Goldwing  
 2. Yvonne Roysdon, Honda
- Go Kart  
 1. Brett Acosta  
 Hot Wheels Race  
 1. Amy Gray  
 2. Randle Pace
- Best of Show  
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- Traveling Trophy  
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**NEW TEAM**—Members and coaches of the new Maidens softball team are (back row) Coach Robb McClellan, Amanda Perry- right field, Heather Steele- catcher, Kristi Escobedo- second base, Brittany Bartley- first base, Tara Hamilton- first base, Tiffany Loving- left field, coach Scott Broussard. Middle row, Paige Hagadone- left field, Rosalinda Gonzales- short stop, April Villarreal- center field, Misti Wheat- right field, Misty Rodela- pitcher, Amanda Crawford- catcher. Front row, Nicky McCulloch- second base, Creora Tatum, and Melanie Alvarez- third base. Not pictured is Emily Wheat- center field.

## Sagerton News

By Dorothy M. Clark

Spring weather turned back into winter and we awakened Sunday morning to a snow covered landscape and blustery north wind that made us put on more clothing and bring out the coats before going to church! By noon the snow was gone, but the cold wind remained and we're hoping that we change back to spring again.

We welcome a new family to our community. They are Joe and Margie Luevano and children

### Free soil testing offered

Time is still left to get your soil tested free in Haskell and Knox Counties. The Seymour Aquifer Project office is sponsoring a free soil program for area producers.

The soil sample should be taken from a uniform area of the field and represent from 10 to 40 acres. Take 10 to 15 samples from the field and mix in a clean plastic bucket, take out about one pint for a composite sample. Be sure to fill out an information sheet to send in along with the sample. The information sheet asks about the type of crop to be grown and the yield goal of the crop.

The free soil testing program is sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the Natural Resources Conservation Service. For soil sample bags and information sheets come by the project office at 900 South Ave. E in Haskell or call (940) 864-3334 or 864-3583.

Yolando, Lisa and Ernie. Mr. Luevano is employed by Steven Lehrmann and the children attend Rule schools. They moved into the remodeled home of former Sagerton residents, Larry and Betty Louise Cornelison and prior to that, the August Balzers.

Congratulations are in order for Jonathan Lammert who recently made the Dean's List at Texas A&M. He is the son of Danny and Helen Lammert. Also to Robin Ramey, who made the Dean's list at A.C.U. She is the wife of the Pastor of the Sagerton Methodist.

Another report on the Houston Stock Show where several of our local youth were participating in last week. They all made the sale and M'Lynn Lehrmann came in 20th in her division with her Duroc pig and Brian Lehrmann came in 24th with his Hamp. They are the children of Steven and Karen Lehrmann. Clancey and Helen are the proud grandparents. Michelle Stegemoeller, daughter of Clayton and Paula and granddaughter of Leon and Mae, won 3rd place with her Heavyweight Spot. Fred and

Billie are honored to call her their granddaughter. Sagerton is proud to be the place where such fine hogs are raised and congratulate these students for their accomplishments and hard work.

The monthly community supper was held at the center last Tuesday night with Clancey and Helen Lehrmann, J. B. and Dorothy Toney, and Joe and Dorothy Clark hosting the Mexican dinner. Ladies of the community brought desserts and citizens enjoying the meal and fellowship included Delbert and Joyce LeFevre, Mary Neinast, James Gellner, Alvin and Ev Ulmer, Frances Clark, Pastor Jeff and Marie Zell, G. W. and Ophelia LeFevre, Alvin and Alice Bredthauer, Corene Lowack, Wilma Teichelman, Bill and Margie Hertel, and Charles and Dorothy Clark. Delbert and Joyce LeFevre and Bill and Margie Hertel will serve as host for the April meal.

Don and Patsy Bivins of Valley View, Emmalee Bivins of Haskell, and Emma Raphael of Stamford spent the weekend in the home of Joe and Dorothy Clark.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Southwestern Bell) filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) to charge an additional 26 cents per month per line to recover costs for providing Expanded Local Calling service (ELC) to certain Texas Customers.

The 26 cents per month surcharge would not be billed to customers who receive ELC. However, customers who receive ELC and pay less than the maximum \$3.50 a month residential ELC charge or less than the maximum \$7 business ELC charge will have to pay the additional 26 cents per month charge.

Expanded Local Calling was created in 1993 by Texas legislation that requires telephone companies to provide toll-free calling between small towns that share a community of interest such as a school or hospital district. The legislation allows telephone companies to recover costs not paid through customer charges by applying a surcharge to all other customers in the state who do not receive the ELC service or who do not pay the maximum ELC rate. The maximum monthly ELC rate allowed under state law is \$3.50 per line for residential customers and \$7 per line for business customers.

Southwestern Bell estimates that the 26 cents per month per line charge will recover the \$27 million annual cost of providing ELC service that is not recovered from ELC rates.

If approved by the PUC, the monthly statewide surcharge of 26 cents per line per month will begin with the April, 1998 billing cycles, with an agreement to refund all or part of the charge if the PUC does not approve it.

For questions about the reasons for the charge, please call the Southwestern Bell Business Office listed in your directory.

The PUC assigned Docket Number 18513 to this proceeding. The deadline for intervention in this matter is March 31, 1998. Persons who wish to intervene or comment in these proceedings should notify the PUC by March 31, 1998. All requests to intervene should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX, 78711-3326. For information intervening, please call the PUC at 1-888-782-8477 or at 512-936-7120.

### AVISO PUBLICO

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Southwestern Bell) presentó una solicitud ante la Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas (PUC) para cobrar 26 centavos más al mes por línea para recuperar los costos por el servicio de Llamadas Locales Ampliadas (ELC) a ciertos clientes en Texas.

El cargo de 26 centavos al mes no se cobrará a los clientes que reciben ELC. Sin embargo, los clientes que reciben ELC y pagan menos del máximo de \$3.50 al mes por el servicio ELC residencial o menos del máximo de \$7 por el servicio ELC comercial, tendrán que pagar 26 centavos adicionales a su pago mensual.

El servicio de Llamadas Locales Ampliadas (ELC) fue establecido en 1993 por la legislación del estado de Texas y requiere que las compañías prestadoras de servicios telefónicos ofrezcan llamadas de larga distancia gratuitas entre pequeñas poblaciones que comparten un interés común tales como distritos escolares y de hospitales. Esta ley permite que las compañías telefónicas recuperen los costos no pagados mediante cargos a clientes, a través de un cargo a todos los demás clientes en el estado que no reciben el servicio ELC o que no pagan la tarifa máxima del servicio ELC. La tarifa máxima mensual permitida por la ley estatal es \$3.50 por línea para clientes con servicio residencial y \$7 por línea para clientes con servicio comercial.

Southwestern Bell calcula que los 26 centavos al mes por línea cubrirán los \$27 millones del costo anual del servicio ELC que no está cubierto por las tarifas de ELC.

Si la PUC autoriza el cargo mensual estatal de 26 centavos al mes por línea éste comenzará a partir de los ciclos de facturación de abril 1998, con el acuerdo de reembolsar todo o parte del cargo si la PUC no lo autoriza.

Para preguntas relacionadas con este cargo, por favor llame a la Oficina Local de Southwestern Bell listada en su directorio telefónico.

La PUC asignó el número de registro de 18513 a este procedimiento. El plazo de intervención sobre este asunto terminará el 31 de marzo de 1998. Las personas que deseen intervenir o hacer comentarios sobre este procedimiento deberán notificar a la PUC antes del 31 de marzo de 1998. Todas las solicitudes de intervención deberán enviarse por correo a Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX 78711-3326. Para mayor información sobre la intervención, por favor comuníquese con la PUC al 1-888-782-8477 o al 512-936-7120.

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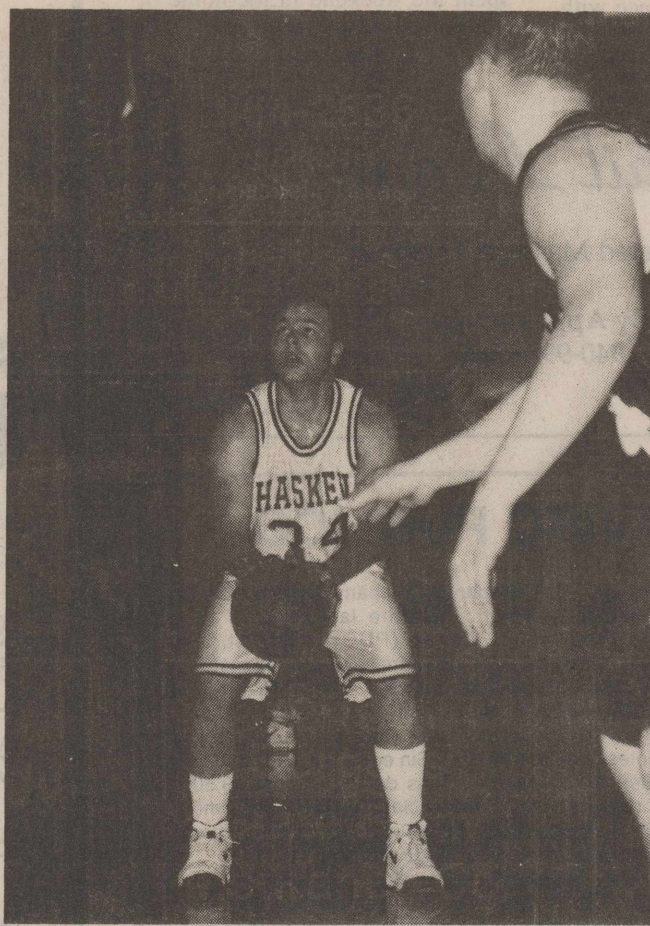
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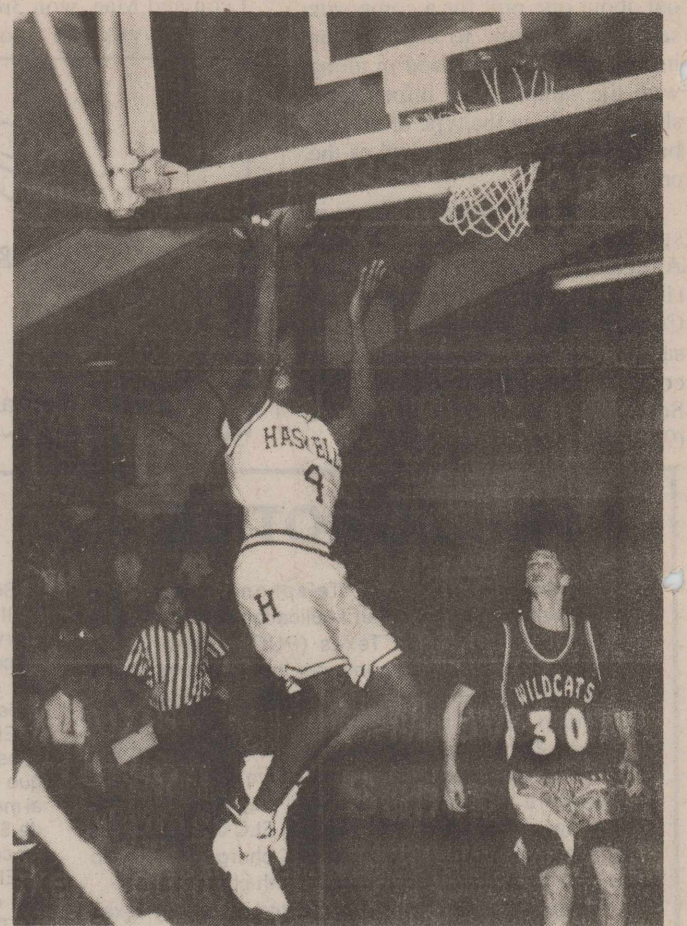
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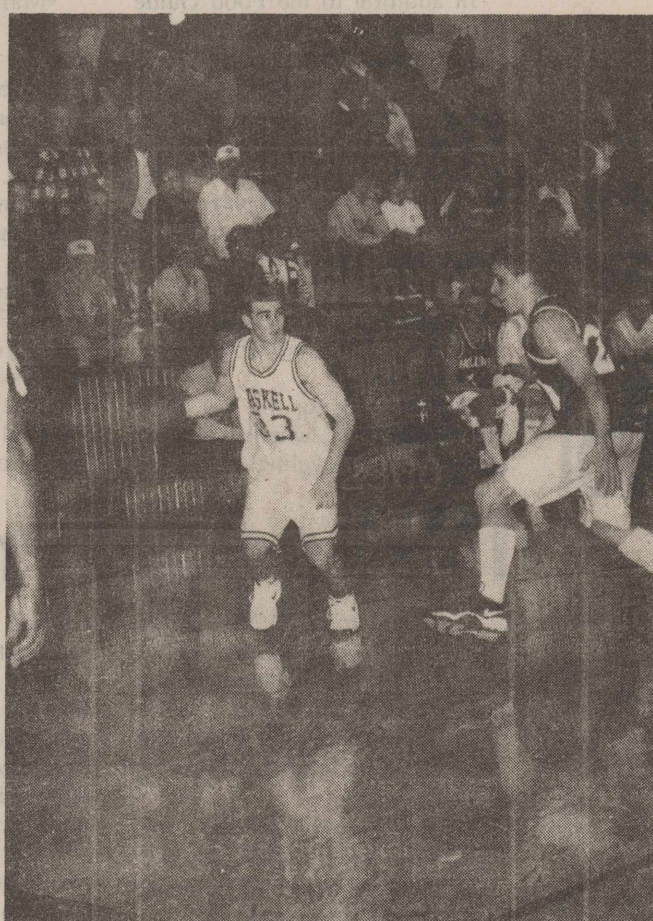
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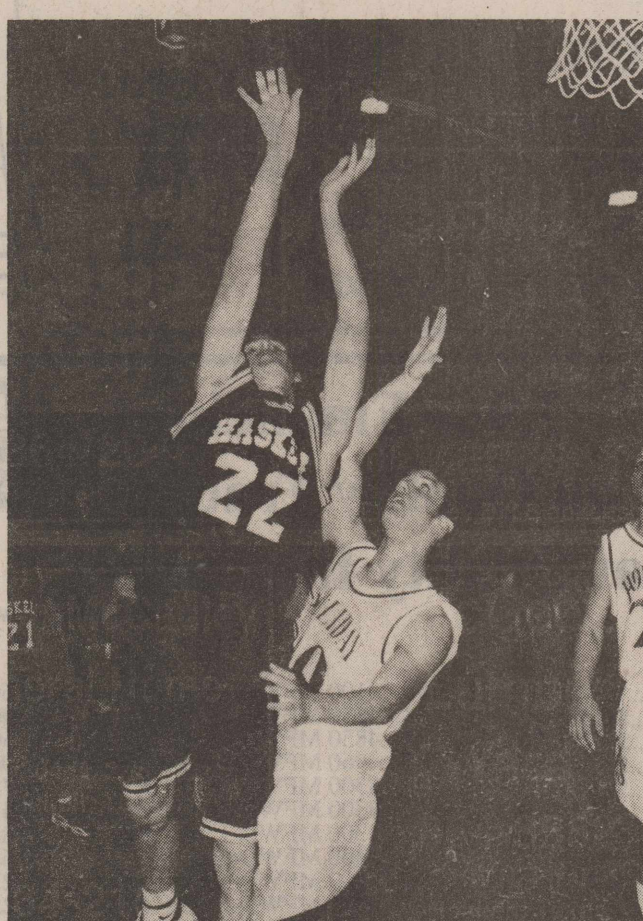
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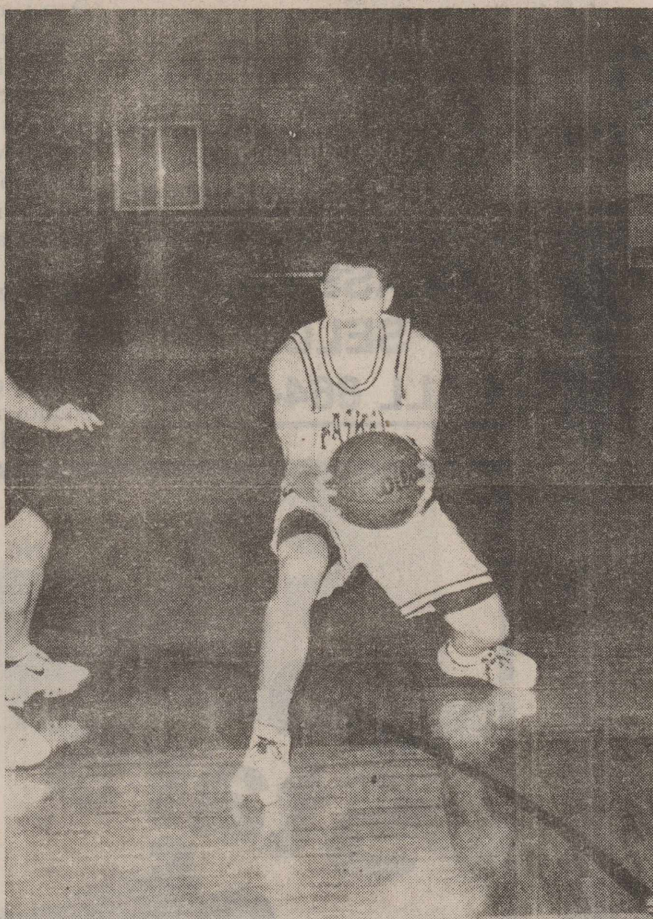
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# Healthy eating important for all ages

Second in a Series by Lou Gilly  
County Extension Agent-FCS  
At every stage of life, healthful eating fuels fitness. Consumers can benefit from a lifelong eating pattern that promotes health by adapting food choices and physical activity to match personal needs. Yet, statistics show not everyone is taking steps necessary to achieve good health. A recent nationwide survey conducted by The American Dietetic Association (ADA) indicates that 55 percent of

Americans 55 and older say they do all they can to live a healthful lifestyle, compared to only 28 percent of 25-34 year olds. "It's encouraging to see that the majority of older Americans realize the importance of eating well. However, nutrition is an important issue for people of all ages." The sooner you develop healthful eating and physical activity habits, the longer, healthier, and perhaps more enjoyable you life may be. According to Fitz, everybody needs the same nutrients, just in different amounts. Age, gender and body size are among the reasons why people's nutrient needs differ. Solid advice for all people, according to Fitz, is to enjoy an eating plan in accordance with the Food Guide Pyramid based primarily on grain products, followed by vegetables, fruits, with moderate amounts of dairy products, lean meats fish, poultry and legumes and small amounts of fats, oils and sweets. In addition to the Food Guide Pyramid recommendation, ADA offers the following advice:

**Children**  
•Get a healthy start to the day. Kids need a good breakfast to get moving in the morning and to do their best in school and play.  
•Increase daily intake of fiber. Eating a variety of grains, fruits and vegetables is the best way to fill children's needs for complex carbohydrates, soluble and insoluble fiber.  
•Get moving for the fun of it. Physical activity, whether playing hopscotch or bicycling, and good

nutrition are key to developing a healthful lifestyle.  
**Women**  
•Choose iron-rich foods. During childbearing years, increased need for iron may be a concern. Make daily selections from lean red meat, liver, pinto and kidney beans, spinach, enriched and whole grain breads, cereals rice and pasta.  
•Select low-fat dairy foods. Build and maintain strong bones throughout life by getting enough calcium. Include three to four daily servings of calcium-rich foods such as non- or low-fat milk, yogurt, cheese, broccoli, sardines and collard greens to reduce the risk of osteoporosis.  
•Get enough folic acid before and during pregnancy. Eat a variety of folate-rich foods to prevent neural tube birth defects. Foods rich in folate include citrus fruits and juices, dark green, leafy vegetables, whole-grain and fortified breads and cereals, and legumes (beans, peas and peanuts).  
•Maintain a healthy body weight. "Energy in" must balance "energy out." Make a commitment to the following lifestyle behaviors: enjoy a variety of foods in moderation, get regular physical activity, and personalize efforts to match individual schedules, family situations and personal preferences.  
**Older Adults**  
•Enjoy plenty of calcium-rich foods. Foods such as milk, cheese and yogurt can slow the progression of bone loss.  
•Keep moving. Moderate physical activity helps keep blood pressure, cholesterol and blood

sugar normal, strengthens muscles and bones, and helps digestion.  
•Keep drinking water. Take lots of fluids to prevent dehydration.  
•Enjoy a variety of foods. Perk up the flavor of favorite foods by using herbs, spices and lemon juice to compensate for a diminished sense of taste or smell.  
**People of All Ages**  
•Be realistic. Gradually make changes in lifestyle and eating habits. And, remember, nobody's perfect. Allow for an occasional slip up, but get back on track as soon as possible.  
•Be adventurous. Try new foods. By expanding choices, people are more likely to get sufficient quantities of the 40 essential nutrients found in foods, which may increase vitality and reduce risk for many diseases.  
•Be flexible. No need to worry about just one meal or one day. Balance meals and physical activity over several days.  
•Be sensible. Enjoy all foods, just don't over do it.  
•Be active. Walk the dog, don't just watch the dog walk.  
The nearly 70,000-member American Dietetic Association is the world's largest organization of food and nutrition professionals. With headquarters in Chicago, ADA serves the public by promoting optimal nutrition, health and well-being. Established in 1990, NCND is ADA's public education center and provides objective food and nutrition information.

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## TDH adopts new initiative

According to the 1997 Annual Report of the Texas Department of Human Services, the state spent a total of \$2,843,165.00 last year for major welfare programs in Haskell County. The statistics are as follows:  
•Food stamps reached 872 clients for a total of \$667,265.00.  
•Temporary assistance to needy families reached 217 recipients for a total of \$147,476.00.  
•Long term care helped 75 clients in Nursing Homes for a total of \$1,494,084.00.  
•Community care for aged and disabled assisted 82 clients for a total of \$534,349.00.  
Believing that work is always better than welfare, the Texas Department of Human Services (DHS) Commissioner Eric M. Bost announced in Oct. 1997, the start of Texas Works, a new state-wide initiative to help thousands of

current and potential welfare recipients move into the workplace. It is designed in the hopes of burying once and for all the old culture of welfare dependency on our state, Bost said. "Every able-bodied adult will hear a clear and strong message. "The message is we want each person to be self-sufficient so they can enjoy the pride that comes from supporting their own family. The message is we at DHS will do all we can to help families become self-sufficient, but adults must also take the initiative to help themselves." Under Texas Works, the Department is opening resource rooms in most of the agency's 500 field offices. The rooms contain computers with Internet access to job listings, job search and interview technique tips, lists of available child care and transportation, and names of organizations that provide work clothes. Field staff, now known as Texas Works Advisors, will also change their focus of work from merely determining eligibility, to helping adults overcome barriers to employment. Agency employees will also be encouraged to

coordinate with a wide assortment of community groups to provide support for welfare recipients seeking work. This is the first of several steps that will be taken to help needy families break their dependency on public assistance programs. Commissioner Bost's hope is that the long term benefit of Texas Works will be felt by at least two generations, wanting the children to see their parents going to work each day, and realize that getting an education and a job is the real key to success. Commissioner Bost wants the adults to know the pride and esteem that comes from earning a paycheck, and every Texas to know that the old welfare system is dead once and for all.

## Marriage Licenses

Marriage licenses issued in February by Rhonda Moeller, Haskell Co. Clerk include: Rickey Garcia and Cynthia Ann Garcia, both of Knox City.

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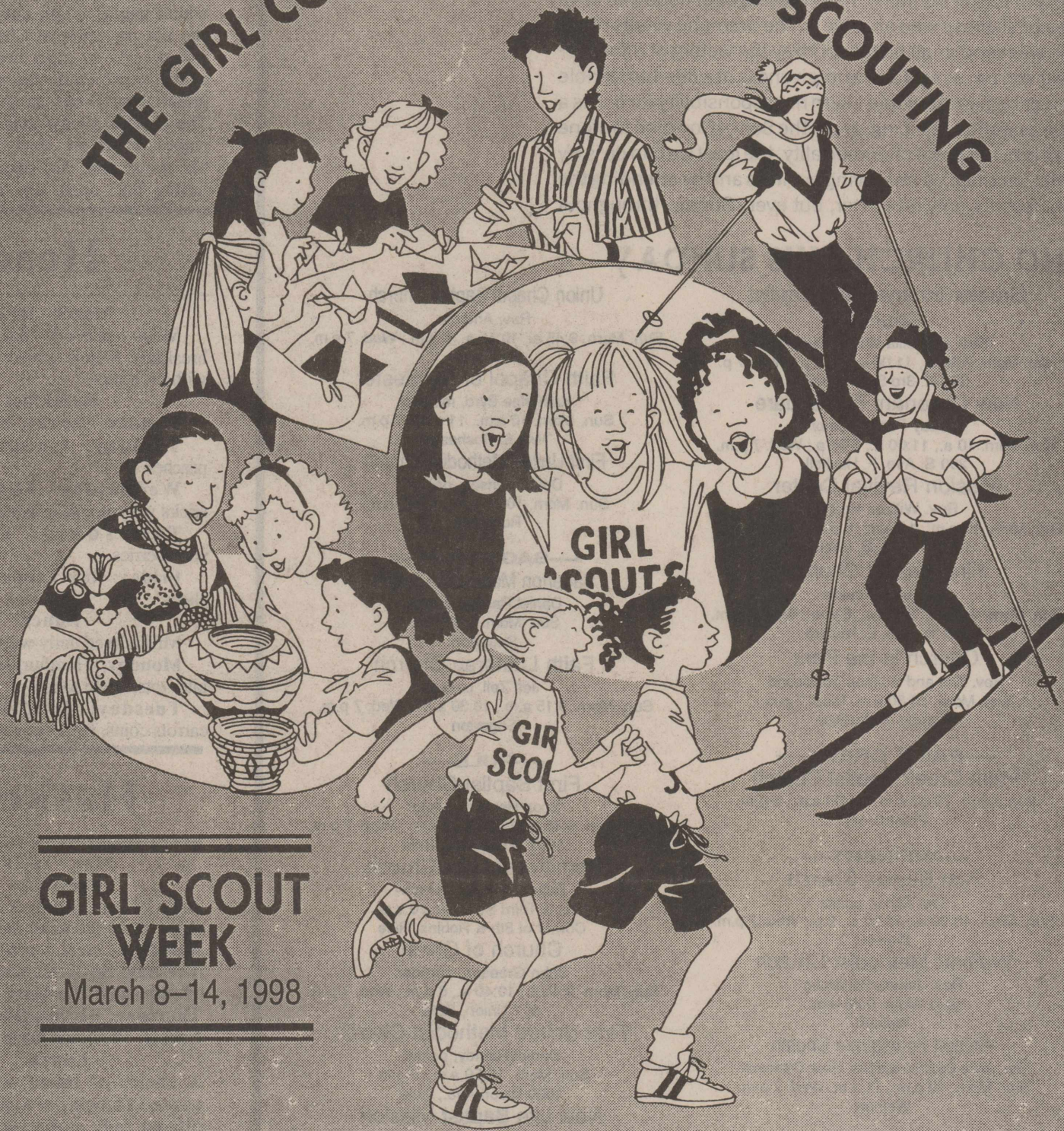




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# We Salute Girl Scout Week March 8–14, 1998

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**Troop 462**  
Leaders: **Birdie Goudeau**  
**Paula Sammons**  
Melissa Buerger  
Jenny Goudeau  
KeliJo McCarty  
Leslie Grand  
Christina Sammons

**Troop 47**  
Leader: **Johnna Messenger**  
Nikki Starnes  
Debi Long  
Amanda Johnson  
Olivia Messenger

**Service Unit Director**  
**Felecia Wallace**

Girl Scout Week is the week of March 12th, that day in 1912 when Juliette Low gave her cousin a phone call proclaiming the good news that would change the lives of millions of girls. Many troops/groups plan special ceremonies either

on March 12th or on whichever day that they meet during Girl Scout Week. Girl Scout Sunday is the Sunday that begins the week in which March 12 falls, and Girl Scout Sabbath is the Saturday before Girl Scout Sunday. Girls often wear their uniforms to their religious services.

In some communities, girls plan community events and publicize their accomplishments. In other cases, groups have honored famous or historical women, or women in their community who were Girl Scouts. Members from many

years back have united for reunions. Communities have sought out their oldest Girl Scout and made her an honored guest at a special ceremony. All of these are possibilities for celebrating Girl Scout Week.

  
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## ECC Calendar and Menu

**Monday, March 16**  
 Lunch—B. B. Q. chicken, potato salad, pinto beans, carrot raisin salad, onions, orange jello/pineapple, milk, tea or coffee  
 5:30 p.m. Potluck supper and game night

**Wednesday, March 18**  
 10:30 a.m. Blood pressure/Blood sugar check, Cornerstone Home Health  
 10:30 a.m. Exercise, Outreach Home Health

Lunch—Beef stew, cabbage slaw, applesauce, gingerbread, milk, tea or coffee

**Friday, March 20**  
 10:30 a.m. Beltone Hearing  
 Lunch—Meat loaf, corn O'Brien, potatoes, okra, tomatoes, banana pudding, 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.

## Food for thought

by Charles H. Spurgeon  
 Men ought always to pray.”  
 Luke 18:1

If men ought always to pray and not to faint, much more Christian men. Jesus has sent his church into the world on the same errand upon which he himself came, and this mission includes intercession.

What if I say that the church is the world's priest? Creation is dumb, but the church is to find a mouth for it. It is the church's high privilege to pray with acceptance. The door of grace is always open for her petitions, and they never return empty-handed. The veil was rent for her, the blood was sprinkled upon the altar for her, God constantly invites her to ask what she wills.

Will she refuse the privilege which angels might envy her? Is she not the bride of Christ? May she not go in unto her king at every hour? Shall she allow the precious privilege to be unused? The church always has need for prayer. There are always some in her midst who are declining, or falling into open sin. There are lambs to be prayed for, that they may be carried in Christ's bosom? the strong, lest they grow presumptuous and the weak, lest they become despairing.

If we kept up prayer-meetings four-and-twenty hours in the day, all the days in the year, we might never be without a special subject for supplication. Are we ever without the sick and the poor, the afflicted and the wavering? Are we ever without those who seek the conversion of relatives, the reclaiming of back-sliders, or the salvation of the depraved? Nay, with congregations constantly gathering, with ministers always preaching, with millions of sinner lying dead in trespasses and sins; in a country over which the darkness of Romanism is certainly descending; in a world full of idols, cruelties, devilries, if the church doth not pray, how shall she excuse her base neglect of the commission of her loving Lord?

Let the church be constant in supplication, let every private believer cast his mite of prayer into the treasury.

## This Week's Devotional Message:

### EASTER REVEALS THE TRIUMPH OF LIFE OVER DEATH

The beautiful story of Easter contains many messages of hope that have enriched the lives of all those who observe it. The dramatic events of the most memorable weekend in all history portray the victory of right over wrong and joy over sorrow, as well as the forgiveness of a deed so terrible that even the ruling magistrate would claim no responsibility for it. It is a time for reflection as well as rejoicing; and if the Son of God died to atone for our sins and to provide proof of immortality, the least we can do is try to be worthy of that sacrifice by improving our lives and by attending the Church of our choice; not only on Easter, but every Sunday throughout the year.

### ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

- HASKELL**
- East Side Baptist Church**  
 David Page, pastor  
 Sun. 8:30 a.m., 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 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  
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30  
 Hwy 380 East, Haskell
- Iglesia Bautista El Calvario**  
 Vergil Smith, interim pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 607 S. 7th, Haskell
- First United Methodist Church**  
 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**  
 Luther S. Hollowell, II, 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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- WEINERT**
- First Baptist Church**  
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- ROCHESTER**
- Church of Christ**  
 Steve Willis, minister  
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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  
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 Rochester
- Faith Chapel of Rochester**  
 Katherine Byrd, minister  
 Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m.  
 Hwy 6, Rochester
- First United Methodist Church**  
 Dolan Brinson, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.  
 Rochester
- SAGERTON**
- Sagerton Methodist Church**  
 Daniel Ramey, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.  
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- Faith Lutheran Church**  
 Jeff Zell, pastor  
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- RULE**
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 1001 Union Ave., Rule
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 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
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 Jesus Herrera  
 Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.  
 Elm Street-Hwy 380 E, Rule
- Sweet Home Baptist Church**  
 Matt Herrington, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 Gladstone Ave., Rule
- West Bethal Baptist Church**  
 Rev. Robert Sweet  
 Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.  
 300 Sunny Ave., Rule

## Head Start Menu

**March 16-20**  
 Milk served daily with breakfast. Menus subject to change without notice.

**Breakfast**  
**Monday:** Cherrios, banana  
**Tuesday:** Sausage biscuit, peaches  
**Wednesday:** French toast sticks w/syrup, pear halves  
**Thursday:** Oatmeal, strawberries  
**Friday:** Rice Krispies, orange slices

**Lunch**  
 Milk served daily with lunch.  
**Monday:** Hamburger on bun, tater tots, apple sauce  
**Tuesday:** Baked ham slice, carrots coins, fried okra, roll

**Wednesday:** Ravioli, string cheese, green beans, apricots  
**Thursday:** Steak fingers, smashed potatoes, broccoli, slice bread  
**Friday:** Chicken salad sandwich, zucchini sticks, apple slices

**Snacks**  
**Monday:** Ritz crackers, orange juice  
**Tuesday:** Apple wedges, slice cheese  
**Wednesday:** Vanilla wafers, orange juice  
**Thursday:** Fruit cocktail, milk  
**Friday:** Pig in blanket, apple juice

## Haskell School Menu

**Mar. 16-20**  
**Breakfast**  
 Juice or fruit and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.  
**Monday:** Cereal, toast/jelly  
**Tuesday:** Breakfast burrito  
**Wednesday:** Blueberry muffins  
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**Lunch**  
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**Thursday:** Fajitas, pinto beans, saute onions/peppers, orange  
**Friday:** Hamburger or fishburger, French fries, hamburger trimmings, ice cream

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**March 16-20**  
**Breakfast**  
 Milk and juice are served daily.  
**Monday:** Cereal  
**Tuesday:** Toast, jelly  
**Wednesday:** Biscuits, jelly  
**Thursday:** Pancakes, sausage  
**Friday:** Donuts

**Lunch**  
 Milk is served daily.

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**Wednesday:** Chicken strips, cream potatoes, peas, bread, jello  
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**HOT ROD**—Claude Payne of Haskell showed his '67 Camaro RS at the Haskell Volunteer Fire Dept. Car Show Sat., March 7 in downtown Haskell.

## March 8-14 is Hire The Older Worker Week in Haskell County

In a proclamation signed by David Davis, Haskell County Judge, the week of March 8-14 has been named Hire The Older Worker Week in Haskell County.

In the proclamation Davis states that, "As they year 2000 quickly approaches, Texas must conserve and nurture our natural resources in order to meet the economic and social challenges which lie ahead. Among our most valuable resources are the skills, talents, and abilities of our seniors. Older workers want to stay in the mainstream of our state's economic and social development. They want to be active partners in the labors of tomorrow."

For over thirty years, the Senior Community Service Employment Program, through organizations such as Green Thumb, Inc., has provided older workers with training and employment opportunities to showcase their strengths, their wisdom, and their productivity.

Operating primarily in the rural areas of 132 Texas counties, Green Thumb has given older jobseekers the opportunity of sharing their years of experience, hard work, and dedication through local community service employment and training projects. Funded through the U.S. Department of Labor, the program's emphasis upon training allows participants to transition back into

private sector employment.

Locally, two women who hold positions through Green Thumb, Inc. programs are Lona Mae Phelps, Clerical with Texas Department of Human Services and Nellie Wilson, Kitchen Assistant at Experienced Citizen's Center.

Wendy Brown is Field Operations Coordinator of Green Thumb, Inc. Florence Peden is Director of Experienced Citizen's Center.

Monday Mar. 9, these women were recognized by Green Thumb, Inc. during activities at the ECC as a salute to the abilities of older workers.

## Lisa Pheil recognized during Texas School Psychology Week

By Mary Kaigler  
Staff Writer

In declaring the recent week of March 2-6, 1998, to be School Psychology Week in Texas, Governor George W. Bush stated in the Official Memorandum that "Children are our most precious resource, and we must encourage them to achieve their full potential. To help ensure that children develop educationally, socially and emotionally, school psychologists work closely with teachers and administrators to provide the best learning experience possible."

Governor Bush urges all Texans to recognize the efforts of the Texas Association of School Psychologists (TASP) to improve education for all children.

School psychologists apply their knowledge of learning and human behavior in school settings not only to help children, but also teachers, parents and administrators; speaking about substance abuse, emotional and behavioral problems, teaching and learning strategies and parenting skills. They work toward improving children's learning and adjustment through skills which include consultation with parents and school personnel, development of intervention programs for individuals and groups, psycho-educational and psychological assessment, program development, counseling and research.

Licensed School Psychologist Lisa Pheil of Haskell, speaking of the role of psychologists to help children in the schools, said, "No psychologist has a magic wand for solving every problem for every child. But parents and teachers working together can enhance any child's learning. The parents are the child's first teachers and will remain so throughout life."

She offers a list of some helpful ideas recommended by the National Association of School

Psychologists (NASP) for parenting school age children.

\*Discipline is an important responsibility, often taking a lot of time. Good behavior deserves attention. Catch your child being good.

\*Listen attentively when your child speaks to you. Children learn to respect others if they are treated with respect.

\*Children are special. All children are special in some way. An endearing smile? Are they thoughtful? a good sport? loving? trying their best? Let your children know what you consider special about them.

\*Responsibilities Are your children a helping part of your family? Children need to feel useful in order to develop feelings of self-worth and self-confidence. Home responsibilities can encourage children to become self-sufficient and independent.

\*Praise is the language of

acceptance and love. Children need praise to develop to their fullest potential. Appreciate and accept your children's efforts, no matter how imperfect.

\*School can be an exciting experience. Parents can encourage their child's enthusiasm by reviewing the papers they bring home, finding a place to display schoolwork, reading with them and taking time to go to school activities. Show them that school is important.

Pheil, who is in her second year in Haskell, works through the Haskell-Knox Shared School Arrangement. She previously worked in the Mental Health Clinic in Midland, after being with a private psychology practice. In her position as a School Psychologist, Pheil said she can help any student and teacher solve emotional or specialized behavioral problems which may arise.

## Johnson reports of major resolutions adopted by Silver Haired Legislature

Franceine Johnson of Haskell, a member of the Texas Silver Haired Legislature, represented Texas at the Second Session of the National Silver Haired Congress held recently in Washington, D.C.

According to Johnson, major resolutions were adopted on key aging, family and intergenerational issues.

Among the top resolutions adopted by approximately 300 Silver Haired Senators and Representatives from 34 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico were:

\*A resolution calling for renewal of the Older Americans Act, particularly the national congregate and home delivered meals program;

\*A resolution supporting the preservation of Social Security and the retention of COLAs;

\*A resolution calling for a comprehensive Health Care Consumer Bill of Rights;

\*A resolutions to curtail Medicare and Medicaid fraud through Operation Restore Trust, urging the increased use of volunteers and seniors centers; and

\*A resolution supporting the funding of universal telecommunications services on a national level with contributions coming from all such providers.

In his keynote address to the Silver Haired Congress delegates, House Speaker Newt Gingrich called for a new national "intergenerational conversation" on the future of Social Security. He assured that all those currently on Social Security would continue to receive benefits. Gingrich predicted the reauthorization of the Older Americans Act would occur by the summer, and he stated his support for a major increase in funds for research, including that related to aging.

Johnson described the session as being "productive and proactive. We believe the NSHC has adopted some important policy resolutions which deserve to be acted on by the Congress this year, and we will be working at the grass roots level on behalf of them."

As Chair of the Utility and Natural Resource Committee for the Texas Silver Haired Legislature,

Johnson spoke for the Energy Deregulation Resolution which was adopted by the NSH Congress, asking that the United States Congress oppose electric deregulation.

As a member of the Health Care Committee of the NSH Congress, Johnson spoke with White House Senior Citizen Liaison, Bill White, about the need for the resolution which she introduced, requiring pharmaceutical manufacturers to offer equal access of discounts to all purchasers. Adopting the measure, it was resolved by the NSH Congress that the "U.S. Congress enact legislation requiring pharmaceutical manufacturers to end this discriminatory pricing, so as to allow elderly and uninsured patients to purchase prescriptions from the pharmacy of their own choice at a competitive price."

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