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Calendar

Bible School

Vacation Bible School will be held jointly by First United Methodist Church and Trinity Lutheran Church at Trinity Lutheran Church July 20-23 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Theme is "The Lighthouse Adventure." Children ages 2-4 and grades K-5 are invited to attend. A swimming and pizza party will close the adventure.

HHS registration

Registration for Haskell Secondary students will be Tues., Aug. 4 in the HHS auditorium. Seniors will register at 8 a.m., Juniors at 9 a.m., Sophomores at 10 a.m., Freshmen at 11 a.m., eighth graders at 1 p.m. and seventh graders at 2 p.m.

Weinert FBC to celebrate July 18-19

The Weinert First Baptist Church will hold a 90th anniversary celebration July 18-19 beginning with fellowship on Sat. night at 6 p.m. A worship service is set to begin at 10 a.m. Sunday morning followed by a noon meal. Visiting is planned and services will continue from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday. For more information contact Mary Murphy 940-673-8269.

Immunizations

Texas Dept. of Health in Stamford will hold an immunization clinic Thurs., July 16 in Haskell at the American Legion Hall from 1 to 5 p.m. Call 915-773-5681 for more information.

Ride for lunch

Children needing a free ride to the free lunch program at Haskell Elementary School from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. may call John 864-3171 and leave message. Rides are sponsored by St. George Catholic Church.

Camp cancelled

The Haskell Indian and Maiden basketball camp planned July 21-24 has been cancelled.

Rabies clinic

A routine vaccination clinic for dogs and cats will be held at Rule City Hall Thurs., July 16 at 6 p.m. Dr. Tom Martin will conduct the clinic. For information call 997-2214.

Anson musical

The Opera House in Anson will hold a Third Saturday musical Sat., July 18. The country music show begins at 6:30 p.m. Admission is free. Concession sales and donations go toward Opera House projects. Contact Marlon Smith at 915-823-3761 to be on the program.

McCaulley musical

The McCaulley Recreational Corporation will host a Senior Citizen's dance Mon., July 20 from 7 to 10 p.m. in the community center. No admission is charged. A concession stand will be open. Alcoholic beverages are not permitted. For more information call 915-962-5441.

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A BOY AND HIS BOW—Samuel Bitner proudly holds the trophy he recently won as State Champion Shooter in the American Bowhunters Association tournament in Fort Worth.

Samuel Bitner wins state archery championship

By Mary Kaigler

Nine-year-old archer, Samuel Bitner of Haskell, who began only this year to compete in the sport, has entered seven tournaments and won seven tournaments. Two weeks ago, in the National Bowhunters Association shoot in Fort Worth, he won the age 9 and under State Championship, qualifying for world competition at the International Bowhunters Organization, Cabela's biggest shoot of the year, in Knoxville, Tennessee, July 31, Aug 1-2.

Beginning to practice three years ago with a bow that "was a little too much for him", the son of Sammy and Tina Bitner seems to have grown into it very well. Continuing a practice regimen that no one has to urge or ask him to do, he likes to shoot 50 to 100 arrows every night at targets set up in the family's back yard. In bad weather he spot shoots in the garage. As a member of the Abilene Bowhunters Association, he also practice shoots at their range.

At the IBO Knoxville tournament he will compete against the "best of the best," facing stiffer competition, which will be good for him, according to his dad, Sammy, who says Samuel is past being ready to move up to a higher level. The Bitner's six-year-old daughter, Christine, who has been winning 2nd place behind Samuel in the age 9 and under level of competition, says she is more than ready for him to advance out of that category to a higher level. Likely, he will soon be facing off with the top shooters in the 9 to 12-year-old class.

The national competitions offer college scholarships for youngsters, and even some prize money.

Samuel can accept such prizes without jeopardizing his amateur status, because the sport is not on the UIL events.

Crediting Jamie Creek of the Abilene Bowhunters Association for being very helpful to Samuel, Sammy Bitner also praised Kip Nemir of Haskell, who is one of Samuel's three sponsors, as being a mentor who is "real patient in helping children." Nemir helps him with his archery skills, helps keep him on track and works on his bow. The other sponsors are Bracklyn Products, furnishing his releases and some of his targets, and Boodoodle, which furnishes his arrow rests. As he continues to improve, there is the expectation that some sponsor may ask him to use their bow.

Samuel will be attending several other national tournaments the rest of this year, including indoor 20-yard competition this winter in Oklahoma. His favorite targets are the 3-D bears. He is proud of the new "bear" target he recently received for his birthday.

Not only a good archer, Samuel has spent a part of his summer as a pitcher in his winning Texas Teenage League 7 to 9-year-old's baseball team which will be going to district play-off in Lawn, July 20.

In a family with everyone involved in archery, Sammy Bitner, who was the first to take it up, does only a little competitive shooting, preferring instead to bowhunt. He says that his wife, Tina, is such a good shooter, and Samuel and Christine are becoming so good at it, he may soon be relegated to just being the family caddy in charge of carrying the bow cases.

Somehow, one gets the feeling that he'll be properly proud to do it.

Commissioners meet

At the July 13 meeting of the Haskell County Commissioners Court, the question of granting tenants of the Anchor the use of vacant lots for storage and for visiting relatives parking of R.V.s was tabled until the next court meeting.

Commissioner Billy Wayne Hester reported that the truck vehicle is in and is now outfitted for firefighting.

Commissioner Bud Turnbow reported the truck for the Sagerton Fire Department is in and will be outfitted for use within the next few weeks.

Bennie Faye Shelton was hired as head cook at the Experienced Citizens Center.

The bidding for a 911 repeater resulted in the Court accepting the quote from Abilene Communications for a total of \$8,574.00.

Approval was given by vote to

stay with the Court's present retirement plan. The plan's rates have increased from 9.18 to 10.74 percent.

The new law states that the Election Judge will be named from the political party with the most votes, and the Alternate Judge will be from the party with the second most votes in the 1994 election. In Haskell County all Election Judges will be Democrats except in Prec. 9, where they will be Republican.

Alternate Election Judges appointed were: Prec. 2, Jennifer Burgess; Prec.3, Ruby Turner; Prec. 5, Molly Cannon; Prec. 10, Renee Duldensing; Absentee, Patrick Pace.

Election Judge of Prec. 9 will be Dave Brown.

The Court voted to pay the \$25.00 membership fee to R.C. & D.

It was decided that permanent names will be given to the roads at Jeffcoat's Camp.

Marine Corps to perform

The U. S. Marine Corps Battle Color Detachment will be performing Aug. 8 at 8:00 p.m., at Shotwell Stadium in Abilene.

The concert will feature three groups in a variety of music.

The U.S. Marine Drum and Bugle Corps combines contemporary songs and traditional marching music with uniquely choreographed drill movements in a program entitled "Music in Motion."

The Silent Drill Platoon performs a unique precision drill.

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The Marine Corps Color Guard bears the official Battle Colors of the Marine Corps. The 49 streamers and silver bands displayed commemorate the military campaigns in which Marines have participated, spanning the entire history of our nation.

The event is free and open to the public.

City, County sales tax receipts show small increase for July

State Comptroller John Sharp delivered a total of \$174.5 million in monthly sales tax payments to 1,091 Texas cities and 118 counties, a 13.5 percent increase over the \$153.7 million allocated in July 1997.

This month's sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected in May and reported by businesses filing monthly tax returns in June.

"A robust economy, driven in large part by high employment in the Texas job market and a steady demand for construction of housing and apartments, continues across the state," Sharp said. "Year-to-date, rebates to cities and counties are up 11.3 percent over last year."

HHS to register Aug. 4

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tax rebates totaling \$159.6 million to Texas cities, 13.9 percent higher than last July's payments of \$140 million. Rebates of \$14.9 million to Texas counties were 9.45 percent higher than allocations of \$13.6 million in July 1997.

Haskell County had a 7.87 percent increase for July, 1998 of \$21,651.35 in comparison to \$20,070.92 for July 1997. 1998 payments to date of \$199,920.12 reflect a 4.82 percent increase over 1997 payments to date of \$190,717.91.

The City of Haskell had a 8.94 percent increase for July, 1998 of \$20,413.63 in comparison to \$18,737.35 for July, 1997. 1998 payments to date of \$185,174.61

New students may pre-register any time prior to July 27 in the high school principal's office and will need to bring copies of their social security card, birth certificate and high school transcript. For further information, you may contact Haskell High School at 864-8535.

reflect a 7.32 percent increase over 1997 payments to date of \$172,536.33.

O'Brien had a 5.50 percent decrease for July, 1998 of \$21.82 in comparison to \$23.09 for July, 1997. 1998 payments to date of \$964.17 reflect a 57.76 percent decrease over 1997 payments to date of \$2,282.77.

Rochester had a 34.70 percent increase for July, 1998 of \$550.85 in comparison to \$408.92 for July, 1997. 1998 payments to date of \$4,087.22 reflect a 5.80 percent increase over 1997 payments to date of \$3,863.02.

Rule had a 24.94 percent decrease for July, 1998 of \$646.64 in comparison to \$861.51 for July, 1997. 1998 payments to date of \$8,777.56 reflect a 17.95 decrease over 1997 payments to date of \$10,698.09.

Weinert had a 54.03 percent decrease for July, 1998 of \$18.41 in comparison to \$40.05 for July, 1997. 1998 payments to date of \$916.56 reflect a 31.48 percent decrease over 1997 payments to date of \$1,337.70.



WIND DAMAGE—The Randall Frierson family was surprised Thurs., July 8, to find their front yard at 1202 N. Ave. M. full of mulberry tree that had blown down during the night. Young Ethan Frierson quickly climbed up in the tree for picture taking before the saw crew arrived to dismantle it.

Social Security benefits covers eligible disabled young workers

The years from 18 to 21 could be called the "awkward years." You're old enough to vote, but you're not really considered an adult. You're too old to be covered by your parent's health insurance, and you probably don't have disability insurance on your own. Or do you? You may have Social

Security disability protection. Many young people have had a part-time job since beginning high school, perhaps in the neighborhood video store or at a local restaurant. If they have worked for at least 18 months and Social Security was withheld from their salary, they could be eligible

for benefits if they become severely disabled, even at their young age.

In the best of worlds, they will never need disability benefits. But accidents do happen, and frequently they happen to young people. It's important for them to know that the Social Security tax that's deducted from their paycheck is protecting them right now. It's also important to know that Social Security coverage protects you and your family throughout your working life. And it's there when you retire.

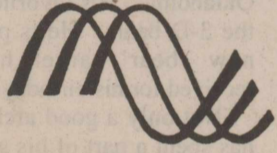
It's a good idea to check your earnings record to make sure all of your earnings were reported accurately. You may call toll-free number 1-800-772-1213 at anytime and ask for a form SSA-7004 Request for Earnings and Benefit Estimate Statement. You will receive your statement in 4-6 weeks after you complete the form and return it to Social Security. Internet users can get the form at <http://www.ssa.gov>.

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Obituaries

Ewing L. Mathis

Memorial services for Ewing L. Mathis were held Wed., July 15 at First Baptist Church in Haskell with Rev. Jimmy Griffith of Merkel officiating.

Mr. Mathis died July 13 at an Oklahoma veteran center in Talihina Okla. where he had been a resident since Dec. 5, 1997.

Born July 5, 1928 in Haskell Co., he was the son of Robert Ewing and Lora Malone Mathis. He became a Christian in July 1938. He graduated from Sagerton High School in 1945 and married Majorie Coleman May 24, 1947 in Haskell. He graduated from Texas Tech University in 1958 with a degree in agriculture education and served in the Army during World War II and in the Air Force during the Korean Conflict.

The couple later moved to Dimmitt where he was an office manger for Plainview Production Credit Associa-

tion from 1958-64. They then moved to Guymon, Okla. where he farmed and later retired in 1991. Moving to Tulsa, Okla. in 1992, they were members of the Cornerstone Church. In 1997, they moved to Broken Arrow, Okla.

Survivors include his wife, Marjorie, of the home; two sons, Jim Ray Mathis and his wife, Laverne, of Claxton, Georgia and Jay Lee Mathis and his wife, Teresa, of Guymon, Okla.; and one daughter, Mariann Mathis-Wallace and husband, Derek, of Tulsa, Okla.; three sisters, Geardean Stergel of Phoenix, Ariz., Addline Kohout of Stamford, and Veeta Reid of O'Brien; three brothers, Marcus Mathis, Harmon Mathis of Sagerton, and Marvin Mathis of Goodwell, Okla.; and five grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Feed the Children, Larry Jones, Oklahoma City, Okla. or Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, Amarillo, Texas.

Cigar smokers exposed to usual tobacco dangers

Cigars, which can cost up to \$25.00 each, are the latest glamorized trend for the tobacco industry, especially among young adults. Sharon Kohout, director of the Office of Tobacco Prevention and Control for Texas Department of Health, said, "While this tobacco-packed cigar is supposed to be saying power, elegance, success and the good life, it really should be labeled dangerous."

To many of those among the increasing number of cigar smokers, the stylish, rituals and status picture are important. And for some women, cigar smoking provides a shock value.

"Many myths surround cigar smoking for both men and women," Kohout said, "and most of

them are dead wrong."

The myths that the Texas Department of Health staff wants to debunk say that cigars are safe because smokers do not inhale, do not smoke often or do not become addicted. The reality is:

*Cigar smokers are up to 10 times more likely to die from cancer of the larynx, mouth and esophagus as nonsmokers.

*Cigar smokers have lung cancer at a rate three times higher than nonsmokers.

*Persistent coughs and phlegm and an increased risk of peptic ulcers and emphysema are more likely in cigar smokers than in nonsmokers.

*Smokers who have left

cigarettes for cigars are more likely to inhale them, even without realizing it, and get the same exposure levels as cigarettes.

"Smoking one large cigar can be equivalent to smoking an entire pack of cigarettes," Kohout said. "Tar and nicotine concentrations are higher in cigars than cigarettes, which can damage the heart and blood vessels and increase risks of heart attack and stroke."

"A large cigar is the equivalent of four to five cigarettes in nicotine, 15 cigarettes in tobacco and 25 cigarettes in carbon monoxide. Even smoking a few cigars a month produces a nicotine craving."

The link between smoking cigarettes and cigars stands out. Those who smoke cigarettes are three times more likely than others to smoke cigars as well.

"Cigars certainly are not a safe alternative to cigarettes," Kohout said. "There really is nothing chic, trendy or beautiful about smelling bad, smiling through tobacco-stained teeth or getting treatment for mouth tumors."

Listen for signs of drug use

Parents should look and listen for signs of drug abuse by their kids. If kids in the car pool are talking about "Adam," they may not be referring to a friend.

"Adam," also known as "love drug" or "ecstasy" is one of the most common designer drugs to find their way from the nightclubs to the schoolyard. "Ice" can be the code name for the crystal form of methamphetamine.

"New highs are being found daily," says Dr. Robert Wiebe, a professor of pediatrics at University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas and a specialist in pediatric emergency medicine. "It seems that some kids will try anything."

Inhalant abuse is increasing, with pre-adolescents "huffing" glue, gasoline, butane, whipped-cream dispensers and other common items.

Parents may not be able to keep up with the lingo, but Wiebe says they should be able to recognize the

signs of drug use. Dilated pupils, nasal redness and anxiety may be symptoms of "ice" use, he said. Signs of heroin use, which is rising as the drug becomes more available and more affordable, include pinpoint pupils, slurred speech, drooping eyelids and nodding head.

Bellinghausen presents history of Rhineland

Twenty one members and guests of the Haskell County Genealogy and Historical Society met in the First National Bank Community Room, July 6, to hear a program given by Darlene Bellinghausen of Knox City.

Introduced by Eula Peters, Bellinghausen presented a history of Rhineland, in Knox County. Assisted by Pam Thigpen, Bellinghausen used slide pictures and told of historical events from the early beginning of the

community to the present time.

In a brief business meeting, with president Wanda Ham presiding, a report on the Calendar Project was discussed and updated.

Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 1206 head of cattle at its sale on Saturday, July 11, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

Fully steady on packer cows and bulls; bred cows and pairs \$25 to \$35 cheaper; light calves \$26-\$33 lower; feeder cattle steady.

Cows: fat, .34-.38; cutters, .34-.39; canners, .20-.35.
Bulls: bologna, .42-.485; feeder, .55-.65.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .75-.90; 300-400 lbs., .68-.85; 400-500 lbs., .65-.85; 500-600 lbs., .60-.74; 600-700 lbs., .58-.72; 700-800 lbs., .58-.685; 800-up lbs., .45-.65.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .65-.80; 300-400 lbs., .60-.75; 400-500 lbs., .58-.75; 500-600 lbs., .68-.72; 600-up lbs., .45-.68.

Bred Heifers: medium frame, 350-450.

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MRS. JODY ALLEN HAVEN

Stewart, Haven wed in Abilene

Shelly Renea Stewart and Jody Allen Haven were united in marriage July 12 at Logsdon Chapel, Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Stewart of Wills Point and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tommie B. Harper of Munday and Dr. and Mrs. William H. Stewart of Ardmore, Okla. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Haven of Denton and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. William Hussey of Llano and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Haney of San Antonio.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore her mother's wedding gown of organza over English net. The fitted basque bodice was overlaid with reembroided lace with pearls tracing the floral pattern. Lace appliques trimmed the chapel train. A cap of lace and seed pearls held her lace-edged veil. The bridal bouquet featured cascading lavender wisteria and green ivy with clusters of cream roses, daisies and purple lilies.

Heather Rose of Clyde served as maid of honor and Deanne Morgan of Haskell as matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Jennifer Winfrey of Abilene and Ashley Stewart of Springtown. They wore evening

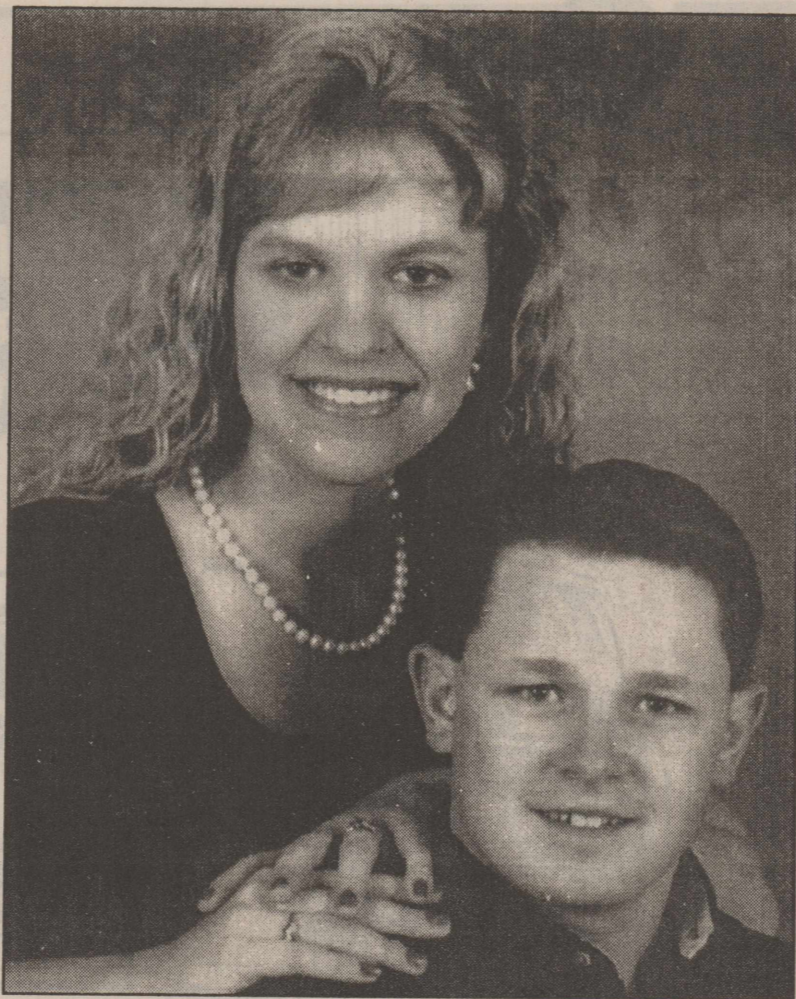
elegance gowns of lavender satin and carried bouquets of purple lilies, daisies and ivy. Sarah Wertenberger was the flower girl and her escort was Stewart Wertenberger, cousins of the bride. Sarah wore a lavender satin sundress with a floral garland in her hair.

Serving the groom as best man was his brother, Leon Haven, Jr. Groomsmen were Daniel Hendrick of Tyler, Todd Winfrey and Mike Harrell, both of Abilene.

Randy McLelland of Light Heart Ministries of Richardson officiated the double ring ceremony and sang, "Give Me Forever, I Do" and "The Lord's Prayer." Robbie McLelland provided the wedding music at the piano. Following the ceremony a reception was given as the Windsor.

The bride is a graduate of Haskell High School and holds a bachelor of nursing degree from Hardin-Simmons University. She is employed by Plano Medical Center in Plano. The groom is a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University and is employed by HR Technologies in Dallas.

The couple will make their home in Dallas after a honeymoon cruise to the Bahamas.



KRISTIN ADDRESS - SCOTT MARTIN

Address, Martin engagement told

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd A. Address of Everman announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristin Lyn Address, to Nicholas Scott Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Martin.

Kristin is a 1997 graduate of Everman High School and is attending Texas Wesleyan University majoring in elementary

education. She is employed by Childtime Children's Center.

Scott is a 1997 graduate of Everman High School and is employed by the Texas Department of Transportation.

The wedding is to be held Aug. 1 at the First Baptist Church of Everman.

Dinner party honors Doris Reeves-Jordan

In honor of Doris Reeves Jordan's 75th birthday, a dinner was hosted by her children, Pam and Carl Tipton of Roswell, N.M. and Wayne and Katy Reeves of Sulphur Springs in the garden of Mike and Julia Harrell on Sat., July 11. A festive garden theme was used with centerpieces of sunflowers and birdhouses with gingham tablecloths scattered throughout the patio and yard.

Shrimp kabobs, chicken/pineapple kabobs, brisket and ribs were served along with an array of hors d'oeuvres and vegetable dishes. Chocolate cake covered with strawberries and white pound cake adorned with bouquet of baby's breath and flowers topped with

homemade ice cream were enjoyed by all.

Guests in attendance were the honoree, host and hostesses, Doris' grandchildren Allison, Ashley, Tripp Reeves, Sulphur Springs; Robert and Trudy Jordan, Upland, Calif.; Kyle Caldwell, Sulphur Springs; Walter McBroom, Fredericksburg; Robin Harrell, Plano; Bob and Grace Cousins, Seymour; Amber Hearn, Rochester and Woody and Georgia Turnbow, Weinert.

Those from Haskell attending were L. O. & Geneva Robertson, Truett Reeves, Biggon and Glenda Drinnon; Buddy Drinnon, Robbie Harris, Rick, Kitzie and Jaelyn Drinnon, Cory Green, Lynn and Margie Pace and Imogene Aycock.

Managed care problems

A new study by researchers with the Center for Research on Women with Disabilities at the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, indicates that managed care has made access to medical care more challenging for people with disabilities. People enrolled in managed-care organizations encountered several obstacles that were not issues in traditional fee-for-service health plans.

The results of the study point to the need for the primary-care physician to have more experience in treating disabilities, and for consumers with disabilities to educate themselves and their doctors.

People with disabilities were concerned that their gatekeeper physicians did not always know how to treat their disabilities, said Ellen Grabois, a postdoctorate fellow at Baylor. "The participants in our study were also concerned about the brief office visits they

sometimes had with their doctors and not getting approval for the most effective medications or the expert specialists they needed."

Managed care is a system, usually available through a person's employer, in which consumers pay a fee to a health plan and receive care from a network of providers in the plan.

Some participants in the study were also concerned about delays in receiving approval for services from managed care companies.

"Persons with disabilities are often extremely vulnerable medically and might need care more frequently and more quickly," said Grabois. "The managed care system, although cost-efficient, doesn't always meet their special needs."

Advantages of managed care for people with disabilities included lower cost of medications and assistance with the purchase of equipment and assistive devices.

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Food safety tips for summer grilling

During these hot summer days when everyone is outdoors more, precautions should be taken to keep a case of food-borne illness out of your picnic basket or barbeque pit.

"Just because you are cooking or enjoying food in the great outdoors is no reason to relax food-safety standards," says Vickie Vaclavik, clinical assistant professor of clinical nutrition at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

Vaclavik, a registered dietitian and food-safety expert, offers these tips for grilling:

*Use different platters to transport raw meat to the grill and cooked meat from the grill.

*Don't offer a basting brush used on raw meats later for garnishing at the table.

*Cook poultry to an internal temperature of 165 degrees; hamburger to 155 degrees; pork to 150 degrees; other meats to 140 degrees; and rare steaks to at least 130 degrees.

*Hold meats at 140 degrees while serving and refrigerate immediately after.

For picnics, Vaclavik suggests foods that do not need refrigeration, like fruits, breads, crackers and cheese spread. Salads with mayonnaise should be kept refrigerated.

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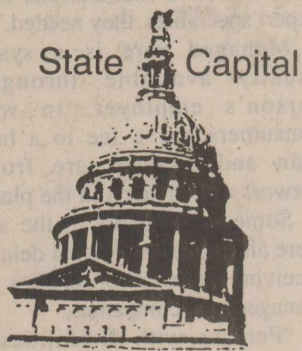
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OPINION



HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

State hearing examiners last week recommended against licensing a low-level nuclear waste repository on a ranch near Sierra Blanca in far West Texas.

The hearing examiners said the authority that wants to build the site, which would store waste from Texas, Vermont and Maine, did not adequately determine whether a fault under the proposed site posed an environmental hazard.

Kerry Sullivan and Mike Rogan of the State Office of Administrative Hearings said the State Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Authority also failed to address how the proposed dump would affect the quality of life in the area, about 18 miles from the Rio Grande.

Sullivan and Rogan's report was forwarded to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, which has the final say-so on the license. All three members of the commission were appointed by Gov. George W. Bush and Bush has tentatively backed the project.

Critics of the proposed dump have said the Sierra Blanca site was picked because of its predominantly poor, Hispanic population and a group of Mexican government officials visited Austin in June to protest the construction plan.

Garry Mauro, Bush's Democratic opponent in the gubernatorial race, welcomed the examiners' recommendation not to license the repository.

The Bush campaign pointed out, however, that in his role as land commissioner in 1994, Mauro approved an easement to allow waste to be shipped across state land to the proposed dump site.

Sharp Unveils Border Plan
Texas Comptroller John Sharp has devised a plan for the 1999 Texas Legislature to address unemployment and education problems on the state's border with Mexico.

In unveiling his 200-page "Bordering on the Future" report, Sharp said the 43-county border region, stretching from El Paso to Brownsville, would be a key to Texas' prosperity, if only the state would concentrate on improvement there.

"It's the golden goose of Texas," Sharp said. "It has the most potential of any place in Texas because it has the one thing any manufacturer in the country wants right now, which is human resources."

Sharp's report points out that if the Texas-Mexico border region were a state, it would be the poorest and have the highest unemployment rate in the nation. To fix it, the report suggests that the state and its

agencies develop a plan to fund technical colleges, train the workforce and improve medical care.

Rick Perry, Sharp's Republican opponent in the race for the office of lieutenant governor, challenged Sharp's plan for solving the border's woes.

"The fact is that Mr. Sharp has been comptroller for eight years and has done very little for the border region," Perry's spokesman Ray Sullivan said.

"And now," continued Sullivan, "just a few months before an election where Governor George Bush and Rick Perry are very competitive on the border region, he rolls out this taxpayer-funded study. It is pure politics."

But Sen. Eliot Shapleigh, D-El Paso, who actively supported Sharp's study, called the border improvement plan a "blueprint for prosperity."

Ex-Houston Mayor Endorses Bush

Bob Lanier, mayor of Houston from 1992 to 1997, last week

became the latest big-name Democrat to endorse Republican George W. Bush's bid for reelection.

Joe Cutbirth, spokesman for Garry Mauro, the Democratic candidate, downplayed the endorsement, saying former Gov. Ann Richards, "the most popular Democrat in Texas," and President Clinton, "the biggest Democrat in the world," are working to elect Mauro.

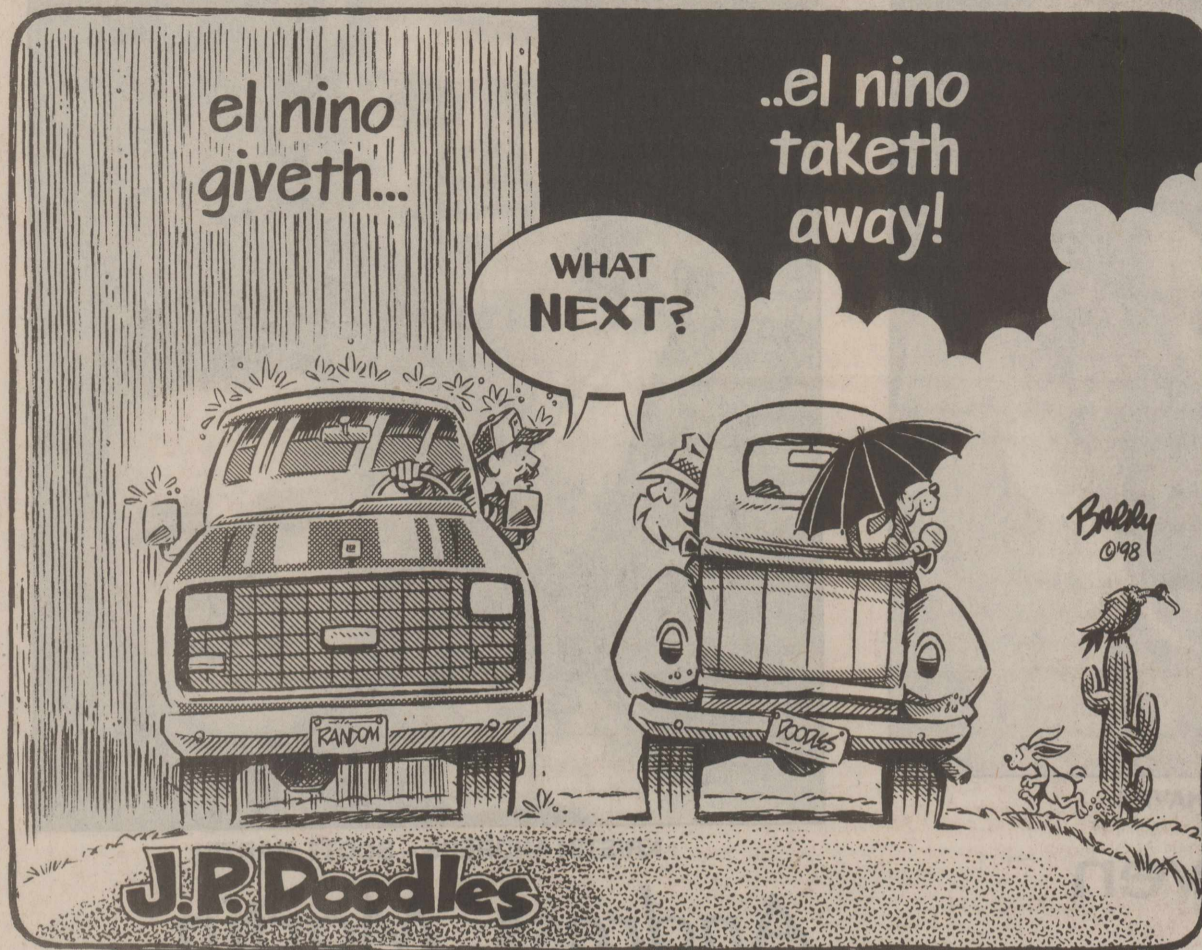
Other Capital Highlights

•At least 48 people were killed on Texas roads during the four-day Fourth of July holiday period. Twenty-four of the drivers or passengers killed were not wearing seat belts or were not in approved child safety seats.

•State employees routinely use their state American Express cards for personal purchases even though rules restrict the card to business expenses such as airline tickets and hotels, the Texas General Services Commission reported last week.

•The Texas Lottery has revived its Lone Star Millionaire scratch-off game, which debuted in 1992. Lottery executive director Linda Cloud said the game was reintroduced to boost ticket sales, down 17 percent from the last state fiscal year.

•At an Austin news conference last week, four environmental experts said Texas industries generate as much global-warming-producing "greenhouse gas" as Italy and Great Britain combined. If Texas were to cut back on industrial and refinery emissions, it would make a major global impact, they said.



From The Inside Out

By Mary Kaigler

Today's column is taken in part from one I wrote in 1991. It still expresses the way I feel about my adopted hometown.

People in small towns become caring in their nature. I think it's an environmental fallout, dropping "as the gentle rain from heaven", touching all. Soon after moving here, I began to observe, experience and appreciate that side of Haskell that is caring of others.

Anyone standing in the need of prayer and a helping hand from the Lord will soon find themselves on the prayer list at all the local churches. Understanding that the Lord is no respecter of persons, Haskell people find no difficulty in being the same way. They pray for the health and welfare of all, even though they may disagree on how all are going to get to heaven. Just the fact that so many are conscientiously planning to eventually live in heaven even makes for better living in the here-and-now.

When my Dad's 92-year-old body and mind began to falter, we brought him here to live with us. Wanting to keep him at home with us as long as possible, we didn't always know how to handle the situation.

One morning, as I brought his untouched breakfast tray back downstairs, the phone rang. "I'm thinking of you and your father today," she said in her native Lebanese accent. "You must always

remember that nothing you have to face will be too hard or too much for you." Knowing some of my frustration, the perceptive, little dry-goods merchant brought me from sighing to singing in five minutes of "care and share."

The day came when the call came from the nursing home where we'd placed Dad just four days before. "Honey, it's your daddy," the nurse said. "You need to come, right now." We were there in five minutes.

Knowing we had no other family here, the doctor had called his wife to come. She was waiting outside the door of Dad's room to offer us a kind and caring shoulder before we went in to see him "gone". Warming the cold moment, the nurse took time to tell me how Dad softly prayed the whole of the previous night, touching her life by it.

I see many caring, small town women as today's Renaissance women. Whole, strong, aware and open to life, there is nothing small about them except the town they live in. With elegance, good taste, dignity and a good grasp of self-worth, they are equally at ease with touring Europe, China and Russia, or making pear preserves; hosting a county-wide fund raiser, or a birthday party for a child's dog; operating a successful business in a designer suit, or shelling black-eyed peas in tee shirt and jeans for a

church dinner; enjoying a play in New York, or the 4-H stock show at the county fair; teaching illiterate adults to read English, or delivering hot meals and warm comfort to elderly shut-ins. Involved and capable, they find the time to be complete. Busy, yet balanced.

Finding time, taking time, giving time, because they care. Maybe this is the basis of the special culture of the country; the essence of its humanness. Coming from more metropolis places where time is often taken from us in our hurried pursuit of things cultural, it is pleasant to be in a place where these things have time to find us.

I've learned that there is a comforting sense of belonging in being where you can not only know who your neighbors are, but also their greats and great-greats. Where you can see people caring and see yourself caring.

There is an awareness of being a part of the continuity of a way of life when you can see the memories, contentment and love of the land in the eyes of your husband as he walks through the field and cuts wood in the pastures of the little farm he bought over 50 years ago from his grandfather's estate.

I see him, and I know that I too have come home, back to a place I've never lived before; to an experience in caring living that I would be less of a person to have missed.

From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago

July 14, 1988

All graves in the Roberts Cemetery now have monuments thanks to Jess Leonard who grew up in the Roberts community.

Three volunteer workers, Estelle Norman, Adelle Bogard and Loree Hamilton received plaques of appreciation from the Experienced Citizens Center.

The Weinert Graduation Class of 1958 flew from Dallas, bound for a special class reunion in Jamaica.

20 Years Ago

July 13, 1978

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Bledsoe are gone on a 20-day vacation in Anchorage, Alaska visiting Dr. and Carol Bledsoe and Jimmy.

Mindy and Mikeana Wilcox of the Rule 4-H Club won 1st and 2nd place in the District III 4-H Dress Revue in Abilene.

Take blood pressure at home

There's no place like home to test your blood pressure. Some patients' blood pressure rises during visits to their doctor's offices. This "white-coat hypertension" may be avoided if patients learn to monitor their blood pressure at home where they are more relaxed.

"Every home should have a blood pressure-monitoring machine

30 Years Ago

July 11, 1968

The Kennedy Lumber co. was hit by burglars. They made off with around \$2000 in office equipment and merchandise.

The Haskell City employees were granted a pay increase at the City Council meeting.

Bill Ratliff, student in the Univ. of Texas visited with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W.P. Ratliff over the holidays.

40 Years Ago

July 10, 1958

Wage findings have become effective for hoeing cotton in Haskell County. The effective rate for hoeing is set 50 cents per hour.

Dr. Paul Crawford was listed among the top engineers in the United States. He graduated from Haskell in 1939 and is the son of

Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Crawford, of Haskell.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy (Buck) Everett and children are spending their vacation in Bakersfield, Calif. The will join Mr. and Mrs. Wilda Medford in Arizona and visit some points of interest.

50 Years Ago

July 15, 1948

Mrs. Edith Langston of Haskell, has accepted a position with Lane-Felker Beauty Salon.

Mr. and Mrs. N.I. McCollum celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Duncan and Mrs. Lola Lemmon of Haskell will vacation in Colorado and the West Coast for a couple of weeks.

80 Years Ago

July 13, 1918

Citizens of the little town of Brandenburg, in the east part of Stonewall county, have decided to change the name of the town to Old Glory.

Alton Honea of Anson, formerly with J.W. Gholson Grocery here, was in Haskell Saturday looking after his "number" with the local board.

Aly R. Couch, cashier of the Weinert State Bank, was in the city Thursday on business.

Rev. C. Jones made a business trip to O'Brien and Rochester Monday.

Legal Matters

by Dan Morales, Attorney General

For the past several years, we at the Office of the Attorney General have been warning Texans about slamming. This illegal practice switching your long distance telephone service to a different company without your consent has affected thousands of consumers in our area.

Now Texas telephone users face a new problem: "cramming." Cramming occurs when unexplained charges mysteriously appear on your local phone bill for services you never knowingly ordered, authorized, received, or used. These charges can range anywhere from a few dollars to more than \$50 per month.

Mystery charges

Mystery charges are often disguised with names like "Enhanced Phone Services" or "ABC Access Charge." They can be for services such as personal 1-800 numbers, calling cards, or "club" memberships. Other charges may simply be a scam through which you pay a fee and receive nothing at all in return. The charges may also be a sign that you have been slammed, or switched from one long distance company to another without your approval.

Some companies target visitors at county fairs, trade shows, discount department stores and restaurants. They encourage people to register to win a car or boat by filling out a sweepstakes entry form. In reality, the form is an authorization to change your phone service, bill you for a calling card, or simply add an extra charge to your phone bill.

Negative options

Some crammers use negative options, which are illegal in Texas. One form of the negative option is junk mail informing you of a new phone service which will be turned on automatically unless you send the company a letter rejecting the service.

Another type of negative option is a check-off box on a sweepstakes entry form. To avoid changes in your telephone service, you must mark the check-off box. There may be no explanation on the form telling you the purpose of the check-off box, or the explanation may be hidden in fine print.

Protect yourself

Local telephone companies are required by law to include charges from other companies on your bill at the other company's request. These can include legitimate charges for long distance, paging, voice mail and other phone services. However, your telephone company will not know if charges are bogus unless you file a complaint.

To avoid getting crammed:

•Review your monthly phone bill carefully for unfamiliar names, charges or descriptions of service. Watch for unexplained charges from month to month.

•Be careful when calling unfamiliar 1-800 or 1-900 numbers, especially those that ask you to enter an activation code or answer "yes" to a series of questions.

•Read the fine print on any prize offers, bonus checks or contest entry forms before you sign them.

•Ask detailed questions of anyone who calls about your telephone service and ask to be sent written information about charges, cancellation policies and refund policies related to the offer. Be wary of anyone who cannot answer your questions or hesitates about sending you written details.

What to do

If your phone bill contains a charge for a service you did not order, call the company that provides the service and ask to have it terminated. Also ask for a refund of any charges you have already paid. If this does not work, ask your local phone company for assistance in removing it from your bill.

If you still find mystery charges on your phone bill, you may file a complaint with our Consumer Protection Division. Call 1-800-621-0508 for a copy of the consumer complaint form or download the form from our Internet home page at www.oag.state.tx.us.

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Sagerton News

By Dorothy M. Clark

Continued hot weather with temperatures in the triple digits plague us as we work very early in the morning and then stay inside to try to survive. As we write this Sunday night, it's showering just a bit and we're hoping that the rain gauge will have enough water in it in the morning to measure.

A large crowd attended the baby shower at Faith Lutheran Church for Pastor and Marie Zell Sunday night. The entry way and fellowship hall were festively decorated with balloons and gift tables were covered with table cloths featuring "baby" scenes. The registry table was covered with a white cutwork cloth and the centerpiece was a little Noah's ark. The evening began with a potluck supper for everyone in the

community. Following the meal, Pastor and Marie opened and displayed a large assortment of useful gifts for their baby to be. They expressed their thanks for the generosity of everyone.

The ladies breakfast was held at the community center Wednesday morning with Odene Dudensing, Mary Neinast and Joyce Lefevre hosting. Ladies in attendance included the "Three B's" from Old Gloiy, Bernice White, Bernice Rhoads and Beunice Vahlenkamp and ladies from Sagerton, Dorothy Toney, Frances Clark, Leona Letz and Dorothy Clark. There will be no breakfast in August. Next one scheduled is in September when the weather will hopefully be cooler.

The Sagerton Hobby Club met last Thursday for its regular

monthly meeting with Wilma Teichelman hostess. Jo Brown, activity chairman, led the group in giving household hints. Leona Letz won the door prize. July 20 was the date set to work on the club quilt and since there will be a special outing with their husbands in August, the regular meeting for August will be cancelled. Members present included Leona Letz, Dorothy Toney, Christine Stremmel, Jo Brown, Joyce Lefevre, Margaret Wendeborn, Mary Neinast, Peggy Tabor and her guest, Anna Lee Newman.

Meta Wienke from Phoenix, Ariz. is visiting in the home of Frances Clark. She came for a family reunion and spent several days in Sagerton visiting with old friends. The Wienkes formerly lived in Sagerton when her husband, Roy, owned the cotton gin here. It was good to see her at the shower at the church Sunday night renewing acquaintances.

The Leon and Mae Stegemoeller family had their annual reunion at Lake Stamford over the weekend. Coming for the fun-filled days were Clyde of Richardson; Calvin, Cheri Lynn, Eric, Ross and Christi of Hewitt; Carl, Beth, Mindi, Jonathan and Maegan of Hobbs, N. M.; Clifford, Teresa, Brannon and Bailey of Houston* and Clayton, Paula, Stephanie and Michelle of Sagerton. All of the grandchildren visited with their grandmother and great grandmother, Emma Raphelt, of Stamford sometime during their visit here. Emma's roommate, Edna Diers, enjoyed meeting all of the Stegemoeller family, too.

Yvonne Swofford is to be congratulated upon placing third place in the Stamford Cowboy Reunion parade with her entry from her business, Y & R Antiques. She and her partner, Reba Davis, drove a panel wagon decorated with various antiques and memorabilia of years gone by.

Jennifer Lehrmann and Amy Hisey of Rule played in the Allstar basketball game held recently at Monterrey High School in Lubbock. Their coach from Rule, our own Jill Brown, accompanied the girls along with their family and local friends. Congratulations to them, too.

Hot weather sunburns can be very uncomfortable

During the unusually hot days we have been experiencing in this part of the country sunburns are likely to be a real problem. Cool compresses can ease the pain of the sunburns, but prevention is the first step to a painless summer.

Dr. Jim Nigro, a dermatologist at Baylor College of Medicine and Texas Children's Hospital in Houston says parents can teach their children early on how to prevent such sunburns. "It's hard to avoid the sun during the summer, but you can be sensible about your exposure," he said.

Nigro suggests the following sunburn prevention techniques:

*Avoid prolonged sun exposure between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

*Do not encourage sunbathing.

*Use and SPF 15 sunscreen that blocks both UVA and UVB light.

*Reapply sunscreen, even waterproof types, every 45 to 60 minutes.

*Wear protective clothing--hats, sunglasses, shirts, and pants.

Dr. Nigro cautions that sunscreens are an imperfect protection. To get the true level-15 protection, apply it carefully and completely.

Clothing works better than sunscreen, but the protection levels vary greatly, with a typical t-shirt providing only about an SPF level of eight to ten.

"Remember that even on a cloudy day, ultraviolet light is getting through and putting your child at risk for sunburn, skin cancer and sun damage," he said.

Sunburn treatments focus on easing the pain and discomfort. Nigro recommends cool, wet compresses, ice packs and cool baths. Adults can take aspirin for pain while children should be given ibuprofen products.

Avoid over-the-counter topical anesthetic creams because these products often cause allergic reactions. Severe sunburns should be treated by a doctor.

Studies have shown that patients with melanoma, the most serious

form of skin cancer, have a history of severe blistering sunburns in childhood. The more common skin cancers, basal and squamous cell cancers, are associated with prolonged sun exposure over the years.

"Skin cancer risk begins in childhood. The more exposure you have, even if it is fairly minimal, the greater the cumulative risk," Nigro said.

As the Texas sun heats up more people will increase their outdoor activities to work in their yards and go to the lakes and beaches. The American Cancer Society is encouraging individuals and families to be sun smart this summer and protect themselves from the sun's damaging rays.

Dr. William Ramsdell, spokesperson for the American Cancer Society, said, "Having fun in the sun does not have to cause skin cancer. Those with risk factors for skin cancer do not have to stay indoors for the entire day. Just use common sense, wear sunscreen, a hat and clothing to protect your skin from damage."

Overweight children need to be encouraged to exercise

Overweight children need to "get out of the house" and exercise, according to a bulletin from the Children's Nutrition Research Center.

"In most cases, obesity is not solely defined by the amount of calories you consume or food you eat, but instead, by inactivity," said Becky Gorham, a registered dietitian and research nutritionist at the CNRC at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

Computers and video games mean more children stay inside when they could be outside burning off calories.

"When children sit in front of a computer or TV screen they tend to eat more which might cause them to gain weight," Gorham said.

She offers some tips to parents:

*Encourage kids to walk to and from school if it is safe.

*Basketball, volleyball, biking and swimming are all good forms of exercise.

*Keep exercise equipment in the house, not in the garage.

*Encourage kids to play during recess.

*Look for churches or other organizations that offer activities for children.

Parents should stress exercise and not diets, which are not healthy for growing children. The best programs for overweight children are those that incorporate lifetime habits of healthy eating and consistent exercise.

Parents can also help by modeling these behaviors and exercising and eating right themselves. Encourage healthier snacks from the USDA's Food Guide Pyramid for when children get home from school, keep the junk food out of the house or at least limit it to occasional treats.

"Teaching children the importance of good nutrition and exercise early on will help them choose the right path to a healthy lifestyle when they become adults," Gorham said.

In a related report on the subject of children's nutrition, Dr. Janice Stuff of the CNRC, advises that parents need to read food labels carefully before buying fat-free foods for growing children.

"In some cases, even when

dietary fat has been reduced, the serving size may have a considerable amount of calories," James said. "Children may tend to eat more servings, which may cause them to gain weight."

Fat-free may not be the best answer for growing children. They need fat in their diets, especially during growth spurts. The energy fat provides helps them maintain normal bodily functions and

supports the increased growth in muscle, skin and bone. In fact, 30 percent of a child's caloric intake should come from fat. Fat also helps the body absorb fat-soluble vitamins like A, D, and E. Some of the fat-free offerings may not be as balanced in these vitamins.

Stuff says the daily required amount of fat will help kids grow up to be strong, healthy adults, but the key is moderation.

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Proper selection of garments is important

by Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
Despite using recommended care and storage procedures, some problems can occur in textiles when stored over time. Careful selection of new garments could reduce this potential. Trim that is glued rather than sewn on can oxidize, change color, yellow or come off over time. Even when sewn on, sizings present in lace or other trims can oxidize and yellow

with age. Occasionally, dyes, especially ivory or ecru, are soluble in dry cleaning solvent and bleach to white during cleaning. Little, if anything, can be done to correct these problems once they occur.

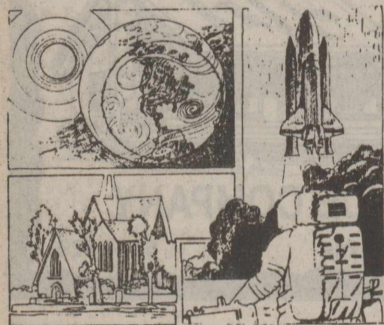
Sequins or beading may not survive cleaning well. Some glues dissolve in dry cleaning solvent, causing the beading to come off. In some cases, the beading or sequins may lose color or become dull if not treated with solvent resistant

coatings. Polystyrene beads are being used increasingly. They may look like pearls but will dissolve or soften when dry-cleaned. Once the damage has occurred, it cannot be reversed. These problems are not the fault of the dry cleaner, but rather of the manufacturer.

Check care labels when buying a wedding gown or other special garment. All parts of the garment should be safely cleaned by the method specified on the label. Even

with proper treatment, some garments will yellow with age. If these items are cotton or can be wet cleaned (laundered), occasionally, the yellowing can be removed. With protein fibers, (i.e., silk, and wool), yellowing is typical of the material's aging process. Some yellowing in textiles cannot be removed without harmful bleaching. It could be considered a "patina of age"—reflecting the history of the textile.

This Week's Devotional Message: GOD MEANT FOR MAN TO EXPLORE THE UNIVERSE HE CREATED



The anniversary of the day when two men first set foot on the moon is a good time to review our progress since that historic occasion. In the intervening years, others have trod and driven the dusty lunar surface, walked in space and set endurance records for floating in their weightless environment. Once a spectacular event, we now routinely launch and land the Space Shuttles, and even in the vastness of space we can

locate and recover equipment which had previously gone astray. All of these achievements and others promised for the future are but further proof that God indeed made the heavens and the earth, and that He gave man the intelligence to explore them and, in the process, develop new technology for the benefit of all the people on earth. Along with the Astronauts, they are also the recipients of His love, which is as boundless as space itself.

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.; Wed. 7 p.m.
600 N. 1st East, Haskell
- Christian Church**
Dusty Garison, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
107 N. Ave. F, Haskell
- Church of God**
Eric Clark, pastor • 864-2021
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m.
East Hwy 380, Haskell
- Trinity Lutheran Church**
Gary Bruns, pastor
Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30
Hwy 380 East, Haskell
- Iglesia Bautista El Calvario**
Vergil Smith
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 5 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
607 S. 7th, Haskell
- First United Methodist Church**
Shane Bruse, 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.

- 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

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Rev. Andrew
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Food for thought

by Charles H. Spurgeon
"To those who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, saints by calling, with all who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, their Lord and ours."

1 Corinthians 1:2
Have you noticed that one of the most frequently used words of identity for Christians in the New Testaments is saint? A saint is literally a holy person. Yet Paul and the other writers of the Epistles used the word generously to describe common, ordinary, everyday Christians like you and me. For example, Paul's salutation in 1 Corinthians 1:2 reads: "To the church of God which is at Corinth, to those who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, saints by calling, with all who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, their Lord and ours."

Notice that Paul didn't say that we are saints by hard work. He clearly states that we are saints by calling. Some of us have bought into the mentality that saints are people who have earned their lofty title by living a magnificent life or achieving a certain level of maturity. No way. The Bible says you are a saint because God called

you to be a saint. You were "sanctified in Christ"—made a saint by participating in the life of the only true holy one, Jesus Christ.

Many Christians refer to themselves as sinners saved by grace. But are you really a sinner? Is that your scriptural identity? Not at all. God doesn't call you a sinner. He calls you a saint—a holy one. If you think of yourself as a sinner, guess what you will do: You'll live like a sinner; you'll sin. Why not identify yourself for who you really are: a saint who sins. Remember: What you do doesn't determine who you are; who you are determines what you do.

Since you are a saint in Christ by God's calling, you share in Christ's inheritance. That which is true of Christ is now true of you, because you are in Christ. It's part of your identity. You are not the great "I Am," but with Paul you can say, "By the grace of God I am what I am" (1 Corinthians 15:10). Your grace and Your calling in my life are totally undeserved, but it is my privilege to claim my inheritance. Thank you, Father. Thank you, Jesus.

Haskell Summer Lunch Menu

Monday, July 20
Stew, grilled cheese sandwich, fruit salad w/whipped topping

Tuesday, July 21
Beef w/mushroom soup, creamed potatoes, hot rolls, pear halves w/grated cheese, milk

Wednesday, July 22
Enchiladas, pinto beans, fried tortilla/hot sauce, tossed salad, Shape-ups, milk

Thursday, July 23
Corn dog, macaroni & cheese, Ranch Style beans, pickle spears, cinnamon rolls, milk

Friday, July 24
Hamburger, tater tots, hamburger trimmings, Sunshine bars and ice cream, milk
Summer lunch served 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Haskell Elementary School Cafeteria. Anyone 18 and under eats free.

ECC Calendar and Menu

Monday, July 20
9:00 a.m. Miracle Ear Hearing check
Lunch-Beef/cheese enchilada, tossed salad, beans, Spanish rice, fruit/topping, bread, milk, tea or coffee

Wednesday, July 22
Lunch-Creole steak, steamed cabbage, blackeyed peas, golden potatoes, okra, fruit, bread, milk, tea or coffee

Friday, July 24

Lunch-Hamburgers, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, tator tots, peach cobbler, milk, tea or coffee
All over 60 are invited to come and eat. Call 864-3875 for transportation to the center or for home delivered lunches for the sick or disabled.

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Candlelight ceremony unites Roberts, Johnson

Trish Roberts and Tim Johnson of Haskell were married Sat., June 20 in the First Baptist Church of O'Brien. Hartsell Johnson, uncle of the groom, performed the double ring candlelight ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Donnie and Diane Roberts of O'Brien. Loraine and Bobbie Johnson of Haskell are the groom's parents.

The nuptial area was decorated with a fan candelabra flanked on either side by seven branched candelabras. A swag arrangement of pink peonies, pink alstroemeria lilies, purple larkspur and pink snapdragons adorned the fan candelabra. Two heart shaped candelabras were also placed in the choir loft. They were also decorated with swags of fresh flowers to match the fan candelabra. Urns of springari fern were placed on either side of the altar area. Pew markers containing mauve peonies, purple and pink larkspur, pink mini carnations, alstroemeria lilies, baby's breath and springari fern centered with a bow of ivory ribbon formed the bridal aisle.

Wedding music was provided by Dottie Lowrey of Knox City, organist, and Linda Underwood of O'Brien, pianist.

Butterfly Kisses was played

Kretschmer reunion set July 18

The Kretschmer Family Reunion is planned for July 18, at the American Legion Hall in Haskell.

Opening at 2:00 p.m., a meeting is scheduled from 3:00 to 4:00, followed by an auction to help with expenses. Everyone is asked to bring something for the auction; crafts, canned goods, or baked goods.

A supper at 5:30 will feature each family's basket of food spread together for everyone to enjoy.

From 7:00 to 10:00 p.m., a dance will be held. Friends and families are welcome to come.

prior to the ceremony. This was a surprise from the groom to the bride.

Donnie Roberts sang Holy Ground as candles were being lit by Zeke Duke of Benjamin and IV Burson of Haskell.

Trish surprised the groom by singing From This Moment On as her bridesmaids, escorted by the groomsmen, entered the church.

Maid of Honor was Angela Roberts of O'Brien, the bride's sister. Bridesmaids were Jennifer Vacek of Knox City, Rachel Duke of Benjamin, Rhonda Morgan of Wichita Falls and Jennifer Shepard of Lubbock. They wore elegant bow back tea length dresses of sheer navy. Each bridesmaid wore pearl earrings and a pearl necklace, a gift from the bride. They carried hand tied bouquets of mauve peonies, fire and ice roses, dark pink roses, pink alstroemeria lilies and pink stock, tied with ivory ribbon.

Flower girl was Leah Tibbets of Rochester. She was dressed identically to the bridesmaids. She also received pearl earrings and necklace from the bride. She carried an ivory basket filled with pink rose petals.

The traditional wedding march was played as the bride's father escorted her down the aisle.

The bride wore a gown designed by Michael Angelo. The gown was made of ivory Dupioni silk and reembrodered Alencon lace. English net adorned with pearls and iridescent sequins covered the bodice and sleeves. The round scoop neckline had a pearl border which led to a V in the back. It had a basque waistline and a bow in the back with tails which also had the Alencon lace, pearls and sequins. Alencon lace, pearls and sequins also formed a wide hem of the dress and the cathedral length train. Her fingertip veil was attached to an ivory puff and held by a crown of pearls and iridescent beads.

For something old, she wore her great grandmother Ma Barnard's wedding band; her something blue was her garter; her dress was new, as well, as a pearl and diamond necklace, a wedding gift from dear

friends. Her shoe contained a sixpence borrowed from her mom, who placed it in her shoe prior to the wedding.

The bride's bouquet was a cascade of ivory roses, fire and ice roses, stargazer lilies, English ivy and dendrobium orchids.

The groom was attired in a black tuxedo with tails. His boutonniere was a fire and ice rose and sweetheart roses.

Best men were Brad Johnson and Dustin Johnson of Knox City, nephews of the groom. They were dressed identical to the groom.

Groomsmen were Chris Dampier of Lake City, Florida, James Helvey of Lawton, Okla., Scott Schaake of Abilene and Lance Hanson of Haskell.

As the couple lit the unity candle, Donnie Roberts sang The Lord's Prayer.

Rebekah Boone of Trent and Jennifer Hicks of Levelland, both cousins of the bride, registered guests.

Meagan and Jessy Schur of Knox City handed out programs.

The reception followed in the fellowship hall of the church. Ivory tulle and clear miniature lights draped lattice panels, as well as, other parts of the hall. Lights were also used in ficus trees. The bride's table was covered and skirted with ivory cloth. It held her four tiered ivory cake, decorated with fresh roses, peonies, alstroemeria lilies, mini carnations, baby's breath and English ivy. The bottom layer topped with fresh flowers also held a porcelain bride and groom with a Dreamcicle angel looking up at them. Sharla Carver of Knox City designed the cake. Fruit sherbet slush punch was served from crystal appointments. Ivory cream mints and nuts completed the table. Members of the houseparty were

Nancy McGreger of Benjamin, Gaye Roberts of Wichita Falls, Barbara Barnard of Knox City and Charlene Brothers of O'Brien.

The groom's table had a German chocolate cake garnished with strawberries. It also contained chocolate dipped strawberries, nuts, mints and coffee. A golf theme was carried out by using a miniature golf cart, a lamp with golf motif and a picture of the couple in a golf frame. Rhonda Hanson of Haskell and Tina Lacey of Clarendon presided at the groom's table.

The food table contained cocktail sausages, finger sandwiches, cheeses, crackers, a vegetable tray, chips and a watermelon containing fresh watermelon, cantaloupe, pineapple and grapes. Lemonade was also served.

The bride is a graduate of Knox City High School. She is currently a senior Multidisciplinary Studies major at Texas Tech University. She will do her student teaching this fall at Haskell Elementary.

Johnson, a graduate of Haskell High School and Texas Wesleyan University, is employed by Johnson Real Estate in Haskell.

After a wedding trip to Ruidoso, N. M., the newlyweds will make their home in Haskell.



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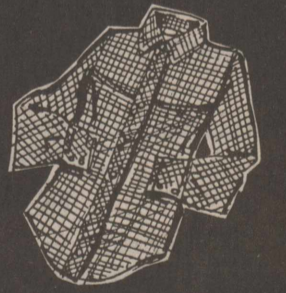
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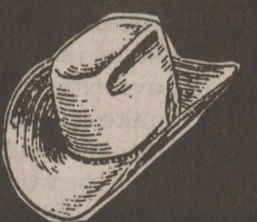
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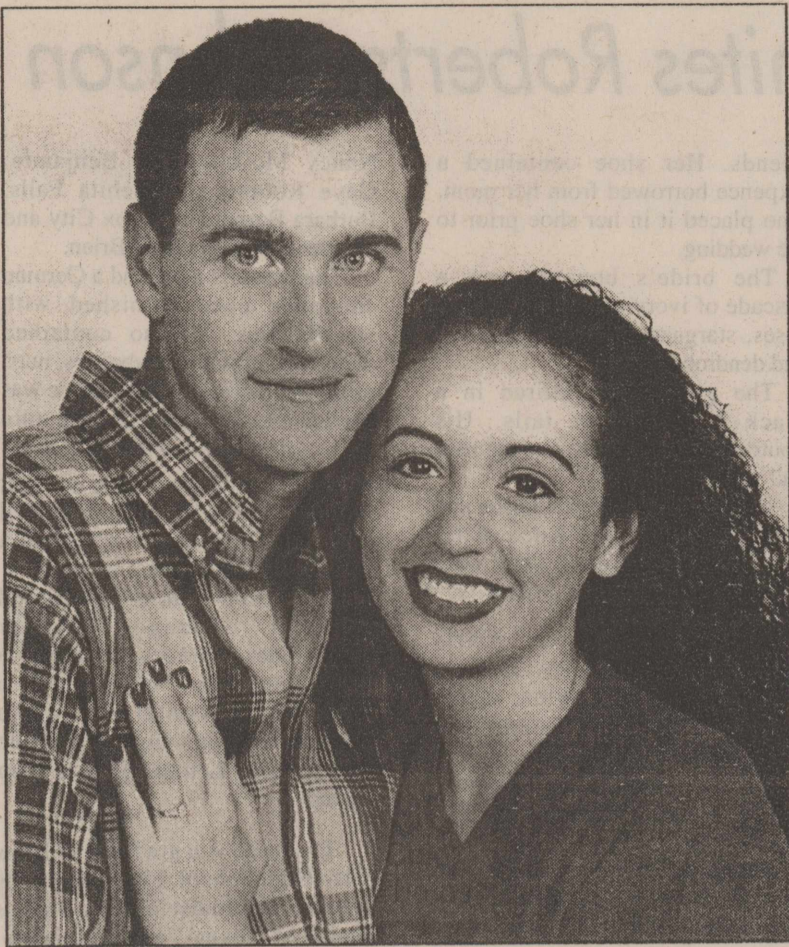
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If your child is a teenager or a college student, he or she probably has a part-time or summer job. Let's say your son, Bill, earns \$1,800 this summer. Probably the last thing on his mind is saving for retirement. But here's why he should seriously consider putting some or all of his earnings into a Roth IRA.

First, by investing while still a teenager, his earnings will have extra years to compound, and those extra years will make a huge difference. For example, a one-time investment made at age 17 and compounded at 7% until age 65 will be worth 50% more than the same investment made at age 23. By investing in a Roth IRA, the earnings and his withdrawals after age 59 1/2 will be tax-free. In addition, he can make earlier tax-free withdrawals for first-time homebuyer expenses and penalty-free withdrawals for education expenses if needed. And hopefully by starting young, he'll learn the benefits of regular savings as he sees his investments grow.

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Couple plans August wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Rodriguez of Haskell are proud to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Cynthia Deann Rodriguez to Brian Joseph Brzozowski, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Brzozowski of Haskell.

The couple plans to wed Aug. 22 at St. George Catholic Church in Haskell.

Sidewalk astronomers to visit Fort Griffin

The Fort Worth Sidewalk Astronomers will be at Fort Griffin State Park Sat., July 25 to present an evening program. Large aperture telescopes will be 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.

Marriage Licenses

Marriage licenses issued in June by Rhonda Moeller, Haskell Co. Clerk include:

Timothy Glenn Johnson of Haskell and Patricia Celeste Roberts of O'Brien.

Hollis Miles Bosse and Linda Cooper Shelton, both of Stamford.

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Oscar Timothy Honea and Delores West Bartley, both of Quanah.

Darryl Dodson Hoover and Elizabeth LaKay Gibbs, both of Haskell.

Mary Jane Short to attend conference



MARY JANE SHORT

Mary Jane Short of Rochester has been selected to attend The National Young Leaders Conference from July 26 to Aug. 5 in Washington, D.C. The National Young Leaders Conference is a unique leadership development program for high school students who have demonstrated leadership potential and scholastic merit. Short will be among 350 outstanding National Scholars attending the conference from across America.

The theme of the National Young Leaders Conference is The Leaders of Tomorrow Meeting the Leaders of Today Throughout the eleven-day conference, Short will interact with key leaders and newsmakers from the three branches of government, the media and the diplomatic corps.

Highlights of the program include welcoming remarks from the Floor of the United States House of Representatives and a panel discussion with prominent journalists at the National Press Club. Scholars will visit foreign embassies and receive policy briefings from senior government officials. Short may also meet with her Senators and Representative or an appointed member of their staff to discuss important issues facing Rochester and the nation.

Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Lt. Col. Lester Cooper, wife Michelle and children, Cy and Kaele visited his grandmother, Velma Jetton, last week. They were on their way to visit their parents in Arizona before reporting to a new assignment at Elmendorf A.F.B. in Anchorage, Alaska. For the last 3 years they have been stationed at L.A.F.B. in Virginia. Lester's mother is the former Joyce Jetton who was born and raised in Haskell county.

Neighbors and friends are glad to have Paula Garcia back home after being gone for a month to visit with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Escobedo, in Austin. On Sunday Paula's brother, Florentine Salas, of Olney spent the afternoon with her.

Visiting Dora Holley on Thursday was her sisters and husbands, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Abbott of Arlington and Mr. and Mrs. Alvin White of Breckenridge. They had been by Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene to visit their brother, Ocie Carruth. Also, sisters Kelley Moore and Nellie Bird came over to Dora's to visit with all of them.

Sammy, Peggy and Michael visited Peggy's mother in Aspermont on Sunday.

Bernice Hilliard spent the weekend in Abilene visiting Ellen Hilliard. Jean Ballard went square dancing at the Wagon Wheel on Saturday night. Leon Ivey did square calling and Maxine Ivey the line dance.

Sunday, July 5, the Greater Independent Baptist Church was in Knox City at the St. Paul Baptist Church for Pastor Elder John L. Reece, Sr. and wife's 28th anniversary. Minister McGee from Wichita Falls brought the anniversary message. Other guests there were Baptist Church, Chillicothe; Methodist Church, Vernon; West Bethel, Rule; Liberty COGIC, Knox City and West Bethel, Munday.

Greater Independent Baptist Church homecoming will be Sat., July 18 and Sun., July 19.

Jenny Goudeau and Leon Goudeau are in Arlington visiting their aunt, uncle and cousins.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronny Williams and Ebone', Frank and Donna Jordan were in Sweetwater this weekend for Donna's school homecoming. They are in Dallas this week for Frank's doctor appointment.

Linda Fox of the Woodlands and grandson, Cody McCoy, visited her father, Grover Mather Larned, July 6 and July 7.

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SCHOOL YEAR 1998/99
INVITATION TO BID
The Haskell Consolidated Independent School District is now accepting bids for ice cream for its food service programs. Bid specifications are available at the district's office located at 605 North Avenue E, P. O. Box 937, Haskell, Texas 79521 or by phoning 940-864-2602.

To be considered, bids must be returned no later than 3:30 p.m., Tuesday, July 21, 1998. 28-29c

MILK BID
SCHOOL YEAR 1998/99
INVITATION TO BID
The Haskell Consolidated Independent School District is now accepting bids for milk for its food service programs. Bid specifications are available at the district's office located at 605 North Avenue E, P. O. Box 937, Haskell, Texas 79521 or by phoning 940-864-2602.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS
The City of Haskell is accepting bids on approximately 40 blocks to be sealcoated. Bids are to be opened July 24, 1998, at 1:30 p.m. in the office of the City Administrator. Bid specifications and further information may be obtained by contacting the Haskell City Hall.

Bids will be accepted or rejected at the Haskell City Council meeting on July 27, 1998, at 7:00 a.m.

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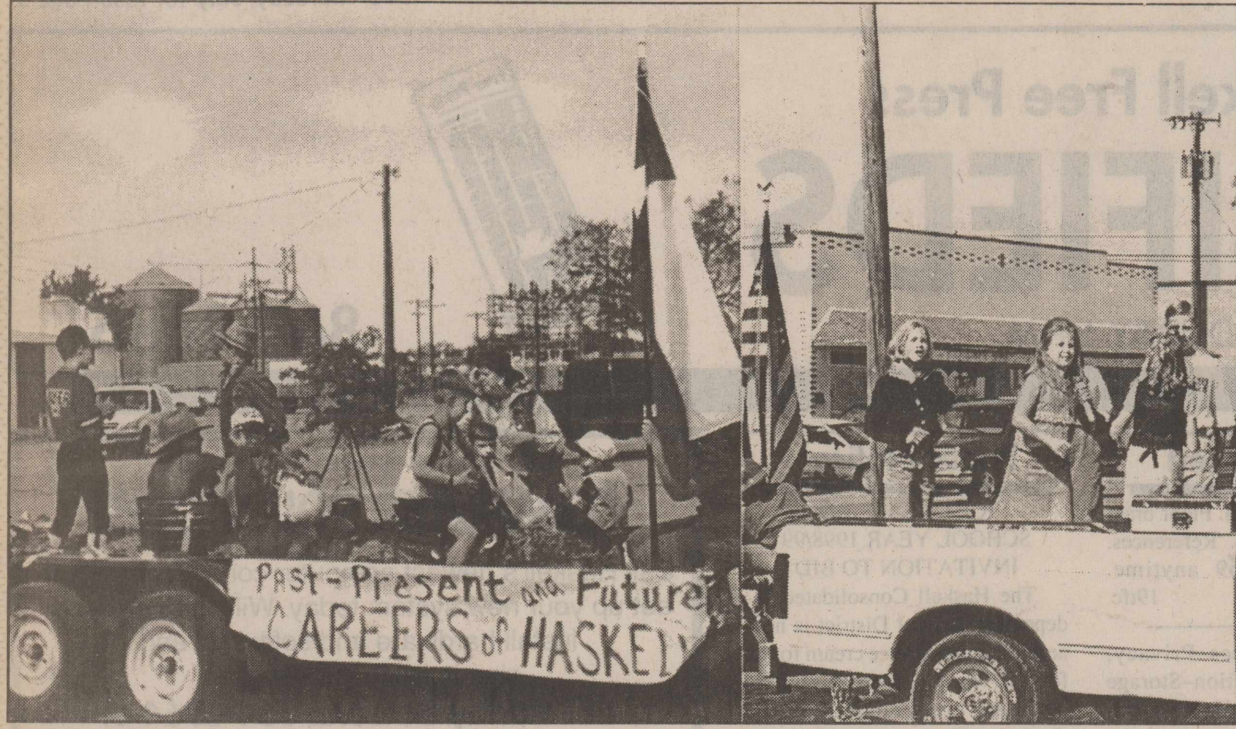
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PARADE WINNERS—The Haskell Jr. 4-H Club designed their costumes and rode in their first place winning float depicting Past, Present and Future Careers of Haskell.

4-H Club wins first place

Winning first place in the Youth Division at the Wild Horse Prairie Days parade with their float depicting Past, Present and Future Careers, fourteen members of the Haskell Jr. 4-H Club made a

colorful event even more colorful. Helping Don and Donita Hudgens decorate the float, they each chose their own "career" and appropriate costume.

Club managers, Lynette Tribbey

and Cara Thomasson rode the float as prairie day women, quilting. Debbie Long, was a nurse, Tasha Zarate, a West Texas Utility worker, Ryan Barnes, a basketball player, Mark Arrendondo, a cowboy in a bath tub, Salamae Arebalos, a farmer, Whitney Wallace, a cowgirl, Chris Villarreal, a football player, Caleb Hudgens, a chuckwagon cook, Kory Foster, a basketball player, Robbyn-Tribbey, a country-western singer, Derrick Tribbey, a K-TXS cameraman, Miranda Robertson, a K-TXS reporter, Caleb Thomasson, a farmer and Blake Thomasson, a cowboy.

The float trailer, donated by Jerry Don Hudgens, was pulled by Robert Tribbey. Paint and paper for signs were donated by Richardson's True Value and Rogers Processing.

TSTC announces new degree

Two new associate of applied science degree specialties were recently approved by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to be offered at Texas State Technical College Sweetwater. One is in Biomedical Instrumentation and the other in Distance Learning Technician Specialist. Both are offered as degree options within the Telecommunications Technology associate degree program. After completing a year of core electronics and support courses, students then can continue studies for six additional months, concentrating in one of the two specialties.

In distance learning courses, students will receive training in compressed video installation techniques, troubleshooting compressed video and audio components, system configurations and the various protocols used with distance learning technologies.

The new program specialties will be offered beginning with the incoming freshman class this Fall.

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Bassett offers tips to prevent home burglaries

Summer vacations mean a busy season for home burglars. According to FBI crime statistics, more homes are burglarized in the United States in this season than at any other time of the year. Much of this is due to homeowners forgetting simple security measures.

Mike Bruening, executive director of the Burglary Prevention Council said, "Burglary remains more than just a crime statistic. It is a serious invasion of person and privacy that can lead to more destructive offenses like assault and rape. But the good news is that most burglaries are preventable by taking some common-sense measures to secure your property."

The trick to fooling burglars is to create an illusion that someone always occupies a house.

Haskell Chief of Police, Tom

Bassett has furnished a list of effective security steps to take before a vacation or when otherwise being away.

*Keep some window shades and blinds up and curtains open to maintain a normal appearance.

*Stop mail and newspaper deliveries, or have a neighbor remove them along with advertising flyers that may accumulate.

*Ask a neighbor to use your garbage cans while you're away.

*Turn the telephone ring volume down or use an answering service or machine—also with its volume down; remove answering machine messages daily and don't indicate on your outgoing message that you are away on vacation.

*Keep easily identifiable valuables away from window view.

*Install exterior lights—with

motion-sensitive capabilities, if possible, and make sure lights are mounted out of reach, so burglars can't easily unscrew bulbs.

*Place timers on indoor lights and appliances such as radios and televisions, with timers set to switch on and off randomly during the day.

*Arrange to have outdoor landscaping continue.

*Leave an automobile parked in your driveway or have someone else periodically park a vehicle there; a vehicle may also prevent easy access to a garage.

*Ask police to step up patrols in your neighborhood.

*Ask a neighbor to keep a watch over your house.

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