#### Calendar

#### Rural School reunion

The Haskell Rural School Reunion will be held Sat., May 29 at the Haskell Memorial Civic Center from 10 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Lunch will be served at 1 p.m. Plates are \$6.50 each. Cancelled

The Texas Best Barrel **Association Buckle Series** scheduled May 22 in Haskell has been cancelled.

#### Retired teachers

The Retired Teachers Association will meet May 26 at 11:45 a.m. at the Drug Store Cafe in Rule. All retired school personnel are invited to attend. The next meeting will be held in Septem-

#### Calf roping

A calf roping will be held Sun., May 23 at 2 p.m. at the Haskell County Arena. B ropers will rope 3 for \$45 and A ropers will rope 3 for \$60. For more information call Carl Hopkins 940-849-3257 or Tim Layman (940) 864-8500. A concession stand will be available. Auction

The Church of God will hold an auction Sat., June 5 at 9:30 a.m. at the church. Proceeds will benefit the church.

#### Old Glory musical

The Old Glory Musical will be held Sat., May 22 at the Community Center in Old Glory. The best little concession stand in Texas will open at 5:00 and the music will start at 5:30 p.m. No admission is charged. For more information call 940-989-2925 or 989-

#### Enchilada lunch

The St. George Catholic Church CYO will hold an enchilada lunch Fri., May 21 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the church hall. Take-outs will be available. Call 864-3171 to place an order. Plates are \$5 each; children 12 and under \$2.50.

#### WHPD Parade

Individuals, groups and rganizations are encouraged to participate in Haskell's Wild Horse Prairie Days Parade Fri., June 5 at 5 p.m. Cash prizes will be awarded. Contact Loutina White 940-864-3507 for more information.

#### Calf roping

The second annual John Wallace Memorial Calf Roping held in conjunction with Wild Horse Prairie Days will be held Sun., May 30 at 2 p.m. The event is limited to 50 entries. For more information call Carl Hopkins 940-849-3257 or Fred Hernandez 940-864-2493.

#### Graduation edition

The annual graduation edition with photos of Haskell County graduates will be printed May 27 by the Haskell Free Press.

#### **Immunizations**

The Texas Dept. of Health in Stamford will hold an immunization clinic Thurs., May 20 at the American Legion Hall in Haskell. Clinic times are 1 to 4 p.m. For more information, call 915-773-5681.

#### Class of 1959

The Class of 1959 will hold their 40th class reunion June 18-20 in Haskell. If you have information on members of the class call John Rike 864-2332 or Linda Lane-Bloise 864-2696.

#### Needs new location

The Haskell County Child Welfare needs to relocate immediately. If you have a building, shop or vacant house available call 864-8011.

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# Paint Creek, Rochester, Rule to graduate Friday

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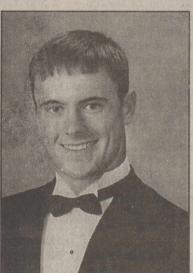
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**BUCKAROOS AND BRONCOS-With hats and heads brimming** over with rodeo excitement and thoughts of winning the Kids Rodeo events, youngsters ride their steeds into the judging

arena during the Wild Horse Prairie Days Celebration. Haskell's Annual Celebration of the legendary working cowboy is getting all cinched up and geared for the big weekend of June 4, 5, & 6.

# Paint Creek, Rochester, Rule to graduate Friday



JODIE REEL Valedictorian - Paint Creek



**ERIC HEARN** Salutatorian - Paint Creek



MARY JANE SHORT Valedictorian - Rochester



MARY BELLE TURNER Salutatorian - Rochester



**ERIC ROBINSON** Valedictorian - Rule



JUSTIN CUSTER Salutatorian - Rule

Three of Haskell County's four schools will be holding graduation exercises this week end for a total of forty-four high school seniors.

RULE Sixteen graduating seniors at Rule High School will receive their diplomas at commencement exercises Friday, May 21 at 8:00 p.m. in the school auditorium. Baccalaureate services were held for them Sunday, May 16 at 8:00 p.m in the school auditorium.

Graduating are: Melissa Anderson, Richie Culpepper, Justin Custer, Doug Easterling, Julie Gaunt, Michael Hertel, Rafael Huerta, Michael Hunt, Lezli Jenkins, Jay Louder, Jace Manske, Cinda Martinez, Lindsay Pike, Eric Robinson, Teri Shawver, and Deborah Wilson.

Valedictorian is Eric Robinson, son of Bobby and Cheryl Robinson. Salutatorian is Justin Custer, son of Al Custer.

#### PAINT CREEK

Eleven Paint Creek graduates will be receiving diplomas at commencement exercises Friday, May 21, at 8:00 p.m. in the school's H. P. Morrison Auditorium. Baccalaureate services were held for them at 2:00 p.m., Sunday, May 16, at the Paint Creek Baptist Church.

Graduating are: Susan Acosta, Wayne Briggs, James Cross, Blayne Davis, Eric Hearn, Matt Hollis, Hegan Lamb, Wesley Lefevre. Shannon Nigar, Jodie Reel, and Halee Walton.

Valedictorian for the class is Jodie Reel, son of Ronnie and Brenda Reel. Salutatorian is Eric Hearn, son of Mac and Cyndi

#### ROCHESTER

Twelve graduating seniors at Rochester High School will receive their diplomas during commencement exercises May 21 at 8:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium. Baccalaureate services were held for them at 8:00 p.m., Sunday, May 16, at the auditorium.

Graduating are: Blake Adkins, Michael Adkins, Dusty Garcia, Amber Hearn, John Mark Lopez, Erika Nicholson, Freddie Ruiz, Mary Jane Short, Veronica Slaughter, Gary Strickland, Gennifer Strickland, and Mary Belle

Valedictorian for the class is Mary Jane Short. She is the daughter of Larry and Linda Short. Salutatorian is Mary Belle Tirner, daughter of Cole and Susan Turner.

Congratulations to all of these young people on completion of thirteen years of school.

Next week the Haskell Free Press will print it's complete annual graduation edition featuring graduates from all county schools, including Haskell High School, which will have commencement exercises on Friday, May 28.

# Ranch horse competition scheduled

In conjunction with Haskell's Fourth Annual Wild Horse Prairie Days Invitational Ranch Rodeo, the Second Annual Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Horse Competition will be held at the Haskell Fair Grounds and Arena.

Sanctioned by the Ranch Horse Association of America for the World Championships in Abilene, the first round of competition will kick off Fri., June 4 at 9:00 a.m. Finals will be held on Sat., June 5, at 2:00 p.m.

A Junior and Senior Division event will be held in the Open to the World competition. Approximately fifty top ranch horses will compete in cutting, reining, and roping for over \$3,000.00 in prize money. Horses from all over the state as well as many of largest and oldest ranches in Texas will be in Haskell. Since this competition is sanctioned by the Ranch Horse Association of America, the top horses from the Haskell show will be qualified to compete for the World Champion Title in Abilene.

For more information, or to enter the competition, contact the Haskell Chamber of Commerce at 940-864-2477, or Scott Williamson at 940-864-2939 or 864-2288. Entries must be in no later than

# Girls golf team places fifth

Congratulations to the Haskell Girls Golf Team which finished up a fine season by tying for fifth place in Class 2A state golf championship competitions at Lions Municipal Golf Course in

Shooting 425 in the first round and 401 in the second, the Haskell team totaled 826 to match the Refugio team.

Two day individual scorings for the Haskell girls were: Jodi Thigpen, 108-99 for 207; Amanda Rapp, 101-91 for 192; J. J. Comedy, 117-103 for 220; Misti Henson, 99-108 for 207; and Hilee Mulligan, 133-133 for 266 total.

# McKenzie wins 2nd at state

Haskell High School's boys track team took fifth place in the 400 relay Class 2A State competition with the time of 42.99. Members of the team were Micah New, Tyrone Billington, Ethan Brown and Robert Spells.

Shayne McKenzie of Haskell took second place in the State Class 2A girls high jump.

Stephanie Hodge of Haskell was sixth in Class 2A girls 100 hurdles, with the time of

# Stickhorse rodeo contestants needed for Wild Horse Prairie Days event

It's time again for the Annual Wild Horse Prairie Days Celebration and time for all little wranglers to enter the Wild Horse Prairie Days Childrens' Stickhorse Rodeo sponsored by West Texas

The children's rodeo will be held in the Show Barn at the Haskell County Fair Grounds. Sat., June 5, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Preregistration is available at the Haskell Chamber of Commerce, 864-2477, or beginning at 9:00 the morning of the rodeo. All area children age twelve and under are

invited to enter. No experience is needed.

Events, times and ages are: 10:00, Stickhorse Rodeo Grand Entry, ages 2-6. 10:05, Bulls and Barrels, ages 2-

10:30, Fine Fat Piglet Chase,

10:45, Dummy Steer Roping,

11:00, Dummy Steer Roping, 11:15, Goat Dressing, ages 7-9.

11:30 Goat Dressing, ages 10-

11:45 Fine Fat Piglet Chase, ages 7-9.

12:00, Fine Fat Piglet Chase, ages 10-12.

Wrangler, Tony Lama, and Justin will be awarding prizes which include jeans, boots, coloring books, and Justin stickhorses and cash. Prizes will also be awarded to the Best Dressed Cowboy and Best Dressed Cowgirl.

Planners of the events advise everyone to bring their camera to what promises to be a wild Saturday morning.

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TONK CREEK SCHOOL-The entire student body of the Haskell County rural school gathered for a picture in 1919. The county's rural schools will celebrate with a homecoming Sat., May 29.

# Students to renew friendships at County Rural School Reunion May 29

by Mary Kaigler

Even though the number of those attending becomes fewer each time it is held, there are still many who will be coming to share memories and renew friendships during the Haskell County Rural Schools Homecoming Reunion planned for Sat. May 29, at the Haskell Civic Center.

B. J. Ray, who has been president of the Rural Homecoming for the last eight years, said preregistration has been good, but he is expecting to hear from many others who attended the schools, and he hopes that friends and anyone interested in visiting with them will plan to come.

After the rural schools became obsolete through the consolidation of schools beginning in the late 1930s, it is now a unique and select group of those fover-seventies" who can boast of having had the experience of attending the early halls of learning in the county.

In the early days of the county a school building, which was usually constructed by the citizens of the community, was also used as the first civic building, and in many

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cases, doubled as a church building, a voting place for holding elections, pie suppers, political debates, and in very early early days, even dances. It was the place to be whatever the purpose of the community gathering.

remembers. "C. B. Ramsey, who

was the principal at Midway

school, besides teaching the upper

grades, also coached the team, was

school janitor, personnel director,

handled all the discipline and

furnished his car to take the ball

team to play other schools. On

Sunday he led the singing and

taught Sunday School Class at

Pinkerton Church. This was typical

of county school principals," she

rural schools in Haskell County.

Country school days are recalled by

those who attended with humor and

sadness. It is a way of life this

"The children were taught at

home to be honest, dependable and

to work. Living a rugged life they

survived through the Great

Depression and the drouth of the

1930s, and learned to work, make

do and be dependable. They were

good citizens and helped win World

War II with honor and bravery,'

Ernestine Herren said of the Haskell

County Rural School students and

friends who will be gathering at

the Haskell Civic Center Sat., May

29 to reminisce about "those good

homecoming reunion will begin at 10:00 a.m., with lunch served at

1:00 p.m. The cost of the lunch

will be \$6.50. Activities for the

day are expected to end by 2:30.

members take

oath of office

Taking the oath of office at the

Haskell City Council meeting

Mon. were incumbent members

Ruby Turner, Doris McMeans and

Fred Hernandez. Ruby Turner was

appointed to the North Central

Texas Municipal Water Authority

concerning the city swimming pool

was led by Jimmy and Ronda Lisle

who will again be looking after the

police car, the council accepted the

bid from Bill Wilson Motor

from McGee Roofing for repair of

Company.

city buildings.

pool during the swimming season.

Joey Kimbrough was re-

A report and discussion

Upon receiving one bid for a

Also accepted was a roofing bid

again named as Mayor Pro Tem.

Council

Registration for the

old days" when times were bad.

county will never see again.

Over the years there were sixty

The schools were about five miles apart, and although most pupils walked to school in all kinds of weather, some rode horses and put them in the school barn until school was out. Sometimes during the heavy rains, when it was really muddy or the creek was up, one of the fathers would hitch the mules to a wagon and take his children to school, picking up others along the

Ernestine Herren, who attended the two-room Corinth School near Red Top Church, located about halfway between Rule and Jud, said of those days, "Walking to and from school, sitting in the same room day after day, playing ball together, made for lasting friendships." She tells of having plays in which everyone had a part and of everybody "being somebody"

"School was fun with very few



NEW OFFICERS-Haskell FFA officers for 1999-2000 will attend the Area II Officer's Training School at Howard College in Big Spring, June 21-23. Left to right are: Melissa Buerger, historian; Evan Eve att secretary; Justin Teague, treasurer; Reena Harris, vice-president, Brittany Bartley, president; Levi Terry, reporter; B. J. Opsahl, sentinel; and Cliff McGuire, chaplain.

# **Obituaries**

#### **Bertha Lynn Wilson**

nephew.

Funeral services for Bertha Lynn Wilson, 79, of Rule were held Sat., May 15 at First Baptist Church in Rule with Pastor Scott Hensley and John Greeson officiating. Burial was in Rule Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Robison Funeral Directors.

Ms. Wilson died Wed., May 12 at an Abilene hospital. Born March 15, 1920 in Haskell County, she worked as a dietician and cared for elderly in their homes. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Rule.

She was preceded in death by three sisters and one

Survivors include three sisters, Maudie Morris of Dallas, Elizabeth Byrd of Rochester, and Cleo Gann of Rule; three brothers, R. N. Wilson and Lee Roy Wilson, both of Rule and Billy Wilson of Petersburg; and numerous nied 's and nephews.

Pallbearers were Richard Blair, Ronnie Bristow, Steve Saffel, Clifford Byrd, Roy Don Wilson, Jack Wilson and Gary Wilson. Nephews served as honorary pallbearers.

#### **Dick Haralson Davis**

Graveside services for Dick Haralson Davis, 69, of Rule were held Tues., May 18 in the Rule Cemetery with Scott Hensley pastor of First Baptist Church of Rule officiating. Services were under the direction of McCauley-Robison Funeral Directors.

Mr. Davis died Sun., May 16 in a Stamford Nursing Home

Born Dec. 1, 1929 in Stamford, he lived in Rule most of his life. He was a member of First Baptist Church in

He was preceded in death by his parents, Mr. and Mrs.

C. O. Davis, a brother, Don W. Davis and a nephew, Brent L. Davis.

Survivors include his stepmother, Margaret Davis of Nashville, Tenn.; one sister and brother-in-law, Joy and Doc Jones of Rule; a sister-in-law, Frances Davis of Rule; one stepbrother, Mike Haralson of Nashville, Tenn.; several nieces and nephews and grandnieces and grandner.

Memorials may be made to the Memorial Fund of the First Baptist Church of Rule.

Hospital. She moved to Denton in 1939 and worked at

North Texas University Hospital until retiring in 1960.

She married Otis Johnson in March of 1960 in Denton

County. He preceded her in death Jan. 24, 1990. She

moved back to Haskell in 1994. She was a member of

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Gail Ercile

#### Verna Laura Johnson

Graveside services for Verna Laura Johnson, 88, of Haskell were held Mon., May 17 at Willow Cemetery with Rev. Jim Turner officiating. Services were under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Johnson died Fri., May 14 at a local nursing home. Born May 28, 1910 in Haskell, she was the daughter of James Gilstrap and Iva Rogers. She was a graduate of Haskell High School and Baylor University School of Nursing in Dallas. She worked in Arizona and came back to Haskell in 1937 to work as the Head Nurse in the Knox County Hospital. Later that year she opened the Haskell

under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Direc-

Christine Thompson Aug. 30, 1957 in Lubbock. He

worked in the construction business from 1958 until his

retirement in 1985. He was a Lutheran.

Survivors include one son, James Harwell of Coppell; six grandchildren and fifteen great grandchildren.

First Baptist Church.

Gary A. Elliott Funeral services for Gary A. Elliott, 66, of Haskell

Survivors include his wife, Christine Elliott, of Haskell; two daughters, Debra S. Piseno of Ransom Canyon and and formerly of Lubbock, were held Mon., May 17 at the Resthaven Funeral Home Chapel in Lubbock with Gerald Melinda Elliott of Lubbock; one son, Gary Alan Elliott of Thompson officiating. Burial was in Resthaven Cemetery Lubbock; his mother, Edna Elliott of Georgetown; two brothers, Bob Elliott of Roundrock and Billy Elliott of Georgetown; two sisters, Judy Ballard of Georgetown and

Pallbearers were Bobby Elliott, Billy Elliott, Scott

#### Mr. Elliott died Fri., May 14 at a local hospital. Born Nov. 29, 1939 in Memphis, Texas, he married

Maxine Boyd of Lubbock; seven grandchildren and one great grandchild. Elliott, Brock Elliott, Mark Elliott and Carl Ballard.

#### **Durene Boone**

Funeral services for Durene Boone, 79, of Haskell were held Sun., May 16 at First United Methodist Church with Rev. Shane Brue officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral

Mrs. Boone died Fri., May 14 at an Abilene hospital. Born Dec. 31, 1919 in Haskell Co., she was the daughter of Ernest R. Lowe and Lela Poer. She married Nored Hudson Boone Sept. 14, 1940 in Haskell. He preceded her in death June 5, 1994. She was a lifelong resident of Haskell County and a 1938 graduate of Weinert High

School. She owned and operated This Old House Antique Store in Haskell for 10 years. She was a member of First United Methodist Church.

Haskell; two grandchildren, K. B. Woods of Abilene and Nored Boone Lane of Lubbock. Pallbearers were John Needham, Joe Lowe, Jerry

Survivors include one daughter, Jo Nored Lane of

Lowe, Mike Jordan, Andy Wilfong and Clay Ender. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or First United Methodist Church, 201 N. Ave. F,

#### Haskell, Texas 79521. **Ann McDonald Williams**

Services are pending for Ann McDonald Williams, 71, of Cisco with Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors in

Haskell. Ms. Williams died at her home in Cisco M.n., May 17

#### Charles 'Chas' Hauser

Charles 'Chas' Hauser, 74, of Haskell died Thurs., May

low Cemetery directed by Holden-McCauley Funeral

14 at a local care home. Burial was Sat., May 15 in Wil-

Directors.

#### **Marion Guest Jackson**

#### Graveside services for Marion Guest Jackson were held

Tues., May 18 at Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Jackson died Fri., May 14 at a Jackson, Mississippi Hospital.

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# Lehrmanns celebrate 50th anniversary

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Hosts will be their children, Gail of Parker, Colorado and Steven and Karen Lehrmann of Sagerton and grandchildren Jennifer, Brian, M'Lynn and

Clancy was born and raised at

Sagerton and has been involved in farming and ranching and is semiretired. Helen was born at Old Glory and is a homemaker. They were married June 2, 1949 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Both are active members of Faith Lutheran and enjoy games of 84 with their many friends.

Friends and relatives are invited to join the couple in this celebration. They request "no gifts,

impressive installation service. She

used flowers to represent

personalities and duties of people.

It was informative as well as

interesting to see the nice qualities

of a person compared to the

qualities of a beautiful flower. She

and exciting year in September.

We're looking forward to a new

Those present were: Betty Berry,

Clara Gholson, Ruth Ann Klose,

Florence Larned, Vera Smith,

Peggy Middlebrook, Martha

gave each officer a flower.

Spitzer and Gladys O'Neal.

# Comedy, Holmes to wed August 7

JENNIFER COMEDY - STATEN HOLMES

Mr. and Mrs. Don Comedy of Haskell wish to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Jennifer to Staten Holmes of Amarillo. He is the son of Carolyn Hall of

Houston and Robert Holmes of Cypress.

An August 7 wedding is planned at the Christ United Methodist Church in College Station.

# Rule 4-H Club elects new officers

The Rule 4-H Club had their monthly meeting at Rule ISD May

New Agriculture Agent, Brandon Anderson, talked about awards that can be earned and some of the things, like a record book, that can earn scholarships for

Newly elected officers for the 1999-2000 year are President-Sam Kittley, Vice President-Abby Dudensing, Secretary-Kortney Kupatt, Treasurer-Miranda Robertson, Reporter-Emery Dudensing, Parliamentarian-Austin Flores, Recreational Chairman-Jacob Manske and Refreshment Chairman-MacKenzie Miller.

Outgoing officers are President-Tara Lisle, Vice President-Bre Marquis, Secretary-Tarah Toney, Treasurer-Jennifer Murray, Reporter-Calina Kendall, Parliamentarian-Jacob Manske, Recreational Chairman-Sam Kittley and Refreshment Chairman-M'Lynn Lehrmann.

Plans for a year end party were discussed. A committee was appointed to make plans for a dance. The committee consists of Chairman Bre Marquis, Abby Dudensing, Holly Wolsch, Sam Kittley and Tarah Toney:

If you are interested in joining a 4-H Club nearest you, contact Martha Wolsch or Renee Dudensing for more information.

## Paint Creek students enjoy D.E.A.R. day

Wed., May 6 was D.E.A.R. (Drop Everything and Read) day at Paint Creek School. All 2nd through 8th graders participated in a morning reading marathon in the school library. The morning was a big success with students reading a large amount of books and taking Accelerated Reader tests.

On this day alone, these Paint Creek students passed 130 tests and racked up a total of 165.1 points. The students and teachers enjoyed the morning. Mrs. Rita Cockerell, school librarian, was probably the only person who was glad for the event to be completed. She spent all afternoon reshelving books!

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The Brazos West Art Club met May 3 at the Community Room for the last meeting of the year and installation of new officers.

A Salad Supper was enjoyed by all the members followed by the installation of the officers. New fficers include: Martha Spitzer, president; Betty Berry, vice president; Jennie Lyckman, second vice president; Gladys O'Neal, reporter; Peggy Middlebrook and Florence Larned, telephone committee; Denia Cunningham, secretary and Ruth Ann Klose,

The United States Achievement

nounced that Lindsay Pike of

Rule has been recognized for

academic achievement as a United

States National Honor Roll Award

Pike, who attends Rule High

School, will appear in the United

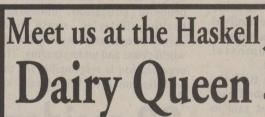
Pike is Honor Roll Award winner should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," said

Dr. George Stevens, Executive

Director of the United States

Achievement Academy The USAA National Honor Roll Awards provide honor roll students with many benefits and services and is a great tribute to a student's dedication, talent and

Pike is the daughter of John and Gina Pike of Rule. Grandparents are Carol Grand of Haskell and Dorothy Pike of Rochester.









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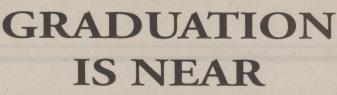
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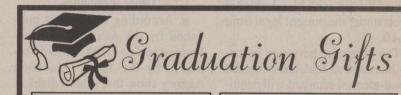
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# OPINION



#### HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — The Texas House of Clast week voted to lower the legal intoxication threshold to a bloodalcohol level of .08.

> Advocates of the legislation, SB 114 by Sen. Mario Gallegos, D-Houston, point to the fact that in 1997 Texas led the nation in alcohol-related traffic deaths with 1,748. Of those deaths, 379 involved drivers with blood-alcohol levels under the present legal limit of .10.

The alcoholic beverage industry has argued that lowering the blood-alcohol standard will penalize social drinkers and that instead, more should be done to curb drunken driving, not drinking and driving.

Rep. Scott Hochberg said, however, that lowering the limit is not aimed at the social drinker. "It is not a glass of wine with dinner," he said. "It is a significant amount of alcohol."

If Texas lowers its blood-alcohol standard to .08, the state stands to receive \$12 million in federal highway grants.

But money does not seem to be at issue. Hochberg, who sponsored SB 114 in the House, said, "If it wasn't the right thing to do, I don't think we should have done it for the money."

Cornyn Sues Payday Lenders Attorney General John Cornyn last week announced the filing of lawsuits against "payday" lenders.

Defendants include EZ Cash and Quick Cash of the Rio Grande Valley, and Cash Today, which has stores statewide.

"Businesses that break the law vill not be tolerated — especially those that prey upon people most in need of help," Cornyn said.

Texas law caps the interest rate that may be charged on small, short-term loans at 10 percent, unless made by a licensed lender.

Payday loans are short-term loans made by unlicensed lenders for up to several hundred dollars at extremely high annual percentage rates ranging from 650 percent

to 850 percent. Payday loan businesses typically lend to consumers who live paycheck-to-paycheck or those who may not qualify for mainstream forms of credit.

Tobacco Money: How to Use It Senators are showing they want to make sure that Texas' \$17.3 billion settlement with the tobacco industry is put to good use, accord-

Sen. Bill Ratliff's committee substitute for HB 1678, which would set aside \$500 million of the settlement into a permanent fund.

health programs, emergency medical services, trauma care and rural health facilities.

■ According to a report published by the Austin American-Statesman last week, records released by the Texas Education Agency show that school districts can't account for about 55,700 seventh- through 12th-graders who left Texas schools in 1997-

Former prisoners of war from Texas, including recently released soldier Steven Gonzales, would get a free public college or university education under legislation sponsored by Sen. Eddie Lucio Jr., D-Brownsville.

■ Dallas investor Tom Hicks and San Antonio attorney Tom Loeffler resigned last week as members of the University of Texas board of regents. Replacing them are Houston attorney Patrick Oxford and Houston businessman Charles Miller.

erans Affairs has approved more than \$15 million in grants to build Texas state veterans homes in Temple and Floresville. The longterm care facilities are for Texas veterans needing skilled nursing

■ Sen. Jane Nelson, R-Flower Mound, pulled down her bill requiring background checks for the sale of semiautomatic weapons at a flea market after Sen. Royce West, D-Dallas, attached an amendment that would have expanded the definition of flea market to include gun shows.

proved legislation that would require Texas minors to receive permission from their parents before getting their body parts — other than their earlobes — pierced.

up for consideration last week. One would allow girls to notify an adult relative before undergoing the medical procedure; another would allow girls to bypass their parents if they receive approval from a judge.

■ Last Friday, May 14, was the deadline for legislation to clear either the House or the Senate.

Earnings from the fund could

be used to pay for tobacco education and enforcement, public

Other Highlights

■ The U.S. Department of Vet-

■ The House last week ap-

■ Abortion-related bills were

ing to a Senate news release. The Senate last week approved

All deadlines are 5 p.m. Monday.





## From The Inside Out

By Mary Kaigler

She stood with the dignity, charm and ageless beauty of a competent woman who is "at home" with who she is. At eighty something years old, with her neat white hair waved close about her face in the same style she's always worn, Mrs. Phillip A. (Virginia) Carpenter of Burkburnett, installed a new slate of officers for the Haskell Progressive Study Club last Thursday night.

In a clear, strong voice, as she presented each officer a delicate hand-painted "friendship" bell, she herself seemed to me to be a "bell ringer" role model for women, no matter what their age, who care about their communities and families, encouraging them by the very essence of her life to become and remain active in doing something to make a difference for good in their world.

She is not without credentials in that capacity. Mrs. Carpenter is the oldest living past-president of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, having served in that office in 1970-72, the Diamond Jubilee year of the organization. Her theme as state president was "Seeking a Better Environment with Womanpower." (It stills seems a timely theme and an appropriate way to implement it ever being accomplished.) During her term a pilot program in TFWC was the "Environment Conference," where people learned what can be done to protect our "Most Valuable Heritage." The conference received President Richard Nixon's National Women's Environmental Protection Agency Award.

The Diamond Jubilee Birthday Celebration was held at the Baker Hotel in Dallas and was said to have sparkled with tributes, presentations, reports and entertainments. Mrs. Pat Nixon was the recipient of the first Diamond Jubilee pin worn by TFWC members. Also, the important "Why Go On Driving Blind" project was emphasized by Mrs. Carpenter during her term.

Instrumental in helping further the cause of women's clubs in Texas, Mrs. Carpenter was the first president of the TFWC Santa Rosa District in 1960-62 and has been a member of the Burkburnett Study Club since 1930.

The school teacher has also been active in the civic affairs of her community, helping to acquire grants of \$5,000.00 and serving on the Burkburnett City Council.

Even though she is currently experiencing some health problems, this dedicated club woman left her hospital bed to come to Haskell Thursday night to honor the invitation sent her last fall by Progressive Study Club president Frances Lane to install the officers. In the true grit and perseverance of so many strong West Texas women, she left immediately after the program and salad supper to return that night to the hospital in Burkburnett for further treatments.

Through such dedication as this, during the last 102 years since it

was organized in Waco in 1897, the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs has been a major influence in the state as its members and individual clubs work for better communities; offering women of all ages an opportunity to exchange ideas and form lifelong friendships. Through its influence women in Texas began to take a fresh look at their responsibilities and strengths for making changes. In a letter to the Waco Times-Herald, Sept. 9, 1917, TFWC president, Mrs. Fred Fleming wrote, "It is a time when club women must lay aside old rules and customs and unite in giving their best efforts to meet the present needs and demands.'

This seems to be no less true today, and through its motto. "Unity in Diversity," under the leadership of 51 presid Mrs. Carpenter, the TFWC continues to provide personal leadership opportunities, promote learning and opportunities to challenge minds and work for the welfare of children and senior

Not only in Texas, but also as members of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, one of the world's largest and oldest women's volunteer service organizations, working locally in more than 6,000 clubs in the United States and globally in over 20 countries, federated club women support the arts, preserve natural resources, promote education, encourage healthy lifestyles, stress civic involvement and work toward world peace and understanding. The organization is responsible for the establishment of 75 percent of

America's public libraries.

Contrary to their sometimes portrayed image of a group of ladies having nothing more to offer than a penchant for tea parties, pomp and protocol, Federated Club women in Texas are still focused on serving the immediate demands of a changing world and actively addressing the need for change toward betterment in themselves, their family life and community, while still, without apology, retaining the wholesome balance of enjoying a pretty party and the accoutrements of graciousness. Frances Lane, president of the

local federated club, is herself a prime example and role model of such a club woman. As Miss Frances Walling, she was a charter member of the Progressive Study Club when it organized in 1937 Remaining an active, contributing member for the last sixty-two years while she and Mattie Felker English successfully operated Haskell's Lane-Felker, she never felt that she had time to be the kind of club officer she would want to be. Now that she does have the time, she isn't sitting down. Bringing to the office of club president all the expertise and nostone-unturned attention to detail that she surely must have employed in running her successful, widely-acclaimed business, she is making her mark. The lady is keenly focused on today and tomorrow and is bringing the focus of the club along with her.

Still taking a fresh look, still caring, daring and sharing - It's a good model for any woman, whatever her age.

# 22 residents attend **Communities Futures Open Forum meeting**

Brandon Anderson

Haskell Co. Extension Agents The Haskell County Texas Communities Futures Open Forum was held May 4. The event, hosted by the local office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, was attended by 22 Haskell County

David Davis, Haskell County Judge, opened the evening's activities with a warm welcome for all those attending. Brandon Anderson and Lou Gilly, Haskell County Extension Agents, served as facilitators for the Forum. Haskell County 4-H'ers furnished refreshments.

The purpose of the Open Forum was for county residents to discuss trends and identify the most significant issues facing the county in the next 3-5 years.

The top five issues emerging from the evening's discussion were: (1) improve the agricultural economy, (2) improve our area, making it more attractive to prospective industry and new residents, (3) more consideration for the elderly in regard to available service programs, activities and adequate home and/or care facilities, (4) provide more recreation, educational opportunities and jobs for the youth and (5) work to make our county cleaner in relation to water supply, air and trash disposal.

A Focus Forum will be held Tues., May 25 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Haskell National Bank Community Room. Any Haskell County resident desiring to help develop plans to address these five issues is welcome to attend.

Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service or accommodation in order to participate in this meeting are encouraged to contact the Haskell County Extension Office at either (940) 864-2658 or 2546 to determine how reasonable accommodations can be made.

# From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

> 10 Years Ago May 18, 1989

Joy McKeever won first place in the 100-meter hurdles at the state track meet held in Austin. McKeever becomes the first Haskell girl to win a gold medal in the state track and field meet.

Haskell FFA member Dalyn Gilly won the public speaking contest at the Area II convention held at San Angelo State University. Gilly will advance to state competition held during the State FFA Convention in Houston.

Patrick Perez and Julie Roewe were named to the Dean's List for the 1989 spring semester at Western Texas College in Snyder.

20 Years Ago May 17, 1979

The senior class of Haskell High School and their sponsors were treated to a spaghetti supper in the W. M. McBroom home. Hosts and hostesses were Janice and Jimmy Browning, Jeanette and David Frierson and Bettye and Mac

Representatives of the Haskell County Chapter of the American Heart Association met and elected officers. Elected were: Abe Turner, president; R. F. Coston, vice president; Ruby Turner, secretary and Carolyn Everett, treasurer.

Vicky Hill and Katie Wooten are the valedictorian and salutatorian for Haskell High School for the 1978-79 school year. Todd Bragg is the highest ranking boy.

30 Years Ago May 20, 1969

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Weinert Matrons Club met for the last session of the club year in the home of Mrs. W. B. Guess Mrs. M. C. Cunningham and Mrs. Andy Wilfong were elected to active membership.

The Weinert Junior 4-Hers toured the West Texas Power Plant at Lake Stamford. Wayne Lyles explained the operation of the

Bailey Toliver, Wallace Wooten, Lewis Thomas, Bud Lane. R. A. Lane, Ken Lane, Bud Herren, Lee Carroll and Harvey Croft returned from fishing in Galvestor and brought back 150 pounds of Red Snapper.

40 Years Ago May 14, 1959

Mrs. Opal Smith, dental assistant in the clinic of Dr. Wm. J. Kemp, attended the annual meeting of the Texas State Dental Assistants Association. Smith was re-elected for a second term as a state director.

Jimmy Vaughter, HHS senior, won the Conference AA Boy's Extemporaneous Speaking Contest at the 49th State Interscholastic League Meet in Austin.

Guy Harris was elected the new president of the Lions Club. 50 Years Ago

May 19, 1949

Tommy Brite, a graduate of Haskell High School, is associate editor of the yearbook of North Texas State College at Denton.

The members of the Missionary Society of the First Christian Church were hostesses to a tea honoring Chan King and Freddie Bell Frierson and their classmates in the graduating class of Haskell High School. The tea was held in the home of Mrs. Courtney Hunt.

The grasshopper mixing station is now open for mixing poison on Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons of each week according to F. W. Martin, County Agent.

90 Years Ago May 22, 1909

The Presbyterian Sunday School class had a picnic on Mule Creek south of town. They reported a nice

The county authorities have tapped the city water wells and now the watering troughs on the public square are full of pure water.

C. E. Bowers has rented the Ellis and Williams building and is putting in a stock of new dry goods.

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**EDEN THOMAS** 

# Eden Thomas to attend UT program

Haskell sixth grade student, Eden Thomas, has received word that she was named as one of only forty sixth grade girls in the state who were selected to participate in the University of Texas "Women in Engineering" Program in Austin.

For one week in June, she will be attending UT in the program

designed to encourage girls to look at careers in math and science.

Fourteen Haskell sixth grade girls applied for the program. Criteria included grades, interests, an essay and a recommendation from the teacher or counselor.

The program is funded by the College of Engineering at UT Austin and various corporations. Selected students spend one week at UT studying, investigating and experimenting. There is no cost to the student.

# All Night Grad Party set May 28

Again this year the graduating seniors of Haskell County will be honored as guests at the all night Grad Party at the Haskell Civic Center, Fri. May 28., 9:00 p.m. to 5.00 a.m.

All Haskell County 1998-99 students in grades nine through twelve, and college students with ID may come. Admission is free for seniors; for all others it is \$2.00.

Fun, games, prizes and gifts are in store for all who come. All Freshmen are asked to bring desserts, all sophomores are to bring chips or dips, and juniors are to bring a six-pack or 2-liter of soft drink.

Rules that will be in effect have been approved by the Haskell County All Night Party Committee.

Everyone coming must sign in, no one will be admitted after twelve o'clock midnight, and no one may the building without an escort. If one should leave they must sign out and once signed out cannot come back into the building.

Anyone leaving before 5:00 a.m. will automatically forfeit their gift and any purchases from the party store. All forfeited gifts will be drawn and given away to those students who are still there at 5:00 a.m.

Absolutely no alcohol or tobacco will be tolerated. These will subject to check. Also, inappropriate behavior such as vulgar dancing or language will not be permitted.

not be permitted.

The sponsors and the HCANP committee are planning for all county students to have a fun-filled wholesome night to end the school

# Jason Shaw named All-American Scholar

The United States Achievement Academy announced that Jason Shaw from Haskell has been named an All-American Scholar.

an All-American Scholar.

The USAA has established the All-American Scholar Award Program to offer deserved recognition to superior students who excel in the academic disciplines. The All-American Scholars must earn a 3.3, or higher, grade point average. These are awards few students can ever hope to attain.

Shaw, who attends Paint Creek High School, will appear in the All-American Scholar Yearbook, which is published nationally.

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history. Certainly, United States Achievement Academy winners should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to



JASON SHAW

excellence and achievement," said Dr. George Stevens, Executive Director of the United States Achievement Academy.

Shaw, is the son of Randy and Lisa Shaw from Haskell. Grandparents are Audie and Wanda Stocks and Bill and Vivian Shaw, all from Haskell.

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# Burgess receives scholarship

Kimberlee Robin (Bree) Burgess of Haskell has won one of the 100 State Farm Companies Foundation Scholarship awards given each year to high school seniors who are sons and daughters of State Farm Agents, employees, or retirees.

After her graduation from Haskell High School the daughter of Brian and Jennifer Burgess will attend Texas A&M University, majoring in Biology to obtain a Pre-med degree.

Valedictorian of her class, Burgess has had achievements in Regional UIL Poetry Competition and the Academic Challenge Team, attended the National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine, and received the Bausch and Lomb Science Award.

the Haskell High School National Honor Society and Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and is senior class vice-president.

She has served as president of

Selected by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation on the



BREE BURGES

basis of test scores, academic record, extracurricular activities, personal essay, and counselor recommendation, winners of the scholarship receive \$3,000 to \$8,000 annually for up to four college years.

In 1998, the Foundation provided over \$1.6 million in scholarship support to 415 students in programs for undergraduate and graduate students.

# Rice Springs Care Center

by Cheryl Griffin Activities Director

The month of May has been an exciting time for Rice Springs Care Home. We have had several exciting events to celebrate National Nursing Home and Nurses Week. On May 5, Rice Springs celebrated with an Open House; coffee, donuts and cookies were served. Everyone had a good time. May 11 two massage therapists from Abilene came to the nursing home and gave the employees and several family members, who were visiting, therapeutic massages. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the "Laying on of Hands." Our local fifth grade students prepared posters with the theme being "Care Beyond Compare." The residents of the nursing home chose seven winners. First place went to Diana, Julia and Shannon; second place went to Adam and Conner; and third place went to Jessica and Stephanie. After the presentation of the prizes May 12, all the participants, residents and staff enjoyed an ice

cream party

Willa Rogers is our resident of the month. She has lived at the nursing home for almost ten years.

We are proud to announce that Belinda Johnson was chosen as employee of the month. Belinda has worked at Rice Springs for approximately nine years. She is a dedicated Certified Nurse Aide who we really appreciate.

An upcoming event scheduled for May 27 is the residents' birthday party. The residents would like to invite you to come and join them in enjoying cake and punch to celebrate their big event. A big "happy birthday" goes to Lester Norman, Mildred Green, Byron Williams, Pauline Kieke, Alma Merchant and Oval Todd.

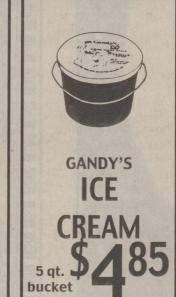
May is also our anniversary month. From 1963 to 1999 we have provided care to the residents of our community. Rice Springs is proud to be locally owned and operated—a true rarity in the days of large corporation, often owned by out of state operators.

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# About hoaxes, rumors and urban legends

by Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Extension AgentFCS

We have been hearing a lot lately about bad information on the Internet that has influenced kids to do many destructive things. Not only is there very dangerous information such as the directions for making bombs for easy access on the Internet, but there is also some very questionable or erroneous information. You may think that you will not be affected if you do not have a computer and access to the Internet. Don't let yourself be fooled.

We have had a rash of false information being spread around our area lately. What happens is that someone with access to the Internet either runs across this information themselves or has it forwarded to them by an acquaintance, family member, friend, etc. If the information seems reasonable to them, they read it and then proceed to share it with others. It seems that this false information spreads through a community much faster than good, sound, research based information does

Please be careful of any rumors you hear about products, any opportunities to help someone who is dying, or any other topics that get your immediate attention.

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These statements and/or stories can be classed into four different areas hoax, urban legend, rumor, or junk.

A hoax is false, deliberately deceptive information. Much of the time they are pranks pulled over the Internet. I just received two examples of a hoax last week from people I don't even know. The message reads that a youngster is dying of cancer. When a person receives the message, they are asked to send the message to as many people as they know. The message states that each time the message is forwarded to someone else the American Cancer Society will contribute money to research in the child's name.

An urban legend is a popularly believed narrative that is most likely to be false. A good example of an urban legend is the Neiman Marcus Cookie Recipe. The author of the story states that they were charged \$250 for the store's chocolate chip recipe. To get even, they are sharing the recipe with the world for free.

A rumor is questionable or erroneous information that is forwarded with many enhancements. The latest rumors that have circulated around our area are the Aspartame warning, Febreze warning and the shampoo cancer warning.

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Junk is just plan useless items that should be discarded the minute they are read. Most junk items are centered around the attempt to rally people to protect a cause or around the disappearance of a child.

Most of the attention getting hoaxes, urban legends, rumors and junk that are being shared over the Internet, in the media, on T. V. and from person to person are absolutely false. Many of these items are created by teens and college students as pranks.

If you have access to the Internet an address that you might want to look up is http://urbanlegends.miningco.com. This site discusses the hoaxes, urban legends, rumors and junk that I have mentioned in this article plus many more.

If you ever have questions about information that someone else sends you or tells you, please feel free to contact me in the County Extension Office located at 101 S. Ave. D in Haskell. My phone number is (940) 864-2546.

Sagerton News

By Dorothy M. Clark

At the writing of this article on Saturday afternoon we are having thunder, sprinkles and a lot of sand blowing here out on the farm north of town. At times we can hardly see the mailbox about 100 yards away. There are thunderstorm warnings on the TV and we're hoping for a good rain during the night.

Another proud grandmother reports that Cody Wilhite, grandson of Wilma Teichelman, is on an archaeological dig and Mission project to Israel. He and some other students from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene will be there for about five weeks. Cody's parents are Vickie and James Wilhite of Abilene.

The home of Minnie Monse was busy Saturday night of last week with relatives visiting that included Doris Lehrmann of Rule, Virgil and Geneva Vahlenkamp of Denton, Isabell Mrazek of Aspermont, Frances Howle of Clyde, Jill and Madison Sharp of Canyon Lake and Marla and Mikeah Mills of Lubbock.

On Sunday the Monse family

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8 and under: 1. Courtney

Conklin 2. Ashton Rutkowski 3.

Paige Adams 4. Cannon Edwards

5. Kelsie Adams 6. Kristina Bitner

Weston Rutkowski 3. Josh Barbee

4. Lindsay Pannell 5. Gay Lynn

Morgan Cox 3. Josh Ivie

16-19: 1. Jessica Fowler

9-12: 1. Brittany Rutkowski 2.

13-15: 1. Julie Fowler 2.

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The next play day will be Sat.,

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Gay Lynn Gary 3. Brittany

Rutkowski 4. Josh Barbee 5.

Samuel Bitner 6. Alexa Roberts

Morgan Cox 3. Jennifer Ivie

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Kristina Bitner 4. Paige Adams

met in the home of Doris Lehrmann of Rule. Those present for the day were Minnie Monse of Sagerton. Virgil and Geneva Vahlenkamp of Denton, Isabell Mrazek of Aspermont, Bubba Mrazek of New Braunfels, Marla, Mikeah and Mitchell Mills of Lubbock and Bobby, Norva and Keli Smith of Rule.

Betsy Walker of Emory visited with her mother-in-law, Mary Neinast, last Saturday.

Faith Circle met at Faith Lutheran Church last week for its regular monthly Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Zell leading a discussion on the book of Revelation. Loretta Connally served refreshments to Marie and Thomas Zell, Helen Lehrmann, LaVerne Stanhope, Barbara Nauert and Mary Neinast.

The Hobby Club met at the community center Thursday for its regular monthly meeting with Mary Neinast as hostess. Peggy Tabor read "Quotes from Their Past" from an article written by John L. Brooks. The ladies voted to attend the Southern Living dinner at Abilene Thursday. Yvonne Swofford won the door prize for the day and members attending were Leona Letz, Peggy Tabor, Ev Ulmer, Wilma Teichelman, Jo Brown, Joyce LeFevre, Yvonne Swofford and Margaret Wendeborn.

Joe and Dorothy Clark were in Snyder Friday night for the musical comedy Smoke on the Mountain. The Clarks' son, Ray of Stamford, played the part of the father of the Singing Sanders family in the play. Two weekend performances were held at the restored Ritz Theatre in downtown Snyder.

Guests in the home of Joe and Dorothy Clark Sunday were Ray and Nancy Clark and Emma Raphelt of Stamford, Tommie Jo Epley of Wichita Falls, Rick Phemister and Emmalee Bivins of Haskell, Phillip, Janelle, Mikala and Megan Clark of Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri. After lunch the younger Clarks went to Snyder to attend the musical, Smoke on the Mountain and then rejoined the group for supper and a birthday party and fireworks honoring Mikala on her 5th birthday. The Phillip Clarks will be moving to Florida in August where he will be attending Army Diving School.

tending Army Diving School.
Stephanie Stegemoeller spent

the weekend visiting with her parents, Clayton and Paula. She is a student at Texas Tech in Lubbock.

The Joe Clarks have learned that their grandson, Christopher Adler of Houston, has been selected to serve as Assistant Drum Major for The Glassmen, drum and bugle corp headquartered in Toledo, Ohio. He will be assistant this season and will be promoted to head drum major for the next year. Christopher has been with The Glassmen for the past two years. He is the son of David and Peggy Adler and a student at Houston Community College.

A special service named Rogationtide was conducted at Faith Lutheran Sunday morning where members gathered to ask God's blessing on the seed that has and will be planted, the soil that has been cultivated and the farmers who labor to the service of God and for the good of all humanity. This was a most fitting service, especially since the majority of the members are, or have been farmers, and of course, the entire world depends on farmers for their livelihood. A five generation family was worshiping together also, namely, Emma Raphelt, Dorothy and Joe Clark, Ray and Nancy Clark and Phillip and Janelle Clark and their two daughters, Mikala and Megan.

Congratulations to two of our local Jr. High students who received awards last week in Rule. They were Abby Dudensing and Kinsey Brown for being the most improved in basketball for the year.

Delbert and Joyce LeFevre and Frances Clark spent the weekend in Weimer, Columbus and Anahuac with family members and friends. Joyce attended a baby shower for her granddaughter, Laressa Earthman at Weimer and Columbus. Frances spent the time visiting with Louise Busby of Columbus and Delbert, Ladain Anderson and Frances visited with Grady and Helen Laughlin and their children, Jack and Lemoine Humphries and the Dick and Marlene Swope family at Anahuac. The Grady Laughlins are past residents of Sagerton.

Graduation time is here...this week...Thursday night for grade school and Friday night for high school. See you there!!

# Haskell Horse Club playday results

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Results of the Haskell Horse Club held Sun., May 16 are as follows:

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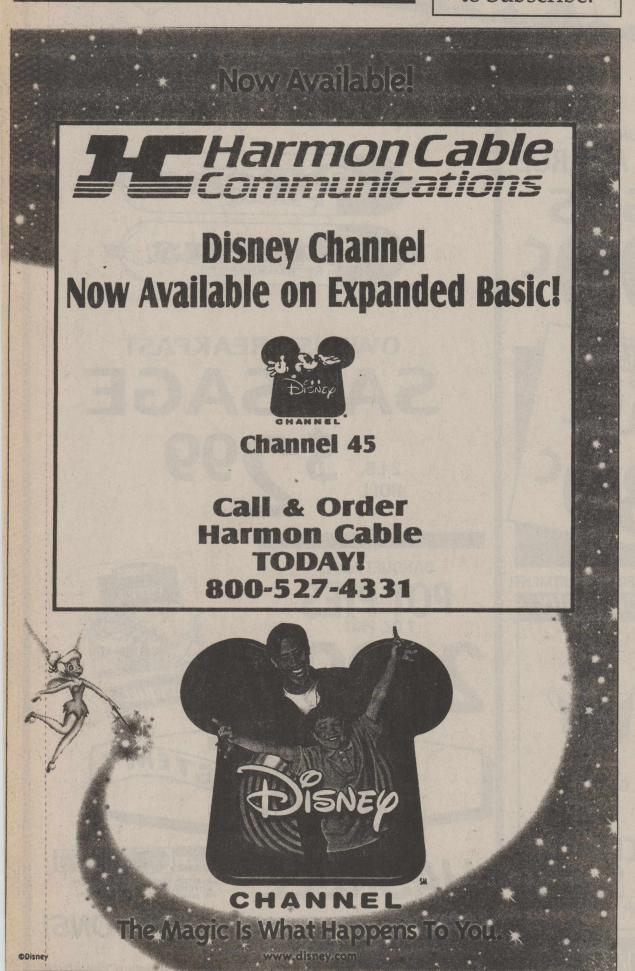
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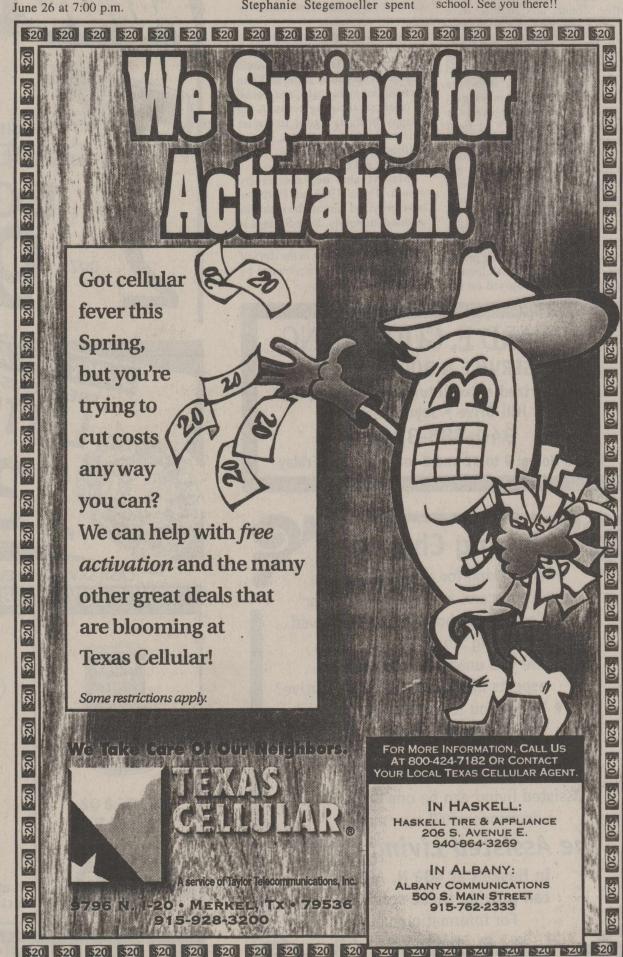
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JUNIOR MISS WINNERS-Hilee Mulligan, right, won the title of West Texas Junior Miss at the West Texas Junior Miss Scholarship Program held in Abilene, Apr. 10. She also won the Fitness, Presence and Composure, and Creative Performing Arts categories. Brandy Gardner, left, was named 1st runner-up in the Spirit Award category.

# Mulligan, Gardner win prizes, scholarships at Jr. Miss Contest

The Western Horizon Chapter of the American Business Women's Association has announced the naming of Hilee Mulligan, a junior student at Haskell High School, as the winner of the 1999 West Texas Junior Miss Scholarship Program. She also won the Fitness, Creative and Performing Arts, and the Presence and Composure categories in the contest. She was sponsored by the Senior Team Ropers Association. Hilee's goal is to become a psychologist.

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The daughter of David and Lynn Dodson of Haskell was presented at at a tea May 16, at the Junior League House in Abilene.

Hilee will be a contestant in the Texas Junior Miss Program this summer in San Antonio. Her week there will be filled with a lot of nard work and rehearsals as she prepares for the Aug. 7 finals. The State winner will advance to America's Junior Miss National competition in Mobile, Alabama in June 2000.

As the West Texas Junior Miss winner Hilee will be offered \$500.00 per year scholarships from Abilene Christian University, Hardin-Simmons University, and McMurry University, should she choose to attend the schools. Cisco Junior College offers a \$250.00 each for a fall and spring semester. The Stenograph Institute of Texas will award a \$5,250.00 scholarship.

Hilee will receive a \$250.00 cash scholarship from the Coca-Cola Bottling Co. of Abilene; a \$350.00 cash scholarship toward expenses in any college or university from Western Horizon Chapter of ABWA; a \$100.00 savings bond from First National Bank of Abilene, and numerous gifts of flowers and tickets.

As recipient of the Fitness, Creative and Performing Arts, and the Presence and Composure categories she will be awarded several other cash scholarships, and

Brandy Gardner, a junior at Paint Creek High School was named 1st Runner-up in the Spirit of Junior Miss competition. This is the award voted on by all of the



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As 1st Runner-up Brandy is offered \$400.00 per year for four years as a full time student at Abilene Christian University, Hardin-Simmons University, or McMurry University, and \$200.00 a year if she attends Cisco Junior College. The Stenograph Institute of Texas will offer her a \$4, 750 for sttending the school. Other cash scholarships, saving bond, gifts and tickets were awarded her by Western Horizon Chapter of ABWA, Lee Wholesale, Dance Discovery, American State Bank, Abilene Philharmonic, Celia Gonzales, and the Paramount Theater.

#### Student in the News

Texas Lutheran University recognized students who are recipients of TLU endowed scholarships at the school's annual Honors Day program and

scholarship brunch on April 17. A Haskell student recognized at the event was David A. Bruns, a junior psychology major. The name of the scholarship that Bruns

received during the 1998-99 school year was the PACE scholarship. A Sagerton student recognized at

the event was Melanie D. Teichelman, a sophomore biology major. The name of the scholarship fund that Teichelman received during the 1998-99 school year was the George and Gladys Abell scholarship.

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Written By James E. Rodgers, CPA



#### **TAKING CARE OF ELDERLY PARENTS:** THE FINANCIAL ISSUES

As life expectancy rises, children increasingly find themselves taking care of elderly parents who are often in deteriorating physical or mental health. This can be stressful, both emotionally and financially. But at least on the financial side there are some things you can do to make it easier.

The first thing to do is to talk to your parents about their financial affairs. This may be difficult. Not only is the topic unpleasant, but most parents are reluctant to share their private affairs, even with their children. But persevere. You need to know the names of their lawyer and accountant and details of their bank accounts and insurance policies. Do they have a will, and if so, where is it? If they're still fit, encourage them to make up a list of the details for you. If not, you'll have to assemble it with their help. But don't delay. A sudden accident or illness could leave them physically or mentally impaired, and you'll have to hunt through their records to find the information.

Once you know their financial picture, you can start to fill in the blanks. At a minimum they should have a will, and you should have a durable power of attorney allowing you to act for them if they are disabled. Encourage them to set up a living will, giving directions for their medical care. Review whether their retirement income and savings are sufficient, especially if they might eventually need nursing home care. Assess whether long-term care insurance makes sense for them. Check out whether Medicare or Medicaid might help.

These steps are just the beginning, but dealing with them now can make caring for your parents in the future much easier.

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# Short receives TREC service awar

Joe John Short of Kilgore, a member of the 1929 graduating class of Haskell High School, has

been honored by the Texas Real Estate Commission (TREC), for his more than fifty years of service

# Time approaching to spray for pecan nut casebearer

by Brandon Anderson

Haskell Co. Extension Agent Surveys for the pecan nut casebearer eggs indicate that the time to spray is fast approaching. Annually the spray dates have fallen the last week of May and the first week of June. For predictive purposes, spray dates should be set 4 to 8 days after eggs are found.

The economic threshold for casebearers based on eggs is 1-2% of the clusters infested with eggs. Eggs hatch in 4-5 days. When eggs are found, they should be tagged and inspected daily until they hatch. When 1-2% of the nut clusters are entered by casebearer larvae it is time to spray on that

Casebearer eggs are just visible to the naked eye and are greenishwhite when first deposited. They then become reddish before hatching. The eggs hatch in about 4-5 days and larvae migrate to buds below the nutlets where they feed for 1-2 days before entering the nutlet. A second insecticide treatment may be needed. For more information contact the Extension Office at 864-2658.

# Mule Creek Angus listed in report

Mule Creek Angus, Haskell, owns one bull listed in the 1999 Spring Sire Evaluation Report published by the American Angus Association which is headquartered in St. Joseph, MO. Issued in both the spring and fall, the new report features the latest performance information available on more than

4.400 sires.

"The American Angus Association has the most complete and comprehensive beef cattle database in the world," says John Crouch, American Angus Association director of performance

to the people of Texas as a real estate professional.

The real estate broker was recognized during a presentation ceremony, April 22, held in the conjunction with a real estate, of seminar hosted by the Longview Board of Realtors.

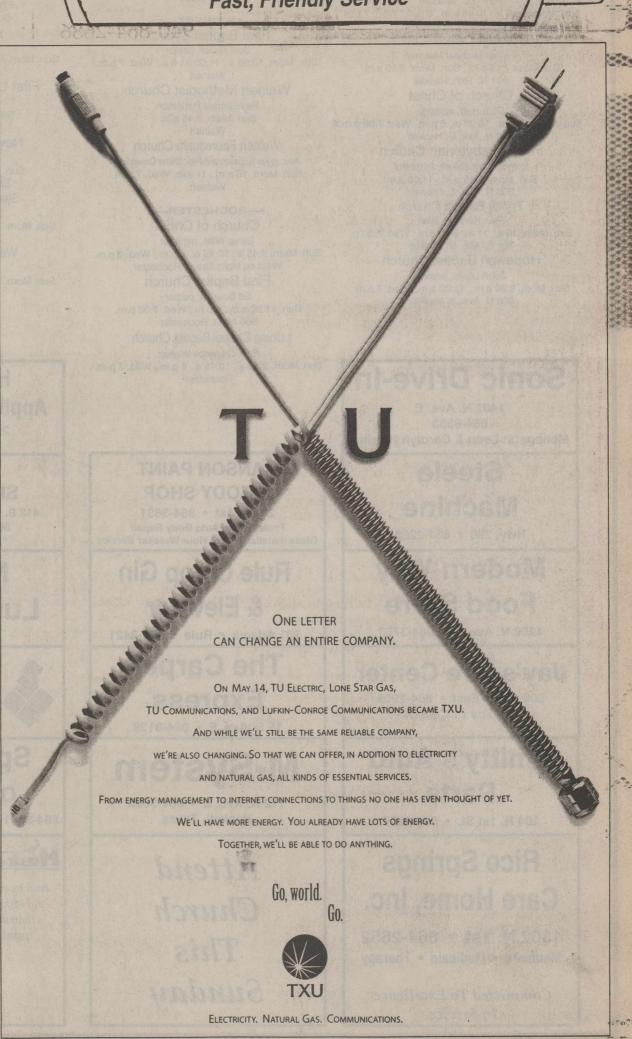
Loretta DeHay, Director of release TREC's Enforcement Division in headquarters in Austin, made the presentation on behalf of the present Commission.

Across the state fifty year veterans of the real estate industry are being honored as part of TREC's year-long 50th anniversary commemoration as a state agency, These individuals are recognized as trailblazers among licensees who have helped establish and maintain maintain high standards of quality, honesty, when and integrity within the real estate industry, and for serving the people, 2035 of Texas in meeting their ongoing needs for professional real estate

Short is one of only about 70 think persons who have remained licensed as professional real estate brokers since 1949 when the agency was practice

created by the Texas Legislature. Still active with real estate sales and appraisals, the longtime and respected Kilgore real estate broker has earned many honors since moving to that city over 50 years





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Deanna Scheets Liles, daughter of Howard and Frances Scheets of Haskell, was inducted into the University of Texas of Tyler's chapter of Kappa Delta Pi (Rho Rho Chapter April 8 in the Robert

#### Hospital

Admissions Zora Medford, Haskell Margaret Santerre, Haskell Dismissals Carl Catherine, Zora Mathis

Muntz Library on the university campus.

Student in the News

Kappa Delta Pi is the oldest and largest national honor society in education in the United States. Membership is based on several factors including cumulative grade point average, potential or achieved educational leadership and exemplification of worthy educational ideas

Liles, a senior, will receive a Bachelor of General Studies with an emphasis in math. She is on the

LION HONORED-Haskell Lions Club secretary/treasurer, Tommy Watson, left, receives his 15 year membership pin from Lions International District Governor, Scott Evans of Stephenville.

# This Week's Devotional Message: THEY GAVE THEIR LIVES TO PRESERVE YOUR FREEDOM



-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 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 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. o 10 N. Ave. E, Haske

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

order to preserve them for us, by those who were called upon to give their lives in battle. Not only on Memorial Day but throughout the year we should honor those brave heroes, and give our thanks to God for this wonderful free nation we have because of them. And since the list of our freedoms includes the right to worship God as we choose, the Church of your choice is the best place to express your gratitude.

We are inclined to take for granted the many forms of freedom

which we enjoy in this country, perhaps because we have never been forced to live without them; and yet we must

remind ourselves of the sacrifices that have been made in

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

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

Bilingual Services Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.m. 200 S. Ave. F, Haskell Mission Revival Center

Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m. 1600 N. Ave. B, Haskell First Baptist Church

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 Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m. Paint Creek

---WEINERT-First Baptist Church Joel Rister, pastor Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m. Weinert

Weinert Methodist Church Rev. James Patterson Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m. Weinert

Weinert Foursquare Church Rev. Joyce Goossen and Rev. Diane Crownover Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m. Weinert

---ROCHESTER--Church of Christ Steve Wilis, minister Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m. West on Main Street, Rochester First Baptist Church Ed Buerkle, pastor Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m. 500 Main, Rochester

**Union Chapel Baptist Church** Rev. Clarence Walker

Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.

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Faith Chapel of Rochester Katherine Byrd, minister Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m. Hwy 6, Rochester First United Methodist Church Dolan Brinson, pastor Freddy Perez, pastor Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

Rochester -SAGERTON-Sagerton Methodist Church Rev. William Hodge Daniel Ramey, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.

Faith Lutheran Church Jim Turner, pastor Jeff Zell, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. Sun. Morn. 9:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. Sagerton

> ---RULE--First Baptist Church Scott Hensley, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 1001 Union Ave., Rule Primitive Baptist Church Dale Turner Jr., pastor First & Third Sundays 10 a.m.

Sagerton

Corner of 8th & Robins, Rule Church of Christ John Greeson, minister Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 811 Union, Rule

First United Methodist Church Daniel Ramey, pastor Sun. Morn. 10:50 a.m., 6 p.m. 1000 Union Ave., Rule **New Life Baptist Mission** 

Jesus Herrera Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. Elm Street•Hwy 380 E, Rule Sweet Home Baptist Church Matt Herrington, pastor

Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m. Gladstone Ave., Rule West Bethal Baptist Church Rev. Robert Sweet

Sun. Morn. 10 a.., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m. 300 Sunny Ave., Rule

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#### Haskell School Menu

May 24-28 Breakfast

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Monday: Cereal, cinnamon roll Tuesday: Breakfast burrito Wednesday: Pancakes/syrup Thursday: Biscuits. gravy, sausage

Friday: Breakfast pizza Lunch

A choice of baked potato with choice of topping or a salad bar are offered daily at the High School. Milk and tea are served daily at the High School. Milk and juice are served daily at the Elementary School.

Monday: Pizza, tossed salad, seasoned corn, applesauce Tuesday: Chicken nuggets,

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gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, banana pudding Wednesday: Corndog, macaroni/cheese, pickle spears, fruit cocktail

Thursday: Hamburger, French fries, hamburger trimmings, ice

Friday: Ham and cheese sandwich, potato chips, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, orange

#### **Head Start Menu**

May 24-28

Milk served daily with breakfast. Menus subject to change without

Breakfast

Monday: Rice Krispies, plums Tuesday: French toast sticks w/syrup, strawberries Wednesday: Oatmeal, fruit

Thursday: Homemade breakfast burrito, orange slices

Friday: Toast, apple slices Lunch Milk served daily with lunch.

Monday: Grilled cheese sandwich with ham, vegetable

soup, banana

cheese, spinach, orange slices Thursday: End of School

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Snacks

Tuesday: Peanut butter

Wednesday: Apple muffin, milk

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tomato salad, pear half Wednesday: Corn dog, string

Tuesday: Spaghetti with

hamburger meat sauce, lettuce and

Friday: Fish sticks, corn,

Monday: Ritz crackers, orange

#### **ECC Menu** and Calendar

Monday, May 24 Lunch-Ham, butter beans, rosemary bennie's salad, potatoes, carrot cake, bread, milk, tea or

1:00 p.m. China painting

Wednesday, May 26 11:00 a.m. Blood pressure check Outreach Health Services

Lunch-Hamburgers, tator tots, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, pork and beans, cobbler, milk, tea or coffee

Friday, May 28

Lunch-Oven fried chicken, cream gravy, potatoes, mustard greens, beets, pears, bread, milk, tea or

Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.

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

# **HHS** receives **TxDOT** grant

Haskell High School is among 29 high schools in the Abilence district receiving a \$350 mini-grant each from the Texas Department of Transportation for Project Graduation 1999.

Brenda Mitchell, Abilene district traffic safety coordinator, said she is pleased to report that the amount of this year's mini-grant is \$50 more than has been given out in years past.

In addition to the grant, Mitchell visited each high school and presented the Project Graduation chairperson key chains for each of the graduates who attend their high school event. These mementos bare the slogan, "ZERO Tolerance - Think. Don't Drink." T-shirts baring the same slogan were also donated as door prizes.

"These graduation souvenirs are designed to be a reminder to the students to remain drug and alcohol-free around prom and graduation time," Mitchell said.



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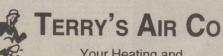


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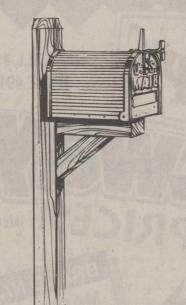
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Old Glory Lodge held their auction to benefit the American Cancer Society. Total raised was \$1,778.00. Old Glory Lodge would like to extend a special thanks to the members and these businesses for their support and donations, Davis & Wardlaw Oil Co., Richardson's Tru-Value Hardware, B & B Automotive, Haskell Butane Co., McGee Lumber Yard, Smitty's Auto Supply, Haskell Tire & Appliance, Haskell National Bank, First American Bank, Bill's Dollar Store, Modern Way Food Store, Harvey's Feed & Seed, Easterling Grocery, Sorrell's Station, Allison

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The family of Martin Follstaedt

We wish to thank Pastor Gary Bruns and the wonderful congregation of Trinity Lutheran Church for opening their doors and their hearts for the funeral of our brother, Lisbon (Boop) Letz. The lovely service, the memorials and cards, all are much appreciated. Thank you.

Walter and Marie (Letz) Kretschmer

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GIVING SIGHT-Haskell Lions Club eyeglass chairman, George Fouts, left, and club 1st vice president, Benny Harris, right, presented Lions International District Governor, Scott Evans, with over 200 pairs of used eyeglasses collected by the club for the Lions World Services for the blind and seeing impaired. The glasses are taken to Midland for cleaning, sorting for strength, and packaging to be sent to medical missions in third world countries. Used eyeglasses may be given to any Lion or dropped off at the State Farm Insurance office. Brian Burgess is president of the local club.

# Commissioners participate in prison funding brainstorming session

reported that the concession stand at

the Livestock Building at the

A bid of \$2,989.52 for carpeting

Haskell National Bank was

Salary for the dispatchers was

Commissioner Hester asked the

Fairgrounds is under construction.

four offices at the Courthouse was

chosen by the Court as the county

increased \$90.50 per month,

making their salaries equal to that

Court to purchase a D6 Dozier from

Dickie Parker at the cost of

\$45,000.00. The Court accepted the

motion, amending the budget to

cover the expenditure. A time

warrant was taken with the Haskell

held concerning the intermediate

prison funding. With final efforts

needing to be done now to sway

decisions on the funding

legislation, Judge Davis,

Commissioners, and a group

representing the City and Economic

Development Corporation have

made several conference calls to

A brainstorming session was

accepted from G & G Carpet.

of the Courthouse deputies.

National Bank.

Austin legislators.

conferencing period ends Friday,

Opening the May 10 meeting of Haskell County Commissioner's Court was the announcement by Judge David Davis that June 28 is the last day for the present Mental Health Mental Rehabilitation clubhouse to be open. A statement is being made this week about a building at 505 N. 2nd being offered to the county for use as a clubhouse. The individual owning the property has asked for insurance, tax help, etc. for the building's use.

Troy Williams has been hired to repair the sewer which has collapsed at the Headstream Clinic.

Temporary repair was recently done on the concrete retaining wall which has caved in at the Anchor. Receiving a high priority, permanent repairs will be done as quickly as possible due to continuing deterioration, and in case of a heavy rain.

In other business, it was

# Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Candis Tatum and children Aubree and Caden left on Thurs. for Amarillo where her dad had heart surgery on Fri. They returned on Mon. and left her dad in fair condition.

Creora and mother Margaret Tatum had a surprise hamburger super in the park on Sun. evening for Bobby Scheets' 21st birthday. Those who helped celebrate were his mom Minnie Scheets, Uncle Howard and Aunt Frances Scheets, his brother Jesse Scheets of Abilene, Gary and Vickie Hawkins, Sammy, Peggy and Michael Hawkins, Colin Howeth, Christie Blocker, Jonathan Tatum, Jason Ferris, Christopher, Melissa, Zachery and Garret Tatum, Rylie Tatum, Joyce Hawkins, Creora and Margaret.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilda Medford went to Lubbock for doctor's appointment for Wilda on Fri. and

on to Ruidoso for the weekend. Ed and Annetta Landry of Wink dropped by to have a short visit with Bro. Paris and Fannie Mae Barton on Mother's Day. They had been to Chickasha, Okla. for a granddaughter's graduation. They were church members when the Bartons pastored at Wink.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank White visited his sister Minnie Walker in

Stamford on Sat. Ernestine Herren has returned after a ten day trip. She flew to Minneapolis, Minn. to her daughter's, Louisa and Bill Archibald. They all went to Havre, Mont. for her granddaughter Kellie's graduation where she received her Bachelor of Science degree. They also went to Lewis and Clark Museum in Grand Falls, Mont. and the head water of the Mississippi River.

#### During Haskell's Wild Horse Prairie Days, Tom Ryan of Midland, the widely acclaimed, nationally known cowboy artist,

and owner/exhibitor of the Adobe House Gallery here, will be honored at a reception and exhibit of his

In helping to celebrate the Fourth Annual Prairie Days the Haskell National Bank will host the exhibit of Ryan's work at the bank June 1-4. Fri., June 4 a reception will be held in the bank lobby to honor the artist. The public is invited to meet him and view his

Tom Ryan, who currently resides in Midland, discovered his love of art early in his life. A native of Springfield, Illinois, he attended boarding school in Wisconsin, where his interest in art gave him the opportunity to provide illustrations to the school newspaper and to sketch various friends and family members. Upon graduation from high school, he studied at the St. Louis School of Fine Art before joining the Coast

#### Comedy receives scholarship

Haskell High School graduating senior, Jessica (J. J.) Comedy has been named recipient of a \$1,500.00 scholarship from Midwestern State University's President's Leadership Scholars Program.

The program recognizes leadership abilities in superior incoming freshman students and encourages their participation as MSU campus leaders.

J. J. is the daughter of Don and Nene Comedy. Her grandparents are Bill and Clydene Comedy and Lyla Mary Isbell, all of Haskell.

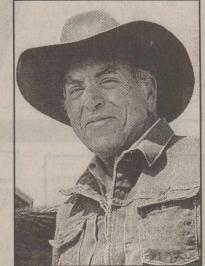
Reception, exhibit to honor Tom Ryan Guard during World War II.

It wasn't until after his service in the war that he made art his career. He spent two years at the American Academy of Art in Chicago, followed by several more years at the Art Students League in New York City. Combining his artistic ability with his love of the West, he entered and won a competition to illustrate a western book jacket, which led to a job as an illustrator. In 1963, Norman Rockwell provided him with his big break by recommending him to illustrate publisher Brown & Bigelow's annual western calendar. While most artists of the portrayed the Old West, Ryan concentrated on the contemporary cowboy instead. Some of the paintings used for these calendars include "Sharing an Apple", "Split Decision", and "Sixty Years in the Saddle."

By that time, he had already visited Texas several times. When he received an invitation to the colt branding at the Four Sixes Ranch in 1963, he readily accepted and found an unending supply of material for his western art. He still frequently visits the ranch.

The artist became a member of the Cowboy Artists of America in 1967, and is also a member of the National Academy of Western Artists, where he has won numerous gold and silver medals at their annual art shows. During the 1996 Prix de West Invitational Exhibition, he received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the National Cowboy Hall of Fame and Western Heritage Center.

Preferring oil painting, he also enjoys working with pastels and charcoal pencil. His work has been



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on the pages of numerous magazines devoted to western life and culture. Among them are Western Horseman, Quarter Horse Journal, Gilcrease Magazine of American History and Art, Art of the West, Time, Life, and the January, 1999 issue of America's Horse. The summer issue of Cowboys and Country will feature an article about him as well. Ryan's work is featured at the National Cowboy Hall of Fame and Western Heritage Center in Oklahoma City, for which he designed the five 36' X 14' bas relief panels for their exterior west wall. His art is also featured at leading galleries and museums throughout the Southwest.

Tom Ryan's daughter, Kitsie Drinnon of Haskell, is manager of Adobe House Gallery and Gifts located on the north side of the square in Haskell. Open 9:00 to 12:30 Mon through Fri., it can also be reached at www.tomryan.net.

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