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Calendar

Early deadline

Deadlines for the July 22 edition of The Haskell Free Press will be Thurs., July 15 at 5 p.m. Poster on sale

The Haskell Indian Booster Club is selling ads for the 1999-2000 football/basketball poster. "Merchants, please be aware that only booster club members will contact you and process your order," said member Bob Earles. By making this announcement, it is hoped that no merchant will be taken advantage of by unauthorized advertising agencies.

Benefit luncheon

A special community benefit luncheon for the Buena Vista Lome for Boys in Stamford will be held Sun., July 18 at the Buena Vista Home, 123 N. Wetherbee, in Stamford from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Food will be served inside or takeouts will be available. Meals will includes homemade enchiladas, tacos, Mexican rice, beans, desserts, tea and coffee. Donation are welcome. Proceeds will help purchase needed materials and supplies for the boys. Mr. and rs. Rich Palma and friends from O'Brien will be in charge of the luncheon.

Booster Club

The Haskell Indian Booster Club will meet Thurs., July 15 at 8 p.m. in the athletic fieldhouse. Parents of athletes in grades 7-12 are encouraged to attend. Activities for the 1999-2000 school year will be planned.

Quilt raffle

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A quilt raffle to benefit the Haskell Co. Library is underway. A quilt called 'Sticks and Stones,' pieced by Wanda Ham and quilted by the Haskell ECC will be displayed at area banks and at the library prior to the July 30 drawing. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Call Joan Strickland 864-2747 for more information.

ECC garage/bake sale

The Experienced Citizens Center, 1404 S. 1st, will hold a garage sale and bake sale Sat., July 31. Donated items (no clothing) for the sale would be appreciated.

Immunizations

The Texas Dept. of Health in Stamford will hold an immunization clinic Thurs., July 22 at the American Legion Hall in Haskell. Clinic times are 1 to 4 p.m. For more information, call 915-773-

Jungle journey

First United Methodist Church is hosting Jungle Journey Vacation Bible School July 19-23 from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Children from pre-school to sixth grade are welcome. For more information call the church office 864-3202.

New pastors

The New Covenant Foursquare Church in Haskell welcomes new pastors, Kevin and Sharon Retcher from Illinois. They will begin their ministry here July 18.

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THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL HASKELL SINGING SCHOOL-164 students from Texas. New Mexico, Colorado, Oklahoma, and Arkansas are participating in the Haskell Church of Christ Singing School this week. Instructors are attending from Arkansas, Colorado, Georgia and Texas. Participating in classes, the students are writing

original compositions, songs, and learning harmony. Boys are taught song leading. Students are housed here by members of the local church. At the closing program scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Friday, students will present their original songs. The closing ceremonies will also feature the entire chorus.

4-H'ers present

At the regular meeting of the Haskell County Commissioner's Court held Mon., July 12, Sheppard Surveying, a 911 maintenance service company, presented their services to the court. The company offers the upkeep of current addresses and 911 records and charges a monthly fee based on volume. The

Lou Gilly and Haskell County 4-H'ers Mindy Howard, J. J. Comprogram explaining some of the things the local 4-H'ers do. The program in Haskell is very active in ported the collection of back fines is many aspects including food, fashion, design, animal husbandry and livestock shows. Local agents are Lou Gilly and Brandon Anderson.

It was announced that the project at the Anchor will begin in the near

The Headstream Mental Health Center is moving to the Clubhouse building at 1201 N. 1st. The buildedy and Tabitha Coker presented a ing at 1301 N. 1st will be rented to

the Haskell Memorial Hospital. Bill Jones, County Attorney, regoing well. His office will continue

> The Experienced Citizens Center has taken delivery of a new van. The state of the art vehicle lists at \$45,000, but cost the County \$8,385.

issuing letters and warrants.

The van is equipped with a wheelchair lift and is handicapped acces-

County jail dispatchers will be attending 40 hours of training as soon as can be scheduled by the County. This training will be given over a period of several months.

The Court discussed the availabil-

ity of a grant for Courthouse reconstruction. Judge Davis Davis and the Commissioners will appoint a committee from the Courthouse and the public to work on a master plan for renovations.

Estimates will be taken on the cost of building a boat shed for the Game Warden.

Bitner wins state bowhunting

'In a state that is known for its bow shooters and fierce competition, it was a real honor for Samuel Bitner of Haskell to win the International Bowhunting Organization's Texas State Championship in 9 to 12-year-old Class. IBO is the largest bow organization there is.

This being his first year in this class, where the competition is a lot tougher and the yardage a lot further, Samuel said he was just hoping to place in the top five. But after the first day of shooting twenty targets, he had a score of 192 points, just eight points off of a perfect score.

Then, being way out in the lead with another twenty targets to shoot, he felt "pretty good about his chances." Although those next twenty targets were a lot tougher to judge the yardage on, he judged it well and shot very good, being able able to win with a score

Samuel's seven-year-old sister, Kristina Bitner, placed in the top of her class in age 8 and under. The children's parents, Sammy and Tina Bitner, said they are very proud of Kristina's accomplishment in

archery in her first year to compete. Both of the young archers are now getting ready for the North

American Bowhunters World Championships to be held in Oklahoma City at the end of this month.



TOP ARCHER-Samuel Bitner of Haskell, recently won the International Bowhunting Organization Texas State Championship in the 9 to 12 year-old Class. He is the son of Sammy and Tina Bitner.

continue decline Texas Comptroller Carole date of \$964.17.

Sales tax receipts

Keeton Rylander delivered a total of \$178.5 million in monthly sales tax payments to 1,097 Texas cities and 118 counties. July sales tax rebates are up 2.2 percent compared to July 1998. Year-to-date, payments to cities and counties are running 6.5 percent ahead of the first seven months of 1998.

"Many businesses are ringing up increased sales as the Texas economy continues to grow," Comptroller Rylander said.

July sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected in May and reported to the Comptroller's office in June.

The sales tax rebates Comptroller Rylander delivered included \$164.1 million to Texas cities. Thus far in 1999, rebates to cities are 7.1 percent higher than for the same period in 1998.

Texas counties received July sales tax rebates of \$14.4 million. Year-to-date rebates to counties are up 0.4 percent compared to 1998.

Haskell County had a 4.06 percent decrease for July, 1999 of \$20,771.35 in comparison to \$21,651.35 for July, 1998. 1999 payments to date of \$186,104.06 reflect a 6.91 percent decrease over 1998 payments to date of \$199,920.12.

The City of Haskell had a 0.56 percent decrease for July, 1999 of \$20,298.07 in comparison to \$20,413.63 for July, 1998. 1999. payments to date of \$173,501.82 reflect a 6.30 percent decrease over 1998 payments to date of \$185,174.61.

O'Brien had a 71.35 percent decrease for July, 1999 of \$6.25 in comparison to \$21.82 for July, 1998. 1999 payments to date of \$535.87 reflect a 44.42 percent decrease over 1998 payments to

Rochester had a 43.05 percent decrease for July, 1999 of \$313.67 in comparison to \$550.85 for July, 1998. 1999 payments to date of \$3,605.50 reflect a 11.78 percent decrease over 1998 payments to date of \$4,087.22.

Rule had a 80.09 percent decrease for July, 1999 of \$128.69 in comparison to \$646.64 for July, 1998. 1999 payments to date of \$7,349.67 reflect a 16.26 percent decrease over 1998 payments to date of \$8,777.56.

Weinert had a 34.00 percent increase for July, 1999 of \$24.67 in comparison to \$18.41 for July, 1998. 1999 payments to date of \$1,111.20 reflect a 21.23 percent increase over 1998 payments to date of \$916.56.

Daffodils to beautify city park areas

A plan for beautification of the city park, presented to the City Council by a delegation from the Haskell Garden Club, was approved at the regular 7:00 a.m. meeting of the Council, Mon., July 12.

Club spokesperson, Florence Peden outlined the plan to plant daffodil bulbs in the park, beginning around the Labriere house, and extending to various locations in the park and around town, depending on the amount of bulbs donated to the project.

In other business, approval was given for the Zoning Board

recommendation for property at 404 North 13th St, changing it from Retail to Special Retail Purpose for a brushless carwash operated by

Ronnie Adam's bid for the land lease at the city landfill was again

The bid for land lease at the Airport was rejected. It will be reopened for bidding.

City Attorney, Shane Hadaway, and City Administrator, Sam Watson were appointed as Authorized Designees of the Code Compliance Officer.

Hospital

Admissions Robert Cousins. Seymour Dismissals Billie Jean Walters, Roy Letz, Caswell Clem, Margie Sutton, Ruby Nanny, Myrtle Cousins

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Students in the News

Three area students have been named to the A Honor Roll and the Distinguished Student list for the Spring 1999 semester which ended in May at Tarleton State University

Stephanie G. Gray of Haskell was named on both the Honor Roll and The Distinguished list. Nicole L. McCulloch of Haskell and Shelly Gail Hester of Rochester were named to the Distinguished

There were 311 students listed on the A Honor Roll. These students have a 4.0 grade point ratio (GPR) on the 4.0 system, and are taking a minimum of 12 hours.

Distinguished Students include freshman and sophomore students who have a minimum GPR of 3.25 with no grade lower than C, and juniors and seniors who have a minimum GPR of 3.50 with no grade lower than C and are in good

Obituaries

Bobby J. McLain, Sr.

Funeral services for Bobby J. McLain, Sr., 74, of Grapevine, were held Tues., July 13 at the Rule Church of Christ. Burial was in Rochester Cemetery

Mr. McLain died Sat., July 10 at a Fort Worth hospi-

Born Oct. 17, 1924 in Haskell, he was a retired marble

Survivors include his wife, Dela McLain of Grape vine; two sons, Bobby J. McLain, Jr. of Grapevine and Pat McLain of Irving; one brother, Orion McLain of Wiley; one granddaughter, Allissa McCullough of St. Joseph, Missouri; three stepchildren, Darlene McKinley of Grapevine, Buddy Tibbets of Haskell and Travis Tibbets of Elliston, Virginia; and 14 step-grandchildren.

Emma Baitz Raphelt

Funeral services for Emma Baitz Raphelt, 92, of Stamford were held Fri., July 9 at Faith Lutheran Church in Sagerton. Burial was in Old Glory Cemetery directed by Kinney Funeral Home.

Mrs. Raphelt died Wed., July 7 in a Stamford nursing

Born Nov. 26, 1906 at LaGrange, she was the oldest of ten children of Willie Fritz and Annie Schaefer Tredemeyer. She attended schools near LaGrange. In 1921 she moved with her family to West Texas settling southeast of Old Glory. She married Fritz Baitz Dec. 21, 1926. He preceded her in death Aug. 11, 1938. She worked at the Old Glory School for six years as cafeteria supervisor until 1952. She married Herman Raphelt and moved to Stamford in 1952. He preceded her in death Jan. 25, 1970. She was named Lutheran Woman of the Year by the Lutheran Women's Missionary League of the Texas District Nov. 3, 1971. She was a lifelong member of the Lutheran Church where she taught Sunday School, VBS, sang in the choir and held all the offices of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League. She was a member of the Faith Lutheran Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents; four brothers, Werner, Leon, Willie Fritz, Jr. (Buster) and August; two sisters, Alma (Snooks) Hertel and Lydia Lovvorn; a grandson and two great-grandchildren.

Survivors include five children: Dorothy Clark, Mae Stegemoeller and Melvin Baitz of Sagerton, Ruby Olson of San Angelo and Leslie Baitz of Leander; two step-children, Herman Raphelt, Jr. of Lubbock and Lillie Mae Reed of Roby; two sisters, Helga Anderson of Lueders and Esther Kinman of Stamford; one brother, Weldon Tredemeyer of San Saba; 13 grandchildren, 29 greatgrandchildren, 2 great-great grandchildren, 6 step-grandchildren, 12 step-great grandchildren, 4 step great-great, grandchildren, a host of nieces and nephews, cousins and

Grandsons served as pallbearers: Ray Clark, Clyde Stegemoeller, Gerald Olson, Fred Baitz, Nolan Raphelt and Garland Raphelt.

Honorary pallbearers were Deon and Maxine Williams, John Fred and Nelwyn Phillips, Oscar and Nora Schkade, Dean Roesler, Jeri Smith, Susanne Kamrath, Janice Wolsch, Louise Griggs and Dell Reed.

Memorials may be made to Faith Lutheran Church Rt. 2, Box 7, Sagerton, Texas 79548; Johnny Baitz Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o Faith Lutheran Church. Sagerton; or Coleman Bivins Memorial Scholarship Fund for Rule High School, c/o Farmers National Bank, Rule,







Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Rickey, Debbie, Todd and Kayla Scheffel from Lubbock visited in the home of her parents, Lewis and Joyce Thomas the past weekend. They also enjoyed points of interest in the Dallas-Fort Worth area. They visited her sister and family, Suzanne, Mike, Cody and Tanner Wollard of Grapevine before returning to Haskell and Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Watson spent Sat. afternoon in Wichita Falls visiting with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bo Watson. They had the evening meal

Visiting several days with Hope Josselet were daughter and son-inlaw. Clinton and Brenda Baccus of Mansfield and their son and family Lieutenant Colonel Garry Baccus and wife Kim and children Kara and Austin. Garry and family were enroute to Beale AFB, Calif. where he will be stationed until Sept. 2001. Also visiting was the Baccus' daughter-in-law Gloria Baccus and her daughter Britni.

On Sun. Hope's son, Jor Josselet and wife Pam, from Dimmitt came for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Greg Farmingham and children came for a visit with: her mother Nedra McCauley and Nedra accompanied them on to. Sulphur, Louisiana for a visit with Marc and Melisa Robison and children. J. Brian and Jimmy McCallum of Oklahoma City came to be with Audrey McCallum in Rice Springs Care Home while Nedra is gone.

Robin and Lee Ann Colbert of Dallas were visiting parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Toliver and Golda Colbert over the weekend.

Thelma Atchison is home and doing better.

Bernice Hilliard spent the night Sat. in Abilene with sister-in-law Elaine Ballard and went to the Wagon Wheel for square dancing where Leon Ivey was caller and Maxine Ivey did the line dance. On-Sun. her son, Kenneth Hilliard of

near Waco, spent the night with

Nieces of George Gray, Vivian Hudson and Carrie Wardrop of Lubbock and Carl and Christene Palaho of Morton visited with them on Wed. Georgia Turnbow of Weinert visited Sun. morning and Sun. evening. Son Lynn Gray of Grapeland came and spent the night.

Long time friends of Bro. Paris and Fannie Mae Barton, Don and Pauline Wilson of Jayton visited with them on Thurs. evening. Then all went to the Drug Store Cafe in Rule for supper.

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Guess What's Happening

Double ring ceremony unites Brandi Briles, Kasey Anthony



MR. AND MRS. KASEY ANTHONY

Brandi Michelle Briles and Kasey Dwain Anthony were united in marriage June 5 at First Baptist Church in Haskell. Randy McLelland of Glen Rose performed the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Teresa and Eddie Briles of Haskell and the granddaughter of Eugene and Shirley Rhoads of Rule and the late Dennis and Wanda Briles. Great grandmother is Leona Schonerstedt of Sagerton and great grandfather is M. L. Powell of

The groom is the son of Patricia and Kelly Anthony of Idalou and the grandson of Olion and Retha Anthony and Jack and Betty Hamilton, all of Idalou. Great grandmothers are Corrie Hamilton of Idalou and Altha Anthony of Elmore City, Okla.

Given in marriage by her parents, the bride was escorted to the altar by her father. She wore a white matte satin wedding gown with an off the shoulder bodice, "V" neckline and a scoop back with Tenetian lace decorating the neckline. Pearls and crystal sequins decorated the lace. Satin buttons fastened the bodice back. The short sleeves were multiple pleated with lace and illusion edging. The "A" line gown flowed into a cathedral train with a bow at the back waistline and a self roses adorning the center. The front skirt had lace medallions with pearls and crystal sequin trim. The back of the train had two scalloped insertions which ere defined by multiple pleats on the scalloped edge and lace trimmed the outside of the pleats. Small bows sat at the top of the lace inserts. At the end of the train was a scalloped insertion of illusion which was heavily embellished with lace and studded with pearls and crystal sequins. Her elbow length veil was of illusion and was held with a headband of small white flowers and gypsophila with

pearl centers. The veil was made by her mother. The bride carried an English

oval bouquet of white and burgandy roses, English ivy and stephanotis and was accented with pearl sprays, tulle and burgandy and white ribbon tied with love knots. It was made by her aunt and uncle, Pam and Glen Schonerstedt of

Levelland. Following tradition for something old, a handkerchief belonging to her late grandmother was worked into the bouquet, something new was her dress, something borrowed was a pearl necklace belonging to her aunt, Linda Kittley and something blue was her garter.

The double ring vows were pledged before a lighted colonade topped with white flowers and greenery flanked on each side by a spiral candelabrum entwined with greenery and tulle bows. Tulle garlands decorated with white beads, greenery, burgandy roses and tulle bows decorated the railings in front of the piano and organ. Two fresh flower arrangements of stargazer lilies, burgandy gerber daisies, white snapdragons, larkspur and alstameria filled in with misty white, English ivy and Italian rusk in burgandy vases were placed on the railings. Two large wreaths of burgandy roses and white magnolias, greenery, baby's breath and pomegranates completed the altar setting.

The pews were marked with candles that were accented with tulle bows, greenery and burgandy

Amy Cunningham served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Anna Rieger and Becky Anthony of Lubbock, sister of the groom. They wore identical tea length burgandy jacquard dresses with princess seams, flared backs and cap sleeves with a triangular back opening and self ties.

They carried round bouquets of white daisies, white and burgandy lilies, green ivy, mini burgandy carnations and were accented with green, burgandy and white ribbon. Her aunt and uncle made the

The groom wore a classic black tuxedo, white shirt, black vest and bow tie. His boutonniere was a burgandy rosebud and baby's breath.

Best man was Eric Brumley of Idalou. Danny Foster of Lubbock and Michael Price of San Angelo served as groomsmen. They wore classic black tuxedos, white shirts, burgandy vests and bow ties and had burgandy rose boutonnieres.

Guests were seated by Jason Briles, brother of the bride, Randall Martin of Sweetwater, Travis Anthony and Justin Hamilton, both of Idalou.

Candlelighters were Jonathan Kittley of Abilene, cousin of the bride and Tiffany Smith of Idalou, cousin of the groom. Jonathan wore a black tuxedo, white shirt, hunter green vest and bow tie and had a burgandy rose boutonniere. Tiffany wore a tea length hunter green damask dress with an empire waist, scalloped "V" neckline, short puffed sleeves and was accented at the front waistline with a green satin bow. She wore a wrist corsage of white roses and burgandy baby's breath.

Flower girls were Haley Rhoads of Georgetown, cousin of the bride and Morgan Hamilton of Castle Rock, Colorado, cousin of the groom. Their dresses were the same as Tiffany's. They wore halo wreaths of mini English ivy, small white flowers and burgandy baby's breath and were accented with pearl sprays and a bow of white beaded ribbon in the back. They were made by the mother of the bride. They carried white wicker baskets decorated with white beaded ribbon, miniature burgandy and white roses and burgandy bows. The baskets were filled with rose petals.

Ringbearers were Ty Rhoads of Rule, cousin of the bride and Rynn Smith of Idalou, cousin of the

as Jonathan's. They carried white pillows decorated with tulle,

burgandy and white ribbon and white roses. They wore burgandy rose boutonnieres. The pillows were made by the bride's mother.

"To Make You Feel My Love" and other musical selections were provided by Ellen Rieger, pianist. Vocalists were Katy Martin who sang, "The Lord's Prayer." Randy McLelland and Katy sang "From This Moment On.

The song, "I Don't Want to Miss a Thing" was played as the candles were lit and as the parents and grandparents were seated.

The unity candle stood on a four foot column and was surrounded by a ring of burgandy roses, greenery and a long tulle bow centered with burgandy roses. The bride's mother lit a taper signifying the bride's family and the groom's mother lit a taper signifying the groom's

The bride's parents hosted a reception at the church following the ceremony. Serving at the bride's table were Melissa Tatum and Jennifer Comedy.

The three-tiered stacked traditional white cake was decorated with a cascading fresh flower bouquet of white roses, lilies, alstameria, baby's breath, plumosus fern and burgandy ribbon. Burgandy punch, roasted pecans and chocolate mints were served from crystal appointments.

Serving at the groom's table were Anna Rieger and Linda Kittley. A chocolate heart-shaped cake drizzled with chocolate and surrounded by baby's breath, chocolate covered strawberries and plumosus fern was served along with fruit, cheeseball and crackers, tortilla rounds and coffee from silver and crystal appointments.

The bride was honored with a shower in the home of Rhonda

The couple was honored with a miscellaneous shower in Idalou May 14 at the home of Joe and Christi Hurst.

A lingerie shower given by Amy Cunningham, Christy Cadenhead. Becky Anthony, Melissa Tatum, Anna Rieger and Katy Martin was held June 4.

On June 5 the bride was honored with a luncheon given by her grandmother, Shirley Rhoads, at Levis and Lace in Haskell.

The bridegroom's parents hosted

the rehearsal dinner at the Haskell National Bank Community Room.

The bride is a 1995 graduate of Haskell High School and a May 1999 graduate of Texas Tech University. She is employed by United Supermarkets of Lubbock.

The groom is a graduate of Idalou High School and is employed by Fiftieth Street Caboose in Lubbock.

Following a honeymoon to Cancun, Cozumel and Roatan, they will make their home in Lubbock.

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OPINION



HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling **TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION**

AUSTIN — Gov. George W. Bush once again has offered to free down the line," he said. any Texas school district from state regulations.

Not one of the state's 1,040 school districts is expected to take was short 31 guards when a conthe governor up on his offer, The Dallas Morning News reported last week.

Four years ago, Bush persuaded the Legislature to give school districts a way for maximum local control by becoming a "home rule" district. There were no takers then, either.

Linda Edwards, the governor's press secretary, suggested why the idea hasn't caught on.

"If school districts are choosing not to turn to home rule, it means the state has been successful in giving districts more freedom in teaching their students," she told The News last week. "Home rule is a protection against too much regulation by the state."

Edwards said it is important that the option remain available because it "keeps the state honest" when pledges to reduce regulations are made.

To achieve home rule status, a school district must have the approval of 25 percent of its voters.

Short of doing that, school districts have the option of requesting waivers of certain state regulations, such as limits on class size, the shortening of school calendars and more days for teacher train-

UT Plans to Improve Schools

The University of Texas System last week announced a plan to improve its own elementary and secondary teacher-preparation pro-

Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs Ed Sharpe also told a panel of university regents he is creating a commission to find ways for UT's nine campuses to expand the system's reach into schools.

"This isn't a study commission. Our office is going to take this on as a primary initiative," Sharpe said in a report published by the Austin American-Statesman.

Data compiled by UT Chancellor William Cunningham show the portion of Texans between the ages of 18 and 34 attending fouryear universities is 18 percent below the national average and Texas' per capita income is 12 percent lower than average for the 10 most populous states.

To improve education is to improve the economy, said Regent Charles Miller, a Houston businessman and chairman of the regents' academic affairs committee.

"There are benefits all up and

Guard Shortage Identified

Texas' highest security prison, the Estelle Unit near Huntsville, vict escaped June 27 by scaling two fences and leaping over a

The governing board of the Texas prison system is investigating whether the job vacancies were a factor in the escape of Dallas murderer Clifford Dwayne

Jones was captured in a tree three miles from the prison, 49 hours after his escape.

"Anytime you operate at less than 100 percent you risk problems," prison board chairman Allan Polunsky said in a report published last week by the Austin American-Statesman.

The shortage of prison guards has increased in the past year, according to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Starting pay for prison guards is about \$18,000

3 Measures Get Gov's Signature

Gov. Bush last week had a ceremonial signing for a new law requiring defendants to share their witness list with prosecutors.

Sen. Eddie Lucio, who sponsored the measure approved in May by the Texas Legislature, hailed the new law as a step to ensure victims' rights in a trial.

Lucio, D-Brownsville, said the new law also allows prosecutors time to prepare for expert testi-

"We are talking about highly technical testimony with expert witnesses . . . and since jurors are not allowed to ask the questions, they must rely on the thorough questioning by the attorneys on both sides of the case," Lucio said in a report by the Austin American-Statesman.

Also at the ceremony, the governor signed two other new laws. One eliminates appeal bonds for people convicted of violent offenses or who receive sentences of 10 years or longer; the other increases the number of training hours child-care providers must receive on what causes brain injuries in infants.

Other Highlights

■ The nearly 450,000 Texans who live overseas now can use a toll-free number (800-438-8683) to call Secretary of State Elton Bomer's office for information on elections and absentee voting. The service is administered by the Department of Defense's Voting Information Center.

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A TEN-YEAR-OLD BOY'S IDEA OF A SUMMER SCHEDULE ...

11 a.m. -- get up NOON -- breakfast

1 p.m. -- nintendo

2 p.m. -- work on clubhouse

3 p.m. -- swim in river

4 p.m. -- lunch

5 p.m. -- follow bear tracks

6 p.m. -- chores

6:05 p.m. -- fishin' 7:30 p.m. -- snack

8 p.m. -- build fort

9 p.m. -- baseball 10:30 p.m. -- supper

11 p.m. -- hide 'n' go seek

2 a.m. -- catch fireflies

3 a.m. -- ghost stories

5 a.m. -- Z-Z-Z-Z...

4:30 a.m. -- watch sunrise

4 a.m. -- snack

MIDNIGHT -- nintendo

From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago July 13, 1989

Approximately 85 scouts and their families from Haskell Pack 136 attended the pack meeting. The scouts enjoyed a swim party at the Haskell city swimming pool and then went to the city park for a hot dog cookout and an awards

Tiffany Moeller has been named a "Distinguished Student" at Tarleton State University. This is one of the highest honors that Tarleton confers on students.

The Texas Girls Coaches Association named Joy McKeever a state 100-meter hurdle all-star during its awards presentation in

20 Years Ago July 12, 1979

Construction has begun on a new fire station. Official ground breaking ceremonies were held on the proposed site. On hand for the official ground breaking ceremonies were Mayor Royce Williams, Fire Commissioner Joe Cortez, City Secretary Desmond Dulaney, Fire Chief Tom Watson, Fire Department Supervisor Satch Lusk and Dave Strickland of Strickland

A total of thirty persons donated blood to the Red River Regional Red Cross Bloodmobile. Goal for the bloodmobile was 80 units.

Twenty-one students from Haskell will be among approximately 600 students from four states participating in the ninth annual Abilene Christian University Summer Band Camp.

30 Years Ago July 10, 1969

The Weinert 4-H'ers visited Lane-Felker. Mrs. R. A. Lane spoke to the girls on fashions of today, giving them pointers on the things to look for and think about when choosing a wardrobe.

Southside Baptist W.M.U. met in the home of Colene Moody. Six members were present.

The Rainbow Sewing Club met in the home of Mrs. Alvin Corzine. Vice-president, Mrs. Jess Josselet presided over the business session.

> 40 Years Ago July 9, 1959

Rev. I. F. Sheffield is the new pastor of the St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Sagerton.

Billy Fouts and Tommy Coston, Haskell High School juniors, attended Boy's State in

Three local plane modelers, Ervin Frierson, Ted Dement and Jody Kennedy attended a model show and contest in Odessa.

The Haskell County Sheriff's

Posse won first place in the riding club division of the Cowboy Reunion parade at Stamford.

50 Years Ago July 14, 1949

Clay Hattox, former resident and business man, who has been engaged in ranching near Uvalde, will return to Haskell to take charge of the new Humble Service Station as operator and business manager.

The ladies of the East Side WMU met for their monthly Bible study with eight ladies present and one visitor.

Haskell's newly-organized girls softball team played their first game at Throckmorton and lost by a score of 4-3. Walter Grisham is

> 90 Years Ago July 10, 1909

C. E. Bowers has sold his dry goods store at Sagerton to J. S. Brasher of Frankston.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hunt left this week for a vacation trip to points in Oregon, California and

Washington. A large congregation gathered at the lots where the new Methodist Church building is to be built. They witnessed an impressive groundbreaking ceremony for the structure. H. M. Rike plowed the first furrow.

H. G. S. A.

Sagerton News By Dorothy M. Clark

Sadness again fills the air in the Long, Joseph Turner, Jacob Perez, Chandelor Robinson and his brother community after the death of a and sister, Kinsey and Tully. After the swimming they enjoyed birthday cake and ice cream.

friend of all and mother of three of our residents. Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at Faith Lutheran for Emma Baitz Raphelt, mother of Dorothy Clark, Mae Stegemoeller and Melvin Baitz of Sagerton, Ruby Olson of San Angelo and Leslie Baitz of Leander. Emma was an active member of Zion Lutheran Church all her adult life, having taught Sunday School, VBS, sang in the choir and held all offices of the Lutheran's Women's Missionary League. She lived in the Old Glory community prior to her marriage to Herman Raphelt in 1952 when she moved to Stamford. She had been a member of Zion Lutheran Church in Abilene for 30 years prior to her transfer to Faith Lutheran last Nov. 15. Emma had many relatives and dear friends in the Old Glory, Sagerton and Stamford communities and will be missed by all. She was a special lady, hard working, fun loving...and my Mother.

Alvin and Alice Bredthauer attended a Bredthauer family reunion recently at Academy.

Pastor Dawn Hansen of Irving has been a guest in the home of Pastor Jeff, Marie and Thomas Zell. She and Pastor Zell became good friends while in the seminary together. She is pastor of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Irving.

Cade Brown, son of Ken and Jill, was honored with a swim party on July 1 at the home of his uncle and aunt, Larry and Susan LeFevre. The occasion was the celebration of his 6th birthday. Other friends present were Andrew Hertel, Aaron

Mary Neinast and her children, Kenneth and family Emory and Judy McEwen and family of Anson, attended the John Wesley Brown family reunion at Lago Vista during the weekend. Thirty-three cousins from Austin, Lubbock, Dallas, Sunset City and Kansas enjoyed the weekend together near Lake Travis. The Browns grew up in the Paint Creek community.

Congratulations are in order for another pair of great grandparents of the community. Eric and Laressa LeFevre Earthman presented Delbert and Joyce with a healthy great grandson, Ryan Delbert, on July 10. The Earthmans live in Weimer. That also makes Larry and Susan grandparents! Best wishes to all.

The Hobby Club met at the community center last Thursday for its regular monthly meeting with Peggy Tabor hostess. They finished their stained glass project that had been begun earlier. On Aug. 10 the club will take their spouses out for a night "on the town." Members present included Joyce LeFevre, Wilma Teichelman, Yvonne Swofford, Leona Letz, Jo Brown, Ev Ulmer, Mary Neinast, Margaret Wendeborn, Dorothy Toney and Christine Stremmel. Members were especially happy to visit with Mrs. Stremmel, who had been ill for quite some time.

Guests in the home of the Melvin Baitzs, Leon Stegemoellers and Joe Clarks during the weekend to attend the funeral service for

Emma Raphelt included: Leslie and Kay Baitz, Barbara and Janice Linden of Leander, Carol, Deborah and Susie Cotton, Mark, Becky, Brandon and Chrystie Cotton of Hutto, Calvin, Cherri Lynn, Eric, Ross and Christi Stegemoeller of Hewitt, Carl, Beth, Mindi, Jonathan and Maegan Stegemoeller of Hobbs, N. M., Clyde Stegemoeller of Richardson, George and Ruby Olson of San Angelo, Gerald and Carrie Olson of Sanger, Don and Patsy Bivins of Valley View, Emmalee Bivins and Rick Phemister of Haskell, David Adler of Houston and Anna Willis of Montgomery.

Other out of town friends coming were Jack and Janice Gattenby of Valley View, Lavinia Lohrmann of Stephenville, the Garland Raphelt family of Arlington, the Nolan Raphelt family of Vicksburg, Miss., Milton and Edgar Schmidt of Austin, Cozie Draper, Dean Roesler, John and Bea Glennewinkel, Susanne Kamrath, Jerri Smith, Vernon and Winnie Youngquist, Larry, Jeanie and Pam Letz, Bud Letz, Nelwyn and John Fred Phillips, Deon and Maxine Williams, Harvey and Edna Wagner, Rev. Laverne Jansen, Janelle Fulgham, Carey Sheppard, Bill and Rosa Lee Webb, Melvin and Melinda Rogers, Robert and Jera Stephan, Marvin and Gay Guelker, Ricky Law, Walter and Pat Kionka and Steve and Lisa Hertel, all of Abilene. Joe Ray Baitz of Austin and many friends and relatives from Stamford, Avoca, Lueders, Haskell, Rule, Old Glory and Aspermont.

Green Thumb

By Gladys O'Neal

By midsummer, we all tend to slow down in the heat. Now is the time to really hang tough in the

With a little planning, we will find it's a breeze to get through the dog days of summer.

If you are working out in the sun, lightweight wide-brimmed hats are best for beating the sun. six-inch brim provides perfect cover for the entire face, neck and shoulders. Remember the light colored ones reflect the sun and make you feel cooler. Darker colors absorbs sunlight and heat you up quickly.

If you have hollyhocks, which is such a nice old flower, its blooms are beautiful. Now is the the time to cut them off at the ground level and fertilize them and water them well. Also, if you have verbenas, keep them clipped. Many annuals have finished blooming; clear the beds, fertilize and spade and let the bed mellow for fall planting. Also cut your perennials back, some will bloom again.

This is a good time to start cuttings. Use a slip about four inches long. Remove all leaves except those at the top. Plant in sand and keep them moist.

Now is the time to seed a fall crop of lettuce, spinach and radishes. Mulch around the base of your potato plants to keep sunlight from turning the potatoes green and toxic. Carrots should also be mulched to prevent green shoulders. Spread some human hair clippings around your plants to entangle slugs.

Whether your home is one acre in the country or on a small lot in town, outdoor sitting areas can add a special sense of space to your

garden. Sitting areas can be as simple as two chairs under a tree or as complex as an outdoor dining area or a finely crafted gazebo. It's nice to entertain your friends in the summer.

Letter to the editor

Dear Editor:

The Haskell Girls Softball Association would like to thank all those who volunteered their time and energy to make our 1999 Spring League a success. Oul young ladies played teams from Abilene, Forsan, Aspermont, Wylie, Stamford, Hawley, Knox City and Rule this season. Without business, parent and community support, this program would not succeed.

Donnie Rieger

Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 815 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., July 10, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

Cows: fat, .36-.40; cutters, .38-.42; canners, .37-.45. Bulls: bologna, .50-.55; feeder, .46-.52; utility, .48-.52.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.00-1.15; 300-400 lbs., .95-1.05; 400-500 lbs., .85-.95; 500-600 lbs., .82-.85; 600-700 lbs., .75-.78; 700-800 lbs., .71-.75; 800-up lbs., .69-

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .85-.95; 300-400 lbs., .85-.92; 400-500 lbs., .80-.85; 500-600 lbs., .77-.80; 600-up lbs., .70-.76.

Bred Heifers: medium frame Bred Cows: young to middle

aged, 550-605; aged or small, 500-Cows with calves: medium

frame No. 1 young and middle aged, 700-800; aged or small, 600-

Student in the News

The College of Arts and Sciences at Texas Tech University in Lubbock has recognized Tara Moeller Olson for scholastic achievement qualifying for the President's List, which is accorded to those students who have attained a grade point average of 4.0.

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Mr. and Mrs. Rich Palma and friends from O'Brien have graciously volunteered to chair the luncheon.

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Stennett, McFadden wed in Tahoka

Stephanie Carol Stennett of Tahoka and Brandon Jay McFadden of Haskell were united in marriage Sat., June 26 in the First Baptist Church of Tahoka. Rev. Jerry Becknal officiated the double ring ceremony.

Parents of the bride are Gary and Betty Stennett of Tahoka. Parents of the groom are Arvil and Mary Ann McFadden of Haskell.

The altar was decorated with one candelabra on each side and a candle arch in the middle. The altar also held the unity candle and the kneeling bench where the bride and groom took communion. Adorning the altar were three arrangements of fresh flowers consisting of white gladioluses, white daisies, pale yellow roses and light blue delphinium.

The bride, escorted by her father, wore a gown of white bridal satin designed by Bonny. The gown featured a scoop neckline complimented by a short sleeve of Schiffli lace and accented with a set-in tuxedo bow. The bodice was accented with Schiffli lace pearls and sequins. The basque waistline

McSmith, Bailey plan Aug. wedding

Dr. and Mrs. William D. McSmith of Haskell announce the engagement of their daughter, Marci, to Bob Bailey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bailey of Mason,

The couple plans an August wedding.



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allowed the full ball gown skirt to fall gracefully to the floor and sweep into a mid-cathedral train. The keyhole back was accented with dripping pearls, a tuxedo bow at the neckline and a bow at the waistline. The train was of scallops of sheer Schiffli lace. To complete her ensemble, she wore a tiara of pearls and rhinestones finished with soft illusion.

She carried a traditionally shaped bouquet of fresh flowers consisting of pale yellow roses, white daisies, stephanotis and light blue delphinium accents.

Jennifer Harris of Lubbock was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Lindsey Rowland and Jennifer Boresche, both of Lubbock; Amanda DiGiore of Anchorage, Alaska, cousin of the bride; and Bonnie and Courtney Stennett, both of Tahoka, sisters of the

The bridesmaids wore A-line dresses of cornflower blue crepe with an empire waist accented with a satin ribbon. The dresses featured a scooped back adorned with a satin rosette and a chiffon drape.

Best man was Kurt McCord of Lubbock. Groomsmen were Ryan Olson of Lubbock, Tom Saali, brother-in-law of the groom, of Tyler, Paul Irby of Brownwood, Brady Adams of Austin and Joe Craig of Tahoka.

Ushers were Cole Larned, Casey Larned and Drew Stone, all of Lubbock; and cousins of the bride, Clay Jackson and Ty Blackwell, both of Acuff.

Ashton Irby of Brownwood was flower girl. Her pale yellow dress was the same design as the bridesmaid dresses. Ring bearer was Nathan Saali of Tyler, nephew of the groom.

Robin Walker of Lubbock registered guests.

Pianist was Susan Draper of Plainview and Donna Stone of Tahoka played the organ. Starla Saali, sister of the groom, sang "Parents Prayer." Susan Draper sang "I Will Be Here"; Byron Norwood sang "Knowing You"; and Draper and Norwood performed "From This Moment On.

Following the ceremony, the couple rode in a horse-drawn carriage to the reception, which was held at the Life Enrichment Center and featured a dance.

The bride's cake was three-tier white cake with white buttercream icing. It was separated with white columns and was surrounded with four hear-shaped cakes. The cake was decorated with lattice work and swag icing, featured blue and yellow sugar flowers and was

topped with fresh flowers. The groom's cake was a two layer German chocolate cake with chocolate icing in a basket weave

MRS. BRANDON McFADDEN Lubbock.

The groom is a 1998 graduate of Texas Tech University. He is employed by Texas Ag Experiment Station.

The bride is a 1999 graduate of Texas Tech. She is a self-employed gymnastics instructor.

A rehearsal dinner, hosted by the groom's parents, was held in the fellowship hall of the church. The dinner was prepared by Danny and Donna Stone, Linda Gayle McFadden, aunt of the groom and Faye Wheeler, grandmother of the groom.

Retirement reception to honor Turners

A retirement reception will be held for Bro. Jim and Sammie Turner Sun., July 25 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the Family Activity Center of the First Baptist Church. Friends from all area churches are invited to attend.

design. It was topped with

chocolate covered strawberries and

Serving at the bride's table were

Shelly Stone of Lubbock, D'Lynn

Stone of Tahoka and Shelah

McFadden of Hawley, sister of the

Ashley Allcorn of San Angelo,

Tara Olson of Lubbock and

Christye Gannaway of Haskell

The couple left the reception in

a white stretch limousine and they

honeymooned in Ocho Rios,

Jamaica. They will reside in

served at the groom's table.

A money tree will be presented at that time and those who wish to participate in this love gift may give their gift to any deacon or take it to the Haskell National Bank ad deposit it in the Jim Turner Retirement Fund.

Historical Society hears family history

The Haskell County Historical and Genealogical Society held a meeting July 5 at the First National Bank Community Room.

Weldon Norman presented the Norman family history book and talked about the Norman family coming to Haskell and settling near

During the business meeting

selection of pictures for next year's calendar was discussed.

Present were Weldon Norman, Johnny Scoggins, Wanda Ham, Eula Peters, Doris Butler, Dolin Hughes, Maxine Miller, Mattie M. English, Hortense Lees, Kenneth Jarred, Martha Jarred, Ernestine C. Herren, Patsy Pate Cobb, Frances Lane and Iva Lee Gipson.



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Wednesday, July 21 11:00 a.m. Blood pressure check Outreach Health Services

Lunch-Hamburgers, pinto beans, hamburger salad, cobbler, milk, tea

Friday, July 23 Lunch-Tuna cakes, parslied potatoes, greens, brownies, bread, milk, tea or coffee

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WHEN YOU VISIT GOD'S WILDERNESS, KEEP IT CLEAN



Whenever you pay a visit to the home of friends or relatives, you naturally remember your manners and do your best to keep the place as neat and clean as possible. By the same token, if your plans take you to a wilderness or camping area, this is also a good place to remember your manners. It's really a form of "love thy neighbor," because you

may share the place with you. Another reason is that you are God's guest there. In any wilderness area you can see all that beauty which He has provided for your enjoyment. Think of it as an outdoor extension of your House of Worship, and respect it as you would any place where you are an invited guest. In this case, the "guest room" is all God's creation.

Faith Chapel of Rochester

Katherine Byrd, minister

Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m.

Hwy 6, Rochester

First United Methodist Church

Dolan Brinson, pastor

Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

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Sagerton Methodist Church

Daniel Ramey, pastor

Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.

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Faith Lutheran Church

Jeff Zell, pastor

Sun. Morn. 9:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.

Sagerton

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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

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Dale Turner Jr., pastor

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John Greeson, minister

Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.

811 Union, Rule

First United Methodist Church

Daniel Ramey, pastor

Sun. Morn. 10:50 a.m., 6 p.m.

1000 Union Ave., Rule

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

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.ni.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.

300 Sunny Ave., Rule

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 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.

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

901 N. 16th, 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.

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

First Baptist Church Joel Rister, pastor Weinert

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--- ROCHESTER--Church of Christ Steve Wilis, minister 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

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Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.

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

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• Tax brackets. The income tax brackets for 1999 are as follows: Taxable income

Head of Household Tax rate Single Married (Joint) 15% \$1-25,750 \$1-43,050 \$1-34,550 \$34,551-89,150 28% \$25,751-62,450 \$43,051-104,050 31% \$62,451-130,250 \$104,051-158,550 \$89,151-144,400 \$144,401-283,150 36% \$130,251-283,150 \$158,551-283,150 Over \$283,150 39.6% Over \$283,150 Over \$283,150 For marrieds filing separately, the taxable income amounts in each

• Personal exemptions. The deduction for each personal exemption increases in 1999 to \$2,750 (phased out for taxpayers with higher

bracket are one-half the amounts for marrieds filing jointly.

• Standard deductions. The standard deductions for 1999 will be: Joint returns and surviving spouses\$7,200 Married filing separately Head of household ...

The standard deduction is increased by \$850 for a married taxpayer age 65 or older or blind (\$1,700 if the taxpayer is both 65 and blind). It's increased by \$1,050 for single taxpayers age 65 or older or blind (\$2,100 if the taxpayer is both 65 and blind).

• Other adjustments. The amount of unearned income that children under the age of 14 may have before the "kiddie tax" kicks in remains at \$1,400 for 1999. The amount of income at which the itemized deduction limit goes into effect in 1999 increases to \$126,600 (\$63,300 for marrieds filing separate returns). The maximum payment that can be made to a 401(k) retirement plan in 1999 remains at \$10,000. The mileage allowance for business travel in 1999 decreases to 31¢ a mile, effective April 1, 1999. No change was made in the mileage rate for charitable driving (14¢ a mile) or in the mileage rate for medical and moving expenses (10¢

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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 20, 1999. 27-28c

MILK BID SCHOOL YEAR 1999/2000 **INVITATION TO BID** INVITATION

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-

To be considered, bids must be returned no later than 3:30 p.m., Tuesday, July 20, 1999. 27-28c

HASKELL COUNTY SHERIFF NOTICE OF SALE THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF HASKELL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by virtue of a certain Writ of Execution issued out of the Honorable 31st District Court of Hemphill County on the 17th day of July, 1997, by the Clerk of said Court for the sum of \$1,822,908.20, and costs of suit, under a judgment in favor of Amarillo National Bank in a certain cause in said Court, No. 5561, and styled Amarillo National Bank vs. Arrington Energy, Inc., placed in my hands for service, I, John Mills, as Sheriff of Haskell County, Texas, did on the 6th day of July, 1999, levy on certain Real Estate situated in Haskell County, Texas, described as follows, to-

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Public Meeting Proposed reconstruction of North Swenson Avenue (BU 277)

The Abilene District of the Texas Department of Transportation will host a public meeting on Thursday, August 5, 1999, to present preliminary design of the proposed reconstruction of North Swenson Ave (BU 277). The meeting will be held at the VIP Community Center, 508 East Gould Street in Stamford, beginning at 6:00 P.M.

The proposed project limits are from approximately McHarg Street to the Stamford Cemetery. The Project will consist of removing brick and concrete pavement, widening North Swenson Avenue into 4 lanes with a left turning lane, adding curb and gutter with sidewalk, and placing asphaltic concrete pavement. It will be important for all adjoining property owners to attend this meeting to discuss the effects that this project will have on their driveways. At this time the project is scheduled for letting in June 2000 at an estimated cost of \$1.8 million.

There will be an opportunity during the meeting for the public to make oral and written comments and ask questions. Citizens not able to attend the public meeting may submit comments to the Hamlin Area Engineer, Joe Higgins, P. E., at the following address, Texas Department of Transportation, P. O. Box 637, Hamlin,

If you have questions concerning the meeting, please contact Joe Higgins at 915-576-2765.

All interested citizens are invited to attend. The meeting room is handicap accessible. 28-290

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AND LEVIED ON AS THE PROPERTY OF Arrington Energy. Inc. And that on the first Tuesday in August, 1999, the same being the 3rd day of said month, at the Courthouse Door of Haskell County, in the town of Haskell, Texas, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. by virtue of said levy and said judgment, I will offer for sale and sell at public venue, for cash, to the highest bidder, all the right, title, and interest of the said property.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice of publication, in the English Language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Haskell Free Press, a newspaper published in Haskell County. WITNESS MY HAND, this 6th

day of July, 1999. Johnny L. Mills Sheriff Johnny Mills

Haskell County, Texas 27-29c

INVITATION TO BID The Texas Department of Human Services is soliciting sealed written bids for janitorial services at 420 N. 1st, Haskell. Contact Sharie Dunnam at 864-2694 for a bid packet and to inspect the work site. All bids must comply with Specifications and be submitted on

proposal forms. Bid opening is Thursday, July 29, 1999, 3:00 p.m. Contract begins September 1, 1999. For additional information call 915-690-2307. TDHS reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to award the bid determined to be the best value to TDHS and the State of

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This notice is being published pursuant to 12 USC 1828(c) and 12 CFR 5. This notice will appear three times at approximately twoweek intervals over a 30-day period beginning July 1, 1999, and ending July 29, 1999.

Any person desiring to comment on the application to purchase and assume may do so by submitting written comments within 30 days of the date of first publication of this notice to: Licensing Manager, Comptroller of the Currency, Southwestern District, 1600 Lincoln Plaza, 500 North Akard Street, Dallas, Texas 75201-3394. The public file is available for inspection at that office during regular business hours. Written requests for a copy of the public file on the application should be sent to the licensing manager.

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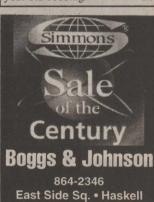
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The Herbert Fischer Family

Perhaps you sent a lovely card, Or sat quietly in a chair.

Perhaps you sent a funeral spray, If so we saw it there. Perhaps you spoke the kindest words,

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Just thought of us that day, Whatever you did to console our hearts, We thank you so much whatever the part.

Also, a special thanks to the entire staff of Teakwood Manor Nursing Home for the love and care extended to our mother during her stay with you in her declining years. Louise Griggs and all the aides went the 'extra mile' to assure us that our Mother was as happy as possible. We appreciate your love and care for her. Thanks also to Pastor Zell, Kinney Funeral Home, Loretta Connally, Kenneth and Eloise Hertel, Faith Lutheran Church members and the entire community for your help at this time. We love you and appreciate your

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Hamilton receives third place at Police Games

City of Haskell Police K-9, Hamilton, received a third place medal at the Texas Police Games held June 25 in Abilene.

The eight-year-old Labrador placed third out the the twenty-one other dogs competing in this year's competition.

Representing different law enforcement agencies from all over the state, all of the K-9s were required to locate narcotics hidden in various locations within a three minute time limit.

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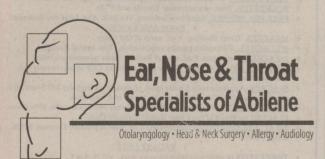
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