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#### Baseball games

Haskell V-JV vs Stamford Fri., Feb. 18, 4:30 p.m. Scrimmage at Stamford

### Softball games

**Abilene Tournament** Feb. 18 & 19 at Abilene

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#### Haskell Chamber banquet Feb. 17

The Haskell Chamber of Commerce annual banquet is set Thurs., Feb. 17 at the Haskell Civic Center at 7 p.m. An old fashioned political rally with each candidate for office having a short period to speak will be the program. Tickets are \$10 and may be purchased from Chamber members. The dinner is barbequed brisket with all the trimmings.

#### Steak dinner

The youth group of the Haskell Church of God will serve a steak dinner at the church Sat., Feb. 19 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. The meal will include an 8 to 10 oz. steak, baked potato, beans and drink. Tickets are \$6. Proceeds will help with expenses for a trip to attend a Youth Conference at Pensacola, Florida in July.

#### Domino night

All domino players are invited to bring a partner or come as a single to a Domino Game Night at the American Legion Hall in Rochester Tues., Feb. 22 beginning at 7 p.m. Games will include 42, 84, Nello or spinner dominoes. No admission will be charged and games will end at 10 p.m. Soft drinks will be available. Alcoholic beverages will not be allowed.

#### Rule Chamber banquet set March 6

The Rule Chamber of Commerce banquet will be held Mon., March 6 at 7 p.m. in the Rule School cafeteria. Prayer-E-Strings will provide the entertainment. The Junior Class will cater the meal. Tickets are \$8.

#### Paint Creek Seniors to hold dinner

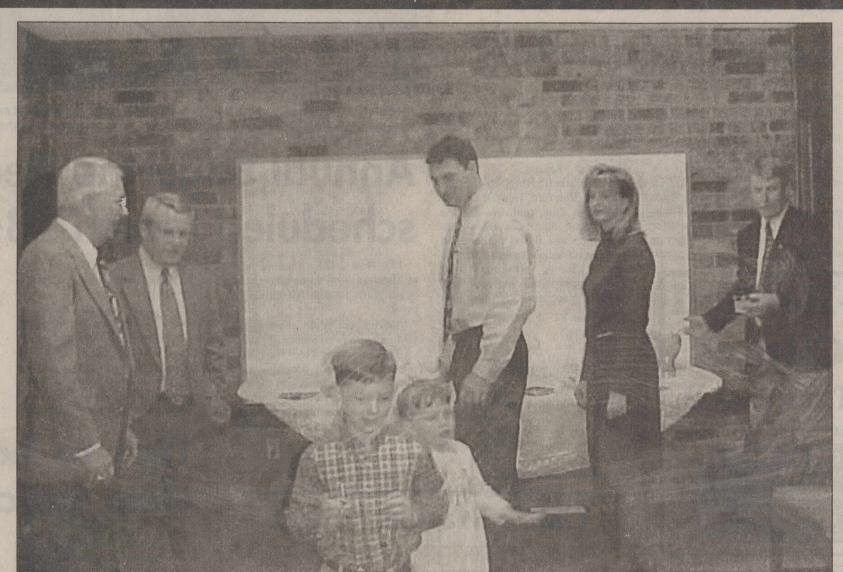
The Paint Creek Seniors will hold a chicken fried steak dinner Sun., Feb. 27 from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Paint Creek School cafeteria. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$4 for children. Contact any Paint Creek Senior student for Lickets or call Mrs. Shackelford at 864-2782. Tickets are available at the door.

#### **Immunizations**

The Texas Dept. of Health in Stamford will hold an immunization clinic Thurs., Feb. 17 at the American Legion Hall in Haskell. Clinic times are 1 to 4 p.m. For more information, call 915-773-5681.

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BANK OPEN HOUSE-Officials and employees of the Rule Banking Center, a branch of Hamlin National Bank, greeted customers

and friends during an open house reception held by the bank Sun., Feb. 13, to thank them for their continued loyalty.

## Teague to play in All-Star Classic

Haskell Indian, Justin Teague, has been named to the North team in the inaugural Big Country All-Star Football Classic game to be played Sat., June 3, at Shotwell Stadium in Abilene.

The son of Jeff and Lisa Teague, Justin was one of 70 players representing 38 area schools who were introduced at a press conference at the Ramada Inn Sat.,

They were selected from among 100 players nominated by their head coaches from schools from an approximate 75 mile radius around Abilene, to participate in the allstar game which will benefit the Big Country Chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

The selection committee was comprised of the eight all-star

coaches, former McMurry College coach, Wilford Moore, retired Abilene Reporter-News sports writer, Bill Hart, and radio sportscaster, Jimmy Pogue.

The two 35-man squads will include eight players from Class 5A, twelve from 4A, seventeen from 3A, fourteen from 2A, seventeen from Class A and two players from Abilene Christian High School's six-man team. Sixteen additional players were selected as alternates and will participate if a roster spot becomes available due to injury or other circumstances.

The North team will be coached by Steve Warren of Abilene High and assistants Hank Dowell of Sweetwater, Denny Faith of Albany and Gerald James of Colorado City.

Hugh Sandifer of Abilene Wylie will be the head coach for the South, along with assistants Steve Freeman of Brownwood, Randy Quisenberry of Abilene Cooper and Danny Slaughter of Ballinger.

Teams will report for two-a-day workouts on Tues., May 30. A Sharing the Victory Banquet honoring the players and local FCA huddle members will be held Friday night, June 2.

Hall of Fame coach, Gordon Wood of Brownwood, will present two Gordon Wood Most Valuable Player Awards, honoring the top players in the game.

The game will be televised and shown on delay tape by KTAB-TV of Abilene. A live radio broadcast will be produced in Abilene by KWKC 1340 AM and will be heard throughout the area on the Big Country All-Star Classic Radio

## **Emergency CRP** grazing to begin

Congressman Charlie Stenholm announced that the U. S. Department of Agriculture has authorized emergency grazing of certain Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) acreage in Callahan, Coke, Concho, Fisher, Haskell, Howard, Jones, Knox, Mitchell, Nolan, Runnels, Sterling, Stonewall, Taylor and Young Counties.

Emergency grazing has been authorized from February 4 through April 30, 2000. The required payment reduction is 10 percent of the per acre annual rental payment times the number of aces totally grazed in FY 2000.

"Given the drought, low price and all the other problems facing producers these days, I am pleased that the Department has taken this action and I am hopeful this will bring some relief to the folks who are struggling to hang on until conditions improve," said Stenholm.

Those counties contiguous to an approved county are not approved for CRP grazing and only livestock operations located within an approved county are eligible for emergency grazing of CRP acreage. CRP participants with acreage in an approved county may lease grazing privileges to any livestock producer located in an approved

All CRP participants in an approved county are eligible to graze eligible CRP acreage regardless of the degree of production loss suffered by the individual producer.

Emergency grazing shall be confined to the acreage physically located within an approved county regardless of where the headquarters for the farm is located. An entire CRP field, which is partially located in an approved county and partially located in another county, may be grazed.

CRP participants must either leave at least 25 percent of each field or contiguous fields ungrazed for wildlife, or graze all of the acreage at no more than 75 percent of the stocking rate, as determined by the Natural Resources and Conservation Service (NRCS).

Anyone interested in participating in this program should contact their local Farm Service Agency (FSA) office.

## Car Show to include many

Volunteer Fire Dept. Car Show and Swap Meet will be held on Sat. and Sun., March 18 and 19, sponsored by Bailey Toliver Chevrolet and Bill Wilson Ford Motor Company. With good early response already coming in, the event is shaping up to be a major show, promising something of interest and fun for everyone. There will be no charge for spectators to view the show.

JUSTIN TEAGUE

To accommodate the large number of entries expected this year, the site for the event has been moved to the Haskell County

Along with the twelve classes of vehicles included in this year's show, there will be various vendor \$15.00. booths, a Kids Tractor Pull, Hot Wheel Races for Kids, with trophies awarded for first and second places, and a raffle for a kidsized miniature pedal drive fire truck with "Haskell Fire Dept." painted on the side. Tickets for chances for the custom vehicle are \$5.00 each or five for \$20.00. Games such as "piston toss" are planned for the older spectators on

An added treat for viewers will be a "cruise" by all of the car show entries on Saturday evening from

The 4th Annual Haskell 5:00 to 7:00, taking them through parts of Haskell and on a circle tour of neighboring towns of Munday, Knox City, Rochester, Rule, Stamford and back to the Haskell County Courthouse square for refreshments.

Booths for any type of merchandise to sell or swap will be available for \$20.00 each and are to be set up at 8:00 a.m. Saturday.

The National Kids Pedal Tractor Pullers of Wichita Falls will bring the kid-sized tractors here for the youngsters competition which begins at 10:00 a.m. Saturday.

Registration for entries in the Car Show on Sunday, will be from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m., south of the Civic Center. The fee for entries is

Judging will be at 1:30 p.m., with trophies awarded at 3:30 p.m. Sunday. Plaques and cash will be given for Best of Show, \$250.00; People's Choice (selected by the public) \$125.00; Farthest Distance Traveled, \$125.00. First, second, third and fourth place trophies will be awarded in each class. Altogether, over \$4,000.00 will be awarded in cash and prizes.

The entry classes for this year's Car Show are:

Cars Pre-'64; Cars '65 and up; Antique Cars, Trucks thru '50;

Street Rods Pre- '49; Race Cars; Older Pickups Pre- '73; Pickups '74 and up; Antique Tractors; Motorcycles; Restoration in Progress; Jr. Dragsters; and Mini

Registration forms for the show may be obtained from any Haskell Volunteer Fireman. For more information, call Coy Scoggins at 940-864-3694, or Randy Shaw at 940-864-2023.

#### Maidens, **Lady Cats** in play-offs

The Haskell Maidens basketball team. Runner-up in District 9-2A season play with a record of 21-7, was paired to meet Paradise at 8:00 p.m. Tuesday in Class 2A play off at Cisco High School. Results were not available at press time.

Clinching the District 9-2A title with a 22-8 record, the Olney girls team had a bye in the play-offs.

The Rule girls basketball team, first-half winner of District 23-A. lost to Benjamin in a playoff in Seymour, Thurs, night to determine first and second place in the district. As second place winner the Rule team met District 24-A Champion, Throckmorton.



FAVORITES-Nikki Wallace was named Basketball Sweetheart and Craig Cunningham was named Basketball Hero during the In-Photo by Kis dian's game Friday.

### **Obituaries**

#### **Hazel Mae Thomas**

Funeral services for Hazel Mae Thomas, 81, of Haskell were held Thurs., Feb. 10 at First Baptist Church in Haskell with Rev. Kevin Hall officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery.

Mrs. Thomas died Tues., Feb. 8 at a local nursing

Born Dec. 25, 1918 in Lueders, she was the daughter of G. C. and Verona McCown. She married Adell Thomas Aug. 18, 1964 in Bronte. He preceded her in death. She worked as a hairdresser and homemaker. She was a member of First Baptist Church, Lydia Sunday School

Class and Josselet Extension Homemakers Club

Survivors include one son, Thomas Wayne Williamson of Wichita Falls; three brothers, A. K. McCown of Thrall, John McCown of Knox City and a twin Harold McCown of Wichita Falls; two sisters, Juanita Hughes of Abilene and Katherine Locke of Wichita Falls; one grandson, Nicholas E. Williamson and one granddaughter. Rebecca K. Williamson of Wichita Falls.

Memorials may be made to the Hospice of the Big

## County-wide area receives **Enterprise Zone designation**

The Texas Department of Economic Development has approved an application from the cities of Haskell, Rule, Rochester, Weinert, Stamford and Haskell County to designate areas of the communities as a joint enterprise

Jeff Moseley, the department's executive director, said the sevenyear designation will allow the communities to offer incentives to

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businesses to locate or expand in the zone in exchange for investing capital and creating new jobs. At least 25 percent of the jobs created must be filled by residents of the zone or people who are economically disadvantaged.

Mosely said the Enterprise Zone program was created by the Texas Legislature as a means to offer incentives to attract new or expanding businesses to

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economically distressed areas of economies," he said.

Weinert, Stamford, Haskell County Enterprise Zone qualifies for the designation due to a three-year population loss of 4.4 percent and having been declared a federal disater It is projected that development within the zone will result in more than 150 new jobs investment.

State Sen. Tom Haywood of Wichita Falls, whose district have worked long and hard to nurture their own economic growth. The Texas Enterprise Zone program is one way in which they will now be able to do just that. I hope that this program will be a catalyst for

Texas. "In turn, the program encourages these businesses to create and retain jobs while investing capital into their local

The Haskell, Rule, Rochester, and about \$2.75 million in capital

includes Haskell, said, "These cities such growth in the future.'



RECEPTION-Friends and officials of the Rule Banking Center visit and enjoy refreshments during the Sunday afternoon reception held by the bank in appreciation of their loyal customers.

## **Annual Sagerton Hee Haw** scheduled March 23-25

to Sagerton with some changes in ticket sales for the March 23-25

Tickets will be \$4, marking the first increase in a number of years.

The Sagerton Hee Haw is a music and comedy program in its 30th year with proceeds used to maintain the community center, which is the location for the show.

The Thursday evening performance is reserved for senior citizen organizations and groups. The cafeteria will offer sandwiches,

plate lunch will be served Friday and Saturday nights. The cafeteria opens at 5:30 p.m.

Music and singing starts at 7 p.m. in the auditorium and the program begins at 8 p.m.

Tickets for the senior citizen night go on sale at 9 a.m. Feb. 24 via telephone (940-997-2688).

Tickets for Friday and Saturday

nights go on sale at 5 p.m. March 7 at the community center. Telephone calls will not be taken March 7, but will be accepted March 8.

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Mail requests for tickets should not be postmarked before March 1. Requests may be sent to Dorothy Toney, Rt. 2, Box 10A, Sagerton, Texas 79548.

### Tips to help stop auto theft Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 1,224 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., Feb. 12, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

Stocker cattle 2-5 higher; feeder cattle steady; packer cows steady;

stocker cows 15-20 higher. Cows: fat, .34-.38; cutters, .36-42; canners, .25-.32.

Bulls: bologna, .45-.52; feeder, .68-.76; utility .38-.44.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.25-1.40; 300-400 lbs., 1.10-1.38; 400-500 lbs., .95-1.30; 500-600 lbs., .85-.96; 600-700 lbs., .83-.94; 700-800 lbs., .81-.86; 800-up lbs., .68-

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.00-1.18; 300-400 lbs., .90-1.05; 400-500 lbs., .82-.95; 500-600 lbs., .78-.87; 600-up lbs., .58-.85.

Bred Heifers: medium frame,

Bred Cows: young to middle aged, 5/5-680; aged or small, 430-

Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, 650-740; aged or small, 600-

## Rath City is Society topic

The Haskell County Historical and Genealogical Society held its meeting Feb. 7 at the First National Bank Community Room. Bill Neely spoke on Rath City in Stonewall County. The city contained a trading post and hide yard for the buffalo hunters in the

period around 1876 to 1879. Attending the meeting were Wanda Ham, Johnny and Teresa Scoggins, Son and Eula Peters, Jack and Margaret Kittley, R. S. and Betty Sanders, Bill Neely, Dolin Hughes, Jerri Buerger, Maxine Miller, Martha Jarred, Ernestine C. Herren and June

in any community, but using good judgment can help lower that risk. The costs of theft are an

unfortunate occurrence that your auto insurer is equipped to handle. An industry-wide annual cost of \$72 million is estimated in Texas alone. Regrettably, consumers feel those costs in the form of higher insurance rates. By protecting your car against theft you can also protect your pocketbook.

Auto theft can strike at any time

These simple tips can aid in avoiding theft.

•Starting with the obvious, you should lock your doors and take your keys. Many vehicles are stolen because of this type of carelessness.

•Do not hide a second set of keys. Thieves know all the good hiding places.

•Park in well lighted areas and attended lots. Give attendants the ignition/door key only. If that key opens the glove box or trunk, you should get the locks changed. Limiting the amount of information you let strangers see about you, your home and your car will increase your safety.

•Do not leave valuables or items you don't want to be stolen in open view and seal all windows when you park. You don't want to tempt crooks.

•File the title to your car at home and keep your registration in your wallet. Leaving documentation in your car give thieves the appearance of legitimacy when they attempt to sell your car.

•Never leave your car running while you slip away - a thief only needs a few seconds to steal a car that is unlocked and running.

•Drop business cards or identification inside vehicle doors to aid police in identifying you as the real owner of the vehicle. You can also engrave personal information on expensive accessories like car stereos.

•Put your VIN number on different parts of your vehicle with an engraving tool or marker to help police trace parts of your stolen

If your car is stolen, contact the police immediately. Ask if someone witnessed the crime and make sure the police gets names and statements of those who saw the incident. Notify your insurance representative to report your stolen vehicle and seek steps to recover your vehicle.

#### Students in the News

Diplomas were awarded to approximately 3,500 Texas A&M University graduates during fall commencement ceremonies.

Among those receiving degrees were: Philip Blake Henshaw and

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Jennifer Donene Comedy. Both received a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural Development and are from Haskell.

Texas A&M University has named its honor students for the 1999 fall semester, recognizing several thousand students for outstanding academic performance.

The Dean's Honor Roll recognizes students taking at least 15 semester hours who have maintained at least a 3.75 grade point ratio (GPR) out of a possible 4.0 during the most recent grading

Included on the Dean's Honor Roll is Bree Burgess, a freshman biology major from Haskell.

A second designation, "Distinguished Student," recognizes students who earned a 3.25 to 3.75 GPR while taking at least 12 hours.

Among those recognized is Tiffany Cadenhead, a freshman biology major from Haskell.

Richard Brown from Haskell has been named to the Dean's Honor List for the fall 1999 semester at South Plains College, Levelland.

Students named to the Dean's Honor List must maintain a minimum 3.25 GPA or full-time college-level work with no failing grades.



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## **Around Town**

By Joyce Hawkins

Visiting with George and Faye Gray on Sat. was their daughter Judy Hicks of Abilene.

Kay Henry, Estalynn Liles. Carol Grand and Ernestine Herren went to Albany on Thurs. They visited the museum, had lunch at the Bee Hive Cafe and had a very enjoyable day.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilda Medford visited her sister. Jeanebeth Keraham, in Galveston over the weekend.

We are glad to hear that David Carver, husband of Sharla Drinnon Carver and their son are improving at home after their accident

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Woodard went to Abilene on Sat. to visit their daughter and family. They watched granddaughter Lauren Mae Franks play basketball. She attends Franklin Middle School.

Dr. Barry O'Neal of Irving visited two days with his mom Gladys and took her to Wichita Falls to visit her sister Francis

Mr. and Mrs. Arvil McFadden visited his brother and wife C. W. and Linda Gail McFadden in Bryson on Sun. They came back by Graham to visit his mother Lorene McFadden at the Oaks Care

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**MILAN MATIC - JANA PAYNE** 

## Payne, Matic to marry April 29

Jana Diane Payne of Lubbock and Milan Matt Matic of Austin, have announced their engagement to be married April 29, in a ceremony inside the 4 Bar K, at the Kershner Ranch.

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Parents of the bride are Claude Payne and Janice Payne, both of Haskell. She is a graduate o Haskell High School and received an Associate Degree in Radiologic Technology from Midwestern State University, She is employed by

the University Medical Center in Lubbock

The bridegroom's parents are Matt Matic of Los Angeles. California, the late Rose Matic-Leigh and David Leigh of Clemson, South Carolina. A graduate of Daniel High School in South Carolina, he attended Texas Tech University, where he received a Bachelor of Science Degree with a double major in Computer Science and Electrical Engineering. He is employed in Austin by Solection.

## Homespun Club meets

The Homespun Family and Community Education Club held its meeting in the County Extension Kitchen with ten members, one guest and Agent Lou Gilly present.

The business meeting included details about cookbook sales, District Spring Meeting in Weatherford and Tri-County Rally

The group going to Weatherford will leave Haskell on March 3 at 6:30 a.m. from the extension office. Contact Lena Tidwell to

The group enjoyed an informative presentation by Lou Gilly, entitled "I Have the Right to Decide." Those who feel they have their business in order in case of an unforeseen event, may need to check twice, as sometimes it comes as a shock in an emergency. You need a durable power of

attorney for health care as well as a living will. If you have directives written down somewhere, be sure the family members know of this, as a survey shows 70% of family knows, whereas 30% have no idea of your wishes, should an emergency occur. Car wrecks, injuries, accidents or strokes can leave you with life-threatening consequences, so all members of the family need to know what procedures you desire and that your wishes will be carried out. You do not need a professional to write these directives and a copy can even be found on the Internet, but the time is now for action on your

Refreshments of homemade pies were served by Frances Fischer, using the Valentine theme.

The next meeting will be March 9 and all interested persons are

## Robert and Cathy Bartley of

Haskell and Misti Bartley of Lubbock are proud to announce the birth of their first grandson and nephew, Caleb Josselet Wheat.

Caleb was born Wed., Feb. 2 in Wichita Falls. He weighed 8 lbs., 2 oz. and was 21 inches long.

Caleb's proud parents are Chad and Christi Wheat of Wichita

Maternal great grandmothers are Jerry Josselet and Katherine Bartley

brothers, Terry Butler of Knox City

and Tommy Butler of Haskell. The

ring bearer was Harrison Martin of

Ushers were Rob Lloyd of

Larry Wolz of Abilene was the

The bride is a graduate of Cooper

High School. She received a

Bachelor of Science Degree in

Chemistry from Hardin-Simmons

University in 1994 and is working

toward a Master of Education

degree. She is employed by the

Abilene Independent School

Haskell High School, and is

currently attending Hardin-

employed in Abilene by Avis Lube

The couple will reside in

Simmons University.

and Second Baptist Church.

The bridegroom is a graduate of

He is

Abilene, brother-in-law of the

bride, and Michael Bailey of

Weatherford, cousin of the bride.

organist.

District.

of Haskell Paternal grandparents are Kitty and Gary Arrington of Wichita Falls and Mike and Nora Wheat of Burkburnett. Paternal great grandmother is Novelle Havis of

## Mrs. Hearn to celebrate 102<sup>nd</sup> birthday Sunday

Patrick, Butler

repeat vows

Nikki Michelle Patrick and

Clarence Eugene Butler, both of

Abilene, were married Dec., 19 at

the Logsdon Chapel at Hardin-

Simmons University, with Mike

Greenfield of Abilene First Baptist

Parents of the bride are Mr. and

The bridegroom is the son of

Mrs. Harold Patrick of Abilene.

Grandparents are Edward Scott and

Doris Butler and the late Gene

Butler of Haskell. Grandparents are

Mr. and Mrs. William Butler of

of San Angelo. Bridesmaids were

Tyra Lloyd, sister of the bride, and

was the flower girl. Laken Patrick

of Abilene was the book attendant

was Zachary Martin of Haskell.

Groomsmen were the groom's

Jennifer Beall, both of Abilene.

Both are cousins of the bride.

Maid of honor was Hsiao Chang

Lauren Prewitt of Weatherford

Serving the groom as best man

Church officiating.

Dorothy Patrick of Waco.

Mrs. Minnie Matilda Hearn, formerly of Rochester and now a resident of Haskell Healthcare Center, will celebrate her 102nd birthday Feb. 20.

Sale good

Mon.,

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Friends and family are invited to come by from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sun. afternoon to wish her a happy birthday and share birthday cake and

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## Becky Tubbs brings Art Club program

The Brazos West Art Club met Tues., Feb. 8 at the Community Room

Becky Tubbs, Anson artist and hometown girl, was the guest artist. She used watercolors with pastels. A short business session was

held by the president, Martha Spitzer.

If you are interested in art, please come to the lessons; they

## Hospital

Admissions Sylvia Roberts, Haskell Julia Ruiz, Haskell Juanita Bevel, Haskell Dismissals

Charles Smith, Exa Penman, Henry Baxter, Mildred Graves, Clara Gary, Annie Lusk, Mattie M. Felker

are interesting and free. The group meets once a month at the Community Room.

Those present were: Dorothy Brown, Betty Berry, Martha Spitzer, Clara Gholson, Fern Livengood, Jenny Lyckman, Bobbie Harrison, Doris Reeves Jordan, Anita Herren, Ruth Ann Klose and Gladys O'Neal.



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## **OPINION**



#### HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN - Texas Attorney General John Cornyn last week warned governmental bodies against attempting to delay the release of information that is obviously public by requesting an open-records decision from his office.

All information compiled, maintained and stored by a governmental body in Texas is presumed to be open to the public, unless a specific exception ap-

A citizen who requests copies of public information should receive it promptly, state law

Cornyn said promptly means "release as soon as possible under the circumstances, that is, within a reasonable time, without delay."

A governmental body may withhold information it believes should remain confidential, but it must seek a decision from the attorney general within 10 business days.

Due in part to the great number of requests for a decision, it may take up to 55 working days for the attorney general's office to render an open records decision.

Examples of governmental bodies are state agencies, boards and commissions, counties, cities, hospital districts, utility districts, school districts and public colleges and universities.

When Cornyn renders a decision on whether certain information is available or not, the decision applies to local government and state agencies, he said. No-Shrimping Zones Wanted

Hundreds of Kemp's ridley turtles die every year from getting caught in shrimpers' trawl nets along the Texas coast.

Last week, members of the Sierra Club and the Environmental Defense Fund submitted a proposal to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department seeking a year-round, no-shrimping zone on a thin strip of coastal water where the turtles are likely to be.

The requested no-shrimping zone is 42 feet wide along the entire coast, but 60 feet wide off Padre Island National Seashore during turtle mating season, March 1 through Aug. 31. **Documents to Be Preserved** 

Texas Land Commissioner David Dewhurst last week announced an initiative to preserve historical maps and documents

housed at the Land Office and place images of them on the Internet for easier public access.

The Land Office, he said, is the constitutional home of more than 35 million documents and maps detailing land grants and transactions dating back to the 1700s, when Texas was part of

The two-pronged initiative, "Adopt-A-Map" and "Adopt-A-Document" asks individuals, schools, businesses and civic and professional organizations to donate funds for the conservation project.

Under the Texas Natural Resources Code, the Land Office may accept donations from the public to conserve the maps. Donations are tax-deductible.

'Smokers' Can Be Reported Anyone who sees a vehicle releasing dirty smoke from its tailpipe for more than 10 consecutive seconds can take ac-

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission takes anonymous complaints at 1-800-453-SMOG.

Be prepared to give the Texas license plate number of the smoking vehicle, date and time observed, the location (street or intersection), and city.

Emissions of one poorly maintained, smoke-belching car equal those of 28 properly functioning ones, the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission says.

Other Highlights

Texas A&M University plans to spend \$1 million to investigate the bonfire collapse on the College Station campus Nov. 18 in which 12 people died. Nearly half of the amount is earmarked for a business intelligence and investigation firm.

Concordia University at Austin, affiliated with the Luthern Church — Missouri Synod, is the first higher education institution in Texas to distribute laptop computers to its students. Each of Concordia's 500 full-time students recently was assigned a new Dell laptop computer valued at \$2,700.

■ The Texas Department of Criminal Justice on Feb. 4 adopted a policy that all offenders and persons visiting offenders are prohibited from possessing or using any tobacco products on prison premises.

Back the Indians!

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## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago February 15, 1990

Trina Fry of Rochester has been named a "Distinguished Student" at Tarleton State University for the fall semester. She had a grade point average of 3.53 while completing 18 hours.

Paint Creek Boy Scout Troop 148 was represented during the annual Report to the State ceremonies in Austin on Feb. 10 by Hans Overton, Marcus Overton and Casey Thompson.

The Progressive Study club met for their regular meeting with president Mary Kaigler calling the meeting to order and welcoming new members, Robbie Harris and Fave Stiewert.

The Haskell Maidens beat Hawley 62-47. Missy Davis contributed 13 points and Sheila Unger scored 29 points for the

> 20 Years Ago February 14, 1980

A young Paint Creek Lady Pirates basketball team has won the 17-B district title for the first time in fourteen years.

The date of the Sagerton Hee-Haw has been set for March 21 and 22 at the Sagerton Community

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clark of Sagerton hosted a Hunter's Supper in their home. The menu consisted of wild turkey, duck, venison, pheasant and fish with the

Q: Just recently, students were

arrested for planting a bomb in a

Texas school. I remember hearing

earlier in the year that you had

formed a task force to study school

violence. Is the task force still working

number of episodes of school

violence, I joined with the Texas

**Education Commissioner to form** 

the Attorney General's School

Violence Prevention Task Force.

The Task Force held its last public

meeting early this month and is now

have a crisis plan in place for every

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30 Years Ago February 12, 1970

Sue Hager, 15-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Hager of Weinert, showed the 898-pound Hereford judged champion steer of the Haskell County Livestock

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morrel have purchased Sam's Grocery, 700 S. Ave. E and are now operating the business under the name of South Side Grocery.

The Center Point H. D. Club met in regular session in the home of Mrs. W. E. Johnson. Mrs. H. E. Bland served as hostess. Two visitors and ten members were present.

Weinert's undefeated girls won 56-55 despite Lois Byrd's 43 points for Rochester. Donna Adams led Weinert with 37 points.

> 40 Years Ago February 18, 1960

A. M. Turner of Haskell and J. L. Wyatt of Rochester returned the first of the week from a trip to Washington, D. C., as Haskell County delegates on the annual Texas Farmers Union Washington

The Owl Club met at Lane-Felker with Kay Wiseman and Suzanne Lane as hostesses. A style show was presented with Kay Culbertson, Jan Herren, Suzanne Weaver and Kay Wiseman as models.

The Dorcas Sunday School Class of the South Side Baptist Chapel met in the home of Mrs.

Ask the AG

facilitate plans and programs that

Force include legislators, teachers,

principals, superintendents, parents

and law enforcement officials from

around the state. I have included

representatives from the entire

community in this project because

Members of the 22-person Task

can prevent school violence.

Doyle D. Johnson for the monthly

The Haskell Garden Club met in the Community Room of the Haskell National Bank for election of officers. The new president is Mrs. Earl Atchison.

50 Years Ago February 16, 1950

Members of the Haskell Volunteer Fire Department were issued new raincoats and hats at the conclusion of the regular semimonthly practice.

The Haskell eighth graders met and elected new officers. Lena Mae Rueffer was elected president; Betty Lynn Waldrip, vice president; and Shirley Henson, secretary and

Martha Meadors, student at A. C. C., Abilene, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. W. Meadors.

Center Point H. D. Club met in the club house with Helen Wiseman as hostess. Roll call was answered by 14 members.

> 90 Years Ago February 12, 1910

On last Sat. afternoon Yettie Cummins entertained about 25 of her little friends on her birthday. Various games were played after which candy making was enjoyed.

D. M. Cogdell has returned from a visit to Mineral Wells, Fort Worth and Dallas.

Mrs. Bennett of Seymour was in Haskell this week organizing a Rebekah Lodge. Mrs. J. W. Meadors has been entertaining Mrs. Bennett while she is in the city.

By John Cornyn, Attorney General

## Sales tax receipts show drop

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander recently delivered \$316.7 million in monthly sales tax payments to 1,105 Texas cities and 119 counties, a 0.4 percent decrease compared to the \$318.2 million allocated to cities and counties in February 1999. So far this year, sales tax rebates to cities and counties are up 6.6 percent compared to the first two months of 1999.

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"The new year is off to a good start, as Texas' steady economic growth generates new jobs, high consumer confidence and strong retail sales," Comptroller Rylander

This month's payments to cities and counties include sales taxes collected by monthly filers in December and reported to the Comptroller in January, plus quarterly returns for sales in October, November and December and returns from annual filers for the entire year of 1999. Rylander delivered monthly

sales tax rebates totaling \$293.6 million to Texas cities, virtually identical to last February's payments. Rebates of \$23 million to Texas counties are down 6.2 percent compared to those paid in February 1999. Another \$10.3 million went to

47 special purpose districts around the state. Texas' six Metropolitan Transit Authorities and two City Transit Departments received a total of \$113.3 million.

The Comptroller's next sales tax allocation is scheduled to be delivered on Friday, March 10,

Haskell County had a 26.50 percent decrease for February, 2000 of \$39,026.60 in comparison to \$53,099.60 for February, 1999. 2000 payments to date of \$62,562.74 reflect a 8.34 percent decrease over 1999 payments to date of \$68,258.53. The City of Haskell had a 28.08

percent decrease for February, 2000 of \$35,171.02 in comparison to \$48,904.80 for February, 1999. 2000 payments to date of \$57,749.93 reflect a 8.69 percent decrease over 1999 payments to date of \$63,252.06.

O'Brien had a 19.99 percent decrease for February, 2000 of \$164.53 in comparison to \$205.64 for February, 1999. 2000 payments to date of \$206.03 reflect a 9.76 percent decrease over 1999 payments to date of \$228.33.

Rochester had a 32.58 percent decrease for February, 2000 of \$699.81 in comparison to \$1,038.07 for February, 1999. 2000 payments to date of \$1,035.22 reflect a 19.52 percent decrease over 1999 payments to date of \$1,286.44.

Rule had a .71 percent increase for February, 2000 of \$2,456.52 in comparison to \$2,439.06 for February, 1999. 2000 payments to date of \$2,997.53 reflect a 2.94 percent increase over 1999 payments to date of \$2,911.64. Weinert had a 4.43 percent

increase for February, 2000 of \$534.72 in comparison to \$512.03 for February, 1999. 2000 payments to date of \$574.03 reflect a 1.03 percent decrease over 1999 payments to date of \$580.06.

#### Marriage Licenses

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

Waylon Shane Stout of Weinert and Keri Jolene Pearson of Anson Keith Ronn Hannsz of Haskell

and Derinda Amonett Gentry of Clyde Tommy Lee Matthews of

Haskell and June N. Michaud of Iowa Park Dennis Lee Stewert of Stamford and Tiffany Tenneill Loving of

Haskell John Daniel Carrasco and Carolyn Puebla Navarrette, both of Rule

Bernard Scott Kimmel and Debra Kay Brown, both of Haskell Nelson Hawkins and Sharon Kay Roberson, both of Knox City

I believe that students need to hear anti-violence messages from all directions.

Input from experts At the meetings, Task Force members heard from noted experts on school-violence related programs. Rather than re-iterate the problems that have occurred, the meetings have highlighted successful prevention and intervention programs that are already in use.

The Task Force is divided into three groups that approach school violence prevention from different perspectives. One group focuses on student and parent issues such as peer pressure and parental awareness. The second group focuses on school issues such as conflict resolution, crisis management and security policies. The final group works on community-wide issues such as violence in the media, gangs and the need for safe after-school and weekend activities.

Final Report

Now that the public meetings have concluded, Task Force members are drafting a final report. Based on information gathered at the meetings, the final report will contain recommendations for school districts to help address issues related to school violence. The report will contain information on possible warning signs that can signal violent behavior. The Task Force will release the

report in the spring of 2000, and it will be distributed to every school in Texas.

For further information To find out more about the

Attorney General's School Violence Prevention Task Force, contact the Juvenile Crime Intervention Division of my office at (512) 463-4024.

This division provides training to communities on issues related to juvenile crime such as gang awareness. Juvenile Crime publications are also available on the Office of the Attorney General Web site at www.oag.state.tx.us in the "Criminal Justice" section.

Only by working together can we make our schools safe places where our children can learn and grow. Their future, and ours, depends upon our success.

## Inspect playgrounds for child's safety

A fort. A castle. The jungle. Wide open spaces. Just plain fun. That's a playground in a child's

But for adults looking over play equipment at schools or in parks, their gaze should be focused on safety, according to the Texas Department of Health (TDH). Nationwide, more than 200,000 children need hospital care for playground-related injuries each year. About 15 youngsters may die annually.

"Most injuries-up to 60 percent-occur when a child falls from play equipment onto hard surfacing," said Mike Ward of TDH's Product Safety Division. "Adequate protective surfacing under and a minimum of 6 feet around the edge of playground equipment is probably the most critical safety factor on playgrounds."

According to Ward, hard surfacing materials such as asphalt or concrete are not suitable for use under and around playground equipment of any height. Earth surfaces such as soil and hardpacked dirt also are not recommended. "Engineered wood fibers, double-shredded bark mulch, wood chips, fine gravel, fine sand or safety-tested material such as rubber mats are types of surfacing materials that offer the best protection," Ward said. "But depth of the loose fill surfacing is also extremely important."

Other safety issues include poorly designed playgrounds, inadequately maintained equipment and play areas not suited to the size and age of children using them.

Product Safety staff has developed a public playground safety audit form that includes 31 major playground hazard areas. One major hazard area, for instance, is head entrapment. "Openings in equipment should measure less than 3 1/2 inches or more than 9 inches to prevent a child's body from passing through but trapping a child's head," said Terry Johnson of TDH's Product Safety Division.

Other problems to look for include:

•Equipment placed too close to

each other, to fences or to walkways;

•Open S-hooks on swings or

gaps at the top of slides that could catch children or clothing;
•Broken or unstable play

•Broken or unstable play equipment;

•Sharp points, corners or edges on equipment;

•Parts of equipment that could pinch or crush the fingers or toes of a child;

of a child;
•Rust, rot, cracks or splinters;
•Equipment that needs handrails,
guardrails or protective barriers to

prevent falls;

•Trash on the ground such as broken bottles, tree limbs or sharp

broken bottles, tree limbs or sharp objects a child could fall on and be injured.

The TDH Product Safety

Division recently started a statewide Public Playground Safety Train the Trainer program. Through this new training program, staff hopes to put a large trained force of knowledgeable public school district maintenance personnel on school playgrounds.

"The intent of this program is to provide classroom instruction to Texas public school district maintenance supervisors along with information about using the TDH Playground Safety Audit form," said Charles Branton, director of the Product Safety Division

"Completion of the Train the Trainer instruction, including information on how to identify major playground hazards and how to correctly use the TDH audit form, should allow school district maintenance supervisors to train their school district maintenance staff in inspecting playgrounds and eliminating hazards."

These half-day sessions are being conducted through the Texas Education Agency and the Regional Education Service Centers around the state over the next year. The training, which includes a slide show illustrating equipment and field hazards, is based on the CPSC Handbook for Public Playground

State law requires that playground equipment and surfacing purchased with public funds after Sept. 1, 1997, be substantially compliant with the

All deadlines are 5 p.m. Monday

1994 CPSC Handbook for Public Playground Safety. No current regulations require fixing hazards on playgrounds installed before that date. "However," Ward said, "we believe that through teamwork with trained public school district personnel, the removal of playground hazards, regardless of date of installation, will go a long way toward protecting Texas school children."

Individuals can use the CPSC Handbook to spot problems areas at school, in the neighborhood and at parks. If potential hazards are found, people should contact the owner of the playground. For a free copy of the CPSC Handbook for Public Playground Safety, publication number 325, send a postcard with your name, address and name of publication to U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, D. C. 20207; call the CPSC at 1-800-638-2772; or visit the CPSC Web site at www.cpsc.gov.

10-Point Public Playground Safety Checklist

Use this simple CPSC checklist to help make sure your local community or school playground is a safe place for children to play.

1. Make sure surfaces around the playground equipment have at least 12 inches of wood chips, mulch, sand or pea gravel or mats made of safety-tested rubber or rubber-like materials.

2. Check that protective surfacing extends at least 6 feet in all directions from play equipment. For swings, be sure surfacing extends, both in back and front, twice the height of the suspending bar.

3. Make sure play structures ore than 30 inches high are spaced at least 9 feet apart.

4. Check for dangerous hardware such as open S-hooks or bolt ends that stick out

5. Make sure spaces that could trap children, such as openings in guardrails or between ladder rungs, measure less than 3 1/2 inches or more than 9 inches.

6. Check for sharp points or edges on equipment.

7. Look for tripping hazards such as exposed concrete bases, tree stumps and rocks.

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8. Make sure elevated surfaces such as platforms and ramps have guardrails to prevent falls.

9. Check playgrounds regularly to see that equipment and surfacing are in good condition.

10. Carefully supervise children on playgrounds to be sure they are safe.



RESERVE CHAMPION DUROC-Cody Byrd, a 4-H member from Rochester, exhibited the champion in the Jr. Barrow Show at the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show in Fort Worth.

## Pre-paid calling cards have benefits

by Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
At almost any check-out
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At almost any check-out counter, consumers can buy prepaid calling cards. Now consumers can go to the Web and and create a virtual pre-paid calling card where the buyer decides how many minutes they want to buy for the various rate options presented.

Pre-paid calling cards have several benefits. They can be used on any touch-tone phone and they help consumers budget their long distance calling expenses. Some avoid a monthly service charge for making long distance calls from home or when away from home. Calling cards can make great gifts for children going to camp or leaving for school or careers. They can the gifts for parents or grandparents who enjoy phone visits but won't spend money for long distance calls.

Consumer protection agencies are taking a look at ways to protect against calling card problems.

Look for key information on the card or Web page before making a purchase. What is the maximum charge per minute? Is there an approved surcharge for linking to the host 800 number? Is there an expiration date? If so, will you use the total calling time before the

expiration date. If not, you lose the money paid for remaining minutes. What are their recharge policies?

Consumers should treat a prepaid calling card like cash. If you lose it, you cannot get your money reimbursed. Someone watching you use the card can note your pin or personal identification number and use the card if they steal it from you.

Technology is bringing many new consumer options to the market place. Using new technology can be a satisfying or dissatisfying choice. Before buying a new product or service, know your needs, the amount you are willing to spend and how the product could benefit you or create challenges for you. For help with consumer problems related to calling cards, contact the Federal Trade Commission.

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## Make your home fall-proof

Studies indicate that falls are the leading cause of hospitalization and emergency room visits for children—but they can be prevented.

"Never leave your baby unattended on a couch, bed or changing table," said Dr. Donna Sutherland, an emergency-room physician at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston, "Also, remember to strap children into highchairs and strollers."

Use safety gates at the top and bottom of stairs to protect infants and toddlers. Avoid accordion gates with large openings that can trap a child's neck.

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## MESSAGE TO VOTERS

To the Voters of the 39<sup>th</sup> Judicial District:

I would like to take this opportunity to ask for your vote, on March 14th in the Democratic Primary, for the office of District Attorney for the 39th Judicial District. I am a native of the 39th District, and was reared south of Rule near the community of Sagerton, Texas. I am a 1984 graduate of Rule High

School, a 1988 graduate of Texas Tech University with a B.S. in Agriculture Education, and a 1991 graduate of the Texas Tech School of Law. I have been married to Kris Fouts for seven years and we have two children, Emily, age 4, and Sam, age twenty months. We are also expecting our third child in June. For the past four years, we have made our home south of Rule. I want to raise my children in a community where they are safe, and I give you my word that, if elected as your District Attorney, I will work to ensure our communities are safe for your children and mine.

Since 1991, I have worked for the Scarborough Law Firm with offices in Abilene and Stamford. I have gained a tremendous amount of experience in the field of criminal law. I have handled countless criminal law matters throughout this part of the state. I have tried over twenty felony jury trials including, three capital murder trials, and many more misdemeanor jury trials.

From my experience, I have gained a perspective of the requirements for an effective District Attorney's office. It is my belief that our American system of justice works best by obtaining a timely disposition of criminal cases. If I am elected as your District Attorney, I pledge to you that cases will be handled in a timely manner. A District Attorney deals with felony cases that often involve serious crimes against our society. It is my pledge to prosecute crime vigorously and aggressively. Through my experience, I have demonstrated that I am not intimidated by the courtroom, and that I am willing and have the proven ability to take a case to trial.

I want to be your District Attorney. If elected, I will dedicate myself to the effective and aggressive prosecution of criminal cases throughout the entire 39th District. I can assure you that I will handle all matters with unquestionable fairness and indisputable ethics.

I am taking the opportunity prior to the primary election to meet as many residents of the 39th District as possible. I want to listen to your comments and concerns and to answer any questions you have for me. If I am unable to meet you personally, I would like to take this opportunity to ask you for your vote on March 14th in the Democratic Primary for District Attorney of the 39th Judicial District.

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Written By Richard E. Rodgers, CPA



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Generally, a medical expense deduction is allowed for your out-of-pocket costs incurred in treating or preventing illness. When you pay these expenses for yourself, your spouse, and your dependents, they are deductible within the limits stated.

You may also be able to deduct medical expenses paid for a parent, child, or certain other relatives even if you are not entitled to claim them as dependents. Divorced or separated parents are allowed to deduct medical expenses paid for a child even though the other parent it entitled to the dependency exemption for that child.

Also, if you are providing over half of the support for someone but are not entitled to claim the dependency exemption because that individual has taxable income in excess of the personal exemption (\$2,750 for 1999, \$2,800 for 2000), you are still allowed to deduct medical expenses that you pay for that individual. To illustrate, suppose you provided over half of your father's support in 1999, but you are not entitled to claim him as a dependent because he had over \$2,750 of taxable income. You are still allowed to deduct medical expenses that you paid on his behalf.

If you claim a dependency exemption for an elderly parent under a "multiple support agreement," you can include in your medical expense deduction the amount of medical expenses actually paid by you on behalf of your parent. In this situation, let others pay nondeductible expenses and you pay the deductible medical expenses.

Married couples usually find it advantageous to file joint tax returns. However, if one spouse has large medical expenses, filing separately may boost those expenses beyond the 7.5% limit. If you're in this situation, compare joint and separate filing to see which gives the lower tax bill.

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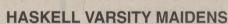
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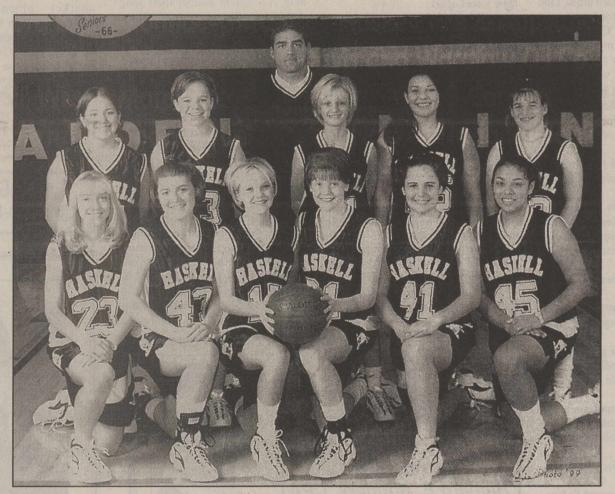
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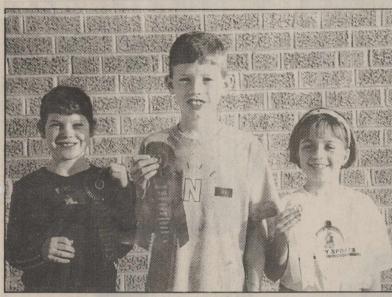
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SECOND GRADE WINNERS-Overall second grade Soil Conservation Poster winners were Haskell students, Brooke Bullinger, first place; Brennan Medford, second place; and Judith Isbell, third place.

## Haskell SWCD poster contest winners named

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February is the time for children in the local schools to participate in the Haskell Soil and Water Conservation District Poster

The District Winners are: First Place - Abel Cisneros, Paint Creek; Second Place - Callie Thomasson, Paint Creek; and Third Place - Tyler Manske, Rochester. These winning posters will be sent to Temple for further judging.

Local winners from Haskell are: Second Grade, Mrs. Griffith: 1. Brooke Bullinger 2. Brennan Medford 3. Judith Isbell.

These contestants also won in the same order best overall in the whole 2nd grade.

Third Grade, Mrs. Christian: 1. Laura Garcia 2. Paige Adams 3. Megan Bailey

Third Grade, Mrs. Huff: 1. Faith Silvas 2. Brittany Martinez 3. Meghan Rabb

Third Grade, Mrs. Waggoner: 1. Samantha Rodriquez 2. Hannah Wallace 3. Shayla Session

Third grade overall winners were: 1. Faith Silvas 2. Samantha Rodriquez 3. Hannah Wallace.

Sixth Grade, Mrs. Cypert: 1.
Robbyn Tribbey 2. Miguel Chavez
3. Shannon Harlan

Sixth Grade, Mrs. Earles: 1.
Caleb Hudgens 2. Shannon Bird 3.
Cody Kretschmer



DISTRICT WINNER-Tyler Manske, third grader from Rochester, won third overall in the Soil Conservation poster contest.

Sixth Grade, Mrs. Newton: 1. Nancy Ruiz 2. Jeremy Sorrells 3. Noe Rivera

Sixth grade overall winners were: 1. Caleb Hudgens 2. Nancy Ruiz 3. Robbyn Tribbey.

Paint Creek winners:
Kindergarten: 1. Caleb McCord 2.
Kelli Pittcock 3. Dalton Barnett
First Grade: 1. Kailey Jones 2.

Kelsey Ansley 3. Shanda Pelton Second Grade: 1. K. C. Fikes 2. Adan Rivera 3. Zach Trussell Third Grade: 1. Marty Hall 2.

Jeffery Wade 3. Steven Fillmon Fourth Grade: 1. Kailey McCord 2. Barrett Thomasson 3. Bryson Trussell

Fifth Grade: 1. Abel Cisneros 2. Kristen Barr 3. D. J. Hall



THIRD GRADE WINNERS-Overall third grade winners in the poster contest were Haskell students, I-r, Faith Silvas, first place; Samantha Rodriquez, second place; and Hannah Wallace, third place



DISTRICT WINNERS-Fifth grader, Abel Cisneros, won first overall for his poster, and sixth grader, Callie Thomasson won second place overall. Both are students at Paint Creek.

2. Callie Thomasson 3. Todd

Rochester winners: Kindergarten: 1. Stewart Urich 2. Jo Angel Martinez 3. Paige Glover First Grade: 1. Marissa McGhee 2. Michael Wilburn 3. Leah

Second Grade: 1. Amy Muniz 2. Chloe Strickland 3. Lisa Rodgers
Third Grade: 1. Tyler Manske 2.

John English 3. Lauren Newton Fifth Grade: 1. Shana Nicholson 2. Teddye Sue Harris 3. Paden

IN ALBANY:

Albany Communications 500 S. Main Street 915-762-2333 A total of 221 students participated in the poster contest.

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WINNING SIXTH GRADERS-Overall sixth grade winners in the Soil Conservation Poster Contest were Haskell students, I-r, Nancy Ruiz, second place; Robbyn Tribbey, third place; and Caleb Hudgens, first place.

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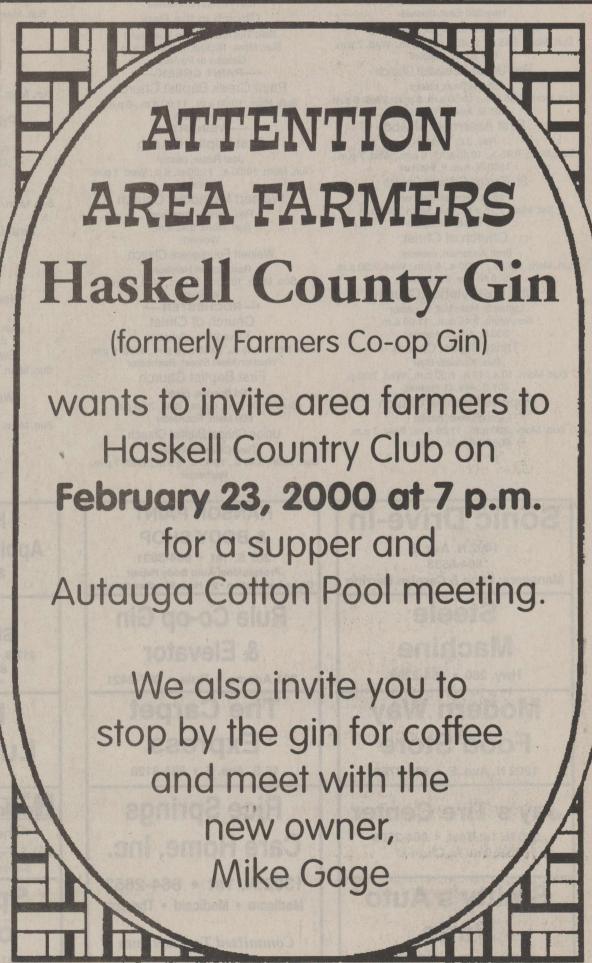
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### Sagerton News

The Lady Cats basketball team suffered a loss last week at the hands of the Benjamin girls, making them the second place winners in District 23-A. Another game will have been played by the time you read this and we will know if our girls proceed in the race to State. Jill Brown and the girls have done an outstanding job during the basketball season this year. After the girls playoffs are over, we will pick up on the boys again.

The regular monthly community meeting and supper was held at the center last Mon. night with Corene Lowack, Wilma Teichelman, Mary Neinast and James Gellner hosting a fried chicken and potluck supper for Delbert and Joyce LeFevre, Steven, M'Lynn and Joanna Lehrmann, Laci Standifer, Cheryl, Kristin and Andrew Hertel, John and Sue Guinn, Alvin and Ev Ulmer, Ken, Tully, Kinsey and Cade Brown, Lynn, Renee, Abby, Emery, Molly and Jenny Dudensing, J. B. and Dorothy

Toney, Mike, Kris, Emily and Sam Fouts, Bill and Margie Hertel, Frances Clark, G. W. and Ophelia LeFevre, Vanessa, Joshua, Jacob and Michael Perez, Charles and Dorothy Clark and Joe and Dorothy Clark. The annual financial report was given by Margie Hertel, secretary-treasurer; Lynn Dale Dudensing gave a report from the fire department and Alvin Ulmer reported that a bid had been received on the old fire truck. All current officers and committees were reelected by acclamation. The next meeting will be the first Mon. night of March.

Ladies of Faith Circle of Faith Lutheran Church met Tues. afternoon for their regular monthly meeting and Bible study. Those in attendance included LaVerne Stanhope, Loretta Connally, Barbara Nauert and Mary Neinast.

The Hobby Club met for its regular monthly meeting Thurs. afternoon at the community center meeting and included Joyce LeFevre, Mary Neinast, Christine Stremmel, Frances Clark, Ev Ulmer, Margaret Wendeborn, Margie Hertel, Leona Letz, Peggy Tabor, Jo Brown, Wilma Teichelman, Yvonne Swofford and Dorothy Toney. The ladies made lap robes for care homes during the afternoon. Jo Brown read a poem during the meeting and Wilma Teichelman also read the poem, "A Man's Pocketknife." There was

some discussion on the next quilt

project, famous quotes were read by

members and Mary Neinast won the

with Frances Clark hosting. A

100% attendance came for the

door prize for the day. The Hobby Club meets regularly each month and is responsible for the annual Fall Bazaar that benefits community projects and the scholarship fund for graduating seniors from Sagerton.

Lottie Bell Parks of Paducah had lunch with Frances Clark Sun. and By Dorothy M. Clark

spent the afternoon visiting in Sagerton.

Don and Patsy Bivins of Valley View visited in the home of her parents, Joe and Dorothy Clark, during the weekend.

An early morning fire at the home of Bob and Lana Culpepper destroyed a barn and the children's show pigs. The family was planning to take the pigs to the Houston Stock Show soon and were saddened by their loss. Fire departments from Sagerton, Rule and Stamford responded to the call and helped to save the Culpeppers' house and surrounding buildings.

Ladies of Faith Lutheran have been working on quilts for World Relief. These quilts are 60 X 80 inches and are made of washable materials. They usually consist of two layers of material and are tacked rather than quilted. They are shipped to Lutheran World Relief headquarters and are distributed throughout the world whenever disasters occur.



PROCLAMATION-Hazel Bland, formerly of Haskell, receives a proclamation from Yoakum Mayor, M. W. Harbus, making Feb. 6

## Hazel Bland celebrates 90th birthday in Yoakum

On Sun., Feb. 6 the family of Hazel Bland hosted a party celebrating her 90 years of life. The event was held in the Parish Hall of the Holy Cross Lutheran Church

The mayor of Yoakum presented Bland with a proclamation making Feb. 8 Hazel Bland Day.

Bland was raised in Haskell, the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Redwine. She is the widow of O. L. Bland, also of Haskell. She is active in the Yoakum Church of Christ, Eastern Star and supervises all voting in DeWitt County

Tables in the hall were covered with pink cloths and centered with bouquets of spring flowers. Granddaughters served punch, coffee and cake.

Family members attending were: children Lenneth and Mae Bland, Luling, La.; Leon and Nan Bland; Bob and Rose Bland; Richard and Annalyn Bland Karl and Mrs. Thomas Bland, Sr., all of Yoakum

Grandchildren: Susie Bland Pelc, Aiken, S. C.; Russell and Audra Bland and family, Hammond, La.; Thomas Bland, Jr., Earl and Beverly Bland and family, Brittany and Bridget Bland, all of Yoakum; Danny and Shiryl Gaiten and family, Seguin; Otto and Janet Cervenka and family, Hallettsville Brandon and Kim Bland, Cedar Park; and John Paul and Holly Keesy and family, Ft. Worth.

Nieces and nephew: Kay Hardin, Cedar Park; Gayle Ford, Katy; and Jeanie and Hy Richards, San Angelo.

Sister-in-law: Lois Redwine, Odessa.

Many friends registered from Yoakum, Beeville, Cuero, Gonzales, Victoria, Shiner, Hallettsville, Danevang and

## This Week's Devotional Message:



Because of the stresses of your hectic life, like many of us you may have fallen into the trap of smoking, alcohol or some other substance, and weren't even aware that you had become addicted. This can jeopardize your job, your marriage, your health, and even your life and the lives of others, besides being a big waste of money and a terrible example for your children. But take heart, you can quit if you really want to. Go to a treatment center if you like, but perhaps you don't really need one. It will be hard at first, but it will get easier. Just keep busy, and think of how nice it will be to get rid of that dependency. Also, turn to your House of Worship. It can be a real source of help in straightening out your life.

#### 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

901 N. 16th, Haskell Church of Christ Brett Anderson, minister Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 10:30 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m. 510 N. Ave. E, Haskell First Presbyterian Church Luther S. Hollowell, II, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 11:00 a.m. 306 N. Ave. E, Haskell

**Trinity Baptist Church** Rev. Kenneth Blair Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p. 401 S. Ave. D, Haskell Hopewell Baptist Church

Sat. Mass 7:15 p.m.; Sun. Morn. 9:00 a.m.

John Lewis, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.

908 N. Ave. A, Haskell

Greater Independent Baptist Church Bobby Ray Wade, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.

301 N. 3rd St., Haskell **New Covenant Foursquare** Kevin and Sharon Fletcher, pastors Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.m. 200 S. Ave. F, Haskell Mission Revival Center

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

Kevin Hall, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 301 N. Ave. E, Haskell

Church in the Park Rev. Tim and Suzann Townsend Sun. Morn. 10:30 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m. Gazebo or Pavillion ---PAINT CREEK-

Paint Creek Baptist Church 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.

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---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. Rochester

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

Rochester -SAGERTON-Sagerton Methodist Church Tommy Wilson, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m. Sagerton Faith Lutheran Church

Jeff Zell, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. Sagerton ------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. 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

Shane Brue, pastor Sun. Morn. Worship 9 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.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.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m. 300 Sunny Ave., Rule

### Haskell School Menu

Feb. 21-25 Breakfast

Juice or fruit and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu. Cereal offered daily.

Monday: Toast/jelly Tuesday: Breakfast burrito Wednesday: Waffles/syrup Thursday: Sausage & biscuit Friday: Breakfast pizza Lunch

A choice of baked potato with choice of topping or a salad bar are offered daily at the High School. Ala-carte line offered daily Secondary only. Milk and assorted

drinks are served daily at the High School. Milk and juice are served daily at the Elementary School. Monday: Chalupas, grated cheese, lettuce, tomatoes, corn, cherry cobbler

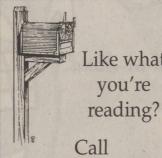
Tuesday: Chili dogs, tater tots, pickle spears, orange wedges Wednesday: Enchilidas, chips, hot sauce, pinto beans, Spanish rice, fruit cocktail

Thursday: Steak fingers, gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, sliced pears

Friday: Hamburger, curly fries, hamburger trimmings, Shape ups

## **ECC Calendar and Menu**

Monday, February 21 9:30 a.m. Miracle Ear hearing



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Lunch-Meat loaf, potatoes, mixed vegetables, fruit cobbler, bread, milk, tea or coffee

Wednesday, February 23 11:00 a.m. Outreach Health Service blood pressure check

Lunch-Hamburgers, hamburger salad, pinto beans, tator tots, banana pudding, milk, tea or coffee Friday, February 25

Lunch-German sausage, potatoes, onions, carrots, brownies,

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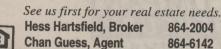
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Attest: Penny Young, Clerk, of the 39th District Court, Haskell County, Texas.

NOTICE

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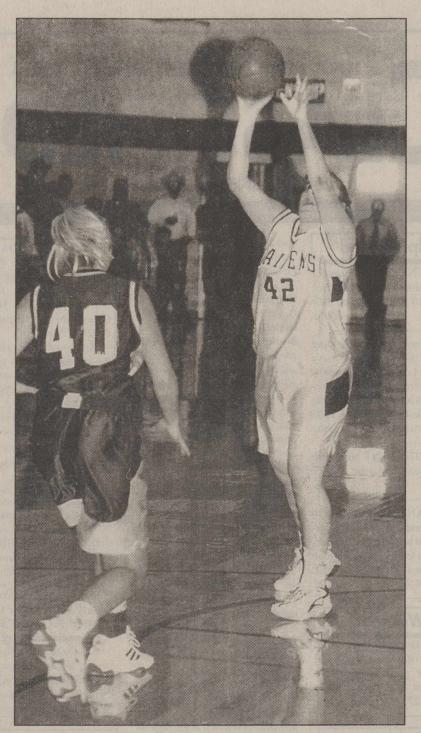
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INDIAN ALOFT-Haskell Indian, Michael Lindsey, goes up for the ball during the game with Archer City.



REACHING UP-Haskell Maiden, Misty Rodela goes up to send one in during the game with Seymour.

## Haskell CISD awarded 'Expanding Breakfast' grant

Billie McKeever, superintendent, said Monday that Haskell School District is expanding its breakfast program, thanks to the help of a \$1900 grant from Dairy MAX, Inc.

The improved program, started January 3, is based on a "grab 'n' go" concept. Students pick up their breakfasts in a bag as they enter the foyer between 7:30 and 8:20 a.m. They are permitted to eat the breakfast in the classroom or outside the building.

"The grant from Dairy MAX" allows us to buy some of the equipment necessary for this expansion," McKeever said. "We look forward to providing a service that can have such a profound effect on those who participate."

Citing the fact that a number of studies show that students who have eaten breakfast score significantly higher on standardized achievement tests, Tammie Potts, consultant for Dairy MAX said "In many classrooms, the more demanding subjects are taught in the morning. Students who skip breakfast may have headaches, be disruptive or stop paying attention to the lesson when they are hungry. The school breakfast program provides the nutrients necessary to ensure they are ready to learn every school day.'

Potts said that Dairy MAX's interest in seeing breakfast programs grow, with the milk that is provided through them, is rooted in a national "calcium crisis."

Pointing out that the decline in calcium intake begins early in a child's school years, Potts said the shortage is especially prevalent among teenagers. "Nine out of 10 girls are not getting the recommended 1,300 milligrams of calcium they need each day, and seven out of 10 teenage boys are deficient," she said.

Dairy MAX oversees the aid for school food services in a four state area. All activities are funded through an assessment of about a penny on each gallon of milk produced by dairy farmers.

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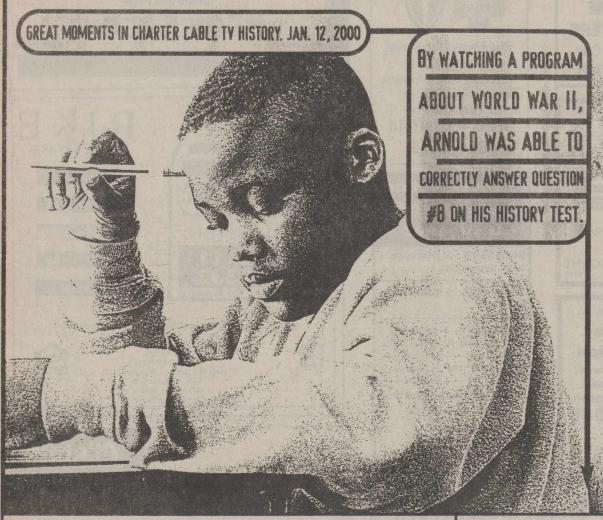
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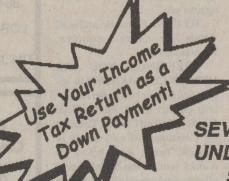
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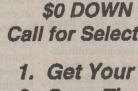
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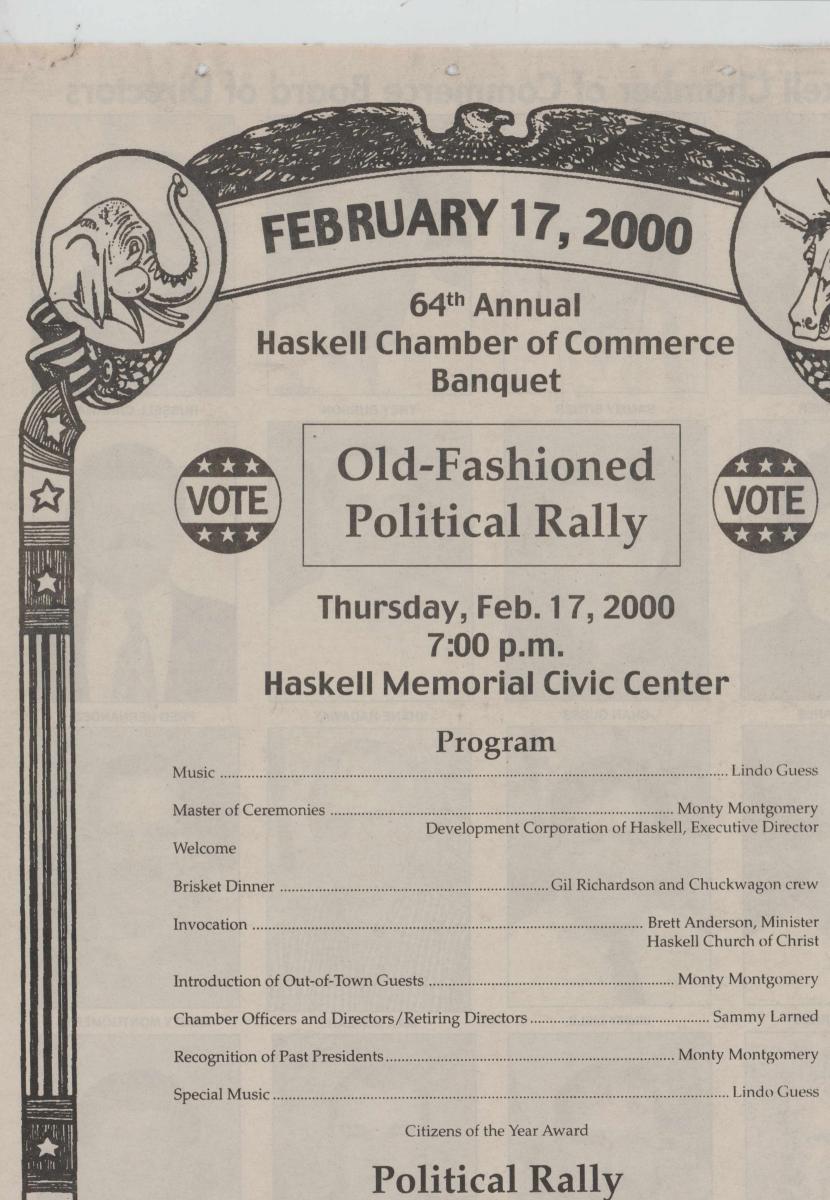
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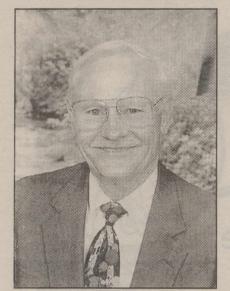
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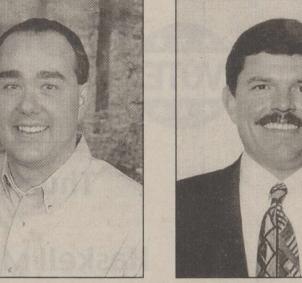




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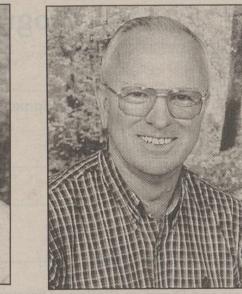
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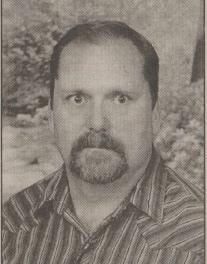
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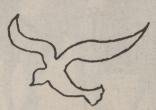


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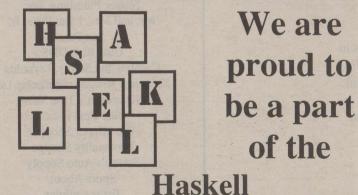
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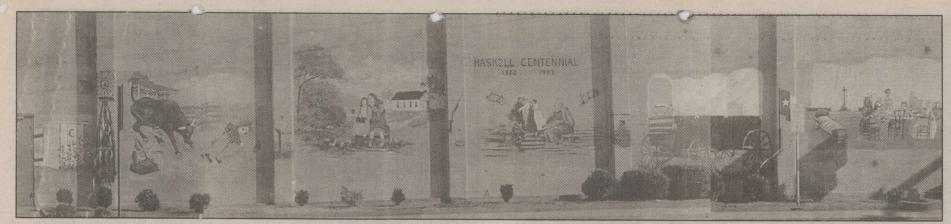
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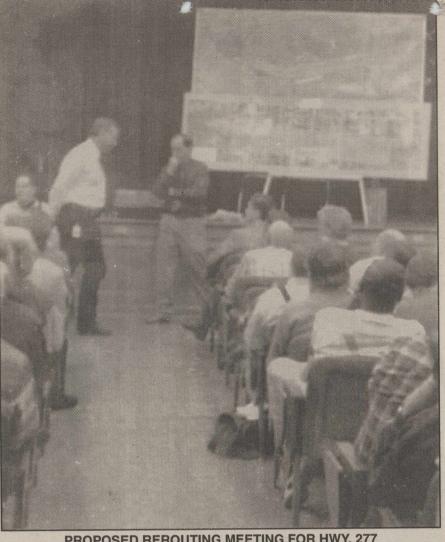


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We, the Board of Directors of the Haskell Chamber of Commerce, want to work with each entity in our fine city to help Haskell to become a better place to live and bring in other businesses and families to Haskell.

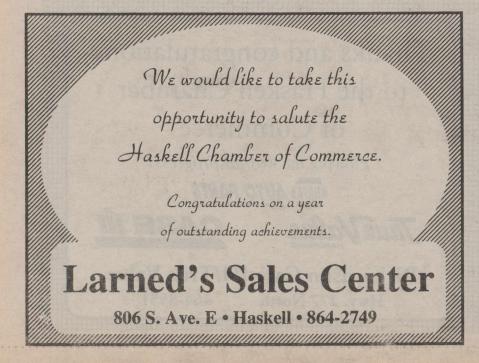
We have decided to have a good, old political rally for our annual banquet this year. This gets our political leaders and candidates to share their views about their office with the public. We also will have a good time in fellowship.

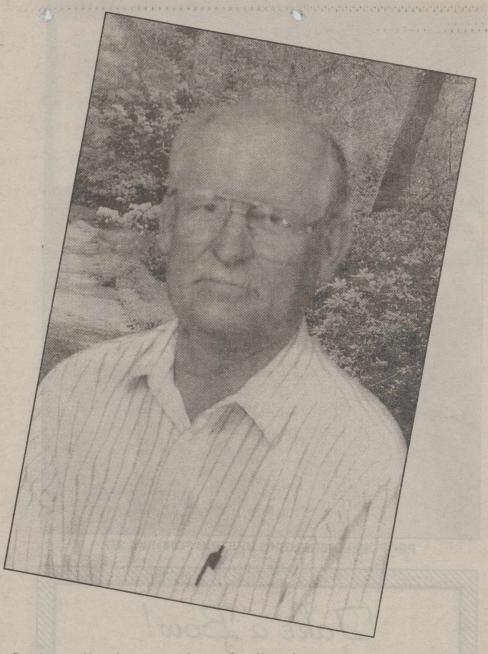
This year is another challenge for Haskell. Yes, the drought does affect everyone. But with all of us working together for one purpose in making Haskell the "Best Place" to live, yes, we will survive. The car show and Wild Horse Prairie Days have grown to become huge events for our community. We want your input for other events that would help bring more folks to Haskell.

Haskell will be the leader of many small towns this year because you, the citizens, want it that way. As you drive around in this fine city, you will find some neglected old houses, buildings and lots cleaned off by our city employees. Our county employees continue to help clean up our city and surrounding areas. Yes, we all work together for one purpose: to become a nicer place to live.

Welcome new businesses to Haskell! We want you here to be a part of us. We want you to join with us in being the place to raise your family and bring your friends. This is "The Place" to live Today and Tomorrow.

As your new president of the Haskell Chamber of Commerce, I ask each and everyone of you to get more involved in making Haskell the "Best Place" in Texas and the United





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