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Calendar

Early deadlines for July 5 edition

Deadline for the July 5 edition of the Haskell Free Press will be Thurs., June 28 at 5 p.m. The Free Press office will close Tues., July 3 and re-open Mon., July 9.

Ladies night to be held Thursday

The Haskell Country Club Ladies Auxiliary will hold ladies night Bunko Thurs., June 21 at 7 p.m. Ladies are encouraged to come and learn to play this fun game.

Old Glory musical set Saturday

The Old Glory Musical will be held Sat., June 23 at the Community Center in Old Glory. The best little concession stand in Texas will open at 5:30 and the music will start at 6 p.m. No admission is charged. For more information call 940-989-2925 or 989-2833.

Friends of the Library to meet Monday

The Friends of the Haskell Library will meet Mon., June 25 at 7:30 p.m. at the Church of Christ annex.

Calf roping

A buckle series calf roping will be held at the Hanson Arena in Abilene. Sun., June 24 beginning at 1 p.m. For information call J. W. Wallace 864-3509 or Tim Layman 864-8500.

Immunizations

The Texas Dept. of Health in Stamford will hold an immunization clinic Thurs., June 21 at the American Legion Hall in Haskell. Clinic times are 1 to 4 p.m. For more information, call 915-773-5681.

Summer reading

The children's summer reading program at the Haskell County Library will be held each Wednesday morning in June from 10 to 11 a.m.

Booster club to meet

The Indian Booster Club will meet Thurs., June 28 at the Field House (located at the back of the school) at 7:30 p.m. New coaches will be introduced, a business meeting will be held and a question and answer session with the coaches will be conducted.

Storm sirens

The City of Haskell will test the storm sirens at noon on Fridays weather permitting.

Paint Creek reunion

Lyla Mary (Mickler) Isbell is upgrading addresses of alumni for the upcoming Paint Creek Reunion. Addresses may be submitted to Mrs. Isbell at 705 N. Ave. E Apt. 3, Haskell, Texas 79521 or to TaTa@westex.net.

Summer food program

Haskell CISD will sponsor the Summer Food Service program. Meals will be served at Haskell Elementary School Cafeteria from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday through Fri., July 20. Those 18 and under may eat free. Adults will be charged \$2.50.

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BOYS RANCH SUPPER-Haskell citizens turned out Monday night to meet with representatives of the Ben Richey Boys Ranch and enjoy a hamburger supper at the Haskell County Fair-ground pavilion. The Boys Ranch is seeking a rural, Big Country location for a campus extension. Haskell CISD is one of 11 schools that will submit a proposal for the campus.

June sales tax receipts reported; county totals show small decline

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander recently sent Texas cities and counties \$213.3 million in monthly sales tax rebates. June payments to the 1,108 Texas cities and 119 counties that impose a sales tax are up 7 percent compared to the \$199.3 million rebated in June 2000. Year-to-date sales tax rebates are up 5.4 percent, compared to 2000.

Comptroller Rylander sent sales tax rebates totaling \$196.6 million to Texas cities, 7 percent higher than last June's payments of \$183.6 million. Rebates of \$16.6 million to Texas counties were up 6.4 percent compared to allocations of \$15.6 million in June 2000.

In addition to city and county sales tax rebates, the state's six metropolitan transit authorities and two city transit departments received \$73.5 million. Another \$7.3 million went to 59 special purpose districts.

June sales tax rebates represent sales taxes collected in April and reported to the Comptroller in May.

Haskell County had a 0.93 percent decrease for June, 2001 of \$19,873.06 in comparison to \$20,061.24 for June, 2000. 2001 payments to date of \$178,189.00 reflect a 11.69 percent increase over 2000 payments to date of

\$159,532.21.

The City of Haskell had a 0.36 percent decrease for June, 2001 of \$18,763.46 in comparison to \$18,832.20 for June, 2000. 2001 payments to date of \$165,263.18 reflect a 12.42 percent increase over 2000 payments to date of \$147,004.77.

O'Brien had a 138.95 percent increase for June, 2001 of \$37.11 in comparison to \$15.53 for June, 2000. 2001 payments to date of \$630.34 reflect a 14.07 percent increase over 2000 payments to date of \$552.58.

Rochester had a 30.44 percent decrease for June, 2001 of \$322.06

in comparison to \$463.04 for June, 2000. 2001 payments to date of \$3,400.88 reflect a 6.54 percent decrease over 2000 payments to date of \$3,638.93.

Rule had a 10.75 percent increase for June, 2001 of \$711.58 in comparison to \$642.49 for June, 2000. 2001 payments to date of \$7,718.03 reflect a 7.91 percent increase over 2000 payments to date of \$7,151.66.

Weinert had a 64.02 percent decrease for June, 2001 of \$38.85 in comparison to \$107.98 for June, 2000. 2001 payments to date of \$1,176.57 reflect a 0.65 percent decrease over 2000 payments to date of \$1,184.27.

Speed limit approved for CR 414

At a Public Hearing before the regular meeting of the Haskell County Commissioners' Court, June 11, the Court approved the lowering of the speed limit on County Road 414.

Upon the recommendation of Lynn Dodson, Justice of the Peace, Commissioners approved the hiring of Ember Medford in the Justice of the Peace Office, effective June 2001, at the probationary salary of \$1,207.16.

Commissioner Kenny Thompson was appointed to the Helen Farabee Board of Trustees for a two-year term beginning August 31, 2001.

The Court approved a motion to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the Helen Farabee MHMR.

Permission was given to Judge David Davis to handle the matter of obtaining more dumpsters at the Anchor, contingent on the cost per use per dumpster. The dumpsters will be kept locked when not in use.

The bonds of county employees Frances Silba and Ember Medford were approved.

Model airplanes to fly Saturday

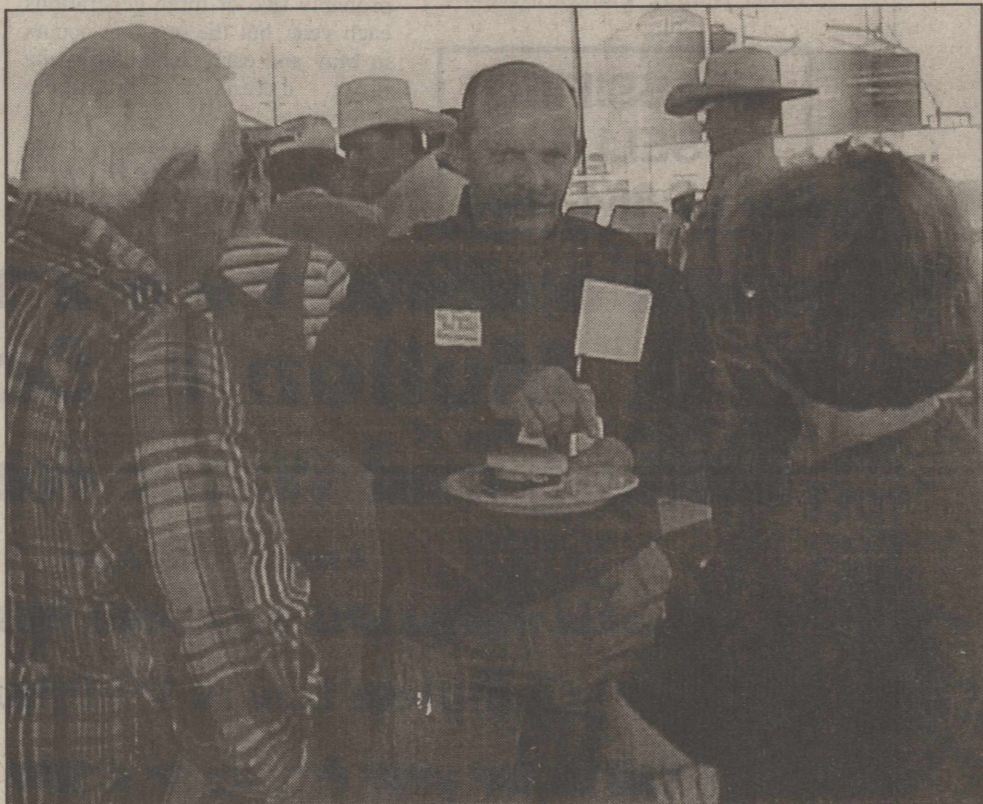
The Texas Chiefs Model Airplane Club announce their annual Open House Fly In to be held Sat., June 23 at the Haskell Model Airport which is three miles east of town.

Everyone is invited to come and watch the flying which will include many types of radio control models. On hand will be a 14 foot wingspan sailplane. Plaques will be awarded for the best civilian and military aircraft flown.

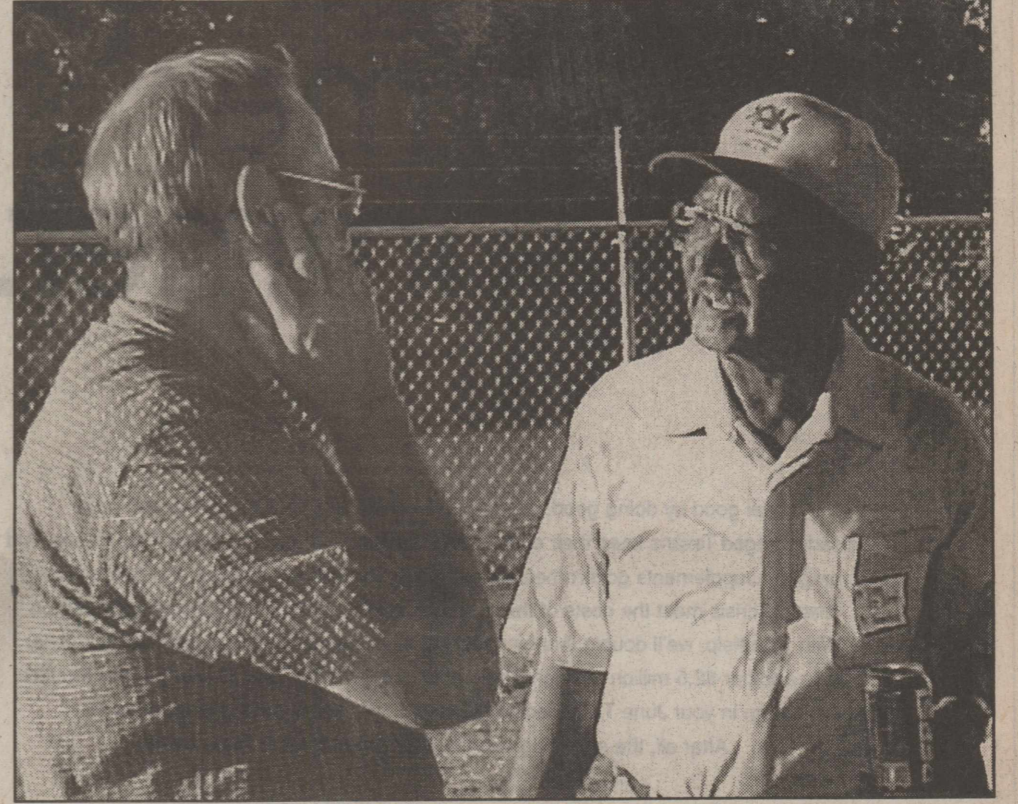
Cold drinks will be available.

The Texas Chiefs are proud of their club and have been rated a Gold Level Club by the Academy of Model Aeronautics for 8 years. Membership is open to anyone that is interested in any type of model airplane.

Kenny Watson will be the contest director for this year's event.



SUPPER WITH THE PRESIDENT-Citizens interested in the possibility of having a Ben Richey Boys Ranch campus extension in Haskell talked with Ranch President Kerry Fortune, center, at the June 18 meeting at the Haskell Fairground pavilion.



DISCUSSING THE CAMPUS-Dr. Wayne Cadenhead, left, speaks with Ben Richey Boys Ranch board of directors member, Wilton Turnerhill, during the Haskell community-wide gathering to show support for a campus extension of the Ranch.

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Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 815 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., June 16, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

Fully steady on all classes.
Cows: fat, .35-.46; cutters, .40-.48; canners, .25-.35.

Bulls: bologna, .52-.58; feeder, .72-.82; utility, .48-.54.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.15-1.45; 300-400 lbs., 1.08-1.20; 400-500 lbs., .95-1.10; 500-600 lbs., .90-1.05; 600-700 lbs., .85-.98; 700-800 lbs., .80-.92; 800-up lbs., .70-.84.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.05-1.30; 300-400 lbs., .90-1.10; 400-500 lbs., .88-1.00; 500-600 lbs., .85-.95; 600-up lbs., .68-.88.

Bred Heifers: medium frame, 525-650.

Bred Cows: young to middle aged, 675-775; aged or small, 550-690.

Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, 750-900; aged or small, 650-750.

Croft Memorial Golf Tournament results announced

The first annual Harvey Croft Memorial Greater Haskell Open 3 person scramble was held June 9-10. The results are as follows:

Championship Flight
1. Markey, Nuckols, Carrothers, 57-53 *110; 2. Baker, Carpenter, Roper, 58-59 *117; 3. Benevides, Pena, Lambert, 60-57 *117; 4. Burson, Strickland, Harris, 62-59 *121; 5. Smith, Alcalá, Austin, 61-60 *121.

First Flight
1. Fuentes, Therwhanger, Jesse Rodriguez, 62-57 *122; 2. Hall, Hall, Waddell, 66-57 *123; 3. Hernandez, Camacho, Baldree, 64-59 *123; 4. Canles, Everett, Brzozowski, 65-60 *125.

Second Flight
1. Ralston, Carver, Garcia, 68-63 *131; 2. Croft, McAdams, Miller, 69-62 *131; 3. Enriquez, Rodriguez, Rodriguez, 69-63 *132.

Obituaries

Opal Lorene McFadden

Funeral services for Opal Lorene McFadden, 81, of Haskell were held Fri., June 15 at First Assembly of God Church in Haskell with Rev. J. C. Amburn officiating assisted by Rev. Tom Saali. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. McFadden died Tues., June 12 at The Graham Oaks Care Center in Graham.

Born April 18, 1920 in Erath County, she was the daughter of the late William and Effie Campbell. She married Charles Carrol McFadden June 23, 1936. He preceded her in death May 19, 1992. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by one son and two grandchildren.

Survivors include two sons, Arvil J. McFadden and wife, Mary Ann, of Haskell and Carrol Wayne McFadden and wife, Linda, of Bryson; five daughters, Carlyne Wright and husband, Bob, of Spur, Betty Jean Tatum and husband, George, of Grand Prairie, Wanda Sue Mills and husband, Jimmy, of Arlington, and Jeanette Ootom and husband Junior, and Glenda Kay Mowrey and husband, Ray, all of Graham; 20 grandchildren and 34 great grandchildren. PD. NOTICE

Mrs. Ruby O. Fletcher

Funeral services for Mrs. Ruby O. Fletcher, 77, of Temple were held Sat., June 16 at Harper-Talasek Funeral Home in Temple. Burial was in Temple Garden of Memories.

Mrs. Fletcher died Thurs., June 14 in a Belton nursing home.

Born Sept. 8, 1923 in Haskell, she was the daughter of the late H. R. Collins and Mary Stovall Collins. She attended school at Paint Creek. She married Charles (Jeff) Jefferson Fletcher in December of 1945. He preceded her in death Jan. 3, 1994. She resided in Rochester until 1952 when she and her family moved to Knox County. She was employed for three years with the Knox County Hospital.

kitchen as a dietician. She moved to Temple in 1968. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Temple and the Ruth Sunday School Class. She will be remembered as a kind and giving person.

Survivors include one daughter, Gail Benavidez of Temple; one son, Clint Fletcher of Rowlett; one brother, E. C. Collins of Haskell; four grandchildren, Kelly Fletcher, Amy Fletcher, Denise Fletcher and Jeff Benavidez.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association or the First Baptist Church of Temple. PD. NOTICE

Johnny L. Mills

Funeral services for Johnny L. Mills, 61, of Haskell were held Fri., June 8 at First Baptist Church in Haskell with W. W. Turnbow officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Mills died Tues., June 5 at his home in Haskell. Born March 30, 1940 in Childress, he married Paula R. Greene Aug. 9, 1964 in Taylor County. He spent 20 years in the U. S. Air Force where he served as a C-130 cargo plane crew chief before retiring in 1982. He was Haskell County Sheriff for 16 years, retiring in 2000. He was a Baptist.

He was preceded in death by one son, Wesley Craig Mills.

Survivors include his wife, Paula R. Mills of Haskell; two sons, John Christopher Mills of Haskell and Corye Mills of Houston; one brother, Jimmy D. Mills of Arlington; his mother, Eunice Mills of Haskell; his mother-in-law, Christine Greene of Haskell; and two grandchildren, Bryson and Tyler Mills of Haskell.

Pallbearers were Marshal Brown, Johnny Josselet, Mike Haley, Martin Dale Coleman, David Halliburton and Johnny Isbell. Honorary pallbearers were employees of the Haskell County Sheriff's office. PD. NOTICE

L. E. 'Bud' Kitchens

Funeral services for L. E. 'Bud' Kitchens, 91, of Haskell were held Sat., June 9 at the Wallace Funeral Home Chapel in Tulia with Rev. Tommy Ewing officiating. Burial was in Tulia Cemetery under the direction of Wallace Funeral Home.

Mr. Kitchens died Thurs., June 7 at a local care home. Born Feb. 23, 1910 in Sterling, Okla., he married Edna Rash March 23, 1935 in Lawton, Okla. He was a farmer, pioneering the growth of cotton in Swisher County in 1948. He was also a rancher and owner of Kitchens Feed

Yard in Rule from 1967-85. He was a Baptist. He was preceded in death by two brothers and five sisters.

Survivors include his wife, Edna Kitchens of Haskell; two daughters, Shirley Smith of Tulia and Karen Stanaland of Sugarland; three sons, L. E. 'Sonny' Kitchens of Dumas, Larry Kitchens of Boone, N.C. and Ronald L. Kitchens of Dripping Springs; 13 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. PD. NOTICE

Willie Castillo

Funeral services for Willie Castillo, 88, of Haskell were held Sat., June 16 at First Assembly of God Church in Haskell with Rev. J. C. Amburn officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Castillo died Tues., June 12 at a local care home. Born March 12, 1912 in Falfurrias, he married Benilde Ortiz May 19, 1937 in Falfurrias. She preceded him in death Feb. 2, 1995. He worked for Laurel Land Memo-

rial Park in Dallas as a landscaper for 16 years. He was preceded in death by one son, Florenzo Castillo and two daughters, Adelita Tapia and Estella Castillo.

Survivors include two sons, John Castillo Sr and Vincente Castillo, both of Haskell; three daughters, Lucilla Diaz of Wichita Falls, Bertha Acuna of Stephenville and Lucy Guevara of Dallas; and numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren. PD. NOTICE

Cutworms remove mesquite foliage

by Brandon Anderson
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
There are many different moths coming to lights at night and several of these moths are in large numbers. The species composition of the moths is constantly changing, but some of the more numerous moths are the armyworm, beet armyworm, variegated cutworm and mesquite cutworms. There are two moths that are known locally as mesquite cutworms. Mesquite cutworm populations vary greatly in size from year to year. The level of mesquite defoliation by the two cutworms is an early indication of the size of the populations. During May large areas of mesquite were defoliated by these larvae in the Texas Rolling Plains. Mesquite

cutworm larvae only feed on mesquite foliage.

The larger of the two mesquite cutworms is *Melipotis indomita*. It feeds on mesquite leaves during the night and crawls down under the bark or under the debris at the base of the tree during the day. Full grown larvae are about 1.75 inches in length and are generally black in color with narrow pale colored stripes running the length of the body. Older rough bark trees appear to provide better protection, but in some years several hundred larvae may be found around the base of a single tree. Where larger infestations are found, 95 percent of the foliage can be consumed by the time the larvae have completed their development. There are probably two or three generations each year, but the one that occurs in May and early June causes the most extensive mesquite defoliation.

Not as much is known about *Bulia deducta*, the smaller of the mesquite cutworms. This moth is about an inch long with a 1.25

inch wingspan. The males have more distinctive markings on the front wings. There are various forms of this moth and it was originally described as at least three different species, but it can be recognized by an orange spot near the lower edge of each of the lower wings. The moths are often seen darting about in cotton, alfalfa and other forage crops or feeding on blooming plants.


Large numbers of ground beetles belonging to the genus *Calosoma* are feeding on the larvae and moths. The larval stage as well as the adult ground beetles can be found feeding on mesquite cutworms at the base of mesquite trees. At night the adult ground beetles migrate to lights where they feed on moths and other insects. As the sun comes up they move into homes and businesses. Change to yellow outside lights to help reduce the numbers of moths and beetles. As the moth numbers decrease during the next few weeks so will the numbers of ground beetles.

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Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Recently, Hyrum and Jean Richards were at the Amarillo Airport to meet their granddaughters, Rachel and Britny Richards and Myshell Moore, who flew down from Casper, Wyoming. The girls' parents and sister, Dan and Mary Richards and Shelby Moore, will join them shortly for a visit. The girls will also visit great grandmother, Lois Redwine.

Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Hawkins and children of Aspermont visited his mom, Joyce, on Sunday afternoon. Peggy and children also visited her dad Joe Ruiz.

Gary and Letha Walters of Abilene, Charlene Hawkins, Cloa Parsons and children Heather and Cody, Clarence and Bo Tatum, Billy and Margaret Tatum and daughter Creora, Christopher and Melissa Tatum and boys Zachary, Garett and Taylor and Tamera Hearn and children Taya and Dakota had Father's Day dinner with Wayne Walters. They presented him with a new microwave.

Tyler Klose King, daughter of Wade and Cam King of Stephenville, celebrated her second birthday with a family party June 17 at her home outside of Stephenville. Celebrating with her from Haskell were grandparents Wilbert and Dwanna Klose, her aunt and uncle Pam & Ron Opitz and cousin Tenille Mathis from Lubbock.

Bernice Hilliard has returned from a eleven day trip with friends to S. C. The friends visited relatives and Bernice visited her son and his wife Ron and Edith Hilliard

who moved to S. C. recently from Odessa. While there they took her to the capitol and sight-seeing in Charleston and Buford. Hilliard attended a family reunion with the friends.

Melissa Gray of Midland visited Faye Gray and they went to Abilene and visited with Judy Hicks.

Little Miss Audree Cochran spent a few days in Aspermont with her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Cochran.

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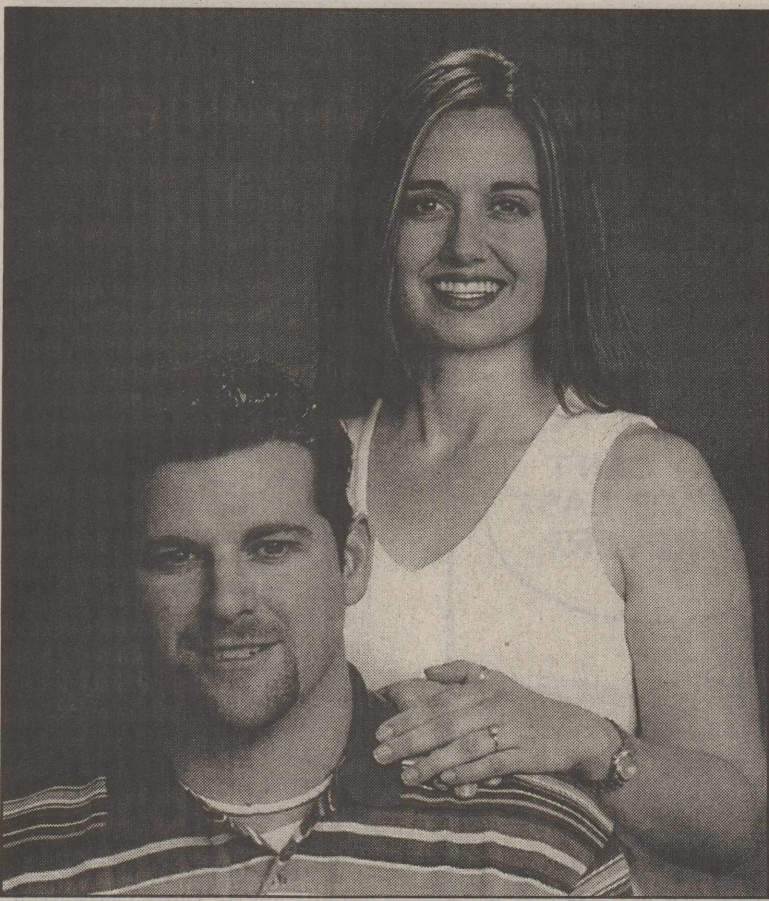
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KEITH McDONALD - CRISSY HELBERT

Helbert, McDonald to marry July 14

Eddie and Vanessa Helbert, of Andrews, are proud to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Crissy Jill, to Colbert Keith McDonald.

The prospective groom is the son of Barry and Pam McDonald of Andrews. He is the grandson of Golda Colbert of Haskell, Dr. Bob Colbert of Huntsville, Ala., Nila and the late Claude McDonald of Hamlin.

The couple will be joined in marriage July 14 at the Second Baptist Church of Andrews, with the Pastor Ivy Shelton officiating.

The bride-elect is a 1996 graduate of Andrews High School. She is a 2000 graduate of Texas A&M University with a degree in Interdisciplinary Studies. She is employed as a second grade teacher with the Northside Independent School District of San Antonio.

The future groom is a 1995 graduate of Andrews High School. He is a 2000 graduate of Texas A&M University with a degree in Biomedical Science. He is employed as a Microbiological Lab Technician with Food Safety Net, Ltd. of San Antonio.

Extension Club holds June meeting

The Texas Extension Education Association Club of Haskell met in the county extension office kitchen for the June meeting.

Group pictures in front of the gazebo and in front of the Court House were made.

As the only extension club in the county, the club depends upon county participation by all residents to provide scholarships for 4-H members. This year an added project of calendars has been added.

The program was led by Lennie Ruth Blankenship, with the assistance of Flossie Bates. A presentation entitled "Keeping Healthy Skin" was the topic. Helpful hints were given such as: use a mixture of olive oil and sea salt for a rub to heal rough feet; for dry hands, use a rub of mashed

bananas. Yogurt, wheat germ and mashed bananas makes a good exfoliator for arms and body and an avocado mask is wonderful for the face, as well as cucumber slices and/or used tea bags (chilled) for those dark circles under the eyes; and a wash of egg whites for puffy eyes.

A reminder that the Cultural Arts Day to be held in Weinert is July 17. Registration should be made by June 25. You do not have to be a member to attend and many items will be on display.

July is vacation month for the club and a regular meeting will not be held.

Those wishing to contribute to the work of the club to provide scholarships, can call club president, Lena Tidwell at 864-3497.

Education Council meets

Haskell County Extension Education Council met for a regular meeting June 14 in the extension office. Lennie Blankenship read an essay entitled, "Letter from Paul Harvey to His Grandchildren."

Agents Lou Gilly and Brandon Anderson were in College Station June 11-15 at the 4-H Round Up. Susan Cockerell of Rochester and Renee Dudensing of Sagerton also

attended.

Extension members are selling Haskell County Community Birthday Calendars for a fund raiser. The proceeds will go toward 4-H scholarships and other 4-H and club projects.

District Cultural Arts Day will be July 17 in Weinert.

Seven members were present for the meeting. No July meeting will be held.



MRS. DAVID BOATMAN

Stocks, Boatman wed in Vernon

Stephanie Leann Stocks became the bride of David Dewayne Boatman in a double-ring ceremony solemnized Sat., June 16, in the Forum Room of Wilbarger Auditorium in Vernon. Rev. Irl Holt officiated for the nuptial event.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Onder of Vernon and Mr. and Mrs. Danny Stocks of Sagerton. She is the granddaughter of Audie and Wanda Stocks and Olen and Thelma King, all of Haskell.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Boatman of Vernon.

Decorating the nuptial area was a brass archway filled with ivy and centered with an ivory bow. White wicker plant stands decorated with ivory bows held Boston ferns and a unity candle completed the setting.

Mary Boatman was pianist for the ceremony.

The bride, presented in marriage by her father, Danny Stocks, wore a formal-length gown of ivory satin with a standup collar accented with pearls and sequins on the fitted bodice. A long train was adorned around the bottom with ivory bows.

The bride wore roses in her hair and carried ivory roses with streamers of ivory, royal blue, peach and gold. She completed her attire with gold hoop earrings.

Kimberly Hammes of Abilene attended her sister as maid of honor. She wore a royal blue A-line dress and carried a long stem peach rose with streamers of royal blue, ivory and gold.

Bridesmaids were Christi Walser and Amy Boatman. Both were attired identically to the honor

attendant and also carried single long-stemmed peach roses with streamers of royal blue, ivory and gold.

Flower girls and ringbearer were Britny and Bridget Hammes of Girvin, nieces of the bride.

Jud Chilton attended the bridegroom as best man. Groomsmen were Tommie Hafer and Josh Stocks.

A reception was held in the Westerner Room of Wilbarger Auditorium.

The bride's table, on which was centered a rose streamer with greenery, held a floating wedding cake, punch bowl, mints and nuts. Crystal holders held peach tapers.

The bridegroom's chocolate cake was served with lemonade and a basket of fresh fruit.

Assisting with serving duties were Cheryl Hammes, sister-in-law of the bride and Chalane Murray.

Following a wedding trip to Orlando, Fla., the couple will reside in Amarillo.

A 2000 graduate of Vernon High School, the bride is attending Amarillo College as she works toward a degree in business administration.


The bridegroom, a 2000 graduate of Vernon High School, is working toward a degree in instrument and control technology at Amarillo College.

The rehearsal dinner was held Fri., June 15, in the Westerner Room hosted by David and Tempie Boatman.

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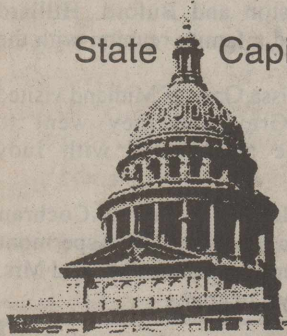
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HIGHLIGHTS

By Mike Cox
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — Two thousand three hundred and thirty-five U.S. sailors, marines and soldiers died in the Dec. 7, 1941 Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor.

Nearly 60 years later, an estimated 1,500 World War II veterans are dying of natural causes every day.

With 1.7 million veterans living in Texas, the sad fact is that a lot of funerals are in the offing.

Awaiting Gov. Rick Perry's signature is House Bill 310, a measure that would establish a State Veterans Cemetery System. Another piece of legislation, House Joint Resolution 82, places on the November ballot a constitutional amendment that would provide funding.

If approved, the amendment would allow the Veterans Land Board to sell \$500 million in bonds for veteran home loans and cemetery maintenance.

HB 310 would establish seven state-run veterans cemeteries across the state to supplement the six national veteran's cemeteries in Texas.

The notion behind the legislation is proximity: Family members of a veteran should not have to drive a long way to visit the grave of their loved one.

On the federal level, the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs considers 75 miles the maximum distance someone should travel to pay respect to a veteran.

Though state funds would maintain these new veterans cemeteries, the bill stipulates they would have to be located on donated land.

Dewhurst enters Lt. Gov. race

As expected, Republican Land Commissioner David Dewhurst announced last week he would be a candidate for lieutenant governor.

That pits him against Sen. David Sibley of Waco and state Supreme Court Justice Grey Abbott in the spring primary.

Assuming Democrat former Comptroller John Sharp doesn't end up with any competition, the winner of the Republican free-for-all will face Sharp in November.

In announcing last week, Dewhurst stressed one thing that won't endear him with Texas' 250,000 state employees: "It's not credible to me to believe that of 250 agencies, boards and commissions in the state of Texas that the Land Office is the only one with a little fat."

When he took over the Land Office from longtime commissioner Garry Mauro, the 55-year-old Dewhurst gave pink slips to 10 percent of his employees and slashed the office's budget by one-fourth.

While he left the Land Office with a smaller budget and fewer people, political insiders say he is the Republican with the most money available to spend in the 2001 election campaign.

Vertical means young

Many Baby Boomers remember when driver licenses were printed on heavy paper.

Those wanting a fake ID needed little more than a sharp knife, some glue and someone else's expired license to create a license "proving" they were 21.

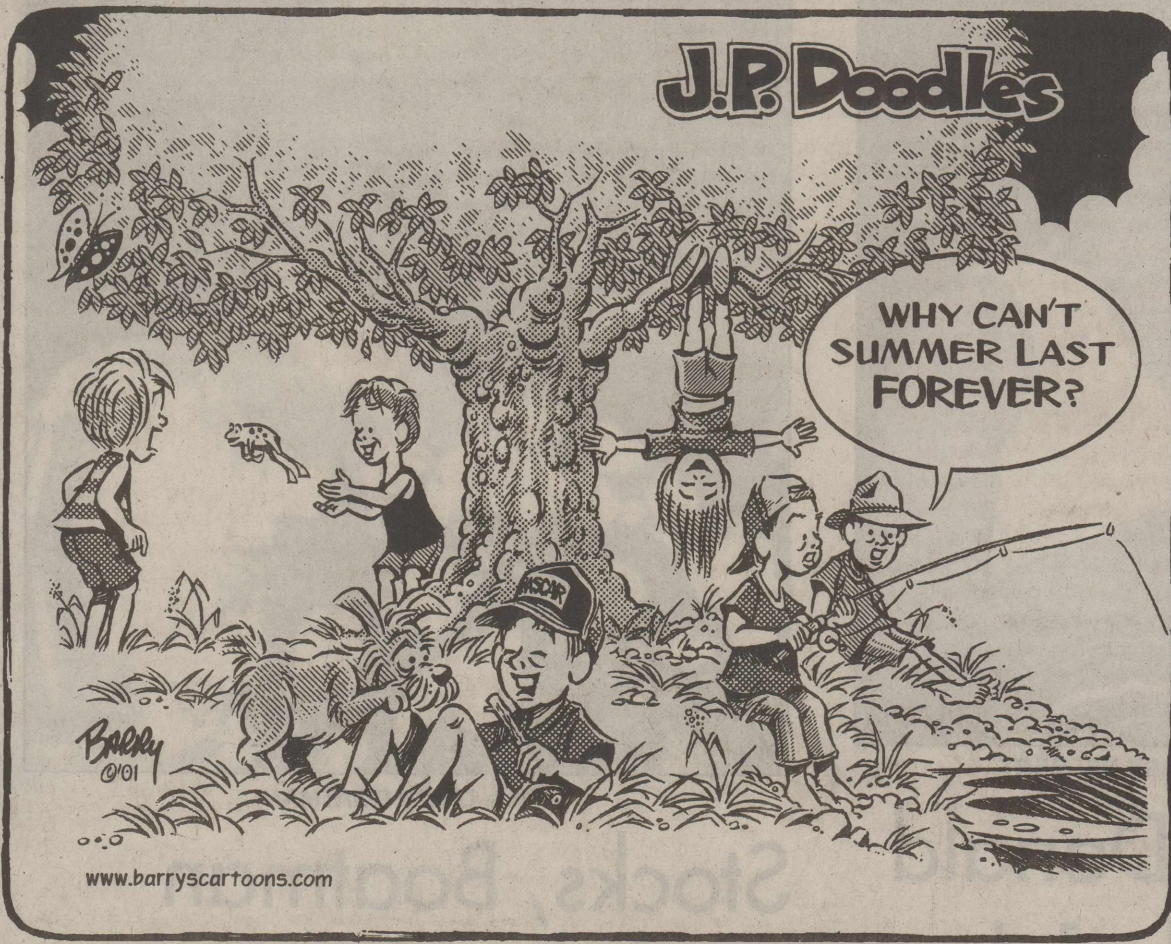
Those days are long gone and getting longer gone.

The Department of Public Safety has unveiled a new, vertically-formatted DL (DPS talk for driver license) that those younger than 21 will receive when they get their license or renew.

Licenses of those older than 21 will continue in the same horizontal format.

The new licenses also feature an image of the Capitol in the background. Both adults and minors will get the new artwork, but only minors will have up-and-down oriented DLs with the licensee's picture in the lower right corner.

To make them harder to counterfeit, the DPS also has added some security features to both styles of licenses.



From The Inside Out

By Mary Kaigler

Have you ever wondered why the English language is hard for some to learn? A list of sentences faxed me by son-in-law Bud Walker points out what may be some of the reasons why English is hard for those of another 'mother tongue' to learn to read and write, (or for that matter, even some of us.) Consider the following examples.

- 1) The bandage was wound around the wound.
- 2) The farm was used to produce produce.
- 3) The dump was so full that it had to refuse more refuse.
- 4) We must polish the Polish furniture.
- 5) He could lead if he would get the lead out.
- 6) The soldier decided to desert his dessert in the desert.
- 7) Since there is no time like the present, he thought it was time to present the present.
- 8) A bass was painted on the head of the bass drum.
- 9) When shot at, the dove dove into the bushes.
- 10) I did not object to the object.
- 11) The insurance was invalid for the invalid.
- 12) There was a row among the oarsman about how to row.
- 13) They were too close to the door to close it.
- 14) The buck does funny things when the does are present.
- 15) A seamstress and a sewer fell down onto a sewer line.

- 16) To help with planting, the farmer taught his sow to sow.
- 17) The wind was too strong to wind the sail.
- 18) After a number of injections my jaw got number.
- 19) Upon seeing the tear in the painting I shed a tear.
- 20) I had to subject the subject to a series of tests.
- 21) How can I intimate this to my most intimate friend?

Lets face it-English is a crazy language. For instance:

There is no egg in eggplant nor ham in hamburger; neither apple nor pine in pineapple. Sweetmeats are candies, while sweetbreads, which aren't sweet, are meat.

If we explore the paradoxes of our language we find that quicksand can work slowly, boxing rings are square and a guinea pig is neither from Guinea nor is it a pig. And why is that writers write but fingers don't fing, grocers don't groce and hammers don't ham?

If the plural of tooth is teeth, why isn't the plural of booth beeth? One goose two geese. So one moose two meesse?

Doesn't it seem crazy that you can make amends but not one amend; that you can comb through annals of history but not a single annal?

If you have a bunch of odds and ends and get rid of all but one of them, what do you call it?

If teachers taught, why didn't preachers praught? If a vegetarian

eats vegetables, what does a humanitarian eat?

Isn't it odd that people recite at a play and play at a recital; ship by truck and send cargo by ship; have noses that run and feet that smell?

How can a slim chance and a fat chance be the same, while a wise man and a wise guy are opposites?

How can overlook and oversee be opposites, while quite a lot and quite a few are alike?

Have you noticed that we talk about certain things only when they are absent?

Have you ever seen a horseful carriage or a strapful gown? Met a sung hero or experienced requited love? Have you ever run into someone who was obmobbulated, grunted, ruly or peccable? And where are all those people who ARE spring chickens or who WOULD actually hurt a fly?

We may have to marvel at the unique lunacy of a language in which our house can burn up as it burns down. One in which we fill in a form by filling it out and in which an alarm goes off by going on.

English was invented by people, not computers, and it reflects the creativity of the human race (which, of course isn't a race at all).

That is why, when the stars are out, they are visible. However, when the lights are out, they are invisible. That is why, when I wind up my watch, I start it, but when I wind up this column, I end it.

Texas Runaway Hotline launches statewide campaign

The Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services (PRS) recently launched a statewide media campaign in conjunction with the Texas Runaway Hotline to reach as many runaways, troubled youth and families as possible, according to Hotline Director, Jay Smith.

"Our campaign continues throughout the summer months when most youth are out of school," states Smith. The hotline's campaign includes more than 150,000 pieces of prevention materials, billboards, bus placards and new public service announcements for television and radio directed toward troubled youth and families who may be in need of hotline services.

"In Texas, an estimated 100,000

children ages 7 to 17 run away annually," Smith said. "Whether they are in large cities or small towns, runaway youths are vulnerable to a wide variety of crimes including assault and sexual exploitation." Hotline staff and

volunteers provide crisis intervention, telephone counseling and information and referral services.

For additional information, call the hotline's toll-free number 1-888-580-HELP (4357).

Births

Randy and Donna Waggoner of Weinert are proud to announce the arrival of their son, Garrett Keefer Waggoner, born Thurs., May 24. He was born at 12:36 p.m. at Hendrick Medical Center. He weighed 7 lbs., 2 1/2 oz. and measured 19 inches long.

Garrett was welcomed home by his big brother Aaron.

Maternal grandparents are Donald and Gracie Griffis of Weinert. Paternal grandparents are Marion Waggoner and the late Mattie Waggoner of Munday.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Mary,

I enjoy scanning the Free Press each week. Recently, I much enjoyed two issues, the nice article about moving the library into the old Hassen Building and the one about the Minister of Music, Ford Cole, retiring after 20 years at the Baptist Church.

These are not only interesting, well written, but stimulated many warm memories. I well remember our pleasant conversation during our impromptu visit to your home about a year ago.

All the best,
Frank C. Spencer, M. D.
Professor of Surgery
NYU Medical Center

From Out of the Past

From the files of
The Haskell Free Press

20 Years Ago June 18, 1981

Angelo State University track and field coach David Noble has announced the signing of Kerry Therwhanger to run track for the Rams. Therwhanger was fourth in the Class 2A long jump this year and has a best of 23-4 in the event.

Haskell trapshooter Jodie Kennedy won two trophies during the Texas State Trapshoot in San Antonio.

Charles Thornhill was elected president of the Texas Trapshooting Association.

New officers of the Haskell Lions Club are Dusty Garrison, tail twister; Lee Bahney, secretary; Mike Struve, song leader; Joe Alves, president; and Marty Jacobsen, second vice president. Brian Burgess is the retiring president.

30 Years Ago June 24, 1971

Tom Watson was re-elected Fire Chief for the 12th straight year. Other officers are John Watson, secretary-treasurer; Belton Duncan, chaplain and Chester Hodgin, fire marshal.

New officers for the Haskell Lions Club are Bud Pogue, president; Joe Williams, vice president; Gene Long, second vice president; H. O. Abbott, third vice president; W. O. Tooley, secretary-treasurer; Wm. D. Reed, lion tamer; Wallace Cox, Jr., song leader; and Ellen Walling, pianist-sweetheart.

Larry Hartsfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hess Hartsfield and a 1971 graduate of Haskell High School, is a recipient of the Clark Foundation Scholarship.

40 Years Ago June 22, 1961

Paulette Allen of Haskell was top point winner in the 16-19 age class in the Hamlin Junior Rodeo. She won a hand-tooled saddle.

Rodney Douglas Davis, 1960 graduate of Haskell High School, received the Distinguished Student award.

Charlotte Redwine, a HHS senior, has been selected as Haskell sponsor at the Texas Cowboy Reunion held in Stamford. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charley Redwine of Haskell.

"The Alamo" is showing at the Texas Theatre. The movie stars John Wayne and Richard Widmark.

50 Years Ago June 21, 1951

R. W. Herren, local ginner and civic leader, has been appointed to the Industrial Committee of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

Emma Jean Walton, a student at Hardin-Simmons University, is spending the summer at home in Rochester.

A. C. Brewer, Nancy Fay Burton and Wanda Faye Smith are attending the first term of summer school at Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene.

R. B. White has opened a fruit and vegetable stand. It is located across the street from Spencer Lumber Company in Haskell.

90 Years Ago June 24, 1911

Last week Earl Cogdell, owner and manager of the Haskell Oil Mill, made one of the biggest shipments of cotton seed oil ever made from West Texas. He shipped a train of ten cars that he sold to N. K. Fairbanks & Co., the Cottolene people. The shipment was about 100,000 gallons in round numbers and sold for \$42,500. The supply goes to Chicago, Cincinnati, New York and New Orleans to supply the Cottolene plants in those cities.

W. P. Whitman left last Wed. for Philadelphia as a delegate to the World's Baptist Convention.

I. P. Carr and J. L. Jackson left Mon. night for St. Louis to purchase fall stocks. The goods will arrive in time for the opening of their store in the new Pierson Building Aug. 1.

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Mockingbird and Bluebonnet reading awards given to Rule students

Tues., Apr. 16 the Bluebonnet Award Presentation program was held in the Library Media Center of the Rule School.

Grades 3-5 participate in the program. Twenty books are chosen by the Bluebonnet Committee.

Each student must read at least five in order to vote for the winners. Thirty-three students qualified to vote.

Cook-a-Doodle-Do! was the winner with 22,665 votes.

Regular Guy was second and Riding Freedom was third.

Each of the thirty-three students received a certificate. Students and teachers were served chocolate chip cookies and lemonade after the program.

Dr. McCrae, principal, presented the certificates.



BLUEBONNET AWARDS—Rule third graders who received Bluebonnet Awards were (l-r): Joseph Turner, Sonja Camacho, Victoria Benavides, Kayce Wilcox and Kate Rowan.



MOCKINGBIRD AWARDS—Rule Kindergarten students attending the Mockingbird Awards program were (l-r): Brandon Cooper, Darrell Williams, Rocio Ortega, Courtney Easterling, Daniel Turner and Lacy Tabb.



BLUEBONNET AWARDS—Rule fourth graders receiving Bluebonnet Awards were back row (l-r): Zeb Petty, Rance Sorley, Kristy Judd, Kelsie Miller, Stephen Anderson, Brittany Barnett, Ryan Anderson, Richie Rogers and Andrew Hertel. Front row: Molly Dudensing, Morgan Lisle, Lacey Stephens, Lee Jones and Joshua Ramirez.



MOCKINGBIRD AWARDS—Rule first graders attending the Mockingbird Awards program were (l-r) back row: Elizabeth Camacho, Norma Camacho, Lizzy Benavides, Kymbre Kupatt, Ty Rhoads and Jacob Perez. Front row: Chanler Robertson, Jordan Ottaway and Clay Morros.



BLUEBONNET AWARDS—Rule fifth graders receiving Bluebonnet Awards were (l-r): Stephen Pace, Kyle Simpson, Story Trussell, Adam Vasquez, Joey Williams, Kiel Rowan, Kyna Scheets, Jessie Magallon and Stephanie Stowell.



MOCKINGBIRD AWARDS—Rule second graders who attended the Mockingbird Awards program were back row (l-r): Rebecca Ortega, Juanita Ortega, Stephanie Threet, Shalisse Vanderbilt, Cade Brown and T. J. Roberts. Front row: Morgan Hamilton, Samantha Benavides, Wesley Anderson and Jenny Dudensing.



THREE YEAR AWARDS—These Rule fifth graders were recognized for participation in the Bluebonnet Awards program for three years (l-r): Kyle Simpson, Stephen Pace, Adam Vasquez, Kiel Rowan and Jessie Magallon.

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ECC Calendar and Menu

Mon., June 25
 Lunch-Meatballs/mushroom gravy, noodles, cole slaw, green beans, fruit cobbler, bread, milk, tea or coffee

Wed., June 27
 11:00 a.m. Outreach Health Services blood pressure check
 Lunch-Lasagna, carrots, tossed salad, bread pudding, bread, milk, tea or coffee

Fri., June 29
 Lunch-Ham, cranberry sauce, hominy casserole, carrot salad, fruited Jello, bread, milk, tea or coffee
 Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.
 All over 60 are invited to come and eat. Call 864-3875 for transportation to the center or for home delivered lunches for the sick or disabled.

Haskell Summer Lunch Menu

June 25-29
 Milk served daily.
Monday: Pizza, coleslaw, corn, Shape-ups frozen treat
Tuesday: Chicken nuggets with cream gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, apple crisp
Wednesday: Ham and cheese sandwich, assorted chips, vegetable sticks, orange wedges
Thursday: Steak fingers with cream gravy, baked potato, tossed salad, Texas toast, Sunshine bar
Friday: Cheeseburger, tater tots, lettuce/tomato, vanilla ice cream cup with topping

Students in the News



KOURTNEY BEAUCHAMP

Kourtney Amelia Beauchamp graduated from Wylie High School, Abilene, Fri., May 25. Commencement exercises were held in Moody Coliseum on the ACU campus. She graduated as an honor student and a Texas Scholar. Beauchamp plans to attend Baylor University in Waco in the fall. She plans to study Christian media ministry. Beauchamp is the granddaughter of Dan and Earlene Griffith of Haskell.

the daughter of W. O. and Mindy Elmore.

Students must earn a 3.5-3.64 grade point average to be named to the Honor Roll.

Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, announces that four Haskell County residents made the HSU honors lists for the spring 2001 semester.

Amy Aycock, Angela Aycock and Melissa Tatum, all of Haskell, made the President's List.

The HSU President's List honors students who completed at least 12 semester hours with a 4.0 grade point average.

Leigh Ann Reel of Paint Creek made the Honorable Mention Roll.

The HSU Honorable Mention Roll honors students who completed from 6 to 11 semester hours with a 3.6 grade point average.

Keith Medford of Paint Creek is on the Spring Semester Dean's List of McMurry University, Abilene.

To be eligible for the honor, a student must maintain a 3.5 out of 4.0 Grade Point Average during the semester and take 12 or more hours.

Marci Elmore of Haskell was named to the Honor Roll for the spring semester at Howard Payne University.

A communication major, she is

Corey A. Breckel of Haskell received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from Midwestern State University during the spring 2001 graduation.

This Week's Devotional Message:



The word "conservation" should become increasingly a part of our everyday vocabulary; not just as an expression but as a mandate to preserve our environment and ultimately, life itself. When God gave us this planet for our home, He did so as a sacred trust, expecting us to take care of it as conditions warrant. For example, in a normally dry area or during a periodic drought, it is only

common sense not to waste water. And with our landfill disposal sites growing into towering mountains, it behooves us to recycle containers or re-use them as best we can, to at least slow down the process. Learn at your House of Worship that the earth is ours to inhabit and enjoy, but also to maintain; so let us assume our share of the responsibility for it. It's the only home we'll ever have.

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.
 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
 Henry Chisholm, temporary supply
 Sun. Morn. 9:30 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.m.
 401 S. Ave. D, Haskell

Hopewell Baptist Church
 John Lewis, pastor
 Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
 908 N. Ave. A, Haskell

Greater Independent Baptist Church

Samuel Blackwell, pastor
 Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.
 301 N. 3rd St., Haskell

New Covenant Foursquare
 Bill and Renee Glass, pastors
 Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.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

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
 Stan Leaf, pastor
 Sun. Morn. 9:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
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RULE

First Baptist Church
 Scott Hensley, pastor
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
 1001 Union Ave., Rule

Primitive Baptist Church
 Dale Turner Jr., pastor
 First & Third Sundays 10 a.m.
 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

Primera Iglesia Bautista
 Arturo Jr. Flores
 Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
 Elm Street/Hwy 380 E, Rule

Sweet Home Baptist Church
 Bill Trice, pastor
 Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.
 Gladstone Ave., Rule

West Bethel Baptist Church
 Rev. Robert Sweet
 Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.
 300 Sunny Ave., Rule

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
 Chris Powell, pastor
 Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 7 p.m.
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Weinert Foursquare Church
 Rev. Robert Harrison
 Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.
 Weinert

ROCHESTER

Church of Christ
 Steve Willis, minister
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
 West on Main Street, Rochester

First Baptist Church
 Troy Culpepper, 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

Art Show and Sale set July 4-7 in Stamford

The 28th annual Stamford Art Foundation Show and Sale is July 4-7 with the Preview Party July 3. The Art Show is held at the John Selmon Memorial Gallery and is in conjunction with the Texas Cowboy Reunion. All proceeds from the show benefit the West Texas Rehabilitation Center.

Thirty-two artists will be featured at this year's event, which is dedicated to Dr. Tony and Maxine Selmon. The Selmons' love of art they share is expressed through their continued support for the Art Foundation since its founding in 1974.

Artwork in the show and sale will include oil and watercolor paintings, pencil drawings and bronze sculptures with a Western influence.

The participating artists are: Barry Arthur, Brian Asher, Bill Barrick, George Boutwell, Lynn Brown, R. Russell Brown, Garnet Buster, Hugh Campbell, III, Marianne Caroselli, David Clark, Robert DeLeon, Curtis Dykes, Paul Friske, Steve Grey, Richard Harvey, Erwin Hearne, Shirley Hullum, Jan Hurlley, Melissa Kohout, Daniel Maldonado, Theresa Martin, Bob Moorhouse, Tom Paulson, Paul Cameron Smith, Larry Smitherman, Paul Tadlock, Kay Walton, Gary Ward,

Jim Ward, Douglas Weaver, K. W. Whitley and Paul Wylie.

The art for the show can be seen for the first time at the Preview Party July 3 at 6:30 p.m. Twenty-eight of the artists will be in attendance. A steak dinner by Joe Allen's will be served and the music of the Billy Bob Bud Band will be enjoyed. A highlight of the evening will be the "Quick Draw" event in which twelve artists are participating. In this contest, artists will be given one hour to complete a painting and then the artwork will be auctioned. A drawing for two \$100 gift certificates to be used toward the purchase of any artwork in the show will be held after the auction.

Reservation for the Preview Party are requested and can be made by writing the Stamford Art Foundation, Box 609, Stamford, Texas 79553 and enclosing a check payable to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center. Tickets for the Preview Party are \$30.00 each and may be purchased at the door.

The John Selmon Gallery will be open July 4-7 from 10 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Additional information for the Preview Party or show may be obtained by calling Ann Kinney at 915-773-2690.

Erma Liles recognized

Erma Liles of Weinert received special honors at the Delta Kappa Gamma Society State Convention in Lubbock, June 14-17, which was attended by 973 members.

Liles, who was initiated into the Haskell Beta Chi Chapter of the teachers organization in 1938, was

named the oldest in the state in years of membership during a birthday luncheon honoring those with fifty or more years of membership.

The theme of the Lubbock convention was, "Expanding Our Horizons-Ensuring Our Future."

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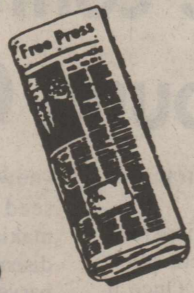
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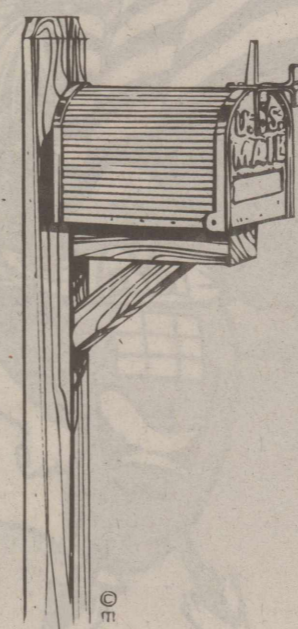
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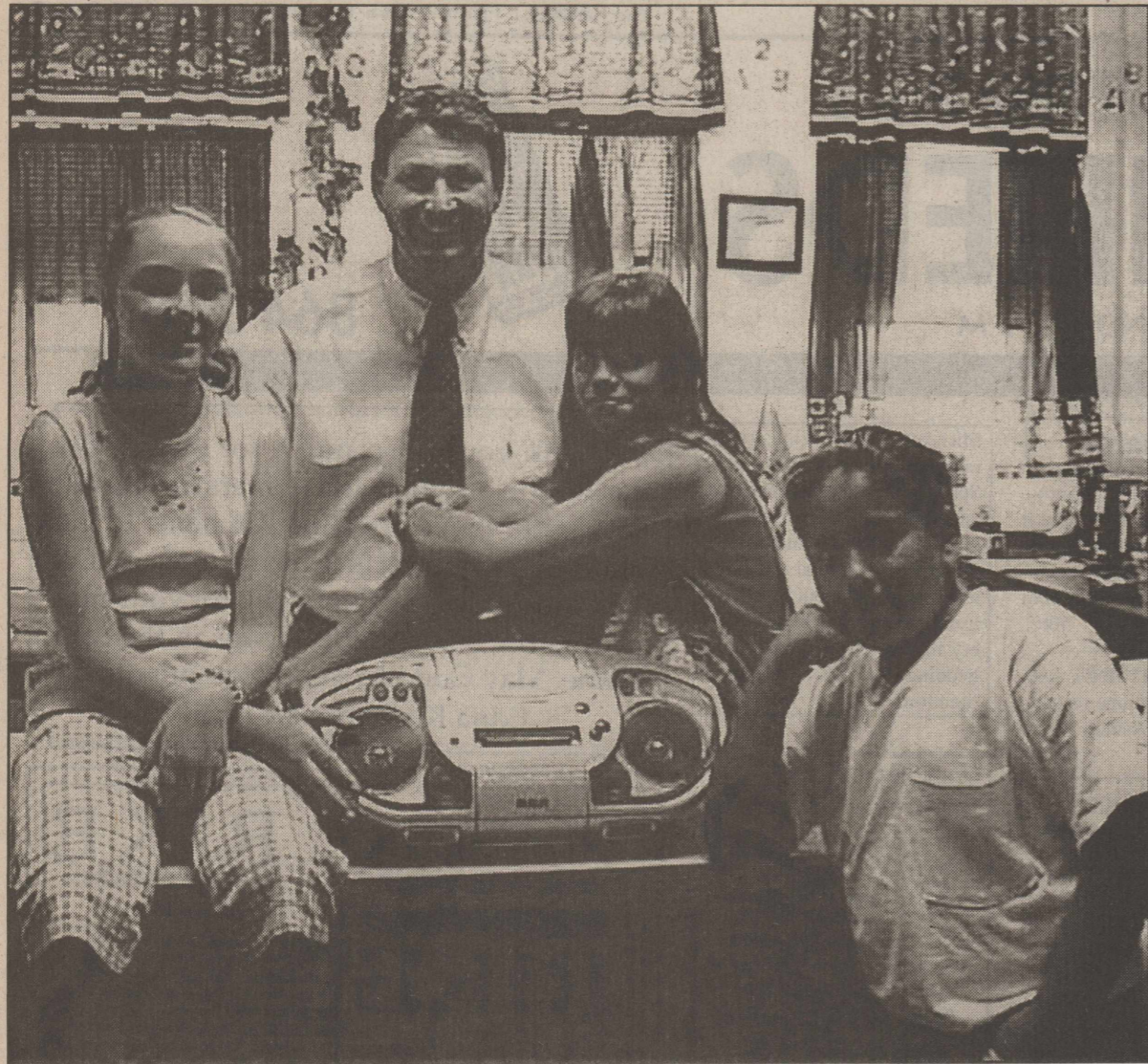
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JAM BOX WINNERS—Ashley Foster, 6th grader, left; Molly Agraz, 4th grader, center; and D. J. Rodriguez, 5th grader, were winners of the jam box drawing held during the annual awards program. 4th, 5th and 6th grade readers who had good grades on 80% of their Accelerated Reading tests entered the drawing. The group is shown with Haskell Elementary Principal, Jimmy Lisle.

Morgan Cox to participate in District 4-H Horse Show

by Brandon Anderson
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
Top young riders throughout the Rolling Plains District 3 will match their skills June 21-23 in the annual Rolling Plains District 3 4-H Horse Show in Vernon.

More than 200 4-H'ers will compete in showmanship, roping, reining, western pleasure, western riding, western horsemanship, pole bending, barrel racing, stake race and futurity classes. In addition to prizes and ribbons, 4-H'ers from the Rolling Plains will represent the District in the State 4-H Horse

Show later this year. Representing Haskell County will be Morgan Cox, daughter of Bill and Susan Cox. She will be competing in the pole bending, barrel racing and stakes race.

Competition will be held at the Finley Bradley 4-H Arena in Vernon. Thurs., June 21, reining will begin at 2:00 p.m. and working cow horse competition will begin at 4:00 p.m. Roping preliminaries and finals begin at 6:00 p.m. Team penning begins at 9:00 a.m. Fri., June 22. Yearling futurity halter competition begins

at 2:00 p.m. English events are scheduled to start at 3:00 p.m. Two-year old western pleasure futurity and three-year old stock-horse futurity competition begins at 4:00 p.m. Timed event preliminaries will follow an award ceremony which is scheduled for 5:00 p.m.

Saturday events begin at 8:00 a.m. with showmanship followed by halter classes, western pleasure and finals and western horsemanship and finals. Timed events finals begin at 2:30 p.m. followed by an awards program.

Karnal Bunt disease confirmed in Throckmorton/Young Counties

by Brandon Anderson
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
Karnal bunt, a fungal disease of wheat, has recently been confirmed in the Throckmorton/Young county area, as well in the San Saba/McCulloch area. Karnal bunt is a foreign disease first introduced in Texas in 1997. It is quarantined by the USDA-APHIS, as well as agricultural officials in many wheat importing countries. An Emergency Declaration for Young and Throckmorton Counties has been announced by APHIS (Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service). All grain must be sampled, tested and approved before being delivered to the elevator and moving through the normal marketing channels. Also, all grain harvesting equipment must be cleaned (with steam, bleach, or water that is at least 170 degrees F) before leaving the two county area.

Karnal bunt derives its name from the town of Karnal, India where it was first discovered in the 1930's. It was reported to occur in northwestern Mexico in the early 1970's. The Karnal bunt fungus was first discovered in the U. S. in March of 1996 in Arizona.

Karnal bunt is a fungal disease that can potentially infect wheat, durum wheat and triticale. It does not infect barley, rye, or oats. The disease often cannot be easily detected in the field. Developing kernels are randomly infected and not all of the seeds per heads or heads of one plant are infected. Infected portions of the kernels will have a black powdery spore mass at the embryo end, which will extend along the crease. The infected kernels will have a fishy odor similar to that of common bunt. While Karnal bunt can affect the color, odor and palatability of flour and other foodstuffs it does not present a risk to human or animal health. It generally will have minimal impacts on grain yield.

While grain and fields may be quarantined, the major problem faced by Rolling Plains wheat growers could be associated with

future grain export trade from this region.

Karnal bunt can be dispersed through contaminated seed, plant parts, soil and equipment. Once it is established in the field, infection occurs from spores, which can lie dormant for a prolonged period of time in the soil. The teliospores of Karnal bunt can persist in the soil or in smutted seed and on seed from 2-5 years. While seed treatments may reduce the germination of Karnal bunt, they are not 100% effective in eliminating the disease. There is also no effective chemical control once the disease has infected the plant. The most effective ways to prevent introduction of Karnal bunt is through a combination of practices, including planting only good quality conditioned seed from a

known reputable source, use of seed treatment fungicides and making certain not to transfer the disease between fields on tillage or harvest equipment.

For more detailed information on Karnal bunt APHIS has a web page located at <http://www.aphis.usda.gov/oa/bunt/>. Also Kansas State University has publication entitled Karnal Bunt Questions and Answers located at <http://www.oznet.ksu.edu/library/plant2/>.

Currently the details on additional quarantine requirements for the region are unknown. As more information becomes available from APHIS, it will be passed along. An educational meeting is being planned for the Rolling Plains for the near future.

Be careful in the heat

As temperatures climb this summer, so will the number of people suffering heat-related injuries: heat exhaustion or heat stroke.

The elderly and very young are especially susceptible to heat injury, says Dr. Carl Menckhoff, assistant professor of emergency medicine at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas. But injury is preventable with a few, easy precautions.

Keep those most at risk in air-

conditioned surroundings. If you don't have air conditioning, water evaporation can be cooling.

"One of the ways the body cools itself is through evaporation," says Menckhoff. "Spray yourself with mist from a water spray bottle. Then sit in front of a fan."

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