Calendar

Paint Creek School to register Aug. 1

Paint Creek will register all students for school Wed., Aug. 1 beginning at 9 a.m. All students, new and former, need to come to registration for scheduling and locker assignments. New students should bring their birth certificate, social security card and health records. Classes will start Thurs., Aug. 9 at 8 a.m. For more information call the school at 864-2471.

Play night set

Haskell Horse Club will sponsor a point playnight July 28 at 7 p.m. Events will include barrels, flags and poles. Age groups are 8 & under novice, 8 & under regular, 9 through 12, 13 through 15, and 16 through 19. An open barrel race will also be held. 55 Alive driving course

An AARP 55 Alive safe driving course will be held Aug. 6 and 7 from 1 to 5 p.m. sponsored by the Experience Citizen Center at the Haskell National Bank Community Room. Cost is \$10. Contact Florence Peden at 864-3875 for reservations and details.

Erased concert

First Assembly of God in Haskell will present Erased of Waxahachie in concert Sat., July 28 at 7 p.m. and Sun., July 29 at 11 a.m. Other activities will include games, videos, skits and food. Pastor J. C. Amburn invites everyone to attend.

Social Security

A representative from the Social Security Administration will be in Haskell at the old City Hall annex, 305 N. 1st, Thurs., Aug 2 at 9:30 a.m.

Berryhill reunion

The Berryhill reunion will be held in the V.I.P. building in Stamford Sat., July 28 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Calf roping

A calf roping will be held Sun., July 29 at 1 p.m. at the Longs Indoor Arena in Abilene. For information call J. W. Wallace 864-3509 or Tim Layman 864-8500.

Booster Club

The Booster Club will meet Thurs., July 26 at 7:30 p.m. at the field house in the back of the school. Coach Brunson invites everyone to attend.

Iwo-a-days

Football workouts for Haskell High School will begin Mon., Aug. 6. Those who wish to participate must have physical forms turned in to Coach Brunson by Sat., Aug. 4. Forms may be turned in at the field house. Incoming 7th graders must have a physical by the first day of school. No athletic equipment can be issued until physical forms are turned in. For more information call Coach Brad Brunson at 864-

Report for football

Young men wishing to participate in Indian football should report to the field house Mon., Aug. 6 at 7:30 a.m. Practice will begin at 8 a.m. A schedule of events during two-aday workouts is available at the Administration Office or the field house. Eveyone is welcome to attend practice and watch. For more information call Coach Brad Brunson at 864-2539.

TASP test

Haskell High School will offer the TASP test Sat., Aug. 4 at 8:15 a.m. in the high school auditorium. Contact Christye Gannaway at 864-8535 for more information or to reserve a space.

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'The People's Choice'

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By Mary Kaigler After more than sixty years of playing an important role in the Haskell business scene, a living legend has ended its successful run on the fashion stage of West Texas. The famed house of haute couture,

Lane-Felker, is no longer in At the end of the business day,

and Ron Howard began the process of moving everything except the familiar, neat gray building to Burlington, Colorado. During the next few days, truck after truck rolled away toward the north west, filled with stock, fixtures and equipment; removing everything except the memories and mystique

that was the essence of the renowned, up-scale fashion house.

Moving here from Colorado five years ago, the Howards bought the business from Frances Lane and Mattie Felker English, who founded the business in the late thirties

From its beginning in the back end space of their sister-in-law's beauty shop on the square, with a stock of only a few dresses, over the years the two sisters parlayed their dream into the business phenomenon that made a name for itself extending all the way to the New York fashion stage.

Not limiting themselves to the closer markets, the sister team also went to fashion markets on the east

coast and became friends with many top fashion designers and distributors. Each year they brought some of them here for promotionals and pre-season trunk shows in the local store.

Through their combining of an innate sense of fashion savvy, good taste and personal attention to each customer, they earned a reputation that spread and attracted women shoppers from a wide area of Texas and neighboring states. Through the years, many local travelers learned that in the mind of many people from other places, the name Lane-Felker is synonymous with the name Haskell.

This unique, far-sighted ability and courage to see and go beyond the local limits, led to their becoming a role model for fashion merchandising entrepreneurs. The fashion industry's New York publishing giant, Women's Wear Daily, even wrote an article about the two sister's success as astute buyers and unusual merchandisers of fashion in a small town setting.

Adding to the special, personalized, customer attention which became a trade-mark of the quality atmosphere of shopping at Lane-Felker under the original owners, the Howards added the limousine service to area shoppers. Women from neighboring towns who had for years car-pooled for a day-out trip to shop in Haskell, began to enjoy the luxury of being picked up and delivered back to their home, along with their up-scale fashion purchases.

As she packed up for the move to Colorado, where the name of Lane-Felker will now be added to another store front in another city, Joyce Howard spoke of her five years here and of the need for going back to be nearer her children. "I love Haskell, I love my church here and I love my club," she said. But she added that she is looking forward to having daughters, Linda Stovely of Denver and Rhonda Brown of Arapaho, Colorado, become involved with the business, and assist her on trips to market.

There is no doubt that the departure of Lane-Felker will leave a gaping hole in the hearts of many and in the heart of the Haskell business sector. The founders of the business, who worked to build it, and for whom it was named, have lived to see it become a living legend, and a great booster and contributor to the community of which they are so proud to be a part. Both they and the store have been a class act. And as the curtain comes down, it is for sure, going to be hard act for anyone to follow.



LIVING LEGEND LEAVES HASKELL-The well-known, distinctive Lane-Felker signature logo came down July 16, ending a more than sixty year era of fashionable, up-scale merchandising mystique and reputation that reached out across West Texas

and beyond. Owners, Joyce and Ron Howard, are moving and relocating the entire store in Burlington, Colorado. Local painter, Danny Myers removed the sign as Ron Howard waited on the ladder to assist and pack it away for the move.

Haskell Secondary to register

Haskell Secondary School will hold registration Tues., Aug. 7. 7th graders will register at 8:30 a.m. and 8th graders at 9:30 a.m. Freshmen will register at 10:30

a.m., Sophomores at 1:00 p.m.

and Juniors at 2:00 p.m. Seniors

will register at 3:00 p.m. For more information call the Haskell Secondary office at 864-8535 or the Secondary counselor's office at 864-8123.



PACKING UP FOR COLORADO-Lane-Felker, Inc. owner, Joyce Howard, fills cartons and boxes in preparation for the store's move to its new location in the West, where both of the Howard's daughters will now be involved in the operation.



GRASS FIRE IN CITY-About 4:00 p.m., Tues., July 17, a Haskell Volunteer Fire Department unit responded to a call at the Anderson Construction building on Hwy. 380, west of town, where a fire had ignited in dry grass and weeds filled with junk and debris. Although the fire was quickly extinguished, the presence of such fire hazards around town, combined with the hot, dry weather, makes it important for everyone to be extra alert to the dangers of accidental fire, and to remember that the county burn ban is still in effect. Fines can be levied for failure to comply with the ban.

Library Notes

By Joan Strickland

We are all settled in at our new location. At the present moment we will be keeping the same hours as before, except that we will be open during the lunch hours on Thursdays and Fridays, if all goes as planned.

Our new location is 412 North First Street. We are in the old Hassen Building on the north side of the square. We plan to be at this location until enough money is raised to build an addition onto the old library. The pictures and plans of the new library edition can be viewed by appointment, by contacting Brett Anderson at the Church of Christ.

Our summer reading program was a big success again this year. It continues to get larger each year and a big thank you goes to the following businesses and people for making our program a success. Haskell National Bank, First National Bank, First American Bank, Modern Way Food Store, Sonic Drive-In, Dairy Queen, Video Mania, Dr. Wayne Cadenhead, Dr. Bill McSmith, Ernestine Herren and the Young Homemakers of Haskell who organized and presented our

We have a few new services at our new location. We have 26 computers that are available to the public free of charge. These computers are all connected to the Internet and are on a wireless system and are very fast at getting you connected.

Anyone may use these computers after they read and sign the Library Computer and Internet Use Policy. Any child that uses the computer must have their parent or guardian sign the paper. So, parents do not send your child to the library to use a computer unless you have read and signed the policy. We strongly discourage chatting on these computers.

We also have scanners and copiers (black and white and color).

The price for copies is 25 cents each for black and white and 50 cents each for color.

We have added three icons to our desk tops on the computers. These are as follows: Abilene Library Consortium, Net Library and Texas State Library.

Abilene Library Consortium is the card catalog of the Abilene Public Library, Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene Christian University, McMurry University and Howard Payne University. A student or any interested person can browse these catalogs and see if any of these institutions have a book they might be interested in ordering through our Interlibrary Loan program.

The NetLibrary is books on the Internet. You must come into the Haskell Library and set up a virtual library card from one of our computers and then you can download books from the collection online at your home. This service comes from our Big Country Library System and NetLibrary.

The Texas State Library is a site with many, many data bases. Some of them deal with health, jobs, farm information, on line full text magazines and newspapers, journals, books, government agency information, archival materials, history, genealogy, homework and education, literature and criticism, science and technology and Spanish language

Please sign in at the desk and ask for a policy to sign if you have not done so. We will assign you a computer. At the moment we do not have a time limit on the computers, but if they all get busy and someone is waiting, we will ask the person that has been on the longest to close out of their computer and let the next person use it. If you have questions, please feel free to as at the desk.

Past due letters will soon be sent. If you have had more than two notices about past due books, you will receive a letter from the

County Attorney. I try to work with everyone on their books. If you have had sickness, etc. I can adjust your fines accordingly. We do not want to discourage you from using the library we just want to encourage you to follow the rules and return the books in the two week time period.

We invite everyone to come and see our new location and let us know what you think.

Building fund memorials are as follows: Matthew McCord, Sue Pate, Festus Hunt, R. N. Wilson, Allen Davis, Hope Josselet, Johnny Mills, Chat Adams, Jimmy Owens, Lorene McFadden, Howard Reding, Lois Smith and Jimmy Strickland.

A child's book has been donated in memory of Johnny Mills.

A donation has been made in honor of Dr. Wayne Cadenhead. See you at the Library.

Funeral services for Leon Ivey, 75, of Stamford were held Fri., July 20 at First Baptist Church in Stamford with Rev. Vergil Smith of Haskell and Rev. T. C. Melton of Stamford officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Direc-

Mr. Ivey died Wed., July 18 at Hendrick Medical Cen-

Born Feb. 28, 1926 in Haskell County, he was the son of the late James Henry and Georgia Annie Ragland Ivey. He married Bobbie Maxine Culberth March 3, 1945 in Stamford. He retired from Lone Star Gas Co. in 1988 after 34 years of service in Haskell and Munday. He served in the U.S. Army from 1952-53 where he was stationed

His hobbies included square dancing. He was a square dance caller for over 30 years. He called for several clubs

in the Big Country area including the Abilene Country Cousins where he had called since 1980. He called dances in Colorado, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas and in 1976 called for The Folk Life Festival in Washington D.C. He was a member of the National Callers Assn., The Westerners and Abilene Square and Round Dance Assn.

He was very involved with his grandchildren and their activities. He was a big Stamford Bulldog supporter and faithful follower of the high school band activities.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Vernon, Henry, Volly, twin brother Cleon; and sister,

Survivors include his wife, Maxine, of Stamford; one son, Kenny and his wife, Becky, of Stamford; and two grandchildren, Lindsay and Ethan of Stamford.

PD. NOTICE

Aderle Herring

Obituaries

Leon Ivey

Funeral services for Aderle Herring, 66, of Junction were held Wed., July 11 in Junction followed by memorial services at O'Brien Baptist Church in O'Brien. Burial was in O'Brien Cemetery.

Mr. Herring died Sun., July 8 in Shannon Hospital in San Angelo.

Born June 28, 1935 in Haskell County, he grew up in the O'Brien area. He married Doris Sprayberry of Rule Nov. 7, 1955. He served in the U. S. Army, was a member of Junction First Baptist Church and served 33 years as a court reporter mostly with the 216th District Court.

An avid musician, he devoted part of his time each month to playing and singing for the care home and senior center in Junction.

He was a true gentleman, friend to many and devoted

Survivors include his wife, Doris; two sons, Ken and his wife, Cheryl, and Alan and his wife, Lisa, all of Junction; his parents, Ranzy and Adelle Herring of O'Brien; one sister, Pansy Hines of Lubbock; and three grandsons and three granddaughters.

Deadline for Soil & Water Assistance program is July 31

Through a provision of the Agriculture Risk Protection Act of 2000, the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service received approximately 1.5 million dollars in cost-share funds for a new conservation program called Soil and Water Conservation Assistance

The Texas State Technical Committee has recommended that this program be targeted to controlling erosion on private agriculture lands. Cost-share and/or incentive payments will be provided to agriculture producers to install erosion control practices on their farm or ranch. Examples of erosion control practices include grade stabilization structures, terraces, grass waterways, field windbreaks, minimum tillage, critical area treatment and other applicable practices.

"This gives landowners an opportunity to install conservation measures on both grazing land and cropland in non priority areas," said John Burt, NRCS State Conservationist.

Under SWCA, contracts range from five to ten years and the total payment per participation shall not exceed \$50,000. The federal costshare will be 75 percent for eligible

Applications are currently being accepted at USDA Service Centers; however, the deadline is July 31. All eligible applications received prior to the deadline will be ranked. Those applications offering the most soil savings per federal dollar spent will receive the highest priority. For further information call the Haskell Soil and Water Conservation District office at 940-864-8516, Ext. 3.

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Students in the News

More than 3,900 Texas Tech University students qualified for academic nonors lists at the end of

the spring semester. Students who carried 12 or more hours with a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.9 qualified for the Dean's

Among those recognized on the



Dean's List are Jennifer Louise Andress, John Lyle Fouts, Mart Ryan Guess and Robert L Meinzer.

Andress is a junior Multidisciplinary Studies major and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Andress of Haskell.

Fouts is a senior Mechanical Engineering major and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Fouts of Haskell.

Guess is a senior Finance major and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Allen Guess of Haskell.

Meinzer is a sophomore History major and the husband of Gina Meinzer of Haskell.

Texas Tech University had 2,035 students graduate May 12. Among those graduating were

Lonnie Wayne Hodgin, Matthew Williamson McCord and Justin Aaron Lisle. Hodgin graduated with a

Bachelor of Arts degree in Journalism. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Hodgin of Haskell McCord received a Bachelor of

Arts degree in Psychology and graduated Cum Laude. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Gannaway of Haskell.

Lisle graduated with a Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Lisle of Haskell.

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Rolling Plains Groundwater **Conservation District** holds regular meeting

The Rolling Plains Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors held its regular monthly meeting and a public hearing at the district offices in Munday, July 19.

Directors present were David Albus, Gary Max Coltharp, Rudy Hons, Glenn Ray Howell, Dolan Moore, and Ed Murphy, president of the board. Others present were Kim Brockett, secretary, and Mike McGuire, District General Mgr.

At the public hearing previous to the regular meeting, McGuire discussed changes to the Management Plan brought forth by the annexation of Baylor county to the District. Also discussed were changes to the Rules and Regulations made necessary by the Baylor County annexation.

During the regular meeting, with president Ed Murphy presiding, the financial statement, purchases and payments for the period of June 1 through June 30, 2001 were reviewed and approved

The need to purchase the necessary equipment to begin water testing at various wells throughout the three counties in the district (Haskell, Knox and Baylor) was

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presented by McGuire, and discussed by the board. A grant proposal for help with funding the cost of needed equipment and supplies for the water testing will be made to the Water Development Board by McGuire.

The Baylor County Appraisal District Contract for Assessment and Collections Services in 2001, was presented for review and was accepted by the board.

After McGuire informed the board that Baylor County Appraisal District, BCAD, acquires its board members by having one board member from each taxing entity within Baylor County sit on the BCAD board, Glenn Ray Howard was named to hold a seat on the BCAD board of directors.

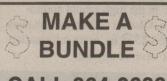
Resolutions were introduced and accepted to adopt the revised Management Plan and the revised Rules and Regulations for the Rolling Plains Groundwater Conservation District.

James Castagna, CPA from Seymour, was hired to be the auditor for the upcoming annual report for the current fiscal year ending, Sept. 30.

The next meeting of the board will be held Aug. 16 in Munday.

Old Glory musical

The Old Glory Musical will be held Sat., July 28 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.



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MR. AND MRS. JAY LOUDER

Wilson, Louder united in marriage

Deborah Wilson and Jay Louder, both of Rule, were married July 7, in ceremony at the First Baptist Church in Rule. Steve Pepper, minister of the First Christian Church of Knox City, officiated.

Parents of the bride are Jack and Suzie Wilson of Rule. The groom's parents are Richard and Kendra Louder of Graham and Jama and Jerry Park of Crossville, Tennessee.

Matron of honor was the bride's sister, Denise Manske of Stamford. Bridesmaids were Megan McCord of Lubbock, Jennifer Page of Olney and Teri Shawver of

Attending the groom as best man was Tim Campbell of Marble Falls. Groomsmen were Michael Hunt of Lamesa, Steve Campbell of Old Glory and Jace Manske of

Lubbock. Ushers were Josh Smith of Rule, Cody Tibbets of Rochester, and brother of the groom, Justin Louder of Graham. Lighting the candles were Sam and Aaron Long,

both of Garden City. During the ceremony, Jason Kerby of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, sang "You Had Me From Hello,"

Caleb Matthew Casillas was

born June 20 at Hendrick Medical

Center in Abilene at 9:15 a.m. He

weighed 7 lbs., 12 1/2 oz. and was

Casillas and Cassie Michelle

Casillas, both of Abilene.

Auxiliary

elects new

New officers were recently

Elected for the 2001-2003 term

The store is open on

elected by members of the Hospital

Auxiliary volunteer organization

which operates the Thrift Store in

were: President, E. C. Collins; Vice-president, Ruby Martin;

Treasurer, Debbie Kreger; Secretary, Oleta Cornelius; and Historian,

Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Proceeds from the sales are used to

furnish items for Haskell Memorial Hospital. Anyone wishing to donate items for sale at the store or

to become a part of the volunteer group which operates the store will

officers

Haskell.

Margie Cardwell.

be welcomed.

McFadden of Haskell.

Parents are Jeremy Lynn

Maternal grandfather is Ricky

Paternal grandparents are

19 inches long.

and "To Make You Feel My Love." Wedding music was provided by Susan LeFevre of Rule, at the

Guests were registered at the reception by Bre Marquis of Rule. Serving at the bride's table were Bre Marquis and the bride's cousin, Mandi Myers of Munday. Attending the groom's table were the groom's sister, Laci Louder of Graham, and Tiffany Ramirez of

Grandparents of the bride are Slick and Peggy Myers of Munday, and Allene and the late R. N. Wilson of Rule. The groom's grandparents are Helen and the late R. H. Louder of Graham, Doris and Hubert Brock of Kentucky, and James and Carol McFadden of

The groom is employed as a Correctional Officer for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice Ware Unit. The bride will be attending Angelo State University in the fall.

After a wedding trip to San Antonio the couple will reside in Colorado City.

Charles and Martha Casillas of

Nettie Mae Watson of O'Brien.

Paternal great grandmother is

Chad and Kristi Gibson and big

Kourtney Lauren was born at

brother Chase, are proud to

announce the arrival of a new baby

Abilene Regional Medical Center at

2:20 p.m., July 12. She weighed 7

pounds, 6 1/2 ounces, and measured

Myatt and Floyd and Ruth

Great grandparents are Henry and

Pansy Harris and Oris and Julia

Cheryl Galloway and Paul and Kelli

Aunts and uncles are Kevin and

Galloway, all of Abernathy.

Gibson, all of Haskell.

Gibson, all of Lubbock.

Maternal grandparents are LaRita

Paternal grandparents are Charles and Pam Gibson of Abernathy.

20 1/2 inches long.

Births



MR. AND MRS. COLIN HOWETH

Blocker, Howeth wed in Las Vegas

Christie Marie Blocker and Colin Lynn Howeth both of Haskell, were married June 24 in a ceremony held in the garden gazebo of A Special Memory Chapel in Las Vegas, Nevada.

The bride was given in marriage by her mother, Jody Biba of Haskell. Parents of the groom are Eddie Howeth and the late Karen Howeth of Haskell.

Attending from Haskell were Bobby Scheets, Creora Tatum and Margarito Lopez.

Following their return to Haskell, the couple was honored with a reception held at the Branding Iron in Rochester, for close friends and family.

The bride attends Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls where she is a candidate for graduation in December, with a bachelor of science degree in Interdisciplinary Studies.

The groom is a May, 2000 graduate of Midwestern State University, with a bachelor of science degree in Kinesiology. He is employed in the Knox City-

O'Brien ISD as a coach and teacher. The couple resides in Knox

Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Karen Pippin is home for a few days. She is spending time in Fort Worth babysitting grandchildren.

Lisa and Lauren of Lubbock are visiting grandmother Vivian

Creora Tatum and Bobby Scheets along with Colin and Christy Howeth of Knox City spent the weekend at Six Flags.

Cloa Parsons and son Cody went with her sister Katy Roysdon of Mansfield. Cloa will be moving there as she has a job at Wal-Mart.

The Muhles had their annual reunion at the Haskell National Bank Community Room Saturday and Sunday. Attending were Joseph Muhle of Rising Star, Lester Muhle of May, Joyce Muhle and Kelly Gendla, Keith Davis and Jessica, all of Abilene, Donnalene Muhle and David, Cundy, Bobby, Amanda, Chance and Gabrielle Muhle of Rochester. Narda and James Ramsey of Abilene,

Hospital

Admissions Reba Harrell, Haskell Callie Moore, Haskell Chester Cunningham, Haskell Dismissals Claudette Wolsh, Mattie English

Caroline and James Anderson of Mansfield and friends Gary and Vickie Hawkins, Mary and Wesley Wilson, Johnny R. Wilson, Annie Ariel and Alice Blair, all of Haskell and Frankie Caldwell of Roche

Marc and Melisa Robison and children of Louisiana have returned home after spending a week with her mom Nedra McCauley and taking care of business.

Lynn Gray of Grapeland spent the weekend with mom Faye Gray. Saturday they went to Abilene and visited with Judy Hicks and family. Woody and Georgia Turnbow of Weinert came over and visited with

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Harvey, McClendon wed

Paula Diane Harvey and Jeffrey Randal McClendon of Arlington, were married June 2, at East Side Baptist Church in Haskell. Paul Irby, Minister of Students at First Baptist Church, Brownwood, performed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Bennie and Connie Harvey of Haskell. Parents of the groom are Randy McClendon and Donna McClendon, both of Garland.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of ivory monece satin with a chiffon overlay bordered with lace trim. Chiffon adorned with lace motifs patterned around the hem and on the train. The empire bodice with lace overlay and long, laced sleeves was buttoned down the back. She carried a bouquet featuring three stargazer lilies, mauve and ivory roses, baby's breath, small pink and ivory flowers, and streaming wisteria blossoms and pearls. The matron of honor was Charisse Felty of Denton. She wore a silver, twopiece, sleeveless top and floor length skirt and carried one stargazer lily with wisteria and roses.

Bridesmaids were Veronica Fuentes of Bedford and Amanda Rapp of College Station. They were attired in navy blue two-piece, floor length gowns. Each one

carried a lily, wisteria and rose bouquet. The bridal ensemble's dresses were made by Mary Paxton of Lubbock, aunt of the bride.

Flower girl was Kristen Richerson of Abernathy. She wore a silver sleeveless dress and halo of mauve roses. The ring bearer was Hunter Jordan of Haskell.

Best man was Thomas Fry of Rowlett. Groomsmen were Jonathon McClendon, brother of the groom, and Russell Roberts, both of Garland. Ushers were Robby Pheil and Ethan Brown, both of Abilene.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the church fellowship hall.

A rehearsal dinner of sausage and brisket was hosted by the groom's parents at Burkett's Family Restaurant, June 1.

A graduate of Haskell High School, the bride attended the University of Texas at Arlington, and is employed at Tom Thumb. The groom graduated from

Lakeview Centennial High School and attended Lincoln Technical Institute. He is employed by Vandergriff Honda.

After a wedding trip to Cozumel, Mexico, the couple is residing in Arlington.

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OPINION



HIGHLIGHTS

By Mike Cox TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — Only 52 percent of eligible Texans voted in last fall's Presidential election.

In the 1998 gubernatorial election, only 32 percent of the state's registered voters turned out to cast their ballot.

With those numbers in mind, both of Texas' political parties are planning concerted get-outthe-vote efforts for the March primary and the November 2002 general election.

Texas Republicans have announced two programs, e-Ranger and e-Wrangler, to encourage turnout in their party.

Democrats don't have a name for their campaign yet, but they are planning one as well.

A nonpartisan effort to register up to a half million Texas voters is planned by the Every Texan Foundation.

Former U.S. Housing Secretary Henry Cisneros likely will be the foundation's board chairman.

Fewer running

Lack of voter participation in the Democratic process is nothing new, but here's a different wrinkle: Fewer people are running for office.

A study completed by the nonpartisan, nonprofit Arkansas Policy Foundation revealed that the number of legislative candidates in Texas dropped in the 1990s.

Texas saw 68 contested primary races for legislative seats sought by 192 candidates in 1992. The numbers decreased to 42 contested races with 94 candidates. That's a 51 percent decrease in candidates.

The likely reason for this is economics: It takes a lot of money to run a campaign.

And incumbents enjoy something like a 95 percent success rate in getting reelected.

Higher home insurance? Insurers doing business in Texas have filed requests for homeowner policy rate increases

averaging 3.5 percent. The two principle industry arguments for rate hikes are the huge losses from the flooding in Southeast Texas caused by Tropical Storm Allison and the growing number of mold damage claims in Texas.

When the insurance industry presented its case at a hearing before Insurance Commissioner Jose Montemayor on July 17, the Insurance Council of Texas' Jay Thompson used meteorological metaphor in talking about mold.

"We are in a media hurricane with regard to mold claims," he said at the hearing.

Premiums might have to be increased by as much as 30 percent if mold-related claims continue at their present rate, said Jerry Johns of the Insurance Southwestern Information Service.

Rod Bordelon, of the Public Insurance Council, argued that there was not sufficient data to increase rates on the basis of mold claims.

The final decision will be up to Commissioner Montemayor.

More on mold

Mold has been around for a long time, but hasn't been a household word until recently.

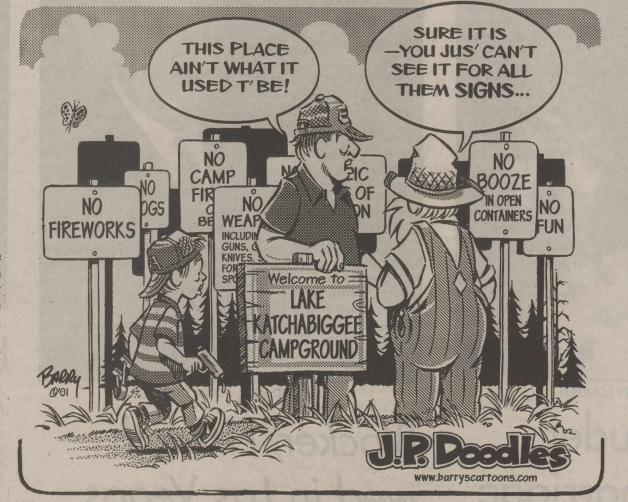
A highly publicized civil suit in Austin has raised public awareness over the possible adverse health effects of mold spore and to what extent insurance should be expected to cover mold damage.

Farmers Insurance has asked the insurance commissioner to exclude mold coverage from household policies in Texas.

The second of three planned public hearings on the issue by Insurance Commissioner Jose Montemyor is set for Aug. 21 in Corpus Christi.

The first hearing was held in Austin on June 26 and the final one will be in Houston on a date

For more on the hearings and the mold issue in general, check the Insurance Commission's website www.tdi.state.tx.us.





From The Inside Out

By Mary Kaigler

In an article in the business section of the Los Angeles Times, sent me by son-in-law Bud Walker, Harvey Mackay, author of the bestseller, "Dig Your Well Before You're Thirsty," talks about the value of people and businesses having and adhering to moral codes and a sound set of beliefs.

In an interesting analogy he says, "Think of cowboys, and what comes to mind are images of John Wayne, campfires, lassos and pickup trucks." He adds that cowboys represent adventure, independence and being able to manage in the worst condition. There is a certain romance to being able to face an unknown frontier and conquer it.

Mackay tells his readers that a lot can be learned from observing cowboys--things like hard work, honor and loyalty. As an employee, no matter where you work, all of those qualities are important, he says. "In other words, a cowboy has the attributes you'd look for in a great employee, boss or business.'

Mackay included a copy of Gene Autry's Cowboy Code, written in 1939, which he calls a "real gem." Allowing for a few politically incorrect phrases, the following code applies to both sexes, he said. (Mackay couldn't

10 Years Ago

president, Edna Anderson,

cheerleaders attended cheerleading

school in Denton and won the

honor to compete in the National

International Cheerleading

Federation in Nashville, Tenn. The

cheerleaders are Heather Hobgood,

Micca Jordan, Shelly Stewart and

Park was completed this week by

The gazebo at Rice Springs

20 Years Ago

July 23, 1981

Howard Sheets, Sr. of

Rochester, a volunteer fireman

with the Rochester Volunteer Fire

Department, is attending the Texas

Firemen's Training School at

Frierson of Haskell and Mikeanna

Wilcox of Rule are attending the

Texas Farm Bureau High School

Citizenship Seminar this week at

Sharon Jimenez, who was listed

in the Students in the News column

last week, is the daughter of Nick and

Baylor University in Waco.

Correction

Eva Jimenez of Haskell.

Monty Moeller and Randall

Texas A&M University

Haskell's junior varisty

presiding.

Heather Stewart.

the City of Haskell.

quite bring himself to call anyone a Cowperson)

The Cowboy must never shoot first, hit a smaller man, or take unfair advantage.

He must never go back on his word, or a trust confided to him.

He must always tell the truth. He must be gentle with children, the elderly, and animals. He must not advocate or

possess racially or religiously intolerant ideas

He must help people in distress.

He must be a good worker. He must keep himself clean in thought, speech, action, and personal habits.

He must respect women, parents, and the nation's laws. The Cowboy is a patriot.

Mackay says he believes that just about any organization would hire a follower of Gene Autry's Cowboy Code, and that such an employee would be a real asset to a company.

"It all comes down to character. Wouldn't it be slick to be able to distinguish the good guys from the bad guys by the color of their hats, as in the movies? Unfortunately, it's not quite that simple," Mackay writes. "But ask any customer, and

you'll discover it doesn't take long to find out which businesses keep their promises, and which do not-and probably won't be around in a few years.

Among the examples given in Mackay's column, was Thomas Watson, Sr., the founder of IBM, who at an early age insisted that his

personal values be reflected in the operation of his new business. His simple values were that the individual must be respected; the customer must be given the best possible service; and that excellence and superior performance must be

When you consider it, even in

this West Texas land of the cowboys, is there room for improvement in any of our business ethics and practices? What business is there in our community that wouldn't find maintaining this value system to be an asset to them, regardless of its size or the

service it provides? In sending me the article written by Mackay, Bud Walker said that when reading it, "I thought about Haskell and the people we meet when we visit there. I think a lot of what Mr. Autry had to say can still be found there (even in the business people.)"

Let us hope so, Bud, and thanks, Pardner.

50 Years Ago

July 26, 1951

Ask the AG

By John Cornyn, Attorney General

Q. I recently received a fancy certificate in the mail informing me that I'd won an all-expenses-paid Caribbean cruise. Is it really the fabulous deal it seems to be?

A: If it seems too good to be true, it probably is. The Consumer Protection Division of my office receives inquiries about these types of offers on a regular basis. Most of these "prizes" are really sales campaigns instead.

In most cases, when you call the listed toll-free number, you will speak with a salesperson who gives you a high-pressure sales pitch. You will be told that you must sign up for the cruise or trip immediately or you will lose this once-in-alifetime chance. In addition, you are promised a free side trip if you sign up right away. If you agree, the salesperson will request your credit card number to confirm your reservation.

However, the deal is probably not what it seems. Important restrictions and additional fees are often buried in the fine print, mentioned in passing by the salesperson, or left out all together.

- Air fare to the place of origin for the cruise is not included.
- Hotel rooms before or after the cruise are not included.
- Departure taxes and fees, which can add up to hundreds of dollars, are not included.
- Hotel, service, and port taxes are not included.

In addition to hidden fees, you may discover too late that the cruise ships or island hotels are of poor quality and the free side-trip is really a visit to a time-share property.

Q: What are some things to look for to make sure the offer isn't a

A: There are several indicators that a travel offer is a scam. First, the cost of a travel package is advertised at a 50 to 75 percent discount. You have no way of telling what the original price was to see if the reduced offer really is a good deal.

Another warning sign is a salesperson's insistence that the offer is for one day only. The salesperson is trying to get you to pay before you have a chance to review all of the details and realize that the offer isn't what it seems to be.

If the salesperson can't, or won't, tell you the name of the cruise line, hotel chain, or airline, or even the name and address of the travel company, you should decline their offer, no matter how good it seems.

Some offers also quote one price up front to lure you in, and then make you pay for additional fees or join a travel club to qualify for the advertised rate.

If the salesperson asks questions about your job and income it could be a sign that the offered vacation package is to a time-share resort. If you don't meet their income requirements, the offer may be rescinded

Q: How can I ensure I am getting the vacation I want?

A: The best way is to deal with a trusted local travel agent or the cruise or airline directly. By shopping around, you can often get a better deal than the offer that came in the mail, and you can be sure that it is legitimate.

Don't pay for a vacation package until you receive complete details, including total price with all added fees, in writing. Make sure that you fully understand all costs that are not included in the package, such as meals or air fare. In addition, you should always pay by credit card so that you can dispute the charges if there is a problem.

If you believe you have been the target of a travel or cruise scam, you can file a complaint with the Consumer Protection Division of my office. You can obtain a consumer complaint form from our Web site at www.oag.state.tx.us or by calling (800) 621-0508.

From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

City Storm Warning July 25, 1991 The Josselet Extension Siren Testing Fridays Homemakers Club met in the home of Hazel Thomas with

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30 Years Ago July 29, 1971

Twelve Haskell students attended a two week band and twirling school at Texas Tech in Lubbock, Twirlers attending were Connie Turnbow, Linda Hartsfield, Lugene Lane, Denise Roberson, Susie McAdoo and Bonnie Adkins. Band camp students were Susan Gilleland, Marilu McCauley and Anna Lou Allen. Junior High School twirlers who attended were Lisa Drinnon, Lisa McBroom and Debbie Stubblefield.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kittley of Rule have returned from several weeks vacation in South Fork,

Linda Brueggeman and Susan Wainscott, Haskell students at Angelo State University, are listed spring semester.

City fireman Floyd (Satch)

Myrtis Ivey and Mary Lee

In recognition of a successful season in Little League baseball,

manager Charles Swinson of the Texas Theatre showed a free movie entitled, "Comanche Station." Guests were all Little League

players, parents and officers in the Little League organization. Weinert Junior R. A. boys attending the camp at Lueders this week are Clyde Childress, Truman Therwhanger, Temple Lewis Jr. and Bill Guess. Rev. Temple Lewis is their sponsor. Miss Wanda Dulaney, executive

on the 3.5 to 4.0 honor roll for the

40 Years Ago July 27, 1961

Lusk is in College Station this week, where he is attending the annual session of the State Fireman's Training School held at A&M College.

Sorrells are attending the Texas Farm Bureau Institute and Training School this week in Mineral

Want ad - Will keep 2 small children, \$1.35 each per day.

90 Years Ago

secretary of the Haskell County

Red Cross chapter, will leave

Friday for St. Louis, Missouri,

where she will assist Red Cross

National Headquarters in the

rehabilitation of Midwestern cities

that have been marred by the recent

July 29, 1911 C. F. Rainwater of the Rose community returned Wednesday from Reagan, Okla., where he had been to see his uncle, C. R. Wood. They had not seen each other in 36

George Courtney shipped a car of brooms from his factory here to parties in El Paso this week. There were 635 dozen brooms in the shipment.

Fever is just a

Is a fever in a child a danger

Not necessarily, according to

Parents naturally worry when

doctors at UT Southwestern

their children are ill, but many

parents overreact when their

children have a fever. That's

according to a study conducted by

doctors in Boston. They found that

more than half the parents they

surveyed believed that fevers were

potentially harmful to children.

They feared that fevers would lead

to seizures, brain damage and even

possibly death. Nearly half of the

parents didn't have a good idea of

what's considered a "high" fever,

thinking that a fever of 102 degrees

high body temperature can lead to

seizures and other problems, there's

a difference between that condition,

called hyperthermia, and a fever. A

The doctors say that while a

Fahrenheit is high.

Medical Center at Dallas.

symptom of illness

Commissioners name election judges, alternates

At the Haskell County Commissioner's Court meeting, June 9th, the following election judges and alternates were named for a one year term:

Box 1- Randy Bowers, Presiding Judge, Flora Pace, Alternate. Box 2-Darold Roberson, Presiding Judge, Helen Wheatley, Alternate.

Box 3-Grace Thomas, Presiding Judge, Debra Bartley, Alternate. Box 4-Emily Medford, Presiding Judge, Peggy Middlebrook, Alternate. Box 5-Pat Kittley, Presiding Judge, June White, Alternate.

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Box 6-Shirley Short, Presiding Judge, Susan Turner, Alternate. Box 7-Mary Ann Palma, Presiding Judge, Audie Johnson, Alternate. Box 8-Joyce Hager, Presiding Judge, Joyce Robertson, Alternate. Box 9-Dave Brown, Presiding Judge, Waller Overton, Alternate. Box 10-Renee Dudensing, Presiding Judge, Joe Clark, Alternate.

On the recommendation of County Sheriff David Haliburton, Dianna Simmons, County Jail Secretary and Administrator, was given a \$50.00 monthly raise.

James Benton was changed from a part-time to full time employee at regular salary with no probationary period.

Steve Hawkins was hired as a full time employee in Precinct 2 on probationary salary.

On the recommendation of County Attorney, Shane Hadaway, Betty Enriquez was taken off probationary salary and put on

A decision was made to leave the Road and Bridge fee at \$10.00.



MR. AND MRS. BOB MAHOOD

Couple celebrates 50th anniversary

The children of Sue and Bob Mahood honored their parents with a 50th wedding anniversary celebration July 21 with a reception in the First Baptist Church Parlor, Odessa. Sue and Bob Mahood were married in the First Baptist Church, Haskell, July 21, 1951, with the Rev. M. D. Rexrode presiding.

The couple has three daughters, Pam Austin of Abilene, Patricia Fogle of Dallas and Kathy McPherson of Odessa. They also have five grandchildren.

Sue Mahood retired from Permian Basin Girl Scout Council in 1994 after 26 years as a Girl

Scout Executive for Girl Scouts U. S. A.

Bob Mahood retired from Homco Division of W. R. Grace after 35 years as a Regional Manager. He then worked for Triple M Oil Tool as a salesman for 8 years, retiring in 1995.

The Mahoods presented their girls and son-in-law with an anniversary cruise to the Western Caribbean in June.

The Mahoods received a letter of congratulations and a certificate from Gov. Rick and Anita Perry and a certificate from the Texas House of Representatives and Buddy West, representative from

Help your child to breathe easier

According to the American child often won't want to eat, but Association for Respiratory Care, the majority of children who are hospitalized are admitted with some form of respiratory tract illness. Such problems range from colds and flu to asthma, allergies, pneumonia, bronchitis, brochiolitis and cystic fibrosis. So in terms of your child's good health, the respiratory system is very important. When children suffer from colds, flu, or allergies, parents suffer right along with them. These tips from the AARC can make both you and your child more comfortable the next time you encounter one of these

1. A child with cold or flu should drink plenty of fluids to reduce respiratory discomfort. Dehydration tends to make respiratory secretions (mucus) thicker, drier and therefore much more difficult to expel. Extra fluids will help keep secretions thinner

and easier to cough up. 2. Efforts should be made to keep the nasal passages clear of excess secretions, but colds and flus also cause nasal membranes to swell, narrowing the air passages. This makes breathing more difficult and it takes more energy to breath through smaller airways. This is one reason we tire so quickly when we are sick. A sick

Whitney, and Winters.

one of the above named cities.

PUBLIC NOTICE

TXU Gas Distribution, in accordance with the Gas Utility

Regulatory Act, hereby gives notice of the Company's intent to imple-

ment a new schedule of rates for natural gas service to be charged to

the residential, commercial and industrial customers in the West

Region Distribution System effective August 2, 2001, and, in the

cities in which they are in effect, to eliminate the Rate Schedule for

Public Schools-N and Commercial Contract Public Schools Rate. The

West Region Distribution System includes Abilene, Albany, Alvarado,

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The rate schedule is expected to furnish an 8.76 percent increase

in the Company's revenues from residential, commercial and indus-

trial customers in the West Region Distribution System. A Statement

of Intent has been filed with each city. If you desire to comment con-

cerning this change of rates, you may contact the City Secretary of

to help alleviate that lack of energy, be sure your child continues to get proper nourishment.

3. If your child has allergies, be sure to replace your air conditioner filter often. Also, some air conditioners have special filters available that can cut down on the presence of allergens in your

4. Common irritants for allergies include dust, cold air, shag carpeting, fur, feathers, pets and stuffed animals. Be aware of any of these that trigger your child's allergies so you can either remove the offending object or replace it with an allergy-friendly alternative.

5. Check the contents labels of stuffed animals if your child has severe allergies. Stuffed toys can be filled with everything from crushed nuts to feathers to moldy fibers; for the highly allergic child you can opt to buy hypoallergenic stuffed

6. Secondhand smoke can have a serious effect on the respiratory health of children. One study shows that children up to two years old whose parents smoke suffer twice the rate of bronchitis and pneumonia as children of

Americans continue to be overweight

Americans are obsessed with physical appearance, but it doesn't seem to be keeping us healthy.

We hear a lot in the news about people who are so obsessed with their weight that they develop eating disorders. But as serious as eating disorders are, they are not the most serious weight-related problem facing Americans. On the contrary, more and more Americans are putting on extra weight. About half the adult population of the United States are considered overweight by national health guidelines. About a quarter of the adult population are obese-30 or more pounds overweight.

Doctors at U-T Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas say that healthy children to have a fever when they get sick and the body seldom lets the fever get high enough to cause harm. Because of parents' fears, they may be giving their children too much medicine to bring fevers down. Doctors found that parents gave children ibuprofen or acetaminophen more often than is recommended. Parents also woke their children often to check their temperature.

fever is a sign that your immune system is working to fight an

infection. It's perfectly normal for

Doctors at UT Southwestern say fever is just a symptom of illness, not an illness unto itself. When you report a fever to your doctor, be sure to look for other symptoms, such as pain, nausea, a rash, lethargy, diarrhea or vomiting. That will help the doctor determine what the real problem is that's causing the fever.

obesity will be the No. 1 publichealth problem facing the nation in the 21st century. Obesity is a major risk factor for heart disease, high blood pressure and diabetes and may also contribute to arthritis, respiratory problems and some cancers.

While obsessing over losing weight to the point of trying unhealthful diets isn't good, neither is weight gain. More people in this country are overweight than underweight. Doctors at U-T Southwestern say one of the best things you can do for your health is keep your overall weight within the recommended range for your height.





Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 823 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., July 21, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

Packer cattle steady; stocker feeders 1-3 lower.

Jersey, longhorn, Holsteins, knots, cripples and bad eyes \$5-\$30

Cows: fat, .38-.45; cutters, .40-.48; canners, .25-.35.

Bulls: bologna, .48-.58; feeder, .68-.80; utility .40-.46.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.15-1.30; 300-400 lbs., .90-1.12; 400-500 lbs., .88-1.00; 500-600 lbs., .85.95; 600-700 lbs., .80-.90; 700-800 lbs., .77-.85; 800-up lbs., .68-

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.00-1.15; 300-400 lbs., .90-1.05; 400-500 lbs., .85-.95; 500-600 lbs., .80-.92; 600-up lbs., .64-.84.

Bred Heifers: medium frame,

Bred Cows: young to middle aged, 625-725; aged or small 475-

Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, 725-850; aged or small, 575-

Wes Pierce receives award

Midwestern State University student Wes Pierce was recently selected as the first recipient of the Texas Professors of Educational Administration Award. Dr. Grant Simpson, MSU professor of education, was the sponsoring professor.

Pierce, who has been named as

new Assistant Principal for Nocona Elementary School, is a 1989 graduate of Rule High School and a 1993 graduate of McMurry University. He is the son of Glen and Helen Pierce of Old Glory. His wife, Tracy Pierce, teaches second grade at Nocona. The couple has two daughters, Kelsey Brooke and Kymbryn Emily.

Use credit card to pay for summer vacation expenses

by Lou Gilly Haskell Co. Extension Agent Vacationing Americans are using credit cards to purchase everything from gasoline to souvenirs. Family economics specialists Sue Lynn Sasser says using a credit card to pay for summer vacation expenses has many benefits.

Credit cards give greater protection against theft than cash. They have a limited liability of fifty dollars if they are used fraudulently by someone else. Sasser says losing fifty dollars is certainly better than losing everything.

Credit cards are good for

unexpected expenses and provide a record of purchases. Rebates, reward points, price protection, extended warranties, lines of credit, and travel insurance are a few other benefits. But there are some important points to keep in mind when using credit cards.

Sasser says credit cards can create problems if not handled carefully. Carrying too many credit cards makes it easy to overspend on vacation and can make it difficult to keep track of them. It's easy to lose one and not even realize it until it's too late. Sasser says using credit cards irresponsibly is a quick way to turn a restful, fun time into a family nightmare.

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Stress can cause acne breakout

The stress teen-agers experience as they head back to school can sometimes leave its mark on their

"Stress can be a catalyst for acne outbreaks because it makes the body produce greater quantities of androgen hormone, which in turn causes some skin glands to pump out more oil," says Dr. Mary Christian, assistant professor of dermatology at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas. "Teens are more prone to this type of outbreak because of hormonal changes.

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A pimple develops when skin cells are not sloughed off in an even manner and oil accumulates. causing bacteria to adhere to the sticky surface. The bacteria produce chemicals that can cause inflammation in the pore and surrounding skin.

Christian says following a simple cleaning regimen will help maintain clear skin.

Wash your face with a gentle cleanser in the morning and evening, but avoid scrubbing and excessive washing because this can irritate skin. Buy makeup and creams that are noncomedogenic won't clog pores - and use them sparingly. And use over-the-counter medications containing benzoyl peroxide to dry up acne both at the surface of the skin and beneath.

Sagebiel earns Doctor of Medicine degree

Tara Lynn Sagebiel, daughter of Dr. Freddie and Carolyn Fischer Sagebiel of Seguin and granddaughter of Henrietta Fischer and the late Herbert Fischer of Haskell, received a degree of Doctor of Medicine from Baylor College of Medicine in Houston Wednesday, May 23.

Sagebiel graduated from Seguin High School in 1993. She received a B. S. degree, cum laude, from Texas A&M in 1997.

She is continuing her education as an intern in Diagnostic Radiology with Baylor College of Medicine Affiliated Hospitals in



TARA SAGEBIEL

This Week's Devotional Message:



GOD'S WORLD OFFERS AN ENJOYABLE ECONOMY VACATION

many people, depending on their interests as well as what the budget will allow. They may travel a great distance in style, go camping in the nearby woods, or just languish in the back yard. All of these places can provide enjoyment and relaxation, being a departure from the normal routine. Moreover, even a low budget

Vacation time can mean many things to vacation can be a learning experience, because it is not necessary to go far in order to observe the wonders of God's creation. They are on display everywhere, in different forms, just waiting for you to discover them. Take your Bible along as a sort of guide book, and remember that wherever you go on your vacation, God will be there to watch over you and protect you.

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. 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

---PAINT CREEK---Paint Creek Baptist Church Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.

·--WEINERT--First Baptist Church Chris Powell, pastor Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 7 p.m. Weinert

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

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

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. Sagerton

> ---RULE--First Baptist Church

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

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

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Cause No. 10,564. Styled: Haskell County Appraisal District v. Ora Lee Clayton. Legal Description; 1. Lot 12, Block 15, Frisco Addition to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause No. 10,569. Styled: Haskell County Appraisal District v. Jackie Dale Isbell. Legal Description: 2. Lot 5, Block 3, McConnell #85 to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.

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and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the 7th day of August, 2001, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the South door of the Courthouse of Haskell County, in the City of Haskell, Texas.

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Given under my hand this 4th day of July, 2001.

David Halliburton Sheriff, Haskell County, Texas

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political affiliation or belief. Closing date for Application: Wednesday, August 1, 2001 at 5:00 p.m. Applications may be picked up at the ASBDC, Inc./Double Mountain Coach, 620 S. Washington Ave., Aspermont, Texas between the hours of 8:00-12:00 and 1:00-5:00 p.m. or the Double Mountain Coach, 307 S. 1st, Haskell, Texas. For more information, you may call (940) 989-2239 or 989-3538. 29-30c

NOTICE To the Citizens of Weinert:

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) sets drinking water standards and has determined that nitrate poses an acute health concern at certain levels of exposure. Nitrate is used in fertilizer and is found in sewage and wastes from human and/or farm animals and generally gets into drinking water from those activities.

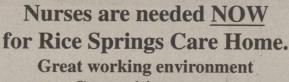
Excessive levels of nitrate in drinking water have caused serious illness and sometimes death in infants under six months of age. The serious illness in infants is caused because nitrate is converted to nitrite in the body. Nitrite interferes with the oxygen carrying capacity of the child's blood. This is an acute disease in that symptoms can develop rapidly in infants. In most cases, health deteriorates over a period of days.

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TNRCC has set the drinking water standard at 10 parts per million (ppm) for nitrate to protect against the risk of these adverse effects. TNRCC has also set a drinking water standard for nitrite at 1 ppm. To allow for the fact that the toxicity of nitrate and nitrite are additive, TNRCC has also established a standard for the sum of nitrate and nitrite at 10 ppm. Drinking water that meets the TNRCC standard is associated with little to none of this risk and is considered safe with respect to nitrate. 30c

NOTICE TO BIDDERS The City of Haskell is accept-

ing bids on approximately 35 blocks to be sealcoated. Bids are to be opened August 13, 2001 at 7:00 a.m. Bid specifications and further information may be obtained by contacting the Haskell City Hall.

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The family of Leon (Slim) Ivey

The family of Paris Anthony Barton wishes to thank friends, neighbors, Cadenhead Clinic, Haskell Hospital staff, Haskell Ambulance techs, Texas Dept. of Human Services, Outreach Health Services, churches of Haskell and nearby towns, our helpers, Eloisa Sota and Jennifer Wren for the special expressions of love, care and concern for our loved one. Your prayers and acts of kindness through food, cards, letters, flowers and memorial gifts have meant so much to our family at this time. May the love of God that Paris preached for 52 years bless each of you.

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PASTOR HONORED FOR VOLUNTEER WORK–Rich Palma was recently presented a plaque for his work for the Noah Project-North, by Service Area Director, Donna Sue Anders, left. Also there for the presentation were Haskell Chief of Police, Tom Bassett and Constable, Kim Bassett. Palma has served on the Advisory Committee and counseled families for Noah. He was also the Noah Project-North representative to the Noah Board of Directors in Abilene.

Summer band schedule listed

The Haskell Indian Band will begin practice for the 2001 marching season July 30. The Band Hall will be open July 30 from 9-12 in the morning and from 1-4 in the afternoon for students to get music.

Practice will be as follows:

July 31 - woodwinds 9-10:30 a.m.; brass 10:30-12:00 noon; percussion 2- 3:30 p.m.; full band 7- 9:30 p.m.

August 1 - full band 9-12 noon; percussion 2-3 p.m.; full band 3-5

p.m.

August 2 - Uniform fittings - Seniors 9-10 a.m.; Juniors 9:30-10:30 a.m.; Sophomores 10-11 a.m.; Freshmen 11-12 noon; full band practice 6-8 p.m.

August 6 - woodwinds 9-10:30 a.m.; brass 10:30-12 noon; percussion 1-2:30 p.m.; full band 7-9 p.m.

August 7 - woodwinds 9-10:30 a.m.; brass 10:30-12 noon; percussion 1-2:30 p.m.; full band 7-9 p.m.

August 8 - full band 9-10:30 a.m.; full band 1-3 p.m.

August 9 - woodwinds 9-10:30 a.m.; brass 10:30-12 noon; percussion 1-2:30 p.m.; full band

August 10 - full band 1-3 p.m.; Fun Night 7-9 p.m.

If you are a new student to the Haskell School District and are interested in becoming a member of the Indian Band, come by the Band Hall July 30 and visit with Michael Copeland.

'Road to Redemption' to be shown by East Side Baptist

Sunday, July 29, beginning at 6:00 p.m., the East Side Baptist Church auditorium will become a movie theater with the showing of a road movie that effortlessly shifts gears from comedy to family, faith and making better decisions.

"Road to Redemption" is a story about foolish choices and second chances. It is billed as tickling your funnybone and tugging at your heart, with hearty laughs, cool cars and renewed relationships.

In the movie, Amanda Tucker (played by actress Julia Condra) and her boyfriend, Alan (played by Jay Underwood), have just done the unthinkable. They have stolen money from an underground bookie

(played by Leo Rossi), only to lose it all on a "sure thing" horse. Now, Amanda is trying to sweet talk an early inheritance out of her rich grandfather, Nathan, so they can return the loot by Friday.

Nathan agrees to give her the money, under one condition. It seems simple enough--take him to his favorite fishing hole. Not a problem, until Amanda realizes that his favorite fishing hole is over 800 miles away in Redemption, Montana.

With the thugs close behind, including boyfriend Alan, who sells her out to save his own hide, Amanda and Nathan lead a rollicking chase into one hilarious

adventure after another. At the same time, Amanda can't help but be affected by her grandfather, Nathan. He has an amazing peace with God and a sincere love for an errant granddaughter.

Ultimately, the movie, "Road to Redemption" reveals that despite our most embarrassing mistakes, it's never too late to start life over.

Produced by World Wide Pictures, the motion picture ministry of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, the film is being shown free of charge to the

After the showing, viewers will be treated to a home-made ice cream fellowship.

City, County sales tax receipts show increase in May purchases

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander has delivered a total of \$219.3 million in monthly sales tax payments to 1,109 Texas cities and 119 counties. July payments are up 5 percent compared to July 2000. Year-to-date, payments to cities and counties are running 5.4 percent ahead of the first seven months of 2000.

The sales tax rebates Comptroller Rylander delivered include \$201.7 million to Texas cities, up 4.9 percent compared to July 2000. Texas counties received July rebates of \$17.5 million, up 6.1 percent compared to a year ago.

In addition to city and county sales tax rebates, \$75 million went to Texas' six metropolitan transit authorities and two city transit systems and \$8.1 million was paid to 59 special purpose districts.

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

Haskell County had a 16.48 percent increase for July, 2001 of \$24,181.74 in comparison to \$20,758.96 for July, 2000. 2001 payments to date of \$202,370.74 reflect a 12.24 percent increase over 2000 payments to date of \$180,291.17.

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Catclaw Creek Boys to sing at PC Baptist

The Catclaw Creek Boys, a singing quartet from Abilene, will be special guests Sunday, July 29, at Paint Creek Baptist Church. The quartet will provide gospel music following the regular Fifth Sunday lunch.

The community is invited to Sunday School at 10 a.m. and worship at 11 a.m. followed by lunch and a special time of singing.

percent increase for July, 2001 of \$23,419.04 in comparison to \$19,814.48 for July, 2000. 2001 payments to date of \$188,682.22 reflect a 13.10 percent increase over 2000 payments to date of \$166,819.25.

O'Brien had a 73.43 percent decrease for July, 2001 of \$9.69 in comparison to \$36.48 for July, 2000. 2001 payments to date of \$640.03 reflect a 8.65 percent increase over 2000 payments to date of \$589.06.

Rochester had a 45.22 percent decrease for July, 2001 of \$229.88 in comparison to \$419.70 for July, 2000. 2001 payments to date of \$3,630.76 reflect a 10.54 percent decrease over 2000 payments to date of \$4,058.63.

Rule had a 7.85 percent increase for July, 2001 of \$495.14 in comparison to \$459.07 for July, 2000. 2001 payments to date of \$8,213.17 reflect a 7.91 percent increase over 2000 payments to date of \$7,610.73.

Weinert had a 4.24 percent

decrease for July, 2001 of \$27.99 in comparison to \$29.23 for July, 2000. 2001 payments to date of \$1,204.56 reflect a 0.73 percent decrease over 2000 payments to date of \$1,213.50.



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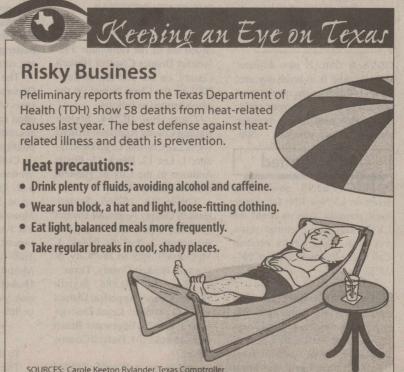
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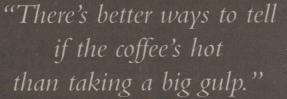
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When Joe Pat Hemphill opened his practice, in 1971, there was only one other veterinarian in the area. "I worked on everything: horses, cattle, sheep, goats, hogs, dogs, cats." He no longer practices, except on his own stock. His wife Alice recently retired from teaching English, but their 12,000 acre ranch still keeps them busy.

Joe Pat and Alice count on co-op power for their ranch. They belong to a Smart Choice cooperative. What's "Smart Choice?" We're a coalition of Texas co-ops committed to making the right decision on electric deregulation.

Our customers are our neighbors. When you call your electric cooperative, chances are you're speaking to the same people you spoke with last time you called, whether that was last month or last year.

Co-ops are local enterprises operated by local people. That means we're familiar with your account and its history. Whether you're calling about billing, installation, maintenance or anything else, you'll get attention from someone with experience and knowledge, someone you know and who knows you – not a temp in a cubicle in a "service center' in another state. We have decided to wait and see how deregulation will affect our members before opting in. Let's let the coffee cool a bit.

Electric cooperatives in Texas have been providing power to Texans since 1937. As co-ops, we are non-profit and member-owned. To learn more about deregulation, visit us at our web site or call your local Smart Choice cooperative.

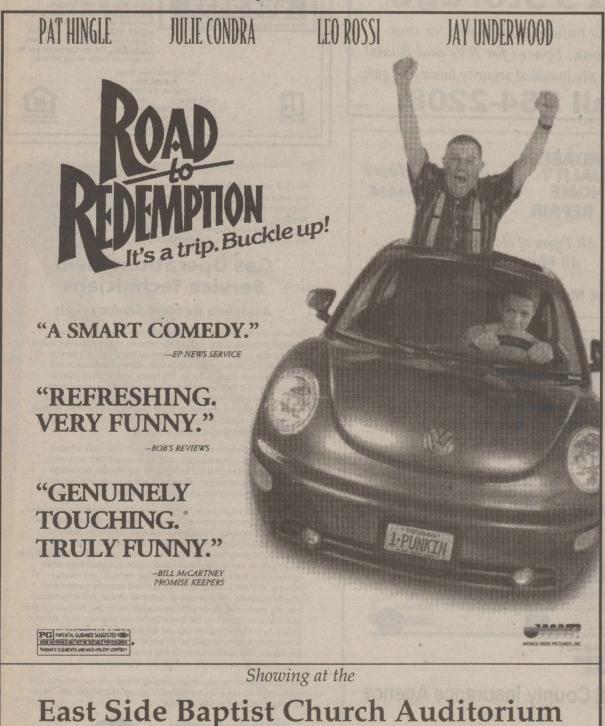


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Join us for a homemade ice cream fellowship after the movie.