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**ANGEL TREE**—Employees of the Rolling Plains Regional Jail and Detention Center collected toys and money to benefit the local Goodfellows drive. Additionally, 81 gifts and books were purchased with money earned from the group's float entry in the Haskell

**Christmas parade.** They also helped at the community Thanksgiving dinner held in November. Pictured are l-r, Warden James Frawner, Beverly Decker, Claire Halliburton, Sid Parker, Diana Simmons, Lonnie Rolls and Linda Martinez.

## Local church repairs bikes for mission kids

Iglesia Bautista El Calvario members made a mission trip to San Carlos, Chihuahua in Mexico last summer. The group was part of a 72 member group that held Vacation Bible School in four villages in the San Carlos area. The Haskell group was assigned to the village of Los Alamos.

While in the village, the Haskell group gave two bicycles to children. Immediately they realized that the bicycles were not only a great toy, but a great method of transportation. Some families in the area have automobiles, horses or mules, but most travel on foot.

The group decided to return to

Alamos with reconditioned bicycles on a Christmas mission trip. A bicycle drive was begun with help coming from members of First Baptist Church, the Double Mountain Baptist Church and various citizens of Haskell.

The bikes were repaired, made like new and delivered to the children of Los Alamos in time for Christmas.

A goal of forty bicycles was surpassed, allowing the group to donate bicycles to children of some surrounding villages.

Those helping with bicycle repairs were Adam Garcia, Bert Alvarez, Danny Ozuna, Louis Enriquez, Stanley Martin and pastor J. R. Flores.

## Lighting winners listed

Winners of the Haskell Chamber of Commerce lighting contest are as follows:

In the business category: first place, Boggs and Johnson's Furniture Store; second place, Carousel and third place, H & R Block. Henderson's Book Store received honorable mention.

Residential winners were: first place, Faye Stiewert, 1704 N. Ave. G; second place, T. J. and Doris Brueggeman, 604 S. Ave. G; and third place, Bob and Darlene Smith,

1801 N. 1st St. The home of the late Allie Bell Smith, 300 N. 2nd Street received honorable mention.

Winning the most original award was Jake Dusak and Pat Dusak, 6 Ave. H. Named the children's favorite was Walter Kierepka, 500 S. 6th St. The animation award went to Flint and Lisa Nanny, 604 S. 6th St.

Overall lighting winners were Craig and Janet McCormick, 603 N. Ave. H; Kenneth and Judy Patton, 801 N. 3rd East St.; and Raymond and Dawn Rodela, 12 S. Ave. K East.

### Basketball

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JVG-B, VG-B vs Throckmorton  
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Paint Creek  
Paint Creek vs Trent  
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### Calendar

#### Angel food

The fourth annual Haskell soup kitchen will be Tues., Dec. 31 and Thurs., Jan. 2 at the Haskell Elementary cafeteria. Serving will be from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Carry outs will be available for shut-ins by calling 864-3875. The meal is funded by donations from Souper Sunday, so there is no charge to anyone. The kitchen is sponsored by Haskell CISD and Haskell Co. Commissioners Court.

#### Social Security

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

#### Society to meet

The Haskell County Historical & Genealogical Society will meet Mon., Jan. 6 in Haskell City Hall at 7 p.m.

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## Hospital seeks change in Medicare status

Small town rural hospitals are "bleeding out." A new program for hospitals who provide care to small rural communities promises to help bandage the financial wounds.

The Critical Access Hospital program offers greater Medicare reimbursement to rural hospitals who meet certain criteria. Presently, Haskell hospital receives Medicare reimbursement under a DRG plan. This DRG plan pays hospitals a standard fee, regardless of cost of services to the hospital.

These fees currently reimburse the hospital at a rate of approximately

35-40 percent of outpatient cost, leaving a hefty deficit for the local district to absorb.

During a public meeting held Thursday night, hospital administrator Bill Nemir discussed the new program with approximately 25 citizens who attended.

Haskell hospital is seeing a decline in patient population. The patient population admitted under Medicare is approximately 80 percent each year. The average age of a patient admitted is 75. While the cost of providing services to these

patients is constantly rising, Medicare reimbursement under the DRG plan remains the same.

Changing the status of Haskell hospital to the Critical Access Hospital program will not affect any services provided by the hospital. In fact, if revenues increase under the new plan new services could be added.

The new program will establish 15 acute care beds and 10 swing beds to meet the criteria. The swing beds will allow Medicare patients who are not well after 96 hours of treatment to remain in the hospital under Medicare guidelines for extended care.

Texas has a total of 36 Critical Access Hospitals. Area hospitals looking to make the change include Knox County Hospital and

Throckmorton Hospital. Aspermont and Rotan hospitals are operating under the new arrangement.

Nemir stated that with the numbers used for fiscal year 2001, the Critical Access Hospital status would have generated an additional \$400,000 in revenue for the hospital. Instead, the hospital experienced a loss of approximately \$200,000.

Haskell hospital did not become eligible for the status change until new regulation standards were implemented by Medicare in 2002.

Noralene Corder of Freeman, Shapard and Storey of Wichita Falls, who is helping the hospital with audit materials for the change, stated that the firm fully supported the efforts of the hospital. She also said that hospitals who were not pursuing the status change would probably not be

able to remain open much longer.

Nemir said, "Changing the status of the hospital to produce an increase in revenue is a much better alternative than raising the district's tax rate."

Nemir credited the stability of the local physicians and the hospital staff's efforts to control costs as being instrumental in keeping the hospital's losses to a minimum, allowing the hospital to remain in business.

The package for the status change is scheduled to be submitted to Medicare during January. Approval will come after extensive review and inspection of all departments and aspects of the hospital by Medicare and the Texas Department of Health.

Income from the new program could reach the district by first quarter 2003.

## Children enjoy Christmas carnival

Haskell children were treated to a Christmas carnival Dec. 11. Sponsored by Haskell Elementary School, the event was held at the Civic Center.

Children participated in various Christmas-themed games and had their faces painted. Pictures were taken with Santa Claus.

Kourtney Howard won a jar full of candy for having the closest guess for the number of candies in the jar. Andy Anderson won a Christmas tree decorated with lights. This prize was awarded for the closest guess on the number of lights on the tree.

Admission to the carnival was a non-perishable food time which was donated to Goodfellows.

Haskell Elementary would like to express appreciation to the elementary staff and high school students who volunteered at the carnival. Kathy Garison, coordinator of the event said, "This event would not have been possible without their efforts. And, it would not have been possible without the support of the parents. We appreciate them bringing their youngsters to the carnival. We hope everyone had some Christmas fun."

### Goodfellows Donations

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**CRITICAL MEETING**—Approximately twenty-five citizens met with members of the Haskell Memorial Hospital board and Bill Nemir, administrator last Thursday to learn about the new Medicare status program available to small rural hospitals.

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**MISSION "CHRISTMAS"**—Forty bicycles were repaired and reconditioned for children of the Los Alamos area villages by members of Iglesia Bautista El Calvario in Haskell. The bicycles were delivered to the children in time for Christmas. Pictured are l-r: Adam Garcia, Bert Alvarez, Danny Ozuna, Louis Enriquez and Erin Ozuna, front. Not pictured are Stanley Martin and J. R. Flores, pastor.



**CHRISTMAS VISITORS**—Haskell third grade students visited with residents of Rice Springs Care Home. They had Christmas cards to give to the residents and sang carols during their visit. Teachers of the group are Melodee Christian and Donna Waggoner.



**QUILT DEMONSTRATION**—Gwen Campbell demonstrated the art of quilting for Rhonda Hanson's second grade class during National Children's Book Week. Many of Campbell's beautiful, handmade quilts were on display. Each student designed their own quilt square using fabric remnants. During a study of Christmas traditions, the class met Jodi Taylor who is originally from Australia. Taylor was a foreign exchange student with the Campbell family several years ago. Christmas traditions from Sweden, Denmark and Norway were shared with the students.

## College information hotline set

The Texas Association for College Admission Counseling (TACAC) announces the annual toll-free College Information Hotline (877-275-7007). Hotline 2003 will be available January 18 and 19, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Central Standard Time). The College Information Hotline, which is the largest project of its type in the nation, provides information about post-secondary educational opportunities to students and their families.

The College Information Hotline is available to anyone in the state who has questions about any aspect of college admission, financial aid, degree programs, housing, student life and activities, or special programs. Callers may also request information from specific colleges and universities or information about any college in the United States. Spanish-speaking counselors and admission representatives from more than 25 public and private colleges and universities in Texas will be on duty.

In previous years, callers have predominantly been high school students and the parents, but an increasing number of information requests are beginning to come from middle school students, current college students, adults who did not complete college or have never attended, and veterans with questions about their benefits.

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## Don't overlook eye screenings

People over 40 usually have annual physical examinations to determine their overall health. But many overlook eye screenings that can detect diseases before they rob a person's vision, says an ophthalmologist at Ut Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

According to a recent study conducted by the National Eye Institute and Prevent Blindness America, more than 1 million Americans age 40 and older currently

are blind and another 2.4 million are visually impaired.

"Unfortunately, the first time a person visits an ophthalmologist is after he or she notices a problem," says Dr. Jess Whitson, associate professor of ophthalmology at UT Southwestern. "Some eye diseases, like glaucoma, have no symptoms in the early stages and can be detected only by an eye exam. That's why early detection is the key to

preserving your eyesight.

People who have diabetes, high blood pressure or a family history of eye problems are at high risk for developing eye problems and should see an eye-care professional, Whitson says.

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The clock is ticking down on the old calendar. Now is the time to gear up for a great celebration and look ahead to success and happiness in 2003!

Many thanks for giving us so much to celebrate this past year. We've enjoyed every minute of serving you and look forward to your continued support.

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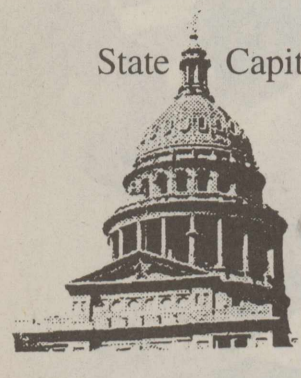
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## HIGHLIGHTS

By Mike Cox

**Lawmakers propose sobriety checks to fight DWIs**

AUSTIN—The state budget, insurance reform and school finance are the big issues facing lawmakers in the coming legislative session, but there are other hot topics, including several measures aimed at reducing drinking and driving.

Among the proposals is a bill authorizing sobriety checkpoints, a measure sure to generate some spirited discussion among Texans. Advocates say checkpoints are a good tool in getting drunks off the road before they can hurt or kill someone with their impaired driving. Others see checkpoints as another step toward a police state.

The issue is not new. Twelve years ago, the U.S. Supreme Court held that limited sobriety checkpoints were constitutional. Thirty-nine states have laws allowing them, but not Texas.

In 1994, the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals said DWI checkpoints were not constitutional in this state unless Texas developed guidelines covering their usage.

The legislation proposed in the House by Rep. Todd Smith, R-Eules and in the Senate by Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo would authorize Texas law enforcement agencies to run sobriety checkpoints if they were advertised in the media in advance (but not by location) and if the checkpoints didn't delay traffic by more than 10 minutes.

In addition, police could only ask a driver to take an alcohol test if they have probable cause that the person is drunk. Finally, police could ask to see a driver's license and proof of liability insurance at a checkpoint, but not inspect the vehicle.

The statistics that make any DWI-related proposal important are sobering: Up to half of all fatal car crashes are alcohol-related.

**More troopers out soon...**

With the two booziest holiday

periods of the year at hand, the Department of Public Safety routinely puts all available troopers on the highways. This year, even more will be out and about: The DPS just graduated 201 new troopers, the largest graduation in the history of the 67-year-old agency.

Most of the new troopers are going into the Highway Patrol, but others will be license and weight, driver license and Capitol troopers. Once they complete a one-year probation, the troopers will earn \$35,000 a year.

Despite the size of this class, with the approaching retirement of more Baby Boomer generation troopers, more recruits are being sought. Anyone interested in applying can check the nearest DPS office, visit the department's Web site at www.txdps.state.tx.us or call 1-866-TXTROOP.

**Don't forget the child support...**

The Attorney General's Office has received \$27.6 million in federal incentive payments based on the office's Child Support Division's performance during fiscal year 2001. This money can be used to leverage an additional \$53 million in federal money to cover the state's child support recovery efforts.

In fiscal year 2001, child support collections increased by 21 percent compared with the previous fiscal year, the AG's office reports. That represents a jump from \$1 billion collected in 2002 to \$1.2 billion last fiscal year.

**I'm not nuts, really...**

In some versions of last week's column, I mentioned that Texas is the second state in the U.S. in terms of pecan (pub-con) sales. In explaining that, for some reason, my fingers typed "nasty nuts" instead of "tasty nuts." Just for the record, and before someone throws a pecan pie in my face, I am a nationalistic Texan who loves pecans. Especially in pralines. That's pray-leans, not prah-leans. Happy Holidays.

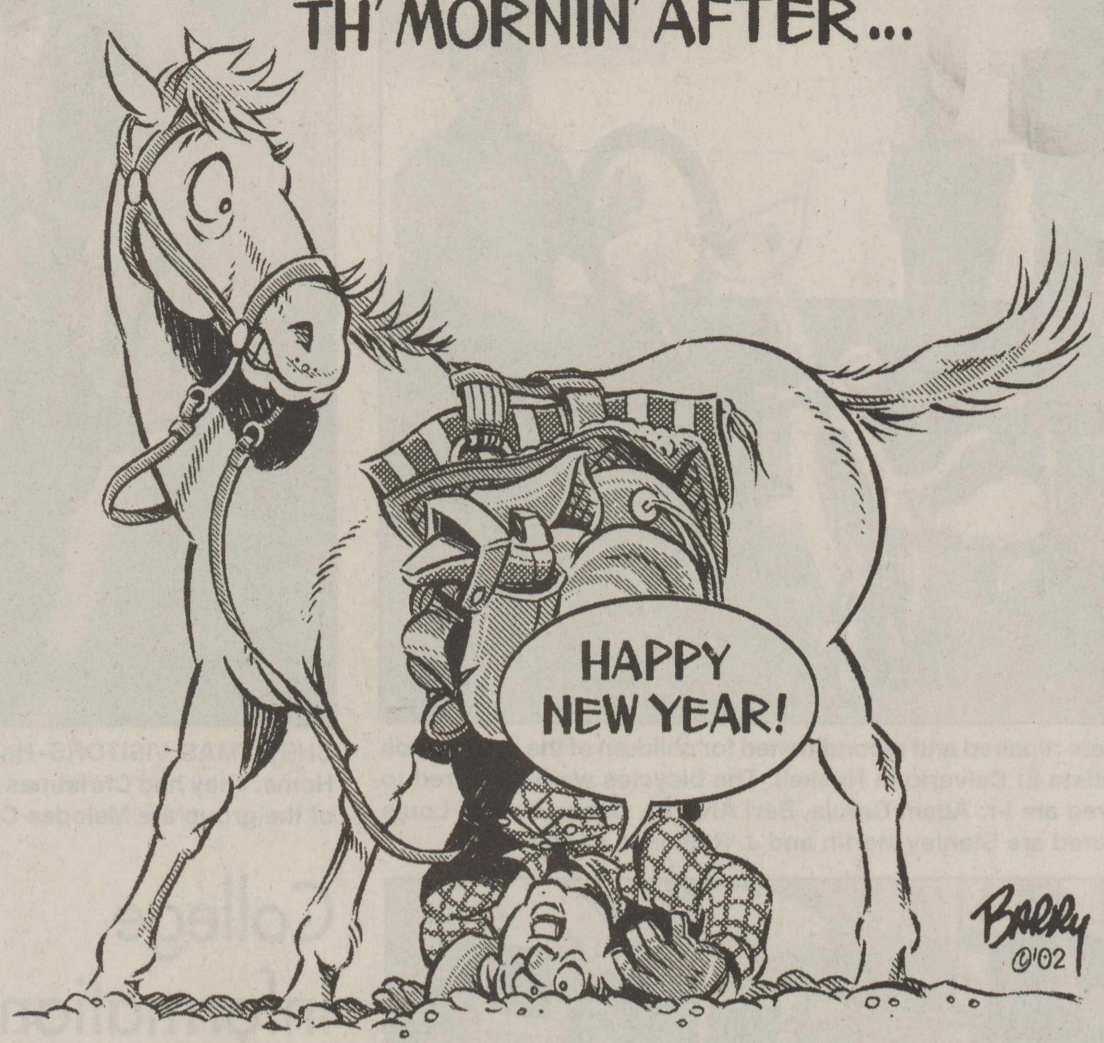
## Student in the News

Jodie Reel, a Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies in Secondary Education major from Paint Creek and a December 2002 Lubbock Christian University graduate was selected by the dean of the University's College of Education as winner of the Dean's Award.

Dean's awards are presented each year to the students with the highest GPA in each college. Reel was honored at the December graduation on Dec. 7. He graduated Summa Cum Laude.

Reel is the son of Ronnie and Brenda Reel of Paint Creek.

## TH' MORNIN' AFTER...



## From The Inside Out

By Mary Kaigler

**Who is this Mystery Reader?**

I was born in a log cabin in Stillwell, Oklahoma. I am widowed after 56 years. I have two children.

I attended school at Rule and also in Corinth, (halfway between Rule and Jud) and Sul Ross in Alpine. No one knows that I once had Cherokee Indians for neighbors and that Mrs. Hummingbird used to take my mother crawfishing.

My favorite TV shows are Dan Rather News and Jeopardy. My favorite type of music is Western.

I like to read, visit friends, do history research, sew, do genealogy research and work on my stamp collection.

The last book I read was *Energy Dilemma*. I am now reading *Sam Houston*, by John Hoyt Williams.

My favorite place in Texas is Haskell.

My favorite vacation spot in the world is Washington, D. C.

My best quality is listening to stories of older people, and helping less fortunate folks.

My worst quality is talking too much.

I hate it when people think they already know every thing.

My greatest personal accomplishment is my Haskell history research and my two daughters, five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

For me, the best thing about Haskell is the friendliness and people being helpful to each other.

Watch for the identity of this Reader soon.

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**Update**

The last Mystery Reader presented here was Carolyn Reynolds of Haskell, who worked in the County Courthouse twenty-eight years as District Clerk, before retiring.

She and her husband, Sonny Reynolds, have two daughters; Leisa, who works in the office of Dr. McSmith and Laurie, who teaches 6th grade at Wylie High School. The couple's son, Mark, studies Radiology at MidWestern, hoping to intern at a hospital close to this area.

Carolyn is the daughter of the late Ewell and Effie Grimsley, who lived in the communities of Rose, Midway and Rochester.

After leaving her job in public service, which she says she loved, she has found that she loves retirement, and likes to be with her children, and staying busy in the community. She delivers lunches and works at the Experienced Citizens' Center each week, and helps out at the District Clerk's office when needed.

She is a member of the First Baptist Church, Haskell, where she sings in the choir and is secretary for her Sunday School Class.

Happy to be living near all of her children, Carolyn says she and Sonny enjoy being with them so much, they never feel the need to travel.

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**Thoughts for the Week**

How often in our lives it seems that we find ourselves coming to a point of needing and wanting to find new life through new vision; making the right changes and growing. Is it possible for us to do that after years of entrenched, same-way thinking and same-way using of our energies and time?

In *The Principles of Psychology*, William James writes, "Man alone, of all the creatures of the earth, can change his own pattern. Man alone is the architect of his destiny. The greatest discovery in our generation is that human beings, by changing the inner attitudes of their minds, can change the outer aspects of their lives."

In thinking of what kinds of positive changes we might need to make, as we come to the end of another year, perhaps the following words of an anonymous writer have some merit for considering.

"How would it be if just for today we thought less about contests and rivalries, profits and politics, winners and sinners, and more about helping and giving, mending and blending, reaching out and pitching in?"

How would it be?

## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

**10 Years Ago**  
**December 24, 1992**

The Haskell JV Maidens beat the Anson Lady Tigers, 32-27. Charissa Huff scored 7 points and Rebecca Unger had 5. Brandi Briles, Nacole Lefevre and Tara Moeller each scored 4 points, while Shelly Stewart, Heather Guess, Rosie Fuentes and Tonya Burson had 2 each.

Ruby Turner was elected president of the Haskell Rotary Club at the annual election meeting. Kenneth Patton was re-elected vice president and Abe Turner was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

James Rike, a 1989 graduate of Haskell High School, is a member of the Eastern New Mexico University basketball team. He is the son of John S. and Mary Rike.

**20 Years Ago**  
**December 30, 1982**

The Paint Creek High Schools girls basketball team defeated Old Glory 43-38. Scoring for Paint Creek is Julie Coleman 19, Becky Medford 13, Luann Cockerell 4 and Jetton Blivins 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert LeFevre of Sagerton had all their children home for Christmas. They are Mr. and Mrs. Larry LeFevre, Larressa and Shane; Mr. and Mrs. Kent LeFevre of Tuscola, Jill of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Bailey of Terrell, Rob, Russ, Brad, Brian and Mrs. Louise Stegemoeffer.

The KVRP basketball team lost to the Avoca Aces 99-24.

**30 Years Ago**  
**December 28, 1972**

Winners in the final Merchants Christmas drawing were Thalia Jenkins, \$150; Mrs. Wilson Bailey, \$100; Marvin Ansley, Mrs. Jerry Dunnam, Bill Baitz, Kathy Pringle and Mrs. C. A. Wheeler, \$50 each.

The Rule Rotary Club met for their noon meeting at the Bluebonnet Cafe. Rotary members presented a Christmas gift to the Rotary Sweetheart, Marcia Brass.

The Rainbow Sewing Club met in the home of Mrs. John Larned. Members sang Christmas carols led by Angie Mullins and accompanied by Mrs. Elaine Campbell at the piano.

**40 Years Ago**  
**December 27, 1962**

An official State Health citation was awarded to W. B. Tidrow, service specialist with the Haskell municipal water department, for proficiency in water management.

Jan Matthews, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Matthews, has been chosen as basketball sweetheart. She is a senior at Haskell High School.

The Sagerton M.Y.F. group, accompanied by Mrs. Allen Letz, Mrs. Edward Letz and Mrs. Delbert LeFevre, enjoyed a skating party at the Anson Roller Rink Wednesday night of last week.

**50 Years Ago**  
**December 25, 1952**

An estimated 600 to 800 children filled the Texas Theatre for the theatre's annual Christmas party held Sat., Dec. 6. The all-cartoon film program was shown continuously from 9 a.m. until noon.

Sgt. Billy Ray Lusk and Sgt. Bobby Henshaw, both stationed in the Marine base at Camp Pendleton, Calif., arrived last week to spend the Christmas holidays with family in Haskell. Lusk is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lusk. Henshaw is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George (Chick) Henshaw.

Roy Lauderdale, Indian center, made the all-tournament team at the McMurry College basketball tournament.

**90 Years Ago**  
**December 28, 1912**

K. Baker and Earl Atchison, who are attending school at A&M College, came in Saturday to spend Christmas with homefolks.

E. E. Marvin left Sunday night for Dallas to get another new automobile he has sold.

Frank Baldwin, who is practicing law in Houston, is pending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Baldwin.

N. I. McCollum and family are spending the holidays with their parents at Clyde and Putnam.

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## Bundle up to face the elements

When you go outside this time of year, are you ready to face the elements? You may not think you need a coat if you're just getting in your car that's inside your garage, or just running quickly into a store or even going through a drive-through. But doctors at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas say you shouldn't go anywhere in winter weather without something to keep you warm. It may only be a couple

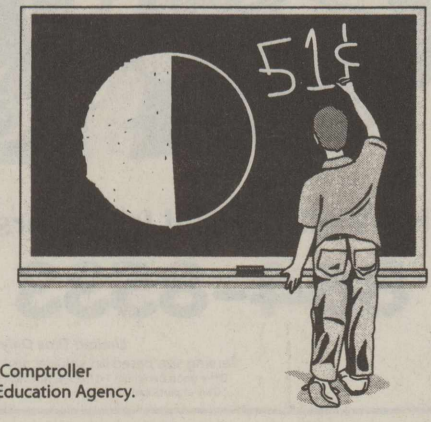
## Keeping an Eye on Texas

### Education Spending in Texas

According to the latest figures from the Texas Education Agency, only 51 cents of every education dollar is going into classroom instruction.

About 90 percent of the \$28.6 billion spent on education in 2001-02 covered operating expenses, such as payroll, contracted services and supplies.

Roughly 10.4 percent went toward non-operating costs, such as debt service.



SOURCES: Carole Keeton Rylander, Texas Comptroller (www.window.state.tx.us) and the Texas Education Agency.



# GOOD LUCK, INDIANS and MAIDENS



HASKELL INDIANS: from left, Coach Mark Adams, Osiel Garcia, Melvin Garcia, Kendall Mitchell, Ross Hairgrove, Josh Webb, Ryan Burgess, Eddie Loyd, Bobby Loyd, Leon Goudeau, Angel Pena, Coach Toby Villa. Center: Larry Trevino.

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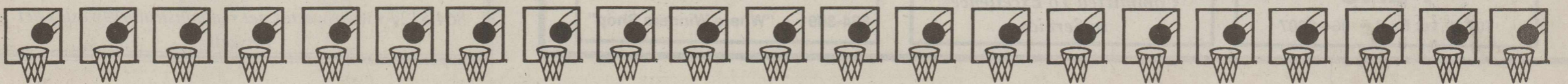
HASKELL MAIDENS: From left, Coach David Middleton, Coach Shawna Faircloth, Brittany Lindsey, Monica Buerger, Whitney Hise, Calina Kendall, Katie McKnight, Lynzie Harlan, Brittany Bird, Mandy Adams, Whitney Wallace, Brittany Rutkowski, Shanee Mays, Consuelo Gonzales

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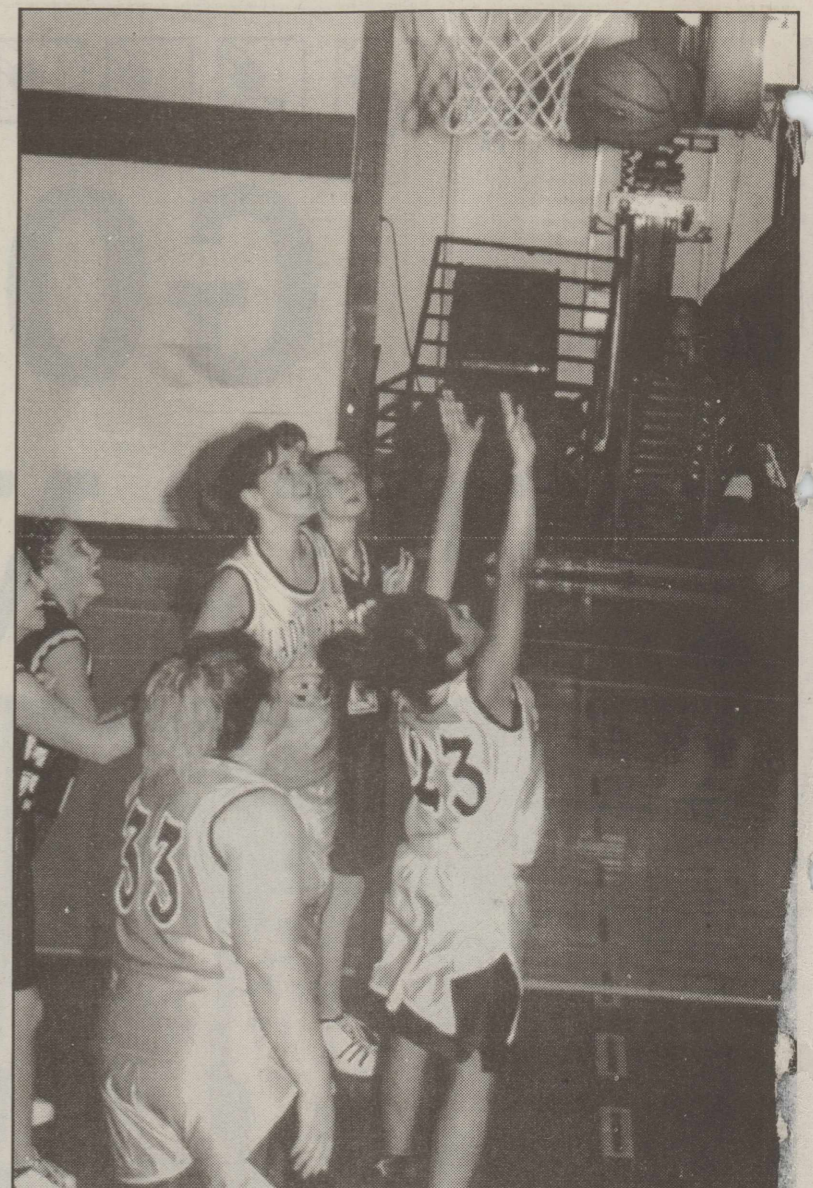
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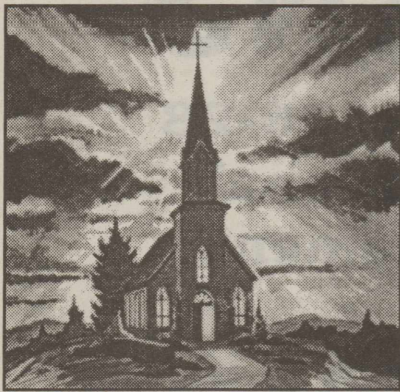
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 Scoring for Rochester: Byrd 27, Martinez 15, Turner 8, Ramos 7, Sanchez 5, Martin 4, Brown 3, Saucedo 2.  
 Haskell 52, Hawley 34  
 Scoring for Haskell: Buerger 14, Rutkowski 11, Kendall 8, Gonzalez 4, Bird 4, McKnight 4, Lindsey 3, Harlan 2, Mays 2.  
 JV score: Haskell 29, Hawley 26. Cisco 57, Haskell 26  
 Scoring for Haskell: Buerger 8, Kendall 4, Lindsey 4, Harlan 2, Bird 2, McKnight 2, Mays 2, Gonzalez 2.  
 JV score: Cisco 26, Haskell 25.  
 Roby 54, Rule 35  
 Scoring for Rule: Lisle 11, Dudensing 8, Smith 8, Lehrmann 4, Brown 2, Marquis 2.  
 JV score: Roby 26, Rule 24.  
 Rochester 38, Spur 34  
 Scoring for Rochester: Byrd 20, Ramos 8, Turner 4, Brown 4, Sanchez 2.

**Boys**  
 Woodson 72, Rule 65  
 Scoring for Rule: Stephens 28, Smith 16, Standefer 8, Kittley 7, Brown 4, Fuentes 2.  
 Newcastle 58, Rochester 48  
 Scoring for Rochester: McGhee 18, Earle 11, Self 8, Rodgers 6, Saucedo 5.  
 Haskell 57, Throckmorton 29  
 Scoring for Haskell: Webb 13, Goudeau 10, Loyd 6, Loyd 6, Garcia 6, Burgess 4, Mitchell 3, Hairgrove 2, Garcia 2, Pena 1.  
 JV score: Haskell 39, Throckmorton 33.  
 Haskell 69, Cisco 19  
 Scoring for Haskell: Goudeau 21, O. Garcia 10, B. Loyd 7, Hairgrove 7, Webb 6, E. Loyd 6, M. Garcia 6, Burgess 6, Mitchell 2.  
 Roby 64, Rule 52  
 Scoring for Rule: Turner 13, Standefer 12, Smith 11, Brown 10, Fuentes 2, Kittley 2, Dudensing 2.  
 Spur 44, Rochester 33  
 Scoring for Rochester: McGhee 15, Self 8, Earle 6, Rogers 2, Saucedo 2.



**MAKING THE SHOT**—Lady Pirates Hattie Walton and Lindsey Reed look on as teammate Diana Gonzales puts one in during a game against Moran. Photo by KIS

*This Week's Devotional Message:*



**LET FAITH CONSOLIDATE YOUR NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS**

As the season of fun and festivity draws to a close, let us give some serious thought to a worthwhile task which most of us have undertaken rather half-heartedly at this time every year, despite our good intentions. Driven by a natural impulse to turn over a new leaf in our lives as well as on the calendar, we compile our annual list of personal reforms and even try to follow it for a few days before consigning it to limbo along with its predecessors. This year for a change, try simplifying it into one all-encompassing resolution: to attend the Church of your choice regularly throughout the coming year. If you will do so and try to live by the lessons you learn there, this will be the only New Year's resolution you'll ever need.

**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 Garrison, minister  
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 107 N. Ave. F, Haskell  
**New Vision Family Worship Center**  
 James Rincker, pastor • 864-5438  
 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**  
 Art Flores, Interim pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 5 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 607 S. 7th, Haskell  
**First United Methodist Church**  
 Allen Brooks, 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**  
 Steve Beatty, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.  
 306 N. Ave. E, Haskell  
**Trinity Baptist Church**  
 Tony Grand, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 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**  
 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 a.m., 11 a.m., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.  
 200 S. Ave. F, Haskell  
**Mission Revival Center**  
 Rev. William Hodge  
 Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m.  
 1600 N. Ave. B, Haskell  
**First Baptist Church**  
 Kevin Hall, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 301 N. Ave. E, Haskell  
**Church in the Park**  
 Rev. Tim and Suzann Townsend  
 Sun. Morn. 10:30 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.  
 Gazebo or Pavillion  
**—PAINT CREEK—**  
**Paint Creek Baptist Church**  
 Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.  
 Paint Creek  
**—WEINERT—**  
**First Baptist Church**  
 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.  
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**—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**  
 Jackie Brem, 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  
**—O'BRIEN—**  
**O'Brien Baptist Church**  
 Kyle Gulledge, pastor  
 Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 5 p., 6 p, Wed. 6 p.m.  
 O'Brien

**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**  
 Melissa Bemis, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.  
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**Faith Lutheran Church**  
 Deborah Nissen, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 9:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 Sagerton

**—RULE—**  
**First Baptist Church**  
 Josh Stowe, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 11:00 a., 5 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**  
 Tommy Wilson, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. Worship 10 a.m.  
 1000 Union Ave., Rule  
**Primera Iglesia Bautista**  
 Alfa y Omegas  
 Manuel Marin, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.  
 500 Elm Street, 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 Bethal Baptist Church**  
 Rev. Robert Sweet  
 Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.  
 300 Sunny Ave., Rule



**PIRATES IN ACTION**—Eric Hobbs 00, Brad Irby 42 and Cyle Brown 44 look on as teammate Craig Lowrance 32 shoots a basket during a game against Moran. Photo by KIS

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