

### Basketball

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### Softball games

Maidens at Abilene  
Slug Fest Tournament  
Fri.-Sat., Feb. 21-22  
at Abilene  
JV Maidens vs Jim Ned  
Tues., Feb. 25, 4 p.m.  
at Haskell  
V Maidens vs Jim Ned  
Tues., Feb. 25, 5:15 p.m.  
at Haskell

### Baseball games

V Indians at  
Seymour Tournament  
Fri., Feb. 21  
JV Indians v Rotan  
Mon., Feb. 24, 4:30 p.m.  
at Haskell  
V Indians vs Rotan  
Tues., Feb. 25, 4:30 p.m.  
at Rotan

### Golf

Maidens at Anson Golf Course  
Fri., Feb. 21, 9 a.m.  
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Indians at Anson Golf Course  
Sat., Feb. 22, 9 a.m.  
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Indians at PAR Golf Course  
Comanche  
Mon., Feb. 24, 9 a.m.

### Calendar

#### Friends of Faith

The Friends of Faith invites area ladies to attend Pathways to the Heart Sat., Feb. 22 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Haskell High School Cafeteria.

#### Rochester School homecoming meeting

A meeting to discuss the upcoming Rochester School homecoming will be held Sun., March 2 at 3 p.m. in the Rochester cafeteria. For more information call 864-5012.

#### Pep rally

A pep rally will be held Thurs., Feb. 20 in front of Haskell High School at 2 p.m. for the High School basketball team.

#### Old Glory musical

The Old Glory Musical will be held Sat., Feb. 22 at the Community Center in Old Glory. The concession stand will open at 5:30 and the music will start at 6 p.m. For more information call 940-989-2925 or 989-2833.

#### Chamber banquet

The Rule Chamber of Commerce will hold the 49th annual banquet Tues., March 4 at 7 p.m. in the Rule School cafeteria. Tickets are \$8. The meal will be catered by the Junior class. Door prizes and announcement of the man and woman of the year will follow the meal. Entertainment presented by Larry LeFevre, Dickie Greenwood, Randy Hise and Mike Fouts

#### Car show

The 7th annual Haskell Fire Dept. Car Show will be held Sat., March 15 around the courthouse in Haskell. Entries are \$20. Registration will be from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Fire Station. Judging will be at 12:30 p.m. followed by a trophy presentation at 3:30 p.m. Hot Wheel races will be held for the kids. Kids tractor pull will be held. For more information contact Randy Shaw at 864-2023 or Coy Scoggins at 864-3694.

#### One act plays

A night of one act plays will be held Mon., March 3 beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Haskell Memorial Civic Center. Students from Rule, Paint Creek, Haskell and Munday will present their plays. Admission if \$3 per person.

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## Indians, Good Luck in the Playoffs!

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HASKELL BASKETBALL FAVORITES—Recently named this year's Haskell High School Basketball Sweetheart

and Beau were junior student, Brittany Lindsey and senior student Leon Goudeau.

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KATHY JO ROGERS

## Rogers to speak to Friends

Kathy Jo Rogers will be the guest speaker when the Friends of Faith meet Sat., Feb. 22, to hear her testimony of a fateful night in Fort Worth.

There are those who still remember the helicopters, police cars and ambulances that covered the area around Wedgewood Baptist Church late into that night of Sept. 15, 1999.

The former Kathy Jo Brown was to meet her husband, Shawn, at 7:00 p.m. in the lobby of the church. At three minutes before seven, she entered the side door and heard the first of many shots that rang out, killing her husband and six others.

Kathy and Shawn taught Sunday School together in that church and had only been married twenty months. He was a ministerial student at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, and she was a first grade teacher. They had met while attending Howard Payne University in Brownwood.

Kathy Jo has shared her testimony many times and in many places since that night, telling how God brought her through the terrible experience. She has since remarried and has a six-months-old baby boy.

All women are invited to come to hear her testimony Saturday at the Haskell High School Cafeteria at 9:00 a.m.

## Round Robin Revival set Feb. 23-27

The Haskell Ministerial Alliance is sponsoring its 23rd annual "Round Robin Revival," Sun., Feb. 23, through Thurs., Feb. 27. The Sunday evening service begins at 6:00 p.m.; weeknight services start at 7:00 p.m.

Rev. Kevin Hall, pastor of First Baptist Church in Haskell and president of the alliance, said the theme of this year's services will be "Great Is Thy Faithfulness." As in previous years, the services are hosted by a different congregation each evening, with a minister from another church bringing the message. An offering will be received each at each service in support of the ministerial alliance's charitable and benevolent work.

Here is the full schedule of services and speakers:

Sunday, First Baptist Church, Dusty Garrison (First Christian Church) preaching.

Monday, First Christian Church, Allen Brooks (First United Methodist) preaching.

Tuesday, First United Methodist Church, Steve Beatty (First Presbyterian Church) preaching.

Wednesday, Assembly of God Church, Deborah Nissen (Faith Lutheran Church of Sagerton) preaching.

Thursday, East Side Baptist Church, J. C. Amburn (Assembly of God Church) preaching.

The public is invited to all services.



DISTRICT CHAMPIONS—The Haskell Indians basketball team and coaching staff pose with their trophy after winning all of their district games. Standing, l-r, are Coach Mark Adams and Larry Trevino, Brad Blanks, Josh Webb, Ryan Burgess, Kendall Mitchell, Ross Hairgrove, Eddie Loyd, Leon Goudeau, Coach Toby Villa. Bottom, l-r, Melvin Garcia, Joseph Rodriguez, Osiel Garcia, Angel Pena and Drew Garrison.

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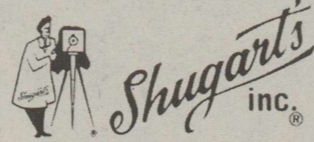
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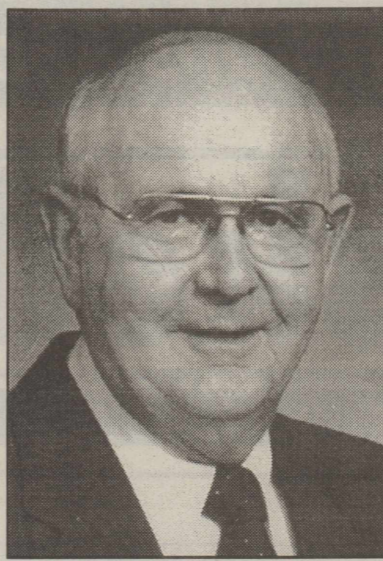
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## Obituaries

### R. Ferrell Coston



**FERRELL COSTON**

Graveside services for R. Ferrell Coston, 85, of Haskell were held Fri., Feb. 14 at Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell. A memo-

rial service followed at First United Methodist Church officiated by Rev. Allen Brooks.

Mr. Coston died Wed., Feb. 12.

Born June 17, 1917 in Hermleigh, he graduated from Sul Ross University. He married Jane Meadows in 1941. The couple moved to Haskell 50 years ago. He retired from Shell Pipeline in 1972. He also sold life insurance for American Amicable. He was a charter member of the Rotary Club in Haskell and helped establish Haskell Little League baseball. He was very active in the First United Methodist Church where he served in many leadership capacities including teaching Sunday school for many years. He was very devoted to his family and loved his church. He was an avid fisherman.

He was preceded in death by two sisters, Oma Lee Sturdivant and Ollie Ely.

Survivors include his wife, Jane Meadows Coston of Haskell; two sons, Tom Coston and wife, Shirley of Fort Worth and Wendell Coston and wife, Charlotte of Amarillo; two sisters, Louise Connolly of Abilene and Verda Johnson of Maryland; three granddaughters, Laura Baughman and husband, John, Julie Swenson and husband, Chuck, and Stacy Bannen and husband, Grant; one step granddaughter, Keri Gleason; six great grandchildren, Charlie, Jack and Claire Swenson and Emma Bannen, Madison and Conner Gleason.

Memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church, 201 N. Ave. F, Haskell, Texas 79521 or Ferrell and Jane Coston Scholarship Fund, c/o Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, P. O. Box 2250, Fort Worth, Texas 76122.

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### Roxie Lucille Graves

Funeral services for Roxie Lucille Graves, 91, of Haskell were held Thurs., Feb. 13 at First Baptist Church in Haskell with Dr. H. B. Graves and Rev. Kevin Hall officiating. Graveside services were held Fri., Feb. 14 at the Mexia Cemetery in Mexia. Services were under the direction of McCauley Smith Funeral Home of Munday.

Mrs. Graves died Mon., Feb. 10 at her home in Haskell. Born June 10, 1911 in Grayson County, she moved from Houston to Haskell in 2001. She was a homemaker and member of First Baptist Church in Haskell. She married H. B. Graves, Sr., March 16, 1929. He preceded her in death July 29, 1977. She served as president or director of the local associational and District in District 8, the Big Spring area for 60 years. She served on the executive board of the State Womens Missionary Union of Baptist General Convention of Texas. She was a Sunday school teacher for 60 years. She served in mission work in the Mill Block area of Mexia alone at first and then with her husband, witnessing with the result that 82 people made profession of faith. From this, a visitation program was started in the Calvary Baptist Church of Mexia. She served in mission efforts from Denver City, worked as vacation Bible school leader in local black churches in her area. She went on several mission trips with H. B.

Graves to West Virginia and Brazil and last year to Vermont. She was instrumental in starting the Big 6 (District 8) Baptist Encampment at Stanton and in the building of a guest house for the encampment. Her husband held the record for serving 39 years as counselor for Royal Ambassadors in Texas. She was chosen as Mother of the Year in the late 1960's of the Texas Baptist Convention. She received three scholarships: Texas Tech, Tarleton College and North Texas College.

Survivors include three sons, Dr. H. B. Graves, Jr. of Knox City (pastor at Gilliland Baptist Church, Gilliland) Joel T. Graves of Granbury (retired music minister now serving as Senior and Singles Minister at Lakeside Baptist Church, Granbury), and Jerel L. Graves of Seminole (Deacon and professional Christian Educator in Seminole); two sisters, Mrs. Tom McGhee of Athens and Mrs. Delma Miller of Brownsboro; one brother, Oscar Ralph Carroll of Cummin, Georgia; eight grandchildren; 19 great grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were Ben Graves, David Graves, Duane Graves, Matthew Graves, Jeff Caparoon, Steve McGuire, Paul McGuire, Cliff McGuire and Jeff Biddy.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church in Haskell.

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### Dorothy L. 'Meema' Gore

Funeral services for Dorothy L. 'Meema' Gore, 74, of Anson were held Fri., Feb. 14 at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church with Rev. Jeffery Fenwick and Jerry Pittman officiating. Burial was in Rule Cemetery under the direction of Lawrence-Adams Funeral Home of Anson.

Mrs. Gore died Wed., Feb. 12 at an Abilene hospital. Born July 13, 1928 in Stonewall County, she was the daughter of the late Grady and Gracie Mae (Crosson) Bristow. She graduated from Old Glory High School in 1945. She married Jesse L. Gore Nov. 13, 1948 in Shallowater. She moved to Anson in 1977 where she was employed by the Anson I.S.D. cafeteria for 23 years, retiring in 2000. She was known as 'Everybody's Cook' and was an active member of Pleasant Grove Baptist

Church. She was preceded in death by one infant daughter (Mary Ann Gore in 1950) and by one infant great granddaughter (Kayla Pope in 1993).

Survivors include her husband, Jesse L. Gore of Anson; one daughter, Karen Pittman and husband, Lee of Lake Stamford; two grandchildren, Lane Wolf and wife, Sandy of Leesburg, Virginia and Missi Pope and husband, Buddy of Anson; six great grandchildren, Robert Alvis, Ashley Wolf, Wesley Alvis, Austin Wolf, Tyler Pope and Brady Pope; one sister, Wanda Harrell and husband, Tommy of Rule; several nieces and nephews.

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### Jenelle Nanny

Funeral services for Jenelle Nanny, 89, of Haskell were held Sat., Feb. 15 at East Side Baptist Church with Dr. Troy Culpepper officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Mrs. Nanny died Thurs., Feb. 13 in Haskell. Born June 21, 1913 in Wood County, she was the daughter of Benjamin and Vela Goldsmith Tucker. She married Otho W. Nanny Feb. 15, 1941 in Mineral Wells. He preceded her in death Oct. 19, 1989. She was a homemaker all of her life and a member of the Canasta Club.

She was preceded in death by her husband; daughter, Beth Nanny Freshour; two brothers, J. C. Tucker and Bill Tucker.

Survivors include three sons, Joel and wife, Betsy Nanny and W. O. and wife, Muriel Nanny, all of Haskell and Ben and wife, Delores Nanny of Abilene; her son-in-law, Jim Freshour of Big Spring; two sisters, Maybelle Ainsworth of Snyder and Margarette Jacobs of Odessa; 12 grandchildren and 21 great grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to East Side Baptist Church, 600 North First East, Haskell, Texas 79521. PD. NOTICE

### Mary Belle Merchant

Graveside services for Mary Belle Merchant, 88 of Granbury Villa, formerly of Haskell were held Mon., Feb. 17 in Willow Cemetery in Haskell under the direction of Wiley Funeral Home of Granbury.

Mrs. Merchant died Fri., Feb. 14 at the Granbury Villa after an extended illness.

Born May 1, 1914 in Haskell, she was the daughter of Chris and Lucy Parr. She attended schools in Haskell. She married Max Merchant in Roswell, N.M. in 1954. He preceded her in death in 1972. She was a nurse's aide

at the Rice Springs Care Center in Haskell. A former member of First Baptist Church in Haskell, she was a member of the Hilltop Drive Baptist Church in Irving.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Max Merchant; and three children, Ellen Obrian, Kenny Neeley and Edwin Neeley.

Survivors include her son, John Neeley and wife, Kay of Granbury; 14 grandchildren, 19 great grandchildren; two step sisters, Doris Slater of Fort Worth and Nettie Head of Saginaw.

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## Burson, Weatherman wed in San Angelo

Tonya Nicole Burson and Brendan Heath Weatherman were married in a candlelight ceremony Sat., Oct. 26, at the historic Cactus Hotel in San Angelo. Officiating were Crystal Lyons and the Honorable Charles Chapman, stepfather of the bride.

Parents of the bride are Charles and Judith Chapman and Tony Burson of Haskell. Her grandparents are Ray and Alice Saunders of Baker City, Oregon, the late Raymond and Estelle Burson, and the late Ben Charlie and Mary Chapman.

Parents of the groom are Gary and Candy Weatherman of Brady. His grandparents are the late Ray and Burnell Weatherman and the late Snooks Black and Warren Black.

Music of various love songs was played as guests were seated in the formal lobby of the hotel. Anita Rapp of Colorado Springs, Colorado and Jodi Pope of San Antonio registered guests. Susan Jones of Temple sang "A Man, A Woman and God," while the bride's grandparents and parents of the bride and groom were seated.

Cannon in D was played as the bridesmaids and groomsmen entered. Maid of honor was Amy Burson of Lubbock, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Jima Walker of Brady, Kathryn Fogle of Midland, Heather Waters of Decatur and Kelly McCulloch of Lubbock. They wore eggplant hued dresses with detailed embroidery gracing the bodices. Each one carried a hand-tied bouquet of vibrant fall colors.

Best man was Eric Weatherman of Lubbock, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Chase Pennington and Cory Reinisch of Lubbock, Troy Clifton of Fredericksburg and Jared Whitworth of Brady. They wore black tuxes coordinating with the groom.

The bride was escorted down the main tile staircase by both of her fathers to the music of the traditional "Wedding March" from Lohengrin. She wore a white satin gown with bodice of hand-beaded embroidery and graced by spaghetti straps. The A-line skirt was designed with a matching beaded hemline. The detachable carriage train was also adorned with matching embroidery.

The bride carried a nosegay bouquet of dramatic fall colors, including yellow roses, pink rose, blue iris, blue delphia and lilies. Something new was the bride's dress. Something borrowed were her mother's pearl necklace and earrings, which she wore on her wedding day as well. Something blue was the garter given the bride by her sister. Something old was a strand of her grandmother's pearls pinned to her dress, and her great grandmother's

handkerchief. The groom wore a black tux with tails. He and the groomsmen wore boutonnieres of yellow roses.

Jenny Parton read the message. During the lighting of the unity candle, Rachel Graves sang, "When You Say Nothing at All," accompanied on guitar by Eric Weatherman and Corey Reinisch. The bride and groom exited the ceremony to the theme from "A Midsummer Night's Dream."

A reception honoring the bride and groom was held on the hotel mezzanine, followed by a dance held in the ballroom. The bride's cake was a three-tiered Italian cream cake graced by flowers from the bride's bouquet. The table was appointed with brass serving pieces and accented with the bride's and bridesmaids' bouquets. Terri Piquet of Hermiston, Oregon, aunt of the bride, Bridget Hinrichs of Portland, Oregon, and Sarah Kalina of Sweetwater, cousins of the bride, served cake. Danielle Piquet of Corvallis, Oregon, cousin of the bride, served punch.

The groom's red velvet cake was decorated with the coat of arms of the Kappa Alpha Order Fraternity. Ivy leaves and a brass coffee service highlighted the table. Kristi McDaniel of Arlington, and Whitney Black of Lubbock, cousins of the groom served the groom's cake.

While guests were served a buffet, the bride and groom made their entrance to the ballroom. Music for the couple's first dance was, "In Your Love." Their wedding party and parents then joined the couple to dance to "Luckenbach Texas."

To the ringing of bells, the couple descended the main staircase, where a white horse-drawn carriage awaited them.

After a honeymoon in St. Thomas, U. S. Virgin Islands, the couple will live in Brady.

The bride and groom were honored with a rehearsal dinner Fri., Oct. 25, hosted by the groom's parents. The bride was honored with a bridal luncheon, hosted by her mother, on the day of the wedding at the Holiday Inn of San Angelo. The groom was honored with a groom's luncheon at Enrique's Mexican Restaurant, hosted by Slana and Rachel Graves and Bobby and Callie McMurry.

In June, the couple enjoyed an engagement party hosted by friends and family in Luckenbach. In August they were honored with a 'honey-do' shower in the home of Suzanne and Bruce Jones. The bride was also honored with a shower in Brady and another held in Haskell in the home of Bonnie Fouts.



MRS. BRIAN LIDIAK

## Martindale, Lidiak married Jan. 25

Joni Renate Martindale and Brian Joseph Lidiak, both of Nashville, Tennessee, were married Jan. 25 at Central Christian Church with the Rev. Larry Lacy officiating.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Mike Martindale of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Lidiak of Houston. The brides' grandmothers are Doris McLemore and Ruby Martindale, both of Stamford.

Maid of honor was Lori Martindale, sister of the bride, of Arlington, Virginia. Bridesmaids were Jill Heise of Lubbock, Jennifer Bossen of Temple, Kim Slaughter of Bryan, Jennifer Padgett of Tampa, Florida, Robin Lidiak of Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Best man was Josh Floren of Charleston, West Virginia. Groomsmen were Rodney Harris and John Martin, both of Friendswood, Joe Raines of Greensboro, South Carolina, Oscar Ocevedo of Houston and James Womack of Albuquerque.

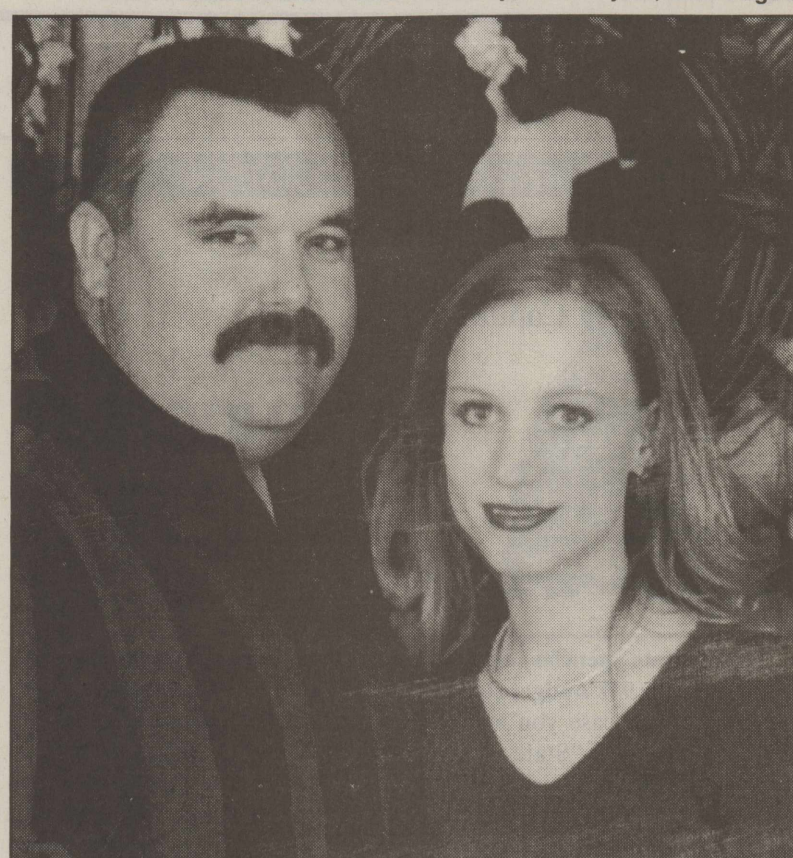
Ushers were Ted Gorman and Tim Collins, both of Houston.

The bride is a 1994 graduate of Wall High School and received a degree in international business and marketing in 1998 from Texas A&M University. She is employed by HCCA, International-Human Resources and Employee Relations Manager in Nashville.

The bridegroom is a 1993 graduate of Strake Jesuit High School in Houston and received a degree in bio medical science in 1999 from Texas A&M University, and a masters degree in health care administration from Washington University in St. Louis. He is employed by Centennial Medical Center in Nashville.

A reception was held at the Austin Club in Austin.

Following a wedding trip to Whistler, British Columbia, the couple will live in Nashville.



JAY SCOTT MILLER - BRANDY LEE HUDSON

## Hudson, Miller to marry April 12

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Hudson of Throckmorton are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Brandy Lee Hudson, to Jay Scott Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs.

Dave Miller of Haskell.

An April 12 wedding is planned at First Baptist Church in Throckmorton.

## Students in the News

Nathan Long, Bergen Peiser and Cara Thomason, all of Haskell, were named to the Dean's Honor Roll at Abilene Christian University for the fall 2002 semester.

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## Tubbs demonstrates watercolor technique

Becky Tubbs, known as the gourd lady, was the guest artist during the monthly meeting of the Brazos West Art Association Feb. 10 held in the Haskell National Bank Community Room. Introduced by Jennie Lyckman, Tubbs demonstrated a new way to use her favorite medium, watercolors. She poured liquid watercolor from a jar on to paper, moving the paper around to allow the watercolor to establish a background

for her painting. Peggy Middlebrook, club president, held a short business meeting. A nominating committee of Martha Spitzer, Jennie Lyckman and Betty Berry was appointed to choose new officers for the coming year.

Refreshments were served using a Valentine's Day theme to seventeen members and one guest by hostesses Florence Larned and Jo Wimberly.

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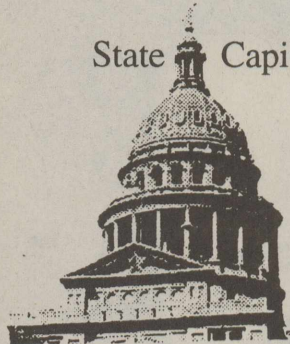
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# OPINION

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## HIGHLIGHTS

By Mike Cox

### Perry: State agencies must prepare for 9% budget cut

AUSTIN—In case you missed Gov. Rick Perry's "State of the State" address to the Legislature last week, here's the Cliff notes version: We're broke but we can fix the budget without increasing your taxes.

More specifically, the governor called for state agencies to get ready for a 9 percent budget cut (agencies already have cut 7 percent from their general revenue funding for this fiscal year at the governor's order), and a 6 percent cut to Medicaid.

Under Perry's proposal, schools and state extension systems would be exempted from the agency cuts.

Perry also proposed taking \$350 million from the state's Rainy Day Fund.

If his requests are translated into legislation, Perry continued, it could save the state some \$9.5 billion, roughly the amount of the state's anticipated revenue shortfall.

As soon as the Legislature wades through this fundamental problem, the next big issue is school finance.

"There is no clear solution currently on the table," he said. "But beginning now, we must work until a solution is found, because the era of Robin Hood must come to an end."

### Some good news...

As legislators and state agencies continued to anguish over Texas' budget deficit, one piece of good news is Toyota Motor Corporation's decision to build an \$800 million assembly plant on San Antonio's south side.

The cost of the plant is merely the first domino in what will happen to San Antonio's economy, and to some extent, Texas' in general: Building the plant will mean an estimated 2,000 jobs.

Once the plant is on line, some 2,000 people will work there. Having that many people on the plant payroll will produce another 5,300 spin-off jobs, though some analysts estimate more than double that number to 13,000 jobs.

All those numbers equal an economic impact over the next decade of nearly \$3 billion.

### Liability insurance law proposed...

Anyone who's been in a car crash knows that sickening sound of

crunching metal and shattering glass. An estimated 20 percent of those folks know another equally disgusting sound: "I don't have any insurance."

Varieties of that unpleasant information range from "I don't know" to the sound of running feet on pavement as the driver at fault disappears leaving you and your insurance company holding the financial bag.

Since the law requiring all motorists in Texas to carry liability insurance first went on the books, the Department of Public Safety has estimated, based on analysis of accident reports, that 80 of drivers involved in vehicle crashes have the required coverage while 20 percent do not.

Hoping to solve this perennial problem, Sen. Teel Bivins (R-Amarillo) has filed Senate Bill 411. The measure would create a liability insurance verification program similar to one in Illinois where the non-compliance rate dropped from 17 percent to 5 percent after the law went into effect 12 years ago.

Under the system envisioned in Bivins' bill, the Department of Transportation would mail forms to randomly selected vehicle owners requiring that they provide proof of liability insurance or some other form of financial responsibility. If the registered owner does not respond in 30 days, a warning is mailed. If an owner still does not reply, the owner's registration would be suspended.

To re-establish registration an owner would have to prove financial responsibility and pony up a \$100 fee. Reinstatement after any subsequent violations would cost \$200.

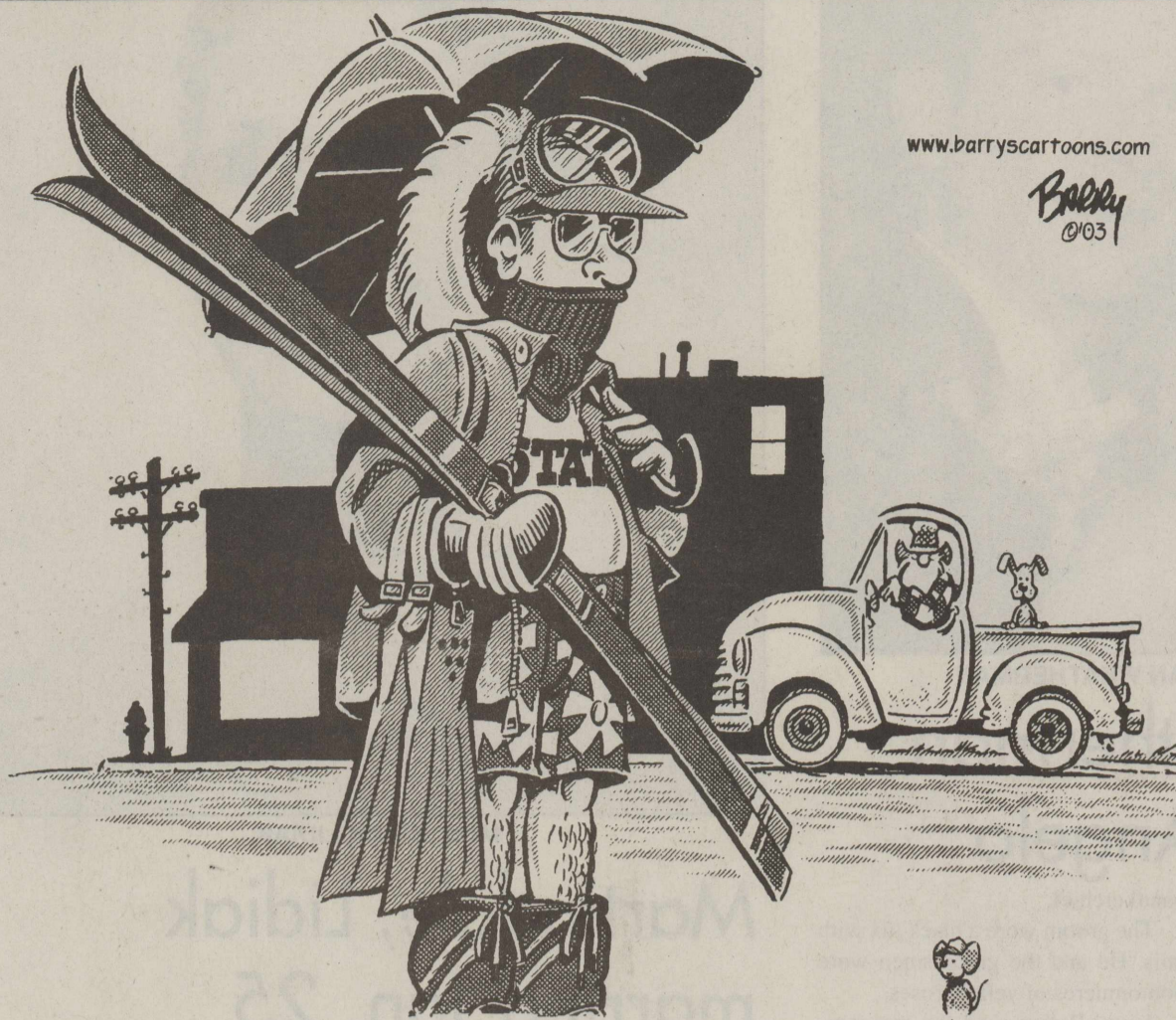
Anyone caught driving while their registration was suspended would be subject to a fine of not less than \$1,000 or more than \$2,000.

### Civil War brochure available...

The new movie "God and Generals" has demonstrated once again that Americans are still interested in the Civil War.

The Texas Historical Commission has produced a 24-page brochure, "Texans in the Civil War," with information on historic and cultural sites in the state dating back to what the diehards still refer to as The War of Northern Aggression.

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## From The Inside Out

By Mary Kaigler

### Who is This Mystery Reader?

I was born in Jacksboro. I have been married 48 years and have two children.

I attended high school at Denton and college at Hardin-Simmons University.

No one knows that I once tried out for the role of Alfalfa in "The Little Rascals" comedies while living in the home town of screen actress Ann Southern, and that I went to school there with Patsy Blondell, niece of actress Joan Blondell. Every year the owner of a theater there sent me free tickets to the movies.

My favorite TV show is "Fox News."

My favorite type of music is Gospel. My favorite song is "Sweet Beulahland."

I like to fish, hunt and golf.

The last book I read was *Gentle Mercies*, by Austin attorney Hal Haralson, whose father grew up at Center Point in Haskell county. I am now reading books by Martyn Lloyd-Jones.

My favorite vacation spot in Texas is Comanche. My favorite vacation spot in the world is Colorado.

My worst quality is impatience. I hate it when people don't keep their promises.

My greatest personal accomplishment has been in relation to my work in the church.

For me, the best thing about Haskell is the camaraderie of the local people. Haskell people are very accommodating; more so than those in the big cities.

Watch next week for this reader's identity.

### Update

Last week's Mystery Reader was Van Josselet of Dalhart.

## USDA requests comments on program

USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service Chief Bruce Knight has announced that the advance notice of proposed rulemaking and request for comments on the Conservation Security Program (CSP) will be released for publication to the Federal Register. This is a new program authorized in the 2002 Farm Bill.

The advance notice gives the public the opportunity to comment on key issues that have been raised regarding implementation of the program. The issues are presented in the advance notice.

"Comments gathered during the 30-day comment period will help us develop a proposed rule," Knight said. "Then, the public will have another opportunity to provide input

The son of Jerry and the late Homer Josselet of Haskell, he graduated from Haskell High School in 1971.

Immediately after finishing Texas Tech University, he went to work as a CPA for the firm of Gaskill, Pharis & Pharis, where he has been for the last 28 years. He is now a managing partner of the firm.

His daughter Kari lives in New Orleans. Son Chris lives in Hearn.

Along with a love for his work, Van loves to run, and has run in 13 marathons (26.2 miles each) in San Francisco, Chicago, Long Beach, San Diego, Philadelphia, Albany, Taos, San Antonio and three in Dallas.

He enjoys having his sister Catherine (Cathy) Bartley and niece Misti, share his enthusiasm for running. His personal goal for this year is to qualify for the 50 year-olds category in the Boston Marathon in April, by running it in the required qualifying time of 3 hours, 35 minutes. Already having run the distance in that amount of time, he feels he has a good chance to qualify.

Combining the runs with a love for traveling, he always tours the surrounding area of the marathons he enters. After tax season is over this year, he plans to take his fifth Wind Jammer Cruise in the Caribbean.

Van attributes his mother's father, the late Walter Rinehart of Rule, with teaching him an appreciation of gardening and flowers. Each year he enjoys raising his own garden and growing flowers "everywhere," he says.

His grandmother, Lorene Rinehart, was a great cook, and this past year, Cathy Bartley put recipes from their grandmother's old cookbook into a new cookbook for everyone. During the Christmas

holidays, when the family was all together, Van prepared his grandmother's meatloaf for them.

### Thoughts for the Week

"If we have the courage to lift our eyes above the agony of the moment, we may see a world in which the forces of applied science and the diffusion of knowledge offer to all men and nations a plane of living, a freedom and richness of spiritual, cultural, and economic attainment that can scarcely be imagined at the present moment." —James T. Shotwell

David E. Lilienthal, who was a close associate in the development of atomic energy, wrote in "This Do I Believe," that we have the knowledge and the power to mold the very face of things.

"What we need is the will and the faith. Faith is more potent than any bomb! Faith is the most potent weapon ever devised," he said.

"Faith in action is the wellspring of America's great strength, the source of America's great power and achievement. Do not lose faith in mankind, and in the purposes of the Creator. Do not lose faith in the future. Much is being done to promote brotherhood, understanding and peace."

With belief in the nation and its people and in the capacity of democracy to survive, his faith is deeply rooted in the background and traditions of American democracy. Written to a nation caught in a time of despair and panic dread of atomic war, the message of his words is not for those times alone, but can be an inspiring one for all times of doubt and despair; even now, when it seems that much is not being done in some places to promote brotherhood, understanding and peace.

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## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

### 10 Years Ago

February 18, 1993

Paint Creek students Jason Shaw and Hattie Walton greeted State Agriculture Commissioner Riek Perry at the Paint Creek Open House.

Six students from Haskell County were included on the Dean's list at McMurry University in Abilene. The students were Melissa Renee Pheaster, Dala Ann Young and Cindy Jo Roebuck of Haskell; Larressa Lynn LeFevre, Carlton West Pierce and Thomas Rusk White of Rule.

### 20 Years Ago

February 17, 1983

Members of the Haskell County Commissioners Court accepted the resignation of Haskell County Sheriff G.T. Garrett. Garrett was first elected Sheriff in November 1960 and took office January 1, 1961.

Indians won the District title in overtime against the Hamlin Pied Pipers. Indian Jamie Davis led with 27 points, followed by Patrick McCoy and Shane Hadaway with 16 points each.

A large crowd attended the 47th Annual Banquet of the Haskell Chamber of Commerce. The outstanding citizens were Mrs. Tom Richardson named Woman of the Year and Dudley Phelps named Man of the Year.

### 30 Years Ago

February 15, 1973

Award recipients for the All-Sport's Banquet were Joe Kretschmer, Danny Smith, Mary Ann Elliott, Glenda Chapman, Bobby Cobb and Jackie Young.

Garland McKelvain, a student at Texas Tech, was one of five college students in the State of Texas to be accepted after only two years of undergraduate study to the University of Texas Dental Branch in Houston. Garland is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C.W. McKelvain.

Winners of a flower arrangement contest in the Homemaking II class of Haskell High School were: 1st place, Susan Hopkins; 2nd place, Janie Henderson.

### 40 Years Ago

February 21, 1963

Mrs. Donald E. Tankersley, former Ada Elizabeth Pumphrey, was among 26 students who made the Dean's Honor List at Wayland Baptist College.

Aubrey Simpkins was named president of the Rotary Club of Rule. Others elected were: Mordant McKinney, M.E. Trice, Novice Ousley, C.A. Grice and Alton Richards.

A.R. Eaton of Rule received a "Distinguished Service Award" at the Texas Federation of Cooperatives. The award was presented for "recognition of meritorious and exceptional accomplishments."

### 50 Years Ago

February 19, 1953

H. M. Jones of Ballinger, well known West Texas newspaper man and former newspaper publisher at Brownwood, joined the staff of The Free Press as mechanical superintendent.

The Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in Korea has been presented to 1st Lt. Robert C. (Cliff) Cobb of Haskell by Major Robert E. Gage of the Texas Military District.

Nig Bartlett of this city has announced the establishment of a Chinchilla Ranch here, where he plans to raise registered chinchillas for market and re-stocking purposes.

Following the custom of past years, Haskell will join in the World-wide observance of the World Day of Prayer. Church chimes will be the signal for a minute of prayer. The World Day of Prayer was begun in 1887.

### 100 Years Ago

February 21, 1903

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Pierson left for Galveston to see the warships. From that city they went to San Antonio and Austin, taking a look at the Legislature and calling on Hon. W.M. Pierson. They also visited in Waco a few days.

Our report showed 3.4 inches of rain here during January and February. Since then there was 2.65 inches more bringing the total to date to 6.03 inches.

## Students in the News

Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene announces that four students from Haskell were named to the honor list for the fall 2002 semester.

Melanie Alvarez, Amy Aycock and Angela Aycock were named to the HSU President's List, which

honors students who completed at least 12 semester hours with a 4.0 grade point average. Katie Cruz was named to the HSU honorable mention list, which honors students

who completed from 6 to 11 semester hours with a 3.6 grade point average.

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

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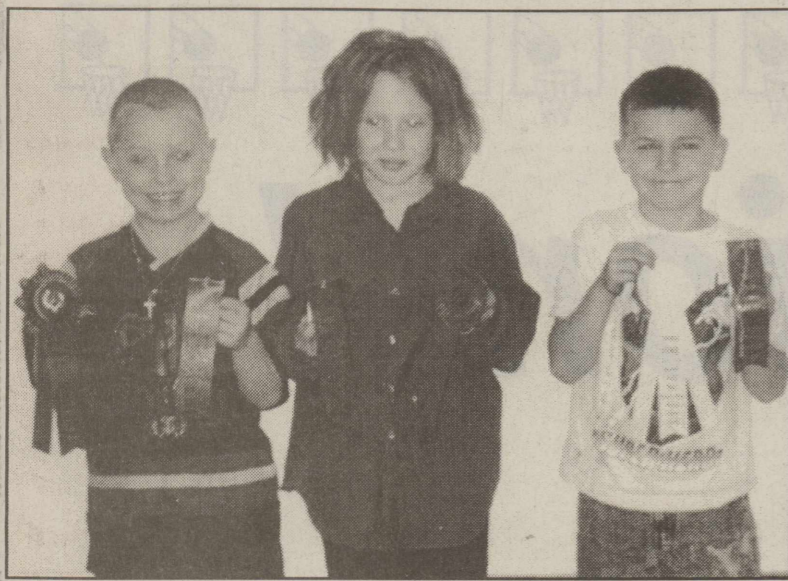
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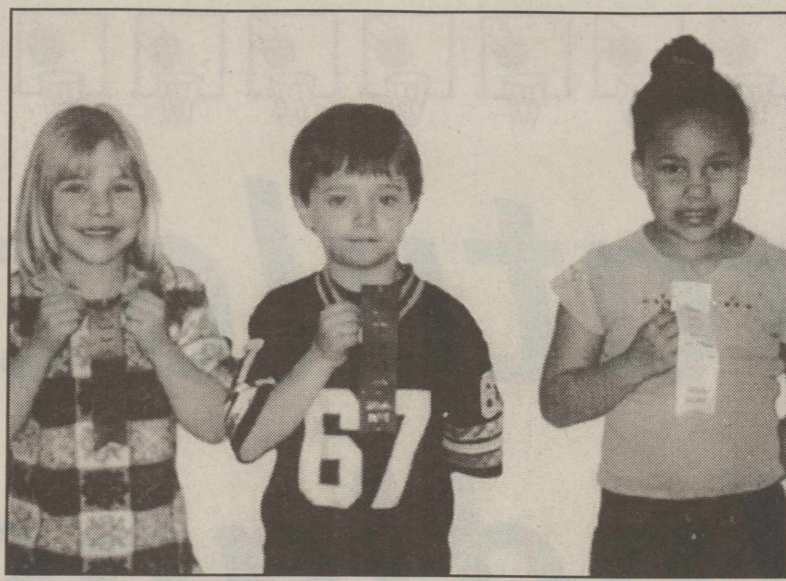
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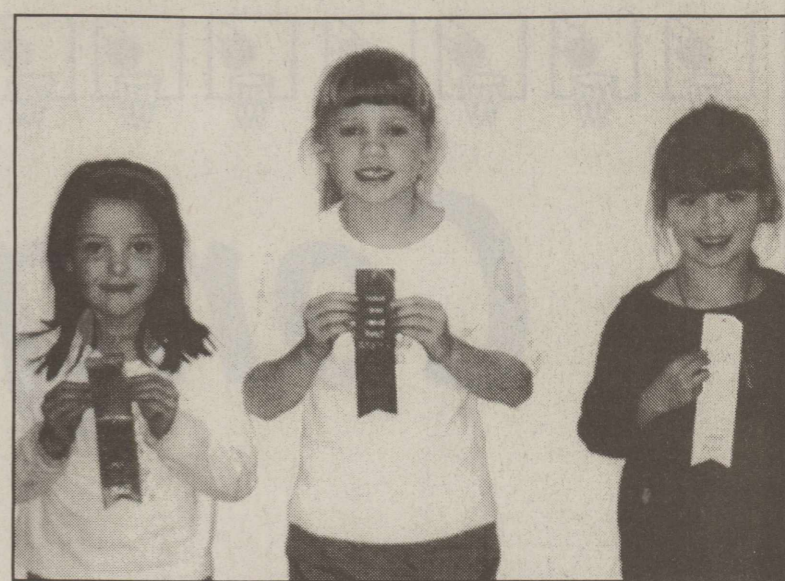




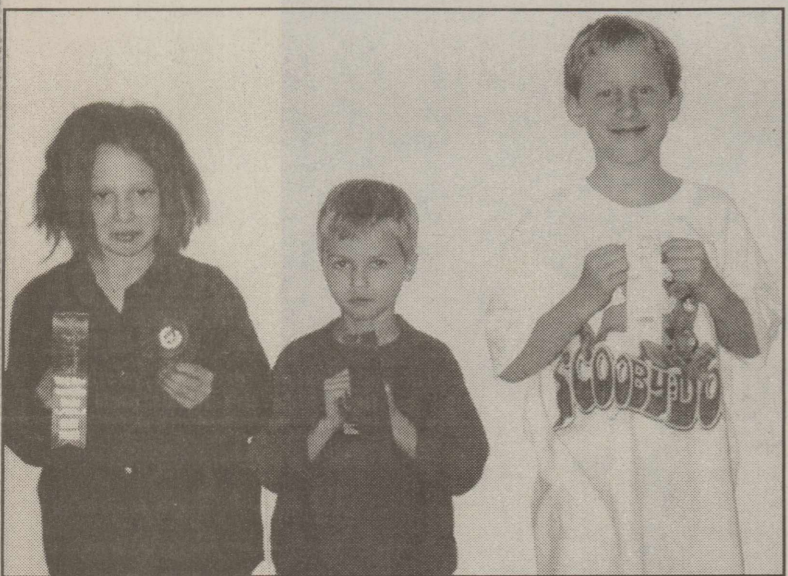
**DISTRICT POSTER WINNERS**— Named district winners in the SWCD Conservation Poster Contest were: l-r, 1st place, Dalton Barnett, third grade; 2nd place, Krystal Deshazo, second grade; 3rd place, Matthew Pritchard, third grade. All are from Paint Creek School.



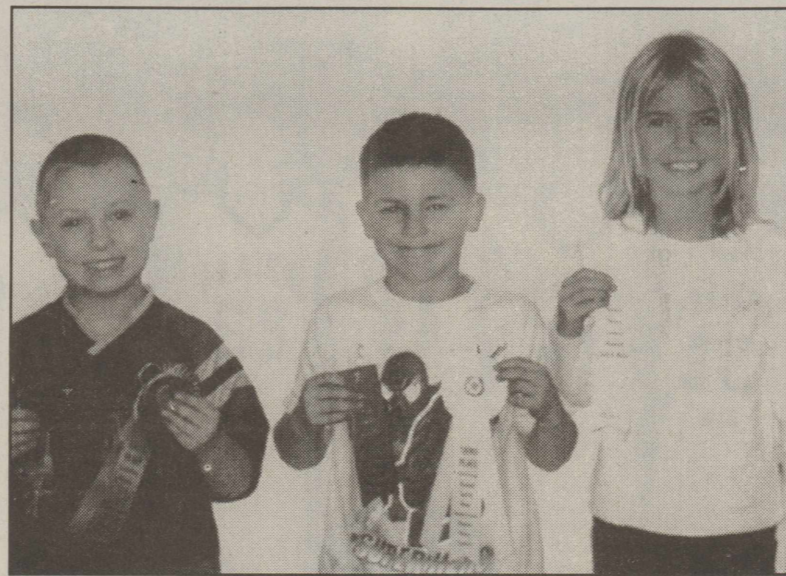
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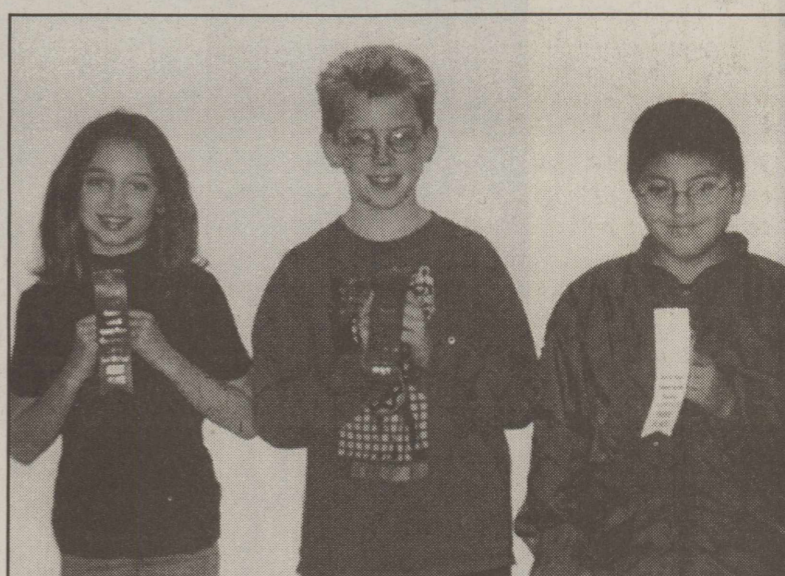
**PAINT CREEK FIRST GRADERS**—Winners in the Poster Contest were: 1st place, Kannan Pittcock; 2nd place, Caitlin Medford; 3rd place, Tarah Trotter.



**PAINT CREEK SECOND GRADERS**—Winners in the Poster Contest were: l-r, 1st place, Krystal Deshazo; 2nd place, Cheyenne Buerger; 3rd place, Caleb Thomasson.



**PAINT CREEK THIRD GRADERS**—Winners in the Soil and Water Conservation District Contest were: l-r, 1st place, Dalton Barnett; 2nd place, Matthew Pritchard; 3rd place, Katrina Buerger.

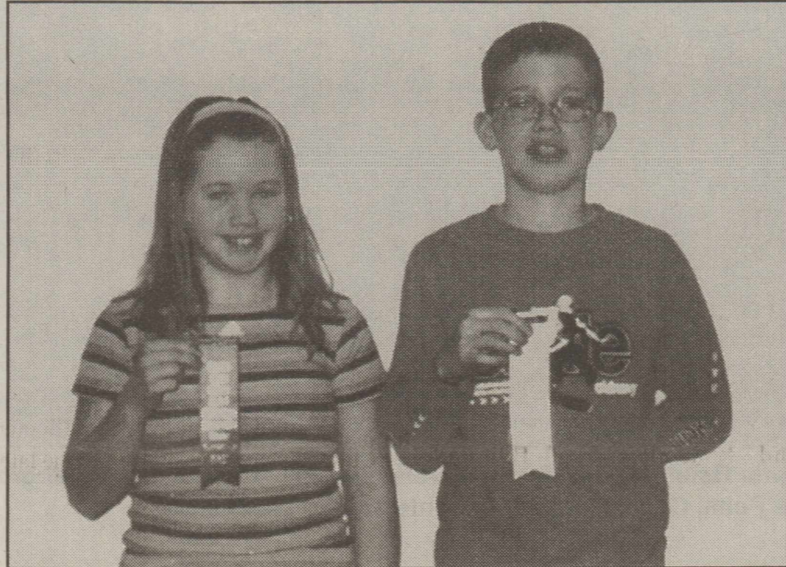


**PAINT CREEK FOURTH GRADERS**—Winners in the SWCD Poster Contest were: l-r, 1st place, Victoria Reid; 2nd place, Curtis Bishop; 3rd place, David Gonzales.

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**PAINT CREEK FIFTH GRADERS**—Winners in the Soil and Water Conservation District Poster Contest were: l-r, 1st place, Jessie Pendergraft; 2nd place, not pictured, Tracy Medford; 3rd place, Brennan Medford.

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## Commissioners' Court report

Haskell County Commissioners' Court met Feb. 10.

Under reports, the Court approved the County Treasurer's monthly report. Bank reconciliations of the County Attorney and District Clerk were reviewed.

Discussion and possible action on the Forestry Service Fire Department Grant was tabled until the next meeting.

Joy Kimbrough, Haskell County Chief Probation Officer met with the court to explain the need for the county to put juvenile probation office employees on Haskell County's workers compensation policy, and the adult probation employees to be added to the County's unemployment policy.

Charges incurred will be refunded by the Probation Department. A motion was approved to do this.

Upon the recommendation of Sheriff David Halliburton, the court approved taking Felicia Rodriguez off probationary salary, placing her on regular salary effective Feb. 15.

Several line item transfers were made to the budget.

The court approved paying Ginger Cook a \$20,000 grant information sent to Haskell County.

A motion was approved to clarify the amount of the bid from Medford Buick Pontiac on the new Sheriff's vehicle, stated in the Dec. 9 meeting minutes as \$25,962.75 to read, \$25,684.75.

The matter of a contribution to Haskell Soil & Water Conservation District was tabled until next meeting.

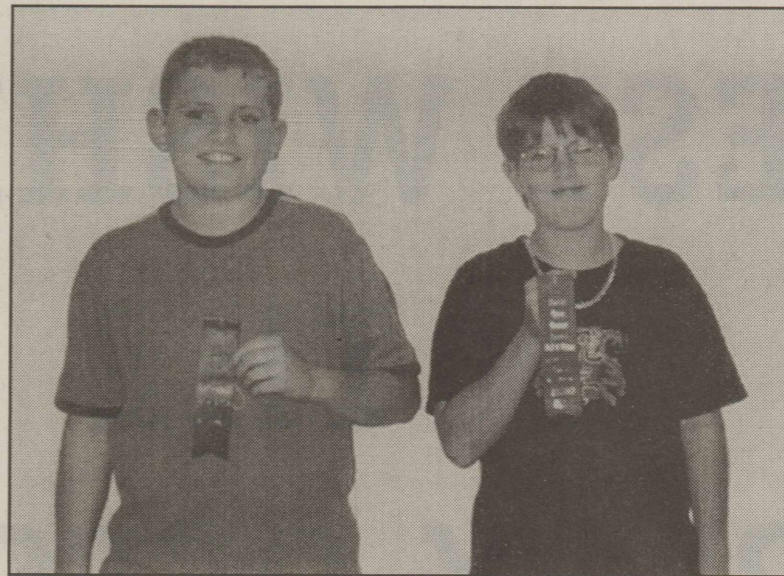
The next meeting of the Commissioners' Court was changed to Mon., Feb. 24, at 9:00 a.m.

The setting of the rate for prisoners medical charges was tabled until the next meeting.

Christie Gardner, representative of the Texas Highway Department met with the court to discuss property acquisition for proposed FM Road 3337.

### Peanut deadline

The final deadline for producers to request 2002 crop peanut marketing assistance loans and LDPs has been extended to the close of business on Feb. 28. For more information contact the FSA at 864-2617.



**PAINT CREEK SIXTH GRADERS**—Winners in the SWCD Poster Contest were: l-r, 1st place, Marty Hall, 2nd place, Caleb Whitfield; 3rd place, not pictured, Will Brueggeman.

## ESTATE AUCTION: Sat., Feb. 22 at 10 a.m.

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**TV'S & KITCHEN APPL.:** Whirlpool super capacity washer & electric dryer, Whirlpool side by side refrigerator/freezer, Sanyo color TV, Sanyo VCR, Zenith color console TV, Panasonic microwave, small kitchen appliances, cast iron skillet, pots, pans, Corning Ware and much more.

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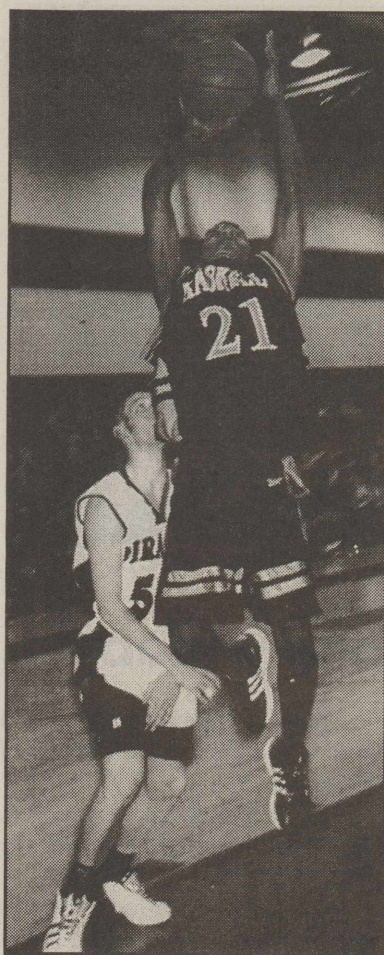
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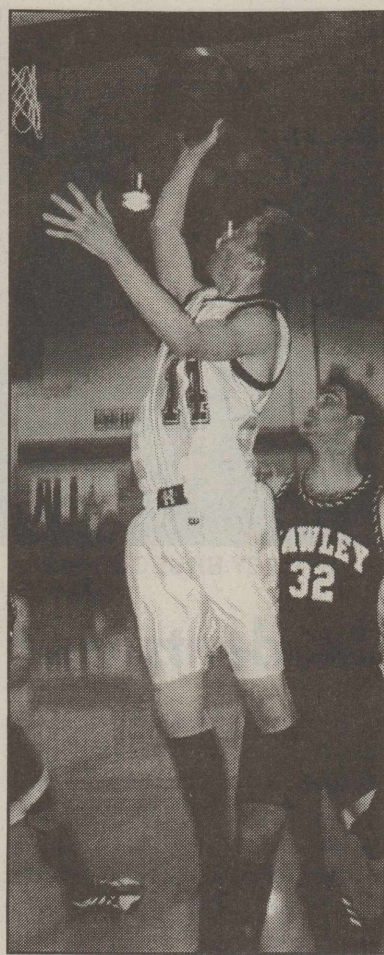
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**LEAPING LEON**—Haskell Indian Leon Goudeau (21), goes up for a basket in the game with Eula.

Photo by Bill Blankenship



**WEBB SCORES**—Josh Webb (14) puts one in for the Indians in their 68-46 win over Hawley, Feb. 11.

Photo by Bill Blankenship



**FIVE GENERATIONS**—Vivian Hunt, seated, poses with her great-grandson, Tristin Payne, held by his mother, great-granddaughter, Adria Payne. Standing back, l-r, are granddaughter, Leta Stephens, and daughter, Judy Andrews.

## Area Basketball scores

**Girls**  
 Rule 41, Klondike 36  
 Scoring for Rule: T. Lisle 21, Dudensing 8, Marquis 5, Brown 3, A. Lisle 2, Smith 2.  
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**Boys**  
 Haskell 68, Hawley 46  
 Scoring for Haskell: Burgess 18, M. Garcia 12, Goudeau 11, E. Loyd 10, Webb 9, Mitchell 2, O. Garcia 2, Hairgrove 2, Pena 2.  
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 Haskell 82, Aspermont 45  
 Scoring for Haskell: E. Loyd 25, M. Garcia 14, Burgess 13, Webb 10, Goudeau 8, O. Garcia 5, Hairgrove 2, Blanks 2, McCulloch 2, Foster 1.

## Area girls named to All District teams

Rule Lady Bobcats, who finished their season with a 21-9 record, were outscored by Spur High School 12-9 in the fourth quarter of the Class Area-round playoff game at Jayton.  
 Rule girls named to the District 8-A Division II All-District 1st Team were Abby Dudensing and Breanna Marquis. Named to the 2nd Team were Kinsey Brown and M'Lynn Lehmann, both of Rule; Amy Turner of Rochester; Diann Gonzales of Paint Creek.  
 Tara Lisle of Rule was named Most Valuable Player. Tiffany Byrd of Rochester was named Offensive Player of the Year. Keli Smith of Rule was named 6th Man.

## Childs receives superior ratings

Alan Childs and six other youth from the Harvest Time Assembly of God Church in Midland attended the Annual Assemblies of God Fine Arts district competition held in Lubbock Sat., Feb. 15.

The seven member band

competed in the Christian Band division, playing "Miracle in the House." They received merits and a superior with invitation rating. The Worship Team received a superior rating with "Everyone and Company of Worshipers." Alan played "It Is Well" in a keyboard solo and received a superior with invitation rating.

All of the group will go to Washington, D. C. in Aug. for National Competition. One band member, Alex Martinez received a superior with invitation in the Short Sermon division.

Alan is the son of John and Monica Childs of Midland; the grandson of Charlotte and Vern Foreman of Odessa, Joel and Mrs. Nanny of Haskell, Wayne and Joyce Childs, Lorraine and the late Glenda Childs; the great grandson of the late Otho and Jenelle Nanny, Lois Redwine and the late Charley Redwine of Haskell.

## Births

Paul and Keli Gibson of Abilene have proudly announced the arrival of their first child, William Mark Gibson.

"Will" was born at 10:48 a.m. Feb. 11. He weighed 7 pounds 7 ounces, and was 20 1/2 inches long.

He is welcomed by his maternal grandparents, Beverly Bearden of Roswell, New Mexico, and Glenn and Anne Perry of Edmond, Oklahoma, and his paternal grandparents, Charles and Pam Gibson of Abilene.

Great-grandparents are Doris Draper of Roswell, New Mexico, John and Nina Perry of Elgin, Oklahoma, Henry and Pansy Harris of Haskell and Oris Gibson of Haskell. Proud Uncle Chad, Aunt Kristi and cousins Chase and Kourtney Gibson live in Haskell.

## Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 412 head of cattle at its sale on Mon., Feb. 17, according to Gary Tate, reporter. 58 sellers and 31 buyers attended.

Demand good on all cattle, steady with last week.

Cows: fat, .38-.42; cutters, .36-.45; canners, .15-.28.

Bulls: bologna, .45-.52; feeders, .64-.75; utility, .39-.48.

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## LEGAL NOTICE

On February 6, 2003, VALOR Telecommunications of Texas, LP (VALOR) filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) to establish surcharges to recover lost revenues and increased costs associated with seven hundred thirteen (713) Expanded Local Calling Service (ELCS) routes implemented in and between VALOR's Texas telephone exchanges and in many instances, exchanges of other local telephone companies. The application is filed based on the Commission's Substantive Rule 26.221 titled, "Applications to Establish or Increase Expanded Local Calling Service Surcharges".

ELCS expands a local calling scope to include one or more additional telephone exchanges, if customers in a petitioning exchange approve by ballot, the payment of an ELCS fee in lieu of long distance charges. The costs and lost revenues associated with VALOR's surcharge application are those not recoverable through the ELCS fee.

In the application, VALOR proposes to implement on an interim basis a monthly per line surcharge of \$ .99 for residential customers and \$1.98 for business customers beginning with the April, 2003 bill cycle. This proposed surcharge will apply in addition to any monthly ELCS fees. If rates at or above the level of the interim surcharges are not ultimately approved by the Commission, VALOR will refund all or part of the interim surcharges, as directed by the Commission. Ultimately, VALOR seeks approval of monthly surcharges of \$3.38 for business lines and \$1.69 for residential lines to replace the interim surcharges. Additionally, the application proposes that customers currently billed ELCS fees lower than \$3.50 per residential line and \$7 per business line, will have those fees raised to \$3.50 per residential line and \$7 per business line.

The net annual effect on the revenues of VALOR will be zero since the requested surcharge replaces lost revenues and reimburses VALOR for the increased cost of service associated with ELCS. The estimated total lost revenues and increased costs VALOR seeks to recover through this proceeding is \$7,601,145 annually.

If you have questions about the proposed surcharges or would like further information, please call VALOR at 1-877-520-5220. The Public Utility Commission has assigned Project No. 27363 to this proceeding. Persons who wish to intervene in or comment upon these proceedings should notify the Public Utility Commission of Texas as soon as possible and no later than April 14, 2003, the intervention deadline. A request to intervene or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, PO Box 13326, Austin, TX 78711-3326. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing-impaired and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the Commission at (512) 936-7136.

## AVISO

El 6 de febrero de 2003, VALOR Telecom de Texas, LP (VALOR) sometió una solicitud a La Comisión Pública de Servicios de Texas (Public Utility Commission of Texas) para establecer sobrecargos para recuperar las ganancias perdidas y los costos incrementados relacionados con siete cientos trece (713) rutas implementadas del Servicio Expandido de Llamadas Locales (Expanded Local Calling Service) entre los despachos centrales de teléfono de VALOR de Texas y en muchas instancias, despachos de otras compañías locales de teléfono. La solicitud se sometió basada en la Regla 26.221 de La Comisión titulada, "Solicitudes para Establecer o Incrementar los Sobrecargos de Servicio Expandido de Llamadas Locales".

ELCS extiende el alcance de llamadas locales para incluir uno o más despachos de teléfono adicionales, si los clientes de un despacho hacen una petición de cambio que es aprobada por voto para pagar un cargo de ELCS en lugar de sobrecargos de larga distancia. Los costos y ganancias perdidas relacionadas con los sobrecargos de la solicitud de VALOR no son recuperables a través de la cuota del ELCS.

En la solicitud, VALOR propone implementar temporalmente un cargo mensual por línea de \$0.99 por cliente residencial y \$1.98 para clientes comerciales empezando con la facturación del ciclo de Abril, 2003. Este cargo propuesto se aplicará en adición a cualquier cargo mensual ELCS. Si las tarifas al o sobre el nivel de los sobrecargos temporarios no son ultimadamente aprobados por la Comisión, VALOR reembolsará todo o parte de los sobrecargos temporales, indicados por La Comisión. Ultimadamente, VALOR busca aprobación de sobrecargos mensuales de \$3.38 por líneas comerciales y \$1.69 por líneas residenciales para reemplazar los sobrecargos temporarios. Adicionalmente, la solicitud propone que los clientes que actualmente son facturados con tarifas ELCS más bajas de \$3.50 por línea residencial y \$7.00 por línea comercial, tendrán un incremento de tarifas a \$3.50 por línea residencial y \$7.00 por línea comercial.

El efecto anual en las ganancias de VALOR serán cero siendo que los sobrecargos solicitados reemplazan las ganancias perdidas y reembolsa a VALOR por incremento en el costo del servicio relacionado con ELCS. El costo estimado total de las ganancias perdidas y el incremento de costos que VALOR tiene como fin recuperar a través de este procedimiento es \$7,601,145 anualmente.

Si usted tiene alguna pregunta acerca de los sobrecargos propuestos o si necesita más información, por favor llame a VALOR al 1-877-520-5220.

La Comisión de Servicios Públicos ha asignado el Proyecto No. 27363 a este procedimiento. Las personas que deseen intervenir o comentar en o sobre estos procedimientos deben notificar La Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas tan pronto como sea posible y no más tarde del día 14 de Abril 2003, fecha límite de la intervención. Para intervenir o para más información, escriba a La Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas (Public Utility Commission of Texas), 1701 N. Congress Avenue, PO Box 13326, Austin, TX 78711-3326. También puede solicitar más información llamando a La Comisión de Servicios Públicos al (512) 936-7120 o al (888) 782-8477. Personas con impedimentos de hablar o del sentido de oír con teléfonos de textos (TTY) pueden comunicarse con La Comisión al (512) 936-7136.

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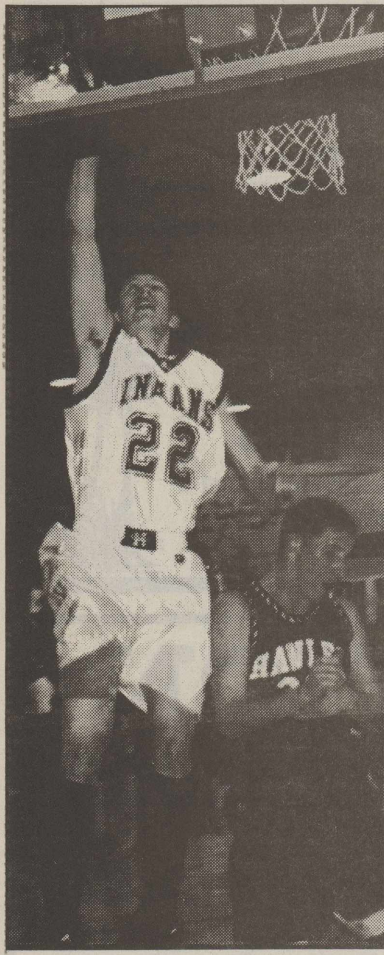
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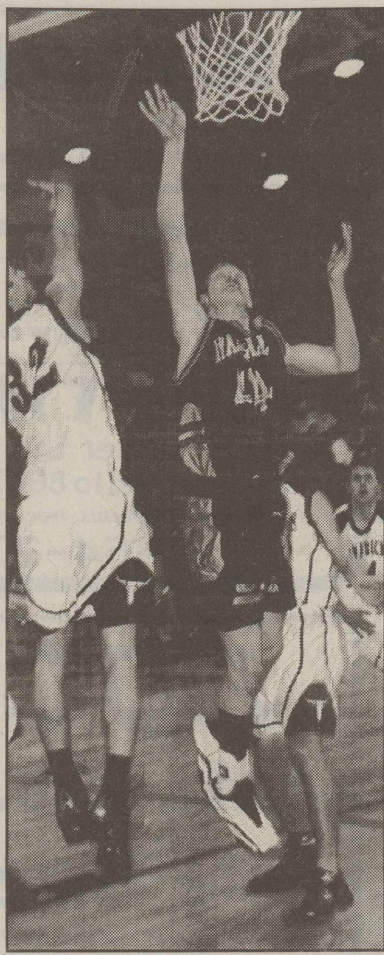
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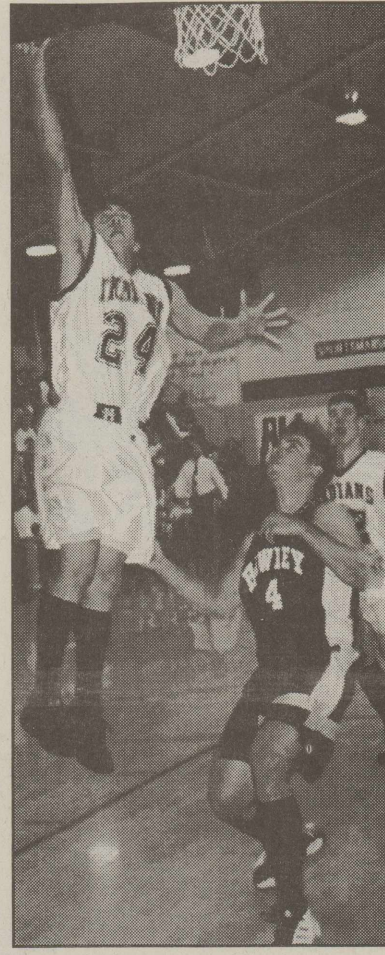
LOYD ALOFT-Haskell's Eddie Loyd (22), goes up for a basket in the game with Hawley, Tues., Feb. 11.

Photo by Bill Blankenship



BURGESS BASKET-Indian Ryan Burgess (44) lifts in a score in Haskell's winning game with Eastland.

Photo by Bill Blankenship



GARCIA GOES UP-Melvin Garcia (24), scores for Haskell in the Indians 68-46 win over Hawley.

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Haskell School Menu

February 24-28 Breakfast

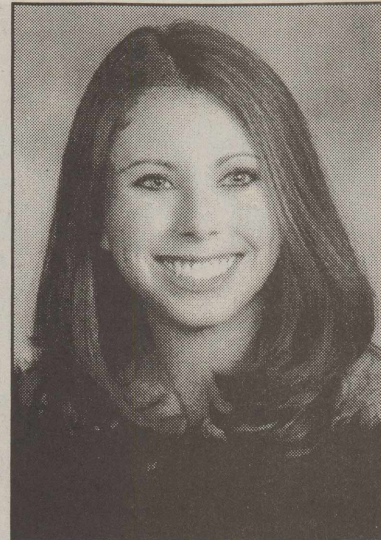
Juice and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.

- Monday: Breakfast pizza
Tuesday: Giant pretzel
Wednesday: Cereal, toast
Thursday: Sausage/biscuit
Friday: Funnel cake

Lunch

Milk and iced tea are served daily at the Secondary campus. Milk is served daily at the Elementary School.

- Monday: Chicken nuggets/gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli and cheese, hot roll, fruit cocktail
Tuesday: Beef burrito, chips/salsa, Spanish rice, garden salad, peaches/cookie
Wednesday: Pizza, corn, crunchy Oriental slaw, Elem.: ice cream, Secondary: peanut butter pie
Thursday: Spaghetti and meat sauce, fried okra, garden salad, garlic breadstick, pears
Friday: Chili dog/cheese, tater tots, baby carrots/ranch dressing, apple wedges



SYDNEY BRUEGEMAN



WENDY PROCTOR

Students visit Rotary Club

Sydney Brueggeman is the daughter of Danny and Connie Brueggeman of Haskell.

She is a member of First Baptist Church.

Her school activities include UIL Academics, FFA, National Honor Society and band.

Special recognitions she has received include 8th place National Range and Pasture Team member, 3rd place State UIL Calculator Team member, FFA Lone Star Degree and Drum Major in band.

She likes spending time with friends and reading.

After finishing high school she plans to attend Baylor University.

Wendy Proctor is the daughter of Wanda and the late Earl Proctor of Haskell.

Her school activities include FFA, band and Drum Major for the marching band.

Special recognitions she has received include a listing in Who's Who Among American High School Students, a member of the 8th place National Range and Pasture Team, FCCLA STAR event participant, 2nd Regional and 5th in state (2000), and FFA Lone Star degree recipient.

After finishing high school she plans to attend Tarleton State University to study international agriculture.

This Week's Devotional Message:



Our world was once filled with the animals and birds of God's creation, but throughout the ages some species have fallen by the wayside while others have managed to remain viable despite all the storms, floods, droughts and earthquakes that nature could inflict upon them.

jeopardy than from all the natural disasters combined. Even those hardy survivors may not be able to withstand the cruel or unthinking actions of human beings. We must act humanely toward them, and by example teach our children to do likewise.

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.
Christian Church
Dusty Garrison, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
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.
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.
First United Methodist Church
Allen Brooks, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:50 a.m. 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
First Assembly of God
Rev. J.C. Amburn
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
St. George Catholic Church
Father Michael Melcher
Sat. Mass 7:15 p.m.; Sun. Morn. 9:00 a.m.
Church of Christ
Brett Anderson, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 10:30 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.
First Presbyterian Church
Steve Beatty, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.
Trinity Baptist Church
Tony Grand, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 p.
Hopewell Baptist Church
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.

- Greater Independent Baptist Church
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.
New Covenant Foursquare
Bill and Renee Glass, pastors
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.
Mission Revival Center
Rev. William Hodge
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m.
First Baptist Church
Kevin Hall, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Church in the Park
Rev. Tim and Suzann Townsend
Sun. Morn. 10:30 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.
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 Foursquare Church
Rev. Robert Harrison
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

- ROCHESTER
Church of Christ
Steve Willis, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
First Baptist Church
Jackie Brem, pastor
Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m.
Union Chapel Baptist Church
Rev. Clarence Walker
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
O'BRIEN
O'Brien Baptist Church
Kyle Gullledge, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 5 p., 6 p., Wed. 6 p.m.

- Faith Chapel of Rochester
Katherine Byrd, minister
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m.
First United Methodist Church
Dolan Brinson, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
SAGERTON
Sagerton Methodist Church
Melissa Bemis, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.
Faith Lutheran Church
Deborah Nissen, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.

- RULE
First Baptist Church
Josh Stowe, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Primitive Baptist Church
Dale Turner Jr., pastor
First & Third Sundays 10 a.m.
Church of Christ
John Greeson, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
First United Methodist Church
Tommy Wilson, pastor
Sun. Morn. Worship 10 a.m.
Primera Iglesia Bautista
Alfa y Omegas
Manuel Marin, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
Sweet Home Baptist Church
Bill Trice, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.
West Bethal Baptist Church
Rev. Robert Sweet
Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.

ECC Calendar and Menu

Mon., Feb. 24

Lunch-Beef/spaghetti, whipped potatoes, mixed veggies, Spanish cabbage, garlic toast, banana pudding, milk, tea, or coffee

Wed., Feb. 26

11:00 a.m. Outreach Health Services blood pressure check
Lunch-Roast beef, natural gravy,

creamy mashed potatoes, asparagus/cream sauce, blackeyed peas, yeast rolls, carrot cake, milk, tea, or coffee

Fri., Feb. 28

Lunch-BBQ on a bun, potato salad, pinto beans/with ham, pickles/onions, dessert, milk, tea, or coffee
Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.

4-H photo projects to begin Feb. 23

The Haskell County 4-H Clubs are invited to a Photography Program Sun., Feb. 23 at the Haskell National Bank Community Room in Haskell at 4:00 p.m.

All 4-H'ers who are interested in doing a photography project this spring are encouraged to attend and bring a camera with or without film.

Refreshments will be served. The 2003 4-H photos are due in the Haskell County Extension office Tues., March 18. The Haskell County 4-H Photography awards program will be held Sun., March 23 at the Haskell National Bank Community Room.

If you have any questions, contact the Haskell County Extension Office at (940) 864-2658.

TAX PLANNING

Written By Richard E. Rodgers, CPA



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Personal interest. You cannot deduct interest on personal debts, such as car loans, credit card debt, personal lines of credit, and other consumer loans. By consolidating your otherwise non-deductible loans into a home-equity loan, you may be able to deduct the interest. Realize that you stand to lose your home if you can't make the loan payments.

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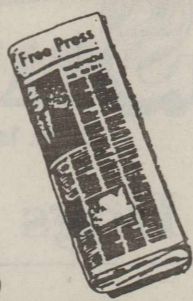
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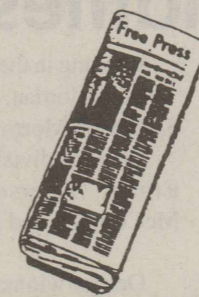




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### Public Notices

**NOTICE TO PUBLIC**  
TAN TERRA Environmental Services, Inc. (TTESI) whose registered agent is Mr. A. L. Rhoads of 1150 Estates Drive, Suite D, in Abilene, Texas 79602, proposes to operate a waste tire processing/storage facility located on land in Haskell County, Texas. The proposed processing/storage facility is situated on the south central portion of an 87.68 acre tract of land described in Volume 7, page 219 in the Haskell County Plat Records. The site of the proposed facility is also located approximately 2.0 miles north of the north city limits of Stamford, Texas. All work at the proposed facility will be performed under existing Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) rules that concern management of waste tires. The TCEQ office in Fort Worth, Texas (Ms. Cynthia Hackathorne at 817-588-5817) or Austin, Texas (Mr. John Forehand at 512-239-2515) may be contacted concerning this project. A copy of the Waste Tire Processing/Storage registration may be reviewed in the County Judge's office in Haskell, Texas. 7-9c

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Infants below the age of six months who drink water containing nitrate in excess of the MCL could become seriously ill and, if untreated, may die. Symptoms include shortness of breath and blue baby syndrome.

You do not need to use an alternative water supply. However, if you have health concerns, you may want to talk to your doctor to get more information about how this may affect you.

At the present time we are currently looking into ways to correct this problem. If you are pregnant or have an infant under six months including in this public water system as a customer, we have made arrangements with local grocery store in Haskell (Modern Way) so that you may get bottled water at the City of Weinert's expense.

If you have any questions or would like to know if you are currently being served as a customer of this public water system please feel free to call or contact the City Secretary Robert Horan, c/o City of Weinert, Box 248, Weinert, Texas 76388 at 940-673-8223.

Our Public Water System ID# is 1040004. 8c

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING ON AGENCY PLANS

The Haskell Housing Authority will hold a Public Meeting on March 18 at 4:30 p.m. to receive comments on the Annual Plan for the Haskell Housing Authority. All documents are on display at the office of the Housing Authority, 702 South Avenue H Monday through Friday, during the hours of 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. 8c

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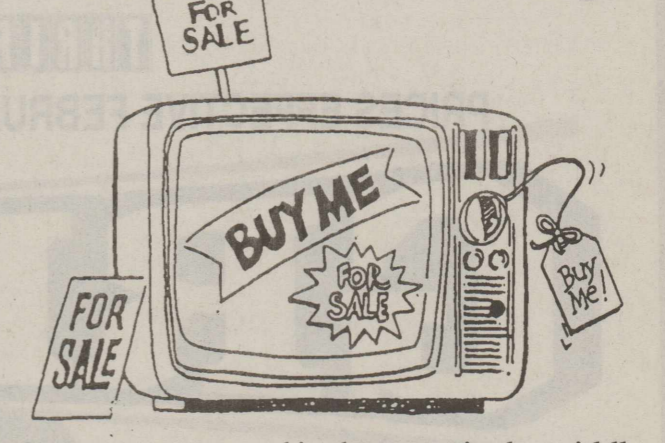
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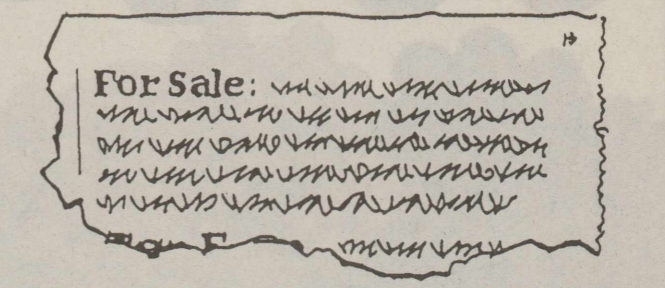
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# Pack 136 names pinewood derby winners

Cub Scout Pack 136 held their annual pinewood derby Sun., Feb. 16 at the little gym in Haskell.

Winning the overall sweepstakes races were 1. Ethan Frierson, 2. Aaron Waggoner and 3. Tucker McCormick.

Tiger division racing winners were 1. Aaron Waggoner, 2. Hunter Hall and 3. Kyle Kimbrough.

Winning in the Wolf division were 1. Hunter Jordan, 2. Brett Shelton and 3. Preston Morrow.

Webelos division winners were 1. Ethan Frierson, 2. Tucker McCormick and 3. A. J. Benton.

Design winners were: Best in the USA, Hector Ramirez; Best in Texas, Daniel Contreras; Best

Hot Rod, Levi Grand; Best Night Rider, Brennan Medford; Best use of Scout Colors, Phillip Coleman.

Most Unique Shape, Braeden Alves; Best Jet Car, Hunter Hall; Most Patriotic, Aaron Waggoner; Best Pickup, Shelton Toliver; and Best Red Racer, Seth Rock.

Best Lead Sled, Ethan Frierson; Best Batmobile, A. J. Benton; Best

Dragster, Preston Morrow; Best Space Car, River McTasney; Best Nascar Entry, David Newton; and Best Branded Car, Kyle Kimbrough.

Best Theme Car, Tucker McCormick; Best Graphics, Brett Shelton; Best Rail Car, Micah Thomas; Best Shuttle Bus, Isaiah Llewellyn; and Best Street Car, Hunter Jordan.



**PINEWOOD DERBY WINNERS**—Cub Scouts holding their ribbons are: back, l-r, Wolf division winners, 1st place Hunter Jordan, 2nd place Brett Shelton, 3rd place Preston Morrow; center, Tiger division winners, 1st place Aaron Waggoner, 2nd place Hunter Hall, 3rd place Kyle Kimbrough; front, Webelos division winners, 1st place Ethan Frierson, 2nd place Tucker McCormick, 3rd place A. J. Benton. Sweepstakes winners were 1st Ethan Frierson, 2nd Aaron Waggoner and 3rd Tucker McCormick.

## Around Town

Visiting with Marvin Letz last weekend were his children, Sandra and Mike Parker of Norman, Okla., Fred and Linda Letz and daughter Dana of Colleyville, and Marlene and Kent Denton of Garland. They helped Marvin celebrate his 86th birthday and took him out for dinner. Other friends who dropped in to visit Marvin on his birthday were Gene Rose of Rochester, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald McCoy, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lusk and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kretschmer, all of Haskell.

Greater Independent Baptist Church held their Black History Month program recently. Churches who helped the group celebrate included Mount Olive, Stamford; West Bethel, Rule; Hopewell, Haskell; Liberty COGIC, Knox City; and New Fellowship, Abilene.

Jean Blair went to Megargel Friday to keep Abigail for Cody Blair.

Mr. and Mrs. Glendon Hawkins of Stamford visited with his mother Joyce on Thursday.

Shirley Freeman of Aspermont visited on Wednesday with her brother Charles and Jean Blair.

Alexia Chavez of Archer City was here a few days visiting with children and friends.

Faye Gray spent the weekend with daughter Judy Hicks of Abilene. They went to church on Sunday and son Lynn of Grapeland came to visit them.

Mr. and Mrs. Chucky Castillo of Lewisville spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Castillo. Mrs. Castillo is spending a lot of time with her mother, Mrs. Jimenez, who is ill in Abilene.

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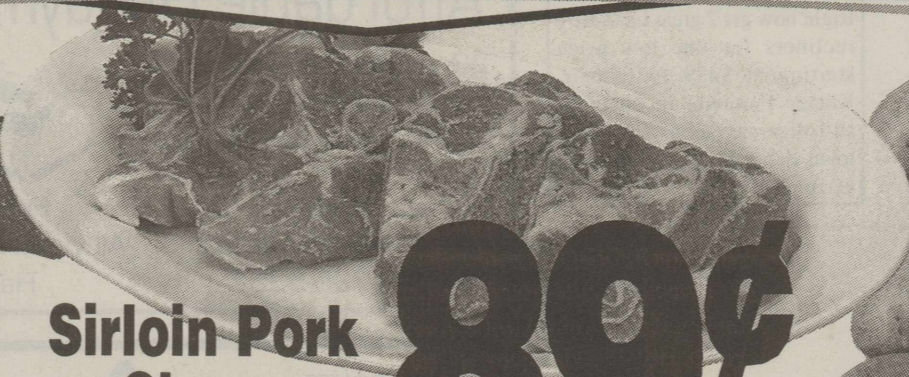
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1 lb. pkg.

99¢



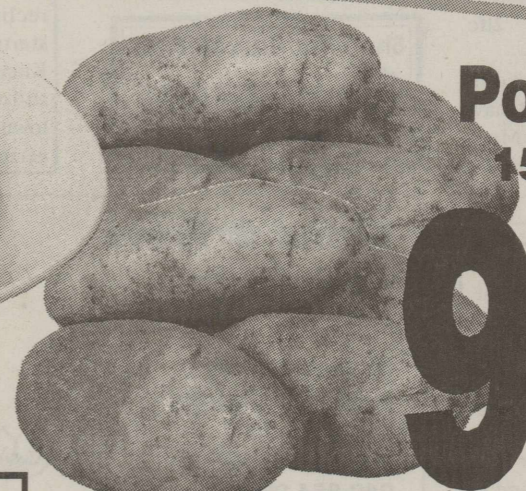
**Sirloin Pork Chops**  
Bone In

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**Potatoes**  
15 lb. bag

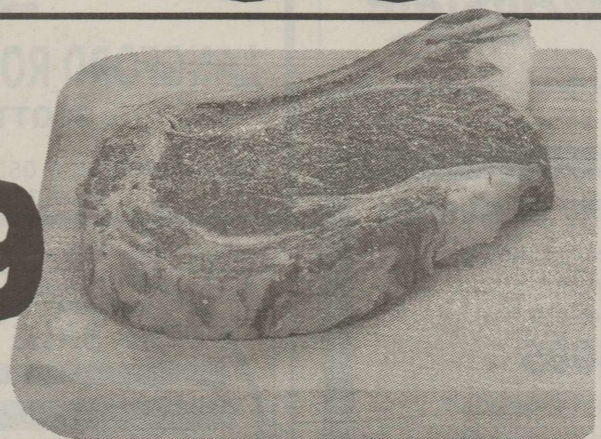
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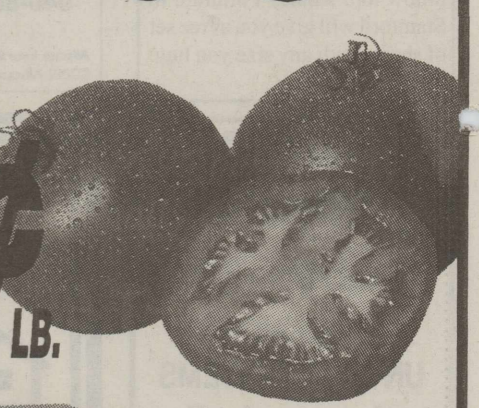
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LB.



**Tomatoes**  
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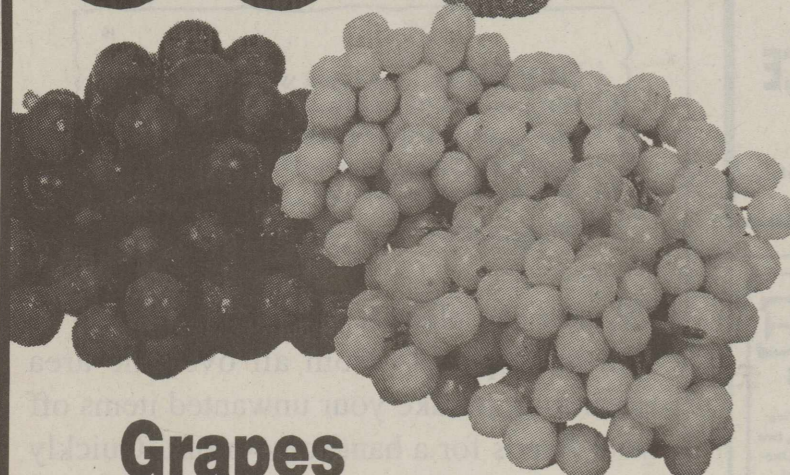
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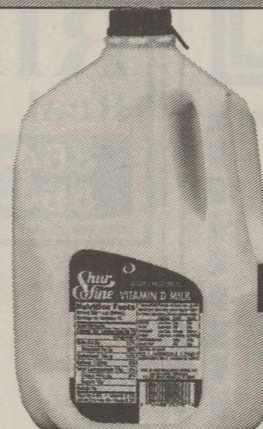
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