

## Calendar

### All night party meeting

A meeting will be held Thurs., May 15 at 7 p.m. at First National Bank meeting room for the Haskell County All Night Party.

### Band concerts

Haskell CISD bands will present spring concerts Thurs., May 8 beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Civic Center. 6th grade, junior high and high school bands will perform.

### Grief group to meet

A grief group will meet Thurs., May 8 at 7 p.m. at 522 S. Second in Haskell. Anyone who has suffered the loss of a loved one is invited to attend. Grief is a lifelong process and comfort can be found in the company of those who have experienced loss. For more information call Helen Wilson 940-256-0537 or 864-5188.

### Sr. Citizen Dance

The Old Glory Senior Citizen's dance will be held Thurs., May 8 from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Old Glory Community Center in Old Glory. Call 940-989-2925 for information.

### Kids Company

The 'Kids Company' of First Baptist Church will present musicals Sun., May 11 at 6 p.m. Awards will also be presented for the program.

### Noah Project

The Noah Project-North Advisory Committee will meet at KP's restaurant in Haskell Fri., May 9 at noon. If you live in Jones, Haskell, Knox, Stonewall or Throckmorton counties and would like to become a member, attend this meeting. For more information call 940-864-2551 or after 5 p.m., 1-800-586-0023.

### Sagerton homecoming

Sagerton Homecoming is set May 24-25 at the Sagerton Community Center beginning at 1 p.m. on Sat. Contact Mrs. Charles Clark 940-864-2680 for more information.

### Christmas decorations

Funds are still being sought for the purchase of new Christmas decorations for the citizens of Haskell to enjoy. To donate, send donations to City of Haskell Decorations Fund, P. O. Box 1003, Haskell, Texas 79521 or drop by City Hall.

### Rehabilitation fee

The City of Haskell will collect \$1 on a Haskell citizen's water bill to help defray the cost of city beautification projects. Drop by City Hall or call 864-2333 to be added to the list.

### Immunizations

The Texas Dept. of Health in Stamford will hold an immunization clinic Thurs., May 15 at the Haskell National Bank Community Building in Haskell. Clinic times are from 2 to 4 p.m. For more information call 325-773-5681.

### Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., May 17 from 10 a.m. til 11:30 a.m. at 1303 N. Ave. I in Haskell. Volunteers are needed.

### Art Association

The Brazos West Art Association will meet Mon., May 12 at 7 p.m. at the Haskell National Bank Community Room. All members are to bring a salad. Officers will be installed.

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## Happy Mother's Day

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**YOUNG JOURNALISTS**—Haskell 6th graders, l-r, Amanda Gutierrez, Lannie Coleman, Faith Silvas, Meghan Kloog, Tommy Rodriguez and T. J. Trevino work in the composing room at the Haskell Free Press, Thurs., May 1, to construct a page layout of page 3 of the May 1 edition of the newspaper. They also compared

the first edition of the Haskell Free Press, printed in 1886, and a 1968 edition to the May 1 edition. They learned new words like: morgue, head, mug shot; and the importance of proofreading. The students are staff members of the sixth grade's publication "Mad Engine Press." Their advisor is Peggy Darden.

## Teams battle nature in Rattlesnake Race

The Fifth Annual Rock, Roll and Rattlesnake Challenge (RRRC) Adventure Race hosted by Rattlesnake Racing, held in Haskell, Jones and Shackelford Counties May 1-3, once again held up to its reputation as being the toughest, longest adventure race in Texas, as Team Eco-Oklahoma and a tornado

both crossed the finish line at Krooked River Ranch at 8:07 Saturday night.

Thirteen teams of four people biked, kayaked, ran and orienteered their way through Haskell, Lake Stamford, L&N South Paint Creek Ranch and Krooked River Ranch.

The teams completed a course of 135 miles.

Teams traveled from Texas, Oklahoma, Missouri, New Mexico and Kentucky to compete in the RRRC 2003. Nine teams completed the non-stop course. Team NUBS of Dallas, with member Kim Chance, Brent McIlvain, Mark Nicholson and Shane Nicholson, won the race with a time of 49 hours.

The first Rock, Roll and Rattlesnake Challenge was held in Haskell in May of 1999. For the first three years the RRRC was a 12-to-24 hour adventure race. As the popularity of multi-day adventure races grew, the RRRC 2002 was vamped up to a three-day non-stop race.

Each year the weather throws a

curve to participants. In 1999 heat was a challenge. In 2000 extreme heat with a record high of 110 degrees on May 6, was an extreme challenge. In 2001 mild temperatures during the day were great, but the low of 36 degrees during the night made for some frigid racers. 2002 was the year for torrential rain and cold temperatures, but paddling on the Clear Fork of the Brazos was fast, fun and furious. Racers will not soon forget the tornados and hail in 2003.

Rattlesnake Racing will host the Sixth Annual Rock, Roll and Rattlesnake Challenge Adventure Race the first weekend in May, 2004.

More information and results of the RRRC 2003 can be found at [www.rattlesnakeracing.com](http://www.rattlesnakeracing.com).

## Sagerton community homecoming to be held May 24-25

The fourteenth Sagerton Homecoming will be held Sat., May 24 and Sun., May 25, in the Sagerton Community Center (formerly the Sagerton School).

Activities have been planned by the Homecoming Committee with Clancy Lehrmann as chairman. Registration will begin at 1:00 p.m. Saturday. For those who would like to see the "old and "new" places in the Sagerton Community, bus tours will be held on Saturday beginning at 1:30 p.m. At 6:00 p.m. a sandwich supper will be served followed by visitation at the Sagerton Community Center.

Sunday, registration will begin at 9:00 a.m., but church services will also welcome former members at their churches. A catered lunch will be served at noon without charge, but pre-registration is necessary. After lunch there will be a short program in the auditorium with special recognition given to all veterans. Donations will be accepted to defray expenses of our homecoming.

Persons that have not pre-registered need to contact Mrs. Charles Clark by telephone, 940-997-2680.

## Goudeau, Burgess, Webb named to academic team

Three Haskell High School members of the boy's basketball team recently named to the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches'

All-State Academic Team, are seniors Leon Goudeau, Ryan Burgess and Josh Webb.



**RATTLESNAKE RACING ADVENTURE**—Members of Team Eco-Oklahoma, kayak during the Rock, Roll and Rattlesnake Challenge Adventure Race, hosted by Rattlesnake Racing, May 1-3. From the left, are Jim Holt, Angie Glover, Byron Reed and Eddie Glover, who crossed the finish line along with a tornado at Krooked River Ranch at 8:07 p.m., Saturday.

## Area election returns

In the City of Haskell election, incumbent Dale Bullinger, with 120 votes, incumbent Sue Medford, with 96 votes, and W. L. Wolf with 107 votes were elected to the three at-large seats on the Council. Other candidates on the ballot were Leiza Morales, receiving 37 votes; Sam Rodriguez, 48 votes and Ronnie Frierson, 60 votes.

In the Haskell School Board election for one place in District 7, Steve McGuire was elected with 20 votes. Jim McTasney received 11 votes. Robert Tribbey received 14 votes.

In the Paint Creek School Board election for three at-large positions, Wallar Overton, with 36 votes, Brenda Reel, with 31 votes and incumbent Vern Howard, with 36 votes, were elected. D. Whitfield received 7 votes; Roland Cisneros, 10 votes; incumbent Rodney Medford, 18 votes and Randy Emert, 17 votes.


In the Rochester School Board election for two at-large seats, incumbent Chad Glover, with 71 votes, and Richard Trueblood, with 26 were elected. Greg Hearn received 23 votes; Scott Brown, 13 votes; and Conrad Saucedo, 25 votes.

In the Rule School Board election for two one-year terms, Norma Smith, with 64 votes and incumbent Rob Kittley, with 64 votes were elected. Incumbent Lana Culpepper received 51 votes. For two three-year terms, incumbents Rod Petty, with 87 votes, and Larry LeFevre, with 64 votes were elected. Patrick Pace received 31 votes.

## Brueggeman places at state UIL

More than 3,000 students from across the state participated in the University Interscholastic League academic competition held in Austin, Sat., May 3.


Haskell High School student, Sydney Brueggeman brought home an award, placing fourth in state among 2A schools in Calculator applications.




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## Obituaries

### Ola Muriel Sedberry



OLA MURIEL SEDBERRY

Graveside services for Ola Muriel (Howard) Sedberry, 76, of Haskell were held Thurs., May 1 at Willow Cemetery with Father Michael Melcher officiating. Services were under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Sedberry died Tues., April 29 in Abilene.

Born April 18, 1927 in Crowell, she was the daughter of Emmett and Ola D. White Howard. She married Morris W. Sedberry May 6, 1946 in Stamford. She attended schools at Gaunett and Haskell. She was a private nurse and a Catholic. She loved to fish, hunt, and brag about her grandchildren. She was a loving

and devoted mother and grandmother who touch many lives.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Morris W. Sedberry; her parents, Emmett and Ola D. Howard; three brothers, Oren L. Dillard and Truett; and two sisters, Mary Helen Loving and Ruby Stiewert.

Survivors include two sons, Van W. Sedberry of Rule and Danny W. Sedberry of Abilene; brother, E. A. Howard, Jr. of Post; four granddaughters, Jena, Deborah, Christy and Susan; five great grandchildren, Stormie, Ethan, Hunter, Brenden and Riley; and numerous nieces and nephews.

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### Wilma John Pruett



WILMA JOHN PRUETT

Funeral services for Wilma John Pruett, 73, of Haskell were held

Tues., May 6 at First Baptist Church in Haskell with Rev. Kevin Hall officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home.

Mrs. Pruett died Mon., May 5 at an Abilene hospital.

Born Aug. 23, 1929 in Haskell, she was the daughter of Hardin and Elizabeth Oliver Cofield. She married E. W. 'Pluto' Pruett Oct. 25, 1974 in Haskell. She worked at Cofield's department store and Lane-Apparel for many years. She was a seamstress for the public after retiring. She was a long time resident of Haskell and member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, E. W. Pruett of Haskell; two daughters,

Doris Ann Moore and husband, Dwayne, of Hutchins and Donna Sue Saffel and husband, Vance, of Rule; two stepchildren, Vernon Pruett and wife, Debra, of San Angelo and Christa Watts of Hillsboro; five grandchildren, Marilyn Ann Owen of Lorena, Doretha Sue Robinson and husband, Greg, of Stephenville, Marsha Lynn Payne and husband, Terri, of Tuttle, Okla., Jane Lea Saffel of Lubbock, Julie Ann Saffel of Austin; four step grandchildren, Dana Lynn Watts of Hillsboro, Nathan Pruett, Allyson Pruett and Neeman Pruett, all of San Angelo; and five great grandchildren, Cory Robinson, Brittany, Braden and Ashlyn Payne.

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### Ellen Marie Lundquist

Ellen Marie Lundquist, 96, of Rule, formerly of Duluth, Minnesota died Wed., April 30 in Haskell. Burial was in Duluth, Minnesota under the direction of McCauley-Robison Funeral Home of Rule.

She had lived the last seven years with her niece, Thelma and husband, Pete Kittley of Rule. She was a member of the Bethany Lutheran Church in Duluth.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Adolph and Elizabeth Lundquist; sisters and brothers-in-law, Helga and husband, Ray Fischer and Senny and husband, Roy

Fredrickson.

Survivors include her niece, Thelma Kittley and husband, Pete Kittley of Rule; Margie Erickson of Lisbon, Maine; nieces and nephews, David, Joyce, Donella, John and Kirsten; great nephews, Dave Kittley and wife, Pat and Jimmy Kittley and wife, Susan, all of Rule; great grand nephews and nieces Tre'Ann and Matt Krupnik, Dave III, Sara and J. G. Heidenheimer, and Stephen Kittley.

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## Dental sealants prevent tooth decay

Preventing tooth decay is not just a child's problem. More than half of adults in the U. S. develop cavities

after age 30, unless you "seal out" harmful bacteria.

Most tooth decay occurs on the chewing surfaces of back molars. This is because molars have irregular surfaces with pits and grooves, which tend to trap food and bacterial debris. Dental sealants are thin plastic coatings that flow into and coat these pits and grooves so that bacteria cannot multiply and cause decay. Almost any chewing surface can be sealed, even one with fillings.

Not only do dental sealants

prevent tooth decay from emerging, they also can halt existing decay in its earliest stages. Sealants disrupt the development of cavities by keeping out bacteria and the nutrients that feed them, or enhance their growth.

Applying sealants is quite simple and may be done by a dentist or by a dental hygienist. In most cases, sealants require no drilling or removal of the tooth surface.

A sealant application can last up to five years and often longer. Sealants should be checked regularly and reapplied when they appear to have worn off.

Application of sealants is a preventive measure to keep teeth healthy. It is an effective way to reduce the need for fillings and more expensive treatment that may be required to repair the damage from cavities, so sealants can also save money. Ask your dentist if sealants are an appropriate treatment for you.

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## Know your nutrition expert

by Lou Gilly

### Haskell Co. Extension Agent

Terms like dietitian and nutritionist may seem interchangeable, but they are different—and the difference, say food and nutrition experts at the American Dietetic Association, can have a big impact on your health.

While anyone, without training or experience, can call himself or herself a nutritionist, to earn the credential registered dietitian a person must have an undergraduate degree in nutrition or a related field such as food service systems management, computer science, food biochemistry, physiology, microbiology and chemistry.

"There is so much to know before you can become a registered dietitian. Consumers should be aware of the difference and to not be afraid to ask a person about their credentials and consult with the most qualified nutrition professional in the healthcare profession," says registered dietitian Claudia Gonzalez, Latino nutrition specialist and Miami-based spokesperson for the American Dietetic Association.

In addition, an RD must complete a pre-professional, pre-approved/ accredited program and pass a national exam given by the Commission on Dietetic Registration. Even that's not the end of their education. After their completed schooling, an RD must attend classes, conferences or workshops for continuing education credits every year to keep up on the latest science-based research.

"As a registered dietitian, it is very important to me to get out the most up-to-date and accurate information to my clients and to the public. Dietitians keep up with the latest science-based research to better help the public make sound nutrition decisions that can benefit their long-term health," says Gonzalez.

Registered dietitians work with clients for weight loss, dietary restrictions, eating disorders, menu planning, diabetes care, digestive health, sports nutrition and a host of other issues. Registered dietitians work in a variety of settings such as hospitals, universities, food industry, journalism and business.

If you're looking for the nutrition expert, a registered dietitian, visit the American Dietetic Association at www.eatright.org enter your zip code to locate an RD in your area.

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JASON CHANCE - KARMEN ADKINS

## Adkins, Chance to marry June 28

Karmen Adkins and Jason Chance are proud to announce their engagement. Adkins is the daughter of Mike Adkins of Rochester and Danny and Nancy Stewart of Munday. Chance is the son of Howard Chance and the late Darla Chance of Sweetwater.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Rochester High School and Texas

Tech University, and is employed with Child Protective Services in Lubbock.

The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Sweetwater High School and is employed with Morrison Supply Company in Lubbock.

The couple plans to be married June 28, and will reside in Lubbock.

### Around Town By Joyce Hawkins

Lois Redwine has returned home from an extended stay in Monett, Missouri with daughter and son-in-law, Coe and Suzy McElmurry. Suzy is executive director of the Monett Chamber of Commerce.

'Suzy's son, Chad Lundy, wife, Lisa and son, Canyon of Tulsa, Okla. came up to Monett for Easter weekend. They all attended church services on Easter Sunday.

While in Monett, Lois visited with friend, Almo McElmurry in Miller, Missouri. She also was a guest at a Kiwanis Club luncheon and attended a meeting at the Mt. Vernon Senior Center, where Congressman Roy Blunt was speaker. On Saturday, she and Suzy went to the Precious Moments Inspiration Park near Carthage, Missouri. They went to the Fountain of Angels and saw a spectacular fountain display of many shapes, sizes and colors and heard beautiful religious music. Lois got to have her picture made with one of the performing quartets.

Hyrum and Jean Richards spent last weekend in Dallas visiting son, John Richards. On Tuesday, they met Lois and son-in-law, Coe, in Oklahoma City and she returned home with them.

Jessie Scheets of Abilene and Bobby Scheets of Haskell went to Munster with a group to ride four wheelers last weekend.

Margaret Tatum and Creora was in Knox City for a baby shower for Christy Howeth on Sunday afternoon. Creora was a hostess.

Lee Gray of Abilene took his mom, Faye Gray, to Fort Stockton to the wedding of Lee's daughter, Misty.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Muse of Tulsa, Okla. visited with sister-in-law, Faye Gray. They spent Saturday night in

Haskell and were on their way to Lubbock Sunday.

Fannie Mae Barton and sister, Rosemary, went to Weatherford on Thursday where they met Kip Derrick. Rosemary returned to Fort Worth with them to catch a bus to Kentucky.

Chennel Williams of Lubbock visited Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Klose and Delma Matthews on Sunday. Gene Turnbow of Stamford visited his sister, Delma Matthews Monday morning.

Dakota Hearn and Ballee Hearn were honored with a birthday party Sunday in their home. Many friends and relatives attended.



MR. AND MRS. SAM GEDEA

## Komorowski, Gedea married in Abilene

Victoria Komorowski and Sam Gedea were married in Abilene Feb. 15 at the Hillcrest Church of Christ Chapel, with minister Jack Hardcastle officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Beth and Ted Komorowski of Abilene. She is the granddaughter of Victor and Deen Lowery, and great-granddaughter of Lennie Williams, all of Haskell.

The bridegroom is the son of Jacinto Jr., and Helen Gedea of Sweetwater.

The bride was given in marriage by her parents. She wore a gown of white bridal satin, styled with a scooped neckline bodice, buttoned up the back. The midriff to hip section was enhanced with seed pearls and sequins in the shape of flowers. The full pleated skirt fell from the waist into an eight-foot train. The fingertip veil attached to a tiara of seed pearl flowers. She carried a bouquet of mixed flowers in shades of pink and purple.

The maid of honor was Eva Castro, who wore a pastel pink satin gown, embroidered with pink flowers. The strapless bodice was bordered with rhinestones.

Flower girl was Gabriel Gedea. She wore a pastel pink dress with satin waistline and a chiffon overskirt.

Serving as Best Man was Sovandy Om. Ring bearer was Fabian Guedea.

Ushers were Ryan and Chris Komorowski, brothers of the bride.

Following the ceremony, a reception was given by the bride's parents. The table held silver serving pieces, ivy, white twinkling lights, the bride's cake, decorated with fresh flowers, and a chocolate cathedral groom's cake.

The bride attended Abilene High School and is in the nursing program at Angelo State in San Angelo.

The groom attended Cooper High School. He is stationed in Germany with the United States Army.

## Don't forget the sunscreen

Before you head outdoors this spring, don't forget to apply the sunscreen.

"If used properly, sunblock is very effective at preventing the harmful effects of the sun that may lead to both skin cancer and accelerated aging," say Dr. Sarah Weitzel, assistant professor of dermatology at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

"Ultraviolet light, made up of ultraviolet A (UVA) and ultraviolet B (UVB) wave lengths, has been shown to cause mutations that lead to skin cancer in skin cells. Such mutations and other effects can be prevented by the use of sunblock," she says.

To get the most out of sunscreen, Weitzel suggests the following:

- Apply liberally at least 30

minutes before exposure to the sun for full absorption into the skin. If applied too thin, the protective factor can be reduced dramatically.

•Re-apply after immersion in water, sweating, contact with clothes or long periods of time (3 or 4 hours).

•Use a broad-spectrum sunscreen that covers both UVA and UVB. Look for products that contain

avobenzone (Parsol 1789), zinc oxide or titanium dioxide.

•Use daily. Weitzel tells her patients if they are going to be out in the sun for 15 minutes or less, use a daily broad-spectrum sunscreen with a sun-protection factor (SPF) of 15. If the person will be out longer, a broad-spectrum sunscreen with an SPF of 30 is recommended.

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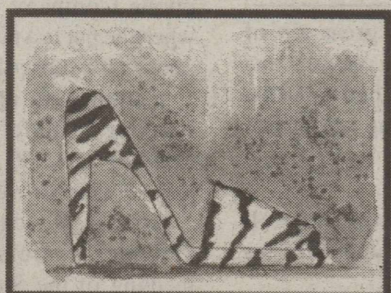
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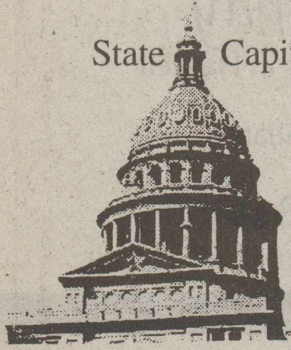
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# OPINION

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## HIGHLIGHTS

By Mike Cox

### School finance plan heads to special session

AUSTIN—The final bell for the 78th Legislature will ring when it concludes business on June 2, but Texas lawmakers won't have to wait two years before they get a chance to vote on another bill.

It may not be until late this year, or early in 2004, but lawmakers will be back in Austin for a special session to ponder school financing.

"Following the completion of this session," Gov. Rick Perry said in a statement last week, "Lt. Gov. (David) Dewhurst, Speaker (Tom) Craddick, and I will turn our undivided attention to the issue of school-finance reform."

Perry said that as soon as "leadership has built consensus on a plan of action, I will call a special session...to immediately enact that plan."

The first step in that direction came with the speaker naming a 21-member House committee to come up with a financing plan for consideration in the special session. Four ex-officio members of the committee were to be selected by Perry.

Better known as the Robin Hood plan, Texas' school financing system is more complicated than second year algebra, a complex mixture of state and local taxes.

Apportionment of that money is based on the wealth (or, in many cases, lack of wealth) of a particular school district.

The more well-to-do districts, many of which have been forced to cut their budgets while kicking in funding for the less well-off districts, don't like the current system.

The only thing that could head off

a special session would be action this session. That's possible, but at this point not very likely.

The last special session was more than a decade ago in December 1992. The topic? School finance.

### Red-light runners get green light...

The House last week killed a bill that would have given cities the authority to photograph red-light runners and fine the registered owners of the vehicles.

House Bill 901, co-authored by Rep. Phil King, R-Weatherford, co-author of House Bill 901, said the defeated measure would have had an impact on the 23,000 injuries and deaths red-light runners cause each year in Texas.

The bill would have allowed cities to impose a \$75 fine for each violator. The money collected would have gone to fund hospital trauma centers and the Texas Mobility Fund.

Arguments against the bill ranged from it fostering invasion of privacy to violating due process to raising revenue in the name of safety.

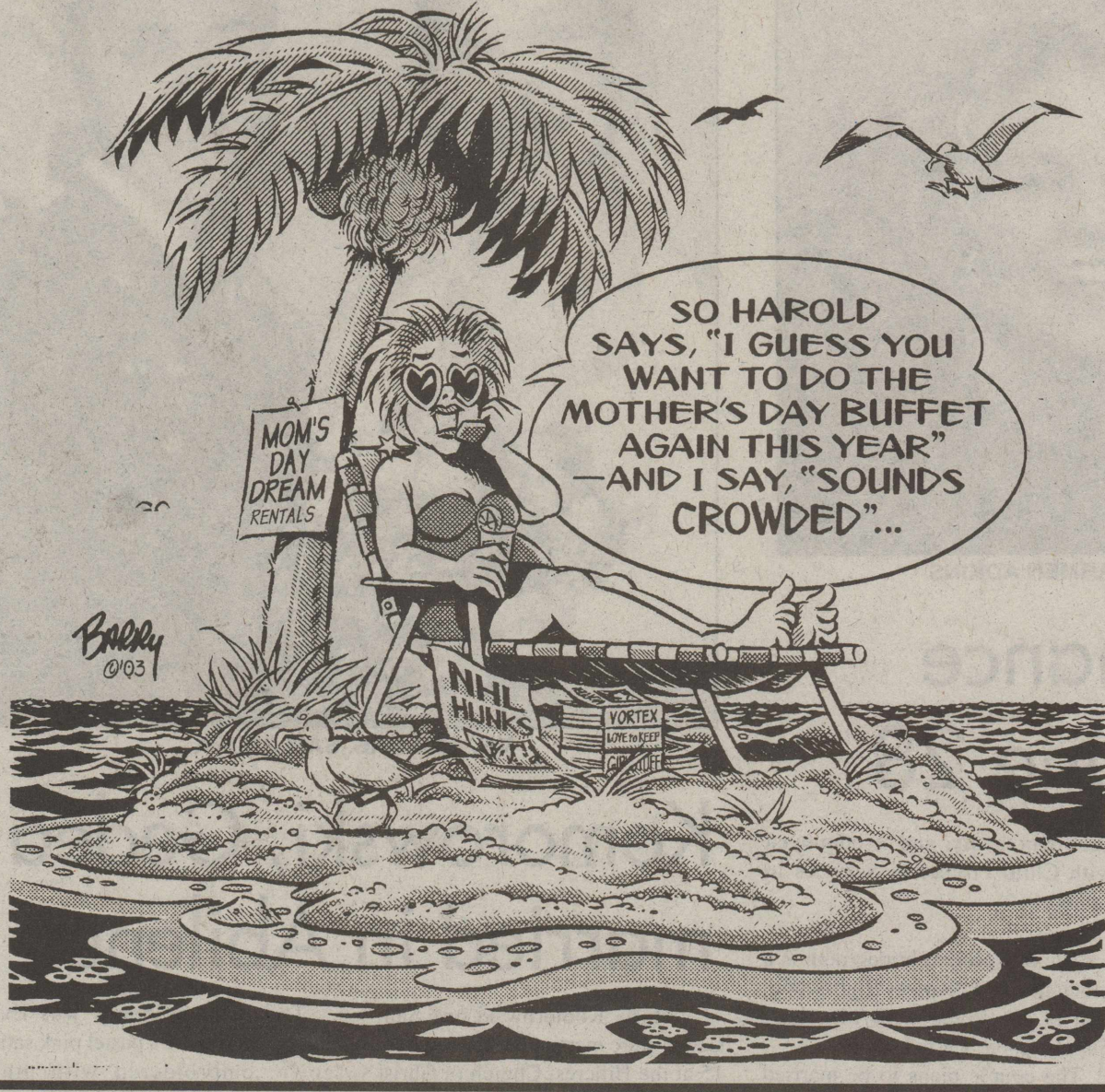
What did the bill in was an amendment by Rep. Gary Elkins, R-Houston, that would have made the bill apply only to communities with fewer than 50 residents.

### You've probably noticed, but...

Gasoline prices are down. After hitting an average national high of \$1.72 a gallon for regular, the national average is now down to \$1.57 per gallon.

In Texas, the average is \$1.45 though some places are selling gasoline for more than a dime a gallon less than that.

The averages are from the Energy Information Administration, an arm of the U.S. Department of Energy.



## From The Inside Out

By Mary Kaigler

"The sweetest sounds to mortals given are heard in mother, home and heaven." Wm. Goldsmith Brown

We universally understand that certain words define a mother's role: protect, nurture, love, worry, teach, guide. 'Mother' can be either a verb or noun.

Our relationship with our mother is built upon the most complex chemistry; fierce and forever. You may not have a good relationship with your mother, but you can't avoid having any kind of relationship at all, in part because you are eternally bound by the steel cords of shared memories. Even death cannot remove a mother's influence from your life.

Our mothers are our first teachers and the wisest of mothers become in turn, their child's student, learning and growing from their wisdom. The golden thread sewn into every good mother-child relationship can be simply expressed in two words, 'unconditional love.'

Because of my own mother and daughter, whom I believe were both given to me in love for a special reason, Mother's Day is always a sweet time for me to reflect on the awesomeness of our creation as living souls so uniquely equipped to care for and love one another.

Recently reading the following 'parable' brought a lump in my throat, as I saw my mother, myself and my daughter in its message.

### A Living Presence

A young mother set her foot on

the path of life. "Is the way long?" she asked. And the guide answered, "Yes, and the way is hard. And you will be old before you reach the end of it. But the end will be better than the beginning."

But the young woman was happy and she could not believe that anything could be better than these days. So she played with her children, and gathered flowers for them along the way. And the sun shone on them and life was good, and the young mother cried, "Nothing can be lovelier than this."

Then came the night and storm; the path was dark and the children shook with fear and cold. But the mother drew close to them with her mantle, and the children said, "We are not afraid, Mother, for you are near; no harm can come to us." And the mother said, "This is better than the brightness of day, for I have taught my children courage."

And the morning came and there was a hill ahead; the children climbed and became weary. But at last she said to the children, "A little patience and we will be there." So the children climbed and when they reached the top they said, "We could not have done this without you, Mother."

And that night the mother looked up at the stars and said, "This is a better day than the last, for my children have learned fortitude in the face of hardship. Yesterday I gave them courage; today I gave them strength."

And the next day came strange clouds which darkened the earth; clouds of war and hate and evil, and the children groped and stumbled. The mother said, "Look up; lift your eyes to the light." And the children looked and saw above the clouds the everlasting light, and it guided them and brought them beyond the darkness. And that night the mother said, "This is the best day of all, for I have shown my children God."

And the days went on and the weeks and the months and years, and the mother grew aged, and she was little and bent. But the children were tall and strong and walked with courage. And when the way was hard, they lifted her over the rough places. At last they came to a hill, and beyond the hill they could see a shining road and the golden gates, and they flung wide.

And the mother said, "I have reached the end of my journey, and now I know the end is better than the beginning, for my children can walk alone, and their children after them."

And the children said, "You will always walk with us, Mother!" They stood and watched her walk through the golden gate, then the gates closed after her. And they said, "We cannot now see our mother but she is with us still. She is a living presence."

Author unknown  
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Happy Mother's Day and memories to all mothers and to the children who rise up to call them blessed.

## Know the warning signs of heart attack

When a heart attack strikes, the window for recovery and survival becomes narrower with every minute that passes, says Dr. Ellen Keeley of UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

"A delay in seeking medical treatment after the onset of symptoms greatly increases a patient's risk of

developing complications and death and may decrease the effectiveness of emergency angioplasty," says Keeley, assistant professor of internal medicine.

Angioplasty—inserting a balloon into the blocked artery and inflating it to clear blockage—has been shown to be the most effective treatment for acute heart attacks. The sooner this procedure is performed, the greater the chance for a patient's full recovery.

"It is crucial that patients know how to recognize the signs of heart attack and take them seriously," says Keeley. "We, as doctors, have an unparalleled tool for treatment, but we have to count on the patients to put time on our side."

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## Haskell CISD Comments

by Bryan McCulloch  
Haskell High School Principal

This week is teacher appreciation week across the state of Texas. Most of you may not be aware of this so I will try and remind our community of the great job our teachers do for our students here at Haskell CISD.

First, and foremost, the teachers in Haskell have the dedication to serve. Teachers serve the students in anyway possible to achieve results which will enable each student to succeed in whatever life endeavor that he or she may want to choose: This includes educating each student from Pre-Kindergarten to twelfth grade. This is a monumental task in which each teacher has a role in the students' responsibilities to succeed and receive the very best education possible. Each teacher in Haskell CISD takes this challenge with ease and readily accepts all students' needs.

Secondly the school is in the "Student Business." Each teacher has to keep this in mind in his or her daily jobs because without the

students, we as teachers and staff members, would not be here. We have a job to do in the business of educating each student who enters the doors. The student will bring certain baggage to the classroom which teachers will sort through and find a way to educate the students. Teachers do this without complaining because they love what they do.

And last of all the teachers at Haskell CISD have a passion to teach. This is displayed by the hours they spend on the job, at countless

activities, and late nights spent grading papers or worrying over whether a certain student had something to eat at supper. Yes, our teachers should be commended for a job well done because they are dedicated, loving, and passionate about the students and the education that those students receive.

If you see your son or daughter's teacher this week, take a few moments and thank them for the outstanding job that they do here in Haskell educating students to meet the future.

I want to thank the Haskell community for their support of the baseball team.  
Coach Kent Colley

## Letters to the Editor

Dear editor:

The Haskell Indian baseball team ended their season on Saturday, losing to Olney in the Bi-District round, 5 to 0.

The Indians finished their season 9-9 overall and 8-4 in District. I am hoping this will be the start of many good seasons of baseball here in Haskell.

The seniors did a great job of leading the team to the playoffs this year. I am also very excited about the younger players coming up through the system.

## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago  
May 13, 1993

A new flag flies from the flagpole at Haskell High School, thanks to the widow of a former student, Geraldine E. Cook of Granbury, who was married to the late Col. O'Dale Cook, presented the flag to the Students Council. The flag was raised by members of the National Honor Society.

Frances Fischer, Dolores Medford and Lorene Harris of the Paint Creek Homemakers' Club embarked on a tour of the Hill Country.

Erick Richards was presented the W. E. McCune Student award during the Agricultural Systems Management Student Club spring banquet at Texas A&M University.

20 Years Ago  
May 12, 1983

Haskell High School track was represented in Austin at the State Track Meet by Todd Harris in the pole vault. Harris finished second in the Regional Track Meet in Lubbock to earn a berth to the State Meet.

Jimmy and Patrick Burson, Haskell, were accepted as junior members of the American Hereford Association according to the announcement by H. H. Dickenson, Executive Vice President of the AHA.

Members of the Haskell Rotary Club had a special program when Ferrell Coston and Carl Anderson spoke to members about memories of Rotary membership. Both are charter members of the Haskell club which was organized in May 1957.

30 Years Ago  
May 10, 1973

Four high school boys represented Haskell at the 1973 session of Texas American Legion Boys State. Named to participate in this annual American Legion workshop in the organization and operation of state and local governments are Robert Colbert, James McCoy, Keith Hannsz and Clint Melton.

The Spanish II class of Haskell High School made a trip to Monterrey, Mexico. The Spanish class expressed thanks to the teachers and sponsors, Mr. and Mrs. Max Stapleton, Jack Pippin and Mrs. H. L. Williams, for making the trip possible.

Members of the Rule State Championship Track Team were Larry Barbee, Art Briles, Andrew Bagley, Lynn Dudensing, Jesse Macias, Hal Hunt, Rob Kittley and Abe Gonzales. This was the second state championship title in three years.

40 Years Ago  
May 9, 1963

Charlotte Hise, a student at Haskell High School, accomplished what few freshmen have ever done—placed second in finals competition at the state interscholastic meet in Austin in extemporaneous speaking event.

Dr. B. L. Langston, Haskell County optometrist, announced the removal of his office to new optometric clinic facilities here.

50 Years Ago  
May 14, 1953

Valedictorian of the 1953 class of Haskell High School is Jessie Kregger, with an average scholastic grade of 95.6 during four years in high school.

Rosalie McCall is salutatorian of the 1953 class with a scholastic average of 94.4 during her high school career.

Joan Ruth Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Smith of Haskell, graduated from St. Joseph School of Nursing in Fort Worth.

Jimmy Reeves, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Reeves of Weinert, won the class B mile run in the school boy State Meet at Austin.

100 Years Ago  
May 16, 1903

J. F. Posey of the Haskell Telephone Company was in Munday, where he put in a number of new telephones for subscribers there.

Cotton went up at a lively rate reaching 11:30 for middling spot in New York, 11:06 in New Orleans, and 10:75 in Galveston.

Mrs. H. R. Jones returned from Abilene, where she attended the meeting of the State Federation of Women's Clubs.

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**FOOD SERVICE TRAINING**— Four Knox County eating establishment owners, food service managers and caterers recently participated in the 2-day food protection management training held in Haskell County by the Texas Department of Health. Receiving TDH certificates as Certified Food Managers were, l-r, Billy Young, Jane Gideon and Andrew Griffith. Not pictured is Sindy Oustad.

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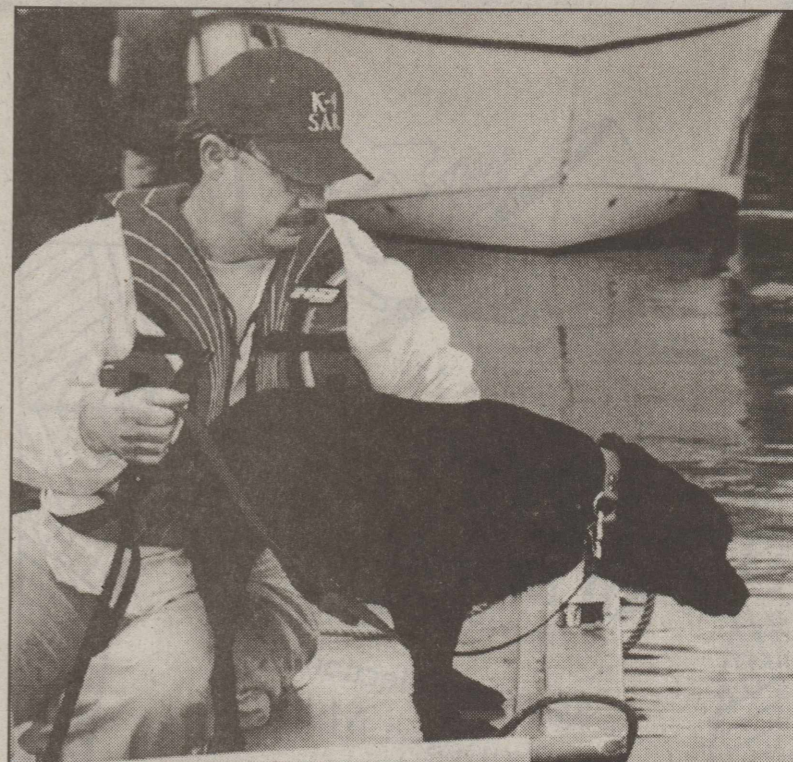


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**SEARCH AND RESCUE**—Joe Yates of Haskell and his black lab, Dixie, study the situation during a water search training seminar on Lake Ponchartrain in Louisiana, April 6-11.

**Yates and Dixie attend water search training**

Joe Yates, of Haskell and his black labrador "Dixie" were among approximately 75 dog teams from across the nation participating in a four-day water search training seminar, April 6-11. Sponsored by Louisiana Search and Rescue Dog Team, it was held in Fontainebleau State Park at Mandeville, Louisiana,

on the north shore of Lake Ponchartrain.

Training areas offered in the session included air scenting, tracking-trailing, cadaver location and water search.

Instructor for the water search course was Marion Hardy from Mid-Atlantic Search and Rescue (SAR) in Maryland. Involved with canine search and rescue for over 25 years, she is considered one of the leading experts in water search in the country. Early work done by her proved the effectiveness of using dogs to locate scent under water, sometimes after long periods of time, and at great depths.

The water training included locating human scent under water from both shore and boats, using several scent sources, including scuba divers.

Joe and Dixie had also intended to complete their National Association for Search and Rescue - Canine SAR Tech III test. However, that portion of the test was cancelled, due to a storm that included a tornado and 7 1/2 inches of rain that fell early in the week, leaving the intended search area filled with alligators and cotton mouths.

Through the years of working with dogs, Yates and his trained canines have assisted in numerous searches by law enforcement departments and agencies in the area.

**Texas Tech alumni meet**

The Rolling Plains Chapter of the Texas Tech Alumni Association met April 28 at the Haskell Country Club for their annual meeting. The golfers were the first to arrive as they participated in a scramble with several members of the Texas Tech Athletic Department. About 30 golfers enjoyed an afternoon of golf, food and fellowship. Two teams shot 60 for the round.

The day concluded with a meal, guest speakers from the Texas Tech Alumni Association and Athletic Department and an auction of Red Raider memorabilia. Two awards were made to two deserving high school seniors. Applications were accepted from students in Haskell, Knox, Jones, Stonewall and Throckmorton counties.

Recipients were Leslie Grand of Haskell and Audrey Nacol of Throckmorton. Grand, the daughter of Steve and Pat Grand, is a senior at Haskell High School. Nacol, a Throckmorton High School senior, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Buck.

The auction concluded the evening generating over \$1,300.00 to add to the Chapter's award endowment which has grown to over \$13,000.00 over the years.

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**FOOD SERVICE TRAINING**—Twenty-six Haskell County eating establishment owners, food service managers and caterers recently participated in an extensive 2-day food protection management training, and completed a printed exam developed by the Texas Department of Health to achieve the status of Certified Food Manager. Pictured, back row standing, l-r, Teresa Henthorne, Joyce Turner, Denia Cunningham, Becky Wilson, Claude Payne, Eddie Klose, Kyle White, Mark Easterling, Cathey Casey. Front row, standing, Edgwyna Flores, Laura Thomas, Wanda Gibbs, Jennabeth Kimbrough, Kathryn Schonestedt, Jacklyn Wheatley, Sally Koch, Scott Johnson, Carla Key. Seated, Janet Stephens, Lavonta Ward, Amanda Anderson, Mary Rodriguez, Sam Rodriguez. Kneeling, Carla Hannsz, Ella Daye Whorton and Arturo Anchondo.

### Girls should avoid smoking

Teenagers are always determined to go their own way, especially when it comes to showing their independence. Usually that is no reason for concern. But sometimes it can have dangerous consequences—like when teenage girls smoke because it's "cool."

Medical researchers in Canada have recently found that starting to smoke as a teen almost doubles the risk of breast cancer later in life. Breast cancer is the most common cancer in women and is overall the second-deadliest form of cancer. Statistics for just one recent year showed that more than 13,000 women in Texas were diagnosed with breast cancer, and about 2,600 died that year because of the disease.

Breast cancer is the cause of death for many women as it is. Teenage girls should avoid smoking, which does nothing but increase the risk of this disease.

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### Writing can ease stress

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Dr. Ann Matt Maddrey, assistant professor of psychiatry at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, says keeping a daily journal is a great way to relieve stress for both healthy persons and those with chronic illnesses or medical conditions.

Moreover, says Maddrey, you should not only record your daily activities but also your feelings, problems, how you're coping and what makes you happy. And while you're at it, she says, congratulate yourself—in writing—on successes.

Maddrey, who leads a

"journaling" group of patients with a variety of diseases, explains that those with chronic illnesses bear an especially heavy burden.

"Writing about all aspects of an illness can help," she says. "And I believe that it's particularly suited to patients suffering from autoimmune disorders, such as severe arthritis or lupus that can be exacerbated by stress."

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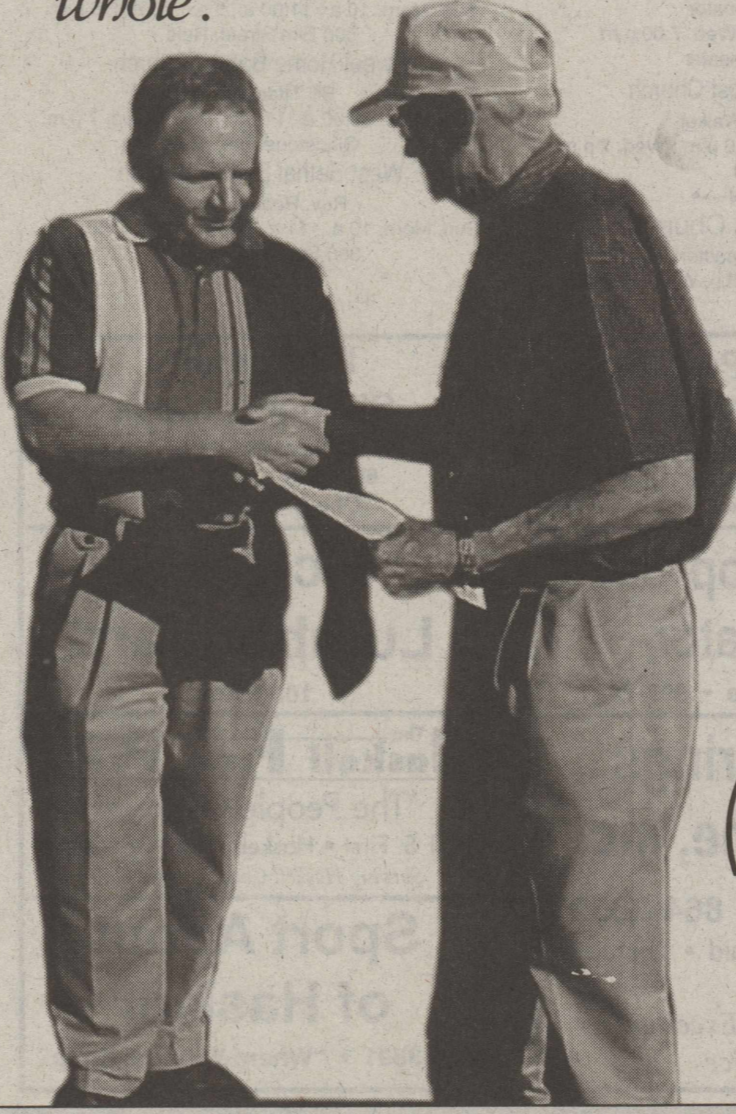


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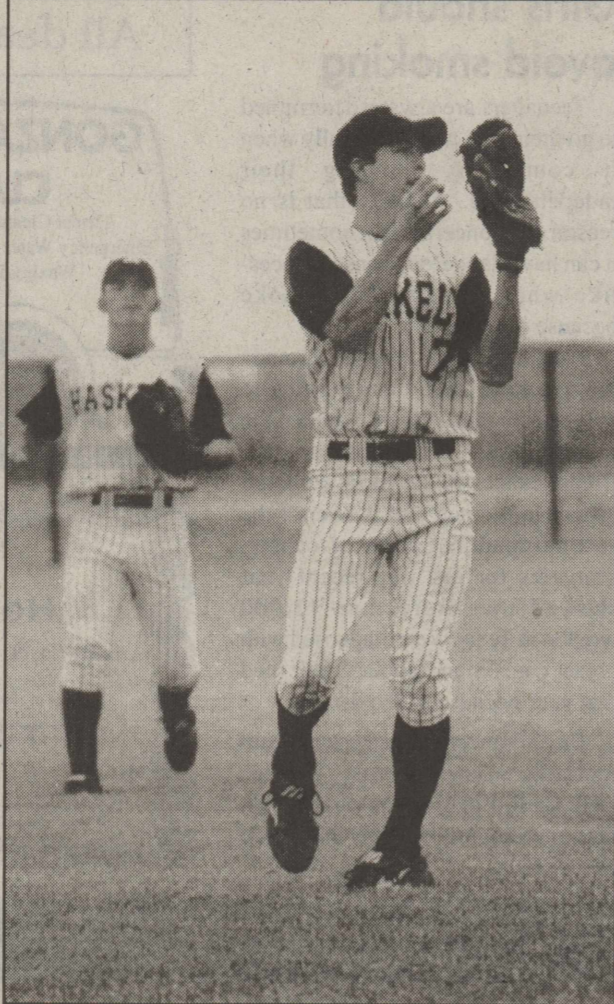


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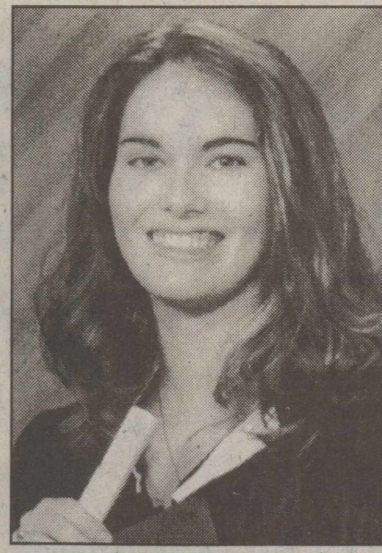
**ON THE MOUND**—Eddie Loyd sets up to pitch in the Haskell Indians' game with Olney, Sat., May 3.



**COVERING THIRD**—Brad Blanks plays on base in the Haskell team's game with Olney.



**KELI JO McCARTY**



**CHRISTI SORRELLS**

### Students visit Rotary Club

Keli Jo McCarty is the daughter of Vickie McCarty of Haskell. She is a member of the Church of Christ. In school she is active with the War Whoop, UIL events, National Honor Society and as a class officer. Special recognitions she has received include the National Honor Roll, named an All-American Scholar, in Who's Who, and a UIL Region Qualifier.

She likes working at Sonic, spending time with friends, scrapbooking and photography. After finishing high school, she plans to attend Vogue Beauty College in Mishawaka, Indiana, to study cosmetology. \*\*\* Christi Sorrells is the daughter of Paul and Tammy Sorrells of Haskell. Her church affiliation is Baptist. In school she is active in one act plays, National Honor Society, Future Farmers of America, and is a class officer. Special awards she has received include being voted Most Dependable, named to Who's Who, National Honor Roll, and UIL Regional Qualifier.

## Haskell School Menu

May 12-May 16  
Breakfast

Juice and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.  
**Monday:** Breakfast bagel  
**Tuesday:** Manager's choice  
**Wednesday:** Cereal, toast  
**Thursday:** Peanut butter, crackers  
**Friday:** Powdered donut

Lunch

Milk and iced tea are served daily at the Secondary campus. Milk is served daily at the Elementary School. Secondary campus: Choice of entree or baked potato with cheese and ham.  
**Monday:** Steak fingers/gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot roll, applesauce  
**Tuesday:** Pizza, garden salad, corn, baby carrots/ranch dressing, brownie  
**Wednesday:** Sliced turkey/gravy, broccoli with cheese, mashed potatoes, breadstick, cherry gelatin  
**Thursday:** Scroodles (fish)/tartar sauce, coleslaw, pork and beans, hush puppies, sliced peaches  
**Friday:** Barbeque on a bun, onion/tomato slices, pickle spears, tater tots, ice cream

## ECC Menu and Calendar

Mon., May 12

Lunch—Mesquite broiled chicken, Texas potatoes, chili pinto beans, carrot raisin salad, onion slices, yeast rolls, peach cobbler, milk, tea, or coffee

Wed., May 14

11:00 a.m. Outreach Health Services blood pressure check  
Lunch—Chicken spaghetti, English peas, fresh garden salad, corn casserole, yeast rolls, brownies/fruited jello, milk, tea, or coffee

Fri., May 16

Lunch—Beef lasagna, beets, green beans/bacon, sliced onions/tomatoes, garlic bread, Coke cake, milk, tea, or coffee  
Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.

## This Week's Devotional Message:



### FAITH HELPS YOU APPRECIATE YOUR MOTHER'S LOVE

Your mother was there when you needed her care From the very first day you were born; She would bandage your knee and to every degree She would stop you from feeling forlorn. Now she kissed you goodnight and instructed you right, At a time when you didn't think twice About making her wait till you wandered in late; For you often ignored her advice. Then at last you were grown and

went out on your own, Even though she would miss you so much; But although it was rough, if you loved her enough Then you showed it by keeping in touch. So by word and by deed, as you learned by your creed From the day that your training began, If you mother's around, let your feelings abound With your love and your help, while you can. —Gloria Nowak

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Art Flores, Interim pastor  
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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.  
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- 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**  
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- 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**  
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- First Baptist Church**  
Kevin Hall, pastor  
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- PAINT CREEK—
- Paint Creek Baptist Church**  
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- WEINERT—
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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**  
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Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
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- O'BRIEN—
- O'Brien Baptist Church**  
Kyle Gullede, pastor  
Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 5 p., 6 p., Wed. 6 p.m.  
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- 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.  
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- SAGERTON—
- Sagerton Methodist Church**  
Melissa Bemis, pastor  
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.  
Sagerton
- 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
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John Greeson, minister  
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
811 Union, Rule
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Tommy Wilson, pastor  
Sun. Morn. Worship 10 a.m.  
1000 Union Ave., Rule
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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.  
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### NOTICE TO THE CITIZENS OF WEINERT

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) has notified the Haskell County Water District #1 water system that the drinking water being supplied to customers had exceeded the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for Nitrate. The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has established the MCL for Nitrate at 10 mg/L, and has determined that it is a health concern at levels above the MCL. Analysis of drinking water in your community for Nitrate indicates a level of 15.07 mg/L.

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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. 19c

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Haskell County Commissioners' Court will accept sealed bids until 10:00 a.m. on May 27, 2003, at the office of County Judge in the Haskell County Courthouse, Haskell, Texas. This equipment will be sold by Precinct #4, Bobby Smith, Commissioner.

1971 Dodge D600 truck with V8 engine; 1974 International F1800 truck with tandem axle, V8 engine; 1972 Ford F600 truck with dump bed, single axle; 1966 Chevrolet truck; 1971 Ford pickup F100 short bed; 1964 Ford 1/2 ton pickup; 1983 Ford F250, 460 engine; Lufkin 12 ft. dump trailer; Trojan wheel loader.

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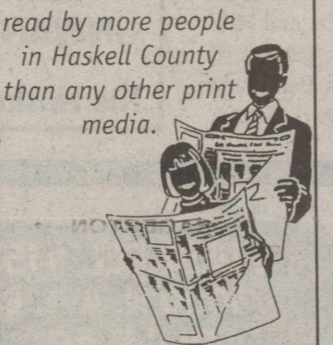
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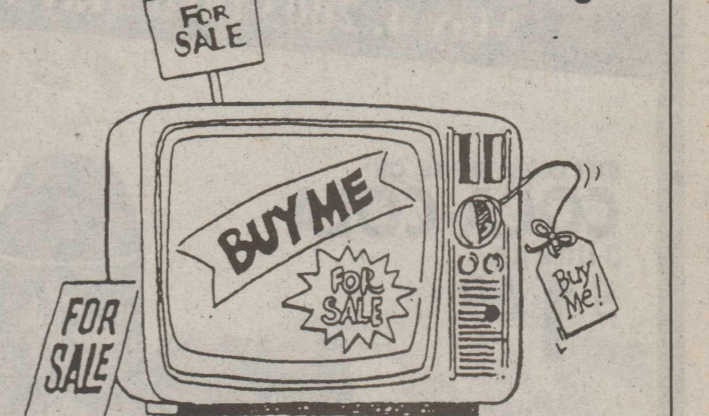
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PLANTING HISTORICAL TREES—Haskell Elementary students, front, l-r, Nathan Meredith, Angelica Gonzalez and Codi Foster, stand with special guests, back row, County Judge David Davis, Dr. Joe and Sister Thigpen, Gail and Donal Barnes, during a dedication ceremony at the planting of two oak tree saplings taken from the mighty oak tree that belonged to Stephen F. Austin.

## Oak tree dedicated at Elementary School

Haskell students in the fourth, fifth and sixth grades recently participated in a Stephen F. Austin Tree Dedication at the elementary school. Mrs. Gail Barnes, a representative of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, presided at the dedication ceremony.

Barnes explained to the students that the two oak trees planted near the Haskell Daycare building, came from saplings from a huge oak tree that grows in the yard of the home where Stephen F. Austin, the father of Texas, lived in the 1800's. She also presented a poster-size photograph of Austin to be displayed

in the elementary school.

The trees came to Haskell Elementary as a project of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas. They had a vision that saplings from the mighty oak that had belonged to Stephen F. Austin, could be carried to each of the 254 counties in Texas. Through the work and dedication of members such as Gail Barnes, the project is being accomplished.

She contacted Haskell County Judge David Davis about the trees, and he, along with Haskell Elementary Principal, Jim Lisle, helped with the trees being transplanted to Haskell.

The trees were donated to Haskell by Mr. and Mrs. Bill Price of Houston, on whose land the saplings were first planted.

The dedication ceremony began with the pledge of allegiance to the Texas flag. Elementary students in the fourth and fifth grades sang "Texas Our Texas," and the sixth grade band, under direction of Clark Richardson, played "Ceremonial March."

Distinguished guests included Gail and Donal Barnes, Dr. and Mrs. Joe Thigpen of Haskell, parents of Texas' First Lady Anita Perry and Haskell County Judge, David Davis.

## Journalism students honored

Several Haskell High School journalism students were presented certificates for their work by the Abilene Reporter-News, Tues., April 29, at the newspaper's annual Big Country high school journalism competition award ceremony. The ceremony took place at the National Center for Children's Illustrated Literature in Abilene.

Haskell competed with Winters, Wylie and Abilene Christian high schools in the division for 1A through 3A campuses.

Haskell winners and their subjects were:

In News Writing, Vanessa Gomez placed first, for "Baby, think it over."

In Entertainment Writing, Debbi Long placed third for "Students that rock."

In News Photography, Wade Cothron placed second for "Elementary science lab director."

In Sports Photography, Ross Hairgrove won first for "Eddie Loyd pauses."

In Page Design, Debbi Long won first for Oct. 18, 2002, front page. Drew Garison won third place for Nov. 22, 2002, front page.

In Feature Writing, Katie McKnight won first place for "Former Indian comes home."

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