Basketball games

District 5 & 6 Playoff Games Hamlin vs Smyer Tues., Feb. 22, 6:30 p.m. Scurry Co. Coliseum, Snyder Haskell vs Sundown Tues., Feb. 22, 8 p.m. Scurry Co. Coliseum, Snyder Softball games

V Maidens vs Seymour Fri., Feb. 18, 6 p.m. at Haskell V Maidens vs Seymour Tues., Feb. 22, 6 p.m.

at Seymour

Baseball games

V Indians vs Merkel Thurs., Feb. 17, 4 p.m. at Merkel (Scrimmage) V Indians vs Albany Mon., Feb. 21, 4 p.m. at Albany

Calendar

Black history program

A Black history program will be presented Sat., Feb. 26 at 6:30 p.m. and Sun., Feb. 7 at 3 p.m. at the Greater Independent Baptist Church, 301 N. Third Street, Haskell. The program theme, One Person Can Make A Difference, will be presented by Rev. T. L. Griffin, pastor. Everyone is invited to attend.

ECC dinner

A benefit dinner to raise funds for the Haskell Experienced Citizens Center will be held Sun., Feb. 20 from noon to 2 p.m. at the Experienced Citizens Center, 1404 S. First in Haskell. The menu of chicken and dressing, giblet gravy, green beans, cranberries, candied yams, yeast rolls, and German chocolate cake will cost \$7.50 for adults and \$4 for children age 9 through high school. Children under 9 will eat free. Takeouts will be available by calling 864-3875.

Fajita dinner

The Calvary Baptist Church, 600 S. 7th St., in Haskell will host a fund-raiser fajita dinner Sun., Feb. 22 beginning at 11:30 a.m. Carryouts will be available. Plates are \$6 each.

Booster club to meet

The Haskell Athletic Booster Club will hold a parent meeting Thurs., Feb. 17 at 6 p.m. in the Indian Field House to plan upcoming events.

Fish fry

The Trinity Lutheran Church Youth Group will hold a fish fry Sun., Feb. 27 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the church located on East Highway 380 in Haskell. Fried fish, coleslaw, beans, french fries, dessert and drink will be served at a cost of \$6.

AARP course

An AARP safe driving course will be held Feb. 21-22 from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Experienced Citizens Center in Haskell. The refresher course is designed to help drivers 50 years and older to improve driving skills, prevent crashes and driving citations. For information call 325-762-3582.

Photography exhibit

Haskell County 4-H photography project participants will present a public exhibition Mon., Feb. 21 beginning at 5 p.m. at the Haskell National Bank Community Room followed by an awards ceremony at 6 p.m. The Haskell Sr. 4-H Club will host the event.

Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., Feb. 19 from 10 a.m. til 11:30 a.m. at 206 S. 2nd (building east of Civic Center) in Haskell.

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Good luck Indians in the playoffs

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REIGNING ROYALTY-Hilee Mulligan, daughter of Lynn and David Dodson of Haskell and David Mulligan of Houston, was crowned Miss Wichita Falls 2005, Jan. 8, earning her a trip to Fort Worth to represent Wichita Falls in the Miss Texas Scholarship Pageant to

be held July 2-9. The 2000 graduate of Haskell High School was honored at a reception after the pageant and was also named the interview preliminary winner. A graduate of Texas Tech University, Mulligan is a student at the Dallas Court Reporting Institute.

Filing open for county schools, city elections

The filing period for candidates on the City of Haskell and Haskell CISD May 7 General Election ballots opened Mon., Feb. 7 and will extend through Mon., Mar. 7.

Three seats for alderman now held by W. L. Wolf, Dale Bullinger and Sue Medford are open in the City of Haskell election.

Two places open on the Haskell CISD Board are the single member District 2 place, held by Donnie Rieger, and single member District 3 place, held by Mynea Short.

Paint Creek ISD is now accepting applications for places on the ballot for the 2005 School Board election to be held on May 7.

The three places to be filled are place 1, 2 and 4, currently held by Gina Buerger, Brenda Reel and Randy Emert.

Applications can be picked up at the Paint Creek ISD business office

In the Rule ISD, the two places open for election on the school board are terms now held by Robert Ace Turner and Lynn Dale Dudensing. Both have refiled for the positions.

Three seats open for election on the Rule City Council are those now held by Cathey Casey, Bill Bowles and Jackie Whorton.

The City of Weinert has no places open for election.

The City of Rochester has three seats open for City Council, now held by Joyce Easterling, Betty White and Bobby O'Neal. Also open for election is the office of Mayor, now held by Marvin Stegemoller. All of these incumbents have refiled for election. Applications for filing may be obtained at the Rochester City Hall.

Mar. 7 is the deadline for filing in all of these places on the May 7 General Election ballot.

Rule Chamber

The annual Rule Chamber of Commerce banquet will be held at 7:00 p.m., Tues., Mar. 1, at the Rule Schools cafeteria.

The meal will be prepared by the parents of the Junior class. Tickets are on sale for \$8.00

Sales tax reported

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn has reported that state sales tax collections rose for the 17th consecutive month in January. The state collected \$1.39 billion in sales tax revenue, up 6.1 percent compared to January 2004.

Also, Strayhorn returned \$502.8 million in local sales tax to Texas cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts, up 5.2 percent compared to sales tax distributions to local governments in February 2004.

January state sales tax collections and February's local sales tax allocations primarily represent sales made in December.

Haskell County had a 1.31 percent increase for February, 2005 of \$38,905.69 in comparison to \$38,401.50 for February, 2004. 2005 payments to date of \$60,603.40 reflect a 3.04 percent decrease over 2004 payments to date of \$62,509.21.

The City of Haskell had a 1.86 percent increase for February, 2005 of \$35,578.64 in comparison to \$34,925.72 for February, 2004. 2005 payments to date of \$56,025.85

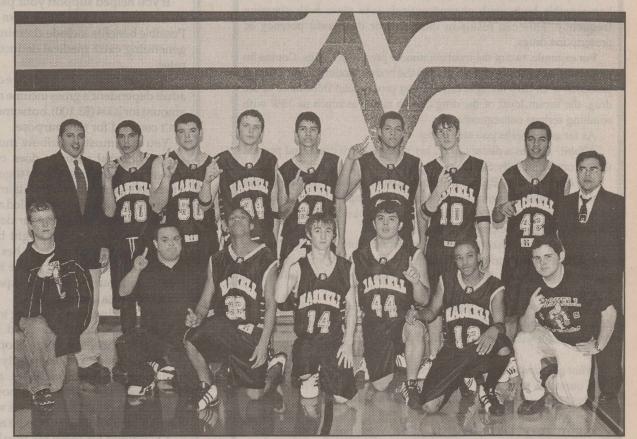
reflect a 2.69 percent decrease over 2004 payments to date of \$57,577.98.

The City of O'Brien had a 4.28 percent decrease for February, 2005 of \$100.52 in comparison to \$105.02 for February, 2004. 2005 payments to date of \$127.53 reflect a 66.95 percent decrease over 2004 payments to date of \$385.96.

The City of Rochester had a 4.50 percent decrease for February, 2005 of \$868.14 in comparison to \$909.05 for February, 2004. 2005 payments to date of \$1,202.64 reflect a 5.56 percent decrease over 2004 payments to date of \$1,273.51.

The City of Rule had a 3.69 percent decrease for February, 2005 of \$2,007.01 in comparison to \$2,084.10 for February, 2004. 2005 payments to date of \$2,855.75 reflect a 0.43 percent increase over 2004 payments to date of \$2,843.32.

The City of Weinert had a 6.94 percent decrease for February, 2005 of \$351.38 in comparison to \$377.61 for February, 2004. 2005 payments to date of \$391.63 reflect a 8.59 percent decrease over 2004 payments to date of \$428.44.



DISTRICT CHAMPS-Proud to be 'Number One' after clinching the District playoffs, the Haskell Indian team and coaches are: standing, I-r, Coach Lolo Martinez, Miquel Chavez, Gary Frierson, Nate Webb, Augustine Lara, D. J. McCulloch, Kendall Mitchell, L. J. McCulloch and Coach Toby Villa. Kneeling, I-r, Jared Webb, Joseph Rodriquez, Kevin Kilgore, Cory Foster, Ramon Cuellar, Jakaan Hodge, Ryan

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You possible should be concerned because adverse interactions of homeopathic herbs with pharmaceuticals take place with alarming frequency. This can result in increased or decreased potency of prescription drugs.

For example, two of the most commonly prescribed drugs, Coumadin and Lanoxin are easily displaced from the body's binding sites by herbal products. If an herb disrupts this binding process and frees more of the drug, the serum level of the drug can be raised as much as 33% with resulting serious consequences.

As far as the herbs you are taking:

Alfalfa: Acts as a dietary fiber, but it may absorb drugs and prevent them from being fully effective.

Ma Huang: AKA Ephedra, it has stimulant effects on the nervous system and heart. It may raise blood pressures dangerously high causing such adverse events as headaches and even strokes. Several states are

pushing for a ban. Be careful with this one. St. John's Wort: Used for mild to moderate depression. Avoid taking in conjunction with tricyclic antidepressants such as imipramine and amitriptyline, and MAO inhibitors such as phenelzine and

tranylcypromine. The bottom line is, if you're taking any herbal remedies and are concerned about possible interactions with your regular prescription drugs, consult with your physician.

What questions regarding home care do you have for the nurse? Send your questions to Haskell Home Health Agency, 417 S. First, Haskell, TX 79521 or call 940-864-5074 or 1-877-864-5074.

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Calendar

AARP course

An AARP safe driving course will be held Feb. 23-24 from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Faith Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall in Sagerton. The refresher course is designed to help drivers 50 years and older to improve driving skills, prevent crashes and driving citations. For information call 940-997-2103 or 997-2688.

Immunizations

The Texas Dept. of Health in Stamford will hold an immunization clinic Thurs., Feb. 24 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.

Classic car show

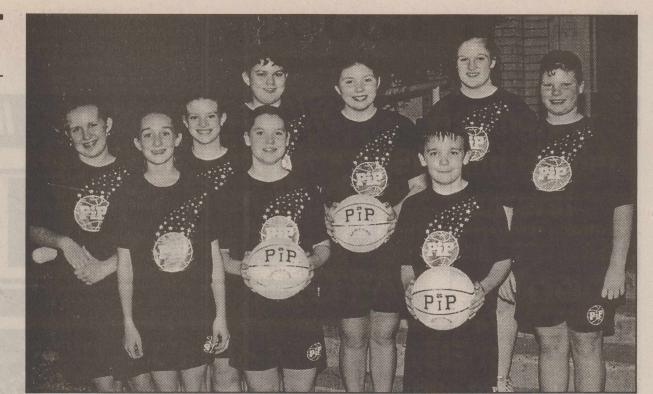
The 9th annual Haskell Fire Dept. Classic Car Show will be held Sat., March 19 around the courthouse in Haskell. Entries are \$20. Registration will be from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Fire Station. Judging will be at 12:30 p.m. followed by a trophy presentation at 3:30 p.m. Hot Wheel races will be held for the kids. A kids tractor pull will be held. For more information contact Randy Shaw at 864-2023.

One Act Plays

The Haskell Memorial Civic Center will host a night of One Act Plays Mon., Feb. 28 beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Civic Center. High school students from Rule, Munday, Paint Creek and Haskell will present their plays. Admission is \$3 per person. A concession will be available during intermission of each play. Door prizes will be given.

Sr. 4-H to meet

The Haskell Senior 4-H Club will meet Sun., Feb. 20 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Haskell National Bank Community Room. Upcoming contests, events, record book keeping, camps and community service projects along with finalization of the photography awards program will be discussed. A light supper will be served. For more information, call the Extension Office at 864-2658 or 864-2546.



PIPS SPINNERS—Haskell Players in Progress who were eligible to be members of Angie's Spin Club by being able to spin their ball for 20 seconds, are: front, I-r, Aubrey Bassett, Brooke Bullinger and Brady Leach. Back row, Paige Adams, Jordan Burson, Ashlee Short, Kelsie Adams, Sara Weise and Jasmine Klose. During the basketball season, PIPs performed during half-time at home games.

Obituaries

Elisa Gonzales

Funeral services for Elisa Gonzales, 77, of Arlington, formally of Haskell, were held Fri., Feb. 11 at Calvary Baptist Church in Haskell with Joel Hamill officiating. Services were under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Mrs. Gonzales died Mon., Feb. 7 in Arlington.

Born April 26, 1927 in Casa Blanca, Texas, she was the daughter of Ygnacia and Anselmo Martinez. She married Domingo Gonzales Sept. 3, 1943. He preceded her in death in 1989. She loved to quilt, cook for her grandchildren and enjoyed just being with her family. She

Alma Lavern Blackburn

Funeral services for Alma Lavern Blackburn, 92, of Milam were held Wed., Feb. 9 at Starr Funeral Home Chapel in Hemphill with Bro. Robert Shaddock officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery in Haskell Fri., Feb. 11 under the direction of Starr Funeral Home.

Mrs. Blackburn died Mon., Feb. 7 at Sabine County Hospital in Hemphill.

Born June 23, 1912 in Haskell, she was a housewife and a Baptist.

will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and one son, Anselmo Gonzales.

Survivors include four daughters, Adelita Ortiz and Irma Gutierrez, both of Plainview, Janie Ruiz and Dominga Montoya, both of Arlington; three sons, Richard Gonzales of Haskell, Margarito Gonzales of San Antonio and Domingo Gonzales of Arlington; twenty grandchildren and forty-seven great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Joe Blackburn; son, Reggie Blackburn; grandson, Joseph Blackburn; parents, John and Carrie Pittman and a brother, Hollis Pittman.

Survivors include two sons, Edwin Wayne Blackburn of Milam and James Thomas Blackburn of Pittsburg, Texas; seven grandchildren; 18 great grandchildren and five great grandchildren. PD. NOTICE

Cattle Market report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 410 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., Feb. 12, according to Gary Tate, reporter. 54 sellers and 32 buyers were present.

Packers \$2 to \$4 higher. Stockers steady. Feeders \$2 to \$3 lower.

Cows: fat, .53-.62; cutters, .50-.64; canners, .28-.48.

Bulls: bologna, .68-.73; feeders, .87-.96; utility, .62-.68.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.40-1.90; 300-400 lbs., 1.25-1.40; 400-500 lbs., 1.15-130; 500-600 lbs., 1.10-1.25; 600-700 lbs., 1.00-1.15; 700-800 lbs., .90-1.10; 800-up lbs., .80-.96.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.20-1.65; 300-400 lbs., 1.15-1.25; 400-500 lbs., 1.10-1.23; 500-600 lbs., .98-1.14; 600-up lbs., .75-1.08. Bred heifers medium frame, 650-

Bred Cows: young to middle aged, 900-1075; aged or small, 575-

Cows with calves: medium frame

No. 1 young and middle aged, 1050-1350; aged or small, 750-950.

Hertel attends training

Jeremy Hertel of Richardson's recently completed the Silver Level of the STIHL Service Advantage Training in McKinney. The three tier school provides technical service and safety training for the service personnel of retailers who sell STIHL outdoor power equipment.

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Written By

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If you helped support your parents or other adult relatives in 2004, check out the tax breaks that could lower your taxes. Possible benefits include claiming your relative as a dependent, generating extra medical deductions, and being taxed at lower rates.

First, determine if the relative qualifies as your dependent. An adult dependent's gross income must be less than the exemption amount for 2004 (\$3,100), but some income, such as social security, isn't counted for this purpose.

You also must contribute more than half of your relative's support. Social security does count as support for this test. However, if you and others together provide more than half of a person's support, you can claim the exemption if the others are willing to sign a document called a "multiple support agreement."

If a relative could be your dependent except for having too much income, you still might be able to deduct any medical expenses you paid for him or her in 2004. To do so, you must pay the bills directly as part of the individual's support, and your total unreimbursed medical expenses must exceed 7.5% of your adjusted gross income.

If you're single and helping to support a parent, you may be able to file as head of household. Head of household tax rates are lower than those for single people, although higher than those for married couples filing jointly. To qualify, you must maintain your parent's principal home, and your parent must be your dependent. The parent need not live with you, although adult dependents other than parents would have to live with you for head of household status to be available.

Qualifying for these tax breaks can be tricky. Contact us for details or to find out what tax rules apply in your own situation.

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PRACTICE TO WIN-Haskell's Lindsay Pannell, #53, lofts the ball in the practice game with Aspermont at Rule, Fri., Feb. 11. The Maidens won 55 to 48.

Beta Chi Chapter meets in Knox City

The Beta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Society met at the Knox City Elementary School for its December meeting.

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Presenting the program was Knox City third grader, Lyndon Baty, assisted by his father, Louis Baty. Slides were shown as Lyndon told of what his life has been like before and after he received a kidney transplant.

Refreshments were served following the program.

During a business meeting, Erma Liles of Weinert was presented with area and state certificates for having 66 years of membership in the

Supplements to the Chapter yearbooks were distributed.

The March meeting will be held in Munday, Mar. 6, at the First United Methodist Church. The program will feature piano performances by students of Sandy King.

Are you filing your tax return early or late?

Why do some people file their taxes right away while others procrastinate?

According to Dr. Steven Krebaum, clinical assistant professor of psychiatry at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, economics sometimes takes a back seat to psychology when it comes to tax season. Expectations often impact the process.

"Based on the literature, when a person files taxes is largely based on variables such as the individual's current cash position and expectations regarding either a payment or a refund," he says. "Those with higher incomes tend to file later, particularly if they anticipate large tax payments, while those who expect refunds file earlier, especially if they think they will be getting large refunds."

However, these trends are not always consistent. Interestingly, a number of psychological issues may cause even those who expect refunds to delay filing," Dr. Krebaum says. Those reasons may include:

•being upset because stocks have taken a dip and you don't want to face

•not wanting to be realistic in regard to personal finances, which filing taxes forces you to do

•anger toward Washington, D. C., bureaucracy, with resulting delay in filing because you don't want to "pay the government"

•not wanting to be reminded of distressing personal issues, such as a recent divorce

"Generally, it may be that psychology plays a larger role than economics in decisions of when to file," Dr. Krebaum says.

All deadlines are 5 p.m. Monday.



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NEW BOOK FOR LIBRARY-Ronnie Kincaid, Executive Director of Region 14, presents Haskell librarian, Betsy McManamon, with a copy of "Medal of Honor," given to the Haskell Elementary School by Ross Perot.

Students present Study Club program

Twenty members of the Progressive Study club met, Thurs., Feb. 10 at the Haskell High School Auditorium for a program on International Affairs and the Arts.

President Julia Harrell welcomed members and guest, Charlene Finn, and introduced the program.

Caleb Hudgins, member of the Haskell High School UIL Debate Team, which won the District in debate, spoke of the team's topic, "United Nation Affairs." Jamie Davis is the HHS debate coach.

Members of the cast and stage crew of the Haskell High School oneact play, presented scenes from the play "Over the River and Through the Woods," by Joe DiPietro, which they will present in full for the public during the Night of One-Act Plays, to be held Mon., Mar. 28. On that date plays will be presented by casts from Munday, Rule, Paint Creek and Haskell schools, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Haskell Civic Center.

Student actors in the Haskell play were Jimmy Fuentes, Caleb Hudgens, Lindsay Pannell, Ryan Davis, Teddye Sue Harris and Kristen Martinez. The stage crew consisted of Mike Payne, Andrew Silvas, Ashley Foster and Jared Webb. Play director is Melissa Tatum.

Following the program, valentine refreshments were served to members, guest Charlene Finn and the Haskell play cast, by hostesses Bettie Wainscott, Alice Ballard, Mary Kaigler and Joan Medford.

During a business session, the club's budgeted donations and community projects for the year were announced by treasurer, Bettie

Wainscott. Menu plans for the noon meal to be served during the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs Mesquite District Spring Convention to be held in Haskell in April, were presented by Alice Ballard.

Named to the nominating committee for a new slate of officers were Darlene Smith, chairman; Lynn Dodson; Dorothy Hartsfield; Tinka Nelson and Nelda Lane.

The next meeing of the club will be a Texas Heritage Art Tour on Thurs., Mar. 10, featuring lunch at the Hickory Street Cafe and a visit to Frontier Texas! in Abilene.

Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

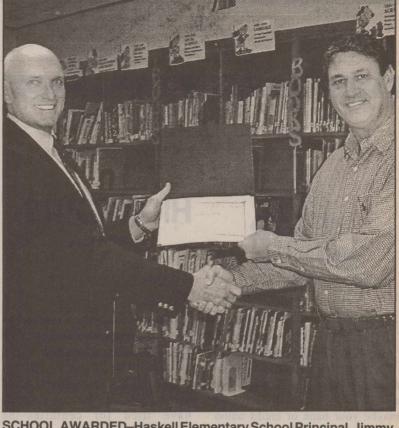
Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hastey were his sister, June Blanchee and friend, Tommie Nobatt of Lubbock. They attend church at Trinity Baptist on Sunday.

Cody Blair and daughter, Abbie of Woodson visited grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Blair over the

Mr. and Mrs. David Conn, Sabrina and Amber, along with Joyce Hawkins visited with Darlene Conn and Julie Cochran in Graham over the

Britney Pannell of Throckmorton spent the weekend with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles

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SCHOOL AWARDED-Haskell Elementary School Principal, Jimmy Lisle, right, accepts a Distinguished Performance Award from Ronnie Kincaid, Executive Director of Region 14. Haskell is one of only five campuses in the Region to receive this award.

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HIGHLIGHTS

By Mike Cox

Senate bill would crack down on identity theft

AUSTIN-One month you notice that your bank statement has not arrived when it normally does. Or maybe your bank or credit union unexpectedly turns down your loan application.

Maybe you aren't your complete self anymore: Someone has assumed your identity, at least your Social Security or driver's license numbers, and is illegally making use of your once-good credit. Generically, it's called identity theft and state officials say the problem is growing increasingly worse.

With that in mind, Sen. Juan Hinojosa (D-McAllen) has filed Senate Bill 122, a bill that would enable the attorney general's office to pursue legal action against anyone who swipes credit card information or personal checks. The bill also would allow the AG's office to seek restitution and even to impose penalties on firms that allow a security lapse in regard to someone's personal information.

For more information on identity theft, check the AG's Web site at www.oag.state.tx.us/consumer/ idtheft.shtml.

By the numbers...

Whether by 33 votes, as the final count last November had it, or by 16 votes, as a legislative review has determined, Hubert Vo (D-Houston) will keep his newly acquired House

Shortly after Rep. Will Hartnett (R-Dallas) released a 60-page report last week that longtime House member Talmadge Heflin had not provided the Legislature "clear and convincing evidence" of election irregularities, Heflin withdrew his challenge.

Legislature considers fountain of youth...

Rep. Rob Eissler (R-The Woodlands) has filed a bill that would accomplish what various hopefuls have tried for centuries-the restoration of youth.

As it is now, when someone turns 21, they can legally buy an alcoholic beverage at any hour on their birthday, even at 12:01 a.m. But if it passes, House Bill 36 would give a minor seven more hours of youth, postponing the dawn of a person's legal drinking age to 7 a.m. on their 21st birthday.

More sober news for imbibers... House Bill 50 would give city, county or state police officers authority to set up sobriety checkpoints and stop motorists at random to check for drunken drivers. Previous attempts to pass a similar bill have failed, but the buzz is that it has a better chance this session.

Texas is one of only 10 states without such a law. Mothers Against Drunk Driving says states with similar laws have experienced reductions in fatal DWI crashes.

Call of the wild...

For those who feel the call of the wild, but still want to keep in touch, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department now offers free wireless Internet service at five state parks.

Should pleasure take you to Choke Canyon State Park, Blanco State Park, Balmorhea State Park, Goose Island State Park or Ray Roberts Lake State Park, be sure and take your laptop if you want to mix in a little business by checking your e-mail from your tent or trailer or

After a free trial period, park visitors will have to pay a fee for the wireless service. If the service proves popular, TPWD says it will look into expanding it.



Wettest Places On Earth Q: Which location gets the most

rainfall in the world?

A: There are several spots that vie for the "wettest place on Earth," says Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University. "Easily the wettest place in the United States-and many reports say in the world-is Mount Waialeale in Hawaii," McRoberts

"It's on the island of Kauai and gets an average of 472 inches of rain (39 feet) each year. It rains there almost every day and many weather experts believe it's the wettest place on the planet.

Mount Waialeale rises 5,200 feet and moisture-filled winds travel up

Q: What are some other wet spots?

A: The other location that often is called the wettest place on Earth is the Indian region of Mawsynram near the Indian Ocean.

called Lloro that claims it once received 523 inches of rain in one year, but that was an estimate and not an officially kept record."

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the slopes and create heavy rains, and this is responsible for the 3,000foot gorges that form Waimea Canyon, sometimes called the "Grand Canyon of the Pacific."

"It also averages over 470 inches of rain every year," McRoberts adds.

"There's a town in Colombia

Heart disease is number one killer of African-Americans

February marks the celebration of black history and heritage, commemorating the birthdays of such African-American pioneers as Frederick Douglass, W.E.B. DuBois and Rosa Parks. Black History Month is not just about history-it's also about the way we live today.

The choices we make today are the ones we'll have to live with tomorrow. It's time to face your risk, take charge of your health and create a legacy for yourself, your family and generations to come. You don't have to let a history of cardiovascular disease dictate your future.

Heart disease is the number one killer of African-American men and women, claiming more than 100,000 lives each year. African-Americans are 30 percent more likely to die of heart disease than Caucasians. Black women also share a disproportionate burden, and are twice as likely as white women to develop heart disease. Certain risk factors, such as high blood pressure, tend to be more prevalent in the black community but usually can be controlled through behavior modifications and healthier

One in four adults has high blood pressure, or hypertension, and many don't even know it. High blood pressure can be extremely dangerous -it's called the "silent killer" since there are no visible symptoms. High blood pressure is also a leading cause of stroke. African-Americans are

much more likely than others to develop high blood pressure early in life, and the blood pressure elevation tends to be more severe. Hypertension can affect women just as easily as men.

High blood pressure is just one of the risk factors plaguing the African-American community. Type 2 diabetes (previously referred to as adult-onset diabetes) is also a major risk factor for cardiovascular disease, and African-Americans are almost twice as likely as Caucasians to develop it. Close to 65 percent of people with diabetes will die from some form of cardiovascular disease. Type 2 diabetes is often linked to obesity and physical inactivity. Being overweight or obese can exacerbate existing risk factors. African-American women especially should take this to heart since nearly 80 percent are considered overweight.

The good news? Heart disease is largely preventable, and the majority of heart attacks are due to unhealthy lifestyles. Aside from monitoring your blood pressure and weight, you should also check your cholesterol and, if you smoke, quit. Smoking is still the leading preventable cause of

The legacy of a long and healthy life is worth fighting for. It's worth it to face your risks. This February, ask yourself, what is your heart

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From Out of the Past

Herman and Lizzie Letz were

named as the Valentine's Day King

and Queen at the Rice Springs Care

Home. They have been married for

the past 69 years. Susie Dela Santos,

a nurses aid and LVN Jo Ann Meeks

were named by the residents as the

and Samuel Toliver were named to

honors rolls or named a distinguished

student at Tarleton State University.

Congressional District were selected

as finalists for internships in

Congressman Charles W. Stenholm's

Washington, D. C. office including

Dennis William Cloud of Rule, a

and Mrs. Melvin Hill of Haskell,

received a promotion at the 4th

Marine Air Wing headquarters in

30 Years Ago

February 20, 1975

Jimmy Lisle, a West Texas State

senior and a former Rule graduate,

signed a professional football

contract after coming to terms with

Festival poster contest were Rhonda

Adams, Kendall Joe Larned, Emily

Thornhill, Shawn Chambers, Susie

Blankenship, Melinda Blakley,

Jimmy Roberts, Kim Griffith and

First place winners in the Winter

the Atlanta Falcons.

Dallas.

Melvin Andrew Hill, son of Mr.

senior at Texas A&M University.

Ten people from the 17th

Bernie Holder, Monty Moeller

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10 Years Ago February 16, 1995

Four representatives of Paint Creek ISD receiving State awards for the school at the Texas Successful Schools Award Ceremony held in Austin were Superintendent Jerry Morgan, Principal Debbie Hobgood and Science teachers Monique Morgan and Joey McCord.

Four local scout leaders were presented 1994 Recognition Awards at the Chisholm Trail Council's Academy Awards of Scouting banquet. Doyle Mitchell was presented the Cubmaster Award; Randy Shaw, Den Leader Award; Lisa Shaw and Paul Brown were both presented the District Award of Merit.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Bingham of Haskell were feted with a 60th wedding anniversary luncheon at the Primitive Baptist Church in Rule.

Jodi Pope, daughter of Jim and Karen Pope of Haskell, learned about "America's Incentive System" in the West Texas Leadership Seminar at the campus of St. Mary's University in San Antonio.

The Haskell Indians became District Champions for the second straight year as they defeated Rotan 60-53. Cody Cooley had a game high 26 points and Shannon Meeks added

> 20 Years Ago February 21, 1985

Shelly Long.

Patricia J. Everett was named Haskell High School's Betty Crocker Family Leader of Tomorrow.

Ernest Briles of Odessa, brother of Dennis Briles of Rule, was promoted to vice president of Odessa Savings and Loan Association.

40 Years Ago February 18, 1965

Pat Bevel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Bevel of Haskell, accepted a post with the National Polio Foundation in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

James H. Kelley of Haskell was named "Driver of the Year for 1964" in awards presentation ceremonies at a banquet staged by the Service Pipe Line Company's West Texas Division.

Larry Hinds, son of Mr. and Mrs. Al Hinds of Paducah and Haskell, was selected as a member of the Tenth Annual All-Senior Honor Band.

Six Haskell High School students chosen campus favorites were Anita Smith, Bonnie Howard, Debby Wiseman, Wendell Coston, Monte Wayne Frierson and Robert Speer.

George Sherman, Jimmy Yeary and Billy Jo Macias were tops in a series of agility tests given by Haskell High School's head coach Sonny Everett and other members of his

50 Years Ago

February 17, 1955 Rule, Weinert and Haskell FFA chapters shared championship honors in the first annual county-wide FFA Project Show. David Frierson of Haskell showed the grand champion steer; Jimmy Hannsz of Rule, grand champion calf; Sonny Wharton, grand champion lamb; Vernon Hargrove of Weinert, grand barrow (gilt); and Carl Kainer of Rule, the grand champion heifer.

Virginia Frierson of this city, Homemaking teacher in Comanche High School, was the State Sponsor of the Texas Association of Future Homemakers of America.

Army Pvt. Robert D. Mickler, son of Jesse J. Mickler of Haskell, set himself for a while playing basketball in Japan with the 1st Cavalry Division's 8th Regiment. Pvt. Mickler was a mine laying specialist.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Adcock, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Adcock, Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Adcock drove to the Chrysler factory in Detroit, Michigan to get four new Chryslers they purchased from Perry Motor Sales of Haskell.

> 100 Years Ago February 18, 1905

W. E. Sherrill as organizer and Albert English and Henry Alexander as assistants, went to Throckmorton to organize a lodge of the Knights of Pythias.

W. A. Earnest of Munday is in Haskell and will remain for some time superintending the building of the public school building.

M. R. Hemphill sold his blacksmith shop to J. B. Furnace, late of Bell County.

From the AG

By Greg Abbott

Automated Information about Child Support Just a Phone Call Away

I want to remind parents who pay and parents who receive child support that important information on their Attorney General child support case is just a phone call away. Mothers and fathers who have questions about their case may obtain detailed information 24 hours a day, seven days a week by calling the agency's toll-free automated voice response system at 1-800-252-8014. With one phone call, parents can obtain:

·a record of their last four courtordered child support payments;

•dates and locations of pending court hearings;

•dates of service on current legal actions; and ·availability of genetic test

results. In addition, parents without

custody can hear: •a record of their last four

voluntary payments; and •amount due for current and past-

due child support

There is nothing more important than getting needed financial support to families. I hope that providing this vital information with one phone call will make life a little easier for the parents and children that we serve.

To access the confidential case information by phone, custodial parents must enter the last four digits of their Social Security number and eight-digit customer identification number (CIN). Noncustodial parents must enter their entire Social Security number and eight-digit member identification number. Parents who do not know their identification number or misplace the number should contact their local child support office. In addition to obtaining detailed information about specific child support cases, callers to the Attorney General's automated voice response system can get basic information about child support and apply for services. Our telephone system receives more than two million calls a month from custodial and noncustodial parents, the general public, and employers of parents who pay child support through income withholding. Customer service representatives are available every workday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. for callers who need to speak with someone about their child support case.

The federal government has recognized the Attorney General's Child Support Division for maintaining one of the best statewide child support automated telephone systems in the nation. Texas was one of 14 model states to excel in customer service for providing callers with superior access to useful information. The most helpful features of the Texas system were around-the-clock availability of case-specific payment information, instructions on system use, repeat menu functions, and direct links to live representatives.

The telephone is just one avenue of assistance for mothers and fathers who have Attorney General child support cases. Parents can also obtain specific information about their child support case by visiting Child Support Interactive online at www.oag.state.tx.us. We are pleased that so many people find our Web site a useful source of information. Child Support Interactive received more than 12 million visits last year, a 75 percent increase over the previous year's visits. The general public can visit the site to learn about the child support program and apply for services.

The Attorney General's Child Support Division is committed to helping Texas parents provide financial, medical and emotional support their children need to succeed in life. Last year, we collected \$1.67 billion for the children of Texas. Parents who need child support services may obtain an application by calling 1-800-252-8014, visiting the Web site, or contacting the nearest child support office.

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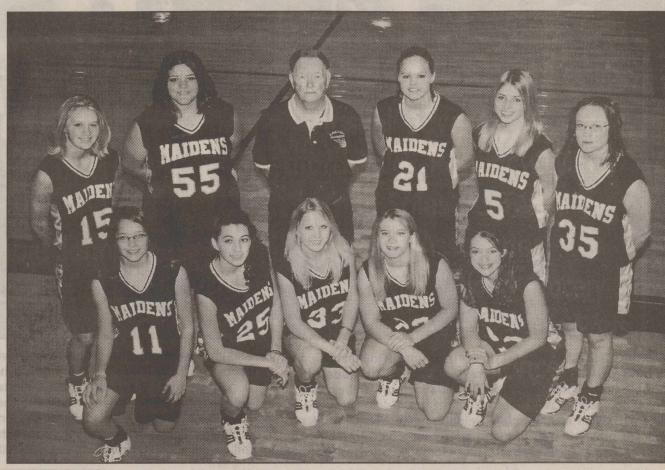
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HASKELL MAIDENS: Front, I-r: Chambray Bartley, Mollie McKnight, Robbyn Tribbey, Kerri Newton and Lindsay Pannell. Back: Whitney Wallace, Morgan Acosta, Coach David Middleton, Monica Buerger, Calina Kendall and Brianna Wheatley.

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HASKELL INDIANS: Front, I-r: Ryan Davis, Kevin Kilgore, Ramon Cueller, Jakaan Hodge, Kory Foster, L.J. McCulloch and Jared Webb. Back: Coach Toby Villa, Miquel Chavez, D.J. McCulloch, Nate Webb, Augustine Lara, Gary Frierson, Kendall Mitchell and Coach Lolo Martinez.

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TOURING THE CAMPUS-Fri., Feb. 4, two future Rochester Junior High 7th graders for 2005-06, joined by 41 future 7th graders from Haskell, came to the Rochester Campus for tours of the campus, a question and answer session with Supt. Eddie Bland, Supt. Billie McKeever and Principle Reida Penman. These students, who are presently 6th graders, were given an introduction to some of their 2005-06 teachers, participated in a scavenger hunt, and had their individual pictures taken with "Val," the Valentine robot made by Dorothy Hollingsworth. For completing the scavenger hunt, they were given T-shirts that read "Rochester Junior High 2005-2006-new campus, new opportunities, new traditions." After a great visit, the students are looking forward to having Rochester as their Junior High campus, starting this fall. Haskell 7th graders will soon visit the Rochester campus.



NEW CAMPUS WELCOME-Rochester's Candice Hill and Kayla Peters welcomed Haskell's 41 6th graders to the new Rochester Junior High, during their joint tour of the campus, Feb. 4.

This Week's Devotional Message:



GOD ENABLED PEOPLE TO WRITE THE BOOKS THAT WE ENJOY

our lives would be if it weren't for books? We have them in our homes and yet seldom appreciate the wealth of learning and enjoyment they have brought to us. They are relatively inexpensive, particularly the paperbacks, compared to what they offer us, and they may be borrowed free of charge from our local library. Books cover virtually every subject in the world;

Have you ever thought about how empty including science, history, astronomy, adventure, romance, westerns, mysteries, children's stories, advice on everything from cooking to gardening to home repair, etc., and religion, which includes the greatest book of all, the Bible. At your house of worship, thank God for the ability He has granted to the authors of all those books, which have done so much to enrich

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

---HASKELL--East Side Baptist Church Danny Manross, pastor Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m. 600 N. 1st East, Haskell Christian Church Dusty Garison, minister Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 107 N. Ave. F, Haskell New Vision Family Worship Center Joe and Loretta Stulir, pastors 864-3465 Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7:00 p.m. East Hwy 380, Haskell

Trinity Lutheran Church Ron Rennegarbe, pastor Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30 Hwy 380 East, Haskell Iglesia Bautista El Calvario

Art Flores, Interim pastor Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 5 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 607 S. 7th, Haskell

First United Methodist Church Allen Brooks, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:50 a.m. 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.

201 N. Ave. F, Haskel 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 George Roney Sat. Mass 7 p.m.; Sun. Morn. 9:00 a.m. 901 N. 16th, Haskell

Church of Christ Brett Anderson, minister Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 10:30 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m. 510 N. Ave. E, Haskell

First Presbyterian Church Steve Beatty, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m. 306 N. Ave: E, Haskell Trinity Baptist Church Tony Grand, pastor Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 p.

114 S. Ave. D, Haskell Hopewell Baptist Church Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 908 N. Ave. A, Haskell

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Mission Revival Center Rev. William Hodge Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m. 1600 N. Ave. B, Haskell First Baptist Church

Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 301 N. Ave. E, Haskell Church in the Park Rev. Tim and Suzann Townsend Sun. Morn. 10:30 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

Gazebo or Pavillion Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church Dr. Gibbie McMillan, Interim pastor Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. Wed. 6 p.m. 1303 N. Ave. I, Haskell -WEINERT-

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> -ROCHESTER-Church of Christ Steve Wilis, minister

Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m. West on Main Street, Rochester First Baptist Church Jackie Brem, pastor Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m. 500 Main, Rochester

Union Chapel Baptist Church Rev. Clarence Walker Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. Rochester

Faith Chapel of Rochester Katherine Byrd, minister Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m. Hwy 6, Rochester

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First United Methodist Church Dolan Brinson, pastor Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. Rocheste

-SAGERTON-Sagerton Methodist Church Philip Houston, 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. ---RULE-

First Baptist Church Josh Stowe, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 1001 Union Ave., Rule Primitive Baptist Church

Dale Turner Jr., pastor First & Third Sundays 10 a.m. Corner of 8th & Robins, Rule Church of Christ John Greeson, minister

Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 811 Union, Rule

First United Methodist Church Wendall Fergerson, pastor Sun. Morn. Worship 8:30 a.m. 1000 Union Ave., Rule Primera Iglesia Bautista

Alfa y Omegs Manuel Marin, pastor Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m. 500 Elm Street, Rule Sweet Home Baptist Church

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

Sun. Morn. 10 a.., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m. 300 Sunny Ave., Rule -PAINT CREEK-Paint Creek Baptist Church

Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m. Paint Creek -O'BRIEN-

O'Brien Baptist Church Jim Reid, pastor Sun. 9:45 a.., 11 a., 5 p., 6 p, Wed. 6 p.m.

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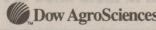
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Haskell School Menu

Feb. 21-25 Breakfast

Juice and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.

Monday: Breakfast pizza Tuesday: Pigs in a blanket Wednesday: Cereal, Cheez-It crackers

Thursday: Sausage, biscuit Friday: Long John 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: Steakfingers, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, fruit salad

Tuesday: Frito pie, cheese, garden salad, pinto beans, peach cobbler Wednesday: Chicken spaghetti, fried okra, garden salad, breadstick, pineapple tidbits

Thursday: Pepperoni pizza, corn. ramen noodle slaw, baby carrots, ranch dressing, pudding cups Friday: Hamburger or tuna sandwich, lettuce, tomato, pickle, french fries, apple wedges

Paint Creek School Menu

Feb. 22-25 Breakfast

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Lunch

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Thursday: Turkey, dressing, green beans, mashed potatoes, salad, rolls, chocolate cake

Friday: Hamburgers, fries, lettuce, tomatoes, cheese, cookie

ECC Menu and Calendar

Mon., Feb. 21

11:00 a.m. Blood pressure check Lunch-King Ranch chicken, okra and tomatoes, green beans, sliced onions, yeast rolls, strawberry cake, milk, tea, or coffee

Wed., Feb. 23 9:15 a.m. Movie and popcorn

Lunch-Enchiladas, Spanish rice, pinto beans, garden salad, chips and salsa, orange cake, milk, tea, or coffee Fri., Feb. 25

Lunch-Ham and beans, corn,

garden salad, sliced onions, cornbread, strawberry shortcake, milk, tea, or coffee Announcements begin at 11:45

a.m. followed by lunch.

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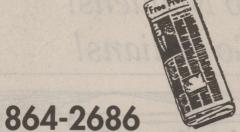
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Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Haskell is accepting sealed bids for the sale of a 1997 Ford Crown Victoria police car. Bids will be accepted until February 25, 2005 at 5:00 p.m. at the City Administrators Office. The Haskell City Council will accept or reject any or all bids at the regular scheduled City Council meeting to be held February 28, 2005 at 7:00 a.m. Vehicle may be seen at Haskell City Hall.

BID NOTICE

Aspermont Small Business Development Center, Inc. is accepting invitations to bid for the 2005 Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program (CEAP) in the Heating and Cooling component. Bidders must be qualified to assess, as well as, repair, replace or retrofit central units, window units and all other major heating and/or cooling appliances for individuals who qualify. Counties to be served include: Haskell, Jones, Kent, Knox, Stonewall and Throckmorton. To request a bid package please contact Wilda Giles at 940-989-3538 or 800-722-0137 or reply to P.O. Box 188, Aspermont, Texas 79502. 7-8c

PUBLIC NOTICE Paint Creek ISD is now accepting applications for a place on the ballot for the May 7, 2005 School Board election. Three places to be filled are place 1, 2 and 4 currently held by Gina Buerger, Brenda Reel and Randy Emert. Applications can be picked up at Paint Creek ISD business office or call 940-864-2471. The deadline to file an application is March 7 at

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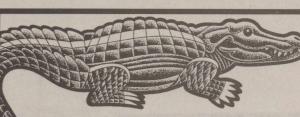
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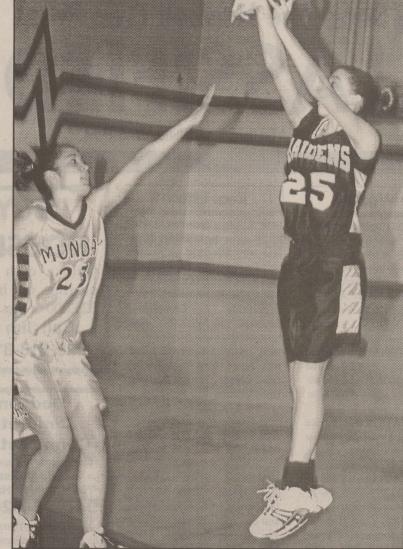
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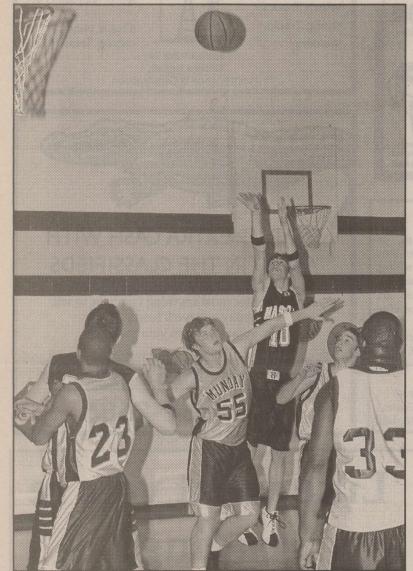
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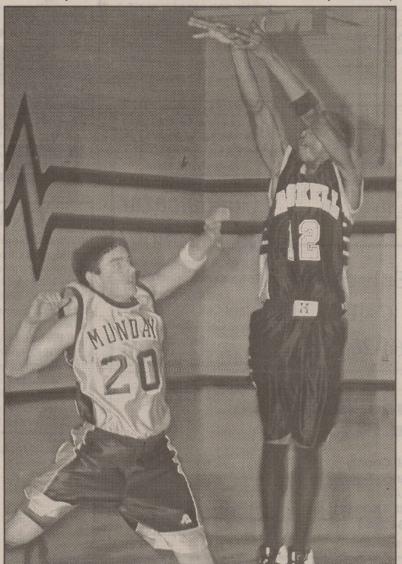
UP FOR WINNING-Haskell's Calinda Kendall scores in the practice game with Aspermont, played at Rule, Fri., Feb. 11. The District runners-up team beat Aspermont, 55 to 48.



MAIDEN MOVES ON MUNDAY-Mollie McKnight #25, leaps to score in the game with Munday, Tues., Feb. 8, helping the District runners-up Haskell team to win 50 to 27.



SCORING ON MUNDAY-Haskell Indian Kendall Mitchell stretches to score in the game with Munday, which ended at 58 to 44 for the District Champs team from Haskell.



OUT MANEUVERING A MOGUL-Guarded by a Munday player, Haskell Indian, Jakaan Hodge rises to score in the game which ended with Haskell 58, Munday 44.

Area Basketball scores

Girls Haskell 50, Munday 27 Scoring for Haskell: Kendall 11, McKnight 9, Newton 6, Acosta 6, Wallace 4, Buerger 4, Pannell 4, Tribbey 2, Bartley 2.

Haskell 55, Aspermont 48 Scoring for Haskell: McKnight 22, Buerger 14, Pannell 8, Tribbey 4, Kendall 3, Bartley 2, Newton 2.

Aspermont 66, Rule 36

Scoring for Rule: Smith 19, Lisle 9, L. Johnson 5, B. Johnson 2, Lehrmann 1.

Jayton 54, Paint Creek 17 Scoring for Paint Creek: Hope 8, Woodall 4, McCord 2, Barr 2, Walker

Boys Haskell 58, Munday 44 Scoring for Haskell: D. J. McCulloch 17, Webb 12, Hodge 11,

Mitchell 9, Lara 3, Foster 2, Chavez

JV score: Haskell 46, Munday 24.

Aspermont 52, Rule 48 Scoring for Rule: Pace 21, Saucedo 10, Kittley 6, Brown 5, Carreon 5.

JV score: Rule 55, Aspermont 44.

Jayton 71, Paint Creek 30 Scoring for Paint Creek: Cisneros 11, Williams 8, Bryant 7, Myers 2, Delacruz 2.

Student in the News

Wade Corley Cothron of Haskell, a business major, was named to the Dean's List for the 2004 Fall Semester at Angelo State University in San Angelo.

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