



Football games

Haskell Indians vs Cisco
Friday, 8 p.m.
at Haskell

Paint Creek Pirates vs. Highland
Saturday, 7:30 p.m.
at Highland

Calendar

Auction set Irby Hall

The Sons of Hermann will hold their monthly meeting Sunday, Oct. 6, at 3 p.m. at Irby Hall. The hall will open at 2 p.m., and the meal will be potluck. After the meeting, an auction will be held. Everyone who wishes to participate should bring a homemade item.

Bonfire slated Oct. 9

The Haskell Senior Class will host a bonfire Wednesday, Oct. 9, to kick off the beginning of district football games. The bonfire will begin about 9 p.m. behind Danny Josselet's home on the Paint Creek Highway. Everyone is invited to come and show support for the Indians.

Pancake Supper

The Haskell Lions Club will host an All-You-Can-Eat pancake supper on Friday, Oct. 4, from 5 to 8 p.m., at the Haskell High School cafeteria, prior to the Cisco-Haskell football game. The meal will consist of pancakes, sausage, bacon, coffee, and milk. Meal tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 2 and under. Tickets are available from any Lions Club member.

Republican rally today

A Republican Party Rally will be held at the Haskell National Bank Building Thursday at noon, Doyle High reports. Rick Perry, Commissioner of Agriculture of Texas, and other people running for local office will be available to answer questions. Sandwiches and punch will be served.

Chicken spag. supper

Progressive Study Club's Chicken Spaghetti Supper will be held Friday, Oct. 11, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Haskell High School cafeteria. Advance tickets will be \$5 and \$5.50 at the door. All proceeds are used by the club for civic projects and scholarships.

BUDS to meet

BUDS, a support group for Down Syndrome, will sponsor a program of "Speech and Language for Children and Adults with Down Syndrome." The meeting will be Thursday, Oct. 3, at 7 p.m. in the Education Center at Abilene Regional Medical Center.

Symphony concert

The Wichita Falls Symphony League will host the first Silver Symphony Series concert with the music of Broadway at 2 p.m. October 12 at Memorial Auditorium.

Homecoming at O'Brien Oct. 12-13

The O'Brien homecoming committee expects 200 people to attend festivities at the Middle School. Rep. Charles Stenholm will attend this celebration also.

Rochester celebrates 90 Years of history Oct. 11 & 12

Rochester will host a homecoming/parade celebrating 90 years of history with an entry depicting each decade.

U.S. Representative Charles Stenholm will ride in the parade.

EMT class Tue & Th

EMT classes will offer training at the Haskell High School on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6 to 10 p.m.

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SUCCESSFUL RUN—Corey Breckel #25 sprinted down the football field on a long yardage gain to help the Indians defeat Albany

Friday night. This was the first win of the season for the Indians. Free Press photo by Bill Blankenship

Indians hand loss to Cisco 17-13

Haskell won its first game of the year in non-district game against the Albany Lions by a score of 17 to 13.

In a hard fought game, Will Trammell scored on a 6-yard

quarterback keeper, Michael Rodriguez hit a 34-yard field goal, and Turner Frierson sneaked by with a 3-yard run late in the third period.

Albany scored two times with a 15-yard pass from quarterback Brian

Bennett to Pete Cisneros and a 16-yard run by Jeff Farmer.

Haskell	0	10	7	0-17
Albany	6	7	0	0-13
		Haskell	Albany	
First downs		13	12	

Rushing yards	50-169	33-154
Passing yards	13	54
Comp-Att-Int	1-2-0	4-13-1

Punts	4-29	4-30
Fumbles lost	4-2	2-1
Penalties-yards	7-40	10-80



QUARTERBACK SACK—Indian Eric Guadalcazar #85 executes one of the many quarterback sacks pulled off by the Indians last Friday night. The Indians were successful defeating Albany 17-13. Free Press photo by Bill Blankenship

City Council proclaims "Golden Wave" Day

The City Council of Haskell hired Shane Hadaway as the city attorney in the Sept. 24 meeting.

Previously Hadaway had served as an attorney as needed, but the council voted to retain him at a \$300 per month rate.

Hadaway grew up in Haskell and has practiced law here for several years.

In other actions, the council appointed Don Kretschmer as ambulance board member.

In response to a request by James Vaughn, the council voted to change restrictions on the land at the far west end of Willow Creek on Highway 380 to a commercial zone. This area is located in the flood zone, however, a potential restaurant builder has expressed interest in the site.

Councilman Fred Hernandez announced that West Texas Utilities will be undergoing structural changes and consolidation of management positions. A new position for Supervisor of Distribution Services (service manager) will be created. That

supervisor as well as an area business manager will be headquartered in Stamford, Hernandez said.

The area business manager will work with the economic development councils and chambers of commerce in all the communities served in the area, which will include Anson, Stamford, Haskell, Throckmorton, Munday, and Knox City.

In other actions the Council approved the Economic Development Council purchase of the building where The Haskell Bean Company was formerly located on Highway 380 for \$27,500 and approved a letter of additional contributed value of \$32,500 to the heirs of Mr. Hall.

Mayor Ken Lane announced that the Baylor University "Golden Wave" Marching Band will perform on October 4 at halftime at the football game between Haskell and Cisco. He proclaimed October 4 as The Baylor University "Golden Wave" Marching Band Day.

Baylor Band to perform in Haskell

October 4 will be the Baylor University "Golden Wave" Marching Band Day in Haskell, proclaimed Mayor Ken Lane.

In a community-wide effort, the city of Haskell in cooperation with the Development Corporation, the Chamber of Commerce, other sponsors, and the cheerleaders invited the band to perform at the high school football game Friday night at 8 p.m. Haskell will play the Cisco Lobos.

"The performance will give area football fans an opportunity to see an outstanding college marching band of about 275 people up close. It should provide quite a thrill for everyone in attendance," said Monty Montgomery, Executive Director of the Development Corporation and a former drum major of the Texas Tech band.

Colleges use the Friday night performances as recruiting trips, but usually to larger schools.

The Baylor band will be greeted at the Jones/Haskell County line about 5 or 5:30 p.m. with police cars and a host from Haskell for each of six or seven chartered buses.

They will be met at the city limits by a fire truck full of cheerleaders. With sirens blaring they will circle the square and then go to the Elementary School cafeteria for barbeque dinners.

They will then go to the stadium for pre-game band performances from all three bands playing their alma maters.

At halftime the band will perform "Blood, Sweat, and Tears" and "Eagle" shows, popular musical groups in the 1970's. Jerry Luckhardt, band director, will conduct.

Mayor Ken Lane will present the proclamation of the city council to the Baylor band immediately

following their performance at halftime.

"The event will cause a sell out of football tickets," Monty Montgomery said. "We are moving in additional stands from the rodeo grounds."

In a complex agreement, sponsors donated \$1500 to feed the band entourage of 300 people. Cheerleaders, their parents, and sponsors are all making two

Chamber banquet set Oct. 15

The Haskell Chamber of Commerce will host a fall banquet to name the Citizen of the Year at 7 p.m. October 15 at the Haskell Civic Center.

Banquet tickets are \$7.50 for a fajita dinner catered by Kyle and Loutina White. In keeping with Wild Horse Prairie Days, the theme is Paint Your Wagon. Toe-tapping music will be provided by Lindo Guess of Weinert.

Guest speaker will be Gary McCaleb, mayor of Abilene and past president of the Texas Municipal League. He is on the advisory board of the National League of Cities and the U.S. Conference of Mayors. Mayor McCaleb is a native of Anson and a strong supporter of the Texas Midwest Network. He is vice president of Abilene Christian University.

EDC director Monty Montgomery will give a report as well as a preview of upcoming economic events in Haskell. The presentation of the Citizen of the Year award will highlight the banquet.

Tickets are available at The Drug Store, First American Bank, First National Bank, Haskell National Bank, Lane-Felker, Sport About, or from any chamber director.

desserts each to serve in addition to the cheerleaders' serving the barbeque cooked by Modern Way. After paying for the food, the Development Corporation and Chamber will, in turn, write a check to the cheerleaders to fund their activities throughout the year.

Donors for the Baylor band meal are the Haskell National Bank, West Texas Utilities, The Kiwanis Club of Haskell, Chamber of Commerce, First American Bank, MedfordBuick/Pontiac/GMC Truck Larned Sales Center, Bill Wilson Motor Company, Modern Way Food Store, Bailey Toliver Chevrolet/Oldsobile, The Bevers House Bed and Breakfast, First National Bank, East Side Baptist Church, First Baptist Church Lane-Felker, and the Rotary Club all of Haskell.

If time is available, the Baylor band may perform at a post game show, after which they will proceed to Lubbock for the Baylor versus Texas Tech football game on Saturday.

Baylor band members are ordering t-shirts imprinted with "I survived halftime at Haskell."



WINNING FLOAT—The "ladies" were aboard the winning float for B.G.'s Small Mall during the Ruk Jubile parade Saturday. "Ladies" were Robert Ace Turner, Clayton Stegemoeller, Bobby Don Smith and Rod Petty. 2nd place float was Sharon's Cut & Curl; 3rd place flat was Western Winds Drive In and Motel.

Sagerton News

By Dorothy M. Clark

Fall is in the air and everyone welcomes the cooler weather. Soon we will be measuring the wind chill factor instead of the heat index. Nowhere but in West Texas does the temperature vary 40 degrees from one day to the next.

The September Birthday Club met at the Cliff House for their annual dinner out with Fred and Billie Kupatt as hosts. Attending were Delbert and Joyce LeFevre, Wilma Teichelman, Alvin and Ev Ulmer, Johnny and Sue Guinn, Bill

and Margie Hertel, and J.B. and Dorothy Toney.

Members of the Methodist Church met for their monthly social on Wednesday of last week for a stew and cornbread supper. Present were G. W. and Ophelia LeFevre, Frances Clark, Hazel Letz, Andrea Kittley and her niece Minnie, Jacky and Peggy Tabor, Delbert and Joyce LeFevre, Herbert and Christine Stremmel, Alvin and Ev Ulmer, and Charles and Dorothy Clark.

Delbert and Joyce LeFevre hosted a family dinner honoring their daughter Jill Brown on her birthday. Guests included the honoree's family, Ken, Kinsey, Cade and Tully, Kent and Kit LeFevre of Tuscola, Harper Stewart of Tuscola, and Larry, Susan, and Shane LeFevre.

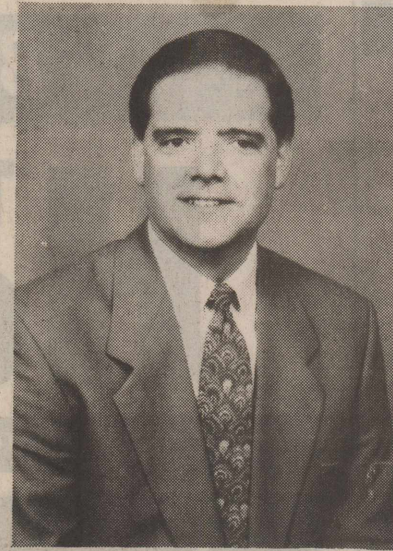
Clara Gholson was the birthday honoree at The Branding Iron recently for a Sunday dinner hosted by Frances Clark. Others helping her celebrate her special day were her husband Cliff and Charles and Dorothy Clark.

Sagerton ladies who were guests for breakfast at Old Glory last

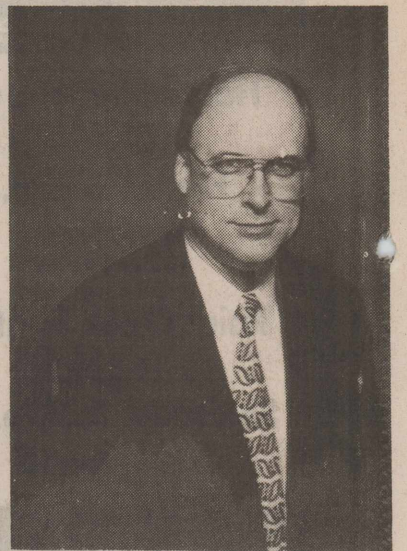
Wednesday morning were Frances Clark, Dorothy Clark, Helen Lehmann, Dorothy Toney, Odene Dudensing, Wilma Teichelman, Joyce LeFevre, and Peggy Tabor.

Ladies of the community are reminded of the Wednesday morning breakfast on October 9 at 7 p.m. This will be the last breakfast of the year.

Calvin Stegemoeller from Hewitt visited in the home of his parents, Leon and Mae, last Friday. His wife, Cherrye Lynn, spent the time with her mother, Earlene Townsend, of Rochester. They were here for the funeral service of her aunt, Shelly Speck, of Rochester.



REV. RANDY WHITE



TIM HOLDER

First Baptist sets revival

The First Baptist Church of Haskell announces a revival of Carry the Light October 13 through 16, Sunday through Wednesday.

Rev. Randy White of the First

Baptist Church in Kaufman will serve as pastor-evangelist, while Tim Holder of Coggin Avenue Baptist Church in Brownwood will carry his message through music.

This Week's Devotional Message: FAITH REMINDS US OF OUR DUTY TO BECOME GOOD CITIZENS



We all live in or near a community of some kind, be it a metropolitan area or a small village that just barely made it on the maps, and even if we only work or shop there, we should take an interest in it. Every municipality has its governing body made up of men and women whose job is to improve the local quality of life. However, every town also has its problems, and we can help those officials

solve them by attending city council or town hall meetings and speaking up about the issues that concern us. At your House of Worship you will always receive the courage to do the right thing, and if that includes alerting your elected officials to specific problems, you will thereby improve not only your own life, but also the lives of all the other residents of the area.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

HASKELL

- East Side Baptist Church**
David Page, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:55 a.m. 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
600 N. 1st East, Haskell
- Christian Church**
Frank Summers, preacher
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
107 N. Ave. F, Haskell
- Church of God**
Eric Clark, pastor • 864-2021
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7:00 p.m.
East Hwy 380, Haskell
- Trinity Lutheran Church**
Gary Bruns, pastor
Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30
Hwy 380 East, Haskell
- Iglesia Bautista El Calvario**
Vergil Smith, interim pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
607 S. 7th, Haskell
- First United Methodist Church**
Sidney Parsley, 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**
Dale Huff, 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**
Jasper McClellan, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
306 N. Ave. E, Haskell
- Trinity Baptist Church**
Rev. Kenneth Blair
Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.
401 S. Ave. D, Haskell

Hopewell Baptist Church

- John Lewis, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
908 N. Ave. A, Haskell
- Greater Independent Baptist Church**
Rev. Camellia Wade, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.
301 N. 3rd St., Haskell
- New Covenant Foursquare**
Freddy Perez, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.
200 S. Ave. F, Haskell
- Mission Revival Center**
Rev. William Hodge
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m.
1600 N. Ave. B, Haskell
- First Baptist Church**
Jim Turner, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
301 N. Ave. E, Haskell

PAINT CREEK

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

WEINERT

- First Baptist Church**
Werth Mayes, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Weinert
- Weinert Methodist Church**
Rev. James Patterson
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.
Weinert
- Weinert Foursquare Church**
Rev. Joyce Goossen and Rev. Diane Crowover
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.
Weinert

ROCHESTER

- Church of Christ**
Jim Pratt, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
West on Main Street, Rochester
- First Baptist Church**
Ed Buerkel, pastor
Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m.
500 Main, Rochester
- Union Chapel Baptist Church**
Rev. Andrew
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Rochester

Faith Chapel of Rochester

- Katherine Byrd, minister
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m.
Hwy 6, Rochester
- First United Methodist Church**
Dolan Brinson, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
Rochester
- SAGERTON**
- Sagerton Methodist Church**
Daniel Ramey, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.
Sagerton
- Faith Lutheran Church**
Jeff Zell, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Sagerton

RULE

- First Baptist Church**
Rev. Troy Culpepper
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
1001 Union Ave., Rule
- Primitive Baptist Church**
Dale Turner Jr., pastor
First & Third Sundays 10 a.m.
Corner of 8th & Robins, Rule
- Church of Christ**
John Greeson, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
811 Union, Rule
- First United Methodist Church**
Daniel Ramey, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10:50 a.m., 6 p.m.
1000 Union Ave., Rule
- New Life Baptist Mission**
Jesus Herrera
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
Elm Street-Hwy 380 E, Rule
- Sweet Home Baptist Church**
Matt Herrington, 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

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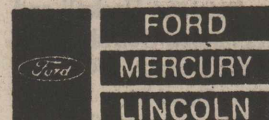
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LIFESTYLES

Rochester homecoming festivities slated Oct. 11-13

Both Rochester and O'Brien will be celebrating their respective homecoming festivities the weekend of Oct. 11-13.

Marguerite Gauntt along with Jane Short, president of the Rochester Homecoming, and many others have been planning the Rochester festivities for months. Their schedule in brief includes:

Friday, Oct. 11
 Pep Rally—3:10 p.m. at High School Gym,
 Supper—5:30 p.m. at Fire Hall
 Football game—7:30 Stadium
 Rochester versus Patton Springs
 Following the game, a musical/dance will be held with "The Yellow Jackets" providing some of the music.

Saturday, Oct. 12
 Registration—8:30 a.m. School
 Visitation in the cafeteria, open house all day. Sandwiches and drinks will be served.
 City Grocery will be open also serving lunches.

Business meeting—1 p.m. at Simmons Auditorium
 After the business meeting, a parade of "90 Years of Reminiscing," will be held downtown, followed by a chuck wagon supper and later a dance on main street at 9 p.m. Exact times of these events, according to Ms. Gauntt, are difficult to estimate, but she believes the parade will begin about 3:30 or 4 p.m.

Chairs will be provided downtown for spectators of the parade.

Ms. Gauntt, well-known Rochester historian, and Jerry Harris of Haskell will narrate the parade which already lists 38 entries of buggies, surreys, wagons, 4-wheelers, bicycles, tractors and other farm equipment. Cowboys and Indians, a gold prospector, and a Spanish conquistador will all participate as well as many other people.

U.S. Representative Charles Stenholm and Mary Counts, representing husband and State Representative David Counts, are expected to ride in the parade.



MARGUERITE GAUNTT

Anyone interested in entering the parade may contact Ms. Gauntt at 743-3264, George Mullino at 743-3559, or Rod Townsend at 743-3361.



MR. AND MRS. CHAD ROBERTS

Roberts, Rushing wed in Wichita Falls

Vickie Rushing and Chad Roberts were married August 12 in Wichita Falls. Justice of the Peace Janice Ralson Sons officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Billie Rushing of Wichita Falls. The groom's parents are Albert Roberts of Woodson and Neta Roberts of Wichita Falls.

The groom is a graduate of the 1995 Vernon Regional Police Academy and is employed as an officer by the Wichita County Sheriff's Department. The bride is a student.

The couple took a wedding trip to Las Vegas. They now reside in Wichita Falls.

Homecoming events scheduled in O'Brien

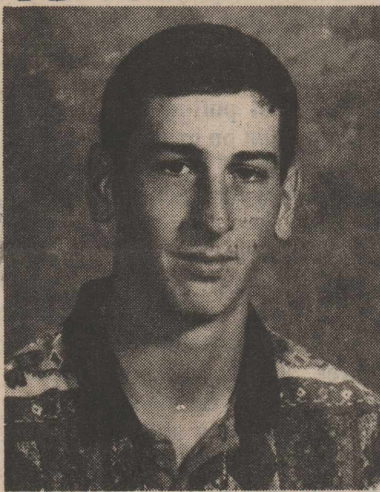
The O'Brien Homecoming events will take place at the Middle School or old Carney High School, according to Joyce West. Registration will be held Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon when a barbecue luncheon will be served. At 2 p.m. U.S. Representative Charles Stenholm will present a flag which has flown on the U.S. Capitol and Texas Representative David Counts will present a flag which has flown on the State Capitol to the school principal,

Eddie Bland.

After a memorial service, music and class parties will entertain the expected 200 people attending until dinner when sandwiches will be served. A dance at 9 p.m. at Benjamin will top off the day.

On Sunday, Rev. Derrell Lewis, a former student, will speak at the ceremony at the First Baptist Church in O'Brien at 11 a.m. A sandwich luncheon will follow at noon at the school.

Kretschmer named to Who's Who



DEREK KRETSCHMER

Who's who

Derek Kretschmer, son of Suzanne Kretschmer of Wall and the late Harold Roy Kretschmer, has been named to "Who's Who" among American high school students of 1995-1996.

Derek is a sophomore at Wall High School and is involved in the Future Farmers of America, varsity football, basketball, and track. He is also a member of the Twin Mountain 4-H Club and the St. Ambrose Catholic Church youth group.

He is the grandson of Herbert and Dora Kretschmer of Haskell.

Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Those helping Herbert Fischer celebrate his birthday recently were Mr. and Mrs. David Fischer and Rebecca and Christopher of Plano; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Peiser; Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Dean Druessedow of Abilene; Francis Fischer; Birdie Fischer; Pastor and Martha Bruns; Ann Druessedow; Pauline Dick; Harry Koehler and Henrietta and Dale, all of Haskell.

Visiting recently with Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Decker and Opal Rose were Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Dickerson and daughters from Breckenridge. Also visiting were Joyce Taggart and Bernice Hewlett from Crawley, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Race from Ft. Worth, Sharla Jetton, Velma Jetton, and Jerri Ann Freeman of Haskell.

Visiting Mrs. Opal Stryker were daughters Barbra Duval of Fairport, N.Y., and Delores Lee of Forney. They had lunch with Mom at the E.C.C. on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Hill and daughter of Abilene visited parents Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Darden and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Hill over the weekend. They attended church at Trinity Baptist Sunday morning.

Visiting Mrs. Mapes and Freida Piland Thursday through Sunday were Mrs. Mapes' nephew and wife, Tommy and Elenor Mapes from Venture, Calif. Joining them on Friday and Saturday were Tommy's brothers with their wives, Charley and Mildred Mapes from Euless, and Dan and Jean Mapes of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Bryant McCallum of Oklahoma City, Ok. spent the day Saturday with his mother, Audree McCallum, and Charles and Nedra McCauley had lunch with them at Andree's.

Glenn Cox of Garland visited his mother, Helen Cox, and sister, Sue Miller, and Jo Veta Ellison over the weekend.

Mavis Childs of Fresno, Calif. has visited with Roy and Jimalee

George for the past several days. She is a long time friend of the Georges and is the widow of the late Rev. Forest Childs. She had lunch at the E.C.C. with Jimalee on Monday.

Box and Linda Killian of Odessa visited with Neat Bevel on Saturday. They are neighbors of Neat's daughter Joy along with Jackie Harvey in Odessa.

On Sunday Lyla Mary Isbell attended the 75th wedding anniversary of her Uncle and Aunt Bill and Bertha Hager. They live in the Ericksdale community.

The Haskell County Squares had their monthly dance of Saturday night. Berniece Hilliard attended where Leon Ivey did the calling.

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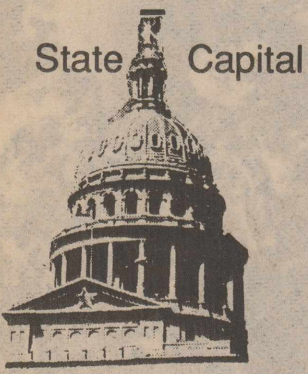
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OPINION



HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling
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AUSTIN — The Office of the State Auditor has uncovered more than \$1 million in questionable expenditures by tax-supported nursing homes and in-home health-care companies.

The expenditures were discovered in cost reports submitted to the Texas Department of Human Services, the agency which regulates such facilities. The cost reports show how revenue from all sources — including Medicaid, Medicare and private insurance payments — was spent.

"The funds used to make these expenditures could have been used to provide higher quality care or to provide care to a greater number of clients," the audit report said.

Among the findings: 10 nursing homes spent almost \$615,000 on items such as a Cadillac, Texas Rangers baseball tickets and jobs for relatives who did no work; and five in-home health-care companies spent almost \$387,000 on employee parties, leasing an airplane from an employee, car window tinting and other items.

The names of the nursing homes and health-care companies were not made public.

Last week, State Auditor Lawrence Alwin recommended that the Department of Human Services set limits on how Medicaid funds can be spent and devise a system to recoup money spent in a questionable manner.

Terry Trimble, acting commissioner of the DHS, said the audit raises legitimate public policy questions.

"Once the money goes to the nursing facility — assuming they're providing the service and we're paying the correct rate — then they can spend the money however they want. There's nothing illegal about them spending \$13,000 on a car. That is a legitimate public policy question that perhaps somebody wants to deal with," Trimble told the *Austin American-Statesman*.

Audit Takes Senate to Task

Meanwhile, another state auditor's report distributed to state senators last week called for tighter control over Senate expenses.

According to the management audit report, the Senate spent \$25.7 million last year. Individually, the 31 senators spent from \$160,421 to \$467,907 on office expenditures. The disparity in those amounts could be attributed to the costs of commuting to and from Austin, suggested Mike Hailey, a spokesman for Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock.

A financial audit of the Senate is in progress, but no date has been set for its completion.

More Violent Offenders in TYC

A new state study shows Texas' increasing number of juveniles being sentenced to the Texas Youth Commission are violent and are more likely to have used weapons in crimes.

The study was done by the Criminal Justice Policy Council, a state agency that monitors crime trends.

Since 1990, the percentage of violent criminals in TYC lockups grew from 16 percent to 37 percent in 1995, when the total number of commitments rose to 2,318. The study also shows an increasing number of teen-age criminals are substance abusers and are affiliated with gangs.

Steve Robinson, executive director of the Texas Youth Commission, told the *American-Statesman* the agency is focused on changing offenders' behavior "... so that when they leave they will know how to act appropriately in society — know the difference between right and wrong."

Another finding: 41 percent of

those who are incarcerated will be back behind bars within three years.

Hispanic Educators Discuss Hopes

Hispanic educators and civil libertarians met in Austin last week to discuss ways to open higher education to more Texans, in light of the federal court decision that barred Texas colleges and universities from using race as a factor in the student admissions process.

State Rep. Ciro Rodriguez, D-San Antonio, and leaders from Hispanic education groups, called for state higher education officials to de-emphasize the results of standardized tests in the admissions process and instead give more consideration to each student's grades and personal character.

"The main thing is to provide hope to individuals and to provide opportunities to individuals," Rodriguez said.

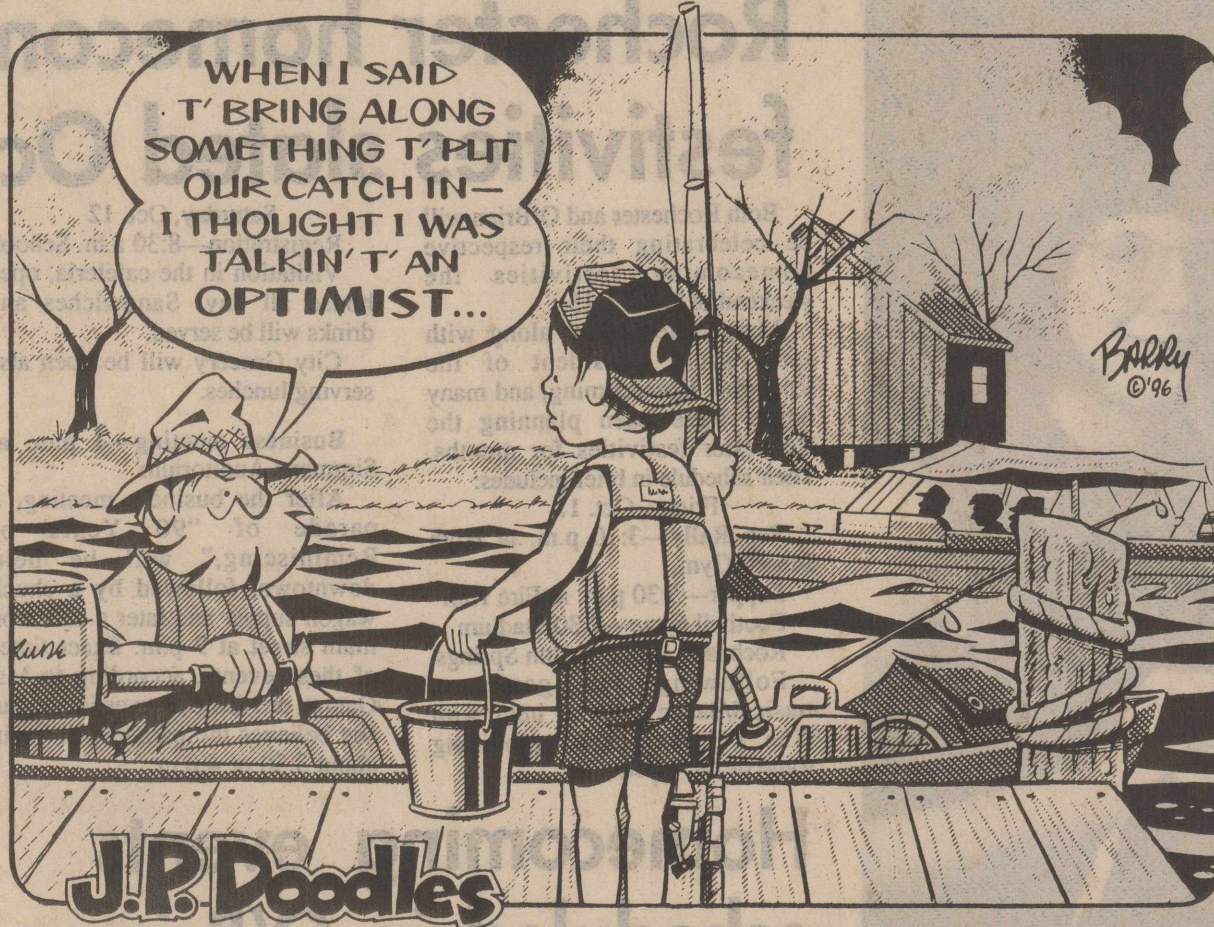
Texas officials have said the U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals decision covers the granting of scholarships and financial aid.

Minority groups contend, however, that such an interpretation is counterproductive because it slams the doors on African-American and Mexican-American students when the state's minority population is increasing dramatically.

Other Capital Highlights

■ Newly appointed Texas State Education Chairman Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, is looking at ways to make the state university admissions process more efficient and student-friendly. One idea: instead of sending an application only to the campus they wish to attend, students would apply to the University of Texas System. The system would tell them which of UT's campuses they would be able to attend.

■ The Department of Human Services reported a 12 percent drop in the number of Texas welfare recipients over the last two years. That's 96,000 fewer recipients. But, the number of welfare clients in border counties with high levels of unemployment and poverty, such as Cameron and El Paso, increased over the period.



From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

20 Years Ago Sept. 30, 1976

Debra Wells, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wells, was named the champion youth exhibitor of the 1976 Haskell County Fair. Cindy Thomas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Thomas of Haskell, showed the Reserve Grand Champion Heifer. Kerry Therwhanger of Haskell showed the Reserve Champion Sheep.

Mrs. J.F. Ballard of Rochester won first place in the Funk's seed count contest held at the Haskell Co. Fair last week. Mrs. Ballard won by guessing closest to the number of sorghum seed in a jar. She will receive a bag of grain sorghum and a quilted jacket for first prize. There were 20,580 seed in the jar and her winning guess was 21,000 seed.

Edith Schmidt has returned home after spending 10 days on the islands Oahu and Waikiki of Hawaii. While there she saw Pearl Harbor, Diamond Head and visited with some of the cast of Hawaii Five-O.

30 Years Ago Oct. 6, 1966

September was another wet month "moisturewise" for Haskell as a total of 3.93 inches was recorded by Sam Herren, "the weatherman." Normal September rainfall is 2.04 inches. Lowest temperature readings for September were cool 55 degrees registered on the 20th and again on the 28th. Highest reading for the month was

92 on September 30th.

Dick's Super Market was advertising: Crisco Shortening, 3 lb. can for 79¢; Miracle Whip, qt. jar for 59¢; Vine Ripe Tomatoes, 10¢ lb.; Fresh Ground Meat, 49¢ lb.; Folger's Coffee, 69¢ lb.; and Bama Apple Butter, 29¢ for a 22 oz. jar.

40 Years Ago Oct. 4, 1956

The Texas Employment Commission has been notified by Ed McDonald, regional director of the Bureau of Employment Security in Dallas, that wage findings effective Sept. 28, for cotton pulling in Haskell Co. are as follows: First pulling, \$1.50 per hundred weight on irrigated acreage and \$1.50 to \$1.65 per hundred weight on dry land acreage. These wage rates are effective for two weeks from Sept. 28.

Playing on their home field, the Mattson Ponies beat Vera Tuesday night, 34-32, for their second win in three starts. Larry Campbell made three TDs for the Ponies, all on kickoff returns and one extra point. Jerry Alexander scored two TDs and two extra points, and Sammy Sorenson made an extra point to account for the Ponies tally. Jerry Don Klose caught a pass for one TD that was called back.

50 Years Ago Oct. 3, 1946

Mrs. Opal Barker, well known Haskell business woman, Monday opened "Opal's Laundry," a new

helpy-selfy and wet-wash laundry located in a new building one block east of the jail. Mrs. Barker has installed a new water softener system and other new modern equipment and invites her friends and acquaintances to do their laundry with her. Slogan for the new business is "Do your dirty work with us or let us do it for you."

Four Haskell Co. 4-H Club boys will exhibit their beef calves at the Texas State Fair in Dallas Saturday, Oct. 5. Boys exhibiting are James Mickler, Frank Sims, Irvin Frierson and Bob Mickler. F.W. Martin, County Agent, said the calves were in good shape and should make a creditable showing for Haskell Co.

100 Years Ago Oct. 10, 1896

Purchasers of school land are reminded that they must pay the interest on same before the first of November or their claims will be forfeited.

Carney and Company of this city have ordered a carload of corn to be delivered at Seymour within the next few days, which they will sell at cost to the farmers and ranchers of this section.

Rev. N.B. Bennett returned several days ago from Stonewall County where he held a successful meeting. He also participated in a bear hunt, in which the party killed a big bear.

Lee Pierson made a business trip to Albany this week, pedaling over on his bicycle.

Academy applicants sought

Congressman Charles W. Stenholm has announced that he is currently seeking applicants for nomination to the United States Service Academies. Applications

for nomination to the U.S. Military Academy in West Point, N. Y., the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo., the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md. and the United States Merchant Marine Academy in Kings Point, N.Y., may be obtained by writing to Congressman Stenholm's San Angelo office.

Nominations are available to young men and women who will be at least 17 years of age, and not past their 22nd birthday, upon entry into the academy in July. Nominees are selected by a competitive process, judged on scholastic aptitude, moral character, leadership ability and community involvement.

Any person who may be interested in applying for a nomination, or who would like to obtain additional information, should write to Congressman Charles W. Stenholm, 33 East Twohigh #318, San Angelo, TX 76903. Applications must be submitted, and files completed, no later than Dec. 1, 1996. Nominations will be made toward the end of December.

Experienced Citizens Calendar and Menu

Monday, Oct. 7

Lunch—Steak/gravy, potatoes, carrots, pea salad, banana pudding, milk, tea, and coffee.
China painting—1 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 9

Exercise—10:30 a.m.
Lunch—Baked chicken, golden potatoes, mixed vegetables, jellied vag. salad, peach cake, milk, tea, and coffee.

Friday, Oct. 11

Lunch—Lasagna, tossed salad, green beans, apple crisp, garlic bread, milk, tea, and coffee.
All over 60 are invited to come and eat. Call 864-3875 for transportation to the center or for home delivered lunches for the sick or disabled.

More choice for Texans?

You may be hearing that some big industrial groups are proposing radical changes in the electric utility industry. They are proposing that electric consumers should choose where they buy their electricity and are suggesting their rates are too high. Most of these large companies are located in Houston, Dallas, San Antonio, Austin and other large cities.

If you asked a room full of people if they would like to have a choice, many would probably raise their hand. But how would choice and competition in the electric industry affect you and me?

A brief look at the history of the electric utility business may help us answer that question. Some of you still remember years ago when city folks had a choice of where they bought their electricity. However, beyond the city limits there was darkness. Most utilities were not interested in serving sparsely populated rural areas. It was not profitable. It still is not very profitable. This is why you see member-owned electric cooperatives primarily serving these areas today. It makes you wonder, will competitors really be standing in line to serve the needs of rural Texans tomorrow?

These large companies point out that other industries (airlines, natural gas, railroads and telecommunications) have been deregulated and so should the electric industry. It is true that these industries have been deregulated, but are you and I better off?

Experts are challenging the safety and reliability of the airline industry since deregulation. Some of the new carriers that have sprung up have questionable safety records. It seems as though there are more choices when flying from Austin to Dallas, but it's more expensive to fly to smaller communities these days, if you can reach them at all.

A lot of people still do not have natural gas as an energy option since deregulation, especially in rural areas. Where natural gas is an option, there is only one choice of supplier. I also have not noticed that my rates have decreased.

It's hard to say how deregulating the railroads has affected us. With all the mergers and consolidations it appears that there is actually less competition. That does not seem like a good thing. We used to have passenger rail service where I live. That service has been discontinued since deregulation.

Long distance telephone rates for large companies may have gone down since deregulation, but most of us see possible savings of only a few pennies a month. One thing did change about my telephone service, however. I had to get an unlisted number. Now I can enjoy my dinner in the evenings without being interrupted by the many long distance companies who were promising me big savings if I switched.

The bill covers the costs of getting the electricity from where it is made to the consumer, safely and reliably. Cooperatives work hard to hold down the 30 percent of the costs that they directly control.

Electric cooperatives in Texas supported legislation passed in 1995 that could lower generation costs. Co-ops are just now beginning to see the benefits of these lower generation costs that we can pass along to our customers. However, cooperatives are concerned that if the industry is restructured further, our customers might not ever see the full benefits of this new wholesale competition.

Electric cooperatives have always put their customers first. If there is a way to provide electric service better and/or cheaper we want to do it. At a recent statewide meeting, electric cooperatives in Texas passed a resolution. This resolution says that cooperatives oppose any electric industry

restructuring scheme that does not benefit all our member-consumers. This resolution contains ten criteria (things like safety, reliability, convenience and appropriate consumer protections) that should be met before any new laws are passed.

Electricity is not optional for our customers. It is an essential part of the quality of life that we all enjoy today. Cooperatives want to make sure that the electric utility is not radically changed simply because other industries have been deregulated or because of promises of lower rates.

If you are a cooperative member-consumer you have a stake in this debate. You might want to ask yourself—will all Texans really get more choices and lower rates if they change the electric industry?

Mike Williams President/CEO Texas Electric Cooperatives (Representing 86 Electric Cooperatives in Texas)

IRS Workshop set in Abilene Oct. 8

The Internal Revenue Service is hosting a free workshop for persons starting a business or for persons wishing to learn more about their current business.

Topics to be discussed include types of business entities, accounting methods and periods, books and recordkeeping, Schedule C, self-employment tax, estimated

tax, employment tax, and contract labor issues.

The workshop will be held in room 2315 on the second floor of the downtown post office building at 341 Pine in Abilene on Tuesday, Oct. 8, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information contact Frank Ward or Linda Creswell at 915-676-5700.

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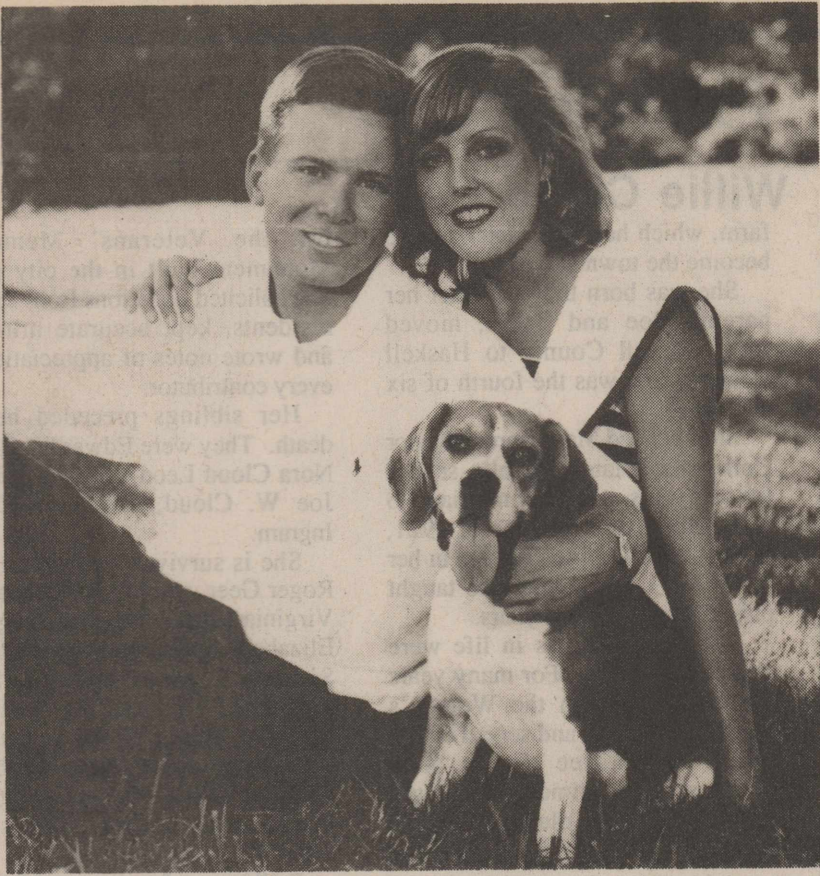
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JON SIMS — ALISON HODGIN

Hodgin, Sims announce engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Garry Warren Hodgin of Abilene have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Alison Brooke Hodgin, to Jon Michael Sims. He is the son of the Rev. and Mrs. Samuel J. Sims of Big Spring.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mrs. Lillian Hodgin of Haskell and the late W. Chester Hodgin and Mrs. Minnie Regeon Elmore of Abilene and the late Rev. L.D. Regeon.

The prospective groom is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. John Hardy of Perryton and the late Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Sims of Roswell, N.M.

The wedding will be Dec. 15 at Logsdon Chapel on the campus of Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene.

Miss Hodgin is a graduate of Cooper High School in Abilene and is a senior interdisciplinary studies major at Hardin-Simmons University. She is currently doing her student teaching at Austin Elementary School and is employed as a swim instructor by the Young Men's Christian Association.

Mr. Sims was graduated from Big Spring High School and is a senior physical education major at Hardin-Simmons University. He is currently doing his student teaching with the Wylie Independent School District and is employed by T. Cooper's.

Scholarship program seeks students

America's National Teen-Ager Scholarship Program is celebrating 26 years of helping teenage girls obtain college educations. They are seeking teenage girls between 13 and 18 years old, to enter the West Texas Scholarship Program.

The West Texas Scholarship Finals are hosted by Wayland Baptist University in Plainview, on Saturday, March 22. Over \$400,000 in scholarships will be awarded on stage during the final program.

The Senior and Junior Division award winners each receive a \$500 cash scholarship, college scholarships and will participate in the Texas State Finals at Baylor University, June 13-14, 1997 as part of their prize package.

The 50 state winners will meet in Nashville to compete for national prizes, which include a \$10,000 and \$5,000 cash scholarship, a trip to Hawaii and tour of the United States. Each state award winner will also be eligible to audition for Opryland, U.S.A.

Students are judged on their scholastic achievement, communication and leadership skills, and overall poise/personality. There is no swimsuit or physical fitness competition.

College bound teen girls wishing to enter should send a postcard with their name, address, telephone number, age, grade level and grade point average (GPA) to America's National Teen-Ager, 2557 Meadowlake, Abilene, TX 79606.

Children, like animals, use their senses to discover the world. Then artists come along and discover it the same way all over again.

—Eudora Welty

Parents play vital role in toddler's learning

Parents play a vital role in the child's total learning process—cognitive development—and in particular, the child's interest and ability in talking.

Including the child in daily routines, talking with them about what is happening and asking them questions, all help the child begin to accomplish the most difficult and important of all their developmental tasks—talking. As parents and caregivers read books, make up stories, take children on outings (parks, zoos, stores, libraries) provide a variety of things to manipulate and play with (dolls, plastic dishes, old clothes and purses to "pretend") they stimulate the child's communication skills.

The way parents talk to their children influences the child's development. Many parents talk "to" their children, giving a lot of directions with "do's" such as "pick up your toys;" or directions with "don'ts," such as "don't leave your book there;" and refusals, such as "not now." This type of talk also includes a lot of teaching new knowledge "this is shaped like a square" and asking questions like "what color is this?" It's good to

talk "to" children, but much more effective to talk "with" children.

Parents talk "with" children when they match their comments and discussion to the children's questions and activities. This may include continuing the topic the child has introduced or introducing a new topic based on the interest of the child. When an adult talks with the child, she shows that she cares about his interests, experiences and needs and that she wants to learn more about them. The adult can initiate such a conversation by using conversational openers like, "What do you want to do with that stick?" or "Tell me about your visit to the farm," or "You seem rather tired." Convey real acceptance when talking with children.

Talking with and listening to children helps them gain confidence and raises their self esteem. They realize that what they have to say is important and that they are worth being listened to and responded to. Parents should keep their comments positive, affirming and encouraging.

Submitted by Lou Gilly, Haskell Co. Ext. Agent-FCS.

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Hospital volunteers honored at ceremony

Haskell County Auxiliary was honored with a luncheon on Friday, Sept. 13, at the Burkett Cafe. Betty Martin, representing Bill Neimer from the hospital, expressed appreciation to the members for their work and machines which had been purchased for the hospital.

Melba Pharr awarded the following service pins and bars to members:

E.C. Collins-1025 hours and he also received a Thrift Store Manager tag; Jenny Collins-800 hours and service bar as well as past president and director's bar; Ruby Martin-950 hours; Debbie Kreger-600 hours; Don Kreger-100 hours; Oleta Cornelius-600 hours; Marie Culberth-600 hours; Clara Tibbets

Gholson and Alma Counts-200 hours; Charles Swenson-800 hours and 850 shaves. He received a bar stating Volunteer Haskell Memorial Hospital. His wife Latrice was recognized also as a new member of the Auxiliary as were Alma and Travis Solomon.

Following the presentation of awards, the meeting was adjourned. Present were Melba Pharr, E.L. Pharr, Betty Martin, Ruby Martin, Debbie Kreger, Oleta Cornelius, Jenny Collins, E.C. Collins, Clara Tibbets Gholson, Charles Swenson, Latrice Swenson, Travis Solomon, Alma Soloman, Marie Culberth, Nancy Matthews, and Joyce Jones.

Births

Proud parents, Russ and Heather Flanary of Rule, want to announce the birth of a daughter, Taylor Elaine, on Sept. 6 at Abilene Regional Medical Center. Taylor weighed 8 lbs., 8.6 ozs. and was 21 inches long.

Grandparents are Gene and Cinda Flanary of Sagerton and Ann and Charles Brumley of Seymour.

Great-grandparents are Isabell Flanary of Haskell, Herbert and Ruth Williams of Rule, Mae Brumley, and Buddy and JoAnn Marshall of Sand Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Chad Lundy of Tulsa, Ok., announce the birth of their son, Canyon Chad, on Sept. 19, 1996 in St. Frances Hospital, Tulsa. He weighed 7 pounds and was 18-1/2 inches long.

Canyon was welcomed by brothers Koty and Keifer.

His grandparents are Coe and Suzy McElmurry of Odessa and the late Lt. Col. James Lundy, Gary and Norma Francis of Atlanta and Dave and Diane Rhodes of Tulsa.

Great grandparents are Rex and Almo McElmurry of Miller, Mo; Avo Lundy of Eufala, Ok.; the late Glen Lundy; Lois Redwine of Odessa; and the late Charley Redwine.

Weinert FCE club expresses thanks

The Weinert FCE Club would like to express thanks to the Highway Department workers for mowing the two-mile roadside grass. The work made the Sept. 28 cleanup a lot easier. Special thanks goes to Kahiti and Lester Hutchinson, Toby Yates, Alice Yates, Jonita Felty, and Erlinda Mayfield. The assistance was appreciated. Weinert Homecoming will be October 4 and 5.

Submitted by Estalynn Liles, Weinert FCE Club president

Obituaries

Willie Cloud Geer



WILLIE CLOUD GEER

RULE—Services were held for Willie Cloud Geer, 95, of Rule on Wednesday, Oct. 2, at the First Baptist Church in Rule with the Rev. J. R. Williams, Dr. Troy Culpepper, and John Greeson officiating. Burial was at the Rule Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Robison Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Geer died Monday, Sept. 30, at her home. She was born in September 1901 on the family

farm, which her father later sold to become the town site of Rule.

She was born the year after her parents, Joe and Sallie, moved from Coryell County to Haskell County. She was the fourth of six children.

She attended Mary Hardin-Baylor College and taught public school for two years. After her marriage to John Elbert Geer in June of 1921, she held kindergarten classes in her home for 3 years. She also taught public school for two years.

Her two priorities in life were church and family. For many years she held office in the Women's Missionary Union and served on the pulpit committee for a new minister several times. She taught Sunday School classes for 70 consecutive years for which she received denominational recognition. She read the Bible through annually and directed vacation Bible school.

She loved farming. Willie had been an honorary member of Delta Kappa Gamma for 50 years. She was also a devoted member of the Philadelphian Study Club. In 1985 she was named Rule Citizen of the Year. At age 90, she was secretary

for the Veterans' Memorial Monument built in the city park. She solicited donations from former residents, kept accurate minutes, and wrote notes of appreciation to every contributor.

Her siblings preceded her in death. They were Edward J. Cloud, Nora Cloud Leon, Henry J. Cloud, Joe W. Cloud, and Ruth Cloud Ingram.

She is survived by her son, Jon Roger Geer, and his wife, Patsy, of Virginia Beach, Va.; her daughter, Elizabeth Spain, and her husband, Sidney, of Tyler; three grandchildren, Stephen Spain of Midland, Roger Spain of Lufkin, and Carolyn Johns and her husband, Andy, of Mansfield; and one great-grandchild Joseph Johns of Mansfield.

Pallbearers for the service were Pete Kittley, Wallace Allison, Kenny Tanner, Jerry Saffel, L.W. "Doc" Jones, Jr., A.D. May, Howard Brass, and Malcolm Hertenberger.

Memorials may be sent to the First Baptist Church, Box 146, Rule, Texas 97547, to the Philadelphian Study Club in Rule, or the donor's favorite charity.

Riley H. Pittman

RAYMORE, MO.—Services were held for Dr. Riley H. Pittman, 85, of Raymore, Mo. and formerly of Haskell, Wednesday, Sept. 23, 1996 at Raymore Christian Church.

Dr. Pittman died Monday, Sept. 21, at his home at Foxwood Springs Living Center in Raymore. He was born August 8, 1911 in Belton, the second of six children of R.F. and Emma Pittman. He was raised in Haskell. After earning an undergraduate degree at Texas Christian University, he was graduated with advanced degrees from the Brite College of Bible at TCU, the University of Chicago, and the University of Southern California.

He served as an active churchman and minister in numerous towns in west Texas, southern California,

central Iowa, northern Illinois, and central and western Missouri. He also served as dean of men at TCU; associate minister of the Huntington Park Christian Church, Huntington, Ca.; professor of religion and undergraduate studies at Drake University; executive director of the Illinois Commission on Human Relations; and head of the department of sociology and anthropology at C.M.S.U. in Warrensburg, Mo.

He is survived by his wife, Janet Pittman of Raymore, Mo.; daughter, Janet Irving of Bonner Springs, Ks.; son, Mark Pittman of Lexington, Ky; brother, Roy Pittman and sister, Virginia Pittman, both of Haskell; and sister, Anna Lee McClintock of Clyde.

Memorial contributions may be made to Foxwood Springs Living Center, Raymore, Mo. 64083.

Marlo Eugene Abila, Sr.

RANGER—Services were held for Marlo Eugene Abila, Sr., 46, of Ranger, and formerly of Haskell, on Friday, September Sept. 27, at the St. George Catholic Church in Haskell with Father Michael Melcher officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home Directors of Haskell. A Rosary was held on Thursday at the funeral home.

Mr. Abila died Monday, Sept. 23, in an Abilene hospital. He was born in January 1950 in Ranger. He married Blanca Estella Rodriguez in May of 1969 in Knox City. He attended Kansas College to obtain certification as an engineer and a rail car inspector and was employed by National Rail Car, Inc. for 21 years. He had been a resident of Ranger for 23 years and was a

member of Saint Rita's Catholic Church in Ranger.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Ramona Zarnora Abila, and one sister, Carmen Abila.

Survivors include his wife Estella Abila of Ranger; two sons, Mario Eugene Abila, Jr. of Knox City and Alfredo Ramon Abila of Ranger; three daughters, Alma Abila Archer, Teresa Renee Abila, and Carmen de Jesus Abila, all of Ranger; his father, Eugene Abila of Haskell; three sisters, Eva Jimenez and Gualupe (Lupita) Abila, both of Haskell, and Sylvia Saucedo of Rochester; four brothers, Oscar Abila of Abilene, Johnny Abila, Arthur Abila, and Henry (Benny) Abila, all of Haskell; and six grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be made to the donor's favorite charity.

Young Homemakers get acquainted

The Haskell Young Homemakers Get-Acquainted meeting was held September 9 at the First National Bank Building.

Hostesses were officers Michelle Dunnam, Jacklyn Wheatley, Laurie Irby, Rhonda Hanson, and Michele Copeland.

Others present at the meeting were Tina Adams, Donna Waggoner, Kim Bassett, Deanne Morgan, Dalyn Griffith, Amanda Hadaway, and Tracy Frierson.

The next meeting will be Monday, Oct. 7, at East Side Baptist Church fellowship hall at 7 p.m. with a pizza party. Everyone needs to bring a white, pocketless t-shirt to decorate. Hostesses will be Laurie Irby and Michele Copeland.

Melanie Michaels was awarded the Young Homemaker Scholarship. Tina Adams won the door prize.

Submitted by Michele Copeland

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Bill Hester
County Commissioner
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Haskell County, Texas 40-41c

I would like to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to all of you, who have blessed me with cards, flowers, gifts, food, phone calls and visits, while I have been recuperating from my accident.

God bless you all,
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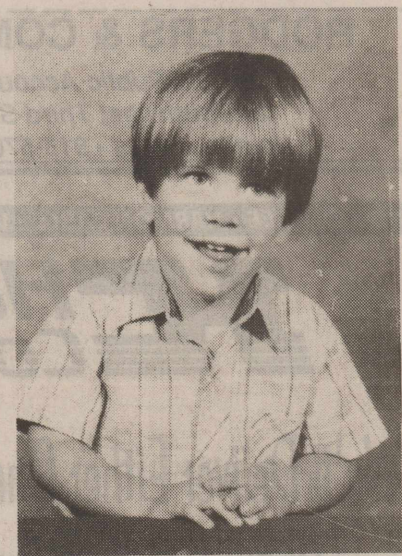
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FCE officers installed



FCE OFFICERS

These ladies were installed as the 1996-97 FCE (Family and Community Education) County Council officers during the annual FCE Information Day held on September 18. They are Joetta Burnett-TAFCE chairman, Dolores Medford-TAFCE vice-chairman, Lennie Ruth Blankenship-council treasurer, Kathryn Schonerstedt-council secretary, Betty Sanders-council vice-chairman, and Lena Tidwell-council chairman.

Local ladies attend state convention

Haskell County Family Community Education (FCE) club members were welcomed by District 5 FCE members and the state board at the 69th annual state convention held September 10-12 at the Harvey Convention Center in Tyler.

Representing our county as delegates were Joetta Burnett-TAFCE chairman from Homespun Club; Dolores Medford-TAFCE vice-chairman from Homespun Club; Lena Tidwell-vice-chairman of council from Homespun Club; and Kathryn Schonerstedt, member from Weinert Club.

The 1996 TAFCE annual convention with 808 attending closed Thursday night with a banquet, installation of officers, and entertainment.

Submitted by Dolores Medford, reporter

Philadelphian Club observes Federation Day

Federation Day was observed by the Rule Philadelphian Club with an 8:30 a.m. breakfast to begin the 1996-97 year.

President Orheana Greeson called the meeting to order, and members were reminded of Rule Jubilee and also of the TFWC District fall board meeting to be held in the First Baptist Church of Clyde on Oct. 5 at 8:30 a.m.

The October 17 meeting will be held at the regular time of 2 p.m. with guests Roy Don Wilson and Brandy Gardner as guest speakers on the "Bob White Brigade," dealing with conservation.



OPHELIA NEWSOM - LENA TIDWELL

Club Woman, Rookie named by FCE Club

Ophelia Newsom of Rochester was named 1995-1996 Club Woman of the Year and Lena Tidwell of Haskell was named Rookie of the Year by the Family and Community Education Club during their annual Club Information day September 18.

Ophelia is a charter member of the Eager Housewives Extension Homemakers Club which has recently changed its name to the Homespun Family and Community Education Club. She has been a member of her current club for 15 years.

In 1947 she joined the Veteran's Wives Home Demonstration Club and was a member of that club for a few years.

She has served in several leadership positions including secretary/treasurer, vice-president, president, and alternate council delegate as well as regular council delegate. During her 15 years as a member, she has helped both her club and the county organization with many worthwhile activities and fund raisers.

Ophelia is an active member of the United Methodist Church in Rochester where she is a life member and serves on the administrative board. In past years she was a choir member and Sunday school teacher.

Before retiring, she had worked at the Drug Store in Rochester and at Ben Franklin and the Hayloft in Haskell.

She enjoys making craft items, baking, sewing, and taking care of her grandchildren.

Ophelia and her husband, Grady, have three children, Tommie Glenn Newsom, Sandra Kay (Newsom) Faulks, and Betty Lea (Newsom) Michaels. They have six grandchildren, Cody Glenn and Brandon Thomas Newsom, Ronnie Kyle and wife Jill Faulks, Amanda Kay (Faulks) Sanders and her husband, Cully, Melanie Lea and Stephen Kyle Michaels.

To be eligible for the Club Woman of the Year award, a member must have been a club

member for five years, must have been a council member and officer in her club, and must be an active member who possesses leadership qualities.

Ophelia was presented with a special engraved tray in recognition of this honor.

Lena Tidwell, named Rookie of the Year, joined the Eager Housewives Extension Homemakers Club, now the Homespun Family and Community Education Club, four years ago and has been an active member since.

She has served as her club's vice-president and also served on the county council's education and recreation committees. For the past two years she has served as the county council's vice-chairman and will lead the council as chairman for the next two years. This year Lena was one of the delegates to the State Family and Community Education meeting held in Tyler.

Besides being an active FCE club member, she has also served as a 4-H volunteer leader and has received the 4-H Clover award.

Lena is an active member of the East Side Baptist Church where she serves as an alternate and substitute Sunday School teacher. She also serves on several committees in her church. In the past she has been a vacation Bible school teacher.

Before retiring, she worked as a salesperson and as an elementary school lunchroom worker as well as owning a laundry business.

She is a homemaker who loves to sew, cook, and be a Nana. She enjoys going to craft shows, traveling in her RV, and doing anything that is fun.

Lena and her husband, Bobby, have two children, Diane Kirkham and David Tidwell, and three grandchildren, Jennifer Josselet, Joanne Josselet, and Austin Tidwell.

To be eligible for Rookie of the Year, a member must have been an active club member for at least two years and no more than four years.

Lena was presented a FCE club pin in recognition of this honor.

FHA officers introduced

The Haskell chapter of Future Homemakers of America had their first meeting of the year on Friday, Sept. 27. The new officers of the executive council were introduced and performed a skit about teamwork.

The FHA class president of each class is on the executive council. These officers are Tamiaka Ware-president; Bridgett Silvas-vice-president; Zac McGuire-reporter; Katie Tompson-treasurer; Justin Tidrow-treasurer; and Zac McGuire and Katie Thompson-co-chairmen of recreation.

President Ware told the group about planned activities such as a seatbelt awareness program, a bike safety program, and Y.E.S., or youth exchanging with seniors.

She reminded members that the group would be attending a FHA workshop in Olney on Sept. 30 and that 45 members had signed up to go.

Lori McDermett and Chris Acosta won door prizes provided by Mrs. Thompson.

The following articles were written by the reporter of each class.

1st period: The first period Life Skills and Management class voted for FHA officers. The president is Katie Thompson, vice-president is Jessica Miller, secretary is Crystal Ledbetter, treasurer is Jennifer Smith, and the reporter is Bergen Peiser.

2nd period: The 7th grade selected Justin Tidrow as president, Bryce Hudgens as vice-president, Dustin Keith as treasurer, Kevin Wallace as secretary, and Travis Poete as reporter.

The 3rd period voted for 7th grade officers of Zac McGuire as president, Daniel Mendoza as vice-president, Cliff McGuire as treasurer, Loren Cole as secretary, and Derek Hughes as reporter.

4th period: Tamiaka Ware was elected president, Jenny Brzozowski was vice-president, Sarah Gibbs was secretary, Misty Silvas was treasurer, and Freddie Kingsberry was reporter.

7th period: The comprehensive home economics class chose Bridgett Silvas as president; Meg McManamon as vice-president; Angela Craig as treasurer; Emily Walling as secretary, and Misty Rodela as reporter.

Submitted by Katie Thompson, reporter

FCE clubs hold Information Day Sept. 18

Haskell County Family Community and Education Clubs, consisting of Weinert, Homespun, and Josselet, met on September 18 at the Haskell National Bank Community Room for their annual information day.

Jane Smith, chairman, presided over the meeting which featured reports from delegates who went to the TAFCE state convention in Tyler.

Ophelia Newsom, president of the Homespun Club, gave a summary of club achievements for the 1996 year, as did Estalynn Liles, president of the Weinert Club, and Margaret Jones, president of the Josselet Club.

Installation of council officers from Alice Yates was given to Lena Tidwell-chairman; Betty Sanders-vice-chairman; Kathryn Schonerstedt-secretary; Lennie Ruth Blankenship-treasurer; Joetta Burnett-TAFCE chairman; Dolores Medford-TAFCE vice chairman and reporter.

Estalynn Liles and Lou Gilly made the presentation of the Club Woman of the Year for 1996 to Ophelia Newsom of the Homespun Club. They also presented the Rookie of the Year for 1996 to Lena Tidwell of the same club.

Betty Lacey catered the lunch which was followed by poetry read by John Allen Medford.

Submitted by Dolores Medford

Noah Project committee to meet

The Noah Project-North advisory committee will hold their monthly meeting at the East Side Baptist Church Friday, Oct. 11, at noon. Everyone is invited.

TAX PLANNING

Written By
Richard E. Rodgers, CPA



TAX LAW CHANGES INCLUDED IN RECENT LEGISLATION

During the first week of August, Congress hurriedly passed several pieces of legislation and then recessed for the summer. The bills included a small business tax bill and health insurance reform. The centerpiece of the small business bill is a provision increasing the expensing election for equipment purchases made by small businesses. Currently, businesses can deduct up to \$17,500 of equipment costs in the year of purchase. That limit will be raised to \$18,000 in 1997 and then gradually increased to \$25,000 by 2003.

The bill increases the minimum wage to \$4.75 effective October 1, 1996, with an additional increase to \$5.15 scheduled for September 1, 1997.

A group of expired tax breaks were extended by the bill. Some of the rules that apply to S corporations will change, including an increase in the number of shareholders allowed.

The bill also delays for six months the effective date for full implementation of the requirement that businesses make federal tax deposits electronically. Employers who deposited more than \$50,000 in taxes in 1995 were scheduled to begin electronic deposits by January 1, 1997. That deadline has been moved to July 1, 1997.

Beginning in 1997, deductible IRA contributions of up to \$2,000 will be allowed for each spouse (including a homemaker who does not work outside the home) if the combined compensation of both spouses is at least equal to the contributed amount and the contributions otherwise qualify.

The health insurance reform bill increases the amount that self-employed individuals can deduct for the cost of health insurance. The current 30% deduction limit increases to 40% in 1997 and then gradually increases to 80% by 2006.

Tax breaks are provided to encourage the purchase of long-term care insurance, and the bill also establishes a four-year pilot project to test tax-deductible medical savings accounts.

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SCHOOL

School sets Open House October 7

The public is invited to an open house at the Haskell Secondary School from 6 to 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 7.

The school will have a regular day bell schedule, and parents will be able to walk with their child through his or her daily routine. School officials encourage parents to be at their child's first period class at 6 p.m. and take advantage of this opportunity to meet his or her teachers to ask any questions.

Refreshments will be served in the auditorium foyer at 7 p.m.

A public forum in the auditorium will follow in which everyone will be given an opportunity to be informed about the Haskell Consolidated independent School District.



ADVANCE TO STATE—Haskell twirlers participated in UIL twirling contest Saturday. Pictured are Hilee Mulligan, Shannon Jordan, Reena Harris and Amber Futch. Not shown are Shelly Palacios, Vanessa Miller and Missy Teague.

Twirlers advance to state competition

The Haskell High School twirlers participated in the UIL Music Region 2 Twirling Contest here on Saturday. Twirling trio of Shelly Palacios, Shannon Jordan, and Vanessa Miller received a Division I rating and advanced to the state competition. The twirling quartet of Missy Teague, Amber Futch, Reena Harris, and Hilee Mulligan also received a Division I rating and advanced to the state competition. Hilee Mulligan received a Division I rating on her solo. The state competition is in May 1997.

On September 21 the twirlers competed in the West Texas Auxiliary Championships at Lubbock Coronado High School. Reena Harris and Hilee Mulligan received Division I medals for their solos. Missy Teague, Amber Futch, Reena Harris, and Hilee Mulligan received a Division I

medal for their quartet.

The following junior high twirlers helped with the concession stand: Kristi Christian, Audra Arendall, and Bergen Peiser. Teresa New supervised the stand during the contest.

Submitted by Michael Copeland, band director

Haskell School Menu

Oct. 7-11
Breakfast

Juice or fruit and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.

Monday: Cereal and donut

Tuesday: Breakfast burrito

Wednesday: Waffles/syrup

Thursday: Biscuit/gravy and sausage

Friday: Blueberry muffins

Lunch

A choice of baked potato with choice of topping or salad bar plus milk and tea are offered daily at the High School. Milk and juice are served daily at the Elementary School.

Monday: Fajitas, pinto beans, sauteed onions/peppers, brownie

Tuesday: Lasagna, buttered corn, cole slaw, buttered hot rolls, diced pears

Wednesday: Chili dog, curly fries, carrot sticks, pudding dessert

Thursday: Sliced turkey/gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, buttered hot rolls, fruit salad

Friday: Hamburger, French fries, hamburger trimmings, Indian cake

Boys cross country team places 1st

The Haskell Cross Country team ran at Anson last Saturday. The High School boys team dominated the meet, taking 1st place with 39 points. Roby placed 2nd with 67 points.

The boys ran a 3-mile course. Matthew McCord won the meet with a time of 18:15, Bobby Ortiz placed 5th, and Gava Ortiz placed 6th. The boys have run well this year.

The Haskell girls also ran, placing 5th over all. Rosalinda Gonzales continued her winning streak by taking first place with a time of 13:12.

The next meet will be in Haskell on October 5.

Submitted by Sandy Williamson, coach of Cross Country Runners.

12 attend Partners for Children meeting

Partners for Children met Tuesday, Sept. 24, at the Elementary Cafeteria. The night's topic was Traits of a Healthy

Family.

Twelve parents attended the meeting to discuss the characteristics they believed important to raising healthy families. Small group discussion was beneficial, and children's books were used to illustrate such characteristics as the importance of individuality in families and the importance of family roots and heritage. Each parent created an important book of the traits of the healthy family.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, Oct. 8, at 7 p.m. at the Elementary Cafeteria. The topic will be Creating Meaning in the Family Relationship.

This will be the last meeting in this series, and door prizes will be awarded. October 22 will begin the second series of Developing Trust Within Families. These meetings are not just for elementary parents. Parents of junior high and high school students are needed to come and share with the group.

Everything that is done in the world is done by hope.

—Martin Luther

Paint Creek School Menu

Oct. 7-11
Breakfast

Milk and juice are served daily.

Monday: Breakfast burritos

Tuesday: Cereal

Wednesday: Toast with jelly

Thursday: Muffins

Friday: Donuts

Lunch

Milk is served daily.

Monday: Pizza, whole kernel corn, salad, Jello with fruit

Tuesday: Fish with tartar sauce, macaroni with cheese, blackeyed peas, fruit, and rolls

Wednesday: Lasagna, green beans, salad, crackers, fruit

Thursday: Bar-b-que on bun, tator tots, pickles, apple cobbler

Friday: Ham, tuna, peanut butter sandwiches, chips, lettuce, cheese, pork-n-beans, pickles, ice cream

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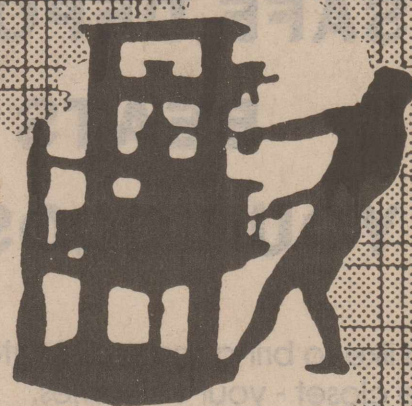
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Monthly Calendar of Events

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Haskell Independent School District

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 Partners for Children PPE Meeting 7 p.m. Elem. Cafeteria Topic: The Primary Role Mode	2	Picture Retakes 7-12 JV Cisco 4:30 There	3 End of 1st Six Weeks Varsity - Cisco 8:00 Here Lions Club Supper 5:00 HS Cafeteria	4 5 HS Band Competes in the Big Country Marching Festival at McMurry
*Denotes District Games	6 Beginning of 2nd Six Weeks	7 High School Open House 6 to 7 p.m.	8 Partners for Children PPE Meeting 7 p.m. Elem. Cafeteria Topic: Creating Meaning in Family	9	10 JV *Olney 4:30 There	11 Varsity *Olney 7:30 Here Prog. Study Club Supper 5:00 HS Cafeteria
12	13	14	15 PSAT Test for Juniors	16	17 JV *Electra 4:30 Here	18 Varsity *Electra 7:30 There
19	20	21 Partners for Children PPE Meeting 7 p.m. Elem. Cafeteria Topic: Communicating Effectively TAAS Exit Retakes	22 TAAS Exit Retakes	23 TAAS Exit Retakes	24 JV *Seymour 4:30 There TAAS Exit Retakes	25 Varsity *Seymour 7:30 Here LULAC Supper 5:30 HS Cafeteria
26	27	28 NO SCHOOL Teacher Workday	29 Plan Test for Soph. CSO TBA	30	31 Halloween JV *Holiday 4:30 There	

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AGRICULTURE

Clif Cobb writes PCA history



R.C. (Clif) Cobb of Stamford, and a former Haskell Countian, just completed a history of the Rolling Plains Production Credit Association. The West Texas Rehabilitation Center in Abilene will publish and distribute the book, entitled *A Credit to Agriculture*, and receive all proceeds.

A few days ago, Mr. Cobb advised that the PCA was formed in Haskell County in 1934 with a

majority of stockholders from here, and its first chairman was R. C. Montgomery of Haskell.

Mr. Cobb began working for PCA in 1939 and worked without

pay for six months during the latter days of the depression in order to learn the necessary skills.

After 47 years, he retired in 1986, experiencing first hand most of the history of the Association.

The title, *A Credit to Agriculture*, conveys the dual meaning that PCA is first an honor to the agricultural credit industry, and is also a lending source to those engaged in agriculture.

The book tells how the Farm Credit System grew out of early 20th century studies of cooperative lending in Denmark, Sweden, and Germany.

One section, devoted to the economics of agriculture, show data on why it continues to be tough "down on the farm."

Stockholders meeting highlights include accounts of unique pictures featuring Rex Allen, Sr., the Gatlin Brothers, Otwell Twins, "The Country Cousins," and Sammy Baugh in a matched roping contest in 1947.

One section covers activities in policy making and legislative matters in which PCA has been involved.

Cobb includes personal observations and opinions interlaced with anecdotes which the current Rehab Center, as it is called, will receive all proceeds of book sales above the publication expense.

Anyone desiring a copy of the book may make a check payable to the WTRC, Abilene, for a donation of \$10 per book. A book or books will be reserved and mailed as soon as they are published about Dec. 1.

The WTRC requests that orders arrive no later than Oct. 21, 1996. Board of Directors and Management wrote that they do not necessarily share. They do say the book may be the only one of its kind ever written and will interest anyone who shares their interest in history, economics, or credit.

Marsha Martin, formerly Vice-president of the Farm Credit Bank in Austin and now Chairman of the Board, Farm Credit Administration in Washington, D.C., has graciously written the foreword.

Mr. Cobb donated his time and effort to writing the book, so the West Texas Rehabilitation Center (WTRC) paid for its publication and distribution. The non-profit

Local ladies attend hospital meeting

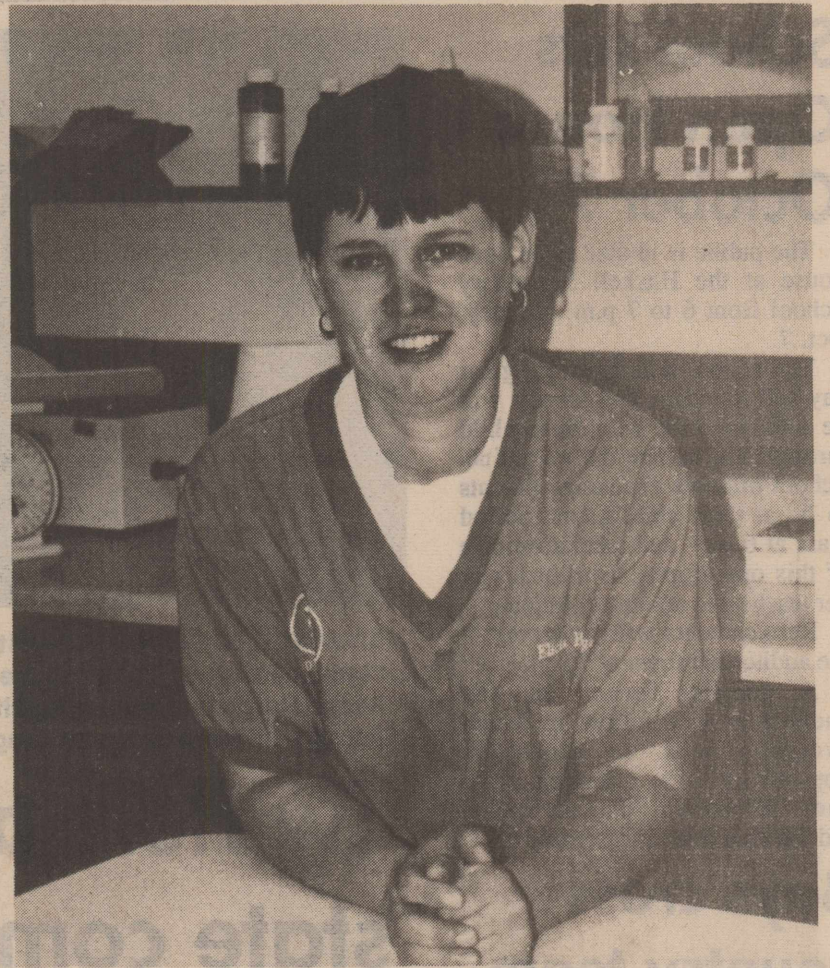
Attending the Texas Association Hospital District 6A/B meeting held recently in Abilene at the Embassy Suites were Melba Pharr, Debbie Kreger, Alma Solomon, and Oleta Cornelius.

A style show was presented by Lin's Dresses and Coordinates and Lin's and Larry's Sportswear of Abilene.

Melba Pharr and Debbie Kreger won two of the door prizes awarded.

Ask your child what he wants for dinner only if he is buying.

—Fran Liebowitz



Lost veterinarian answers to "Mom"

Veterinarian Elicia Hogan is used to posting notices for lost pets, but September 31 marked her first day off from both husband Joey and 5-month old son Jeb.

Joey and Jeb went to Graham to visit family. Mom felt lost, she said, and after just a few hours at home alone, she was asking, "What do I do?"

PCA news

The Rolling Plains PCA is pleased to announce that David Cates will assume the duties of assistant vice president and loan officer in the Stamford branch office October 1, replacing Jeff Robertson who has resigned to farm.

David has extensive agricultural lending experience and has been associated with PCA for 21 years. He came to Rolling Plains from Wichita Falls PCA's Brady Field office. Formerly, he was employed 15 years by Uvalde PCA.

He was graduated from Sul Ross State University with a major in ag-business. He grew up in Menard where his family was involved in stock farming.

He and his wife Helen live near Hamlin. They have one son, Wesley, who has been involved in ag production since graduation from college.

Rolling Plains PCA has 986 borrowing members operating in 25 counties from the top of the Panhandle through the Rolling Plains of Texas. Loan volume normally peaks in December at approximately 90 million dollars. Recently the Association received Tier I PCA recognition for the ninth consecutive year based on financial strength and performance. The Tier I award is presented by the Farm Credit Bank of Texas in Austin. *submitted by PCA Rolling Plains*

Drawing to benefit Noah

The Noah Project-North will have a drawing for a \$100 gift certificate at Wal-Mart October 13.

Tickets will be sold at Wal-Mart Saturdays and Sundays, October 5-6 and 12-13.

Tickets are \$1 or 6 for \$5 and can be bought at Wal-Mart at these two weekends or from any advisory committee member or call 817-864-2551 for information.

Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 1474 head of cattle at its sale on Saturday, Sept. 28, 1996, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

The market was fully steady on all classes.

Cows: fat, .26-.32; cutters, .27-.35; canners, .18-.37.

Bulls: bologna, .38-.43; feeder, .45-.55; utility, .25-.35.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .70-.85; 300-400 lbs., .65-.75; 400-500 lbs., .60-.73; 500-600 lbs., .58-.68; 600-700 lbs., .57-.64; 700-800 lbs., .58-.63; 800-up lbs., .55-.62.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .57-.74; 300-400 lbs., .56-.65; 400-500 lbs., .54-.62; 500-600 lbs., .55-.60; 600 lbs., .48-.59.5.

Bred cows: young to middle aged, \$450-\$600; aged or small, \$350-\$450.

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22—Turner Frierson, 44—Jason Hobgood. Back: 25—Corey Breckel, 73—Michael Rodriguez, 85—Eric Guadalcazar, 82—Jason Briles, 64—Chancey Pogue, 34—Elvis Gonzales, 66—Joseph Andress, 75—Shane Steele.

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150 KIDS climbed on board farm equipment during the County ag day at the Civic Center. Special older PALS helped 3rd through 5th graders see "how they run"

County ag day at Civic Center

The Haskell County Farm Bureau presented "Ag in the Classroom" to county elementary students at the Civic Center Sept. 30.

Along with several community agriculture leaders, students of Project PALS provided mentoring between students of grades 9

through 12 to elementary students of grades two through four.

James Bustamento of PALS spoke to the assembly of about 150 children in the morning. Monday afternoon, the older students demonstrated farm equipment from tractors to haybalers and allowed the

younger students to climb on board.

Haskell was among ten schools selected by a state education steering committee as pilot programs in the state of Texas, the third state to be in the Project PALS program. The program is funded by the National FFA Foundation.

Toddlers must reach milestones

"Toddler" refers to children who are just beginning to walk. While there are wide ranges of normal behavior, toddlers usually walk around the age of 12 to 15 months. In the two-year transition period between their first and third birthdays, toddlers move from infancy to early childhood and learn many new skills.

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- Learning simple problem solving
- Feeding themselves
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beings, and will alternate between showing off their newfound independence and acting like babies. Parents play an important role in encouraging their independence, but realize that they are separate human

most importantly is being there to provide frequent, reassuring hugs and warm words of affirmation and love.

Submitted by Lou Gilly, Haskell Co. Ext. Agent-FCS.

Roping

The results of a Jackpot B and an open roping Sunday, Sept. 29 were

First B Roping

1st go-round: 1st-Kenny Spitzer, 2nd-Lanham Bishop

2nd go-round: 1st-Kirk Maberry, 2nd-Kenny Spitzer

3rd go-round: 1st-Lanham Bishop, 2nd-Kirk Maberry

Average: 1st-Steve Ferguson, 2nd-Lanham Bishop

Second B Roping

1st go-round: 1st-Steve Ferguson, 2nd-Lanham Bishop

2nd go-round: 1st-Lanham Bishop, 2nd-Jim Pope

Average: 1st-Lanham Bishop, 2nd-Steve Ferguson

The open ropers had a 4-man matched roping. The overall winner was Brand Cude, winning two matches with Carl Hopkins and Fred Hernandez who each won one match.

SWCD Director to be elected

The Haskell Soil and Water Conservation District will conduct the director election for zone 4 in Haskell County. The election will be held in Sagerton at the community center October 8 at 7 p.m.

The election will be a convention type election. Eligible voters must own agricultural land within the boundaries of Haskell County and live in this county.

Zone 4 includes the area in the southwestern portion of the county (for exact location and copy of map, call 817-864-8516).

To serve as a director, one must own agricultural land within the boundaries of the zone and live in the county. F.A. Ulmer from

Sagerton currently represents zone 4 on the SWCD board of directors.


The SWCD was formed in 1977 to help and serve producers and landowners with technical assistance. The directors meet monthly on the third Friday of each month at 9 a.m. in the Natural Resource Conservation Service office at 1203A South Avenue E in Haskell.

All meetings are open to the public in accordance with the Texas State open meeting law. All programs administered by the district are on a voluntary basis and are provided without regard to race, color, sex, national origin, or disability.

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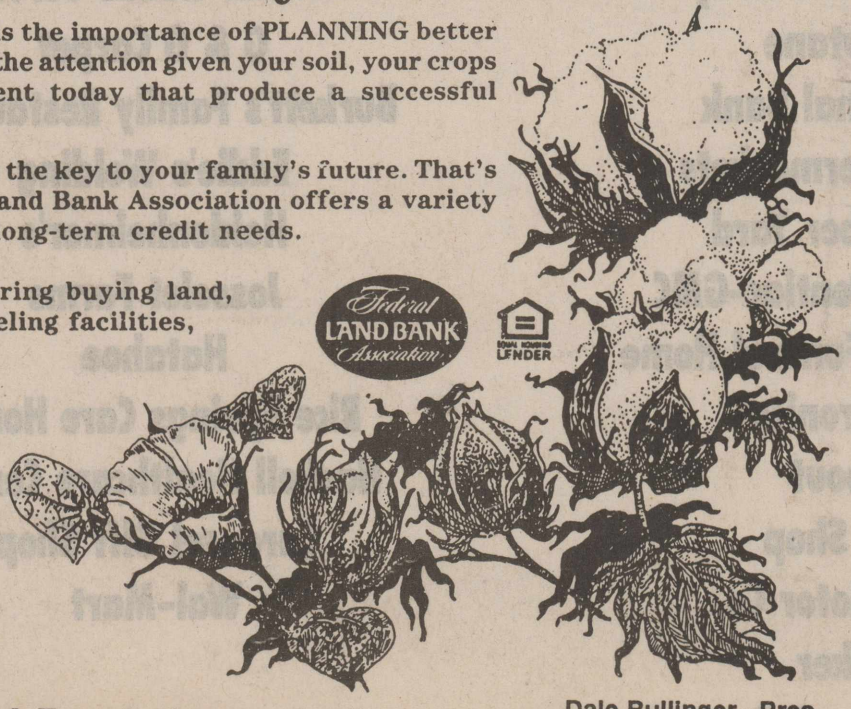
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