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Calendar

PC Boosters Club

The Paint Creek Booster Club will meet Fri., Aug. 15 at 6:30 in the cafeteria. The Pirates will hold an intersquad scrimmage. Watermelon will be served.

Immunization clinic

Immunizations will be given Aug. 21 at the American Legion Hall in Haskell from 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3 p.m. A parent or guardian must accompany a child under 18 years old. A small charge might occur. For information call the Texas Department of Health 915-773-5681.

Salad luncheon/ fashion show

A salad luncheon and fashion show is set Sat., Aug. 23 at 11:30 a.m. at Macias Ballroom sponsored by PALS. Tickets are \$5 and are available at the door or from any youth football player or cheerleader. Fashions will be featured from Heads or Tails Western Wear, Lane-Felker, The Wear House, Hassen's and Personality-Slipper Shoppe.

Season tickets

Haskell Indian football tickets will be on sale soon. Reserve seat tickets for last year's holders will be on sale Aug. 21 through Aug. 28. Tickets will be on sale to the public Aug. 29 through Sept. 5. Tickets are available at the High School Office from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Tickets are \$5 per game or \$25 for the season.

Business breakfast

A business opportunity breakfast will be held Aug. 18 at the Towne Crier Steakhouse, 818 E. Highway 80 in Abilene, beginning at 7 a.m. Focus topic "Marketing Nuts & Bolts: How to Attract and Retain Loyal Customers," will be presented by Ron and Angela Oltmans of Research Associates.

Quilt raffle

A butterfly appliqued quilt made by Helen Cox at age 91 will be raffled by the Haskell Experienced Citizen's Center. The quilt, which is 85 by 98 inches wide, was donated to the ECC and quilted by volunteer ladies at the Center. It will be on display in the window of Country Daizie until Sunday in the Park on Aug. 24, when it will be displayed in the park and given away during a drawing at 4:00 p.m. Tickets for the drawing are \$1.00 each or six for \$5.00. They are available at the ECC or the Country Daizie.

Sunday in the Park

The ninth annual Sunday in the Park is scheduled Sun., Aug. 24 from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Haskell City Park. The special event, sponsored by the City of Haskell and the Chamber of Commerce, enables clubs, organizations, church groups and others to have an opportunity to take advantage of the afternoon to sponsor a fund raising event. Booths are on a first come, first serve basis. Call the Chamber by Fri., Aug. 22 for booth space.

Noah Project

The Noah Project-North Advisory Committee will hold a monthly meeting at the East Side Baptist Church Fri., Aug. 15 at noon. All members are urged to attend to discuss and approve the 1997-98 fiscal year budget.

HGSA Fajita supper

The Haskell Girls Softball Association will sponsor a fajita supper Sept. 5 from 5 to 7:30 p.m. prior to the Haskell-Munday football game in the Haskell High School cafeteria. Meal tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children. Tickets are available at Sport-About, First National Bank, Haskell National Bank, and West Texas Utilities. For more information call 86-3957 or 864-3126.

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NOT JUST HORSEING AROUND—Awesome 'T', the 1997 filly named National Champion Weanling in Non-Pro and open divisions at the National Appaloosa horse show held in Oklahoma City in July, poses with owner Sam Bitner of Haskell, trainer Dave

Parlier of Gainesville, and Miss Appaloosa America. Two other horses owned by Sam and Gayle Bitner were named champions at the show. A display is at the Haskell National Bank.

Rochester expresses thanks to Haskell Co. officers

At the regular meeting of the County Commissioners Court, held Monday, Aug. 1, Judge David Davis read a letter of appreciation from the City of Rochester and their Volunteer Fire Department, for the outstanding efforts of Sheriff Johnny Mills and his deputies during the recent storm cleanup in Rochester.

An Employee Appreciation Dinner for all County employees and their families has been planned

for Aug. 22, to be held in the County Courtroom.

Jeff Gregg of Castagna and Gregg, C.P.A.s, explained the County Commissioner mileage options. There are three options in mileage, 1) flat rate as is being done now, 2) County furnishes a vehicle, and 3) direct reimbursement of up to 31.5 cents per mile.

County Attorney, Bill Jones voiced concern over the accuracy of

the mileage being turned in if option 3 is used. This could be legally covered by having the log notarized.

Bill Hester, Pct. 1, reported the Texas Association of Counties recommends the adoption of a policy whereas any employee who cannot work for a time period of six months after exhausting vacation, sick leaves, personal leave, etc. be replaced. The Court approved the motion to adopt the policy.

Justice of the Peace, Gina Brown, reported that since her budget was cut last year, she is over budget. This is due to her bond budget being cut to zero and her travel budget cut.

Bill Hester, Pct.1, asked for permission to advertise for bids for a used Mack truck, 1987 model or newer.

The State Elevator Inspector has informed the County that the elevator valve has to be replaced within 60 days. The Court approved a contract for repair with Otis Elevator.

Kenny Thompson entered a motion to pay \$999.96 to the Haskell Volunteer Fire Department out of Pct. 3 Rural Truck line item.

State salary supplement for County Judges

Senate Bill 310, recently passed by the 75th Legislature of Texas and effective Sept. 1, 1997, allows a salary supplement for County Judges who meet certain criteria.

An annual supplement of \$5,000 is available to a county judge if at least 40 percent of the functions performed by the judge are judicial functions. The judge must also file an affidavit so stating with the

Office of Court Administration of the Texas Judicial System.

The supplement is paid to the County by the state and is available for two years, Sept. 1, 1997 through Aug. 1, 1998. The payment is made to the County Salary Fund. The County then pays the judge an additional \$416.66 per month salary.

Sailplane contest set Aug. 16-17

The Texas Chiefs model airplane club is hosting a radio controlled sailplane contest Sat. and Sun., Aug. 16 and 17. The competition will begin at 10 a.m. Sat. with a basic event using only rudder and elevator controls. Larger, more advanced unlimited models will compete Sat. afternoon.

Sunday's events will include a special hand launch class as all the other models will be launched by a type of catapult. The contest is for duration and spot landings with

different target times each round. Plaques will be awarded to 3rd place in each event. A pilot's knowledge of thermals is very important to high scores.

Advance entries for the contest have been received from Abilene, Amarillo, and Fort Worth. Spectators are invited to watch the flying at the Haskell Model Airport, 3 miles east of town. Further information may be obtained from Kenny Watson, contest director for the meet.

Duward Campbell Day set

The First Christian Church of Haskell will host "Duward Campbell Appreciation Day" this Sun., Aug. 17, in connection with its monthly potluck dinner. The meal will be immediately following the morning worship service, with a reception following from 1:00 until 2:00. Both services will be held in the church fellowship hall,

and are open to the public.

"We're hoping that Duward's many friends will take this opportunity to let him know how much they admire and appreciate him," said Duty, minister. "If people can't come in person, we hope they'll send him a card or note."

Classic Car Show set in Haskell

The Haskell Volunteer Fire Department will host a classic car show and swap meet Sat., Aug. 23 in downtown Haskell. Trophies will be awarded for first, second and third places in 10 classes.

Classes include 1. Late Great-64, 2. Street Machines, 3. Hot Rods, 4. Older pickups-70, 5. Pickups '71 and up, 6. Cars '65 and up, 7. Antique Cars and Trucks 50 & down, 8. Antique Tractors, 9. Motorcycles and 10. Best of Show (selected by the public).

A Hot Wheels race will be held for the kids. Food will be available. Entry fee is \$15. Late entries made on the day of the show will be \$18.

For more information call Coy Scoggins at 940-864-6104.

ELC could be one step closer

Haskell may be one step closer to ELC calling to the Abilene area due to a decision by the Federal Communications Commission.

The decision was hastened by Texas' U. S. senators and representatives, state legislators, the Public Utility Commission staff, and many aggressive community representatives whose intervention will help solve a telephone calling problem for rural communities all over the nation.

On July 15, the FCC approved two Southwestern Bell interLATA test cases involving Pawnee and Albany exchanges. Once they have PUC approval, an "expanded local calling" (ELC) program will be implemented to provide local instead of long distance service to the other rural communities named in their petition.

The two communities are among 68 Texas ELC cases that have been delayed at the federal level because their petitions involved calling between two LATAs (local access and transport areas).

PUC Commissioners have learned that Southwestern Bell expects to file all remaining 66 limited LATA boundary modification requests with the FCC the week of Aug. 18.

Cities with pending interLATA ELC petitions involving Southwestern Bell in the local area include: Aspermont, Hamlin, and Haskell.

Amendment election results

Haskell County Clerk, Rhonda Moeller, reported a light turnout on Sat. Aug. 9, when voters had the opportunity to vote on the Constitutional Amendment.

Passing in both the county and state-wide polls, the amendment provides school property tax rates, by increasing the residence homestead to \$15,000.00, and provides for transfer of the tax limitation to another equal homestead for persons over 65.

In early voting 59 were for and only one against the measure. Total county vote was 560 for with 25 against. Results at the individual voting locations were as follows:

Box	For	Against
Pct.1	56	5
Pct.2	116	3
Pct.3	56	4
Pct.4	34	0
Rule	51	2
Rochester	55	4
O'Brien	25	3
Weinert	28	3
Paint Creek	38	0
Sagerton	42	0

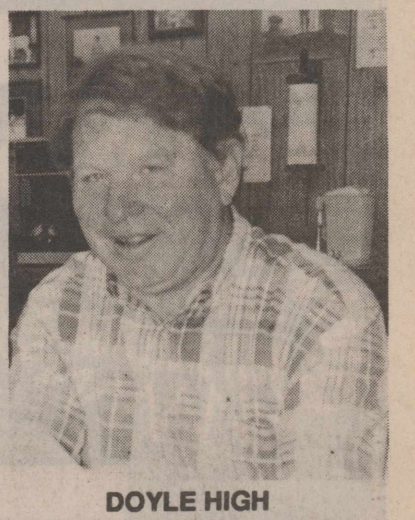
Doyle High named Pharmacist of the Year

Texas Pharmacy Association has announced that Doyle High of Haskell has been named 1997 Pharmacist of the Year. High has owned The Drug Store in Haskell since 1970. He has also served as consultant pharmacist for the Haskell, Aspermont, Stamford, Throckmorton and Albany Hospitals and Rice Springs Care Home.

High is currently chair of the board of PharmPAC, TPA's political action committee, and has served TPA as its honorary president from 1995-1997. He also served as TPA president-elect from 1995-1996.

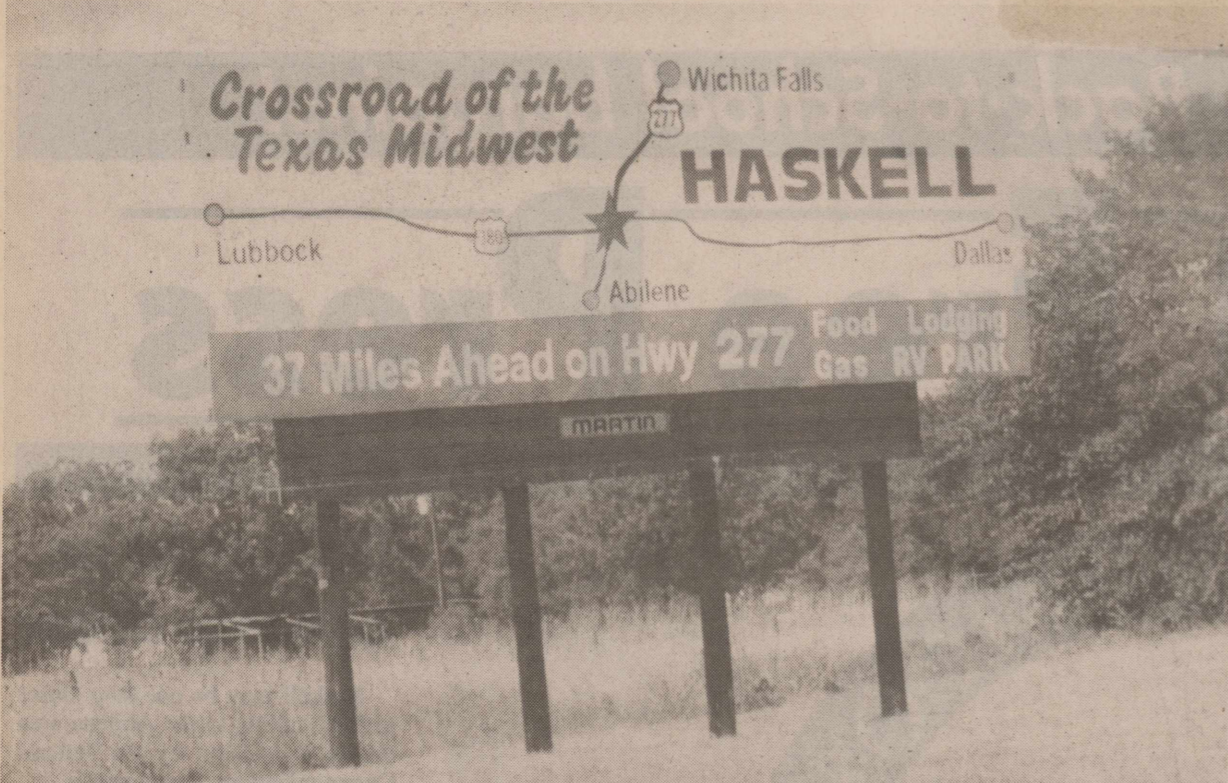
High is a member of the National Association of Retail Druggists, West Texas Pharmaceutical Association, Big Country Pharmaceutical Association, Texas Society of Consultant Pharmacists and Rho Chi, pharmacy honor society. Showing his dedication to his community, High is past president of the Haskell Lions Club and

Haskell Country Club. Other community positions have included serving as director of the First National Bank in Haskell and district director of Girl Scouts, as well as serving on the Chisholm Trail Council of the Boy Scouts. He was named an outstanding alumnus of Southwestern Oklahoma State Pharmacy School in 1987.



DOYLE HIGH

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NEW SIGN STARS HASKELL—Located between Anson and Haskell on the east side of Hwy. 277 the new sign commissioned by the Chamber of Commerce lets people passing by know what's in store ahead. The sign was designed by Ruby Turner, Mary Rike and Jill Druessedow. Chamber President, Dickie Greenwood, hopes all Haskell citizens will watch for the sign which was finished last week.

Haskell Elementary students to register Aug. 19

Registration for all Haskell Elementary students will be Tues., Aug. 19 from 1:00-3:00. Parents are encouraged to attend registration with their child/children so they can meet the teachers and fill out necessary paperwork.

Homeroom lists will be posted

in the following locations on Mon., Aug. 18 at 5:00:

Early Childhood and Prekindergarten—North doors of the new building

Kindergarten, First and Second Grades—Homeroom doors

Third Grade—North doors of the main building

Fourth Grade—East doors of the main building

Fifth Grade—South doors of the main building

Sixth Grade—South doors of the new building

Obituaries

Sylvia Lane Duce

Funeral services for Sylvia Lane Duce, 78, of Rowlett were held Wed., Aug. 8 in Rest Haven Funeral Home in Rockwall Chapel with Dr. Steve Leatherwood officiating. Burial was in Rest Haven Memorial Park under the direction of Rest Haven Funeral Home.

Mrs. Duce died Sun., Aug. 3.

Born July 7, 1919 in Goree, she was raised in Munday and attended Sunset School and North Texas State Teachers College in Denton. She ran the Wagon Wheel Cafe on the south side of the square in Haskell from 1941 to 1944. She lived in Sweetwater from 1945-55 when she moved to Dallas. She was the owner/operator of the Four Duce Ranch in Detroit. She was a member of the Santa Gertrudis Breeders International, Possum Hollow Sewing Club, Lakewood Country Club in Dallas, and Paris Golf and Country Club in Paris.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Noah and Luphia Lane; a daughter, Cheryl Lane Duce; brothers, Bill and Bud Lane; and a sister, Gerry Frierson.

Survivors include her former husband, Mack D. Duce of Dallas; one son, Andy J. Duce of Plainview; one daughter, Gayla Duce-Perry of Rowlett; two brothers, Jack and Kenneth Lane, both of Haskell; and 5 grandchildren, Codye Mack Perry "Special Buddy" of Rowlett, Joshua Lane Duce of Clarksville, Michael Joe Perry of Corsicana, and LNCPL Gregory Edward Perry and PRC Christopher Shawn Perry, both of Camp Lelune.

Pallbearers were Jerry Allen, Lester Johnson, Joshua Duce, Gary Lane, Porter Griggs and John Hainer. Honorary pallbearer was Codye Mack Perry.

Memorials may be made to Kids Kingdom, P. O. Box 1902, Rowlett, TX 75030.

Betty J. Schuermann

Funeral services for Betty JoAnn Schuermann, 65, of Woodward, Okla. were held Sat., Aug. 9 at the East Side Baptist Church in Haskell with Rev. David Page and Kenneth Blair, minister, officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Schuermann died Thurs., Aug. 7 following a brief illness.

Born Sept. 29, 1931 in Haskell, she was the daughter of Thomas and Nellie Bird. She married Billy Wayne Holmes of Rochester in 1949. He preceded her in death in 1954. She lived in Haskell until 1963, when she moved to Guymon, Okla. She married Eldon Lee Schuermann on May 14, 1976 in Clayton, N.M. They made their home in Guymon until 1976 when they moved to Woodward, Okla. She was a member of the

First Baptist Church in Woodward.

She was preceded in death by a son, David Wayne Holmes in 1971 and her father, Thomas Bird in 1984.

Survivors include her husband, Eldon Lee Schuermann; her mother, Nellie Bird of Haskell; two daughters, Joan Johnson of Goodwell, Okla., and Lisa Ann Pettyjohn of Enid, Okla.; three sons, Billy Holmes and Douglas Holmes both of Beaver, Okla., and Tracy Schuermann of Woodward, Okla.; two step-daughters, Cheryl Wright of New Kirk, Okla. and Janis Gee of Perryton; two brothers, Tommy Bird and Wallace Bird, both of Haskell; two sisters, Marie Solomon of Monahans and Sue Smith of Goodwell, Okla.; 22 grandchildren, 9 great grandchildren and lots of nieces, nephews and loved ones.

Memorials may be made to any Hospice.

Betty Jo Helton Rudd

Funeral services for Betty Joe Helton Rudd, 69, of Haskell were held Sun., Aug. 10 at First Christian Church with Dusty Garrison, minister, officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Rudd died Sat., Aug. 9 at her home.

Born July 27, 1928 in Blanket, she had been a baker for over 20 years. She married Chester H. Rudd Jan. 29, 1951 in Carlsbad, N.M. He preceded her in death Jan. 2, 1996. She was a member of First Christian Church in Haskell.

Survivors include two step-daughters, Shirley Brabbin of Garland and Irene Thornton of Goldsboro, N.C.; two step-sons, Johnny and Ernest Rudd, both of Daingerfield; two sisters, Loree Alcorn of Cheyenne, Wyo. and Maude Carter of Rule; three nephews; four nieces including Priscilla Horn of Bedford, Cathy Roman of Midland, and Cindy Herington of Lawrenceville, GA.; 6 grandnephews; 7 grandnieces and one great grandnephew.

Memorials may be made to First Christian Church, 107 N. Ave. F, Haskell, TX 79521 or Hospice of the Big Country.

Rufus M. Schmidt

Funeral services for Rufus Milton Schmidt, 74, of Haskell were held Tues., Aug. 12 at the Trinity Lutheran Church with Pastor Gary Bruns officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Schmidt died Sunday in an Abilene hospital.

Born in Belton in 1923, he served in the U. S. Army during World War II. He married Elvira Wolsch on April 6, 1947 in Sagerton. He was self-employed as a farmer for 50 years. He was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Aileen Schmidt.

Survivors include his wife, Elvira Schmidt of Haskell; three sons, Alvin Schmidt of Canyon, Milton Schmidt of Fort Worth and Derrel Schmidt of Wills Point; one daughter, Edith Schmidt Leek of Haskell; two brothers, Valton Schmidt and Edgar Schmidt, both of Stamford; four grandchildren, Lisa, Laramie, Benjamin and Emily Schmidt.

Pallbearers were Steve Schmidt, Laramie Schmidt, Kenneth Carlton, Eddie Klose, Eddie Wolsch, and John Paul Leek.

Honorary pallbearers were Herbert Havert, Elton Klose, Dewey Rister, Jesse Sanchez, Albert Hoppe, Jamie Wolsch, Jerry Burgess and Weldon Leek.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

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MRS. RICK APPLING

Porter, Appling wed in Marble Falls

Ford Memorial Chapel of First Baptist Church in Lubbock was the setting for the August 8 wedding of Misty Porter and Rick Appling. Officiating at the ceremony was Max Copeland, of Marble Falls, great uncle of the bride.

The bride's parents are Kim and Cindy Porter of Petersburg. She is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. C.A. Thomas, Jr. Parents of the groom are Richard and Nancy Appling of Amarillo.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white gown of Georgette shantung which was heavily embroidered, and decorated with pearls and crystal sequins. She carried a bouquet of La Guana roses and Queen Anne's lace.

Sister of the bride, Skye Porter of Abilene, was Maid of Honor.

She wore a black floor length dress and carried a bouquet of La Guana roses, hot pink mini carnations and purple statice.

Best Man was Dave Fillman of Houston. Ushers were Corey Reneau of Weatherford, Oklahoma, and C. A. Thomas III of Wichita Falls, uncle of the bride.

Music for the ceremony was performed by pianist/composer Doug Smith. Soloists were Steve and Sarah Moore.

The bride is a graduate of Southwestern State University. She is employed as a pharmacist at Eckerd Drug. The groom is a senior pharmacy student at Southwestern State University.

After a cruise to the Western Caribbean, the couple will be at home in Oklahoma City.

Thomas family reunion

The annual Thomas family reunion was held Aug. 2 at the Civic Center. Sixty-four descendants of the late Clifford Adell and Annie Mae Josselet Thomas gathered for a day of reminiscing, catching-up, and plans for next year. Dairyland of Jacksboro catered the noon meal of BBQ and all the trimmings. An evening meal of sandwiches and desserts was enjoyed by all. Family members brought various handmade items, old family pictures, homemade pickles and preserves that were auctioned off after the noon meal. Auctioneer was Lewis Thomas capably assisted by Clois Thomas.

The John Thomas family was represented by John and Maple Thomas of Haskell; Clyde and Ann Thomas of Pasadena; Andrew, Shelley and Hannah Thomas, Anderson; Jennifer, Erin, Sarah and Jessie Jones of Deer Park; Steve, Vicki and Courtney Thomas of Pasadena; Clois and Donna Thomas, Paul, Teresa, Amy and Andrew Hudspeth, Gary, Reda, Jillian, Eden and Micah Thomas, all of Haskell; Chris DuBois of Irwin, PA and Delin, Austin and Taylor Konicki of Spring.

The late Adell Thomas family was represented by Bill and Grace Thomas, of Haskell; Billy, Leann, Joshua, Aaron and Keaton Thomas of Morton; and Joey, Tiffany and Mackenzie Thomas of Haskell. Berta Mae Carroll of Dallas came with her family: Jean Taylor of Dallas, Sherry and Taylor Sikes and Bobby Taylor of Duncanville and John Walden of Houston; Sandra Blair, Vivian Castleberry and Bruce, Jill, Hilary, Holly and Hunter Blair, all of Forney.

Helen Mills of Levelland attended with Ronnie and Cindy Mills of Fort Worth, and Bob Mills of Amhurst. Marie Cole of Plano came with Gaylen Chanslor of Dallas. Lewis and Joyce Thomas of Haskell attended with Rickey, Debbie, Todd and Kaylee Scheffel of Lubbock. Guests were Mary Kammenga of Haskell and Pete Pitterle of Sun Prairie, WI.

After the evening meal a family meeting was held and plans were made for next year's reunion to be held the first Saturday in August at the Haskell Civic Center.



GRANDCHILDREN GRADUATE—Attending the recent graduation ceremonies at Texas A&M University are Helen Elliott (center) with grandchildren (left to right) Johnny Phillips, his wife, Jennifer Fermier Phillips, Kyle Phillips, Dr. Marla Strittmatter, and her husband, Dr. Joseph Strittmatter.

Elliott grandchildren graduate

Helen Elliott of Haskell is becoming prouder by degrees.

In June her granddaughter Marla Strittmatter received a Doctor of Medicine Degree from Texas A&M University's School of Medicine. She has accepted a residency in family medicine at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School in Fort Worth. She is practicing at John Peter Smith Hospital, Fort Worth.

Her husband Joseph Strittmatter graduated Magna Cum Laude in May from the Texas A&M

University School of Veterinary Hospital in Denton. He practices at Westlake Veterinary Hospital in Denton.

Mrs. Elliott's grandson, Johnny Phillips, and his wife, Jennifer

Fermier Phillips, both graduated from Texas A&M in May with degrees in speech communication.

Marla, Johnny and Kyle are the children of John and Jo Helen Elliott Phillips of Lampasas.

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Births

Johney and Derinda Larned of New Braunfels, are proud to announce the arrival of their daughter, Mackenzie Mae Larned.

She was born at 6:17 p.m. Wed., July 30, at South Austin Medical Center in Austin. She weighed 7 lbs. 7 oz. and was 20 inches.

Mackenzie was welcomed home by her big brother, Trey, and grandparents, Donald and Gracie Griffis of Weinert, and John and Florence Larned of Haskell, along with many other members of the family.

Hospital

origin.

"Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service, or accommodation in order to participate in this meeting are encouraged to contact the Haskell County Extension office at (940) 864-2546 to determine how reasonable accommodations can be made."

Admissions
Alma Culwell, Haskell
Juana Garcia, Haskell
Dora Bartley, Haskell
Joe Pharr, Lubbock
Dismissals
Lucy Fulbright, Edwin Beaty, Jr., Pearl Strickland, Bobbie Jones

County 4-H Awards Program set Aug. 17

by Lou Gilly and Greg Kaase
Haskell Co. Extension Agents

The annual Haskell County 4-H Awards Program will be held this Sun., Aug. 17 in the Haskell Memorial Civic Center. The event will begin with a covered dish lunch at 12:30 p.m. or as soon as you can get there after church is dismissed.

Anyone interested in joining 4-H is invited and encouraged to attend. Those attending are requested to bring a covered dish of their choice to go with fried chicken and sliced ham. The Haskell County 4-H Council will furnish the meat, bread, drinks, and paper goods. There will not be an admission charge nor a meal charge for attending.

Activities for the afternoon include the meal, entertainment provided by Haskell County 4-Her's, and awards presentations and other recognitions.

Greg Kaase, Haskell County's new County Extension Agent-Ag, and his family will be there for everyone to meet.

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We are excited about the coming school year and are looking forward to great seasons for all Haskell CISD's athletic teams. The Indian Booster Club meets Monday nights and we challenge you to join us and become a part in supporting and encouraging our young athletes.

Membership forms can be found in the HASKELL FREE PRESS, AT MODERN WAY, M-SYSTEM, SPORT ABOUT, HASKELL NATIONAL BANK, FIRST NATIONAL BANK, AND FIRST AMERICAN.

Once again, we will list the Club members' names in the football program. Membership in the Booster Club is **\$10.00**. If you would like to become a member and have your name listed in the program, *complete the information below and return with your dues to...*

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OPINION

State Capital



HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

In a strongly worded letter, all 17 of the state's Democratic member of Congress said Gramm's opposition on political grounds to former Tarrant County Judge Michael Schattman was "unacceptable." Republican Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison also opposes the nomination of Schattman, a Democrat.

Gramm's spokesman, Larry Neal said the senator is opposed to the nomination in part because Schattman has long been active in party politics.

Schattman, who attended Georgetown University with President Clinton, was first nominated for a seat on the U. S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas in 1995.

After the nomination failed to receive a Senate Judiciary Committee hearing last year, President Clinton renominated Schattman earlier this year.

Other Capital Highlights

State Sen. John Whitmire said last week he will not be a candidate for Houston mayor this year. "I don't have to be mayor to continue making a difference," the Democratic lawmaker said. In a written statement, Whitmire said he prefers to use his seniority in the state Senate and his work with a new lieutenant governor to help Houston and Harris county.

A federal judge has ordered that Texas Attorney General Dan Morales must testify in a court challenge to a law barring state employees from testifying against the state as expert witnesses. The Texas Faculty Association and Robert Hoover, a Texas A&M professor in Corpus Christi, are fighting the new law. Hoover wanted to serve as an expert witness on behalf of tobacco companies the state is suing.

Gee serves on the Texas Public Utility Commission and was its chairman from 1991 until 1995.

With more than 20 years of experience in the regulation of energy, Gee would be one of eight assistant secretaries at the Energy Department. The appointment is subject to Senate confirmation.

Appointed the the Texas PUC by former Gov. Ann Richards in October 1991, Gee is a lawyer who once worked at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

At the PUC, Gee was the state's highest-ranking Asian-American. His grandparents immigrated to the United States from China.

Two-Thirds Fail Algebra I
Final results on the Algebra I test released by the Texas Education Agency showed that 35 percent of the 236,852 students who took the exam in the spring passed.

The figure represented an improvement over last year—the first year of the test—when 28 percent passed the Algebra I test.

Student performed much better on Biology I, the other major end-of-course exam as 78 percent passed. That was up 2 percentage points from last year.

"Student performance is improving. That is a positive sign," said state Education Commissioner Mike Moses.

But he acknowledged that Algebra I is a concern for teachers across the state. "That is unsatisfactory," Dr. Moses said. "We must do a better job working with our teachers and in staff development."

Sen. Gramm Opposes Nominee

Texas Democrats are urging Sen. Phill Gramm to drop his opposition to the judicial appointment of a Fort Worth lawyer, saying the Republican senator is ruining the delegation's bipartisan spirit.

Texas took another step closer last week toward private control over public assistance programs.

State welfare administrators announced that Electronic Data Systems tentatively has been hired as the primary consultant for the future of Texas' welfare system.

Officials said they hope to sign a \$3.7 million contract with EDS by the middle of August.

EDS will advise welfare officials on the development and purchase of an updated, automated system for the delivery of food stamps, cash and medical benefits to more than 2 million Texans.

"The consultant will assist us with redesigning the way we currently do the work associated with enrolling clients," said Texas Health and Human Services Commissioner Mike McKinney.

According to state officials, if the contract is signed as anticipated, EDS will be precluded from bidding on the actual redesign of the present welfare system.

"We made a decision, and it wasn't made without debating the pros and cons. At this state, this is a very important project for us, said Bob Stauffer, vice president for human services at EDS, told the *Dallas Morning News*.

The design of the state welfare network is expected to include an overhaul of the computer systems, the possible elimination of some state jobs and maybe the creation of so-called "one-stop" welfare offices.

Clinton Picks Robert Gee
President Clinton plans to nominate Texan Robert Gee as assistant secretary for policy and international affairs of the Department of Energy.



From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago

August 20, 1987

Lori Darden, a Haskell High School journalism student, was named outstanding newspaper editor at the Southern Methodist University journalism workshop held recently in Dallas.

Speck and Roddy Sorenson will chalk up birthdays No. 82 on Monday and you can bet that the twin brothers will be celebrating with each other. They were born August 24, 1905, the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Sorenson.

20 Years Ago

August 18, 1977

Mr. and Mrs. Alvie James Pope, of Haskell, announce the birth of a daughter, Mandi Michelle Pope, born at the Haskell Memorial Hospital.

Three Haskell Girl Scouts were recognized as "All Around Campers" at Camp Boothe Oaks this summer. The scouts were: Cadet Julie John Wallace, Junior Holly McBroom and Brownie Kelly Wade.

30 Years Ago

August 17, 1967

Haskell High School majorettes, '67-'68 are Linda Riley, Paula Terrell, (drum major), Suzie Montgomery, Donna Gordon, Belinda McKelvain and Patricia

Toliver.

Army Captain Doyle K. Jetton, son of Mr. and Mrs. T.W. Jetton, Haskell, received the Bronze Star Medal and the Air Medal July 19 while serving with the 1st Air Cavalry Division in Vietnam.

Jimmy Turner, formerly of Haskell, has purchased the Tayman Insurance Agency in Stamford and the business is now being operated as Turner Insurance Agency, according to a recent announcement. Turner moved to Stamford from

Haskell in Feb. 1965 and assumed management of the agency in July of that year.

40 Years Ago

August 15, 1957

West Texas Utilities Company today announced plans to spend an estimated \$51,000,000 during the next five years for construction of new electric facilities in West Texas. One of the major items in the expansion program is the addition of a 53,000 kilowatt steam turbine unit at the Paint Creek Power Plant southeast of Haskell. Construction work is to start in September.

Mike McClellan, halfback, and Dale Robinson, tackle on the state championship Stamford Bulldog football team, have been selected members of the Texas Oil Bowl

squad, according to announcement from Wichita Falls.

50 Years Ago

August 28, 1947

Laura Thornton of the Mattson 4-H Club and Lois Allison of the Rule club will be the Haskell County representatives to the second 4-H Round Up and Agents Conference for 4-H boys and girls at College Station.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Perry have purchased the former McKinney Laundry two blocks east of the square, and name of the establishment has been changed to the Perry Laundry.

Thelma Copeland, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Walter Copeland of Weinert, received the bachelor of business administration degree in summer commencement exercises at North Texas State College in Denton.

90 Years Ago

August 1907

Mr. and Mrs. S.W. Scott entertained a large party of the young people Monday night in their usual hospitable style.

Sun. night burglars broke into the Wichita Valley Depot and blew open the door of the iron safe with dynamite or nitro and secured about \$140 in money.

From The Inside Out

By Mary Kaigler

Without our being consciously aware of it at the time, little family customs have a subtle, yet powerful way of reinforcing within our developing sense of self, the needed assurance of belonging and being special.

As we mature and establish our own family groups, new customs and rituals evolve, becoming meaningful times of strengthening the bonds of mutual love, acceptance and encouragement.

Yet, sometimes certain old customs from our childhood just seem natural for us to continue. Perhaps, through such rituals, we express our own need to extend even a small word of loving assurance to another generation.

I know that next Wednesday morning I will feel the urge to bake cookies. It's a yearly occurrence, stemming from a ritual that long ago outgrew any need for its practice in my family.

Every year, on the first day of school I think of how my mother always baked fresh cookies for us to have when we came home that afternoon, and of how much joy it was for us to have when we came home that afternoon, and of how much joy it was for me to continue the custom for my own daughter.

Last year, on the first day of school, I wrote the following story—for Mama, for me and for all the mothers to whom the experience of raising children remains a special blessing throughout their life.

The story will appear in the September issue of *The Texas Clubwoman*.

First-Day Cookies
Through her window that

morning she watched the older children walk by—sometimes alone, sometimes in animated groups, some with band instruments, some with booming radios, notebooks or back packs—all headed in the same direction. A steady stream of moms driving vans of wide-eyed, freshly groomed and polished little ones finally slowed down, and the street was again empty and quiet.

"It's time for me to start," she thought, and so began her annual ritual of baking cookies on the first day of school. Carefully she measured out the flour, salt and soda, blended shortening with the sugar, beat the eggs, stirred in the milk and added a few chopped pecans. No cook book needed; the recipe was long recorded in her heart.

Each sweet bit of chocolate that she added one by one, became to her a sweet memory of other first days of school and other first-day cookies. She couldn't now recall just how many such days there had been since she began the yearly tradition, but all afternoon she baked and turned out trays of cookies. Fragrant, velvety aromas spiraled and swirled around the warm cookies like the warm memories she recalled of each of the first-day dresses she'd made, the new shoes and book satchels, the "Guess what I learned today, Mommy!" excitement.

She knew that in another place across the country today, in a higher hall of learning, her now-grown, freshly groomed and polished little scholar was welcoming a new class of undergraduates who would be facing a new experience. "They'll sure be needing some cookies too", she told herself. "No child ever gets

too old to need the comfort of first-day cookies and a 'welcome home' hug. But oh my, what if they don't have anyone to do this for them? First thing tomorrow I'll find a sturdy box and mail some of these off to them." Softly humming to herself, she cleaned up her kitchen and put everything back in order.

The afternoon sun went down, and the nurse came into her room to undress the woman for the night. "Honey, you've been sitting right here at you window all day," she said. "You must be awfully tired."

"Oh, yes, I'm really tired," the woman answered, smiling in satisfaction. "But this is the first day of school, you know, and I've been busy baking cookies all day, just like I always do."

The nurse gently lifted the frail, spent form from the wheelchair onto the bed, where the tired little woman immediately fell into a blissful, contented sleep.

During the night, somewhere in heaven, a loving hand began to mix up a sweet batch of first-day cookies, and welcoming arms reached out to hug this special one of God's children who would be coming home tomorrow.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

I would like to take this time to say thank you to the farmer or farmers that have land along Highway 2163 between Haskell and Knox City, that have mowed their fields this past week.

Newspaper group seeks injunction

Texas newspapers filed suit Aug. 6 in Travis County District Court seeking an injunction to prevent enforcement of a law closing public records of motor vehicle accidents.

The law, Section 13 of Senate Bill 1069 passed in the 1997 Legislature, forces municipalities to remove accident reports from public logs. Thereafter, public and press would have access to the records only if they already know when the accident occurred, names of those involved and exact locations of the accidents.

Dolph Tillotson, publisher of *The Galveston County Daily News* and co-chairman of the newspapers' Legislative Advisory Committee, said the action is the first time newspapers have sought such an injunction.

"The result of this law will be to make it much more difficult for Texas newspapers to do their jobs," Tillotson said. "It will make it much more difficult for the public to gain access to records all taxpayers own and should control."

We don't believe that most people in the Legislature understood what was in the bill. In fact, Gov. George W. Bush vetoed the measure in its original form because he said it was 'overboard and unduly restricts access to information of legitimate interest to the general public.'

The legislation originally was introduced as House Bill 399 by Rep. Toby Goodman (R-Arlington). That bill passed but Gov. Bush vetoed it.

However, the same language was in another bill, SB 1069, mandated by the Federal Drivers' License Privacy Protection Act. According to the suit, "Gov. Bush signed SB 1069 apparently without realizing that the vetoed language of HB 399 had been 'logrolled' into the bill."

The newspapers seek relief from enforcement of the provision on three grounds. They allege:

"It violates the 'single purpose' clause of Article 3, Section 35 of the Texas Constitution.

"It violates the free speech and press provisions of the Texas Constitution.

"It violates the equal protection and due process clauses of the Texas Constitution.

Plaintiffs who brought the action are the Texas Press Association, Texas Daily Newspaper Association and their 542 member newspapers, including the *Dallas Morning News*, *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*, *Houston Chronicle*, *The Galveston County Daily News*, *Austin American-Statesman*, *San Antonio Express-News*, *The Snyder Daily News* and *Wise County Messenger, Decatur*.

Defendants named in the suit are Texas Attorney General Dan Morales and chiefs of police in the cities served by the filing newspapers.

The two press associations have hired George, Donaldson and Ford to represent the state's newspapers. The Austin law firm handles First Amendment issues.

Tillotson said the intent of the new law was to hinder unscrupulous businessmen from making money off accident victims. However, he said other and better methods have been found to do that without closing public records.

"The newspapers of Texas and ordinary citizens too often have to fight for access to information and meetings that should be public," Tillotson said. "This bill is one more example of lawmakers' thoughtless closing access to important public information."

Tillotson said of some 5,000 bills filed during the 75th session of the Texas Legislature, nearly 200 would have had a negative impact on open government.

The grass and weeds that have grown so abundantly since the recent rains sure were/hazardous to driving.

Again, thank you.
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Sagerton News

By Dorothy M. Clark



KEVIN PATTON

Kevin Patton earns Eagle Scout rank

Kevin Patton, son of Kenneth and Judy Patton of Haskell, received his Eagle Scout rank on Sat., July 5 at the First United Methodist Church of Haskell. Ceremony participants included local Scout representatives, First UMC Pastor and Eagle Scout, Shane Brue and District Advancement Chairman and Eagle Scout, Samuel Ferguson. The Eagle Charge was bestowed upon Kevin by his uncle and Eagle Scout, Joe Brookman of Houston. A reception followed the ceremony where keepsakes and pictures of Kevin's scouting career were displayed.

Kevin began scouting as a Tiger Cub and advanced through Cub Scouts to earn the Arrow of Light, the highest award in Cub Scouting. He entered Boy Scouts in February of 1993 and has since earned 37 merit badges. He has held positions in the troop of Patrol Leader and Sr. Patrol Leader. He was also Den Chief for a Webelos den for a year. Kevin has attended Den Chief training, Jr. Leader Training and Eagle Mountain Jr. Leader Training. He is also a Brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow. In addition, Kevin has regularly attended summer camps at Tonkawa and Sid Richardson. This summer, along with 35 other Scouts from the Chisholm Trail Council, Kevin attended the National Boy Scout Jamboree in Virginia. For this event, he held the position of Quartermaster.

To complete the requirements for Eagle Scout, Kevin planned and supervised the construction of park benches for the Haskell City park.

Student in the News

Katherine Marie (Kay) Cook, a former Haskell resident, has graduated magna cum laude from Midwestern University in Wichita Falls with a degree in English.

Cook, a member of Honor Societies' Alpha Chi, Kappa Delta Pi and Sigma Tau Delta, was selected as the Outstanding Secondary Student at Midwestern.

She has taken the position of high school English teacher at Holliday High School in Holliday, where she and her family reside.

Kay and her husband, Mike, have two sons; Sam Beakley of Tulsa, Okla., and Colby of the home and a junior student at Holliday High. Mike is Team Coordinator at Wichita Fall's Lone Star Gas.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Warrell of Compton, Ms. She was formerly secretary of Haskell I.S.D. for ten years.

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School bells are ringing, buses are running and the lives of the younger people of the community are taking on a new dimension. While talking to one of the young farming students last week I found out that they were really glad for school to begin. It seems that they would rather be pushin' a pencil and operating a computer than swingin' a hoe down long rows of weedy cotton in 90 plus degrees! I can remember the same days, when we would tackle the endless roots of Johnson grass and could hardly wait for school to begin and we got a reprieve from the cotton patch. We encourage the students in the upcoming year and look forward to football, basketball, U.I.L., track, and then graduation again.

Mmmmm, good....I don't know which is sweeter, the red or the yellow...that was the general conversation at the community supper last Tuesday night which featured sandwiches and was topped off by ice cold watermelons. We forgot about the terrific heatwave for a while. Charles and Dorothy Clark and Bill and Margie Hertel were hosts for the evening. During a short business meeting conducted by President, Johnny Guinn, it was decided to have the next supper on the second Tuesday in September instead of the first because of the Labor Day holiday. Mark your calendars for September 9 at 6:30

when Frances Clark, Clancy and Helen Lehrmann and Joe and Dorothy Clark will be hosts. These suppers are for everyone in the community and are a good time to visit with neighbors and enjoy a meal that you don't have to cook. It's really better than "eating out" and we encourage everyone to come and enjoy the fellowship. Those in attendance Tuesday night included Alvin and Alice Bedthauer, Jack and Peggy Tabor, Corene Lowack, Alvin and Ev Ulmer, Mary Neinast, Odene Duding, Pastor Jeff and Marie Zell, Joanna, M'Lynn, Karen, Steven and Brian Lehrmann, Helen and Clancy Lehrmann, J.J. Gellner, Eunice Guinn, John and Sue Guinn, Frances Clark, Jill, Kinsey, Tully and Cade Brown, G.W. and Ophelia LeFevre, Delbert and Joyce LeFevre, Helen, Paige and Brittany Lammert, Pastor Daniel and Matthew Ramey and Joe and Dorothy Clark.

The Hobby Club held their annual outing Thursday night when they treated their husbands and guests to dinner out at Duetschlander Gardens at Buffalo Gap. Members, spouses and guests attending were: Alvin and Ev Ulmer, Delbert and Joyce LeFevre, Charles and Dorothy Clark, Mary Neinast, Isabell Mrazek, Wilma Teichelman, Vickie, Wilhite, J.C. and Margaret Wendeborn, Joe and

Yvonne Swofford, J.B. and Dorothy Toney, Dave and Jo Brown, Bill and Margie Hertel, Herbert and Christine Stremmel, Jack and Peggy Tabor, David and Leona Letz, Pastor Jeff and Marie Zell.

Recent visitors in the home of J.B. and Dorothy Toney were J.B.'s sister, Sarah Toney of Boling, Bruce, Michelle, Clay and Megan Toney of Azle and Frieda Knipling of Haskell. Sarah had spent some time with her brother and family and they took her back last Thursday.

The family of Leon and Mae Stegemoeller met this past weekend for their annual family reunion at Lake Stamford. Time was spent helping Clayton with his farming chores as he recuperates from his recent accident and enjoying activities at the lake. The

grandchildren led a worship service Sunday morning for Calvin, Cherri Lynn, Eric and Christi of Hewitt, Carl, Beth, Mindi and Jonathan of Hobbs, N.M., Clyde and an exchange student from Norway who was visiting at Richardson, Clayton, Paula, Stephanie and Michelle.

Mrs. Emma Rappelt of Stamford had Sunday dinner with her daughter, Dorothy and Joe Clark.

Sunday afternoon the Joe Clarks and the Leon Stegemoellers attended the wedding of Kari Kionka and Rodney Price at Zion Lutheran Church in Abilene, with the reception following at the Abilene Country Club.

Thought for the week: (copied) To have meaningful work is a tremendous happiness...

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Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Lona Mae Phelps and Kenneth Campbell went to Cross Plains Saturday to a birthday party for Marlene Sanders. Marlene and Andy Sanders have five daughters that gave the party for her sixtieth birthday. Marlene said this was the second birthday party she ever had. Her mother, Faye Chambers, had a party for her when she was twelve years old. This party was at the home of Ricky and Tina Thomas. While Kenneth and Lona Mae were in the area they went to Burkett Cemetery where Kenneth's parents are buried.

On Sunday there was a fish fry at the home of Lyla Mary (Tata) Isbell. Those in attendance were Frank and Janice Dutton, Munday; Kristi and Rafael Sandoval of Oklahoma; Will Dutton and Mindy Atchley of Wichita Falls; Danny, Janice, Jonathan and Mark Isbell of Abilene; and Don, Nene and J. J. Comedy of Haskell.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Frank White on Thurs. was his brother,

Alvin White, of Breckenridge. Mr. and Mrs. Alvin White attended a funeral of a niece in Hamlin. Mrs. White visited her sister Dora Holley.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Brian McCallum of Oklahoma City give his mom a surprise visit on Sun. At the Rice Springs Nursing Home.

Visiting Bernice Hilliard over the weekend was her daughter, Pat Shaw, from Colorado City. They went to Abilene on Sat., where Pat visited an aunt, Ellen Hilliard and Jean Ballard, while Bernice went to Wagon Wheel for a dance. Leon Ivey called the square and Maxine Ivey called the line and round.

Haskell CISD Lunch Guidelines

The Haskell Consolidated Independent School District today announced its policy for free and reduced price meals for children unable to pay the full price of meals served under the National School Lunch Program. Each school and the office of the Haskell CISD has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by any interested party.

The following household size and income criteria will be used for determining eligibility:

National School Lunch and Child Nutrition Programs 1997-98 Income Eligibility Guidelines

Family Size	Annually:		Monthly:		Weekly:	
	Free	Reduced Price	Free	Reduced Price	Free	Reduced Price
1	\$10,257	\$14,597	\$855	\$1,217	\$198	\$281
2	13,793	19,629	1,150	1,636	266	378
3	17,329	24,661	1,445	2,056	334	475
4	20,865	29,693	1,739	2,475	402	572
5	24,401	34,725	2,034	2,894	470	668
6	27,937	39,757	2,329	3,314	538	765
7	31,473	44,789	2,623	3,733	606	862
8	35,009	49,821	2,918	4,152	674	959
9	38,545	54,853	3,213	4,572	742	1,056
10	42,081	59,885	3,508	4,992	810	1,153
11	45,617	64,917	3,803	5,412	878	1,250
12	49,153	69,949	4,098	5,832	946	1,347

For Each Additional Family Member Add:

+3,536	+\$5,032	+\$295	+\$420	+\$68	+\$97
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Children from households whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free or reduced price meals.

Application forms are being sent to all homes with a letter to parents or guardians. To apply for free or reduced price meals, households should fill out the application and return it to the school. Additional copies are available at the Principal's office in each school. The information provided on the application will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility and may be verified at any time during the school year by school or other program officials.

For school officials to determine eligibility, households receiving food stamps or AFDC must list the child's name, their food stamp or AFDC case number and the signature and name of an adult household member. Households not receiving food stamps or AFDC must list: names of all household members; Social Security numbers of all adult household members or a statement that the household member does not possess one; total household income and the amount and source of the income received by each household member; and the signature of an adult household member certifying that the information provided is correct.

Applications may be submitted at any time during the year. Under the provisions of the free and reduced price policy Haskell CISD will review applications and determine eligibility. Parents or guardians dissatisfied with the ruling of the official may wish to discuss the decision with the determining official on the informal basis. Parents wishing to make a formal appeal may make a request either orally or in writing to Haskell CISD, P. O. Box 937, Haskell, Texas, 79521 or telephone at 940-864-2602 for a hearing on the decision.

Households that list a food stamp or AFDC case number must report when the household no longer receives these benefits. Other households approved for benefits are required to report increases in household income of over \$50. per month or \$600. per year and decreases in household size. Also, if a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size increases the household should contact the school. Such changes may make the children of the household eligible for benefits if the household's income falls at or below levels shown above.

In certain cases foster children are also eligible for school meals benefits. If a household wishes to apply for benefits for foster children living with them, the household should contact the school for more information. The information provided by the household is confidential and will be used only for purposes of determining eligibility and verifying data.

In the operation of child feeding program administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, no child will be discriminated against because of race, color, sex, national origin, age or handicap. If any member of a household believes they have been discriminated against, they should write immediately to the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250.

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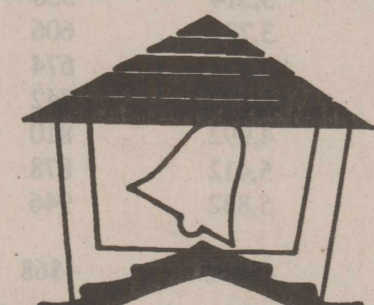
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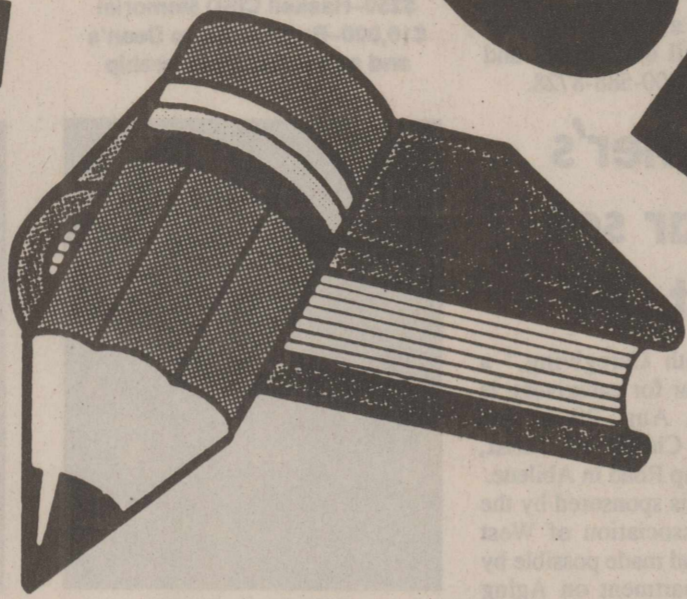
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Haskell Co. retailers pass test of sales of tobacco products to minors

Retailers in Haskell County were tested in June of this year regarding compliance with the state law concerning the sale of tobacco products to minors. This test included eight over-the-counter tests where minors, ages 14 and 15, approached Haskell County retailers and attempted to purchase tobacco products.

The majority of the retailers asked the minors for ID and refused to sell tobacco products to them. However, three retailers did sell

tobacco products to the minors. The results of this test were good, however, Haskell county needs 100% participation from the retailers in order to be in compliance with the law. The state law requires that a person be 18 years or older in order to purchase tobacco products.

Tobacco kills more than 400,000 people each year, and it is by far the number one cause of preventable deaths in the United

States. It has been estimated that more than 947 million packs of cigarettes are sold illegally to minors. On the average, young people succeed over half the time in buying tobacco over-the-counter and nearly all of the time through vending machines. It is as hard to quit smoking cigarettes as it is to quit using cocaine.

Stop the sale, prevent the addiction, and give millions of young people a brighter future. Only you can make the difference where you live. For more information, contact Debi Christiansen a the Abilene Regional Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse at 1-800-588-8728.

Alzheimer's seminar set August 29

"Coping With Caregiving," a day-long seminar for caregivers, is scheduled Fri., Aug. 29, at the Southern Hills Church of Christ, 3666 Buffalo Gap Road in Abilene.

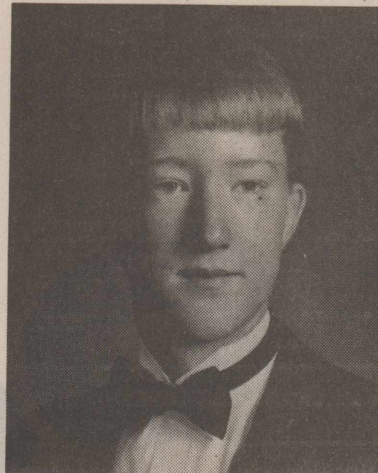
The seminar is sponsored by the Alzheimer's Association of West Central Texas and made possible by The Texas Department on Aging and the West Central Texas Area Agency on Aging. There is no charge for attending nor any advance registration required. The program is designed for caregivers of patients with Alzheimer's or related disorders; all interested persons are welcome to attend.

Keynote speaker for the program will be Dr. Loralu Raburn, a neurologist from Amarillo who specializes in Alzheimer's Disease. The afternoon session will also feature a panel of family caregivers who will share their experiences.

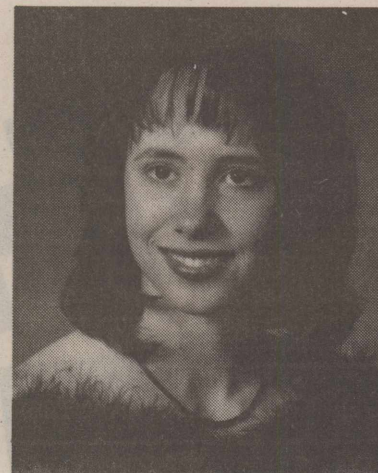
Registration for the event will begin at 8:30 a.m., and the program will conclude at 4:15 p.m. Each person attending will receive a notebook of helpful brochures and information sheets.

To receive a seminar program or any additional information, call the Alzheimer's Association of West Central Texas, (915) 672-2907.

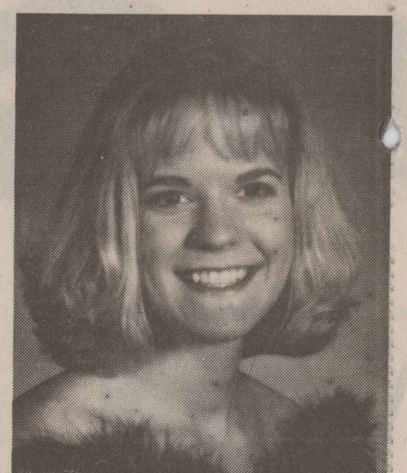
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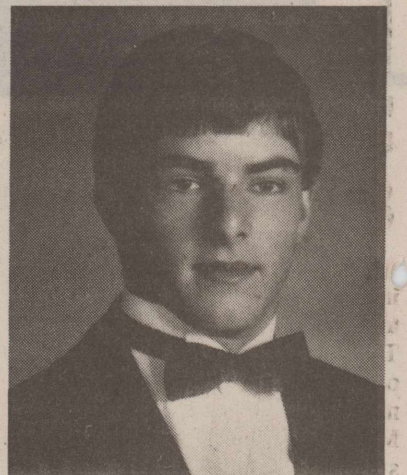
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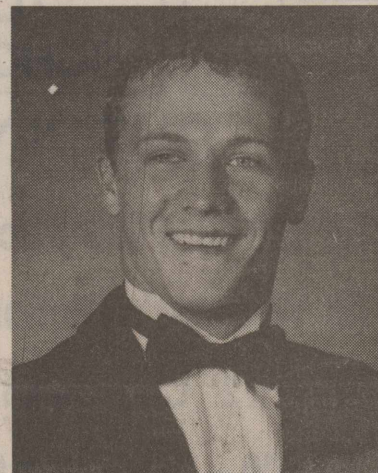
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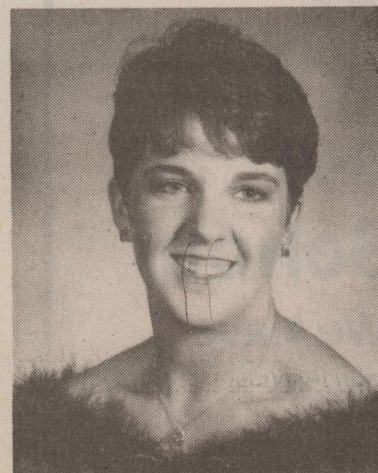
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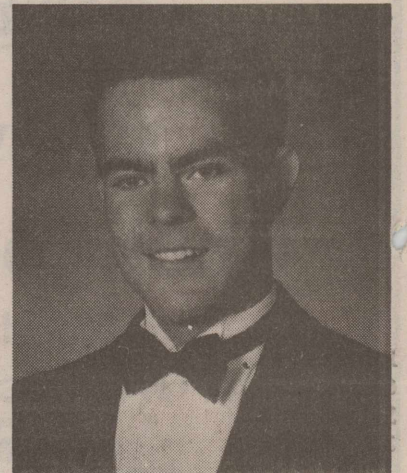
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Because population growth, business expansion and growing technologies are rapidly draining the pool of available telephone numbers, the 817 area code split into three area codes earlier this year. But little else has changed. Just remember, you must use the correct area code when calling. If you are located within the new area codes, be sure to inform callers from other areas of your new area code. While the new area codes are an industry requirement, we at GTE are helping to simplify the process.



1997 PROPERTY TAX RATES IN HASKELL COUNTY

This notice concerns 1997 property tax rates for Haskell County. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 property value.

	General Fund	Farm to Market/ Flood Control Fund	Special Road/ Bridge Fund
LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE:			
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 859,880.38	\$ 275,668.17	\$ 223,606.63
Last year's debt taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Last year's total taxes	\$ 859,880.38	\$ 275,668.17	\$ 223,606.63
Last year's tax base	\$ 202,477,584	\$ 199,576,914	\$ 212,113,320
Last year's total tax rate	\$ 0.4246/\$100	\$ 0.1381/\$100	\$ 0.1054/\$100
THIS YEAR'S EFFECTIVE TAX RATE:			
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 863,477.95	\$ 267,802.49	\$ 224,843.16
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 205,008,974	\$ 202,087,144	\$ 214,230,895
= This year's effective tax rate for each fund	\$ 0.4211/\$100	\$ 0.1369/\$100	\$ 0.1049/\$100
Total Effective Tax Rate	\$ 0.6629/\$100		
x 1.03 = maximum rate unless unit published and holds hearings	\$ 0.6827/\$100		
THIS YEAR'S ROLL BACK TAX RATE:			
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and including taxes for state criminal justice mandate.)	\$ 864,057.95	\$ 276,802.49	\$ 224,843.16
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 205,008,974	\$ 202,087,144	\$ 214,230,895
= This year's effective operating rate	\$ 0.4214/\$100	\$ 0.1369/\$100	\$ 0.1049/\$100
x 1.08 = This year's maximum operating rate	\$ 0.4551/\$100	\$ 0.1479/\$100	\$ 0.1133/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ 0.0000/\$100	\$ 0.0000/\$100	\$ 0.0000/\$100
= This year's rollback rate for each fund	\$ 0.4551/\$100	\$ 0.1479/\$100	\$ 0.1133/\$100
This year's total rollback rate	\$ 0.7163/\$100		

SCHEDULE A - UNECUMBERED FUND BALANCES

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
General	\$ 160,000.00
Road & Bridge	\$ 300,000.00
Farm & Market Lateral Road	\$ 80,000.00

SCHEDULE B - DEBT SERVICE: NONE

SCHEDULE C - EXPECTED REVENUE FROM ADDITIONAL SALES TAX: NONE

SCHEDULE D - STATE CRIMINAL JUSTICE MANDATE (FOR COUNTIES)

The Haskell County Treasurer certifies that Haskell County has spent \$4,380.00 in the previous 12 months beginning July 1, 1996, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Haskell County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

SCHEDULE E - TRANSFER OF DEPARTMENT, FUNCTION OR ACTIVITY: NONE

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and roll back tax rates' calculations.

You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at HASKELL COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT,
604 North First Street, Haskell, Texas.

Name of person preparing this notice: Jamie Weaver Title: Chief Appraiser Date prepared: 08/11/97

Lamb validation tag deadline Aug. 22

by Greg Kaase
Haskell Co. Extension
Agent

Time is fast approaching for 4-H'ers and FFA members to make decisions on how many ear tags will be needed by their families for the 1997-98 Lamb Validation. The deadline for ordering tags will

be Fri., Aug. 22. The tags will cost \$3.00 each. Please bring your payment to the Haskell County Extension Office by Aug. 22.

Remember, all lambs which will be shown at the Haskell County Jr. Livestock Show and the major livestock shows (i.e., Ft. Worth, El Paso, San Antonio, Houston, and

San Angelo) must have an official State 4-H and FFA Lamb Validation tag.

If you have any questions, please contact Greg Kaase, County Extension Agent-Ag., at (940) 864-2658 or come by the Haskell County Extension Office at 101 South Ave. D.

Swine leader training set Sept. 6

by Greg Kaase
Haskell Co. Extension
Agent

A District 3 4-H Swine Leader Training will be held at the Baylor County Show Barn in Seymour, on Sat., Sept. 6, from 9:30 to 3:00 p.m. Topics to be covered include facilities, selection, health care, feeding and nutrition, and fitting and grooming. This training is open to anyone who is interested. The cost of registration is \$5.00 for 4-H members and \$7.50 for adult leaders and parents. A noon meal will also be provided and is included in the registration fee.

If you would like to attend this training, please call Greg Kaase, Haskell County Extension Agent-Ag., by Wed., Aug. 27, at (940) 864-2568 to reserve a spot.

"Individuals with disabilities

who require an auxiliary aid, service or accommodation in order to participate in this meeting are encouraged to contact the Haskell County Extension Office to determine how reasonable

accommodations can be made."

Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.



FARM SAFETY DAY CAMP TRAINS YOUTH—Young people from the area learn ways to handle grass and range fires during intensive day of safety training in Munday.

83 youth attend Farm Safety Day Camp

Eighty-three youth participated in a day packed with farm safety topics on Sat., May 10 in Munday. The farm Safety Day Camp was one of many being held across the nation by Progressive Farmer Magazine and was locally sponsored by The Texas Agricultural Extension Service-Knox County. A task force comprised of concerned individuals from Knox County planned and conducted the camp with the help of many local, area, and nation donors. Over sixty volunteers devoted their time and efforts into making the day a success by serving as instructors, groups leaders, conducting registration, and organizing the noon meal and snacks.

The days activities began with a farming accident victim, Cliff Etheredge of Roscoe, speaking to the group about his experience. The youth then rotated among 11

different sessions focusing on variety of possible farm hazards. The sessions taught and instructors were: Chemical Safety—Kelly Griffin, Texas Dept. of Agriculture; Shop Safety—Duane Gilly, Haskell Ag. Science Instructor; Electrical Safety—B-K Electric Employees—Stanley Decker, Pete Winn, Phil Loftin, and Jim Novac; ATV Safety—Brad Teplicek, certified ATV safety instructor; Basic First Aid—Knox County 911/EMS; Grain Entrapment—Corey and Chris Moore; Fire Safety—Bill Williams and Spike Bryan; Lawnmower Safety—David Davis, Haskell County Judge; Tractor/Equipment Safety—Quality Implement and John Deere & Co.—Mike Jordan and Dale Mullis; Grain Explosion—Charlie Black, Anson Ag. Science Instructor; and PTO Entanglement—Camp coordinators were Jane Rowan, Knox County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer

Sciences, and Mrs. Jerry (Judy) Lowe. Others serving on the task force were: Phyllis Reed, Barbara Home, Paul Weiser, Rick Moeller and Tommy Bibb.



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August 19, 1997

Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 612 head of cattle at its sale on Saturday, August 9, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

The market was steady on all classes of cattle.

Cows: fat, .36-.40; cutters, .35-.425; canners, .25-.38.

Bulls: bologna, .46-.55, feeder, .65-.75; utility, .35-.45.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .95-1.125; 300-400 lbs., .85-1.07; 400-500 lbs., .80-1.00; 500-600 lbs., .75-.90; 600-700 lbs., .75-.82; 700-800 lbs., .70-.80; 800-up lbs., .65-.77.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .85-

1.05; 300-400 lbs., .80-.95; 400-500 lbs., .75-.85; 500-600 lbs., .67-.77; 600-up lbs., .60-.75.

Bred cows: young to middle aged \$500-\$650; aged or small, \$400-\$500.

Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, \$675-\$850; small or aged, \$500-\$675.

Use care when selecting pest control operators

by Greg Kaase
Haskell Co. Extension
Agent

Be careful when you hire someone to spray for insects in your home. Pest control operators must be trained and licensed. Individuals who work illegally may use chemicals that can hurt you.

For example, methyl parathion is extremely toxic and dangerous. It's a pesticide used mainly on cotton. In the sun, it breaks down quickly and poses few hazards, but indoors it can be deadly.

Suzanne Deatherage coordinates Extension Service training for pesticide applicators in Texas. She says it is important to ask to see the applicator's licenses before hiring them. She also recommends checking the label to make sure the product is registered and approved for use in your home. She says a missing label or repackaged product is another sign of illegal activity.

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NOTICE OF 1997 PROPERTY TAX RATES

This notice concerns 1997 property tax rates for the following taxing units: City of Haskell; City of Weinert; North Central Texas Municipal Water Authority; Haskell County Water Supply District #1; Haskell Memorial Hospital District. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

	City of Haskell	City of Weinert	Nor. Central Tx. Municipal Wtr. Authority	Haskell Co. Wtr. Supply District #1	Haskell Memorial Hospital. Dist.
LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE:					
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 133,688.06	\$ 10,077.65	\$ 0.00	\$ 7,568.68	\$ 693,297.73
Last year's debt taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 172,010.33	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Last year's total taxes	\$ 133,688.06	\$ 10,077.65	\$ 172,010.33	\$ 7,568.68	\$ 693,297.73
Last year's tax base	\$ 48,911,496	\$ 3,235,169	\$ 90,765,876	\$ 18,642,459	\$ 203,075,279
Last year's total tax rate	\$ 0.2733/\$100	\$ 0.3115/\$100	\$ 0.1895/\$100	\$ 0.0406/\$100	\$ 0.3414/\$100
THIS YEAR'S EFFECTIVE TAX RATE:					
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 133,821.09	\$ 10,183.95	\$ 172,251.24	\$ 7,741.38	\$ 697,419.81
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 48,189,152	\$ 3,208,714	\$ 90,668,360	\$ 18,173,234	\$ 205,398,283
= This year's effective tax rate	\$ 0.2776/\$100	\$ 0.3173/\$100	\$ 0.1899/\$100	\$ 0.0425/\$100	\$ 0.3395/\$100
x 1.03 = maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings	\$ 0.2859/\$100	\$ 0.3268/\$100	\$ 0.1955/\$100	\$ 0.0437/\$100	\$ 0.3496/\$100
THIS YEAR'S ROLLBACK TAX RATE:					
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred functions)	\$ 209,382.65	\$ 10,183.95	\$ 0.00	\$ 7,741.38	\$ 697,419.81
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 48,189,152	\$ 3,208,714	\$ 91,162,560	\$ 18,173,234	\$ 205,398,283
= This year's effective operating rate	\$ 0.4345/\$100	\$ 0.3173/\$100	\$ 0.0000/\$100	\$ 0.0425/\$100	\$ 0.3395/\$100
x 1.08 = This year's maximum operating rate	\$ 0.4692/\$100	\$ 0.3427/\$100	\$ 0.0000/\$100	\$ 0.0459/\$100	\$ 0.3666/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ 0.0000/\$100	\$ 0.0000/\$100	\$ 0.2091/\$100	\$ 0.0000/\$100	\$ 0.0000/\$100
= This year's rollback rate (before sales tax adjustment—if applicable)	\$ 0.4692/\$100	\$ 0.3427/\$100	\$ 0.2091/\$100	\$ 0.0459/\$100	\$ 0.3666/\$100
- Sales tax adjustment rate - City of Haskell	\$ 0.1552/\$100				
= Rollback tax rate	\$ 0.3140/\$100	\$ 0.3427/\$100	\$ 0.2091/\$100	\$ 0.0459/\$100	\$ 0.3666/\$100

SCHEDULE A - UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCES

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Taxing Units	Type of Fund	Amount
City of Haskell	General Fund	\$ 130,000.00
City of Weinert	Maintenance Fund	\$ 0.00
N.C.T.M.W.A.		\$ 0.00
Hask. Co. Wtr. #1	Operating Fund	\$ 7,000.00
Hask. Mem. Hosp. Dist.		\$ 0.00

SCHEDULE B - 1997 DEBT SERVICE:

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debt that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues.

Taxing Units	Principal Or Contract Payment To Be Paid	Interest To Be Paid	Other Amt. To Be Paid	Total Required For 1997 Debt Service	Amt. Paid From Funds Listed in Schedule "A"	Excess Collections Last Year	Total To Be Paid From 1997 Taxes	Amount Added In Anticipation That The Unit Will Collect The Following Percentage Of Its Taxes In 1997	Total Debt Levy
City of Haskell				0.00					0
City of Weinert				0.00					0
N.C.T.M.W.A.	\$100,000.00	\$82,800.00	\$0.00	\$182,800.00	\$0.00	\$1,648.00	\$181,152.00	95%	\$190,686.00
Hask. Co. Wtr. #1				0.00					0
Hask. Mem. Hosp. Dist.				0.00					0

SCHEDULE C - EXPECTED REVENUE FROM ADDITIONAL SALES TAX

CITY OF HASKELL: In calculating its effective and rollback tax rates, the unit estimated that it will receive \$73,989.00 in additional sales and use tax revenues.

SCHEDULE D - STATE CRIMINAL JUSTICE MANDATE (FOR COUNTIES) Not Applicable

SCHEDULE E - TRANSFER OF DEPARTMENT, FUNCTION OR ACTIVITY Not Applicable

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at HASKELL CO. APPRAISAL DISTRICT, 604 North First St., Haskell, Texas.

Name of person preparing this notice: Jamie Weaver Title: Chief Appraiser Date prepared: 08/11/97

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Haskell School Menu

Aug. 18-22
Breakfast
 Juice or fruit and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.
Monday: No school
Tuesday: No school
Wednesday: Juice or fruit, cereal, toast/jelly
Thursday: Juice or fruit, biscuits/gravy, sausage
Friday: Juice or fruit breakfast pizza

Lunch
 A choice of baked potato with

choice of topping are offered daily at the High School. Milk and juice are served daily at the Elementary School
Monday: No school
Tuesday: No school
Wednesday: Submarine sandwich, French fries, lettuce/tomatoes/pickles, shape-ups
Thursday: Steak fingers/gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, cantaloupe
Friday: Hamburger, tater tots, Hamburger trimmings, sunshine bars

This Week's Devotional Message:

THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS A LITTLE HONESTY



If you have gone to great lengths to teach your children to be honest at all times, you are to be commended. However, the most convincing lesson is the example of your own behavior. Do they dry their hands on towels embroidered with the names of famous hotels, which you took for "souvenirs"? Do they overhear Dad bragging about the way he cheated on his

income tax return, or watch Mom displaying an item the cashier forgot to ring up, which she has no intention of paying for? All these things combine to make a mockery of the lesson you tried to teach your children. What the whole family needs are some good sessions at the Church of your choice, which will remind each generation that honesty, like perfection, does not come in degrees.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

HASKELL
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 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
 Dusty Garrison, minister
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
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Church of God
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 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.m., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
 607 S. 7th, Haskell

First United Methodist Church
 Shane Brue, 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.m., 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.m., 10:30 a.m., 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

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 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.
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 Rev. William Hodge
 Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m.
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 Jim Turner, pastor
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Church in the Park
 Rev. Tim and Suzann Townsend
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Paint Creek Baptist Church
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WEINERT
First Baptist Church
 Joel Rister, pastor
 Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.

Weinert Methodist Church
 Rev. James Patterson
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.

Weinert Foursquare Church
 Rev. Joyce Goossen and Rev. Diane Crownover
 Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

ROCHESTER
Church of Christ
 Steve Willis, minister
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
 West on Main Street, Rochester

First Baptist Church
 Ed Buerkle, 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

First Baptist Church
 Troy Culppepper, pastor
 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

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 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

Food for thought

by Charles H. Spurgeon
 "Ephraim is a cake not turned."
 Hosea 7:8

A cake not turned is uncooked on one side; and so Ephraim was, in many respects, untouched by divine grace: though there was some partial obedience, there was very much rebellion left. My soul, I charge thee, see whether this be thy case. Art thou thorough in the things of God? Has grace gone through the very center of thee being so as to be felt in its divine operations in all thy powers, thy actions, thy words, and thy thoughts? To be sanctified, spirit, soul, and body, should be thine aim and prayer; and although sanctification may not be perfect in thee anywhere in degree, yet it must be universal in its action; there must not be the appearance of holiness in one place and reigning sin in another, else thou, too, wilt be a cake not turned.

A cake not turned is soon burnt on the side nearest the fire, and although no man can have too much religion, there are some who

seem burnt black with bigoted zeal for that part of truth which they have received, or are charred to a cinder with a vainglorious Pharisaic ostention of those religious performances which suit their humor. The assumed appearance of superior sanctity frequently accompanies a total absence of all vital godliness. The saint in public is a devil in private. He deals in flour by day and in soot by night. The cake which is burned on one side, is dough on the other.

If it be so with me, O Lord, turn me! Turn my unsanctified nature to the fire of thy love and let it feel the sacred glow, and let my burnt side cool a little while I learn my own weakness and want of heat when I am removed from thy heavenly flame. Let me not be found a double-minded man, but one entirely under the powerful influence of reigning grace; for well I know if I am left like a cake unturned, and am not on both sides the subject of thy grace, I must be consumed for every amid everlasting burnings.

Local residents make trip to Leon, Mexico

Roy and Jimalee George of Haskell accompanied local residents, city officials, and members of Calvary Temple of Irving to Leon, Mexico, July 25, where the church held a "Festival of Friendship". It included street ministry, donations to Leon organizations, and nightly rallies for both adults and children.

Calvary Temple, pastor, Dr. J. Don George presented two gifts of 20,000 pesos (\$2,500) each to Leon's Red Cross and Fire Dept. during the opening night of the festival. Other activities included helping underprivileged residents of the city and performing sidewalk puppet shows for kids during the day. About 100 workers were present at the festival which lasted through July 30.

Councilman Lewis Patrick and wife took the trip to assist in the Crusade, although he does not attend Calvary Temple. His wife is bilingual and worked with children in the barrios, taking an assortment of soccer balls for them. Councilman Lewis Patrick spoke at the opening night, and said, "We're trying to build a good relationship between Irving and

Leon—in business, tourism, and public art." Leon became Irving's fourth sister city with visits by municipal officers in November 1996.

School of ministry sessions were held each morning from 9 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. with the following speakers—Pastor Ron Delgado, Miss.; Pastor Win Mack, Granbury; Pastor Garry Page, Plano; Pastor Maury Davis, Nashville, TN.; Pastor Anthony Fouts, Lancaster; and Rev. R. Kenneth George, Albuquerque, NM., Supt. of New Mexico District Assemblies of God.

The evening Crusade services were held at the Fair Grounds Arena, with J. Don George speaking nightly, and John Delgado translating. The singing and music was under the direction of Pastor Marco Rico of Dallas, and Robert De La Torre was the featured soloist each night. Jaroy Carpenter and Marianne Meltabarger were in charge of the childrens ministries, and Steve Pardue conducted the street evangelism. These workers are all on staff at Calvary Temple of Irving.

ECC Calendar and Menu

Lunch—Pork chops/gravy, candied yams, mixed vegetables, jello salad, peaches, milk, tea or coffee.

Wednesday, August 20
 Exercise—10:30 a.m.
 Lou Gilly—11:45 a.m.

Lunch—B.B.Q. on bun, pickles, onions, tomatoes, potato salad, jello/topping, milk, tea or coffee.

Friday, August 22
 Tim and Susan Townsend 11:00 a.m. singing with guitars.
Lunch—Roastbeef, gravy, potatoes, peas/carrots, cabbage slaw, fruit cobbler, milk, tea or 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.

Burson family holds reunion

Forty-two descendants of Clarence G. and David J. Burson attended a reunion in Abilene, Sat. July 19.

Along with the visiting, activities included a "white elephant" gift exchange for both children and adults, and an auction. Prizes were awarded to those traveling the greatest distance and to the oldest present. Ron Burson,

son of E.C. (Botch) and Doris Burson, came from Sunland, California, and Nelda (Burson) Shumaker and her husband Joel Shumaker, attended from Roswell, Georgia. She is the daughter of the late Denville and Ruth Burson. Many of the food items provided by family cooks were made from recipes from the Burson family cookbook.

Marriage Licenses

Marriage licenses issued during July 1997 by Rhonda Moeller, County Clerk include:

Brad Thomas Bevel of Rochester and Kendra Jo Williams of Guthrie

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Dear Friends,
As we begin this letter we are sad, not so much right now at our loss, but because we know beforehand that we will not be able to express our appreciation better to you. At best, these thoughts will only scratch the surface of how we actually feel. We are first so grateful to you for rushing to help the family when some of us were gone and unable to be here during the first few hours. And after that, it was amazing to see how thoughtful you were in trying to make us feel better. So many of you dropped everything you were busy doing to bring food and serve it, clean our homes, wash our cars and clothes, even mow the grass. At the same time, others were quietly dealing with necessary details, such as with the authorities and media, with a competence and care that left the family often unaware that such problems even existed. The special attention that was given to Misty, Matt, Jeff, and Brad not only made them feel better, but also helped give the rest of us time to benefit from all who came to visit and console. The plants and flowers and the overflow crowd at the funeral was literally a staggering experience. We are so sorry that so many had to remain outside in such an uncomfortable situation. But we know that, at that moment, Burnell and Heath must have been holding each other and smiling down on what you were doing to honor them. At the same time, your being there left us with pleasant memories of an experience that, otherwise, we would have wished to forget. We will never be able to repay you, but as often as we can, we will try.
Finally, as was read during the funeral, we give a special thanks to those who put themselves in danger to do all that was possible for Pepa and Heath last Sunday evening. Only afterwards have we come to fully appreciate how dangerous the situation was and the risks that were taken to help them. Your efforts have earned you a lifetime of appreciation from our family.
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A special thanks to City Policeman, Roman Morgan, and County Judge David Davis. Thanks to the Haskell Church of Christ for the wonderful meal and beautiful music and to Dale comforting words. We are still taking it one step at a time.

The Max McMeans Family
Sue McMeans
The Tom McMeans Family
The Alden Lowack Family

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TO THOSE I LOVE AND THOSE WHO LOVE ME

When I am gone, release me, let me go, I have so many things to do and see, You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears, be happy that we had so many years.

I gave you my love, you can only guess—How much you gave me in happiness, I thank you for the love you each have shown, But now it's time I travel on alone.

So, grieve awhile, for if grieve you must—Then let your grief be comforted by trust, It's only for awhile that we must part—So bless the memories within your heart.

I won't be far away, for life goes on, So, if you need me, call and I will come.

Though you can't see or touch me—I'll be near, And if you listen with your heart, You'll hear all my love around you soft and clear,

And then, when you must come this way alone, I'll greet you with a smile, and say—
"Welcome Home"



TxDOT ROADEO—Chris Medford, second from left, and Joseph Swinney, third from left, represented the Texas Department of Transportation's Haskell County maintenance section in the Abilene district's third rodeo event. Medford and Swinney earned the right to compete at the district level by taking first and second place, respectively, in the county rodeo competition. This was Medford's third straight year to represent Haskell county in the event. He will also represent the district at the state finals for the third time. Earl Proctor, left, section supervisor, and James McFadden, assistant section supervisor, accompanied the employees to the meet.

Medford to advance to statewide TxDOT Rodeo

Chris Medford and Joseph Swinney, Haskell county maintenance section employees with the Texas Department of Transportation, recently competed in the Abilene district's third rodeo.

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This was the third year Medford represented the Haskell county maintenance section at district level, coming in second in the county in 1995 and first in 1996. In addition, Medford will represent the Abilene district in the state finals for the third straight year.

Medford's supervisor, Earl Proctor, couldn't be happier. "I'm extremely proud of this young man. He has taken on seasoned professionals for three years now and has come out on top."

"As his supervisor, I get to accompany Medford to Austin for the state finals and each year he has improved. The first time he came in eighth and last year he tied for third but was named fourth. Now,

if he were to come in first or second at state, I'd get to accompany him to nationals. That would be exciting for both of us."

"For most of us here in West Texas, the word rodeo congers us thoughts of bronc riding and calf roping," an Abilene district official said. "But, at TxDOT rodeo spells stiff competition between employees driving 7 1/2 ton dump trucks down long, winding and narrow passages and challenging each other to see who can stop closest to a stop line and an alley dock."

In addition to TxDOT's rodeos testing precision driving skills, they also test the employees preventive maintenance knowledge.

"This year," Steve Batko, Abilene district safety officer and rodeo coordinator, said, "we continued our strict rules regarding preventive maintenance. For instance, the competitors were given five minutes to find ten defects on a vehicle."

Contestant at both the county and district meets took dump trucks through a six-part precision driving

course that tested such skill as stopping on a line, backing up to a loading dock, navigating a serpentine course and driving through narrow corridors. According to Batko, the drivers started out with a 12 foot wide corridor that diminished to an eight and one-half foot wide path.

"The employees look forward to this annual event and each year they seem to be more and more enthusiastic by the competition," Batko added. "We've discovered that in addition to this competition recognizing the skills and pride exhibited in the safe operation of TxDOT equipment, it inspires comradery between the employees and boosts morale."

From the maintenance section supervisors to the Abilene district engineer, supervisors agree this program gives the department drivers the recognition they deserve. "Everyday our employees drive these dump trucks in some of the most dangerous situations possible. They're expected to analyze every situation and react immediately in a vehicle that doesn't go as fast or respond as easily as a car," Joe Higgins, Hamlin area engineer, said. "We're glad to have a program that gives the drivers the recognition they deserve."

This is the third year the Abilene district has participated in the statewide TxDOT event. Accompanying first place winner Chris Medford to Austin will be Jim Hill out of TxDOT's Shackelford county office.

Booster Club to 'Meet the Indians', Mon., August 25

The Haskell Indian Booster Club held its first meeting of the 1997-98 school year Mon., Aug. 11 at the Field House.

After Booster Club president, Dale Huff, welcomed everyone, Coach Gray gave a report about football two days, which began Wed., Aug. 6. He commented that practice sessions are going well and that the 61 players (19 seniors) are

showing much potential as preparation for the upcoming season continues.

Club members discussed fund raising activities, which included items to be sold in the Trading Post. Various projects were discussed, and it was decided to host the "Meet the Indians" night Mon., Aug. 25.

The next meeting of the Haskell Indian Booster Club will be Mon.,

Aug. 18 at 7 p.m. at the Field House. All interested fans or parents of athletes (grades 7-12) are encouraged to attend. We need everyone's help in planning and carrying out projects that help and support our athletes.

Booster Club meets every Monday evening at 7 p.m. during football season. All interested fans are encouraged to attend.

'A Taste of Texas' set Oct. 6-10

by Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Extension Agent

Experience fall and nature at it's best this year and enjoy "A Taste of Texas!" That's what folks 50 and over will be doing at the Texas 4-H Center on Lake Brownwood when many will enjoy the annual Octoberfest says Lou Gilly, Haskell County Extension Agent—Family and Consumer Sciences.

Sponsored by the Texas

Agricultural Extension Service, the program will be held Oct. 6-10.

Opportunities include "hands-on" learning center where one can learn beaded crafts, oil painting, woodworking, stained glass, spider weaving, and other exciting projects. Educational programs on topics such as basket weaving, Native American traditions, local historic tours and other current interests are a popular highlight.

Boat rides (weather permitting) and

fishing on Lake Brownwood add popularity to your stay. Lighted tennis courts, horseshoes, billiards volleyball, shuffle board, dominoes and card and table games are all popular activities.

Octoberfest '97! Are you 50 or older? Then it's for you! The program is limited to 165 participants at a nominal fee. Get away and learn to make the most of the best years of your life. Call your county Extension office today at (940) 864-2546.

School's in - watch for children

Texas Department of Public Safety officials are asking all drivers to begin thinking about the safety of our school children as the beginning of a new school year commences. This time of year presents problems for both the school children and the driver. Many youngsters are attending school for the first time and others may be going to different schools where they are unfamiliar with the traffic conditions.

Another problem is that during the

summer vacation some drivers have gotten out of the habit of being alert for both school zones and school buses. The Department of Public Safety urges everyone to remember to slow down for those school zones and to remember that state law requires drivers on the same roadway as a school bus that is stopped to load or unload students, to stop until the bus driver has turned off the flashing red

lights.

This time of year also brings on that Friday night fever, the high school football games. Not only on Friday nights but also during the weekdays people will be travelling to those football games. Let's be especially watchful for that traffic as they travel to and from the games.

Let's all work together to make this a safe school year for our children both during and after school hours.

City Council tables property purchase items

During the regular meeting held at the City Hall, Aug. 11, the Haskell City Council considered several items from the scheduled agenda.

Tabled for further study were the Nine Point Grain property purchase and the purchase of one lot from Grover Lamed.

City Administrator, Sam Watson reported that the water line grant is still in progress.

A called meeting will be held at noon on Friday to open seal coat bids.

The Council decided to pay tuition for people on the Zoning Board and The Housing Authority to attend a community leadership workshop which will be sponsored by WTU.

After discussion, the Council decided to split the costs of extending the water line on Derrick Drive with Tribbey Construction.

The line will service the new homes being built east of Addison Drive. It is an exception to the city's usual policy of extending up to 150 feet.

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