## Merry Christmas

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GIANT JACKPOTS-Folks dressed up like eskimos gathered under and around the Courthouse gazebo Sat. afternoon to find

who the lucky winners would be in the third drawing for \$1,000.00 in gift certificates given by Haskell merchants and businesses.

## 38 Haskell FFA team members participate in nine different area and state competitions

completed a successful leadership season. They participated in nine Mountain FFA competition. Five teams advanced to area and one team to state.

The Jr. Chapter Conducting team placed 2nd in district. They learned Parliamentary Procedure and Parliamentary Law. Team members were Jimmy Huff, Tom Fouts, Dan Fouts, Meg McMannamon, Blanks and Tabitha Coker.

competition. Team members were Andy Hudspeth, Brandon Acosta, Jason Trammell, John Mark Everett, and Dusty Yates.

The Farm Skills teams built and explained an electric fence. The Jr. Team was composed of Megan

## Rule Council approves cemetery budget

Attending the regular session of the Rule City Council, Dec. 1, were Mayor Malcolm Herttenberger and council members Bill Bowles, Tammy Sorrells, James Marquis, and Derrell Sorrells. Howard Brass, President of Directors of the Rule Cemetery, and Jerry Cannon also attended.

Brass presented the proposed budget for the fiscal year, April 1, 1998 through Mar., 31, 1999, for the maintenance and upkeep of the cemetery, anticipating income, expenses and reserves. The budget

#### Basketball games

Haskell VGB **Hawley Tournament** Dec. 29-31

#### Calendar

## **Mammography**

Haskell Memorial Hospital will sponsor a mammography creening day Tues., Jan. 6. The ervice, through United Regional ealth Care System's Women's iagnostic Mobile Unit, will be cated on the parking lot of the spital. Pre-registration is a equirement and can be done by ontacting Delia at 940-864-2621.

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The Haskell FFA students have Kyle Brendle, Heath Brendle, Jeff

The Sr. Chapter Conducting different contests in the Double team placed 4th in the district Hodgin, Justin Teague, Brent Watson, Mitchell Payne, Evan

> City Secretary, Marsha Vasquez reviewed information received from Gary Decker concerning investments of fire department

transfers of accounts were adopted. Delbert LeFevre was appointed to the Haskell Appraisal District's ARB board.

funds. The recommendations for

It was decided that turkeys or hams would be purchased for city employees for Christmas.

## Jackpot winners named

Eleven local shoppers were winners Saturday afternoon at the third drawing for seven Giant Jackpots in gift certificates given by Haskell merchants and

Winning \$50.00 each were Zenoble Wright, Jerry Don Klose, Barbara Furrh, Ernest Hernandez, Ron Lackey, Paul Allen, Trey Burson and Donna Tidrow. Juanita Lopez won \$100.00, Mary Biggs won \$200.00, and Roy Scoggins was the big winner with \$300.00.

The last drawing for a total of \$1,000.00 was scheduled for 3:00 p.m. Mon. at the gazebo on the northeast corner of the square.

Christian. They placed 2nd in district and 3rd in area.

The Sr. Skills team was made up of Brittany Bartley, Jodi Thigpen and Christie Blocker. They placed 2nd in district.

The Public Relations contest is a relatively new contest. The students perform a skit that is designed to show 8th graders the benefits of the FFA. Team members were Conrad Palacios, Creora Tatum, Mindy Howard and Shayne McKenzie. They placed 3rd in district.

The Ag Issues Forum is another relatively new contest. It is a debate setting that debates over critical agriculture issues in a community. The team debated over

the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Program. Team members were Jessica Thompson, Kerre Cole, Missy Teague, Amy Aycock,

Bird, Paige Hagadone, and Kristi Angela Aycock, and Stephanie Stocks. They placed first in District and 3rd in Area.

> The Farm Radio team presents a radio program on diversified agriculture. The team placed 1st in district, 1st in area and 4th in state. The team members were Bree Burgess, Amanda Rapp and Paula

Two students were creed students. These students recited the FFA Creed and answered questions about the Creed. They were Matthew Arendall and Michael Gadry. Matthew Arendall placed 4th in district.

The FFA Quiz placed lst in District. They took a written test over Parliamentary Procedure and the FFA Manuel. Team members were Tom and Dan Fouts, Jeff Blanks and Meg McMannamon.

The Haskell FA Chapter would like to thank everyone who helped the 38 students that represented our school during this leadership part of our program.

## Texas retailers to end season with sales increase

"As holiday shoppers head into the final, frenzied shopping days before Christmas, I believe Texas retailers will end the season with an average 6.5 percent increase in sales compared to last year," State Comptroller John Sharp said.

"This year's holiday sales forecast reflects the fifth consecutive year of strong economic growth in Texas. Statewide employment is up nearly 2.5 percent compared to one year ago. The Texas unemployment rate is below 5.5 percent-a 16-year low. Consumer confidence is running higher in Texas than elsewhere in the nation," Sharp

"Still, this year's holiday sales forecast wasn't easy. The sales indicators we use vary widely," Sharp said.

"Sales tax prepayments made by major retailers for November and the fourth quarter of 1997 are one element of the holiday sales forecast. Prepayments this year indicate that retailers expect sales to be up by 8.9 percent," Sharp

"We also looked at data from Telecheck, a major check clearing house. From the day after Thanksgiving through Dec. 14, Texas sales paid for by check were down 1.6 percent compared to the same period last year. Nationally, sales paid for by check were up 0.3 percent," Sharp said.

"More Texans are charging holiday purchases. From the day after Thanksgiving through Dec. 11, purchases made with VISA cards were up 11.7 percent," Sharp

"The U.S. Department of Commerce's Advance Monthly Retail sales data for November was factored into our holiday sales estimate. It shows a 4 percent increase in nationwide retail sales in November, compared to the same period last year. A survey of leading retail analysts predicts an average increase of 4.5 percent in holiday sales," Sharp said.

## Job search skills workshop set Jan. 9

A workshop for learning job search skills will be held at the Knox City Texas Department of Human Services, 606 E. Main, on Fri., Jan. 9.

Provided at no charge to the public, the workshop conducted by Peggy Cummings of Career Stop in Abilene, will be from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., with an hour break for lunch.

The workshop is designed to: help make the job search successful faster; increase confidence and selfesteem; help create a list of skills and how to show them; help build a helpful resume; learn how to obtain job leads, and how to deal with problem questions in an interview.

Interested parties are asked to contact the local Department of Human Service offices in Knox City, 940-658-3524 or Haskell, 940-864-2594.

## **Goodfellows Donations**

The Haskell Goodfellows are accepting donations for Christmas boxes to be distributed to needy families this holiday season. On Dec. 6 and 13, the names of those who qualify may be placed by application at the Haskell City Hall, between 1 and 3 p.m. Boxes will be delivered on Dec. 24 to those who have been selected to receive them. Those with donations of food, contact a Lions Club member, toys and clothing may be taken to the Haskell Fire Dept.; and cash donations may be sent to The Haskell Free Press, P. O. Box 555, Haskell, TX 79521.

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Previous total\$6	30
Total to date\$9	10



FFA LEADERSHIP-Some of the 38 students who participated in nine Double Mountain FFA leadership competitions, display the

banners they won as representatives of Haskell High School. Five teams advanced to area and one team to state competition.

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PUTTING UP THREE-Haskell Indian #23, Gavino Ortiz, goes up for a three pointer in their 61-53 win over the Cisco Lobos Photo by Bill Blankenship

#### Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 703 head of cattle at its sale on Saturday, December 20, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

Fully steady on all classes of cattle. Packer cows and bulls were

Cows: fat, .28-.34; cutters, .30-.35; canners, .20-.30.

Bulls: bologna, .38-.44; feeder, .55-.68; utility, .35-.40.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .90-1.05; 300-400 lbs., .85-1.00; 400-500 lbs., .75-.90; 500-600 lbs., .75-.85; 600-700 lbs., .72-.83; 700-800 lbs., .68-.75; 800-up lbs., .65-.73.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .85-.94; 300-400 lb., .72-.85; 400-500 lbs., .74-.84; 500-600 lbs., .67-.75; 600-up lbs., .52-.70.

Bred Heifers: medium frame

Bred Cows: young to middle aged, 530-640; aged or small, 480-

Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, 640-750; small or aged; 525-

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## **Obituaries**

#### Guadalupe Alvarez

Funeral services for Guadalupe Alvarez, 78, of He dedicated his life to serving God and had a special Haskell were held Tues., Dec. 23 at the Iglesia Bautisto concern for his community. El Calvario with Rev. Vergil Smith and Jim Garcia officiating. Memorial services were held Mon., Dec. 22 at 7 p.m. at the church. Burial was in Willow Cemetery home, five sons, Guadalupe Alvarez Jr., and Mario under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Alvarez, both of Fort Worth, and Alberto Alvarez, Roy

Alvarez died Sun., Dec. 21 at a local hospital.

Born Dec. 19, 1919 at Robstown, he married Rosa 14 great grandchildren. Peralez April 26, 1946 in Robstown. He was a pastor

He was preceded in death by one son, Ray Alvarez. Survivors include his wife, Rosa Alvarez, of the Alvarez and Alvino Alvarez, all of Haskell; one daughter, Rosie Alvarez of Haskell; 18 grandchildren and

Pallbearers were his grandsons, Wally, Alvino Jr., and choir leader at churches in both Rule and Munday. Albert Jr., Mario Jr., Lupe, and Daniel Alvarez.

#### Mary E. Lott Williams

77, of Lake Worth were held Fri., Dec. 19 at the Rule secretary. Cemetery in Rule under the direction of Biggers Funeral

Hospital in Fort Worth.

had lived in Fort Worth since 1976. She was a member relatives.

Graveside services for Mary Ernestine Lott Williams, of First Baptist Church of Lake Worth. She was a retired

Survivors include her mother, Mrs. Exa Ashley Lott Mrs. Williams died Tues., Dec. 16 at All Saints of Lake Worth; one son and daughter-in-law, Dan R. and Louise Williams of Lake Worth; three grandchildren; 5 Born Oct. 9, 1920 and raised in Haskell County, she great grandchildren; several nieces and nephews and other

#### Willie K. 'Bill' Zahn

held Mon., Dec. 15 at Hammons Funeral Home with Littlefield and Denis Zahn of Webster; one brother, Rev. George C. Price Jr. and Joey Zahn officiating. Walter Zahn of Newberg, Oregon; one sister, Alma Burial was in Littlefield Memorial Park under the Merchant of Haskell; and several grandchildren and great direction of Hammons Funeral Home.

Mr. Zahn died Fri., Dec. 12 at a Lubbock hospital.

Funeral services for Willie K. 'Bill' Zahn, 96, were Survivors include two sons, Bennie Zahn of grandchildren.

Grandchildren were pallbearers.

## Sagerton News

By Dorothy M. Clark

As the bright lights shine everywhere, we are reminded of the Light of the World, whose birthday

we celebrate this time of year and we extend our wishes to all our readers for a blessed, meaningful

Christmas and good health and prosperity for the coming New Year!!

The cotton harvest is winding down and local farmers are most thankful for a bumper crop and favorable weather during harvest. Plans are underway now for 1998 as everyone begins preparing the fields for the next crop. We're wishing for rain for the wheat and possibly will get some by the time you receive this paper.

Clifford, Theresa and Brannon Stegemoeller from Houston visited with his parents, Leon and Mae this past week and had their Christmas dinner on Friday. Emma Raphelt of Stamford spent with

them also. Members of the Methodist Church met Wednesday night for their program and fellowship. Bobby and Regina O'Neal of Rochester presented the program. Bobby is a brother of Peggy Tabor. Members and guests in attendance included Delbert and Joyce LeFevre, Herbert and Christine Stremmel, Jack and Peggy Tabor, Hazel Letz, Alvin and Ev Ulmer, Charles and Dorothy Clark, Wilma Teichelman, Francis Clark, Beatrice Puebla and family, Kinsey, Tully and Cade Brown and the Pastor Daniel Ramey, Robin, and Matthew.

The Friendship Club met Thursday noon at Faith Lutheran Church for its Christmas dinner. Alvin and Ev Ulmer furnished the turkey for the meal and Joyce LeFevre and Dorothy Toney prepared it and made the dressing. Ladies in the community provided the trimmins' for a sumptous meal. Birthday honorees for December were Pauline Dick, Meta Kupatt, Renee Dudensing, Delbert LeFevre and Sylvia Crowe. Enjoying the fellowship were Edna Diers, Anita Dozier and Hazel Letz of Old Glory, Isabell and Bubba Mrazek of Aspermont, LaVerne Stanhope, Bea Harvey, Clarence and Rachel Teichelman and Herbert and Christine Stremmel of Stamford, Pauline Dick of Haskell, Sylvia Crowe of Hillsboro, Herbert Lammert and Louie and Adeline Spitzer of Old Glory, Mary Neinast, Corene Lowack, Minnie Monse, Leona Schonerstedt, Clancy and Helen Lehrmann, Ronnie Teichelman, Ken and Cade Brown, J.B. and Dorothy Toney, Lynn, Renee and Jenny Dudensing, Lana Culpepper, Jack and Peggy Tabor, Margaret Wendeborn, Alvin and Ev Ulmer, Frances Clark, Pastor Jeff Zell, Joe and Dorothy Clark, Ed Fouts and Delbert and Joyce LeFevre. The Friendship Club meets regularly each month on the third Thursday. It is a way of getting everyone in the community together for food and fellowship. We thank Faith Lutheran Church for providing their

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## obersons celebrate Oth anniversary

Beverly O. Roberson and Billyjo wart) Roberson celebrated their wedding anniversary with ily and friends at Lawry's taurant in Dallas, Dec. 20. losts for the party were their dren, Stewart Roberson of

lene, Edwin Roberson of

las, Melissa Long, of Floydada,

Nick Long, and Molly Long,

of Floydada.

The Robersons, who met in Sweetwater, were married in Abilene, Dec. 20, 1947. They have lived in El Paso, Sweetwater, Abilene, Amarillo, Rochester and

He is a retired Haskell County Judge, and she is a retired teacher. They are members of First Baptist Church of Haskell. The couple has three grandchildren.

## **Around Town**

By Joyce Hawkins

Rev. Kenneth Blair and Charles Blair visited their sisters, Joyce Russ, Wilma Minnus and brother, Wade Blair in Fort Worth on Monday.

On Sat., Dec. 20th, Joyce Hawkins had her Christmas party at the Haskell National Community Room with ten of her living children attending. Johnny and family were unable to attend.

Those present were James and Shirley Hawkins; Jack, Deona, Justin, Jordan and Jeffery Rhems; Tom and Lana Brewster of Wichita Falls; Gary and Yvonne Huffines of Dimmitt; Brian and Paula Huffines of Amarillo, Russell, Keri, Blake, Trey, Ty and Taylor Magby of Lubbock; Glendon and Charlene Hawkins of Irving; Bobby and Darlene Hawkins of Lewisville, her sons, Chad and family and Dustin Grimes of Lewisville.

Joey, Shelly, Kristi, Laura and Taylor Krueger; Stacey Hawkins of Burnett; Alanzo, Christy, Andra and Rosie Jiminez of San Saba; Phillip, Floradean, Steven and

## Casillas crowned at Kidz Pageant

Sun., Dec. 14, Alyssa Deshae Casillas of Haskell was crowned and robed as the County Supreme Princess in the 1997 Abilene Kidz Pageant. She was also awarded first place in her age group of ten to eleven months old.

Alyssa Deshae is the daughter of Mellisa Casillas, and granddaughter of Charles and Martha Casillas and Sammy and Camellia Wade, all of

## larris, Cook wedding announced

Elizabeth Jane Harris of dland, and William Blake Cook Arlington will be married on c. 27, during a 7:00 p.m. vice at St. Luke's United thodist Church in Midland.

Parents of the bride are Robert and Linda Harris of Midland. The future bridegroom is the son of Tom and Jan Cook of Midland. The bride's grandparents are the late Leslie Simpson and Faye Simpson

Miss Harris is a 1994 graduate of Robert E. Lee High School. She attended Texas A&M University, and is scheduled for December graduation from the University of Texas, Permian Basin, where she is employed as a lab teacher's assistant.

Her fiance attended Midland schools and graduated in 1994 from Randolph-Macon Academy in Front Royal, Va. He attended Midland College and Texas Tech University. A lance corporal in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, he is employed as a fire fighter and emergency medical technician by the Haltom City Fire Department.

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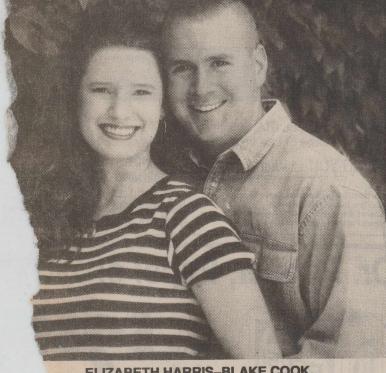
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		GOVERNMENTA	AL FUND TYPES	TOTALS (MEMO ONLY)
Data		100-199	200-499	98
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Codes		FUND	REVENUE FUND	1997
	REVENUES:	IN TEXAS	cember, new	s spiral During De
5700	Local, Intermediate, and Out-of-State	\$535,503	\$15,712	\$551,215
5800	State Program Revenues	558,393	9,888	568,281
5900	Federal Program Revenues	equipment, responsible	36,110	36,110
5020	Total Revenues	\$1,093,896	\$61,710	\$1,155,606
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	EXPENDITURES:	one even a new york	¢15 510	\$588,175
10	Instruction and Instruction-Related Services	\$572,663 71,350	\$15,512	71,350
20	Instruction and School Leadership	135,148	67,749	202,897
30	Support Services - Student (Pupil)	92,080	01,145	92,080
40	Administrative Support Services	189,964	econing (all, 12)	189,964
50 60	Support Services - Nonstudent Based Ancillary Services	100,004	notes and all the	60 seconds Rainti
70	Debt Service	9,568		9,568
80	Capital Outlay for School District Facilities	all the same		
90	Intergovernmental Charges	20,162	-	20,162
6030	Total Expenditures	\$1,090,935	\$83,261	\$1,174,196
1100	Excess (Deficiency) Revenues Over Expenditures	\$2,961	(\$21,551)	(\$18,590)
7020	Other Resources	1,541	21,551	23,092
8030	Other (Uses)	(21,551)		(21,551)
1200	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other			
	Resources Over Expenditures and Other Uses	(\$17,049)	BEGETT AT	(\$17,049)
0100	Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	321,288	431	321,719
1300	Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance			
3000	Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$304,239	\$431	\$304,670

Birthday

The children of F.A. (Alvin) Ulmer invite friends

and relatives to attend his 80th Birthday

Celebration on Saturday, December 27 at 6:00

p.m. at the Sagerton Community Center.

## OPINION

## From The Inside Out

be exact, there was this Maker and "Tell me a Christmas story, Grandpa," she said, smoothing her Barbie's cloud of platinum curls before putting the glamorous doll

to bed in her new plastic town "Well," the old man smiled, as he laid aside the newspaper. "How about the one about the reindeer on

the first Christmas?" "Oh, Grandpa, I've heard that one. I don't want to hear about Rudolph again. Tell me a new

She knew that her Grandpa would lean back and close his eyes for a moment as if searching through his memory for just the right story and then, nodding his head, satisfied that he'd found it, he'd clear his throat and begin.

"Once upon a mighty long time ago---about two thousand years, to

No gifts please.

Giver of good gifts. He had already made and given everything in the world to his children, but he saw that many of them weren't happy with it or with each other. They were troubled by discontent and didn't get along well together; fussing and even fighting among themselves over the good gifts, wasting and ruining them.

"Because he loved his children so much, he decided to send them something different; the greatest gift that could ever be given, to show them a better way to live and how to love one another.

"When everything was ready, he called in his heavenly messengers to help him. No, this wasn't Rudolph that the Giver sent to take

his gift to the earthly children. "He sent Ray of Sunshine (who pranced and danced around so much they could hardly get him harnessed up), and then came Tidings of Great Joy (who could hardly wait to get to tell all about it). After those two came Hope of Earth (who looked so calm and serene), and finally, in the lead spot, was Star of Bethlehem.

By Mary Kaigler

"Star was brilliant, and he outdid himself that night. It was all that old Ray and Tidings either one could do to keep up with him. He never missed a twinkle or blinkle all night. Even after they helped deliver the tiny package, he kept on hovering and shining over it so that the Giver's earthly children could find the gift in the dark of the

"The gift? Why, it was a baby prince, named Prince of Peace, who would grow up to bring that peace to all of the people of earth, and to show them how to live happily in the ever-after."

Snuggling up close to her Grandpa's chest, feeling the warmth and comfortable thumping of his ancient heart, she said, "Oh, Grandpa, I wish I were as old as you are so I could have known the Maker and Giver. I don't even know what his name is."

Looking down into the blueeyed, trusting, ageless innocence, her Grandpa half whispered, "Ah, but Sugar, you do know him. His name is Love."

\*Note: Taken from the files of the Free Press, this week's column was my first Christmas story written for the paper in Dec.,

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## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago

December 24, 1987 Dusty Meeks of Haskell was named the most valuable player in

Mark Young of the champion Indians also was named to the alltournament team.

20 Years Ago

December 22, 1977 Receiving 35 year pins during the annual banquet of the Haskell Volunteer Fire Department last Monday night were Ray Lusk, Raymond Davis, Jack Speer, J.B. Gipson and Belton Duncan.

30 Years Ago December 28, 1967 Mr. and Mrs. James Freshour, of Haskell, are proud to announce the birth of a baby boy, Jerry Don, 5 lbs. 1 1/2 oz., Dec. 17, 1967.

40 Years Ago December 26, 1957 Christmas Day will mark th golden wedding anniversary of M

The First Baptist Church c Munday was the setting for the wedding rites uniting JoAni Winchester and Jon Lewis Hagler in marriage Sat. evening, Dec. 21.

and Mrs. R.F. Pitman.

50 Years Ago December 25, 1947 Mr. and Mrs. Billie Kemp of Kansas City are here to spend the

Christmas holidays with thei

parents Mr. and Mrs. Giles Kemp.

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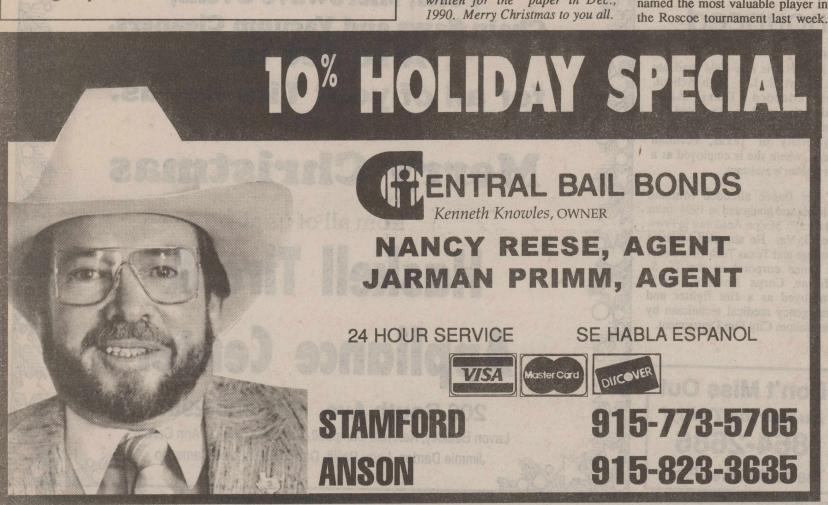
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My name is Kale Michael derwood and I am 7 months old. though I'm new at this ristmas stuff, there are a few ings I already want. I would like ything "Winnie the Pooh", he's y favorite. Please bring me some ars, trucks and tractors. Don't rget my big sister, Jenna. She has en very nice to me so far. I'll be a tomocks house, too!

Love, Kale

Dear Santa,

Would you please bring me a g purple bike, one without aining wheels. I also want a Ilmatian giga pet and a Barbie.

I bet you like chocolate chip okies, so I'll leave you some th a glass of milk.

Please be good to all the other ds, too!

Love, Katie Grand

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a bike. I'm 3 s year, so I need training wheels keep me from falling. I want a ctor, too.

Do you think you can bring a G tractor for my Daddy? I think would like that.

I'll be sure to leave you some okies and milk. I'll leave you a kle, too. I love them! See ya soon!

Levi Grand

Dear Santa, I would like you to bring me a nite TV-VCR combo. In my cking, I would like you to get e a Bugs sucker spinner. My other would like you to bring n a CD player. Thank you for all nice presents you have gave me. Your friend, Robbyn Tribbey

I am 8 months old and my Mommy and Daddy think I am just about it! I have been a very good little girl and I am trying to figure this thing out called "Christmas." I would like to have a small pillow, a cute sweater and some perfume. A few toys would be real nice. I have a wonderful, fun cousin who is really precious, also. Her name is Pepper and she lives in Abilene. Bring her some nice things, too,

Also, remember my newest cousin, Crystal, who lives in Abilene, too. I think she would like some things to play with but I'm not sure what kind. She is real cute, also. See you Christmas!

Love, Sassy

Dear Santa.

This is Anna Marie Isbell. What I want for Christmas is a baby thataway or a Barbie doll. I love my Santa Claus.

Dear Santa,

My name is McKenzie. I just turned 6. I have tried to be a good girl this year. Please bring me a Barbie Dream House, Stacy Cartwheel, a Ken and Tommy doll. and a Jungle to Jungle video tape.

Please remember all of the other boys and girls, especially my cousin, Breann. Thanks, Santa.

Love, McKenzie Barrington Kindergarten

P. S. I will leave you some milk and Oreos for a snack.

Hi! My name is Andrea M'Lyn Anderson. I am 6 years old. I want a Hip Hop Ball, a kids computer, a vet kit, Barbie horse stable, Elmo, Arizona Jean Barbie, Just Born Baby or Newborn Diaper Surprise

executive set, bean bag chair and a speedway set.

My sister, Tabitha, would like to have some money, clothes, CDs and a boyfriend. Please don't forget my cousins Clint in Amarillo and Taylor and Cody in Andrews. Next Christmas I'll have a new baby cousin in Andrews.

Stay warm and I'll leave you a snack of milk and cookies by our

Tell Mrs. Claus and your elves

I love you!

Dear Santa,

My name is Brett Shelton. I am 3 years old. I've been a good boy this year and I want a art desk, a blue truck, the chicken crow game, the cat game and I think that's all. My little sister McKenzie wants the

Baby, doll clothes, Lil' Miss Barney that's on TV and baby dolls and she don't need nothing else. Don't forget Moma and Dada.

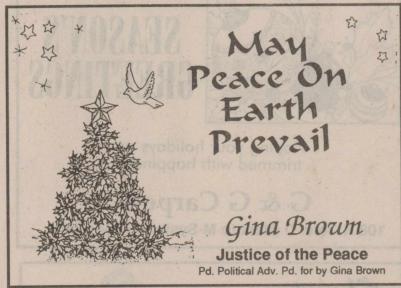
Love, Brett Shelton P. S. I'm sorry I ate your cookies and milk last year. I'll leave you some more on the table.

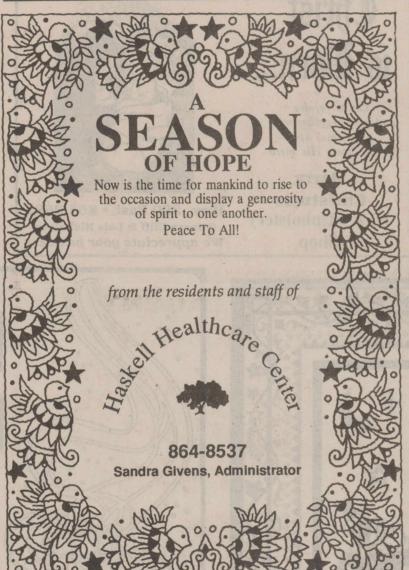
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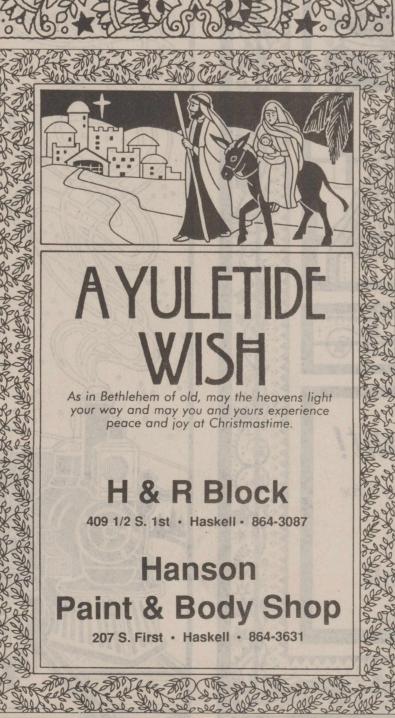
How are you! I'm great! My name is Cole Casey and I'm 2 1/2 years old! My Mommy is helping me write this letter, because I can't write yet! I have been a very good boy this year.

I would like for you to bring me a Power Wheels Jeep, a drum set, a watch and some books. I also want a tent. I will leave you some milk and cookies. Tell Mrs. Claus and the reindeer hi for me! My cousin Spencer will be here too, so please bring his things here to Haskell instead of Midland.

Love, Cole Casey

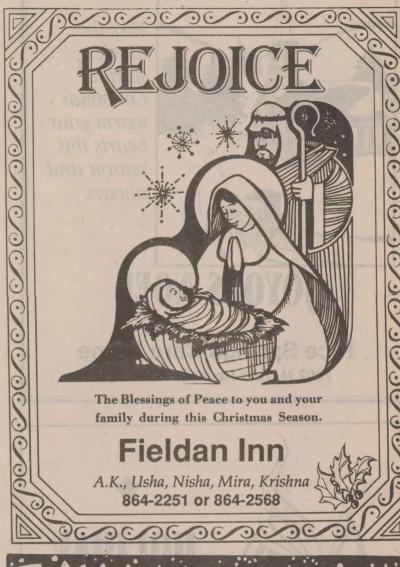




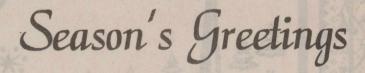


## Merry Christmas!

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Wishing a very merry season to all of our friends. Thank you for your support.

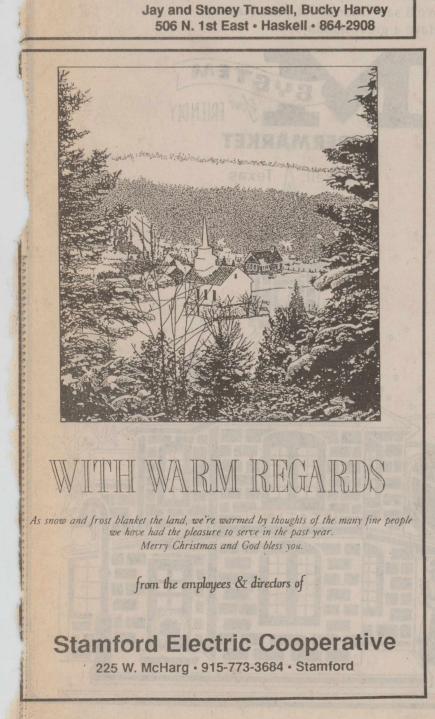
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Big or small, the holidays fill everyone's

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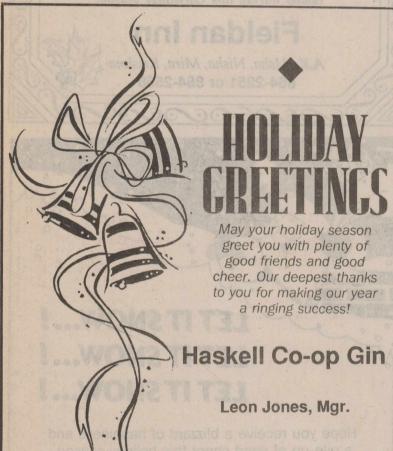
hearts with smiles and laughter.



May the timeless spirit of Christmas warm your hearts this season and always.

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## Dear Santa Claus, Please bring me a

I love you so much. When the kids come to see you, tell them not to be mean.

Thank you Santa Clause for coming to our house last night. It was so much fun. We ran outside after you left and we saw you flying away with Rudolph's red nose flashing!

I want a big Jeep. Please leave a surprise for Bridgett in her doggy stocking.

Love, Kelsie Adams

P. S. Don't knock our tree over when you come into our bedroom.

Dear Santa,

I want a Nintendo 64 and a big stuffed bear! Leave Bridgett some

Thanks for coming to my house

last night. Sorry that I didn't open the door for you, but I was in shock!

Love, Paige Adams

P. S. We'll try to make the best cookies for you. We'll try not to burn them!

P.S.S. Be careful and don't fall off of our roof!

Dear Santa,

I would like a walkie talkie, computer disks, talk with me Barbie, nail polish, dinosaurs, Jurassic Park T-Rex, a alien bean bags, an anklet, toy cats, farm animals, horses, sea animals, zoo animals, unicorns, toy dogs, a race car, a walkman, a play toy gold crown, play fan that you wave, a feather mask.

Love, Malinda

Hoping your holidays are trimmed with happiness.

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I want a Jurassic Park van and a big water gun. I would like a skate board and inline skates. I would like to get an F-14 Tomcat and a helicopter and a Mega Rig Space Shuttle. How are you doing, Santa? Thank you for anything you bring

Love, Spencer Malaise

Dear Santa,

We have been pretty good boys this year. Please bring us some Hot Wheels, a Hot Wheels race track and some Super NES games. Bring Austin anything with Winnie the Pooh and he'll be happy. We'll leave you cookies and a Pepsi. Take care. We love you.

Love,

Bryson Trussell, age 7 Zachary Trussell, age 5 Austin Trussell, age 20 months

My name is Callen Raye Pittman and I'm 6 years old. I've tried to be good all year. If you could bring me some real tools and tool case like Dad's, I'd like that. Also, I would like some army clothes, a play shot gun, some hot wheel cars, basketball goal where it goes up to 10', and a telescope. Whatever surprises you bring will be great. Remember my Bubba Ross, he would like a TV stand. He really wants a car, but Mom and Dad say not yet. Don't forget my cousins, Scott and Melody, they live in Haskell, too. Santa, we will leave you some milk and cookies by the Christmas tree. By the way, we have moved. I know you can

Love, Callen

Dear Santa,

My name is Jenna Rynea Underwood and I am 3 years old. I have been so good this year. For Christmas please bring me the new Anastassia movie, a real horse, a Barbie with a horse, a Barbie phone, Barbie bathroom and Mr. Potato head. Please remember all of the other good little boys and girls. Christmas morning we will be at my Momocks house in Electra so don't forget me and Kale.

Love always, Jenna

I want a beeny baby dog and giga pet frog of them and som hous shoes a pet frog and a doi hous a beeny baby rabbit a giga pet Mickey a dog

Jaclyn Torres

Dear Santa,

I am 3 years old and I have been a good boy. I want you to come to my house. I would like you to bring me a dinosaur, the Hunchback movie and a pistol pop gun. Please bring me little sister, Mackenzie, a baby doll. My parents would like you to bring them one good night of sleep.

Trey Larned, New Braunfels

Dear Santa,

I am 2 years old and I have been a very good boy this year. At least, Mom and Dad think so. Please bring me a black wooden train with track for it to go on and an airplane: Please remember all my cousins who will be traveling to Munday and Weinert. I will leave milk and cookies for you, and some hay and

water for your reindeer. Love, Aaron Waggoner

Dear Santa,

My name is Sara Ann Weise. I am 5 years old. I have a little brother. His name is Max. We have been very good this year. If you can. I would like a pet. A Ninja pet. Dogs and pets are my friends forever. I would also like Crazy Curls and a Princess Rappunzel Barbie. Max likes truck and guns and anything that makes noise. I ask Mom and Dad everyday, "How long it is till you come." We are trying to patient.

Please be careful on Christmas Eve. We'll leave you cookies and milk, 'cause that's what you love.

Love, Sara and Max

Dear Santa,

How are you? I think I've been good this year. I hope you bring me the game Connect Four for Christmas. Also I would like an Easy Bake Oven with extra mixes and Squand. Don't forget my family and we will leave you milk and

Love, Candace Brister





Member FDIC



Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Caitlin and I am so cited about Christmas this year! e been pretty good this year (as ood as a nearly 2 year old little ter can be).

Please bring me a tricycle, a aby doll with a bottle, some new ooks for my Daddy to read to me, anything Barney because he's ly favorite.

Just go ahead and bring my ubby whatever he asked for ecause I don't understand all that ig boy stuff. Don't forget all the ther good boys and girls.

We will leave you some milk and cookies for a snack. I love you anta Claus.

Love, Caitlin Medford age, 22 months

Dear Santa,

Would you please come to my ouse this year? My name is rennan and I'm 6 years old. Am I n the "nice" list this year? I've tried eal hard to be good this year. I feed ie cat, set the table and clean up ly room when my mom asks me , sometimes.

Please bring me a Hot Wheels arage, a new bicycle, Operation ame and a Bugs Bunny poster.

Please bring my little sister, ootie, a little tricycle and a baby oll. We will leave you two ingerbread men and some milk for snack.

Santa, thank you for bringing e and my sister presents. And on't forget to go to all my new iend's houses.

Love, Brennan Medford age, 6 years

Dear Santa Claus,

I bought a tree for you. I love ou. Please bring me a pink Barbie nd a doll. Don't forget me. I will oe a Mimi and Do's house on Christmas, not in Brownwood.

I love you, Ashton Irby

age 2 1/2 years P. S. Please remember all my pecial Haskell friends, especially Bubba, Shelby and Mackenzie.

Dear Santa Claus,

I want three Beanie babies, a 'olly parrot, a book written by ames Rice and a rubber duckie. Last year I got just what I

anted. Thank you. Love, Aubrey Bassett

P. S. I had a Polly parrot, but mebody borrowed it and never we it back. I have cried and cried out that.

Dear Santa.

Please bring me a remote control ce car, guitar, drum set, telescope, BA basketball game, big, big, big ar, Jurassic Park game, Space n, basketball and goal, talking bba, triplet dolls, talking ommy, Spike and Chuckie. Megan Bailey, age 7

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Ty Rhoads and I ve been a very sweet boy this ear. I would like a 4-wheeler, a amera, some flowers for my mom, lawn mower, and a B-B gun for Christmas. Please bring my mom and Dad something special too, and on't forget my GG and PaPa and y Granny and PaPa. I will leave

me milk and cookies for you. I love you, Ty Rhoads age 4 Rule, TX

Dear Santa, My name is Stephanie and I ave been a very sweet girl this year. Please bring me a bicycle, and one for my mama, so we can ride together, a little recliner, a Barbie Doll and a Barbie Jeep. Please bring all the other kids and my friends lots of toys too. Please bring my mama something pretty, and my Daddy would like a nice 10-point buck! Bring my PaPa a toy too. I love you and I will leave some milk and cookies on the table for

you. Have a safe trip. Love, Stephanie Threet age 5 Rule, TX

Dear Santa,

I am four years old and I want two pink skates and a pink helmet. Allison Petty

> Season's Greetings!

My name is Dylan Lance Hanson and I am almost 3 months old. This will be my very first Christmas and my daddy and mommy can't wait. I am a very good little boy, at least that's what my MaaMaa and Grandma Lonnie tell me all the time. I don't want very much for Christmas this year except a Fisher Price Musical Sounds and Light Gym. I would like for you to be sure and remember all my cousins, my aunts and uncles and my wiener dog, Ollie. He would like to have some chew-bones and a new dollie. Please give all the reindeer some good hay to eat and a hug and a kiss for me. I'll be looking for you next year! Hugs and kisses,

Dylan Lance Hanson 3 months old

Dear Santa,

I'm six years old. I want a pool table, a peter pan puzzle, a watch, checkers, and green skates and

Zeb Petty

Dear Santa Claus,

I hope you are staying warm at the North Pole. Tell all your elves hello. I am sorry I didn't talk to you when I got my picture made, but sometimes I am shy.

For Christmas this year I would like an alphabet desk, some dress up clothes and jewelry, and everything Barbie!! What I really want most of all is a Barbie Jeep for my sister and me to share. I will drive it and she can ride until she is old enough to drive.

Please remember my sister Reagan and all my friends, too. Peace on earth for everyone.

Carson Jo Hadaway

My name is Brittany and I am four years old. I have tried really hard to be good this year. Mommy says I have done a good job! It will be easy to figure out what I want for Christmas this year. Just grab a bag of Oreo's, a glass of milk, sit down in front of the TV and whatever you see is pretty much what I want for Christmas! Of course, you know I will love anything you bring. Also, don't forget my cousins, Jenna and Kale. Love, Brittany Baldwin

Dear Santa, I want a big yellow ball and a

Your truly, Koby Foster age 3 years

Dear Santa, I want a Ty Curly bear and a Ty Spike ring or a remote control car.

Yours truly, Kory Foster, age 10 years

Dear Santa.

I must admit I haven't been the best little guy everyday this year, but I will say I've had a lot of fun. Even if it did get me into trouble at times, it was worth every minute of it. I'm really trying hard to finish the year out strong being good with the hopes you'll come and see me.

I would like a new watch since I broke mine, a helicopter or airplane, a fire truck and a car. I will have a special treat for you when you get here. By the way, everyone says you will be coming in a sleigh with reindeer, but I say you're coming in a Chevy truck. I'll be looking for you though, no matter what you're driving.

Love, Shelton Toliver

Please bring me a dentist Barbie, skates, and sky blue jeans. Thank you for my gifts last year. Bubba would like a remote control car, a football and a small pair of binoculars. Please don't forget Evan, Peyton and Colin since they will be in Tennessee for Christmas.

I love you! Ashlee Short

Dear Santa:

My name is Reagan Lou Hadaway and I am only 15 months old. All this Christmas stuff is really exciting, but I did not like sitting in your lap to have my picture made.

This year I don't want much for Christmas because my sister Carson gives me great toys to play with when she is through with them. But I would like a kitchen of my own since she still plays with hers. And I love talking stuffed animals and anything Barney-he is my favorite. Carson and I would really like a Barbie Jeep to share. We like to play together and Carson says she will drive me around.

We are making cookies for you so please eat them! Peace on earth for everyone.

Reagan Lou Hadaway 1 year old

Dear Santa,

I like barbi, beanie, clothes, puzzle. Emmett wants a tractor and

Love, Veronica and Emmett

Dear Santa: All I want for Christmas are big

Ho, Ho, Ho, Merry Christmas. Ashley Adams 2 years old

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#### **Cecil's Country Meat Market** & Grocery wishes all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

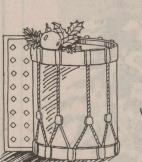
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Cecil and Sue



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Merry Christmas and thanks to all!

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You know, this is my favorite time of year. But in my eye there's a tear. I wonder what God thinks of man killing and fighting in almost every land. If man only knew how to treat his brother You see, what God wants is first to love one another. To love and care with all of our might And if we did that we wouldn't have time to fight. Say "Yes I love you" and "Yes I care" That's the kind of courage each one must bear. Love is free, doesn't cost a dime. It just takes a little of your precious time. Say hello to your neighbor and give 'em a hand. Help someone new each day, that's God's plan. **Happy Holidays from Haskell County Insurance Agency** South Side of the Square in Haskell This message from them should tell you they care. **Haskell County Insurance Agency** 



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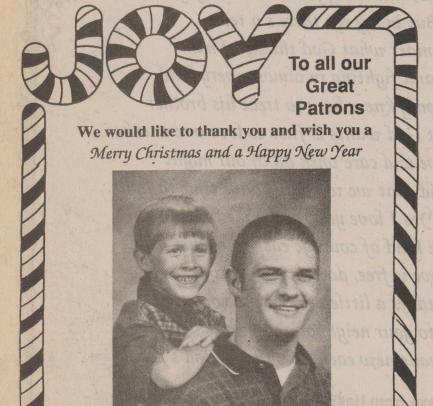


May you have every tool you need to make this a happy holiday. Thanks for your patronage.

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## Dear Santa Claus, Please bring me a . . .

For Christmas I want a Casey Cartwheel doll, a bike with a basket and stripes, a new belt, a new cowgirl hat, a new rope, a live bird and bird cage, and some new skates. I drew you a house and a rainbow picture for your Christmas gift. I love you. I have tried to be good. Am I on the good children list? I

Emily Richardson, age 5

Dear Santa,

For Christmas, I want Bomberman for Nintendo 64, new inline skates, Diddy Kong Racing-Nintendo 64, a football, electronic Karate Fighters, Tyco Tantrum, N64 black/green controller and a bicycle. That's all I want for Christmas. I have been a good boy this year. I hope you have a Happy New Year!

Bryan Richardson, age 7

Dear Santa,

My name is James Williams. I am 5 years old. I've tried really hard to be good this year. For Christmas this year, I would like two Super Nintendo games, Donkey Kong and Donkey Kong 2, Chicken Limbo, Hot Wheel Volcano set, Micro Machine Auto set and cars, either a Playstation and two games or Nintendo 64 and two games, black

Nike wind suit, and Nike black and white shoes.

Please bring my Daddy and Mommy something. Also, all my friends, cousins, aunts, uncles and grandparents. I will leave you something yummy to eat and drink.

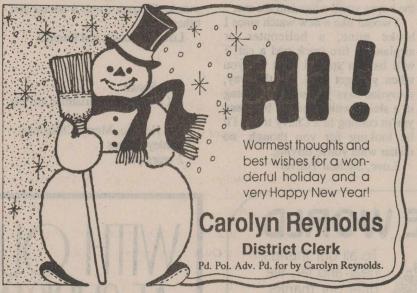
I love you, Santa. James Williams

My name is Austin Green. I am 4 years old but almost 5. I have tried really hard to be good. For Christmas this year, I would like a Turbo man doll, Flipping Master Truck, train set, talking Bubba, Big Toy Box Castle, Tickle Me Elmo, Poison Ivy figure girl, Hot Wheels volcano set, Jingle All the Way, Beauty and the Beast Christmas movies and a dinosaur fighting force set. Please bring my Mommy a Barbie and Rick some cologne. Also, all my friends, cousins, aunts, uncles, and my grandparents. I will leave you some chocolate cookies, a pecan and milk to drink.

I love you Santa. Austin Green

I have tried very hard this year to be a good boy. Please bring me a Fisher Price battery powered 4x4 Jeep, a Sing-N-Snore Ernie, and a stocking full of candy.

Love, Justice Lee Dever 16 months



Dear Santa.

My name is Brittany. I have been a good girl this year. I would like the movie Zrest and Roxanne, a Easy Bake Oven, some nice clothes, and a doll.

Thanks you, Brittany Jordan

P. S. I will put out milk and cookies. Please bring my sister Jenny and brother, Leon, something too. Thank you!

Dear Santa.

My name is Cassidy Anne Rios. I am 3 years old. I have been good this year. I sure would like some Barbies, Molly doll, a kitchen center, Winnie the Pooh things and Dalmatian things, dishes for my kitchen, and whatever else you would like to bring me would be OK with me.

Please bring my older sisters Cassie, Kristi and Casey some goodies too.

Thanks, Cassidy Rios

Dear Santa,

I want a baby bed and a barby and a sopperbopper and a beeny baby shark and a baskitball and a bear and a Gigapets 7 dogs baby Gigapets and a doll hous and a stuff dog and a Dales caboy jaket and a stuff cat and a stuff horse and a new pair of boots and a hat and a new pair of jeans and a baby and a glufs and a frosty the snowman show and a new backpack and a new show cad rood of and a Mickey shert and a

Allison Mitchell

Dear Santa,

I've been trying to be good but it is so hard. Could you please bring me a big green horse, some cows and pigs, a trailer and pick-up, and a big bike? I also want some shaving cream and a razor, another horse, a bull, and a big jacket. Please bring my baby brother Carter a pick-up. Me promise me to good.

Love, Layton Turner

P. S. We'll leave the reindeer some hay in the backyard and warm hot chocolate for you.

Dear Santa, I think I've been a good boy this year so maybe you could bring me what I want. I want a treasure chest, pirate ship, nerf gun, remote control car, and a trampoline, too. I also want some shaving cream and razor so I can shave with my Dad and a bunch of boards so I can make things. Please bring my brother Carter a little car, a baby scooter, and a Christmas tree for his room.

Love, Logan Turner P. S. We'll leave you some hot chocolate and chocolate chip cookies and some hay for your

Dear Santa.

Hi! How are you? My name is Ryder Kaine Harris. I am 5 years old. I have been a good boy this

For Christmas this year I would like to get a Jurassic Park race track, hum vee and tracking motorcycle. Also a Star War's At-At Walker, Darth Vader's ship and Laser Tag. You might get Mom a Barbie, since that's what girls like, and Dad a skateboard, if he don't want it, I'll take it.

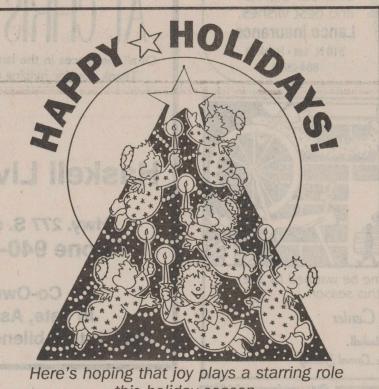
I love you Santa and Mrs. Claus too! I'll leave you some milk and cookies for your long trip. Tell the reindeer's Hi and I'll leave them some of Molly B's hay to eat. Please remember all the other good boys and girls.

Love, Ryder Harris

Dear Santa,

My name is Breanna and I am three years old. I have been way better than my sissy this year. Her name is Brittany. Mom says we have both been angels! This year I want a Tickle Me Elmo doll. I didn't get one last year because they were way to popular. I also need new clothes and a bigger bike. I'm growin', ya know! Brittany and I wanted to say thank you for the playhouse last year. It's great! Also, don't forget my cousins Jenna and

Love, Breanna Baldwin



this holiday season.

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We'd like to thank each of you personally, but we've made too many good friends in the past year to find the space to list them here.

So to all of you, our very best wishes go for a very Merry Christmas and a ho...ho...ho!

## **Double A Drive In**

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# 33. 12

AUNCHING A LONG ONE-Indian Maiden #13, Wendy Gray, scores three points against the Cisco Lady Lobos.

Photo by Bill Blankenship

Look who's

Sweet

Sixteen

and wants the keys to the car!



## Basketball scores

Girls
Cisco 62, Haskell 52.
Scoring by quarter; 7, 12, 13,

Individual scoring; Gray 14, McCullough 3, Alvarez 6, Burgess 14, Rodela 3, McKenzie 12. JV score; Haskell 36, Cisco 12.

Aspermont 44, Haskell 33.
Scoring by quarter; 10, 8, 5, 10.
Individual scoring; Alvarez 2,
Tatum 2, Burgess 2, Tidrow 4,
Bartley 5, Rodela 6, McKenzie 12.

JV score; Haskell 33, Aspermont 25.

Moran 52, Paint Creek 48. Scoring by quarters; 10, 14, 13. 11. Individual scoring; Medford 11, Strickland 2, Isbell 8, Waldon 4, Salinas 13, Rodriquez 6, Waters 4.

Boys
Haskell 61, Cisco 53 (OT)
Scoring by quarters; 7, 14, 12,
16, 12. Individual scoring; McGuire
3, Nichols 5, Briles 19, Ortiz 10,

Cheyne 23, Steele 1.

JV score; Haskell 48, Cisco 41

Aspermont 60, Haskell 58. Scoring by quarter; 12, 8, 17, 21. Individual scoring; Ortiz 17, Spells 16, Briles 11, Cheyne 11, McGuire

JV score; Haskell 54, Asperment 47.

Paint Creek 68, Moran 59 (OT) Scoring by quarter; 15, 12, 18, 14, 9. Individual scoring; Lamb 8, Martinez 22, Goss 10, Davis 13, Reel 15. Records; Paint Creek 8-3.

Paint Creek 76, Megargel 57. Scoring by quarter; 20, 23, 18, 15. Individual scoring; Lamb 17, Martinez 17, Reel 17, Davis 13, Goff 10, Shackleford 2.

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COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND SIMILAR TRUST FUNDS
YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1997

		GOVERNMENT	AL FUND TYPES	TOTALS (MEMO ONLY)
Data		100-199	200-499	98
Control		GENERAL	SPECIAL	AUGUST 31,
Codes		FUND	REVENUE FUND	1997
	REVENUES:			1 100
5700	Local, Intermediate, and Out-of-State	\$1,353,512	\$45,597	\$1,399,109
5800	State Program Revenues	3,355,312	37,062	3,392,374
5900	Federal Program Revenues	5,150	466,873	472,023
5020	Total Revenues	\$4,713,974	\$549,532	\$5,263,506
	EXPENDITURES: VACIALIZATINT HOS		TA	
10	Instruction and Instruction-Related Services	\$2,637,537	\$210,365	\$2,847,902
20	Instruction and School Leadership	310,349	7 To 1977 19	310,349
30	Support Services - Student (Pupil)	380,605	277,233	657,838
40	Administrative Support Services	245,281	in Cowwaig a mi	245,281
50	Support Services - Nonstudent Based	591,744	_ linkanH	591,744
60	Ancillary Services	New Covi	95,033	95,033
70	Debt Service	37,716	minister 2 a m	37,716
80	Capital Outlay for School District Facilities	585,016	- Hadasi	585,016
90	Intergovernmental Charges	145,536	- bea	145,536
6030	Total Expenditures	\$4,933,784	\$582,631	\$5,516,415
1100	Excess (Deficiency) Revenues Over Expenditures	(\$219,810)	(\$33,099)	(\$252,909
7020	Other Resources	1,470	21,431	22,901
8030	Other (Uses)	(21,399)		(21,399
1200	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other	nurlU	Selection of	Vergil Squib (men
	Resources Over Expenditures and Other Uses	(\$239,739)	(\$11,668)	(\$251,407
0100	Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	3,129,428	28,192	3,157,620
1300	Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance	(4,727)	18 9 9 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	(4,727)
3000	Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$2,884,962	\$16,524	\$2,901,486



#### **Chamber Chatter**

The final Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting for 1997 was a well attended meeting by members of the Board of Directors. The Board's next meeting will be

President Dickie Greenwood reported on the successful annual chamber meeting held Nov. 20. The meeting produced several good topics and projects that the 1998 Chamber board will be addressing and trying to complete.

Doris McMeans was recognized

as Haskell's Citizen Of The Year, a special business service award went to Joe and Sarah Cortez, and Dickie Greenwood was presented with an out-going president's plaque. The Chamber of Commerce had a very productive year under Dickie's leadership...Thank you Dickie for a iob well done.

December will be a busy month for the Chamber and its board members with two ribbon cuttings scheduled: a new business, Rike Real Estate and a relocation,

Conner Nursey and Floral. The Christmas lighting and decoration judging was announced and held on Dec. 11. The winners were announced in the Free Press, our congratulation to all the winners and a special "Thanks" to all citizens of Haskell for making our town so festive during this holiday

season. Fred Hernandez and Mark Wallace gave a report on their county wide roping. Everything went well and had a good turn-out by calf ropers. Fred and Mark did a good job in organizing and conducting this event. Thanks Mark and Fred for you interest and efforts.

Shane Hadaway reported that the Brazos West Art Club would look into fixing up the mural on the square. The Chamber would share in this project. It was reported that the funds for fencing bean supper project, which the Chamber shared a part, was a success. The fencing project will cost around \$5000, and the bean supper raised around \$1000.

The Chamber will sponsor a hospitality seminar (workshop) for its members in February, 1998. All member were notified about this project. This will be a pilot program for the Chamber.

A big Texas "Thank You" to the County Judge and the Commissioners and county workers for helping with our Christmas Lighting Project for all of town. The Chamber would also like to say a special "Thanks" to workers of WTU for all the their Carol Posey, Doris McMeans,

By David Middleton

Bo Tatum, and Conrad Roewe, the Merchants' Committee of the Chamber put together and conducted our annual Christmas drawings for gift certificates and Haskell buck. With over \$4000 raised, a special thanks goes out to this hard working committee- a job well done!! Many, many thanks to the businesses and merchants of Haskell for making all of this project possible. You all are truly "Haskell Alive."

The last business of the monthly meeting as made by the nominating committee. New board members were announced and will take their place on the board at the January meeting. They are Chan Guess, Debbie Barbour, Trey Burson, Gil Richardson, and Ruby Turner. Mark Wallace was named President of the Board for 1998, Sammy Larned, 1st Vice-president, Shane Hadaway, 2nd Vicepresident; and Carol Posey, treasurer. A sincere thank you to our outgoing board members for their efforts and their interest in Haskell. They are Dickie Greenwood, Doris McMeans, Tom Hairgrove, Fred Hernandez and Ruby Turner. With a new board in place, a number of topics and projects to complete, the Chamber looks forward to 1998 with great expectations!

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December 20,	1997
Farmers Co-op Gin	7011
Haskell Co-op Gin	14,579
O'Brien	
O'Brien Gin	13,362
Rochester	
Rochester Co-op Gin	2292
Rule	
Rule Co-op Gin	6022
Sagerton	
Sagerton Gin	3500
Weinert	
Paymaster Gin	4690
Weinert Gin	5247
Total Rales	56 703

#### **ECC Menu** and Calendar

Monday, December 29 Lunch-Hamburgers, pint beans, tomatoes, onions, lettuce apple carrot salad, banana pudding Wednesday, December 31

Exercise-10:30 Lunch-Steak, gravy, potatoes cole slaw, mixed vegetables

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Jan. 5.

## RESOLVE TO START THE NEW YEAR WITH FAITH

The New Year for many of us usually brings an occus of festivity, followed by a well-meaning but generall short-lived list of drastic personal reforms. However, one resolution is all you'll ever need if you will let faith strengthen your determination to become a better person. Let the first page of the new calendar represent that new leaf you are turning over, and if you will resolve to attend the Church of your choice regularly throughout the coming year, all the other items on your list will undoubtedly take care of themselves

#### ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

-HASKELL-East Side Baptist Church David Page, pastor Sun. 8:30 a.m., 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m. 600 N. 1st East, Haskell Christian Church Dusty Garison, minister Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 107 N. Ave. F, Haskell Church of God Eric Clark, pastor • 864-2021 Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7:00 p.m.

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

Vergil Smith, interim pastor Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 607 S. 7th, Haskell First United Methodist Church 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., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 1500 N. Ave. E, Haskell St. George Catholic Church

Father Michael Melcher Sat. Mass 7:15 p.m.; Sun. Morn. 9:00 a.m. 901 N. 16th, Haskell Church of Christ

Dale Huff, minister Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 10:30 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m. 510 N. Ave. E, Haskell First Presbyterian Church Jasper McClellan, pastor

Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 11:00 a.m. 306 N. Ave. E, Haskell **Trinity Baptist Church** Rev. Kenneth Blair Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p. 401 S. Ave. D, Haskell

Hopewell Baptist Church John Lewis, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 908 N. Ave. A, Haskell

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Freddy Perez, pastor Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.m. 200 S. Ave. F, Haskell Mission Revival Center Rev. William Hodge

Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m. 1600 N. Ave. B, Haskell First Baptist Church Jim Turner, pastor

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

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

-WEINERT-First Baptist Church Joel Rister, pastor Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.

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

-ROCHESTER-Church of Christ Steve Wilis, minister Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m. West on Main Street, Rochester First Baptist Church Ed Buerkle, pastor Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m. 500 Main, Rochester

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Union Chapel Baptist Church

Rev. Andrew

Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.

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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

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-RULE-First Baptist Church Scott Hensley, 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 **New Life Baptist Mission** Jesus Herrera Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. Elm Street·Hwy 380 E, Rule **Sweet Home Baptist Church** 

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

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LOCATION OF ESTRAY WHILE IMPOUNDED: Paint Creek Ranch, Billy Lamb.

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