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Bi-District game
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Softball games

Albany Tournament
Thursday & Saturday

Baseball games

Haskell vs. Anson
Thurs., 4:30 p.m.
at Haskell
Haskell JV vs. Anson
Mon., 6 p.m.
at Anson

Calendar

Partners for Children

Partners for Children will meet Tues., March 3 at 7 p.m. at the Elementary School. Topic will be 'Gumming it up: Stick Together.' This is the first meeting in a new series to help families to deal with bonding, sibling rivalry and discipline. Free babysitting is provided by calling 864-2654. Free transportation is being provided by calling 864-2008.

Kiwanisfest dinner

The Haskell Kiwanis Club will sponsor its annual Kiwanisfest roast beef meal Sun., March 1 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Haskell Civic Center. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. Children under 3 are free. Tickets will be \$1 more at the door. Tickets are available at Haskell National Bank, First National Bank, Sport-About or from any Kiwanis Club member.

EMS CE course

A continuing education course for all levels of EMS will be held after March 1. For information call Todd Barnes 864-2621 ext. 212 or 864-3067.

Social Security

A representative from the Social Security Administration will be in Haskell at the City Hall annex Thurs., March 5 at 9:30 a.m.

Lodge meeting

The Sons of Hermann Lodge meeting will be held Sun., March 1 at the Irby Hall. The meeting begins at 3 p.m. The Grand President will present a 70-year membership pin to Alma Merchant. The meal is pot luck. Members are asked to bring a cake for a cake walk.

Mammography

Haskell Memorial Hospital will sponsor a mammography screening day Thurs., March 5. The service, through United Regional Health Care System's Women's Mobile Diagnostic Unit, will be located on the parking lot of the hospital. Pre-registration is a requirement and can be done by contacting Delia at 940-864-2621.

Send-off

Everyone is encouraged to help send-off the Haskell Indian basketball team on Friday at 4:20. The team will depart for Cisco where the bi-district championship game against Chico will be played. Game time is 7 p.m. Fans should line the square and display their flags and support the team.

Hamburger supper

Weinert Fire Department will host a hamburger supper and political forum Sat., March 7 at the Haskell American Legion Hall beginning at 5 p.m. The supper, consisting of hamburgers, chips and drinks, will cost \$4.00. Tickets are available at the door. Political candidates are invited to participate in the forum. Take-outs will be available.

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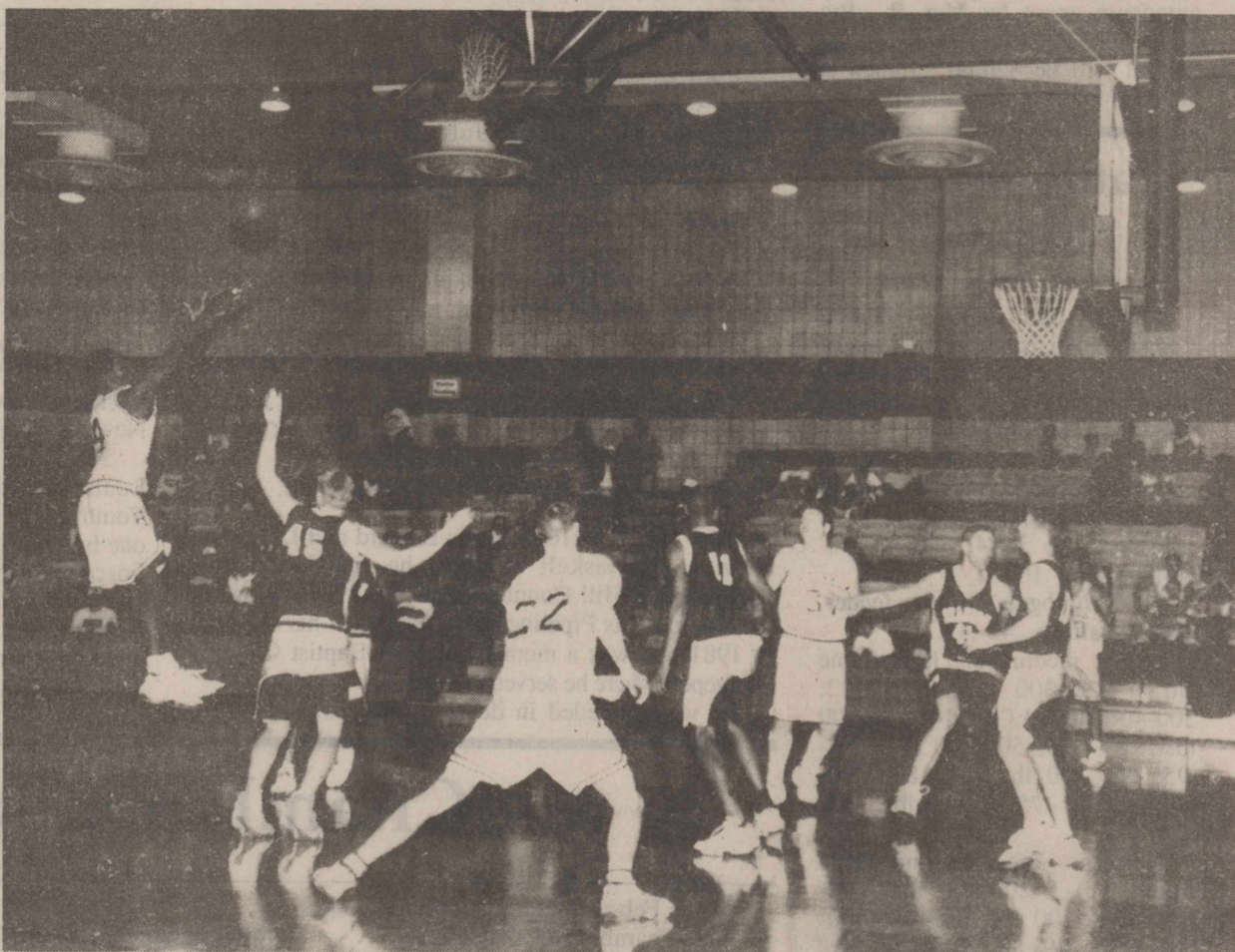
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WINNING PRACTICE--Robert Spells (4), shoots for two against Stanton in a practice game in Merkel Sat. Feb. 21. It ended Indians 58, Stanton 81.

Photo by Bill Blankenship

Rule Chamber of Commerce Banquet set Tues., March 3

The Rule Chamber of Commerce banquet will be held at 7:00 p.m. Tues., March 3, at the Rule School Cafeteria.

Entertainment for the night will feature the Country Jukebox, a well known country/western band from South Plains College in Lubbock. Under the direction of Rusty Hudelson, Assistant Professor of Music, who is in his seventh year of directing as well as singing and playing keyboards and accordion, the group takes its act on the road several times a year, as well as

doing six TV shows.

The 1998 version of Country Jukebox promises to be one of the best ever. The cast includes Matt Arnold of Alpine, on drums, Jesse Brownfield of Deming, N.M. on guitar and vocals, Preston Eldridge of Almagordo, N.M., on bass and vocals, Steve Harvbour of Cabot, Ark., vocals and lead guitar, Christi Martin of Slaton on keyboard and vocals, Taryn Schuette of Houston, guitar and vocals, Matt Skinner of Alpine, guitar and vocals, Cory Williams of Kress on fiddle, and

Bobby Williford of Three Rivers on vocals and guitar. John Hartin, Professor of Music and Chairman of the Creative Arts Dept., also plays steel guitar with the group.

Other highlights of the evening will be naming the Man and Woman of the Year, door prizes and the dinner prepared by the Rule Junior Class mothers.

Tickets for the event are on sale for \$7.50 advance, \$8.00 at the door. They are available at Rule City Hall or from any Chamber member.

School trustee election May 2

At the regular session of the Haskell CISD Trustees on Feb. 17, students were recognized from both Haskell High School and Haskell Elementary for accomplishments at the Haskell County Livestock Show. They were: Mindy Howard, for Grand Champion Steer; Missy Teague, for Reserve Champion Heifer; Maggie Brzozowski, for Grand Champion Chicken; Bree Burgess, for Grand Champion Rabbit and Reserve Champion Pen of Rabbits; B. J. Opsahl, for Grand Champion Lamb; and Ross Bullinger, for Reserve Champion Lamb.

The resolution to order the May 2, trustee election was approved. Election judges and clerks approved were: Judges, Charles and Leatrice

Swinson; Early voting Clerk, Billie Lindsey; Alternate Clerks, Lisa Teague and Karen Ratliff; Voting Clerks, Helen Elliott, Wanda Morrison and Tommie Andrada.

It was announced that drivers education classes may be offered to out of district students, who do not have certified driving instructors, for the driving portion only.

In other business: extra-curricular status was given to members of Haskell County 4-H; Superintendent comments were given on adding a fire suppression system to both the high school and elementary cafeteria kitchens; Information was given on Project S.A.V.E. (Stop Alcohol Violations Early) by Jim Rumage.

In new business, contracts were

extended for Billie McKeever, Jim Rumage, Jimmy Lisle and Bryan McCulloch.

Vote set March 11 for Boll Weevil Eradication program

Haskell County cotton farmers and landowners with cotton production are eligible to vote in a March 11 referendum that will determine whether a boll weevil eradication program should continue in the 22-county Rolling Plains Central Boll Weevil Eradication Zone.

Eligible voters in the Rolling Plains Central Boll Weevil Eradication Zone should receive an official ballot by mail the week of Feb. 18. A postage-paid return envelope will be included. Completed ballots must be postmarked before midnight, March 11 to be counted. Producers who planted cotton in 1997, but do not receive a ballot should contact the Texas Department of Agriculture at (512) 463-7593.

In addition to deciding if an eradication program should continue in the zone, voters will elect a board member from the Rolling Plains Central Zone to serve on the statewide board of directors for the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Inc.

Those candidates seeking to represent the Rolling Plains Central Boll Weevil Eradication Zone on the Statewide board are Woody Anderson of Mitchell

County and Mike Massey of Nolan County. Both candidates are cotton producers who farm in the zone and who have grown cotton for at least seven years.

Unlike establishment referenda where two-thirds of all voters must approve a proposition, a majority of those returning ballots will determine whether an eradication program will continue. Growers in the Rolling Plains Central Zone initially approved a boll weevil eradication program Dec. 1, 1994 and a maximum assessment of \$10 per land acre to fund it. If cotton producers vote to continue the program, the assessment rate will remain at the level.

The March 11 referendum for the zone was established by new legislation that corrects a constitutional problem found by the Texas Supreme Court with the statewide boll weevil eradication program. Under the new statute, the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation continues to carry out the program. However, TDA takes on additional responsibilities that include setting new elections on assessments and eradication programs in regional zones and appointing advisory committees for each zone.

Blood drive successful

The Haskell Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, Steven Bird, and his family want to express their appreciation to people of the Haskell Community for the huge turnout for the blood drive held for Steven.

Meek Blood Center in Abilene reported 72 blood donors were present, and 52 units of blood were collected. Marshall Anderson, Donor Recruiter, and his staff were pleased with the turnout.

Those participating in the blood drive include: Robert Acosta, Nancy Adkisson, Laura Alsbrook, Wesley Alsbrook, Robert Batny, Tom Bassett, Kimberly Berry, Andrea Callaway, Minnie Camacho and Milton Christian.

Amanda Cothron, James Crawford, Curtis Wayne Darden,

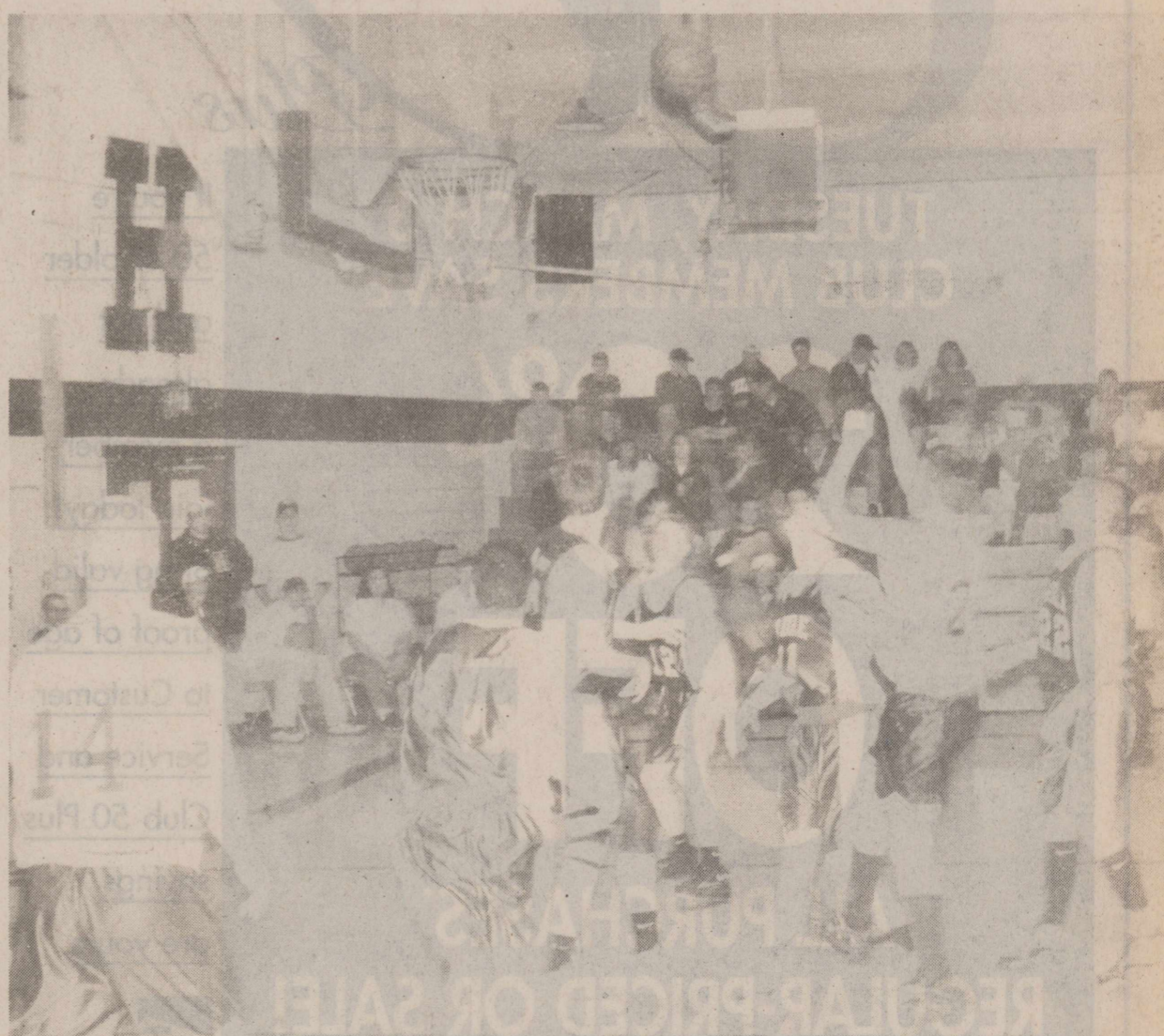
David Davis, Mary Dewey, Jill Druessedow, Marci Elmore, Douglas Farber, Gina Foster and John Foster.

Duncan Garison, Kathy Garison, Deward Gordy, Wendy Gray, Cory Green, Jeremy Harlan, Frank Jenkins, Ronald Jeter, Leon Jones and Beau Klose.

Kenneth Lane, Sammy Larned, Zachary Martin, Paul McGuire, Billy McKeever, Chris McSmith, Marci McSmith, Debbie Moore, Myra Myers and Shannon Myers.

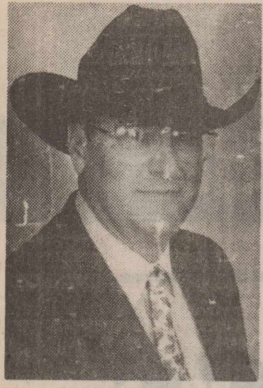
Michael New, Robbie Peiser, Melba Pharr, John Pike, Anna Rieger, William Riley, Bobby Roberts and Kay Smith.

Billy Swinney, Kenny Thompson, Linda Trussell and Joe Yates.



PIRATE POINTS--Going up for another basket, the Pirates played the Bobcats to a finish in the game which ended Rule 58, Paint Creek 48. Rule played Aspermont in a play-off game last Tuesday night for the Bi-District title.

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Nuisance Wildlife Appreciation Day set March 11

By Greg Kaase
Haskell County Extension Agent
The Nuisance Wildlife Appreciation Day will be held at the Haskell Civic Center on Wed., Mar. 11 for residents of Haskell, Jones, Knox, Stonewall and Throckmorton counties.

Registration opens at 9:30 a.m., and the program is from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Persons planning to attend should preregister with Kaase or their local county extension agent by Mar. 2. Pre registration cost is \$10.00. At the door it will be \$20.00. Lunch is included in the registration cost.

Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 915 head of cattle at its sale on Saturday, February 21, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

The market was fully steady on cows and feeder cattle and \$2 to \$4 higher on stocker cattle.

Cows: fat, .38-.41; cutters, .36-.44; canners, .18-.32.

Bulls: bologna, .48-.51; feeder, .58-.72; utility, .42-.45.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.10-1.22; 300-400 lbs., 1.09-1.14; 400-500 lbs., .85-1.00; 500-600 lbs., .82-.95; 600-700 lbs., .72-.87; 700-800 lbs., .71-.75; 800-up lbs., .65-.71.

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Bred Cows: young to middle aged, 490-650; aged or small, 450-550.

Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, 630-750; small or aged; 475-600.

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Obituaries

Edna Mae Lyles

Graveside services for Edna Mae Lyles, 90, of Haskell were held Thurs., Feb. 19 at Willow Cemetery with Dr. Troy Culpepper officiating. Services were under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home.

Mrs. Lyles died Wed., Feb. 18 at a local hospital. Born Oct. 26, 1907 in Farmersville, she married William Alonzo Lyles Feb. 5, 1927 in Greenville. He

preceded her in death July 10, 1964. She came to Haskell in 1935, opening Lyles Jewelry Store with her husband in that same year. She retired and closed the store in Oct. of 1992. She was a member of the Magazine Club, The B&PW Club, and the Haskell Chamber of Commerce. She was an active member of the First Baptist Church. Survivors include several nieces and nephews.

Velma Lou Hertel

Funeral services for Velma Lou Hertel, 82, of Rule were held Sun., Feb. 22 at the Faith Lutheran Church in Sagerton with Rev. Jeff Zell officiating. Burial was in Old Glory Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Robison Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Hertel died Fri., Feb. 20 at a nursing home in Stamford.

Born Aug. 21, 1915 in Collin County, she married John Alfred Hertel Jan. 23, 1932 in Durant, Okla. He preceded her in death July 9, 1983. She was a homemaker and an artist. She had lived in Rule for 53 years. She was a member of the Faith Lutheran Church in Sagerton.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, five sisters, and one grandson.

Survivors include two sons and daughters-in-law, Kenneth Alfred and Eloise Hertel of Hamlin and William Frank and Margie Lynn Hertel of Sagerton; two daughters and sons-in-law, Annella Lou and Melvin Baitz of Sagerton and Kay and Leslie Baitz of Leander; one brother, Charles Cleveland of Aspermont; one sister, Mary Smith of McKinney; two sisters-in-law, Nora Duke and Nora Hertel, both of Benjamin; one brother-in-law, Johnny Hertel and wife, Kathryn, of Falmore, Okla.; 9 grandchildren; 28 great grandchildren; and one great-great grandchild.

Grandsons were pallbearers, Dwayne Hertel, Gary Hertel, Marshall Sliemp, Fred Baitz, Mark Cotton, Mike Hertel, Kenney Taylor and Jack Ralph.

Memorials may be made to Faith Lutheran Church, Rt. 2 Box 7, Sagerton, TX 79548.

Louis Edward Newton, Jr.

Funeral services for Louis Edward Newton, Jr., 82, of Bridgeport were held Feb. 20 in First Baptist Church in Bridgeport with Rev. Bill Dye officiating.

Mr. Newton died Tues., Feb. 17 in Decatur.

Born Jan. 8, 1916 to Louis Edward and Laura Ellen Newton in Haskell County, he married Mildred Blackburn in Hill County March 19, 1938. He worked for Natural Gas Pipeline from 1954 until his retirement in 1981 and was a member of First Baptist Church in Bridgeport where he served as a deacon.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother,

Glendon Newton; and sisters, Ruby McDonald, Hazel Newton and Willie Pearl Overman.

Survivors include his wife of 60 years; three sons, Louis Newton and his wife, Matilda, John Newton and Tommy Newton and his wife, Janie, all of Bridgeport; one brother, Leon Newton of Haskell; two sisters, Silvia Force of Abilene and Mamie Griffith of Tuscol, grandchildren, Brian Newton, Sarah Burcham, Tiffany Newton, Joe Newton, Kimberly Raby and Lee Newton; great-grandchildren, Ryan Newton, Dyllan Burcham, Tyler Raby and Emilee Newton; and many nieces and nephews.

Chamber Chatter

By David Middleton

At the February Board meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, First Vice-President Sammy Larned welcomed Roger Roewe to the board. Roger will fill out the unexpired term of Conrad Roewe. Debbie Barbour submitted her resignation to the board which was accepted with regrets. A thank you note from the Alton Middleton family was read to the board.

It was reported that several people in our city are working toward securing a drag race track. Ben McGee is to meet again with the SBA concerning this project. There seems to be an interest about this project from our surrounding

area. Monty Montgomery reported to the board about the prison, giving an update on the progress of this project. Monty reported that the truck stop is on hold at the present time; a domestic problem is in process. The chamber board voted to make a donation to the Funds for Fencing campaign. We hope to see this project complete before our Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Rodeo takes place.

Sammy Larned, vice-president of the board reported that our clean up campaign will get under way sometime this spring. We are all looking forward to this project.

The Chamber will work hand in hand with the county and the city for this worthwhile project. We would hope that all citizens of Haskell will support and help in this project.

The Chamber sponsored a Texas Hospitality Seminar. Our hospitality leader was Suzy McElmurry of McElmurry Consultants of Odessa. The Chamber hopes that all who took the seminar enjoyed the classes and obtained some useful information. The Chamber would like to thank the Haskell National Bank for allowing the use of the HNB Community Room as the headquarters of our seminar. We do appreciate being able to use the room.

Our Wild Horse Prairie Days are underway. All of the committees are working and trying to organize for the 3rd annual WHPD. Mark your calendars for June 5, 6, 7, 1998, for this special event.

The Board was notified that our Christmas Tree has been planted on the courthouse lawn. It is a 12 foot tree.

The Chamber board is still looking into an improvement project on the downtown mural. Shane Hadaway gave a report about a touch-up to the mural. No action on the project as of yet. We are still securing information about paint, painter, and cost of project.

The Chamber is planning to have a membership social sometimes during the first quarter of the year. More information on this event will be forthcoming. The Chamber Board of Directors will hold their March meeting, Mon., March 2.

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Haskell Co. Gin Report

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Haskell Co-op Gin	15,050
O'Brien	
O'Brien Gin	14,232
Rochester	
Rochester Co-op Gin	2760
Rule	
Rule Co-op Gin	6156
Sagerton	
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Weinert	
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Weinert couple celebrates 60th wedding anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Raynes, Sr. of Weinert, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with a family dinner at the Branding Iron in Rochester.

Hosts were the couple's children and their spouses: Frank and Roberta Jenkins of Haskell; Bobby and Betty Raynes of Weinert; Donald and Mary Nell Coltharp of Seymour; George and Patsy Snawver of Holliday; Ronnie and Delores Stewart of Munday; and Bill and Dorothy Jetton of

Brownwood.

R. W. Raynes, a native of Texas born in Buffalo Gap, and Crystella, a native of Wyoming born in Big Muddy, were married February 11, 1938, in Iran.

The couple moved to Weinert in 1943 where R. W. farmed until his retirement and Crystella is a homemaker.

They have fourteen grandchildren and twenty-two great-grandchildren.



WILLIAM TOSH DUNIVEN—LYNNANN WHITELEY

Whiteley, Duniven plan Spring wedding

Dan and Jonie Whiteley and Dorothy Keeter wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, LynnAnn Whiteley, to William Tosh Duniven. Will is the son of Roger and Maureen Duniven of Paint Creek.

LynnAnn is a 1995 graduate of Albany High School. She completed two years of college in

Denton at University of North Texas and has transferred to Texas Tech where she will complete her education in Human Development.

Will is a 1994 graduate of Paint Creek High School, and now is an employee of Stamford Electric Co-op, (REA) in Stamford.

The couple plans a spring wedding and will reside in Paint Creek.

Historical Commission pledges support to library expansion

At the Feb. 16 meeting of the Haskell County Historical Commission, members pledged their support to assist in creating interest in the planned expansion of the Haskell County Library. As planned, the expansion, which will include a new County Historical Museum, will not incur new county expenses. A depiction of the exterior of the proposed new complex will soon be made available by County Judge David Davis for inspection and display.

Announcing plans to display old pictures in local businesses, as part of their emphasis on heritage, the Commission requests that anyone having items that might help stimulate interest in the rich history of the county, contact Margo Troyer

at 997-2750.

Marguerite Gauntt, chair of the committee to videotape the memories of experienced citizens, announced that a video of Grace Helton of Jud has been completed.

Historical markers for the Half Gallon Store and Rhoda rural school will soon be installed, sponsored by Rhoda alumnae Dovie Anderson and Allene Whorton of Rule, and Grace Helton of Jud.

The Mar. 16 meeting of the Commission will be in the home of Joyce Turner of Rule.

Additional representatives to the Commission are needed from the O'Brien, Sagerton and Weinert area. Interested persons are asked to contact any Commission member.

Garden Club sets Spring convention in Haskell March 6-7

The Spring Convention of District VIII of Texas Garden Clubs, Inc., will be held March 6-7, in Haskell and Stamford with Haskell Garden Club and Stamford Garden Club hosting the affair. Convention chairmen are Mrs. Alyeen Overby of Stamford and Mrs. Marion Carlisle of Haskell.

Activities begin with registration at the Haskell National Bank Building at 4:00 p.m. followed by a Dutch treat dinner at 6:00 p.m. on Friday at the banking facility.

On Sat., March 7: registration and coffee at First Baptist Church, Stamford from 8:30-9:30 a.m. Executive Committee meeting at

8:30 followed by business session at 9:30.

Lunch will be served in Fellowship Hall of First Baptist Church followed by a design program. Speaker for the occasion will be Dan Harwell, Horticulturist and Floral Designer of Abilene.

Family celebrates 59th anniversary, 90th birthday

Felix and Lydia Klose of Haskell celebrated their 59th wedding anniversary on Friday, Feb. 20. On Sunday, Feb. 22, their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren gathered in the Klose home to celebrate Mr. Klose's 90th birthday with a meal together.

Rev. David Page to be recognized in San Antonio

Pastor David Page will be among 16 ministers recognized Feb. 24 at the closing session of the Assembly of Representatives of the Texas Conference of Churches in San Antonio. He was a 1997 Rural Minister of the Year nominee.

In his four-and-a-half years as pastor East Side Baptist Church, Page has provided many avenues of ministry for members of the church. These opportunities include a weekly Bible study for men, a program helping children from divorced families and an innovative summer children's ministry.

Page is the benevolence director of the Haskell Ministerial Alliance and serves on the Haskell Authority Board of Directors. His

other community service includes working with the Noah Project Board in counseling families involved in domestic violence and helping the police department to counsel victims of abuse and those involved in suicide attempts.

Since joining the church, Page has led the congregation into two Sunday morning worship services and continues to use the radio ministry on KVRP to reach those in a hundred-mile radius.

In addition to fulfilling his commitment to the church, Page is currently working on his Ph.D.

Hospital

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Students in the News

More than 3,800 Texas Tech University, Lubbock, undergraduate students qualified for academic honors lists at the end of the fall semester.

Students on the President's List earned a 4.0 (A) grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours of classwork. Students who earned 12 or more hours with a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.9 qualified for the Dean's List.

Area students making the honor rolls included Lyle Fouts, a chemical engineering major of Haskell and Nicole Marie Holcomb, a dietetics major, of Rule.

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OPINION

Legal Matters

By Attorney General
Dan Morales

A couple of years ago, two Houston-area computer store proprietors operated a computer bulletin board. Through the bulletin board, they persuaded two 15-year-old boys to meet them, then sexually assaulted the youths. Many parents whose children have computers were concerned when they heard about this case—and rightly so. We at the Office of the Attorney General join the FBI and the US Department of Justice in warning parents about the need to protect children from predators who use the Internet.

How widespread is it?

As of December 1, 1997, the FBI's investigations of child pornography on the Internet have generated 351 warrant and consent searches, 148 indictments, 164 bills of information, 139 arrests, and 163 felony convictions.

Most of those arrested pleaded guilty. The court overturned only one conviction on a technicality. Many crimes against children go unreported, however, especially if the child does not want to discuss and activity with a parent. These figures could easily be the proverbial tip of the iceberg.

Citing the First Amendment right of free speech, the Supreme Court struck down the federal Communications Decency Act provisions making it a crime to transmit "indecent" material to children online. That ruling leaves it up to parents to protect their children from online abuse.

Rules to protect children

The FBI suggests the following rules for parents supervising their children's use of the Internet:

- Never allow children to have unsupervised access to the Internet.
- Keep the computer in a public area of the home, never in a child's bedroom.
- Make it a habit to periodically, and without warning, observe what children are doing on the Internet.
- Make use of the Internet a group or family activity in which all members of the household can participate.
- Never respond or allow your child to respond to messages or bulletin board postings that are suggestive, obscene, belligerent, or harassing.

Learn the services provided by your Internet service provider or online service. Determine whether the system allows you to block your child from accessing certain areas, such as chat rooms, and take advantage of those types of services.

Monitor the times of day that your child accesses the Internet or online service and the duration of the sessions. Excessive time online, especially during the evening or late night hours, may indicate a problem.

Educate your children

Teach children that whenever they communicate online, they should never give out identifying information, such as phone numbers, addresses, last names, social security numbers, or names of schools they attend.

Remind children that whatever they are told online may or may not be true. A person who claims to be a 12-year-old girl may, in fact, be 50-year-old man. Children should never upload pictures of themselves to people that they do not personally know. They could be uploading their pictures to pedophiles.

Most importantly of all, instruct your child never to arrange a face-to-face meeting with someone he or she has met on the Internet.

What if you get suspicious?

If you become suspicious that your child is misusing the computer, discuss your concerns with the child and consider examining the hard drive for inappropriate material.

Parents who discover suspicious computer-related activity involving children should call the CyberTip line at (800) 843-5678. This hotline, funded by a U.S. Justice Department grant, is monitored by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. CyberTip's Web site can be found at <http://www.missingkids.com/cyber-tip>.

State Capital



HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

Attorney General Dan Morales said last week that Gov. George W. Bush and state legislators are delaying the settlement with the tobacco industry and withholding money that should be going to children's health care.

"The money is sitting in the bank. Thousands of children are sick. Let's get that money to the kids," Morales was quoted in the *Austin American-Statesman*.

Under federal law, Texas' \$15.2 billion settlement with cigarette makers could become effective Feb. 23, a date 30 days after U. S. District Judge David Folsom approved it. According to Morales, Texas could begin using the money that day, to extend health insurance to 72,000 poor children across the state.

Bush and the legislators rebutted Morales' assertion, saying that state law, which requires the Legislature to appropriate money before spending it, prevents them from immediately spending it. Legislators must write a new state budget when they convene in January 1999.

"It's not up to Morales to decide how to distribute that money. The money will be distributed through the appropriations process," said Sen. Troy Fraser, R-Marble Falls.

Fraser is one of seven state senators who have filed a motion to prevent expenditure of the settlement.

Test Preparer Lauds Program

A new Texas A&M program that doesn't require the Medical College Admissions Test for some students has drawn praise from a company that prepares incoming students to take standardized tests.

Paul Cohen, a spokesman for Princeton Review, said the MCAT and other such tests are poor indicators of a student's ability. "If these tests really measured how well you were going to do in medical school and law school, you couldn't take a test-preparation course and go up 6 points. We don't make our students better doctors or lawyers. We make them better test-takers," Cohen said, adding that he believes the tests are racially biased.

The A&M program, which addresses declining minority enrollment, recruits students from areas with large minority populations. It offers guaranteed admission to the A&M medical program to applicants who maintain a high enough grade-point average in an approved curriculum.

TAAS Guides Shipped

Copies of a study guide to help students pass the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills exit exam have been shipped to high schools across the state.

The "Working Through TAAS" guides cover the same skills that

are taught in school and tested on.

Education Commissioner Mike Moses said, "The new guides will help the students be better prepared for the TAAS when they take it again next month."

High school students must pass the TAAS to graduate. They may take it up to eight times starting in their sophomore year.

TAAS guides—designed to help parents tutor their children over the summer—will be available in June for students in third through eighth grades.

Austin Seeks Rail Funding

Austin's transit agency is preparing a proposal for \$100 million in federal money for a light-rail passenger service. This spring, congress is to decide what projects get funded.

Also competing for federal funding is the Austin-San Antonio Corridor Council, which wants to build a commuter rail line connecting San Antonio and Round Rock.

Both projects address the need to relieve ever-increasing traffic congestion along Interstate 35.

Presently, Dallas is the only other Texas city with light-rail service.

Other Capital Highlights

The University of Texas board of regents has approved the construction of a \$40 million dormitory to open in the fall of 2000. The cost is estimated at \$40,000 per bed for 1,000 students or \$45,000 per student if it is built to house 800 students.

The Texas Supreme Court ruled Feb. 13 that Dallas Area Rapid Transit can withhold records requested by *The Dallas Morning News* in the 1997 death of a 9-year old girl. The child was crushed beneath the rear wheels of a DART bus as she was returning from school. The matter now goes to the appeals court.

Concerned about low pay and high turnover of nonteaching staff, University of Texas faculty voted to donate a portion of next school year's raises to the staff. The move will provide about \$300,000 more for staff.

The Texas attorney general's office is conducting an investigation into Microsoft Corp.'s business practices, but a state district court judge ruled last week that the computer software giant can maintain agreements it has with other companies to keep some information about their dealings secret.

The Texas Department of Public Safety is warning owners and players of "eight-liner" casino-style gambling machines that they could face criminal charges if found using or operating them. There are an estimated 20,000 such machines in Texas.



From The Inside Out

By Mary Kaigler

"As women's fabric art, quilts speak of warmth, closeness, intimacy, contact and union between persons," writes Radka Donnell in *Quilts as Women's Art*.

"In their quilts, women never only address their own needs; they also extend their solace to other human beings. They are courageous enough to carry their hearts on their sleeves and in their quilts, sharing their rhythm, warmth, and vitality."

The butterfly pattern quilt now being finished by sharing, volunteer quilters at the Experienced Citizen's Center in Haskell will soon be raffled off to raise funds for the Center. Seeing them at work on it, and reading Donnell's philosophical quilts poetics, wraps me up and stretches me into a thoughtful frame of mind.

The scene of women sitting around the ever-shrinking perimeter of a quilt-in-frame, their needles never stopping as they visit together, exchanging news and thoughts, is a familiar one in my memory. The quilting frames Dad made and suspended above the kitchen dining table during my childhood were seldom empty of a quilt, either for us or the Tipton's Home for Children. There, Mama sat quilting the grid of the block patterns pieced from scraps, making them into practical covers that she also took great pride in making beautiful. I took it for granted as just being a part of woman's work to keep her family and others warm.

I see it now as an art of words and hands for her, developed against the isolation brought by

circumstances and prevailing culture of the times. With every stitch she was, as the poem *Quilt*, by Zana Seigel describes, "patiently making small stitches, joining the edges of our lives for strength that works both ways."

For women of many generations and cultures, restricted in other ways to speak out—finding a voice to express themselves—perhaps the solitude of their quilting was therapy, as they worked through the pains, lovings, doubts, wishes, struggles, plans and hardships; silently stitching up the raw seams of their lives.

Donnell wrote that, "The seam is a woman-created connection, evoking a women-inspired version of equality. Working in cloth can be a powerful means of solace and inspiration. The hospitable, comforting, enveloping nature of cloth quilts—their purpose and their substance—makes a quilt a solacing object. Quilts recall and embody the first and greatest solacing agent in our lives; our mothers."

Left motherless at age 16, when her 36 year old mother, Mary Wiseman died, my mother Lennie and her younger sister, Annie, carefully folded and put away the bright quilts their mother had made for their "hope chests".

When their father remarried, they silently cried in the night, anguished over their pretty quilts which his new bride took to use on her own marriage bed. Being taught and expected never to speak out for themselves, they dutifully and quietly suffered, enduring the pain of the injustice and loss of this one

last tangible gift of a mother's love to her daughters.

My own 65 year old Dutch Doll pattern quilt, made from scraps of my first grade cotton-print dresses, is a tactile expression of my mother's love and joy at finally having a daughter to sew for. Always an art handed down from grandmother to mother to daughters, quilting is something I wish I'd had the disposition to learn. Instead, the fabric of my thoughts of life must be woven and stiched with my words.

Raised from the bed to the wall, used and valued in every sort of decorative setting, quilts have achieved widespread popularity as art objects, bought and sold at ever escalating prices. Now no longer done from necessity, perhaps quilting is still a quiet, yet powerful expression of women speaking out, creatively piecing together the separation and connectedness of all of life.

Today, at quilt events, fairs, shows and benefits, women quilters bond together in their interests, contributing mightily to the arts and worthy causes.

One group of women is doing just that at the ECC. In the "silent dialogue between hand and eye," as Donnell's poem speaks of the act of quilting, they are making something that I know I'll buy a ticket for. I'd love to wrap myself up in their butterflies.

Thought for the Week

"What a man does for others, not what they do for him, gives a man immortality." —Daniel Webster

From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago
February 25, 1988
The Haskell Indians will meet Jim Ned in the bi-district playoff at McMurry gym in Abilene. Maidens ended their season with the title of bi-district champs.

20 Years Ago
February 23, 1978
Texas Department of Health announce that the City of Haskell was free of bacteria in the water supply.

30 Years Ago
February 22, 1968

Steven Harper, a Junior at McMurry College, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Harper, of Haskell, has been placed on the Dean's List.

A modern and beautiful new wing to Rice Springs Care Home has been completed, making a total of 56 beds now.

40 Years Ago
February 27, 1958

Boys and girls can make bids on a deluxe bicycle at the Gandy's Haskell Auction. Cut the top off the 1/2 gallon milk and ice cream cartons and bring to the auction.

Coach Ray Overton and five members the Indian squad attended the H-SU football game in Abilene. The members were Jim Brock, Cleve Ferrell, Dave Galvan, David Conner and Lyndon Harris.

50 Years Ago
February 26, 1948

The local post of the American Legion have announced two events to take place—a dance with music by the Brown Derby orchestra and an old fashioned Box supper.

The formal opening of the new Clifton Grocery store, one-half block east of the southeast corner of the square. Managers are Mart, Ben, Martelle Clifton and Hubert Bledsoe who is in charge of the market department.

80 Years Ago
March 2, 1918

H. Hutchinson of Haskell, has purchased the Haskell Rubber Co. from W. H. Starr, and will have charge of the vulcanizing and garage business.

Oscar E. Oates has left for Austin to make application to enter some branch of the armed forces.

R. C. Montgomery has returned from Fort Worth, where he attended the annual meeting of the State Bankers Association.

Letters to the editor

Dear editor,
Thanks to all the special people who made the Noah Project Variety Show a success. Thanks, especially to all the donors for the silent auction; the performers; the kitchen crew; and emcee. Thanks to our underwriters. And a special thanks to all who attended. Without community support, Noah Project would not be possible.
Sandy Forehand

Dear editor,
The Nursing Staff would like say Thank You to the Haskell

Hospital Auxiliary and the Haskell community. The Auxiliary has purchased a microwave and a patient geri chair for the hospital. This was made possible by your support and donations to the Thrift Store. The volunteers for the Thrift Store work hard, but say they really appreciate the opportunity to help the community. We always need volunteers and if you would like to be a part of this worthwhile organization, we need you. Contact Melba Pharr 864-2621.

Melba Pharr, R.N.
Director of Nurses

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CUB SCOUTS AWARDED—Nate Webb and Charlie Smith received the Arrow of Light award from Dale Bullinger, Asst. Scoutmaster of Troop 136, during the Arrow of Light Ceremony at the Blue and Gold Banquet, Feb. 21.



SCOUT LEADERS—Recognized at the Cub Scout Blue and Gold Banquet were: left to right, Ronnie Webb, retiring Cubmaster; Kay Smith, Double Mountain District Scouter of the Year, and Andrew Ottaway, incoming Cubmaster.

Haskell Cub Scouts hold annual Blue & Gold Banquet

Haskell Cub Scout Pack 136 held its annual Blue and Gold Banquet Feb. 21 in the American Legion Hall.

After the welcome by Ronnie Webb, Cubmaster, and the invocation by Shane Brue, pastor of First United Methodist Church, the national anthem was led by Joe Thomasson.

After the supper, Webb introduced special guests. Guest speaker Judge David Davis who spoke on "Scouting", was

introduced by Andrew Ottaway.

Following the Council Moment, given by Jody Holland, Cubmaster Webb awarded Adult Service Pins to Den Leaders and Awards of Rank to scouts for years of service and participation.

During the Arrow of Light Ceremony, Asst. Scoutmaster, Dale Bullinger recognized Den 1 Webelos II, Nate Webb and Charlie Smith.

A Parent's Prayer was participated in by the adult audience present.

Den 1 Webelos II Den Leaders are Kay Smith, Darrell Smith and Ronnie Webb. Den members are Charlie Smith, Nathan Webb, Ramon Cuellar, Kendall Mitchell and Zach Haley.

Den 4 Wolf Den Leaders are Sammy Bitner and Tina Bitner. Den members are Samuel Bitner, Daniel Rodriguez, Weston Rutkowski, Moses Munoz and Barretti Thomasson.

Den 3 Webelos I Den Leaders

are Don Kretschmer, Julie Kretschmer, Mynea Short and Clifford Short. Den members are Cody Kretschmer, Caleb Hudgens, Kory Foster, Cameron Short and Justin Hannsz.

Den 5 Bear Den Leaders are Bonita Tatum, Andrew Ottaway and Donna Chesnut. Den Members are Rylie Tatum, Jared Webb, Hayes Ottaway, B. J. Jacques and Aaron Chesnut.

Andrew Ottaway is the incoming Cubmaster.

Shields wins Stamford Electric Cooperative contest

Anson sophomore Tamala Shields will join over 1,500 other teens across the country for a 13 day all-expense-paid tour of Washington, D. C. as the winner of Stamford Electric Cooperative, Inc.'s Youth Tour Speech Contest held Feb. 19.

Shields, the daughter of Tim and Tammy Shields, is involved in FFA, tennis, cheerleading, and 4-H. Her hobbies include reading, cross-stitching and showing livestock.

Todd Richardson, a junior at Stamford High School was named alternate. Other contestants

included Callie Bunn, Stamford; Jennifer Collins, Lueders-Avoca; Brandy Gardner, Paint Creek; Gina Versyp and Sonja Whitehorn, Hawley.

Each contestant presented a speech on the subject "Electricity, The Power of Choice" and answered a question from the judges.

Judges for the contest were Renee Brown, Coleman County Electric Cooperative; Edwin Jackson, Midwest Electric Cooperative; and James McKee, Taylor Electric Cooperative.

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RONNIE
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for
Haskell County
Commissioner
Precinct 2
Pd. Pol. Adv. Pd. for by Ronnie Chapman, campaign treasurer

To the Voters of Haskell County,

My name is Wallar Overton and you will find me listed as a candidate for the position of Justice of the Peace on the March Primary ballot. Although I have tried to contact every voter in the county, it now becomes apparent that this cannot be accomplished and I am relying on this means to at least introduce myself to you and ask for your vote in March.

I was raised in the Paint Creek community between Haskell and Stamford and graduated from Paint Creek ISD in 1957. I enrolled in Texas A&M University and was a member of the Corps of Cadets, graduating with a degree in Agronomy and commissioned as a 2nd Lt. in the United States Army. My tour of duty was as an Armor officer serving as an Armored Cavalry Platoon Leader, Troop Executive Officer, and as Border Officer in charge of surveillance of the East/West German Border. It was on this tour that I met Steffi Ziegler, who I convinced to come over to marry me ten years later. From that marriage, we have two sons, Hans and Marcus, now attending Angelo State and Texas A&M University respectively.

Being discharged from the service as a Captain, I returned to Paint Creek and since then, I have contributed to my community, county and nation where I could and I honestly feel that I have made an impact. A partial list includes the Masonic Lodge for 30 years, the Paint Creek School board for 18 years, the Paint Creek Water Supply Corporation board for over 14 years, Aggie Muster chairman for five counties for 10 years, the Farmer's Co-Op gin board, Governor's Agricultural Committee, Democratic Precinct Election Judge, Haskell County Historical Commission, Paint Creek Methodist Church Sunday School teacher and Administrative Council, and the ASCS Community Committee. In each of these capacities, I have served with some of the finest Haskell County citizens in a cooperative spirit to accomplish our goals.

Anyone who has known me for any length of time, will tell you that one of my primary interests is with our youth and I am deeply concerned with their future. To that end, I suppose that I am most noted in this area for my association with the Boy Scouts of America for over 50 years. As a youth, I received the Eagle Scout and God and Country awards. As an adult, I was Scoutmaster of Troop 48 for 20 years and am now serving as District Chairman for the area North of Abilene, a member of the Council's Executive Board, and this year's Scoutmaster of the Council's Scoutmaster Basic Training course held at Camp Tonkawa. Our Boy Scout Council also allowed me the privilege of serving as Scoutmaster for 32 boys at a National Jamboree in Virginia and adult advisor for a canoe trip into the Canadian wilderness. I am a firm believer that the Scouting program gives our young men rules to shape their lives by and promotes the things we value most in our society.

In the military, I served on several Special and Summary Courts Martial boards as well as serving as both trial and defense council. I am also familiar with school law from my association with the Paint Creek ISD and laws pertaining to public health and public funds from my association with the water system. These, plus serving on numerous Grand Juries, have given me insight as to how the law applies to everyone and has given me many sources from which to draw further advice and direction when needed.

I feel that I can bring these principles into the office of the Justice of the Peace in Haskell County, as I have surrounded myself with them throughout my life. I have thoroughly enjoyed the campaign thus far and meeting so many fine citizens from all walks of life. I hope that this partial resume allows you some insight into who I am and how I can fit into the position of Justice of the Peace of Haskell County.

I would ask each voter in the county to please find the time to vote in the Primary Election on March 10th whether it be by early voting, voting by mail, or going to the polls. YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT! I appreciate and am ready to serve you.

WALLAR OVERTON: CANDIDATE FOR THE JUSTICE OF THE PEACE OF HASKELL COUNTY
Pd. Pol. Adv. Pd. for by Wallar Overton

Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Ruby Smith spent several days in Spur visiting her sister Clotis and helped her celebrate her birthday.

Frankie Don White of Jacksboro came on Friday and went with Joyce White to take grandmother, Dora Hollie to Abilene for a doctor visit. Dora is feeling much better at this time. Frankie Don returned home after spending Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Glendon Hawkins and Tamara of Irving spent the weekend visiting parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Walters and Joyce Hawkins.

Sonny and Carolyn Reynolds went to Vernon Friday to watch granddaughter, Leslie, play basketball, then spent the night with daughter and family Tim, Laurie, Leslie and Matt Gross. Reported lots of rain in that area.

Greater Independent Baptist was at Hopewell Baptist Church Sunday evening for their Black

History program. The theme was "Striving together for one common cause". From Numbers 10: 29-33 Other guests were Revival Center, Elder Hodge; West Bethel, Elder Dever; Weeping Mary, Rev. Smith; Union Chapel, Rev. Walker; Mt. Oliver, Rev. Hooper; West Beulah, Rev. Robinson; Macedonia, Rev. Wade; Liberty COGIC, Elder Ward; and Brian Burgess, First Baptist Church.

The community Brother Hood was held at West Bethel Baptist Church of Rule, Elder Dever, pastor.

Guests in the Mae Lou Yeldell home was Angela Jordan, H-SU, Abilene, granddaughter, her friend, Josee Mugabo Rwanda Central East of Africa; Angela's mother, Pat Jordan of Stamford; her brother-in-law, Bill Yeldell of Stamford, and his wife, Mary, from Shamrock.

Paint Creek FHA members to attend conference

The Paint Creek chapter of Future Homemakers of America will be attending the Region II Conference to be held in Wichita Falls, Feb. 27-28. The chapter members will be among 1000 delegates attending the two day conference. The youth developed theme, "A Sea of Opportunities with FHA/HERO", will be carried out through workshop and general sessions where members will discover ways to become actively involved in issues facing today's youth. Some of the issues that will be addressed at the meeting will be family ties, substance abuse, self-esteem, child abuse, leadership, etiquette, handwriting analysis, and home economics careers.

STAR Events (Students Taking Action for Recognition) are competitive events in which members will participate at regional meetings. These events

will allow the members to showcase their life skills in different areas of competition. Also the new officer team for 1998-99 will be elected to lead the region to greater heights.

Paint Creek FHA members will be competing in three STAR Events: Job interview, Chapter Showcase, and Focus on Children. Participants are respectively, Heather Hobbs, Stefanie Isbell, Candace Everhart, Delinda Strickland, and Selina Salinas.

Future Homemakers of America is a dynamic youth organization that has the family as its central focus. Future Homemakers of America is considered the "Best Kept Secret". Members learn leadership and life skills related to parenting and child development, management, interior design, food science, institutional maintenance, hospitality, and career awareness.

Ear infections usually need physician's diagnosis

Antibiotics cannot cure all ear infections. Yet symptoms of ear infections are routine enough for some children that their parents begin making the diagnosis. They may telephone the doctor in hopes of obtaining an antibiotic prescription without an office visit. Sometimes that works.

Dr. Kathleen Billings, assistant professor of otorhinolaryngology at UT Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, says parents and even older children may correctly recognize the symptoms of ear infection. However, she says parents should be cautious because antibiotics are not effective or necessary for all ear infections.

A doctor must examine the child's ear to determine whether the pain and fussing are caused by acute media (which generally is treated with antibiotics), chronic otitis media with effusion (which may not require antibiotics) or a viral infection.

Billings warns that overuse of some antibiotics has made them ineffective against some infections. "A physician should determine whether to give a child antibiotics," she said.

Children who suffer from chronic otitis media with effusion may find relief with tubes implanted in their ears to drain fluid buildup.

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Rule 4-H Club sets meeting for March 17

Feb. 17, Rule 4-H held their monthly meeting in the school cafeteria. Members in attendance

were Abby Dudensing, Emery Dudensing, Holly Wolsch, Mackenzie Miller, Miranda

Robinson, Kortney Kupatt, Sam Kittley, and Laci Standefer.

The group discussed the up coming event "Share-The-Fun" and details of the fashion show.

The next meeting is scheduled March 17.

Car drivers lose in wrecks with big rigs

by Lou Gilly

Haskell Co. Extension Agent

It takes special driving skills and knowledge to drive safely around big rigs. You cannot drive around the big rigs the way you drive around other vehicles. The most important tip is to give a wide berth to the big rig.

Statistics show that collisions between large trucks and lighter vehicles frequently result in death to the driver or occupants of the other vehicle. In 80% of fatal accidents involving big trucks and lighter vehicles, it is not an occupant of the big truck who dies.

Those big rigs are different because they have a much longer stopping distance than other vehicles, and longer still on wet roads. The ability of the rig driver to control their rig during emergency braking is very limited. Also, truck drivers cannot see you nearly as well as you can see the truck, and if there is a crash, you lose.

Drivers of smaller vehicles need to practice the following safety tips:

•As a general rule, keep as much space as possible between your vehicle and large trucks.

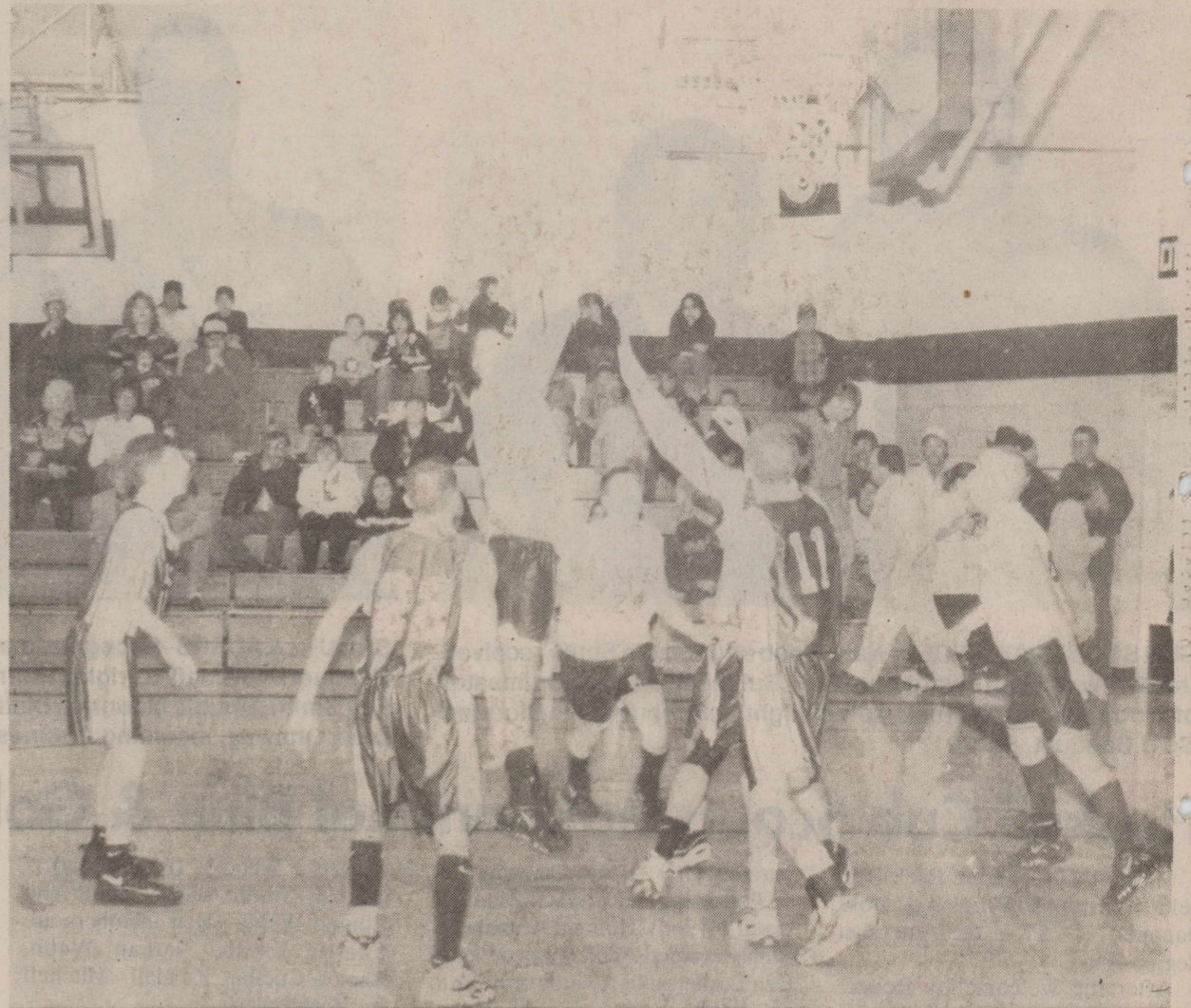
•Do not cut in front of a truck just because you see open space there. That space is the truck's cushion of safety because of its longer stopping distance. If you have to stop suddenly, it will be very difficult for the truck to avoid hitting you. Also, if the truck has a long hood the driver may not see you at all.

•Do not linger alongside a truck; you may be in the truck's blind spot. The size and configuration of many trucks, especially those with trailers, create large blind spots for truck drivers. If you cannot see a truck driver's face in one of his mirrors, he cannot see you and probably does not know that you are there.

•If you are following a truck and cannot see the truck's side mirrors, you are driving too close. The driver cannot see you, so back off.

•Always give trucks plenty of room when they are turning. The relationship between the cab, mirrors and trailer change constantly during a turn, creating varying blind spots. Also, trucks need extra space to turn because of their size.

A collision with a large truck can have tragic consequences for the occupants of the smaller vehicle. Always adjust your driving around the big rigs.



UP FOR TWO—Paint Creek Pirates score a two pointer in the game with the Rule Bobcats, which ended Rule 58, Paint Creek 48.

Graffiti artists draw legal action from TxDoT

You've seen their work - on stop signs, on billboards, under bridges, on building walls. To graffiti artists any surface is a canvas.

Despite the fact that graffiti is seen practically everywhere, it is against the law, unsightly and unsafe. Legislators have gotten tougher on people who practice the craft, and according to the Texas Department of Transportation, whose signs are often graffiti targets, it couldn't come at a better time.

A new law, passed this last legislative session, increases criminal penalties for graffiti offenders. Under the law, offenses range from a Class B misdemeanor to a first-degree felony, depending on the cost to repair the property that is vandalized. For example, vandalizing property that costs from \$1,400 to \$20,000 to repair and remove graffiti is a state jail felony carrying a sentence of up to two years in jail. In addition to imprisonment, state jail felons can also be fined up to \$10,000.

"If you vandalize most any type of TxDOT property, you run the risk of committing a state felony because most of our property costs a least \$1,500 to fix the damage from the graffiti," said Martin Turentine, Abilene district maintenance manager. And while most TxDOT street signs cost in the hundreds, graffiti offenders still won't be able to skirt the heavier penalties.

"If you vandalized several signs, the law allows us to combine the costs of all vandalized signs, meaning you could still face a stiffer penalty," Turentine said.

Turentine added that the penalties under the new law don't just stop at fines or incarceration. Persons convicted under the law face driver's license suspension.

According to TxDOT, over the

past three years, the department has spent an average of over \$500,000 a year to remove graffiti. Although the street sign is often a favorite mark of graffiti writers, it isn't uncommon to find graffiti messages on retaining walls, concrete traffic barriers, bridge components, culverts and concrete-lined channels.

"We've had our share of problems here in Haskell county," Earl Proctor, Haskell county roadway maintenance section supervisor, said. "Although incidents of vandalism to our signs has cost us thousands of dollars in the past few months, we've been fortunate that the Sheriff's Department has been able to catch most of the culprits. Persons caught can serve jail time and or pay a fine to the county depending on the findings of the judge. But, all persons found guilty must pay restitution to the Texas Department of Transportation for the property they damaged. In just the past eight months, charges have been filed against several individuals for vandalism to state property.

"Problems with graffiti on bridges, overpasses, culverts, and signs, and vandalism to our signs costs us plenty. It's not only costly in terms of money, but also

in terms of manpower. Removing graffiti and replacing vandalized signs takes time, time that we need to spend on other jobs."

Turentine agrees, "Replacing vandalized road signs as well as graffiti cleanup is costly and requires our employees to work extra hours that they could be using to maintain the roads. In FY 97, it cost the Abilene district \$103,750 for graffiti cleanup and replacement of vandalized road signs."

There's also another cost that can't be measured in dollars and cents.

"Whenever someone defaces state property, particularly our signs, they destroy the message on that sign whether it's stop, or yield or lane closed ahead. The message is there for a reason: to warn drivers about a traffic condition," Turentine said. "If drivers can't read the sign or the sign has been removed, they won't know about the traffic condition, and they won't know to take precautionary measures."

"Graffiti and otherwise defacing or removing signs may seem innocent enough, but it's not. I puts people's lives at risk, and that's not innocent. That's dangerous."

Over-the-counter eye drops can cause serious problems

Over-the-counter eye drops designed to reduce redness can actually cause more serious problems. Researchers at the Cullen Eye Institute at Houston's Baylor College of Medicine found that these nonprescription drops can produce conjunctivitis symptoms, such as redness, swelling and itching.

"Some people experienced a

rebound effect, where their eyes became increasingly red," said Dr. Douglas Koch, an ophthalmologist who co-authored the study. "The other problems we found were allergic reactions in the eyes and eyelids and swelling of the eyelids."

Artificial tears, without medications to reduce redness, are safe alternatives, Koch said.

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<p>Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Southwestern Bell) filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) to charge an additional 26 cents per month per line to recover costs for providing Expanded Local Calling service (ELC) to certain Texas Customers.</p> <p>The 26 cents per month surcharge would not be billed to customers who receive ELC. However, customers who receive ELC and pay less than the maximum \$3.50 a month residential ELC charge or less than the maximum \$7 business ELC charge will have to pay the additional 26 cents per month charge.</p> <p>Expanded Local Calling was created in 1993 by Texas legislation that requires telephone companies to provide toll-free calling between small towns that share a community of interest such as a school or hospital district. The legislation allows telephone companies to recover costs not paid through customer charges by applying a surcharge to all other customers in the state who do not receive the ELC service or who do not pay the maximum ELC rate. The maximum monthly ELC rate allowed under state law is \$3.50 per line for residential customers and \$7 per line for business customers.</p> <p>Southwestern Bell estimates that the 26 cents per month per line charge will recover the \$27 million annual cost of providing ELC service that is not recovered from ELC rates.</p> <p>If approved by the PUC, the monthly statewide surcharge of 26 cents per line per month will begin with the April, 1998 billing cycles, with an agreement to refund all or part of the charge if the PUC does not approve it.</p> <p>For questions about the reasons for the charge, please call the Southwestern Bell Business Office listed in your directory.</p> <p>The PUC assigned Docket Number 18513 to this proceeding. The deadline for intervention in this matter is March 31, 1998. Persons who wish to intervene or comment in these proceedings should notify the PUC by March 31, 1998. All requests to intervene should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX, 78711-3326. For information intervening, please call the PUC at 1-888-782-8477 or at 512-936-7120.</p>	<p>Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (Southwestern Bell) presentó una solicitud ante la Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas (PUC) para cobrar 26 centavos más al mes por línea para recuperar los costos por el servicio de Llamadas Locales Ampliadas (ELC) a ciertos clientes en Texas.</p> <p>El cargo de 26 centavos al mes no se cobrará a los clientes que reciben ELC. Sin embargo, los clientes que reciben ELC y pagan menos del máximo de \$3.50 al mes por el servicio ELC residencial o menos del máximo de \$7 por el servicio ELC comercial, tendrán que pagar 26 centavos adicionales a su pago mensual.</p> <p>El servicio de Llamadas Locales Ampliadas (ELC) fue establecido en 1993 por la legislación del estado de Texas y requiere que las compañías prestadoras de servicios telefónicos ofrezcan llamadas de larga distancia gratuitas entre pequeñas poblaciones que comparten un interés común tales como distritos escolares y de hospitales. Esta ley permite que las compañías telefónicas recuperen los costos no pagados mediante cargos a clientes, a través de un cargo a todos los demás clientes en el estado que no reciben el servicio ELC o que no pagan la tarifa máxima del servicio ELC. La tarifa máxima mensual permitida por la ley estatal es \$3.50 por línea para clientes con servicio residencial y \$7 por línea para clientes con servicio comercial.</p> <p>Southwestern Bell calcula que los 26 centavos al mes por línea cubrirán los \$27 millones del costo anual del servicio ELC que no está cubierto por las tarifas de ELC.</p> <p>Si la PUC autoriza el cargo mensual estatal de 26 centavos al mes por línea éste comenzará a partir de los ciclos de facturación de abril 1998, con el acuerdo de reembolsar todo o parte del cargo si la PUC no lo autoriza.</p> <p>Para preguntas relacionadas con este cargo, por favor llame a la Oficina Local de Southwestern Bell listada en su directorio telefónico.</p> <p>La PUC asignó el número de registro de 18513 a este procedimiento. El plazo de intervención sobre este asunto terminará el 31 de marzo de 1998. Las personas que deseen intervenir o hacer comentarios sobre este procedimiento deberán notificar a la PUC antes del 31 de marzo de 1998. Todas las solicitudes de intervención deberán enviarse por correo a la Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX 78711-3326. Para mayor información sobre la intervención, por favor comuníquese con la PUC al 1-888-782-8477 o al 512-936-7120.</p>

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"But take a CPR course and learn to do it right," he says, "because the odds are if you need to use the skill, it will be on a friend or family member."



HERITAGE AWARD—Toby and Alice Cypert Yates of Weinert were given a Texas Land Heritage Award by Texas Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry in Austin on Jan. 23.

Yates family receives Texas Land Heritage Program Award

At a program and reception held at the LBJ Auditorium in Austin on Jan. 23, Toby and Alice Cypert Yates of Weinert received a Texas Land Heritage Program Award for the Cypert Place on Lake Creek.

Presented by Texas Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry, the award honors farms and ranches that have been in continual production by one family for at least 100 years.

The Cypert Place was established in northern Haskell County in 1897 by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Cypert.

Also attending the program from the Cypert family were Joe and Caron Yates, Dusty and T.J. Yates, Ed, Mary and Lane Murphy, all of Weinert, Ricky, Taylor and Tanner Wade of Bryson, and Danny Brown of Childress.



YOUNG SHOOTER—Samuel Bitner placed first in the 9 and under class competition at the bow hunters Cabela's Circuit Tournament in Abilene.

Samuel Bitner wins archery competition

Mini Cub archer, Samuel Bitner, who has been shooting only three years, has won in both the competitions he has entered.

At the Sportman's, Quest Cabela's Circuit tournament in Abilene last weekend, he won first in the 9 and under classification, making him eligible to compete in Augusta, Ga. March 14 and 15. He is also now qualified to shoot in the World Title competition in Knoxville, Tenn.

The Abilene event attracted around 2500 people, with 1500 to 1700 shooters entering. It was the second largest Cabela's tournament. The winner of the men's open division won \$8,500.00, however Samuel was pleased with his smaller award.

While there, he met and was photographed by a *Sportman's Quest* reporter, who followed him around. His picture will appear in the next issue of the magazine.

Meeting new friends with the same interests is one of the things Samuel likes about going to the tournaments and shoot-outs. Although he still uses the bow he started out with, it has been updated with a fiber optics sight, stabilizer, etc., as his ability and size increases. Kip Nemir, Master archer, has helped coach him on

such things as stance and position.

Samuel's parents, Sammy and Tina Bitner, enjoy the family involvement of the competitions, and the friendly atmosphere involved. People from all over the nation attend. At the Abilene tournament it was reported there were some in attendance from Mexico, Australia and England.

The decisions about the tournaments Samuel may be able to attend are still being made by the Bitners. However, they are certain that he will be at the Oklahoma City Cabela's Circuit tournament March 4-5.

Marriage Licenses

Marriage licenses issued in January by Rhonda Moeller, Haskell Co. Clerk include:

James Arthur Davis and Darla Gail Peters, both of Haskell.

Nathan Macias of Sagerton and Laura Ann Tibbets of Haskell.

Clemmie Rogers Nicholson, Jr. and Tina Lynn Baker, both of Rochester.



A MESSAGE TO THE CITIZENS OF HASKELL COUNTY:

For those of you who do not know me, please allow me to introduce myself. I am Lynn Dodson and was raised in Aspermont, daughter of Ned and Maude Ella Ward. After living in Houston and Austin for fourteen years, I returned home and found employment in the Has-

kell County Attorney's office. I have now lived here for ten years and have been married to David Dodson, a local cement contractor, for nearly nine years. Our daughter, Hilce, is a sophomore at Haskell High School.

My business qualifications range from executive secretarial work, office management, and commercial sales, to real estate leasing and development. Since coming back home I have worked as a legal assistant for over eight years for several attorneys and for the past two years as the court clerk for Justice of the Peace Gina Brown. I possess a variety of experience and particular skills which would be a strong point to serving as your District Clerk. One of my goals, if elected, would be the computerized automation of records for the office. I have utilized my computer skills and been instrumental in accomplishing the same in my duties as clerk in the Justice of the Peace office. The results has been beneficial in the management of the docket records and reports. The District Clerk has specific recordkeeping and administrative duties as well as certain responsibilities related to finances, all of which I am aware and confident of my capabilities to assume. The office also requires a person who is knowledgeable of certain aspects of the law and familiar with legal proceedings. As in any public office, the ability to serve the people in a proficient and cordial manner is an asset. **I believe I am the person for this job.**

I would like to have the opportunity to meet with each and every one of you; however, my commitment to my present employment makes it infeasible. All of you with whom I have had the occasion to visit, I thank you for your time. To those whom I have not yet seen, I would appreciate your understanding and consideration for your vote. My pledge to you, should you decide to elect me, is to perform the duties as your District Clerk in an efficient and adept manner with integrity and ethical responsibility.

I remain **READY, WILLING, and ABLE** to serve if elected and encourage you to go to the polls and vote on March 10th in the Democratic Primary.

Pd. Pol. Adv. Pd. for by Lynn Dodson, Treas.

Childhood exposure can lead to adult cancer

The long path to adult cancer often begins in childhood.

Exposure to parental tobacco smoke and increased teen and preteen smoking may be contributing to more and more cases of adult cancers, say pediatric cancer and pulmonary experts.

"Millions of U.S. children have been exposed to environmental tobacco smoke," said Dr. David G. Poplack, director of the Texas Children's Cancer Center (TCCC) in Houston. "These children are at risk for cancer later in life as a result of these early exposures."

Poplack, chief of pediatric hematology and oncology at Baylor College of Medicine and Texas Children's Hospital, says that children are smoking at earlier ages.

Statistics support this. According to the Texas Department of Health, each day more than 3,000 American youth try a tobacco product for the first time.

More than half of high school students, 27 percent of sixth-graders and 10 percent of fourth graders have tried tobacco.

They are experimenting with a deadly combination, says Dr. D.J. Murry, a pharmacologic expert at the Texas Children's Cancer Center.

"These kids are often unaware that there is a cocktail of carcinogens in tobacco," he said. "That's why these early starters are at greater risk later for cancer."

Murry and colleague Dr.

Marianna Sockrider, a pediatric pulmonologist, hope to study smoking cessation methods for children and teens — a little explored area.

"There are few smoking cessation programs designed for youth in Texas or nationally, and potential aids such as nicotine patches have not been tested in this population," Sockrider said.

Sockrider says teens start out experimenting and before they realize it, they are "hooked" — often by the late teen years. She offers the following tips for parents:

- Ask questions about your child's friends and their attitudes toward smoking. Discuss peer pressure and their right to make decisions about their health.

- Discuss how easy it is to become addicted to tobacco and how difficult it is to quit. Clear up any misunderstandings about smoking such as overestimating how many youths use tobacco.

- Start early and be persistent. The message may get through.

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Treatment of chronic cough elusive

Many of us are left with a chronic cough after we've recovered from our cold or flu. Treatment for it can be elusive.

Treatment for children's chronic cough may be determined by their age.

"Diagnosis for coughs lasting longer than three weeks vary according to the patient age," said Dr. Stuart Abramson, an assistant professor of pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

The diagnostic and treatment dilemma for both patient and physician is frustrating. Abramson says that once the cause is found, treatment is usually effective.

He lists three categories for childhood coughs:

*Up to 18 months: The most likely causes are gastroesophageal reflux, abnormality of arteries leading off the aorta, and restricted airways.

Reflux often results in vomiting. Treatment includes keeping infants in an elevated position, using cereal to thicken formula, and medicines that control the regurgitation of stomach contents.

Surgery may be required to treat the constriction of the esophagus caused by the rare condition of abnormality of the arteries.

Treatment for restricted airways includes use of anti-inflammatory medicines in persistent asthma cases.

*18 months to age 6: These children most likely have coughs due to restricted airways or sinusitis, and inflammation of the membrane lining the facial sinuses.

Sinusitis is typically treated with antibiotics and decongestants, although surgical drainage may be necessary in some cases.

Respiratory allergies may also lead to sinusitis and should be controlled.

*Adolescents: Teenage coughs usually are the result of restricted airways or sinusitis or are stress related. For the latter, addressing the source of stress is the best treatment.

According to Abramson, the majority of patients have only one underlying cause for their cough. He advises parents to see their physicians or pediatrician whenever there is concern about a child's cough.



YOUNG POETS—Winning Paint Creek writers who will be published in the upcoming anthology, *A Celebration of Young Poets*, are from the left, back row: Dusty Driggs, Eugene Escamilla and Scott Stephens. Front row: Hattie Walton, Lesli Isbell and Diana Gonzalez. Not pictured: Elisa Flores.

Paint Creek poets' works published

Several young poets from Paint Creek School will have works published in the upcoming anthology, *A Celebration of Young Poets*. All are students from Launa Medford's 7th and 8th grade English Class, and were chosen from among thousands of entries from Texas

students.

Those writers chosen, along with their winning poems were: Dusty Driggs, *Jack-O-Lantern*, Eugene Escamilla—*Halloween*, Elisa Flores—*Pumpkin Pie*, Diana Gonzalez—*Halloween*, Lesli Isbell—*Halloween Night*, Scott Stephens—*Lobster*,

and Hattie Walton—*Under the Bed*.

Poems for publication were chosen for their literary merit, creativity and social awareness.

Students recognized may still be eligible for an award as a "Top Ten Poet."

Sagerton News

By Dorothy M. Clark

Here we are...already announcing events for March. On Tuesday night, March 3 at 6:30 p.m. the monthly community supper and meeting will be held at the community center featuring Mexican food for the meal. Ladies are asked to bring desserts. Helen Lehmann, Dorothy Toney and Dorothy Clark are hostesses.

Stephanie Stegemoeller, daughter of Clayton and Paula, made the Dean's list at Texas Tech last semester.

The Friendship Club met at Faith Lutheran Church fellowship hall last Thursday. Margaret Wendeborn was recognized as having a wedding anniversary in February and J.B. Toney and Peggy Tabor were the birthday honorees. Attending the dinner were Joyce and Delbert LeFevre, J.B. and Dorothy Toney, Margaret Wendeborn, Peggy Tabor, Hilda Kicke, Alvin and Ev Ulmer, Wilma Teichelman, Jo and Dave Brown, Isabell Mrazek, Minnie Monse, Doris Lehmann, Pastor Jeff Zell, Bubba Mrazek, Ed Fouts, Frances Clark, Christine and Herbert Stremmel.

The Men's breakfast was held at Faith Lutheran Church Friday morning with Marchel Nauert, Marvin Stegemoeller, Lewis

Corzine, Ronnie Teichelman, Dean Quade, Alvin Bredthauer, Jack Jones, Gene Teichelman, Carl Lunn, Melvin Baitz, Clarence Lehmann, Pastor Jeff Zell and David Letz in attendance.

Word has been received of the auto accident and hospitalization of a former resident of Sagerton, Mrs. H.E. Driessner, who now resides in Onalaska. She had driven to the post office and was broadsided, receiving several broken ribs and a lacerated liver. She was taken to the hospital in Huntsville and then transferred to Hermann Hospital in Houston where she spent three days in I.C.U. and after several days was released to recover at the home of her daughter nearby. At last report, she was doing as well as could be expected. The Driessners lived here in the 1940's while he was Pastor of Zion Lutheran. They returned for many years later for dove hunting and visiting with former members.

Christopher Adler, grandson of Joe and Dorothy Clark, will be

going to state U.I.L. meet in ban where he will be participating with a brass Quintet and Sextet Ensemble. He was instrumental in organizing the group from his high school band in The Woodland. The Quintet will be playing Vivaldi Fugue and the Sextet will be doing a number from Mendelsohn.

Clayton, Paula, Leon and Ma Stegemoeller were in San Antonio during the weekend for the Steel Show in which Michelle was showing. She won Reserve Breet Champion with her Spotted Poland China pig. She was one of 304 students that made the sale, coming in 11th. A total of 3500 pigs were competing in the overall show. Congratulations, Michelle!

Clifford, Theresa and Brannon Stegemoeller from Houston visited in the home of their parents, Leon and Mae, while they were here for the funeral of Velma Lou Hertel.

George and Ruby Olson of San Angelo and Emma Raphael of Stamford were weekend guests in the Joe Clark home.

Family members and friends paid their last respects to a very dear lady of our community, Velma Lou Hertel Lammert, Sunday afternoon at Faith Lutheran Church. Velma Lou will be remembered by her many friends for her artistic flower arrangements, beautiful ceramics, vivacious personality and her genuine generosity to all people who knew her. Her home was always open to all, young and old and she was well known for her gracious hospitality. Her grandchildren thought Grandma Lou and Mam Maw was quite a special lady. We extend our sympathy to the family and share many fond memories of an association with a lady named Velma Lou.

Students in the News

Texas A&M University has named its honor students for the 1997 fall semester, recognizing several thousand students for outstanding academic performance.

The Dean's Honor Roll recognizes students taking at least 15 semester hours who have maintained at least a 3.75 grade point ration (GPR) out of a possible 4.0 during the most recent grading period.

Among those recognized were Jonathan Kirk Lammert of Sagerton, a civil engineering major and Anita Denise Rapp of Haskell, a meteorology major.

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Ronnie Chapman issues statement, reminds voters to vote March 10

I want to thank you for the privilege of serving as your Commissioner for the past 16 years and have had the best interest of Precinct 2 foremost in my mind on each decision made. With the experience gained, I feel that I can serve you much more effectively for the next four years than ever before. Sometimes decisions that are made aren't always the popular ones, but I have always tried to do what was best for our Precinct and the County as a whole.

I have attempted to be in the past and will continue to be available in the future at all times to discuss any part of Precinct or County business.

I have maintained Precinct roads to the best of my ability with the amount of money and material available and feel that I have done all that is possible to attain the best results for our Precinct and the County.

I am asking for your continued support and vote in the upcoming March 10 election and sincerely hope that you will give me the opportunity to continue my efforts for Precinct 2 and the County.

Pd. Pol. Adv. Pd. for by Ronnie Chapman, campaign treasurer

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Paint Creek School Menu

March 2-6
Breakfast
 Milk and juice are served daily.
Monday: Cereal
Tuesday: Eggs, ham, toast
Wednesday: Pancakes, sausage
Thursday: Cinnamon rolls
Friday: Donuts

Lunch
 Milk is served daily.
Monday: Chicken nuggets,
 gravy, cream potatoes, green beans,
 rolls, Rice Crispy bars
Tuesday: Hot dogs, chili, tator
 tots, relish, onions, cheese, pork
 and beans, spice cake

Wednesday: Pizza, baked corn,
 salad, apricot cobbler
Thursday: Brisket, brown gravy,
 salad bar, English peas, peaches,
 bread
Friday: No School

Food for thought

by Charles H. Spurgeon
 "We love him because he first
 loved us."

1 John 4:19

There is no light in the planet
 but that which proceedeth from the
 sun; and there is no true love to
 Jesus in the heart but that which
 cometh from the Lord Jesus
 himself.

From this overflowing fountain
 of the infinite love of God, all our
 love to God must spring.

This must ever be a great and
 certain truth, that we love him for
 no other reason than because he
 first loved us. Our love to him is
 the fair offspring of his love to us.
 Cold admiration, when studying
 the works of God, anyone may
 have, but the warmth of love can
 only be kindled in the heart by
 God's Spirit.

How great the wonder that such
 as we should ever have been
 brought to love Jesus at all! How
 marvellous that when we had
 rebelled against him, he should, by
 a display of such amazing love,
 seek to draw us back.

No! never should we have had a
 grain of love towards God unless it

had been sown in us by the sweet
 seed of his love to us.

Love, then, has for its parent
 the love of God shed abroad in the
 heart: but after it is thus divinely
 born, it must be divinely
 nourished. Love is an exotic; it is
 not a plant which will flourish
 naturally in human soil, it must be
 watered from above. Love to Jesus
 is a flower of a delicate nature, and
 if it received no nourishment but
 that which could be drawn from the
 rock of our hearts it would soon
 wither.

As love comes from heaven, so
 it must feed on heavenly bread. It
 cannot exist in the wilderness
 unless it be fed by manna from on
 high.

Love must feed on love. The
 very soul of life of our love to God
 is his love to us.

"I love thee, Lord, but with no
 love of mine,

For I have none to give;
 I love thee, Lord; but all the
 love is thine,

For by they love I live.
 I am nothing, and rejoice to be
 Emptied, and lost, and
 swallowed up in thee."

This Week's Devotional Message:

THE RECIPE FOR A GOOD LIFE IS CONTAINED IN THE BIBLE



You would never dream of trying to bake a
 cake or concoct a gourmet dish without a recipe
 in front of you, because of the many ingredients
 and procedures you would have to follow. By the
 same token, life itself is a complicated procedure,
 consisting of some ingredients which can be mis-
 used. However, the Bible contains the recipe for
 it, with easy-to-follow directions; just as the

cookbook guides you in the preparation of food.
 In addition, life's best "cooking school" is your
 House of Worship, where the lessons are done
 well to give you a portion of good advice in times
 of trouble. Let the Bible serve as your food for
 thought, with a mixture of the fascinating history
 of civilization, the origin of your faith, and a
 foolproof recipe for a good life.

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 Garrison, 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**
 Luther S. Hollowell, pastor
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
 306 N. Ave. E, Haskell
 - Trinity Baptist Church**
 Rev. Kenneth Blair
 Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.
 401 S. Ave. D, Haskell
 - Hopewell Baptist Church**
 John Lewis, pastor
 Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
 908 N. Ave. A, Haskell
- Greater Independent Baptist Church**
 Rev. Camellia Wade, pastor
 Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.
 301 N. 3rd St., Haskell
- New Covenant Foursquare**
 Freddy Perez, pastor
 Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.
 200 S. Ave. F, Haskell
- Mission Revival Center**
 Rev. William Hodge
 Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m.
 1600 N. Ave. B, Haskell
- First Baptist Church**
 Jim Turner, pastor
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
 301 N. Ave. E, Haskell
- 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.
 Weinert
 - Weinert Methodist Church**
 Rev. James Patterson
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.
 Weinert
 - 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 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
- 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
 Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.
 300 Sunny Ave., Rule

Head Start Menu

March 2-6
 Milk served daily with
 breakfast. Menus subject to change
 without notice.

Breakfast
Monday: Cream of wheat,
 pineapple chunks
Tuesday: Waffle w/syrup,
 orange juice
Wednesday: Corn flakes,
 strawberries
Thursday: Slice toast, pears
Friday: Blueberry muffins,
 orange juice

Lunch
 Milk served daily with lunch.
Monday: Baked chicken leg or
 thigh, green beans, mixed fruit,
 slice bread
Tuesday: Deli sandwich, ham
 and turkey, carrots, apple wedges

Wednesday: Meat loaf,
 mashed potatoes, apricots, roll
Thursday: Macaroni and
 cheese with ham, mixed vegetables,
 orange wedges
Friday: Sloppy joes on bread,
 salad, apple slices

Snacks
Monday: Orange wedge, slice
 cheese
Tuesday: Pudding, vanilla
 wafers, milk
Wednesday: Cheese/crackers,
 apple juice
Thursday: Cinnamon graham
 cracker, milk
Friday: Oatmeal cookies, cran
 juice

Haskell School Menu

Mar. 2-6
Texas School Lunch Week
Breakfast
 Juice or fruit and milk are served
 daily on the breakfast menu.
Monday: Cereal, cinnamon toast
Tuesday: Scrambled eggs/toast,
 sausage patty
Wednesday: Cinnamon roll,
 toast/jelly
Thursday: Biscuits/gravy,
 sausage
Friday: Cereal, cheese toast

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

Monday: Command
Performance: Chicken
 nuggets/gravy, whipped potatoes,
 garden salad, fresh banana, whole
 wheat hot rolls
Tuesday: Back by Popular
Demand: Steak fingers/gravy,
 quick baked potato, apple quarters,
 whole wheat hot rolls

Wednesday: Applause:
 Quesadillas, border beans, tossed
 salad, fresh grapefruit half
Thursday: Matinee:
 Hamburger, oven fries, hamburger
 trimmings, orange wedges
Friday: Act I: Fish burger,
 potato rounds, carrot and celery
 sticks, royal brownies

ECC Calendar and Menu

Monday, March 2
 AARP Income Tax assistance,
 call E. C. C. to set up schedule
 Lunch—Beef and cheese
 enchilada, tossed salad, pinto beans,
 Spanish rice, cake/strawberries,
 milk, tea or coffee

Friday, March 6
 Lunch—Roast beef, potatoes,
 green beans, cabbage slaw, peaches,
 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.

Wednesday, March 4
 10:30 a.m. Exercise, Outreach
 Health Service
 Lunch—Chicken and dumplings,

Student in the news

More than 1,700 students at
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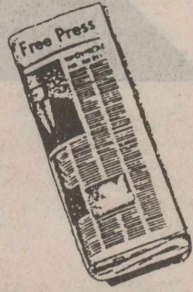


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FREE THROW—Gavino Ortiz, (23) sinks a free one against Stanton in the practice game in Merkel, which ended Indians 58, Stanton 81.

Photo by Bill Blankenship

Food service managers training set

by Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
Interested food service managers are reminded to register for a food safety training program conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in cooperation with the National Restaurant Association, The Texas Department of Health, and the Texas Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association.

The 15-hour course will begin Thurs., March 19 in the Haskell County Extension Office located at 101 S. Ave. D in Haskell. Participants will choose the way they wish to complete the remaining hours of the course. Tentative dates are the following two Thursday evenings, March 26 and April 2. The Course will include the latest information on personal hygiene, how to use thermometers and keep temperature logs, how to store food safely, how

to safely prepare and serve food and how to clean and sanitize the kitchen properly.

In 1995, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimated that as many as 81 million Americans got sick from eating contaminated or spoiled food at home or in food service establishments.

Participants will be given a certificate and can apply for a decal to place in their window to let customers know they are certified in food safety.

Brochures containing a registration form have been mailed to all types of food service establishments in Haskell County. If you did not receive a brochure or for more information on the Food Protection Management Training Program, call either Lou Gilly, County Extension Agent - FCS in Haskell County at (940) 864-2546 or Jane Rowan, County Extension

Agent - FCS in Knox County at (940) 454-2651.

The registration deadline is March 2.



LYNN DODSON FOR DISTRICT CLERK

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Pd. Pol. Adv. Pd. for by Lynn Dodson, Treas.

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Scores by Quarters: Paint Creek: 15, 15, 11, 7. Rule: 13, 9, 13, 23. Individual Scoring: Paint Creek: Lamb 3, Martinez 16, Goss 4, Davis 4, Hearn 10, Reel 8. Rule: Smith 14, Hisey 7, J. Hertel 4, Lehrmann 22, M. Hertel 11.

Calendar

Rule Blue & Gold

Rule Cub Scouts Pack 144 will hold a Blue & Gold Banquet Thurs., Feb. 26 at Rule Methodist Church at 6:30 p.m. Four boys will receive the Arrow Light including Colt Kittley, Craig Simpson, Samuel Turner and Alex Vasquez.

PCS dismissal

Paint Creek School students will not attend school Fri., March 6. Students will dismiss at regular time on Thurs., March 5. Spring break will be March 9-13. Students will resume classes Mon., March 16.

Lunch 'N Learn

Third grade parents will have a Lunch 'N Learn at Haskell Elementary School March 5. Parents must register for the free meal to begin at 11:15. Meet in the school's foyer.

Old Glory musical

The Old Glory Musical will be held Sat., Feb. 28 at the Community Center in Old Glory. The concession stand will open at 5:30 and the music will start at 6 p.m. Proceeds of the concessions and any donations will go to the Building Fund.

RE-ELECT
DAVID DAVIS
FOR
HASKELL COUNTY JUDGE

- ★ DEDICATED
- ★ EXPERIENCED
- ★ QUALIFIED

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VOTE TUESDAY, MARCH 10TH

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