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Basketball games

Haskell
Varsity G-B at Cisco Tourney
Dec. 3-5 at Cisco
JV G-B at Olney JV Tourney
Sat., Dec. 5 at Olney
7th-8th-9th G-B vs Olney
Mon., Dec. 7, 5 p.m.
Girls at Olney, Boys at Haskell
JVG-B, VG-B vs Anson
Tues., Dec. 8, 4 p.m. at Anson

Paint Creek at Woodson Tourney
Dec. 3-5 at Woodson
Paint Creek vs Megargel
Tues., Dec. 8, 6 p.m.
at Paint Creek
Paint Creek JH vs Benjamin
Mon., Dec. 7, 5:30 p.m.
at Paint Creek

Calendar

Lodge meeting

The Sons of Hermann Lodge meeting will be held Sun., Dec. 6 at the Irby Hall. The meeting begins at 3 p.m. The lodge will furnish ham for the meal, those attending need to bring a side dish. Canned goods will be collected for the Goodfellows.

Art Assn. meeting

The Brazos West Art Assn. will meet Mon., Dec. 7 at 7 p.m. at the Haskell National Bank Community Room for their yearly Christmas Party. The party will be hosted by Santa Claus. Those attending are asked to bring nonperishable items for the Christmas basket.

Toys, clothes accepted

Haskell County Child Welfare Board is accepting clothes, toys and donations for the annual Christmas project. Items may be dropped off at the Dept. of Protective and Regulatory Services Office, 420 N. 1st in Haskell until Dec. 18.

Society to meet

The Haskell County Historical & Genealogical Society will meet Dec. 7 at the First National Bank Community Room at 7 p.m. Those attending should bring snacks. Officers will be elected and installed.

Lighting contests

The Rule Chamber of Commerce will host their annual house and yard lighting contest. To have your house judge, call Marsha at City Hall, 997-2214. Entry deadline is Dec. 10 at 5 p.m. Prizes will be \$50, \$35 and \$25. Winners will be announced Mon., Dec. 14.

Fund raiser

The Haskell Head Start Center will help to promote the National Head Start Association by accepting \$1 donations to the organization. A donation to NHSA places a donor's name in a drawing for a hand-painted child's rocking horse. Tickets are available daily from Head Start staff members Nov. 30-Dec. 4. Drawing for the horse will be held Dec. 18 in Levelland. For more information, call the Haskell Head Start Center, 940-864-8127.

Financial aid meeting

Haskell High School will host a college financial aid meeting Mon., Dec. 7 at 6:30 p.m. in the HHS Auditorium. Corky Swanson, financial aid advisor, will provide valuable information for students and parents. For information call Christye Gannaway 864-8123.

TASP testing

Vernon Regional Junior College will administer the TASP test Thurs., Dec. 10 in the Haskell High School Auditorium. Testing begins at 8:30 a.m. Those interested must register by contacting Christye Gannaway 864-8123.

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WORLD CHAMPION—Named World Champion Aged Appaloosa at the Annual World Championship Appaloosa Horse show held Nov. 7 in Fort Worth, 1994 mare, Justa Nuff Tardee was named 1st under all five judges. The show is by invitation only, and attracts over 1000 entries. The mare is shown by Dave Parlier,

and is fitted and conditioned in Haskell by owners Sam and Gayle Bitner. Since the show in Nov., the World Champion mare has been retired to become a brood mare. Pictured with the three-time world champion mare are Bitner, left, and Parlier. Miss Appaloosa, 1998, holds the winner's trophy and ribbons.

Tour of Homes set Sunday

The Noah Project-North's annual Christmas Tour of Homes will be held in Haskell Sun., Dec. 6, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Local homes included in this year's tour are those of Nancy Adkisson at 707 N. Ave. F, Thelma Adkisson at 606 N. 2nd, Linda Lane Bloise at 1001 N. Ave. E, Gwen Campbell at 505 N. Ave. F, Tom and Mary Kaigler at 901 N. Ave. F, and Andrew and Debbie Ottaway at 309 Bonnie Lane. Tickets for the benefit tour are \$5.00 each and are good for touring all six homes. They may be purchased from any member of the Noah Advisory Committee, at the door of each home, or by calling 940-864-2551.

Goodfellows accepting donations

The Haskell Goodfellows are accepting donations for Christmas boxes to be distributed to needy families this holiday season. On Dec. 5 and Dec. 12, the names of those who qualify may be placed by application at the Haskell City Hall, between 1 and 3 p.m. Boxes will be delivered on Dec. 24 to those who have been selected to receive them. Those with donations of food, contact a Lions Club member. Toys and clothing may be taken to the Haskell Fire Dept Cash donations may be sent to the Haskell Free Press, P. O. Box 555, Haskell, TX 79521.

Santa letters

Hey Kids! Don't forget the deadline for getting letters in to Santa to be published is 5:00 p.m., Mon., Dec. 14. Letters may be dropped off at the Free Press office at 401 South First St., or may be mailed to Santa Claus at Box 555, Haskell, TX 79521.

Commissioners hear peanut company plans

At the Nov. 11 meeting of the Haskell County Commissioners Court, Cole Turner of Rochester thanked the commissioners for the help provided the Rochester Peanut Company in the past and now during the sale of the company. He introduced Larry Vance and Tim Jones, representing the Clint Williams Company concerning their purchase of the Rochester Peanut Company.

Jones told the Court that his company wants to assume the loan on the Peanut Company, that is held by the County. Vance stated that they would continue business as usual, having bought from this area for 11 years. Vance said they plan to expand the company and keep the revenue in Haskell County.

In a discussion of the bridges in Haskell County, Jerry Conner, TxDOT, said that with the two replacements that are being made,

the bridges are in good shape. Commissioner Kenny Thompson asked Conner about Scott's Crossing, which was not on the state's inventory of Haskell County bridges. Conner said he will inspect the crossing and put it on the inventory. Thompson is considering replacing the Scott's Crossing bridge.

Don Kretschmer addressed the Court about the County's participation in the Juvenile Probation Program and where the

financial funds from the County are used. Kretschmer informed the Court of changes in the Probation Office's grant eligibility. The Court voted to continue supporting the Probation Office as in the past.

Commissioner Billy Wayne Hester reported some repairs that have been done at the jail, and some that need more work done there. Two stainless steel sinks need to be replaced, and other repairs are needed in the women's cells. Sheriff Mills also told the Court of repairs needed

at the jail. Commissioner Hester informed Sheriff Mills that James Cain of TAC will come here to train dispatchers on site. Hester also reported the need for an evacuation plan for the Courthouse in case of fire.

After a discussion of the modifications needed on the handicap ramp at the MHMR, the Court decided to inspect the ramp and make any necessary changes.

Four Indians named to All-District team

Four Haskell High School football players were among those listed in the 1998 9-AA All-District Teams which were announced Mon., Nov. 23.

Jason Hobgood, 5 foot 10 inch, 215 pound senior, was named as a Running Back on the Offensive 2nd Team, and as Linebacker on the on

Defensive 2nd Team. Trey Rogers, 5 foot, 11 inch, 170 pound senior, was named as a

Punter on the 1st Offensive Team. Rob Hengstenberg, 6 foot, 205 pound senior, was named as Interior Lineman on the Defensive 1st Team.

Joseph Phemister, 6 foot, 170 pound senior, was named as Defensive Back on the Defensive 2nd Team.

Other Haskell players receiving honorable mention were: Micah New, Defensive Back, 160 pound junior; Dustin Yates, Tight End,

180 pound junior; Billy Bible, Offensive Guard, 180 pound senior; Shane Steele, Defensive Linebacker, 205 pound senior; Ethan Brown, Defensive Back, 165 pound senior; Chad Brendle, Defensive End, 175 pound senior, and Erik Everett, Defensive Back, 160 pound senior.

Students plan burrito sale

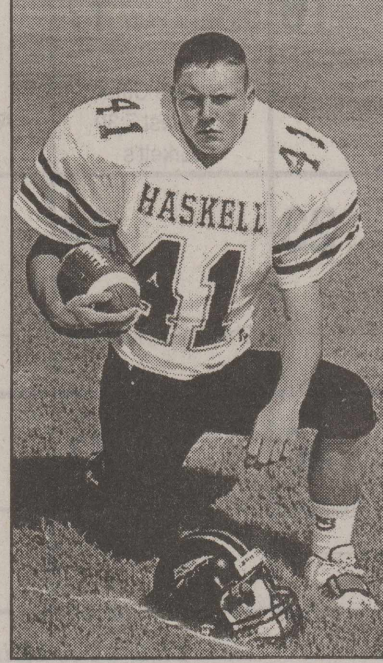
Haskell High School Students, J. J. Comedy, Missy Teague and Jason Hobgood, who, as outstanding individuals in achieving academic excellence, have been selected to attend the National Youth Leadership Conference in Washington, D. C. early next year, are planning another Burrito sale fund-raiser. Proceeds from the sale will go toward helping with the expenses of the trip.

They are now taking orders for Beef/Bean/Cheese Burritos or Breakfast Burritos, to be delivered Sat., Dec. 12. Cost of both types of the burritos are six for \$10.00. The deadline for orders is Thurs., Dec. 10.

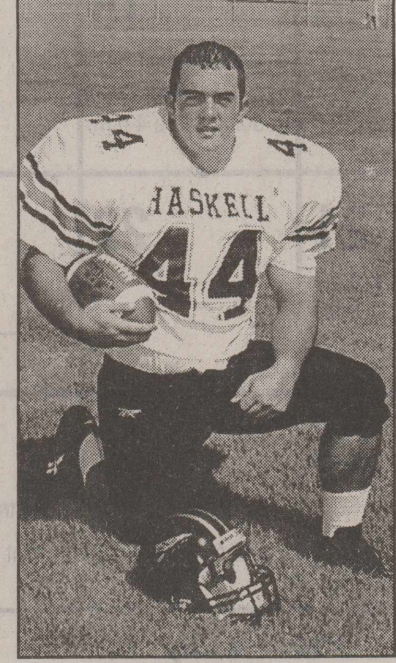
Orders may be called daytime, at 864-2602 or 864-3682. Nights, call 864-2860, 864-3682, or 864-3697.



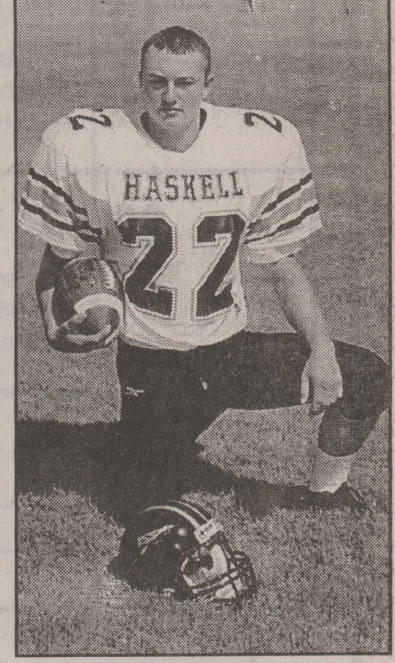
ROB HENGSTENBERG
1st Team Defensive Team
Interior Lineman



TREY ROGERS
1st Team Offensive
Team Punter

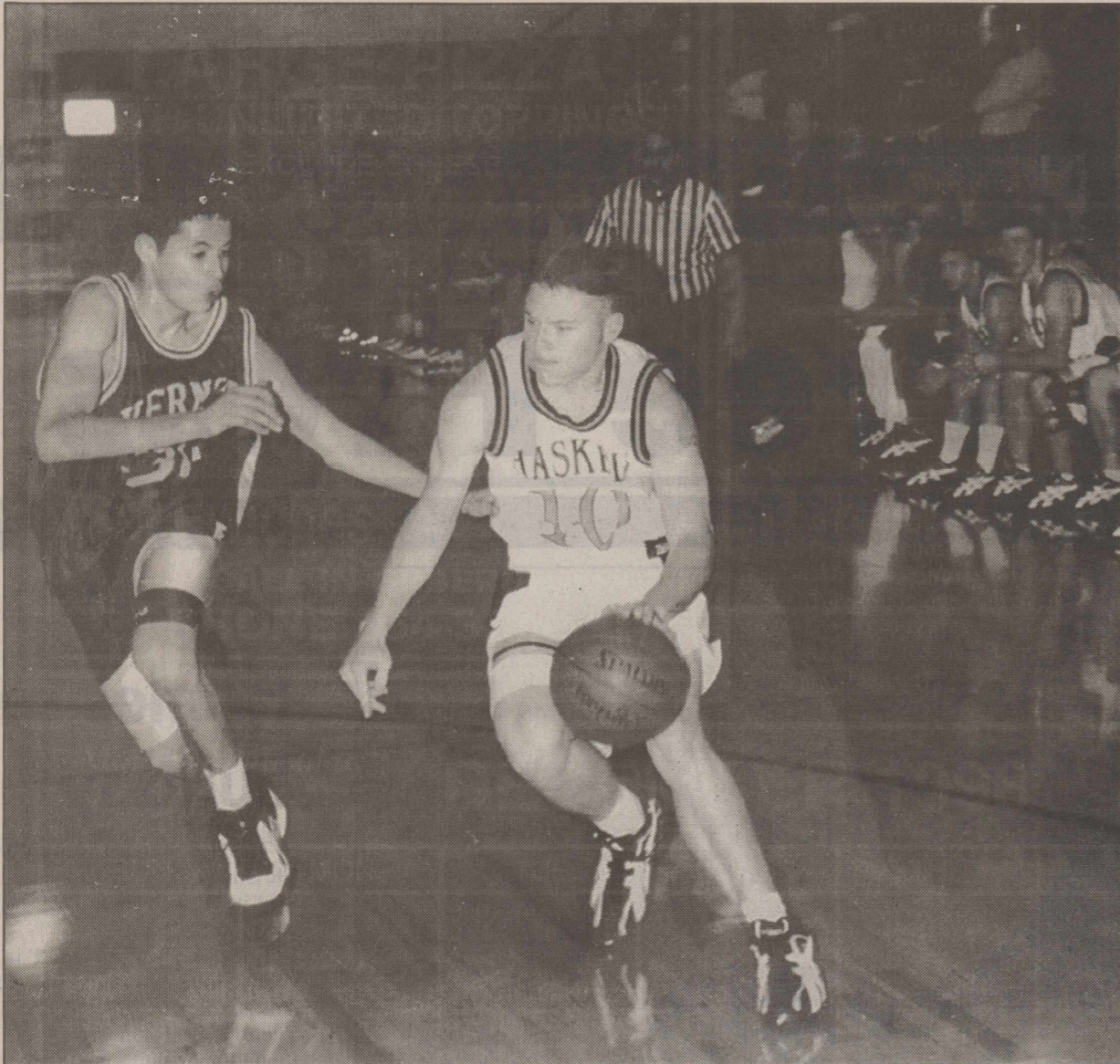


JASON HOBGOOD
2nd Team Defensive Linebacker
2nd Team Offensive Running Back



JOSEPH PHEMISTER
2nd Team
Defensive Back

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MAKING TRACKS—Haskell Varsity Indian #10, Trey Rogers moves on down court in the game with Vernon, Nov. 20. Final score was Vernon 69, Haskell 52. Photo by Bill Blankenship



WARRIORS—Haskell's 7th grade football team ended the season at 3 and 5, which included a few big wins and some close ones. Pictured are, back row, left, Coach David Middleton, Adam Greenwood, Kris Isbell, Reyes Benevides, Derrick Tribbey, Bobby Loyd, Blake Goss, Ross Hairgrove. Middle row, left, Homero Payan, Holton Hernandez, Mark Arredondo, Gilbert Rojas, Jason Barnes, Jeremy Salazar, Osiel Garcia, Scott Kennedy. Bottom row, left, Bradlee Harris, Andrew Garison, Joseph Felty, J. R. Rodriguez, Philip Collins, Sean Jeanes, Colin Dunnam, Thomas Tidrow, and Otis Thomas. Photo by Kis

Louie the Lightning Bug to visit students

Louie the Lightning Bug will be buzzing into Haskell, Fri. Dec. 4 with a fast-paced, action-packed live educational program for Elementary School students, helping to teach them the concepts and importance of electrical safety.

Sponsored free of charge by West Texas Utilities Company, the touring theatre show called *The*

Further Adventures of Louie the Lightning Bug presents lessons using colorful sets and characters in humorous situations in a way that kids enjoy and helps them remember what they have learned after the show is over.

The producer of these educational theatre programs is Small Change Original Theatre, Inc, a national

touring company. Using creative audience participation techniques, the acting troupe is visiting schools in WTU's service area, presenting the show and providing teachers and students with follow-up curriculum.

Times for the Fri. shows at Haskell Elementary will be 8:45 and 9:30 a.m.



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Farmers Co-op Gin	400
Haskell Co-op Gin	867
O'Brien	
O'Brien Gin	12,032
Rochester	
Rochester Co-op Gin	286
Rule	
Rule Co-op Gin	378
Sagerton	
Sagerton Gin	425
Weinert	
Paymaster Gin	1,213
Weinert Gin	1,122
Total Bales	16,723

Hospital

Admissions
Cruz Garcia, Rochester
Maurice Willis, Munday
Delma Adams, Haskell

Dismissals
Terri Scoggins, Olivia Ramos,
Mary Gonzales, Bonifaced
Sandoval, Reena Harris, Faye
Shaw, Joe Gray

Obituaries

Dorothy Billington

Funeral services for Dorothy Billington, 75, of Haskell were held Sat., Nov. 28 at First Baptist Church in Haskell. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Billington died Fri., Nov. 20 at an Antioch, California hospital.

Born March 28, 1923 in Tyler, she was the daughter of Phillip and Rose Wright, moving to Haskell at an early age. She was a member of Eastern Star, and the Hopewell Baptist Church where she taught Sunday School and served as the church secretary.

Survivors include four sons, Robert Daniel McGinnies of Lovington, Johnnie E. Billington and Jesse E. Billington, both of Haskell, and Fred Allen Billington of

Dallas; five daughters, Mary B. Billington Johnson and Myrtle Ray Allen, both of Dallas, Georgia M. Stephens of DeSoto, Minnie P. Ison and Juanita Wheeler, both of Pittsburg, Calif.; one sister, Mae Ruth Wright of Pittsburg, Calif.; 45 grandchildren; 25 great grandchildren and six great great grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Derrick Franklin, Patrick Franklin, Kenneth Billington, Richard Billington, James Ray Billington and Johnnie Billington, Jr. Honorary pallbearers were Fred Billington, Johnnie Earl Billington, Robert McGinnies, Jesse Billington, Joe Ison, Jesse Wheeler, George Johnson, James Ray Billington, L. C. Smith and Grendel Johnson.

Gladys Summers

Funeral services for Gladys Summers, 84, of Stamford were held Thurs., Nov. 19 at Orient Street Church of Christ in Stamford with Stan Harvey and Chad Massie officiating. Burial was in Highland Memorial Cemetery in Stamford under the direction of Kinney Funeral Home.

Mrs. Summers died Mon., Nov. 16 in Weatherford Care Center in Weatherford

Born July 22, 1914 in Alvord, she was the daughter of William Calvin and Mary Alice Ralston. She grew up in Alvord, Childress and Haskell and attended school in the Post Community School. She married Robert Summers in Stamford in Dec. 1932. They lived and farmed in the Stamford area until they retired and moved to Stamford.

She worked for several years at the VIP Center in Stamford. She was a member of the Orient Street Church of Christ in Stamford and had lived in the Weatherford Care Center since June 1998.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert, one daughter, Barbara Dawson, two brothers and one sister.

Survivors include one daughter, Diann Gibbs of Plano; six sisters, Violet Ralston and Ruby Cutbirth, both of Clyde, Jennie Manuel of Childress, Nan Wilson and Nellie Wilson, both of Haskell, Odessa Pruitt of Mojave Valley, Ariz.; three grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Monthly Calendar of Events

DECEMBER 1998

Haskell Independent School District

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 Basketball JV-Varsity Munday, Here 4 p.m.	2	3 Lunch 'N Learn Fifth & Sixth Grades Elem. Library —Varsity Basketball Tournament Cisco—	4	5 JV B&G Tournament Olney
6	7 Basketball Jr. High vs. Olney G(T)/B (H)	8 Basketball JV-Varsity Anson There 4 p.m. Partners for Children 7 p.m. Elementary Cafeteria	9	10 Career Breakfast 5th Grade 7:30 Burkett's TASP Test —Varsity Basketball Catclaw Tournament— —JV Basketball Abilene Tournament— —JVG Basketball Jacksboro Tournament—	11	12
13	14 Basketball Jr. High vs. Electra G(H)/B (T)	15 Basketball JV-Varsity Paducah Here 4 p.m.	16	17 Faculty Christmas Party 7th grade Career Breakfast 7:30 Burkett's	18 Basketball JV-Varsity Aspermont Here 4 p.m.	19 JV Tournament Haskell
20	21 Open House Elementary School 5 to 6 p.m.	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30 —Christmas Holidays—	31		

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REV. AND MRS. ROY F. GEORGE

Couple celebrates 65th anniversary

Rev. and Mrs. Roy F. George were honored at the George family reunion in Kennedale, Nov. 14-15, on the occasion of their 65th wedding anniversary.

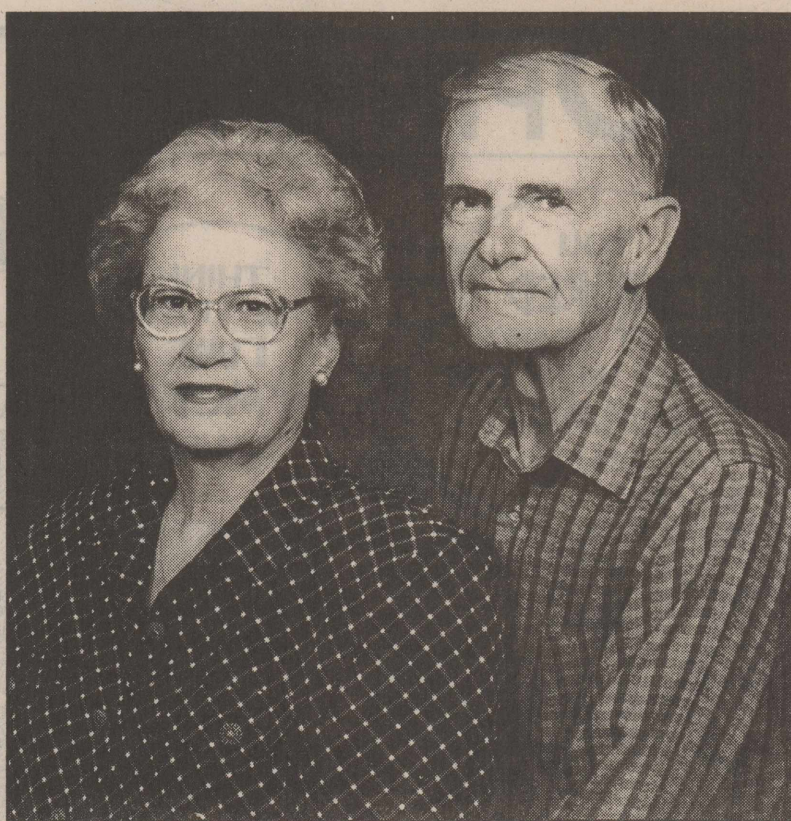
Roy F. George and Jimalee Scott were married Nov. 28, 1933 in Hamlin and moved to Haskell that week. They began in the ministry in 1934 and moved away until they retired in 1984, when they again became Haskell residents.

They are the parents of three children: Rev. Roy Kenneth George and wife, Patsy, of Albuquerque, N.M., Rev. J. Don George and wife, Gwen, of Irving and Peggy Sims and husband, Rev. Randy Sims, of Hobbs, N. M. Their two sons and son-in-law are Assembly of God ministers.

They have eight grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Seventy family members attended the reunion coming from Washington, Oregon, California, New Mexico and Texas. Roy and Jimalee were presented a computer during the reception Sat. in Kennedale by their children. Many of the group attended the Sun. morning service at Calvary Temple in Irving where Rev. Kenneth was the pulpit guest for his brother, Dr. Don George.

A video of the life of Roy and Jimalee George was viewed by the congregation and they were presented with a dozen red roses. The group had lunch together at Luby's Cafeteria before returning to their home states.



MR. AND MRS. BOYD BAIRD

Dinner honors Rule couple's anniversary

Sat., Nov. 21, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Baird of Rule celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a family dinner hosted by their children.

Oleta Norman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Norman of Vera, and Oscar Boyd Baird, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Baird, of Oxford, Mississippi, were married in Rule, Nov. 21, 1948.

Children of the couple are Bill Baird, of Crane and Lisa Baird Ivey of Arlington. They have two

grandchildren and one great-grand child.

Mr. Baird is a retired farmer. He was in the 17th Photo Recon. Squadron, Air Force in World War II. He is a graduate of Texas A&M University, and was an Ag. Teacher before the war. Mrs. Baird is a former employee of A.S.C.S. and Texas Department of Human Services. Both are active in the First United Methodist Church in Rule.

Head Start Menu

Dec. 7-11 Breakfast
Milk served daily with breakfast. Menus subject to change without notice.

Monday: Corn Flakes, pineapple chunks
Tuesday: Waffle w/syrup, orange juice
Wednesday: Cream of Wheat, strawberries
Thursday: Toast, pears
Friday: Blueberry muffin, orange juice

Lunch
Milk served daily with lunch.
Monday: Baked chicken leg or thigh, green beans, mixed fruit, bread
Tuesday: Deli sandwich of

ham and turkey, carrots, apple wedges

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

Snacks
Monday: Orange wedges, cheese
Tuesday: Pudding, vanilla wafers, milk
Wednesday: Cheese/crackers, apple juice
Thursday: Cinnamon Graham crackers, milk
Friday: Oatmeal cookies, grape juice

Paint Creek School Menu

Dec. 7-11 Breakfast
Milk and juice are served daily.
Monday: Toast, jelly
Tuesday: Cereal
Wednesday: Waffles
Thursday: Breakfast burritos
Friday: Donuts

Lunch
Milk is served daily.
Monday: Hot dogs, relish, tator tots, baked beans, pineapple cake

Tuesday: Meat loaf, spinach, hot rolls, new potatoes, peaches
Wednesday: Fish, green beans, macaroni with cheese, hot rolls, pears
Thursday: Bologna, cheese, chicken salad, chips, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, pork & beans, brownies
Friday: Bar-B-Que on bun, fries, pickles, onions, pinto beans, ice cream

Students plan Christmas food drive

The Haskell High School Student Council is sponsoring a food drive Dec. 1-11, to benefit the Goodfellows Christmas baskets. They urge everyone to come out and contribute to the worthy

community project. Donations of any non-perishable or canned food may be brought to the First National Bank, The Haskell National Bank or the Haskell High School building.

Haskell School Menu

Dec. 7-11 Breakfast
Juice or fruit and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu. Cereal offered daily.

Monday: Toast/jelly
Tuesday: Breakfast burrito
Wednesday: Pancakes/syrup
Thursday: Biscuits/gravy, sausage
Friday: Breakfast pizza

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

served daily at the Elementary School.

Monday: B.B.Q. on bun, curly fries, pickle spears, Congo bars
Tuesday: Salisbury steak/brown gravy, baked potatoes, tossed salad, hot rolls, sliced peaches
Wednesday: Enchilidas, pinto beans, Spanish rice, cornbread, apple half

Thursday: Chicken nuggets/gravy, creamed potatoes, seasoned green beans, hot rolls, cookies

Friday: Hamburger, French fries, hamburger trimmings, ice cream

ECC Calendar and Menu

Monday, Dec. 7
Lunch-Chicken and dumplings, green beans, tossed salad, banana pudding, milk, tea or coffee

Wednesday, Dec. 9
11:00 a.m. Exercise by Outreach Home Health

Lunch-Steak/gravy, corn, tomato-okra, potatoes, plum cobbler, bread, milk, tea or coffee

Friday, Dec. 11

Lunch-Pinto beans w/hamburger meat, kraut salad, carrots, onions, fruit cocktail cake, bread, milk, tea or coffee

Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.

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.

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Haskell County FCE Council holds meeting

Haskell Co. Family and Community Education Council met in regular session Nov. 18.

The meeting was called to order by Council Chairman Betty Sanders. She read "A Thanksgiving Prayer" by Lorraine Medley. Roll call was by secretary Lennie Blankenship. Nine members and agent Lou Gilly were present.

Jane Smith was appointed chairman of the concession committee for the Junior Livestock Show Jan. 28 and 29. This is the club's major fund raiser for the year.

Medford reminded members of the district training meeting in Archer City on Nov. 30. Eight members are registered to attend, leaving the Extension Office at 8:00 a.m.

Agent Lou Gilly reported on 4-H activities. Haskell County has 90 members this year. Ten members are entered in the District Food Show in Wichita Falls on Nov. 21. They will compete with 220 other 4-H'ers from District 3. Agent Gilly is chairman of the event.

Refreshments were served by the Weinert Club.

Haskell Healthcare Center

by Betty Hearn
Activities Director
Haskell Healthcare enjoyed the Senior Citizen Health Fair. A large crowd was there to take advantage of the many health booths. We met a lot of new senior citizens out of the community and enjoyed talking with them.

Our residents have been busy this month. We enjoyed another outing to East Side Baptist Church. As usual, we had a very delicious home cooked meal and

gospel singing with Philip Martin. We are making Christmas decorations in Creative Times. Our residents are very artistic.

Our employees are having a decorating contest decorating residents doors for Christmas. First, second and third place prizes will be given. The judges will be out of the community. Haskell Healthcare employees and residents wish to thank all our volunteers and visitors that have been so faithful this year.

Young Homemakers meet

The Haskell Young Homemakers met Mon., Nov. 2 at the home of Michelle Dunnam. Final plans were made for the Arts and Crafts Show which turned out to be a success. All 49 booths were filled and approximately 300+ attended. Thanks goes to everyone who brought food and worked at the A & C show.

The next meeting will be on Dec. 7 at the home of Rhonda Hanson, 1111 N. 5th. The Christmas gift exchange will be held and everyone will need to bring a \$10.00 Christmas gift to exchange.

Hostesses will be Tina Adams, Trish Johnson, Rhonda Hanson and Terri Fillmon.

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OPINION

Legal Matters

by Dan Morales, Attorney General

Domestic violence is a tragedy that strikes without regard to wealth, education, race or social status. Unfortunately, victims of domestic violence are most often women.

Domestic violence, also called battering, is a pattern of abuse behaviors that some people use to control their partners. Battering can include physical, sexual and emotional abuse as well as many other controlling behaviors.

The Office of the Attorney General, through the Sexual Assault and Crisis Prevention Services and Crime Victim's Compensation Divisions, works to educate people about the tragedy of domestic violence as well as to assist victims with their recovery.

I am pleased to share the following information on domestic violence.

You have a right to be safe

A person being abused may be confused, afraid, or angry. Often, abuse victims feel trapped and are dependant upon the abuser. Additionally, victims of abuse may blame themselves for what is happening.

It is vitally important that all victims of domestic violence know that they are not responsible for the abusive actions of a batterer. No one deserves to be battered. Everyone has the right to be safe.

For anyone attempting to get out of an abusive relationship it is critical that a safety plan for leaving be established. Having a well thought-out plan can very well be a matter of life or death.

Developing a support network is a good first step in preparing a safety plan to leave an abuser. The victim should work with trusted family members and friends to form a plan. Other groups that can offer assistance include health and counseling centers, domestic violence service providers, women's shelters, churches and legal aide organizations. Such organizations are available in every city and community.

Preparing to leave

Leaving a batterer is the most dangerous time for the one being abused. When making preparations to leave an abusive situation, victims should:

- Open a checking account or savings account in their own name.
- Leave money, an extra set of keys, copies of important documents, extra clothes and medicines in a safe place or with a trusted friend.
- Get a post office box.
- Find a safe place to go or a person who can lend them money.
- Always keep the shelter phone, number and some change or a calling card if an emergency call needs to be made.
- Have an escape plan for children in case a violent situation occurs.
- Make arrangements for pets to be cared for in a safe place.

Where to go for help

Victims of domestic violence are not alone. There are numerous people and organizations that are willing and waiting to help.

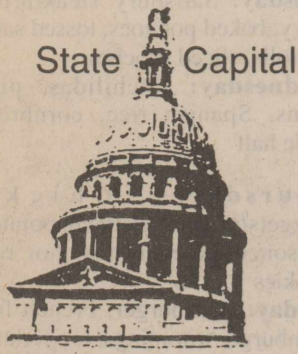
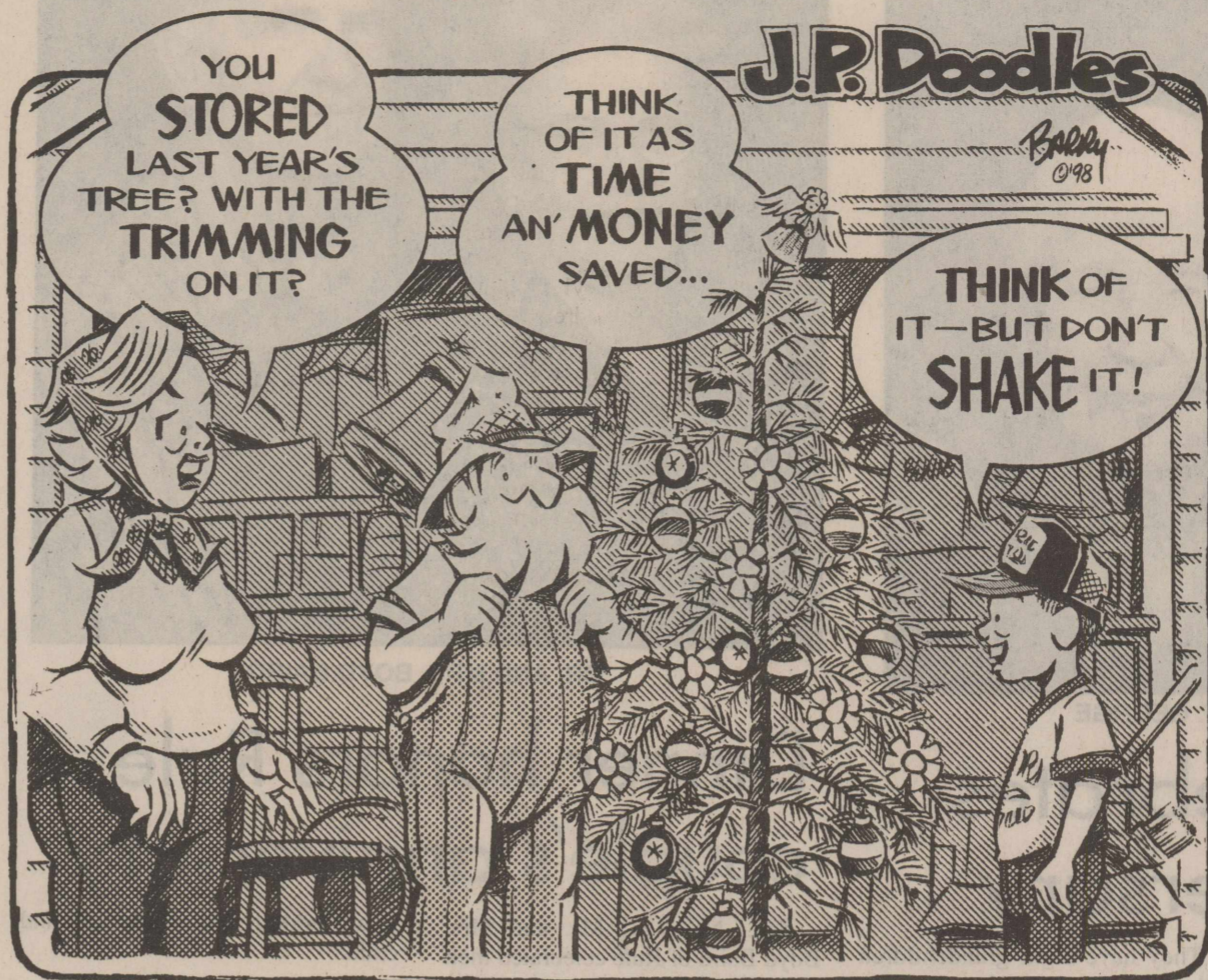
The most important number to remember is 911. If you, or a loved one, is ever involved in a violent situation, you should immediately call the police.

Other important numbers include:

- Texas Department of Human Services Abuse Hotline 1-800-252-5400
- Women's Advocacy Project-Family Violence Hotline 1-800-HOPE (4673)
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All deadlines are 5 p.m. on Monday.



State Capital

HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — A multistate inquiry into alleged mistreatment of consumers by one of the nation's largest sellers of credit insurance ended Nov. 23 with the company's agreement to pay fines totaling \$12 million.

American Bankers Insurance Group agreed without admitting any violations of state insurance laws, and 24 states will share the fine.

Of the fines, Texas is to receive nearly \$597,580. The money will go into the state's general revenue fund, but there also will be restitution to consumers, Texas Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer said last week.

American Bankers underwrites credit insurance plans, such as those sold by department store chains to their credit card customers and others who finance purchases of appliances and other big-ticket items.

American Bankers allegedly charged more than authorized rates, failed to make required refunds to consumers and underpaid claims filed by its customers.

Warning Signs to Be Installed

Americans are learning the hard way that it is illegal to carry firearms and ammunition across the border into Mexico.

On the heels of a recent increase in travelers serving jail time for such offenses, the Texas Department of Transportation announced plans to spend \$600,000 to install signs along the border warning travelers about carrying firearms into Mexico.

More than 50 new signs will be posted at border crossings from El Paso to Brownsville.

Holiday Road Safety Urged

Before Thanksgiving, the Department of Public Safety beefed up surveillance on Texas highways in anticipation of heavy traffic.

DPS Director Dudley Thomas stressed the need for heightened traffic safety.

"The Thanksgiving holiday is one of the busiest travel times of the year. Motorists headed to see family and friends will have plenty of company on the roads and it's imperative they give themselves every chance of arriving safely at their destination," he said.

Last year, Thanksgiving was the single-most deadly holiday period in Texas, resulting in 48 fatal crashes and 55 deaths. Forty-four percent of those who died

were killed in alcohol-related crashes and 45 percent of those who died were not wearing safety belts.

HIV Name Reporting to Begin

Texas doctors, hospitals and medical providers will be required to report the names of Texans who test positive for the AIDS virus beginning Jan. 1.

Anonymous testing for the human immunodeficiency virus, which causes AIDS, still will be available, but the new rules, adopted unanimously Nov. 20 by the state Board of Health, will require medical providers to send to the state the names, if they know them, of any patients found to have HIV.

Confidentiality of the tests has not been compromised since anonymous testing began several years ago, according to the Board of Health.

Other Highlights

■ The Texas Education Commissioner Mike Moses said last week he wants to raise the percentage of students who must pass the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills exam for a campus to get a rating of acceptable. He also said he wants to add the Algebra 1 end-of-course exam into the accountability system.

■ The Texas Education Agency has nominated 37 Texas public elementary schools for the U.S. Department of Education's 1998-99 Blue Ribbon Schools Program. The nominated campuses demonstrated strong leadership and working relationships among the school, parents and others in their communities. National finalists will be selected in January.

■ Texas Parks and Wildlife Department says the number of boating-related deaths in the state has dropped from 66 in 1997 to 44 this year. The agency attributed the decrease in deaths to new, tougher boating regulations.

■ The Travis County medical examiner last week ruled alcohol poisoning caused the death of University of Texas fraternity member Jack Ivey Jr., a 23-year-old junior from Plano. The university is investigating.

■ Robert E. Sovil Jr. of Georgetown pleaded no contest last week to misdemeanor charges of possession of a gambling device and gambling promotion in the state's first successful prosecution of eight-liner gambling machines.



From The Inside Out

By Mary Kaigler

Korean War veteran, twice-decorated hero, 65-year-old Jack Neathery of Rochester, attended his first Veterans Day ceremony Nov. 11, at the Veteran's Administration Medical Center in Big Spring. He is a patient there awaiting a liver transplant.

The son of Jackie and Ethel Neathery, Jack Neathery and Carol, his wife of thirty years, farm cotton and peanuts in Rochester with son, Joe Neathery. They have two living children and five grandchildren.

In an interview in the *Big Spring Herald*, Neathery spoke of his memories of being an 18-year-old youth who enlisted in the Army and was sent to Korea.

As a member of The Pagan Raiders, a National guard special forces fighting detail composed mostly of regular Army soldiers, Neathery was positioned on the front lines throughout most of his 18-month tour of duty.

Neathery, who received the Silver Star and Bronze Star for his courage in Korea, said "I received them for doing my job."

"There's a very fine line separating the hero from the coward. So many people didn't come back."

Staff Sergeant Jack Neathery found himself leading his men on many occasions, as the highest ranking soldier left, after catastrophic battles. "This was

about the buddy system. A lot of times we didn't have officers, they were either dead or they just didn't replace them. I was a squad leader and my place was to keep the guys alive. The Raiders wouldn't leave anyone behind. I was proud of what we were doing, and especially my fellow Raiders. We were real close," he said.

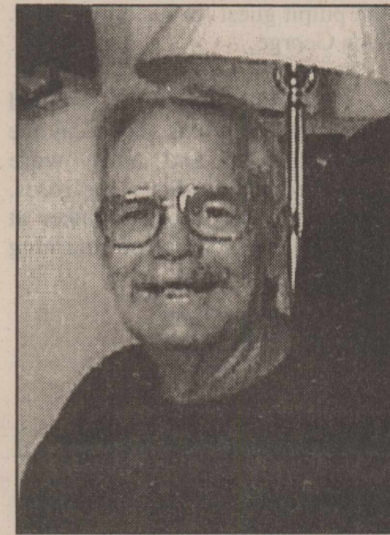
"I felt like I was blessed because I knew that line between aggression and cowardice. There was a brotherhood then and the feelings we had for one another I can never experience again. I feel like I am a part of America," he said.

Neathery said his faith in God remained strong throughout his tour of duty. "I tried to do it like I do everything else. I put it in the Lord's hands. I believed the Lord was with me and that I could do anything. I tried to help. I didn't hate the Chinese, but when you're fighting, you're fighting," he said.

Following his discharge, Neathery worked as a scuba diver for the government recovering missiles off the west coast.

Now living and farming in Rochester, Neathery enjoys hunting, fishing, searching for arrowheads and playing with his 12 dogs.

In the book, *Circle of Courage*, which includes Neathery's war



JACK NEATHERY

experiences, author Capt. Al Chamberlin said Neathery "is one of the bravest and best soldiers I ever had the honor to serve with."

Speaking of his present hospitalization, Neathery said, "I've been a fighter all my life. Now I'm fighting the drought and this liver transplant."

With her husband now #10 on the waiting list for a liver donor, Carol Neathery said they are hoping for a December or January date for the operation.

To this brave, believing, American fighter who took his youth and courage to war for our country, we have to say, "God speed."

From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago December 8, 1988

Sheila Unger, Joy McKeever, James Rike and Missy Davis were named to the all-tournament team at the Graham Invitational Basketball tournament.

Wallace Allison of Rule won the grand championship of the Haskell County Pecan Show. His entry of Shoshoni pecans was judged the best of the show.

Top winners in the store decorations contest sponsored by the Haskell Chamber of Commerce were Aladdin House, Boggs & Johnson and Hassen's.

20 Years Ago December 7, 1978

The Rule boys won first place in the Paint Creek High School Invitational Basketball Tournament. Knox City placed second. Paint Creek girls won first and second place was won by Throckmorton.

Joseph Thigpen killed a large ten point buck in southwest Throckmorton county. The antlers had a width of 18 inches and field dressed at 135 pounds.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kupatt and Kris of Sagerton attended the annual 4-H Awards Program in Haskell. Kris received the citizenship award and Mrs. Kupatt was recognized for outstanding service as a 4-H leader.

30 Years Ago December 5, 1968

Jim Newton, formerly of Anson, has been named manager of the Cobb Lumber Company.

The Jaycees Annual Christmas tree sale is now in full swing. The Jaycees have a large number of trees for sale located on the courthouse square.

The Rainbow Sewing Club held their Thanksgiving Festival in the Annex of the Methodist Church. Mrs. Jim Fouts led the singing with Mrs. J. F. Cadenhead, Sr. at the piano.

40 Years Ago December 4, 1958

Members of the HHS Future Farmers of America have been busy helping lay forms for foundation of the Student Union building being placed adjacent to the municipal swimming pool.

The Weintert Cub Scouts of Pack 28 had their monthly pack meeting when badges were awarded to six Cubs. Cubmaster Bobby Owens presented badges to Rocky Sanders, Ronnie Alexander, Ross Dunnam, Larry Sanders and Frank Dutton of Den 1 received Wolf badges and Gilbert Jiminez received his Bobcat badge.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Bland of Haskell spent the Thanksgiving holidays with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Curt Pennington at Buchanan Lake.

50 Years Ago December 2, 1948

Margaret Lasseter was chosen as sweetheart of the Dave Person Chapter of the FFA.

Miss Carolyn Turner was named secretary of First Baptist Church. Miss Turner is a 1947 graduate of Haskell High School and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Turner.

A. M. Turner, local business man and vice-president of the Chisholm Trail Council of Boy Scouts of America, was awarded the Silver Beaver award at the annual meeting of the council held recently in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Middleton and children visited in the home of his parents in Abilene during the Thanksgiving holidays.

80 Years Ago December 7, 1918

Elmer Wall, manager of the Fields and Hunt Store in Rule, was a business visitor in Haskell.

Sam Loe returned from Louisiana where he had been working for the Western Union Telegraph Company.

John Brock is in Haskell on furlough and is visiting homefolks. He was among the first Haskell county boys to volunteer, joining the Navy in April, 1917.

O. E. Patterson made a business trip to Montague county the first of the week.

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Sagerton News

By Dorothy M. Clark

week of Nov. 26

Football season came to a close Friday for our Rule Bobcats and we congratulate the boys for representing us so well and so far into the playoffs. This was the final game for our two Sagerton seniors, Michael Hunt and Richie Culpepper. Other team members from our community are Brian Lehmann and Jeremy Hertel. We are proud of our team and especially proud to have so many local boys playing. We look forward to seeing them in the upcoming basketball games and then again next year on the football field.

To refresh the memories of ex-students of Sagerton, two of the players on the Rule team, Brian Lehmann and Josh Smith, are grandsons of famous Sagerton football players who excelled in the sport during their high school years here. Brian Lehmann's grandfather is Clancy Lehrmann and Josh Smith's grandfather was the late Norvell Lehrmann. The Lehrmann brothers were outstanding athletes during their school days playing for the Sagerton Eagles.

The Friendship Club met at Faith Lutheran Church Thursday, Nov. 19 for its Thanksgiving dinner. Frances Clark and Alvin and Ev Ulmer furnished the turkeys for the meal and Joyce LeFevre and Mary Neinst were the cooks for the delicious turkey and dressing. Ladies of the community furnished a large variety of vegetables and delicious desserts for the bountiful meal enjoyed by: Isabel Mrazek, Minnie Monse, Gus and Eunice Vahlenkamp, Corene Lowack, Leona Schonherstedt, Leroy and Polly Nehring, Oleta Rinn, Odene Dudensing, Herbert and Christine Stremmel, G. W. and Ophelia LeFevre, Louis and Adeline Spitzer, Larry LeFevre, Freida Knipping, Joe and Dorothy Clark, Alvin and Ev Ulmer, Mary Neinst, J. B. and Dorothy Toney, Michelle, Megan and Clay Toney, Bob and Lana Culpepper, Pastor Jeff, Marie and Thomas Zell, Margaret Wendeborn, Marchel and Barbara Nauert, Nancy, Crystal and Michael Perez, Frances Clark, Lynn, Dudensing, Delbert and Joyce LeFevre and Ed Fouts. The birthday song was dedicated to Odene Dudensing and G. W. LeFevre and the anniversary song was sung for Bruce and Michelle Toney.

Lena Boedecker of Stamford visited with Minnie Monse Sunday afternoon.

Darin and Kimberly Dorothee of Fredericksburg spent the weekend visiting with her parents, Charles and Helen Diers and her grandmothers, Corene Lowack and Edna Diers.

Roy and Judy McEwen and sons visited in the home of her mother, Mary Neinst and attended church with her Sunday morning at Faith Lutheran.

The men's breakfast was held Friday morning at Faith Lutheran with the following attending: Marchel Nauert, Marvin Stegemoeller, Dean Quade, Lewis Corzine, Alvin Bredthauer, Gene Teichelman, Clancy Lehrmann, Clayton Stegemoeller, David Letz and Leon Stegemoeller.

Emma Raphelt spent the weekend in the home of her daughter, Dorothy and Joe Clark. Esther Kinman of Stamford was a guest in the Clark home for Sunday dinner.

week of Dec. 3

Another month has flown by and we begin preparations for Christmas with special Advent services at the church, Christmas program rehearsals, shopping, baking and planning for the family gatherings. We know everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving weekend with families and friends.

Children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and special friends gathered in the home of Joe and Dorothy Clark on Thanksgiving day to celebrate the 92nd birthday of Emma Raphelt of Stamford.

After a bountiful meal, the group assembled in the living room to help Grandmother enjoy her cards and gifts. Her grandchildren were the recipients of patchwork quilt tops given to them and made from scraps that she had saved over the years. Like all farm wives, she sewed most of the garments that her family wore and saved all the scraps of material left over to be made into a quilt some day. Another highlight of the day was when two of her great grandchildren, Christopher Adler and Christie Cotton, accompanied the group with their trumpets as they sang the birthday song and then played one of their grandmother's favorite hymn, Amazing Grace. Enjoying the day in Sagerton were: Don, Patsy and Tom Bivins of Valley View, Ray and Nancy Clark of Stamford, David, Peggy and Christopher Adler of Houston, Jeremy and Anna Willis of Montgomery, Calvin, Cherri Lynn, Eric, Ross and Christi Stegemoeller of Hewitt, Carl, Beth, Mini, Jonathan and Maegan Stegemoeller of Hobbs, N. M., Clyde Stegemoeller of Arlington, Juro Chomjak, exchange student from Slovakia, Clifford, Brannon and Bailey Stegemoeller of Houston, George and Ruby Olson of San Angelo, Gerald and Carrie Olson of Sanger, Leslie and Kay Baitz of Leander, Becky and Chrystie Cotton of Hutto, Rick Phemister and Emmalee Bivins of Haskell, Leon and Mae Stegemoeller, Melvin, Annella, Fred, Tami and Kami Baitz, Pastor Jeff, Marie and Thomas Zell, all of Sagerton.

Gail Lehrmann and Carol Schlueter from Denver visited with her family last weekend and attended the Rule playoff game in Silvertown. On Sat. the family visited in Claude and went to Palo Duro Canyon in Canyon and visited the museum there and toured the canyon. Thanksgiving day dinner guests in the home of Clancey and Helen Lehrmann included Steven, Karen, Brian, M'Lynn and Joanna Lehrmann, Jennifer Lehrmann of Texas Tech and Paul Page of Rule. The Bill Hertels were busy during the Thanksgiving holiday beginning with dinner in the home of her mother, Mrs. Gladys Martin of Stamford on Wed. with her brothers, George and Annella Martin of Amarillo and Monty Martin of Rule. On Thurs. they

were guests for dinner at the home of Mike and Cheryl near Rule. Then on Sat. they had all their children and grandchildren at their home for a holiday dinner and visiting. Present were: Gladys Martin of Stamford, Karla and Kenny Taylor and Misty and Will Smith of Spur, Craig and Annette Smith of Old Glory, Vickie, Jack, Jessica and Eric Ralph of New Braunfels, Mike, Cheryl, Michael, Jeremy, Kristin and Andrew Hertel.

Joe and Dorothy Clark, Corine Lowack, Meta Kupatt, Leona Schonherstedt visited in the home of Esther Kinman of Stamford Sun. afternoon and enjoyed games of 84.

Leon and Mae Stegemoeller entertained their children and grandchildren during the Thanksgiving weekend including: Calvin, Cherri Lynn, Eric, Ross and Christi of Hewitt, Clyde of Arlington, Juro Chomjak, an exchange student from Slovakia who is staying with Clyde and attending school in Arlington, Carl, Beth, Mindi, Jonathan and Maegan of Hobbs, N. M. and Clifford, Brannon and Bailey of Houston.

Corine Lowack hosted a pre-Thanksgiving day dinner in her home last Sun. for her children and grandchildren: Alden, Janice and Ricky Lowack of Old Glory, Darin and Kimberly Dorothee of Fredericksburg, Bobby, Kim and Kade Lowack and Charles and Helen Diers.

Members of the Leo and Minnie Monse family met at the Community Center on Thanksgiving day for their annual reunion and dinner. Family members and friends attending included: Isabell Mrazek of Aspermont, Doris Lehrmann of Rule, Virgil and Geneva Vahlenkamp of Denton, Bubba Mrazek of New Braunfels, Frances Howle of Clyde, Tommy, Debbie and Jennifer Mrazek of Plano, Bobby, Norva, Josh and Keli Smith of Rule, Randy, Carla and Vanessa Lehrmann of Sweetwater, Virgil, Francene and Andrew Vahlenkamp of Denton, Charles Vahlenkamp of Sanger, Mark, Brenda, Matthew and James of Denton, Dewayne Monse of Abilene, Barry Smoot of Abilene, Jason Mrazek of Lubbock, Hollie Smith of Levelland, Marchel and Barbara Nauert of Aspermont, Jason's friend, Alethea of Lubbock and Minnie Monse and Lois Monse of Sagerton.

Kay, Chelsea and Brian Tonnon of Sherman spent the Thanksgiving holiday visiting in the home of their grandmother, Frances Clark.

Kacy Baitz, student at Baylor University in Waco, spent the weekend visiting with his family, Fred, Tami and Kami and was guest organist at Faith Lutheran Sun. morning.

Everyone is invited to attend the weekly Advent Services at Faith Lutheran Church each Wed. night at 7:00 p.m.



KIDS AND FUN—Haskell Elementary students are enjoying the new playground equipment recently installed on the north end of the school grounds by Zef Perez and Ray Alvarez. Photo by Kids

Are you a binge eater?

by Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Extension Agent

An estimated two to five percent of Americans are binge eaters. Psychologist Dr. Mary Ann Moore counsels students at Texas A&M University. She sees students overeating every semester around finals, but says they are not binge eaters. The American Psychiatric Association sets this criteria: Binge eaters consume extremely large amounts of food at one time, such as three orders of fries and a gallon of ice cream. They eat very quickly and they do this at least twice a week.

Moore says one of the first steps in treatment is to get the binge eater to slow down, so their body can tell them it's not really hungry. Moore says depression and other negative emotions can bring on a binge. So therapy focuses on coping with these emotions. And Moore says she doesn't let patients label food as good or bad which can cause feelings of deprivation that might trigger binge eating.

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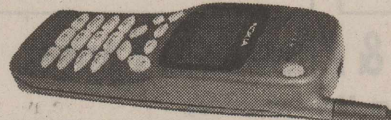
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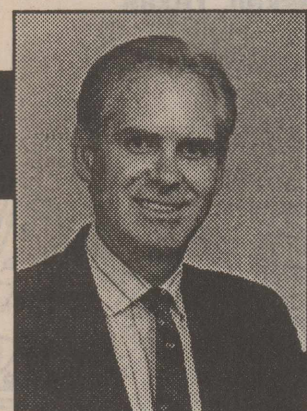
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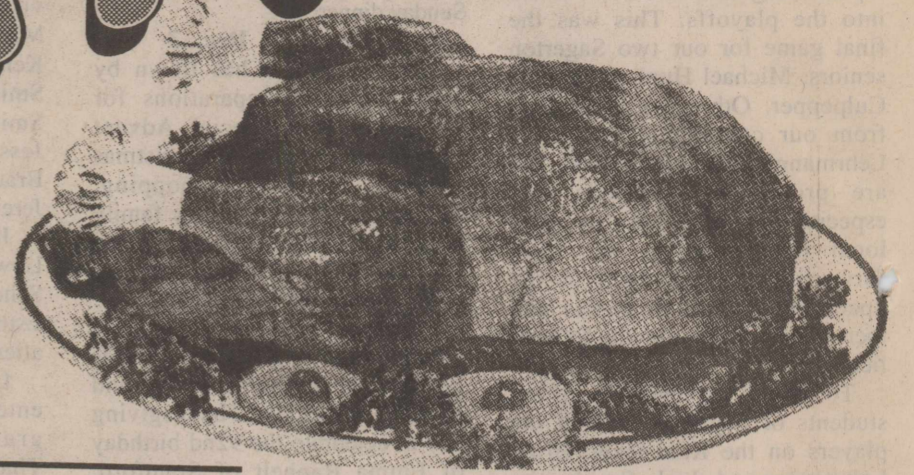
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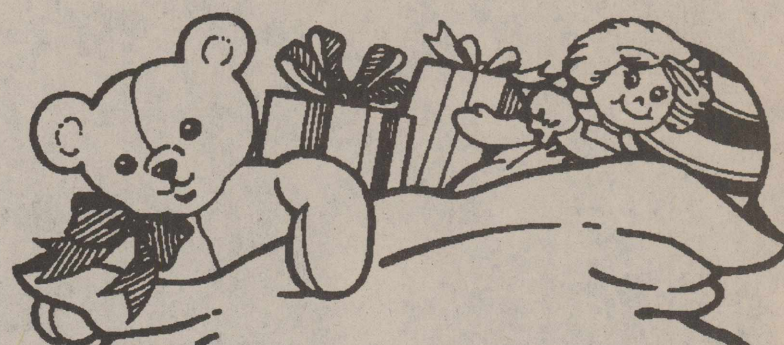
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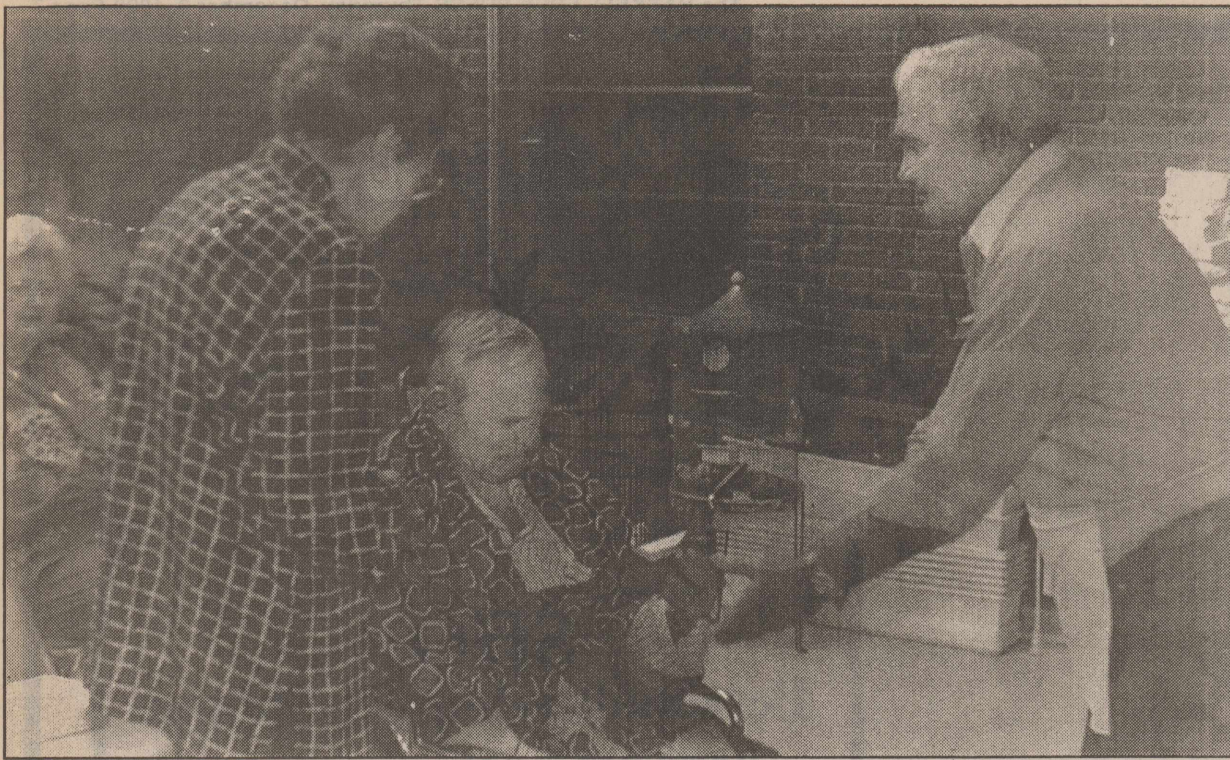
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AWARD GIVEN—Joe B. Cloud, resident of Rice Springs Care Home, looks at the Golden Trowel Award he was given for exceptional service by the Grand Lodge of Texas A.F. and A.M. Looking on are his wife Imogene of Rule, and J. N. Cornelius, W. M. of Rule Masonic Lodge 989, who made the presentation.



JUNIOR VARSITY—Haskell JV Maiden #51, Katie Thompson goes up against a Eula JV player during the Nov. 24 game which ended, Eula 52, Maidens 22. Photo by Bill Blankenship

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Ranchers urged to be aware of possible screwworm outbreak

by Greg Kaase
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
Livestock health officials are asking ranchers to watch for and collect suspicious larvae that may be detected in animals wounds, as an investigation continues into a possible screwworm outbreak near Rock Springs in Edwards County. "A rancher submitted nine suspicious fly larvae he collected from a wound on an angora goat Oct. 31," said Dr. Max Coates, deputy executive director for the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) the state's livestock health regulatory agency. The larvae have been examined by the National Veterinary Services Laboratory

(NVSL) in Ames, Iowa.

"On visual inspection, one of the nine fly larvae matched characteristics for the screwworm," said Dr. Coates. "Additional investigations are being conducted. However, in an instance where a foreign pest may have been introduced into the state, it is never too early to be watchful for other possible cases."

Dr. Coates urged producers to call the TAHC Lampasas office at 1-800-658-6642, the TAHC Beeville office at 1-800-658-6570, or the Austin TAHC headquarters at 1-800-550-8242, if they have detected unusual larvae. Fly larvae should be collected and the specimen should be placed in rubbing alcohol in a container, such as a glass jar or plastic pill bottle.

"Dr. Thurman Fancher, a TAHC foreign animal disease diagnostician, has made an onsite visit and is conducting a thorough inspection of livestock and investigation of animal movement," said Dr. Coates. "Texas and Mexico are considered to be 'screwworm-free,' so, we must determine how a screwworm fly could have entered the state to lay its eggs and hatch into larvae."

The screwworm fly was eradicated in the U. S. in 1982, but surveillance continues, as the pest has been reintroduced and quickly stopped on several occasions. In 1997, screwworm larvae were detected on a dog shipped to San Antonio from a military base in Panama. A quick thinking private veterinary practitioner detected and collected the larvae. The TAHC and U. S. Department of Agriculture immediately took appropriate measures to track the dog's movement into the U. S., disinfect sites and prevent the spread of the pest.

Prior to eradicating the screwworm fly, Texas producers spent millions of dollars each year on lost production, medications and manpower to fight the flesh-eating pest. In the early 1960s, researchers Dr. Edward Knipping and Dr. Raymond Bushland developed sterile male screwworm flies. The flies mate with fertile females, but produce no offspring and eventually, the population dies out.

The eradication effort has been continued through Mexico and into Central America. A sterile screwworm plant is in operation in Tuxtla Gutierrez, Chiapas, Mexico.

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Written By
Gerald Rodgers, CPA



SHOULD YOU INCORPORATE YOUR BUSINESS?

If you're a sole proprietor, you have probably wondered at some point whether you'd be better off if you incorporated your business. Here are some facts for you to consider.

The single biggest benefit of incorporating a business is limiting an owner's liability. In theory, a stockholder in a corporation risks only his or her investment in the corporation stock. A lawsuit against the company generally cannot be satisfied by attaching the stockholder's personal assets. In practice, most small corporation stockholders must personally guarantee bank loans for their corporations. Thus, if the corporation fails, the stockholder's personal assets are at risk. In addition, where personal services are involved, the individual performing the services may be personally liable for his or her actions even though the business is incorporated.

The second advantage of operating as a corporation is that it may be easier to raise capital because the business can do so by issuing stock and selling bonds. A third advantage is that ownership interest in a corporation is easier to transfer than in a sole proprietorship.

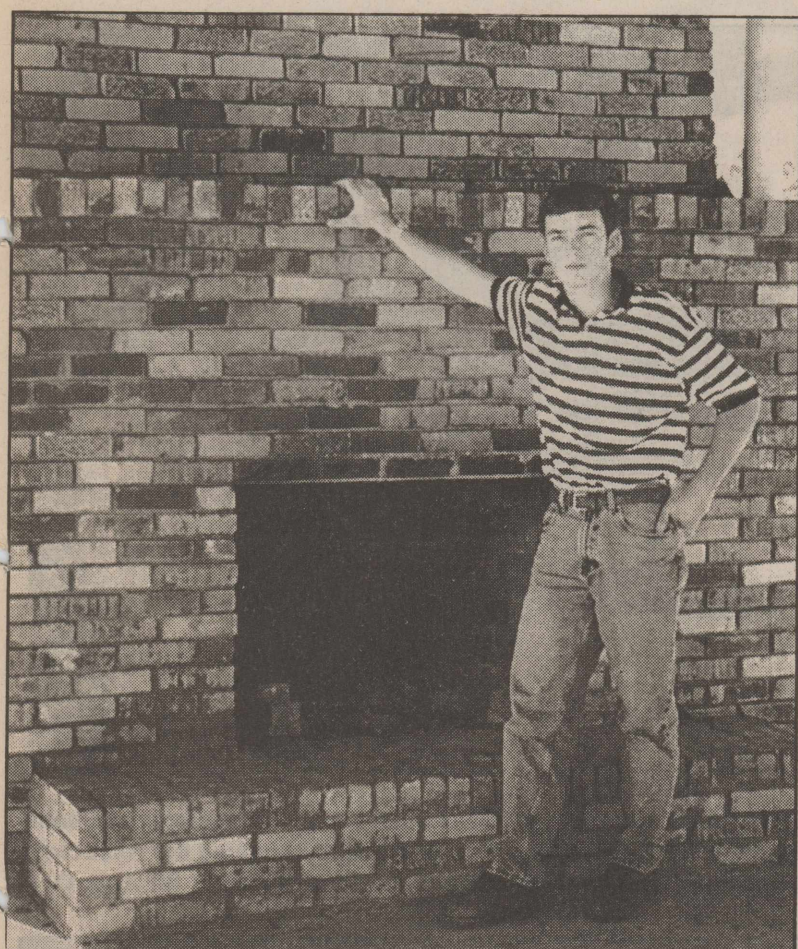
A corporation files its own tax return and pays its own income tax. Therein lies the major drawback to the corporate form: business profits may be taxed twice—once at the corporate level and again at the shareholder level when paid out as dividends or liquidating distributions. Double taxation can generally be avoided by electing S corporation status.

The corporate form does allow for more fringe benefits that are deductible by the corporation and tax-free to employees, including owner-employee.

No business owner should incorporate without carefully considering the pros and cons of doing so. Call our office and your attorney if you would like more information about the advantages and disadvantages of incorporating your sole proprietorship.

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EAGLE SCOUT—Sweetwater Boy Scout Brent Toliver stands at the restored fireplace he completed to earn his highest rank.

Brent Toliver earns Eagle Scout award

William Brent Toliver has achieved something that less than two percent of Boy Scouts in America accomplish—being judged worthy of receiving the rank of Eagle Scout. He was awarded his rank as an Eagle Scout Nov. 27, at First Baptist Church in Sweetwater.

The son of Brian and Leesa Toliver, Brent is a member of Troop 140 in Sweetwater. He is the grandson of Biggon and Glenda Drinnon and Bailey and Nancy Toliver of Haskell, and the great-grandson of Alta Faye Davis Field. His scoutmasters are Dr. Robert Musgrove, Scott Whittenburg, Martin Baker, and Dr. Jason Browning.

Requirements for achieving Eagle Scout rank are: earning 21 merit badges, 11 of them being required; serving actively in a troop leadership position for a period of six months after becoming a Life Scout; planning, developing and carrying out a service project worthy of an Eagle Scout; and appearing before a board of review of prominent persons who determine that the scout has lived up to the Scout Oath and Law, and in all ways, qualifies for the Eagle Scout Award.

For his service project, Brent chose to completely rebuild a large fireplace that he found crumbling at the community lake lot. Determining that he would rebuild the fireplace in the same location, he realized the need for more bricks. After running an ad for used bricks, he enlisted the help of friends and

fellow scouts to pick up the bricks and take them to the lake lot. Thirty-eight hours were spent collecting the donated bricks.

In planning the design for the fireplace, Brent researched the art of building fireplaces and bricking. Answering the call for expert guidance, Lester Batteas, a local contractor assisted Brent in designing the fireplace, teaching him how to properly lay brick.

After the old fireplace was removed and the foundation prepared, Brent and other scouts spent 16 hours cleaning the donated bricks.

Batteas and Brent instructed the other boys in how to lay the bricks, and after a few days, Brent was on his own to lead the others in completion of the fireplace.

A total of 313 1/2 hours were spent working on the project, which was finished Mar. 24.

Although he was notified in early June that he would receive this Eagle Scout rank, Brent waited to have his court of honor until his scoutmaster, Dr. Musgrove (who had moved to Minnesota) could be present.

The important and serious occasion of awarding the Eagle badge is an occasion for pride and joy; a time for serious contemplation and culmination of the scout's goal, and efforts of the various leaders of the scout. The Eagle Award is the highest and most coveted rank in Scouting, the last major step in the advancement program.

Exercise takes toll on feet

While exercise is great for the heart, it can take a toll on the soles of your feet that is.

"Feet are one of the most neglected parts of the body when it comes to fitness," said David Brennan, an exercise physiologist at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "Most people don't think about taking care of their feet until they hurt. By that time, damage may have already occurred."

Using proper shoes for your exercise is the most important "step" you can take to avoid foot problems.

"If you're participating in several activities, you need more than one

pair of shoes," cautioned Brennan. "Sport-specific shoes can help prevent injuries."

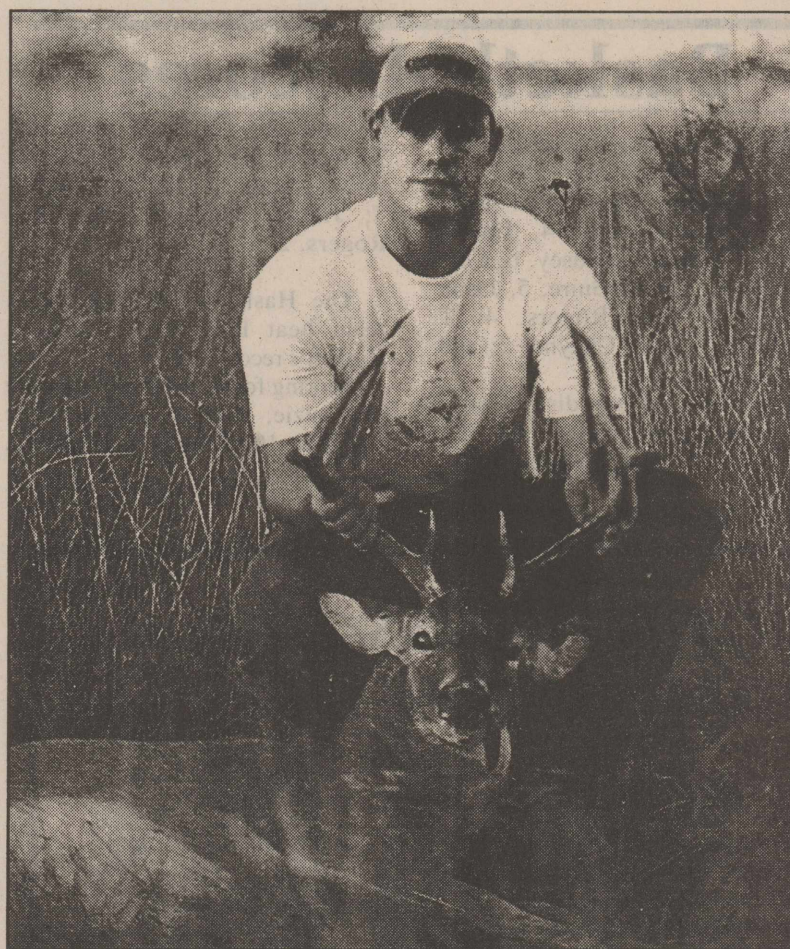
In addition, Brennan recommends:

- Always wearing socks to help absorb the shock of exercise and keep feet dry.

- Clipping toenails. Pressure from shoes can irritate nails, causing them to fall off.

- Rubbing or soaking feet after workouts. This helps to increase circulation and relax foot muscles.

"Your feet might be sore after a workout, but they should not hurt," said Brennan.



TWO GREAT SEASONS—Hardin-Simmons University student, Casey Thompson of Paint Creek, shot this eleven point buck over Thanksgiving break. He is a member of the H-SU football team which finished the year with a 9-1 record and won the conference championship.

Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Sorry I had no news last week but due to the early printing deadline and my going to Ft. Worth for an eye check up I didn't make it.

Visiting with Dee Sprayberry last weekend was her son Jerry L. Sprayberry of Dallas.

On Sat. Joyce's son, Bobby Hawkins, of Lewisville spent the day and Joyce returned with him to Irving where she visited Darlene, Daniel and Julie Conn and Tues. Glendon took her to Ft. Worth for the eye appointment. I got a good report. Wed. evening Glendon brought her back home and spent the Thanksgiving holidays and returned to Irving Sun. evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Clayton of Lewisville spent Sat. and Sun. visiting his mother I. V. Clayton. They also attended funeral services for Mrs. Billington.

Velma Mathews' daughter, Jan Alexander, of Wichita Falls came by for Velma and went to Midland where they spent Thanksgiving with Sonny and Martha Mathews.

Wade and Kam King of Stephenville spent the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Klose.

Leroy Steiman, Bobby Hawkins' friend from Eastland, met him here and they did some bird hunting, but no luck. They did see wild hogs which they hope to hunt soon.

Charlene and Tamera Hawkins of Irving spent the Thanksgiving holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Walters.

Enjoying Thanksgiving in Lubbock with Travis and Peggy Burson, were C. E. and Viola Tidwell and Dan Burson. Joining them in Lubbock were Bruce and Shelly Burson. All enjoyed going to Bruce's and Shelly's and seeing their new home. On Sat. Chunky and Viola Burson fixed birthday dinner for Dan.

Visiting in Haskell this weekend with his father and family from Arlington was O. T. Johnson. He also went to church with his father on Sun. morning and that afternoon when he left he took his Aunt Susie Jackson and Aunt Birdie Benford back with him to spend Thanksgiving.

Frank and Donna Jordan were in Sweetwater this week with her

mother. They will also be spending the Thanksgiving holidays with her mother and family where they also will be having their family reunion.

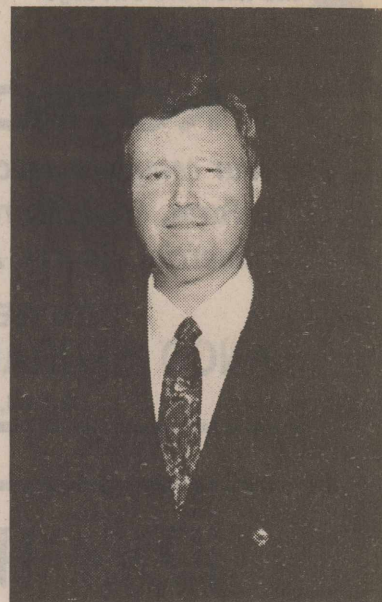
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Burgess has been the local State Farm representative for twenty-two years. During that time, in addition to his involvement in many civic organizations, Brian has been listed several times as one of his company's top 500 agents.



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Basketball scores

Haskell Indians basketball team was defeated by Vernon, Nov. 20, 69-52. Scoring for Haskell were: Robert Spells with 14, Jimmy Huff, 7; Michael Lindsey, 6; Cole Earles, 6; Cy McGuire, 5; Jason Isbell, 4; Trey Rogers, 4; T Nichols, 2; Trey Cheyne, 2; and Shane Steele, 2.

The Nov. 24 non-district boys basketball game ended Eula 79, Haskell 52, leaving Haskell's record at 1-2.

Scoring and points were by Trey

Cheyne, with 13; Shane Steele, 11; T Nichols, 10; Robert Spells, 6; Jason Isbell, 3; Michael Lindsey, 3; Jimmy Huff, 2 and Trey Rogers, 2.

The Haskell girl's basketball team beat Eula 43-32, making Haskell's record 2-1.

Scoring for Haskell were Shayne McKenzie, with 22 points; Bree Burgess, 10; Rosalinda Gonzalez, 4; Nikki Wallace, 4 and Tiffany Lindsey, 3.



OUTSTANDING EMPLOYEE—Linda Torres, associate at Bealls Dept. Store, located at 9 Ave. E. Haskell, received the Associate of the Quarter award for outstanding performance for Aug.-Oct.

This Week's Devotional Message:

DISPLAY YOUR LOVE ALONG WITH THE HOLIDAY DECORATIONS

The stores will tell you that the holiday season is now upon us, for the shelves are already sparkling with tinsel, ornaments and other symbols of the upcoming festivities. All of this is supposed to put you in an early holiday mood, but if it doesn't, you should examine your own feelings to find out why. There must be something wrong that will take more than all the glittering decorations or lighted candles to dispel. Perhaps you have developed an attitude of impatience or

discourtesy toward the world, which is aggravated by traffic jams, crowded stores, etc. No matter how busy you are, spend some time at your House of Worship, where you will learn to replace these negative traits with love. Be kind even to strangers, and you will be surprised at how much brighter your home — and your life — will seem, even before you put up the first holiday decoration.



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- Christian Church**
Dusty Garison, minister
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Gary Bruns, pastor
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- Iglesia Bautista El Calvario**
Vergil Smith
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 5 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
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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, II, 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
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John Lewis, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
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First Baptist Church

Jim Turner, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
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Rochester

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First United Methodist Church

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Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
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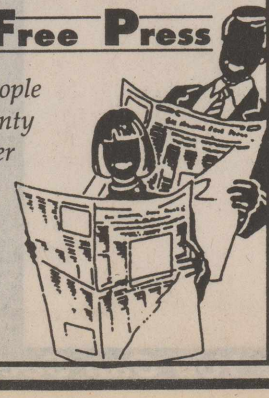
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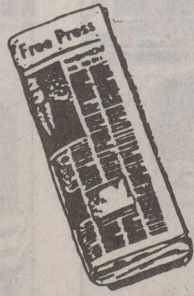
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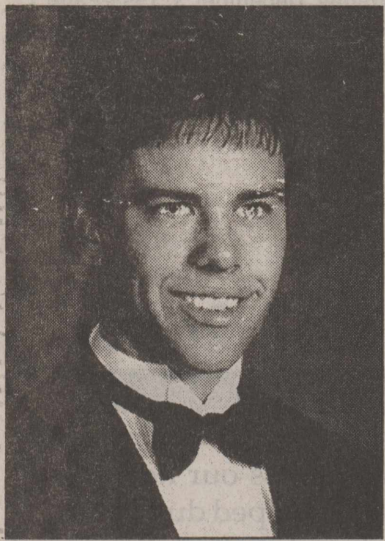
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Students visit Rotary Club

Heath Guess, son of Hal and Cindy Guess of Weinert, is active in football and golf.

Among the A Honor Roll student's favorite leisure-time activities are hunting, fishing, and hog trapping.

He is a member of the Weinert First Baptist Church.

After finishing Haskell High School, Guess plans to attend Tarleton University.

Chad Brendle, son of Rickie and Janna Brendle, is active in football, horse judging in FFA, and golf. He is on the A Honor Roll at Haskell High School.

Rodeo calf roping, fishing and hunting are some of his favorite things to do. He is a member of the East Side Baptist Church.

Brendle's plans after high school include attending Tarleton University.

Rule School sets financial aid meeting

A meeting concerning financial aid for students planning to attend college has been scheduled at 6:30 p.m., Thurs. Dec. 10 in the school library, by the Rule Independent School District, for parents of Juniors and Seniors.

Mrs. Corky Swanson, Director of Financial Aid at McMurry University will be on hand to give information and answer question about the process and standards for receiving aid, which are the same for all colleges, technical and trade schools, and other post-secondary schools. Recent updates on federal, state and school financial aids programs will be given.

Financial aid forms for 1999-2000 are now available. Information required will be worked through item by item.

Leslie Kupatt, Rule Guidance Counselor, reminds parents and students that it is helpful for them to learn about the financial aid process a year in advance.

She may be reached for further questions at 997-2783.

Other related dates planned are: Sat. and Sun., Dec. 5-6, Financial Aid Hotline representatives from Texas colleges and universities will be available to talk by phone to answer questions about financial aid. (In English and Spanish). Toll Free (877) 782-7322, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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Five Paint Creek Pirates named to All-District team

Paint Creek players named to the All-District 11, First Team Offense were Eric Hearn, Running Back, and Jodie Reel, End.

Named on First Team Defense

was Jodie Reel, Safety.

On Second Team Offense were Casper Phillips, End, and Sean Dancer, Center

Second Team Defense included

Casper Phillips, Lineman; Eric Hearn, Linebacker; and Blayne Davis, Safety.

Paint Creek players named to Academic All-District were Jodie Reel, Blayne Davis, and Eric Hearn.

Noah Project receives grant

Noah Project, Inc., Abilene's shelter for victims of domestic violence, has received a grant from the Texas Bar Foundation to aid in implementing the agency's new *Prescription for the Next Step* program.

A collaborative effort between the local legal and medical communities, *Prescription for the Next Step* is designed to give victims of domestic violence emergency access to legal assistance and support. Noah Project now has an attorney on staff who can handle situations which require immediate attention, such as protective orders. Access to

the attorney is by physician or Noah staff referral only.

Texas law now requires all medical personnel to provide and document referrals in cases of suspected family violence. But most victims are faced with—and often trapped by—legal issues, such as restraining and protective orders, child custody matters, dissolution of marriage, child spousal support, stalking, threats of harm to family and friends, no access to bank accounts, cars stolen by spouses, etc. *Prescription for the Next Step* allows emergency or family physicians, often the only person a victim trusts, to access the help

she needs.

The \$7,500 grant from the Texas Bar Foundation will provide necessary legal reference materials and some staff support for Kelly Knight, Noah Project's Attorney Advocate. Together with a grant awarded by the Texas Medical Association Foundation, it will allow for the development of training materials for attorneys and physicians to participate in the program.

The support of these two foundations will aid in matching a challenge grant awarded by a local foundation to implement this innovative program.

Fifty-two Haskell County students named to Who's Who

A total of 52 Haskell County students are included in the 32nd Annual Edition of *Who's Who Among High School Students, 1997-98*.

Who's Who, published by Educational Communications, Inc., Lake Forest, Illinois, is the largest recognition program and publication in the nation honoring high achieving high school students. Students are nominated by high school principals and guidance counselors, national youth groups, churches and educational organizations based upon students' academic achievement and involvement in extracurricular activities. Traditionally, 99% of *Who's Who* students have a grade point average of 'B' or better and 97% are college bound.

The 32nd Annual Edition of *Who's Who Among American High School Students, 1997-98*, published in 18 regional volumes, features over 700,000 students or just 5% of the nation's 14,000,000 high school students. They represent approximately 20,000 of the 24,000 public, private and parochial high schools in the

country.

Who's Who students also compete for \$200,000 in scholarship awards and participate in the publication's Annual Survey of High Achievers, and annual opinion poll of teen attitudes. The book is distributed to up to 15,000 high schools, colleges, universities and public libraries throughout the country.

Haskell County students selected include: From Weinert, attending Haskell High, Trisha Horan and T Nichols; and Lane Murphy, attending Munday.

Attending Haskell High School are Matthew Arendall; Brittany Bartley; Phillip Burbach-Brown; Candace Everhart; Patricia Fuentes; Michael Gady; Paula Harvey; Mindy Howard; Jason Langford; Priscilla Ortiz, Amanda Perry, Kira Potet; Jessica Thompson, Shauna Wolsch; Eric Brown; Charisse Felty; Amber Futch; Celeste Garcia; Paige Hagadone; Misti Henson; Jimmy Huff; Shannon Jordan; Micah New; Breann Peiser; Ross Pittman; Max Rojo; Heather

Steele, Landon Terry; Sherita Tidrow and Keisha Woodard.

Attending Paint Creek are Brandy Gardner; Stefania Isbell; Jason Shaw, Delinda Strickland; and Julie Carroll.

Attending Rochester High School are Elena Reyes and Veronica Slaughter.

Attending Rule High School are Maria Aguinaga; Benny Bundy; Lezli Jenkins; Eric Robinson; Janae Smith; Kayla Allison; Nathan Bowles; Grant Hisey; Lindsay Pike; and Gena Robinson

Partners for Children

Partners for Children will hold a Lunch-N-Learn for fifth and sixth grade parents at noon Dec. 3 at the Haskell Elementary Library. Partners for Children will meet at the Haskell Elementary Cafeteria at 7 p.m. Dec. 8. The meeting will focus on topics concerning fifth and sixth grade parents but all parents are invited to attend. For more information call 864-2654.

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