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Paint Creek vs. Benjamin Fri., Feb. 4, 6:30 p.m. at Paint Creek Paint Creek vs. Rochester Tues., Feb. 8, 6:30 p.m. at Rochester

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Calendar

Mailing date to appear weekly

Readers will note an addition to the box on page four of every issue of The Haskell Free Press. This bit of information will be added to inform readers of the date their Haskell Free Press is placed in the mail.

Stew luncheon

The Experienced Citizens Center in Haskell will hold a stew and cornbread luncheon Thurs., Feb. 3 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the center located at 1404 S. 1st. Tickets are \$4 each. Call 864-3875 for more information.

Rule Chamber banquet set March 6

The Rule Chamber of Commerce banquet will be held Mon., March 6 at 7 p.m. in the Rule School cafeteria. Prayer-E-Strings will provide the entertainment. The Junior Class will cater the meal. Tickets are \$8.

Lodge meeting

The Sons of Hermann Lodge meeting will be held Sun., Feb. 6 at the Irby Hall. The meeting begins at 3 p.m. The meal will be Mexican food and desserts.

Society to meet

The Haskell County Historical & Genealogical Society will meet Feb. 7 in the First National Bank Community Room at 7 p.m. Bill Neeley will present a program about Rath City, the old buffalo camp near Hamlin and Aspermont.

Art club to meet

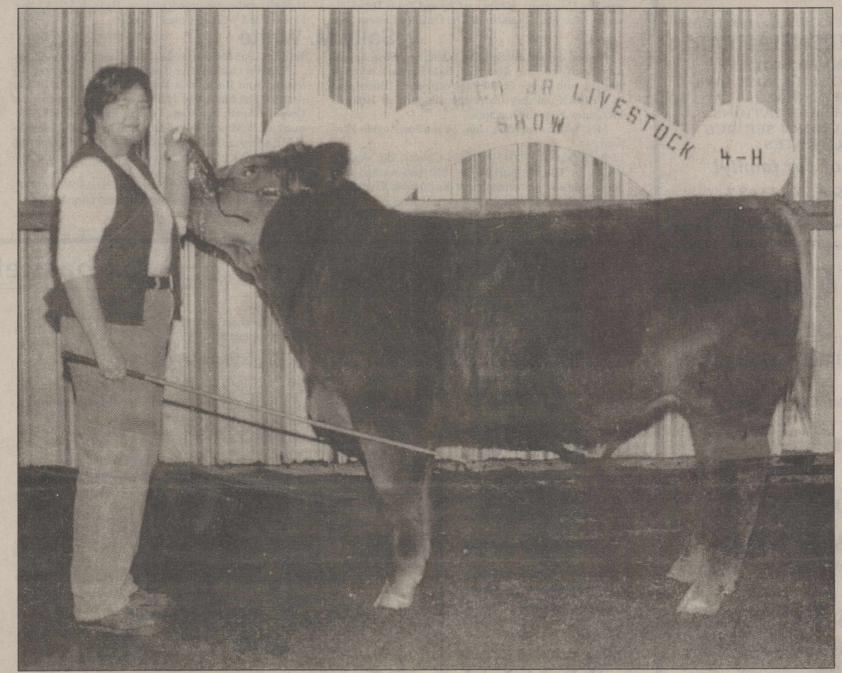
The Brazos West Art Association will meet Feb. 7 in the Haskell National Bank Community Room at 7 p.m. Becky Tubbs will be the artist of the month demonstrating the technique of pastels on watercolor.

Kiwanisfest Feb. 13

The Haskell Kiwanis Club has scheduled its annual roast beef dinner Sun., Feb. 13 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Haskell Civic Center. Tickets are \$6 in advance and \$6.50 at the door. Proceeds of the dinner will benefit the children of Sam Wade.

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GRAND CHAMPION MARKET STEER-For the second year in a row, Brittany Bartley of Haskell shows a winning steer in the

Haskell County Junior Livestock Show. Her Grand Champion entry was a European Steer.

Tom Robert Barnett puts Keller police on-line

By Mary Kaigler As a police officer in the city of Keller. Tom Robert Barnett may well be following in his father's

footsteps. The Haskell High School graduate, Class of '82, is the son of

served as Haskell's highly regarded and respected police chief for many years before his sudden death in April, 1993. The young officer's mother, Lee Barnett, has been with Wycliffe Bible Translators in Dallas for several years, since moving



CASEY AT THE BASKET-Haskell Indian, Casey Riley, goes around a Holliday defender to score during the Fri. game. Photo by Kis

In August, Keller police officer Barnett took a job in the youth services division and was given the task of updating the city's Neighborhood Watch files.

The files were kept in a metal box on 800 index card, some of them not being updated since the

Keller, a city Barnett describes as being "25,000 friendly souls," is located northwest of Fort Worth.

The Neighborhood Watch Program had been done away with, and Barnett said his job was to continued on page 2



a Holliday defender to put one in during the game which the Maidens won 45 to 39. Photo by Kis

Haskell Co. family farm honored

During the Texas Department of Agriculture's 25th annual Family Land Heritage ceremony at the Lyndon Baines Johnson Auditorium on the University of Texas campus, Jan. 21. the Tanner/Kittley farm in Haskell County was one of 184 farms and ranches recognized and honored as being in continuous family operation for 100 years or

In making the announcement, Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs said, "Texas has been built on a rich legacy and heritage that has endured through generations."

The Family Land Heritage Program honors families who continue to make strong contributions to Texas Agriculture.

Jack Kittley of Rule is the third owner of the Tanner/Kittley farm. It was originally owned by George Washington Tanner, who bought several tracts of land totaling 1800 acres in 1890. His daughter, Alea Pittman, was the second owner, Jack Kittley is G. W.'s great-

Some of the Tanner land was given for the Tanner Cemetery. now known as the Fairview Cemetery, and for a school, now on land owned by Ray Carter.

G. W. Tanner came to Haskell County from Coryell County in 1889. His wife died in 1903 and he died in 1924. Both are buried in Tanner Cemetery.

Commissioner Combs said that the Family Land Heritage Program has become an important milestone in the history of Texas' agriculture families. This year's ceremony marks the silver anniversary of a program that has already recognized over 3,400 farms and ranches. Combs said the program will continue to "help us honor the promise and potential that will be passed on to our sons and daughters, grandchildren and greatgrandchildren."

55-Alive driving class to be held

The Experienced Citizens Center of Haskell is sponsoring a 55 Alive/Mature Driving class Mon. and Tues, Feb. 14 and 15, from 1-5 p.m. each day, at the Haskell National Bank Community Center. Attendance at both sessions is required.

Designed by the American Association of Retired Persons (a non-profit organization), the course is open to those 50 years and above. The material deals with changes that take place in those of this age group and that directly affect driving safety.

The cost is ten dollars and at the end of the second session a certificate is issued, entitling the bearer to a 10% auto insurance deduction for three years.

For further information, call 864-3875 or (940) 743-3204. Owen Aikin is the certified instructor.

Little Dribblers tryouts set Thursday evening

Adult leaders of the Little Dribblers basketball program for Elementary School age students have announced that tryouts for teams will be held Thursday evening. Feb. 3, in the Haskell Little Gym.

Times for the tryouts are:

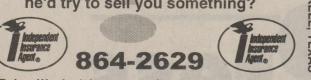
5:45 p.m. 3rd & 4th grade girls 6:45 p.m. 3rd & 4th grade boys

7:45 p.m. 5th & 6th grade girls

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Obituaries

Jessie Sue Armstrong Couch

Funeral services for Jessie Sue Armstrong Couch, 91, of Pecos were held Sat., Jan. 8 at 1 p.m. at the First Christian Church with Rev. Chris Diebel of Abilene officiating. Burial was at Mount Evergreen Cemetery directed by Pecos Funeral Home.

Mrs. Couch died Wed., Jan. 5 at Reeves County Hospital in Pecos.

Born Oct. 17, 1908 in Grand Falls, she was the third of thirteen children born to Gadie and Charlie Armstrong, an early West Texas pioneer family. She was the first girl to be born in the Armstrong family in over 100 years. Jessie Sue moved to Pecos with her family as a young child. She continued her education and graduated from Pecos High School. She attended El Paso College of the Mines and Metallurgy (UTEP), Sul Ross State University, The University of Mexico City and Texas Tech University. She was a member of The Order of Eastern Star,

Funeral services for Sally M. White, 84, of San Angelo were held Wed., Jan. 26 at East Side Baptist Church in Haskell with Pastor David Page officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. White died Mon., Jan. 24 at a San Angelo Hospital

Born Sept. 13, 1915 in Knox County, she was the widow of Thomas Earl White. She had worked as a nurse's aid and was a member of the Edmund Blvd. Baptist Church in San Angelo.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Phyllis White

Christian Women's Fellowship. 20th Century Club. Delta Kappa Gamma. Texas State Teachers Association. Texas Retired Teachers Association and the Reeves County Hospital Auxiliary and for many years served as secretary of the Reeves County Water Improvement District Number 2. She was a teacher for numerous years for the Pecos school system and touched many lives.

She was preceded in death by her husband, J. E. Couch, in 1994.

Survivors include two daughters, Susann Couch Flowers of Old Glory and Christie Couch Stapleton and husband, Max, of Haskell; three grandchildren, Jeff Flowers and wife, Lisa, of Aspermont, Jay Flowers and wife, Wendy, of Old Glory and Cathryn Hope Stapleton of Haskell; and great grandchildren, Hannah MacKenzie Flowers and William Cole Flowers.

Sally M. White

Nov. 21, 1963 and two brothers, Curtis and William Carter. Survivors include five daughters, Ruth Salazar of Big Spring, Ann Barler and Donna Sasseen, both of San Angelo, Sue McGee of Haskell and Linda Newbern of Corpus Christi; two sons, Truman Earl White of Albuquerque, N.M. and John Thomas White of Farmington, N.M.; one sister, Leona Carter of Haskell; 21 grandchildern, 21 great grandchildren and one great great grandchild

Pallbearers were Scott Newbern, Brian White, Tony Salazar, John Salazar, Travis Goetz and Lane Rutland.

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PD. ADV.

Barnett

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come up with some other program that the neighborhoods could help the police department with.

Rather than reshuffle the index cards, he went to the Internet and created a watch program that may point the way to the next century for other North Texas police departments.

Using a computer database and an e-mail system, Barnett has now transformed the Internet's most common usage from "You've got mail" to "You've got police information."

An article in the Jan. 21 edition of the *Star Telegram* reported that as a result of Barnett's innovative work, anything from home owner associations inquiries about sex offenders, to business owners wanting information about commercial thefts and hot-check writers, to residents looking for vacation safety tips, can be found on his network

Tom Robert Barnett is married to the former Christina Peiser. The couple has two children, Jessica and Caitlyn, who, according to their adoring grandmother Lee, are beautiful children.

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Albany Communications 500 S. Main Street 915-762-2333 The HSU President's List honors students who completed twelve or more semester hours with a perfect grade point average of 4.0 for that semester.

A Sagerton student attending Angelo State University in San Angelo is listed on the Dean's List for the fall semester at the university.

Among those listed is Paige Leigh Lammert, daughter of Danny and Helen Lammert of Sagerton.

A sophomore agricultural business major, Lammert maintained a 4.0 GPA while enrolled full time. She is a 1998 graduate of Stamford High School.

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Area basketball scores

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Haskell 45, Holliday 39
Scoring for Haskell: Wallace
14, Riley 9, Lindsey 8, Rodela 8,

Rule 56, Northside 33 Scoring for Rule: Trussell 15, Hisey 12, Lisle 9, McDuff 8, Stegemoeller 6, Ramirez 6.

Rule 39, Paint Creek 36 Scoring for Rule: Trussell 13, Lisle 11, McDuff 6, Stevens 5, Ramirez 4.

Scoring for Paint Creek: S. Isbell 22, Hearn 10, Salinas 4.

Benjamin 92, Rochester 31 Scoring for Rochester: Williams

12, Stoddard 11, Penman 3, Adkins 2, Reyes 2, Garcia 1.

BOYS

Haskell 72, Archer City 67

Scoring for Haskell: Lindsey
29, Earles 20, Riley 15, Hunt 4,

Threet 2, Huff 2.

JV Score-Haskell 49, Archer City 46, OT.

Moran 50, Paint Creek 40 Scoring for Paint Creek: Sagerser 8, Biba 7, Hope 6, Rivera 6, Hodges 5, C. Hobbs 3, E. Hobbs 3.

Rule 72, Northside 63 Scoring for Rule: Lehrmann 32, Harvey 15, Sotelo 9, Hertel 6, Smith 6, Hisey 4.

Rule 74, Paint Creek 31
Scoring for Rule: Harvey 21,
Hertel 9, Naverete 9, Hisey 8,
Lehrmann 8, Murray 6, Sotelo 4,
Smith 3, Flores 2, Faulkner 2,
Kittley 2.

Scoring for Paint Creek: E. Hobbs 12, Biba 6, C. Hobbs 5, Hope 3, Rivera 3, Sagerser 2.

Rochester 79, Benjamin 42 Scoring for Rochester: Byrd 20, Ruiz 17, Aguilera 12, Hearn 8, Taylor 7, Sanchez 6, Gonzales 5,

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DANIELLE TUBBS - CRAIG STORY

Tubbs, Story to wed in March

Shirley Larned Story of Wichita Falls has announced the engagement of her son, Craig Story, to Danielle Tubbs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pedro Garcia of Edinburg, and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Tubbs of Iowa Park.

The couple plans to be married Sat., Mar. 18, at First United Methodist Church in Wichita Falls.

Phelps celebrates birthday

Lona Mae Phelps of Haskell ce ebrated her seventy-fifth birthday recently and says she doesn't think she'll ever forget it.

On Sunday, she was honored at her church, First Assembly of God, when the congregation sang "Happy Birthday," and Danny Payne sang "Remind Me Dear Lord," one of her favorite songs.

Wednesday, two of her former co-workers, Candy Estes of Goree, and Pam Price of Aspermont, came to Haskell to take her to lunch. Friends Mary Jennings, Donna Tidrow and Peggy Hartline, who work with her in the office of Department of Human and Protective Services, also joined them for lunch.

Wednesday evening Phelps' daughter and family, Kenneth and Elaine Campbell, Karen, Kendall and Allison Mitchell, had a birthday

On her actual birthday, Fri., Jan. 21, the employees at the office held a party for her. Later that afternoon, her sister Ethel and Darwin Slade of Eagar, Arizona, came for a visit, spending the night with her.

Saturday morning they asked Phelps to go with them to Coleman to visit a brother, Travis and Wilma Sanders. As a surprise her brothers and sisters had planned a party for her in Coleman.

A barbecued brisket lunch with all the trimmings was prepared by the Sanders for guests Darrell, Sunday, Texas Marie and Phoenix Sanders of Coleman; Darwin and Ethel Slade of Eagar, Arizona; Marlene Sanders, Netha Carrouth, Renetha and A. J. of Cross Plains; Bill and Martha Maupin, William Mark, Denise and Mark Alexander Maupin, all of Odessa; B. D. and Marie Kirkland of Fort Worth; Walter and Sue Cox of Omaha; Brenda Sartain, Austin and Sallie of

of Aledo, and Elaine Campbell of After lunch, the table was cleared

Ore City; Jacky and Sandra Sanders

and covered with a lace cloth over pink and set with an arrangement of sweetheart roses and pink carnations with a star with 75 on it and a sign saying "Happy Birthday," a cake decorated with pink roses, punch and a special birthday book made by Sue Cox, in which all those present had written messages and put pictures of their families. Along with the book, several gifts and a large crystal bowl filled with money was given to the honoree.

Phelps said everyone should be blessed with such a birthday as she

Diabetes workshop set

by Lou Gilly Haskell Co. Extension Agent

If you are a person with diabetes, why suffer a lowered quality of life or diabetic complications at any age if you can avoid it by taking care of yourself.

If you have a loved one who has diabetes, why feel overwhelmed at the thoughts of helping them take control of their diabetes if you can avoid it by becoming better educated about the disease.

The Haskell County Office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service will be offering a series of six workshops for persons with diabetes and family members and friends of those living with the

Some of the topics to be explored during these workshops will be controlling the different types of the disease, combating and preventing long term side effects, planning and preparing meals for the diabetic and new approaches to controlling and living with diabetes that have come about recently.

The first meeting will be held Tues.. Feb. 15 beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Haskell County Extension Office located at 101 South Ave. D in Haskell. The other dates will be Feb. 17 and 24 and March 2. 7 and 9. All meetings will begin at 6:00 p.m.

Lou Gilly. County Extension Agent - FCS with the help of Tina Bitner will be the instructor for the

To help the instructors plan for the workshops, contact the County Extension Office by calling either (940) 864-2546 or 2658 to register. The workshops are free.

Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service or accommodation in order to participate in this series of meetings are encouraged to contact the Haskell County Extension Office at (940) 864-2658 to determine how reasonable accommodations can be made.

Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

On Sun. Margaret Tatum prepared lunch for those in her family who had a birthday in Jan. They were Garret Tatum, Jonathan Tatum, Candis Tatum and Billy

Joe and Pam Josselet of Dimmitt brought his mom Hope home after a month with them to recuperate. Clinton and Brenda Baccus came from Mansfield for the weekend with them.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Wright over the weekend was a grandson and family Devin and Tracy Wright and baby Tori of Iowa Park

Frankie Don White of Jacksboro came to his parents, Frank and Joyce White, on Fri. evening, spent the night, took them to Abilene on Sat. for Frank's doctor appointment, out to eat and spent the night Sat.

Brandon and Steffanie McFadden of Lubbock spent the weekend with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Arvil McFadden. On Sun. his brother and wife C. W. and Linda McFadden of Bryson came and spent the day.

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OPINION



HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — Most school boards, city councils and other governmental bodies traditionally have allowed citizens to speak during a time set aside for public comments at regular public meetings.

But in the last few months, some governmental bodies terminated the practice, saying that allowing citizens to comment on subjects not listed on the meeting agenda would violate a new Texas Open Meetings Act re-

The new requirement, which went into effect Sept. 1, prohibits governmental bodies' employees or another person from addressing a quorum of officials on non-agenda items.

Last week, Attorney General John Cornyn said governmental bodies in fact could allow citizens to speak on non-agenda items without violating the act.

Under the law, public officials may listen to citizens' comments,but cannot deliberate on or take action on an item not listed on the posted meeting agenda, other than to place an item on a future meeting agenda.

The attorney general's opinion was requested by Tim Curry, Tarrant County criminal district attorney.

Enviro Hot Line Debuts

Texans can now report environmental violations by calling a toll-free number.

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission's Environmental Violations Hot Line, 888-777-3186, automatically routs calls to the TNRCC office in the region from which the call originates.

Common environmental violations may include unusual taste or smell in public (not private) drinking water, fish kills, odor of gasoline from storm sewers or in basements and sludge in creeks.

Money Set Aside for Toad

voted to spend \$1.64 million to help save the rare Houston toad, an amphibian that hasn't been seen in Houston since 1960.

The 2-inch brown-and-green toad will get another 1,000 acres of wetlands next to Bastrop State Park in a land purchase from the nonprofit Nature Conservancy of Texas.

The land purchase is part of the a plan to assemble 15,000

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Official Warns of Drought

Jim Hull, director of the Texas Forest Service, said Texans will be at unprecedented risk if rains don't come soon.

Hull was among two dozen farm, ranch, banking, conservation and emergency management officials who testified before the 15-member National Drought Policy Commission in Austin.

Hull said Texas' explosive population growth and abundance of natural fuels such as juniper, combined with a lack of moisture, have created a potentially dangerous situation.

"We have never, ever experienced this much fuel buildup," Hull said.

Ed Chief Stresses Instruction

Education Commissioner Jim Nelson last week called for more emphasis on junior high and high school instruction to improve test scores and better prepare Texas students for college.

Nelson also said the state's new high school graduation test will measure a much broader range of academic skills and be tougher to pass than the current

On the new test are algebra I, geometry, English III, writing, U.S. history, biology and integrated chemistry and physics. The current test measures lowerlevel skills in math, reading and writing.

Other Highlights

■ Tort reform passed by the Texas Legislature in 1995 has not produced the huge savings for insurance consumers that some have claimed, according to a study by the Consumer Federation of America. J. Robert Hunter, a former Texas insurance commissioner and director of the consumer federation, attributed the slowing of insurance rate hikes in Texas to safer cars, Texas Parks and Wildlife the aging of the baby boomers and increasing competition between insurance companies.

■ In 1999, the Texas Attorney General's Elder Law and Public Health Division collected nearly \$1.7 million in civil penalties assessed toward nursing homes and assisted living facilities where violations occurred. The amount collected in 1999 is more than 3.5 times more than was collected in 1998, Attorney acres in Bastrop County for the General John Cornyn said.

Back the Indians!

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From The Inside Out

By Mary Kaigler

"On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my Country, to obey the Scout laws, to keep myself physically strong, mentally and morally straight," say the fifteen young men of Scout Troop 136 who met each week in the basement of the First United Methodist Church in Haskell.

I was there at their meeting last week as a member of the Texas Press Association, invited to speak about careers that are available in communications, it being their last requirement in an extensive study in earning their Communication

It was my first time to attend a Boy Scout meeting, although having had a daughter and serving as a Brownie Scout leader, I was not unaware of the scouting movement in America. But I was grateful for the opportunity to renew my acquaintance with it.

For the uninitiated, Scouting is often reduced to the stereotype of the dutiful Boy Scout helping an old lady across the street. But, for those with first hand experience, Scouting is more than doing the occasional good deed. In fact, the principle of "do a good turn daily," is kept constantly before the boys. Through the activities of the twelve point program of Scout law, the moral lessons of being trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent, scouts go from being boys to men.

It seems that "once a Scout, always a Scout," is true. The lessons and principles are with them for life. Most adult leaders involved in Scouting say it is because they were a scout themselves. Through such leaders the boys participate in activities, programs and outings, as they work to earn the twenty-one merit badges required for achieving the highest rank of Eagle Scout.

Not idly handed out, each badge requires an extensive study and execution of prescribed steps to reach the goals. Through the leadership of Scoutmaster Kenneth Patton and Assistant Scoutmaster, Clifford Short, the Haskell scouts are steadily adding to their merit badges, and enjoying the activities that Scouting affords.

The history of Scouting goes back a lot of years. The Scouting idea was founded after the Boer War by Lord Baden Powell to develop self-reliance, resourcefulness, courage and other hardy virtues. The movement was brought to the U.S. in 1910 by William D. Boyce, a Chicago publisher. In 1916 a sederal charter was granted by Congress.

Non-military, non-sectarian and non-political, scouting has been endorsed as a supplement to the schools, and is regarded as an educational agency based on principles of leadership for the boyhood of the nation.

Haskell Boy Scout Troop 136 has been chartered and sponsored by the First United Methodist Church since the 1940s. But scouts were meeting there as far back as the 1920s. (Across the country, Methodist Churches are among the most scouting-friendly agencies. There are now more than 421,000 youth meeting in Scouting Units in 8,000 local Methodist churches.)

I've found that a scout never forgets the many experiences they encounter. Tom Kaigler and John Kimbrough can recall memorable times as scouts meeting at the Methodist Church back in the late 1920s. Even the lighter moments of scouting and the memories of seventy years ago are fresh, and still add a dimension of pleasure for these vintage scouts.

Tom tells of one Jamboree at Buffalo Gap, probably in 1929, when he and other members of the troop's cooking team were demonstrating their cooking skills by baking eggs in the campfire coals. Their method called for wrapping the eggs securely in mud and placing them into the warm coals until they were cooked

enough to peel and eat.

When they tossed them into redhot coals, the eggs began exploding like "baby-giant firecrackers," throwing raw egg, shells and mud in every direction, literally leaving the cooks with egg on their face about their recipe. Tom remembers they didn't win the prize for cooking that day, but they did learn how not to bake an egg.

Today, although many aspects of scouting have changed and evolved with the times, the young men in the scouting program are still involved in such wholesome things as camping and backpacking trips into remote and wilderness areas, developing an awareness and appreciation of our created world, leadership abilities, and learning to be independent, assertive and selfconfident.

We can and should be proud and supportive of the young scouts in our town, as they develop into responsible young men who will be taking their places in careers, family and public life.

Perhaps, now more than ever, young people need the stability of life lessons and caring adult role models that Boy Scouting--and like

organizations--have to offer. United Methodists set aside a Sunday in February each year for Boy Scout Sunday. This year the local Methodists will celebrate Boy Scout Sunday on Feb. 5, with members of Scout Troop 136 and their leaders invited and honored at the morning worship service.

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Sincerely.

J. D. Guarnere

Chief Recruiter

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Dear Editor:

Brian Toliver, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Toliver, has completed

his studies at Texas Tech University with a B. S. degree in Agricultural Economics with an emphasis in Agri-Business Management.

From Out

of the Past

From the files of

The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago

February 1, 1990

Haskell Cub Scouts that were

top popcorn salesmen and won paid summer camp fees are Joshua Roysdon. Jason Shaw, Greg Rodriquez and Chris McSmith. The Grand Champion steer was shown by Heather Stewart and the Reserve Champion steer was

shown by Justin Stewart at the

recent Haskell County Junior

Anson Tigers 64-29 and the

The Haskell Indians beat the

20 Years Ago

January 31, 1980

Two Haskell Indians, Monnie

Hise and Giles Kemp, were named

to all area teams. Both Kemp and

Hise were named to the defensive

unit of the Abilene Reporter-News

All-Area team; Kemp as a lineman

Livestock Show

Maidens won 55-37.

and Hise as a back.

30 Years Ago January 29, 1970

Don Newhouse of Menard has joined the Haskell Farmers Home Administration.

Mike Gholson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Buster Gholson, has completed requirements for Bachelor of Business Administration with a major in accounting at Texas Tech University. Gholson is a 1965 graduate of Haskell High School.

The Rotary Club met in the banquet room of the City Cafe with president, Eldon Anderson, presiding. Invocation was given by C. A. Thomas, Jr. and the singing was led by Bob Herren.

40 Years Ago February 5, 1960

The F. F. A. talent show was held at the Haskell High School auditorium. First place winner in the High School division was a jazz band from Rochester; second place went to the Nine Teens, HHS choral group; and third place to The Larks, Rochester High School choral group.

Bill Ratliff, well-known Haskell lawyer, has officially announced his candidacy for County Attorney

of Haskell County. A three-pound can of Crisco is

69 cents at M-System.

50 Years Ago

February 2, 1950 Mr. and Mrs. Alton Middleton

has purchased The Hub dry goods and sporting goods store. Mr. and Mrs. D. J. McCain and Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Lofton have

opened Town & Country Shop, a mattress factory and upholstering shop at 107 North Avenue C. The Weinert Matrons Club met in the home of Mrs. Clyde

Mayfield for a very interesting program on "International Relations.' Mildred Chapman, daughter of

Mr. and Mrs. Hallie Chapman, received her B. S. degree from T.C.U. in Fort Worth.

90 Years Ago January 29, 1910

The Mothers Club is sponsoring a basketball game to be played soon between the Haskell High School girls and Stamford.

C. D. Grissom and son have rearranged their department store and now have the grocery stock in the front of the east section of their building.

R. W. Herren returned Saturday from a business trip to Corsicana.

Miss Sally Hughes, who is a teacher at Sagerton, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Hughes.

Miss Humphreys of the Howard School was a visitor in the Free Press office. She reports her school progressing nicely.

Hospital

Admissions Mary Isbell, Haskell Lydia Klose, Haskell Felix Klose, Haskell Wiley Rimmer, Haskell Les Jameson, Goree Dismissals

Lena Tackett, Juanita Fuentes, Jerry Smith, Weldon Hardy

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

I would like to thank everyone involved in making Jump Rope for Heart such a big success this year. We raised \$4,474.66 thanks to the kids and their parents hard work along with those of you who donated.

I especially thank Sport About, Sonic and Pizza Pro for their involvement in the jumpathon. I feel extremely fortunate to live in such a caring and giving community and having the privilege of teaching such wonderful children.

Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 673 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., Jan. 29, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

Packer cattle 2-4 higher; stocker feeder steady 1-2 higher; stocker cows-pairs steady.

Cows: fat, .36-.40; cutters, .35-.43; canners, .28-.32. Bulls: bologna, .45-.54; feeder,

.68-.75; utility .42-.48. Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.15-1.35; 300-400 lbs., 1.00-1.18; 400-500 lbs., .94-1.05; 500-600 lbs., .84-.96; 600-700 lbs., .82-.88; 700800 lbs., .72-.85; 800-up lbs., .70-

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .95-1.05; 300-400 lbs., .87-.98; 400-500 lbs., .78-.88; 500-600 lbs.,

frame No. 1 young and middle aged, 640-780; aged or small, 575-

.75-.85; 600-up lbs., .64-.82.

Bred Heifers: medium frame,

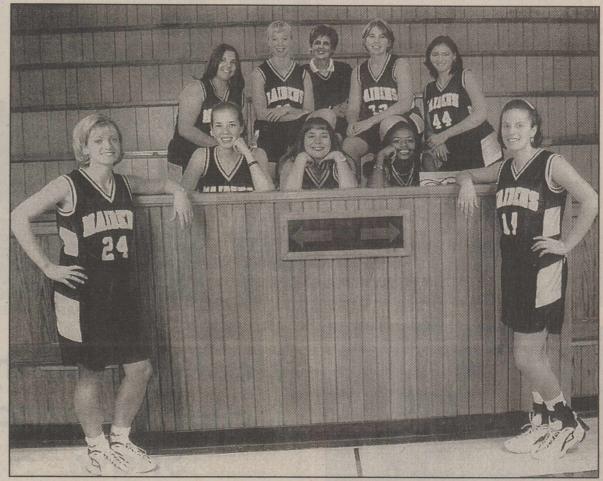
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Bred Cows: young to middle aged, 475-645; aged or small, 450-

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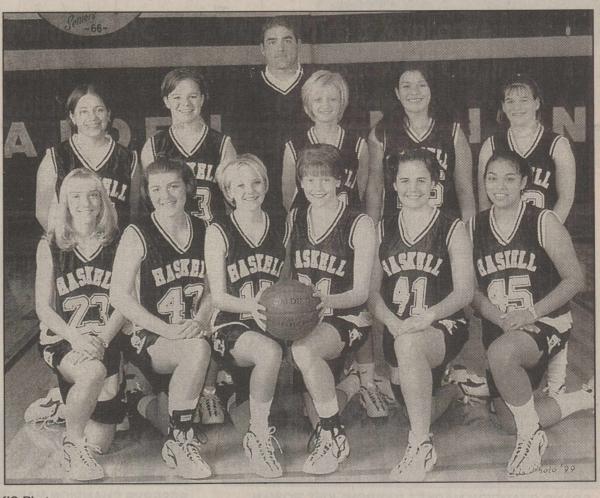
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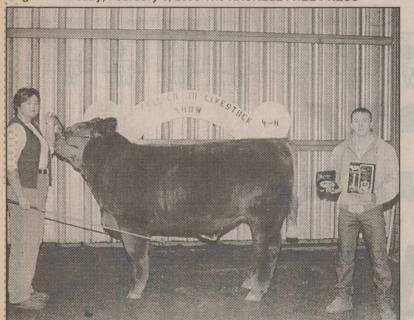
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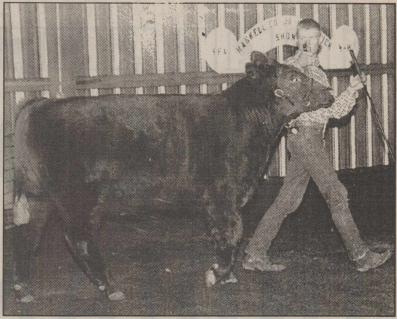
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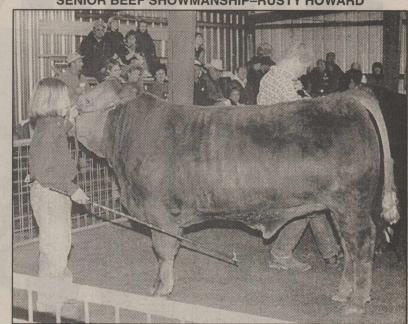
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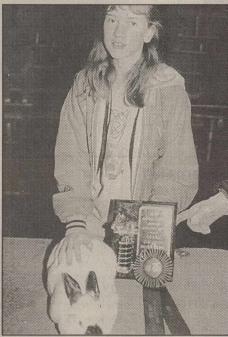


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Haskell County Junior Livestock Show

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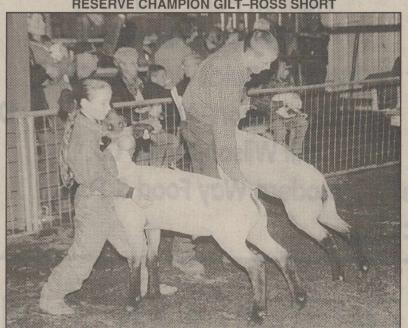


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RESERVE CHAMPION MARKET LAMB-B. J. OPSAHL

Haskell Co. Jr. Livestock show results

With total sales of over \$60,000.00 at the close of the sale following the Haskell County Livestock Show Sat., and at least \$3,000.00 more expected to come

in, this year's show and sale far exceeded last year's show, which brought a total of \$57,000.00.

Exhibitors participating in the sale totaled 102, with many of the youngsters showing multiple stock. About 340 buyers were involved

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Dale Bullinger said Tuesday that he was pleased with the good results of the show. "It was surprising," he said, "far exceeding expectations, considering the state of the economy and the prevailing agricultural conditions in the area."

He added that all contributions to the success of the show are

Results of the Haskell County Jr. Livestock Show are listed below by class and division. Rabbit Division

Breeding Rabbits Grand Champion-MacKenzie Miller, Haskell Co. 4-H Reserve Grand Champion-Kelsie Miller, Haskell Co. 4-H American Fuzzy Lop

White Does 1st-Kelsie Miller, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-MacKenzie Miller, Haskell Co. 4-H. Colored Does

1st-Kelsie Miller, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-MacKenzie Miller, Haskell Co. 4-H; 3rd-Kelsie Miller, Haskell Co. 4-H. California Does

Junior 1st-Amy Hamilton, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-Amy Hamilton, Haskell Co. 4-H. Senior

1st-MacKenzie Miller, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd Kelsie Miller, Haskell Co. 4-H; 3rd-Ryan Burgess, Haskell Co. 4-H; 4th-Amy Hamilton, Haskell Co. 4-H. Champion-MacKenzie Miller, Haskell Co. 4-H

Reserve Champion-Kelsie Miller, Haskell Co. 4-H American Fuzzy Lop

Colored Buck 1st-Kelsie Miller, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-MacKenzie Miller, Haskell Co. 4-H; 3rd-Mackenzie Miller, Haskell Co. 4-H. California Buck

Senior Ist-Kelsie Miller, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-Ryan Burgess, Haskell Co. 4-H; 3rd-Mackenzie Miller, Haskell Co. 4-H; 4th-Miranda Robertson, Haskell Co. 4-H; 5th-Robbyn Tribbey, Haskell Co. 4-

Champion-Kelsie Miller, Haskell

Champion-Ryan Reserve Burgess, Haskell Co. 4-H Market Rabbit Division Fryer Rabbits Grand Champion-Amy Hamilton,

Haskell Co. 4-H Reserve Grand Champion-Paden Brown, Haskell Co. 4-H

1st-Amy Hamilton, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-Paden Brown, Haskell Co. 4-H; 3rd-Thomas Tidrow, Haskell Co. 4-H: 4th-Mykel McGhee, Haskell Co. 4-H: 5th-McKenna Smith, Rochester FFA: 6th-Kelsie Miller, Haskell Co. 4-H; 7th-Haley Brown, Haskell Co. 4-H; 8th-Cassidy Brown, Haskell Co. 4-H.

Poultry Division Broilers Grand Champion-Ryan Burgess,

Reserve Grand Champion-Maggie Brzozowski, Haskell Co. 4-H

1st-Ryan Burgess, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-Maggie Brzozowski, Haskell Co. 4-H; 3rd-MacKenzie Miller-Haskell Co. 4-

Market Sheep Grand Champion-Candace Brister, Haskell Co. 4-H

Reserve Champion-B. J. Opsahl, Haskell FFA Jr. Lamb Showmanship-Candace Brister, Haskell Co. 4-H

Sr. Lamb Showmanship-B. J Opsahl, Haskell Co. 4-H and Haskell

Finewool Class I

1st-Candace Brister, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-B. J. Opsahl, Haskell Co. 4-H; 3rd-Ross Bullinger, Haskell Co. 4-H. Champion-Candace Brister. Haskell Co. 4-H

Reserve Champion-B. J. Opsahl, Haskell Co. 4-H Medium Wool

Class I

1st-B. J. Opsahl, Haskell FFA; 2nd-Candace Brister, Haskell Co. 4-H; 3rd-Alexa Roberts, Haskell Co. 4-H. Class II

1st-Candace Brister, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-B. J. Opsahl, Haskell FFA; 3rd-Ross Bullinger, Haskell Co. 4-H. Champion-Candace Brister-Haskell

Reserve Champion-B. J. Opsahl, Haskell FFA

Southdown

Class I 1st-Alexa Roberts, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-Caleb Hudgens, Haskell Co. 4-H; 3rd-Bryce Hudgens, Haskell FFA.

Gin Report

January 30, 2000 Haskell 5,808 Haskell Co-op Gin O'Brien 20,028 O'Brien Gin Rochester 2,036 Rochester Co-op Gin Rule 3,999 Rule Co-op Gin Sagerton Sagerton Gin 1,100 Weinert 3,066 Griff's Gin 5,410 Weinert Gin

Total Bales

41,447

Co. 4-H Reserve Champion-Caleb Hudgens, Haskell Co. 4-H

Market Steer Grand Champion-Brittany Bartley, Haskell Co. 4-H Reserve Grand Champion-Stephen Pace, Haskell Co. 4-H European Division

Class I 1st-Stephen Pace, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-Heath McCulloch, Haskell FFA; 3rd-Eric Hager, Haskell Co. 4-H.

Class II 1st-Brittany Bartley, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-Heath McCulloch, Haskell FFA; 3rd-Stephen Pace, Haskell Co. 4-H; 4th-Chambray Bartley, Haskell Co. 4-H.

Class III 1st-Brittany Bartley, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-Courtney Buerger, Haskell Co. 4-H; 3rd-Gary Frierson, Haskell Co.4-H; 4th-Clyde Frierson, Haskell Co. 4-H. Champion-Brittany Bartley,

Haskell Co. 4-H Reserve Champion-Stephen Pace, Haskell Co. 4-H

American Division 1st-Chambray Bartley, Haskell Co.

4-H; 2nd-Brittany Bartley, Haskell Co. Champion-Chambray Bartley,

Haskell Co. 4-H Reserve Champion- Brittany Bartley, Haskell Co. 4-H English Division

Class I Ist-Brittany Bartley, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-Rusty Howard, Haskell Co. 4-H; 3rd-Clyde Frierson, Haskell Co. 4-H. Class II

1st-Gary Frierson, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-Rusty Howard, Haskell Co. 4-H; 3rd-Levi Terry, Haskell Co. 4-H; 4th-Levi Terry, Haskell Co. 4-H. Champion-Brittany Bartley,

Reserve Champion-Gary Frierson, Haskell Co. 4-H Heifers

Angus Division Ist-Justin Teague, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-Maggie Teague, Haskell Co. 4-H. Champion-Justin Teague, Haskell Reserve Champion-Maggie Teague, Haskell Co. 4-H

Hereford Divison 1st-Amy Turner, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-Amy Turner, Haskell Co. 4-H; 3rd-Teddye Sue Harris, Haskell Co. 4-H. Champion-Amy Turner, Haskell

Reserve Champion-Amy Turner, Haskell Co. 4-H

Simmental Division 1st-Amber Bingham, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-Amber Bingham, Haskell Co. 4-

Champion-Amber Bingham, Haskell Co. 4-H Reserve Champion-Amber Bingham, Haskell Co. 4-H

Shorthorn Divison 1st-Tiffany McDuff, Rule FFA; 2nd-Tiffany McDuff, Rule FFA.

Champion-Tiffany McDuff, Rule Reserve Champion-Tiffany McDuff, Rule FFA Grand Champion Breeding

Heifer-Justin Teague, Haskell Co. 4-H Reserve Champion Breeding Heifer-Amber Bingham, Haskell Co. 4-H Jr. Beef Showmanship-Chambray Bartley, Haskell Co. 4-H Sr. Beef Showmanship-Rusty Howard, Haskell Co. 4-H

Swine Market Barrows Grand Champion-Kiel Rowan, Rule FFA

Reserve Grand Champion-Jeffrey Murray, Rule FFA Duroc Class I

Ist-Kami Baitz, Rule FFA; 2nd-Tara Lisle, Rule FFA; 3rd-Kortney Kupatt, Rule FFA; 4th-Keith Wilcox, Rule FFA; 5th-Dusty Barnett, Paint Creek FFA: 6th-Brandon Early, Haskell FFA; 7th-Maggie Brzozowski, Haskell Co. 4-H; 8th-Selina Salinas, Haskell Co. 4-H.

1st-Kiel Rowan, Rule FFA; 2nd-Justin Baty, Haskell Co. 4-H; 3rd-Ross Short, Haskell Co. 4-H; 4th-Brian Lehrmann. Rule FFA; 5th-Johanna Lehrmann, Rule FFA; 6th-Jennifer Murray, Rule FFA; 7th-Tara Lisle, Rule FFA: 8th-Stefanie Isbell, Paint Creek FFA; 9th-Samantha Kittley, Rule FFA; 10th-Cody Byrd, Rochester FFA.

Class III Ist-Kiel Rowan, Rule FFA; 2nd-Cody Byrd, Haskell Co. 4-H; 3rd-Cody Byrd, Haskell Co. 4-H; 4th-Ashley Lisle, Haskell Co. 4-H; 5th-Jeffery Rodriquez, Haskell Co. 4-H; 6th-Candace Everhart, Paint Creek FFA; 7th-Kerri Newton, Haskell Co. 4-H; 8th-Sam Long, Rule FFA: 9th-Kyle Kittley, Rule 10th-Jacki Davis, Paint Creek FFA; 11th-Joshua Rodriquez, Rochester

Champion-Kiel Rowan, Rule FFA. Reserve Champion-Kiel Rowan

Hamp Class I

1st-Ashley Lisle, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-Kortney Kupatt, Rule FFA; 3rd-Winston Stephens, Rule FFA: 4th-Maggie Brzozowski, Haskell Co. 4-H; 5th-Jeffery Murray, Rule FFA; 6th-Morgan Lisle, Haskell Co. 4-H; 7th-Bryce Hudgens, Haskell FFA; 8th-Justin Tidrow, Haskell FFA.

Class II 1st-Jonathan Hisey, Rule FFA; 2nd-Trey Kittley, Rule FFA; 3rd-Heath McCulloch, Haskell FFA; 4th-Thomas Tidrow, Haskell Co. 4-H; 5th-Kyla Jones, Haskell Co. 4-H; 6th-Bronc Davis, Paint Creek FFA; 7th-Lauren Newton, Haskell Co. 4-H.

Class III 1st-Kolt Kittley, Rule FFA; 2nd-Keith Wilcox, Rule FFA; 3rd-Kortney Kupatt, Rule FFA; 4th-M'Lynn Lehrmann, Rule FFA; 5th-Sam Long, Rule FFA: 6th-Cody Byrd, Rochester FFA: 7th-Mandy Hearn, Paint Creek FFA; 8th-Chase Cockerell, Haskell Co. 4-H; 9th-Dala Nicholson, Rochester FFA: 10th-Marcie Stoddard, Rochester

Champion-Jonathan Hisey, Rule

Reserve Champion-Kolt Kittley,

OPB Class I

1st-Josh Smith, Rule FFA; 2nd-Luke Hisey, Rule FFA; 3rd-Shana Nicholson, Rochester FFA; 4th-Keli Smith, Rule FFA: 5th-Laci Standefer, Rule FFA; 6th-Paul Griffin, Rule FFA; 7th-Matthew Pierce, Rule FFA.

Class II Ist-Samantha Griffin, Rule FFA 2nd-Kiel Rowan, Rule FFA; 3rd-M'Lynn Lehrmann, Rule FFA; 4th-Clay Ender, Paint Creek FFA; 5th-Kyla Jones, Haskell Co. 4-H; 6th-Andy Martinez-Haskell FFA; 7th-Michelle Stegemoeller, Rule FFA; 8th-Jennifer Murray, Rule FFA; 9th-Chrissy Ramirez, Rule FFA; 10th-Brandy Gardner, Haskell

Ist-Kiel Rowan, Rule FFA; 2nd-Cliff McGuire, Haskell FFA; 3rd-Josh Hearn, Rochester FFA; 4th-Jason Isbell, Haskell FFA; 5th-Clay Ender, Paint Creek FFA; 6th-Jeffrey Rodriquez, Haskell Co. 4-H; 7th-Josh Hearn Rochester FFA; 8th-John Mark Hodgin,

Champion-Samantha Griffin, Rule

Reserve Champion-Kiel Rowan, Rule FFA

York Class I

1st-Justin Coker, Rule FFA; 2nd-Jenny Hisey, Rule FFA; 3rd-Kerri Newton, Haskell Co. 4-H; 4th-Josh Hearn, Rochester FFA; 5th-Heath McCulloch, Haskell FFA; 6th-Kerri Newton, Haskell Co. 4-H; 7th-Aaron Caldwell, Rochester FFA.

Class II 1st-Josh Ramirez, Rule FFA; 2nd-Kiel Rowan, Rule FFA; 3rd-Tiffany Ramirez, Rule FFA; 4th-Lauren Newton Haskell Co. 4-H; 5th-Justin Baty

Class III 1st-Rusty Howard, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-Rusty Howard, Haskell Co. 4-H: 3rd-Kyla Jones, Haskell Co. 4-H; 4th-Candace Everhart, Paint Creek FFA.

Champion-Josh Ramirez, Rule FFA Reserve Champion-Rusty Howard, Haskell Co. 4-H

Cross Class I

1st-Jeffrey Murray, Rule FFA; 2nd-Jonathan Hisey, Rule FFA; 3rd-Kara Pierce, Rule FFA; 4th-Kortney Kupatt, Rule FFA; 5th-Brady Standefer, Rule FFA; 6th-Tara Lisle, Rule FFA; 7th-Michelle Stegemoeller, Rule FFA; 8th-Kerri Newton, Haskell Co. 4-H; 9th-Brian Lehrmann, Rule FFA; 10th-Michelle Stegemoeller, Rule FFA; 11th-Justin Coker, Rule FFA; 12th-Keith Wilcox, Rule FFA; 13th-Andy Martinez, Haskell FFA; 14th-John Mark Hodgin,

1st-Cody Byrd, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-Michelle Stegemoeller, Rule FFA; 3rd-Keli Smith, Rule FFA; 4th-Lauren Newton, Haskell Co. 4-H; 5th-Justin Coker, Rule FFA; 6th-John Mark Hodgin, Haskell FFA; 7th-Brittany Griffin, Rule FFA.

Class III 1st-Kiel Rowan, Rule FFA; 2nd-Kortney Kupatt, Rule FFA; 3rd-Cody Byrd, Rochester FFA: 4th-Morgan Lisle, Haskell Co. 4-H; 5th-Daniel Earle

Haskell Co. 4-H; 6th-Daniel Earle, Haskell Co. 4-H; 7th-Kyle Michaels, Haskell FFA.

Champion-Kiel Rowan, Rule FFA Reserve Champion-Jeffrey Murray, Rule FFA

Grand Champion-Ross Short, Haskell Co. 4-H

Reserve Grand Champion-Ross Short, Haskell Co. 4-H Jr. Swine Showmanship-Kyla

Jones, Haskell Co. 4-H Sr. Swine Showmanship-Cody Byrd, Rochester FFA Duroc

1st-Ross Short, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-Chase Cockerell, Haskell Co. 4-H; 3rd-Jeffrey Rodriquez, Haskell Co. 4-H; 4th-Ross Short, Haskell Co. 4-H; 5th-Loren Cole, Haskell FFA Champion-Ross Short, Haskell

Reserve Champion-Chase Cockerell, Haskell Co. 4-H Hamp 1st-Erin Easterling, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-Daniel Earle, Haskell Co. 4-H; 3rd-

Aaron Caldwell, Rochester FFA. Champion-Erin Easterling, Haskell Reserve Champion-Daniel Earle.

Haskell Co. 4-H OPB

Class I 1st-Chase Cockerell, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-Kyle Michaels, Haskell Co. 4-H; 3rd-Cliff McGuire, Haskell FFA.

Class II 1st-Ross Short, Haskell Co. 4-H; 2nd-Erin Easterling, Haskell Co. 4-H. Champion-Ross Short, Haskell

Reserve Champion-Erin Easterling, Haskell Co. 4-H York 1st-Daniel Earle, Haskell Co. 4-H

Champion-Daniel Earle, Haskell Cross 1st-Josh Rodriquez, Rochester FFA;

2nd-Chase Cockerell, Haskell Co. 4-H; 3rd-Marcie Stoddard, Rochester FFA: 4th-Kyle Michaels, Haskell FFA. Champion-Josh Rodriquez Rochester FFA

Reserve Champion-Chase Cockerell, Haskell Co. 4-H



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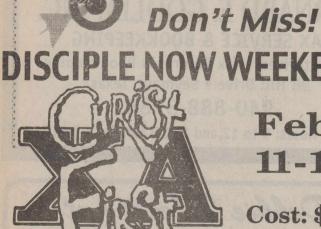
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ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

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

Church of God Eric Clark, pastor • 864-2021 oun. 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 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 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 Brett Anderson, 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 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 Bobby Ray Wade, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p. 301 N. 3rd St., Haskell

New Covenant Foursquare Kevin and Sharon Fletcher, pastors 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

Kevin Hall, 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 ---WEINERT--

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

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Steve Wilis, minister Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m. West on Main Street, Rochester First Baptist Church

Ed Buerkle, pastor Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m. 500 Main, Rochester

Union Chapel Baptist Church Rev. Clarence Walker 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.

> -SAGERTON-Sagerton Methodist Church Tommy Wilson, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.

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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 Shane Brue, pastor Sun, Morn, Worship 9 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.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 Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m. Gladstone Ave., Rule

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Wednesday: Chicken nuggets, gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, sliced peaches Thursday: BBQ on bun, curly fries, pickle spears, brownies Friday: Steak fingers, gravy, creamed potatoes, broccoli/cheese, Texas toast, ice cream

ECC Calendar and Menu

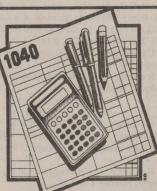
Monday, February 7 Lunch-Mexican style chicken, Mexican rice, pinto beans, corn, fruited Jello, bread, milk, tea or coffee

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Lunch-Spaghetti w/meat sauce, green beans, apple carrot salad, oatmeal cookie, bread, milk, tea or

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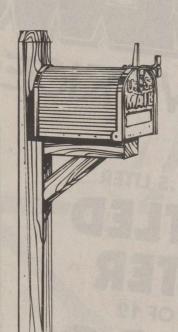
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Another new month greets us as we move along into 2000. A cold snap hit the area last week, but still no moisture. Prayers continue for rain as stock tanks begin to dry up and lakes are dwindling with water supplies reaching the critical point. Surely the rain will come soon.

Sunday was a festival day at Faith Lutheran Church with the dedication service for a two octave Schulmerich Handbells and accessories. The equipment was purchased with memorials given by families and friends of the following deceased members of the church and a friend of the church: Fred Kupatt, Emma Baitz Raphelt, Olga Letz, Evelyn Teichelman, John L. Brooks, Ethel Letz and Ed Connally. Bell ringers for the day included Peggy Adler of Houston, Clyde Stegemoeller of Richardson, Leon and Mae Stegemoeller, Verlene Stegemoeller and Brenda Turner. Kacy Baitz of Waco was guest organist for the service. Also helping in the dedication service were Jaydee Kay McGregor, Kortney and Kymbre Kupatt, granddaughters of Billie and the late Fred Kupatt.

Members of the Handbell Choir meet each Wed. night for rehearsals and should be playing for the morning worship service in a few short weeks. If there are other members or non-members of the community who are interested in learning to ring, they may contact Mrs. Joe Clark, choir director, and just as soon as there are eight or more people, young or old, male or female, interested in ringing, a second group will be organized.

Guests in the home of Joe and Dorothy Clark for dinner on Sunday included Carl, Mindi and Jonathan Stegemoeller of Hobbs, N. M., Clyde Stegemoeller of Richardson, Kacy, Jessica and Grace Baitz of Waco, Esther Kinman of Stamford, Pastor Stan and Norma Leaf of Avoca, Robert Ace, Brenda, Samuel, Matthew, Joseph and Daniel Turner of Rule, Ray and Nancy Clark of Stamford, Don and Patsy Bivins of Valley View,

Peggy Adler of Houston, Emmalee Bivins and Rick Phemister of Haskell, Mae and Leon Stegemoeller, Melvin and Annella Baitz, Clayton, Paula and Michelle Stegemoeller, Fred, Tami and Kami Baitz. Clyde Stegemoeller and Nancy Clark were recognized as having birthdays next week and wished a "Happy Birthday" by the

Last Saturday, Chrystalle Perez Short was honored with a bridal shower at the community center hosted by Peggy Tabor, Joyce LeFevre, Frances Clark, Ev Ulmer, Billie Kupatt, Dorothy Toney and Mrs. Charles Clark. White, burgundy and pink decorations were used for the refreshment and registry

The members of the Methodist Church met for their regular monthly family night last week at the church with Wilma Teichelman hosting the sandwich supper. Members present included Pastor Tommy and Evagene Wilson. Frances Clark, G. W. and Ophelia LeFevre, Charles and Dorothy Clark, Johnny and Sue Guinn. Alvin and Ev Ulmer.

Mary Neinast enjoyed visiting with relatives recently at a lunch held in the home of Paul and Pauline Dick of Haskell. A niece, Carolyn and Roger Dock from Chicago and Sylvia Crowe of Hillsboro were visiting in the Haskell area. Carolyn is the daughter of the late Elnora Neinast Scott.

Everyone is reminded of the community meeting and supper to be held at the center next Monday

By Dorothy M. Clark

night at 6:30 p.m. Hosts will be Mary Neinast. James Gellner.

Teichelman. Ladies of the community are asked to bring Corene Lowack and Wilma desserts. We'll see everyone there!

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Andrews and Evan of Abilene announce the arrival of Courtney Lynn, born Mon., Jan. 17, at 1:22 p.m. in Abilene Regional Medical Center. Courtney weighed 8 lbs., 7.3

oz. and was 20 1/4 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Coker of Rule and paternal grandparents are the late Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Andrews of

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