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> Haskell JV vs Burkburnett (Fr) Thurs., Feb. 24, 4 p.m. at Haskell Haskell V vs Anson Fri., Feb. 25, 4:30 p.m. at Anson Haskell V vs Hamlin Mon., Feb. 28, 4 p.m. at Haskell Haskell JV vs Hamlin Tues., Feb. 29, 5 p.m. at Hamlin

#### Softball games

**Albany Varsity Tournament** Feb. 24, 25 & 26 at Albany Haskell V vs Grape Creek V Tues., Feb. 29, 5:30 p.m. at Haskell

#### Golf

**Anson Tournament** Anson Golf Course 9 a.m. Girls - Fri., Feb. 25 Boys - Sat., Feb. 26 **Hawley Tournament** Tangle Oaks Golf Club 8:30 a.m. Boys - Wed., March 1 Girls - Thurs., March 2

#### Calendar **Paint Creek Seniors** to hold dinner

The Paint Creek Seniors will hold a chicken fried steak dinner Sun., Feb. 27 from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Paint Creek School cafeteria. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$4 for children. Contact any Paint Creek Senior student for tickets or call Mrs. Shackelford at 864-2782. Tickets are available at the door.

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The Calvary Baptist Mission at 600 S. 7th in Haskell will hold a garage sale Sat., Feb. 26 from 8 a.m. til? to raise funds for the Youth Congress to the held in San

#### Mexican plate lunch

The C.Y.M. of St. George Catholic Church will hold a Mexican plate lunch Sat., Feb. 26 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

#### Old Glory musical

The Old Glory Musical will be held Sat., Feb. 26 at the Community Center in Old Glory. The best little concession stand in Texas will open at 5:00 and the music will start at 5:30 p.m. A door prize will be awarded. For more information call 940-989-2925 or 989-2833.

#### Social Security

A representative from the Social Security Administration will be in Haskell at the old City Hall annex, 305 N. 1st, Thurs., March 2 at 9:30 a.m.

#### Rule Chamber banquet set March 6

The 46th annual 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 brisket and all the trimmings meal. Tickets are \$8 and are available at the door or from Chamber members. The man and women of the year will be announced.

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64TH ANNUAL BANQUET-Officers and board members of the Haskell Chamber of Commerce welcomed hundreds of citizens to an Old-Fashioned Political Rally at their annual banquet, Thurs., Feb. 17, at the Haskell Memorial Civic Center. All area candidates for office were invited to come and speak.

## Round Robin Revival set Feb. 27-March 2

The Haskell Ministerial Alliance is pleased to announce that its Twentieth Annual Round Robin Revival will begin Sun., Feb. 27 at 6:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Haskell and continue through Thurs., Mar. 2. The services will rotate to a different host congregation each evening. The Monday through Thursday services will begin at 7:00 p.m. each evening.

For the Sunday service only,

there will be a community choir rehearsal at 5:15 p.m. that is open to anyone wishing to participate. "Prayer-E Strings," a group of local musicians performing on traditional acoustic instruments, will give a mini-concert beginning at 5:45 p.m., with the service to follow. Dr. Kevin Fletcher, pastor of the Abundant Life Foursquare Church in Haskell, will bring the opening message.

Dusty Garison, minister of the

## District 23-A girls named to All-District basketball team

Several Haskell County girls have been named to the District 23-A Girls All-District Basketball for the the 1999-2000 season.

Latisha Trussell, Tara Lisle, Tiffany McDuff, and Michelle Stegemoeller. were named from

Stefanie Isbell, Selina Salinas, and Ashley Medford were named

from Paint Creek Casey Williams was named from Rochester.

Named to Honorable Mention were Mandy Hearn of Paint Creek, Tiffany Ramirez and Stephanie Stephens of Rule; and Melina Garcia and Angela Stoddard of



A SHOT OVER PARADISE-Haskell Maiden, Katie Thompson reaches to put in points in the Bi-district game in Cisco, which ended, Paradise 42, Haskell 33. Photo by Bill Blankenship

Christian Church and this year's alliance president, said that for the first time, the pastors have agreed to all speak on a common theme.

"With the severe drought, we've all been reminded of our dependence on God," he said. "We thought the revival would be a good opportunity to come together as a community and pray for repentance and for rain." Garison also noted that as in previous years, a different local pastor will speak each evening and there will be special music every night as well. An offering will be received each evening to benefit the work of the alliance.

Also for this Sunday, the ministerial alliance is sponsoring a maximum attendance campaign called "A Great Day in Haskell." All church members are encouraged to make a special effort to attend their home church services that morning, then go to the revival that evening.

The complete schedule of services is as follows: Sunday, First Baptist Church, Dr. Kevin Fletcher, Abundant Life Foursquare, preaching; Monday, First Christian Church, Rev. Bobby Wade, Greater Independent Baptist, preaching; Tuesday, Assembly of God Church, Rev. Shane Brue, First United Methodist, preaching; Wednesday, First United Methodist Church, Dr. David Page, East Side Baptist, preaching; Thursday, Trinity Lutheran Church, Rev. Kevin Hall, First Baptist, preaching.

### Haskell Maidens, Lady Cats lose; Rule, Rochester boys in play-offs

Out-distanced in height by the Paradise girls team, the Haskell Maindens lost to them 42-33 in the bi-district playoff game, Tues., Feb 15, at Cisco High School.

Paradise, at 22-7 in season play, had posts who stood at 6 feet and at 6 feet two inches, competing against Haskell's five feet 8 inches and 5 feet 6 inches posts.

Although Haskell took an 11-5 lead going into the second quarter, Paradise out-scored them the rest of the game.

Tanisha Riley led Haskell with 13 points and Nikki Wallace made eight points. Others scoring were Megan Bird with three, Deshea Phemister with two, Tiffany Lindsey with three, and Misty Rodela with four.

Haskell stands at 21-8 in season

Club," Montgomery said. during the Chamber's 64th Annual Together with his employer Banquet, Thurs., Feb. 17. In making the award, Master of Ceremonies, Monty Montgomery spoke of the many community boards and projects on which Hernandez has served and been numerous other projects. involved in.

Hernandez named

Citizen of the Year

"He has been a driving force with Wild Horse Prairie Days since

Fred Hernandez, the immediate

past-president of the Haskell

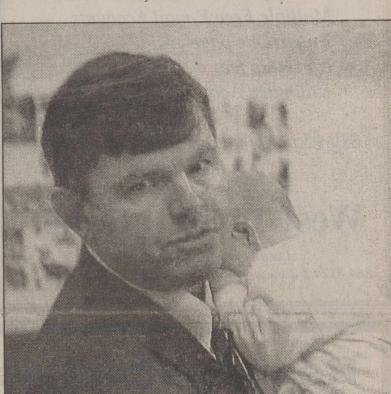
Chamber of Commerce, was given

the Citizen of the Year Award

its inception, served on the Chamber board, served on the City Council, is a member of First Baptist Church and the Rotary

(WTU) Hernandez has been involved in many regional activities, such as the Rolling Plains Industrial Foundation, and

On hand to see him receive the honor were his parents and his wife and children.



CITIZEN OF THE YEAR—Fred Hernandez, immediate past presi dent of the Haskell Chamber of Commerce, was named top citizen at the 64th Annual Chamber Banquet, Thurs., Feb. 17.

## City announces election, new business location

At the regular 7:00 a.m.meeting of the Haskell City Council, Feb. 14, Mayor Ken Lane signed the order of election, and an election resolution was approved.

A discussion was held about the Alpha Project, which is part of the Haskell Economic Development Corporation's effort to attract new business to the city. Alpha Project is the name given to TORCO, which manufactures torque converters. The building for TORCO will be erected on seven acres on North First, West Hwy 380, which the Council approved as

In the Class A bi-district playoff

Rule's Latisha Trussell had 16

points, including four treys. Others

scoring were Jenny Hisey 2 0-0 4,

Tara Lisle 1 0-0 2, Stephanie

Stephens 2 1-2 5, Michelle

Stegemoeller 3 1-2 7, Tiffany

Ramirez 1 0-0 2, and Tiffany

In Class boys bi-district playoff,

Rochester boys basketball team,

(10-9), was also set to meet the

Woodson team (23-23), at Albany,

Rule at 14-4 in season play was

scheduled to meet Throckmorton at

14-12, in Albany, Tues., Feb. 22.

game played in Merkel, the Rule

Lady Cats lost to the Throckmorton

Lady 'Hounds, 58-41.

McDuff 2 1-4 5.

a commercial zone. TORCO is expected to bring 30 to 40 new jobs to the city. It was announced that Jacob and Martin of Abilene will engineer the building which was designed by WTU. Monty Montgomery, director of the EDC will coordinate the project. The Texas Capital Fund assists cities in such projects in the form of grants.

In further action:

The Council approved the rezoning of property at 701 North 1st Street for a new USDA building.

The purchase of GTE's smaller services by Valor Communications was discussed. Continued negotiations will be made to effect a better deal from Valor for the city for Telephone One lines.

A Garage Sale Ordinance was passed permitting citizens to hold three garage sales per calendar year for two days each. The needed permit will have to be obtained from City Hall, with the first permit being free, and the following ones at a cost of \$1.00 each.

The bid for property located at 105 North 4th was approved.

After lengthy discussion regarding the future location of a Pavilion for the purpose of City functions and private rentals, it was decided that it would be located in the Fair ground area, with the exact location yet to be determined. Bids will be open for the construction of the pavilion.

Bids will also be taken for the construction of more bathrooms, heat and showers at the R. V. Park.

City Attorney, Shane Hadaway. reported several letters had been sent regarding the city's Unsafe Building

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### **Obituaries**

Funeral services for Robert N. (Bob) Watson, 80, of Haskell were held Sat., Feb. 19 at Tankersley Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. John Erwin officiating. Burial

Mr. Watson died Thurs., Feb. 17 at a Stamford nursing home.

was in Highland Memorial Cemetery in Stamford.

Born Oct. 10, 1919 in Gustine, he was the son of Allen and Johnnie Watson. He moved to the Haskell-Stamford area as a child and was a lifetime resident of the area. He married Wanda Elizabeth White Aug. 10, 1940. He was

Jay G. Hawkins

Funeral services for Jay G. Hawkins, 92, of Knox City were held Tues., Feb. 22 at First Baptist Church in Knox City. Burial was in Knox City Cemetery under the direction of Smith Funeral Home.

Mr. Hawkins died Sun., Feb. 20 at Knox County Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Born April 11, 1907 in Goodwater, Alabama, he was the son of James and Alvie Reagan Hawkins. He was named for Jay Gould the famous railroad tycoon. He graduated from Hackneyville High School where he was a basketball star. He attended Auburn College for two years. He married Estelle Tankersley July 19, 1930 in Ashland, Alabama. They moved to Knox County in 1934

where he began farming.

Survivors include two daughters, Jeanette Stepp and Betty Taylor, both of Wichita Falls; one son, Don Hawkins and one grandson, Dale Bloxham, both of Knox City; four granddaughters, one grandson and six great grandchildren; and a very special lady, Frances Arend of Haskell.

a farmer and rancher for over 50 years. He was a veteran

of World War II serving in the Philippines and with the

1st occupational troops in Japan. He was a breeder and

trainer of many good cutting horses. He was a Methodist.

Survivors include his wife, Wanda E. Watson of Here-

ford; one son, Bobby Watson of Haskell; two daughters

and sons-in-laws, Joan and Johnny Fuston of Hereford

and Becky and Burt Pardue of Bastrop; 10 grandchildren

Pallbearers were Will Vacek, Dale Bloxham, Nathan Bloxham, Wayne Watson, Mickey Logan and Johnny McCowan

Memorials may be made to Knox County \*Aging Services, 601 N. Ave. E, Knox City, TX 79529.

#### **Nina Collins**

Graveside services for Nina Collins, 92, of Hereford were held Tues., Feb. 22 at Willow Cemetery in Haskell with Rev. Dusty Garison officiating.

Mrs. Collins died Sun., Feb. 20 at Kings Manor Methodist Retirement Center in Hereford.

Born July 30, 1907 in Newcastle, she was the daughter of William and Sally Nance. She graduated from Haskell High School and attended Texas Christian University where she played basketball. She married Guy Collins in 1925 at Newcastle. She was a member of the First Christian Church in Haskell and taught Sunday School Classes for over 25 years. She was a member of

First Christian Church in Hereford.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Guy Collins in 1962 and one daughter, Sue Olney.

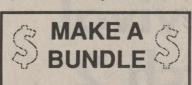
Survivors include one son, Bodie Collins of Frederick, Okla.; two daughters, Nance Perrin of Hereford and Julie Cathey of Amarillo; 13 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren, 5 great great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to Kings Manor Retirement Center, 400 Ranger Street, Hereford, TX 79045.

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## School Board extends contracts, announces election

During the Feb. 16 meeting of the Haskell CISD Board, contracts were extended for administrators Eddie Bland, assistant superintendent; Bryan McCulloch,



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secondary principal; Jim Lisle, elementary principal: Don Flippin, athletic director and Melynn Hunt, assistant athletic director.

To offset the over-staffing situation which has resulted from declining student population, the board voted to offer a one time only voluntary retirement incentive of \$10,000.00 to teachers who meet the eligibility criteria.

The board also decided to allow a bus barn to be built north of the football field on the vacant lot owned by the school district. Under a grant obtained from the Workforce Investment Act, the project will be used to train out of school youth in marketable skills.

Budget items passed by the board included amendments for state technology and accelerated reading

money. As requested by the Haskell County Appraisal District, approval was given by the board to the proposed resale of property acquired through delinquent property tax foreclosure.

The year's school board election was called, with sign-up dates for filing for the open positions set for Feb. 21 to Mar. 22. Members whose terms expire are Roger Moeller (Place 1); Mike Jordan (Place 2); Tom Hairgrove (Place 7); and Joe Yates (Place 4). All of the terms are for three years except Moeller's, which is for one year.

Student recognition at the meeting included elementary accelerated readers, Haskell County Stock Show winners and members of the football academic all-state team.

## Commissioner's Court meets

At the Haskell County Commissioner's Court meeting, Feb. 14. Haskell City Manager, Sam Watson asked the Commissioner's opinion regarding the location of the proposed Pavilion to be built at the Fair grounds, and for any assistance they might give on the grounds.

In other business considered to the Court it was decided that:

The roof and ceiling of the Experienced Citizen's Center will be repaired.

Landscaping of grounds at the Sheriff's office will be improved. The possibility was discussed of drilling a well there so that the grounds may be maintained without city water

A sewage problem at the Courthouse will be investigated.

Precinct 4 will advertise for bids on the sale of a Caterpillar dozer. A list of other equipment owned by the county is to be made for sale Mar. 13.

Consideration was given to the investment in equipment to provid better communication between county equipment operators.

County Clerk, Rhonda Moeller, clarified a State law which regulates the use of records belonging to a county. Records may not be removed from the room in which they are located, and there is a fee of \$1.00 per sheet for copies.

County Judge David Davis, and City Manager Sam Watson, will investigate a sewage problem at the city park.

The Courthouse will remain open on Election Day, Tues., Mar.14.

Commissioner Kenny Thompson suggested a policy te set regarding the number and times of County holidays, after input is received from Court employees.

Workman's Comp for volunteer firemen will be further investigated.

A definite policy will be set on the collection of rentals from lake cabins

The county will join the Resource Conservation and Development Association.

Sales of two properties by the Appraisal office was approved.

An extensive discussion was made regarding expectations for the maintenance of Anchor Lake property. No new action was taken.

## Responsibilities of the District Attorney

My name is Andrew Ottaway. I previously announced my candidacy for the office of District Attorney of the 39th Judicial District, which covers Kent, Stonewall, Haskell and Throckmorton Counties.

Here are answers to questions I have been asked during the campaign.

No, I will not lie to you. Sometimes I will tell you things you do not want to hear, but I will not lie to you.

No, all is not well in the 39th Judicial District of Texas. There is too much dope being bought and sold and too many crimes being committed against the family.

No, it will not matter what color your skin is, or how good a football player you are, or who your family is. All persons who commit similar crimes will be treated similarly.

No, the first offense does not automatically get you one free shot at probation. If you sell drugs, you have two choices: the penitentiary or a jury trial. If you go into someone's house and commit a crime, you have the same two choices.

Yes, there can be serious problems with delay in handling cases, and some cases can be neglected or ignored. Prosecuting cases means pushing the cases to Grand Jury, then pushing the cases to arraignment and pretrial, and then pushing the cases to trial. I have done defense work for a long time. Delay is a win for the Defendant. Every day not in jail, or not in prison, or not having to pay financially is a good day for the Defendant.

There can be problems with cooperation with other State Agencies. The District Attorney must be involved with the work of the Attorney General's office, the Child Protective Service, DPS Narcotics, and the District Attorney in each neighboring District. The District Attorney must be aware of what they are doing in your District.

Delay has another cost to the taxpayers. If the Defendant is in jail, the county must feed him and guard him, or pay one of the other counties to do it. I have seen people sit in jail in this district month after month with no court date even scheduled. Two years ago, the District Judge adopted guidelines to stop this but the guidelines have been ignored.

Yes, the "small" cases are sometimes more important than the "big" cases. For instance, I believe that the root cause of crime is the breakdown of the family structure. The Bible says, in James 1:27, that pure religion is to care for the widows and the fatherless. Most crime is committed by the fatherless. The modern widow is a single mom trying to raise children alone. A critical "small" crime that must be addressed is criminal non-support. I believe that if you have a pack of cigarettes in your pocket, or a six-pack of beer in your car, and you owe one nickel in back child support, you have committed the felony offense of criminal non-support. These "small" cases are very important to the "small" victims, who are children going without things they need.

Currently, all juvenile crime is handled by the county attorney in each county. This should be changed. The District Attorney should handle juvenile offenses at the felony level, and the county attorney in each county should continue to handle misdemeanor level offenses, just like in the adult system. In Haskell County, juvenile cases are neglected for months and months. Delay in a crime involving a child is even more critical than delay involving an adult–children who commit crimes need intervention by the State immediately.

The way you treat a Defendant after conviction is very important to the success of prosecution. Attitude is the key to rehabilitation. Defendants should be treated with respect, but firmness. You cannot excuse repeated violations of probation if the Defendant will just pay his fine. You must back up the probation department, or they lose their effectiveness. There should be zero tolerance for repeat offenders, or your message is lost

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Club member Erma Liles, who has been a member of the TFWC for sixty-four years, was introduced by Nancy Toliver, first vicepresident of TFWC Mesquite

A native of Weinert, Liles graduated from Haskell High School and West Texas State Teachers College. She also attended Southwestern Texas University in San Marcos and the Southwest Seminary in Fort Worth. A member of Delta Kappa Gamma, she taught school in Weinert for nineteen years, and played piano and organ for church for fifty years. As a member of Federation, she has traveled extensively, including trips to numerous State Conventions and three National Conventions of the General Federation of Women's Clubs. In 1964-65 she was elected president of the TFWC Mesquite

Displaying several mementos of her years in Federation, Liles said that the Texas club headquarters building in Austin is the largest state club headquarters in the United States. With Texas having the only state federation with a State Department in the General ederation of Women's Clubs, Liles said Federation is networking at its best-- local, district, state and national.

As a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, the TFWC studies the arts, conservation, education, home life, health, international and public affairs, safety and Texas heritage. Liles said some of the accomplishments of the Texas Federation are the giving each year of eight scholarships; maintaining the Headquarters Building in Austin, including the TFWC Women's Library housed there as an authorized library of books written by/and/or about Texas women; preserving historical sites such as the Alamo and Sam Houston's home in Huntsville; and establishing the Texas Federation's Centennial Committee, of which Liles is a member. She told of how, early on, the TFWC also Mother's Clubs (forerunner of the PTAs), Texas Federation of Music Clubs, Texas Garden Clubs, and Home Demonstration Clubs.

Liles said Federation is a way of learning from experienced leaders, working together on civic projects, sharing, caring about fellow club women, catching the vision and spirit of a century of tradition, being part of a special group with a distinctive character, and being identified with the largest service organization in the world.



HONORED MEMBERS-Long-time Progressive Study Club members receive pins at the meeting, Feb. 10. From the left, Nancy Toliver, Gladys O'Neal, Thula Perry, Anita Herren, Marjorie Huss, who presented the honors, Frances Lane, Mary Martin, Ruby Turner and Nelda Lane.



FEDERATION SPEAKER-Erma Liles speaks to the Progressive Study Club about her sixty-four vears as a member of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs.

Following Liles program, Marjorie Huss presented her with a crystal bell from the club to "ring in the new millennium of club work.

To honor long-time federated club members, Huss presented each with a card and jewelled pin, individually designed by Suzanne Starr of Abilene. Members Anita Herren and Frances Lane were honored as charter members of the Progressive Study Club, who were members of a Senior-Junior Federated Club as early as 1937.

Progressive Study Club members Mary Martin and Gladys O'Neal were presented fifty-year pins. Thula Perry, Nancy Toliver and Ruby Turner were presented forty-year pins and Nelda Lane was presented a thirty-year pin.



CHARTER MEMBERS-Frances Lane and Anita Herren were charter members of the Progressive Study Club when it was organized in Haskell over sixty years ago.





Monthly Calendar of Events

**MARCH 2000** 

Haskell Independent **School District** 

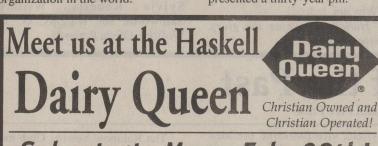
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## OPINION



#### HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — Texas Attorney General John Cornyn last week filed lawsuits against 16 insurance companies, alleging they underpaid policyholders on auto repair claims.

Named in the lawsuits are State Farm, Allstate, Farmers, USAA, Progressive County Mutual, Farm Bureau, State and County Mutual, Travelers, Trinity, Nationwide, Old American County Mutual, Home State County Mutual, Sentry, Maryland Casualty, Consumers County Mutual and CNA insurance companies.

The lawsuits allege the companies violated Texas law by taking illegal deductions for "betterment" or depreciation on some of their policyholders' repair claims.

"Deduction for betterment or depreciation on policyholders' auto repair claims has been an industry custom in Texas," Cornyn said.

"But the personal auto insurance policy does not allow it. Several companies have informed us that they have recently stopped reducing claim payments for betterment, and I

applaud this step. "However, I intend to make

sure that policyholders get the refunds they are entitled to and that all companies play by the same rules."

"Betterment" is an insurance industry term for increasing the value of a vehicle by paying to repair it with better or newer

The standard Texas auto policy does not allow for such a deduction, and a recent Austin Court of Appeals opinion indicates that these deductions are not permitted.

The lawsuits ask the court for permanent injunctions to end all betterment-related practices by these insurance companies against their policyholders, and ask for civil penalties to be paid to the state of up to \$10,000 per violation of the Texas Insurance

Under the terms of the proposed injunction, each insurance company also would be required to refund its policyholders all money deducted for betterment or depreciation on auto repair claims, plus interest.

State Paychecks Threatened

Employees of the State of Texas could shoulder a \$109 million increase in health-care costs if a proposal being considered by the Employees Retirement System board of trustees is adopted.

If the proposal is approved by the retirement system board in April, higher rates could go into effect in September for the 521,600 people covered by the state's health plan.

Gary Anderson, director of the Texas Public Employees Association said the proposal would increase prescriptions and

doctor visit co-payments, wiping out the \$100 a month pay hike state employees received from the Texas Legislature in 1999.

"It is inequitable now to place the burden on state employees when their salary increases have been minimal, making them simply incapable of absorbing the increase," Anderson said.

Report Details Accident

A Nuclear Regulatory Commission report says an industrial accident at the Comanche Peak nuclear plant Oct. 6 could have been worse and could have exposed employees to high levels of radiation, The Dallas Morning News reported last week.

Plant workers were lifting a 40-ton pump motor out of the reactor area when an electrical hoist failed, causing the motor to free-fall 30-40 feet.

A random link of chain lodged in the hoist and stopped the motor before it fell onto the reactor coolant pipe system.

The plant was shut down for routine maintenance at the time of the accident. No one was injured, and the public was never in danger, the report said.

Other Highlights

■ The Texas Legislature provided school districts with \$1.35 billion for property tax relief last year, but a survey of school districts by the Texas Education Agency showed that 369 of the state's 1,035 districts increased their tax rates for the 1999-2000 school year and that 290 districts left rates unchanged.

■ U.S. District Judge Melinda Harmon of Houston ruled Feb. 11 that the state law barring outof-state shipment of alcoholic beverages directly to consumers violates the interstate commerce clause of the Constitution.





### From The Inside Out

By Mary Kaigler

On Sunday night the Haskell Ministerial Alliance will begin its annual five night Round Robin Revival with a service at the First Baptist Church, featuring speaker Kevin Fletcher, pastor of the Abundant Life Foursquare Church. For the following four nights, four other local pastors will speak on revival at four different churches.

In a great spirit of joining together for the common good, the various ministers do this to help raise funds for doing the benevolent work of helping those in need who come through the community throughout the year. This year's theme is planned to focus the community's collective and individual hearts and minds on repentance and prayer for rain. (Certainly, no one from West Texas would deny that these two subjects are timely thoughts for serious consideration for all of us.)

Revival being a subject that never becomes irrelevant to us as human beings, the following Inside Out column, which I wrote in the Free Press about ten years ago, still speaks as much to our world's situation today as it did then. The more some things change the more they seem to stay the same.

"Revive us again. Fill each heart with Thy love. May each heart be rekindled with fire from above.

We sing about it. What if it

really did happen? What if we all again remembered out first commitments to the better way of living? What if sparks of the best there is within each one of us were fanned into a higher, consuming flame of purpose for good-all at the same

Practically speaking, one supposes, the most logical times to even expect such a wide-scaled turn around would be during the traditional seasons of remembering and giving-Easter and Christmas-

when even the most calloused of hearts are pricked in the dim memories of conscience to make at least a gesture of revival.

But what if it just happened one day, out of the blue, that we all suddenly began to love our Creator with heart, mind and soul, and to regard out neighbor (wherever he may be in the world) as well as we regard ourselves?

Can you imagine the spin-offs

For one thing, suddenly in this land of plenty, there would be severe shortages. Hurts, hungers and hopelessness of all kinds would be in short supply. It would be hard to find a case of bigotry, neglect, abuse or greed. Warring and even rumors of it would be out of date, obsolete and unknown.

Peaceful, but by no means passive, there would be such a productive explosion of ethics, understanding and compassion that there would be widespread scrambling to rearrange priorities.

From our all-too-human viewpoint, this "what if" environment-being such a departure from the norm-may look ludicrous, impractical and too steeped in selfless goodwill to ever

Our expectations of ever seeing such a world are jaded by what we know of human nature. However, to even imagine trying to rise to the requirements of such a hypothetical situation might be a good practice exercise for rising to the requirements of the actual situation in the hereafter. If we try it here, we might like it there. With rampant speculations and

predictions being proposed these days about this being the worst of times and the end of our times, perhaps it would be beneficial as well to speculate about the possibility of the rest of our time becoming the best of times.

And so we speculate, cogitate and even meditate. But can we really expect to see, in our lifetime, a universal return to love and brotherhood in the hearts of mankind?

Is it possible that it could begin right here in Haskell, like a little yeast cake, growing, multiplying and leavening the whole undone lump of our world to rise to a higher purpose for living? The practical doubting Thomas,

remembering history and man's track record, says, "Not likely." The faithful, remembering the

things, hope all things.' The dreamer, remembering the dream and the what-ifs, asks, "Why

ancient promises, say, "Believe all

Why not, indeed? "Hallelujah, Thine the glory, Revive us again.

## Be careful with campaign sign placement

As the election season moves into high gear, candidates and campaign workers are reminded to be careful where they place campaign signs.

Such signs are not allowed on state highway right of way, which is reserved for official traffic control signs. Campaign signs crected on highway right of way will be removed by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and the owner can be charged for removal costs.

In addition, a person placing an unauthorized sign in highway right of way can be fined up to \$500 p

"The law is intended to keep highway right of way clean and uncluttered so that official traffic control signs are clearly visible for the safety of the traveling public," said Wes Heald, TxDOT executive director. "It means you can't place signs on trees, utility poles, traffic signs or other objects in the highway right of way.'

Campaign signs can be placed on private property with the landowner's permission if they meet certain restrictions. Signs must be made of lightweight material and be no larger than ? square feet. They can be erected no sooner than 90 days before an election and must be removed 10 days after the election.

Signs within city limits may be subject to local ordinances.

Persons wishing to check on the correct placement of their signs may contact Kristy Gardner in Abilene at 915/676-6829.

#### Letter to the editor

Dear Editor:

On behalf of the Haskell Kiwanis Club, I would like to thank the community of Haskell for their support of our recent Kiwanisfest.

The proceeds of this event will go towards a local family, the children of Sam Wade. \$950 was raised for this family and your support and participation were greatly appreciated. Many thanks,

Mike Fouts, President Haskell Kiwanis Club

#### Hospital

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10 Years Ago February 22, 1990

The Haskell chapter of the National Honor Society inducted seven new members at its annual induction ceremony. Being inducted were James Rike, Tiffany Bradford, Amanda Diaz, Shelia Unger, Craig Hanson, Rusty Stocks, and Nole Hadaway.

Fred R. Rike, a physical education major from Haskell, graduated from West Texas State University with a bachelor of science degree. He is the son of John and Mary Rike.

Haskell sixth-graders have been busy writing letters to people all across the country. They participated in Ann Landers' Valentine Vet program. The sixthgraders made valentines using construction paper and wrote brief letter to the veterans.

> 20 Years Ago February 21, 1980

J. H. Strain was honored at the 44th annual Chamber of Commerce banquet as Haskell's outstanding citizen of 1979.

Winners in the Haskell County Food Show will compete in the District Food Show in Wichita Falls. The winners are Jill Jennings. Rebecca Holt, Kristen Campbell, Marcy Davis, Janette Holmes, Sonja Tidrow and Lynn Weatherly.

The hummingbird was the subject of a presentation entitled "Nature's Tiny Dynamo" given by Mrs. Norman Nanny at the regular meeting of the Haskell Garden

Amy Gilleland of Haskell and Debra Wells of Paint Creek have been named to the Dean's List for the fall semester at McMurry

The Extension Homemakers of Haskell were treated with a Valentine luncheon in the home of Mrs. W. H. Manns.

30 Years Ago February 19, 1970 A. C. Richardson, owner-

operator of Richardson's Truck and Tractor, located on the Throckmorton highway announced that he had purchased the building formerly occupied by Gilmore Implement and is in the process of moving to the new location.

Five Haskell 4-H Club members will exhibit their barrows at the 1970 Houston Livestock Show. They are Mark Lewis, Susan Lewis, Judy Therwhanger, John Allison and Jan Allison.

The Haskell Chapter of the American Cancer Society met for a luncheon session at the City Cafe with nine members present. Tiffin Mayfield, vice president, presided over the meeting in the absence of the president, Dr. T. W. Williams.

Wanda Griffith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Griffith, has been named 1970 Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow at Paint Creek High School on the basis of her score in a written knowledge test on homemaking given senior girls recently.

> 40 Years Ago February 25, 1960

Named as new directors of the Haskell United Fund were Ben Charlie Chapman, Mrs. Olen Dotson, Brooks Middleton and Dr. T. W. Williams.

Jimmy Brock was chosen by the students of Ranger College as the 1960 Mr. Ranger College. Brock is the son of Mrs. Bob Brock of Haskell and is a 1958 graduate of Haskell High School.

A Rule sophomore, Doug Davis and a Sagerton freshman, Fred Wendelborn were among eight students chosen by the faculty of Ranger College for "Who's Who in Ranger College.

50 Years Ago February 23, 1950 A surprise birthday party was

given Thurs. night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Josselet honoring Mrs. Dave Josselet on her birthday.

The Rainbow Sewing Club met with Helen Johnson as hostess at the home of Mrs. W. S. Johnson.

The Center Point H. D. met in the home of Mrs. E. W. Andrews. The home of Mrs. W. E.

Johnson was the scene of a Valentine party for the Happ Birthday Club. Approximately 30 women from

the various churches in Haskell met at Eastside Baptist Church and quilted eight quilts for Mr. and Mrs. W. A. J. Hall, whose home was recently destroyed by fire.

> 90 Years Ago February 19, 1910

The Commissioners' Court has appointed 228 road overseers. It is to be hoped that Haskell county roads will be improved as a result of these appointments.

Hardy Grissom left Sun. night for Houston, to be gone for several

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Temple of Reading, Mass. are here to spend several days looking after their property interests.

The Commissioners' Court, acting on a petition submitted at the regular Feb. term. has called a local option election to be held March 14 to determine whether the sale of intoxicating liquor shall be permitted in Haskell county.

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4-H PHOTOGRAPHERS-All regular members and one new member of the Haskell Junior 4-H Club recently visited Kis Photo to take each other's pictures. Bobbie Johnson, owner of Kis Photo, showed them how to develop the pictures. Pictured back, I-r, are Derrick Tribbey, Lynette Tribbey, Stephanie Grand, Brittany Goudeau, Erin Hise, Tasha Zarate, Robbyn Tribbey, Lacey Peiser, Caleb Hudgens. Center, Gay Lynn Gary and Maggie Teague. Front, Hays Ottaway, Chambray Bartley, Paige Adams, Alexa Roberts, Amber Bingham and Laura Bowers.

### Sagerton News

By Dorothy M. Clark

The Rule Lady Cats basketball season came to a close last weekend and now we concentrate on the boys' games as they begin their trek to State.

Fans are kept busy following these dedicated youngsters and their coaches. We congratulate our local coach Jill Brown for leading the girls so far in the past season.

The Friendship Club met last Thurs. at Faith Lutheran Church for its regular monthly meeting. The "Happy Birthday" song was sung for J. B. Toney and Peggy Tabor,

who, incidentally, have birthdays on the same day in Feb. Enjoying the meal and day together were J. B. and Dorothy Toney, Jack and Peggy Tabor, Pastor Tommy Wilson, Herbert and Gladys Vahlenkamp, Larry LeFevre, Joyce and Delbert LeFevre, Ed Fouts, Joe and Dorothy Clark, Frances Clark and Linda LeFevre from Wylie.

Last weekend visitors in the home of Alvin and Ev Ulmer included Mary Ulmer of Seguin and Mark, Dawn, Sean and Josh Ulmer of Clear Lake.

## Haskell School Menu

Feb. 28-Mar. 3 Breakfast

Juice or fruit and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu. Cereal offered daily.

Monday: Buttered toast/jelly Tuesday: Breakfast burrito Wednesday: Pancakes/syrup Thursday: Biscuits/gravy,

Friday: Cinnamon toast

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

Monday, February 28 Lunch-Roast ham, cranberry sauce, hominy casserole, green beans, Jello w/mandarin oranges, bread, milk, tea or coffee

Wednesday, March 1 11:00 a.m. Outreach Health Services blood pressure check

Lunch-Country fried steak, gravy, broccoli, potatoes, brownies, bread, milk, tea or coffee

Friday, March 3 Lunch-Chicken, green peas, potatoes, tossed salad, apple cobbler, 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.

Lunch

A choice of baked potato with choice of topping or a salad bar are offered daily at the High School. Ala-carte line offered daily Secondary only. Milk and assorted drinks are served daily at the High School. Milk and juice are served daily at the Elementary School.

Monday: BBO McRibs, creamed potatoes, buttered toast, sliced

Tuesday: Beef nachos, pinto beans, Spanish rice, pineapple upside-down cake

Wednesday: Sliced turkey/gravy, creamed potatoes, fried okra, hot rolls, fruit cocktail

Thursday: Burrito, seasoned corn, tossed salad, fruit Jello

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

and "Mother's Cooking" on Thurs. night. Linda LeFevre of Wylie, Kent and Kit LeFevre of Tuscola, Larry and Susan LeFevre of Rule and Ken, Jill, Kinsey, Tully and Cade Brown were all there for supper. On Sat. granddaughter Laressa Earthman and little great grandson, Ryan, came to visit. Grandparents Larry and Susan LeFevre of Rule were also there along with Shane LeFevre of Sundown and Ken, Jill, Kinsey,

The home of Delbert and Joyce

LeFevre was busy this past week as

family members met for visiting

We continue to pray for much needed rain and as the clouds come, we have a little more hope. There was a quick shower in the area last Thurs, and it caused some excitement, but was not measurable. Maybe the reason that we're not getting rain is that we would all have heart attacks at the shock and would flood the local hospitals! On my!!

Tully and Cade Brown.

Ladies of Faith Lutheran Church met in the home of Mrs. Joe Clark Wed. to make quilts for Lutheran World Relief. Thirty quilts have been completed and will be sent to the Relief Project for use in floods. hurricanes and any other disasters. Those enjoying the working day together included Barbara Nauert, Dorothy Toney, Berneice Lunn, Helen Lehrmann, Hilda Kieke and Mary Neinast. Esther Kinman helped work on the quilts the prior

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### **Around Town**

By Joyce Hawkins

Mr. and Mrs. David Pharman of Wichita Falls spent the weekend with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Wright and helped celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. David attended church at Trinity Baptist on Sun. morning.

Phillip and Floradean Cockerell and sons, Steven and Jimmy, of Early spent Sat. visiting her mom Joyce and took her out for lunch. Gary, Vickie, Margaret and Creora came by to visit with them in the afternoon.

Visiting with George and Faye

### Rule's computer science team wins first place

First place went to Rule High School's computer science team in programming competition Sat., Feb. 19, in Lubbock. The team of Jeremy Hertel and Josh Smith earned a trip to the state Texas Computer Education Association programming contest in Houston. April 29, by winning the Area 1, Region 17-sponsored contest.

They competed against small schools (Class A through Class AAA) from Regions 14, 16 and 17 to secure the honor.

Gray over the weekend was son Lynn from Grapeland and daughter Judy Hicks and her grandson Kyle of Abilene. On Sun. afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Woody Turnbow of Weinert visited.

Mary Ann McFadden went to Anson on Sun. afternoon and visited her mother Faye Wheeler and an aunt Ethyl Fagan

On. Sat. Sammy. Peggy. Michael and Brittney Hawkins went to Aspermont to help her aunt Rosa Castanada celebrate her birthday with a party.

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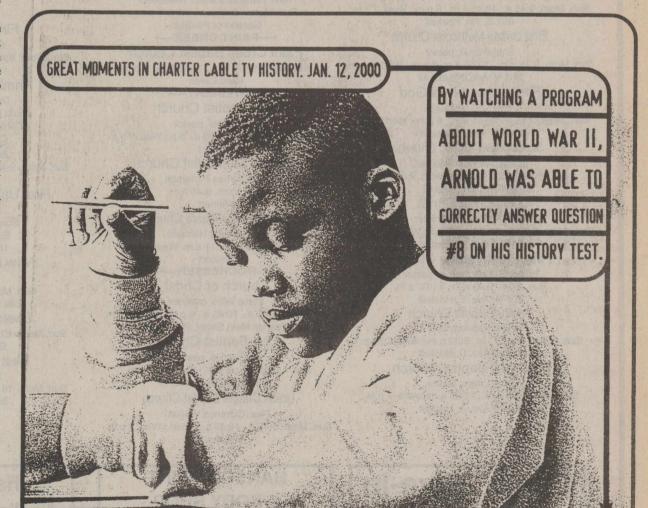
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#### NOTICE

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## This Week's Devotional Message:



Those of us who pray regularly know how easy it is to turn a prayer into a "wish list" of material advantages, and then we are disappointed when our wishes aren't granted. All too often we pray for silly, trivial things, or things that would be harmful to us, or even those that would benefit us at the expense of others. For example, we may pray that our team will win the game tomorrow, when our opponents have just as much right to a victory. We should pray for good health, wisdom, and self-improvement, some of which may require a little cooperation on our part. The best prayer simply affirms our belief that God knows what's best for us and will provide it. We can learn this at our House of Worship, or wherever we happen to be.

#### ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

--- HASKELL-East Side Baptist Church

David Page, pastor Sun. 8:30 a.m., 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m. 600 N. 1st East, Haskell Christian Church

Dusty Garison, minister

Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 107 N. Ave. F, Haskell Church of God Eric Clark, pastor • 864-2021 Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7:00 p.m.

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

Iglesia Bautista El Calvario 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, Haskel 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

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

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Sagerton Methodist Church

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The City of Haskell reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

NOTICE

The City of Haskell is accepting scaled bids for a restroom to be built at the Haskell RV Park. Specifications can be received at Haskell City Hall Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Bids will be opened in the City Administrator's office at 2:00 p.m. on March 3, 2000. Bids will be accepted or rejected at the regular Haskell City Council meeting on March 6, 2000 at 7:00 a.m.

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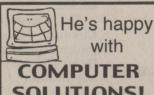
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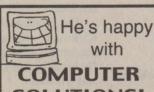
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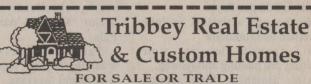
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Maps showing the location of the project, the environmental document prepared for the project, and other information relative to the project are on file and available for inspection and copying, at the office of the Area Engineer at 249 North Central, in Hamlin,

Information regarding the tentative schedules for construction may be obtained from the highway department at the address listed Any interested citizen may request that a Public Hearing be held covering the social, economic, and environmental effects of the

proposed reconstruction and design of the proposed project by

delivering a written request to the Area Engineer, Box 637, Hamlin, Texas 79520, on or before March 27, 2000. In the event that such a request is received, a Public Hearing will be scheduled and adequate notice will be published about the date,

time, and location of the hearing.

# STEAK DINNER

Sunday, Feb. 27 11:30 a.m. ~ 2 p.m. Paint Creek Cafeteria Adults \$500 Children under 12 \$400

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## Census program needs bilingual volunteers

Haskell County Judge, David Davis, has asked for bilingual volunteers to assist with persons who may have difficulty filling out the U. S. Census Form. He stressed that is is very important for the county that all citizens be counted, as future tax dollars, etc. often depend on population.

This outreach will be totally volunteer. Although volunteers do not have to take a test, they will be given 4 1/2 hours of training at Haskell City Hall. A designated location for the Census Outreach will be set up in each of the five towns in the county; Haskell, Rule, Weinert, Rochester and O'Brien. On a different day each week, one of the five locations will be

open for a couple of hours, from March 8th through April 14. One or more volunteers will assist persons who go to their location. Judge Davis said there are two

forms which may be filled out. If the long form is needed it will take no more than 15 or 20 minutes, while the short form will only take about five minutes.

Anyone who is bilingual and has a little extra time to volunteer for this outreach service is asked to call Judge Davis at 864-2851.

## Students visit Rotary Club

Mitchel Payne is the son of Claude and Janice Payne.

His school activities include basketball and football.

His favorite leisure- time activities are hunting and fishing. After finishing high school, Payne plans to go to college and play baseball.

Cole Earles is the son of Bob and Debbie Earles.

He attends the Church of Christ. School activities for Earles includes basketball, baseball and football.

His hobbies are hunting, fishing, and collecting guns and knives.

His future plans, after high school, include attending Midwestern University or Texas Tech, perhaps participating in athletics.

Kira Poteet in the daughter of Edgwyna Poteet.

She is a member of First United Methodist Church, Haskell.

School activities include being varsity cheerleader, band Drum Major '98, and participation in

Favorite activities for Poteet are watching movies, hanging out with friends and working.

Future plans for her include attending McMurry University and teaching pre-school.

Kimberly Hammes is the daughter of Kathie and Danny

She attends East Side Baptist Church. Her school activities include FFA Pals, varsity cheerleader, band, UIL poetry and speaking, and one-

act plays. She likes to spend time with her friends and drive long distances. Awards for her are Best Hair and

Honor Student. After high school Hammes plans to attend McMurry University, earning a degree in teaching in the theater and arts field



SHOOTING FOR TWO-Haskell Maiden, Deshea Phemister, goes up to sink points in the Bi-district game with Paradise in Cisco. Paradise won the game, 42-33. Photo by Bill Blankenship

## Garden Club topic is orchids

The Haskell Garden Club met Feb. 10 at the Haskell National Bank Community Room.

The roll call was given by Betty LeFevre. Committee reports were given. The "Wild Horse Prairie Project" reported that a total of 860 bulbs has been planted in the park. One hundred dollars has been received from a grant applied for

The program was given by Sam Kirkman, manager of Lowe's garden department, about orchids. He brought many varieties to show and tell about.

Those present were Gladys O'Neal, Margie Dorner, Frances Bowen, Wanda Ham, Beverly Tredemeyer, Florence Peden, Hazel Hale, Betty LeFevre, Erna Peiser, Sue Hertel, Melyn Wittenborn,

Ruby Holt, Sharon Lusk, Birdie Fischer and Mollie Carlisle.

The March meeting will be at the First National Bank Community Room.

### Births

Clara Abbigail "Abbey" McCormick, daughter of Craig and Janet McCormick of Haskell, was born at 6:01 p.m., Feb. 3, weighing 9 lbs., 6 1/2 oz., and measuring 21 1/2 inches.

Her brothers are seven year old Tucker, and Seth, age 2. Sisters are Lauren, age 11, and Emmalee,

Grandparents are Larry and LaJuan McCormick of Paris, and Charles and Betty Timmons of White Deer.

### Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 950 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., Feb. 19, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

Stockers 2-5 cheaper; feeders steady - 2 lower; stocker cows and packer cattle steady.

Jerseys, longhorns, Holsteins, goons \$5-\$25/100# less than figures quoted.

Cows: fat, .34-.40; cutters, .36-43: canners, .25-.32.

Bulls: bologna, .45-.51; feeder, .65-.76; utility .38-.45.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.15-1.35; 300-400 lbs., 1.05-1.25; 400-500 lbs.. 1.00-1.10: 500-600 lbs., .90-.98: 600-700 lbs., .84-.95: 700-800 lbs.. .80-.87: 800-up lbs., .62-

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs.. .95-1.10; 300-400 lbs., .90-1.05; 400-500 lbs.. .85-.98; 500-600 lbs.. .82-.89: 600-up lbs., .55-.84.

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## FCE Council meets

The Family and Community Education Council met at the Haskell County Extension Office Wed., Feb. 16. Seven members and agent Lou Gilly attended.

Nine members plan to attend the District Meeting in Weatherford

Plans are being made for Tri-

County Rally Day to he held in Haskell Mar. 21.

Agent Lou Gilly remarked about the success 4-H members are having at the livestock shows.

County 4-H Fashion Show will be in Rule Mar. 27.

Hostess of the day was the Homespun Club.

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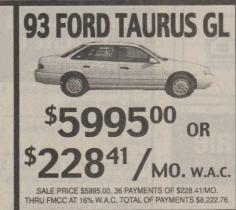












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To the Voters of the 39th Judicial District:

I, L. W. (Bill) Jones, III, am pleased to announce my candidacy for District Attorney for the 39th Judicial District which includes Kent, Haskell, Stonewall and Throckmorton Counties. Being a 4th generation native of the district, my pride for our district and my roots run deep. I was raised in Rule and after graduating from high school, attended Texas Tech University obtaining a Bachelors of Business Administration Degree in Accounting. After farming and ranching for a few years, I returned to Texas Tech School of Law to become an attorney. Upon completing my legal

studies, I opened a private practice in Haskell, keeping my personal promise to stay in this area and serve the legal needs of the people who live here. My knowledge of this district, and the concerns and desires of the people who live here, comes from my experience of living with, working with, and representing the good people of the 39th Judicial District for many years.

On March 14, 2000, I am asking for your vote and support to get a promotion. Not a new job, but a logical advancement to a position for which my knowledge and experience well prepares me. I base my application for employment not on promises, but on proven performance. I have had the privilege of representing the residents of Haskell County as their elected County Attorney for the past seven years. The skills and knowledge gleaned from my position as an elected prosecutor have given me not only the ability to ensure aggressive prosecution, but also the ability to manage the office of the District Attorney with professionalism, integrity, and efficiency.

As the only prosecutor running, I have proven myself to be tough and effective with a strong record of over 1500 successful prosecutions, over 50 felony juvenile prosecutions, over \$230,000 in fines and court costs imposed, over \$175,000 in victim restitution recovered, and over 2000 hot checks collected.

My established working relationship with area law enforcement will allow a smooth transition and enable me as your District Attorney to rapidly expand the "tough on crime" philosophy which has guided me over the years in my success as a prosecutor. I believe it imperative that all of the branches of law enforcement and prosecutors at all levels work cooperatively to ensure our citizens remain free from crime, but if a crime is committed, then our response must be swift and strong. If elected, I pledge to be available 100% of the time to the citizens, as well as to the other professionals, who must deal with the office.

While out campaigning, I look forward to meeting with as many of you as possible, however, my responsibilities as the Haskell County Attorney requires that I continue to prosecute cases at an average of one new case per day, so if I happen to miss you, please feel free to contact me at my office at 306 North First in Haskell, or on the web at www.westex.net/jones with any questions or

Your vote and influence will be appreciated, and together, we can send a strong message that crime will not be tolerated in the 39th Judicial District of Texas.

VOTE L. W. (BILL) JONES FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY

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