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#### Softball games

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#### Calendar

#### Runoff election

Early voting by personal appearance in the runoff election continues through 4:30 p.m. Fri., April 7 in the County Clerk's office at the courthouse. Ballots sent by mail must be received in the Clerk's office on the morning of Tues., April 11. The election is Tues., April 11.

#### CHIP program

The new Children's Health Insurance Program, designed to provide medical coverage for children whose parents can't afford private insurance, will have a representative in Haskell April 17 at Child Protective Services, 420 N. 1st from 1 to 4 p.m. Applications and assistance will be available. For information call 1-800-592-7433.

#### Study Club to meet

The Progressive Study Club will meet Thurs., April 13 at 7 p.m. in the Haskell National Bank Community Room for a program on Texas Heritage. Carolyn Pippen will give a book review.

#### Softball Assn. to meet

Haskell Girls Softball Association will hold a parent's meeting Mon., April 10 at 7 p.m. in the Haskell National Bank Community Room. Girls ages 4-18 who live in Haskell County are eligible

#### Senior luncheon

The Rule Senior Class of 2000 will hold a lunch Sun., April 9 in the school cafeteria from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. A choice of turkey and drassing or German sausage will be served along with mashed potatoes, green beans, corn, salad, rolls, cranberry sauce, cake and tea. Cost of the meal is \$4 for children 10 and under, adults \$6.00. For tickets call Julie Casey 864-8136, Cheryl Hertel 997-2631 or Rule school 997-2521.

#### Garage sale

Haskell Chamber of Commerce will hold a communitywide garage sale Sat., April 8. Booths are available on the square for food and out-of-town vendors. A map will be distributed to shoppers on the day of the sale. A \$5 fee will be charged to be listed on the map. Registration forms are available at the Chamber office or by calling Janet Earle at 864-2631. Entry deadline is April

#### Social Security

A representative from the Social Security Administration will be in Haskell at the old City Hall annex, 305 N. 1st, Thurs., Aril 6 at 9:30 a.m.

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ACADEMIC QUALIFIERS-Paint Creek students who competed in the District 13-A UIL Academic meet in Jayton, Mar. 25 are, front, I-r, Bridgett Silvas, Delinda Strickland and Candace Everhart. Back, Brandy Gardner, Stefanie Isbell and Heather Hobbs. Coaches for the events are Launa Medford, Cherry Pittcock and Cheryl Jones.

## Area schools compete in UIL Academic Meet

Rule High School won the District 13-A UIL Academic Meet in Jayton with 229 points. Second place went to Guthrie High School with 211 points and Rochester received third place with 186

The top three individuals and first-place teams will participate in a regional meet April 14-15 at Hardin-Simmons University in

Area winners are: Accounting, individuals – 3. Taylor Elkin, Rule Accounting team - 2. Taylor

Elkin, Angela Morton, Tony

Navarrette, Rule Computer Applications - 1. Nora Hartley, Rule; 2. Kami Baitz, Rule; 6. Jason Custer, Rule

Mathematics Team - 2. Jeremy Hertel, Josh Smith, Cole Wolsch,

Number Sense, individuals - 1.

Jeremy Hertel, Rule; 5. Grant Hisey, Rule

Number Sense, teams - 1. Jeremy Hertel, Grant Hisey, Josh Smith, Rule

Ready Writing, individuals - 2. Candace Everhart, Paint Creek; 5.

Marcie Stoddard, Rochester Science top scorers - Biology

alt. Grant Hisey, Rule Persuasive Speaking: 1. Brandy Gardner, Paint Creek

## Hudspeth to play in FCA football game

Andy Hudspeth, a Haskell High School senior, has been invited to play for the North Squad and join the best football players in the Big Country as they participate in the inaugural all-star football game to benefit the Fellowship of Christian

The Big Country All-Star Association recently announced the formation of the first annual Big Country All-Star Football Classic. The all-star game will be June 3 at 7:30 p.m. at Shotwell Stadium in Abilene.

Proceeds from the game will benefit the Big Country chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. The Big Country All-Star Association is a newly formed nonprofit organization that has as its

**ANDY HUDSPETH** 

goal the establishment of a fulltime FCA coordinator for the Big Country. It is expected this annual event will help raise enough money to support this goal.

Price Mathieson, vice president of the organization, said statistics show that when the FCA has a full-time person in an area, the number of high school and middle school participants in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes increases greatly.

The inaugural Big Country All-Star Football Classic will feature a North team coached by Abilene High head football coach Steve Warren and a South squad led by Wylie High School head football coach Hugh Sandifer.

Joining Warren on the North coaching staff will be Hank Dowell of Sweetwater, Denney Faith of Albany and Gerald James of

Colorado City. Randy Quisenberry of Cooper, Dan Slaughter of Ballinger and Steve Freeman of Brownwood will serve as assistant coaches on Sandifer's South squad.

A total of 70 players nominated by their high school coaches make up the two teams, chosen from schools within an approximate 75-

mile radius of Abilene. All players will be graduates of their respective high schools prior to June 3, 2000.

Each 35-man squad will report continued on page 12

## Republican run-off election set April 11

The Republican Party Primary Runoff Election will be held April 11. Voting will take place in the third floor Jury Room of the Haskell County Courthouse in

Early voting will be conducted in the Haskell County Clerk's office in the courthouse.

Voters will decide candidates for the offices of Presiding Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals; Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 1 and Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2.

The race for Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 1 will be decided in this Republican Runoff Election because there is not a Democrat candidate for the General Election. Winners of the two remaining races will face Democrat candidates in November.

Voters are eligible to vote in either party runoff if they voted in that party's election March 14 or if they did not vote in the March 14 election and are registered.

Current Events, teams: 1. Brandy Gardner, Heather Hobbs, Stefanie Isbell, Paint Creek

Prose: 6. Delinda Strickland,

Current Events, individuals: 3. Heather Hobbs, Paint Creek

Journalism Events: New Writing - 1. Wes Herode, Rochester; 3. Dusty Hasley, Rochester; 4. Bridgett Silvas, Paint

Feature Writing - 3. Heather Hobbs, Paint Creek; 4. Janae Smith, Rule; 5. Chrissy Ramirez,

Editorial Writing - 1. Nathan Buerkle, Rochester; 4. Candace Everhart, Paint Creek; 6. Sandra Ruiz, Rochester

Headline Writing - 2. Jeffrey Murray, Rule; 4. Heather Hobbs, Paint Creek; 6. Janae Smith, Rule

## Firemen's convention set Sat.

Haskell will be the setting this weekend for the 123rd Semi-Annual Meeting of the Mid-West Texas Firemen and Fire Marshall's Association.

The Mid-West Association is made up of cities in an area running roughly from Haskell on the north, to Throckmorton to Baird on the east, through Abilene to Snyder and Colorado City, back up to Rochester and Rule and Aspermont on the west and back to Haskell.

As many as 100 participants are expected to be here for registration at the Fire Station at 8:00 a.m. Saturday. A meeting and luncheon at the American Legion Hall is planned for the Ladies Auxiliary, beginning at 11:00 a.m.

At 1:00 p.m. a business meeting will be held at the Haskell High School Auditorium. Campbell of Anson, president of the Association, will preside.

Mayor Ken Lane will welcome the group to Haskell. Second vicepresident, Eddie Klose of Haskell will make the presentation of guests and past presidents. Vicepresident Delbert Russell of Merkel will introduce the state officers.

Following the business meeting, in which the appointment of committees and the election of officers will be held, a memorial service will honor all of those members or their wives who have passed away since the last meeting.

The popular Pumper Races, featuring four categories for both men and women will begin about 4:00 p.m.

At 6:00 p.m., an evening meal

will be served in the American Legion Hall. It will be followed by a dance beginning at 8:00 p.m. The Haskell Volunteer Fire

Dept. officers are: Chief Bill Steele: Assistant Chief Sam Watson; Captains Eddie Klose, Randy Shaw and Kenny Watson; and Lieutenants Keith Hannsz, Coy Scoggins and Jerry Stocks. Members are Jessie Billington,

Shane Buchanan, Donald Mathew Cunningham, Cunningham, Louis Enriquez, Mike Haley, Tony Haynes, Bobby Howard, Cody Ivey, Randall Martin, Claude Payne, Earl Proctor, Sonny Reynolds, Mike St. John, Cody Stocks, Danny Stocks, Josh Stocks, Raymond Stuart, Kyle White and Greg Williams.

## Haskell Elementary Kindergarten to register April 14

Haskell Elementary School will have Kindergarten registration and screening Fri., April 14 in the elementary cafeteria. To attend Kindergarten, a child

must be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2000.

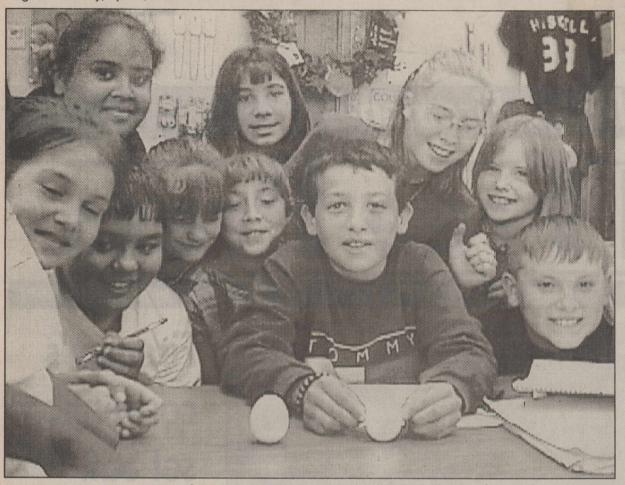
Students whose last names begin with letters A through F will register at 9:00 a.m. Those with last names beginning with letters G through L will register at 10:00 a.m. Those with last names beginning with letters M through R will register at 1:00 p.m. and those with last names beginning with letters S through Z will register at 2:00 p.m. Please bring your child to the elementary cafeteria. Students who are currently enrolled

prekindergarten are still required to come to registration. Each child needs to bring his/her

birth certificate, immunization record and social security card to registration. Immunization requirements which must be met before the first day of Kindergarten are: three doses polio vaccine including one received on or after the 4th birthday, four doses DTP/DtaP vaccine including one received on or after the 4th birthday, two doses MMR vaccine (or one dose MMR and one dose measles vaccine) and three doses hepatitis B vaccine.

Head Start, Early Childhood, Prekindergarten and Kindergarten classes will not be held Fri., April 14.

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TESTING GRAVITY-During the Equinox, Mar. 20, when the sun was shining directly on the equator, Haskell 5th grade students tested the "old egg theory" of getting an egg to stand on its end by using the natural pull of gravity. After several minutes of practice, the amazed students were successful in their experiment.

#### Daddy

He has made our every day a little more meaningful by his amiable personality; Our lives a little brighter by his Cheerfulness; Our laughter a little more joyous by having shared all of our good times with him; and our hearts a little more understanding by the deep affection he had for others. He will forever be remembered in our hearts.

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## **Obituaries**

#### Allen Dale Overton

direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Overton died Mon., March 20 in Seymour.

Born Oct. 16, 1926 in Haskell, he graduated from Paint Creek High School and attended McMurry College. He served in the U.S. Navy in the Phillipines during World War II. He was a member of the American Legion, the Sons of Hermann Lodge #241 and First United Methodist Church. He was a farmer and a rancher and enjoyed hunting and

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Donna Kay Overton; one brother, Roy Irvin Overton; and his parents, Roy Alonzo and Margaret Kuenstler Overton.

Survivors include two daughters,

Jo Nell Sammons and Jana Sue Norville, both of Seymour; one sister, Jeannie Raughton of Paint Creek; seven grandchildren: Dustin, Jonathan, Erin, and David Hajek Jr. and Kris, Kaitlin and Klay Norville,

all of Seymour. Pallbearers were his grandsons: Dustin Hajek, Jonathan Hajek, David Hajek, Jr., and Kris Norville; and his friends: Mickey Melton, Ky Kuenstler, Larry Gilliam, Joe Brewer

and Rusty Hollar. Honorary pallbearers were Runt Gary, Don Nanny, Ray Perry, Wilda Medford and Twain Mickler.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Wichita Falls, P.O. Box 4804, Wichita Falls, Texas 76308 or Just Like Home, 1049 W. California St., Seymour, Texas 76380.

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## Sagerton News

As we sing the old song...Tho April showers may come your way, we certainly hope they continue to come our way, not only to bring the flowers that bloom in May, but also the hay, milo and cotton. Most everyone received a good rain last week, some up to 4 inches and we are thankful for the wet fields and stock tanks that are full. It was said that the farmers had a grin on their face like the proverbial "wave on a slop bucket."

**ALLEN DALE OVERTON** 

Overton, 73, of Paint Creek were

held Wed., March 22 at First United

Methodist Church in Haskell with

Rev. Shannon Gresham and Rev.

Truett Kuenstler officiating. Burial

was in Willow Cemetery under the

Funeral services for Allen Dale

There comes a time in each of our lives when we must admit to getting old and forgetful and step out of the picture of doing the things that we have been doing and letting someone else do a better job. Your correspondent has come to that time and is asking for someone to start writing this column from now on. After the double error in last week's news, it is most evident that someone else could do a more accurate job. Please call me for details.

Sagerton's Mandi Hunt's name was omitted from the list of students participating in the Rule UIL one-act play and what a terrible thing to happen since she was selected to be on the honorable mention all-star cast for the first round of competition held at Rochester. At the second go-around held in Guthrie this week, she was named to the all-star cast and the play advances again to Graham. Congratulations Mandi and our apologies for the error.

The Senior Class of Rule is

sponsoring a fund-raising dinner Sun., April 9 at the Rule High School cafeteria with Rudy Casey being the chief cook. The meal will consist of turkey and dressing, German sausage with all the trimmings and will be served from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Tickets will be \$6.00 for adults and \$4.00 for students 10 and under. Everyone is encouraged to help the seniors raise money for their senior trip this year and enjoy a good meal with friends. Sagerton seniors this year are Jeremy Hertel, Brian Lehrmann, Yolanda Rodriquez and Michelle Stegemoeller.

The dairy cattle judging team from Rule High School made the news for winning at three recent competitions held at Stephenville, Cross Plains and Canyon. The competition consists of a 250 multiple choice question test plus actual judging of the cattle. Brian Lehrmann and Michelle Stegemoeller from our little town are members of the team along with Jeffrey Murray and Tiffany Ramirez from Rule. At Stephenville the team placed third; at Cross Plains the team placed first. Michelle and Tiffany tied for first with individual honors and Brian placed sixth in individual. At the Canyon competition the team placed first again; Brian placed first in individual and Michelle placed fourth in individual.

The fund raising brisket dinner held at Faith Lutheran Church Sunday was termed successful and

all funds received will be used to help defray expenses for the youth Bible Camp this summer. The event was sponsored by the local branch of Aid Association for Lutherans. The AAL will also be sponsoring a pancake breakfast at the church on Easter morning from 8 to 9 a.m. Make plans to eat breakfast at the church before

Rule High School won the District 13-A UIL academic meet in Jayton held during the past weekend with the following Sagerton students placing in categories listed: Kami Baitz 2 in computer application and Jeremy Hertel 2 is mathematics, team; 1 in number sense, individual and 1 in number sense team with Grant Hisey and Josh Smith.

G. W. and Ophelia LeFevre have returned from a short camping trip to the Big Bend of Texas. They were accompanied by her son, Larry and Jean Gibson of Springtown. The LeFevres also visited relatives in Odessa and encountered a terrific wind and rain storm near Rankin during their travels. We're glad to have the LeFevres back home safe

Delbert and Joyce LeFevre Frances Clark, Jill, Kinsey, Tully and Cade Brown of Sagerton and Larry LeFevre of Rule all attended the J. R. Laughlin family reunion held at the home of Linda LeFevre in Wylie during the past weekend. Approximately 50 family members

## **Around Town**

By Joyce Hawkins

Joyce Hawkins went with Cody and Julie Cochran and little daughter Audrey and Daniel Conn and Sabrina Conn to Lewisville to visit with Bobby and Darlene Hawkins over the weekend.

Vivian Roberson's granddaughter and her daughter Lisa and Lauren Whitley of Lubbock spent the weekend with Vivian.

Visiting with Faye Gray on Sat. was her daughter Judy Hicks from

Mr. and Mrs. Arvil McFadden spent Sun. in Anson where they visited her mother Faye Wheeler and went to church with her, had lunch and visited aunt Ethel Fagan in the afternoon.

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Bernice Hilliard attended the Abilene Regional 4 square and round dance on Friday night.

Bailey and Nancy Toliver have returned from a sightseeing trip to

Dian and Bill Proctor of Waco visited her parents Dr. Frank and Billie Cadenhead over the weekend.

Elliot Cox and family of Snyder and Sara Snailum of Ft. Worth visited their parents Wallace and Jo Cox and attended the services at the Methodist Church where their brother Paul brought the message.

Greater Independent Baptist Church had their memorial service Sun., March 26 for all their deceased members' families. Attending was Bessie Hanson's daughters from Abilene Verda Calloway, Lissie Philip and Earlene Hanson. Also grandson and family Rev. and Mrs. James Webb of Abilene who brought the memorial message. The text was Psalm 90 and the message was titled "The Frailties of Life.

Other memorial families were Leolters Harris of Knox City, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Williams; sons of Alice Johnson Robert Early from Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Otis Johnson from Arlington. Family of Mr. and Mrs. Major Lewis were their daughters Susie Jackson, Mae Lou Yeldell of Haskell and a host of his grandchildren from Arlington, Dallas and Haskell. Family of Ben

Haskell. Also thanks again for all the prayers for pastor Rev. Bobby Wade who was in a car accident and was away from the church a week, but is now in his pulpit.

Lewis was his daughter Susie of

Visiting in the home of Mae Lou Yeldell was her former pastor's son from Kerrville. Also visiting was another one of the church members, Clark.

Mae Lou Yeldell's son is out of the hospital and will be living in Lancaster where he will be close to the Veterans Hospital in Dallas.

Whatever the reason,

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JOANIE NOEL DUGGAN - WALTER CASEY LARNED

# Duggan, Larned plan July wedding

Danny and Jana Duggan of Stamford are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Joanie Noel Duggan, to Walter Casey Larned, son of Sammy and

Gerre Larned of Haskell.

The bride-elect graduated from Stamford High School and is attending Texas Tech University working toward a degree in Multidisciplinary Studies. She is the granddaughter of Robert and Ethel Duggan and the late Viola Duggan of Stamford and the late

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Johnny and Lavina Spitzer of Sagerton.

The prospective bridegroom graduated from Haskell High School and owns and operates Larned's Easy Moving of Lubbock. He is the grandson of Dee and Ruth Larned, Alice Larned and Golda Colbert, all of Haskell and Dr. R. E. Colbert of Huntsville, Ala.

The couple plan to exchange vows July 15 at Bethel Lutheran Church in Ericksdahl.

## FCE Club holds annual Rally Day

The community room at Haskell National Bank was the location for Knox, Baylor and Haskell counties' Family Community Education Clubs Rally Day. This annual day of fun and visiting was Tues., March 21. Forty club members attended.

Haskell Council Chairman Betty Sanders open the program with a welcome. Lou Gilly, Haskell County Agent, introduced special guest Suzanne Starr, Educational Services Manager from Hendrick Cancer Center in Abilene. Starr gave an informative talk on health awareness. She did a personal risk factor evaluation. This is a questionnaire "Cancer Risk Profile" designed to help identify your risk for cancer and suggest ways you can actively prevent its occurrence.

The noon meal consisted of meat and vegetables from Haskell County ladies; salads from Baylor County and Knox County ladies brought desserts.

Baylor County will be Rally Day host in the year 2001.







MRS. CRAIG STORY

## Tubbs, Story wed

Danielle Tubbs and Craig Story were married Sat., March 18 at First United Methodist Church in Wichita Falls. Dr. Robert Allen officiated.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Pedro Garcia of Edinburg and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Tubbs of Wichita Falls. The groom's parents are Shirley Larned Story of Wichita Falls and Danny Story of Eldorado, Okla. He is the grandson of Florence Larned of Haskell.

Jennifer Tubbs was her sister's maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Niki Hall, Brandy Roberts and Melanie Brown.

Chris Burdette was the best man. Groomsmen were Tim Larned, Johney Larned and Richard Dowdy.

Ushers were John E. Gonzales, Stephen Jones, Tony Meza, Mitchell Baird and Matt Stone. Flower girls were Kaitlyn and Erica Gonzales, Celena Rushing and MacKenzie Larned.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gonzales, Jr. were hosts for a reception following the ceremony. The groom's mother entertained rehearsal dinner guests at Uncle Lynn's Catfish Restaurant.

The bride is a graduate of Iowa Park High School and attends Midwestern State University. She is employed as the office manager by Dr. Ronald Blankenship.

The groom is a graduate of Rider High School and attends MSU. He is employed by the State of Texas.

After a wedding trip to the Mexican Riviera, the couple will live in Wichita Falls.

## Garden Club meets

The Haskell Garden Club met March 16 at the Haskell National Bank Community Building with President Sue Hertel presiding. Ruby Holt presented the prayer. Roll call and minutes were read by Betty LeFevre. Twelve answered the roll call.

The club was notified they have won a State Award to be revealed

when a representative attends the 72nd Spring Convention in

Arlington April 25-28.

Hertel presented an enjoyable program on hummingbirds with a film, printed information and discussion. Bennie Shelton and Ruby Holt served refreshments.

The April 13 meeting will be a trip to Sweetwater to the Iris Farm.





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## Students visit Rotary Club

Dawson Druesedow, son of Gary and Jill Druesedow, is active in football and basketball.

He is a Methodist, and his hobbies are hunting and fishing.

School awards for him are Quill and Scroll, being on the A+ honor roll, and named Honorable Mention Defensive End.

Druesedow plans to attend Midwestern State University and pursue a career in something that involves computers.

Jason Trammell is the son of Bill and JoNell Trammell. He attends the First Baptist Church

Church.

Among his activities are

football, baseball and working on the farm. His hobbies are hunting and fishing.

Special recognitions for him have been: named to the A+ honor roll: the top 10% of his class; All-District 2nd team running back; Honorable Mention linebacker; and All-District 1st team 3rd base.

After High School, Trammelll plans to attend Texas Tech University or Midwestern State University to obtain a degree in engineering.

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## OPINION



#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

By Ed Sterling TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN - More than 1 million people in Texas are infected with tuberculosis, according to the Texas Department of Health.

Highest risk groups include people born in a foreign country, substance abusers, those with HIV infection, inmates in correctional facilities, people with diabetes and the homeless.

Stopping or slowing tuberculosis in Texas acts as a firewall for 18 other states, especially among migrant workers, said Charles Wallace of the health department's Tuberculosis Elimination Division said.

Texas supports a tracking and TB treatment completion project called TB-Net that follows migrant workers from clinic to clinic.

Tuberculosis usually can be cured with multi-month regimen of antibiotics.

**Anti-Child Abuse Effort Begins** 

Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services last week launched a statewide media campaign to prevent child abuse and neglect.

New television advertisements point parents to an Internet site, itsuptoyou.org, which includes

parenting tips, local resources, activities for children and parents and volunteering opportunities.

"We need parents to know 'it's up to you' to make a difference in your child's life," said Marla Sheely, public information officer for the agency. "Looking at the research, it's obvious what areas this campaign must target."

In 1998, the most frequently confirmed form of abuse or neglect was neglectful supervision with 18,817 cases. The second highest category was physical abuse with 13,460 confirmed cases.

The number of Texas children dying from abuse and neglect declined 21 percent from 1998 to 1999, the agency reported.

Specifically, 171 Texas children died of abuse and neglect during fiscal 1998 and 135 in fiscal 1999. The state's fiscal year ends Aug. 31.

Anyone who suspects a child is being abused or neglected can call the state's toll-free hotline, 1-800-252-5400.

**Court Hears School Prayer Case** Texas Attorney General John Cornyn on March 29 presented oral arguments before the U.S Supreme Court in Doe v. Santa

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Fe Independent School District.

Cornyn asked the court to uphold the school district's policy of allowing a voluntary student message during pre-game ceremonies of home varsity football games in which the student can choose whether or not to include a prayer.

"We have over 1,000 school districts in Texas who want legal guidance on this issue. The Santa Fe policy should be our model. It neither endorses nor inhibits religion. It strikes a careful balance between the free-speech rights of the students and maintains the separation of church and state," Cornyn said.

The court's opinion is expected by the end of its term in June.

**Trainees Will Get State Jobs** State agencies have 800 unfilled computer technology positions.

To address the shortage of qualified applicants, the state Comptroller's office plans to "grow its own" by opening the new Texas Information Technology Academy in late June.

Twenty to 30 students will receive entry-level pay for 12 weeks while training, and in exchange will sign a two-year commitment to work for a state

**Regent's Case Revisited** 

Brazos County District Attorney Bill Turner and Matthew Paul, a state prosecutor, urged the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals to reinstate the conviction of former Texas A&M University regent Ross Margraves.

Margraves, a Houston lawyer, was placed on four years' probation after using an A&M aircraft for a \$1,435 trip to his son's college graduation in Baton Rouge, La., in 1993.

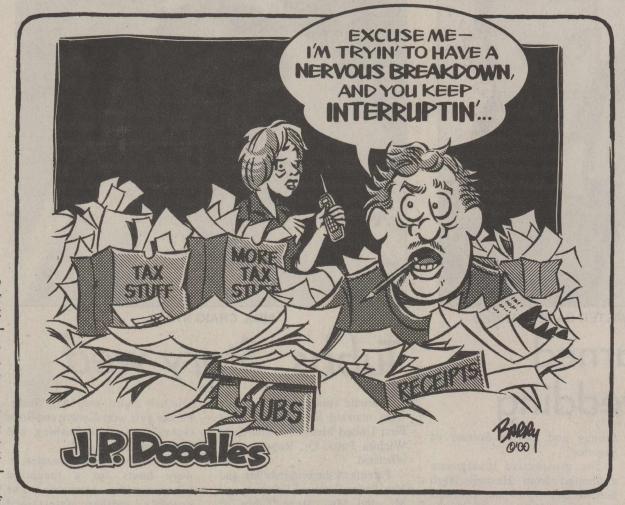
A decision by the 14th Court of Appeals set aside Margraves' 1996 felony conviction for misapplication of state funds. **Other Highlights** 

■ Thomas "Hollywood" Henderson, a former All-Pro linebacker with the Dallas Cowboys, drew the winning ticket in a \$28 million Texas Lottery in March. Henderson is a community activist in Austin.

■ Christine Schmidt, a University of Texas chemical engineering professor, has developed a new "biomaterial" of plastic and sugar that could be used to heal damaged tissue better and faster.

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### From The Inside Out

By Mary Kaigler

Is this country's economic situation going to the dogs?

Are unlimited, easy credit practices a boon or a bane? Perhaps t depends on who is taking advantage of them.

Everyone is aware of the practice of national credit card companies in sending unsolicited high-limit credit cards to young people and students who have never yet done anything to establish a credit rating. Although we wonder about the soundness of the marketing strategy behind such a trend, evidently it works well in enough cases for the companies to continue pursuing it as a viable marketing tool.

While you may doubt your young child's credit rating or ability to properly handle a credit card, have you ever considered checking out your dog's credit rating and the credit line the pooch may be eligible for? It might be better than you think.

A while back, the Bill Perry family's dog, thirteen-year-old Sib (which is short for "Sibling," or an abbreviation for "Short in the Britches," depending on which family member you ask), was sent a notice that he'd been selected to receive a credit card from a wellknown national credit card

Shortly after that a "platinum" card arrived in the mail, along with several blank checks that could be used against the account that had a credit line of \$5,000.00. It was a familiar drill; all Mr. Sib Perry had to do to activate the account was call in to get his PIN number, and

sign the checks for ready cash or merchandise.

Needless to say, the whole event brought about quite a bit of speculation as to how Sib should 'bark in" his acceptance and properly sign the card and checks; with a paw print or use a surrogate signer? Never coming to a unanimous decision, they let the

matter drop.

No one in the Perry family knows how the card company got Sib's name and address. The guess is that it was sent in by the kids years ago in some kind of silly contest as a prank, and as is often the case, the list of names entering the contest was sold to a marketing promotion agency.

Not to be denied, the persistent credit card company recently sent Sib a voucher for a five day, four nights, all-expenses-paid Carnival Cruise vacation, as an added incentive for the unsuspecting hound to accept the credit card they had so generously offered.

Although even the thoughts of a Carnival Cruise didn't exactly make Sib's floor-length ears stand up in attention, it did get another round of speculation going among family members as to how Sib should properly sign the card and checks and redeem the vacation

Sib was given to Amanda Perry when he was a very young dog. With all the tender loving care he has received since then, he has not exactly been living 'a dog's life.' So, when the family adopted Clyde, a smaller young dachshund, the older Sibling's nose got a little out of joint over the feisty newcomer. To counteract the 'sibling rivalry' that erupted, Sib has been staying at Grandma Thula Perry's house.

As much as that lady likes to travel, maybe she should look into helping Sib use the free ocean cruise. One has to wonder what would happen if she and Sib both dressed up in some cruise-wear deck pants, big straw hats and sunglasses, and showed up at dock side with the free voucher and the new credit card to cover the little ship-board incidentals the two of them might need. Now that would truly be a picture worth a thousand

During all the speculation, Sib is the only one who hasn't commented on it.

But, that's probably understandable. By dog years the gray-muzzled pooch is probably in his 90s, and as everyone knows, you can't teach an old dog new tricks. At his age he's just not a party animal anymore.

So, at this time, from all indications, there's probably no use in worrying that Sib will begin to "live it up" and get himself into a tangle of debt that even his grandpups could never pay off.

However, if it becomes evident that the aging Sib is staying at home, sitting at the Perry's computers, spending credit card money by going on-line as a day trader on the stock market, look out! A closer study of the nation's leading economic indicators may

indeed show that the country's economic situation is truly going to the dogs.

On behalf of all the entities

involved in Census Night, I would

like to say thank you to all the

volunteers who helped. Also thanks

to everyone who came, filled out

and turned in their forms. Thanks to

the following businesses and

individuals who contributed door

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Sincerely,

Diane Clifton Cox

Jasper, Texas

Dear Editor:

#### From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

> 10 Years Ago April 5, 1990

Franciene Johnson received a plaque designating her as Haskell's 'Most Outstanding Citizen" during the Chamber of Commerce

Haskell High School twirlers for 1990-91 will be Nichole Cothron, Cindy Henry, Andrea Bridwell, Joni Martindale, Sherry Mueller, Michelle Espinoza and Connie Silvas, drum major.

The Haskell Indians ran away with the championship of the Pied Piper Relays in Hamlin, scoring 123 1/2 team points in the 13school field.

> 20 Years Ago April 3, 1980

Geraldine Pool was named Woman of the Year during the annual Rule Chamber of Commerce banquet. Named Man of the Year during the Rule Chamber of Commerce banquet was Frank Campbell.

Haskell ISD board members hired assistant coach Jim Baldwin as head coach and Berry Crudgington as band director beginning the next school year.

The Haskell office of West Texas Utilities got a minor facelift when the company's old sign was replaced with a more modern version. The sign that was removed had been a part of the scenery h the square since the 1950's.

30 Years Ago April 2, 1970

Ronnie Reed, Haskell High School agriculture teacher and student Riley Middleton presented the program at the noonday luncheon meeting of the Rotary Club at the City Cafe. C. A. Thomas introduced the speakers.

More than 100 persons attended the Texas Farmers Union District III Conference held at the Elementary School. The talented Scarleteens entertained the large crowd.

A total of 2.91 inches of moisture in the form of rain, snow, sleet and mist fell here during the month of March making it an unusually wet month. W. D. Larned of Bill Wilson

Motor Company has been named a winner of Ford Division's coveted Top Hatter Award for his sales performance during 1969.

40 Years Ago April 7, 1960

Allen Rieves was elected president of Haskell Jaycees in the annual election of officers and will succeed Virgil Cobb.

New officers for the Haskell County Tuberculosis Association are president, Dr. Robert Middleton; first vice president, Wallace Cox, Jr.; second vice president, Mrs. Fred Monke; secretary, Mrs. C. O. Holt; treasurer, Mrs. C. V. Payne. Mrs. Tommy West of Goree and

Mrs. Kenneth Thornton of Haskell were winners of two Serbin dresses given away at Lane-Felker dress 50 Years Ago

April 6, 1950 Charles M. Conner is the new

president and R. C. Couch, Jr. vice president of the Haskell County Farm Bureau. Margaret Free, freshman student

from Haskell will represent Hardin-Simmons as a duchess at the Baylor University Intercollegiate Rodeo. Free is a 1949 graduate of Haskell High School and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Free. Mr. and Mrs. George Moeller

returned home Mon. after spending a week visiting relatives in south and east Texas. The Rochester Steers ran away

with the District 13B track meet by scoring 45 points. J. Huntsman of Rochester was high point man with 15 points. He won first place in the high hurdles, low hurdles and 220 yard dash. 90 Years Ago

April 2, 1910

A large crowd of children enjoyed an Easter egg hunt at the home of Mr. Lloyd in the Whitt Chapel community. Morris Gilbert, who is attending

Stamford Collegiate Institute, spent Sunday with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. E. Gilbert.

The Elks Lodge is soon to have a new, modern home. Plans have been drawn and as soon as site can be selected work will begin on a modern two-story building for the

Letters to the editor your community is very important.

Dear Editor:

As we enter a new century and approach a new millennium, we should reflect on where we are going. One of the most important indications of a civilized society is how we treat our children. Unfortunately, if current trends continue, too many Texas children will be abused and neglected.

Children are our most precious resource and we should be committed to working toward a happier, healthier, and safer environment for them. Far too many children in Texas are abused or neglected. All Texans must join together to prevent this tragedy.

Our future depends on the wellbeing of children today. The time has come for us to reflect on what we are doing as a community to support children and their families. We must start putting children first. It's up to you. If we don't stand for children, who will? Sincerely,

Haskell County Child Welfare Board

Dear Editor:

All deadlines are 5 p.m. on Monday.

On Monday, March 20, I had occasion to travel through your town on my way to New Mexico. My friend and I ate at the Dairy Queen and then resumed our trip. It wasn't until about 9:30 p.m. that we stopped for the night in Post and discovered I had left my purse hanging on one of the chairs with the longhorn cutouts on the back at the DQ.

I called the Dairy Queen, but they were closed. I then spoke to the County sheriff's department who tried to find someone who worked at the Dairy Queen. Needless to say, without word of my purse which contained a fair amount of cash and at least 15 credit cards, I didn't sleep much that

Early the next morning we retraced the miles back to Haskell. About halfway there, we got a call from my friend's husband saying someone from the DQ had called to say they had my purse safe and sound. What a relief! My sincere thanks to Tammy

and the other employees at DQ for their honesty and for caring about a ditsy woman who can't keep up with her belongings. Your community is to be commended for

Commissioner Kenny Thompson, Heads or Tails, Farm Bureau, Richardson's, First American Bank, Haskell National Bank, First National Bank, Shear Perfection, Hair Plus, Robbie's Beauty Salon, Haskell Tire & Appliance, Bill Wilson Motor Co., Bailey Toliver, Medford Buick-Pontiac, Dairy

Video Mania and Dollar General. Our entire community will be affected by census data and we

appreciate all the effort being made to make sure the count is accurate. Thanks again. Billie McKeever

Superintendent Haskell CISD

having people with attitudes such as they displayed. As a resident of the East Texas town of Jasper, I can tell you, what people perceive of

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## Indians win first, Maidens second in Haskell Relays

The Haskell Indians claimed first place with 121 points at the Haskell Relays Sat., April 1. Rule boys placed fifth place with 80

The Haskell Maidens placed second with 125 points.

In the JV boys' division Haskell received second place with 132 points and Rule won third place with 75 points.

3200: 1. Hisey, Rule, 10:30.81; 2. Puebla, Rule, 11:09.22

400 Relay: 2. Haskell, 44.66; 4. Rule, 46.69

800: 1. Garcia, Haskell, 2:12.92 110 HH: 3. Everett, Haskell, 16.16; 4. Cunningham, Haskell,

100: 1. Billington, Haskell,

THANK YOU VOTERS

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the citizens of Haskell County who voted for me in

the recent election. I promise to uphold the

responsibilities of the County Attorney's Office and

do my best to serve all the people. I appreciate all

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10.80; 4. Riley, Haskell, 11.60 400: 1. Lehrmann, Rule, 51.72; 2. Martinez, Haskell, 52.48

300 IH: 2. Harvey, Rule, 40.74; 3. Everett, Haskell, 42.34; 6. Cunningham, Haskell, 44.87 200: 3. Patton, Haskell, 23.08

1600: 1. Hisey, Rule, 4:48.87; 2. Garcia, Haskell, 4:59.08; 3. Puebla, Rule, 4:59.44; 5. McSmith, Haskell, 5:33.63

1600 Relay: 2. Haskell, 3:35; 3. Rule, 3:36

Discus: 4. Smith, Rule, 87' 11" Long Jump: 4. Harvey, Rule,

Triple Jump: 1. Riley, Haskell, Pole Vault: 2. Patton, Haskell, 11' 6" 3. McSmith, Haskell, 9' 6"

3200: 1. Thomas, Haskell, 400 Relay: 2. Haskell, 51.55

100: 1. Hodge, Haskell, 12:03 800 Relay: 1. Haskell, 1:49.00 400: 1. B. Lindsey, Haskell, 63.97; 3. T. Lindsey, Haskell,

300 Hurdles: 5. Cox, Haskell, 57.60; 6. Phemister, Haskell, 60.65

200: 1. Hodge, Haskell, 25.37 1600 Relay: 2. Haskell, 4:26.86

High Jump: 4. Lindsey,

Haskell, 4' 6" Shot Put: 2. Andress, Haskell, 31' 5" 3. Buerger, Haskell, 30' 5" Discus: 3. Buerger, Haskell, 90'

## **Jackpot Roping** Results

Results of Haskell Roping Club roping held Sun., April 2 are:

B-Roping: Round 1: 1. Fred Barrett 9.0; 2. Rex Bland 12.4; 3. Jim Pope 12.5 Round 2: 1. Roman Morgan

11.0; 2. Lanham Bishop 11.1; 3. Jim Davis 12.2 Round 3: 1. Fred Barrett 10.1;

2. Josh Ownby 10.4; 3. Rex Bland Average winners were: 1. Rex

Bland 36.1; 2. Jim Davis 36.8; 3. Jim Pope 40.3; 4. Lanham Bishop Open Roping: Round 1: 1. Cliff

Kirkpatrick 9.0; 2. Raymond Hollabaugh 9.9; 3. Bryce Davis 11.4; 4. Fred Hernandez 11.5 Round 2: 1. Brand Cude 9.0; 2. Carl Hopkins 9.1; 3. Fred

Hernandez 9.2; 4. Cliff Kirkpatrick Round 3: 1. Carl Hopkins 8.5; 2. Dusty Arrott 9.0; 3. Cliff

Kirkpatrick 9.1; 4. Josh Ownby Average winners were: 1. Cliff Kirkpatrick 27.7; 2. Raymond

Hollabaugh 29.9; 3. Dusty Arrott 32.2; 4. Brand Cude 32.4 The next roping will be Sun., April 30 at 2 p.m.

#### Students in the news

The Registrar's Office of Texas State Technical College at Sweetwater has released the President's Honor Roll for the Winter 1999 Quarter. Students must earn a 4.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale to be recognized on the President's Honor Roll. The following students are recognized for their academic excellence: Aaron Earles and Randall Martin, both of Haskell.

in annual basketball event with a special PIPs dog tag.

Kelsie competed in the Drop Pass, Backward Dribble, Obstacle Course Dribble and the Between competed in the Obstacle Course Dribble and Figure 8 Dribble.

Travis placed 2nd in the Between Legs Pass. Weston placed

1st in PIP shots and 2nd in the Obstacle Speed Dribble. Travis and Weston also placed 1st in their duo, where they demonstrated their ball handling skills to music.

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The kids had a fun weekend of competing and making new friends They all came back encouraged and challenged to work to improve their ball handling skills.



PLAYERS IN PROGRESS-Five Haskell youngsters participating in the annual PIPS Festival in Abilene were: front, I-r, Ashton Rutkowski, Kelsi Adams and Paige Adams. Back, Travis Adams and Weston Rutkowski.

Haskell PIPs participate

March 10 and 11 five members

of the Haskell PIPs (Players in

Progress) participated in the 9th

halftime of high school and college

basketball games. The Haskell

PIPs group not only performed

during Haskell High basketball

games but also performed at

Hardin-Simmons and Midwestern

Haskell PIPs participating in

the festival were Kelsie Adams,

Paige Adams, Travis Adams,

Ashton Rutkowski and Weston

Rutkowski. Athletes compete

against other athletes their age with

the same number of years

experience in PIPs. Individual

events and Fun Day activities were

held on Friday. Saturday consisted

of group events, individual events,

an awesome presentation by Robyn

Rodgers-a professional ball handler

and a banquet and award ceremony

honoring each athlete. At the

banquet, each athlete was presented

State Universities.

#### annual PIPs Festival held in Legs Pass. Paige placed 4th in the Abilene with over 500 athletes Backward Dribble and 5th in the attending. PIPs is a national group Two Ball Dribble. She also that teaches basketball handling skills. PIPs groups perform during

Commissioner's Court report

Foremost on the agenda at the Haskell County Commissioner's work in progress at the lake property and the further improvements planned for that

Applications for caretaker of the county Anchor lake property were interviewed at length. The court then voted to accept Benny Gibbs as caretaker. The difficulty the county has experienced in keeping caretakers for the property was caused by the impact and effect of past droughts on the use and rentals of lake property. The

commissioners will be working

diligently to see that the lake

property is run in a more efficient

and amenable manner in the future.

out of surplus equipment fron various county storage areas to b offered for the city/school/count auction on April 15 at the Count Show Barn. A surplus used truc and trailer will be donated to the County Fire Department.

Also discussed was a cleaning

A new personnel handbook fo county employees was approved.

A Technical Infrastructure (TIF Grant meeting was held at City Hall last week. The grant wil allow the phone company to put in improved telephone lines so the community can have immediat

Internet access. In a correction of the las commissioner's court meeting report: Bids on a truck for Precinc 1 were not opened as stated, bu only discussed.

# Elect

#### TO THE VOTERS AND CITIZENS OF HASKELL COUNTY:

On April 11, next Tuesday, you will elect the person you want to be Sheriff for the next four years. I believe Haskell County wants and deserves a fresh approach.

In my campaign, I emphasized what you could expect from me as your Sheriff.

My opponent's campaign has been based TOTALLY on his 12 years experience as a deputy.

Please consider the following facts. It is time to put the real issues on the front burner.

ATTITUDE:

I will have a public servant attitude, and will have as TOP PRIORITY serving people, not a narrow focus of "catching and punishing."

I will use good judgement with a fair, equal, consistent application of the law, practicing the Golden Rule. But, at the same time, I WILL BE TOUGH ON PEOPLE WHO ENDANGER YOUR LIVES AND ABUSE YOUR PROPERTY.

TO THE PEOPLE OF O'BRIEN, ROCHESTER, RULE, SAGERTON, AND WEINERT.

I will be Visible and Present for the Entire County. I will not ask you to vote for me and then disappear until the next election.

Repeatedly, you have told me of no response when help was requested. I pledge to you a routine presence and immediate response with qualified people when called, and a determined effort to get positive results.

I have run a professional, clean campaign, and will conduct the affairs of this office in the same manner.

Please go to the polls on April 11. This is the Democratic process. I appreciate your Support.

PD. POL. ADV. PD. FOR BY MRS. EARLENE J. GRIFFITH, CAMPGN. TREAS.

## First Family Spring Revival at First Baptist Church, Haskell

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> > **Noon Services** Mon.~Wed. 12-1 p.m.

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Monday at 6 p.m. Children's Pizza Supper 1st-6th graders



DREAMING FOR THE FUTURE-Paint Creek 4th and 5th grade students who participated in the Mar. 20 National Ag Day celebration to identify future career opportunities were; back, I-r, Leslie Wright, Kathy Phillips, Abel Cisneros, Chris Peyton. Front, Kristen Barr, Kimberly Medford, Harvey Terrell,

## Paint Creek students learn about ag related careers

Students at Paint Creek ISD are discovering the resources required and variety of careers involved in taking a raw food from the field to the consumer. Together,

#### In the Service

Army National Guard Pvt. William D. Smith has entered basic military training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S. C.

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During the eight weeks of training, the soldier will study the Army mission and will receive instructions in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, Army history and traditions and special training in human relations.

The son of Jay Smith of Rochester, Smith is a 1996 graduate of Rochester High School.

classrooms across the nation are joining "America's Largest Classroom on Agriculture" in celebration of National Ag Day, March 20, to identify future career opportunities.

Students at Paint Creek in grades 4 and 5 are creating educational displays about agriculture products grown in the United States. In addition, students are also studying the stages of cotton production.

"America's Largest Classroom

on Agriculture has given us the opportunity to help our students get excited about career possibilities," said Valiene Bullinger, science teacher at Paint Creek. Cherry Pittcock, language arts instructor added, "As part of the national celebration our students were able to enjoy handson activities that helped them not only understand essential concepts in science and language arts, but also over 200 rewarding, diverse and challenging careers.'

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TOP READERS-Students from Haskell Elementary were recognized Mar. 23, at the Haskell CISD board meeting. These 1st and 3rd graders earned top honors in their grade by reading the most books and earning Accelerated Reading points that can be used in the AR Store to buy toys and coupons from local businesses. Back row, I-r, are Brandon Wilson, Megan Bailey, Shay Ramirez and Brittany Baldwin. Front, Dawn Skinner, Nathan Meredith, Codi Beth Foster, Angelica Gonzales and Sara Weise.

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Written By Richard E. Rodgers, CPA



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If you want to motivate or reward your employees, give them a taxfree benefit. The cost of certain benefits that you offer your employees can be nontaxable to them and tax deductible to your business.

With today's tight labor market, offering as many tax-free benefits as your business can afford might also help you hire and retain the workers you need. Some fringe benefits you might want to consider offering your

•Pay your employees' health insurance premiums or reimburse them for medical expenses.

•Pay certain mass transit or parking costs.

•Provide a company car for business use. •Pay the premiums for up to \$50,000 of group term life insurance coverage. Amounts paid for insurance in excess of \$50,000 are taxable to your employees.

•Reimburse new hires for their qualified moving expenses.

•Allow employees to purchase your company's merchandise at a discount. As long as the discount rate doesn't exceed the gross profit percentage on the merchandise, the benefit is free of tax to the employee.

•Provide child or dependent care services to employees as part of a

•Pay for employees' education expenses under an educational assis-

•Give holiday gifts of nominal value. As long as the gifts are not in cash or gift certificates, your employees get a tax-free gift and you get a

Most of these benefits must be provided equally among all your employees. If you discriminate in favor of certain key or highly compensated employees, the benefits could be taxable to them. Also, keep abreast of any changes in the tax law; Congress continues to eye fringe benefits as a source of additional tax revenue.

For a review of the fringe benefits you might want to offer your employees, give us a call.

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800 RELAY-Leslie Grand of Haskell runs a leg of the 800 Meter Relay which the Haskell Varsity Girls team won in the time of Photo by Bill Blankenship 11:47.38, at the Moguls Relays.

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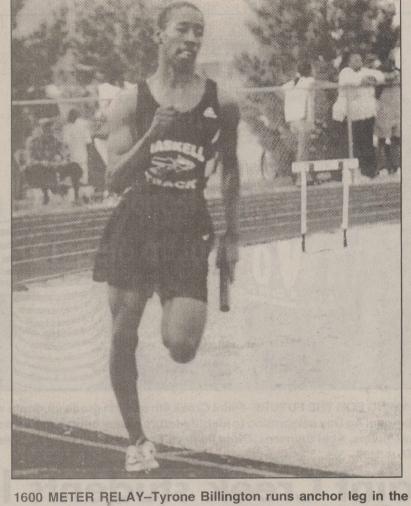
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Munday Mogul Relays. The Haskell Boys Varsity Team won 1st Photo by Bill Blankenship place in the time of 3:27.91.

## Haskell track teams compete in Mogul Relays

Haskell was the only Big Country team to claim victories Sat., March 25, in the Mogul

Billington claimed wins in the 100 and 200 meters and Haskell won the 1,600 relay in the boys division, while Hodge won the 400 meters and the Haskell 800- and

1,600-meter relay teams each claimed blue ribbons.

The Haskell Indians placed third with 91 points and the Maidens took second place with 90 points. The JV boys placed third in the JV

Boys Pole vault: 3. Patton, Haskell,

400 meter relay: 3. Haskell, 800 meter dash: 3. Garcia,

Haskell, 2:08.15. 110 meter hurdles: 4. Cunningham, Haskell, 16.31.

100 meter dash: 1. Billington, Haskell, 10.94. 400 meter dash: 2. Martinez, Haskell, 52.52.

300 meter hurdles: 2. Everett, Haskell, 41.84.

200 meter dash: 1. Billington, Haskell, 22.40. 1,600 meter dash: 3. Garcia,

Haskell, 4:49.43. 1,600 meter relay: 1. Haskell,

Girls High Jump: 5. Lindsey,

Shot put: 2. Buerger, Haskell, 32-5. 3. Andress, Haskell, 32-1. 400 meter relay: 4. Haskell,

800 meter relay: 1. Haskell, 1:47.38.

400 meter dash: 1. Hodge, Haskell, 1:03.76. 3. Lindsey, Haskell, 1:05.34 5. Lindsey, Haskell, 1:07.34

200 meter dash: 2. Wallace, Haskell, 28.05. 1,600 meter relay: 1. Haskell,

JV Boys

Pole vault: 3. Eubank, Haskell, 8' 0"

400 meter relay: 2. Haskell, 47.27

800 meter dash: 1. Sanchez, Haskell, 2:14.80 200 meter dash: 1. Howeth,

Haskell, 24.11 1600 meter run: 2. McGuire, Haskell, 5:32.78 4. Pena, Haskell, 5:40.79

1600 meter relay: 1. Haskell, 3:47.45

3200 meter run: 1. Pena, Haskell, 11:49.78 3. McGuire, Haskell, 12: 20.05

## Rule, Rochester track teams compete at Jayton March 24

Rule and Rochester track teams participated in the Rolling Plains Relays held Fri., March 24, in Jayton. Rule boys placed second with 94 1/2 points and Rochester boys placed ninth with 26 points.

Boys Triple jump: 1. Gonzales, Rochester, 40-3 1/2.

Shot put: 1. Casey, Rule, 44-6. Long jump: 3. Gonzales, Rochester, 19-4.

Discus: 3. Casey, Rule, 126-3. 400 relay: 2. Rule 45.66. 110 hurdles: 3. Parks, Rochester, 17.3.

400: 2. Lehrmann, Rule, 52.12. 300 hurdles: 1. Harvey, Rule,

1,600: 3. Hisey, Rule, 4:34.08. 1,600 relay: 1. Rule 3:37.90. Girls

3,200: 2. Garcia, Rochester,

## Compare the Two Candidates and their **Priorities for Haskell County Sheriff**

#### Dan Griffith

Committed to better service through quicker responses and follow-up calls

Calls for better cooperation among all Law enforcement agencies

Supports improving the professional work standards of the department

Intends to hire bilingual staff member

Certified Peace Officer Training conducted at and by West Texas Law Enforcement Academy at no cost to the county

Up-to-date training in current laws and crime fighting techniques

Used personal vehicle to campaign

Business experience managing budgets and expenses

College degree

Veteran, Officer, U. S. Army

Married 38 years, three children

**Priorities** 

Satisfied with current performance

Satisfied with status quo

No change planned

Position unknown

**Training** 

Peace officer training taught at Rule city hall by two deputies

Training received 15 years ago

**Campaign Practices** 

Used county vehicle to campaign

**Business Experience** None

Education High School diploma

Veteran, U. S. Army

Family

Married 33 years, three children

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## The Jubilee Boys

gospel quartet will perform Sun., April 16 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome!

Haskell Church of Christ

## Bobwhite Brigade seeks recruits

Haskell Co. Extension Agent The Bobwhite Brigade Wildlife

Camps are seeking top high school recruits for its quail camps this summer. There are three camps held in Texas; Rolling Plains (June 25-29) at Lueders, South Texas (July 16-20) at Camp Bellton and East Texas (July 23-27) at Broaddus. The Bobwhite Brigade offers a hands-on learning experience for Texas youth interested in the outdoors.

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Each camp offers a 4-day curriculum designed to make quail experts of its members. Cadets are given intensive training on quail biology and management by leading Texas wildlife biologists and managers. After graduation. each member is expected to present educational programs in his or her

"Camp graduates consistently rate the Brigade as the best youth camp they've ever attended," said Dr. Dale Rollins, San Angelo-

based Extension wildlife specialist and originator of the Bobwhite Brigade concept. He reports, "Most return home from the hardest week of work they've ever been through, then work through the coming year for the chance to return as assistant

counselors.' Rollins said no matter what the cadets' future career choice is, it is important that they develop the ability to think, plan and present their ideas to others. A major component of the Brigade involves developing the communication skills necessary to tell others about wildlife conservation and management. To that end, cadets are taught to write news releases, present educational programs and to present themselves on television

Though the Texas Agricultural Extension Service is a major camp sponsor, applicants are not limited to Extension's 4-H youth program. Any high school age (sophomore through senior) student with at

eligible.

Prospective applicants should contact their local county Extension office for the necessary paperwork or write: Bobwhite Brigade, 3427 Northeast Parkway, San Antonio, Texas 78218 or call Helen Holdsworth at (210) 467-6575 or 6578. Or Haskell County youth can contact Brandon Anderson, County Extension Agent-Ag. at (940) 864-2658, Lou Gilly, County Extension Agent-FCS at (940) 864-2546 or go by the Haskell County Extension Office located at 101 South Ave. D, in Haskell for more information.

You may apply via the Internet and obtain additional information on the Bobwhite Brigade at http://texnat.tamu.edu and click on the Bobwhite Brigade logo.

All applications must be received by April 15. Applicants will be evaluated by a steering committee in late April. The committee will select 30 cadets and two alternates for each camp. Successful applicants will be notified soon after the selection

Cadets are encouraged to solicit all or part of the tuition fee from the local Soil and Water Conservation District, bank, civic group, or any conservation organization. The Bobwhite Brigade will help locate sponsors if requested. The cost of the tuition covers meals, lodging and supplies.



KIDS PEDAL PULL-Wearing their winning ribbons, contestants in the Tractor Pull Contest pose for a picture during the Haskell Volunteer Fire Department Car Show, Mar. 18-19.

## VRJC announces new scholarship for Haskell High graduate

A new \$500 scholarship, which will be awarded annually to a Haskell High School graduate, has been established at Vernon Regional Junior College. Bob and Anna Wright, long-time benefactors of VRJC, established the scholarship as a challenge to a person or organization to match the scholarship donation so that two \$500 scholarships would be available for HHS students

The interest from the endowed scholarship principal of \$10,000, which the Wrights donated, will fund the \$500 scholarship annually. The Bob and Anna Wright Scholarship may be used at the Vernon campus or at the three Wichita Falls centers or for the Seymour nursing program.

April 15 is the deadline for applying for the scholarship. Scholarship application forms are available at the HHS counselor's office. Students should specify on the scholarship application that

they are applying for the Bob and Anna Wright Scholarship for Haskell. Students who submit applications will also be considered for other VRJC scholarships.

The recipient will be selected by the VRJC Scholarship Committee after the April 15 deadline so that the scholarship award can be announced at HHS's annual awards assembly/graduation ceremony.

The recipient must be a Haskell High School graduate with the Class of 2000, have a B average and have demonstrated leadership qualities. The recipient must enroll full-time in college-level classes (non-remedial) at VRJC each semester following graduation to receive this scholarship.

The \$500 scholarship will be divided equally between semesters starting in August after graduation and finishing in May.

For more information, contact the VRJC Director of Financial Aid Melissa Elliott at (940) 552-6291 ext. 2206.

#### **Jackpot Roping Results**

Results of Haskell Roping Club roping held Sun., March 26 are:

B-Roping: Round 1: 1. Danny Collett 2. Fred Barrett 3. Jay Hurt and Kenny Spitzer tied for third.

Round 2: 1. Tyke Salazar 2. Fred Barrett 3. Calvin Steen Round 3: 1. Tyke Salazar 2.

Fred Barrett 3. Shy Flow Average winners were: 1. Fred

Barrett 2. Tyke Salazar 3. Jim

Open Roping: Round 1: Raymond Hollabaugh 2. Fred Hernandez 3. Houston Hutton 4. Todd Spitzer

Round 2: 1. Jim Locke 2. Tyke

Salazar 3. Raymond Hollabaugh 4.

Cliff Kirkpatrick Round 3: 1. Fred Hernandez 2. Tyke Salazar 3. Houston Hutton 4. Cliff Kirkpatrick

Average winners were: 1. Fred Hernandez 2. Jim Locke 3. Tyke Salazar 4. Rusty Miller and Raymond Hollabaugh tied for fourth.

> Welcome Firemen

#### **EMBELLISHMENTS** Spring Fling!

Tuesday, April 11 ~ 4:30-7 p.m. Home of Bonnie Fouts, 215 Addison Dr., Haskell

Refreshments will be served and door prizes given. Come visit and view new merchandise for Easter, Mother's Day, Graduation gift ideas, and new spring decor.

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LAND JUDGES-Winning 2nd place at the Jack County Land and Range Contest, the Haskell team, I-r, John M. Hodgin, Omar Payan, Leon Goudeau and Angel Pena, holds the pennant they won for Land Judging. Twenty-six teams participated in the contest. Photo by Bill Blankenship

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

Monday, April 10 Lunch-Meat loaf, potatoes, Harvard beets, cabbage slaw, peaches, bread, milk, tea or coffee

Wednesday, April 12 11:00 a.m. Outreach Health Services blood pressure check

Lunch-Hamburgers, tator tots, pinto beans, fruit cobbler, milk, tea or coffee

Friday, April 14 11:00 a.m. Texas State Hearing

Lunch-Swiss steak, potatoes, green beans, tossed salad, brownies, bread, milk, tea or coffee April 9-15 is National Volunteer

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

RECEPTION PLANNED-Wimon and Rosalinda Walker, pictured with their children, Marcella, Marissa and Martin, will be honored by family and friends with a welcome home reception at the First National Bank, Sat., April 8, 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. The Walkers have spent the past fifteen years as missionaries for the Church of Christ in Batswana, Africa. Rosalinda is the granddaughter of Myrtle and John Therwhanger of Haskell, and the daughter of Lola and F. D. Williams of Bertram.

Haskell School Menu

School.

applesauce

chocolate cake

cream

strawberry dessert

and assorted drinks are served daily

at the High School. Milk and juice

are served daily at the Elementary

Monday: Corndog, macaroni &

cheese, pork n beans, pickle spears,

Tuesday: Pizza, seasoned corn,

vegetable sticks/dip, apple wedges

sliced pears, peanut butter/crackers

Thursday: Chicken spaghetti,

seasoned green beans, hot rolls,

Friday: Hamburger, French fries,

hamburger trimmings, orange

Thursday: Ham or tuna

sandwiches, chips, pea salad,

Friday: Hamburgers with

trimmings, fries, pork-n-beans, ice

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Wednesday: Beef & vegetable stew, grilled cheese sandwich,

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## This Week's Devotional Message:



#### FAITH SAYS OUR ONLY REAL WEALTH IS OUR LOVED ONES

It's a deadline each year that will always appear, For supporting the needs of our nation. That unmerciful day, we're required to pay; A procedure that's known as taxation. The more money we earn and the more we return Make it seem like a terrible racket, For by working too hard we will then disregard Our attaining a loftier bracket; So it's foolish indeed to get more than we need, In our efforts at wealth without measure; Let's abandon our climb and begin to spend time

With our loved ones, our only real treasure.

#### 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, Haskel 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.

Paint Creek ·--WEINERT--First Baptist Church

Joel Rister, pastor Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 7 p.m. Weinert

Weinert Foursquare Church Rev. Robert Harrison Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m. Weinert

> ·--ROCHESTER--Church of Christ

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

Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m. 500 Main, Rochester Union Chapel Baptist Church

Rochester

Rev. Clarence Walker Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. Faith Chapel of Rochester Katherine Byrd, minister Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m. Hwy 6, Rochester First United Methodist Church Dolan Brinson, pastor

Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

Rochester

---SAGERTON---Sagerton Methodist Church Tommy Wilson, pastor

Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m. Sagerton

Faith Lutheran Church Stan Leaf, 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 West Bethal Baptist Church

Rev. Robert Sweet Sun. Morn. 10 a.., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m. 300 Sunny Ave., Rule

#### Tuesday: Corn dogs, tater tots, April 10-14 macaroni salad, pudding Breakfast Milk and juice are served daily. Wednesday: Lasagna, salad, corn. crackers, carrot stix, peaches

Paint Creek School Menu

April 10-14

Breakfast

Juice or fruit and milk are served

daily on the breakfast menu. Cereal

Tuesday: Eggs/sausage, buttered

Wednesday: Blueberry muffins

Friday: Cheese toast

Thursday: Biscuits/gravy,

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. Snack bar

Wednesday only-Secondary. Milk

Monday: Buttered toast/jelly

offered daily

Monday: Toast and jelly Tuesday: Waffles Wednesday: Biscuits & gravy Thursday: Cereal Friday: Donuts

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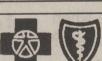
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#### **Public Notices**

NOTICE

To the Citizens of Weinert: The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) sets drinking water standards and has determined that nitrate poses an acute health concern at certain levels of exposure. Nitrate is used in fertilizer and is found in sewage and wastes from human and/or farm animals and generally gets into drinking water from those activities.

Excessive levels of nitrate in drinking water have caused serious illness and sometimes death in infants under six months of age. The serious illness in infants is caused because nitrate is converted to nitrite in the body. Nitrite interferes with the oxygen carrying capacity of the child's blood. This is an acute disease in that symptoms can develop rapidly in infants. In most cases, health deteriorates over a period of days.

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these symptoms occur. The purpose of this notice is to encourage parents and other responsible parties to provide infants with an alternate source of drinking water. Local and State health authorities are the best source for information concerning alternate sources of drinking water for infants.

TNRCC has set the drinking water standard at 10 parts per million (ppm) for nitrate to protect against the risk of these adverse effects. TNRCC has also set a drinking water standard for nitrite at 1 ppm. To allow for the fact that the toxicity of nitrate and nitrite are additive, TNRCC has also established a standard for the sum of nitrate and nitrite at 10 ppm. Drinking water that meets the TNRCC standard is associated with little to none of this risk and is considered safe with respect to nitrate. 14c

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION (Aviso de Eleccion General)

To the Registered Voters of the City of Haskell, Texas; (A los votantes registrados del

Ciudad de Haskell, Texas;) Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 6th, 2000, for voting in a general election to elect 1 Mayor and 2 Aldermen. (Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 6 de mayo de 2000 para votar en al Eleccion General para

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#### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for highway improvement contracts will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read. CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE CONTRACT(S)

Contract 0908-22-006 for REPL BRIDGE AND AP-PROACHES in HASKELL County, etc. will be opened on May 3,

2000 at 1:00 p.m. at the State Office.

Contract 6055-39-001 for THERMOPLASTIC STRIPING/ RAISED PAVEMENT MARKERS in TAYLOR County, etc. will be opened on May 4, 2000 at 1:00 p.m. at the State Office for an estimate of \$824,998.02.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or District Offices listed below. Bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available at reproduction companies in Austin, Texas at the expense of the contractor.

NPO:102

State Office: Construction Division, 200 E. Riverside Dr., Austin, Texas 78704. Phone 512-416-2540.

District Office(s): Abilene District, District Engineer, 5250 N. Clack, Abilene, Texas 79603. Phone 915-676-6800.

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.



TOPS IN MATH AND SCIENCE-Placing in the top ten at the Texas Math and Science Coaches Association state meet were Haskell students, I-r, Keli Jo McCarty, Tom Fouts and Sydney Brueggeman. Not pictured is Jimmy Huff. Photo by Kis

## Don Thompson retires from TxDOT

technician in the Haskell County maintenance section, has retired from the Texas Department of Transportation following a 26-year

Thompson had been employed in the Haskell office since joining TxDOT in September 1973. During the years, he worked as a truck driver, equipment operator and on routine roadway maintenance crews. Prior to signing on with TxDOT, Thompson was a farmhand as well as a grocery store employee.

A 1964 graduate of Mattson High School, he is married to the former Caren Haynes of Haskell. They have one daughter, Jessica, a senior at Haskell High School.

Thompson is a member of the East Side Baptist Church and the Texas Public Employees

were. Thompson said he planned to fish and work part time.



DON THOMPSON

## Hudspeth

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held Friday night, June 2. Texas high school football legend and Hall of Fame coach Gordon Wood, of Brownwood, will be on hand to present "Most Valuable Player Awards," named in his honor, to the two top players

in the game. Hudspeth is the son of Teresa and Paul Hudspeth and grandson of Donna and Clois Thomas.

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## Haskell students win math and science awards

Haskell High School math and in 11th grade Calculator. science students Keli Jo McCarty, Tom Fouts and Sydney Brueggeman earned trophies for their efforts at the Texas Math and Science Coaches Association State Meet held Mar. 18 at the University of Texas at San Antonio.

McCartey placed second in 9th grade Science, and Fouts placed 3rd Brueggeman placed 2nd in 9th grade Calculator and 3rd in 9th grade Mathematics.

Other Haskell top ten winners in the state meet include McCartey with a 10th place finish in 9th grade Mathematics, and Jimmy Huff, who earned a 6th place finish in 11th grade Science.

## City Council report

Topping the agenda of the Haskell City Council meeting, Mar. 27, was a vote to accept a bid made by the Haskell County Insurance Company to cover city properties. Chan Guess of that agency recommended a few additions to make city insurance protection more adequate.

The Council also voted to increase charges for city telephone right-of-way. This will mean an increase of approximately 59 cents a month for residential access line, which is still below the state

Approved by the Council was a raise in city utility rates outside the city limits. Rates will be increased a total of \$10.00 per month: \$4.00 each on water and garbage, and \$2.00 on sewage.

Approval was given to proceed on a grant project by the TCDP, Texas Community Development

City attorney, Shane Hadaway reported that he is continuing to work to see that compliance is met regarding derelict and unsafe properties within the city. At the next meeting, the Council will decide what steps should be taken regarding those who have not

Work was reported in progress on the construction of the new pavilion and facilities at the city

Announcement was made of the April 15 auction of combined surplus property from the city, school and county

## Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 628 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., April 1, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

Short run because of rain. Stocker cows and pairs 10-40

Jerseys, longhorns, Holsteins, out cattle and goons \$5-30/100# less than figures quoted. 100 blk cows, 1/2 with calves

next week Cows: fat, .38-.44; cutters, .39-

.46; canners, .12-.28. Bulls: bologna, .46-.58; feeder,

.64-.76; utility .42-.47.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.25-1.50; 300-400 lbs., 1.10-1.38; 400-500 lbs., .95-1.18; 500-600 lbs., .85-1;10; 600-700 lbs., .83-.98; 700-

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800 lbs., .80-.87; 800-up lbs., .73-

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.10-1.35; 300-400 lbs., 1.00-1.18; 400-500 lbs., .90-1.08; 500-600 lbs., .82-.94; 600-up lbs., .62-.82.

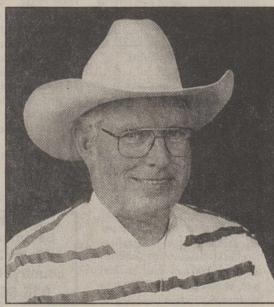
Bred Heifers: medium frame,

Bred Cows: young to middle aged, 650-800; aged or small, 525-

Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, 725-840; aged or small, 650-

> All deadlines are 5 p.m. on Monday.

## VOTE HALLIBURTON



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I am not certain my opponent understands the full meaning of the Sheriff and his duties. The Sheriff is the Chief Law Enforcement Officer in the County. He has the responsibility of the jail. He has to make decisions that reflect on the department and jail. Each situation that he answers or sends a deputy to answer is different. You never know what will take place when answering disturbance calls. Are they armed? with what? Gun, knife, etc.?

What is going to happen when the officer arrives? Experience in handling these types of situations only comes from "on the job training." This gives you experience you need for this job.

I will be a working Sheriff, taking care of administrative duties, as well as assisting my deputies in investigations; answering calls in the County; backing-up other agencies. You never know when you leave home, if you will come back safe.

It takes dedication and determination to be a peace officer. Not everyone is made to do this type of work. Your family has to back you. The citizens of Haskell County are fortunate to have this type of peace officers working for them. These same officers put their trust in me as I have put my life in their hands, also. We all work together and I hope that as citizens of Haskell County that you will also put that same trust in me and elect me as your Sheriff.

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Claire and I have been married for 33 years. We have three grown sons, James and wife, Bianca; Jason and Justin and one special grandson, Ty. We are members of the Church of Christ in Rule.

I served 3 years in the U. S. Army and am a veteran of Vietnam. I was stationed in Ft. Polk, LA., Ft. Sill, OK., Ft. Knox, KY., Fulda, Germany, Bearlat, Vietnam and Dong Tam, Vietnam.

Sheriff of Haskell County is April 11, 2000.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION AND YOUR VOTE! DAVID HALLIBURTON** 

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