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at Rule

Rule Bobcats vs. Paint Creek

Fri., Nov. 10, 7:30 p.m. at Rule

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Tues., Nov. 14, 4 p.m. at Haskell

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Jayton (Scrimmage)

Sat., Nov. 11 at Asperment

Paint Creek vs. Lueders-Avoca

Tues., Nov. 14, 5 p.m. at Paint Creek

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CUBS AND INDIANS-Haskell's running back #45 Justin Tidrow protects the ball in an attempt to gain some yards during the

Indian's foggy Friday night encounter with the 5th-ranked Olney Cubs at Indian Field. Olney won 46-0. Photo by Bill Blankenship

Kids Club reaches out to local children

By Mary Kaigler

The large group of exuberant youngsters came into the Haskell First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall for refreshments Tues., Oct. 24, just as they had each Tuesday afternoon after school since Kids Club began, Aug. 15. It marked the end of an eleven week session, which saw a weekly average of 40 to 45 kids attending the fast paced program of fun activities and learning about God through stories, hands-on crafts, games and music.

This day, after weeks of studies centered around each aspect of the story of Creation, (light, water, land, plants, animals and birds and the first man and woman), they would learn about how Adam and Eve were sent from their beautiful Garden of Eden because of disobeying God. Young eyes were wide when they visited the colorful "Garden Room," built as a group project over the weeks, to find an 'angel", (AKA Kathryn Medford), guarding the entry.

Medical fund established for Harvey

A fund to help defray medical expenses has been established at the Rule Banking Center in Rule for Jody Harvey and his family.

Harvey, a former Rule High School and Lueders-Avoca High School athlete, was critically injured in a car wreck in Lubbock Sat., Oct. 28. He has undergone extensive surgery to repair broken bones in his pelvis and broken lower back.

At the time of the accident he was a student at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview. He is in the Intensive Care Unit of Texas Tech's University Medical Center in Lubbock.

Picked up at the Elementary School in the church van, the group arrives at the church building about 3:15 each Tuesday, ready for the after school snacks provided and served by a number of church ladies each week. This is followed by an active outdoor game time.

Divided into two groups, preschool, kindergarten, first and second graders in one, and third, fourth, fifth and sixth graders in the other, they go to story time taught by alternating volunteer teachers. Judy Patton, Darlene Hopkins, Marijane Cunningham, Christi Stapleton, Cathy Bartley, Renee McClellan, Doris May Watson and

Valiene Bullinger. After a time for projects and crafts, all the groups assemble in the sanctuary for a session of lively singing, with music provided by Nelda Lane. On this last day parents were invited by the children to join them in the closing singing session and to visit their Garden

Kids Club was designed and started by the local church to establish a special outreach ministry to children. It evolved from a seminar held in Abilene early last summer, attended by Rev. Shane Brue, church pastor, and Cathy Bartley, children's

coordinator. "Jesus had a special ministry with children, and we believe we should too," Rev. Brue said. "Sometimes Sunday morning may not be the best time to minister to children. Certainly it is not the only time. We looked for a nontraditional time in a format similar to vacation Bible school, yet in a sustained, extended time frame. We want to offer kids the opportunity to learn that they can have fun at church, while learning more about God, meeting Jesus through the stories and learning that there are people here who love

To make the opportunity open to as many community children as possible, a brochure with an invitation was mailed to every

Elementary School student. About 35 to 40 attended the first week, with a high of 60 coming the second week. "Some were our own church kids, some were from other churches and some were kids who don't attend any church;" Rev. Brue said of those who came to enjoy the after-school activities.

On Wednesday afternoons for the last eleven weeks, the Rule United Methodist Church, which Rev. Shane Brue also pastors, has offered Kids Club to elementary children there. Mirroring the same curriculum established by the Haskell planners, they too have had a good turnout of kids at club.

The project necessarily requires

the help of many individuals from both Methodist congregations volunteering their time, energy and resources.

"I'm proud of both churches," the pastor said. "They took up the challenge and stepped up to the plate to put together a successful program and ministry of love to the children of their communities."

When the next school term session of Kids Club begins again in the early spring, with a ten to twelve week program of afterschool activities, it will be planned around a different biblical theme. Judging from the enthusiasm shown by the kids attending the last weekly session, it won't lack for eager club members.

Undefeated Olney downs Haskell 46-0

Playing on a wet field, something rarely seen at Indian Field in the past two seasons, the District 8-2A 5th-ranked Olney Cubs defeated the Haskell Indians 46-0 in a cool, wet environment. Coming into the district encounter averaging 44.5 points per game, the Cubs left averaging 44.6 points per game. Standing at 9-0 for the season. Olney is by far the best team the Indians have faced this

The Cubs hit the scoreboard at the 8:23 mark in the 1st quarter, when running back. Mace McClatchey scored on a 6-yard run. The PAT kick by Matt Langford was good. Olney's quarterback Steven Hinson scored on a 5-yard run with 7:37 left in the 1st quarter. Langford again kicked the

With only 3:47 left in the 2nd quarter. Olney's running back Adam Heard scored on a 12-yard run. The PAT failed, With time running out in the 1st half, Olney's quarterback Hinson scored his second TD on a 3-yard run. The 2-point conversion was good on a pass from Hinson to Mace McClatchey. The score was 28-0 in favor of Olney at the half.

Showing why they are the 5thranked team in the state, Olney scored quickly in the 3rd quarter. At the 10:59 mark, Hinson hit fleet-footed Chase Pratt on a 73yard TD pass. Langford again kicked the PAT.

Joey Brown, another talented running back for the Cubs, scored on a 20-yard run with 3:56 left in the 3rd quarter. Brian Hampton caught the 2 point conversion pass from Langford.

Striving to get to their average scoring. Olney got on the scoreboard one more time. Langford kicked a 47-yard field goal with 3:31 to go in the game.

Haskell's tailback Adam Diaz had 15 yards on 7 carries, while fullback Dustin Threet had 52 yards on 17 carries in the game. Threet now has 883 yards in 9 games.

Olney is undefeated at 9-0 for the season and 4-0 in District play. Haskell is 3-6 for the season and is 1-3 in 8-2A play.

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KIDS CLUB-After having snacks and playing games outside, some of the pre-school through second grade group of youngsters enjoying activities of the Kids Club at Haskell First United Methodist Church, Tues., afternoon, Oct. 24, listen as teacher Judy Patton tells the story of Adam and Eve having to leave the beautiful Garden of Eden God created for them.

Indians

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The Indians will travel to Hamlin Friday for their final game of regular season play. The playoff picture still looms over each of these two teams. A win is of most importance to remain playing in post season.

The 7th grade Warriors played to a 22-22 tie with the young Cubs, while the 8th grade was tailing 6-0

at half-time when their game was called due to weather. The JV game was cancelled because of weather conditions.

The Indian JV team will play their last game Thursday against Hamlin here at Indian Field. Kickoff is at 6:00 p.m.

The Varsity kick-off is at 7:30

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Immunizations

The Texas Dept. of Health in Stamford will hold an immunization clinic Thurs., Nov. 16 at the American Legion Hall in Haskell. Clinic times are 10 a.m. to 11:30 and 1 to 3 p.m. For more information, call 915-773-5681. No flu shots.

Pizza sale

The Paint Creek Seniors are selling Little Caesar's pizza kits. To order contact Cara Thomasson at 864-6158 and you will be given the name of a senior to contact. Proceeds benefit the senior trip.

Rule Booster Club

The Rule Booster Club will meet Thurs., Nov. 9 after the Jr. High basketball game (approximately 8 p.m.). The Jr. High basketball teams will be introduced.

Art Association

The Brazos West Art Association will meet Mon., Nov. 13 at 7 p.m. in the Haskell National Bank Community Room. Featured artist will be Ruth Jackson of Abilene who is well-known for her lovely watercolor art.

Retired Teachers

The Haskell Co. Retired Teachers will meet Wed., Nov. 15 at noon at Burkett's Family Restaurant. This is the last meeting this fall.

Obituaries

Fadwa Saab Hassen



FADWA SAAB HASSEN

Funeral services for Fadwa Saab Hassen, 90, of Haskell were held Wed., Nov. 8 at First United Methodist Church in Haskell with Rev. Shane Brue officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Direc-

Mrs. Hassen died Sun., Nov. 5 in Haskell.

Born in 1910 in Shweifat, Lebanon (a suburb of Beirut), she was the widow of Shahir Hassen. She was the owner of Hassen's Department Store in Haskell for many years. She was a

Sue Merchant Graveside services for Sue Merchant, 68, of Odessa She was preceded in death by a son, Alan Keith Merwere held Mon., Nov. 6 at Willow Cemetery in Haskell

Mrs. Merchant died Fri., Nov. 3 at Odessa Medical

with Rev. Don Palmer of Odessa officiating. Services were

under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Direc-

Center Hospital. Born April 15, 1932 in Erath County, she was the daughter of the late Alvin and Ufama Tanner. She married H. C. 'Cleo' Merchant May 7, 1949 in Ranger. She has lived the last 20 years in the Odessa area. She was a chant.

Church.

member of the Business and Profes-

sional Women's Club, the Progres-

sive Study Club, the Magazine Club

and the First United Methodist

She was preceded in death by her

beloved son, Raja Shahir Hassen, two

Survivors include one daughter

and son-in-law, Nabeela Hassen

David and Edward K. David of

Roswell, N.M.; two grandchildren, Camille David of Dallas and Edward

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brothers and one sister.

Nabeel David of Roswell.

Survivors include her husband, H. C. 'Cleo' Merchant of Odessa; one son, Dennis Wayne Merchant of Amarillo; one daughter, Selena Paulette Wood of Lovington, N.M.; two brothers, A. J. Tanner of Ranger and W. A. Tanner of Dumas; two sisters, Joy Honea of Ranger and Mickey Baggett of Graford; six grandchildren, Stacy Williams, Alan Wayne Merchant, Aaron Merchant Nauert, Nathan Nauert, Jody Glenn Wood and Stewart Wood; and two great-grandchildren, Rusty Rogers and Kelsey Smith.

Selma L. Terrell

Funeral services for Selma L. Terrell, 94, of Stamford, formerly of Haskell County, were held Tues., Nov. 7 at First Baptist Church in Stamford with Rev. Truett Kuenstler and Rev. T. C. Melton officiating. Burial was in Highland Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Kinney Funeral Home of Stamford.

Mrs. Terrell died Sun., Nov. 5 in a Stamford nursing home

Born March 13, 1906 in Jones County, she was the daughter of William T. and Lannie Frances Yates West. She married Harvey Lee Terrell Nov. 29, 1924 in Haskell County. He preceded her in death Jan. 16, 1973. She was a homemaker and a lifetime resident of Jones and Haskell counties. She was a thirty-year member of the First Baptist Church and attended the Willing Workers Sunday

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; one son, Edwin Lee Terrell; one daughter, Helen Joyce Howard; four brothers and five sisters.

Survivors include one daughter, Rowena Seth of Midland; two sons and daughters-in-law, Jerry and Barbara Terrell of Stamford and Lloyd and Rudean Terrell of Seagraves; 15 grandchildren; 34 great grandchildren; 11 great great grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews and a host of friends.

Pallbearers were grandsons: Terry Seth, Scott Seth, Gary Seth, Douglas Terrell, Michael Terrell, Ricky Terrell, Eric Howard and Brent Howard.

Memorials may be sent to the American Heart Association, West Texas Rehabilitation Center or First Baptist

Drought report reveals extensive farm losses

A Drought Report developed from a statewide survey of Farm Service Agency County Offices reveals extensive row crop, pasture/hayland and livestock losses in each of Texas 254 counties. Extended periods of extreme heat compounded losses in 223 counties. Crop year 2000 marks the fourth consecutive drought year for much of Texas. The report reflects areas of the state hit harder than others, but no single region was unaffected by or immune to the effects of the droughts.

'Although recent rain has been received throughout the state, the damage done by the drought is irreversible. Predicted above average rainfall for fall 2000 will not alleviate the current precipitation deficit," according to

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State Executive Director, Wayland Shurley of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Farm Service Crop condition date received by

FSA indicated 53% of the state's wheat acres, 42% of cotton, 35% of sorghum, 4.9% of corn and 81% of peanuts failed. Statewide, corn was the only exception to the widespread losses. Texas' corn acres were either harvested or matured to the extent that the dry conditions did not adversely impact the crop. Additionally, livestock and pasture losses were recorded in 207 counties, with many counties indicating higher than normal culling and in some cases, liquidation of entire operations.

"The resulting economic hardship felt by Texas farmers and ranchers has been devastating," said Shurley. "FSA's report showed approximately 136,000 producers with 30 percent or greater losses and 15,000 producers who will have difficulty meeting their financial needs through commercial lenders. USDA and FSA are doing all we can to provide programs and lending opportunities to producers in an attempt to life some of the financial strain inflicted by the drought," he said.

To date, 24 counties have received primary disaster declarations for the 2000 drought and an additional 39 counties have received contiguous declarations. "Although these numbers are

substantial, I do not feel the list is complete or adequately mirrors the needs of counties that have not yet received disaster declarations," said Shurley. Damage Assessment Reports have been requested from 44 additional counties and are pending review for eligibility for Secretarial Disaster Designations. Disaster declarations provide farmers and ranchers with low interest emergency loan assistance. This year, the declarations will be a key factor for providing assistance to livestock producers who suffered grazing losses.

FSA's survey also indicated 39 counties where agricultural businesses are feeling the effects of the lack of production and depressed commodity prices, a statistic that is vital considering agriculture is the second largest industry in Texas. Losses suffered by the state's farmers and ranchers have a severe impact on Texas' entire economy

Fortunately, President Clinton recently signed the farm spending bill for 2001 which provides for approximately \$3.5 billion it disaster aid for agriculture losses nationwide. Texas farmers and ranchers will benefit from provisions that specifically allocate. monies for crop loss payments, dairy market loss payments and livestock assistance. For more information on the farm spending bill, visit the USDA World Wide Web site http://www.fsa.usda.gov.

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Wednesday, November 15 • 7 p.m. • School Auditorium

On Nov. 15, Horsemen for Christ will present an all school assembly for Haskell Junior High and High School on the effects of sex, drugs and alcohol. This program will be testimonial and motivational to help them in the struggle to make right choices. However, the assembly during the day will be secular in presentation. That Wednesday night, all students are invited back to the school auditorium where Joe Howard Williamson and his wife, Founders of Horsemen for Christ, will share their testimony and give students an opportunity to respond to Jesus Christ.

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Tired of the same old baked turkey at Thanksgiving every year? With this holiday right around the corner, Dr. Sarah Birkhold, poultry specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, said deep-frying your turkey may be one alternative.

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First, she said, choose your bird. A high quality 8- to 11-pound turkey is ideal for deep-frying, or chickens or quail can also be

"You can deep fry just about anything," she said.

The most important point to remember is to remove the giblets - located under the flap of skin at the front of the turkey - from the body cavity before cooking, she said. Trim the skin flap to allow good oil flow through

Equipment needed is a propane burner and a cooking pot large enough to hold the turkey and oil. The amount of cooking oil depends on the size of the pot. A wire basket for the fryer, or a wire wrapped around the legs and a dowel, will help with the removal of the bird after cooking.

"As far as seasonings, you can use whatever you like. Anything from making your own to buying the seasons is fine," Birkhold said.

A heavy rub can be applied to the bird, both inside and outside.

Marinades also can be injected into the muscle before cooking.

When cooking, oil should be heated to 375-390 degrees F before lowering the bird into it. Once the bird is immersed, the oil temperature should drop to 350 degrees.

"You can use a thermometer to get the temperature right," she said.

Also, using a timer will help ensure the turkey is done. A turkey should fry 3.5 minutes per pound. For example, a 10-pound bird will need to be cooked for 35 minutes at 358 degrees F. If the oil gets to 375 degrees F., cooking time may be reduced to 2.5 to 3 minutes per pound, she added.

"If you cook this right, it won't be greasy," Birkhold said.

Birkhold had a few words of caution going out to anyone using the frying method of cooking.

"When preparing food in hot oil, particular attention should be paid," she said. Adults should be careful to avoid spilling or splashing the oil onto themselves or others. Children and pets should not be allowed near the hot oil.

When cooking is complete, carefully remove the bird from the oil and drain on a clean platter. When carving meat, make certain is is completely cooked. All juices should run clear, with no blood.

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Teeth grinding can cause headaches

If you wake up with a headache, it may be because of something you're doing in your sleep.

You've heard of sleepwalking. But have you heard about sleep grinding? If you have a sore or tense jaw in the morning, or if you have a lot of headaches that center on your temples, you may be grinding or clenching your teeth in your sleep. This habit, also called bruxism, affects men and women alike-and most people aren't even aware they do it.

Oral surgeons at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas say the major cause of nighttime tooth grinding is stress. It's a lot like clenching your jaw when you're tense during waking hours, only you're not aware

make yourself stop while you're asleep. Another cause is misaligned teeth. In addition to soreness and headaches, tooth grinding can damage teeth, wearing down the

If you notice your teeth wearing down and have soreness in your jaw or temples, talk to your dentist or doctor about tooth grinding. Managing stress is one way to stop it. Your dentist also may develop a mouth guard that you wear in your sleep to keep your teeth from grinding together.

To reduce the soreness in your jaws, use warm compresses and eat soft foods. You should also avoid chewing gum, because that gives your jaws a workout:

Arts &

Crafts

Debit cards are becoming popular

by Lou Gilly Haskell Co. Extension Agent

More and more individuals are using debit cards. In fact, it is now estimated that more than 60 percent of U. S. households have a debit card and use it frequently, which means they are now as popular as

credit cards, checks and cash.

Debit cards are quite different from credit cards, according to Lou Gilly, family and consumer science agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Haskell

"Unlike credit cards which allow

you to buy now and pay later, debit cards are buy now and pay now," she said. "They are actually another form of a check or cash because you are using your own money, not someone else's. With a debit

too great to allow the whole family to get together.

The holidays can be particularly hard on older family members, especially when they can't be with their relatives, says Dr. Myron Weiner, vice chairman for clinical services of psychiatry at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas. Weiner, a geriatric psychiatrist, treats many older people who find that being alone during the holidays brings on conditions ranging from "the blues" to major depression.

"It's a sad fact, but not everyone

family during holidays like Thanksgiving," he says. "But there are things we can do to make holidays happier for older family members who are not able to join other family members during that

Weiner suggests that families write or telephone more often during a holiday season. If the older family member uses a computer, frequent e-mails - especially from the children - can bring smiles. Smaller children can color or paint and send holiday pictures they've created. A surprise package of small holiday decorations in the mail is a nice touch, or a holiday flower arrangement can be wired.

Photographs of the family make a cheery holiday gift, especially if it's followed by an album of played again and again. And whatever you do, don't forget to telephone that person at least once on the actual holiday.

Abuse intervention available

A new intervention model aims to raise awareness about abuse against women with disabilities and help those women leave abusive situations.

"Our research has shown 62 percent of women, both with and without physical disabilities, have been physically, sexually or emotionally abused at one time in their lives," said Dr. Margaret Nosek, director of the Center for Research on Women with Disabilities (CROWD) at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "We want to help these women take action and leave their abusive situations."

The intervention kit, compiled by CROWD, contains information on how to develop a safety plan and provides battered women's programs, social service programs and independent living centers with the tools to help meet the special needs of these women.

For more information on the intervention kit, call CROWD at (800) 44-CROWD.

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Debit cards require the use of a personal identification number

"You must have a PIN before you can use your debit card. Once you get it, memorize it. You don't want to write it down on your card or keep it with your card because it's your personal password. And, if someone else has access to your PIN, they also have complete access to your checking or savings accounts," she warned.

Gilly also advised against using a PIN that someone could figure out easily. For example, using your street address, your phone number, your birthday or other personal information is unwise.

"It just makes it easier for someone who knows something about you to gain access to your account.'

In addition to protecting your PIN, Gilly encourages you to write down every transaction you make with your debit card.

"It's so easy to use them to make a purchase, but if you don't keep track of those purchases, you can drain your checking or saving account," she said. "Keep your receipts in one place to better manage your spending habits and

Lost or stolen debit cards should be reported immediately to the issuing financial institution.

"Even though you have the card in your possession, it's still possible for someone to use it fraudulently.'

If you suspect that your card is being used without your permission, report it immediately to your bank or credit union.

"Following these suggestions helps you protect your money so you can either increase your savings or decrease your debt...rather than letting someone else spend it for you," she added.



Thanksgiving is traditionally a family-oriented holiday, but with many families spread out around the country - even around the world - sometimes the distance is

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HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — The state of Texas won cases against two "payday" lenders in Hidalgo County that made loans without a license and charged interest rates as high as 780 percent.

A jury found the businesses EZ Cash and Quick Cash and owners George Moreno and Anna Gaytan guilty and ordered them to pay \$250,000 and \$17,500, respectively, to restore interest overpayments by unsuspecting customers. Combined civil penalties were \$12,000 and state's attorneys fees total \$36,000.

The jury also found the defendants used threats or coercion to collect money from customers, including the threat of filing criminal charges when customers had not violated any laws.

"These are clearly illegal acts perpetrated by unscrupulous individuals," said Attorney General John Cornyn. "The people of this state have no tolerance for lenders who prey on those least able to protect themselves against these kinds of practices."

Businesses that engage in payday loan arrangements typically lend small amounts to customers who face short-term financial difficulties and often live paycheck to paycheck, with little access to

mainstream forms of credit. Flu shot supply remains slim

The Texas Department of Health has received only 35,000 of the 366,000 doses of flu vaccine it ordered and the balance should be shipped periodically through December.

Most of the shipment will go to public health facilities. The agency is asking doctors to disperse their vaccines to the elderly and other high-risk groups first until an adequate supply is avail-

"What we're trying to avoid is a well-protected low-risk population at the expense of an unprotected high-risk population," said Sharilyn Stanley, M.D., the agency's associate commissioner for disease control and prevention.

High-risk groups include people age 65 and older, nursing home residents, asthmatics and people with diabetes, kidney or heart problems. Children on longterm aspirin therapy and pregnant women in the second or third trimester as well as health care workers also are high-risk.

The health department estimates private practitioners and health care providers in Texas

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have ordered 3 million doses of the flu vaccine.

TNRCC report finds 42 changes The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission would continue to operate for the next 12 years and would gain greater flexibility over its own budget under

changes proposed in the first indepth performance review of the 7-year-old agency.

The Sunset Advisory Commission completed a yearlong review of the environmental agency and found that TNRCC's current funding structure does not adequately support its activities and that the agency lacks strategic direction and innovation in its regulatory structure.

The report also found that the public's interest is not represented in environmental issues as well as it is in electric utility and insurance regulation, and that the agency limits the collection and use of public input into its compliance efforts.

The commission turned its report and 42 recommended changes over to the Legislature for consideration.

Other Highlights

· Secretary of State Elton Bomer announced the results of his "Why My Parents Should Vote" essay contest that drew 3,000 entries from schoolchildren statewide. First-place winners are Andrew Cole, Stroman Memorial High School in Victoria, Matthew Cole, Howell Middle School in Victoria and Morgan Redus, Bremond Elementary in Bremond.

• The first 29 people graduated from the Comptroller's Texas IT Academy, a public-private partnership to help fill high-tech state jobs. Students are college graduates who earn an entry-level salary while in the program and agree to work for the state for at least two years after they graduate.

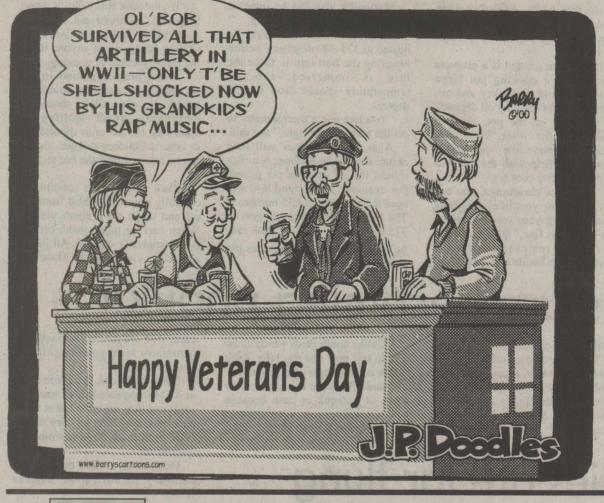
· Oyster season opened last week but harvesters only will be able to gather oysters in parts of Galveston Bay. All other Texas coastal waters will remain closed to commercial and recreational harvesting due to the effects of red tide, a toxin-producing algae bloom that hit the coast in August.

• Texas Parks and Wildlife Department launched the first migratory bird hunting report that will run from the opening of waterfowl season through mid-February. Updates will be posted online at www.tpwd.state.tx.us on Thursdays.

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From The Inside Out

By Mary Kaigler

When Carolyn Reynolds of Haskell was going through some old trunks and boxes, she found a poem that was written eighty-two years ago, in 1918, by a very young girl named Annie Roberds during the months before her wedding to Frank Reynolds, Carolyn's father-in -law.

Hand written in pencil on both sides of three small pieces of lined tablet paper, yellow now with age, sweetly beautiful in its descriptive poetry, it seems to capture the breathless essence of young love in its purest meaning.

And yet, perhaps surprising for one so young to envision and put into words, her poem could also be read to reflect a certain looking forward in faith to the constancy and beauty of true love for those beginning to glimpse the winter of their lives after the passing of

In her words, composed and written down in 1918, is her poem.

The Message of a Rose She gave him a rose, a dark red rose. Beautiful flower of love.

He gave her his heart, and vowed to be true, as the shining stars Will he keep his vow as the

years go by? Will he be ever faithful and true? Or will he forget, when the rose

is dead, that her love was awakened

"He will not forget," says the sweet red rose, as it rises its dewy head. "He will not forget his sweet heart, when all the flowers are

Though love was born with the flowers of June, like God, it's a deathless thing. It can never die like the blossoms that only bloom in the spring.

The sad sweet summer is leaving, with a smile, a tear and sigh. Old Winter is hastening her onward and soon she must pass and

But the winter will bury her gently, in a shroud of gleaming snow, and she will lie in peace 'mid the flowers, with the summers of long ago.

So our hearts feel the coming of "Winter," with a thousand wonderous thrills. For the flying birds are flying southward o'er the breast of the purple hills. The mist hangs low on the

river. The fields are pearled with dew. The mountains gleam in the distance, through a veil of silvery In folds of pansy-purple and

crimson capped with white, the clouds hang o'er the sunset and bathe in the golden light. And we watch the glowing

signal, with wondering, reverent eyes. For we know 'tis the herald of winter that flames in the Western skies.

And we know that God will guard us 'til our wedding day is come, when we shall learn the meaning of those sacred words, "Our Home --- Our Home."

So, we feel the power and the glory, that only belongs to Him Who gave us Love everlasting, that time itself will not dim.

Annie Roberds and Frank Reynolds were married later in the year following her writing this poem. She and Frank became the parents of Sonny Reynolds of Haskell and Beuna Faye Perrin of Center, Colorado. Annie worked many years for Haskell County Clerk Jason Smith in the School Tax Office.

Reading her words expressing the delicate, inner feelings of wonder and philosophical insight, rekindled for me the memory of the need of a young girl to pour out youthful dreams and longings into the receptical of her poems, written only to be put away in secret in some long forgotten place.

And although our youthful words and lines, written so long ago, probably served their best purpose just by finding expression

in poems to be put away and never seen by others, one has to wonder how they would be read today by those we know and love. Would our words perhaps evoke

in some reader the sweet remembrance of their own youthful spirit of innocent belief in the steadfast abiding of true love, just as the reading of Annie Reynold's poem of eighty-two ago has done?

Thanks Annie, for a sweet

scientific proof of this power.

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and found that it appears to boost

the disease-fighting ability of white

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echinacea every day - only when

you feel a cold coming on. It could

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immune system boosted like that

all the time. More research is

needed on the best way to use

Medical Center at Dallas say

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viruses are often transmitted by

hands when your hands come in

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From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago November 8, 1990

Rick Perry was elected Texas State Agriculture commissioner.

Nick Jimenez Jr. won a firstplace trophy and an All-Star medal in an All-Star Talent Contest in Abilene. He is the son of Nick and Eva Jimenez.

Christopher Kittley of Rule celebrated his third birthday with a party at the recreation center. The birthday theme was the Ninja Turtles.

Seven Haskell 4-H Club members competed in the District Food Show in Vernon. They are Kim Gilly, Shana McKenzie, Jennifer Comedy, Tonya Burson, Kaki Stapleton, Shannon Sanford and Shannon Jordan.

20 Years Ago November 6, 1980

Mrs. Grace McKelvain was honored by families of the Haskell Clinic at a salad supper in honor of her retirement. McKelvain has worked as a nurse in the Haskell Clinic since Jan. 12, 1948.

Mikeana Wilcox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Wilcox of Rule, was awarded the F. W. Martin Memorial Award at the Haskell county 4-H Awards Banquet.

Dr. V. N. (Ben) Brock, vice president of Western Texas College, has been selected for the prestigious Marquis Who's Who in America. Brock is a graduate of Haskell High School.

30 Years Ago November 5, 1970

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Hale of Hale Farm Supply were awarded an allexpense paid trip to Acapulco, Mexico by the John Deere Company for meeting their sales

The Highway Department is in the process of moving into its new building according to Ray Lusk, local maintenance foreman. The new building is located one-fourth mile west of the city limits of Haskell.

Hayden McDonald has retired from the Haskell Post Office after being employed as clerk for the past 28 years.

40 Years Ago November 10, 1960

A. C. Pierson of Haskell was elected to the Executive Board of the Baptist General Convention of Texas during the meeting in Lubbock.

Returning recently from their annual pheasant hunt in Nebraska were Scotch Coggins of Haskell, Charles Gary, Bill King and Ramon Liles of Weinert. They reported plenty of game and ideal weather.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Royall entertained members of the Haskell County Sheriff's Posse and invited guests at an outdoor steak cookout at their farm home southwest of Haskell.

50 Years Ago November 9, 1950

Haskell's five gins reported a combined total of 9,424 bales of cotton processed so far.

Patsy Turnbow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Turnbow of Haskell, was elected FFA Sweetheart.

Naomi Sparkman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Sparkman, was crowned queen of the Mattson High School in ceremonies held at the

Marie Bird, an eighth grader and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Bird, was crowned queen of the Mattson grade school.

90 Years Ago November 5, 1910

G. E. Courtney has recovered from a three months illness with typhoid fever.

H. H. Franklin, owner of the Franklin Tent Theatre road shows. will close the season here and store his equipment here until spring.

The school at Plainview has started and the teacher, Prof. T. R. Odell, is contemplating organizing a Literary Society.

James Freeman, Rule

Hospital

Admissions

Alonzo Golan, Crowell Viola Tidwell, Haskell Gladys Whitaker, Haskell Dismissals Levi Greer, Willia Rogers, Josh Tidrow

Fighting and winning the war against the common cold

We can't cure the common cold, but can we prevent it?

The so-called "common" cold is

actually a complex problem. It's caused by a number of viruses and those viruses keep changing, so it's almost impossible to vaccinate against it or fight it once you've caught it. All you can do is fight the symptoms-the sneezing,

coughing, runny nose and sore throat.

You may have heard a lot lately about herbal remedies that help prevent colds. One popular one is echinacea, an herbal remedy made from the purple coneflower. This herb is believed to help boost the immune system to help people stave off colds. There may be

Keeping an eye on Texas

Texas then and now

Since the turn of the last century, population trends and demographics

have changed drastically in Texas. Texans' median age 1900 Males 31.8 years 19.3 years Females 18.2 years 34.0 years

Texas population by sex

1.6 million (51.8%) 10.0 million (50%) Males

Females 1.5 million (48.2%) 10.0 million (50%)

SOURCE: Carole Keeton Rylander, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts (www.window.state.tx.us), and U.S. Census Bureau

Birth Certificate

*Year of most recent figures

Haskell Co. Extension Agent

Most of us consider using a credit card as a routine method of payment when purchasing goods and services. Whether we're shopping at a local merchant or in one of the major chain stores, we tend to pay with plastic instead of paying cash or writing a check.

with using credit cards, they can become an expensive method of payment if we fail to comply with the terms established by each card company. Avoiding some of the common pitfalls of credit card use can help save you both money and time, according to Lou Gilly, family and consumer science agent

with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Haskell County.

One of the most important things to remember when using credit cards is to pay your bills on time. Credit card companies process millions of checks each month and it may take 5-7 days for

City Council approves purchase of land for regional jail

At the recent meeting of the Haskell City Council, approval was given for the purchase of land for the Regional County Jail and Detention Center.

The land is a part of the Albert Barnett property east of Haskell near the cotton warehouses. It will be purchased through the Development Corporation of

Haskell which bought 113 acres of the Barnett land.

Approval is forthcoming for the sale of revenue bonds and certificates of obligation for the funding of the jail project.

Randy Hise, president of the Development Corporation, said banks generally buy the certificates of obligation because they are sold in larger lots, and backed by the tax base, while revenue bonds are sold in smaller lots.

The Council also discussed the distribution of profits from the regional jail. A trust company will be handling all monies. They will hold 50% of the profits until a second annual payment is in reserve. The remainder will then be split 50-50 between Haskell County and the City of Haskell.

Don't pack on the pounds when you throw out the pack

Giving up cigarettes is one of the kindest things you'll ever do for your body. But if you're worried about the inevitable weight gain - it's not.

It's a myth that nicotine helps with weight reduction, says Dr. Patricia Cook, an associate professor in internal medicine at UT Southwestern Medical Center

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"Smokers have a highly refined oral reflex and putting something in the mouth is almost as important as the smoke," Cook says. "Knowing this makes it easier to remember that the desire can be satisfied with things other

To satisfy the craving, Dr. Cook suggests low or no-calorie foods, drinking water from a sports cap bottle or through a straw, sucking on cinnamon sticks, or

She says exercise is the most important tool to maintain weight loss or avoid weight gain.

"Walk 10 minutes a day and gradually increase the time to 30 minutes a day," she says. "This helps clear the mind when you obsess about not smoking."

Even if you gain some weight after quitting, it's usually small and temporary. "It's also much less harmful to your health than

An over-the-counter drug is still

a medication and your physician needs to know which ones you are

"Your physician needs to know about all medications-including

Fall means itchy eyes

As many allergy sufferers know, fall offers new obstacles for their feelings of well-being. Along with color changes, cooler weather and the holidays come itchy, watery

Because of increasing wind speeds and higher mold counts, allergy sufferers may find that their eyes are itchy, watery or drier than

"People can combat itchy, watery or itchy, dry eyes with the application of a cold compress such as ice in a zippered baggie," says Dr. Dwight Cavanagh, vice chairman of ophthalmology at UT Southwestern Medical Center at

Cavanagh adds that rinsing eyes with nonpreserved artificial tears three to four times per day also helps keep eyes moist and clear of debris. He does not recommend "get the red out" drops and says that frequent use of those products cause significant

complications. If symptoms persist for more than three days, Cavanagh says to contact an ophthalmologist because the symptoms may be the result of an infection.

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over-the-counter drugs and home remedies-to assess possible drug

interactions and overdosing," says

Dr. Craig Rubin, associate

professor of internal medicine at

UT Southwestern Medical Center

Seniors with multiple medical problems are especially vulnerable because they may see more than one doctor. Each physician must be made aware of other doctors treatments, including prescriptions, to avoid exposing the patient to potential complications, says Rubin, a specialist in geriatric

A common scenario, says Rubin, involves a patient who has been prescribed a nonsteroidal antiinflammatory drug and is mistakenly taking another drug

from the same class, such as ibuprofen or Alleve. Such patients, regardless of age, would increase their risk of gastric ulcers or kidney

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Track spending to reach your financial goal

by Lou Gilly Haskell Co. Extension Agent Tracking your spending can help you learn a lot about your spending patterns. If you track your spending, you will be able to see where your money goes and if you are able to live within your means. You will be able to see where you can make future changes in your spending habits. You will also be able to use the information to set

future financial goals. In order to track your spending, consider how many different ways you spend money. Some of the possibilities include cash, check, credit card, debit card, ATM, money order, electronic transfers, or value cards (like prepaid telephone calling cards). *

Awareness of how you spend your money can help you determine how to most easily track your spending. Knowing how you spend money is your key to knowing where your money goes.

Four Simple Tools for Writing it Down

There are many tools available for recording how you spend your money. Such tools can be as simple as an envelope system on which expenses are recorded and in which receipts are stored, to computerized systems.

No one system will probably suit everyone. The important thing is to be aware of your spending: when, where, how much and how you spend. Some people disregard their spending unless the spending is done by cash or check. But this short-sightedness could lead to serious financial trouble if there is little conscious awareness of spending by credit card. It is important to record all spending, no matter what form of money was used to make the purchase or pay

Four easy tools for recording money spent include:

•Personal Notebook or Index Card Method - Buy a small spiral notebook or set of 3 x 5 inch index

cards. Write down all expenditures unless they have already been recorded in your check register. Women often prefer to carry the notebook in their purses, while men often favor carrying the index

cards in a shirt pocket. This system takes little discipline if you are not accustomed to writing down how you spend every nickel and dime. This means writing down all transactions made by credit card, ATM, debit, card, or cash. In a family, each family member should carry their own notebook or cards.

•Receipt Method – If you cannot see yourself writing down everything into a notebook or onto an index card, then the receipt method may work for you. With this system, you must obtain a receipt for very item you purchase. When you get the receipt, write directly onto the receipt what it was for and how you made the purchase (check, cash, debit or credit card). Each family member needs to cooperate by obtaining receipts for all expenditures.

•Calendar System - If you do not make many purchases, a calendar system may work well for you. Dedicate a calendar as a "money calendar." Each day you can track your spending for that day. This method works well for people who live alone. Although by posting the money calendar on the refrigerator, all family members can track their spending. An expanded version of the calendar system is frequently used by people who incur business expenses. They use their daily calendars for recording business-related expenses, a practice that is encouraged by the Internal Revenue Service, because it establishes what the IRS calls "contemporaneous record-keeping," that is, tracking your spending as it occurs. Most business expenses must be substantiated by receipts.

Register and Register of Non-check Transactions - One of the most traditional ways to track spending by check has been the check register. Writing down every check or debit card amount and posting it in a check register creates an excellent tracking system. This same methodology can be applied to non-check transactions. You can record all spending (including credit card and cash expenditures) in your regular check register by writing down the amounts and purpose of the spending. Instead of writing

•Register System: Check

down the amounts of non-check transactions made by cash or credit card in the column of the register that you use for writing check amounts, you can use another column, such as the check number column. That way you won't accidentally subtract the amount of the non-check (debit card transaction from your checking account balance). Alternative approaches include using a separate check register for recording noncheck transactions. You can either record everything onto one page, or devote different pages to cash and credit purchases.

Analyzing Your Spending Records

Your written records will reveal important information about your spending patterns if you take the time to analyze your results. The tracking method you use will not only help you unless you use it to analyze your spending patterns. If you carefully track your spending over several months and then analyze where your money has gone, you can decide whether your

choices were good ones or poor ones. By analyzing your spending, you may be able to see where you have spent more money than necessary and where you can cut back your spending. Once you have compiled your analysis, share the results with other family members so everyone can see the results of their tracking efforts.

Adjusting Future Spending Habits

Depending upon what you see about your spending patterns, you will be able to adjust your future spending patterns by making different spending choices and establishing financial goals. As a

family, you can choose financial goals that are important to everyone. If you continue to track your spending, you will know if you have successfully met your target goals.

To Subscribe,

Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 750 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., Nov. 4, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

Stockers 5-8 higher. Stocker cows and pairs 5-25 higher; feeders steady to 2 higher. Command good all classes.

Jersey, Longhorns, Holsteins, cripples, and goons \$5-\$30/100# less than figures quoted!

Cows: fat, .35-.39; cutters, .36-.44; canners, .22-.32

Bulls: bologna, .45-.50; feeder, .68-.78; utility .38-.43. Steers: medium and large frame

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Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.10-1.35; 300-400 lbs., .95-1.15; 400-500 lbs., .85-.98; 500-600 lbs., .82-.94; 600-up lbs., .55-.88.

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Haskell Soil and Water Conservation District 2000 Annual Report

The Haskell Soil and Water Conservation District was formed to help and serve producers and landowners with technical assistance. The current directors are: F. A. Ulmer, Sagerton; Kenneth Sanders, Weinert; Kenneth Newberry, Rochester; Willie Buerger, Haskell; and Dan R. Griffith of Paint Creek. The Board of Directors meet monthly on the third Friday of each month at 9:00 a.m. in the Natural Resources Conservation Service Office at 607 North 1st East Suite B in Haskell. All regular meetings are open to the public in accordance with the Texas State open meeting law. All programs administered by the District are on a voluntary basis and are provided without regard to race, color, sex, national origin, or disability.

Haskell Soil and Water Conservation District No. 546 Combined Statement of Revenue and Expenditures for fiscal year ended August 31, 2000

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Balance as of September 1, 1999	\$ 9,321.64	\$ 6,410.59	DEVELOPMENT	
			BOARD GRANT	
TOTAL REVENUES	\$16,374.90	\$65,287.35		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$16,742.22	\$60,560.29		
GAIN (LOSS) 8/31/00	\$ (367.32)	\$ 4,727.06		
ENDING BALANCE	\$ 8,954.32	\$11,137.65	\$10,762.36	

Soil Conservationist's Creed

I believe God created the earth by His divine process for the benefit of man, not one man, nor one generation, but mankind for all time.

I believe the Almighty gave man an inheritance of the earth, not to be hoarded as a miser guards his treasure, but to be used with wisdom for the perpetual benefit of all men.

I believe all mankind, regardless of race or creed, are entitled to a fair and equitable share of the earth's bounty commensurate with their own efforts. But in so believing, I hold the irrevocable conviction that man himself owes earth a debt of respect and fealty.

I believe that whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap; that he who manages his fields, pastures and woodlands, and streams with respect and wisdom shall reap the bountiful harvest, and so shall his descendants, while he who uses them selfishly, thinking only of his immediate gain, shall bring grief to his land, himself, and his children's children.

Therefore, I dedicate my self to the task of helping my fellow man realize his own personability in conserving the earth for the generations which follow. To this end I shall devote my best knowledge in guiding the efforts of others who use the soil so that the land which nurtures us shall be fruitful without end.

For truly, the earth is the Lord's and the fullness therefore, but the responsibility of its stewardship is vested in man.

CONSERVATION PLANNING AND SERVICE ASSISTANCE

Active Food Security Act Plans Conservation Reserve Contracts

Emergency Conservation Program

Long Term Contracts Range Seeding

Brush Management

Irrigation Conveyance Systems

759 on 78,070 acres 185 on 24,107 acres

62 on Pond Cleanouts 50 on 3,701 acres

199 acres 910 acres

3 on 385 acres

Other Activities of the Haskell SWCD

News Articles

Annual Report

Soil Stewardship special edition

•Supplied soil stewardship materials to churches, ministers, and kindergarten students

•Distributed book covers to the schools in the county

•Co-sponsored Annual Clear Fork Range Camp for grades 7-12

Conservation Pledge

I give my pledge as an American to save and faithfully to defend from waste the natural resources of my country – Its soil and minerals, its forests, waters, and wildlife.

•Sponsored local land, range, and pasture

judging contests

•Sponsored poster contest for elementary students

•Co-sponsored local scholarship/essay contest

•Two directors attended the Rolling Plains Association of SWCD meeting

•Sponsored Wetlands Meeting for Producers

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We salute all of the Veterans of Haskell County and pay tribute to all of the American heroes, whose we pay our respects and offer our gratitude. Their contributions have not been forgotten. Featured names we may not know, but whose efforts have made it possible for all of us to enjoy the many freedoms that we have today. To all those brave servicemen, who paid with their bodies and souls, The pictures will be returned to the serviceman or his relatives on request.

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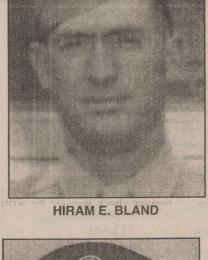


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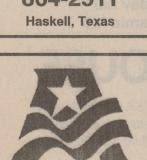
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Ask the AG

By John Cornyn, Attorney General

Q: You said recently that open government is one of your top priorities. What are you doing to put this into action?

A: When citizens ask for information, they expect to get it within a reasonable amount of time. After a citizen requests information, a governmental body has 10 business days to ask my office for an opinion on whether the information is public. In 1998, before I took office, only 4 percent of these open records rulings were issued within 20 business days or less. By June of this year, my office was issuing over 40 percent of these rulings within that time frame.

We also have expanded our education and outreach efforts so that both the public and government officials know their rights and obligations under the law. We have sponsored many conferences

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and seminars for public officials around the state, and have expanded the portion of my agency's Web site dealing with open government.

Q: What happens if somebody refuses to release public information? Do they get sued?

A: My office has authority to sue state and local authorities to enforce the Public Information Act. While going to court should always be a last resort, I will not hesitate to take this step if needed.

For example, I recently sued the Stephenville Independent School District to force the release of some legal bills. The district claimed the material was covered by several exceptions to required public disclosure under the Act. After reviewing the law and the legal bills themselves, my office ruled that the information must be made public

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in its entirety. The school district had 30 days to appeal the ruling, but chose not to do so. Instead, they released the bills but first blacked out various names and other key pieces of information. The lawsuit would force the district to release the legal bills without any editing.

In another matter, the Plano Police Department was asked for material related to an arrest which included audio and video tapes. While the department released some very basic information without seeking a ruling from my office, it claimed most of the information was covered by the Act's law enforcement exception. According to the law, however, an agency claiming an exception has 10 days to ask my office for a ruling on the matter. Since the department did not seek a ruling, it waived the right to claim the exception and the information automatically became an open record. My office filed suit to force the release of the material.

Sometimes an individual will file suit against a government agency to force the release of public records. In such cases, I may support the existing lawsuit through a "friend of the court" brief, rather than filing a separate lawsuit. In a case involving the Dallas Independent School District, I filed a brief arguing that electronic student test records should be released in a way that protects student confidentiality but allows the requestor to examine students' progress from year to year. An appeals court recently agreed with my position, stating that the database of standardized test scores must be released after the school district substitutes a unique number for each students' name.

Q: I requested some information from my city government, but they refuse to give it to me. What should I do?

A: Call the Attorney General's Open Government Hotline. The Hotline's toll free number is 877-OPEN-TEX (877-673-6839). Both the Plano Police Department and Stephenville I.S.D. lawsuits were triggered by complaints made to the Hotline. In addition to receiving complaints, the Hotline answers questions about the Public Information Act and the Open Meetings Act.

Please remember my office only has authority to enforce the Public Information Act. County and district attorneys enforce the Open Meetings Act, and have complete discretion in deciding which allegations will be prosecuted.



FOGGY NIGHT AT INDIAN FIELD—Haskell Indian running back #33, Marcus Johnson carries the ball in a wet-weather game with the Olney Cubs Fri., Nov. 3.

Photo by Bill Blankenship

Weinert Class of 1950 holds 50th reunion

Seventeen members of the Weinert High School Class of 1950 recently met at the Branding Iron to celebrate their 50th reunion.

During a brief business meeting, officers were elected. They were: Doris Brueggeman, president; Bob McKinney, vice-president; and Donna Thomas, secretary-treasurer.

The group voted to hold the

2002 reunion at the Branding Iron.

Those attending from out of town were: Charles Sargent of Pleasanton; James Yandell and

Jonnie of San Antonio; Jenella Couch Pemberton, of Ringling, Oklahoma; Robert Gaines and Pat of Abilene; Edith Alexander Ross of Midland; Bobby Carroll and Betty of Nashville, Arkansas; Dorothea Forehand Howell and Jim of Odessa, Winona Pace Sanders and Joe of DeSoto, Gay Reeves Oates and Wayburn of Odessa; Joe David Walker and son Chris of Farmington, New Mexico; Joyce Rodgers of Clyde; Jessie Mae Pickering Shipley and Ted of

Selah, Washington.
Attending from Haskell were:
Wanda Dunnam Ham and Wayne;
Doris Anderson Brueggeman and T.
J.: Floyd McGuire and Alta; Bobby
McKinney; Patsy Brite Smith and
Earl; and Donna Grimsley Thomas
and Clois.

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The Class of 1950 was honored at the Weinert Homecoming Sat., Oct. 14. Wanda Ham and Joe David Walker were chosen Homecoming Queen and King.

Simple carbon monoxide detector can save your life

Installing a carbon monoxide detector in your home could be a lifesaver, says Dr. Christopher Keyes, associate professor of emergency medicine and internal medicine at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

"The best way to prevent accidental carbon monoxide poisoning in your home is to install a carbon monoxide monitor," he says.

Carbon monoxide is an odorless and colorless gas produced during combustion. The most common causes of home carbon monoxide poisoning are malfunctioning indoor natural gas heaters and water heaters.

heaters.

Symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning include fatigue, headache and nausea. But since the symptoms are so vague, people often think they have the flu,

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"Pregnant women need to be especially cautious about carbon monoxide poisoning because the fetus has a lower threshold for carbon monoxide," Keyes says.

Carbon monoxide poisoning can cause permanent brain damage or even be fatal. Carbon monoxide takes the place of oxygen in the blood, causing cells to suffocate.

Now is the time to make a Christmas budget

by Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
Christmas is less than two
months away. Financial experts
say*it is wise to make a Christmas
budget now to prevent unwanted

Deciding how much one can spend is the first step. Examine last year's expenses, review credit card bills and check register receipts to get an estimate of how well.

Christmas spending went last year.

Then, list every expense you

expect to have around the holidays. These expenses include decorations,

parties, cards and gift wrapping.

Next, make a list of everyone that you plan to buy gifts for. Decide how much you want to spend on each person and total the dollar amount. If your amount of estimated expenses is too high, then try to figure where can you cut costs. Finally, when you're done with your shopping, quit. Buying just one more extra thing can ruin efforts to limit spending.

HASKELL CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND SIMILAR TRUST FUNDS YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2000

		TOTALS GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES (MEMORANDUM ONLY)			
Data		100-199	200-499	98	97
Contro		GENERAL	SPECIAL	AUGUST 31,	AUGUST 31,
Codes		FUND	REVENUE FUND	2000	1999
	REVENUES:		-		
	Local and Intermediate Sources:				
5742	Investment Income	\$176,561		\$176,561	\$165,709
	Other Local and Intermediate Sources	1,227,133	172,090	1,399,223	1,337,573
5700	Total Local and Intermediate Sources	\$1,403,694	\$172,090	\$1,575,784	\$1,503,282
5800	State Program Revenues	4,214,709	112,717	4,327,426	3,661,804
5900	Federal Program Revenues	13,192	495,361	508,553	530,294
5020	Total Revenues	\$5,631,595	\$780,168	\$6,411,763	\$5,695,380
	EXPENDITURES:				
0010		\$3,154,658	\$453,888	\$3,608,546	\$3,438,403
0020		266,299		266,299	342,884
0030		575,324	323,167	898,491	837,891
0040		339,307	2,858	342,165	269,720
0050		667,218	13,920	681,138	763,670
0060		50,219	49,994	100,213	137,302
0070		1,032		1,032	73,430
0080	Capital Outlay for School District Facilities	96,442	20 -	96,442	2,221
0090		169,306		169,306	164,938
6030	Total Expenditures	\$5,319,805	\$843,827	\$6,163,632	\$6,030,459
4400		\$311,790	(\$63,659)	\$248,131	(\$335,079)
1100		44.079	63,659	107,738	52,078
7020		(63,659)	03,039	(63,659)	(52,078)
8030	Other (Uses)	(65,059)		(03,039)	(32,070)
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3000	Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$2,801,258	AR -11	\$2,801,258	\$2,509,048

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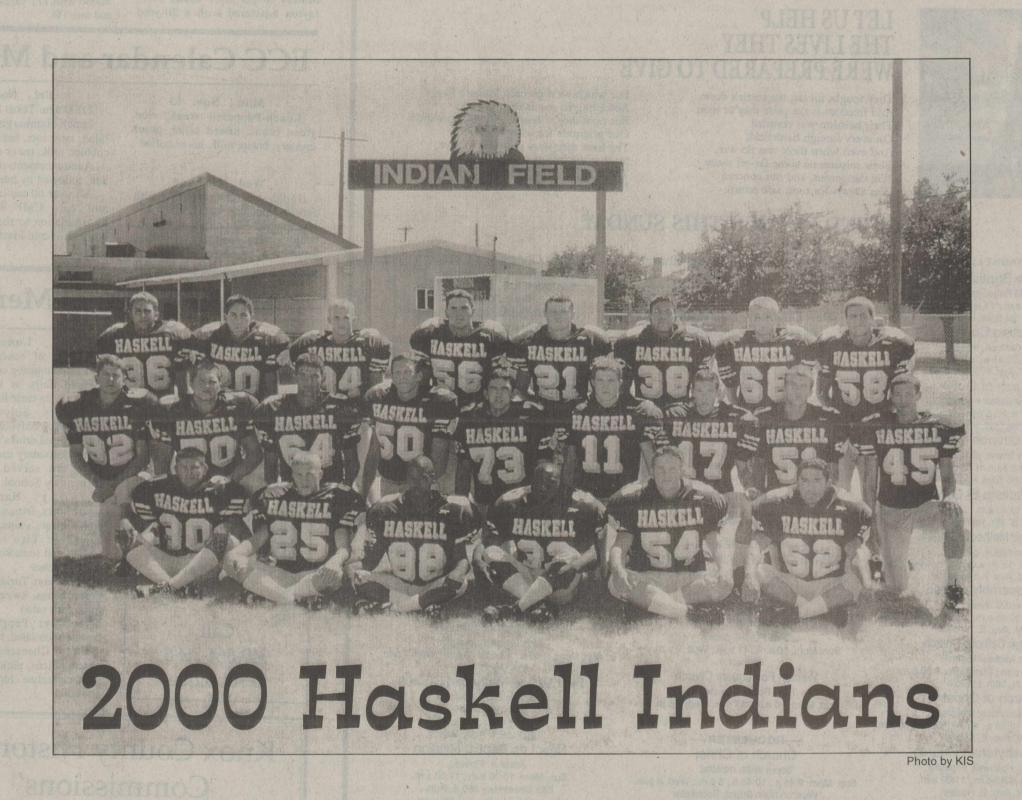
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Paint Creek defeated by Patton Springs

Paint Creek was defeated by Patton Springs 66-16 in their District 4 Six Man game at Paint

The Pirates scored on runs by Bronc Davis, Skeet Hope and a 20yard pass from Davis to Eugene

Patton Springs now stands at 8-1, 4-0. Paint Creek drops to 0-8,

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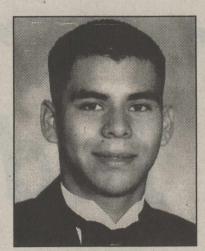
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Students visit Rotary Club

Alvino Alvarez, Jr. is the son of Alvino and Victoria Alvarez. He is a member of the Catholic

Church. Favorite pastimes for him are drawing and riding around.

After finishing high school he plans to leave Haskell and would like to go to an automotive paint and body school.

Jimmy Rojo is the son of Ted and Linda Rojo. He is a member of the Catholic

Church Drawing is his favorite leisure time activity.

After finishing high school he plans to attend Universal Technical Institute and Cisco Jr. College

Pricey isn't pertect when it comes to toys

Selecting the right toys for your children at the holidays could have an impact that reaches far past the New Year.

Dr. Donna Persaud, assistant professor of pediatrics at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, says the most expensive toys aren't always the best. "Parents need to be wise, as more expensive and complicated toys are not necessarily more valuable to the child," Persaud says. "Always read age information and requirements for adult supervision to assure that a toy is appropriate to the child's development.

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Toys that offer children an opportunity to both play and learn are ideal. Persaud says that books are always a good choice for children of any age.

Bobcats suffer loss to Jayton

In their District 4 Six-Man game, the Jayton Jaybirds defeated the Rule Bobcats, 28-20.

Rule scored first on a 1-yard run by Berto Sotelo, with Jayton answering with an eleven-yard pass to tie the score at 6-6.

In the second quarter Josh Smith completed a 16-yard pass to Jeffrey Murray to put Rule ahead 12-6. Jayton answered with a 20-yard pass to tie the half-time score at

Smith again scored on a 2-yard run for Rule to take the lead again only to see it matched by Jayton

Leading the offence for Rule, standing at 4-4 and 1-2, was Bert Sotelo with 111 yards on 17 carries and one TD.

This Week's Devotional Message:



LET US HELP THE LIVES THEY WERE PREPARED TO GIVE

They fought for us; the battle's done, And freedom is the prize they've won. Their heroism was revealed On every foreign battlefield, And even when there was no war, Their mission on some far-off shore Was dangerous, and our concern Was always for their safe return,

For which we'd go each Sabbath day, According to our faith, and pray; But now they're home, and we must show Our gratitude for what we owe The lives they were prepared to give, So that the rest of us could live The way our founding fathers planned: In liberty throughout our land.

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

John Lewis, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 908 N. Ave. A, Haskell

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Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p. 301 N. 3rd St., Haskell **New Covenant Foursquare** Bill and Renee Glass, pastors Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.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 Chris Powell, 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 Troy Culpepper, pastor Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m. 500 Main, Rochester

Union Chapel Baptist Church Rev. Clarence Walker Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.

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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** Artuo Jr. Floves 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

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beans, potato salad, fruit, cookies,

bread, milk, tea or coffee

11:00 a.m. Texas State Hearing Lunch-Hamburgers, hamburger salad, tator tots, baked beans, fruit cobbler, milk, tea or coffee Announcements begin at 11:45

Fri., Nov. 17

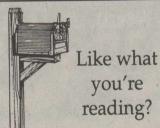
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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED

TEXAS HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS

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until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

Sealed proposals for highway improvement contracts will be

CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE CONTRACT(S)

Contract 6058-91-001 for GUARD RAIL AND BRIDGE RAIL

REPAIR in JONES County, etc. will be opened on December 6,

2000 at 1:00 p.m. at the State Office for an estimate of \$739,001.50.

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 ex-

State Office: Construction Division, 200 E. Riverside Dr.

District Office(s): Abilene District, District Engineer, 4250 N.

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FESTIVE FUNSTERS-Among the youngsters enjoying the fun games, prizes and refreshments at the colorful community-wide fall festival for families hosted by Haskell First United Methodist Church, Sat., Oct. 28 were, I-r, Brian and Shelby Copeland, children of Michael and Michelle Copeland, and Benjamin Brue, son of Shane and Jill Brue.

Stenholm seeks applicants for service academies

Congressman Charles W. Stenholm has announced the deadline for applications to the United States Service Academies.

The deadline to apply to any service academy through Congressman Stenholm's office is Dec. 1, 2000. Interested individuals are encouraged to contact the Washington office as soon as possible.

Eligible applicants must be at least 17 but not past their 23rd birthday and need to have graduated from high school by June 30, 2001. They must also be single with no dependents and be a legal resident of the 17th District.

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be in the top 15 percent of their class. They need to have SAT scores above 550 Verbal and 600 Math or ACT scores of 26 English and 27 Math. Involvement in extracurricular activities, including school and community organizations and sports as well as full or part-time employment, is also in the applicant's favor.

The Congressman will be making nominations for appointments to the Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, Colo.; the Military Academy at West Point, N. Y.; the Naval Academy at Annapolis, MD; and the Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, N. Y.

The academies offer young people an excellent education, while also developing skills in leadership and self-discipline. It is a one-of-a-kind opportunity to earn a bachelor's degree and earn a salary for doing so. An education at an academy also guarantees a career upon graduation as an officer in the U. S. Armed Forces.

Applicants who wish to serve as commissioned officers are strongly encouraged to contact Jayne Schoonmaker in Congressman Stenholm's Washington office at 202/225-8119, 1211 Longworth HOB, Washington, D. C. 20515.

Nominees will be announced in late December.

915-762-2333

Local media honored

Dusty Garison, Ron McCandless and Carl Shearer of KVRP-AM/FM were named to the Media Honor Roll, a program sponsored by the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) and Haskell CISD. The Media Honor Roll recognizes media representatives statewide who deserve recognition for fair and balanced reporting of news about public schools. Media representatives from almost 400 Texas newspapers and radio and television stations were honored by their local school districts.

Criteria for the district selection included media representative's efforts to get to know the superintendent, board president and the district's mission and goals; report school news in a fair, accurate and balanced manner; give a high profile to positive news about schools; visit the schools; and maintain a policy of no surprises by sharing information with school officials.

"Districts across Texas appreciate these reporters for their

Don't be a turkey

For people who suffer from bouts of heartburn, indulging in the traditional Thanksgiving fare can leave them feeling as stuffed as the main course.

But there are ways to reduce the severity of indigestion, says Dr. Stuart Spechler, professor of internal medicine at UT Southwestern Medical Center at

"Overeating and indulging in fatty foods usually contribute to heartburn," Spechler says. "So rethink whether you are willing to endure the discomfort for that extra slice of pecan pie and try to serve yourself moderate portions."

If you know you are prone to heartburn, try taking an H2blocker, such as over-the-counter medications Tagamet and Zantac, just before the meal to reduce stomach acid. Also, avoid lying down for about three hours after ingesting a large meal.

balanced and accurate approach to sharing both the challenges facing our schools and the successes achieved by local teachers, students and school boards. Their work aids

local communities in focusing on the goal of providing the best public schools we can for every child," said John McInnis, TASB

Volunteers needed by AARP for upcoming tax season

The AARP Foundation in cooperation with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) will be providing free income tax preparation services for all middle and low income taxpayers for the 2000 tax year, beginning in Feb.

In order for this service to continue, volunteers are needed to be trained as preparers. Training is given in Abilene in Jan. and travel expenses are reimbursed. No prior experience is required, however, volunteers should have a basic knowledge of the Form 1040 instructions. Having prepared one's own return is sufficient.

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