



CLEARING THE WAY—Members of the Haskell Co. Commissioners Court help clear icy sidewalks for those coming to the Soup Kitchen at Haskell Elementary School cafeteria, Thurs., Jan. 28. The community project is funded by donations made in January each year on Souper Sunday.

Don Flippin to coach in All-Star Classic game

Haskell coach Don Flippin has been named as an assistant coach of the North Team at the second annual Big Country All-Star Classic football game to be played June 2 at Shotwell Stadium. Head coach for the North will be Denny Faith of Albany. Other assistant coaches will be Matt Denman of

Munday, Blake Feldt of Breckenridge and Bob Shipley of Burnet.

Head coach of the South team will be Mike Copeland of Stephenville. Assistants will be Robin Byrd of Winters, Brad

McCoy of Jim Ned, Kelly West of Baird and Philip Ritchey of Coleman.

The players for the all-star game, which benefits the area chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, will be named in mid-February. Coaches have until Jan. 24 to nominate their players for the game. Every coach who nominates someone will have at least one on the all-star squads.

Last year's inaugural game was a success, drawing a crowd of nearly 8,000 and raising nearly \$90,000. The South team won last year's game 21-6.

A two-day coaches' clinic and a "Share the Victory" banquet will be held again this year during the

all-star week. Last year's banquet speaker was former NFL player and coach, Mike Ditka. Dennis Conner, state director of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, has not yet named a speaker for this year's banquet.

Haskell Co. Gin Report

January 15, 2001	
Haskell	
Haskell Co-op Gin	394
Haskell County Gin	745
O'Brien	
O'Brien Gin	16,370
Rochester	
Rochester Co-op Gin	894
Rule	
Rule Co-op Gin	950
Weinert	
Griff's Gin	480
Weinert Gin	1,546
Total Bales	21,379

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ATTENTION PROPERTY OWNERS!

Property owners should be aware that they have certain rights which may reduce their property tax burden. Persons who own their residence on January 1, 2001 may claim their home as a homestead. This filing of homestead is only necessary if the homeowner has moved or is entitled an additional exemption during 2001. Disabled Veterans should bring or mail the letter they receive from V.A. to the Appraisal District to receive property tax credit only if the percentage of disability has changed. A pamphlet published by the State Comptroller's Office, which details all taxpayer's rights, remedies and responsibilities, is available free of charge at the Appraisal District Office. All tax questions should be directed to the Haskell County Appraisal District, Box 467, Haskell, Texas 79521, 940-864-3805.

EXEMPTION APPLICATION FORMS AVAILABLE FROM EACH APPRAISAL DISTRICT OR STATE COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE

EXEMPTION	FILING REQUIREMENT	FOOTNOTE
Residence Homestead	One-time application	2.
Disabled Veterans & Survivors	One-time application	1.
Cemeteries	Annual application/renewal	1.
Charitable Organizations	One-time application	2.
Youth Spiritual, Mental & Physical Development Associations	One-time application	2.
Religious Organizations	One-time application	2.
Privately Owned School	One-time application	2.
Historic Sites	Annual application/renewal	1.
Solar & Wind-powered Energy Devices	Annual application/renewal	1.

- All annual applications must be filed prior to April 30th with the Central Appraisal District of Haskell County.
- Any property ownership change that has occurred since January 1, 2000, requires a new application to be made.

PERSONS WHO ARE OVER 65 YEARS OLD

State Law allows a person who is over 65 to receive additional homestead exemptions for school purposes and other tax units also offer optional exemptions. Contact the appraisal district as soon as you turn 65 and present proof of age to receive this tax benefit. Over 65 persons are also allowed to defer the taxes on their homestead if they wish. A tax deferral form must be filled out if the Over 65 person wishes to defer paying their tax. The tax will continue to accrue, but no procedures to collect the tax will be implemented until the owner no longer lives in the home nor intends to return. An interest rate of 8% per annum is charged but no penalty is assessed. Details and an application for deferral can be obtained at Any appraisal district office.

PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS. "RENDER" YOUR TAXABLE PROPERTY BY APRIL 15TH.

You must file a rendition if you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income—such as the inventory and equipment used by a business. Other property owners are encouraged to file a rendition. By filing a rendition, you can give your opinion of your property's value and you record your correct mailing address so your tax bills will go to the right address. The filing date may be extended 15 days if you ask for it in writing by the April 15th deadline.

ATTENTION: FARM AND RANCH OWNERS

You may be entitled to receive an alternate method of appraisal on land used to produce crops or livestock that is currently devoted principally to agricultural use. An application or additional information is available from the Central Appraisal District, Box 467, Haskell, TX 79521. Refiling is only necessary if you are requested to do so by the Chief Appraiser.

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Obituaries

John Howard Reding



HOWARD REDING

Funeral services for John Howard Reding, 78, of Haskell were held Tues., Jan. 16 at First Baptist Church in Haskell with Dr. Troy Culpepper

officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Reding died Sat., Jan. 13 at his home.

Born June 10, 1922 in Killeen, he was in the Army Airforce during World War II. He married Pauline Gaines Dec. 16, 1944 in Greenville. She preceded him in death July 10, 1989. He married Virginia Land in 1991. He was a farmer and also worked in construction. He was a member of First Baptist Church where he attended the Ready Sunday School class.

Two children preceded him in death, Billy Howard Reding and Judy Kay Reding.

Survivors include his wife, Virginia Land, of Haskell; one son, James Reding of Seymour; one daughter, Jane Reding of Austin; one sister, Joyce Thomas of Haskell; two grandchildren, Tammy McDorman and Stacie Owen; and three great grandchildren, Conner McDorman, Hanna McDorman and Bailee Owen.

Pallbearers were Bob Gray, Melvin Hill, Wayne Cadenhead, Robert Tribbey, Dan Griffith and Wayne Wainscott. Honorary pallbearers were Billy Mayfield and The Ready Sunday School class.

PD. NOTICE

Waid Blair, Sr.

Funeral services for Waid Blair Sr., 80, of Haltom City were held Thurs., Jan. 4 in Mount Olivet Chapel. Burial was in Mount Olivet Cemetery under the direction of Mount Olivet Funeral Home.

Mr. Blair died Mon., Jan. 1 at his home.

Born Jan. 20, 1920 in Haskell, he was the first child of Arthur L. and Alma Blair. He served with the 13th Army Air Forces 3 1/2 years in the Pacific during World War II. He married Audrey Hise, of Haskell. He rejoined the Air Force in 1947 and retired in 1964 as a chief master sergeant. During that time he served as Crew Chief on B-36's flying out of Carswell. He and three other crew members survived a mid-air collision in 1951 and soon after that he transferred to maintenance quality control with the new B-52's. After retirement, Waid worked for Bell

Helicopter, helped write the technical manual for the F-111 and then owned and operated a Mexican import store. He was a member of Haltom Road Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Audrey, of Haltom City; one son and daughter-in-law, Waid Jr. and Candy Blair of Flower Mound; one daughter and son-in-law, Lynette and Wayne Shimm of Haltom City; grandchildren, Geoffrey and Graeme Blair, Wendy Stirling, and Amy Gale; great-grandchildren, Brandon Genery, Trace and Angel Gale; two brothers, Charles and Kenneth Blair of Haskell; four sisters, Joyce Russ and Wilma 'Sis' Minnis both of Haltom City, Earline Dugan of Odessa and Shirley Freeman of Aspermont; and numerous nieces and nephews.

PD. NOTICE

Susie Naufleet Strickland

Funeral services for Susie Naufleet Strickland, 85, of Haskell were held Sat., Jan. 13 at First Assembly of God Church in Haskell with Rev. J. C. Amburn and Rev. Paul Chambers officiating. Burial was in Rochester Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Strickland died Wed., Jan. 10 at a local care home.

Born Oct. 17, 1915 in Alvarado, she married Buster L. Strickland Oct. 15, 1932 in Granfield, Okla. He preceded her in death Nov. 4, 1979. She was a resident of Haskell and a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by three grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Survivors include three sons, Leroy Strickland of Hawley, Phillip Strickland of Haskell and Jerry Strickland of Merkel; three daughters, Omilene Amoneff of Haskell, Joann Solomon of Abilene and Vicki Medford of Haskell; twelve grandchildren, 24 great grandchildren and five great great grandchildren.

Pallbearers were grandsons, Rodney Amoneff, Jeff Strickland, Shannon Strickland, Kendall Medford, Chris Medford and Garland Medford.

PD. NOTICE

Area winners listed for Tri-Area Livestock show

Local winners from the Tri-Area Livestock Show in Stamford, held Saturday, are as follows:

Grand Champion Breeding Rabbit - Britta Manske, California Creek 4-H

Reserve Champion Breeding Rabbit - Amy Huggins, California Creek 4-H

Grand Champion Fryer Rabbit - Britta Manske, California Creek 4-H

Reserve Champion Fryer Rabbit - Amy Huggins, California Creek 4-H

Lightweight Market Steers - 1. Courtney Buerger, Haskell County 4-H

Heavyweight Market Steers - 3. Courtney Buerger, Haskell County 4-H

Grand Champion Breeding Swine - Clay Ender, Paint Creek FFA

Reserve Champion Breeding Swine - Jody Smith, Paint Creek FFA

Breeding Swine - 1. Clay Ender, Paint Creek FFA 2. Jody Smith, Paint Creek FFA 3. Bronc Davis, Paint Creek FFA

Champion Berkshire - Brittany Lammert, Stamford FFA

Champion Chester White - Clay Ender, Paint Creek FFA

Heavyweight Chester White - 1. Clay Ender, Paint Creek FFA

Champion Duroc - Brittany Lammert, Stamford FFA

Lightweight Duroc - 1. Brittany Lammert, Stamford FFA

Lightweight Hampshire - 1. Kandis Daniel, Paint Creek FFA 2. Randy Jensen, Paint Creek FFA

Landrace - 3. Britta Manske, California 4-H

Champion Spotted Poland - Clay Ender, Paint Creek FFA

Lightweight Spotted Poland - 1. Clay Ender, Paint Creek FFA

Heavyweight Yorkshire - 2. Britta Manske, California Creek 4-H

Reserve Champion Cross - Bronc Davis, Paint Creek FFA

Lightweight Cross - 1. Tammy Daniel, Paint Creek FFA 2. Lee Taylor Wilson, Paint Creek FFA 3. Johnny Baldwin, Paint Creek FFA

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Wittenborn speaks at EEA meeting

The Haskell unit of the Texas Extension Education Association met in the County Extension kitchen for their January meeting. Fourteen club members were present.

The program, entitled The Master Gardener Program, was presented by Melyn Wittenborn. Wittenborn spoke on her favorite topic and was a very interesting and enthusiastic speaker. She helped with information concerning native plants and how to add peat moss, humus and other ingredients to the soil for better growth.

Shared information was butterfly plants, identifying toxic plants, key to soil texture, home lawn irrigation during drought conditions and lists of plants which would thrive in Haskell County.

The Master Gardener Program was held recently in Haskell and

many local people have now finished the class. They are doing volunteer work in the community as part of their education requirements. A slide presentation showed local homes with landscaping by Melyn and anyone interested in learning more about increasing the beauty in their surroundings, should contact Melyn Wittenborn, a talented resource.

Following the program, refreshments were served by Sharon Lefevre, as projects for the year were discussed.

The E. E. A. are sponsors of the concession stand at the County Livestock Show to be held Jan. 26 and 27. All are welcome to come and eat and help the group increase their funds, as the proceeds go to 4-H scholarships.

Paul Friske brings Art Club program

The Brazos West Art Association met Mon., Jan. 8 in the Haskell National Bank community room.

Peggy Middlebrook, president, welcomed 12 members and 1 guest, Jeanie Richards.

After a short business meeting, guest artist, Paul Friske, was introduced.

Paul Friske, well-known Abilene artist, did a portrait using pastels and while he painted he gave many hints and tricks of the trade.

Doris Jordan and Denia Cunningham, hostesses, served snacks.

The next meeting will be Feb. 12 with Becky Tubbs, Anson artist.

Hannsz shares ideas with Garden Club

The Haskell Garden Club met Thurs., Jan. 11 in the Haskell National Bank Building.

A brief business meeting was called to order by President Sue Hertel.

Following a short business meeting, Sharon Lusk introduced guest Grace Hannsz, who gave a wonderful informative program on drying flowers and using wedding invitations and announcements in frames. Everyone enjoyed her beautiful ideas.

Refreshments were served by Bernice Rhoads, Erna Peiser and Mary Kammenga.

Sixteen members answered roll call. Attending were Margie Dornier, Florence Peden, Wilma Pruett, Erna Peiser, Bernice Rhoads, Sue Hertel, Sharon Lusk, Ruby Holt, Mary Kammenga, Melyn Wittenborn, Joan Grantt, Hazel Hale, Betty LeFevre, Julia Harrell, Frances Bowen and guest Grace Hannsz.



CALENDAR ART—Paint Creek student Christopher Hobbs proudly displays his winning poster that was chosen for inclusion in the 2001 National Aviation Department's calendar.

Hobbs artwork on calendar

The artwork of Christopher Hobbs, junior student at Paint Creek, has been selected to be the July picture on the National Aviation Department 2001 calendar.

With the theme of "America: Flying to the Future," the colorful red, white and blue poster features a plane flying in front of a waving American flag. The young artist is the son of Tammy Hobbs of

Haskell.

Posters for publication in the calendar are selected each year from posters submitted by students from around the state. The annual contest is sponsored by the National Department of Transportation, Aviation Department. Anyone interested in obtaining one of the 2001 calendars may contact Ginny Kloog at Paint Creek School.

Homers to celebrate anniversary

Relatives and friends of Philip and Helen Kimbrough Homer are invited to attend a reception honoring their 25th anniversary, Sat., Jan 27 at the Munday First Baptist Church.

Hosted by members of the family, the reception will be held in the church Fellowship Hall from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. They are requesting no gifts, please.

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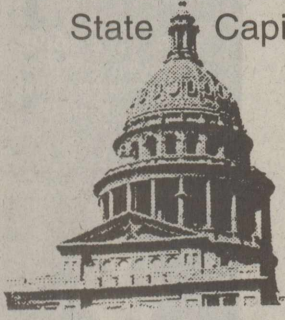
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OPINION

State Capital



HIGHLIGHTS

By Mike Cox
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN—If you're a state employee hoping for a sizable pay raise, don't go out and order that new bass boat just yet.

For that matter, anyone with a stake in state spending—highway contractors to heads of state agencies—needs to wait until the proverbial chickens hatch.

The 2002-2003 biennial revenue estimate released last week by the Comptroller shows the state budget is going to be even tighter than expected.

Texas should collect \$106.8 billion in revenue from all sources during the biennium and other million dollar tidbits should raise the total kitty to about \$109 billion.

But of that amount, more than 40 percent is already dedicated for major items like schools, highways and various federal programs. After that, the available portion of the pie just gets smaller and smaller.

The difference between what is available and what needs to be spent to support existing state programs is \$1 billion. That seems like a lot until \$700 million in unexpected costs is subtracted.

Bottom line, at least the bottom line at this early stage of the legislative session, is only \$300 million left for new programs.

Those new programs would be anything any agency has asked for above the last budget, such as pay raises for state workers, additional employees, construction, whatever.

The economic picture

Lost in the news coverage of the overall revenue picture was another element of the Comptroller's report—the 2002-2003 state economic outlook.

The report declared Texas' economy "by general measures healthy" but said the economy has slowed "consistent with recent national trends."

Texas' gross state product

(GSP) will drop from a 6 percent annual growth rate to 5 percent this year and 4 percent during the 2002-03 biennium. In other words, Texas will be enjoying less of more. The economy still will be growing, just not as fast.

Of course, if government economic analysts were right all the time, they should be making millions in the stock market, not working for the state.

The report does note that at least three things could have an adverse affect on Texas' economy in 2002-2003: High oil prices (with a negative impact on the transportation industry and the general public); weakness in the European community's euro; and any miscalculation by the Federal Reserve in its tweaking of interest rates.

While these are potential problems, the report concluded, "the probability of any of them seriously impairing state economic growth over the next three fiscal years remains fairly low."

What's the number for 911?

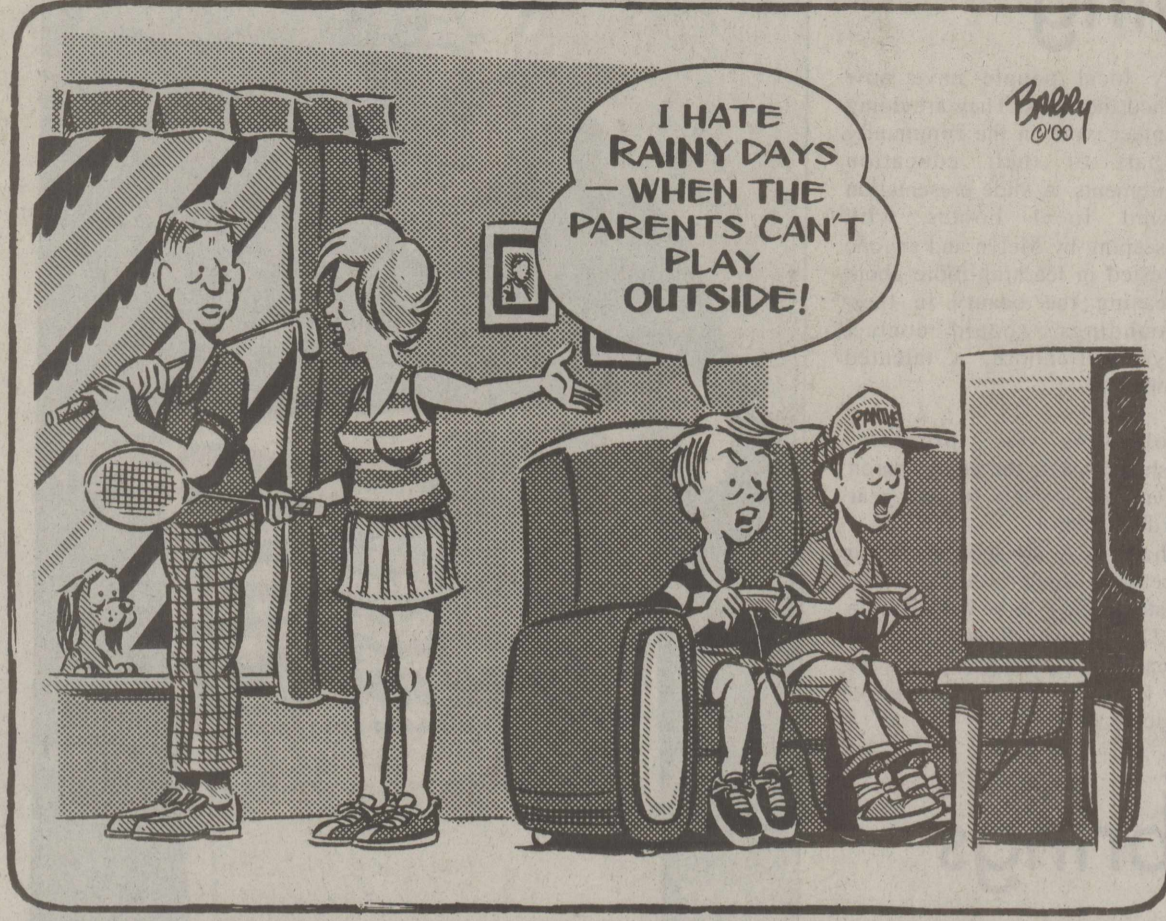
Anyone who's ever called a government agency knows that the first person to answer the phone usually doesn't know anything about what you're interested in.

In the not-too-distant future, however, it's going to be easier to get helpful governmental information by dialing one three-digit number.

Someday, in addition to existing 411 and 911 services, citizens will be able to call 211 for non-emergency health and community services information or 311 for non-emergency local governmental services.

If funding is made available, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission will coordinate the 211 community services program.

Currently only Connecticut and Georgia have 211 systems in place.



Ask the AG

By John Cornyn, Attorney General

Q: I've heard that people can get all kinds of personal information about me from the government through the open records law. Is this true?

A: We all give personal information to government entities for a wide variety of purposes: applying for a driver's or professional license, recording the purchase of a house, filing a claim for unemployment benefits, or obtaining a marriage license. While much of this information has been long available to the public, in the past the records were primarily kept on paper and stored in filing cabinets at our state agencies, courthouses, and city halls. It was simply impractical to obtain or use this information on a large scale.

In recent years, however, the Internet, computerized databases, and other advances in technology have made sensitive personal information widely accessible and easy to compile and distribute. These advances have also opened up new avenues for misuse of this information.

The Texas Legislature writes the laws that govern access to public records and open meetings in Texas. It has the responsibility for striking a balance between personal privacy and open government. The Legislature works to ensure that the law keeps pace with advances in technology.

During its last session, the Legislature addressed several aspects

of openness in the Internet age, including the posting of meeting notices and broadcasting public meetings on the Internet. It also took steps to ensure access to electronic records held by public agencies.

At the same time, the Legislature acted to safeguard privacy by forbidding the release of certain kinds of personal information about crime victims, student loan borrowers, applicants for professional licenses, and law enforcement officers who died in the line of duty. It also modified the part of the law shielded trade secrets and certain types of commercial and financial information that businesses file with public agencies.

This year, the Legislature may consider additional ways to safeguard personal privacy while maintaining openness and access to public records. You may wish to share your views about this issue with your state representative and senator. If you need assistance in determining who your legislators are, you can contact your county tax assessor/collector's office or use the "Who Represents Me" feature on the Texas Legislature Online Web site at www.capitol.state.tx.us.

Q: Who enforces the State's open government laws?

A: The Office of the Attorney General is responsible for ensuring that Texas government is open and

accessible to all citizens. Our Open Records Division issues rulings and decisions that determine whether information is open to the public under the Public Information Act and other applicable laws. The division also takes action to enforce these decisions and sponsors conferences to educate citizens and government officials about the State's open government laws.

The Open Records Division also operates an Open Government Hotline. The Hotline staff specialize in both the Public Information

Act and the Open Meetings Act. These investigators can answer questions regarding these laws and can help resolve disputes involving open government laws. However, the Hotline cannot provide legal advice to private citizens or governmental entities. The Hotline can be reached at (512) 478-OPEN (6736) or toll-free at (877) OPEN TEX (673-6839).

My office also issues advisory legal opinions on the interpretation and implementation of the Open Meetings Act. However, district courts have jurisdiction over criminal violations of the Open Meetings Act. The local prosecutor may also file a lawsuit against a governmental body for violation of the Public Information Act. If you believe the Open Meetings Act or the Public Information Act has been violated, contact your local district attorney or criminal district attorney.

Letters to the editor

Dear Editor,
The Haskell County Child Welfare Board would like to thank those who made donations of money, clothes and toys for our annual Christmas giveaway.

This year in Haskell County, sixty families and 148 children received gifts of clothes and toys distributed by the Child Welfare Board. These gifts were made possible by the donations of many groups and individuals in our county.

The Haskell County Child Welfare Board extends our most sincere thanks to all those who helped bring Christmas to needy children in our community.

Haskell Co. Child Welfare Board

To the Editor,

Pastors Rich and Mary Ann Palma of O'Brien, have received an invitation to the inauguration of the President and Vice President of the United States. Rich is the Republican Party Chairman for Haskell County, and his wife Mary Ann is the Precinct 7 Judge in O'Brien.

The Palmas are greatly excited and honored to be invited to the Presidential Inaugural Ceremony, the Presidential Inaugural Parade, the Inaugural Ball, and all the other events that will be going on there in Washington, D. C. We wish that all those dedicated, hard working Republican precinct workers, judges, alternates, clerks and volunteers could take our place and attend this once-in-a-lifetime event instead of us.

We went to the Lord in prayer about going to the Inauguration and everything that is happening right now, and the Lord showed us that we were putting flesh, man and special events before the Lord and the church needs. Yes, our God is a jealous God, and we must put him, the church and the church's needs first.

We found ourselves being caught up in the flesh by all the extravaganza, glitter, prestige, popularity, special events and ceremonies of grandeur, rather than what the Lord put us here to do—and that is to preach His word, and win lost souls for His kingdom. To go out and pray for our brothers and sisters in Christ at hospitals, homes and prisons. To help with food, clothing, run errands for the elderly and disabled, to love neighbor, brothers and sisters, and enemies, and to forgive one another. Just as Jesus would want you to! Please, put the Lord Jesus Christ first in your life! You must!

We ask that you all pray for our new President and Vice-President, our great nation, our local governments, and our young people. May the good Lord bless each and every one of you!

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From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago January 17, 1991

Dr. Frank Cadenhead was the recipient of the first "Life Service Award" given by the Taylor-Jones-Haskell Medical Society during a banquet at the Abilene Country Club.

The Haskell Maidens won 74-60 over Jim Ned. Sheila Unger scored a season high 38 points and Misty Bartley scored 12.

The Weinert Extension Homemakers Club met in the home of Jimmie Weinert. The club voted to make a quilt for the Rehab

Center in Abilene with Cordie Cunningham and Estalynn Liles on the quilt committee.

20 Years Ago January 15, 1981

Approximately 375 persons attended the annual cornbread and bean supper sponsored annually by the Haskell County Junior Livestock Association to raise funds to support the annual livestock show.

A total of 68 units of blood was donated during the recent blood drive. Gwen Unger received a certificate for donating one gallon of blood during past visits of the bloodmobile.

Evelyn L. Mayfield, a 1966 graduate of Weinert High School, received a Certificate of Merit Award from the Dallas Police Department for supervising a narcotic operation in Dallas' largest high school.

30 Years Ago January 21, 1971

Charley Franklin and Clifford Campbell made the Texas Sports Writers' Association Class AA All-State first team with teammate Wayne Davis was named to the second team.

Marvin Pheister, Harlan Weinert of Weinert, J. W. Aycock of Haskell and Weldon Norman of

Rule attended the Farm Bureau legislative conference in Austin.

Jim Ballard of Rochester swept the sheep division of the Rochester Junior Livestock Show winning all four places and the grand champion and reserve champion.

40 Years Ago January 19, 1961

Dr. Wm. J. Kemp, Haskell dentist and active Legionnaire, has been appointed to a committee of the National American Legion.

Five Haskell businessmen and civic leaders attended a meeting of the Water Resources Committee of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce in Big Spring. Attending the meeting were Dr. T. W. Williams, John Kimbrough, Bob Herren, Roy Johnson and Tom Barfield.

The Tri-County Cutting Horse Association was organized at a meeting held at the Rochester Rodeo Arena by a number of cutting horse owners of this area. Felix Mullino of Rochester was elected president; Delbert LeFevre of Sagerton, vice president; and Mrs. Dixie Jones of Stamford, secretary and treasurer.

50 Years Ago January 18, 1951

Members of the Liberty Home

Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. Herbert Ray. Mrs. J. F. Ragsdale was elected president and Mrs. J. B. Marr, vice president.

Remodelling and rearrangement of the new car showrooms and office quarters of Pitman Motor Company was completed this week. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Pitman invite the public to visit the newly remodelled building and look at the new 1951 Dodge cars.

The new Drive In Snack Bar No. 2, located south of Bynum Service Station on the Stamford highway, will open soon. Mrs. J. E. Bullock will manager the business.

90 Years Ago January 21, 1911

Leonard Mauldin has returned from El Paso and is now with Sutherland Barber Shop of this city.

T. M. Smith, local agent for the Adams Express Company, has been transferred to Quanah.

James E. Walling, Jr., is a new arrival in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Walling of this city.

Miss Julia Winn is spending the week in Seymour. She is the guest of Mrs. R. C. Lewis.

A. H. Alexander and Postmaster John H. Baker made a business trip to Ft. Worth.



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Students in the News

Sarah R. Cothron and Daisy R. Cothron, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Cothron of Haskell, are among the 938 Harding University students included on the school's Dean's List for grades achieved during the fall semester at the university.

The Dean's List is published each semester by Dr. Neale Pryor, vice president of academic affairs, honoring those who have achieved high scholarship. To be eligible, a student must be carrying 12 or more hours and have an average scholarship level of 3.65 minimum.

Sarah is a senior majoring in Spanish; Daisy is a sophomore majoring in advertising. Both girls attended Haskell High School before entering Harding.

Philip D. Huff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Huff of Haskell and Dacia G. Carter, daughter of Mrs. Lisa Milburn of Haskell are among the 938 Harding University students included on the school's Dean's List for grades achieved during the fall semester at the university.

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Huff, a junior majoring in mathematics, attended ACU before entering Harding.

Carter is a senior majoring in elementary education.

Baby's room can be too hot for comfort

Parents of infants often worry that their babies will get cold on winter nights. But heat can be just as dangerous as cold.

One risk factor for Sudden Death Syndrome, or SIDS, is overheating, but a British research organization says many parents don't know this and they may underestimate the temperature in their infants' bedrooms.

The Foundation for the Study of Infant Deaths found that more than half of parents with infants didn't know the proper temperature for a baby's bedroom. Less than half the parents accurately estimated the temperature in the room and most didn't have a thermometer in the room. A baby's room should be kept between 61 and 68 degrees Fahrenheit.

Doctors at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas also recommend against wrapping an infant in a heavy blanket for sleep. Not only might the child become overheated, but it also could get tangled in the blanket or smother.

Doctors still don't understand all the causes of SIDS, but they do know that you can help reduce the risk by putting babies to sleep on their backs, by avoiding smoking near the baby, by not covering the baby's head during sleep and by keeping the room at the proper temperature so the baby doesn't overheat.

Invest in a thermometer so you can be sure you're keeping the room at the right temperature and remember that your baby's internal thermostat is different from yours.

Baby bath can be fun

With planning and patience, bath time can be fun for parents and baby.

According to Dr. Teri Turner, a pediatrician at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston, short baths can be given two to three times a week once the baby's umbilical cord falls off.

Select a warm, draft-free room and have a towel and other supplies close by. Place a few inches of warm water in a towel-lined sink or plastic baby tub. Use a soft

washcloth or sponge and mild soap. Gently wash and rinse one part of your baby at a time, being sure to clean the folds of skin, under the arms and between fingers and toes. Shampoo your baby's hair, as needed, with a mild baby shampoo.

Always keep one hand on your baby and never leave him or her alone in the bath. After bathing, place your baby in a towel and gently pat dry.

Give your child a boost

Children who have outgrown their car safety seats pose special safety concerns when riding in vehicles.

"Children who weigh between 35 and 80 pounds—generally 4- to 8-year olds—need to use booster seats for maximum safety," said Dr. Jerald Zarin, medical director of Texas Children's Health Plan at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston.

A booster seat raises the child

so the vehicle lap and shoulder belts fit well. Children who are not in booster seats tend to put the shoulder strap behind them, increasing the risk of injury in a crash.

Be sure to select the appropriate booster for your vehicle's back seat and read all instructions before installing.

Visit Texas Children's Web site at www.texaschildrenshospital.org for more details.

Expand a child's mind by reading

by Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
Between the covers of a book a child can discover endless possibilities. It is never too soon to begin reading to a child.

Through reading, parents not only provide loving interaction for children, they also expand the child's world of learning. Experts suggest parents should start reading to children when they are as young as a few months old. Babies can look at pictures and listen to a parent's voice. Those older than eight months can even point to pictures in a book. Reading

provides opportunities for parents to bond with their children both emotionally and physically because most young children like to sit on laps when reading.

Starting at a young age also helps children develop listening skills and build their vocabulary bank. Even though they may not write or spell yet, they can recognize syllables and learn the meanings of words.

By reading to children, parents can cultivate the love of reading in their young children and provide them with a lifetime of knowledge.

Hydration is important for older adults

by Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
Water is an essential nutrient that every cell, tissue and organ of the body needs. Healthy adults of all ages need at least 8 cups of water every day. However, older adults are prone to drinking less fluids and becoming dehydrated. One of the most frequent causes of hospitalization for people over the age of 65 is dehydration.

Decreased thirst is common in older adults, especially those with a mental or physical incapacity. These adults often do not perceive thirst in the same way that a

younger person does and cannot rely on thirst as an indicator of their need for a drink.

A good way to ensure adequate hydration is to eat foods with a high water content such as soups and milkshakes. Older adults should always carry a bottle of water with them, especially during the summer months.

Older adults should watch for signs of dehydration, such as thirst, fatigue and headaches. Drinking eight glasses of water each day will help to keep older adults healthy and independent.

Peeling off the years

You don't have to be a Hollywood star to consider plastic surgery. Today there are treatments for nearly every facial imperfection, not to mention complexion type, work schedule, or pain threshold. Chemical peel was the most common cosmetic procedure performed in 1999, according to the American Society of Aesthetic Plastic Surgery.

Dr. Rod Rohrich, chairman of plastic surgery at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, recommends chemical peels for minor imperfections like blotches, enlarged pores, or fine lines around eyes and mouth as the first step to offset the aging process beginning in the thirties. Chemical peels strip off the top layers of skin and new younger-looking skin grows back.


"The most immediate result that people notice is that their skin feels smoother and softer," Rohrich says. "Wrinkles are less noticeable, uneven skin tones seem to be more even and overall the skin has a

younger looking, fresher appearance."

A strong skin peel using trichloroacetic acid should be performed by a physician and requires about one week to heal. Lighter peels use high concentrations of alpha hydroxy or beta hydroxy acids and can be done by an aesthetician, with little recovery time required.

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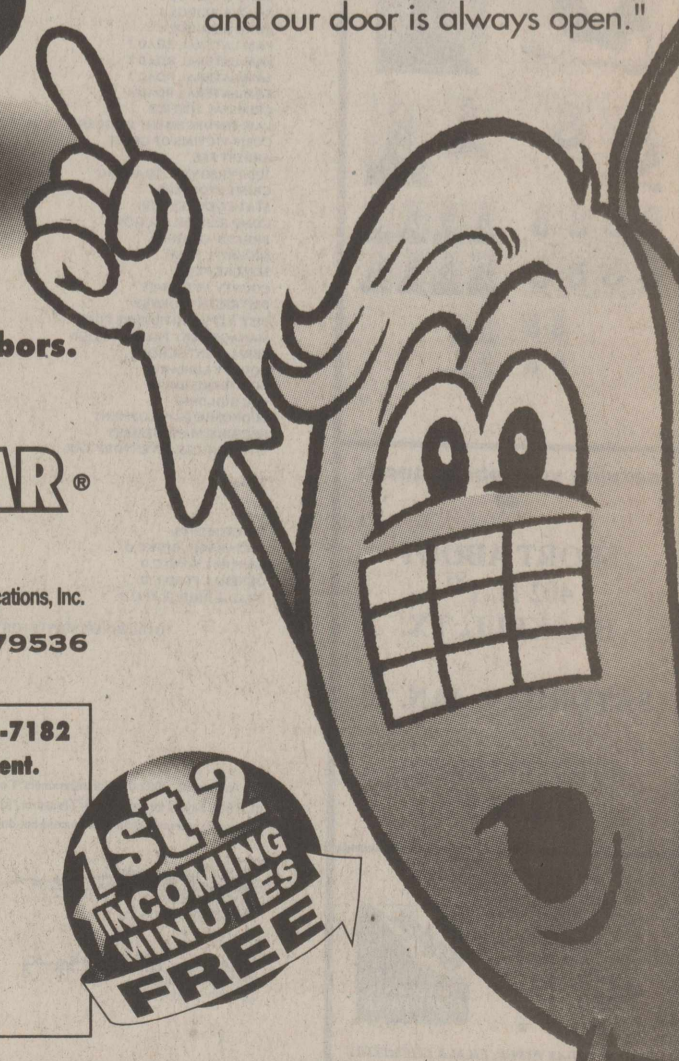
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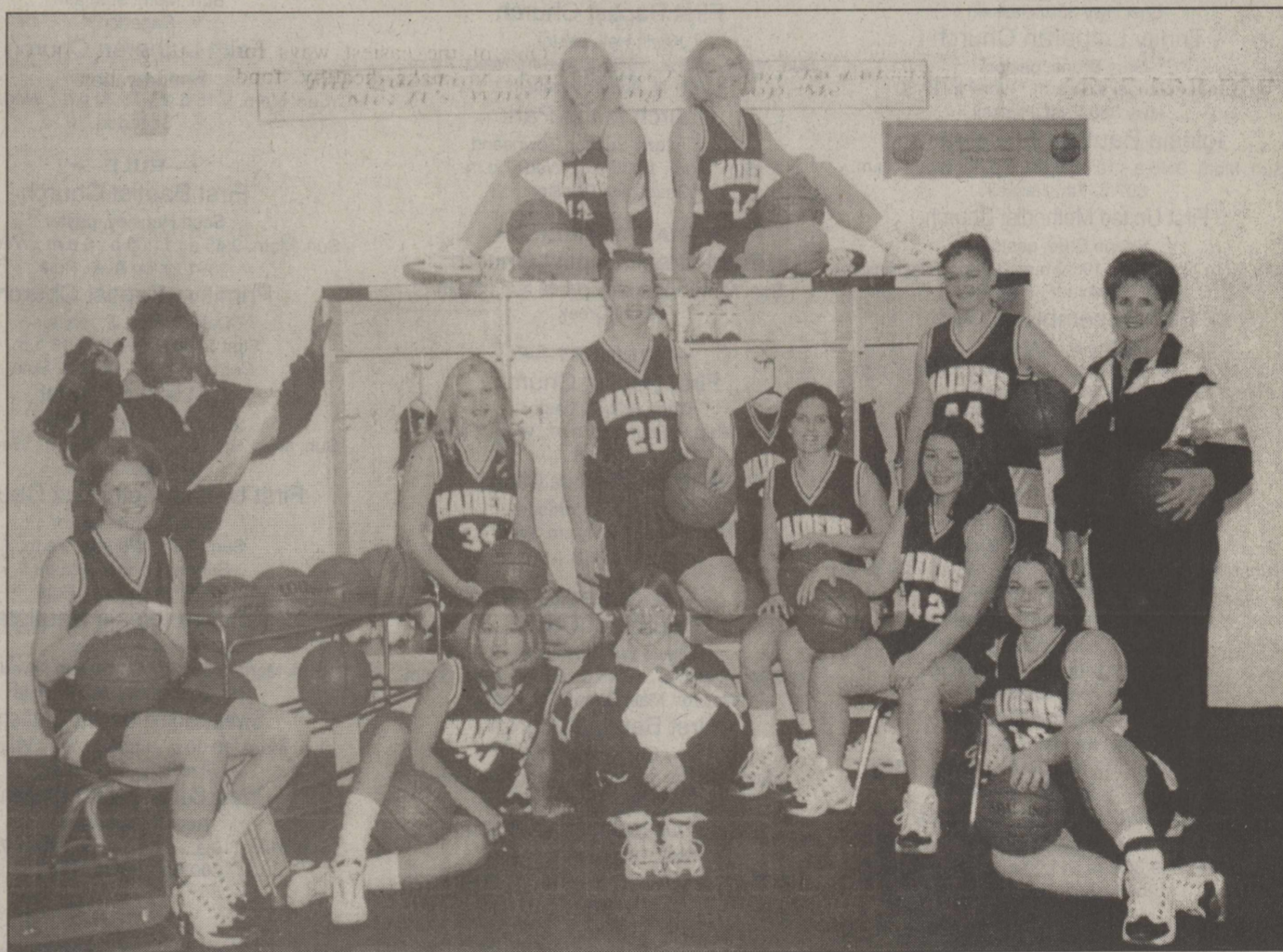
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Area Basketball scores

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Scoring for Haskell: Wallace 13, T. Lindsey 9, Thompson 6, Harlan 3, Buerger 3, Phemister 3, Price 2, B. Lindsey 1.
JV Score - Haskell 22, Anson 20.

Albany 67, Haskell 63
Scoring by quarters: Albany 9, 19, 19, 20. Haskell 11, 17, 21, 14.
Scoring for Haskell: Thompson 20, T. Lindsey 14, Price 13, Wallace 12, Phemister 4.
JV Score - Haskell 32, Albany 25.

Rising Star 54, Paint Creek 34
Scoring by quarters: Rising Star 8, 18, 14, 14. Paint Creek 11, 14, 2, 7.
Scoring for Paint Creek: Hearn 14, Wade 8, Brzozowski 5, Isbell 4, Walton 2, Gonzales 1.

Aspermont 40, Rule 33
Scoring by quarters: Aspermont 12, 11, 6, 11. Rule 5, 8, 9, 11.
Scoring for Rule: Lehrmann 10, McDuff 9, Lisle 8, Marquis 6.

Knox City 72
Rochester 32

Scoring by quarters: Knox City 25, 14, 16, 17. Rochester 1, 8, 9, 14.
Scoring for Rochester: Turner 9, Byrd 7, Stoddard 6, Garcia 3, Flores 4, Martinez 2, Penman 1.
JV Score - Knox City 47, Rochester 37.

Boys
Anson 52, Haskell 51
Scoring by quarters: Anson 15, 12, 11, 14. Haskell 13, 12, 14, 12.
Scoring for Haskell: Lindsey 12, Garcia 9, Z. McGuire 6, Goudeau 5, Palacios 5, Hunt 4, Loyd 4, Webb 2, C. McGuire 2, Huff 2.

JV Score - Haskell 46, Anson 28.

Haskell 61, Albany 48
Scoring by quarters: Haskell 19,

9, 17, 16. Albany 16, 12, 10, 8.
Scoring for Haskell: Garcia 10, Webb 9, Hunt 8, Huff 7, Goudeau 6, Loyd 6, Lindsey 6, C. McGuire 4, Palacios 3, Threet 2.
JV Score - Haskell 41, Albany 37.

Rising Star 54, Paint Creek 34
Scoring by quarters: Rising Star 13, 11, 15, 15. Paint Creek 12, 6, 3, 13.
Scoring for Paint Creek: Hise 16, Hobbs 9, Medford 5, Biba 4.

Aspermont 99, Rule 28
Scoring by quarters: Aspermont 26, 20, 24, 29. Rule 10, 8, 5, 5.
Scoring for Rule: Hensley 14, Murray 7, Coker 6, Flores 1.

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Haskell School Menu

Jan. 22-26 Breakfast

Juice and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.
Monday: Cereal
Tuesday: Breakfast burrito
Wednesday: Breakfast pizza
Thursday: Sausage & biscuit w/cheese
Friday: School holiday

Lunch

A choice of baked potato with choice of topping or a salad bar is offered daily at the Secondary

campus. Ala-carte line offered daily Secondary only. Snack bar Wednesday only—Secondary. Milk and iced tea are served daily at the Secondary campus. Milk is served daily at the Elementary School.
Monday: Cheeseburger macaroni, English peas, fried squash, hot biscuit, ice cream

Tuesday: Corndogs, pork and beans, macaroni and cheese, fresh apple

Wednesday: Chicken strips w/gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, fruit salad

Thursday: Ham and cheese sandwich, pickle spear, chips, orange

Friday: School holiday

This Week's Devotional Message:



THROUGH THE EYES OF FAITH WE SEE LIFE MORE CLEARLY

Your eyes are your windows of the world you live in, through which you are able to observe your surroundings, recognize your fellow beings, perform your everyday tasks and follow the pathway of your life. They enable you to concentrate on a single object or person, or scan every detail of the panorama within your field of vision.

You can develop your powers of observation so as to enjoy the natural beauty of God's creation whenever you step out of doors, and you can also quickly identify a situation that should be remedied or a person in need of your help. At the Church of your choice you will learn to see all the good things of this world through the eyes of faith.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

—HASKELL—

- East Side Baptist Church**
David Page, pastor
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- Christian Church**
Dusty Garison, minister
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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.m.
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.m.
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—

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Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.
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—ROCHESTER—

Church of Christ

Steve Willis, 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 Culppepper, pastor
Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m.
500 Main, Rochester

Union Chapel Baptist Church

Rev. Clarence Walker
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Rochester

Faith Chapel of Rochester

Katherine Byrd, minister
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m.
Hwy 6, Rochester

First United Methodist Church

Dolan Brinson, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
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

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First & Third Sundays 10 a.m.
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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

Primera Iglesia Bautista

Artuo Jr. Flores
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.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.
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Wed., Jan. 24

11:00 a.m. Outreach Health Services blood pressure check
Lunch-Hamburger, baked beans, tomatoes, lettuce, pickles, onions, fruit cobbler, milk, tea or coffee

Fri., Jan. 26

Lunch-Steak, gravy, corn, potatoes, greens, rice pudding with raisins, bread, milk, tea or coffee
Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.

All over 60 are invited to come and eat. Call 864-3875 for transportation to the center or for home delivered lunches for the sick or disabled.

TAX PLANNING

Written By
Gerald Rodgers, CPA

NOTE YOUR 2001 TAX DEADLINES

Mark these dates as red letter days on your 2001 calendar if any of the following upcoming tax deadlines apply to you or your business.

- **January 16:** Due date for the fourth and final installment of 2000 estimated tax (unless you file your 2000 return and pay any balance due by January 31).
- **January 31:** Employers must furnish W-2 statements to employees. 1099 information statements must be furnished to payees by banks, brokers, and other payors.
- **January 31:** Employers must file 2000 federal unemployment tax returns and pay any tax due.
- **February 28:** Payors must file information returns, such as 1099s, with the IRS. (April 2 is the deadline if filing electronically.)
- **February 28:** Employers must send W-2 copies to the Social Security Administration. (April 2 is the deadline if filing electronically.)
- **March 1:** Farmers and fishermen who did not make 2000 estimated tax payments must file 2000 tax returns and pay taxes in full.
- **March 15:** 2000 calendar-year corporation income tax returns are due.
- **April 16:** Individual income tax returns for 2000 are due unless you file for an automatic extension. Taxes owed are due regardless of extension.
- **April 16:** 2000 partnership information returns are due.
- **April 16:** 2000 annual gift tax returns are due.
- **April 16:** Deadline for making your 2000 IRA contribution.
- **April 16:** First installment of 2001 individual estimated tax is due.
- **June 15:** Second installment of 2001 individual estimated tax is due.
- **August 15:** Deadline for filing your 2000 individual tax return if you requested an extension of the April 16 filing deadline.
- **September 17:** Third installment of 2001 individual estimated tax is due.
- **September 17:** Deadline for filing your 2000 calendar-year corporation income tax return if you requested an extension of the March 15 filing deadline.

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NOTICE OF SALE FOR DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAXES Pursuant to that certain Tax Warrant, issued out of Cause No. 3, 077 in the County Court of Haskell County, Texas, styled Haskell County Appraisal District v. Sav-M Convenience Stores, Inc., the undersigned will proceed to sell, at public auction, certain items owned by Sav-M Convenience Stores, Inc.,

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The inventory to be sold includes certain foodstuffs and bottled soft drinks. Please note that the undersigned cannot warrant the fitness of such items for consumption. However, the undersigned is not aware of any reason that such inventory of foodstuffs and bottled drinks would be unfit for consumption.

The terms of the sale will be cash only. The bidding will commence for all of the above-described items, as one lot. Should no adequate bid be received for all such items as one lot, the undersigned will accept bids for separate lots.

Dated this 15th day of January, 2001.

Kenny Watson, Chief Appraiser Haskell County Appraisal District. 3c

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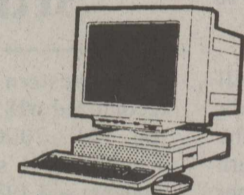
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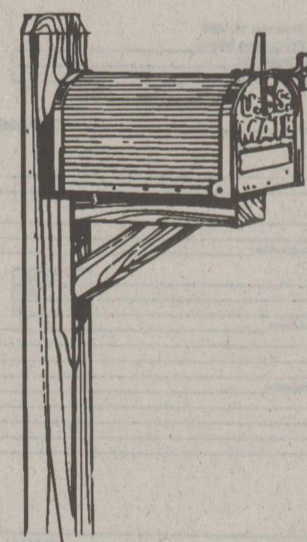
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We want to say "Thanks" to everyone for the phone calls, visits, food and all the help given and offered us while Andy was unable to do the work. It is so appreciated.

Love, Andy and LaQuita Wilfong

On behalf of the entire Castillo and Fernandez family, we would like to extend our deepest appreciation and gratitude to the entire Haskell community for all your support and assistance during our time of need. We would like to take this time, to thank the numerous church organizations, businesses, and friends for all your efforts and contributions in remembrance of our beloved Johnny Castillo Jr. Our family would like to thank everyone individually, but because of the overwhelming amount of support we received, we chose to do so collectively as not to leave anyone out.

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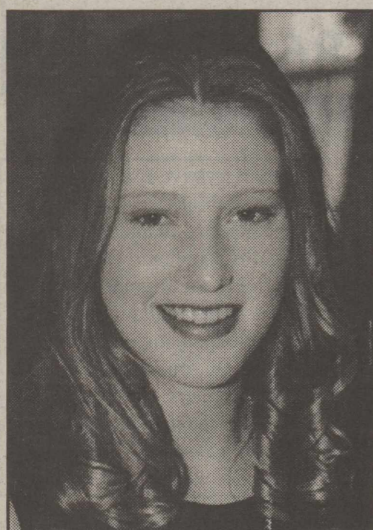
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Burgess to work in Washington



BREE BURGESS

By Mary Kaigler

When Texas A&M sophomore Bree Burgess left Haskell after the Christmas holidays it wasn't to go back to school. She was on her way to Washington, D. C., where she began a semester-long internship helping a United States Congressman make more informed decisions on agricultural and natural resource policy.

Policy Congressional Intern Program at the University. She will be serving in the offices of U. S. Representative Lamar Smith (R-Dist. 21). Smith is head of the House Ethics Committee and member of the House Immigration and Science Committees.

While attending A&M, the Haskell High School 1999 valedictorian has maintained a 4 grade point average. Vice president of Underwood Hall, she serves on the public relations committee of the Honor Student Council, serves as chair of Phi Eta Sigma, works as marketing research assistant for Branson research, works in the nursery at Grace Bible Church, and worked as staff assistant at "Big Event Day" when students volunteer to help the elderly.

Burgess' duties in Washington include monitoring legislation, attending committee hearings and briefings, preparing reports, and researching and responding to constituent requests.

For her internship she will receive six hours of course credit and a \$2,500 scholarship. At the end of this semester she will return to College Station to complete her undergraduate degree in Agricultural and Natural Resource



INNOVATIVE TEACHERS—Recipients of \$500 mini-grants from the Haskell Educational Foundation were, I-r, Kristi Gibson, for a "Learning Through Literature" program for early childhood, and Trish Johnson for a "How-To Writing with TAAS" program for first grade. The mini-grant is awarded to creative teachers each semester to enhance the learning atmosphere of their classrooms.

Students in the News

Midwestern State University recognized 698 honor students for the Fall 2000 semester. The school's Dean's List included 205 students and 493 students made the University Honor Roll.

To make the Dean's List, a student must complete a semester schedule of at least 12 hours with no grade lower than an "A." Named on the Dean's List is Christie Marie Chambers.

To make the University Honor Roll, a student must complete a semester of at least 12 hours with a minimum grade point average of 3.5 and no grade lower than a "C." Listed on the Honor Roll is Jodi Thigpen of Haskell.

Mary Kay Watson of Haskell, a student attending Angelo State

University in San Angelo, is listed on the Dean's List for the Fall semester at the University.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must be enrolled as a full time student and have at least a 3.25 grade point average.

Watson, is an Interdisciplinary Studies major at ASU. She is the daughter of Kenny and Doris Watson of Haskell.

Hospital

Admissions
Doris Martin, Haskell
Dismissals
Sylvia Roberts, John Rousseau, Leo Hengstenberg

Girl Scout cookie sale underway

Giraffes and lions and pandas...yum, yum. Giraffes and lions and pandas are just a few of the endangered animals you'll find in every box of Animal Treasures, the latest edition to the Girl Scout cookie line and the first introduced in celebration of the new millennium. A delicious combination of mouth-watering shortbread and rich fudge, each Animal Treasure cookie is embossed with an endangered animal.

Animal Treasures will be available through the Girl Scouts of the West Texas Girl Scout Council beginning Jan. 13 along with other perennial favorites: Thin Mints, Caramel deLites, Peanut Butter Sandwich, Shortbread, Peanut Butter Patties, Upside-down Frosted Oatmeal Cookies and Reduced Fat Lemon Pastry Cremes. All varieties will be sold for \$3.00 per box.

Good taste is just the beginning of what your \$3.00 buys. The cookie sale helps girls learn all kinds of important skills related to handling money, goal setting, teamwork, meeting the public and more. The girls are involved in every aspect of the sale- from planning to selling to deciding how the funds raised are spent. All money raised from the selling price

of every box of Girl Scout Cookies goes directly to support Girl Scouting in our local area. One of the things that make the Girl Scout Cookie Sale different from most youth fund-raisers is that a portion of the revenue goes directly to the troops so that the girls can make decisions on how it is spent.

Children and pets

As your toddler begins to explore new territory, make sure the "Do not disturb" sign is posted close to home - next to the family pet.

"Teach young children how to interact with pets," said Dr. Jan Drutz at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston. "Show them how to touch and hold your pet and when to leave it alone."

Children must learn that pets are living creatures, capable of feeling and inflicting pain. Families with small children should avoid exotic species, breeds that tend to be aggressive or pets that are kept in cages or open cases.

"Your first priority should be to maintain a safe environment for your child," said Drutz. "That may mean taking special precautions with your pet or postponing the purchase of a pet until your child is older."

Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

On Tues. eve Tiny Vaughn of Anson and Nan Priddy of Abilene dropped by for a short visit with Joyce. Tiny is Joyce's sister-in-law and Nan is her niece.

Mr. and Mrs. Cody Blair of Wichita Falls visited his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Charles Blair Thurs. and Fri.

Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Hawkins and children Michael and Brittney of Aspermont spent the weekend with his mother Joyce Hawkins. Sammy hurt his back on the job so is going to Abilene for treatments.

Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Tatum

and children Aubree and Caden visited his parents Mr. and Mrs. Billy Tatum and other relatives. They are in the process of moving to Hartley where he has a job at Dalhart with the feedlot.

Those who helped Amber Conn celebrate her 2nd birthday on Sun. were parents David and Deniece Conn and sister Sabrina, grandparents Dale and Doris Carroll of Weinert, aunts and uncles Julie and Cody Cochran, Dian Reed, Darlene Therwanger and Doug Carroll, cousins Audree Conn, Denton, Delyn and Delvin Reed.

Go Indians! Go Maidens!

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Statement of Resources and Liabilities

ASSETS		Debit Amounts in Thousands
Cash and balances due from depository institutions:		
Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin		3,041
Interest-bearing balances		0
Securities:		
Held-to-maturity securities		8,828
Available-for-sale securities		18,198
Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell		3,890
Loans and lease financing receivables:		
Loans and leases, net of unearned income	49,293	
LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses		851
LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve		0
Loans and leases, net of unearned income, allowance, and reserve		41,482
Trading Assets		0
Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases)		1,239
Other real estate owned		130
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies		0
Customer's liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding		0
Intangible assets		76
Other assets		2,360
Total assets		71,481
LIABILITIES		
Deposits:		
In domestic offices		89,804
Noninterest-bearing	10,824	
Interest-bearing	48,880	
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase		0
Trading liabilities		132
Other borrowed money (includes mortgage indebtedness and obligations under capitalized leases):		0
With a remaining maturity of one year or less		0
With a remaining maturity of more than one year through three years		0
With a remaining maturity of more than three years		0
Bank's liability on acceptances executed and outstanding		0
Subordinated notes and debentures		736
Other liabilities		0
Total liabilities		89,782
EQUITY CAPITAL		
Perpetual preferred stock and related surplus		0
Common stock		1,000
Surplus		1,000
Undivided profits and capital reserves		8,881
Net unrealized holding gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities		0
Accumulated net gains (losses) on cash flow hedges		0
Total equity capital		10,781
Total liabilities and equity capital		71,481

We, the undersigned directors, attest to the correctness of this statement of resources and liabilities. We declare that it has been examined by us, and to the best of our knowledge and belief has been prepared in conformity with the instructions and is true and correct.

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