# School's out ~ Watch for children playing

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### Commissioners appoint Water District Board

At the regular May 22 meeting of the Haskell County Commissioner's Court, four appointments were made to the Rolling Plains Conservation Water District Board. Re-appointed were Larry Short, Bill Thomas, Ed Murphy and Robert Ace Turner.

An Interlocal Agreement was approved for 911 calls between the Jones County Sheriff's Department, the Munday Emergency Medical Service and Haskell County.

Judge David Davis announced a safety meeting to be held at noon June 20 at the Precinct 1 barn for the county road hands, and at 1:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. for Courthouse employees.

Approval was given to the hiring of Joe Howard to work part time in Precinct 1 at the rate of \$7.00 per hour.

After consideration of a county retirement plan for 2001--2002, the Court voted to continue with the present plan.

#### Calendar

### Calf roping

A buckle series calf roping will be held at the Hanson Arena in Abilene. Sun., June 3 beginning at 1 p.m. For information call J. W. Wallace 864-3509 or Tim Layman

### Social Security

A representative from the Social Security Administration will be in Haskell at the old City Hall annex, 305 N. 1st, Thurs., June 7 at 9:30 a.m.

### Society to meet

The Haskell County Historical & Genealogical Society will meet June 4 in the First National Bank Community Room at 7 p.m. Marguerite Gauntt will present the history of Rochester.

### Storm sirens

The City of Haskell will test the storm sirens at noon on Fridays weather permitting.

### Paint Creek reunion

Lyla Mary (Mickler) Isbell is upgrading addresses of alumni for the upcoming Paint Creek Reunion. Addresses may be submitted to Mrs. Isbell at 705 N. Ave. E Apt. 3, Haskell, Texas 79521 or to TaTa@westex.net.

### Summer food program

Haskell CISD will sponsor the Summer Food Service program. Meals will be served at Haskell Elementary School Cafeteria from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday from Tues., May 29 through Fri., July 20. Those 18 and under may eat free. Adults will be charged \$2.50.

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# County Library moved to Hassen building

By Mary Kaigler After many months of extensive planning and negotiations in preparation for the eventual construction of a new Haskell County Library building at the

present site on Avenue E, the entire contents of the County Library were moved last week to the interim location in the Hassen building on North 1st Street.

Taking on the daunting task of

moving approximately twenty thousand books and periodicals, numerous computers and office equipment, the four County Commissioners, Johnny Scoggins, Bud Turnbow, Kenny Thompson and Tiffen Mayfield, and more than

a dozen county workers from their precincts, spent the day Thursday loading and unloading the books. Others helping move the books during the day were Dale Fisher and Travis Garison.

by Wal-Mart and Modern Way Food Store, under the supervision of Library Assistant Marilyn Griffith and Marie Kretschmer, workers loaded the books and wheeled them into the many cattle trailers that were backed up, blocking the side street for several hours. During the move, traffic on the north side of the Courthouse square was slowed as the workers unloaded the books at the new location before going back for another load.

Using large grocery carts donated

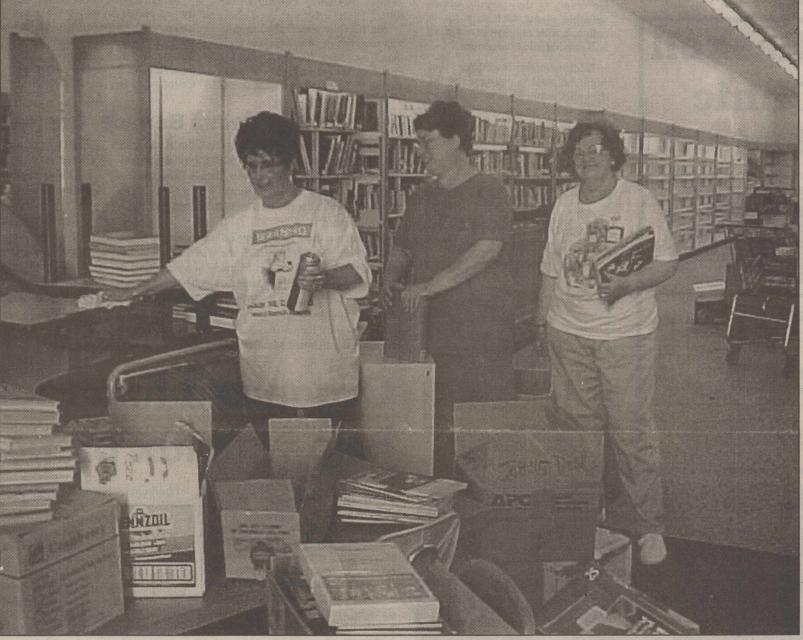
With all books moved, work continued Friday for Strickland and assistants Griffith and Kretschmer. On hand also were Commissioner Thompson, helping with the office equipment, and Randy Bowers of Computer Solutions, who set up the Automation System (card file), which uses two computers.

Making an impressive addition to the County facility, the twentyfour new computers, now situated down the open center of the Hassen building, were unpacked and installed on Wednesday. All are internet accessible. One computer features a Spanish keyboard, and one for the children's center features dozens of games. The new facility now has available two scanners and four printers, one in color. The library also has six or eight laptop computers which are available for use only through the school

With the space modified to meet the needs of housing the library, the building on the North side of the square, given to the Library Board by the Hassen family, is fast taking on the look and feel of a pleasent, well thought out, usable public

Considering all the many details involved, the County Library's move to the new location seems to have gone smoothly. Yet, the task of finishing up isn't over. Standing Friday amid boxes of related supplies still to be unpacked and assimilated into a workable situation, Librarian Strickland said the facility would not be open for business on the 29th of May as previously announced, (although it

is expected to be ready soon). However, with the front desk and the children's center conveniently located near the front door, the book shelves neatly laid out around the perimeter of the walls, and the computers lined up in a double row down the center, a few more days should be well worth the wait for any patron of the county's Library on the Square.



MOVING A LIBRARY-Haskell County Librarian Joan Strickland, left, and Library Assistants Marilyn Griffith and Marie Kretsch-

Dairy Queen under

mer, were busy Friday as they began getting it all put into place at the new location in the Hassen Building on North First Street.

# see increase

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander delivered \$297 million in monthly sales tax payments to 1,106 Texas cities and 119 counties, a 7.1 percent increase over the \$277.2 million allocated to cities and counties in May 2000. Year-to-date sales tax rebates are up 5.2 percent, compared to 2000.

May sales tax rebates represent sales taxes collected in March and reported to the Comptroller in

Haskell County had a 51.87 percent increase for May, 2001 of \$57,560.59 in comparison to \$37,899.62 for May, 2000. 2001 payments to date of \$158,315.94 reflect a 13.51 percent increase over

By Mary Kaigler

the local Dairy Queen in 1998, and

"being very favorably impressed

with the people in the area," they

say they jumped at the chance to

to Dairy Queen. In her twenty

years with the organization, Carol

Hedden has managed D.Qs. in

Ballinger, Sweetwater, Merkel and

Gavaun Hedden, who holds a

bachelor's degree in Business

Administration from McMurry

University, has worked three years

for Dairy Queen, He currently

Clyde, as well as in Haskell.

Nor are the Heddens newcomers

buy it when it became available.

2000 payments to date of \$139,470.97.

The City of Haskell had a 55.95 percent increase for May, 2001 of \$52,752.68 in comparison to \$33,825.02 for May, 2000. 2001 payments to date of \$146,499.72 reflect a 14.29 percent increase over 2000 payments to date of

O'Brien had a 37.85 percent increase for May, 2001 of \$280.79 in comparison to \$203.69 for May, 2000. 2001 payments to date of \$593.23 reflect a 10.46 percent increase over 2000 payments to

date of \$537.05. Rochester had a 18.95 percent increase for May, 2001 of \$1,192.27 in comparison to \$1,002.25 for May, 2000. 2001 payments to date of \$3,078.82 reflect a 3.05 percent decrease over 2000 payments to date of

\$3,175.89. Rule had a 10.38 percent increase for May, 2001 of \$2,719.07 in comparison to \$2,463.20 for May, 2000. 2001 payments to date of \$7,006.45 reflect a 7.63 percent increase over 2000 payments to date of \$6,509.17.

Weinert had a 51.87 percent increase for May, 2001 of \$615.78 in comparison to \$405.46 for May, 2000. 2001 payments to date of \$1,137.72 reflect a 5.70 percent increase over 2000 payments to date of \$1,076.29.



NEW D. Q. DUDES-Gavaun and Carol Hedden have purchased the Haskell Dairy Queen after being away from the city a few years while managing Dairy Queen outlets in other locations.

new ownership Dairy establishments in Ballinger, Gavaun and Carol Hedden, new Winters, Merkel, and one in owners of the Haskell Dairy Queen, Abilene. are not newcomers to the Haskell business scene. Having managed

The new owners, who are planning to sponsor some promotional events here in Haskell, said, "We will have some musicals from time to time, and do other fun things along the way." As to the specifics; "Just keep an eye on us," they added.

The Heddens have three children and six grandchildren and have enjoyed working with girl's softball, little league, band and choir. Still following these interests, the D. Q. owners said, "We plan to continue working with the kids in the Haskell area.'

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# White-lined Sphinx larvae evident in area counties

by Brandon Anderson Haskell Co. Extension Agent

Large horned larvae, 3.5 inches in length when full grown, are the larval stage of the white-lined sphinx. In several Rolling Plains counties these moths larvae are feeding on evening-primrose, Carolina crane's bill, purslanes and plants in the genus Gaura.

They feed on a wide range of plants in addition to the weeds listed above. Vegetable crops, roses, apple trees and watermelons as well as cotton may be attacked. Cotton does not appear to be a preferred host.

Recently large numbers of these larvae have stripped most of the foliage from evening-primrose in several counties. The larvae are variable in color and color pattern, but most are black and yellow and some are green. The head, cervical shield, lateral plates on prolegs and anal prolegs are yellow/orange

flecked with white and numerous setae. The caudal horn is also yellow/orange and prominent.

White-lined sphinx larvae are often found crawling in large numbers on the pavement of highways or roads. After they consume the available plant foliage they migrate searching for other acceptable plants and are often seen crossing roads in both directions.

There are two or three generations each year and when weather conditions result in the development of an abundance of host plants large numbers of whitelined larvae often develop and when abundant can greatly reduce the foliage of these plants. Weather that results in an abundance of host plants encourages the development of large numbers of white-lined sphinx. In the Texas Rolling Plains very large widespread populations like those occurring this year are observed only once in

White-lined sphinx moths are one of the most frequently observed sphinx moths. They are often seen late in the afternoon hovering about flowering plants as they feed on the nectar and around lights at night. These rather large moths resemble hummingbirds as they feed from the flowers. The thorax and front wings of the moth are brown with irregular white lines across the width of the wings and thorax. There is a prominent offwhite line that runs from the wing tip through the center of the front wing and this broad line is the feature for which the white-lined sphinx moth is named. The hind wings each have a broad mauve band across the middle.

Generally insecticides are not needed for control of white-lined sphinx larvae because their feeding is usually confined to weeds. However, if they should attack valuable plants such as roses or cotton, a wide range of insecticides will provide effective control.

Information on insecticides that might be used is available at the Haskell County Extension Office. When using an insecticide make sure it is labeled for the intended use and that you read and follow label directions when making an application.

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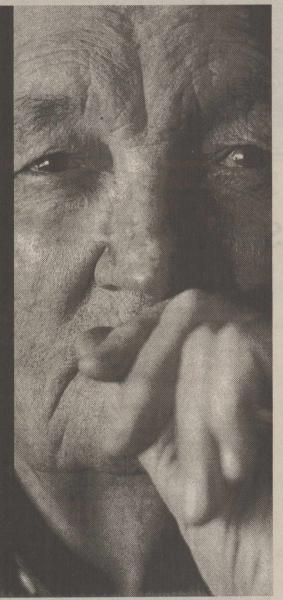
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### **Obituaries**

### Matthew Williamson Beecher McCord



MATTHEW McCORD

Funeral services for Matthew Williamson Beecher McCord, 22, of Lubbock were held Wed., May 23 at First Baptist Church in Haskell with Rev. Scott Edmonson, Rev. Jim Gordy of Lubbock, Rev. Scott Hensley of Rule and Rev. Kevin Hall officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Direc-

Mr. McCord succumbed to injuries received in an automobile accident Sun., May 20. His young life ended at United Regional Medical Center in Wichita Falls.

Born Dec. 8, 1978 in Wichita Falls, he was the youngest son of Andy and Christye Gannaway of Haskell and Dusty and Terri McCord of Lubbock. He married Megan Jones of Rule Dec. 19, 1998.

He was an honor graduate of Haskell High School in 1997. In May 2001, he graduated cum laude from Texas Tech University with a bachelor of science degree in psychology. He was a member of First Baptist Church in Haskell.

With a winning smile, excellent manners and an outgoing personality, he charmed his way into the lives of the community. He was popular with all ages, from senior citizens to young children. His energy and enthusiasm were contagious. As a high school student, Matthew was known from his radio broadcasts of Haskell High School Happening, his play on the basketball court, his church involvement or his agriscience leadership teams. His deep religious faith lent a spiritual balance to all his ac-

In high school, he ran cross country and played on the 1996 Haskell basketball team that qualified for the state tournament. Basketball honors include first team all-district, all-region, Abilene-Reporter News All-Big Country and Region II-2A All Tournament teams. He lettered in track and tennis. He was a member of the National Honor Society, Student Council, FFA, served as class officer, was sports editor of the War Whoop and voted most outgoing and most handsome by the senior class.

Survivors include his wife, Megan, of Lubbock; his parents, one brother, Kurt McCord of Lubbock; one sister, Alexandra of Lubbock; maternal grandparents, T. W. and Joyce Greenwood of Goree; paternal grandparents, Fred and Mary Lou McCord of Seymour and Lucille Gannaway of Haskell; stepmother, Cathy McCord of Lubbock and numerous uncles, aunts, cousins and

Pallbearers were Matt Blanks, Casey Burgess, Jason Briles, Erik Everett, Lyle Fouts, Ryan Mauldin, Nick Jiminez, Bo Kesey and Michael Manske

Honorary pallbearers were member of Matthew's high school basketball teams and co-workers at the Texas A&M Experiment Station in

Memorials may be made to the Matthew Williamson Beecher McCord Scholarship Fund, P. O. Box 937, Haskell, Texas 79521.

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#### **Delma Bernice 'Chat' Adams**

Funeral services for Delma Bernice 'Chat' Adams, 85, of Haskell were held Thurs., May 24 at First United Methodist Church in Haskell with Rev. James Patterson and Rev. Shane Brue officiating. Burial was in Goree Cemetery in Goree under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Adams died Tues., May 22 at a local care home. Born Aug. 22, 1915 in Cliff, she was the daughter of Charles Wesley Sargent and Minnie Gass Sargent. She married Rufus Lee "Bub" Adams Aug. 6, 1931 in Lawton, Okla. He preceded her in death Nov. 22, 1989 in Munday. She worked at the Weinert Public Schools as both a cook and an aide until her retirement in 1979. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Anna Decker in 1991; one granddaughter, Rhonda Adams in 1984; two sisters, Ouida Shubert and Doris Moore and one brother, John Sargent.

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, Ronald Eugene and Sherry Adams of Haskell; two brothers, Charles Sargent of Pleasanton and Bob Sargent of Arlington; two grandsons, Gary Decker of Stamford and David Adams of Haskell; one granddaughter, Jerri Ann Freeman of Rule and five great grandchildren.

Pallbearers were David Adams, Gary Decker, James Decker, Cody Ivy, Larry Cunningham and Cory Ivy.

# Organized financial record help with tax preparation

Haskell Co. Extension Agent People are motivated to keep financial records for many reasons, but organizing records for more efficient tax preparation is a high priority for many. For people who are poorly organized or do not have a good system for filing their

preparation can be an annual nightmare.

While the Internal Revenue Service does not require taxpayers to keep records in any special way, it is important that records be kept in such a way that you, as taxpayer, and the IRS can determine the correct amount of federal income tax you must pay.

records, annual income tax return

Good records help you to: Identify sources of income - this information is needed to separate business from nonbusiness income and taxable from nontaxable income. The IRS considers basic records related to income to be Forms(s) W-2, Form(s) 1099, bank statements, brokerage statements and Form(s) K-1. Your investment records should include brokerage statements, mutual fund

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Keep track of the basis of property - information about the original cost or basis of property owned and any improvements made will be needed when property is sold. The IRS considers basic records to be closing statements, purchase and sales invoices, proof of payment, insurance records and Form 2119 (if you sold a home before 1998).

Prepare tax returns - the better your records are, the faster and more accurately you can file your

Support items reported on tax returns - if the IRS questions anything on your tax return, you need to be able to explain what you reported. Good records can reduce

statements, Form(s) 1099 and the effort needed to explain yourself. Without good records, you may have to spend a lot of time obtaining statement and receipts from various source you are not able to document what you have reported, you may have to pay additional tax and be subject to penalty payments as well.

Proof of payment is required to support certain amounts shown on your tax return although having proof of payment does not prove that an item claimed on your return is an allowable item. The general rule is that you prove payment with a canceled check or cash receipt. For cash payments, always get a dated and signed receipt showing the amount and the reason for the payment.

If you do not receive your canceled checks or you make payments by credit card or electronic funds transfer, your account statements will help prove payment. If the payment has been made by check, then the statement must show the check number, amount, payee's name, and date the check amount was posted to the account by the financial

institution. When payments are made by electronic funds transfer, the statements must show the amount transferred, the payee's name and the date the transfer was posted to the account by the financial institution.

With credit card payments, the amount charged, the payee's name and the transaction date must be shown on the credit card statement to be accepted as proof of payment.

IRS Publication 552, Recordkeeping for Individuals, discusses why you should keep records, what kinds of records to keep and how long to keep them. Publication 17, Your Federal Income Tax (for individuals) provides detailed information for preparing individual tax returns.



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Student in the News



**ROSS SHORT** 



JESSICA SANCHEZ

# Short, Sanchez are Rochester's top eighth graders

The valedictorian of the Rochester 2001 eighth grade graduating class is Ross Short. He is the son of Larry and Linda

The salutatorian is Jessica Sanchez. She is the daughter of

The members of the Rochester 2001 eighth grade graduating class are: Caleigh Beauchamp, Cassidy Brown, Jonathan Burt, Sandy Caldera, Jeffrey Caldwell, Rodrigo Cruz, Joshua Dunfee, Casey Lampe, Michael Reyna, Jessica Sanchez, Ross Short, Dorothy Strickland and Marcus Williams.

## Keep your cool this summer

On summer's hottest days, your air conditioner will do a better job of keeping you cool if you will take a few precautions to make sure its job is as easy as possible.

Here are a few tips:

•Create breathing room. If you have shrubbery or other plants growing close to the outdoor section of your air conditioner, make sure they do not block the flow of air. Trim them if necessary. Also, check to be sure that leaves, grass clippings or other debris are not blocking the flow of air into your air conditioner.

•Change or clean air filters. If you use disposable air filters, change them at least once a month. If you use electrostatic filters or an electronic air cleaner, follow the manufacturer's instructions carefully. Clogged filters force your air conditioner to work harder and can shorten its life.

•Clean the return air grille. Return air grilles are openings which allow air from inside your house to recirculate through your heating system. They are generally located near the blower or fan unit of the furnace. Some systems use a rectangular metal grille on the wall, ceiling or floor. Others use a louvered closet door. Clean the return air grille with a vacuum cleaner every time you change or clean the air filter.

•Turn off the bathroom vent fan. It draws cool air out of the house and pulls hot outdoor air inside.

·Close doors quickly. The longer a door is open, the more hot air it allows into the house for your air conditioner to cool.

•Remember: south is hot, north is cool. Close drapes or blinds on your south facing windows to block out the sun's bright light and the heat it carries. Open drapes or blinds on north facing windows to welcome the cooler indirect sunlight.

•Have your system serviced regularly. Have your heating and cooling system checked out by a qualified service technician twice a

### Tinnin appointed to Air Force Academy



**ZACH TINNIN** 

The United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo. is proud to extend Zach Tinnin an appointment to attend the Academy. Tinnin plans to enter the Academy this summer as a member of the class of 2005.

Tinnin competed with over 8,600 other highly qualified high school seniors and is one of only approximately 1,250 to receive this offer. The process to receive this appointment involves nomination by a United States senator or congressman, interviews by Air Force personnel, medical exams and physical exams in addition to maintaining a high academic grade point average and scoring above average on the SAT or ACT.

Tinnin will be joining a select group which will be trained to be future leaders of our Air Force.

During his four years at the Academy, Tinnin will have the opportunity to fly sailplanes, parachute and participate in various exchange programs as only a few of the leadership development programs offered. He will pursue the major of his choice in one of 31 academic disciplines as well as study subjects such as Air Force history and management and leadership techniques. The Academy traditionally ranks as one of the most academically challenging programs in the country at a level with the Ivy League.

Upon graduation from the Air Force Academy, Tinnin will be commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Air Force and immediately begin working in one of over 32 career

Tinnin graduated from Highland High School in May 2001. He is the son of Roger and Fran Tinnin of Roscoe and the grandson of Lee Roy and Frances Wilson of Rule.

While at Highland, Tinnin has been active in football, basketball, track, one act play, debate and persuasive speaking.

Honors his senior year include: football - All District, All Regional, All State Defensive MVP and All American; track -Regional Qualifier in triple jump, high jump, discus and mile relay; debate and persuasive speaking -State Qualifier; One Act Play cast member of State Qualifying play; All State Academic Team in football and basketball.

### Like animals, animal bites come in all shapes and sizes. When a bite creates a deep puncture

"Most animal bites are not serious," says Dr. Ron Charles, an assistant professor of emergency medicine at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas. "But all animal bites, like any serious

Commencement May 12 at the the Ferrell Center on the campus of Baylor University. Dr. Robert Sloan, President of Baylor, conferred the degrees.

Densman has a double major in finance and real estate. He was recognized as the highest-ranking real estate major in the Hankamer School of Business. The Community Bank and Trust of Waco employed him while attending Baylor. He has accepted a position with Conoco, Inc. in the corporate finance division in Ponca City, Okla.

He is a 1997 graduate of Hollis High School, Hollis, Okla. His parents are James and Elaine Densman of Davis, Okla. James is a former pastor of First Baptist Church, Haskell and is now pastor of First Baptist Church, Davis,

### Dog bites can be prevented

wound, tears the skin or won't stop bleeding, it's to be taken seriously.

JOSH DENSMAN

Bachelor of Business

Administration degree Magna Cum

Laude from Baylor University,

Waco, during the Spring

Josh Densman was awarded a

injury, should be checked out by a physician."

Seek immediate treatment if you

develop a fever, notice signs of infection, or if an erratic-acting animal - especially a bat, raccoon, fox or skunk - bites you. The animal may have rabies, a serious central nervous system infection.

Charles also notes that many animal bites are preventable. "Don't touch an animal you don't know and be cautious around animals, even your own pets," Charles says. "Don't approach wild animals and be careful around pets when they are feeding."

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Other low-tech distractions like eating or drinking, talking to passengers in the car or trying to tend to babies in the back seat are responsible for more accidents. That doesn't mean using a cell phone or other gadgets in the car while driving is any safer. Anything in the car that takes your attention away from the road can lead to accidents.

Doctors at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas say you can prevent accidents by keeping your focus on driving. When you're behind the wheel, don't try to multi-task. If you have a cell phone, use a hands-free adapter so you can keep your hands on the wheel. Better yet, pull off the road to place a call. A cell phone in the car can be a lifesaver if you use it to call for help in an emergency. but it can help cause the emergency if it distracts you from the road.

Try to limit other distractions while driving, as well. Don't eat or apply makeup. Do these things before you leave or after you reach your destination.

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Common-sense fire prevention can save lives and houses

by Lou Gilly Haskell Co. Extension Agent Each year more than 4,000 American lives are lost and 500,000 homes are damaged or destroyed from fires. Extension Housing and Environment Specialist Janie Harris says a few common-sense precautions can save lives and homes.

Install a smoke detector outside each sleeping area of the house. Make sure candles are placed securely where fabric or some other combustible material can't accidently reach the flame. Clean the lint filter of the clothes dryer after each use. Do not keep

material soiled with linseed oil or any oil product. Oily fabrics can spontaneously combust and start a

fire that can spread to the house. Above all, Harris says to be prepared. Having a family escape route is of vital importance. Each family member should have a plan for at least two escape routes and all should know the family meeting place. And, Harris says, don't forget to practice.

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#### Caring for another adult is Haskell Co. Extension Agent Care giving for older family members is a issue that needs to be addressed before the need arises. Financial information needs to

aregivers need care, too

be discussed and important documents like wills, health care and insurance papers need to be filed. Four to five percent of people over 60 years of age are living in nursing homes and about 15 percent require assistance from family. Often one person is the

designated care giver with other

family members helping out.

stressful and a care giver must always remember to take care of his or her own personal needs as well. They can do this by figuring out what they are responsible for and by delegating jobs whenever

Finally, care givers should realize taking care of a loved one can be as uplifting as it is stressful. There can be a lot of joy in giving to a family member who has given much to you throughout

### Iraveling with an il

Traveling with an ill child can be challenging, but the benefits to your child's morale can make a trip worth the effort, said Dr. Ernest Fruge at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston. Fruge offers the

following tips: Talk with your child's physician about the trip and precautions that may be required.

Pack all medications and keep them in the original containers. If

the child is on a special diet, pack an adequate supply of necessary foods. Allow time for frequent bathroom breaks or rest periods.

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# **OPINION**



### HIGHLIGHTS

By Mike Cox TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — Too early yet for a full post mortem on the 77<sup>th</sup> Legislature, but one thing is certain: lawmakers failed to come up with a redistricting

That puts the matter before the Legislative Redistricting Board and probably into the courts down the road.

Lawmakers did pass a \$111 billion state budget. Included in that was a 4 percent or \$100 a month (whichever is higher) pay raise for state employees.

Contact lens settlement in sight...

If a proposed settlement goes through, many Texas contact lens wearers will be able to get cash rebates on lens purchases and eye exams.

Texas Attorney General John Cornyn announced last week that his office had reached a settlement with Johnson & Johnson Vision Care, Inc. That company was the last nonsettling defendant in an antitrust suit brought by Texas and 31 other states against contact lens that puts the plug in any inmakers and the American Optometric Association.

The lawsuits alleged that retail prices of disposable contact lenses were too high because the defendants had agreed with the AOA that their lenses would be available only from eye care professionals, retail optical stores or mass merchandisers.

The plaintiffs contended this made purchase of lenses via mail or from drug stores more difficult.

Under the \$60 million Johnson & Johnson settlement, benefits for eligible contact lens users will include \$50 off the purchase of four six packs of disposable lenses and \$25 off an eye examination and an additional \$25 off a future purchase of four or more lens six packs. That amounts to about a one-third cost reduction.

A settlement with another major producer of contact lenses, Baush & Lomb, already has been reached.

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For years, Texas' open container law was about as strong as 3.2 beer.

The law said a driver could not drink from an open alcoholic beverage, but a peace officer had to actually see the person take a drink for it to be a ticketable offense.

And any passenger in the vehicle was clear to drink, which meant a driver who spotted a police officer could merely hand his drink to one of the passengers.

But House Bill 5, a measure vehicle drinking of an alcoholic beverage, has been passed by the Legislature and is expected to be signed into law by Gov. Rick

The bill exempts passengers of limousines, charter buses and motor homes.

The grass is greener Looking to grow some new

business? According statistics compiled by the state comptroller, sellers of lawn care products and services have seen a gross sales growth from \$377 million in 1990 to \$1.1 billion in 1999. The number of lawn and garden businesses in Texas has sprouted from 3,473 a decade ago to 7,613.

No nukes is good news for West Texas...

A bill that would have allowed a low-level nuclear graveyard in Andrews County in West Texas has gone to the legislative boot hill.

New officers of the Progressive Study Club are Marilyn Bahney, corresponding secretary; Mrs. C. O. Holt, recording secretary; Mrs. R. C. Couch, treasurer; Mrs. Charles McCauley, 2nd vice president; Mrs. Sandy Horton, vice president; and Mrs. Bob Herren,

10 Years Ago

May 30, 1991

Angela Hisey of Rule High

School has been recognized for

academic achievement as a United

States National Honor Roll award

winner. She is the daughter of Mr.

92 are Tenille Mathis, Shelley

Palacious, Jessica Bridwell and

Charisse Felty received a ride to

school in the new ambulance as

winners of the Haskell Ambulance

20 Years Ago

May 28, 1981

Levi Adcock has assumed duties

as manager of Modern Way Food

Store. He was manager of JRB

Supermarket in Stamford prior to

Haskell

Homemakers announced their

outstanding member for the 1980-

81 period. The honor went to Janet

Chapman. Chapman is employed

as a teller at Big Country Savings

and her husband, Alton, is a game

Young

Junior High twirlers for 1991-

Cody Stone, Amy Moeller and

and Mrs. Danny Hisey.

Service's poster contest.

moving to Haskell.

Kimberly Skiles.

30 Years Ago June 8, 1971

From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

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HAD A TERRIFYIN

THOUGHT—THIS

COULD BE TH' BEST

DAY OF TH' REST OF MY LIFE!

Pat Harris of Haskell was named Miss Throckmorton of 1972 in the contest held at Throckmorton. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Harris and will be a senior at Haskell High School in the fall.

Tommy Mojica is the new youth minister at First Baptist Church.

Carol Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Miller of Rule, was crowned queen of the Jaycee Rodeo at the opening performance.

40 Years Ago June 1, 1961

Sandra Coburn of Haskell received a B. A. degree in English from Texas Women's University in Denton. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Coburn.

Six Haskell girls will attend Camp Fire Girls summer camp. The girls are Diane Hester, Peggy Ann and Mary Anita Thigpen, Kathie Rose Burson, Bobbie Kimbrough and Terry Kay Diggs.

Sarah Kay Henry received the Bachelor of Arts degree in English from Southern Methodist University in Dallas. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. K.

"Giant" with Elizabeth Taylor Rock Hudson and James Dean is showing at the Texas Theatre.

50 Years Ago May 31, 1951

Noel Beason of O'Brien, Patricia McWhorter of Rochester, Sue Williams and Myrtle Murray

of Rule, Mrs. Arthur Williams and Miss Thelma Wirges will attend the annual three-day camp and outing for 4-H Club Girls of District III. The camp will be held

Dorothy D. Fouts, freshman student from Haskell, was announced as the 1951 winner of

at Lueders.

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the most valuable freshman member of the University Players at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene. She is the daughter of Mr.and Mrs. Bill Fouts of Haskell.

Roy Don Rhoads, Haskell FFA member, has been given the Phillips "66" award for his outstanding work as a member of the Haskell FFA Chapter. The award, given by Phillips Petroleum Company, is a monetary gift of \$66.66 to be used by Rhoads in continuing his study of cotton improvement, especially the part played by commercial fertilizer.

> 90 Years Ago June 3, 1911

W. A. Whatley left in his automobile the first of the week for Coleman on a business trip.

Spencer and Richardson have put up a bulletin board in their drug store and every evening they get a telegraphed report of the day's games in the Texas League. This is a timely service for those interested in baseball as it is always a day late before the papers get here.

Alvy Couch, cashier of the Weinert State Bank, was a business visitor here Tuesday.

often miss the legal disclosures.

Because of the size of the print and

the way it's written, it may also be

very confusing for many people to

understand. As a result, you may

not get the 'deal' you thought you

cautious about the following:

Gilly warns consumers to be

•Memberships in mail-order or

health clubs. The incentives may

sound good - and so are the

intentions - but cancelling may be

include fee-based Internet services.

The cost of the service may be

much greater than the value of the computer and charges may be

associated with disconnecting the

or no interest. In some cases, very

high interest rates from the date of

purchase may be charged if the

buyer doesn't pay off the entire

•Unsolicited invoices from

balance by the time the offer ends.

magazine companies. Subscription

may be started automatically if

consumers do not respond and

"These are just a few of the

situations we can get into if we fail

to read things carefully before we

sign," Gilly said. "We may be able

to go to court and recover our

money, but that can be expensive

and time-consuming. It's much

better if we prevent the problem

cancel the order.

before it starts."

•Limited time offers with little

•"Free" computer offers that

were getting."

impossible.

### Ask the AG

By John Cornyn **Attorney General** 

Q: My neighbor got a collect call from somebody claiming to be his cousin in Mexico. It turned out he was lying so that my neighbor would accept the call. Now my neighbor has a \$50 charge on his telephone bill. Is he the only one this has happened to?

A: In recent months, my office has received more than 400 reports of collect call scams being perpetrated against Texans. The situation may be far worse than this figure indicates, since many consumers try to resolve the problem without contacting us for assistance. Most of the calls appear to originate in Mexico and target Hispanic-surnamed consumers in Texas.

Hispanic consumers are targeted by this scam because of their last names and because they are more likely to have relatives living in Mexico who might make collect calls. The rise of this scam mirrors the recent tremendous growth in our state's Hispanic population. As the number of Hispanic Texans has gone up, so has their purchasing power.

In the most common form of this scam, the caller pretends to be a relative from Mexico who urgently needs to speak with a family member. The caller uses the same last name as the Texas consumer to trick the victim into accepting the call. Only when it is too late does the consumer realize that the call is a

Although the calls may only last a few minutes, consumers have been charged \$50.00 or more per call. In many cases, the call only lasts a few seconds, but the consumer is billed for a full five minutes. Some consumers report being charged for collect calls they never accepted. Others claim no one was home at the time the collect call was allegedly made and accepted. In some cases, consumers have been targeted for repeat calls.

Q: What can I do to avoid becoming a victim of this scam?

A. There are several steps you can take to protect yourself.

\* Before accepting a collect call, ask the operator where it was placed from, how much the charges will be per minute and if there is a minimum amount of time you must pay for.

Make sure the person making the call is really someone you know by asking for additional information. Ask the operator to relay the questions to the caller or ask the operator to stay on the line until you verify the caller's identity. Ask for information only a legitimate caller should know. If the caller cannot supply the information, refuse to take the call.

As soon as you realize the caller is not who he or she claims to be, hang up immediately. That is the only way to stop additional charges.

If you become a frequent target of collect calls, ask your telephone company to put a block on all collect calls to your phone number.

\* You should always review your phone bill closely. If you see a suspicious charge for collect call, notify your phone company and contest

the charge.

If you have been charged for a fraudulent collect call, you can file a complaint with my office. Call (800) 621-0508 to have a complaint form mailed to you. You can also fill out an online form through our Web site at www.oag.state.tx.us. Forms are available in English and Spanish.

# Four important words for consumers: Read the fine print!

School's out: Watch for children "Read the fine print!" playing!

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This issue mailed Wed., May 30, 2001

by Lou Gilly Haskell Co. Extension Agent The most important four words for a consumer to remember are:

"Fine print" usually explains warranties, return policies, liability waivers, service fees, charges and other obligations for both the buyer and the seller, according to Lou Gilly, Family and Consumer Sciences Agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in

"It may be at the bottom of a contract or on the back of an invoice, but it's there," she said. "And it's important because it outlines the limitations and conditions that affect your rights and responsibilities."

"But fine print isn't always considered when making a purchase," Gilly said. "Unfortunately, we tend to read the advertising and the big print and we

Keeping an Eye on Texas

### **Protecting Precious Cargo**

In 1999, 202 children from infants through age 14 were killed as a result of traffic collisions in Texas. Even though Texas has child occupant restraint laws protecting this age group, more than half of the children killed were riding unrestrained.

**Restraint Guidelines:** 

· Infants, until at least 1 year old and at least 20 pounds, should ride in rearfacing child safety seats.

· Children more than 1 year old and between 20 and 40 pounds should ride in forward-facing child safety seats.

Children ages 4 to 8 and weighing about 40 to 80 pounds should ride in a car booster seat and be restrained with a lap/ shoulder belt

Children ages 12 and under should be restrained in a back seat.

Sources: Carole Keeton Rylander, Texas Comptroller (www.window.state.tx.us), the Texas Department of Public Safety and the National Safe Kids Campaign.

# Commonly asked questions about electrical wiring in older homes

Unlike fine wine, house wiring and outlets and switches don't get better with age. In fact, the older the wiring, the more chances there are for potentially serious electrical hazards. Wires with broken or brittle insulation and outlets worn out from years of use are frequently cited as the cause of house fires.

If your home was built more than 60 years ago, it is recommended that you call a licensed electrical contractor to inspect your home's wiring and wiring devices. This inspection is particularly important if you've added appliances that use a lot of electricity, such as a clothes dryer, air conditioner, space heater or dishwasher.

Here are the most frequently asked questions homeowners have about older house wiring:

1. What are the signs of potential electrical hazards in the

Some things to look for: Room lights dim when the refrigerator or air conditioner kicks on; the television screen shrinks; circuit breakers frequently trip or fuses frequently blow; outlets or dimmer switches seem hot to the touch.

These conditions indicate that the electrical wiring in your house is overloaded.

2. Is an old-fashioned fuse box a

The short answer is no, because fuses provide the same protection against overloaded wiring as circuit breakers. However, when fuse boxes were in widespread use, most homes had only 30 or 60-ampere

Today's homes need at least 150 to 200 ampere service to safely supply power for major appliances. If you have a fuse box and you've

added any large appliances over the years, it is recommended that you have an electrical contractor inspect your home wiring to make sure it's still safe.

3. How can I tell when an electrical outlet isn't safe?

There are three indicators of an unsafe outlet. If an outlet can no longer hold a plug snugly; if any parts of the outlet are broken; or if the outlet feels hot to the touch. If any of these conditions exist, the outlet should be replaced.

4. Can I add more outlets in the

Most likely, yes. And don't forget to install GFCI outlets in the kitchen. You should also check your homeowners insurance policy and local laws, since you may be required to have a licensed electrician do this type of work rather than a handyman.

5. How long does electrical wiring last?

That's a hard question to answer, since it depends on the type of use and abuse the system has experienced over the years. If you have any doubts about your wiring or notice some frayed or broken insulation, have a complete inspection of your home's electrical wiring.

6. How long do outlets and switches last?

It depends on use. Electricians will tell you they see outlets more than 50 years old that still work fine and others that are worn out after only a few years.

### Kitchen injuries common

One of the most dangerous places on Earth may be somewhere you go every day.

Kitchen injuries like knife wounds can happen any time, but using some basic first-aid tips can help you know whether a trip to the emergency room is in order.

Dr. Kurt Kleinschmidt, a UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas assistant professor of emergency medicine, says the initial bleeding from a cut is rarely a good sign of the seriousness of

'A knife cut is probably going to bleed a lot," he says. "Apply steady pressure to the wound for five to 10 minutes and then assess the wound once the bleeding has

If you've cut more than the superficial layer of skin, if the edges of the cut can be pulled far apart, if it's possible a foreign body might be in the cut, or if your finger feels numb or weak, Kleinschmidt recommends having a medical professional look at the

"If your cut doesn't need medical attention, the best advice is to keep it clean and plain old soap and water is the best way to do that," Kleinschmidt says.

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# Do you know what your kids are eating?

As a parent, should you be concerned whether or not genetically modified foods should be labeled as such?

A recent report released by the Food and Drug Administration revealed that American consumers wanted GM foods to be labeled as such, especially since they didn't know that GM foods were already in our food supply. According to a 1999 Consumer Report, 60 percent of all prepackaged foods contain some type of genetically modified organism or GMO.

One concern about GM foods is that parents can't be certain if their children will experience an allergic reaction. Last year in the U.S. grain industry, for example, more than 300 human food products were recalled because of concerns about possible allergic reactions to the StarLink protein Cry9c used to repel destructive pests - a genetically modified variety

approved only for animal feed after it was found in taco shells.

Additionally, while adults are able to handle foreign substances and dispel of them fairly easily, children have a more difficult time doing this since their systems are

Until more research is collected on the long-term effects of unnatural ingredients such as GMOs, aspartame, MSG, dyes, trans-fatty acids, how can parents be sure their children are eating foods that are free from these

Here are four ways to feed your children healthier foods:

·Look for "Certified Organic" labels. With the USDA's new strict guidelines stating that organic foods can't contain genetically modified ingredients, you can be sure that your child isn't eating GMOs.

•Shop the outer perimeter first.

The food lining the walls of the grocery store will be the freshest selection. Then venture into the middle aisles and you will find yourself buying less of the prepackaged foods which contain the highest level of GMOs, transfats and dyes.

•Set a good example. The family environment influences the eating habits of children. Parents should be eating plenty of fresh fruits and vegetables and have these available for children during meal

•Create a substitute for sodas. Parents trying to find a replacement for sugar-loaded soft drinks may not want to substitute diet sodas since their high level of aspartame may be worse for children. A better substitute is to take a child's favorite fruit drink and mix it with some sparkling soda water that doesn't contain the sodium or sugar

# Be smart ~ Comparison shop

Haskell Co. Extension Agent "Regardless of how much or how little we make, everyone has to make choices in life. And that includes the choices we make when shopping," said Lou Gilly, family and consumer science agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Haskell County.

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Think about your most recent purchase. Why did you buy that product? Was your selection based on size, color, price or some other criteria? Did you compare products before you bought or did you buy the first thing you saw?

"Chances are you had something in mind before you started and you compared several products before buying," Gilly said. "That's called comparison shopping and it's one of the best tools you can use to make a decision about a product or

Shopping can be an expensive venture. Get more for your money by comparison shopping.

Gilly offers the following suggestions for comparing before you buy, no matter what is being purchased

•Decide what you need before

# Lightning is no friend

If you live in an area of the country prone to lightning, you probably know how to protect yourself when thunderstorms are overhead. And you also know how important a lightning arrestor is to protect your home from a direct lightning strike. But how much protection have you given to the expensive electronic equipment inside your home?

TVs, home theaters, computers and other types of equipment are vulnerable to electrical surges generated by lightning – even if the lightning is miles away. If you have a large investment in home electronics, the experts recommend that you consider installing wholehouse surge protective devices to

The typical power-strip surge much larger power surges.

This protection is especially

safe-guard your sensitive electronic

protectors that plug into a wall receptacle are primarily designed to protect equipment from low energy power surges generated within your home. To protect equipment against lightning that enters your home through the electric lines, you need devices that can handle

important if you live in an area of the country where lightning is prevalent. The reason: Repeated high energy surges caused by lightning strikes will eventually destroy the surge-suppressor components in a power strip.

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heading to the store. Buying the

•Consider product quality before top of the line isn't always necessary, or wise.

you start shopping and stay focused

on needs instead of wants.

•In order to make the wisest choice, determine how you will use the product before you start

•Gather information about the product, the company and other details before making a decision. Read consumer magazines or ask

•Read labels, warranties, sales contracts and other related materials before making the purchase.

•Compare the price per unit. Buying in bulk is not always the best buy.

"The biggest advantage to comparison shopping is that it allows us to get the most for our money when buying the things we really need, rather than being influenced to buy things that others want to sell us," Gilly said. "And we can use the extra to pay our bills or add to our savings.

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# Living with asthma

Nearly 15 million people in the United States have asthma, a lung disease that affects people of all ages and races. Asthma episodes are triggered by a variety of irritants. such as heavy smoke, thick dust, or very cold air. These and other. "triggers" cause an asthmatic's airways to constrict making it difficult, and sometimes impossible, to breathe.

There's no cure for asthma, but if you have the disease, it shouldn't stop you from leading a full, normal life. With your doctor and respiratory therapist's help, you can learn how to take good care of yourself and how to control your asthma effectively. Here are a number of tips that can help you live a more active life in spite of having asthma.

1. Seek qualified medical attention:

•See a doctor and respiratory therapist who are well informed about asthma and the newest treatments.

•Get a treatment plan designed just for you – everybody's asthma is different.

•Be sure you understand the plan; if it is not clear, ask

questions. 2. Understand your medications: •Asthma treatment plans often include several medications.

•Some medications offer quick relief during asthma episodes.

•Some medications are designed

for long term preventive care. ·Make sure you know which one to reach for in an emergency. 3. Avoid your asthma triggers:

•Pay attention to when asthma episodes happen to help determine what causes them.

•Take steps to avoid irritants your lungs are sensitive to - that may mean giving away a pet, avoiding smoky rooms, or staying indoors on smoggy days.

·Consult you doctor or respiratory therapist for more information on common asthma triggers and how to avoid them.

4. Maintain good general health: ·Your body works most efficiently when in good condition.

•Eat healthy foods.

•Drink plenty of fluids. ·Exercise regularly.

5. Take control during asthma episodes when they happen:

•Do not try to ignore an asthma episode hoping it will just go

·Stay calm and practice good breathing techniques - breathe in slowly through your nose and blow out through your mouth using the pursed-lip method (like you are trying to whistle).

•Use the medications your doctor prescribed to keep the episode from becoming any worse; if it does not work, contact your doctor or a local emergency clinic

# Add nutritious snacks to workout routine

Before you rush out of the door for an early morning run in the park, stop and take a minute to eat a banana, or drink a glass of fruit juice or skim milk.

Eating before and after a workout is crucial, says Lona Sandon, instructor of clinical nutrition at UT Southwestern Allied Health Sciences School. "The muscles need an immediate

carbohydrate source to perform at their best. Exercising on an empty stomach will require the body to make energy from stored muscle protein, thus breaking down muscle. Decreased muscle mass results in a decreased metabolism,

which is what we are typically trying to increase with exercise,' Sandon adds.

Eating 30 minutes to an hour before exercise also delays fatigue and results in a more effective workout. It's equally important to refuel the body after that exercise

"Whatever time you work out, you should have something high in carbohydrates and moderate in proteins one to one and a half hours following exercise. These nutrients are important for providing calories, as well as repairing the muscle tissue that's broken down by exercise.'

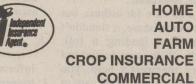


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### Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 837 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., May 26, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

Packer cattle steady; feeders steady to higher. Stockers steady to

Jerseys, Longhorns, Holsteins, cripples, knots and goons \$5-

### Student in the News

Kim Daniels Lynch graduated from Texas Tech May 12. She is the daughter of Jackie and Mae Daniels of Wolfforth.

Grandparents are Jack and Virginia Daniels of Haskell and Reva Poer of Lubbock.

She majored in education.

\$30/100# less than figures quoted! Cows: fat, .38-.45; cutters, .35-.48; canners, .20-.34.

Bulls: bologna, .45-.58; feeder, .72-.83; utility .40-.50.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.20-1.40; 300-400 lbs., 1.10-1.30; 400-500 lbs., 1.00-1.20; 500-600 lbs., .95-1.05; 600-700 lbs., .88-1.00; 700-800 lbs., .80-.93; 800-up lbs., .70-

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.05-1.25; 300-400 lbs., .95-1.10; 400-500 lbs., .90-1.05; 500-600 lbs., .80-.90; 600-up lbs., .68-.90.

Bred Heifers: medium frame, 500-650.

Bred Cows: young to middle aged, 675-750; aged or small, 525-

Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, 800-950; aged or small, 700-

# 2000 LDP loan signup deadline is Thurs., May 31

The County Executive Director of Farm Service Agency, Glenn R. Brzozowski, recently reminded producers that the signup deadline for 2000 Crop Year Loan Deficiency Payments (LDPs) on farms without a Production Flexibility Contract (PFC) is approaching for many crops. Brzozowski said, "Producers need to sign up, if they haven't done so; May 31 is the final date to request for cotton, corn and grain sorghum.'

Loan Deficiency Payments to operators of non-contract farms was authorized in an amendment to the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996. This

amendment applies to farms not signed-up initially for a Production Flexibility Contract in 1996 and covers contract commodities only (i.e. wheat, corn, barley, rye, oats, sorghum and cotton). The amendment applies only to the 2000 crop year. Producers are eligible for a beneficial interest exemption on contract commodities produced on farm without Production Flexibility Contracts if the commodity was harvested and marketed by Nov. 29, Contact your local Farm Service

Agency office at 607 North First East or call 940-864-2617 for more payment eligibility information.

# This Week's Devotional Message:

GOD IS WHEREVER YOU MAY GO



if you will only reach out and avail vacation from him!

Even though your faith and your yourself of it. He is everywhere, in Church have their regular place in the beauty of all the mountains, your daily walk of life, do you lakes and valleys of this world remember to include them in your which He created, and so are His vacation plans? Whatever highway Churches. You can easily find them you travel, God is there to provide anywhere throughout the land. you and your loved ones with His Remember that God never takes a unfailing guidance and protection, vacation from you; don't take a

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-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

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

Eric Clark, pastor • 864-2021

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 Henry Chisholm, temporary supply Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. 306 N. Ave. E, Haskell

**Trinity Baptist Church** Rev. Kenneth Blair Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p. 401 S. Ave. D, Haskell Hopewell Baptist Church John Lewis, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.

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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

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

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2. Jim Locke, 8.8; 3. (tie) Clint McCaffety and Marty Lindner, 9.0 3rd Go: 1. Houston Hutto, 7.5; 2. Terry Kitchens, 7.8; 3. Jim Locke, 8.0; 4. Clint McCaffety,

Short Go: 1. Carter Edmondson, 8.7; 2. Marty Lindner, 8.8; 3. Bill Warner, 9.5; 4. Cliff Kirkpatrick,

Average: 1. Carter Edmondson, 35.9; 2. Bill Warner, 38.1; 3. Clint McCaffety, 38.2; 4. Cliff Kirkpatrick, 38.6; 5. Marty Lindner, 39.6; 6. Carl Hopkins, Carter Edmondson won the

In the 6 hd match, Carl Hopkins defeated Clint McCaffety.

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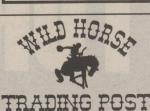
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You wrapped us in your arms and lifted us up in prayer from the ICU in Wichita Falls through the services for our precious Matthew. You've walked beside us in our deepest valley and in our darkest hour and we love you for it.

The outpouring of affection from our friends, from the student body of Haskell High school, fellow coworkers and all citizens of this special, Christian community is truly appreciated. Our thanks to Reverend Kevin Hall, Scott Hensley, John Foster, Ford Cole, Jim Gordy and Scott Edmonson for your participation and to the First Baptist Church and all area churches for the many days of meals and support. The Community Choir and accompaniment were beautiful, the music comforting and inspiration-all a tribute to Matthew.

With your presence and prayers you've honored our families and Matthew's brief, inspiring life. In the difficult days ahead, we continue to need your support and prayers.

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BOOKS ON THE MOVE-County employees loaded books into shopping carts Thursday, May 24, preparatory to transporting them to the Haskell County Library's new location in the Hassen **Building on the North side of the County Courthouse Square.** 

# More precautions given to prevent foot-and-mouth disease

by Brandon Anderson Haskell Co. Extension Agent Since early March 2001, Great Britain, France and the Netherlands have lost more than a million animals due to a foot-and-mouth disease (FMD) outbreak. The eradication effort is far from finished and the number of affected animals climbs each day. While outbreaks in these countries have received the most publicity, it's important to know that FMD also has hit at least 33 other countries worldwide since January 2000. Keeping FMD out of the U.S. must become our highest priority!

FMD is especially dangerous and costly because it strikes all cloven or split-hooved animals, including goats, sheep, deer, cattle and swine. Within days after exposure to the virus, susceptible animals may develop blisters on the feet, nose, teats and in the mouth. Unable to drink, eat or walk, they lose condition quickly.

To stop the spread of the virus, nich can be carried on the wind, exposed and infected animals must be slaughtered and their carcasses burned or buried. A country may spend years and billions of dollars eradicating FMD. Expenses to fight the disease, lost production and trade opportunities and a massive livestock slaughter can bankrupt the livestock industry and damage a country's economy.

During an outbreak, allied industries also suffer. Livestock haulers, feed and feedlot companies, livestock shows, slaughter plants and companies that produce animal care products lose revenue. Costs for goods also can rise, due to a diminished supply of the animal products used in medicines, foods, cosmetics or clothing. Even an affected country's tourism business can suffer, when quarantines and restrictions are placed on affected

Follow these precautions if you are planning foreign travel:

•For at least five days before you travel to or from the U.S. don't go around farms, sale barns, zoos, fairs or other sites where

livestock are kept. Affected or even exposed animals can expel the virus as they exhale and by being in close proximity, you could breathe it in. Although it's not a danger to you, the virus can live in your throat and nasal passages for a

•Bathe and shower prior to travel. Wear clean clothes that have not been near livestock, wildlife or other animals. Live, airborne FMD virus can contaminate skin, clothing and hair. Bathing and wearing fresh clothing prior to travel lessens the risk of carrying

•Disinfect before you travel to the U.S. Tuck a bottle of vinegar and a small cloth in your luggage to wipe down glasses, jewelry, watches, belts, hats, cell phones, hearing aids, camera bags, backpacks and purses before traveling. Vinegar, used full strength, is an effective, but inexpensive disinfectant. Wipe down all items that may have been exposed to airborne FMD virus.

•Scrape away all mud, debris or soil from shoes. Disinfect all shoe surfaces with vinegar. The FMD virus can live in the soil, organic materials and mud for an extended period of time. Clean shoes reduce

•If possible, wash or dry clean all clothing, including jackets, before traveling to the U. S., especially if you live on a ranch. It this isn't practical, clean your clothing as soon as possible when you get home. Don't re-wear clothes before they are washed or cleaned. Live FMD virus can contaminate clothing. Don't risk exposing U. S. livestock or wildlife to disease by wearing clothes that haven't been washed or cleaned. Remember to clean jackets, gloves and scarves.

•Don't carry food or other prohibited items to the U.S. Aside from being illegal to bring into the country, meat, unpasteurized cheese and unprocessed hides or animal products can harbor live FMD

•Make a Customs declaration if

you are carrying food products or have visited a farm or ranch on your trip. Declare food products and the Customs or USDA official can properly dispose of them. Failure to declare items can result in stiff fines. If you have been on a ranch or visited a zoo, wildlife park or other site with animals, make a declaration. It takes only a few moments to have the port officials spray your boots to protect against

·Avoid livestock and wildlife for at least five days after arriving back in the U. S. It takes time for airborne FMD virus to be cleared from your throat and nasal passages. Don't take chances!

•If you didn't wash or dry clean clothing before traveling to the U. S., do it immediately upon returning home. Airborne FMD virus could have contaminated your

•If you live or work on a ranch, wash or dry clean clothing BEFORE you get home. Don't risk exposing your stock to the FMD virus.

Additional precautions:

•Provide arriving travelers with a clean set of clothing that can be worn after showering.

·Wash or dry clean your visitors' clothes immediately.

•Provide shoes, or insist that your visitor wears shoes that have not been worn on a ranch in

another country. •Disinfect visitor's jewelry, eyeglasses, etc. or do not permit in

livestock facilities. •Never allow meat or animal

products from FMD-affected countries on your premises. For more information or to view pictures of FMD, contact

Brandon Anderson, Haskell County Extension Agent-Ag. at 101 South Ave. D in Haskell or call (940) 864-2658. CLASSIFIED

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# Lubber grasshoppers may cause damage to cotton

by Brandon Anderson Haskell Co. Extension Agent The lubber grasshopper, a native to the Rolling Plains, except for local infestations has not been a threat during the past 15 years. However, the large numbers of lubber nymphs observed on rangeland and on roads in Haskell County indicate that they will be more of a widespread problem this year and could severely damage cotton stands. Also known as the "jumbo" grasshopper, this is the largest of the grasshoppers found in the area. The adults do not develop functional wings and are clumsy. The eggs are deposited in pods of

about 20 eggs. Unable to migrate long distances, their damage is heaviest near areas where their eggs were deposited the previous year. They are usually found in mixtures of grasses and weeds on thin, rocky

Weeds such as sunflowers, blanket flower and ragweed are some of the plants on which lubber grasshoppers feed. They also can severely damage cotton stands, especially when cotton is planted next to rangeland. Damage is heaviest on the edge of fields and the appearance of large numbers of lubber grasshopper on the turn-row is often the first indication that the

stand is threatened. Differential grasshoppers which have an even wider range of plants on which they feed also might damage the cotton stand, however, their damage is more likely to occur in drier springs when their other host plants are severely limited. Based on observations of lubber grasshoppers, they may be capable of causing economic damage when there are two per square yard in the vegetation around the field or one

per three feet of row in the field. Grasshopper control is most effective when control measures are applied while the grasshoppers are small and are still in the weeds. As the grasshopper grow both the

lubber and differential grasshoppers move out of the weeds into the edge of the cotton fields. Grasshoppers can be controlled with several formulations of carbaryl (Sevin®) and ULV malathion. Additional information on management of grasshoppers is available from your County Extension Agent's office.

### Students in the News

Emily Wheat, Cisco Junior College student from Haskell, is on the recently released Dean's List for the spring semester of 2001.

The Dean's List includes students earning a 3.5 or better grade point average on a 4.0 system.

Hannibal-LaGrange College has released the names of students who qualified for the Academic Dean's List for the spring 2001 semester. To qualify for the Dean's List, the student must maintain a grade point average of 3.5 or higher while carrying a minimum class load of 12 hours.

Kevin McSmith and Christopher McSmith, both of Haskell, are on the Dean's List.

Jason Isbell of Haskell has been named an honor student for the spring semester at Oklahoma State University in Okmulgee.

Isbell earned above a 3.0 grade average on a 4.0 system throughout the 15-week semester.

Grade point averages are computed on the student's grade in his/her major area of study and related general education subjects.

Isbell is enrolled in heating, ventilation and air conditioning technology.

Midwestern State University recognized 654 honor students for the spring 2001 semester. The Dean's Honor Roll included 267

To make the Dean's Honor Roll, a student must complete a semester of at least 12 hours with a grade point average of 3.50 to 3.74 and no grade lower than C.

Making the Dean's Honor Roll from Haskell is Christie Marie Chambers.

Philip D. Huff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Huff of Haskell, is among the 938 Harding University students included on the school's Dean's List for grades achieved during the spring 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.

Huff, a senior majoring in mathematics, attended Abilene Christian University before entering Harding.





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