Softball games

JV, V Maidens vs Coleman Fri., April 5, 4:30 & 6 p.m. at Hawley

V Maidens vs Albany Tues., April 9, 6 p.m. at Haskell

Baseball games

V Indians vs Olney Fri., April 5, 5 p.m., at Haskell

JV Indians vs Anson Mon., April 8, 5 p.m., at Anson

V Indians vs Hamlin Tues., April 9, 5 p.m., at Hamlin

Golf

Indians & Maidens at River Creek Golf Course, Burkburnett - District 8-2 A Thurs., April 4, 8 a.m.

Indians & Maidens at Maxwell Golf Course, Abilene District 8-2 A Mon., April 8, 8 a.m.

Calendar

ECC cinnamon rolls

The Experienced Citizens Center will be taking orders for cinnamon rolls Mon., April 8. Rolls may be picked up on Tuesday, April 9 after 3 p.m. Rolls are \$6 per dozen or \$3 for half dozen. Orders may be placed by calling 864-3875.

Art Association

The Brazos West Art Association will meet Mon., April 8 at 7 p.m. at the Haskell National Bank Community Room. Ruth Jackson, well-known acrylic artist from Abilene, will be the guest artist.

Awards ceremony

An awards ceremony for Haskell Youth Basketball members will be held Sat., April 6 at 7 p.m. in the big gym. Team pictures will be made during the ceremony.

Gardeners to meet

All you need to know about "Improved and Intensive Gardening Methods" will be presented Mon., April 15 at 6:45 p.m. at Haskell National Bank Community Room by Texas Cooperative Extension Crooked River Master Gardener Association. Steve Upson, Horticulturist-Noble Foundation of Ardmore, Oklahoma will present the program. For more information, call Haskell Co. Extension Office at 864-2658.

Lodge meeting

The Sons of Hermann Lodge meeting will be held Sun., April 7 at the Irby Hall. The lodge will open at 2 p.m. The meeting begins at 3 p.m. The meal will be salads and desserts.

Mop and broom sale

The Rule Lions Club will hold their annual mop and broom sale Sat., April 6 beginning at 9 a.m. at the Rule Lions Club building. Girls softball signup

The Haskell girls softball organization will hold signup Mon., April 8 at City Hall beginning at 7 p.m. The program is for girls ages 4 and up. For information call Eddie Klose at 864-2315 days or 864-3801 nights.

4-H photo awards

The 4-H Photography project awards and exhibition program will be held Sat., April 6 beginning at 2 p.m. at the Rule High School cafeteria in Rule. An open viewing will be held from 2 to 2:30 p.m. for the public. The awards ceremonies will begin at 2:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served. The event is hosted by the Rule 4-H Club.

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FIRE DAMAGES APARTMENT-A fire at the old Arrowhead Motel location, Wed., Mar. 27 was started by a small charcoal briquet stove on which apartment resident, Jerry Freeman had cooked lunch. Thinking the coals were out he had placed it on the landing

at the top of the outside stairway. The live coals caught the stairwell and apartment door on fire. Firemen quickly arrived and got the fire under control. The extent of smoke and fire damage

Speaking at a special meeting of the Haskell Commissioners' Court Mar. 26, Robert Vincent, a representative of Santa Rosa Telephone Company discussed the running of telephone lines on county roads in Haskell County.

No action was taken on the matter of making a donation to the Haskell Soil and Water Conservation District.

Upon the request of Justice of the Peace Lynn Dodson, Judge David Davis moved to approve the Justice of the Peace Officer not collecting the \$4.00 technology fee previously approved by the Court, due to a question concerning the constitutionality of the fee. Commissioner Turnbow seconded

AARP driving class to be offered at ECC

The Experienced Citizens' Center of Haskell is sponsoring an AARP 55-Alive Driving Class, at their center, Wed., and Thurs., April 10 and 11.

All who are 50 years of age and above are qualified to take this class, designed to cover current driving situations encountered by senior citizens.

The first class, Wed., April 10, will begin at 1:30 p.m.

The last session of the class,

Thursday, April 10, will begin at 1:30 p.m. Both sessions are required in order to receive the certificate.

The cost of the class is \$10.00 and a certificate will be issued, good for 3 years and is designed to enable the driver to a 10% discount on their driver's insurance policy costs.

For further information call the Center at 864-3875, Monday, Wednesday or Friday, from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., or call Owen Aiken, at

Sailplane contest set

The Texas Chiefs Model Airplane Club will host their Annual Spring Contest Saturday and Sunday, April 6 and 7, at the Morris Hoock farm North of Knox City.

Competition will be for models having wingspans of less than 2 meters on Saturday and for unlimited

size on Sunday. At least 2 models having 14 feet wingspans will be present. Competitors are expected from Texas and Oklahoma.

Spectators are welcome to come view the contest. Dwayne Landreth of Rule will be the contest director.

Elections cancelled in Weinert

The City of Weinert has announced that there will be not be an election on May 4. All positions for Weinert City Council have been

filled or were unopposed. Also, no election will be held for the Water District #1.

to the apartment itself was not immediately determined.

the motion. Commissioners Thompson, Scoggins, Turnbow and Judge Davis voted for this motion. Commissioner Mayfield voted against. The motion carried.

A special meeting of the Court was called Mon., Apr. 1, to consider the approval of an Intergovernmental Service Agreement for housing federal detainees between the Immigration and Naturalization Service and Rolling Plains Regional Jail and Detention Center.

Commissioner Thompson moved

to approve the agreement and to allow the County Judge to sign any further documents concerning this agreement and to approve the signing of all prior documents by the County Judge pertaining to this agreement. Commissioner Mayfield seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the

Following a motion by Commissioner Mayfield, unanimous approval was given to the temporary lifting of the burn ban for Haskell County.

County officials to be honored

By Brandon Anderson

Haskell Co. Extension Agent In recognition of the leadership, innovation, and valuable service provided by Haskell County Government officials and their employees, the Texas Cooperative Extension - Haskell County Office, Extension Committees, and Haskell County 4-H'ers would like to invite the residents of Haskell County to a come-and-go reception planned in their honor.

Refreshments which will be prepared by the County Extension Agents and Haskell County 4-H'ers will be served from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Friday, April 5, in the County Kitchen located on the 3rd floor of the County Courthouse. In getting to the 3rd floor, you are invited to take the new elevator that was just recently installed.

Haskell County 4-H'ers involved in a 4-H photography project will have the photographs on display that they have entered in the County's 4-H Photography Contest. A total of 77 pictures are available for you to view while enjoying your refreshments.

This reception will serve as a kick off for National County Government Week which will be observed April 7-13. You are also invited to attend the regular Commissioner's Court meeting that will be held Monday. April 8 beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Court Room on the 2nd floor in the courthouse to see your County Government in action.

Republican run-off set

The Republican Party primary run-off election will be held April 9, at the Haskell Courthouse cafeteria room on the third floor from 7:00 a.m. til 7:00 p.m. All precincts will vote at this location.

Early voting is in progress at the Haskell courthouse.



TIGER CUBS VISIT NEWSPAPER-Three Tiger Cubs, members of Haskell's Cub Scout Pack 136, visited the Haskell Free Press Thurs., Mar. 28 to find out about communications. They had previously visited the radio station. At the paper they heard how the paper conveys information to the reader and about elements needed for a story, such as Who, What, When and Where. They also learned why different elements of a layout are used, the purpose of a headline, where it is placed in relation to a story and the purpose of a nameline or cutline in identifying a picture; all of which is used in a clean, efficient way to keep the interest and inform the reader. Also discussed were the important skills of good spelling and writing; things their teachers have stressed to them in school. From the left are Brett Shelton, Preston Morrow and Levi Grand.

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tax relief available for farmers and ranchers

Executive Director for the Texas Farm Service Agency, there is new legislation that offers immediate tax relief through additional depreciation on farm or ranch equipment and

farmers is a 30% additional first-year depreciation allowance. Signed into law by President Bush on March 9, 2002, the Job Creation and Worker Assistance Act of 2002, is retroactive to 2001 allowing capital investments

ranchers and other small businesses can immediately deduct up to \$24,000 of the cost of investment in qualifying machinery and equipment. This is scheduled to increase to \$25,000 by 2003. The from the previous year be remaining amount is depreciated under the Modified Accelerated Cost

> Recovery System (MACRS). In addition to the existing expensing provision, the Act provides an additional first-year depreciation deduction equal to 30 percent of qualified property for investments made after September 10, 2001 and before September 11, 2004. Most depreciable farm or ranch property would be considered qualifying property, including farm machinery and equipment, crop storage facilities and single purpose

agricultural and horticultural

Under current law, farmers,

structures. Since the provision is retroactive to 2001, farmers and ranchers can immediately benefit from the change on their 2001 returns although they may need to file an amended return. For 2002, the amount of capital investment that could be written off is estimated to increase by about 15 percent or \$1.8 billion as a result of this provision. This should reduce Federal income and self-employment taxes paid by farmers by over \$500 million. Annual tax savings in 2003 and 2004 are expected to be only slightly smaller at just under \$500 Social Security

A representative from the Social Security Administration will be in Haskell at the old City Hall annex, 305 N. 1st, Thurs., April 4 at 9:30 a.m.

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To illustrate the potential benefits of this legislation assume that after September 10, 2001, a farmer purchases a combine that costs \$100,000. The farmer would be able to expense \$24,000 under the section 179 expensing election. Under the new law, the producer would then be allowed an additional first-year depreciation deduction of \$22,800. which is equal to 30% of the remaining cost (basis) of \$76,000

(\$100.000 - \$24,000). Finally, the remaining cost (basis) of \$53,200 (\$76.000 - \$22.800) could be depreciated under the current depreciation rules.

This would permit an additional depreciation deduction of \$7.980. Thus, the producer would be able to deduct a total of \$54,780 of the \$100,000 investment in the first year. This is an increase of \$19,380 as a result of the 30% additional first-year depreciation provision. Assuming the producer is in the 15% Federal

Federal income and self-employment tax savings would equal \$5,440.

Fuston said, "Although this is not a farm program, our agency administers many programs to support farm and ranch income and we want to make sure that producers are aware of this legislation so that they can take advantage of the tax savings." Fuston added that producers should consult with their accountant to discuss the application of the new legislation to their individual situation.

Nelson of Coleman; one son, Joel

Greer of Lubbock; five grandchil-

dren, Tammy Kimmel, Todd Herricks

and wife, Bobbi, all of Weinert. Tina

Adams and husband, David of

Haskell, Jason Greer of Lewisville

and Jared Greer of Houston; eight

great grandchildren, Tiffany Stiewert,

Ashley and Kylie Adams, all of

Haskell, Joshua and Colton Kimmel,

Shawn and Sara Duncan, all of

Weinert, Jacob Herricks of Munday;

one great grandchild, Shelby

Memorials may be made to the

Obituaries

Levi Queston Greer



LEVI GREER

Funeral services for Levi Queston Greer, 83, of Haskell were held Mon., April at First Baptist Church in Haskell with Dr. Troy Culpepper officiating. Masonic graveside rites followed in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Greer died Fri., March 29 at a Haskell care home.

Born Sept. 11, 1918 in Limestone County, he served in the U. S. Army during World War II. He retired from Amoco Oil Co. and was a member of the American Legion, Masonic Lodge and First Baptist Church.

Survivors include one daughter and son-in-law, Tinka and D. W.

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Mary Lou Landes

Memorial services for Mary Lou Landes, 54, of Abilene were held Thurs., March 28 at Pioneer Drive Baptist Church with David McQueen directing the services. A private family burial was held at Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home.

Mrs. Landes died Sun., March 24 at Abilene Regional

Born Sept. 14, 1947 in Rotan, she was a 1966 graduate of Roby High School. Five years ago, she moved from Rule to Abilene where she was employed by State National Bank. She married Ronald Landes in Rotan Aug. 12, 1965. She was a member of Beltway Park Baptist Church in Abilene, Downtown Kiwanis Club of Abilene, Abilene Chamber of Commerce Red Coats, a volunteer for the Abilene Meals on Wheels and active in Cross Country Emmaus Community.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Arnold and

of Haskell were held Mon., April 1 at Trinity Baptist

Church in Haskell with Kenneth Blair and Tony Grand

officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the

direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Ludora Campbell Neely; and two brothers, Archie Neely of Rotan and Billy Neeley of Snyder.

Stiewert of Haskell.

Survivors include her husband, Ronald Landes of Abilene; one daughter and son-in-law, Lori Landes Krackau and Charles of New Braunfels; one daughter, Traci Landes King of Abilene; three grandchildren, Kendell and Kelsey King of Abilene and Cade Krackau of New Braunfels; her father-in-law and mother-in-law, Loys and Dorothy Landes of Rotan; and several nieces, nephews, sister-in-laws and brother-in-laws.

Memorials may be made to the Cross Country Emmaus Community Scholarship Fund, P. O. Box 505, Knox City, Texas 79529; Meals on Wheels of Abilene, P. O. Box 503, Abilene, Texas 79604 or The University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center, P. O. Box 297153, Houston, Texas 77297-0153.

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, Donald Lynn Cunningham and wife, Denia of Haskell; three daughters, Oleta Charlene Del Valle of Rule, Juanita Maxine Judd and Billie Azile Larned and husband, David, all of Haskell; three sisters, Geneva Kingston of McLean, Opal Bale of Kermit, Beatrice Messenger of Haskell; nine grandchildren, Carl Edwin DelValle II, William Bruce DelValle, Bryan Keith DelValle, Leisha DelValle Walker, Timmy Allen Judd, Vickie Lynne Judd Bullard, Cathey Darlene Judd Isbell, Amy Lynette Cunningham, Donald Mathew Cunningham; eleven great grandchildren; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Memorials may be made to West Texas Rehabilitation Center or the donor's favorite charity.



Mr. Cunningham died Sat., March 30 at a local Born Jan. 18, 1916 in Red Springs, he married Juanita Jacobs June 9, 1936 in Haskell. She preceded him in death March 14, 1996. He owned and operated Cunningham Grocery Store in Haskell from 1958 to 1970. He was a

He was preceded in death by one brother, Noris Cunningham.



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Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Tuesday afternoon, Darlene Conn, son Daniel and daughter Julie of Burnet visited Mr. and Mrs. David Conn and Mom Joyce, helping David with some business. They stayed until Thursday.

Yours truly had a great 80th birthday through Mar. 28, with phone calls from all out of town children, brother Dolan in Panhandle and Syster-in-law Tiny in Anson. On Saturday the gang gave me a surprise hamburger lunch at the home of grandson and Mrs. Christopher Tatum. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Hawkins of Lewisville; Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Hawkins and children, Michael and Britney of Aspermont; Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Cockerell of Early; Glendon Hawkins of Anson; Margaret and Crcota Tatum; Clayton Hawkins; Sabrina and Amber Conn and the hosts, Christopher and Melissa and sons Zachary, Garett and Taylor, all of Haskell. Bobby Scheets came by later in the evening. Daughter Yvonne of Dimmitt called again on Sunday to see if I survived and how

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Castillo spent Thursday night in Abilene with his mom, Mrs. Jimenez. They left Friday morning by way of bus to San Antonio, where they spent the Easter

holiday with his daughter before returning home on Tuesday.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Blair on Easter Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Cody Blair and girls of Olney and Mr. and Mrs. David Muhle and children of Rochester.

Visiting with Bernice Hilliard during the Easter holidays were daughter Pat Shaw of Nash and son Kenneth Hilliard and friend, Marie Mason of Waco. Saturday evening they took her to Abilene to attend the Western Square and Round Association 5th weekend dance and dinner. Sunday morning they attended the First United Methodist

Charlene Hawkins spent Saturday night with daughter Tamera Hearn in Irving and came back Sunday bringing grandson Dakota Hearn home with her for a two week stay.

Hyrum and Jean Richards and Lois Redwine were in Big Spring recently, visiting Jean's uncle and Lois' brother-in-law, Gaylon Head, a resident of the Texas State Veterans Home in Big Spring.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jack Chapman and other relatives over the weekend was their son Keith Chapman of Georgtown.

Local book tair scheduled April 8-12

The annual Scholastic Book Fair is being sponsored by Haskell Elementary School beginning Mon., April 8th through Fri., April 12th. The book fair will be in the elementary school library and will be for students, teachers, and the public. This year's book fair theme is "Dive Into Reading - An Undersea Adventure." More books than ever

will be available to interest young and older readers alike.

Join the book fair adventure and help promote reading for our children. Book fair hours are 8:00 to 4:30 daily, and until noon on Friday. Don't miss the "Family Event" on Thursday evening, from 4:30 until 6:00, for a good time of book browsing and refreshments.

Births

Mitchell David Hiddessen, son of Captain Michael and Holli Hiddessen of Wichita, Kansas, was born at 3:23 a.m. Thurs., Mar. 28 at Wesley Hospital in Wichita, Kansas. He weighed 7 pounds, 3 ounces and

Hee Haw

The Sagerton Hee Haw will be held Thurs., Fri., and Sat., April 4, 5 and 6 beginning at 8 p.m. each evening. Thursday's performance is sold out. Tickets for the Friday and Saturday performances are \$4 each and may be obtained by calling 940-997-2688. Ticket sales are limited to ten tickets per person. Plate lunches, sandwiches and pies will be available in the cafeteria beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Grandparents are David and Glenda Hiddessen of Phoenix, Arizona and Doyle and Bettie High of Abilene. Great grandmother is Ruby Shyrock of White Mountain Lakes,

measured 18 inches long.



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MR. AND MRS. BOB MAPES

Mapes celebrate 50th anniversary

Mapes celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception Sat., Mar. 23 at the First Baptist Church of Haskell, Oklahoma.

The reception was hosted by their children and spouses.

The couple was married in Haskell, Texas, Mar. 29, 1952 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Piland, with the Rev. Mike Copeland offici-

Bob Mapes is a retired Haskell, Oklahoma businessman and Sally Mapes is a retired beautician. Both

Bob and Elizabeth "Sally" (Dean) are active members of the First Baptist Church there, where Bob is a member of the Adult II's and Sally is a member of the Naomi Sunday School class. They enjoy gardening and fishing with their friends.

The Mapes have three children; Mike and Pearline Mapes, Linda and Rocky Purdom, all of Haskell, Oklahoma. They have eight grandchildren and two great-grandsons.

Everyone enjoyed a wonderful time of reminiscing with friends and family at the reception.

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Session Two

Sunday 10:30 a.m. Haskell Church of Christ The Marriage Builder (part two): Mission Impossible (Filters out the secularism that taints our Christian beliefs and examines the true Godly foundation for marriage: to reflect the person of Jesus Christ.)

> Session Three Sunday 2:30 p.m.

His Needs - Her Needs: Who's meeting your spouse's needs? (Examines men's and women's top 5 needs in marriage.)

> Session Four Monday 7:00 p.m.

French, German or English? Learning to speak your spouses love language.

> Session Five Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

Husbands, Wives (and other forms of alien life): Embracing the differences. (Accepting the differences between men and women.)

> Childcare will be provided. For more information contact: Tom Long @ 864-2346 (day) John Foster @ 864-8011(evening)

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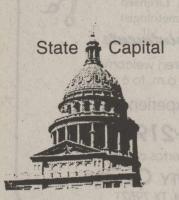
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OPINION



HIGHLIGHTS

By Mike Cox TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

Conventional wisdom back in the 1960s was that if nuclear war ever broke out, the Big Bend would be the best place in the state to hide.

That still might be a good idea, but watch out for the air quality there.

Parks The National Conservation Association, for the second year in a row, has listed Big Bend National Park as among the nation's top 10 most threatened national parks. The reason: Air pollution and the reduced flow of the Rio Grande.

On a good day visibility in the 800,000-acre park is as much as 100 to 200 miles. But on a bad day, which is increasingly more common, pollution cuts the view to 30 miles or less. One day recently, a change in wind direction dropped visibility from 100 to 8 miles.

The problem primarily is pollution from coal-fired power plants in Mexico, but studies have shown that the U.S. sources also have some culpability.

Back to conventional wisdom: Don't look for the problem to get any better any time soon.

Big wheels a' rolling...

It's against federal law for commercial vehicles to use radar detectors.

It's also against federal law to remove those little tags from decorative pillows, but a speeding 18wheeler is a lot more dangerous than a pillow.

Department of Public Safety License and Weight troopers have been equipped with 101 radar detector detectors, with 43 additional units expected this summer.

"The combination of size and speed can make large trucks a combination," lethal DPS Director Col. Thomas Davis Jr. said in announcing the grant-funded purchase of the detectors. "Because of their vehicle's sheer mass, truck drivers have a special responsibility to drive safely.

"Hopefully, this additional

enforcement tool will make them think twice about violating the speed limit.'

Ya'll come...

Tourists equal money for

Domestic and international visitors injected \$40.4 billion into the state's economy in 2000, according to the Texas Department of Economic Development.

Texas is the third most popular travel destination in the U.S., following California (No. 1) and Florida (No. 2.) Dallas gets the most in what the state agency calls "destination spending," followed by Houston, San Antonio, Austin, Fort Worth, El Paso, the Rio Grande Valley and Corpus Christi.

As the old Texas chamber of commerce saying goes: A tourist is worth more than a bale of cotton and a whole lot easier to pick. Highlighted...

In the figurative sense, a lot of people lost their shirts in the collapse of Houston-based Enron

Now Playboy Magazine would like to take pictures. The magazine is planning a "Women of Enron" edition.

The same magazine also is getting publicity in South Texas. One of the hottest contests in the state is a runoff for Senate Dist. 20 between Corpus Christi lawyer Barbara Canales-Black and McAllen State Rep. Juan "Chuy" Hinojosa.

Last week Canales-Black began running ads charging that Hinojosa had done legal work for

And, though the Playboy factor is a new touch, some things about South Texas don't change: A state district judge has impounded voting materials in Frio County and is moving to impound ballots that will be cast in the April 9 runoff.

All this is part of an investigation by the local district attorney, who says he is looking into allegations of criminal conduct in the March 12 primary.

Feeding your horse

Top quality roughage is vital in equine nutrition. Quality roughage assists in maintaining a healthy digestive system. However, maturity is the main contributing factor in the nutritional value of hay. Characteristics of good quality roughage include a high leaf-to-stem ratio, cleanliness, and a fresh smell and appearance.

are normally full of vitamins and carotene. Moldy hay should never be fed. In addition, check the bales for dirt, dust, or trash. This may indicate careless harvesting and may be harmful to the horse. The harvest season also affects the quality.

Horse owners may also mix grass hays with legumes to provide a tasty meal for their horses that is safe, Bales that are bright green in color palatable, and moderate in nutrient content.



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From The Inside Out

By Mary Kaigler

From the Inside Out

The month of April is Child Abuse Prevention Month. During this time, events such as Blue Ribbon Day, "Sock Out" projects and Teddy bear drives for children in crises, will be planned in many schools, to call attention to the problem and emphasize the importance of child abuse prevention.

However, the teachers and students in our schools and child-care providers should not be the only ones concerned and actively involved in this very real problem.

Keeping kids safe should be taken personally by all of us.

Our children's development and well being will determine the future of our communities. According to The Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services, it's up to all of us as individuals and together as a community to ensure our children's safety, improve their lives and ultimately our own.

It's very uncomfortable to watch an out-of-control adult or youth yell out, demean or even hit a child. Even more uncomfortable is the thought of doing something about it. But, as a member of the community, there are things we can do.

The Early Childhood Intervention program suggests doing the follow-

*Start a conversation with the adult to direct attention away from the child. For example:

"She seems to be trying your pa-"My child has gotten upset like

that, too.' "He has beautiful (eyes)."

"Children can wear you out, can't

they? Is there anything I can do to help?" *Divert the child's attention, if

misbehaving, by talking to the child. *Find an opportunity to praise the parent or child.

*Offer assistance if a child is in danger. For example, if the child is left unattended in a grocery cart, stand by until the parent returns.

*Avoid negative remarks or looks. These reactions are likely to increase the parent's anger and could make matters worse. *Become a foster parent or adop-

tive parent. In addition to personal interaction, adults can become a leader in the

community by promoting child abuse prevention activities, in clubs and organizations According to the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory

Services, some of the things children and students can do to prevent child abuse and neglect and to help insure their own safety are: *Say NO if someone tries to touch

or treat them in a way that makes them feel afraid or uncomfortable.

*Take a friend with them when they play outside or go places like the mall or the park.

*Always check first with parents or the person in charge before going anywhere or getting into a car, even with someone they know

*Memorize their address, telephone number and parent's names.

*Never touch a weapon, no matter where they find it. Leave it alone and contact a trusted adult right away.

*Talk with parents about how and when they should answer the phone. Never tell the caller they are home alone. Never give out information about their family over the phone. Hang up on a prank call.

*Ignore and walk away from anyone who tries to bully them. Tell an adult they can trust.

*Never give out personal information such as name, address, telephone number or picture to anyone over the Internet without parent's

*Never agree to get together with anyone the "meet" on-line without first checking with parents.

*If approached by a stranger, shout "NO" and run away quickly. Tell a trusted adult, or if an adult is not present, call 9-1-1 or "O" for operator

Faith leaders in the community, who often are called upon to deal with results of child neglect and abuse, are in an opportune position to "take it personally," and adopt preventive programs. Perhaps they might consider some of the following plans of action.

*Copy and distribute material through Sunday School classes, bulletins and newsletters. *Plan "family-oriented" activities

for the congregation, including workshops on parenting and child abuse prevention. *Invite experts to speak to parents

and youth groups, focusing on prevention. *Evaluate or establish policies

and procedures to ensure safety and security for children in their care. *Train employees and volunteers

on how to recognize the signs of abuse and ways to help victims and their families.

*Offer their buildings and resources for meetings of victims and support groups for parents.

*Organize resources for parents in the congregation, including respite care to parents, especially to parents of children with special needs.

*Participate in local child abuse prevention activities as a congrega-

*Develop training programs for youth in the congregation who want to be baby-sitters.

Hearing of child abuse is saddening to all of us; we shudder and we wonder how anyone could do such things. However, taking some of the responsibility for the prevention of it may very well be up to us. Perhaps we need to take a closer look at how we, as individual, caring people in our community, can make a difference, taking the prevention of child abuse personally, even if our concern and action touches only "one of the least of these...

From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

> 10 Years Ago April 2, 1992

Randy McLelland was named Haskell's "Outstanding Citizen" at the Chamber of Commerce banquet.

The United States Achievement Academy has announced that Casey Larned has been named a United States national award winner in Student Council.

Nichole Cothron and Holly Hobgood, both of Haskell, are among 26 high school girls who will compete in the West Texas Junior Miss Scholarship Program in Abilene.

20 Years Ago April 8, 1982

Six Weinert students placed in the Conference A District UIL Literary competition at Vernon. The students are Greg Turnbow, second in informative speaking; Danny McGuire and Mark Stewart, first in debate; Cristy Guess, second in poetry interpretation; Kim Forehand and Michelle Raynes, second in

The Jaycees' Sportsmanship Award was presented to Aaron Weaver and Monty Moeller for football and to Jeff Medford and Emily Cox for basketball. The awards were presented at the All-Sports Banquet sponsored by the Indian Booster Club.

W. L. "Blue" Holt was hired as athletic director for the 1982-83 school year for for Haskell High School.

30 Years Ago April 6, 1972

Haskell County 4-H'ers who exhibited at the San Angelo Fat Stock Show included Kyle, Calvin and Joe Wilfong in the beef division and Susan, Mark and Russ Lewis in the swine division.

40 Years Ago April 5, 1962

Shelly Royall, insurance representative with the Haskell County Farm Bureau, spent last week in Jackson, Miss. Royall was one of four representatives out of 22 in this area to win an expense-paid trip to Jackson.

Maxey Mullins and Bobby Gibson, Haskell students in Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, were recently initiated into Sigma Delta Sigma, men's social club at the

50 Years Ago April 3, 1952

Eugene Fischer of Rule FFA won first place in individual judging at the annual ACC Field Day in Abilenc.

The Busy Bluebirds met in the home of Jane Ann Sego.

Alfred E. Perry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Perry of Haskell, has been promoted to the grade of Staff Sergeant in the U.S. Air Force. S/ Sgt. Perry is a 1947 graduate of Paint Creek High School

90 Years Ago April 6, 1912

In the city election last Tuesday, the following were elected: T. C. Cahill, mayor; M. A. Clifton, J. S. Keister and N. McNeill, councilmen; Clyde F. Elkins, city attorney; J. F. Collier, assessor and collector; Leon Gilliam, secretary and treasurer; and J. W. French, city marshal.

Letters to the editor

Dear editor.

April has been designated as Child Abuse Prevention Month. Before you decide not to read this, assuming child abuse does not affect you or your family, please reconsider. The effects of child abuse and neglect should be taken personally by each of us.

The tragic effects of abuse and neglect on its victims alone should be enough to get you involved in the fight against abuse: however. consider these facts also. Each year. more than three million children are reported as abused or neglected in the United States. Three children die each day from abuse and neglect in this country.

Consider the financial costs of abuse and neglect in our society.

Economic costs include the funds spent each year on child welfare services for abused and neglected children as well as the large sums dedicated to addressing the short and long-term consequences of abuse. Victims of abuse are likely to have chronic health problems and mental health issues. Expenses for these issues exceed six billion dollars a

For fiscal year 1998, Federal expenditures to states for major child welfare programs exceeded \$4.5 billion. This figure includes child welfare services, foster care, adoption assistance, and family preservation and support, but excludes Medicaid dollars, an important source of treatment funding for children and families.

and require special education. another major cost. These victims often become juveniles who are involved in drug or alcohol abuse. teen pregnancy, homelessness. juvenile delinquency and ultimately. adult criminality. Haven't we all been affected by crime in America?

What can you do to help? Be alert and aware of children in our communities. If you suspect a child is being neglected or abused, report it. The Texas Abuse Hotline Number is 1-800-252-5400.

If you have room in your home and heart to really make a difference in a child's life, there are approximately 134,000 children in the United States awaiting adoption.

The victims of neglect and abuse These are children who have been often suffer from learning disorders victimized and failed by the adults in thir lives. They deserve a chance to have a supportive family and at least a better chance at a happy life. These children are already in our world and it is up to responsible citizens to attempt to help them be productive citizens in our society. You can inquire about these children through The Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services or on the internet at adopt.org.

I. Kim Bassett. County Constable. am committed to recognizing this month as Child Abuse Awareness month and will do my best to inform the public of this devastating and tragic problem. Please consider your ability and opportunities to help these victims.

Kim Bassett

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Texas heritage leads Progressive Study Club group to

By Mary Kaigler

The Haskell Progressive Study Club's Texas Heritage program and meeting, Wed., Mar. 27, was quite a departure from a regular club program and meeting; stretching all the way to the state's capital city, lasting from dawn until well after dark, and covering all of the program's implied categories of "historical places, people and events."

Twenty-two club members and eighteen guests began boarding the chartered bus at 6:30 a.m. During the 4 1/2 hour trip to Austin a light breakfast, coffee and juice were served by hostesses Frances Lane, Nancy Toliver, Doris Jordan, Mary Kaigler, Anita Herren and club president, Oleta Cornelius. Along the way, during the playing of word games, such as "Chocolate on the brain," led by "tour guide" Nancy Toliver giving chocolate Easter bunnies for prizes, there was a whole lot of chocolate going on--and in.

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The first destination was the Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum, where special tables for lunch were reserved for the group in the star-decorated Story of Texas Cafe. Each chicken lunch was uniquely served in a colorful straw cowboy hat. (The mental picture of 42 fun-loving women from West Texas wearing child-sized straw cowboy hats the rest of the day was an intriguing, if not a little scary, possibility that never developed, however.)

Following a tour of the Bullock Museum, the group visited and toured the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs (TFWC) Headquarters Clubhouse in Austin, which has three historical designations: The National Register of Historical Places, Texas Historical Landmark and Austin Historical Landmark. The TFWC Texas Heritage Department was created in 1953, making Texas the only state in the General Federation of Women's Department.

The Haskell group posed for a picture in the Headquarters foyer where a picture hangs of Mrs. J. U. Fields of Haskell, who served as the state TFWC president from 1925-27. Mrs. Field's presidency is also recognized with a granite marker along the front walkway of the historic building.

At 3:00 p.m., the group, now grown to about fifty due to several family members who joined them in Austin, was welcomed to the Texas Governor's Mansion by Texas' First Lady, Haskell native, Anita Perry, a former member of the Haskell Progressive Study Club. After a lot of "old-home-week" visiting and a tour of the historical home and outdoor gardens, led by docents, a beautifully appointed tea was served in the spacious dining room by mansion staff members. A book was presented to the First Lady in appreciation from the club.

With her schedule that day filled with a noon luncheon, the tea at 3 o'clock and a 4:00 p.m. Easter egg hunt that was being readied by staff members on the lawns as the departing Haskell group posed on the front steps for her official photographer, Anita Perry's comment that the best thing about living in the beautiful, historic home is that, "I don't have to do anything," seemed like an understatement of her

many official duties. Back at the Bullock Museum, the group viewed the "The Spirit of Texas" film, which gave a dynamic, capsule history of the people, circumstances, determination and grit that established and made the Star of Texas shine.

After their day out in the pleasant Texas spring weather and a full day of touring and talk of history, with every appointment on the full agenda met on time, the group left the Austin scene at 5:30 p.m.

On the way back to Haskell,

riding through the moonlit landscape. sharing stories, sandwiches, snacks and special camaraderie, the consensus of opinion of club members and their guests could very well be said to be that we do, indeed, enjoy a great heritage in our state. and that, for sure, "Life's too short not to live it as a Texan.

Club members riding the bus were: Dorothy Hartsfield. Anita Herren, Frances Lane, Linda Lane-Bloise, Shirley Reed, Julia Harrell, Doris Reeves Jordan, Nancy Toliver, Jill Druesedow, Joe Ann Thane, Evelyn Cobb, Oleta Cornelius, Erma Liles, Kay Croft, Bettie Wainscott, Eva Dunnan, Jeannie Richards, Nelda Lane, Billie McKeever, Ruby Turner. Ruby Smith and Mary Kaigler. Member Franciene Johnson and husband Elbert, joined the group in Austin.

Guests riding the bus were: Linda Calhoun, Jewell Pittman, Jan Gannaway, Suzanne Starr, Anita Lane, Tinka Herricks Nelson, Opal

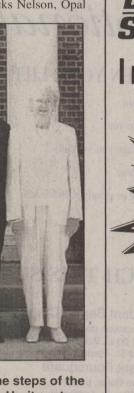
Therwanger, Ernestine Herren. Louisa Archibald, Lois Richardson. Sylvia Mayfield, Mary Young, Nell Ashbrook, Joanne Parrott, Laura Alsabrooke, Frances Bowen, and Jo

Now nearing the end of the club year's varied activities planned by the yearbook committee, chaired by Julia Harrell, the club will travel to Abilene April 12 to attend the ACU

Dinner Theater production of "For Such a Time as This," the story of

Organized and federated 65 years ago by 25 young Haskell women, including present members, Frances Walling Lane, Anita Herren and Ruby Smith, the Progressive Study Club has continued to be an active. contributing factor in community affairs and improvement projects.





STUDY CLUB IN AUSTIN-Members of the Haskell Progressive Study Club pose on the steps of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs' historic Headquarters Building during their Texas Heritage tour which also included having tea at the Governor's Mansion as guests of Texas' First Lady Anita Perry.

Area UIL Results

Area students placing in the top three of their contests in the District 10-A academic meet in Jayton were: Calculator applications: 1st,

Kristin Hertel, Rule. Team calculator applications: 2nd, Melina Garcia, Erica Martinez,

Marcus Williams, Rochester. Computer applications: 2nd, Chrissy Ramirez, Rule.

Current issues and events: 1st, Kyle Falkner, Rule; 3rd, Gilbert Saucedo, Rochester.

Team current issues and events: 1st, Gilbert Saucedo, Tiffany Byrd, Dala Nicholson, Rochester; 2nd, Kyle Falkner, Craig Simpson, Samuel Turner, Rule.

Number sense: 3rd, Samuel Turner, Rule.

Ready writing: 2nd Marcie Stoddard, Rochester; 3rd, Jessica Garcia, Rochester.

Team spelling: 2nd, Kristen Hertel, Abby Dudensing, Lisa Caddell, Rule.

Prose interpretation: 3rd, Hayley Herode Rochester.

Poetry interpretation: 1st, Tamara Taylor, Rochester.

Informative extemporaneous speaking: 1st Josh Hearn, Rochester. Persuasive extemporaneous speaking: 1st, Marcie Stoddard, Rochester; 3rd, Courtney Buerger,

Paint Creek. News writing: 3rd, Chrissy Ramirez, Rule.

Feature writing: 3rd, Ross Short,

Editorial writing:1st, Gilbert

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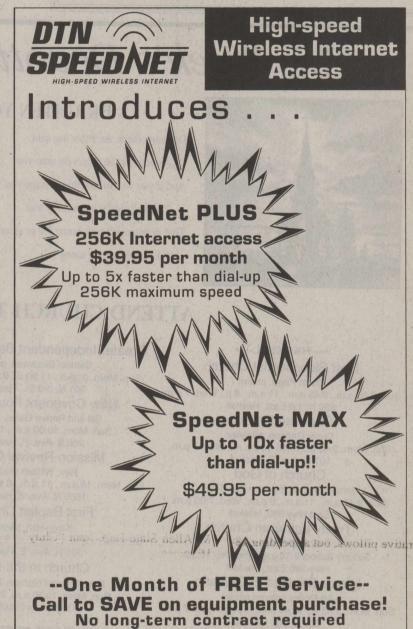
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High school pitcher one of three "M's"



MEAGAN LEHRMANN

Meagan Lehrmann of Katy. daughter of former Rule residents, Ricky and Carla Lehrmann, is one of three Taylor High School's softball pitchers known as the three "M"s, after being named that by sports reporter Patrick G. Laake. Writing in his "Sports Talk" col-

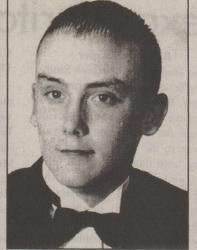
umn that the girls are probably too young to remember hearing anyone talking about the M&M boys, Roger Maris and Mickey Mantle. Laak said, "but they, like Maris and Mantle, will probably make a name for themselves just as the famous baseball duo did during their home

The District 19-5A trio of tough competitors. Malissa Magee. Meagan Lehrmann and Michelle Vauthrin are spending time, gaining experience, and doing a good job for Taylor coach Terry Kangas, Laake

Lehrmann is the granddaughter of Doris Lehrmann of Rule and the late Norvell Lehrmann. Her great grandmother is Minnie Monse, formerly of Sagerton, who now resides at Rice Spring Care Home in Haskell.



CASEY MOELLER



B. J. OPSAHL

Students visit Rotary Club

Casey Moeller is the son of Allen and Rhonda Moeller of Haskell. He attends Haskell First Baptist

In school he is active in football,

baseball and agriculture. His favorite leisure time activities are fishing, hunting and hanging out

After finishing high school he plans to attend Howard County Junior College and possibly Sam Houston State University. He plans

to become a game warden.

B. J. Opsahl is the son of Greg and Debbie Brister of Haskell.

He attends Haskell First Baptist

In school he is active in livestock judging, agriculture mechanics, leadership and cross country track.

At the 2002 San Angelo Livestock Show he placed 8th in the lamb division. He is the 2001-02 F.F.A.

Among his favorite pastimes are showing lambs, working, hunting and fishing.

After finishing high school he plans to attend Howard County Junior College before transferring to a four-year university.

This Week's Devotional Message:



BRIGHTEN YOUR LIFE WITH THE GOLDEN RULE

Do unto others, the Bible has said,

As you'd have others do unto you;

And if you will follow this passage you've read,

You will find it is certainly true

That in business, your home life or simply with friends, It is easier getting along

If you'll never be forced into making amends,

Just because you have done someone wrong.

So to learn more about this unfailing advice That will frequently serve as a warning.

You should go to your Church, where it's only the price

Of an hour on next Sunday morning.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

---HASKELL--East Side Baptist Church David Page, pastor Sun. 8:30 a.m., 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m. 600 N. 1st East, Haskell Christian Church Dusty Garison, minister Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 107 N. Ave. F, Haskell Church of God

James Rincker, pastor • 864-5438 Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7:00 p.m. East Hwy 380, Haskel Trinity Lutheran Church Gary Bruns, pastor Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30 Hwy 380 East, Haskell

Iglesia Bautista El Calvario Art Flores, Interim pastor 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 Steve Beatty, pastor

Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m. 306 N. Ave. E, Haskell Trinity Baptist Church Tony Grand, pastor Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 p. 401 S. Ave. D, Haskell

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

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Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p. 301 N. 3rd St., Haskell New Covenant Foursquare Bill and Renee Glass, pastors Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. 200 S. Ave. F, Haskell Mission Revival Center

Rev. William Hodge Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m. 1600 N. Ave. B, Haskell First Baptist Church

Kevin Hall, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 301 N. Ave. E, Haskell Church in the Park

Rev. Tim and Suzann Townsend Sun. Morn. 10:30 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m. Gazebo or Pavillion -PAINT CREEK-

Paint Creek Baptist Church Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.

·--WEINERT-First Baptist Church Chris Powell, pastor Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 7 p.m.

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

---ROCHESTER--Church of Christ Steve Wilis, minister Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m. West on Main Street, Rochester First Baptist Church Troy Culpepper, pastor Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m. 500 Main, Rochester Union Chapel Baptist Church

Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. Rochester ---O'BRIEN--O'Brien Baptist Church

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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. Faith Lutheran Church

Deborah Nissen, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.

---RULE--First Baptist Church Scott Hensley, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 1001 Union Ave., Rule **Primitive Baptist Church** Dale Turner Jr., pastor First & Third Sundays 10 a.m. Corner of 8th & Robins, Rule Church of Christ

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. Floves Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.

Elm Street•Hwy 380 E, Rule Sweet Home Baptist Church Bill Trice, pastor Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m. Gladstone Ave., Rule

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

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April 8-12 Breakfast

Juice and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.

Monday: Breakfast pizza Tuesday: Pigs in a blanket Wednesday: Cereal, toast Thursday: Sausage, biscuit Friday: Bavarian long johns

Lunch

Milk and iced tea are served daily at the Secondary campus. Milk is served daily at the Elementary School.

Monday: Barbeque on a bun, pickle spears, onion/sweet pickle relish. tater tots, peach cobbler

Tuesday: Chicken spaghetti, fried okra, green beans, hot rolls, lemon pudding/vanilla wafers

Wednesday: Chicken fajitas, onions/ peppers, grated cheese/salsa/sour cream, garden salad, orange wedges Thursday: Fish sticks (Scroodles), mashed potatoes, English peas, hush puppies, pineapple tidbits

Friday: Cheeseburger, lettuce/ tomato.pickle slices. French fries, oatmeal cookie

ECC Calendar and Menu

Mon., April 8

Lunch-Ground beef/spaghetti, fresh tossed salad, pinto beans, garlic toast, and bread pudding, milk, tea,

Wed., April 10

11:00 a.m. Outreach Health Services blood pressure check

Lunch-Baked chicken breasts, potatoes augratin, buttered corn,

green beans/bacon, yeast rolls, and peach cobbler, milk, tea, or coffee Fri., April 12

Lunch-Ground beef/noodles.

blackeyed peas, glazed carrots, brocolli/cheese sauce, yeast rolls, brownies and pears, milk, tea or

Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.

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Written By Richard E. Rodgers, CPA



NEW TAX LAW AFFECTS 2001 INCOME TAX RETURNS

After months of negotiations, Congress finally passed a longawaited economic stimulus package. The Job Creation and Worker Assistance Act of 2002 was signed into law on March 9, 2002, but some of its provisions are retroactive to 2001. Here's a look at what's included in this new law:

Bonus depreciation. Businesses can write off "bonus" depreciation for certain assets purchased after September 20, 2001, and before September 11, 2004. This amounts to an upfront 30% deduction for the cost of most office equipment and computer software, most manufacturing equipment, and certain property improvements. This bonus depreciation is in addition to the regular first-year depreciation deduction. For luxury autos, the first-year depreciation deduction increases from \$3,060 to \$7,660.

Net operating losses. The new law extends the net operating loss carryback period to five years. Before, you could generally carry back losses for only two years. A loss carryback can be used to offset prioryear income to generate an immediate tax refund.

Unemployment benefits. The new law extends unemployment benefits an additional 13 weeks in states with at least a 4% unemploy-

The Liberty Zone. Businesses located in a specified area of lower Manhattan deemed the "New York Liberty Zone" will receive special tax breaks to help rebuild and recover from the September 11 attacks.

Other breaks. For 2002 and 2003, teachers receive a new deduction for their out-of-pocket costs for classroom supplies. And there's a twoyear extension for the work opportunity credit, the welfare-to-work credit, and the electric vehicle credit.

If you already filed your 2001 tax return, you may need to amend your return to take advantage of the new tax breaks. For details about this new tax law and how it affects your situation, call our office.

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Tommy Watson and Laura Rose

The family of Sandra Wallace would like to express our appreciation to our friends in the community for the wonderful outpouring of love and support during Sandra's illness and following her passing. Your cards, visits, food and prayers provided more comfort than words can express. A special thank you to Dr. Wayne Cadenhead and staff, to the Methodist Church who brought food to Sandra over the years, First Baptist Church for the wonderful lunch and service and the many friends who showed their support over the past several years.

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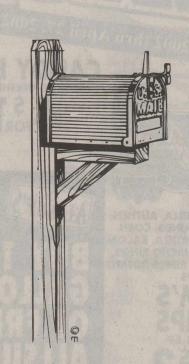
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UIL MEET WINNERS-Paint Creek students placing in the top six winners at the Spring UIL Meet in Jayton were, I-r, Maggie Brzozowski, placing 4th in both feature writing and newswriting; Eric Hobbs, placing 2nd in chemistry; Courtney Buerger, placing 3rd in persuasive speaking and 6th in headline writing; and Kelly Thompson, placing 6th in persuasive speaking.



UIL PARTICIPANTS-Paint Creek students participating in the UIL Meet in Jayton, Sat., Mar. 23 were: Back, I-r, Chris Hobbs, Eric Hobbs, Brian Scifres, Craig Lowrance, Amy Huggins and Natasha Lopez. Front, Cassie Lamb, Skeet Hope, Courtney Buerger, Tommy Barr, Bonnie Emert, Maggie Brzozowski and Kelly Thompson.



SPEAKER-Paint Creek student, Courtney Buerger will advance to the UIL Regional competition in persuasive speaking.

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