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# Congratulations, Graduates! Haskell Free Press

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"The People's Choice'

### All Night Party set for grads

The Haskell County Parents group has planned an All Night Party 2003-at the Haskell Civic Center for students after graduation exercises, Fri., May 23, from 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. Sat., May 24.

The event will be an alcohol and drug free fun activity to help keep students safe on graduation night.

Included in the activities will be inflatable games, which have been a huge success, sponsored by Haskell National Bank, First National Bank Haskell and First National Bank Rochester. Other activities planned are a dance, games, table tennis tournament and drawings for prizes, made possible by generous donations by businesses, individuals and clubs' in the Haskell County and Abilene areas.

All county high school students or college students for the year 2002-03 (freshmen through seniors) are invited to come and help make this a night to remember.

Students are asked to bring \$2.00 and a donation of food to get in the door. Juniors should bring a 2-liter soft drink or a 6-pack of bottled. water. Sophomores are asked to bring chips or dip. Freshmen are asked to bring a dessert. Graduating seniors will be admitted free and are not asked to bring a donation of food.

#### Calendar Early deadline

Deadline for news and advertising for the May 29 edition of the Haskell Free Press will be Thurs., May 22 at 5 p.m. The newspaper office will be closed, Mon., May 26 for Memorial Day. Sagerton homecoming

In graduation exercises this month, a total of ninety-six high school seniors will receive diplomas from the four Haskell County School systems; an increase of thirteen over last year.

#### Haskell

Fifty-four Haskell seniors will graduate during the school's commencement exercises, Fri., May 23, at 8:00 p.m. at Indian Stadium. In case of inclement weather, the ceremony will be held Sat., May 24, at 10:00 a.m.

Those graduating are: Toni Abila, Mandy Adams, Rudy Alvarez, Angela Brown, Sydney Brueggeman, Ross Bullinger, Ryan Burgess, Zack Coker, William Cooper, Wade Cothron, Morgan Cox, Jacklyn Escobedo, Kelly Gadry.

Melvin Garcia, Kelly Glass, Emmanuel Gonzalez, Leon Goudeau, Leslie Grand, Any Guadalcazar, Kristy Guzman, Whitney Hise, Rusty Howard, James Jeanes, Jennifer Landreth, Brittany Lindsey, Josh Lopez, Eddie Loyd, Benita Lucio, Andy Martinez, Keli Jo McCarty, Heath McCulloch, Katie McKnight, Hollie Olson, Alfred Ozuna.

Omar Payan, Angel Pena, Wendy Proctor, Trent Richardson, Juan Rivera, Frank Robledo, Kristen Rodela, Kimberly Rodriquez, Nikki Rojo, Eric Sanchez, Taylor Seelke, Chase Seelke, Christi Sorrells, Jillian Thomas, Thomas Tidrow, Larry Trevino, Veronica Vasquez, Jill Watson, Josh Webb, T. J. Yates.

Valedictorian is Jaclyn Escobedo, daughter of Jackie Escobedo of Haskell and Irene Castillo of Munday. Salutatorian is Sydney Brueggeman, daughter of Danny and Connie Brueggeman.



**JACKLYN ESCOBEDO** VALEDICTORIAN HASKELL



VALEDICTORIAN ROCHESTER

Kara Grant. Salutatorian is Hattie Walton daughter of Darlene Walton



96 students to graduate in Haskell County

SALUTATORIAN HASKELL



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daughter of Jamie Davis. Salutatorian is Erica Martinez.



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Sagerton Homecoming is set May 24-25 at the Sagerton Community Center beginning at 1 p.m. on Sat. Contact Mrs. Charles Clark 940-864-2680 for more information.

#### Parade

The Wild Horse Prairie Days parade will be held Fri., June 6 at 5 p.m. Those interested in entering should call Loutina White at 864-3507. Prizes will be awarded.

#### Calt roping

The John Wallace Memorial Calf Roping will be held Sun., June 1 at the Haskell County Arena beginning with the introduction of the ropers at 3 p.m. A Todd Sloan trophy saddle will be awarded to the average winner. For more information or to enter call Mark Wallace 940-864-4848 or Carl Hopkins 864-5299 by 9 p.m. May 27. Old Glory musical

The Old Glory Musical will be held Sat., May 24 at the Community Center in Old Glory. The concession stand will open at 5:30 and the music will start at 6 p.m. For more information call 940-989-2925 or 989-2833.

#### **Band Boosters**

The Haskell Indian Band Boosters will meet Thurs., May 22 at the Band Hall.

#### Playday

The Stamford Jr. Sheriff's Posse.will host a playday Sat., May 24 at 7 p.m. Coggins required.

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#### **Paint Creek**

Fifteen seniors will receive diplomas in the school auditorium, at 8:00 p.m. Fri., May 23.

Graduating are Lisa Acosta, Jason Biba. Maggie Brzozowski, Kandis Daniel, Diana Gonzales, Jason Hickman, Eric Hobbs, Skeet Hope, Lesli Isbell, Cassie Lamb, Ryan Leech, Craig Lowrance, Erin Terrell, Justin Trussell and Hattie Walton.

Valedictorian is Cassie Lamb, daughter of Billy and Tina Lamb and

#### and the late Larry Walton. Rochester

Sixteen Rochester seniors will receive diplomas Fri., May 30 at Simmons Auditorium.

A baccalaureate service was held Sun., May 18.

Graduating are: Tiffany Byrd, Frank Cruz, Rosa Cruz, Kristi Flores, Erica Martinez, Dala Nicholson, Lana Patterson, Roxann Ramos, Billy Sanchez, Carlos Sanchez, Aaron Seballos, Kristie Silvas, Marcie Stoddard, Chance Strickland, Tamara Taylor and Josh Warren.

Valedictorian is Marcie Stoddard,

daughter of Mandy Martinez. Rule

Eleven seniors will receive diplomas from Rule High School, Fri., May 23, at the school May 18.

Graduating are: Christina Diaz, Trey Kittley, Tara Lisle, Justin McDuff, Crystal Milburn, Joseph Navarrette, Melanie Navarrette,

Stephens.

The valedictorian is Chrissy Ramirez, daughter of Luis and Joyce Ramirez. Salutatorian is Tara Lisle. daughter of Kay and David Lisle.

### Graduation edition inside

Appearing in this edition of the Haskell Free Press is our annual graduation section.

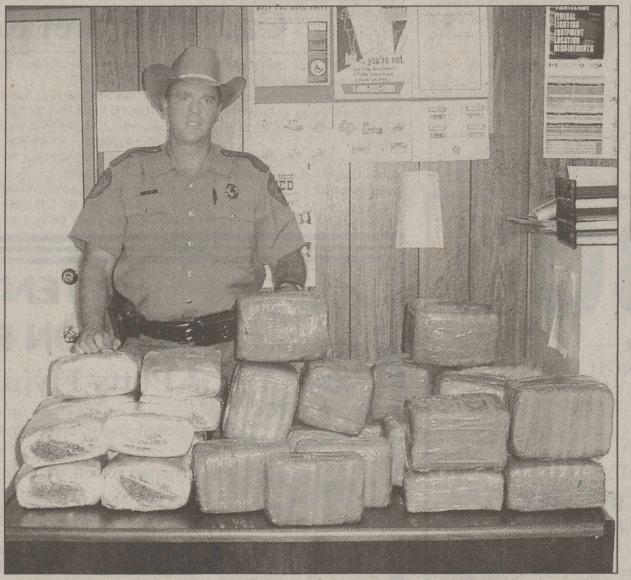
Our thanks to Launa Medford at Paint Creek School, Sandra Fry at Rochester School and Bobby

Robinson at Rule School for their help in providing the seniors' pictures from their schools for use in this traditional edition featuring this year's Haskell County seniors.

Thanks to all the students, parents,

Bobbie Johnson of Kis Photo and other individuals who helped provide

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photos of the Haskell seniors.



### Marijuana found by Trooper Adams during traffic stop

DRUG STOP-Texas Highway Patrol Trooper Lance Adams is shown with approximately 150 pounds of marijuana obtained during a traffic stop of this truck tractor on Thurs., May 15. Adams stopped the northbound truck tractor semi-trailer approximately ten miles south of Haskell for a traffic violation. During the course of the stop, Adams obtained consent to search the cab of the truck which lead to the discovery of a large duffle bag filled with wrapped bundles of marijuana. Assisted by Troopers Johnny Josselet, Brody Moore and Sgt. Jodie Tullos, Adams arrested the two male occupants of the truck tractor. A further search of the truck revealed two additional large duffle bags containing bundles of marijuana. Estimated street value of the marijuana recovered is \$204,000. Both men were charged with delivery of marijuana more than 50 lbs. and less than 2,000 lbs., a first degree felony with a punishment of up to 99 years in prison and \$10,000 fine.

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### Pokey the Clown coming to town

Do you know a group of young people who are looking for a fun way to start their summer? Well, here's good idea.

During the Wild Horse Prairie Days events in Haskell, coming up on June 6-7, Pokey the Clown will be on hand to be in charge of the Working Ranch Cowboy Association Junior Ranch Rodeo (WRCA).

The Junior Ranch Rodeo is the creation of Pokey the Clown, also known as Doug Smith, from Panhandle. While clowning at WRCA ranch rodeos across Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Colorado, he realized that there was nothing for the kids to do. In 1997 he organized the Junior Ranch Rodeo, which is mirrored after the adult ranch rodeo, but geared to involve young people four through sixteen years of age.

Team events for the Haskell Junior Rodeo will include a Pony. Express Race, Steer Doctoring, Wild Cow Milking and Calf Branding, all complete with handmade wooden "livestock." The three age divisions will be Pee Wee (4-7), Junior (8-11) and Senior (12-16). All competitors will compete on stick horses. The cost is \$20.00 per team, with 4 persons on each team.

A warm-up practice session will



SUE HERTEL



Funeral services for Elvin Dan Kinney, 75, of Rule were held Tues.,

May 20 at First Baptist Church in Rule with Rev. Mike Herrington and Funeral services for Helen Louise Felker, 80, of

Gainesville were held Sat., May 17 at Geo. J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home in Gainesville with Rev. Rob Spencer, pastor, Whaley United Methodist Church officiating. Burial was in Hood Cemetery in Cooke County under the direction of Geo. J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home.

Mrs. Felker died Tues., May 13 in Gainesville Memorial Hospital.

Born Aug. 8, 1922 in Cooke County, she was the daughter of J. C. and Myrtie Frazier Gregory. She graduated from the Hood High School and Cooke County Junior College. She attended North Texas State Teachers College. She married Kenneth Felker March 31, 1944 in Gainesville. They entered the restaurant business following Kenneth's discharge from the Army in 1947. They established several "family style" restaurants in various towns including Altus, Oklahoma, Seymour, Vernon, Whitesboro and Haskell. They had a great working relationship. Helen worked "The Front" and

Funeral services for David O. Hunt, 70 of Canyon were

held Mon., May 12 at First Baptist Church in Canyon

with Rev. David Lowrie, pastor and Dr. Strauss Atkinson,

pastor emeritus, officiating. Burial was in Dreamland

Cemetery under the direction of Brooks Funeral Directors.

son of David O. Sr. and Willie Mae Hunt. He attended

school in Rule where he was an outstanding football

player. He graduated from West Texas State University

in 1955 with a degree in business administration. He

served in the U.S. Army for two years during the Korean

War. He married Carolyn Honea in 1957 in Rule. They

moved to Canyon in 1964. He was employed as an

accountant for Affiliated Foods, Deaf Smith Feed Yard

The market at the Haskell

Livestock Auction was on a run of

445 head of cattle at its sale on Mon.,

May 19, according to Gary Tate,

reporter. 55 sellers and 32 buyers

stocker feeders steady to higher;

Stocker cows \$5-10 lower;

Cows: fat, .34-.39; cutters, .36-

attended.

packers steady.

Born Sept. 24, 1932 in Haskell County, he was the

#### **Obituaries Mary Sue Hill Hertel**

Funeral services for Mary Sue Hill Hertel, 56, of Haskell were held Sun., May 18 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Haskell with Pastor Stan Leaf officiating and Dean and Patsy Quade assisting. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home.

Mrs. Hertel died Thurs., May 15 at an Abilene hospital.

Born May 4. 1947 in Anson. she was the daughter of Aaron Crem and Billie Thomas Hill. She married Alvin (Butch) Carl Hertel Nov. 4. 1967 in Rule. She was a homemaker and member of the Trinity Lutheran Church.

She was preceded in death by her father, Aaron Crem Hill; sisters. Judy Hill and Shirley Barton and brother Elvin Dan Kinney

### Rev. Josh Stowe officiating, Burial

was in Willow Cemetery in Haskell under the direction of Kinney-Underwood Funeral Home in Stamford.

Mr. Kinney died Sun., May 18. Born June 21, 1927 in Idalou, he was the son of D. L. and Myrtle Lewellen Kinney. He married Minnie Pearl Hodgin Oct. 26, 1944. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the Medical Corp of the U.S. Army. He was a cotton farmer in Rule, Haskell County, for 55 years. He was a member of First Baptist Church in Rule where he served as a deacon for 44 years and Sunday School Superintendent for 8 years.

He was preceded in death by his father, D. L.; and an infant brother. Survivors include his wife of 58

#### Helen Louise Felker

restaurant in Haskell in 1973. They moved to Gainesville where Kenneth was the manager of The Lodge at Lake Kiowa and she worked at Southland Paint where she retired in 1988. She was a member of Whatley United Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Kenneth Felker; her parents; brother, William Gregory; and sisters, Jean Gregory, Ruth Watts and Wanda Stedman.

Survivors include son, Kenneth Jon Felker, Rockwall: son and daughter-in-law, Gary Lynn and Kristine Felker, Odessa; and daughter, Karen Jean Felker, Arlington; four grandchildren and many cousins, nieces and nephews; brothers, Thomas Gregory, Waco and Donald Gregory, Kerrville; sisters, Thelma Odom, Fort Worth and Pat Selby, Era.

Pallbearers were Steve Gregory, Jerry Hannsz, Joe Felker, Michael Selby, Greg Selby and Sexott Selby.

Memorials may be made to Hood Cemetery Association, c/o Connie Purcell, 1716 CR 340,

Bobby Gilbreath.

Survivors include her husband. Alvin (Butch) Carl Hertel of Haskell: children, Ronald Hertel of Oklahoma City, Okla., David Hertel and wife, Rhonda of Citronelle, Alabama. Charles Hertel and wife. Lindy of Beckville, and Kevin Hertel and wife, Kim of Columbia, Maryland: mother. Billie Thomas Gilbreath of Trinity: sister, Billie Jo Miller of Fort Worth: grandchildren, Tessa Hertel. Autumn Hertel, Brandon Hertel. Megan Hertel Byrd. Chad Hertel. Cody Hertel. Brittany Hertel. Victoria Hertel, Wyatt Hertel; and great granddaughter. Christa Byrd.

Memorials may be made to Trinity Lutheran Church in Haskell. PD. NOTICE

years, Minnie Pearl of Rule; two sons, Ronald Kinney of Rule and Dwight Kinney of Abilene: four grandchildren, Sandy Anderson of Dallas, Amanda Kinney of Euless, Clay Kinney, Trevor Kinney of Abilene; his mother, Myrtle Kinney of Haskell: three sisters. Pauline Lewis of Rochester, Margaret Dalton of Rule and Nell Heath of Spade: two brothers, Roy Kinney of Sunrise, Florida and Lynn Kinney of Tyler.

Pallbearers were Tick Elmore, Buz Hisey, Junior Mathis, Pete Kittley, James Marcus, Lee Roy Wilson, Billy Dove Kittley and Gilbert Colmanero.

Honorary pallbearers were grandsons, Clay and Trevor Kinney and Mr. Kinney's Sunday School Class. PD. NOTICE

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be held for the teams at 1:00 p.m., Fri., June 6 at the Fair Arena. The actual events will be held there at 1:30 p.m., Sat., June 7.

Under the National WRCA circuit, with which the Haskell Wild Horse Prairie Days Rodeo is affiliated, these Junior Rodeos are planned for the entertainment of children, and to enable them to experience some of the skills used by real working ranch cowboys. They are designed to teach young people to work together as a team to accomplish a task.

Medals will be awarded to the winning team in each age division, along with an invitation to advance to compete in the National WRCA Junior Rodeo in Amarillo, Nov. 15.

and a list of the rules, please contact Gerre Larned at (940) 864-2454 or (940) 864-2471.

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David O. Hunt

**Cattle Market Report** 

.64-.75; utility, .42-.47.

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Steers: medium and large frame

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400 lbs., 1.00-1.15; 400-500 lbs.,

.94-1.05; 500-600 lbs., .82-.95; 600-

700 lbs., .77-.90; 700-800 lbs., .74-

No. 1 200-300 lbs., .95-1.35; 300-

Heifers: medium and large frame

and Killgore Children's Psychiatric Hospital. He retired in 1995 from Nunn Electric Supply after serving in many capacities. He was a member of First Baptist Church and several professional organizations.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and a brother, George Hunt, in 2001.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Michael Hunt and wife, Chip of Amarillo and Kyle Hunt and wife, LeeAnn of Chandler, Arizona; two sisters, Joyce Wooten of Canyon and Tommie Wright of Austin; and two grandchildren.

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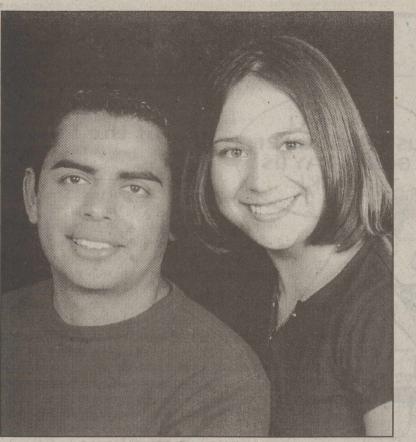
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**GAVINO ORTIZ III – KRISTEN RODELA** 

## Rodela, Ortiz to be wed July 5

Kristen Dawn Rodela of Haskell at Haskell High School. and Gavino Ortiz III, of South Padre Island, have -announced their engagement to be married.

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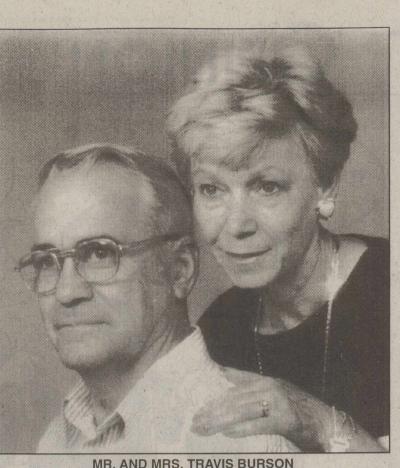
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The wedding is planned for July 5, at East Side Baptist Church in Haskell.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Raymond and Dawn Rodela of Haskell. She is a graduating senior

The prospective bridegroom is the son of Robert and Linor Ortiz of Haskell. He is a graduate of Haskell High School, and is employed by the U. S. Coast Guard on South Padre Island on a law enforcement operations group involved in counter narcotics, alien interdiction and search and rescue



## **Bursons** celebrate 50th anniversary

Travis and Peggy Burson of Lubbock will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Sat., May 24.

Travis and the former Peggy Kennamer were married May 24, 1953 in Haskell.

The couple has two children.

Speegle live in Katy. Grandson Travis Speegle is a student at Baylor University.

Son Bruce Burson and wife, Sheeley, live in Lubbock.

### **Brazos West Art Club** inducts new officers

The Brazos West Art Association met May 12 at the Haskell National Bank Community Room for a salad supper and installation of officers. Peggy Middlebrook presided at the meeting.

Carolyn Everett conducted the installation ceremonies using the theme "Americanism."

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treasurer.

new club member.

Daughter Joni and husband Steve

Many area seniors have made Graduation Gift selections at *The Drug Store*. Call or come by today to choose a gift for your special graduate. We will contact each graduate to pick up his or her gifts.

Travis and Peggy Burson

50th Wedding Anniversary

May 24, 2003

Graduation

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## Calories, not number of meals, important

How many meals do you really need to eat?

In today's busy world, it's hard to make time to sit down to three meals a day. Some people graze throughout the day, while others just eat a couple of big meals. Nutrition experts at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas say the human body is actually pretty adaptable to different eating patterns. Even so, there do seem to than people who skip breakfast. be benefits to eating small, frequent

When you eat breakfast, you'll have more strength and endurance, you'll feel better about work or school, you'll maintain more constant bloodsugar levels and you'll be less likely to get hungry and overeat later in the day. People who eat breakfast are also more likely to get all the vitamins and minerals they need, as well as eating less fat and more fiber,

Whether you eat three meals,

Officers inducted include: Denia Cunningham, president; Jennie Lyckman, first vice president; Betty Berry, second vice president; Martha Spitzer, secretary and Betty Hook,



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**OPINION** 

**TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION** 



NO NEED TO THANK US, DEAR...

Democrats adopt Ardmore, Okla. for lesiglative stand AUSTIN—Years from now, a traveler will be glancing through an airline magazine (assuming there are still any airlines in business) and read an interesting piece of trivia: For a short time in the early 21st century,

Texas had two capitals. And in the sense that a capital is a place where members of a deliberative body of government gather, the historical trivia will be correct. It will be noted that from May 12, 2003 to May 16, 2003, 51 members of the Texas House of Representatives—more than a third of its membership-gathered at a motel in Ardmore, Okla. to prevent their colleagues from taking any legislative action for lack of a quorum.

For all practical purposes, for four days, Ardmore was the Democratic capital of Texas. Austin, on the other hand, was the Republican capital of Texas.

Invoking long standing rules, as soon as it was evident what the Democrats were up to, House Speaker Tom Craddick placed "a call upon the House." That means the doors were locked and the Sergeantat-Arms ordered to locate absent representatives and return them to the chamber so that a quorum could be reached. The sergeant-at-arms having no police powers, the job fell to the Department of Public Safety.

The DPS and the news media found the missing lawmakers easily enough Monday night, but they were north of the Red River. Texas officers have no jurisdiction outside the state unless they are in pursuit of a felon. An attempt to talk some of the Democrats into "surrendering" so they could be flown back to Texas in a state plane failed. Wars have been fought over less than this parliamentary maneuver, but these days, we do most of our fighting with words, not bullets or bombs. That is not to say there was not plenty of bombast from both factions.

Speaker Craddick said the Democrats were more like Moses Rose, the only defender believed to have left the Alamo before the final assault. (Historians debate that, but that's another story.)

Beyond the references to Texas history, humor softened the political tensions. The Republicans, stealing a page from the U.S. government's effort to capture Iraqi war criminals, posted on their Web site a deck of playing cards featuring the missing lawmakers. Milk cartons with photocopied images of Democrats appeared on the floor of the House.

Singer Willie Nelson sent the Ardmore 51 red bandannas, CDs and health drinks. Maybe he had been inspired by a press release from Rep. Phil King (R-Weatherford), who observed, "Not since the days of Jesse and Frank James, and Belle Starr have so many outlaws hid out in Oklahoma.'

#### So, what does it all really mean?

• As of this writing, it looks like a battle won by the Democratic members, who succeeded in killing the Congressional redistricting bill that had gotten their dander up. But as the saying goes, it's possible to win a battle and still lose a war.

• On the longer term, it means relations between the two parties likely will be even more rancorous. As surely as video footage portraying President George W. Bush as a war time leader will be aired when the election campaign begins next year, footage of the Chicken Ds, as the Republicans called the absent Democrats, will be seen the next time they run for reelection.

• It means some legislation that had nothing to do with redistricting probably died of friendly fire

It means that for a few days, the

Who is this Mystery Reader? I was born in Winnsboro, Texas. I have been married 27 years, have two children and three grandchildren.

I attended school at Winnsboro and TCC.

No one knows that I once worked in a plastic surgeon's office in Lubbock as office manager and also assisted in outpatient surgery, and with facelifts, breast augmentations, chemical peels and dermabrasions.

My favorite TV show is "CSI."

My favorite type of music is gospel. My favorite song is "Isn't He Beautiful?"

I like to grow flowers and work in my yard, raise butterflies, watch birds, fish, play chicken foot and Uno.

The last book I read was The

My worst quality is that I talk too much.

From The Inside Out

I hate it when people aren't honest and up front with me, and outright lie.

My greatest personal accomplishment, besides raising my children in a Christian home, is returning to school at age 54 and maintaining a 99 grade point average.

For me, the best thing about Haskell is friendly people, knowing who your neighbors are and having a bond with them.

Watch next week for the identity of this Free Press reader.

#### Update

Last week's Mystery Reader was Betty Ann Dodson of Haskell, who attended first grade at Roberts School in Haskell County before it consolidated with Mattson School, and graduated as the valedictorian from Mattson in 1946.

#### **From Out** of the Past From the files of

The Haskell Free Press

#### 10 Years Ago May 27, 1993

Christi Guess Little was one of approximately 520 graduates to go through graduation exercises at Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls. She received a master of education degree with a major in school counseling.

Deanne Wallace was recognized as football sweetheart. Robert Huff as basketball hero and Heather Hobgood as basketball sweetheart for Haskell High School.

The Haskell High School twirlers Jessica Bridwell, Brandi Briles and Tara Moeller earned the right to go to San Marcos to compete in the state UIL contests at Southwest Texas State University for the fourth consecutive year.

#### 20 Years Ago May 26, 1983

Niki Hodge participated in the United States Twirling Association competition in Irving. Niki won first place trophy in First Trophy Beginner Solo Twirling competition, Ratings Trophy for modeling, and first placetrophy in USTA Beginner Solo-H Twirling competition.

Martin Vergil Conner. lifelong ad resident of Haskell was honored with the a 75th birthday celebration. Theow event was held in the home of his of oldest son. Wendell Ray Conner.

30 Years Ago May 24, 1973

 May Bell Taylor, was presented and certificate by the Brazilian senates un making her the first North American to be made an honorary citizen of do Brazil.

Jim Yeary 1966 graduate ofico Haskell High School, recently moved the back to Haskell. Yeary who hashin worked with newspapers for the past nA. four years, will be associated with the Hartsfield Insurance Agency. Alexia Mayfield of Weinert.odt sophomore, will be among 38ini students at Hardin-Simmons University to go to Germany with the Concert Choir. 40 Years Ago

May 23, 1963

Haskell County's Commissioners W

By Mary Kaigler The Dodson's raised a son and daughter in Haskell, David and

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LuAnn. David "Little Dobber" Dodson, is a cement contractor. His wife, Lynn Dodson, is Haskell Justice of the Peace. Their daughter, Hilee Mulligan, attends Texas Tech University, and as Miss Brownfield, will compete in the Miss Texas pageant in July. She plans to be a lawyer.

LuAnn and husband, Bennie Williams, own and operate Starbucks Home Furniture and Funeral Director in Merkel. Their daughter Courtney, H attends McMurry University and is one of the McMurry Chanters now traveling on tour in England. Later this summer she will study Spanish in Costa Rico. She too, plans to be a

lawyer. Betty Dodson has been active all

Much of the rhetoric swirled around a Texas icon, the Alamo. Both parties invoked the 1836 battle.

"Texas patriots made their stand at the Alamo to halt the progress of an overpowering Mexican Army intent on destroying the rights of the residents of Texas and crushing Sam Houston's small army," Rep. Ryan Guillen (D-Duval County) said. "I would not compare our efforts to theirs. We are risking far less. But we are following their example, as all true Texans should."

Ardmore economy got some relief from the throes of the recession from the lawmakers, their associates and the news media.

Finally, in the realm of social science, as opposed to political science, the Ardmore episode speaks volumes about what makes Texas different. It's hard to imagine something like this playing out in Iowa, or Rhode Island, or Oregon.

That clearly occurred to the writers for Comedy Central's "The Daily Show," who spoofed the Democrats Alamo-like "final stand." Making his own stand in front of an image of Ardmore's Holiday Inn, in a segment dubbed "Austin Powerless" comedian Rob Corddry ended the spoof with, "Remember the Holiday Inn, Ardmore...airport location, not downtown."

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#### Blessing. I am now reading Really Bad Girls of the Bible.

My favorite place in Texas is South Padre Island. My favorite vacation spot in the world is Las Vegas, Nevada.

My best quality is that I love people and enjoy being around them.

### Letters to the Editor •

#### Dear editor,

As a senior at Haskell High School, I would like to extend my appreciation to the entire community. Thank you to the members of the area churches for inviting us to you buildings for our many senior suppers, where you fed us and offered us various forms of entertainment.

Thank you to all the senior parents that helped organize the Senior Roast for us, where our main form of entertainment for the evening was John Foster reading us our stories from our parents.

Thank you to the local businesses that have offered us the opportunity

### More gardens being planted by Americans

#### by Brandon Anderson Haskell Co. Extension Agent

A recent survey found more Americans are planting their own fruits and vegetables than in previous years. It determined that 40 percent of Americans are planning on spending more money on vegetable and fruit plants.

decline in home gardens over the past

FOR CLASSIFIEDS

In 1949 she married Leon "Dobber" Dodson, a longtime cement contractor in Haskell. The couple was married almost 46 years before his death in 1995.

to register for graduation gifts at your stores.

Thank you to the senior sponsors who have put up with us, preparing us for graduation and helping us to choose our colors. motto, song and every other minor detail for this night. Thank you to all the teachers that have supported us throughout the past thirteen years, all to prepare us for this one special day.

Finally, the greatest thanks to you, our parents, who have raised us to set us on our own, ready and willing, to begin the rest of our lives, wherever our future may lead us. Keli Jo McCarty

percent of all produce consumed

In an article about Haskell's Class

of 1953 reunion published in last

week's Haskell Free Press: Sam and

Nancy Matthews are of Homer.

Alaska and Jeanie Richards is the

Correction

former Jeanie Redwine.

during the war.

her life. Early in her life she wanted to be a beauty operator, a dream which didn't quite work out for her. However, at a very young age, watching her mother work at a treadle sewing machine, making the family's clothing, even her brother's shirts, she learned skills that she has perfected and used most of her adult life.

She worked nine years sewing for the Herman Marcus factory in Haskell.

For the last nine years she has worked in alterations and sales at the Personality Shoppe in Haskell for owners, Joy Chapman and Glenda Gayle Rutkowski. She also worked over ten years in alterations at the Personality Shoppe under previous owners, Opal Adkins and Veta Furrh.

Living alone and enjoying it by staying busy, Betty says that she would be bored if she had to just sit. Over the years she enjoyed sewing crafts and traveling to craft shows, setting up a booth displaying her handmade pillows. She is now looking forward to a summer vacation at Lake City, Colorado, with her sisters Frances Lewis of Abilene and Lula Faye Peiser of Lubbock.

Although starting out in life as a Baptist, in the 1960's she began to attend the Christian Church in Haskell, where she has been a member ever since, and has come to be greatly appreciative of and especially close to her minister. Dusty Garison, and his family. During some hard personal times of fighting cancer, she attributes her ability to cope and be brave about it. to finding a deep, abiding faith. She feels that her greatest personal accomplishment is learning to accept with good grace, the things that she cannot change, and to go on with her life.

The young Mattson school girl. who, at the age of 15, was named a 4-H Gold Star Girl for her sewing. has resourcefully and productively stitched the talent and threads of her life together into the very fabric of who she is.

Court, in special session, unanimously voted to call a county-wide election at 17 designated polling places to give the people their choice of hiring or not employing a trapper to control a reported bobcat and coyote nuisance and menace.

Herbert Hines, a bus driver at Rule, who drove 290.000 miles in 23 public school years without an accident, received one of six regional awards as Public School Bus Driver of The Year in Texas.

Two students from Haskell County were among 658 seniors that were candidates for bachelor's degrees at North Texas State University. They were Franky Don Mullins of Haskell for a science degree in physical education and Diane Reid of Rochester for a arts degree in speech and drama.

#### 50 Years Ago May 28, 1953

Haskell, Rule and Rochester students were members of the" graduating class at Texas Technological College, Lubbock They were Nancy Ann Furth and J. P. Brewer of Haskell, E. N. Tibbetts of Rule and Don Michaels of Rochester.

Nabeela Hassen of Haskell was among 106 candidates for degrees at the University of Texas College of Education.

A prized possession of Dick Therwhanger. Weinert farmer, is an autographed book he received from Babe Pinelli, famed National League baseball umpire.

Construction was started by Lone Star Gas Company on a 10-inch gas pipeline connecting the system with the new Paint Creek power plant of West Texas Utilities Company southeast of Haskell.

#### 100 Years Ago May 30, 1903

O. V. Payne, a druggist of Moody. was here prospecting. He was pleased with our country.

Fred Sanders, closed his school at Flat Top with well arranged and rendered exercises by the pupils. Sanders will now assist Tax Assessor Brown in making up the tax rolls.

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20 years. One explanation may be nostalgia for the "Victory Gardens" of the World War II. During that time an estimated 20 million Americans planted gardens helping grow 40

The current trend contradicts the

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VEATHER WOMAN HONORED-Ernestine Herren holds her certificate of appreciation given to her by the National Weather Service in recognition of her years of reporting local rainfall.

## Local weather woman honored

By Mary Kaigler

Everybody talks about the weather, but 88-year-old Ernestine Herren of Haskell not only watches and talks about the weather, she's been recording and gathering climatology data for the National Weather Service office in San Angelo for years.

On Wed., May 14, she was honored by the U. S. Department of Commerce National Weather Service 7th a certificate of recognition for outstanding accomplishments in taking and reporting weather observations.

In presenting the award, and congratulating her on her years of service, Lesli E. Hiesler of the National Weather Service in San Angelo, said that as a volunteer she has dedicated her time daily to ensure that the National Weather Service has the latest rainfall and severe weather information from the community of Claskell and Haskell County.

Herren is one of a network of 75<sup>-11</sup> observers in the West Central Texas area regularly reporting rainfall amounts to the San Angelo office. "We are grateful to have them

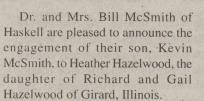
#### said

Following in the footsteps of her husband, Sam Herren, who recorded and reported the weather for 52 years before his death in 1993, Ernestine has continued to report local rainfall amounts for the last ten years.

During his career with the weather service, Sam Herren received numerous honors and special recognitions, including the Thomas Jefferson Award, named in honor of the third U. S. President, who was also a pioneer weather observer. It is the highest award given by the U. S. Department of Commerce National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Proud of her husband's accomplishments and years of weather reporting, Ernestine Herren can now add her own framed certificate of recognition to the wall in her home displaying those of Haskell's longtime weather man.

In her typical 'can do' attitude, as 'the crew from the San Angelo office was leaving after the presentation, Herren enquired, "Do you think it will be another 10 years before you do this again? You know, I'll be 98



to wed in Illinois

The bride-elect is a graduate of Hannibal LaGrange College, Hannibal, Missouri, where she and the prospective bridegroom met and were both members of the school's "Praise Song," a praise and worship group. She is employed at HLG as an admissions representative and is also "Bible Girl" of the popular Christian series, "Bibleman." The prospective bridegroom is a 2000 graduate of Haskell High

School and will enter his senior year at Hannibal LaGrange College, where he is pursuing a degree in Computer Information Systems.

The couple is planning a June 14 wedding at Emmanuel Baptist Church in Carlinville, Illinois.

## Immunizations help children grow healthy

HEATHER HAZELWOOD - KEVIN McSMITH

Hazelwood, McSmith

Childhood immunization is an easy means to help children grow healthy. Many of the contagious diseases encountered during childhood that present serious threats to children's health can be avoided by timely vaccinations.

Shots are available to provide protection against the following diseases: hepatitis B, Haemophilus influenezae type b (Hib disease), measles, mumps, rubella, (German measles), diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, chicken pox and poliomyelitis. It is very important that each child complete his or her vaccinations at the ages recommended by medical authorities. Childhood immunization should begin during the early newborn period and, for the most part, be completed by age two.

Unnecessary risks-sometimes even death-can occur when parents decide to wait until the child enrolls in school to complete their vaccination programs. This is because children are more susceptible to contagious diseases or their complications

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**TONY WHARRY - LESLI ISBELL** 

### Isbell, Wharry plan August wedding

Lesli Isbell and Tony Wharry are proud to announce their engagement to be married, Aug. 23 at East Side Baptist Church in Haskell.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Roy and Becky Wilson of Paint Creek and Tony and Crete Isbell of Midland. She is the granddaughter of Bob and Carylon Veretto of Levelland, LeeRoy and Frances Wilson of Rule and Jack and Letha Isbell of Haskell. She is a graduate of Paint Creek High School and plans to attend Redland Community College in Oklahoma in the fall.

The prospective bridegroom is the son of Bennie and Linda Wharry of

Yukon, Oklahoma and Mona Wharry of Hydro, Oklahoma. He is the grandson of Pat and the late George Meacham of Hydro, Oklahoma and John Wharry of Clinton, Oklahoma. He is a graduate of Paint Creek High School and is employed by Hamilton Polypipe in Yukon, Oklahoma.







keeping up with it for us," Hiesler years old by then."

# Ways to keep your cool this summer

With the coming of summer, seniors will be particularly susceptible to heat-related illnesses because of existing health problems, the number and types of medications they take and because they don't always drink enough liquid (the thirst sensation tends to diminish with age).

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates that 300 people die each year from heatrelated illnesses. How best for seniors to keep cool? Air conditioning is the best way, says Dr. Kevan Namazi, chairman of gerontology at Southwestern Allied Health Sciences School. The UT Southwestern associate professor recommends other ways to keep cool:

• Open windows on two sides of a room to create cross-ventilation and use a fan to circulate the air. Turn off the lights.

• Drink plenty of liquids-even if you aren't thirsty-but avoid sugary drinks and those with caffeine and alcohol. Eat lots of fruit and salads.

• Take cold showers or baths, or get cool in libraries, senior centers or shopping malls.

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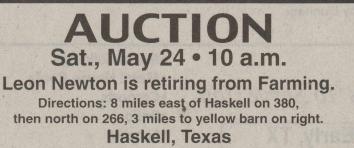
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CHICKEN RELAY-Holding the baton 'chickens,' Haskell Elementary fifth graders get set and ready to go in the relay, during the Field Day events, May 8. From the left, are Jordan Burson, Lonnie Alvarez, a tug of war during the Field Day events held at the school Thurs., May 8. Brooke Bullinger and Breanna Villa.

#### TUG OF WAR-Getting down to serious business, fourth graders at Haskell Elementary competed in

# May is "Older Americans Month" and "Older Texans Month" in Texas

When we think of the word "age," the most common thought is the number of years lived. However, as Americans continue to live longer, we also must think about how well they are living how successfully they are aging

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Month" and "Older Texans Month" in the State of Texas, Texas Cooperative Extension would like to provide some tips on successful aging so that the quality of your life will increase with its quantity.

The first step to successful aging-Since May is "Older Americans is to remain as physically healthy as

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possible for as long as possible. Mary Herridge, a Gerontologist and Hill County Extension Agent, points out that poor health is not a consequence of aging and being healthy is not just the absence of disease. "A chronic illness may be considered unhealthy but, if managed properly, the person suffering from that illness may be able to lead a normal, healthy life.'

A healthy lifestyle may have a positive impact on a person at any age. Proper diet, exercise and preventive healthcare are three primary means to maintaining your it." says Andy Crocker, Gerontology

physical health. According to Herridge, people interested in diet, exercise and prevention may contact the Extension Agent in their county for information on programs and services that are available.

Successful aging is also tied very heavily to a person's mental health. Just as with physical health, decline in mental health is not a consequence of growing older. "Many clinicians and family members attribute an altered mental state to someone's age rather than recognizing symptoms of a disease and seeking treatment for



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Health Specialist with Texas Cooperative Extension. Something as simple as the wrong prescription in a pair of glasses may cause disorientation and then may be confused with dementia.

Crocker recommends keeping the mind active through stimulating activity such as reading or word games or even talking with friends and neighbors about a current news

As an added tip, Dr. Judy Warren, Professor and Gerontology Specialist with Texas Cooperative Extension, suggests plenty of sleep in addition to any physical and mental activities. "Plenty of sleep nurtures the body and the mind," says Warren.

Emotional and spiritual wellbeing are key to any discussion regarding healthy aging. Social interaction is an important part of emotional health. Dr. Warren reminds us "to age well, we need to give and receive love." Whether it's through volunteerism or a group of friends who meet on a regular basis, staying involved in society gives a sense of purpose: a reason to get out of bed in

we realize that mental, physical, and emotional health are all intertwined," says Herridge. "It's like a stool with three legs, if you take one leg away. the stool won't stand-up.'

An excellent way to stay mentally healthy as well as strengthen emotional health is to participate in educational opportunities your community. "Most colleges and universities, and some school districts, offer a variety of classes that may be of interest to people of any age. The best part is that most classes are very affordable and offer flexible schedules," says Crocker.

Americans are still searching for the fabled "Fountain of Youth" and until someone finds it, we must try to do what we can to age well. Physical, mental, and emotional health are all interrelated and must be considered when discussing successful aging. Texas Cooperative Extension has many resources available to help you in your pursuit of a long, healthy life. For more information regarding successful aging, visit the National Institute on

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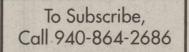
#### remains a threat

In a recent report by Eduardo J. Sanchez, Commissioner of Texas Department of Health, he states that the persistence of tuberculosis in Texas demands continued attention.

'Tuberculosis once was the leading cause of death in this country. It no longer holds that ranking, and for that we can thank modern science, specialized drugs and preventive education. But TB has made a comeback in Texas and the United States, especially over the last two decades," he said.

Last year, 1,550 cases were reported in Texas. Both human and financial resources, consistently available and aggressively applied, are needed to keep TB in check, he said. While comparisons show that a person living in one of the border counties in 2001 was almost twice as likely to have TB as someone living in a non-border county, 73 percent of all TB cases in Texas were in urban areas of more than 500,000 people.

TB is treatable and curable. But



it takes persistence. One person with untreated active TB will infect on average as many as 15 people every year. One of the great factors concerning tuberculosis is the emergence of TB strains resistant to current antibiotics. TB bacteria die slowly. It takes from six to nine months for medicine to kill all the bacteria, even though patients are not contagious.

Dr. Sanchez said that one of the best strategies for controlling and potentially eliminating TB is the "directly applied therapy," or DOT, where a patient sees a health care worker daily or several times a week to receive medication. With DOT, TB patients are observed taking their doses and are carefully monitored for any drug side effects. Another promising strategy, especially for Texans, he said, is the United States-Mexico Binational Health Card Project. A pilot project is beginning in El Paso, along with several sites in Mexico, including Cuidad Juarez. The TB card will allow clinical and epidemiological information to be shared across the border while protecting patient confidentially, and facilitates health care no matter where treated is received.

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PLANTING TREES-Jimmie Bowen pauses while putting out new memorial Desert Willows to beautify Haskell Willow Cemetery.



IN MEMORIAL-Glenn and Maggie Merchant of Haskell view the new Desert Willow planted in memory of her parents.

### This Week's Devotional Message:



#### THE LEARNING PROCESS IS A LIFETIME CURRICULUM

your own. However, there is much lives and enriches them in the process.

Your education began the day you more to education than just the skills were able to notice all the shapes, of your everyday life, as you will learn colors and sounds of the world which at your house of worship. It also means you had just recently entered. It a study of the faith we live by and the continued through school, and word of God, who put us here and culminated during a ceremony when endowed us with the intelligence to someone handed you a sheepskin wonder about these things. There is scrollwhichproclaimed that you were no graduation from this course, ready to step out into the world on because it continues throughout our

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Kevin Hall, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 301 N AVA E Church in the Park Rev. Tim and Suzann Townsend Sun. Morn. 10:30 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m. Gazebo or Pavillion ----PAINT CREEK-----Paint Creek Baptist Church Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m. Paint Creek ----WEINERT---• First Baptist Church Chris Powell, pastor Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 7 p.m. Weinert Weinert Foursquare Church Rev. Robert Harrison Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m. Weinert ----ROCHESTER----Church of Christ Steve Wilis, minister Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m. West on Main Street, Rochester First Baptist Church Jackie Brem, pastor Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m. 500 Main, Rochester Union Chapel Baptist Church Rev. Clarence Walker Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. Rochester -O'BRIEN-O'Brien Baptist Church Kyle Gulledge, pastor Sun. 9:45 a.., 11 a., 5 p., 6 p, Wed. 6 p.m. O'Brien **HANSON PAINT & BODY SHOP** 207 S. 1st • 864-3631 **Professional Auto Body Repair** Glass Installation • 24 Hour Wrecker Service **Rule Co-op Gin** & Elevator 301 Adams • Rule • 997-2421 **Rice Springs** Care Home, Inc. 1302 N. 1st • 864-2652

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## Willow trees to bloom again

By Mary Kaigler Over the years since it was first established. Willow Cemetery in Haskell has seen a decline in the number of its namesake trees, which once bloomed and bent with the breezes blowing across the plots and monuments of countless loved ones.

Recently, because of a long-held dream of one local woman to see it someday returned to a pleasant place of fragrant spring blossoms and the lacy shade of graceful green trees, a project is underway to make the. cemetery more beautiful.

Not really knowing how to begin such an undertaking, Frances Bowen presented her idea to members of the Haskell Garden Club. After discussion and research into what species would be most adaptable to the local clime, it was decided that the Desert Willow would be the most ideal plant to flourish in a low moisture environment and also retain the authentic ambience of the name Willow Cemetery. Earlier this year the club opted to spearhead and promote the project in the community.

With Frances Bowen as coordinator, funding arrangements were set in motion for the purchase of each tree being made possible through individual memorial donations.

Last week, the first nine memorial trees were planted by Frances and Jimmy Bowen. Those giving the initial trees for the project were Glenn and Maggie Merchant. in memory of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Boggs. Paul Merchant and John Merchant: Gayle Spain Maxson, in memory of Harold and Geraldine Spain, and Fouts family; Virginia Daniels in memory of Jack Daniels; Mae Lou Yeldell, in memory of Major Lewis, Jr. and Robert Yeldell; and the Bowens, in memory of Hoie Harrell and Don Harrell.

The trees came in five gallon containers and were from 4 to 7 feet tall. Some of them were blooming with fragrant pale pink flowers. Several nurseries are specially working with Frances Bowen in trying to locate a supply of the trees, which mostly come from California.

Anyone wishing information about giving a memorial Desert Willow for Willow Cemetery may contact her at (940) 864-2067.

### Canned, frozen vegs healthy, too

Getting more healthy vegetables into your diet may be just a can opener away.

"Canned and frozen vegetables are nutritious," said Dr. Jenna Anding, Texas Cooperative Extension nutrition specialist. "They are naturally low in fat, unless packaged in butter, cream sauces or with fat-containing foods." And although some canned vegetables also contain salt, "low salt products are available," she added.

In fact, using canned or frozen vegetables could be the easiest way of getting more produce in the diet. "Canned or frozen vegetables can often be substituted for fresh produce if fresh vegetables are not in season

or are poor in quality," Anding said.

brands can save money without negatively impacting health. "While it may be easy to spot the brand names," she said, "don't forget about the store and generic brands of vegetables. They often taste just as, good as the national brands and usually cost less."

Anding also offered these suggestions:

•Learn the terms. "A vegetable that is packed whole often will cost more than the same vegetable that is packed cut, dived or chopped," she said. "This is because the vegetables that are packed whole are specially. chosen for their appearance. To save, money, choose cut or chopped vegetables instead of whole, especially when the vegetable is planned for use in casseroles, soups or stews. •For best quality, canned foods should be stored at no more than 75 F and should be used within one year of purchase (unless the date on the can specifies otherwise). •Be careful when buying canned foods. "Do not buy or use cans that are bulging or leaking," Anding warned, because the food inside may be contaminated. She also warned against buying cans that are dented "because small pinholes may accompany the dents." •After the can is opened, refrigerate any leftovers in glass or plastic containers and use them within three days. •Store frozen vegetables at 0 F or lower. These foods will usually keep for eight to 12 months. •Frozen vegetables that have thawed and been refrozen often are found in misshapen packages with ice crystals on the outside. "They are usually safe to eat, but the quality likely will be reduced," Anding said.

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•Once the package is opened and thawed, store leftovers in the refrigerator and use within three days. "If you wish to use only part of a package, be sure to return the unused vegetables back to the freezer before they thaw,"Anding said.



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# Ivey honored by Postal Service

Haskell mail carrier, Kenny Ivey has been recognized for his work with a Special Achievement Award by the U.S. Postal Service.

Ivey is a PTF city carrier with 9 years of service. He was trained as a window/distribution clerk, and worked 6 days a week as a clerk while the full time clerk was out on maternity leave for three months.

Ivey has used no sick leave for the last five years, using annual leave in lieu of sick leave one day, and has come to work many days when he didn't feel well, according to Haskell Postmaster Cathye Williams.

In her recommendation nominating Ivey for the award, Williams said he is an exemplary employee. "He is always unfailingly pleasant and cheerful to customers and employees alike. He has gone above and beyond his city carrier status to assist whenever needed. He has a strong sense of responsibility and is always available when called upon.'

Ivey and his wife, Becky live in Stamford. Their son Ethan and daughter Lindsay both attend Texas Tech University.

He is the son of Maxine Ivey of Stamford.

## May sales tax receipts are down

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn sent \$380,9 million in monthly sales tax payments to Texas. cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts, down 0.6 percent compared to May 2002. So far this year, local sales tax revenues are down 1.5 percent compared to the same time period in 2002.

May's sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected in March by monthly sales tax filers and in January, February and March by quarterly sales tax filers, and reported to the Comptroller in April. The state's share of sales tax reported in April was \$1.1 billion, down 0.5 percent compared to a year ago.

"For the first time since the sales tax was enacted in 1961, state revenue from the sales tax is down for the tenth consecutive month. This is unprecedented," Strayhorn said. "We are also going to have another historic unfortunate first in Texastwo consecutive years of losses in sales tax revenue.'

Comptroller Strayhorn sent May sales tax rebates of \$261.9 million to Texas cities, up 0.8 percent compared to May 2002. Texas counties received sales tax rebates of \$21.1 million, up 0.6 percent compared to one year ago. Seventh-six special purpose taxing districts saw their sales tax revenue increase. They received \$10.2 million dollars this month, up 1.3 percent compared to May 2002. Haskell County had a 3.20 percent decrease for May, 2003 of decrease over 2002 payments to date \$32.661.37 in comparison to of \$983.25.

\$33,742.87 for May 2002. 2003 payments to date of \$126,305.84 reflect a 8.48 percent decrease over 2002 payments to date of \$138,018.93.

The City of Haskell had a 2.58 percent decrease for May, 2003 of \$29,282.39 in comparison to \$30,058.51 for May, 2002. 2002 payments to date of \$116,003.56 reflect a 9.05 percent decrease over 2002 payments to date of \$127,547.18.

, The City of O'Brien had a 13.92 percent increase for May, 2003 of \$177.90 in comparison to \$156.16 for May, 2002. 2003 payments to date of \$805.43 reflect a 89.16 percent increase over 2002 payments to date of \$425.79

The City of Rochester had a 26.39 percent decrease for May, 2003 of \$778.37 in comparison to \$1,071.01 for May, 2002. 2003 payments to date of \$2,662.26 reflect a 11.11 percent decrease over 2002 payments to date of \$2,995.04.

The City of Rule had a 0.75 percent decrease for May, 2003 of \$2,064.18 in comparison to \$2,079.95 for May, 2002. 2003 payments to date of \$6,048.66 reflect a 0.31 percent decrease over 2002 payments to date of \$6,067.67.



MAILMAN HONORED-Haskell mail carrier, Kenny Ivey, recently received a certificate from the U.S. Postal Service, commending him for his outstanding work for the local office.



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### **Playday results**

The first Stamford Jr. Sheriff's Posse playday was held Sat., May 10 at the Jr, Sheriff's Posse Arena. Events included barrels, poles and flag.

Mathis; 9-12 years, Ashton Rutkowski; 13-15 years, Harvey Terrell and 16-19 years, Melissa Neal.

Winners were: 6 and under, Cequin McIlwain; 6-8 years, Kaley

The next playday will be held Sat., May 24 at 7 p.m. Coggins is required.



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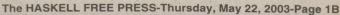
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### County 4-H'ers compete in fashion show

Ten Haskell County 4-H'ers were among the 105 contestants participating in this year's Rolling Plains 3 District 4-H Fashion Show held May 3 at the Jayton School Auditorium in Jayton. The event was sponsored by AEP/West Texas Utilities and Texas Cooperative Extension. The theme of this year's district show was "A Walk Through Fashion Park." Kent County 4-H leaders hosted the event.

Cotton Awards, donated by the Rolling Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. were given to the first place best cotton garments in the construction and buying categories in each division. Receiving Cotton Awards from Haskell County were Candace Brister, Brooke Bullinger, Jenny Dudensing. Molly Dudensing and Leah Tibbets.

Twenty-five counties are included in the Rolling Plains Extension District. The top individual in the Senior Division of each category will represent the District at the State Fashion Show to be held during State 4-H Roundup June 9-13 in College Station.

Representing Haskell County and District 3 in the State 4-H Fashion Show will be Robbyn Tribbey, a senior 4-H'er from Haskell.

Participants in the District Fashion Show have completed a series of lessons in clothing and textiles and have sewn or bought a garment. The project teaches basic clothing construction, grooming techniques, leadership skills and consumer education. A Fabric and Fashion Design category teaches youth design elements.

4-H'ers from Haskell County competing in the District 4-H Fashion Show and their placings were: first place, Robbyn Tribbey of Haskell; second place, Candace Brister of Haskell, Brooke Bullinger of Haskell, Abby Dudensing of Sagerton, Molly Dudensing of \* Sagerton, Whitney Hise of Haskell and Leah Tibbets of Rochester: fourth place. Paige Glover of Rochester and Allison Petty of Rule; and fifth place. Jenny Dudensing of Sagerton.

Four Haskell County Volunteer \*4-H Clothing Project Leaders were selected to serve as a judges for the district competition. These leaders are Debbie Brister. Valiene Bullinger and Lynette Tribbey of Haskell and Renee Dudensing of Sagerton.

4-H is the youth development and leadership program of Texas Cooperative Extension, a part of the Texas A&M University System. Local County Extension Agents provide leadership for the 4-H program in each county.

Serving Haskell County are Brandon Anderson, County Extension Agent–Ag and Lou Gilly. County Extension Agent–FCS. They can be contacted by calling (940) 864-2658 or 864-2546. The Haskell County Extension Office is located at 101 South Avenue D in Haskell.



FASHION WINNERS-Three first place winners at the Haskell County 4-H Fashion Show held in Rochester, advanced to District 4-H Fashion Show in Jayton. Left, Robbyn Tribbey, 1st in Senior Buying Formal at District, advances to State Show June 10-11; Abby Dudensing, 2nd in Senior Buying Dressy at District; Whitney Hise, 2nd in Senior Construction Formal, at District Show.

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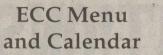
COUNTY SHOW WINNERS-These 4-H'ers participated in the Haskell County Fashion Show in Rochester. First place winners advanced to the District Show in Jayton, May 3. Left, Brooke Bullinger, 1st in Junior Buying Casual, won 2nd place and the Cotton Award at District. In Junior Buying Dressy, Brooke Hall won 2nd place in County; Paige Glover, won 1st place in County and 4th at District, and Allison Petty won 1st place in County and 4th at District.



AT 4-H FASHION SHOW-These 4-H'ers participated in the Haskell County 4-H Fashion Show held in Rochester. The 1st place winners advanced on to the District 4-H Show in Jayton. From the left, in Junior Construction Casual, Laura Bowers won 3rd in County; Molly Dudensing won 1st in County 10 and 2nd place and the Cotton Award at District; Stephanie Threet won 2nd in County. In Junior Construction Pop-Over Skirt, Toni Brown won 2nd in County, and Leah Tibbets won 1st in County and 2nd place and the Cotton Award at District. In Junior Construction Speciality, Jenny Dudensing won 1st in County and 5th place and the Cotton Award in District.

Good Luck . . . Class of '03

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#### Student in the News

Robert Huff, a 1994 graduate of Haskell High School, received his Ph.D. in mathematics from Rice University May 10.

After graduation, Huff will spend the summer working with the math team at the Albert Einstein Research institute in Potsdam, Germany. In the fall, he will begin a postdoctoral teaching and research position at the University of Indiana.



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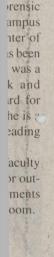
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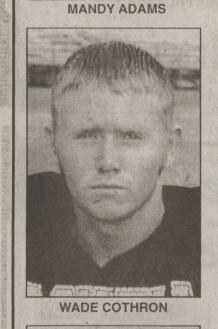
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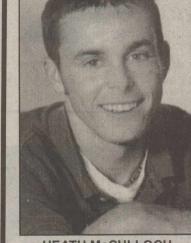
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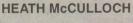


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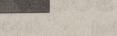
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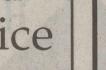


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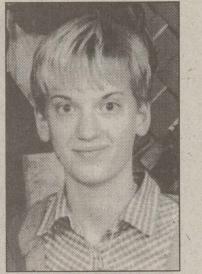
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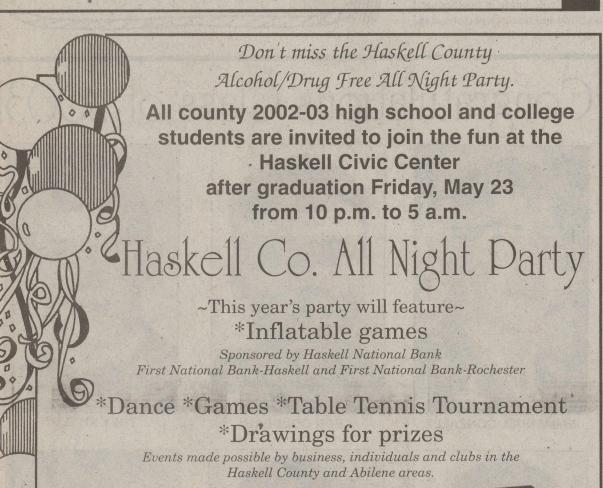


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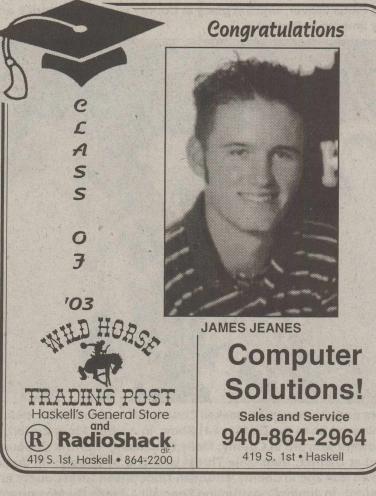
Q. Sometimes we hear the weatherman refer to the "jet stream." What exactly is it?

A. The jet stream is one of the most influential forces of weather known, says Dr. John Nielsen-Gammon of Texas A&M's Department of Atmospheric Sciences.

"The jet stream is a river of air that flows high above the earth, usually between 20.000 to 40,000 feet, and its true extent was not discovered until World War II when pilots made frequent trips across the vast Pacific Ocean.

The core of the jet stream is a fastmoving wind current that blows west to east around the Earth and it can range from speeds of 90 to more than 250 miles per hour," says Nielsen-

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Gammon. Winds in the jet stream are stronger during the winter months because that's when the temperature contrasts between the Equator and the North Pole are greater-the greater the surface temperature, the bigger the contrast.

Q: How does the jet stream affect the weather where I live?

A: The strength of the jet stream enables it to push weather systems from one area to another, thereby greatly affecting the weather where you live, making some places stormy and giving others extended periods of fair weather. John Nielsen-Gammon adds.

Because the jet stream winds are greatly affected by mountains and oceans, their movement is not always a uniform west to east direction.

"They often contain arcs or dips, creating what meteorologists call troughs and ridges. Since the jet stream usually separates warmer air to its south, extended spells of warm' or cold weather can be caused by jet stream patterns, too.

There is still a lot of research being done on the jet stream, but we do know that it may stretch for thousands of miles around the world, but it is only a few hundred miles wide and usually no more than three miles thick."

### Haskell Nat'l Bank receives **5-Star rating**

Haskell National Bank of Haskell has earned a 5-Star superior rating for financial strength from BauerFinancial, Inc., Coral Gables, Florida, the nation's leading independent bank research firm.

This is the 44th consecutive time Haskell National Bank has achieved the 5-Star super rating, the highest rating awarded. Furthermore, earning the rating for a decade or longer puts the bank in an elite group of banks the firm terms as "exceptional performance banks."

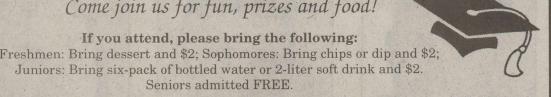
"In times of economic uncertainty," notes Karen L. Dorway, president of the research firm, "it is heartening to know that there are financial institutions, like Haskell National Bank, that have stood the test of time." Adding, "You can't control the market, but you certainly can control where you deposit your hard earned money. And banking with a tried and true institution makes good financial sense.

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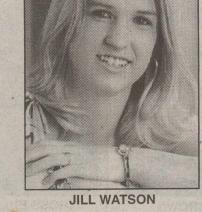


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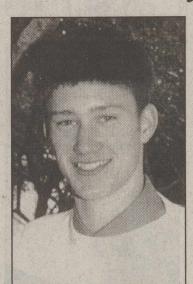


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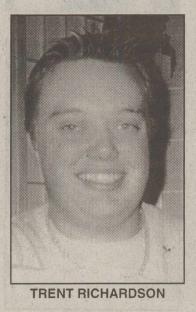
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BOOM BOX WINNER-Haskell Elementary 5th grader Tyler Reese poses with the boom box he won in a drawing as an accelerated reader making 80% on the AR tests each six weeks of the school term.



BOOM BOX WINNER-Haskell Elementary 6th grade student Hanna Wallace won a new boom box in a drawing for students making 80% on the Accelerated Reading tests each six weeks of the school year.

### **Commissioners'** Court report

The Haskell County Commissioners' Court met in a regular meeting, May 12.

The County Treasurer's monthly report was accepted. County Treasurer, Willie Faye Tidrow, presented the County's investment report.

Judge David Davis read a letter of appreciation from the Haskell Soil and Water Conservation District, for their support of Soil and Water Stewardship Week.

A report on the Detention Center was given by DCOH director, James Elam.

Bank reconciliations of the District Clerk and County Clerk were reviewed by the Court.

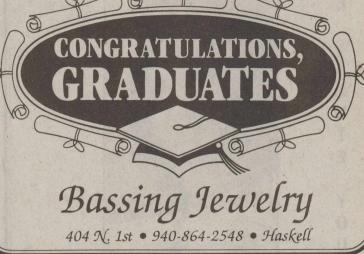
Action was tabled on a resolution in support of county beautification outside the city limits.

A motion was passed to continue negotiating with surrounding counties in the matter of regional dispatching.

A resolution was passed urging state legislators to seek a state-wide solution to their budget crisis. A copy of the resolution is to be sent to the Texas Association of Counties, Representative Robert Duncan and Representative Rick Hardcastle.

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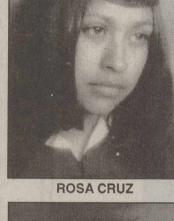


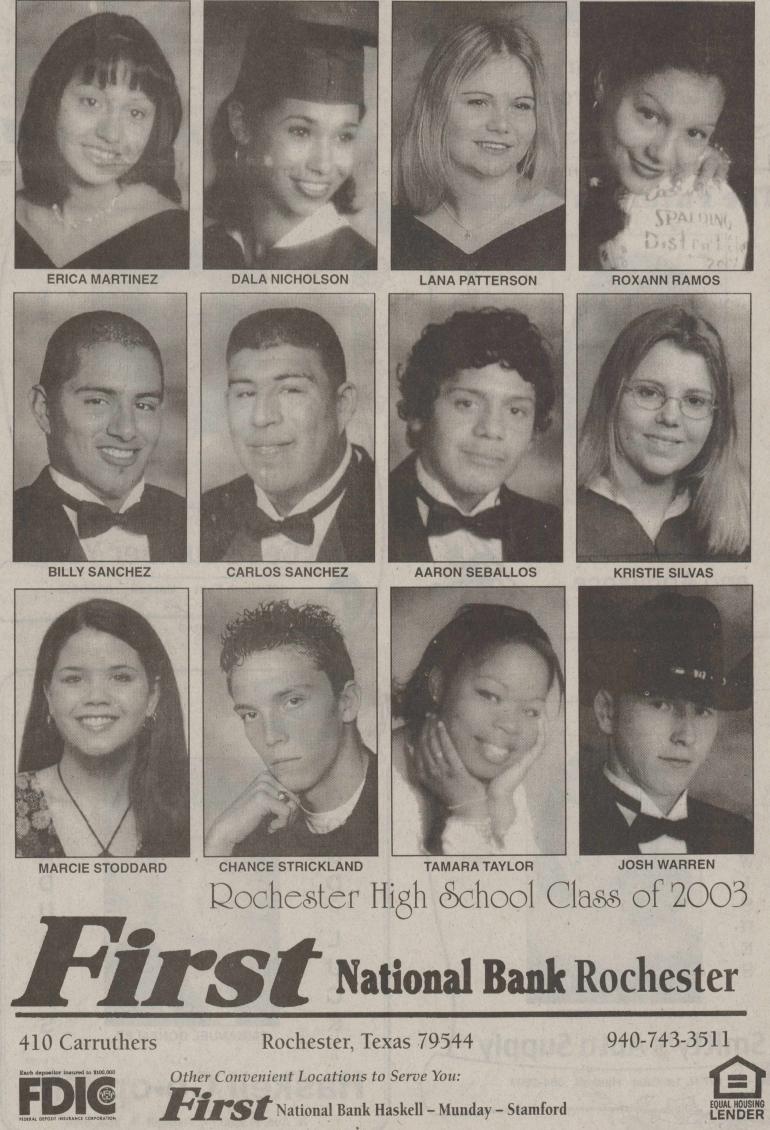


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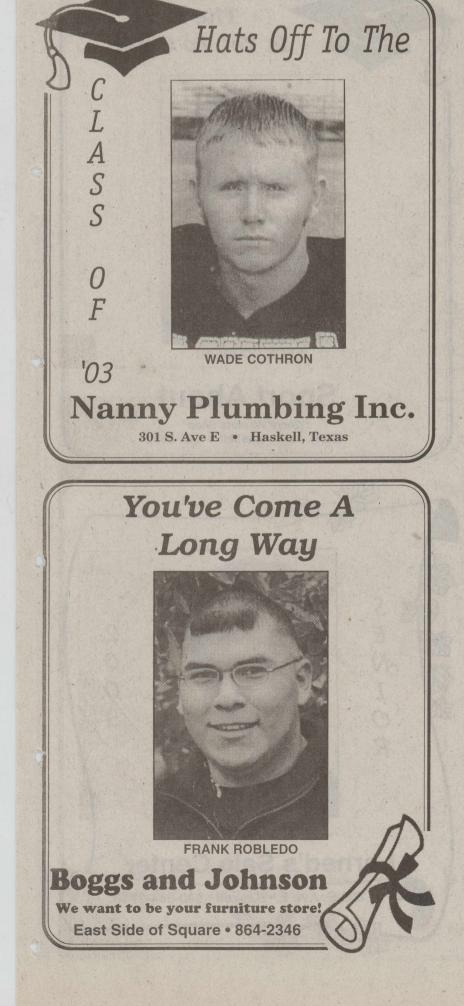






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BIKE WINNERS-Haskell Elementary fourth grade students, I-r, Ashley Bullard and Megan Kimbrough, hold the new bicycles they won in a drawing as award winners in the Accelerated Readers program. Pictured with them are, I-r, teacher Susan LeFevre, Principal Jimmy Lisle and teacher Judith Chapman.

### **DPS reminds Memorial Day weekend** drivers to do the Texas three-step

remember three steps to roadway safety during the Memorial Day weekend-don't speed; don't drink and drive, and always wear a seat belt. Following these simple steps will increase the safety of Texans, traveling during this busy holiday weekend.

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"We want to encourage all drivers to take responsibility for their own safety and that of their passengers," said Col. Thomas A. Davis Jr., director of the DPS. "Remember to designate a sober driver, and make sure that everyone in the vehicle is wearing a seat belt or buckled into the appropriate child safety seat."

DPS troopers and many other police agencies are increasing patrols over the weekend to stop drunk drivers; speeders and seat belt violators. Through a statewide campaign, Click It or Ticket, DPS and the Texas Department of Transportation are urging motorists to buckle up or face a fine. Other police agencies throughout Texas are also focusing their efforts on enforcing the state's occupant protection laws for adults and children.

DPS is reminding drivers to C.A.R.E., Combined Accident Reduction Effort, program. State police across the nation participate in C.A.R.E., maximizing enforcement on major interstate highways to reduce fatalities commonly

associated with holiday weekends. Statistically, the deadliest time on the road during Memorial Day weekend is between 9 p.m. and 6 a.m.-a time frame when alcohol and fatigue often are cited as factors.



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### Sagerton homecoming May 24-25

Sagerton's population will increase on May 24-25 as former students and residents return for homecoming, according to Clancy Lehrmann, homecoming chairman.

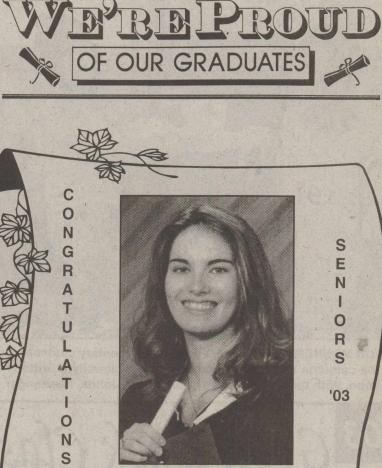
A special invitation to Sagerton's fourteenth homecoming is being extended to all former students, teachers and patrons.

Registration will begin at 1 p.m. Sat., May 24. Bus tours will be given beginning at 1:30 p.m. A sandwich supper will be served at 6 p.m. Visiting and viewing of exhibits will be observed instead of an evening program.

Sunday morning everyone is invited to attend the church of their choice. Lunch will be served at noon and a short program will follow highlighted by the crowning of the 2003 homecoming queen. Special recognition will be given to all veterans.

No tickets will be sold for the dinner, however donations will be accepted. Contact Mrs. Charles Clark at 940-997-2680 for reservations.

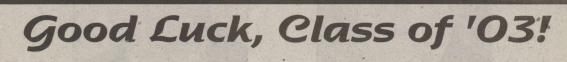
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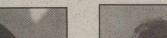
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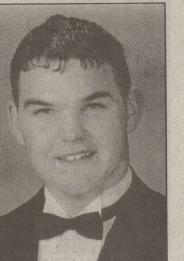
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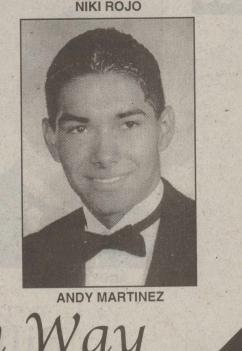


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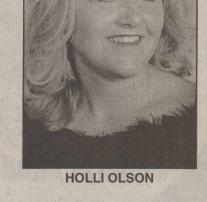
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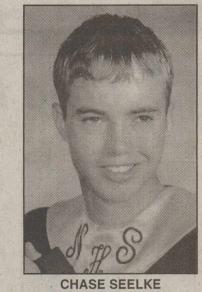
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GOOD MANNERS REWARDED-Haskell Elementary students recognized for having good manners in the cafeteria during April, are: I-r, Isaiah Llewellyn, Brittany Garison, Cody Pierce, and Steven Fillmon. With them is program coordinator, Johna Messenger.

'03 Good Luck Class of 2003



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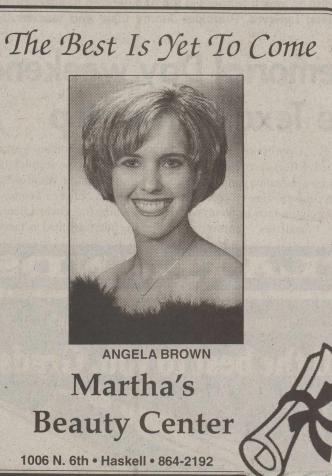
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Our Sincere Congratulations to all of the Seniors - Wishing You a Great Future!



GOOD MANNERED-Haskell Elementary students recognized for having good manners in the cafeteria during April are: back, I-r, Charitie Winterstein, Kacey Strickland, Zierra Alexander; middle, Veronica Benton, Brandon Ausborn, Ricky Molina and front, Bradley Winterstein, Kayley Calhoun, Cameron Swinny and Brittany Cortez.



Best Wishes Class of '03

#### Students in the News

Daisy R. Cothron, daughter of Mi, and Mrs. Steve Cothron of Haskell was among the 540 graduating seniors who received diplomas in commencement exercises at Harding University in Searcy, Arkansas May 10. Majoring in advertising, Cothron received the Bachelor of Arts degree.

Ginger Adkins of Rochester was among students honored during South Plains College's recent Student Awards Assembly.

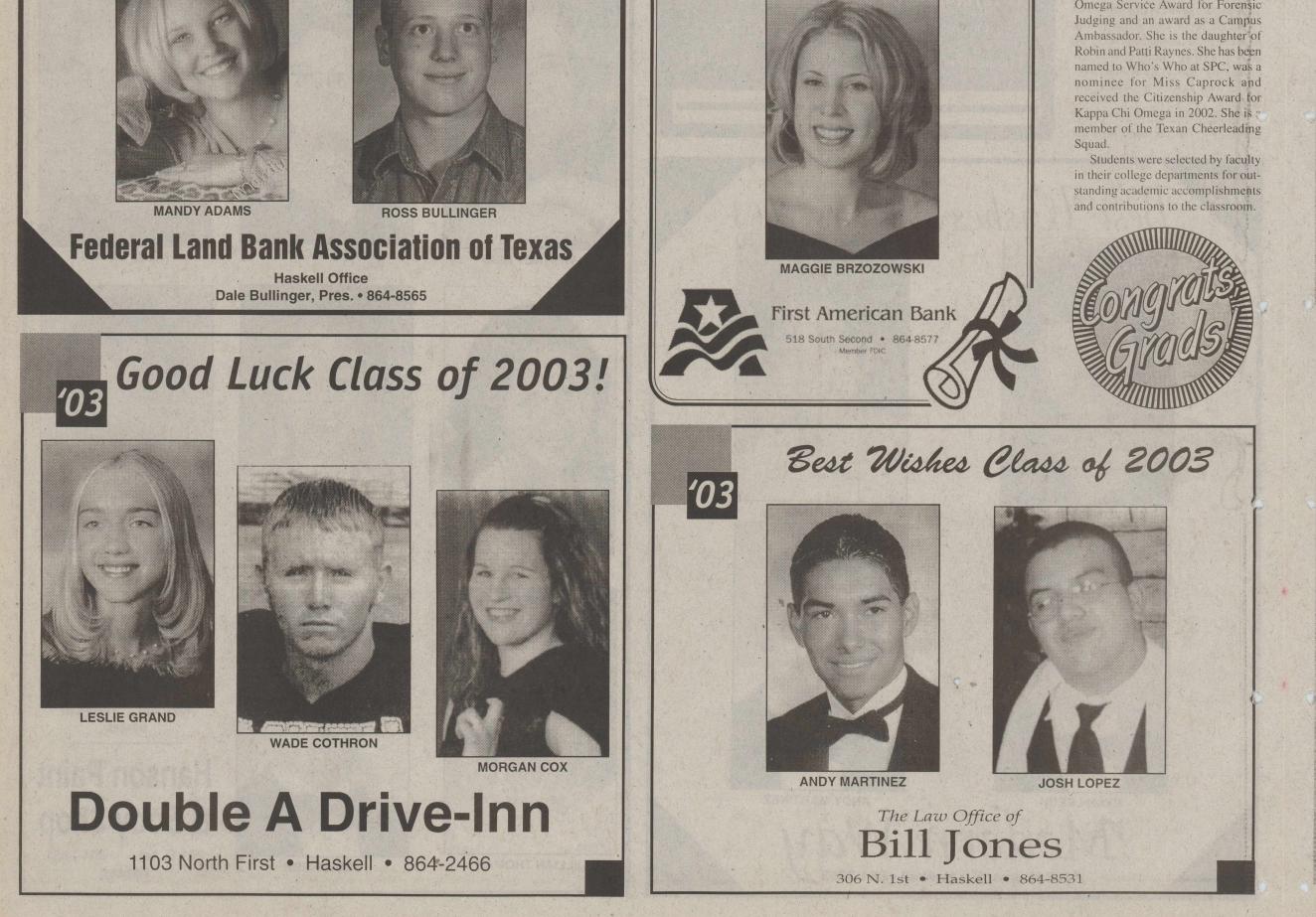
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Adkins received the Kappa Chi Omega Service Award for Forensic Judging. She is the daughter of Mike Adkins and Nancy Stewart. She was named to Who's Who at SPC for 2003 and is a member of the Kappa Chi'Omega Forensic Club.

Students were selected by faculty in their college departments for outstanding academic accomplishments and contributions to the classroom.

Tiffany McDuff of Role was among students honored during South Plains College's recent Student Awards Assembly.

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Air Force Airman 1st Class Dylan S. Colley has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force. He is the son of Crystal Collen of Arlington and Donovan Colley of

Haskell. Colley is a 2000 graduate of

**DYLAN COLLEY** 

Lamar High School, Arlington.

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### Tape measure may become standard medical gear

Don't be surprised if a tape measure becomes as much a part of a doctor's standard gear as a stethoscope.

Your waistline can tell a doctor a lot about your health. One key symptom of a group of conditions called metabolic syndrome is excess fat around the abdomen. Metabolic syndrome includes high blood sugar, high blood pressure and high blood cholesterol. The syndrome is considered a major risk factor for

Researchers at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas recently conducted a study to see if medical students and doctors would be more likely to identify and treat metabolic syndrome if they had a key diagnostic tool handy: a tape measure.

heart disease.

Students studying human nutrition, residents and attending physicians at UT Southwestern were issued pocket tape measures and information cards about metabolic

syndrome. The study found that students and doctors who had the tape measures were more likely to use waist measurements to help them identify patients at risk for metabolic syndrome-which helped these patients get tested and treated.

If your waist measurement is bigger than your hip measurement, you may be at greater risk for the diseases included in metabolic syndrome. Your own tape measure can tell you whether or not you

should talk to your doctor about this condition.

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UT Southwestern doctors say people with metabolic syndrome may need lifestyle changes such as exercise, weight loss and improved diet to lower their risk for heart

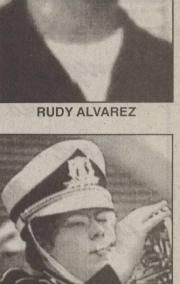














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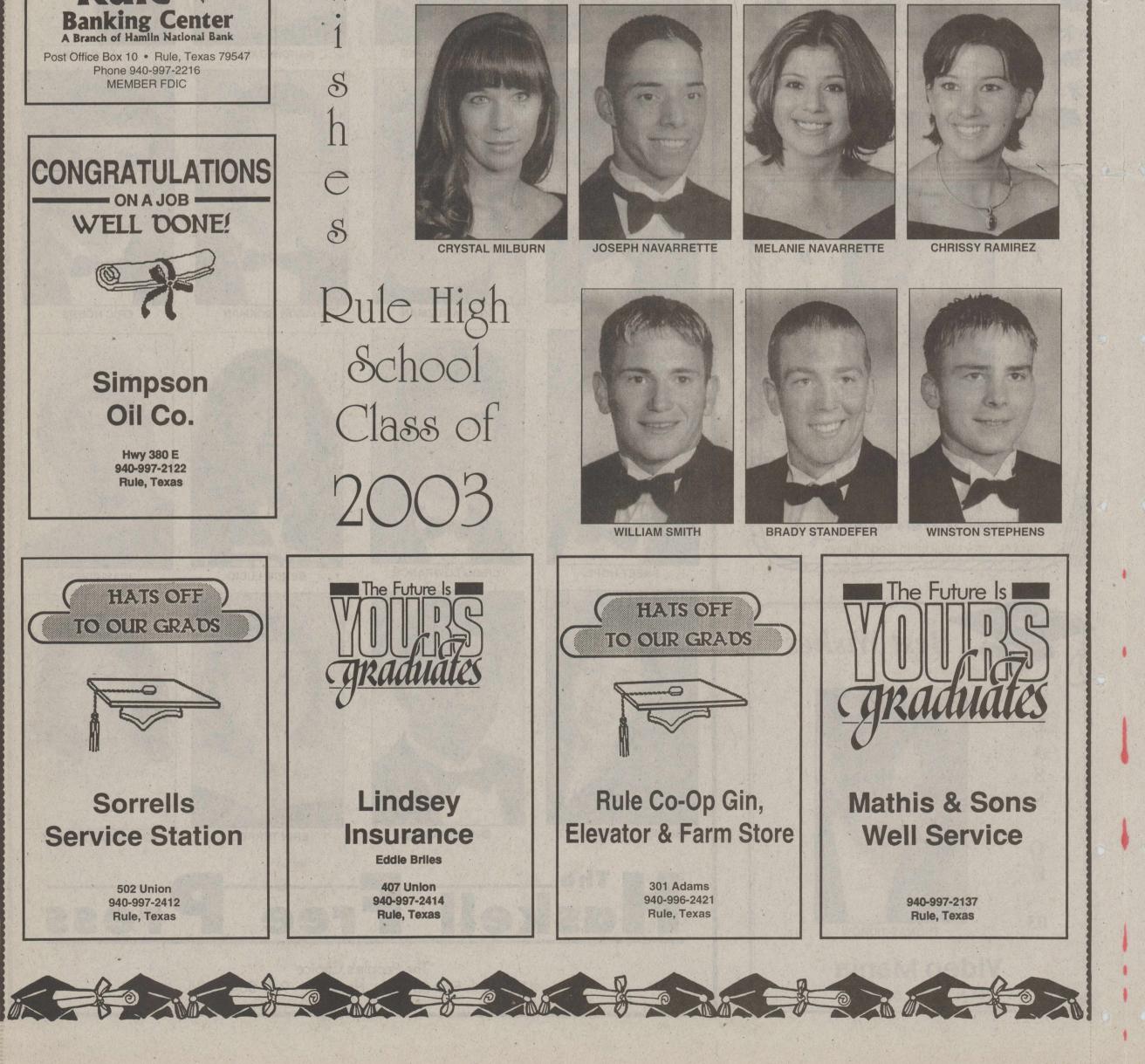
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