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by Brandon Anderson  
Haskell Co. Extension Agent  
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## Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 560 head of cattle at its sale on Mon., July 21, according to Gary Tate, reporter. 71 sellers and 43 buyers were present.

\$25 to \$75 higher on pairs, \$10

to \$25 higher on springers, \$1 to \$2 higher on stockers. Feeders steady to \$2 higher, packers \$1 to \$2 higher.

Cows: fat, .42-.49; cutters, .45-.51; canners, .28-.38.

Bulls: bologna, .54-.61; feeders, .64-.78; utility, .50-.56.

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## Beware of scams

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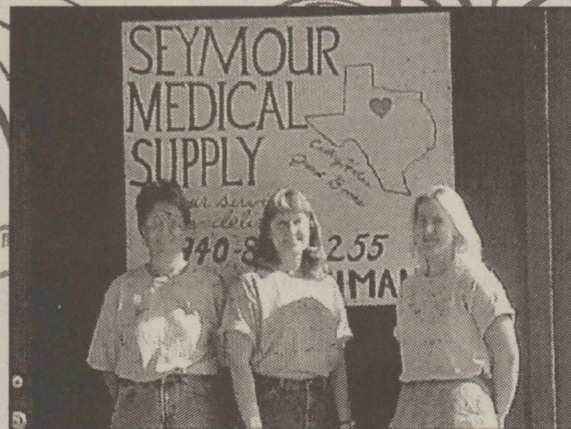
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# Stuard, Thompson wed June 14

Erin Kathleen Stuard and Casey Paul Thompson were joined in marriage Sat., June 14 at Logsdon Chapel in Abilene. Dr. Ronnie Prevost of Hardin-Simmons University officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Ron and Charlotte Stuard of Iraan and granddaughter of Marge Stuard and the late Charles Stuard of Iraan, Mary Lu Webb of San Angelo, and Claud and Stella Webb of Ballinger.

The groom is the son of Kenny and Wanda Thompson of Paint Creek and the grandson of Charles and Mary Ann Thompson of Garland, and the late Sammie and Emma Griffith of Paint Creek.

Matron of honor was Melissa Hanna, sister of the bride, of Chula Vista, California. Bridesmaids were Christi Sellers of Austin, Lori Tupin of Goldthwaite, Stacy Holmes of College Station, Katie Thompson, sister of the groom, of Lubbock, and Jessica Blackwelder of Lubbock.

Best man was Bob Clark of Groveton. Groomsmen were Bob Wager of Groveton, Jim Kostiha of Gordon, Kelly Cook of Coppell, Jody Curry of Decatur and Thomas

Anderson of Abilene.

Ushers were Josh Howard of Frisco, Ryan Rylander of Roscoe, Brandon Tibbets of Abilene and Brandon Ramsey of Iraan.

Paige and Jill Stuart, cousins of the bride of Texarkana, registered guests.

Ellen Rieger of Haskell, pianist, accompanied vocalist Jennifer Chiappone of Clyde as she sang "Have You Ever Been in Love?" before the ceremony and "The Lord's Prayer" during the ceremony. Sandy Merrill of Potosi played the pipe organ for the Wedding March.

For something old, the bride wore a bridal garter made from lace from her mother-in-law's wedding dress, something new was her wedding ensemble and diamond earrings, a wedding gift from the groom, something borrowed was a handkerchief from her father, and something blue was the ribbon on her garter.

The reception was held at The Windsor Hotel, catered by The Farmer's Daughter of Sweetwater.

The rehearsal dinner was hosted

by the groom's parents at Enrique's.

The bride is a 1997 graduate of Iraan High School and a graduate of Texas A&M with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business and Management. She completed her early childhood education degree at Sam Houston University in Huntsville and plans to be teaching third grade this fall in Groveton.

The groom is a 1996 graduate of Paint Creek High School and a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Physical Education and English. He is employed by Groveton ISD as a teacher and coach.

The couple honeymooned in Fredericksburg, New Braunfels and Austin. They will reside in Groveton.



MR. AND MRS. CASEY PAUL THOMPSON

## Jetton attends reunion

Faye Jetton of Haskell recently attended a Stafford family reunion in Montana, traveling with her granddaughter Diann and husband, Terry Tatom and their grandchildren, Lauran and Taylor Tatom, and visiting with daughters Jackie Frantz and Sandra and husband Don Stafford in Great Falls, on the way

to Masulla, Montana.

Other members of the Stafford family attending were Tony and wife Stephanie and sons, Travis and Jessie Stafford of Arlee, Montana; Walter and Kim, with children Brienne, Lilly and Thomas Sauer of Evaro, Montana; Ted and Shirley Bond of Arlee, Montana.

### ECC Calendar and Menu

Mon., July 28

Lunch—Fish (cod) and tartar sauce, hushpuppies, potato salad, pinto beans, tomato wedges/onions, applesauce cake with sugar glazed icing, milk, tea, or coffee

Wed., July 30

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

Lunch—Beef stew, pimento/tuna sandwiches, cheese macaroni salad, pickles/onions, dessert, milk, tea, or coffee

Fri., Aug. 1

Lunch—Meat loaf, creamy mashed potatoes, buttered corn, chili beans, garlic bread, peach cobbler, milk, tea, or coffee

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## Births

Patty and Robin Raynes of Rule announce the birth of their son, Robert Williams (Rowdy) Raynes IV, born May 22 weighing 7.2 oz. He was 20" long.

He was welcomed home by Tiffany, JJ and Rebecca.

Grandparents are Crystella Raynes and Betty and Bobby Raynes, all of Weinert; and Bonnie Holmes of Rule.

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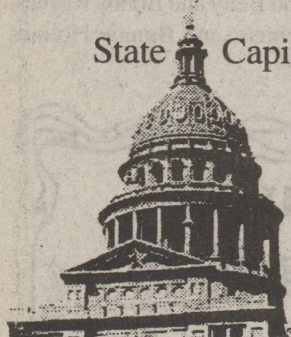
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# OPINION

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## HIGHLIGHTS

By Mike Cox

### 20 state agencies render aid to hurricane victims

AUSTIN—Twenty state agencies have responded to help Texans in the aftermath of Hurricane Claudette and the list includes some unusual department names.

State agencies involved in the recovery effort include the Department of Public Safety, Texas Army National Guard, Texas Engineering Extension Service, Texas Forest Service and Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

Other agencies include the Public Utilities Commission, Texas Department of Transportation, Railroad Commission, General Land Office, Texas Department of Human Services and Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

Others are the Texas Youth Commission, Department of Criminal Justice, Department of Health, University of Texas Center for Space Research, Texas Water Development Board, Department of Information Resources, and Texas Animal Health Commission.

Eighteen counties were affected by the hurricane, which claimed two lives and left one person injured.

Property damage was worse than expected. A dollar figure is still being discussed and the full effects will sink in as recovery operations continue: Though Claudette was a Category 1 hurricane on the Saffir-Simpson scale, it did not act like one.

The scale ranks tropical cyclones from 1 to 5 with 5 being one you don't ever want to hear about, much less experience. A Category 1 storm, with winds of 74 to 95 miles an hour, according to the National Weather Service, is supposed to cause "no real damage to building structures."

Claudette, evidently, did not get that memo. The state's Division of Emergency Management estimates that three out of four residences and 70 percent of all businesses in the Port Lavaca area were damaged by the storm last week.

In reality, the damage left in the hurricane's wake reads a lot more like a Category 2 storm with "some roofing material, door, and window damage of buildings." In fact, one reported 104 mile an hour gust was well into Category 2 territory.

The bottom line message that state and local officials will try to get out is that given the effects of a so-called "minimal" hurricane, Texans who live along the state's long coast line need to give a bit more of their thinking to the possibility of "the big one" hitting Texas.

### The other storm...

In Austin meanwhile, developments in the ongoing special session to deal with congressional redistricting continue to move about as fast as Hurricane Claudette did when it came ashore.

Maps showing proposed district realignments come and go like flying corrugated metal torn from a roof. And Gov. Rick Perry has indicated that he will call another special session if lawmakers don't reach an accord on map matters this session.

Best, and arguably the most-accurate quote on the issue last week came from Sen. Robert Duncan (R-Lubbock): "We may never be able to get a consensus. But that doesn't mean we shouldn't continue to try."

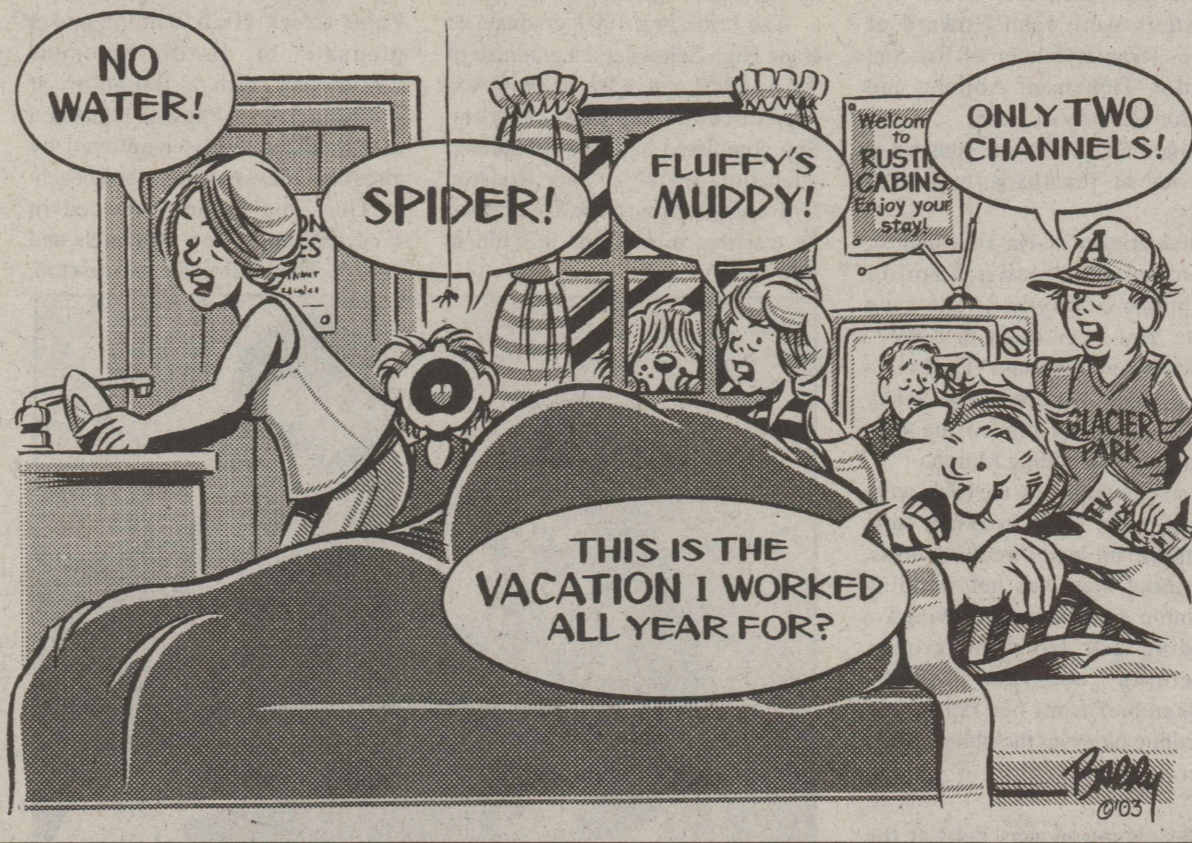
### Former rangers buy land...

With their official state service over because of retirement, a group of former Texas Rangers and their supporters have purchased 15 acres of land in Kerrville for a planned Texas Rangers History and Education Center.

The tract is on Texas 173 near the Cowboy Art Museum in Kerrville. The sale was closed July 1.

Planned for the land is a \$6 million complex the Former Texas Ranger Association Foundation hopes to see opened within three years.

The facility will feature Ranger artifacts and house research material dealing with the legendary law enforcement arm.



## From the AG

By Greg Abbott

"You've won a free trip to Cancun! All you have to do is pay taxes and a small fee." Sound familiar? Our Consumer Protection Division receives hundreds of complaints about telephone fraud each year.

Phone scams fall into two major categories: telemarketing fraud and unfair or deceptive practices by telephone service providers.

Telemarketing fraud involves calls you may receive offering free gifts, "fabulous" vacations or valuable items that have been drastically reduced in price. You are usually told that you have won a contest—all you have to do is pay the shipping and handling, taxes or "fees." The fees may be worth more than the prize and the prize may never actually appear.

Many people have been swindled in get-rich-quick deals. Someone may call you and offer a no-risk, high-profit deal in real estate or oil and gas. These are generally bogus. High-profit investments are usually high-risk, and legitimate investment opportunities are not sold over the phone.

One of the most vicious phone scams is the foreign lottery. You receive a call from someone who tells you that you've won a huge prize and all you have to do is pay the taxes or "fees" in advance. Whatever money you send, they keep.

Once you have fallen for one of these lottery scams, the same criminals may try to rob you again by posing as law enforcement agents who will "help" recover your money. There will, of course, be a fee involved, and you will never recoup the money you originally lost.

There are several ways you can protect yourself. Most important: if you believe the person on the line is trying to cheat you, just hang up. Remember, they called you.

Another common theme in telemarketing fraud is the misuse of personal financial information. Phone scammers may try to persuade you to tell them your bank account information, social security number or credit card numbers. Do not give out this information unless you know you are dealing with a reputable company.

Under Texas law, if you use a credit card to buy from a telephone solicitor, the seller must offer a full refund for returned goods that are unopened and undamaged, provided they are returned within seven days from when the buyer received them. In addition, federal law allows you to dispute a credit card charge with the bank that issued the card. You can refuse to pay a questionable portion of your credit card bill pending the outcome of your dispute. Disputes over credit card bills must be made in writing.

The second major kind of phone fraud we hear about involves unfair or deceptive business practices by local and long distance telephone service providers. The most common of these deceptive practices are "slamming" and "cramming."

"Slamming" is when your local or long distance phone service is switched from one provider to another without your knowledge or consent. "Cramming" is adding unauthorized charges to your phone bill. These include charges for products or services you are not familiar with, or regulatory fees billed by companies other than your service providers.

Read your phone bill carefully. Notify service providers about unauthorized charges or changes in your phone service. If you have been slammed, ask your local phone company to switch you back to your preferred long distance provider. If you are a victim of cramming, ask to have the unauthorized charges removed. Under Texas law, you are not required to pay unauthorized charges.

It is hard to imagine our lives today without the convenience of the telephone. Use it safely and remember: if someone calls and says you have won millions in a lottery, hang up! Do not send the money.

## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

### 10 Years Ago July 22, 1993

Rodriguez Inn of Haskell captured first place in the third annual St. Ann's Knights of Columbus Softball Tournament in Stamford.

Sagerton native Kenneth E. Neinst, county agent-agriculture for Rains County, was selected by the National Association of County Agricultural Agents to receive the organization's Distinguished Service award.

Barbara Pratt was sworn in as new postmaster at Rule. She took the oath from Richard Sechelski of Fort Worth, district manager of post office operations.

Haskell County Commissioners appointed Gina Brown of Rule as Haskell County Justice of the Peace.

Ruth Ann Klose of Haskell was among more than 500 delegates who gathered in Washington, D. C. for the second Triennial Convention of Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

### 20 Years Ago July 28, 1983

Seth Pace returned from a session at Philmont Scout Ranch near Cimarron, New Mexico. Charlie Ross headed the troop composed of scouts from several West Texas towns.

Attending the 21st annual Texas Farm Bureau Citizenship Seminar from Haskell County were Donna Griffin, Darlene Carroll and Kelly McGuire.

Vincent Peters of Vauresson, France took an adventure on a tractor among his many other adventures

while visiting in Texas in the home of Steven and Karen Lehmann of Sagerton.

### 30 Years Ago July 26, 1973

Herman Marcus, Richard Marcus and Barry Henry turned the first spade of earth for the 11,000 sq. ft. building to house the plant of Herman Marcus, Inc.

Janice Isbell of Paint Creek received her Bachelor of Science degree in Home Economics Education from Texas Tech University.

Kim Campbell and Melissa Roberson represented Haskell County in the Junior and Senior division of the District Dress Revue for 4-H.

New residents of Haskell were Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Cannon. Mrs. Cannon graduated from St. Joseph School of Vocational Nursing in Fort Worth.

### 40 Years Ago July 25, 1963

Kenneth W. Howard, of Paint Creek was elected to membership in the Society of Exploration Geophysicists.

Roy E. Frierson, of Haskell, was named a district sales manager for the chemical division of Lone Star Producing Company.

Haskell was represented at the 29th annual national convention of the National Federation of Women's Clubs in Dallas by Opal Adkins and Clara Biard.

Captain Curtis Cross of Haskell, a 22-year veteran career officer in the

United States Air Force regular establishment was promoted to the rank of major.

Mike Ivey, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Speer of Haskell, was the Leonard delegate and attended the state FFA meet in Lubbock.

### 50 Years Ago July 23, 1953

G. T. (Garth) Garrett and R. C. Langford announced the opening of the L. & G. Garage, located in Smitty's annex building.

Two Haskell florists, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. M. Conner of Conner Nursery & Floral Company went to a convention.

Hamilton Wright, staff reporter of the Abilene Reporter-News, spent time in Haskell. Widely known for his "Road Runner" column, the veteran newsman has many friends here.

### 100 Years Ago July 25, 1903

S. W. Scott and Judge H. G. Connell has professional business in district court at Anson.

T. G. Carney is sending lumber out and having the thirteenth house built on his land in the northwest part of the county. He informed us that he has 1,300 acres planted in cotton alone this year.

Matt Walker came in from Hartley County, where he has been working on the T Diamond Ranch for several months.

J. K. Simmons, son of Dr. J. G. Simmons, went to Pine Bluff, Ark., where he will make his home with his sister, Mrs. J. E. Gammill, and attend school.

## Letters to the Editor

Dear editor,

We would like to thank all of the merchants and individuals that supported the Haskell County All Night Party 2003. It is because of those donations that we are able to provide a fun and safe party for graduation night.

Thank you,

Haskell County Parents  
Debbie Kennedy  
Kitsie Drinnon  
Kay Smith

Dear editor,

On behalf of the Haskell Girls All-Stars Softball Association, we would like to say thank you for your support and donations for our fund raisers. This could not have been done without the generosity of the Haskell community.

The girls and parents of the Haskell All-Stars Division III Coaches: Jacklyn Wheatley, Jackie Escobedo and Donna Tidrow  
Division II Coaches: Terry Weise, Tom Bassett and Mike Kloog

## Sales Tax Holiday is Aug. 1-3

Shoppers can stock up on clothes and shoes without paying sales tax August 1-3, Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn announced.

"I love the Sales Tax Holiday. It's the one time where hard-working Texas families get to keep more of their dollars in their pockets for their families' priorities. The fifth annual Sales Tax Holiday will be held the first Friday, Saturday and Sunday of August," Strayhorn said. "During the Sales Tax Holiday most clothes and shoes priced under \$100 are exempt

from state and local sales taxes."

Strayhorn estimates Texans will save \$43.8 million in sales tax, including \$34.6 million in state sales tax and \$9.2 million in local sales taxes.

Examples of items that can be purchased tax-free August 1-3 include kids' clothes and school uniforms, adults' clothes and work uniforms, shoes, tennis shoes, sleepwear and underclothes for the entire family, as long as the items are priced under \$100 each.

Strayhorn has repeatedly called on the Legislature to add backpacks, school supplies and safety gear for Texas children to the Tax Exempt list; they have failed to do so.

Items that cannot be purchased tax-free include handbags, wallets, jewelry, accessories, athletic shoes and sports apparel that are not normally street wear, backpacks and school supplies.

Since the first Sales Tax Holiday in 1999, the annual three-day event has saved Texans an estimated \$150.2 million in sales tax, including \$118.5 million in state sales tax and \$31.7 million in local sales tax.

"During these tough economic times, I believe Texas families will once again take full advantage of this well-deserved tax break to make their dollars go farther," Strayhorn said.

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## Keeping an Eye on Texas

### Mark Your Calendar For Savings

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For more information about the Sales Tax Holiday, including a list of tax-exempt and non-exempt items, visit the Comptroller's Web site at [http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxpubs/tb96\\_237\\_2\\_03.html#holiday](http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxpubs/tb96_237_2_03.html#holiday)

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# Alexander family meets at Circle S Ranch

The annual reunion of the George and Harriet Alexander family, longtime residents of Weinert, was held July 18-19-20 at the Circle S Ranch, hosted by a grandson, Jacky and Sandra Sanders.

Beginning many years ago as a gathering to celebrate the birthday of the father and grandfather of the Alexander siblings, the family meets each year as a way to build stronger family ties, be together and visit those members not seen throughout the year. This year there were many 'first timers' that the family had not seen for years.

Organizers helping with the work of planning the reunion were Troy and Jo Blakely of Micanopy, Florida, who have printed and send out invitations and programs each year.

The three-day event was filled with a variety of activities, including washer pitching, watermelon eating, singing, visiting, and telling stories about 'the good ole days.'

George and Harriet (Lovell) Alexander had ten children, nine of whom lived to have families of their own. These children were: Minerva Touchstone, Richard Alexander, Washington Alexander, Nellie Rinehart, Sallie Sanders, Lola Cowley, J. T. Alexander, Albert Alexander and Melba Kim, who was the only living child not able to attend the reunion.

Special visitors were the oldest member present, Eddie Sanders, a nephew, and his son, Kenneth Sanders of Weinert.

Andy Sanders of Cross Plains and Jeanie Whittier and Margie Whitcher were auctioneers for the auction of donated homemade and antique gifts. The trophy for washer throwing was won by Jacky Sanders and Kenneth Campbell.

Descendants of the oldest child, Minerva Touchstone, attending were Troy Wayne and Jo Blakely of Micanopy, Florida, Bobby Hutchinson, Wanda Wilkerson, Micheal Perry and a friend, Stephen Hodges of Newberry, Florida.

Richard Alexander descendants attending were: Bill and Frances Babbitt, Jeanie Whittier of Gorman; Chan and Gloria Alexander of Texarkana, son of Junior Alexander; Mike and Tammy Perez, Sharla, Angelina, Mike, David, Brantly, Amanda and Chad of Gorman; Mr. and Mrs. Jeremy Sanders of Stephenville; Margie Whitcher, Troup, Delores Bowsler, Perrin, Ronnie and Debra Sanders Watauga, and Pattie Isbell of Fort Worth; Edith Ross, Darwin Almond, Delwyn and Debbie Almond, all of Midland; Angie Almond of Ko City, Philippines 5000; Lori Moore and Loren of Jacksonville.

Washington Alexander descendants attending were: Thomas and Sue Alexander of San Antonio, niece Kim Perez of Weatherford and daughter, Lisa Beaker of Decula, Georgia, sons Johnny and Julie Alexander, James and Lynn of Vondromy; Randy and Linda Alexander, Jordon, Justin, Jimmy and Sue of San Antonio; Herschell Alexander's son, Terry Alexander of Baird; J. C. Alexander of Venita, Oregon, Carl and Evelyn Ellington of Muleshoe; Roy Alexander of Lubbock; George Alexander's children, Georgia Alexander, Allen Defelice and Jeremiah of Granite Shoals; April Alexander and James Egbert of Elgin; Jamie and Genee Alexander of Saginaw; Faye Crawford of San Antonio and her daughter, Ron and Janice Miller of Uvalde.

Nellie (Alexander) Rinehart descendants present were: Joy Kimbell and friend of Wichita Falls, and June Parr of Phoenix, Arizona.

Sallie (Alexander) Sanders descendants present were: Lona Mae Phelps, Kenneth and Elaine Campbell, Karen and Kendall Mitchell, all of Haskell; Travis and Wilma Sanders, Travis Glenh, Pam and Alexis Sanders of Coleman; Andrew and Marlene Sanders and Reneth Carrouth; Andrea and Andrew Jackson of Cross Plains; Bill and Martha Maupin, Loretta Maupin, Hank, Susan and Shawn Ray, all of Odessa; Sue Cox, Annah Alexander Mackay of Naples; Sallie Alexandria Sartain of Ore City; Jacky, Sandra and Jaclyn Sanders, Rex, Mandy and

Abby Sanders, Chris Craycraft and Becca Reed, all of Aledo; Rocky Sanders of Abilene.

Lola (Alexander) Tidrow descendants present were: Pauline Burnswick of Eagle River, Wisconsin; Gloria Shephard of Columbus, Georgia; Rockie and Lynne Cowley of Lueders; Rockie Jr. and Misti Cowley, Hunter and Chase of Wichita Falls; Charles and Jackie Pittman, David, Marlene, Matthew and Katherine Pittman of Scotland.

J. T. Alexander descendants present were: J. W. Alexander of Anna; Bill and Charlene Harlan of Eagle Lake.

None of the Albert Alexander or Melba Kim family members were present.

The family was happy to have such a good representation at the event, and look forward to next year's reunion to be held the last weekend in July at the Circle S Ranch.

## Jason Jouett promoted



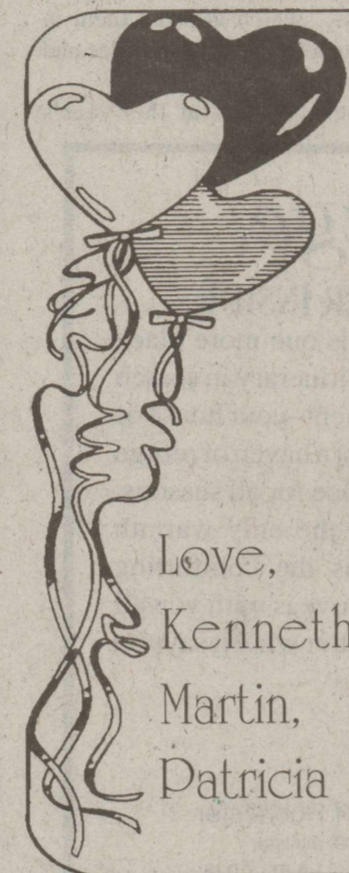
JASON JOUETT

Rolling Plains Regional Jail and Detention Center employee, Sgt. Jason Jouett, was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in an informal meeting July 15. Making the presentation were Assistant Warden Lonnie Rolls and Captain Dirk Barrington.

Lt. Jouett and his family live in Aspermont. He has been with the local facility since September, 2002.

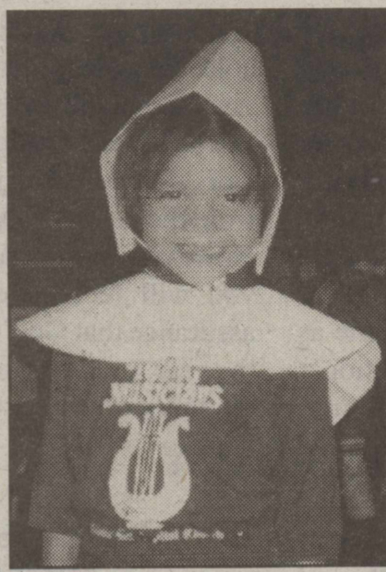


Robert Gonzales  
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79553



Happy 19<sup>th</sup>  
Birthday,  
Pickles!

Love,  
Kenneth,  
Martin,  
Patricia



## PUBLIC NOTICE

BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS SPECIAL ELECTION SEPTEMBER 13, 2003

### PROPOSITION 1 (HJR 68, Section 1)

HJR 68, Section 1 would authorize the Veterans' Land Board to use excess receipts in the Veterans' Land and Veterans' Housing Assistance funds for payment of revenue bonds, and use excess assets in those funds to provide veterans homes.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the Veterans' Land Board to use assets in certain veterans' land and veterans' housing assistance funds to provide veterans homes for the aged or infirm and to make principal, interest, and bond enhancement payments on revenue bonds."

### PROPOSITION 2 (HJR 51)

HJR 51 would expand from six months to two years the period in which the former owner of a mineral interest that was sold for unpaid property taxes may buy back the mineral interest.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to establish a two-year period for the redemption of a mineral interest sold for unpaid ad valorem taxes at a tax sale."

### PROPOSITION 3 (HJR 55)

HJR 55 would authorize the legislature to exempt from taxation land owned by a religious organization that is leased for use as a school or that will be used to expand or construct a place of religious worship that yields no revenue.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation property owned by a religious organization that is leased for use as a school or that is owned with the intent of expanding or constructing a religious facility."

### PROPOSITION 4 (SJR 30)

SJR 30 would authorize the legislature to allow conservation and reclamation districts to use taxes to develop and finance certain parks and recreation facilities. Also, the amendment would authorize the legislature to allow local elections for the issuance of bonds to improve and maintain parks and recreational facilities in the Tarrant Regional Water District or a conservation and reclamation district located in whole or in part in Bastrop, Bexar, Brazoria, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Montgomery, Tarrant, Travis, Waller or Williamson County.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to the provision of parks and recreational facilities by certain conservation and reclamation districts."

### PROPOSITION 5 (SJR 25)

SJR 25 would authorize the legislature to exempt from all property taxes certain tangible personal property, which could include a travel trailer not substantially affixed to real estate and not used as a residential dwelling.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation travel trailers not held or used for the production of income."

### PROPOSITION 6 (HJR 23)

HJR 23 would authorize a qualified homeowner to refinance a home equity loan with a reverse mortgage loan.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment permitting refinancing of a home equity loan with a reverse mortgage."

### PROPOSITION 7 (HJR 44)

HJR 44 would reduce the number of persons who make up the jury in a district court criminal misdemeanor case from twelve to six.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to permit a six-person jury in a district court misdemeanor trial."

### PROPOSITION 8 (HJR 62)

HJR 62 would authorize the legislature to permit a person to assume office without an election if the person is the only candidate to qualify in an election for that office and the election is required by the Texas Constitution. This proposition applies to state and local political subdivisions, whereas Proposition 18 applies only to local political subdivisions.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit a person to take office without an election if the person is the only candidate to qualify in an election for that office."

### PROPOSITION 9 (HJR 68, Section 2)

HJR 68, Section 2 would redefine the com-

position of the permanent and available school funds by requiring during the next two fiscal years, and authorizing thereafter, annual distributions to the available school fund of a percentage of any increase in the value of the permanent school fund's total investment assets.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to the use of income and appreciation of the permanent school fund."

### PROPOSITION 10 (HJR 61)

HJR 61 would authorize municipalities to donate surplus fire-fighting equipment, supplies, or materials to the Texas Forest Service, which would be authorized to distribute based on need the equipment to rural volunteer fire departments.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing municipalities to donate surplus fire-fighting equipment or supplies for the benefit of rural volunteer fire departments."

### PROPOSITION 11 (HJR 85)

HJR 85 would authorize the legislature to regulate the operation of wineries in Texas, regardless of whether a winery is located in an area in which the sale of wine has been authorized by local option election.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "A constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to enact laws authorizing and governing the operation of wineries in this state."

### PROPOSITION 12 (HJR 3)

HJR 3 would immediately authorize the Legislature to limit non-economic damages assessed against a provider of medical or health care and, after January 1, 2005, to limit awards in all other types of cases.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment concerning civil lawsuits against doctors and health care providers, and other actions, authorizing the legislature to determine limitations on non-economic damages."

### PROPOSITION 13 (HJR 16)

HJR 16 would authorize a county, city, town, and junior college district to freeze property taxes on a residential homestead of a person who is disabled or aged 65 or older.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to permit counties, cities and towns, and junior college districts to establish an ad valorem tax freeze on residence homesteads of the disabled and of the elderly and their spouses."

### PROPOSITION 14 (HJR 28)

HJR 28 would authorize the Texas Department of Transportation to issue

notes or borrow money to fund highway improvement projects. The terms of the notes or loans may not exceed two years. The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for authorization of the issuing of notes or the borrowing of money on a short-term basis by a state transportation agency for transportation-related projects, and the issuance of bonds and other public securities secured by the state highway fund."

### PROPOSITION 15 (HJR 54)

HJR 54 would prohibit a local retirement system and the political subdivision that finances the retirement system from reducing or otherwise impairing certain accrued benefits under the local retirement system.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The Constitutional amendment providing that certain benefits under certain local public retirement systems may not be reduced or impaired."

### PROPOSITION 16 (SJR 42)

SJR 42 would amend the Texas Constitution to allow home equity lines of credit and allow refinancing of a home equity loan with a reverse mortgage loan.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing a home equity line of credit, providing for administrative interpretation of home equity lending law, and otherwise relating to the making, refinancing, repayment, and enforcement of home equity loans."

### PROPOSITION 17 (HJR 21)

HJR 21 would prohibit an increase in school property taxes on residence homesteads of disabled persons.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to prohibit an increase in the total amount of school district ad valorem taxes that may be imposed on the residence homestead of a disabled person."

### PROPOSITION 18 (HJR 59)

HJR 59 would authorize the legislature to permit a person to assume an office of a political subdivision without an election if the person is the only candidate to qualify in an election for that office and the election is required by the Texas Constitution. This proposition applies only to local political subdivisions, whereas Proposition 8 applies to state and local political subdivisions.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit a person to assume an office of a political subdivision without an election if the person is the only candidate to qualify in an election for that office."

### PROPOSITION 19 (SJR 45)

SJR 45 would repeal the legislature's

authority to create rural fire prevention districts. Effective September 1, 2003, all existing rural fire prevention districts will convert to emergency services districts.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to repeal the authority of the legislature to provide for the creation of rural fire prevention districts."

### PROPOSITION 20 (SJR 55)

SJR 55 would authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds in a total amount not to exceed \$250 million that will be used to provide loans for economic development projects that benefit defense-related communities in Texas.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds or notes not to exceed \$250 million payable from the general revenues of the state to provide loans to defense-related communities, that will be repaid by the defense-related community, for economic development projects, including projects that enhance the military value of military installations."

### PROPOSITION 21 (SJR 19)

SJR 19 would authorize current and retired faculty members of a public institution of higher education to receive compensation for service as a member of the governing body of a water district.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to permit a current or retired faculty member of a public college or university to receive compensation for service on the governing body of a water district."

### PROPOSITION 22 (HJR 84)

HJR 84 would authorize the appointment of a temporary replacement officer to serve on behalf of a state, district, or local public officer who is called into active military duty for longer than 30 days.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the appointment of a temporary replacement officer to fill a vacancy created when a public officer enters active duty in the United States armed forces."

Estos son los informes explicatorios sobre las enmiendas propuestas a la constitución que aparecerán en la boleta el 13 de septiembre de 2003. Si usted no ha recibido una copia de los informes en español, podrá obtener una gratis llamando al 1/800/252/8683 o escribiendo al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, TX 78711.

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## Haskell Grain is Closed

Due to the purchase of our lease property for ensuing highway expansion, Haskell Grain was forced to close its doors. We would like to take this opportunity to thank our many customers who made our business successful. We were welcomed with open arms and we felt extremely fortunate to be a part of the local community.

We will be purchasing milo to store in our Olney elevator. We would appreciate the opportunity to quote a price on the upcoming milo crop. We are currently contracting (by the acre or cwt).

If you have any questions regarding grain, feed or seed, we can be reached at the phone numbers below. We are currently exploring our options and hope to be a part of your community again one day.

We were very impressed when we heard that the neighbors of an ill farmer all pitched in to cut his wheat, at no cost. It is this caring spirit that makes Haskell strong and gives us the desire to want to return. Thanks again and see ya soon!

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## Girls attend citizenship seminar

Attending the Texas Farm Bureau's 40th annual Citizenship Seminar in San Angelo June 2-6 were Amy Turner and Hayley Herode, both of Rochester High School.

Sponsored by the Haskell County Farm Bureau, they were among approximately 350 high school junior and senior students from over 150 counties across the state.

The seminar provides the students with a better understanding of their American heritage and the capitalistic free enterprise system.

"Farm Bureau-Your Host" was presented by Vernie Glasson, Texas Farm Bureau Executive Director, after the students were welcomed to Angelo State University. Martin Lefevere (TFB Field Representative), and Maria Swearingen (2002 Miss TFB and TFB Speech contest winner), presented "Farm Bureau Scholarship Opportunities."

The students also participated in a program called "Congressional Insights," which allowed them to simulate a Congressional office and election.

Other speakers at this year's

seminar and their subjects were: David Vernon of Lubbock Christian University, "Basics of Free Enterprise" and Ronald Trowbridge of Hillsdale College, "The Constitution."

In addition, the students participated in a panel discussion led by Trowbridge and Vernon followed by a question and answer session on "Our Rights, Our Freedom, Our Responsibility."

The students were entertained on Tuesday evening by Neal Jeffrey of Dallas, a humorist and motivational speaker. Damon Whaley, former TFB Talent Find Contest winner, provided special entertainment. Whaley is an accomplished musician, comedian and impressionist.

Clebe McClary, a motivational speaker, challenged the students to "Press on Regardless" at Thursday evening's banquet.



AT SEMINAR—Rochester High School students, l-r, Amy Turner and Hayley Herode, recently attended the Texas Farm Bureau's 40th annual Citizenship Seminar held in San Angelo.

## This Week's Devotional Message:



### YOUR HOUSE OF WORSHIP IS 20 DEGREES COOLER INSIDE

Has the midsummer heat been getting you down? Not to mention the humidity factor, which can only add to the oppressiveness of the soaring temperatures. Of course, being a sensible person, you dress right, live right and do what you can to offset the discomforts of the season. You spend as much time as your lifestyle will allow in air conditioner places, and maybe at the ol' swimmin'

hole. However, there is one more place you might add to your itinerary in search of a pleasant environment—your house of worship. More than just a haven of refuge from the heat, it's a place for all seasons. However, in summer the only warmth you will feel there is the comforting assurance that God's love is with you all the year 'round, no matter what it says on the thermometer.

### ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

#### HASKELL

- East Side Baptist Church**  
Dr. Jim Helfin, interim 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 Garrison, minister  
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
107 N. Ave. F, Haskell
- New Vision Family Worship Center**  
James Rincker, pastor • 864-5438  
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7:00 p.m.  
East Hwy 380, Haskell
- Trinity Lutheran Church**  
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**  
Allen Brooks, pastor  
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:45 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., 11:00 a.m., Wed. 7 p.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**  
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
908 N. Ave. A, Haskell
- Greater Independent Baptist Church**  
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 a.m., 11 a.m., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.  
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
- Cornerstone Baptist Fellowship**  
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.  
1303 N. Ave. I, Haskell
- 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 Willis, minister  
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.  
West on Main Street, Rochester
- First Baptist Church**  
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 Gulledege, pastor  
Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 5 p., 6 p., Wed. 6 p.m.  
O'Brien

- Faith Chapel of Rochester**  
Katherine Byrd, minister  
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m.  
Hwy 6, Rochester
- First United Methodist Church**  
Dolan Brinson, pastor  
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.  
Rochester
- SAGERTON**
- Sagerton Methodist Church**  
Melissa Bemis, pastor  
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.  
Sagerton
- Faith Lutheran Church**  
Deborah Nissen, pastor  
Sun. Morn. 9:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
Sagerton
- RULE**
- First Baptist Church**  
Josh Stowe, pastor  
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
1001 Union Ave., Rule
- Primitive Baptist Church**  
Dale Turner Jr., pastor  
First & Third Sundays 10 a.m.  
Corner of 8th & Robins, Rule
- Church of Christ**  
John Greeson, minister  
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
811 Union, Rule
- First United Methodist Church**  
Tommy Wilson, pastor  
Sun. Morn. Worship 10 a.m.  
1000 Union Ave., Rule
- Primera Iglesia Bautista**  
Alfa y Omega  
Manuel Marin, pastor  
Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.  
500 Elm Street, 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

## Kennedy Estate Auction

Saturday July 26, 2003 9 a.m. VIEW: 8 a.m.

@925 N. 6th, Haskell, TX. Turn North off Hwy. 380 on Ave. H @Phillips 66 Station. To N. 6th, then West to sale site.

FURN/APPL: Brocade Tufted Back Sofa, Hide-a-Bed Sofa & Chair, Recliners, Occ. Chairs, Dinette w/4 chairs, Glass Top Table w/4 Roll Chairs, 2 FS Beds, KS Bed, Triple Dresser w/ Mirror, Glass Top Coffee Table, Ranch Oak Coffee Table, Sm. Rocker, Sewing Machine, Washer, Dryer, Portable Dishwasher, 42" Electric Range, Baldwin Organ, Spinnet Piano, Lamps, End Tables. \*COLLECTIBLES: Humidor, Steamer Trunk, "Buddy L Sand & Gravel" Dump Truck, "Big Jim" Elect. Crane (In Box), Other Metal Trucks/Cranes, Model Cars, Metal Doll Furn., Dolls, Paper Dolls, Games, Wedding Dress, Pink & Green Depression, 1000 Eyes? Serving Pcs., 1847 Rogers Bros. IS "Adoration" (Original Case), Cobalt Sail Boat Glasses, Old China, Some Hall, Hull, Frankoma, Etc. \*MISC: Stoneware for 12 & 8, Lots glasses/Knic Knacs, Milk Glass Bowl, Ice Buckets, Pots, Pans, Plastic, Sm. Appls., Many New Boxed Items, Books, Clothes, Coolers, Thermos, Flatware, Kitchen Utensils, Vac, Linens, Quilt Tops, Fold Walker, Lots figurines/Misc.

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\*\*\*\*\* Calendar \*\*\*\*\*

- 7-31 Gov't/ACU/Others, 1905 Cottonwood, Ab., Tx 6:30 p.m.
- 8-9 Craftsman Tools, 1905 Cottonwood, Ab. Tx 9 a.m.
- 8-10 Jack Joy's Knives, 4504, 1905 Cottonwood, Ab. Tx 1 p.m.
- 8-15/16 City of Abilene, Civic Center, Ab. Tx 10 a.m.
- 9-2 Taylor County Tax Properties, 300 Oak, Ab. Tx 10 a.m.
- 9-13 Great Estate, Tuxedo, Tx (Jones Co.) 9 a.m.

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## Haskell County Quarterly Report April, May June 2003

	BEGINNING BALANCE	RECEIPTS	AVAILABLE AMOUNT	LESS DISBURSEMENT	END OF MONTH BALANCE
GENERAL	189,642.40	234,955.48	424,597.88	333,202.91	91,394.97
JURY	1,186.22	10,442.00	11,628.22	2,239.01	4,689.21
LAW LIBRARY	1,869.39	1,250.00	3,119.39	1,006.65	2,094.74
LATERAL ROAD 1	374.97	0.00	374.97	374.97	0.00
LATERAL ROAD 2	3.44	0.00	3.44	0.00	3.44
LATERAL ROAD 3	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LATERAL ROAD 4	6.28	0.00	6.28	0.00	6.28
ROAD & BRIDGE 1	114,864.62	37,864.62	152,729.24	60,964.48	91,764.76
ROAD & BRIDGE 2	96,051.78	36,243.91	132,295.69	27,616.52	104,679.17
ROAD & BRIDGE 3	158,077.24	36,664.92	194,742.16	78,032.44	116,709.72
ROAD & BRIDGE 4	145,760.39	86,373.45	232,133.84	148,371.97	83,761.87
FAM LATERAL ROAD 1	13,062.38	4,911.15	17,973.53	42,589.23	28,394.30
FAM LATERAL ROAD 2	127,797.61	2,216.43	130,014.04	127,722.22	2,291.82
FAM LATERAL ROAD 3	12,288.78	3,082.40	15,371.18	16,200.48	1,170.70
FAM LATERAL ROAD 4	116,446.05	4,029.13	120,475.18	15,877.45	104,597.73
CRIMINAL JUSTICE	27,272.44	13,863.80	41,136.24	11,980.58	29,155.66
COMP VICTIMS OF CRIME	7,388.33	2,972.98	10,361.31	7,258.33	3,103.00
ARREST FEE	11,481.12	2,821.55	14,302.67	616.94	13,685.73
JUDPERSONNEL TRAINING	1,548.03	758.49	2,306.52	891.20	1,415.32
SECURITY FUND	67,234.09	2,110.40	69,344.49	0.00	69,344.49
SEIZURE FUND	1,139.51	87.50	1,227.01	0.00	1,227.01
COUNTY ATTORNEY	4,628.47	1,765.56	6,394.03	907.51	5,486.52
DISTRICT ATTORNEY	1,525.44	78.18	1,603.62	0.00	1,603.62
DIST ATTY FORFEITURE FUND	1,489.90	38.86	1,528.76	0.00	1,528.76
MANAGEMENT PRESERVATION	7,634.29	873.49	8,507.78	805.63	7,702.15
PERMANENT SCHOOL	4,609.39	2,533.64	7,143.03	0.00	7,143.03
COUNTY LIBRARY	10,295.96	377.83	10,673.79	244.15	10,429.64
ECC NUTRITION	489.48	21,701.42	22,190.90	21,882.66	308.24
ECC BUILDING	4,976.34	4,881.19	9,857.53	6,156.84	3,700.69
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	106,749.02	383.04	107,132.06	0.00	107,132.06
RECORD MANAGEMENT	20,246.65	3,050.00	23,296.65	1,819.11	21,477.54
MTR VEHICLE INVENTORY TAX	4,201.54	0.00	4,201.54	0.00	4,201.54
JUSTICE CT TECHNOLOGY	2,123.85	0.00	2,123.85	0.00	2,123.85
ANCHOR PAYROLL	1,346.22	0.44	1,346.66	0.00	1,346.66
TOTAL	1,414,462.70	520,378.05	1,934,840.75	739,122.03	1,195,718.72

INVESTMENTS:  
SOCIAL SECURITY C.D. NO.70481 10,483.27  
GENERAL FUND C.D. NO.36223 100,000.00  
GENERAL FUND C.D. NO.4009221 100,000.00  
TOTAL 110,483.27

TOTAL CASH ASSETS FOR HASKELL COUNTY 1,306,171.99  
Willie Faye Tidrow  
County Treasurer & Investment Officer

On July 15, 2003 the Commissioners' Court of Haskell County met in regular session and compared the Quarterly Report of Willie Faye Tidrow, County Treasurer, for the Quarter ending June 30, 2003 and found the same and correct respective amounts to have been paid out during the Quarter.

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COUNTY JUDGE

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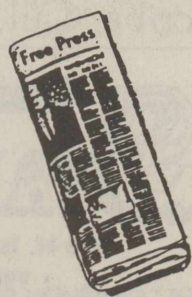
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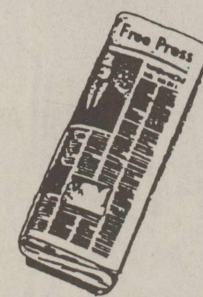
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PRE-CAST Storm Shelters. Call 940-864-3684 or 817-996-3230. 29-32p

FOR SALE: Silvertown electric organ. Bi-level keyboard, foot bass pedals. 10 selection instrumentation. Call 864-2023, leave message. 30tfc

FOR SALE: Tidcraft bass boat, lake ready. 75 hp Mariner. 2 fish finders, trolling motor. \$3,250. 864-5433 or 915-725-5337. 30p

### Cars For Sale

FOR SALE: 1988 GMC pickup, loaded, runs good. Tool box, bedliner. 507 N. Ave. H. 864-2380, Harvey C. White. 30p

### Garage Sales

GARAGE SALE: Sat., July 26. 8 till 7. 1101 N. Ave. I. Computer desk with hutch, boys' clothes, up to size 8; recliner, toys, household goods, car seat, etc. 30p

GARAGE SALE: Sat. only, 8 to 1. Jerry Ann and Dala. 806 N. 11th. Health Ryder exercise machine, furniture, sheets, blankets, dishes, clothes, ice cream maker; black Justin mens' lacer, size 13; Slalom ski, new; General Grabber tires (3) P-255-70-16, like new, \$30 each; and pine entertainment center. Everything half price after noon. 30p

GARAGE SALE: Sat., July 26, 8 to 2. 206 S. Ave. I. Name brand back to school clothes, girls 3-4T, boys 10; toys, lots more. 30p

### Help Wanted

NOW TAKING APPLICATIONS for all positions at Sonic Drive In, Haskell. Apply in person. 25tfc

RICE SPRINGS Care Home is accepting applications for full time RNs and LVNs; and a relief RN. Call Karen at 864-2652 for information. 16tfc

MUNDAY NURSING CENTER now taking applications for CNAs. Good benefits program. Come by Munday Nursing Center and talk to Rachel Gray RN, Director of Nurses. 28-30c

EMT, PARAMEDIC, and/or LVN needed FT 7p to 7a for correctional facility in Haskell. Great pay and benefits. Contact Debbe at 940-864-5789. Email: CMOORE@PNAMEDICAL.NET or Fax resume to: 806-795-1294. 29-30c

NEED house keeper. 864-5433. 30c

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WILL DO babysitting in my home. Call 864-2590. 30tc

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### Miscellaneous

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### For Rent

HOUSE FOR RENT in Haskell. Call 940-256-1428 for details. 30p

COUNTRY HOUSE for rent. Call after 6:00 p.m. 864-2372. 30-31p

FOR RENT: 604 N. 3rd. 1 and 2 bedroom apartments. 864-3762. 30c

FOR RENT: 3 bedroom, 1 bath. Deposit required. 864-2127. 30-31c

### Real Estate

HOUSE and 12 lots for sale. 807 Railroad St., Rochester. Call J. C. Gholson at 940-989-2233. 21tfc

FOR SALE: I buy and sell houses. Call Robert at 864-2238. 26tfc

FOR SALE BY OWNER: 1993 double, 28x80, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, nice. No land, to be moved. In Aspermont. Price \$19,800. 817-579-5965. 29-30c

1700 N. AVE. H. 3-2 1/2, carport, living-dining-kitchen combination with split bedroom arrangement, fenced yard with deck and hot tub. Immaculate condition. Many extras. Rike Real Estate, Mary Rike, Broker. 940-864-2411. 29-30c

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### Public Notices

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Contact Commissioner Mayfield at 940-864-8672 for more information.  
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**CITY OF WEINERT ORDINANCE**  
No. 012  
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEINERT RESTRICTING THE PARKING OF HEAVY VEHICLES, AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION ONE BELOW, AND PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY.  
SECTION 1. Heavy vehicles, for the purpose of this ordinance require Class A licensing to operate and are described as follows:  
CLASS A: Any combination of vehicles with a gross combination weight rating of 26,001 pounds or more, provided the gross vehicle weight rating of the vehicle or vehicles towed exceeds 10,000 pounds;  
SECTION 2: It shall be unlawful to use or leave unattended vehicles on any of the City's streets, or alleyways within the corporate limits of the City of Weinert, Texas at any time, starting from Timmerman Street through Scheffel Street running west of Bruestedt Street, and any intersecting streets that cross the above mentioned streets. Any such heavy vehicles using said streets or being left parked or unattended on said streets shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of this subsection.  
SECTION 3: PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR VIOLATION OF SECTION 2.

1) Any person, firm, or corporation violating the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a separate offense for each day or portion of a day during which any such violation shall be held punishable by a fine of not less than twenty-five (\$25.00) nor more than two hundred (\$200.00).  
(Day begins at 12:01 a.m., and ends at 12:00 midnight).

SECTION 4: This ordinance shall take effect 10 (ten) days from and after its passage and publication in accordance with the provisions of state law, and it is accordingly so ordained.  
PASSED AND APPROVED in regular session of the City Council on this 27th day of May, 2003.

ATTEST:  
Robert F. Horan, City Secretary  
Julian Estrada, Mayor

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**  
THE STATE OF TEXAS & COUNTY OF HASKELL &

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 39th Judicial District Court of HASKELL County, on the 7th day of July, 2003 by the Clerk thereof, in the case(s) styled as follows:

Cause No. 10,789. Styled: Haskell County Appraisal District, et al vs. W. W. Koonce. Legal Description: 1. Lots 5 & 6, Block 23, Original Town of Weinert, Haskell County, Texas.  
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Cause No. 10,931. Styled: Haskell County Appraisal District, et al vs. Malankton J. Lain and Effie M. Lain, Deceased. Legal Description: 4. Lot 1, Block 37, of the Original Town of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.  
and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the 5th day of August, 2003, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the South door of the Courthouse of HASKELL County, in the City of HASKELL, Texas.

Levied on the 7th day of July, 2003, as the property of said defendants, to satisfy the judgment rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest, at 12 percent per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of each jurisdiction.  
GIVEN UNDER MY HAND THIS 7TH DAY OF JULY, 2003.  
David Halliburton  
SHERIFF,  
HASKELL COUNTY, TEXAS  
28-30c

**SPECIAL ASSISTANCE PROVISION 2**  
Media Release-Base Year

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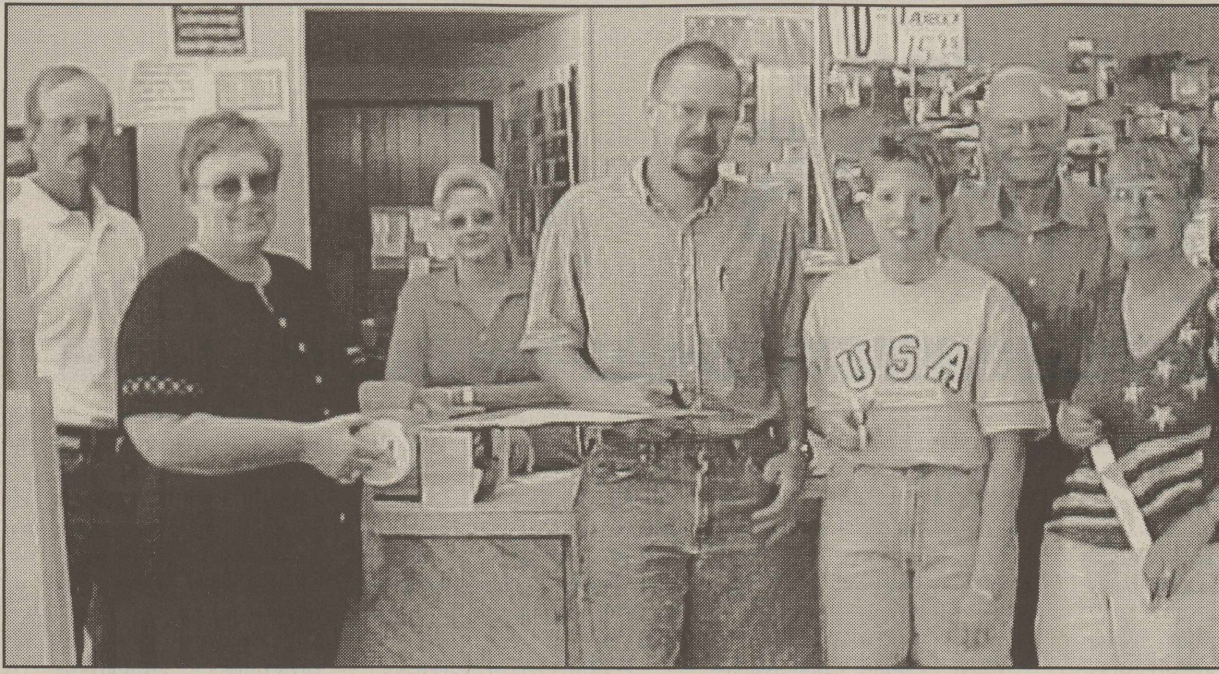
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**CELEBRATING NEW OWNERSHIP**—Kendell and Emily Medford, center front, cut the official ribbon during the opening of The Lumberyard, assisted by Chamber of Commerce members, on the left, Sam Watson and Billie McKeever, on the right, Abe Turner and Ruby Turner. Standing behind the counter is employee, Pat McNabb. Other employees not pictured are Johnny Wilson and Jerry Strickland.



**GRAND OPENING OF RESTAURANT**—Employees of the newly opened Navarrette Family Restaurant in Haskell celebrated Fri., July 18, with an official ribbon-cutting. Owner Nicolas Navarrette's sons, l-r, Giovanni and Salvatori Navarrette, cut the ribbon, assisted by Chamber of Commerce representatives, l-r, Billie McKeever and Ruby Turner. On the far left, is City Administrator, Sam Watson, and far right back, is Chamber of Commerce Manager, Abe Turner.

## Sales tax

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"Unfortunately, for the first time in history, we are going to have back to back losses in sales taxes—that's two years running."

Haskell County had a 19.96 percent decrease for July, 2003 of \$21,985.16 in comparison to \$27,468.53 for July 2002. 2003 payments to date of \$169,990.08 reflect a 10.80 percent decrease over 2002 payments to date of \$190,581.51.

The City of Haskell had a 22.05 percent decrease for July, 2003 of \$20,368.43 in comparison to \$26,130.44 for July, 2002. 2002 payments to date of \$156,376.02 reflect a 11.82 percent decrease over 2002 payments to date of \$177,354.81.

The City of O'Brien had a 305.29 percent increase for July, 2003 of \$75.75 in comparison to \$18.69 for July, 2002. 2003 payments to date of \$935.36 reflect a 82.94 percent increase over 2002 payments to date of \$511.27.

The City of Rochester had a 42.03 percent increase for July, 2003 of \$487.86 in comparison to \$343.49 for July, 2002. 2003 payments to date of \$3,767.84 reflect a 1.23 percent increase over 2002 payments to date of \$3,721.72.

The City of Rule had a 8.26 percent increase for July, 2003 of \$1,022.01 in comparison to \$943.96 for July, 2002. 2003 payments to date of \$8,046.46 reflect a 1.57 percent increase over 2002 payments to date of \$7,921.38.

The City of Weinert had a 2.62 percent decrease for July, 2003 of \$31.11 in comparison to \$31.95 for July, 2002. 2003 payments to date of \$864.40 reflect a 19.39 percent decrease over 2002 payments to date of \$1,072.33.

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## Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Recent visitors with Hyrum and Jean Richards were Hyrum's brother and wife, Nephia and Nancy Richards of High River, Alberta, Canada; son and family, and Mary Richards and daughters, Rachel, Brittny and My Shell of Casper, Wyoming; and son, John Richards of Dallas.

Charlene Hawkins spent three days with her sisters, Katy Roysdon and Cloa Parsons, in Grand Prairie last week.

Wanda Jean Palmer is here for the summer visiting with Faye Gray. They were in Weinert on Saturday visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Roysdon of Grapevine spent the weekend visiting Charlene Hawkins.

Faye Jetton was in Montana visiting and attending a Stafford family reunion. While there she attended the high school graduation services for her great great granddaughter, Brianna Malay. She visited a week with each one of her daughters, Sandra and Don Stafford Jackie Frantz, all of Great Falls, Montana. Faye and Jackie flew to Dallas to visit Jackie's family, Paul and Jana Maturi and Haley, Mollie and Jami, and Kelly Frantz.

Jackie Frantz returned home with Faye Jetton for a week's visit. They were in Paris the next week for the wedding of a grandson. In Dallas, Faye visited with daughter and family, Niki and Justin. Daughter, Jimmie Young also spent a week with Faye. Also visiting was great great granddaughter, Callie Sarah Smithson of Pitkin, Colo.

Faye Jetton and Dorothy Jetton visited Bill and Dorothy Jetton and family of Brownwood. Bill is Faye's son. While there they also visited Brad and Christi Jetton and sons Braden and newborn William Cade; Joe and Lori Reeves and Jatou Rett.

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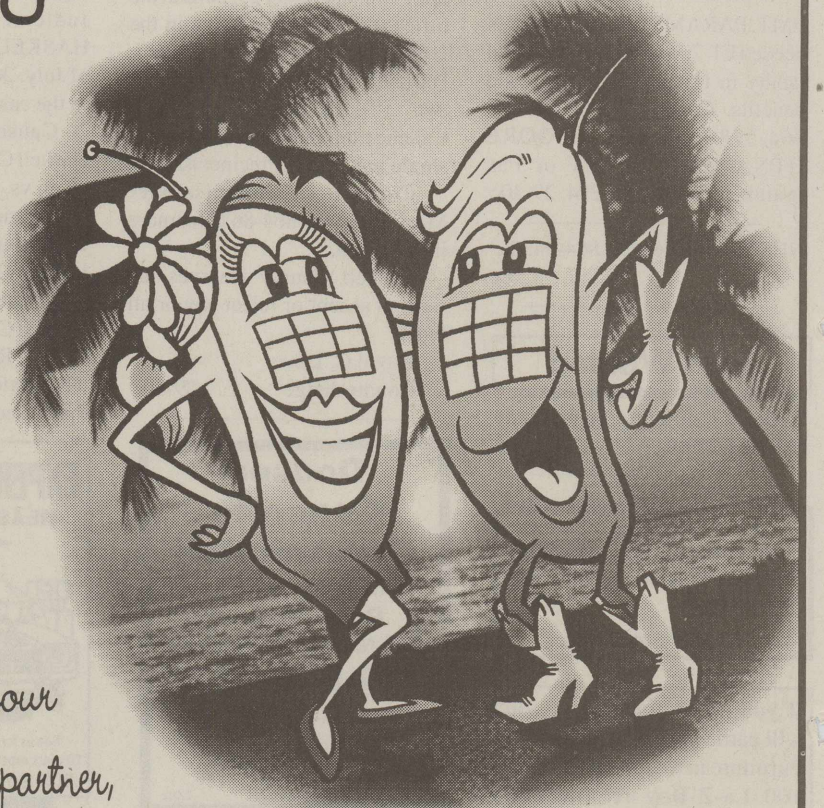
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