

Basketball games

HASKELL
JV-V G-B vs Merkel
 Fri., Jan. 12, 4 p.m.
 at Merkel
7th-8th G vs Anson
 Mon., Jan. 15, 4 p.m.
 at Anson
7th-8th B vs Anson
 Mon., Jan. 15, 5 p.m.
 at Rochester
JV-V G-B vs Hawley
 Tues., Jan. 16, 4 p.m.
 at Hawley

PAINT CREEK
VG-B vs Lueders-Avoca
 Fri., Jan. 12, 6:30 p.m.
 at Avoca
JH vs Rule
 Mon., Jan. 15, 5:30 p.m.
 at Paint Creek
VG-B vs Rule
 Tues., Jan. 16, 6:30 p.m.
 at Rule

RULE
JVG-B, VG-B vs Roby
 Fri., Jan. 12, 4 p.m.
 at Roby
JH G-B vs Paint Creek
 Mon., Jan. 15, 6 p.m.
 at Paint Creek
VG-B vs Paint Creek
 Tues., Jan. 16, 6:30 p.m.
 at Paint Creek

Calendar

Dinner theatre

The Noah Project-North will present their annual dinner theatre and silent auction Sat., Feb. 10 at 6 p.m. at the Haskell Civic Center. Money raised will be used to help victims of family violence in area counties. Entertainment will be provided by 'According to Philipians.' The meal will be a brisket dinner. To donate auction items, call 864-2551. Tickets are \$12.50 each for adults and \$6 for children 10 and younger.

PC Youth basketball

Paint Creek Youth basketball is now registering children for their basketball program. Any child Pre-K (4 years old) through sixth grade is eligible to play. Students do not have to attend Paint Creek school to participate. Cost is \$15. Enrollment forms are due Jan. 17. Call Gina Buerger at 325-773-5226, Susan Emert at 325-773-2829 or Stacey Medford at 940-864-3842.

Cookie orders

Haskell Girl Scout Troop #1081 will be taking orders for Girl Scout cookies Jan. 6-21. To place an order, see any Girl Scout or call Kim Hertel at 864-3157, Laura Rock 864-6159 or Leiza Morales at 256-0769.

Messiah's Market

East Side Baptist Church will host Messiah's Market for children ages 3-12 Sun., Jan. 21 from 9 to 10:45 a.m. Snacks, live animals and various booths will provide learning and hands on experiences. If your child needs a ride, call the church at 864-2738.

Medical fund

A medical fund to help Cindy Hearn with her medical expenses has been established at First National Bank in Haskell.

Equipment needed

The Haskell Booster Club is seeking donations from individuals and businesses to purchase shooting equipment for the JV and Varsity girls and boys basketball teams. Contact Peggy Adams, Jana English or Glenda Gayle Rutkowski.

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Haskell Jr. Livestock Show and Sale Jan. 11-13

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Jr. Livestock Show and Sale this weekend

by Wes Utley
 CEA-Ag/NR, Haskell Co.

The Haskell County Show Barn will be a lively place this

weekend, Jan. 11-13, when the annual Haskell County Junior

Livestock Show gets underway. Arrival time for entries of

steers, heifers, lambs and swine is Thurs., Jan. 11, by 4 p.m. Poultry and rabbits arrival time is Thurs., Jan. 11 by 5:30 p.m.

Show time schedules for Thurs., Jan. 11 for poultry and chickens is 7 p.m. and Fri., Jan. 12 beginning at 8 a.m. for lambs, followed by swine. Beginning at 2 p.m., steers will show, followed by heifers.

Judge for the steers and heifers will be Gary Clayton, Wise County Extension agent; Steve Bradshaw, AST of Paradise will judge the swine; Chris Beard, AST of Albany will judge the poultry and chickens; and Joel Lanier, AST of Seminole will judge the lambs.

Auctioneer for the sale, which begins at 11 a.m. Sat., Jan. 13 will be Rex Ford of Stamford, assisted by Mike Fouts of Sagerton.

The County Judge and County Commissioners will serve hamburgers both Friday and Saturday. The Haskell County Extension Education Association (EEA Club) will have a concession stand offering drinks, chips and snacks.

At last year's show, 92 participants entered their animals. The sale brought a total of \$79,785.

Steven Lerhmann is president of the Haskell County Junior Livestock Show this year.



2006 GRAND CHAMPION STEER—Amber Bingham had the winning steer entry in last year's Haskell County Jr. Livestock Show and Sale. Her sister, Macy Bingham, holds her awards. This year's show is this weekend.

City Council holds first meeting of the new year

The Haskell City Council met in a regular session, Mon., Jan. 8. Attending were Mayor Ken Lane, Mayor Pro-Tem Sue Medford, Councilmen Jimmy Roberts, Bob Smith and Lonnie Meredith, City Administrator, Brandon Anderson, City Secretary Louetta Wallace, and City employees, Thomas Rodriguez and Linda St. John.

Mayor Ken Lane called the meeting to order, and the invocation was given by Councilman Roberts.

A motion by Councilman Smith was approved for City Administrator Anderson to pursue and to make the decision on hiring a new city lawyer to replace Shane Hadaway, who is now serving as District Judge.

Cotton Conference set

by Wes Utley
 CEA-Ag/NR, Haskell Co.

The Rolling Plains Cotton Conference will be held Tues., Jan. 16 at the Bunkhouse Texas Cowboy Reunion Facility in Stamford. The meeting will begin with registration at 8 a.m.

Seven hours of CEUs will be offered, two laws and regs, three general, two IPM.

The schedule will be as follows: 8 a.m. Registration; 8:15 a.m. Crop Production Update, Todd Baughman; 9:15 a.m. Cattle Economics and Management, David Anderson; 10:15 a.m. Cotton Economics and Management, John Robinson; 11:15 a.m. Work Protection Standard Training, TDA; 12:15 p.m. Laws & Regulations Update, Todd Vineyard, Wes Utley, Terry Utley; 1:15 p.m. How to use ET and PET in Irrigated Crop Production, Leon New; and 2:15 p.m. Industry Update by sponsoring company representatives.

For more information or to register contact Wes Utley, Haskell County Extension Office at 940-864-2658.

Individuals with disabilities who require auxiliary aid or accommodations are asked to

contact the Jones County Extension office one week in advance of the program.

After discussion, a motion by Smith was approved to present proposed lane changes to TxDOT.

In the matter of developing an ordinance to keep big trucks off of city streets, no action was taken.

Discussion was held about the steps to take in cleaning up the creek through the city. Also discussed was the city's dog ordinance.

On a motion by Smith, the council approved the proclamation designating Jan. 21-27 as National Nurse and

Anesthetists Week.

In the City Administrator's report, Anderson said Ron Dennis, with the T.C.E.Q. has been here to inspect the landfill, and that the city is in process of correcting the few minor violations he found.

Anderson said the moving has started, and the city will complete the moving when the fence behind their new warehouse has been completed.

He spoke of the receipt of the city's old franchise contract with Atmos Gas Company, that will need to be looked at and signed

within the coming months.

Urging all council members to attend, Anderson announced that a Small Cities Problem Solving Clinic will be held on Jan. 26 in Eastland.

He said city employee evaluations are in the process of being built, and that as soon as the finished evaluation forms are approved by the council, he hopes to implement these every six months.

On a motion by Smith, the council approved the paying of all bills presented to the council at that date.



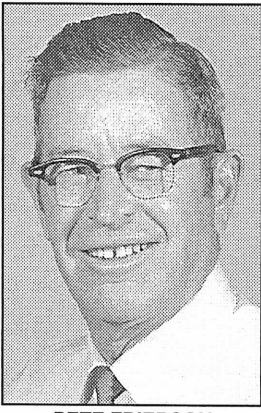
READY TO SERVE—These Haskell County and 39th District officials were sworn in Tues., Jan. 2 in the courtroom of the Haskell County Courthouse. Elected to their positions in the November General Election and receiving their oaths of office were, l-r, Lynn Dodson, Justice of the Peace;

Penny Anderson, District Clerk; Janis McDaniel, County Treasurer; Rhonda Moeller, County Clerk; Bobby Smith, Commissioner Precinct 4; Kris Fouts, County Attorney; Shane Hadaway, District Judge; Tiffen Mayfield, Commissioner Precinct 2; and David Davis, County Judge.

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Obituaries

Felix Elton 'Pete' Frierson



PETE FRIERSON
Graveside services for Felix Elton 'Pete' Frierson, 95, former Haskell resident, were held Fri., Jan. 5 at Willow Cemetery in

Haskell under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Frierson died Mon., Jan. 11 in Arlington.

Born April 7, 1911, he was the son of Felix and Lois Frierson of Haskell. He married Virginia Lee 'Jimmie' Frierson Matthews Nov. 16, 1941 in Haskell. She preceded him in death April 28, 1985. He served as an elder for the First Presbyterian Church in Haskell for many years. A veteran of World War II, he retired from a career in the U.S. Post Office as Postmaster at Rule. An avid golfer, he was one of the founding members of Haskell Country Club.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Ervin 'Dick'

Frierson and Monte Frierson; and sisters, Lois and Alice.

Survivors include his sons, Ronald and wife, Cynthia of Haskell, and Richard and wife, Peggy of Paris; daughter, LeAnne and husband, Jerry Williams of Grand Prairie; sisters, Stella and husband, Bill Steele, Velma Campbell, all of Haskell; sister-in-law, Marion Frierson of Haskell; grandchildren, Matt and wife, Amelia Frierson and Mandi Frierson and finance Mike McCarty, all of Paris, Laura Donnell and Danny Frierson, both of Azle; great grandchildren, Sidney, Mazy and Grant Frierson, and Jayden McCarty, all of Paris; and numerous nieces and nephews.

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James Barry 'Bob' Dulaney



BOB DULANEY

Funeral services for James Barry 'Bob' Dulaney, 80, of Haskell were held Fri., Jan. 5 at First Baptist Church in Haskell with Dusty Garison officiating. Dulaney died Tues., Jan. 2 in Haskell, leaving behind him a legacy of generosity, love and laughter.

Born April 8, 1926 in Haskell,

he was the youngest child of Varner and Ava Blair Dulaney. He lived in Haskell all of his life, his longest absence from there being when he served as a Sergeant in the Army during World War II, stationed in Okinawa and Korea. Like so many of his generations, this was the most defining period of his life. He looked back on that time with pride, even though he eventually lost his hearing because of it, saying that he would gladly give his ears again any day.

He had a deep-seated sense of contentment and good humor that served him well all of his life. He loved people, loved to laugh, and always had a story to tell. All those left to remember him, remember good times with him. He was an avid fisherman and hunter. His younger brothers-in-law, children, and grandchildren all have memories of learning from him how to bait a hook, cast a line, and wait ever so patiently and 'quietly' for the fish to bite.

His grandchildren remember him as being the only grown-up in the world who believed it was not only appropriate but possibly even necessary to occasionally eat a banana split for dinner. Throughout his life he gave generously of his time and resources to others. He was a Scoutmaster for 16 years, served as a Little League coach, helped charter the Kiwanis in Haskell, and was a deacon in the Christian Church. To him, money was just

money, and his right now was his most important asset. Wherever he was, he always had time to give. Time to stop to talk at any time of the day, time to work for free for a friend who needed him, time to teach his grandkids how to work a crossword puzzle, show them how large artillery was aimed during World War II, or read them the Sunday Comics.

As we mourn our husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, brother and friend, we remember his joy for life and what he meant to each of us. All the sum of his life, his trials and his triumphs, his joys and his sorrows, his generosity, his sense of humor, his love for his family, we carry this now in our hearts, all of this which adds up to a man who was greatly loved and will be greatly missed.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Wanda; brother, Desmond; brothers-in-law, Carrol Toliver, Bobby Toliver and Raymond Rhoades.

Survivors include wife of 57 years, Betty Jo Toliver Dulaney; his sons, Michael Dulaney of Haskell, and James Patrick Dulaney of The Woodlands; daughters-in-law, Jeanie and Susan; five grandchildren, Jim Dulaney, Wendy Egelston, Sarah Williams, Sean (Jon) Dulaney, and Devin Dulaney; two great grandchildren, Paige and Jack; nephew Brian Dulaney and wife, Claire; and 14 brothers and sisters-in-law.

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Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 909 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., Jan. 7, according to B.D. Rainey, reporter.

Packers, steady. Stockers \$2-5 higher. Feeders, steady.

Cows: fat, .42-.44; cutters, .40-.47; canners, .32-.38.

Bulls: bologna, .58-.64, feeders, .60-.72, utility, .48-.52.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.30-1.62; 300-400 lbs., 1.28-1.40; 400-500 lbs., 1.15-1.30; 500-600 lbs., 1.05-1.20; 600-700 lbs., .92-1.08; 700-800 lbs., .88-.97; 800-up lbs., .85-.94.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.20-1.40; 300-400 lbs., 1.10-1.24; 400-500 lbs., .98-1.15; 500-600 lbs., .95-1.07; 600-up lbs., .88-.95.

Bred cows young to middle aged 700-925; aged or small, 400-650.

Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, 850-1025; older, 650-725.

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Frances English Wilson



FRANCES WILSON

Funeral services for Frances English Wilson, 91, longtime resident of Merkel, were held Mon., Jan. 1 at Merkel United Methodist Church with Rev. Curtis Bentley officiating. Graveside services were in Haskell at Willow cemetery under the direction of Starbuck Funeral

Home of Merkel.

Mrs. Wilson died peacefully Fri., Dec. 29 at her home.

Born April 14, 1915 in Haskell, she was the daughter of Albert Day and Bessie Bray English.

A prominent business woman in Haskell, she moved to Merkel in 1948 to marry Woodrow Wilson who owned Wilson's Jewelry Store on Edwards Street. She was always very active. She was a member of the United Methodist Church, Merkel Garden Club, the Merkel Sewing Club, and Meals-on-Wheels. She was the Merkel Ombudsman for the Texas Department on Aging. She was District Director of Methodist Youth Fellowship and a local leader. While her two children were growing up, among other things, she was a Cub Scout leader and operated the

concession stand at Little League games. She worked in Abilene and was recognized for her work at the Abilene State School.

Frances was a loving, caring, Mother, Grandmother and GREAT-Grandmother who brought Great joy to her family and friends. She never met anyone who stayed a stranger for long. Her family and friends will deeply miss her, and know that she is with her Lord and Savior.

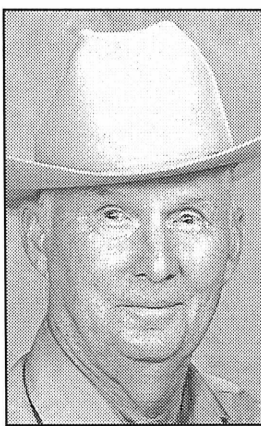
She was preceded in death by her husband, Woodrow Wilson.

Survivors include her children: Robert Wilson (currently residing in) Pittsford, New York; Suzie Anderson of Glen Rose; five grandchildren; and two great grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Merkel First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 426, Merkel, Texas 79536.

PD. NOTICE

Larnc Green



LARNCE GREEN

Funeral services for Larnc Green, 94, of Haskell were held Tues., Jan. 2 at Paint Creek

Baptist Church with Rev. Jimmy Griffith officiating. Burial was in Howard Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Mr. Green died Sat., Dec. 30 at Haskell Healthcare Center.

Born Dec. 7, 1912 in Haskell, he was the son of the late Cannie Green and Effie Cox Green. He married Bessie May McMillion in Haskell June 9, 1949. He was a farmer for 72 years and member of the Paint Creek Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Walter Green, Durvin Green, Roy Alvin Green; and sister, Zaleka Green Grand.

Survivors include his wife, Bessie Green of Haskell; four

sons, James Keith Edwards and wife, Linda of China Spring, Larry John Edwards of Haskell, Rickie Otis Green and wife, Barbara of Sanger, and Billie Frank Green and wife, Lura of Lake Dallas; grandchildren, Robbie Edwards, Brian Edwards, John Edwards, Estelle Allen, Scott Green, Joshua Green, Cody Green, and Dana Illy; great grandchildren, Wesley Edwards, Isabell Edwards, Josey Edwards, Angela Edwards, Robert Edwards, Amber Allen, L.J. Hammond, Will Green, Ben Green, Garcie Green, Joseph Green, Connor Green, and Baby Illy (due July 6, 2007); sister, Audrey English; brother, Aubrey Green; and a host of friends.

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Mable Evelyn Bland Robbins



MABLE ROBBINS

Graveside services for Mable Evelyn Bland Johnson Robbins, 96, of Lamesa were held Tues., Jan. 2 in Abilene at the Elmwood Memorial Park with Lowell Maxey officiating. Services were

under the direction of North's Funeral Home of Abilene.

Mrs. Robbins died Sun., Dec. 31 at her home.

Born Jan. 8, 1910 in Haskell, she was the daughter of Arthur Lee and Annie Elmore Bland. She married Cecil Hugh Johnson Sept. 29, 1934. Four years after his death, she married Richard Robbins Aug. 23, 1986. He preceded her in death in March of 2005. She was a lovely, faithful Christian and a longtime member of the Church of Christ in Haskell, Abilene and Lamesa. She was a fine Christian example who helped many people throughout her lifetime.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers and sisters, Odie Bland of Yoakum, Alfred Bland of Dallas, Ruby Melton of Haskell and Armitta Raley of

Tyler.

Survivors include her daughter, Anne Bell of Lamesa; son, M.L. Johnson and wife, Anne, of Fort Collins, Colorado; eight grandchildren, Jackie Wells, Brad Bell, Steve Bell, Jennifer Wolford, Jessica Sonderfer, Jill Cripe, Jason Johnson and Judith Bledsoe; great grandchildren, Rebekah and John Daniel Wells, Cooper, Justin, Britt, Taylor, Carley and Christopher Bell, Marc, Julia and Lydia Wolford, Jack Sonderfer, Caleb Cripe, Anna and Noah Johnson; and many nieces and nephews who loved and appreciated their 'Aunt Sis.'

Memorials may be made in lieu of flowers to Cherokee Children's Home, or Hospice DME of West Texas.

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Beason to be honored with open house

Lorene Ardell Beason of Rochester will be celebrating her 90th birthday with an open house reception held at her home at 606 4th Street, Rochester, on Jan. 14 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., hosted by her family.

Born in rural Comanche on Jan. 10, 1917, to pioneer parents, she moved to Haskell County in 1928 and graduated from Rochester High School in 1934.

She was married to farmer/businessman, Tolbert Beason for 50 years before his death in 1985.

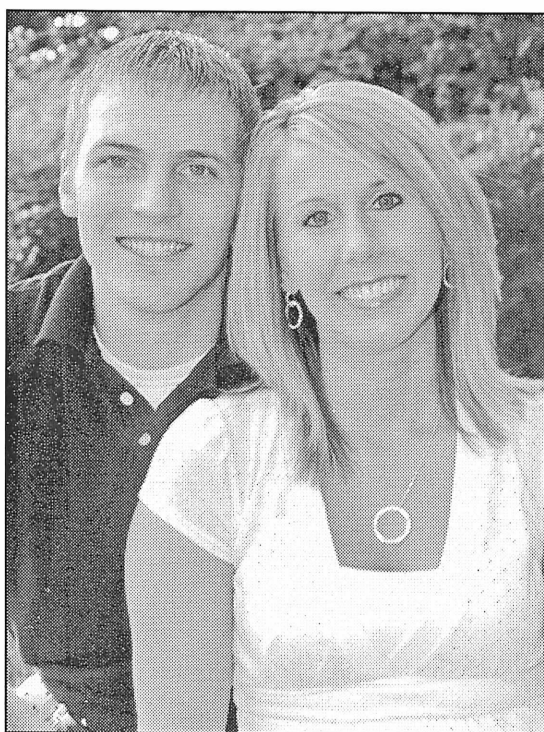
The couple had three children, one daughter and two sons. Daughter Noel Pittman lives in Earth, sons Jerry Beason in Mt. Pleasant, and Kenneth Beason in Rochester. She has ten

grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and 6 great-great grandchildren.

In 1969 she graduated from the Stamford School of Vocational Nursing, and 1975 received her Nursing Home Administrator's license.

Administrator at various nursing homes, including one in Haskell, she retired from her last nursing home in 1993. She owned and operated the Rochester Residential Care facility until selling it in 2000.

The family requests no gifts, please, only the honor of your presence. Friends who can't attend the reception may send her a card at P.O. Box 194, Rochester, Texas 79544.



AARON LYLE NEW - JULIE KAYE OWEN

EEA Club learns about collecting depression glass

The Haskell County Extension Education Association Club met Jan. 4 with fourteen members and guest, Kenzie McBroom attending. Plans were finalized for the Haskell County Jr. Livestock show concession stand, which is the club's major fund-raiser. The concession stand will be open Thursday night as well as Friday and Saturday.

Geraldine Baker presented the program entitled "Glass from the Past" and displayed several types of depression glass. She recommended the book "Collector's Encyclopedia of Depression Glass" if you are interested in identifying or collecting the various pieces. Baker stated that depression glass dates back to the late 20's to early

40's, and that it was manufactured "to bring cheer to dreary days." It was of relatively poor quality, which made it affordable to frugal shoppers, such as plates for 10¢. She stated the most troublesome aspect of the hobby is finding excellent to mint condition pieces because they were used on a daily basis. Buying from reputable dealers is of great importance to avoid being stung by pieces that are reproductions. Websites for additional information are justglass.com and glassshow.com.

Hostesses for the meeting were Geraldine Baker and Sue McGee. Next meeting will be held Feb. 8 at the Haskell County Extension Office.

Food Safety Course to be taught in Abilene

by Jane Rowan
CEA/FCS, Haskell County
A two-day Food Protection Management training for food service managers in the Big Country area will be held Feb. 26 and March 5 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Taylor County Extension in Abilene.

The training will allow food service establishments permitted by Texas Department of Health to meet their certification requirements if they pass the state exam.

Food service establishments permitted by Environmental Health Section of the City of Abilene are also invited to attend. The class covers twelve food safety concepts related to personal hygiene, cross contamination, time and temperature, sanitation, pest management, foodborne illness and related areas.

The course is sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension in Taylor, Nolan, and Jones counties; Environmental Section of the City of Abilene and Texas

Department of Health. Registration information is available by calling the Taylor County Extension Office at 325-672-6048 or the Jones County Extension Office at 325-823-2432.

Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Jacky and Sandra Sanders of Aledo, Rocky Sanders of Abilene and Lona Mae Phelps of Haskell went to Eager, Arizona to visit their sister and her family, Darwin and Ethel Slade over the Christmas holidays. They spent the first night in Ruidosa. After visiting the Slade's, they went to Phoenix, where they visited their aunt Melba Kim, cousins Pauline and June Pharr, and then they went back to Eager to visit with the Slades. They saw lots of snow in the mountains.

Owen, New to marry March 17

Mark and Pam Owen of Roysie City announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Julie Kaye Owens, to Aaron Lyle New of Haskell. The prospective groom is the son of Mike and Teresa New of Haskell.

Grandparents of the bride-elect are Mr. and Mrs. William Griffis of Hughes Spring and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Owen of Cooper.

Grandparents of the prospective groom are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. Don Flippin, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kimbrough, all of Haskell. Great grandmother is Mrs.

Crystella Raynes of Wichita Falls.

The bride-elect is a 2001 graduate of Harleton High School and a 2005 graduate of Hardin-Simmons University, where she received a Bachelor of Behavioral Science in Psychology. She is employed by the Betty Hardwick Center.

The prospective groom is a 2005 graduate of Haskell High School and is employed by Taylor County Sheriff's Department.

The couple plans to marry Sat., March 17 at South Pointe Church in Abilene.

Births

Michelle and Brody Moore of Haskell announce the birth of their son, Colt Jackson Moore born Dec. 1 at 2:56 a.m. at Abilene Regional Medical center weighing 6 lbs. 10 oz. He was 18 3/4 inches long.

After being life-flighted to Cooks Children's Medical Center on Dec. 3 and spending 18 days in the neonatal intensive care unit, he was discharged home on Dec. 22.

He was welcomed home by big sister, Madilyn.

Maternal grandparents are Teresa and Allen Chastain of Granbury. Paternal grandparents are Melvena and Delton Moore of Wilson.

Maternal great grandparents are Wanda and Billy Dean Price of Wetumka, Oklahoma and Dub Chastein of Weleetka, Oklahoma. Paternal great grandmothers are Lula Jo Stewart of Post and Noama Moore of Wilson.

Maternal great great grandmother is Margaret Burkes of Wetumka, Oklahoma.

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OPINION

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State Capital



HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

McCall backs Pitts in campaign to unseat current speaker

AUSTIN—As stated in this column a week ago, when the Texas Legislature convenes Jan. 9, the 150 members of the Texas House of Representatives will choose who among them will preside as speaker.

Last week, it seemed state Rep. Brian McCall, R-Plano, was going to give incumbent Speaker Tom Craddick, R-Midland, a run for his money. But Rep. Jim Pitts, R-Waxahachie, said he would challenge Craddick for the post. And then McCall, who claimed support from Republicans and Democrats, said he would support Pitts.

In effect, Pitts said he would preside over the House in a kinder, gentler fashion than Craddick, whose strongarm tactics have been described in many journals.

Pitts also told reporters he guaranteed he would win, but he declined when asked to produce a list of members who pledged to support him. But it is votes on the House floor, not pledge cards, that matter.

Whoever wins will need 76 votes—50 percent of 150 seats in the House, plus one.

Craddick, 63, was elected speaker in January 2003 after serving 34 years as a House member. He was re-elected speaker in 2005.

Pitts, an attorney by trade, turned 60 years old on Jan. 1. He has been a House member for the last seven sessions, having been elected in 1992.

Budget Board meeting is moved

Meanwhile, on a less political front, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and Speaker Craddick on Jan. 3 jointly announced the postponing and rescheduling of a meeting of the Legislative Budget Board.

They said: "We are firmly committed to delivering the nearly \$14 billion in local school property tax relief approved by the legislature last May and promised to the people of Texas for the next biennium.

"It is clear, however, that we need more time to discuss the options for setting a new spending limit to allow for this tax relief with members returning

to Austin next week."

Dewhurst and Craddick rescheduled the meeting to Jan. 11. At that meeting, they said, they plan to adopt the lowest spending limit recommended by the full LBB (Legislative Budget Board).

The 10-member board may meet during the legislative session to set a new spending limit as long as no budget action has been taken.

Dewhurst, Craddick and Pitts, who serves as chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, are members of the LBB.

Other members include Sen. Steve Ogden, R-College Station, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee; Rep. Jim Keffer, R-Eastland, chairman of the House Committee on Ways & Means; in addition to appointed members, Sen. John Whitmire, D-Houston; Sen. Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo; Sen. Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock; and Rep. Sylvester Turner, D-Houston; and Rep. Fred Hill, R-Richardson.

Former House speaker dies

Billy Clayton, 78, died in a Lubbock hospital Jan. 6.

Clayton, who served in the Texas Legislature for 20 years, was speaker of the Texas House of Representatives from 1975 to 1983.

He had been working as a state capital lobbyist for many years before his death.

Texas mourns President Ford

On Dec. 27, Gov. Rick Perry ordered all flags to be flown at half-staff in memory of former President Gerald R. Ford, who died Dec. 26.

State and national flags are to be flown at half-staff for 30 days. Perry declared Jan. 2 an official day of mourning, excusing most state offices from work that day.

Future library points toward SMU

The site selection committee for the George W. Bush presidential library is narrowing its focus to Southern Methodist University.

SMU seems to be in preparation. It is tearing down a condominium built on land recently acquired that could serve as a site for the library.



From The Inside Out

By Mary Kaigler

At the beginning of this new year, which, in July, will mark my tenth year of working with the Free Press, I'm mindful of just how many changes have occurred, and challenges have been met in both our personal life experience and in every aspect of existence in today's world. Always having had the wish to be involved some way in the "printed word," my time with the paper has continued to be an enjoyable, rewarding experience for me.

However, in the full spectrum of world events and conditions, in many ways for many, this decade might be termed as "the best of times and the worst of times."

In whatever way that we assess the opportunity we are given to experience life as a human being, we must realize that this is an exciting time to be a part of history, and that it must have been given to us for a reason. But, we wonder, was it just for this short season that we spend here?

At this start of a new year, I would like to share some thoughts expressed in a short interview by Paul Bradshaw with Rick Warren, successful author of "Purpose Driven Life," and pastor of Saddleback Church in California. It was sent to me during some times of wondering and unknown I've had during the past year. It seems to make sense in an often senseless world.

Warren says, "People ask me, what is the purpose of life? And I respond: In a nutshell, life is preparation for eternity. We were made to last forever.

"One day my heart is going to stop, and that will be the end of my body, but not the end of me. We were made by God and for

God, and until you figure that out, life isn't going to make sense." He adds that this life here is the warm-up act for us.

"Life is a series of problems. Either you are in one now, you're just coming out of one, or you're getting ready to go into another one," Warren said. "The reason for this is that God is more interested in your character than in your comfort."

He says that we can be reasonably happy here on earth, but that's not the goal of life. The goal is to grow in character. He describes his feelings about this past year, which he too has found to be one of his toughest, yet one of his greatest.

"I used to think that life was hills and valleys—you go through a dark time, then you go to the mountaintop, back and forth. I don't believe that anymore," he said. "Rather than life being hills and valleys, I believe that it's kind of like two rails on a railroad track, and at all times you have something good and something bad in your life."

Don't we, too, find this to be true? As Warren said, "No matter how good things are in your life, there is always something bad that needs to be worked on. And no matter how bad things are in your life, there is always something good you can thank God for."

For us, personally, as we come to the end of this year and all that it has brought to all of us, it seems more important than ever that we set our focus. If we focus on our problems, we are going into self-centeredness, which is "my problem, my issues, my pain."

From his experience through his wife's struggle with cancer, Warren said one of the easiest

ways to get rid of pain is to get your focus off yourself and onto God and others.

So, perhaps our resolutions list should include asking ourselves whether we are going to live for possessions, popularity, being driven by pressures, guilt, bitterness and materialism, or driven by God's purposes for our life.

Also, perhaps like Warren, each day when we get up in the morning this year, we need to sit on the side of our bed and say, "God, if I don't get anything else done today, I want to know You more and love You better."

How wonderful it is to know that we have a choice in how we will react to the days ahead as they come. What a gift it is that God didn't put me on earth just to fulfill a to-do list. The Giver of Life is more interested in what I am than what I do. In his interview, Warren says that's why we are called human beings, not human doings.

My thanks to all of you who have been so kind, caring, patient and generous to me over the last months, as I continue to gain the strength I have needed. These are treasures to me.

My wish for all as we go into this promising new year are these words borrowed from Rick Warren: "May we in Happy moments, Praise God, Difficult moments, Seek God, Quiet moments, Worship God, Painful moments, Trust God, Every moment, Thank God."

And to this I must add my wish that we who live in this great country of America will be thankful for the freedom we have to speak of such things.

Weather Whys

Sky color

Q: Can the sky appear to be more blue in certain parts of the country?

A: The answer is yes, says Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University. "The blue sky and white clouds we see are the result of light being scattered in all directions," he explains.

"We know that light is coming from the sun and this light contains all of the colors of the spectrum. The colors of light travel in waves of different lengths. We know that blue and violet travel at small wavelengths which get scattered by very small molecules across the sky, an effect called Rayleigh scattering, which makes the sky look blue. Humidity and other factors can cause the sky to appear more blue in some locations. Desert areas have less humidity and these areas often appear more blue than areas of the country that have high humidity."

Q: Then why does the sky often look gray during a hazy day?

A: On hazy days, large particles in the air make the sky appear gray or even white, McRoberts says. "These larger particles tend to scatter more wavelengths of light in the color spectrum," he adds.

"Hazy air has a lot of water molecules and these molecules can scatter light of all wavelengths, not just blue. In heavily polluted air, the sky may appear yellow or brown, and this is due to the particles being able to scatter the light to produce these colors. This phenomenon is called Mie scattering. In short, the way light is scattered determines the color of the sky."

Fences

Whoever sang don't fence me in might have been talking about your neighborhood. The fact is, many homes today have fences.

Fences may be made from a number of different materials, including wood, metal or masonry. Inspect your fence to make sure it doesn't lean excessively, fall over or have detached boards.

A masonry fence shouldn't have any cracks that are larger than 1/8 inch wide. A masonry fence should also have weep holes located in the lower part of the mortar. These weep holes allow moisture to escape from the wall. Periodically check to make sure weep holes are clear of debris.

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From Out of the Past

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10 Years Ago
January 9, 1997
 Haskell County elected officials receiving their oaths of office were Bobby Collins, Tax Assessor Collector; Bill Jones, County Attorney; Kim Bassett, Constable; Johnny Mills, Sheriff; Bill Hester, Commissioner Precinct 1; Kenny Thompson, Commissioner Precinct 3; and David Davis, County Judge.

The Haskell Maidens won the Haskell Holiday Hoop Classic tournament by defeating Hamlin in the final game 56-43.

20 Years Ago
January 8, 1987
 County and district officials were taking their oaths of office were County Clerk, Woodrow Frazier; Justice of the Peace, Buck Everett; County Judge, B.O. Roberson; District Judge, Charles Chapman; Commissioners, Ronnie Chapman and Bud Turnbow; District Clerk, Carolyn Reynolds and Justices of the Peace, Jane

Short of Rochester and Elaine Holcomb of Rule.

Charles Gibson has announced the purchase of Guess Cotton Co. from Mike and Steve Guess and has assumed management of the firm.

30 Years Ago
January 13, 1977
 Mrs. M.R. Benton of Sagerton visited Velda Carter.

Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Rodger of Goree visited Annie Boeller.

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Frierson of Bryan visited Mrs. Kretschmer.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Armstrong were their daughters, Pam Armstrong, Houston and Cindy Armstrong of Lake Jackson.

Mrs. Willie Massie of Sacramento, California visited in the home of Ivy Massie.

40 Years Ago
January 12, 1967
 Mrs. Ben Hess returned home from a visit in Midland with her sister, Ellen Reising and Mary

Hess.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Timberlake and daughter of Abilene visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Rainey.

Michael Eugene Overton received his Bachelor of Science Physical Education Degree from Texas A&M University.

50 Years Ago
January 10, 1957
 Mrs. N.J. Ivy of Stanton spent several days visiting in the home of her children in Haskell and Stamford.

Mrs. Carroll Aguilar of Kennedy visited in the home of her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Aguilar.

Mr. and Mrs. John Oates of Albany visited in the home of their mother, Mary Oates.

Billy Decker of Price, Utah visited in the home of his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Harcrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Nanny and daughters of Lovington, New Mexico were visitors in the home

of their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Holland and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Nanny.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Furrh returned from Falfurrias where Mrs. Furrh visited her daughter and family.

100 Years Ago
January 12, 1907
 Mr. Bryson arrived last week with his steam laundry outfit and will have it in operation a soon as a building can be completed.

J.M. Malone of Palo Pinto County has purchased land in the south part of Haskell County and plans to move his family here.

Rebecca Phillips is having a residence built in the southeast part of town.

J.M. McFatter, local building contractor, has announced plans for putting in a brick manufacturing plant here.

Anna Lydia Hughes, Docie Winn, Vera Neathery, O.P. Harlan, Sam Egger and Ollie Henderson attended a grand ball in Stamford.

Haskell Indians



HASKELL INDIANS: L-r: Coach Lolo Martinez, Travis Adams, Gregg Guzman, Raul Villarreal, Weston Rutkowski, Vicente Castillo, D.J. McCulloch, Samuel Bitner, Derek Agraz, A.J. Alvarez, James Haggard, John English and Coach Toby Villa. Front, Luke Terry, Jared Webb. Photo by Bill Blankenship

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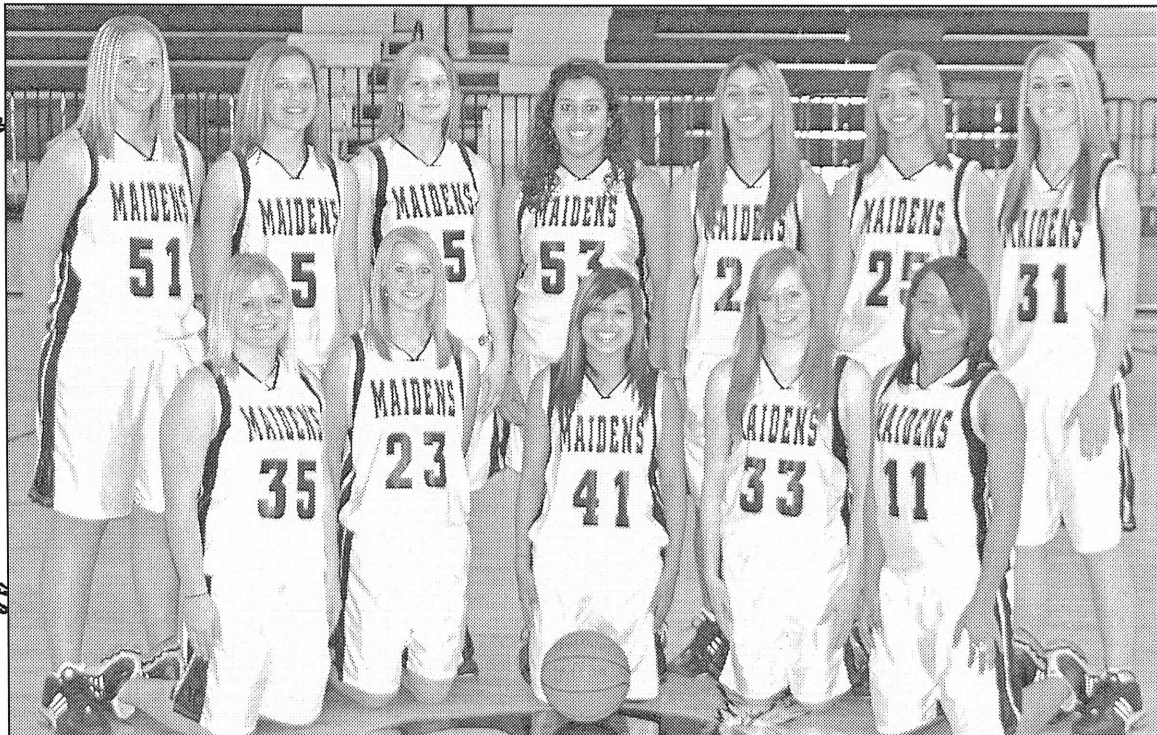
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Haskell Maidens



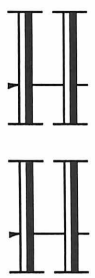
HASKELL MAIDENS: Front, l-r, Lauren Newton, Ashton Rutkowski, Haley Chavez, Hope Reid, Jasmine Thomas; back, Lacey Peiser, Chambray Bartley, Kimberly Medford, Sarah Garcia, Samantha Rodriguez, Molly Agraz, Hanna Wallace. Photo by Bill Blankenship

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USDA now accepting apps for rural loans, grants

Bryan Daniel, State Director, USDA Rural Development has announced that the agency is accepting applications for the Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant Program until Sept. 30, 2007.

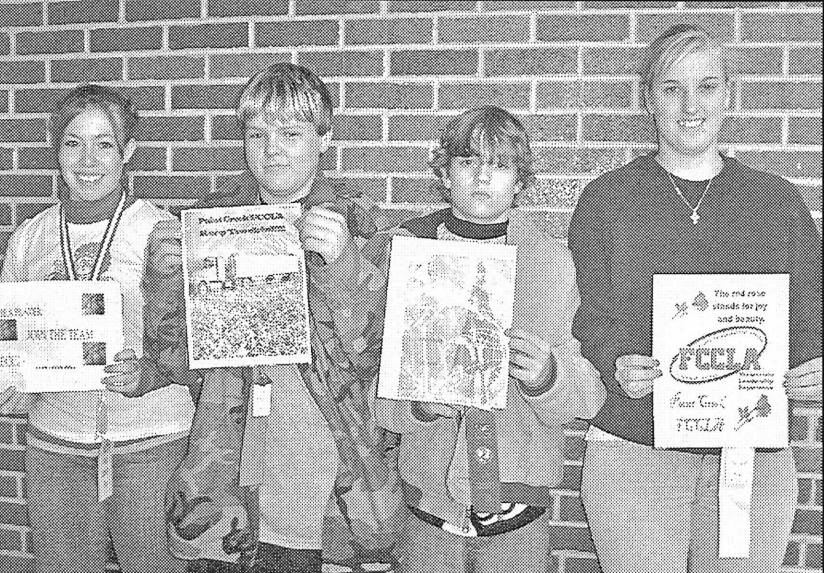
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For more information regarding the Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant Program, call Danny Torres, USDA Rural Development Business Programs Director at 254-742-9780 or visit our website at <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/txp>.

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BELL RINGERS—During the end of November and the three weeks of December these 4-H'ers rang the Salvation Army bell in front of Modern Way grocery store. Front row, l-r are Jacie Klose and Ryan Pace; middle row, Jasmine Klose, Candace Brister, Brooke Bullinger, Emmalee McCormick, Taylor Burson, Macy Bingham and Jane Rowan, County Agent-FCS; back row, Commissioner Bobby Don Smith, Payne Utley, Carmel Pace, Wes Utley, County Agent-Ag and Caitlin Johnson. Not pictured are Andrea Anderson, Carson Hadaway, Regan Hadaway, Kyle Kimbrough, Meagan Kimbrough and Tillie McGuire. The 4-H'ers raised \$1,153.65. All donations in the kettle are kept and dispersed in Haskell County by the Haskell County Ministerial Alliance, in different ways that are needed.



FAIR WINNERS—Paint Creek FCCLA chapter members recently participated in the King County Fair in Guthrie. These students placed in the Computer Generated Art category with their "FCCLA themed" art work entries. In the High School division, LaShell Walker, right, had a third place entry. In the Junior High division, l-r, Shana Armstrong placed third, Michael Buerger placed second, and Nathan Edwards placed first. Their chapter advisor is Darlene Hopkins.

USDA accepting Rural Business Opportunity Grant applications


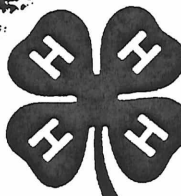

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2, Sarah Garcia 2, Kimberly Medford 1.
JV score: Haskell 25, Colorado City 22.

Coahoma 37, Haskell 30

Scoring for Haskell: Samantha Rodriguez 8, Kimberly Medford 6, Chambray Bartley 4, Hope Reid 2, Hanna Wallace 2, Molly Agraz 2, Jasmine Thomas 2.

JV score: Haskell 25, Coahoma 24.

Rule 48, Trent 46
Scoring for Rule: Ky. Scheets 14, Brannan 9, Ke. Scheets 8, Lisle 6, Dudensing 5, Trussell 2, Benavides 2, Messenger 2.
JV score: Rule 35, Trent 17.

Boys

Haskell 66, Colorado City 30
Scoring for Haskell: D.J. McCulloch 16, John English 15, Weston Rutkowski 9, Gregg Guzman 6, Derek Agraz 4, Travis Adams 3, Rodriguez 2, Vicente Castillo 2, A.J. Alvarez 1.

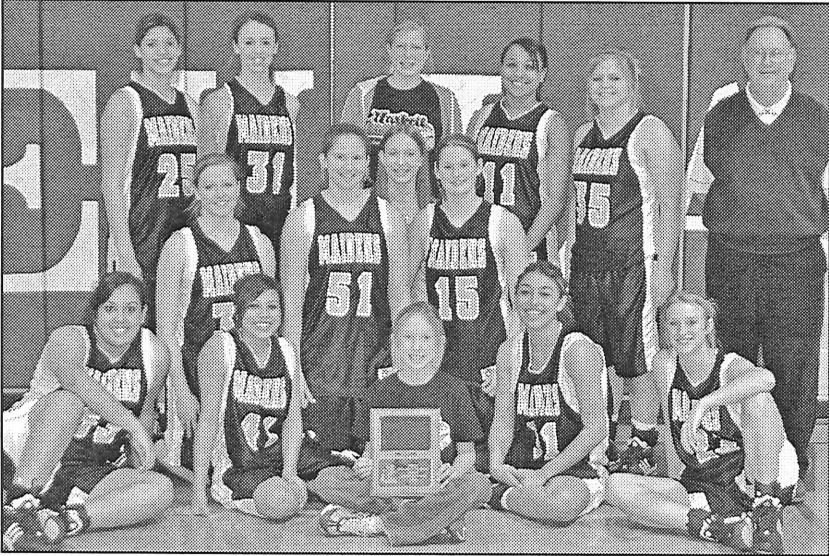
JV score: Haskell 24, Colorado City 16

Haskell 45, Coahoma 37
Scoring for Haskell: D.J. McCulloch 20, John English 8, Gregg Guzman 8, Travis Adams 5, Weston Rutkowski 2, Derek Agraz 2.

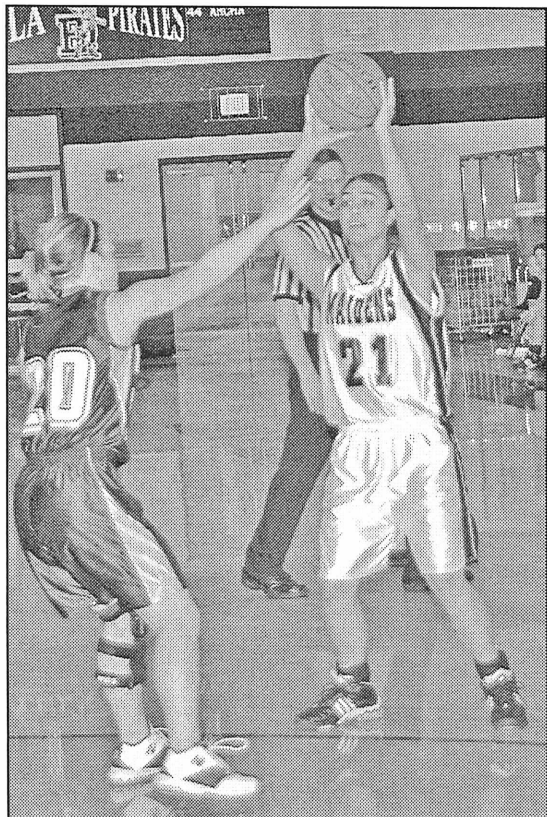
JV score: Haskell 35, Coahoma 34.

Crowell 62, Rule 48
JV score: Crowell 44, Rule 32

Rule 78, Trent 19
Scoring for Rule: Spitzer 32, Rincon 11, Wolfe 10, Simpson 10, Pace 6, Hall 4, Clark 4, Bishop 1.



CONSOLATION PRIZE WINNERS—Members of the Haskell Maidens basketball team, proudly posing with the trophy they won at the Eula Tournament, Dec. 28-30 are, top row, l-r, Molly Agraz, Hanna Wallace, manager Miranda Johnson, Jasmine Thomas, Lauren Newton, Coach David Middleton. Middle row, Hope Reid, Lacey Peiser, manager Lisa Jackson, Kimberly Medford. Bottom row, Sarah Garcia, Haley Chavez, manager Regan Hadaway holding trophy, Samantha Rodriguez and Ashton Rutkowski. Photo by Bill Blankenship



CONTROLLING THE BALL—Haskell Maiden, Samantha Rodriguez, helps the team win the consolation trophy in the Eula Tournament. Photo by Bill Blankenship



RISING UP TO SCORE—Haskell Indian, Weston Rutkowski, leaves the floor to place a basket in the Eula Tournament played Dec. 28-30. Photo by Bill Blankenship

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Painful shingles caused by dormant chickenpox virus

by Jane Rowan
CEA/FCS, Haskell County

The same virus that causes chickenpox causes shingles, a disease that affects nerves and causes pain and blisters in adults. After recovering from chickenpox, the virus does not leave your body, rather it continues to live in some nerve cells. For reasons that are not totally understood, the virus can

become active instead of remaining inactive and cause shingles.

Most adults live with the virus in their body and never get shingles. But about one in five people who have had chickenpox will get shingles later in life—usually after the age of 50.

Andrew B. Crocker, Extension Program Specialist, shares the following information

and tips for dealing with the shingles.

When the activated virus travels along the path of a nerve to the surface of the skin, a rash will appear. It usually shows up as a band on one side of the face or body. Right now there is no way of knowing who will get the disease. However, the risk of getting shingles increases as you age due to increased difficulty

fighting off infections with age.

While symptoms may vary, most people report some or all of the following:

- Burning, tingling or numbness of the skin
 - Feeling sick, such as chills, fever, upset stomach or headache
 - Fluid-filled blisters
 - Skin that is sensitive to touch
 - Mild itching to strong pain
- The rash usually happens on

one side of the body. A few days after the tingling or burning feeling on the skin, a red rash will come out on your body, face or neck. In a few days, the rash will turn into fluid-filled blisters. The blisters dry up and crust over within several days. Most cases of shingles last from 3 to 5 weeks.

It is important to see your health provider no later than three days after the rash starts. He or she needs to see the rash to confirm what you have and make a treatment plan.

Although there is no cure for shingles, early treatment with drugs that fight the virus may help. Medications are also available which may help lessen the pain. When started within 72 hours of getting the rash, antiviral medications may help shorten the length of the infection and lower the risk of other problems.

After the rash goes away, some people may be left with long lasting pain called post-herpetic neuralgia or PHN. The pain is felt in the same area where the rash had been. Those who have had PHN say the pain is sharp, throbbing or stabbing. Their skin is so sensitive they cannot bear to wear even soft, light clothing. The older you are when you get shingles, the greater your chance of developing PHN. This pain can last for weeks, months or even years. Usually PHN will get better over time. Talk to your health provider if you think you might have developed PHN—there are medicines that may help.

In 2006, the Food and Drug Administration approved a

shingles vaccine, Zostavax, for use in people 60 and older who have had chickenpox. Researchers found that giving older adults the vaccine reduced the expected number of shingles cases by half and, in people who still got the disease despite immunization, greatly reduced the severity and complications of shingles.

The shingles vaccine is only a preventive therapy and is not a treatment for those who already have shingles. While the vaccine is currently approved only for those 60 and older, you may still wish to discuss this option with your health provider.

In some cases, blisters can become infected, resulting in scarring of the skin. Your health provider may prescribe an antibiotic treatment. Keep the area clean and try not to scratch.

If blisters occur near or in the eye, lasting eye damage or blindness may result—see an eye doctor right away. Other problems may include hearing loss or a brief paralysis of the face. In a small number of cases, swelling of the brain may occur. It is very important to see your health provider as soon as possible—especially if you have blisters on your face.

Shingles is not contagious. You cannot catch shingles from someone who has it; but, you can catch chickenpox from someone with shingles. If you have never had chickenpox, try to stay away from anyone who has shingles.

If you have shingles, here are some things that may make you feel better:

- Make sure you get enough rest, avoid stress as much as you can and eat well-balanced meals
- Dip a washcloth in cool water and apply it to your blisters to ease the pain and help dry the blisters
- Do things that take your mind off your pain: watch TV, read books, talk with friends or work on a hobby
- Try to relax. Stress can make the pain worse. Listen to music that helps you relax

For more information, contact Jane Rowan—County Extension Agent/FCS at 940-864-2546 or drop by the Haskell County Extension Office located at 101 S. Ave. D in Haskell. You may also find information through the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke: <http://www.ninds.nih.gov/>.

Big tree

Texas Forest Service has recently confirmed the dimensions of the largest known American Elm (*Ulmus americana*) in Texas.

"This tree is just tremendous," said Jason Ellis, Texas Forest Service forester in Jacksonville, who officially measured the tree in November. "Its girth really makes the difference when you compare it to other trees of the same species."

The American Elm located in Jacksonville, will be added to the next edition of the Texas Big Tree Registry, a listing of the largest specimen of every tree species found in Texas.

Trees in the registry are compared by a 'tree index,' which combines trunk circumference in inches with total height in feet, plus one-quarter of the average crown spread in feet. The new champ has a circumference of 256 inches, a height of 80 feet, and a crown spread of 110 feet, giving it a tree index of 364 points. Only trees within five points of each other are listed as co-champions.

The purpose of the Big Tree Registry is to recognize the owners and nominators of the state's largest trees in order to stimulate a greater public appreciation of trees. It is published quarterly on the Texas Forest Service website, at <http://texasforests.tamu.edu/>.

Currently, the Texas Forest Service recognizes 291 native or naturalized tree species that qualify for the list.



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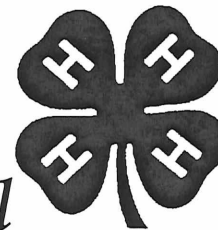
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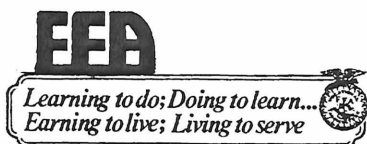


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Haskell School Menu

Jan. 15-19 Breakfast

Juice and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.

- Monday:** No school
- Tuesday:** Bean and cheese burrito
- Wednesday:** Cereal, animal crackers
- Thursday:** Cheese omelet, toast
- Friday:** Breakfast on a stick

Lunch

Milk and iced tea are served daily at the Secondary campus. Milk is served daily at the Elementary School. Secondary campus: choice of entree or baked potato with cheese and ham.

- Monday:** No school
- Tuesday:** Steak fingers, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot roll, applesauce
- Wednesday:** Chicken quesadillas, pinto beans, lettuce, tomatoes, chips, queso, pineapple tidbits
- Thursday:** Lasagna, mixed vegetables, fried okra, lettuce, tomatoes, bread stick, sunshine bars
- Friday:** Cheeseburger, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, french fries, orange wedges

Students visit Rotary Club



NAOMI BALDILLEZ

Naomi Baldillez is a senior student at Paint Creek High School. She is the daughter of Lupe Fernandez and stepdaughter of Alan Fernandez of Haskell.

She attends the Catholic church.

She is active in FCCLA and plays tennis. She enjoys reading writing, listening to music and hanging out with her friends.

Her special awards include winning second place in a Brackettville tournament and winning third place overall team in an Uvalde tournament.

She plans to attend American Commercial College in Abilene to be a medical assistant.

Paint Creek School Menu

Jan. 15-19 Breakfast

Juice and milk are served daily.

- Monday:** Toast or cereal
- Tuesday:** Biscuits, gravy
- Wednesday:** Pancakes
- Thursday:** Breakfast burritos
- Friday:** Toast or cereal

Lunch

Milk is served daily.
Monday: Hamburgers, lettuce, tomatoes, cheese, pickles, onions,

tater tots, fruit

Tuesday: Mac & cheese with ham, green beans, salad, rolls, jello

Wednesday: Enchilada casserole, refried beans, corn, salad, chocolate cake

Thursday: Vegetable beef soup, grilled cheese sandwiches, apple crisp

Friday: BBQ sandwiches, potato salad, ranch style beans, fruit cups

ECC Calendar and Menu

Mon., Jan. 15

Lunch—Ham and beans, garden salad, buttered corn, onion slice, cornbread, Devil's food cake, milk, tea, or coffee

Wed., Jan. 17

Bingo: 10:30
Lunch—Beef and mac, English peas, club spinach, garlic toast,

apricot cobbler, milk, tea, or coffee

Fri., Jan. 19

Lunch—Meatballs, gravy, mashed potatoes, blackeyed peas, green salad, gooey cake, milk, tea, or coffee

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

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LET FAITH CONSOLIDATE YOUR NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

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follow it for a few days before consigning it to limbo along with its predecessors. This year for a change, try simplifying it into one all-encompassing resolution: to attend the church of your choice regularly throughout the coming year. If you will do so and try to live by the lessons you learn there, this will be the only New Year's resolution you'll ever need.

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Christian Church
Richard Barr, minister
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m.; Thurs. 7 p.m.
107 N. Ave. F, Haskell

Church of God
Bruce Ray, pastor
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m.
714 North First East, Haskell

Trinity Lutheran Church
Ron Rennegarbe, pastor
Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30
Hwy 380 East, Haskell

Iglesia Bautista El Calvario
Art Flores, Interim pastor
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 5 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
607 S. 7th, Haskell

First United Methodist Church
Rev. Daniel Echols, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 10:50 a.m. 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
201 N. Ave. F, Haskell

First Assembly of God
Rev. J.C. Amburn
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
1500 N. Ave. E, Haskell

St. George Catholic Church
Father George Roney
Sat. Mass 7 p.m.; Sun. Morn. 9:00 a.m.
901 N. 16th, Haskell

Church of Christ
Jim Yates, minister
Sun. 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
510 N. Ave. E, Haskell

First Presbyterian Church
Kelly Pigott, interim pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.
306 N. Ave. E, Haskell

Trinity Baptist Church
Tony Grand, pastor
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 p.m.
114 S. Ave. D, Haskell

Hopewell Baptist Church
Rev. Tom Collins, pastor
Sun. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
908 N. Ave. A, Haskell

Greater Independent Baptist Church
Sun. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.
301 N. 3rd St., Haskell

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Bill and Renee Glass, pastors
Sun. 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. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m.
1600 N. Ave. B, Haskell

First Baptist Church
Greg Gasaway, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 10:55 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 p.m.
301 N. Ave. E, Haskell

Church in the Wind
C.C. Curran, pastor
Sun. fellowship 5 p.m. Church 5:30 p.m.
Tues. Bible Class 7:30 p.m.
203 S. 1st East, Haskell

Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church
Dr. Larry Nail, pastor
Sun. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
1600 N. First St., Haskell

First United Methodist Church
Rev. Daniel Echols, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
Rochester

—SAGERTON—

Sagerton Methodist Church
Terry O'Rear, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.
Sagerton

Faith Lutheran Church
Curtis Baker, pastor
Sun. 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.
Sagerton

—RULE—

First Baptist Church
Josh Stowe, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 5 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
1001 Union Ave., Rule

Primitive Baptist Church
Dale Turner Jr., pastor
First & Third Sundays 10 a.m.
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Church of Christ
John Greeson, minister
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 10:40 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
811 Union, Rule

First United Methodist Church
Terry O'Rear, pastor
Sun. Morn. Worship 8:30 a.m.
1000 Union Ave., Rule

Primera Iglesia Bautista
Alfa y Omegas
Manuel Marin, pastor
Sun. 10 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 5 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
500 Elm Street, Rule

Sweet Home Baptist Church
Larry Neal, pastor
Sun. Morn. 11 a.m., 5 p.m.; Wed. 5 p.m.
Gladstone Ave., Rule

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

—PAINT CREEK—

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

—O'BRIEN—

O'Brien Baptist Church
Jim Reid, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 5 p., 6 p, Wed. 6 p.m.
O'Brien

Students in the News

Julie Martinez Alvarez of Haskell received a Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies and Christi Blair Sorrells of Thompson of Haskell received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree during December graduation ceremonies at Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls.

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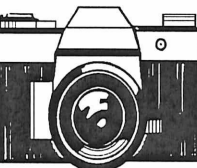
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The address of record for Tommie Hitt Collum and Alton L. Irvin, is, by and through their attorney of record, Sam J.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)

Dist/Div: Abilene
Contract 6157-24-001 for REST AREA TOTAL MAINTENANCE, OPERATION AND REPAIR in NOLAN County, etc. will be opened on February 9, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. at the State Office for an estimate of \$4,920,000.00.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

NPO: 22295
State Office: Constr./Maint. Division, 200 E. Riverside Dr., Austin, Texas 78704. Phone 512-416-2540.
Dist/Div Office(s): Abilene District, District Engineer, 4250 N. Clack, Abilene, Texas 79604-0150. Phone 325-676-6800.

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

We would like to express our deepest thanks to the community for all of your support, gifts, messages on care pages, etc. during Colt's hospitalization. Most of all, thanks for the prayers. We saw God's hand at work with such a miraculous healing of Colt and by holding us up during that time. We were overwhelmed with the outpouring of love that has been shown to our family. We are very proud to be a part of such a wonderful, caring community.
With much love,
Michelle, Brody, Madilyn and Colt Moore

The family of Darlene Swinney would like to thank each and every person for cards, visits, calls, donation of money, food and the prayers for our family. This is a great community we live in and we feel truly blessed. Having such good friends has made this very difficult time a little easier. May God bless each and everyone of you.
Thank you,
Bill Swinney
Bobby and Shelia Cothron
Shelby and Preston Morrор
Joey, Tamara, Tristen and Will Swinney

I would like to thank family and friends who donated to Haskell Elementary School's Jump Rope for Heart event. Thanks to you and your great support, we collected more money this year than ever before and are helping out a wonderful, worthwhile cause. I would also like to thank Dairy Queen, Sonic, Movie Gallery, Video Mania, Wal-Mart and Pizza Hut for their contributions and continued support.
Sincerely, Tiffany Thomas
Jump Rope for Heart coordinator/P.E. teacher

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111 Haskell students raise \$7,243.89 for Jump Rope for Heart

Haskell Elementary School second, third, fourth and fifth graders raised \$7,243.89 from friends and family members who sponsored them in the school's Jump Rope For Heart event held Nov. 16. 165 students participated with 111 collecting monetary donations this year.

"In the twelve years I have been doing this event, we have never collected this much money so I am extremely proud of them all," said Tiffany Thomas, Jump Rope For Heart coordinator/P.E. teacher. "I was especially impressed with the second graders. This was their first year to participate and they collected \$2,770 by themselves."

A joint project of the American Heart Association (AHA) and the Texas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (TAHPERD), Jump Rope For Heart involves elementary students in the fight against heart diseases and stroke which are America's number one and three killers. Participants also learn the benefits of physical activity and community service.

This popular event has been

conducted in schools across the country for two decades. Students jump and collect donations from sponsors then prizes are awarded according to the amount of money raised.

Along with prizes awarded by the American Heart Association (AHA), the top money collectors of each grade received prizes from local merchants. The top collector for second grade was Lupe Olvera with \$205. The top collector for third grade was Morgan Nava-Munoz with \$170.50. For the fourth grade, Dakota Baumbach collected the most money donations with \$331. Gus Estrada received top collector honors for fifth grade with his \$358 contribution.

The American Heart Association (AHA) spends money for research support, public and professional education and community programs. With more than 4 million volunteers, the American Heart Association is the largest voluntary health organization fighting heart disease and stroke, which annually kills more than 959,000 Americans.

Sons of Hermann officers to be installed

Grand Vice President-Marketing, Howard Saafthoff, of the Order of Sons of Hermann in Texas, assisted by Lisa Jost, a member of the Grand Lodge Fraternal Activities Committee, will install officers from seven Abilene area Hermann Sons lodges at 10:00 a.m. Sat., Jan. 13, at the Briarstone Manor in Abilene.

In addition to the host lodge, Haskell Lodge No. 241, leadership teams will be installed from lodges in Lubbock, Odessa, Abilene, Rowena, Old Glory,

Haskell and Roscoe.

A not-for-profit fraternal insurance society, Hermann Sons is widely known for its volunteerism, offering members a variety of insurance plans, annuity and IRA products, plus other services.

The Grand Lodge was formed in 1890, after the first Hermann Sons Lodge was organized in San Antonio by two German immigrants from New York. It now has more than 76,000 members who belong to one of 143 local lodges across Texas.

City proclaims Jan. 21-27 Nurses Anesthetists Week

On Mon., Jan. 8, Haskell mayor, Ken Lane, proclaimed the week of Jan. 21-27 as National Nurse Anesthetists Week, and urges each citizen of the community to acknowledge and

support the oldest recognized group of advanced practice registered nursing specialists that have provided high-quality anesthesia care for over 110 years.

Calendar

Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., Jan. 20 from 10 a.m. til 11:30 a.m. at 206 S. 2nd (building east of Civic Center) in Haskell. Volunteers and boxes are needed.

CRCGF available

The Seven County Community Resource Coordination Group (Family) is a local interagency group composed of representatives from public and private agencies that develop service plans for children, adolescents and adults whose needs can be met only through interagency coordination and cooperation. CRCGF enables persons at risk to have the support needed to allow them to develop into full and productive members of the community. CRCGF's of Texas provide a mechanism that helps local public and private agencies and organizations work together to meet the needs of those individuals for whom no one agency can meet. CRCGF's make it more likely for children, youth, adults and their families to get the help they need within their community before a situation becomes a crisis. To learn more about the services provided by your local CRCGF contact Lonnie Rolls at 940-864-8910.

Scout registration

Registration for those wishing to join Cub Scouts or Boy Scouts may be done at any time by calling Kay Smith at 864-3344 or Patrick Pace at 997-2216.

Cookbook

The Haskell County Christmas Cookbook is available at local merchants or at the office of Judge David Davis at the courthouse. Proceeds of the sale benefits the Committee to Help Haskell County.

Events calendar

The Haskell Chamber of Commerce is compiling a Community Events Calendar for 2007. To include your school, church, club or government dates, call Ruby Turner at 256-1734.

GED classes

Free GED classes will begin Jan. 8 and be held on Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:45 to 6:45 p.m. this semester in Room 19 of the Haskell Elementary sixth grade building. Individualized and small group instruction will be available. Instructors are Paula Everett and Debbie Miller.



EARLY MORNING ALARM—Haskell Fire Department members responded to a house fire at 900 N. 4th around 2 a.m. Thurs., Jan. 4. The residence of Jessie Guzman Jr. sustained lots of damage from the flames that were showing through roof upon arrival of fire apparatus. Cause of the fire is under investigation.

Haskell Co. Gin Report

Jan. 8, 2006
Haskell

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| Haskell County Gin | 1,500 |
| Haskell Co-op Gin | 978 |
| O'Brien | |
| O'Brien Co-op Gin | 16,550 |
| Rule | |
| Rule Co-op Gin | 2,441 |
| Weinert | |
| Griff's Gin | 840 |
| Weinert Gin | 1,850 |
| Total bales | 24,159 |

Attend the Haskell Co. Junior Livestock Show and Sale Jan. 11-13

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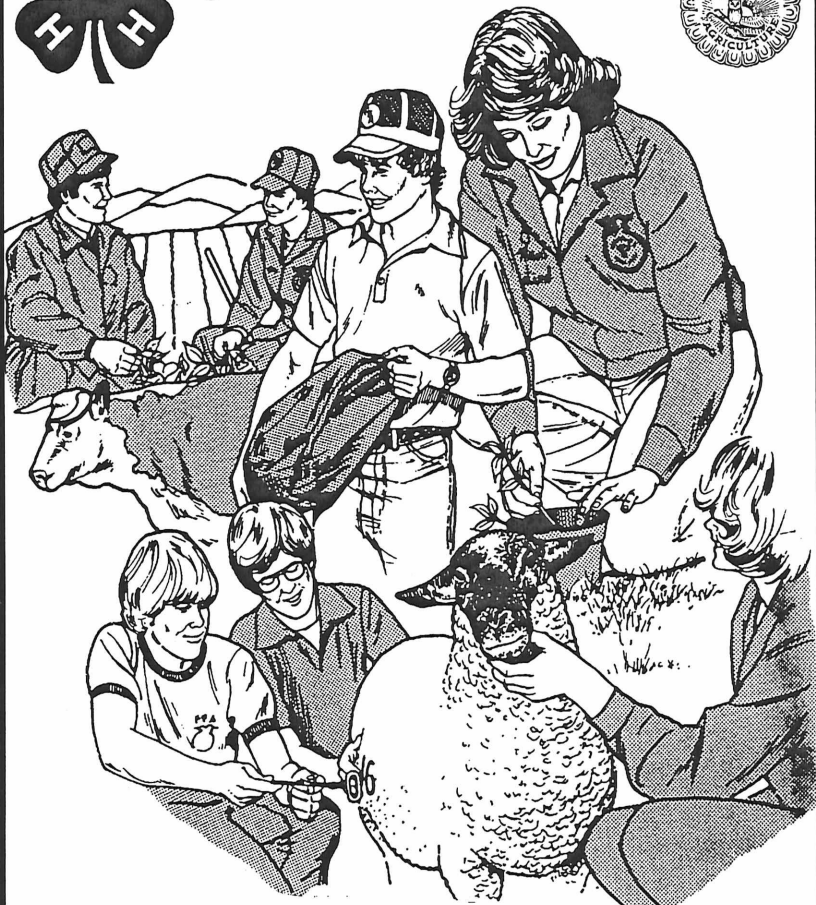
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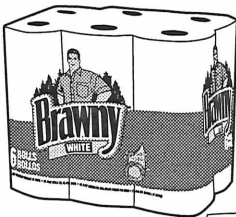


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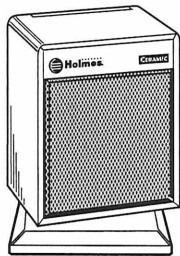
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