Good luck, Rule Bobcats!

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Basketball games

Haskell

7GB, 8GB & 9B vs. Olney Girls Here, Boys There Mon., Nov. 29, 5:00 p.m. JV-GB, V-GB vs Munday Tues., Nov. 30, 4 p.m. at Munday

Paint Creek vs Harrold Tues., Nov. 30, 6:30 p.m. at Harrold

Paint Creek JH Girls vs. Rochester Mon., Nov. 29, 5:30 p.m. at Goree

Calendar

Blood drive

The Haskell Rotary Club will sponsor a blood drive Tues., Nov. 30 from 1 to 6 p.m. at the old Sears store building on the east side of the square in Haskell.

Basketball tourney

The Haskell Indian Booster Club will host a high school basketball tournament Dec. 2-4. Games will begin at 3:30 each day. Everyone is encouraged to come to the tournament and support the athletes.

Partners for Children

Partners for Children will hold a parent involvement meeting Tues., Nov. 30 at 7 p.m. at the Elementary Cafeteria. 'Making Memories Come Alive' will use scrapbooking ideas and techniques to create a family history. Bring your albums and pictures and use this time to organize and/ or create new pages for your Yamily pictures. Babysitting will be available.

Rule Christmas lighting

Christmas lighting for homes and yards in Rule will be judged Dec. 16. The contest is sponsored by the Rule Chamber of Com-

Thanksgiving holidays

The Haskell Free Press office will close at noon Wed., Nov. 24 in observance of Thanksgiving. Regular hours will resume Mon., Nov. 29.

TASP test

The TASP test will be given at 8:30 a.m. Sat., Dec. 4 at Haskell High School auditorium. Seating is limited. Cost is \$29. To register contact Christye Gannaway, high school counselor, 864-8123 during school hours.

Financial aid

A college financial aid meeting will be held Mon., Nov. 29 at 6:30 m. in the Haskell High School Library. Corky Swanson, financial advisor, will answer questions about college financial aid. Senior parents are encouraged to attend. For more information call Christye Gannaway, high school counselor, 864-8123 between 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

Social Security

A representative from the Social Security Administration will be in Haskell at the old City Hall annex, 305 N. 1st, Thurs., Dec. 2 at 9:30 a.m.

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CITY CLEAN UP-Continuing with the City's project to clear properties of obsolete buildings and debris, City crews in Haskell last

Thursday afternoon tore down a house and cleared property located on N. 9th St., west of Ave. H.

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander delivered \$244.7 million in monthly sales tax payments to 1.098 Texas cities and 118 counties, a 0.4 percent decrease compared to the \$245.8 million paid in November 1998. Year-todate, payments to cities and counties are running 5.1 percent ahead of last year.

November's sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected by monthly tax filers in September and by quarterly filers on July, reported to the Comptroller in

"November sales tax rebates are lower for some Texas cities, compared to one year ago, but yearto-date sales tax rebates for most Texas cities are running higher than last year. The Texas economy remains strong," Comptroller Rylander said.

Comptroller Rylander delivered November sales tax rebates of \$227.4 million to Texas cities, down 0.1 percent compared to last

August and September sales and Goodfellows project to help needy with Christmas

The Haskell Goodfellows will distribute Christmas packages to needy families again this year. The project will be conducted as it has in previous years and a sincere effort will be made to provide a Christmas package of useful items to those who might not otherwise have provisions for Christmas.

On Dec. 4 and 11 the names of those who qualify for the Goodfellows project may be placed by application at the Haskell City Hall between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m. Packages will be delivered Dec. 24 to those who have been selected to receive them.

This year's Goodfellows project will be a joint effort between the

Haskell Lions Club, the Haskell County Child Welfare Board and the Haskell Volunteer Fire Department. The Lions Club will take care of the food portion of the project; the Child Welfare Board will handle the toys and clothes and the Fire Department will handle

If you would like to help with this project by donating food, toys, money or clothes, contact any member of the Haskell Lions Club for more information. All cash donations may be made at the Haskell Free Press. Food, toys and clothes may be taken to the Haskell Fire Department station.

Christmas parade set Dec. 4

A bright and colorful Old Fashioned Christmas season will officially begin in Haskell Sat., Dec. 4, with a Christmas Parade at 5:00 p.m. and the lighting of the Courthouse Square.

Just as merchants did during the Christmas season in times past, this year merchants are being asked to stay open later on Dec. 4, and even serve refreshments to late shoppers if they care to.

Sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, the parade this year will feature a section for elementary children wearing costumes. Prizes will be given for the best costuming and the most original

costume. Children may walk or ride their bicycles along the parade

One of the highlights of the parade will be the performance of the Haskell High School Indian

All merchants and organizations are invited to have a float or participate in the Old Fashioned Christmas parade in some way.

Questions about the parade may be directed to the Chamber of Commerce office at 940-864-2477. or to Loutina White at 940-864-3507 or Kristi Gibson at 915-773-

November. Texas counties received November sales tax rebates of \$17.2 million, down 3.7 percent compared to one year ago.

Haskell County had a 20.71 percent decrease for November, 1999 of \$35,429,74 in comparison to \$44,688.40 for November, 1998. 1999 payments to date of \$300,601.04 reflect a 10.06 percent decrease over 1998 payments to

date of \$334,245.95. The City of Haskell had a 19.93 percent decrease for November, 1999 of \$31,951.65 in comparison to \$39,906.56 for November, 1998. 1999 payments to date of \$278,324.33 reflect a 9.37 percent decrease over 1998 payments to date of \$307,118.10.

O'Brien had a 32.56 percent decrease for November, 1999 of \$236.93 in comparison to \$351.34 for November, 1998. 1999 payments to date of \$1,017.04 reflect a 39.94 percent decrease over

1998 payments to date of \$1,693.46.

Rochester had a 17.79 percent decrease for November, 1999 of \$948.15 in comparison to \$1,153.39 for November, 1998. 1999 payments to date of \$6,184.33 reflect a 24.63 percent decrease over 1998 payments to date of \$8,205.55.

Rule had a 36.00 percent decrease for November, 1999 of \$1,770.62 in comparison to \$2,766.92 for November, 1998. 1999 payments to date of \$12,981.00 reflect a 15.11 percent decrease over 1998 payments to date of \$15,292.01.

Weinert had a 2.39 percent increase for November, 1999 of \$522.39 in comparison to \$510.19 for November, 1998. 1999 payments to date of \$2,094.34 reflect a 8.13 percent increase over 1998 payments to date of

Bobcats advance to play-offs

Cody Tibbets and Brian Lehrmann each scored three touchdowns to lead the Rule Bobcats past the McLean Tigers in six-man area playoff action Friday night in Chillicothe.

Jody Harvey tallied twice in the game and Josh Smith threw four touchdown passes as the Bobcats advanced to the quarterfinals for the first time in their six-man football history. Smith also kicked four extra-point conversions and Joe Sotelo added a late run for another

Tibbets got his touchdowns on runs of 26, 41 and 2 yards while Lehrmann caught three passes from Smith of 41, 48 and 39 yards for his three scores and total of 245 yards in pass receptions. Harvey scored his first touchdown on an 8yard pass from Smith and his second on a 41-yard run, which was the final score of the night.

Sotelo's rare touchdown came earlier in the fourth quarter on a run of 24 yards. The other point was scored on an extra point pass from Lehrmann to Jeremy Hertel.

The Bobcats, who played solid defense throughout the game, were led by Tibbets with 15 tackles, Lehrmann and Harvey with 12 each, Sotelo with 9, Smith 6, Grant Hisey 5 and Justin Coker 2. Sotelo's stop of a McLean runningback on the Rule 2 yard line on fourth down, goal to go, was a crucial point in the game.

McLean's touchdowns came on a first quarter 28-yard run, a second quarter 20-yard pass, a third quarter 5-yard run and a fourth quarter 50yard pass.

Pep rally

A pep rally will be held in downtown Rule, under the red light, Fri., Nov. 26 at 2:30 p.m. The pep rally will be moved to the gym if the weather is bad. The Rule Bobcats will play the Grandfalls-Royalty Cowboys for the quarter-final championship. The game starts at 7:30 p.m. in Coahoma, east of Big Spring.



VISIT OMNIMAX-Haskell Elementary second grade students of teachers Earlene Griffith, Michelle Dunnam, and Rhonda Hanson, began a journey Back to the Cretaceous at Lubbock Omnimax, Wed., Nov. 3. After lunch in the cafe, and viewing the filmed adventure into the Cretaceous Time of the dinosauers, the students decided that T-Rex was the awesome outstanding favorite actor. A grant from the Haskell Educational Foundation made this adventure for writing a reality for the students.



YOUNGSTERS SPEAK OUT-Haskell 4th Graders, I-r, Levi Hodge, Amanda Reynolds, Bryan Richardson, teacher Renee McClelland and Tara Myers, work at the computer on which they sent e-mail that was published in the national newspaper, Weekly Reader.

Haskell 4th graders published in national Weekly Reader

Sparked by an article they read carlier this year in Weekly Reader, a national newspaper, about the pros and cons of banning backpacks in schools, the debate has been going strong in Renee McClellan's Haskell Elementary 4th grade class

Their lively discussion of the issue encouraged the students to write the following e-mail to the

Half of our class thinks that backpacks should be banned completely from both elementary and high school. The other half of our class thinks that backpacks should not be banned at all, because students can bring weapons to school in other ways besides their back packs.

(signed) Mrs. McClellan's 4th Grade Class.

Students were proud to see their

class name and their e-mail message printed in the Oct. 15 issue of Weekly Reader.

Renee McClellan said of her class, "I'm proud that the students were so interested in a topic to have a lively discussion in class. Their desire to e-mail Weekly Reader is an added benefit to that discussion. It shows the kids that they really do have a voice in this world of

Ruby Turner named to head Council of Governments

Ruby Turner of Haskell was position, after serving as vicenamed president of the West Central president the last two years. She is Texas Council of Governments in her third year as a member of the during the annual meeting held Council's Executive Committee, Nov. 9 at the Abilene Civic The WCTCOG is composed of Center.

She will be the first woman to hold that office in the 33 year history of the organization.

Turner succeeds Jones County Judge Brad Rowland in the

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representatives from 19 Texas counties, 53 cities and 55 school districts within the counties.

The stated purpose of the WCTCOG is to encourage and assist local units of governments to join and cooperate with one another to improve the health, safety, and general welfare of their citizens, and to plan for the future development of the area embraced by the communities within the area.

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As a current member of the Haskell City Council, Turner serves on the Ambulance Board, the Parks Board and as Mayor Pro Tem.

She is a member of the Haskell First Baptist Church, the Rotary Club and Progressive Study Club.

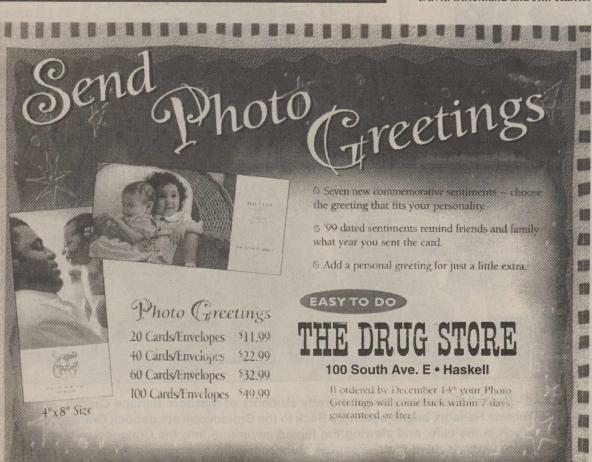
She and her husband, Abe Turner, operate the Bevers House Bed and Breakfast in Haskell. The couple has one son, Mike, of Arlington, and two daughters, Sharon of College Station and April, who lives in Montgomery.

Ryder Cup results

Haskell golfers completed their Ryder Cup matches defeating Anson 19 1/2 pts. to 4 1/2 pts. Haskell also defeated Munday 14 1/2 pts. to 9 1/2 pts. Their loss was to Stamford 13 1/2 pts. to 10 1/2 pts.

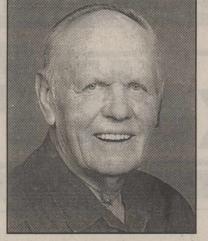
Captains were Kyle Markey and Jerry Harris. Team members were David Strickland, Jim Harris, Donnie Skiles, Glenn Pogue, Kevin King Mathis, Pat Spear, Albert Enriquez, Zolly Lambert, Tim Johnson, Lance Hanson, Tom Bassett, Bill Perry, Santos Baiza, Johnny Josselet and Kirk Markey.

Next year's captains will be David Strickland and Jim Harris.



Obituaries

John Larned



JOHN LARNED

Funeral services for John Larned, 77, of Haskell were held Thurs., Nov. 18 at First Baptist Church in Haskell with Dr. Troy Culpepper and Truett Kuenstler officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery.

Mr. Larned died Mon., Nov. 15 at an Abilene care home.

Born Aug. 3, 1922 in Haskell Co., he was a graduate of Paint Creek High School. He married Florence Evelyn Turnbow Sept. 27, 1941. He was a World War II veteran serving four years in the U. S. Air Force. He was a longtime building contractor, farmer and rancher. He was a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife of 58 years, Florence Larned; two daughters, Betty Sue Wolfe and husband. Erby, of Potosi and Shirley Story of Wichita Falls; two sons. Johney Larned Jr. and wife, Derinda, of New Braunfels and Tim Larned of Haskell; two sisters. Toby Davis Briscoe and Francis 'Sis' Jarman, both of Pasadena; three brothers, W. D. Larned and Norval Joe Larned. both of Haskell and Don Larned of Pasadena; six grandchildren and four

great-grandchildren. Pallbearers were J. W. Wallace, David Larned, Donald Griffis, David Dodson, Lee Andress, Leonard Menchaca, Eddie Medford and Randy Waggoner.

Honorary pallbearers were Mather Larned and Jack Harvey.

Church Christiana Hundred, Wilmington, Delaware, Rector of Trinity Church, Toledo. He was also Rector of Christ

Church, Short Hills, N.J. from 1979-89. While in Short Hills, he was granted the degree of Doctor of Ministry

from Drew University, Madison, N.J. After retirement in 1990, he served various Episcopal Churches in North

Carolina, including St. Thomas, Sanford, St.

He married Sally Jean Andrews of Fairview, Penn., in

Survivors include his wife; two sons, David B. Ear-

Survivors include one son, Elmer Adams and his wife,

Linda, of Weinert; three daughters, Patricia Swaner and

her husband, Eddie, of Abilene, Linda Moody and her

husband, Scott, of Kingsville and Donna McBay of

Pallbearers were Micheal Adams, Brian Adams, Kevin

Memorials may be made to Weinert Cemetery Assn.,

Leach, Kevin Swaner, Keith Swaner, Kyle Swaner, Chris

Howeth, Damon Sicore, Jason Sicore and Dwight Moody.

c/oTiffen Mayfield, P.O. Box 188, Weinert, Texas 76388.

tory Medal. A lifelong resident of Haskell County, he was

Survivors include his wife, Ruby, of Rule; three sons, Jerry R. Barbee of Minden, Nevada, Donny Barbee of

Big Spring, and Larry Barbee of Haskell; one daughter,

Jami Anders of Abilene; three brothers, Otho Barbee or

Amarillo, C. B. Barbee of Bronte, and Ernest Barbee of

Canton; one sister, Iona Sellers of Bronte; and nine grand-

a member of the Church of Christ in Rule.

Abilene; 10 grandchildren and 17 great grandchildren.

nest III of San Francisco, Calif. and Scott Andrews Ear-

nest of Breckenridge, Colo.

Bartholomew, Pittsboro, and Christ Church, Raleigh.

Rev. David Bush Earnest Jr.

Memorial services for Rev. David Bush Earnest Jr., 71, of Pittsboro, N.C. were held Sat., Nov. 13 at St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church in Pittsboro. Mr. Earnest died Wed., Nov. 10.

Born Nov. 28, 1927 in Stamford, he was the son of David Bush Earnest and Hazel Wilson. He grew up in Rule and attended Rule schools. He graduated from Texas Christian University in Fort Worth and received seminary training at Yale Divinity School. After serving various Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ) in Ohio, he was ordained to the priesthood of the Episcopal Church in 1963. He was associate rector of St. Paul's Church, Cleveland Heights, Ohio, associate rector of Christ

Lucille Adams

Funeral services for Lucille Adams, 78, of Weinert were held Mon., Nov. 22 in First Baptist Church of Weinert with Donnie Harbers and Rodney Watson officiating. Burial was in Weinert Cemetery.

Mrs. Adams died Sat., Nov. 20 in Abilene.

Born May 29, 1921 in Grayson County, she married Leonard (Bud) Adams July 9, 1938 in Haskell. He preceded her in death April 4, 1987. She lived in Weinert from 1939-94 before moving to Abilene where she lived until her death. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Weinert.

James (J. R.) Barbee

Funeral services for James (J. R.) Barbee, 75, of Rule were held Wed., Nov. 24 at the Church of Christ in Rule with John Greeson officiating. Burial was in Rule Cem-

Mr. Barbee died Sat., Nov. 20 at a Stamford hospital. Born Sept. 5, 1924 in Haskell County, he married Ruby Anderson July 9, 1943 in Haskell. He was a farmer and worked at Lisle Gin and Co-op Gin. He served in the Army during World War II as a sergeant serving in the Philippines. He fought in the New Guinea Luzon and received the Asiatic Pacific Theater Ribbon, Philippine Liberation Ribbon, Good Conduct Medal and the Vic-

Pallbearers were Jim Barbee, Eric Barbee, Justin Anders, Dustin Barbee, Jimmy Lisle and Bob Bishop. Lorena Ophelia Vojkufka

Funeral services for Lorena Ophelia Vojkufka, 87, of Munday were held Mon., Nov. 22 at the Foursquare Church in Weinert with Rev. Paul Chambers and Rev. Rob Harrison and Pastor Joyce Goossen and Pastor Diane Crownover officiating. Burial was in Weinert Cemetery.

Mrs. Vojkufka died Sat., Nov. 20 at a Munday Care

Born June 20, 1912 in the Lone Star community of Haskell County, she married Henry Vojkufka Dec. 25, 1931 in Weinert. He preceded her in death Jan. 28, 1986. She was dedicated to the Experienced Citizens Center and the care of the Weinert Cemetery. She was a lifelong member of the Weinert Foursquare Gospel Church.

She was preceded in death by five sisters and five

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, Melvin and Wanda Vojkufka of Weinert; one granddaughter, Melanie Ann Wood and husband, Bob, of Abilene; three great grandchildren, Cory N., Zach T., and Whitney N. Wood, all of Abilene; two sisters, Ima Stewart and Jona Caddell, both of Haskell.

Pallbearers were Wayne Stout, Clifford Byrd, Shane Stout, Tiffen Mayfield, Ed Murphy, Cory Wood, Zach Wood and Weldon Walling. Honorary pallbearers were Roy Herricks, Thurman Stout, W. H. Patterson, W. R. Hager, Jack Dunnam, Lester Hutchinson and Don Welch.

Memorials may be made to the Weinert Cemetery Assn., P. O. Box 188, Weinert, Texas 76388; the Weinert Foursquare Church, Weinert, Texas 76388; or the Experienced Citizens Center, Haskell, Texas 79521

Sagerton News By Dorothy M. Clark

We wish everyone a happy Thanksgiving Day filled with laughter, family gatherings and thankful hearts for living in a country and community like we have. May we continue to experience this freedom that we have and thank the Lord for His many blessings to all of us.

Last Tues. members of the Methodist Church met for their monthly family night with Jack and Peggy Tabor hosting the Thanksgiving meal. Members and friends present included Pastor Tommy and Evajean Wilson, Charles and Dorothy Clark, Frances Clark, Delbert and Joyce LeFevre, Wilma Teichelman, G. W. and Ophelia LeFevre, Melvin and Flo New, Alvin and Ev Ulmer, Frances Perez, Chrystalle and her new baby, Nancy, Fedencio, Vanessa, Jacob, Joseph and Michael Perez and Connie Perez and family.

its regular monthly dinner and fellowship. Alvin and Ev Ulmer furnished the turkeys for the meal. Dorothy Toney and Mary Neinast prepared the turkeys and the dressing with families of the community bringing the side dishes. The Happy Birthday song was sung for Alice Bredthauer. Present for the day were: Herbert and Christine Stremmel, Leona Schonerstedt, J. C. and Margaret Wendeborn, Lena Boedeker and Erma Boedeker of Stamford, Corene Lowack. Delbert and Joyce LeFevre, Wilma Teichelman, Gladys and Herbert Vahlenkamp, Louis and Adeline Spitzer, Alvin and Alice Bredthauer, Jack and Peggy Tabor, Isabell Mrazek, Minnie Monse, J. B. and Dorothy Toney, Clancy and Helen Lehrmann, Alvin and Ev Ulmer, Steven Lehrmann, Ed Fouts, Frances Clark, Lynn Dale Dudensing, Jo Brown, Mary Neinast and Joe and Dorothy Clark.

Alvin and Alice Bredthauer were in Brenham recently for the Gaskamp family reunion and also attended a funeral service in Reisel for Alvin's former sister-in-law, Zelma Klander.

Jack and Peggy Tabor visited friends in Norman, Okla. recently. Peggy stayed in Norman for a few days while Jack and other friends went to Dodge City, Kan. to hunt pheasant. They also visited Brad and Janet Gambill.

The Hobby Club met Thurs. afternoon at the community center to get set up for the bazaar. Ev Ulmer was the hostess for the day and Jo Brown had "famous" quotes for all to read and enjoy. Peggy Tabor read a poem for the ladies." The Dec. Christmas party was discussed and final plans were made. Members attending included Yvonne Swofford, Mary Neinast, Leona Letz, Peggy Tabor, Ev Ulmer, Wilma Teichelman, Jo Brown, Dorothy Toney, Margaret Wendeborn, Frances Clark and Margie Hertel.

Joe and Dorothy Clark and Dorothy's aunt, Esther Kinman of Stamford spent the weekend visiting with relatives, Weldon and Joyce Tredemeyer and Leslie and Kay Baitz of Leander.

Milton Schmidt of Austin spent the night with Joe and Dorothy Clark after attending the football

The girls have started playing basketball under the coaching of Jill Brown. High school girls from Sagerton playing are Michelle Stegemoeller and Yolanda Rodriquez. The Rule team won third place at the tournament held this weekend and Michelle made the all-tournament team.



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Flu vaccines important for those aged 50 and older

Before the days of modern medicine, people relied on folk remedies. To ward off the flu, for example, you might have to wear a sock full of onions or eat a spoonful of ground hot chilies with a piece of tortilla. Today, fortunately, we can simply get a flu shot.

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This year, the American Academy of Family Physicians recommends that all Americans aged 50 and older get a flu vaccine every fall. Previously, that recommendation was aimed at people over age 65 and at individuals with chronic diseases such as cardiovascular or lung disease, diabetes, or AIDS. Typically, these people were considered to be at high risk for complications associated with flu. The new policy takes into consideration that many high-risk individuals fall into the younger

No matter your age, it pays to be proactive about your health. no one wants to be sidelined with a fever, muscle aches and pains, dry cough, runny nose, stuffed nose/congestion, headache and fatigue. And, no one wants to be responsible for passing it along to co-workers, family and friends.

Remember, it takes time for your body to build up an immunity, so be sure to get the shot several weeks before the flu season begins (late October or early November). As an extra precaution, you might want to avoid crowds

during flu season, regularly clean telephone headsets, wash your hands frequently and pass on foods that people tend to share such as snacks or desserts.

As with most things in life, there are exceptions. Do not get the flu vaccine if you are allergic to eggs (they're used to make the vaccine) or have a fever caused by

Researchers are now developing a version of the flu vaccine that could be taken as a nasal spray or drops. Preliminary results are promising. If all goes well, the product may be available in a couple of years. Anyway you look at it; it's certainly better than covering your body with lard to take away the heat of a fever.

Brandy Gardner to compete in PLA scholarship program of young people in America's high

schools.



BRANDY GARDNER

Brandy Gardner, a Paint Creek High School senior, has been nominated to compete in the national Principal's Leadership Award scholarship program (PLA), sponsored by the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP). Herff Jones, Inc. funds the Principal's Leadership Award Program.

Debbie Hobgood, principal of Paint Creek High School, announced the nomination this week, which places Gardner in the national competition. One hundred and fifty national PLA winners will be chosen this spring to receive \$1,000 scholarships.

Principals in high schools throughout the country could nominate one of their student leaders. Nominees were selected based on their leadership skills, participation in service organization clubs, achievements in the arts and sciences, employment experience and academic record. They also were required to write an essay.

"Gardner has demonstrated exemplary achievement in her academic work and service to her school and community," said Gerald N. Tirozzi, NASSP executive director. "She's a fine

In recognizing leadership in pursue a law degree at Texas Tech cocurricular activities-the term that University. Her parents are Roland replaces extra-curricular activities, and Sharee Gardner, her as coined in Breaking Ranks: grandmother is Ms. Elouise Reese Changing an American Institutionand her great grandmother is Mrs. as well as academic performance, Luettis Crow, all of Haskell. the PLA scholarship helps assert the importance of a well-rounded

NASSP, in partnership with The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, says cocurricular activities should be an essential part of the school curriculum. While at Paint Creek High School, Gardner has been freshman and sophomore class president, FFA Club president (senior),

National Honor Society president

(senior) and Student Council

president (junior). This coming fall

she plans to attend Abilene

education. Breaking Ranks, the

high school reform report issued by

NASSP is the nation's largest school leadership organization with a membership reaching toward 43,000 middle level and high school principals and assistant principals. It administers the National Honor Society, the National Association of Student Councils and the National Association of Student Activity Advisers, collectively serving an additional 55,000 advisers and more than one million students. NASSP is also the sponsor of National

Student Leadership Week. The

National Alliance of High Schools

is also administered by NASSP.

government and political science.

After graduating, she hopes to

Christmas lighting contest announced

With homes in Haskell already being decorated with festive Christmas lights, the Chamber of Commerce is expecting this year's Christmas lighting to be brighter than ever before on street after

Adding to the "lightening up" of the downtown area will be the Courthouse square lights which will be turned on Sat., Dec. 4 during the parade.

A Christmas lighting contest has been announced by the Chamber of Commerce, with

contact lenses

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judging to be done by out-of-town judges, Wed., Dec. 15.

To enter the contest, all one has to do is have their decorations in place and turned on between the hours of 5:00 and 10:00 p.m. on that night.

First, second and third place winners will be named for both Business and Residential categories. Each category will also include an Honorable Mention. Children's Favorite, and Most

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Homespun Club receives yearbooks

The Homespun Family and Community Education Club met recently and members received the new yearbook. The yearbook is dedicated to Edna Schroeder Anderson who was a member for twenty-eight years.

The roll call answer for the day was "a one word description of

Dolores Medford presented the

program "Put Your Best Foot Forward." She told that 75% of Americans will experience foot health problems of various sorts at one time or another in their lives. but only a small percentage of the population is born with foot problems. The program helped us become aware of common foot problems, what to watch for and what we can do to prevent them or

treat the problem if one should

The next meeting will be the Christmas party which will be at 5:30 p.m. in the Extension Office kitchen on Dec. 8. Members will bring a covered dish. Gifts for the Noah Project will be collected.

Thirteen members were present. The hostess for Nov. was Lennie Ruth Blankenship. .

Women more likely to hunt if included by family members

by Lou Gilly Haskell Co. Extension Agent If it means spending time with the family and putting meat in the freezer, Texas women might don camouflage, pick up a gun and head for the woods. But whether a woman hunts in Texas is more often determined by whether a man invites her and provides a location.

Texas Agricultural Experiment Station wildlife specialist Clark Adams says other factors will prevent significant numbers of women from becoming hunters in the future. An Experiment Station study says government agencies that regulate wildlife should be more aware of the differences in females and males who hunt.

Adams says it is also important to target hunting recruitment toward family recreational needs. Adams says more men should ask women to go hunting with them. The study also found that an estimated 177,000 males hunters have wives who may like to hunt but have not had the opportunity. According to the results, the typical Texas woman who hunts is white and about 45 years old. The study reveals that Texas women who hunt have access through their own land or that of a relative.

The study also gives reasons that other women may have difficulties or lack of desire to begin hunting. Top on the list are time constraints due to work and the cost of hunting leases. Adams says some new programs have been developed to teach women how to hunt and fish. He adds that women generally want to participate in hunting and other outdoor activities with their families and not with other women. Adams says hunting is a wonderful tradition, but agencies and policymakers need to use new strategies to recruit future



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Students in the News to compete for \$50,000 in

A total of four students from this area are among the approximately 120,000 students included in the 22nd Annual Edition of The National Dean's List, 1998-99. The National Dean's List, published by Educational Communications, Inc., is the largest recognition program and publication in the nation honoring high achieving college

Students are selected for this honor by their college deans, registrars or honor society advisors and must be in the upper 10% of their class, on their school's "Dean List," or have earned a comparable honor. Listed students are eligible

scholarship awards funded by the publisher and may also use a referral service for future employment opportunities. More than 2,500 colleges and universities nationwide use the publication to recognize their academically qualified students. To learn more about The National Dean's List visit www.honoring.com.

Local students selected include: Sarah R. Cothron, Harding University; Marci C. Elmore, Howard Payne University; Angela A. Palacios, Sul Ross State University; and William M. Perry, Texas Tech University.

Garden Club members learn holiday decorating ideas

The Haskell Garden Club met Nov. 11 on the square. Hostesses were Margie Dorner, Frances Bowers, Wanda Ham and Marsha Whittemore. A good representation of members were present.

The program was built around "Designs from the Garden" with decorative holiday ideas. Sue Hertel introduced the speakers who were Janice Payne, Shirley Welch and Claudia Bryant as designers.

They made beautiful floral arrangements with a discussion about each.

Refreshments were served to twenty-four people and one visitor.

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OPINION



HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — The U.S. Supreme Court has agreed to hear the case of Santa Fe Independent School District vs. Jane Doe regarding the constitutionality of student-led prayer in public schools.

Attorney General John Cornyn and Gov. George W. Bush filed a friend of the court brief on March 26 asking the court to hear the

"I am optimistic that the [Supreme] Court will protect the First Amendment rights of students," Cornyn said Nov. 15.

In February, the Fifth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans held that schools could allow students to deliver prayers at graduation as long as they are nonsectarian and nonproselytizing and that even student-initiated prayers are never permissible at school-sponsored football games.

Cornyn said Fifth Circuit's decision "cast a cloud over the student's right to engage in voluntary prayer at football games." AG Seizes Gambling Devices

The Texas Attorney General's office, the Texas Department of Public Safety and local law enforcement officials last week continued in their quest to rid the state

of illegal gambling equipment. They worked together to seize

120 Las Vegas-style eight-liner slot machines in Brown County and 143 in Gregg County.

"My office will work closely with local law enforcement to vigorously investigate and prosecute those who violate the law," Cornyn said.

Search warrants were served and after investigations were conducted, suspects were arrested in the counties for charges ranging from gambling promotion, keeping a gambling place and possession of gambling devices and gambling paraphernalia.

Illegal wagers and thousands of dollars in prizes also were seized. Lower Electricity Rates Due

Texas electric customers of Central and South West Corp. can expect lower rates and improved service to result from a merger with American Electric Power Co. approved by the Public Utility Commission earlier this month.

The agreement provides for specific rate reductions and service improvements over a six-year period, PUC officials said.

CSW is based in Dallas and its Texas operations include West Texas Utilities Co., Southwestern Electric Power Co. and Central Power and Light Co. The compa-

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nies serve some 988,300 customers in Texas.

Rylander Promotes 'e-Texas' Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander last week launched an initiative to put many Texas government services online.

The move will make a routine transaction, such as renewing a license, permit or paying taxes, a simple, electronic procedure.

"Texas government needs to be transformed from a brick-andmortar model that closes after 5 p.m. and on weekends to a virtual government that services Texans 24 hours a day, seven days a week," Rylander said.

Other Highlights

■ Lady Bird Johnson, 86, was released from an Austin hospital Nov. 13 after an overnight stay following a fainting spell.

Reagan Brown, Texas agriculture commissioner from 1977 to 1982, died last week of injuries suffered in a tractor accident on his Brazos County ranch. He was

■ Shorter days and cooler nights signal the beginning of fall and the start of the propane-heating season. The Texas Railroad Commission reminds Texans to have their propane tanks and heating appliances properly inspected before the first signs of colder weather.

■ The Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, which oversees drug treatment and prevention programs statewide, said it will have to delay new services because of a \$28 million budget

On Nov. 2, voters approved a constitutional amendment to end property taxes on privately leased vehicles. But the measure won't take effect unless the Texas Legislature approves a law creating the tax break during the 2001legislative session.

■ Attorney General Cornyn and actor Chuck Norris last week presented the Peace Officer of the Year Award to Texas Ranger Sgt. Drew Carter, who brought alleged serial killer Rafael Resendez-Ramirez to justice in July.

■ Attorney General Cornyn last week asked the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals to end Federal Judge William Wayne Justice's 20 years of oversight of Texas prisons.

■ Last week, an animal rights activist wearing a turkey suit stood at a busy Austin intersection, encouraging grocery shoppers to skip eating turkey this Thanksgiving and "go vegetarian."

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From The Inside Out

By Mary Kaigler

Before they have gone very far down the list, almost every person you ask to name the things they are most thankful for in their life will say, "My children.

We cherish our children and there is no doubt that the children, ours and those of others, help make this life a fuller, happier, more delightful place to dwell.

That is not to say, that every day in the life of a parent is easy or peaceful or pain-free and sugarcoated. Parenthood never comes with that money-back guarantee, When we contract with life to raise a child there are qualifiers involved that make a difference in the

As much as we might wish for one, there is no single instruction list we can automatically turn to that fits every occasion of child rearing. Learning as we go, it becomes apparent that in addition to an unbounded love, parenting a child into adulthood requires being there, infinite patience, prayerful wisdom and an understanding ability to see beyond the immediate crisis of each day to the larger

In our world these days we see and hear of many violent things being done by children. We may even find ourselves wondering and asking the age-old question of "what is this generation coming to?" But, we cannot lump all of this generation into one "undone" bit of clay.

Watching the youth of the First United Methodist Church lead the entire worship service Sunday made one realize how blessed we are to have a new generation who can

On Nov. 11, the sixth graders

from Haskell Elementary saluted

our veterans of WWII. Those

veterans that were present were

touched by their action and also the

high school students who took part

in the raising of the flag. Thanks of

appreciation goes out to these

youth who take pride in what

Dear Editor:

veterans have done.

successfully balance their busy lives of participating in school, athletics, band and entertainment with giving time and thought to their faith.

In our city and county there are many instances of youth groups and individual youths who give to others and serve others in generous acts of assistance and kindness; taking responsibility for their lives in spite of the trends around them. We must be thankful for them.

And we must encourage them. We want our children to make the right decisions and responsibly make their choices. And sometimes we take it for granted that they know what the best choices are. We as adults in the community and as parents to whom the children are looking, need to be mindful that they are absorbing our attitudes and will be emulating our actions as they grow and develop.

When they act in hurtful ways that cannot be tolerated, even children have to face the consequences of those actions. But as we rush, perhaps, to place them in a category of "hopeless troublemaker," we need to look at the reasons behind the actions and ask ourselves if there are influences in their lives that we may be overlooking.

Although we'd always like to find one, there are seldom simple answers to such complex problems. The following poem, written by an unknown author, presents one point of view. It was found posted on a school bulletin board and sent to the editor of The Texas Clubwoman magazine. It

Letters to the Editor

We need to realize also, the

veterans of Korea, Vietnam,

Lebanon/Grenada, Panama and the

Persian Gulf. Veterans of these

wars who have or have not seen

action should stand up like these

youth, not only in honoring those

who died or were injured, but those

to come. We past veterans have the

VA to help us, but how about our

future veterans and even some of

points out where some of the answers and perhaps where some of the blame may lie.

Do Not Blame the Children

We read in the paper and hear on the air of killing and stealing and crime everywhere. We sigh and say as we notice the trend, "This young generation, where will it end?"

But, can we be sure that it's their fault alone, that maybe a part of it isn't our own? Are we less guilty who place in their way too many things that lead them astray?

Too much money to spend, too much idle time; Too many movies of passion and crime;

Too many books not fit to be read; too much evil in what they hear said:

Too many children encouraged to roam by too many parents who won't stay home.

Kids don't make movies, they don't write the books that paint gay pictures of gangsters and crooks.

They don't make the "liquor," they don't run the bars. They don't make the laws and they don't make They don't peddle drugs that

addle the brain. That's done by older folks greedy for gain. Delinquent teenagers! Oh, how

we condemn the sins of the nation and blame it on them. By the laws of the blameless,

the Savior made known, who is there among us to cast the first For in so many cases-it's sad,

but it's true, the title "delinquent" fits older folks, too!

our Lebanon/Grenada, Panama and

Persian Gulf younger veterans. Will

their benefits run out? Like the

youth of Haskell, veterans should

stand up also. One easy way to do

this is join the American Legion

and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

The more members these

organizations have, means the more

pressure we have to persuade our

government to keep these benefits

in force. Thank you, veterans.

Vicci King

From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago November 23, 1989

The Haskell Indians opened their basketball season with a smashing 92-51 victory over the Seymour Panthers.

Jennifer Comedy showed the champion finewool and also won the junior showmanship trophy atthe Erath County Lamb Jackpot in

The City Council of Haskell has accepted a bid of \$69,336.53 from R. L. Anderson Inc. of Wichita Falls for a new garbage

Bill D. Stewart has been named president of Thompson & Formby Inc. of Memphis, Tenn. He is the son of Ernest Stewart of Haskell.

20 Years Ago November 22, 1979

Mrs. Tom Yates of Weinert was selected as Haskell County Extension Homemakers Club Woman of the year.

The Christian Missionary Scoiety met and enjoyed a salad supper with Marjorie Pace as hostess in her home.

The Haskell County Chapter of the American Heart Association with the help of the Haskell County 4-H Clubs raised \$1,663.00 to benefit heart research during their recent Turkeywalk.

The Haskell County Senior Citizens Organization met at the Community Center Building. Mr. Tooley presided. Forty-two senior citizens enjoyed a delicious Thanksgiving meal.

30 Years Ago November 20, 1969

Lorenia Caddell, 16 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Caddell, of Weinert, was named Haskell County's Gold Star Girl during the annual county 4-H Club Achievement Awards Banquet.

Mrs. Glenn Caddell, of Weinert, was chosen club woman of the year by members of the Haskell County Home Demonstration Clubs.

The board of directors of the Haskell Country Club has hired Earl Proctor to serve as manager of the club. Proctor will replace Fitzhugh Williams who has resigned

Charles Swinson showed slides of his trip to Alaska and Canada to the Haskell Lions Club. Mr. and Mrs. Swinson and Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Sherman spent more than a month touring Alaska and Canada.

> 40 Years Ago November 19, 1959

Wintery weather hit this area with a vengeance during the weekend, with the mercury dipping to 17 degrees to bring the coldest weather at this season of the year since the early 40's.

The Parents Club sponsored a prom for high school students in the American Legion Hall, following the annual football banquet held in the elementary cafetorium.

Winston Ulmer, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Ulmer of Sagerton, and an accounting major at Texas Tech was among the seven finalists in the contest for the "Most Handsome Man" at Texas Tech.

50 Years Ago Nov. 24, 1949

Betty Jo Herren, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Herren and a freshman in Haskell High School, has been elected FFA Sweetheart of the high school chapter.

Three Haskell county high schools-Haskell, Rule and Weinert-can claim champion football teams, all district winners in Class A, B and 6-man brackets; during the current season.

The ladies of the Stitch and Chatter Club of Sagerton entertained their husbands at their annual Thanksgiving supper in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hess.

90 Years Ago Nov. 20, 1909

A. C. Sherrick and J. J. Stein have returned from a prospecting trip out west. Mr. Stein traded his auto for a section of land while

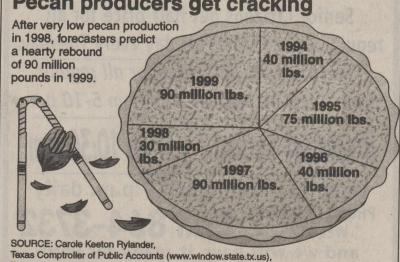
The telegraph office has been moved from the depot to the Express office in the State Bank building.

Joe McCrary is having a large repair shop erected just east of the Simmons Livery Stable. He will have a complete repair shop for autos, gas and steam engines.

H. M. Rike attended the big fair at San Angelo this week.

Pecan producers get cracking 40 million lbs. 90 million lbs. 1995 75 million lbs. 1998 30 million 40 million

Keeping an eye on Texas



Texas Agricultural Statistics Service and Texas Department of Agriculture.

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Kids shouldn't share these items

Sharing combs and trading hats at school can lead to contagious skin conditions spreading quickly through a classroom.

Head lice and scabies are two common conditions that transfer from one person to another through close contact.

"Children should not share combs, towels or brushes. When they have sleepovers, they should not share a pillow," said Dr. Jan Drutz, an associate professor of pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

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Cub Scouts hold annual family cake bake

Cub Scout Pack 136 held their pack meeting and annual Family Cake Bake, Mon., Oct. 25 at the Haskell National Bank Community

A total of 17 cakes were entered. Each boy who entered a cake received a cake bake patch to be worn on his brag jacket.

Judging the tasty event were Chan Guess, Shane Hadaway and Michelle Dunnam. Cub Master Don Kretschmer was auctioneer.

Blue ribbon winners and their successful event.

categories include: biggest cake-Eric Markunas; smallest cake-Ethan Frierson; best tasting cake-Josh Burke; most unique cake-

> Brennan Medford; most interesting cake-Nathan Meredith. Scout leaders wish to thank those who helped make this a

Blake Thomasson; tallest cake-

Chad Kretschmer; judge's choice-

Quintin Berry; most scout spirit-

Rylie Tatum; most patriotic-

Michael Buerger; Halloween-

Rule schools announce honor rolls

A Honor Roll students from Rule Elementary School for the second six weeks are: 1st Grade: Wesley Anderson, Jenny Dudensing, Rodney Johnson, Aaron Long, T. J. Roberts, Donna Thomas and Shalisse Vanderbilt.

2nd Grade: Rebecca Hensley, Joseph Turner and Kayce Wilcox. 3rd Grade: Molly Dudensing,

Lee Jones and Kelsie Miller. 5th Grade: Cassidy Cooper, Astin Flores, Cory Flores, Julian Menchaca, Kade Kittley, Kortney Kupatt, Nicole Myers, A. J. Rogers and Mathew Turner.

A-B Honor Roll students are: 1st Grade: Allison Petty, Brittany Roberts and Stephanie Threet. 2nd Grade: Jeffrey Myers and

Sabrina Navarrette. 3rd Grade: Brittany Barnett and

Andrew Hertel. 4th Grade: Jessie Magallon, Stephen Pace, R. J. Pederson, Kiel Rowan, Stephanie Stowell, Adam Vasquez and Dena Winkcomplek.

5th Grade: Mason Bishop, Paul Griffin, Sam Long, Hays Ottaway, Rose Pederson, Kendra Scheets and Adam Walker.

Rule Junior High and High School A honor roll students are:

6th Grade: Emery Dudensing. 7th Grade: Kolt Kittley

8th Grade: M'Lynn Lehrmann 11th Grade: Gloria Aguinaga and Jeffrey Murray

12th Grade: Jody Harvey, Grant Hisey, Allen Puebla and Michelle Stegemoeller.

A-B honor roll students are: 6th grade: Maria Amaya, Tully Brown, Charles Jones, Joanna Lehrmann, Jacob Manske, Joshua Messenger, Mackenzie Miller, Miranda Robertson and Keli Smith.

7th Grade: Craig Simpson, Samuel Turner, Alex Vasquez and Holly Wolsch.

8th Grade: Abby Dudensing, Matthew Hensley, Kristin Hertel, Breanna Marquis and Ricky

9th Grade: Trey Kittley, Tara

10th Grade: Kami Baitz, Ashley Barnett, Kyle Falkner, Bobby Flores and Nora Hatley.

11th Grade: Oralia Amaya. Oscar Amaya, Matt Arendall, Justin Coker, Taylor Elkin, Tiffany McDuff, Tony Navarrette, Janae Smith, Stephanie Stephens

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Medicare funds largely unused by recipients

are missing out on substantial savings," says Marcia C. R schofsky, a Texas Legal Services Center staff attorney. Part of Rachofsky's job is to get the word out about several little-used programs for Medicare recipients. Indeed, some people haven't even applied for Medicare fearing that they won't be able to pay the premiums, she says.

Yet "QMB, SLMB and QI-1 will pay the monthly Medicare premium for people who are eligible," Rachofsky says. "And QMB goes even further. It pays the deductibles and co-payments too." An additional program which pays a smaller portion is QI-2.

So why aren't people using these programs? "In large measure," Rachofsky says, "they don't know about them. Or they don't know who to call or even how to ask about them." This, in part, is due to the complicated nomenclature: QMB meaning Qualified Medicare Beneficiary, SLMB meaning Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiary and QI meaning Qualified Individual. 'We're hoping our outreach will fix this.'

Rachofsky's plan is to blanket the state with pamphlets, posters, placemats and stadium cups publicizing the savings that the p ograms have to offer. "We're trying to get them into all of the places that the elderly and people with disabilities who have limited resources are likely to go." For starters, Rachofsky will be placing the products in senior centers and sending them to group meal sites, hospital waiting rooms and assisted living centers. All of the materials are free.

Those interested in applying for OMB, SLMB, QI-1 and QI-2 programs should contact their local Texas Department of Human Services office for information, Rachofsky advises. "If the local office handles Medicaid," says Rachofsky, "It will handle QMB. If

> All deadlines are 5 p.m. on Monday.

"A lot of people with it doesn't handle QMB, it can refer disabilities or who are 65 or older the caller to the nearest office that does." The number for the regional office serving your county is 1-915-690-2322. Rachofsky also points out that "the application process has been simplified. The form is short and callers can have it sent to them at home. No affidavits or proof of income or resources is required with the completed application and it can be mailed

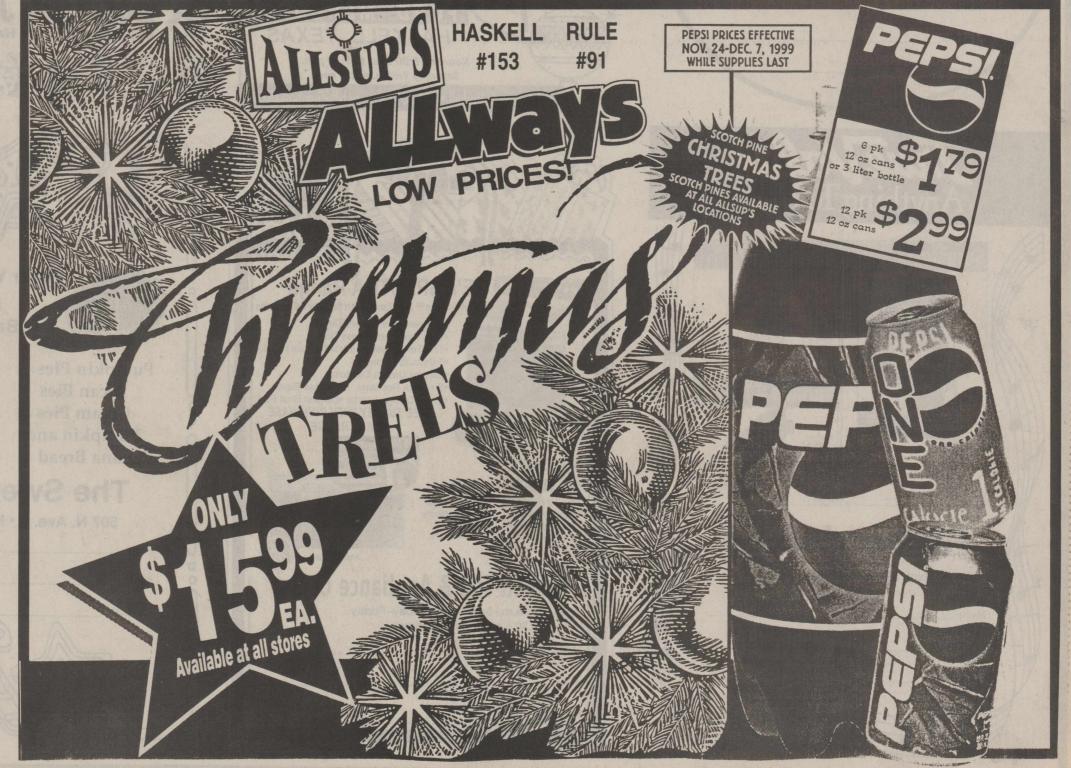
What is more, the value of the applicant's homestead is never counted when resources are totaled. The value of one car is usually not included either. "It's pretty easy for a person to find out if he or she is eligible," Rachofsky concludes, "and it would certainly be worthwhile to do that. After all, the savings can add up to over \$500 a year."

Lisle and Chrissy Ramirez.

and Cole Wolsch. 12th Grade: Maria Aguinaga,

Amy Elkin, Jeremy Hertel, Mandi Hunt, Brian Lehrmann, Kara Pierce, Tiffany Ramirez, Gena Robinson, Yolanda Rodriquez and Latisha Trussell.

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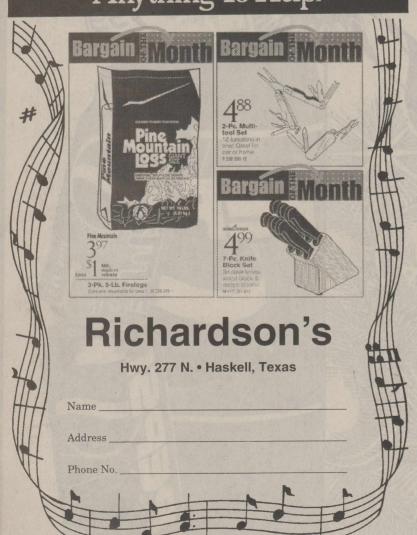






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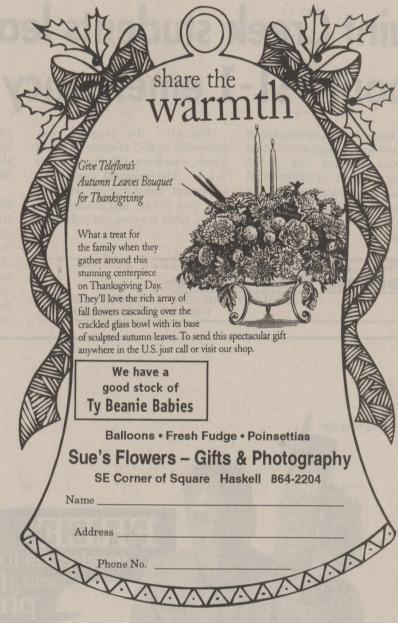




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9-1-1 PROGRAM SHARED-Paint Creek students in Nan Doyal's kindergarten and first grade class pose with Red E. Fox, the mascot for the 9-1-1 Program for Kids, sponsored by the West Central Texas Council of Governments. Front row, I-r, are Dalton Barnett, Katrina Buerger, Kelly Pittcock, Kelsey Smith and Payton Vaughn. Back row, Dylan Huggins, Dillon Emert, Kailey Jones, Caleb McCord, Bailey Fillmon, Samantha Wade, Kelsey Ansley, Jordan Adkins and Johnathan Kraatz. Standing back educational aide Jo Fischer, Red E. Fox and teacher Nan Doyal.

Paint Creek students learn about 9-1-1 emergency system

The Texas 9-1-1 Commission is committed to teaching every child in Texas to use the 9-1-1 emergency system. Offered to all students in a 19 county region, the program is sponsored by the West Central Texas Council of to say when needing the police, an Governments.

Recently, the program was presented to K-5 students at Paint Creek, who learned the basics about 9-1-1. The program covers the important questions of when to call, how to call, and exactly what

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ambulance or the fire department. Equally important, the program also helps children understand when NOT to call 9-1-1.

The star of the 9-1-1 for Kids Program is mascot Red. E. Fox. A friendly, heroic spokescharacter created to make learning about 9-1-1 a memorable event for young children, Red. E. Fox makes hundreds of personal appearances each year in schools throughout the Big Country, and is warmly received by students.



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FOX AND FRIENDS-Paint Creek second grade teacher, Phoi McGuire stands with Red E. Fox as he shares a moment with students, front row, I-r, Adan Rivera, Johnny Escamilla, Tracy Medford and Jessica Pendergraft. Back row are Kacie Bogle, Colton Smith, Destiny Acosta and Zach Trussell.

Postmaster reminds customers to mail early during holidays

Postmaster Benny Harris said this week that Haskell Post Office is ready to help you "Fly Like an Eagle" through the holiday season, but with mail volume continuing to increase, he said "Mail Early" are again the watchwords this year.

"This 1999 holiday season, U.S. Postal Service customers will bring 20 billion mail pieces to post offices during the season starting after Thanksgiving," he said.

Harris added that customers can help by providing window clerks with full information on packages; such as requirements for insurance, delivery confirmation, desired time for package arrival and other pertinent information.

To help customers, Harris

suggests the following mailing *Write, type, or print the

complete address neatly. *Always use a return address.

*Always use complete information, such as Ave, Blvd and

*Always use correct directional, such as N, W, and SW

*Don't let an incorrect Zip Code delay delivery of cards and letters.

*Select a container that's strong enough to protect the contents. Leave space for cushioning material inside the carton.

*Always use tape that is designed for shipping wrap, such as pressure-sensitive tape. Place a return address label inside the package. The only addresses on packages should be the delivery and return addresses.

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*Carefully pack glass and fragile hollow items, like vases, with newspaper or packing material to avoid damage due to shock. When mailing framed photographs, take the glass out of the frame and wrap it separately.

Packages that weigh one pound or more must be taken into the post office for mailing.

Harris also suggested that when writing to Santa, be sure to use a return address. Santa may write

"The holidays are here, and the postal service wants to deliver your package on time." Harris said. "Just help us by mailing early."

Welfare Board offering T

The Haskell County Child Welfare Board is offering chances on a 13" color television donated by Haskell Tire and Appliance of Haskell. Proceeds from the raffle will go to buy toys and clothes for needy children of Haskell County.

Tickets can be purchased at the Dec. 7 home basketball game at Haskell and at the Dec. 9 Christmas Carnival to be held at the little gym at the Haskell High School. The drawing will be held the night of the Christmas Carnival and you need not be present to win.

Tickets may also be purchased at Rochester from Pat Quade, at Rule from Leslie Kupatt and the

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Rule 4-H Club members and from any Child Welfare Board member.

The 1999-2000 Haskell County Child Welfare Board members are Julie Kretschmer, John Foster, Betsy McManamon, Donita Hudgens, Michelle Dunnam, Pat Quade and Debbie Hobgood.

The Haskell County Child Welfare Board is a non-profit

organization who helps families at Christmas and throughout the year with clothes, diapers, emergency? food and formula, doctor's visits, medication and school supplies.

Donations are always appreciated and can be mailed to the Haskell County Child Welfare Board, P. O. Box 817, Haskell,

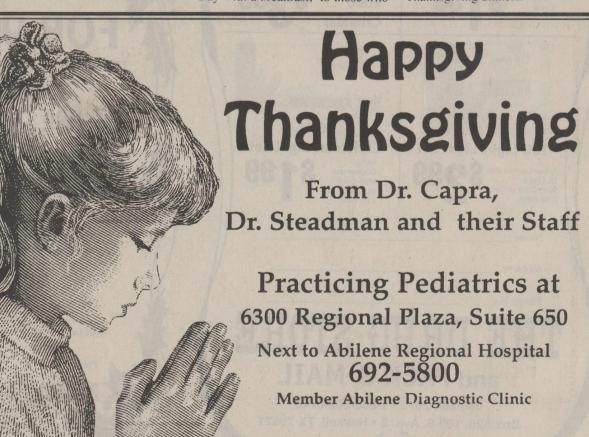
American Legion News

meeting of meeting of American to the Haskell High School Band Legion Post 221 Haskell, Joe King won an 18 quart oven, and Dr. Bill Kemp won Paid Up For Life membership dues.

honoring the veterans on Veterans Day with a breakfast; to those who Thanksgiving dinners.

At a drawing during the Nov. 15 spoke on the veteran's behalf, and for attending and performing at the raising of the flag.

Post Adjutant, Jim King reported that the Thanksgiving Thanks were expressed to the supper given by the Legion was not Haskell 6th grade students for only a success, but attendance almost doubled that of past



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Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 1,569 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., Nov. 20, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

Steady on all classes of cattle. Jerseys, longhorns, cripples, goons, \$5-\$20/less 100# than figures quoted. No sale Sat., Nov.

Local students see Beauty and the Beast

Haskell fourth graders recently attended Beauty and the Beast at the Civic Center in Abilene where they experienced a bit of culture. The musical production was performed by a professional traveling group from American Theater Arts for Youth, Inc. in Pennsylvania. Students enjoyed the colorful costumes, elaborate stage settings, musical selections and choreography of characters from the classic fairy tale.

Cows: fat, .30-.35; cutters, .32-.37; canners, .20-.28.

Bulls: bologna, .43-.49; feeder, .62-.68; utility .38-.45.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.05-1.20; 300-400 lbs., .95-1.10; 400-500 lbs., .85-.99; 500-600 lbs., .80-.93; 600-700 lbs., .74-.84; 700-800 lbs., .70-.76; 800-up lbs., .68-

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .90-1.10; 300-400 lbs., .88-.95; 400-500 lbs., .80-.92; 500-600 lbs., .72-.83; 600-up lbs., .58-.76. Bred Heifers: medium frame,

Bred Cows: young to middle aged, 525-635; aged or small, 460-

Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, 650-725; aged or small, 575-

Parents can identify asthma symptoms in children

Haskell Co. Extension Agent Because children often cannot express their symptoms verbally, physicians rely heavily on parental observations to diagnose asthma in childhood. Here are some signs and symptoms that parents may observe.

In infants and small children, you may not observe the usual signs. Instead asthma may appear

•Rapid breathing Noisy breathing

•Retraction (a sucking-inmotion of the chest, ribs, or neck and belly movement with each breath).

•Chest congestion.

Possible signs of asthma in toddlers may include the following: •Fussiness, irritability, or

restlessness during sleep Nighttime coughing

•Coughing or wheezing when laughing or crying

•Runny nose, sneezing, or other cold-like symptoms

•Listlessness - not interested in Decreased appetite

•Complaints of sore throat, sore neck, stomachache, or backache

·Paleness with accompanying dark circles around the eyes.

•Retracting (a sucking-inmotion of the chest, ribs, or neck and belly movement with each

·Labored breathing, or a longer time needed for breathing out than breathing in

•Grunting noises, or nostril flaring with breathing.

About one quarter of asthmatic children seem to "outgrow" their disease in their teen years or as young adults.

Food for thought

"The iron did swim." 2 Kings

The axe-head seemed hopelessly lost and as it was borrowed, the honour of the prophetic band was likely to be imperilled and so the name of their God to be compromised. Contrary to all expectation, the iron was made to mount from the depth of the stream and to swim; for things impossible with man are possible with God. I knew a man in Christ but a few years ago who was called to undertake a work far exceeding his

It appeared so difficult as to involve absurdity in the bare idea of attempting it. Yet he was called thereto and his faith rose with the occasion; God honoured his faith, unlooked-for aid was sent and the iron did swim. Another of the Lord's family was in grievous financial straits, he was able to meet all claims and much more if he could have realized a certain portion of his estate, but he was overtaken with a sudden pressure; he sought for friends in vain, but faith led him to the unfailing

Helper and lo, the trouble was averted, his footsteps were enlarged and the iron did swim.

A third had a sorrowful case of depravity to deal with. He had taught, reproved, warned, invited and interceded, but all in vain. Old Adam was too strong for young Melancthon, the stubborn spirit would not relent.

Then came an agony of prayer and before long a blessed answer was sent from heaven. The hard heart was broken, the iron did

Beloved reader, what is thy desperate case? What heavy matter hast thou in hand this evening? Bring it hither. The God of the prophets lives and lives to help his saints. He will not suffer thee to lack any good thing.

Believe thou in the Lord of hosts! Approach him pleading the name of Jesus and the iron shall swim; thou too shalt see the finger of God working marvels for his people. According to thy faith be it unto thee and yet again the iro

This Week's Devotional Message:

GIVE THANKS FOR ALL THE BLESSINGS THAT WE HAVE



e don't appreciate our health Until it's here no more. And anything we've known as wealth We manage to ignore. We take advantage of our friends

With selfishness and greed, But then we try to make amends If ever we're in need.

And when it comes to loved ones dear. Whom we've relied upon.

We often hurt them while they're here, Then grieve when they are gone. So let's be thankful for the things The Lord saw fit to give:

The blessings that His goodness brings, As long as we shall live.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

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

Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 107 N. Ave. F, Haskell Church of God Eric Clark, pastor • 864-2021 Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7:00 p.m. East Hwy 380, Haskell

Trinity Lutheran Church Gary Bruns, pastor Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30 Hwy 380 East, Haskell Iglesia Bautista El Calvario

Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 5 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. First United Methodist Church

Shane Brue, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 10:50 a.m. 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m. 201 N. Ave. F, Haskell First Assembly of God Rev. J.C. Amburn

Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 1500 N. Ave. E, Haskell St. George Catholic Church Father Michael Melcher

Sat. Mass 7:15 p.m.; Sun. Morn. 9:00 a.m. 901 N. 16th, Haskell Church of Christ Brett Anderson, minister

Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 10:30 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m. 510 N. Ave. E, Haskell

First Presbyterian Church Luther S. Hollowell, II, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m., 11:00 a.m. 306 N. Ave. E, Haskell Trinity Baptist Church Rev. Kenneth Blair

Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p. 401 S. Ave. D, Haskell Hopewell Baptist Church

John Lewis, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 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

Kevin and Sharon Fletcher, pastors Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.m. 200 S. Ave. F, Haskell Mission Revival Center Rev. William Hodge

Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m. 1600 N. Ave. B, Haskell First Baptist Church Troy Culpepper, pastor

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

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

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First Baptist Church Joel Rister, pastor Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.

Weinert Methodist Church Rev. James Patterson Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.

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Weinert -ROCHESTER-Church of Christ Steve Wilis, minister

Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m. West on Main Street, Rochester First Baptist Church Ed Buerkle, 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

Faith Chapel of Rochester Katherine Byrd, minister Sun. Morn. 10 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.

> -SAGERTON-Tommy Wilson, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m. Sagerton

Jeff Zell, pastor

Scott Hensley, pastor Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 1001 Union Ave., Rule

811 Union, Rule First United Methodist Church

Sun. Morn. Worship 9 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. 1000 Union Ave., Rule

Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. Elm Street•Hwy 380 E, Rule Sweet Home Baptist Church

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Shane Brue, pastor

New Life Baptist Mission Jesus Herrera

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Friday: Breakfast pizza Lunch A choice of baked potato with

choice of topping or a salad bar are offered daily at the High School. Ala-carte line offered daily Secondary only. Snack bar price list posted in each class. Milk and

assorted drinks are served daily at the High School. Milk and juice are served daily at the Elementary School. Monday: Frito pie, pinto beans,

seasoned spinach, cornbread, fruit cocktail Tuesday: Chicken nuggets, gravy, creamed potatoes, blackeyed

peas, hot rolls, fruit cobbler Wednesday: Stromboli, tater tots, vegetable sticks w/dip, orange

Thursday: Hamburger, French fries, pickle spears, Jello cake Friday: Chicken fried steak, gravy, creamed potatoes, seasoned green beans, hot rolls, ice cream

ECC Calendar and Menu

Monday, November 29 Lunch-Hamburgers, tator tots, pinto beans, hamburger salad, fruit cobbler, milk, tea or coffee

Wednesday, December 1

Lunch-Ham, potatoes, blackeyed peas, cabbage slaw, fruit cobbler, bread, milk, tea or coffee Friday, December 3 Lunch-Chicken and dumplings,

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All over 60 are invited to come and eat. Call 864-3875 for transportation to the center or for home delivered lunches for the sick or disabled.

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO INCREASE RATES

Pursuant to Tex. Utilities Code § 104.103 (1999), TXU Lone Star Pipeline, a Division of TXU Gas Company ("Applicant") hereby gives notice of intent to change the city gate rate of TXU Lone Star Pipeline (formerly known as "Lone Star Pipeline Company") established by Order of the Railroad Commission of Texas in Gas Utilities Docket No. 8664 ("GUD 8664").

Applicant proposes a two-part transportation rate that consists of a demand charge per MMBtu based upon the contractual demand for city gate service and a volumetric charge per MMBtu based on actual delivered volumes. This transportation rate would result in a revenue increase to Applicant. Applicant also proposes to increase the storage rate applicable to city gate deliveries established in GUD 8664. The storage rate would consist of a monthly demand charge for capacity and a monthly demand charge for deliverability. The deliverability demand charge would only be charged during the months of November through March.

The proposed effective date of the change is December 20, 1999. The change is a major change, and will result in an increase in annual revenues of approximately \$20.3 million or sixteen percent (16%). The change will affect 1.3 million residential and commercial customers. The rate change will affect transportation and storage rates at the city gate for TXU Lone Star Gas-Transmission, who in turn sells the gas to TXU Lone Star Gas which serves 1.3 million residential and commercial customers in Texas under the rates established by the local regulatory authorities in municipalities and the Railroad Commission in environs areas.

A Statement of Intent to make such a change has been filed with the Railroad Commission of Texas in GUD 8976 and is available for inspection at the Commission's office at 1701 North Congress in Austin, Texas, and at the offices of Applicant at 301 South Harwood in Dallas, Texas. Copies of the Statement of Intent have also been sent to the appropriate city official of each incorporated city served by TXU Lone Star Gas. Any affected person may file in writing comments or a protest concerning the proposed change in the rates with the Docket Services Section of the Office of General Counsel, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711-2967, at any time on or before 4:00 p.m., Thursday, December 30, 1999. Any person or agency who has a justiciable or administratively cognizable interest who desires to be designated as a party may petition for leave to intervene and request to become a party to this proceeding. The final date for intervention in this case shall be 4:00 p.m., Thursday, December 30, 1999.



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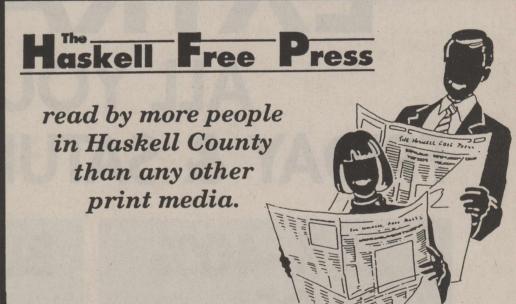
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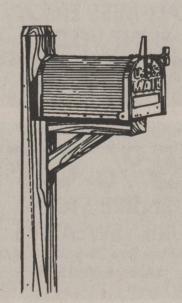
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