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Haskell
9B, V-GB vs. Rotan
Fri., Dec. 17, 3 p.m. at Rotan
December 18
Haskell JV Tournament
JV-GB

Paint Creek Open Fri., Dec. 17
Paint Creek vs. Megargel
Sat., Dec. 18, 6:30 p.m.
at Megargel

Calendar

Early deadlines

Deadlines for the December 23 edition of the Haskell Free Press will be 5 p.m. on Thurs., Dec. 16.

Open house

Haskell Elementary School will hold open house Thurs., Dec. 16 from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. School will dismiss at 2:40 p.m. on Thurs., Dec. 16 and at 12:05 Fri., Dec. 17.

Immunizations

The Texas Dept. of Health in Stamford will hold an immunization clinic Thurs., Dec. 16 at the American Legion Hall in Haskell. Clinic times are 1 to 4 p.m. For more information, call 915-773-5681.

Rule Christmas lighting

Christmas lighting for homes and yards in Rule will be judged Dec. 16.

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Keith Chapman wins world championship

For the second straight year Haskell native, Keith Chapman of Georgetown, has won the title of World Championship in saddle bronc riding in the National Senior Pro Rodeo Association (NSPRA). After trailing Montana Bronc

Rider, Billy Stockton in the point standings for much of the year, Chapman managed to overtake Stockton at the last regular season rodeo in October, and took a slim lead into the Senior National Finals Rodeo held in Reno, Nevada in

November.

Winning the National Finals Rodeo, he was crowned World Champion Saddle Bronc Rider for 1999.

The son of Jack and Joy Chapman of Haskell, Chapman is a Gold Card Member of the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA). He began his rodeo career while a student at Texas A&M University in the early 1970s, qualifying twice for the College National Finals Rodeo.

Qualifying for his PRCA card in 1974, Chapman went on to qualify for the PRCA Texas Circuit Finals four times. He served as saddle bronc director for the PRCA Texas Circuit, before retiring from competition in 1986.

Coming out of retirement in 1991, Chapman won the saddle bronc title in 1994 at the Texas Cowboy Reunion Rodeo in Stamford. Since that date he has qualified for every NSPRA National Finals, winning the World Championship title in saddle bronc riding in 1998 and 1999.

City Council holds regular meeting

At the regular meeting of the Haskell City Council Tues., the budget for purchase of a pickup was amended to reflect an increase of \$3500.00 from the water department capital account.

Approval was given for an annexation resolution.

City work at the Airport was reported to be about finished.



SECOND GIANT JACKPOTS DRAWN—Wrapped up for the occasion, some of those who gathered around the courthouse gazebo

for the drawing last Saturday went home happy after their names were drawn for cash and gift certificates from local merchants.

Final sales tax rebates for 1999 delivered

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander recently delivered her final sales tax rebates for 1999—a total of \$222.9 million to 1,105 cities and 119 counties. Comptroller Rylander also delivered December sales tax rebates of \$85.3 million to six metropolitan transit authorities and two city transit departments.

Another \$7.3 million went to 47 special purpose districts around the state.

December's rebates bring the total sales tax allocated to local taxing entities in 1999 to \$3.5 billion, a new one-year record for local sales tax revenue and an increase of 7.1 percent compared to sales tax allocations in 1998.

"Local sales tax allocations for 1999 confirm the message I have been delivering across the state this year. The Texas economy is robust, consumer confidence is high and economic growth is creating paychecks and jobs for Texans," Comptroller Rylander said.

December's \$222.9 million in sales tax rebates to cities and counties is a 26.4 percent increase over the 176.3 million allocated in December 1998. Cities received \$204.6 million, 26.4 percent higher than last December's payments of \$161.9 million. 1999 sales tax rebates to cities total \$2.3 billion, up 7.1 percent compared to the \$2.1 billion rebated to cities in 1998.

December allocations to counties of \$18.2 million are up 26.3 percent compared to last December's payments of \$14.4 million. During 1999 counties received \$200 million in sales tax allocations, up 1.4 percent compared to 1998 allocations of

\$197 million.

December sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected by monthly filers in October and reported to the Comptroller in November.

Haskell County had a 38.31 percent increase for December, 1999 of \$29,772.07 in comparison to \$21,525.23 for December, 1998. 1999 payments to date of \$330,373.11 reflect a 7.13 percent decrease over 1998 payments to date of \$355,771.18.

The City of Haskell had a 34.42

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Jackpot drawings continue

The second drawing for Giant Jackpots last Saturday afternoon saw several Haskell shoppers going home with big bucks.

Dave Wells of the Aspermont area was not present, winning one half of a \$100.00 jackpot, \$50.00 from Sport-About. In a second drawing for the other half, Ann Blair of Haskell was present to win \$50.00 on a ticket from Modern Way.

Eva Palacios of Haskell was present to win a \$100.00 jackpot on a ticket from Modern Way Food Store.

Cindy Landreth of Rule was present to win a \$100.00 jackpot on a ticket from Boggs and Johnson.

Rick Kennedy of Haskell was present to win a \$100.00 jackpot on a ticket from Modern Way Food Store.

Nick Ortiz of Haskell was present to win a \$100.00 jackpot on a ticket from Burkett's Family Restaurant.

Johnny Diaz of Haskell was present to win a \$200.00 jackpot on a ticket from Modern Way Food Store.

Troy Culpepper of Haskell, who was not present, won half of a \$300.00 jackpot, \$150.00 on a ticket from Modern Way Food Store.

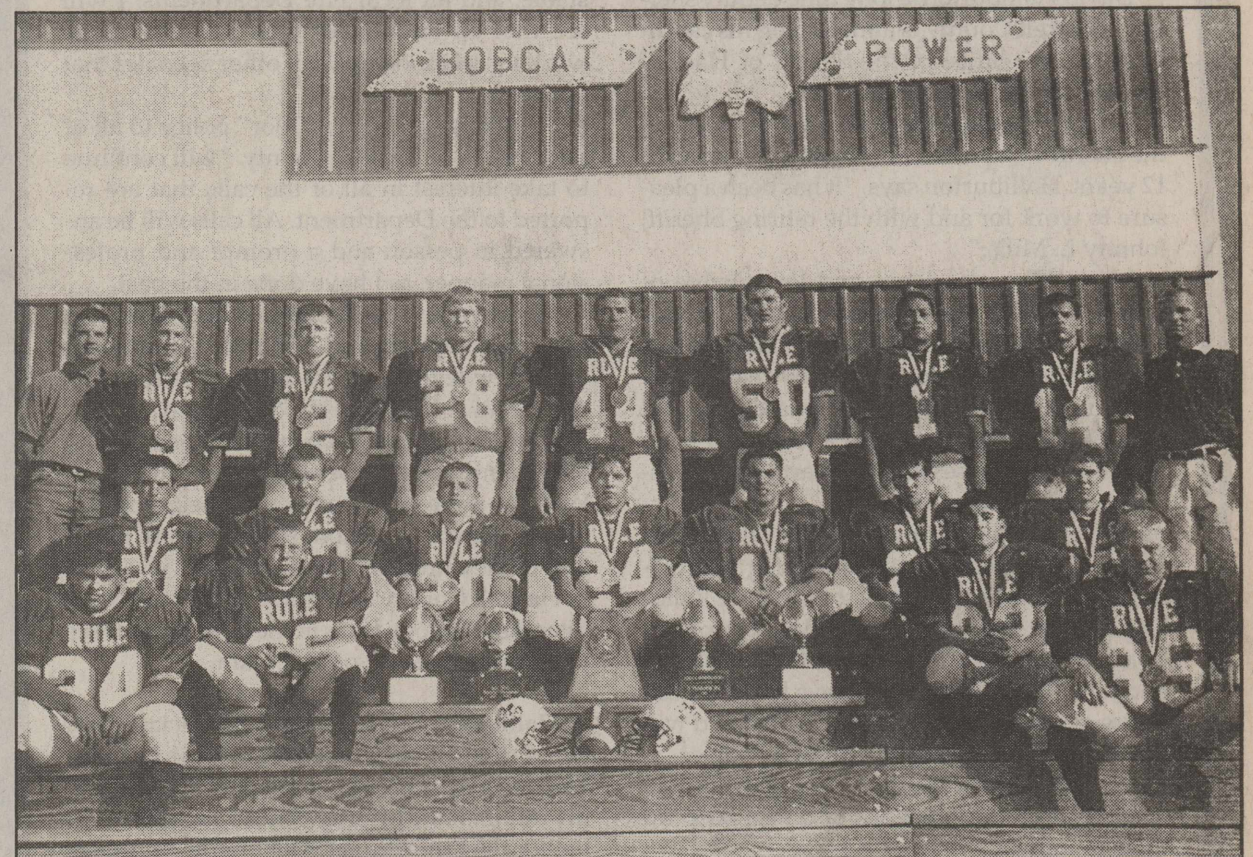
In a second drawing for the other half of the \$300.00 jackpot, Matilda Lopez of Haskell was present to win a \$150.00 jackpot from Haskell Tire and Appliance

Goodfellows Donations

Anonymous	\$50.00
Mr. and Mrs. Royce Adkins	\$100.00
Young Homemakers	\$100.00
In memory of Edna Burnett by E. H. Burnett	\$25.00
Total this week	\$275.00
Previous total	\$245.00
Total to date	\$520.00



GRAND CHAMP—Keith Chapman is joined by parents Jack and Joy Chapman after winning the title of 1999 World Champion Saddle Bronc Rider in the National Senior Pro Rodeo Association competition held in Reno, Nevada in November.



RULE BOBCATS—Members of the team that went all the way to the Semifinals are: top row, l-r, Asst. Coach Cody Levrets, Jody Harvey, Grant Hisey, Cody Tibbets, Mike Casey, Jeremy Hertel, Joe Sotelo, Brian Lehmann, and Coach Paul Page. Middle row: Matt Arendall, Kyle Falkner, Jason Custer, Bobby Flores, Josh Smith, Jeffrey Murray, and Justin Coker. Front Row: Carlos Flores, Trey Kittley, Tom Navarrette and Barry Standefer. Photo by KIS

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Obituaries

P. G. Beauchamp, Sr.

Funeral services for P. G. Beauchamp, 91, of Rule and formerly of Brownfield were held Thurs., Dec. 9 at First Baptist Church in Rochester with Elder Dale Turner and Rev. Scott Hensley officiating. Burial was in Rochester Cemetery.

Mr. Beauchamp died Tues., Dec. 7 at his home in Rule.

Born Jan. 3, 1908 in Haskell Co., he married Bertie McNeil March 28, 1926 in Anson. He grew up in Haskell and moved to Brownfield in 1952 where he worked as a farmer and carpenter. He retired in 1974 and had been a resident of Rule since 1982. He was a member of Primitive Baptist Church in Rule.

He was preceded in death by one son, P. G.

O. V. Kreger

Funeral services for O. V. Kreger, 84, lifelong Haskell County resident, were held Tues., Dec. 14 at First Christian Church with Rev. Dusty Garrison officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery.

Mr. Kreger died Sun., Dec. 12 at a local hospital.

Born Dec. 19, 1914 in Haskell County, he married Cortez 'Corky' Wilson July 18, 1936 in Haskell. She preceded him in death Jan. 10, 1980. He worked in maintenance for the Haskell CISD for 15 years and was a farmer. He was a member of the First Christian Church in Haskell where he served as an elder for many years.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Alvin and

Beauchamp, Jr. in 1964; four brothers and three sisters.

Survivors include his wife of Rule; two daughters, Ada Pope of Haskell and Joyce Hester of Rule; two sons, Jim Beauchamp of Rochester and Larry Beauchamp of Round Rock; two sisters, Mary Qualls of Benbrook and Ruth Gardner of Monrovia, Calif.; 15 grandchildren; 17 great grandchildren and 5 great-great grandchildren.

Pallbearers were grandsons, James Beauchamp, Jim Beauchamp, John Beauchamp, Joe Hester, Rocky Boggs, Larry Boggs and Johnny Pope.

Honorary pallbearers were Frank Jenkins, Alton Hester, Joseph Thigpen, Bill Neeley, Bill Tate, Pete Phillips, Leroy Wilson and Cecil Bingham.

Bert Kreger.

Survivors include two sons, Glenn Kreger of New Home and Jerry Kreger of Haskell; one daughter, Mylta Kimbler of Haskell; five grandchildren, Craig Kimbler of Dublin, Shawn Kreger of Amarillo, Brandie Hietman of Canton, Morgan Kreger of Quinlan, and Shannon Bailey of Lubbock; and eleven great grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Sam Pace, W. O. Nanny, Joel Nanny, Danny Josselet, Woody Turnbow and James Crawford.

Honorary pallbearers were the deacons and elders of First Christian Church, Joe Thigpen, Lynn Pace, Jr., Riley J. 'Bud' Pace and Roy Pittman.



AT DISTRICT FOOD SHOW—Haskell County 4-H'ers recently participated in the District 4-H Food Show in Wichita Falls. Pictured, back, l-r, are Hayley Herode, Rochester, Derrick Tribbey, Tabitha Coker, Robbyn Tribbey, all of Haskell, and Abby Dudensing, Sagerton. Front, l-r, MacKenzie Miller, Rule, Gay Lynn Gary, Kyla Jones, Haskell and Miranda Robertson, Rule.

Reduce stress during the holidays

by Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
The holiday season can be a stressful period. People feel that they are operating in low gear, tired, draggy and worn out from trying to get everything done. Add to this fact that kids are just about

as wound up, or more so, than you, and you're close to a holiday stress alert.

Family development specialist Rosemarie Hoffman has some tips for reducing the stress on people's time energy, budget and emotional reserve.

First, don't put your health last on your "to do" list. Make sure that you get your normal amount of sleep. Exercise. Don't neglect any ongoing medical problems. Keep your eating habits as normal as possible. Make things easy by keeping plans realistic. For example, choose a non-Saturday night for entertaining such as a weeknight dessert party, a week-end brunch, or a tea.

Hoffman suggests entertaining cooperatively with one or more of your friends. Each invites an equal number of guests and shares all the work and expense. She says to do

as much as you can in advance. When guests ask to bring something, let them. Assign specific items to eliminate duplication. Most importantly, learn to say "no" when both yourself and the demands of others get out of control.

It's also important to not compare your holiday festivities and activities to those of your friends and relatives. There will always be someone that can give more and do more than you can realistically fit into your schedule.

Remember, your family want you, not a house that can pass the white glove test or the most elaborately decorated house in the neighborhood. You can let some things slide, even the diet, the laundry and the vacuuming, but don't let the opportunity for close family relationships slide by.

Hospital

Admissions

Clara Gary, Haskell
Weldon Hardy, Haskell
Margaret Santerre, Haskell
Ola Lisle, Rule
Francis Moorhouse, Benjamin
Jerry Teague, Haskell

Dismissals

Doris Martin, Thomas
Hamilton, G. A. Roberts, Pauline
Long, Anthony Haynes

Sales tax

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percent increase for December, 1999 of \$27,140.31 in comparison to \$20,189.62 for December, 1998. 1999 payments to date of \$305,464.64 reflect a 6.67 percent decrease over 1998 payments to date of \$327,307.72.

O'Brien had a 52.57 percent increase for December, 1999 of \$59.00 in comparison to \$38.67

for December, 1998. 1999 payments to date of \$1,076.04 reflect a 37.87 percent decrease over 1998 payments to date of \$1,732.13.

Rochester had a 67.36 percent increase for December, 1999 of \$655.22 in comparison to \$391.49 for December, 1998. 1999 payments to date of \$6,839.55 reflect a 20.44 percent decrease over

1998 payments to date of \$8,597.04.

Rule had a 117.41 percent increase for December, 1999 of \$1,783.39 in comparison to \$820.28 for December, 1998. 1999 payments to date of \$14,764.39 reflect a 8.36 percent decrease over 1998 payments to date of \$16,112.29.

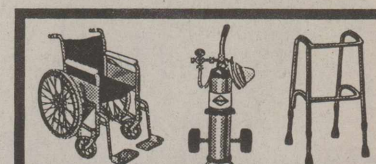
Weinert had a 57.50 percent increase for December, 1999 of \$134.15 in comparison to \$85.17 for December, 1998. 1999 payments to date of \$2,228.49 reflect a 10.21 percent increase over 1998 payments to date of \$2,022.00.

Ross Bullinger named Mohair Incentive winner

Ross Bullinger, a freshman student at Haskell High School has been named a Mohair Incentive winner in the national level Make It Yourself With Wool or Mohair Contest.

Bullinger is the son of Dale and Valiene Bullinger. As a Mohair winner he will receive gift certificates for fabrics containing mohair. Also, as a contestant, he will receive two and a half yards of Pendleton fabric furnished by the Texas Sheep and Goat Raiser's Auxiliary.

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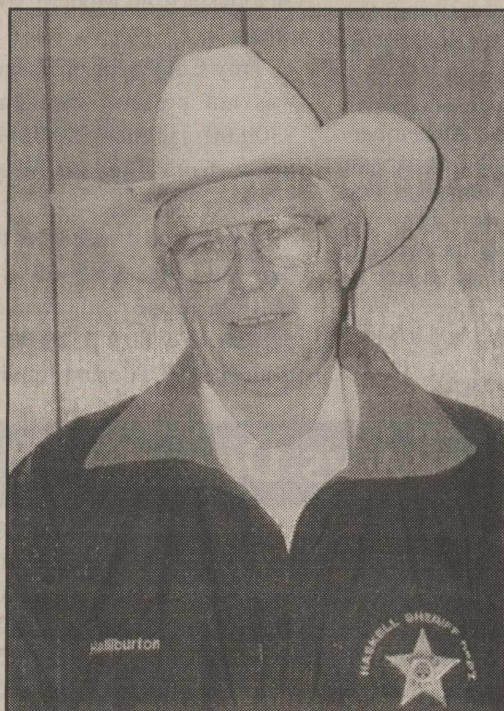
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Halliburton seeking candidacy for SHERIFF of Haskell County

David Halliburton, a long time deputy sheriff of Haskell County is announcing his candidacy for the office of the Sheriff of Haskell County on the Democratic ticket.

Deputy Halliburton has been working in the Sheriff's Department of Haskell County for 12 years. Halliburton says, "It has been a pleasure to work for and with the retiring Sheriff, Johnny L. Mills."

I have the experience and knowledge of how the Sheriff's Department and jail needs to be operated. Haskell County jail has passed state jail inspection for the last 20 years. I will continue to make sure the jail passes state jail inspection in the future. As a Deputy, I have worked in all phases of the department, investigation, serving civil process, jailer and dispatching, and aiding and assisting other agencies and in working traffic and drug interdiction. I also worked 2 years for the Rule Police Department, before being hired as a Deputy. I hold the Advanced Peace Officer Certificate and Jailer Certificate. I also have had over 833 hours of training in law enforcement and will continue taking new and updated courses.

If elected, I will see that all employees will be certified in all positions and also keep up their training.

I have a good working relationship with other agencies in the county as well as surrounding counties, Haskell, Rule and Rochester Police Departments, Texas Department of Public Safety, TxDOT, Game Warden, Con-

stable, and all local Fire Departments. I will see that all employees will have the same working relationship with other agencies that I have.

I will have an "Open Door" policy to all of the citizens of Haskell County. I will continue to take interest in all of the calls that are reported to the Department. All calls will be answered in person and a prompt and professional manner, as I have done in the past.

We are going into a new millennium, it is my goal to update and bring the Department up to new levels and use the new technology to aid and solve crimes in the County.

Claire and I have been married for 33 years. She is employed by Double Mountain Coach. We have three grown sons and one grandson, James, Bianca, Ty; Jason; Justin. We are members of the Church of Christ in Rule. I was born in Haskell County and graduated from Rochester High School. I was in the U. S. Army three years and a veteran of Viet Nam.

Halliburton says, I would appreciate your support and vote in the Democratic Primary Election. The citizens of Haskell County are my number one priority. Since I am still working for the Department with ongoing offenses to investigate and other duties within, I may not have the opportunity to greet and meet each of you but will make every effort to do so. If I miss anyone, it certainly will not be intentional.

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Flu symptoms or carbon monoxide poisoning?

by Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
A professional inspection of all gas equipment in your house could save your life and the lives of your loved ones. Flu or bad cold symptoms such as headaches, nausea, pains and mental confusion may actually be caused by gases in your home.

There are two kinds of dangerous gases that can leak into your home. One you can smell and one you can't smell.

You probably know that if you smell gas you should immediately shut down your furnace, heater, or cook stove and call for help. This is the gas that is delivered to your home from the gas company through the pipeline or from your propane tank. There is a special chemical put into these gases to make them smell like rotten eggs so you will be sure and notice it if there is a leak. If either of these gases were to build up in your home, it could explode and destroy your home.

The other dangerous gas is actually produced inside your home. It is produced by incomplete combustion or poor ventilation of fuel-burning appliances such as oil or gas furnaces, gas cooking appliances, water heaters, fireplaces or wood stoves. This gas is the same toxic gas that comes out of the tail pipe of your car if you leave it in a closed garage with the engine running. It is called carbon monoxide. You cannot smell it. Even though carbon monoxide will not explode, it can be dangerous (even deadly) to you and your family.

Two common sources of carbon monoxide in homes in Texas are the gas furnace heat exchanger and the gas hot water heater. As homes have been built to be more energy efficient, they have fewer places where fresh air can leak into the home. In order for fuel-burning equipment to operate correctly and safely, it must have a source of fresh air for complete combustion. If the fresh air is not available, the equipment will pull the

combustion gases back into the house rather than exhausting them up the flue.

Things you can do to protect yourself and family are:

1. Have your furnace checked and adjusted by a professional to be sure the burner and vent systems are operating properly and that the heat exchanger has no cracks.

2. Visually inspect the area around your furnace to make sure there is enough air flow for the burner to bring in fresh air. The furnace should not be in a tightly sealed space.

3. Inspect both the water heater and furnace flue for internal obstruction or leaks around the joints.

4. Test a gas water heater while the burner is on by holding a lighted match under the draft hood. A match that flickers downward or goes out may indicate an exhaust backflow. The flame of the match should burn upward toward the flue.

5. Burn fireplace or wood stove with damper open so that all combustion gases will flow to the outside.

6. Secure carbon-monoxide detectors and place at least one near sleeping area and others near the fireplace, furnace and near any other fuel burning appliances.

7. Select a detector that has Consumer Product Safety Commission and Underwriters Laboratories seals of approval.

8. If a carbon-monoxide detector activates, call the fire department. They have sensing equipment to determine where dangerous levels of carbon monoxide are located since home detectors are made to alert before the environment is hazardous, this gives the homeowner a chance to contact appropriate service personnel to fix the problem.

9. If any person in the area when the alarm sounds has an extreme headache, nausea, flu-like symptoms of disorientation, they should be transported to the nearest emergency care facility and checked for carbon monoxide poisoning.



JASON FLOYD - SHAYLA JETER

Jeter, Floyd plan February wedding

Shayla Jeter, daughter of Rod Jeter of Haskell and Carolyn Davis of Bryan, and Jason Floyd, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Floyd of Robstown have announced their engagement.

The couple plans to be married Feb. 12, at the Arlington Heights Church of Christ in Corpus Christi.

The bride-elect is a December graduate of Texas A&M University

in College Station, with a degree in Disciplinary Studies. She is planning to pursue a career in early childhood education.

The bridegroom-elect is a May graduate of Texas A&M University, College Station, with a degree in Agricultural Development. He is employed by Floyd Insurance in Robstown, where the couple will reside.

Homespun holds holiday social

Cherry greetings and gala holiday sweater vests filled the kitchen of the county Extension Building at the December meeting of the Homespun FCE group.

A covered dish meal, with each member contributing, was the central pleasure of the evening.

Lena Tidwell, president, presented Lou Gilly, County

Extension Agent, with gifts of appreciation for her leadership and assistance throughout the year.

Lively conversation, good food and collection of goodies for the Noah Project completed a most successful gathering for the night and a proper finale to our 1999 year.

Births

Andy and Leann Little of San Antonio are proud to announce the birth of their son, Zane Michael. He was welcomed home by big brother, Drew.

Zane Michael was born Nov. 18 at 12:08 p.m. He weighed 7 pounds and was 18 1/2 inches long.

Grandparents are Bud and Wanda Turnbow of Haskell.

Monty and Dana Moeller of Bowie are happy to announce the arrival of a baby daughter, Marli Jo, born Nov. 10 weighing 8 lbs., 8 oz.

She is welcomed by big brother, Hayden, grandparents Roger and Mollie Moeller of Haskell and great grandmother Alma Terrell of Haskell.

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Brandon Anderson speaks at Garden Club meeting

The Haskell Garden Club met Thurs., Dec. 9 at the bank community room.

The guest speaker was Brandon Anderson, Haskell County Ag Agent. He spoke about xeriscaping and millennium gardening. Everything he said fit right in with the study and information of the day. Questions and answers from Anderson were very helpful.

Anderson said the best time to water was in the evening. He said aspirin keeps the water fresh and he also said the flowers should be cut several times in the container to let the water fill the stems.

Members brought angels to set on the table; they were nice to go with the flowers. There were several angels exhibited and were obviously in tune with the flowers in many ways.

A short business meeting was held. One hundred and fifty dollars will be donated to the Haskell High School scholarship fund.

Those present were: Erna Peiser, Ruby Holt, Wanda Ham, Dee Sprayberry, Mary Kammenga,

Marjorie Dorner, Melyn Wittenborn, Florence Peden, Betty LeFevre, Hazel Hale, Bennie Shelton, Birdie Fischer, Sharon Lusk, Frances Bowen, Dee Hertel and Gladys O'Neal.

Historical Society installs new officers

The Haskell County Historical and Genealogical Society held a meeting Dec. 6 at the First National Bank Community Room. A business meeting followed by snacks to celebrate the holidays was held.

At the business meeting, new officers were installed, a donation was approved and new programs for the upcoming year were discussed.

Present were Johnny and Teresa Scoggins, Lowell and Eula Peters, Dolin and Carolyn Hughes, Wanda Ham, Maxine Miller, Jerri Buerger, Erma Liles, June White, Mae Lou Yeldell and Angela Jordan.

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OPINION



State Capital

HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — Texas Attorney General John Cornyn last week introduced Texas Exile, a state-wide initiative to get guns out of the hands of felons and keep gun-law violators in jail longer.

It is illegal under state and federal law for a felon to possess or use a firearm.

Mayors, district attorneys and U.S. attorneys will join Cornyn in introducing Texas Exile in Austin, San Antonio, Corpus Christi, Brownsville, Tyler, Beaumont and El Paso. Announcements already have been made in Dallas and Houston.

Cornyn appointed William Sessions as state chairman of Texas Exile. Sessions, a former federal judge who also served as FBI director from 1987 to 1993, will oversee eight attorneys who will prosecute felons caught possessing firearms. Violators will be prosecuted under a federal gun statute and the longest possible sentences will be sought.

"Today we are sending a clear message to criminals: Gun crime means hard time. If you carry a firearm illegally in Texas, you will go to prison," Cornyn said Dec. 6. The attorney general's new public awareness campaign slogan, "Gun Crime Means Hard Time," will appear on billboards and in broadcast advertising across the state.

Modeled after Project Exile, a successful initiative launched in Virginia in 1997, Texas Exile is funded by a \$1.6 million grant from the Governor's Criminal Justice Division.

Insurers to Run Y2K Checks
Insurance Commissioner Jose Montemayor has directed all insurance companies and groups operating in Texas to evaluate their computer systems right after New Year's Day and report whether the year 2000 computer programming problem affected their operations and customer service.

The so-called "Y2K glitch," if uncorrected, may cause certain computers read the date "00" as the year 1900 instead of 2000.

Montemayor also told insurers to back up their financial, claims, policy administration, sales and all other mission-critical data files if they have not done so already and to continue archiving this information through the first quarter of 2000.

Y2K problems such as improperly canceled policies and billing system failures could result if

company computers and software fail to handle dates properly in 2000.

According to the Department of Insurance, of 534 Texas-based "domestic" insurance companies, only eight are considered at risk of not being ready for Y2K. The rest are either considered Y2K-ready now or are on schedule to be ready before Jan. 1.

Drinking Water to Be Tested
The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission has received EPA approval of its Source Water Assessment Protection Program.

By May 2003, more than 16,000 public drinking water sources in Texas will be tested under the program.

Results of the testing will be public information. Among the data will be sources and possible sources of contamination and contaminants found in the water.

Online Auction Is Under Way
Unclaimed property will be auctioned online, Dec. 10 through Dec. 16, Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander announced.

The agency will use online auctions at www.eBay.com, www.Yahoo.com and www.Amazon.com to sell 81 items including jewelry, silver flatware, stamps, coins, currency and collectibles. Items up for auction came from unclaimed safe deposit boxes turned over to the state from banks that were unable to locate the property owners.

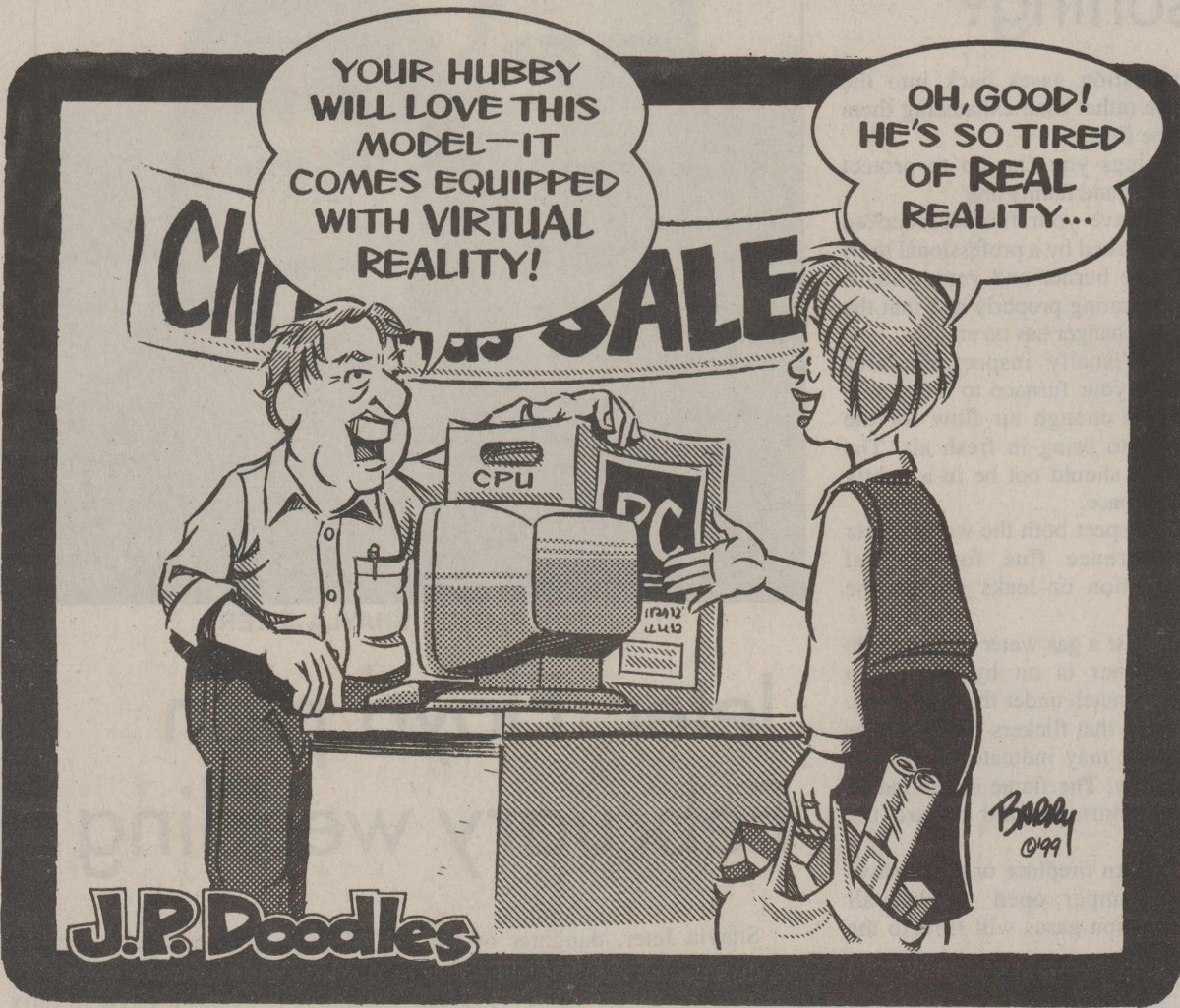
Texas is the first state to hold an online auction to dispose of unclaimed items from safe deposit boxes, Rylander said.

Prison Guards March
State prison guards marched to the Capitol Dec. 4 to persuade Gov. George W. Bush to call a special session of the Legislature to seek pay raises.

Bush's spokeswoman Linda Edwards said the governor will not call a special session to consider pay raises.

Wayne Scott, executive director of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, said Texas prison employees rank 46th in the nation in pay.

Other Highlights
■ Some 200,000 revelers are expected to attend Austin's downtown New Year's Eve party. At about 6 p.m. on Dec. 31, Congress Avenue will be converted into a ballroom. Name bands will be playing and admission will be free.



From The Inside Out

By Mary Kaigler

When it came to choosing a house after they moved three years ago to live and farm in the Jud area, Jim Hollingsworth, chairman of the Haskell County Historical Society, and his wife Margo, went all out to stay "historical."

The house they chose is on farmland Jim purchased from the Ed Lewis Estate. It is only two miles from where Jim's great-grandfather, James Harvey Hollingsworth, bought the family farm from the Holcombs in 1905.

Located overlooking the Brazos River, which cuts its way through the bottom of the valley with an unusual northward flow (the Brazos being one of two rivers in the United States that do), the house affords a view that Margo Hollingsworth describes as "so beautiful, it can be seen but not explained."

After a three year stint of living in a trailer house which Jim said could have qualified them for a membership in a submarine club, they have now moved into their "new" home, saying the wait was worth it.

As a Rochester grade school student, Jim got his start playing football under coach Troy Gauntt. Later he was a business man in the metropolitan area of Dallas. Both Jim and Margo share the view of his late father, Little Ed Hollingsworth, who described Dallas as a "concrete jungle." After

moving to Haskell County, Margo, who is of Amish heritage and new to West Texas, immediately fell in love with the land and the people.

Their house was built in 1905 by Mr. Sager, for whom the town of Sagerton was named. The last owner, Lois Monse, inherited it from her aunt, Mrs. Lena Schaake, who died in the early 90's. She sold the house for eight hundred dollars, and it was then moved to the Jud area.

The house was called a box-house, because the studs are flat between the walls. The goal to return the house to its original condition turned out to be a major undertaking.

Made entirely of wood, the ceiling and walls were beaded board. These were hidden from view until Nathan Bowles and Margo took off the paneling, then several layers of wallpaper, then drywall, then more layers of wallpaper before finding the original wood. Thanks to Gwen Campbell of Haskell, an old garage that was built at approximately the same time as the house, furnished some badly needed matching lumber.

James Schmoker of Vernon, a lifelong friend described by Jim as a "jack-of-all-trades," came to stay and help rebuild the dilapidated old house. After about three months nearly all the floor joists and two-by-fours had been replaced, the house rewired, insulation added to

the walls and ceilings, and new siding and cabinets installed. Some of the beaded boards were cut away to enlarge the rooms, and a new cedar shake roof was put on.

But, even old friends can only go so far, and Schmoker needed to go home to his family. Jim said, "My only thought is that he is one fine German friend who took us through the darkest days. I took off (from the job), and it took a little time to get back in the saddle."

Early in November the Hollingsworths were introduced to Terry Threet of Rule, who they soon learned, knew how to get the job done for them. Through his skill and endurance, they were able to move into the house the day after Thanksgiving.

Some of those who visited the old house when the Hollingsworths first began working on it didn't think it was worth saving. However, Jim said some of them have come back in awe, not believing its transformation into such a magnificent structure. "Threet has done the finish work on the old house with professional skills," he said.

After spending two nights in the renewed 94 year old structure, and many years of collecting antiques and old items, everything seems to fit. "Being here is like being in a little piece of heaven," Margo Hollingsworth stated, "I hope it will be our last home."

From Out of the Past

From the files of
The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago December 14, 1989

James Rike was named the most valuable player in the Wylie Catclaw Basketball tournament. He scored 105 points in three games to lead the Indians to the championship.

Dala Harris of Haskell was named "player of the week" for the McMurry Lady Indians. She is a freshman at McMurry.

Mae Speck served as hostess to 17 members and five guests of the Rochester Hobby Club.

20 Years Ago December 13, 1979

The Progressive Study Club enjoyed a night of Christmas when Kathryn Crawley, consultant for Lone Star Gas, shared Christmas recipes and decorating ideas with the club.

The Haskell Cowbells met at the Haskell Steak House on Sat. evening to enjoy a Christmas buffet with their husbands and guests. Jenny Brazell, president, welcomed the guests. Guests were Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Vaughter, Mrs. Vivian Roberson and Lori Lane.

The Haskell FFA and the Kiwanis Club sponsored a Christmas party for several elementary students. The students enjoyed singing Christmas carols, a visit from Santa Claus and refreshments.

30 Years Ago December 11, 1969

Haskell Indians named to first team All-District on defense were Clifford Campbell, Roy Pittman, Keith Everett, Terry Chapman and Lanny Ivy. Offensive first team is Lanny Ivy, Roy Pittman, Clifford Campbell, Gary Mayfield and Charles Franklin.

Miss Ruth Ann Fansler, County Home Demonstration Agent, has resigned to enter private business and begin work on a Master's degree in her native Okla.

Haskell Business and Professional Womens Club held their annual Christmas dinner in the City Cafe dining room. Mike Abbott, minister of the Christian Church, spoke to the group on the subject, "Time for Meditation."

40 Years Ago December 10, 1959

A Hereford steer owned and exhibited by Ricky Perry of the Paint Creek 4-H Club was named grand champion of the annual Haskell County 4-H Club steer show.

Weinert Study Club met at the Community Center for the annual all-day meeting to make toys and dress dolls for a Christmas box to be packed for a children's home.

Three Haskell Indians are on the All-District football team selected by the coaches. Named on the All-District offensive team were: Jimmy Long, Gary Anthony and Tom Anderson.

50 Years Ago December 15, 1949

Mrs. J. S. Boone, pioneer resident of Haskell, was honored on her 93rd birthday with a turkey dinner given in her home by her daughters, Mrs. Tommie B. Hawkins and Beryle Boone.

Vera Sue Couch was crowned football queen and Alfon Peiser was crowned king at the Mattson annual football banquet given by the pep squad.

The Indian pep squad and band hosted the annual dinner honoring the HHS football team. Honored guests for the occasion were members of the teams, managers and coaches. Other guests among the 200 that attended were band and pep squad members, sponsors and faculty members.

90 Years Ago December 11, 1909

The Commissioners Court is having the courthouse repaired. The work being done includes almost a new roof for the building and cupola, which was badly damaged by the hail and storm last June.

The Magazine Club met with Mrs. S. R. Rike as program director. The meeting was held in the library in the McConnell Building.

R. C. Whitmire is moving from the Sayles community to Haskell. M. H. Guinn has bought the Whitmire place.

Ask the AG

By John Cornyn, Attorney General

Q: I have heard something about a new program that is meant to fight gun crimes. Can you explain it?

A: The Office of the Attorney General has received a grant of \$1.6 million for a project called Texas Exile.

Exile is a zero-tolerance program to get illegal guns off the streets and out of the hands of criminals. When an armed criminal is arrested, he or she will face swift prosecution and stiff mandatory sentences and be exiled from the community.

This grant will fund eight special prosecutors whose job will be to crack down on criminals who use guns. These special prosecutors will work with all four assistant US attorneys in the state as well as several district attorneys to prosecute these criminals.

Under Texas Exile, when law enforcement officials catch a criminal using a gun while committing a

crime, they will refer the case to these specialized prosecutors. These prosecutors will use federal gun statutes to seek the longest possible sentence for these criminals. Not only will criminals be put in jail, they will be in jail longer.

In many cases, convicted felons, drug dealers and persons convicted of domestic violence who are caught with a gun, will be sentenced to five years in federal prison. If convicted felons are involved in illegal acts when arrested, they will serve even longer sentences.

In addition, Texas Exile will help to prevent homicides before they occur by strictly enforcing laws that prohibit convicted felons from possessing a weapon. Persons convicted of domestic violence or subject to a family restraining order will also face tougher mandatory sentences for weapons possession.

By using these standards, habitual offenders will be kept off the streets, and potential offenders will be discouraged from committing weapons-related crimes by the potential of long jail terms.

Texas Exile is based on Project Exile, a successful program that was started in Richmond, Virginia in

1997 to reduce gun crime.

At the time, Richmond had the second-highest murder rate in the country. Since 1997, over 300 criminals in Richmond have been sent to jail. The city's murder rate has dropped by a third and violent crime has dropped by 50 percent.

In addition to the sentencing phase of Texas Exile, the program will feature a public awareness campaign aimed at criminals. I will be taking the program's slogan, "Gun Crime Means Hard Time," to the streets through billboards, posters on public transportation and newspaper ads. This public awareness campaign tells criminals that if they commit a crime with a gun, they will spend time in jail.

The posters, billboards and ads will also include a toll-free hotline for tips on illegal weapons.

Texas Exile sends a clear message to convicted felons and drug dealers. If you carry a weapon in Texas, you'll do hard time in jail. I want to thank the Governor, federal and state prosecutors and local law enforcement officials for their support in this important effort. We will make our streets safe for the law-abiding citizens of our state.

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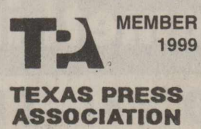
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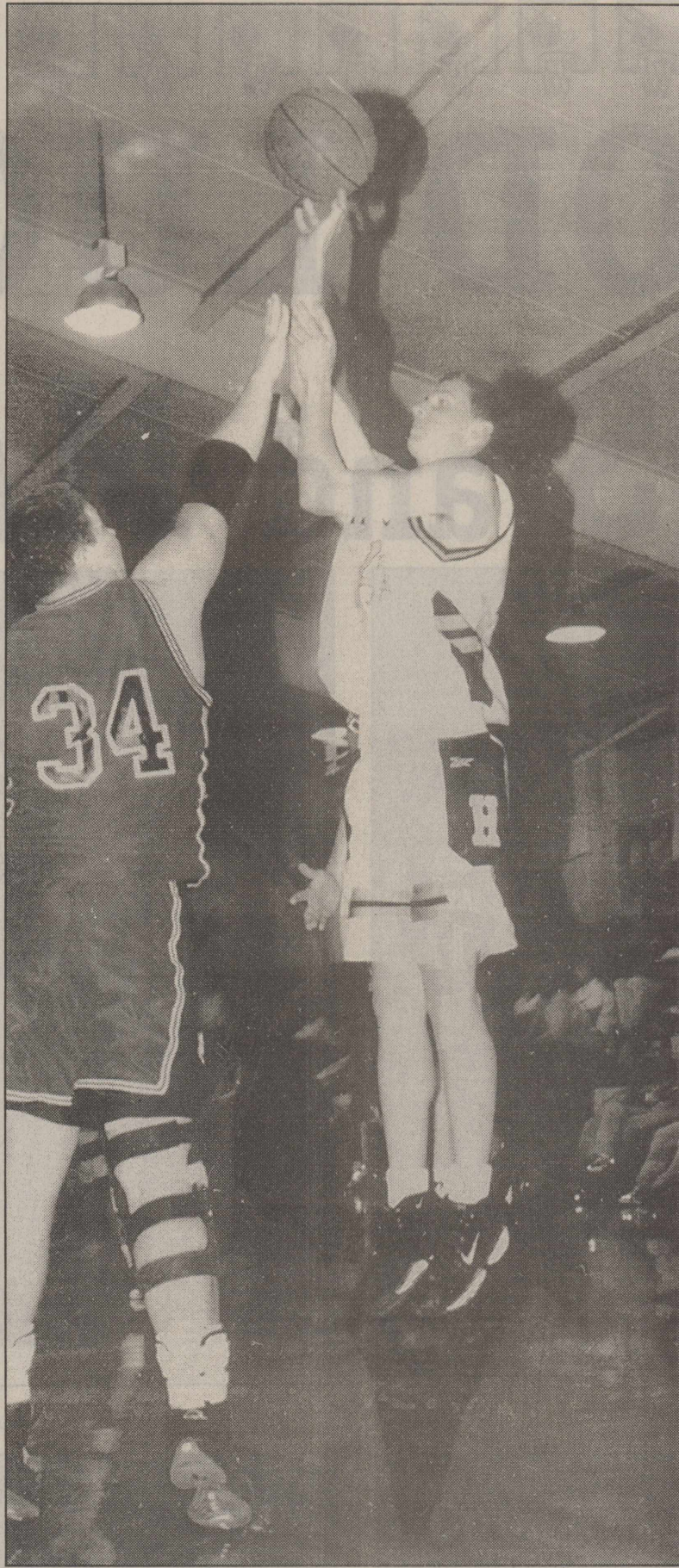
Never tell anyone your Social Security number, credit card number or other confidential information over the telephone unless you originate the call to someone you know is legitimate. The best way to keep your name from being added to marketing lists

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Marketers seek data that include your income, products or stores you like and how much you typically spend on purchases. You should be wary of entering drawings, joining membership clubs at stores and Internet sites that ask for such personal information.

Tons of junk e-mail are distributed daily. Advertisers have found an inexpensive way to get their message out to the consumer. Unfortunately it is at the cost of your time. You have two options: send a reply message requesting your solicitor to "stop" sending you e-mails or merely delete these messages without response. The latter may be the best option because some junk e-mailers await your reply to confirm the validity of your address. Once you return their message, you may have added your name onto a list of confirmed addresses to be sold or used again for different promotions.

Solicitors will not go away—use these tips to dodge a few.



AIRBORNE INDIAN—Haskell's #44 Craig Cunningham, goes up for a basket in the game with Ballinger. Photo by Bill Blankenship

Eating before going to a party might help keep weight off

Most holiday activities involve lots of foods that are high in fat and calories, but with a bit of planning you might be able to glide through the season without gaining a pound.

"Before going to a party or other function, have a little appetite-quencher so you don't arrive hungry and eat everything in sight," said Becky Gorham, a nutritionist with the USDA/ARS Children's Nutrition Research Center at Baylor College of

Medicine in Houston. "Many times we eat foods we don't even like just to satisfy hunger pangs."

Gorham also recommends making exercise a part of your holiday activities. If you cannot find 30 minutes a day to work out, walk a few laps around the mall or park a little bit further away from stores. This way you can get a little exercise while accomplishing your goals. Also, try to focus more on spending time with family and friends and less on food.

Start a memorable holiday tradition

Focusing on the true meaning of the holidays is possible. It just takes a little work and a reshuffling of priorities.

"We need to be careful about sending the right message to our children," said Dr. Debbie Ebner, a clinical psychologist at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston. "Are we running around trying to find the most popular toys and gifts or are we creating some special memories?"

Get the family involved by encouraging everyone's participation. Make a list of tasks, set spending limits and solicit volunteers. Offer assistance and guidance as needed. Older children can work with younger siblings to make decorations and cookies and wrap gifts. Small children can apply stamps or stickers to greeting card envelopes. Everyone can help with the holiday meal by

choosing a dish or decorating the dinner table.

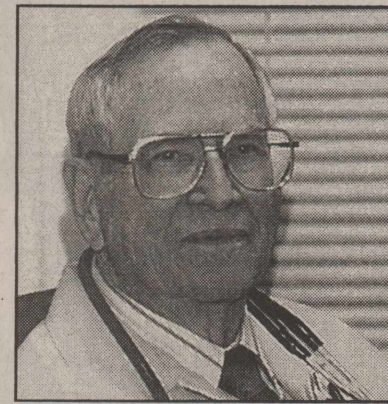
Agree on at least one family activity—decorating the tree, selecting a needy family or charity, creating a holiday scrapbook or piling in the car to look at Christmas lights.

Students in the news

Aaron Earles of Haskell and Benjamin Pace of Rule have been named to the Fall 1999 President's Honor Roll at Texas State Technical College at Sweetwater.

To be recognized for their academic excellence on the President's Honor Roll, students must earn a 4.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Earles attends the TSTC Sweetwater Campus. Pace attends the school's Abilene Center.



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As of Jan. 1, 2000, I will be retiring from the practice of medicine. I have worked in the Haskell Clinic 52 1/2 years. Many joys have come to me from being able to help others, deliver many at your births and, often, share in your sorrows and losses.

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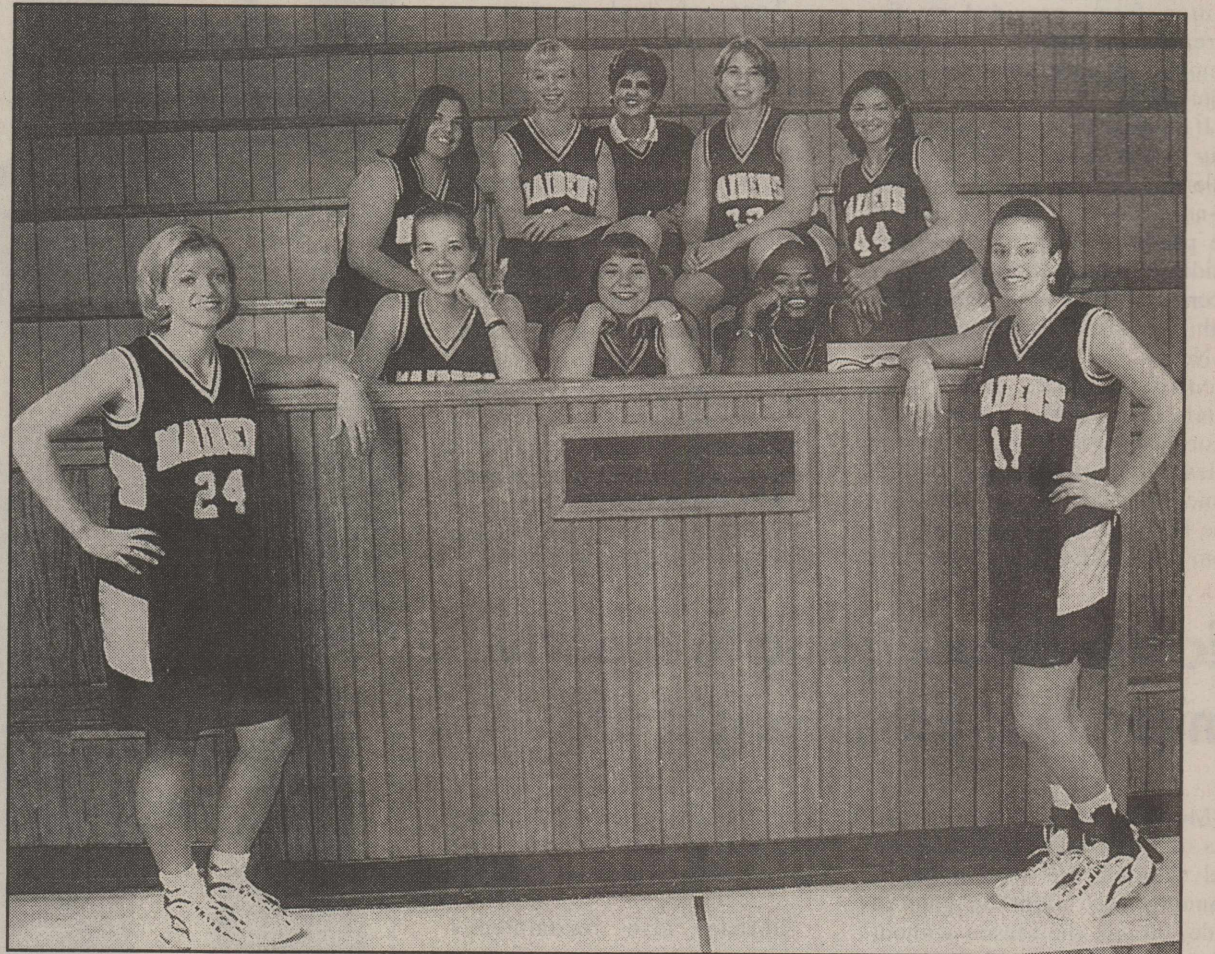
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Fireworks celebration planned in Jud for Y2K

The Haskell County Historical Commission is planning a Williams Edward Hollingsworth Memorial Fireworks event on New Years Eve.

Fireworks will be set off at midnight at the Jim Hollingsworth farm, located five miles west of Hwy. 6 at the intersection of FM 2407 and County Road 145. The fireworks display will be on the west side of County Road 146 on thirty acres of land which has been prepared for the event. Viewing will be possible for miles around.

William Edward Hollingsworth, for whom the celebration is named, was born in Ellis County in 1882, moved to Haskell County as a young boy, and lived in the area as a farmer and cowboy. He married Della Ferguson in Haskell County in 1906. The couple lived their final years in Rule before Ed passed away in 1962.

Jim Hollingsworth of Jud, gives the following account of his grandfather.

"My grandpa grew up when times were tough. There were no cars, no movies, no televisions. During the years of World War II when everything was rationed and parts were impossible to get. Grandpa's neighbor came by and needed a part for his windmill. The man was desperate because his cattle would start dying if they did not get water. Grandpa had a spare part, and told the man it had cost him \$4.00. When the man insisted that it was worth \$50.00 because of his desperate need, Grandpa looked at the man and told him that if he wanted the part, just give him \$4.00."

Jim said his Grandpa received a third grade education in a one room

school house, the Four Corner School at Marcy. "Before I started school," Jim said, "he taught me how to count and to understand math systems that enabled me to go through college without needing to buy a math book."

For a man who was never elected to anything, never rich, never graduated from any school, Jim said his grandfather was the smartest man he has ever met. "He had the greatest values a man can possess--principles. If I ever come to another world, I hope I can find a man like my grandpa to be my teacher."

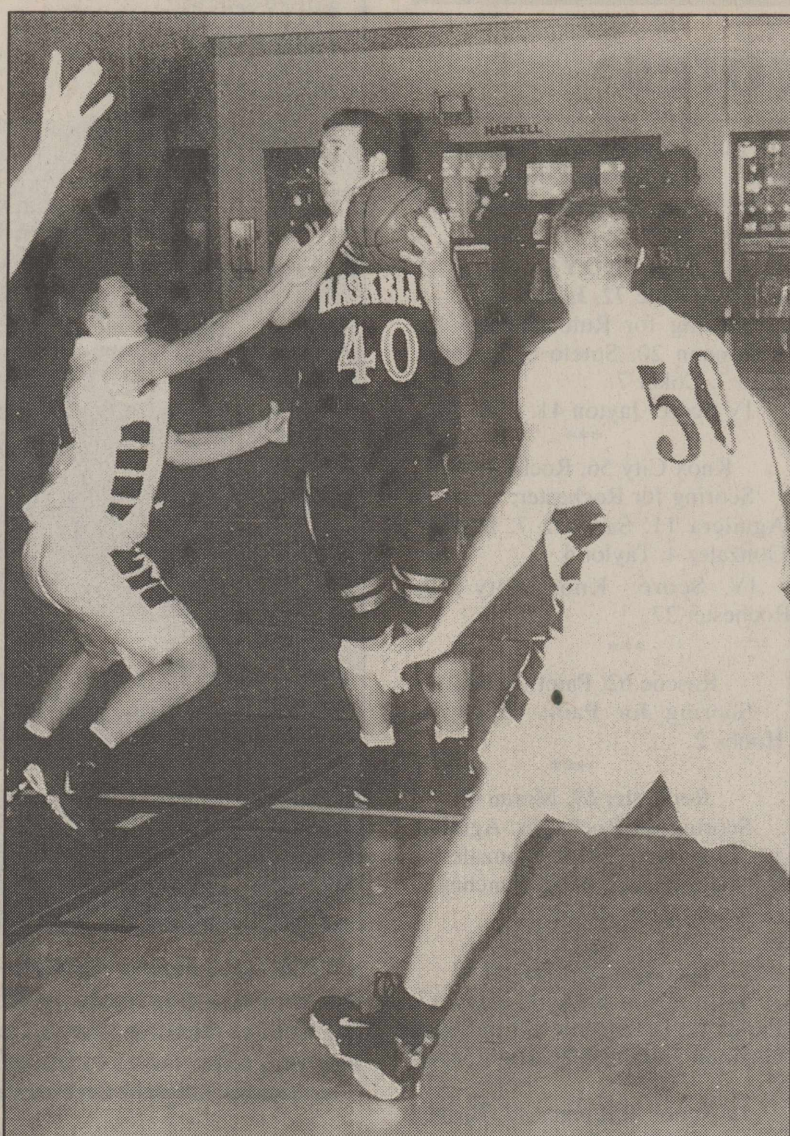
The New Year's Eve fireworks display planned by the Haskell County Historical Commission at the transition from one century to the next is dedicated to this man because of a conversation between grandpa and grandson back in 1944.

Jim Hollingsworth was five years old, and Ed Hollingsworth was explaining the numbering of years to him. He told the young boy about how everyone celebrated when the 1800s had turned to the 1900s. The young Jim looked forward to the year 2000 when he and his grandfather could celebrate with a big party. With a wistful look and a shake of his head, Ed told him, "I won't be here, son."

"Oh, you *have* to be here. Grandpa," Jim cried.

Now, 56 years later, Jim Hollingsworth is celebrating the year 2000 in honor of the man whom he loved most.

Inviting everyone to come share in the country celebration, he said that parking along FM 2407 for a mile east of County Road 146 will provide a prime view of the fireworks celebrating the new millennium.



INDIANS vs INDIANS—Haskell Indian #40, Coy Hise is guarded by the Comanche Indians during the Wylie Basketball Tournament. Photo by Bill Blankenship

Helpful medications ease cold symptoms

by Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
There is no known medication that will cure the common cold. There are, however, drugs that may help relieve the uncomfortable symptoms. But, with so many choices today, how do you know which drug to choose? Here are a few definitions that may be helpful in making your decision.

1.) Antihistamines are drugs that dry up a runny nose and relieve sneezing. They should not be used when congested because they can thicken mucus making it more difficult to drain.

2.) Pain relievers (e.g., acetaminophen, ibuprofen, naproxen, aspirin) can help to relieve sore throat pain, headache and fever. Never give a child under age 2 aspirin because it can cause a serious illness known as Reye's Syndrome.

3.) Decongestants are drugs that can relieve sinus pressure and stuffy nose and ears. Be sure to

follow package and doctor instructions. Limit the use of nasal spray to a few days, unless otherwise directed by your doctor.

4.) Cough suppressants are drugs that can help relieve a cough and can be particularly helpful when a cough is keeping you awake when you are trying to sleep.

5.) Nasal strips contain no drugs and therefore, are a safe way to try to relieve congested nasal passages.

Please note that this information is supplemental and should not replace the advice of your health care provider. Always follow your doctor's instructions or the instructions on the package label.

It's never too late to start planning for retirement

It's never too early to start planning for retirement. People are living longer, staying more active and facing higher medical costs. Do not assume Social Security and corporate pensions alone will carry you through your golden years. Expenses are often more than you anticipate.

With early planning, you can gradually accumulate a fairly large sum of money. Various types of retirement accounts are available. Do your homework to find which one matches your current budget and will supply you with the kind of lifestyle you foresee. The most common are the Individual Retirement Account (IRA) and employer-established accounts like 401(k) and Keogh.

Corporate employee packages are great opportunities that can build quickly because they are tax deferred and reduce your taxable income. Since these investments can be tax-friendly, many financial advisors recommend maxing out on programs like 401(k) after setting

aside money for emergencies.

Generally, you should try to put 10 to 20 percent of your income toward retirement. Most families that make savings a priority and keep debts and spending manageable are able to do this. Some find automatic savings programs, which deduct money straight from your paycheck, an easy way to put money aside without feeling you're missing out on extra activities.

The sooner you begin saving, the faster you can develop a solid retirement fund for your future. Many people delay saving until they meet other goals, such as putting money aside for a child's college education. It is best to plan for all the goals at once. As hard as it is to plan 20, 30 or 40 years ahead, the financial burden placed on retirees after receiving their last paycheck can be avoided by thinking in advance.

Planning ahead will allow you to enjoy your golden years in comfort.

If you fear the year 2000, find people you can trust

If you fear the new millennium, you need to pick your friends carefully.

"Many people fear computers will crash, banks and ATM machines will shut down and that the end of the world is coming," said Dr. James Lomax, a psychiatrist with Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "There will be people out there who will exploit a person's financial fears in

ways that could be very costly to them. Others will try to involve people in group activities, such as going out into the desert on New Year's Eve, that could be dangerous."

Lomax believes people will feel a sense of relief once New Year's Day comes and goes. However, many will be embarrassed about steps they have taken preparing for the worst and resent those who took advantage of them.

During times of anxiety it's always best to huddle close to those you can trust.

Don't pin your hopes on fat pill

by Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
One third of Americans are obese. They are overweight to the point of running a higher risk of health problems. Doctors tell them don't pin their hopes on a fat pill to solve their weight problem.

Dr. Veronica Piziak at Texas A&M medical school expects there to never be a fat pill and says the so-called appetite suppressants you can buy at the grocery store hold no magic cure for obesity. She says if you read the package, it tells you it will work if you also follow a sensible food plan and increase your exercise. So there is that message again about diet and exercise.

To make her point at the Texas Human Nutrition Conference, she joked that too many people see exercise as the art of converting big meals and fattening snacks into back strains and pulled muscles by lifting heavy things that don't need to be moved or running when no one is chasing you. But she says obesity is no laughing matter. It's linked to cancer, heart disease, diabetes and hypertension.

Piziak considers obesity a disease and cautions people to catch the illness early or risk suffering for a lifetime. She says once you have gained a significant amount of weight, the chances of your being able to return to an ideal body weight are slim. Still, she doesn't focus on fat.

Piziak says when someone comes into her clinic, they don't talk about an ideal weight, they talk about being healthy. They don't set weight loss goals. They modify behavior. That includes a wise food plan, exercise and long-term maintenance. She does prescribe appetite suppressants, but they are not of the over-the-counter variety. Her pharmacological therapy includes prescription pills that buy patients time and encourage them to change their behavior.

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 justifiable 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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Area basketball scores

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 Knox City 49, Rochester 28
 Scoring for Rochester: Williams 12, Adkins 7, Garcia 6, Stoddard 2, Reyes 1.
 JV Score: Knox City 37, Rochester 10.

 Jayton 53, Rule 38
 Scoring for Rule: McDuff 12, Stephens 8, Lisle 6, Trussell 6, Ramirez 4, Hise 3.

 Roscoe 54, Paint Creek 24
 Scoring for Paint Creek: S. Isbell 11, Hearn 6, Selinas 4, L. Isbell 3.

 Rochester 63, Moran 21
 Scoring for Rochester: Williams 11, Flores 9, Atkins 9, Garcia 8, Byrd 8, Ramos 6, Stoddard 4, Reyes 2, Penman 2, Nicholson 2, Martinez 2.

 Haskell 41, Ballinger 39
 Scoring for Haskell: Wallace

10, Lindsey 9, Bird 7, Plemister 7, Riley 5, Thompson 2, Rodela 1.
 JV Score: Ballinger 30, Haskell 27.
BOYS
 Rule 72, Jayton 59
 Scoring for Rule: Harvey 22, Lehmann 20, Sotelo 8, Smith 8, Hise 7, Coker 7.
 JV Score: Jayton 41, Rule 27.

 Knox City 56, Rochester 45
 Scoring for Rochester: Ruiz 12, Aguilera 11, Sanchez 7, Byrd 7, Gonzalez 4, Taylor 4.
 JV Score: Knox City 57, Rochester 27.

 Roscoe 62, Paint Creek 2
 Scoring for Paint Creek: E. Hobbs 2.

 Rochester 69, Moran 46
 Scoring for Rochester: Aguilera 14, Ruiz 12, Byrd 9, Gonzales 8, Taylor 8, Hastey 8, E. Sanchez 6, O. Rodriguez 2, Hearn 2.

 Ballinger 67, Haskell 43
 Scoring for Haskell: Riley 13, Earles 12, Druessedow 5, Lindsey 4, Guzman 3, Threet 2, Hise 2, Huff 2.
 JV Score: Ballinger 47, Haskell 40.



STOCKINGS FOR STUFFING—In the spirit of Christmas giving, Haskell fifth grade students decorate the felt stockings made by women of the Assembly of God to take to Mexico on Christmas Eve. With the help of Deanne Morgan and their teachers, students glued trims and painted the stockings, in a learning experience to understand the satisfaction of giving to others.

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Sagerton News

By Dorothy M. Clark

Christmas time's a comin'...yes, it's fast approaching and we're all getting ready for families to visit, special music and programs at the churches and the students are looking forward to a break from school.

Basketball season is getting into full swing, with boys and girls playing twice a week, high school and jr. high. The fans and parents report some very exciting games and encourage everyone in the community to come out and support the teams and our local coach, Jill Brown.

Here's a bit of information that we found to be quite timely and interesting. We received it last week via the e-mail and want to share it with our readers. This year will be the first full moon to occur on the winter solstice, December 22, commonly called the first day of winter, in 133 years. Since the full moon on the winter solstice will occur in conjunction with a lunar perigee, the point in the moon's orbit that is closest to Earth, the moon will appear about 14 per cent larger than it does at apogee, the point in its elliptical orbit that is farthest from the Earth. The Earth is also several million miles closer to the sun than in the summer and sunlight striking the moon will be about 7 per cent stronger, making it brighter. In layman's terms, it will be a super bright full moon, much more than the usual and it hasn't happened this way for 133 years. If the weather is clear and there isn't a snow cover where you live, it is believed that even car headlights will be superfluous. Our ancestors 133 years ago saw this. Our descendants 100 or so years from now will see this again. Remember, this will happen December 22.

The Hobby Club had their Christmas supper and party last week at the community center with Frances Clark, Mary Neinast and Joyce LeFevre acting as hostesses. Jo Brown led the group in games

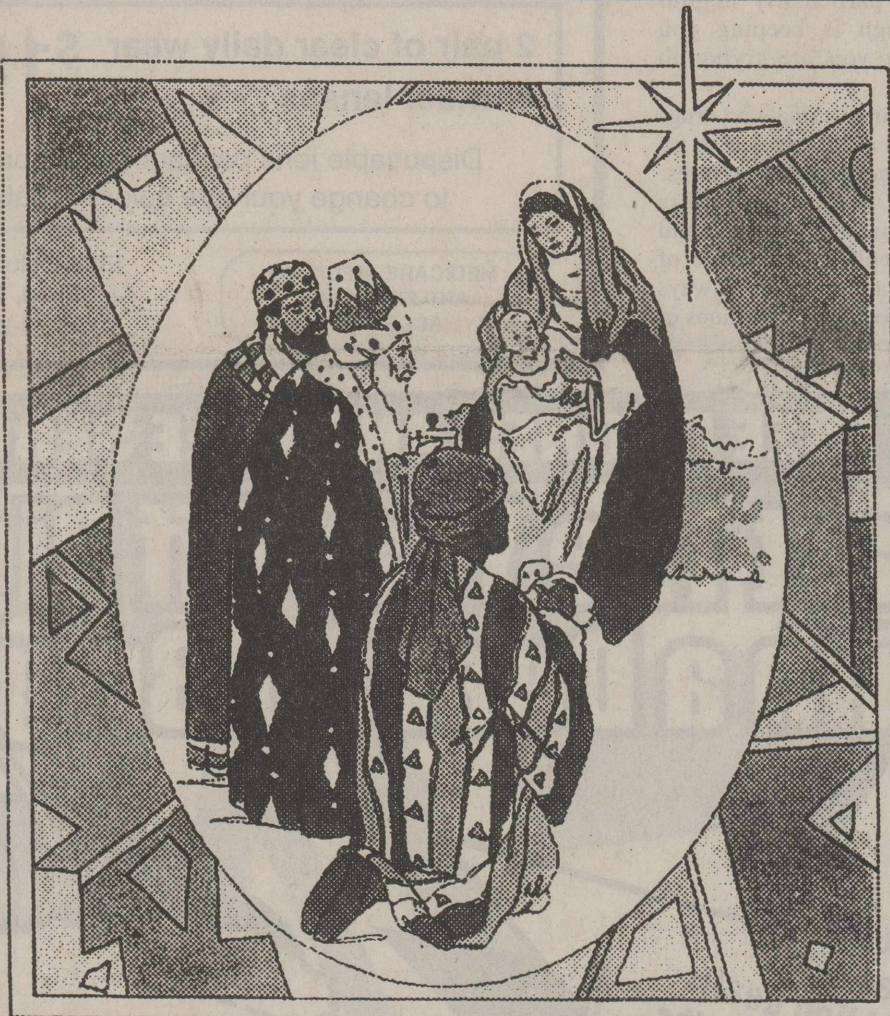
and club members exchanged gifts. Members and guests given presents included the ladies mentioned above plus Delbert LeFevre, Dave Brown, Jack and Peggy Tabor, J. B. and Dorothy Toney, Bill and Margie Hertel, Alvin and Ev Ulmer, Wilma Teichelman, Leona Letz, Herbert and Christine Stremmel.

Melvin and Anella Baitz hosted a Christmas dinner for both their families during the weekend. On Saturday, the Baitz family met there including Leslie and Kay Baitz of Leander, George and Ruby Olson of San Angelo, Mae and Leon Stegemoeller and Joe and Dorothy Clark. On Sunday the Hertels were together with Kenneth and Eloise Hertel of Hamlin, Bill and Margie Hertel, and of course, the Leslie Baitzs of Leander all present.

Mrs. Joe Clark hosted Christmas party in her home Sunday night for ladies of Faith Lutheran Church. After the salad supper, the group heard the Christmas story as recorded in Luke 2, then sang carols, played games and had a gift exchange. Ladies present for the party included Dorothy Toney, Laverne Stanhope, Loretta Connally, Odene Dudensing, Esther Kinman, Corene Lowack, Mary Neinast, Verlene Stegemoeller, Patsy Quade, Barbara Nauert, Adela Teichelman, Isabel Mrazek, Doris Lehmann, Meta Kupatt, Bernice Lunn and Yvonne Swofford.

Haskell Co. Gin Report

December 12, 1999	
Haskell	
Haskell Co-op Gin	2,957
O'Brien	
O'Brien Gin	14,228
Rochester	
Rochester Co-op Gin	1,106
Rule	
Rule Co-op Gin	1,564
Sagerton	
Sagerton Gin	850
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Griff's Gin	2,050
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KINDERGARTEN POSTER WINNERS—Sasha Walker, receives a \$20.00 check from Elementary Principal, Jimmy Lisle, for her winning poster on safety. Felysha Walker received \$15.00 for her second place poster. The safety poster contest was sponsored by American Legion Post #221, which also awarded the prizes.



SAFETY POSTER WINNERS—Haskell Elementary School Principal Jimmy Lisle presents a \$20.00 check to first grade student Ashlee Short as first place winner for her poster on safety. First grader Leo Rivera received \$15.00 for winning second place in the contest sponsored by American Legion Post #221.

Rochester swine show results

Results of Rochester FFA Swine Jackpot:

Duroc
Lightweight: First place, Ross Short; Second place, Natalie Bloxham; Third place, Sabrina Hoffman

Medium weight: First place, Cody Byrd; Second place, Jeffery Rodriguez; Third place, Haskell Hall

Heavyweight: First place, Ross Short; Second place, Kiel Rowan; Third place, Justin Baty
Champion Duroc: Ross Short, Heavyweight Reserve Champion Duroc: Cody Byrd

Hamp
Lightweight: First place, Justin Cypert; Second place, Natalie Bloxham; Third place, Aaron Cladwell

Medium weight: First place, Sabrina Hoffman; Second place, Jason Hoffman; Third place, Ronnie Morrow

Heavyweight: First place, Erin Casterling; Second place, Aaron Wist; Third place, Cody Byrd
Breed Champion: Justin Cypert
Breed Reserve Champion: Sabrina Hoffman

Black Other Pure Breed
Lightweight: First place, Bandy Moeller; Second place, Chase Cockerell; Third place, Kate Rowan

Heavyweight: First place, Josh Freeman; Second place, Jeffery Rodriguez; Third place, Josh Hearn
Breed Champion: Bandy Moeller
Breed Reserve Champion: Chase Cockerell

White Other Pure Breed
Lightweight: First place, Daniel Carle; Second place, Kerri Newton; Third place, Erin Casterling
Heavyweight: First place, Josh Hearn; Second place, Mandi Morrow; Third place, Kayla Jones
Breed Champion: Daniel Carle
Breed Reserve Champion: Kori Newton

Cross
Lightweight: First place, Chris Bell; Second place, David Newton; Third place, Justin Howard
Medium weight: First place, Cody Byrd; Second place, Lauren Newton; Third place, Ronnie Morrow

Heavyweight: First place, Cody Byrd; Second place, Sabrina Hoffman; Third place, Haskell Hall
Breed Champion: Cody Byrd
Breed Reserve Champion: Chris Bell
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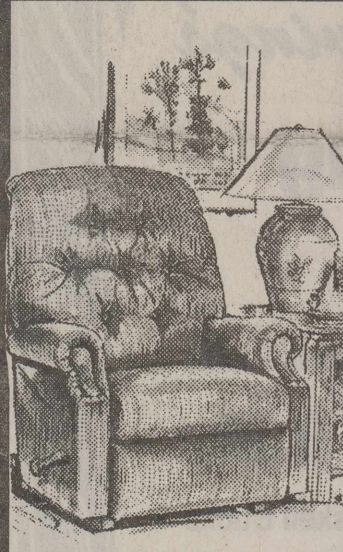
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Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Chunky and Viola Tidwell had their annual early Christmas dinner Sat., Dec. 11. They also celebrated Viola's 89th birthday. The attendees were: Gene Harrell and his grandson J. C. of Abilene, Francis Dillard and Robert Hooker of Rogers, Ark., Don Burson of Haskell, Casey and Angela Waits of Plano, Roy Paul and Mareta Glover of Richardson, Pat and Sue Glover of Richardson, Penny and Terry Milburn and daughter Katia of Lewisville, Charlene Harris and Melinda Wasika of Crockett. All

had a good time visiting and taking pictures.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Newberry of Rochester and Mrs. Erma Russell of Haskell spent the weekend with Larry and Jo Ann Lindeman and son Fred of Oklahoma City. They attended graduation exercises for Mrs. Russell's grandson Fredrick Paul Lindeman at the University of Oklahoma College of Engineering, Architecture and Technology Sun., Dec. 12 with 27 graduates in the class.

The descendants of the late I. T. and Addie Briscoe celebrated their Christmas on Sun., Dec. 11 at the Haskell National Bank Community Room. Those from out of town who attended were Ronnie and Pam Briscoe and son and wife Brice and Julie Briscoe of Abilene, Edward Wright of Abilene, Darin and Deniece Wright of Hawley, Bill and Betty Briscoe, Tina and Terry Tarett and children from Rule. Those from in town were Jerry and Betty Stocks, Bud and Evelyn Wright, Jerry and Linda Briscoe, Charles and Gene Blair, Gary and Vickie Hawkins, Ariel and Alice Blair and Bobby Muhle of Rochester. All enjoyed the day with a big lunch, then games and visiting.

On Sun. morn Bobby Hawkins' friend Leroy Stiegan of Eastland came by Joyce's for a visit. He was on his way to the panhandle where he will do pheasant hunting on the Garry Huffhines' farm.

Pat Shaw from Bryan spent the weekend with her mother Bernice Hilliard. They attended the pig show at Rochester on Sat.

Recent visitors for George and Faye Gray was their son and wife Mr. and Mrs. Lee Gray of Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilda Medford spent last weekend in Ruidoso.

Dr. Barry O'Neal of Irving spent a couple of days visiting his mother Gladys O'Neal.

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ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW SPONSORS—Pictured at the Haskell Young Homemakers Arts and Crafts Show, held Nov. 13, are club members: front row, l-r, Michele Copeland; Jacklyn Wheatley; Loutina White, Civic Center Representative; Michelle Dunnam; Deborah Mayfield; LeeAnn Mueller and Wendy Mathis. Back row, l-r, are: Trish Johnson; Donna Waggoner, Parliamentarian; Dalyn Griffith; Rhonda Hanson, Vice President; Amanda Hadaway, President; Kristi Gibson; Jennifer Roewe, Secretary; and Bridget Guess, Treasurer. Not pictured are J. J. Anderson, Kim Braswell, Renee McClellan, Jennifer Mathis, Deanne Morgan and Kristi Stewart.

Some holiday foods can trigger migraine headaches

Preparing for holiday meals may be a headache for many cooks, with menus to plan, ingredients to buy and pies to bake. But to some, it's eating these meals that causes the headaches.

As if the holidays aren't stressful enough, throw a migraine headache into the mix and you've really got problems. Dietitians now believe that food can trigger migraines and by avoiding particular foods, sufferers can keep the headaches at bay. Many of the trigger foods often are found on the Christmas dinner table.

"There seems to be a chemical connection between food and migraines and by identifying which foods trigger your headaches, you might be able to control them," said Molly Gee, registered dietitian and manager of Methodist Health Care System's Institute for Preventive Medicine.

Gee said up to 20 percent of migraine sufferers experience headaches brought on by eating a

particular food or combination of foods.

Migraines usually come on suddenly and strong and last 24 hours, sometimes giving the sufferer a feeling that the world has stopped. Gee, a migraine victim herself, said some people are incapacitated by migraines. She recommends avoiding the foods that may trigger the headaches and especially during the holidays when these foods are abundant.

Although there is no hard scientific evidence that certain foods can trigger headaches, there are some foods, such as aged cheese, that seem to activate chemicals in the brain, causing headaches, Gee said. She recommends keeping a food diary to help identify what might be triggering your headaches.

The foods that are thought to trigger migraine headaches:

- Aged cheese, ice cream and cultured dairy products such as yogurt

Meats
•Aged, canned, cured or processed meats containing additives

- Bologna
- Ham
- Hot dogs
- Bacon
- Sausage

Fruits and Vegetables
•Figs, papayas, passion fruit, raisins, red plums
•Bananas, citrus fruits
•Avocados, onions, peapods
•Sauerkraut

Legumes
•Beans, including pole, broad, lima, navy, pinto, garbanzo and lentils

Alcohol
•Red wine and beer
Caffeine

•Chocolate
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Baked Goods

•Products made with yeast such as breads, raised coffee cake and doughnuts

Aggressive or stressful driving can lead to holiday road rage

The holidays bring a time of peace, so why are people so short tempered on roadways? Roads are more congested this time of year with travelers and locals buzzing all over town. The stresses of day-to-day business combined with holiday preparations can often cause anxiety and loss of composure on overcrowded highways, a frustration that can make some people crazy with rage-road rage.

Because more instances of aggressive driving are being seen

on a regular basis, Texas highways are marked with reminders to "Drive Friendly." With aggressive drivers on the road, the potential for automobile accidents is high, especially during this busy time of year.

To help guard against road rage:

- A good rule of thumb is to follow all the laws of the road.
- Slower traffic should keep right so the left lane can be used for passing.
- Do not offend drivers with hand gestures, verbal abuse or

intimidatory driving. This type of behavior can only antagonize an already aggressive driver.

•Avoid eye contact to keep the situation from becoming personal.

•You should not provoke drivers by flashing your lights or honking your horn.

•Do not tailgate. Try to keep a two second following distance.

•Use your signals to alert other drivers to your intentions.

•Pull off the road to make your cellular calls.

•Be a defensive driver. Awareness will minimize your accident risk.

•If you are threatened or harassed by another driver, do not engage. Participation will only encourage an undesirable situation.

•Allow plenty of time for your trips and make your vehicle as comfortable as possible to keep you relaxed on your vacation.

If you are in an accident with an aggressive driver, be courteous and calm to bring the tension of the incident down. If the situation is not safe, stay in your vehicle until the police arrive to secure the scene.

Once you have told your story to the police, contact your insurance agent or representative to report damages to your car.

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CHRISTMAS HELPERS—During the Rule Basketball Tournament, Rule 4-H members Kyna Scheets, Kendra Scheets and Kortney Kupatt, along with helper Kymbre Kupatt, sold chances on a 13-inch color television, donated by Haskell Tire and Appliance Center. Money collected will be used by the Haskell County Welfare Board to help families during the Christmas season.

Tips to help ease holiday heartburn

If you are among the 17 million who suffer from reflux disease and you plan to sit down to a traditional holiday meal, you may be breaking every rule in the heartburn and acid indigestion handbook.

Fatty and greasy foods, pumpkin pie, chocolate, alcohol and orange-cranberry relish may be part of your holiday meal plans, but they are a recipe for reflux disaster. Reflux is a very common digestive disease, often causing heartburn. In people with reflux, stomach contents backflow into the esophagus, irritating the lining of the esophagus.

The combination of holiday foods, plus the good chance of overeating, could result in uncomfortable reflux symptoms for many, said Gulchin Ergun, M. D., medical director of The Methodist Hospital Reflux Center.

For most people, the disease is not serious, but it can be. "Signs and symptoms should not be ignored," Ergun said. "Reflux symptoms are not just nuisances. People should take them seriously and use caution when preparing the holiday menu."

Those with advanced reflux disease can develop injury to the esophagus or even a pre-cancerous condition called Barretts esophagus, where the lining of the esophagus

begins to resemble the lining of the stomach.

A recent *New England Journal of Medicine* study has linked esophageal cancer to reflux disease. The study showed that the risk of esophageal cancer was almost eight times as high among people reporting heartburn or regurgitation at least once a week.

Watching what you eat can help ward off reflux symptoms. So this holiday season, concentrate on eating low fat foods and skipping the alcohol and desserts, Ergun said. Also, try not to overeat and sit up for three hours after that big holiday meal. Other things you can do to control reflux:

- Avoid citrus juices, tomato-based products, spicy foods and coffee
- Avoid red wine
- Avoid peppermint candy canes
- Lose excess weight
- Raise the head of the bed by six to eight inches
- Avoid tight garments around the waist
- Stop smoking.

Most people can easily control reflux with diet or over-the-counter medications, but people who suffer more than two to three times per week should seek treatment. Treatment options range from medications to surgery.

Green Thumb

By Gladys O'Neal

The magic of the holidays will soon be upon us, from the excitement of the little ones waiting for Santa to the beauty of twinkling lights and trimmed trees.

For a few tips, I will tell you about turning cardboard tubes into napkin rings for your holiday parties. Cut them about two inches wide, then paint and decorate them. It will dress up your Christmas table with color and convenience for your family and guests.

To keep your houseplants zooming and blooming, try this general foliage plant food tonic: 1/4 tsp. instant tea, 1/2 T. ammonia, 1/2 T. hydrogen peroxide, 1 vitamin tablet with iron and 1 capful bourbon in a gallon of warm water. Feed your plants every time you water. They'll thank you for it.

Winter can be rough on your evergreens. Winter burn is caused by road salt spraying your trees and shrubs, severe wind and even the sun.

To keep your foliage in tip-top shape, soak the area around the plants before the ground freezes.

Heavily mulch all your beds to hold moisture in and to prevent the ground from freezing in the absence of snow.

Now is the time for area chores pertaining to your garden and yards.

Water all your houseplants with a mixture of 1 tsp. baby shampoo, 1/2 tsp regular non-diet pop and 1/2 tsp. ammonia in a quart of warm water.

Finally, watch the humidity and air circulation this time of year. You may have to use your oscillating fan.

Now is the time to plant anything you can get your hands on, if you wish, especially hardy flowers and vegetables. Before putting anything in your soil, add a mixture of 50 lbs. of dry garden food and 1 lb. of sugar added to it.

I've tried to give you some good ideas that will make the preparations easier, so you'll have more time to enjoy the holidays with your family.

I wish everyone of you a happy Christmas and a nice, new year for you in every way.



PLANNING TOY DRIVE—Rule 4-H members, l-r, Mackenzie Miller, Kendra Scheets, Kortney Kupatt, Molly Dudensing, Samantha Kittley and Holly Wolsch discuss plans for the 4-H Toy Drive. Along with Rule FCA members, the 4-H members will meet Sun. afternoon to enjoy a Christmas party while wrapping all of the toys to be delivered to the Haskell County Child Welfare Board.

Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 1,222 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., Dec. 11, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

Demand good on all classes. Springer cows 20-50 higher; stocker, feeder cattle steady. Next week is the last sale for 1999.

Cows: fat, .31-.35; cutters, .30-.37; canners, .24-.29.

Bulls: bologna, .42-.48; feeder, .64-.73; utility .38-.43.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.10-1.30; 300-400 lbs., 1.00-1.18; 400-500 lbs., .87-1.08; 500-600 lbs., .82-.94; 600-700 lbs., .78-.85; 700-800 lbs., .75-.79; 800-up lbs., .64-.74.

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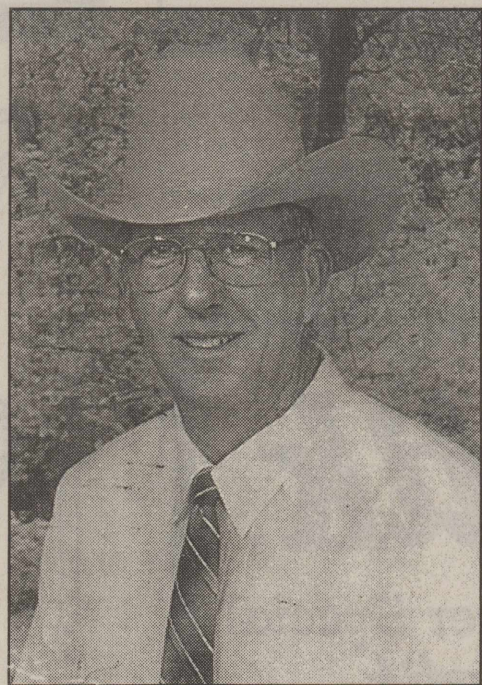
I, Martin Dale Coleman would like to announce my candidacy for the position of Sheriff, Haskell County. I have been a resident of Haskell County all of my life. I am a 1961 graduate of Paint Creek High School and farmed in Haskell County for 25 years. I am married to Eudora Coleman and have three daughters, Julie Coleman Graham of Milano, Texas; Rhonda Coleman Hanson of Haskell; and Lisa Campbell of Haskell. I am also "PaaPaa" to eight grandchildren.

In 1986, I received peace officer certification from the West Central Texas Council of Governments and became employed by the City of Haskell as a police officer. In October 1988, I became employed as Deputy Sheriff for Haskell County, a position I still hold today. I hold Basic, Intermediate, and Advance Certificates from the Texas Commission of Law Enforcement Standards and Education.

With my 13 years of law enforcement experience, I feel I am the most qualified candidate to serve Haskell County in the capacity of Sheriff. I am familiar with the responsibilities and aspects of the job of Sheriff and I believe in our department and its ability to serve the needs of all Haskell County citizens in the areas of investigation, response and protection. Caring for people and ensuring everyone is treated fairly are the most important priorities of this job. I am committed to ensuring that our jail is up to standards and in compliance with state regulations. As your Sheriff, I will see to it that the finances and expenses of the Sheriff's Department are accounted for appropriately and I will honor, protect and serve all citizens of Haskell County in a just and lawful manner.

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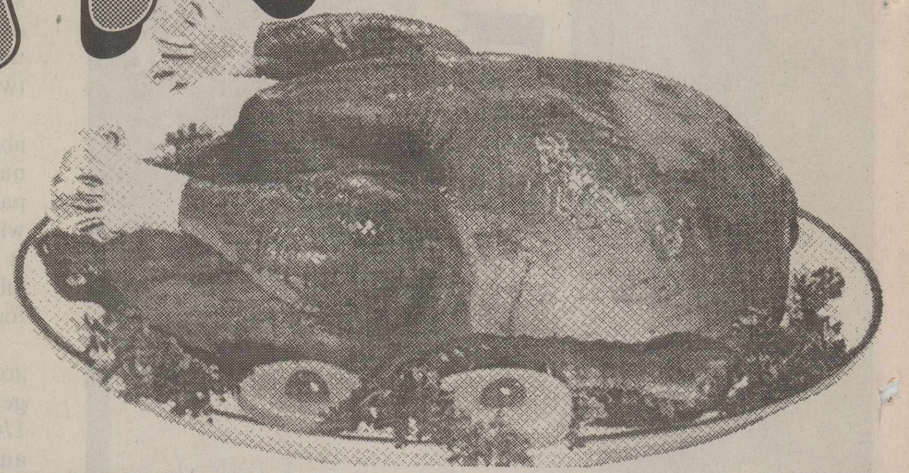
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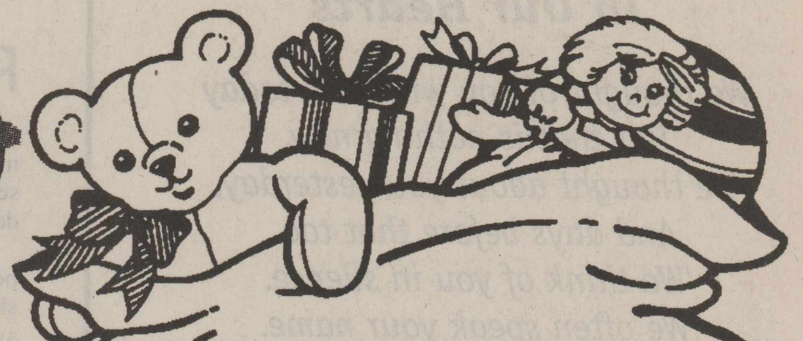
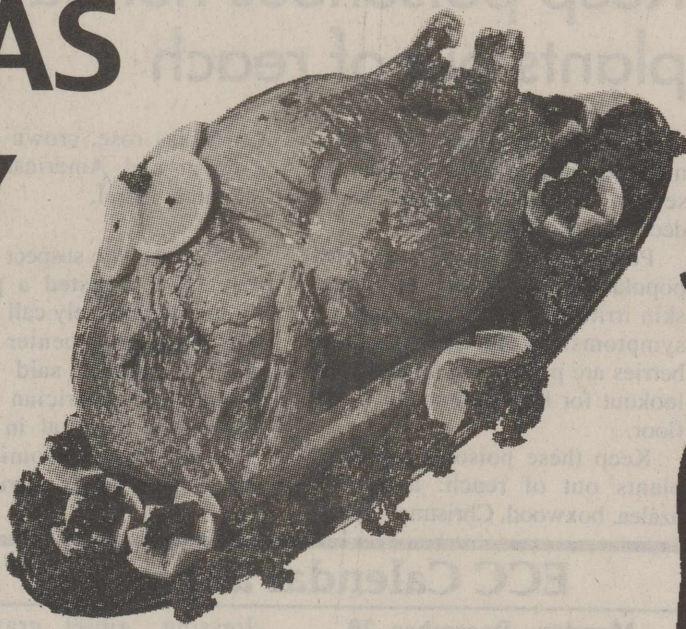
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Keep poisonous holiday plants out of reach

While it may be the season for mistletoe and holly, it is also the season to think safety when decorating your home.

Poinsettias, one of the most popular holiday plants, can cause skin irritation and severe stomach symptoms. Holly and mistletoe berries are poisonous, so be on the lookout for berries that fall to the floor.

Keep these poisonous holiday plants out of reach: amaryllis, azalea, boxwood, Christmas cherry,

Christmas rose, crown of thorns, English and American Ivy and mountain laurel.

"Parents who suspect their child may have ingested a plant part should immediately call their local poison-control center or their child's doctor," said Dr. Julie Boom, a pediatrician at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston. "Do not induce vomiting with ipecac syrup unless instructed to do so."

ECC Calendar and Menu

Monday, December 20
 9:30 a.m. Miracle Ear
 Lunch-Beef stew, tossed salad, cobbler, cornbread, milk, tea or coffee

Tuesday, December 21
 Christmas dinner-Turkey.

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This Week's Devotional Message:

FAITH CAN PROVIDE COMFORT WHEN SORROW STRIKES



Sooner or later, sorrow must cast its dark shadow over all our lives, in many forms and in varying degrees; either directly or indirectly through someone we know. It may be occasioned by the death of a loved one or a dear friend; or possibly a major event such as a broken relationship, a career disappointment or a child in deep trouble. Whatever the source, God's love is ever present to provide comfort and a positive way out of the abyss of sadness; and once you have discovered this, you can help someone else to find it. If you acquire the habit of seeking God's guidance at the Church of your choice BEFORE sorrow strikes, you will automatically do so whenever it does.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

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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 Garrison, 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.
 607 S. 7th, Haskell

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

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

St. George Catholic Church
 Father Michael Melcher
 Sat. Mass 7:15 p.m.; Sun. Morn. 9:00 a.m.
 901 N. 16th, Haskell

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

First Presbyterian Church
 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
 Bobby Ray Wade, pastor
 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 Culppepper, 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.
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Paint Creek Baptist Church
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Weinert Methodist Church
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 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.
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Weinert Foursquare Church
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Church of Christ
 Steve Wills, 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.
 Rochester

SAGERTON

Sagerton Methodist Church
 Tommy Wilson, pastor
 Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.
 Sagerton

Faith Lutheran Church
 Jeff Zell, pastor
 Sun. Morn. 9:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
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RULE

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

Primitive Baptist Church
 Dale Turner Jr., pastor
 First & Third Sundays 10 a.m.
 Corner of 8th & Robins, Rule

Church of Christ
 John Greeson, minister
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
 811 Union, Rule

First United Methodist Church
 Shane Brue, pastor
 Sun. Morn. Worship 9 a.m.
 Sunday School 10 a.m.
 1000 Union Ave., Rule

New Life Baptist Mission
 Jesus Herrera
 Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
 Elm Street-Hwy 380 E, Rule

Sweet Home Baptist Church
 Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.
 Gladstone Ave., Rule

West Bethal Baptist Church
 Rev. Robert Sweet
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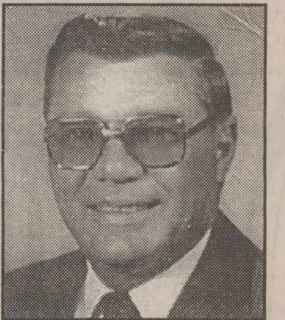
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TAX PLANNING

Written By James E. Rodgers, CPA



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- Retirement benefits.** Withdrawals and distributions from retirement plans are subject to income tax. Depending on the plan's options, you may be able to spread the tax over several years by taking minimum withdrawals. With an individual retirement account (IRA), you can delay the tax impact by rolling your spouse's IRA into your own.
- Insurance proceeds.** Life insurance policies generally offer a lump sum payout. Though the cash is not taxable to you, income generated by investing the proceeds is. If your tax bracket is high enough, investing in municipal bonds could make sense.
- Tax returns.** You may be required to file estate, fiduciary, and individual income tax returns for your loved one.

Estate tax returns. Gather wills, trust agreements, life insurance policies, bank and investment statements to establish the value of your loved one's estate. For 1999, an estate valued at \$650,000 or less will owe no federal estate tax. This exemption rises to \$675,000 in 2000.

Fiduciary income tax returns. If your loved one's estate earns gross income of more than \$600 in any year, a fiduciary income tax return must be filed. In addition, fiduciary returns may be required for trusts established under your loved one's will.

Individual income tax returns. A final income tax return must be filed if your loved one's gross income exceeded certain levels. The tax issues you face after the death of a loved one can be complicated. Remember that you do not have to face them alone. We are here to help, so give us a call.

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A request has been received from Chris Villa to change the following described property: Lot number 4 & 5 1/2 Block 9 address 301 N. Ave. N other description Collage Lawn Addition (OL 116 OT) from residential zoning district to special purpose zoning district. The applicant proposes to use the property for storing if zoning is achieved.

The planning and zoning commission of the City of Haskell, Texas, will hold a public hearing pursuant to this request on January 7, 2000 at 1:30 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers. 50c

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To the staff of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors, a special thanks for all the love and care you've shown this family.
A Big Thank You to Bro. David and Bro. Andy, for their comforting words and prayers.
A special thanks to the East Side Baptist ladies who saw to it that we were fed in our time of need.
We love you all.
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Terry, Kathy, Brandy, Eugene, Nikki and Tommy

Thank you for the prayers, memorials, food, phone calls, flowers and words of comfort and encouragement during the loss of our dear loved one.
Friendship is a priceless gift and in our time of heartache when you reached out to us in prayer or gave us a helping hand it was appreciated.
A special thanks to Outreach Health Service for the outstanding job of caring for our loved one at home for four years. A special thanks to Dr. Wayne Cadenhead, EMS, and the nurses at Haskell Hospital.
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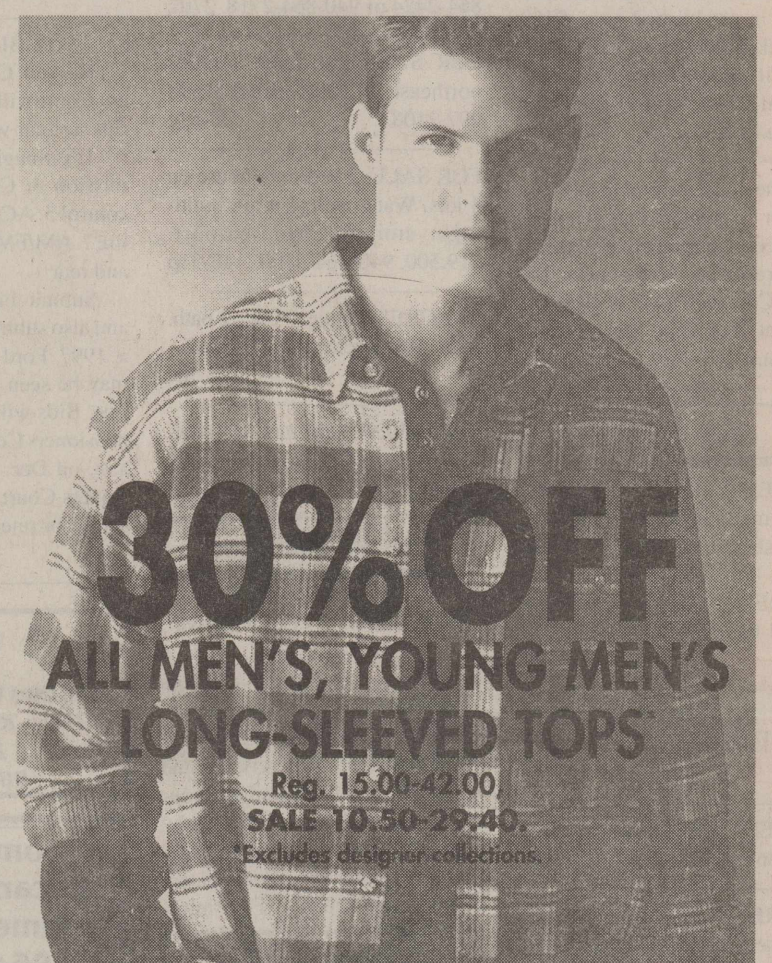
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