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## Basketball games

**Haskell**  
JV-BG, VBG vs. Seymour  
Fri., Jan. 21, 4 p.m.  
at Seymour

JV-BG, VBG vs. Archer City  
Tues., Jan. 25, 4 p.m.  
at Archer City  
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**Haskell 7th & 8th**  
Haskell Tournament  
Thurs., Jan 20 & Sat., Jan. 22  
Haskell 7th, 8th & 9th  
Haskell vs. Olney  
Mon., Jan. 24, 5 p.m.  
Girls There, Boys Here  
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Paint Creek vs. Rochester  
Fri., Jan. 21, 6:30 p.m.  
at Paint Creek

Paint Creek vs. Moran  
Tues., Jan. 25, 6:30 p.m.  
at Paint Creek

Paint Creek JH  
Lueders-Avoca Tourney  
Sat., Jan. 22

## Calendar

### WWII Memorial donations accepted

Donations are being accepted for a memorial for World War II veterans to be built in Washington, D.C. A fund has been set up at First National Bank in Haskell, First State Bank in Stamford, American Legion Post 221, P. O. Box 5, Haskell, Texas 79521 or Veterans of Foreign Wars, P. O. Box 125, Stamford, Texas 79553.

### Old Glory musical to be held Sat.

The Old Glory Musical will be held Sat., Jan. 22 at the Community Center in Old Glory. The best little concession stand in Texas will open at 5:00 and the music will start at 5:30 p.m. For more information call 940-989-2925 or 989-2833.

### Youth Basketball to organize

Haskell Youth Basketball will hold an organizational meeting Wed. night at 8 p.m. in the Haskell National Bank Community Room. All parents and coaches are welcome.

### Immunizations

The Texas Dept. of Health in Stamford will hold an immunization clinic Thurs., Jan. 27 at the American Legion Hall in Haskell. Clinic times are 1 to 4 p.m. For more information, call 915-773-5681.

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**HONORED COACH**—Surrounded by admiring Maidens during half time at the varsity boys game with Olney, Melynn Hunt, Haskell Assistant Athletic Director for girls' sports and Haskell Maiden's basketball coach, receives a plaque, roses and basket-

ball commemorating her 500th win as a coach, Jan. 7. In 1998, when she came to Haskell from Monterey High School, Lubbock, she had already amassed 466 wins and had taken teams to play offs 17 times during her career. Photo by Bill Blankenship

## Haskell County designated as disaster area

Congressman Charlie Stenholm has announced that Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman has designated Callahan, Eastland, Haskell, Howard and Stephens Counties as primary natural disaster areas, in response to the drought that began March 1, 1998.

In addition, the Secretary declared Brown, Comanche, Erath, Kent, Palo Pinto, Shackelford, Stonewall, Taylor, Throckmorton and Young Counties as contiguous disaster counties.

"I have been in contact with Secretary Glickman about the conditions we have been experiencing in our area and I am pleased that he has made these designations," said Stenholm. "The folks in our area need this assistance to help them rebuild their lives and livelihoods."

As a result of these designations, family-sized farm operators in both primary and contiguous counties are eligible to be considered for low-interest emergency loans from the Farm Service Agency (FSA).

The FSA will consider each loan application on its own merits, taking into account the extent of losses, available security, repayment ability and other eligibility requirements.

Farmers may contact their local FSA office for further information.

## CRP general signup period underway until Feb. 11

Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman reminds farmers and landowners that the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) general signup began January 18 and will run through February 11, 2000, in local USDA service centers across the nation.

"This is an opportunity for farmers and landowners to participate in a cost-effective,

voluntary program to improve their land, water and wildlife resources and lock in a multi-year payment based on local rental rates," Glickman said. "It is also an opportunity for participants with contracts expiring this fall to make new contract offers."

USDA will continue to evaluate and rank eligible CRP offers using an Environmental Benefits Index

(EBI), which is based on the potential environmental benefits gained from enrolling the land in the CRP. Decisions on the EBI cutoff will be made after signup 20 ends. The EBI cutoff used in previous signups may not be used for this one. The cutoff is decided after analyzing the EBI numbers of all the offers. Those who would have met previous signup EBI thresholds are not guaranteed a contract under signup 20.

"CRP is a highly successful and competitive program," said Glickman. "I encourage all landowners to find out about the EBI before the February 11, 2000, deadline and to consult with local USDA experts on steps they can take to maximize EBI points and increase the likelihood that their bid will be accepted."

The Farm Service Agency is authorized to maintain CRP enrollment up to 36.4 million acres. Approximately 31.5 million acres were enrolled in CRP contracts as of October 1, 1999. About 400,000 acres are subject to CRP contracts that will expire on September 30, 2000. The contracts awarded under signup 20 will become effective on October 1, 2000.

"Producers can avoid the highly competitive EBI under the general signup by enrolling the most environmentally sensitive land under CRP's continuous signup program," Glickman said. Under the continuous signup, relatively small amounts of land serving to protect much larger areas, such as filter strips, riparian buffers and grass waterways, may be enrolled at any time.

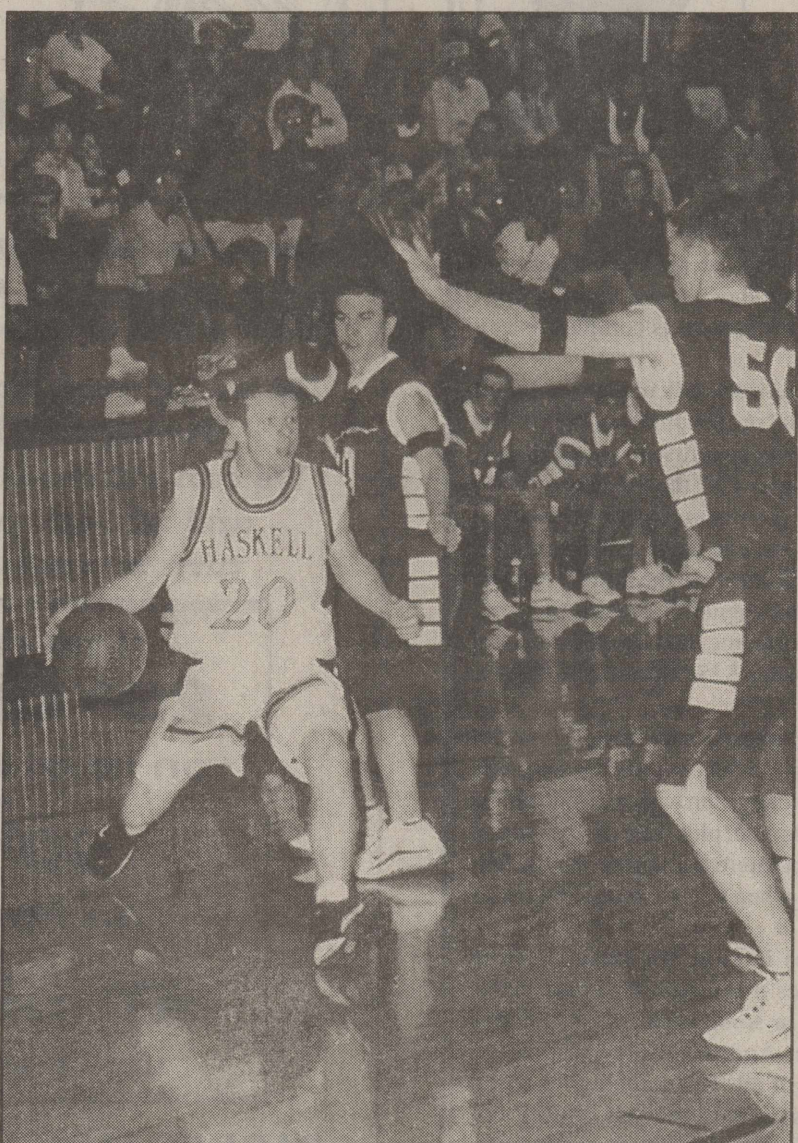
The CRP is designed to improve the nation's natural resource base. Participants voluntarily enter into contracts with USDA to enroll erodible and other environmentally sensitive

land in long-term contracts for 10 to 15 years. In exchange, participants receive annual rental payments and a payment of up to 50 percent of the cost of establishing conservation practices.

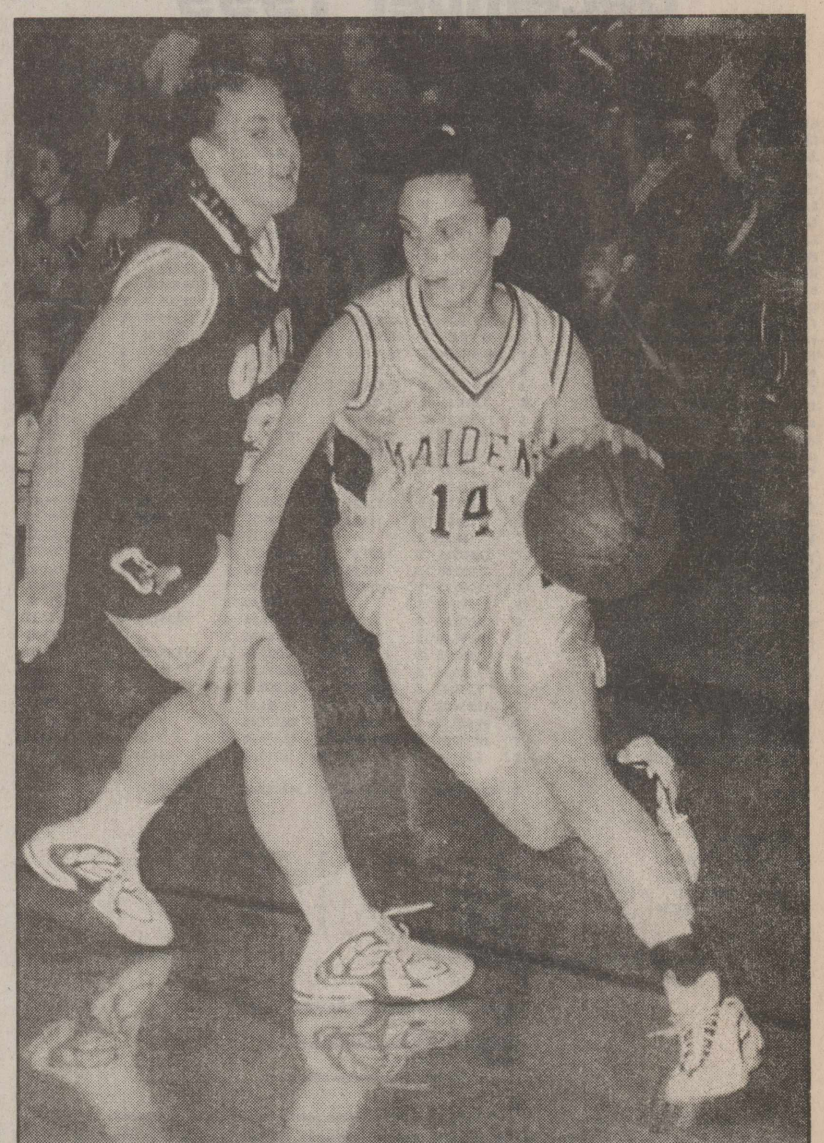
The program protects millions of acres of American topsoil from erosion. By reducing water runoff and sedimentation, it also protects groundwater and helps improve the

condition of lakes, rivers, ponds and streams. Acreage enrolled in the CRP is planted to resource-conserving (vegetative) covers, greatly increasing wildlife populations in many parts of the country.

For additional information, farmers can contact the Haskell County FSA Office, 506 South Second, Haskell, Texas.



**OVERTIME WIN**—Haskell Indian, #20, Dustin Threet, dribbles around Olney defenders in the close game Haskell won, 65 to 63, after going into double overtime. Photo by Bill Blankenship



**MAIDEN MOVING**—Haskell's #14, Megan Bird, drives around an Olney defender during the district game in Haskell which ended Olney 36, Haskell 26. Photo by Bill Blankenship

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# Area basketball scores

**GIRLS**  
 Olney 36, Haskell 26  
 Scoring for Haskell: Riley 9, Wallace 7, Rodela 6, Bird 2, Thompson 2.  
 \*\*\*  
 Knox City 53, Rochester 13  
 Scoring for Rochester: Stoddard 6, Garcia 2, Penman 2, Adkins 1, Buerkle 1, Reyes 1.  
 JV Score - Rochester 43, Knox City 37.  
 \*\*\*  
 Rule 40, Paint Creek 36  
 Scoring for Rule: Russell 14, Lisle 9, Stevens 7, McDuff 6, Ramirez 2, Stegemoeller 2.  
 Scoring for Paint Creek: S. Isbell 14, Salinas 10, Hearn 7, Walton 2, L. Isbell 2, Medford 1.  
 \*\*\*  
 Rule 59, Benjamin 48  
 Scoring for Rule: Stevens 16,

McDuff 14, Stegemoeller 13, Lisle 10, Ramirez 4, Hisey 2.  
 JV Score - Rule 36, Benjamin 33 (2 OT).  
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 Woodson 63, Rochester 27  
 Scoring for Rochester: Stoddard 10, Stoddard 6, Garcia 6, Atkins 2, Smith 2, Reyes 1.  
 JV Score - Woodson 40, Rochester 33.  
**BOYS**  
 Haskell 65, Holliday 51  
 Scoring for Haskell: Riley 22, Huff 15, Lindsey 14, Earles 10, Threet 4.  
 JV Score - Haskell 41, Holliday 40.  
 \*\*\*  
 Haskell 65, Olney 63 (2 OT)  
 Scoring for Haskell: Riley 28, Lindsey 13, Earles 7, Hunt 7, Huff 4, Cunningham 4, Threet 2.

JV Score - Haskell 45, Olney 43.  
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 Rule 82, Paint Creek 30  
 Scoring for Rule: Harvey 16, Hisey 13, Smith 12, Hertel 8, Coker 8, Lehmann 7, Faulkner 5, Sotelo 5, Flores 4, Navarette 4.  
 Scoring for Paint Creek: C. Hobbs 13, Hope 9, Biba 4, E. Hobbs 2, Sagerser 2.  
 \*\*\*  
 Rule 81, Benjamin 37  
 Scoring for Rule: Coker 15, Harvey 13, Lehmann 13, Smith 8, Hertel 7, Hisey 6, Navarette 4, Faulkner 4, Murray 4, Sotelo 3, Flores 2, Kittley 2.  
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 Rochester 49, Knox City 41  
 Scoring for Rochester: Byrd 21, Aguilera 10, Ruiz 9, Taylor 4, Gonzales 2, Sanchez 2, Hastey 1.  
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 Woodson 74, Rochester 69  
 Scoring for Rochester: Aguilera 29, Ruiz 14, Gonzales 9, Byrd 8, Taylor 5, Sanchez 2, Hastey 2.



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	BEGINNING BALANCE	RECEIPTS	AVAILABLE AMOUNT	LESS DISBURSEMENT	END OF MONTH BALANCE
GENERAL	\$ 189,881.24	\$ 301,570.25	\$ 491,451.49	\$ 402,369.13	\$ 89,082.36
GENERAL MONEY MARKET	\$ 43,133.07	\$ 432.71	\$ 43,565.78	\$ -	\$ 43,565.78
JURY	\$ 10.66	\$ 10,331.00	\$ 10,341.66	\$ 7,264.91	\$ 3,276.75
LAW LIBRARY	\$ 331.51	\$ 4,870.00	\$ 5,201.51	\$ 2,376.19	\$ 2,825.32
LATERAL ROAD 1	\$ 86.01	\$ 5,773.91	\$ 5,859.92	\$ 5,839.92	\$ -
LATERAL ROAD 2	\$ 267.47	\$ 5,773.91	\$ 6,041.38	\$ 5,440.07	\$ 601.31
LATERAL ROAD 3	\$ 136.34	\$ 5,773.91	\$ 5,910.25	\$ 4,271.65	\$ 1,638.60
LATERAL ROAD 4	\$ 131.20	\$ 5,773.91	\$ 5,905.11	\$ 5,104.36	\$ 800.75
ROAD & BRIDGE 1	\$ 30,533.84	\$ 42,431.29	\$ 72,965.13	\$ 99,077.72	\$ 13,887.41
ROAD & BRIDGE 2	\$ 64,837.51	\$ 37,220.85	\$ 102,058.36	\$ 22,797.33	\$ 79,261.03
ROAD & BRIDGE 3	\$ 40,784.65	\$ 74,784.26	\$ 115,568.91	\$ 74,653.02	\$ 40,915.89
ROAD & BRIDGE 4	\$ 96,884.87	\$ 34,759.03	\$ 131,643.90	\$ 23,996.75	\$ 107,647.15
F&M LATERAL ROAD 1	\$ 31,873.28	\$ 26,606.92	\$ 58,480.20	\$ 20,675.79	\$ 37,804.41
F&M LATERAL ROAD 2	\$ 10,166.62	\$ 16,317.33	\$ 26,483.95	\$ 10,026.02	\$ 16,457.93
F&M LATERAL ROAD 3	\$ 31,910.59	\$ 56,941.62	\$ 88,852.21	\$ 66,244.57	\$ 22,607.64
F&M LATERAL ROAD 4	\$ 41,611.02	\$ 17,373.27	\$ 58,984.29	\$ 9,807.91	\$ 49,176.38
CRIMINAL JUSTICE	\$ 18,326.00	\$ 8,839.19	\$ 27,165.19	\$ 7,039.35	\$ 20,125.84
LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER	\$ 1,618.55	\$ 88.53	\$ 1,707.08	\$ 67.95	\$ 1,639.13
COMP VICTIMS OF CRIME	\$ 11,267.23	\$ 5,677.65	\$ 16,944.88	\$ 4,391.13	\$ 12,553.75
ARREST FEE	\$ 161,033.00	\$ 3,071.36	\$ 164,104.36	\$ 193,751.21	\$ 18,353.15
JURYPENNEL TRAINING	\$ 1,265.80	\$ 373.00	\$ 1,638.80	\$ 332.92	\$ 1,305.88
CRIME STOPPERS	\$ 156.05	\$ 55.44	\$ 211.49	\$ 27.00	\$ 184.49
STATE GEN REVENUE	\$ 1,473.01	\$ 63.88	\$ 1,536.89	\$ 51.75	\$ 1,485.14
COMP REHABILITATION	\$ 2,112.00	\$ 126.25	\$ 2,238.25	\$ 121.50	\$ 2,116.75
BREATH ALCOHOL	\$ 120.00	\$ 136.33	\$ 256.33	\$ 150.00	\$ 106.33
911	\$ (85.33)	\$ -	\$ (85.33)	\$ -	\$ (85.33)
SECURITY FUND	\$ 23,488.66	\$ 1,871.67	\$ 25,360.33	\$ -	\$ 25,360.33
SEIZURE FUND	\$ 7,083.00	\$ 48.26	\$ 7,131.26	\$ 968.40	\$ 6,162.86
COUNTY ATTORNEY	\$ 7,160.72	\$ 2,314.08	\$ 9,474.80	\$ 1,930.63	\$ 7,544.17
DISTRICT ATTORNEY	\$ 291.40	\$ -	\$ 291.40	\$ -	\$ 291.40
DIST ATTY FORFEITURE FUND	\$ 6,370.62	\$ 61.64	\$ 6,432.26	\$ 2,354.96	\$ 4,077.30
MANAGEMENT PRESERVATION	\$ 5,231.00	\$ 102.56	\$ 5,333.56	\$ 6,161.86	\$ 6,161.86
PERMANENT SCHOOL	\$ 3,852.88	\$ 1,471.08	\$ 5,323.96	\$ 3,852.88	\$ 1,471.08
COUNTY LIBRARY	\$ 9,326.85	\$ 26,754.46	\$ 36,081.31	\$ 17,433.04	\$ 18,648.27
ECC NUTRITION	\$ 9,166.21	\$ 20,033.89	\$ 29,200.10	\$ 20,039.35	\$ 9,160.75
ECC BUILDING	\$ 11,654.93	\$ 3,206.65	\$ 14,861.58	\$ 739.89	\$ 14,121.69
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	\$ 6,490.52	\$ 466.94	\$ 6,957.46	\$ -	\$ 6,957.46
RECORDS MANAGEMENT	\$ 12,730.81	\$ 2,443.47	\$ 15,174.28	\$ 96.88	\$ 15,077.40
MTR VEHICLE INVENTORY TAX	\$ 3,293.86	\$ 21.55	\$ 3,315.41	\$ 832.23	\$ 2,483.18
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 822,928.38</b>	<b>\$ 724,835.08</b>	<b>\$ 1,547,763.46</b>	<b>\$ 790,368.11</b>	<b>\$ 757,395.35</b>

INVESTMENTS:		
SOCIAL SECURITY C.D.	NO.35146	\$ 9,244.49
GENERAL FUND C.D.	NO.35224	\$ 100,000.00
GENERAL FUND C.D.	NO.116287	\$ 100,000.00
ROAD & BRIDGE #3 C.D.	NO.116286	\$ 40,000.00
FMI #3 C.D.	NO.116286	\$ 40,000.00
<b>TOTAL INVESTMENTS FOR HASKELL COUNTY</b>		<b>\$ 289,244.49</b>

**TOTAL CASH ASSETS FOR HASKELL COUNTY** \$ 1,046,639.84

Willie Faye Tidrow  
 County Treasurer & Investment Officer

On January 10, 2000 the Commissioners' Court of Haskell County met in regular session and compared the Quarterly Report of Willie Faye Tidrow, County Treasurer, for the quarter ending December 31, 1999 and found the same correct and respective amounts to have been paid out during the quarter.

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## Be patient when beginning new exercise program

If you're one of the millions of Americans who've resolved to improve your health by starting an exercise program, be patient. "People start exercising with good intentions, but their high expectations could be a recipe for failure," says Dr. Peter Snell, an exercise physiologist at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas. "It took years for your body to get out of shape, don't expect results overnight. It takes six to eight weeks for your heart and lungs to become conditioned to the exercise demands."

For the most benefit, exercise a minimum of 30 minutes, three times a week at the equivalent of a brisk walking pace. To avoid burnout, find an activity you enjoy and that you can do at a regular time free of conflicts. Exercising with a friend and keeping an exercise diary will provide additional motivation, Snell says.

If you are age 40 or older, have high blood pressure or high cholesterol, get a physical examination before starting any kind of exercise program. But the most important thing you can do is to just get out and do it, Snell says.

# Obituaries

## Kirby Winston Ulmer

Kirby Winston Ulmer, 59, of Seguin died Jan. 10. Born April 17, 1940 in Stamford, he was the son of Alvin and Evelyn Ulmer. He graduated from Rule High School and Texas Tech University with a degree in accounting. He and Mary were married April 27, 1961 in the Methodist Church in Spur. After a year in Odessa with an accounting firm, they moved to San Antonio where Winston did graduate work at St. Mary's University in Public Administration while working for the city of San Antonio. He worked for IBM for six years before beginning his thirteen year tenure with the San Antonio Water Board. He then served for three years as the Asso-

ciate City Manager for San Antonio. He worked his last thirteen years for EDS before retiring in 1995. They moved to Las Brisas in 1993. Survivors include his wife, Mary Ulmer; his parents, F. A. and Evelyn Ulmer of Sagerton; two sons, Brad Ulmer and wife, Dora, and Mark Ulmer and wife, Dawn; one daughter, Paige Stockard and husband, Mark; grandchildren, Tyler and Madison Ulmer, Sean and Joshua Ulmer, and Kirby and Matthew Stockard; one sister, Jana Whitaker and husband, Keith; niece, Stacey Burke and husband, Jim; nephew, Kyle Whitaker and wife, Sherry and numerous family and friends.

# Hospital Auxiliary is topic of Study Club program

Oleta Cornelius of Rule, who was named Progressive Study Club's Outstanding Volunteer of the year, presented a program about the work of the Haskell Hospital Auxiliary when the club met Thurs., Jan. 13. A member of the Haskell Hospital Auxiliary since its beginning in 1994, Cornelius served two years as president of the non-profit organization. A Rule area correspondent for the *Abilene Reporter News*, she is a member of the Rule Chapter of the Eastern Star and First United Methodist Church. She has retired from the Rule ISD, following 21 years of service as school bus driver.

In appreciation of the presentation, a gift was given to the Friends of the Library Fund in Cornelius' honor. Refreshments were served to twenty-five members by hostesses Dorothy Hartsfield, Gladys O'Neal, Nancy Plunkett and Helen Fouts. During the regular January business meeting, following the program, a new slate of officers for 2000-2001 was presented by Sandy Forehand and accepted by the club. Officers named are: president, Judy Patterson; first vice-president, Eva Dunnam; second vice-president, Dorothy Hartsfield; recording secretary, Mary Kaigler; corresponding secretary, Shirley Reed; treasurer, Doris Jordan; historian, Erma Liles; and board member, Frances Lane. Chosen as the Outstanding Program of 1999, was Cheryl Lewis' program, "Focusing on Our History," presented in April. After a discussion of the upcoming Mesquite District Spring Convention, to be hosted in Haskell, Mar. 4, by the Progressive Study Club, the meeting was adjourned by president Frances Lane.

# Around Town


By Joyce Hawkins

Jesse Scheets of Abilene visited his mom Minnie and his brother Bobby on Sunday. Granddaughter and her husband Tamera and Brian Heren and little daughter Taya of Irving visited grandmother Joyce Hawkins on Sunday. Monday Margaret and Creora Tatum took Joyce for check up with Dr. Cook, the bone doctor in Abilene and got a good report. On the way back they stopped in Anson for a visit with sister-in-law and aunt, Tiny Vaughn. Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. George Gray over the weekend were children Lynn Gray of Grapeland, Judy Hix and little grandson of Abilene, Woody and Georgia Turnbow of Weinert and Lee and Polly Gray of Midland. Lee and Polly were on their way to Dallas where she will have heart surgery. She asks for your prayers. Also Greg Turnbow of Midland came by for a visit. Bernice Hilliard had her daughter and granddaughter of Bryan over the weekend. They are Pat Shaw and Dawn Steller.

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## TAX PLANNING

Written By  
**Gerald Rodgers, CPA**



## SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS CALL FOR TAX PLANNING

You may remember a time when social security retirement benefits were tax-free. Unfortunately, today's social security benefits are not only subject to tax, but the rules are as complex as any you are likely to encounter. For purposes of taxing benefits, retirees fall into three broad categories. If you are married, and your "provisional income" is less than \$32,000, none of your social security benefits are subject to tax. (The tax-free limit is \$25,000 for singles.) At the other end of the income scale, married taxpayers with provisional income in excess of \$44,000 (\$34,000 for singles) will have as much as 85% of their social security benefits subject to tax. Retirees in the middle income group face tax on as much as 50% of their benefits. For this purpose, the "middle" is defined as provisional income between \$32,000 and \$44,000 for married couples, and between \$25,000 and \$34,000 for singles. You probably noticed the term "provisional income" in the preceding paragraph. This is a concept that exists only for purposes of taxing social security benefits. Basically, "provisional income" is equal to your regular adjusted gross income, plus 50% of your social security benefits, plus any tax-exempt interest. In other words, tax-exempt interest is potentially taxable when you are receiving social security benefits. There may be other tax surprises in store for social security recipients. For example, it sometimes makes sense to take extra-large retirement plan distributions. In some cases, U. S. savings bonds can be excellent investments. And paying off your home mortgage can be the best investment of all. Tax planning for social security benefits is tricky, and it's not a do-it-yourself project. For help in the running the numbers and finding the best tax-minimizing strategies in your situation, give us a call.

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MR. AND MRS. BUCK TOWNSEND

## Townsend to celebrate 70th anniversary

By Mary Kaigler

Together seventy years and still counting, Buck Townsend and Myrtle Webb of Rochester, who were married in Rule by Rev. Richards, Jan. 21, 1930, will celebrate the unusual, joyous occasion of their seventieth anniversary with a party Sat., Jan. 22.

The couple will be honored at a reception from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall at the First Baptist Church in Rochester, where they have been members for more than fifty years.

Living in Rule and farming the Simpson place out of Old Glory until 1934, the couple then moved east of Rule, where they farmed until 1942. They farmed near Rochester until they retired in

1974. On Jan. 1, they started the new millennium by moving into town in Rochester.

The Townsends had one son, the late R. B. Townsend. Their daughter-in-law, Earlene Townsend lives in Rochester.

They have two grandchildren, Rod Townsend of Hico, and Cherrie Lynn Stegemoeller of Waco. Their five great-grandchildren are Laci and Tandi Townsend, and Eric, Ross and Christi Stegemoeller.

Asked about his longevity, ninety-one year old Buck Townsend said he attributes it to "eating cornbread every day and lots of salt pork."

The party is being hosted by the family, who request only the gift of the presence of all the couple's friends.



KYLAH CLARK - SAM GOFF

## Clark, Goff plan March 18 wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Clark of Brownwood are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Kyla Lynn Clark, to Sam Goff of Ft. Worth. Goff is the son of Bill and Emilee Goff of Ft. Worth. He is the grandson of the late Sammie and Emma Griffith of the Paint Creek Community.

Clark is a graduate of Brownwood High School and Baylor University. She is a graduate student at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and employed as a teacher in the

Mansfield Independent School District.

Goff is a 1992 graduate of Cooper High School in Abilene and a 1996 graduate of Baylor University. He is enrolled at the University of Texas in Arlington as a graduate student. He is a high school Spanish teacher in the Ft. Worth Independent School District.

The wedding is planned for March 18 in the Coggin Avenue Baptist Church in Brownwood. Dr. Bill Goff will officiate.

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## Students in the News

Two Haskell students at Angelo State University were among 298 students to receive degrees during the fall commencement at the university.

Tonya Nicole Burson received a Bachelor of Science, with a major in Psychology and Hans Steffan Overton received a Bachelor of Science, with a major in Biology.

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# OPINION



## HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling  
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

**AUSTIN** — High school students' most important hurdle to qualify for graduation, the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills, is not biased against minority students, a federal judge ruled last week.

U.S. District Judge Edward Prado of San Antonio rejected the argument that TAAS, a reading, writing and math test, discriminates against blacks and Hispanics.

"While the [TAAS] test does adversely affect minority students in significant numbers, the [state] has demonstrated an educational necessity for the test, and the plaintiffs have failed to identify equally effective alternatives."

"The results of the TAAS are used, in many cases quite effectively, to motivate not only students but school and teachers to raise and meet educational goals," Prado wrote in his ruling.

Texas Attorney General welcomed the ruling. "Thanks to Judge Prado's decision, Texas can continue to prepare its children for higher education and the world beyond," he said.

But lawyers for the plaintiff, Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, criticized the judge's ruling and said the organization is considering an appeal to the U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans.

### Plan Would Upgrade Schools

Texas could have four "top" state universities in the near future, instead of just two.

A \$2.9 billion plan by University of Texas chancellor William Cunningham would upgrade the University of Houston and Texas Tech University to "Tier I" schools, on par with nationally ranked University of Texas at Austin and Texas A&M University.

If upgraded in status and funding, the new flagship institutions would begin offering a wider variety of doctoral, research, master's and undergraduate programs.

The state Higher Education Coordinating Board is studying the subject independently and will deliver a report in October.

### Guards Demand Session

Texas prison guards on Jan. 10 presented the governor's office with a petition demanding that Gov. George W. Bush call a special session of the Legislature to address a need for more guards and higher salaries.

In the 1999 legislative session, Bush said he would support spending \$53 million for pay increases for guards, but lawmakers failed to approve the funding.

### DPS Suspends Troopers

The Texas Department of Public Safety has suspended six employees who have been accused of racist acts or statements and other suspensions are possible.

The employees will be suspended with pay pending the completion of an internal affairs investigation.

Four employees were suspended for their participation in a birthday party for a black trooper 11 years ago in which they were photographed wearing hats resembling Ku Klux Klan hoods.

"There is no room in our agency for this type of behavior and it will not be tolerated," said Col. Dudley M. Thomas, director of the DPS.

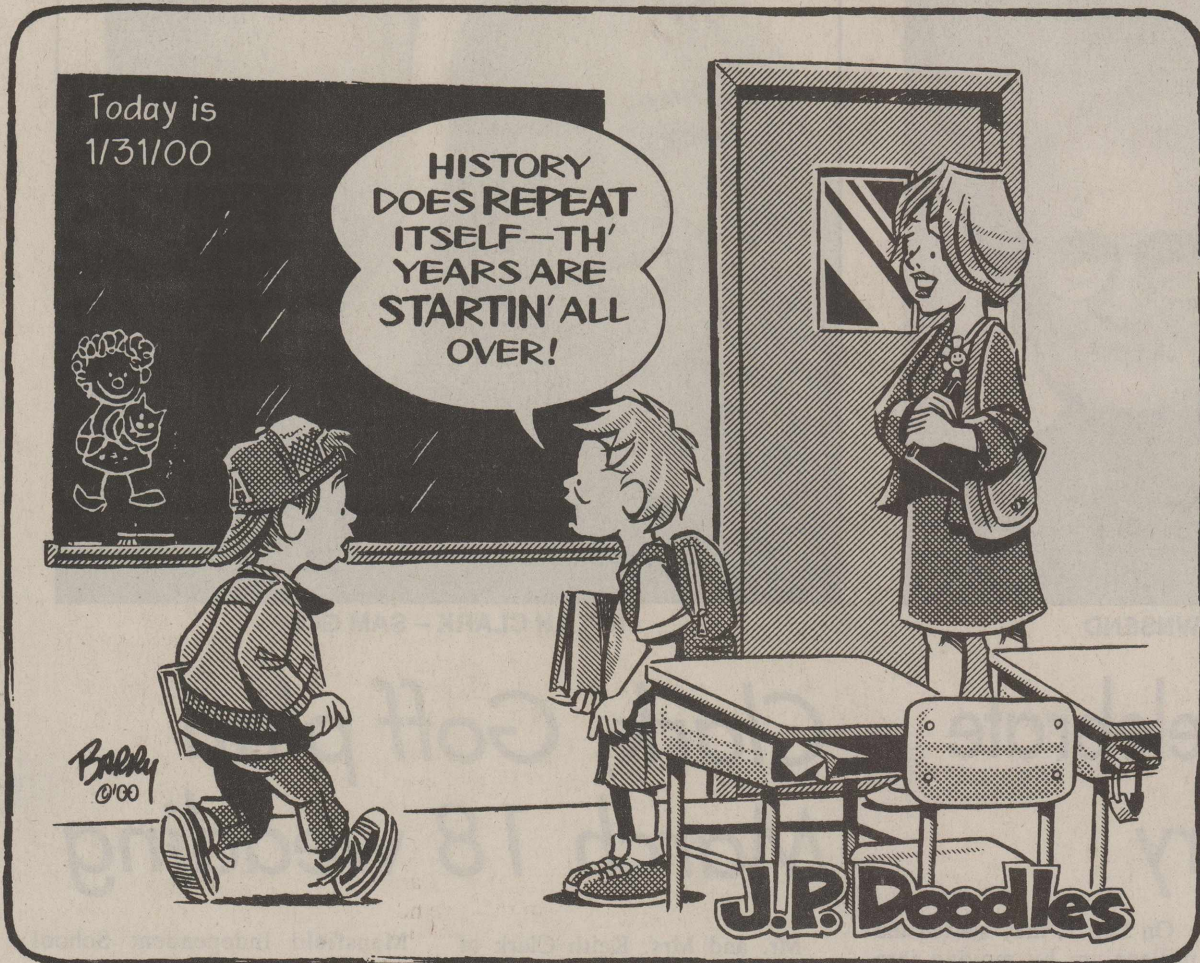
### Other Highlights

■ Texas Land Commissioner David Dewhurst has been ordered by state Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander to pay overdue sales taxes on furniture, art and other items he and his wife acquired outside the U.S. Dewhurst then called on the Legislature to review the state sales and use tax.

■ The U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals affirmed a previous federal court's ruling that dismissed a \$4 billion lawsuit filed by the Tigua Indians against the State of Texas. The lawsuit claimed the U.S. Constitution requires the state to compensate the Tiguas for 18 square miles of land on the east side of El Paso.

■ Gov. George W. Bush appointed Alfred M. "Mac" Stringfellow, a San Antonio businessman, as chairman of the Texas Board of Criminal Justice, the agency that oversees the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Stringfellow succeeds Allan Polunsky, who announced his resignation last week.

■ The Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services is conducting a public awareness campaign promoting the toll-free Texas Youth Hotline, (800) 210-2278. Hotline counselors talk with callers who may face issues such as family conflicts, delinquency, truancy, abuse and neglect. More information is available at [www.texas.youth.org](http://www.texas.youth.org).



## From The Inside Out

By Mary Kaigler

With all the talk one now hears about the dire effects of La Nina on our nation's weather, and gradual global warming causing widespread drought conditions, it isn't too much of a stretch to believe it may indeed be happening.

Considering the lack of rain and the mild, warm winter season we've had so far, it isn't hard for anyone in this area to realize that we are indeed, having all the signs of being in a serious drought.

"Dry spells have always been part of Texas and will likely continue," writes Ric Jensen, Information Specialist for Texas Water Resource Institute (TWRI), in an article brought to the *Free Press* office by Brandon Anderson, Haskell County Agricultural Agent.

Of course, droughts are not that foreign to us. We've been there before. Yet, because droughts don't have a definite beginning, we seem to hardly know that a drought is in progress until we observe such effects as the withering crops, falling water levels, and dried pasture grasses. As Jensen points out, "we know droughts will recur, but we don't know where, when, with what ferocity and for how long."

An old anecdote related by Jensen about the drought of the 1880s, may very well tell how Texans feel about droughts. A new settler moving into Texas, unaware of past dry periods, looked at a piece of farmland and commented, "This would be a fine country if it just had water." A grizzled farmer who had been bankrupted by past droughts and was on his way moving eastward replied, "So would Hell."

Jensen reports that no one knows for sure how many droughts have smitten Texas throughout history, but what we do know suggests that droughts have visited often, and come with a vengeance.

Among some of the earliest droughts he cites are one in the 15th century along the Canadian River that wiped out a native American tribe, one in 1756 that dried up the San Gabriel River, and one in 1822 that caused the first crops planted by Stephen F. Austin to wither and die. From 1822 through the 20th century, at least one drought has hit some part of Texas each decade.

According to tree ring data analysis and hydrologic records to assess drought conditions that have plagued Central Texas during the past 200 years, Quentin Martin of the Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA), suggests that the drought of the 1950s was likely the worst (in terms of intensity and magnitude) to afflict the regions.

Jensen says, rightly enough, that many Texans still vividly recall the

Dust Bowl of the the 1930s, which coincided with the Great Depression, and blighted Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Kansas and Colorado. "It struck in two periods (1933-34 and 1937-39) that were interrupted by normal rainfall," he said. "This drought was noted for vicious winds that blew away vast amounts of topsoil that was too dry to support growing crops. Many people who grew up during this time in West Texas recall lining up to buy water from the back of a wagon for \$1.00 a barrel. Many families bathed in shifts without emptying the washbasin and reused the water to irrigate gardens," he wrote. (I wonder how many in Haskell can remember and relate to some of those conditions.)

Of course, as Jensen said, as a result of the Dust Bowl, the federal government created the Soil Conservation Service and introduced other sweeping changes to help farmers prevent erosion and more efficiently use water resources.

Jensen said that perhaps the most surprising aspect of this year's drought is that people are surprised it's actually occurring.

He notes that in the introduction to *The Time It Never Rained*, Elmer Kelton writes, "Each new

generation tends to forget--until it confronts the sobering reality--that dryness has always been the normal condition in the western half of the state. Wet years have been the exception."

Jensen says that perhaps even more chilling is the idea that this drought is actually quite new, and if continued, the impacts will become more pronounced. "Drought is not only a condition of rainfall levels, but is influenced by water demand. A relatively minor drought (in terms of low rainfall) becomes a major headache as population and water use increase, and ecological needs are recognized," he said.

In a sobering, final thought, Jensen added, "Keep in mind that we may not have yet experienced the worse drought that nature has in store. Worse events may have happened before and may occur again."

In reviewing Ric Jensen's practical look at what we are and may be experiencing here in this Texas that I love, I'm reminded of that somewhat skewed bit of advice one of my co-workers in Midland used to say every time things began to ball up at the office.

"Cheer up," she'd say with irritating brightness, "the worst is yet to come."

## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

### 10 Years Ago

January 18, 1990

The Haskell Indians completed the first half of their 7-2A schedule with a perfect 6-0 mark after an easy 72-39 waltz past the Hawley Bearcats. Harper Stewart scored a season-high 27 points.

The Josselot Extension Homemakers Club met for their first meeting of the year in the home of Margaret Jones, president.

Duane Gilly, a teacher of agriculture at Haskell Secondary School, is one of 300 teachers nominated for the 10 Texas Excellence Awards for Outstanding High School Teachers given annually by the Ex-Students' Association of the University of Texas.

### 20 Years Ago

January 17, 1980

Two new candidates have announced for local offices in the May Democratic Primary. The new candidates are Charles Chapman who has announced for re-election for County Attorney and Frankie SoRelle who has announced for Commissioner Prec. 1.

Approximately 300 people attended the dedication ceremony of the new fire station last Sunday. Members of the Haskell Boy Scouts raised the American flag during the dedication ceremony; Roberta High sang the National Anthem accompanied by the Haskell High School Band.

Ruth Ann Klose of Haskell was among the 106 students who qualified for the Dean's List at Western Texas College during the

fall semester.

### 30 Years Ago

January 15, 1970

Two Haskell football players have won second-team spots on the Class AA all-state team chosen by the Texas Sports Writers Association. They are Lanny Ivy and Charles Franklin.

All-Region band competition was held Jan. 10 at Haskell High School. Two Haskell county students who entered in the competition were Darlene Abbott of Haskell and Edwin Roberson of Rochester.

Marsha Shaver, junior student at Texas Tech, brought the program to the Rochester Rotary Club about her trip to the National Maid of Cotton contest finals held in Memphis, Tenn. Marsha is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Shaver, Jr., of Rochester.

Ben Melton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Melton, of Haskell, has completed the fall semester as a member of the Howard Payne College Yellow Jacket Band.

### 40 Years Ago

January 21, 1960

David Gannaway of Haskell has entered one Hereford steer in the Junior Steer Division in the Houston Fat Stock Show and Rodeo.

Vernon Lusk and Alfred Turnbow won the championship of the annual Weinert Lions Club Domino Tournament.

The American Legion Auxiliary met with Mrs. Virginia Pitman as hostess.

The Progressive Study Club

## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

My name is Erica S. I am a member of Brownie Girl Scout Troop 529 in Marysville, Ohio. The troops in our area are doing a project that we believe you might be able to help us with.

We are looking for residents in your area who are interested in Girl Scouts. We would like anyone who would like to help us to send us postcards, letters, brochures on points of interest, or any other items that they feel would reflect positive aspects of their area. We would especially like to hear from some local Girl Scout troops about activities that their troops do at regular meetings, special events or trips, or badges that are unique to their area or council. We must receive the letters before January 30, 2000.

They can send these items to Union County Girl Scouts, P. O. Box 114, 15741 US 36 East, Marysville, Ohio 43040, % Troop 529.

If they would like to respond, please enclose a return address.

Verification of this project can be obtained by contacting Seal of Ohio Girl Scout Council in Columbus, Ohio.

Looking forward to hearing from your readers soon.

Union County Girl Scouts  
Marysville, Ohio 43040

## Haskell Co. Gin Report

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Haskell Co-op Gin	5,808
O'Brien	
O'Brien Gin	19,989
Rochester	
Rochester Co-op Gin	1,990
Rule	
Rule Co-op Gin	3,990
Sagerton	
Sagerton Gin	1,100
Weinert	
Griff's Gin	3,066
Weinert Gin	5,310
<b>Total Bales</b>	<b>41,262</b>

## Hospital

### Admissions

David Lyons, Azle  
Beulah Toliver, Haskell  
Alma Smith, Rule

### Dismissals

Jerry Smith, Nellie Bird, Floyd Hester, Romana Valdez, Dixie Asher, Tom Cobas, Michael Birkenfeld, Donald Bockman

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## Equine Passport to help traveling horse enthusiasts

by Brandon Anderson  
Haskell Co. Extension Agent  
State livestock health officials in Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Mississippi have forged a reciprocal livestock health agreement, making it easier for horse enthusiasts to travel between and within these states with their equine. On January 1, the group ushered in an "Equine Passport" that is valid for six months and can be used in lieu of the certificate of veterinary inspection (health paper), good for only 30 to 45 days, depending on the state in which it is presented.

"We spent months working with the other states to develop the passport, so owners could easily travel with their animals to rodeos, trail rides, competitions and events within the four states," said Dr. Beals, Texas state veterinarian and executive directors for the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC), the state's livestock health regulatory agency. "TAHC regulations prohibit the use of the Equine Passport for entry into pari-mutuel race tracks. All other major shows and events welcome either the new document or a certificate of veterinary inspection."

"Private veterinary practitioners have been very supportive of the passport, as it cuts down of filling out paperwork for their clients who

## Vaccine available

Pneumonia causes more than 40,000 deaths each year. But a vaccine can now fight 23 of most prevalent types of bacteria responsible for bacterial pneumonia.

"The pneumococcal vaccine is safe and effective," says geriatrician Dr. Craig Rubin, of UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas. "It can be given at any time of the year and for most people it's once-in-a-lifetime vaccination."

Those at greatest risk include people age 65 or older and those with chronic illnesses. Anyone with a weakened immune system may also be at risk and should ask their physician about being vaccinated. The vaccination is covered by Medicare.

There is no vaccine, however, for viral pneumonia.

## Which bug is to blame?

You're sneezing, coughing and feverish. You could have a cold; or you might have the flu. How can you know just what bug you've caught?

Telling the difference between colds and the flu can be tricky. Both can make you sneeze, cough, run a low temperature and generally feel bad. But the flu causes a higher fever and is usually accompanied by muscle aches, a severe headache, loss of appetite and chills, says Dr. Shelley Roaten, chairman of family practice and community medicine at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

"Colds happen all the time," Roaten says. "But influenza runs in epidemics. If you know several people who've had the flu recently, you might have it, too."

He also says people with the flu generally feel worse than those with a cold do and take longer to recover.

Laboratory tests for the flu are useful for research, but they are not helpful for treatment since the disease has run its course before the results are available. The quickest diagnosis comes from your physician.

## Expand a child's mind by reading

by Lou Gilly  
Haskell Co. Extension Agent  
Between the covers of a book, a child can discover endless possibilities. Extension Associate Jasmine Ng (Ing) suggests it's never too soon to begin reading to a child. Ng works with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service's Partner for Parenting program. Parents and caregivers provide loving interaction and expand the child's world through reading.

Experts suggest that parents begin reading to children when they are as young as a few months of age. There are several benefits of reading to children. Ng says reading provides opportunities for parents to bond with their children through conversation and physical proximity.

Most young children like to sit on laps when reading. It also helps children to develop listening skills and build their vocabulary bank. Ng says young children can recognize the syllables and learn the meaning of words.

Reading also introduces new concepts to children. Besides basic concepts like letters, numbers and color, children can learn about shapes and shadows, animals and even different cultures. Ng says it is important for parents to consider the child's cognitive level and choose books accordingly.

## Gardner to compete for NHS scholarship

Brandy Gardner, a Paint Creek High School senior and member of the Paint Creek National Honor Society, has been nominated to compete in the National Honor Society scholarship sponsored by the National Association of Secondary School Principals.

Debbie Hobgood, principal at Paint Creek High School, announced the nominations this week, which places Gardner in the competition. Two hundred national NHS winners will be chosen this

spring to receive \$1,000 college scholarships.

Principals in high schools throughout the country could nominate two senior high members of the National Honor Society. Nominees were selected based on their leadership skills, participation in service organizations and clubs; achievements in the arts and sciences; employment experience; and academic record. They were also required to write an essay.

Brandy is very active in NHS, Student Council, 4-H and community service programs. She is the daughter of Roland and Sharee Gardner of Haskell.



BRANDY GARDNER

## Students visit Rotary

John Mark Hodgkin is the son of Lonnie and Sara Hodgkin.

School activities for him include football, FFA and the PALS Program. Special awards he has earned include the A-Honor Roll, and having the highest average in Agriculture in both the 9th and 11th grades.

Hodgkin likes to spend time showing pigs, hunting, fishing and just working. He is a member of First Baptist Church, Haskell.

After high school, he plans to attend South Plains University for two years, then transfer to Texas Tech, pursuing a degree in Agriculture. After that he would like to return to Haskell and start his own farming and ranching operation.

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Dusty Yates is the son of Joe and Caron Yates of Weinert.

At Haskell High School he is active in football, National Honor Society, and the PALS Program.

Special recognitions for him have included induction into the National Honor Society, all-district football, Football Hero and the A Honor Roll.

He is a member of the Weinert First Baptist Church.

Among his favorite things to do are working with mechanics, hunting and trapping.

After finishing high school, Yates plans to attend Texas A&M University.



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## Billy Wayne Hester, Commissioner Prec. 1, announces for re-election

In March 1992 I asked the people of Precinct One to give me a chance to serve them in the office of County Commissioner. I am very proud to say that you gave me that chance, with a very good margin of victory. I then dedicated myself to serving Precinct One and Haskell County to the best of my ability. I now have seven years and four months of experience in the office and I feel I have made a positive contribution to the Commissioners Court of Haskell County.

Not only am I your Commissioner, but also serve as the President of the Haskell County Ambulance Board, a member of the Rochester Volunteer Fire Dept., a member of the only first responders group in the county serving the Rochester and O'Brien area and serve on several committees for the Commissioners Court.

My wife, Sheila, and I are lifelong citizens of Haskell County and have raised three children in the Rochester area. We have two

sons, Wayne Hester and his wife, Trica, of Anson, Texas, Michael Hester of Plains, Texas and one daughter, Shelly Hester Hall and her husband, Patrick, of New Braunfels, Texas.

During my seven years as your Commissioner I have always worked to obtain all of the hours of training that is required by the state and in most years more than is required. This training allows us to keep up with changes in the laws that govern our county. It also lets us have contact with other county commissioners from across the state and some of the state officials that make the laws which affect us as a county.

In closing I would like to say that I have dedicated myself to the people of this Precinct and Haskell County in what ever is needed of me. I think that the experience I have gained in the last seven years is a plus on my side. Thank you for your support in the past and I would appreciate your vote to re-elect me in the election in March.

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9th vs. Olney: Mon., Jan. 24, 5 p.m. at Haskell  
JV & Varsity vs. Archer City: Tues., Jan. 25, 4 p.m. at Archer City

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## Knox Co. forms Veteran's Memorial committee

During a meeting of the Veteran's Memorial Committee of the Knox County Historical Commission, held Wed, Jan. 12, in the Assembly Room of the courthouse in Benjamin, a discussion of establishing a veteran's memorial led to the decision to contact the Knox County Commissioners Court about possible locations. Several options about monument size, costs and fund raising were considered.

The committee voted to publish its proposed list of Knox County veterans in local papers after a site has been agreed on for the

monument. At the present time, record services within the county have revealed over 2000 names of veterans. The public will be invited to make application to include names of veterans who may have been overlooked.

Going back at least to the Civil War, (both Confederate and Federal veterans are buried in Knox County), the majority of veterans will come from service in the first and second World Wars. However, information about all service men and women will be sought.

Although the service memorial monument will list only names, the Knox County Historical

Commission will accept for its files any information related to a veteran's service. Such things as a copy of discharge papers, photographs (in uniform or not), obituaries, information on medals received or battles in which a veteran engaged, personal stories about a veteran's time in service, copies of letters written in wartime or other times of danger by veterans, would be of special historical interest in years to come.

In making the list complete, and to try to preserve in local archives the stories of the veterans to whom every person in the county owes so much, the Veteran's Memorial

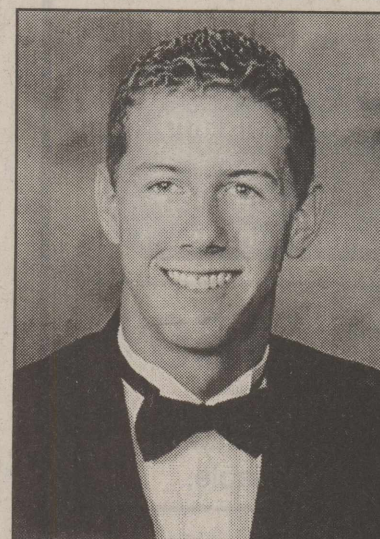
Committee asks the help of veterans, the families and friends of veterans and everyone with a connection to a Knox County veteran.

Members of the KCHC Veteran's Committee are: Alice Partridge, Bill Baker; Harold and Edith Beck; Mary Jane and Jackie Young, Charles and Betty Baker, Judge David Perdue; Darlene Bellinghausen; Sheri Baty; E. B. Hosea and Clara Brown.

Information, requests and donations can be sent to:

Veteran's Memorial Committee  
Knox County Historical Commission  
Box 77  
Benjamin, TX 79505

## Patton appointed to Air Force Academy



KEVIN PATTON

Kevin Michael Patton, son of Kenneth and Judy Patton of Haskell, has received an appointment to the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado, as a member of the Class of 2004.

The Haskell High School senior

received notice in November of being approved and virtually assured of an appointment to the Academy. After nomination by both Texas Sen. Phil Gramm and Texas Rep. Charles Stenholm, Patton has now received the official announcement which points out that he has earned a rare opportunity to participate in one of this country's finest officer training programs.

An Academy appointment entitles the equivalent of a full undergraduate scholarship, including room and board, medical and dental care, and a monthly pay allowance. Graduates are commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Air Force.

Commended by the Director of Admissions for his previous accomplishments which indicate he has the potential to meet the demands and challenges of the Academy, and for compiling an excellent, outstanding record of personal achievement, Patton has until May 1 to make the final decision to attend.

## Using the Net for nutrition information

Move over physicians. The growing interest in nutrition and disease has led some consumers to venture into cyberspace for health-related information. In fact, a national survey of one thousand Americans found that nearly one-third of them had used the Internet to obtain health and nutrition information - a trend that is expected to grow.

The World Wide Web has enormous potential to give consumers the information they need to take charge of their health - thanks, in part, to government agencies, professional organizations and credible experts committed to arming consumers with reliable information. On the other hand, unrestricted publishing on the Web has led to the appearance of inaccurate information and undocumented nutrition and health claims. With a little bit of "surfing" consumers can read that fluorescent lights leach vitamins from your body and bee pollen corrects body chemistry. Although such information is little more than entertainment, many consumers fail to recognize that such stories are without any scientific merit. In fact such information may be harmful - especially if it leads to consumers to adopt harmful health practices. Because there are no gatekeepers that govern what is launched into cyberspace, the appearance of false or deceptive information is likely to continue.

When searching for reliable nutrition and health information on the Web, sorting the fact from the fiction can be a challenge to many consumers. According to Jenna Anding, Ph.D., a registered dietitian and nutrition specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, consumers should start their information searches by visiting sites which are backed by government or professional organizations such as the USDA, the American Dietetic Association, or the International Food Information Council. These organizations have experts on their staff and promote reliable nutrition and health information based on science. Their web sites are kept current, provide links to other reliable sites and are likely to provide information with references that can be checked for accuracy. On the other hand, web sites that use personal stories to promote health and nutrition remedies, make unrealistic statements about nutrition, or use words like "conspiracy" or "poison" should be viewed with caution. Even if the information is valid, you may not be getting the complete picture.

What about personal web sites? According to Anding, many experts have their own web sites and promote valuable information. Consumers who visit personal web sites should look for credentials as well as references that can be checked. For example, if a person

claims that he/she is a registered dietitian, consumers can verify that credential by contacting the Commission on Dietetic Registration by phone (312-899-0040 Ext. 5500), by FAX (312-899-4772), or by electronic mail (cdr@eatright.org.) Persons interested in learning more about a physician's credentials are encouraged to check *The Directory of Physicians in the United States* which is published by the American Medical Association. This directory includes information on individuals that hold an MD or DO degree, regardless of licensure status and can be found in most large libraries.

Remember, just because information is published on the Internet does not automatically mean it is true. If you or your family decide to use online information to make health decisions, learning how to sort the fact from fiction is important. Don't be afraid to ask questions about the site and don't hesitate to check credentials or references. Finally, if there any doubts about the accuracy of the information, be sure to check with a registered dietitian, physician or health care provider for a second opinion.

For more information on identifying reliable web sites for nutrition and health information contact Lou Gilly, Haskell County Extension Agent-FCS at (940) 864-2546.

## In the Service

Marine Corps Pvt. Olen R. Cheyne, son of Tamara L. Cheyne, Haskell, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego.

Cheyne successfully completed 12 weeks of training designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally.

Cheyne and fellow recruits began their training at 5 a.m. by running three miles and performing calisthenics. In addition to the physical conditioning program, Cheyne spent numerous hours in classroom and field assignments which included learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, hand-to-hand combat and assorted weapons training. They performed close order drill and operated as a small infantry unit during field training.

Cheyne and other recruits also received instruction on the Marine Corps' core values-honor, courage and commitment and what the words mean in guiding personal and professional conduct.

Cheyne and fellow recruits ended the training phase with The Crucible, a 54-hour team effort, problem solving evolution which culminated with an emotional ceremony in which the recruits were presented the Marine Corps Emblem and were addressed as "Marines" for the first time since boot camp began.

He is a 1999 graduate of Haskell High School.

## Farm and ranch operations require financial planning

by Lou Gilly  
Haskell Co. Extension Agent  
Being a farmer or rancher doesn't just mean plowing fields and feeding cattle. Now, more than ever, farmers and ranchers must be financially astute with clear plans for their future.

It used to be that the main requirements for a rancher were a cowboy hat, boots and a love of animals. But as the old West has given way to the new West, Extension management economist Dr. Jim McGrann says computers, financial planners and marketing strategies are more of a necessity. He says farm and ranch managers need to have an appreciation for the broad business side of the operation. He says business come first and lifestyle second.

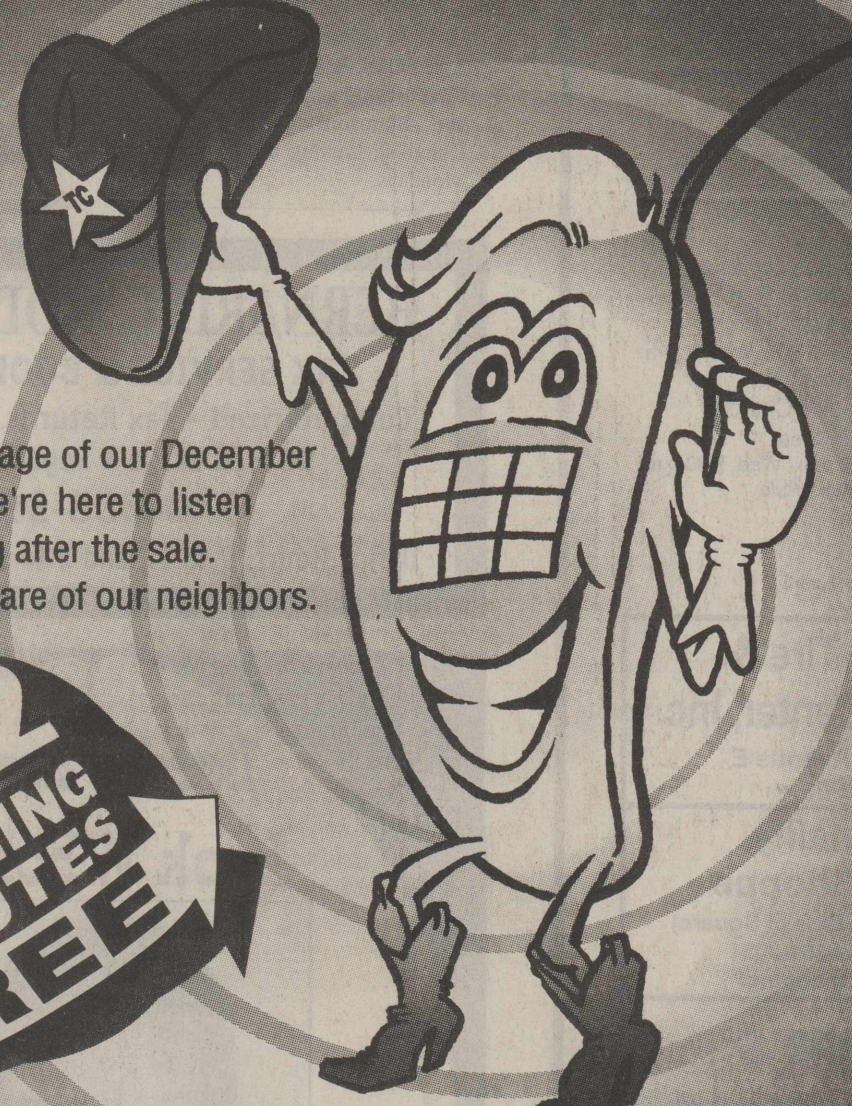
Records at the twelve-thousand acre Buffalo Ranch in southeast Texas are kept on computer for

quicker analysis. Cattle are run on part of the land and the rest is planted in cotton and other crops. General manager Jess McCrory says every penny is accounted for and measured against profit goals. He thinks college students are getting too specialized and that those seeking management jobs should have more training in economics.

Economics professor Dr. Ed Rister at Texas A&M University stresses economics of animal and crop science majors who would rather be working with cows and cotton. Rister says he's also seeing increasing interest in economics from students who want to run their own operations. Agriculture has never been as risky as it is today. And the experts say managers need to put in as much time inside with the books as they do outside with their product.

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**Jan. 24-28  
Breakfast**  
Juice or fruit and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu. Cereal offered daily.

**Monday:** Buttered toast  
**Tuesday:** Breakfast burrito  
**Wednesday:** Breakfast pizza  
**Thursday:** No School  
**Friday:** No School

### Students in the News

Two Haskell area students attending Angelo State University in San Angelo, are listed on the Dean's List for the fall semester at the university.

Those listed include Tonya Nicole Burson, a psychology major and Mary Kay Watson, an interdisciplinary studies major, all from Haskell.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must be enrolled as a full time student and have at least a 3.25 grade point average.

A choice of baked potato with choice of topping or a salad bar are offered daily at the High School. A la-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:** Steak fingers, gravy, creamed potatoes, tossed salad, hot rolls, pineapple tidbits  
**Tuesday:** Submarine sandwich, assorted chips, vegetable sticks, peach cobbler  
**Wednesday:** Pizza, tossed salad, seasoned corn, apple wedges  
**Thursday:** No School  
**Friday:** No School

## ECC Calendar and Menu

**Monday, January 24**  
Lunch-Pork roast, sweet potatoes, greens, cabbage slaw, cake, bread, milk, tea or coffee

**Friday, January 28**  
Lunch-braised beef tips, gravy, rice, peas and carrots, orange whip, chocolate chip cookie, bread, milk, tea or coffee

**Wednesday, January 26**  
11:00 a.m. Outreach Health Service blood pressure check  
Lunch-Meatballs w/gravy, pinto beans, buttered squash, carrot salad, fruit, bread, milk, tea or coffee

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## This Week's Devotional Message:



The word "help" is one of the most versatile ones in our language. It can mean something as little as holding a door open for someone, or as much as offering your services as a full-time volunteer to help the poor. Your local community is full of people and organizations in need of your assistance, and this list includes your House of Worship. When you think of all the blessings you have received

there if you have been attending the services regularly, you will be filled with a natural desire to do whatever you can in return. This might involve making phone calls, typing the bulletin, baking cookies, painting the stripes in the parking lot or performing some other needed job. You depend on the Lord for many things; show Him that He can depend on you to be there when you are needed.

### 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 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**  
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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

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Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m.  
1600 N. Ave. B, Haskell

#### First Baptist Church

Kevin Hall, pastor  
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
301 N. Ave. E, Haskell

#### Church in the Park

Rev. Tim and Suzann Townsend  
Sun. Morn. 10:30 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.  
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#### —PAINT CREEK—

#### Paint Creek Baptist Church

Paint Creek  
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#### —WEINERT—

#### First Baptist Church

Joel Rister, pastor  
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
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#### Weinert Methodist Church

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

Rev. Joyce Goossen and Rev. Diane Crownover  
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.  
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#### —ROCHESTER—

#### Church of Christ

Steve Willis, minister  
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.  
West on Main Street, Rochester

#### First Baptist Church

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.  
Sagerton

#### —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.  
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#### 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

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Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.  
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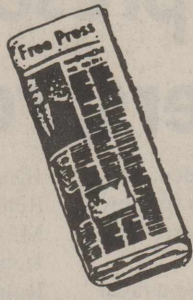
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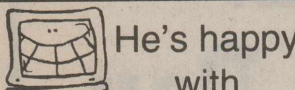
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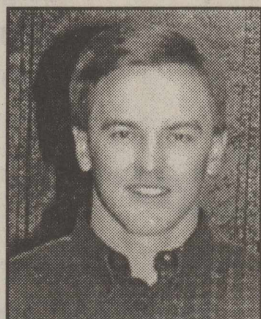
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Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Ulmer  
Mr. and Mrs. Keith Whitaker and family

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our relatives, friends and neighbors for all the acts of kindness during the illness and death of our beloved sister, Jo Marie Barnes.

A special thanks to the Rice Springs Care Home for their tender, loving care during her stay there. To our dedicated doctors, Dr. Wayne Cadenhead and Joe Yates, for their care and concern for Jo Marie.

Our special thanks to her minister, Shane Brue, of the First United Methodist Church and for the beautiful service that was rendered by each and everyone who had a part. Also a special thanks to the ladies of the First United Methodist Church for the delicious lunch that was served to Jo Marie's family and friends.

Thank you for the beautiful flowers, memorials, visits and phone calls. A special thanks to two dear ladies, Emma Bland and Frances Lane, who visited Jo Marie often in the care home. She loved them both.

Our thanks to Holden-McCauley Funeral Home for their excellent service. God bless each of you.  
Frances Bird  
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EXPO 2000—Area farmers and ranchers joined employees of Quality Implement Co. of Munday, Seymour and Stamford in Munday, Jan. 10, for a time of fellowship and viewing exhibits and films, learning about new products and services. Prizes were awarded to many who attended.

## Deadline to file for FSA election is Jan. 21

The election of a County Committee person will be conducted on March 14 for Local Administrative Area (LAA) 1. The LAA-1 area is as follows: O'Brien, Judd, Rochester area going to approximately 2 miles north of Rule to 1/2 mile west of Weinert. In an effort to assure that producers are adequately and timely informed about election procedures, outreach activities have begun. The

committee is actively seeking minority, female and producers from under-represented groups for nomination.

Eligible voters have the right to nominate candidate(s) of their choice by petition. Blank petitions (FSA-669A) may be obtained at the Haskell County FSA Office and nominations will be received through January 21.

Person nominated should be

currently engaged in the operation of a farm or ranch and be well qualified for committee work. A producer is eligible to be a County FSA Committee member is he/she lives in the LAA and is an eligible voter. A copy of the eligible voters' list may be requested at the local office. County FSA Committee members may not hold positions in certain farm and commodity organizations, if these positions pose a conflict of interest with FSA duties. These positions include functional offices such as president, vice president, secretary and positions on boards or executive committees.

The duties of the County FSA Committee member include informing producers of the purpose and provisions of the FSA programs; keeping the State FSA Committee informed of LAA conditions; recommending needed changes in farm programs; participating in county meetings as necessary; and performing other duties as assigned by the State FSA Committee.

Additional information of eligibility to hold office may be obtained at the Haskell County FSA Office, 506 S. 2nd or by calling 940-864-2617.

## Quality Implement presents Expo 2000 to area farmers, ranchers

Expo 2000 was a huge success for Quality Implement Co. of Munday, Seymour and Stamford. All the employees from the three dealerships came for a time of fellowship with the area farmers and ranchers in a 90-mile radius of Munday.

Attendees viewed a variety of booths and exhibits including new products such as the 9300T track tractor, HX14 Rotary Cutter, WebJDPS; the new connection between the customer and their local dealership to view parts availability on the internet and an array of new products and services. Other exhibits included tractor accessories, preventive

maintenance, lawn and garden, bulk oil, while others were free to view the traditional John Deere Day film.

Over 350 people enjoyed a meal of brisket, sausage and ham with all the fixings and ice cream.

Many prizes were awarded and the winners are as follows: JD thermos-Bill Thomas, JD coffee mug set-Fred Shaw, JD binoculars-Betty Weise, JD cooler-Hollis Muehlstein, JD thermos-Kyle Wilburn, JD cooler-Bill Thomas,

JD portfolio with calculator-Mac Reid, JD portfolio with calculator-M. C. Olson, JD wheelbarrow-Kenny Buerger, JD credit jacket-Randel Psencik, JD cooler-Mrs. Jim Waldron, large ivy-Bryan Kuehler, large green JD duffel bag-Rufus Webb, JD weathervane-Bryon Gass, JD binoculars-Mike Cox, JD socket set-Tom West, JD coffee mug set-Lester Hutchinson, large JD suitcase on rollers-Wayne Hutchinson and fire extinguisher-Tom West.

## Haskell Garden Club topic is Christmas plants

The Haskell Garden Club met Jan. 13 at the Haskell National Bank Community Room.

The roll call was given by Betty LeFevre. Committee reports were given by Ruby Holt and new officers were named and elected by acclamation.

The program was concerning Christmas plants. Topics were given concerning what to do with Christmas plants. They need eleven hours of good sunlight which is very important this season of the year.

Informative material was discussed and many good ideas were given to members concerning winning the battle against viruses, bacteria and parasites. Our plants will do better if we follow the instructions given.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses: Betty LeFevre, Kathy Baldwin, Sharon Lusk and Margo Hollingsworth.

Those present were: Erna Peiser, Florence Peden, Betty LeFevre, Hazel Hale, Wanda Ham, Birdie Fischer, Sharon Lusk, Mollie Carlisle, Ruby Holt, Mary Kammenga, Bennie Shelton, Melyn Wittenborn, Sue Hertel and Gladys O'Neal.

## Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 1,978 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., Jan. 15, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

Feeder cattle were \$1 lower; calves \$1 lower. Bred cows and pairs fully steady; packer cows and bulls steady.

Cows: fat, .32-.36; cutters, .28-.39; canners, .20-.36.

Bulls: bologna, .40-.4850; feeder, .55-.70; utility .30-.40.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.10-1.35; 300-400 lbs., 1.00-1.25; 400-500 lbs., .85-1.10; 500-600 lbs., .78-

.95; 600-700 lbs., .75-.88; 700-800 lbs., .72-.86; 800-up lbs., .65-.82.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., .90-1.12; 300-400 lbs., .80-1.00; 400-500 lbs., .75-.96; 500-600 lbs., .72-.86; 600-up lbs., .60-.80.

Bred Heifers: medium frame, 500-600.

Bred Cows: young to middle aged, 550-725; aged or small, 300-550.

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