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Local group makes mission trip to Texas border

By Mary Kaigler

As a part of their Mission 2000, a local group of youth and adults, sponsored by the First United Methodist Church of Haskell, has recently returned from a trip to the Texas border towns of Del Rio and Ciudad Acuna, Mexico.

Adult members of the group were: Rev. Shane Brue, pastor of the local church; Robb McClellan, youth director; Renee McClellan; Darrell Hunt; Melynn Hunt; Jerrie Sue Hise; Cathy Bartley; Bryan

McCullough; Cindy McCullough and Peggy Hairgrove.

Youth members of the group were: Kyle Hunt; Whitney Hise;

Heath McCullough; Ross Hairgrove; Blake Goss; Drew Garison and Charlie Smith.

They arrived in Del Rio on

Sunday evening, July 2, at the First United Methodist Church, where they stayed in an education building that was equipped with showers and

kitchen especially for use by mission teams.

On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, the group crossed the

border into Ciudad Acuna to spend each morning with 20 children at the New Fountain of Life Children's Home. Singing songs, playing games, sharing snacks, watching Spanish Veggie Tales videos and making crafts together, the children soon warmed up to the visitors, sharing together in a lot of smiles, hugs and the love of Christ.

Each afternoon the group traveled to El Buen Pastor United Methodist Church in Ciudad Acuna. After eating a lunch of sandwiches and chips they went to work, with some of the group cleaning out a storage room, making it into a Sunday School room. They painted tables and benches as well as walls and ceiling, and laid carpet in some of the rooms.

Another part of the group spent their time painting the exterior and trim of the pastor's house and also a concrete wall that surrounds the church grounds. With every member of the group working very hard in the hot weather, by the end of the day Wednesday, they had completed their projects and had time to spend a couple of hours shopping for souvenirs a few blocks from the church building.

Strongly believing they accomplished a lot in their short time in Mexico, members of the group said, "We shared the love of Christ with some children who don't get a lot of attention. We also strengthened the Church and hopefully enhanced its ministry to the local community in Acuna. Along with a sense of accomplishment, we bring home an understanding of how blessed we are to live in a great community, and a great country. We learned how often we take our blessings for granted, and we learned that God can use each one of us to bless others, if we are willing to be used."

After arriving home the team expressed their thanks to members of the First United Methodist Church, Haskell, and to all of those in the community who gave, prayed and supported them on their trip. "And we thank God for guiding, directing, and protecting us as we sought to reach out to others and do His will," added one of the group.



READY FOR MISSION—Members of the Methodist Mission 2000 group posed in the July sunshine for a picture before departing for their recent trip to Del Rio and Ciudad Acuna, Mexico, to do repairs and refurbishing on the church and parsonage in Acuna, and interact with 20 youngsters at the New Fountain of Life Children's Home there. Adults going on the trip were: Shane Brue,

pastor of Haskell First United Methodist Church; Robb McClellan, church youth director; Renee McClellan; Darrell Hunt; Melynn Hunt; Jerrie Sue Hise; Cathy Bartley; Peggy Hairgrove and not pictured, Bryan and Cindy McCullough. Youth members of the group were: Kyle Hunt; Whitney Hise; Heath McCullough; Ross Hairgrove; Blake Goss; Drew Garison and Charlie Smith.

Calendar

Town Hall meetings in Rule, Rochester

Haskell County, City of Haskell and The Development Corporation of Haskell, Inc. will hold two town hall meetings for the discussion of the issuance of Certificates of Obligation to build the Rolling Plains Regional County Jail and Detention Center. The first meeting will be held Mon., July 24 at 7 p.m. in the Rule School Auditorium. The second meeting will be held Tues., July 25 at 7 p.m. at the Rochester School Cafeteria.

Paint Creek School to hold registration

Students of Paint Creek School will register Wed., Aug. 2 beginning at 8:30 a.m. in the cafeteria. School starts at 8 a.m. Wed., Aug. 9.

Bible school

Weinert Baptist Church will hold Vacation Bible School July 24-28 from 5:30 to 8:30 each evening. This year's theme is Ocean Odyssey. All children ages four through 6th grade are invited.

Immunizations

The Texas Dept. of Health in Stamford will hold an immunization clinic Thurs., July 20 at the American Legion Hall in Haskell. Clinic times are 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call 915-773-5681.

Play Day set

Haskell Horse Club will sponsor a 3rd point playday July 22 at 7:30 p.m. Events will include barrels, flags and poles. Age groups are 8 & under novice, 8 & under regular, 9 through 12, 13 through 15, and 16 through 19.

Social Security

A representative from the Social Security Administration will be in Haskell at the old City Hall annex, 305 N. 1st, Thurs., Aug. 3 at 9:30 a.m.

Old Glory musical

The Old Glory Musical will be held Sat., July 22 at the Community Center in Old Glory. The best little concession stand in Texas will open at 6:00 and the music will start at 6:30 p.m. No admission is charged. For more information call 940-989-2925 or 989-2833.

Berryhill homecoming

The Berryhill homecoming will be held Sat., July 22 at the VIP Center in Stamford. All former residents and friends are invited.

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Haskell receives July sales tax monies

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander recently delivered a total of \$208.9 million in monthly sales tax payments to 1,106 Texas cities and 119 counties. July payments are up 16.9 percent compared to July 1999. Year-to-date, payments to cities and counties are running 9 percent ahead of the first seven months of 1999.

The sales tax rebates Comptroller Rylander delivered include \$192.3 million to Texas cities, up 17.1 percent compared to July 1999. Texas counties received July rebates of \$16.5 million, up 14.8 percent compared to a year ago.

July sales tax rebates represent sales taxes collected in May and

reported to the Comptroller in June.

Haskell County had a 0.05 percent decrease for July, 2000 of \$20,758.96 in comparison to \$20,771.35 for July, 1999. 2000 payments to date of \$180,291.17 reflect a 3.12 percent decrease over 1999 payments to date of \$186,104.06.

The City of Haskell had a 2.38 percent decrease for July, 2000 of \$19,814.48 in comparison to \$20,298.07 for July, 1999. 2000 payments to date of \$166,819.25 reflect a 3.85 percent decrease over 1999 payments to date of \$173,501.82.

O'Brien had a 483.68 percent increase for July, 2000 of \$36.48 in comparison to \$6.25 for July, 1999. 2000 payments to date of \$589.06 reflect a 9.92 percent

increase over 1999 payments to date of \$535.87.

Rochester had a 33.80 percent increase for July, 2000 of \$419.70 in comparison to \$313.67 for July, 1999. 2000 payments to date of \$4,058.63 reflect a 12.56 percent increase over 1999 payments to date of \$3,605.50.

Rule had a 256.72 percent increase for July, 2000 of \$459.07 in comparison to \$128.69 for July, 1999. 2000 payments to date of \$7,610.73 reflect a 3.55 percent increase over 1999 payments to date of \$7,349.67.

Weinert had a 18.48 percent increase for July, 2000 of \$29.23 in comparison to \$24.67 for July, 1999. 2000 payments to date of \$1,213.50 reflect a 9.20 percent increase over 1999 payments to date of \$1,111.20.

City, County enters into agreement

At the July 11 meeting of the Haskell City Council, the council discussed action to be taken on an interlocal agreement with Haskell County in connection with the Rolling Plains Regional County Jail and Detention Center.

Joey Kimbrough was appointed to replace Bobby Hobgood on the Economic Development Board.

At a special meeting on July 14, action was taken by adoption of a resolution to approve the issuance of certificates of obligation for the construction of the Rolling Plains

Regional County Jail and Detention Center, joining into an interlocal agreement with the County of Haskell, and to direct publication of Notice of Intention to issue certificates of obligation, to finance the jail facilities for the joint use of Haskell County and the City of Haskell.

The Haskell City Attorney will work with approved bond counsel, Arter and Hadden LLP, and all other persons and entities on the matter of the proposed Jail.

Fund established for Rochester boy

A fund to assist with the medical expenses of Justin Baty of Rochester, who is being treated for meningitis at Cooks Children's Hospital in Fort Worth, has been set up in an account at the City Bank of Knox City. Anyone wishing to contribute to the fund may do so to account number 1832190-7002238 at the bank.

The thirteen-year-old boy is the

son of Beverly and Willie Strickland of Rochester and Allen and Lisa Baty of Oklahoma.

He was air-lifted Tuesday morning from Wichita Falls to Cooks Children's Hospital in Fort Worth and is now in the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit. The address of the hospital is 801 7th Ave., Fort Worth, 76104.

Town Hall meetings set

Haskell County, the City of Haskell and the Development Corporation of Haskell, Inc., will host two Town Hall Meetings for the discussion of the issuance of Certificates of Obligation to build the Rolling Plains Regional County Jail and Detention Center, a 500-bed facility.

The first meeting will be held at the Rule School Auditorium, Mon., July 24, at 7:00 p.m.

The second meeting will be held at the Rochester School Cafeteria, Tues., July 25, at 7:00 p.m.

At the meetings, representatives

of Haskell County, City of Haskell and the Development Corporation of Haskell, Inc., will be on hand to answer any questions. Also, the video tape will be shown of the recent Town Hall meeting in Haskell in which overwhelming support of the proposed project was expressed by approximately 400 county citizens.

All county residents in the area of Rochester and Rule are urged to attend the meetings to learn more about the impact the Regional County Jail will have toward boosting the county's economic situation.

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Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 1,308 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., July 15, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

Steady demand good all classes, Jerseys, longhorns, Holsteins, cripples, out cattle and goons \$5-\$30/100# less than figures quoted.

Cows: fat, .38-.43; cutters, .36-.45; canners, .25-.35.

Bulls: bologna, .48-.54; feeder, .68-.76; utility, .42-.48.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.15-1.30; 300-400 lbs., 1.10-1.25; 400-500 lbs., .95-1.15; 500-600 lbs., .85-1.05; 600-700 lbs., .80-.94; 700-800 lbs., .77-.85; 800-up lbs., .70-.83.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.05-1.30; 300-400 lbs., .90-1.10; 400-500 lbs., .85-1.00; 500-600 lbs., .78-.92; 600-up lbs., .58-.87.

Bred Heifers: medium frame, 600-675.

Bred Cows: young to middle aged, 650-725; aged or small, 550-650.

Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, 775-1,050; aged or small, 675-740.

ECC Menu and Calendar

Monday, July 24
Lunch-Braised beef, three bean salad, mashed potatoes, squash, tapioca pudding, bread, milk, tea or coffee

Wednesday, July 26
11:00 a.m. Outreach Health Services blood pressure check
Lunch-Pimento cheese sandwich, soup, cabbage slaw, fruited Jello, milk, tea or coffee

Friday, July 28
Lunch-Roast beef, potatoes, gravy, green beans, strawberry short cake, bread, milk, tea or coffee
Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.

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

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Obituaries

Alan Bruce Garrett

Funeral services for Alan Bruce Garrett, 45, of Lefors were held Sun., July 2 in Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel with Rev. Lewis Ellis, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was Mon., July 3 in Restland Cemetery in Olney.

Mr. Garrett died Thurs., June 29.

Born in Haskell, he had lived in Lefors since 1961. He graduated from Lefors High School and attended Frank Phillips College, Clarendon College and West Texas

State University. He worked as a pipe fitter. He was a member of First Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Clara and Ree Gardner of Haskell.

Survivors include his parents, Dale and Brucille Garrett of Lefors; and one sister, Dale Ann Epps of Amarillo.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church of Lefors. PD. NOTICE

Robert L. Dumas

Funeral services for Robert Louis Dumas, 84, of Haskell were held Sat., June 8 at First Baptist Church with Dr. Troy Culpepper and Rev. J. C. Amburn officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Dumas died Thurs., July 6 at Haskell Memorial Hospital after an extended illness.

Born July 28, 1915 in Paris, Texas, he came to west Texas at a young age. He attended school at Junction, Abilene and graduated from Old Glory High School. He and his father bought a farm in the Josselet Community and moved to Haskell County. He lived on the farm until 1957 when he moved to Haskell. He joined the U. S. Navy in June 1942 and served until Oct. 1945. While on leave, he married Bertie May Brown May 1944 in Haskell. He held many jobs through the years to help supplement his farm income. He worked seasonally for the ASCS, as a

carpenter on housing at Dyess Airforce Base and several years at the Haskell Highway Dept. He retired in 1985. A Baptist, he was a member of First Baptist Church in Haskell since 1946.

He was preceded in death by his only brother, Clyde Dumas in 1948 and his only son, Billy C. Dumas in 1997.

Survivors include his wife, Bertie May of the home; one daughter and son-in-law, Roberta Louise and Donald Ray Bartley of Midland; one daughter-in-law, Charlene Dumas of Haskell; three sisters, Jewel Hatten of Los Angeles, Calif., Dorothy Colby of Lubbock, and Virginia and Eugene Eggleston of Little Rock, Ark.; four grandchildren: Keith and Stormy Bartley of Odessa, Laura and Jeffery Goodwin of Fort Worth, Gina and Steven Foster of Haskell and Sheree and Joey Branch of Waxahachie; seven great grandchildren; several nieces and nephews and a host of friends and neighbors. PD. NOTICE

Ruth Ezzell Wilcox

Funeral services for Ruth Ezzell Wilcox, 79, of Rule were held Fri., July 14 at the Church of Christ in Rule with John Greeson officiating. Burial was in Pioneer Cemetery in Graham under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Wilcox died Wed., July 12 in Rule.

Born Jan. 17, 1921 in Goldthwaite, she was the widow of Jack Wilcox. She had been a resident of Rule since 1952. She was a homemaker and a member of the Church of Christ in Rule.

Survivors include two sons and daughters-in-law, Mike and Frankie Wilcox of Abilene and Jackie and Paula

Wilcox of Rule; one daughter and son-in-law, Molly and Jerry Cannon of Rule; 9 grandchildren, Mikeana Jeffrey, Zachary Wilcox, Tiffany Glenn, Mindy Torres, Wade Wilborn, Stephanie Haynes, John Cannon, Keith Wilcox and Kayce Wilcox; 10 great grandchildren, Paige Jeffrey, Jeremy Torres, Jake Jeffrey, Jaclyn Torres, Sara Haynes, Taylor Glenn, Aaron Haynes, Tarryn Glenn, Tommy Cannon and Jade Torres.

Pallbearers were Zachary Wilcox, Tim Glenn, Keith Wilcox, Joe Ray Torres, Steve Bailey, Lane Hertenberger and Ronnie Oliver. PD. NOTICE

Alice Lowrance

Funeral services for Alice Lowrance, 98, of Haskell were held Wed., July 12 at East Side Baptist Church with Philip Martin officiating. Burial was in Gillespie Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Lowrance died Mon., July 10 at a local nursing home.

Born Jan. 4, 1902 in Knox City, she graduated high school from Baylor Female College at Belton now known as Mary Hardin Baylor. She earned both her B.S. and Master's degree from Texas Tech University and taught school for 32 years, retiring in Lubbock. She married William "Billy" Ezekiel Lowrance Aug. 17, 1925. He

preceded her in death Dec. 10, 1985. She was a member of East Side Baptist Church in Haskell.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Elmer and Emory Harrison.

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, Jerry Lee and Melba Lowrance of Haskell; two grandchildren, Lyndal Lowrance and wife, Kella; and Melissa Eudy and husband, Shawn; three great grandchildren, Cherise Lowrance and Bryce and Logan Eudy.

Pallbearers were Frank Jenkins, Bobby Tidwell, Brian Burgess, Ben McGee, W. O. Elmore and Bobby Medford. PD. NOTICE

Rosie Lee Payne

Funeral services for Rosie Lee Payne, 85, of Haskell were held Fri., July 7 at First Assembly of God Church in Haskell with Rev. J. C. Amburn and Rev. Carl Gates officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Payne died Wed., July 5 at her home in Knox City.

Born Feb. 20, 1915 in Comanche, she married Cecil Payne July 21, 1930 in Haskell. He preceded her in death Oct. 25, 1985. She was a homemaker and a member of First Assembly of God Church.

She was preceded in death by two sons, Cecil Lee

Payne and Billy Dewayne Payne.

Survivors include four daughters, Juanita Jordan of Haskell, Wanda Walton of Slayton, Deloris Brothers of Graham and Brenda Parker of Knox City; six sons, Orival Payne of Dublin, Jerrel Payne of Brownwood, Curtis Payne of Graham, Danny Payne of Mineral Wells, Claude Payne and Robert Payne, both of Haskell; 66 grandchildren, 23 great grandchildren and 9 great great grandchildren.

Pallbearers were grandsons, Daniel, Robie, Mitchel, Lynn, Terry and Cooter Payne. PD. NOTICE

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Students in the News

Hardin-Simmons University has awarded Leigh Ann Reel of Paint Creek the Christi Rogers Endowed Scholarship. Recipients of the Christi Rogers Endowed Scholarship are selected by the director of Speech Pathology and Audiology based on proven scholarship, a proven attitude and evidence of a motivated Christian life style.

Two-hundred and ninety-four students were named to the President's List for the 2000 spring semester at West Texas A&M University.

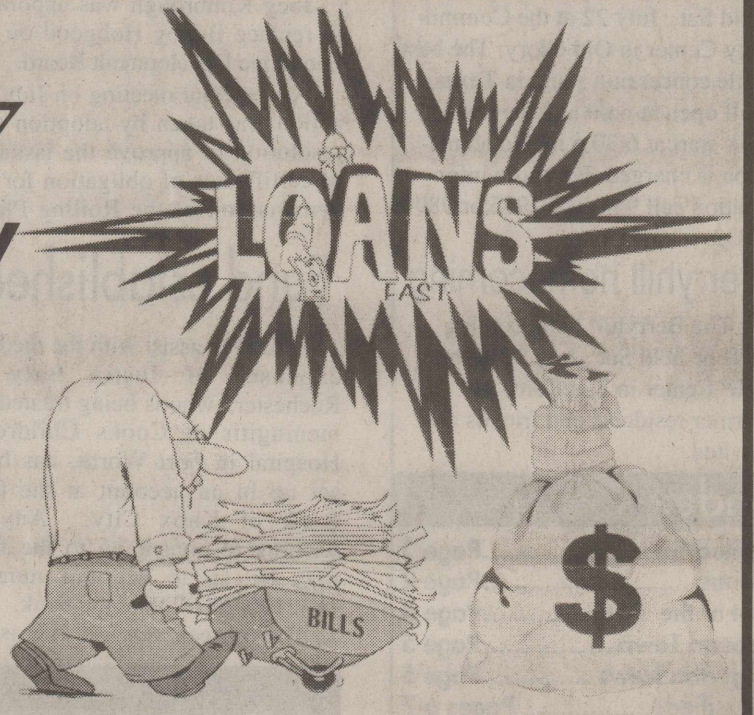
Students earning President's List recognition achieved a semester grade point average (GPA) of 3.85 (of a possible 4.0) or better with a minimum class load of 12 undergraduate hours.

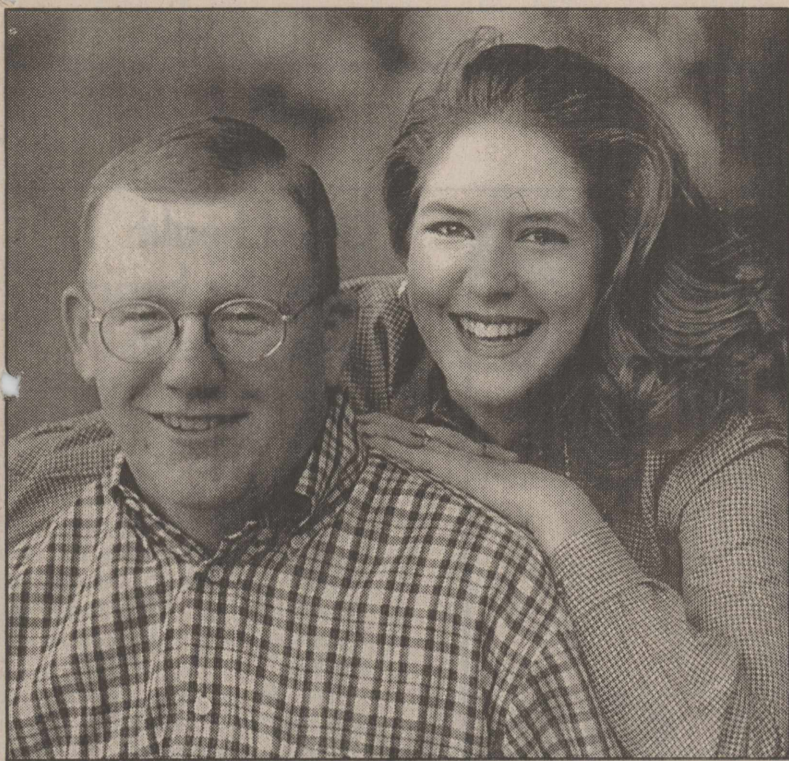
Area recipients include: Missy L. Teague of Haskell. She is a sophomore biology major.

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LEVI LEWIS - KASHA BRISTER

Brister, Lewis to wed in August

Vernon and Judy Brister of Wellington, formerly of Haskell, are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Kasha Lea, to Levi Lewis, son of Jerry and Della Lewis.

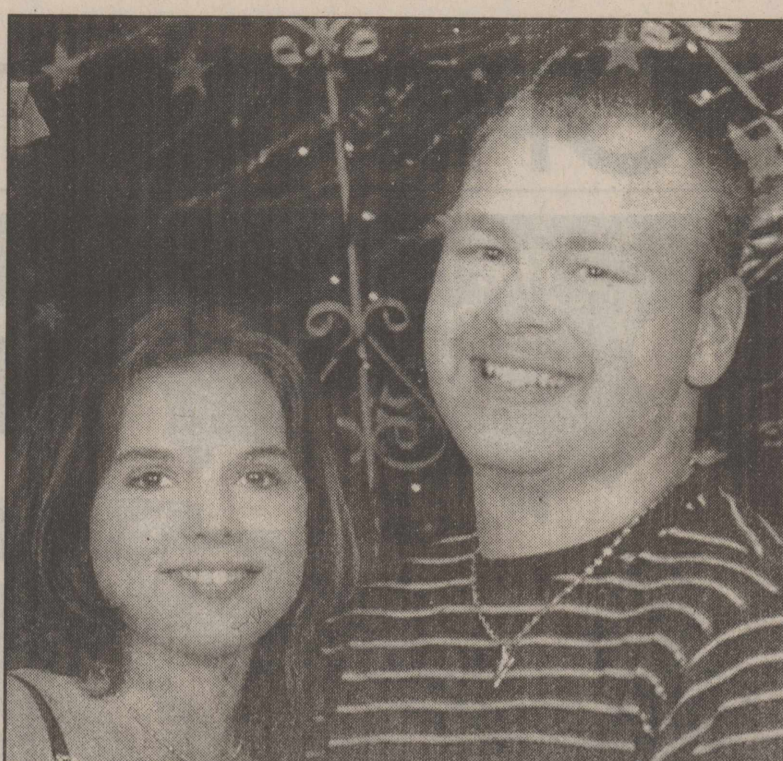
The couple plan to exchange wedding vows Sat., Aug. 12 in the First United Methodist Church in Wellington.

The bride-elect and the

prospective bridegroom are both 1998 graduates of Wellington High School and are attending Tarleton State University, Stephenville.

Kasha is the granddaughter of Alicia Lock of Wellington and the late Rev. Richard Earl Lock and the late Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Brister.

Levi is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Lewis of Wellington and the late Mr. and Mrs. Carl Shumate.



STEPHANIE STEPHENS - SHANE STEELE

Stephens, Steele plan July wedding

Bob and Sherry Burkett of Haskell have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their son, Shane Steele, and Stephanie Stephens, daughter of Winston and Sharon Stephens of Rule.

The wedding is planned for 7:00 p.m., Fri., July 28, at the Haskell First Assembly of God. Following the ceremony a reception will be held at the Haskell National Bank Building.

Harrell reunion set July 21-22

Descendants of Ike, Will, Charlie and Nathan Harrell will meet for the annual Harrell family reunion July 21 and 22.

Friday night activities will be at the Haskell National Bank community room. Sandwiches and homemade ice cream will be served to family members upon arrival.

Saturday activities will also be at the Haskell National Bank community room. Main dish will be brisket prepared by Gene Harrell. Every family attending is asked to bring a covered dish in addition to a handmade or store bought item to be auctioned. Friends of the family are invited to attend.

Club leaders attend workshop

Members of the Progressive Study Club of Haskell were among 43 leaders from the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs Mesquite District attending the district's 40th Annual Summer Workshop, held at the First Baptist Church in Stamford, Fri., July 14, to obtain materials for the new 2000-2002 administration and to meet the TFWC state officers in a casual setting.

Host club for the workshop was the Pierian Club of Stamford, which provided a morning coffee and noon luncheon. Stamford Mayor, Louis Johnson welcomed the group.

The all-day meeting was presided by Mesquite District president, Mary Kaigler, who introduced the members of the TFWC Traveling Team: President, Mary Beth Guy of Kirbyville; President-elect, Bobbe Mitchell of Sanderson; and Second Vice-president, Patricia Siegfried-Giles of Lancaster.

At the beginning of each two-year administration, the TFWC officers spend the month of July traveling to visit each of the fourteen districts. Speaking of the importance of their effort to do this, president Guy said, "Traveling to each district gives the officers an opportunity to visit with many club women who don't always go to the annual (state) convention. This makes the officers very approachable, which is important in an organization as large as the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs."

The TFWC is a member of the General Federation of Women's

Clubs, the largest and oldest non-denominational, nonpartisan, international organization of volunteer women. Guy is the 51st president of the TFWC. The theme of her administration is "Spanning the Millennium with Bridges of Faith, Friendship and Federation."

During the morning each state officer shared her expertise on valuable information to assist clubs in planning their 2000-2002 programs and projects. Women's Health Program will now include information concerning Social Security, and the Libraries 2000 Program, literacy, outreach for children, safety in the home and disability issues will have special emphasis in the new administration.

At the afternoon session, a Yearbook Workshop was conducted by Mesquite District yearbook chairman, Susan Graham of Stamford. Twenty-nine State Awards certificates for outstanding programs, projects, department chairmen resumes and yearbooks reported during the last year, were presented to Mesquite District clubs by past-president Lorea Kayes of Moran.

Clubs represented at the meeting were from Albany, Baird, Clyde, Moran, Knox City, Hamlin, Stamford, Throckmorton and Haskell. Local club members attending the workshop were: Progressive Study Club president, Judy Patterson; Erma Liles; Oleta Cornelius; Bettie Waincott; Mesquite District president-elect, Nancy Toliver and District president, Mary Kaigler.

Clement Gibson to be in Haskell Sunday

Clement Gibson, music professor at Southwestern Assemblies of God University in Waxahachie for the last seven years, will be at the morning and evening services at First Assembly of God Sun., July 23.

A minister in the Assemblies of God, Gibson has written, directed and produced dramas, musicals and pageants for over 30 years. He has served as Minister of Music and has taught in public and private schools.

Rev. Gibson and his wife, Rachel Masters Gibson, have been married almost 32 years. Their son, Chad, daughter-in-law Susanne and granddaughter, McKinley are also in full time ministry.

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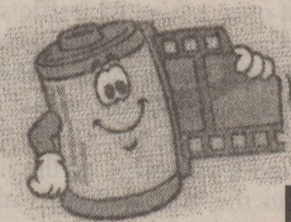


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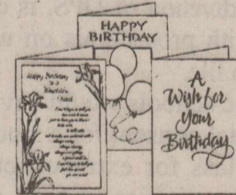
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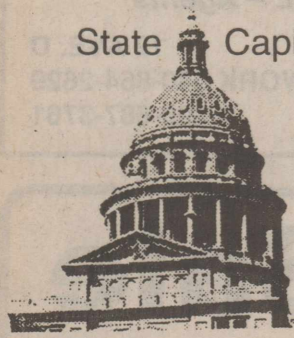
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State Capital



HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — Two hundred and forty-five of Texas' 1,046 public school districts will get a cut of a \$120 million budget surplus, the chairman of the House Education Committee said last week.

State Rep. Paul Sadler, D-Henderson, said those 245 districts will share in the surplus because they approved homestead exemptions larger than the minimum \$15,000 per home the state requires.

The larger the homestead exemption, the less a homeowner pays in school property taxes.

Debbie Graves Ratcliffe, communications director for the Texas Education Agency, said there are two reasons for the surplus:

- Student enrollment did not increase as much last year and property values went up.

When the Legislature passed the state budget last year, it was anticipated that enrollment would grow by 70,000 students, but it only grew by 50,000.

State Education Commissioner Jim Nelson said, however, "There is no certainty that a surplus of appropriations will exist in future years and even less likelihood in the first year of a state fiscal biennium."

Future Budget Surplus Unlikely

After major media outlets reported that the Senate Finance Committee anticipated a \$750 million budget deficit, Lt. Gov. Rick Perry said there actually is enough money in state coffers to meet current obligations.

"Over and above those obligations, I don't expect much of a budget surplus. We are going to be fiscally conservative," Perry said last week.

Higher-than-expected tax revenues from this year will be used to cover about \$610 million in cost overruns in the current 2000-2001 budget.

Perry, who presides over the state Senate, and other lawmakers say they don't expect to have much extra money left to roll into the 2002-2003 budget, which begins Sept. 1, 2001.

Looking forward to the next legislative session, when they will adopt the 2002-2003 budget, lawmakers said the state will be able to pay for school, social service and criminal justice programs even as Texas' population grows, but it will not be able to expand those programs.

In the 1999 legislative session, lawmakers raised pay for class-

room teachers and approved a health insurance program for uninsured children. Such increases won't be possible in the near future, they speculated.

Pipeline Firm to Pay Fine

Koch Pipeline Industries has agreed to pay a \$171,570 fine to the state for environmental violations at crude oil storage facilities it operates across Texas.

The company self-reported most of the violations listed in the agreed order. The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission and the company documented various air quality violations at facilities operated by Koch.

Violations included failure to install seals and vapor recovery equipment on tanks; failure to notify the TNRCC of shutdowns, construction startups or malfunctions of stations; failure to pay air emissions fees; and failure to conduct proper record-keeping and inspections at many facilities.

To date, the company has either replaced or repaired the tanks in full compliance with state law, taken tanks out of service, or sold tanks to buyers with full notification about necessary corrective action, the TNRCC said.

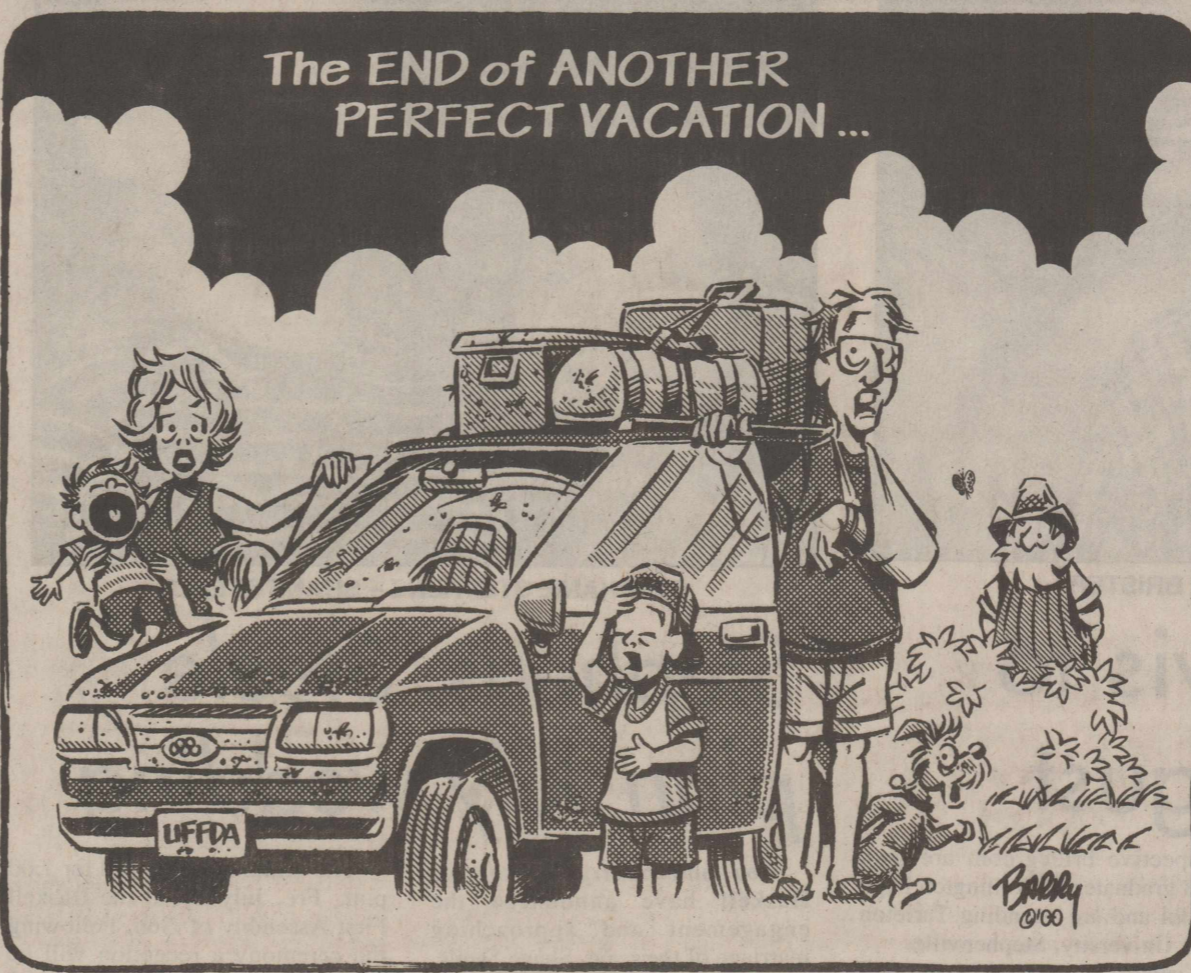
Other Highlights

- Lower-sulfur and thus cleaner-burning gasoline will be supplied to the Austin area in May 2001. The Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission said using low-sulfur fuel would be about like taking 60,000 vehicles off the streets. The downside: consumers will be paying higher prices at the pump for less-polluting gasoline.

- Lt. Gov. Rick Perry expressed regret over a June 28 traffic stop in Dripping Springs, in which he informed a Department of Public Safety trooper, "If you would just let us go, we'd be better." The DPS released a videotape of the incident to the media. Perry's aide, who was driving, received a warning for speeding.

- Hundreds of Texas college students illegally obtained state agency long-distance access codes, shared them via e-mail and word of mouth, and ran up thousands of dollars in long-distance bills, the Department of Public Safety said. The Capitol Police, a division of DPS, is consulting with prosecutors on what charges to file.

- Public schools would have to get parental consent for a student to skip class for extracurricular and other activities under a rule recommended by the State Board of Education.



From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago July 19, 1990

Helen Allison of Rule won first place last week in the pecan pie contest at the 69th annual Texas Pecan Growers Association Conference and Trade Show.

Receiving Lone Star Farmer degrees at the state FFA convention in Lubbock were Rod Jeter, Shane Buchanan, Chad Gibson and Mitch Mayfield.

Rochester High School varsity cheerleaders attended a National Cheerleaders Association camp at Tarleton State University. Attending were Jennifer Smart, Mindy Ballard, Angela Adkins, Joni Penman, Dara Conner and Kellie Spraberry.

Missy Davis and Marty Trussell received \$2,000 C. J. Davidson scholarships at the state FFA convention held in Lubbock.

20 Years Ago July 17, 1980

Lynn Weatherly of Haskell and Janette Holmes of Rochester were participants in the Senior Division of the Haskell County Fashion Revue. Weatherly will represent Haskell County in the District Fashion Revue in Abilene.

Haskell High School cheerleaders attended the 2nd Annual Big Country Cheerleaders Camp at Hardin-Simmons University. Attending were Terri Welsh, Janet Wallace, Lorie Johnson, Cindy Everett, D'Anne Burris and Kim Lane.

Stanley Hager of Weinert will play in the All-Star basketball game in July at Tarleton. Perry Patton and Brian Adams, both of Weinert, will play in the All-Star football game in July at Tarleton.

30 Years Ago July 16, 1970

Abe M. Turner, president of Haskell National Bank, was appointed a member for District 7 of the Texas Bankers Association Agriculture Committee.

The Hardin-Simmons University Dean's List for the spring semester include Linda Griffith of Paint Creek, Billie Cadenhead and Gerre Larned, both of Haskell and Arch Mayfield of Weinert.

Mike Gholson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Buster Gholson of Haskell, has arrived in Orlando, Florida for Navy Recruit Training. Gholson is a graduate of Haskell High School and Texas Tech University.

40 Years Ago July 21, 1960

Harold Spain, Haskell postmaster, has been named campaign chairman for the annual United Fund Drive to be held in the fall.

City Fireman Floyd "Satch" Lusk attended the annual Firemen's Training School at College Station. This is his 11th consecutive year to attend.

Dr. David Ballard, veterinarian from Stamford, will be at the City Hall fire station on July 22 to give dogs the rabies vaccine.

50 Years Ago July 20, 1950

Clinton H. Herren of Haskell has purchased two registered Jerseys from the herd owned by J. C. Haliburton, Jr. of Rochester.

Jack V. Muldrow, Haskell school principal, has been awarded a driver's education certificate by the University of California.

A Weinert soldier, Pfc. Billy Therwanger, who has been stationed at Fort Lewis, Washington, has sailed for an unspecified overseas destination.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Frierson will open a drive-in sandwich shop at 106 Ave. F and South 2nd Street. The shop will be known as the Quick-Snack.

90 Years Ago July 16, 1910

Mrs. F. M. Morton of Haskell and Mrs. Darr of Dallas are spending the summer in Colorado.

Mrs. J. D. Hughes and son, Master Dimmitt of Georgetown, were here Friday. Mrs. Hughes owns a large tract of land southeast of Haskell.

The Haskell Creamery has been put into operation and from all indications the venture is proving profitable both to its owners and in furnishing a local market for cream.

Judge J. E. Poole of the Haskell Board of Trade says there are prospects of securing a cotton textile factory here. He has had inquiries from several interested parties.

Good health attitudes begin with parents

by Jennifer Hays
Baylor College of Medicine
Houston, Texas

Looking back, many of us can pinpoint the traditions or cultural values our mothers passed down to us as we were growing up. And often, it is a mother's attitudes and behaviors that can make the longest-lasting impression on children.

We know that parents are constantly influencing their children's relationship with food and activity as well as self-esteem. Researchers usually focus on how unhealthy lifestyles and behaviors, such as smoking, alcoholism, domestic violence and obesity, are handed down through the generations. The more positive practices have been largely overlooked, but we are now beginning to examine the process of how healthy attitudes and behaviors affect future generations. Good lifestyle habits and a positive self-image can also be handed down from mother to daughter.

We know that if mothers adopt positive parenting attitudes and behaviors with regard to health, their children are likely to be happier with with bodies and have healthy eating and exercise habits.

Body image is a prime example. Many moms tell their daughters they are beautiful, then turn around and criticize their own bodies. This practice negates the compliments and encourages their daughters to be critical of themselves.

As a mother myself, one of my goals is to provide my daughter with an environment full of healthy attitudes and behaviors. We don't focus on looks, weight or diets. Instead, I encourage my children to do things that make them feel good and give them energy.

Even if I don't always want to reach for a healthy snack or exercise before watching television, I do. I'm pretty sure that if I convey the attitudes and habits I want my daughter to have, not only will I help her, I will be helping myself.

Remember that our children do what we do, not what we say, so think twice before you criticize your shape, size or hips. Passing down a legacy of good health is the best motivation of all.

Hospital

Admissions

Miles Powell, Rule
Naomi Owen, Rochester
Ilene Smart, Haskell

Dismissals

Rosie Reidenbach, Emma Franklin, Lena Rueffer, Giles Kemp, Cindy Guess

Ask the AG

By John Cornyn, Attorney General

Q: My wife took her car in to the shop for repairs, and the final bill was much higher than the quoted estimate. The shop performed repairs that neither of us had approved, but we were still forced to pay the bill to get our car. How can I file a complaint?

A: While the majority of car repair shops are operated in an honest fashion, the Office of the Attorney General receives a number of complaints against auto repair

shops each year. We commonly receive complaints about repair shops that charge consumers for unauthorized repairs.

The Texas Deceptive Trade Practices - Consumer Protection Act makes it illegal for a car repair shop to make false statements about the need for parts or repair, state that work has been done when it hasn't, or sell parts as original when they aren't.

If you have a disagreement with

a repair shop over the cost of repairs, have the shop provide a written explanation for the repairs or extra cost. Keep this information with the repair bill and the original written estimate.

If you feel that repairs were not done properly, take all of the written information and your car to another mechanic. Ask the mechanic to inspect the car and provide a written report.

If you refuse to pay a repair bill, even one that you are disputing, the repair shop has the legal right to keep your car until you pay.

If you are unable to achieve a satisfactory resolution with the mechanic, you can file a complaint with the Consumer Protection Division of my office. To be mailed a complaint form, call Consumer Protection at (800) 621-0508. You can also file a complaint online through our Web site at www.oag.state.tx.us.

Q: I recently purchased a car and have had nothing but problems. It has been to the dealer many times for repairs, but it still is not running properly. Does Texas have a lemon law?

A: Texas does have a Lemon Law; however, it only applies to new cars, vans, trucks, SUVs, and motor homes that develop problems covered by a written factory

warranty. In Texas, used cars, program cars, repossessed vehicles, trailers, and boats are not covered under the Lemon Law.

Although the Lemon Law does not apply to used cars, there may be options available to you through the state's Deceptive Trade Practices Act. You might wish to consult a private attorney or file a consumer complaint with my office.

With respect to new cars, a "lemon" is a vehicle that has a serious defect that impairs the car's use or value or creates a serious safety problem. For a car to be declared a lemon, the dealer must be notified of the problem and given a reasonable number of attempts to repair it. The law sets out certain conditions on the number of repair attempts allowed within a certain time period.

The Texas Department of Transportation's (TXDOT) Motor Vehicle Division administers the Texas Lemon Law. According to TXDOT, consumers in about half of the cases that the division handles receive replacement, repurchase, or repair of their vehicles.

TXDOT publishes a handbook on the Lemon Law. For a copy of the handbook, and for more information on consumer issues, contact TXDOT at (800) 622-8682

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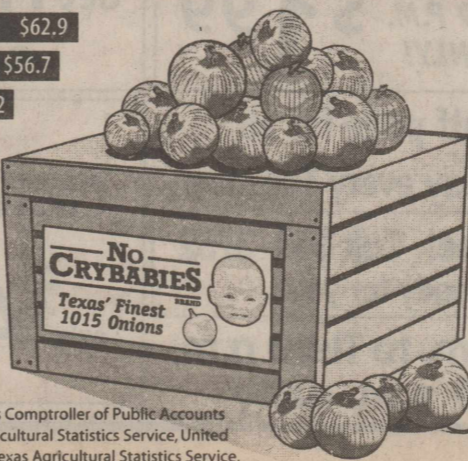
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Keeping an Eye on Texas

Among Texas-grown vegetables, the onion runs rings around its colleagues. It's the state's top vegetable, accounting for about \$93 million, 27 percent of the state's \$335 million in vegetable sales annually.

Top Ten Vegetables Produced in Texas, 1999 (value in millions)

Spring onions	\$62.9
Cantaloupes	\$56.7
Cabbage	\$41.2
Summer onions	\$30.8
Carrots	\$30.6
Watermelons	\$29.6
Honeydew melons	\$17.1
Sweet corn	\$7.7
Spinach	\$6.7
Bell peppers	\$6.2



SOURCES: Carole Keeton Rylander, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts (www.window.state.tx.us); National Agricultural Statistics Service, United States Department of Agriculture, and Texas Agricultural Statistics Service.

Armyworms invade Haskell

by Brandon Anderson
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
 Armyworms can destroy lawns, shrubby, vegetable gardens and flowers, as well as many agricultural crops. The locations of their attacks vary each year throughout the state. They are most severe in the fall of the year when they defoliate plants rapidly in unpredictable sites.

Description
 Common species of armyworms in Texas include: the fall armyworm, *Spodoptera frugiperda*; the yellow striped armyworm, *Spodoptera ornithogalli*; the beet armyworm, *Spodoptera exigua*; and the armyworm, *Pseudaletia*

unipuncta.
 Armyworm is correctly used to mean the one species, *P. unipuncta*. This also is called the "true armyworm" to distinguish it from other species. The term "armyworms" refers to all of the above species and others which sometimes are abundant and confused with them.

Larvae, or caterpillars, are green or brown with various markings. Color depends on the species, individual variation and food. They range in size from about 1/8 inch or less for the newly hatched to a full-grown larva of about 2 inches. Larval development occurs by molting the outer skin. The pupa,

or resting stage, does not resemble a caterpillar, but is brown and hardshelled. It is found in the soil where it lies almost motionless.

Adult armyworms are moths that often can be found in abundance around outside lights. They vary in coloration and markings depending on the species involved. Armyworm moths, or "millers," have a 2-inch wingspread.

Hosts Attacked
 Armyworms attack many different kinds of plants. When food is scarce, they will move to plants that are not normally attacked. Thus, armyworms can be found on nearly any plant as they migrate in search of edible foliage. The preferred host plants are corn, small grains and grasses.

Some other plants attacked by armyworms include: sweet potato, beans, turnip, clover, tobacco, spinach, cucumber, potatoes, tomatoes, cowpeas, cabbage and bluegrass.

Damage consists of foliage consumption. Least preferred parts of the plants, such as stems and large leaf veins, will not be attacked unless caterpillars are near starvation.

Control
 Armyworms should be controlled when they occur in large numbers or plant damage is becoming excessive. Preventive treatments normally are not justified because attacks are sporadic. Early detection seems to work best and is achieved by frequent, thorough inspection of plants. Insecticides recommended for armyworms control are: Orthene, Diazinon, Sevin and Dylox. Follow all directions, particularly safety precautions, on the insecticide package label. Although any of the insecticides will control armyworms, not all are labeled for use on all host plants. Be sure to follow the information as it appears on the label. Insecticide label clearances are subject to change and changes may have occurred after this article is printed. The pesticide user is always responsible for the effects of pesticide residues on his own plants as well as problems caused by drift from his property to other properties or plants.

Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Bernice Hilliard attended the square dance given by the County Cousins at the Wagon Wheel. The caller was Tracy Dowell.

Joyce Hawkins went home with the Phillip Cockerells from the family reunion and spent a couple of days. Floradean brought her home on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glendon Hawkins and her children Steven and Jessie of Irving visited his mother, Joyce Hawkins, on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Wilfong along with their son and wife, Cal and Alta, of Knoxville, Tenn. flew

to Canada for a week vacation. They said it was so nice and cool and they had a wonderful time.

Dr. Frank and Billie Cadenhead and Mary Martin have returned from Glorietta.

Eddie and Sue Medford went to Ruidoso for vacation.

Lynn Gray of Grapeland came by his mom's Faye on Tuesday and spent the night. He had been to Red River, N. M. for vacation.

Kip and Kay Derrick of Ft. Worth visited her parents Bro. Paris and Fannie Mae Barton the fourth of July weekend.

Sunscreen, sunglasses: Don't leave home without them

There are two things you should never leave home without in the summer: sunscreen and sunglasses. Sun exposure not only increases the risk of skin cancer but can also cause wrinkles.

Using sunscreen is one of the most important steps you can take to keep your skin looking young, says Dr. Rod Rohrich, chairman of plastic surgery at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

"Wear sunscreen all the time, not just when you're going to the beach," Rohrich says. "Sun exposure comes from simple daily

activities, not just from deliberate recreational sun exposure."

Choose a sunscreen with a sun protection factor (SPF) of at least 15 and one that offers protection from both ultraviolet A and B (UVA and UVB) light. Reapply it often.

"Reflective sunglasses can help prevent fine wrinkles around the eyes," says Rohrich. "Interestingly, the use of sunglasses and avoiding direct sun on your eyes also diminishes your risk of cataract formation later in life."

Sagerton News

By Dorothy M. Clark

The population of our community has been increased by four new citizens who have moved here. We are happy to welcome Eddy and Sabrina McIlwain and their two children, Cedar, who is three years old and his little sister, Cequin, who is 8 months. The family has moved into the Alvin Ulmer house on the east outskirts of town. Mr. McIlwain is employed by Big Country Electric Co-op in Stamford. We hope they will be here for a long time and we invite them to take part in the activities we enjoy in our little part of the Big Country.

Ladies of Faith Circle of Faith Lutheran Church met Tuesday afternoon for Bible study led by Barbara Nauert followed by refreshments served by Laverne Stanhope and Dorothy Toney. Other ladies enjoying the fellowship during the afternoon included Mary Neinast and Helen Lehrmann.

Gene and Adela Teichelman were chairmen of a group of hosts who sponsored an afternoon of games followed by a brisket supper with all the trimmings at the Bunkhouse in Stamford Wednesday afternoon. Assisting with the host duties were Valton and Bea Schmidt, Mary Neinast, Corene Lowack, Hilda Kieke and Pat Prewit. About 50 friends enjoyed the afternoon together and look forward to the annual event next year.

The Hobby Club met at the community center Thursday afternoon for its regular monthly meeting with Mary Neinast hostess. During the business meeting, the ladies discussed the upcoming outing for their spouses and the annual bazaar that is to be held in October this year. Three visitors were present at the meeting including Denise Cothran, Melissa Worthington and her daughter, Kayla. Members present were Frances Clark, Christine Stremmel, Wilma Teichelman, Jo Brown,

Dorothy Toney, Joyce LeFevre, Ev Ulmer and Margaret Wendeborn. The club meets each month on the second Thursday of the month and invites any lady of the community to join them or just come for a visit. The club sponsors many worthwhile community projects and

hosts the annual bazaar as a money-making project.

Joe and Dorothy Clark accompanied their son Ray to Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri during the weekend for a short visit with Ray's son, Phillip, who is stationed with the U. S. Army there. The Clarks' granddaughter, Mikala, returned home with them

and will be spending some time in Texas visiting with relatives.

Farmers remain busy in the fields as the weeds continue to grow along with the beautiful cotton, sesame and grazer. For all readers from outside our area, you will be glad to hear that crops are looking good and farmers are hopeful at the present time for a harvest this year. Truly a good feeling for a change.

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Love,
 B.J. and Candace

To All Citizens of HASKELL COUNTY

Haskell County, City of Haskell and The Development Corporation of Haskell, Inc. will host two Town Hall meetings for the discussion of the issuance of Certificates of Obligation to build the Rolling Plains Regional County Jail and Detention Center, a 500-bed facility.

The first meeting will be held
Monday, July 24, 2000
 at 7:00 p.m. at the
Rule Schools Auditorium.

The second meeting will be held
Tuesday, July 25, 2000
 at 7:00 p.m. at the
Rochester School Cafeteria.

Representatives of Haskell County, City of Haskell and the Development Corporation of Haskell, Inc. will be at the meeting to answer any questions. The videotape of the recent Town Hall meeting will be shown.

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COOKWARE: We stopped doing dinner parties! Have beautiful new 17-piece sets left! Heavy, brilliant surgical stainless steel! 100% waterless! Was \$1600.00, now \$395.00! Lifetime warranty! 1-800-434-4628. 29p

FOR SALE: Entertainment center, good condition \$35. Call 864-8062. 29p

For Sale

FOR SALE: Electric recliner, works good, \$45; small color TV, good, \$35; jet well pump \$50. 604 N. Ave. C. 29p

TO GIVE AWAY: Kittens. 864-2043. 29c

FOR SALE: Evaporative cooler \$100; Super Nintendo, 1 game \$25; microwave \$35; child's learning electronic game \$15; eat tree \$10; large recirculating window fan \$10. 200 N. 3rd St., Haskell. 29p

Cars For Sale

FOR SALE: 1995 Jeep Grand Cherokee. Laredo package. Wildberry color. Electric windows/locks, power front seats, tinted windows, tow package. Excellent condition. 889-2616 or 889-3009. 28tfc

Garage Sales

MOVING SALE: Need room, must sell! Sat., July 22, 8 til noon. 2 sleeper sofas, wooden table and chairs, holiday items, clarinet, much more. 1606 N. Ave. F. Debbie Hobgood. 29c

Jobs Wanted

HOUSE LEVELING. Floor bracing, slab, pier and beam. Insurance claims, free estimates. References. No payment until work satisfactorily completed. David Lee & Company. 915-675-6369 50tfc

CHILD CARE: 2 meals, 1 snack furnished. 2 openings. 864-6127. 200 N. 3rd St. 29p

Wanted

CASH PAID for old lever action Winchester rifles, Colt pistols and most other guns and western memorabilia. A. C. Richardson at store Hwy. 277 N. 12tfc

Miscellaneous

CUSTOM FRAMING. Country Friends and Frames, 101 N. Swenson, Stamford. 915-773-2661. Complete framing needs. Closed Mondays. 29c

For Rent

FOR RENT: 2 bedroom, 1 bath. CH/A. carpet, carport in Weinert. Day 864-2629, nights 940-673-8296. Available Aug. 1 28tfc

FOR RENT: 3 bedroom home, 1 1/2 bath, covered parking. 205 N. Ave. M. 864-3439. 29-30p

FOR RENT: 604 N. 3rd. Nice 1 and 2 bedroom apartments. CH/A. 864-3762. 29c

FOR RENT: 800 1/2 N. 1st East. 1 bedroom house. 864-3762. 29c

Help Wanted

RN/LVN NEEDED. Contact D.O.N. Tori Hicks, Rice Springs Care Home. 940-864-2652. 17tfc

G & S ELECTRIC & Refrigeration in Aspermont needs a full-time electric HVAC and refrigeration technician. Experience required in at least one of these areas. Leave message if phone is unattended. 940-989-2980, nights 940-989-2008. 17tfc

CNAs NEEDED. Contact D.O.N. Tori Hicks, Rice Springs Care Home. 940-864-2652. 20tfc

APPLICATIONS now being taken for Certified Nurses Aide training class. Call Tori Hicks at Rice Springs Care Home for details. 864-2652. 24tfc

NEW OTR drivers for "hot shots." Good pay! Call 940-864-5458 or 1-888-314-5014. 28-29p

PIZZA PRO Franchise needs mystery shopper for Haskell area. Pizza reimbursement only. Call 800-777-7554 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. 29-30p

HOME CARE ATTENDANTS Haskell, Rochester and O'Brien areas. Hamlin Hospital Home Health 915-576-3399. 29-30c

NURSES AIDES. Now taking applications for nurse aide training program. Please apply in person at Brazos Valley Care Home. 605 South Avenue F. Knox City, TX. 29-30c

JOB OPENING: Body shop is taking applications for trainee. Experience is not a requirement. Must be willing to learn auto body repair. Apply Hanson Paint & Body Shop, 207 S. 1st St., Haskell. 29-30c

Real Estate

1708 N. AVE. F. 4 bedroom, 2 living room, 2 bath. 2200 sq. ft. brick. Closets and storage galore. CH/A. storeroom. w/w. Appt. only 864-3669. 26-29p

FOR SALE: 2 bath, 2 bedroom, brick, corner lot, 706 N. Ave. G. Pecan, pear trees. Garage with storage, privacy fence, nice yard. CH/A. dishwasher. Nice home. 864-3785. 27tfc

PERFECT FOR 4-H family. Approximately 2+ acres, 3 bedroom, 3 bath, office, new cellar, good well, lots of trees, fenced, creek, pens, great for entertaining. Lots of extras. See to appreciate. Call for appointment. 940-864-3573. 28-31p

FOR SALE: Nice brick home. 1 acre. Approximately 1600 sq. ft. Large open living area, custom fireplace with insert, updated kitchen, new gas range, satillo tile, ceiling fans. 2 bedroom, 2 baths, walk-in closets, double garage, paneled and insulated. City water, well water, fenced yard, trees and outbuildings. \$47,500. Shown by appointment. 940-997-2519. 28-29p

FOR SALE: House, 2 acres, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 1 mile south on Hwy. 277. 940-864-3727 or 864-2982. 29-32p

Real Estate

BY OWNER: Brick, all metal trim, corner lot, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage, patio, 2 living/2 eating areas. Lots of closets, 2 storage attics, Central HVAC, many trees, water well. 607 S. 6th. 864-8511 or 864-8012. 25-30p

Public Notices

NOTICE: Haskell County Commissioner's Court will accept sealed bids until 10:00 a.m. on August 14, 2000 at the office of County Judge in the Haskell County Courthouse, Haskell, Texas to purchase a new elevator to be installed in the existing opening. Specifications available in the office of County Judge. Haskell County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. David C. Davis County Judge 29-30c

ACCEPTING SEALED BIDS: One-owner 1989 Lincoln Towncar "Signature Series," 4 door, less than 30,000 actual miles, 5.0 L. automatic overdrive, power everything, leather, immaculate condition. Must see. Minimum bid \$6500. Bids will be opened 8-1-2000. 940-864-3550. Mail bids to First Christian Church, 107 N. Ave. F, Haskell, Texas 79521. 28-30p

Public Notices

MILK BID SCHOOL YEAR 2000/2001 INVITATION TO BID: The Haskell Consolidated Independent School District is now accepting bids for milk for its food service programs. Bid Specifications are available at the District's Office located at 605 North Avenue E. P. O. Box 937, Haskell, Texas 79521 or by phoning 940-864-2602. To be considered, bids must be returned no later than 3:30 P.M. Thursday, July 20, 2000. 28-29c

ICE CREAM BID SCHOOL YEAR 2000/2001 INVITATION TO BID: The Haskell Consolidated Independent School District is now accepting bids for ice cream for its food service programs. Bid Specifications are available at the District's Office located at 605 North Avenue E. P. O. Box 937, Haskell, Texas 79521 or by phoning 940-864-2602. To be considered, bids must be returned no later than 3:30 P.M. Thursday, July 20, 2000. 28-29c

PUBLIC NOTICE GASOLINE BIDS 2000/01: The Haskell Consolidated Independent School District is accepting bids for gasoline and diesel for the 2000/01 school year. Bid may be on a per gallon or cost-plus basis. The bid must allow the district access to gasoline and diesel 24 hours/day. Address bids to Haskell CISD, P. O. Box 937, Haskell, Texas 79521 by 4:00 P.M. Thursday, July 20, 2000. If you have any questions please call Mr. Bland at 940-864-2602. The Haskell CISD reserves the right to reject any or all bids. 28-29c

This Week's Devotional Message:

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

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

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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**
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**
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**
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.
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WEINERT

- First Baptist Church**
Chris Powell, pastor
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- Weinert Foursquare Church**
Rev. Robert Harrison
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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**
Troy Culpepper, 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.
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- Faith Lutheran Church**
Stan Leaf, 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.
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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**
Vergil Smith, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Gladstone Ave., Rule
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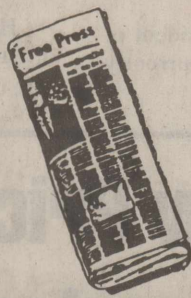
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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF HASKELL

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 39th Judicial District Court of Haskell County, on the 29th day of June, 2000, by the Clerk thereof, in the case(s) styled as follows:

Cause No. 9,720. Styling: Haskell County Appraisal District v. Gregoria N. Rocha. Legal description: 1. Lot 3, block 60, Original Town of O'Brien, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause 9,898. Styling: Haskell County Appraisal District v. M. T. Coleman. Legal description: 2. Lot 1, Block 1, Harrell Addition to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas. 3. Lot 11, Block 15, Frisco Addition to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause 10,075. Styling: Haskell County Appraisal District v. Joe Gutierrez. Legal description: 4. Lots 2-6, Block 80, Carney Addition to the City of O'Brien, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause 10,404. Styling: Haskell County Appraisal District v. Katherine Johnson. Unknown. Legal description: 5. Lot 13, Block 21, Original Town of Rochester, Haskell County, Texas. 6. West 100' of Lots 7-12, Block 10, Original Town of Rochester, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause 10,409. Styling: Haskell County Appraisal District v. Fidencio Escobedo. Legal description: 7. Lot 11, 12, Outlot Block 19, Brown & Roberts Addition to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas. 8. Lot 1, Outlot Block 19, Brown & Roberts Addition to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause 10,439. Styling: Haskell County Appraisal District v. Eugene Long. Legal description: 9. Lot 8, East 2' of Lot 7, Block 16, Highland Addition to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause 10,563. Styling: Haskell County Appraisal District v. Stallard Wayne Bradford Ind/dba. Legal description: 10. North 5' of Lot 6, 7, Block 25, Original Town of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas. 11. Lot 9, Block A, Shook Addition to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas. 12. Lot 9, South Half of Lot 10, Block B, Shook Addition to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause 10,584. Styling: Haskell County Appraisal District v. Brent Wallace. Legal description: 13. Lot 2, Block N, Courtwright & Smith Addition to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause 10,625. Styling: Haskell County Appraisal District v. Johnny Fuentes. Legal description:

14. Lot 11, Block 8, Highland Addition to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause 10,786. Styling: Haskell County Appraisal District v. Dora Diaz Gonzales. Legal description: 15. Lot 4, Block A, Stephens Addition to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause 10,787. Styling: Haskell County Appraisal District v. Douglas Dewayne Moore. Legal description: 16. S10' of Lot 7, 8, Block A, Martin Addition to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.

and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the 1st day of August, 2000, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the South door of the Courthouse of Haskell County, in the City of Haskell, Texas.

Levied on the 29th day of June, 2000, as the property of said defendants, to satisfy the judgment rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest, at 10 percent per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of each jurisdiction.

Given under my hand this 29th day of June, 2000.

Johnny L. Mills
Sheriff, Haskell County, Texas
27-29c

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE CITY OF HASKELL, TEXAS CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION

Notice is hereby given that it is the intention of the City Council, the City of Haskell, Texas to issue in one or more series Certificates of Obligation in the maximum principal amount not to exceed \$22,000,000 for paying, in whole or in part, contractual obligations to be incurred for the construction and equipping of jail facilities including land to be owned by Haskell County, Texas or an instrumentality thereof and jointly used by the City of Haskell and the County of Haskell, and for paying legal, fis-

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Ann Young
City Secretary

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE HASKELL COUNTY, TEXAS CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION

Notice is hereby given that it is the intention of the Commissioners Court of Haskell County, Texas to issue in one or more series Certificates of Obligation in the maximum principal amount not to exceed \$22,000,000 for paying, in whole or in part, contractual obligations to be incurred for the construction and equipping of county jail facilities including land, and for paying legal, fiscal and professional fees in connection therewith. The County proposes to provide for the payment of such Certificate of Obligation from the levy and collection of ad valorem taxes in the County as provided by law and a pledge of revenues derived from the operations of such jail facility. At 10:00 a.m. on August 14, 2000, during their regularly scheduled meeting at the regular meeting place at the County Courthouse, Haskell, Texas, the Commissioners Court intends to consider for passage an Order authorizing the issuance of such Certificates of Obligation.

Rhonda Moeller
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It is with deep gratitude from the heart and soul that we want to thank all our friends, relatives and co-workers for their support during our time of sorrow over the loss of our loved one, Kevin Glenn Martin. Death is a hard situation to face, and sometimes harder than normal, but when the visits, the cards, the flowers and plants, and the foods start flooding in, that's what eases the pain and makes the next day look brighter. We thank God for His mercy and His grace and we thank each and everyone whom had a part in sharing blessings with the family.
Stan, Betty, Joey and Ruby Martin

God bless Sam's Club. First Assembly of God, Haskell, youth group would like to let Sam's Club know how much we appreciate what they have done for us the last two summers. We have a very small church and when it comes time to go to camp we have to try to figure out a way to get our youth to camp. Not being located in Abilene, we thought it would be a long shot for anyone in that city to lend a helping hand, since we are nobody. Nevertheless Sam's Club was willing to reach their hand out to our community with funds to send our youth to camp. You'll never know the impact you have made on our lives. Sometimes you have to step out in faith and believe God will provide, but you have not because you ask not. We pray prosperity over Sam's Clubs.
Thank you,
Haskell Assembly youth group

Our sincere appreciation and Thank You for the prayers, cards, visits, food and flowers during Ernest Peiser's illness and after he departed from this earth to be with his Lord. Your sympathy and support were a comfort and a source of strength in our time of sorrow.
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and saw you pass away,
and though we love you dearly,
we could not make you stay.
A golden heart stopped beating,
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The Ernest Peiser Family

The family of Robert L. Dumas wishes to say a heartfelt thank you to all the friends and families that have been so generous with your time and talents to help us during these last years. What you thought was just incidental meant so much to us. We especially want to thank Doctors Bill McSmith and staff and Wayne Cadenhead these last several months; Outreach Healthcare Services for their care and help, and Haskell Hospital staff for the wonderful care you gave—thank you.
The visits, cards, calls, flowers and donations in Robert's name were all so very appreciated. The food that was prepared and brought to our home was very delicious and we thank you!
Lunch served at the church couldn't have been nicer. Thank you hostesses and ladies!
And finally, to our church, First Baptist, for all your prayers, cards and especially thank you to Brothers Troy Culpepper and J. C. Amburn for your comforting words; Phylecia Bailey for music and Carolyn Everett and Delight Jones for the lovely old songs he loved.
Thank you Marc, Melissa, Nedra and staff for your wonderful service.
We wish God's special blessings on all of you.
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Chan Guess adds new professional services to local agency

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"When my wife and I purchased the insurance business about three years ago, we hoped we would be able to add new services," Guess said.

His new credentials include two licenses: a Series 7 license to sell stocks, bonds, options, variable life and annuities and a Series 66 license which enables him to work as a financial consultant.

Guess can buy or sell stocks on any exchange and access over 100 mutual fund companies and all families within those companies.

"We have prided ourselves on being a full-service, one stop

insurance agency and now I am pleased to offer the financial services. The securities and insurance are separate businesses, but both are housed in the same office space at Haskell County Insurance Agency for the convenience of our customers," Guess explained.

The insurance agency has three full time licensed agents, Guess's wife Bridget who recently earned her insurance license, Guess with five years experience and Bonita Tatum who has over 18 years of experience.

The agency consistently has been one of the top five producers in the region for Allstate.

Guess will handle the financial business and continue as an insurance agent and real estate salesman.

He is listed in Who's Who in Executives and Professionals and holds two degrees from Texas Tech University. He graduated cum laude

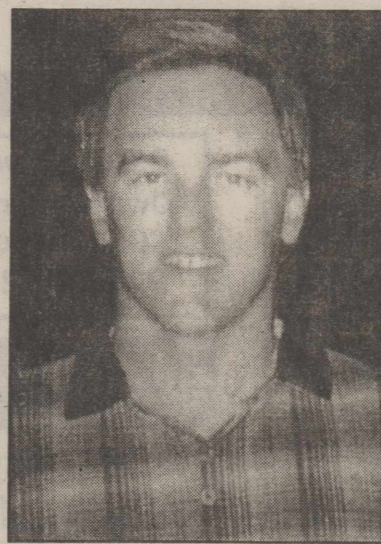
in 1993 with a bachelor's degree in business administration in finance, and in 1995, he earned a master's of business administration (MBA) degree.

Guess is chairman of the city zoning board and serves on the

Appraisal Review Board for Haskell County, the Chamber of Commerce board and Civic Center

board. He is a former president of the Kiwanis Club and currently serves as vice president.

He and his wife are active in the First Baptist Church and they have one daughter, Jacee, 2.



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Audrey Cochran, Sammy, Peggy, Michael and Britney Hawkins, Gary Hawkins, Jonathan, Aubree and Caden Tatum, all of Haskell. Also attending were the host and hostess, Phillip, Floradean and Jimmy Cockerrell, of Early.

The forty-two tournament first place winners were Darlene Conn and Cathy Hawkins. They won wooden bird feeders. Hummingbird feeders went to Yvonne Hufhines and Julie Cochran as runners up.

The auction was held with Johnny Hawkins and Jeff Crow as auctioneers.

The handmade quilt made by Joyce was won by Phillip Cockerrell.

Everyone reported having a good time with lots of food and visiting, some fishing, swimming, volleyball, horse shoes and all looking forward to next year.

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*Written By
Gerald Rodgers, CPA*

GET READY FOR A RATE DROP ON CAPITAL GAINS

In 2001, a lower capital gains rate will be available to some taxpayers. For taxpayers in the 28% or higher tax brackets, the rate on certain capital gains will drop from the current 20% to 18%. And for those in the 15% bracket, the rate will drop from the current 10% to 8%. Taxpayers who plan properly will benefit most from this change.

The Rules. Generally, the new rates will apply to capital assets held more than five years. However, if the individual's regular tax bracket is higher than 15%, the five-year period applies only to assets acquired after December 31, 2000. Taxpayers in the 15% bracket can use the 8% rate on assets held more than five years and sold after December 31, 2000. The asset need not be acquired after 2000.

There is a special election that allows higher bracket taxpayers to treat an asset acquired before January 1, 2001, as if it were acquired on January 1, 2001. Individuals making this election must treat the asset as if it were sold on January 1, 2001 (or the next business day), and pay any income tax due on this "sale." The new 18% rate could then be used when the asset is actually sold later.

The Opportunities. If your regular bracket is higher than 15%, consider making the special election if you have capital losses and plan on holding the asset long-term. The election allows you to recognize gain from the effective "sale" of the asset, which could then be offset by your capital losses.

Gift-giving offers another tax-saving opportunity. Generally, when a gift is made, both the holding period and the basis in the asset stay with the asset. For example, if your child is in the 15% bracket and you give him stock that you have held for more than five years, he will pay the 8% capital gains rate when he sells the stock. If you sold the stock, your tax on the gain could be as high as 20%.

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BONELESS BEEF BRISKET \$1.00 LB.	EXTRA LEAN, BONELESS BEEF COUNTRY STYLE RIBS \$1.50 LB.	BOSTON BUTT PORK ROAST \$1.00 LB.	PORK LOIN END CUT CHOPS \$1.00 LB.
EXTRA LEAN GROUND CHUCK \$1.50 LB.	LEAN, BONELESS BEEF ARM SWISS STEAK \$1.50 LB.	WRIGHT'S BULK SMOKED BACON \$1.00 LB.	MARKET GROUND ALL PORK SAUSAGE \$1.00 LB.

CHICKEN		VARIETY MEATS	
FRYER DRUMSTICKS 50¢ LB.	FRYER THIGHS 50¢ LB.	SPLIT PORK FEET 50¢ LB.	PORK NECKBONES 50¢ LB.
SEASONED FOR THE GRILL FRYER LEG QUARTERS 50¢ LB.	SPLIT FRYER BREAST \$1.00 LB.	BEEF CUBED TRIPE \$1.00 LB.	SLICED BEEF LIVER \$1.00 LB.
BONELESS SKINLESS FRYER BREAST \$2.00 LB.	SEASONED FOR THE GRILL FRYERS SPLIT \$1.00 LB.	HOT LINK SMOKED SAUSAGE \$1.00 LB.	BEEF SPARERIBS \$1.00 LB.

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