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Football games

- Haskell 7th, 8th, JV vs. Munday
Thurs., Sept. 7, 4 p.m.
at Haskell
- Haskell Indians vs. Munday
Fri., Sept. 8, 8 p.m.
at Munday
- Paint Creek vs. Vernon-Northside
Fri., Sept. 8, 7:30 p.m.
at Paint Creek
- Rule JV vs. Newcastle
Thurs., Sept. 7, 6 p.m.
at Newcastle
- Rule Bobcats vs. Harrold
Fri., Sept. 8, 7:30 p.m.
at Harrold

Calendar

Lodge meeting

The Sons of Hermann Lodge meeting will be held Sun., Sept. 10 at the Haskell National Bank Community Room. The meeting begins at 3 p.m. The meal will be sandwiches, chips, dips and homemade ice cream.

Rule Booster Club

The Rule Booster Club will meet Mon., Sept. 11 at 7 p.m. in the school library. High school and junior high football players will be introduced.

Art Association

The Brazos West Art Assn. will meet Mon., Sept. 11 at 7 p.m. in the Haskell National Bank Community Room. Ruth Jackson, a renowned artist from Abilene, will do a portrait in pastels.

Pre game prayer

A pre game prayer will be held 10 minutes prior to the kickoff of the Haskell vs. Munday football game in the vacant lot just east of the main ticket booth adjacent to the field. All fans from Haskell and Munday are invited to attend.

Jamaica

St. George Catholic Church will hold Jamaica Sept. 16-17 at the church grounds. Sept. 16 Mexican food will be sold beginning at 11 a.m. A dance will be held from 8 p.m. to midnight. Queen candidates will be introduced at 8 p.m. Youth will perform folklore dances at 10 p.m. The celebration will continue Sept. 17 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Booths, bingo, games, and co-ed volleyball and horseshoe tournaments are planned. Folklore dances will be presented at 3:30 p.m. The queen will be crowned at 5 p.m. For information call Felix Rodriguez 940-864-5502.

Paint Creek Seniors

Paint Creek Senior Class of 2001 will offer cooked meals delivered with a card to someone who is sick or to someone who just needs a meal. Meals can be cooked or purchased frozen for later use. Meals to serve 2-3 are \$10; to serve 4-6 are \$22. Meal choices are chicken spaghetti, King Ranch casserole, beef enchilada casserole or lasagna. Rolls and dessert are included with every meal. Call Cara at 864-6158 for information. Proceeds benefit the senior class trip. Orders should be placed in advance.

Social Security

A representative from the Social Security Administration will be in Haskell at the old City Hall annex, 305 N. 1st, Thurs., Sept. 7 at 9:30 a.m.

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Vote Tuesday

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INDIANS AND LOBOS-With the help of his blockers, Haskell Indian #20, Adam Diaz, rushed for a total of 119 yards during the

Indians winning season opener game with the Cisco Lobos at Indian Field, Fri., Sept. 1.
Photo by Bill Blankenship

Haskell Indians down Cisco Lobos, 14-12 in season opener

Doing what they can do best—hit hard and hustle—the Haskell Indians persevered Friday night at Indian Field to defeat the Cisco Lobos 14-12 in the opening game for both teams. Sometimes, when playing the opening week of the season, teams are not as prepared as should be. Not so for the Indians.

Using a play they had worked on in pre-season practice for just such a special occasion, Haskell's Eddie Loyd passed to receiver Tyrone Billington for a two point conversion with 10:57 left in the 4th quarter.

Cisco opened the scoring for the

exciting evening of football by completing a 13 yard pass from quarterback Cody Foster to wide receiver, Kelly Foster. Using the same combination, the Lobos again crossed the pay dirt stripe during the second quarter at the 8:48 mark with a 20 yard pass. Both the extra point kick and the 2-point conversion run failed.

The Indians were doing some offensive damage themselves during the entire 2nd quarter, only to see some misfortune. Haskell got inside the 15 yard line four times, but could not get the pigskin across the goal line. With

adjustments made by the Indian coaching staff at half time, Haskell dominated the second half of the game.

The Indian defense unit started making Cisco go 3-and-out, and the Indian line started moving the line of scrimmage. The backfield for Haskell, Adam Diaz (119 yards rushing), Dustin Threet (55 yards rushing), Jeff Blanks (6 yards rushing and 3 of 4 in passing for 74 yards), started turning on the excitement. At the 3:42 mark in the 3rd quarter, Haskell's QB, senior Jeff Blanks, fired a 68 yard pass run to receiver Tyrone Billington for Haskell's first score of the new season. The try for point failed.

With the score at 6-12, Haskell again went to work and put together a nice drive capped off with a 5 yard run by Jeff Blanks for the TD, at 10:57 in the 4th quarter. It was at that point the play the Indians had practiced and worked on paid off for them. It ended, Haskell 14, Cisco 12.

Haskell will travel to Munday Fri., Sept. 8. Kick off time is 8:00 p.m. The 7th, 8th and JV teams will play Munday here on Thurs., Sept. 7, starting at 4:00 p.m., followed by the 8th and JV games.



TWIRLERS AND MAJORS-Performing at Haskell High School football games this year are drum majors, seated l-r, Jessica Rieger and Kristen Cypert. Twirlers, seated l-r, are, Paige Hagadone, Bergen Peiser, Katy McKnight, and standing, Kristy Christian.
Photo by Kis

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Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Bobby Hawkins of Lewisville visited his mom Joyce and other relatives over the weekend and did bird hunting.

John Conn of Austin visited his children Mr. and Mrs. David Conn and girls and Mr. and Mrs. Cody Cochran and daughter over the weekend.

Sat. afternoon Joyce's brother and wife Mr. and Mrs. Dolan Vaughn of Panhandle came by for a visit. Also Phillip and Floradean Cockerell of Early came and spent

the afternoon.

Leroy Steiman of Eastland and friend Don met Bobby Hawkins here and hunted with him.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Blair and Rev. Kenneth Blair spent Mon. of last week in Haltom City visiting Wade Blair and wife, sisters Joyce and Wilma.

Sat. morning Charles and Jean Blair visited Charles' sister Shirley Freeman of Peacock, who is in Abilene Regional with a broken hip.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Arvil McFadden over the weekend was his sister and husband Eunice and Jimmy Mills and their daughter Tresia of Arlington and they also visited his mother Eunice Mills.

Bernice Hilliard's son Ronald of Odessa spent the weekend with her.

Recently visiting with Rev. Paris and Fannie Mae Barton was his sister Violet Helms of Leavinton, Missouri and his brother and wife Rev. Lou and Patsy Barton of Parks Hills, Missouri and sister and husband Gin and Ralla Vaton of Falley, Alabama.

Faye Gray's daughter and son-in-law Judy and Chuck Hicks of Abilene came for her on Sun. and she stayed with them until Tues. They all went to Faye's son Lynn at Grapeland and spent the rest of the week. They attended the music fiesta and had a great time.

Bernice Hilliard attended the monthly Key City Square Dance in Tye Sat. night. Ed Heart was the caller.

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This message is brought to you by the progressive merchants and concerned citizens of Haskell County.

In the September 12th election for the Rolling Plains Detention Center, registered voters of the City of Haskell should vote in both the City of Haskell election and the Haskell County election; whereas those voters living outside the city will vote in the Haskell County election only. Voters will vote in their regular polling places for the City and the County elections. The City of Haskell election will have early voting and the election day will be September 12th at the City Hall. For the Haskell County election, voters vote early at the Haskell County Clerk's Office and at regular polling places on September 12th. Vote FOR on September 12th for the progress of Haskell County.

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Obituaries

Donald 'Wayne' Adkins

Funeral services for Donald 'Wayne' Adkins, of Haskell were held Sat., Sept. 2 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Haskell with Rev. Gary Bruns officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Adkins died Thurs., Aug. 31 at an Abilene hospital.

He married Verlean Klose Jan. 8, 1948 in Haskell. He was a farmer and had been a manager for the Haskell Cotton Gin. He was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, He was a member of the Odd Fellows and the local VFW having served in the U. S. Army in the Pacific during World War II.

Dr. Victor Lee Trammell

Funeral services for Dr. Victor Lee Trammell, 63, of Pampa were held Fri., Sept. 1 at Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with Dr. Randy White, pastor of First Baptist Church in Pampa, officiating. A service was also held Sat., Sept. 2 at First Baptist Church in Rule with Rev. Scott Hensley, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Rule Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Dr. Trammell died Wed., Aug. 30. Born Sept. 6, 1936 in Haskell Co., he worked for Standard Oil from 1957-1960. He attended the University of Texas at Austin and attended the Texas Western University of El Paso as a pre-med student. He attended medical school at Southwestern Medical School in Dallas graduating in 1965 where he was a member of the Phi Chi Fraternity. He served his residency at Baylor Hospital in

Survivors include his wife, Verlean Adkins, of the home; one son, Kelly Don Adkins and his wife, LaDonna, of Canyon; one daughter, Cindy Adkins Mayfield and husband, Gary, of Somerville; three sisters, Belle Merchant of Irving, Netti Head of Fort Worth, and Doris Slater of Haltom City; one brother, A. D. Adkins of Fort Worth; five grandchildren, Michael Jay and Stacy Wayne Mayfield, Casey Paige Adkins, Cole Zachary Adkins and Annie Brooke Adkins; three great grandchildren, Hunter Jervis, Michael Zachary and Jace Pearce Mayfield.

Pallbearers were Chris Moore, Corey Moore, Forrest Mayfield, Terry Joe Brueggeman, Glenn Brzozowski and W. O. Nanny.

PD. NOTICE

Dallas, specializing in pathology and was chief of staff and the pathologist for Highland General Hospital in Pampa before moving to Arlington to work for the HCA Arlington Community Hospital where he served as chief of staff. He retired from pathology in 1991. He was a member of the American Medical Association, Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society and Texas Society of Pathology, along with many other accomplishments.

Survivors include three daughters, Vicki Trammell of Pampa, LeAnn Trammell Tivis of Decatur and Jennifer Trammell of Berkeley, Calif.; two brothers, Kent Dunnam of Troy, Idaho and Kenny Young of Fort Worth; four grandchildren and one great great granddaughter.

Memorials may be made to a favorite charity.

PD. NOTICE

ECC Calendar and Menu

Mon., Sept. 11
Lunch-BBQ on bun, potato salad, onions, pinto beans, cookies, milk, tea or coffee

Wed., Sept. 13
11:00 a.m. Outreach Health Service blood pressure check
Lunch-Meat balls/mushroom

gravy, noodles, greens, tossed salad, pudding, cookies, bread, milk, tea or coffee

Fri., Sept. 15
Texas State Hearing
Lunch-Braised beef, broccoli casserole, carrot salad, fruited Jello, cornbread, 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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Comedy, New repeat vows

Jessica Diane Comedy and Joshua Wayne New were married Aug. 12 at East Side Baptist Church in Haskell with Paul Irby of Brownwood officiating.

Escorted down the aisle by her father, the bride was given in marriage by her parents, Don and Nene Comedy of Haskell. Parents of the groom are Mike and Teresa New of Haskell. Grandparents of the bride are Lyla Mary Isbell and Bill and Clydene Comedy, all of Haskell. Grandparents of the groom are Frank and Roberta Jenkins, Don and Lynda Flippin and Joe and Jennabeth Kimbrough, all of Haskell. Great grandparents of the groom are Bob and Crystella Raynes of Weinert and Irene New of Amarillo.

The bride wore a sleeveless white satin A-line gown by Michaelangelo. The dress featured a corded lace bib front bodice covered with pearls and the train had a beaded inset. She carried a bouquet of yellow and white daisies and her elbow length veil was held by a headband of pearls. The bride's dress was something new. Something old and blue was a garter made by her great grandmother, Thelma Mickler. It was also worn by her mother and sister at their weddings. Something borrowed was a pearl bracelet belonging to her sister and worn by her sister at her wedding.

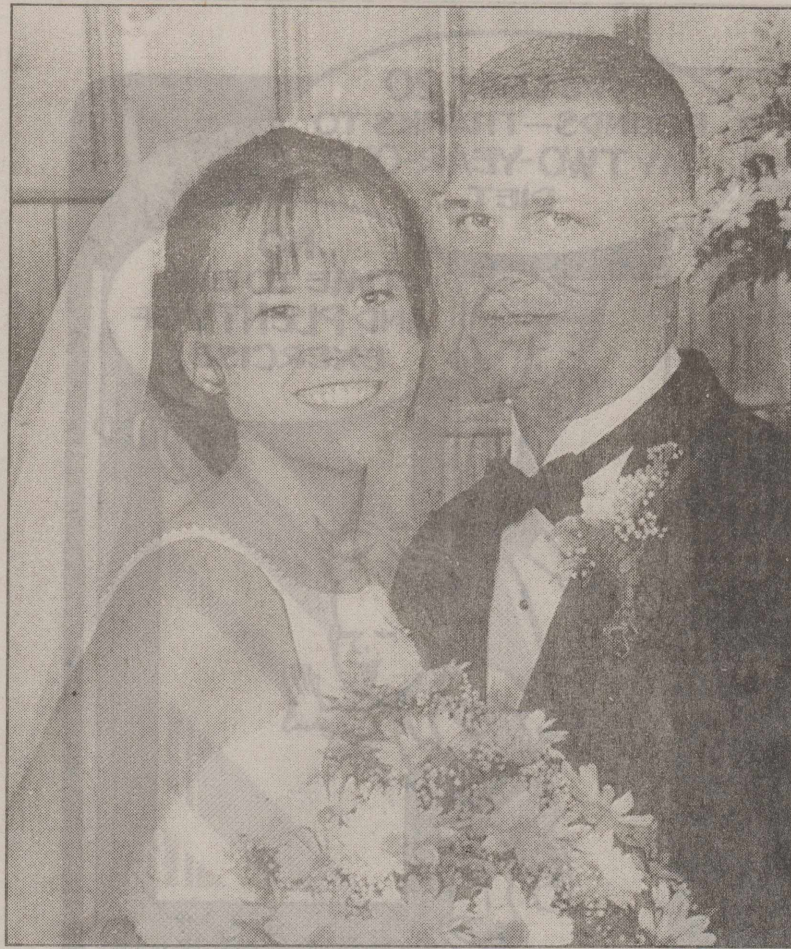
Matron of Honor was Jennifer Holmes of Amarillo, sister of the bride. She wore a long navy blue dress and carried a lighted candle bouquet. Bridesmaids were Missy Teague of Haskell, cousin of the groom, Jenny Fulbright of Gainesville and Abby Brooks of Arlington. Missy wore a navy dress identical to the matron of honor. Jenny and Abby wore yellow dresses identical to the matron of honor. They carried a lighted candle bouquet.

Flower girl was Chloe Howard of Tahoka. She wore a white tea length dress and carried a basket of yellow and white daisies.

The groom wore a black single breasted tuxedo with a black vest, white shirt and black tie. His boutonniere was yellow and white daisies. Best man was Robby Pheil of Brownwood. Groomsmen were Micah New and Aaron New of Haskell, brothers of the groom and Will Dutton of Denton, cousin of the bride. They wore black single breasted tuxedos with black cummerbunds, black ties and white shirts. Their boutonnieres were yellow daisies.

Ringbearer was Kyler Norman of Wichita Falls, cousin of the groom. He wore a tux identical to the groomsmen. The pillow with rings was carried at the wedding of the bride's parents. It was re-covered by Roberta Jenkins, grandmother of the groom.

Staten Holmes of Amarillo, brother-in-law of the bride, and Micah and Aaron New served as ushers.



MR. AND MRS. JOSH NEW

John Davidson and Casey Shock of Wichita Falls played praise music on their guitars before the wedding began. Nelda Lane of Haskell played the traditional wedding march. Marci Elmore of Haskell sang "Wind Beneath My Wings" during the seating of the parents and as the fathers lit the candles beside the unity candle. Bree Burgess, Tiffany Cadenhead and Kerre Cole, all of Haskell, sang "That's What Friends are For" during the procession of the attendants. "When I Look into Your Eyes" was played during the lighting of the unity candle.

Registering guests was Kristi Sandoval of Lawton, Okla., cousin of the bride. Kelli Moeller and Amanda Crawford, both of Haskell, were greeters.

The reception was held in the fellowship hall of the church. The bride's table was covered with a white cloth and set inside a gazebo trimmed with yellow and white daisies. Two globed post lamp and baskets of greenery sitting on white pedestals competed the decorations. The bride's cake was a tiered cake of five graduated sizes. Each tier was accented with fresh yellow and white daisies. One tier held a Precious Moments bride and groom and another tier held a Precious Moments bride and groom leaving in a car with "Just Married" on the back. Serving the bride's cake was Jessica Ashley of Wichita Falls and Amanda Selman of Vega.

Punch was served from a fountain topped with an arrangement of yellow and white daisies by Jennifer Nuding of Jayton, Nicky McCulloch,

Melanie Alvarez and Amy Burson, all of Haskell.

The groom's table was covered with a blue cloth. The chocolate cake was served by Kaki Stapleton and Anna Rieger of Haskell. Coffee was served by Vanessa Miller from a silver coffee service. A picture of the bride and groom and a Precious Moments Air Force man completed the table. The backdrop for the groom's table was an Air Force throw with an American Flag and an Air Force Flag on each side.

Ashton Irby of Brownwood and Payton Howard of Tahoka passed out birdseed as the couple left the church. Other members of the houseparty included Cathy Bartley, Marijane Cunningham, Sue McGee and Kay Smith.

A dance followed the reception at the Haskell Country Club. Music was by KMAC of Wichita Falls. Jennabeth Kimbrough and Melynn Hunt served guests during the dance.

The rehearsal dinner was an old-fashioned home-cooked meal provided by the groom's family at the youth building of East Side Baptist Church.

Prior to the wedding, friends of Josh and J.J. hosted a bridal shower at First United Methodist Church. Jennifer Holmes hosted a lingerie shower and bachelorette party at the Embassy Suites in Abilene.

Josh is a 1998 graduate of Haskell High School. He is a member of the U.S. Air Force Security Services stationed in Minot, N.D.

J.J. is a 1999 graduate of Haskell High School. She is a junior nursing major and will attend Minot State University. The couple will make their home at Minot AFB, N.D.

Tabitha Coker receives Haskell County Gold Star Award

by Brandon Anderson and Lou Gilly

Haskell Co. Extension Agents Tabitha Coker, a Haskell High School senior, received the county's highest 4-H Club Award at the annual 4-H County Awards Program held Aug. 20.

Coker, daughter of Tammy Parham, is the recipient of this year's Haskell County Gold Star Award. This award is presented annually to deserving Haskell County 4-H'ers. To be considered for this honor, a 4-H'er must possess excellent leadership and citizenship abilities, must have outstanding academic credentials and must have responsibilities outside 4-H club work in their church, school and community activities.

In recognition of her award selection, Coker received \$50, a Gold Star Certificate and a plaque compliments of Federal Land Bank Association, First American Bank, First National Bank and Haskell National Bank, all of Haskell; Home State Bank, Rochester; and Rolling Plains Ag Credit Production of Texas, PCA in Stamford. Coker and her mom and stepdad will be guests at the District 3 4-H Gold Star Banquet to be held in Haskell Oct. 17.

Coker is an active member of the Haskell Senior 4-H Club and has been actively enrolled in 4-H for nine years. During that time she carried several main projects which included: Food & Nutrition, Clothing & Textiles, Photography, Home Design and Child Development. She has participated at the County and District levels for several years in Foods & Nutrition and the County, State and National levels for a couple of years in Photography and has also gone to District with her Home Design project and Record Book.

Coker mentions in her application that her family has been a great support through it all,



TABITHA COKER GOLD STAR AWARD

her mom is always willing to give helpful advice and worlds of encouragement. She is serving as President for the Haskell County 4-H Council and has been a delegate representing Haskell County on the District 4-H

Council the past two years. She has attended the Teen Leader Lab for the past three years and is a great role model for others to follow. She plans to attend college next year and is considering becoming a school counselor.

Altrusa plans antique show and sale

The Abilene chapter of Altrusa International, Inc., will hold the Altrusa 31st Annual Antique Show and Sale, Sept. 15-17 at the Abilene Civic Center. Open from 11:00 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and noon to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, lunches and desserts will be served daily.

Glass grinding will be available during the show.

Tickets for the show and sale are \$2.00 in advance, \$3.00 at the door. They are available at the Abilene Civic Center, The Antique Gallery, Elmwood Antique Center, Yesterday's Antique Mall or from any Altrusa member.

Proceeds from the event will help fund the organization's service projects for the coming year. Those benefitting this year include

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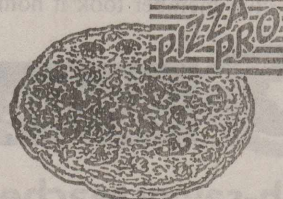
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OPINION

State Capital



HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — Texas Department of Economic Development's "Smart Jobs" program trained one-third as many workers and created one-third as many jobs as promised between 1995 and 1998, the state auditor said in a report released last week.

Awarding and distributing funds became the main focus of the program created in 1994, so training and job creation objectives were not achieved.

"As a result, participants did not receive the type and quantity of training needed to prepare them for new or better jobs and to provide Texas employers with a more highly skilled workforce," the report said.

The state awarded \$55 million in Smart Job money to companies in 1998-99. The Legislature cut off funding for the program in January, after an earlier state audit showed low performance.

State to Appeal Medicaid Ruling

Medicaid officials have not sufficiently improved access to medical, dental and other services under a 1996 agreement affecting more than 1 million needy children, U.S. District Judge William Wayne Justice of Austin ruled Aug. 14.

Justice ordered the state to live up to the agreement and submit a plan to correct any deficiencies by mid-October.

But the Texas attorney general's office said the state would appeal the ruling.

"We believe that neither the law nor the facts support Judge Justice's decision," said Andrea Horton, a spokeswoman for Attorney General John Cornyn.

SAT Scores Hover in 2000

Texas students performed about the same on the Scholastic Aptitude Test this year as last year.

According to results released by The College Board, Texas students who took the verbal skills portion of the SAT in 2000 averaged 493 and 500 in the math portion.

Last year, Texas test-takers averaged 494 in verbal and 499 in math.

Nationally, scores averaged 505 in verbal and 514 in math in 2000.

Texas Education Commissioner Jim Nelson said he suspects the rapid rise in the number of students taking the test accounts for the scores remaining about the same.

Non-Emergency Number Debuts

The Texas Department of Public Safety and six wireless carriers have created *DPS, a statewide wireless phone number for Texans to use when reporting non-life-threatening situations on Texas roads and highways.

Customers of ALLTEL, Nextel, Southwestern Bell Wireless, GTE Wireless, Houston Cellular and Verizon Wireless can dial (star)DPS free of airtime charges anywhere in Texas and receive roadside assistance for non-emergencies.

Examples of when a motorist should dial *DPS include:

- Stranded with engine trouble;
- Hazardous road conditions; or
- Suspicious activity at a rest area.

The non-emergency number is not meant to replace 911 as an emergency number, the DPS said.

AGs Settle with Time Inc.

Texas Attorney General John Cornyn, along with the attorneys general of 47 other states and the District of Columbia, entered into an \$8.25 million settlement with Time Inc., one of the largest sweepstakes mailers.

The settlement requires restitution to consumers and changes in sweepstakes advertising.

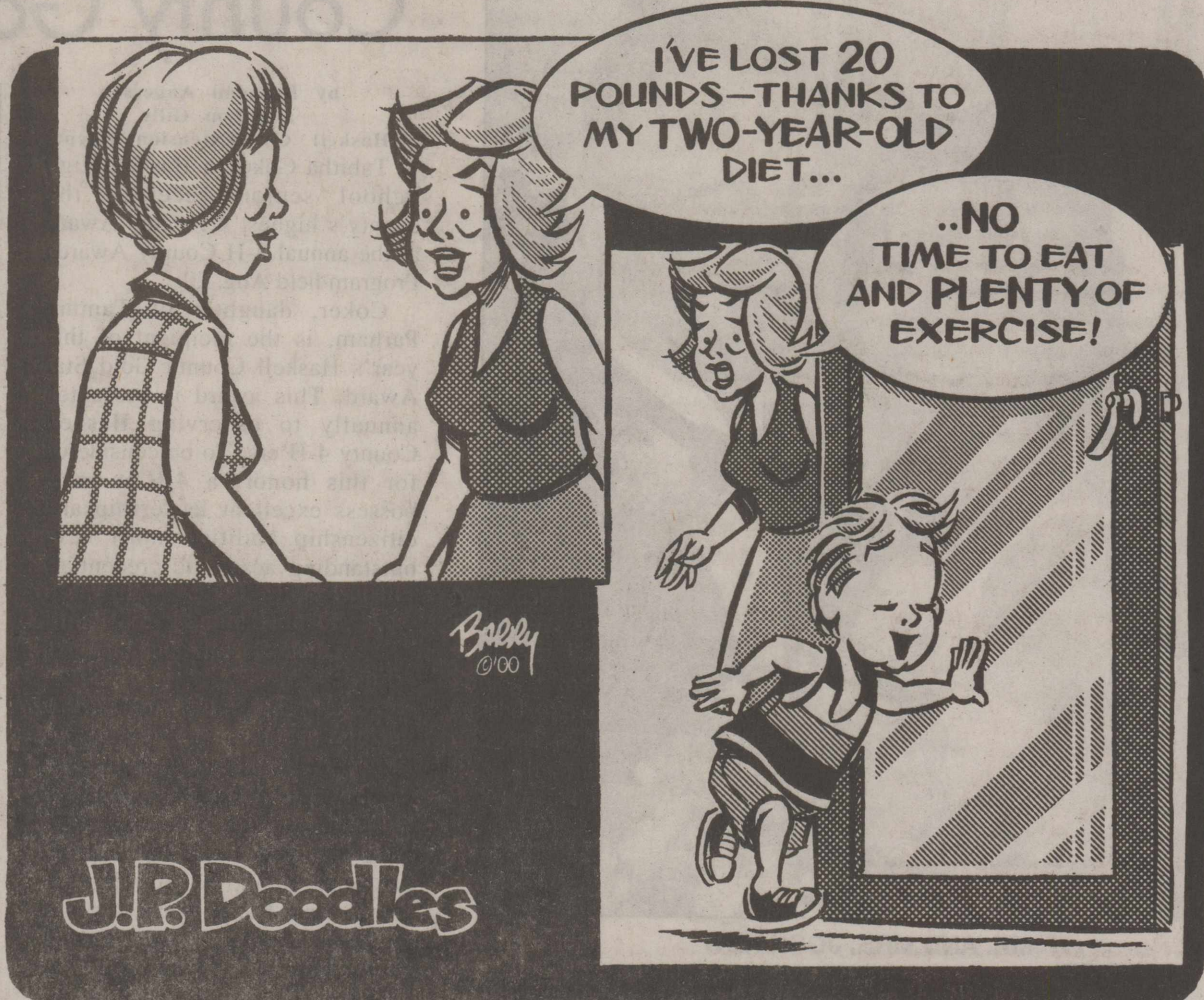
The settlement also requires that all Time sweepstakes mailings provide a clear and conspicuous "Sweepstakes Facts" disclosure to consumers.

The Sweepstakes Facts will include statements including:

- Buying will not help the consumer win the sweepstakes;
- The consumer has not yet won; and
- The odds of winning a prize.

Other Highlights

- Texas now has the highest prison population of any state. At the end of last year, Texas had 163,190 prisoners, edging ahead of California, which had 163,067. In general population, however, California's 32 million dwarfs Texas' 20 million.
- About 120 earthquakes (some recently in the Texas Panhandle) have rattled Texas since the 1840s, but typical residential property insurance in Texas does not cover earthquake damage. The Texas Department of Insurance suggests that those interested in obtaining earthquake coverage contact a local insurance agent who can help get them in touch with a "surplus lines" broker.



From The Inside Out

By Mary Kaigler

In the preface to her recently compiled history of the Haskell County Library, historian Ernestine Herren states that the United States leads the world in the belief that books should be accessible to all people; old, young, rich or poor, and that many of the world's libraries are patterned after U.S. libraries.

In a bit of general history of libraries, she says that even in ancient times there were libraries, but only for the privileged few. The libraries were inscribed on clay tablets, animal hides, and later on papyrus. The first libraries were started in Asia and spread to Greece, Rome, and on to America. Benjamin Franklin started the first library in the United States.

In her words, the following is Herren's account of the history of:

Haskell County Library

In December of 1902, a group of ladies wanted to bring culture to west Texas prairies. They organized the Magazine Club to promote educational development and social intercourse. They were Mesdames F. R. Leonard, W. E. Sherrill, Bert Brockman, H. R. Jones, Marshall Pierson, S. W. Scott, and J. W. Meadows. Also Misses Ellen Isabell, Maud Isabell, Lillie Rike, Fannie Hudson, Ada Fitzgerald and Alpha Rogers.

On Mar. 15, 1916, county records show that the Magazine Club purchased the house and lot on which the County Library is now located, for the price of \$3,360.00. Mrs. J. W. Fields and J. F. Jones signed the deed. In the early years, Haskell County Library was probably the only one between Abilene and Wichita Falls.

Each year the club bought uplifting and cultural books for the use of the club. Some books were donated, but some of them were not suitable. The club minutes of May 13, 1927, show that Mrs. J. E. Sherrill moved that Elmer Gantry was unsuitable and should be removed from the library, so another club member took it home

with her. The club minutes are not complete, but by this time the books were being loaned. Each month a report was given on the number of books checked out and the amount of fines paid. In the summer of 1926, 295 books were checked out. In 1925 the building was designated as a library.

There is no record of when Ethel Irby was hired as librarian, and no one knows how much she was paid or by whom. But, in 1927 she is mentioned as keeping the library open five afternoons per week. She was very careful to see that the younger generation read only good books. When Carolyn Williams Pippen was a teenager and wanted to check out *Kitty Foyle*, Mrs. Irby said it was not suitable for teenagers to read and that Carolyn should not read about a woman who had walked down the "Primrose Path."

In 1949 Mrs. J. U. Fields was elected president of the Magazine Club for the following year. Her project was to move all the books out and redo and redecorate the clubhouse. The books were moved to an unfinished small building north of the high school, that had been used for canning fruits and vegetables during the Depression. Mrs. Ada Rike moved to give the books to the city, and the motion carried. Mrs. Claiborne Payne was opposed to moving the books or giving them to the city.

At some time the books were moved to a room on the second floor of the courthouse. Mrs. Elsie McGee was hired as librarian in 1955. Mrs. McGee was also careful about seeing that children and teenagers read only good books, and she would not have any books that contained nudity. If a book did have nude pictures, she hid it in the back of a shelf in the closet, placing suitable books in front of it.

The library was moved to the agricultural building which housed the County Agent and Home

Demonstration Agent. At a later time it was moved to its present location. In 1974, the Magazine Club disbanded and wished to give the lot and building to the county. The County Judge was B. O. Roberson. Commissioners were C. A. Thomas (who resigned) and Q. D. Byrd (who took his place), Slover Bledsoe, J. R. Perry and E. C. Collins. These men said, "no", because it would cost too much. But, good nature and good sense prevailed, and on Mar. 1, 1974, the county accepted the library. It has been a big asset to our county.

When Mrs. McGee retired in 1988 after 32 years of faithful service, Joan Frazier Strickland became librarian. She attends all library workshops and keeps the library up to date.

The library is a member of the Big Country System, which provides large print books, audio tapes, extension books and technical support. Joan Strickland keeps state records of the number of books checked out and the number of patrons who come each day. The state provides a book value of \$1200 allowance, and the county gives \$1700, all to be used for new books.

In 1999, 16,186 books were checked out; 6,839 patrons came in; 171 inter-library books were ordered from Abilene for patrons; 792 reference books were used; 1,008 reference questions were answered by library staff.

The circulation increases each year. The library serves all of Haskell County and folks from Knox, Stonewall, Jones and Throckmorton Counties. Many people interested in genealogy come to the library seeking information. In addition to books, the library has cemetery records of all Haskell County from 1884-1992. Willow Cemetery in Haskell is recorded to the present time. Memories of county schools in Haskell County, obituaries, histories of Rule, Rochester, Paint Creek Community, Weinert, O'Brien, and family histories are recorded there. Histories of Haskell, Collin, Baylor and Wise Counties are there, as well as some school annuals and church histories. Our library is a busy place, and someone is always there.

Herren says the information for this history came from Magazine Club minutes, county records and a few old timers who are still living and having happy memories of when the Magazine Club used the building for art shows, teas, receptions and cultural events. "The Magazine Club is really the mother of the Haskell County Library," Herren says. "And this just goes to show what a band of ladies can do when they make up their mind."

Keeping an Eye on Texas

Tech-savvy teachers fill Texas classrooms

Texas teachers are computer savvy according to a 1999 *Education Week* survey. In fact, 60 percent of Texas teachers have an intermediate or higher level of technology expertise. In addition, 91 percent of Texas classrooms are linked to the Internet.

Computer skills of Texas teachers in 1999:

- 6% no computer experience
- 34% beginner
- 52% intermediate
- 7% advanced
- 1% instructor

SOURCES: Carole Keeton Rylander, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts (www.window.state.tx.us) and *Education Week*.

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From Out of the Past

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10 Years Ago

September 6, 1990
Haskell Junior High cheerleaders this year are Micca Jordan, Heather Hobgood, Rebecca Unger, Mandi Pope, Nacole Lefevre and Lisa Rodrigue.

Vicky Anderson of Rule received a trophy at the sixth annual World of Poetry Convention held in Las Vegas. The trophy identifies Anderson as a "Golden Poet."

The 1990 Haskell County Fair was dedicated to Duane Gilly and Max Stapleton. Gilly and Stapleton are being recognized for working more than 20 years each in promoting wholesome activities for youth and adults of Haskell County.

20 Years Ago

September 4, 1980
The 1980 Haskell County Fair catalogue was dedicated to Dr. T. W. Williams. The first copy of the catalogue was presented to Dr. Williams by president of the Fair Association Billy Jack Ray and secretary Charlene Therwhanger.

Thirteen new teachers in the Haskell Schools were introduced at a special reception.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Klose of Haskell are this month's recipients of a special anniversary dinner by the Haskell Dairy Queen.

David Lee Bradshaw of Haskell and Mary Yates Murphy of Weinert were among the 82 students receiving degrees during Hardin-Simmons University's summer commencement exercises. Bradshaw received the Bachelor of Arts degree and Murphy received the Master of Education degree.

30 Years Ago

September 3, 1970
James Mickler, coordinator of the new State Plan for Special Education from eleven school districts in Haskell and Knox Counties, spoke to members of the Lions Club at the noon luncheon meeting held at Felker's Restaurant.

Mrs. Stapleton's eighth grade Spanish Class of Haskell Junior High School held their first meeting and elected the following officers: Jim Pippin, president; Christi Opitz, secretary-treasurer; Art Williams, parliamentarian and Gena Lancaster, reporter.

Linda Burson, a 1965 graduate of Haskell High School, and the wife of Tim Burson, is the recipient of the "Outstanding Young Homemaker Award."

40 Years Ago

September 8, 1960
Albert Roberts, Jodie Kennedy, Roy Scheets, Mike Overton, Ervin Frierson, Mike Holston, Dewayne Moore and Gerald Miller attended the Southwestern Model Airplane Championships in Dallas.

Lt. Col. R. C. Couch Jr. gave an interesting and timely talk at the noon-day luncheon meeting of the Lion Club concerning his military experience at Ft. Monroe, Virginia.

Covell Adkins of Haskell has been employed by the Texas Employment Commission to assist in labor placement in the Haskell area during the cotton harvesting season.

50 Years Ago

September 7, 1950
President of the Haskell Senior class is Billie Hall; Leroy Tidwell, vice president; Wanda Cook, secretary; Temple Williams, treasurer; and Geneva Wheeler, reporter.

Opal Dunnam, Haskell's all-star softball player, will be playing with the Miller & Miller girls' softball team of Wichita Falls in the National Girls Softball Tournament to be held in Phoenix, Ariz.

Rose Ann Johnson and Sue Busby were honored with a Coke party in the home of Ruby Lou Hadaway last week. Johnson and Busby plan to attend North Texas State College. Both are 1950 graduates of Haskell High School.

90 Years Ago

September 3, 1910
Miss Slydell Wyche has returned from Austin where she attended the Summer Normal at the University.

Marshall Pierson, who has been spending the summer in Colorado, has returned home.

"Uncle Frank" has moved his bake shop to the Mart Lynch Building where he will continue his bakery business and will also run a restaurant.

Buying U. S. Savings Bonds provides guaranteed savings

by Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
If you think U. S. Savings Bonds are just a nostalgic piece of American history, then you may want to take another look.

For many people, U. S. Savings Bonds are plagued with low interest rates and they're difficult to track and figure out their worth. But not anymore, according to Lou Gilly, County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Haskell County.

Things have changed in recent years. The Treasury Department now offers a variety of interesting products and services that make these concerns obsolete. Savings bonds are an excellent savings tool for the small saver.

The I Bond and Series EE savings bond let you choose the way you want to regularly save. They ensure that your money will grow, remain safe and be ready for you to use, when you want it.

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"That simply means that you can increase your actual earnings," Gilly added.

I Bonds are sold at face value. That is, a \$50 Bond costs \$50. They earn a combination of two rates—a fixed rate and an inflation adjustment which guarantees that you earn over and above inflation. The rate for I Bonds bought between May 1 and October 31, 2000 is .49 percent.

Series EE savings bonds can be purchased at half of their face value. For example, you pay \$25 for a \$50 EE bond and they earn 90 percent of the average yield on five-year Treasury securities. As a result, you consistently earn securities market rates for a fraction of the initial deposit. That's an ideal situation for small investors. Series EE's bought from May 1 to October 31, 2000, pay 5.73 percent—which is higher than most savings accounts at financial institutions.

One of the greatest advantages

to buying U. S. Savings Bonds is that you don't need a pile of cash lying around to start getting these competitive interest rates. It would be difficult to find another form of saving that pays these rates for an initial payment as low as \$25. And, you pay no fees or service charges when you buy or redeem U. S. Savings Bonds.

Savings bonds are one of the safest investments a family can make because they are backed by the United States government. In addition, your savings bonds are registered, so the Treasury Department can replace them if they're lost, mutilated or stolen.

Savings bonds also make your money easily accessible. If you need your money unexpectedly, it's there for you. As with most forms of saving, you get a greater benefit the longer you let your savings bonds grow, but you can redeem them any time after six months from purchase. Of course, if you redeem them within five years, you pay a small penalty. So, it's best to hold them until their maturity.

You can buy savings bonds in many easy ways. The Payroll Savings Plan is the most popular because it is deducted from your regular pay check. Using the Payroll Savings Plan lets you save money effortlessly on a regular basis where you work. And, for most of us, it's easier to save money if it comes directly out of paychecks because there's no temptation to spend it.

If you don't have access to payroll savings and you want a way to regularly buy savings bond, you can use the EasySaver Plan to automatically purchase savings bond with an allotment from your account at most banks, savings and loans or credit unions.

Over 40,000 financial institutions sell savings bonds and many of them also offer savings bonds through their online banking services.

Teens need to be cautioned about driving and drinking

by Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
Obtaining a license to drive is a major milestone for youth and a necessity for the majority of citizens. Young people must realize that one of the major responsibilities of having a driver's license is to be aware of the risk associated with drinking under the influence of drugs and alcohol.

Teaching by example is very effective and provides a model for young drivers. All citizens and institutions need to acknowledge that a license to drive is not a license to kill, injure, or destroy. When driving under the influence of drugs and alcohol, a driver is

saying that, under certain circumstances, it's okay to harm our families, friends and neighbors.

Everyone needs to take a stand against impaired driving, individually and collectively. Intervening to prevent others from drinking and driving should be common practice among party hosts and friends. Designated drivers and alternative transportation must be used when drinking is taking place. Through our schools, places of employment, houses of worship and community organizations, messages must be sent that drinking and driving is not socially

acceptable.

The challenge is for all citizens to take responsibility for preventing impaired driving in communities and to teach young people safe driving behavior. For more information contact the Texas Agricultural Extension Service passenger safety office at (409) 845-3850.

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This message is brought to you by the progressive merchants and concerned citizens of Haskell County.

Q: Where will the revenue come from for paying for the Rolling Plains Detention Center?

A: The payment for the debt service and other costs of running the detention center will be made from the revenue received from housing the prisoners. Each prisoner whether from federal, state, county or local sources will be charged a per-day fee for staying at the detention center. The entity that placed the prisoner there (that is, federal, state, county or local) will pay the per-day charge. Vote FOR in the September 12th City and County elections.

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Early diagnosis of colorectal cancer is important

by Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
In 1999, about 94,700 cases of colon cancer and about 34,700 cases of rectal cancer will be diagnosed in the United States. Together, these two types of cancer are known as colorectal cancer. Cancer can develop in any of the four sections of the colon or in the rectum. About 90% of colorectal cancers are diagnosed in people over the age of 50.

Researchers have identified several risk factors that increase a person's chance of developing colorectal cancer:

- A family history of colorectal cancer
- A personal history of colorectal cancer
- A personal history of intestinal polyps
- A personal history of chronic inflammatory bowel disease
- Aging
- Physical inactivity

Colorectal cancer can show several symptoms. People who have any of the following symptoms should check with their doctor, especially if they are over 40 years old or have a personal or family history of the disease:

- A change in bowel habits such as diarrhea, constipation, or narrowing of the stool that last for more than a few days
 - A feeling that you need to have a bowel movement that is not relieved by doing so
 - Rectal bleeding or blood in the stool
 - Cramping or steady abdominal (stomach area) pain
 - Decreased appetite
 - Weakness and fatigue
 - Jaundice (yellow-green discoloration of the skin and white part of the eyes)
- Contact your health care provider or your county Extension agent for more information on colorectal cancer and other types of cancer.

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Recognize eight warning signals of childhood cancer

by Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
Although a parent would never want to even think about the fact that his or her child may one day be diagnosed with cancer, it is a risk that must be acknowledged so that parents can take steps to minimize that risk. Although cancer primarily affects adults, childhood forms of the disease do occur.

Children's cancers often are difficult to recognize since the symptoms are similar to many childhood ailments. Persistence of any of these eight warning signals

warrants medical attention and may indicate a serious health problem. These eight warning signals of possible childhood cancer are:

- Continued, unexplained weight loss
- Headaches with vomiting in the morning
- Increased swelling or persistent pain in bones or joints
- Lump or mass in abdomen, neck or elsewhere
- Development of a whitish appearance in the pupil of the eye
- Recurrent fevers not due to infections
- Excessive bruising or bleeding

•Noticeable paleness, or prolonged tiredness

If you are concerned about the possibility of cancer in your child, take with your family doctor or pediatrician. Usually a checkup by your child's doctor will relieve your worry and fear.

If you have questions about childhood cancer or other health issues, contact Lou Gilly, County Extension Agent-FCS, Lou Gilly at (940) 864-2546 or come by the Haskell County Extension Office located at 1010 South Ave. D in Haskell.

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Q: What kinds of prisoners will be housed in the Rolling Plains Detention Center? And is there a possibility that some can do city and county work?

A: Prisoners that will be housed in the Rolling Plains Detention Center will be medium to minimum security. There will be no maximum-security prisoners. If allowed, work crews from the detention center may be used to work in the County, including cleaning and maintenance of cemeteries, work at the Courthouse, at the Library, on the county roads, at ball fields and at the parks. Vote FOR in the September 12th City and County election.

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Vitamin D is essential for strong bones

Many older women attempt to prevent osteoporosis by taking calcium supplements. But they may be forgetting an important ingredient - vitamin D, which is necessary for the efficient absorption of calcium. Without it, bone mass diminishes and the risk of bone fracture increases.

"Vitamin D is present only in a few foods, such as fatty fish, cod liver oil and vitamin D-fortified milk. It also may be formed in the

skin with adequate ultraviolet light exposure, but many older people avoid excess sun exposure," says Dr. Howard Heller, assistant professor of internal medicine at UT Southwestern Medical Center. "In addition, as people age their production of vitamin D may decrease."

Heller recommends that adults get 1,000 milligrams of calcium and 600 to 800 international units

(IU) of vitamin D daily, with the dose of calcium increasing to 1,500 milligrams for those over age 65 and postmenopausal women not on hormone-replacement therapy. Most multiple vitamins contain about half the needed amount of vitamin D and calcium tablets contain about a fourth your daily need. Check with your physician if you think you are not getting enough vitamin D through your diet.

Don't let the bed bugs bite

We may joke about not letting the bedbugs bite, but bugs in bedding can make allergies and asthma worse.

Even if you keep a clean house, your home could be full of allergens that can trigger asthma. Researchers at the National Institutes of Health surveyed about 800 homes across the nation and found that nearly half had enough dust mite allergens in bedding to cause allergies. Nearly a quarter of

the homes had enough dust mite allergens to trigger asthma attacks in people allergic to dust mites. Researchers also found that many homes had allergens from cockroaches in bedding.

Doctors at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas say you can help protect your family from these bugs. First, seal mattresses and box springs in casings that keep dust mites out. Wash pillowcases and sheets in very hot

water at least once a week. The water has to be at least 130 degrees Fahrenheit to kill bedbugs. Other bedding should be washed monthly. It's best that carpet be removed from bedrooms where allergic people sleep. Otherwise, regular carpet cleaning and vacuuming may help. If you have a roach problem, seek help for pest control. Pet dander can be an allergy trigger, so if pets must stay indoors, they should be washed regularly.

Fast food meals can be healthy

by Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
We have become fast-paced people. Always on the run from one place to the next. On business travel or just away from home, it is a constant challenge to maintain a healthy weight when staring at a buffet table or picking up fast food

on-the-go.

Here are a few tips for maintaining a healthy weight when eating away from home:

- Choose restaurants where you sit to dine, rather than standing at a bar.
- Limit eating out to 3 meals per week, with only one of those being fast food.
- Sit away from buffet tables at parties. Avoid conversations around the buffet table. Look over the entire table before making choices at a buffet.

• Ask for small dessert servings and eat only half; or, avoid dessert altogether by telling your host or hostess you are too full from the delicious meal.

•Limit alcoholic beverage intake. Alcohol is very high in calories. Try to limit your intake by drinking only one alcoholic beverage - sipping it slowly.

Remember, just take one step at a time. Gradual changes result in the most success. When you've mastered one behavior change, try making another one a habit.



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Conjunctivitis is contagious

Conjunctivitis, or pink eye, is an inflammation of the thin, clear membrane that covers the white of the eye and inside surface of the eyelid.

Initial symptoms are discomfort, redness of the white of the eye and inflammation. It is often accompanied by increased tearing or discharge - which may be watery or thick and cause the eyelids to stick together. Infection might begin in one eye but usually

spreads to both.

According to Dr. Kathryn McCreery, an ophthalmologist at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston, pink eye is usually due to a viral infection. It can spread from person to person by direct contact, handling contaminated items or through air droplets.

Although pink eye can go away by itself, doctors encourage medical therapy as it might provide considerable symptomatic relief.

Ringworm is a skin rash

Ringworm has nothing to do with worms - but it does produce a ring-like rash on the skin and dandruff-like scales on the scalp.

The infection, caused by a fungus, is contagious. It is spread by direct contact or through sharing contaminated clothing, hair accessories and grooming items. Dogs and cats also can be infected with ringworm and they pass it on to humans. Children seem to be more susceptible than adults are.

"Check the scalp for white

flecks, bald spots or hair breakage," said Dr. James Nigro, a dermatologist at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston. "There also might be itching and a peculiar odor to the scalp. The glands in the back of the neck can be swollen and red ring-like marks might appear on other parts of the child's body."

Parents who suspect their child might have ringworm should contact a doctor for evaluation and treatment.

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Absolutely not. During this past year, we have added to the services available - like 24-hour-a-day, seven-day-a-week, toll-free access to our customer service center, 1-888-216-3523. We've added payment options, including the Internet. And, even though we're shifting around some of our resources, critical areas, such as responding to outages and other emergencies will continue to receive the same high priority they get today.

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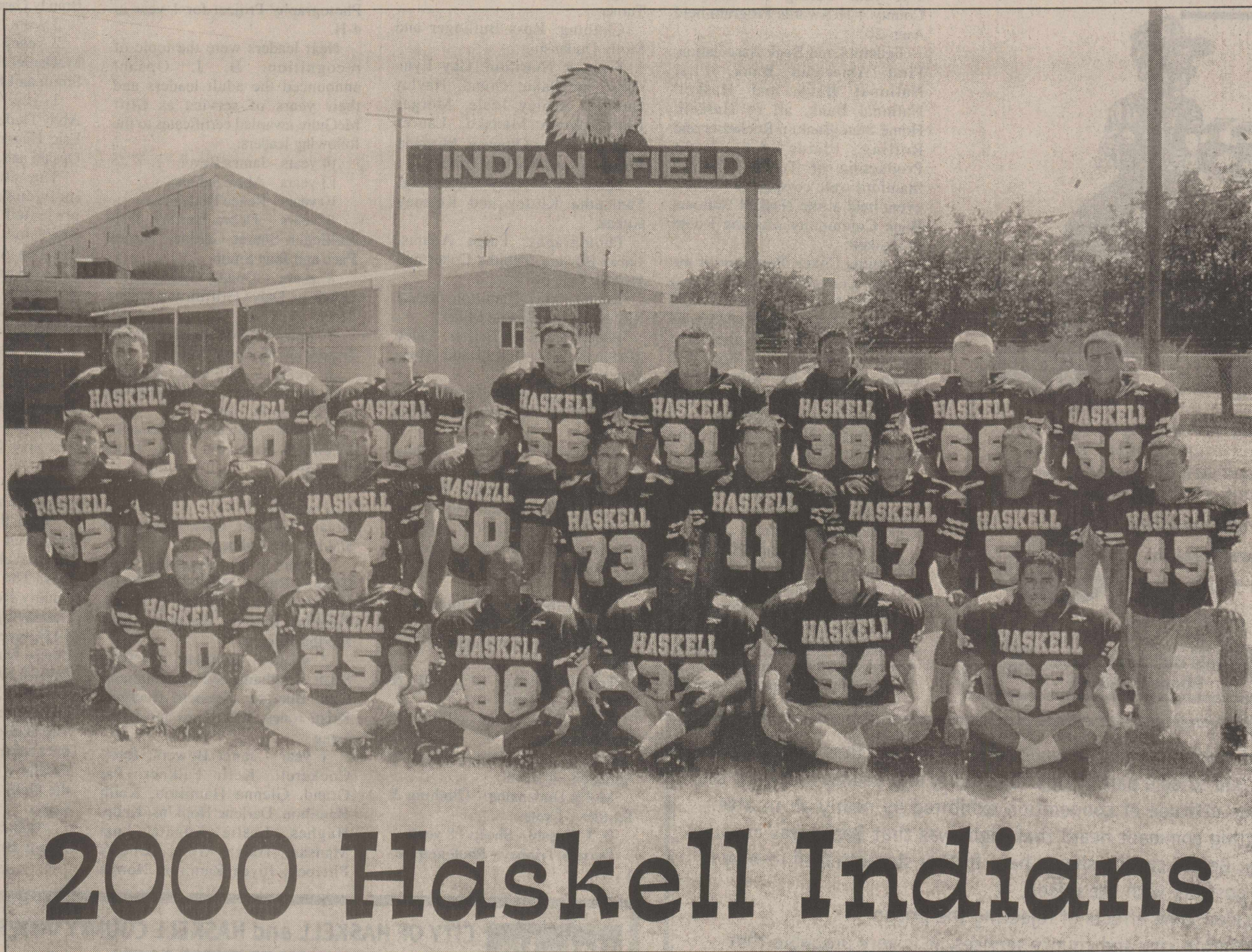
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Take it easy on the knees

While a step aerobic class can be a fun and challenging aerobic activity it's not for everyone, especially those with knee problems.

According to Dr. James Bocell, Jr., chief of sports medicine at Baylor College of Medicine, each step places four times a person's body weight behind the kneecap.

"Step aerobics is a good exercise program because it allows you to intensify the workout by adjusting the height of the step," Bocell said. "However, it can aggravate some existing knee conditions, especially

those involving the front of the knee."

The repetitive stepping motion can also cause tears in the cartilage or meniscus.

"People should always listen to joint pain because pain during exercise is not normal," Bocell said.

If your step class is making you weak in the knees, Bocell recommends an evaluation from a sports medicine specialist. Often times, a few minor adjustments will do the trick.

Balanced diet is key to weight loss

Most dieters will regain at least half the pounds they shed within two years. And once they return to watching their weight they look in all the wrong places for ways to lose weight.

Rather than watching how many calories they consume, dieters are looking at what they are eating, says Dr. Shalini Reddy, assistant professor of internal medicine at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas. Focusing on a type of food enhances the good food/bad

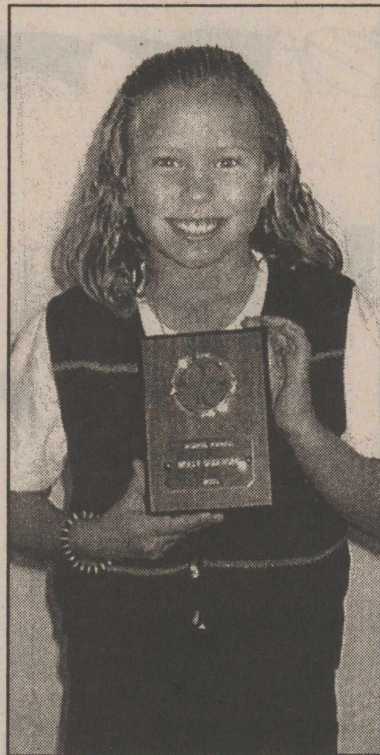
food myth and over-consumption of any food is unhealthy, she says.

Eliminating a large category of foods such as carbohydrates may result in nutritional deficiencies, says Reddy. It also reduces the availability, variability and palatability of food in general.

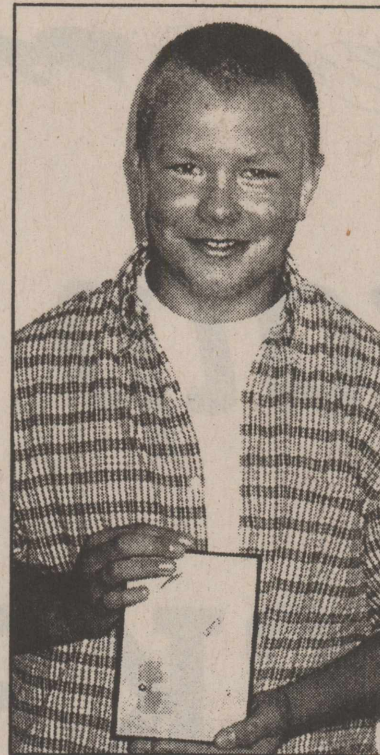
Reddy suggests a long-term approach to weight loss that includes a balanced diet, follow-up visits to doctors, behavioral therapy and regular exercise.



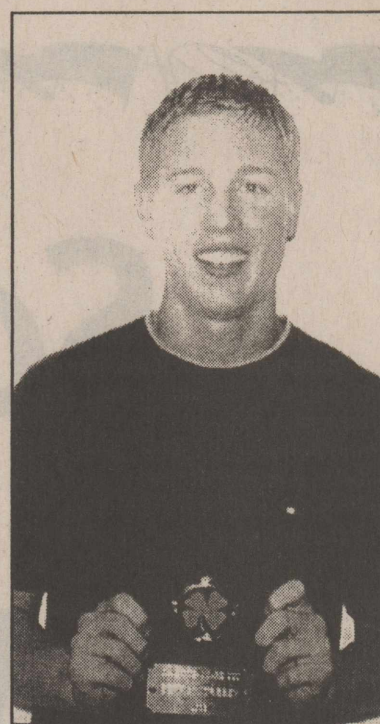
ROSS BULLINGER
SILVER STAR AWARD



MOLLY DUDENSING
ROOKIE OF THE YEAR



EMERY DUDENSING
CLOVER AWARD



DERRICK TRIBBEY
'I DARE YOU' AWARD

Haskell 4-H Clubs present annual awards

by Brandon Anderson and Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Extension Agents

Forty-two Haskell County 4-H'ers were recognized for their accomplishments in the 1999-2000 4-H year during the Haskell County 4-H Awards Program held Aug. 20.

Federal Land Bank Association, First American Bank, First National Bank and Haskell National Bank, all of Haskell; Home State Bank in Rochester and Rolling Plains Ag Credit Production of Texas, PCA of Stamford were co-sponsors for the event held at the Haskell National Bank Community Meeting Room in Haskell.

Tabitha Coker, President of the Haskell County 4-H Council and delegate to the District 3 4-H Council, served as Mistress of Ceremonies. Ross Bullinger gave the invocation. The 4-H Motto and Pledge was led by Whitney Hise and Jennifer Smith. Bullinger recognized the special guests.

The entertainment was given by Hise and Smith. This duo gave a program on the Bobwhite Brigade, which is a wildlife camp that they attended this summer at the Krokod River Ranch.

Abby Dudensing and Tara Lisle announced the names of the 42 4-H'ers receiving project awards pins. Area 4-H Club Managers Debbie Brister, Susan Cockerell and Renee Dudensing awarded these 4-H'ers with their awards:

Agricultural: Emery Dudensing

Beef: Brittany Bartley, Chambray Bartley, Amber Bingham, Courtney Buerger, Teddy Sue Harris, Stephen Pace, Levi Terry, Luke Terry, Justin Teague, Maggie Teague and Amy Turner

Clothing: Ross Bullinger and Molly Dudensing

Food & Nutrition: Gay Lynn Gary, Stephanie Grand, Hayley Herode, Ashley Lisle, Morgan Lisle, Jacob Manske, Lauren Newton, Hayes Ottaway, Miranda Robertson and Robbyn Tribbey

Leadership: Abby Dudensing, Samantha Kitley and Kortney Kupatt

Photography: Paige Adams, Laura Bowers, Tabitha Coker and Derrick Tribbey

Rabbit: Amy Hamilton, Kelsie Miller and MacKenzie Miller

Sheep: Candace Brister, Caleb Hudgens, B. J. Opsahl and Alexa Roberts

Swine: Chase Cockerell, Kyla Jones, Kerri Newton and Ross Short

Eleven 4-H'ers received trophies and year pins for completion of Record Books. Courtney Buerger and Amy Turner announced and presented the awards. Those receiving recognition were:

Candace Brister - Sheep - 2 years

Ross Bullinger - Clothing & Textiles - 7 years

Chase Cockerell - Swine - 4 years

Tabitha Coker - Food & Nutrition - 8 years

Abby Dudensing - Food & Nutrition - 5 years

Emery Dudensing - Food & Nutrition - 4 years

Molly Dudensing - Clothing & Textiles - 1 year

B. J. Opsahl - Sheep - 8 years

Derrick Tribbey - Photography - 4 years

Robbyn Tribbey - Clothing & Textiles - 3 years

Amy Turner - Beef - 6 years

Completing a Record Project Form this year and receiving a year pin was Laura Bowers, with a Photography Project for 1 year in 4-H.

Next leaders were the topic of recognition. B. J. Opsahl announced the adult leaders and their years of service as Cliff McGuire awarded certificates to the following leaders:

14 years - James Bevel

13 years - Abby Salinas

10 years - Renee Dudensing

9 years - Debra Bartley, Dale Bullinger, Sharee Gardner, Patrick Pace and Jane Smith

8 years - Duane Gilly, Birdie Goudeau, Dalyn Griffith and Leland Terry

7 years - Greg Brister, Paula Everett and Karleece Nowlin

6 years - Michael Bartley, Valiene Bullinger, Judi Chapman and Tammy Parham

5 years - Glenn Brzozowski, Michelle Dunnam and Lena Tidwell

4 years - Debbie Brister, Kenny Cockerell, Susan Cockerell, Roland Gardner, Cara Thomasson and Lynette Tribbey

3 years - Ann Brumley, Lori Combs, Renee McClellan, Fonda Newton, Bart Parham, Reida Penman, Melissa Robertson and Martha Wolsch

2 years - Imogene Aycock, Scott Bingham, Sylvia Bingham, Gina Buerger, Kenneth Buerger, Kristi Jones, Wes Jones and Kristi Long

1 year - Janet Bowers, Ruby Cockerell, Kelli Falkner, Pat Grand, Glenna Hamilton, Keith Hamilton, Darlene Hopkins, Kathy Hughes, Leslie Kupatt, Jana Manske, Tonya Miller, Cherry Pittcock, Joyce Ramirez, Norma

Rios, Robert Tribbey and Reva York

Cliff McGuire then recognized the Junior Leaders as B. J. Opsahl presented certificates to:

4 years - Brittany Bartley, Brandy Gardner and Selina Salinas

3 years - Levi Terry

2 years - Tabitha Coker, Katy McDaniel, Kyle Michaels, Jennifer Smith and Justin Teague

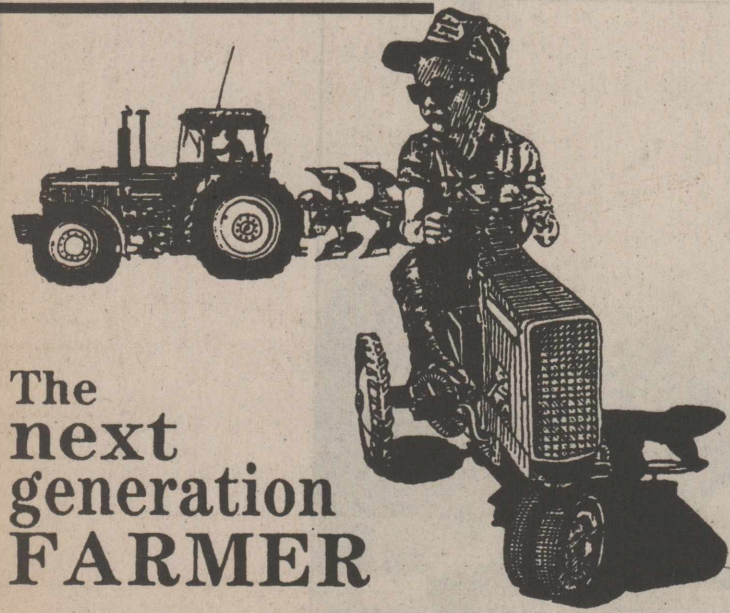
1 year - Courtney Buerger, Abby Dudensing, Caitlin Frierson, Eric Hager, Cliff McGuire, B. J. Opsahl and Amy Turner

The awards for outstanding individuals and families were presented by Haskell County Extension Agents Lou Gilly and Brandon Anderson. The Friend of 4-H Award was given to Dale Bullinger, Randy Hise and Bill Thomas for their support and assistance during the premium sale at the Haskell County Junior Livestock Show. The Outstanding 4-H Leader Award was presented to Renee Dudensing for her continued leadership of the Rule 4-H Club and also project leadership. The Michael Bartley family was presented as Haskell County's Outstanding 4-H Family.

Special 4-H awards followed, including 4 county awards to be awarded along with the annual Gold Star. The winner of the Haskell County Rookie Award was Molly Dudensing. The Haskell County 4-H Clover Award was presented to Emery Dudensing. The Silver Star Award, which is the equivalency of the Gold Star for 12-14 year olds, was presented to Ross Bullinger. The Danforth "I Dare You" Award for Leadership was given to Derrick Tribbey. This year's recipient of the Gold Star Award was Tabitha Coker.

Haskell County Extension Agent Brandon Anderson told of

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The next generation FARMER

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When we left the first town meeting, we were thankful to have jobs with benefits and pensions and so proud to be a part of this community and county based on the expectant mood and the attitude of cooperation exhibited by nearly all in attendance. The only unsettling comment heard that night was that Bealls was closing the next week. Actually, Bealls' closing should have further strengthened resolve to go forward as soon as possible with the prison.

Please carefully consider some effects of rejecting the prison:

- In order to maintain city and county services, it is very probable that taxes will rise because there will be fewer and fewer people who can afford to live here. Services funded by taxes include the police and fire departments, municipal court, streets and parks and city administration.
- Young families may have to move to find gainful employment, and the rest of us will look elsewhere for viable communities at retirement, if not before.
- Many remaining business may be forced to close further reducing sales taxes which also assist in providing operating funds for our police and fire departments, municipal court, streets and parks and city administration.
- Programs in our schools will suffer because of the continued shrinking tax base, and the quality education our children now enjoy will be adversely affected.

A "yes" vote will effectively assist in preventing the above negative, debilitating situations from happening and will benefit people of all ages and income levels.

Haskell County has effective, conscientious law enforcement. The very presence of a prison and additional law enforcement personnel in the community will serve to only enhance security.

A community and county without employment opportunities can never hold young people nor attract the families required to help make a location economically viable. If this economic opportunity fails, those left to shoulder the increasing tax load in Haskell County soon will be primarily older citizens. If our county continues its population decline, soon there may be no one left young and mobile enough to help tend our family's graves in Willow Cemetery. Continued economic decline means that it is very likely you will be driving to Abilene for more and more of your needs.

We urge you to carefully weigh this issue and its implications for the good of this area. Perhaps you have no financial problems, don't mind paying higher taxes in the future in a dwindling city/county and don't need a job. If that's the case, consider your neighbors who do need work, want to continue living here and want to provide this community and county an opportunity to survive.

Sam and Twyla Pace

Pd. for by Sam and Twyla Pace

Vote No CITY OF HASKELL and HASKELL COUNTY VOTERS CONSIDER THESE FACTS: Vote No

- There are real concerns about how this project will effect our schools, hospital, sheriff's department, water and sewer system, landfill, labor force, and our general quality of life.
- The proposed Rolling Plains Regional County Jail and Detention Center would not be a State prison. The facility would be a speculative private prison owned jointly by the City and County. In other words, you the taxpayer will be the owner of the prison.
- Bills are pending in the Congress of the United States proposing that Federal convicts not be jailed in private prisons. The Public Safety Act, H.R. 979, and S. 2927 was introduced in July of 2000.
- When problems arise in a private prison, such as riots or escapes, our local authorities will be required to respond. When mistakes are made in handling these problems, our local government will be liable for costs and legal fees.
- The speculative private prison will be bidding in competition with other cities and counties for convicts. This competition will drive bids down and lower revenue. Will there be enough money for debt service? If not, the proposed tax increase on your house, farmland, city lots, or your business will pay the debt.
- The phrase, "We've got to do something" is often heard around the city and county and suggests we are acting out of desperation. Would we ever consider a risky private prison scheme in good times?
- When the potential risks are measured against the dubiously asserted gains, this plan does not meet the criteria for real progress or growth in the City or County.
- The TDCJ is proposing to build new State prisons, with up to 8,550 new beds, and at the same time they're telling the City and County to hurry up and build a speculative private prison with your tax dollars. Think about it.
- The case against private prisons is clear. Prison privatization only benefits corporations and their shareholders. The promises of jobs and tax revenues never materialize. Cost cutting and high employee turnover lead to dangerous conditions inside and outside the prison walls.
- This is a speculative private prison project. You are being asked to approve money for a project that does not have a written contract with the State of Texas, the TDCJ, a building contractor, or a management company.

Pd. for by Concerned Farmers, Ranchers and Citizens against the Decline of Haskell County. Don Perry Treasurer

Savings Bonds offer tax advantages

by Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
"U. S. Savings Bonds are a great way to give yourself a break from taxes and they are really a simple investment for people with limited incomes or savings. They are a great way to start or add to your family's savings plans," said Lou Gilly, County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Haskell County.

"All interest earnings from the I Bond and Series EE saving bond are exempt from state and local income taxes. That is a definite attraction for many households. On top of that, federal income taxes on earnings are deferred until you redeem the savings bonds or until they reach final maturity 30 years after their issue dates," said Gilly.

As a result, the person who owns the bond has the option of redeeming their savings bonds and paying taxes on the interest when it's best for them. This option alone can save many families and individuals from facing an additional tax burden upon maturity.

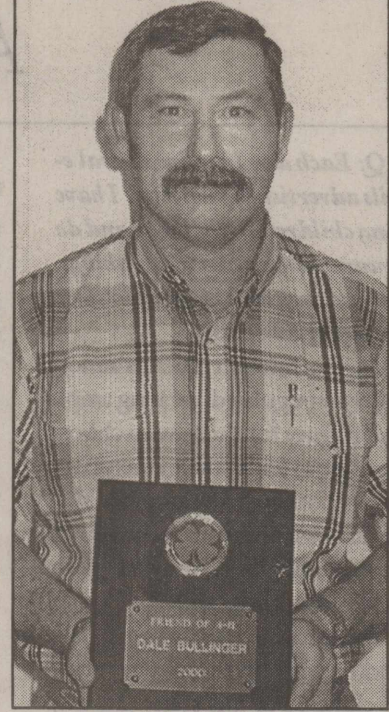
"For example, if you have a year when your income is lower than expected, you may choose to redeem your savings bonds and pay a lower rate of interest. Or, if you keep your bonds and cash them in after you retire, you will have a lower tax rate because you have less income. Paying lower taxes on your earnings from the bonds really gives you a greater rate of return on your investment," Gilly added.

If you own Series E or EE savings bonds and you want to further delay paying federal income tax on the earned interest, you can exchange them for Series HH savings bonds. By doing this, you can defer the EE interest up to an additional 20 years while getting reportable interest payments twice a year at the HH rate. So if you buy savings bonds in your younger years, you can delay paying taxes on the earned income for up to 50 years.

Another important tip to remember is that interest on all Series EE and I Bonds may be exempt from federal income taxes if you use them to pay for various education expenses. The education benefit applies to savings bonds issued since Jan. 1990. There are some limitations that apply, so you may want to check with someone to be sure your expenses qualify for this exemption.



**RENEE DUDENSING
OUTSTANDING 4-H LEADER**



**DALE BULLINGER
FRIEND OF 4-H AWARD**

4-H Awards

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donations. A Money Wreath was collected by Haskell County 4-H and was given to the 4-H family of Justin Baty from Rochester. Also, Lou Gilly presented Brandon Anderson, Penny Young, Colton and Jimmy Young with a surprise Money Wreath from 4-H'ers and families. Both Money Wreaths were assembled by Susan Cockerell.

Many area businesses donated door prizes enough that each 4-H'er at the banquet received a prize. Tabitha Coker and Tara Lisle gave closing remarks. They thanked the lending institutions and also everyone else who has supported Extension activities this past year. Homemade ice cream and desserts were served after the meeting.

Older adults need special doctors, too

Just as children are treated by pediatricians, it can be a good idea for elderly patients to see specialists. These specialists are geriatricians.

These doctors are trained to deal with the unique medical problems that come with aging, just as pediatricians are trained to deal with the unique medical problems of children. As the Baby Boom generation ages, geriatricians will play a more important role. Unfortunately, there aren't a lot of them.

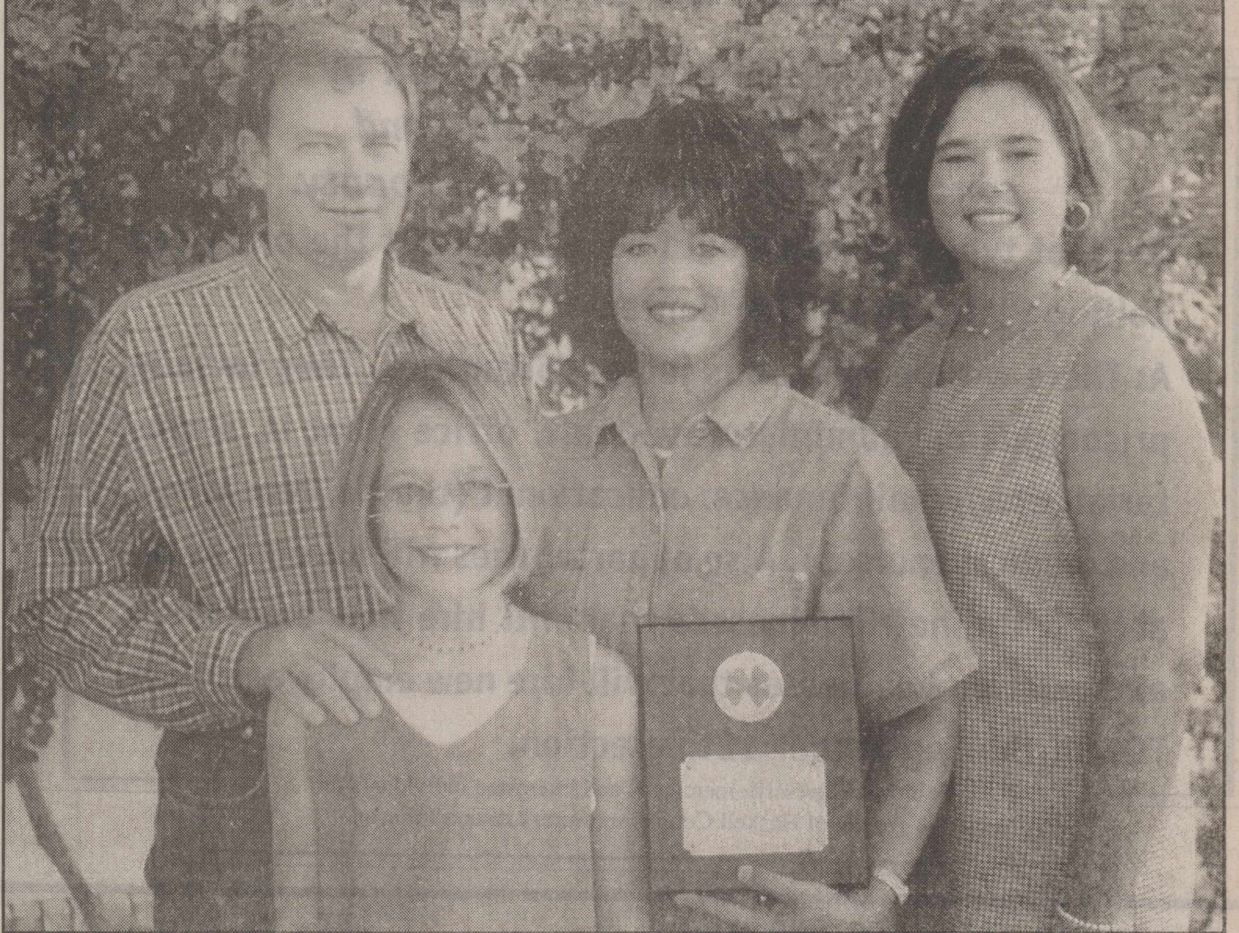
UT Southwestern is one of the medical centers with a specific program to train specialists in geriatric medicine. These doctors learn to consider all the problems an older patient might have, such as multiple medical problems and

the effects of taking multiple medications. Doctors need to know how to balance these medications to treat problems while avoiding new problems. Older adults may react differently to medicines and other treatments than younger people. These specialists also understand some of the issues elderly people face in receiving medical care.

Often, there is no clear cut cure for their patients' health problems, so being a geriatrician can be challenging. But these doctors also see the reward of being able to make their patients' senior years happier and healthier ones.

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REFLECTIONS AND REBUTTAL

The recent controversy over the prison location reminds me of the Miller Creek controversy in the 1950's and 60's. Thanks to hard work, vision and thick-skin of men like my father, Bob Herren, Pete Beecher, R. C. Couch, Jr., and others who served on the water authority board we have water for our community. Have you seen Throckmorton or Stamford Lakes recently? I wonder if those against the prison are the same ones who were against the water, the City Hall. . . .

Agriculture has carried our county for years, but economically can no longer. I too would prefer an industry, multiple businesses anything that would stimulate our small community's economy. None of these is available . . . the prison is. We live in Lubbock and are surrounded by prisons. The John T. Montford Unit for the Criminally Insane is close by and we have no fear nor have we seen signs warning against picking up hitchhikers . . . that's a given! I am not afraid of the criminals locked up . . . only those still running around.

To Mr. and Mrs. Godwin: we welcome you to Haskell County; we're glad you're here and bring your friends. The kind of economy we need to save our community and our way of life is not in a retirement mode. Did you bring your children to attend our schools, to marry our citizens and continue our lifestyle? Will you take some of these retirement funds and invest in our local businesses . . . will you shop in Haskell, buy your cars, groceries, clothes here?

There are those of us native Haskellites who are also reaching retirement age—that land has been in our family for generations. Our loved ones are buried in Willow Cemetery . . . and yes, we currently pay taxes: city, county, hospital and school. We're wondering . . . is there going to be a home to return to, or is it as Thomas Wolfe said, "You can't go home again."

Please vote for the only solution that can save our home economically.
John and Jan Gannaway
Pd. for by John and Jan Gannaway

Vote No CITY OF HASKELL and HASKELL COUNTY VOTERS CONSIDER THESE FACTS: **Vote No**

Q: Will prison inmates take jobs away from local residents?
A: Yes. Proponents of the prison would have inmates working as free laborers in the community and surrounding area. They suggest the inmates be employed in the Courthouse, the Library, on county roads, at ball fields and at parks where they will be free to intermingle with the local population.

Q: What kinds of prisoners will be housed in the private prison?
A: Convicts that are classified, as medium to minimum security would be housed in the private prison. But, it is a common practice to reclassify "violent" criminals to a medium or minimum status in order to keep the beds in private prisons full.

Pd. for by Concerned Farmers, Ranchers and Citizens against the Decline of Haskell County, Don Perry Treasurer

A Notice to Voters in the City Limits of Haskell:
YOU MUST VOTE AT CITY HALL AND AT YOUR REGULAR VOTING PLACE IN THE COUNTY.
PLEASE VOTE FOR THE PROGRESS OF HASKELL COUNTY.
ELECTION MUST CARRY IN BOTH THE CITY AND COUNTY ELECTIONS TO PASS.
PLEASE VOTE

Pd. for by The Haskell Free Press

This message is brought to you by the progressive merchants and concerned citizens of Haskell County.

Q: What types of jobs would be available at the proposed Rolling Plains Detention Center.

A: There will be numerous job opportunities. They include prison guards, administrative staff, office (that is, secretarial, etc.), maintenance, educational (that is, teaching), and medical (nurses). Also opportunities will become available in the new businesses that will hire new employees and existing businesses that will hire new employees. Vote FOR in the September 12th election.

Paid for by progressive merchants and interested individuals for the growth of Haskell County, treasurer Loraine Johnson

Ask the AG

By John Cornyn, Attorney General

Q: Each day I receive several e-mails advertising porn sites. I have young children in the house and do not want them exposed to such things. Are you doing anything to put these sites out of business?

A: The Internet remains almost entirely unregulated, creating ample opportunity for those who choose to engage in undesirable enterprises. It is important to remember that activities which are illegal in the real world are also illegal in cyberspace-like child pornography.

As Attorney General, I take seriously my responsibility to protect the children of this state. To help combat child pornography on the Internet, my office has staff members dedicated to prosecuting those who post illegal images on the Web.

The Internet Child Pornography Unit was created in 1998 through a grant from the Governor's office. Specially trained investigators and prosecutors work with local law enforcement officials to investigate and prosecute those suspected of possessing child pornography.

If you receive an e-mail that appears to be advertising a Web site that contains child pornography, you can file a report directly with the Internet Child Pornography Unit through the "Criminal Justice" section of our Web site at www.oag.state.tx.us.

Last year, my office joined forces with the Texas Internet Service Provider Association (TISPA) to create guidelines for reporting suspected child pornography on the Web. Members of TISPA now have guidelines that they can follow to report possible cases of child pornography to my office for investigation.

Now, when an Internet customer reports allegations of child pornography to his or her Internet Service Provider, that provider can in turn report it to our office. This provides a means for Internet Service Providers to police their own networks and protect their customers.

Q: I get dozens of unsolicited e-mails each day in my e-mail account. Is there any way to stop these people? The messages are usually advertisements for get-rich-quick schemes.

A: Everyone who has an e-mail

account has received unsolicited messages, or "Spam." Not only are these messages annoying, they can take forever to download and they clog e-mail accounts. These messages are about get-rich-quick or work-at-home schemes. Others offer phony university diplomas or fraudulent international driver's licenses.

Many messages contain instructions telling the recipient to reply to the message and type "remove" in the subject line. But this rarely works. In fact, it sends a message that your address is an active account and opens you up to receiving more spam.

Many Internet Service Providers have anti-spam policies. Check with your provider to see how to file a complaint. You could also consider using an Internet Service Provider that strictly enforces its anti-spam policies or that filters e-mails for spam.

The Consumer Protection Division of my office can investigate Internet organizations and companies that break consumer protection laws. The Deceptive Trade Practices Act applies in cyberspace just as it does in the real world. If you have a complaint against a specific Internet company, you can file a complaint with the Consumer Protection Division of my office by completing a consumer complaint form. The form is available online through the "Consumer Protection" section of our Web site at www.oag.state.tx.us.

This Week's Devotional Message:



GRANDPARENTS STAY YOUNG LONGER THAN EVER BEFORE

Thanks to better living habits, advances in medicine, and a wider variety of appropriate activities, people are not only living longer but staying active longer. The so-called "generation gap" is a lot narrower than it used to be, because Grandma and Grandpa no longer sit at home in their rocking chairs. They go to senior citizen lunches, play bingo, and organize political action groups to secure

better health care, insurance, etc. Some continue working, or even find new careers for themselves. In any case, we can learn much from their ability to enjoy and make the most of every day that remains of their lives. At our House of Worship, our children will learn to love, respect and communicate with their elders; a rewarding experience for all.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

HASKELL

- East Side Baptist Church**
David Page, pastor
Sun. 8:30 a.m., 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.
600 N. 1st East, Haskell
- Christian Church**
Dusty Garison, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 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**
Bill and Renee Glass, pastors
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.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.
Gazebo or Pavillion

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**
Stan Leaf, 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.
Corner of 8th & Robins, Rule
- Church of Christ**
John Greeson, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
811 Union, Rule
- First United Methodist Church**
Shane Brue, pastor
Sun. Morn. Worship 9 a.m.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
1000 Union Ave., Rule
- New Life Baptist Mission**
Jesus Herrera
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
Elm Street/Hwy 380 E, Rule
- Sweet Home Baptist Church**
Vergil Smith, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.
Gladstone Ave., Rule
- West Bethal Baptist Church**
Rev. Robert Sweet
Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.
300 Sunny Ave., Rule

PAINT CREEK

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

WEINERT

- First Baptist Church**
Chris Powell, pastor
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 7 p.m.
Weinert
- Weinert Foursquare Church**
Rev. Robert Harrison
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**
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

Limiting sweets can be tricky

How can you limit sweets your children eat without going to the extreme?

Pediatricians at UT Southwestern say it's natural for children to like sweets. Different taste buds develop at different times and the taste buds that sense sweetness provide a very positive feeling for small children. Children need some sugar in their diets for energy, but that doesn't mean they should indulge in candy all the time. Kids who develop a taste for sweets instead of more nutritious foods may develop weight problems if they don't burn up the extra calories through activity. Sugar also can lead to tooth decay and gum problems.

Candy isn't the only source of

sugar in kids' diets. You'll find added sugar in snacks, soft drinks, juice drinks and cereal. The new nutrition labels found on packaged foods make it easy to find the sugar content of foods, but the labels don't distinguish between sugar naturally found in foods and added sugar. As a result, wholesome foods like milk appear to be high in sugar, even though no sugar is added to milk.

You don't have to eliminate sugar from children's diets, unless a child has a specific health condition that requires sugar restriction. Just limit sugary treats to one or two a week. Offer naturally sweet foods like fruits as an alternative dessert. And make sure kids brush their teeth soon after eating sweet snacks.

TAX PLANNING

Written By
Gerald Rodgers, CPA



GOOD TRUST, BAD TRUST

Trusts have been around for centuries, and trusts continue to serve legitimate estate planning purposes. Unfortunately, recent years have also seen the proliferation of illegal trusts, which are often marketed as vehicles to cut (or even eliminate) income, estate, and self-employment taxes. Many taxpayers are confused, and some now shy away from all types of trusts. Other taxpayers stumble into trusts that seem like a good idea at first, but flagrantly violate the law.

What should an honest taxpayer do? Perhaps the best piece of advice is also the simplest: If a trust sounds too good to be true, it probably is. For example, under current U. S. tax law, no trust can reduce or eliminate your income tax bill, unless you permanently give up control of your assets. Also, no trust can legally convert your personal living expenses, such as food, clothing, and vacations, into tax deductions. Any advisor who assures you otherwise is wrong.

It would be impossible to describe every type of bogus trust, so here's another good, general rule: know the source of your advice. If you first hear about a tax-saving trust through an unsolicited telephone call, mass mailing, or newspaper ad, be very suspicious. This is especially true if you've had no previous dealings with the promoter of the trust. On the other hand, if your family accountant or lawyer recommends a trust for estate planning purposes, there's a good chance that it's legitimate.

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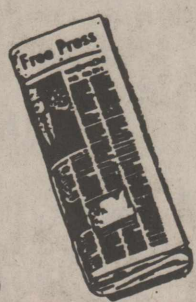
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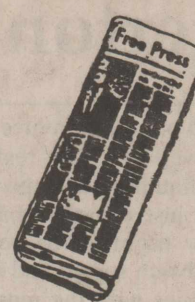
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PERMIT NO. 45015
APPLICATION Haskell County Gin, P. O. Box 234, Haskell, Texas 79521 has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for issuance of Voluntary Emission Reduction Permit, Permit No. 45015, which would authorize continued operation of an existing Cotton Gin at 810 North Avenue B, Haskell, Haskell County, Texas. The facility will emit the following air contaminants: particulate matter, carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxides, and unburned hydrocarbons. This permit will not authorize new construction of an increase in emission.

This application was submitted to the TNRCC on July 11, 2000. The application is available for viewing and copying at the TNRCC central office, TNRCC Abilene regional office, and the Haskell County Courthouse, 1 Avenue D, Haskell, Haskell County. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Abilene regional office of the TNRCC.

The TNRCC executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application.

MAILING LIST You may ask to be placed on a mailing list to obtain additional information on this application by sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING You may submit public comments, a request for a public meeting, or request a notice and comment hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TNRCC will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. The deadline to submit public comments is 30 days after newspaper notice is published. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will prepare a response to all relevant and material or significant public comments.

The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or ask questions about the application. A public meeting about the application will be held if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

After the final deadline for public comments following any public meeting or notice and comment hearing, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material or significant public comments. If any comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's action on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this application.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A NOTICE AND COMMENT HEARING A person who may be affected by the emission of air pollutants from the site may request a notice and comment hearing. The TNRCC may grant a notice and comment hearing on this application if a written hearing request is filed within 30 days after publication of the newspaper notice. The purpose of a notice and comment hearing is to provide an opportunity to submit comments on the draft permit. If a notice and comment hearing is granted, all individuals who submitted written comments or a hearing request will receive written notice of the hearing.

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INFORMATION Written public comments or requests for a public meeting or requests for a notice and comment hearing should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, TNRCC, P. O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. General information regarding the TNRCC can be found at www.tnrcc.state.tx.us.

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Sagerton News

By Dorothy M. Clark

Welcome to the ninth month of the year...we're moving right along and soon will be getting ready for the next holiday...we trust all had a good Labor Day weekend with time off for the "working" people, visits from relatives, homecomings, bird hunting, etc. Goodness, this was a busy weekend!

The handbell choir of Faith Lutheran Church will be presenting a program Sun. night, Sept. 10 at

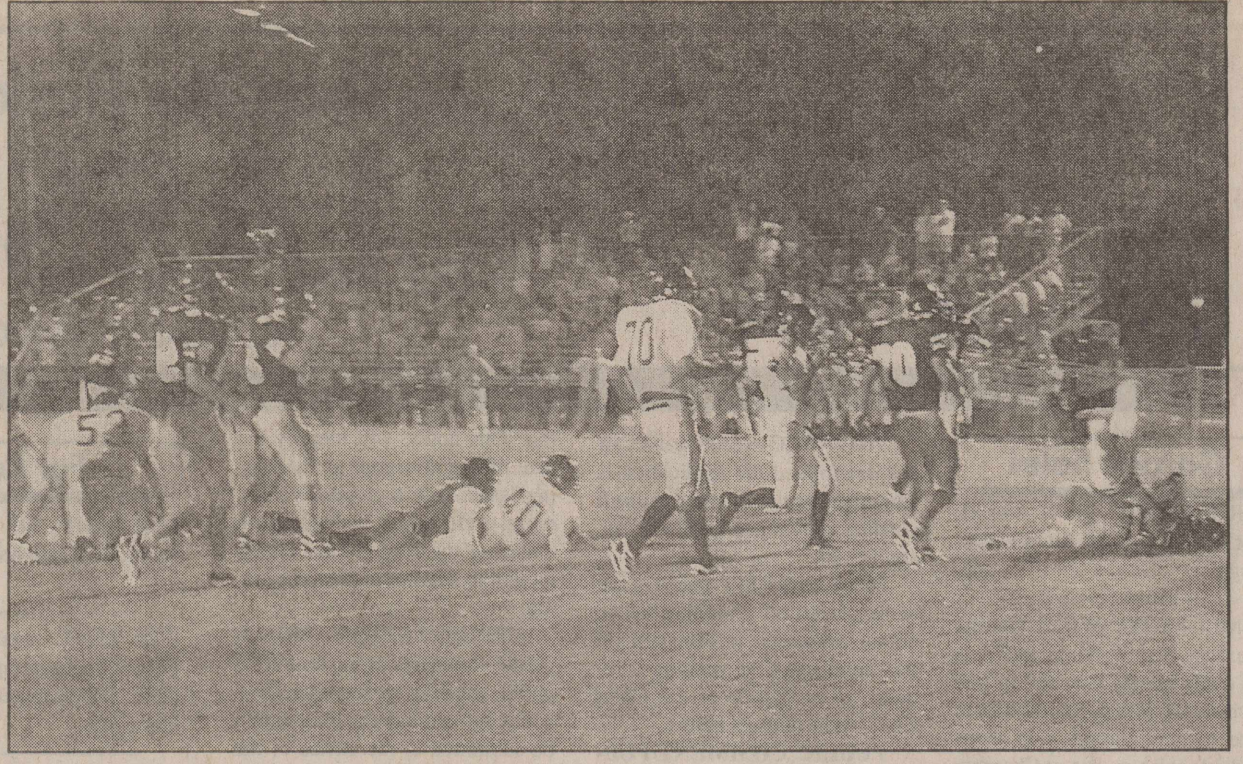
6:00 p.m. and invites all members as well as other residents of the community to come and see and hear just what the handbells can do. The night will begin with a sandwich supper and ice cream and cookies with the musical program following. Everyone is asked to bring sandwiches and chips for their family. The Bell Choir will be furnishing cookies and ice cream sundaes for dessert. The choir

consists of 10 ringers ranging in age from teenagers to great grandmas. The program will include hymns as well as fun songs with different ringing techniques. Come out and enjoy a night of food, fun and different music.

Alvin and Ev Ulmer have returned from a trip to Ruidoso with his brothers. They reported an enjoyable time and change of atmosphere.

The home of Delbert and Joyce LeFevre was the scene for a birthday dinner last Sun. honoring Frances Clark, Kinsey Brown and Susan LeFevre. Jill LeFevre made the special birthday cake which featured the inscription of: 84 plus 50 plus 15 equals three happy birthdays. Guests included the honorees and Larry LeFevre of Rule. Ken, Jill, Tully and Cade Brown and Kent, Kathy and Kit LeFevre of Tuscola.

Clancy and Helen Lehrmann attended a 90th birthday party at Jacksonville last Sat. honoring her aunt, Lena Letz Weaver. The party was held in the home of Lena's daughter May and Jack Trayler. A hamburger supper was enjoyed by the guests. Buddy and Barbara Letz of Wylie accompanied the Lehrmanns.



SEASONER OPENER-The Haskell Indians and the Cisco Lobos met at Indian Field, Fri., Sept. 1, for their opening game, which ended Haskell 14, Cisco 12. Photo by Bill Blankenship

Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 720 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., Sept. 2, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

Packer cattle steady to 2 lower; feeder cattle steady; calves 1-2 lower.

Jersey, Longhorns, cripplés, Holsteins, goons \$5-\$30/100# less than figures quoted!

Cows: fat, .36-.43; cutters, .38-.46; canners, .25-.35.

Bulls: bologna, .48-.53; feeder, .72-.78; utility .38-.44.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.20-1.45; 300-400 lbs., 1.10-1.20; 400-500

lbs., .95-1.14; 500-600 lbs., .84-.95; 600-700 lbs., .82-.88; 700-800 lbs., .78-.86; 800-up lbs., .70-.82.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.05-1.18; 300-400 lbs., .90-1.15; 400-500 lbs., .85-.95; 500-600 lbs., .80-.94; 600-up lbs., .55-.84.

Bred Heifers: medium frame, 500-625.

Bred Cows: young to middle aged, 600-700; aged or small, 475-575.

Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, 725-950; aged or small, 650-750.

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Q: Do the majority of county residents know what a private prison is?

A: No. Most people think a private prison is like a hotel, but with razor wire around it.

Q: Will a private prison bring an increase in drugs and drug trafficking?

A: Yes. The inmates will continue their drug habits inside the prison. The drug dealers will keep them supplied and look to our children and grandchildren for new prey.

Q: What will be the first thing and the last thing people see as they travel south and north on State highway 277 through Haskell?

A: They will see a building complex with high fences topped with razor wire and road signs warning motorists not to pick up hitch hikers.

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