

Basketball games

- Haskell
Vernon B-G Varsity Tournament
Thurs.-Sat. Dec. 6-8

- Boys 9th, JV
Haskell vs Breckenridge
Fri., Dec. 7, 5 p.m.
at Haskell

- Boys 9th, JV
Haskell vs Breckenridge
Sat., Dec. 8, 1 p.m.
at Breckenridge

- Boys 9th, JV
Haskell vs Breckenridge
Fri., Dec. 7, 5 p.m.
at Haskell

- Boys JV Gold
Haskell vs Abilene Cooper
Mon., Dec. 10, 6 p.m.
at Abilene Cooper

- Boys 7th, 8th; Girls 7th, 8th
Haskell vs Hawley
Mon., Dec. 10, 4:30 p.m.
Girls Here, Boys There

- JVG-B, VG-B vs Paducah
Tues., Dec. 11, 4 p.m. at Haskell

- Paint Creek
Patton Springs Tournament
Thurs.-Sat., Dec. 6-8

- Paint Creek Jr. High
Rochester Tournament
Sat., Dec. 8

- Paint Creek JH vs Rochester
Mon., Dec. 10, 5:30 p.m.
at Paint Creek

- Paint Creek vs Highland
Tues., Dec. 11, 5 p.m.
at Paint Creek

Calendar

Santa letters due

Letters to Santa will be published in the Haskell Free Press Thurs., Dec. 20. Deadline to have your letter printed is Mon., Dec. 10. Letters may be dropped by the Free Press office or mailed to Santa Claus at P. O. Box 555, Haskell, TX 79521.

Health fair, auction

A health fair and auction will be held Wed., Dec. 12 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Experienced Citizens Center, 1401 S. 1st, in Haskell.

Little Drummer Boy

The First Baptist Church Childrens' Choirs will present "The Little Drummer Boy" (behind the music) Sun., Dec. 9 at 6 p.m.

Goodfellows

Goodfellows will be accepting donations for their annual Christmas program. Applications for the program will be taken Dec. 8 and 15 from 1 to 3 p.m. at Haskell City Hall. Packages will be delivered Dec. 24 for those selected. Donations of food will be accepted by Lions Club members; toys and clothes will be accepted by the Child Welfare Board; cash donations may be made at the Haskell free Press or mailed to Goodfellows, c/o Box 555, Haskell, Texas 79521.

Enchilada dinner

The Calvary Baptist Church youth group will hold an enchilada dinner Sat., Dec. 8 from 11 to 2. Serving will be from the Annex Building, 600 S. 7th. The meal will include enchiladas, beans, rice, salad and tea. Cost is adults \$5 and children under 12 \$3.

Customer Appreciation Day

The Haskell Post Office will host a customer appreciation day Fri., Dec. 7 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

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Giant jackpot drawings Saturday

The Haskell Free Press

VOL. 115-NO. 49, ©DECEMBER 6, 2001 "The People's Choice" 14 PAGES-ONE SECTION-50 CENTS



IT'S SNOW JOKE—Real snow blanketed the ground and joined the artificial snowmen set up in Allie Belle Smith's yard in Haskell Thurs., Nov. 29, giving an authentic winter setting for the

myriad of Christmas lights and scenes on display there. Due to the heavy accumulation of snow and ice in the area, many businesses were closed and services shut down in the city.

Job Fair to be held Dec. 11-12 in Haskell

Representatives of Management and Training Corporation (MTC) will conduct a two-day job fair in Haskell for those who may be seeking employment with the Rolling Plains Regional Jail.

The Job Fair will be held at the Haskell National Bank Community Room. Tues., Dec. 11 from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Wed., Dec. 12 from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Employment applications will be available, and are required for employment by MTC. Resumes are also appreciated.

At the Haskell facility, MTC will have excellent job opportunities, salaries and benefits and positions available in the areas of finance, administrative, maintenance, security and food service. They are inviting everyone to come and explore these opportunities and learn more about the operations.

MTC, which will be operating the Rolling Plains Regional Jail, expects to open in February.

First Giant Jackpot drawing to be held Saturday in Haskell

The first drawings for eight giant jackpots totaling \$1,250.00 will take place Sat., Dec. 8, at 3:00 p.m. at the gazebo on the northeast corner of the Haskell County Courthouse square.

Sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce Merchants Committee, a total of \$2,500.00 in gift certificates will be given away during two drawings on Dec. 8 and Dec. 22.

Participating Haskell merchants are giving tickets for purchases made in their place of business.

If not present at the drawing, the winner will receive one half of the prize. The remaining will be used to make up additional prizes.

No owner or manager or their

families are eligible to win whether from a participating business or not.

Employees of businesses can win on tickets from other business, but not from tickets received at their place of employment.

All tickets must be stamped on the back by the business distributing them.

Prizes will be in the form of gift certificates, redeemable at participating businesses.

The Haskell Christmas lighting contest for homes and businesses will be judged Wednesday night, Dec. 19. Several categories will be included in the judging, and winners will be awarded recognition for their effort and artistry.

Indians named to All-District 8-2A team

Haskell Indian, 150 pound junior, Eddie Loyd was recently named to the All-District 8-2A First Team defense and to the Second Team offense.

Also named from Haskell to the

All-District 8-2A Second team offense, was James Jeanes, 165 pound junior.

Arturo Arebalos of Haskell received the District's Fighting Heart Award.

Six-Man All-District teams announced

Spread back Will Smith of Rule was named to All-District 4 Six-Man First Team offense, along with wide-receivers, Dewayne McGhee of Rochester and and Jason Custer of Rule.

Named to the First Team, defense, were Smith; Billy Sanchez of Rochester; Bobby Flores of Rule and Josh Hearn of Rochester.

On the All-District Second Team offense were: spread back Hearn, QB Flores; RB, Chance

Strickland, Rochester and Chase Hopkins of Paint Creek; OL, Jason Biba, Paint Creek; C, Brady Standefer, Rule; WR, Tommy Barr and Biba, Paint Creek; PK, Anthony Hill, Paint Creek.

Second Team Defense were: DL, Strickland, Rochester and Ricky Truelson of Rule. CB/LB, Jason Custer, Rule, Eugene Ecamilla and Chase Hopkins, both of Paint Creek; S, Hopkins; and P, Hill.



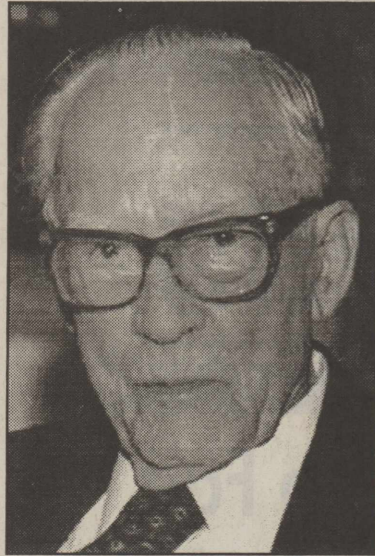
TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS—Haskell Maidens point 'number one' after winning the Haskell Invitational Tournament Championship. Front row, l-r, Whitney Hise, Morgan Cox, Brittany Lindsey and Mindy Price. Back, Katie McKnight, Katie Thompson, Calina Kendall, Nikki Wallace, Lynzie Harlan, Mandy Adams, Melissa Buerger and Tiffany Lindsey. Photo by Bill Blankenship



TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS—The Haskell Indians team took the championship at the Haskell Invitational Tournament. Front, l-r, managers Arturo Arebalos and Jared Webb, and team members, Josh Webb, Loren Cole, Osiel Garcia, Melvin Garcia and Leon Goudeau. Standing back, Coach Darrel Hunt, Ryan Burgess, Kyle Hunt, Zack McGuire, Cliff McGuire, Wesley Steele, Coach Mark Adams and manager, Drew Garison. Not pictured is Eddie Loyd. Photo by Bill Blankenship

Obituaries

Judge Ben Charlie Chapman



JUDGE BEN CHARLIE CHAPMAN

Funeral services for Judge Ben Charlie Chapman, 98, of Haskell were held Sat., Dec. 1 at the First Presbyterian Church in Haskell with Rev. Murray Travis and Rev. Stephen Beatty officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Judge Chapman died Wed., Nov. 28 at Haskell Memorial Hospital.

Born Sept. 19, 1903 in Stamford, he and his parents lived in Marcy until the town moved and became Rochester. He graduated from both Rochester High School and Stamford High School. He attended North Texas Agricultural College (now the University of Texas at Arlington) and the University of Texas in Austin. He graduated from Cumberland University School of Law in Lebanon, Tenn. in 1930 and obtained a license to practice law in Texas that same year.

He returned to Haskell in 1930 and soon was appointed city attorney for the City of Haskell. In 1933, he was elected Haskell County Attorney and served in this office until 1938 when he was elected as District Attorney for the 39th Judicial District of Texas. He remained in this office until 1942, he was elected District Judge of the 39th Judicial District of Texas and served until his retirement Aug. 31, 1973.

He was a member of Masonic Lodge #682 in Haskell and a very active member of First Presbyterian Church in Haskell. He had been an active member of the Haskell community with a special interest in

Haskell Little League and Youth Baseball and Boy Scouts of America. He served on the board of the Haskell Cemetery Association of Willow Cemetery for many years.

His wife, Mary Chapman, preceded him in death in February 2001.

Survivors include one son, District Judge Charles Chapman and his wife, Judith of Haskell; one grandson, C. Davis Chapman and his wife, Jennifer of Fort Worth; two step granddaughters, Tonya Burson of San Angelo and Amy Burson of Lubbock; a sister, Allie Belle Smith of Haskell; and two nephews.

Pallbearers were John Fouts, Shane Hadaway, Joseph Thigpen, Bill Jones, John Sam Rike, Tommy Matthews, Rob McKnight and Tim Everett.

Honorary pallbearers were elders of the First Presbyterian Church of Haskell.

Memorials may be made to First Presbyterian Church, P. O. Box 56, Haskell, Texas 79521; or the Texas Center for the Judiciary, Inc., 1414 Colorado, Suite 502, Austin, Texas 78701-1627; or the donor's favorite charity. PD. NOTICE

Charles 'Smitty' Smith

Funeral services for Charles 'Smitty' Smith, 96, of Haskell were held Sun., Dec. 2 at First Baptist Church in Haskell with Dr. Troy Culppepper officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home.

Mr. Smith died Thurs., Nov. 29 at Haskell Memorial Hospital.

Born Oct. 11, 1905 in Angelina County near Lufkin, he married Lula Pardo June 2, 1930 in Waco. She preceded him in death April 19, 1991. He owned and oper-

ated Smitty's Auto Supply in Haskell for many years. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and First Baptist Church where he attended the Business Men's Bible Class.

He was preceded in death by two sons, Charles W. Smith and Bobby D. Smith.

Survivors include one daughter, Danna Ruth Hooper of Austin; one brother, Kirby Smith of Seattle, Washington; seven grandchildren and twelve great grandchildren. PD. NOTICE



SR. 4-H LIVESTOCK JUDGES—The Haskell County 4-H Sr. Livestock Judging team won fourth place in the Rolling Plains District 3 Livestock Judging Contest in Vernon, Nov. 10. From the left are Chase Cockerell, Jonathan Hisey, Amy Turner and Abby Dudensing.



JUDGING TEAM—Winning second place in the 4-H Intermediate Livestock Judging Contest were: Fr. Kortney Kupatt; Teddye Sue Harris; Alexa Roberts; Gay Lynn Gary and Amber Bingham.

Judging teams compete in Vernon

County 4-H members competed in the Rolling Plains District 3 4-H Livestock Judging Contest held Sat. Nov. 10 at the Willbarger Exhibit Building in Vernon.

In Livestock Projects, 4-H'ers learn to care for animals while learning about animal health and nutrition, breeding, selection and marketing. These projects also teach

decision-making skills, record keeping, responsibility, sportsmanship and leadership.

Judging contests provide the opportunity for 4-H'ers to practice these skills by having them select animals based on body confirmation and muscling, use decision-making skills to place the animals in their

classes and then give oral reasons to validate their decision, which builds their public speaking skills. Four-H is the youth development and leadership program of Texas Cooperative Extension, a part of the Texas A&M University System.

A total of 10 4-H'ers from the county competed in the District Livestock Judging Contest. They were: Amber Bingham and Alexa Roberts of Haskell; Abby Dudensing, Jenny Dudensing, Gay Lynn Gary and Jonathan Hisey of Rule/Sagerton; and Chase Cockerell, Teddye Harris and Amy Turner of Rochester.

The Senior team placed 4th and the Intermediate team placed 2nd.

Haskell Co. Gin Report

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Tips to help remedy dry skin

The arrival of winter in our area is marked by low humidity and the use of indoor heating, two factors that can zap moisture from the skin, causing it to dry and flake.

A health tip bulletin from the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas reminds that the top layer of skin, a protective barrier made up of dead cells and lipids, aids in retaining moisture. Frequent bathing, too much soap and exfoliating with a luffa sponge can actually wreak havoc on the skin.

"Try limiting the amount of soap applied and avoid using luffa sponges," says Dr. Paul Bergstresser, chairman of dermatology at the Center. "Both can strip the protective layer intended to preserve moisture."

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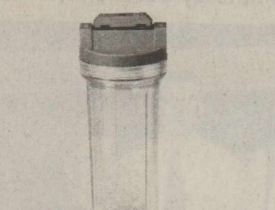


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Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Hyrum and Jean Richards, Lois Redwine and Bill and Peggy Middlebrook were in Yoakum Nov. 20.

Visiting in the Hyrum and Jean Richards home during Thanksgiving were son, Brady Henshaw and daughter, Savannah Jean from Albuquerque, Gaylon Head from the Veterans Home, Big Spring and Curtis Head from Houston. They also visited with Lois Redwine.

Visiting with Faye Gray for the Thanksgiving holidays were her sons Lynn of Grapeland and Lee and wife Polly of Chelmate, Louisiana. They all went to her daughters', Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Hix in Abilene on Thanksgiving day.

Georgia Turnbow has been to Midland with her son and family who are announcing the arrival of a new baby boy, Mathew, who was welcomed home by big brother Mark and his parents Mr. and Mrs. Greg Turnbow.

On Wed., Nov. 21, Fannie Mae Barton accompanied by Joyce Hawkins went to Ft. Worth where Fannie Mae visited her daughter and family Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Derrick and Joyce's daughter in law. Darlene Hawkins picked her up and she went to Lewisville for the holiday to visit her son Bobby and Darlene and family. They all went to Darlene's cousins, Don and Lesia for the day, where there was about 35 family members gathered for lunch and visiting. Fannie Mae and Joyce returned home on Tues. where they ran into the snow storm at Throckmorton but made it home fine.

Glendon Hawkins and daughter Tamera Hearn and son Dakota of Irving visited with Joyce Hawkins and other relatives and Tamera and Dakota visited mom Charlene over the week-end.

Pete Callaway is back home after spending two weeks with daughter Tressa Wilson from Tallaha, Okla.

Top 4-H food show winners named

Two hundred boys and girls from 25 counties exhibited their nutritional knowledge and cooking skills at the Rolling Plains District 4-H Food Show held in Vernon Nov. 17 at the Wilbarger Auditorium. Four seniors will advance to the State competition in June 2002. Second place senior winners will participate in the State event if the first place winners can't take part. Intermediate and Junior Division winners do not complete beyond the District level.

Haskell County 4-H'ers participating in the District event were:

Juniors: Molly Dudensing, 1st place winner in the Fruit and Vegetable category; Aubrey Bassett, 1st place winner in the Bread and Cereal Category; Jenny Dudensing, 1st place winner in the Nutritious Snacks Category; Andrea Anderson, 3rd place in the Desserts Category; and Chloe Baty competing in the Main Dish Category.

Intermediates: Robbyn Tribbey, 2nd place in the Fruit and Vegetable Category; Emery Dudensing, 4th place in the Nutritious Snacks Category; Stephanie Grand, 4th place in the Desserts Category; and Shayla Felty competing in the Main Dish Category.

Seniors: Derrick Tribbey, 2nd place in the Nutritious Snacks Category; Abby Dudensing, 4th place in the Main Dish Category; and Savannah Foster competing in the Bread and Cereal Category.

Special cash awards, sponsored by Santa Rosa Cattle Women and Wichita Falls Area Cattle Women were also presented to first, second and third place winners in Main Dish and Nutritious Snacks Categories in which beef was an ingredient. Haskell County 4-H'ers receiving

Beef Awards included Senior 4-H'ers Abby Dudensing, 2nd place and Derrick Tribbey, 3rd place.

Each contestant had earned championships in their county to advance to the day-long competition at the District meet. The dishes were judged by panels of professional home economists and 4-H leaders. Contestants were quizzed on nutritional values, preparation methods and costs of preparation.

Two invitational features were special Food and Nutrition exhibits prepared by some of the 4-H members from the Rolling Plains as well as news releases specially prepared by various 4-H members in the District. Haskell County 4-H'ers who were recognized with certificates for submitting news releases were Lisa Acosta, Tommy Barr, Maggie Brzozowski, Kasey Dunivan, Eric Hobbs, Jesse Medford, Paul Schonertstedt, Erin Terrell and Kelly Thompson.

This show is one aspect of the year-round food and nutrition project in 4-H, explained Pam Foster, District Director with the Texas Cooperative Extension.

She said the project helps youth learn the relationship between science, food and nutrition and food preparation, as well as food buying, managing time, use of energy and food storage and safety.

If you would like more information about how to join 4-H and/or how to become involved in a 4-H food and nutrition project contact the Texas Cooperative Extension - Haskell County Office located at 101 South Avenue D in Haskell. The County Extension Agents serving Haskell County and their phone numbers are Brandon Anderson (940) 864-2658 and Lou Gilly (940) 864-2546.

Haskell native attends Comedy Conference



CINDY FITZHARRIS

Cindy Ivey Fitzharris, daughter of L. B. and Marie Ivey of Haskell, recently attended the 8th Annual California Comedy Conference in Palm Springs. Hosted by Judy Carter, author of *The Comedy Bible*, the workshop and showcase weekend was for aspiring new stand-up comedians. In the audience looking for new talent were some of the funniest names in Hollywood.

Judy Carter said of Fitzharris'

presentation, "Cindy cracked me up...great set."

Some of the other positive reviews she received for her stand-up showcase were:

Rob Lotterstein, writer/producer for *Grosse Pointe*, *Will and Grace*, *Dream On* and *Ellen* said, "Really surprised me...great act."

Mike Spear, writer for the *Late Show* with David Letterman, said, "Very honest presence; different, likable."

Tony Sepulveda, Vice-president of casting at Warner Brothers TV, who cast shows such as *Friends* and *The Drew Carey Show*, said, "Great potential of comic voice and style."

Gina Rubinstein, producer/writer of *Special Presentations* plus reality, magazine game and talk shows, said, "Great set; loved the humor."

Robert Hartmann, manager/TV producer and talent booker for *The Improv*, said, "Interesting look."

Ellen Idelson, writer/producer for *Will and Grace* and *Ellen*, said, "Great jokes."

Fitzharris is a 1977 graduate of Haskell High School. She lives in Florida and will appear at *Punchline Comedy Club* in Atlanta, Georgia in January.

Homespun Club honors County officials

The Homespun Club of Haskell County Extension Education Association, hosted a luncheon Nov. 27 for the County Judge and County Commissioners at the First United Methodist Church.

The "Take a Commissioner to Lunch" event was held in appreciation of the county officials for being supportive of the organization during the past years.

Prepared by club members, a Mexican casserole, green salad, relish plate, pinto beans, chips, salsa and peach cobbler were served.

Tables were decorated with a patriotic theme. One table arranged in memory of Henrietta Rueffer, featured her awards and achievements during the many years she served with the club.

Attending were Louetta Davis, Commissioners Kenny Thompson and Tiffen Mayfield and Erlinda Mayfield, County Agent Brandon Anderson and Penny Anderson, Extension Agent Lou Gilly, Tammy Parham, Extension Agricultural Engineering Specialist, Dr. Bruce Lesikan, club members and their spouses.

Coping with life's changes can be a challenge

by Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Extension Agent

Change comes into every life, at every age. Extension family development specialist Linda Ladd says for children massive change can be especially difficult because their experiences are limited. Children can be affected differently than adults. Ladd says it's up to the adults to help children through rough times.

The age and development level of children need to be considered. That can better prepare adults to support children emotionally, teach effective problem-solving skills, and model

successful coping strategies. Ladd reminds us that children will normally look to adults for information on how they should behave.

Adolescents and teenagers will have enough life experience to help attach meaning to a life-changing event. But, adults need to talk to youth to learn how that individual interprets and internalized the event. Change is constant, but it is all a part of life. We can all learn and grow from it and we can help each other through.



CRUISE ON THANKSGIVING—Travis and Alma Solomon of Haskell went on a Thanksgiving week cruise to Cozumel and Cancun, Mexico, along with 25 family members and friends to celebrate the 60th wedding anniversary of Buford and Faye Littlepage of Fort Worth. Among the party were Frankie, Rhonda and Rebecca Moeller, and the Solomon's daughter, Carolyn Gathings, all of Fort Worth.

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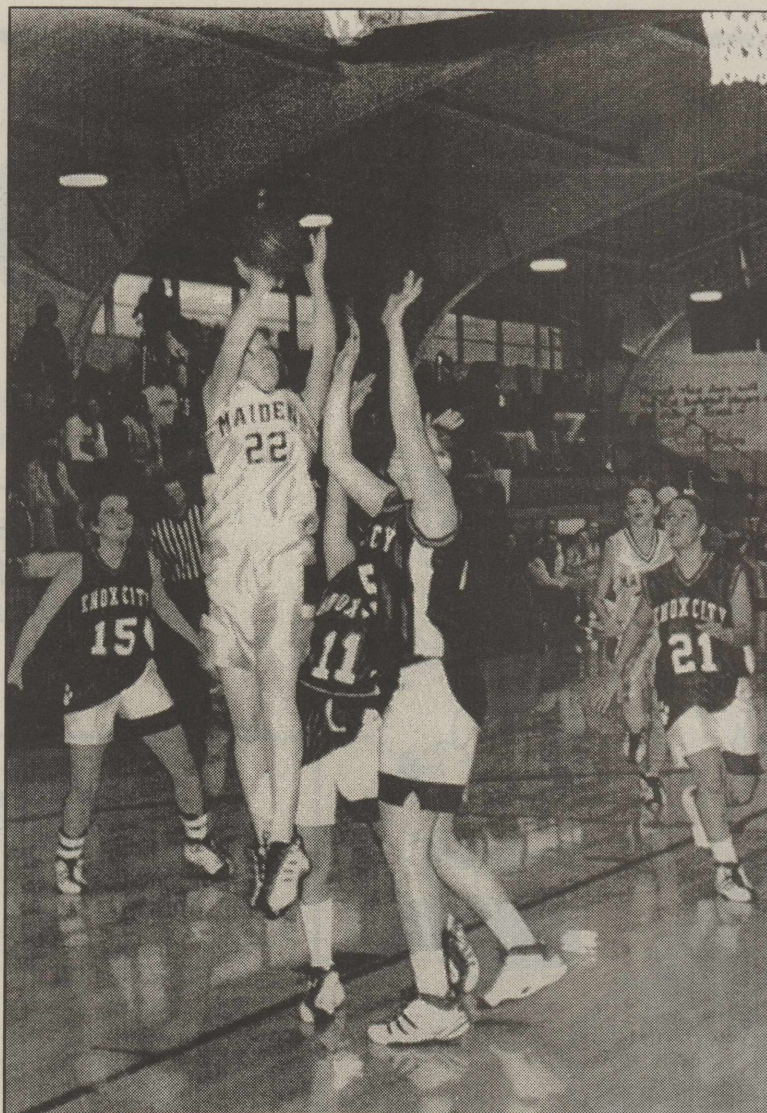
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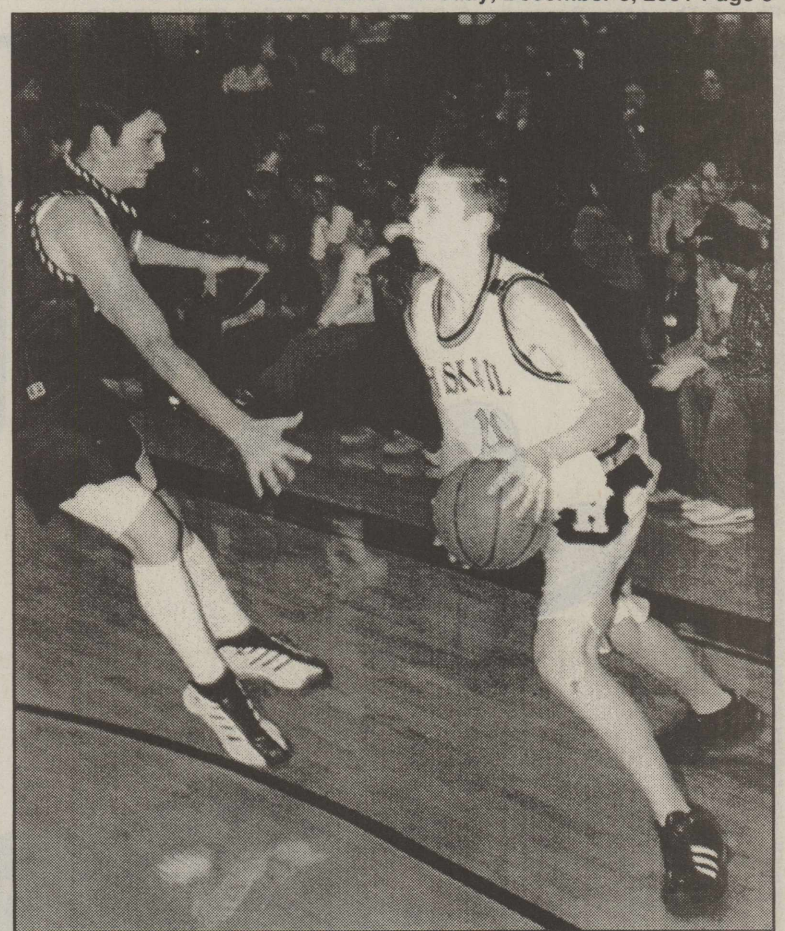
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HARLAN SCORES—Haskell Maiden, #32 Lynzie Harlan goes up to add points in the game with Eula during the Haskell Invitational Tournament, Nov. 30. Photo by Bill Blankenship



MAIDEN UP TO SCORE—Haskell Maiden, #22 Brittany Lindsey puts one in during the game with Knox City in tournament action, Nov. 29. Photo by Bill Blankenship



EVADING A GUARD—Josh Webb, Haskell Indian #4, prepares to pass in the game with Hawley, Dec. 1, during the Haskell Invitational Tournament. Photo by Bill Blankenship

Haskell teams to play in Vernon tourney

Haskell teams will be among 44 teams competing in the Vernon Invitational Basketball Tournament Dec. 6, 7, 8. The three-day run of games will be played at D. O. Fulton Gym and P. E. Gym, both on the campus of Vernon High School and at the King Athletic Complex on the campus of Vernon College.

Chillicothe, Archer City, Electra, Paducah, Harrold, Vernon-Northside, Crowell, Borger, Amarillo River Road, Vernon, Haskell, Wichita Falls City View, Midway, Memphis, Groom, Vernon JV and Eldorado, Oklahoma.

Haskell Boys will play Vernon in the White Bracket at 2:30 p.m. Thursday at Fulton Gym. The bracket championship game will be played at 6:30 p.m. Saturday at Vernon College.

Competition will be divided into 24 boys teams in three brackets and 20 girls teams in three brackets. Playing in the boys brackets will be Sherman, Pampa, Graham, Holliday, Archer City, Vernon, Borger, Paducah, Childress, Iowa Park, Wichita Falls City View, Lubbock Cooper, Harrold, Vernon-Northside, Chillicothe, Electra, Crowell, Memphis, Haskell, Lake Worth, Midway, Groom, Amarillo San Jacinto Christian, and Eldorado, Oklahoma.

Haskell Girls will play Amarillo River Road in the Maroon bracket, at 1:00 p.m., Thursday at the P. E. Gym. The championship game will be played at 7:00 p.m. Saturday at Fulton Gym.

Action in the girls brackets will feature Holliday, Quanah, ...

**FOR CLASSIFIEDS
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Area Boys Basketball scores

Boys Haskell Tournament 1st Round
Haskell 75, Knox City 31

Scoring for Haskell: C. McGuire 21, Loyd 15, M. Garcia 8, Z. McGuire 8, Goudeau 7, Webb 4, Steele 4, Hunt 3, Burgess 3, O. Garcia 2.

2nd Round

Haskell 63, Eula 41

Championship
Haskell 62, Hawley 48
Boys' all-tournament team: Cliff McGuire, Haskell (MVP); Josh Webb, Haskell; Leon Goudeau, Haskell.

Goree Tournament

Rochester 53, Munday JV 29
Scoring for Rochester: Hearn 8, McGhee 10, B. Sanchez 16, Self 4, E. Sanchez 12.

Haskell Freshman boys - second place.

Rochester 74, Haskell JV 35
Scoring for Haskell JV: McClatchey 17, Vasquez 8, DeLaCruz 2, New 4, Webb 4.

Scoring for Rochester: B. Sanchez 8, Hearn 4, McGhee 28, Strickland 6, E. Sanchez 21, Taylor 2, Williams 5.

Woodson Tournament

Newcastle 56, Rule 51

Scoring for Rule: Smith 17, Custer 8, Stephens 6, Standefer 7, Truelson 6, Falkner 4, Turner 2, Flores 1.

Double Mountain Shootout

Aspermont 54, Paint Creek 39
Scoring for Paint Creek: Lawrence 18, C. Hobbs 6, E. Hobbs 4, Barr 4, Sageser 4, Medford 3.

Paint Creek 49, Hermleigh 30
Scoring for Paint Creek: C. Hobbs 18, E. Hobbs 8, Sageser 8, Biba 7, Lowrance 2, Barr 2, Hope 2, Medford 2.

Hawley Tournament

Haskell Boys JV won third place.

Area Girls Basketball scores

Girls Haskell Tournament 2nd Round
Haskell 57, Eula 30

Haskell 68, Knox City 38
Scoring for Haskell: Wallace 28, Buerger 14, Lindsey 7, Thompson 4, McKnight 4, Price 3, Adams 3, Kendall 2, Harlan 3, Cox 1.

Championship

Haskell 63, Hawley 41
Girls' All tournament team: Nikka Wallace, Haskell (MVP); Melissa Buerger, Haskell; Mindy Price, Haskell.

Goree Tournament

Rochester 52, Munday JV 37
Scoring for Rochester: Nicholson 2, Byrd 31, Garcia 22, Turner 15.

Rochester 60, Haskell JV 16
Scoring for Haskell JV: Reed 6, Acosta 10.

Scoring for Rochester: Byrd 29, Martinez 3, Beauchamp 2, Ramos 2, Garcia 15, Turner 9.

Goree

Haskell Girls JV Gold team won second place.

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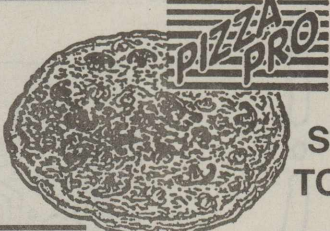
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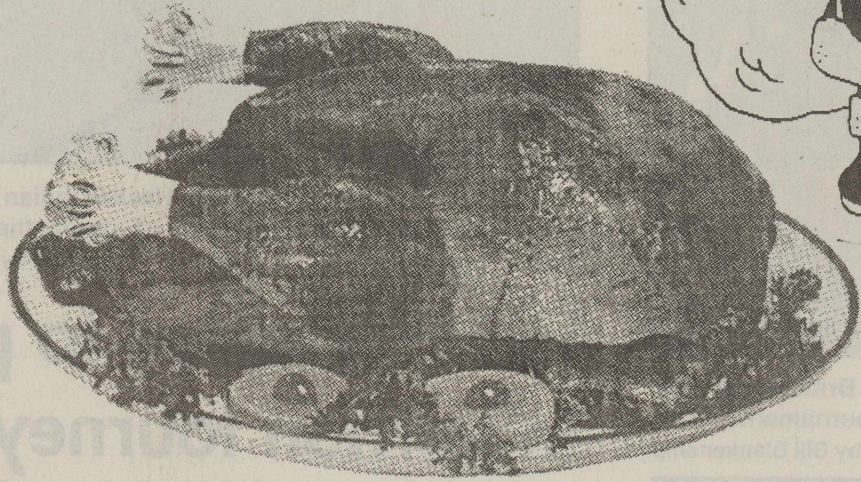
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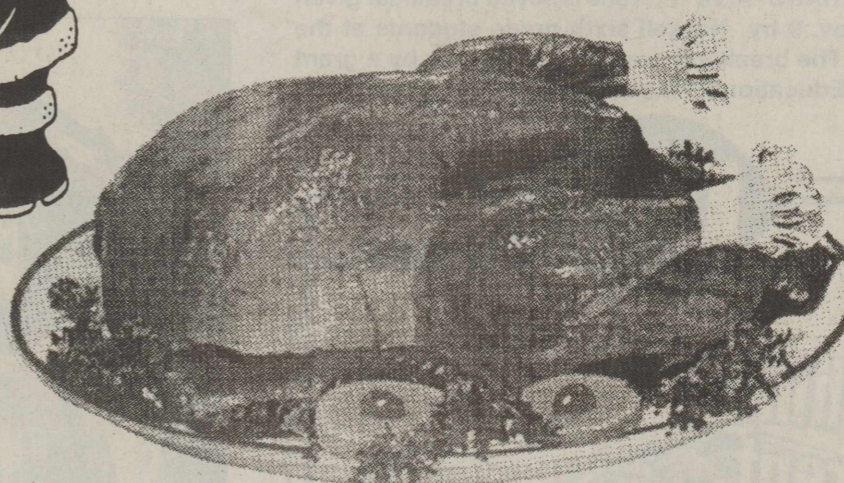
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HONORING VETERANS—Area veterans enjoyed breakfast given in their honor, Nov. 9 by Haskell sixth grade students at the school cafeteria. The breakfast was made possible by a grant from the Haskell Educational Foundation. Photo by Kis

Haskell Elementary salutes Veterans

In honor of veterans on Fri., Nov. 9, Haskell Elementary students participated in a flag raising ceremony conducted by members of the American Legion.

Haskell Elementary Principal, Jimmy Lisle, opened the ceremony, welcoming all veterans and students. Patriotic music was provided by a trumpet trio consisting of Clark Richardson, Trent Richardson and Ernest Palacios.

Presentation of the American flag was by Eric Markunas and Edward Benavides, members of Boy Scout Troop 136. County Judge David Davis and retired Lt. Col. W. L. Wolfe spoke to the students

regarding the history of the flag and the important part that our nation's veterans have so willingly given in order for us to live in a free, democratic country.

The ceremony continued with a 21 gun salute honoring all veterans, and concluded with everyone reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Following the flag raising ceremony, all the veterans were honored with a breakfast hosted by the sixth grade class in the school cafeteria, which was decorated in an array of patriotic red, white and blue. Approximately fifty-five veterans and forty-eight students enjoyed breakfast casserole, biscuits and fruit.

Moses Munoz welcomed the veterans, and Dr. Frank Cadenhead gave the invocation. Jackie Gadyr, Paige Wheatley, Derek Agraz, Lacey Peiser and Jennifer Farber concluded the program with various patriotic readings.

The sixth grade class expressed thanks to the veterans for attending, and to the Haskell CISD Educational Foundation for providing the funding for the event.



VETERANS SALUTE—Haskell veterans give a twenty-one gun salute during the flag ceremony before the breakfast served in their honor by Haskell Elementary sixth graders.



BREAKFAST WITH THE VETERANS—Haskell Elementary students Randall Pace, center, and Matt Reynolds, right, were among sixth graders honoring local veterans at a breakfast, Nov. 9. Pictured behind them are veterans J. L. Toliver and A. B. McDonald and student D. J. McCulloch. The breakfast was made possible by a grant from the Haskell CISD Educational Foundation.

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TSTC AWARD-WINNING TEAM—Members of the Texas State Technical College chapter of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers winning awards at the Region 11 state competitions in Arlington, were: back row, l-r, Tim Kidd, Dann Schantz, Lee Holsey, Jason Lowe, James Renner, Josh McIver, Pete Munoz, Alex Martinez, David Granados, Jason Shaw, Danny Johnson and Gary Rhoades, club advisor. Front row, Jacob Ballenger, Anthony Walden, Larry Price, Jason Burgard.

Shaw competes with TSTC SME Chapter in Arlington

The student chapter of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME) recently won several awards at the Region 11 tri-state conference and competition in Arlington. Fourteen students from Texas State Technical College West Texas, Sweetwater Campus, participated in the competition.

The students did well placing in every category. First place in Oral Presentation was awarded to Anthony Walden, Winters; second place for Written Report was awarded to Lee Holsey, Sweetwater and Larry Price, Odessa; and third place for Tabletop Display was awarded to the following students:

Jacob Ballenger, Sweetwater; Jason Burgard, Midland; David Granados, Plains; Lee Holsey, Sweetwater; Danny Johnson, San Angelo; Timothy Kidd, Sweetwater; Jason Lowe, San Angelo; Edith Marquez, Presidio; Alex Martinez, Coleman; Larry Price, Odessa; James Renner, Graham; Jason Shaw, Haskell; and Dann Schantz, Midland.

Shaw is the son of Randy and Lisa Shaw. Grandparents are A. M. and Wanda Stocks and Bill and Vivian Shaw, all of Haskell.

"The club is made up of students of all ages," said Gary Rhoades, club advisor and program chair for the Automation/Robotics Technology

program. "They worked well as a team, learning from each other, which helped them to be successful."

Region 11 is made up of twenty-three 2 and 4-year colleges and universities from Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Texas. The students from TSTC West Texas, Sweetwater Campus, competed against schools such as Texas A&M University, University of Texas-Pan Am, Oklahoma State University and Southwestern Oklahoma State University.

The students made the most of their time in the Metroplex. While there, they went to a tool show, attended a job fair and toured the Rubbermaid facilities.



SPECIAL OLYMPICS—Haskell athletes attending the Special Olympics, were: back row, l-r, Kevin Reed, Gilbert Doran, James Hurley and Chris Hollingsworth. Front row, Irene Ceniceros and Juanita Posey.

Haskell athletes compete at Childress track event

Special Olympics Texas hosted the first ever Childress Track events at Fair Park Stadium.

Special athletes from Childress, Seymour, Quanah, Vernon and Haskell competed for Olympic medals. Haskell athletes were Kevin Reed, Gilbert Doran, James Hurley, Chris Hollingsworth, Irene Ceniceros and Juanita Posey.

Special Olympics Texas is privately funded non-profit organization, which provides year round training and competition to over 21,000 adults and children with mental retardation and closely related disabilities. Special Olympics Texas is training for life for these athletes as participation enhances self-esteem, promotes independence,

strengthens families and facilitates social competence, while encouraging fitness.

Over 35 athletes representing four counties in the surrounding area competed in the groundbreaking event. The track activities include the 25, 50 and 100 meter run and softball throw.

Preparation minus panic equals protection

After the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, Americans began to question their own safety and how they could prepare for possible incidents in their communities.

Dr. Paul Pepe, chairman of emergency medicine at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, says preparation for any disaster, natural or otherwise, is the same.

"Be prepared to stay at home for

several days and be self-sufficient," Pepe says. "Keep a week's supply or more of bottled water just for consumption and additional water supplies for personal cleansing and hygiene. Keep a similar amount of pre-cooked canned goods and dry foods on hand, as well as extra blankets, a radio, flashlight and extra batteries."

"Plan as if you would have no water, electricity, heat, phones for

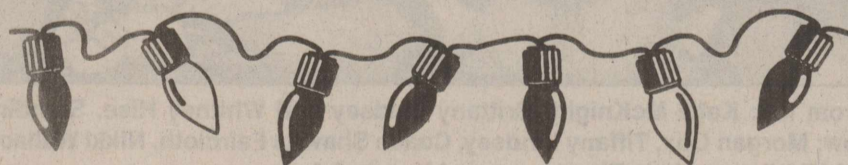
several days."

But the most important thing to do during any sort of disaster is not to panic.

"As hard as it may be, try to stay calm and do what public health officials ask in the event of a disaster," he says. "We've been preparing for all imaginable disasters for many years, and we can protect our fellow citizens better if they themselves are prepared."



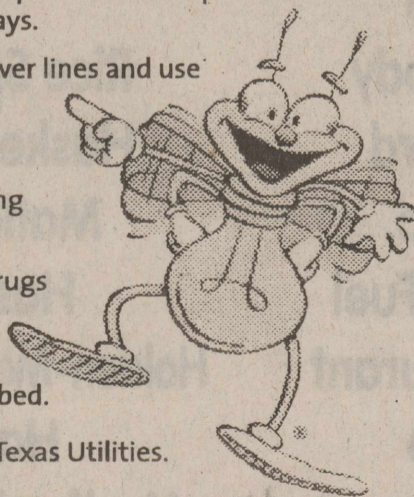
STUDENTS READING TO STUDENTS—Haskell Elementary second grader Mackenzie Thomas, left, listens to fifth grader Paige Adams, and Kelli Ozuna, center, listens to Will Brueggeman as they read to them during National Book Week. The fifth graders shared books they wrote and published.



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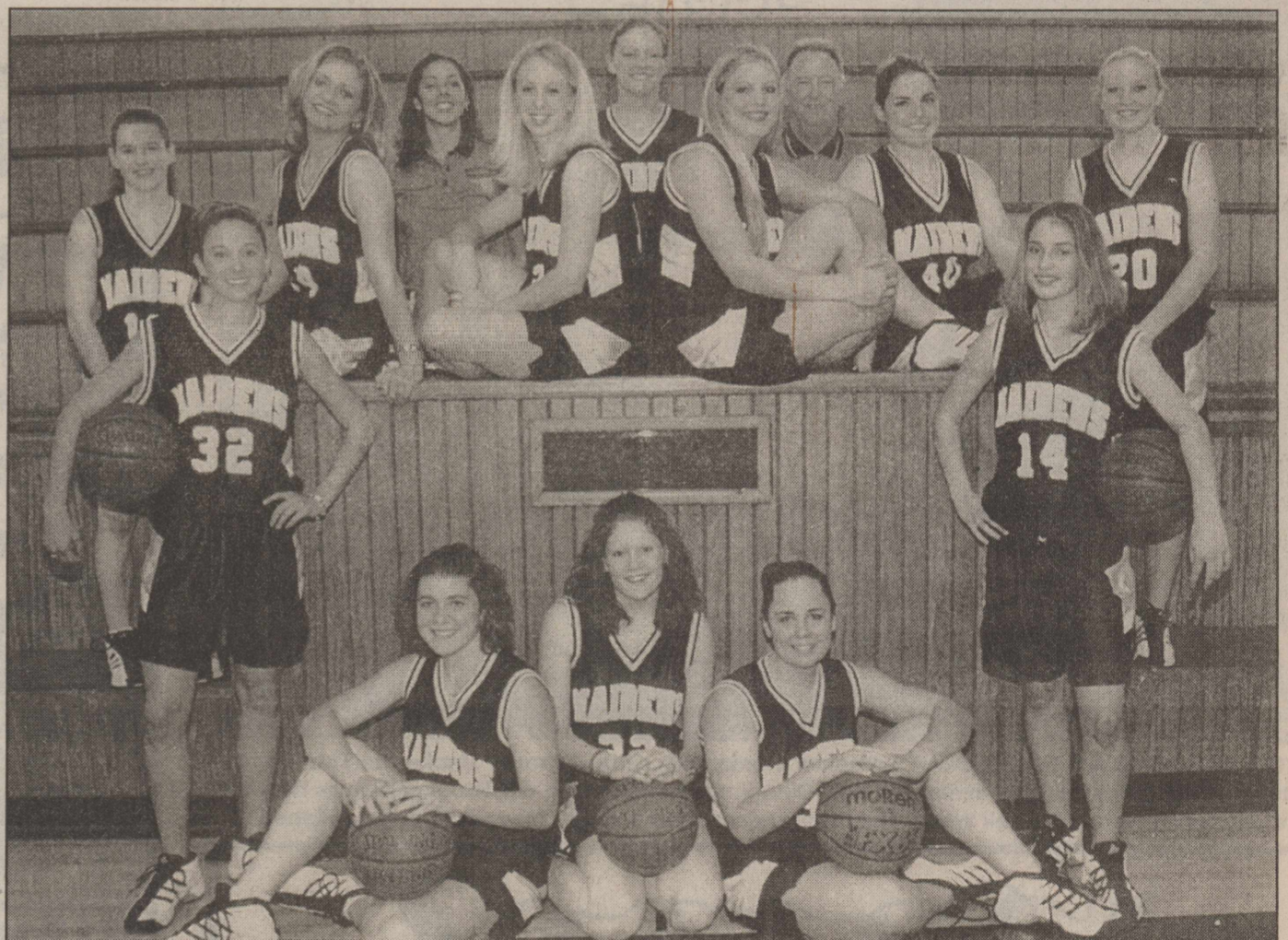


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HASKELL MAIDENS: Front row from left: Katie McKnight, Brittany Lindsey and Whitney Hise. Standing: Lynzie Harlan and Calina Kendall. Back row: Morgan Cox, Tiffany Lindsey, Coach Shawna Faircloth, Nikki Wallace, Melissa Buerger, Mindy Price, Coach David Middleton, Katie Thompson and Mandy Adams.

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LAUREN WHITELEY

Whiteley receives superior rating

Lauren Whiteley, a second grade student at Holliday, recently competed in the Midwestern State University Fall Music Festival. A second year piano student at Bail Piano Studio, she played two pieces, including "This Land is Your Land," and received a Superior rating on both.

Earlier this year, Lauren took her music theory test, receiving a 101%. In addition to her music she is involved in church activities, soccer and YMCA basketball. A Christmas recital has been scheduled for her at Midwestern University. As a member of the Holliday team in Storytelling, she will be competing at Electra.

Lauren is the daughter of Lisa Whiteley of Wichita Falls and Christopher Whiteley of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. She is the granddaughter of Sara Jones and the late Bill Jones. Vivian Roberson of Haskell is her great grandmother.

Certification program offered by Region 14

Applications for the Region 14 Education Service Center's 2002-03 Alternative Certification Program for certification of special education teachers will be accepted from Dec. 3, 2001 to Feb. 22, 2002.

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Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 275 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., Dec. 1, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

Steady on all classes. Short run due to snow. 250 cows this week consigned for Dec. 7 sale.

Jersey, longhorns, Holsteins, cripples, bad eyes, knots, \$5-\$30/100# less than figures quoted!

Cows: fat, .32-.37; cutters, .36-.44; canners, .20-.31.

Bulls: bologna, .45-.52; feeder: 70-76; utility: 42-47.

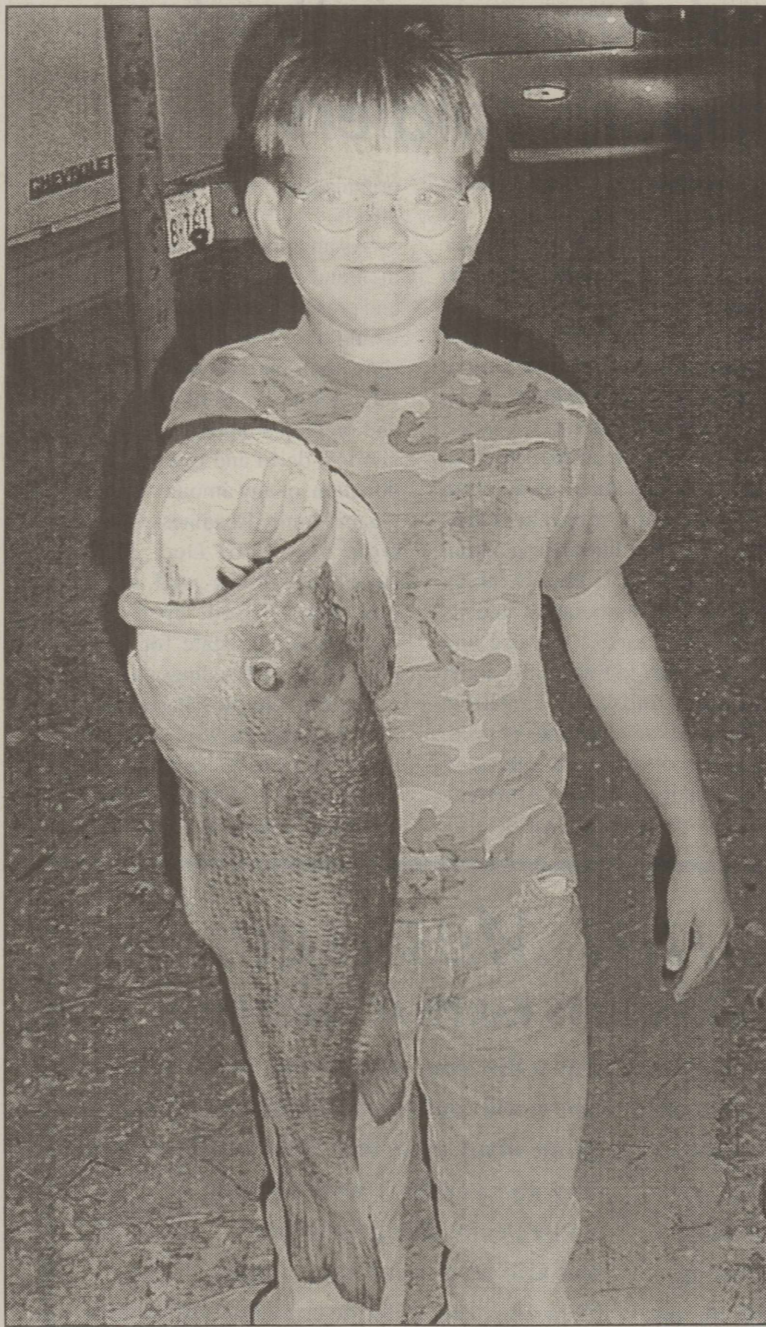
Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.20-1.40; 300-400 lbs., 1.05-1.20; 400-500 lbs., .95-1.12; 500-600 lbs., .84-.97; 600-700 lbs., .78-.90; 700-800 lbs., .72-.79; 800-up lbs., .65-.75.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.00-1.25; 300-400 lbs., .92-1.05; 400-500 lbs., .87-.97; 500-600 lbs., .78-.90; 600-up lbs., .62-.77.

Bred Heifers: medium frame, 525-625.

Bred Cows: young to middle aged, 600-700; aged or small 450-575.

Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, 750-875; aged or small, 650-725.



BIG BASS—Andrew Sammons, son of Steve and Paula Sammons of Haskell, proudly shows off a 10 pound bass he caught on a rod and reel at Miller Creek, Oct. 27.

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You are invited to join Management & Training Corporation (MTC) representatives at the job fair in Haskell, Texas.

Location:

Haskell National Bank Community Room
 601 South First Street, Haskell, Texas

Dates:

Tuesday, December 11, 2001 - 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
 Wednesday, December 12, 2001 - 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.

What to Bring:

Employment applications will be available, and are required for employment with MTC. Resumes are also appreciated.

MTC is looking forward to operating the Rolling Plains Regional Jail, with a projected opening in February, 2002. MTC is a leader in operating education-and rehabilitation-oriented prisons throughout North American and Australia. MTC will have excellent opportunities, salaries and benefits, and positions available in the following areas:

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We look forward to seeing you soon!



SNOW CONE WEATHER?—A. J. Shaw took this photo in Haskell, Nov. 28, showing a landscape seemingly out of sync with the season and the freezy fruit sweets offered by a local business.

November sales tax receipts show slight increase

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander has announced that she has sent \$291.9 million in local sales tax revenue to 1,113 Texas cities and 119 counties. November sales tax allocations are up 3.6 percent compared to November 2000. The allocations represent sales tax collected in September by monthly filers and in July, August and September by quarterly filers.

However, Rylander said if it had not been for changes in sales tax law and application, the biggest of which was new or increased sales taxes in 46 local jurisdictions, September 2001 sales tax collections would have been almost identical to September 2000 sales tax revenue. Thirty-eight cities, one county and seven special purpose districts either imposed new sales tax or increased their sales tax rates since last September.

"These local sales tax figures

confirm, even more strongly, what our state sales tax figures showed last week. The September 11 terrorist attacks reduced sales tax collections for a few days, but we bounced back," Comptroller Rylander said.

"For a few days in September, people stayed home and watched TV and worried about the world situation," Comptroller Rylander said. "But confident, resilient, defiant Texans soon returned to living our lives and conducting our business as usual. The November sales tax rebates sent to Texas communities on Friday reflected a slower Texas economy, but a minimal overall impact from the events of September 11."

November sales tax rebates include \$271.1 million to Texas cities, up 3.7 percent compared to November 2000. Texas counties received rebates of \$20.8 million, up

3.3 percent compared to a year ago. Year-to-date, sales tax rebates to cities and counties are up 5.1 percent compared to 2000.

Haskell County had a 7.43 percent increase for November, 2001 of \$42,579.09 in comparison to \$39,631.18 for November 2000. 2001 payments to date of \$328,436.65 reflect a 9.09 percent increase over 2000 payments to date of \$301,066.23.

The City of Haskell had a 8.75 percent increase for November, 2001 of 37,815.62 in comparison to 34,771.87 for November, 2000. 2001 payments to date of 303,727.63 reflect a 9.93 percent increase over 2000 payments to date of 276,282.12.

The City of O'Brien had a 52.15 percent decrease for November, 2001 of 266.72 in comparison to 557.42 for November, 2000. 2001 payments

to date of 1,210.77 reflect a 12.32 percent decrease over 2000 payments to date of 1,380.96.

The City of Rochester had a 1.43 percent decrease for November, 2001 of 1,034.27 in comparison to 1,049.31 for November, 2000. 2001 payments to date of 6,098.97 reflect a 7.88 percent decrease over 2000 payments to date of 6,621.15.

The City of Rule had a 0.83 percent increase for November, 2001 of 2,894.82 in comparison to 2,870.73 for November, 2000. 2001 payments to date of 15,121.40 reflect a 5.00 percent increase over 2000 payments to date of 14,400.61.

The City of Wienert had a 48.66 percent increase for November, 2001 of 567.66 in comparison to 381.85 for November, 2000. 2001 payments to date of 2,277.88 reflect a 4.34 percent decrease over 2000 payments to date of 2,381.39.

Community Calendar

Children's parade

A children's Christmas parade will be held Sat., Dec. 8 at 2 p.m. in Rule. The parade is open to Pre-kindergarten through fifth grades. Prizes will be awarded. For information call Maxine Herttenberger at 997-2324 or 997-2428.

Rule lighting contest

The Rule Chamber is sponsoring a Home and Yard Lighting Contest. To enter call the Rule City Hall 997-2214 and give you name and address. Judging will be Thurs., Dec. 20. Prizes will be awarded.

Lodge meeting

The Sons of Hermann Lodge meeting will be held Sun., Dec. 9 at the Irby Hall. The hall will open at 2 p.m. The meeting begins at 3 p.m. Turkey and dressing will be furnished for the meal. Those attending should bring side dishes, desserts and prizes for bingo.

Social Security

A representative from the Social Security Administration will be in Haskell at the old City Hall annex, 305 N. 1st, Thurs., Dec. 6 at 9:30 a.m.

Study Club

The Progressive Study Club will meet Thurs., Dec. 13 at 7 p.m. at the Haskell National Bank Community Room for a progressive Christmas dinner at member's homes. Those attending should bring a gift-filled shoe box to be distributed to children around the world.

Sr. 4-H Club

The Haskell Sr. 4-H Club will hold their Christmas Party and meeting Sun., Dec. 9 at 3 p.m. at the Haskell Co. Extension Office. 4-H'ers are to bring a gift of \$5 or less in value for a gift exchange. Refreshments will be served.

Art Association

The Brazos West Art Association will meet for a Christmas Party Mon., Dec. 10 at 7 p.m. at the Haskell National Bank Community Room. Those attending should bring a handmade gift to exchange. Toys will be collected for Goodfellows.

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