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Calendar

Early deadline

Deadline for ads and articles to be printed in the Dec. 27 New Year's edition of the Haskell Free Press will be Thurs., Dec. 20 at noon. The paper's will be in the stores on Wed., Dec. 26 and in the mail to regular subscribers on Thurs., Dec. 27. Deadline for ads and articles to be printed in the Jan. 3 edition will be Thurs., Dec. 27 at noon.

Donations needed

The Haskell County Child Welfare Board is a nonprofit organization which helps the needy children of Haskell County and educates the public. The Board's goal is awareness of child abuse and neglect that exists in Haskell County. Help is also provided to necessities for children and their families throughout the year and to help buy clothes and toys for needy children at Christmas. The Board is accepting tax-deductible donations, or memorials to be set up for loved ones, to help finance its goal. Donations may be mailed to Haskell County Child Welfare Board, P. O. Box 817, Haskell, Texas 79521.

Goodfellows

Goodfellows will be accepting donations for their annual Christmas program. 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.

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 your name and address. Judging will be Thurs., Dec. 20. Prizes will be awarded.

Rule ISD early out

Rule ISD will run morning buses at regular time Thurs., Dec. 20. Thurs., Dec. 20 afternoon buses will depart at 12:25 p.m. Christmas holidays for the school system will be Dec. 21 through Jan. 6. Classes will resume Jan. 7.

Fund for Ginny Kloog

A medical expense fund for Ginny Kloog has been established at Haskell National Bank.

Angel food

The Haskell Soup Kitchen will be held Thurs., Dec. 27 and Fri., Dec. 28 at the Haskell Elementary Cafeteria from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Everyone is invited to come eat a wram, healthy meal and enjoy visiting with friends and neighbors. Carry outs will be available for shut-ins by calling the Experienced Citizens Center at 864-3875. The meal is funded by donations from Souper Sunday so there is no charge to anyone. This event is sponsored by Haskell CISD and Haskell Co. Commissioners Court.

Christmas eve service

The First United Methodist Church in Haskell will hold their annual Christmas Eve candles and communion service Dec. 24 at 6 p.m. in the church sanctuary. Everyone is welcome.

Christmas eve service

Trinity Lutheran Church in Haskell will hold a Christmas Eve candlelight service at the church at 11 p.m. Dec. 24.

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Merry Christmas

The Haskell Free Press

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FFA Junior Skills team wins State contest



FFA SKILLS TEAM-The Haskell FFA Greenhand Skills Team holds their banner after winning first place in the State competition. Pictured front, l-r, are Ronald Chapman, Austin Coker and Brad Blanks. Back: FFA State Vice-president and James Bevel and Kenny Cockerell of Haskell CISD.

Jud fireworks display set Dec. 31

The third annual W. E. Hollingsworth Memorial Fireworks display will be held Mon., Dec. 31. Traditionally held at midnight, this year's event will begin at 9:00 p.m. at the Hollingsworth farm between Rule and Rochester. It is located five miles west of Hwy. 6 at the intersection of FM 2407 and County Road 146. The fireworks will be on the west side of County

Road 146 on thirty acres of land prepared for the event. Parking along FM 2407 for a mile east of the County Road will again provide a prime view of the fireworks display.

The annual event was started by Jim Hollingsworth in honor of his grandfather, Williams Edward Hollingsworth, who told him in 1944 about celebrating the turn of

the century in 1899. The idea of the celebration began in the heart of the five-year-old boy who was heartbroken when his grandfather died, that his beloved granddad would not be with him to witness the new century on New Year's Eve, 1999. He vowed to celebrate in honor of his grandfather nevertheless.

The story was picked up by area newspapers and triggered response among area grandparents. The older generation brought their grandchildren to witness the fireworks party Jim Hollingsworth threw in honor of his grandfather's memory, a half century after their talk. It is estimated that the small but close-knit Jud community, population 25, swells to hundreds of people on New Year's Eve.

Jim Hollingsworth and assistant, Danny Ashley will set off the fireworks, beginning at 9:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to come view the display.

Goodfellows fund running behind

The Haskell Goodfellows organization, sponsored by the Haskell Lions Club, will deliver boxes to needy families on Dec. 24, as they have done for many years. Traditionally, donations of cash, food, toys and clothing have made it possible for them to brighten the Christmas of many. This year, families have signed up for the boxes.

In the last nine years, the average total cash donation has been \$1,590.31. However, this year, to date, the fund is experiencing a drop in the amount of donations received for the worthy cause. As of Mon., Dec. 21, last year, a total of \$747.00 had been received. As of Mon., Dec. 17, this year, a total of

\$645.00 had been received. By comparison, on this same week in 1998, the total was \$1,175.00, and in 1999 the total stood at \$1,264.60. Last year's complete total was \$1,350.00. A decline in the total donations will sharply curtail the Goodfellows future projects.

Last year fifty boxes were delivered to approximately 67 adults and 62 children. This year about 50 families have signed up for the boxes. These will be screened for eligibility. Donations to the Goodfellows may be made at the Haskell Free Press Office, or mailed to the Goodfellows, c/o P.O. Box 555, Haskell, 79521.

Goodfellows Donations

The Haskell Goodfellows, sponsored by the Haskell Lions Club, are accepting donations for Christmas boxes to be distributed to needy families this holiday season. Boxes will be delivered on Dec. 24 to those who have been selected to receive them. Donations of food, toys and clothing are being accepted. Cash donations may be sent to The Haskell Free Press, P. O. Box 555, Haskell, TX 79521.

Business Men's Bible Class, First Baptist Church	\$50.00
American Legion Auxiliary, Rogers-Cox Post	\$50.00
Modern Way	\$100.00
Friendly Fellows Class, First United Methodist Church	\$50.00
Anonymous	\$20.00
Previous total	\$375.00
Total this week	\$270.00
Total	\$645.00

Haskell High School FFA completed a successful leadership season, with a winning Greenhand Skills team comprised of Brad Blanks, Ronald Chapman and Austin Coker. The team took second place in the Jr. Skills contest, and first place in both the Area and State Jr. Skills contests. The state contest was held at Sam Houston State University.

Other results of the local FFA participation in District and Area Leadership Contests were:

Senior Skills team: Ross Bullinger, B. J. Opsahl and Wendy Proctor, took first place in District and fourth place in Area.

Agriculture Issues team: Cliff McGuire, Ryan Burgess, T. J. Yates, Heath McCulloch and Chase Cockerell, placed fourth in District.

Radio team: Sydney Brueggeman, Taylor Seelke and Melissa Buerger, placed first in District and fourth in Area contests.

Angel Pena placed fifth in the

District Senior Creed contest.

Junior Creed team: Suzie Skinner and Samantha Pedroza placed fourth in District and sixth in Area.

Public Relations team: Monica Buerger, James Markey, Brandon McClatchey, Albert Palacios and Josh Tidrow placed fourth in District.

Junior Quiz team was comprised of Laura Baxter, Amy Pena, Cushena Dever, Tara McCarty, Ana Benevides, Julio Solano-Guerra, Adria Stephens and Tiffany Campbell.

Senior Quiz team was comprised of Amanda Guadalucazar, Nikki Wallace, Jenny Goudeau and Tara McCarty.

Junior Chapter Conducting team: Ramon Cuellar, John Dulaney, Calina Kendall, Shanna Mayes, Alexis Reed, Andrew Silvas, Whitney Wallace and Brianna Wheatley took fourth place in the District contest.

Final Jackpot drawing to be held Sat., 3 p.m.

The last drawings for six Haskell Chamber of Commerce Merchants Committee giant jackpots is set for 3:00 p.m. Sat., Dec. 22 at the gazebo on the northeast corner of the courthouse square. A total of \$1,250.00 will be given in the jackpots.

Tickets are being given to customers at local businesses. All

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

If not present at the drawings, the winner will receive one half of the prize. The remaining half will be used to make up additional prizes. Prizes will be given in the form of gift certificates, redeemable at participating businesses.

Christmas poster winners

Winners in the Rule Chamber of Commerce Children's Christmas Poster contest were:

Pre-Kindergarten: Luis Diaz
Kindergarten: first place, Lizzy Ewing; second place, Michael Perez; third place, Devan Zepeda.

First Grade: first place, Clay Morrow; second place, Heather Flores; third place, tie, Clarissa Valencia and Darryl Williams.

Second Grade: first place, Kymbre Kupatt; second place, Ty Rhoads; third place, tie, Jacob Perez

and Elizabeth Camacho.

Third Grade: first place, Allison Petty; second place, Stephanie Threet; third place, Rosa Nieto.

Fourth Grade: first place, Lorena Diaz; second place, Sonya Camacho.

All first place winners received \$5.00, second place winners \$3.00, and third place winners \$2.00. Ribbons were placed on the winning posters. The posters will be on display in downtown Rule.

Bullinger is new councilman

In a regular meeting of the Haskell City Council, Mon., Dec. 10, Dale Bullinger was appointed to fill the vacant council seat.

After discussion, the Council approved the closing of unused North 6th Street between Ave. D East and Ave. H. West. Closed to traffic, it will remain open for utilities use.

The purchase the Gulf Oil

property belonging to Biggon Drinnon was approved by the Council. The city is in the process of clearing the block of land.

In a called meeting of the Council, Dec. 13, Dale Bullinger was sworn in as new council member, and Ruby Turner was selected to replace Fred Hernandez as mayor pro tem.

No further meetings of the City Council are planned until January.



AT THE JOB FAIR-Brenda Nichols and Derek Brown, human resources managers with Management and Training Corp. of Centerville, Utah, were on hand in Haskell to assist about 299 applicants seeking employment with the locally owned Rolling Plains Regional Jail, which is nearing completion in Haskell.

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Garden Club

The Haskell Garden Club met Thurs., Dec. 13 for a Christmas progressive luncheon, beginning with appetizers in the home of Melyn Wittenborn. Salads were enjoyed in the home of Sharon Lusk, and the main course was served in the home of Jo Ann Grant.

Christmas decorations were enjoyed and ideas were shared at each of the homes before the group assembled back at the Haskell National Bank Community Room for dessert and a short business meeting.

Members attending were Bennie Shelton, Sue Hertel, Melyn Wittenborn, Florence Alexander, Erna Peiser, Mary Kammenga, Margie Dorner, Grace Hannsz, Sharon Lusk, Jo Ann Grant, Hazel Hale, Betty LeFevre, Melba Lowrance and Frances Bowen.

The next meeting of the club will be Thurs., Jan. 10, at the Haskell National Bank Room.



FFA DISTRICT OFFICERS—Elected as officers of the Double Mountain District for 2002, are: 1-r, Treasurer, Ross Short, Rochester; Vice-president, Kyla Hoover, Aspermont; Parliamentarian, Adria Wendeborn, Stamford; Secretary, M'Lyn Lehmann, Rule; President, Chase Cockerell, Haskell; Sentinel, Cody Ethridge, Rotan; Chaplain, Cassie Moore, Anson; Historian, Tyler Shields, Anson and Reporter, Tabitha Bennefield, Jayton.

District FFA officers elected

The Double Mountain District held its annual FFA banquet, Mon., Dec. 10 at the Haskell Civic Center, with 178 people present representing 12 schools from the district.

Elected as the new National FFA candidate from the district was T. J. Lewis of Anson. Ashley Nehring of Anson was elected the new candidate for State FFA, and Amanda Hooten, also of Anson,

was elected the new Area II candidate.

New district officers elected for the coming year are: President, Chase Cockerell, Haskell; Vice-president, Kyla Hoover, Aspermont; Secretary, M'Lyn Lehmann, Rule; Treasurer, Ross Short, Rochester; Reporter, Tabitha Benningfield, Jayton; Sentinel, Cody Ethridge, Rotan; Chaplain,

Cassie Moore, Anson; Historian, Tyler Shields, Anson; Parliamentarian, Adria Wendeborn, Stamford.

Ten teams participated in the Talent Show. Selected as the top four teams were: first, Caleigh Beauchamp, Rochester; second, Trevor Ward, Aspermont; third, Zach Greenlee, Rotan; fourth, Ross Bullinger, Haskell.

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Take precautions in cold weather

Cold weather can create deadly problems that many in the state are not used to dealing with, especially following months of comfortably warm temperatures, according to the Texas Department of Health (TDH).

Hypothermia, the severe or prolonged loss of body heat, begins when a person's body temperature falls below 95 degree F. Because the temperature drop may be gradual and an early symptom of hypothermia is mental confusion, the victim may not know there is a problem. And health officials warn that vulnerable people can die from cold weather.

People 60 and older may not perceive or respond to cold as readily as younger people because the body's natural alarm signal—the reflex of shivering that increases blood flow—lessens with age. Some hypothermia victims die because they are simply unaware of gradual temperature changes.

And some people, especially the elderly on fixed incomes, may set their thermostats dangerously low for fear of high heating bills.

To reduce potential dangers:
*Watch for symptoms including confusion and drowsiness, slurred speech, a drop in blood pressure, shallow breathing and a pinkish tint to the skin. Anyone with these symptoms related to cold temperatures is in immediate danger.

*Check on elderly or ill people, especially if they live alone or in isolated areas.

*Wear loose-fitting clothing in layers, gloves and a face cover to block the wind if you must be outside. Stay dry.

*Be extremely cautious in the wind. A strong wind, even in only moderately cool weather, can cause a wind chill far below freezing.

*Take extra precautions with those most vulnerable.

Winter storms may cause power outages, and food safety becomes a problem along with heating. If you lose power for more than four hours, take the following precautions with refrigerated food products.

*Keep refrigerator and freezer closed as much as possible.

*Discard any potentially hazardous foods such as meats, dairy products and leftovers that may have exceeded 45 degrees F. When in doubt, throw it out.

*Any frozen food that has thawed but not exceeded 45 degrees F. should be prepared as soon as possible. Do not re-freeze.

TDH officials warn that no one at any age should underestimate weather changes and should dress appropriately. Not only can wind chill cause rapid heat loss from the body, but it can also cause frostbite—actual freezing of tissues.

Obituaries

Mrs. Thelma Inez Williamson

Funeral services for Mrs. Thelma Inez Williamson, 91, of Haskell were held Thurs., Dec. 13 at First Baptist Church of Haskell with Rev. Kevin Hall, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Knox City Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Williamson died Tues., Dec. 11 at Haskell Memorial Hospital.

Born March 30, 1910 in Erath County, she married C. J. Williamson Feb. 6, 1939 in Weinert. He preceded her in death Dec. 23, 1993. She was a housewife and member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include one son, Joe Williamson of Haskell; one daughter, Glenda Therwhanger of Fort Worth; one sister, Earmal Bevel of Haskell; and three grandchildren.

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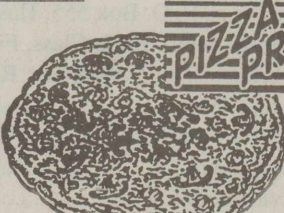
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Quades to be installed Jan. 13

Dean and Patsy Quade will both graduate from the Parish Lay Ministry Academy Jan. 12. The Parish Lay Ministry Academy is a program under the auspices of the Northern Texas-Northern Louisiana Synod, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. The two-year program trains laity to assist congregations in the areas of worship, catechism, Sunday School, prayer, spiritual direction, evangelism, pastoral care and social ministry.

Dean and Pat have both served in their own congregation of Faith Lutheran Church, Sagerton and Trinity Lutheran of Haskell, where they have held worship services

jointly with retired Rev. Stan Leaf. Graduation and commissioning services will be Jan. 12, at 4:00 p.m., at Calvary Lutheran Church, 7620 Baker Blvd., Ft. Worth. The Rev. Dr. Kevin S. Kanouse, Bishop of the Northern Texas-Northern Louisiana Synod will preside at the graduation. Preaching at the graduation will be The Rev. Dr. Susan Rodriguez.

Installation services will be held Jan. 13, as part of the Sunday Morning Services of Faith Lutheran Church, Sagerton, at 10:30 a.m. Bishop Kevin Kanouse and Pastor Deborah Nissen, Pastor of Faith Lutheran, will be conducting this service.

Study Club collects gifts for children

Twenty-three members of the Progressive Study Club of Haskell met Thurs., Dec. 13, each bringing gift-filled shoeboxes for children ages 4-14. The Operation Christmas Child boxes will be distributed by the Haskell Child Welfare Board during the holidays.

Traveling in car caravan, the group enjoyed a progressive dinner, beginning with appetizers at the home of Shirley Reed, followed by the main course at the home of Linda Lane-Bloise, and ending with

dessert at the home of Ruby Turner. All of the homes were beautifully lighted and decorated.

During the evening, Franciene Johnson led the singing of Christmas carols and gave a reading of an inspirational Christmas story.

Members answered roll call by telling a favorite Christmas they have had.

Hostesses for the meeting were Shirley Reed, Linda Lane-Bloise, Ruby Turner, Nelda Lane, Julia Harrell and Erma Liles.

Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Ron and Pam Opitz and Tracy Mathis hosted a Christmas dinner Sat. night in their beautiful decorated home. Those attending were Tenille Mathis and Jeff Williams of Stephenville, Cam and Wade and son, Tyler, King of Dublin; Bryce Huggins and Wilbert and Dwanna Klose. Before dinner the group visited Mom Maw Mrs. Mack Matthews at the Haskell Healthcare Center. Sunday noon the groups were guests of Wilbert and Dwanna Klose.

Visiting with Fannie Mae Barton on Sunday was her niece, Barbara Kevil of Lubbock. They went to the Branding Iron for lunch.

Mr. and Mrs. Glendon Hawkins visited his mom, Joyce, on Friday morning.

Visiting with Wayne Walters on Sun. was his son, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Walters of Abilene.

Brian and Tamera and son, Dakota, of Irving were here over the weekend to be with the family of his Great-grandmother Minnie Hearn. They also visited her mother Charlene Hawkins.

On Dec. 19-24 Tracy Mathis, a senior in Haskell High School, will be in Honolulu, Hawaii, where she will participate in Holiday on Parade. Tracy is a NCA all American Cheerleader. She will perform pre-

game and half-time at the 2001 Pearl Harbor Championship game.

Mathis is the daughter of Pam and Ron Opitz, granddaughter of Wilbert and Dwanna Klose, great granddaughter of Mrs. Mack Matthews.

Darlene and Danial Conn went with Cody Cochran and his mother of Aspermont to Burnett to visit Julie and Audre on Sat. While there they helped Audre celebrate her second birthday with a party. They returned on Sun. and brought Audre home with them for the rest of December.

On Monday, Tiny Vaughn of Anson came by Medford Buick to visit with niece, Margaret Tatum, on her way to Weinert to visit sister, Wanda Vojkufka and Ikey Earp of Pampa. On her way home she stopped by sister-in-law, Joyce for a visit.

Rule lighting contest set

The Rule Chamber of Commerce reminds those wishing to enter the Home and Yard Lighting Contest to call City Hall, 997-2214, to enter. There is no entry fee. After entering, turn on the lights. Judging will be Thursday evening, Dec. 20.

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Data Control Codes	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES		TOTALS (MEMORANDUM ONLY)	
	100-199	200-499	98	97
	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds	AUGUST 31, 2001	AUGUST 31, 2000
REVENUES:				
Local and Intermediate Sources:				
5742	Investment Income	\$36,388	\$0	\$36,388
	Other Local and Intermediate Sources	604,528	13,766	618,294
5700	Total Local and Intermediate Sources	\$640,916	\$13,766	\$654,682
5800	State Program Revenues	650,152	108,376	758,528
5900	Federal Program Revenues	0	59,330	59,330
5020	Total Revenues	\$1,291,068	\$181,472	\$1,472,540
EXPENDITURES:				
0010	Instruction and Instructional-Related Services	\$763,037	\$128,883	\$891,920
0020	Instruction and School Leadership	50,734	0	50,734
0030	Support Services - Student (Pupil)	160,141	79,281	239,422
0040	Administrative Support Services	100,506	0	100,506
0050	Support Services - Nonstudent Based	219,766	0	219,766
0060	Ancillary Services	0	0	0
0070	Debt Service	0	0	0
0080	Capital Outlay for School District Facilities	0	0	0
0090	Intergovernmental Charges	26,172	0	26,172
6030	Total Expenditures	\$1,320,356	\$208,164	\$1,528,520
1100	Excess (Deficiency) Revenues Over Expenditures	(\$29,288)	(\$26,692)	(\$55,980)
7020	Other Resources	0	26,081	26,081
8030	Other (Uses)	(26,081)	0	(26,081)
1200	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Resources Over Expenditures and Other Uses	(\$55,369)	(\$611)	(\$55,980)
0100	Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	436,826	611	437,437
1300	Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance	0	0	0
3000	Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$381,457	\$0	\$381,457

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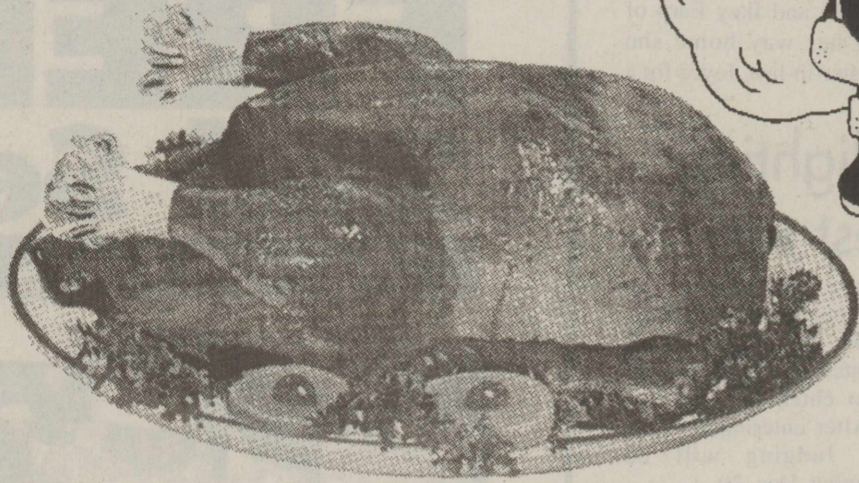
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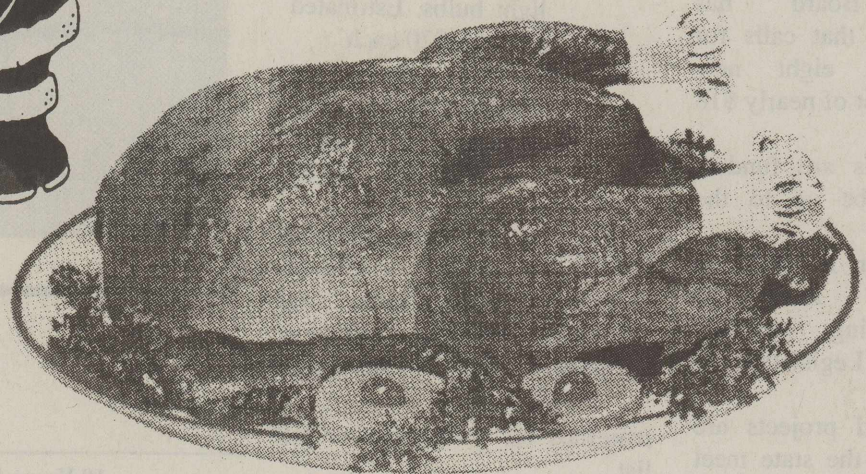
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OPINION



HIGHLIGHTS

By Mike Cox
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN - The Texas Water Development Board has approved a plan that calls for construction of eight new reservoirs at a cost of nearly \$18 billion.

What projects are funded, and how, will be up to the Legislature.

The new plan is based on recommendations from 16 regional planning districts created by the Legislature in 1997.

The proposed projects are intended to help the state meet population growth and the resulting increased water demand.

Rural affairs names new director...

Robert J. "Sam" Tessen has been named as the first executive director of the newly created Office of Rural Community Affairs.

Tessen has been serving as executive director of the state Telecommunications Infrastructure Board. Prior to that, he was director of the Center for Rural Health Initiatives.

He'll assume his new position on Jan. 1.

The winner is...

For most creative press release recently received, the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs.

The press release urges Texans to "give the gift of energy efficiency this holiday season." It goes on to list commercially available energy saving devices with a retail price of \$30 or less.

So, if you're still doing your shopping, here are some ideas from TDHCA:

- Water heater jacket. (For your water heater, not Grandpa.) Estimated cost: \$14-\$25.
- Fiberglass pipe wrap. Estimated cost: \$3-\$5.
- Programmable thermostat. Estimated cost: \$26.

- Compact fluorescent light bulbs. Estimated cost: \$8-\$20 each.
- Finally, for that special someone, clear silicone sealant. Estimated cost: \$4-\$6 a tube.

If none of these stocking stuffers appeal, the commission suggests playing Santa and installing energy efficient equipment or weatherizing

materials for those on your gift list.

For more energy-saving gift ideas, check the commission's web site at www.tdhca.state.tx.us.

Speaking of efficiency

If you've been eating birthday cake for a number of years, you'll recall the days when even a little ice on roadways could paralyze a city.

Those days may not be over, but thanks to the Texas Department of Transportation, the REALLY bad days may be fewer in number.

A case in point was the November snow and ice storm that hit Texas.

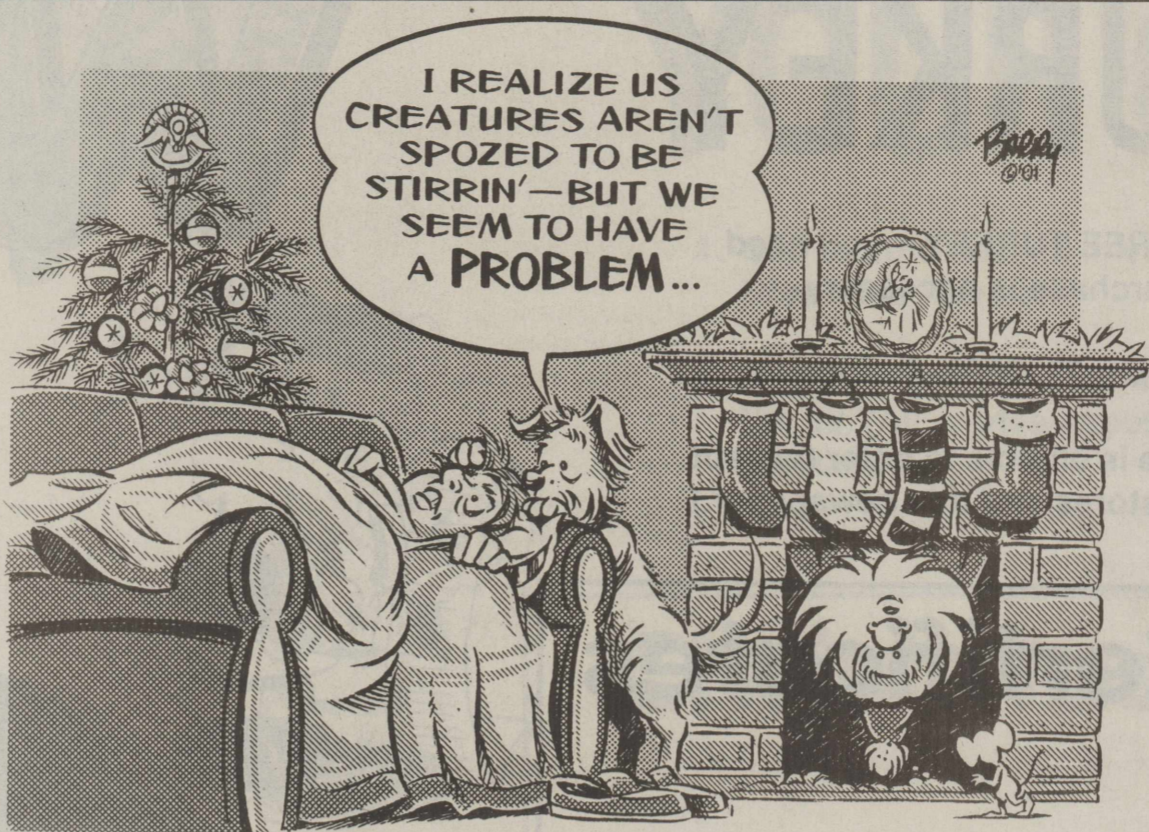
Austin, where motorists tend to start crashing their vehicles when someone accidentally drops a few ice cubes on I-35, was on the edge of the storm.

Ice came down, but it did not stick to any bridges or overpasses.

One reason was that the storm moved quickly. Another had to do with TxDOT and chemistry.

Used to be, all TxDOT could do was spread sand and salt on roadways. Now, the transportation agency puts down chemicals that prevent ice from forming in the first place.

Bottom line for Texas motorists: Safer roadways during ice storms, less damage to bridges from corrosion, lower costs in work crew stand-by time.



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From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago December 19, 1991

Football sweetheart and hero for Rule High School are Jana Saffel and Carlos Muniz.

Ann Sinclair presented her piano students in recital at Paint Creek Baptist Church. Appearing on the program were Hallee Walton, Amanda Crawford, Ashley Medford and Hattie Walton.

Haskell's JV Maidens took first place in the Knox City basketball tournament. Team members are Trece Burson, Kelly Nanny, Cynthia Rodriguez, Mary Esther Villarreal, Georgie Root, Heather Stewart, Shelly Stewart, Ovidia Guadalcazar, Antonia Anderson, Deanne Wallace and Heather Hobgood.

20 Years Ago December 17, 1981

The Haskell Maidens placed third in the Aspermont Tournament by defeating Rule 53 to 27. Emily Cox was selected all-tournament.

Special awards were presented to six Haskell firemen during the annual Christmas banquet. Chester Hodgins was presented a special award for service to the department as Assistant Chief and Fire Marshall. Service badges were presented to Don Comedy, Roy Trussell, Joe Cortez, B. J. Ray and Tommy Watson.

The Naomi Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met in the home of Dr and Mrs. Frank Cadenhead for their annual Christmas dinner.

30 Years Ago December 23, 1971

Five members of the Rule Bobcat football team were placed on the All-District 2-B football team. They are Don Hisey, Art Briles, Cole Turner, Jesse Macias and Bobby Ander.

Don Comedy has assumed the duties as editor and photographer of The Haskell Free Press.

Overall winners in the Haskell Garden Club Christmas Home Lighting Contest are Charles

McCauley, first, F. A. Karr, second; and Abe Turner, third.

40 Years Ago December 21, 1961

R. S. Sanders of Weinert has been appointed registrar for the Jones-Haskell-Shackelford county draft board in the Weinert area.

The annual Haskell County 4-H Club Steer show will be held in Haskell Dec. 29. The following 4-H members will exhibit steers: Ricky Perry, Paint Creek; Andy Gannaway, Haskell; Jack Hammer, Weinert; David Gannaway, Haskell; Judy Boone, Weinert; and R. A. Shaver III, Rochester.

Twelve members gathered at the home of Mrs. Henry Harris to enjoy a Christmas luncheon of baked ham, salads and desserts. A reading, based on the scripture Luke 3, was given by Mrs. John Wallace. Carols were sung with Mrs. Buck Callaway at the piano.

50 Years Ago December 20, 1951

Four McMurry students from Haskell are home for the Christmas holidays. The students are Anna Jean Roberts, Billy Adkins, Clyde Thomas and Nelda Vaughter.

Clyde Thomas, former Haskell High School athlete now enrolled at

McMurry College, is playing with the Freshmen Basketball team.

A group of talented Haskell High School girls gave a program of Christmas carols to the Lions Club. The girls are Ann McFarlin, Bessie Mae Chamberlain, Nancy McFarlin, Beulah Brady, Frances Mullins and Mary Ethel Mullins.

George Mullino and Morris Nanny, students at A&M, and Emma Jean Walton, Dan Michaels, Onroe Bell and William Porter, students at Texas Tech, are spending the Christmas holidays at home in Rochester.

90 Years Ago December 23, 1911

Helen McFatter visited her brother in Goree Sunday. She was accompanied home by her brother, Charles McFatter and Amanda McCann on the 6:40 train and the couple returned to Goree on the 9:15 train.

Patrick Henry of Wichita Falls spent Thursday in the city arranging for the Henry Business College opening here the first of the year.

William and W. F. Druessedow left Monday night for Corpus Christi. They are on a land deal and may invest in lands in that section.

Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 956 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., Dec. 15, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

Packer cattle steady. Stockers 1-2 higher. Feeders steady.

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

Cows: fat, .33-.38; cutters, .31-.39; canners, .20-.30.

Bulls: bologna, .44-.50; feeder: 68-75; utility: 40-45.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.15-1.40; 300-400 lbs., 1.05-1.20; 400-500 lbs., .95-1.10; 500-600 lbs., .82-.92; 600-700 lbs., .78-.90; 700-800 lbs., .75-.82; 800-up lbs., .65-.77.

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400 lbs., .85-1.05; 400-500 lbs., .80-.95; 500-600 lbs., .75-.85; 600-up lbs., .62-.80.

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Bred Cows: young to middle aged, 625-745; aged or small 475-600.

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Haskell Co. Gin Report

December 17, 2001

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Haskell Co-op Gin	1025
Haskell County Gin	713
O'Brien	
O'Brien Gin	12,246
Rule	
Rule Co-op Gin	1291
Sagerton	
Sagerton Gin	500
Weinert	
Griff's Gin	510
Weinert Gin	1340
Total Bales	17,625

New open container law in effect

As of Sept. 1, it is illegal in Texas to possess an open container of alcohol in a motor vehicle. House Bill 5, passed by the 77th Texas Legislature, makes it a Class C misdemeanor to possess an open container of alcohol in the passenger area of a motor vehicle which is on a public highway or the right-of-way adjacent to a public highway.

Under the new law, an "open container" is a bottle, can, or other receptacle that contains any amount of alcoholic beverage and that has been opened, that has a broken seal, or the contents of which are partially removed.

The "passenger area" is the area of a motor vehicle designed for the seating of the operator and passengers. It does not include a locked glove compartment or a similar storage container that is locked, the trunk of a vehicle, or the area behind the last upright seat of the vehicle if the vehicle does not have a trunk.

A "public highway" includes any public road, street, highway, interstate, or other publicly-maintained way if any part is open for public use for the purpose of motor vehicle travel.

The motor vehicle does not have to be moving for a violation to occur. Under the law, a person commits an open container offense by possessing an open container in the passenger area of a motor vehicle regardless of whether the vehicle is being operated or is stopped or parked. There is no exception for people who are passengers in a bus, taxi, or limousine; or who are in the living quarters of a motorized house coach or motorized house trailer, including a self-contained camper, motor home, or recreational vehicle.

House Bill 5 also strengthens the punishment for repeat DWI offenders. A second DWI conviction within five years of the first now requires a mandatory one-year suspension of the offender's driver's license. Upon reinstatement, the offender must have an ignition interlock device installed on his or her vehicle for an additional year. This device uses a breath analysis mechanism that renders the vehicle inoperable if ethyl alcohol is detected in the driver's breath.

The changes in the law brings Texas into compliance with federal open container laws and federal laws for repeat DWI offenders. The Texas Department of Public Safety has observed that in the majority of alcohol-related crashes, an open container is present. The new law is intended to help curb the problem of driving while intoxicated. "Alcohol and cars don't mix, period. The Legislature has given law-enforcement a much-needed open container law to help us drive that point home," said Col. Thomas Davis, Jr., director of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

ECC Menu and Calendar

ECC will be closed Dec. 24-27 and will reopen on Dec. 28.

Fri., Dec. 28

Lunch-Beef stew, tossed salad, cookie, pudding, milk, tea, or coffee.

Announcements will 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.

Births

Bridgett and John Mark Lopez of Oceanside, Calif. announce the birth of a daughter, Gabriella Faith Lopez, born Dec. 2 at 4:09 p.m.

Grandparents are Johnny and Rachel Silvas of Haskell and Janie and Manuel Gonzales of Rochester.

Hospital

Admissions

Leroy Casey, Rule
L.C. Johnson, Sr. Haskell

Dismissals

Margaret Bracker, Lavid Robertson, Tom Brueggeman, Zora Medford, Glynn Weaver, Cynthia Balthrop

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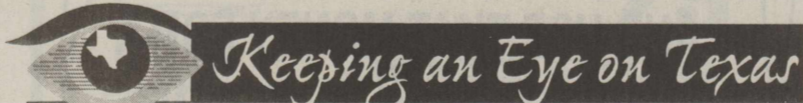
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Correction

Carolyn Gathings of Fort Worth is the cousin of Travis Solomon. Information appearing in a story in the Haskell Free Press on Dec. 6 was not correct.



New Fireworks Tax

Some holiday fireworks will cost Texans a little more money this season. As of October 1, 2001, fireworks retailers must collect a new 2 percent fireworks tax in addition to existing sales taxes.

The new tax applies to:

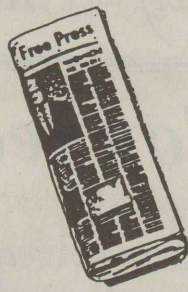
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- Rockets
- Roman Candles
- Fountains

For more information about the new fireworks tax, visit the Comptroller's Web site at

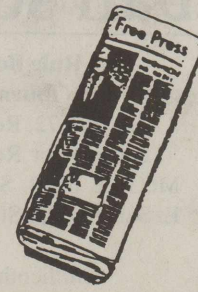
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Our sincere appreciation is also extended to Philip Martin for the beautiful songs performed during the church service, to the Masonic brethren for their performance at graveside and to Clark Richardson for his playing of Taps.

Please accept our most sincere gratitude.

The Family of John L. Pope

The family of Mrs. W. H. (Eunice) Amonett wants to express our sincere appreciation to our families, friends and neighbors for their prayers, thoughtfulness and expressions of sympathy during our time of sorrow.

Thanks for the good food that was prepared for us, the flowers, cards and memorials that were sent to us. Thanks to Bro. Dale Huff and Bro. Brett Anderson for their special words of comfort, the beautiful singing by the church choir, the special songs by Leona Davis and to everyone who gave her special care the last four years of her life at Rice Springs Care Home.

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Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like . . .

Dear Santa,
I have been a pretty good girl this year. I would like for you to bring me a Noah's Ark with the animals and a scooter. I also need a new VCR since my old one eats my movies. I will leave you some milk and cookies and a picture I have drawn for you. Merry Christmas.

I Love you,
Ashley Adams, 6 years old

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good girl this year. It is sometimes hard when you're 3. I would like for you to bring me some candy and a TV since everyone has one but me. I am sorry that I didn't want to take my picture with you when I went to see you. Maybe next year I will be ready. Merry Christmas.

I Love you,
Kylie Adams, 3 years old.

Dear Santa,
This is Crow Parham. The things I want for christmas is play tools, playcars, battery for my play jeep, New playland park ball pit, little turn up and go auto shop, and tractor and trailer. I'm 1 1/2 years and trying to be a really good boy. I'll leave something out for you and the reindeers to eat. Maybe popcorn and coke.

Love Crow

Dear Santa,
this is Andrea Anderson what I want for christmas is a 1. golf cart, 4 setter automatic, cup holder navy blue, please 2. skechers millenium 3. athletic pant 4. personality t-shirts (2 shirts) 5. disco dot blouse (silver) 6. 4 point skirt 7. boatrim top pink or white 8. flannel pant 9. Arizona Jean Co. 2 pc. pajamas (Angel) 10. Arizona Jean Co. Maribou slipper. I will have something waiting for you on the fireplace have fun delivering presants to all the other kids. Thanks.

Love Always,
Andrea Anderson

Dear Santa Claus,
Thank you for the presents you gave me last year. I have tried to be good this year too. For Christmas, I would like a puppy, a TV and VCR for my room, Barbie stuff and pretty clothes. My mom is happy and she doesn't want anything, but you might bring her something anyway. Please bring Grandmommy some antiques. I will leave cookies and milk for you.

Love,
Kelsey Strickland

Dear Santa,
My name is Natalie and I am 2 years old. I know that I have been a good girl this year because Grandma and Grandpa said so. I would like a big baby doll with lots of clothes to change her. I will leave you cookies and milk. I love you.

Realistic expectations help avoid holiday letdown

Realistic expectations can help you avoid a holiday letdown.

"Running from a party to a recital, to the mall to wrap up holiday shopping and then home can cause a great deal of stress," said Dr. Michael Cox, a clinical psychologist with Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

It's important to plan time to relax, exercise and socialize with those you love, especially young children. Simple activities like watching a holiday video, throwing the football, or baking cookies can create lasting memories.

The holidays are not a time to settle family differences. Try to avoid confrontations by not bringing up topics that will cause tension around the dinner table or when everyone gathers to open gifts. Also, keep the length of visits to a minimum. Overstaying your welcome to the point of imposing on family members can cause hurt feelings.

Cox also notes that spending enormous amounts of money on holiday items opens the door for marital spats. It's important for couples to sit down before the holiday season and map out a budget, detailing how much they can afford to spend and then stick to the budget.

Dear Santa,
My name is Daniel and I am 5 years old. I think that I have been pretty good this year. I would like a big remote control car from you. Please bring that big baby doll for my little sister Natalie, so that she will leave my car alone. We will leave cookies and milk for you.

Dear Santa,
I hope you get this letter, because I've been a really good girl this Christmas! Here's my list of things that I want from you; Dr. Dolittle 2 movie, Shrek movie, Barbie and the Nutcracker movie, and the Barbie doll. A Sugar Plum Princess mysized Barbie, clothes, leather boots, Pink Gameboy Advance with games, Bratz doll, and that's all for me. For my cousins I want them to have some toys and clothes also. We all have been really good boys and girls so please come and visit our homes with these gifts we asked for. I'll have some milk and cookies waiting for you!

Thanks again Santa
Love,
Dana Rodriguez

Dear Santa,
My name is Taylor Hunt. I am 3 years old. I try to be good. For Christmas I would like for you to bring me Robots and a big truck, Power Rangers, and boots, and other stuff. I will leave you some cheese and crackers.

Thank you Santa,
Taylor Hunt

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like anything Blues Clues or Barney. I love to watch movies and sing. A new baby to push around in my stroller would be good, too. Please remember my sisters because I like to play with their stuff, too. Peace on Earth for everyone.

Hollyn Hadaway
21 months

Dear Santa,
How are your reindeer doing? Are they set to go. I sure hope they are ready! I will have some cookies waiting for you and milk! Please don't forget to take the little boys and girls presents from all over the world. I think I've been a very good little girl. This year I would like to have a cute little puppy dog or cat that is house broken. I would like to get a cool 7 in 1 fozze ball table. I plan to stay up all night and wait for you to come to my house down the jimney.

Merry Christmas!
Lauren Whiteley of (Holliday)

Dear Santa,
What I want for Christmas is a Barbie Slug Bug Car that is blue, an ice cream maker, stickers, Barbie clothes, an Aaron Carter Barbie, expo markers and finally a Krissy playset.

Love,
Ashlee Short

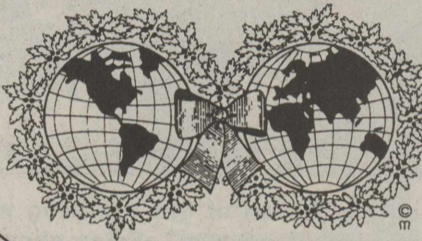
Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a laptop that can e-mail, a Barbie Grand Hotel, a Pixter, dress-up clothes, Texas Tech shirt, Texas Tech pom-pom's, Texas Tech tattoos. Please give everyone in the world a present. Please remember by sisters, too.

Carson Hadaway
7 years old

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a Barbie Grand Hotel, a Pixter, any games for my Gameboy, a Rudolph red doll, an Angelica car, any learning games, some new movies, a baton, and anything Texas Tech. Please remember my sisters, too. Peace on Earth for everyone.

Reagan Hadaway
5 years old

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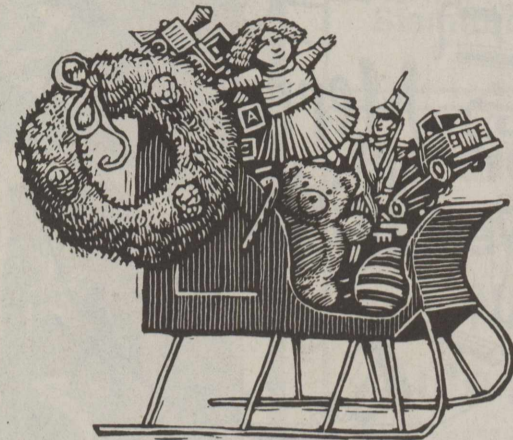
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Dear Santa, please bring me a . . .

Dear Santa,
For Christmas, I'd love to have one of your flying reindeers. I'd also like a swimming pool. My Mom says "no way," but I know you Santa! You can do anything. If you can't though, I'd like a Jimmy Neutron Playstation CD, a new game, and a guitar with a microphone. I love you Santa and we'll have snacks for you and your reindeer. Thanks! Oh and if you can come up with two front teeth for me, that would be great too.
Shelton Toliver
age 6

Dear Santa,
I would like a Playstation 2, Nascar Thunder 2002 for Playstation 2, Gameboy Advance, Mario Super circuit for Gameboy Advance and Mario Tennis for Nintendo 64. Thanks. Don't forget about Josh J., Garrett and Collin.
Love you,
Conner Crisp
Allen, Texas
Age 9
P.S. If I'm not at home I'll be at MeMe and PaPa Tidrow in Haskell.

Dear Santa,
I am 5 years old and I have been a good boy at school and at church. I think I would like for you to bring me a big Scoop like "Bob the Builder," and some chocolate M&M's.
Could you bring my Granny a necklace and a new hoe for her garden and please bring something for my mommie.
I will have some cookies and chocolate milk for when you get here.
Love,
Harrison Martin

Dear Santa,
My name is Logan Steele. This is my very first Christmas. I have been a very good boy. Come and see me. I will leave you some goodies out. I would like lots and lots of toys for Christmas. Bring as much as you can bring. Thank you Santa.
Love Always,
Logan Tyler Steele

Dear Santa,
My name is Micaela and I am 9 months old. My mommy and daddy said I have been a very good little girl. Since this is my first Christmas I don't really know what to ask for but I'll try. I want a talking telephone, so I won't play with my mommy's all the time because sometimes she gets upset when she misses calls. I want a Winnie the Pooh doll that talks, a laptop that plays music, because I like to dance, some clothes, Blues Clues movies, a crawl-n-play playground, some Dora the Explorer movies, and any toys will do, as long as they play music.
Love,
Micaela Je'Nae Arrieta



CHRISTMAS WRAPPINGS—Learning the art of gift wrapping with a training exercise, Haskell Elementary fourth grade students of teacher Susan LeFevre, show their finished product. Afterwards they wrote compositions on the correct procedure for wrapping packages. Back row, l-r, are Junior Villa, Scottie Rodriguez, Tony Garcia, Kristina Bitner and Sherrie Williams. Middle row, Dominique Tagle, A. J. Benton, Veronica Benton, Aubrey Bassett, Jordan Burson and Miranda Johnson. Front row, D. J. Masias, James Williams, Breanna Villa, Andrea Anderson and Lauen Lampe.



WRAPPING UP CHRISTMAS—Haskell Elementary fourth grade students of teacher Judith Chapman, display packages they wrapped after a learning exercise in the art of gift wrapping. After the follow-direction activity in English class, they each wrote a "How To" composition. Pictured, l-r, back row, are Lonnie Alvarez, Ethan Frierson, Stephanie Rodriguez, Austin Marshall, Tyler Reese, Shambrie Rodriguez, Devon Flye, Katie Grand, Brooke Bullinger, Ricky Barrett and Efen Peralta. Seated front, Quent Berry, Justin Tagle, Samantha Galloway, Ashley Meier and McKenzie Barrington.

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy this year please bring me a real horse for Christmas. If you have room on your sleigh I would like a puppy, a kitten, and a ball for use all to play with. Please remember to bring a doll for my baby sister Allie. I will leave out plenty of milk and cookies for you to eat.
Love,
Adam Address

Dear Santa,
I have been pretty good this year. For Christmas I would like a transformer, Power Ranger, Bicycle and lots of chocolate! My dog Angel would like some dog treats. If you can would you bring some snow with you so we can play in it on Christmas. Thank you Santa.
Love,
Reed Lee

Merry Christmas Santa,
My name is Tyler Klose King, and I am 2 years old. I have been a good girl all year, "except for the powdered sugar thing last week."
On your way through Haskell, please leave me lots of chocolate candy and a few toys. I would like a kitchen set, computer, Sully Sleeping bag and a few Bob the Builder things.
Please stop by and see my Mam Maw Matthews and my cousins. Mam Maw would like a warm gown and robe. Tenille likes cash and Tracy can not make up her mind, so surprise her. My nans will bake you something sweet, and Paps will put out a round bale for your Reindeer.
I love you Santa,
Tyler
Dublin, Texas

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*As snow and frost blanket the land, we're warmed by thoughts of the many fine people we have had the pleasure to serve in the past year.
Merry Christmas and God bless you.*

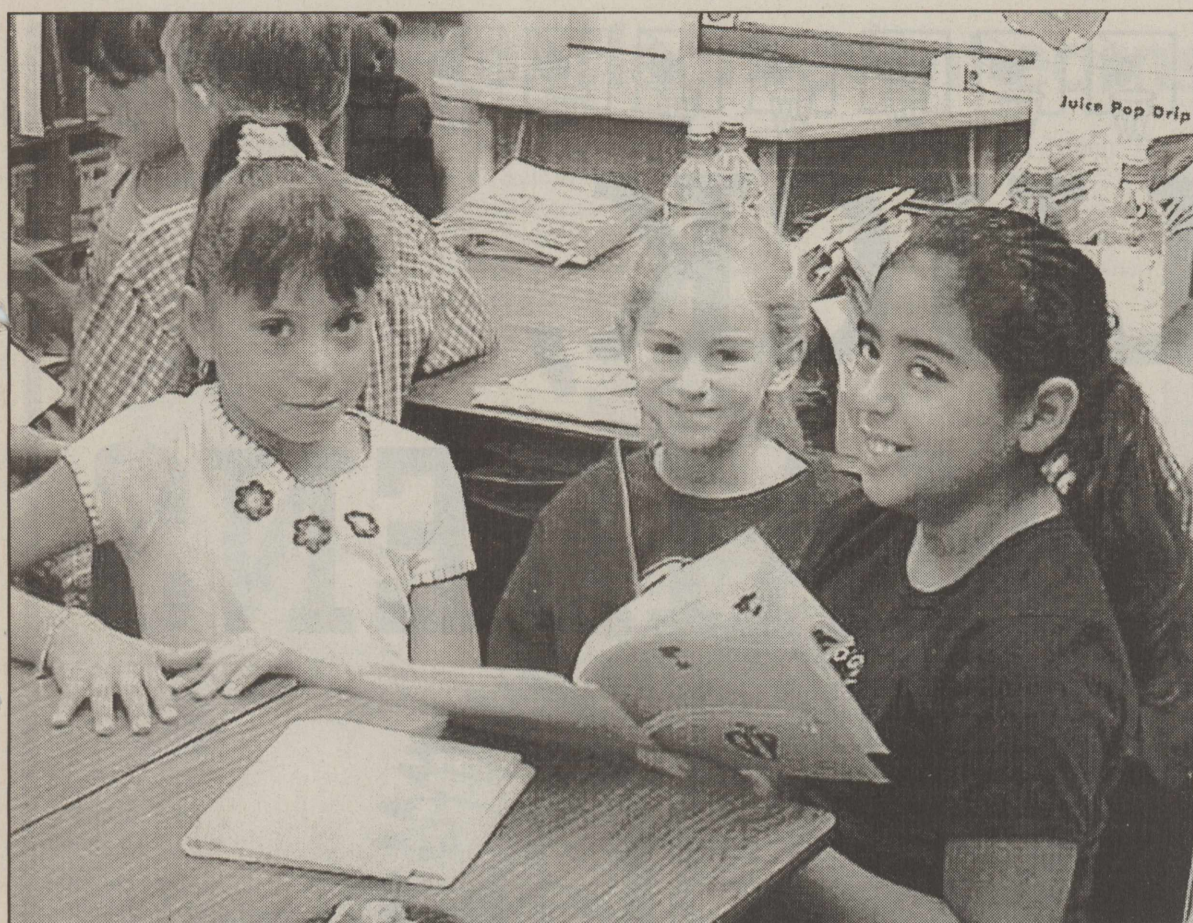
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FUN WITH BOOKS—Second graders at Haskell Elementary School, L-r, Syndey Cassidy and Lisa Hibbets enjoy having fifth grade student, Laura Garcia, read a book during National Book Week.



READING TO STUDENTS—Teresa Scoggins was among guest readers from the community who read to Mrs. Dunnam's second grade class at Haskell Elementary during National Book Week.

Dear Santa, please bring me a . . .

Dear Santa,

I have been a good little girl all year and Christmas is such an exciting time for me now that I know what's going on. For Christmas, I'd like a play refrigerator, a baby doll and a toaster. We'll feed you and your reindeer when you get here. Thank you and I love you!

Bailey Ann Toliver
age 2

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Claus,

I have tried to be good all year long. I have obeyed my family and teachers. I have tried to obey my sisters but sometimes they want me to do bad stuff. I have tried to do what is good. I want some tenny shoes that have rollers on the bottom and a cd player portable. Please.

Love, Jordan Sorrells
age 8
P. S. Happy Christmas!

Dear Santa,

I am happy that you got my presents last year. Because you got my presents you need some milk and cookies. What I want this year is some video games if I don't get that I want a cat!!

I love my Mom and Daddy!!

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Marry Christmas Santa
With Love, Denise Hibbitts

Dear Santa,

My name is Shaylee and I am 1 yr. old. I have been good this year. I would like to have a doll, a push and ride on toy. Please don't forget my brother Andrew he wants a trampoline.

Love,
Shaylee Merchant

Dear Santa Claus;

I have been a pretty good boy this year. I want a swing set, a Jeff Gordan bike, and a Bob the Builder playset. I would also like the Shrek movie. My sister, K'Lee, has been very good this year. Please bring her a Tigger baby and some new earrings. She can play on the swing set with me too. Have a safe trip!

Love,
Rhett Aaron Lampe
Age 4

Dear Santa Claus,

For Christmas I want a personalized doll with 8 outfits and a steamer trunk, a doll with a purple dress and purse, a Cinderella Jumper set, Dalmation Winter set, Pretty Princess PJ set, and a Pooh baby doll with the backpack, stroller, carscat, playpen, swing, and highchair.

By Lisa Dawn Hibbitts

Buying safe toys for tots

They're so cute—that soft goldfish rattle with the big eyes and that lifelike stuffed kitten that purrs when you pet it. And what child wouldn't love a little toy troll that sticks out his tongue when you squeeze him, a flexible-neck lamp with Tweety's face on its plastic shade, or a cool baseball video game that features an electronic home plate, ball and bat?

Unfortunately, the goldfish's sewn-on eyes and the troll's balloon tongue can detach, causing a choking hazard. The water inside the stuffed kitten that makes it "lifelike" is contaminated. The bulb in the lamp is a fire and burn risk. And the video game's electronic bat can separate during a swing, releasing broken pieces that have hit and injured children.

Each fall, the Texas Department of Health compiles a list of such potentially hazardous items as those, and the inspectors visit retail stores around Texas, making sure that certain recalled toys are no longer available.

Annabelle Dillard, chief of the field operations and compliance branch for TDH's products safety division, said that manufacturers have gotten better in recent years at getting information about recalled items to the retailers. "Once a product has been distributed, it's very difficult to get the word out to all the retail outlets. That's why a recalled product may still be on the shelves."

She advises parents to:

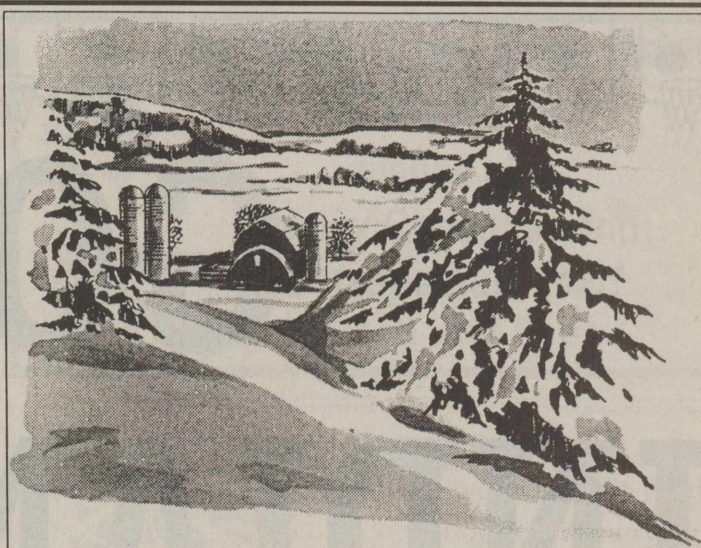
*Read the label carefully. It's very important to look at the age levels that are recommended on the package. Even if you feel that your child is advanced for his or her age, skill level isn't the only issue; there are safety considerations as well.

*Look for any hazards associated with the toy. The eyes may not be sewn on very well; they may have points or sharp edges that would not be appropriate for a younger child.

*Go ahead and buy the accompanying protective gear when you purchase items such as bicycles, scooters and roller blades. That means helmets for bikes and scooters, kneepads, helmets and shin guards for skates.

*Periodically examine your children's toys, discarding any broken toys. A toy that was perfectly safe before may have received so much wear and tear that it's no longer safe.

If you find toys you believe are dangerous, defective or mislabeled, call the TDH product safety division at 512-834-6773.



Greetings Of The Season

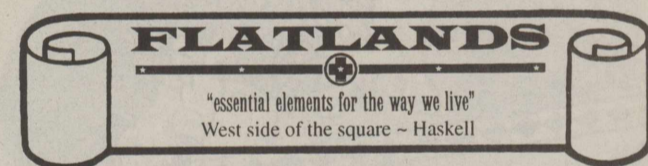
*'Tis covered with snow,
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Because they all know,
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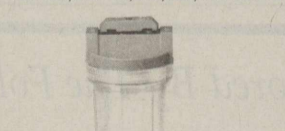
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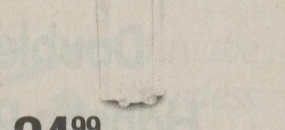
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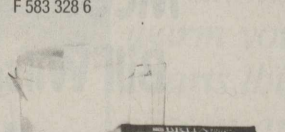
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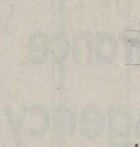
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HASKELL INDIANS: Osiel Garcia, Leon Goudeau, Josh Webb, Eddie Loyd, Ryan Burgess, Cliff McGuire, Wes Steele, Kyle Hunt, Zac McGuire, Melvin Garcia and Loren Cole. Coaches: Darrell Hunt, left, and Mark Adams.

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Fri., Dec. 21

2:30 p.m.

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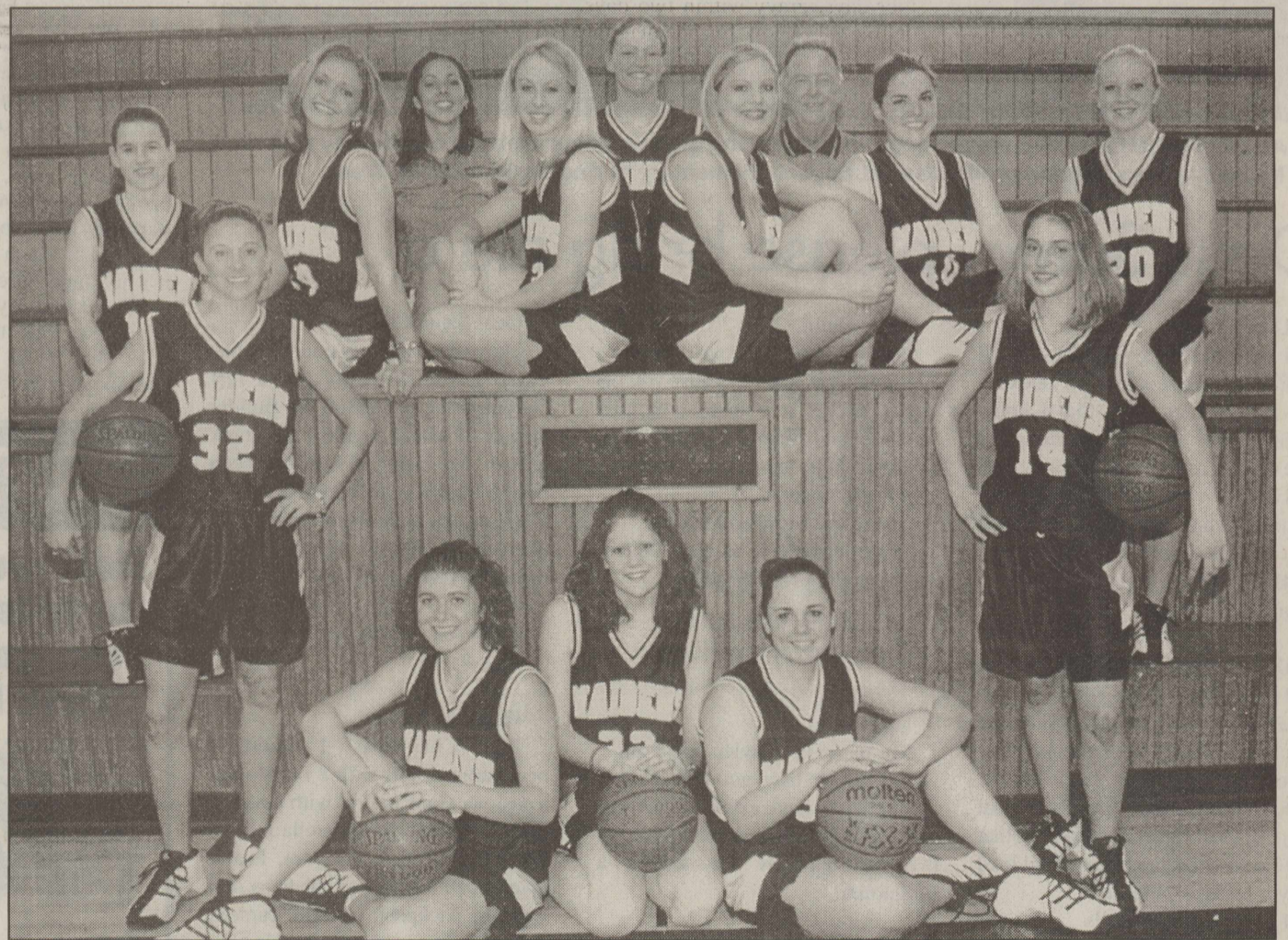
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HASKELL MAIDENS: Front row from left: Katie McKnight, Brittany Lindsey and Whitney Hise. Standing: Lynzie Harlan and Calina Kendall. Back row: Morgan Cox, Tiffany Lindsey, Coach Shawna Faircloth, Nikki Wallace, Melissa Buerger, Mindy Price, Coach David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

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Jump Rope for Heart event earns \$4012.45

Haskell Elementary School second, third, fourth and fifth graders raised \$4,012.45 from friends and family members who sponsored them in the school's Jump Rope for heart event held Nov. 16.

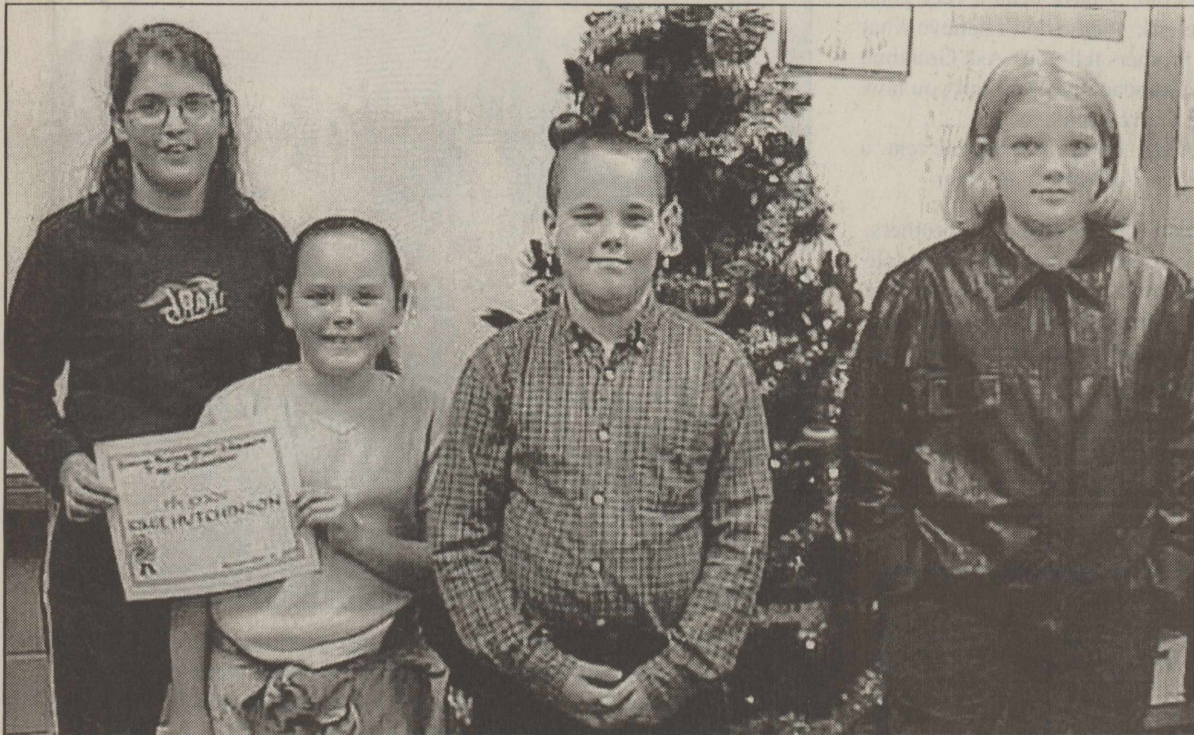
"I was afraid our totals would be down quite a bit this year because my top collector for the last three years did not participate since she is now in sixth grade and the number of donation collectors seemed to be

down also," said Tiffany Thomas, Jump Rope for Heart coordinator/P.E. teacher. "They all seemed to work really hard though and did a wonderful job. I am extremely proud of them all."

A joint project of the American Heart Association (AHA) and the Texas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (TAHPERD), Jump Rope for Heart involves elementary students in the fight against heart diseases and stroke which are America's number one and three killers. Participants also learn the benefits of physical activity and community service.

This popular event has been conducted in schools across the country for two decades. Students jump and collect donations from sponsors then prizes are awarded according to the amount of money raised.

Along with the prizes awarded by the American Heart Association (AHA), the top money collectors of each grade received prizes from local merchants. The top collector for second grade was Felysha Walker with \$250 and the top collector for the third grade was Nathan Meredith with \$189. For the fourth grade, Kristina Bitner collected the most money donations with \$95 and Kimie Hutchinson received top collector honors for fifth grade with her \$175 contribution.



TOP JUMPERS—Top money collectors for the Jump Rope for Heart event were Haskell Elementary students, l-r, Kimie Hutchinson, 5th grade, \$175.00; Felysha Walker, 2nd grade, \$250.00; Nathan Meredith, 3rd grade, \$189.00; Kristina Bitner, 4th grade, \$95.00.

Keep holiday foods safe

The holiday season is launched, and along with the excitement, travels, parties and family gatherings, come the turkey and dressing, eggnog and cider, cookies and meringue pies, and leftovers, bringing the increased possibilities of foodborne illness.

Serving large meals, planning buffets where food is left out for long periods of time, taking dishes to parties and packing the refrigerators with leftovers all bring on the possibility for contamination.

Ione Wenzel of the Retail Foods Division of Texas Department of Health (TDH), reminds that temperature and sanitation are critical. Hot foods need to be kept at 140 degrees F or higher, and cold foods should stay at 41 degrees F or lower.

Washing hands with soap and water before and after handling food is important. "Be sure all work surfaces, cutting boards and utensils are clean when preparing food," Wenzel said. "And don't use the same cutting boards, platters and utensils for raw meat that you do for fresh or cooked foods."

Some tips from the TDH about preparing and serving foods safely are:

- *Thaw a turkey in the refrigerator approximately 24 hours for each five pounds of whole bird. Turkey should never be thawed out on the counter. A defrosted bird may remain in the refrigerator for up to two days.

- *Follow manufacturing instructions for thawing in a microwave. Cook the turkey immediately after thawing in a microwave; do not return it to the refrigerator.

- *The safest way to cook dressing is on the stove or in the oven in a separate dish for even heating. If dressing is cooked inside fowl, loosely stuff the turkey just before cooking. Dressing should reach 165 degrees in the center. If not, finish cooking the dressing in a separate dish.

- *The best way to cook a turkey is to set the oven no lower than 325 degrees F.

- *Place the turkey breast-side up on a rack or in a shallow roasting pan.

- *Use a meat thermometer to check for an internal temperature of at least 180 degrees F in the thigh of the turkey before removing from the oven.

- *Juices should be clear.

- *Let stand 20 minutes before removing stuffing and carving.

- *Debone turkey and refrigerate all leftovers in a shallow container within two hours of cooking. Use leftover turkey and stuffing within four days, gravy within two days, or freeze. Allow for adequate air circulation in refrigerator. Reheat leftovers rapidly and thoroughly until hot and steaming.

- *On the buffet table keep foods hot with chafing dishes, crock pots and warming trays. Place cold foods over ice. After four hours, throw out the food that remains.

- *Salmonella can be found inside fresh eggs, even those that are not broken. Here are some safety tips:

- *When preparing homemade eggnog, heat the eggs, sugar and milk to 145 degrees F, or use a pasteurized egg product.

- *Cookie dough and cake batter often contain raw eggs. Don't taste the mixture before it is cooked. Also, don't use raw egg whites to paste together gingerbread houses or other treats that will be eaten. Use powdered egg whites or frosting instead.

- *Meringue made with raw egg is safe if baked at 350 degrees F until the tips are brown--usually about 12 to 15 minutes.

- If you will be serving cider to children, the elderly or those with compromised immune systems, choose pasteurized apple cider. It may be served hot or cold.

"We are not trying to take the fun and enjoyment out of holiday entertaining," Wenzel said. "But just a few safety precautions can keep the season happy and healthy."

Cecil's Country Meat Market & Grocery wishes all a **Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!**
Cecil and Sue

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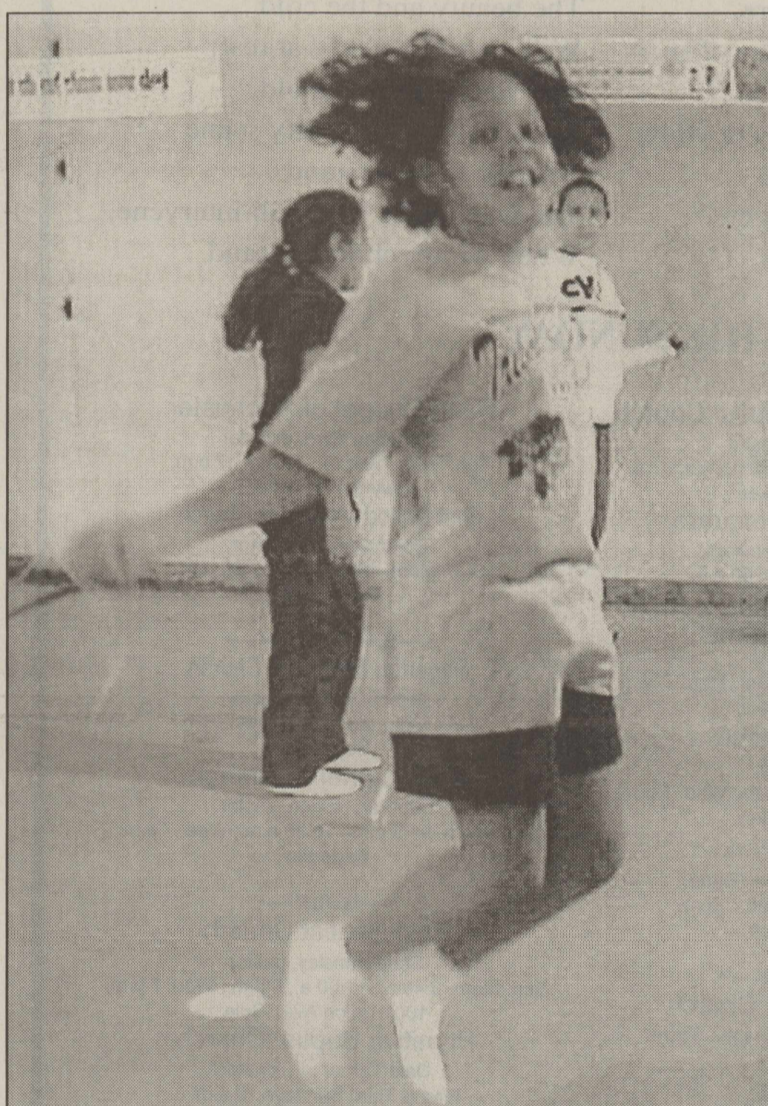
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JUMP ROPE FOR HEART—Haskell fifth grader, Mariah Fernandez joins in the Nov. 16 event to help raise funds for the American Heart Association's research and education programs.

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Dear Santa,
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Thank you, and I love you.
 Your friend,
 Tyler Johnson

Dear Santa,
 My name is Macey Coker. I am 3 years old. I have been a very good little girl. Please don't believe what my brothers tell you. Ask Grandma and Grandad, they will tell you how nice I have been.

Please bring me a Barbie tent, a baby, and a Barbie computer.

Also, please bring my brothers, Zackie and Austin and my uncle Justin some presents. They are nice sometimes. I will leave you some cookies and milk. Don't forget all my cousins.

I Love you Santa,
 Macey Coker
 Haskell, TX



BEST WRAPPED GIFTS—Haskell fourth grade students, Andrea Anderson, left, and Shambrie Rodriguez, proudly display their packages which won first place after the How to Wrap a Package instructional exercise.

This Week's Devotional Message:



GOD MADE THE WINTER, SPARKLING WITH SILVER AND WHITE

The trees have shed their autumn glow
 From branches dark and bare,
 And soon the patterned flakes of snow
 Will spiral through the air,
 Adorning them with clumps of white
 To take the place of leaves;
 While icicles, a dazzling sight,
 Are hanging from the eaves.

Your House of Worship will attest,
 The beauty and the cold
 Will signify a world at rest;
 The year is growing old.
 So just enjoy the frosty scene
 And try to understand
 The way God's love will intervene,
 When winter chills the land.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

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East Side Baptist Church
 David Page, pastor
 Sun. 8:30 a.m., 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.
 600 N. 1st East, Haskell

Christian Church
 Dusty Garrison, minister
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
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 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
 Henry Chisholm, temporary supply
 Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
 306 N. Ave. E, Haskell

Trinity Baptist Church
 Tony Grand, pastor
 Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 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

Samuel Blackwell, pastor
 Sun. Morn. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.
 301 N. 3rd St., Haskell

New Covenant Foursquare
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 Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
 200 S. Ave. F, Haskell

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 Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m.
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 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

PAINT CREEK

Paint Creek Baptist Church
 Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.
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First Baptist Church
 Chris Powell, pastor
 Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 7 p.m.
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Weinert Foursquare Church
 Rev. Robert Harrison
 Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.
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 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
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 Troy Culpepper, pastor
 Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m.
 500 Main, Rochester

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 Rev. Clarence Walker
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
 Rochester

Faith Chapel of Rochester

Katherine Byrd, minister
 Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m.
 Hwy 6, Rochester

First United Methodist Church
 Dolan Brinson, pastor
 Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
 Rochester

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Sagerton Methodist Church
 Tommy Wilson, pastor
 Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.
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 Deborah Nissen, pastor
 Sun. Morn. 9:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
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RULE

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

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 Dale Turner Jr., pastor
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 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
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First United Methodist Church
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 Sun. Morn. Worship 9 a.m.
 Sunday School 10 a.m.
 1000 Union Ave., Rule

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 Arturo Jr. Flores
 Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
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Sweet Home Baptist Church
 Bill Trice, 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

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like . . .

Dear Santa Kaws:
 My name is Jonah, and I am 2 years old. I have been a good boy most of the time - at least my grandparents say I have been. I hear you are the one that gives presents, but my grandparents do a pretty good job.

I want everything in the JC Penny Wish Book - especially choo choo trains, Bob the Builder, and a guitar.

If you come by, I can spend hours pointing them out to you. Sorry I didn't want to visit you at Abilene last week. I really do love you and want to see you. Thank you, Santa!

I love you,
 Jonah Bulls
 Age 2
 PS. My baby brother will be here by Christmas. I guess you should bring him something too.

Good nutrition is possible during holidays

by Lou Gilly
 Haskell Co. Extension Agent
 The holiday season has arrived and with it comes delicious, high-fat foods, making it easy to over indulge.

Pumpkin pie contains less fat than apple or pecan pie and is high in vitamin A. For holiday dinners, try skinless, roast turkey, wild rice pilaf, broccoli with lemon juice and a whole-grain roll.

Some traditional holiday foods have nutritional value, but many have dietary trade-offs. For example, a one-cup serving of eggnog contains one-third of the suggested daily allowance for calcium. However, it is also very high in calories, especially if alcohol is added.

If you plan to attend a party, snack before you go to take the edge off your appetite. Move away from the buffet table to eliminate the tendency to dip into the food while standing and talking. If drinking alcoholic beverages, do so in moderation and choose those made with diet or club soda instead of juice or full-calorie soda.

TAX PLANNING

Written By
James E. Rodgers, CPA



SMART MOVES NOW COULD CUT YOUR 2001 TAX BILL

A bit of planning now could save you money next April. As the year draws to a close, there are still some moves you can make to cut your 2001 tax bill. Consider these possibilities:

- **Squeeze deductions into 2001.** For example, you may be able to deduct points on a new home loan if you can close on the loan before December 31. Clean out your closet before year-end and give items you no longer use to charity in return for a tax deduction.

- **Contribute the maximum allowed to your retirement plans.** Contributing to a plan may shelter your current income from taxes, and your investment can grow tax-deferred (in some cases tax-free).

- **If you're selling property, use an installment sale** to spread the income tax from the sale over several years. Or consider a tax-deferred exchange of like-kind property to postpone taxes even longer.

- **Attempt to collect worthless loans before year-end.** You can write off a bad debt in the year it becomes uncollectible, subject to certain limitations. The loan must be bona fide and you must prove you've attempted to collect the debt.

- **Review your portfolio.** You can use a certain amount of capital losses to offset ordinary income, such as wages and self-employment income. If your year-to-date losses already exceed the deductible limit, consider selling some winners to offset your excess losses.

- **Use the 2001 annual gift tax exclusion** to reduce potential estate taxes. In addition to the \$10,000 annual gift exclusion, you can give unlimited amounts on behalf of any individual if you make your payments directly to a medical or educational institution.

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Dear Santa, please bring me a . . .

Dear Santa,
I have been a very good girl this year. Please bring me a baby doll for Christmas. I would also like a kitchen set so I can help mom cook. I will go to bed early so you can stop by. Be sure and eat the cookies and milk Adam and I leave for you.

Love,
Allie Andress

To: Santa
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Age 7

Dear Santa,
My name is Andrew and I'm 5 years old. I've tried to be good this year. I would like to have a trampoline, a big truck that pulls a race car and lots of surprises. Please don't forget my sister Shaylee. She wants a doll and my cousins Rhett, K'Lee, Dakota, and Taya. Don't forget to eat your cookies that I leave for you.
I love you, Andrew Hearn

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Dylan and I am 4. Thank you for my Toots the Train you brought last year. I love you and I like you. I don't like apple juice. This year I want the Rescue Heroes. I want to play games with a robot, like hide and seek. I also want a big train, a caboose and a station with buttons. I have a baby this year. Her name is Landry. I want her to get some teeth to talk with and a pretty flower talker and Christmas presents like me. I'll leave you some reindeer cookies.

Thank you Santa, I love you,
Dylan Hanson
Age 4

Dear Santa,
My name is Tristen Maelynn Swinney. I am 8 months old. I have been really sweet. Please bring me lots of stuff. A lot of Winnie the Pooh and Tigger things that's my favorite. Also bring something nice for my dog Gus he's been really good too.

Love,
Tristen Maelynn

Dear Santa,
My name is Landry Lynn Hanson and this is my first Christmas. I am 3 months old so my mommy is helping me write this letter. I don't need much this year - I already have a big brother that plays with me. I would like to have a Sparkling Symphony Gym - lights and music make me laugh. Whatever else you might think I might like will be just fine. Please remember my big brother Dylan - he's a good boy even though he pats and kisses me a little too hard sometimes.

Lots of kisses,
Landry Hanson
3 mo.

Dear Santa,
How are you and Mrs. Claus? I would like to have a Gameboy Advance and a shiny bicycle and Spyro Season of Ice. And please don't forget Spencer, Cameron, Hannah, Bo, and Phillip. We will be at Paw-Paws and Granny's house.

Thank you Santa.
Love, Cole Casey

Dear Santa,
My name is Caitlin Medford. I have been very good this year. I hope you bring me a lot of toys. I would like a little puppy that looks like Sparky, a Bratz doll, a Barbie cell phone, some more things for my doll house, some new games and books, and some new computer games. Have a safe trip and I hope you don't fall out of the sleigh.

Love,
Caitlin Medford
Age 5
P.S. Please bring something for my mom, dad, and brother.

Dear Santa,
My name is Stephanie Threet, I am 9 years old. This Christmas I would like you to bring me a Barbie karaoke-machine, a Harry potter game, some new clothes, some new movies, a VCR for my room, a leopard purse, a Printer and Speakers for my computer, and last of all, a finger nail machine so i can do my nails. I think I've been a pretty good girl this year. I've tried to be anyway. Don't forget my little brother, his name is Hunter and he is 2 1/2 years old. He wants everything so anything you bring him he will like especially tractors and Bob the Builder. We will make you some special cookies, and will leave them in the same place as always. Don't forget to bring my mom and dad something speical too, and all of the other kids too. Have a safe trip.

love,
Stephanie threet
third grade
Rule texas

Dear Santa,
My name is Hunter Threet. I am 2 1/2 years old, and I've tried really hard to behave this year. Would you please bring me some tractors and trailers, a tricycle and a wagon, and lots of Bob the Builder toys, I really like Bob. Don't forget my big sister, Stephanie, my mom, and dad and all of the other kids in the world!

Love,
Hunter
Rule, TX

Merry Christmas

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All our best wishes to you and your loved ones on this joyous occasion.

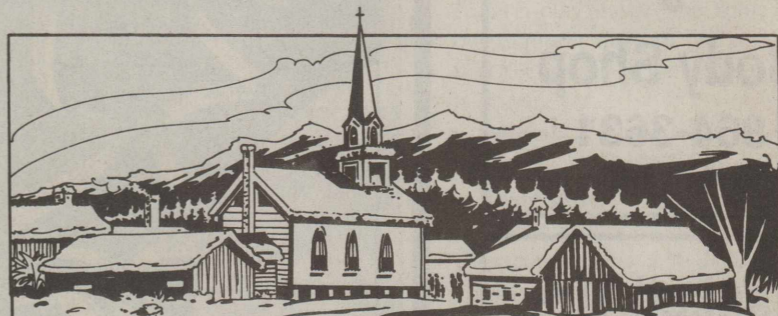


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HASKELL MAIDENS: Front row from left: Katie McKnight, Brittany Lindsey and Whitney Hise. Standing: Lynzie Harlan and Calina Kendall. Back row: Morgan Cox, Tiffany Lindsey, Coach Shawna Faircloth, Nikki Wallace, Melissa Buerger, Mindy Price, Coach David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

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