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## Basketball games

**Haskell**  
Indians vs Bellevue (Warm-Up)  
Thurs., Feb. 14, 6:30 p.m.  
at Archer City

Indians vs Memphis (Bi-District)  
Mon., Feb. 18, 6:30 p.m.  
at Vernon High School, Vernon

## Softball games

Maidens vs. Hawley  
Fri., Feb. 15, 6 p.m. at Hawley  
Maidens vs. Hawley (tentative)  
Fri., Feb. 16, 1 p.m. at Haskell

## Calendar

### Free Press closed

The Haskell Free Press will be closed Thurs., Feb. 14.

### Society to meet

The Haskell County Historical & Genealogical Society will meet Mon., March 4 in Haskell City Hall at 7 p.m. Jacklynn Escobedo, daughter of Jackie Escobedo, will present a paper about her grandfather, Chief Escobedo, a Korean War veteran. Morgan Cox, daughter of Bill and Susan Cox, will read a paper about her grandmother, Gertrude Hopkins. Both are students of Mrs. Bellinghausen.

### ECC brisket dinner

The Experienced Citizens Center will hold a mesquite smoked brisket dinner Sun., March 3 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the ECC Center. Tickets are \$7 in advance or \$7.50 at the door. Tickets for children over 10 are \$3.50 at the door or \$3 in advance. For tickets call 864-3875 or 864-3703.

### Fish fry dinner

The Paint Creek Senior Class of 2002 will hold a catfish dinner Sun., Feb. 17 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Paint Creek Cafeteria. Tickets are \$5 in advance, \$6 at the door and \$3 for children. Proceeds will benefit the senior trip to Disney World.

### Noah Project

The Noah Project-North Advisory Committee will hold a variety show and silent auction Fri., Feb. 22 at the new Rolling Plains Regional Jail beginning at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. Tickets may be purchased from any advisory committee member, the Noah Project office in the courthouse or at the door. Barbecue and all the trimmings will be served. Proceeds benefit victims of family violence served by the group.

### Ag producers meeting

Haskell County ag producers will meet Mon., Feb. 18 at 7:30 a.m. at the Haskell National Bank Community Room. Speakers will be Emory Boring, Extension Entomologist; Todd Baughman, Extension Agronomist and Billy Henderson, Texas Department of Agriculture. 3 CEUs will be available. Call Haskell County Extension Office at 864-2658 for information.

### Gardeners to meet

A program on "Garden Plan and Varieties" will be presented Mon., Feb. 18 at 6:45 p.m. at Haskell National Bank Community Room by Texas Cooperative Extension Crooked River Master Gardener Association.

### Car Show

The 6th annual Haskell Fire Dept. Car Show will be held Sat., March 16 around the courthouse in Haskell. Entries are \$20. Registration is from 8 to 11 a.m. at the Fire Station. Judging is at 1:30 p.m. followed by a trophy presentation at 3:30. Hot Wheel races will be held for the kids. For more information contact Randy Shaw at 864-2023 or Coy Scoggins at 864-3694.

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## Good luck Indians and Maidens in play-offs

# The Haskell Free Press

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**HERO AND SWEETHEART**—Haskell High School seniors Cliff McGuire and Nikki Wallace hold gifts that were presented to them after being named this year's Basketball Hero and Basketball Sweetheart. Photo by Kis-Katy McDaniel

## New EQIP sign up ends March 29

A newly approved EQIP priority area will give producers in southern Haskell, northern Jones, and eastern Fisher Counties an improved chance of getting conservation cost share practices approved. The watersheds draining into Lake Stamford and the diversion structure east of the lake has been included in a newly formed EQIP Priority Area, Paint/California Creek. The purpose of the Priority Area is to reduce erosion and sedimentation entering Lake Stamford. A total of \$206,191 has been targeted for cost share practices this year for the area.

The Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) provides a voluntary conservation incentive for farmers and ranchers that wish to improve soil, water and related natural resources. Applications for financial assistance are currently being accepted at the USDA Service Center in Haskell through March 29.

Cost share for specific conservation practices can pay up to 75% of the installation costs in an EQIP contract. The length of the EQIP contract ranges from 5 to 10 years. Conservation practices typically cost shared in Haskell County include Terraces, Waterways, Brush Management, Pasture or Range Planing, Livestock Water Development, Cross Fencing and others.

EQIP applications are ranked according to the number of environmental points achieved against the cost of installing the practice.

Land not located in the Paint/California Creek Priority Area will be eligible to sign up for the Statewide EQIP. The deadline for applying for the statewide EQIP is March 29.

To determine if land is located in the Priority Area and for additional information on EQIP, contact the NRCS office at (940) 864-2617.

## Round Robin Revival scheduled Feb. 24-28

For the twenty-second time since 1981 when the custom began, the Haskell Ministerial Alliance will hold its annual Round Robin Revival Feb. 24 through Feb 28. Theme for the series will be "Taking God Seriously."

Beginning Sunday at 6:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, the services will rotate to a different host church each evening. The Monday through Thursday services will begin at 7:00 p.m. This year's schedule is as follows:

Sun., Feb. 24, at the First Baptist Church, Rev. Steve Beatty of First Presbyterian Church will speak.

Mon., Feb. 25, at East Side Baptist Church, Rev. Shane Brue of First United Methodist Church will speak.

Tues., Feb. 26, at First Christian Church, Dr. David Page of East Side Baptist Church will speak.

Wed., Feb. 27, at First Assembly of God, Rev. James Rinker of the Church of God will speak.

Thurs., Feb. 28, at First United Methodist Church, Rev. Samuel Blackwell of Greater Independence Baptist Church will speak.

Baptist Church will speak.

As usual, each host church will plan the order of events and the music. The community is invited to attend the services.

An offering will be taken each evening to benefit the benevolent work of the alliance in aiding the needy throughout the year.

An average of \$300.00 to \$400.00 per month in expenses is spent in this work by the Alliance. Some of this amount goes to aid transients and some goes to local people who need help. With strict guidelines established to prevent fraud, such help is limited to one time per household in a twelve month period. Typically, the amount is limited to about \$25.00. If a special circumstance should arise, usually two or three ministers may agree together to increase the amount of the donation given.

During the revival series, in addition to the message brought by the speakers, members of the Alliance will be talking about their new project, the Food Distribution

Center, a monthly ministry which was started in January.

Available each third Saturday of the month, the Haskell County Food Distribution Center will be open this Sat., Feb. 16. It is still located in a

transitional facility at 1303 North Ave. I, one block south of St. George Catholic Church.

People who applied for the assistance last month are eligible to receive help this month. If anyone

needing the help did not fill out an application last month they may obtain one from any of the participating churches, the Haskell County Courthouse or the Dept. of Human Services.



**VISITING THE NEWSPAPER**—Members of Bear Den #3 of Cub Scout Pack 136 touring the *Haskell Free Press* Feb. 7 look through back editions to find headlines in newspaper nearest their birth date, nearest their fifth birthday and the issue nearest July 20, 1969. They learned where a reporter gets their news, how the paper is assembled and the process involved from the layout, darkroom plate burning, to the press. From the left are Tucker McCormick, Simon Rodriguez and Marco Gonzalez. Den leader Mary Rodriguez and helper Samantha Rodriguez accompanied them on the field trip.

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Rule 97, Paint Creek 17  
Scoring for Rule: Dudensing 13, Lisle 32, Brown 14, Lehmann 32, Marquis 3, Hertel 3.

Scoring for Paint Creek: Lamb 2, Woodall 4, Gonzalez 4, Walton 4, Lopez 3.

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Rochester 55, Benjamin 53 (OT)  
Scoring for Rochester: Byrd 24, Garcia 22, Martinez 3, Ramos 3, Nicholson 2, Turner 1.

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Highland 45, Rochester 36  
Scoring for Rochester: Byrd 25, Turner 5, Garcia 2, Martinez 4, Brown 1.

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**Boys**  
Haskell 50, Hamlin 43  
Scoring for Haskell: C. McGuire 17, Loyd 16, Webb 8, Hunt 4, Z. McGuire 3, Goudeau 2.

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Paint Creek 63, Rule 57  
Scoring for Paint Creek: Hobbs 8, Sagesar 4, Medford 2, Barr 15, Lowrance 28, C. Hobbs 6.

Scoring for Rule: Smith 12, Fuentes 3, Hatley 5, Stephens 18, Flores 2, Falkner 9, Standefer 6, Turner 2.

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Benjamin 70, Rochester 61  
Scoring for Rochester: McGhee 25, Self 17, Hearn 10, Williams 6, Sanchez 3.

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Haskell 42, Stamford 32  
Scoring for Haskell: C. McGuire 2, Goudeau 8, Garcia 7, Loyd 4, Z. McGuire 2, Steele 2, Burgess 2.

**Marriage Licenses**

Marriage licenses issued in January by Rhonda Moeller, Haskell County Clerk include:  
Michael John Clayton and Laura Ruth Wilson, both of Haskell.

**Obituaries**

**Sandra Larned Wallace**



**SANDRA WALLACE**  
Funeral services for Sandra Larned Wallace, 57, of Haskell were held Tues., Feb. 12 at First Baptist Church in Haskell with Rev. Randy McLelland and Rev. Kevin Hall officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-

McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Wallace died Sat., Feb. 9 at an Abilene hospital.

Born March 31, 1944 in Haskell, she married J. W. Wallace Jr., on July 4, 1960. She operated a daycare center from 1970 until 1990 and was known as 'Auntie' to the children who stayed with her. She enjoyed decorating her home and the homes of her friends and relatives, but most of all, she loved her family, her children and her grandchildren. She was a member of First Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her father-in-law, J. W. Wallace.

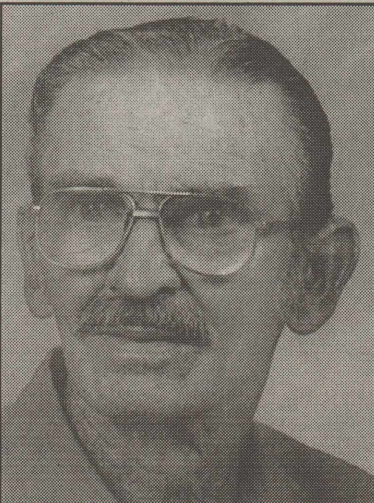
Survivors include her husband of the home; one son and daughter-in-law, Mark and Tammie Wallace of Haskell; four daughters and sons-in-law, Janet and Marc Thane of Roby, Vickie and Jerry Coker, Kelly and Layman, Deanne and Roman Morgan, all of Haskell; her parents, Alice

Larned of Haskell, and W. D. 'Dee' and Ruth Larned of Haskell; her mother-in-law, Jewell Lea Wallace of Haskell; two brothers and sisters-in-law, Sammy and Gerre Larned of Haskell and Jimmy and Joy Larned of Haslet; 13 grandchildren, Brooke, Nikki, Whitney, Hanna, Chelsie, Aerial, Zack, Austin, Macey, Alexis, Hope, Skylar and Roary.

Pallbearers were Gene Flanary, Robert Bartley, David Davis, Danny Josselet, Joel Nanny and James 'Cookie' Dunlap. Honorary pallbearers were the Haskell High School Class of 1962.

Memorials may be made to the Matthew Williamson Beecher McCord Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 937, Haskell, Texas 79521; First Baptist Church, 301 N. Ave. F, Haskell, or Hendrick Hospice Care, P.O. Box 1922, Abilene, Texas or the American Heart Association. PD. NOTICE

**Jack Carlton Daniels, Sr.**



**JACK C. DANIELS SR.**

Funeral services for Jack Carlton Daniels, Sr., 79, lifelong resident of Haskell were held Wed., Feb. 13 at East Side Baptist Church in Haskell with Dr. David Page officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Daniels died Sun., Feb. 10 at a local hospital.

Born April 13, 1922 in Haskell, he was the son of Earl Clifton Daniels and Eula Hutchens Daniels. He married Virginia Lee Banks Oct. 6, 1942 in Haskell. He was a farmer and a member of East Side Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife of the

home; one son and daughter-in-law, Jack Carlton Daniels Jr., and Mae of Wolforth; three grandchildren, Vickie Mae and Cecil Mandrell and Kimberly Sue Lynch, both of Lubbock and Johnny Carlton and Jodie Daniels of Tulsa; six great grandchildren, Chad and Chris Mandrell, Justin Schoepf, Ronnie Lynch, Kellie and Maegan Daniels.

Pallbearers were Jimmy Ray Roberts, Albert Lee Roberts, Mike Boyles, Max McMeans, Jerry Don Klose and Donald Cunningham.

Memorials may be made to East Side Baptist Church, 600 N. 1st East, Haskell, Texas 79521. PD. NOTICE

**Wilburn George 'W. G.' May**



**W. G. MAY**

Funeral services for Wilburn George 'W. G.' May, 79, of Rule were held Fri., Feb. 8 at First Baptist Church in Rule with Rev. J. R. Williams and John Greeson officiating.

Burial was in Rule Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Robison Funeral Directors.

Mr. May died Wed., Feb. 6 at a local hospital.

Born Sept. 23, 1922 in Haskell County, he was the son of Samuel English May and Cora Lee Rector May. He played baseball for Texas A&M University before leaving to serve in the U. S. Army Air Force during World War II. He was a Staff Sergeant for the 332nd Bombardment Squadron, 94th Bombardment Group, Eighth Bomber Command. He completed 25 missions in the European Theater of Operations from May 14, 1943 through Oct. 10, 1932 for which he was awarded an Air Medal with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters and the Distinguished Flying Cross. He married Lea Brewer May 8, 1946 in

Seymour. He was a farmer, a Mason, and a member of the First Baptist Church in Rule.

Survivors include his wife of the home; two sons and daughters-in-law, Ron and Linda May of Bedford and Winston and Brynda May of Keller; two brothers, Louis May of Angelton and John Edd May of Odessa; one sister, Joyce Bond of Hamlin; eight grandchildren, two great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were nephews, Bruce May, Sammy Bond, Greg Kuehler, Rick Kuehler, Perry Kuehler, Kelly Stubblefield and Brad Stubblefield. Honorary pallbearers were J. D. Kupatt, Speedy Smith, Eugene Rhoads, Jack Kittley, Roy Dean Smith and Richard Mathis. PD. NOTICE

**Audrey Renfro**



**AUDREY RENFRO**

A celebration of life service for Aubrey Renfro, 88, of Haskell was held Sat., Feb. 9 at First Baptist Church in Haskell with Dr. Troy Culpepper and Rev. Kevin Hall officiating. Family members praised her life in eulogy. Burial followed in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Renfro died Wed., Feb. 6 after helping brighten the lives of others for 88 years.

Born Dec. 7, 1913, she was a resident of Haskell for 65 years, and best known for her gardening skills and

the love and respect she had for her many friends. She was an active member of First Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Harvey 'Fuzzy' Renfro.

Survivors include three daughters, Beverly Bolton of Phoenix, Ariz., Jan Whittenburg of Olney and Donna Renfro of Wichita Falls; four grandsons, two great grandsons, and one great granddaughter.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church of Haskell or the Haskell Experienced Citizens Center. PD. NOTICE

**Priscilla Gladish Ratliff**

Funeral services for Priscilla Gladish Ratliff, 87, of Stamford were held Sun., Feb. 10 at Central Presbyterian Church with Rev. Paul Hahn officiating, assisted by Rev. Steve Beatty. Burial was in Willow Cemetery in Haskell under the direction of Kinney Funeral Home of Stamford.

Mrs. Ratliff died Wed., Feb. 6 at her home.

Born Feb. 13, 1914 in Peaster, she was the daughter of the late James A. and Jewel Hill Gladish. She married David W. Ratliff July 17, 1931 in Madill, Okla. He preceded her in death March 21, 1995. She graduated from the Teachers College High School at North Texas State Teachers College in Denton in 1930. She attended North Texas State Teachers College from 1930-32, and later graduated from Abilene Christian University in 1964 where she received her B. A. Degree in education. She was a member of Central Presbyterian Church and Stamford Memorial Hospital Ladies Auxiliary (Pink Ladies).

Survivors include one daughter, Lynnora Ratliff of Dallas; one son and daughter-in-law, John and Niki Ratliff of Austin; seven grandchildren, Rebecca Ratliff of Baltimore, Maryland, Robert and Jennie Ratliff of Encinitas, Calif., Chris and Shannon Maniloff of Carrollton, David and Gretchen Maniloff of Dallas, Jeremy Maniloff of Dallas, Ben Ratliff and Peter Ratliff, both of Austin; three great grandchildren, Danielle Maniloff of Carrollton, Britany Maniloff and Brett Maniloff, both of Dallas; numerous other relatives; and close friends and care givers, Lila Acosta and Adelaida Cedillo.

Grandchildren served as pallbearers.

Memorials may be made to Christ the King Presbyterian Church, P. O. Box 90967, Austin, Texas 78709 or Central Presbyterian Church, 601 Rowland, Stamford, Texas 79553. PD. NOTICE

**Loree Bean**

Funeral services for Mrs. Loree Bean, 84, of Haskell, formerly of Rochester, were held Fri., Feb. 8 at Rochester Church of Christ with John Greeson officiating. Burial was in Rochester under the direction of Smith Funeral Home.

Mrs. Bean died Wed., Feb. 6 at United Regional Medical Center in Wichita Falls.

Born May 2, 1917 in Loving, she married John Wilson Bean Feb. 15, 1936. He preceded her in death in 1973. She had moved to Haskell in 1974 from Rochester. She was a housewife and member of the Church of Christ in

Rule. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Wynelle Hester in December, 2001.

Survivors include one daughter and her husband, Carolyn and Tommy Don Sloan of Weatherford; one son-in-law, William Hester of Big Lake; six grandchildren; 10 great grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Pallbearers were Tony Daniels, Haynie Hutchinson, Jim Dillion, Jimmy Rogers, Bruce Tibbets and Mitch McLemore. PD. NOTICE

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**STUDENTS OF FINANCE**—Paint Creek High School students of Darlene Hopkins participating in the National Endowment for Financial Education (NEFE) financial planning program were: back, l-r, Paul Schonertstedt, Kelly Thompson, Tarina Schonertstedt, Maggie Brzozowski, Kasey Duniven, Amy Huggins, Larissa Kloog and Sarah Jones. Front, Misty Robey, Nichole Wade, Britta Manske, Carolyn Marshall and Misty Woodall.

## Paint Creek students finish financial planning program

Several Paint Creek ISD high school students recently completed the National Endowment for Financial Education (NEFE) High School Financial Planning Program. They were students of teacher Darlene Hopkins' Consumer Economics Education Class and members of FCCLA.

The three main purposes of the

NEFE High School program is for students to learn the financial planning process, learn to apply the process through assignments and learn to take control of their finances. Upon completion of the course students are presented with achievement certificates.

Those taking the course were Paul Schonertstedt, Kelly Thompson,

Tarina Schonertstedt, Maggie Brzozowski, Kasey Duniven, Amy Huggins, Larissa Kloog, Sarah Jones, Misty Robey, Nichole Wade, Britta Manske, Carolyn Marshall and Misty Woodall.

## Feng Shui to be Study Club topic

Maxine Cockrell of Abilene will be the guest speaker at the Progressive Study Club meeting at 7:00 p.m. Feb. 14 at the Haskell National Bank Community Building.

Her topic will be Feng Shui, the ancient Chinese art of creating balance, order and harmony in home decorating. She will be assisted by Vicki Morris, a stylist/decorator from Abilene.

A 1997 graduate of the Western School of Feng Shui in Del Mar, California, Cockrell is a certified practitioner. She teaches classes on positive thinking, which is inner Feng

Shui to create balance within oneself. She has assisted with the "Empowering Women" seminars in Houston, directed by Louise Hay. A graduate of McMurry University, Cockrell has a bachelor of arts degree in communications and has lived in Abilene for 22 years.

Music for the evening will be provided by Patsy Blakley and Kathy Garison. The Operation Smile project and the club's Texas Heritage trip to the Governor's Mansion in Austin will be discussed.

All members of the club are encouraged to bring a guest.

## Births

Walter and Michelle Williams of Dalhart announce the birth of their son, Anthony Lee Williams, Feb. 2. He weighed 6 pounds, 15 ounces and was 21 inches long.

His big sister is Danella.

Grandparents are Juan and Mary Ramos of Dalhart and Lee and Mary Silvas of Haskell.

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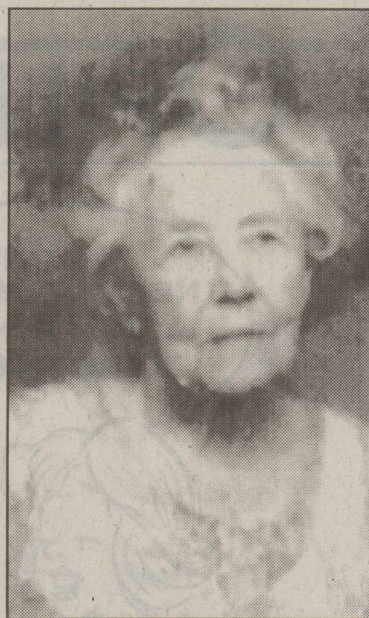
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GENEVA HOLDEN

## Holden celebrates birthday

Geneva Holden of Rule celebrated her ninetieth birthday, Fri., Feb. 8 with a party at the home of her daughter, Wanda Lees of Rule. Attending were her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and friends.

Mrs. Holden was born Feb. 8, 1912 in Swenson. She has three daughters, nine grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

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## Trueblood tells about Crazy Horse

The Haskell County Historical & Genealogical Society met Mon., Feb. 4 at Haskell City Hall.

Richard Trueblood presented a biography of Crazy Horse, the great Sioux chief.

Crazy Horse was a natural leader, great hunter and a great warrior. Crazy Horse was of the Lakota tribe, one of five tribes of the Sioux Nation. He was in the Battle of Little Bighorn in 1876. He was killed at the age of 33 in 1877 at Fort Robinson, Nebraska and no one knows where he is buried in the Badlands.

Trueblood grew up in Texas and

Kansas and in 1955 moved to Los Angeles. After high school he served in the U.S. Air Force. He is associated with the Hanna-Barbera Studio as an animator.

Refreshments were served in honor of President Johnny Scoggins's birthday.

Present were Wanda Ham, Eula Peters, Lowell Peters, Richard Trueblood, Johnny Scoggins, Teresa Scoggins, Ernestine C. Herren, Martha Jarred, Kenneth Jarred, Marilyn Griffith, Maxine Miller, Margaret Kitley, Jack Kitley and Maxine Hamilton.

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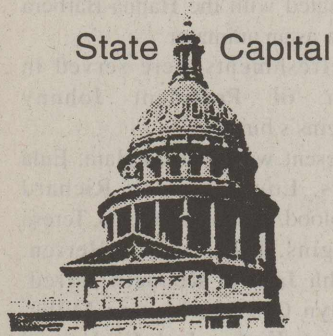
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# OPINION



## HIGHLIGHTS

By Mike Cox  
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

**AUSTIN** — You wouldn't know it by watching television, but Laredo businessman Tony Sanchez Jr. is not the only candidate for governor and David Dewhurst is not the only guy running for lieutenant governor.

But Democratic gubernatorial contender Sanchez, who faces former attorney general Dan Morales in the March 12 primary, clearly is spending the most on TV advertising.

And Republican Dewhurst is obviously shelling out big bucks right now for TV ads in his race against Democrat John Sharp.

Interestingly enough, the Texas Association of Business and Chambers of Commerce, which normally supports GOP contenders, voted to endorse Sharp. Every other candidate getting the group's endorsement was a Republican.

Four years ago, the association endorsed Republican Rick Perry over Sharp in the lieutenant governor's race.

Association president Bill Hammond told the *Austin American-Statesman* that Sharp literally talked his way into the endorsement this year.

"He spoke to issues that are important to employers across the state, and these are issues we have been working on for quite some time," Hammond told the newspaper.

### Times have changed

In 1896, when prizefights were illegal in Texas, the governor called out the Rangers to prevent a boxing match from being staged in the state.

With a show of force keeping a much-ballyhooped fight between two nationally known pugilists from coming off in El Paso, the promoters took the train to Langtry and held the fight on an island in the middle of the Rio Grande.

One hundred and six years later, the state employee in charge of licensing boxers has

said that controversial boxer Mike Tyson, whose license application was turned down by fight officials in Nevada because of his criminal record, would be welcome to fight Lennox Lewis in the Lone Star state.

"We have no reason not to license him here," Dickie Cole, the boxing administrator for the Texas Department of Licensing

and Regulations, told the *New York Daily News*. "There's no way we could deny him a license. We're not altar boys down here. We don't hold church in our boxing arenas."

Texas Motor Speedway executive vice president and general manager Eddie Gossage has had discussions with Tyson's camp and with the firm representing Lewis, about having the fight at the Metroplex track.

But the Association of Boxing Commissions has recommended that other states follow Nevada in not granting Tyson a license.

The association's action, however, is not binding.

### Retrieve renamed

Retrieve, as in to bring back, always seemed an odd name for a prison unit.

Established in Brazoria County south of Angleton in 1919, the Retrieve Unit has a new name: It's now the Wayne Scott Unit.

The Texas Department of Criminal Justice renamed the unit to honor Scott, who retired from the agency after 30 years service.

The Scott unit has a population of 1,107 male offenders.

Those offenders spend their time working cattle, tending food crops, collecting eggs, feeding hogs and other agricultural tasks that help support the prison system.



## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

### 10 Years Ago

February 13, 1992

Sul Ross State's Missy Davis from Haskell has been named the women's basketball player of the week by both NAIA District VIII and Texas Intercollegiate Athletic Association.

Diana Jarred Hoover has received a master's degree in Counseling and Personnel Services from the University of Maryland, Asian Division. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Jarred.

Charles Davis Chapman of Haskell was among students named to the Dean's Honors List at Texas Christian University. Chapman is a sophomore business major.

### 20 Years Ago

February 18, 1982

Bruce Gann, 8 year-old Cub Scout of Rule, won the championship race at the Northern District Chisholm Trail Council Pinewood Derby races.

Henrietta Rueffer was crowned Valentine Sweetheart at the Irby Valentine dance.

The Haskell Young Homemakers and their sweethearts enjoyed a Valentine banquet at the Haskell National Bank Community room. After dinner entertainment was provided by the Rule-Ettes. The vocal group included Ronnie and Lou Landes, Larry and Susan LeFevre.

### 30 Years Ago

February 17, 1972

Keith Everett, a freshman at Angelo State University in San Angelo, has been selected for membership in Phi Eta Sigma, men's honor society at ASU.

Lonnetta Strickland has been named Rochester High School's Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow.

Deborah Denson has been named Rule's Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow.

### 40 Years Ago

February 15, 1962

Diane Reid of Rochester has been placed in charge of public relations for Angel Flight, Air Force ROTC auxiliary at North Texas State University in Denton. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Reid of Rochester.

Several students from Haskell High School attended the concert presented by Van Cliburn at Hardin-Simmons' new chapel auditorium.

Ben-Hur with Charlton Heston is showing at the Texas Theatre. Adult tickets are \$1.25 each; students \$1.00 each and children 50¢ each.

### 50 Years Ago

February 14, 1952

French Robertson of Abilene and Wanda Dulaney were guest speakers for the Magazine Club. Dulaney is the Red Cross representative and

executive secretary of Haskell County Chapter of the American Red Cross. Robertson is the Southwest Regional Civil Defense Administrator.

The All-District boys basketball team is Billy McGuire of Weinert, Othello Moody and Curtis Grand, both of Paint Creek and J. C. Daniels of Mattson.

Rice G. Alvis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rice G. Alvis of Haskell, has been promoted to the rank of sergeant first class. He is a member of the 2nd Armored "Hell on Wheels" Division, now serving with Gen. Eisenhower's North Atlantic Pact Army in Europe.

### 90 Years Ago

February 17, 1912

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Scott left Thursday night to attend Mardi Gras in New Orleans. They will visit in the home of a friend Henry W. Robertson, a prominent lawyer of that city.

A mass meeting of citizens of the Howard Community will be held on the night of Feb. 22, the object of which will be to encourage and arrange for the building of a gin in that community.

Dr. Kimbrough was called to McConnell Wednesday evening and left on the 6:45 train.

G. R. Couch, cashier of the Weinert State Bank, was in town Thursday on business.

## Quick action helps stroke victims

Suddenly, you've lost feeling in your left arm and leg. Your vision's blurry, and it's a good thing you're sitting down because you feel dizzy and off-balance. "Just stay still and keep quiet," you tell yourself. "The numbness will pass just like it did the last time. After all, you don't want to create a scene over nothing, do you?"

In this situation, where symptoms indicate you may be having either a stroke or a transient ischemic attack (TIA), creating a scene would be exactly the thing to do, says the Mayo Foundation for Medical Education and Research.

Stroke occurs when the supply of blood that constantly nourishes the brain is somehow altered. As a result, brain tissues are either deprived of oxygen and nutrients or drown in blood. A TIA is a temporary

condition that usually lasts less than an hour and leaves no permanent physical or cognitive effects. But TIAs can be powerful predictors of full-blown future strokes.

Every minute is critical in implementing emergency treatment. One recent advance in stroke treatment uses a "clot busting" drug that must be administered within 3 hours of the start of an ischemic stroke for its benefits to outweigh the risks.

Still, emergency treatment shouldn't be your only defense against stroke. With your doctor's help, you can make decisions about your medical situation, or about changing your life style, that may substantially decrease your odds of having a stroke.

You can't change some risk factors for stroke, such as family history, age, sex, or race. However,

it's never too late to begin lowering your risk of stroke through factors you can manage or change. These include: high blood pressure, undesirable blood cholesterol levels, smoking, heart disease, diabetes, or previous stroke or TIA.

Whether you're 30 years old or 80, recommendations for helping prevent stroke may include: stop smoking; limit saturated fat and cholesterol intake; limit alcohol intake; exercise regularly; reduce high blood pressure and hypertension; control diabetes and manage your stress.

If you've had a previous stroke or TIA or feel you're at risk of stroke, talk with your doctor about screening and diagnostic tests. A number of different test are available.

Treatment options differ depending on what type of stroke you're having, but the outlook for emergency stroke treatment and rehabilitation is better today than ever before. After a stroke, some people experience a complete recovery. Still, approximately half of stroke survivors will be left with some kind of permanent disability.

Knowing stroke's warning signs and seeking immediate emergency medical care if they occur is critical to reducing the potential effects of a stroke. Working with your doctor to reduce stroke risk factors you can control is equally critical. It's a positive, proactive way to lower, often dramatically, the chances that you'll ever have a stroke.

## Long-term health care—Are you ready?

According to the most recent census data, there are 35 million Americans 65 years of age or older. Then years from now, when the baby boomers (those born from 1946 to 1964 reach age 65) this number will increase dramatically.

As the older population increases, have you considered how your future long-term health care needs will be met? You may not be able to rely solely on Medicare or your current health policy.

Historically, children have cared for their aging parents. However, in today's society with many couples both having to work outside the home just to make ends meet financially, this may no longer be a viable option.

Another interesting statistic from the recent census showed that 27.2 million households, or one-fourth of America's households, consisted of people living alone. How will their long-term health care needs be met?

Make no mistake. Long-term health care is expensive. It is for those with chronic or debilitating health problems that prevent an individual from caring for him or herself.

While Medicare offers some help, it limits long-term care benefits. Medicaid, the public health care program for low-income Americans, has very strict financial eligibility requirements and usually forces people to deplete their saving before they can qualify.

Consider the following questions when deciding whether you need long-term care insurance:

- How would you and your family handle a long-term illness or Alzheimer's disease? One of the biggest risks of our senior population is Alzheimer's disease. An estimated one in 10 people over the age of 65 will get Alzheimer's.

- What would you do if someone in your immediate family needed 24-hour nursing care?

- How would you pay for expenses related to assisted living centers?

- Will your insurance be enough? How much will Medicare pay for long-term health care?

- At least 6.5 million people over the age of 65 need long-term care. More than 1.5 million people over the age of 65 live in nursing homes. And, after the age of 85, one out of two people will need help with daily routine activities.

Long term care policies vary. Before you purchase long-term care insurance, consider the following:

- Does the policy cover nursing home stays and for how long?

- Does it include home health care or other community based services?

- Can you afford long-term care policy? Policies differ depending on your age when you purchase the policy, your overall health condition, the type of benefits you select and the number of years you want to collect benefits. In all likelihood, the policy premiums will increase.

Remember, any insurance policy is only as good as the company behind it, so be sure you purchase a policy from a reputable and well-known company. Talk with your own insurance agent and friends and family who have purchased such policies. Check with your state insurance regulatory agency to see if the company has had any complaints filed against it.

Above all, research, research, research before you buy!

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## TAAS testing at Rule

Students in grades 4, 8, and 10 (Exit-level) at Rule ISD will be taking the TAAS (Texas Assessment of Academic Skills) test next week. The testing will begin at 8:30 a.m. Exit-level testing will take place in the school library. The schedule is as follows: Tues., Feb. 19, Writing (grades 4, 8 and Exit-level). Wed., Feb. 20, Mathematics (Exit-level only). Thurs., Feb. 21, Reading (Exit-level only).

Texas law has mandated that Texas students must pass the Exit-level TAAS by the end of the 12th grade year in order to receive a high school diploma. If a student passes all three sections of the test the first time the test is given, he or she will not be tested again. If he or she does not pass all three sections, additional tests will be administered each fall and spring through the senior year, giving the student several opportunities to pass any section (s) not mastered. A high school diploma will be awarded only after all sections have been passed.

Anyone having questions concerning the TAAS test may call the counselor's office at 997-2783.

## Skip-row system may help cotton

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**FIRST 100 DAYS PARTY**—First grade teacher Trish Johnson's students have a party cake in celebration of completing the first 100 days of the school year. Back row, l-r, are Cailey Foster, Levi Grand, Megan Martinez, Tillie McGuire and Isaiah Llewellyn. Center, l-r, Maci Colley, Morgan Frierson, J. W. Shields and Carlos Gonzalez. Front, Mercedes Helms, Macy Bingham and Jared Masias.



**100 DAYS AND COUNTING**—First grade students of teacher Doris May Watson pose with the cake they enjoyed during the party in celebration of reaching the milestone of the first 100 days of their school year. Standing, l-r, are Allison Rodriguez, Shelby Dunnam, Leslie Villareal, Preston Morrow, Melissa Farber, River McTasney and Adrian Alexander. Seated, l-r, are Shawn Duncan, David Newton, Brett Shelton, Cole Casey and Myra Rodriguez.

## MS is hard to detect

The effect multiple sclerosis has on the body is sometimes hard to detect.

Dr. Kathleen Hawker, UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas assistant professor of neurology, said symptoms like blurred vision, bladder changes, numbness or weakness can occur over hours, days or even weeks. "Symptoms can also get better over days or weeks and can recur," she said.

MS is the most common disabling neurological disorder of young people and affects about 500,000 Americans, most between the ages of 20 and 40. If you are experiencing unexplained fatigue associated with symptoms like Hawker describes, she recommends seeing your doctor.

There are affective treatments available to reduce MS attacks or slow progression of the disease," she says.

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## Chocolate doesn't cause acne breakouts

If you have acne, don't put up the candy this Valentine's day. Have your chocolate and eat it to.

"Despite the belief that chocolate causes acne, there is no scientific basis that proves this theory," said Dr. John Wolf, chairman and professor in the department of dermatology at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "Follow a 'common sense diet.' If a particular food affects your complexion, don't eat it."

Acne is a skin condition primarily affecting teenagers and nearly half of all adults. It is most often found on the face, neck, shoulder, upper back and chest in the forms of whiteheads, blackheads and pimples.

Acne is not caused by poor hygiene, but rather results from a combination of factors including heredity, hormones, natural bacteria, excess oil production and clogged pores. Other factors that can trigger acne include stress, fatigue and menstruation.

"There is a natural tendency to associate acne flare-ups with something that you can actually see, such as a candy bar. It is important to understand, however, that acne goes through a continuous cycle of ups and downs caused by factors often beyond our control," Wolf said.

Wolf offers the following tips for controlling acne:

- Avoid harsh, excessive scrubbing. Washing with abrasive cleansers can make acne worse.

- Avoid oil-based makeup. These products can irritate the skin, causing acne to worsen.

- Don't pick. Touching the skin spreads bacteria and excess oil, which could lead to breakouts.

- For a mild acne, try over-the-counter products that contain benzoyl peroxide. This is effective for killing bacteria associated with acne. If this doesn't help, see a dermatologist for prescription medication.

- Don't assume that you will outgrow acne. If left untreated, acne can cause scarring that could affect a person's physical and psychological health.

"Acne is not just a teen disease. It is a disease that can affect anyone at any stage in life," Wolf said. "The key to keeping it under control is catching the problem early and seeking treatment from a professional."

### Immunizations

The Texas Dept. of Health in Stamford will hold an immunization clinic Thurs., Feb. 14 at the Haskell National Bank Community Room, 600 S. Second St. in Haskell. Clinic times are 1 to 4 p.m.

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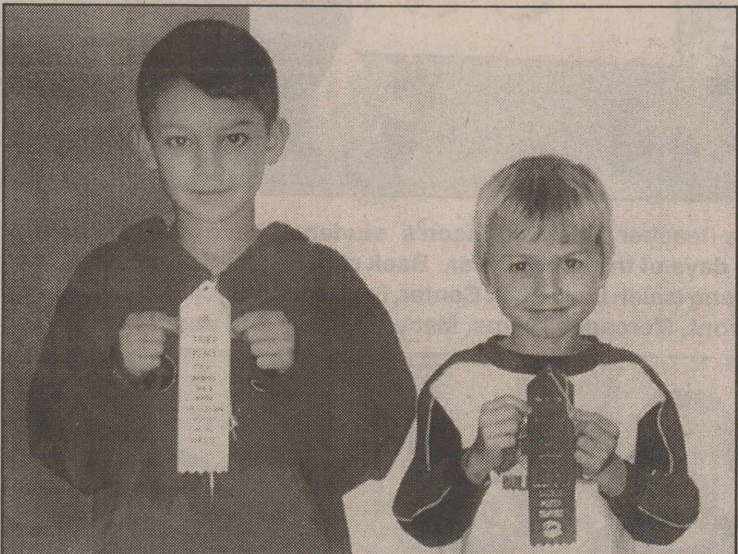
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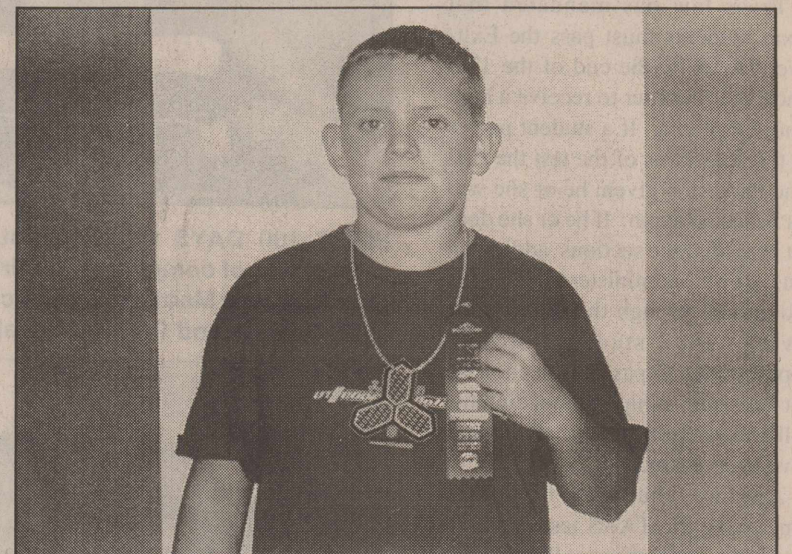
POSTER WINNERS—Paint Creek Kindergarten winners in the Soil and Water Conservation Poster Contest were: left, Kannan Pittcock, first place; Caitlin Medford, second place and Chesanie Brantley, third place.



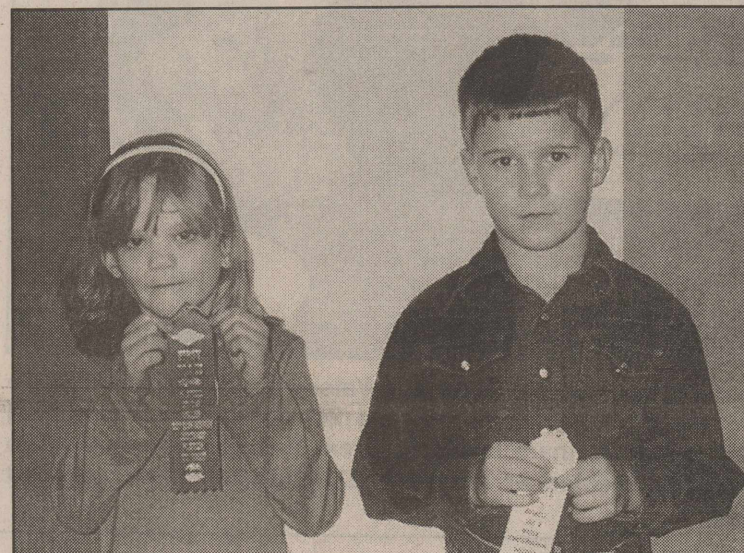
POSTER WINNERS—Paint Creek fourth grade students winning in the poster contest were: l-r, first place, Tracy Medford; second place, Jessie Pendergraft; third place, K. C. Fikes.



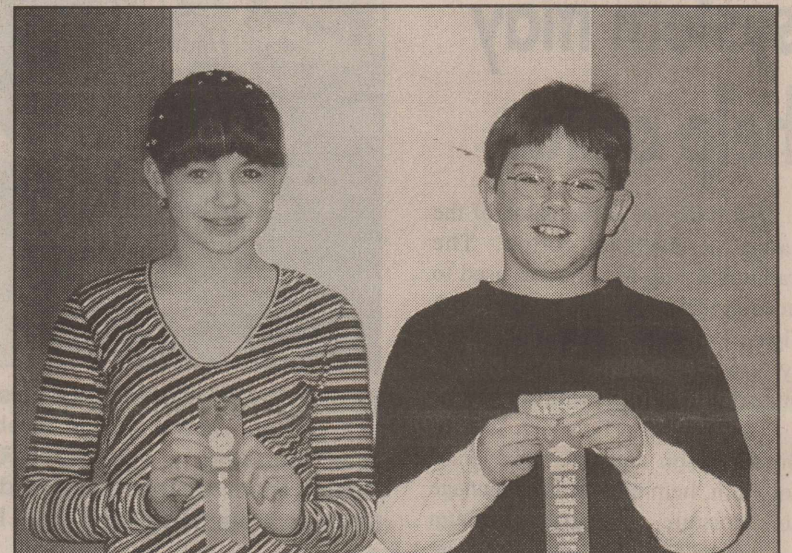
POSTER WINNERS—Paint Creek First grade winners in the poster contest were: first place, Samantha Barnett, not pictured; second place, Ceyenne Buerger, right; third place, Cannon Edwards.



POSTER WINNER—Paint Creek fifth grade student Marty Hall took first place for his Conservation poster. Not pictured are second place winner, Mariah Guerrero and third place winner, Tabitha Schonerstedt.

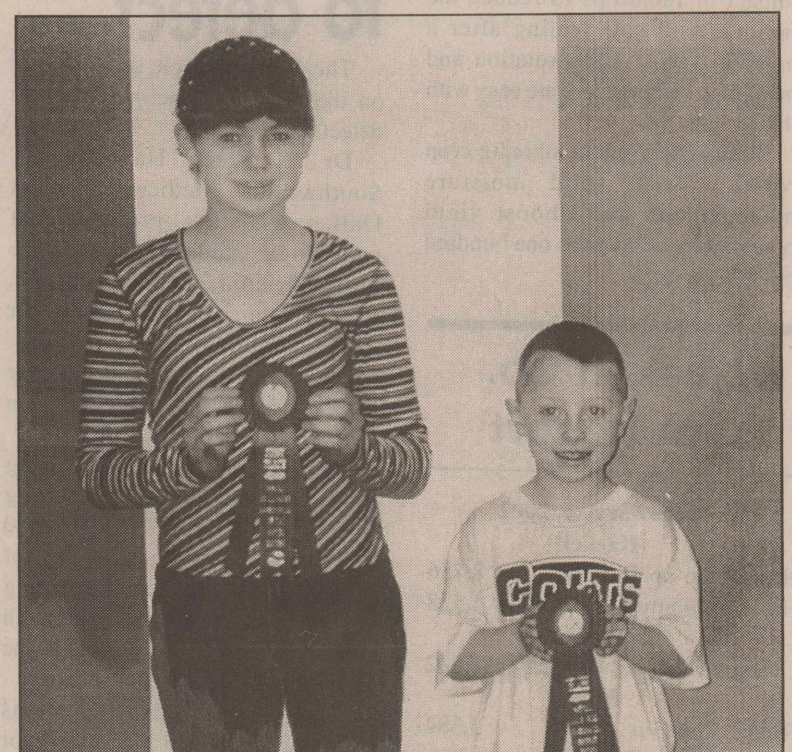


POSTER WINNERS—Paint Creek Second grade winners in the Soil and Water Conservation Poster Contest were: first place, Samantha Wade, left; second place, Haley Myers, not pictured, and third place, Dylan Huggins.



POSTER WINNERS—Paint Creek sixth grade winners in the poster contest were: l-r, first place, Kailey McCord; second place, Mike Gordy. Not pictured is Cody Enriquez, third place winner.

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OVERALL WINNERS—Paint Creek students whose posters will advance to the State Soil and Water Conservation Contest in Temple are: l-r, sixth grader Kailey McCord, first place and second grader, Dalton Barnett, second place.

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# All sheep and goats must meet new USDA regulations

by Brandon Anderson  
Haskell Co. Extension Agent

Sheep and goat industry folks owning one head or thousands need to remember that on April 1, 2002, all sheep and goats must be in compliance with the new USDA state and federal scrapie management regulations.

"These new regulations require sheep and goats to be wearing a premises identification ear tag before they are removed from your premises," said Dr. Frank Craddock, Texas Cooperative Extension state sheep and goat specialist. "It makes no difference if that place is a ranch or someone's back yard, if the animals fall within the required regulation guidelines, they must be tagged."

Information from the Texas Animal Health Commission and other government authorities indicate that scrapie is a fatal degenerative brain disease affecting sheep and goats. It was accidentally introduced into the United States in 1947.

"Lambs and kids are most susceptible to the disease," Craddock explained. The malady develops slowly, and infected animals usually don't show symptoms until they are at least 18 months old. Symptoms include weight loss, tremors, coordination loss, swaying and wool pulling.

"Past eradication efforts haven't been successful," he said. The new premises identification system will allow diseased animals to be traced back to their point of origin. Knowing the origination point is a key element in the successful eradication of the disease.

Craddock described these five sheep and goat classes that require tagging: (1.) All sheep 18 months of age or older; (2.) all breeding sheep regardless of age; (3.) sexually intact show or exhibition sheep and goats; (4.) all goats 18 months of age or older that are or have been commingled with sheep, and (5.) all breeding goats that are or have been commingled with sheep.

Wethers from either species and commercial goats that have never had contact with sheep are the only two exemptions to the tagging rule.

"To be absolutely safe and to cut down on confusion, my recommendation is to tag all female sheep and goats regardless of age and all intact males over 18 months-old when they leave your place," said Craddock. "After April 1, if you take animals to an auction without tags, the auction will tag them with their premises tags, for a fee."

Craddock added that sales transactions must be kept and recorded for five years. This can be as easy as writing the date of sale, the premised number and the sold animals' individual numbers on the side of the tag box. The premises number should also appear on all sales documents including auction check-in slips, vouchers, canceled checks and bills-of-sale.

The ear tags will carry the owner's premises number on one side along with a sequential number on the reverse side that owners may use for maintaining individual animal records.

"To get your premises identification number and order your free ear-tags, call toll-free 1-866-873-

2824," said Craddock. "White metal or white plastic tags along with a free pair of tag-pliers will be provided at no cost to the producer. It is important to remember that turn-around time on tag orders is slow, from four to eight weeks, so to meet the April 1 deadline place your orders as soon as possible."

"It is very important to realize that these new regulations have been put in place for the benefit of the U.S. sheep and goat producer. Industry leaders have been wholeheartedly behind this effort. We want to wipe this disease out of the U.S. With a scrapie-free designation, our producers can freely sell breeding stock on the world market with minimal restrictions as Australia and New Zealand now do."

Officials predict the program will help eliminate scrapie from America by 2010.

For further information contact these two web sites:  
[www.animalagriculture.org/scrapie](http://www.animalagriculture.org/scrapie) or [www.tahc.state.tx.us](http://www.tahc.state.tx.us).

## Learn to recognize diabetes symptoms

Experts agree that diabetes has become an American epidemic, but they warn that millions of Americans remain unaware that they have the disease-or that their children could have it.

"Symptoms of type 1 diabetes generally are recognized sooner in children than symptoms of type 2," says Dr. Dana Hardin, M.D., associate professor of pediatrics, UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

Hardin advises everyone to learn to recognize diabetes symptoms, which can be both similar and contradictory between types 1 and 2, whether you're an adult or child.

Hardin cites one paradox: "Many children with type 1 diabetes experience obvious obesity generally present in a child with type 2, the weight loss is unnoticed."

Other common symptoms include:

Persistent, often extreme thirst, which leads to increased urination and sometimes can lead to bed-wetting.

Becoming cranky, fussy and easily fatigued. Stomach aches, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea, which can lead to dehydration, are also common.

A family history of diabetes, obesity or any combination of the above symptoms should prompt testing for diabetes, Hardin advises.

## Smorgasbord

Members of the Bethel Lutheran Church will host a Swedish smorgasbord Sat., Feb. 23 in Ericksdahl. Tickets are \$12. Seatings are at 5:00, 6:00, 6:45 and 7:45 p.m. For reservations, call Gina Buerger 915-773-5226 or Tena Tankersley 915-773-2721.

All deadlines are 5 p.m. Monday



**GOOD MANNERS STUDENTS**—Haskell students winning the fall semester October award for having good manners in the lunch room were: back row, l-r, D. J. McCulloch, Joseph Rowland, Valerie Gonzalez, Kalyn Wheatley and Andrew Sammons. Center, Johna Messenger, cafeteria coordinator of the awards, Shelby Morrow, Katie Grand, Kimie Hutchinson, Mona Cuellar and Todd Cameron. Front, Bryan Copeland, Shelton Toliver, River McTasney and Marley Andrada.



**GOOD MANNERS AWARDS**—Haskell Elementary students display awards they earned as the fall semester Good Manners winners for November by being polite in the lunch room. Back row, l-r, are Sterling Bird, Lauren Newton, Lauren Lampe, Candace Brister, Randall Pace, Brandon Wilson and Nathan Meredith. Center, Cole Casey, Maci Colley, Kelli Ozuna, Cody Campbell and Leslie Crosson. Front, Tiffany Brewer and Nathaniel Dever.



**GOOD MANNERS WINNERS**—Haskell Elementary students receiving the fall semester Good Manners Award for December for being polite in the lunch line, not pushing or shoving, saying "Thank you", "Yes, Sir" and "No Sir," were: back row, l-r, Johna Messenger, cafeteria coordinator of the awards program; Hope Reid and Will Brueggeman. Center, Dana Rodriguez, Caitlan Johnson, Sara Duncan, Clarissa Walker, Jennifer Farber, D. J. Rodriguez. Front, Nick Arreola, Carlos Rodriguez, Aaron Waggoner, Misti Jones, Cody Benson and Joseph Rowland.

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"If someone has chest discomfort, especially with one or more of the other common symptoms, it's important to call 911 within at least five minutes. By acting quickly, a heart attack victim is less likely to experience cardiac arrest, and morbidity is reduced," said Dr. James Atkins, of UT Southwestern Allied Health Sciences School.

Classic heart-attack symptoms include chest pains and discomfort in one or both arms, the back, neck, jaw or stomach.

"Women have chest pains less frequently and are more likely than men to experience the other common symptoms, particularly shortness of breath, lightheadedness and nausea," Atkins said.



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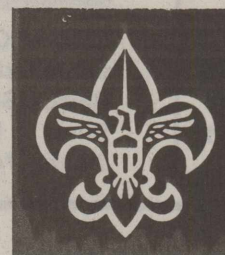
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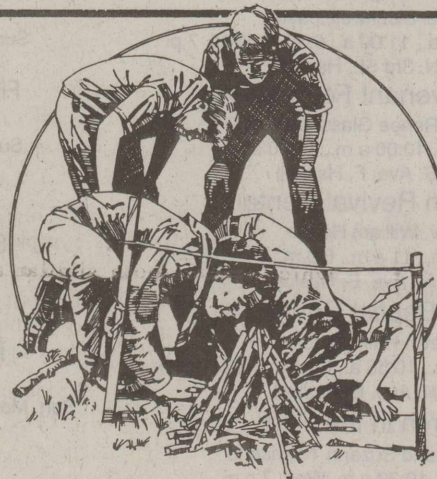


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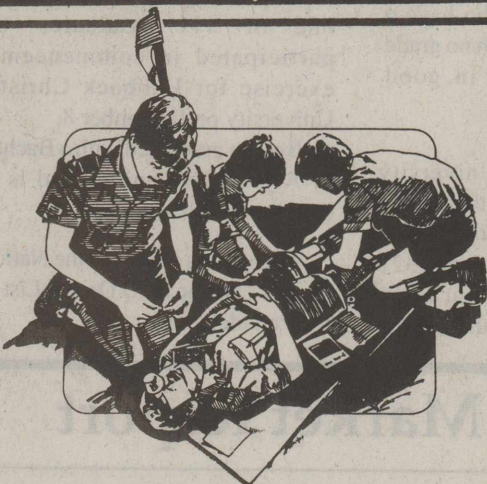
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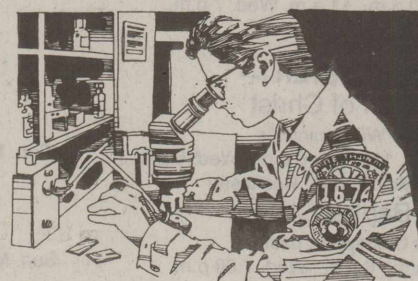
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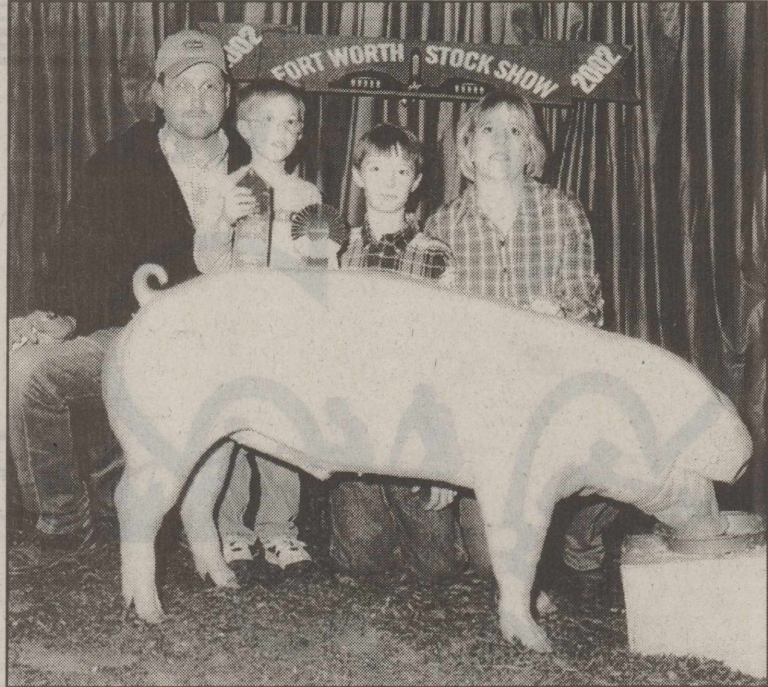
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**CHAMPIONS**—Haskell 4-H member Colton Young, kneeling center, exhibited the Champion White/Other Purebred in the Junior Barrow Show at the 2002 Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show in Fort Worth, Jan. 31. Pictured with him are his brother Jimmy Young and his parents, Brandon and Penny Anderson.

**Haskell School Menu**

**February 18-22**  
**Breakfast**  
 Juice and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.  
**Monday:** Breakfast on a stick  
**Tuesday:** Pigs in a blanket  
**Wednesday:** Breakfast pizza  
**Thursday:** Sausage, biscuit, cheese  
**Friday:** Bavarian long john  
**Lunch**  
 Milk and iced tea are served daily at the Secondary campus. Milk is served daily at the Elementary School.  
**Monday:** Roasted turkey/gravy,  
 mashed potatoes, seasoned green beans, hot rolls  
**Tuesday:** Pizza, garden salad, corn, baby carrots/ranch dressing, peanut butter pie  
**Wednesday:** Beef nachos, pinto beans, sliced jalapenos/salsa  
 Elementary: garden salad, Secondary: salad bar, ice cream  
**Thursday:** Lasagna, fried okra, mixed vegetables, bread sticks, cherry gelatin  
**Friday:** Choice: Hamburger or fish on a bun, lettuce/tomato/pickle, French fries, chocolate chip cookie

**Paint Creek School Menu**

**February 18-22**  
**Breakfast**  
 Milk and juice served daily.  
**Monday:** Cereal  
**Tuesday:** Pop Tarts  
**Wednesday:** Biscuits and gravy  
**Thursday:** Pancakes  
**Friday:** Bacon and eggs with flour tortillas  
**Lunch**  
 Milk served daily.  
**Monday:** Country fried steak,  
 creamed potatoes, green peas, gravy, peaches, rolls  
**Tuesday:** Chicken nuggets, carrots, broccoli, peas  
**Wednesday:** Spaghetti with meat sauce, corn, tossed salad, garlic bread, and apple sauce  
**Thursday:** Hamburgers with trimmings, cheese, mixed fruits  
**Friday:** Ham or pepperoni hot pockets, salsa, green beans, peanut butter cake

**ECC Calendar and Menu**


**Mon., Feb. 18**  
 9:00 a.m. Miracle Ear Hearing  
 Lunch-Chili beans and hamburger, sauerkraut salad, onion slices, mixed fruit, cookie, milk, tea, or coffee

**Fri., Feb. 22**  
 Lunch-Hamburgers, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, potato salad, dessert, milk, tea, or coffee

**Wed., Feb. 20**  
 10:00 a.m. Bingo  
 11:00 a.m. Outreach Health Services blood pressure check  
 Lunch-Pimento cheese sandwiches, tator tots, dill pickles, tossed salad, dessert, milk, tea, or coffee

Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.  
 All over 60 are invited to come and eat. Call 864-3875 for transportation to the center or for home delivered lunches for the sick or disabled.

*This Week's Devotional Message:*



We're observing a special occasion today,  
 With our love the emotion we try to portray,  
 On a beautiful card, where the verses combine  
 With some cupids and hearts in a lacy design.  
 Yet true love isn't simply delivered by mail;  
 It's the service to others we do without fail,  
 When we lend our assistance to someone in need,  
 And we worship our Father, whose lessons we heed,  
 To encourage the sick and give aid to the poor.  
 So obey the instructions of faith, and be sure  
 That your love is a thing you can never convey  
 Just by sending a greeting on Valentine's Day.

**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.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 600 N. 1st East, Haskell

**Christian Church**  
 Dusty Garison, minister  
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 107 N. Ave. F, Haskell

**Church of God**  
 James Rinker, 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**  
 Steve Beatty, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 9:30 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**  
 Bill and Renee Glass, pastors  
 Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.  
 200 S. Ave. F, Haskell

**Mission Revival Center**  
 Rev. William Hodge  
 Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Tues. 6 p.m.  
 1600 N. Ave. B, Haskell

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

**Church in the Park**  
 Rev. Tim and Suzann Townsend  
 Sun. Morn. 10:30 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.  
 Gazebo or Pavillion

**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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**ROCHESTER**

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

**First Baptist Church**  
 Troy Culppepper, pastor  
 Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m.  
 500 Main, Rochester

**Union Chapel Baptist Church**  
 Rev. Clarence Walker  
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
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**O'BRIEN**

**O'Brien Baptist Church**  
 Kyle Gulledege, pastor  
 Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 5 p., 6 p, Wed. 6 p.m.  
 O'Brien

**FAITH CHAPEL OF ROCHESTER**  
 Katherine Byrd, minister  
 Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m.  
 Hwy 6, Rochester

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

**SAGERTON**

**Sagerton Methodist Church**  
 Tommy Wilson, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.  
 Sagerton

**Faith Lutheran Church**  
 Deborah Nissen, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. 9:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 Sagerton

**RULE**

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

**Primitive Baptist Church**  
 Dale Turner Jr., pastor  
 First & Third Sundays 10 a.m.  
 Corner of 8th & Robins, Rule

**Church of Christ**  
 John Greeson, minister  
 Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 811 Union, Rule

**First United Methodist Church**  
 Shane Brue, pastor  
 Sun. Morn. Worship 9 a.m.  
 Sunday School 10 a.m.  
 1000 Union Ave., Rule

**Primera Iglesia Bautista**  
 Arturo Jr. Flores  
 Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
 Elm Street/Hwy 380 E, Rule

**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**  
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 Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.  
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**Students in the News**

Blayne Davis of Paint Creek and Nicole McCulloch of Haskell were named to the A Honor Roll and Distinguished Student list at Tarleton State University for the Fall 2002 semester. These students had a 4.0 grade point ratio (GPR) on the 4.0 system and were taking a minimum of 12 hours.

Mindy Howard of Haskell was named to the Tarleton University Distinguished Student list, which includes freshman and sophomore students who have a minimum GPR of 3.25 with no grade lower than C, and junior and seniors who have a minimum GPR of 3.50 with no grade lower than C and are in good standing.

West Texas A&M University Canyon has named more than 1,100 students to honor lists for the fall 2001 semester. Of that total, 321 were named to the President's List and 873 were named to the Dean's List.

Students named to the President's List must have a grade point average (GPA) between 3.25 and 3.85 and carry a minimum of 12 undergraduate honors.

Those named to the Dean's List must have a GPA between 3.25 and 3.85 and carry a minimum of 12 undergraduate hours.

Area honors were given to Johanna L. Payne, a senior Psychology student from Haskell.

Nacole Beeson of Haskell, was one of 111 graduates who participated in commencement exercise for Lubbock Christian University on December 8.

Beeson graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Humanities and is the daughter of Sharon Lefevre.

Nacole was named to the National Dean's List, the LCU Dean's List and the President's List.

**Cattle Market Report**

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 435 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., Feb. 9, according to Gary Tate, reporter.

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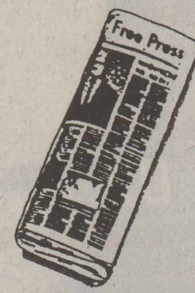




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Sincerely,  
Willie Buerger  
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Sealed proposals for highway improvement contracts will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.  
**CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE CONTRACT(S)**  
District: Abilene  
Contract 6082-17-001 for ROUTINE STREET SWEEPING in HASKELL County, etc. will be opened on February 27, 2002 at 2:00 p.m. at the District Office for an estimate of \$70,677.00.  
Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or District Offices listed below. Bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.  
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State Office: Construction Division, 200 E. Riverside Dr., Austin, Texas 78704. Phone 512-416-2540.  
District Office(s): Abilene District, District Engineer, 4250 N. Clack, Abilene, Texas 79601. Phone 915-676-6800.  
Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin. 6-7c

**POL CALENDAR**  
The Haskell Free Press is authorized to make the following announcement for the political office in Haskell County, subject to the action of the 2002 Primaries.  
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We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Haskell Healthcare Center staff, Haskell Memorial Hospital staff, Dr. McSmith and Jamie Caldwell. The care and concern you gave our mother, Zora Medford, means more than words could ever express.  
Thanks to Rev. Shane Brue for the wonderful service, Brian Burgess and Nelda Lane for the beautiful music. Thanks to the Methodist ladies for the wonderful lunch.  
Also, a special thanks to all who sent food, memorials, flowers and cards following her death. Your kindness and generosity meant so much and is greatly appreciated.  
Thanks again,  
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**CELEBRATING 100**—Students of first grade teacher Marijane Cunningham celebrate the first 100 days of their school year with a party, Jan. 30. Pictured, back row, l-r, are Ashley Adams, Maegan Gonzales, Victor Vasquez, Trevor Reese and Madison Mayfield. Center, Ashley Pendergraft, Ryan Markey, Hunter Jordan, Carson Hadaway and Taylor Burson. Front, Cheyanne Hill, Cole Hutchinson, Drake Everett and Caitlan Johnson.



**ESSAY WINNERS**—Paint Creek students winning in the VFW and Ladies Auxiliary youth essay contest were: front, l-r, Jessica Messenger, third place; Adam Olson, second place and Callie Thomasson, first place. Pictured, back, are: VFW Ladies Auxiliary sponsors, Joyce Lewis, Kathy Stone, Dee Whitfield and eighth grade English teacher Darlene Hopkins.

## Paint Creek students enter essay contest

Students in the Paint Creek ISD eighth grade English class recently participated in a youth essay contest sponsored nationwide by the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) and its Ladies Auxiliary.

The theme of this year's patriotic writing competitions "Is Freedom Really Free?" was chosen by the

VFW's Commander-in-Chief. The 300 to 400 word essay must be a contestant's original work and a product of the contestant's own thinking.

The winners at the local level are: Callie Thomasson, first place; Adam Olson, second place; Jessica

Messenger, third place. The winner receives a \$50.00 U.S. savings bond and will advance to the district competition. The first place national winner receives a \$10,000.00 savings bond and a cost-free trip to the VFW's Community Service Conference.

## Silver-Haired Legislature filing deadline is Feb. 28

The Texas Silver-Haired Legislature is a dedicated group of advocates who provide valuable insight on aging issues during the Texas Legislative Session and who give older Texans an opportunity to become more knowledgeable about the Legislative process through involvement.

Persons 60 years of age and older who live in the nineteen counties of West Central Texas may become a representative of the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature (TSHL).

Silver-Haired Legislators also promote good government for all Texans through active participation

in public affairs and by providing an avenue by which older Texans may serve as a resource to public and private sectors, boards and commissions as well as provide services that will complement other senior citizens groups, organizations and agencies.

Anyone who is registered Texas voter aged 60 or older and living in the West Central Texas region, may file as a candidate for election to the TSHL. The filing deadline is Feb. 28, 2002. Terms are for two years, and a \$5.00 filing fee is required. No compensation is provided to TSHL members.

West Central Texas has four regions and will elect one representative from each region. Region 3 includes Haskell, Fisher, Kent, Knox, Mitchell, Nolan, Scurry and Stonewall Counties. The current Region 3 TSHL is Gwynn Myers of Aspermont, and he is expected to file for re-election.

Anyone interested in receiving additional information and/or forms may visit the West Central Texas Area Agency on Aging at 1025 E.N. 10th St., Abilene, or contact Gail Kaiser at 915-672-8544 in Abilene, or 1-800-928-2262.

## Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Marvin Letz celebrated his 85th birthday Thurs., Feb. 7 at his home with a surprise birthday party. Thirty-four guests attended and were served birthday cake, punch and various refreshments. On Friday, his children Fred and Linda Letz and Dana of Colleyville, Sandra and Mike Parker of Norman, Okla., and Marlene and Kent Denton of Dallas visited and took him to The Branding Iron for a birthday supper. Saturday they all enjoyed lunch together before heading back home.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Pannell and children, Lauren and Michell of

Throckmorton, visited at Trinity Baptist on Sunday morning, then they visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. Charles Blair in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Hawkins and daughter, Britney, visited his mother, Joyce Hawkins, Thursday afternoon.

Cloa Parsons and daughter Heather, of Mansfield spent Wednesday night with her sister and aunt and visited other relatives while here.

Tamera Hearn and son, Dakota of Irving visited with her mother Charlene Hawkins over the week-

end. Mr. and Mrs. Garry Walters of Abilene visited his dad, Wayne Walters on Sunday.

Faye Gray went to Brownwood to a lady's retreat Friday and Saturday. On Sunday afternoon she went to Hamlin to a Sunday School Conference.

Bernice Hilliard attended the monthly square dance at Tye on Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Ballard spent the afternoon Saturday in Abilene shopping and visiting daughter Mindy Ballard.

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