

Softball games

JV Maidens vs Aspermont
Fri., Mar. 22, 4:30 p.m.
at Aspermont

V Maidens vs Albany
Fri., Mar. 22, 6 p.m.
at Albany

JV, V Maidens vs Anson
Tues., Mar. 26, 4:30 & 6 p.m.
at Anson

Baseball games

JV Indians vs Jim Ned
Fri., Mar. 22, 5 p.m., at Haskell

JV Indians vs Albany
Mon., Mar. 25, 5 p.m., at Albany

V Indians vs Anson
Tues., Mar. 26, 4 p.m., at Anson

Track

Indians, Maidens
Knox City Relays
Sat., Mar. 23

Indians, Maidens
San Angelo Relays
Fri. & Sat., Mar. 22-23

Golf

Indians & Maidens
at Maxwell Golf Course, Olney
Thurs., March 21, 8 a.m.

Calendar

4-H Fashion Show

The Haskell Co. 4-H Fashion Show will be held Sun., March 24 at 3:30 p.m. at the Haskell High School Auditorium. Clothing projects either constructed or purchased by the 4-H'ers will be modeled. Awards will be presented and refreshments will be served. The Haskell Jr. and Sr. 4-H Clubs are hosting the event. For more information call the Texas Cooperative Extension-Haskell County Office at 940-864-2658.

Old Glory musical

The Old Glory Musical will be held Sat., March 23 at the Community Center in Old Glory. The best little concession stand in Texas will open at 5:30 and the music will start at 6 p.m. No admission is charged. For more information call 940-989-2925 or 989-2833.

Society to meet

The Haskell County Historical & Genealogical Society will meet Mon., April 1 in Haskell City Hall at 7 p.m. Chase Seelke will read his paper about Bob Easterling. Sydney Brueggeman will read her paper about Ervin Frierson. Both are students of Darlene Bellinghausen.

Blood drive

The Meek Blood Center will hold a blood drive Tues., March 26 from 1 to 6 p.m. at Haskell Memorial Hospital.

Immunizations

The Texas Dept. of Health in Stamford will hold an immunization clinic Thurs., March 21 at the Haskell National Bank Community Room in Haskell. Clinic times are 1 to 4 p.m. For more information, call 915-773-5681.

Hee Haw

The Sagerton Hee Haw will be held Thurs., Fri., and Sat., April 4, 5 and 6 beginning at 8 p.m. each evening. Thursday's performance is sold out. Tickets for the Friday and Saturday performances go on sale Thurs., March 21 at 3 p.m. at the Sagerton Community Center. Tickets are \$4 each and may also be obtained by calling 940-997-2688. Ticket sales are limited to ten tickets per person. Plate lunches, sandwiches and pies will be available in the cafeteria beginning at 5:30 p.m.

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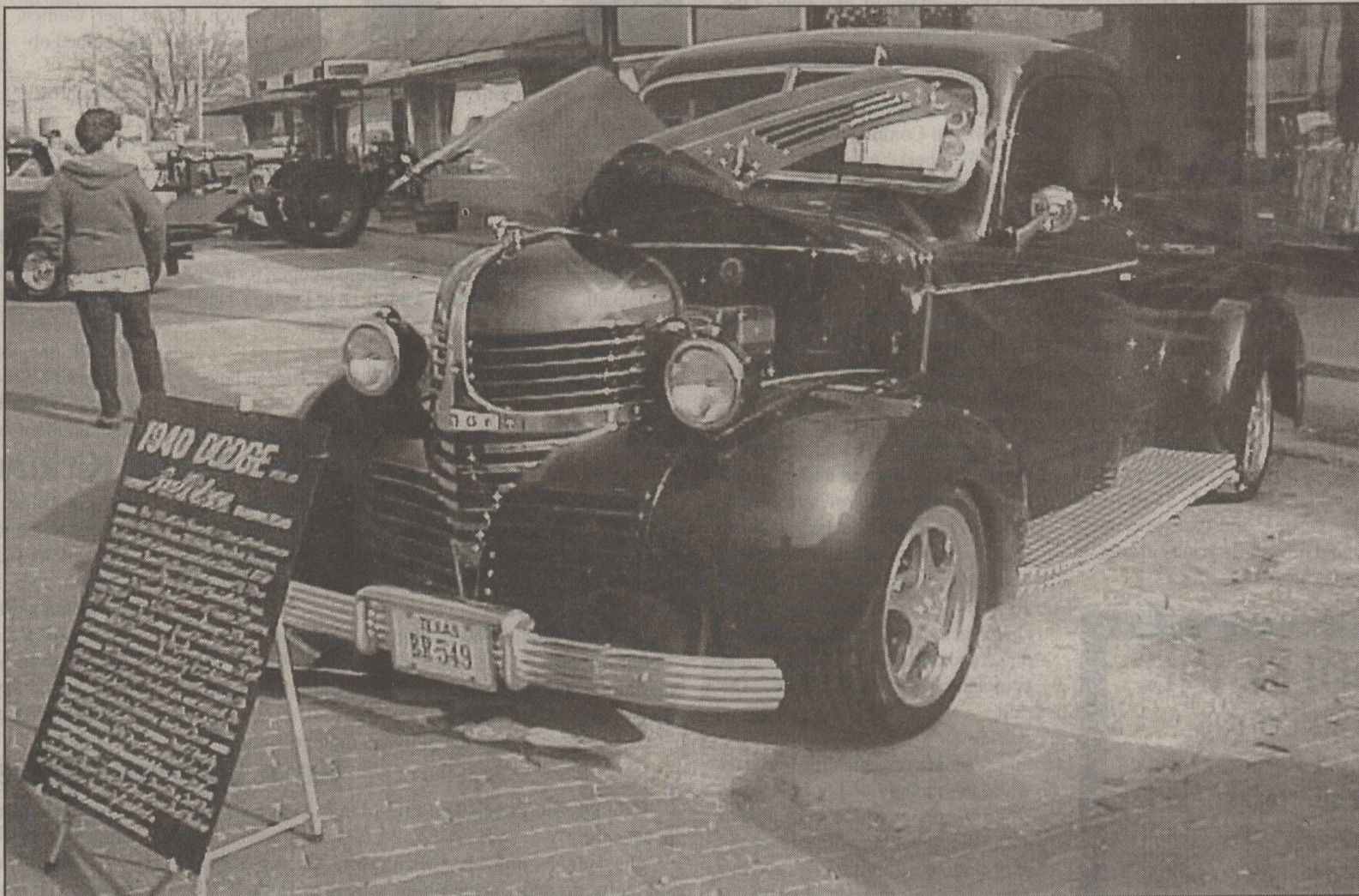
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"The People's Choice"

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CLASSIC TRUCK—The vintage 1940 Dodge pickup belonging to Les Wilson of Garland won Best of Show award at the Volunteer

Fire Department Car Show, Sat., Mar. 16. Entries came from as far away as Oklahoma and from a wide area across Texas.

104 enter local car show

One hundred four vehicles were entered in the Haskell Volunteer Fire Department Classic Car Show held Sat., Mar. 16, helping to make the annual event another good one.

Winners in the eleven classes were:

Cars, Pre-'64 class: 1st, Danny Baldwin of Abilene '55 Chevrolet; 2nd, Eddie Armstrong of Graham, '60 Corvette; 3rd, Jerry Stocks of Haskell '55 Ford.

Cars '65 and up: 1st, Kenny Walker of Burkburnett, '70 Chevy SS 454; 2nd, Tony Sweatman of Merkel, '72 Chevy Chevelle; 3rd, John McLean of Vernon, '69 Chevy Camaro.

Antique Cars, Trucks thru '50: 1st, Kendal Smart of Aspermont, '50 Chevy pickup; 2nd Lawrence Huff of Cushing, Oklahoma, '47 Dodge pickup; 3rd, James Dunlap of Haskell, '47 IH pickup.

Street Rods Pre '49: Ron Kitchens of Dripping Springs, '41 Ford convertible; 2nd, Eddie Baugh of Clyde, Chev. coupe; 3rd, Hollis Chandler of Denton, '33 Plymouth sedan.

Race Cars: 1st, Owen Smedley of Abilene, '48 Anglia 2 door; 2nd, James and Billie Lindsey of Haskell, '90 Camaro; 3rd, Coy Scoggins of Haskell, '70 Chevy Nova.

Older Pickups Pre '84: 1st, Les Wilson of Garland, '40 Dodge pickup; 2nd, Leighton Witt of Abilene, '71 Chevy pickup; 3rd, John Bethel of Abilene, '56 Ford pickup.

Pickups '85 and up: 1st, Jason Stouder of Wichita Falls, '91 GMC pickup; 2nd, Wayne Cray of Burkburnett, '85 Chevy pickup; 3rd, Tyrone Thomas of Fort Worth, '96 Chevy S-10.

Antique Tractors: 1st, Joe Kimbrough of Haskell, '51 John Deere; 2nd, Gene Perry of Big Spring, '32 Farmall Reg; 3rd, Glynn Lovvorn of Stamford, '16 Moline.

Motorcycles: 1st, Kirby Krupa of Abilene, with a '00 H. D. Road King; 2nd, Les Wilson of Garland, '62 Cushman; 3rd, Tim Claybrook of Abilene, '00 Ultra Fat Pounder.

Restoration in Progress: 1st, Shirley Bethel of Abilene, '56 Ford F-100; 2nd, Dean and Mary Wilson of Abilene, '50 Ford coupe; 3rd, Glen

Large of Knox City, '64 Ford Galaxie.

Jr. Dragsters: 1st, Ryder Goosen of Cisco, '99 Jr. Dragster; 2nd Brett Siegfried of Haskell.

Best of Show winner was Les Wilson, '40 Dodge pickup. The People's Choice winner was Lonnie Rolks of Rule, '65 Ford Mustang.

Winners of the Hot Wheels Races for Kids were: 1st, Bryson Young and 2nd, Morgan Frierson.

Fifty-four youngsters competed in the Pedal Pull, sponsored by Bill Wilson Motor Company and Quality Implement Company.

Winners by age group were: (*denotes State Qualifiers)

Four Year Old: 1st, Trey Lira*, 2nd, Riley Meizer*; 3rd, Jacie Klose.*

Five Year Old: 1st, Max Weise*;

2nd, Breann Gibbs*; 3rd, Blade Siegfried*; 4th Reed Lee; 5th Tanner Greenroy.

Six Year Old: Sydney Franklin*; 2nd, Elizabeth Bowers*; 3rd, Colton Farthing*; 4th, Shelton Toliver*; 5th Morgan Frierson.

Seven Year Old: 1st Cole Hutchinson*; 2nd, Casey Crawford*; 3rd, River McTasney; 4th, James Bowers; 5th, Jasmine Klose*

Eight Year Old: 1st, Brady Leach*; 2nd, Leslie Crosson*; 3rd, Mona Cuellar*; 4th, Katlyn Shelton; 5th, Koby Foster*; 6th, Bryson Young.

Nine Year Old: 1st, Alec Goodrey*; 2nd, Sara Weise*; 3rd, Tyler Rodriguez*; 4th, Kelsie Adams*; 5th, Andrew Dempsey; 6th Jordan Whisenhunt; 7th, Ryder

Goosen.

Ten Year Old: 1st, Katie Grand*; 2nd, Elton Frierson*, 3rd, Tyler Rodriguez*; 4th, Laura Bowers*, 5th, Daryl Tucker; 6th McKenzie Barrington; 7th, Cody Shook.

Eleven Year Old: 1st, Will Brueggeman*; 2nd, Kimie Hutchinson*; 3rd, Austin Berry*; 4th, Brittney Marley*; 5th Raul Villereal; 6th, D. J. Siegfried; 7th, Luke Terry. This group pulled a record amount of weight, setting a new record for competitions.

Twelve Year Old: 1st, Clyde Frierson*; 2nd, Taylor Williams*; 3rd, tie, Randall Pace and Greg Guzman; 4th Travis Adams; 5th Aaron Rodriguez; 6th Zack Young.

The top two finishing boys and the top two finishing girls qualify to advance to State competition.

Sheriff announces drug bust

Haskell County Sheriff David Halliburton announced this week that a local drug dealer who openly "thought himself untouchable has been touched." Along with his girl friend he has been taken into custody on first degree felony charges for delivery of cocaine and on state jail felony charges for possession of marijuana.

Sheriff Halliburton also announced that six other people were arrested for marijuana and methamphetamine within the county. All arrests were made from the execution of search warrants.

The Sheriff gave credit to the combined efforts of all the local Haskell County Law Enforcement Agencies and the help of local citizens, which he appreciated very much.

In making the announcement, Sheriff Halliburton said he is committed to working with all of the agencies and all of the people of the county in removing drugs from Haskell County.

"All information and help in this difficult task is welcomed," he said, adding that he commends the unity of all working together to accomplish the arrest and removal of drug dealers in Haskell County.

All-District basketball teams listed

Members of the Haskell boys basketball team named to the All-District 2002 First Team are Cliff McGuire, senior, and Leon Goudeau, junior. Named to the Second Team were Eddie Loyd, junior, and Kyle Hunt, senior.

Receiving Honorable Mention were Zac McGuire, senior and Josh Webb, junior. The Fighting Heart award went to Leon Goudeau.

Named to the Academic All-District Team were: Ryan Burgess, Leon Goudeau, Josh Webb, Kyle Hunt and Zac McGuire.



CLASSIC CAR—The 1965 Ford Mustang entered in the Haskell Volunteer Fire Department's Classic Car Show by owner Lonnie

Rolks of Rule won the People's Choice award Sat., Mar. 16. One hundred four vehicles were entered in the twelve categories.

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Burgess named music minister

By Mary Kaigler

Brian Burgess of Haskell, who has been self-employed full time in his State Farm Insurance Agency since 1977, is now also employed part time as music minister of the First Baptist Church in Haskell.

Although just recently named to the new position, Burgess' whole experience of life could be said to have been spent in preparation for it and is certainly not new to the requirements of such a position.

Beginning at the early age of thirteen through eighteen, he served as music director at 3rd Ave. Baptist Church in Ballinger. At the age of fifteen through eighteen he was music director of the business Men's Downtown Bible class in Ballinger

and radio host for KRUN.

During 1971-74, while in college at Hardin-Simmons, he worked as music and youth director at Kerrville Baptist Church, 1st Baptist Churches in Knox City and Munday, and the Avoca Baptist Church. Graduating in 1974 from Hardin-Simmons with a Bachelor of Science degree in education and a minor in speech and drama, he taught at both Weinert ISD and Lueders-Avoca ISD until 1976; coaching, teaching literature, music and speech.

In May 1974 he married Jennifer Guess. The couple's children are Casey, 23, Bree, 21 and Ryan, 17.

From 1977 to 1984 he served as music and youth director for the Haskell First United Methodist

Church, and during the next five years was an interim music director at First Baptist Churches in Stamford, Munday, Knox City and Aspermont, as well as interim pastor at East Side Baptist Church in Haskell. From 1978 to the present he has taught a Sunday School class at Haskell First Baptist Church and has participated in the church Jail Ministry since 1996.

In addition to his church work, Burgess has been involved in community activities. Among these are serving as president of the Haskell CISD School Board, president of the Haskell County Welfare Board for five or six years, chairman of Haskell Red Cross Bloodmobile more than ten years and member of the Haskell Chamber of Commerce (one year as board member). A twenty-five year member of the Haskell Lions Club, he served four different terms as its president and currently serves as Lion song leader and Lion zone chairman.

"Brian has always been involved and active in the music programs of the church," said Pat Grand, First Baptist Church secretary. "Writing dramas, directing, singing, acting and building props; he is a talented asset to us. We are blessed and happy to have him be a part of our church ministry team, and that he will allow God to use his talent and time in this way." She added that his family has also always been involved in the church activities. "Jennifer plays the piano and organ and provides a great complement to Brian's efforts," she said.

Harmony of life is said to be the inner cadence of contentment we feel when the melody of life is in tune; when somehow, we've been able to strike the right chord-to balance the expectations of our families and our responsibilities in the world with our inner needs for spiritual growth and personal expression. This is a difficult challenge; one that requires making choices every day. Full-time businessman Brian Burgess seems to have made the right choices; using his considerable gifts of creativity and commitment and sharing the harmony of his life with others.

A pot luck luncheon is being held in his honor Sun., Mar. 24 at First Baptist Church.

Garden Club meets

The Haskell Garden Club met March 14, in the home and shop of Melba Lowrance. Melba gave a tour of her shop and explained how she and her husband started their business. Melba's first items included Mother's Pins and pine planters. Melba told of how the use of jewelry goes back to biblical days. Each lady present was given a packet with items to make their own bracelet.

The crape myrtles were planted at the gazebo on the courthouse lawn. The spring convention will be in Snyder, March 23. Several ladies plan to attend.

Attending were Wanda Ham, Hazel Hale, Betty LeFevre, Mary Kammenga, Erna Peiser, Margie Dorner, Florence Alexander, Melyn Wittenborn, Grace Hannsz, Melba Lowrance, Sue Hertel and Frances Bowen. The next meeting will be April 11.

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Obituaries

Evelyn Pruitt Ulmer



EVELYN ULMER

Fairview Cemetery at Sagerton under the direction of Tankersley Funeral Home.

Born Sept. 27, 1916 in Turnersville, she was the daughter of Jesse and Allie Pruitt. She was the youngest of nine siblings. She married Alvin Ulmer April 22, 1939. They have been residents of the Sagerton community since 1941. Ev was a member of Sagerton Methodist Church, a charter member of the Sagerton Hobby Club and was active in the Sagerton Community Center which selected her Women of the Year in 1984. She helped operate the family farm.

She was preceded in death by a son, Winston.

Survivors include her husband, Alvin, of Sagerton; one daughter-in-law, Mary Ulmer of Seguin; one

daughter and son-in-law, Jana and Keith Whitaker of Meeker, Colo.; three grandsons, Brad and wife, Dora Ulmer of Seabrook, Mark Ulmer of Houston and Kyle and wife, Sherry Whitaker of Eagle, Colo.; two granddaughters, Paige and husband, Mark Stockard of Katy and Stacey and husband, Jim Burke of Meeker, Colo.; nine great grandchildren; and one sister, Jean Gilcrease of Metarie, Louisiana.

Pallbearers were Brad Ulmer, Mark Ulmer, Kyle Whitaker, Mark Stockard, Jim Burke and Kevin Meier. Honorary pallbearers were members of the Sagerton Hobby Club.

Memorials may be made to the Sagerton United Methodist Church of the Sagerton (Fairview) Cemetery. PD. NOTICE

Joyce (Jetton) Cooper

Memorial services for Joyce (Jetton) Cooper, formerly of Haskell, were held Mon., March 18 at Dodge Chapel in Tuscon, Arizona.

Mrs. Cooper died Wed., March 13 in a Tuscon hospital.

Survivors include her husband, Louis B. Cooper; two

daughters, Cynthia Stewart of Kansas City, Missouri and Carolyn Imhoff of Chandler, Arizona; one son, Lester Cooper of Tuscon, Arizona; her mother, Velma Jetton of Haskell; one sister, Nelda Jennette of Warner Robbins, Georgia; two brothers, Tom Jetton of San Jose, California and Doyle K. Jetton of Lakewood, Colorado; five grandchildren and two great grandchildren. PD. NOTICE

William Frank Kirkland

Graveside services for William Frank Kirkland, 65, of Haskell were held Sun., March 17 at Willow Cemetery in Haskell with Rev. Kenneth Blair officiating. Services were under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Kirkland died Wed., March 13 in Plano. Born March 5, 1937 in Springtown, he served four years overseas in the Marine Corps. He was a retired welder.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Kattie Wil-

son; his father, Dee Kirkland; one sister, Billie Jean Walters; and one brother, Charles Dee Kirkland.

Survivors include a special friend, Vivian Kirkland of Plano; two daughters, Teresa Kirkland of Houma, Louisiana and Misty Greene of Magnolia; two sons, Wade Kirkland of Houma, Louisiana and Charles Kirkland of Magnolia; one brother, B. D. Kirkland Jr. of Fort Worth; three sisters, Myrl Andress of Haskell, Cloa Keesee of Abilene and Virginia Bowen of Knox City; and six grandchildren. PD. NOTICE

Kate Darnell Mears

Kate Darnell Mears died Fri., March 15 at her home in Menard.

The daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Darnell, she grew up and finished high school in Haskell. She married Edward L. Mears of Menard Dec. 3, 1938. They lived in Menard all their married life.

She was preceded in death by her husband and one daughter, M. Jane Hall.

Survivors include one daughter, Melinda Bradford of Austin; one son, Ed L. Mears Jr. of Austin; six grandchildren; one sister, Winnie Sherman of Haskell; and one brother, Robert Darnell of Haskell. PD. NOTICE

Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Hyrum and Jean Richards and Lois Redwine recently visited in Albuquerque with son and grandson and family, Brady and Melanie Henshaw, daughter, Savannah and new son, Phillip Scott. Another son and grandson and family, Scott, Kelli and son, Connor Henshaw of Casper, Wyo. came down. The men played golf and the women and children visited points of interest, including the Albuquerque Zoo.

On Tuesday afternoon Joyce's daughter, Yvonne Huffines of Dimmitt came and stayed until Thursday for a visit on Spring break. She works in the Dimmitt School system.

Cody Blair of Olney came for his grandmother, Jean Blair, and went to Rudy, Ark, where Mr. and Mrs. Charles Flannery live. She is the daughter of Jean and mother of Cody. They stayed for the weekend.

Bobby and Darlene Hawkins of Lewisville visited his mother, Joyce, and other relatives over the weekend and attended the open house at the Lone Star Game room.

Mr. and Mrs. David Conn and girls Sabrina and Amber and Denise brother Doug Carroll of Weinert went to Burnet on Wednesday and stayed until Sunday, attending the final memorial services of John Conn in San Angelo.

A pink and blue baby shower was given on Saturday afternoon at the Haskell National bank building in honor of Tamera Hearn of Irving for

pink and Connie Mullin of Aspermont for blue. About 25 attended. It was hosted by Margaret and Creora Tatum.

Michelle Pannel of Throckmorton came by Friday and picked up her sister, Vickie Hawkins, and went to Abilene for a day out.

Jaye Jetton has been gone to Montana to visit her daughters and their families, Jackie and Sandra. While there, they visited family in Mousella, Montana where a grandson lives. Daughter and husband Sandra and Don Stafford brought her home and will stay a few days.

Area Track Results

Boys

Several Haskell athletes competed in the Possum Kingdom Relays, Sat., Mar. 16. Emanuel Gonzales placed third in the 400 with the time of 53.35. Eddie Loyd placed third in Long Jump, with 20-4.

Girls

Cow Country Relays
Placing first in the 2 mile was Caddell of Rule, with 13:34.6.
Placing in three events, Lisle of Rule took first in High Jump, with 4-10; first in Pole Vault with 5-6 and first in Triple Jump with 32-7.

Spring Fling scheduled April 15-19 in Brownwood

by Lou Gilly

Haskell Co. Extension Agent

Spring Fling '02 and Texas Friendly are both a priority at the Texas 4-H Center located on Lake Brownwood. Spring Fling '02 is sponsored by the Texas Cooperative Extension Service is for folks 50 and older.

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TLR adviser to speak at Lions Club Tuesday

Jay Lawrence, an adviser to Texans for Lawsuit Reform (TLR), will speak to the Lions Club of Haskell about lawsuit reform issues at noon, Tues., March 26 at the Haskell City Hall.

The presentation will address the economic impact frivolous lawsuits have on Texas businesses and taxpayers. The presentation will concentrate on recent legislative

measures designed to address lawsuit abuse in Texas and outline future legislative priorities for Texans concerned about the issue.

In addition to discussing frivolous lawsuits, Lawrence will address class action lawsuits, laws that don't allow Texas juries to assign fault to all guilty parties, and excessive legal fees and how these issues impact all Texans.

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Tax records. Keep tax returns (and any records used to prepare them) for at least three years after you file the return if you have only W-2 and interest income, preferably seven years if your returns are more complex. That's because the IRS can audit your return for up to three years after it's filed-up to six years if you underreport income.

If you own property or businesses in more than one state, check the statute of limitations in each state since some are longer than the federal statute. Save copies of the tax returns themselves permanently because you might need information in the returns for other purposes.

Homeowner and personal records. Keep homeowner records (deeds, escrow statements, mortgage and title papers, etc.) at least seven years after your home sells. For household purchases and home repairs, keep receipts and cancelled checks for the warranty period of the item. Before you toss insurance policies, check with your agent. Generally, you'll want to hold insurance policies for the life of the policy plus three years.

Investments. Keep monthly or quarterly investment statements until you receive the year-end summary. Save year-end statements and ownership papers until you liquidate the investment, plus seven years. Retain annual reports for IRAs and other retirement plans permanently.

Estate papers. Make a list of your valuables (including descriptions, costs and acquisition dates) and where your important papers are stored. Give a copy of the list to your attorney and to a trusted relative.

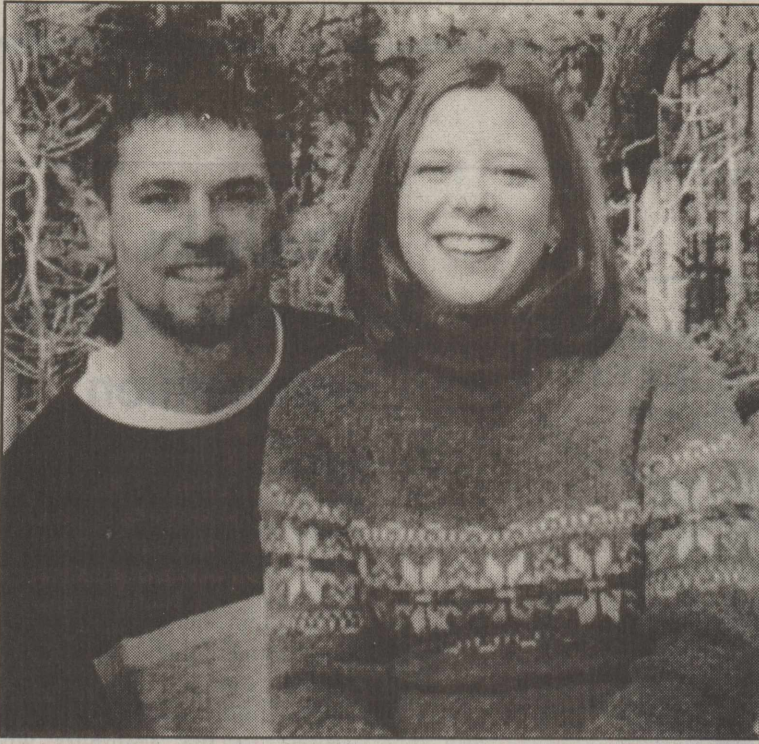
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JAMES KING - NICKY McCULLOCH

McCulloch, King to marry in Glen Rose

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan McCulloch of Haskell have announced the engagement of their daughter, Nicky LeAnn McCulloch to James Evan King, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kent King of Graham.

The bride-elect graduated from Haskell High School in 1998 and from Tarleton State University in December 2001 with a degree in Interdisciplinary Studies.

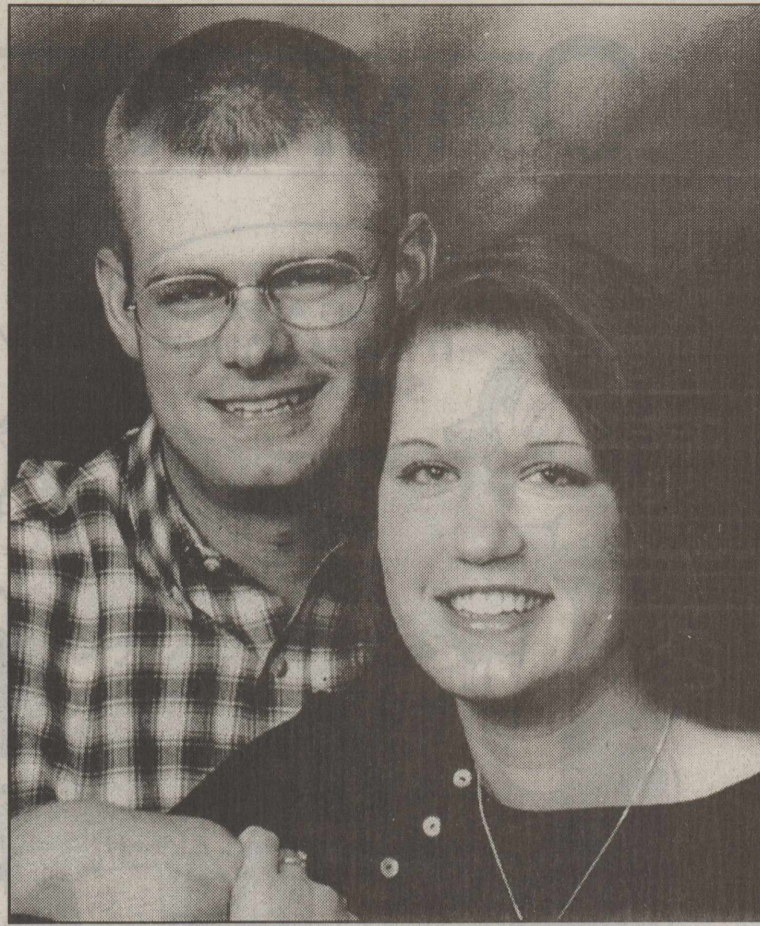
The prospective bridegroom graduated from Graham High School

in 1998. He is currently attending Vernon College and is employed by Mercer Drilling in Decatur.

Grandparents of the bride-elect are Dick and Joann Vestal of Baird and June McCulloch and the late G. W. McCulloch of Scranton.

Grandparents of the prospective groom are Elbert King of Graham and the late Frances Crick and Nancy and Sammy Holley of Olney.

A June wedding is planned at Chapel in the Woods in Glen Rose.



JIM CRAWFORD - TARRYN ROARK

Roark, Crawford plan June wedding

Jureta and Dwayne Roark of Cheyenne, Oklahoma, and Kim and Robert Crawford of Tahoka are happy to announce the engagement of their children, Tarryn and Jim.

The couple will be married June 1, in a ceremony in Cheyenne.

Tarryn Roark graduated from Lubbock Christian University in December with a Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics. Jim Crawford will graduate in May from Lubbock Christian University, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture Business.

Society seeks donations for microfilm reader

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

Morgan Cox read her research paper about her grandmother, Gertrude Shepherd Hopkins. Cox told of her grandmother's early life, graduation from Post High School in Garza County and life during World War II.

Jacklyn Escobedo read her paper about her grandfather, Chief Escobedo. Chief Escobedo grew up in Stamford. At twenty years of age he entered the U.S. Army. After basic training he shipped out to Korea. He received \$200 a month. In 1956 he married and he and his wife had four

children. Later he opened Chief's Paint and Body Shop in Haskell.

A short business meeting was held. The need for a microfilm reader/printer was discussed. The reader/printer would be used to read microfilm of the Haskell Free Press. Donations are now being accepted for this project.

Present were Patsy Pate Cobb, Ernestine Herren, Eula Peters, Lowell Peters, Maxine Miller, Martha Jarred, Jack Kittley, Margaret Kittley, Wanda Ham, Johnny Scoggins, Jacklyn Escobedo, Chief Escobedo, Jackie Escobedo, Morgan Cox, Marilyn Griffith and Darlene Bellinghausen.

Ginger Test speaks to Art Association

The Brazos West Art Association met Mon., Mar. 11 in the Haskell National Bank Community Room.

Ginger Test, well known artist from Coleman, was the guest artist. For her presentation, she chose a sunflower watercolor, giving helpful hints and colorful background ideas.

President Peggy Middlebrook welcomed fourteen members and two guests, Shirley Anderson of Stamford and Terry Test of Coleman.

Hostesses Charlene Williams and Clara Gholson served snacks and frosted limeade.

Members attending were Betty Hook, Ruth Ann Klose, Martha Spitzer, Florence Larned, Betty Berry, Denia Cunningham, Anita Herren, Jeanie Lychman, Frances Olson, Fern Liningood, Doris Reeves, Peggy Middlebrook, Clara Gholson and Charlene Williams.

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Sonnemaker celebrates 90th birthday in Abilene

Eunice Sonnemaker celebrated her 90th birthday Sat., March 16 in

Gardeners to meet

All you need to know about "Irrigation/Xeriscaping and Mulching/Compost" will be presented Mon., March 25 at 6:45 p.m. at Haskell National Bank Community Room by Texas Cooperative Extension Crooked River Master Gardener Association. John Begnaud, CEA Horticulture from Tom Green County, will present the program. For more information, call Haskell Co. Extension Office at 864-2658.

the Coronado Nursing Center in Abilene.

Her party was hosted by her granddaughter, Geena Shadle and her triplets, Geena Leeza, Mychellya and Brody of Abilene. Cake, punch coffee and tea were served.

Guests included a niece and husband, Wolford and Imogene Skiles, Abilene; friends, Trudie Mae Doer, Ella Belle Burson, Woodie and Mae Woodard; niece and husband, Hyrum and Jean Richards, sister-in-law, Lois Redwine, from Haskell and staff and guests of Coronado Nursing Center.

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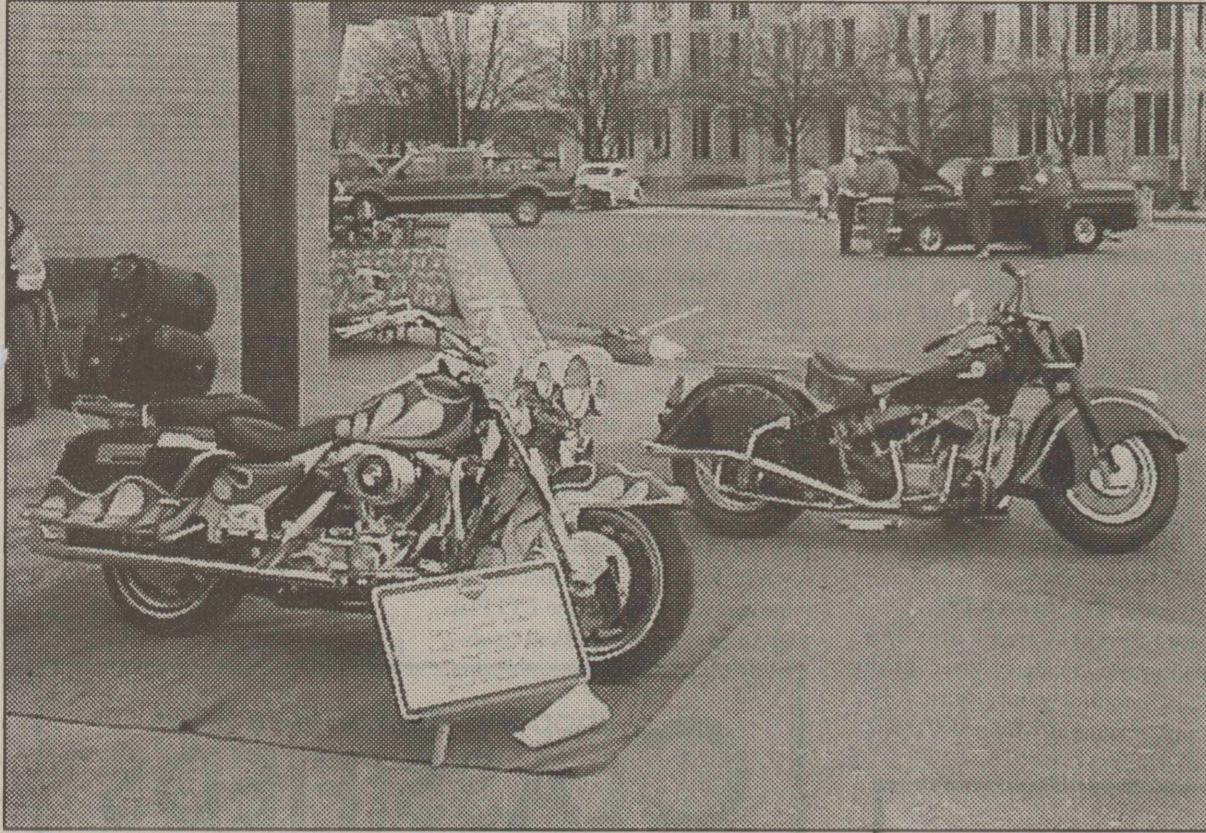
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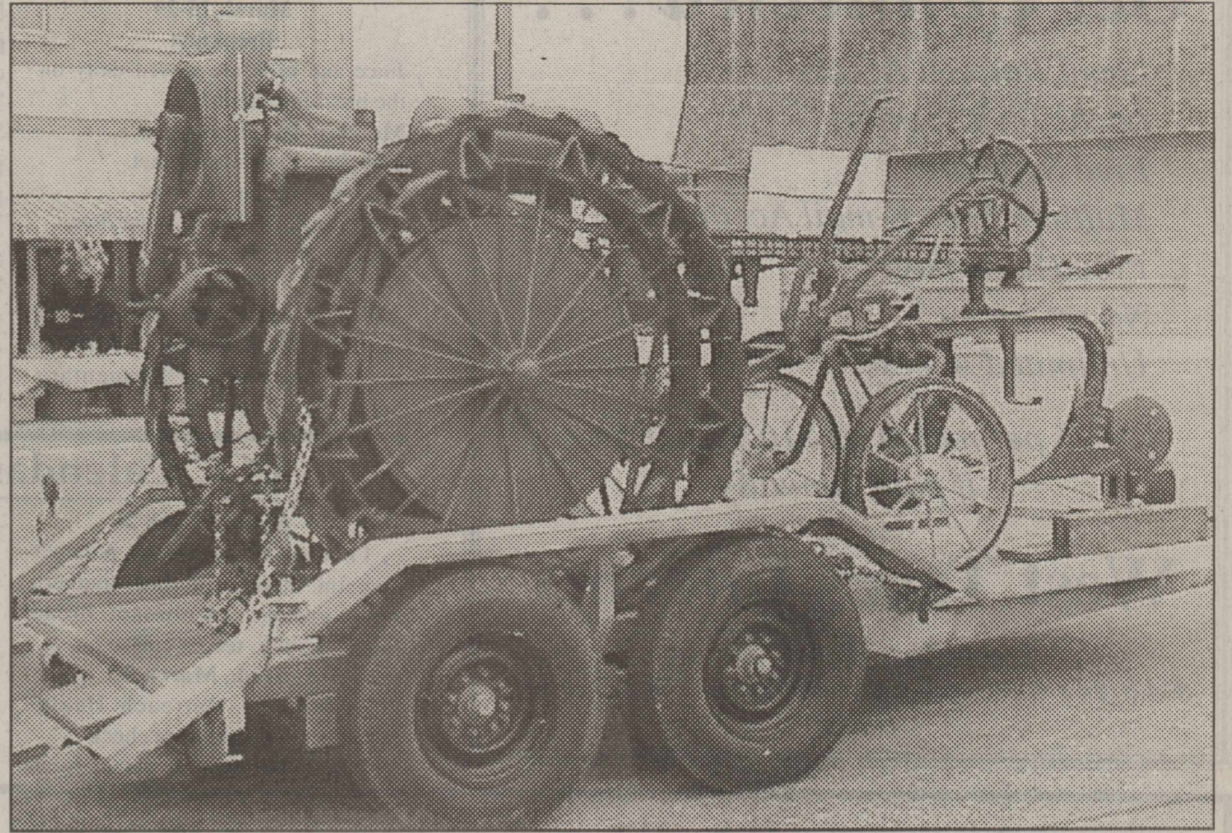
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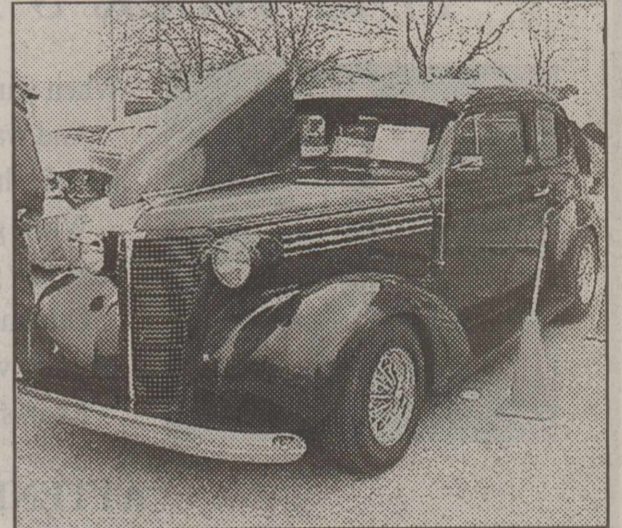
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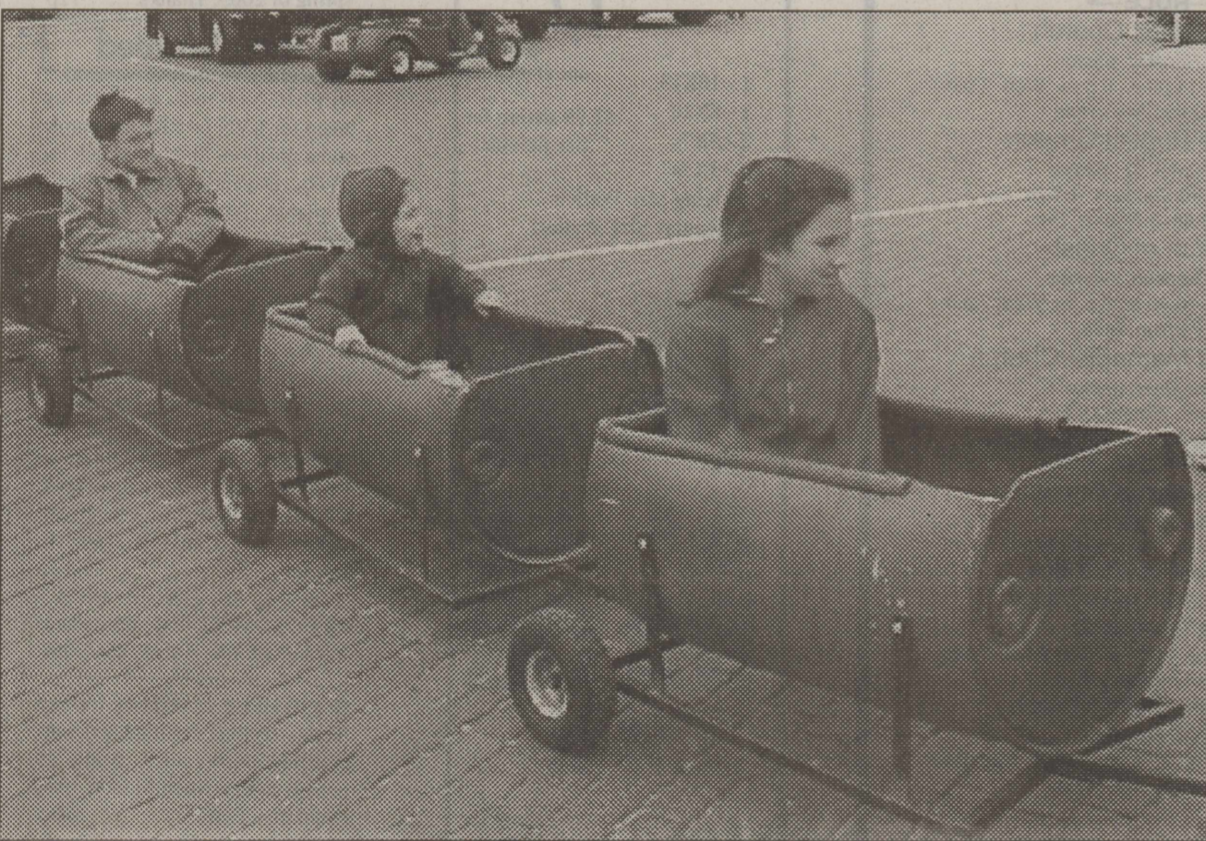
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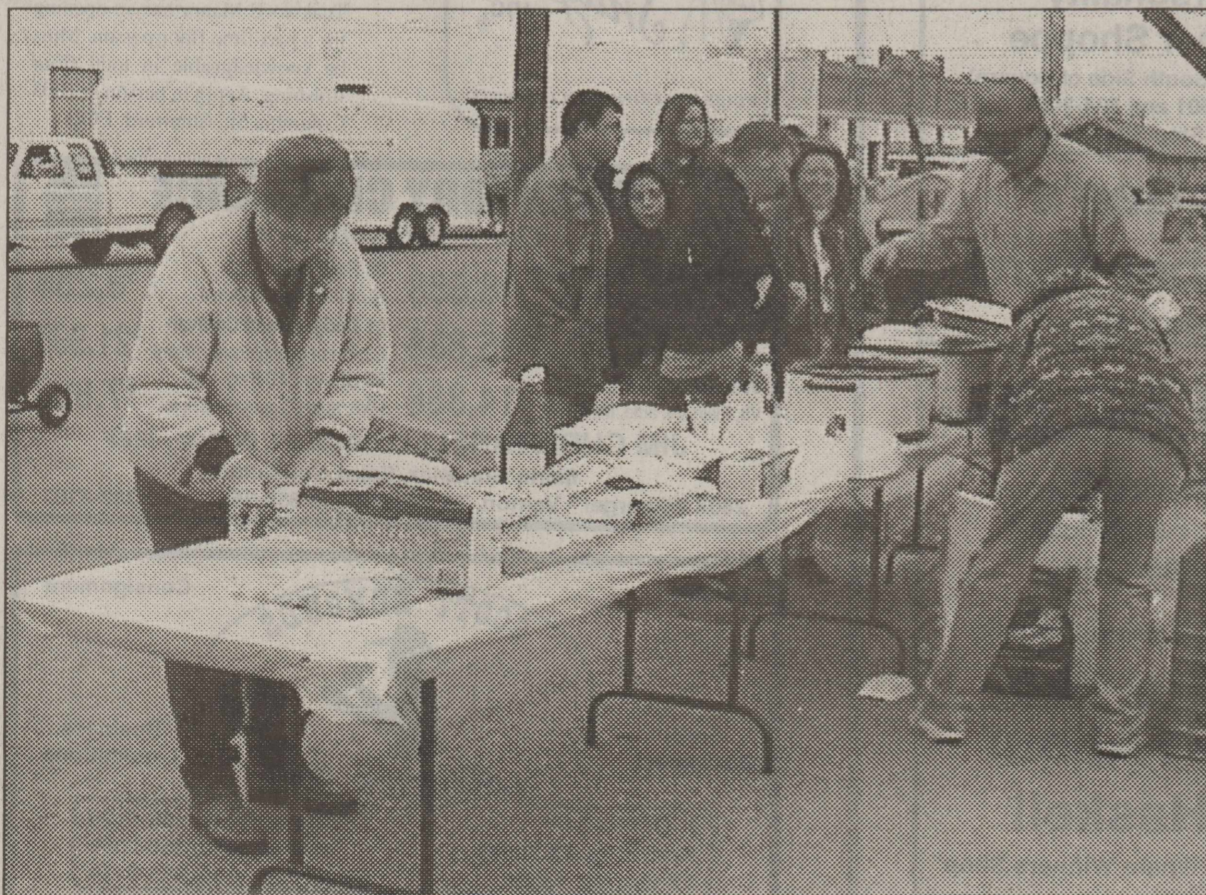
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AT 42nd ANNUAL DISTRICT CONVENTION—Texas Federation of Women's Clubs Mesquite District officers, president Mary Kaigler, right, and president-elect Nancy Toliver join TFWC Life Member Erma Liles, left, at the District Convention in Hamlin, before she installed Toliver as new district president for the 2002-04 term. The three women are members of the TFWC Progressive Study Club of Haskell.

Local ladies attend annual Mesquite District Convention

"Standing United in Freedom, Federation and Friendship" was the theme of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs (TFWC) Mesquite District 42nd Annual Convention held at the First United Methodist Church in Hamlin, Sat., Mar. 9.

Ten members of the Haskell Progressive Study Club were among fifty-seven District Club leaders attending. Mesquite District President, Mary Kaigler of Haskell presided.

Members of the Hamlin's Woman's Literary Club hosted a coffee during registration and a noon luncheon, catered by the Hamlin United Methodist Women's group.

District executive officers presenting year's-end reports of their activities were President Kaigler and President-elect, Nancy Toliver, both of Haskell; 1st Vice-President, Brenda Butler of Moran; 2nd Vice-President and Dist. Scholarship Chair, Janoma Stephens of Knox City; Secretary Alminice Harrison, and Treasurer Louise Massey, both of Stamford; TFWC Trustee Lorea Kays of Moran and TFWC Scholarship Chair Jane Hawkins of Albany.

Two \$600.00 District Scholarships to area graduating seniors were announced, to be awarded at the beginning of the fall term. Two applicants were announced from Mesquite District for the pending Latin American Scholarship being offered state-wide by the TFWC.

The District's \$500.00 gift to the district President's special project, "Operation Smile," was acknowledged from the national volunteer program, which funds surgical operations for children with facial disfigurements around the world who would never otherwise be able to face the world with a smile. Gifts of handmade cotton gowns and money donations made to the project

by individual district clubs were also acknowledged by the district president.

Following lunch, served in the Fellowship Hall, Cheryl Lewis of Hamlin, well known as a community leader, historian and musician, entertained the group, relating the history of four early Hamlin residents who became song writers. Dramatically giving the life story of each, she sang, unaccompanied, one of each of their songs which became a well-known, beloved favorite. These included "Precious Memories," and "It is No Secret What God Can Do." She ended the presentation by playing selections from the World War II "Big Band" era on her saxophone.

During the afternoon, District certificates of award were announced and distributed to the ten clubs comprising the District, for their winning reports of programs and projects.

Ending the activities of the day and the 2000-2002 leadership administration, new officers for the 2002-2004 term were installed by TFWC Life member, Erma Liles of Weinert, a member of both Haskell Progressive Study Club and The Knox City Study Club. Named to office were Nancy Toliver, president; Brenda Butler, president-elect; Sandi Conway of Albany, 1st vice-president; Charlene Broadfoot of Clyde, 2nd vice-president; Alminice Harrison, secretary, and Louise Massey, treasurer, both of Stamford; Lorea Kays, TFWC Trustee; Jane Hawkins of Albany, TFWC Scholarship Chair; Polye Wheeler of Albany, Parliamentarian.

Making an analogy of the features and clothing of angels as relating to the duties of each office, Liles presented each officer a different, jeweled, decorative "angel" pin.

Incoming president, Nancy Toliver, will also be installed by the

state organization in a formal ceremony at the Petroleum Club in Midland during the TFWC Spring Convention, May 1-4. Outgoing Mesquite District president, Mary Kaigler was presented an imported Xanadu, hand-painted porcelain plant vessel and lacquered wood stand as a gift from the district.

Dedicated to community service since 1897, the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs is a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, the largest and oldest nondenominational, nonpartisan, international service organization of volunteer women in the world. With the theme of Unity in Diversity, through local clubs, the organization promotes education, preserving national resources, stressing leadership and citizenship, encouraging healthful lifestyles, supporting participation in the arts and contributing to international understanding.

The next Mesquite District meeting will be a workshop held in Haskell in July, with the Visiting Team of TFWC officers as special guests presenting the program.

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County election returns noted

In the Democratic Primary, Ken Bentsen carried Haskell County with 434 votes. U. S. Representative Charles Stenholm received 1082 votes. For Governor, Dan Morales led with 536 votes. John Sharp led with 1070 for Lt. Governor. Kirk Watson received 959 votes for Attorney General. For Commissioner of Gen. Land Office, David Berson led with 850 votes. For Commissioner of Agriculture, Tom Ramsay led with 893 votes.

Paul C. Looney led with 529 votes for Railroad Commissioner. Pat Montgomery led with 574 votes for Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals.

In County contests, Judge David won with 955. Dan Griffith received 438 votes. Returned to office unopposed were, Dist. Judge, Charles Chapman, Dist. Clerk Penny Anderson, County Clerk Rhonda Moeller, County Treasurer Willie Faye Tidrow, County Commissioner Pct. 2 Tiffen Mayfield, Justice of the Peace Pct. 1 Lynn Dodson and County Democratic Chairman, Sharon Mullino. County Commissioner Pct. 4 Bobby Smith will face the Republican candidate for County Commissioner, Pct. 4 in the November General Election.

In the Republican Primary Rick Perry received 36 votes for Governor. In contested offices, David Dewhurst led with 26 votes for Lt. Governor. John Cornyn led with 27 votes for U. S. Senator. Jerry Patterson led with 24 votes for Gen. Land Office. For Justice, Supreme Court, Place 2, Elizabeth Ray led with 10 votes.

Wallace Jefferson led with 21 votes for Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3. Xavier Rodriguez led with 19 votes for Justice, Supreme Court,

Place 4. Tom Price led with 13 votes for Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 1. Paul Womack led with 14 votes for Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2. Cathy Cochran led with 15 votes for Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 3. Bob Craig

led with 21 votes for Member, State Board of Education, Dist. 15.

David Lee Brown was elected Republican Chairman. Karen Lehmann will face the Democratic candidate for County Commissioner, Pct. 4 in the General Election.

To The Voters of Haskell County:

I would like to thank everyone for their votes of support in the March 12th Primary Election. I am looking forward to serving as your County Clerk for the next four years.

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Haskell County Clerk

Pd. for by Rhonda (Hewitt) Moeller, campaign treasurer

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