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Football games

HASKELL

7, 8, Freshmen vs Jacksboro
Thurs., Sept. 11, 4 p.m.
at Jacksboro
Indians vs Jacksboro
Fri., Sept. 12, 7:30 p.m.
at Haskell

PAINT CREEK

Jr. High vs Rochester
Thurs., Sept. 11, 5:30 p.m.
at Rochester
Pirates vs Rochester
Fri., Sept. 12, 7:30 p.m.
at Paint Creek

VISITING TEAMS TO PLAY

Christ the King of Lubbock vs
Lucas Christians of Dallas
Sat., Sept. 13, 3 p.m.
at Paint Creek

Calendar

Jamaica to be held

St. George Catholic Church in Haskell will hold Jamaica Sept. 13-14. Mexican food will be available at the Civic Center on Sat. from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. A dance will be held at the Haskell Civic Center at Sat. at 8 p.m. featuring Tejano Band. On Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the church, bingo, dunking booth, cake walk and many other games will be held. Food items available will include Mexican plates, tamales, fajitas, menudo, snow cones, popcorn and funnel cakes.

Fish-chicken meal

The Haskell Girls Softball Association will host a Fish and Chicken meal Fri., Sept. 12 from 5 to 7:30 p.m. at the Haskell High School cafeteria. Tickets are \$5 per person and are available at Sport-About, Classic Cuts or at the door.

Retired teachers

The Haskell Co. Retired Teachers will meet at KP's Mesquite Grill, 900 S. Ave. E, Wed., Sept. 17 at 11:45 a.m. All retired school personnel are invited to attend.

Plainview-McConnell,

Bunker Hill Homecoming

The Plainview, McConnell and Bunker Hill communities will hold homecoming Sat., Oct. 4 at the Sagerton Community Center in Sagerton beginning at 9 a.m. For more information call Alvin Ulmer at 940-997-2577.

Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., Sept. 20 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at 206 S. 2nd (building east of Civic Center) in Haskell. Volunteers are needed.

Rule Jubilee

The Rule Jubilee will be held Sat., Oct. 4 and will observe the 100th anniversary of Rule. The town was established May 2, 1903. A parade and road race will be held during the day. Food and other booths will also be available.

Kids fishing touerney

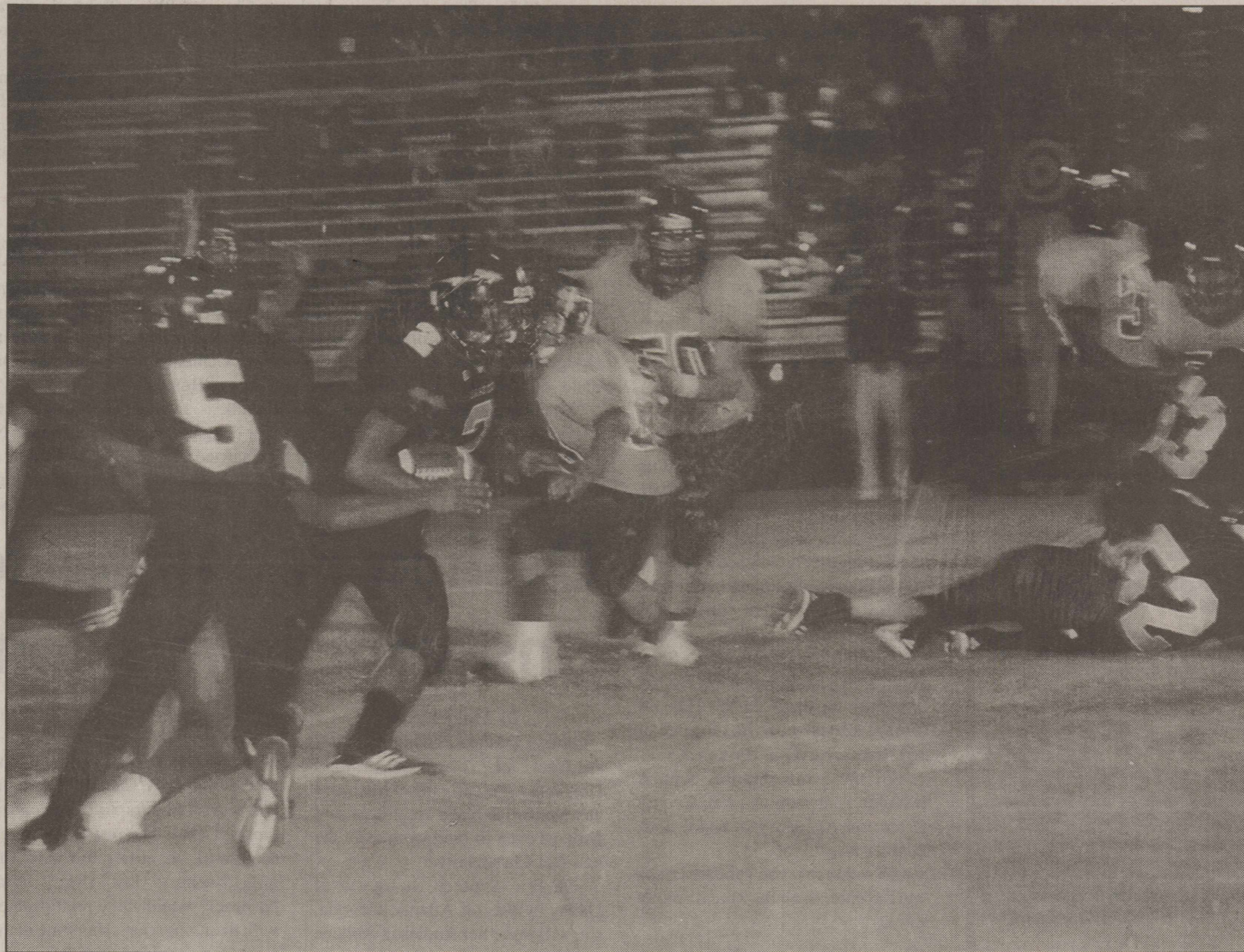
The second annual kids fishing tournament will be held Sat., Sept. 20 on Lake Stamford beginning at 8 a.m. All fish will have a category and each category will pay three places. Largest fish overall will win \$100 grand prize. Kids 15 and under are eligible to enter. Registration begins at 7 a.m. at The Anchor. Entry fee is \$5. Final weigh in is 12 noon. Sponsored by M & M Auto Plus, the event benefits local organizations.

Noah Project

The Noah Project-North Advisory Committee will meet at KP's restaurant in Haskell Fri., Sept. 12 at noon.

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INDIANS UP AGAINST THE MOGULS--Haskell's running back, #2, L.J. McCulloch, carries the ball for the Indians in the season

opener game with Munday Thurs., Sept. 4. The game ended with the Munday Moguls ahead 33-6. Photo by Bill Blankenship

Munday's Flye pesters the Indians

Ever been to a picnic where there is one fly that keeps pestering you and will not go away? Well, the Haskell Indians were not at a picnic Friday night, but had one fly, Dustin Flye, pestering them. One of the Big Country's premier running backs, Flye led the Munday Moguls to an opening football victory in this 2003 season, defeating the Indians by the score of 33-6.

The Moguls scored twice in the first quarter when Flye scampered to pay dirt on runs of 35 and 58 yards. Both tries for the PAT failed. Early in the second quarter, Munday blocked an Indian punt to gain a safety. The Moguls scored on an offensive fumble recovery to end their point production for the first half.

The gallant Indians moved the pigskin from their own 35 yard line in seven plays to cross the Mogul's goal line. Senior running back Holton Hernandez had two big plays in the scoring drive. Hernandez had a run of 21 yards and then caught a 21 yard TD strike from quarterback Brandon McClatchey. The PAT try

was blocked. Halftime score was Haskell 6, Munday 20.

The Indians shut down Munday's offensive weapon during the third quarter with a good defensive effort. Haskell dominated this quarter, having 15 offensive plays to Munday's 8.

However, it is really hard to keep an explosive back like Flye from coming back strong. Munday ended the scoring in this game with two scores and one extra point in the fourth quarter. Dustin Flye and Junior Sanchez both crossed into the end zone to put the score of this game at 33-6.

"We got beat by a good team Friday night. We didn't get the job done," said Coach Brad Brunson. "Our goal is to get better every week to be playing our best by the time district gets here. I thought our kids played very hard and didn't quit. This group will get better every week. We have to keep our heads up and keep working to progress. I'm certainly not down on them."

Haskell's quarterback, Brandon McClatchey, had 34 yards on 12

carries; running back L. J. McCulloch got 7 yards on 9 carries; running back Josh Barbee had 8 carries for 23 yards, and running back Holton Hernandez got 62 yards on 9 carries. McClatchey was 4 of 12 in the passing department with one interception and one TD strike.

a 21 yarder to Hernandez for the Indian's score in the second quarter.

With "no rest for the weary," as the old saying goes, the Indians will host the Jacksboro Tigers at Indian Field Friday night. Kickoff is at 7:30.

The Haskell JV Team defeated the

Moguls 6-0 to open their season on a successful note, while the 8th grade Warriors tied 6-6, and the 7th grade only scrimmaging the younger Moguls. All three groups will see action Thursday night at Jacksboro. Game times start at 4:00 p.m.

Special election set Saturday

The special election to adopt or reject the proposed Constitutional Amendments as submitted by the 78th Legislature, Regular Session, State of Texas, will be held Sat., Sept. 13.

County polling places for the Sept. 13 election will be as follows:

- Box 1, Catholic Church, N. 16th St., Haskell
- Box 2, Assembly of God Church, N. Ave. E, Haskell
- Box 3, Extension Building, S. Ave. D., Haskell
- Box 4, Experienced Citizens Center, S. 1st St., Haskell
- Box 5, High School Gym, Rule

- Box 6, Fire Department, Rochester
- Box 7, City Hall, O'Brien
- Box 8, Weinert School Building
- Box 9, School Library, Paint Creek
- Box 10, Community Room, Sagerton

Rowan is new County Agent

Jane Rowan has been named Haskell County Extension Agent-family & consumer science, according to Galen Chandler, District Extension Administrator, and the County Commissioners' Court. She will begin her duties effective Oct. 1.

A native of New Mexico, Rowan graduated from New Mexico State University with a bachelor of science degree in Home Economics Education and Agriculture. She is a certified Food Protection Management instructor and Certified Family and Community Leadership trainer.

Rowan is currently the Knox County Extension Agent-family and consumer sciences, where her work experiences included educational efforts in nutrition, food safety, consumer education, parenting, 4-H and at risk youth.

In Haskell County, Rowan will give leadership in family and consumer sciences, and work with Brandon Anderson, County Extension agent-agriculture, in developing 4-H and adult education programs through Extension Program Councils. The new agent

said she is looking forward to working with Brandon Anderson in the Haskell office.

Rowan's husband, Keith Rowan,

is the Agriculture teacher at Rule High School. They reside in Haskell County near O'Brien, with daughter Kate and son Kiel.



COUNTY AGENTS--Jane Rowan, new Haskell County Extension Agent-Family and Consumer Science, was welcomed this week by County Agent-Agriculture, Brandon Anderson.

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Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 440 head of cattle at its sale on Mon., Sept. 8, according to Gary Tate, reporter. 53 sellers and 30 buyers were present.

Stocker calves \$2-\$5 higher. Feeders \$1-\$3 higher. Packers \$1-\$4 higher.
Cows: fat, .37-.47; cutters, .35-.52; canners, .30-.35.
Bulls: bologna, .50-.61; feeders,

.70-.85; utility, .45-.54.
Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.25-1.70; 300-400 lbs., 1.10-1.25; 400-500 lbs., .95-1.20; 500-600 lbs., .87-1.05; 600-700 lbs., .84-1.00; 700-800 lbs., .80-.95; 800-up lbs., .77-.88.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.05-1.55; 300-400 lbs., .90-1.15; 400-500 lbs., .85-1.05; 500-600 lbs., .78-.97; 600-up lbs., .65-.95.
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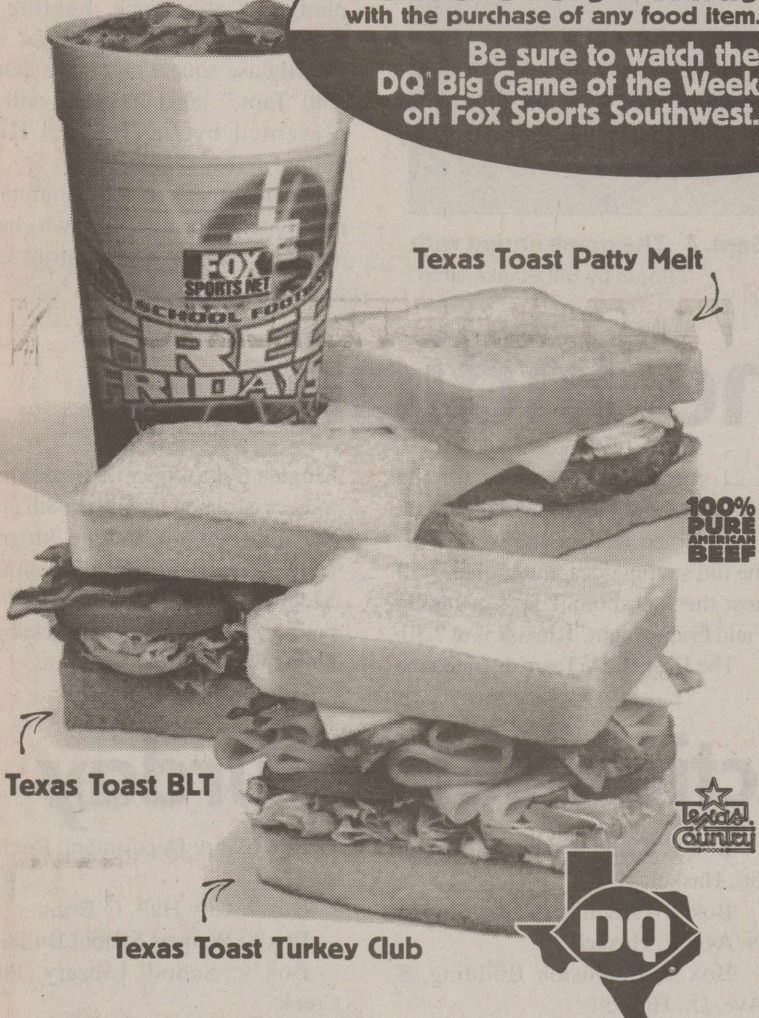
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Swine tag deadline is Sept. 15

by Brandon Anderson
Haskell Co. Extension Agent

Time is fast approaching to order swine validation tags for the upcoming stock show year 2003-04. Those planning to show swine this year must have an official Texas State Validation Tag for the animal shown. FFA students with projects should check with the Ag Science teacher at your school for deadline to order tags.

The deadline to order the validation ear tags for swine for those showing 4-H projects is Mon., Sept. 15 at 5:00 p.m. Application for the tags may be made in the Haskell County Extension Office located at 101 South Ave. D in Haskell.

For more information contact Brandon Anderson, Haskell County Extension Agent-Ag at (940) 864-2658 or 864-2546.

All swine must be validated to be legal to enter in all major and county shows.

Conservation tillage meeting set Sept. 19

by Brandon Anderson
Haskell Co. Extension Agent

Texas Cooperative Extension and Monsanto will be sponsoring a Conservation Tillage meeting in Knox County Fri., Sept. 19 at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting will begin at the Kuehler farm 1 1/2 miles east of Munday on 222. Look for the vehicles on the north side of the road. From the turn-row meeting the group will move to the Rhineland Hall to have a program by Dr. John Bradley, Conservation Tillage specialist from Monsanto and Dr. Todd Baughman, Extension Agronomist from Vernon.

A meal will follow the program. For more information, contact Brandon Anderson, Haskell County Extension Agent-Ag at (940) 864-2658 or 864-2546.

Obituaries

Albert W. Barnett

Graveside services for Albert W. Barnett, 85, of Haskell, were held Wed., Sept. 3 in Willow Cemetery with Rev. Troy Culpepper officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Kinney-Underwood Funeral Home in Stamford.

Mr. Barnett died Mon., Sept. 1 in a Haskell hospital. Born March 15, 1918 in Haskell, he was the son of the late Albert and Beatrice Murrell Barnett. He married Laverne Quattlebaum Sept. 17, 1942 in Haskell. He graduated from Haskell High School and attended Howard Payne University. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U. S. Army. He was a member of

First Baptist Church and taught Jr. Boys Sunday School. He was a lifetime resident of Haskell County.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and one sister, Naomi Schwab.

Survivors include his wife, Laverne Barnett of Haskell; two sons, Ken Barnett and wife, Fawn of Austin, and Lon Barnett of Haskell; two sisters, Annie Decker of Haskell and Ella Brown of Florida; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to the donor's favorite charity. PD. NOTICE

Elsie A. Schaake

preceded her in death Jan. 8, 1982. She was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, eight brothers and two sisters.

Survivors include her son, Lee Roy Schaake of Haskell; one daughter, Glenna Kinnibrugh of Seymour; one sister, Dora Bergstrom of Seymour; six grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Trinity Lutheran Church, 7630 E. Hwy. 380, Haskell, Texas 79521. PD. NOTICE

Myrtle A. Lewelling Kinney

Funeral services for Myrtle A. Lewelling Kinney, 97, of Haskell were held Sun., Sept. 7 at First Baptist Church in Haskell with Rev. Dorian Blasingame and Rev. William Hodge officiating. Burial was in Rochester Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Mrs. Kinney died Thurs., Sept. 4 in Haskell.

Born March 5, 1906 in Olney, she was the daughter of Erwin and Martha Johnson Lewelling. She married D. L. Kinney March 17, 1920. He preceded her in death July 14, 1989. She had lived in Haskell County for 60 years

and was a member of the Church of God in Rochester.

She was preceded in death by her husband; one brother, Lewis Lewelling; one sister, Mary Garner; two sons, Elvin Kinney and Daniel R. Kinney; and two grandchildren.

Survivors include three daughters, Margaret Dalton of Rule, Wanda Nell Heath of Littlefield and Pauline Lewis of Rochester; two sons, Roy Kinney of Sunrise, Florida, and Lynn Kinney of Tyler; 21 grandchildren and 21 great grandchildren. PD. NOTICE

Deshea Phemister to serve one year in mission group

By Mary Kaigler

Young Deshea Phemister, junior student at Hardin-Simmons University, has early in her life heard an inner call to reach out, lift up, and perhaps even to bind wounds in the name of Christianity.

On Fri., Sept. 5, flying out of Dallas by way of Atlanta, Georgia, she will leave her studies in Abilene for a year, to live in the inner city in the southwest part of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as part of a Mission Year group.

In Philadelphia, she will be part of a team of five other girls, ages 18-28, coming from across the country. Two are from New York, one from Washington, one from Arizona and one from Minnesota.

Together, they will live in a house as a family unit, and will be working with Word Tabernacle, an inner city church. The team leader will be one of the older girls. Deshea said she is looking forward to being part of such a diverse group of young women.

Upon arrival, they will have two weeks training about living in the inner city. They will also receive a

community service site to work in, which can be anything from a hospital to a homeless shelter to one of the inner-city schools. Each girl will work 15 hours a week in one of those places. The rest of the week they will be going out into the neighborhood on their own, purposely establishing relationships with their neighbors, shopping in the same stores, sharing with them about

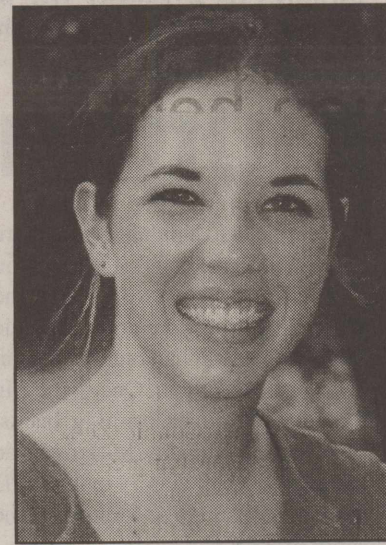
Jesus Christ, and becoming involved with the community.

The 2001 graduate of Haskell High School is the daughter of Carl and Lisa Milburn of Haskell and Randy and Lori Phemister of Canyon.

In her freshman year at Hardin-Simmons she first heard about the Mission Year program during a Grace Bible study one Tuesday. Becoming interested in the idea, she applied, and after interviews with two representatives of Mission Year, was selected to be a part of the program.

When she returns from Philadelphia after a year, she will have two more years of study at Hardin-Simmons toward getting her degree in Elementary Education.

Weighing the time lost away from her schooling against the personal gain of being a part of something she believes to be of value, and having the time see and learn about a historical part of the country, Deshea Phemister sees this next year as being an important, ongoing part of her education as a human being.



DESHEA PHEMISTER

Revival, anniversary celebration set by local church Sept. 21-28

A Harvest Round-Up and Soul Stirring Revival will be held at the Greater Independent Baptist Church in Haskell, Sept. 21-28, beginning at 7:30 each night.

Revivalist Rev. Tom Collins, pastor of Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist

Church in Oakland, California, will be leading the services.

Preceding the revival the church will hold Three Nights of Prayer at 7:00 p.m., Sept. 17, 18, 19.

On Sunday afternoon, Sept. 28, the Greater Independent Baptist

Church will celebrate its 71st anniversary with a special service. Rev. James Hanson, pastor of Rose of Sharon Baptist Church of Odessa and Dr. James Webb of New Fellowship Baptist Church, Abilene, will be the speakers. The theme of the celebration will be taken from Matt. 28:18-20: "As an eagle stirs up her nest, so Christ stirs up his disciples."

The church invites all friends and neighboring churches to join them in the celebration.

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VOLUNTEER FUNDRAISER—Lorene Hansen of Anson holds some of the Beanie Bears she sells as part of her award winning volunteer work for the March of Dimes.

Beanie Bears to help the March of Dimes

Lorene Hansen of Anson, who was presented a medal in May for being the #1 volunteer walker for the March of Dimes in the Big Country area for the last four years, will be in Haskell, Sat., Sept. 13, selling her Beanie Bears to aid in the work of the March of Dimes organization.

At 10:00 a.m., she will be set up a table in front of the Modern Way Food Store building, taking donations and selling the Bears at a nominal price, with all proceeds going to the March of Dimes foundation.

Winning first place in the fundraiser walk four years in a row, Hansen also won second and third places in the previous years, while exceeding her goal by raising a total of over \$10,000 for the March of

Dimes.

Active in many aspects of her community, in addition to her volunteer work for the March of Dimes, Hansen works at the V.A. Office in Anson, under the SER Jobs Program, formerly known as the Experienced Works Program or Green Thumb.

Haskell residents may remember Hansen's mother, Clara White, who worked as an LVN under Dr. Joe Thigpen during the early 1950's. Her late brothers, W. G. and Bob White, also lived in Haskell.

Dedicated to her cause, Hansen said she will stay at the booth on Sat., Sept. 13 as long as she has people wanting to buy a Beanie Bear Baby or give a donation for the March of Dimes.

Steinfath reunion held

On Saturday afternoon, Aug. 30, the descendants of the Fritz Steinfath Sr.-Margaret Timmermann union held their 14th reunion in the spacious Haskell National Bank Community Building.

Approximately 50 persons attended. The Steinfath-Timmermann family is comprised of: the late Fritz Steinfath Jr., Johnny Steinfath and Louise Steinfath.

Also the families of the late August Steinfath-Selma Reuffer; Mary Steinfath-Herman Kretschmer; Martha Steinfath-Richard Kretschmer; and Lena Steinfath-Will Weise.

This year's reunion was hosted by

the Mary and Herman family. Bettie Bittner opened the business meeting. Don Kretschmer read the minutes of the previous meeting. Various notables were recognized. Lydia Kretschmer Ivy was the oldest attending. Quinten Roberts was the youngest. Coming the farthest was the Rob Adams (Connie Zelisko) family of the Houston area. Alene Weise Bredthauer came closest to guessing the number of noodles in a jar. Door prize was won by Wilton Weise.

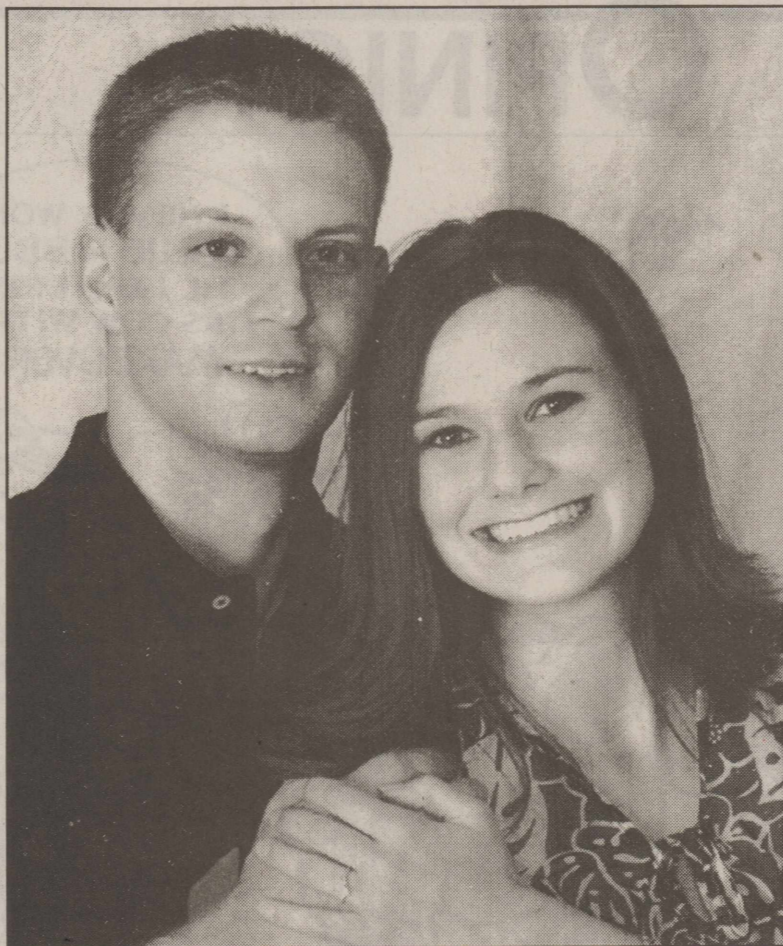
After a couple of hours of visiting and a prayer by Cody Don Kretschmer, a pot luck supper was served by the ladies.

Party to honor Moeller

A come and go reception at the Experienced Citizens Center will be held Sat., Sept. 20, honoring Mary Moeller of Haskell on her 90th birthday. Hours for the party are 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. Hosts request no gifts, please.

Mrs. Moeller was a long time employee at Haskell Memorial Hospital.

Birthday cards may be sent to Mary Moeller at Haskell Healthcare Center, 1504 North 1st Street, Room 17, Haskell, Texas 79521.



MAC BUTTS - VALERIE PERRIN

Perrin, Butts plan December wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Perrin of Lubbock have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Valerie Kay Perrin and Larry Mac Butts, son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Butts of Spearman.

A wedding has been planned for Dec. 6 at St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Lubbock.

The granddaughter of Eloise Perrin of Haskell, the bride-elect is a

graduate of Lubbock Coronado High School and is pursuing a bachelor of interior design degree from Texas Tech University. She is employed with The Texas Tech University System.

The prospective bridegroom graduated from Spearman High School and received a bachelor of science degree from Texas Tech University.

Whites celebrate 50th anniversary

Jim and Faye White celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at their home in Mount Pleasant, Sat., Aug. 23.

The couple were married Aug. 25 in Odessa. Faye White is the daughter of Lorene Nichols of Haskell.

Now both retired, Jim White was a football coach and teacher for forty

years and Faye White was employed in the banking profession.

Hosting the celebration were the White's three children and their spouses. Shane and Peggy White of Daingerfield, Randy and Penny White of Houston and Shonna and Bo Soderquist of Corpus Christi and nine grandchildren.

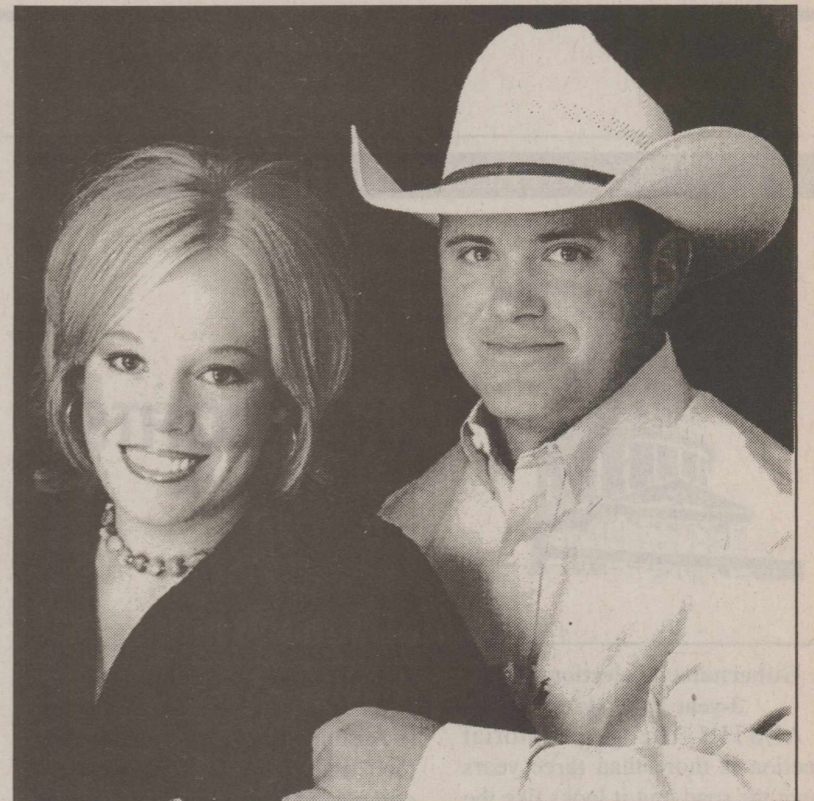
Tidwells hold reunion

The descendants of the late D. G. and Carrie Tidwell held their annual Labor Day reunion weekend at the Civic Center. The last living daughter of the Tidwell's was in attendance, Mary Jarman of Dallas. 157 were present. Lots of visiting and picture taking was done.

On Sunday afternoon an auction was held, which was successful and

enjoyed by all.

Towns represented were: Pasadena, Fairfield, Abilene, Wichita Falls, New Braunfels, Roby, O'Donnell, Midland, Hurst, San Benito, Irving, Big Spring, Dallas, Tyler, Kaufman, Haskell and Ada, Oklahoma, Indianapolis, Indiana and Norman, Oklahoma.



KAKI STAPLETON - RYAN COOPER

Stapleton, Cooper to wed Nov. 22

Max and Christie Stapleton of Haskell are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Kaki Stapleton to Ryan Cooper, both of Lubbock. Cooper is the son of Sherry and Buddy Cooper of Lubbock.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Haskell High School and received a Bachelors of Science in Nursing from Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Nursing.

She is employed by Nurses Unlimited in Lubbock.

Cooper graduated from Lubbock Cooper High School and will receive his Masters Degree in Agricultural Education from Texas Tech University this December.

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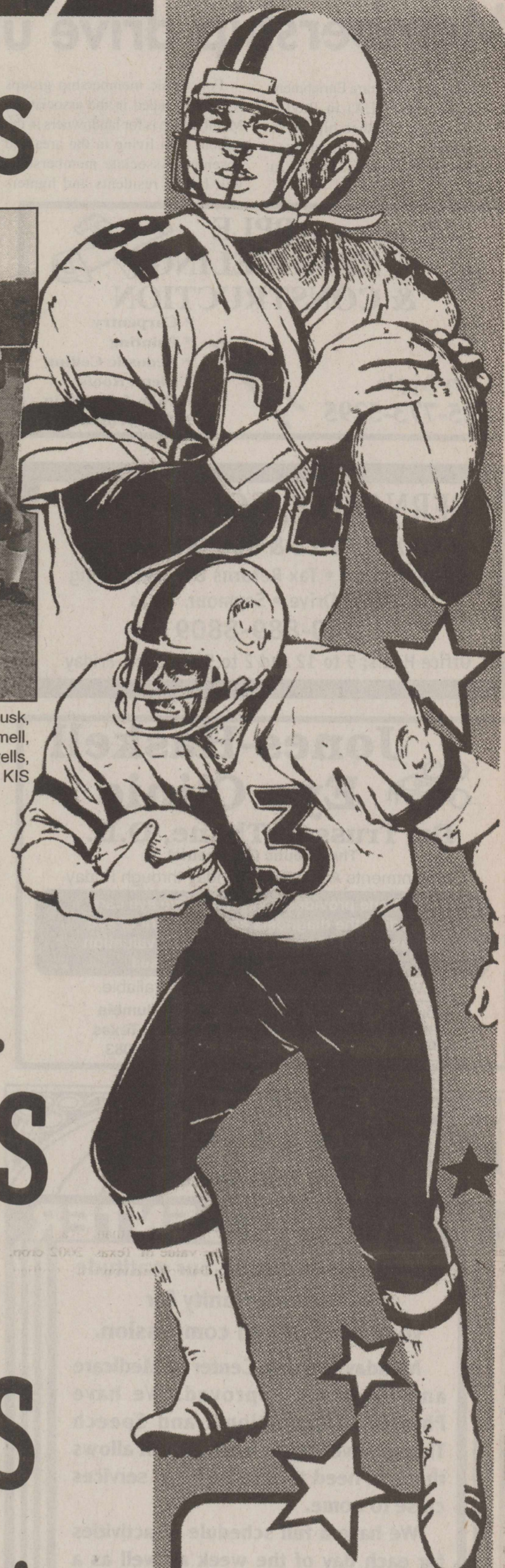
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2003 Haskell Indians



2003 HASKELL INDIANS: front row left to right, Aaron New, Brad Blanks, Phillip Collins, Julio Solano, Cris Graciano, Justin Rodriguez, Billy Lusk, Josh Rodriguez, William Wyrick, Junior Rodriguez. Back row: Brandon McKlesky, L. J. McCulloch, Ronald Chapman, Gary Frierson, Josh Kimmell, Cameron Short, Matthew Brown, Nate Webb, Keith Wilcox, Jon Dulaney, Anthony Hernandez, Holton Hernandez, Jamie Markey, Jeremy Sorrells, Scott Agraz, Andrew Long, Scott Wilson, Josh Barbee and Homero Payan. Photo by KIS



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Membership drive underway

Rolling Plains Nature Enrichment Association (RPNEA) in Baylor County has a membership drive underway and encourages landowners, residents and hunters to enroll.

Four basic membership groups will be included in the association. Membership is for landowners in the region, both living in the area and absentee. Associate memberships will be for residents and hunters

living in the area but not owning hunting acreage. Affiliate memberships will be available for businesses and groups. Youth membership is also available.

The purpose of the RPNEA is to help the people of the region to enhance wildlife quality and quantity, to improve range and wildlife resources and to enrich the natural environment as a whole.

For more information and membership forms, contact the Texas Cooperative Extension Office in Seymour at 940-889-5581.

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City Council report

At a regular meeting of the Haskell City Council, Aug. 25, approval was given for proceeding with the City's acceptance of the Memorial Civic Center. Attorney Shane Hadaway was named to do the legal work involved in the new arrangement of ownership, as necessitated by law. An appointed board of directors will oversee the operation of the Center.

The Council accepted the property bid received from Sheri Morrow by the Appraisal District for purchase of the lot behind the Heads or Tails building.

The next regular meeting of the Council was set for Mon., Sept. 8.

Around Town

Darlene Conn and Daniel along with Julie Cochran and children of Burnett have been in Haskell the past week visiting with Mr. and Mrs. David Conn and Joyce Hawkins. They are here taking care of some business and enjoying bird hunting.

Jim Ballard of near Lake Texhoma has been visiting his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Don Ballard. Jim is a game warden for the Lake Texhoma area.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Hawkins spent a few days last week visiting with his mom, Joyce Hawkins. Sammy Hawkins of Aspermont and Glendon Hawkins of Stamford enjoyed bird hunting with Bobby while he was here.

Faye Gray went with her son-in-law to visit Lynn Gray. She stayed a week and attended the music festival. She returned home on Sept. 8th.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. John Sam Rike last week were his sister and husband, Dick and Anna Kathren of near Houston.

Ron and Edith Hilliard of Maryland visited with Bernice Hilliard during the Labor Day holidays. Son, Kenneth of Waco and grandson, Jerod of near Houston were here and they all did some bird hunting. Edith Hilliard visited her mother who is a resident in a local care home.

Dr. John Jackman, an entomologist with Texas Cooperative Extension, said cicada killers—wasps that can grow to 1.5 inches in length—paralyze cicadas with their stings, drag paralyzed prey to their sandy, burrowed nests, lay eggs upon them and allow their larvae to eat the captive cicadas.

Only cicada killers' larvae eat cicadas, he said. Adults feed on flower nectar.

"They're large enough that when you see them, you get concerned," he said. "They'll fly at you, but they're only bluffing, trying to chase you away from their nests. They almost never sting."

Jackman said he has never heard of cicada killers stinging people; they might sting if captured.

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GREENHAND CAMPERS—260 first year Ag students attended the Double Mountain District FFA Greenhand Day in Ericksdahl, to learn leadership skills and develop lasting friendships.

FFA holds Greenhand Day

The Double Mountain District FFA Greenhand Day held in Ericksdahl was attended by 260 campers from the area, almost doubling last year's attendance.

Green hands, first year Agriculture students, participating came from Anson, Aspermont, Hamlin, Haskell, Hawley, Jayton, Lueders-Avoca, Paint Creek, Rochester, Rotan, Rule and

Stamford. The campers attended thirty minute sessions on ways to develop leadership skills, by either openly discussing or actively participating in games requiring a team effort.

District officers in charge of the activities and lessons were Alexis Reed, president; Jennifer Sprayberry, 1st vice president; Preston Cox, Brett Gaylord, Kolby Templeton, Olivia Tilly, Stetson Garman, Ragan Propst

and Ross Short. Also helping with the camp were Area II officers Chase Cockerell, Jason Loeffler and Jessica Housley.

At the conclusion of the camp, which is one of the ways FFA teaches leadership and develops friendships, ten campers were recognized with a leadership award. Recipients from Haskell were Erin Hise, Noah Lemmond and Lindsey Pannell.

Commissioner's Court report

At a special meeting of the Haskell County Commissioners' Court, Aug. 26, Robert Dow of Silver Creek Mining met with the Court to discuss his contract with the State of Texas to bury piles of tires at Stamford. Opposition to the project was expressed by County Judge David Davis.

A motion presented by Commissioner Tiffen Mayfield was approved for the collection of the \$4.00 Technology Fee by the Justice of the Peace.

Upon the recommendation of Sheriff David Halliburton, a motion by Commissioner Mayfield was approved for the VINE Project which will be funded by the Attorney General's Office.

A motion made by Commissioner Kenny Thompson was approved to

table the matter of additional fees for the District Clerk and County Clerk offices.

A motion by Thompson was approved for renewal of the contract for the copy machine at the Extension Office.

A bid was accepted from Carpenter's Truck Center, Inc., in the amount of \$28,750.00, for the purchase of a 2000 Freightliner Truck for Precinct 3.

A motion by Thompson for the sale of Lot 8 Block 4 of the Highland Addition to Sherry Morrow by the Appraisal District for the amount of \$200.00, was approved.

In considering the matter of continuing the Community Service Program, with a representative to run it or giving donated equipment back to the Probation Department, the

court voted to return the equipment to the Probation Department.

In a Commissioners' Court Public Hearing on the proposed budget for 2003-2004, held at 1:00 p.m., Aug. 26, the budget was approved with the following changes:

The ad valorem tax to be \$962,540.00. This is an increase of \$25,847.00.

Court coordinator travel expense was increased to \$200.00, and court coordinator school expense increased to \$300.00.

The fund balance was lowered from \$125,000.00 to \$75,042.56.

A motion made by Commissioner Bobby Smith was approved, setting the following tax rate:

FML-.1473; R. & B-.1140; General .5040, for a total tax rate of .7653.

Jackman said spraying trees from top to bottom and killing each and every cicada seems useless because more would fly into those trees within days.

Adult cicadas spend their summer afternoons in treetops, he said, where adult males make music to attract females with two vibrating membranes in each side of their abdomens.

"They're the guys that make the big, loud buzzing sounds in the heat of the day," he said.

Jackman said adult cicadas use their beaks to suck nectar from twigs, and females lay their eggs in twigs, which causes some twigs to snap. Within weeks, cicada nymphs hatch, fall and burrow into soil, where they feed on tree roots and mature for three to 17 years. Overall, he said, cicadas cause little damage to trees.

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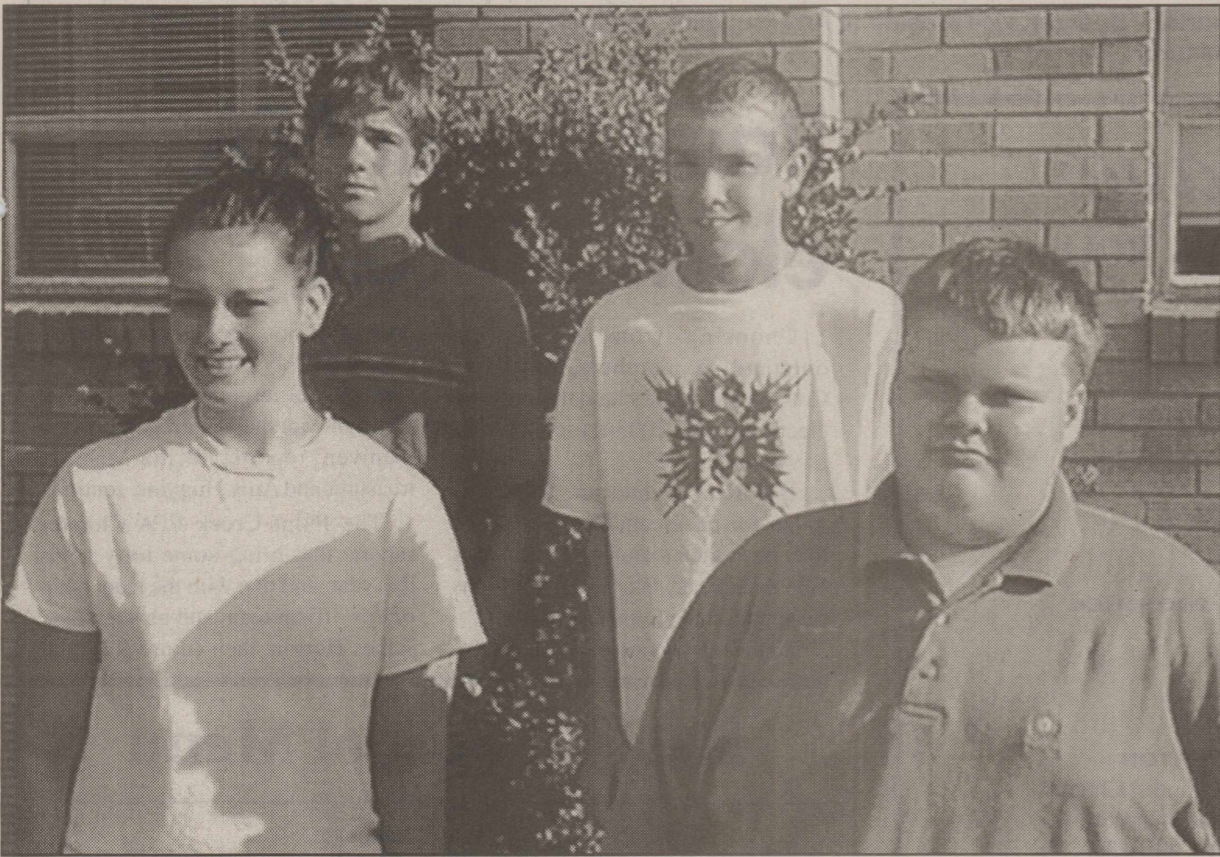
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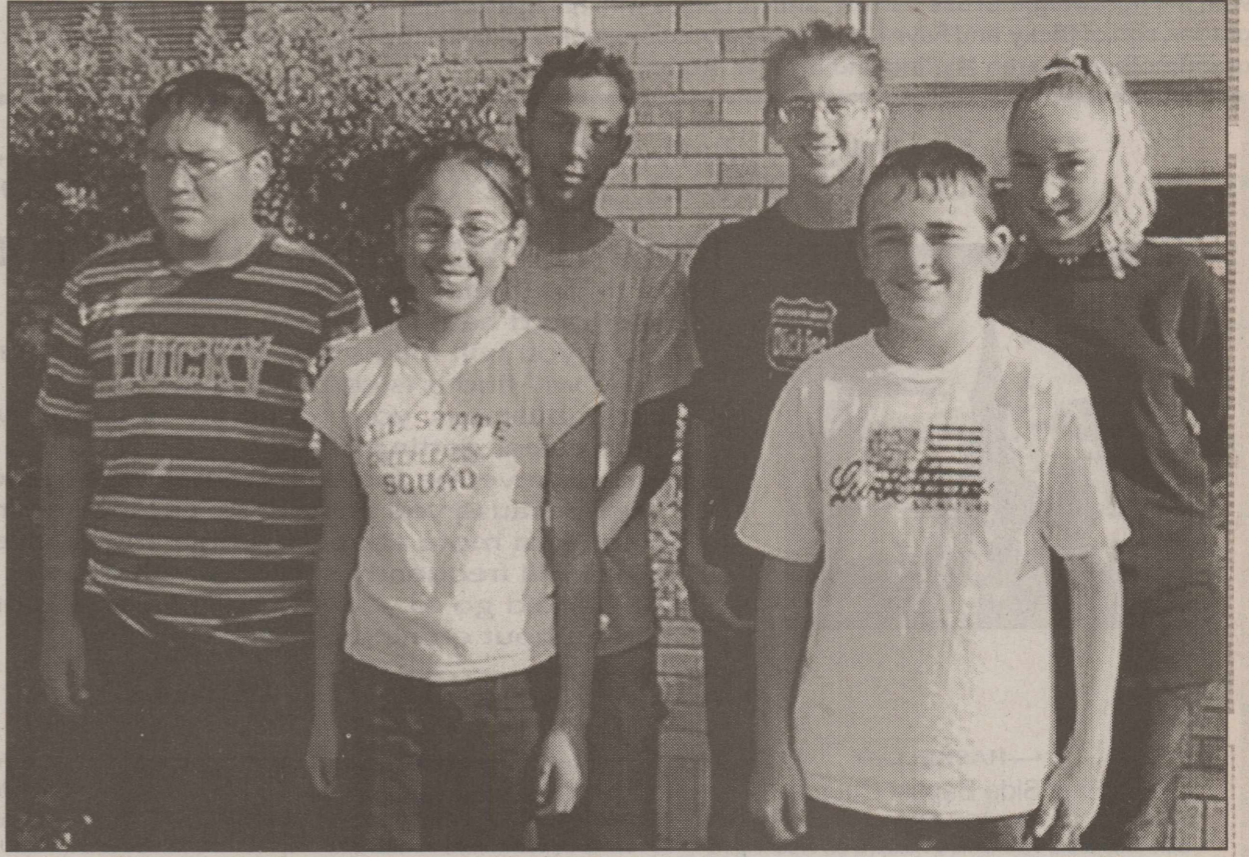
PAINT CREEK SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS—Left to right, top to bottom: Courtney Buerger, vice president; A. J. Shaw, reporter; Amy Huggins, secretary; Jody Smith, president; Kasey Duniven, student council representative; Bonnie Emert, treasurer.



PAINT CREEK JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS—Back, left to right: Misty Woodall, president; Roland Cisneros, student council representative; Carolyn Marshall, reporter; Sarah Williams, treasurer; Britta Manske, vice president; and front, Jimmy Rincker, secretary.



PAINT CREEK SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS—Back, l-r, Cyle Brown, president; Todd Emert, student council representative; front, Audry Daniel, vice president; Josh Messenger, secretary.



PAINT CREEK FRESHMEN CLASS OFFICERS—From the left, Abel Cisneros, treasurer; Kayla Fernandez, secretary; Jeb Acosta, president; Kevin Fowler, reporter; D. J. Hall, student council representative; Paula Isbell, vice president.

Fresh fruit and vegetables: Store them, don't ignore them

by Lou Gilly
Haskell Co. Extension Agent
 September has been designated as National Food Safety Education Month and National 5-A-Day month. The purpose of these annual observances is to promote the importance of food safety and fruit and vegetable consumption. The theme for National 5-A-Day Month is "Get Healthy America!" The theme for National Food Safety Education Month promoted by the National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation as well as

other entities is "Store it. Don't ignore it." These efforts are supported by many organizations and establishments. Educators are working to increase public understanding of foodborne illness, also known as food poisoning, and how it can be prevented. Each year, it is estimated that one in four Americans will become sick from a foodborne illness. 1 in 1,000 will be hospitalized, and more than 5,000 will die. Foodborne illness is caused by eating foods contaminated with

harmful microorganisms such as bacteria. Bacteria cannot be seen, smelled or tasted. Fruits and vegetables are an important part of a healthy diet. Research shows that eating at least five servings of fruits and vegetables each day can reduce the risk for diabetes, heart disease, cancer and other chronic diseases. However, fruits and vegetables can become contaminated with microorganisms during the time between harvest and when they are eaten. If contaminated,

a fresh fruit or vegetable could cause foodborne illness. Simple steps can be taken to prevent foodborne illness from fresh fruits and vegetables during storage. These include: Separate raw meat from fresh fruits and vegetables in the refrigerator. This helps eliminate cross-contamination, which is the transfer of harmful bacteria from one food to another. An example of cross-contamination would be if juice from raw meat dripped onto fresh produce in the refrigerator.

To delay spoilage and mold growth, do not wash fresh fruits and vegetables before storing them. Instead, wash them right before eating or preparing. Refrigerate cut fresh fruits and vegetables at 40 degrees F or below within two hours of purchase or preparation. Store these as well as whole fresh fruits and vegetables that require refrigeration in the crisper or produce drawer. Discard any pre-cut or pre-packaged fresh fruits and vegetables with an expired "use-by" date. Also,

discard any items that are moldy or spoiled. Keep refrigerators clean. Wipe up spills. Make sure that room temperature storage areas are cool, dry, dark, and pest-free. Separate fresh fruits and vegetables from household chemicals. To learn more about fresh fruit and vegetable safety, contact Lou Gilly, County Extension Agent- FCS, at Texas Cooperative Extension, Haskell County.

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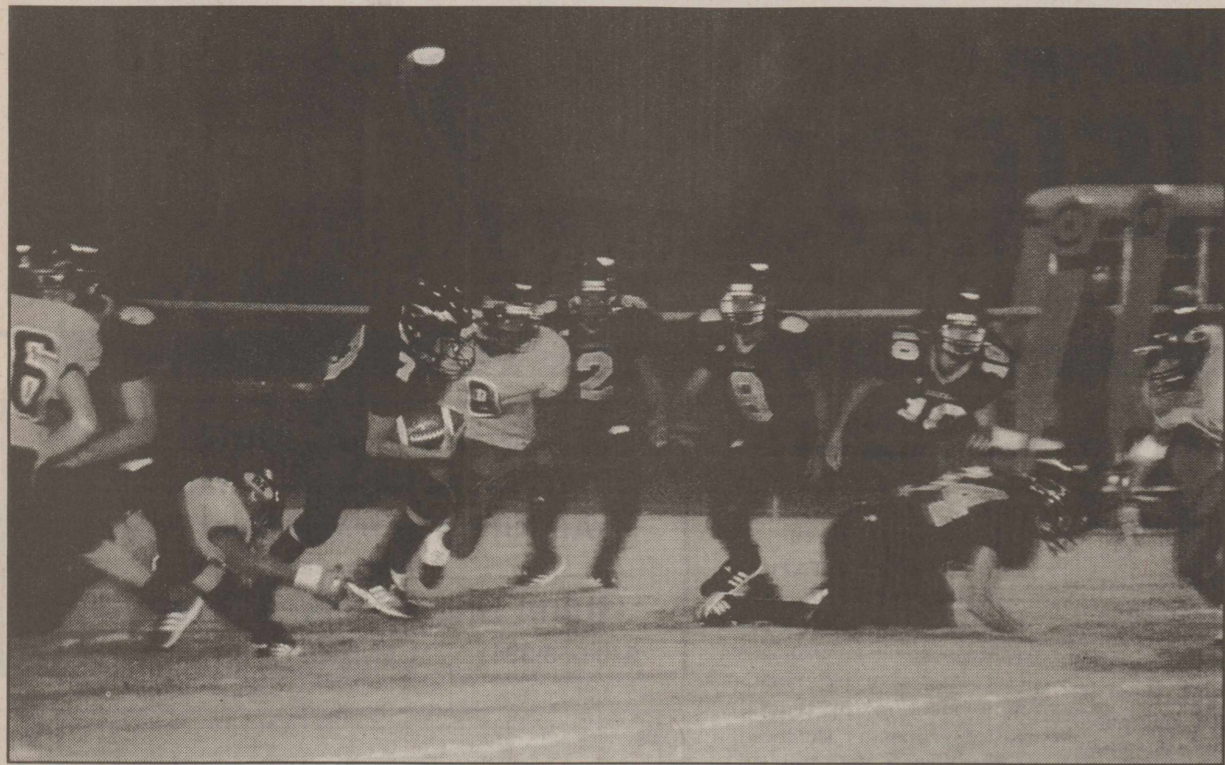
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MIXING IT UP WITH THE MOGULS—Haskell Indian #7, Ronald Chapman carries the ball in a play during the Indians' first game of the season against Munday Thurs., Sept 4. Photo by Bill Blankenship

Calendar

Athletic passes

Senior citizen district passes for Haskell CISD athletic event for 2003-04 will be available at the Haskell Administration Office at 605 N. Ave. E for those 65 years old and up. Office hours are from 8 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 4 p.m.

Booster Club

The Haskell Athletic Booster Club is seeking members. Booster club members will hear a pregame speech by Coach Brad Brunson and enjoy a meal before each home game at 6 p.m. in the old field house. Membership is \$10.

Rochester homecoming

The Rochester homecoming will be held Fri., Sept. 26 and Sat., Sept. 27.

Hunter's ed class

The Haskell Ag Dept. will host a hunter's education class Mon., Sept. 15 from 7 to 10 p.m.; Wed., Sept. 17 from 8 to 10 p.m. and Sat., Sept. 20 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. To legally hunt in Texas, you are required to have a hunter's education class to hunt if you were born on or after Sept. 2, 1971. Those who attend must be 12 years of age. Cost is \$10. Contact Justin Cox at 940-864-3310 or 864-5945 to enroll or for more information.

Sr. Citizen Dance

The Old Glory Senior Citizen's dance will be held Thurs., Sept. 11 from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Old Glory Community Center in Old Glory.

Immunizations

The Texas Dept. of Health in Stamford will hold an immunization clinic Thurs., Sept. 18 at the Haskell National Bank Community Building in Haskell. Clinic times are from 2 to 4 p.m. For more information call 325-773-5681.

Homecoming

The Haskell-Mattson-Weinert Homecoming will be held Oct. 10-11. Address changes, including new 911 addresses, may be mailed to Dorothy Hartsfield, 415 S. 1st or 405 N. Ave. H, Haskell, Texas 79521 or by email to hessharts@cs.com. Changes may also be given by phone at 864-2069 or 864-2004.

Garage sale

The Haskell Chamber of Commerce will hold a community-wide garage sale Sat., Oct. 4. Application forms are available at the Chamber of Commerce office at 510 S. 2nd St. or by calling 864-2477.

Subs training

Haskell CISD will hold a workshop for those interested in being a substitute teacher for the district Thurs., Sept. 29 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the First National Bank Conference Room. Those trained will be given priority when the school needs substitute teachers.

Rule Jubilee to celebrate Rule's 100th anniversary

The City of Rule will celebrate its 100th Anniversary, Sat., Oct. 4.

Anyone wishing to set up a booth for that day may contact Kenny Tanner at 940-997-2181 or at Farm Bureau at 940-864-2647.

Parade entries should contact Philip Manske at Rule Co-op Gin, 940-996-2421. Categories in the parade will be floats, youth and other.

Prizes given will be 1st-\$25.00; 2nd-\$15.00; 3rd-\$10.00.

The parade will begin at 2:00 p.m. Information about the Road Race may be obtained by calling Jill Brown at Rule ISD, 940-997-2246.

Hamburgers will be served at 5:30 p.m. The cost will be \$3.00, including a drink.

Fall Fest to feature gospel music

The Fall Fest on the square planned for Sat., Sept. 20, from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m., will provide an evening of live gospel music and family activities for the entire community.

Live presentation of gospel music throughout the evening will include the singing groups Desert Reign of Seymour and The Uprising of North Richland Hills.

A number of vendor booths set up around the square will include crafts, various foods, jewelry, T-shirts, kid's games, balloons and others.

A cake walk will be featured during the evening, and anyone wishing to bake and bring a cake will be appreciated.

The community event is being planned by several churches in the area.

Forum slated Sept. 24

A Forum on Rural Development will be held in Haskell Wed., Sept. 24 by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

The forum is designed to provide a briefing on agency programs and services while connecting potential customers to the available Rural Development programs and personnel.

The forum will begin at 1:00 p.m. at the Haskell National Bank Community Building. There is no cost to attend. Forum attendees will have the opportunity to interact with representatives from the Abilene local office, Area Director, and Rural Development State Director.

The forum will offer information for all USDA customers, including community-based organizations, non-profit corporations, builders, realtors and traditionally underserved customers.

To assure available seating, those interested in attending the forum should call 325-690-6162, extension 4, by Sept. 12.

All deadlines are 5 p.m. Monday.

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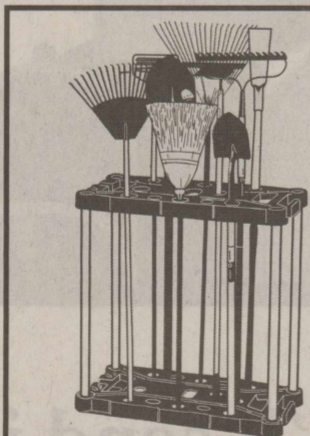
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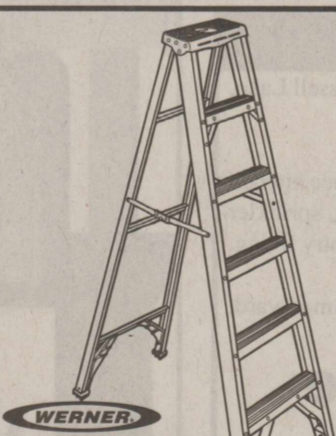
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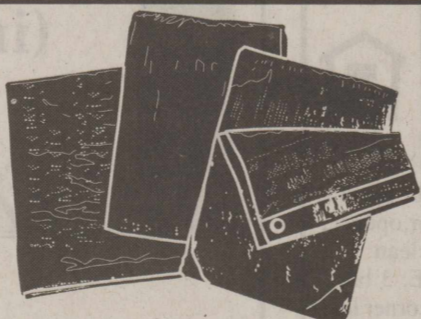


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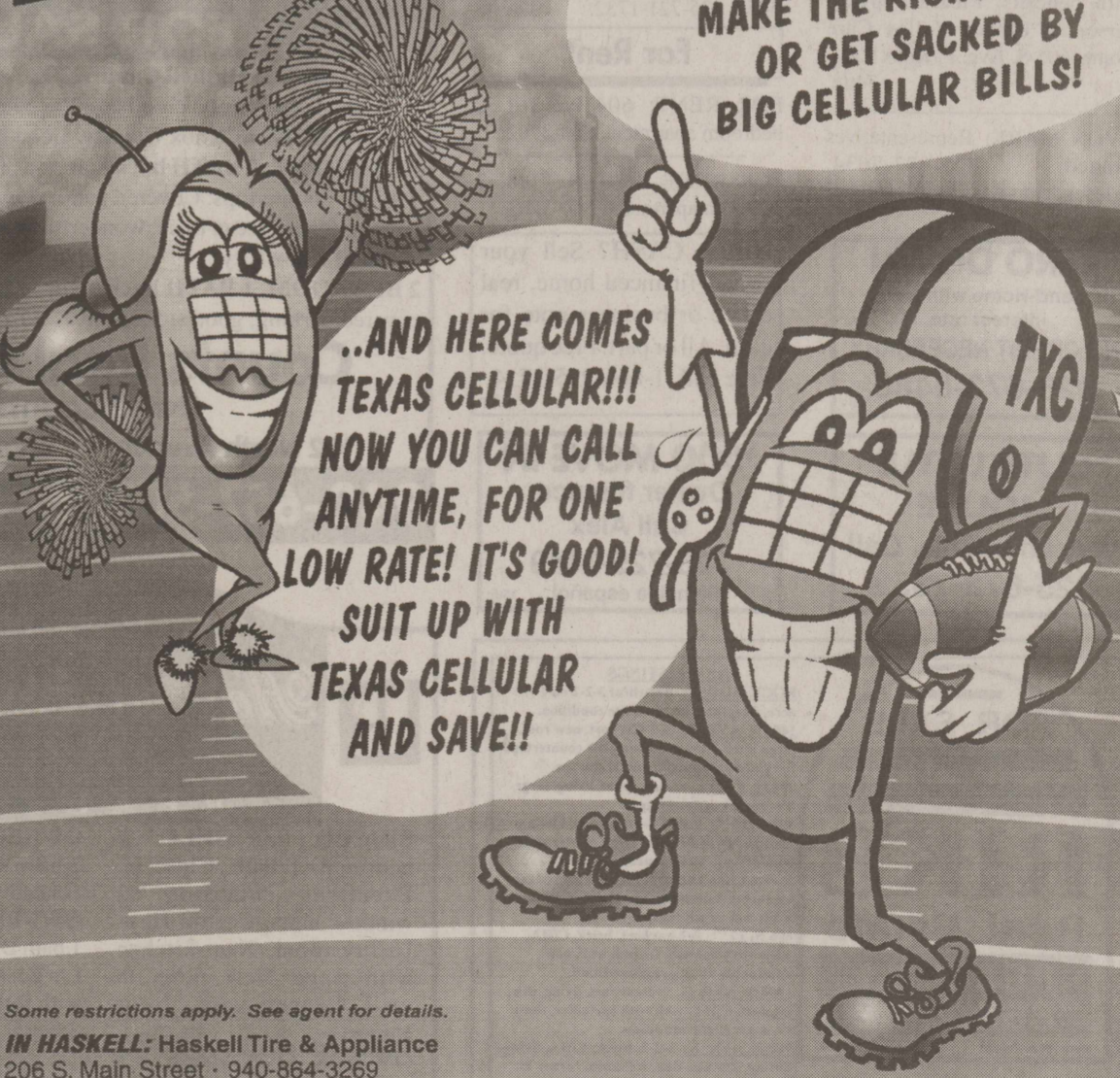
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