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## Calendar

### Nat'l Day of Mourning

President George W. Bush has issued an Executive Order stating that federal government offices shall be closed Fri., June 11 as a mark of respect for Ronald Reagan. Gov. Rick Perry also has declared Friday as an official day of mourning for state agencies. Included locally will be the FSA office and the U. S. Postal Service.

### Spring festival

St. George Catholic Church will host a Spring Festival Sun., June 13 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the church grounds. Food, drinks, bingo and games will be available.

### Kretschmer reunion

The Kretschmer reunion will be held Sat., June 19 at the Haskell National Bank Community Room, 600 S. 1st Street. Registration will begin at 2 p.m. followed by a business meeting at 3:30 p.m. Frankie and Ricky Moeller will cater the evening meal at 6 p.m. Those attending are asked to bring desserts.

### Noah Project

The Noah Project-North Advisory Committee will meet at the Pit & Grill restaurant in Haskell Fri., June 11 at noon. All members are asked to attend.

### Storm sirens

The City of Haskell will test the storm sirens at noon on Fridays, weather permitting.

### Summer food program

Haskell CISD will sponsor the Summer Food Service program. Meals will be served at Haskell Elementary School Cafeteria located at 306 S. Ave. G from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mon. through Fri. until July 30. Those ages 1 through 18 years of age will eat for free. Adults may eat for \$2.50. All are welcome.

### Immunizations

The Texas Dept. of Health in Stamford will hold an immunization clinic Thurs., June 17 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.

### Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., June 19 from 10 a.m. til 11:30 a.m. at 206 S. 2nd (building east of Civic Center) in Haskell. Volunteers are needed.

### Free concert

Iglesia Bautista el Calvario will host a free concert featuring Mana del Cielo on the east side of the square Sat., June 12 beginning at 5 p.m. Free hot dogs and soft drinks will be served.

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**FIRST PLACE WINNERS**—Pokey the Clown, left, stands with members of the first place winning team from Lyles Ranch of Benjamin at the Wild Horse Prairie Days Ranch Rodeo. From the

left are: Mike Lyles, Riley Carver, Tom Lyles, Clint Jones, Steve Elliott and Janeen Bailey, representative of Working Ranch Cowboy Association of Amarillo.

## Lyles Ranch wins WHPD rodeo

With twenty working ranch cowboy teams competing in events at the 9th annual Wild Horse prairie Days Rodeo in Haskell, June 4-5, a total of \$33,000.00 in prizes and money was awarded the winners.

In the Overall Winners, the team from Lyles Ranch of Benjamin took first place, and also took first place in the Wild Cow Milking and Branding.

Teams from the Cowan/Pautsky Ranch of Seymour and the Tongue River Ranch of Dumont tied for second place, which was combined with third place.

Fourth place Overall team winner was the Circle Bar Ranch of Truscott. Fifth place went to the Masterson Ranch of Guthrie. Sixth place went to the Triangle Ranch of Paducah.

Named Top Hand was Stoney Jones of the Tongue River Ranch. Top Horse was won by Kye Brandon of the Alexander Ranch of Abilene.

Members of the Ranch Teams competing were:

Alexander Ranch of Abilene: Clifton Brandon, Kye Brandon, Bucky Cooper, Tanner Rollins, Wes Ashlock.

R. A. Brown Ranch of Throckmorton: Gary Mathews, Tony Martinez, George Self, Chad Miller, Jake Wagner.

Triangle Ranch of Paducah: Frank Wright, Brent Brownlee, Tom Butler, Bruce Slover, Andy Paul Jones.

Clark Ranch of Breckenridge: Steve Ellis, Curtis Timmons, Danny Whitfield, Buster Frierson, Barrett Clark.

Green Ranch of Albany: Henry Green, Dustin Parsons, Rex Green, Robert Cauble, Bud Leech.

Spike Box Ranch of Benjamin: Mike Sheedy, Pete Condron, Nesto Estrada, Dewey Hill, Jim Tackett.

Pitchfork Ranch of Guthrie: Bob Moorhouse, James Gholson, Clay Timmons, Chris Abbott, Ross Ericson.

Waggoner Ranch of Vernon: Weldon Hawley, Mack Daniel, Lance Green, Chris Henry, Cody Jones.

Livingston Ranch of Seymour: Junior Livingston, Jeff Flowers, Doug Harny, Kirk Paige, Michael Martin.

NT Ranch of Anson: Joe Brewer.

Cody Aaron, Casey Armstrong, Ty Brown, Wayne Mitchell.

6666 Ranch of Guthrie: Monte Hollar, Bubba Withers, Pate Meinzer, Joe Leathers, Cody Bell.

Cowan/Pautsky Ranch of Seymour: Ho Ho Petit, Bobby Pautsky, Mickey Gee, Gary Don Overton, Robby Seward.

Guitar Ranch of Abilene: Billy Lamb, Tony Hall, Hegan Lamb, Cody Cochran, Ray Bradley.

Lyles Ranch of Benjamin: Mike Lyles, Riley Carver, Clint Jones, Tom Lyles, Steve Elliott.

Masterson Ranch of Guthrie: Robert Masterson, Robert Estrada,

Edward Estrada, Kenny Chambers, Mark Voss.

La-Mejor Ranch of Seymour: Don McCauley, Eddie Daniel, Chance Shaffer, K. C. Green, Aaron Stanfield.

Stewart Ranch of Munday: James Propps, Trey Propps, Jackie Doyle Hill, Jason Bowman, Jay Hart.

Thompson Ranch of Munday: Tyler Thompson, Trey Thompson, Eric Hager, Larry Abbott, Leland Wood.

Tongue River Ranch of Dumont: Bubba Smith, Monte Jones, Stoney Jones, Justin Johnson, Tye Smith.

Circle Bar Ranch of Truscott:

Jerry Bob Daniel, Randy Reed, Ricky Nolan, Kyle Everson, Colton Daniel.

The Champion Junior Ranch Cutting event winner was Jim Rounsaville. Champion Senior Ranch Cutting event winner was Sam Dove of Alpine.

The Doctoring event was won by the team from Spike Box Ranch. The Double Mugging was won by Cowan Ranch and Pautsky Ranch.

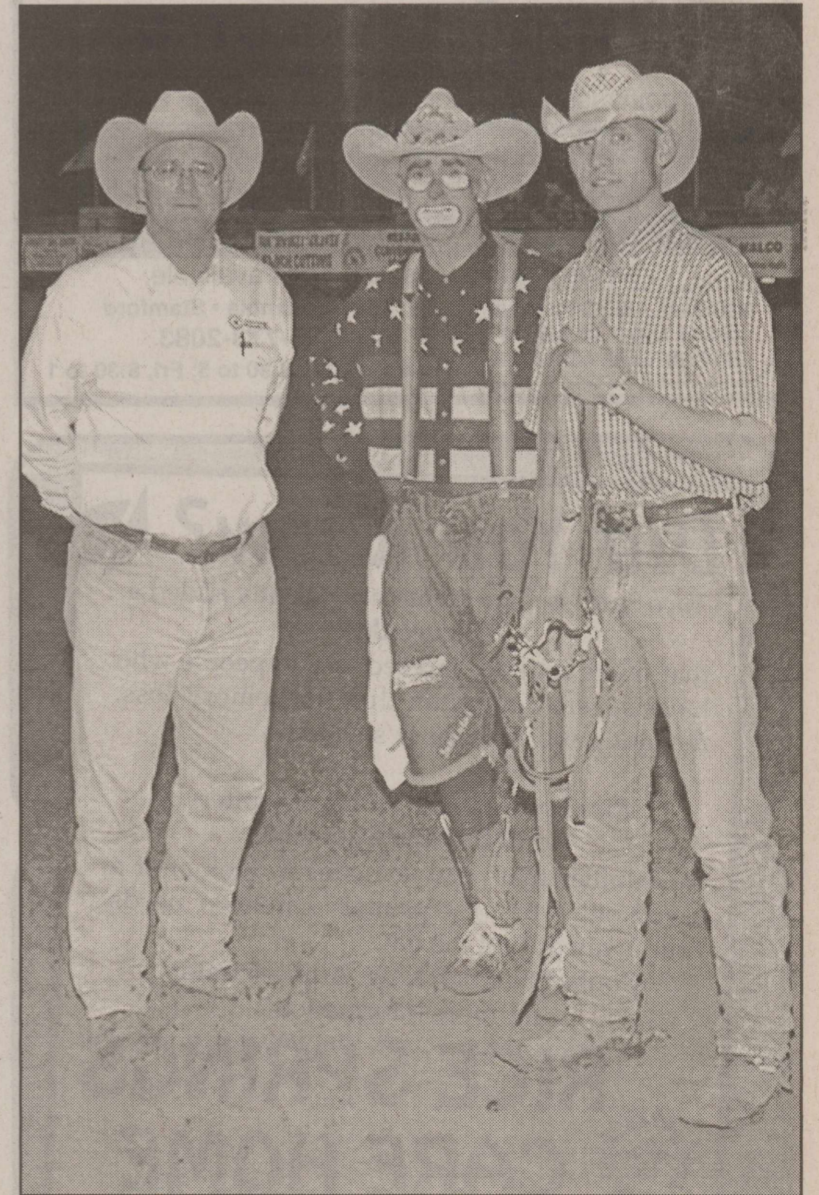
Branding was won by the team from Lyles Ranch.

Ranch Saddle Bronc riding was won by Cody Aaron of the NT Ranch. The Sorting event was won by the

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**TOP HAND**—Stoney Jones of Tongue River Ranch won the Top Hand award at the WHPD Ranch Rodeo events. With him is Gerry Cates of Albany.



**TOP HORSE WINNER**—Kyle Brandon, on the right, of the Alexander Ranch of Abilene accepts the prize for the WHPD event. Standing with him are Gerry Cates of Albany, left and Pokey the Clown.

## Series of break-ins plague businesses

Within the span of two days recently, several businesses in the Haskell area have sustained theft loss and building damage from break-in burglaries happening during the night to early morning hours.

Haskell County Sheriff David Halliburton reported that on Tues., May 25, subjects broke into the Time Out Liquor Store south of Haskell, gaining entry to the building by pulling the metal screen door from its frame and then breaking the glass in the front door. Items taken from the store were beer, cigarettes and change.

This burglary was still under investigation Tues., June 1. Anyone having information about this burglary is asked to contact the Haskell County Sheriff's Office.

On Thurs., May 27, the businesses of Cecil's Meat Market and Johnnie's game room were broken into.

Items taken from the game room were a cash register and bags of chips. Entrance to the game room was through the back door.

At Cecil's, entry was made by breaking out the front window. Items taken were cigarettes, snuff and change.

Information was received on the subjects, and one subject has been questioned about the two burglaries. Sheriff Halliburton said that any information received will remain anonymous.

With a general reminder to all citizens, Sheriff Halliburton said, "School is out, so watch out for the children at play and have a safe summer."

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# The water you save may be your own

Little kids ask for a last drink of water before going to bed. Food is boiled or simmered or stewed. Clothes and dishes are washed several times a day. Sprinkler systems come on automatically.

Water is such a fact of life that it's easy to forget it's also an absolute necessity.

That's why conserving water at home is so important, said Janie Harris, Texas Cooperative Extension housing and environment specialist.

"Imagine what it would be like to turn on the tap and not get at least a drop of water," she said. "People in some parts of the country know this does happen. Water shortages are now a local or regional problem. Someday they may be a national problem."

Conserving water does more than preserve a vital natural resource, she said. It also conserves energy and

money. "Energy is required to pump, move and purify water," she said. "Both energy and money are required to heat water—whether it is the water we heat and use or the water we heat and waste through poor management practices."

Conservation begins with awareness, Harris said. Studies show water use at home usually runs between 66 gallons and 118 gallons per person per day, with urban households more likely to use larger amounts.

Any way you pour it, that's an enormous amount of water. The best way to conserve it is to stop wasting it, Harris said. Some of her suggestions are:

- Inspect the plumbing system to check for leaks. If any are found, fix them immediately.
- Install reduced-flow

showerheads.

•If leaving for a vacation or trip, turn off all water. This will prevent anyone from turning on outside faucets while you are gone and will eliminate the worry of burst pipes.

•To check for a leak in the toilet, put a small amount of food coloring in the tank. If the color trickles into the bowl, repairs are needed.

•Replace old toilets with 1.6-gallon flush toilets. Or reduce the amount of water used in older toilets by filling a one-quart plastic (not glass, which can break) bottle with water and putting it in the tank. This will save a quart of water per flush. (Don't use a brick for this purpose since particles from the brick can damage the valve.)

•Don't wash partial loads of clothes in high water levels. If smaller loads must be washed, change the setting of the water level to low or medium.

•Limit shower time to four minutes per shower. Even more water can be saved if some showers are replaced with sponge baths.

•Turn the water off while shaving, brushing teeth and doing other grooming tasks. Turn the water on only when it's needed.

•When peeling and/or cleaning produce, use a pan of water instead of letting the tap run.

•Limit the use of the garbage disposal. Save scraps and run the disposal unit once or save the scraps for a compost pile.

•Use a pressure cooker to save time, water and energy.

•Keep a bottle of water in the refrigerator for instant cold drinking water.

•Save leftover vegetable juices to make stews, soups and gravy. Use syrups and juices from canned fruits for making gelatin salads and for drinking.

•Wash only full loads in the dishwasher. Most dishwashers use between 9 and 13 gallons per cycle.

•Scrape dishes if necessary before placing them in the dishwasher. Avoid unnecessary rinsing.

•When washing dishes by hand, use a pan of soapy water for washing and a second pan of clear hot water for rinsing.

•Wipe up small spills when they happen so the entire floor won't have to be mopped.

•Do household chores together to save water. Clean lightly-soiled surfaces first—such as mirrors, walls and woodwork—and floors last.

•Water indoor plants only when needed.

•Wash the car less often. Or better yet, take advantage of a soft summer rain—get out there with a soap and sponge and let the rain do the rinse job.

•Minimize landscape water needs by planting native plants and those that require less water.

•Use trickle or drip irrigation in outdoor gardens. These methods use 25 percent to 50 percent less water than a hose or sprinkler.

•Water the garden thoroughly but not as often. And don't let water run down the driveway or into the street.

•When choosing new appliances or plumbing fixtures, select models that are designed to help save water.

## Obituaries

### Elda Jean Aikin

Funeral services for Elda Jean Aikin, 80, of Rochester were held Tues., June 8 at Rule Church of Christ with John Greeson officiating. Burial was in Rochester Cemetery under the direction of Mansell-Smith Funeral Home of Rochester.

Born Elda Jean Hook Aug. 23, 1923 in Rochester, she was the daughter of Sol and Deanie Hook. She was the fifth of six children. She and her husband, Owen Aikin, spent eleven years in France and eight years

in Quebec, Canada as missionaries. She was preceded in death by her parents; son, Edward Owen Aikin; and brother, George Hook.

Survivors include her husband, Owen, of 61 years; son, Otto Aikin of Snyder; daughter, Linda Farrier of Dallas; sisters, Emily Wilson of Rochester and Lois Yeary of El Paso; brother, Cecil Hook of Portland, Oregon; and two grandchildren, Lisa and Herbert. PD. NOTICE



ELDA JEAN AIKIN

### James Whitaker

Funeral services for James Whitaker, 84, of Haskell were held Sat., June 5 at Greater Independent Baptist Church in Haskell with Rev. Tom Collins officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home.

Mr. Whitaker died Mon., May 31 at a local nursing home.

Born Aug. 23, 1919 in Little Rock, Ark., he was the son of James and Lovie Whitaker. He married Catherine Lewis in Haskell. He worked in construction for over forty

years and was a member of Greater Independent Baptist Church. He served his country in the U. S. military for four years.

Survivors include his wife, Catherine Whitaker of Haskell; stepchildren, Alice Collins of Haskell, Alberta Oudems, Arie Swearingin and Stephanie Lewis, all of Midland and Betty Modkins of Fort Worth; brother, L. C. Whitaker of Haskell; sister, Lou Collins of Haskell; several grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews and close friends. PD. NOTICE

### Charles Roy Lewis

Funeral services for Charles Roy Lewis, 63, of Haskell were held Wed., June 9 at First Baptist Church in Haskell with Jason Byrd officiating. Burial was June 10 at Santa Fe National Cemetery in Santa Fe, N.M. Services were under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home.

Born March 10, 1941 in Puxico, Missouri, he was the son of Paul and Rose Galloway Lewis. He married Joyce Lee Smith Aug. 27, 1994 in Albuquerque, N.M. He proudly served his country in the U. S. Army from 1958 to 1978. He received the following awards: National Defense Service Medal, Bronze Star Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (Korea), Army Commendation Medal, Expert Infantry Badge, Aircraft Crewman Badge, Air Medal with OLC, Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm (Unit), Missile Badge (2nd Class), Good Conduct Medal (4th Award) and Army Commendation Medal with OLC.

He was a member of the VFW, American Legion, 32nd

Degree Mason, York Rite, Scottish Rite, Ballut Abayad Legion of Honor, Shriners and Paint Creek Volunteer Fire Department. He served as Chief of the Paint Creek Volunteer Fire Department, which he had started to rebuild in 1999 from scratch. He loved the outdoors, fishing and hunting. He enjoyed woodworking and was designing a water sprinkler system for his yard. He helped the disabled by building handicap ramps and other aids. Di spent 26 years looking for Charles and only had him for six years. He was husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather.

Survivors include his wife, Joyce Lee Smith Lewis of Haskell; sons, Charles R. Lewis of Antioch, Illinois, Daniel R. Lewis of Kenosha, Wisconsin; daughter, Debora A. Whitfield (Brueggeman) of Haskell; stepdaughters, Carolyn Henderson of Denver, Colorado and Kathy A. Stone of Lubbock; grandchildren, Pamela, Erin, Bobby, Christopher, Misty, Jason, John, Cyle, Thomas and Caleb; and great grandchildren, Anastasia and Dustin. PD. NOTICE

### Lewis Frank Brueggeman

Graveside services for Lewis Frank Brueggeman, 80, of Haskell were held Sat., June 5 at Roberts Cemetery in Haskell County with Rev. Tony Grand and Rev. Kenneth Blair officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home in Haskell.

Mr. Brueggeman died Thurs., June 3 at his residence. Born April 20, 1924 in rural Haskell County, he was the son of the late Louis Theodore and Cleo Zelisko Brueggeman. He was a veteran of the U. S. Army, serving during World War II in the Philippines, New Guinea, Luzon and was in the occupying forces in Japan. He was a medic of the medical detachment in the 126th Infantry, 32nd "Red Arrow" Division. He received the Philippine Liberation Ribbon with two bronze stars, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with 3 bronze stars, World War II Victory Medal, the Distinguished Unit Citation, and Good Conduct Medal. He married Viola Katherine Darden May 2, 1951 in Haskell. She preceded him in death Nov. 22, 2002. A retired farmer, carpenter, oilfield roughneck, he had also worked for Haskell County Precincts 3 and 4. He worked hard all of his life and made sure his family

had what they needed. He was a Baptist.

Preceding him in death were his parents; his wife, and three sisters.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Linda and Tony Haynes; two sons and daughters-in-law, Danny and Connie Brueggeman and Lynn and Nancy Brueggeman; all of Haskell; four brothers-in-law, five sisters-in-law, Orville and Jimmie Darden, Glenn and Gerald Darden, Curtis and Peggy Darden, Wallace and Margaret Bird, all of Haskell, and Sara Jane Darden of Denton; four grandchildren, Sydney, Garrett, and Malinda Brueggeman, all of Haskell, Amanda Bibb of Munday; great grandson, Austin of Munday; and a brother, T. J. and Doris Brueggeman of Haskell.

Pallbearers were nephews, Jerry, Randy, Craig, Gary and Kyle Darden, Gary and Forrest Mayfield, Terry Joe Brueggeman and Steven and Ricky Bird.

Memorials may be made to Experienced Citizens Center, 1404 S. First St., Haskell, Texas 79521. PD. NOTICE

## Weathers Whys

### Power of Lightning

Q: Some bolts of lightning seem very faint, while others brighten up the entire sky. How powerful is lightning?

A: Most people aren't aware of the incredible energy and power of lightning, says Michael Hammer of Texas A&M University. "It's true that some bolts of lightning are much stronger than others," he explains. "At any given moment, there are about 1,800 thunderstorms occurring all over the Earth, and it's estimated that each second, there are about 100

lightning flashes somewhere over our planet. A typical lightning bolt contains about 15 million volts of electricity and instantly heats up the air around it to over 60,000 degrees, with some reaching more than 100,000 degrees. That's why the total energy of a strong thunderstorm can exceed the energy released during an atomic explosion."

Q: Then how do people survive when struck by lightning?

A: Many don't, Hammer adds. "Since 1959, about 90 people a year die in the U.S. as the result of

lightning strikes," Hammer says.

"Many people do survive after being hit by lightning, and there are some remarkable stories about individuals being literally knocked out of their shoes, or of horseshoes being blown off of horses as the bolt passes through their bodies. Florida and Arizona are two states known for lightning fatalities. In the summer months, Arizona has thunderstorms that occur almost every day and these usually contain lightning. Arizona averages about 4 lightning deaths a year, and nearly all of these fatalities occur during this 3-month period."

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# Garden checklist for month of June

by Brandon Anderson  
Haskell Co. Extension Agent

Take a critical look at your landscape while at the height of summer development. Make notes of how you think it can be better arranged, plants that need replacement, overgrown plants that need to be removed, and possible activity areas that can be enjoyed by family members.

Check for insects and diseases. Destroy badly infested plants. Spider mites can be especially troublesome at this time. Select a chemical or organic control, or use insecticidal soap.

Supplemental irrigation is essential for many ornamental plants such as coleus, caladium, geranium, dahlia, azalea, and camellia during the hot, dry summer days ahead. Water lawn and garden thoroughly, but not too frequently. As a general rule, soak to a depth of 8 inches. Finish watering by early afternoon, to lessen the chance of disease.

During the summer, soil moisture becomes extremely important and essential for good plant production. Because continual watering is oftentimes costly and time consuming, it pays to conserve the moisture around plants. This is best done by mulching. A good mulch will retain valuable moisture needed for plant growth, and improve overall gardening success.

Mulches are usually applied 2 to 6 inches deep, depending on the material used. In general, the coarser the material, the deeper the mulch. For example, a 2-inch layer of cottonseed hulls will have about the same mulching effect as 6 inches of oat straw or 4 inches of coastal Bermuda hay.

There is still time to plant some of the colorful, heat-tolerant summer annuals. Direct-seed zinnias and portulaca, and purchase plants of periwinkle, salvia, marigold, and

purslane. Be sure to water transplants as needed until roots become established.

Removing faded flowers from plants before they set seed will keep them growing and producing flowers. A light application of fertilizer every 4 to 6 weeks will also be helpful.

House plants can be moved out of doors this month. Sink the pots in a cool, shaded garden bed to prevent them from drying out so quickly; water pots, container plants, and hanging baskets often. Monthly feedings with house plant fertilizer will encourage continued growth.

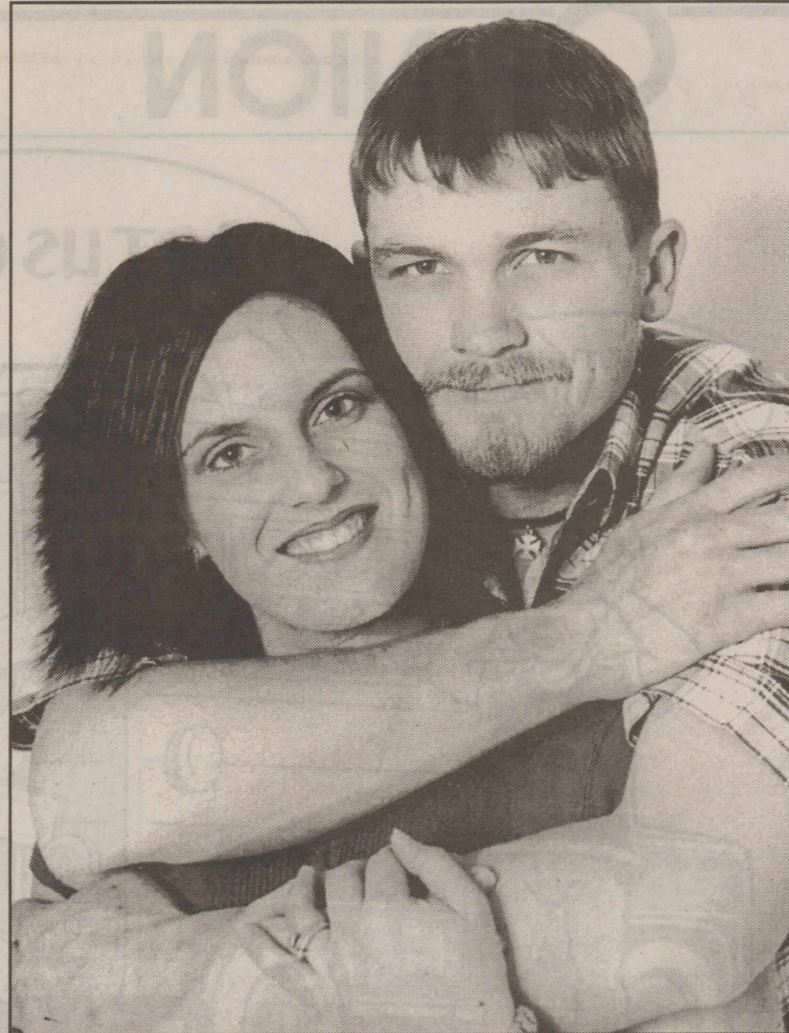
Now is the time to plan for next spring. Consider digging and dividing any crowded spring bulbs. Once the bulbs have matured and the foliage has turned brown, it is time to spade them up and thin out the stand. Crowded bulbs produce fewer and smaller blooms. They usually need thinning every 3 to 4 years.

June is the time to select daylily varieties as they reach their peak of bloom.

Fertilize roses every 4 to 6 weeks. Apply a high-nitrogen fertilizer immediately after a flush of bloom.

Continue to spray susceptible roses with a black-spot control such as Funginex every 7 to 10 days.

Re-blooming salvias, such as Salvia greggii and S. Farinacea, should be pruned back periodically during the summer. To make the job easier, use hedging shears, and remove only the spent flowers and a few inches of stem below. Fall-blooming perennials, such as Mexican marigold (Tagetes lucida), chrysanthemums, physostegia, and Salvia leucantha, should be pruned in the same manner during the summer to keep them compact, reducing the need for staking. This type of pruning should be completed prior to Sept. 1, since flower buds begin forming about that time.



MEGAN BIRD - RILEY PACE III

## Bird, Pace plan June 26 wedding

Megan Michelle Bird, daughter of Sharon and Ricky Bird of Haskell, and Riley James Pace III, son of Jim Pace of Haskell and Connie Pace of Abilene, have announced their engagement to be married.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Haskell High School, and is

employed by Dr. Cliff Ray.

The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Paint Creek High School, and is employed by Brazos Valley Irrigation and Pace Farms.

The couple plans a wedding on Sat., June 26 at the home of Scott and Sylvia Bingham of Haskell.

## Simmons family holds reunion

Sun., May 30, members of the Simmons family held their annual reunion at the Haskell National Bank Community Room. Twenty-nine were present to share family news and the noon meal.

Attending were: R. W. Aycock, Irma Jean Aycock, Bob Aycock, Delores Breshears, Janice Smith, Brandon Isbell, Timmy Wilson with C. Joe and Kelly, Jessica and Braxton

Jackson, all of Haskell; Lela Mae Pack of Knox City; Stella Story, Wayne and Sissy Jackson, all of Breckenridge; Agatha Aycock, Larry and Alice Aycock, all of San Antonio; Jaime Fore of Andrews; Rocky and Nadine Koltermann and grandchildren, David, Ben, Sarah and Matthew, all of Center Point; Janice, Clay and Mary Francis of Perrin; and Linda Burks of Lancaster.

## Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Hyrum and Jean Richards were in Big Spring last week visiting with Jean's uncle, Gaylon Head. He lives in the Texas State Veterans Home there.

Ron and Edith Hilliard of Madison, Wisconsin spent several days during the Memorial Day holidays with his mother, Bernice Hilliard. Jason Hilliard of Fort Worth

and Jerry Hilliard of Houston with Bernice and their aunt Myrtle in Rule.

Kip and Kaye Derrick of Fort Worth spent the weekend with her mother, Fannie Mae Barton. Rev. Jeff Gore and wife, Donna had lunch with them on Saturday. They all attended the cowboy services on Sunday and had lunch together. They were joined by Erma Liles of Weinert.

## Reheat food properly

In today's fast-paced, convenience-oriented society, grabbing pre-made dinners to take home and ordering food to be delivered are on the rise. Or if we do still cook in our own kitchens, we tend to prepare enough to reheat the next day.

This recent trend toward "heat and eat" could be dangerous if leftover items or pre-cooked foods aren't reheated to the proper temperature, says Lona Sandon, a registered dietitian and assistant professor of clinical nutrition at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

"Most of us only reheat food in the microwave until it feels warm to the touch or tastes hot, but this is not the best way to know if you've heated

foods thoroughly," she said. "Reheated food should reach a temperature of 165 degrees Fahrenheit."

How do you tell? "The best idea is to purchase a food thermometer—which can be inexpensive and work in the microwave—and test foods, particularly when they are high protein or meat items. Those are the riskiest."

On a similar note, refrigerator temperatures should range between 32 and 40 degrees Fahrenheit for proper cold storage, and can be measured by placing a thermometer inside. "Above 40 degrees, there is more bacteria growth and could put food in the danger zone," she says.

## Births

Randy and Nicole Spalding of Stamford announce the birth of their daughter, Rylea LaShay Spalding, born May 11 weighing 7 lbs. 1 oz. and measuring 19 1/2 inches long. Grandparents are Wade and Elaine

Gomillion of Rule, David and Helen Holcomb of Stamford and Robert and Clara Spalding of Hamlin.

Great grandparents are E. L. and Venice Elmore of Rule.

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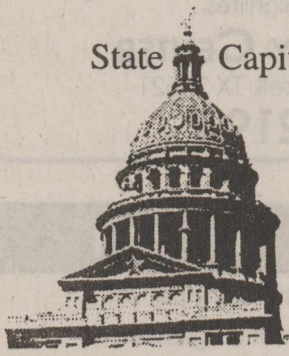
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## HIGHLIGHTS

By Mike Cox

### Reagan presidency boosted 2 Texans to White House

AUSTIN—When the news came that former President Ronald Reagan had died, Texas Republicans were holding their annual convention in San Antonio.

Party veterans recalled that nearly 20 years earlier, President Reagan had been in Dallas for another Republican event—the party's national convention. In Big D on Aug. 23, 1984, the nation's Big R accepted his party's nomination for a second term as president.

Reagan carried Texas and 48 other states in his landslide reelection, but a Web site called "Things Named in Honor of Ronald Reagan" shows only one Texas high school—in San Antonio—named after the late president.

Clearly, there is no correlation between the number of times a politician's name goes up on a public building and the impact that person has on a particular area. If that were the case, and assuming only Republicans got to name buildings, every other school in Texas would be named for Reagan.

From the standpoint of Texas history, Reagan was no Sam Houston, but his presidency helped put two Texans in the White House inside a decade.

By choosing George Herbert Walker Bush as his vice presidential running mate in 1980, Reagan paved the way for the Bush presidency in 1989.

That presidency, though it only lasted one term, made it feasible for son George W. Bush to seek the governorship. Becoming governor of the nation's second-most populated state, in turn, gave the younger Bush the successful shot he took at the White House.

Both the 41st and the 43rd president will be at Reagan's funeral, along with a lot of other Texans.

### Gas up, auto insurance may go down...

It's costing more to fill your vehicle with gasoline, but it's getting a little less expensive to drive around with the required level of auto insurance.

If the Texas Department of Insurance OKs it, State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Co. will decrease what it charges for collision coverage by an average of 2.2 percent in August.

Earlier this year, USAA cut its rates in Texas by 4.5 percent.

Progressive Insurance followed suit in March, dropping its rates by 2 percent.

The Texas rate decreases buck the national trend. According to the Insurance Information Institute, auto insurance rates are expected to increase 3.5 percent this year. Estimated national average cost for auto insurance is \$871 a year.

### Go figure...

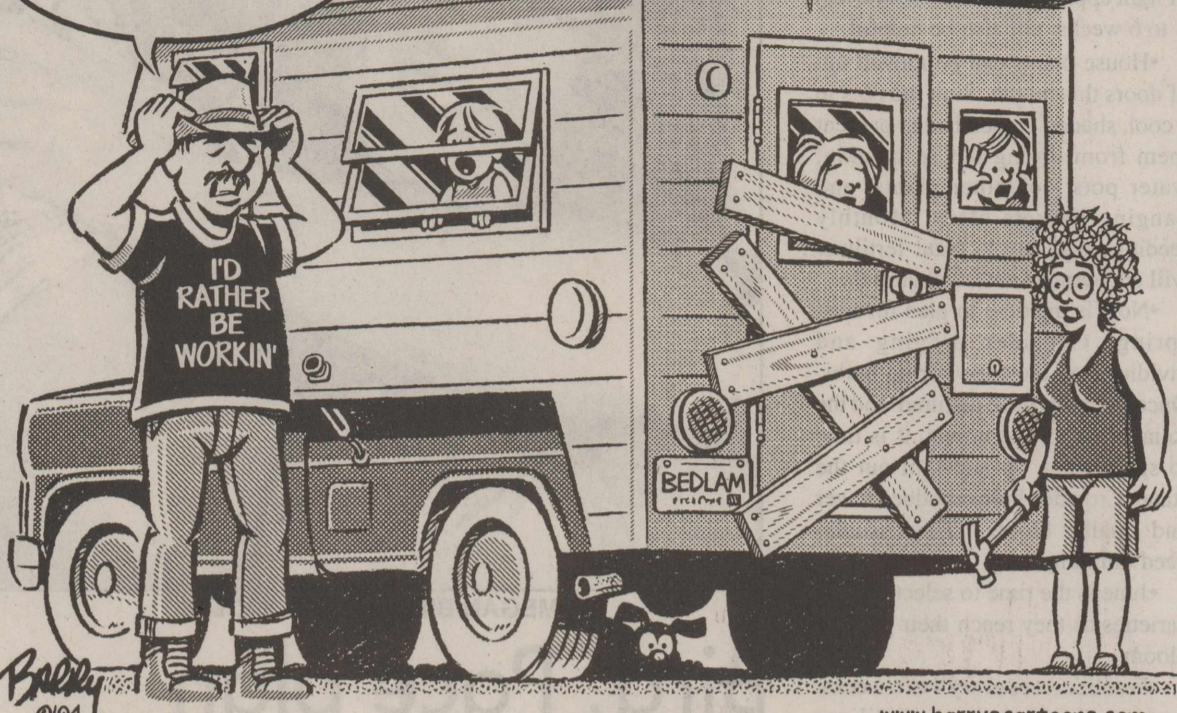
Nervous that someone will steal your brand new vehicle? According to the Texas Department of Public Safety, a 5-year-old car or truck has a better chance of being stolen than a new set of wheels fresh off the showroom floor.

In its annual listing of the most-stolen vehicles in Texas, the DPS said cars and trucks five years and older amount to roughly 70 percent of all vehicles stolen in the state (pickups claim three of the first four categories).

In the good news category, auto theft dropped 4.6 percent in Texas last year compared with the year before. Even so, nearly 100,000 vehicles were stolen, a loss of \$782 million.

The top vehicles most preferred by thieves include General Motors pickups, Ford pickups, Honda Accords, Dodge pickups, GM Suburbans, Honda Civics, Toyota Camry, Ford Taurus and Ford Mustang.

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## From the AG

By Greg Abbott

### Charitable Raffles: Know the Law

My office receives numerous calls from Texans across the state who are hoping to raise money for a good cause. Many Texans decide they want to do a raffle. But is it legal to raise funds with a raffle?

It depends. The Charitable Raffle Enabling Act which has been in effect since Sept. 1, 1999, establishes the guidelines for conducting a legal raffle in the State of Texas. The Act was established to provide certain charitable and non-profit membership organizations a means to generate income to support their causes.

The Act defines the types of organizations that can hold raffles. In general a qualified organization is defined as:

An association organized primarily for religious purposes that has been in existence in Texas for at least ten years.

A voluntary emergency medical service that does not pay its members other than nominal compensation.

A volunteer fire department that operates fire fighting equipment and does not pay its members other than nominal compensation.

Other organizations may qualify. You can hold a raffle if your non-profit organization:

- is at least three years old;
- elects its governing body;
- has a 501(c) tax exemption;
- has members;
- does not distribute income to its members; and
- does not participate in any political campaign.

These are the ONLY organizations allowed to hold raffles in Texas. Any other type of organization, business or individual conducting a raffle in Texas would be doing so illegally. The law also regulates what types of prizes may be offered. Qualified organizations may offer any prize except money. There is no value limit on prizes donated to the organization. However, if raffle organizers offer a prize they have bought or given other consideration for, the value of the prize may not exceed \$50,000.

There are a few other restrictions. For example, a qualified organization may only hold two raffles per year. Raffle tickets may not be advertised state wide or through paid advertisements. Each ticket must provide the name and address of the organization holding the raffle or the address of an officer of the organization. Tickets may only be sold by members of the organization. Additionally, the ticket must include the price of the ticket and a general description of each prize that has a value of more than \$10.

A raffle that violates the Charitable Raffle Enabling Act is considered illegal gambling under the Texas Penal Code. Conducting an illegal raffle is a Class A misdemeanor and participation is a Class C misdemeanor.

My office would not be permitted to advise you about whether your particular organization, or any particular proposed raffle, would be legal. We can only provide these general guidelines. If you have doubts about the legality of a raffle, consult a private attorney.

For information on conducting a legal raffle in Texas, read Chapter 2002, Charitable Raffles, Occupations Code, Texas Codes Annotated. We also offer an online brochure on charitable raffles that can be found on our Web site at www.oag.state.tx.us.

## Correction

The order of the runners-up for the Junior Miss category of the Wild Horse Prairie Queen competition should have read Tabitha Schonersted, first runner up and Kailey McCord, second runner up. Information appeared incorrectly in the June 3 edition of the Haskell Free Press.

## From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

### 10 Years Ago June 9, 1994

Deborah Guinn, RNC, BSN, of Sagerton was inducted into the Iota Mu chapter of Sigma Theta Tu International Honor Society of Nursing at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Nursing.

Six Haskell Indians were named to the 5-2A all-district baseball team and another Indian landed on the second team. First-team selections included Shannon Meeks, Chuckie Castillo, Cody Cypert, Jason Torres, Chris Silvas and Jonathan Tatum. Casey Larned was a second-team choice. Stacy Walker and Stephen Campbell received honorable mention.

Elizabeth Harris, granddaughter of Faye Simpson of Rule, was selected as Valedictorian at Midland Lee High School.

Kim and Gary Cram of San Antonio announced the birth of a son, Stuart Kenneth. Stuart has a brother, Stephen. Grandparents are Ken and

Nelda Lane.

### 20 Years Ago June 14, 1984

Geraldine Hise, Municipal Judge of Haskell, attended the Ninth Annual Seminar and Workshop of the Texas Municipal Courts Association in Huntsville.

First place winner in the junior division of the Haskell County fashion show was Mindy Ballard of Rochester. Michelle Scoggins of Rochester was first in the intermediate division and Jill Jennings of Haskell was first in the senior division and named as best senior model.

Major Lewis celebrated his 106th birthday. Willard Scott of the Today Show sent Lewis a happy birthday letter.

Mindy Smith and Kelly Strickland of Haskell placed second and Jerry Davis of Haskell received third place honors at the State 4-H Roundup at Texas A&M University.

Kim Jones of Rochester took top honors in the State 4-H Food Show in College Station.

### 30 Years Ago June 13, 1974

Haskell winners in the first flight at the Big Five Women's Golf Association were Roberta Jenkins Ruby Medford and Marion Frierson.

The daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Earl McClintock hosted a reception in honor of their parents' golden wedding anniversary in the Mountain City Center in Santa Anna.

Giles Kemp was the Trail Boss and Mrs. Giles Kemp was the Trail Drive Queen of the 7th annual cattle drive, sponsored by the Haskell Livestock Auction.

Marine PFC, Marlin S. Wilson of Rochester graduated as honorman from recruit training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego.

Marja Beakley of Rule was named to the Dean's honor roll at Abilene Christian College.

### 40 Years Ago June 11, 1964

Honored as outstanding Airman of the Year at Minot AFB, North Dakota was Airman First Class Roy L. Petrich of Haskell.

Rev. Ray Nobles, pastor of First Baptist Church of Haskell, had conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity by Jackson College, Hawaii.

Dude Montgomery, southeast

## Water savvy tips for a thriving, healthy lawn

Hot summer months can do a number on a lush, green lawn. To maintain the healthy lawn you've worked so hard to grow this spring, be savvy with your watering regimen and watch your grass thrive.

Balance is key.

Don't assume during a warm spell that the more water you soak into your lawn the healthier it will be. Depending on the soil type, a lawn can use about one or two inches of water per week.

To measure how much your grass is getting, put a few graduated cups

or cans in the sprinkling area to see how much water is collected. Run your sprinkler or irrigation system for 15 minutes, then measure the water in the cans. Multiply that number by four to get the average total for one hour of watering time. This exercise will also let you know which areas your sprinkling system is missing.

A good rule of thumb: It is better to water for shorter periods of time, more often. Keep the soil consistently moist but not wet. This ensures that your grass gets a steady supply of moisture without wasting water.

Timing is everything.

Don't water at night—water can sit on the lawn and may cause disease.

Don't water at midday—you'll lose the most water to evaporation at this time.

Do water early in the morning—evaporation is minimized and the lawn utilizes the most water.

Trust a timer.

Installing an automatic timer on your sprinkler or irrigation system will ensure that you don't accidentally leave it running and over-soak your grass. It can give you peace of mind to know that you won't be wasting water if you forget to turn the sprinkler off, and the grass will benefit indefinitely from regular and efficient waterings.

Timers are great for conserving water; just be sure yours doesn't water when it is pouring rain. Consider installing a rain sensor if you have an irrigation system.

Cool it on the chemicals.

Applying too many chemicals on your lawn could kill more than weeds. Organic lawns require less water than chemically treated ones, especially in hot weather. Try using a mulching mower and leaving your clippings on the lawn when you mow. This returns valuable nutrients to the soil and helps retain moisture.

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### by Brandon Anderson Haskell Co. Extension Agent

Every summer East Texas ponds lose fish to oxygen depletion, and an early summer leads to early die-offs. Oxygen depletion goes up with increased temperature and cloud cover.

Oxygen depletion accounts for

about 85 percent of all fish deaths in Texas ponds. A symptom of low oxygen levels is if fish come up to the surface gasping for air.

Pond owners who have a motor-powered boat can fight oxygen depletion by starting the motor in shallow water and allow it to run until the fish recover.

## Despite high water levels, ponds oxygen depleted



# Poultry disease detected near Sulphur Springs; birds tested

A breeder flock with about 24,000 birds was depopulated and buried Thurs., May 27, on a commercial poultry farm in Hopkins County in northeast Texas, near Sulphur Springs. Routine blood tests indicated that the flock, which lays eggs for hatching, had the H7N3 subtype of avian influenza (AI), one of the many strains of the viral disease. While AI does not compromise the food safety of cooked poultry or eggs, some forms of the disease can cause heavy death losses in a flock.

"The National Veterinary Services Laboratory in Ames, Iowa, has reported the evidence of the H7N3 AI virus in the flock, but it may be a

week or 10 days before virus isolation results are available. There has been very little evidence of clinical signs of disease or increased mortality in the flock, leading us to believe this may be low-pathogenic AI, which causes little death loss in birds," said Dr. Bob Hillman, Texas, state veterinarian and executive director for the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC), the state's livestock and poultry health regulatory agency. Pathogenicity tests cannot be performed until virus has been isolated from samples. The pathogenicity refers to the virus, ability to cause illness and death in birds.

"The affected Hopkins County

flock was negative for the AI virus during routine surveillance tests 10 weeks ago, and the birds have never been moved from the farm," said Dr. Hillman. "These factors give us some reassurance that the disease may not have spread in the area. However, we will locate the non-commercial and commercial flocks in at least a 10-mile radius of the affected farm, so that we can begin collecting blood samples and swabs from area poultry and other fowl for laboratory testing."

The source of the virus in Hopkins County is yet unknown, but Dr. Hillman said migratory waterfowl are a natural reservoir for AI. The disease is usually transmitted from bird to bird through respiratory discharge, but AI virus also can be passed in bird manure, then mechanically transmitted to flocks on boots, shoes, clothing, equipment or tires.

"In Texas, we need to take all actions necessary to ensure that this AI outbreak is quickly stamped out—even if ours is the low-pathogenic form of the H7N3 AI virus," he said.

"Our first priority in Hopkins County was to ensure that the birds were promptly and humanely euthanized, then buried on site, to prevent the potential transmission of disease to other flocks."

"The poultry houses will be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected before new birds will be allowed on the farm," Dr. Hillman noted. "TAHC veterinarians and animal health officials are following strict biosecurity measures to prevent transporting virus off the infected farm, or to or from any premise they visit. The field staff will be wearing disposable coveralls, head coverings and gloves, and they'll disinfect their rubber boots, vehicle tires, and equipment prior to entering or leaving a premise."

Laboratory tests on samples collected from area birds will be run at the Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory in Gonzales or in College Station. Any positive test results will be confirmed at the National Veterinary Services Lab in

Ames, Iowa.

"AI has been newsworthy this year, after outbreaks of a different, more dangerous strain were detected and eventually brought under control in Asia," said Dr. Hillman. "Low-pathogenic AI strains also were detected in Pennsylvania, Delaware and New Jersey early this year. Additionally, Canadian officials are continuing efforts to eradicate an unrelated outbreak of a highly pathogenic form of the H7N3 AI virus in British Columbia."

"In February and March, we worked with the U.S. Department of Agriculture to eradicate an outbreak of the highly pathogenic H5N2 strain of AI on a farm in Gonzales County, east of San Antonio. About 6,600 birds were depopulated to stop the disease from spreading. Flocks as far as 30 miles from the affected farm were tested, but no additional infection was found," he said.

Dr. Hillman said simple biosecurity measures can be taken to help protect flocks:

1. "Keep a spare pair." Buy a pair of inexpensive rubber boots, and wear them only on your own premise, to avoid tracking in, disease.

2. "Give germs the brush off!" Use a long-handled brush to scrape off manure, mud or debris from tires, equipment or boots, then disinfect.

3. "Disinfection prevents infection!" Mix a solution of three parts bleach to two parts water, and use it liberally to clean rubber boots and equipment brought onto your farm. If visitors don't want their vehicle tires sprayed with disinfectant, ask them to park outside

your gate.

4. "Make visitors take cover." Don't be shy about asking visitors or customers to disinfect their footwear—or better yet, provide guests with disposable shoe covers, or footwear worn only on your place.

"Good biosecurity creates a barrier against disease," said Dr. Hillman. "There's no better time than right now to prevent AI from spreading to other flocks."

## Keep Budworms and Bollworms Out of Cotton

Tobacco budworm and bollworm are the two most destructive pests in cotton. You can pretty much count on them year after year, and their impact on a cotton crop can be devastating.

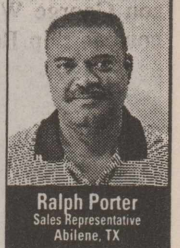
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## Money saving tips to stretch your landscaping dollars

by Brandon Anderson  
Haskell Co. Extension Agent

Many Texas home owners are unfamiliar with the art and technique of gardening, and spend needless dollars each year on landscaping. Although dollars spent on landscaping can pay big dividends, the trick is to stretch those dollars and make the most of the money invested.

Here are some money-saving dollar-stretching suggestions for you to consider:

•Purchasing the biggest trees is not always a wise investment when landscaping your home. These big trees are often set back drastically during digging and transplanting, and may take years to recover from transplanting shock. Many times, a smaller tree will re-establish itself more rapidly, producing a nicer tree in a shorter time period.

With the money you save buying smaller trees, you can get a good start on the rest of your landscape. High-quality trees are a good investment. Although there is a time and place for 'fast growers', do not overlook the dependable oak varieties, cedar elm, bald cypress and Chinese pistachio. They will last longer, and you will have fewer insect, disease and pruning headaches in the meantime.

Beware of door-to-door tree trimmers who insist that topping your tree is a good idea. Topping trees opens up large wounds, leaving them vulnerable to insects, disease, and decay.

•Select plants well adapted to your area. There are excellent choices available, including many interesting native varieties. You may not have the most unique landscape on the block, but at least it will be healthy.

•When using chemicals, read and follow label directions carefully to avoid mistakes and save money. You can ruin quality plants by spraying before reading. Using the wrong insecticide in your vegetable garden may make the harvest unsafe for the dinner table.

•Choose your fertilizer carefully. The three numbers on each bag (16-4-8, 15-0-5, for example) indicate nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium

content, respectively. To promote leaf growth on any plant, choose a fertilizer high in nitrogen. For improved flower and fruit production, select a fertilizer high in phosphorus. Potassium (potash) is seldom lacking in our clay soil, so do not pay extra to get it.

•Save money by making and using compost as a soil conditioner. Any home landscape has an out-of-the-way spot large enough to accommodate a compost pile. This not only saves money spent on peat moss, but it gives you an easy way to dispose of leaves and grass clippings.

•Beware of 'miracle' products that may or may not aid your landscape or garden. Every year, dozens of deceptive products hit the market. If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is. Read labels carefully, and use common sense with regard to unbelievable claims.

•Top-dressing your lawn with sand or soil on a regular basis is not a recommended practice. While minor low spots can be corrected this way, you can easily overdo it and smother your lawn. Using topsoil from an unknown source may also introduce undesirable plants and weeds into the landscape, creating additional work and expense to correct the problem.

•Shop and compare. While many nursery and garden supplier prices are competitive for many products, prices do vary for nursery stock and plant materials. Check several nurseries before buying, to be certain you are getting the best price for quality merchandise.



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## Eggs can last longer if stored properly

by Jane Rowan  
Haskell Co. Extension Agent

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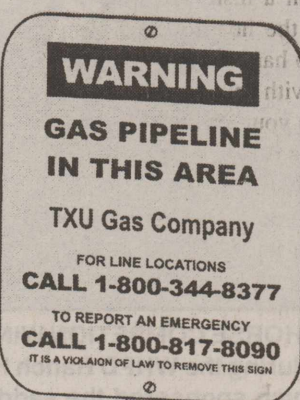
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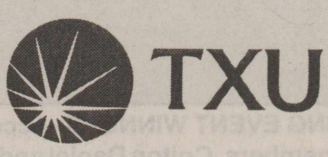
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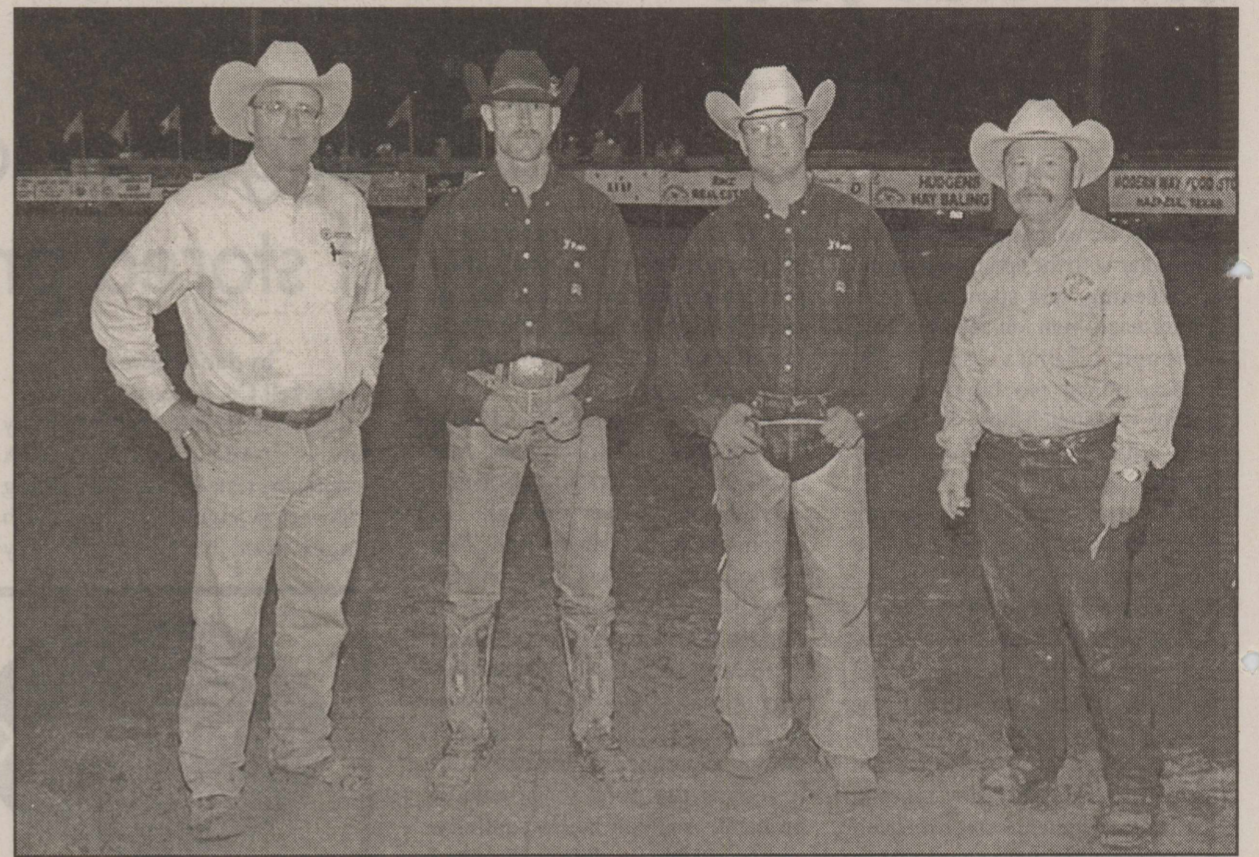
**TIED FOR SECOND PLACE**—Standing with Gerry Cates, sponsor, left, are members of the Tongue River Ranch of Dumont, who tied for second place in the WHPD Ranch Rodeo. Left to right are Stoney Jones, Monte Jones, Justin Johnson and Bubba Smith.



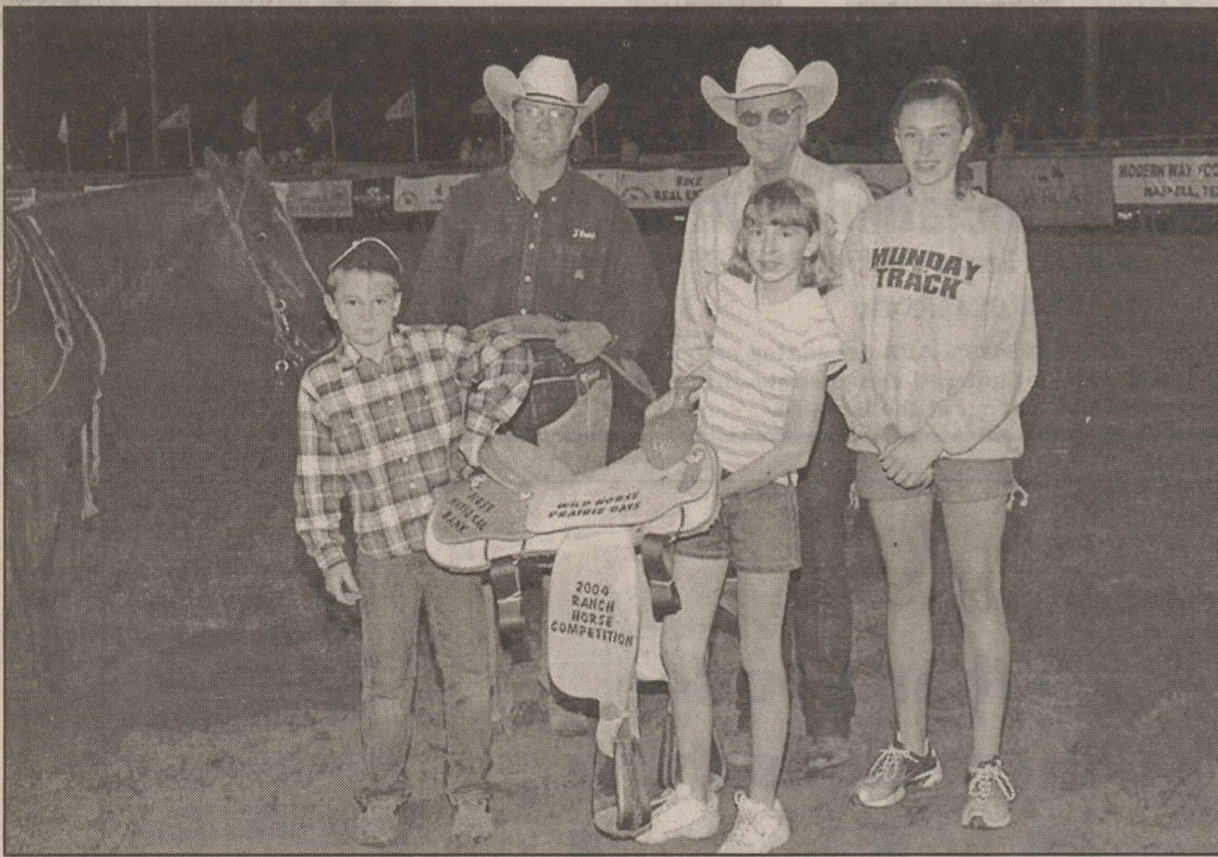
**TIED FOR SECOND PLACE**—Gerry Cates, sponsor, left, stands with Second Place Cowan/Pautsky Ranch team members, Robby Seward, Bobby Pautsky, Ho Ho Petit, holding son Cole Petit, Gary Don Overton and Dale Bullinger of Haskell.



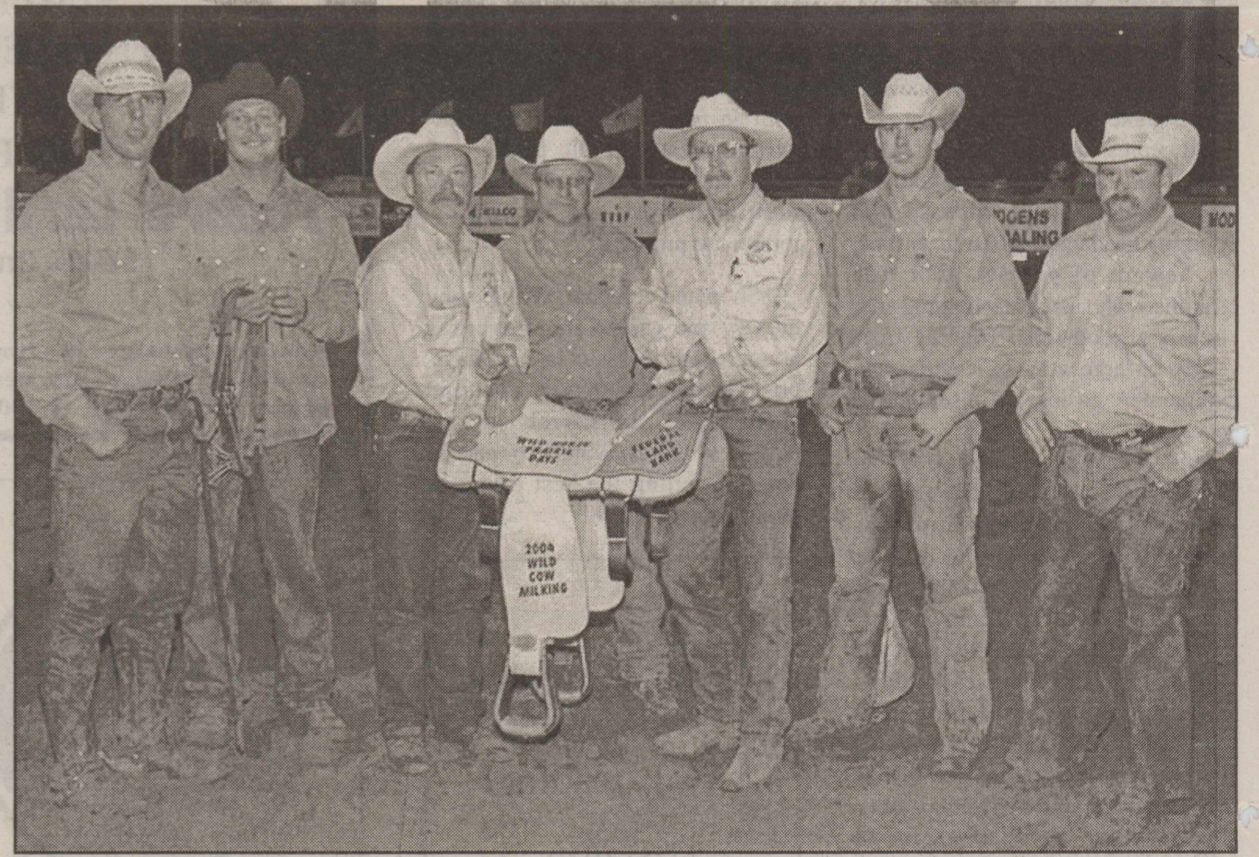
**FOURTH PLACE WINNERS**—Sponsor Gerry Cates, left, and Dale Bullinger, right, congratulate the team from the Circle Bar Ranch of Truscott for winning fourth place in the WHPD Rodeo events. Members of the team in the dark shirts are: l-r, Ricky Nolan, Colton Daniel, Randy Reed, Kyle Everson and Jerry Bob Daniel.



**FIFTH PLACE WINNERS**—Gerry Cates of Albany, left and Dale Bullinger of Haskell, right, stand with members of the Masterson Ranch team, l-r, Kenny Chambers and Mark Voss, after they won 5th place in the WHPD Rodeo.



**RANCH HORSE COMPETITION WINNER**—Mark Voss of the Masterson Ranch, back left, holds the saddle he won during the WHPD Ranch Horse event. Standing with him is Wallace Emerson of First National Bank which sponsored the saddle. Helping Voss hold the saddle are young friends, l-r, Shannon Reeves, Sarah Reeves and Amy Moore.



**WILD COW MILKING CHAMPS**—On hand for the presentation of the saddle for winners of the Wild Cow Milking event, were: l-r, Riley Carver and Tom Lyles of the Lyles Ranch of Benjamin, Dale Bullinger of Federal Land Bank, saddle sponsor, Mike Lyles, Sam Pace of Anipro Feed, saddle sponsor, and Clint Jones and Steve Elliott of the Lyles Ranch.



**SORTING EVENT WINNERS**—Accepting the saddle for winning the event, were: l-r, Circle Bar Ranch team members, Colton Daniel and Ricky Nolan, Sammy Larned of Larned Sales Center, sponsor of the saddle, Circle Bar team members, Randy Reed and Jerry Bob Daniel, Gerry Cates of Texas Range Minerals, sponsor, and Kyle Everson, Circle Bar team member.



**DOCTORING WINNERS**—Spike Box Ranch team member, Nesto Estrada, left, stands with Jerry Don Hudgens of Hudgens Hay Baling, saddle sponsor, Mike Sheedy, Gerry Cates and Jim Tackett after winning the event and trophy saddle.



# Wild Horse Prairie Days results

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Circle Bar Ranch.

The first place team won spurs from the WHPD and hats donated by Rule Co-op Gin and Elevator, Mathis and Sons Well Service, Quality Pest Control, Super Quick Convenience Stores and 5-D Custom Hats and Leather. Custom shirts will be donated by Roper for the first place

team to wear in Amarillo at the National Finals Ranch Rodeo Competition.

Winner in the Children's Ranch Rodeo Pee Wee Division (4-7) was the team from Thompson Ranch, consisting of Tyson Thompson, Taylor Thompson, Kendall Thompson and Kathryn Cude. Their

coach was Tonya Thompson.

Tied for winners of the Junior Division (8-11) were the Rattlesnake Racing Team of Casey Calhoun, Carley Calhoun, Kayla Calhoun and River McTasney, coached by Angela Markunas, and the Guitar Ranch Team of Carson Edwards, James Williams, Phillip Coleman and

Shambry Sanders, coached by Tina Lamb.

Winner of the Senior Division (12-16) was the Wild Horse Gang team of Brooke Bullinger, Gay Lynn Gary, Ryder Cude and Caulder Cude, coached by Valiene Bullinger and Nancy Cude.

The winning Children's Rodeo

teams will be eligible to participate in the National Ranch Horse Championship competition in Amarillo on Nov. 13.

The Overall Winner from among 17 entries the Barbecue Cook-off event was Dub Poyner of Fritch.

In the WHPD Parade on Friday, first place went to the Stamford Jr.

Sheriff's Posse, second place to the First Baptist Church float, "Lava Lava Island Vacation Bible School," and third place went to the Beautification Committee float, "Help Haskell Bloom." Honorable Mention was awarded to three antique cars belonging to Jerry Stocks, Dave Miller and Ken Jarred.



**RANCH SR. CUTTING EVENT WINNER**—Sam Dove of Alpine, left, accepts the Bailey Toliver Ford-Mercury trophy saddle from Dale Bullinger, during the WHPD Ranch Rodeo in Haskell.



**RANCH BRONC RIDING WINNER**—Cody Aaron of the NT Ranch of W Anson, center, holding his son Leggin, won the event and the saddle sponsored by Wes-T-Go. Presenting the saddle are, left, Sammy Larned and Pokey the Clown.



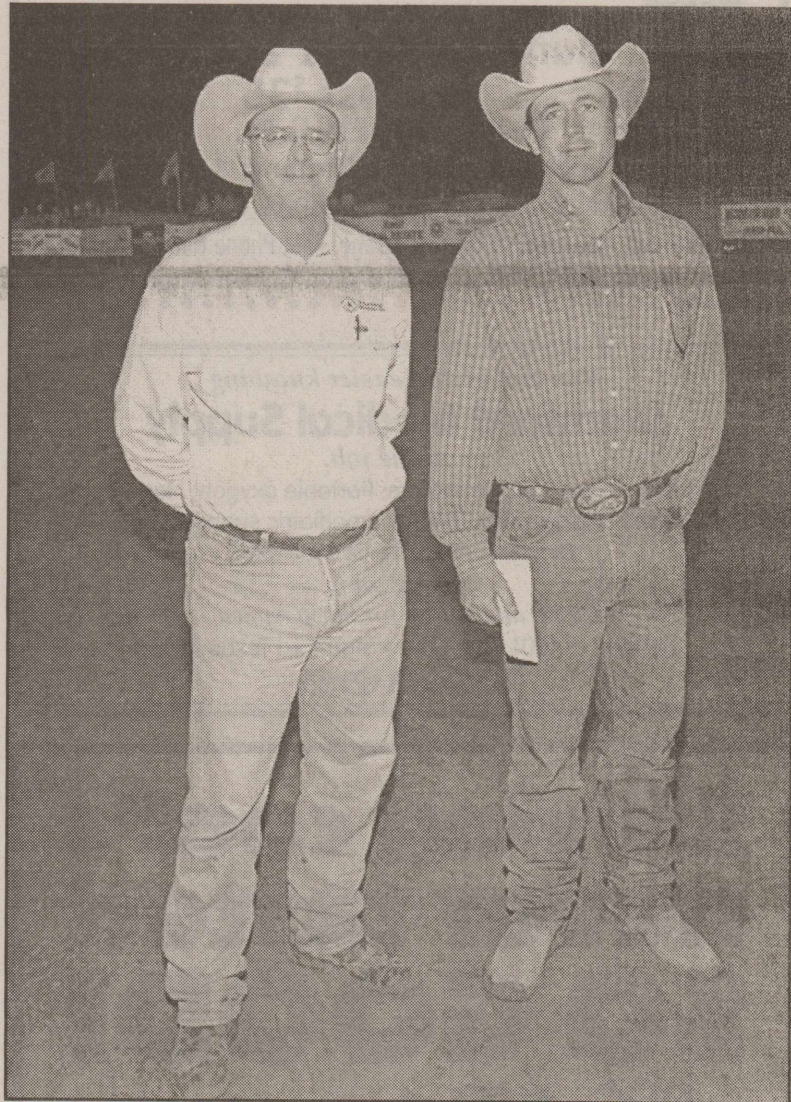
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**BBQ WINNER**—Dub Poyner of Fritch, left, holds the ribbon he won as Overall Winner of the Barbecue Cook-off during the WHPD events. With him is Rick Kennedy of Haskell.



**JR. CUTTING EVENT WINNER**—Jim Rounsaville of Megargel, left, was Champion of the Junior Ranch Cutting Event. With him is Mark Wallace with the saddle sponsored by Bailey Toliver Chevrolet-Cadillac.

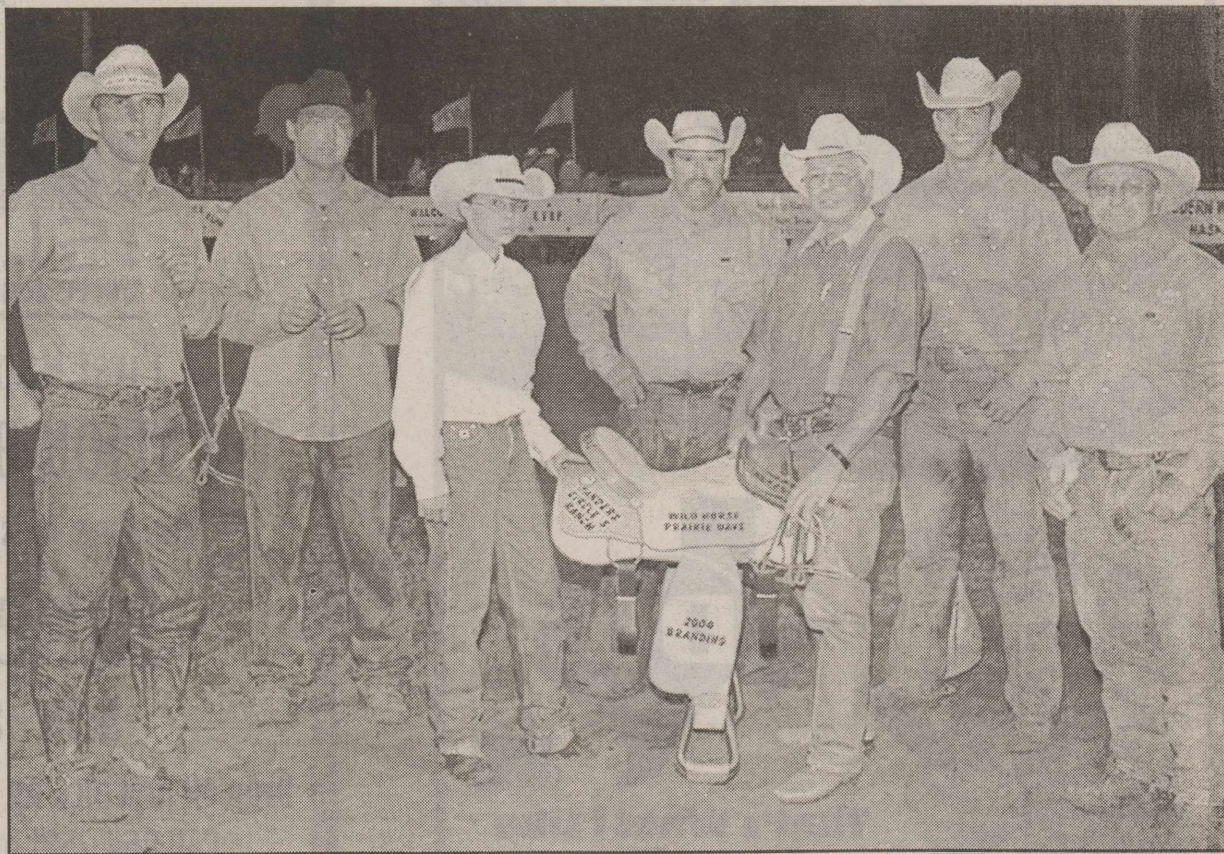


**TEAM WINNER**—Frank Wright, on the right, of the Triangle Ranch of Paducah accepts the 6th place team award. With him is Gerry Gates of Texas Range Minerals, Inc. of Albany.

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**DOUBLE MUGGING WINNERS**—Cowan/Pautsky Ranch team members stand with the saddle they won in the event. From the left, John Rike of Haskell, ranch members Ho Ho Petit, Robby Steward, Bobby Pautsky, Gary Don Overton and Mary Rike of Rike Real Estate, saddle sponsor.



**BRANDING WINNERS**—Lyles Ranch team members, l-r, Riley Carver, Tom Lyles, Steve Elliott, center, Clint Jones, second from right and Mike Lyles, accept the saddle they won, held by young Jacklyn Sanders and Jacky Sanders of Circle S Ranch, saddle sponsor.



# Everybody's Science

by Sandy Miller Hays, Agricultural Research Service

## Sharing the Great Outdoors—With Africanized Honey Bees

Now that summer is officially here, the urge to get out and soak up some of that sunshine is irresistible. But whether you're enjoying a local park or just playing in your own backyard, you're never truly alone, since all of Nature is stirring as well... which makes this a good time for an update on those Hollywood favorites, the Africanized honeybees, also known as "killer bees."

Africanized honeybees were first identified in the U.S. on Oct. 19, 1990, in the south Texas town of Hidalgo (do I hear Marty Robbins singing somewhere?). These bees are the descendants of bees brought from Africa to Brazil in the 1950s, where the idea was to breed a bee that could better tolerate South America's tropical climate. The bees escaped into the Brazilian wilds in 1957 and kept moving north until they reached the U.S.

Of course, the AHBs were just the latest in a long line of bee imports to the New World. The bees that we're more familiar with are known as European honeybees, or EHBs, because they were brought to the Americas by European colonists in the 1600s and 1700s. It's not difficult to imagine a bee escaping into the woods, and the EHBs that did get away were considered "feral." It was assumed that the AHBs that were spreading from Brazil would interbreed with those feral EHBs.

Interbreed these bees have done, but the bad news is that instead of the EHBs calming down the AHBs, the AHBs have prevailed. Gloria DeGrandi-Hoffman, an Agricultural Research Service entomologist at the agency's Carl Hayden Bee Research

Center in Tucson, Ariz., says there are a number of reasons for this.

First, AHB colonies simply have a faster growth rate, which means more swarms split off from the main colony and eventually take over the environment. Even more interesting is a peculiarity of the EHB queen bees—they tend to mate more often with AHB drones, with the result that the EHB genes start to disappear from the bee colonies. It's not a question of a special bee aftershave or anything like that; it's just that the AHBs produce more drones per colony than do the EHBs, especially when the queens are most likely to be mating.

The war of the bee queens may be one of the most interesting aspects of this saga. When an Africanized bee colony replaces its queen bee, the new queen might have had either an African father or a European father. But virgin queen bees fathered by an African drone actually emerge as much as a day earlier than European-fathered virgin bees—and the new African queen will quickly set about destroying her European rivals who are still developing. African virgin queens also are more successful fighters, which gives them an edge if they come upon any European queens. And the African swarms themselves are masters of "nest usurpation," which means that if they invade a European bee colony, they will replace the resident queen bee with their own African queen.

Where are the bees now? AHBs have been found in southern California, Arizona, New Mexico, Nevada and Texas, as well as Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Oddly, they have not moved eastward into Louisiana, although everyone expected them to do so years ago. In

fact, this seemed so strange that another ARS entomologist, Jose Villa, tried to figure out what might be stopping the spread. Villa says one factor that immediately jumped out was rainfall—to be precise, rainfall over 55 inches, distributed evenly throughout the year (as opposed to all pouring down during a "rainy season").

No one is claiming this is "the" answer to why the AHBs haven't gone everywhere they were expected, but that particular correlation matches perfectly with where the bees stopped moving eastward about 10 years ago. Of course, there are still places where the bees could go, but if the 55-inches-of-rainfall barrier holds true, this means Alabama, northern Florida, Louisiana and Mississippi might be spared the AHBs.

A few quick tips for avoiding trouble with AHBs:

- Check around the outside of your house periodically to see if bees are forming a nest near vegetation or under objects in your garden or patio, and cover any promising "nesting spots."

- Keep an eye out for bees anywhere you keep animals penned. The majority of animals that have been stung to death were in a setting where they couldn't escape.

- If you see bees coming or going from a small hole, don't go investigate—there may be a nest inside. Instead, call an experienced exterminator.

As the old desk sergeant used to say on "Hill Street Blues," "Let's be careful out there!"

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**ALOHA FROM HAWAII**—Members of the Paint Creek Class of 2004 pause for a group picture during their class trip to Honolulu, Hawaii. Hanging loose in the picture are front row, l-r: Courtney Buerger, Amy Huggins, Kasey Duniven and Bonnie Emer; back row: Jesse Medford, Jody Smith, Brian Scifres and A. J. Shaw. They enjoyed a luau, surfing, swimming, shopping, snorkeling, parachuting, parasailing and a trip to the historic Arizona Memorial in Pearl Harbor. Not pictured are class sponsors Don and Alice Ballard.

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## Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 453 head of cattle at its sale on Mon., June 7, according to Gary Tate, reporter. 43 sellers and 36 buyers were present.

Packers \$2 to \$4 higher. Feeders and stockers steady.

Cows: fat, 44-.54; cutters, .45-.55; canners, .30-.42.

Bulls: bologna, .55-.67; feeders, .84-.97; utility, .50-.64.

Steers: medium and large frame

No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.25-1.75; 300-400 lbs., 1.15-1.35; 400-500 lbs., 1.10-1.30; 500-600 lbs., .97-1.20; 600-700 lbs., .94-1.10; 700-800 lbs., .85-1.08; 800-up lbs., .80-.97.

Heifers: medium and large frame

No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.15-1.40; 300-400 lbs., 1.05-1.20; 400-500 lbs., 1.00-1.18; 500-600 lbs., .90-1.12; 600-up lbs., .78-1.05.

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## Buckle up children – every time

One of the easiest ways to protect our children is to buckle them up every time they are in the car. The most common cause of injury and death from birth to age 14 is automobile accidents.

According to statistics, four out of five child safety seats are used improperly. The safest car seat is the one that fits the child properly and is installed correctly. Here are a few general guidelines:

- Birth to 20 pounds/1 year. Use a rear-facing infant safety seat.
- 20 to 40 pounds/1 to 4 years. Use a front-facing child safety seat.
- 40 to 80 pounds/4 years of age and older. Use a belt-positioning booster child safety seat. A belt-positioning booster raises your child so that the lap and shoulder belt fit properly, while protecting the head and upper body.
- 80 pounds and over/4'9" and

taller. Use a seat belt. Both the lap and the shoulder belt should always be used.

It is always safest to have children ride in the back seat of the car. Never place a back-facing car seat in the front seat of a car that has airbags. Never have children share seat belts. When your child is old enough, make sure to discuss the dangers of riding in the back of pickup trucks.

## Ways to get acclimated to the heat

How do people who have outdoor jobs stand the heat?

If you're used to being indoors in air conditioning, you may wonder how road crews and construction workers can bear to work outdoors in hot weather. Doctors at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas say the key is acclimation.

That means they've grown accustomed to the hot weather. Dr. Gary Reed, a UT Southwestern internal medicine specialist, says the body learns to adapt to the heat. People who work in hot weather

frequently get used to it and can tolerate higher temperatures than people who stay indoors most of the time. That's also why you hear about more deaths from heat stroke when a heat wave strikes areas that aren't usually hot. If you live in an area where the temperatures gradually get warmer over time, your body learns to adjust to the heat. But if it suddenly gets much hotter than usual, the body doesn't have time to adapt.

Dr. Reed says humidity is also a factor. High humidity with heat and

little wind movement can create dangerous conditions. It's harder for the body's cooling mechanisms to work. The body cools itself by sweating and letting air evaporate the sweat, but in hot, humid, still conditions, the sweat can't evaporate.

Whether or not you're accustomed to the heat, you need to drink plenty of liquids in hot weather. Use fans to stir the air and help cool you. If you're not used to being outdoors in the heat, don't try to jump into activities requiring physical exertion.

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# 63 youngsters participate in Indian Basketball Camp

With 63 youngsters participating, the Indian Basketball Camp successfully completed its 3rd annual session last week in Haskell.

Under the direction of its co-directors, Coach Toby Villa and Coach David Middleton, the camp emphasizes basketball skills and competition. Other coaches and workers in the camp included Brittany Rutkowski, Leon Goudeau, Patti Middleton, Patrick Middleton and Mollie McKnight.

Champions and Camp Award winners announced were:

First Session: 1st Grade, Elbow Lay-up and Hot Shot champion, Dylan Hanson.

2nd Grade, Free Throw champion, Reagan Hadaway; Elbow Lay-up, Jacie Klose, Hot Shot, Celine McIlwain; Hustle award, Jacie Klose; Most Improved award, Breezy Gibbs.

3rd Grade, Free Throw, Kaley Mathis, Elbow Lay-up and Hot Shot champion, Colton English; Hustle awards, Shelton Toliver, Emmett Benton, Aaron Waggoner and Jason Raughton; Most Improved, Braeden Alves; Most Improved Elbow Lay-up, Marlee Andrada and Aaron Urich; Most Improved Hot Shot, Emily Fouts; Most Improved Ball Handler, Daniel Contreras; Indian Award, Kyle Kimbrough; Maiden Award, Baylee Rodriguez; MVP, Colton English.

In the 2nd Session: 4th Grade, Free Throw, Carson Hadaway; Elbow Lay-up, Cannon Edwards; Speed Dribble and Hot Shot champion, Isaiah Llewellyn; Hustle Awards, Ashley Adams, Cannon Edwards, Drake Everett, Morgan Frierson, Carson Hadaway, Hunter Jordan and David Newton; Most Improved, River McTasney and Tillie McGuire; Most Improved Ball Handler, Preston Morrow and Kristen Gregg; Most Improved Hot Shot, Gabriel Torres and Maegan Gonzales; Most Improved Elbow Lay-up, Caitlan Johnson; Most Improved Free Throw, Kalyn Wheatley; Ball-Handling winners, 1. Cannon Smith; 2. Carson Hadaway; 3. Madison Mayfield; Indian Award, Phillip Coleman; Maiden Award, Macy Bingham.

5th Grade, Free Throw, Koby Foster; Elbow Lay-up, Sterling Bird; Speed Dribble and Hot Shot, Koby Foster; Hustle awards, Koby Foster, Brady Leach, Laycee Tullos and Damien Winterstein. Most Improved, Jasmine Klose and Stewart Ulrich; Ball Handling winners, 1. Koby Foster, 2. Brady Leach, 3. Laycee Tullos.

6th Grade: Free Throw, Kelsie Adams; Elbow Lay-up, Bailey Fillmon; Hot Shot, Jacob Long; Speed Dribble, Bailey Fillmon; Ball Handling, 1. Bailey Fillmon; 2. Kelsie Adams; 3. Jacob Long.

7th Grade: Free Throw, Ethan Frierson; Elbow Lay-up, Speed Dribble and Hot Shot champion and Hustle Award, Austin Marshall; Most Improved, Veronica Benton; Ball Handling winners: 1. Austin Marshall; 2. Brooke Bullinger; 3. Kristina Bitner; Maiden Award, Brie Torres; MVP, Austin Marshall.

8th Grade: Free Throw, Elbow Lay-up, Speed Dribble and Hot Shot, John English; Hustle awards, Haley Chavez, Lauren Newton; Most Improved, Luke Terry; Defensive Player award, Ashton Rutkowski; Indian award, Cody Wyrick; Maiden award, Paige Adams; Ball Handling winners, 1. John English; 2. Lauren Newton; 3. Haley Chavez; MVP John English.

9th Grade: Free Throw, Sam Bitner; Elbow Lay-up, and Speed Dribble, D. J. McCulloch; Hot Shot, Weston Rutkowski; Ball Handling winners, 1. D. J. McCulloch, 2. Weston Rutkowski; 3. Sam Bitner; MVP, D. J. McCulloch.

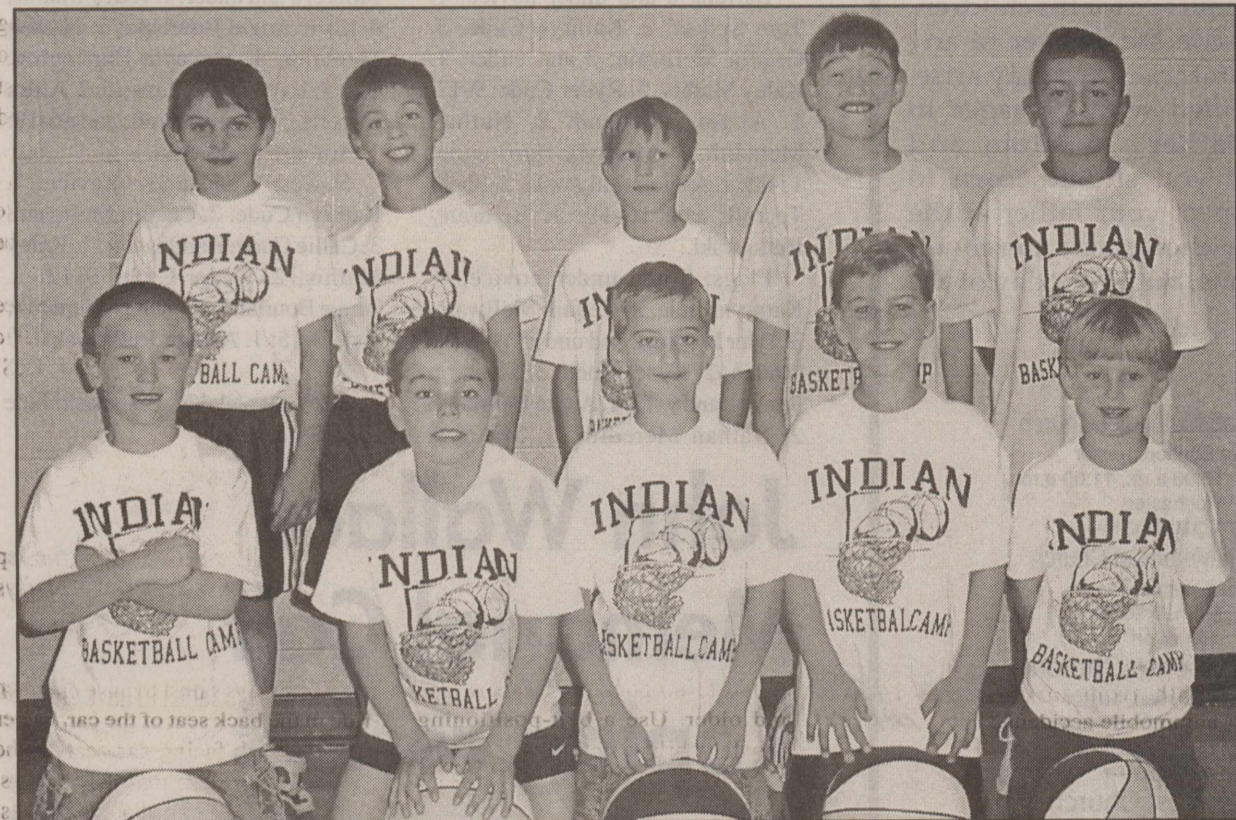
3 on 3 Champions were: 4th and 5th grades Longhorn team, Carson Hadaway, Koby Foster and David Newton; 6th and 7th grades Tar Heels team, Austin Marshall, Brie Torres and Bailey Fillmon; 8th and 9th grades Indians team, D. J. McCulloch, Luke Terry, Cody Wyrick and John English.



**BASKETBALL CAMPERS**—Attending the recent Basketball Camp in Haskell were: front, l-r, Jacie Klose, Marlee Andrada, Breezy Gibbs and Emily Fouts. Back, Reagan Hadaway, Baylee Rodriguez, Kaley Mathis.



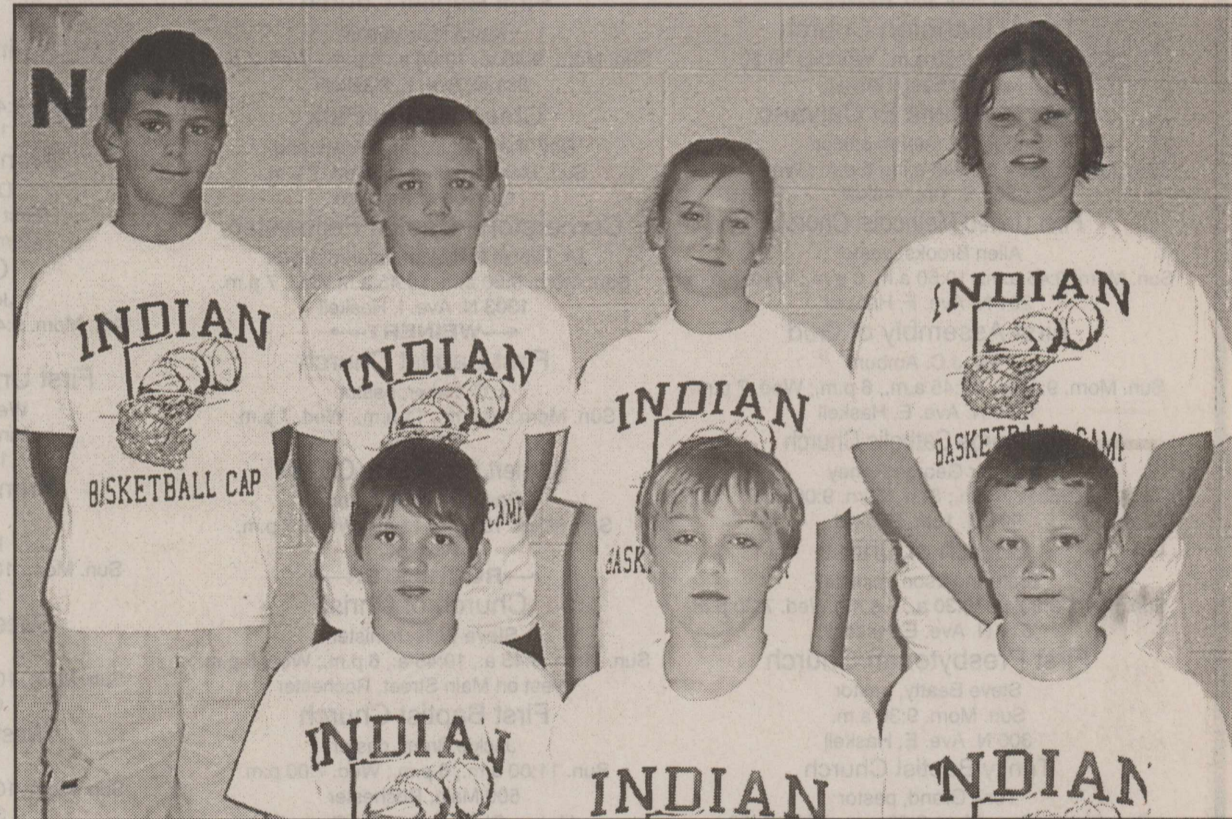
**HAPPY CAMPERS**—Girls attending the Basketball Camp held in Haskell were: l-r, front row, Macy Bingham, Morgan Frierson, Kalyn Wheatley, Ashley Adams and Madison Mayfield. Back, Tillie McGuire, Kristen Gregg, Caitlan Johnson, Carson Hadaway and Maegan Gonzales.



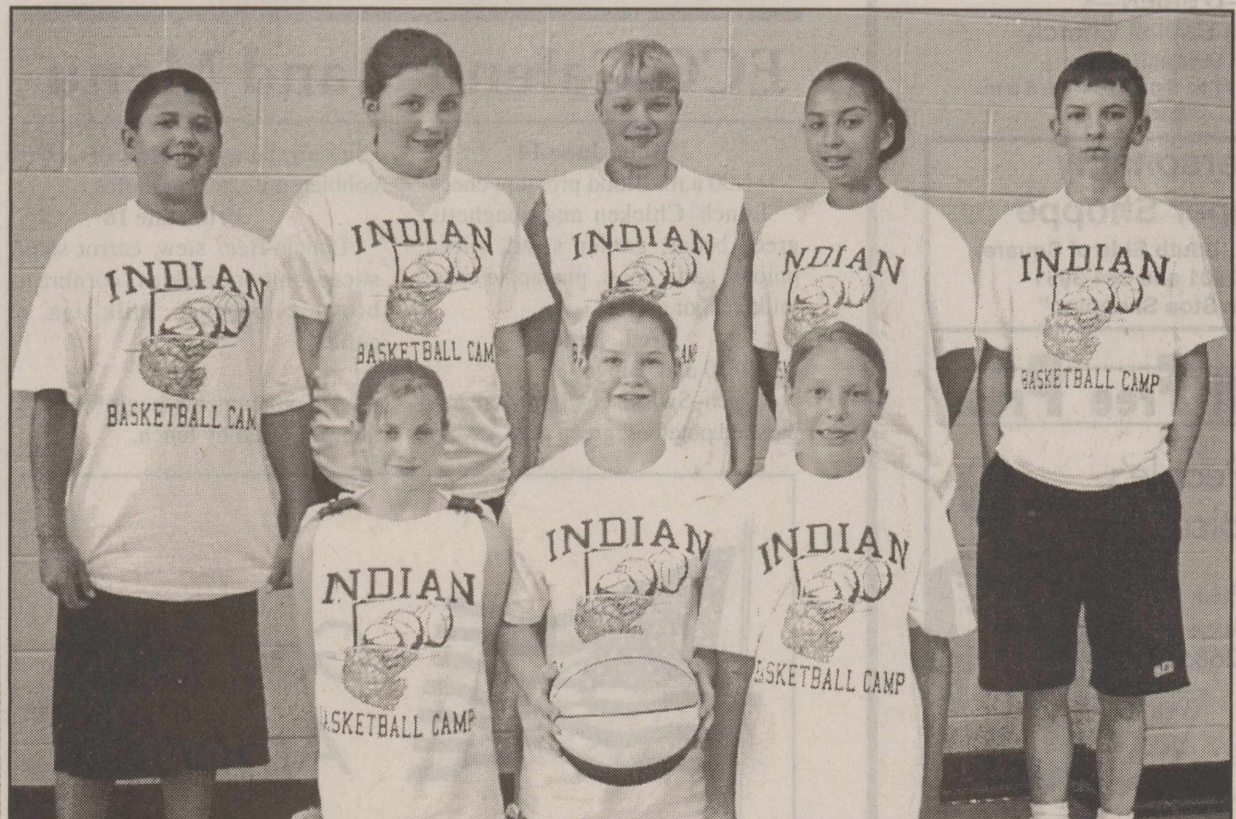
**BASKETBALL CAMPERS**—Having fun at the Indian Basketball Camp were: front row, l-r, Cedar McIlwain, Shelton Toliver, Kyle Kimbrough, Aaron Waggoner and Dylan Hanson. Back row, Aaron Urich, Colton English, Emmett Benton, Braeden Alves and Daniel Contreras.



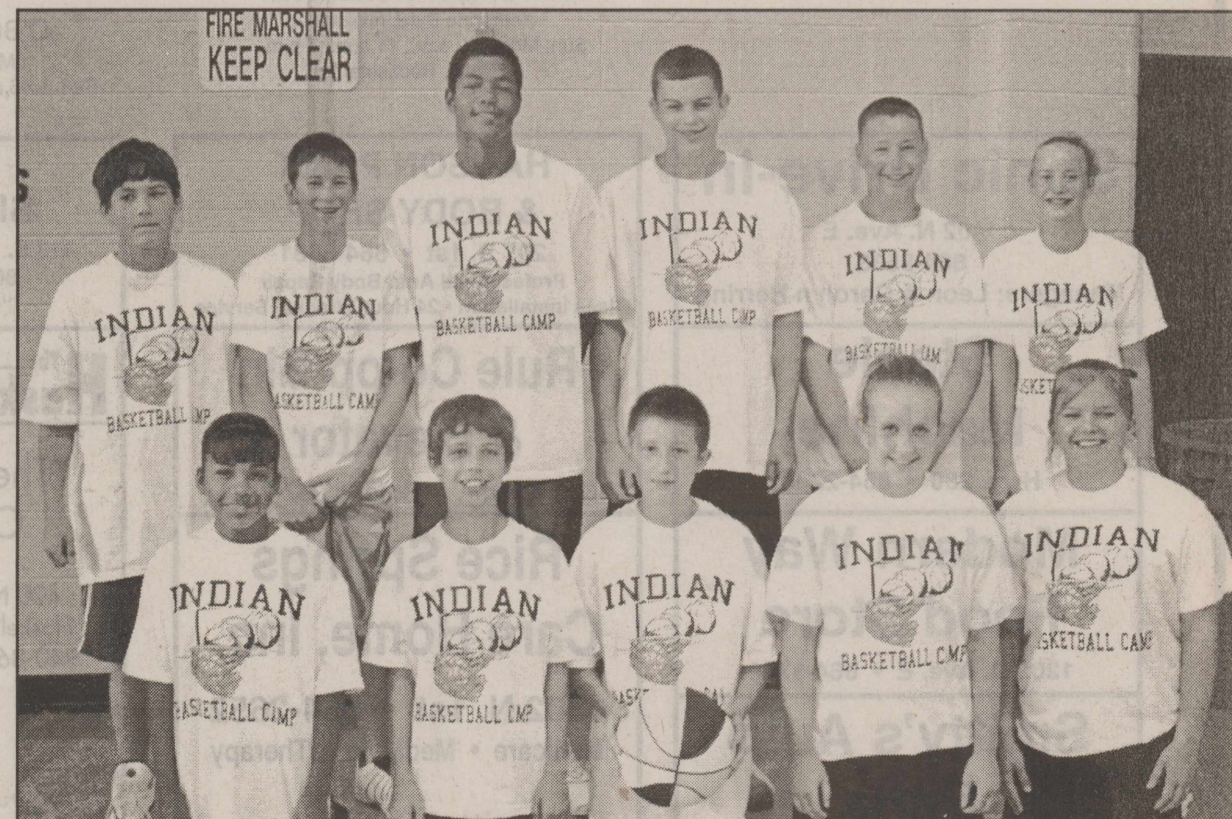
**LEARNING TO PLAY THE GAME**—Boys attending the Basketball Camp in Haskell were: l-r, front row, David Newton, Gabriel Torres, Drake Everett, Isaiah Llewellyn, River McTasney. Back row, Phillip Coleman, Hunter Jordan, Cannon Edwards and Preston Morrow.



**BASKETBALL CAMPERS**—Attending the Haskell Basketball Camp to learn skills of the game were: front row, l-r, Stewart Ulrich, Koby Foster and Damien Winterstein. Back row, Sterling Bird, Brady Leach, Laycee Tullos and Jasmine Klose.



**BASKETBALL CAMPERS**—Enjoying the training and fun at Basketball Camp in Haskell were: front row, l-r, Bailey Fillmon, Brooke Bullinger and Veronica Benton. Back row, Austin Marshall, Kelsie Adams, Kristina Bitner, Brie Torres and Ethan Frierson.



**AT INDIAN BASKETBALL CAMP**—Haskell youngsters attending the Basketball Camp were: front row, l-r, Haley Chavez, John English, Luke Terry, Paige Adams and Lauren Newton. Back row, Jacob Long, Weston Rutkowski, D.J. McCulloch, Samuel Bitner, Cody Wyrick and Ashton Rutkowski.



# Bicyclers urged to ride safely this summer

As the weather gets warmer, more cyclists will hit the road for recreation, transportation and exercise. In 2002, according to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, more than 635,000 bicycle injuries in children from 5 to 14 years old were treated in hospitals, doctor's offices, clinics, ambulatory surgery centers and emergency rooms.

"Most bicycling accidents occur

close to home, and are the result of falls," explained Stuart L. Weinstein, MD, pediatric orthopaedic surgeon and first vice president of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons.

In order to promote a safer season, orthopaedic surgeons urge cyclists to take extra caution to prevent injury. While wearing helmets remains the most proven method of reducing brain injuries in bicycle accidents,

these accidents can also result in serious musculoskeletal injuries, broken bones, sprains and strains to the rider. A number of factors contribute to bicycle accidents, which include inattention to obstacles in the bicycle path, excessive speed, maneuvering to avoid vehicles or pedestrians and not wearing the proper safety equipment.

"It is important to always wear a helmet to help prevent head injuries and to make sure every other possible precaution is taken to prevent a fall that may cause bodily injury," Dr. Weinstein added.

The American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons offers these bicycle safety tips:

- Always wear a helmet. Make sure it fits snugly and does not

obstruct your vision.

- Make certain the bicycle is the proper size for the rider.

- Make sure your bicycle is properly adjusted and well maintained. Replace broken or missing parts.

- Wear bright fluorescent colors and avoid biking at night. If you have to ride your bike at night, make sure you have a working headlight visible for 500 feet and rear reflectors.

- Stay alert and watch for obstacles in your pathway.

- Ride with traffic and be aware of traffic around you. Obey traffic laws.

- Don't ride double or attempt stunts.

- Avoid loose clothing and wear appropriate footwear.

- Dress for the weather.

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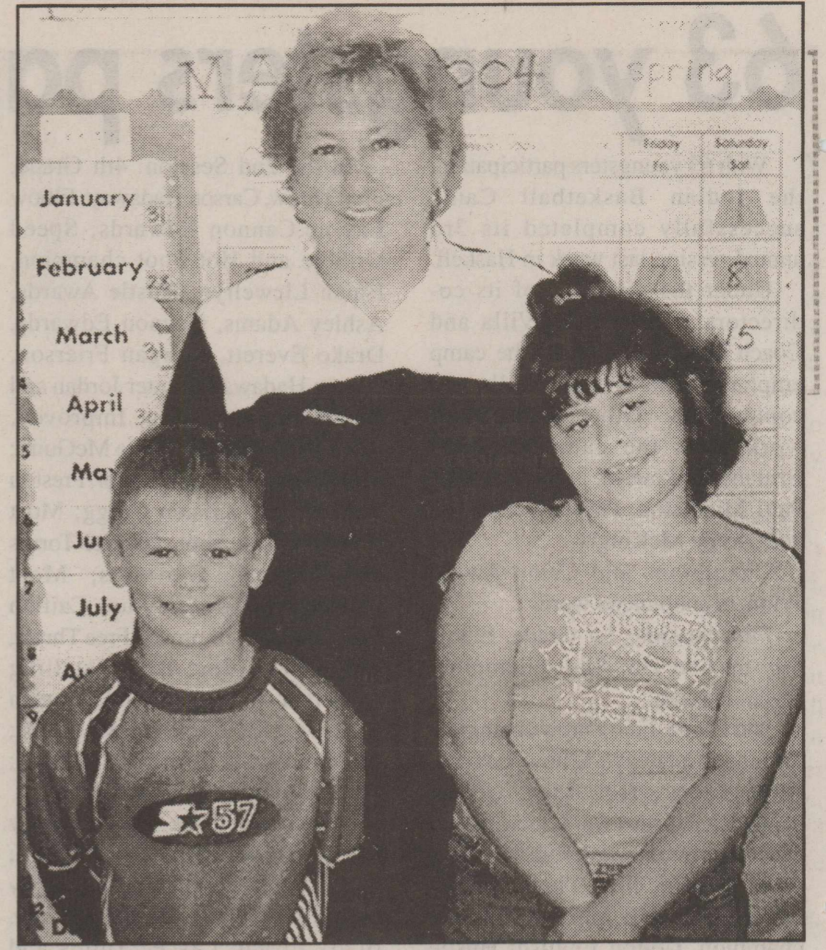
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**RIEGER READERS**—Rule Elementary students, l-r, Ryan Pace and Christina Herrera, were the first two first graders to reach 100 Accelerated Reader points. With them is teacher Ellen Rieger.

## Playday results

Results of a playday held Sat., May 22 by the Haskell Horse Club include:

**Barrels:** 8 and under novice: 1. Tom Spikes, 2. Kathryn Cude, 3. Tyler Moore; 8 and under: 1. Kaley Mathis, 2. Nathan Meredith, 3. Makayla Harrington; 9-12: 1. Angie Bourland, 2. Nathan Meredith, 3. Makayla Harrington; 13-15: 1. Ashton Rutkowski, 2. Shelli Terrell; and 16-19: 1. Brittany Rutkowski.

**Flags:** 8 and under novice: 1. Kathryn Cude, 2. Cequin McIlwain, 3. Tyler Moore; 8 and under: 1. Kaley Mathis, 2. Ryder Cude, 3. Shannon Reeves; and 9-12: 1. Angie Bourland, 2. Nathan Meredith, 3. Makayla

Harrington.

**Poles:** 8 and under novice: 1. Tom Spikes, 2. Kathryn Cude, 3. Tyler Moore; 8 and under: 1. Kaley Mathis, 9-12: 1. Angie Bourland, 2. Nathan Meredith, 3. Makayla Harrington; 13-15: 1. Ashton Rutkowski, 2. Alexa Roberts, 3. Shelli Terrell; and 16-19: 1. Brittany Rutkowski.

**Stakes:** 8 and under novice: 1. Kathryn Cude, 2. Cequin McIlwain, 3. Callie Cude; 8 and under: 1. Kaley Mathis, 2. Ryder Cude; 9-12: 1. Angie Bourland, 2. Nathan Meredith; and 13-15: 1. Ashton Rutkowski.

The next playday will be held June 26 at 7 p.m.

## This Week's Devotional Message:



### FAITH HELPS US APPRECIATE A FATHER'S WISDOM

Despite a variety of unflattering images depicting a father as either too stern or too spineless, the true picture is more likely that of a kindly, hard-working provider and protective shield for his family; the wise arbiter of right and wrong; the author of firm but loving discipline; and a tower of strength at all times. A father tries to conceal his anxieties while setting the example of

character and courage for his children, and must provide the answer to any physical or moral crisis that may arise. The Bible is filled with passages in praise of a father's wisdom and guidance, and you should learn to honor and respect your father at the church of your choice; not merely on special occasions, but every day of the year.

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600 N. 1st East, Haskell

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

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**Trinity Lutheran Church**  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship 10:30  
Hwy 380 East, Haskell

**Iglesia Bautista El Calvario**  
Art Flores, Interim pastor  
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a.m., 5 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
607 S. 7th, Haskell

**First United Methodist Church**  
Allen Brooks, 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 George Roney  
Sat. Mass 7 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**  
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
908 N. Ave. A, Haskell

**Greater Independent Baptist Church**  
Rev. Tom Collins, 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 a.m., 11 a.m., 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.  
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**  
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Sun. Morn. 10:30 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.  
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Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.  
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Jackie Brem, pastor  
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Rev. Clarence Walker  
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
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Katherine Byrd, minister  
Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m.  
Hwy 6, Rochester

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

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**Sagerton Methodist Church**  
Melissa Bemis, 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**  
Josh Stowe, pastor  
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
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Sun. Morn. Worship 10 a.m.  
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Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.  
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Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.  
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Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.  
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**O'BRIEN**

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

## John Wallace Memorial Calf Roping results

Results of the 2004 John Wallace Memorial Calf Roping, Sun., May 30 are:

**1st Round:** 1. Carter Edmondson, 9.4; 2. Brook Burnett, 9.5; 3. Timber Moore, 9.6; 4. Tommy Guy 10.0.

**2nd Round:** 1. Terry Kitchens, 9.3; 2. Carl Hopkins, 9.8; 3. Tommy Guy, 10.5; 4. Joseph Gernantz, 11.7.

**3rd Round:** 1. Billy Morrow, 8.9; 2. Dustin Bell, 9.0; 3. Zane Waldrip, 9.1; 4. Joseph Gernantz, 9.4.

**Short Go:** 1. Joseph Gernantz, 8.4; 2. Guy Miller, 9.9; 3. Cliff

Kirkpatrick, 10.0; 4. Jim Locke, 10.4.

The winner of the roping and trophy saddle was Joseph Gernantz of Lubbock, with a total time of 41.5 on four head of cattle. Others placing were: 2. Tommy Guy, 42.4; 3. Cliff Kirkpatrick, 45.8; 4. Jim Locke, 48.0; 5. Terry Kitchens, 49.0; 6. Raymond Hollabaugh, 49.1.

In the six-head match roping, Guy Miller of Gail defeated Hegan Lamb of Haskell and won the \$500.00.

The event was sponsored by Walco-Animal Health Products.

## Haskell Summer Lunch Menu

**June 14-18**  
Milk is served daily.  
**Monday:** Country fried steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, English peas, hot rolls, sunshine bar  
**Tuesday:** Baked potatoes with cheese, garden salad, butter and sour cream, fried okra, watermelon  
**Wednesday:** Popcorn shrimp with

cocktail sauce, coleslaw, hushpuppies, French fries, strawberries  
**Thursday:** Chicken spaghetti, green beans, salad, breadsticks, chocolate pudding  
**Friday:** Cheeseburgers, lettuce/tomatoes/pickles, French fries, ice cream with toppings

## ECC Calendar and Menu

**Mon., June 14**  
11:00 a.m. Blood pressure check  
Lunch—Chicken and spaghetti, green beans, garden salad, sliced onions, garlic toast, pineapple cake, milk, tea, or coffee  
**Wed., June 16**  
10:30 a.m. Bingo  
Lunch—Swiss steak/gravy, creamy parslid potatoes, green peas, savory

coleslaw, buttermilk biscuits, peach cobbler, milk, tea, or coffee  
**Fri., June 18**  
Lunch—Beef stew, carrot salad, sliced onions, pickles, cornbread, brownies/peaches, milk, tea, or coffee  
Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.

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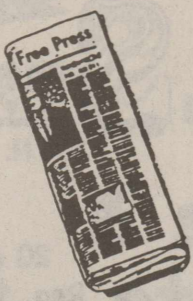
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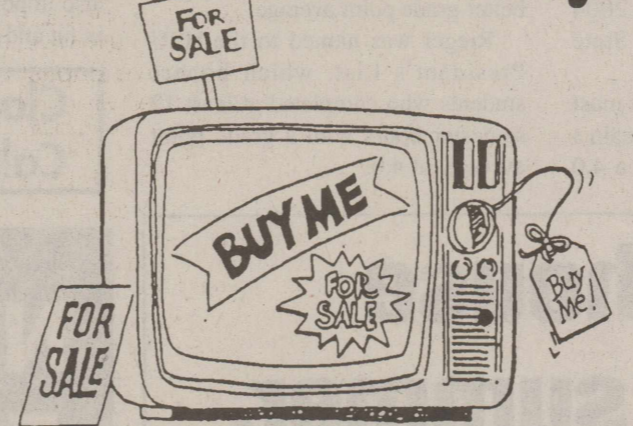
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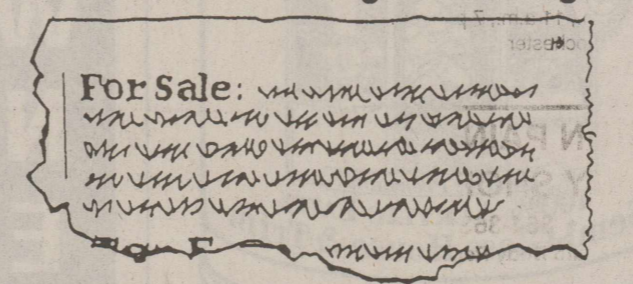
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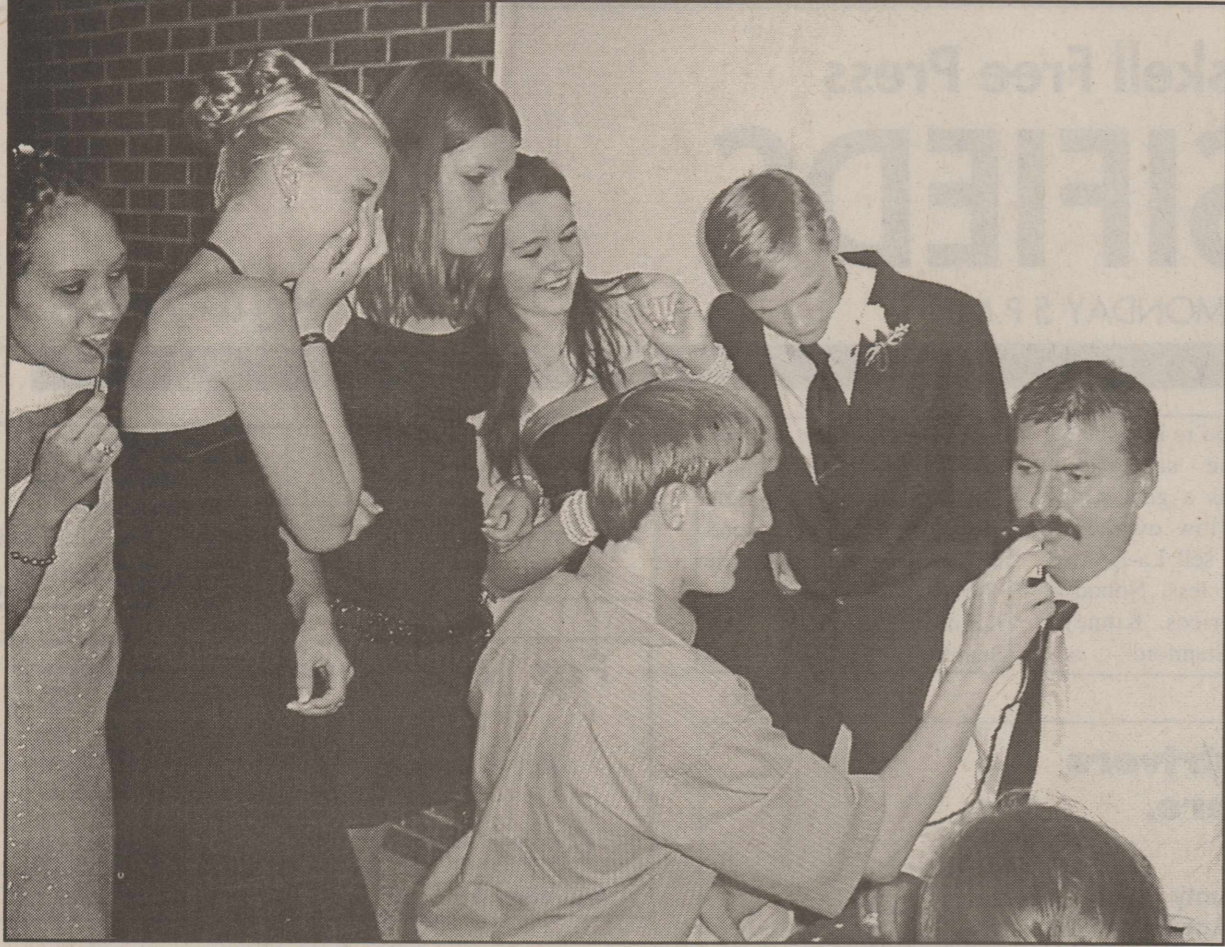
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**TAKING IT OFF FOR TAKS**—Paint Creek teacher and coach, Keith Medford, waits patiently as one of his eighth grade Social Studies students shaves off his mustache. Medford had promised his students they could shave his mustache if 90 percent of the class passed the social studies TAKS test. Out of the three classes he teaches, 25 out of 26 passed this portion of the test. Students from left to right are: Annissa Luna, LaShell Walker, Tara Meyers, Kailey McCord, Charlie Myers and Rusty Rogers (shaving.)

## Local 4-H'ers to compete at horse show

by **Brandon Anderson**  
Haskell Co. Extension Agent  
Top young riders throughout the Rolling Plains District will match their skills June 17-19 in the annual Rolling Plains District 4-H Horse Show in Vernon.

More than 200 4-H'ers will compete in Showmanship, Roping, Reining, Western Pleasure, Western Riding, Western Horsemanship, Pole Bending, Barrel Racing, Stake Race, and Futurity Classes. In addition to prizes and ribbons, 4-H'ers from the Rolling Plains will represent the District in the state 4-H Horse show later this summer, said Brandon Anderson, Haskell County Extension Agent-Ag.

Representing Haskell County will be:  
•Gay Lynn Gary of Sagerton: Showmanship, Registered Mare 5 and Over, Western Horsemanship and Western Riding  
•Miranda Johnson of Weinert: Showmanship and Registered Mare 4 and Under  
•Kiel Rowan of O'Brien: Calf Roping and Breakaway Roping  
•Ashton Ruthowski of Haskell: Pole Bending, Barrel Racing and Stakes Race

Competition will be held at the Finley Bradley 4-H Arena in Vernon. Registration will begin at 11 a.m., June 17. Reining will begin at 1:00 p.m. and Working Cow Horse Competition will begin at 3:30 p.m. Roping Preliminaries and Finals begin at 6 p.m. Team Penning begins at 9 a.m. Friday, June 18. Yearling Futurity Halter competition begins at

2 p.m. English Events are scheduled to start at 2:30 p.m. Two-Year Old Western Pleasure Futurity and Three-Year Old Stock-Horse Futurity competitions begins at 4 p.m. Timed event preliminaries will follow an awards ceremony which is scheduled for 5 p.m.  
Saturday's events begin at 8 a.m. with Showmanship followed by

## Texas Chiefs host Open House and Fly-In

At the Haskell Texas Chiefs Model Airplane Club annual Open House Fly-in, Sat., June 5, at the airfield, three miles east of Haskell, a Piper Club model flown by Charlie Young of Archer City won the Best Civilian Award.

Second place was taken by Zack Burkett of Graham with a model of a P-47 Thunderbolt featuring retractable landing gear.

A demonstration of several electric powered radio controlled models was given by Joe Gross of Altus, Oklahoma.

Although morning storms delayed the opening, a lot of flying was done. The noon meal was served at the field.

The club is planning a Sailplane Contest in August.

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## Students in the News

Gloria Aguinaga, an interdisciplinary child development and learning student; Jacklyn Escobedo, an undeclared major student; Katy McDaniel, a journalist and English student; and Jillian Thomas a mathematics/secondary certification student, all of Haskell; and Chris Hobbs, a chemistry student of Paint Creek were named to the Dean's List for the 2004 Spring semester at Angelo State University in San Angelo.

Students on the Dean's List must be enrolled full-time and maintain a 3.25 grade point average on a 4.0

scale. \*\*\*  
Haskell residents Katie Wooten Cruz and Jessica Rieger have been named to the Hardin-Simmons University spring 2004 honor lists.  
Cruz was named to the HSU Honorable Mention Roll, which honors students who completed from 6 to 11 semester hours with a 3.6 or better grade point average.  
Rieger was named to the HSU President's List, which honors students who completed at least 12 semester hours with a grade point average of 4.0.

Halter Classes, Western Pleasure and Finals, Western Horsemanship and Finals. Timed event finals begin at 2 p.m. followed by an awards program.

## Eat oats to lower cholesterol

by **Jane Rowan**  
Haskell Co. Extension Agent  
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