

Baseball games

V Indians vs Paducah Thurs., March 24, 4 p.m. at Paducah V Indians vs Knox City Mon., March 28, 4 p.m. at Haskell

Softball games

V Maidens vs Asperment Mon., March 28, 4:30 p.m. at Haskell

Golf

Indians and Maidens at Haskell Invitational, Haskell Country Club Wed., March 30, 9 a.m.

Calendar

Hee-Haw

The annual Sagerton Community Hee-Haw is set for March 31, April 1 and 2 beginning at 8 p.m. nightly. Music and singing will begin at approximately 7 p.m. The Thursday night performance is for groups only. Tickets for the April 1 and 2 performances are available by calling 940-997-2688 for tickets. Tickets are \$5 each and are limited to 10 tickets per person. Plate lunches, sandwiches and pies will be available in the cafeteria nightly from 5:30 until 7 p.m.

Noah Project

The Noah Project-North Advisory Committee will host 'Spring Fling' Sat., April 9 at the Civic Center. Entertainment will be the 'Imitation Stats.' A brisket dinner and trimmings will be served along with homemade desserts. The silent auction will begin when the doors open and continue until the program ends. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. Tickets are available from any Advisory Committee member, from the Noah Project office or at the door. Call 864-2551 for more information.

Parenting session

Brenda Bird, an entertaining parenting specialist, will present a free one-hour session "Creative Consequences that Change Behavior" Thurs., March 31 from noon to 1 p.m. at the Haskell High School Auditorium. Lunch will be served. R.S.V.P. to Kathy Garison at 864-2654 ext. 344.

Sunrise service

An Easter sunrise service will be held Sun., March 27 at 7 a.m. at the Weinert Cemetery in Weinert. Folding chairs will be provided and everyone is invited. For more information, call Bro. J.C. Baker at 940-673-8310.

Baseball tryouts

Haskell baseball tryouts will be held Sat., April 2 beginning at 10 a.m. for ages 7 through 12. Registration forms can be picked up at Toliver Chevrolet.

Taylor's Team

Jump for Taylor's Team will be held Fri., March 25 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 1307 N. Ave. F in Haskell. Proceeds from the air castle will benefit the National Alliance for Autism Research.

Queen's contest

The Wild Horse Prairie Days Little Miss, Junior Miss and Queen Pageant will be held May 21. Entry deadline is April 15. Entry forms are available at county schools, The Personality-Slipper Shoppe and Dulaney Abstract. Watch next week's paper for more details.

Benefit walk

A walk for Autism research will be held in Abilene Sat., April 2 beginning at 9 a.m. at the ACU track. Those make donations to 'Taylor's Team' should contact Melissa Burson. Proceeds benefit the National Alliance for Autism Research.

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Happy Easter

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"The People's Choice"

8 PAGES-ONE SECTION-50 CENTS

1955 Chevrolet judged 'Best' in car show

Seventy-three entries were displayed around the Haskell downtown area during the Haskell Volunteer Fire Department's 9th annual Classic Car Show held last

Cars were judged based on their overall display, cleanliness, quality of paint and interior.

Best of show was won by a 1955 Chevrolet 2 door sedan entered by Obie Coker of Merkel.

Tom Wright of Boerne won both the People's Choice Award and the trophy for the farthest distance traveled with his entry of a 1970 Plymouth GTX.

Winners in the nine categories

Cars Pre-'64: 1. John Bethel of Abilene, 1956 Ford Victory; 2. Sharron Rener of Abilene, 1966 Mustang; 3. Mike Owens of Abilene, 1957 Chevrolet Belair.

Cars '65 and up: 1. Gary McLendon of Wichita Falls, 2001 Corvette; 2. Annette Hopper of Sweetwater, 1970 VW Sedan; 3. Sammy Nason of Electra, 1968 Oldsmobile 442.

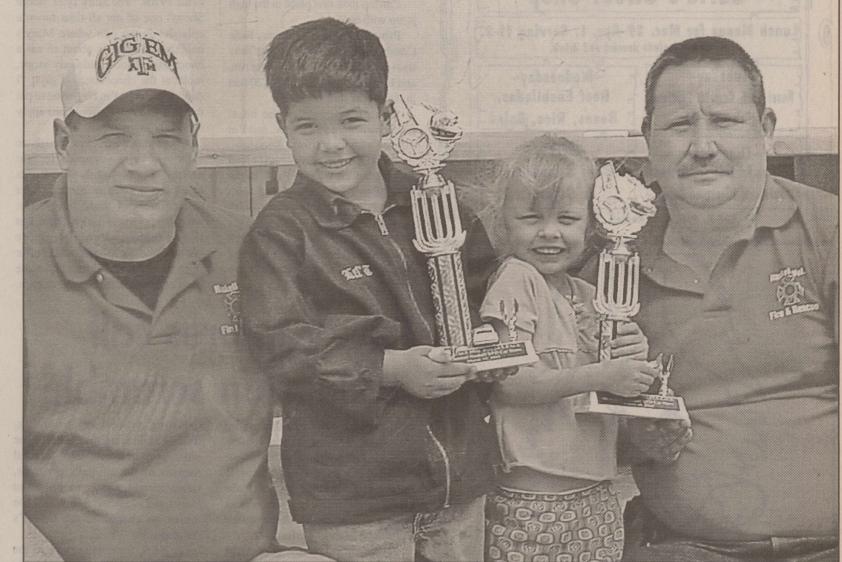
Antique Cars, Truck thru '50: 1. Gladys Patterson of Breckenridge, 1926 Chevrolet Coupe; 2. Obie Coker of Merkel, 1955 Chevrolet 2 door sedan; 3. Gary Pascitall of Wichita Falls, 1946 Ford pickup.

Street Rods Pre-'49: 1. Mike Lockett of Decatur, 1930 Ford Model A 2 door 5 window coupe; 2. Earl Melton of Lubbock, 1933 Plymouth sedan; 3. Gary Bigley of Manor, 1939 Chevrolet coupe.

Race Cars: 1. Lois Wegener of Abilene, 1972 Corvette LT-1; 2. Richard Denton of Sweetwater, 1923 Ford truck, T-Bucket; 3. Coby Wright of Abilene, 1978 Chevrolet Camaro.

Older Pickups Pre-'84: 1. Glen Large of Knox City, 1957 Ford Ranchero; 2. Bailey Toliver, 1971 Chevrolet Blazer; 3. Eddie Bland of Haskell, 1972 Chevrolet Cheyenne

Pickups '85 and up: 1. Bailey Toliver of Haskell, 2005 Chevrolet pickup; 2. Bailey Toliver of Haskell, 2005 King Ranch Ford; Walter Bolin of Stamford, 1987 GMC Sierra



PROUD AND HAPPY HOT WHEELS WINNERS-Firemen Jeff Caparoon, left, and Tim Wilson, right, present trophies to smiling winners, Tyreese Thomas of Fort Worth, first place winner, and

Classis 4x4 'Jimmy.

Motorcycles: 1. Kirby Krupa of Abilene, 2000 Harley Davidson Tour Bike; 2. Johnny Stowe of Abilene, 2000 Harley Davidson Fat Boy; 3. Vernon Session of Haskell, 2002 Harley Davidson Touring Bike.

Restoration in Progress: 1. Darrell Riding of Burleson, 1948 Chevrolet Fleetmaster; 2. Lonnie Rolls of Rule, 1965 Ford Mustang; 3. Dave Miller of Haskell, shown by Guy Hudson, 1967 Mercury Cougar.

Hot Wheels Results

Winners of the Hot Wheels races for kids were Tyresse Thomas of Fort Worth, first place and Lauryn Crane

of Haskell, second place. **Pedal Pull Results**

Forty-four boys and girls

competed in the Texas Pedal Pullers contest held Saturday during the Haskell Volunteer Fire Dept. Car Show. Sponsors for the pull were Elmer Adams Harvesting and Quality Implement. These sponsors covered all the expenses, allowing all the kids to compete for free.

Pedal Pull results are as follows. Names with an asterisk(*) indicate

4-year-old: 1. John Anderson*, 2. Crow Parham*, 3. Garrett Arendall, 4. Whitney, 5. Kourtney Gibson*, 6.

Lauryn Crane of Haskell, second place winner, in the Hot Wheels races for kids held during the 9th Annual Volunteer Fire Department Classic Car Show last Saturday in downtown Haskell.

5-year-old: 1. Frankie Masias*, 2. Cequin McIlwain*, 3. Tyresse Thomas*, 4. Sarah Williams*.

6-year-old: 1. Chase Gibson*, 2. Hayden Leach*, 3. Hoseu Gonzales, 4. Alec Roewe, 5. Macy Goodenough*, 6. Angelica Green*. 7-year-old: 1. Blake Elieff*.

8-year-old: 1. Cedar McIlwain*, 2. Brad Winterstein*, 3. Shawn Myers, 4. Crissy Bassett*.

9-year-old: 1. Zachary Wright*, 2. Sydney Franklin*, 3. Stormy Darnell*, 4. Destiny Billington, 5. Rebecca Foreman, 6. Alexia Melton, 7. Rikki Blue.

10-year-old: 1. Levi Grand*, 2. Cole Hutchinson*, 3. Ashley Williams*, 4. Jamie Flye*, 5. Carlos Gonzales, 6. Rodney Foreman, 7. Caitlain Johnson, 8. Lynna Billington.

11-year-old: 1. Brady Leach*, 2. Haley Myers*, 3. Sidney Cassiday*, 4. Charity Winterstein, 5. Katie

12-year-old: 1. Mario Gonzales*, 2. Ricky Barrett*, 3. Cody Boatmun.

State Pedal Pull notices will be mailed in July. Please contact Sheila Tucker at 940-723-7737 for any questions or for address changes.

Stamford

It's not just another tall fish tale; this big one did not get away! It's true, and it's on record.

Early Tuesday morning, Mar. 15, Venus Holmes of Littlefield, who has a place at Lake Shore Sites at Lake Stamford, caught a record-breaking 8.5 pound big-mouth bass using only a little piece of bologna for bait.

While in Haskell early Tuesday afternoon with J. D. and Joyce Harrell, her neighbors from the lake,

she came by the Free Press office with the big bass that broke her fishing rod as she brought it in after it took the bologna bait.

While they were here visiting, Joyce Qualls from Lake Stamford called our office to report that the bass Holmes caught was indeed the largest big-mouth bass ever caught at Lake Stamford. According to the game warden, the previous bigmouth bass caught there weighed 6.3

Qualls reported that Holmes also caught an extra large catfish last fall using bologna as bait. Both of the big catches were taken from one of the canals at the lake.

Aside from all of the expert fishing advice given by professional anglers, it seems that Venus Holmes' philosophy and winning method of bringing in the big ones may well be, "Hey, whatever works."

Commerce 2005 Annual Awards

The Haskell Chamber of Banquet will be held Thurs., Mar 31 at the Haskell Memorial Civic

Athletes to raise money in benefit game March 26

Sponsored by the Haskell Education Foundation, Haskell's own version of March Madness will take place Sat., Mar. 26 at Indian Gym, when ex-Haskell basketball players compete in the Third Exes Basketball

The girls' game will begin at 6:00 p.m., with the boys' game following. Graduates from even numbered years will play graduates from odd numbered years.

An entry fee of \$15.00 will be paid

by each participating player. All proceeds will go to the Haskell Educational Foundation, which awards mini-grants to local teachers each year to enhance learning opportunities for their students, beyond the scope of the regular school budget.

The community is urged to attend the event during the Easter weekend and enjoy the fun of seeing exes of all ages participate together in the Center, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Special guests for the evening will be the Honorable Charles Stenholm and wife, Cindy, who will be honored in appreciation of his many years of service and benefits on Haskell's behalf during his years as United States Representative.

Introducing Stenholm will be Congressman Mac Thornberry of Amarillo, who represents Haskell in the 13th District.

During the evening, new chamber officers and directors will be installed.

Also at the banquet, the Chamber's 2004 Citizen of the Year Award will be presented.

Tickets for the catered dinner are \$10.00 each, and may be purchased from any Chamber of Commerce member or at the chamber office.



RECORD CATCH-Venus Holmes of Littlefield holds an 8.5 pound big-mouth bass she brought in at Lake Stamford early Tues., Mar. 15, using only a piece of bologna for bait.

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Bobcats place at PK Relays

Rule High School boys track team won third place in the 1600-meter relay at the Possum Kingdom Relays with a time of 3:32.63, and second place in the 800-meter relay with the time of 1:33.30. Those on the Rule team were Kade Kittley, C. J. Saucedo, Aquirus Carrion and Kolt

Placing second in the 800-meter run was Kolt Kittley of Rule in the time of 2:00.46

Stephen Pace of Rule placed 5th in 100-meter high hurdles in the time of 16.30.

Carrion took first place in the high jump with 6-4.

Proud of all his athletes, Rule Coach Mike Reed reported that Tony Brown ran 2:12 in the 800-meter run, and Emery Dudensing threw 120 feet in the discus throw.

"I am very proud of the boys. Each one bettered their time, and I'm pleased with their effort," Reed said.

"Our team came in second behind 3A Hershey of Wichita Falls, in the 1600-meter. We competed with Wichita Falls and Seymour, with expectations of using the bigger schools to bring out our best and better ourselves. We far exceeded these expectations," the Rule coach said of his boys.

Competing with 27 other young

men and women at the Rodeo

Houston calf scramble at the Reliant

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Obituaries Vashti Marr Benton

Funeral services for Vashti Marr Benton, 102, of Sagerton were held Sat., March 12 at First Methodist Church in Sagerton with Philip Houston officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery in Haskell under the direction of McCauley-Robison Funeral Home of Rule.

Mrs. Benton died Wed., March 9 at Rice Springs Care

Born Aug. 4, 1902 in Haskell County, she was the daughter of Louis and Mattie Marr. She married Marvin Yater Benton May 14, 1921 in Haskell. He preceded her in death in 1976. She cooked in the lunchroom at both

Sagerton and Rule Schools. She always enjoyed making things and enjoyed being with her family. After blowing out all the candles on her birthday cake on her 101st birthday, she proudly announced that she was 101.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; and one grandson, Robbie LaPorte.

Survivors include one daughter, Dorothy Clark of Sagerton; one son, Yater Benton Jr. of Weatherford; one brother, Louis Eugene Marr Jr. of Weatherford; seven grandchildren; seven great grandchildren; and three great great grandchildren.

Everybody's Science

by Sandy Miller Hays, Agricultural Research Service

Arthritis, Calories and Exercise: Finding the Right Balance

In that great old television series of the 1970s, "The Mary Tyler Moore Show," one of my all-time favorite episodes is the one where Mary's neighbor, Rhoda, is about to eat a chocolate. Rhoda suddenly stops, looks at the chocolate and says, "I don't know why I'm bothering to put this in my mouth-I should just apply it directly to my hips!"

Chocolates aside, even though we all know we're supposed to "eat healthy," for most of us the benefits of eating a healthy diet are less immediate and more long-term; what's important is the long haul. But the situation can be more complicated for people who suffer from rheumatoid arthritis (RA), the most common autoimmune disease.

yearlong project of grooming,

feeding and caring for the heifer, he

must keep accurate and detailed

records of the animal's progress,

submitting records to both the

Houston Livestock Show and the

donor, to chronicle the heifer's

Houston Livestock Show with his

animal for a special competition and

a \$250 bonus from his donor.

In 2006, Pace will return to the

development.

RA affects about 1 percent of the U.S. population, and as much as 5 percent of people over age 60.

You may not think there's much of a connection between rheumatoid arthritis and diet-but you'd be wrong. In fact, there are three important dietassociated aspects to RA. First, those who suffer from RA actually have a higher "resting energy expenditure." That means that their bodies burn up more energy even when they're not being physically active. Second, they have what's called "elevated wholebody protein catabolism," which is a destructive form of muscle metabolism that leads to wasting of the muscles. Finally, they have low body cell mass, which translates to increased fat mass.

One question that's interested researchers at the Jean Mayer USDA Human Nutrition Research Center on Aging, operated by the Agricultural Research Service in Boston, is whether people who have rheumatoid arthritis should actually increase the number of calories they consume, to make up for that elevated "resting energy expenditure."

If you have arthritis-and I do-you know that sometimes it just plain hurts to move, so people who have RA tend to be a little less active. This sets up a vicious cycle: The arthritis discourages them from exercising, and that less physical, more sedentary lifestyle can lead to overall gains in fat mass. When you combine the higher fat mass with a lower muscle mass, the end result can be an increased risk of disability.

Getting back to the original question-does the higher "resting energy expenditure" caused by rheumatoid arthritis mean those folks should consume more calories?-the researchers in Boston wanted to find out what impact that higher resting rate might have on people's daily total energy expenditure and, by extension, what their daily energy requirements really are.

The researchers studied 20 healthy

women plus 20 women who had RA. All of the women had a similar weight and size. The researchers measured or estimated the women's total energy expenditure as well as their energy expenditure during rest and during exercise.

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The findings: Even though the women with rheumatoid arthritis did have a higher "resting energy expenditure," overall their low energy expenditure from lack of physical activity was directly linked to a lower total energy expenditure. Being less active meant they needed fewer calories-period.

But is exercise really worth the struggle for people with RA? Based on the results of another study done several years ago at the Boston center, the answer appears to be "Absolutely!" In that study, middleaged volunteers with RA actually improved the strength of their major muscle groups by an average of 57 percent after three months of resistance training. They walked faster, had better balance and reported feeling less pain and fatigue.

The volunteers in that study did twice-a-week workouts on chest press, leg press, leg extension, back extension and abdominal curl machines set at 80 percent of the maximum weight each volunteer could handle. They worked out with a group of healthy people in their 20s, and another group in their 70s. Overall, the RA patients had a larger gain in strength than the healthy individuals, even though they started the study significantly weaker.

As always, if you're thinking of starting an exercise regimen, you should first check with your doctor to make sure the type of exercise you're considering is right for you. But these studies certainly give you something to think about!

The Agricultural Research Service is the chief in-house scientific research agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Mission Possible Group to be in Rochester April 16

The Mission Possible group of First Baptist Church in Wichita Falls will be in Rochester Sat., April 16 for a very special day of spiritual outreach, praise and worship. Ranging in age from teenagers to

senior citizens, this group of about eighty members looks forward to joining our community in a day of fellowship and celebration.

Activities will start about 10 a.m. with coffee get togethers in homes and at the Literary Club Building. Members from the Mission Possible group will join those at each location meeting for coffee.

Pre-teens, teenagers and college age youth will gather at the Ermine Mullino home at 10 a.m. for games and fellowship. The Wichita youth will later pair with local youth in a door-to-door outreach across the community.

At 2 p.m. the Mission Possible participants will present a concert uplifting Christ with a variety of musical praise. Fourth street, north of the Rochester ISD campus, will be blocked off for the concert. A hamburger meal will be provided, courtesy of the Wichita group.

College students need insurance

Health problems can occur at any time. College students on their own for the first time need to think about medical insurance. Students may be covered by their parent's health insurance, while some colleges and universities provide limited health care as another option.

But, that should be carefully investigated too. Some jobs offer insurance; Extension recommends asking at the interview. In any case, young adults should check on their insurance status before leaving home.



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1:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m., March 29, 2005, in the Community Room, Haskell National Bank, 600 South 1st, Haskell, Texas



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Seminar leader to bring parenting program

"Creating Consequencies that Change Behavior" will be presented Thurs. Mar. 31, from noon to 1:00 p.m., at Haskell High School Auditorium by well-known speaker, Brenda Bird, who will be remembered as having presented "Tools for Home Improvement" here two years ago, giving practical tips on how to be a great parent.

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Bird worked in the field of Parent Education for nine years with the Carrollton-Farmers Branch ISD. She has been a featured guest on Channel 5's "Faith Focus" and has presented her much requested "Home Improvement" seminar at the Texas PTA Leadership Conference to 'standing room only' crowds. Her audiences have included prisoners, executives, teachers, counselors, ministers, parents and children.

Through her humouous, entertaining and inspirational seminars, the practical information she shares is making a difference in homes across the nation. Using her

own experiences as the mother of three sons, and based on the wealth of information she has gained while working with other parents, she touches hearts with her wit and

Bird's educational background includes a B. S. in education from Baylor University with emphasis in Speech Communications and English. She has been trained in Developing Capable People, Practical Parenting, Positive Discipline, Active Parenting, Parentto-Parent, Parents As Teachers, and Parenting with Love & Logic.

The noon to 1:00 p.m. event at which lunch will be provided, is free to all who wish to attend, and has been planned so that parents can come on their lunch hour, eat a quick bite, laugh a little and get some valuable tips on working with their children, from three years old to high

To make a reservation, call Kathy Garison at 864-2654, Ext. #344.

Beta Chi Chapter hears musical program

The Beta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Society met Sun., Mar. 6 at the First United Methodist Church in Munday for a musical program presented by teacher Sandy King and her piano students.

Each student played one solo piece and then played a duet with their instructor. Students performing were Morgan Griffith, Hunter Hutchens, Kristen Kuehler, Trey Tidwell and Taylor Wilson.

Following the program, guests and members enjoyed a tea party of shamrock cookies and hot tea.

A business meeting included discussions about the state convention and the recruitment of new members.

The next meeting of the Chapter will be Sun., Apr. 3, at the First Baptist Church in Haskell, with speaker Janis Brzozowski of the Noah Project presenting the program.

The annual Josselet family reunion will be held Sat., Mar. 26, at the Haskell Civic Center.

Activities will begin at 9:00 a.m., with lunch served at 12:00 noon. Meat, beans and bread will be furnished. Vegetables, salads or desserts will be brought by those attending.

An Easter egg hunt and other

entertainment will be provided for the children. Organizers ask that parents let them know how many children to prepare for by calling Sandy Sanford at 940-864-2192 or 940-864-2874 or Debbie Brister at 940-864-3538.

An adult and kids auction will be held following the meal and business

Student in the News

Jessica Rieger, Haskell resident, has been selected by a faculty committee at Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, as a member of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

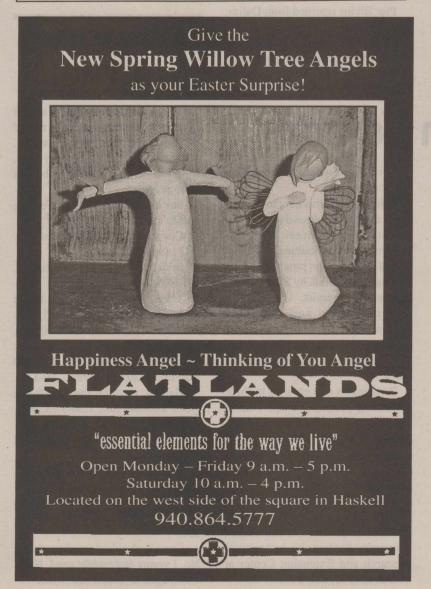
The committee charged with the responsibility for making recommendations from Hardin-Simmons University evaluated the student's academic achievement,

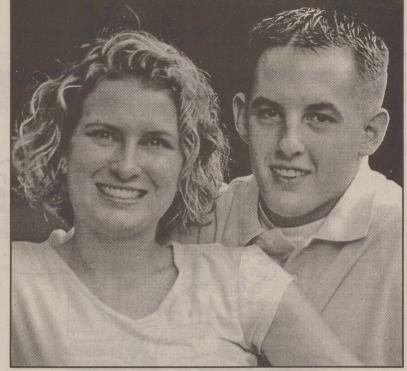
service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities, and potential for achievement.

Candidates must have completed at least 60 semester hours in order to be nominated to receive this honor.

Rieger will join an elite group of students from more than 2,300 institutions of higher learning across the nation and several foreign countries.

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KIRSTEN GATTIS - BRIAN LEHRMANN

Gattis, Lehrmann plan April wedding

Mr. and Mrs. David Gattis of Benbrook have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Kirsten Marie Gattis of Katy, and Brian Alden Lehrmann, son of Rick and Carla Lehrmann of Katy. A wedding is planned for April 9, at Benbrook United Methodist Church.

The bride-elect is a 2001 graduate of Western Hills High School, and a 2004 graduate of Stephen F. Austin University. She serves as the Junior High Youth coordinator of St. Peter's United Methodist Church in Katy.

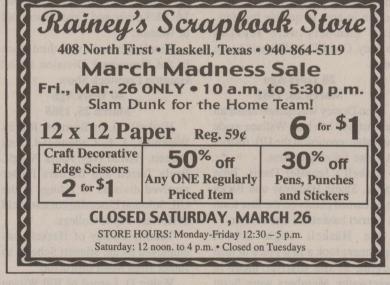
The prospective bridegroom is a 2001 graduate of Taylor High School, and is a student in the radiography program at the Houston Medical Center. He is the grandson of Doris Lehrmann of Rule, and Wayne and Sue Worley of Brownwood.

Paint transfer is art club subject

The Brazos West Art Association met Mar. 14 at the Haskell National Bank Community Room.

Demonstrating fun ways of transferring paint onto paper, Abilene artist, Patty Rae Welborn, used glass, funky foam, foam core, linoleum blocks and various other materials. The artist's favorite type of painting involves creating whimsical birds, angels and horses.

Those attending were Doris Reeves, Adeline Laird, Frances Olson, Marsha Whittemore, Gary Conn, Jennie Lyckman, Betty Hook, Betty Berry, Peggy Middlebrook, Flo Olson, Fern Livengood, Jerry Bowers, La Rae Williams and Maeghyn Williams.





Around Town

By Joyce Hawkins

Hyrum and Jean Richards spent the weekend in Albuquerque visiting with son, Brady Henshaw and with grandchildren, Savannah Jean and

Joyce Hawkins spent last week in Graham visiting with daughter and family, Darlene Conn and sons, Glendon and Sammy and families. She also visited with Sabrina and Amber Conn while they stayed the week with their Grandma Darlene.

Cody Blair and daughter of Woodson spent some time during their spring break with grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Blair.

Aubree and Caden Tatum of Amarillo spent a few days with their Grandmother Margaret Tatum and



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HIGHLIGHTS By Mike Cox

Proposal would move freight lines out of urban areas

AUSTIN-With flourish worthy of a treaty-signing, Gov. Rick Perry and Union Pacific Railroad CEO Richard Davidson have put their names on a memorandum of understanding that represents the first step in moving freight rail lines from urban areas in Texas.

The agreement included no specifics, but the idea is that the state and the private sector will work together to get freight trains out of the cities and into the country. That, the governor said, will improve safety and make it easier to develop commuter rail service between places such as Austin and San Antonio.

"Relocating rail lines from crowded city centers will lead to safer crossings, less hazardous cargo carried through populated areas, (and) greater efficiency in the movement of products," Perry said. Two, four, six, eight...

Rep. Al Edwards (D-Houston) has filed a bill prohibiting sexually suggestive movements by cheerleaders at sporting events and other extracurricular activities.

Under HB 1476, a school district could be docked a certain amount of state funding (to be set by the state commissioner of education) if that district "knowingly" allowed its cheerleaders to perform inappropriately.

Concealing concealed handgun holders' names...

A bill that would make the names of licensed concealed handgun holders confidential passed the House on March 17.

Rep. Suzanna Gratia Hupp's (Rsas) HB 318 would prohibit the Department of Public Safety, which administers the handgun licensing program, from revealing the names of any of the state's

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237,000-plus license holders.

A similar measure made it through the House in the last regular session but was gunned down in the Senate.

Meanwhile, the DPS has negotiated a reciprocal agreement with Pennsylvania allowing licensed Texans to tote guns in the Keystone State and vice versa. Texas has concealed handgun agreements with

State Historian...

Texas has an official poet laureate, state musician and two state artists. Now a proposal's in the hopper to create the post of state historian.

House Bill 2938, introduced by Rep. Harvey Hildebran (R-Kerrville), says the state historian would be charged with enhancing Texans' awareness of their history and heritage, encouraging the teaching of Texas history in schools, speaking on Texas history and consulting with state officials "on matters related to the promotion of Texas history."

If the bill passes, before you rush an application to Austin, here's the fine print: "The state historian may not receive compensation or reimbursement for expenses from the state for serving as state historian."

Kinky update...

Kerrville singer-mystery writer Kinky Friedman continues to say he expects no trouble in getting the 50,000 signatures necessary to get him on the ballot next year as the first independent candidate for governor since Sam Houston in 1859.

And his effort may get some help from an unlikely person, a Republican House member.

Rep. Todd Baxter's (R-Austin) House Bill 1721 would eliminate the Code that prohibits a registered voter from signing a petition to get another name on the ballot if he had already voted in his party's primary.



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From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago March 23, 1995

Gena Whitaker Woodard, daughter of Louis and Gladys Whitaker of Haskell, was nominated for Teacher of the Year for the Wichita Falls ISD.

Haskell FFA members Bobby Ortiz, Casey Burgess, Shelly Palacios and Wendy Dulaney placed second in the Haskell-California Creek Soil and Water Conservation Districts Range and Pasture Judging contest.

Winners in the basketball shootout sponsored by Modern Way and 7-Up were John Reyes, Smiley Herrera and Matthew Gholson.

Vickie Anderson of Rule was invited to publish her poems in The Sparrowgrass Poetry Forum of Sisterville, Maryland and the National Library of Poetry of Owings Mills, Maryland.

Haskell High School's FFA land judging team placed 1st in district and 4th in area to qualify for state. Team members were Jennifer Comedy, Carol Thornhill and Aaron Earles.

20 Years Ago March 28, 1985

Lynn Dewey was named to the all star cast and Michael Wallace made honorable mention in the UIL district 6AA one-act play contest.

Haskell's Jennifer Davis, Julie Roewe, Shane Hadaway and Ricky Rojas earned places on the first team all district basketball team roster.

The Haskell High School department took a first place in land judging at the district meet in Sweetwater. Members were Scott Burris, Doug Davis, Jerry Davis and Patricia Henry.

Debora K. Engle, daughter of C. C. and Eureda Campbell of Haskell, was selected for the 1984 Outstanding Young Women of America Award.

The Haskell High School newspaper 'The War Whoop' was given the award of Distinguished Merit from the Interscholastic League Press Conference. Shane Hadaway won first place for his sports column.

30 Years Ago March 27, 1975

First place winners in the Haskell Cowbelles poster contest to recognize National Agriculture Day were Kelly Gilliam, Haskell; Lance Hanson, Haskell; Lisa Medford, Paint Creek; Starla McFadden, Haskell; Becky Perez, Weinert; Christi Hannsz, Haskell; and Mindy Bell, Paint Creek.

Carrie Helen Spurek of Rule won a portable television given away during the Sears authorized catalog sales store grand opening.

Margie Casey of Rule had a painting of a landscape done in oil exhibited at the Abilene Fine Arts Museum.

Winners in the Wichita-Brazos Soil and Water Conservation District poster contest were Eric Turnbow, Jan McKeever and Cristi Guess, all of Weinert.

Kim Hager's calf won third place in the Simmental Division at the Houston Livestock Show.

40 Years Ago March 25, 1965

Haskell's Lon Barnett, Randy Wiseman, J. F. Cadenhead, Ken Barnett, Harold Ivey, Anita Powell, Paula Terrell and Barbara Foster received division 'I' ratings at the UIL Solo and Ensemble contests held at Howard Payne College.

Tommy Cathey of Haskell was employed by the Stinnett Schools as Junior High Math Instructor.

Walter D. Larned of Bill Wilson Motor Co., Haskell Ford Dealership, was selected as one of the nation's leading Ford dealership salesman during 1964 and received Ford Division's Top Hatter Award.

Mattie Green celebrated her 95th birthday with her daughter and sonin-law, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ellis of

Carolyn Rhoades of Rule, in a pantomine, won third place in the VA

III talent show at the Haskell High School.

50 Years Ago March 24, 1955

Robert H. (Bobby) Henshaw, grandson of Mrs. J. W. Henshaw of Haskell, was elected president of the student body at Cisco Junior College.

Haskell County 4-H girls Jean Griffith, Emilee Griffith and Ives June Casey gave demonstrations on the Homemakers Fiesta, KRBC-TV program.

Haskell Boy Scouts of Troop 36 No. 1 Patrol won the Old Camper award at the area Camporee held at Swenson Jog. Members were Doyce Hutson, Paul Merchant, Rodney Davis, Ted Dement, Bryan Corley, Rodney Roberts, Robert Coburn and Fred Brown, Jr.

Emilee Griffith, student in Paint Creek High School, was elected as the 4-H girl co-chairman for the newly organized District III 4-H club council.

Alfred Hinds, publisher of The Paducah Post and brother of Mrs. Jetty V. Clare of Haskell, received national recognition when he was selected as "Editor of the Week" by the Publisher's Auxiliary.

100 Years Ago March 25, 1905

Will Hammonds of the Post community sold his farm to Mr. Davis of Robertson County.

The following Haskell County cattle raisers took in the fat stock show and Texas Cattle Raisers Convention at Fort Worth: G. R. Couch, J. L. Jones, S. S. Cummings, W. L. Hills, S. R. Rike, C. D. Long, Albert English, W. T. Hudson, F. M. Morton and T. E. Ballard.

Jack McCandless of Stonewall County was over trading with Haskell merchants this week.

Pier Bivins returned from Dallas, where he was attending school.

H. G. McConnell, accompanied by Joe Irby, court stenographer, spent several day in district court at Benjamin this week.

USDA offers value-added rural grants

Bryan Daniel, USDA Rural Development State Director, has announced that USDA Rural Development is accepting applications for the Value-Added Producer Grant Program. Funding in the amount of \$14.3 million is available to develop value-added agriculture business ventures and develop alternative sources of renewable energy which support President Bush's energy plan to develop alternative sources of renewable energy.

The Value-Added Producer Grant Program provides competitive grant funds for one of the two following activities: (1) to support the planning activities needed to establish a viable value-added marketing opportunity for an agricultural product or (2) to acquire working capital to operate a value-added business venture that will allow producers to better compete in domestic and international markets.

"This grant will help agricultural producers become more profitable through value-added agricultural business opportunities," said Daniel. "In addition, priority consideration will be given to those grant applications that have at least 51% of project costs dedicated to activities for a bio-energy project."

Grants are available to independent producers, agricultural producer groups, farmer or rancher cooperatives, and majority-controlled producer-based business ventures. Eligible applicants applying under the renewable energy category must at include energy projects generated through the use of agricultural commodities, wind, water or solar power. The maximum award for the planning grant is \$100,000 and the maximum award for the working capital grant is \$150,000. Applications must be completed and submitted no later than May 6, 2005. For more information on the Value-Added Producer Grant, contact Billy Curb, Business and Cooperative Specialist, (254) 742-9775 or visit the web site at www.rurdev.usda.gov.

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USDA Rural Development's mission is to deliver programs in a way that will increase economic opportunity and improve the quality of life of rural residents. As a venture capital entity, USDA Rural Development provides equity and technical assistance to finance and foster growth in homeownership, business development, and critical community and technology infrastructure. Further information on rural programs is available at a local USDA Rural Development office or by visiting the web site at http:// www.rurdev.usda.gov.

Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 301 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., March 19, according to Gary Tate, reporter. 46 sellers and 32 buyers were present. Stockers \$2 to \$4 higher. Feeders

steady to \$2 higher.

Cows: fat, .48-.58; cutters, .45-.61; canners, .28-.43.

Bulls: bologna, .68-.77; feeders, .86-1.05; utility, .65-.75.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.40-2.05; 300-400 lbs., 1.35-1.65; 400-500 lbs., 1.25-147; 500-600 lbs., 1.18-1.35; 600-700 lbs., 1.10-1.25; 700-800 lbs., 1.03-1.20; 800-up lbs., .90-1.05.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.30-1.75; 300-400 lbs., 1.25-1.35; 400-500 lbs., 1.17-1.30; 500-600 lbs., 1.10-1.25; 600-up lbs., .85-1.15.

Bred heifers medium frame, 750-

Bred Cows: young to middle aged, 900-1050; aged or small, 650-

Cows with calves: medium frame No. 1 young and middle aged, 1000-1350; aged or small, 825-1080.

Field Day set April 7 in

by Jane Rowan

Haskell Co. Extension Agent Farmers and cattle producers can update their knowledge of forage production, grazing management and the cattle market at an April 7 field

Registration will begin at 8 a.m.

Haskell Co. **Gin Report**

Haskell

Haskell County Gin	4,000	
Haskell Co-op Gin 14	4,676	
O'Brien		
O'Brien Co-op Gin22	2,592	
Rule		
Rule Co-op Gin13	3,407	
Sagerton Gin	2,700	

Total Bales 77,948

at the Texas Foundation Seed Service facility in Lockett. The facility is adjacent to the Texas A&M University System Agricultural Research and Extension Center at Vernon. There is no fee to attend.

Participants can visit the Vernon center for a look at research with cool-season perennial forages, conducted by Dariuz Malinowski, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station assistant professor-forages, or travel by van to the Smith /Walker research unit to hear presentations onthese topics:

•Reduced tillage practices for grazed/ungrazed wheat; John Sij, Experiment Station agronomist:

•Managing bloat in stocker cattle; Bill Pinchak, Experiment Station ruminant nutritionist; •Nitrogen fertilizer rates and

application timing; •Weed control options; Todd Baughman, Texas Cooperative Extension agronomist; and

•Grazing intensity and grazing termination dates. Following the morning tours, two speakers at the foundation seed

facility will address the U.S Department of Agriculture's national animal identification program and the beef market outlook by Stan Bevers, Extension economist. 'A noon meal and a keynote

presentation by Jim McAdams, president of the National Cattleman's Beef Association, will wrap up the Participants can earn up to three continuing education units, 1 Laws

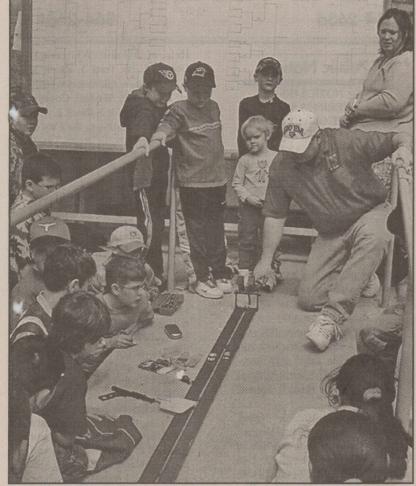
and Regulation, 1 General and 1 IPM. Sponsors of this half-day event include Texas Cooperative Extension and the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

For more information call the Haskell Co. Extension office at 940-864-2658 or the Texas A&M University System, or Agricultural Research and Extension Center at Vernon at (940) 552-9941.

March 21, 2005

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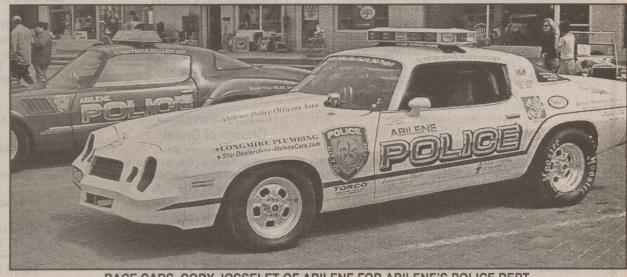
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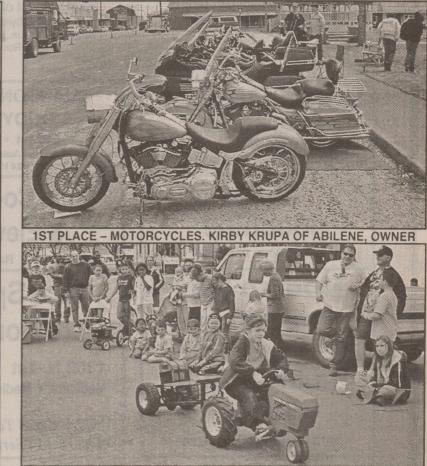
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Haskell School Menu

Mar. 28-April 1 Breakfast

Juice and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu. Monday: Breakfast bagels Tuesday: Funnel cake

Wednesday: Cereal, graham Thursday: Breakfast on a stick

Friday: Pig in a blanket

Lunch Milk and iced tea are served daily at the Secondary campus. Milk is

served daily at the Elementary

School. Secondary campus: Choice

of entree or baked potato with cheese and ham.

Monday: Chicken strips, gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli with cheese, hot rolls, cherry shape-ups Tuesday: Taco salad, cheese, chips, salsa, pinto beans, sliced peaches Wednesday: Chicken spaghetti, garden salad, green beans, breadstick, cake with icing

Thursday: Pepperoni pizza, baby carrots with dressing, corn, rosy

Friday: Cheeseburger, lettuce, tomato, pickles, french fries, fruit

Paint Creek School Menu

March 28-April 1 Breakfast

Juice and milk are served daily. Monday: No school Tuesday: Toast or cereal Wednesday: Pancakes Thursday: Biscuits and gravy Friday: Toast or cereal Lunch

Milk is served daily.

Monday: No school Tuesday: Ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans, jello Wednesday: Burritos, refried beans, corn, fruit cups

Thursday: Beef and noodles, peas, salad, garlic bread, applesauce cake Friday: Hamburgers, lettuce, tomatoes, cheese, pickles, fries, pudding cups

This Week's Devotional Message:



HE IS RISEN

'Christ is risen!" And once again on Easter morning, the miracle of His resurrection brings joy and inspiration, as we gather together in the house of the Lord, with our families and friends: to worship, to rejoice, to give thanks for His gift of life everlasting. May this Eastertide bless each of us with infinite trust in the goodness of life, hope for the future and faith in the spiritual truths that sustain us.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

---HASKELL-East Side Baptist Church Danny Manross, pastor

Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m. 600 N. 1st East, Haskell Christian Church Dusty Garison, minister Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 107 N. Ave. F, Haskell

New Vision Family Worship Center Joe and Loretta Stulir, pastors 864-3465

Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7:00 p.m. East Hwy 380, Haskell Trinity Lutheran Church Ron Rennegarbe, pastor

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. 114 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. T. L. Griffin 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

Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 301 N. Ave. E, Haskell Church in the Park Rev. Tim and Suzann Townsend Sun. Morn. 10:30 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

Gazebo or Pavillion Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church Dr. Gibbie McMillan, Interim pastor Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. Wed. 6 p.m. 1303 N. Ave. I, Haskell

---WEINERT-First Baptist Church J. C. Baker, pastor Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 7 p.m.

Weinert Weinert Foursquare Church Rev. Robert Harrison Sun. Morn. 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m. Weinert

> ---ROCHESTER---Church of Christ

Steve Wilis, minister Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m. West on Main Street, Rochester First Baptist Church Fred Garvin, interim pastor Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6:00 p.m. 500 Main, Rochester

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

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

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

Sagerton Methodist Church Philip Houston, 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. 1001 Union Ave., Rule

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

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

First United Methodist Church Wendall Fergerson, pastor Sun. Morn. Worship 8:30 a.m.

1000 Union Ave., Rule Primera Iglesia Bautista

Alfa y Omegs Manuel Marin, pastor Sun. Morn. 10 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m. 500 Elm Street, Rule Sweet Home Baptist Church

Bill Trice, pastor Sun. Morn. 10:00 a., 11:00 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.m.

Gladstone Ave., Rule West Bethal Baptist Church Rev. Robert Sweet

Sun. Morn. 10 a.., 11 a., 8 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m. 300 Sunny Ave., Rule -PAINT CREEK-Paint Creek Baptist Church

Sun. Morn. 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m. Paint Creek ---O'BRIEN-

O'Brien Baptist Church Jim Reid, pastor Sun. 9:45 a.., 11 a., 5 p., 6 p, Wed. 6 p.m.

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Public Notices

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE THE STATE OF TEXAS§ **COUNTY OF HASKELL§**

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 39th Judicial District Court of Haskell County, on the 4th day of March, 2005, by the Clerk thereof, in the case(s) styled as follows:

Cause No. 10,354: Styled: Haskell County Appraisal District, et al v. Bertha Shuvley. Legal description: 1. Lot 15, Block 1, Harrell Addition to the Town of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause No. 10,507: Styled: Haskell County Appraisal District, et al v. Sam Rodriquez dba Rodriquez Inn. Legal description: 2. Lot 7, Block 2, Sherrill Addition to the Town of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause No. 10,530: Styled: Haskell County Appraisal District, et al v. S.M. Wilcox Ind/Heir of Ruth Wilcox, Deceased. 3. 1.46 acres. Block Part of 3 (453.5X140) Mason Addition (Abst 906) to City of Rule, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause No. 10,926: Styled: Haskell County Appraisal District et al v. Sam S. Lyles, Deceased. 4. Lots 11, 12, Block 6, A.B. Carothers Addition to the City of Rochester, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause No. 11,070: Styled: Haskell County Appraisal District, et al v. Alberto Alvarez. 5. Lot 4, Block 14, College Heights Addition to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause No. 11,077: Styled: Haskell County Appraisal District, et al v. Rita Whitley Ind/Heir of Donald E. Whitley. 7. Lot 11, 12, Block 26, A.B. Carothers Addition to the City of Rochester, Haskell County, Texas. Cause No. 11,191: Styled:

Haskell County Appraisal District, et al v. John Camp. 8. Lot 5, Block 41, Original Town Addition to the City of Rule, Haskell County, Cause No. 11,192: Styled:

Haskell County Appraisal District, et al v. A.M. Hill, Deceased. 9. Lots. 1, 2, 3, and Lots 8, 9, 10, Block P, Johnson Addition (OL 129) to the City of Haskell, Haskell County, Texas. Cause No. 11,195: Styled:

Haskell County Appraisal District, et al v. Catherine Langford, Ind/

NOTICE

The deadline for Classified

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Heir of Minnie Whitemore. Deceased. 10. Tract 5, Block 1, A.B. Carothers Addition to the City of Rochester, Haskell County, Texas. 11. Lots 1, 2, Block 2, A.B. Carothers Addition to the City of Rochester, Haskell County, Texas. 12. Tract 6, Block 1, A.B. Carothers Addition to the City of Rochester, Haskell County, Texas.

Cause No. 11,197: Styled: Haskell County Appraisal District, et al v. Mount Olive Baptist Church. 13. East Half of Section 12, J.B. Shaw BBB & C Ry Co. Lands. Abstract 1066, Tract 30, Haskell, County, Texas.

and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the 5th day of April 2005, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the South door of the Courthouse of Haskell County, in the City of Haskell, Texas.

Levied on the 4th day of March, 2005, as the property of said defendants, to satisfy the judgment rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest, as 12 percent per annum, and all costs of suit in favor of each jurisdiction.

All bidders must now display proof of compliance with 34.015 of Texas Tax Code.

Given under my hand this 4th day of March, 2005. David Halliburton

Sheriff, Haskell County, Texas

NOTICE OF

PUBLIC MEETING The Rolling Plains Health Care System will be holding a meeting on April 12, 2005 at 5:00 p.m. at Haskell City Hall. This meeting will be to inform the general public regarding the development of an assisted living community to be constructed in Haskell, Texas. This meeting will be held to acquaint the public about the project on items such as, economic and environmental impact, service area and alternatives to the project. Anyone interested in learning more about this project and the effects on the City of Haskell are invited to

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LOST: Black and tan dachshund dog. Green collar and blue rabies tag. Name is Boone. Last seen in N. 16th area of Haskell. 806-665-

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REYNOLDS: I am searching for relatives of William Justus Reynolds, born 1852 died Haskell 1940. Contact Herman Crawford 936-853-2305. 1186 Kirkland Rd., Lufkin, Texas 75904. Email emma@netdot.com.

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Public Notices

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El Rule ISD School Board por la presente cancela la eleccion que, de lo contrario, se hubiera celebrado el siete de Mayo, 2005 de fonformidad, con la Seccion 2.053(a) del Codigo de Ellecciones de Texas. Los siguientes candidatos ban sido certificados como candidatos unicos y por las presente quedan elegidos como se halla indicado a continuacion:

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We want to thank the doctors and nurses at the Cadenhead Clinic and Haskell Memorial Hospital for the loving way that you cared for our Mom and Grandma.

Thanks to the staff at Holden-McCauley for so tenderly ministering to us. Most of all, we want to thank each of you for your prayers.

In times like these, everyone needs sheltering trees, these are friends in our life who get down on their knees and lift us up to the King of Kings. Please continue to shelter and lift us up. May God richly bless each and everyone of you as you have blessed us.

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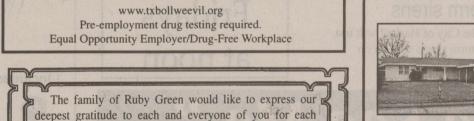


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CELEBRATING 91-The "Koffee Klatch" group of women who usually meet on Thursdays at Plum Cute, met recently at the Haskell home of Anita Herren for luncheon and celebration of her 91st birthday, hosted by her niece, Carolyn Dycus, and daughter, Jan Gannaway. Those attending, I-r, were Bonnie Jircik, Lucile Gannaway, Edith Wheatley, Ruth Nail, Faye Simpson, Anita Herren (seated), Ernestine Herren, Barbara Kimbrough, Jane Coston and Vivian Roberson (seated). Not pictured is Joyce Turner.

Calendar

Exes basketball

The third exes basketball games will be held Sat., March 26 at Indian Gym in Haskell. Ex-Haskell basketball players will compete with the girls' beginning at 6 p.m. followed by the boys' game. Graduates of even years will play graduates of odd years. Entry fee is \$15 per player with proceeds benefiting the Haskell Educational Foundation.

Jr. Sheriff's posse

The Stamford Jr. Sheriff's Posse will start the 2005 season with a hot dog supper at the Stamford Jr. Sheriff's Posse arena Fri., April 1 at 6:30 p.m.

Recovery program

New Vision Worship Center, Hwy. 380 East in Haskell, will host a faith-based twelve step recovery program beginning Thurs., April 7 at 7 p.m. For more information call 864-3137.

Auction items

The Noah Project-North is seeking auction items for the annual dinner and silent auction to be held Sat., April 9 at the Civic Center. To donate an item or cash, contact the Noah Project-North at 84-2551 or P.O. Box 52, Haskell, Texas 79521. Proceeds of the auction help victims of family violence.

Recipes needed

Friends of Old Glory School are seeking recipes for their new cookbook. Deadline for submitting your favorite recipes is April 1. Mail recipes to Friends of Old Glory School, P.O. Box 3, Old Glory, Texas 79540.

Softball tryouts

Registration for girls softball will be held Mon., March 28 at City Hall from 5:30 to 7 p.m. For information, call Eddie Klose 864-3801 or Jacklyn Wheatley 864-3126.

Chamber banquet

The Haskell Chamber of Commerce will hold their annual banquet Thurs., March 31. Charlie Stenholm will speak. An appreciation day will be held in conjunction with the banquet.

Parenting fair

A parenting fair will be held Tues., April 26 from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Knox City High School Gym in Knox City. The fair, sponsored by the Texas Cooperative Extension-FCS Committee, will offer a variety of information on services and programs available to help parents in raising their children. Booth space is available. For more information, call the Knox Co. Extension office at 940-459-2651.

Old Glory musical

The Old Glory Musical will be held Sat., March 26 at the Community Center in Old Glory. The concession stand will open at 5 p.m. and the music will start at 5:30 p.m. For more information call 940-989-2739.

Josselet reunion

The Josselet family reunion will be held Sat., March 26 at the Haskell Civic Center beginning at 9 a.m. Lunch will be served at noon followed by an Easter egg hunt for the kids. Call Sandy Sanford 864-2192 or 864-2874 or Debbie Brister 864-3538 for information.

Society to meet

The Haskell County Historical & Genealogical Society will meet Mon., April 4 in Haskell City Hall at 7 p.m.

Storm sirens

The City of Haskell will test the storm sirens at noon on

Indians defeat **Tigers**

The Haskell Indian Baseball team has gone head-to-head with the Anson Tigers in their last two competitions. On both occasions, the Indians have come from behind to defeat the Tigers.

In the first game, played in Haskell, it took a base-clearing grand slam by Brandon McClatchey in the bottom of the sixth inning to edge out the Tigers in a 9-7 victory. Ronald Chapman and Brad Blanks combined for the pitching performance.

The second game, played in Anson, would take the Indians eight innings to overcome the Tigers. In the top of the eighth, with the score tied 5-5, Blanks would hit a 2-run home run over the center field fence to take the lead. Kendall Mitchell pitched a solid six innings, with Chapman coming in the seventh in relief. Blanks got the last out of the eighth inning for the save.

This improved the team's record to 8-1 for the season.

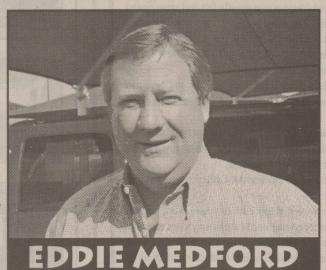
The Indians will start District play in Paducah Thurs., Mar. 24 at 4:00

The JV game scheduled for after the Varsity game, has been cancelled since Paducah did not have enough

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4-H'ers win at district photo contest

by Jane Rowan Haskell Co. Extension Agent

Nine Haskell County 4-H'ers who participated in the 2005 Haskell County 4-H photography contest had their photos sent in to the District competition that was held this month in Vernon.

Blue ribbons were awarded for entries in these categories by:

Kelsie Adams: People, Black & White; Animals, Color Digital; Still Life, Black & White; and Special Effects, All Media;

Paige Adams: Plant/Flora, Color. Brooke Bullinger: Still Life, Color Digital; Natural Landscape, Color; Natural Landscape, Color Digital; and Plant/Flora, Color Digital; Jenny Dudensing: Animals,

Black & White and Animals, Color; Molly Dudensing: Story Board, All Media:

Meagan Kimbrough: in People, Color; and

Zeb Petty: Still Life, Color. Red ribbons were awarded to:

River McTasney: People, Color Digital and Theme, All Media; and Ashley Williams: Architectural Elements, Black & White.

This year was the start of a new tradition at the District contest. Six plaques were given for "Best of Show" and the District office had those pictures enlarged and framed to be displayed for a year in the hallway at the District Office in

Included from Haskell were entries by Brooke Bullinger Jenny Dudensing.

Winners from the Haskell County competition, in the Senior division advanced to the state level for 4-H Round-up at College Station in June.

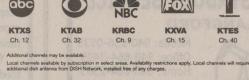
Those participating were Emery Dudensing and Taylor Williams. Their results will not be given until

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