

Football games

HASKELL

7th-8th Indians vs Merkel
Thurs., Oct. 5 p.m.
at Merkel

JV Indians vs Merkel
Thurs., Oct. 5, 6 p.m.
at Haskell

Indians vs Merkel
Fri., Oct. 6, 7:30 p.m.
at Merkel

PAINT CREEK

JH-V Pirates vs San Angelo
Tree of Life
Fri., Oct. 6, 6/7:30 p.m.
at Paint Creek

RULE

JH Bobcats vs Jayton
Thurs., Oct. 5, 5:30 p.m.
at Rule

JV Bobcats vs Newcastle
Thurs., Oct. 5, 7 p.m.
at Newcastle

Bobcats vs Jayton
Fri., Oct. 6, 7:30 p.m.
at Jayton

Calendar

Weinert celebration

Weinert has set their Centennial Celebration and Homecoming for Oct. 6-8. A centennial parade will be held Sat. morning at 10 a.m. To enter the parade, call Mary Murphy at 940-673-8269.

Garage sale

The Haskell Chamber of Commerce will hold a community-wide garage sale Sat., Oct. 7. Application forms are available at the Chamber of Commerce office at 510 S. 2nd St. or by calling 864-2477. Deadline to register is Thurs., Oct. 5 at noon. Cost is \$10.

Benefit tournament

A benefit co-ed softball tournament will be held in Haskell Oct. 14-15 at the high school boy's baseball field to benefit patients in the Haskell area who are in need of medical funds. To enter the tournament, RSVP to Bobby at 864-2532 or Trey at 325-201-8212 by Oct. 7.

Medical fund

A medical fund has been established for Faye Trevino of Weinert at Haskell National Bank.

Training

Haskell CISD will conduct a substitute training course Mon., Oct. 9 in the Haskell Elementary Library from 1 to 3 p.m. No registration is necessary. All substitutes and prospective substitutes need to attend even if you have previously attended training or are a certified teacher.

Bobcat spirit

Rule residents are asked to join the Rule Bobcats to decorate the town with streamers and paint paw prints on School Street and at the stadium. The paw prints will feature the numbers of the football players. Rule will begin district competition against Throckmorton this week. Lots of manpower is needed Tues., Oct. 10 at 6 p.m. to decorate for the game.

Art Association

The Brazos West Art Association will meet Mon., Oct. 9 at 7 p.m. at the Haskell National Bank Community Room. Bill Middlebrook of Haskell will conduct program on the art of knife making.

Rochester reunion

Jim Hollingsworth and family will host a 'brothers and sisters' reunion during Rochester homecoming Oct. 13-14 at their home at 312 CR 146 in Rule. Friends are invited to drop by during the festivities.

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City-wide garage sale Saturday

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Haskell County youth celebrate 4-H week



CELEBRATING 4-H WEEK—Haskell County 4-H'ers met with County Judge David Davis in preparation for National 4-H Week celebrations in the county, Oct. 1-7. In four clubs in Haskell County, more than 100 members and 30 volunteers are involved in 4-H. From the left are Candace Brister, County Agent Jane Rowan, Judge Davis and Andrea Anderson.

by Wes Utley

CEA-Ag/NR, Haskell Co.

Oct. 1-7 is National 4-H Week and Haskell County 4-H'ers are celebrating. In Haskell county, more than 100 4-H members and 30 volunteers are involved in 4-H making up four clubs.

In Haskell, the Haskell Jr. 4-H Club with club managers Gina Buerger, Terri Klose and Leiza Morales meet the third Monday afternoon of each month at the Haskell National Bank Community Building.

Also, in Haskell is the Haskell Sr. 4-H Club with club managers Debbie Brister, Valiene Bullinger, Tammy Parham and Tina Tullos. The Sr. Club holds monthly meetings to be announced each month at the Haskell County Extension Office.

Rochester 4-H Club meets monthly with meetings to be announced once a month. Faye Ulrich is Club manager.

Renee Dudensing is the club manager for the Rule/Sagerton 4-H Club. Rule 4-H meets every third Monday right after school at the Rule school.

All meetings are subject to change due to livestock shows, school activities/contests among other conflicts. Call the Haskell County Extension Office for updates on meeting times and schedules. 4-H is open for all youth between the ages of 8 and in the 3rd grade to 19.

To learn how to become a 4-H member or volunteer leader in Haskell County, contact Wes Utley, CEA-Ag at Texas Cooperative Extension, Haskell County at 940-864-2658 or www.haskell@ag.tamu.edu.

Indians open district play with a 40-13 win

After playing a sluggish first half of football Friday, the Haskell Indians got it together in the second half to notch their opening District 5AA win, 40 to 13 over the Colorado City Wolves. Haskell opened the second half of play with the football and crossed the goal line on 5 straight possessions.

During the first half of the District 5AA game, the Wolves of Colorado City got a TD in the first quarter on a 56-yard run and nailed the PAT kick. Haskell answered back with running back Travis Adams on a 17-yard run, but the try for the PAT failed. The Wolves added another "touch" during the second quarter. The PAT try was

blocked by the Indians. At intermission, Colorado City held the lead, 13 to 6. For the Indians, it was, "Thanks for two halves of football."

To start the second half, running back Greg Guzman scored on a 29-yard run to get the Indians on the warpath. The PAT was blocked, but Haskell wasted no time to get back on the score board. Travis Adams scored on a 30-yard run, and Guzman added the 2 point conversion on the Indian's 2nd possession of the half.

Haskell finally took the lead at the 7:02 mark of the third quarter. The Indians never looked back.

QB Matt Brown would score on a 3-yard run on Haskell's next

possession and also add the 2 point conversion. On the Indians' next possession, Guzman raced 35 yards to put the Indians up 34 to 13. The 2 point conversion try was no good. On the Indians' 5th possession of the second half, Adams added the last Haskell score on a 16-yard run. Again, the 2 point conversion try failed. It was a dominating second half of football by the Indians.

Haskell moves their season record to 4 and 0, and their District 5AA record to 1 and 0.

Haskell had 47 rushes for 345 yards. Brown had 16 carries for 72 yards and one TD. Adams had 17 rushes for 157 yards and three

touchdowns. Guzman had 10 rushes for 115 yards and two TDs, and Justin Rodriguez had four carries for one yard. The Indian defensive unit had two fumble recoveries and two "picks." One was by Adams and one by Anthony Hernandez.

Haskell will travel to Merkel to take on the Badgers Friday night. Kickoff time 7:30 p.m.

The 7th and 8th grade Warriors lost to the Colorado City Jr. High, and the JV Indians were defeated by the JV Wolves. The Warriors 7th and 8th will play in Merkel Thursday. Game time is 5:00 p.m. The JV Indians will play in Haskell at 6:00 p.m. Thursday.

Rochester to celebrate Oct. 13-14

The city of Rochester will celebrate its centennial anniversary and school homecoming with an agenda of weekend events planned as something of fun for everyone.

The activities will begin on Friday, Oct. 13, with a supper at the Fire Hall at 5:30 p.m. This will be followed by a patriotic fireworks display at the football stadium, beginning at dark, and a musical and time for visiting in downtown Rochester.

Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. Sat., Oct. 14, in the cafeteria, where complimentary coffee and donuts will be served.

At 10:00 a.m., the ex-cheerleaders, twirlers and drum majors will meet for a coffee in the

homemaking room.

Guided tours of updated school facilities will be offered during the morning.

At 11:00 sandwiches, drinks and desserts will be served in the cafeteria.

A business meeting and time for reminiscing will begin at 1:00 p.m. in the Simmons Auditorium.

At 3:30, a parade will kick off in downtown Rochester, followed by placing of a time capsule at the museum at 4:30.

The evening meal will be served downtown at 5:30. Class reunions will be held during the evening.

To close the festivities, a dance will begin downtown at 9:00.

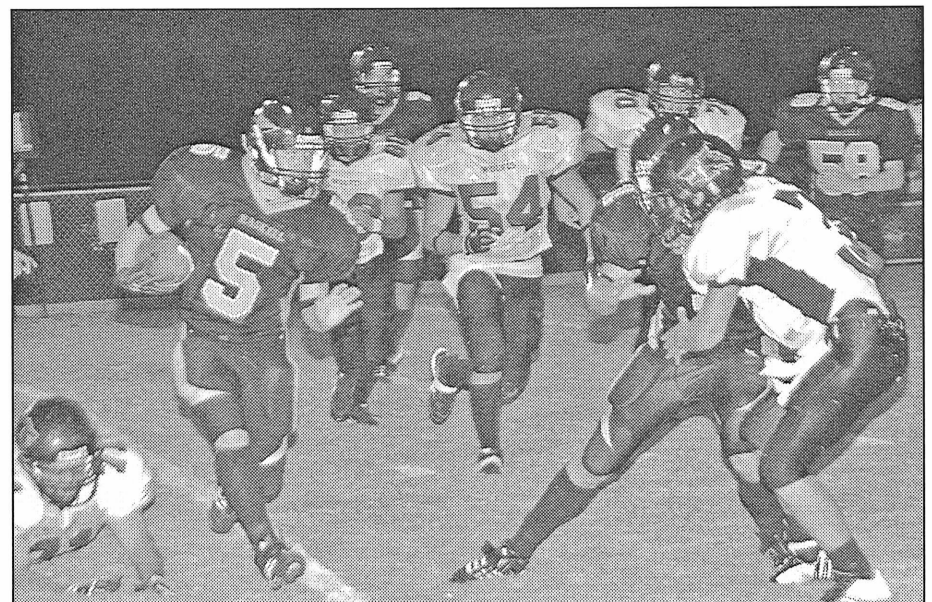
Weinert Centennial, Homecoming set Oct. 7-8

The Weinert Homecoming, Centennial Celebration will be held Sat., Oct. 7 and 8.

Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m., followed by the parade at 10:00. Lunch will be served at 12:00 and a program will begin at 2:00.

At 6:00 p.m. supper will be served followed by a dance at the Weinert Gym at 9:00.

On Sunday, a Worship Service will be held at 10:30 a.m. at Weinert First Baptist Church.



GUZMAN GAINING GROUND—Haskell Indian Greg Guzman #5, carries the ball during one of 10 rushes for 115 yards he had in the district game with the Colorado City Wolves Friday.

Photo by Bill Blankenship

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Training offered for special education teachers

Applications for the Region 14 Education Service Center's 2007-08 Alternative Certification Program for certification of special education teachers will be accepted until Nov. 30. The program allows college graduates wanting to be special education teachers to earn certification as they train and teach full time, serving as interns with mentor teachers in area school districts. Participants complete course work and training in the spring and summer prior to entering the classroom. During the internship year, training is continued. Financial

aid is available.

Applicants are selected from those meeting the following admission requirements:

- Received bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education.

- Attained a minimum of 2.5 grade point average overall or 2.75 on the last 60 hours.

- Earned at least passing scores on the Texas Higher Education Assessment (THEA) formerly the TASP.

- Acceptable score on a critical thinking test administered at Region

XIV ESC.

- Completion of an interview process.

The teaching certificate enables recipients to teach anywhere in Texas in special education in grades EC-Grade 12. Reciprocity is available in some other states.

For information contact John Stevens 325-675-8630 or Janice Hill 325-675-8605.

Six-Man football scores

The No. 4 ranked Rule Bobcats defeated Bryson 82-34 Friday night at Bryson. Rule rushed 348 yards for five touchdowns and added another 116 yards and two scores in their passing game. Rule stands 4-0 for the season. They will play Jayton Fri., Oct. 6 at 7:30 p.m. at Jayton.

The Paint Creek Pirates were handed a 52-6 loss by Patton Springs Friday night.

The Pirates will play San Angelo Tree of Life Fri., Oct. 6 at 7:30 p.m. at Pirate stadium.

Take care of sinks, showers and drains

Sinks, tubs and showers are made with a variety of materials that are easily chipped, scratched, cracked, stained or otherwise damaged. To clean, use a non-abrasive household cleanser with warm water and a sponge.

To prevent hair clogs in drains, periodically remove the stopper and clean any accumulated hair, or purchase a rubber hair collector. Rubber mats can trap water and produce surface discoloration on the bottom of tubs and showers, so always hang them up to dry after use.

To clean glass areas, use a rubber squeegee or another product recommended by your home center.



BREAST CANCER AWARENESS DAY—In observance of October as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, a wreath was hung on the south door of the County Courthouse Monday by County Judge David Davis. Attending the ceremony were, l-r, Janis McDaniel, Betty Berry, Willie Faye Tidrow, Susan Cockerell, Belia Abila and Judge Davis.

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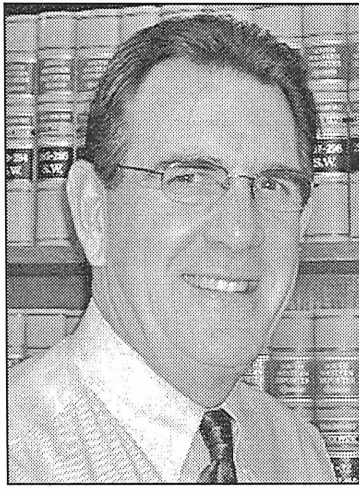
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VOTE FOR BILL JONES

Dear Voters of Haskell County,

I, Bill Jones, am pleased to once again be a candidate for the office of Haskell County Attorney. Being a 4th generation native of the County, my pride for, and dedication to, the people of Haskell County runs deep. As most of you know, I am a lifelong resident of Haskell County. I graduated from Rule High School and attended Texas Tech University obtaining a Bachelors of Business Administration Degree in Accounting. Later I returned to Texas Tech School of Law and obtained my Doctor of Jurisprudence. My knowledge of this County, and the concerns and desires of the people who live here, comes from my own experience of living with, working with, and representing the good people of Haskell County for many years.

I had the privilege of representing the residents of Haskell County as their elected County Attorney for eight years. During this time, I proved myself to be a tough and effective prosecutor, with a strong record of over 1500 successful prosecutions, over 50 felony juvenile prosecutions, over \$230,000 in fines and court costs imposed, and over \$175,000 in victim restitution recovered.

I have established a working relationship with all levels of law enforcement to ensure our citizens remain safe from crime, but if crime is committed, I have proven that my response will be swift and strong. I have the experience to effectively carry out all the responsibilities required of the County Attorney's office which include not only prosecuting crime, but also advising the Commissioners Court; interpreting laws, regulations, and policies; and drafting legal memoranda, resolutions, employee handbooks, responses to open meetings requests. I also have the necessary experience needed to advise our other elected County Officials, staff, and employees on legal matters, and to coordinate all the legal efforts related to Haskell County.

While out campaigning, I look forward to meeting with as many of you as possible, and would like to thank each of you for your continued support and vote on November 7, 2006.

VOTE BILL JONES FOR HASKELL COUNTY ATTORNEY
NOVEMBER 7, 2006
Pol. Adv. Paid for by Bill Jones, 4454 West Hwy 380, Rule, TX

Obituaries

Minnie Faye Turner Dean



MINNIE FAYE DEAN

Funeral services for Minnie Faye Turner Dean, 88, of Haskell were held Thurs., Sept. 28 at East Side Baptist Church with Rev. Danny Manross and Rev. Jack Smith officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell.

Mrs. Dean died Mon., Sept. 25 at an Abilene nursing center.

Born Jan. 28, 1918 in Stamford, she was the daughter of the late Hurshel Owens and Toyah Mercer Owens. In 1935, she married George Turner at Plainview Baptist Church. He preceded her in death in 1973. She worked as a nurse for 34 years for Haskell Memorial Hospital and Rice Springs Care Home. She was a

member of East Side Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, George Turner; second husband, Royce Dean; daughter, Rhonda Maguire; sisters, Vera Mae Grigsby, Velma Kohout and Nola Dean.

Survivors include Jeanette Hoppe and husband, Albert of Abilene; O.V. Turner of Oklahoma City; Ramah McGuire of Abilene; six grandchildren, Malinda, Kim and Tammy, all of Abilene, Brad of Austin, Donna of Brownwood, Dale of Azle; several nieces and nephews; and a host of friends.

Memorials may be made to Hendrick Hospitce Care, 1682 Hickory Street, Abilene, Texas 79601. PD. NOTICE

Nancy Flo Ratliff Plunkett



NANCY PLUNKETT

at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene.

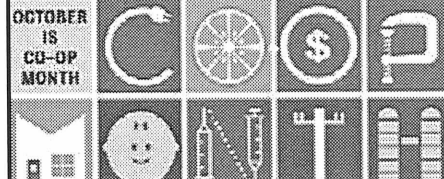
Born Feb. 13, 1931 in Haskell, she was the daughter of Dennis Pace Ratliff and Buelah Audrey Golden Ratliff. She attended Texas Christian University and Abilene Christian University. She married Eugene Plunkett April 10, 1972 in Lawton, Oklahoma. She was a lifetime member and past president of the American Legion Ladies Auxiliary Cox Post #221, a member of the Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary, Veterans of Foreign Wars Womens Auxiliary, and worked for many years in the concession stand on Bingo night. She was a member of the American Cancer Society, the Progressive Study Club and a lifetime member of the First Christian Church. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by her husband, Eugene Plunkett; two daughters,

Rebecca S. Malaise and husband, George 'Butch' of Midland, Kathy A. Parker and husband, Sid 'Tooter' of Haskell; two step children, Bill Plunkett of Naples, Florida and Jennifer Kerns of Austin; three grandchildren, Myra Ann Casey and husband, Mark, Sara Rebecca Parker Decker and husband, Marty, and Robert Spencer Malaise; eight step grandchildren; three great grandchildren, Mason Cole Casey, Marley Cate Casey and Addisyn Grace Bates; two sisters, Eva Jo McMillin of Abilene and Beunis 'Sister' Thigpen and husband, Dr. Joe of Horseshoe Bay; numerous nieces and nephews and a host of friends.

Memorials may be sent to First Christian Church, 107 N. Ave. F, Haskell, Texas 79521 or the American Diabetes Association Midland Office, 10 Desta Drive Suite 220 E, Midland, Texas 79705. PD. NOTICE

OCTOBER IS CO-OP MONTH



Concerned about Business Moving Offshore? Don't Look for Co-ops There!
By Ron Acosta, Member Service Representative
Big Country Electric Cooperative

There's a lot of talk these days about businesses moving operations offshore to increase profits. Some argue it helps the economy while others say it hurts. But one thing's certain. Those who are doing it aren't likely to be cooperatives.

Why? Because as member-controlled enterprises, co-ops are run largely by the people who live and work in the communities they serve. That gives them a different perspective from businesses owned by distant investors.

The nation's cooperatives come in all shapes and sizes. They operate in virtually every industry and range in size from small storefronts to Fortune 500 companies.

But they have some things in common. They are owned and democratically controlled by the people who use their services or buy their goods. They are motivated by service to their members, not by profit. As a result, co-ops are not likely to desert the locations in which their members live and work.

GM/CEO, Fredda Buckner at Big Country Electric Cooperative put it this way: "Community is not just where we work; it's why we work." Added Dalvin Alexander Electric System Manager, "Cooperatives are motivated to serve their members, not outside investors. Doing that means we must also serve the communities in which our members live, work and play."

Beyond generating hundreds of thousand of jobs and billions in income, co-ops support local causes ranging from education and the environment through cash contributions and volunteerism.

Big Country Electric Co-op made a donation to the Hermleigh School District for much needed play ground equipment in the month of September. BCEC also purchased a podium for the Roby High School auditorium. Stamford public schools saw a generous donation for the renovation of the gymnasium and also their football field. The Snyder baseball program has also benefited from the donation of labor for lighting of the field at their baseball park.

At a time of increasing concern about the nation's economy, co-ops show an uncommon loyalty and commitment to their communities. They are creating jobs, income and opportunity in their hometowns every day.

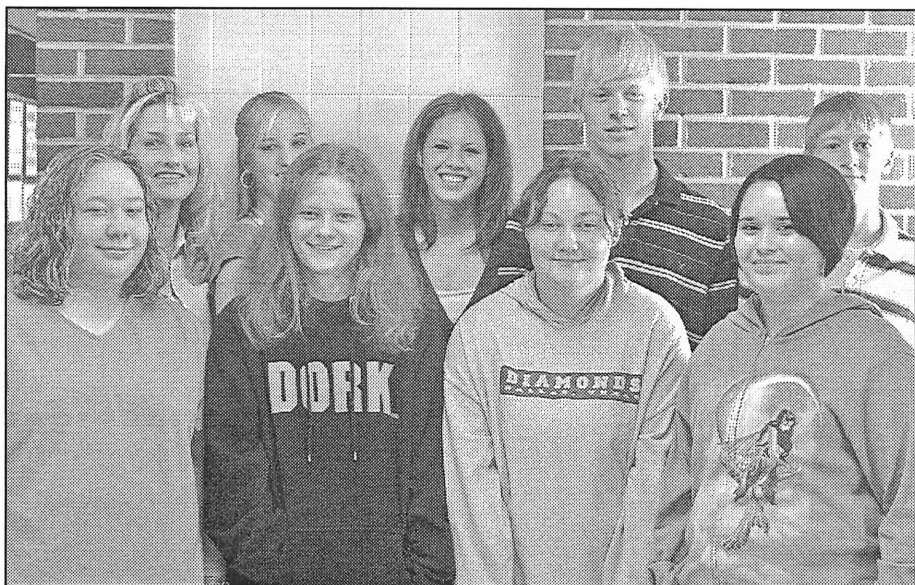
Sure, investor-owned businesses generate jobs and make charitable contributions. But for co-ops it's more personal. It's a critical part of where we work, what we do and why we do it.

And it's why you're not likely to see a headline about a co-op moving offshore anytime soon.

Please join Big Country Electric Co-op in celebrating co-op month on October 13, 2006 at one of the three offices located in Roby, Snyder or Stamford. Refreshments will be served along with an appreciation gift for all our member/owners and a free brightly colored safety Trick or Treat bag for the children.



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FCCLA OFFICERS—Paint Creek Family Career and Community Leaders of America officers for the 2006-07 school year are front, l-r, Melanie Bishop, Kristen Barr, Alice Blair and Cidney Jordan; back row, Chapter Advisor Darlene Hopkins, LaShell Walker, Cassidy Cooper, Jesse Exum and Taylor Exum.

Paint Creek FCCLA elects new officers

Paint Creek Family Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) chapter members have elected the following officers for the 2006-07 school year: President, Kristen Barr; Vice President of Projects and Programs, Cidney Jordan; Vice President of Records and Finance, Cassidy Cooper; Vice President of Public Relations, LaShell Walker; Vice President of Achievement, Alice Blair; Vice President of Recreation, Melanie Bishop; Vice President of Refreshments, Taylor Exum; and Vice President of Parliamentary Law, Jesse Exum.

Elected as Monthly Leadership/Meeting Committee Chairmen were: October, Dovovan Colley, chairman and Amy Cobb, co-chairman; November, Ariel Blair, chairman and Jacob Long, co-chairman; December, Jerica Ticer, chairman and Jordan

Adkins, co-chairman; January, Curtis Bishop, chairman and John Henderson, co-chairman; February, Shana Armstrong, chairman and Nathan Edwards, co-chairman; March, Dillon Emert, chairman and Josh White, co-chairman; April, Briana Wigley, chairman; and May, Jessica Pendergraft, chairman.

The chapter will meet the first Monday of each month at lunch in the room of Paint Creek FCCLA. Advisor is Darlene Hopkins. Plans were made to involve members in such projects as Red Ribbon Drug Abuse Prevention Week, Stop the Violence, Character Counts, PALS/Mentor Program, YES/Nursing Home Service Projects, School Board/Teacher Appreciation, Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month, Senior Concession Stand Assistance, School Beautification, Canned Food Drives, PTO Assistance, Rotary Club

Flag Program Assistance, FACTS and Lifeskills Consumer Quizzes.

Chapter members also plan to participate and Compete in FCCLA Regional and State Leadership Conferences in Power of One and Leadership Enhancement Opportunities (LEOs).

Members also plan to participate in National FCCLA Week, Feb. 12-18 and area fairs such as the West Texas Fair in Abilene, the Jones Co Fair in Anson and the King Co. Fair in Guthrie, Texas.

FCCLA is a dynamic youth organization that has the family as its center focus. Student leaders of Texas FCCLA are involved in programs dealing with management both personal and financial, child development, entrepreneurship, food service, nutrition, housing and career awareness.

Local WT Fair winners listed

Local winners in the West Texas Fair and Rodeo events were:

Antiques and Collectables: Document—1. Helen Lammert of Sagerton. Child's Book—Helen Lammert. Mechanical Toys—2. Helen Lammert. Kitchen Article, metal—2. Helen Lammert. Kitchen Article, wood—2. Helen Lammert. Kitchen Article, glass—2. Helen Lammert. Depression Glass, clear—1. Helen Lammert. Depression Glass, other—1. Helen Lammert. Pressed Glass, miscellaneous—2. Helen Lammert. Antique Silver—2. Helen Lammert. China, plate—3. Helen Lammert. China, other—1. Helen Lammert. Jewelry, neck or hair—2. Helen Lammert. Needlework, embroidery—2. Helen Lammert. Adult Clothing—2. Helen Lammert. Adult Clothing accessory—1. Helen Lammert. Child's Clothing—2. Helen Lammert. Photography Equipment—3. Helen Lammert. Any collection item, 25-50 years old—3. Helen Lammert. Birth Announcements—1. Helen Lammert. Miscellaneous glass not listed—3. Helen Lammert. Miscellaneous metal not listed—3. Helen Lammert.

Adult Photography: Color—Sunrise and sunsets—1. Danny Lammert of Sagerton. Seascapes—1. Danny Lammert. Insects—1. Danny

Lammert.

Youth Photography: Junior Division, Black and White—Nature, 3. Jenny Dudensing of Sagerton. General, 2. Jenny Dudensing. Animals and Birds, 3. Jenny Dudensing. Fair and Rodeo, 1. Jenny Dudensing. Color—General, 1. Jenny Dudensing. Fair and Rodeo, 1. Allison Petty of Rule; 2. Jenny Dudensing. Digital—People, 2. Christopher Lewis of Rule.

Senior Division, Color, Special Effects, 3. Christopher Lewis. People—Brittany Lammert of Sagerton. General, 1. Zeb Perry, Rule. Humorous, 1. Brittany Lammert. Special Effects, 3. Brittany Lammert. Fair and Rodeo, 2. Molly Dudensing, of Sagerton.

Youth Cakes: Seniors 14-18—Pound Cake, 1. Brittany Lammert of Sagerton. Sheet Cake, iced, 3. Brittany Lammert. Any Cake not listed, 1. Brittany Lammert.

Youth Breads: Seniors 14-18, Dinner Rolls, yeast, 2. Brittany Lammert. Corn Muffins, 1. Brittany Lammert. Other Muffins, 1. Brittany Lammert.

Youth Candy: Senior Division—Chocolate, 2. Brittany Lammert.

Youth Cookies: Senior Division—Rolled or shaped cookie, 3. Brittany Lammert.

Mr. Lynn Davidson
Writer

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Hobby Club sets bazaar

The Sagerton Hobby Club met in the Community Center Sept. 14 for their monthly meeting. Christine Stremmel was the hostess.

The roll call was answered with "Things I Have Learned." Kathy Baker, who has moved to Sagerton and is the Lutheran pastor's wife, was welcomed as a new member.

The date was set for the Annual Bazaar to be held at the Sagerton Community Center Sat., Nov. 4, from 9 a.m. until 2:30 p.m.

Anyone who would like to have a booth or would like more information should call 940-997-2013 or 325-773-3832.

After the business meeting, Baker showed the ladies how to make beautiful Norwegian stars to decorate their Christmas trees.

Members present were Jo Brown, Danice Cochran, Margie Lackey, Joyce LeFevre, Leona Letz, Mary Neinast, Christine Stremmel, Peggy Tabor, Wilma Teichelman, Dorothy Toney, Margaret Wendeborn and Kathy Baker.

Moellers to meet

The Moeller family will hold their 42nd annual reunion Sat., Oct. 14 at the Weinert School in Weinert.

Registration will begin at 2 p.m. followed by a business meeting at 3 p.m.

An auction will be conducted to help with expenses for next year's reunion. Those attending should bring items for the auction such as canned goods, homemade items, crafts, baked items, etc.

Supper will be served at 5:30 p.m. Families attending should bring a basket of food to share with everyone.

A dance will be held from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. with music by Dan Green of Weinert.

Births

Jessica Lauren Anderson and Casey Wade Brockway, both of Kaufman announce the birth of their daughter, Karoline Catharine Brockway, born Wed., Sept. 27 at 12:57 a.m. at Charlton Methodist Hospital in Dallas weighing 8 lbs. She was 20 inches long.

Catharine was welcomed home by three-year-old sister Reilly Paige Roberson.

Maternal grandparents are Tim and Pam Thompson. Maternal great grandparents are Nancy Garner Hollingsworth of Kaufman and Jim and Margo Hollingsworth of Rule.

Paternal grandparents are Mike Brockway and Monica and Vic Roberts, all of Kaufman. Paternal great grandparents are Roy and Shirley Brockway of Kaufman.

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Rochester 4-H Club elects officers

Rochester 4-H Club is starting another new year. The first meeting was held Sept. 24 at the Inn on Mullino Hill.

Officers elected for the 2006-07

year were president, Stewart Ulrich; vice president, Meghan Glover; secretary, Kymbre Kupatt; reporter, Paige Glover; and parliamentarian, Aaron Ulrich.

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HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

Trans Texas Corridor estimated at \$8 billion

AUSTIN—Details of Cintra/Zachry's proposed contract to build the "Trans Texas Corridor" project have been made public by the Texas Department of Transportation.

Cintra, a Spanish firm, says the toll road part of the 50-year-long construction project will cost more than \$8 billion.

The Project Cost document, Chapter 4, has a chart showing that main lanes of the road will cost about \$5.8 million per mile, while frontage roads will come in at \$2.6 million per mile. "Fully Directional" interchanges will set taxpayers back more than \$49 million each. Bridges will cost a little more than \$1.7 million per crossing.

Also budgeted is a line item for customer service and public relations, at \$30,360 per mile, per year.

Anyone who has a fast computer connection and plenty of time to read can go to the state agency's Web site and download the contract and related documents: 31 different files in all.

Plans include separate lanes for passenger vehicles and large trucks, freight railways, high-speed commuter railways, and infrastructure for utilities including:

- water lines
- oil and gas pipelines, and
- transmission lines for electricity, broadband and other telecommunications services.

If the 600-odd mile highway project becomes a reality, drivers will have an alternative to Interstate 35, which runs from Laredo through San Antonio, Austin and Dallas-Fort Worth to the Oklahoma border.

There's also a high-speed rail component to the Trans Texas Corridor Project, and its cost is estimated at more than \$8 billion. Plans are for rail lines to connect San Antonio, Austin, Dallas and Fort Worth.

At public hearings around the state, opposition so far has been registered by land and other property owners along the proposed construction route, anti-tax groups and individuals and government watchdogs.

A final vote on the project is forthcoming.

AG rules on license scanning

The attorney general ruled there is no conflict in state laws about this: "before completing the sale of a product containing ephedrine, pseudoephedrine or norpseudoephedrine, a business establishment that engages in those sales shall require the person making the purchase to display a driver's license and make a record of the sale, including the number of grams purchased."

Those substances can be used in the manufacture of illegal methamphetamine.

State Sen. Leticia Van De Putte, D-San Antonio, asked Attorney General Greg Abbott to render the opinion.

Her Senate Bill 164, requiring the license scanning, was signed into law by Gov. Rick Perry in 2005.

Child support debit card debuts

Parents who receive child support through the state's San Antonio child support disbursement office can use a credit-card style debit card instead of cashing a paper check.

The Attorney General's office said the cards are accepted at grocery stores and other retailers, and can be used to make cash withdrawals.

On-air debates scheduled

Candidates for governor will square off in Dallas on Oct. 6 at 7 p.m. in their only televised debate. The hourlong forum will be broadcast from the studios of KERA-TV. Broadcast rights are owned by Belo Corp., the owner of The Dallas Morning News.

Also, U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, will meet challengers Barbara Ann Radnofsky, Democrat, and Scott Jameson, Libertarian, in a debate on Oct. 19. The debate will be broadcast at 9 p.m. by PBS affiliate KLRN-TV San Antonio.

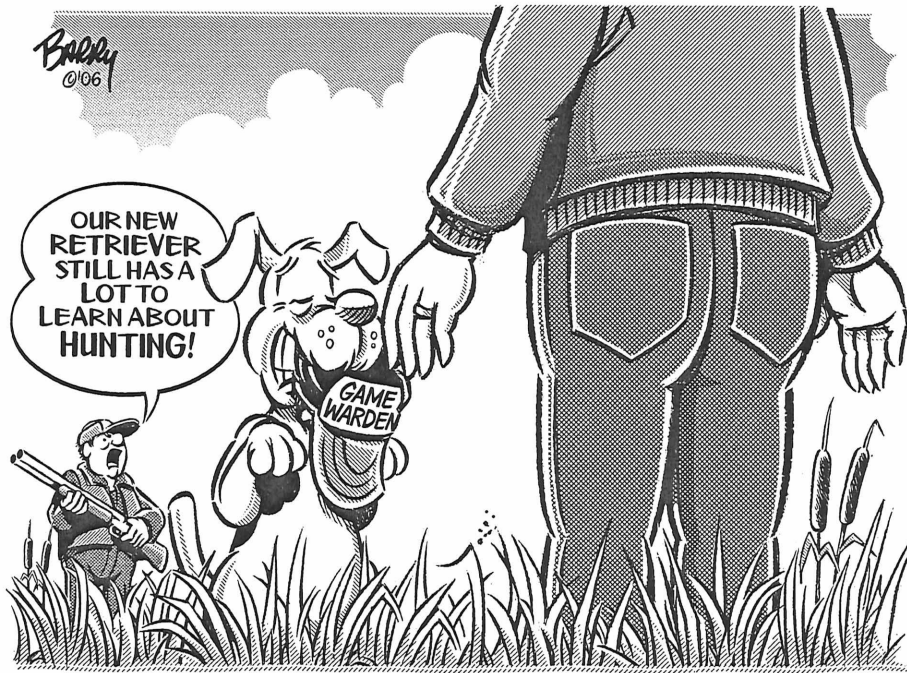
Lottery year was biggest yet

The Texas Lottery set a sales record in the fiscal year that ended Aug. 31, bringing in \$3.8 billion.

The previous record was set in 1997 when lottery customers bought \$3.7 billion worth of tickets.

Anti-litter slogan wins top award

"Don't Mess With Texas" was voted America's top slogan Sept. 29 in a national competition that pitted it against such well-known jingles as Nike's "Just Do It" and Burger King's "Have It Your Way."



From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago October 3, 1996

The City Council of Haskell hired Shane Hadaway as the city attorney. Hadaway grew up in Haskell and has practiced law here for several years.

The Haskell High School twirlers participated in the UIL Music Region 2 Twirling Contest. Twirling trio of Shelly Palacios, Shannon Jordan and Vanessa Miller received a Division I rating and advanced to the state competition.

Melba Pharr, Debbie Kreger, Alma Solomon and Oleta Cornelius attended the Texas Association Hospital District meeting held in Abilene.

20 Years Ago October 2, 1986

Tamra Burnett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burnett, was chosen Haskell County Fair queen.

Kirk High showed the grand champion lamb at the Haskell County Fair. Reese Walker had the grand champion ram. Alan Garrett had the grand champion ewe exhibit.

Frieda Fly retired after 30 years with the U.S. Department of Agriculture facility.

The Four Friends, Susan Pope, Pam Gibson, Roberta High and Patsy Blakley released a cassette tape engineered by David Gray, son of Bob and Loretta Gray.

30 Years Ago October 7, 1976

Halftime activities of the Weinert Homecoming included the crowning of Coming Home and Homecoming Queens. Mrs. Frank Oman was named Coming Home Queen and her granddaughter, Lisa Dutton was

named Homecoming Queen.

Kyle G. Wilfong, a Haskell County 4-H member, has been selected a state winner in the Santa Fe Program.

Weinert cheerleaders were Linda Yates, Lisa Dutton, Deb Robertson, Reda Campbell and Jo Beth McGuire, mascot.

Fred Smith, formerly of Haskell, and his musical group known as the Country Edition, have released their first album "Moods of a Country Picker."

Mrs. Jack Kline, Gwen, Stephanie and Becky of Euleus spent the weekend with their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H.R. Greene.

40 Years Ago September 29, 1966

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Crume visited in Haskell. The Crumes formerly owned and operated the Highway Drive-In and Sam's Restaurant.

Mrs. Lee L. Stewart and daughter, Joan, her husband First Lt. Daryl Muir, and daughter, Melissa, of Fort Hood, spent last weekend here in the home of Mrs. Stewart's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Maples.

Greg Thompson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Thompson of Haskell, won first place in the pet parade division of the County Fair and Hey-Day parade.

Jim Sampson, owner-operator of White's Auto, announced that he had purchased the Mrs. J.U. Fields building on the west side of the courthouse square.

50 Years Ago October 4, 1956

Playing on their home field, the

Mattson Ponies beat Vera 34-32 for their second win in three starts. Larry Campbell made three TDs for the Ponies, all on kickoff returns and one extra point. Jerry Alexander scored two TDs and two extra points. Sammy Sorenson made an extra point. Jerry Don Klose caught a pass for one TD that was called back.

Edith English has returned from Austin, where she spent the past month with her son and family, Crockett English.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gardner and children of Dallas, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Bill Boehme, visited with Mrs. Gardner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W.S. Cox of Paint Creek during the weekend.

100 Years Ago September 29, 1906

Cason and Cox have moved their furniture stock into the new Parsons Building.

H.S. Wilson has come forward with the suggestion that electric light be placed above the statue of Justice on the Courthouse. Several lights there would light the business section and would be visible for miles, he believes.

Kate Tucker, formerly of this place but now living in Pecos County, is here for the purpose of disposing of her property.

J.R. Miller, who resides a few miles west of town, was bitten by a rattlesnake a few days ago. He was gravely ill for a time, but is now well on the way to full recovery.

E. Bivens brought seven bales of cotton to the Haskell market. He said that he had 16 bales picked up to that time.

2007 DCP sign-up underway

Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns has announced that enrollment for the 2007 Direct and Counter-cyclical Payment Program (DCP) began Oct. 1 and continues until June 1, 2007. Johanns encouraged farmers to sign up for the program through the online DCP sign-up service.

"Producers will find the Internet-based DCP sign-up service convenient and very user friendly," said Johanns. "The service is an example of the strides USDA is taking to make its programs more accessible, and I encourage producers with Internet access to use the system."

Following the June 1, 2007, deadline, USDA will accept late

applications through Sept. 30, 2007, with a \$100 late fee. While DCP participants must sign DCP contracts annually, producers can choose not to participate in the program in any given year.

Producers can visit any USDA Service Center or their administratively assigned center, to complete their 2007 DCP contract. Additionally, sign-up can be done online, allowing producers to choose payment options, assign crop shares and sign and submit their contracts from any computer with Internet access. DCP participants can view and print out submitted contract options at any time.

The electronic DCP (or eDCP) service saves producers time, reduces paperwork and speeds up contract processing at USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) offices. It is available to all producers who are eligible to participate in DCP and who obtain eAuthentication accounts. The service has strict security measures to protect participants private information. Only authorized federal employees have access to information producers submit electronically.

The electronic service is available by going to <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/FSA/webapp?area=online&subject=landing&topic=dcpc> and clicking on

?Access eDCP Service.? To access the service, producers must have an active USDA eAuthentication Level 2 account, which requires filling out an online registration form at <http://www.eauth.egov.usda.gov> followed by a visit to the local USDA Service Center for identity verification.

USDA computes DCP payments using base acres and payment yields established for each farm. Producers receive direct payments at rates established by statute regardless of market prices. For 2007, eligible producers may request to receive direct advance payments based on 22 percent of the direct payment rate for each commodity associated with the farm. USDA will issue DCP direct advance payments beginning Dec. 1, 2006. Counter-cyclical payment rates vary depending on market prices. Counter-cyclical payments are issued only when the effective price (which takes into account the direct payment rate, market price and loan rate) for a commodity is below its target price. In more than four years since the 2002 Farm Bill authorized DCP, USDA has issued approximately \$30 billion in DCP payments to America's agricultural producers.

A fact sheet, posted online http://www.fsa.usda.gov/FSA/printapp?fileName=pf_20060301_insup_en_dcp06.html.

LACP sign-up extended

Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs has announced that the Texas Department of Agriculture will accept applications now through Nov. 13 from eligible livestock producers impacted by drought who qualify for payments under the federally-funded Livestock Assistance Grant Program including Haskell County.

Applications are available on TDA's Web site at www.agr.state.tx.us; at all TDA offices; and at Texas Cooperative Extension and U.S. Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency county offices in the 216 eligible Texas counties.

Although local Cooperative Extension and FSA staff may have basic knowledge of the program, they will not have received specific training on the program, so producers with any questions are encouraged to call TDA at 1-800-TELL-TDA (1-800-835-5832).

The application must be postmarked by Nov. 13, 2006, and mailed to TDA headquarters in Austin addressed to: Livestock Assistance Grant Program, Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711. Incomplete applications and applications postmarked after Nov. 13 will not be considered.

To qualify for LAGP funds, a producer must meet all the following criteria:

•Must have suffered livestock forage production losses because of drought conditions from March 7 through Aug. 31, 2006 (eligibility period);

•Must have a livestock operation that suffered forage production losses in one or more of the 216 Texas counties classified as D3 Drought-Extreme or D4 Drought-Exceptional during the eligibility period; and

•Must have raised eligible livestock for commercial use as part of a farming operation during the eligibility period. Eligible livestock are adult beef cattle two years of age and older and sheep one year of age and older during the eligibility period. Livestock must have been owned by the producer for at least 30 days.

Forage production losses may include cost of lost forage, supplemental feeding costs, the costs incurred relocating livestock to new pastures, increased feed transportation costs and the cost of emergency water supplies.

Payments are limited to \$10,000 per producer, and the amount of compensation may not exceed the amount of forage production losses. Producers who apply in multiple states cannot receive more than \$10,000 in total compensation, and the same losses cannot be claimed in more than one state.

For general partnerships or joint ventures, payments will not exceed \$10,000 for each member of the partnership or joint venture.

Because of the anticipated number of applicants and the amount of available funds, payments will be limited and may only cover partial forage production losses incurred by each producer. Of the \$50 million USDA block grant for livestock assistance being distributed to 20 states, Texas' share was \$16.1 million.

Funds will be paid on a per head basis. Per head payment rates will be determined by the total number of livestock claimed by all eligible applicants and will differ for cattle and sheep based on standard animal units. The per head payment rate will be determined after all applications are received and processed.

Additional information about LAGP and the application process is available on TDA's Web site at www.agr.state.tx.us. Producers may also contact TDA's Governmental Affairs Division at 1-800-TELL-TDA (1-800-835-5832) or e-mail ga@agr.state.tx.us.

Letter to the Editor

Dear editor,

Halloween decorations are now up and ready for you kids to come and enjoy. Decorations will be up continuously through Halloween except when the winds are too high and we have to put them down.

You are welcome to get out and look, but as usual, be sure to hold an adult's hand. We don't want them to fall and hurt themselves.

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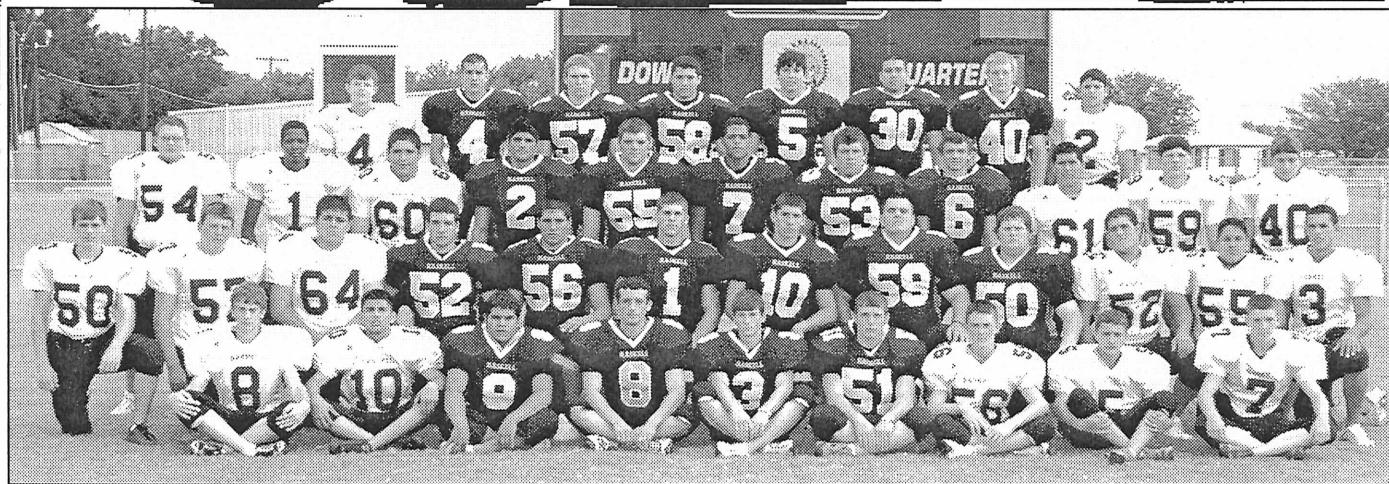


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2006 HASKELL INDIANS: front row, l-r, #8 JV Steven Fillmon, #10 JV Raul Villarreal, #9 V Gerardo Torres, #8 V Justin Rodriguez, #3 V Weston Rutkowski, #51 V Cody Wyrick, #56 JV Tyler Reese, #5 JV Tyler Rodriguez and #7 JV Ethan Frierson. Second row, #50 JV A.J. Benton, #57 JV Andrew Crall, #64 JV Lee Hernandez, #52 V Josh Kimmel, #56 V Scott Agraz, #1 V Matt Brown, #10 V Derek Agraz, #59 V Billy Lusk, #50 V Rylie Tatum, #52 JV Brett Siegfried, #55 D. J. Rodriguez, #3 JV Stephen Guevara. Third row,

#54 JV Cody McClemore, #1 JV E.J. Ned Jr., #60 JV Justin Amaro, #2 V Vicente Castillo, #55 V Gary Frierson, #7 V D.J. McCulloch, #53 V Clyde Frierson, #6 V Aaron Rodriguez, #61 JV Ruben Robledo, #59 JV Donald Morris, #40 JV Clint Hamilton. Back row, #4 JV James Williams, #4 V Anthony Hernandez, #57 V Randall Pace, #58 V Moses Munoz, #5 V Gregg Guzman, #30 V Josh Rodriguez, #40 V Travis Adams and #2 JV Austin Marshall.

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Commissioner's Court report

The Haskell County Commissioners' Court met Tues., Sept. 26 for a special meeting in the County Courthouse. Attending were Judge David Davis, Commissioners Johnny Scoggins, Tiffen Mayfield, Kenny Thompson, Bobby Smith and County Clerk Rhonda Moeller.

On a motion by Commissioner Scoggins, approval was given for paying of all bills presented to the Court, with the exception of the bill from Warren Cat for Precinct 1.

Commissioner Thompson moved to include the bill in the amount of \$2,200.00 from the Haskell Fire Department for the Thermal Imaging Camera, with \$1,700.00 to come out of Fire Truck Equipment, and \$500.00 out of the Sheriff's Seizure Fund. The motion carried.

Joel Fuessel, of Prepaid Legal Services met with the Court to discuss a benefit for County

employees concerning identity theft. Commissioner Thompson made a motion not to participate in this program. The motion was approved. On a motion by Commissioner Thompson, the Court approved the closing of the Courthouse on Columbus Day, Mon., Oct. 9.

Commissioner Mayfield moved to change the Oct. 9 Commissioners' Court meeting to Tues., Oct. 10. The motion was approved.

A motion by Commissioner Mayfield to put a storage van on the south side of the Sheriff's office was approved.

A motion by Commissioner Mayfield to do road repairs on CR 208 died for lack of a second.

In the matter of personnel, a motion by Commissioner Mayfield to hire Misti Rodela at the Experienced Citizens Center was not approved by the court in a unanimous

vote of 4 against.

A motion by Commissioner Thompson was approved to transfer several line item transfers in the budget. The meeting was adjourned.

In a special called meeting of the Commissioners' Court, Thurs., Sept. 21, the public hearing for the 2006-2007 budget was opened at 11:15. No members of the public were present for the hearing.

Commissioner Mayfield moved to adopt the 2006-2007 budget with the following changes being made: \$500.00 added to Jane Rowan's salary, a \$15,000.00 line item for the Experienced Citizens Center utilities added, and a \$14,000.00 line item added for HB 1117. The motion carried.

Approval was given to a motion by Commissioner Smith to set the following tax rate: R&B-.1153; FML-.1479; General-.5171 for a total tax rate of .7803.

The reappointment of Dr. Wayne Cadenhead as County Health Authority was approved on a motion by Commissioner Smith.

On a motion by Commissioner Thompson, the following were appointed as Resource Manager for Emergencies: 1, Commissioner Smith; 2, Commissioner Thompson; 3, Commissioner Mayfield. The meeting was adjourned.

Commissioner's Conference set Nov. 2

by Wes Utley
CEA-Ag/NR, Haskell Co.
County commissioners on the Texas Rolling Plains should make plans to attend the County Commissioners Court Conference Nov. 2 at the Texas A&M Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Vernon, said Galen Chandler, District Extension Administrator for Texas Cooperative Extension.

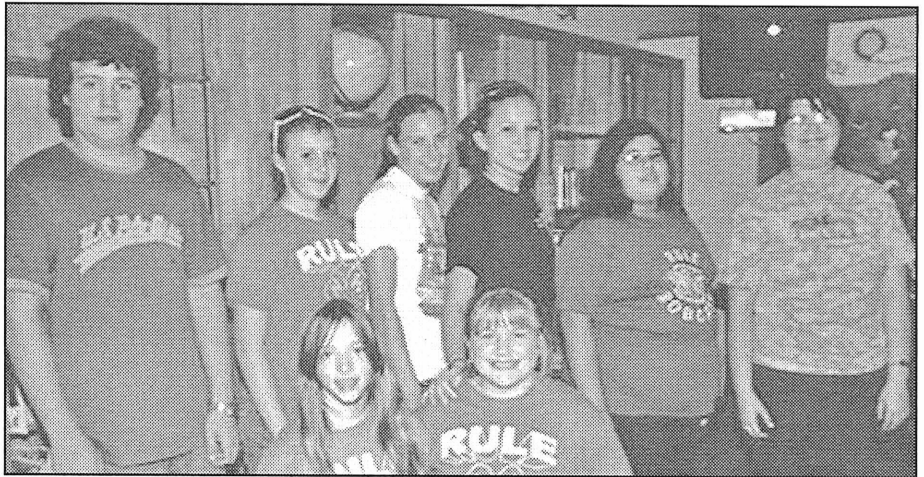
District 3 encompasses area counties including Haskell.

"This conference will provide a wealth of information for county commissioners," Chandler said.

The conference will begin at 8:15 a.m. Nov. 2, with registration, coffee and a chance to visit exhibits.

Conference topics include: No Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure Plans (EPA rule 40 CFR 112); Wind Energy—How Does it Affect Your County?; Pandemic Flu Planning; and Legislative Update Affecting Counties.

For more information, contact the Texas A&M University System Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Vernon at 940-552-9941 Ext. 226.



RULE 4-H CLUB OFFICERS—Officers elected during the Sept. 11 meeting to serve the Rule 4-H Club during 2006-07 are front row, l-r, Allison Petty, secretary; and Jenny Dudensing, reporter; back row, Cody Reece, treasurer; Stephanie Threet, recreation chairperson; Kate Rowan, vice president; Molly Dudensing, president; Celeste Caddell, membership chairperson; and Shelby Starr, refreshments chairperson. Not pictured is Zeb Petty, community service.



BACK TO SCHOOL MODELS—Nine members of the Rule 4-H Club modeled current styles for a Back to School Fashion Show recently at Wal-Mart in Stamford. Models are, back row, l-r, Jenny Dudensing, Stephanie Threet, Gabriel Baiza, Mina Banks, Breanna Riggins and Molly Dudensing; and front row, Sara Campbell, Samantha Lewis and Allison Petty.

Rule ISD releases honor rolls

Rule ISD has released the names of students listed on the A and A-B honor rolls for the first six weeks of school. Included are:

First grade: A: Alexandria Martinez, Christina Moore, Alexandra Roberts and Thomas Short; A-B: Pabla Sandoval.

Second grade: A: America Shelton; A-B: Alysia Hollabough, Ian Mauro, Austin Redden, Abel Sandoval and Hunter Threet.

Third grade: A: Haley Macias and Cody Percell; A-B: Sarah Campbell, Kylie Deville, Samantha Lewis, Kade Lowack and Caleb Stowe.

Fourth grade: A: Ryan Pace; A-B: Jonah Caddell, Keelie Deville, Christina Herrera and Stormie Hollabaugh.

Fifth grade: A-B: Rebecca Foreman, Chris Lewis and Charlie Thomison.

Sixth grade: A: Josh Quintero; A-B, Celeste Caddell, Travis Cox, Rodney Foreman, Clay Morrow, Daniel Turner and Darryl Williams.

Eighth grade: A: Jenny Dudensing; A-B: Samantha Benavides, Allison Petty, Breanna

Riggins, Brittany Roberts, Sydney Saucedo, Donna Thomas, Stephanie Threet and Shalissa Vanderbilt.

Ninth grade: A: Nick Johnson and Joseph Turner; A-B: Mina Banks, Victoria Benavides, Sonya Camacho, Lorena Diaz and Kate Rowan.

Tenth grade: A: Molly Dudensing, Marty Hall, Andrew Hertel, Morgan Lisle and Kelsie Miller; A-B: Steven Anderson, Tate Clark, Adam Hollingsworth, Zeb Petty and Rance Sorley.

Eleventh grade: A: Shawna Favor;

A-B: Jessie Magallon, Lauren Messenger, Stephen Pace, Callie Papasan, Kiel Rowan, Kyle Simpson, Jay T. Spitzer, Adam Vasquez and James Wolfe.

Twelfth grade: A: Brady Baitz, Mason Bishop, Brittnee Brannan, Austin Flores, Cory Flores, D.J. Hall, Kortney Kupatt and Kendra Scheets; A-B: Tye Clark, Taylor Falkner, Kade Kittley, Will Kittley, Julian Menchaca, Mathew Turner and Kimberly Williams.

Richards has new book

Haskell writer, Hyrum E. Richards' newest book, *Trade Horses for Wives*, was released for sale in bookstores in September by Publish America, a traditional publishing company whose primary goal is to encourage and promote the works of new writers.

It is the story of Charlie McCain and Maggie Outside, two individuals from different worlds, who burn the fires of intolerance and racism in their hearts. When they find themselves in each other's presence by happenstance, they conquer the

barriers of intolerance and fall in love. New challenges arise when they try to raise a mixed blood family in a small, closely knit, and unabashedly bigoted Wyoming community.

Richards grew up on a small ranch in southern Alberta, Canada. He has been an oil field geologist, a high school teacher, and for the concluding twenty-four years of his professional career, a practicing psychologist. Retired since 1992, he lives in Haskell with his wife Jean, spending his time golfing, fishing and writing.



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TAX PLANNING

Written By
Gerald Rodgers, CPA



THE "KIDDIE TAX" RULES HAVE CHANGED

Shifting income from higher tax bracket parents to lower tax bracket kids has become more difficult with the recent changes to the so-called "kiddie tax" rules.

Under the old rules, children under the age of 14 could have received as much as \$850 in tax-free investment income in 2006. The child wouldn't have to pay taxes on interest, dividends, or capital gains (either short or long-term) up to this amount. Additionally, the child would have to pay taxes on the next \$850, but at a lower tax rate than his or her parents. Once investment income exceeded \$1,700, the child would be required to pay taxes at the parents' highest tax rate.

Under the new rules, the first \$850 of investment income remains untaxed, and the next \$850 is taxed at the kid's rate. But more than \$1,700 in investment income for a child under age 18 will be taxed at the higher parents' rate. Essentially, the law extends the kiddie tax rules an additional four years to age 18. Significantly, these new rules took effect in January of this year. As under the old rules, earned income from wages is not subject to the kiddie tax.




With the advent of the new rules, some of the prior methods of shifting income to children, such as the use of custodial accounts and gifting appreciated stock, become much less appealing. Instead, consider alternative methods of investing for the kids, such as tax-free municipal bonds or Series EE savings bonds. Don't overlook investing in growth stocks paying low dividends. The stock can be sold after the child turns 18. Direct investments into education savings accounts (called "529 Plans") also avoid the kiddie tax.

Planning for an reporting the kiddie tax is complicated. For assistance, give us a call.

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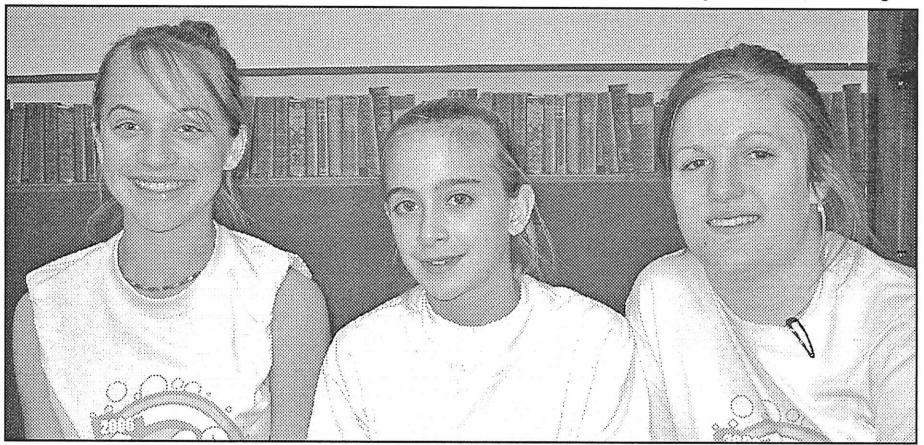
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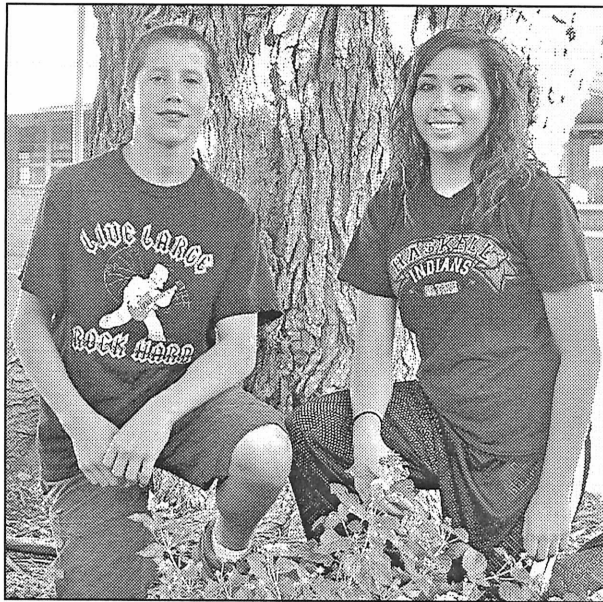
Rochester exes are asked to email both physical and email addresses to Sandra Fry at sfryrochester@yahoo.com. Pictures for a presentation for the Rochester 100th anniversary and homecoming weekend to be held Oct. 13-14 are also needed.

Rochester parties

Rochester classes of '61-'64 and anyone who would like to come will meet at 6:30 Sat., Oct. 14 at the home of Dolan and Sharon Sanderson Brinson on Cemetery Road in the former home of Lois and Cracker Ballard. The classes of '54-'55 and '57 will meet Sat., Oct. 14 at the home of Ray and Betty Ruth Russell White at 406 Carothers, next to the storage buildings on Main Street.



STUDENT COUNCIL—Members of the Rochester Junior High Student Council are l-r, Codi Beth Foster, Cheslee Hearn and Sara Weise.



CLASS FAVORITES—Named eighth grade class favorites at Rochester Junior High this year are, l-r, Christian Myers and Clarissa Walker.

USDA announces rental payments

Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns announced that USDA is issuing \$1.8 billion in Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) rental payments to participating producers for fiscal year 2007. The payments allow producers to earn an average of \$4,143 per farm enrolled in the program.

"The Conservation Reserve Program works to conserve and preserve the soil, water and wildlife resources of our nation," said Johanns. "These payments represent an investment in the nation's land that will pay dividends in the form of a cleaner environment today and for future generations."

Producers holding about 739,000 contracts on 425,000 farms will receive an average of \$48.88 per acre. The number of contracts is higher than the number of farms because producers may have multiple contracts on a single farm.

Included in the totals are 331,000 contracts (3.6 million acres) for

CRP's continuous sign-up and 408,000 contracts (32.4 million acres) for general sign-up. Under continuous sign-up, producers may enroll high priority conservation practices such as filter strips and riparian buffers at any time without competition.

The announcement does not include rental payments for 1 million acres recently enrolled under CRP general sign-up 33, held from March 27 to April 28, 2006. Rental payments for this spring's general sign-up acreage will be issued starting in October 2007.

Currently, enrollment stands at more than 36 million acres, making CRP the largest public-private partnership for conservation and wildlife habitat in the United States. This voluntary program helps agricultural producers safeguard environmentally sensitive land. Producers enroll in CRP and plant long-term, resource-conserving covers to improve water quality,

control soil erosion and enhance habitats for waterfowl and wildlife. In return, USDA provides producers with rental payments. CRP contract duration is from 10 to 15 years.

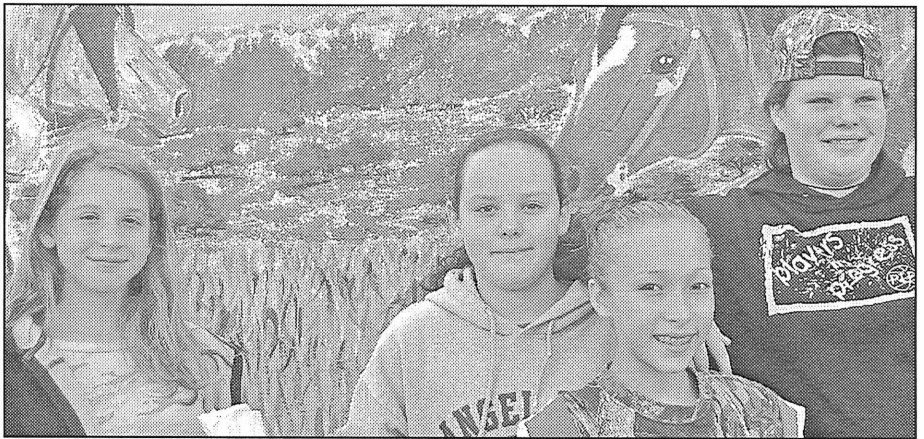
USDA issues other CRP payments throughout the year. These payments include a 50 percent expense reimbursement for establishing cover as well as incentive payments for enrolling eligible high priority conservation practices. The fiscal year 2007 projections for these payments are \$116 million for expense reimbursements and \$79 million for incentive payments.

The table, located at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/>, lists acreage enrollments by state, number of contracts, number of farms, acres enrolled and CRP projected rental payments for fiscal year 2007.

For more information on CRP producers should contact their local FSA office or visit FSA's Web site at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov>.



CLASS OFFICERS—Serving the Rochester Junior High eighth grade class as officers this year are, l-r, Codi Foster, Angel Navarette, Sara Weise and Angelica Gonzalez.



ROCHESTER VISITORS—These Rochester Junior High students recently visited in downtown Rochester with local business owners and delivered homecoming flyers. Helping out were l-r, Krista McLemore, Falysha Walker, Sasha Walker and Jasmine Klose.

NASS to assess programs

How are farmers' and ranchers' conservation practices improving water, soil and air quality and enhancing wildlife habitat across the country? To help answer this question, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) will conduct the Conservation Effects Assessment Project (CEAP) mid-September through mid-December.

"Producers' participation in CEAP will be especially critical this year as we gear up for the 2007 Farm Bill," said David S. Abbe, director of the NASS Texas Field Office. "CEAP provides USDA, policymakers and the public with a concrete measure of the benefits

achieved through the federal investment in agricultural conservation programs."

Selected producers will be asked for information about their farming activities, land management practices and participation in USDA conservation programs. The information gathered through CEAP will be combined with data from other sources to create a complete picture of environmental and conservation management conditions across the United States.

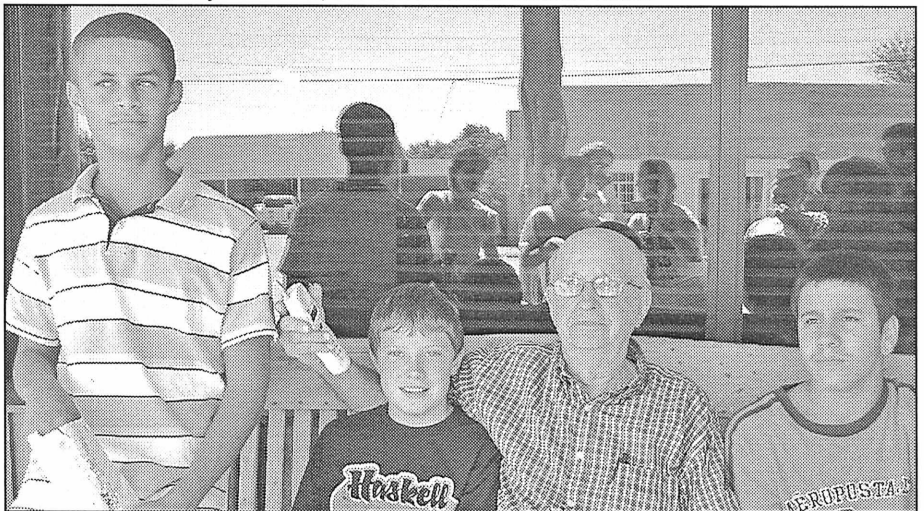
"By participating in CEAP, farmers and ranchers have an opportunity to ensure that conservation programs will continue to keep America's working lands

healthy and productive into the future," Abbe said.

Abbe emphasized that, as is the case with all NASS surveys, CEAP participants can be assured that the confidentiality of their responses is protected by law. "NASS strictly safeguards the privacy of all respondents and publishes only state- and national level data, ensuring that no individual producer or operation can be identified," he said.

For more information about CEAP and other surveys conducted by NASS, contact the Texas Field Office at 800-626-3142.

Find agricultural statistics for your county, state and the nation at www.nass.usda.gov.



JUNIOR HIGH VISITS—Rochester Junior High computer classes visited downtown businesses and practiced their digital photo skills Fri., Sept. 29. Students new to the campus were oriented by students already familiar with Rochester. Bob Easterling, downtown businessman, welcomes students, l-r, Marcell Lewis, Austin Nanny and Tony Trevino.

Cattle Market Report

The market at the Haskell Livestock Auction was on a run of 1,034 head of cattle at its sale on Sat., Sept. 30, according to B.D. Rainey, reporter.

Cows, steady. Stockers \$1-2 lower. Feeders \$1-2 lower. Bred cows and pairs, steady to \$50 higher.

Cows: fat, .42-.46; cutters, .41-.47; canners, .35-.40.

Bulls: bologna, .52-.58, feeders, .60-.71, utility, .42-.52.

Steers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.60-1.80; 300-400 lbs., 1.30-1.55; 400-500 lbs., 1.25-1.35; 500-600 lbs., 1.10-1.23; 600-700 lbs., 1.06-1.18; 700-800 lbs., .98-1.10; 800-up lbs., .93-1.01.

Heifers: medium and large frame No. 1 200-300 lbs., 1.40-1.65; 300-400 lbs., 1.21-1.35; 400-500 lbs., 1.10-1.27; 500-600 lbs., 1.03-1.18; 600-up lbs., .95-1.05.

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Oct. 9-13 Breakfast

Juice and milk are served daily on the breakfast menu.
Monday: No school
Tuesday: Glazed French toast
Wednesday: Cereal, cheese-its
Thursday: Breakfast on a stick
Friday: Bacon, egg burrito

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: No school
Tuesday: Popcorn chicken, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, lemon pudding
Wednesday: Beef and vegetable stew, grilled cheese sandwich, apple wedges
Thursday: Chicken quesadillas, salsa, chips, queso, garden salad, pinto beans, Royal brownie
Friday: Hamburger, lettuce, tomato, pickle, french fries, strawberry or raspberry Gogurt

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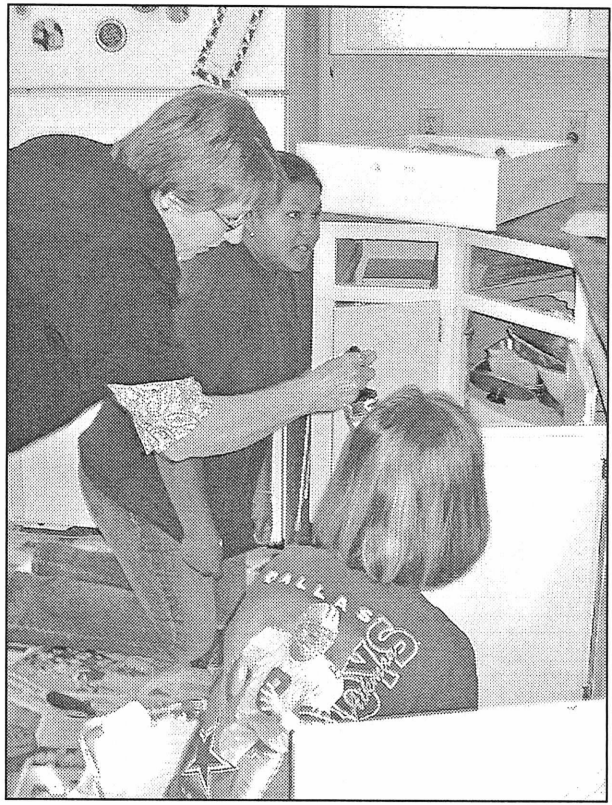
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SPRUCING UP—Karen Smart's classes have been repainting the cabinets and making new curtains for the homemaking room at Rochester Junior High School in preparation for the Rochester centennial and homecoming set Oct. 13-14. The room will be used for the cheerleader, twirler and drum major breakfast. Painting the cabinets are I-r, Karen Smart, Irma DeLeon and Beth Foley.

This Week's Devotional Message:



GOD GIVE US THE STRENGTH TO DO HIS BIDDING

There was many a thing you attempted to do,
Then discovered it couldn't be done;
Like a worthless vocation you tried to pursue,
Or some foolish adventure for fun.
With your mission abandoned, in only one way
could you learn it was not in accord

With your temple of worship, where lessons convey
That your life's in the hands of the Lord.
Let's obey His commands and remember at length
It will help us in getting along.
If we heed His advice He will give us the strength
That we need, and we'll never go wrong.

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 Garrison, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
107 N. Ave. F, Haskell
 - Church of God**
Bruce Ray, pastor
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7:00 p.m.
714 North First East, 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**
Rev. Daniel Echols, 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**
Jim Yates, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
510 N. Ave. E, Haskell
 - First Presbyterian Church**
Kelly Pigott, interim 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**
Rev. Tom Collins, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.
908 N. Ave. A, Haskell

- Greater Independent Baptist Church**
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**
Greg Gasaway, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:55 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 p.m.
301 N. Ave. E, Haskell
- Church in the Wind**
C.C. Curran, pastor
Sun. fellowship 5 p.m. Church 5:30 p.m.
Tues. Bible Class 7:30 p.m.
203 S. 1st East, Haskell
- Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church**
Dr. Larry Nail, pastor
Sun. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7 p.m.
1600 N. First St., 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 Willis, minister
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6 p.m.
West on Main Street, Rochester
 - First Baptist Church**
Fred Garvin, pastor
Sun. 11:00 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. 6:00 p.m.
500 Main, Rochester
 - Union Chapel Baptist Church**
Clovis Dever
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**
Rev. Daniel Echols, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
Rochester
- SAGERTON**
- Sagerton Methodist Church**
Terry O'Rear, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 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**
Terry O'Rear, pastor
Sun. Morn. Worship 8:30 a.m.
1000 Union Ave., Rule

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

- PAINT CREEK**
- Sweet Home Baptist Church**
Larry Neal, pastor
Sun. Morn. 11 a.m., 5 p.m.; Wed. 5 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

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

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

Paint Creek School Menu

Oct. 9-13 Breakfast

Juice and milk are served daily.
Monday: Cereal or toast
Tuesday: Pancakes
Wednesday: Biscuits, gravy
Thursday: Breakfast burritos
Friday: Cinnamon rolls or donuts

Lunch

Milk is served daily.
Monday: Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, gravy, peas, rolls, chocolate

cake
Tuesday: Tacos, lettuce, tomatoes, cheese, refried beans, corn, salsa, fruit cups
Wednesday: Turkey, dressing, green beans, sweet potatoes, rolls, apple crisp
Thursday: Mac and cheese, broccoli, salad, rolls, fruit
Friday: Turkey or ham sandwiches, potato soup, lettuce, tomatoes, cheese, pickles, chips, applesauce cake

ECC Calendar and Menu

- Mon., Oct. 9**
Lunch—Hamburger steak, onions, brown gravy, green beans, cream potatoes, bread slice, orange cake, milk, tea, or coffee
 - Wed., Oct. 11**
Lunch—Sloppy Joe on bun, pinto beans, potato salad, onions, pickles, lemon cake, milk, tea, or coffee
 - Fri., Oct. 13**
Lunch—Beef stew, sliced onions, pickles, pimento or tuna sandwiches, jello, cookies, milk, tea, or coffee
- Announcements begin at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch.

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HASKELL CISD is currently accepting bids for electrical wiring on the elementary and high school campuses. Bids need to be turned in to the Haskell CISD administration office by 4:00 p.m., Oct. 14, 2006. Contact Mr. Ted Bedwell at 940-864-2602 for additional information. Haskell CISD reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. 39-40c

Our Public Water System ID# is 1040004. 40c

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Sealed bids for the construction of a welded steel ground storage tank will be received by the North Central Texas Municipal Water Authority, until noon, Oct. 24, 2006, at the NCTMWA Office, 135 North Munday Avenue, Munday, Texas and then publicly opened and read aloud. Bids will be received for three different sized tanks. NCTMWA will build only one tank and the tank will have a capacity of either 100,000 gallons, 300,000 gallons or 500,000 gallons. The contractor may bid one, two, or all three sizes. The tank contract consists of the construction of one

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Paint Creek Independent School District will hold a public hearing to discuss the "Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas" at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, October 23, 2006 at the Library building, 4485 FM 600, Haskell, Texas 79521. 40c

NOTICE TO THE CITIZENS OF WEINERT
The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) has notified the Haskell County Water District #1 water system that the drinking water being supplied to customers had exceeded the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for Nitrate. The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has established the MCL for Nitrate at 10 mg/L, and has determined that it is a health concern at levels above the MCL. Analysis of drinking water in your community for Nitrate indicates a level of 19.4 mg/L.

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You do not need to use an alternative water supply. However, if you have health concerns, you may want to talk to your doctor to get more information about how this may affect you.

At the present time we are currently looking into ways to correct this problem. If you are pregnant or have an infant under six months including in this public water system as a customer, we have made arrangements with local grocery store in Haskell (Modern Way) so that you may get bottled water at the City of Weinert's expense.

If you have any questions or would like to know if you are currently being served as a customer of this public water system please feel free to call or contact the City Secretary Robert Horan, c/o City of Weinert, Box 248, Weinert, Texas 76388 at 940-673-8223.

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welded ground storage tank including the crushed base subgrade, concrete ring, foundation, coating, sterilization and testing.

The contract documents may be examined at the following locations: North Central Texas Municipal Water Authority, 135 N. Munday Avenue, Munday, Texas or Jacob & Martin, Ltd., 3465 Curry Lane, Abilene, Texas.

Bids will not be received from contractors who have not obtained original plans and specifications from Jacob & Martin. Bids shall be submitted on original documents and the entire specification book must be returned with bid. No faces or copies of bids sheets will be accepted.

Copies of the contract documents may be obtained at the office of Jacob & Martin, Ltd., located at 3465 Curry Lane, Abilene, Texas 79606 325-695-1070 upon payment of \$40.00 for plans and specifications, non refundable.

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By: Joe Clonts, President 40-41c

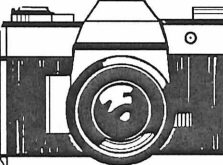
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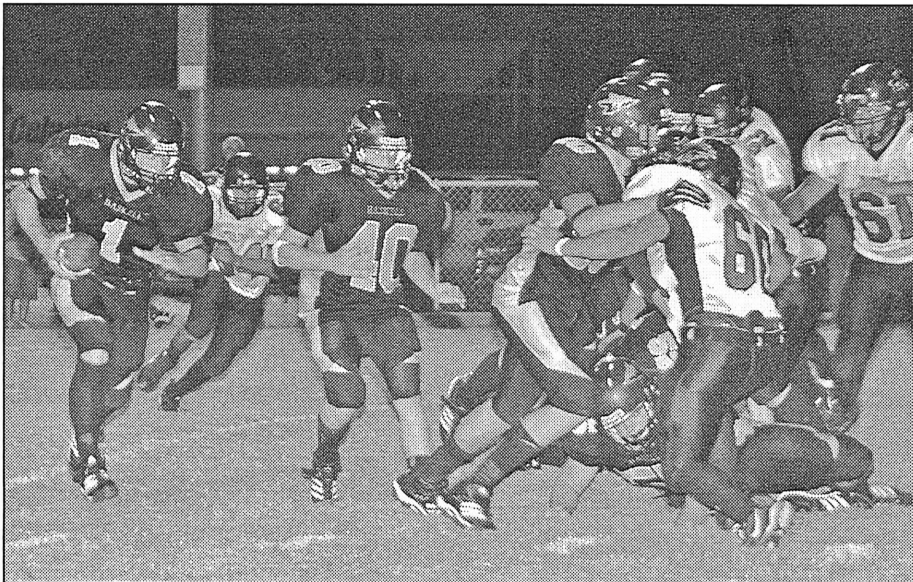
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YARDAGE GAINER—Haskell QB Matt Brown #1, makes yardage in the District 5AA game with the Colorado City Wolves Fri., Sept. 29. He totaled 16 carries for 72 yards and one TD.



RUNNING BACK INDIAN—Haskell's running back, Travis Adams #40, carries the ball in one of his 17 rushes for 157 yards made in the district game with the Wolves of Colorado City.

Photo by Bill Blankenship



VICTORIA ARMENTA

In the Service

PV2 Victoria Armenta of the 1st PLT Warlords, D Company 3-60 Division, has completed boot camp training with the U.S. Army in Fort Jackson, South Carolina. She is serving in Maryland, awaiting new orders in December.

Armenta is the daughter of Maria Martinez of Haskell. She has a brother, Raymond Cuellar, and a sister, Mona Cuellar, both of Haskell.

Recipes, pictures needed for cookbook

Rolling Plains Correction Facility will publish a cookbook named "A Haskell County Christmas Cookbook." To submit holiday recipes or pictures of days gone by in Haskell County to Susan Cockerell at the Courthouse in Haskell, Karen Smart at the school in Rochester, Billie Walker in O'Brien, Carla Thornton at Rule City Hall or Brenda Sanders at Weinert Gin.

All recipes and photos must be received by Oct. 31. Profits will benefit the Committee to Help Haskell County.

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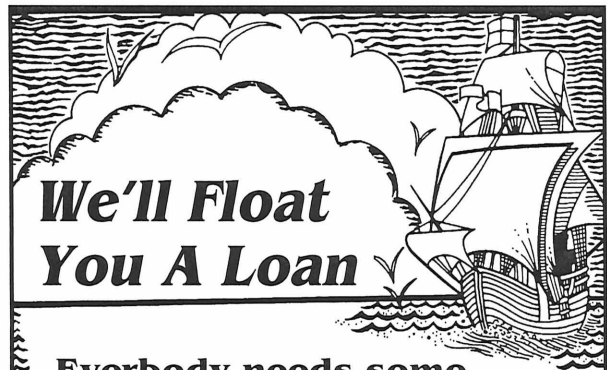
bicycles, golf carts, pedestrians—all are welcome as Rochester is honored in this once in a life-time celebration. Let your imagination be your guide or let freedom ring in expressing patriotic appreciation for liberty that made growing up in Rochester a unique American experience. Representation is encouraged from classes, organizations, churches, businesses and individuals—celebrating all of the things that have shaped our lives and made us who we are.

Recognition will be given in

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